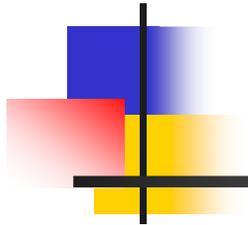
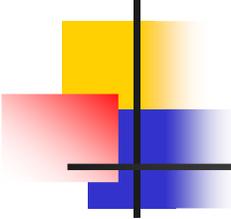


# *Klaim: A Kernel Language for Agents Interaction and Mobility*



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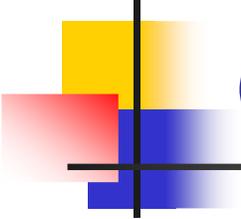
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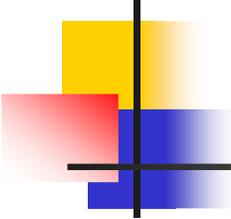
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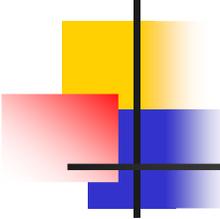
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# Global Systems

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- Are *Distributed Systems* with distinguishing features:
  - Wide area distribution
  - Variable interconnection structures
  - (Physical and Logical) Mobility
  - Latency and bandwidth issues
  - Failures

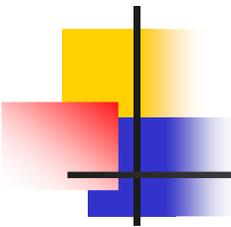


# Programming Global Systems

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## Explicit Primitives for

- Distribution  
*computing over different (explicit) localities*
- Mobility  
*moving agents and computations over localities*
- Concurrency  
*considering parallel and non-deterministic computations*
- Access Rights  
*maintaining privacy and integrity of data*



# Explicit Mechanisms for

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- Distribution

*need to program distribution over localities*

- Mobility

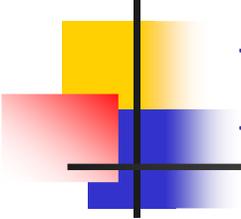
*need mobility of computations among localities*

- Concurrency

*deal with parallel and non-deterministic comput.*

- Access Rights

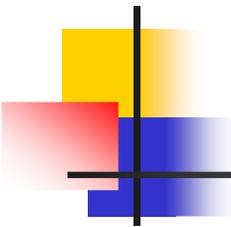
*need to maintain privacy and integrity of data*



# Formal Semantics

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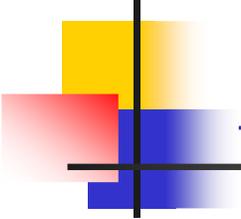
- We need verification techniques.
- We aim at developing a simple programming language for network aware and migrating applications with a tractable semantic theory that permits program verification.



# Calculus of Communicating Systems

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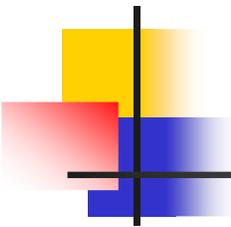
- CCS provides a small set of operators that may be used to construct system descriptions compositionally
- Basic blocks of system definitions are actions and the null process
- Actions represent atomic and uninterruptible execution steps



# Actions in CCS

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- Actions represent:
  - either signal inputs on *ports* ( $\alpha$ )
  - or signal outputs on *ports* ( $\underline{\alpha}$ )
  - or internal computational steps ( $\tau$ )



# CCS Operators

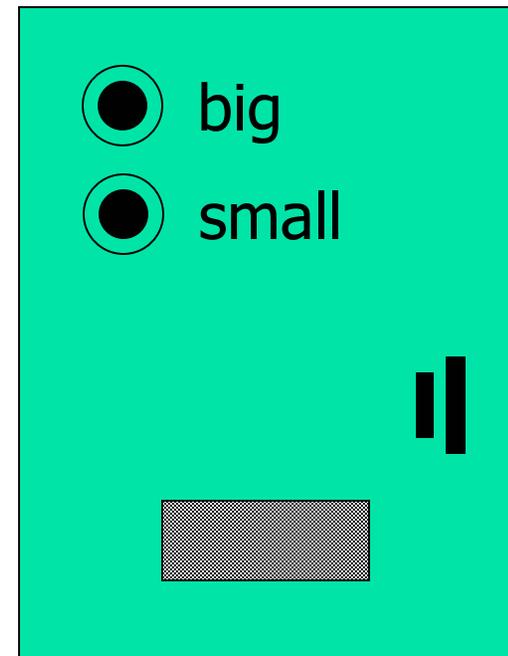
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- $nil$  (terminated process)
- $a.P$  (action prefixing)
- $P_1+P_2$  (non deterministic choice)
- $P_1 \mid P_2$  (parallel composition)
- $P \setminus L$  (restriction)
- $P[f]$  (relabeling)
- $V=P$  (process definition)

# A Simple Example

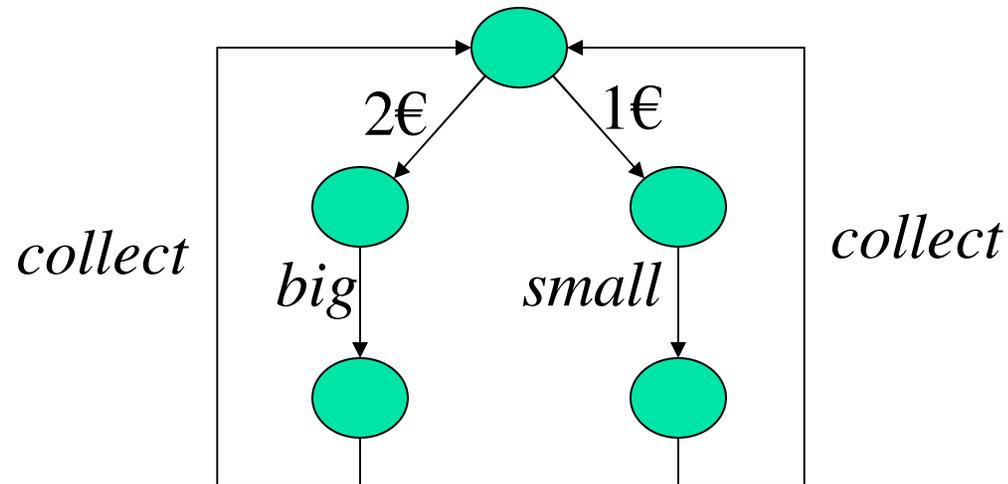
- A vending machine
  - A big chocolate costs 2€
  - A small chocolate costs 1€

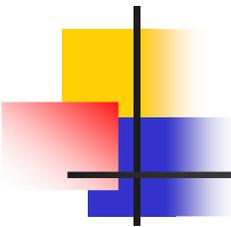
$$V = 2\text{€}.big.collect.V + 1\text{€}.small.collect.V$$



# Operational Semantics

$$V = 2\text{€}.big.collect.V + 1\text{€}.small.collect.V$$

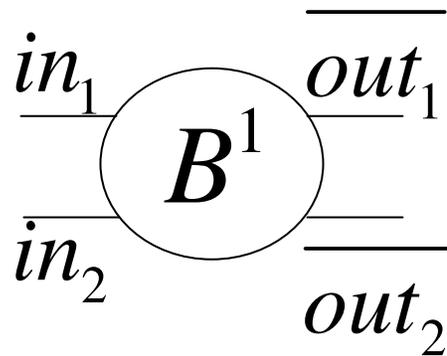


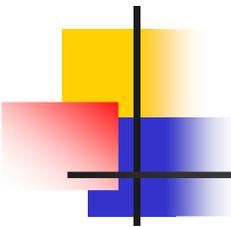


# Buffer ( $n=1$ )

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$$B^1 = in_1.\overline{out_1}.B^1 + in_2.\overline{out_2}.B^1$$





