Separated and Shared Effects in Higher-Order Languages

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A fundamental property when reasoning about randomized programs is *probabilistic independence*, which states that two random quantities are entirely uncorrelated. By viewing independence as a probabilistic version of separation, recent works have developed separation logics capturing independence for probabilistic imperative programs. However, it is not clear how to capture independence in functional, higher-order programs.

In this work, we propose two higher-order languages that can reason about sharing and separation in effectful programs. Our first language $\lambda_{\rm INI}$ has a linear type system and probabilistic semantics, where the two product types capture independent and possibly-dependent pairs. Our second language $\lambda_{\rm INI}^2$ is a two-level, stratified language, inspired by Benton's linear-non-linear (LNL) calculus. We motivate this language with a probabilistic model, but we also provide a general categorical semantics and exhibit a range of concrete models beyond probabilistic programming. We prove soundness theorems for all of our languages; our general soundness theorem for our categorical models of $\lambda_{\rm INI}^2$ uses a categorical gluing construction.

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1 INTRODUCTION

Probabilistic semantics have been undergoing a renaissance in the last decade, due to the rise in popularity of applications in machine learning, security and privacy, and more. Recent work has proposed a variety of semantics for probabilistic programming languages, each capturing different kinds of probabilistic behavior. At the same time, these advances in semantics enable a growing collection of verification methods and tools for reasoning about probabilistic programs.

Reasoning About Independence. In probabilistic programming languages, independence is a fundamental property which is baked into the primitives: sampling commands usually guarantee that new samples are independent from previously sampled values. In verification, independence is used to simplify reasoning about programs: if two parts of a program produce independent distributions, their joint distribution will only depend on their individual probabilities—there are no unexpected probabilistic interaction between the two parts. Independence can also be an interesting property to verify; for instance, in cryptographic protocols, basic security properties can be stated in terms of independence [Barthe et al. 2019].

There are a few aspects of probabilistic independence that makes it approachable from a programming languages and formal methods perspective. For instance, in probabilistic programs, probabilistic independence is often preserved under local operations: if we have functions $f, g : \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{N}$ and independent, random inputs $x, y : \mathbb{N}$, then f(x) and g(y) will be independent as well. Furthermore, many common operations in programming languages, such as pairing, also preserve independence. Taking advantage of these compositional properties, prior work has developed program logics that

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can about independence in the context of a first-order, imperative language [Barthe et al. 2019]. Unfortunately, it is unclear how to capture independence in higher-order languages.

Our Work: Higher-Order Languages for Probabilistic Independence. In this work, we use a resource interpretation of probabilistic samples to establish independence: if two computations use disjoint resources (i.e., probabilistic samples), then they produce independent random quantities. Our perspective yields two linear, higher-order languages that can reason about probabilistic independence. Both languages have a product type constructor \otimes that enforces independence, in the sense that closed programs of type $\mathbb{N} \otimes \mathbb{N}$ should be denoted by independent distributions.

Our first language λ_{INI} is an linear λ -calculus with two product types: the \otimes type constructor enforces that the components of the pair do not share any resources, while the \times type constructor allows the components to share resources. Intuitively, \otimes captures pairs of independent values, while \times captures pairs of general, possibly-dependent values. We give a denotational semantics to λ_{INI} and prove its soundness theorem: the product \otimes ensures probabilistic independence.

An unfortunate property of λ_{INI} is that it suffers from some expressivity issues, and extending it with sum types breaks the soundness property. In order to mitigate these issues, we define a richer, two-level language λ_{INI}^2 , where the two product types of λ_{INI} are restricted to different layers. Intuitively, one layer allows computations that share randomness, while the other layer prevents computations from sharing randomness. To enable the layers to interact, the independent language has a modality that allows to soundly import programs written in the shared language. Furthermore, we show that the stratified design of λ_{INI}^2 enables two different kinds of sum types: a "shared" sum in the sharing layer, and a "separated" in the independent layer. We give a denotational semantics for the λ_{INI}^2 , prove soundness, and give translations of two fragments of λ_{INI} into λ_{INI}^2 .

Additional Models. We also explore how the reasoning principles enforced by λ_{INI}^2 can also be applied to other domains. In order to accommodate these other applications, we propose a categorical semantics for λ_{INI}^2 , along with a general the soundness theorem of our type system. In Section 5.2, we present examples showing how our semantics can be readily applied to existing semantics of effectful programming languages.

- Linear logic. Models of linear logic have been used to give semantics to probabilistic languages with discrete and continuous sampling [Danos and Ehrhard 2011; Ehrhard et al. 2017]. We show that these categories, paired with the category of Markov kernels, yield models for our λ_{INI}^2 . Our soundness theorem continues to guarantee probabilistic independence; as far as we know, our method is the first to ensure probabilistic independence in these models.
- **Distributed programming.** Next, we develop a relational model of our language and describe an application in distributed programming. In this model, programs in our two-level language describe the implementation of multiple agents, but the program does not specify where computations should be executed. Our soundness theorem shows that programs of type $\tau_1 \otimes \tau_2$ can be factored as two local programs, i.e., we can compile the global program into local programs that can execute independently, without communication across machines. This soundness property is reminiscent of projection properties in choreographic languages [Montesi 2014].
- Name generation. Programming languages with name generation include a primitive that generates a fresh identifier. In some contexts, it is important to control when and how many times a name is generated. For instance, in cryptographic applications, reusing a *nonce* value ("number once") may result in a security bug in the protocol. We define a model of our language based on name generation. In this context, our soundness theorem says that the type ⊗ enforces disjointness of the names used in each component.

- **Commutative effects.** We generalize the name generation and finite distribution models by noting that they are both example of monadic semantics of commutative effects. Under a few assumptions, every commutative monad gives rise to a model of our language by using categories of algebras for this monad.
- Bunched and separation logics. A long line of work uses *bunched logics* to reason about sharing and separation [O'Hearn and Pym 1999; O'Hearn et al. 2001]; however, these works do not handle effectful programs. We show that models of affine bunched logics are also models λ_{INI}^2 , but not vice-versa. Thus, λ_{INI}^2 provides a less restrictive model to reason about sharing and separation of resources in programs. We illustrate this by revisiting Reynolds' syntactic control of interference (SCI) language, and show that since its original model is also a model to our language, there is a sound translation of our language into his.

The diversity of models suggests that λ_{INI}^2 is a suitable framework to reason about separation and sharing in effectful higher-order programs.

Outline. After reviewing mathematical preliminaries (§2), we present our main contributions:

- First, we define a linear, higher-order probabilistic λ -calculus called λ_{INI} , with types that can capture probabilistic independence and dependence. We give a denotational semantics of our language and prove that \otimes captures probabilistic independence (§3).
- Next, we define a two-level, higher-order probabilistic λ -calculus called λ_{INI}^2 . This language combines a independent fragment and a sharing fragment with two distinct sum types: an independent sum, and a sharing sum. We give a probabilistic semantics and prove that \otimes captures probabilistic independence; we also embed two fragments of λ_{INI} into λ_{INI}^2 (§4).
- Abstracting away from the probabilistic case, we propose a general categorical semantics for λ²_{INI}. Our semantics can be seen as a generalization of Benton's linear/non-linear (LNL) model for linear logic [Benton 1994] (§5.1).
- We present a range of models for λ_{INI}^2 , including models inspired by probabilistic models of linear logic, choreographies and distributed programming, commutative effects, name generation, and bunched logics. We show that the soundness property of our type system ensures natural notions of independence in each of these models (§5.2).
- Finally, we prove a general soundness theorem for our categorical models, showing that \otimes enforces more general independence property: every program of type $\tau_1 \otimes \tau_2$ can be factored as two programs t_1 and t_2 of types τ_1 and τ_2 , respectively. Our proof relies on a categorical gluing argument (§6).

We survey related work in (§7), and conclude in (§8).

2 BACKGROUND

2.1 Monads and their algebras

In order to formalize our semantics we will use some basic concepts from category theory, including functors, products, coproducts, Cartesian closed categories, and symmetric monoidal closed categories (SMCC). The interested reader to can read [Leinster 2014; Mac Lane 2013] for good introductions to the subject.

Monads. We start by defining monads. A monad over a category C is a triple (T, μ, η) such that $T : C \to C$ is a functor, $\mu_A : T^2A \to TA$ and $\eta_A : A \to TA$ are natural transformations such that $\mu_A \circ \mu_{TA} = \mu_A \circ T\mu_A$, $id_A = \mu_A \circ T\eta_A$ and $id_A = \mu_A \circ \eta_{TA}$.

Another useful, and equivalent, presentation of monads requires a natural transformation η_A and a lifting operation $(-)^* : C(A, TB) \rightarrow C(TA, TB)$ such that objects from C and morphisms $A \rightarrow TB$ form a category, usually referred to as Kleisli category C_T . This category has the same objects as C,

and has $Hom_{C_T}(A, B) = Hom_C(A, TB)$. Following seminal work by [Moggi 1991], Kleisli categories are frequently used to give semantics to effectful programming languages.

Monad algebras. Given a monad T, a T-algebra is a pair $(A, f : TA \to A)$ such that $id_A = f \circ \eta_A$ and $f \circ \mu_A = f \circ Tf$. A T-algebra morphism $h : (A, f) \to (B, g)$ is a C morphism $h : A \to B$ such that $g \circ Th = h \circ f$. The T-algebras and their morphisms form a category \mathbb{C}^T , called the Eilenberg-Moore category.

The Kleisli category C_T and the Eilenberg-Moore category C^T are deeply connected. Indeed, for every C object *A*, the object *TA* can be equipped with a canonical *T*-algebra morphism given by μ_A . Such algebras are called *free*. More generally, we have:

Theorem 2.1 ([Borceux 1994]). There is a full and faithful functor $\iota : C_T \to C^T$.

2.2 Probability Theory

Distributions over discrete sets can be directly modeled as functions $\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ such that its sum is equal to 1. However, when dealing with continuous sets such as the real line, we need concepts from measure theory to properly define probability distributions.

Measures and measurable spaces. A measurable space combines a set with a collection of subsets, describing the subsets that can be assigned a well-defined measure or probability.

Definition 2.2. Given a set X, a σ -algebra $\Sigma_X \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$ is a set of subsets such that (i) $X \in \Sigma_X$, and (ii) Σ_X is closed complementation and countable union. A measurable space is a pair (X, Σ_X) , where X is a set and Σ_X is a σ -algebra.

A measurable function between measurable spaces (X, Σ_X) and (Y, Σ_Y) is a function $f : X \to Y$ such that for every $A \in \Sigma_Y$, $f^{-1}(A) \in \Sigma_X$, where f^{-1} is the inverse image function. Measurable spaces and measurable functions form a category **Meas**.

Definition 2.3. A probability measure is a function $\mu_X : \Sigma_X \to [0, 1]$ such that: (i) $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$, (ii) $\mu(X) = 1$, and $\mu(\bigcup A_i) = \sum_i \mu(A_i)$.

The Giry Monad. The set $\mathcal{G}(X)$ of probability distributions over a measurable set *X* can be equipped with a σ -algebra:

Theorem 2.4. The pair $(\mathcal{G}(X), \Sigma_{\mathcal{G}(X)})$ is a measurable set, where $\Sigma_{\mathcal{G}(X)}$ is the smallest σ -algebra such that the functions $ev_A : \mathcal{G}(X) \to [0, 1]$ are measurable for every measurable set $A \in \Sigma_X$.

Furthermore, \mathcal{G} can be given a monad structure on **Meas**, called the Giry monad. The unit is $\eta(a) = \delta_a$, where $\delta_x(A) = 1$ if $x \in A$ and 0 otherwise, usually referred to as Dirac delta distribution. Given $f : A \to \mathcal{G}(B)$ we define $f^*(\mu) = \int_A f \, d\mu$.

This monad is often used to give semantics to probabilistic programs. Indeed, Kleisli arrows $A \rightarrow MB$ are in exact correspondence with Markov kernels.

