

Modular Analysis

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1 Denotational Semantics for Untyped λ -Calculus

1.1 Semantic Domains

Program variable	x	\in	Var
Expression	e	\in	Expr ::= $x \mid \lambda x.e \mid e e$
Shadow	S	\in	Shadow ::= $\text{Rd}(x) \mid \text{Ap}(S, v)$
Environment	σ	\in	Env ::= $\text{Init} \mid (x, v) :: \sigma$
Value	v	\in	Val ::= $S \mid \langle x, t, \sigma \rangle$
Trace (Coinductive)	t	\in	Trace ::= $\perp \mid \sigma \rightarrow t \mid v$

1.2 Linking

Linking is defined by mixed induction-coinduction. $\sigma_0 \bowtie t \mathbin{\text{\textcircled{;}}} k$ appeals to t coinductively, while for other domains the arguments are recursed upon inductively.

$$\boxed{\cdot \bowtie \cdot \mathbin{\text{\textcircled{;}}} \cdot \in \text{Env} \rightarrow \text{Shadow} \rightarrow (\text{Val} \rightarrow \text{Trace}) \rightarrow \text{Trace}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_0 \bowtie \text{Rd}(x) \mathbin{\text{\textcircled{;}}} k &\triangleq \text{rd}(\sigma_0, x; k) \\ \sigma_0 \bowtie \text{Ap}(S, v) \mathbin{\text{\textcircled{;}}} k &\triangleq \sigma_0 \bowtie S \mathbin{\text{\textcircled{;}}} \lambda f. \sigma_0 \bowtie v \mathbin{\text{\textcircled{;}}} \lambda a. \text{ap}(f, a; k) \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\cdot \bowtie \cdot \mathbin{\text{\textcircled{;}}} \cdot \in \text{Env} \rightarrow \text{Env} \rightarrow (\text{Env} \rightarrow \text{Trace}) \rightarrow \text{Trace}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_0 \bowtie \text{Init} \mathbin{\text{\textcircled{;}}} k &\triangleq k(\sigma_0) \\ \sigma_0 \bowtie (x, v) :: \sigma \mathbin{\text{\textcircled{;}}} k &\triangleq \sigma_0 \bowtie v \mathbin{\text{\textcircled{;}}} \lambda v'. \sigma_0 \bowtie \sigma \mathbin{\text{\textcircled{;}}} \lambda \sigma'. k((x, v') :: \sigma') \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\cdot \bowtie \cdot \mathbin{\text{\textcircled{;}}} \cdot \in \text{Env} \rightarrow \text{Val} \rightarrow (\text{Val} \rightarrow \text{Trace}) \rightarrow \text{Trace}}$$

$$\sigma_0 \bowtie \langle x, t, \sigma \rangle \mathbin{\text{\textcircled{;}}} k \triangleq \sigma_0 \bowtie \sigma \mathbin{\text{\textcircled{;}}} \lambda \sigma'. k(\langle x, t, \sigma' \rangle)$$

$$\cdot \times \cdot \circ \cdot \in \text{Env} \rightarrow \text{Trace} \rightarrow (\text{Val} \rightarrow \text{Trace}) \rightarrow \text{Trace}$$

$$\sigma_0 \times \quad \perp \circ k \triangleq \perp$$

$$\sigma_0 \times \quad \sigma \rightarrow t \circ k \triangleq \sigma_0 \times \sigma \circ \lambda \sigma'. \sigma' \rightarrow \sigma_0 \times t \circ k$$

$\text{rd}(\sigma, x; k)$ and $\text{ap}(f, a; k)$ are defined by

$$\text{rd}(\sigma, x; k) \triangleq \begin{cases} \perp & \text{when } \sigma(x) = \perp \\ k(v) & \text{when } \sigma(x) = v \end{cases}$$

$$\text{ap}(f, a; k) \triangleq \begin{cases} (x, a) :: \sigma \times t \circ k & \text{when } f = \langle x, t, \sigma \rangle \\ k(\text{Ap}(S, a)) & \text{when } f = S \end{cases}$$

1.3 Denotational Semantics

Denotational semantics is defined by

$$\llbracket e \rrbracket \in (\text{Val} \rightarrow \text{Trace}) \rightarrow \text{Trace}$$

$$\llbracket x \rrbracket k \triangleq \text{Init} \rightarrow k(\text{Rd}(x))$$

$$\llbracket \lambda x. e \rrbracket k \triangleq \text{Init} \rightarrow k(\langle x, \llbracket e \rrbracket \text{Ret}, \text{Init} \rangle)$$

$$\llbracket e_1 e_2 \rrbracket k \triangleq \text{Init} \rightarrow \llbracket e_1 \rrbracket \lambda f. \llbracket e_2 \rrbracket \lambda a. \text{ap}(f, a; k)$$

Why do we need the $\text{Init} \rightarrow$ prefix?

$$(\lambda \omega. (\lambda x. \lambda y. y)(\omega \omega))(\lambda x. x x)$$

Preserve non-termination in call-by-value semantics

1.4 Proving Equivalence with Standard Semantics

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{Environment} & \underline{\sigma} & \in \underline{\text{Env}} \triangleq \text{Var} \xrightarrow{\text{fin}} \text{Val} \\ \text{Value} & \underline{v} & \in \underline{\text{Val}} \triangleq \text{Var} \times \text{Expr} \times \underline{\text{Env}} \end{array}$$

We can "lower" a shadow-free environment/value/trace into a function from some initial environment $\underline{\sigma}_0 \in \underline{\text{Env}}$ to its output environment/value/value. For example,

$$\downarrow \sigma \in \underline{\text{Env}} \rightarrow \underline{\text{Env}}$$

$$\downarrow \text{Init} \triangleq \lambda \underline{\sigma}_0. \underline{\sigma}_0$$

$$\downarrow (x, v) :: \sigma \triangleq (\downarrow \sigma)[x \mapsto \downarrow v]$$

Note that the function is a partial function; it might return bottom if some intermediate output is bottom. Such a case might occur when either there is an infinite computation or an unresolved computation (a shadow).

We want to prove that $\underline{\sigma} \vdash e \downarrow \underline{v}$ if and only if there exists a σ such that $(\downarrow \sigma)[] = \underline{\sigma}$ and $(\downarrow (\sigma \times \llbracket e \rrbracket \text{Ret} \circ \text{Ret}))[] = \underline{v}$.