

Productivity

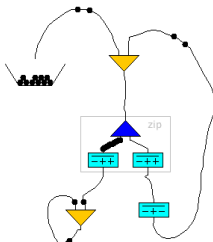
introduction, history

pure stream format, pebbleflow nets, decidability

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course overview

today:

1. introduction, history (D)
2. the pure stream format, pebbleflow nets, decidability (D)
3. extended formats (C)

tomorrow:

4. data-oblivious productivity (C)
5. productivity of infinite data structures via termination (J)
6. complexity and variants of productivity (C)
7. practicum: defining streams (you)

outline parts 1 & 2

1. introduction
2. history
3. the pure stream format
4. modelling with nets
5. deciding productivity
6. conclusion

what is productivity?

a finite expression is **productive** if it

- ▶ represents a **unique** infinite object, and
- ▶ allows for the **construction** of this infinite object

in a slogan:

productivity = constructive well-definedness

in this talk:

- ▶ infinite objects: streams (infinite constructor normal forms)
- ▶ finite expressions: functional programs / term rewriting systems
- ▶ construction: evaluation / term rewriting

why study productivity?

productivity is a crucial property for **correctness** of programs dealing with infinite data structures:

- ▶ productivity ensures unlimited **progress**
- ▶ a productive program produces **values** indefinitely
- ▶ a productive program is **immune to starvation**

streams

- ▶ a **stream** over A is an infinite sequence of elements from A
- ▶ we write streams as

$$a_0 : a_1 : a_2 : \dots$$

where ':' is the stream constructor symbol

example

$\text{zeros} = 0 : 0 : 0 : \dots$

$\text{fib} = 0 : 1 : 1 : 2 : 3 : 5 : 8 : \dots$

$\text{morse} = 0 : 1 : 1 : 0 : 1 : 0 : 0 : 1 : \dots$

$\text{facts} = 1 : 1 : 2 : 6 : 24 : 120 : \dots$

productivity of stream specifications

definition

a **stream specification** is an orthogonal, $\{S, D\}$ -sorted constructor TRS

definition

a stream specification is **productive** for a term t if outermost-fair evaluation results in an infinite **constructor normal form**:

$$t \twoheadrightarrow a_0 : a_1 : a_2 : \dots$$

- ▶ productivity of stream specifications is **undecidable** in general

example stream specifications

example (productive? yes!)

$\text{zeros} \rightarrow 0 : \text{zeros}$

The rule for `zeros` produces 0's indefinitely:

$\text{zeros} \rightarrow 0 : \text{zeros} \rightarrow 0 : 0 : \text{zeros} \rightsquigarrow 0 : 0 : 0 : \dots$

example stream specifications

example (productive? no!)

$$\begin{aligned} N &\rightarrow 0 : \text{tail}(N) \\ \text{tail}(x : xs) &\rightarrow xs \end{aligned}$$

we cannot make any progress:

$$\begin{aligned} N &\rightarrow 0 : \text{tail}(N) \\ &\rightarrow 0 : \text{tail}(0 : \text{tail}(N)) \\ &\rightarrow 0 : \text{tail}(N) \\ &\rightarrow \dots \end{aligned}$$

example stream specifications

example (productive? **yes!**)

$$\begin{aligned} A &\rightarrow 0 : \text{read1}(A) \\ \text{read1}(x : xs) &\rightarrow x : \text{read1}(xs) \end{aligned}$$
$$\begin{aligned} A &\rightarrow 0 : \text{read1}(A) \\ &\rightarrow 0 : \text{read1}(0 : \text{read1}(A)) \\ &\rightarrow 0 : 0 : \text{read1}(\text{read1}(A)) \\ &\Rightarrow 0 : 0 : 0 : \dots \end{aligned}$$

example stream specifications

example (productive? no!)

$$\begin{aligned} B &\rightarrow 0 : \text{read2}(B) \\ \text{read2}(x : y : xs) &\rightarrow x : y : \text{read2}(xs) \end{aligned}$$

The rule for `read2` can never be applied:

$$\begin{aligned} B &\rightarrow 0 : \text{read2}(B) \\ &\rightarrow 0 : \text{read2}(0 : \text{read2}(B)) \\ &\Rightarrow 0 : \text{read2}(0 : \text{read2}(0 : \text{read2}(\dots))) \end{aligned}$$

operational versus extensional

```
read1(x : xs) → x : read1(xs)
read2(x : y : xs) → x : y : read2(xs)
```

- `read1` and `read2` are extensionally equal, but intensionally/operationally they are not!

productivity versus unique solvability

example (productive? no!)

$$\begin{aligned}Z &= h(Z) \\ h(x : xs) &= 0 : h(xs)\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Z has a unique solution $0 : 0 : 0 : \dots$
- ▶ but this solution cannot be found by evaluating the specification:

$$Z = h(Z) = h(h(Z)) = \dots$$

example stream specifications

example (productive? yes!)