Definition 2.5. A Markov kernel between measurable spaces (X, Σ_X) and (Y, Σ_Y) is a function $f : X \times \Sigma_Y \to [0, 1]$ such that:

- For every $x \in X$, f(x, -) is a probability distribution.
- For every $B \in \Sigma_Y$, f(-, B) is a measurable function.

A simpler probability monad can be defined for Set. Given a set *X*, we define *DX* as the set of functions $\mu : X \to [0, 1]$ which is non zero in a finite set (finite support) and $\sum_{x \in supp(\mu)} \mu(x) = 1$. It is also possible to show that this construction is monadic, replacing integrals by sums in the operations above.

Marginals and probabilistic independence. We will need some constructions on distributions and measures over products.

Definition 2.6. Given a distribution μ over $X \times Y$, its marginal μ_X is the distribution over X defined by $\mu_X(A) = \int_Y d\mu(A, -)$. Intuitively, this is the distribution obtained by sampling from μ and projecting its first component. The other marginal distribution μ_Y is defined similarly.

In the discrete case, the marginal is given by a sum: the first marginal is $\mu_X(x) = \sum_{y \in Y} \mu(x, y)$, and the second marginal μ_Y is similar.

Definition 2.7. A probability measure μ over a product $A \times B$ is said to be probabilistically *independent* if it can be factored by its marginals μ_A and μ_B , i.e., $\mu(X, Y) = \mu_A(X) \cdot \mu_B(Y), X \in \Sigma_A$ and $Y \in \Sigma_B$.

In the discrete case, probabilistic independence can be defined more simply: a distribution μ over $A \times B$ is probabilistically independent if $\mu_A(x) \cdot \mu_B(y) = \mu(x, y)$ for every $x \in A$ and $y \in B$.

3 A LINEAR LANGUAGE FOR INDEPENDENCE

3.1 Independence Through Linearity

In many probabilistic programs, independent quantities are initially generated through sampling instructions. Then, a simple way to reason about independence of a pair of random expressions is to analyze which sources of randomness each component uses: if the two expressions use distinct sources of randomness, then they are independent; otherwise, they are possibly-dependent.

For instance, consider a simply typed first-order call-by-value language with a primitive \vdash coin : \mathbb{B} that flips a fair coin. The program

let
$$x = coin$$
 in let $y = coin$ in (x, y)

flips two fair coins and pairs the results. This program will produce a probabilistically independent distribution, since x and y are distinct sources of randomness. On the other hand, the program

let
$$x = coin in (x, x)$$

does not produce an independent distribution: the two components are always equal, and hence perfectly correlated. These principles resemble the properties enforced by substructural type systems, which control when resources can be shared and when they must be disjoint. To investigate this idea, we develop a language $\lambda_{\rm INI}$ with a linear type system that can reason about probabilistic independence.

3.2 Introducing the Language λ_{INI}

Syntax. Figure 1 presents the syntax of types and terms. Along with base types (\mathbb{B}), there are two product types: × is the possibly-dependent product, while \otimes is the independent product. The language is higher-order, so there is a linear arrow type. The corresponding term syntax is fairly standard. We have variables, numeric constants, and primitive distributions (coin). The two kinds of products can be created from two kinds of pairs, and eliminated using projection and let-binding, respectively. Finally, we have the usual λ -abstraction and application. Our examples use the standard syntactic sugar let x = t in $u \triangleq (\lambda x. u) t$.

Type system. Figure 2 shows the typing rules for λ_{INI} ; the rules are standard from linear logic. The variable rule VAR is *linear*: it requires all of the variables in the context to be used, and variables cannot be freely discarded. For the sharing product ×, the introduction rule × INTRO shares the context across the premises: both components can share the same variables. Components can be projected out of these pairs, one at a time (× ELIM). For the independent product \otimes , in contrast, the

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Variables	x, y, z		
Types	τ	::=	$\mathbb{B} \mid \tau \times \tau \mid \tau \otimes \tau \mid \tau \multimap \tau$
Expressions	t, u	::=	$x \mid b \in \mathbb{B} \mid \text{coin} \mid (t, u) \mid \pi_i t$
			$t \otimes u \mid \text{let } x \otimes y = t \text{ in } u \mid \lambda x. t \mid t u$
Contexts	Γ	::=	$x_1:\tau_1,\ldots,x_n:\tau_n$

Fig. 1. Types and Terms: λ_{INI}

Con	NST	Coin	1	I	/AR
· +	$b:\mathbb{B}$	· ⊢ c	$coin:\mathbb{B}$	-	$x: \tau \vdash x: \tau$
	$\frac{\text{Intro}}{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \tau} \frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash (t_1, t_2)}$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_2 : \tau_2}{\tau_2) : \tau_1 \times \tau_2}$		$\frac{FLIM}{\Gamma \vdash t}$	$\frac{\tau_1 \times \tau_2}{\tau_i t : \tau_i}$
$\frac{\otimes \text{Intro}}{\Gamma_1 \vdash t_1 : \tau} \frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash t_1 : \tau}{\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash t_1}$	$\frac{\Gamma_2 \vdash t_2:}{\otimes t_2: \tau_1 \otimes \tau_2}$	$\frac{\tau_2}{\tau_2}$	$\frac{\otimes \text{Elim}}{\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash t : \tau_1 \otimes \tau_2}{\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash}}$	Γ_2 , let $x \otimes g$	$x: \tau_1, y: \tau_2 \vdash u:$ $y = t \text{ in } u: \tau$
Abstraction $\Gamma, x: \tau_1 \vdash t: \tau_2$		Application $\Gamma_1 \vdash t : \tau_1 \multimap \tau_2 \qquad \Gamma_2 \vdash u : \tau_1$			
$\overline{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x. t : \tau_1 \multimap \tau_2}$		$\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash t \ u : \tau_2$			

Fig. 2. Typing Rules: λ_{INI}

introduction rule \otimes INTRO requires both premises to use *disjoint* contexts. Thus, the components cannot share variables. Tensor pairs are eliminated by a let-pair construct that consumes both components at once (\otimes ELIM). In substructural type systems, \times is called an *additive* product, while \otimes is called a *multiplicative* product. The abstraction and application rules are standard.

An additive arrow? Note that the application rule is multiplicative, in the sense that the function and the argument cannot share variables. A natural question is whether the arrow should be additive: can we share variables between the function and its argument? Substructural type systems like bunched logic [O'Hearn and Pym 1999] include both a multiplicative and an additive arrow.

While we haven't defined the semantics of our language yet, we sketch an example showing that having an additive arrow would make it difficult for \otimes to capture probabilistic independence. If we allowed variables to be shared between the function and its argument, we would be able to type-check the program:

 $\cdot \vdash$ let x =coin in $(\lambda y. x \otimes y) x : \mathbb{B} \otimes \mathbb{B}$

Under our eager semantics, which we will discuss next, this program has the same behavior as let $x = coin in x \otimes x$, which produces a pair of *non*-independent values. Thus, we take a multiplicative arrow for our language.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{B} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbb{B}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tau \times \tau \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \tau \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} \tau \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tau \otimes \tau \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \tau \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} \tau \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tau \otimes \tau \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \tau \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} \tau \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tau \otimes \tau \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \tau \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tau \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow D \begin{bmatrix} \tau \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 : \tau_1, \cdots, x_n : \tau_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \tau_1 \end{bmatrix} \times \cdots \times \begin{bmatrix} \tau_n \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} x \end{bmatrix} (v) = \text{return } v$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} b \end{bmatrix} (*) = \text{return } v$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} b \end{bmatrix} (*) = \text{return } b$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \text{coin} \end{bmatrix} (*) = \frac{1}{2} (\delta_{\text{tt}} + \delta_{\text{ff}})$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} (t_1, t_2) \end{bmatrix} (\gamma) = x \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} t_1 \end{bmatrix} (\gamma); y \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} t_2 \end{bmatrix} (\gamma); \text{return } (x, y)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \pi_i t \end{bmatrix} (\gamma) = (x, y) \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} t \end{bmatrix} (\gamma); \text{return } x$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} t_1 \otimes t_2 \end{bmatrix} (\gamma_1, \gamma_2) = x \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} t_1 \end{bmatrix} (\gamma_1); y \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} t_2 \end{bmatrix} (\gamma_2); \text{return } (x, y)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \text{let } x \otimes y = t \text{ in } u \end{bmatrix} (\gamma_1, \gamma_2) = (x, y) \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} t \end{bmatrix} (\gamma_1); \begin{bmatrix} u \end{bmatrix} (\gamma_2, x, y)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda x. t \end{bmatrix} (\gamma) = \text{return } (\lambda x. \begin{bmatrix} t \end{bmatrix} (\gamma))$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} t u \end{bmatrix} (\gamma_1, \gamma_2) = f \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} t \end{bmatrix} (\gamma_1); x \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} u \end{bmatrix} (\gamma_2); f(x)$$



3.3 Denotational Semantics

We can give a semantics to this language using the category **Set** and the finite probability monad D. From top to bottom, Figure 3 defines the semantics of types, contexts, and typing derivations producing well-typed terms. For types, we interpret both product types as products of sets. Arrow types are interpreted as the set of Kleisli arrows, i.e., maps $[\tau_1] \rightarrow D[[\tau_2]]$. Contexts are interpreted as products of sets.

We interpret well-typed terms as Kleisli arrows. We briefly walk through the term semantics, which is essentially the same as the Kleisli semantics proposed by Moggi [1991]. Variables are interpreted using the unit of the monad, which is the point mass distribution δ_b . Coins are interpreted as the fair convex combination of two point mass distributions over tt and ff.

The rest of the constructs involve sampling, which is semantically modeled by composition of Kleisli morphisms. We use monadic arrow notation to denote Kleisli composition, i.e., $x \leftarrow f; g \triangleq g^* \circ f$. The two pair constructors have the same semantics: we sample from each component, and then pair the results. The projections for × computes the marginal of a joint distribution, while letbinding for \otimes samples from the pair *t* and then uses the sample in the body *u*. Lambda abstractions are interpreted as point mass distributions, while applications are interpreted as sampling the argument, and then applying the first sample to the second one.

Example 3.1 (Correlated pairs). It may seems as if there is no way of creating non-independent pairs, since the semantics for × pairs samples each component independently. However, consider

the program let x = coin in (x, x). By unfolding the definitions, its semantics is

$$\begin{aligned} x \leftarrow \frac{1}{2}(\delta_0 + \delta_1); y \leftarrow \delta_x; z \leftarrow \delta_x; \delta_{(y,z)} &= x \leftarrow \frac{1}{2}(\delta_0 + \delta_1); \delta_{(x,x)} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\delta_{(0,0)} + \delta_{(1,1)}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, programs with our semantics can indeed generate correlated samples.

Example 3.2 (Independent pairs are correlated pairs). In any language that can distinguish between independent and possibly-dependent distributions, it should be possible to view the former as the latter. In λ_{INI} , this conversion can be implemented by the following program:

$$\cdot \vdash \lambda z$$
. let $x \otimes y = z$ in $(x, y) : \tau_1 \otimes \tau_2 \multimap \tau_1 \times \tau_2$.

