Primary Constructs

Data Types

$$\mathcal{B}=$$
 byte arrays $\mathcal{L}=$ listeners $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}}=$ input ports $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{O}}=$ output ports $\mathcal{T}=$ transports $\mathcal{U}=$ URIs $\varnothing=$ void

A reference is an opaque token that identifies an external resource. Listeners and transports are references. A port is a reliable, buffered, ordered byte stream. Ports either consume or produce bytes. A URI is a universal resource identifier as defined in RFC 3986, restricted here to URL authorities as defined in the roadmap.

API Functions

$$\begin{aligned} \text{listen}: \mathcal{U} \to \mathcal{L} & \text{accept}: \mathcal{L} \to \mathcal{T} & \text{connect}: \mathcal{U} \to \mathcal{T} & \text{release}: \mathcal{L} \cup \mathcal{T} \to \varnothing \\ \\ \text{send}: \mathcal{T} \times \mathcal{B} \to \varnothing & \text{receive}: \mathcal{T} \to \mathcal{B} \end{aligned}$$

Internal Functions

listener:
$$\mathcal{U} \to \mathcal{L}$$
 accepter: $\mathcal{L} \to \mathcal{T} \times \mathcal{U} \times \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}} \times \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{O}}$ connector: $\mathcal{U} \to \mathcal{T} \times \mathcal{U} \times \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}} \times \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{O}}$
sender: $\mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{O}} \to \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{O}}$ receiver: $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}} \to \mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}}$

An internal function is a placeholder for implementation details that do not affect the API. listener(·) makes a listener. accepter(·) makes transport components for an accepted connection. connector(·) makes transport components for a connection attempt. sender(·) copies bytes from a byte array to an output port. receiver(·) copies bytes from an input port to a byte array.

Run-time Environment

$$\Lambda: \mathcal{L} \to \mathcal{U} \hspace{1cm} \Gamma: \mathcal{T} \to \mathcal{U} \times \mathcal{U} \hspace{1cm} \Pi: \mathcal{T} \to \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}} \times \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{O}}$$

The run-time state consists of three maps. Adding a binding to a map tells the run-time to perform a computation with visible effects until the binding is removed. In Λ , $\cdot \mapsto u_L$ listens for connections on u_L . In Γ , $\cdot \mapsto (u_L, u_R)$ establishes a connection between u_L and u_R . In Π , $\cdot \mapsto (p_I, p_O)$ opens ports p_I and p_O for reading and writing. When $\Pi(t) = (p_I, p_O)$, re-binding $t \mapsto (p'_I, p_O)$ or $t \mapsto (p_I, p'_O)$ tells the run-time to read or write bytes from or to the port.

Operational Semantics

$$\frac{\operatorname{listener}(u_L) = \ell}{\Lambda, \Gamma, \Pi \vdash \operatorname{listen}(u_L) \leadsto [\ell \mapsto u_L] \Lambda, \Gamma, \Pi \vdash \ell} \operatorname{Lsn}$$

$$\frac{\Lambda(\ell) = u_L \quad \operatorname{accepter}(\ell) = (t, u_R, p_I, p_O)}{\Lambda, \Gamma, \Pi \vdash \operatorname{accept}(\ell) \leadsto \Lambda, [t \mapsto (u_L, u_R)] \Gamma, [t \mapsto (p_I, p_O)] \Pi \vdash t} \operatorname{Acc}$$

$$\frac{\operatorname{connector}(u_R) = (t, u_L, p_I, p_O)}{\Lambda, \Gamma, \Pi \vdash \operatorname{connect}(u_R) \leadsto \Lambda, [t \mapsto (u_L, u_R)] \Gamma, [t \mapsto (p_I, p_O)] \Pi \vdash t} \operatorname{Con}$$

$$\frac{\Lambda, \Gamma, \Pi \vdash \operatorname{release}(\ell) \leadsto \Lambda \setminus \{\ell \mapsto \cdot\}, \Gamma, \Pi \vdash \varnothing}{\Lambda, \Gamma, \Pi \vdash \operatorname{release}(\ell) \leadsto \Lambda, \Gamma \setminus \{t \mapsto \cdot\}, \Pi \setminus \{t \mapsto \cdot\} \vdash \varnothing} \operatorname{RLsL}$$

$$\frac{\Pi(t) = (p_I, p_O) \quad \operatorname{sender}(b, p_O) = p'_O}{\Lambda, \Gamma, \Pi \vdash \operatorname{send}(t, b) \leadsto \Lambda, \Gamma, [t \mapsto (p_I, p'_O)] \Pi \vdash \varnothing} \operatorname{SnD}$$

$$\frac{\Pi(t) = (p_I, p_O) \quad \operatorname{receiver}(p_I) = (b, p'_I)}{\Lambda, \Gamma, \Pi \vdash \operatorname{receive}(t) \leadsto \Lambda, \Gamma, [t \mapsto (p'_I, p_O)] \Pi \vdash \varnothing} \operatorname{Rcv}$$

LSN says listen(u_L) produces a listener ℓ on URL authority u_L . ACC says accept(ℓ) produces a transport t that, when URL authority u_R connects to u_L , represents the connection between u_L and u_R . Con says connect(u_R) produces a transport t that, when u_R accepts the connection from a "chosen" URL authority u_L , represents the connection between u_L and u_R . SND says send(t, t) writes the bytes in t0 to the output port bound to t1. RCV says receive(t1) produces all available bytes t2 from the input port bound to t3.