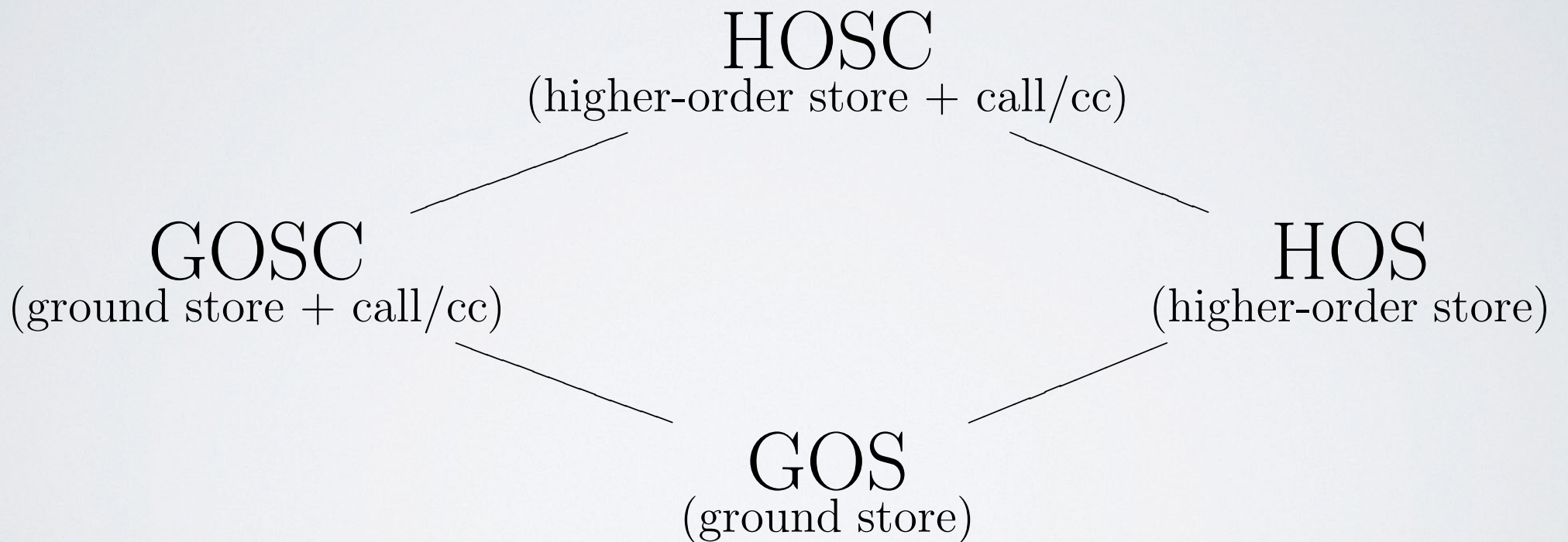


**COMPOSITIONAL  
RELATIONAL REASONING  
VIA  
OPERATIONAL GAME  
SEMANTICS**

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# HIGHER-ORDER CALL-BY-VALUE LANGUAGES WITH STATE



# CONTEXTUAL EQUIVALENCE

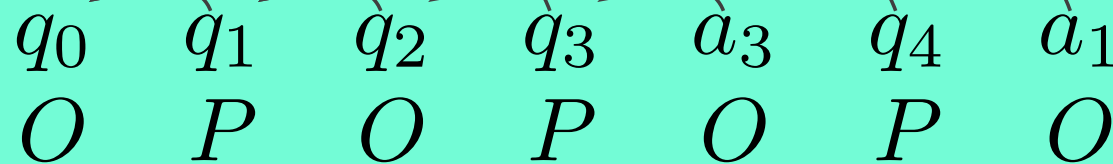
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$$M_1 \stackrel{\mathbf{x}}{\cong} M_2$$

$M_1, M_2$  cannot be distinguished by  $\mathbf{x}$ -contexts.