3.4 Soundness

The design of the type system of λ_{INI} should guarantee that \otimes enforces probabilistic independence. Concretely, we want to show that if $\cdot \vdash t : \tau_1 \otimes \tau_2$ is well-typed, then [t](*) is an independent probability distribution over $[\tau_1] \times [\tau_2]$. We show this soundness theorem by constructing a logical relation $\mathcal{R}_{\tau} \subseteq D([[\tau]])$, defined as:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{B}} &= D(\mathbb{B}) \\ \mathcal{R}_{\tau_1 \otimes \tau_2} &= \{\mu_1 \otimes \mu_2 \in D(\llbracket \tau_1 \rrbracket \times \llbracket \tau_2 \rrbracket) \mid \mu_i \in \mathcal{R}_{\tau_i} \} \\ \mathcal{R}_{\tau_1 \times \tau_2} &= \{\mu \in D(\llbracket \tau_1 \rrbracket \times \llbracket \tau_2 \rrbracket) \mid \pi_i(\mu) \in \mathcal{R}_{\tau_i} \text{ for } i \in \{1, 2\} \} \\ \mathcal{R}_{\tau_1 \to \tau_2} &= \{\mu \in D(\llbracket \tau_1 \rrbracket \to D(\llbracket \tau_2 \rrbracket)) \mid \forall \mu' \in \mathcal{R}_{\tau_1}, x \leftarrow \mu'; f \leftarrow \mu; f(x) \in \mathcal{R}_{\tau_2} \}. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.3. If $x_1 : \tau_1, \ldots, x_n : \tau_n \vdash t : \tau$ and $\mu_i \in \mathcal{R}_{\tau_i}$ then

$$(x_1 \leftarrow \mu_1; \cdots; x_n \leftarrow \mu_n; \llbracket t \rrbracket (x_1, \ldots, x_n)) \in \mathcal{R}_{\tau}.$$

PROOF. Let the distribution above be ν . Below, we write $\overline{x_i}$ as shorthand for x_1, \ldots, x_n , and we write $\overline{x_i} \leftarrow \mu_i$ as shorthand for $x_1 \leftarrow \mu_1; \cdots; x_n \leftarrow \mu_n$. We prove that $\nu \in \mathcal{R}_{\tau}$ by induction on the typing derivation $\Gamma \vdash t : \tau$.

- **CONST/COIN/VAR.** Trivial. For instance, for variables: $v = x \leftarrow \mu$; return $x = \mu$, which is in \mathcal{R}_{τ_n} by assumption.
- × **INTRO.** We have $v = \overline{x_i \leftarrow \mu_i}$; $x \leftarrow [t_1] (\overline{x_i})$; $y \leftarrow [t_2] (\overline{x_i})$; return (x, y). It is straightforward to show that the first marginal of v is $\overline{x_i \leftarrow \mu_i}$; $x \leftarrow [t_1] (\overline{x_i})$; return x which, by the induction hypothesis, in an element of \mathcal{R}_{τ_1} ; similarly, the second marginal of v is an element of \mathcal{R}_{τ_2} .
- × **ELIM.** We have $v = \overline{x_i \leftarrow \mu_i}$; $(x, y) \leftarrow [t](\overline{x_i})$; return *x*. By the induction hypothesis, $[t](x_i) \in \mathcal{R}_{\tau_1 \times \tau_2}$ and, by assumption, its marginals are elements of \mathcal{R}_{τ_1} and \mathcal{R}_{τ_2} .
- \otimes **INTRO.** Let $\overline{\mu_i}$ be the sequence of distributions corresponding to Γ_1 , and let $\overline{\eta_i}$ be the sequence of distributions corresponding to Γ_2 . Since *D* is a commutative monad [Borceux 1994], we may apply associativity and commutativity to show:

$$\begin{aligned} v &= x_i \leftarrow \overline{\mu_i}; y_i \leftarrow \overline{\eta_i}; x \leftarrow \llbracket t_1 \rrbracket (\overline{x_i}); y \leftarrow \llbracket t_2 \rrbracket (\overline{y_i}); \text{return } (x, y) \\ &= \overline{x_i \leftarrow \mu_i}; x \leftarrow \llbracket t_1 \rrbracket (\overline{x_i}); \overline{y_i \leftarrow \eta_i}; y \leftarrow \llbracket t_2 \rrbracket (\overline{y_i}); \text{return } (x, y) \\ &= (\overline{x_i \leftarrow \mu_i}; x \leftarrow \llbracket t_1 \rrbracket (\overline{x_i}); \text{return } x) \otimes (\overline{y_i \leftarrow \eta_i}; y \leftarrow \llbracket t_2 \rrbracket (\overline{y_i}); \text{return } y) = v_1 \otimes v_2. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, by induction hypothesis, $v_i \in \mathcal{R}_{\tau_i}$ so $v = v_1 \otimes v_2 \in \mathcal{R}_{\tau_1 \otimes \tau_2}$ as desired.

$$v = \overline{x_i \leftarrow \mu_i}; \overline{y_i \leftarrow \eta_i}; (x, y) \leftarrow [t] (\overline{x_i});$$

= $\overline{x_i \leftarrow \mu_i}; (x, y) \leftarrow [t] (\overline{x_i}); \overline{y_i \leftarrow \eta_i}; [u] (\overline{y_i}, x, y)$
= $(x, y) \leftarrow v_1 \otimes v_2; \overline{y_i \leftarrow \eta_i}; [u] (\overline{y_i}, x, y)$
= $\overline{y_i \leftarrow \eta_i}; x \leftarrow v_1; y \leftarrow v_2; [u] (\overline{y_i}, x, y)$

where the third equality is by the induction hypothesis from the first premise. By the induction hypothesis from the second premise, the final distribution is in \mathcal{R}_{τ} , as desired.

ABSTRACTION. By unfolding the definitions, we need to show

$$x \leftarrow \mu; f \leftarrow (x_i \leftarrow \mu_i; \delta_{\lambda x. \llbracket t \rrbracket(x_i)}); f(x) \in \mathcal{R}_{\tau_2},$$

for some $\mu \in \mathcal{R}_{\tau_1}$. This distribution is equal to $x_i \leftarrow \mu_i$; $x \leftarrow \mu$; $f \leftarrow \delta_{\lambda x.[t](x_i)}$; f(x), by associativity and commutativity. By the induction hypothesis and the fact that δ is the unit of the monad, we can conclude this case.

APPLICATION. This case follows directly from the induction hypotheses.

Our soundness property for λ_{INI} follows immediately.

Corollary 3.4. *If* $\cdot \vdash t : \tau_1 \otimes \tau_2$ *then* $\llbracket t \rrbracket$ (*) *is an independent probability distribution.*

4 A TWO-LEVEL LANGUAGE FOR INDEPENDENCE

As we have seen, the linear type system of λ_{INI} can distinguish between independent random quantities, and possibly dependent random quantities. However, there are some important limitations of λ_{INI} . We first discuss these issues, and then introduce a stratified, two-level language λ_{INI}^2 that resolves these problems. Finally, we show how to embed two fragments of λ_{INI} into λ_{INI}^2 .

4.1 Limitations of λ_{INI} : Let-Bindings and Sums

Adding sum types. A notable shortcoming of λ_{INI} is that it does not include sum types. Though there are base types like \mathbb{B} , it is not possible to perform case analysis. Indeed, extending λ_{INI} with sum types immediately leads to problems. Consider the following program:

if coin then tt
$$\otimes$$
 tt else ff \otimes ff

Operationally, this probabilistic program flips a fair coin and checks if it comes up true. If so, the program returns the pair tt \otimes tt, otherwise it returns the pair ff \otimes ff. Since both tt and ff are constants, they do not share any variables, both branches can be given type $\mathbb{B} \otimes \mathbb{B}$ and a standard case analysis rule would assign the whole program $\mathbb{B} \otimes \mathbb{B}$. However, this extension would break Theorem 3.3: the components of the pair are always equal to each other, and hence *not* probabilistic independent.

This example illustrates that we should not allow case analysis to produce programs of type $\tau_1 \otimes \tau_2$; in contrast, it is safe to allow case analysis to produce programs of type $\tau_1 \times \tau_2$ since this product does not assert independence. Thus, incorporating sum types into λ_{INI} while preserving soundness seems to require ad hoc restrictions on the elimination rule.

Reusing variables. Another restriction in λ_{INI} is that function application is multiplicative. The limitations can best be seen using let-bindings, which are syntactic sugar for application. In a let-binding let x = t in u, the terms t and u *cannot* share any variables.

For instance, λ_{INI} does not allow the following program:

let
$$u_1 = \operatorname{coin} \operatorname{in}$$

let $u_2 = \operatorname{coin} \operatorname{in}$
let $x = f(u_1, u_2)$ in
let $y = g(u_1, u_2)$ in
 (x, y)

There are useful sampling algorithms (e.g., the Box-Muller transform [Box and Muller 1958]) that follow this template. In order to write a well-typed version of this program in λ_{INI} , we could inline the definitions of *x* and *y*: the pair constructor (-, -) is additive, so the two components can both mention the variables u_1 and u_2 . However, it is awkward to require that a straightforward program must be inlined.

Similarly, given a term of type $\tau_1 \times \tau_2$, we can't directly project out both components at the same time. For instance, the program

let
$$x = \pi_1 z$$
 in
let $y = \pi_2 z$ in
 $f(x, y)$

is not well-typed, since the outer let-binding shares the variable *z* with its body. These problems would be solved if function applications (and hence let-bindings) in λ_{INI} were additive; however, as we have seen in Section 3, allowing a function and an argument to share variables would also break the soundness property of λ_{INI} .

4.2 The Language λ_{1NI}^2 : Syntax, Typing Rules and Semantics

To address these limitations, we introduce a stratified language. We are guided by a simple observation about products, sums, and distributions, which might be of more general interest. In λ_{INI} , the product types correspond to two distinct ways of composing distributions with products: the sharing product $\tau_1 \times \tau_2$ corresponds to *distributions of products*, $M(\tau_1 \times \tau_2)$, while the separating product $\tau_1 \otimes \tau_2$ corresponds to *products of distributions*, $M\tau_1 \times M\tau_2$.

Similarly, there are two ways of combining distributions and sums: *distributions of sums*, $M(\tau_1+\tau_2)$, and *sums of distributions*, $M\tau_1 + M\tau_2$. We think of the first combination as a *sharing sum*, since the distribution can place mass on both components of the sum. In contrast, the second combination is a *separating sum*, since the distribution either places all mass on τ_1 or all mass on τ_2 .

Finally, there are interesting interactions between sharing and separating, sums and products. For instance, the problematic sum example we saw above performs case analysis on coin—a sharing sum, because it has some probability of returning true and some probability of returning false—but produces a separating product $\mathbb{B} \otimes \mathbb{B}$. If we instead perform case analysis on a separating sum, then the program either always takes the first branch, or always takes the second branch—now there is no problem with producing a separating product.

These observations lead us to design a two-level language, where one layer includes the sharing connectives, and the other layer includes the separating connectives. We call this language λ_{INI}^2 , where INI stands for *independent/non-independent*; as we will see in section 5.2, the semantics of λ_{INI}^2 resembles Benton's linear/non-linear (LNL) semantics for linear logic [Benton 1994].

Syntax. The program and type syntax of λ_{INI}^2 , summarized in Figure 4, is stratified into two layers: a non-independent (NI) layer, and an independent (I) layer. We will color-code them: the NI-language will be orange, while the I-language will be purple.

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The NI layer has base, product, and sum types. The language is mostly standard: we have variables, constants, and basic distributions (coin), and primitive operations (we assume a set $O(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ of operations from τ_1 to τ_2) along with the usual pairing and projection constructs for products, and injection and case analysis constructs for sums. The NI layer does not have arrows, but it does allow let-binding.

The I-layer is quite similar to λ_{INI} : it has its own product and sum types, and a linear arrow type. The type $\mathcal{M}(\tau)$ brings a type from the NI-layer into the I-layer. The language is also fairly standard, with constructs for introducing and eliminate products and sums, and functions and applications. The last construct sample *x* as *t* in *M* is novel: it allows the two layers to interact.

