
Cours de Typage

Master 2 : Langages et Programmation

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Modalités

- Cours/TD Mercredi 10h-11h30.
- TP Mercredi 11h30-13h00.
- Un projet.
- Un examen final.

Plan de la première partie du cours

- ➊ Sémantique opérationnelle d'un mini-langage fonctionnel
- ➋ Types monomorphes
- ➌ Types polymorphes

Notes de cours

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Operational Semantics

Defining an Operational Semantics

- Granularity
- Order of evaluation

Big-step Semantics

Each rule **completely** evaluates the expression to a **value**.

$$\frac{}{\langle n, \sigma \rangle \Downarrow n} \qquad \frac{}{\langle X, \sigma \rangle \Downarrow \sigma(X)}$$
$$\frac{\langle a_1, \sigma \rangle \Downarrow n_1 \quad \langle a_2, \sigma \rangle \Downarrow n_2 \quad n \text{ is " } n_1 \text{ plus } n_2 \text{"}}{\langle a_1 + a_2, \sigma \rangle \Downarrow n}$$

Properties

- Abstract
- Allows to avoid details
- No specification of evaluation order (e.g. $(1 + 3) + (5 - 3)$)
- No specification of control of errors
- No specification of interleaving

Small-step Semantics

Evaluation is given by a sequence of *state changes* of an abstract machine which terminates when the state cannot be reduced further.

$$\frac{\langle a_1, \sigma \rangle \rightsquigarrow \langle a'_1, \sigma' \rangle}{\langle a_1 + a_2, \sigma \rangle \rightsquigarrow \langle a'_1 + a_2, \sigma' \rangle} \qquad \frac{\langle a_2, \sigma \rangle \rightsquigarrow \langle a'_2, \sigma' \rangle}{\langle n_1 + a_2, \sigma \rangle \rightsquigarrow \langle n_1 + a'_2, \sigma' \rangle}$$
$$\frac{}{\langle X, \sigma \rangle \rightsquigarrow \langle \sigma(X), \sigma \rangle} \qquad \frac{n \text{ is " } n_1 \text{ plus } n_2 \text{ "}}{\langle n_1 + n_2, \sigma \rangle \rightsquigarrow \langle n, \sigma \rangle}$$

Properties

- Less abstract
- Specification of order of evaluation
- Control of errors : $\frac{n_2 \neq 0}{n_1/n_2 \rightsquigarrow n}$, where n is " n_1 divided by n_2 ".
- Interleaving : $\frac{\langle c_1, \sigma \rangle \rightsquigarrow \langle c'_1, \sigma' \rangle}{\langle c_1 || c_2, \sigma \rangle \rightsquigarrow \langle c'_1 || c_2, \sigma' \rangle}$

From Small-step to Multi-step Semantics

The multi-step semantics is given by the relation $t \rightsquigarrow^* t'$ which is the reflexive and transitive closure of $t \rightsquigarrow t'$.

(P1) $t \rightsquigarrow^* t$ for every t

(P2) $t \rightsquigarrow t'$ implies $t \rightsquigarrow^* t'$

(P3) $t \rightsquigarrow^* t'$ and $t' \rightsquigarrow^* t''$ implies $t \rightsquigarrow^* t''$

Normal Forms

- A **normal form** is a term that cannot be evaluated any further : is a state where the abstract machine is halted (result of the evaluation).

Properties of the small and big step semantics

- The relation \rightsquigarrow is deterministic.
- The relation \Downarrow is deterministic.
- $t \Downarrow v$ iff $t \rightsquigarrow^* v$, where v is a "value".

Big-step versus small-step semantics

- In small-step semantics evaluation stops at errors. In big-step semantics errors occur deeply inside derivation trees.
- The order of evaluation is *explicit* in small-step semantics but *implicit* in big-step semantics.
- Big-step semantics is more abstract, but less precise.
- Small-step semantics allows to make difference between non-termination and "getting stuck".

