

Topics on Hindley's Simple Type Theory*: 8E and 8F

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Subsection 1

Overview and Motivation

8E - The Structure of a nf-scheme

This section is about analysing the structure of an arbitrary long typed nf-scheme.

Earlier sections left the stretching and shrinking lemmas unproved (8D2 and 8D3), as well as the completeness part of the searching theorem for $\text{Long}(\tau)$ (8C5(iii)).

- **8E** - We lay the foundation by analysing the structure of an arbitrary long typed nf-scheme.
- **8F** - Having the necessary foundation, we fill the mentioned gaps.

Subsection 2

Key Role, Remarks and Notations

Structured Proofs à la Leslie Lamport

In this presentation, the mathematical proofs are presented as structured proofs à la Leslie Lamport [3, 2].

Notation for Components

We will underline a term Y when we want to indicate that it is being analysed as a component of a term X .

Organization of the Present Section

The early parts of this section will apply to both typed and untyped nf-schemes. Therefore, when we write nf-schemes, types will be omitted.

The final parts of this section will only apply to typed nf-schemes, so types will be displayed.

Key Role

A key role in our analysis will be played by a slightly strengthened form of the subformula property. This property says that the types of all the components of a closed β -nf M^τ are subtypes of τ .

This way, as the algorithm searches deeper and deeper, the types of the components we are working with remain drawn from the same fixed finite set.

Remark 1

A nf-scheme is essentially a β -nf that may contain meta-variables under suitable restrictions.

Remark 2

According to 8A5, every non-atomic nf-scheme X can be expressed uniquely in the form:

$$X \equiv \lambda x_1 \dots x_m. v Y_1 \dots Y_n$$

with $m + n \geq 1$ and where v is one of the x_i if X is closed.

The head and arguments of X are v and Y_1, \dots, Y_n . If X is an atom its head is X and it has no arguments.

The construction-tree of such an X is shown in Fig 1. Note that the position of Y_i is: $0^m 1^{n-i} 2$, for $1 \leq i \leq n$.

An Example of a Construction Tree

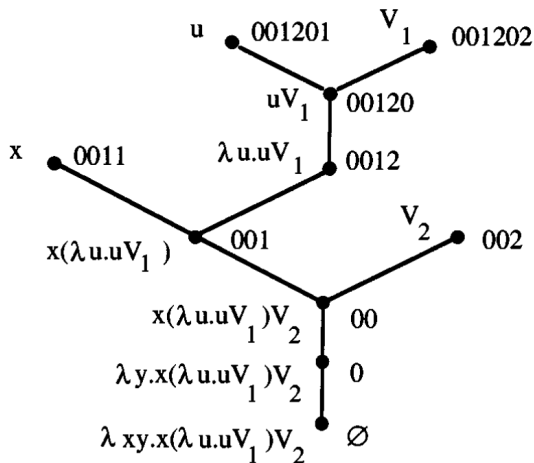


Figure 1: Construction Tree for $\lambda xy.x(\lambda u.uV_1)V_2$. Figure obtained from [1].

Subsection 3

The Foundation for 8F

Definition 1 (8E2 in Hindley's)

A subargument of a typed or untyped nf-scheme X is a component that is an argument of X or an argument of a proper component of X .

Lemma 2 (8E2.1 in Hindley's)

A component \underline{Y} of a typed or untyped nf-scheme X is a subargument iff its position is not \emptyset and the last symbol in its position is 2.

PROOF SKETCH: By induction on $|X|$. One can, for instance, consider the subarguments in the tree of Figure 1.

Remarks about Subarguments

Remark 3 (8E2.2(i) in Hindley's)

All occurrences of meta-variables in a composite nf-scheme are subarguments.

PROOF: *By restriction 8C1(iii) in the definition of nf-scheme.*

Remark 4 (8E2.2(ii) in Hindley's)

A subargument of a subargument of X is a subargument of X .

PROOF: *By the definition of subargument.*

2-length and depth

Definition 1 (8E3 in Hindley's)

The 2-length of a position string p is the number of 2's in p .

Definition 2 (8E3 in Hindley's)

The depth in X of a subargument \underline{Z} of X is the 2-length of its position.

Remark 5 (8E3 in Hindley's)

The depth in X of a subargument \underline{Z} is the number of right-hand choices made when “travelling up” the tree of X from the bottom node to \underline{Z} .

Lemma 3 (8E3.1 in Hindley's)

Let X be a typed or untyped nf-scheme with $\text{Depth}(X) \geq 1$, where the Depth of an nf-scheme is defined as in 8A6. Then:

- ① *Depth(X) is the maximum of the depths in X of all subarguments in X ,*
- ② *X has at least one subargument whose depth in X is the same as Depth(X), and each such subargument is an atom or abstracted atom.*

PROOF SKETCH: By induction on $|X|$, using 8A6.

Definition 3 (8E4 in Hindley's)

If Z is a subargument of a typed or untyped nf-scheme X , the **argument-branch** from X to Z is the sequence:

$$\langle \underline{Z}_0, \underline{Z}_1, \dots, \underline{Z}_k \rangle$$

such that $\underline{Z}_0 \equiv X$, $\underline{Z}_k \equiv Z$ and for each $i = 1, \dots, k$, we have \underline{Z}_i is an argument of \underline{Z}_{i-1} .

It is **unextendable** iff \underline{Z} is an atom or abstracted atom.

Its **length** is k (not $k + 1$).

Lemma 4 (8E4.1 in Hindley's)

For any typed or untyped nf-scheme X :

- ① *The depth in X of a subargument \underline{Z} is the same as the length of the argument-branch from \underline{X} to \underline{Z} ,*
- ② *$\text{Depth}(X)$ is the maximum of the lengths of all argument-branches in X .*

PROOF SKETCH: For (1) use induction on $|X|$, for (2) use 8E3.1.

Definition 4 (8E5 in Hindley's)

Let \underline{Z} be a subargument of a typed or untyped nf-scheme X , for instance:

$$Z \equiv \lambda x_1 \dots x_m. y Z_1 \dots Z_n \quad (m \geq 0, n \geq 0)$$

The **Initial Abstractors sequence** $IA(Z)$ is the (possibly empty) sequence:

$$IA(Z) = \langle x_1, \dots, x_m \rangle$$

The **Covering Abstractors sequence** $CA(\underline{Z}, X)$ is defined as:

$$CA(\underline{Z}, X) = \langle z_1, \dots, z_q \rangle,$$

where $\underline{\lambda}z_1, \dots, \underline{\lambda}z_q$ are the abstractors in X whose scopes contain \underline{Z} , written in the order they occur in X from left to right. Also, define:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Length}(IA(Z)) &= m, \\ \text{Length}(CA(\underline{Z}, X)) &= q. \end{aligned}$$

Remark 6 (8E5.1 in Hindley's)

- ① *If X has no bound-variable clashes, the members of $IA(Z)$ are distinct and so are those of $CA(\underline{Z}, X)$.*
- ② *$IA(Z)$ and $CA(\underline{Z}, X)$ are sequences of variables, not components.*
- ③ *For typed nf-schemes each variable in $IA(Z)$ or $CA(\underline{Z}, X)$ is typed.*
- ④ *If the argument-branch from \underline{X} to \underline{Z} is $\langle \underline{Z}_0, \dots, \underline{Z}_k \rangle$ ($k \geq 1$), then:*

$$CA(\underline{Z}, X) = IA(Z_0) * \dots * IA(Z_{k-1})$$

where “*” denotes concatenation of sequences.

