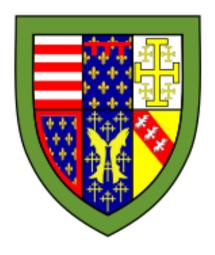
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1 Lexical Analysis

• Lexical analysis (or lexing) is the first stage in the *frontend* of the compiler. Converts a sequence of characters or symbols into a sequence of *tokens*.

1.1 Regular Expressions and Languages

Definition 1.1.1. (Regular expressions) The set of regular expressions $\mathcal{R}_{\Sigma} \subseteq (\Sigma \cup \Omega)$ * over an alphabet Σ where $\Omega = \{\emptyset, \epsilon, *, |, (,)\}$ is defined by

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r ::= a \in \Sigma \mid \epsilon \mid \varnothing
\mid (r_1) \mid (r_2)
\mid (r_1)(r_2)
\mid (r)^*
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- Precedence: | < concatentation < *.
- $\equiv_{\mathcal{R}_{\Sigma}}: \mathcal{R}_{\Sigma} \longleftrightarrow \mathcal{R}_{\Sigma}$ is syntactic equivalence defined by ASTs of \mathcal{R}_{Σ}

Definition 1.1.2. (Regular Language) The regular language of the expression $r \in \mathcal{R}_{\Sigma}$, denoted $L(r) \subseteq \Sigma^*$, is inductively defined by

$$L(\varnothing) = \emptyset$$

$$L(\epsilon) = \{\varepsilon\}$$

$$L(a) = \{a\}$$

$$L(r_1 \mid r_2) = L(r_1) \cup L(r_2)$$

$$L(r_1r_2) = \{u_1u_2 \in \Sigma^* : u_1 \in L(r_1) \land u_2 \in L(r_2)\}$$

$$L(r^*) = \{u^n \in \Sigma^* : u \in L(r) \land n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

1.1.1 Finite Automata

Definition 1.1.3. (NFA with ε -transitions) A non-deterministic finite automaton (NFA) with ε -transition (NFA $^{\varepsilon}$) is a 5-tuple $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Delta_{\varepsilon}, q_0, A)$ where

- (i) $Q = \{q_0, \dots, q_n\}$ a finite set of states.
- (ii) Σ is the finite alphabet of accepted input symbols.
- (iii) $\Delta: Q \times (\Sigma \cup \{\varepsilon\}) \to \mathcal{P}(Q)$ the transition function.
- (iv) $q_0 \in Q$ is the unique start (initial) state.
- (v) $A \subseteq Q$ is the set of accepting states.
 - $q \xrightarrow{x} q' \iff q' \in \Delta_{\epsilon}(q, x) \text{ where } x \in \Sigma \cup \{\varepsilon\}.$
 - $q_0 \stackrel{u}{\rightarrow}^* q'$ to denote the transition path

$$q_0 \xrightarrow{a_1} q_1 \xrightarrow{a_2} \cdots \xrightarrow{a_n} q',$$

where $u = a_1 \dots a_n \in \Sigma^*$.

• $q \stackrel{\varepsilon}{\Longrightarrow} q'$ is the reflexitive transitive closure of $\stackrel{\varepsilon}{\Longrightarrow}$.

Definition 1.1.4. (ε -closure) The ε -closure is defined the set of states reachable by zero or more ε -transitions:

$$\mathcal{E}(q) = \left\{ q' \in Q : q \stackrel{\varepsilon}{\Longrightarrow} q' \right\}.$$

• Algorithm for computing ε -closure:

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 \begin{split} \mathcal{E}(q_0) & \{ \\ & S \leftarrow \{q_0\} \,, l \leftarrow \{\}; \\ & \text{while } (\mathtt{size}(S) \neq 0) \; \{ \\ & q \leftarrow \mathtt{pop}(S); \\ & \text{for } (q' \in \Delta(q, \varepsilon)) \; \{ \\ & l \leftarrow l \cup \{q\}; \\ & \mathtt{push}(S, q'); \\ & \} \\ & \} \\ & \texttt{return } l; \\ \} \end{aligned}
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• The transition function $\Delta_{\varepsilon}^*: Q \times \Sigma^* \to \mathcal{P}(Q)$ over Σ^* is defined as

$$\Delta_{\varepsilon}^{*}(q,\varepsilon) = \mathcal{E}(q)$$

$$\Delta_{\varepsilon}^{*}(q,ua) = \bigcup_{q' \in \Delta_{\varepsilon}^{*}(q,u)} \left\{ q'' \in Q : q' \stackrel{a}{\Longrightarrow} q'' \right\}$$

• $q \stackrel{a}{\Longrightarrow} q'$ consisting of the state transition sequence

$$q \stackrel{\varepsilon}{\Longrightarrow} \cdot \stackrel{a}{\Longrightarrow} \cdot \stackrel{\varepsilon}{\Longrightarrow} q'.$$

• The language accepted by the NFA $^{\varepsilon}$ is

$$L(M) = \left\{ u \in \Sigma^* : q \stackrel{u}{\Longrightarrow} q' \in A \right\}.$$

Definition 1.1.5. (Deterministic finite automaton) A deterministic finite automaton (DFA) is a NFA $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Delta, q_0, A)$, with the property

$$\forall q \in Q, a \in \Sigma.\exists! q'. q \xrightarrow{a} q'.$$

- $\Delta: Q \times (\Sigma \cup \{\varepsilon\}) \to \mathcal{P}(Q)$ reduces to $\delta: Q \times \Sigma \to Q$.
- We define the transition function $\delta^*: Q \times \Sigma^* \to Q$ over Σ^* recursively

$$\delta^*(q, \varepsilon) = q$$

$$\delta^*(q, ua) = \delta(\delta^*(q, u), a)$$

• The language accepted by a DFA is

$$L(M) = \left\{ u \in \Sigma^* : q_0 \xrightarrow{u}^* q' \in A \right\} = \left\{ u \in \Sigma^* : \delta^*(q_0, u) \in A \right\}.$$

Theorem 1.1.1. (Subset Construction) For all NFA^{ε} $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Delta_{\varepsilon}, q_0, A)$, there is a DFA $PM = (\mathcal{P}(Q), \Sigma, \delta, q'_0, A')$ such that L(M) = L(PM) where

- (i) $\mathcal{P}(Q) = \{S : S \subseteq Q\}$
- (ii) The transition function $\delta: \mathcal{P}(Q) \times \Sigma \to \mathcal{P}(Q)$

$$\delta(S, a) = \bigcup_{q \in S} \left\{ q' \in Q : q \stackrel{a}{\Longrightarrow} q' \right\}.$$

(iii) The initial state is

$$q'_0 = \left\{ q \in Q : q_0 \stackrel{\varepsilon}{\Longrightarrow} q \right\}.$$

(iv) The accepting states are

$$A' = \{ S \in \mathcal{P}(Q) : S \cap A \neq \emptyset \}.$$

Proof. See IA Discrete Mathematics Notes.

• Complexity: DFA of 2^n states $\implies \Theta(2^n)$ worst-case time complexity for conversion.

Theorem 1.1.2. (Kleene's Theorem) A language L over Σ is regular \iff it can be accepted by a DFA $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, A)$.

Proof. See IA Discrete Mathematics Notes.

Corollary 1.1.2.1. We can construct an NFA^{ε}M s.t L(M) = L, inductively: IMAGE

- Generally: We can construct an NFA^{ε} for a given $r \in \mathcal{R}_{\Sigma}$, convert it into a DFA PM (using subset construction) and then use PM to determine whether $u \in \Sigma^*$ satisfies $u \in L(r)$.
- Complexity: $\Theta(|u|)$.

1.2 Lexical Grammars

• Lexing Problem: Given a finite set of tokens Λ , with associated regular expressions $\mathcal{R} = \{r_1, \dots, r_n\} \subset \mathcal{R}_{\Sigma}$ and emitting function $T : \mathcal{R} \times \Sigma^* \to \Lambda$

For the input $w \in \Sigma^*$, determine (u_i, Λ_{j_i}) for all $1 \leq i \leq m$ such that

$$w = u_1 \dots u_m$$
 and $\forall 1 \le i \le m. u_i \in L(r_{j_i}).$

- Resolving ambiguity:
 - Prioritize the order of regular expressions

- Use the longest matching regular expression to produce tokens.