# Value passing

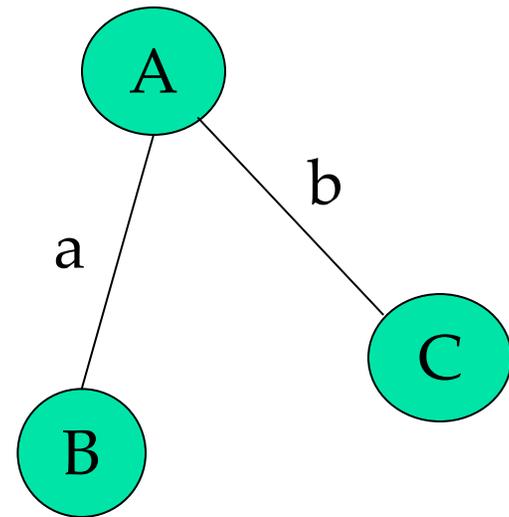
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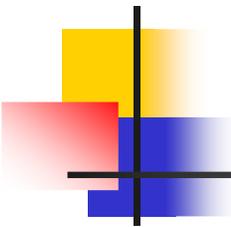
- Explicit values instead of signals:
  - $in(x).P$
  - $out(v).P$
- Example:

$$B^1 = in_1(x).\overline{out_1(x)}.B^1$$

# Static Port

- There is no mobility
- B and C cannot directly interact (no common channel)

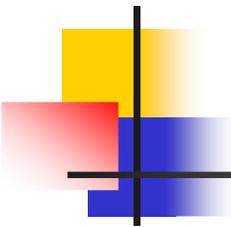




# $\pi$ -calculus

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- There is a set of names  $X$  ( $x, y, z \in X$ )
- Action prefixes of  $\pi$ -calculus are:
  - $x(y)$  (receive  $y$  along  $x$ )
  - $\underline{x}\langle y \rangle$  (send  $y$  along  $x$ )
  - $\tau$  (unobservable action)



# $\pi$ -calculus

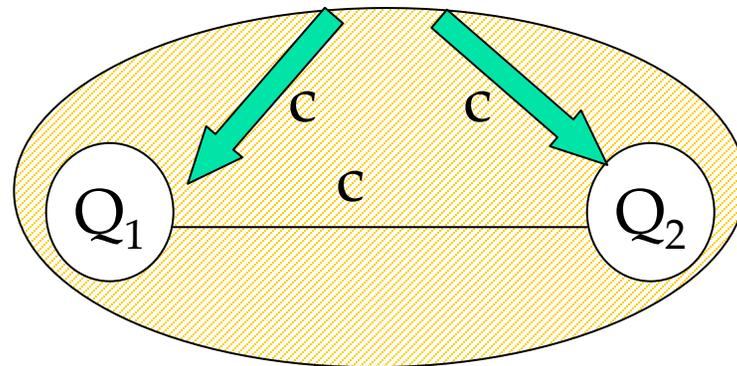
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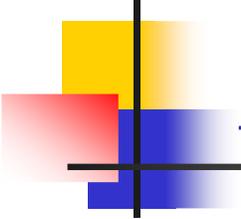
- $nil$  (terminated process)
- $(\nu a)P$  (new name)
- $\pi.P$  (action prefixing)
- $P_1 | P_2$  (parallel composition)
- $P_1 + P_2$  (non deterministic choice)
- $!P$  (replication)

# Mobility in $\pi$ -calculus

$$P_1 = a(x).Q_1 \quad P_2 = b(x).Q_2$$

$$Q = (vc)a\langle c \rangle.b\langle c \rangle.nil$$





# Ambients

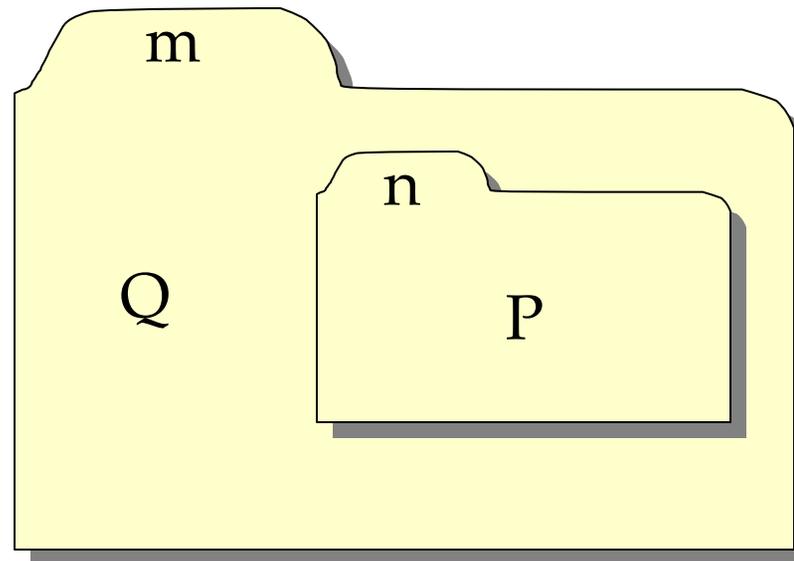
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- An ambient is a *bounded* place where computation happens;
- Ambients can be nested within other ambients, forming a tree structure;
- Each ambient:
  - has a collection of running processes;
  - moves as a whole with all its subcomponents;
  - has a name.

# Ambients mobility

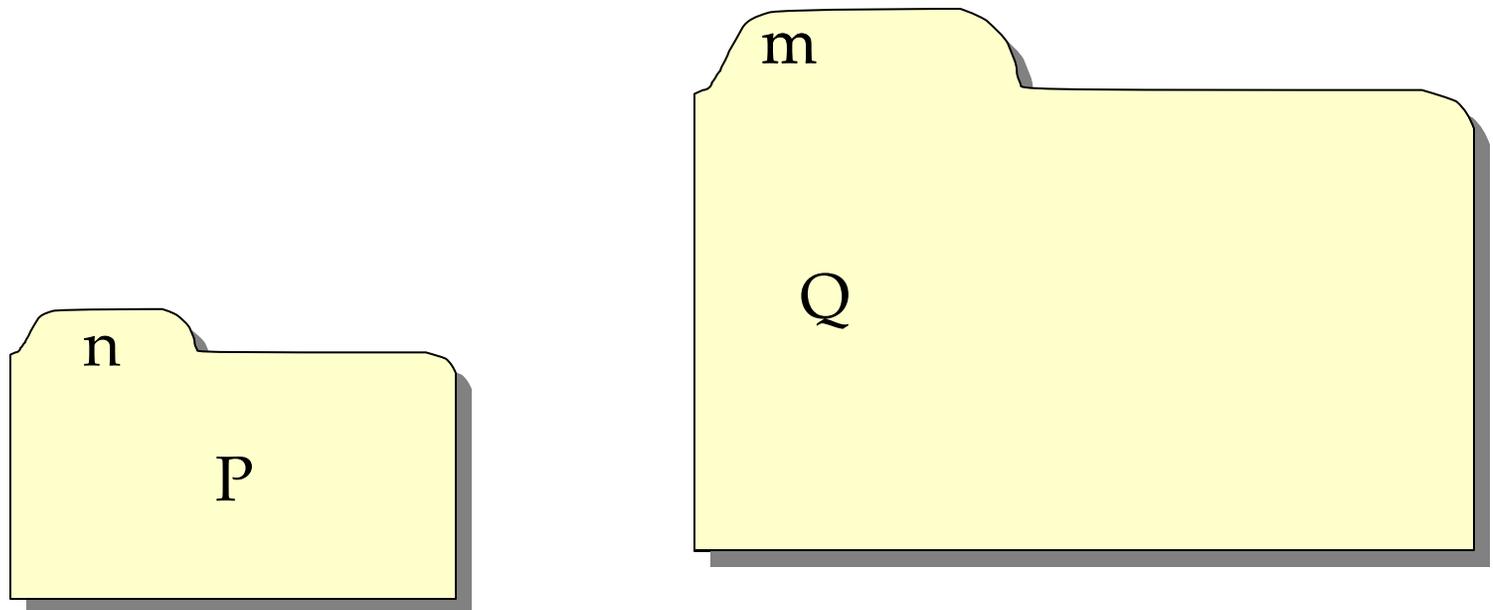
- The enter reduction:

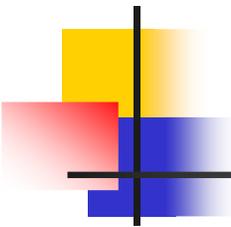
$$n[\text{in}(m). P] \parallel m[Q]$$



# Ambients mobility

- The exit reduction:  $m[n[\text{out}(m). P] \mid \mid Q]$





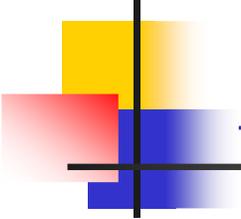
# Ambients mobility

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- The open reduction:  
 $\text{open}(n).Q \parallel n[P]$

Q

P

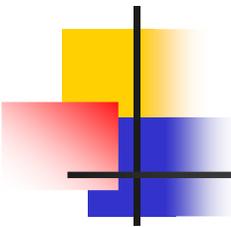


# Ambients Communication

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- A message:  $\langle M \rangle$
- Read action:  $(x).P$

$P[M/x]$

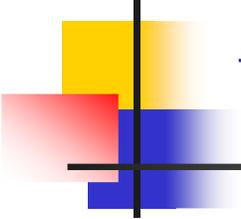


# Klaim

*Kernel Language for Agent Interaction and Mobility*

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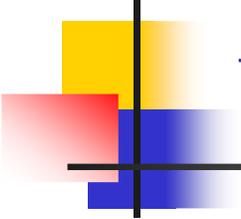
- Process Algebra Flavored
- Linda based communication model:
  - Asynchronous communication;
  - Via tuple space.
- Explicit use of *localities*:
  - Multiple distributed tuple spaces.
- Code mobility.



# Linda Communication Model

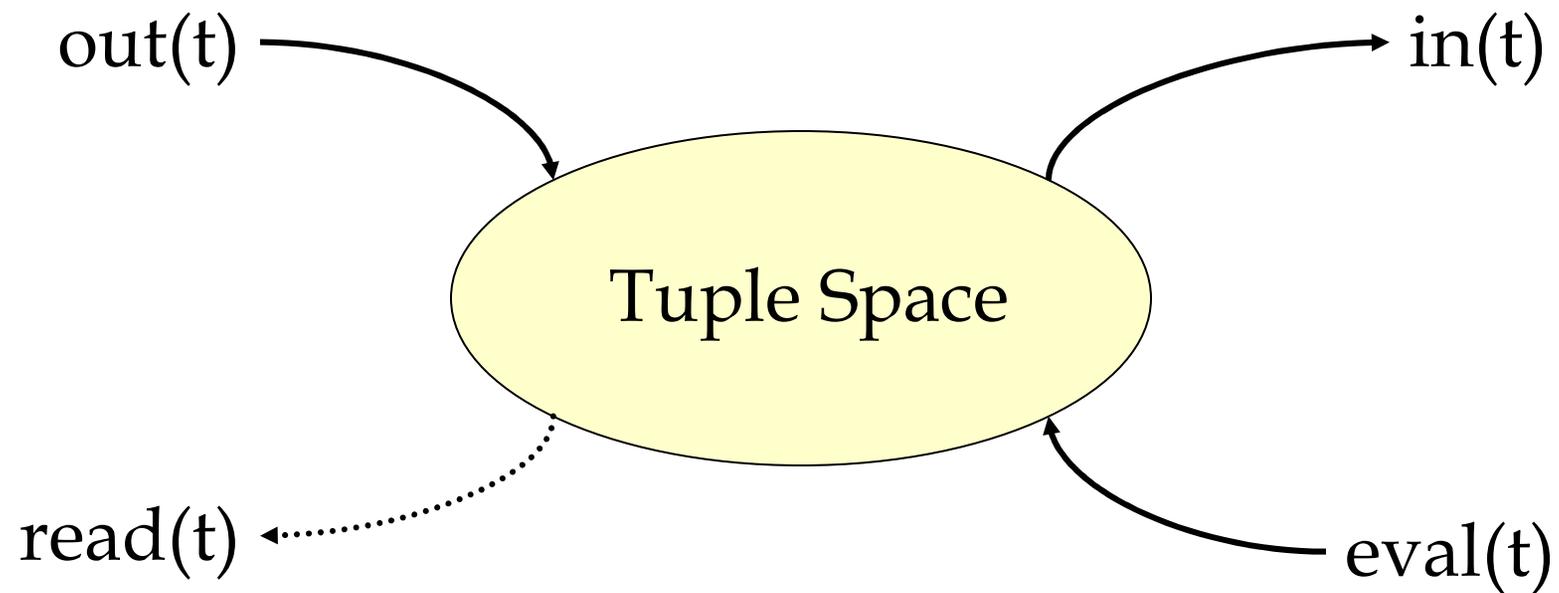
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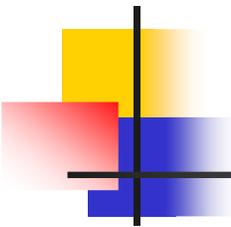
- Tuples (“foo”, 10+5, !x)
  - Formal Fields
  - Actual Fields
- Pattern Matching:
  - Formal fields match any field of the same type
  - Actual fields match if identical  
 (“foo”, 10+5, true) matches (!s, 15, !b)



# Linda Communication Model

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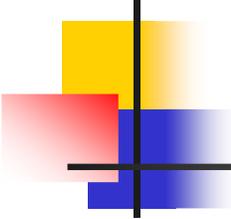


# Philosophers dining with Linda

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Phil(int i) { while true {  
    think();  
    in("ticket"); in("fork", i); in("fork", i+1%5);  
  
    eat();  
    out("fork", i); out("fork", i+1%5); out("ticket")}}
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main() {  
    int I; for{ (i=0; i<5,i++)  
        out("fork", i); eval(Phil(i));  
        if (i<4) out("ticket")}}
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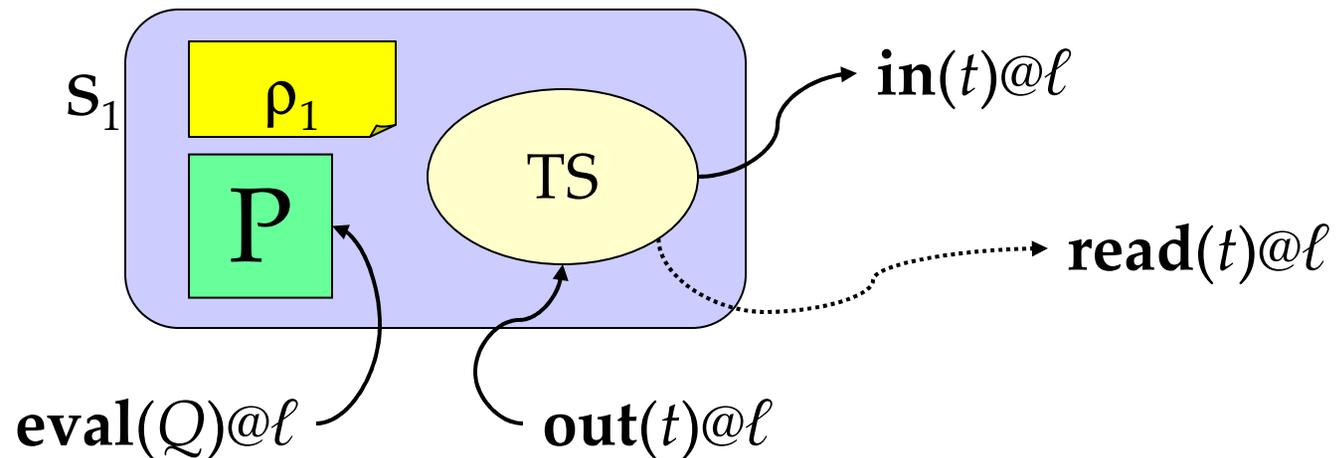
# From Linda to Klaim