Warning

The remaining part of this section applies only for typed nf-schemes.

Definition 5 (IAT)

Let \underline{Z}^σ be a subargument of a typed nf-scheme X^τ , say:

$$Z^\sigma \equiv \lambda x_1^{\sigma_1} \dots x_m^{\sigma_m}. y Z_1 \dots Z_n \quad (m \geq 0, n \geq 0)$$

The **Initial Abstractors' Types Sequence** ($IAT(Z^\sigma)$) is defined as:

$$IAT(Z^\sigma) = \langle \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_m \rangle;$$

And we also define:

$$Length(IAT(Z^\sigma)) = m$$

Premises

If $\rho \equiv \rho_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \rho_m \rightarrow a$, we call ρ_1, \dots, ρ_m the premises of ρ and we call a the tail of ρ .

Positions in a Term

Consider $\tau \equiv (a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow a \rightarrow c$.

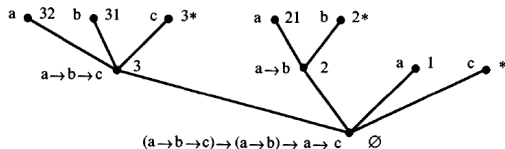


Fig. 9E2.1a.

Figure 2: Positions in the term $\tau \equiv (a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow a \rightarrow c$. Figure obtained from [1].

Subpremises

A subpremise of τ is a premise of some component of τ (possibly of τ itself).

Example 1

Let $\tau \equiv (a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow a \rightarrow c$ (see Figure 2). Let's represent subpremises as triples " $\langle \text{term}, \text{position}, \tau \rangle$ ". The six subpremises of τ are:

- ① $\langle a, 1, \tau \rangle,$
- ② $\langle a \rightarrow b, 2, \tau \rangle,$
- ③ $\langle a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c, 3, \tau \rangle,$
- ④ $\langle a, 21, \tau \rangle,$
- ⑤ $\langle b, 31, \tau \rangle,$
- ⑥ $\langle a, 32, \tau \rangle.$

Positive Subpremises

A subpremise of τ is positive if and only if its position has even length (the symbol $*$ does not count when computing the length).

In Example 1 the positive subpremises are:

- ① $\langle a, 21, \tau \rangle,$
- ② $\langle b, 31, \tau \rangle,$
- ③ $\langle a, 32, \tau \rangle.$

Definition 6

$NSS(\tau)$ is the set of all finite sequences $\langle \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n \rangle$ ($n \geq 1$) such that:

$$\sigma_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \sigma_n \rightarrow a \quad (1)$$

is positive in τ .

Remark 7

Each member of $NSS(\tau)$ is called a *negative subpremise-sequence*, because it is a sequence of terms that have occurrences as negative subpremises in τ .

Example 2

Let $\tau \equiv (a \rightarrow (b \rightarrow d \rightarrow c) \rightarrow d) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow d \rightarrow d$.

We have $NSS(\tau) = \{\langle a \rightarrow (b \rightarrow d \rightarrow c) \rightarrow d, a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c, d \rangle, \langle b, d \rangle\}$.

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1. NSS(\tau) \supseteq \{ \langle a \rightarrow (b \rightarrow d \rightarrow c) \rightarrow d, a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c, d \rangle, \langle b, d \rangle \}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 1. \langle a \rightarrow (b \rightarrow d \rightarrow c) \rightarrow d, a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c, d \rangle \in NSS(\tau)$

By definition, since:

$$(a \rightarrow (b \rightarrow d \rightarrow c) \rightarrow d) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow d \rightarrow d$$

is positive in τ , as it has position \emptyset , of even length.

$\langle 2 \rangle 2. \langle b, d \rangle \in NSS(\tau)$

By definition, since:

$$b \rightarrow d \rightarrow c$$

is positive in τ as it has position 31, of even length.

$\langle 1 \rangle 2. NSS(\tau) \subseteq \{ \langle a \rightarrow (b \rightarrow d \rightarrow c) \rightarrow d, a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c, d \rangle, \langle b, d \rangle \}$

By checking that no other finite sequence $\langle \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n \rangle$ is such that $\sigma_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \sigma_n \rightarrow a$ is positive in τ .

Definition 7

The set of all the members of the sequences in $NSS(\tau)$ will be called $\cup NSS(\tau)$

Example 3

In Example 2, we had:

$$NSS(\tau) = \{\langle a \rightarrow (b \rightarrow d \rightarrow c) \rightarrow d, a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c, d \rangle, \langle b, d \rangle\}$$

Therefore,

$$\cup NSS(\tau) = \{a \rightarrow (b \rightarrow d \rightarrow c) \rightarrow d, a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c, d, b\}$$

Lemma 5 (8E7 in Hindley's)

If \underline{Z}^σ is a subargument of a closed long typed nf-scheme X^τ , then

- ① *σ occurs as a positive subpremise in τ (as defined in 9E6-8),*
- ② *If σ is an atom, $IAT(Z^\sigma) = \emptyset$,*
- ③ *If σ is composite, $IAT(Z^\sigma) \in NSS(\tau)$ (defined in 9E9),*
- ④ *$NSS(\sigma) \subseteq NSS(\tau)$.*

Proof of Lemma 8E7 I

PROOF:

⟨1⟩1. σ occurs as a positive subpremise in τ (as defined in 9E6-8).

⟨2⟩1. If X^τ is a long member of $\text{TNS}(\Gamma)$ and $\Gamma = \{u_1 : \theta_1, \dots, u_p : \theta_p, V_1 : \phi_1, \dots, V_q : \phi_q\}$ and \underline{Z}^σ is a subargument of X^τ , then σ occurs as a positive subpremise of $\theta_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \theta_p \rightarrow \tau$.

The proof is by induction on $|X^\tau|$.

⟨3⟩1. **Basis** If X^τ is an atom there is no \underline{Z}^σ subargument of X^τ , and the conclusion holds vacuously.

Proof of Lemma 8E7 II

⟨3⟩2. Induction Step

⟨4⟩1. X has the form:

$$(\lambda x_1^{\tau_1} \dots x_m^{\tau_m} \cdot (y^{(\rho_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \rho_n \rightarrow e)} X_1^{\rho_1} \dots X_n^{\rho_n})^e)^{\tau_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \tau_m \rightarrow e}$$

where $m, n \geq 0$ and $\tau \equiv \tau_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \tau_m \rightarrow e$.

⟨4⟩2. CASE: $Z^\sigma \equiv X_j^{\rho_j}$.

⟨5⟩1. Since $Z^\sigma \equiv X_j^{\rho_j}$, we have $\sigma \equiv \rho_j$.

⟨5⟩2. Each of ρ_1, \dots, ρ_n occurs as a positive subpremise of $\theta_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \theta_p \rightarrow \tau$.