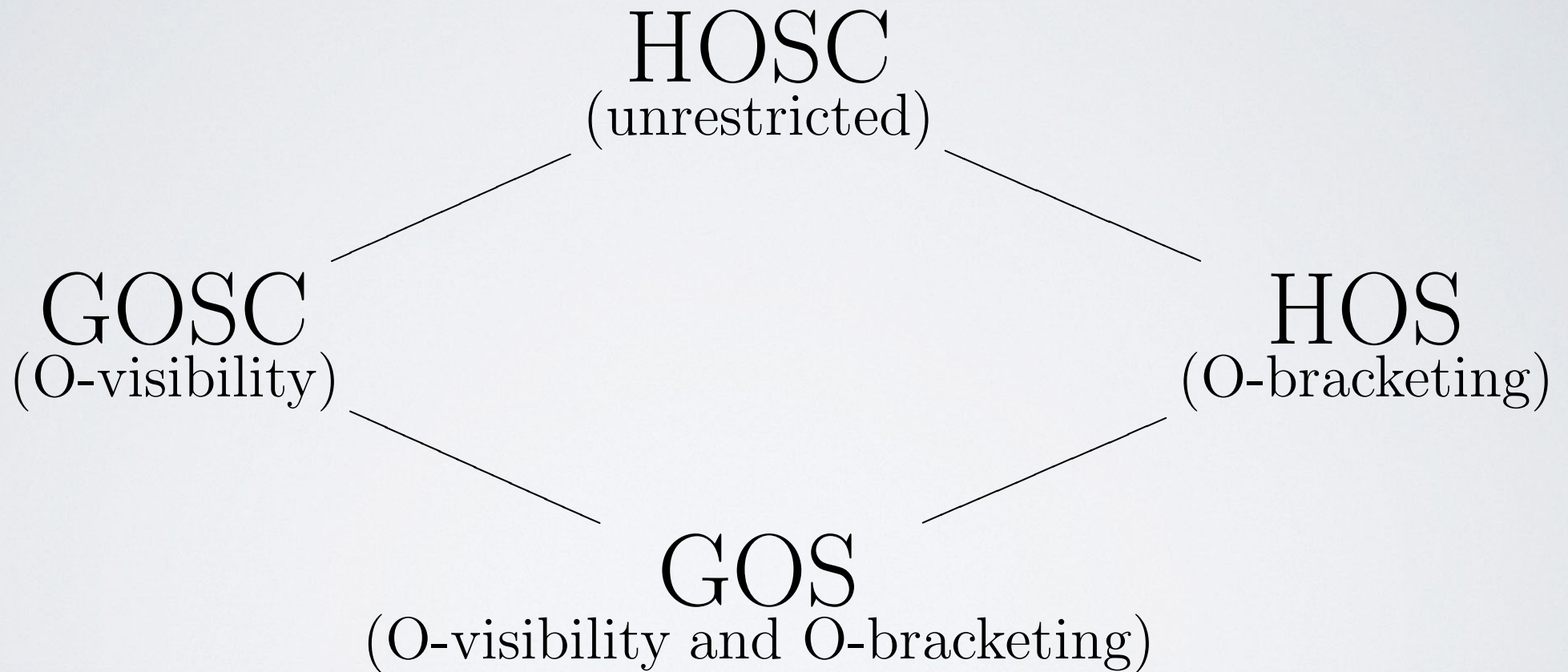
# GAME SEMANTICS

- Interaction modelled as an exchange of moves between two players (O-context, P-term)



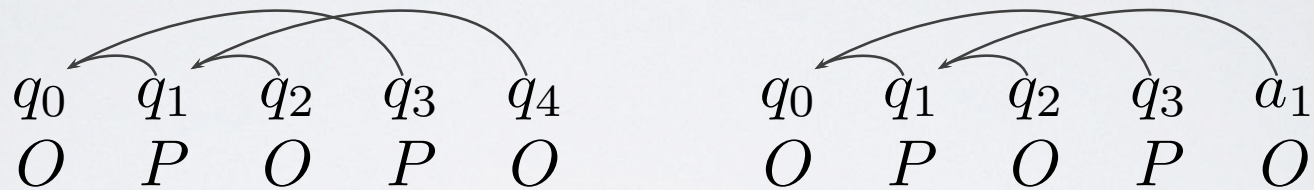
- Constraints on contexts can be expressed as restrictions on the shape of play for O-moves.

