# Sweedler theory of monads

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#### What is this about?

Structure, I am afraid...

- We are following Moggi's monad-based approach to effects in mathematical semantics of functional programming.
- Effects are a program's (a computation's) requests to the outside world for certain services.
- To be able to run, a program has to meet a state machine (an environment) able to serve these requests.
- The two have to understand each other.
- Monad-comonad interaction laws mathematize the communication protocols between computations and environments.

• How to find the universal notion of environment for the given notion of computation and vice versa?

#### Outline

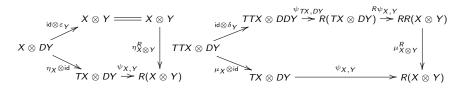
- Monad-comonad interaction laws (Katsumata, R., U.)
- An abstract (Sweedler theory) view: measuring maps in duoidal Sweedler theory
- A (co)algebraic characterization (U., Voorneveld)
- Combining the Sweedler theory and (co)algebraic perspectives

#### Monad-comonad interaction laws

- $\bullet$  Let  $\mathbb C$  be a symm. mon. category.
- A monad-comonad interaction law is a monad  $(T, \eta, \mu)$ , a comonad  $(D, \varepsilon, \delta)$  and monad  $(R, \eta^R, \mu^R)$  and a nat. transf. typed

$$\psi_{X,Y}: TX \otimes DY \to R(X \otimes Y)$$

such that



- Legend:
  - T notion of computation, X values
  - D notion of environment, Y states
  - R notion of residual computation
- The most important case is R = Id.



# Example: State (1)

- $\bullet$  Let  $\mathbb C$  be a CCC, e.g., Set.
- $TX = S \Rightarrow (S \times X)$  (the state monad)
- $DY = S \times (S \Rightarrow Y)$  (the costate comonad) for some S
- RZ = Z
- $\psi: (S \Rightarrow (S \times X)) \times (S \times (S \Rightarrow Y)) \rightarrow X \times Y$  $\psi(f, (s, g)) = \text{let } (s', x) = f \text{ s in } (x, g \text{ s}')$
- Legend:
  - X values
  - Y (control) states, S stores (data states)

# Example: State (2)

- $TX = V \Rightarrow (V \times X)$  (the state monad)
- $DY = S \times (S \Rightarrow Y)$  (the costate comonad) for some S, V,  $get: S \rightarrow V$  and  $put: S \times V \rightarrow S$ forming a (very well-behaved) lens
- RZ = Z

• 
$$\psi: (V \Rightarrow (V \times X)) \times (S \times (S \Rightarrow Y)) \rightarrow X \times Y$$
  
 $\psi(f,(s,g)) = \text{let } (v',x) = f \text{ (get s) in } (x,g \text{ (put } (s,v')))$ 

Legend:

$$X$$
 – values,  $V$  – "views" of stores (data states),  $Y$  – (control) states,  $S$  – stores (data states)

# Example: State (3)

- $TX = \mu X' \cdot X + (S \Rightarrow X') + (S \times X')$ (the intensional state monad)
- $DY = S \times (S \Rightarrow Y)$
- RZ = Z
- $\psi$  (inl x, (s,g)) = (x,gs)•  $\psi$  (inr (inl f), (s,g)) =  $\psi$  (fs, (s,g)) •  $\psi$  (inr (irr (s',c)), (-,g)) =  $\psi$  (c, (s',g))

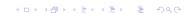
- $TX = S \Rightarrow X$  (the reader monad)
- $DY = S \times (S \Rightarrow Y)$
- RZ = Z
- $\psi(f,(s,g)) = (f s, g s)$



# Example: (Intensional) nondeterminism

- $TX = \mu X' \cdot X + X' \times X'$
- $DY = \nu Y'$ .  $Y \times (Y' + Y') \cong \nu Y'$ .  $Y \times (2 \times Y') \cong Str(Y \times 2)$
- $\bullet$  RZ = Z
- $\psi$  (inl x, (y, \_)) = (x, y)  $\psi$  (inr (c, \_), (\_, inl e) =  $\psi$  (c, e)  $\psi$  (inr (\_, c), (\_, inr e) =  $\psi$  (c, e)