⟨6⟩1. Using the notation of ⟨4⟩1 and ⟨2⟩1, we have that either $y \equiv x_i$ for some $i \leq m$ or $y \equiv u_i$ for some $i \leq p$.

⟨6⟩2. CASE: $y \equiv x_i$. We have that $\rho_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \rho_n \rightarrow e \equiv \tau_i$. Then, the position of each ρ_j in $\theta_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \theta_p \rightarrow \tau$ has length 2, making it a positive subpremise.

Proof of Lemma 8E7 III

⟨6⟩3. CASE: $y \equiv u_i$. Then $\rho_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \rho_n \rightarrow e \equiv \theta_i$. Then, the position of each ρ_j has length 2, making it a positive subpremise.

⟨4⟩3. CASE: Z^σ is a subargument of $X_j^{\rho_j}$.

⟨5⟩1. $X_j^{\rho_j}$ is a long member of $\text{TNS}(\{x_1 : \tau_1, \dots, x_m : \tau_m\} \cup \Gamma)$

⟨5⟩2. By IH, σ occurs as a positive subpremise of

$$\tau_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \tau_m \rightarrow \theta_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \theta_p \rightarrow \rho_j$$

.

⟨5⟩3. CASE: σ is a positive subpremise of ρ_j . Then, by using the result ⟨5⟩2 of branch ⟨4⟩2 (notice the result holds because we can repeat the argument), we conclude.

⟨5⟩4. CASE: σ is a negative subpremise of one of $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_m, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_p$. Then σ will be a positive subpremise of $\theta_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \theta_p \rightarrow \tau$.

⟨2⟩2. Since X^τ is closed, we can apply ⟨2⟩1 with $\Gamma = \emptyset$ and conclude.

- ⟨1⟩2. If σ is an atom, $IAT(Z^\sigma) = \emptyset$.
- ⟨2⟩1. $IAT(Z^\sigma)$ coincides with the sequences of all premises of σ .
 - ⟨3⟩1. Z^σ is long.
 - ⟨3⟩2. LET: $IAT(Z^\sigma) = \langle \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_m \rangle$. Since Z^σ is long,
$$\sigma \equiv \sigma_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \sigma_m \rightarrow e.$$
- ⟨2⟩2. Since σ is an atom, there are no premises. By ⟨2⟩1,
 $IAT(Z^\sigma) = \emptyset$.

Proof of Lemma 8E7 VI

- ⟨1⟩3. If σ is composite, $IAT(Z^\sigma) \in NSS(\tau)$ (defined in 9E9)
- ⟨2⟩1. $IAT(Z^\sigma) \in NSS(\sigma)$.
 - ⟨3⟩1. Z^σ is long.
 - ⟨3⟩2. LET: $IAT(Z^\sigma) = \langle \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_m \rangle$. Then, since Z^σ is long,
 $\sigma \equiv \sigma_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \sigma_m \rightarrow e$.
 - ⟨3⟩3. By ⟨3⟩1, and the definition of $NSS(\sigma)$ (which is only defined for σ composite) we conclude.
- ⟨2⟩2. $NSS(\sigma) \subseteq NSS(\tau)$.
It will be proved in ⟨1⟩4.

Proof of Lemma 8E7 VII

$\langle 1 \rangle 4$. $NSS(\sigma) \subseteq NSS(\tau)$.

$\langle 2 \rangle 1$. By $\langle 1 \rangle 1$, σ occurs as a positive subpremise in τ .

$\langle 2 \rangle 2$. By the technical lemma 9E9.2(iii), since σ occurs as a positive subpremise of τ , we have $NSS(\sigma) \subseteq NSS(\tau)$.

Remark 8

Notice that Lemma 8E7 connects $IAT(Z^\sigma)$, which in general depends on the structure of Z^σ and hence implicitly on that of X^τ , with $NSS(\tau)$, which depends on τ and nothing else.

Corollary 8E7.1

Corollary 6 (8E7.1 in Hindley's)

If X^τ is a closed long typed nf-scheme, the type of each meta-variable in X^τ either occurs as a positive subpremise of τ or is τ itself.

- $\langle 1 \rangle 1$. CASE: X^τ is a composite nf-scheme.
 - $\langle 2 \rangle 1$. LET: Z^σ be an arbitrary metavariable in X^τ .
 - $\langle 2 \rangle 2$. An occurrence of Z^σ in X^τ is a subargument.
 - $\langle 2 \rangle 3$. Then, by Lemma 8E7, σ occurs as a positive subpremise of τ .
- $\langle 1 \rangle 2$. CASE: X^τ is an atomic nf-scheme.
 - In this case, X^τ is a meta-variable.

Corollary 8E7.2 I

Corollary 7 (8E7.2 in Hindley's)

If X^τ is a closed long typed nf-scheme and \underline{Z}^σ is a subargument of X^τ or $\underline{Z}^\sigma \equiv \underline{X}^\tau$, then:

- ① $\text{Length}(\text{IA}(\underline{Z}^\sigma)) = \text{Length}(\text{IAT}(\underline{Z}^\sigma)) \leq |\tau| - 1,$
- ② $\text{Length}(\text{CA}(\underline{Z}^\sigma, X^\tau)) \leq (|\tau| - 1) \times \text{Depth}(X^\tau),$
- ③ *If $\lambda v_1^{\rho_1}, \dots, \lambda v_r^{\rho_r}$ are all abstractors in X^τ (not just the initial ones), then $\{\rho_1, \dots, \rho_r\}$ has $\leq |\tau| - 1$ distinct members.*

Corollary 8E7.2 I

$$\langle 1 \rangle 1. \text{Length}(IA(Z^\sigma)) = \text{Length}(IAT(Z^\sigma)) \leq |\tau| - 1$$

$$\langle 2 \rangle 1. \text{LET: } Z^\sigma \equiv \lambda x_1^{\sigma_1} \dots x_m^{\sigma_m} . y Z_1 \dots Z_n$$

$$\langle 2 \rangle 2. \text{Length}(IA(Z^\sigma)) = \text{Length}(IAT(Z^\sigma)) = m.$$

By definition, $IA(Z^\sigma) = \langle x_1, \dots, x_m \rangle$ and $IAT(Z^\sigma) = \langle \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_m \rangle$.

$$\langle 2 \rangle 3. \text{Length}(IAT(Z^\sigma)) \leq |\tau| - 1$$

$\langle 3 \rangle 1.$ CASE: σ is atomic. Then, $IAT(Z^\sigma) = \emptyset$ by Lemma 8E7(ii).
Therefore, $\text{Length}(IAT(Z^\sigma)) = 0$ and since $|\tau| \geq 1$ the inequality holds.

$\langle 3 \rangle 2.$ CASE: σ is composite.

$$\langle 4 \rangle 1. IAT(Z^\sigma) \in NSS(\tau)$$

By Lemma 8E7(iii).

$$\langle 4 \rangle 2. IAT(Z^\sigma) = \langle \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_m \rangle.$$

By definition.

$$\langle 4 \rangle 3. \text{If } \langle \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_m \rangle \in NSS(\tau) \text{ then } m \leq |\tau| - 1.$$

By Lemma 9E9.3(iv)

Corollary 8E7.2 II

$\langle 1 \rangle 2.$ $\text{Length}(\text{CA}(\underline{Z}^\sigma, X^\tau)) \leq (|\tau| - 1) \times \text{Depth}(X^\tau)$

$\langle 2 \rangle 1.$ CASE: $\underline{Z} \equiv \underline{X}$.