**Results from the 1990s:** Abramsky, Jagadeesan, Malacaria, Hyland, Ong, Laird, Honda, McCusker

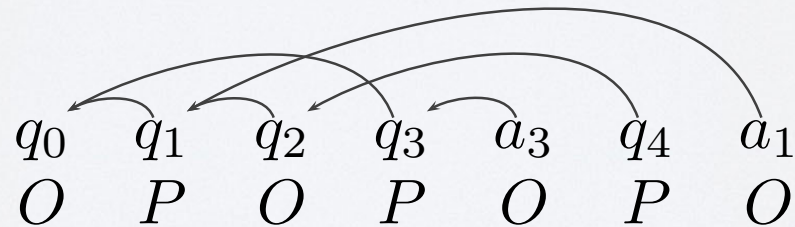


# CONSTRAINTS ON O-PLAY

- O-visibility (violation)



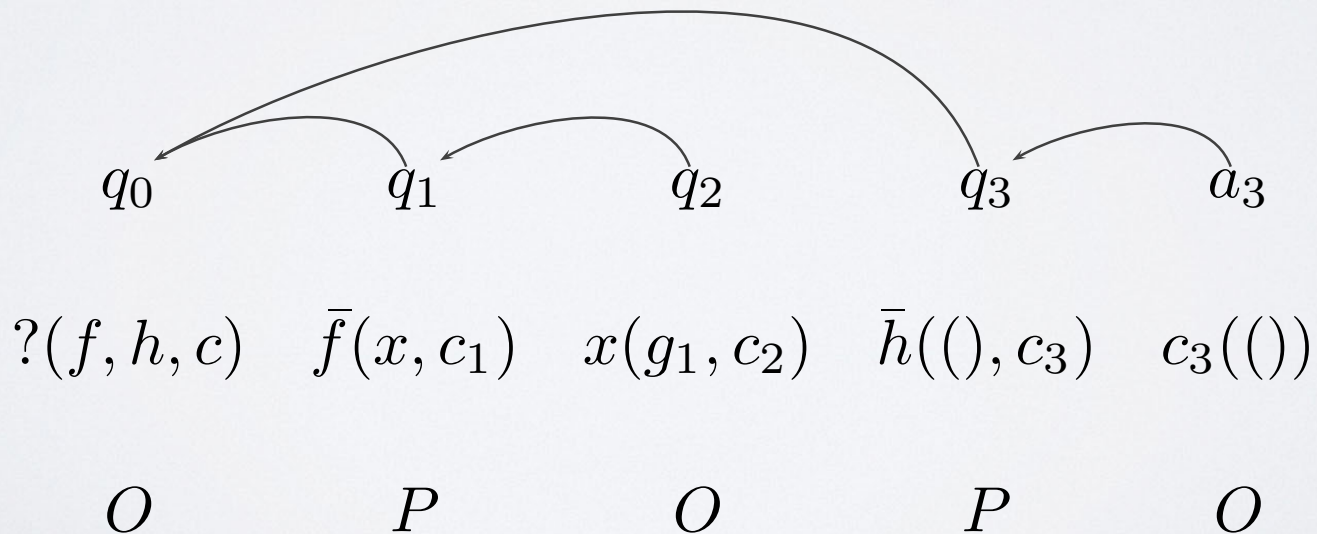
- O-bracketing (violation)



# LTS-BASED ACCOUNT

**Theorem** (Jaber, M. (ESOP'21)). Let  $\mathbf{Tr}_x(M)$  be the set of traces generated by  $M$  in  $\mathcal{L}_x$ , where  $x \in \{\text{HOSC}, \text{GOSC}, \text{HOS}, \text{GOS}\}$ .

$M_1 \cong^x M_2$  if and only if  $\mathbf{Tr}_x(M_1) = \mathbf{Tr}_x(M_2)$ .



