Linear Lambda Calculus Compiler Definitions

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Source Language

The following grammar defines an expression e, where x is a variable and n is an integer.

$$b ::= + | - | / | *$$
 $e ::= n | x | e_1 b e_2 | let x = e_1 in e_2$
 $| \lambda x. e | e_1 e_2$

Stack Machine Instruction Set:

An instruction can be any of the following:

$$i ::= \text{Push } n \mid \text{Add} \mid \text{Subt} \mid \text{Mult} \mid \text{Div}$$

$$\mid \text{Roll } n \mid \text{Unroll } n \mid \text{Form_Closure } (n_v, n_\rho) \mid \text{MultiApply } n$$

Here we define machine program p, stack s, and stack value v:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \rho & ::= i \text{ list} \\ v & ::= \text{ Int } n \mid \text{Closure } (n, \rho) \\ \sigma ::= v \text{ list} \end{array}$$

Evaluating and Reversing Target Language:

Each tuple is of the form $(\rho, \sigma, \sigma_h \in \text{int list}, \rho_h)$.

$$(\operatorname{Push}\ n::\rho,\sigma,\sigma_h,\rho_h)\\ \iff (\rho,\operatorname{Int}\ n::\sigma,\sigma_h,\operatorname{Push}\ n::\rho_h)$$

$$((\operatorname{Add}\mid\operatorname{Subt}\mid\operatorname{Mult}\mid\operatorname{Div})\ \operatorname{as}\ b::\rho,\operatorname{Int}\ n_1::\operatorname{Int}\ n_2::\sigma,\sigma_h,b::\rho_h)\\ \iff (\rho,\operatorname{Int}\ (n_1\star n_2)::\sigma,n_1::\sigma_h,b::\rho_h)$$

$$(\operatorname{Roll}\ n::\rho,v_1::v_2::\cdots::v_n::\sigma,\sigma_h,\rho_h)\\ \iff (\rho,v_n::v_1::\cdots::v_{n-1}::\sigma,\sigma_h,\operatorname{Roll}\ n::\rho_h)$$

$$(\operatorname{Unroll}\ n::\rho,v_1::v_2::\cdots::v_n::\sigma,\sigma_h,\operatorname{Roll}\ n::\rho_h)$$

$$(\operatorname{Unroll}\ n::\rho,v_1::v_2::\cdots::v_n::\sigma,\sigma_h,\operatorname{Unroll}\ n::\rho_h)$$

$$\iff (\rho,v_2::\cdots::v_n::v_1::\sigma,\sigma_h,\operatorname{Unroll}\ n::\rho_h)$$

$$(\operatorname{Form_Closure}\ (n_v,n_\rho)::i_1::\cdots::i_{n_\rho}::\rho,\sigma,\sigma_h,\rho_h)\\ \iff (\rho,\operatorname{Closure}\ (n_v,i_1::\cdots::i_{n_\rho})::\sigma,\sigma_h,\operatorname{Form_Closure}\ (n_v,n_\rho)::\rho_h)$$

$$(\operatorname{MultiApply}\ n::\rho,\operatorname{Closure}(n,\hat{\rho})::v_1::\cdots::v_n::\sigma,\sigma_h,\rho_h)\\ \iff (\hat{\rho}\ @\ \rho,v_1::\cdots::v_n@\ \sigma,|\hat{\rho}|::\sigma_h,\operatorname{MultiApply}\ n::\rho_h)$$

Properties of compiled programs:

Every closure has the following property. After executing the body of the closure, consumes its arguments. Let $\vec{\sigma} = (n, \sigma, \hat{\sigma} \text{ where } |\hat{\sigma}| = n)$ and $\vec{\rho} = (\rho, \hat{\rho})$.

Well-Formed Closure Property:

$$\text{wf}(\vec{\sigma}, \vec{\rho}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\text{MultiApply } n :: \rho, \text{Closure}(n, \hat{\rho}) :: \hat{\sigma} :: \sigma, \dots)$$

$$\Longrightarrow (\hat{\rho} @ \rho, \hat{\sigma} @ \sigma, \dots) \Longrightarrow^* (\rho, v :: \sigma, \dots)$$

Notice that Form_Closure does not take any values from the stack because the body of a λ -expression contains no free variables. Therefore, we can classify the instructions into grow ops and shrink ops.

$$\begin{split} i_g &::= \text{Push } n \mid \text{Form_Closure } (n_v, n_\rho) \\ \rho_g &::= i_g \text{ list} \\ i_s &::= \text{Add } | \text{Subt} | \text{Mult} | \text{Div} \\ & | \text{Roll } n | \text{Unroll } n | \text{MultiApply } n \\ \rho_s &::= i_s \text{ list} \end{split}$$

Every program produced by our compiler has the following property.

Grow-Shrink Property:

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$$(\rho \text{ where } |\rho| > 0) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \exists \rho_g, \ \rho_s. \ \rho = \rho_g @ \rho_s$$