Definition 1.2.1. (Lexer) A lexer L is the tuple $(Q, \Sigma, \Lambda, q_0, A, \delta, T)$, where $M = (Q, \Sigma, q_0, A\delta)$ is a DFA, {error} $\subseteq \Lambda$ is a finite set of *tokens*, and $T_L : A \times \Sigma^* \to \Lambda$ is a token emitting function.

- Lexer construction:
 - 1. For ordered set of regular expressions $\mathcal{R} = \{r_1, \dots, r_n\}$ (1 highest priority, n lowest)
 - 2. Construct a NFA^{ε} $M(r_i)$ for all $r_i \in R$. Construct $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Delta, q_0, \biguplus_i A_i)$ where $Q = q_0 \biguplus \biguplus_i Q_i$.
 - 3. Use subset construction to build DFA PM. Each state $S \in A'$ is related to a $q_A^i = \max S$ (defined by highest priorities), an accepting state for r_i . Define emitting function:

$$T_L(S, u) = T(r_i, u)$$

where $q_A^i = \max S$.

- Lexer operation:
 - 1. Define set of dead states of lexer L

$$D(L) = \left\{ q \in Q : \not\exists q' \in A.u \in \Sigma^*.q \xrightarrow{u}^* q' \right\}.$$

- 2. Transition until a dead state is reached. Then emit the token λ_i associated w/ the last accepting state q_A^i .
- 3. Reset to start state.
- Lexers resolve ambiguity:
 - Each accepting state is associated with the highest priority token
 - Longest matches are determined using dead state transitions and last accepting states.

2 Syntactic Analysis

2.1 Context-Free Grammars

Definition 2.1.1. (Context-Free Grammar) A context free grammar (CFG) $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$ where

- (i) N is a set of non-terminal symbols.
- (ii) Σ is the alphabet, or set of terminal symbols.
- (iii) $S \in N$ is the start symbol.
- (iv) $P: N \to \mathcal{P}((N \cup \Sigma)^*)$ is the finite set of production rules, where $\{\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n\} = P(A)$ is denoted

$$A \longrightarrow \alpha_1$$
 or $A \to \alpha_1 \mid \alpha_2 \mid \cdots \mid \alpha_n$
 \vdots
 $A \longrightarrow \alpha_n$

• Notation: $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \ldots \in (N \cup \Sigma)^*, X, Y, Z \in N \cup \Sigma \text{ and } A, B, C, \ldots \in N.$

Definition 2.1.2. (**Derivation**) For a grammar $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$, the relation $\Longrightarrow_G (N \cup \Sigma)^* \longleftrightarrow (N \cup \Sigma)^*$ is

$$\alpha A\beta \Longrightarrow_G \alpha \gamma \beta \iff A \to \gamma \in P,$$

where $\alpha, \beta \in (N \cup \Sigma)^*$ and $A \in N$.

• Notation: \Longrightarrow^* is the reflexive transitive closure of \Longrightarrow . The *n*-step composition of \Longrightarrow is denoted \Longrightarrow^n .

- **Problem**: Derivation steps are non-deterministic
- Solution: Deterministic leftmost and rightmost derivations.

Definition 2.1.3. (Leftmost and Rightmost Derivations) A leftmost derivation is the relation $\stackrel{lm}{\Longrightarrow}$: $(N \cup \Sigma)^* \longleftrightarrow (N \cup \Sigma)^*$ is

$$uA\alpha \stackrel{lm}{\Longrightarrow} u\beta\alpha \iff A \to \beta \in P,$$

where $u \in \Sigma^*, \alpha \in (N \cup \Sigma)^*$ and $A \in N$. Similarly, a rightmost derivation is the relation $\stackrel{rm}{\Longrightarrow} : (N \cup \Sigma)^* \longrightarrow (N \cup \Sigma)^*$ is

$$\alpha Au \stackrel{rm}{\Longrightarrow} \alpha \beta u \iff A \to \beta \in P.$$

Definition 2.1.4. (Context-Free Language) The language generated by the grammar $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$ is

$$L(G) = \left\{ u \in \Sigma^* : S \Longrightarrow_G^* u \right\}.$$

A formal language $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$ is a context-free language (CFL) $\iff L = L(G)$ for some grammar G.

Lemma 2.1.1. (Equivalence of Derivations) For all grammars $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$,

$$\forall u \in \Sigma^*. S \underset{G}{\Longrightarrow} u \iff S \underset{G}{\overset{lm}{\Longrightarrow}} u$$

$$\iff S \underset{G}{\overset{rm}{\Longrightarrow}} u$$

• Idea: Proofs (and algorithms) may now use leftmost or rightmost derivations without loss of generality \implies LL(k) and LR(k)

2.1.1 Concrete Syntax Trees

Definition 2.1.5. (Concrete Syntax Trees) For a grammar $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$, the set of concrete syntax trees (CSTs) $\mathcal{T}(G)$ is inductively defined as

$$(\operatorname{Sym}) \frac{\alpha \in \Sigma \cup N}{(\alpha, \langle \rangle)} \qquad (\varepsilon) \frac{A \to \varepsilon \in P}{(A, \langle (\varepsilon, \langle \rangle) \rangle)}$$

$$(\operatorname{Prod}) \xrightarrow{\overbrace{(\alpha_1, \ldots)}} \xrightarrow{\underbrace{(\alpha_1, \ldots)}} \xrightarrow{(\alpha_n, \ldots)} A \to \alpha_1 \ldots \alpha_n \in P$$

$$(A, \langle t_1, \ldots, t_n \rangle)$$

where $(x, \langle t_1, \ldots, t_n \rangle)$ denotes a tree with root x and children t_1, \ldots, t_n .

• CSTs are inductively associated with derivations.

Definition 2.1.6. (Frontier) The frontier of a concrete syntax tree $t \in \mathcal{F}(G)$, defined by $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{F}(G) \to (N \cup \Sigma)^*$:

$$\mathcal{F}((\alpha, \langle \rangle)) = \alpha$$
$$\mathcal{F}((A, \langle t_1, \dots, t_n \rangle)) = \mathcal{F}(t_1) \dots \mathcal{F}(t_n)$$

for $\alpha \in \Sigma \cup N \cup \{\varepsilon\}$

• A CST is said to be *complete* or a parse tree iff $\mathcal{F}(t) \in \Sigma^*$.

Theorem 2.1.1. For a grammar $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$,

$$\forall A \in N, \alpha \in (N \cup \Sigma)^*.A \Longrightarrow^* \alpha \implies \exists t \in \mathscr{T}(G). \mathrm{Root}(t) = A \land \mathcal{F}(t) = \alpha.$$

2.1.2 Regular Languages

Theorem 2.1.2. A language L is regular $\iff L = L(G)$ for a grammar $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$ where all production rules are of the form

$$\begin{array}{c} A \longrightarrow xB \\ A \longrightarrow x \\ A \longrightarrow \varepsilon \end{array}$$

Proof. By Kleene's theorem, there exists a DFA $M=(Q,\Sigma,\delta,q_0,A)$ such that L=L(M).

We introduce the following grammar $G = (Q, \Sigma, P, q_0)$, where P is defined by

$$q \to aq' \iff q \stackrel{a}{\to} q' \qquad q \to \varepsilon \iff q \in A$$

We proceed by induction over Σ^* , with the statement

$$P(u) = q_0 \stackrel{u}{\to}^* q' \iff q_0 \Longrightarrow uq'.$$

2.1.3 Closures of Context-Free Languages

• Regular languages are closed under \cup , \cap , concatentation, complementation and *.

Theorem 2.1.3. Let $\mathcal{L}_{\Sigma}^{CFG}$ be the set of context free languages.

$$\forall L_1, L_2 \subseteq \Sigma^*.L_1, L_2 \in \mathcal{L}_{\Sigma}^{CFG} \implies L_1 \cup L_2, L_1L_2, L_1^* \in \mathcal{L}_{\Sigma}^{CFG}$$

 \bullet Unlike regular languages, CFLs aren't closed under \cap and complementation.

