

Bounded Resources as Languages: A Grammatical Embedding of Substructural Constraints

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Language theory and type theory

$$\underbrace{\sigma \in \mathcal{L}(G) \Leftrightarrow \exists S. (S \Rightarrow_G^* \sigma)}_{\text{membership / parse tree}} \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{\exists \tau. (\Gamma \vdash e : \tau)}_{\text{type checking / proof tree}}$$

$$\underbrace{(W \rightarrow XZ) \in P}_{\text{grammar production}} \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{\frac{\Gamma \vdash x : X \quad \Gamma \vdash z : Z}{\Gamma \vdash xz : W}}_{\text{typing judgment}}$$

$$\underbrace{\mathcal{L}(G) \neq \emptyset \Leftrightarrow \exists \sigma. (S \Rightarrow_G^* \sigma)}_{\text{non-emptiness / generation}} \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{\exists e. (\Gamma \vdash e : \tau)}_{\text{type inhabitation / synthesis}}$$

Goal: Given a set of typing judgments and a typing context (Γ), design a grammar, G , s.t. $\forall \sigma \in \Sigma^{<n} \exists \tau . \sigma \in \mathcal{L}(G) \iff \Gamma \vdash \sigma : \tau$.

Linear logic (LL) and language theory (LT)

	LL	LT	Interpretation
Conjunction (Multiplicative)	$A \otimes B$	$A \cdot B$	Concatenation ¹ $\{a \cdot b \mid a \in \mathcal{L}_A \wedge b \in \mathcal{L}_B\}$
Unit	1	ε	Empty string
Disjunction (Additive)	$A \oplus B$	$A \vee B$	Union $\mathcal{L}_A \cup \mathcal{L}_B$
Conjunction (Additive)	$A \& B$	$A \wedge B$	Intersection $\mathcal{L}_A \cap \mathcal{L}_B$
Iteration (Exponential)	$!A$	A^*	Kleene Star $\mathcal{L}(A^0 \cup A^1 \cup A^2 \cup \dots)$
Implication (Residual)	$A \multimap B$	$A \backslash B$	Left Quotient $\{b \mid \mathcal{L}_A \cdot b \cap \mathcal{L}_B \neq \emptyset\}$

¹ n.b.: We do not assume commutativity ($A \otimes B \neq B \otimes A$) in formal languages.