$\text{morse} \rightarrow 0 : 1 : \text{h}(\text{tail}(\text{morse}))$

$\text{h}(x : xs) \rightarrow x : \text{not}(x) : \text{h}(xs)$

$\text{tail}(x : xs) \rightarrow xs$

$\text{not}(0) \rightarrow 1$

$\text{not}(1) \rightarrow 0$

productivity of stream specifications

example (productive? **no!**)

$$\begin{aligned}J &\rightarrow 0 : 1 : \text{even}(J) \\ \text{even}(x : xs) &\rightarrow x : \text{odd}(xs) \\ \text{odd}(x : xs) &\rightarrow \text{even}(xs)\end{aligned}$$
$$\begin{aligned}\text{even}(J) &\rightarrow \text{even}(0 : 1 : \text{even}(J)) \rightarrow 0 : \text{even}^2(J) \\ \text{even}^2(J) &\rightarrow \text{even}(0 : \text{even}^2(J)) \rightarrow 0 : \text{odd}(\text{even}^2(J)) \\ \text{odd}(\text{even}^2(J)) &\rightarrow \text{odd}(0 : \text{odd}(\text{even}^2(J))) \rightarrow \text{even}(\text{odd}(\text{even}^2(J))) \\ &\rightarrow \text{even}^\omega\end{aligned}$$

- and hence:

$$J \rightarrow 0 : 1 : 0 : 0 : \text{even}^\omega$$

J is strongly normalizing, but **not** productive

- question: how many bits do we have to add to make J productive, i.e. for which n is $J \rightarrow a_0 : a_1 : \dots : a_n : \text{even}(J)$ productive?

Productivity recognition: previous approaches

- ▶ Wadge (1981): 'cyclic sum test' (limited, computable criterion)
- ▶ Sijtsma (1989): mathematical theory of productivity based on 'production moduli' (not directly computable criteria)
- ▶ Coquand (1994): 'guardedness' as a syntactic criterion for productivity (automatable, but restrictive criterion)
- ▶ Hughes, Pareto, and Sabry (1996): introduce a type system for proving productivity (automatable criterion)
- ▶ Telford and Turner (1997): extend the notion of guardedness by a method in the flavour of Wadge
- ▶ Buchholz (2004): type system for proving productivity (automatable for a restricted subsystem)

all use a data-oblivious analysis, a 'quantitative' analysis where the knowledge about concrete values of data elements is ignored

Production moduli

definition

let $f : (A^\omega)^r \rightarrow A^\omega$ be a stream function.

a **production modulus** for f is a function $\nu_f : (\overline{\mathbb{N}})^r \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{N}}$ such that the first $\nu_f(t_1, \dots, t_r)$ elements of $f(t_1, \dots, t_r)$ can be computed whenever the first n_i elements of t_i are defined.

example

$$\text{tail}(x : xs) \rightarrow xs$$

$$\nu_{\text{tail}}(n) = n \dot{-} 1$$

$$\text{dup}(x : xs) \rightarrow x : x : \text{dup}(xs)$$

$$\nu_{\text{dup}}(n) = 2n$$

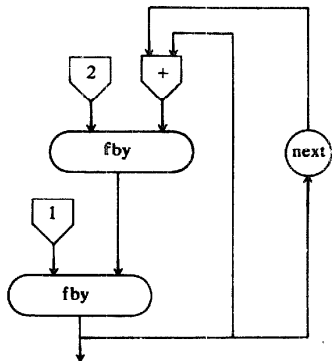
$$\text{odd}(x : y : xs) \rightarrow y : \text{odd}(xs)$$

$$\nu_{\text{odd}}(n) = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$$

$$\text{add}(x : xs, y : ys) \rightarrow (x + y) : \text{add}(xs, ys) \quad \nu_{\text{add}}(n, m) = \min(n, m)$$

the cyclic sum test of Wadge

- ▶ a network is a device for computing the least fixed point of a system of equations (Kahn 1974)
- ▶ Wadge 1981 studies deadlock in dataflow networks. (free of deadlock \approx productive).