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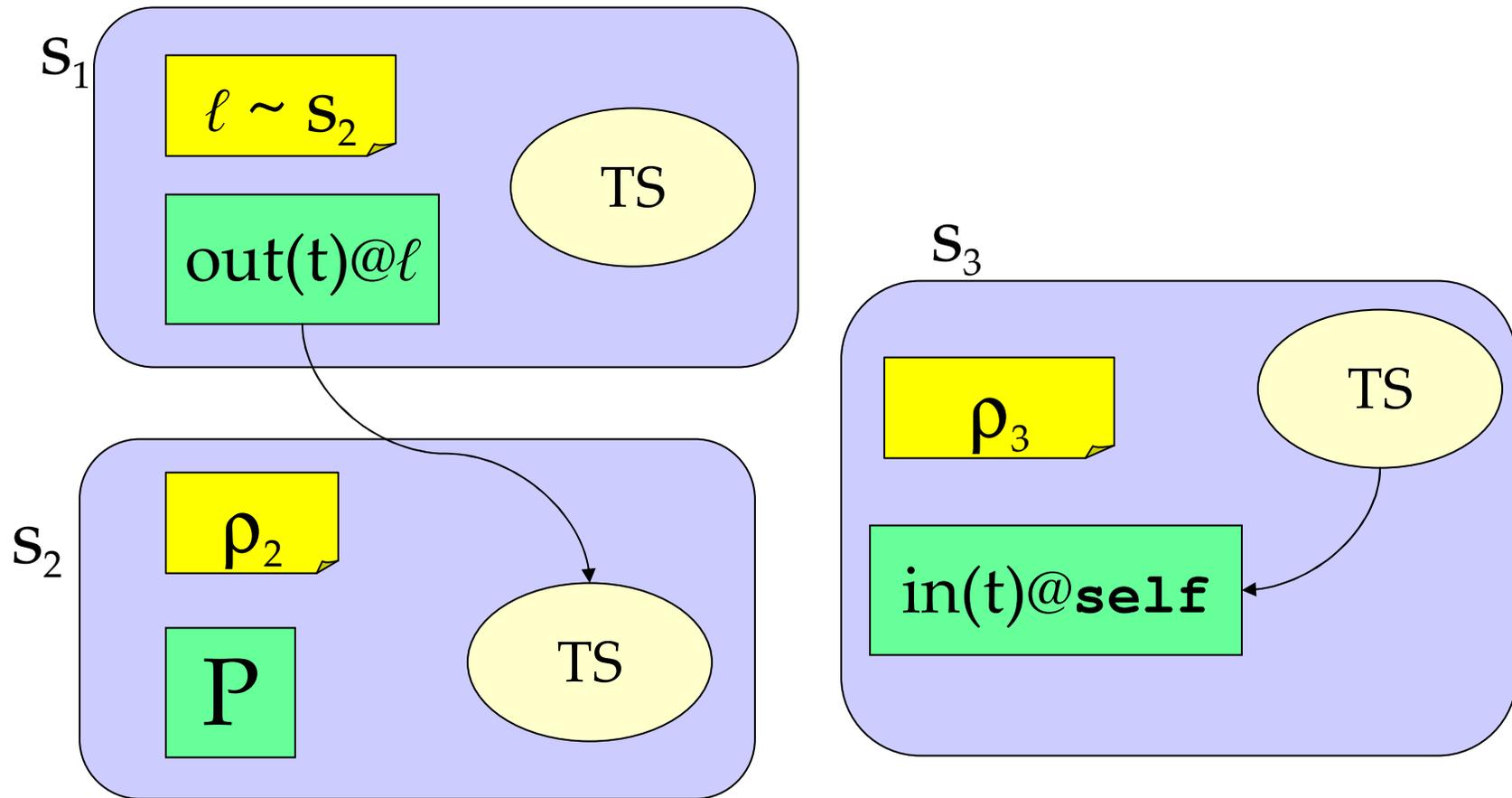
- Localities to model distribution
  - Physical Locality (sites)
  - Logical Locality (names for sites)
  - A distinct name *self* indicates the site a process is on.
- Allocation Environment to associate site to logical locality
  - This avoids the programmers to know the exact physical structure.

# Klaim Nodes

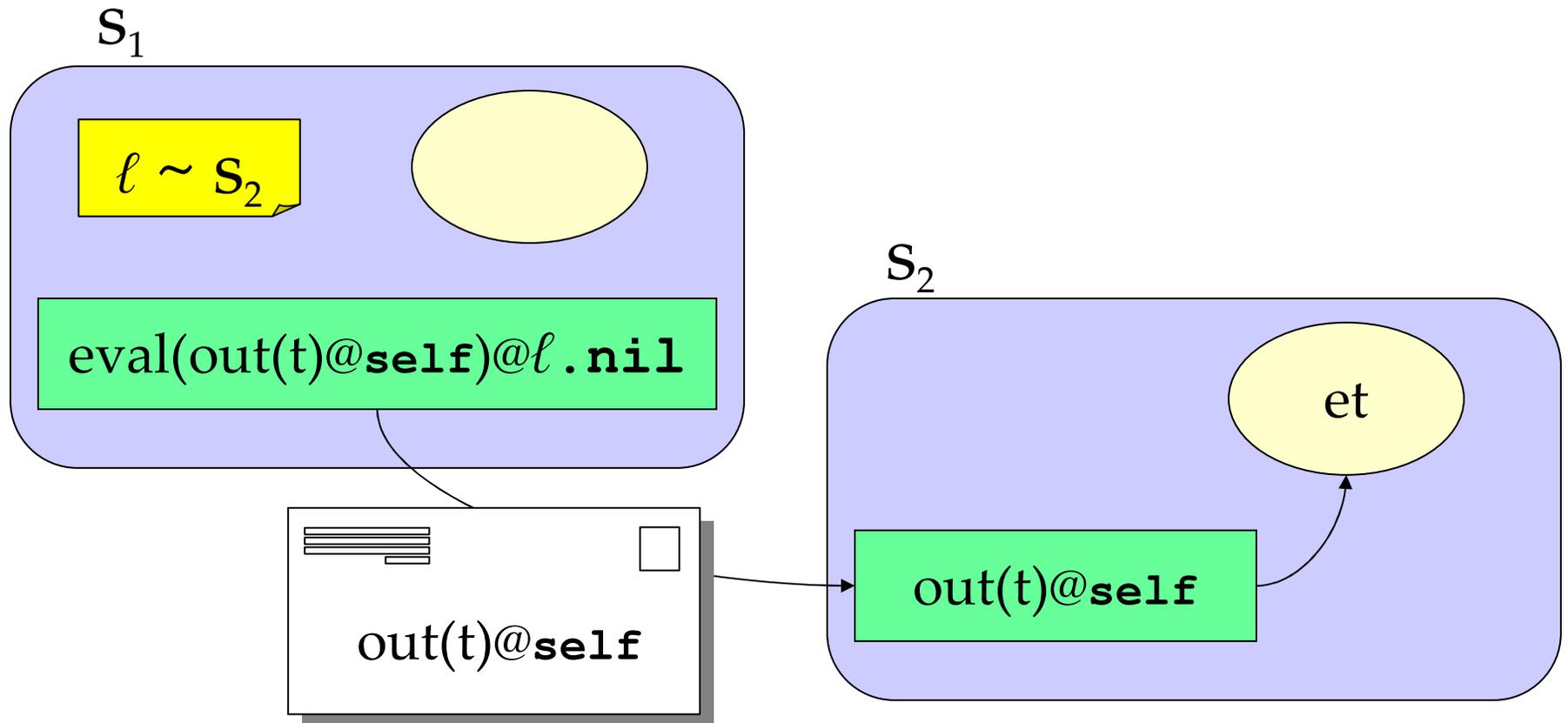
- Name (phys. loc.)
- Processes
- Tuple space
- Environment