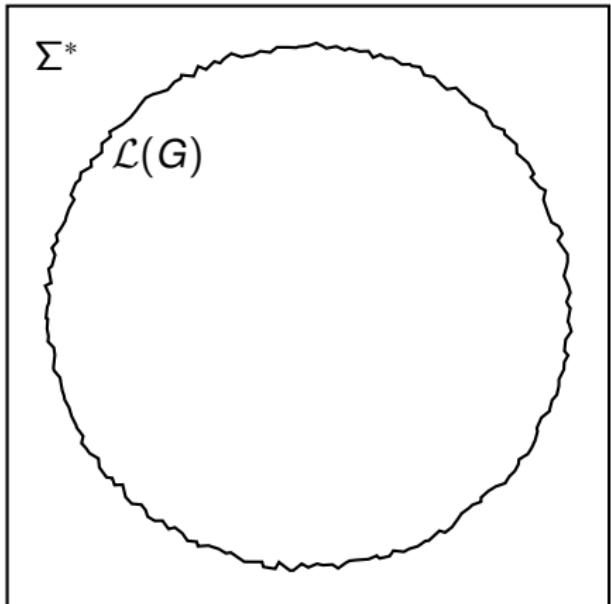
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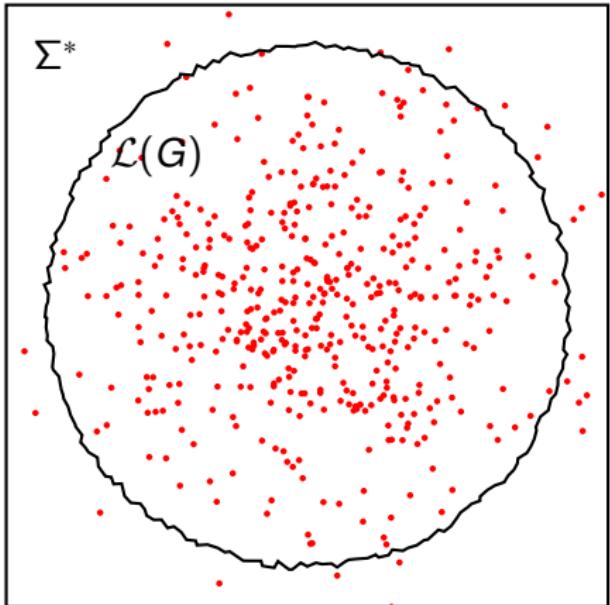
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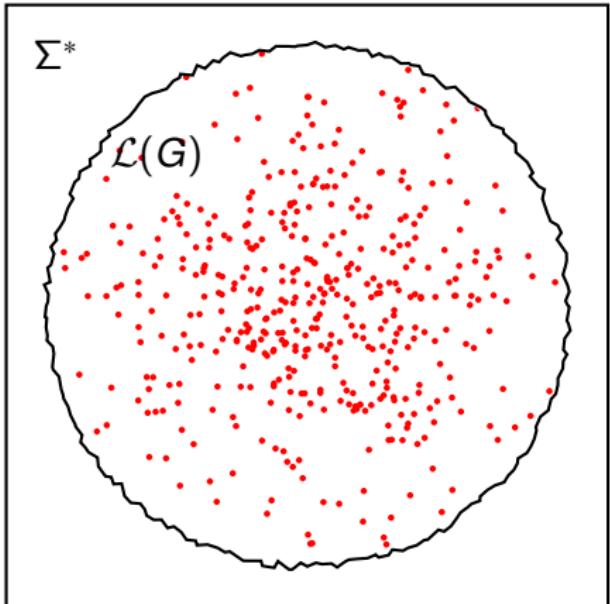
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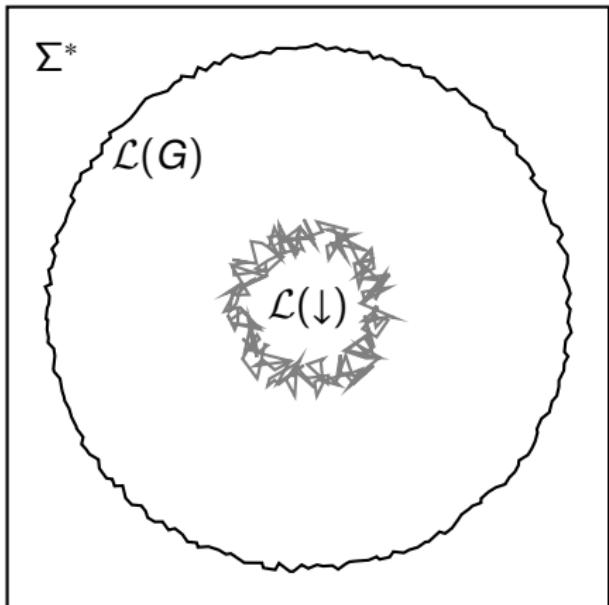
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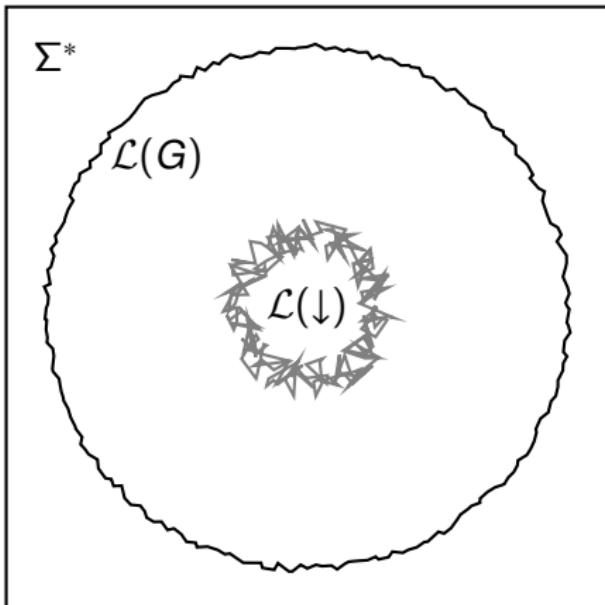
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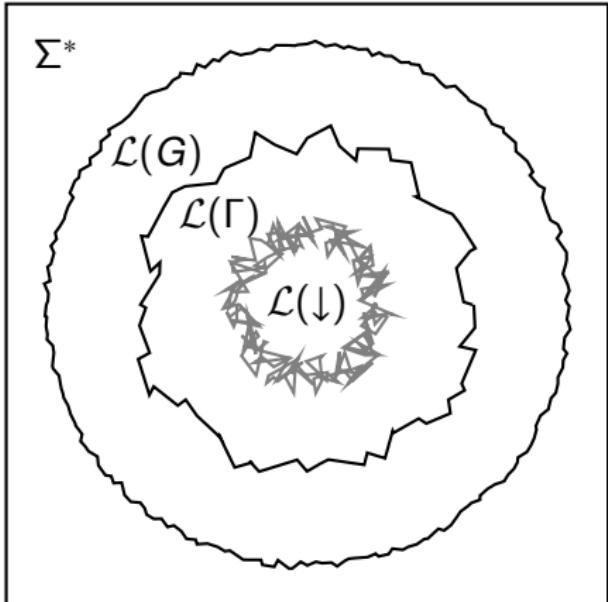
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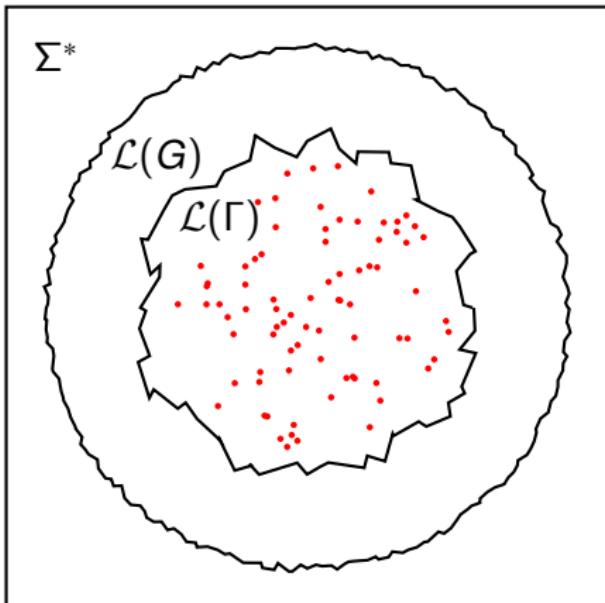
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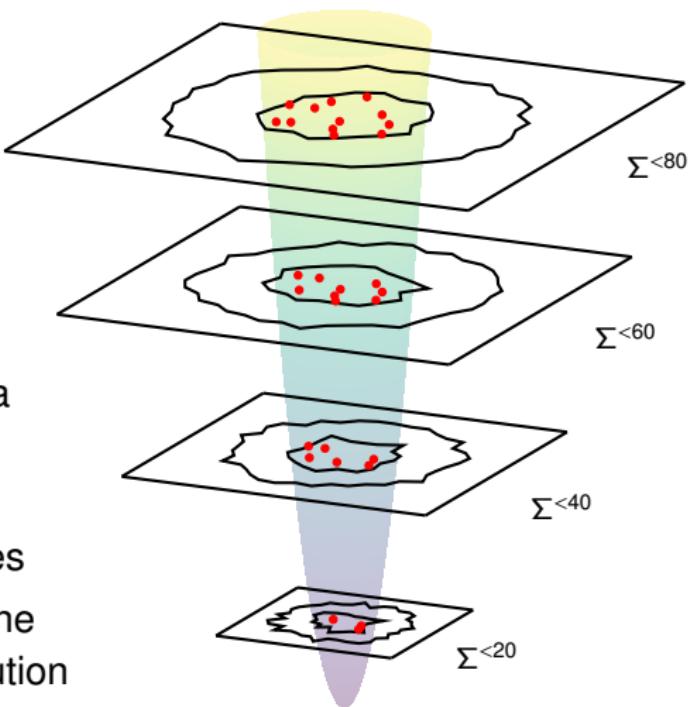
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- ▶ $\mathcal{L}(\Gamma)$: type-safe programs
- ▶ Typesafe: $\sigma \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{L}(\Gamma)$



Stratified sampling with finite model theory

- ▶ But $\mathcal{L}(\Gamma)$ is infinite
- ▶ Consider finite models
- ▶ Isolate key complexity parameters of interest
- ▶ Embed description into a context-free grammar
- ▶ Disintegrate into fixed-parameter tractable slices
- ▶ Sample uniformly from the exact conditional distribution



High-level grammar embedding recipe

- ▶ Fix a finite type universe \mathbb{T} and an ambient global context Γ
- ▶ Decorate vanilla nonterminals with a typing annotation, $E[\tau]$
- ▶ Each typing judgment becomes a schema for constructing a family of synthetic productions, each instantiated with $\tau : \mathbb{T}$
- ▶ Syntax decorators, $\Phi_{p,\tau} : (P \times \mathbb{T}) \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^+ \rightarrow (V \cup \Sigma)^+$

