## Zippers and Derivatives

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#### Overview

- Zipper = context type, which helps moving through and "modifying" a functional data structure<sup>1</sup>
- Deriving context types vs. differentiating real-valued functions<sup>2</sup>
- Relation with combinatorial species<sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Huet, Gérard. "The zipper." Journal of functional programming 7.5 (1997): 549-554.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>McBride, Conor. "The derivative of a regular type is its type of one-hole contexts." Unpublished manuscript (2001): 74-88.

 $<sup>^3</sup>$ Yorgey, Brent. "Functional Pearl: Species and Functors and Types, Oh My!."

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#### Context for List I

- ▶ datatype 'a list = Nil | Cons 'a ('a list)
- ▶ How to define a "pointer" p into a list 1, supporting:
  - p = begin(1)
  - ▶ p->prev
  - ▶ p->next
  - ▶ \*p := a

#### Context for List II

```
'a list pointer = 'a list * 'a * 'a list
    ▶ begin (Cons x xs) = (Nil, x, xs)
prev (x#xs, y, zs) = (xs, x, y#zs)
     \qquad \qquad \bullet \quad (\ldots \quad \leftarrow \quad \mathbf{x}) \quad (\mathbf{x}) \quad (\mathbf{y} \; \rightarrow \; \mathbf{z} \; \rightarrow \; \mathbf{z} \; \rightarrow \; \ldots) 
next (xs, y, z#zs) = (y#xs, z, zs)
    ▶ (... <- x <- y) (z) (z -> ...)
▶ assign (xs, _, zs) y = (xs, y, zs)
reconstruct (xs, y, zs) = rev xs @ [y] @ zs
Equivalent definition:
    'a list context = 'a list * 'a list
```

```
'a btree = Leaf | Node 'a ('a btree) ('a btree)
'a btree_pointer = 'a * 'a btree_context
▶ 'a btree context = 'a btree * 'a btree
                      * 'a btree_ancestors
'a btree_ancestors =
      Top
    | IsLeft 'a ('a btree) ('a btree ancestors)
    | IsRight 'a ('a btree) ('a btree ancestors)
    ▶ (2, Leaf, Leaf,
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▶ up, down, left, right for btree\_pointer:

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up (a, (1c, rc, IsLeft p r anc))
= (p, (Node a lc rc, r, anc))
| up (a, (1c, rc, IsRight p l anc))
= (p, (1, Node a lc rc, anc))
```

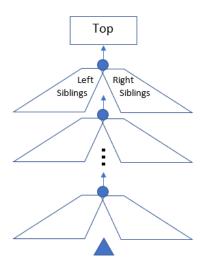
- left (a, (llc, lrc, IsRight p (Node b rlc rrc) anc))
  = (b, (rlc, rrc, IsLeft p (Node a llc lrc) anc))
- down and right are defined similarly
- Simpler definition:

#### Context for Ordered Tree I

```
'a tree = Leaf | Node 'a ('a tree list)
'a tree pointer = 'a * 'a tree context
'a tree_context = 'a tree list * 'a tree_ancestors
'a tree ancestors =
      Top
    | IsChild ('a tree list) 'a ('a tree list)
              ('a tree ancestors)
▶ up, down left, right for tree pointer
    similar with the ones for btree_pointer
Simpler definition:
  'a tree_context = 'a tree list
             * ('a tree list * 'a * 'a tree list) list
```

#### Context for Ordered Tree II

### Zipper!<sup>4</sup>





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Image source: www.pacifictrimming.com

## Huet's Zipper

- ► For ordered trees with payload only on leaves:
  - ▶ 'a ltree = Leaf 'a | Node 'a ('a ltree list)
- ▶ Focus on a subtree instead of an element
  - ▶ 'a ltree\_pointer = 'a 'a ltree \* 'a ltree\_context
  - ▶ 'a ltree\_context = 'a ltree list \* 'a ltree\_ancestors

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### Context Examples Recap

- 'a list = unit + 'a \* 'a list
  'a list\_context = 'a list \* 'a list
- 'a btree = unit + 'a \* 'a btree \* 'a btree
  'a btree\_context = 'a btree \* 'a btree
   \* (bool \* 'a \* 'a btree) list
- ► Math-ly notation:
- Context for an arbitrary algebraic data type?