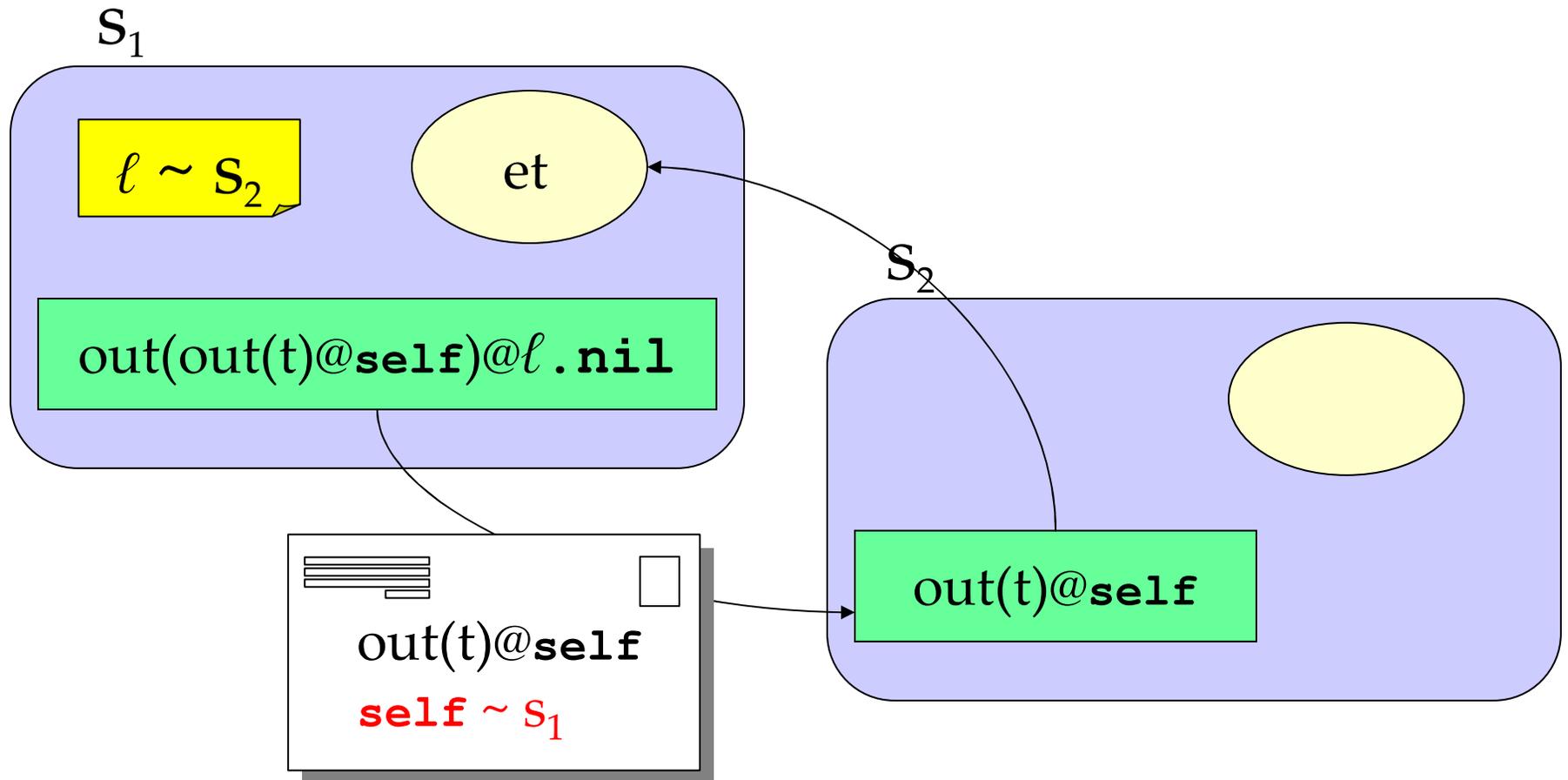
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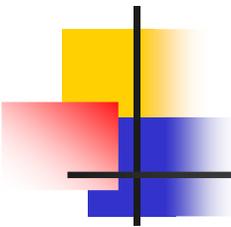


# Dynamic Scoping



# Static Scoping





# Klaim Processes

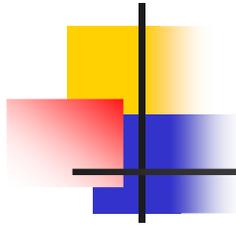
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$P ::= \mathbf{nil}$  (null process)  
|  $a.P$  (action prefixing)  
|  $P_1 \mid P_2$  (parallel composition)  
|  $X$  (process variable)  
|  $A\langle \tilde{P}, \tilde{\ell}, \tilde{e} \rangle$  (process invocation)

$a ::= \mathbf{out}(t)@l \mid \mathbf{in}(t)@l \mid \mathbf{read}(t)@l \mid \mathbf{eval}(P)@l \mid \mathbf{newloc}(\tilde{u})$

$t ::= f \mid f, t$

$f ::= e \mid P \mid \ell \mid !x \mid !X \mid !u$

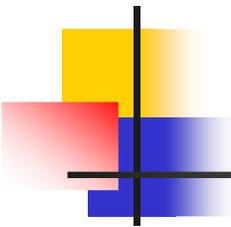


# Nets

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$N ::= s ::_{\rho} P$  (node)

|  $N_1 || N_2$  (net composition)

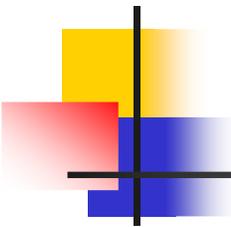


# Labelled Operational Semantics

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It is given in two steps:

- *Local* rules (Processes):
  - availability of resources;
  - resources request.
- *Global* rules (Nets):
  - system evolution
  - actual use of resources.



# Transition Labels

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Labels reflect:

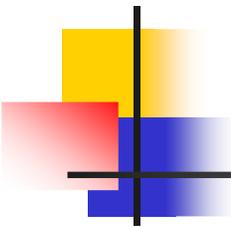
- *Information* transmitted over the net:

$$\xrightarrow{\mathbf{i}(s_1, t, s_2)}$$

- *Resources* available:

$$\xrightarrow{et@s}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\rho@s}$$



# Structural Congruence

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$$N_1 \parallel N_2 = N_2 \parallel N_1$$

$$(N_1 \parallel N_2) \parallel N_3 = N_2 \parallel (N_1 \parallel N_3)$$

$$s \text{ :: } \rho (P_1 \mid P_2) = s \text{ :: } \rho P_1 \parallel s \text{ :: } \rho P_2$$