Syntax:
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash E_i : \tau_i \quad p = (E \rightarrow (\Sigma^* E_i \Sigma^*)^{m_{\geq 1}}) \in P}{(E[\tau] \rightarrow \Phi_{p,\tau}(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_m)) \in P_\Gamma}$$

Names: $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau \Rightarrow (E[\tau] \rightarrow e) \in P_\Gamma$

Functions:
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash f : (\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k) \rightarrow \tau}{(E[\tau_1] \rightarrow f (E[\tau_1] , \dots , E[\tau_k])) \in P_\Gamma}$$

Example language: simply typed function syntax

```
FUN ::= fun f0 ( PRM ) : T = EXP
PRM ::= PID : T | PRM , PID : T
EXP ::= `N | `B | PID | INV | IFE | OPX
OPX ::= ( EXP OPR EXP )
IFE ::= if EXP { EXP } else { EXP }
INV ::= FID ( ARG )
ARG ::= EXP | ARG , EXP
OPR ::= + | * | < | ==
PID ::= p1 | ... | pk
FID ::= f0 | f1 | ... | fn
`B ::= true | false
`N ::= 1 | 2 | 3 | ...
```

Type universe: Finite T with two primitive types (e.g., B, N, \dots)

Ambient context: Γ maps $f_0 : (\tau_1, \dots, \tau_m) \rightarrow \tau$.

Expression fragment: static semantics

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_c : \mathbb{B} \quad \Gamma \vdash e_T : \tau \quad \Gamma \vdash e_\perp : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash \text{if } e_c \{ e_T \} \text{ else } \{ e_\perp \} : \tau} \text{ IFE}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash f_- : (\tau_1, \dots, \tau_m) \rightarrow \tau \quad \Gamma \vdash e_i : \tau_i \quad \forall i \in [1, m]}{\Gamma \vdash f_- (e_1, \dots, e_m) : \tau} \text{ INV}$$

$$\frac{\delta_{OPR}(\odot, \tau, \tau') = \hat{\tau} \quad \Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau'}{\Gamma \vdash (e_1 \odot e_2) : \hat{\tau}} \text{ OPX}$$

Where the operator typing function $\delta_{OPR} : \Sigma_{OPR} \times \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ returns:

$$\delta_{OPR}(\odot, \tau, \tau') = \begin{cases} \mathbb{B} & \odot = \text{<}, \tau = \tau' = \mathbb{B} \\ \mathbb{N} & \odot \in \{+, *\}, \tau = \tau' = \mathbb{N} \\ \mathbb{B} & \odot = ==, \tau = \tau' \end{cases}$$

Embedding the type checker (I)

Grammar: $\langle \Sigma, V, P \subset V \times (V \cup \Sigma)^*, S \in V \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \Sigma_\Gamma, V_\Gamma, P_\Gamma, V_\Gamma, S_\Gamma \rangle$

Decorated nonterminals: $\text{EXP}[\tau, \pi] \quad (\tau \in \mathbb{T}, \pi \equiv (\vec{\tau} \rightarrow \dot{\tau}))$

Provide: k , the maximum arity, and \mathbb{T} , the type universe.

$$\frac{\langle \vec{\tau}, \dot{\tau} \rangle \in \mathbb{T}^{0..k} \times \mathbb{T} \quad \vec{\tau}_{0..|\vec{\tau}|} \in \vec{\tau}}{\left(S_\Gamma \rightarrow \text{fun } f\emptyset \left(\prod_{i=1}^{|\vec{\tau}|} (p_i : \vec{\tau}_i) \right) : \dot{\tau} = \text{EXP}[\dot{\tau}, \vec{\tau} \rightarrow \dot{\tau}] \right) \in P_\Gamma} \text{FUN}_\varphi$$

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Embedding the type checker (II)

$$\frac{\text{EXP}[\tau, \pi] \in V_\Gamma \quad \Gamma \vdash f_- : (\tau_1, \dots, \tau_m) \rightarrow \tau}{\left(\text{EXP}[\tau, \pi] \rightarrow f_- \left(\underset{i=1}{\overset{m}{,}} \text{EXP}[\tau_i, \pi] \right) \right) \in P_\Gamma} \text{INV}_\varphi$$

$$\frac{\text{EXP}[\tau, \pi] \in V_\Gamma \quad \tau = \tau' \quad \tau, \tau' \in \mathbb{T}}{\left(\text{EXP}[\tau, \pi] \rightarrow \text{if EXP}[\mathbb{B}, \pi] \{ \text{EXP}[\tau, \pi] \} \text{else } \{ \text{EXP}[\tau', \pi] \} \right) \in P_\Gamma} \text{IFE}_\varphi$$

$$\frac{\text{EXP}[\hat{\tau}, \pi] \in V_\Gamma \quad \delta_{\text{OPR}}(\odot, \tau, \tau') = \hat{\tau} \quad \odot \in \{==, <, +, *\}}{\left(\text{EXP}[\hat{\tau}, \pi] \rightarrow (\text{EXP}[\tau, \pi] \odot \text{EXP}[\tau', \pi]) \right) \in P_\Gamma} \text{OPX}_\varphi$$

Finally, we normalize to Chomsky Normal Form (CNF), rewriting all productions to either **(1)** ($w \rightarrow xz$) : $V \times V^2$ or **(2)** ($w \rightarrow t$) : $V \times \Sigma$.

Addendum: CFG \cap NFA closure and G_{\cap} construction

Bar-Hillel (1961): For any CFG G , and NFA $A = \langle Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_\alpha, F \rangle$, $\exists G_{\cap}$ s.t. $\mathcal{L}(G_{\cap}) = \mathcal{L}(G) \cap \mathcal{L}(A)$. Salomaa's (1973) construction:

$$\frac{q_\omega \in F}{(S_{\cap} \rightarrow q_\alpha S q_\omega) \in P_{\cap}} S \quad \frac{(W \rightarrow a) \in P \quad (p \xrightarrow{a} r) \in \delta}{(pWr \rightarrow a) \in P_{\cap}} \uparrow$$
$$\frac{(W \rightarrow XZ) \in P \quad p, q, r \in Q}{(pWr \rightarrow (pXq)(qZr)) \in P_{\cap}} \bowtie$$

but, there is a *much* more efficient construction. Intuition: want to show $q_\alpha \rightsquigarrow q_\omega$ in A such that $q_\omega : F$ where $q_\alpha \rightsquigarrow q_\omega \vdash S$. At least one of two cases must hold for $w \in V$ to parse a given $p \rightsquigarrow r$ pair:

1. $\exists a. ((p \xrightarrow{a} r) \in \delta \wedge (w \rightarrow a) \in P)$, or,
2. $\exists q, x, z. ((w \rightarrow xz) \in P \wedge \overbrace{p \rightsquigarrow q, q \rightsquigarrow r}^w)$.