A functional language

$M, N ::=$	x	(<i>variable</i>)	
	ct	(<i>constant</i>)	
	$\langle M, N \rangle$	(<i>pair</i>)	
	$M\ N$	(<i>application</i>)	
	$\lambda x.M$	(<i>abstraction</i>)	
	$\text{let } x = M \text{ in } N$	(<i>let</i>)	

Some constant function symbols : *fst*, *snd*, *fix*, *ifthenelse*, $+$, $*$...

Some constants : *true*, *false*, 0, 1, 2, 3, ...

Notations

$$\begin{aligned} M_1 M_2 \dots M_n &\equiv (\dots ((M_1 M_2) M_3) \dots M_{n-1}) M_n \\ N \vec{M} &\equiv (\dots (((N M_1) M_2) M_3) \dots M_{n-1}) M_n \\ M + N &\equiv +\langle M, N \rangle \\ \text{if } E \text{ then } M \text{ else } N &\equiv \text{ifthenelse}\langle E, \langle M, N \rangle \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Free variables

$$\begin{aligned}FV(x) &= \{x\} \\FV(ct) &= \emptyset \\FV(\langle M, N \rangle) &= FV(M) \cup FV(N) \\FV(M \ N) &= FV(M) \cup FV(N) \\FV(\lambda x.M) &= FV(M) \setminus \{x\} \\FV(\text{let } x = M \text{ in } N) &= FV(M) \cup FV(N) \setminus \{x\}\end{aligned}$$

A term M is **closed** iff it has no free variable, i.e. $FV(M) = \emptyset$. For example, $\lambda z.((\lambda x.x \ z)(\lambda y.y))$ is closed but $(\lambda x.x \ z)(\lambda y.y)$ is not.

Bound variables

$$\begin{aligned}BV(x) &= \emptyset \\BV(ct) &= \emptyset \\BV(\langle M, N \rangle) &= BV(M) \cup BV(N) \\BV(M\ N) &= BV(M) \cup BV(N) \\BV(\lambda x.M) &= BV(M) \cup \{x\} \\BV(\text{let } x = M \text{ in } N) &= BV(M) \cup BV(N) \cup \{x\}\end{aligned}$$

A variable may be free and bound : x ($\lambda x.x$).

Alpha-conversion

Alpha-conversion is the operation which consists in renaming some bound variables.

Thus for example $x (\lambda x.x y) =_{\alpha} x (\lambda z.z y)$ and $\text{let } x = x' \text{ in } x y =_{\alpha} \text{let } z = x' \text{ in } z y$.

Theorem

For every term t there is a term t' such that

- ❶ $t =_{\alpha} t'$
- ❷ **Barendregt's Convention :**
 - ▶ $FV(t') \cap BV(t') = \emptyset$.
 - ▶ *All the bound variables of t' are distinct.*

Substitution

The application of a substitution $\sigma = \{x_1/t_1, \dots, x_n/t_n\}$ to a term M is defined by induction as follows :

σx_i	$=$	t_i	if $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$
σy	$=$	y	if $y \notin \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$
σct	$=$	ct	
$\sigma \langle M, N \rangle$	$=$	$\langle \sigma M, \sigma N \rangle$	
$\sigma (M N)$	$=$	$\sigma M \sigma N$	
$\sigma (\lambda x. M)$	$=$	$\lambda x. \sigma M$	if no capture of variables
$\sigma (\text{let } x = M \text{ in } N)$	$=$	$\text{let } x = \sigma M \text{ in } \sigma N$	if no capture of variables

Reduction Rules

$(\lambda x.M) N$	\rightarrow	$M\{x/N\}$
let $x = N$ in M	\rightarrow	$M\{x/N\}$
<i>fix</i> M	\rightarrow	M (<i>fix</i> M)
<i>fst</i> $\langle M, N \rangle$	\rightarrow	M
<i>snd</i> $\langle M, N \rangle$	\rightarrow	N
if <i>true</i> then M else N	\rightarrow	M
if <i>false</i> then M else N	\rightarrow	N
if 0 then M else N	\rightarrow	M
if n then M else N	\rightarrow	$N, \quad n \neq 0$

WARNING ! : The reduction relation \rightarrow is non-deterministic.