- ▶ a loop means that some node is consuming its own output
- ▶ a node might starve, when it is waiting for itself to produce data

the cyclic sum test of Wadge

- ▶ associate with each of the arguments of the operations an integer which says how far the output **leads** (or **lags**) that argument;
- ▶ network passes the test if, for every cycle, the sum of associated numbers is positive
- ▶ a network passing the test is guaranteed to be immune to deadlock

the cyclic sum test of Wadge

- ▶ by using **numbers** it can only be expressed that consumption and production differs by a **constant** value,
- ▶ with constant functions as production moduli one cannot express that production **depends** on the **number** of elements consumed
- ▶ for example, to the argument of **dup**

$$\text{dup}(x : xs) \rightarrow x : x : \text{dup}(xs)$$

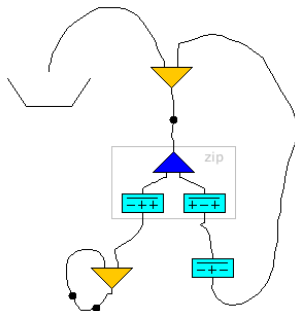
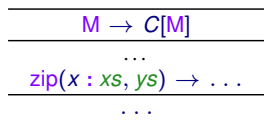
one has to associate **0** to its argument, for it first has to consume a stream element before it can produce one (two)

- ▶ but then e.g.:

$$D \rightarrow 1 : \text{tail}(\text{dup}(D))$$

is not recognized to be productive

deciding productivity via pebbleflow



pure stream specification

\longrightarrow
translate

pebbleflow net

\longrightarrow
compute production

pebble source

desiderata specification format

we want a syntactic format of stream specifications such that:

- ▶ the exact production moduli of stream functions can be computed
- ▶ the set of moduli is closed under composition and infimum
- ▶ least fixed points of production moduli can be computed

the pure stream format (PSF)

example

$\text{morse} \rightarrow 0 : 1 : \text{h}(\text{tail}(\text{morse}))$	<i>stream constants</i>
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$\text{tail}(x : xs) \rightarrow xs$	<i>stream functions</i>
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$\text{h}(x : xs) \rightarrow x : \text{not}(x) : \text{h}(xs)$

$\text{not}(0) \rightarrow 1$	$\text{not}(1) \rightarrow 0$	<i>data functions</i>
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a pure stream specification is a 3-layered, $\{S, D\}$ -sorted orthogonal constructor TRS:

- ▶ **data layer**: stream independent, terminating TRS
- ▶ **stream function layer**: no pattern matching on data, no nesting of stream functions
- ▶ **stream constant layer**: no restrictions

no nesting in stream function rules in PSF

- ▶ in PSF no nesting is allowed in the stream function layer
- ▶ (nesting in the stream constant layer *is* allowed!)