## Context of Basic Types

- ▶ Note the context of type a inside type T by C[a](T)
  - e.g.  $C[a](\operatorname{list}(a)) = \operatorname{list\_context}(a) = \operatorname{list}(a) \times \operatorname{list}(a)$
- ► Context of type *a* inside type 1 (i.e. unit): impossible!
  - C[a](1) = 0
- Context of type a inside type a: dummy unit
  - C[a](a) = 1

## Context of Sum Type

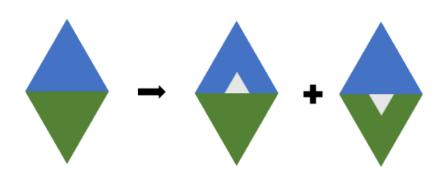
▶ Inside  $T_1 + T_2$ , type *a* occurs in either of them

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## Context of Product Type

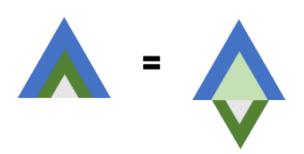
- ▶ Inside  $T_1 \times T_2$ , type *a* occurs in one of them, while the other must be carried in the context
  - $C[a](T_1 \times T_2) = C[a](T_1) \times T_2 + T_1 \times C[a](T_2)$  content



## Context of Composed Type

▶ Inside composed type T(U(a)), type a occurs in one of U, which resides somewhere in T

• 
$$C[a](T(U(a))) = C[b](T(b))|_{b=U(a)} \times C[a](U(a))$$



#### Context as Derivative

- Rules for context:
  - C[a](1) = 0
  - C[a](a) = 1
  - $C[a](T_1 + T_2) = C[a](T_1) + C[a](T_2)$
  - $C[a](T_1 \times T_2) = C[a](T_1) \times T_2 + T_1 \times C[a](T_2)$
  - $C[a](T(U(a))) = C[b](T(b))|_{b=U(a)} \times C[a](U(a))$
- Rules for derivative:
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  - $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}x = 1$

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial a}$$
 btree(a) =  $\frac{\partial}{\partial a}$ (1 + a × btree<sup>2</sup>(a))

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= tree\_context(a)

# Huet's Zipper, Revisit

- ltree(a) = a + list(ltree)
- Differentiating against non-basic type is a bit tricky
- ▶  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \text{Itree}}(\text{Itree}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \text{Itree}}(a + \text{list}(\text{Itree}))$ ?

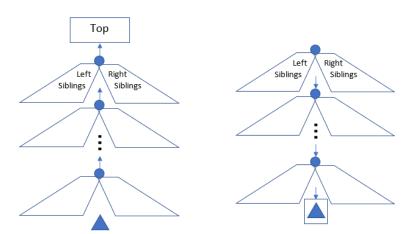
► A hack: 
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \, \text{ltree}} = ((1)) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \, \text{ltree}} (a + \text{list(ltree}))$$

$$= 1 + \frac{\partial}{\partial \, \text{ltree}} (\text{list(ltree}))$$

$$= 1 + \text{list}^2 (\text{ltree}) \times \frac{\partial}{\partial \, \text{ltree}} (\text{ltree})$$

$$= \text{ltree\_context}$$

- $\frac{\partial}{\partial a} \operatorname{tree}(a) = \operatorname{list}(\operatorname{tree}(a)) \times \operatorname{list}(a \times \operatorname{list}^2(\operatorname{tree}(a)))$
- ▶ Reversed interpretation of the recursion path:



#### Subtraction and Division?

- $| list(a) = 1 + a \times list(a) |$
- ▶  $list(a) \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{1-a}$ ?
- $\blacktriangleright \ \frac{\partial}{\partial a} \operatorname{list}(a) \leftrightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial a} (\frac{1}{1-a}) = \frac{1}{(1-a)^2} \leftrightarrow \operatorname{list}^2(a) \ ?!$

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## **Species**

- General definition: endofunctor on the category of finite sets
- Map every finite set of "labels" to a set of its "arrangements"
- ▶ Examples:  $\{1,2,3\}$  →
  - species of permutations:  $\{(1,2,3),(1,3,2),(2,3,1),\dots\}$
  - ▶ species of partitions:  $\{\{\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}\}, \{\{1\}, \{2,3\}\}, \cdots\}$
  - species of sets:  $\{\{1,2,3\}\}$
  - species of pairs: {}
  - species of triplets:  $\{(1,2,3),(1,3,2),(2,3,1),\dots\}$
- ► Species, as functors, preserve identity arrow and composition of arrows
  - should be obvious for regular species

# Regular Species

- ▶ Composition of 0, 1, X, +, · and least fix-point
- ▶ 0:  $\{...\} \to \{\}$
- ▶ 1: {} → {{}}, otherwise {}
- ▶  $X: \{x\} \rightarrow \{\{x\}\}$ , otherwise  $\{\}$
- $F + G: S \to F(S) \sqcup G(S)$
- $\blacktriangleright F \cdot G \colon S \to \bigcup_{S_1 \oplus S_2 = L} (F(S_1) \times G(S_2))$
- ►  $X^n \triangleq \underbrace{X \cdot (X \cdot (\dots \cdot X))}_n$ :  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\} \rightarrow \{\text{permutations}\}$
- ►  $L \triangleq 1 + X \cdot L = 1 + X \cdot (1 + X \cdot (...)) \simeq 1 + X + X^2 + ...$

# **Exponential Generating Function**

- ▶ Counting function:  $C_F: |L| \rightarrow |F(L)|$  for species F
- Exponetial Generating Function:  $E_F(x) = C_F(0) + C_F(1) * \tfrac{x}{11} + C_F(2) * \tfrac{x^2}{21} + \dots$
- $E_0(x) = 0$
- ▶  $E_1(x) = 1$
- $E_{F+G}(x) = (C_F(0) + C_G(0)) + (C_f(1) + C_G(1)) * \frac{x}{1!} + \dots$  $= E_F(x) + E_G(x)$
- $C_{F \cdot G}(i) * \frac{x^{i}}{i!} = \sum_{j=0}^{i} \frac{x^{i}}{i!} * \binom{i}{j} * C_{F}(j) * C_{G}(i-j)$   $= \sum_{j=0}^{i} \frac{x^{j}}{j!} * C_{F}(j) * \frac{x^{i-j}}{(i-j)!} * C_{G}(i-j)$
- $\triangleright$   $E_{F\cdot G}(x) = E_F(x) * E_G(x)$
- $\triangleright$   $E_F$  and F share the same expression!



## Derivative of Regular Species

- ►  $F': S \to F(S \cup \{\Box\})$ ► e.g.  $(X^2)': \{1\} \to X^2(\{1, \Box\}) = \{(1, \Box), (\Box, 1)\}$
- Derivative rules apply:

• 
$$(F+G)' = F'+G'$$

$$(F \cdot G)' = F' \cdot G + F \cdot G'$$

- **•** ...
- $(X^n)' = n * X^{n-1}$
- $E_{(X^n)'}(x) = E_{n \cdot X^{n-1}}(x) = n * x^{n-1} = (x^n)' = (E_{X^n}(x))'$
- ▶  $E_{F'} = (E_F)'$
- Derivative preserves the consistency between regular species and its counting function!

# List, Revisit

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- "Functional pointer": context type
- ▶ The structure of context of ordered tree resembles a zipper
- Differentiating an algebraic datatype
- Combinatorial species and its EGF
- ► Regular species vs. algebraic datatype?

# Thank you for listening!