Call-by-value lambda-calculus (big-step semantics)

(Values) $V ::= ct \mid \langle V, V \rangle \mid \lambda x.M \mid \text{fix } M$

Meaningless expressions such as $(\langle 1, 1 \rangle 3)$ or $(\text{true } 3)$ are **not** considered as values.

$$\begin{array}{c} \frac{V \text{ is a value}}{V \Downarrow_v V} \quad \frac{M_1 \Downarrow_v V_1 \quad M_2 \Downarrow_v V_2}{\langle M_1, M_2 \rangle \Downarrow_v \langle V_1, V_2 \rangle} \\[1em] \frac{M \Downarrow_v \lambda x.L \quad N \Downarrow_v W \quad L\{x/W\} \Downarrow_v V}{M \ N \Downarrow_v V} \\[1em] \frac{N \Downarrow_v V \quad L\{x/V\} \Downarrow_v W}{\text{let } x = N \text{ in } L \Downarrow_v W} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{M \Downarrow_v \text{fix } L \quad N \Downarrow_v W \quad (L (\text{fix } L)) W \Downarrow_v V}{M N \Downarrow_v V}$$

$$\frac{M \Downarrow_v \text{fst} \quad N \Downarrow_v \langle V_1, V_2 \rangle}{M N \Downarrow_v V_1}$$

$$\frac{M \Downarrow_v \text{snd} \quad N \Downarrow_v \langle V_1, V_2 \rangle}{M N \Downarrow_v V_2}$$

$$\frac{M \Downarrow_v \text{true} \quad N \Downarrow_v V}{\text{if } M \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \Downarrow_v V}$$

$$\frac{M \Downarrow_v \text{false} \quad L \Downarrow_v V}{\text{if } M \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \Downarrow_v V}$$

$$\frac{M \Downarrow_v 0 \quad N \Downarrow_v V}{\text{if } M \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \Downarrow_v V}$$

$$\frac{M \Downarrow_v n \quad n \neq 0 \quad L \Downarrow_v V}{\text{if } M \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \Downarrow_v V}$$

Particular case : closed pure lambda-terms

(**Values**) $V ::= \lambda x.M$

$$\frac{}{V \Downarrow_v V} \quad \frac{M \Downarrow_v \lambda x.L \quad N \Downarrow_v W \quad L\{x/W\} \Downarrow_v V}{M N \Downarrow_v V}$$

An example

$M = \lambda f. \lambda x. \langle x, f \ x \rangle$ and $N = \lambda y. y$.

$$\frac{\textcolor{red}{M} \ \textcolor{red}{N} \Downarrow_v \lambda x. \langle x, N \ x \rangle \quad 1 \Downarrow_v 1 \quad \langle \textcolor{green}{1}, \textcolor{green}{N} \ 1 \rangle \Downarrow_v \langle 1, 1 \rangle}{\textcolor{blue}{M} \ \textcolor{blue}{N} \ 1 \Downarrow_v \langle 1, 1 \rangle}$$

$$\frac{M \Downarrow_v M \quad N \Downarrow_v N \quad \lambda x. \langle x, f \ x \rangle \{f/N\} \Downarrow_v \lambda x. \langle x, N \ x \rangle}{\textcolor{red}{M} \ \textcolor{red}{N} \Downarrow_v \lambda x. \langle x, N \ x \rangle}$$

$$\frac{1 \Downarrow_v 1 \quad \frac{N \Downarrow_v N \quad 1 \Downarrow_v 1 \quad y\{y/1\} \Downarrow_v 1}{N \ 1 \Downarrow_v 1}}{\langle \textcolor{green}{1}, \textcolor{green}{N} \ 1 \rangle \Downarrow_v \langle 1, 1 \rangle}$$