- $TX = \mu X' \cdot X + (1 + X' \times X')$
- $DY = \nu Y' \cdot Y \times (Y' + Y')$
- RZ = Z + 1
- $\psi$  (inl x,  $(y, \_)$ ) = inl (x, y)  $\psi$  (inr (inl  $\star$ )),  $\_$ ) = inr  $\star$   $\psi$  (inr (inr  $(c, \_)$ ),  $(\_$ , inl e) =  $\psi$  (c, e) $\psi$  (inr (inr  $(\_, c)$ ),  $(\_$ , inr e) =  $\psi$  (c, e)



## **Example: Nontermination**

- $TX = \nu X' \cdot X + X'$  (the delay monad)
- $DY = \mu Y'$ .  $Y \times (1 + Y') \cong NEList Y$  (the timeout comonad)
- $\bullet$  RZ = TZ
- $\psi$  (inl x, (y,  $_{-}$ )) = inl (x, y)•  $\psi$  (inr c, (y, inl  $\star$ ) = inr ( $\psi$  (c, (y, inl  $\star$ ))) •  $\psi$  (inr c, ( $_{-}$ , inr e) =  $\psi$  (c, e)

#### Alternative formulations

• If  $\mathbb C$  is closed, the definition of mnd.-cmnd. int. laws admits further variants:

$$\frac{TX \otimes DY \to R(X \otimes Y) \text{ nat. in } X, Y \text{ subj. to eqs.}}{\mathbb{C}(X \otimes Y, Z) \to \mathbb{C}(TX \otimes DY, RZ) \text{ nat. in } X, Y, Z \text{ subj. to eqs.}}{\frac{T(Y \multimap Z) \to DY \multimap RZ \text{ nat. in } Y, Z \text{ subj. to eqs.}}{D(X \multimap Z) \to TX \multimap RZ \text{ nat. in } X, Z \text{ subj. to eqs.}}}$$

Legend:

X – values

Y – states

Z – observables (values for residual computations)

 $X \otimes Y \rightarrow Z$  – observation functions

#### Monad-comonad interaction laws as monoids

• A functor-functor interaction law is given by three functors  $F, G, H : \mathbb{C} \to \mathbb{C}$  and a nat. transf. typed maps

$$\phi_{X,Y}: FX \otimes GY \rightarrow H(X \otimes Y)$$

A functor-functor interaction law map between (F, G, H, φ),
 (F', G', H', φ') is given by nat. transfs. f: F → F', g: G' → G,
 h: H → H' such that

$$FX \otimes G'Y \xrightarrow{\operatorname{id} \otimes g_Y} FX \otimes GY \xrightarrow{\phi_{X,Y}} H(X \otimes Y)$$

$$\downarrow^{h_{X \otimes Y}} \downarrow^{h_{X \otimes Y}}$$

$$\downarrow^{h_{X \otimes Y}} \downarrow^{h_{X \otimes Y}} H'(X \otimes Y)$$

- Functor-functor int. laws form a category with a composition-based monoidal structure.
- Monad-comonad int. laws are monoids in this category.



#### R-residual monad-comonad interaction laws as monoids

- One can fix H to be the underlying functor R of some particular monad  $(R, \eta^R, \mu^R)$ .
- The category of R-residual functor-functor int. laws has a composition-based monoidal structure using  $(\eta^R, \mu^R)$ .
- R-residual monad-comonad int. laws are monoids in this category.

## Degeneracies for R = Id

- Assume C is extensive.
- If F comes with a nullary operation or a commutative binary operation and interacts with G, then  $GY \cong 0$ .
- If T comes with an associative binary operation and interacts with D, then D cannot be very interesting.
- It is therefore often useful to use, e.g., -+1,  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathrm{f}}^+$  or  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathrm{f}}$  as the monad R.

## A challenge

- We would like to be able, given a monad R,
  - to construct the final monad T interacting R-residually with a given comonad D,
  - or to construct the final comonad D interacting R-residually with a given monad T,
- or also, given a monad T and a comonad D,
  - to construct the initial monad R wrt. which they can interact residually;
- in short, given any two,
  - to construct the universal third.