# LTS

$$\begin{array}{l}
 (P\tau) \quad \langle M, c, \gamma, \phi, h, H_F, H_C \rangle \xrightarrow{\tau} \langle N, c', \gamma, \phi, h', H_F, H_C \rangle \\
 \quad \text{when } (M, c, h) \rightarrow (N, c', h') \\
 (PA) \quad \langle V, c, \gamma, \phi, h, H_F, H_C \rangle \xrightarrow{\bar{c}(A)} \langle \gamma \cdot \gamma', \phi \uplus \nu(A), h, H_F, H_C, F_{PA}^x \uplus \nu(A), C_{PA}^x \rangle \\
 \quad \text{when } c : \sigma, (A, \gamma') \in \mathbf{AVal}_\sigma(V) \\
 (PQ) \quad \langle K[fV], c, \gamma, \phi, h, H_F, H_C \rangle \xrightarrow{\bar{f}(A, c')} \langle \gamma \cdot \gamma' \cdot [c' \mapsto (K, c)], \phi \uplus \phi', h, H_F, H_C, F_{PQ}^x \uplus \nu(A), C_{PQ}^x \uplus \{c'\} \rangle \\
 \quad \text{when } f : \sigma \rightarrow \sigma', (A, \gamma') \in \mathbf{AVal}_\sigma(V), c' : \sigma' \text{ and } \phi' = \nu(A) \uplus \{c'\} \\
 (OA) \quad \langle \gamma, \phi, h, H_F, H_C, Fn, Cn \rangle \xrightarrow{c(A)} \langle K[A], c', \gamma, \phi \uplus \nu(A), h, H_F \cdot [\nu(A) \mapsto Fn], H_C \cdot [\nu(A) \mapsto Cn] \rangle \\
 \quad \text{when } c \in Cn, c : \sigma, A : \sigma, \gamma(c) = (K, c') \\
 (OQ) \quad \langle \gamma, \phi, h, H_F, H_C, Fn, Cn \rangle \xrightarrow{f(A, c)} \langle VA, c, \gamma, \phi \uplus \phi', h, H_F \cdot [\phi' \mapsto Fn], H_C \cdot [\phi' \mapsto Cn] \rangle \\
 \quad \text{when } f \in Fn, f : \sigma \rightarrow \sigma', A : \sigma, c : \sigma', \gamma(f) = V \text{ and } \phi' = \nu(A) \uplus \{c\}
 \end{array}$$



# LTS INSTANTIATION

$\mathbf{x}$	$F_{PA}^{\mathbf{x}}$	$C_{PA}^{\mathbf{x}}$	$F_{PQ}^{\mathbf{x}}$	$C_{PQ}^{\mathbf{x}}$
HOSC	$\phi_{PF}$	$\phi_{PC}$	$\phi_{PF}$	$\phi_{PC}$
GOSC	$H_F(c)$	$H_C(c)$	$H_F(f)$	$H_C(f)$
HOS	$\phi_{PF}$	$H_C(c)$	$\phi_{PF}$	$\emptyset$
GOS	$H_F(c)$	$H_C(c)$	$H_F(f)$	$\emptyset$

# TOWARDS KRIPKE NORMAL-FORM BISIMULATIONS

- The LTS can be used off the shelf prove equivalences via trace equivalence and bisimilarity.
- To achieve robustness, we will employ a combination of Kripke-style reasoning about heap invariants (Pitts, Stark, Ahmed, Dreyer, Rossberg, Neis, Birkedal) and normal-form/open bisimulations (Sangiorgi, Stovring, Lassen, Levy, ...).
- Uniform treatment of all four languages.

# WORLD TRANSITION SYSTEMS

**Definition.** A *world transition system* (WTS)  $\mathcal{A}$  is a triple  $(\text{Worlds}, \sqsubseteq_{\text{OQ}}, \sqsubseteq_{\text{OA}}, \mathcal{I})$ , where  $\text{Worlds}$  is a set of states (*worlds*),  $\sqsubseteq_{\text{OQ}}$ ,  $\sqsubseteq_{\text{OA}}$  are binary reflexive relations on  $\text{Worlds}$ , and  $\mathcal{I} : \text{Worlds} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\text{Heap} \times \text{Heap})$  is the *invariant assignment* that associates a set of pairs of heaps to any world.

## Two accessibility relations

- $w \sqsubseteq_{\text{OQ}} w'$ : functions available to O in  $w$  are available in  $w'$
- $w \sqsubseteq_{\text{OA}} w'$ : continuations available to O in  $w$  are available in  $w'$

# $\mathcal{A}$ -KNFB: $(\mathcal{V}_A^x, \mathcal{K}_A^x, \mathcal{E}_A^x)$

- $(V_1, V_2, w, \mathcal{H}) \in \mathcal{V}_A^x$

$$\forall w' \sqsupseteq_{\text{OQ}}^* w. \forall A, c \text{ (fresh)}. (V_1 A, c, V_2 A, c, w', \mathcal{H}[\nu(A), c \mapsto w']) \in \mathcal{E}_A^x$$

- $(K_1, c_1, K_2, c_2, w, \mathcal{H}) \in \mathcal{K}_A^x$

$$\forall w' \sqsupseteq_{\text{OA}}^* w. \forall A \text{ (fresh)}. (K_1[A], c_1, K_2[A], c_2, w', \mathcal{H}[\nu(A) \mapsto w']) \in \mathcal{E}_A^x$$