# Local rules

$$s ::_{\rho} P \xrightarrow{\rho@s} s ::_{\rho} P$$

$$s ::_{\rho} \mathbf{out}(et) \xrightarrow{et@s} s ::_{\rho} \mathbf{nil}$$

$$s ::_{\rho} \mathbf{out}(t)@l.P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{o}(s, \mathcal{T}[[t]]_{\rho}, \rho(l))} s ::_{\rho} P$$

$$s ::_{\rho} \mathbf{write}(\ell, b) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{w}(\rho, \ell, b)} s ::_{\rho} b$$

$$s ::_{\rho} \mathbf{in}(t)@l.P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{i}(s, \mathcal{T}[[t]]_{\rho}, \rho(l))} s ::_{\rho} P$$

$$s ::_{\rho} \mathbf{read}(t)@l.P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{r}(s, \mathcal{T}[[t]]_{\rho}, \rho(l))} s ::_{\rho} P$$

$$\frac{s' = \mathbf{sup}(\mathbf{succ}(s), s ::_{\rho} P')}{s ::_{\rho} \mathbf{newloc}(u).P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{n}(s, -, s')} s ::_{\rho} P[s'/u]}$$

$$\frac{s ::_{\rho} P[\tilde{P}/\tilde{X}, \tilde{\ell}/\tilde{u}, \tilde{e}/\tilde{x}] \xrightarrow{a} N'}{s ::_{\rho} A(\tilde{P}, \tilde{\ell}, \tilde{e}) \xrightarrow{a} N'} \quad A(\tilde{X}, \tilde{u}, \tilde{x}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} P$$

$$\frac{s ::_{\rho} P_1 \xrightarrow{a} s ::_{\rho} P'_1}{s ::_{\rho} P_1 + P_2 \xrightarrow{a} s ::_{\rho} P'_1}$$

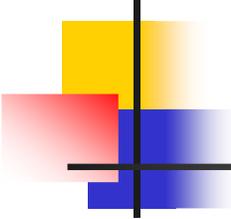
$$\frac{s ::_{\rho} P_1 \xrightarrow{a} s ::_{\rho} P'_1}{s ::_{\rho} P_1 | P_2 \xrightarrow{a} s ::_{\rho} P'_1 | P_2}$$

$$N_1 \xrightarrow{\mathbf{n}(s_1, -, s_2)} N'_1 \quad s_3 = \mathbf{sup}(s_2, N_1 \parallel N_2)$$

$$N_1 \xrightarrow{a} N'_1 \quad a \neq \mathbf{n}(s_1, -, s_2)$$

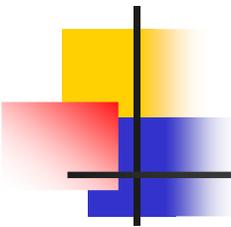
$$N_1 \parallel N_2 \xrightarrow{\mathbf{n}(s_1, -, s_3)} N'_1[s_3/s_2] \parallel N_2$$

$$N_1 \parallel N_2 \xrightarrow{a} N'_1 \parallel N_2$$



# Global rules

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{N_1 \xrightarrow{\mathbf{o}(s_1, et, s_2)} N'_1 \quad N'_1 \xrightarrow{\rho@s_2} N_2}{N_1 \succ \xrightarrow{\mathbf{o}(s_1, et, s_2)} N_2 \parallel s_2 ::_{\rho} \mathbf{out}(et)} \quad \frac{N_1 \xrightarrow{\mathbf{e}(s_1, P, s_2)} N'_1 \quad N'_1 \xrightarrow{\rho@s_2} N_2}{N_1 \succ \xrightarrow{\mathbf{e}(s_1, P, s_2)} N_2 \parallel s_2 ::_{\rho} P} \\
 \frac{N_1 \xrightarrow{\mathbf{i}(s_1, et_1, s_2)} N'_1 \quad N'_1 \xrightarrow{et_2@s_2} N_2 \quad \mathit{match}(et_1, et_2)}{N_1 \succ \xrightarrow{\mathbf{i}(s_1, et_2, s_2)} N_2[et_2/et_1]} \\
 \frac{N_1 \xrightarrow{\mathbf{r}(s_1, et_1, s_2)} N'_1 \quad N'_1 \xrightarrow{et_2@s_2} N_2 \quad \mathit{match}(et_1, et_2)}{N_1 \succ \xrightarrow{\mathbf{r}(s_1, et_2, s_2)} N'_1[et_2/et_1]} \\
 \frac{N_1 \xrightarrow{\mathbf{n}(s_1, -, s_2)} N'_1 \quad N'_1 \xrightarrow{\rho@s_1} N_2}{N_1 \succ \xrightarrow{\mathbf{n}(s_1, -, s_2)} N_2 \parallel s_2 ::_{[s_2/self] \bullet \rho} \mathbf{nil}}
 \end{array}$$



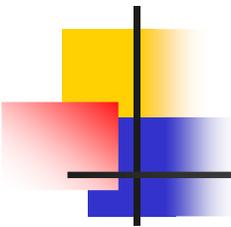
# Zooming on rules

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$$s ::_{\rho} \mathbf{in}(t)@l.P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{i}(s, \mathcal{T} \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\rho}, \rho(l))} s ::_{\rho} P$$

$$s ::_{\rho} \mathbf{out}(et) \xrightarrow{et@s} s ::_{\rho} \mathbf{nil}$$

$$\frac{N_1 \xrightarrow{\mathbf{i}(s_1, et_1, s_2)} N'_1 \quad N'_1 \xrightarrow{et_2@s_2} N_2 \quad \mathit{match}(et_1, et_2)}{N_1 \succ \xrightarrow{\mathbf{i}(s_1, et_2, s_2)} N_2[et_2/et_1]}$$



# Tuple evaluation

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$$\mathcal{T}[\![ e ]\!] \rho = \mathcal{E}[\![ e ]\!]$$

$$\mathcal{T}[\![ P ]\!] \rho = P\{\rho\}$$

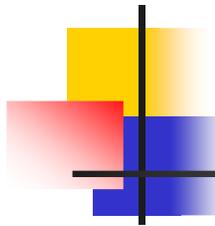
$$\mathcal{T}[\![ \ell ]\!] \rho = \rho(\ell)$$

$$\mathcal{T}[\![ t_1, t_2 ]\!] \rho = \mathcal{T}[\![ t_1 ]\!] \rho, \mathcal{T}[\![ t_2 ]\!] \rho$$

$$\mathcal{T}[\![ !x ]\!] \rho = !x$$

$$\mathcal{T}[\![ !X ]\!] \rho = !X$$

$$\mathcal{T}[\![ !u ]\!] \rho = !u$$



# Matching Rules

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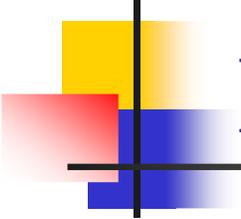
$$\text{match}(v, v)$$
$$\text{match}(P, P)$$
$$\text{match}(s, s)$$
$$\text{match}(!x, v)$$
$$\text{match}(!X, P)$$
$$\text{match}(!u, s)$$
$$\text{match}(et_1, et_2)$$

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$$\text{match}(et_2, et_1)$$
$$\text{match}(et_1, et_2) \quad \text{match}(et_3, et_4)$$

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$$\text{match}((et_1, et_3), (et_2, et_4))$$



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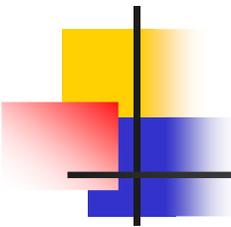
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## Code on demand

A component of a networking application can dynamically download some code from a remote node and link it to perform the required task.

With Klaim:

.... **read(!X)@l.X**



# Paradigms for Mobile Code - 2

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## Remote Evaluation

A component (*Client*) can require services from other components over the net (*Server*), by transmitting both the data needed to perform the task and the code that describes how to perform the service.

