

All of the names, notations and lemmas used here are taken from “Proofs and Types” book and lemmas and theorems will be used here without their proofs.

First we prove a result that the computational interpretation of types in L fragment as defined in Casinghino et al’s paper ”Step-Indexed Normalization for a Language with General Recursion” are actually reducibility candidates of types they are defined for.

Lemma 1. $\mathcal{C}[[A]]_k^L$ is a reducibility candidate for type A.

Proof. By definition of computational interpretation, $\mathcal{C}[[A]]_k^L$ should satisfy conditions CR 1-3.

$$\mathcal{C}[[A]]_k^L = \{a \mid \vdash^L a : A \wedge a \rightsquigarrow^* v \in \mathcal{V}[[A]]_k^L\}$$

- CR-1: by definition, terms in $\mathcal{C}[[A]]_k^L$ reduce to a value
- CR-2: If $a \rightsquigarrow a'$ then $a' \in \mathcal{C}[[A]]_k^L$ as $a' \rightsquigarrow^* v \in \mathcal{V}[[A]]_k^L$
- CR-3: Similarly, if a is neutral, and whenever we convert a redex of a , we get a term $a' \in \mathcal{C}[[A]]_k^L$, then it means, $\forall a', a \rightsquigarrow a' \rightsquigarrow^* v \in \mathcal{V}[[A]]_k^L$, hence $a \in \mathcal{C}[[A]]_k^L$.
As we don’t count computation steps in Logical fragment, k is constant in all cases above.

Parametric Reducibility and its lemmas are defined as in book “Proofs and Types”, section 14.

We define ρ , the mapping of variables to terms :

Well formed value substitutions :

$$\mathcal{G}[[\cdot]] = \{\phi\}$$

$$\mathcal{G}[[\Gamma, x : \tau]]_k = \{\rho[x \rightarrow v] \mid \rho \in \mathcal{G}[[\Gamma]]_k \wedge v \in \mathcal{V}[[\tau]]_k\}$$

Theorem 1. Soundness : if $\Gamma \vdash^\theta a : A$ and $\Gamma \models_k \rho$ then

- If a has no type variables or in P fragment, $\rho a \in \mathcal{C}[[A]]_k^\theta$
- If a has type variables and is in L fragment then,
Suppose all the free variables of a are among x_1, \dots, x_n of types U_1, \dots, U_n , and all the free type variables of A, U_1, \dots, U_n are among X_1, \dots, X_m . If $\mathcal{C}[[V_1]]_k^L, \dots, \mathcal{C}[[V_m]]_k^L$ are the reducibility candidates R_1, \dots, R_m of types V_1, \dots, V_m and u_1, \dots, u_n are terms of types $U_1[V/X], \dots, U_n[V/X]$ which are in $RED_{U_1}[R/X], \dots, RED_{U_n}[R/X]$ then $a[V/X][u/x] \in RED_T[R/X]$.

Proof: By induction on typing derivations :

$$\begin{array}{l}
\mathbf{T-UNIV-LAM-L} \quad \frac{\Delta, \alpha, \Gamma \vdash^L e : B}{\Delta \Gamma \vdash^L \Lambda \alpha. e : \forall \alpha. B} \\
\text{By I.H., } \forall \nu : \textit{Type}, e[V/X][\nu/\alpha][u/x] \in RED_B[R/X][\mathcal{C}[\nu]_k^L/\alpha] \text{ From Lemma 14.2.2,} \\
\rho(\wedge \alpha. e[V/X]) \in RED_{\forall \alpha. B}[R/X] \\
\\
\mathbf{T-UNIV-APP-L} \quad \frac{\Delta \Gamma \vdash^L e : \forall \alpha. A \quad \Delta \vdash B}{\Delta \Gamma \vdash^L e[B] : [B/\alpha]A} \\
\text{By I.H., } e[V/X][u/x] \in RED_{\forall \alpha. A}[R/X]. \\
\text{From Lemma 14.2.3, } \forall B : \textit{type}, (e[B][V/X][u/x]) \in RED_{[B/\alpha]A}[R/X]
\end{array}$$

In the P fragment, the value interpretation for universal type is defined as :

$$\mathcal{V}[\forall \alpha. A]_k^P = \{ \wedge \alpha. e \mid \vdash^P \wedge \alpha. e : \forall \alpha. A \wedge \forall T : \textit{type}, \forall j < k \text{ s.t. } \Delta \vdash T, [T/\alpha]e \in \mathcal{C}[[T/\alpha]A]_j^P \}$$

T-UNIV-LAM-P :

Proof: From the definition of $\mathcal{C}[\forall \alpha. B]_k^P$, we need to prove

- $\vdash^P \rho(\wedge \alpha. e) : \forall \alpha. B$ - by appeal to the substitution lemma
- $\rho(\wedge \alpha. e) = \wedge \alpha. (\rho(e))$.
 From definition of $\mathcal{C}[\forall \alpha. A]_k^P$, if $\forall T : \textit{type}, \rho([T/\alpha]e) \rightsquigarrow^j v$ for all $j < k$, then it suffices to show that
 $v \in \mathcal{V}[[T/\alpha]B]_{k-j}^P$

By Induction Hypothesis,

$$\Delta, \alpha, \Gamma \vdash^P e : B$$

$$\forall T : \textit{type}, \rho([T/\alpha]e) \in \mathcal{C}[[T/\alpha]B]_k^P$$

Now, we know that $(\rho([T/\alpha]e)) \rightsquigarrow^j v$ and from definition of $\mathcal{C}[[T/\alpha]B]_k^P$, we have

$$v \in \mathcal{V}[[T/\alpha]B]_{k-j}^P.$$

Hence we get that $v \in \mathcal{V}[[T/\alpha]B]_{k-j}^P$.