Intuitively, the NI-language allows sharing while the I-language disallows sharing. Each language has its own sum type, a sharing and separated sum, respectively, each of which interacts nicely with its own product type. The \mathcal{M} modality can be thought of as an abstraction barrier between both languages that enables the manipulation of shared programs in a separating program while not allowing its sharing to be inspected, except when producing another boxed term.

x, y, z		
τ	::=	$\mathbb{B} \mid \tau \times \tau \mid \tau + \tau$
$\underline{\tau}$::=	$\underline{\tau} \otimes \underline{\tau} \mid \underline{\tau} \oplus \underline{\tau} \mid \underline{\tau} \multimap \underline{\tau} \mid \mathcal{M}(\underline{\tau})$
<i>M</i> , <i>N</i>	::=	$x \mid b \in \mathbb{B} \mid \text{coin} \mid f \in O(\tau_1, \tau_2) \mid (M, N) \mid \pi_i M \mid \text{in}_i t$
		case <i>t</i> of $(in_1x \Rightarrow u_1 in_2x \Rightarrow u_2) $ let $x = M$ in N
t, u	::=	$x \mid t \otimes u \mid \text{let } x \otimes y = t \text{ in } u \mid \text{in}_{i} t$
		case t of $(in_1x \Rightarrow u_1 in_2x \Rightarrow u_2) \lambda x. t t u $ sample x as t in M
Γ	::=	$x_1:\tau_1,\ldots,x_n:\tau_n$
Γ	::=	$x_1: \underline{\tau}_1, \ldots, x_n: \underline{\tau}_n$
	x, y, z τ <u>τ</u> M, N t, u Γ	$\begin{array}{cccc} x,y,z & & \\ \tau & & ::= \\ \underline{\tau} & & ::= \\ M,N & ::= \\ & & \\ t,u & ::= \\ & & \\ \Gamma & ::= \\ \Gamma & ::= \\ \end{array}$

Fig. 4. Types and Terms: λ_{INI}^2

Typing rules. The typing rules of λ_{INI}^2 are presented in Figure 5. We have two typing judgments for the two layers; we use subscripts on the turnstiles to indicate the layer. We start with the first group of typing rules, for the sharing (NI) layer. These typing rules are entirely standard for a first-order language with products and sums. Note that all rules allow the context to be shared between different premises. In particular, the let-binding rule is *additive* instead of multiplicative as in λ_{INI} : a let-binding is allowed to share variables with its body.

The second group of typing rules assigns types to the independent (I) layer. These rules are the standard rules for multiplicative additive linear logic (MALL), and are almost identical to the typing rules for λ_{INI} . Just like before, the rules treat variables linearly, and do not allow sharing variables between different premises. The rules for the sum $\tau_1 \oplus \tau_2$ are new. Again, the elimination (CASE) rule does not allow sharing variables between the guard and the body.

The final rule, SAMPLE, gives the interaction rule between the two languages. The first premise is from the sharing (NI) language, where the program M can have free variables x_1, \ldots, x_n . The rest of the premises are from the independent (I) language, where linear programs t_i have boxed type $\mathcal{M}\tau_i$. The conclusion of the rule combines programs t_i with M, producing an I-program of boxed type. Intuitively, this rule allows a program in the sharing language to be imported into the linear language. Operationally, sample x as t in M constructs a distribution t using the independent language, samples from it and binds the sample to x in the shared program M, and finally boxes the result into the linear language. *Semantics.* We can now give a semantics to this two-level language. To keep the presentation concrete, in this section we will work with a concrete semantics motivated by probabilistic independence, where programs are probabilistic programs with discrete sampling. In the next section, we will return to the general categorical semantics of λ_{INI}^2 .

The probabilistic semantics for λ_{INI}^2 is defined in Figure 6. For the NI-layer, we use the same semantics of λ_{INI} , i.e., well-typed programs are interpreted as Kleisli arrows for the finite distribution monad D. The Kleisli category **Set**_D has sets as objects, so we may simply define the semantics of each type to be a set. It is also known that **Set**_D has products and coproducts, which can be used to interpret well-typed programs in NI.

For the *I*-language, we are going to use the category of algebras for the finite distribution monad D and plain maps, \widetilde{Set}^D . Concretely, its objects are pairs (A, f), where f is an M-algebra, and a morphism $(A, f) \rightarrow (B, g)$ is a function $A \rightarrow B$. Given two objects (A, f) and (B, g) we can define a product algebra $A \times B$. Furthermore, it is also possible to equip the set-theoretic disjoint union A + B and exponential $A \Rightarrow B$ with algebra structures, making it a model of higher-order programming with case analysis. We only need to explicitly define the algebraic structure when interpreting the type constructor \mathcal{M} , which is interpreted as the free D-algebra with the multiplication for the monad as the algebraic structure.

Now that we have defined the probabilistic semantics of the λ_{INI}^2 , we can prove its soundness theorem: just like in λ_{INI} , the type constructor \otimes enforces probabilistic independence.

Theorem 4.1. If $\cdot \vdash_I t : \mathcal{M}\tau_1 \otimes \mathcal{M}\tau_2$ then $\llbracket t \rrbracket$ is an independent distribution.

PROOF. The semantics of $\cdot \vdash_I t : \mathcal{M}\tau_1 \otimes \mathcal{M}\tau_2$ is given by a plain, set-theoretic function $\llbracket t \rrbracket : 1 \rightarrow D \llbracket \tau_1 \rrbracket \times D \llbracket \tau_2 \rrbracket$, which is isomorphic to an independent distribution.

4.3 Revisiting Sums and Let-Binding

Now that we have seen λ_{INI}^2 , let us revisit the problematic if-then-else program at the beginning of the section. The type system of λ_{INI}^2 makes it impossible to produce an independent pair by pattern matching on values:

dist :
$$\mathcal{M}(1+1) \not\vdash_I$$
 if dist then (tt \otimes tt) else (ff \otimes ff) : $\mathcal{MB} \otimes \mathcal{MB}$

where if-statements are simply elimination of sum types over booleans. However, we can write a well-typed version of this program if we use the sharing product:

dist : $\mathcal{M}(1+1) \vdash_I$ sample dist as *x* in (if *x* then (tt, tt) else (ff, ff)) : $\mathcal{M}(\mathbb{B} \times \mathbb{B})$

While we were motivated by adding sums to λ_{INI} , our design also removes the limitations on let-bindings we discussed before, since the sharing layer has an additive let-binding. In particular, it is also possible to express the problematic let-binding program we saw before:

· \vdash_I sample coin, coin as u_1, u_2 in let $x = f(u_1, u_2)$ in

let
$$y = g(u_1, u_2)$$
 in
 $M : \mathcal{M}(\tau)$

We can also project both components out of pairs in the sharing layer:

$$\cdot \vdash_{NI} \text{let } x = \pi_1 M_1 \text{ in}$$

 $\text{let } y = \pi_2 M_2 \text{ in}$
 $M : \tau$



VAR	Abstraction $\Gamma, x : \tau_1 \vdash_I t$	$\Gamma: au_2 \qquad \qquad$	$\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$		
$\overline{x:\tau\vdash_I x:\tau}$	$\overline{\Gamma} \vdash_{I} \lambda x. t : \tau_1$	$-\circ \tau_2$	$\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash_I t \ u : \tau_2$		
Tensor		LetTensor			
$\Gamma_1 \vdash_I t : \tau_1$	$\Gamma_2 \vdash_I u : \tau_2$	$\Gamma_1 \vdash_I t : \tau_1 \otimes \tau_2$	$\Gamma_2, x: \tau_1, y$	$: \tau_2 \vdash_I u : \tau$	
$\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash_I t \otimes u : \tau_1 \otimes \tau_2$		$\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash_I \text{ let } x \otimes y = t \text{ in } u : \tau$			
	In1	In2			
	$\Gamma \vdash_I t : \tau_1$	$\Gamma \vdash_I t : \tau_2$			
	$\overline{\Gamma} \vdash_{I} in_{1} t : \tau_{1} \oplus \tau_{2}$	$\Gamma \vdash_{I}$	$\overline{\Gamma} \vdash_{I} in_{2} t : \tau_{1} \oplus \tau_{2}$		
СА	SE				
Γ_1	$\vdash_I t: \tau_1 \oplus \tau_2 \qquad \Gamma_2, x$	$c: \tau_1 \vdash_I u_1: \tau$	$\Gamma_2, x: \tau_2 \vdash_I u_2$: τ	
	$\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash_I case t$ of	$(\operatorname{in}_1 x \Rightarrow u_1 \operatorname{in}_2)$	$\Rightarrow u_2): \tau$		
SA	AMPLE				
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 $\frac{x_1:\tau_1,\ldots,x_n:\tau_n\vdash_{NI}M:\tau\quad\Gamma_i\vdash_It_i:\mathcal{M}\tau_i\qquad 0< i\leq n}{\Gamma_1,\ldots,\Gamma_n\vdash_I\text{ sample }t_i\text{ as }x_i\text{ in }M:\mathcal{M}\tau}$

Fig. 5. Typing Rules: λ_{INI}^2

$$(\mathbb{B}) = \mathbb{B}$$

$$(\pi \times \pi) = (\pi) \times (\pi)$$

$$(\pi + \pi) = (\pi) \times (\pi)$$

$$(\pi + \pi) = (\pi) \times \cdots \times (\pi_n)$$

$$([x_1 : \tau_1, \dots, x_n : \tau_n]) = ([\tau_1]) \times \cdots \times ([\tau_n])$$

$$([M + M : \pi]) \in \operatorname{Set}_D(\langle [\Gamma] \rangle, \langle [\pi] \rangle)$$

$$[[M + \pi]] = (D [[\pi]], \mu_{[\pi]})$$

$$[[\pi + \pi]] = [[\pi]] \to [[\pi]]$$

$$[[\pi + \pi]] = [[\pi]] \to [[\pi]]$$

$$[[\pi + \pi]] = [[\pi]] = [[\pi]] \times \cdots \times [[\pi]]$$

$$[[x_1 : \underline{\tau}_1, \dots, x_n : \underline{\tau}_n]] = [[\underline{\tau}_1]] \times \cdots \times [[\underline{\tau}_n]]$$

$$[[x_1 : \underline{\tau}_1, \dots, x_n : \underline{\tau}_n]] = [[\pi] \times [[\pi]])$$

$$[[x_1] (\gamma, v_x) = v_x$$

$$[[t \otimes u]] (\gamma_1, \gamma_2) = [[t]] (\gamma_1) \times [[u]] (\gamma_2)$$

$$[[t \times \otimes y = t \text{ in } u]] (\gamma_1, \gamma_2) = [[u]] (\gamma_2, [[t]] (\gamma_1))$$

$$[[\lambda x, t]] (\gamma) (x) = [[t]] (\gamma)(x)$$

$$[[t u]] (\gamma_1, \gamma_2) = [[t]] (\gamma_1, [[u]] (\gamma_2)$$

$$[[in_it]] (\gamma) = in_i([[t]] (\gamma))$$

$$[[case t of (|[in_1x \Rightarrow u_1 | in_2x \Rightarrow u_2)]] (\gamma_1, \gamma_2) = \begin{cases} [[u_1]] (\gamma_2, v), \quad [[t]] (\gamma_1) = in_2(v) \\ [[uamptote [u_i as x_i in N]] = \mu \circ D(N) \circ ([[t_1]] \times \cdots \times [[t_n]]) \end{cases}$$

Fig. 6. Concrete Semantics: λ_{INI}^2

4.4 Embedding from λ_{INI} to λ_{INI}^2

Given λ_{INI} and λ_{INI}^2 , a natural question is how these languages are related. We show that it is possible to embed the fragment without arrow types of λ_{INI} into λ_{INI}^2 . Since its semantics is given by a Kleisli category, there is an obvious translation of it into the NI-layer of λ_{INI}^2 .

$$\mathcal{T}(\mathbb{B}) = \mathbb{B}$$
$$\mathcal{T}(\tau_1 \times \tau_2) = \mathcal{T}(\tau_1 \otimes \tau_2) = \mathcal{T}(\tau_1) \times \mathcal{T}(\tau_2)$$

At the term-level, the translation is the identity function.