Since no abstractor in X has scope containing $\underline{Z} \equiv \underline{X}$,
 $\text{Length}(\text{CA}(\underline{Z}^\sigma, X^\tau)) = 0$.

$\langle 2 \rangle 2.$ CASE: $\underline{Z} \not\equiv \underline{X}$.

$\langle 3 \rangle 1.$ LET: $\langle \underline{Z}_0, \dots, \underline{Z}_k \rangle$, with $k \geq 1$ be the argument-branch from \underline{X} to \underline{Z} .

$\langle 3 \rangle 2.$ $\text{Length}(\text{CA}(\underline{Z}, X)) = \text{Length}(\text{IA}(Z_0)) + \dots + \text{Length}(\text{IA}(Z_{k-1}))$.

By 8E5.1, remembering that in an nf-scheme there are no bound-variable clashes.

$\langle 3 \rangle 3.$ $\text{Length}(\text{IA}(Z_0)) + \dots + \text{Length}(\text{IA}(Z_{k-1})) \leq k(|\tau| - 1)$

By Step $\langle 1 \rangle 1$ we have $\text{Length}(\text{IA}(Z_i)) \leq (|\tau| - 1)$.

$\langle 3 \rangle 4.$ $k(|\tau| - 1) \leq (|\tau| - 1) \times \text{Depth}(X)$

By 8E4.1(ii), $\text{Depth}(X)$ is greater or equal than the length of the argument-branch from X to Z , which is k .

Corollary 8E7.2 III

- $\langle 1 \rangle 3$. If $\underline{\lambda v}_1^{\rho_1}, \dots, \underline{\lambda v}_r^{\rho_r}$ are all abstractors in X^τ (not just the initial ones), then $\{\rho_1, \dots, \rho_r\}$ has $\leq |\tau| - 1$ distinct members.
- $\langle 2 \rangle 1$. $\rho_i \in \cup \text{NSS}(\tau)$.
- $\langle 3 \rangle 1$. Each ρ_i is in $\text{IAT}(X^\tau)$ or in $\text{IAT}(Y^\theta)$ for some subargument Y^θ of X^τ .
- $\langle 3 \rangle 2$. CASE: $\rho_i \in \text{IAT}(X^\tau)$. By the definition of $\text{IAT}(X^\tau)$ and of $\cup \text{NSS}(\tau)$ we get that $\rho_i \in \cup \text{NSS}(\tau)$.
- $\langle 3 \rangle 3$. CASE: $\rho_i \in \text{IAT}(Y^\theta)$. By Lemma 8E7(iii) we get that $\rho_i \in \cup \text{NSS}(\tau)$.
- $\langle 2 \rangle 2$. $|\cup \text{NSS}(\tau)| \leq |\tau| - 1$
By Lemma 9E9.3

Section 2

8F - Stretching, Shrinking and Completeness

Subsection 1

Search Completeness Lemma

Search Completeness Lemma

Lemma 8 (8F1 in Hindley's)

Part (iii) of the search theorem 8C5 holds; i.e. if τ is composite and $d \geq 0$, then:

$$Long(\tau, d) \subseteq \mathcal{A}(\tau, \leq d + 1)$$

The way to prove the lemma would be by induction on d , however to make the induction hypothesis work, we need to strengthen it a bit...

An Auxiliary Lemma For Completeness

Lemma 9

Let $\mathbb{L}^*(\tau, d)$ be the set of all long typed closed nf-schemes X^τ such that $\text{Depth}(X^\tau) = d$ and

- ① X^τ is proper and all its meta-variables have depth d in X^τ .
- ② all subarguments with depth d in X^τ are meta-variables.

Then,

$$\mathbb{L}^*(\tau, d) \subseteq \mathcal{A}(\tau, \leq d) \quad (1)$$

and

$$\text{Long}(\tau, d) \subseteq \mathcal{A}(\tau, \leq d + 1) \quad (2)$$

where (1) is understood modulo renaming of meta-variables.

An Auxiliary Lemma For Completeness I

PROOF: The proof is by induction on d :

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. **Basis:** $d = 0$.

$\langle 2 \rangle 1$. $\mathbb{L}^*(\tau, 0) \subseteq \mathcal{A}(\tau, 0)$

$\langle 3 \rangle 1$. LET: $X^\tau \in \mathbb{L}^*(\tau, d)$, with $d = 0$.

$\langle 3 \rangle 2$. X^τ is a meta-variable, as the only proper nf-schemes with depth 0 are meta-variables.

$\langle 3 \rangle 3$. $\mathcal{A}(\tau, 0) = \{V^\tau\}$, by step 0 of the search algorithm (8C6).

$\langle 3 \rangle 4$. Renaming the meta-variable X^τ to V^τ we see the result holds.

$\langle 2 \rangle 2$. $Long(\tau, 0) \subseteq \mathcal{A}(\tau, \leq 1)$

$\langle 3 \rangle 1$. LET: $M^\tau \in Long(\tau, 0)$, with

$$\tau \equiv \tau_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \tau_m \rightarrow e \quad (m \geq 1)$$

$\langle 3 \rangle 2$. M^τ has form $\lambda y_1^{\tau_1} \dots y_m^{\tau_m}. y_i^{\tau_i}$ with $1 \leq i \leq m, \tau_i \equiv e$.

$\langle 3 \rangle 3$. $\mathcal{A}(\tau, 0) = \{V^\tau\}$, by step 0 of the search algorithm (8C6).

$\langle 3 \rangle 4$. The search algorithm 8C6 Step 1:Part IIa1 adds M^τ (it may be necessary a renaming of bound variables) to $\mathcal{A}(\tau, 1)$.

Notice that the condition that the tail of τ_i (which is $\tau_i \equiv e$ itself) is isomorphic to the tail of τ (which is e) is indeed satisfied.

An Auxiliary Lemma For Completeness II

⟨1⟩2. **Induction Step:** d to $d + 1$.

⟨2⟩1. $\mathbb{L}^*(\tau, d + 1) \subseteq \mathcal{A}(\tau, \leq d + 1)$

⟨3⟩1. LET: $X \in \mathbb{L}^*(\tau, d + 1)$.

⟨3⟩2. LET: $\underline{W}_1, \dots, \underline{W}_r$ with $r \geq 1$ the subarguments of X of depth d and let X' be the result of replacing each \underline{W}_i in X by a distinct new meta-variable \underline{V}_i of the same type as \underline{W}_i .

⟨4⟩1. Since $X \in \mathbb{L}^*(\tau, d + 1)$, $\text{Depth}(X) = d + 1$.

⟨4⟩2. By 8E3.1(ii), X has a subargument whose depth in X is $d + 1$.

⟨4⟩3. By 8E4.1, X has a subargument whose depth in X is d .

⟨4⟩4. Therefore, if $\underline{W}_1, \dots, \underline{W}_r$ are the subarguments of X of depth d , we must have $r \geq 1$.