Theorem 2.1.4. Context free languages are not closed under intersection, that is

$$\exists L_1, L_2 \subseteq \Sigma^*.L_1, L_2 \in \mathcal{L}_{\Sigma}^{CFG} \implies L_1 \cap L_2 \notin \mathcal{L}_{\Sigma}^{CFG}.$$

Proof. (Sketch)

We introduce the witnesses

$$L_1 = \{ a^i b^j c^k \in \Sigma^* : i < j \}$$

$$L_2 = \{ a^i b^j c^k \in \Sigma^* : i < k \}$$

where $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$. L_1 and L_2 are context-free. However,

$$L_1 \cap L_2 = \{ a^i b^j c^k \in \Sigma^* : i < j \land i < k \},$$

is not context-free.

Theorem 2.1.5. Context free languages are not closed under complementation, that is

$$\exists L \subseteq \Sigma^*.L \in \mathcal{L}^{CFG}_{\Sigma} \implies L^c \notin \mathcal{L}^{CFG}_{\Sigma}.$$

Proof. We proceed by contradiction. Let us assume that

$$\forall L \subseteq \Sigma^*.L \in \mathcal{L}_{\Sigma}^{CFG} \implies L^c \in \mathcal{L}_{\Sigma}^{CFG}.$$

Let $L_1, L_2 \in \mathcal{L}_{\Sigma}^{CFG}$ be arbitrary CFLs. So we have $L_1^c, L_2^c \in \mathcal{L}_{\Sigma}^{CFG}$. By theorem ??, we have $L_1^c \cup L_2^c \in \mathcal{L}_{\Sigma}^{CFG}$. By De Morgan's law (for sets), we have

$$(L_1^c \cup L_2^c)^c = L_1 \cap L_2 \in \mathcal{L}_{\Sigma}^{CFG}.$$

Since L_1, L_2 are arbitrary, this contradicts theorem ??. So we are done. \square

2.1.4 Decision Problems

Theorem 2.1.6. For $u \in \Sigma^*$ and grammar G, determining $u \in L(G)$ is decidable.

Proof. PDAs or Early's Parsing Algorithm

Theorem 2.1.7. For a grammar G, determining $L(G) = \emptyset$ is decidable.

Proof. (Sketch)

For a grammar $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$, we may compute a string $u \in \Sigma^*$ by considering concrete syntax trees of height $\leq |N|$ since a grammar should be able to generate a string without recursion.

- Many problems for CFLs are **undecidable**:
 - For CFLs $L_1, L_2 \in \mathcal{L}_{\Sigma}^{CFG}$, determine $L_1 = L_2$
 - For CFLs $L_1, L_2 \in \mathcal{L}_{\Sigma}^{CFG}$, determine $L_1 \subset L_2$
 - For CFG G, determine whether G is ambiguous

2.2 Push-Down Automata

- **Problem**: By theorem ?? and the *Pumping lemma*, CFGs are unrecognizable by *finite* automata.
- Solution: Adding memory (a stack) to an NFA $^{\varepsilon} \implies PDA$

Definition 2.2.1. (**Push-Down Automaton**) A push-down automaton (PDA) is a 6-tuple $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \Delta, q_0, Z, A)$ where:

- (i) Q is a finite set of states
- (ii) Σ is an alphabet of input symbols
- (iii) Γ is an alphabet of stack symbols
- (iv) $\Delta: Q \times (\Sigma \cup \{\varepsilon\}) \times \Gamma \to \mathcal{P}(Q \times \Gamma^*)$ is a non-deterministic transition function
- (v) $q_0 \in Q$ is the initial state
- (vi) $Z \in \Gamma$ is the initial stack symbol
- (vii) $A \subseteq Q$ is the set of accepting states

Definition 2.2.2. (Configuration) For a PDA $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \Delta, q_0, Z, A)$, the tuple $(q, u, S) \in Q \times \Sigma^* \times \Gamma^*$ is a *configuration*, denoting the current state q, the remaining input u and S is the stack.

The set of configurations of M is denoted $\mathscr{C}(M)$.

• A transition $(q', S') \in \Delta(q, a, \alpha)$ denotes M stepping from the state q with current symbol a and top of stack α to the state q', popping α and pushing S'.

Definition 2.2.3. (Transition Relation) The transition relation \longrightarrow_M : $\mathscr{C}(M) \longrightarrow \mathscr{C}(M)$ defined by

$$\frac{(q', S') \in \Delta(q, a, \alpha)}{(q, au, \alpha S) \longrightarrow_M (q', u, S'S)}$$

$$\frac{(q',S') \in \Delta(q,\varepsilon,\alpha)}{(q,u,\alpha S) \longrightarrow_M (q',u,S'S)}$$

• \longrightarrow^* denotes the reflexive transitive closure of \longrightarrow .

Definition 2.2.4. (Language) The language accepted by a PDA $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \Delta, q_0, Z, A)$, denoted L(M), is defined by

$$L(M) = \left\{ u \in \Sigma^* : \exists q \in A.(q_0, u, Z) \longrightarrow^* (q, \varepsilon, \varepsilon) \right\}.$$

2.2.1 Kleene's Theorem II

Theorem 2.2.1. (Kleene's Theorem II) A language L over Σ is context free \iff it can be accepted by a PDA $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \Delta, q_0, Z, A)$.

Proof.

(\Longrightarrow). Let $G=(N,\Sigma,P,S)$ be a grammar. We wish exhibit a PDA M s.t L(M)=L(G).

Let $M = (\{q_0, q\}, \Sigma, \Gamma, \Delta, q_0, Z, \{q\})$, where $\Gamma = \Sigma \cup N \cup \{Z\}$ and Δ is defined as follows:

$$\Delta(q_0, \varepsilon, Z) = \{(q, S)\}$$

$$\Delta(q, \varepsilon, A) = \bigcup \{(q, \alpha) : A \to \alpha \in P\}$$

$$\Delta(q, a, a) = \{(q_0, \varepsilon)\}$$

for all $a \in \Sigma$ and $A \in N$. We wish to show that L(M) = L(G), by theorem ??, that is

$$S \stackrel{lm}{\Longrightarrow}^* u\alpha \iff \forall v \in \Sigma^*.(q, uv, S) \longrightarrow_M^* (q, v, \alpha),$$

where $\alpha \in N(N \cup \Sigma)^* \cup \{\varepsilon\}$ and $u \in \Sigma^*$. By lemma ??, we are done. (\Leftarrow) . Let $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \Delta, q_0, Z, A)$ be an arbitrary PDA. Let $q' \in A$ be an arbitrary accepting state. Instantiating lemma ?? with $q = q_0$ and $\alpha = Z$, we have $L(M) = L(G_{q,q'}^{\alpha}) = L$

Lemma 2.2.1. For G and M as defined in the proof of theorem ??,

$$S \stackrel{lm}{\Longrightarrow}^* u\alpha \iff \forall v \in \Sigma^*.(q, uv, S) \longrightarrow_M^* (q, v, \alpha),$$

where $\alpha \in N(N \cup \Sigma)^* \cup \{\varepsilon\}$ and $u \in \Sigma^*$.

Lemma 2.2.2. For any PDA $M=(Q,\Sigma,\Gamma,\Delta,q_0,Z,A)$ and for all $S\subseteq Q, (q,q')\in Q\times Q, \alpha\in\Gamma$, there exists a grammar $G_{q,q'}^{S,\alpha}$ s.t

$$L(G_{q,q'}^{S,\alpha}) = \{ u \in \Sigma^* : (q, u, \alpha) \longrightarrow_M^* (q', \varepsilon, \varepsilon) \},\,$$

and S is the set of intermediate states in the transition sequence.