Call-by-value lambda calculus (small-step semantics)

$$\frac{M \rightsquigarrow_v M'}{M N \rightsquigarrow_v M' N} \qquad \frac{N \rightsquigarrow_v N'}{V N \rightsquigarrow_v V N'}$$

$$\frac{}{(\lambda x.M) V \rightsquigarrow_v M\{x/V\}} \qquad \frac{}{(\text{fix } M) V \rightsquigarrow_v (M (\text{fix } M)) V}$$

$$\frac{N \rightsquigarrow_v N'}{\text{let } x = N \text{ in } L \rightsquigarrow_v \text{let } x = N' \text{ in } L} \qquad \frac{}{\text{let } x = V \text{ in } L \rightsquigarrow_v L\{x/V\}}$$

$$\frac{M \rightsquigarrow_v M'}{\langle M, N \rangle \rightsquigarrow_v \langle M', N \rangle} \qquad \frac{N \rightsquigarrow_v N'}{\langle V, N \rangle \rightsquigarrow_v \langle V, N' \rangle}$$

$$\frac{}{\text{fst } \langle V_1, V_2 \rangle \rightsquigarrow_v V_1} \qquad \frac{}{\text{snd } \langle V_1, V_2 \rangle \rightsquigarrow_v V_2}$$

$$\frac{M \rightsquigarrow_v M'}{\text{if } M \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \rightsquigarrow_v \text{if } M' \text{ then } N \text{ else } L}$$

$$\frac{}{\text{if } \textit{true} \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \rightsquigarrow_v N}$$

$$\frac{}{\text{if } \textit{false} \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \rightsquigarrow_v L}$$

$$\frac{}{\text{if } 0 \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \rightsquigarrow_v N}$$

$$\frac{n \neq 0}{\text{if } n \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \rightsquigarrow_v L}$$

The same example

$M = \lambda f. \lambda x. \langle x, f \ x \rangle$ and $N = \lambda y. y$.

$$\begin{array}{ll} M \ N \ 1 & \rightsquigarrow_v \\ (\lambda x. \langle x, N \ x \rangle) \ 1 & \rightsquigarrow_v \\ \langle 1, N \ 1 \rangle & \rightsquigarrow_v \\ \langle 1, 1 \rangle & \end{array}$$

Call-by-name lambda-calculus (big-step semantics)

(**Lazy Forms**) $P ::= ct \mid \langle M, N \rangle \mid \lambda x.M \mid \text{fix } M$

$$\frac{M \Downarrow_n \lambda x.L \quad L\{x/N\} \Downarrow_n P}{M N \Downarrow_n P} \quad \frac{P \text{ is a lazy form}}{P \Downarrow_n P}$$

$$\frac{L\{x/N\} \Downarrow_n P}{\text{let } x = N \text{ in } L \Downarrow_n P} \quad \frac{M \Downarrow_n \text{fix } L \quad (L(\text{fix } L)) N \Downarrow_n P}{M N \Downarrow_n P}$$

$$\frac{M \Downarrow_n \langle M_1, M_2 \rangle \quad M_1 \Downarrow_n P_1}{\text{fst } M \Downarrow_n P_1} \quad \frac{M \Downarrow_n \langle M_1, M_2 \rangle \quad M_2 \Downarrow_n P_2}{\text{snd } M \Downarrow_n P_2}$$

$$\frac{M \Downarrow_n \text{true} \quad N \Downarrow_n P}{\text{if } M \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \Downarrow_n P} \quad \frac{M \Downarrow_n \text{false} \quad L \Downarrow_n P}{\text{if } M \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \Downarrow_n P}$$

$$\frac{M \Downarrow_n 0 \quad N \Downarrow_n P}{\text{if } M \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \Downarrow_n P} \quad \frac{M \Downarrow_n n \quad n \neq 0 \quad L \Downarrow_n P}{\text{if } M \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \Downarrow_n P}$$

Particular case : closed pure lambda-terms

(**Lazy Forms**) $P ::= \lambda x.M$

$$\frac{}{P \Downarrow_n P} \quad \frac{M \Downarrow_n \lambda x.L \quad L\{x/N\} \Downarrow_n P}{M N \Downarrow_n P}$$