Theorem 4.2. If $\Gamma \vdash M : \tau$ in λ_{INI} then $\mathcal{T}(\Gamma) \vdash_{NI} \mathcal{T}(M) : \mathcal{T}(\tau)$ in λ_{INI}^2 .

Furthermore, it is easy to show that this translation preserves equations between programs and is fully abstract.

Theorem 4.3. Let $\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \tau$ and $\Gamma \vdash t_2 : \tau$ in λ_{INI} then $\llbracket t_1 \rrbracket = \llbracket t_2 \rrbracket$ if, and only if, $\llbracket \mathcal{T}(t_1) \rrbracket = \llbracket \mathcal{T}(t_2) \rrbracket$.

PROOF. The proof follows from the fact that the translation is a faithful functor.

It is also possible to translate the multiplicative (\otimes , \neg) fragment of λ_{INI} into the I-layer of λ_{INI}^2

$$\mathcal{T}'(\mathbb{B}) = \mathcal{M}\mathbb{B}$$
$$\mathcal{T}'(\tau_1 \otimes \tau_2) = \mathcal{T}'(\tau_1) \otimes \mathcal{T}'(\tau_2)$$
$$\mathcal{T}'(\tau_1 \multimap \tau_2) = \mathcal{T}'(\tau_1) \multimap \mathcal{T}'(\tau_2)$$

Once again, the term translation is the identity function.

Theorem 4.4. If $\Gamma \vdash t : \tau$ in λ_{INI} then $\mathcal{T}'(\Gamma) \vdash_I \mathcal{T}'(t) : \mathcal{T}'(\tau)$ in λ_{INI}^2 .

PROOF. The proof follows by induction on the typing derivation $\Gamma \vdash t : \tau$.

This translation is functorial and faithful, and therefore is sound and fully abstract with respect with the denotational semantics of λ_{INI} and λ_{INI}^2 .

Remark 4.5 (Translating the full language). It is not possible to translate the whole λ_{INI} into λ_{INI}^2 . Since only one of the languages of λ_{INI}^2 has arrow types and there is no way of moving from I into NI, the translation would need to map λ_{INI} programs into I programs, which can only write probabilistically independent programs, making it impossible to translate the × type constructor. By adding an additive function type to the NI-layer of λ_{INI}^2 , it would be possible to extend the first translation so that it encompasses the whole language; however, some of the other concrete models that we will consider in the next section do not support an additive function type in the NI-layer.

5 CATEGORICAL SEMANTICS AND CONCRETE MODELS

The language λ_{INI}^2 and its probabilistic semantics defines a probabilistic calculus with sharing and separation of resources, and it has a simple soundness proof showing that the product \otimes captures probabilistic independence. However, the concrete semantics is based on the probability monad. In this section, we first present the full, categorical semantics of λ_{INI}^2 , by abstracting the probabilistic semantics we saw in the previous section. Then, we present a variety of concrete models for λ_{INI}^2 .

5.1 Categorical Semantics of λ_{INI}^2

Motivation. Suppose we have two effectful languages, \mathcal{L}_1 and \mathcal{L}_2 . The first one has a product type \times which allows for the sharing of resources, while the second one has the disjoint product type \otimes . Furthermore, we assume that \mathcal{L}_2 has a unary type constructor \mathcal{M} linking both languages. The intuition behind this decision is that an element of type $\mathcal{M}\tau$ is a computation which might share resources. From a language design perspective, the constructor \mathcal{M} serves to encapsulate a possibly dependent computation in an independent environment. Indeed, if we have a term of type $\mathcal{M}(\tau \times \tau)$, we should not be able to use its components to produce a term of type $\mathcal{M}\tau \otimes \mathcal{M}\tau$.

An important question to understand is how the type constructors \times and \otimes should be interpreted. We have seen that \widetilde{C}^T has products whenever C has them. However, the typing rules in Figure 5 suggest that it only required a monoidal product, which is exactly the formalism we will choose. On the other hand, though we want to be able to copy arguments using \times , we are not interested in the universal property of products, only in its comonoidal structure, i.e. being able to duplicate and erase computation. This kind of structure is captured by CD categories, which are monoidal categories

where every object *A* comes equipped with a commutative comonoid structure $A \rightarrow A \otimes A$ and $A \rightarrow I$ making certain diagrams commute [Cho and Jacobs 2019].

Finally, as we have mentioned above, independent distributions are, in particular, possibly dependent distributions. Therefore there should be a program $\mathcal{M}\tau_1 \otimes \mathcal{M}\tau_2 \vdash \mathcal{M}(\tau_1 \times \tau_2)$, which we interpret as \mathcal{M} being an applicative functor. An applicative functor is also known as a lax monoidal functor, which is defined as a functor $F : (\mathbf{C}, \otimes_C, I_C) \to (\mathbf{D}, \otimes_D, I_D)$ between monoidal categories equipped with morphisms $\mu_{A,B} : F(A) \otimes_D F(B) \to F(A \otimes_C B)$ and $\epsilon : I_D \to FI_C$ making certain diagrams commute [Borceux 1994].

Categorical model. These considerations motivate our categorical model for λ_{INI}^2 .

Definition 5.1. A semantics to our language is given by a CD category with coproducts M, a symmetric monoidal closed category with coproducts C and a lax monoidal functor $\mathcal{M} : M \to C$.

The denotational semantics is given in Figures 7 and 8 and the equational theory is presented in Figures 9 and 10. Due to some categorical subtleties, we also require **M** to be distributive in the sense that the monoidal structure must preserve coproducts: $A \otimes (B + C) \cong (A \otimes B) + (A \otimes C)$. Distributivity on **C** comes without further assumptions.

Lemma 5.2. In every symmetric monoidal closed category with coproducts, the following isomorphism holds: $A \otimes (B + C) \cong (A \otimes B) + (A \otimes C)$.

PROOF. By assumption, the functor $A \otimes (-)$ is a left adjoint and, therefore, preserves coproducts and we can conclude the isomorphism $A \otimes (B + C) \cong (A \otimes B) + (A \otimes C)$.

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Soundness. In categorical models, the soundness theorem of λ_{INI}^2 can be stated abstractly as follows:

Theorem 5.3 (Soundness). Let $\cdot \vdash_I t : \tau_1 \otimes \tau_2$ then $\llbracket t \rrbracket = f \otimes g$, where f and g are morphisms $I \to \llbracket \tau_1 \rrbracket$ and $I \to \llbracket \tau_2 \rrbracket$, respectively.

From a proof-theoretic perspective, the soundness theorem states that for every proof of type $\cdot \vdash \tau_1 \otimes \tau_2$, we can assume that the last rule is the introduction rule for \otimes . From a semantic perspective, the soundness theorem means that for every closed term $\cdot \vdash t : \tau_1 \otimes \tau_2$, the semantics $[t_1]$ can be factored as two morphisms f_1 and f_2 such that $[t_1] = f_1 \otimes f_2$.

Establishing soundness requires additional categorical machinery, so we defer the proof to Section 6. Here, we will exhibit a range of concrete models for λ_{INI}^2 .

5.2 Concrete models

5.2.1 Discrete Probability. Our first concrete model is a different semantics for discrete probability. For the sharing category, we consider the category **CountStoch** of countable sets as objects and transition matrices as morphisms, i.e. functions $f : A \times B \rightarrow [0, 1]$ such that for every $a \in A$, f(a, -) is a probability distribution [Fritz 2020]. For the sake of simplicity we will denote its monoidal product using \times , even though it is not a Cartesian product; note that our categorical model does not require categories to be Cartesian.

For the independent category, we take the probabilistic coherence space model of linear logic, which has been extensively studied in the context of semantics of discrete probabilistic languages [Danos and Ehrhard 2011].

Definition 5.1 (Probabilistic Coherence Spaces [Danos and Ehrhard 2011]). A probabilistic coherence space (PCS) is a pair ($|X|, \mathcal{P}(X)$) where |X| is a countable set and $\mathcal{P}(X) \subseteq |X| \to \mathbb{R}^+$ is a set, called the *web*, such that:



Fig. 7. Categorical Semantics for λ_{INI}^2 : NI-layer

Ахіом		
$\tau \xrightarrow{id_{\tau}} \tau$	$\Gamma_1 \otimes \Gamma_2 \xrightarrow{t \otimes u} \tau_1 \otimes \tau_2$	$\Gamma_1 \otimes \Gamma_2 \xrightarrow{(id \otimes t); u} \underline{\tau}$
	$\frac{\Gamma \otimes \underline{\tau_1} \xrightarrow{t} \underline{\tau_2}}{\Gamma \xrightarrow{\operatorname{cur}(t)} \underline{\tau_1} \multimap \underline{\tau_2}}$	$\frac{\Gamma_1 \xrightarrow{t} \underline{\tau_1} \multimap \underline{\tau_2}}{\Gamma_1 \otimes \Gamma_2} \xrightarrow{\Gamma_2} \frac{\Gamma_2 \xrightarrow{u} \underline{\tau_1}}{\Gamma_2}$
	$ \bigoplus \text{INTRO}_{1} \\ \frac{\Gamma \xrightarrow{t} \tau_{1}}{\Gamma \xrightarrow{t; in_{1}} \tau_{1} + \tau_{2}} $	$ \begin{array}{c} \oplus \operatorname{Intro}_{2} \\ \Gamma \xrightarrow{t} \tau_{2} \\ \hline \Gamma \xrightarrow{t;in_{2}} \tau_{1} + \tau_{2} \end{array} \end{array} $
	$ \bigoplus_{\Gamma_1 \xrightarrow{u} \tau_1 + \tau_2} \tau_1 \varepsilon_1 $	$\otimes \Gamma_2 \xrightarrow{t_1} \tau \qquad \tau_2 \otimes \Gamma_2 \xrightarrow{t_2} \tau$
	$\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \xrightarrow{u \otimes id_{\Gamma_2}} (\tau_1 + \tau_2) \otimes \Gamma_2$	$t \cong (\tau_1 \otimes \Gamma_2) + (\tau_2 \otimes \Gamma_2) \xrightarrow{[t_1, t_2]} \tau$

SAMPLE

$$\frac{\tau_1 \times \cdots \times \tau_n \xrightarrow{M} \tau \qquad \Gamma_i \xrightarrow{t_i} \mathcal{M}\tau_i}{\Gamma_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \Gamma_n \xrightarrow{t_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes t_n} \mathcal{M}\tau_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathcal{M}\tau_n \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathcal{M}(\tau_1 \times \cdots \times \tau_n) \xrightarrow{FM} \mathcal{M}\tau_i}$$

Fig. 8. Categorical Semantics for λ_{INI}^2 : I-layer

case (in₁M) of ($|in_1x \Rightarrow N_1| in_2x \Rightarrow N_2$) $\equiv N_1\{M/x\}$ case (in₂M) of ($|in_1x \Rightarrow N_1| in_2x \Rightarrow N_2$) $\equiv N_2\{M/x\}$ let x = t in $x \equiv t$ let x = x in $t \equiv t$ let $y = (let x = M_1 in M_2)$ in $M_3 \equiv let x = M_1$ in (let $y = M_2$ in M_3)

Fig. 9. Equational Theory: NI-layer

 $(\lambda x. t) u \equiv t\{u/x\}$ let $x_1 \otimes x_2 = t_1 \otimes t_2$ in $u \equiv u\{t_1/x_1\}\{t_2/x_2\}$ case (in₁t) of ($|in_1x \Rightarrow u_1 | in_2x \Rightarrow u_2$) $\equiv u_1\{t/x\}$ case (in₂t) of ($|in_1x \Rightarrow u_1 | in_2x \Rightarrow u_2$) $\equiv u_2\{t/x\}$

sample t as x in $x \equiv t$ sample (sample t as x in M) as y in $N \equiv$ sample t as x in (let y = M in N)

Fig. 10. Equational Theory: I-layer

- $\forall a \in X \exists \varepsilon_a > 0 \varepsilon_a \cdot \delta_a \in \mathcal{P}(X)$, where $\delta_a(a') = 1$ iff a = a' and 0 otherwise;
- $\forall a \in X \exists \lambda_a \ \forall x \in \mathcal{P}(X) \ x_a \leq \lambda_a;$

• $\mathcal{P}(X)^{\perp \perp} = \mathcal{P}(X)$, where $\mathcal{P}(X)^{\perp} = \{x \in X \to \mathbb{R}^+ \mid \forall v \in \mathcal{P}(X) \ \sum_{a \in X} x_a v_a \leq 1\}.$

We can define a category **PCoh** where objects are probabilistic coherence spaces and morphisms $X \multimap Y$ are matrices $f : |X| \times |Y| \to \mathbb{R}^+$ such that for every $v \in \mathcal{P}(X)$, $(fv) \in \mathcal{P}(Y)$, where $(fv)_b = \sum_{a \in |A|} f_{(a,b)} v_a$.