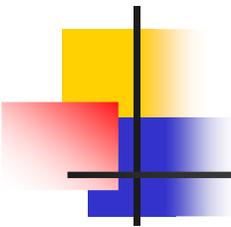
With Klaim:

Client:

**out(in(<!y>@l. A(y)), v)@l**

Server (@l)

**in(!X, !x>)@self. out(x)@self. X**



# Paradigms for Mobile Code - 3

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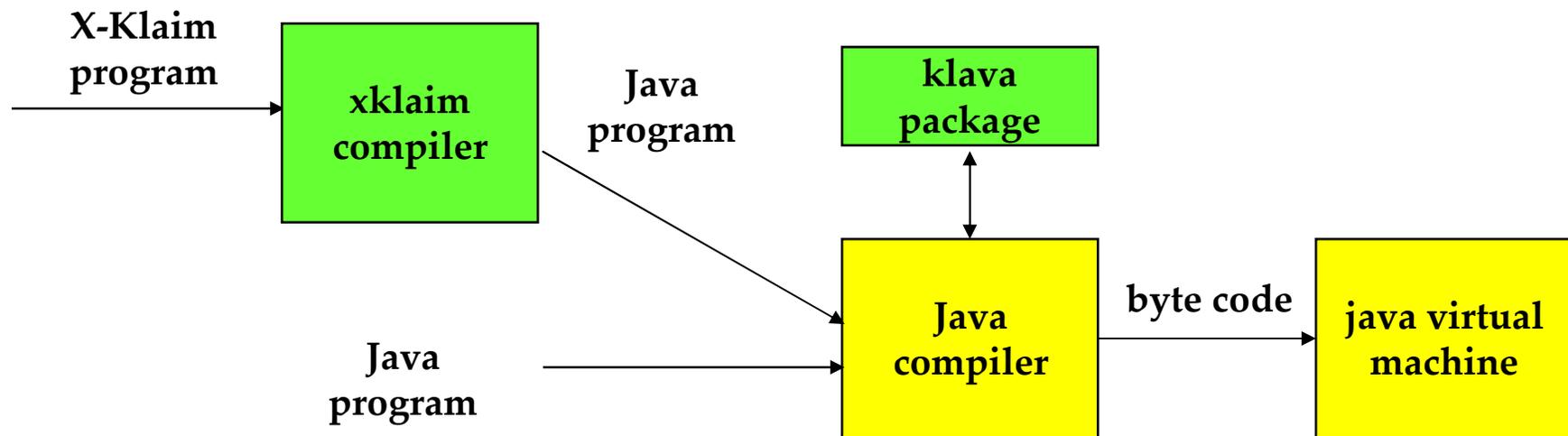
## Mobile Agents

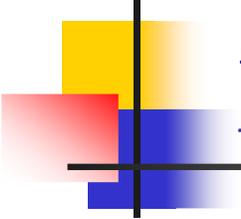
A process at a given can migrate to a different node where it will continue its execution (weak and strong mobility)

With Klaim:

`eval(Q)@l.nil`

# Framework for Klaim

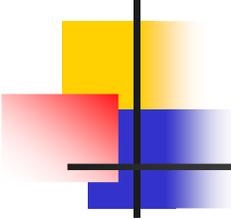




# X-Klaim programming language

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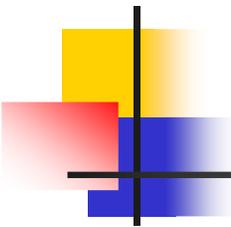
- Klaim operations
- High-level syntax:
  - Variable declarations
  - Conditionals
  - Assignments
  - Time-outs
- Strong Mobility



# Package Klava

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- Classes implementing Klaim operations and concepts
- Communications among processes and nodes
- Code mobility



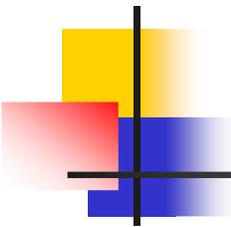
# KlavaProcess

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```
import Klava.*;

class MyProc extends KlavaProcess {
    public void execute() throws KlavaException {
        KString s = new KString() ;
        KInteger i = new KInteger() ;
        Locality loc = new Locality() ;

        read( s, i, loc, self ) ;
        // read( !s, !i, !loc )@self
        out( i, new KString("result"), loc ) ;
        // out( i, "result" )@loc
    }
}
```

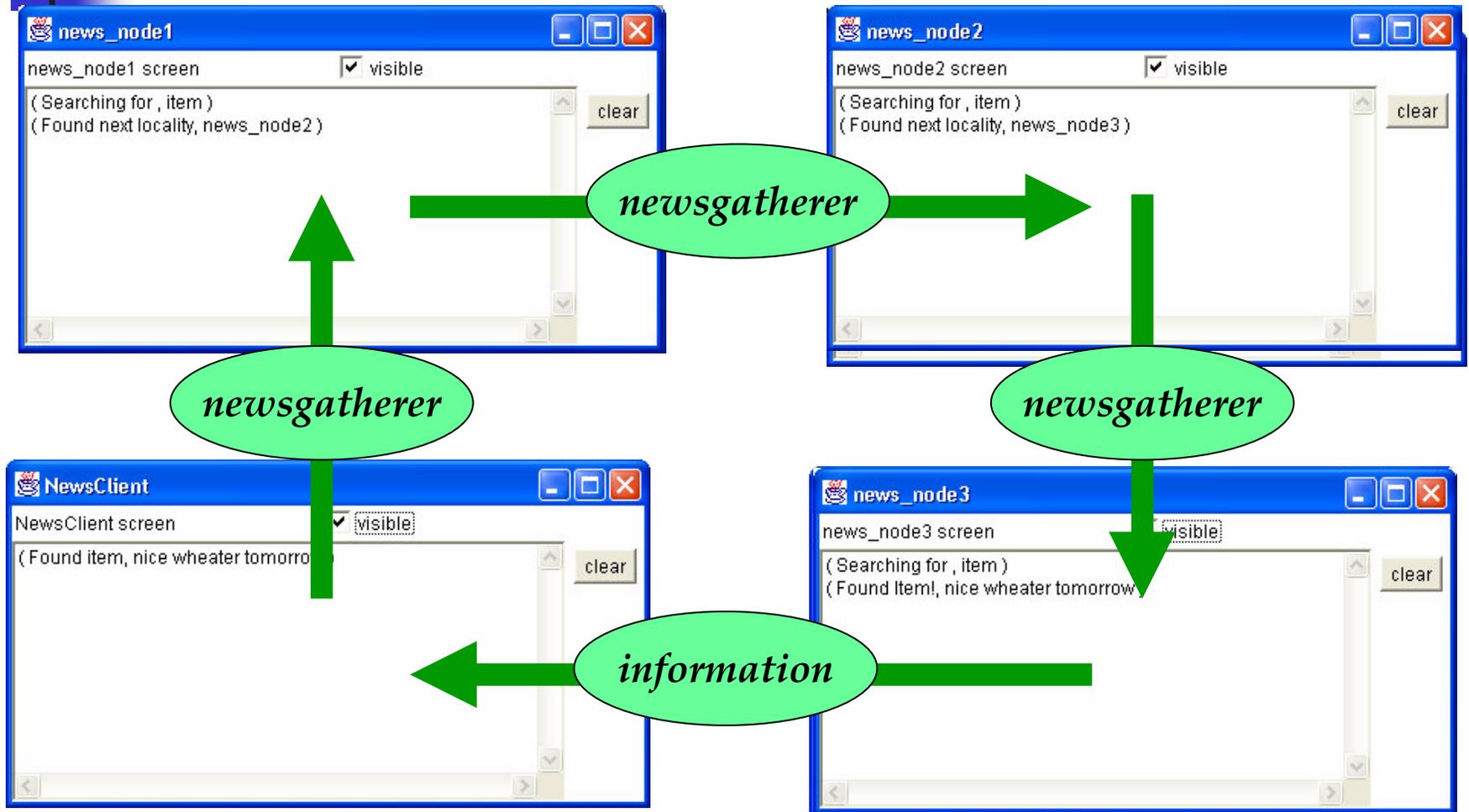


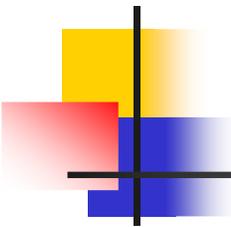
# A NewsGatherer

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- Some data are distributed over some nodes in a Klaim net
- Each node contains:
  - The information we are searching for, or
  - The locality of the next node to visit
- If the agent finds the information it sends it back to its owner
- Otherwise it migrates to the next site

# A NewsGatherer

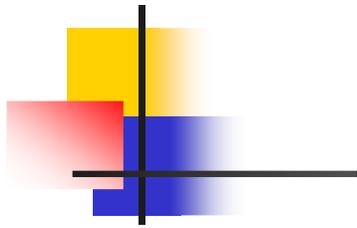




# X-Klaim code

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```
rec NewsGatherer[ item : str, retLoc : loc ]  
  declare  
    var itemVal : str ;  
    var nextLoc : loc ;  
    locname screen  
  begin  
    out( "Searching for ", item )@screen ;  
    if read( item, !itemVal )@self within 2000 then  
      out( "Found Item!", itemVal )@screen ;  
      out( itemVal )@retLoc ;  
      found := true  
    else  
      read( item, !nextLoc )@self ;  
      out( "Found next locality", nextLoc )@screen;  
      eval( NewsGatherer( item, retLoc ) )@nextLoc  
    endif  
  end
```

