

From Lock Freedom to Progress Using Session Types

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The problem

$$(\nu ab)(\nu cd) \left(\begin{array}{l} a?(x).d!x \\ c?(y).b!y \end{array} \right)$$

$a : ?int$ $d : !int$
 $b : !int$ $c : ?int$

- two distinct sessions
- each session is well typed
- the system makes no **progress**

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- one constraint on type rules for **inputs** *
- three constraints on **session types**

Outline

- ① Processes & Types
- ② Constraints
- ③ Examples
- ④ Remarks

The language

$P ::=$		Process
	0	(idle process)
	$u?(x).P$	(input)
	$u!e.P$	(output)
	$P \mid P$	(composition)
	$(\nu ab)P$	(session)
	$\text{def } X(\vec{u}) = P \text{ in } P$	(definition)
	$X\langle\vec{u}\rangle$	(invocation)

+ unbounded FIFO queues (**asynchronous** communication)

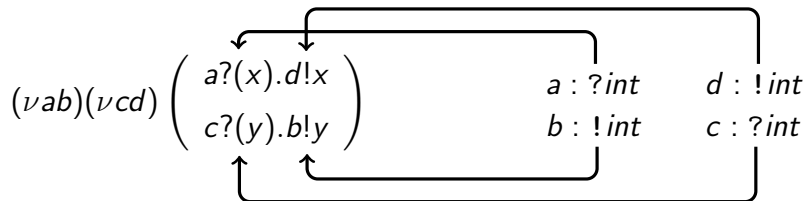
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blocking action ends **before** **blocked** actions begin

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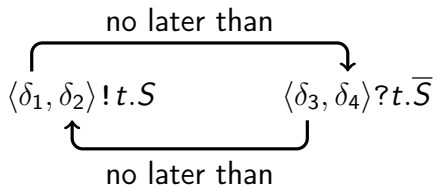
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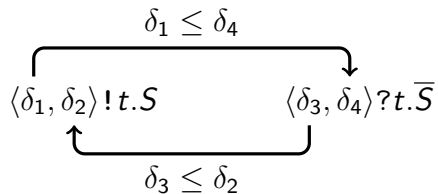
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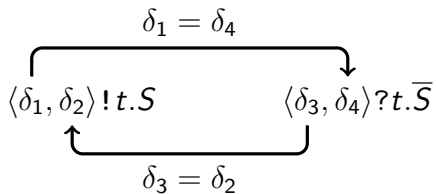
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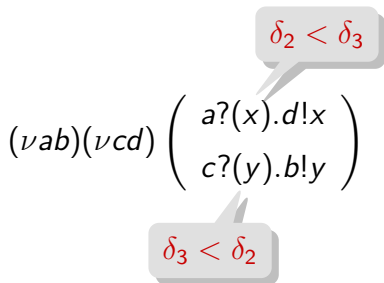
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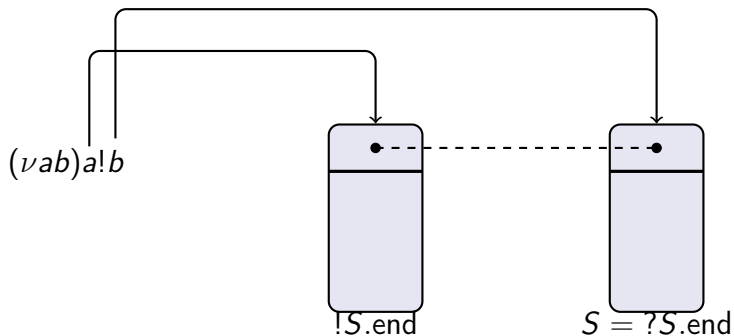
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A bracket connects the δ_2 in the second line to the δ_3 in the first line.