Definition 5.2. Let $(|X|, \mathcal{P}(X))$ and $(|Y|, \mathcal{P}(Y))$ be PCS, we define $X \otimes Y = (|X| \times |Y|, \{x \otimes y \mid x \in \mathcal{P}(X), y \in \mathcal{P}(Y)\}^{\perp \perp})$, where $(x \otimes y)(a, b) = x(a)y(b)$

We want to define a functor \mathcal{M} : CountStoch \rightarrow PCoh. First, we will define a map from countable sets to PCS as follows.

Lemma 5.4. Let X be a countable set, the pair $(X, \{\mu : X \to \mathbb{R}^+ \mid \sum_{x \in X} \mu(x) \le 1\})$ is a PCS.

PROOF. The first two points are obvious, as the Dirac measure is a subprobability measure and every subprobability measure is bounded above by the constant function $\mu_1(x) = 1$.

To prove the last point we use the – easy to prove – fact that $\mathcal{P}X \subseteq \mathcal{P}X^{\perp\perp}$. Therefore we must only prove the other direction. First, observe that, if $\mu \in \{\mu : X \to \mathbb{R}^+ \mid \sum_{x \in X} \mu(x) \leq 1\}$, then we have $\sum \mu(x) \mu_1(x) = \sum 1\mu(x) = \sum \mu(x) \leq 1$, $\mu_1 \in \{\mu : X \to \mathbb{R}^+ \mid \sum_{x \in X} \mu(x) \leq 1\}^{\perp}$.

Let $\tilde{\mu} \in {\mu : X \to \mathbb{R}^+ \mid \sum_{x \in X} \mu(x) \le 1}^{\perp \perp}$. By definition, $\sum \tilde{\mu}(x) = \sum \tilde{\mu}(x)\mu_1(x) \le 1$ and, therefore, the third point holds.

We define how \mathcal{M} acts on morphisms using the following lemma.

Lemma 5.5. Let $X \to Y$ be a CountStoch morphism. It is also a PCoh morphism.

Theorem 5.6. There is a lax monoidal functor \mathcal{M} : CountStoch \rightarrow PCoh.

PROOF. The functor is defined using the lemmas above. Functoriality holds due to the functor being the identity on arrows. The lax monoidal structure is given by $\epsilon = id_1$ and $\mu_{X,Y} = id_{X\times Y}$

In **PCoh** it is possible to show that $\mathcal{M}\tau_1 \otimes \mathcal{M}\tau_2 \subseteq \mathcal{M}(\tau_1 \times \tau_2)$ meaning that well typed programs of type $\mathcal{M}\tau_1 \otimes \mathcal{M}\tau_2$ are denoted by joint distributions over $\tau_1 \times \tau_2$. Furthermore, our soundness theorem says that they are only denoted by *independent* probability distributions. This model was originally used to explore the connections between probability theory and linear logic. Since its creation this model has been used to interpret recursive probabilistic programs and recursive types [Tasson and Ehrhard 2019]; it is also fully-abstract for probabilistic PCF [Ehrhard et al. 2018].

5.2.2 Continuous Probability. Next, we consider models for continuous probability. The generalization of **CountStoch** to continuous probabilities is **BorelStoch**, which has standard Borel spaces as objects and Markov kernels as morphisms [Fritz 2020].

The category **Meas** can be used to interpret continuous probability, but it can't interpret higherorder functions. However, there are a few models of linear logic that can interpret continuous randomness and higher-order functions. We choose to use a model based on perfect Banach lattices.

Definition 5.3 ([Azevedo de Amorim and Kozen 2022]). The category **PBanLat**₁ has perfect Banach lattices as objects and order-continuous linear functions with norm ≤ 1 as morphisms.

Theorem 5.7. There is a lax monoidal functor \mathcal{M} : BorelStoch \rightarrow PBanLat₁.

PROOF. The functor acts on objects by sending a measurable space to the set of signed measures over it, which can be equipped with a **PBanLat**₁ structure. On morphisms it sends a Markov kernel f to the linear function $\mathcal{M}(f)(\mu) = \int f d\mu$.

The monoidal structure of **PBanLat**₁ satisfies the universal property of tensor products and, therefore, we can define the natural transformation $\mu_{X,Y} : \mathcal{M}(X) \otimes \mathcal{M}(Y) \to \mathcal{M}(X \times Y)$ as the function generated by the bilinear function $\mathcal{M}(X); \mathcal{M}(Y) \to \mathcal{M}(X \times Y)$ which maps a pair of distributions to its product measure. The map ϵ is, once again, equal to the identity function.

The commutativity of the lax monoidality diagrams follows from the universal property of the tensor product: it suffices to verify it for elements $\mu_A \otimes \mu_B \otimes \mu_C$.

This model can be seen as the continuous generalization of the previous model, since there is are full and faithful embeddings CountStoch \hookrightarrow BorelStoch and PCoh \hookrightarrow PBanLat₁ [Azevedo de Amorim and Kozen 2022]. In this model, our soundness theorem once again ensures probabilistic independence, i.e. programs of type $\mathcal{M}\tau_1 \otimes \mathcal{M}\tau_2$ are denoted by independent distributions.

5.2.3 Non-Determinism and Communication. Imagine that we want to program a system that might run in several computers concurrently and guarantee local reasoning, i.e., we can reason equationally about an individual program without worrying about the code it communicates with. If we assume that each program is pure and that communication is perfect then this is straight forward to do. However, if we assume that communication might be faulty – a message might drop, for instance – or that the programs being run are effectful then this becomes more complicated.

Suppose that we have two languages: one for writing local programs and a second one to orchestrate the communication between local code. We claim that λ_{INI}^2 provides abstractions for this situation, where $M\tau$ corresponds to local computations which can be manipulated by the communication language. To align the syntax with this new interpretation, we change sample to send t_i as x_i in M which sends the values computed by the local programs t_i , binds them to x_i and continues as the local program M.

For the concrete semantics, we will assume that local programs may be non-deterministic, to account for messages that might be dropped. Therefore, we choose the Kleisli category for the

powerset monad as our CD category and the linear category **Rel**, a well-known model of classical linear logic.

In this model, our soundness result ensures that if we have a closed program of type $M\tau \otimes M\tau$, then it can be factored into two local programs which can be run locally, and do not require any extra communication other than explicit send instructions.

This approach to programming with communication is reminiscent of session types and choreographic programming. Session types consist of linearly-typed languages which can be used to specify and program communication protocols with explicit communication. One of their meta theoretic guarantees is that well-typed programs will never deadlock. Choreographic programming is a monolithic approach to distributed computation. The programmer writes the entire system in a single program which can be compiled (projected, as it is used in the literature) into several local programs with explicit communication. They also guarantee deadlock-freedom and keep the invariant that the projection function is well-defined while not enforcing a linear typing discipline.

We see our model for λ_{INI}^2 as a sort of compromise between both approaches. Though we require communication to be linear, the modality \mathcal{M} allows to safely encapsulate non-linear computations. Our soundness theorem can be seen as a kind of existence of projection functions from the choreography literature.

It is a interesting research question that goes well beyond the scope of this paper to understand how these approaches are related. With the introduction of higher-order choreographies [Hirsch and Garg 2022] it seems like our approach is overly conservative since our soundness theorem is also valid for, say, programs of type ($\tau \rightarrow \tau$) $\otimes \tau$, not only programs of type $\mathcal{M}\tau \otimes \mathcal{M}\tau$, which are the only types that should matter when projecting into local programs.

5.2.4 Commutative Effects. In this section we will present a large class of models based on commutative monads which, are monads where, in a Kleisli semantics of effects, the program equation (let x = t in let y = u in w) \equiv (let y = u in let x = t in w) holds.

The Kleisli category of commutative monads has many useful properties.

Theorem 5.8 ([Fritz 2020]). Let C be a Cartesian category and T a commutative monad over it. The category C_T is a CD category.

Lemma 5.9. Let C be a distributive category and T a monad over it. Its Kleisli category C_T has coproducts and is also distributive.

PROOF. It is straightforward to show that Kleisli categories inherit coproducts from the base category. Furthermore, by using the distributive structure of C, applying *T* to it and using the functor laws, it follows that C_T is distributive.

Another useful category of algebras is the category of algebras and plain maps \widetilde{C}^T which has *T* algebras as objects and $\widetilde{C}^T((A, f), (B, g)) = C(A, B)$.

Theorem 5.10 ([Simpson 1992]). Let C be a Cartesian category and T a commutative monad over it. The category of T-algebras and plain maps is Cartesian closed.

Therefore, we choose the Kleisli category to interpret NI and the category of *T*-algebras and plain maps to interpret I. We only have to show that there is an applicative functor between them.

Theorem 5.11. There exists an applicative functor $C_T \to \widetilde{C^T}$.

PROOF. The functor acts by sending objects A to the free algebra (TA, μ_A) and morphisms $f : A \to TB$ to f^* . Now, for the lax monoidal structure, consider the natural transformation $\mu \circ T\tau \circ \sigma : TA \times TB \to T(A \times B)$ and $\eta_1 : 1 \to T1$. It is possible to show that this corresponds to

an applicative functor by using the fact that *T* is commutative and that the comonoid structure $A \rightarrow 1$ is natural.

Something which needs further clarification is what is the intuitive interpretation for the sample x as t in M construct. Originally, categories of algebras and plain maps were used as a denotational foundation for call-by-name programming languages while Kleisli categories can be used to interpret call-by-value languages. In this context, the I language should be seen as a CBN interpretation of effects while NI should be seen as a CBV interpretation of effects. Therefore, we rename Sample to Force and its operational interpretation is forcing the execution of CBN computations t_i , binding the results to x_i and running them in an eager setting.

As a concrete example, the name generation monad is used to give semantics to the ν -calculus, a language that has a primitive that generates a "fresh" symbol [Stark 1996]. This is a useful abstraction, for instance, in cryptography, where a new symbol might be a secret that you might not want to share with adversaries. As such, enforcing the separability of names used is useful when reasoning about security property of programs.

A concrete semantics to the ν -calculus was presented by Stark [1996] where the base category is the functor category [**Inj**, **Set**], where **Inj** is the category of finite sets and injective functions. In this case the name generation monad acts on functor as

$$T(A)(s) = \{(s', a') \mid s' \in \text{Inj}, a' \in S(s+s')\}/\sim$$

where $(s_1, a_1) \sim (s_2, a_2)$ if, and only if, for some s_0 there are injective functions $f_1 : s_1 \rightarrow s_0$ and $f_2 : s_2 \rightarrow s_0$ such that $A(id_s + f_1)a_1 = A(id_s + f_2)a_2$. The intuition is that T(A) is a computation that, given a finite set of names used *s*, produces a distinct set of names *s'* and a value *a'*.

In the context of name generation, our soundness theorem says that in a program of type $\mathcal{M}\tau \otimes \mathcal{M}\tau$, the names used in the first component are *disjoint* from the ones used in the second component.