An example

Let $M = \lambda f. \lambda x. \langle x, (f \ x) \rangle$

$$\frac{\text{fix } M \Downarrow_n \text{fix } M \quad M \ (\text{fix } M) \ 1 \Downarrow_n \langle 1, \text{fix } M \ 1 \rangle}{\text{fix } M \ 1 \Downarrow_n \langle 1, \text{fix } M \ 1 \rangle}$$

Let $M_f = \text{fix } M$.

$$\frac{\frac{M \Downarrow_n M \quad (\lambda x. \langle x, f \ x \rangle) \{f / M_f\} \Downarrow_n \lambda x. \langle x, M_f \ x \rangle}{M \ M_f \Downarrow_n \lambda x. \langle x, M_f \ x \rangle} \quad \frac{}{\langle x, M_f \ x \rangle \{x / 1\} \Downarrow_n \langle 1, M_f \ 1 \rangle}}{M \ (M_f) \ 1 \Downarrow_n \langle 1, M_f \ 1 \rangle}$$

Exercice

Try to compute $\text{fix } M \ 1 \Downarrow_v$?

Call-by-name lambda calculus (small-step semantics)

$$\frac{M \rightsquigarrow_n M'}{M N \rightsquigarrow_n M' N}$$

$$\frac{}{(\lambda x.M) N \rightsquigarrow_n M\{x/N\}} \quad \frac{}{(\text{fix } M) N \rightsquigarrow_n (M (\text{fix } M)) N}$$

$$\frac{}{\text{let } x = M \text{ in } L \rightsquigarrow_n L\{x/M\}}$$

$$\frac{M \rightsquigarrow_n M'}{\text{fst } M \rightsquigarrow_n \text{fst } M'} \quad \frac{}{\text{fst } \langle M, N \rangle \rightsquigarrow_n M}$$

$$\frac{M \rightsquigarrow_n M'}{\text{snd } M \rightsquigarrow_n \text{snd } M'} \quad \frac{}{\text{snd } \langle M, N \rangle \rightsquigarrow_n N}$$

$$\frac{M \rightsquigarrow_n M'}{\text{if } M \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \rightsquigarrow_n \text{if } M' \text{ then } N \text{ else } L}$$

$$\frac{}{\text{if } \textit{true} \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \rightsquigarrow_n N}$$

$$\frac{}{\text{if } \textit{false} \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \rightsquigarrow_n L}$$

$$\frac{}{\text{if } 0 \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \rightsquigarrow_n N}$$

$$\frac{n \neq 0}{\text{if } n \text{ then } N \text{ else } L \rightsquigarrow_n L}$$

The same example

$$M = \lambda f. \lambda x. \langle x, (f \ x) \rangle.$$

$$\text{fix } M \ 1 \quad \rightsquigarrow_n$$

$$M \ (\text{fix } M) \ 1 \quad \rightsquigarrow_n$$

$$(\lambda x. \langle x, (\text{fix } M \ x) \rangle) \ 1 \quad \rightsquigarrow_n$$

$$\langle 1, (\text{fix } M \ 1) \rangle$$

Coherence of results

- If $M \Downarrow_v N$, then N is a value.
- If $M \Downarrow_n N$, then N is a lazy form.

Deterministic properties

- If $M \Downarrow_v V$ and $M \Downarrow_v V'$, then $V = V'$.
- If $M \Downarrow_n P$ and $M \Downarrow_n P'$, then $P = P'$.
- If $M \rightsquigarrow_v N$ and $M \rightsquigarrow_v N'$, then $N = N'$.
- If $M \rightsquigarrow_n N$ and $M \rightsquigarrow_n N'$, then $N = N'$.

Relating big and small-steps semantics

- If $M \Downarrow_v V$, then $M \rightsquigarrow_v^* V$.
- If $M \Downarrow_n P$, then $M \rightsquigarrow_n^* P$.
- If $M \rightsquigarrow_v^* N$ and N is a value, then $M \Downarrow_v N$.
- If $M \rightsquigarrow_n^* N$ and N is a lazy form, then $M \Downarrow_n N$.