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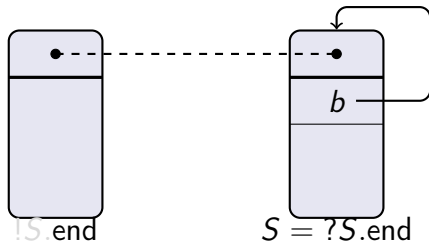
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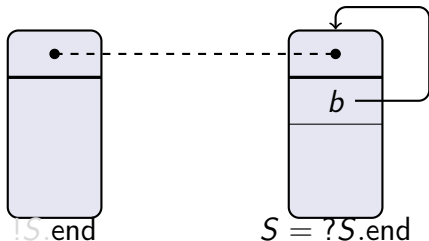
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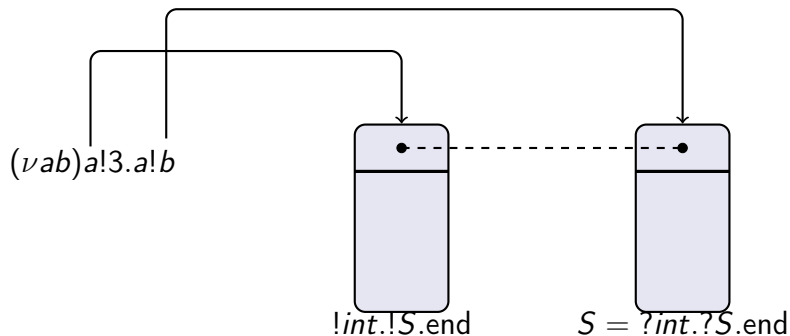
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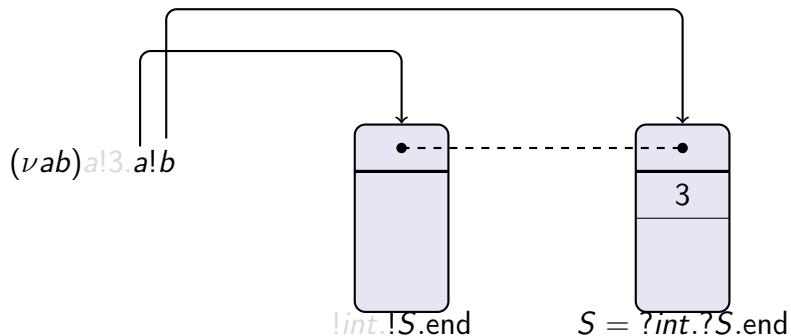
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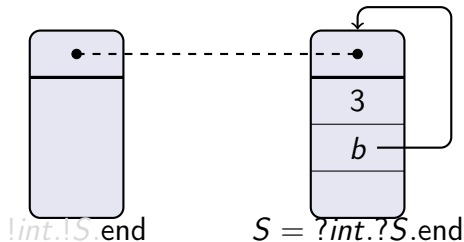


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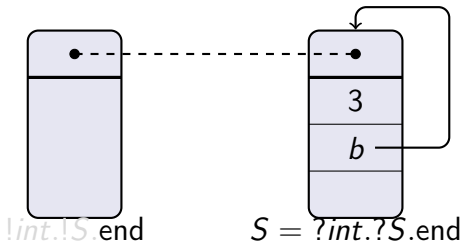
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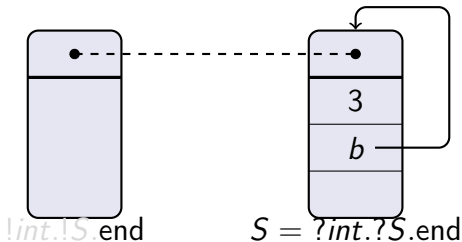
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 - simpler than [1]: **duality** vs **reliability** (and **subtyping**)
- 👉 **C4** is new: **asynchrony** matters
- [1] Kobayashi, **A Type System for Lock-Free Processes**, Inf. and Comp., 2002
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What's next?

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- inference **tool** (Haskell implementation, coming soon)