Finite intersection as matrix exponentiation on $(2^V, \oplus, \otimes)$

Let $M \in (2^V)^{|Q| \times |Q|}$, with entries $M[r, c] \subseteq V$ (a set of nonterminals), and let $X \oplus Z = X \cup Z$, $X \otimes Z = \{ w \mid \exists x \in X, z \in Z. (w \rightarrow xz) \in P \}$.

$$M_0[r, c] = \bigcup_{a \in \Sigma} \left\{ w \mid (w \rightarrow a) \in P \wedge (q_r \xrightarrow{a} q_c) \in \delta \right\}.$$

We will define the matrix exponential in the standard manner:

$$e^{M_0} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} M_0^i = \sum_{i=0}^{|Q|} M_0^i \quad (\alpha_\emptyset \Leftrightarrow \text{S.U.T.} \Rightarrow \text{nilpotent}).$$

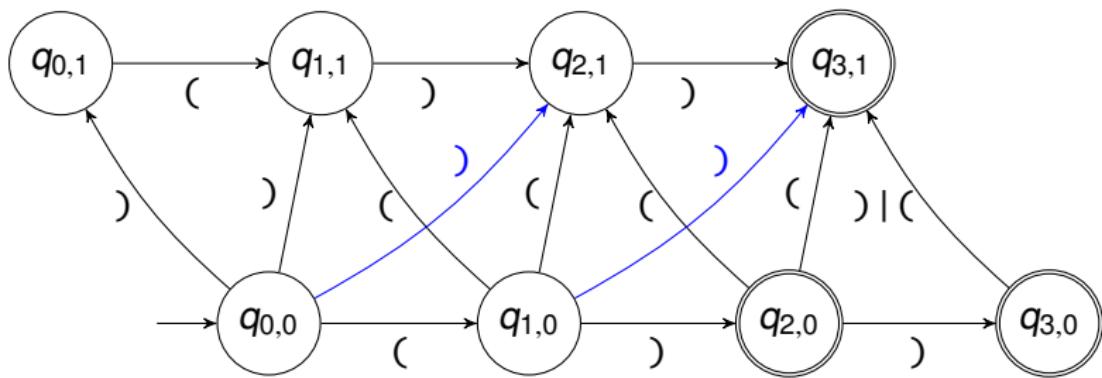
$$T(2n) = \sum_{i=0}^{2n} M_0^i = \begin{cases} M_0, & n = 1, \\ T(n) \oplus (T(n) \cdot T(n)), & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The following proposition decides nonemptiness:

$$\left[\bigvee_{q_\omega \in F} S \in e^{M_0}[q_\alpha, q_\omega] \right] \iff \mathcal{L}(G) \cap \mathcal{L}(\alpha_\cap) \neq \emptyset$$

Repair example: Simple Levenshtein automaton

Suppose we have the string, $\sigma = (\))$ and wish to balance the parentheses. Assume we have the Chomsky Normal Form CFG, $G' = \{S \rightarrow LR, S \rightarrow LF, S \rightarrow SS, F \rightarrow SR, L \rightarrow (, R \rightarrow)\}$ and let us impose an ordering of S, F, L, R on V . We will initially have the Levenshtein automaton, α_\emptyset , depicted below:



n.b. acyclic, therefore has strictly upper triangular adjacency matrix.

Repair example: Initial parse chart (M_0)

M_0	q_{00}	q_{01}	q_{10}	q_{11}	q_{20}	q_{21}	q_{30}	q_{31}
q_{00}	$SFLR$ □□□■	$SFLR$ □□■□	$SFLR$ □□□■	$SFLR$ □□□□	$SFLR$ □□□■	$SFLR$ □□□□	$SFLR$ □□□□	$SFLR$ □□□□
q_{01}		□□□□		□□■□	□□□□	□□□□	□□□□	□□□□
q_{10}				□□■□	□□□■	□□■□	□□□□	□□□■
q_{11}					□□□□	□□□■	□□□□	□□□□
q_{20}						□□■□	□□□■	□□■□
q_{21}							□□□□	□□□■
q_{30}								□□■■
q_{31}								

Initial configuration, after filling all unit productions.

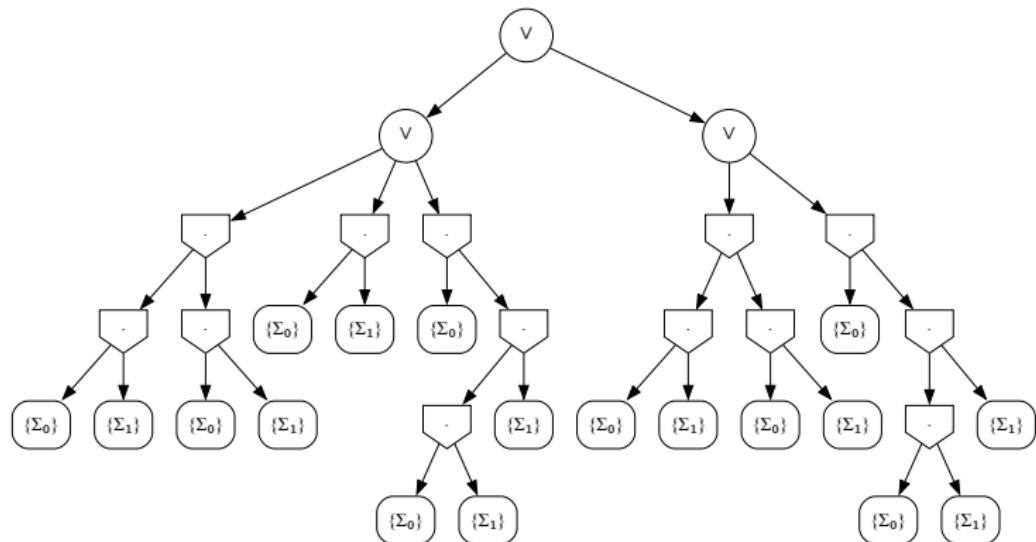
Repair example: Final parse chart (e^{M_0})

M_∞	q_{00}	q_{01}	q_{10}	q_{11}	q_{20}	q_{21}	q_{30}	q_{31}
q_{00}	$SFLR$ □□□■	$SFLR$ □□■□	$SFLR$ □□□■	$SFLR$ ■□□□	$SFLR$ □□□■	$SFLR$ □■□□	$SFLR$ ■□□□	$SFLR$ ■□□□
q_{01}		□□□□		□□■□	□□□□	■□□□	□□□□	□■□□
q_{10}				□□■□	□□□■	■□■□	□□□□	■■□□
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q_{21}						□□□□	□□□■	
q_{30}							□□■■	
q_{31}								

Final configuration, after matrix fixpoint is reached.