Proof. (Sketch) Let $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \Delta, q_0, Z, A)$ be an arbitrary PDA. We introduce the grammar $G_{q,q'}^{S,\alpha} = ((S \cup \{q,q'\}) \times \Gamma, \Sigma, P, (q,q',\alpha))$, where P is defined by

$$(q^{0}, q^{j}, \beta) \longrightarrow a(q^{1}, q^{2}, \beta_{1})(q^{2}, q^{3}, \beta_{2}) \dots (q^{j}, q^{j}, \beta_{j}) \iff (q^{1}, \beta_{1} \dots \beta_{n}) \in \Delta(q^{0}, a, \beta)$$
$$(q^{0}, q^{1}, \beta) \longrightarrow a \iff (q^{1}, \varepsilon) \in \Delta(q^{0}, a, \beta)$$

for all $(q^i, q^j, \beta) \in N$. We deduce that $L(G_{q,q'}^{S,\alpha}) = \{u \in \Sigma^* : (q, u, \alpha) \longrightarrow_M^* (q', \varepsilon, \varepsilon)\}$. Formally, we'd proceed by induction on |S|.

2.2.2 Deterministic PDAs

Definition 2.2.5. (Deterministic PDAs) A PDA $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \Delta, q_0, Z, A)$ is said to be *deterministic* if

$$\Delta: Q \times \Sigma \times \Gamma \to Q \times \Gamma^*.$$

- Any CFG G that has a equivalent deterministic PDA is a deterministic GFG.
- **Problem**: Not all CFGs are deterministic e.g.

$$\left\{x^k y^k z^k : k \ge 0\right\}.$$

2.3 Grammar Transformations

- Parsers are designed to be deterministic
- **Problem**: Choosing a production rule $A \to \gamma$ for a non-terminal A is non-deterministic.
- **Solution**: Parsers make decisions based on the *next symbols* (the lookahead). Grammars are *transformed* for parsing.

2.3.1 Left Factoring

• **Problem**: For a production rule $A \to \alpha\beta \mid \alpha\gamma$, given the lookhead α , cannot determine which expansion of A to use for the derivation.

• Solution: Left-factoring.

Definition 2.3.1. The grammar transformation *left-factoring* of a grammar $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$ with production rule

$$A \to \alpha \beta_1 \mid \alpha \beta_2 \mid \cdots \mid \alpha \beta_n \mid \gamma_1 \mid \cdots \mid \gamma_m \in P$$

is a grammar G_{lf} defined by the transformation:

$$\frac{A \to \alpha \beta_1 \mid \cdots \alpha \beta_n \mid \gamma_1 \mid \cdots \mid \gamma_m}{A \to \alpha A' \mid \gamma_1 \mid \cdots \mid \gamma_m, \quad A' \to \beta_1 \mid \cdots \mid \beta_n}$$

where $\alpha \neq \varepsilon$

Theorem 2.3.1. For all grammars $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S), L(G) = L(G_{lf})$

• Useful for top-down parsing.

2.3.2 Left Recursion

Definition 2.3.2. (Left Recursive) A grammar $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$ is (immediately) left recursive iff

$$A \to A\alpha_1 \mid \cdots A\alpha_n \mid \beta_1 \mid \cdots \mid \beta_m \in P,$$

where $\alpha_i, \beta_j \in (N \cup \Sigma)^*$ and $\beta_j \neq A\gamma$ for some $\gamma \in (N \cup \Sigma)^*$.

• **Problem**: Left recursion results in infinite loops for a top-down parser applying the rule $A \to A\alpha_i$.

Definition 2.3.3. (Eliminating Left Recursion) The grammar transformation eliminating (immediate) left recursion of a (immediate) left recursive grammar G is a grammar G_{lr} defined by the transformation

$$\frac{A \to A\alpha_1 \mid \cdots \mid A\alpha_n \mid \beta_1 \mid \cdots \mid \beta_m}{A \to \alpha\beta_1 A' \mid \cdots \mid \beta_m A', \quad A' \to \alpha_1 A' \mid \cdots \mid \alpha_n A' \mid \varepsilon}$$

Theorem 2.3.2. For all grammars $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S), L(G) = L(G_{lr})$

• Problem: Transformation doesn't eliminate indirect left recursion

Definition 2.3.4. ((Indirectly) Left Recursive) A grammar $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$ is (indirectly) *left recursive* iff

$$A_0 \longrightarrow A_1 \alpha_1 \mid \cdots$$

$$A_1 \longrightarrow A_2 \alpha_2 \mid \cdots$$

$$\vdots$$

$$A_n \longrightarrow A_0 \alpha_{n+1} \mid \cdots$$

are production rules in P.

• See notes for indirect left recursion elimination.

2.3.3 Ambiguity

Definition 2.3.5. (Ambiguity) A grammar $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$ is ambiguous if there exists $u \in \Sigma^*$ s.t there exists two distinct derivations of u.

IMAGE

- **Problem**: Ambiguity effects the *time complexity* of parsers.
- Ambiguity is removed by adding additional rules. e.g. rules that denote precedence or associativity.
- EXAMPLE
- **Problem**: Some grammars are *inherently* ambiguous e.g.

$$L = \{a^m b^m c^n : m, n \ge 1\} \cup \{a^m b^n c^n : m, n \ge 1\}.$$

2.4 Top-Down Parsing

Definition 2.4.1. (Top-Down Parsing) Top down parsing is the problem of determining $S \Longrightarrow_{G lm}^* u$ given G and $u \in \Sigma^*$.

• A top-down parser is an algorithm that decides top-down parsing.

2.4.1 Recursive Descent Parsing

• Recursive-descent parser: For grammar $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$, a recursive-decent parser consists of a set of functions $\{p_A : A \in N\}$ implements the non-terminal rule $A \in N$. e.g.