An Auxiliary Lemma For Completeness III

⟨3⟩3. $X' \in \mathbb{L}^*(\tau, d)$.

⟨4⟩1. X' is a nf-scheme.

By definition. Notice that each new meta-variable \underline{V}_i will occur in an argument position because each \underline{W}_i is a subargument.

⟨4⟩2. X' is long, closed and has depth d .

X' is long since X is long and each replacement of \underline{W}_i by \underline{V}_i preserves type. It is closed since X was closed and each replacement of \underline{W}_i by \underline{V}_i adds no free variable. It has depth d as every subargument of depth d is a meta-variable.

⟨4⟩3. X' is proper and all its meta-variables have depth d in X' .

The proof is by contradiction. If X' contained a meta-variable occurrence \underline{V} at a depth $< d$, such a \underline{V} could not be a \underline{V}_i and hence would also occur in X at a depth $< d$. This contradicts the fact that X is proper and all its meta-variables have depth d in X .

⟨4⟩4. All subarguments with depth d in X' are meta-variables.

By the construction of X' .

An Auxiliary Lemma For Completeness IV

⟨3⟩4. There is a $X'' \in \mathcal{A}(\tau, \leq d)$ that is identical to X' except perhaps for alphabetic variations of meta-variables.

By the induction hypothesis, since $X' \in \mathbb{L}^*(\tau, d)$.

⟨3⟩5. Apply Step $d+1$ of Algorithm 8C6 to each V_i in X'' . The algorithm will give X as an extension of X'' .

⟨4⟩1. Each W_i has form $W_i \equiv \lambda x_{i,1} \dots x_{i,m_i}. y_i V_{i,1} \dots V_{i,n_i}$

Since $\text{Depth}(X) = d + 1$, we have $\text{Depth}(W_i) \leq 1$. Since X satisfies the conditions (1) of $\mathbb{L}^*(\tau, d + 1)$, W_i is not a meta-variable. Since X satisfies the condition (2) of $\mathbb{L}^*(\tau, d + 1)$, the result holds.

⟨4⟩2. By the form of W_i (see Step ⟨4⟩1) and the algorithm 8C6, each \underline{W}_i will be a suitable replacement for \underline{V}_i .

⟨4⟩3. X is an extension of X'' .

⟨3⟩6. $X \in \mathcal{A}(\tau, \leq d + 1)$.

An Auxiliary Lemma For Completeness V

$\langle 2 \rangle 2.$ $Long(\tau, d + 1) \subseteq \mathcal{A}(\tau, \leq d + 2)$

$\langle 3 \rangle 1.$ LET: $M \in Long(\tau, d + 1).$

$\langle 3 \rangle 2.$ LET: $\underline{U}_1, \dots, \underline{U}_r$ with $r \geq 1$ be the subarguments of M , without repetition, whose depth in M is $d + 1$.

By 8E3.1, M has a subargument whose depth in M is $d + 1$.

Therefore, $r \geq 1$.

$\langle 3 \rangle 3.$ Each U_i is of the form $U_i \equiv \lambda x_{i,1} \dots x_{i,m_i}.y_i$

Since $Depth(M) = d + 1$, each U_i must have depth 0 and we conclude.

$\langle 3 \rangle 4.$ LET: M' be the result of replacing each \underline{U}_i in M by a distinct new meta-variable \underline{V}_i with the same type as \underline{U}_i .

$\langle 3 \rangle 5.$ $M' \in \mathbb{L}^*(\tau, d + 1).$

$\langle 4 \rangle 1.$ M' is a nf-scheme.

Because M is a nf-scheme and the replacement of \underline{U}_i by \underline{V}_i preserves the restrictions necessary for a nf-scheme.

$\langle 4 \rangle 2.$ M' is long and closed.

An Auxiliary Lemma For Completeness VI

Since M is long and closed and each replacement of \underline{U}_i by \underline{V}_i preserves type and adds no free variables, we conclude that M' is long and closed respectively.

⟨4⟩3. M' has depth $d + 1$.

When going from M to M' all subarguments whose depth in M was $d + 1$ had depth 0 (when viewed as terms, instead of subarguments of M) and were replaced by a meta-variable, of depth 0. Therefore, $\text{Depth}(M') = \text{Depth}(M) = d + 1$.

⟨4⟩4. M' is proper and all its meta-variables have depth $d + 1$ in M' .

Because this result holds for M and all meta-variables introduced replace subarguments whose depth in M was $d + 1$.

⟨4⟩5. All subarguments with depth $d + 1$ in M' are meta-variables. Because all the subarguments of depth $d + 1$ in M were replaced by meta-variables to obtain M' .

An Auxiliary Lemma For Completeness VII

⟨3⟩6. There is a M'' , differing from M' only by renaming meta-variables, such that $M'' \in \mathcal{A}(\tau, \leq d + 1)$.

Because $\mathbb{L}^*(\tau, d + 1) \subseteq \mathcal{A}(\tau, \leq d + 1)$ (see Step ⟨2⟩1)

⟨3⟩7. Applying Step $d + 2$ of Algorithm 8C6 to M'' will give us that M is an extension of M'' .

By the Algorithm 8C6, since each \underline{U}_i is a suitable replacement for \underline{V}_i in M'' .

⟨3⟩8. $M \in \mathcal{A}(\tau, \leq d + 2)$.

Search Completeness Lemma

Lemma 10 (8F1 in Hindley's)

Part (iii) of the search theorem 8C5 holds; i.e. if τ is composite and $d \geq 0$, then:

$$Long(\tau, d) \subseteq \mathcal{A}(\tau, \leq d + 1)$$

PROOF: By Result (2) of Lemma 9.

Subsection 2

Stretching Lemma

Lemma 11 (8F2 in Hindley's)

If $Long(\tau)$ has a member M^τ with $depth \geq ||\tau||$ then:

- ① *there exists $(M^*)^\tau \in Long(\tau)$ with $Depth((M^*)^\tau) \geq Depth(M^\tau) + 1$,*
- ② *$Long(\tau)$ is infinite.*

Proof of Detailed Stretching Lemma I

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1.$ There exists $(M^*)^\tau \in \text{Long}(\tau)$ with
 $\text{Depth}((M^*)^\tau) \geq \text{Depth}(M^\tau) + 1.$

$\langle 2 \rangle 1.$ LET: M be a typed closed long β -nf with type τ and without bound-variable clashes. LET: $d = \text{Depth}(M) \geq \|\tau\| \geq 1.$

$\langle 2 \rangle 2.$ LET: $\langle \underline{N}_0, \dots, \underline{N}_d \rangle$ be an argument-branch of length d . Here $\underline{N}_0 \equiv \underline{M}$ and \underline{N}_{i+1} is an argument of N_i .