## Abstracting to monoid-comonoid interaction laws

- Assume the symm. mon. cat  $\mathbb C$  is locally presentable. Cut  $[\mathbb C,\mathbb C]$  down to accessible functors.
- $\bullet$   $[\mathbb{C},\mathbb{C}]_a$  has a Day convolution symm. mon. structure.

$$JZ = \mathbb{C}(I, Z) \bullet I$$
$$(F \star G)Z = \int^{X,Y} \mathbb{C}(X \otimes Y, Z) \bullet (FX \otimes GY)$$

• Func.-func. int. laws for F, G, H are in bijection with maps  $F \star G \to H$ .

$$\underbrace{\frac{\mathit{FX} \otimes \mathit{GY} \to \mathit{H}(X \otimes Y) \ \mathsf{nat. in} \ X, Y}{\mathbb{C}(X \otimes Y, Z) \to \mathbb{C}(\mathit{FX} \otimes \mathit{GY}, \mathit{HZ}) \ \mathsf{nat. in} \ X, Y, Z}}_{(\mathit{Fx} \otimes \mathit{GY})} \underbrace{\xrightarrow{(\mathit{FX} \otimes \mathit{GY})} \to \mathit{HZ} \ \mathsf{nat. in} \ Z}$$

• The category of *R*-residual func.-func. interaction laws is isomorphic to that of Chu spaces with vertex *R*.

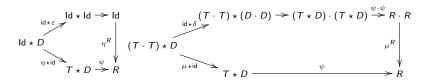
# Abstracting to monoid-comonoid interaction laws ctd.

- Composition and Day convolution together equip  $[\mathbb{C},\mathbb{C}]_a$  with a duoidal structure  $(\mathrm{Id},\cdot,J,\star)$ .
- In particular,  $\star$  is oplax monoidal wrt. (Id,  $\cdot$ ), so there are structural laws

$$\begin{array}{c} \operatorname{Id} \star \operatorname{Id} \to \operatorname{Id} \\ (F \cdot F') \star (G \cdot G') \to (F \star G) \cdot (F' \star G') \end{array}$$

subject to the right equations.

• Mnd.-cmnd. int. laws for T, D, R are in bijection with maps  $T \star D \to R$  such that



• We can abstract from  $[\mathbb{C},\mathbb{C}]_a$  and talk about object-object and monoid-comonoid int. laws in a general symm. duoidal category.



# Abstracting to monoid-comonoid interaction laws ctd.

• If  $\mathbb C$  is closed, i.e.,  $-\otimes Y$  has a right adjoint  $Y \multimap -$ , then  $-\star G$  has a right adjoint  $G \twoheadrightarrow -$  given by

$$(G \rightarrow H)X = \int_Y GY \multimap H(X \otimes Y)$$

• For a comonad  $(D, \varepsilon, \delta)$  and a monad  $(R, \eta^R, \mu^R)$ , the functor  $D \to R$  is a monad via

$$\eta = \operatorname{Id} \longrightarrow \operatorname{Id} \star \operatorname{Id} \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \to \eta^R} D \to R$$

$$\mu = (D \to R) \cdot (D \to R) \longrightarrow (D \cdot D) \to (R \cdot R) \xrightarrow{\delta \to \mu^R} D \to R$$

• Mnd.-cmnd. int. laws for T,D,R are in bijection with monad maps  $T \to D \to R$ .

# Sweedler theory for duoidal categories

- We follow López Franco and Vasilakopoulou's generalization of Sweedler theory from SMCs to duoidal categories.
- Assume a duoidal category  $(\mathbb{D}, I, \diamond, J, \star)$  symm. closed wrt.  $(J, \star)$ , i.e., with a functor  $\to$ :  $\mathbb{D}^{\mathrm{op}} \times \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{D}$  such that  $-\star G \dashv G \to -$ .
- The oplax resp. lax monoidal wrt.  $(I, \diamond)$  functors

$$\begin{array}{l} \star: \mathbb{D} \times \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{D} \\ \to : \mathbb{D}^{\mathrm{op}} \times \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{D} \end{array}$$

lift to

$$\begin{array}{ll} \star: \mathsf{Comon}(\mathbb{D}) \times \mathsf{Comon}(\mathbb{D}) \to \mathsf{Comon}(\mathbb{D}) & \mathsf{tensor} \ \mathsf{of} \ \mathsf{comonoids} \\ \to : (\mathsf{Comon}(\mathbb{D}))^{\mathrm{op}} \times \mathsf{Mon}(\mathbb{D}) \to \mathsf{Mon}(\mathbb{D}) & \mathit{power} \end{array}$$

• A measuring map for a monoid T, comonoid D, monoid R (= a mon.-comon. int. law) is a map  $UT \star UD \to UR$  whose transpose  $T \to D \to R$  is a monoid map.