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 \begin{array}{l} \text{void } p_A() \ \{ \\ \hspace{0.5cm} // \hspace{0.1cm} A \to \alpha_1 \dots \alpha_k \\ \hspace{0.5cm} \text{for (int } i = 1; \ i < k; \ i + +) \ \{ \\ \hspace{0.5cm} \text{if } (\alpha_i \in N) \ p_{\alpha_i}(); \\ \hspace{0.5cm} \text{else if } (\alpha_i \in \Sigma \ \&\& \ \alpha_i = \text{peek()) next()}; \\ \hspace{0.5cm} \text{else throw ParserError()}; \\ \hspace{0.5cm} \} \\ \end{array}
```

- Backtracking is typically implemented. Suitable for goal-directed languages e.g. Prolog.
- **Problem**: Recursive decent parsers cannot parse left-recursive grammars, since for $A \to A\alpha$, $p_A()$ would infinitely call $p_A()$.
- Solution: Left factoring. See ??

2.4.2 First and Follow

- Idea: Parsing is equivalent to determining which production rule to "expand" at any stage during a \Longrightarrow derivation.
- **Problem**: Approaches using backtracking \implies inefficiency and complexity.
- Solution: The *notion* of lookahead.

Definition 2.4.2. (Lookahead) A *lookahead* of k is the ability to analyze the k next symbols (and the current symbol) to determine production rules that may be applied.

• Consider the input $u = v\mathbf{a}w$, $v, w \in \Sigma^*$ with current symbol $\mathbf{a} \in \Sigma^k$. Suppose we have the derivation $S \Longrightarrow_{lm} vA\beta$.

- A parser must determine the derivation $A\beta \Longrightarrow_{lm} \mathbf{a}w$. It considers cases of the production rule of A:
 - 1. If $A \longrightarrow \mathbf{b}\gamma$, then $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}$ for a derivation to exist.
 - 2. If $A \longrightarrow B\gamma$, then
 - (a) Determine whether $B \Longrightarrow_{lm} \mathbf{a}\delta$.
 - (b) If $B \Longrightarrow_{lm} \varepsilon$, then determine whether $\delta \Longrightarrow_{lm} \mathbf{a}\delta$
 - 3. If $A \longrightarrow \varepsilon$, then determine whether $\beta \Longrightarrow_{lm} \mathbf{a}\delta$
- Idea: This notion of checking cases is formalized via First and Follow.

Definition 2.4.3. (First) The function First : $(N \cup \Sigma)^* \to \mathcal{P}(\Sigma)$ is defined inductively over $(N \cup \Sigma)^*$ as

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{First}(a) &= \{a\} \\ \operatorname{First}(\varepsilon) &= \{\varepsilon\} \\ \operatorname{First}(A) &= \bigcup_{i=1}^n \operatorname{First}(\alpha_i) \\ A &\to \alpha_1 \mid \dots \mid \alpha_n \in P \end{aligned}$$

$$\operatorname{First}(X_1 \dots X_n) &= \bigcup_{i=1}^k \operatorname{First}(X_i) \\ k &= \max \left\{ k : \bigwedge_{i=1}^k X_i \Longrightarrow^* \varepsilon \right\}$$

or

$$\mathsf{First}(\alpha) = \{ a \in \Sigma : \exists \beta \in (N \cup \Sigma)^* . \alpha \Longrightarrow^* a\beta \}$$

- First(α) is the set of terminals that prefix sentences derived from α .
- First(A) is used for cases (1) and (2.a)

Theorem 2.4.1.

$$\alpha \underset{lm}{\Longrightarrow} \varepsilon \implies \varepsilon \in \mathsf{First}(\alpha),$$

$$\forall i \in \mathbb{Z}^+. \left(X_1 \dots X_i \underset{lm}{\Longrightarrow} \varepsilon\right) \implies \mathsf{First}(X_{i+1}) \subseteq \mathsf{First}(X_1 \dots X_n),$$

$$\varepsilon \in \mathsf{First}(X_1 \dots X_n) \implies \forall i \in \mathbb{Z}^+. \varepsilon \in \mathsf{First}(X_i).$$

• Follow is used when the production rule is *nullable* (derives ε).

Definition 2.4.4. (Follow) The function Follow: $N \to \Sigma$ for the grammar $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$ where $S \to \alpha \$ \in P$ and $\$ \in \Sigma$ is the EOF token, is given by

$$\begin{split} \operatorname{Follow}(S) &= \{\$\} \\ \operatorname{Follow}(B) &\supseteq \operatorname{First}(\beta) \setminus \{\varepsilon\} \\ \operatorname{Follow}(B) &\supseteq \operatorname{Follow}(A) \\ \end{split} \qquad \text{if } A \to \alpha B\beta \wedge \varepsilon \in \operatorname{First}(\beta) \end{split}$$

or

$$\mathsf{Follow}(A) = \{ a \in \Sigma : \exists \alpha, \beta \in (N \cup \Sigma)^*.S \Longrightarrow \alpha A a \beta \}$$

- Follow returns the set of terminals that immediately follow a non-terminal.
- Follow(A) is used for cases (2.b) and (3).
- First and Follow may be extended for a k lookahead.

2.4.3 Predictive Parsers and LL(k)

• Idea: Pre-compute table of decisions for derivation case analysis.

Definition 2.4.5. (Parse Table) We define a parse table \mathbf{T}^G as a matrix (two-dimensional array) of order $|N| \times |\Sigma|$, where the entry \mathbf{T}_{Aa}^G contains the set of production rules that may be "expanded" given current symbol a, that is

$$A \to \alpha \in \mathbf{T}_{Aa}^G \iff (a \in \mathsf{First}(\alpha)) \lor (\varepsilon \in \mathsf{First}(\alpha) \land a \in \mathsf{Follow}(A))$$

• With the parse table \mathbf{T}^G of G constructed, we use a stack to keep track of the left-most non-terminal producing the following $predictive\ parsing$ algorithm:

$$\begin{array}{l} \operatorname{stack} \; \leftarrow \{S\}; \\ \operatorname{while} \; ((X = \operatorname{peek}(\operatorname{stack})) \; \neq \$) \; \{ \\ a \leftarrow \operatorname{peek}(); \\ \\ \operatorname{if} \; (X = a) \; \{ \end{array}$$

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\begin{array}{c} & \operatorname{pop}(\operatorname{stack})\,;\\ & \operatorname{next}()\,;\\ \} \text{ else } \{\\ & \operatorname{non-deterministically select } X \to \alpha \text{ from } \mathbf{T}^G_{Xa};\\ & \operatorname{pop}(\operatorname{stack})\,;\\ & // \text{ push } \alpha \text{ onto stack (w/ leftmost symbol on top)}\\ & \operatorname{for } (i = |\alpha|; \ i > 0; \ i--) \text{ push}(\operatorname{stack}, \ \alpha_i)\,;\\ \} \\ \} \end{array}
```

• **Problem**: Predictive parsers are (in general) non-deterministic \Longrightarrow consider the restricted set of grammars with determinism (LL(k)).

Definition 2.4.6. (LL(k)) The class of grammar, denoted LL(k), is the set of grammars G whose parsing tables \mathbf{T}^G contain a single production rule.

- LL(k) denotes a left-to-right parser, using left-most derivations with a k symbol lookahead. e.g. LL(0) is the set of regular grammars.
- LL(k) have deterministic predictive parsing algorithms.
- **Problem**: Grammar transformations: eliminating *left-recursion* and *left-factoring* are *often* applied to make a language LL(k), since left-factors and left-recursion results multiple entries in the parsing table.
- **Problem**: $k \ge 2$ results in larger parsing tables \implies unacceptable memory usage.

2.5 Bottom-Up Parsing

• **Problem**: Top down parsing has unacceptable memory usage for $k \geq 2$ and additional grammar transformations.

Definition 2.5.1. (Reduction) $\alpha \in (N \cup \Sigma)^*$ reduces to $\beta \in (N \cup \Sigma)^*$, denoted $\alpha \underset{G}{\rightarrowtail} \beta$ in $G \iff \beta \underset{G}{\Longrightarrow} \alpha$.

• Idea: Bottom up parsing: determine whether $u \underset{G}{\rightarrowtail} S$.

Definition 2.5.2. (LR Configuration) A configuration $c \in \mathscr{C}(G)$ for G is a pair (α, v) , where u is parsed and reduces to α , and v is the remaining input. c is valid if $S \Longrightarrow_{G} \alpha v$.

Definition 2.5.3. (LR Transitions) The transition relation \longrightarrow : $\mathscr{C}(G) \mapsto \mathscr{C}(G)$ is defined by

(i) **Shift**: Shift the remaining input:

$$(\alpha, av) \xrightarrow{shift} (\alpha a, v)$$

(ii) **Reduce**: Apply reduction $\alpha \mapsto \beta$:

$$(\alpha, v) \xrightarrow{reduce} (\beta, v)$$

- **Problem**: Non-determinism of \longrightarrow transitions, on both what to reduce and when to shift or reduce.
- Solution: Use a rightmost derivation $\Longrightarrow_{rm} \Longrightarrow \alpha$ is a stack w/reductions applied to matching production rules:

$$\frac{A \to \beta \in P}{(\alpha \beta, v) \stackrel{reduce}{\longrightarrow} (\alpha A, v)}$$

• Solution: Restrict grammars for determinism $\implies LR(k)$

Definition 2.5.4. (LR(k)) LR(k) is the class of grammars G with left-to-right parsers, using right-most derivations with a k symbol lookahead.

$2.5.1 \quad LR(0)$

• LR(0) grammars have 0 symbol lookahead. More powerful than LL(0) (regular languages)

2.5.1.1 LR(0) Items

• Problem: Determining transitions on configurations

• Solution: Valid items determine possible transitions

Definition 2.5.5. (LR(0) Item) For a production rule $A \to \alpha\beta \in P$, for a grammar $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$,

$$A \to \alpha \cdot \beta$$
,

denotes an *item* where $u \underset{G}{\rightarrowtail} \alpha$ (u has been shifted / parsed), with \cdot denoting the current position, and $v \underset{G}{\rightarrowtail} \beta$ is expected. The set of LR(0) items of G is denoted $\mathscr{I}(G)$.

• $A \to \alpha \cdot \beta$ is an item corresponding to some substring $uv \le u$ having been parsed:

$$a_0 \dots \underbrace{a_k \dots a_{i-1}}^{\alpha} \cdot \underbrace{a_i \dots}^{\beta} \dots a_{n-1}.$$

• An item $A \to \alpha \cdot \beta$ represents a possible reduction of A.

• Note:

 $-A \rightarrow \gamma \cdot \implies reduce A$

 $-A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot B\beta \implies$ examine the rules $B \rightarrow \gamma \in P$.