It is also possible to define a variant to this algebra model using the Eilenberg-Moore category since; this category is known to be symmetric monoidal closed, under a few light conditions.¹

5.2.5 Affine Bunched Typing. The logic of bunched implications (BI) [O'Hearn and Pym 1999] is a substructural logic. A primary motivation of BI is reasoning about sharing and separation of abstract resources, whether pointers to a heap memory [O'Hearn et al. 2001], or permissions to enter some critical section in concurrent code [O'Hearn 2007].

The proof theory of BI gives rise to functional languages with bunched type systems, where contexts are defined using trees (so-called *bunches*) as opposed to lists [O'Hearn 2003]. Concretely, there are two context concatenation operations Γ , Γ and Γ ; Γ . The first operation means that the two contexts are disjoint, whereas the second one means that they might share resources.

It is natural to wonder how BI is related to λ_{INI}^2 . Semantically, bunched calculi are interpreted using a single category that has both a Cartesian closed and a (usually distinct) monoidal closed structure. In order to understand how these systems are related, let us consider the affine variant of the bunched calculus, i.e., when the monoidal unit is a terminal object and there is a discard operation $A \otimes B \rightarrow A$. Given an affine BI model C, we can define a trivial lax monoidal functor $id : (C, \times, 1) \rightarrow (C, \otimes, I)$ which maps every object and morphism to itself. Thus:

Theorem 5.12. Every model of affine BI gives rise to a model of λ_{INI}^2 .

¹The monoidal structure is given by a coequalizer to the following diagram: https://ncatlab.org/nlab/show/tensor+product+ of+algebras+over+a+commutative+monad#for_monoidal_closed_categories

Remark 5.13. From a more abstract point of view, by initiality of the syntactic model of λ_{INI}^2 (Theorem A.1), there is a translation from λ_{INI}^2 to the bunched calculus. Thus, affine bunched calculi can be seen as a degenerate version of our language, where the two layers are collapsed into one.

To illustrate a useful model of the bunched calculus, let us consider Reynolds' system for syntactic control of interference control (SCI). Reynolds introduced an affine λ -calculus that can enforce the non-aliasing of local state. Its denotational semantics was defined by O'Hearn [1993] and consists of the functor category **Set** $\mathcal{P}^{(Loc)}$, where $\mathcal{P}(Loc)$ is the poset category of subsets of *Loc*, an infinite set of names (memory addresses). The Cartesian closed structure is given by the usual construction on presheafs. The monoidal closed structure is given by a different product on presheafs, called the Day convolution [Borceux 1994].

The presheaf model for SCI gives rise to a presheaf model for λ_{INI}^2 . In this context, our soundness theorem implies that programs of type $\tau_1 \otimes \tau_2$ do not share local state and, therefore, there can be no aliasing of memory locations.

6 SOUNDNESS THEOREM

So far we have seen two proofs of soundness. For λ_{INI} , we proved soundness using logical relations (Theorem 3.3). For λ_{INI}^2 with a probabilistic semantics, we used an observation about algebras for the distribution monad (Theorem 4.1). This proof is slick, but the strategy does not generalize to other models of λ_{INI}^2 .

Thus, to prove our general soundness theorem for λ_{INI}^2 , we will return to logical relations. The statement of our soundness theorem is as follows.

Theorem 6.1. If $\cdot \vdash_I t : \mathcal{M}\tau_1 \otimes \mathcal{M}\tau_2$ then $\llbracket t \rrbracket$ can be factored as two morphisms $\llbracket t \rrbracket = f_1 \otimes f_2$, where $f_1 : I \to \mathcal{M} \llbracket \tau_1 \rrbracket$ and $f_2 : I \to \mathcal{M} \llbracket \tau_2 \rrbracket$.

Logical relations are frequently used to prove metatheoretical properties of type theories and programming languages. However, they are usually used in concrete settings, i.e., for a concrete model where we can define the logical relation explicitly. In our case, however, this approach is not enough, since we are working with an abstract categorical semantics of λ_{INI}^2 . Thus, we will leverage the categorical treatment of logical relations, called *Artin gluing*, a construction originally used in topos theory [Hyland and Schalk 2003; Johnstone et al. 2007].

A detailed description of this technique is beyond the scope of this paper. However, we highlight some of the essential aspects here. We have already introduced our class of models for λ_{INI}^2 . Let $\cdot \vdash_I t : \underline{\tau}$ be a well-typed program. For every concrete model (**M**, **C**, \mathcal{M}), we want to show that the interpretation $[\![t]\!]$ in this model satisfies some properties. At a high level, there are three steps to the gluing argument:

- (1) Define a category of models of λ²_{INI}, and show that every interpretation [[·]] can be encoded as a map from the *syntactic* model Syn to (M, C, M); where the syntactic model has types as objects and typing derivations (modulo the equational theory of λ²_{INI}) as morphisms. This property follows by showing that the syntactic model is initial.
- (2) Define a triple (M, Gl(C), \mathcal{M})—where objects of the category Gl(C) are pairs ($A, X \subseteq C(I, A)$), the subsets X are viewed as predicates on A, and morphisms preserve these predicates—and show that this structure is a model of λ_{INI}^2 . We call this the *glued* model.
- (3) Define a map () from the syntactic model Syn to the glued model. The data of this map associates every I-type <u>τ</u> in λ²_{INI} to an object (A_{<u>τ</u>}, X_{<u>τ</u>} ⊆ C(I, A_{<u>τ</u>})); intuitively, A_{<u>τ</u>} ∈ C is the interpretation of <u>τ</u> under [], and the subset X_{<u>τ</u>} encodes the logical relation at type <u>τ</u>, so this map defines a logical relation. The proof that map from Syn to the glued model is indeed a map of models encodes the logical relations proof.

Finally, we can use (\cdot) to map any morphism in the syntactic category, i.e., well-typed term $\cdot \vdash_I t : \underline{\tau}$, to an element of $X_{\underline{\tau}}$. By initiality of **Syn**, [t] also is an element of $X_{\underline{\tau}}$, completing the proof by logical relations proof. We defer the details to Appendix A.

7 RELATED WORK

Linear logics and probabilistic programs. A recent line of uses linear logic as a powerful framework to provide semantics for probabilistic programming languages. Notably, Ehrhard et al. [2018] show that a probabilistic version of the coherence-space semantics for linear logic is fully abstract for probabilistic PCF with discrete choice, and Ehrhard et al. [2017] provide a denotational semantics inspired by linear logic for a higher-order probabilistic language with continuous random sampling; probabilistic versions of call-by-push-value have also been developed [Tasson and Ehrhard 2019]. Linear type systems have also been developed for probabilistic properties, like almost sure termination [Dal Lago and Grellois 2019] and differential privacy [Azevedo de Amorim et al. 2019; Reed and Pierce 2010].

As we have mentioned, our categorical model for λ_{INI}^2 is inspired by models of linear logic based on monoidal adjunctions, most notably Benton's LNL [Benton 1994]. From a programming languages perspective, these models decompose the linear λ -calculus with exponentials in two languages with distinct product types each: one is a Cartesian product and the other is symmetric monoidal. The adjunction manifests itself in adding functorial type constructor in each language, similar to our \mathcal{M} modality. These two-level languages are very similar to λ_{INI}^2 , and indeed it is possible to show that every LNL model is a λ_{INI}^2 model. At the same time, the class of models for λ_{INI}^2 is much broader than LNL—none of the models presented in Section 5.2 are LNL models.

Higher-order programs and effects. There is a very large body of work on higher-order programs effects, which we cannot hope to summarize here. The semantics of λ_{INI} is an instance of Moggi's Kleisli semantics, from his seminal work on monadic effects [Moggi 1991]; the difference is that our one-level language uses a linear type system to enforce probabilistic independence.

Another well-known work in this area is Call-by-Push-Value (CBPV) [Levy 2001]. It is a two-level metalanguage for effects which subsumes both call-by-value and call-by-name semantics. Each level has a modality that takes from one level to the other one. There is a resemblance to λ_{INI}^2 , but the precise relationship is unclear—none of our concrete models are CBPV models.

Our two-level language λ_{INI}^2 can also be seen as an application of a novel resource interpretation of linear logic developed by Azevedo de Amorim [2022], which uses an applicative modality to guarantee that the linearity restriction is only valid for computations, not values. We consider a more general class of categorical models, and we investigate the role of sum types.

Bunched type systems. Our focus on sharing and separation is similar to the motivation of another substructural logic, called the logic of bunched implicates (BI) [O'Hearn and Pym 1999]. Like our system, BI features two conjunctions modeling separation of resources, and sharing of resources. Like in λ_{INI} , these conjunctions in BI belong to the same language. Unlike our work, BI also features two implications, one for each conjunction. The leading application of BI is in separations logic for concurrent and heap-manipulating programs [O'Hearn 2007; O'Hearn et al. 2001], where pre- and post-conditions are drawn from BI.

Most applications of BI use a truth-functional, Kripke-style semantics [Pym et al. 2004]. By considering the proof-theoretic models of BI, O'Hearn [2003] developed a bunched type system for a higher-order language. Its categorical semantics is given by a *doubly closed category*: a Cartesian closed category with a separate symmetric monoidal closed structure. While O'Hearn [2003] showed different models of this language for reasoning about sharing and separation in heaps, few other

concrete models are known. It is not clear how to incorporate effects into the bunched type system; in contrast, our models can reason about a wide class of monadic effects.

There are natural connections to both of our languages. Our language λ_{INI} resembles O'Hearn's system, with two differences. First, λ_{INI} only has a multiplicative arrow, not an additive arrow—as we described in Section 3, it is not clear how to support an additive arrow in λ_{INI} without breaking our primary soundness property. Second, contexts in λ_{INI} are flat lists, not tree-shaped bunches; it would be interesting to use bunched contexts to represent more complex dependency relations.

Our stratified language λ_{INI}^2 is also similar to O'Hearn's system. Though our categorical model only has a single multiplicative arrow, in the I-layer, many—but not all—of our concrete models also support an additive arrow, in the NI-layer. Furthermore, by assuming a single category, instead of two categories as in our approach, in BI it is possible to layer the connectives × and \otimes to create intricate dependency structures. In contrast our two-layer language only allows to create dependencies of the form $\mathcal{M}(\tau \times \cdots \times \tau) \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathcal{M}(\tau \times \cdots \times \tau)$. At the same time, it is not clear how the two sum types in λ_{INI}^2 would function in a bunched type system.

Probabilistic independence in higher-order languages. There are a few probabilistic functional languages with type systems that model probabilistic independence. Probably the most sophisticated example is due to Darais et al. [2019], who propose a type system combining linearity, information-flow control, and probability regions for a probabilistic functional language. Darais et al. [2019] show how to use their system to implement and verify security properties for implementations of oblivious RAM (ORAM). Our work aims to be a core calculus capturing independence, with a clean categorical model.

Lobo Vesga et al. [2021] present a probabilistic functional language embedded in Haskell, aiming to verify accuracy properties of programs from differential privacy. Their system uses a taint-based analysis to establish independence, which is required to soundly apply concentration bounds, like the Chernoff bound. Unlike our work, Lobo Vesga et al. [2021] do not formalize their independence property in a core calculus.

Probabilistic separation logics. A recent line of work develops separation logics for first-order, imperative probabilistic programs, using formulas from the logic of bunched implications to represent pre- and post-conditions. Systems can reason about probabilistic independence [Barthe et al. 2019], but also refinements like conditional independence [Bao et al. 2021], and negative association [Bao et al. 2022]. These systems leverage different Kripke-style models for the logical assertions; it is unclear how these ideas can be adapted to a type system or a higher-order language. There are also quantitative versions of separation logics for probabilistic programs [Batz et al. 2022, 2019].

8 CONCLUSION AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS

We have presented two linear, higher-order languages with types that can capture probabilistic independence, and other notions of separation in effectful programs. We see several natural directions for further investigation.