## Sweedler theory for duoidal categories ctd.

• If the appropriate adjoints exist, one moreover has functors

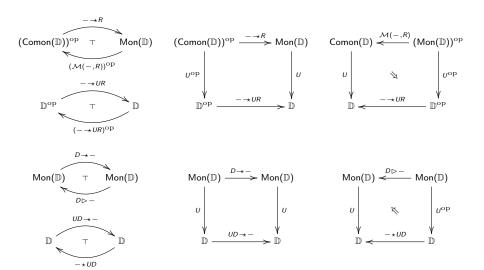
$$\begin{array}{ll} \mathcal{C}: (\mathsf{Comon}(\mathbb{D}))^\mathrm{op} \times \mathsf{Comon}(\mathbb{D}) \to \mathsf{Comon}(\mathbb{D}) & \mathsf{int. hom of comonoids} \\ \rhd: \mathsf{Comon}(\mathbb{D}) \times \mathsf{Mon}(\mathbb{D}) \to \mathsf{Mon}(\mathbb{D}) & \mathit{Sweedler copower} \\ \mathcal{M}: (\mathsf{Mon}(\mathbb{D}))^\mathrm{op} \times \mathsf{Mon}(\mathbb{D}) \to \mathsf{Comon}(\mathbb{D}) & \mathit{Sweedler hom} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{D_0\star D_1\to D \text{ in }\mathsf{Comon}(\mathbb{D})}{D_0\to\mathcal{C}(D_1,D) \text{ in }\mathsf{Comon}(\mathbb{D})} \frac{ \begin{array}{c} T\to D \to R \text{ in }\mathsf{Mon}(\mathbb{D}) \\ \hline UT\star UD\to UR \text{ measuring in }\mathbb{D} \\ \hline D\rhd T\to R \text{ in }\mathsf{Mon}(\mathbb{D}) \\ \hline D\to \mathcal{M}(T,R) \text{ in }\mathsf{Comon}(\mathbb{D}) \\ \end{array}}$$

- $D^{\circ} = D \rightarrow I$  is called the *dual* of D,  $D^{\bullet} = \mathcal{M}(T, I)$  is called the *Sweedler dual* of T.
- The category (Comon( $\mathbb{D}$ ),  $J, \star, \mathcal{C}$ ) is symmetric monoidal closed.
- The category  $(\mathsf{Mon}(\mathbb{D}), \mathcal{M}, \triangleright, \rightarrow)$  is enriched, copowered and powered over  $(\mathsf{Comon}(\mathbb{D}), J, \star, \mathcal{C})$ .



# Sweedler theory for duoidal categories ctd.



# Final interacting (co)monoids, initial residual monoid

By construction,

 $D \to R$  is the final monoid T that D interacts R-residually with,  $\mathcal{M}(T,R)$  is the final comonoid D that T interacts R-residually with,  $D \rhd T$  is the initial monoid R wrt. which T and D interact residually.

- $D \rightarrow R$  is immediate to compute since  $U(D \rightarrow R) = UD \rightarrow UR$ .
- $\bullet$  Specifically for  $\mathbb{D} = [\mathbb{C}, \mathbb{C}]_a$  we have

$$(D \to R)X = \int_Y DY \multimap R(X \otimes Y)$$

(suppressing the U's).

#### Mon-comon, int. laws of free monoids

 Exploiting the Sweedler theory perspective, some things about monoid-comonoid interaction become very easy to calculate.

• E.g., for  $T = F^*$  (the free monoid on an object F), mon.-comon. int. laws for T, D, R are in bijection with obj.-obj. int. laws for F, UD, UR:

$$\frac{F \star UD \to UR \text{ in } \mathbb{D}}{F \to UD \to UR \text{ in } \mathbb{D}}$$

$$F \to U(D \to R) \text{ in } \mathbb{D}}$$

$$\overline{F^* \to D \to R \text{ in Mon}(\mathbb{D})}$$

$$\overline{U(F^*) \star UD \to UR \text{ measuring in } \mathbb{D}}$$

#### Sweedler hom from a free monoid

• The Sweedler hom  $\mathcal{M}(F^*,R)$  is  $(F \to UR)^{\dagger}$  (a cofree comonoid):

$$\frac{D \to (F \to UR)^{\dagger} \text{ in } \mathsf{Comon}(\mathbb{D})}{\underbrace{\frac{UD \to F \to UR \text{ in } \mathbb{D}}{F \to UD \to UR \text{ in } \mathbb{D}}}_{F \to U(D \to R) \text{ in } \mathbb{D}}}_{F^* \to D \to R \text{ in } \mathsf{Mon}(\mathbb{D})}$$