- $(M_1, c_1, M_2, c_2, w, \mathcal{H}) \in \mathcal{E}_A^x$

$$\forall (h_1, h_2) \in \mathcal{I}(w). P_{Div} \vee P_{PA} \vee P_{PQ}$$

$\mathcal{E}_A^x$ 

$$P_{Div} \triangleq (M_1, c_1, h_1) \uparrow \wedge (M_2, c_2, h_2) \uparrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{PA} \triangleq & \exists V_1, V_2, c, h'_1, h'_2, w'. \\ & (M_1, c_1, h_1) \rightarrow^* (V_1, c, h'_1) \wedge (M_2, c_2, h_2) \rightarrow^* (V_2, c, h'_2) \wedge \\ & (h'_1, h'_2) \in \mathcal{I}(w') \wedge (V_1, V_2, w', \mathcal{H}) \in \mathcal{V}_A^x \wedge \\ & (w, \mathcal{H}) \sqsubseteq_c^x w' \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{PQ} \triangleq & \exists K_1, V_1, K_2, V_2, c'_1, c'_2, f, w'. \\ & (M_1, c_1, h_1) \rightarrow^* (K_1[fV_1], c'_1, h'_1) \wedge (M_2, c_2, h_2) \rightarrow^* (K_2[fV_2], c'_2, h'_2) \wedge \\ & (h'_1, h'_2) \in \mathcal{I}(w') \wedge (V_1, V_2, w', \mathcal{H}) \in \mathcal{V}_A^x \wedge (K_1, c'_1, K_2, c'_2, w', \mathcal{H}) \in \mathcal{K}_A^x \wedge \\ & (w, \mathcal{H}) \sqsubseteq_f^x w' \end{aligned}$$

# $\sqsubseteq_c^{\mathbf{x}}$ and $\sqsubseteq_f^{\mathbf{x}}$

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$\mathbf{x}$	$(w, \mathcal{H}) \sqsubseteq_c^{\mathbf{x}} w'$	$(w, \mathcal{H}) \sqsubseteq_f^{\mathbf{x}} w'$
HOSC	$w \sqsubseteq_{OQ} w' \wedge w \sqsubseteq_{OA} w'$	$w \sqsubseteq_{OQ} w' \wedge w \sqsubseteq_{OA} w'$
GOSC	$\mathcal{H}(c) \sqsubseteq_{OQ} w' \wedge \mathcal{H}(c) \sqsubseteq_{OA} w'$	$\mathcal{H}(f) \sqsubseteq_{OQ} w' \wedge \mathcal{H}(f) \sqsubseteq_{OA} w'$
HOS	$w \sqsubseteq_{OQ} w' \wedge \mathcal{H}(c) \sqsubseteq_{OA} w'$	$w \sqsubseteq_{OQ} w'$
GOS	$\mathcal{H}(c) \sqsubseteq_{OQ} w' \wedge \mathcal{H}(c) \sqsubseteq_{OA} w'$	$\mathcal{H}(f) \sqsubseteq_{OQ} w'$

# FULL ABSTRACTION

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if and only if there exists a WTS  $\mathcal{A}$ , initial world  $w_0$  such that  $(\emptyset, \emptyset) \in \mathcal{I}(w_0)$  and

$$(M_1, c, M_2, c, w_0, [c \mapsto w_0]) \in \mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{A}}^{\mathbf{x}}.$$

Comparison with **Kripke logical relations**:  
Dreyer, Neis, Birkedal (ICFP'10, JFP 2012)

	GOSC	HOS
game semantics	O-visibility	O-bracketing
Kripke logical relations	backtracking	private vs public
Kripke nf-bisimulations	$\mathcal{H}(n) \sqsubseteq_{\text{OQ}} w'$ $\mathcal{H}(n) \sqsubseteq_{\text{OA}} w'$	$w \sqsubseteq_{\text{OQ}} w'$ $\mathcal{H}(c) \sqsubseteq_{\text{OA}} w'$ (Q vs A)



# SUMMARY

- Relational techniques derived from game models in a uniform fashion
- Soundness and completeness (without biorthogonal closure)
- Abstraction, compositionality, direct style, lightweight quantification
- Scope for automation and generalisation