Definition 2.5.6. (Valid Item) An item $A \to \beta \cdot \gamma$ is valid in $\alpha\beta \iff \exists v \in \Sigma^*. \alpha\beta\gamma v \underset{G}{\rightarrowtail} S$.

• Each configuration $c = (\alpha \beta, v)$ has a set valid items of the form: $A \to \beta \cdot \gamma$ in $\alpha \beta$.

Definition 2.5.7. (Kernel and Non-Kernel Items) Kernel items are items of the form: $A \to \alpha \cdot \beta$ where $\alpha \neq \varepsilon$. Non-kernel items are items of the form: $A \to \gamma$

• Examining $B \to \gamma \in P$ consists of non-deterministically transitioning to a non-kernel item of B.

• Idea: Items $\mathscr{I}(G)$ form states Q of an NFA^{ε} M'(G) w/ accepting states corresponding to reductions and transitions corresponding to shifts.

Definition 2.5.8. (Augmented Grammar of G) Let $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$ be a CFG. Define $G' = (N \cup \{S'\}, \Sigma \cup \{\$\}, P', S')$ where $P' = P \cup \{S' \to S\$\}$ and $\$ \notin \Sigma, S' \notin N$ be the augmented grammar of G.

• Augmented grammars are required for a correct initial state: $S' \to S$.

Definition 2.5.9. (LR(0) NFA) Let G' be the augmented grammar of G. Define M(G) be the NFA^{ε} $M(G) = (\mathscr{I}(G'), N \cup \Sigma, \Delta_{\varepsilon}, q_0, A)$ where $q_0 = S' \to S$ and $A = \{A \to \alpha \in \mathscr{I}(G'), A \to \alpha \in P'\}$, and Δ_{ε} is defined by:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A \to \alpha \cdot X\beta \stackrel{X}{\longrightarrow} A \to \alpha X \cdot \beta & \text{Shift} \\ A \to \alpha \cdot B\beta \stackrel{\varepsilon}{\longrightarrow} B \to \cdot \gamma & \text{Examine} \end{array}$$

• ε -transitions intuitionally relate to parsing "subgoals".

Theorem 2.5.1. (LR(0) Validity Theorem) $A \to \beta \cdot \gamma \in \Delta_{\varepsilon}^*(q_0, \alpha\beta) \iff A \to \beta \cdot \gamma$ is valid in $\alpha\beta$ in G', the augmented grammar.

• Consequence: Validity may be used as a predicate for shift / reduce transitions on configurations $\mathscr{C}(G)$ if each config has a unique valid item. (No conflicts)

LR(0) configuration transitions:

(i) Shift:

$$\frac{A \to \beta \cdot a\gamma \text{ is valid in } \alpha\beta}{(\alpha, av) \xrightarrow{shift} (\alpha a, v)}$$

(ii) Reduce:

$$\frac{A \to \beta \cdot \text{ is valid in } \alpha \beta}{(\alpha \beta, v) \xrightarrow{reduce} (\alpha A, v)}$$

• **Problem**: M(G) is non-deterministic \Longrightarrow Subset construction to produce DFA PM(G)

Definition 2.5.10. (Item Closure) The ε -closure of an LR(0) item $A \to \alpha \cdot \beta$, denoted $\mathcal{E}(A \to \alpha \cdot \beta)$, is the set of items inductively defined by

$$\frac{A \to \alpha \cdot \beta}{A \to \alpha \cdot B\beta \qquad B \to \gamma}$$

$$\frac{A \to \alpha \cdot B\beta \qquad B \to \gamma}{B \to \gamma}$$

- Intuitively: $\mathcal{E}(A \to \alpha \cdot \beta)$ is all the items we can "transition" to without shifting.
- \mathcal{E} is the closure used for subset construction, with each $\mathcal{E}(A \to \alpha \cdot \beta)$ being a state in PM(G).
- LR(0) parser:

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S \leftarrow \{q_0\} // State stack. Current state = TOS
c \leftarrow \{ \text{ sentinel\_stack: } \{ \}, \text{ input: } w \} // \text{ Configuration } \}
while (size(c.input) \neq 0) {
     q, a \leftarrow \text{peek}(S), \text{peek}(c.\text{input});
     // Non-deterministically decide:
     q' \leftarrow \delta(q, a);
     if (A \to \alpha \cdot a\beta \in q') {
          push(c.sentinel_stack, a); pop(c.input); // Shift a
         push(S, q); // transition to q'
     }
     if (A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot \in q') {
          // Pop \alpha and |\alpha| states
          for (i \leftarrow |\alpha|; i > 0; i--) {pop(c.sentinel_stack, \alpha_i); pop(S)}
         push(c.sentinel_stack, A);
          // "Shift" A:
         push(S, \delta(peek(S), A));
     }
}
// No more input, check current state
if (S' \to S\$ \cdot \in peek(S)) return ACCEPT;
throw new ParserError();
```

- **Problem**: Possible for multiple items to match either (or both) if conditions. See section ??
- **Problem**: Poor performance using sets \implies precompute actions in a parsing table, enumerating states (denoted q_i)

Definition 2.5.11. (LR(0) **Parsing Table**) A LR(0) parse table \mathbf{T}^G is the pair of matrices $(\mathbf{A}^G, \mathbf{G}^G)$

 \mathbf{A}^G is a matrix of order $|Q| \times |\Sigma|$, where each entry \mathbf{A}_{qa}^G contains the set of *actions* defined by

$$\texttt{action} \ ::= \ \texttt{shift} \ q \ \mid \ \texttt{reduce} \ A \to \beta$$

and \mathbf{G}^G is a matrix of order $|Q| \times |N|$, where each entry \mathbf{G}_{qA}^G corresponds to a *qoto* action, the "shift" transition following a reduction on A.

IMAGE

2.5.1.2 Inadequate States

- **Problem**: If state contains a reducible item $(A \to \alpha)$ and has terminal transitions \implies non-determinism. A *shift/reduce* conflict.
- reduce/reduce conflicts also occur when a state contains 2 distinct reducible items.

Definition 2.5.12. (Inadequate State) A LR(0) DFA containing a *shift/reduce* or *reduce/reduce* conflicts is said to have *inadequate states*. A DFA with inadequate states is said to be *inadequate*

Definition 2.5.13. (LR(0)) A grammar G is said to be LR(0) if it's LR(0) DFA PM(G) is adequate.

• LR(0) grammars have a LR(0) parsing table \mathbf{T}^G w/ each entry in \mathbf{A}^G containing either a single shift action or a single reduce action.

2.5.2 SLR(1)

• Problem: Conflicts.

• **Solution**: Add a lookahead.

Definition 2.5.14. (SLR(1)) SLR(1), or Simple LR(1), is an extension of LR(0) with a k=1 lookahead.

- Idea: If we're in a state w/ item $A \to \beta \cdot$, then our configuration $c = (\alpha \beta, v)$ transitions to $c = (\alpha A, v)$. Corresponds to a reduction $\beta a \mapsto Aa$, where $a \in \mathsf{Follow}(A)$.
- SLR(1) configuration transitions:
 - (i) Shift:

$$\frac{A \to \beta \cdot a\gamma \text{ is valid in } \alpha\beta}{(\alpha, av) \xrightarrow{shift} (\alpha a, v)}$$

(ii) Reduce:

$$\frac{A \to \beta \cdot \text{ is valid in } \alpha\beta \qquad a \in \mathsf{Follow}(A)}{(\alpha\beta, av) \stackrel{reduce}{\longrightarrow} (\alpha A, av)}$$

• Consequences:

$$A \to \alpha \cdot a\beta \in q \land \delta(q, a) = q' \implies \text{shift } q' \in \mathbf{A}_{qa}^G$$

$$A \to \alpha \cdot \in q \land A \neq S' \implies \forall a \in \mathsf{Follow}(A). \text{reduce } A \to \alpha \in \mathbf{A}_{qa}^G$$

$$\delta(q, A) = q' \implies \mathbf{G}_{qA}^G = q'$$

Problem: SLR(1) parsing tables \mathbf{T}^G still may have shift/reduce or reduce/reduce conflicts. SLR(1) is an *improvement but not a solution*.

2.5.3 LR(1)

• Idea: Extend LR(0) items with a lookahead

Definition 2.5.15. (**LR(1) Items**) For the production rule $A \to \alpha\beta \in P$, for a grammar $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$,

$$A \to \alpha \cdot \beta, a,$$

where $a \in \mathsf{Follow}(A)$ denotes a LR(1) item.

Definition 2.5.16. (LR(1) NFA) Let G' be the augmented grammar of G. Define M(G) to be the NFA^{ε} $M(G) = (\mathscr{I}(G'), N \cup \Sigma, \Delta_{\varepsilon}, q_0, A)$ where $q_0 = S' \to S, \$$,

 $A = \{A \to \alpha \cdot, a \in \mathscr{I}(G') : A \to \alpha \in P, a \in \mathsf{Follow}(A)\}$ and Δ_{ε} is defined by:

$$A \to \alpha \cdot X\beta, a \xrightarrow{X} A \to \alpha X \cdot \beta, a$$
 Shift
$$A \to \alpha \cdot B\beta, a \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} B \to \gamma, b \in \mathsf{First}(\beta a)$$
 Examine

- Examining B is a "sub-goal" of $B\beta$, after reducing B, the next input symbol should be a prefix of β (in First(β), or a if $\gamma \Longrightarrow \varepsilon$)
- Consequences:

$$A \to \alpha \cdot a\beta, a \in q \land \delta(q, a) = q' \implies \text{shift } q' \in \mathbf{A}_{qa}^G$$

 $A \to \alpha \cdot, b \in q \land A \neq S' \implies \text{reduce } A \to \alpha \in \mathbf{A}_{qb}^G$
 $\delta(q, A) = q' \implies \mathbf{G}_{qA}^G = q'$

Definition 2.5.17. (LR(1)) A grammar G is said to be LR(1) if it's LR(1) DFA PM(G) is adequate.

3 Interpreters

Definition 3.0.1. (Interpreter) A program that executes the object language without requiring translation to a low-level representation (e.g. machine code / bytecode)

3.1 Semantics

Definition 3.1.1. $(\lambda_{\text{rec}}^{\rightarrow} + \text{ref} + (\times/+))$ Let Σ_{var} be a countably infinite set of variables, and Σ_{loc} be a countably infinite set of locations.

Let Σ_{δ} be the set of δ -functions (operators / base functions) defined by

$$\Sigma_{\delta} = \{\cdot +^{2} \cdot, \cdot \geq^{2} \cdot\} \cup \{\operatorname{fix}^{2} \cdot \cdot\} \cup \{\cdot;^{2} \cdot\} \cup \{\operatorname{ref}^{2} \cdot, !^{1} \cdot, \cdot :=^{2} \cdot\}$$

and $C^n \in \Sigma_{\text{constructor}}$ is the set of constructors,

$$\Sigma_{\text{constructor}} = \{n^0 : n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \cup \{\text{true}^0, \text{false}^0\} \cup \{()^0\}$$
$$\cup \{(\cdot, \cdot)^2, \text{inl}^1 : \tau_1 + \tau_2, \text{inr}^1 \cdot : \tau_1 + \tau_2\}$$
$$\cup \{\ell^0 : \ell \in \Sigma_{\text{loc}}\}$$

We define the set of primitives as $\Sigma_{\text{primitive}} = \Sigma_{\text{constructor}} \cup \Sigma_{\delta}$.

The simply typed lambda calculus with recursion, references and product / sum types, denoted $\lambda_{\text{rec + ref + (\times/+)}}^{\rightarrow}$, is defined as:

$$e ::= x \in \Sigma_{\text{var}}$$

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\begin{array}{l} \mid e_1 \mid e_2 \\ \mid \lambda x : \tau.e \\ \mid v \\ \mid \text{ let } x : \tau = e_1 \text{ in } e_2 \\ \mid \text{ case } e \text{ of } \left( C_1^{m_1} x_1 : \tau_1^{C_1} \ldots x_{m_1} : \tau_n^{C_1} \rightarrow e_1 \mid \ldots \mid C_n^{m_n} x_1 : \tau_1^{C_n} \ldots x_{m_n} : \tau_m^{C_n} \rightarrow e_n \right) \end{array}
```