$$\frac{D \to \mathcal{M}(F^*, R) \text{ in } \mathsf{Comon}(\mathbb{D})}$$

• For  $FX=1+X^2$ , we have  $F^*X\cong \mu X'.X+1+X'^2$ . We can calculate  $(F \to UR)Y\cong R0+R(2\times Y)$ . So  $\mathcal{M}(F^*,R)Y\cong \nu Y'.Y\times R0\times R(2\times Y')$ . For RZ=Z, this means  $\mathcal{M}(F^*,R)Y\cong 0$ . For RZ=Z+1, we get  $\mathcal{M}(F^*,R)Y\cong \nu Y'.Y\times (2\times Y'+1)$ .

## Sweedler copower of a free monoid

 Similarly, the Sweedler copower D > F\* is (F \* UD)\* (a free monoid):

$$\frac{(F \star UD)^* \to R \text{ in Mon}(\mathbb{D})}{\frac{F \star UD \to UR \text{ in } \mathbb{D}}{F \to UD \to UR \text{ in } \mathbb{D}}}{F \to U(D \to R) \text{ in } \mathbb{D}}}{\frac{F^* \to D \to R \text{ in Mon}(\mathbb{D})}{D \rhd F^* \to R \text{ in Mon}(\mathbb{D})}}$$

• For  $FX=1+X^2$ , we have  $F^*X\cong \mu X'.X+1+X'^2$ . We can calculate  $(F\star UD)X\cong D1+D(Z^2)$ . So  $(D\rhd F^*)Z\cong \mu Z'.Z+D1+D(Z'^2)$ .

## The general case?

- But how to construct  $\mathcal{M}(T,R)$  and  $D \rhd T$  nicely and usefully for a general non-free monoid T?
- One possibility is a construction for coequalizers in Mon(D).
- We look at a construction for monoids in  $\mathbb{D}=[\mathbb{C},\mathbb{C}]_a$  using a (co)algebraic approach.

# A (co)algebraic view

 Mnd.-cmnd. int. laws are in a bijection with coalgebra-algebra internal-homming functors:

$$T(Y \multimap Z) \to DY \multimap RZ$$
 nat. in  $Y, Z$  subj. to eqs.

$$(\mathsf{coEM}(D))^{\mathrm{op}} \times \mathsf{EM}(R) \longrightarrow \mathsf{EM}(T)$$

$$\downarrow U^{\mathrm{op}} \times U \qquad \qquad \downarrow U$$

$$\mathbb{C}^{\mathrm{op}} \times \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$(\mathsf{coKI}(D))^{\mathrm{op}} \times \mathsf{KI}(R) \longrightarrow \mathsf{EM}(T)$$

$$\downarrow \kappa^{\mathrm{op}} \times \kappa \qquad \qquad \downarrow U$$

$$\mathbb{C}^{\mathrm{op}} \times \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

# A (co)algebraic view ctd.

• Explicitly, given a mnd.-cmnd. int. law  $\psi$ , the corresponding (co)alg. exp. functor E sends a coalgebra  $(Y,\chi)$  of D and an algebra  $(Z,\zeta)$  of R to the algebra  $(Y \multimap Z,\xi)$  of T where

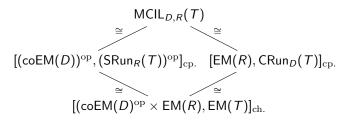
$$\xi = T(Y \multimap Z) \xrightarrow{\psi_{Y,Z}} DY \multimap RZ \xrightarrow{\chi \multimap \zeta} Y \multimap Z$$

Conversely, given a (co)alg. exp. functor E,
 the corresponding mnd.-cmnd. int. law is

$$\psi_{Y,Z} = T(Y \multimap Z) \xrightarrow{T(\varepsilon_Y \multimap \eta_Z^R)} T(DY \multimap RZ) \xrightarrow{e_{Y,Z}} DY \multimap RZ$$
where  $(DY \multimap RZ, e_{Y,Z}) = E((DY, \delta_Y), (RZ, \mu_Z^R)).$ 

#### Intermediate views

• In fact, the picture is finer, there are also two intermediate bijections:



#### where

 $\mathsf{MCIL}_{D,R}(T)$  - interaction laws of T, D, R  $\mathsf{SRun}_R(T)$  - R-residual stateful runners of T  $\mathsf{CRun}_D(T)$  - D-fuelled continuation-based runners of T cp. - preserving carriers ch. - internal-homming carriers