$\langle 2 \rangle 3.$ Each N_i has form:

$$\lambda x_{i,1} \dots x_{i,m_i}. y_i P_{i,1} \dots P_{i,n_i} \quad (m_i, n_i \geq 0.)$$

$\langle 2 \rangle 4.$ LET: \underline{B}_i be the body of N_i for $i = 0, \dots, d$. That is:

$$\underline{B}_i \equiv y_i P_{i,1} \dots P_{i,n_i}$$

Proof of Detailed Stretching Lemma II

- ⟨2⟩5. At least two of these \underline{B}_i have the same type.
 - ⟨3⟩1. The type of each B_i is an atom, since N_i is long.
 - ⟨3⟩2. Each one of this atoms occur in τ , by 2B3(i).
 - ⟨3⟩3. The number of type-variables in τ is $||\tau|| \leq d$ (by hypothesis).
 - ⟨3⟩4. Since there are $d + 1$ components $\underline{B}_0, \dots, \underline{B}_d$ at least two of these must have the same type.
- ⟨2⟩6. LET: \underline{B}_p and \underline{B}_{p+r} , with $r \geq 1$ be a pair with the same type.
LET: M^* be the result of replacing \underline{B}_{p+r} in M by a copy of \underline{B}_p
(after changing bound variables in this copy to avoid clashes).

Proof of Detailed Stretching Lemma III

⟨2⟩7. $\text{Depth}(M^*) \geq d + 1$.

⟨3⟩1. $\text{Depth}(B_p) \geq r + \text{Depth}(B_{p+r})$.

Since \underline{B}_p properly contains \underline{B}_{p+r} and B_{p+r} , when seeing as a subargument of B_p , has depth r in B_p .

⟨3⟩2. M^* has an argument-branch with length $d + r$.

The members of the argument-branch are:

$$\underline{N}_0^*, \dots, \underline{N}_{p+r}^*, \underline{N}_{p+1}^o, \dots, \underline{N}_d^o$$

where for $0 \leq i \leq p + r$ each \underline{N}_i^* has the same position in M^* as \underline{N}_i had in M and for $p + 1 \leq j \leq d$ we have $N_j^o \equiv N_j$.

⟨3⟩3. $\text{Depth}(M^*) \geq d + r \geq d + 1$.

$\text{Depth}(M^*) \geq d + r$ by Step ⟨3⟩2 and 8E4.1 and $d + r \geq d + 1$ since $r \geq 1$ (Step ⟨2⟩6).

Proof of Detailed Stretching Lemma IV

$\langle 2 \rangle 8.$ M^* is indeed a long typed term.

$\langle 3 \rangle 1.$ LET: Γ_i be the context that assigns to the initial abstractors of N_i the types they have in M .

$\langle 3 \rangle 2.$ The set $Con(B_p) \cup Con(M) \cup \Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_{p+r}$ is consistent.

$\langle 4 \rangle 1.$ $\Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_d$ is consistent.

Since M has no bound variable clashes, the variables in $\Gamma_0, \dots, \Gamma_d$ are all distinct.

$\langle 4 \rangle 2.$ $Con(B_p) \subseteq \Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_d$.

$\langle 5 \rangle 1.$ Every variable free in B_p is bound in one of N_0, \dots, N_p because M is closed and \underline{B}_p is in \underline{N}_p .

$\langle 5 \rangle 2.$ Therefore, by the definition of typed term (5A1) we get $B_p \in \mathbb{T}(\Gamma_0, \dots, \Gamma_p)$.

$\langle 5 \rangle 3.$ By the definition of $Con()$ we obtain $Con(B_p) \subseteq \Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_p$.

$\langle 5 \rangle 4.$ $\Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_p \subseteq \Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_d$.

Proof of Detailed Stretching Lemma V

$\langle 4 \rangle 3.$ $Con(M) \subseteq \Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_d.$

Since M is closed, $Con(M) = \emptyset.$

$\langle 4 \rangle 4.$ $\Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_{p+r} \subseteq \Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_d.$

$\langle 3 \rangle 3.$ Since M is a genuine typed term and Step $\langle 3 \rangle 2$ holds and the abstractors in M whose scope contain \underline{B}_{p+r} , are exactly the initial abstractors of N_0, \dots, N_{p+r} we can apply Lemma 5B2.1(ii) and conclude that M^* is a genuine typed term.

$\langle 3 \rangle 4.$ M^* is long since M is long and in the substitution of \underline{B}_{p+r} by \underline{B}_p the types of \underline{B}_{p+r} and \underline{B}_p are the same.

$\langle 3 \rangle 5.$ M^* is closed since M is closed and the substitution of \underline{B}_{p+r} by \underline{B}_p has not removed any abstractor.

Proof of Detailed Stretching Lemma VI

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. $Long(\tau)$ is infinite.

By repetition of Step $\langle 1 \rangle 1$.

Subsection 3

Shrinking Lemma

Detailed Shrinking Lemma

Lemma 12 (8F3 in Hindley's)

If $\text{Long}(\tau)$ has a member M^τ with $\text{depth} \geq \mathbb{D}(\tau)$ then

- ① it has a member $M^{*\tau}$ with

$$\text{Depth}(M^\tau) - \|\tau\| \leq \text{Depth}(M^{*\tau}) < \text{Depth}(M^\tau)$$

- ② it has a member N^τ with

$$\mathbb{D}(\tau) - \|\tau\| \leq \text{Depth}(N^\tau) < \mathbb{D}(\tau)$$

Proof of Detailed Shrinking Lemma I

- ⟨1⟩1. If $Long(\tau)$ has a member M^τ with $depth \geq \mathbb{D}(\tau)$ then it has a member $M^{*\tau}$ with:

$$Depth(M^\tau) - \|\tau\| \leq Depth(M^{*\tau}) < Depth(M^\tau)$$

- ⟨2⟩1. LET: M be a member of $Long(\tau)$ without bound-variable clashes.

- ⟨2⟩2. LET: $d = Depth(M)$. $d \geq \mathbb{D}(\tau) \geq 2$.

- ⟨3⟩1. $d = Depth(M) > \mathbb{D}(\tau)$ by hypothesis.

- ⟨3⟩2. By Definition, $\mathbb{D}(\tau) = |\tau| \times \|\tau\|$.

- ⟨3⟩3. $|\tau| \geq 2$ since τ is composite. Notice that τ must be composite since atomic types have no inhabitants.

- ⟨3⟩4. $\mathbb{D}(\tau) \geq 2$.

Proof of Detailed Shrinking Lemma II

⟨2⟩3. Consider any argument-branch of M with length d . It has form

$$\langle N_0, \dots, N_d \rangle$$

where $\underline{N}_0 \equiv \underline{M}$ and \underline{N}_{i+1} is an argument of \underline{N}_i for
 $i = 0, \dots, d-1$. We will shrink this branch.

By 8E4.1, since $\text{Depth}(M) = d$, M has at least one argument-branch with length d .

⟨2⟩4. Each N_i has form

$$N_i \equiv \lambda x_{i,1} \dots x_{i,m_i}. y_i P_{i,1} \dots P_{i,n_i} \quad (m_i, n_i \geq 0)$$

⟨2⟩5. LET: $\rho_i \equiv \rho_{i,1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \rho_{i,m_i} \rightarrow a_i$ be the type of N_i .

⟨2⟩6. $IAT(N_i) = \langle \rho_{i,1}, \dots, \rho_{i,m_i} \rangle$.