Definition 3.1.2. $(\lambda_{\text{rec + ref + (\times/+)}}^{\rightarrow} \text{ Types})$ The set of types $\tau \in \Sigma_{\tau}$ for $\lambda_{\text{rec + ref + (\times/+)}}^{\rightarrow}$ is defined by

• See semantics notes for operational semantics of $\lambda_{\text{rec} + \text{ref} + (\times/+)}^{\rightarrow}$.

3.1.1 Denotational Semantics

• Idea: Each syntactic construction P is associated w/ a denotation $[\![P]\!]$, a mathematical object e.g. relation, etc \implies Denotational Semantics

Definition 3.1.3. (**Denotation of Types**) Let the universe, or *domain*, \mathscr{U} be the defined by:

$$d ::= n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid \text{true} \mid \text{false} \mid () \mid \ell \in \Sigma_{\text{loc}} \\ \mid (1, d) \mid (2, d) \mid (d_1, d_2) \\ \mid \{((d_1, s_1), (d'_1, s'_1)), \ldots, ((d_n, s_n), (d'_n, s'_n))\}$$

The denotation function of types, denoted $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket : \Sigma_{\tau} \to \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{U})$, is inductively defined by

$$\begin{aligned} & [\inf] = \mathbb{Z} \\ & [\operatorname{bool}] = \{\operatorname{true}, \operatorname{false}\} \\ & [\operatorname{unit}] = \{()\} \\ & [\tau_1 \times \tau_2] = [\tau_1] \times [\tau_2] \\ & [\tau_1 + \tau_2] = [\tau_1] \uplus [\tau_2] \\ & [\tau \text{ ref }] = \Sigma_{\ell} \\ & [\tau_1 \to \tau_2] = \{\{((d_1, s_1), (d'_1, s'_1)), \dots, ((d_n s_n), (d'_n, s'_n))\} : d_i \in [\tau_1] \implies d'_i \in [\tau_2]\} \\ & = \mathcal{P}\left[([\tau_1]] \times \Sigma_s) \to ([\tau_2]] \times \Sigma_s)\right] \end{aligned}$$

Definition 3.1.4. (Value Environment) A value environment ρ is a finite partial function $\rho: \Sigma_{\text{var}} \rightharpoonup \Sigma_v$. ρ is well-typed in some type context Γ , denoted $\Gamma \vdash \rho$, iff

$$\operatorname{dom} \Gamma \subseteq \operatorname{dom} \rho \wedge \forall x \in \operatorname{dom} \Gamma . \rho(x) \in \llbracket \Gamma(x) \rrbracket .$$

- ρ is also known as a *closure*
- For all Σ ; $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau$ w/ value environment $\Gamma \vdash \rho$ and store $\Sigma \vdash s$, the denotation $[\![\Sigma; \Gamma \vdash e : \tau]\!]_{\rho,s} \in [\![\tau]\!] \times \Sigma_s$

Definition 3.1.5. (Denotation of Well-Typed Expression) The denotation of well-typed expressions, denoted $[\![\Sigma;\Gamma\vdash e:\tau]\!]_{\rho,s}$ for $\Gamma\vdash\rho$ and $\Sigma\vdash s$ is inductively defined by:

For constructors $C^n \in \Sigma_{\text{constructor}}$:

$$\begin{split} & \llbracket \Sigma; \Gamma \vdash n : \operatorname{int} \rrbracket_{\rho,s} = (n,s) \in \mathbb{Z} \\ & \llbracket \Sigma; \Gamma \vdash b : \operatorname{bool} \rrbracket_{\rho,s} = (b,s) \in \{ \operatorname{true}, \operatorname{false} \} \\ & \llbracket \Sigma; \Gamma \vdash () : \operatorname{unit} \rrbracket_{\rho,s} = ((),s) \in \{ () \} \\ & \llbracket \Sigma; \Gamma \vdash \ell : \tau \ \operatorname{ref} \rrbracket_{\rho,s} = (s(\ell),s) \\ & : \end{split}$$

For δ -functions $\delta^n \in \Sigma_{\delta}$:

$$\begin{split} & \llbracket \Sigma; \Gamma \vdash \text{fix} : [(\tau_1 \to \tau_2) \to \tau_1 \to \tau_2] \to \tau_1 \to \tau_2 \rrbracket_{\rho,s} \\ &= \Phi \left[\lambda f. \lambda(v_1, s_1) \in \llbracket \cdots \rrbracket \times \Sigma_s. (\lambda(v_2, s_2) \in \llbracket \tau_1 \rrbracket \times \Sigma_s. \right. \\ & \quad \text{let } (v_3, s_3) = [v_1 \ f(v_1, s_2)] \text{ in } \\ & \quad v_3 \ (v_2, s_3), s_1) \end{split}$$

where Φ is a fix-point operator. (See Computation Theory).