example (productive, but not pure)

```
zeros → 0 : log(exp(zeros))  
exp(x : xs) → x : dup(exp(xs))  
log(x : xs) → x : log(odd(xs))
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no stream dependent data functions in PSF

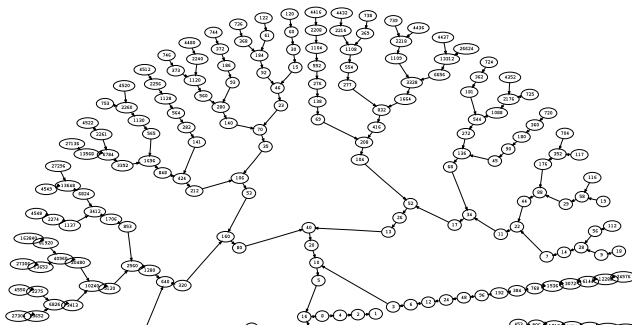
- ▶ in PSF data terms cannot be built using stream terms
- ▶ stream dependent data functions possibly create 'look-ahead'
- ▶ productivity is undecidable for specification including stream dependent data functions

example (productive? iff n is even)

$$S \rightarrow 0 : S(n) : S$$
$$\text{head}(x : xs) \rightarrow x$$
$$\text{tail}(x : xs) \rightarrow xs$$

where $S(n) := \text{head}(\text{tail}^n(S))$

encoding Collatz conjecture



conjecture (Collatz)

$(\forall n \geq 1)(\exists i \in \mathbb{N})(f^i(n) = 1)$, where f is defined for all $n \geq 1$ by:

$$f(n) := \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2} & n \text{ is even} \\ 3n + 1 & n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$



encoding Collatz conjecture

writing ' \bullet ' for successful termination, and dividing $3n + 1$ immediately by 2 in case n is odd, the Collatz conjecture can be reformulated as:

$$(\forall n \geq 1) (\exists i \in \mathbb{N}) (F^i(n) = \bullet)$$

for $F : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \cup \{\bullet\}$ defined by:

$$\begin{aligned} F(1) &= \bullet \\ F(2n) &= n & (n \geq 1) \\ F(2n+1) &= 3n+2 & (n \geq 1) \end{aligned}$$

encoding Collatz conjecture

let

$$\begin{aligned}C &\rightarrow \bullet : \text{zip}(C, \text{third}(\text{tail}^4(C))) \\ \text{zip}(xs, ys) &\rightarrow \text{head}(xs) : \text{zip}(ys, \text{tail}(xs)) \\ \text{third}(xs) &\rightarrow \text{head}(xs) : \text{third}(\text{tail}^3(xs))\end{aligned}$$

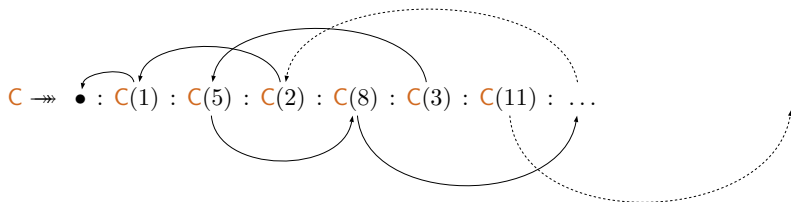
then

$$C \rightsquigarrow \bullet : C(1) : C(5) : C(2) : C(8) : C(3) : C(11) : \dots$$

resembling Collatz function F written as a stream:

$$F = \bullet : 1 : 5 : 2 : 8 : 3 : 11 : \dots$$

picturing the 'runs' through C , we get



encoding Collatz conjecture

$$C \rightarrow \bullet : \text{zip}(C, \text{third}(\text{tail}^4(C)))$$

proposition

Collatz conjecture is true

\iff all runs are finite (ending in \bullet)

\iff the specification for C is productive:

$C \twoheadrightarrow \bullet : \bullet : \bullet : \bullet : \bullet : \dots$

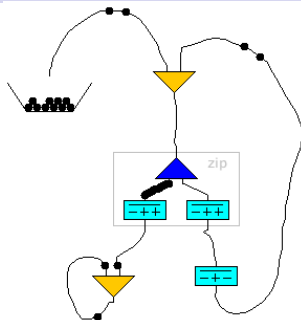
the stream of positive rational numbers

yet another pure stream specification:

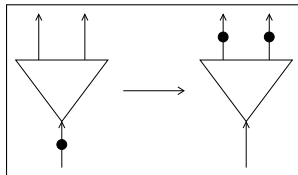
```
rats → mkpairs(aux)
aux → 0 : aux'
aux' → 1 : zip(aux', add(aux', tail(aux')))
tail(x : xs) → xs
mkpairs(x : y : xs) → ⟨x, y⟩ : mkpairs(y : xs)
zip(x : xs, ys) → x : zip(ys, xs)
add(x : xs, y : ys) → (x + y) : add(xs, ys)
0 + y → y
s(x) + y → s(x + y)
```

$\text{rats} \rightsquigarrow \langle 0, 1 \rangle : \langle 1, 1 \rangle : \langle 1, 2 \rangle : \langle 2, 1 \rangle : \langle 1, 3 \rangle : \langle 3, 2 \rangle : \langle 2, 3 \rangle : \langle 3, 1 \rangle : \langle 1, 4 \rangle \dots$