Since \underline{N}_i is long, the types of $x_{i,1}, x_{i,2}, \dots$ are exactly $\rho_{i,1}, \rho_{i,2}, \dots$. By the definition of IAT we obtain $IAT(N_i) = \langle \rho_{i,1}, \dots, \rho_{i,m_i} \rangle$.

⟨2⟩7. LET: \underline{B}_i be the body of N_i , just as in the proof of Lemma 8F2 (the previous lemma). The type of \underline{B}_i is a_i .

Since the type of \underline{B}_i is the tail of the type of \underline{N}_i .

Proof of Detailed Shrinking Lemma III

- ⟨2⟩8. LET: the sequence d_0, d_1, \dots be defined as follows. $d_0 = 0$. d_{j+1} is the least index greater than d_j such that $IAT(N_{d_{j+1}})$ differs from all of:

$$IAT(N_{d_0}), \dots, IAT(N_{d_j})$$

.

- ⟨2⟩9. LET: n be the greatest integer such that d_n is defined.

- ⟨2⟩10. d_0, \dots, d_n partition the set $\{0, 1, \dots, d\}$ into the following $n + 1$, non empty sets, which will be called **IAT-intervals**:

$$\mathbb{I}_j = \{d_j, d_j + 1, \dots, d_{j+1} - 1\} \quad (0 \leq j \leq n - 1)$$

$$\mathbb{I}_n = \{d_n, d_n + 1, \dots, d\}$$

- ⟨2⟩11. If \mathbb{I}_j contains two numbers p and $p + r$, with $r \geq 1$ and B_p and B_{p+r} have the same type we shall call $\langle p, p + r \rangle$ a **tail-repetition**. It will be called **minimal** iff there is no other tail-repetition $\langle p', q' \rangle$ with $p \leq p' < q' \leq p + r$.

Proof of Detailed Shrinking Lemma IV

- ⟨2⟩12. At least one *IAT*-interval contains a tail-repetition.
- ⟨3⟩1. Suppose, by contradiction, that no interval contained a tail-repetition.
- ⟨3⟩2. An \mathbb{I}_j that contains no tail-repetition must have $\leq ||\tau||$ members.
 - ⟨4⟩1. For such an \mathbb{I}_j , the atoms:
$$a_{d_j}, \dots, a_{d_{j+1}-1}$$
must all be distinct.
 - ⟨4⟩2. By Step ⟨2⟩5, each a_i occurs in ρ_i .
 - ⟨4⟩3. By 8E7, ρ_i occurs in τ . So, a_i occurs in τ .
 - ⟨4⟩4. By definition, there are only $||\tau||$ distinct atoms in τ .
 - ⟨4⟩5. Hence, \mathbb{I}_j has $\leq ||\tau||$ members.

Proof of Detailed Shrinking Lemma V

- ⟨3⟩3. Since there are $n + 1$ *IAT* intervals in the given branch, the branch would have $\leq (n + 1) \times \|\tau\|$ members.
- ⟨3⟩4. $n + 1 \leq |\tau|$. So, the branch would have $\leq |\tau| \times \|\tau\|$ members.
- ⟨4⟩1. Since our argument-branch has d members after \underline{N}_0 , we have $n \leq d$ and $d_n \leq d$.
- ⟨4⟩2. $0 = d_0 < d_1 < \dots < d_n \leq d$.
- ⟨4⟩3. For each i , $IAT(N_i)$ is identical to one of:
 $IAT(N_{d_0}), IAT(N_{d_1}), \dots, IAT(N_{d_n})$
where each one of the *IAT*'s in the equation above are distinct.
- ⟨4⟩4. $n + 1 \leq \#(NSS(\tau)) + 1$
By 8E7, each one of the $n + 1$ *IAT*'s are empty or members of $NSS(\tau)$. Since they are distinct, at most one of them is empty.
- ⟨4⟩5. $\#(NSS(\tau)) \leq |\tau| - 1$
By 9E9.3(ii)

Proof of Detailed Shrinking Lemma VI

⟨3⟩5. However the branch has $d + 1$ members and using Step ⟨2⟩2 we obtain

$$d + 1 = \text{Depth}(M) + 1 \geq \mathbb{D}(\tau) + 1 > |\tau| \times ||\tau||$$

which contradicts Step ⟨3⟩4.

⟨2⟩13. We start to build M^* as follows. In the given branch take the last \mathbb{I}_j containing a tail-repetition, choose a minimal tail-repetition $\langle p, p + r \rangle$ in it and change M to a new term M' by replacing B_p by B_{p+r} .

Proof of Detailed Shrinking Lemma VII

⟨2⟩14. M' is a genuine typed term. M' is a long β -nf with the same type as M . Also $|M'| < |M|$.

⟨3⟩1. M' is a genuine typed term, with the same type as M .

We repeat the argument used in the proof of the Stretching Lemma (8F2):

⟨4⟩1. $\text{LET}: \Gamma_i$ be the context that assigns to the initial abstractors of N_i the types they have in M .

⟨4⟩2. The set $\text{Con}(B_{p+r}) \cup \text{Con}(M) \cup \Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_p$ is consistent.

⟨5⟩1. $\Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_d$ is consistent.

Since M has no bound variable clashes, the variables in $\Gamma_0, \dots, \Gamma_d$ are all distinct.

⟨5⟩2. $\text{Con}(B_{p+r}) \subseteq \Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_d$.

⟨6⟩1. Every variable free in B_{p+r} is bound in one of N_0, \dots, N_{p+r} because M is closed and \underline{B}_{p+r} is in \underline{N}_{p+r} .

Proof of Detailed Shrinking Lemma VIII

- ⟨6⟩2. Therefore, by the definition of typed term (5A1) we get
 $B_{p+r} \in \mathbb{TT}(\Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_{p+r}).$
- ⟨6⟩3. By the definition of $Con()$ we obtain
 $Con(B_{p+r}) \subseteq \Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_{p+r}.$
- ⟨6⟩4. $\Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_{p+r} \subseteq \Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_d.$
- ⟨5⟩3. $Con(M) \subseteq \Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_d.$
Since M is closed, $Con(M) = \emptyset.$
- ⟨5⟩4. $\Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_{p+r} \subseteq \Gamma_0 \cup \dots \cup \Gamma_d.$
- ⟨4⟩3. Since M is a genuine typed term and Step ⟨4⟩2 holds and the abstractors in M whose scope contain \underline{B}_p , are exactly the initial abstractors of N_0, \dots, N_p we can apply Lemma 5B2.1(ii) and conclude that M' is a genuine typed term with the same type as $M.$

Proof of Detailed Shrinking Lemma IX

$\langle 3 \rangle 2$. M' is a long β -nf.

Since M is a long β -nf and B_p and B_{p+r} have the same type.

$\langle 3 \rangle 3$. $|M'| < |M|$.

Since B_p properly contains B_{p+r} we have $|B_{p+r}| < |B_p|$ and hence $|M'| < |M|$.

Proof of Detailed Shrinking Lemma X

⟨2⟩15. Although M' might not be closed, there is a procedure in which, from M' , we can obtain a long β -nf M'' with the same type and depth as M' which is closed. Notice that we are not claiming that M' and M'' are related by α -conversion or any other way.

⟨3⟩1. First, notice that M' might not be closed.