Repair example: Regex denoting $\mathcal{L}(G) \cap \mathcal{L}(\alpha_\emptyset)$

$$\left(\text{a b a b} \mid \left(\text{a b} \mid \text{a a b b} \right) \right) \mid \left(\text{a b a b} \mid \text{a a b b} \right)$$



Regular expression reconstructed from the final parse chart.

Enumerative tree sampling

Let $e : E$ be an SFRE with two connectives: $e \rightarrow \Sigma$ | $e \cdot e$ | $e \vee e$.

Theorem (Uniform tree enumeration)

To sample parse trees, take a PRNG and feed it into *enum*:

$$\text{enum}(e, n) = \begin{cases} e & \text{if } e \in \Sigma \\ \text{enum}\left(x, \lfloor \frac{n}{|z|} \rfloor\right) \cdot \text{enum}\left(z, n \bmod |z|\right) & \text{if } e = x \cdot z \\ \text{enum}\left((x, z)_{\min(1, \lfloor \frac{n}{|x|} \rfloor)}, n - |x| \min(1, \lfloor \frac{n}{|x|} \rfloor)\right) & \text{if } e = x \vee z \end{cases}$$

Where the number of parse trees in a SFRE we abbreviate as $|e|$:

$$|e| : E \rightarrow \mathbb{N} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } e \in \Sigma \\ x \times z & \text{if } e = x \cdot z \\ x + z & \text{if } e = x \vee z \end{cases}$$

n.b. we may need to disambiguate to guarantee $\mathcal{L}(e)$ uniformity.

Autoregressive Brzozowski sampling

Now, for any SFRE, e , choose (e) witnesses $\sigma \in \mathcal{L}(e)$:

$$\text{follow}(e) = \begin{cases} \{e\} & \text{if } e \in \Sigma \\ \text{follow}(x) & \text{if } e = x \cdot z \\ \text{follow}(x) \cup \text{follow}(z) & \text{if } e = x \vee z \end{cases}$$

$$\text{choose}(e) = \begin{cases} e & \text{if } e \in \Sigma \\ (s \rightsquigarrow \text{follow}(e)) \cdot \text{choose}(\delta_s e) & \text{if } e = x \cdot z \\ \text{choose}(e' \rightsquigarrow \{x, z\}) & \text{if } e = x \vee z \end{cases}$$

where $\delta_s e$ is the Brzozowskian derivative (1973) and \rightsquigarrow denotes probabilistic choice from a small finite set. This may be augmented with a weighted choice operator, $\sigma \rightsquigarrow P_\theta(\sigma_n \mid \sigma_{n-1}, \dots, \sigma_{n-k})$.

Boltzmann Sampling I: From Grammar to Equations

Symbolic Method

First map the structural specification (i.e., the CFG) to a system of equations $\mathbf{y}(x) = \Phi(\mathbf{y}(x), x)$.

Translation:

- ▶ **Union** ($\mathcal{A} \cong \mathcal{B} + \mathcal{C}$) \rightarrow Sum $(A(x) = B(x) + C(x))$
- ▶ **Product** ($\mathcal{A} \cong \mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{C}$) \rightarrow Product $(A(x) = B(x) \cdot C(x))$
- ▶ **Atom** ($\mathcal{A} \cong \mathcal{Z}$) \rightarrow Variable $(A(x) = x)$

Example

A system with non-terminals U, V yields $\mathbf{y} = [U(x), V(x)]^T$:

$$\begin{array}{lcl} U \rightarrow a \text{ } V \text{ } U \mid b \text{ } V \mid c & \Rightarrow & \begin{cases} U(x) = xV(x)U(x) + x \\ V(x) = xU(x)^2 + x \end{cases} \\ V \rightarrow d \text{ } U \text{ } U \mid e & & \end{array}$$

Boltzmann Sampling II: Tuning the Mean Size

Objective: For nonterminal C , target mean size n by tuning x :

$$\mathbb{E}_x[\text{Size}] = \frac{x \cdot C'(x)}{C(x)} = n$$

Newton Iteration: Find oracle weights \mathbf{y} by solving:

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{y} - \Phi(\mathbf{y}, x) = \mathbf{0}$$

- ▶ **Jacobian:** Compute $\mathbf{J} = \mathbf{I} - \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \mathbf{y}}$ (e.g., via AD, SD, or FD).
- ▶ **Update step:** Iterate until convergence:

$$\mathbf{y}_{k+1} = \mathbf{y}_k - \mathbf{J}^{-1} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{y}_k)$$

This will converge quadratically and we obtain $C(x)$ and $C'(x)$.

Boltzmann Sampling III: Recursive Generation

A Boltzmann sampler $\Gamma C(x)$ draws $\gamma \in \mathcal{C}$ with $\mathbb{P}_x(\gamma) = x^{|\gamma|}/C(x)$
i.e., roll a weighted die, pick a branch according to \mathbf{y} .

Algorithm (class $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{B}_1 + \mathcal{B}_2 + \dots$):

1. **Local Weights:** Retrieve value $A(x)$ from \mathbf{y} . The probability of choosing rule k is its share of the total weight:

$$\pi_k = \frac{B_k(x)}{A(x)}$$

2. **Choice:** Pick rule k with probability π_k .
3. **Recurse:** If rule k is a product, e.g., $\mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{D}$, each component \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{D} can be generated independently.

Note: Pre-calculating $\mathbf{y}(x)$ ensures $\mathcal{O}(1)$ cost per node generated.

Evaluation benchmarks

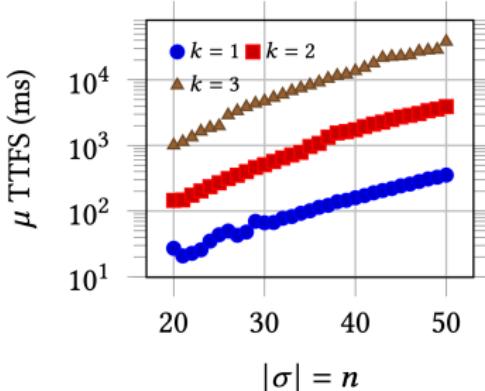
Experimental Setup

- ▶ Arity: $k \in \{1, 2, 3\}$
Fixed: $|\Gamma| = 18$, $|\mathbb{T}| = 7$
- ▶ CNF grammar sizes:
 $|G'_\Gamma| \in [1.9 \times 10^4, 9.9 \times 10^5]$
- ▶ Apple M4 (16 GB RAM)