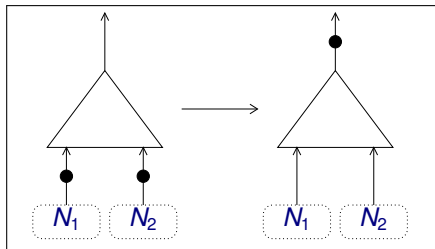
modelling stream specifications by pebbleflow nets



- ▶ tool for visualizing the production of a stream specification
- ▶ stream elements are abstracted from in favour of 'pebbles' •
- ▶ evaluation is modelled by the flow of pebbles through the net
- ▶ pebbleflow nets can be implemented by interaction nets
- ▶ a pure stream specification is productive if and only if its net generates an infinite chain of pebbles
- ▶ a pebbleflow net is a network built of pebble processing units (fans, boxes, meets, sources) connected by wires

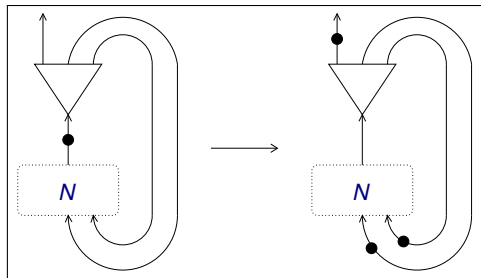


- ▶ **duplicates** an incoming pebble along its output ports
- ▶ explicit **sharing** device
- ▶ enables construction of **cyclic nets**
- ▶ used to implement **recursion**, in particular **feedback**



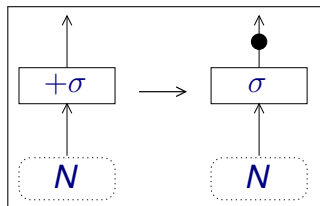
$$\Delta(\bullet(N_1), \bullet(N_2)) \rightarrow \bullet(\Delta(N_1, N_2))$$

recursion/feedback

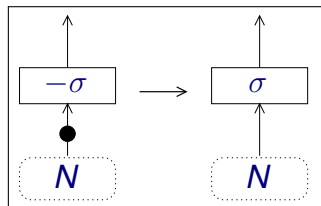


$$\mu X. \bullet(N(X)) \rightarrow \bullet(\mu X. N(\bullet(x)))$$

box



$$\text{box}(+\sigma, N) \rightarrow \bullet(\text{box}(\sigma, N))$$



$$\text{box}(-\sigma, \bullet(N)) \rightarrow \text{box}(\sigma, N)$$

- ▶ boxes contain **I/O sequences**: infinite sequences over $\{-, +\}$
- ▶ I/O sequences **model production moduli** of stream functions
- ▶ $+$: a ready state for an output pebble
- ▶ $-$: a requirement for an input pebble

translating unary stream functions to I/O sequences

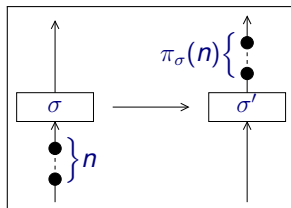
Example

$$\begin{aligned}\text{dup}(x : xs) &\rightarrow x : x : \text{dup}(xs) \\ \text{even}(x : xs) &\rightarrow x : \text{odd}(xs) \\ \text{odd}(x : xs) &\rightarrow \text{even}(xs)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\llbracket \text{dup} \rrbracket &= -++\llbracket \text{dup} \rrbracket & \llbracket \text{dup} \rrbracket &= \overline{-++} \\ \llbracket \text{even} \rrbracket &= -+\llbracket \text{odd} \rrbracket & \llbracket \text{even} \rrbracket &= \overline{-+-} \\ \llbracket \text{odd} \rrbracket &= -\llbracket \text{even} \rrbracket & \llbracket \text{odd} \rrbracket &= \overline{--+}\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ every pure stream function f is mapped to an eventually periodic I/O sequence $\llbracket f \rrbracket$, corresponding to an eventually periodically increasing function $\pi_{\llbracket f \rrbracket}$, which forms the exact production modulus of f

from I/O sequences to production moduli



- ▶ the **production function** $\pi_\sigma : \overline{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{N}}$ of $\sigma \in \pm^\omega$ is defined by $\pi_\sigma(n) := \pi(\sigma, n)$:

$$\pi(+\sigma, n) = \pi(\sigma, n) + 1$$

$$\pi(-\sigma, 0) = 0$$

$$\pi(-\sigma, n+1) = \pi(\sigma, n)$$

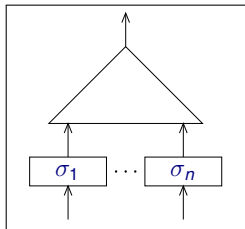
- ▶ **example:**

$$\pi_{\llbracket \text{dup} \rrbracket}(n) = \pi_{\overline{--++}}(n) = 2n$$

$$\pi_{\llbracket \text{odd} \rrbracket}(n) = \pi_{\overline{--++}}(n) = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$$