M' might not be closed because the change from M to M' has removed the initial abstractors of $\underline{N}_{p+1}, \dots, \underline{N}_{p+r}$ from M , and so some free variables occurrences in \underline{B}_{p+r} that were bound in M might now be free in M' .

⟨3⟩2. LET: \underline{v} be free in the occurrence of \underline{B}_{p+r} in M' that has replaced \underline{B}_p in M . LET: \underline{v} be also free in M' .

Proof of Detailed Shrinking Lemma XI

⟨3⟩3. There is a variable in $x_{d_q,k} \in IA(N_{d_q})$, with $d_q \leq p$ that has the same type as v .

⟨4⟩1. v occurs in $IA(\underline{N}_h)$ for some h with $p+1 \leq h \leq p+r$.
Since \underline{v} is free in M' , v does not occur in a covering abstractor of this occurrence of B_{p+r} in M' . This covering abstractors are exactly the initial abstractors of $\underline{N}_0, \dots, \underline{N}_p$ in M so:

$$v \notin IA(\underline{N}_0) \cup \dots \cup IA(\underline{N}_p)$$

However, M is closed and therefore our \underline{v} , in M , must be in the scope of a $\underline{\lambda v}$ in one of $IA(\underline{N}_0), \dots, IA(\underline{N}_{p+r})$. Hence, v occurs in $IA(\underline{N}_h)$ for some h with $p+1 \leq h \leq p+r$.

⟨4⟩2. In our notation, we have $v \equiv x_{h,k}$ for some $k \leq m_h$. Also, the type of v is $\rho_{h,k} \in IAT(\underline{N}_h)$.

Proof of Detailed Shrinking Lemma XII

⟨4⟩3. $IAT(\underline{N}_h) = IAT(\underline{N}_{d_q})$ for some $q \leq j$.

Since the tail-repetition $\langle p, p+r \rangle$ is in the interval \mathbb{I}_j , by our definition of d_0, \dots, d_n , we get that $IAT(\underline{N}_h)$ coincides with:

$$IAT(\underline{N}_{d_0}), \dots, IAT(\underline{N}_{d_j})$$

⟨4⟩4. Hence, there is a variable $x_{d_q, k} \in IA(N_{d_q})$ with the same type as v .

⟨4⟩5. $d_q \leq p$.

From Step ⟨4⟩3, we have $q \leq j$, which implies $d_q \leq d_j$. Since the tail-repetition $\langle p, p+r \rangle$ occurs in \mathbb{I}_j we have $p \geq d_j$.

Proof of Detailed Shrinking Lemma XIII

⟨3⟩4. Replace v by this variable. The result will be a long β -nf with the same type and depth as M' and containing one less free variable.

From ⟨3⟩3, we see that this variable is bound by an abstractor in N_{d_q} , where $d_q \leq p$. Since the change from M to M' has only removed the initial abstractors of $\underline{N}_{p+1}, \dots, \underline{N}_{p+r}$, this variable is still a bound variable in M' . Therefore, the result has one less free variable than M' . The result has the same type and depth because we substituted a variable v by another variable that has the same type as v .

Proof of Detailed Shrinking Lemma XIV

- ⟨3⟩5. By similarly replacing every variable of \underline{B}_{p+r} that is free in M' by a new one which has the same type but is bound in M' we obtain a long β -nf M'' with the same type and depth as M' and which is closed.

Proof of Detailed Shrinking Lemma XV

$\langle 2 \rangle 16.$ $d - \|\tau\| \leq \text{Depth}(M'') \leq d.$

$\langle 3 \rangle 1.$ The number of arguments removed from the argument-branch is r , so our argument-branch now contains $d - r$ arguments.

$\langle 3 \rangle 2.$ Hence, $d - r \leq \text{Depth}(M'') \leq d.$

$\langle 3 \rangle 3.$ $r \leq \|\tau\|.$

By definition, there are only $\|\tau\|$ distinct atoms in τ . Since the tail repetition $\langle p, p + r \rangle$ we took is minimal, we have $r \leq \|\tau\|.$

$\langle 3 \rangle 4.$ $d - \|\tau\| \leq \text{Depth}(M'') \leq d.$

Proof of Detailed Shrinking Lemma XVI

⟨2⟩17. If $\text{Depth}(M'') < d$ define $M^* \equiv M''$. If not, select a branch in M'' with length d and apply the removal procedure to it (the removal procedure is the one that from M produced M''). Keep doing this to shorten the branches with length d until there are none left. Define M^* to be the first term produced by this procedure whose depth is less than d .

⟨2⟩18. Then:

$$d - \|\tau\| \leq \text{Depth}(M^*) < d$$

as required.

Proof of Detailed Shrinking Lemma XVII

⟨1⟩2. If $Long(\tau)$ has a member M^τ with $depth \geq \mathbb{D}(\tau)$ then it has a member N^τ with:

$$\mathbb{D}(\tau) - ||\tau|| \leq Depth(N^\tau) < \mathbb{D}(\tau)$$

By repeating the whole procedure described in Step ⟨1⟩1 until you obtain an output with $depth < \mathbb{D}(\tau)$.

Example 8F3.1 I

Let $\tau \equiv (a \rightarrow a) \rightarrow a \rightarrow a$, and let M^τ be a typed version of the Church numeral for the number four, i.e:

$$M^\tau \equiv (\lambda u^{a \rightarrow a} v^a. (u(u(u(uv)))))^\tau$$

Then: $||\tau|| = 1$, $|\tau| = 4$, $\mathbb{D}(\tau) = |\tau| \times ||\tau|| = 4$.

Since $\text{Depth}(M) = 4$, the above shrinking procedure can be applied to M . There is only one argument-branch in M containing four subarguments, and its members are:

$$\underline{\lambda uv. u^4 v}, \quad \underline{u^3 v}, \quad \underline{u^2 v}, \quad \underline{uv}, \quad \underline{v}$$

Example 8F3.1 II

Let's call them N_0, \dots, N_4 respectively. We have:

$$IAT(N_0) = \langle a \rightarrow a, a \rangle$$

$$IAT(N_1) = IAT(N_2) = IAT(N_3) = IAT(N_4) = \emptyset$$

Since the only change in $IAT(N_i)$ comes at $i = 1$, using the notation of the proof of 8F3, we have:

$$n = 1, \quad d_0 = 0, \quad d_1 = 1, \quad \mathbb{I}_0 = \{0\}, \quad \mathbb{I}_1 = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

There are 3 minimal repetitions in \mathbb{I}_1 ($\langle 1, 2 \rangle$, $\langle 2, 3 \rangle$, $\langle 3, 4 \rangle$).

Example 8F3.1 III

According to our procedure, we pick the last one. We replace \underline{uv} by \underline{v} and this changes M to:

$$M^* \equiv \lambda uv.u^3v$$

And now, notice that $\text{Depth}(M^*) = 3 < \mathbb{D}(\tau)$.

Warning: A Limitation of the Shrinking Lemma

As mentioned in 8D10(iii) the proof of the shrinking lemma does not necessarily apply to restricted systems of λ -terms, for example the λI -calculus. In fact, there is no guarantee that if we shrink a λI -term the result will still be a λI -term, since shrinking may cut out some variables.

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