#### Stateful runners

For any Y, we have

*R-residual stateful runners* of T w/ carrier Y, ie.  $TX \times Y \rightarrow R(X \times Y)$  nat. in X subj. to eqs.

monad morphisms from T to  $\operatorname{St}_Y^R$ , ie.  $TX \to Y \multimap R(X \times Y)$  nat. in X subj. to eqs.

$$EM(R) \longrightarrow EM(T)$$

$$\downarrow U \qquad \qquad \downarrow U$$

$$\mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{Y \multimap -} \mathbb{C}$$

where  $St_Y^R$  is the *R*-transformed state monad for state object Y, given by

$$St_Y^R X = Y \multimap R(X \times Y)$$

#### Stateful runners ctd.

• More informatively (also characterizing stateful runner maps),  $SRun_R(T)$  is the following pullback in CAT:

- If U is comonadic, then by the univ. property of  $\mathcal{M}(T,R)$  this pullback is also the coEM category of  $\mathcal{M}(T,R)$ .
- If  $\mathbb C$  is locally presentable and  $\mathcal T$ ,  $\mathcal R$  are accessible, which we assume, then  $\mathcal U$  is comonadic.
- Eg., for  $TX = S \Rightarrow X$  (the reader monad), RZ = Z, we have  $SRun_R(T) \cong \mathbb{C}/S \cong coEM(D)$  where  $DY = S \times Y$  (the coreader comonad).

  The same holds for RZ = Z + 1.

#### Continuation-based runners ctd.

For any Z, we have

D-fuelled continuation-based runners of 
$$T$$
 w/ carrier  $Z$ , ie.  $D(X \multimap Z) \to TX \multimap Z$  nat. in  $X$  subj. to eqs.

monad morphisms from T to  $Cnt_Z^D$ , ie.  $TX \to D(X \multimap Z) \multimap Z$  nat. in X subj. to eqs.

$$(\operatorname{coEM}(D))^{\operatorname{op}} \longrightarrow \operatorname{EM}(T)$$

$$U^{\operatorname{op}} \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow U$$

$$\mathbb{C}^{\operatorname{op}} \xrightarrow{--\circ Z} \mathbb{C}$$

where  $Cnt_Z^D$  is the *D-transformed continuation monad* for answer object Z, given by

$$\operatorname{Cnt}_Z^D X = D(X \multimap Z) \multimap Z$$

#### Continuation-based runners ctd.

• Moreover,  $CRun_D(T)$  is this pullback:

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathsf{CRun}_D(T) & \longrightarrow [(\mathsf{coEM}(D))^\mathrm{op}, \mathsf{EM}(T)] \\ \downarrow \psi \\ \mathbb{C} & \xrightarrow{Z \mapsto - - \circ Z} & [\mathbb{C}^\mathrm{op}, \mathbb{C}] & \xrightarrow{[U^\mathrm{op}, \mathbb{C}]} & [(\mathsf{coEM}(D))^\mathrm{op}, \mathbb{C}] \end{array}$$

- If U is monadic, then by the univ. property of  $D \triangleright T$  the same pullback is also the EM category of  $D \triangleright T$ .
- If  $\mathbb C$  is locally presentable and T, D are accessible, which we assume, then U is monadic.

## Not today

- Strong (enriched) monad-comonad int. laws
- For  $\mathbb V$  a monoidal category acting on  $\mathbb C$ , T a  $\mathbb V$ -strong monad on  $\mathbb V$ , D a  $\mathbb V$ -strong comonad on  $\mathbb C$ , R a  $\mathbb V$ -strong monad on  $\mathbb C$ , an int. law. is a  $\mathbb V$ -strong nat. transf.  $TX \bullet DY \to R(X \bullet Y)$ .

- Int. laws for (co)monads given by (co)models of theories
- The Sweedler dual of *T* induced by models of a theory is induced by comodels of the same theory.

#### **Takeaway**

- Functor-functor and monad-comonad interaction laws generalize to object-object and monoid-comonoid interaction laws in duoidal categories.
- Final interacting (co)monoids, initial residual monoids have been studied in algebra, in Sweedler theory.
- The Sweedler theory perspective allows working with interaction laws at a very abstract level.
- For certain calculations specifically for monad-comonad interaction laws, combinationwith the (co)algebraic perspective is helpful.

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