translation of stream functions into gates

- **gates** are used to model stream functions



a gate with n input ports

example

$$\text{zip}(x : xs, ys) = x : \text{zip}(ys, xs)$$

$$[\text{zip}]_1 = - + [\text{zip}]_2$$

$$[\text{zip}]_2 = + [\text{zip}]_1$$

$$[\text{zip}]_1 = \overline{-++}$$

$$[\text{zip}]_2 = \overline{+-+}$$

pebbleflow rewrite system

- terms for pebbleflow nets ($k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$, $x \in \text{VAR}$, $\sigma \in \pm^\omega$):

$$N ::= \text{src}(k) \mid x \mid \bullet(N) \mid \text{box}(\sigma, N) \mid \mu x.N \mid \triangle(N, N)$$

- pebbleflow rewrite rules:

$$\triangle(\bullet(N_1), \bullet(N_2)) \rightarrow \bullet(\triangle(N_1, N_2))$$

$$\mu x. \bullet(N(x)) \rightarrow \bullet(\mu x. N(\bullet(x)))$$

$$\text{box}(+\sigma, N) \rightarrow \bullet(\text{box}(\sigma, N))$$

$$\text{box}(-\sigma, \bullet(N)) \rightarrow \text{box}(\sigma, N)$$

$$\text{src}(1 + k) \rightarrow \bullet(\text{src}(k))$$

pebbleflow tool

- ▶ net visualization tool written by Ariya Isihara,
- ▶ available via: <http://infinity.few.vu.nl/productivity>

$$\begin{aligned} J &\rightarrow 0 : 1 : \text{even}(J) \\ \llbracket J \rrbracket &= \mu x. \bullet(\bullet(\text{box}(\overline{-+-}, x))) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rats} &\rightarrow \text{mkpairs}(\text{aux}) \\ \text{aux} &\rightarrow 0 : \text{aux}' \\ \text{aux}' &\rightarrow 1 : \text{zip}(\text{aux}', \text{add}(\text{aux}', \text{tail}(\text{aux}')))) \end{aligned}$$

$$\llbracket \text{rats} \rrbracket = \overline{-+-}(\bullet(\mu x. \bullet(\Delta(\overline{-++}(x), \overline{+-+}(\Delta(\overline{-+}(x), \overline{-+}(\overline{-+-}(x))))))))$$

(where $\text{box}(\sigma, N)$ is abbreviated to $\sigma(N)$)

translation preserves production

- ▶ for a specification $\mathcal{R} = \langle \Sigma, R \rangle$ the production $\Pi_{\mathcal{R}}(\mathbf{t})$ of a stream term \mathbf{t} is defined by:

$$\Pi_{\mathcal{R}}(\mathbf{t}) := \sup \{ n \in \mathbb{N} \mid \mathbf{t} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbf{d}_1 : \dots : \mathbf{d}_n : \mathbf{t}' \}$$

- ▶ the production $\Pi_{\bullet}(N)$ of a net N is defined by:

$$\Pi_{\bullet}(N) := \sup \{ n \in \mathbb{N} \mid N \twoheadrightarrow \bullet^n(N') \}$$

- ▶ translation of pure stream specifications to pebbleflow nets preserves production:

$$\Pi_{\bullet}(\llbracket \mathbf{M} \rrbracket) = \Pi_{\mathcal{R}}(\mathbf{M})$$

- ▶ pure stream specifications are translated into rational nets, i.e. nets with eventually periodic I/O sequences only

net reduction

$$\bullet(N) \rightarrow \text{box}(+\overline{-+}, N)$$

$$\text{box}(\sigma_1, \text{box}(\sigma_2, N)) \rightarrow \text{box}(\sigma_1 \circ \sigma_2, N)$$

$$\text{box}(\sigma, \Delta(N_1, N_2)) \rightarrow \Delta(\text{box}(\sigma, N_1), \text{box}(\sigma, N_2))$$

$$\mu X. \Delta(N_1, N_2) \rightarrow \Delta(\mu X. N_1, \mu X. N_2)$$

$$\mu X. N \rightarrow N$$

if $x \notin \text{FV}(N)$