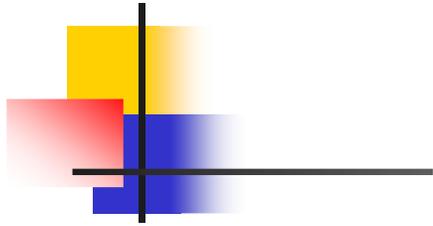


# Java code

```
import Klava.*;
class NewsGatherer extends KlavaProcess {
    protected KString itemVal ;
    protected KString item ;
    protected Locality retLoc ;

    public NewsGatherer( KString item, Locality retLoc ) {
        this.item = item ;
        this.retLoc = retLoc ;
    }

    public void execute() throws KlavaException {
        itemVal = new KString() ;
        Print( "Searching for ", item ) ;
        try {
            read( item, itemVal, self, 2000 ) ;
            Print( "Found Item!", itemVal ) ;
            out( itemVal, retLoc ) ;
        } catch (KlavaTimeoutException e) {
            Locality nextLoc = new PhysicalLocality() ;
            read( item, nextLoc, self ) ;
            Print( "Found next locality", nextLoc ) ;
            eval( new NewsGatherer( item, retLoc ), nextLoc ) ;
        }
    }
}
```

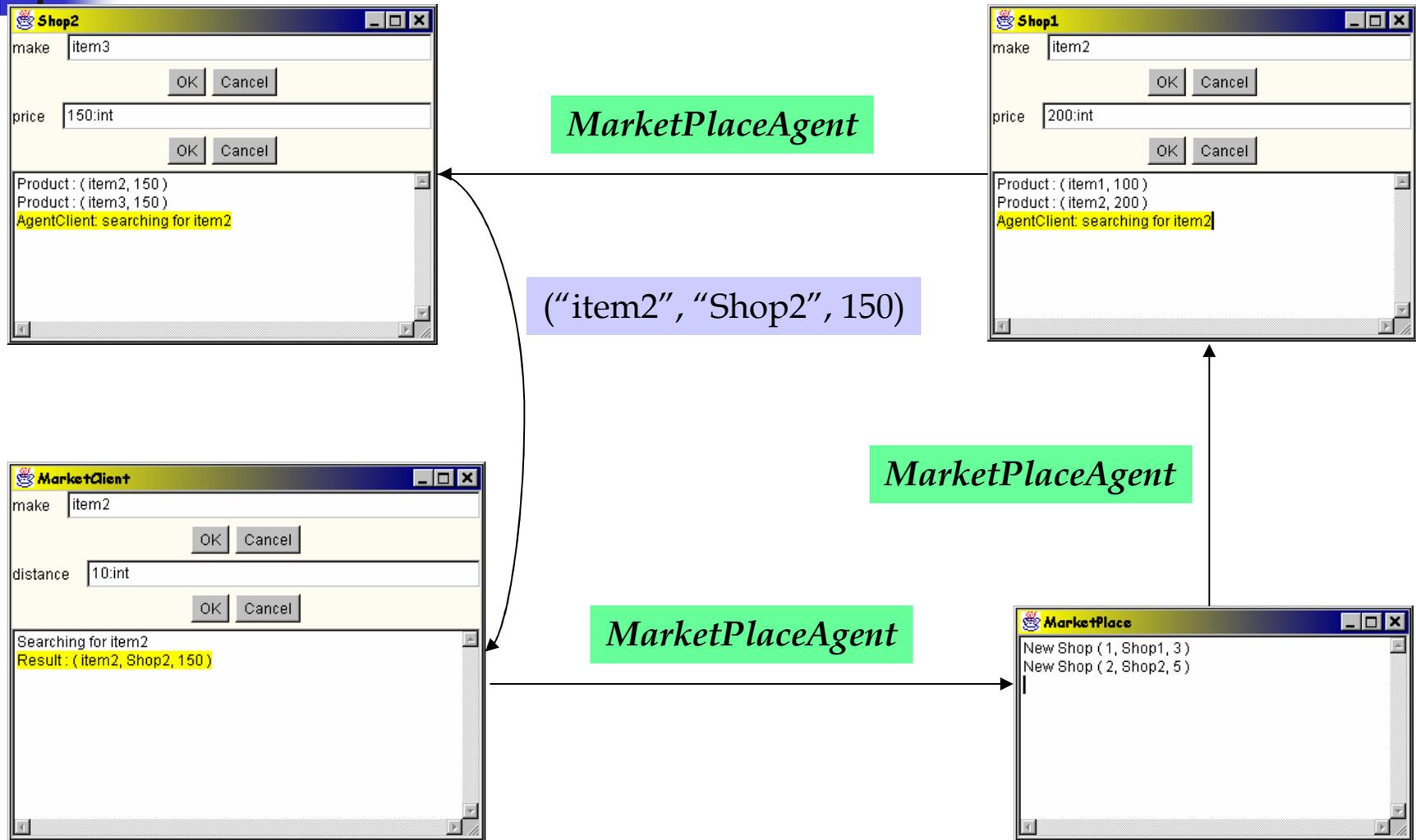


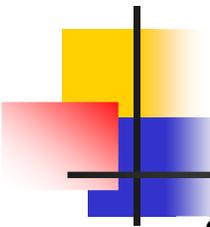
# X-Klaim code

*strong  
mobility*

```
rec NewsGatherer[ item : str, retLoc : loc ]  
  declare  
    var itemVal : str ;  
    var nextLoc : loc ;  
    var found : bool ;  
    locname screen  
  begin  
    found := false ;  
    while not found do  
      out( "Searching for ", item )@screen ;  
      if read( item, !itemVal )@self within 2000 then  
        out( "Found Item!", itemVal )@screen ;  
        out( itemVal )@retLoc ;  
        found := true  
      else  
        read( item, !nextLoc )@self ;  
        out( "Found next locality", nextLoc )@screen;  
        go@nextLoc  
      endif  
    enddo  
  end
```

# An Electronic MarketPlace





# MarketPlaceAgent

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```
out( "cshop", distance )@self;
in( "cshop", !shopList )@self;
again := true ; CurrentPrice := 0 ; CurrentShop := self ;
while ( again ) do
  if in( ! nextShop )@shopList within 0 then
    thisShop := nextShop ;
    go@nextShop ; # migrate to the next shop
    out( "AgentClient: searching for " )@screen ;
    out( ProductMake )@screen ;
    if read( ProductMake, ! newCost )@self within 10000 then
      if ( CurrentPrice = 0 OR newCost < CurrentPrice ) then
        CurrentPrice := newCost; CurrentShop := thisShop
      endif
    endif
  else
    again := false ;
    out( ProductMake, CurrentShop, CurrentPrice )@retLoc
  endif
enddo
```



**<http://music.dsi.unifi.it/klaim>**

- A few papers
- Current Implementation:
  - X-Klaim
  - Klava