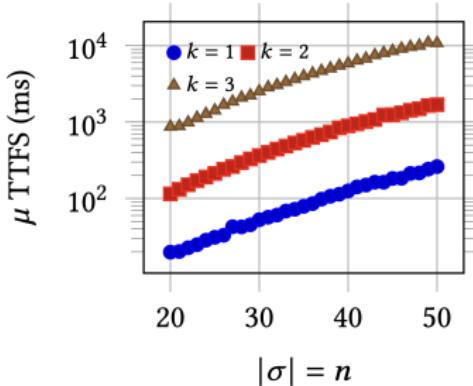
Benchmarks

- ▶ **Slicing:** $\sigma \leftarrow \mathcal{L}(G'_\Gamma) \cap \Sigma^n$
- ▶ **Type inference:** reuse random functions from slice sampling,
replace $(:\tau=)$ with $(:\Sigma=)$, and
 $\sigma' \leftarrow \mathcal{L}(G'_\Gamma) \cap (\dots : \Sigma = \dots)$
- ▶ **Bounded delay:** 1786 ± 817 ns
- ▶ **Throughput:** $\sim 2.2 \times 10^7$ tok/s

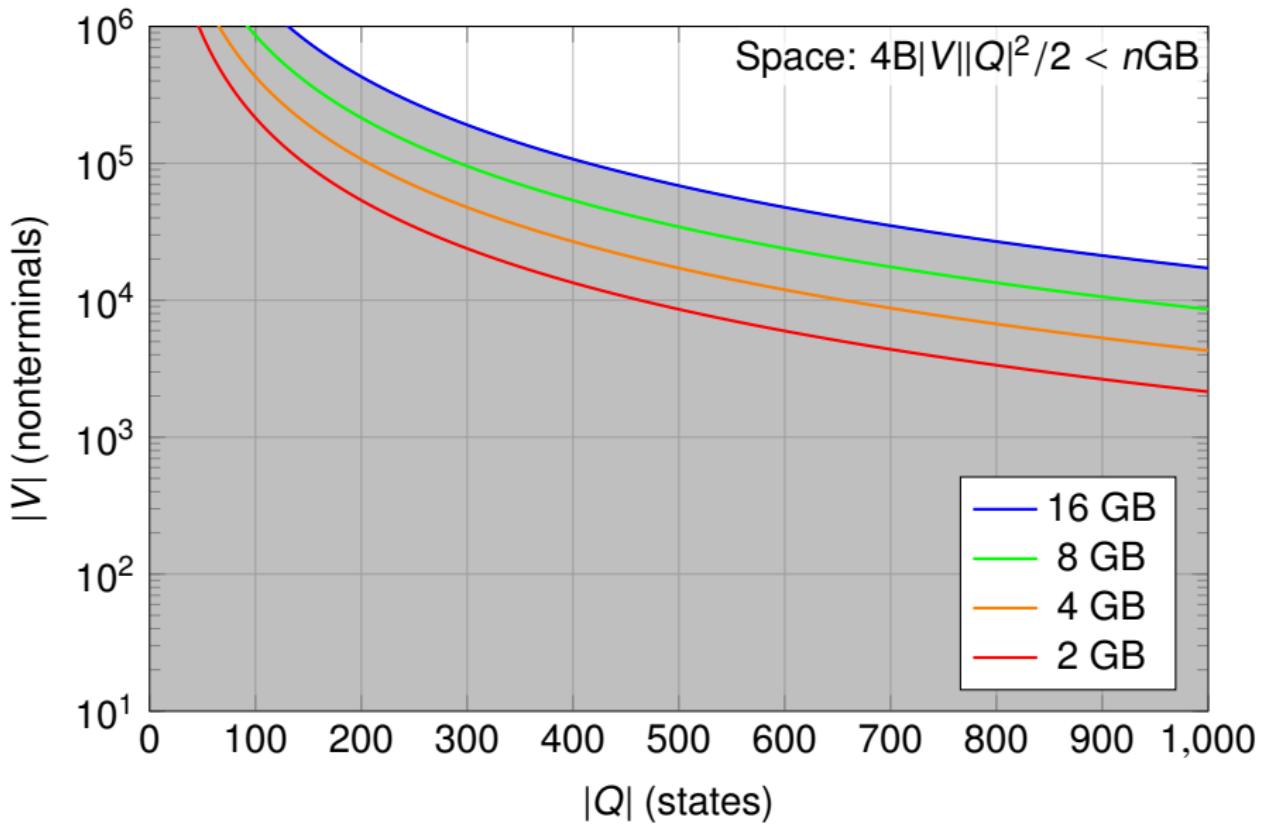
Slice sampling delay



Type inference delay



$\mathcal{L}(G) \cap \mathcal{L}(\alpha_\emptyset)$ instances feasible in under 16 GB



μ Rust: Syntax and semantics

Consider a singly-typed language with the following terms:

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FUN ::= fn f0 ( PRM ) -> T { BDY }
PRM ::= PID : T | PRM , PID : T
BDY ::= INV | STM BDY
STM ::= let PID = INV ;
INV ::= FID ( ARG )
ARG ::= PID | ARG , ARG
PID ::= p1 | ... | pk
FID ::= f0 | f1 | ... | fm
```

Assume an ambient context, Γ , consisting of f_1, \dots, f_m :

$$\Gamma ::= \emptyset \mid \Gamma, f_- : (\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k) \rightarrow \tau$$

The unrestricted semantics are conventional.

μ Rust: Examples

This admits straight line programs (SLPs) of the following shape,

```
fn f0(p1 : T, p2 : T) -> T {  
    let p3 = mul(p1, p2);  
    let p4 = add(p1, p1);  
    let p5 = mul(p1, p3);  
    let p6 = add(p3, p1);  
    add(p3, p5)  
}
```

> Warning: p4, p6 are unused!

however unused resources, i.e., names may remain after returning.

Ambient context

Now, let us interpolate `f0` as a string inside the following context:

```
[forbid(unused_variables)]
```

```
[derive(Clone, Copy, Debug)]
```

```
[must_use]
```

```
pub struct T(i128);
```

```
fn add(_ : T, _ : T) -> T { T(0) }
```

```
fn mul(_ : T, _ : T) -> T { T(0) }
```

```
...
```

```
fn f0(p1 : T, ..., pk : T) -> T { <...> }
```

μ Rust_{SL}: Relevance semantics

Obligations. For $f\emptyset$ with parameters $p_1 : \tau_1, \dots, p_k : \tau_k$, initialize $\Phi = \{p_1, \dots, p_k\}$. Each bound name must be used *at least once*. Locals introduced by let also carry obligations. Body is well-typed iff all obligations are discharged, i.e., $\Gamma, \Delta \vdash \text{BDY} : \tau \mid \Phi \Rightarrow \emptyset$.

Judgments: $\Gamma, \Delta \vdash t : \tau \mid \Phi \Rightarrow \Phi'$.

$$\frac{p : \tau \in \Gamma \quad p \in \Phi}{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash p : \tau \mid \Phi \Rightarrow \Phi \setminus \{p\}} \text{ (VAR)} \qquad \frac{p : \tau \in \Gamma \quad p \notin \Phi}{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash p : \tau \mid \Phi \Rightarrow \Phi} \text{ (VAR}_\notin\text{)}$$

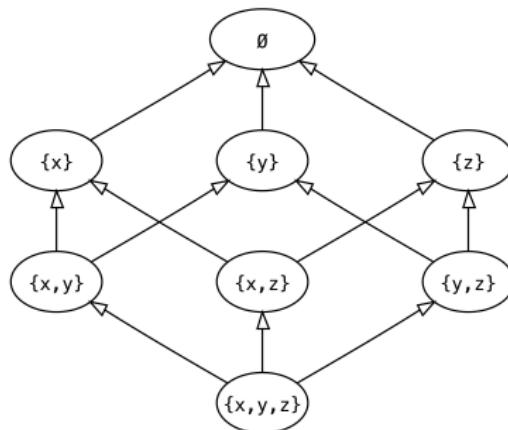
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash f_ : (\tau_1, \dots, \tau_m) \rightarrow \tau \quad \Gamma, \Delta \vdash e_i : \tau_i \mid \Phi_{i-1} \Rightarrow \Phi_i \ \forall i \in [1, m]}{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash f_ (e_1, \dots, e_m) : \tau \mid \Phi_0 \Rightarrow \Phi_m} \text{ (INV)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash s_1 : \text{unit} \mid \Phi_0 \Rightarrow \Phi_1 \quad \Gamma, \Delta \vdash s_2 : \text{unit} \mid \Phi_1 \Rightarrow \Phi_2}{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash s_1 ; s_2 : \text{unit} \mid \Phi_0 \Rightarrow \Phi_2} \text{ (SEQ)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash e : \tau \mid \Phi_0 \Rightarrow \Phi_1 \quad \Gamma, \Delta \vdash x : \tau \mid \Phi_1 \cup \{x\} \Rightarrow \Phi_2}{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash \text{let } x = e : \text{unit} \mid \Phi_0 \Rightarrow \Phi_2} \text{ (LET)}$$

CFG embedding: intuition

To express all $\Phi \Rightarrow \Phi'$ possible transitions, we must construct a Hasse diagram, H_k , e.g., for $k = 3$ parameters $\{x, y, z\}$,



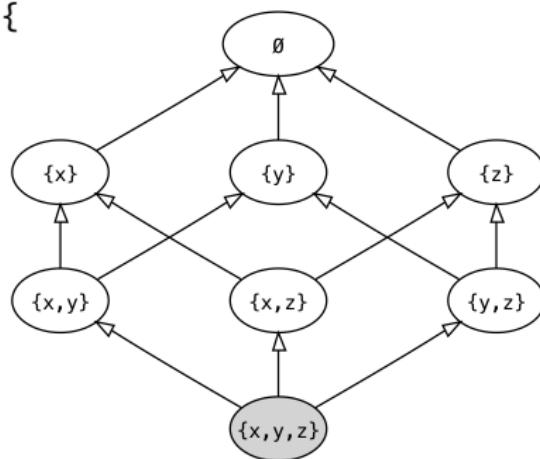
for all relevant productions. This will be tractable for $k \lesssim 10$.

$$|\{v, v' \in H_k \mid v \subset v'\}| = \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} (2^{k-i} - 1) = 3^k - 2^k.$$

Path enumeration

Our grammar will need to express all possible transition paths, e.g.,

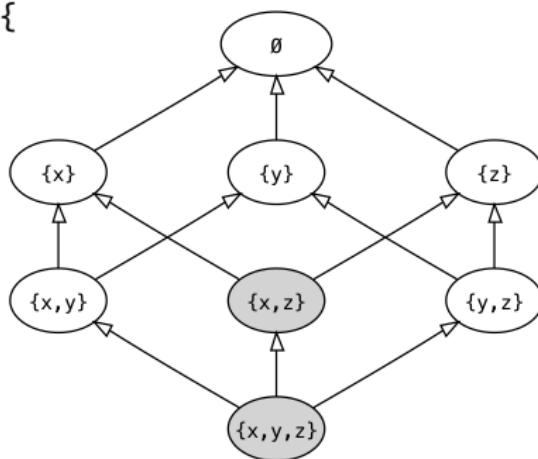
```
fn f0(x : T, y : T, z : T) -> T {  
    // Unused: {x,y,z}  
}
```



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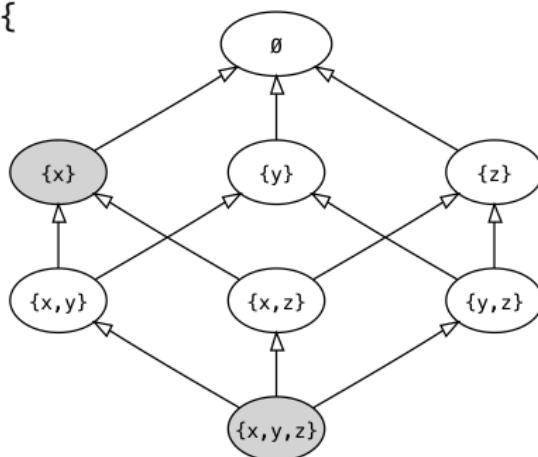
```
fn f0(x : T, y : T, z : T) -> T {  
    let _ = mul(y, y); // {x,z}  
    // BDY | {x,y,z} => {x,z}  
}
```



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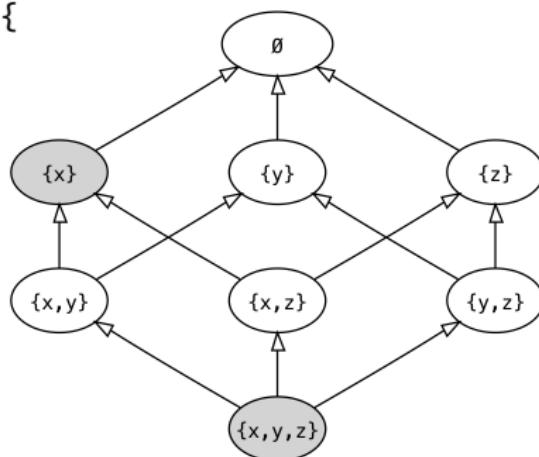
```
fn f0(x : T, y : T, z : T) -> T {  
    let _ = mul(y, y); // {x,z}  
    let _ = add(y, z); // {x}  
    // BDY | {x,y,z}=>{x}  
}
```



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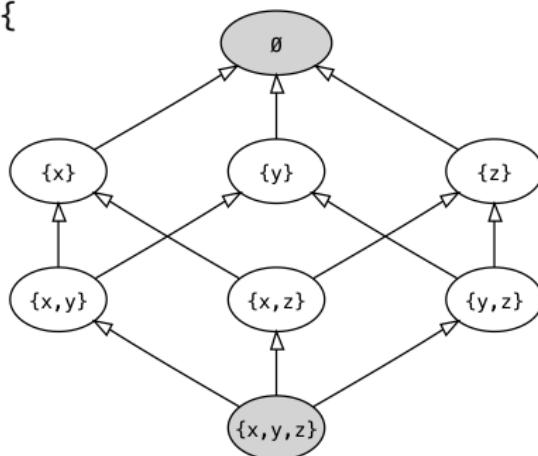
```
fn f0(x : T, y : T, z : T) -> T {  
    let _ = mul(y, y); // {x,z}  
    let _ = add(y, z); // {x}  
    let _ = mul(z, y); // {x}  
    // BDY | {x,y,z}=>{x}  
}
```



Path enumeration

Our grammar will need to express all possible transition paths, e.g.,