$$\mu X. \text{box}(\sigma, x) \rightarrow \text{src}(\text{fix}(\sigma))$$

$$\Delta(\text{src}(k_1), \text{src}(k_2)) \rightarrow \text{src}(\min(k_1, k_2))$$

$$\text{box}(\sigma, \text{src}(k)) \rightarrow \text{src}(\pi_\sigma(k))$$

$$\mu X. X \rightarrow \text{src}(0)$$

box composition & fixed point computation

composition $\circ : \pm^\omega \times \pm^\omega \rightarrow \pm^\omega$ is defined by:

$$+\sigma \circ \tau = +(\sigma \circ \tau)$$

$$-\sigma \circ +\tau = \sigma \circ \tau$$

$$-\sigma \circ -\tau = -(-\sigma \circ \tau)$$

- associative, preserves periodicity, and implements composition of the production functions: $\pi_{\sigma \circ \tau} = \pi_\sigma \circ \pi_\tau$

the operation **fixed point** $\text{fix} : \pm^\omega \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{N}}$ is defined by:

$$\text{fix}(+\sigma) = 1 + \text{fix}(\delta(\sigma))$$

$$\delta(+\sigma) = +\delta(\sigma)$$

$$\text{fix}(-\sigma) = 0$$

$$\delta(-\sigma) = \sigma$$

- $\text{fix}(\sigma)$ is the least fixed point of π_σ

properties of net reduction

- ▶ net reduction is production preserving:

$$N \rightarrow N' \text{ implies } \Pi_{\bullet}(N) = \Pi_{\bullet}(N')$$

- ▶ net reduction is **terminating** and **confluent**, hence:
every closed net normalises to a **unique** normal form
- ▶ normal forms are of the form **src**(k), a **source** of k pebbles, with
 $k \in \mathbb{N}$ or $k = \infty$
- ▶ normal forms of rational nets can be computed

- ▶ **ProPro**: a tool for proving productivity
- ▶ available via: <http://infinity.few.vu.nl/productivity>
- ▶

$J \rightarrow 0 : 1 : \text{even}(J)$

$\text{aux} \rightarrow 0 : \text{aux}'$

$\text{aux}' \rightarrow 1 : \text{zip}(\text{aux}', \text{add}(\text{aux}', \text{tail}(\text{aux}')))$

$\text{rats} \rightarrow \text{mkpairs}(\text{aux})$

productivity of PSF is decidable

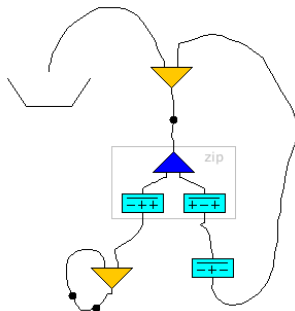
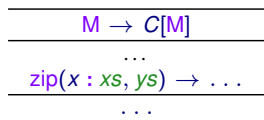
theorem

productivity of pure stream specifications is decidable

decision algorithm for stream constant M in pure stream specification \mathcal{R} :

- ▶ translate M to the rational net $\llbracket M \rrbracket$
- ▶ reduce $\llbracket M \rrbracket$ to a source $\text{src}(k)$
- ▶ (recall $\Pi_{\mathcal{R}}(M) = \Pi_{\bullet}(\llbracket M \rrbracket) = k$)
- ▶ if $k = \infty$, output: \mathcal{R} is productive for M
- ▶ if $k \in \mathbb{N}$, output: \mathcal{R} is not productive for M

deciding productivity via pebbleflow



pure stream specification

\longrightarrow
translate

pebbleflow net

\longrightarrow
compute production

pebble source

conclusion

- ▶ **previous** approaches: **sufficient conditions** for productivity, not automatable or only for a limited subclass
- ▶ **pebbleflow** approach: **decision algorithm** for productivity of a rich class of stream specifications, only stream function layer is restricted

coming up next:

- ▶ **extended formats** of stream specifications: stream functions defined using **pattern matching on data**