Other variants of independence. In some sense, probabilistic independence is a trivial version of dependence: it captures the case where there is no dependence whatsoever between two random quantities. Researchers in statistics and AI have considered other notions that model more refined dependency relations, such as conditional independence, positive association, and negative dependence (e.g., [Dubhashi and Ranjan 1998]). Some of these notions have been extended to other models besides probability; for instance, Pearl and Paz [1986] develop a theory of *graphoids* to axiomatize properties of conditional independence. It would be interesting to see whether any of these notions can be captured in a type system.

Bunched type systems for independence. Our work bears many similarity to work on bunched logics; most notably, bunched logics feature an additive and a multiplicative conjunction. While bunched logics have found strong applications in Hoare-style logics, the only bunched type system we are aware of is due to O'Hearn [2003]. This language features a single layer with two product types and also two function types, and the typing contexts are tree-shaped bunches, rather than flat lists. Developing a probabilistic model for a language with a richer context structure would be an interesting avenue for future work.

Non-commutative effects. Our concrete models encompass many kinds of effects, but we only support effects modeled by commutative monads. Many common effects are modeled by non-commutative monads, e.g., the global state monad. It may be possible to extend our language to handle non-commutative effects, but we would likely need to generalize our model and consider non-commutative logics.

Towards a general theory of separation for effects. We have seen how in the presence of effects, constructs like sums and products come in two flavors, which we have interpreted as sharing and separate. Notions of sharing and separation have long been studied in programming languages and logic, notably leading to separation logics. We believe that there should be a broader theory of separation (and sharing) for effectful programs, which still remains to be developed.

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A CATEGORICAL SOUNDNESS PROOF: DETAILS

A.1 Category of Models

A model for λ_{INI}^2 is given by a CD category **M** with coproducts, a symmetric monoidal closed category (SMCC) C with coproducts and a lax monoidal functor $\mathcal{M} : \mathbf{M} \to \mathbf{C}$. A morphism between two models ($\mathbf{M}_1, \mathbf{C}_1, \mathcal{M}_1$) and ($\mathbf{M}_2, \mathbf{C}_2, \mathcal{M}_2$) is a pair of functors ($F : \mathbf{M}_1 \to \mathbf{M}_2, G : \mathbf{C}_1 \to \mathbf{C}_2$) that preserves the logical connectives.

If we define composition component-wise, it is possible to define a category **Mod** of models of the language. An important model is the syntactic category **Syn**, whose objects are types, and morphisms are typing derivations modulo the equational theory presented in Figures 9 and 10. The syntactic category is the initial object of **Mod**.

Theorem A.1. Syn is the initial object of Mod.

PROOF. Let (C, M, M) be a model. The functor $[\cdot] : Syn \to (C, M, M)$ is defined by two functors $[\cdot]_1$ and $[\cdot]_2$. It is possible to define their action on objects by induction on the types. In order to define the action on morphisms we proceed by induction on the typing derivation.

There is a subtlety in this definition because the morphisms of the components of **Syn** are typing derivations modulo the equational theory of the language, meaning that we need to quotient the definition above. Since, by definition of model, the construction above is invariant with respect with the equational theory, it is well-defined.

To prove uniqueness we assume the existence of two semantics and show, by induction on the typing derivation, that they are equal. $\hfill \Box$

A.2 Glued category

We construct the logical relations category by using a comma category. Formally, a comma category along functors $F : C_1 \to D$ and $G : C_2 \to D$ has triples (A, X, h) as objects, where A is an C_1 object, X is an C_2 objects and $h : FA \to GX$, and its morphisms $(A, X, h) \to (A', X', h')$ are pairs $f : A \to A'$ and $g : X \to X'$ making certain diagrams commute. In Computer Science applications of gluing, it is usually assumed that F is the identity functor and D = Set. Furthermore, to simplify matters, sometimes it is also assumed that we work with full subcategories of the glued category, for instance we can assume that we only want objects such that $A \to GB$ is an injection, effectively representing a subset of GB.

Therefore, in the context of our applications, a glued category along a functor $G : \mathbb{C} \to \text{Set}$ has pairs $(A, X \subseteq G(A))$ as objects and its morphisms $(A, X) \to (B, Y)$ is a \mathbb{C} morphism $f : A \to B$ such that $G(f)(X) \subseteq Y$. Note that this condition can be seen as a more abstract way of phrasing the usual logical relations interpretation of arrow types: mapping related things to related things. At an intuitive level we want to use the functor *G* to map types to predicates satisfied by its inhabitants.

Now, we are ready to define the glued category and show that it constitutes a model for the language. Given a triple ($\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{C}, \mathcal{M}$) we define the triple ($\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{Gl}(\mathbf{C}), \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}$), where the objects of $\mathbf{Gl}(\mathbf{C})$ are pairs ($A \in \mathbf{C}, X \subseteq \mathbf{C}(I, A)$) and the morphisms are \mathbf{C} morphisms that preserve X. The functor $\mathcal{M} : \mathbf{M} \to \mathbf{C}$ is lifted to a functor $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}} : \mathbf{C} \to \mathbf{Gl}(\mathbf{C})$ by mapping objects X to ($\mathcal{M}X, \mathbf{C}(I, \mathcal{M}X)$) and by mapping morphisms f to $\mathcal{M}f$.² Now we have to show that the triple is indeed a model of our language.

Something that simplifies our proofs is that morphisms in Gl(C) are simply morphisms in C with extra structure and composition is kept the same. Therefore, once we establish that a C morphism is

²Note that its predicate set is every C morphism $I \rightarrow MX$, similar to how ground types are interpreted in usual logical relations proofs.

also a Gl(C) morphism all we have to do in order to show that a certain Gl(C) diagram commutes is to show that the respective C diagram commutes.

Theorem A.2. Gl(C) is SMCC with coproducts.

PROOF. Let (A, X) and (B, Y) be Gl(C) objects, we define $(A, X) \otimes (B, Y) = (A \otimes B, \{f : I \rightarrow A \otimes B \mid f = f_A \otimes f_B, f_A \in X, f_B \in Y\})$. The monoidal unit is given by (I, C(I, I)).

Let (A, X) and (B, Y) be Gl(C) objects, we define $(A, X) \multimap (B, Y) = (A \multimap B, \{f : I \to (A \multimap B) | \forall f_A \in X_A, \epsilon_B \circ (f_A \otimes f) \in X_B\}$, where $\epsilon_B : (A \multimap B) \otimes A \to B$ is the counit of the monoidal closed adjunction.

To show $A \otimes (-) + A \multimap (-)$ we can use the (co)unit characterization of adjunctions, which corresponds to the existence of two natural transformations $\epsilon_B : A \otimes (A \multimap B) \to B$ and $\eta_B : B \to A \multimap (A \otimes B)$ such that $1_{A \otimes -} = \epsilon(A \otimes -) \circ (A \otimes -)\eta$ and $1_{A \multimap -} = (A \multimap -)\epsilon \circ \eta(A \multimap -)$, where 1_F is the identity natural transformation between *F* and itself. By choosing these natural transformations to be the same as in C, since the adjoint equations hold for them by definition, all we have to do is show that they are also Gl(C) morphisms, which follows by unfolding the definitions.

Finally, we can show that Gl(C) has coproducts. Let (A_1, X_1) and (A_2, X_2) be Gl(C) objects, we define $(A_1, X_1) \oplus (A_2, X_2) = (A_1 \oplus A_2, \{in_i f_i | f_i \in X_i\})$. To show that it satisfies the universal property of sum types. Let $f_1 : A_1 \to B$ and $f_2 : A_2 \to B$ be Gl(C) morphisms. Consider the C morphism $[f_1, f_2]$. We want to show that this morphism is also a Gl(C) morphism. Consider $g \in X_{A_1 \oplus A_2}$ which, by assumption, $g = in_1g_1$ or $g = in_2$. By case analysis and the facts $f_i \circ g_i \in Y$ and $[f_1, f_2] \circ in_ig_i = f_i \circ g_i$ we can conclude that $[f_1, f_2]$ is indeed a Gl(C) morphism.

Since every construction so far uses the same objects as the ones in C, it is possible to show that the forgetful functor $U : Gl(C) \to C$ preserves every type constructor and is a **Mod** morphism. Next, we have to show that $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}$ is lax monoidal which follows from the fact that μ and ϵ preserve the plot sets, by a simple unfolding of the definitions. We can now easily conclude that the lax monoidality diagrams commute, since composition is the same and \mathcal{M} is lax monoidal.

Thus, the glued category is a model.

Theorem A.3. The triple $(M, Gl(C), \widetilde{\mathcal{M}})$ is a Mod object.

There is a forgetful map from the glued model to the original model.

Theorem A.4. There is a Mod morphism $U : (M, Gl(C), \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}) \to (M, C, \mathcal{M})$.

The key step is constructing a map from the syntactic model to the glued model. This map encodes the logical relation, categorically.

Theorem A.5. There is a Mod morphism (\cdot) : Syn \rightarrow (M, Gl(C), $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}$).

SKETCH. In order to define a map, we must associate each object *X* in **Syn** with an object of the glued category ($A \in C, X \subseteq C(I, A)$). Recall that each object in **Syn** is a type in λ_{INI}^2 . We will just define the map for I-types. Each $\underline{\tau}$ is mapped to ($\underline{\tau}, X_{\tau} \subseteq C(I, \underline{\tau})$) where:

$$\begin{split} X_{\mathcal{M}\tau} &= \mathbb{C}(I, \mathcal{M}\tau) \\ X_{\underline{\tau_1} \otimes \underline{\tau_2}} &= \{f_1 \otimes f_2 \mid f_1 \in X_{\underline{\tau_1}}, f_2 \in X_{\underline{\tau_2}}\} \\ X_{\underline{\tau_1} \to \underline{\tau_2}} &= \{f: I \to (\underline{\tau_1} \multimap \underline{\tau_2}) \mid \forall f_{\underline{\tau_1}} \in X_{\underline{\tau_1}}, \epsilon_{\underline{\tau_2}} \circ (f_{\underline{\tau_1}} \otimes f) \in X_{\underline{\tau_2}}\} \\ X_{\tau_1 \oplus \tau_2} &= \{\inf_i f_i \mid f_i \in X_{\tau_i}\} \end{split}$$

With this map in hand, we may now construct a functor $U \circ (\cdot)$: Syn $\rightarrow (M, C, M)$ which, by initiality of Syn, is equal to the functor $[\cdot]$, as illustrated by Figure 11.



Fig. 11. The essence of the soundness proof

A.3 General Soundness Theorem

Theorem A.6. If $\cdot \vdash_I t : \underline{\tau}$, then $\llbracket t \rrbracket \in X_{\tau}$.

PROOF. We know that $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket = U \circ (\cdot)$ and that (t) is a GI(C) morphism. As such we have that $\llbracket t \rrbracket = (t) \circ id_I \in X_{\underline{\tau}}$.

Theorem 5.3 follows immediately, as a corollary.

Corollary A.7. If $\cdot \vdash_I t : \mathcal{M}\tau_1 \otimes \mathcal{M}\tau_2$ then $\llbracket t \rrbracket$ can be factored as two morphisms $\llbracket t \rrbracket = f_1 \otimes f_2$, where $f_1 : I \to \mathcal{M} \llbracket \tau_1 \rrbracket$ and $f_2 : I \to \mathcal{M} \llbracket \tau_2 \rrbracket$.

PROOF. By Theorem A.6, if $\cdot \vdash_I t : \mathcal{M}\tau_1 \otimes \mathcal{M}\tau_2$, then $\llbracket t \rrbracket \in X_{\mathcal{M}\tau_1 \otimes \mathcal{M}\tau_2}$ which, by unfolding the definitions, means that there exists $f_1 : I \to \mathcal{M}\llbracket \tau_1 \rrbracket$ and $f_2 : I \to \mathcal{M}\llbracket \tau_2 \rrbracket$ such that $\llbracket t \rrbracket = f_1 \otimes f_2$. \Box