```
fn f0(x : T, y : T, z : T) -> T {  
    let _ = mul(y, y); // {x,z}  
    let _ = add(y, z); // {x}  
    let _ = mul(z, y); // {x}  
    let _ = mul(x, z); // {}  
    // BDY | {x,y,z}=>{}  
}
```



CFG embedding

We want to permit only functions with no outstanding obligations.

Construct a CFG, $G_\Gamma = \langle \Sigma, V_\Gamma, P_\Gamma, S_\Gamma \rangle$:

$$\frac{\vec{\tau} : \mathbb{T}^{0..k} \quad \Phi \Rightarrow \Phi' = \{p_i, \dots, p_k\} \Rightarrow \emptyset}{\left(S_\Gamma \rightarrow \text{fn } f0 \ (\underset{i=1}{\overset{|\vec{\tau}|}{\bullet}} (p_i : \vec{\tau}_i)) : \tau = \text{BDY}[\tau, \Phi \Rightarrow \Phi'] \right) \in P_\Gamma} \text{FUN}_\varphi$$

We will decorate nonterminals with a pair of (1) the expression's local return type (τ), and (2) relevance obligations ($\Phi \Rightarrow \Phi'$):

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash f_+ : (\tau_1, \dots, \tau_m) \rightarrow \tau \quad \Phi' \subseteq \Phi \quad \Phi \setminus \Phi' = \bigcup_{i=1}^m \{p_i\}}{\left(\text{INV}[\tau, \Phi \Rightarrow \Phi'] \rightarrow f_- (\underset{i=1}{\overset{m}{\bullet}} p_i) \right) \in P_\Gamma} \text{INV}_\varphi$$

where $\bullet(\cdot)$ denotes a macro for a comma-separated list, i.e.,

$$\underset{i=1}{\overset{m}{\bullet}}(x_i) := x_1 , \dots , x_m \text{ if } m > 1 \text{ else } x_1 \text{ if } m = 1 \text{ else } \varepsilon$$

μ Rust_{SL}: sequencing and binding

Sequencing. A sequence $s_1 ; s_2$ composes obligation contexts:

$$[\![s_1 ; s_2]\!] = [\![s_2]\!] \circ [\![s_1]\!].$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash s_1 : \text{unit} \mid \Phi_0 \Rightarrow \Phi_1 \quad \Gamma, \Delta \vdash s_2 : \text{unit} \mid \Phi_1 \Rightarrow \Phi_2}{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash s_1 ; s_2 : \text{unit} \mid \Phi_0 \Rightarrow \Phi_2} \text{ (SEQ)}$$

Let-binding. A local binding introduces a fresh obligation that must be subsequently discharged:

$$\Gamma, \Delta \vdash \text{let } x = e \text{ acts as } \Phi_0 \xrightarrow{e} \Phi_1 \xrightarrow{\cup\{x\}} \Phi_2$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash e : \tau \mid \Phi_0 \Rightarrow \Phi_1 \quad \Gamma, \Delta \vdash x : \tau \mid \Phi_1 \cup \{x\} \Rightarrow \Phi_2}{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash \text{let } x = e : \text{unit} \mid \Phi_0 \Rightarrow \Phi_2} \text{ (LET)}$$

μ Rust_{SL} embedding: sequencing and binding

Sequencing. Recall the (SEQ) rule, which BDY_φ will mirror:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\text{BDY}[\tau, \Phi_0 \Rightarrow \Phi_2] \rightarrow \text{STM}[\text{unit}, \Phi_0 \Rightarrow \Phi_1] ; \text{BDY}[\tau, \Phi_1 \Rightarrow \Phi_2] \right) \in P_\Gamma, \\ & \left(\text{BDY}[\tau, \Phi \Rightarrow \emptyset] \rightarrow \text{INV}[\tau, \Phi \Rightarrow \emptyset] \right) \in P_\Gamma \end{aligned}$$

for all possible obligation states Φ_0, Φ_1, Φ_2 , s.t. $\Phi_2 \subseteq \Phi_1 \subseteq \Phi_0$.

Let-binding. STM_φ generates a set of STM productions. Whenever,

$$\Gamma, \Delta \vdash e : \tau \mid \Phi_0 \Rightarrow \Phi_1 \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma, \Delta \vdash x : \tau \mid \Phi_1 \cup \{x\} \Rightarrow \Phi_2,$$

we will add the corresponding production:

$$\left(\text{STM}[\text{unit}, \Phi_0 \Rightarrow \Phi_2] \rightarrow \text{let } x = \text{INV}[\tau, \Phi_0 \Rightarrow \Phi_1] \right) \in P_\Gamma,$$

These rules ensure every word $\sigma \in \mathcal{L}(\text{BDY}[\tau, \Phi \Rightarrow \emptyset])$ corresponds to a well-typed relevant μ Rust_{SL} fragment.

Future work

- ▶ Formalize edit calculus using DiLL (*Ehrhard & Regnier*, 2003)
- ▶ Understand the connection to CMTT (*Nanevski et. al.*, 2007)
- ▶ Incrementalization and coalgebraic language intersection
- ▶ More compact embeddings and asymptotic complexity
- ▶ Lazily materialize CFG during intersection or sampling
- ▶ Extend to richer type systems, e.g., polymorphism, higher-order functions, subtyping, nested scope
- ▶ “A Tree Sampler for Bounded CFLs” (Considine, 2024) describes a uniform sampler for finite CFL intersections
- ▶ “A Word Sampler for Well-Typed Functions” (Considine, 2025) describes an embedding for simply-typed first-order functions
- ▶ Applications to proof search and property-based testing
- ▶ Try it yourself at: <https://tidyparse.github.io>

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