For expressions $e \in \Sigma_e$:

$$\begin{split} \llbracket \Sigma; \Gamma \vdash x : \tau \rrbracket_{\rho,s} &= (\rho(x), s) \\ \llbracket \Sigma; \Gamma \vdash e_1 \ e_2 : \tau_2 \rrbracket_{\rho,s} &= (\llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau_1 \to \tau_2 \rrbracket_{\rho,s}) (\llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau_1 \rrbracket_{\rho,s}) \\ \llbracket \Sigma; \Gamma \vdash \text{let} \ x : \tau_1 &= e_1 \text{ in } e_2 : \tau_2 \rrbracket_{\rho,s} &= (\lambda(v, s') \in \llbracket \tau_1 \rrbracket \times \Sigma_s. \llbracket \Sigma; \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau_2 \rrbracket_{(\rho, x \to v), s'}) \llbracket \Sigma; \Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau_1 \rrbracket_{\rho,s} \\ \llbracket \Sigma; \Gamma \vdash \lambda x : \tau_1.e : \tau_1 \to \tau_2 \rrbracket_{\rho,s} &= (\lambda(v, s_1) \in \llbracket \tau_1 \rrbracket \times \Sigma_s. \llbracket \Sigma; \Gamma \vdash e : \tau_2 \rrbracket_{(\rho, x \to v), s_1}, s) \\ \llbracket \Sigma; \Gamma \vdash \text{case} \ e \ldots : \tau' \rrbracket_{\rho,s} &= \llbracket \Sigma; \Gamma, x_1 : \tau_1, \ldots, x_n : \tau_{m_i} \vdash e_i : \tau' \rrbracket_{(\rho, x_i \to v_i), s'} \\ \text{where} \ (C_i^{m_i} \ v_1 \ \ldots \ v_{m_i}, s') &= \llbracket \Sigma; \Gamma \vdash e : \tau \rrbracket_{\rho,s} \end{split}$$

3.1.2 Definitional Interpreter I_0

• **Idea**: Denotation semantics yield a *meta-circular* or *definitional* interpreter.

Definition 3.1.6. (Meta-Circular Interpreter) An interpreter for an object language \mathcal{L} defined in some meta-language \mathcal{L}' where the features of \mathcal{L} are defined using the corresponding feature of the meta-language.

• e.g. function application in λ^{\rightarrow} implemented using application in OCaml

3.1.2.1 Syntax

```
type t =
           | DFix
           | DAdd | DGeq | DSeq
           | DRef | DDeref | DAssign
       let show \delta = \dots
   end
   module Primitive = struct
       type t =
           \mid Delta of Delta.t
           | Constructor of Constructor.t
       let show p = \dots
   end
   module Expr = struct
       type t =
           \mid EPrimitive of Primitive.t
           | EVar of Identifier.t
           | EApp of t * t
           | ELambda of Identifier.t * Type.t * t
           | ELet of Identifier.t * Type.t * t * t
           | ECase of t * branch list
       and branch = Constructor.t * (Identifier.t * Type.t) list * t
       let show e = \dots
   end
3.1.2.2 Interpreter
   • Denotational representations:
module Location = struct
   type t = int
   let show = Int.string_of
   (* used by the ref \delta-function *)
   let new =
```

```
let current = ref 0
         in \lambda () \rightarrow current := !current + 1; !current
end
module Value = struct
    type t =
         | VInt of int | VBool of bool | VUnit
         | VRef of Location.t
         | VPair of t * t
         | VInl of t | VInr of t
         | VFunction of (t * Store.t) \rightarrow (t * Store.t)
    let apply v_1 (v_2, s) = match v_1 with
         | VFunction f \rightarrow f (v_2, s)
         | _ -> raise RuntimeError "Expecting Function"
    let show v = \cdots
end
module Environment = struct
    type t = Identifier.t \rightarrow Value.t
    let empty = \lambda x \rightarrow
        raise RuntimeError ("undefined variable " ^ Identifier.show x)
    let extend \rho x v =
         \lambda y \rightarrow \text{if } y = x \text{ then } v \text{ else } \rho y
end
module Store = struct
    type t = Location.t \rightarrow Value.t
    let empty = \lambda \ \ell \rightarrow
         raise RuntimeError ("undefined location " ^ Location.show ℓ)
    let extend s \ell v =
         \lambda~\ell'~\rightarrow if \ell'=\ell then v else s~\ell
end
```

• Interpreters for Constructors and Delta-functions:

```
module Constructor = struct
    let interpret c = match c with
         | CInt n \rightarrow \dots
         | CInl -> VFunction (\lambda (v_1, s_1) -> (VInl v_1, s_1))
         | CInr -> VFunction (\lambda (v_1, s_1) -> (VInr v_2, s_2))
         | CPair -> VFunction
              (\lambda (v_1, s_1) \rightarrow (VFunction)
                  (\lambda \ (v_2, s_2) \rightarrow (VPair \ (v_1, v_2), s_2)), s_1))
end
module Delta = struct
    let interpret \delta = match \delta with
         | DFix ->
              let rec fix v_1 s_1 = VFunction
                  (\lambda \ (v_2, s_2) \rightarrow
                       (Value.apply (Value.apply v_1 (fix v_1 s_2)) v_2, s_2)
                  , s_1)
              in VFunction fix
end
module Primitive = struct
    let interpret p = \text{match } p.\text{body with}
         | 'Delta \delta -> Delta.interpret \delta
         | 'Constructor c \rightarrow Constructor.interpret c
end
   • Interpreter I_0:
let rec interpret e \rho s = match e with
    | EPrimitive p \rightarrow (Primitive.interpret p, s)
    | EVar x \rightarrow (\rho x, s)
     | EApp (e_1, e_2) ->
         let (v_1, s_1) = interpret e_1 \rho s
         and (v_2, s_2) = interpret e_2 \rho s_1 in
             Value.apply v_1 (v_2, s_2)
    | ELambda (x, \_, e) \rightarrow
```

```
(VFunction (\lambda (v, s) ->
              let \rho' = Environment.extend \rho x v
              in interpret e \rho' s), s)
     | ELet (x, e_1, -, e_2) \rightarrow
         let (v_1, s_1) = interpret e_1 \rho s
          and \rho' = Environment.extend \rho x v_1 in
              interpret e_2 \rho' s_1
     | ECase (e, bs) ->
          let (v_1, s_1) = interpret e_1 \rho s in
          and (match matches v_1 bs with
               | Some (e, bindings) \rightarrow
                    let \rho' = List.fold_left
                         (\lambda \ \rho \ (x, \ v) \rightarrow \text{Environment.extend} \ \rho \ x \ v) \ \rho \ \text{bindings}
                    in interpret e \rho' s_1
               | None -> raise RuntimeError "Insufficient Cases")
let matches v = \text{List.find\_map} (\lambda (c, xs, e) \rightarrow \text{match } c, xs, v \text{ with }
     | CPair, [x_1; x_2], VPair (v_1, v_2) \rightarrow \text{Some } (e, [(x_1, v_1); (x_2, v_2)])
     | _, _ -> None)
```

• Problem:

- Semantic dependence on the meta-language \implies evaluation strategies / features of meta-language must match the object language.
- Adding features not defined in the meta-language is difficult / impossible.
- Solution: CPS to explicitly define evaluation strategy / control flow + defunctionalization for low level representations (not dependent on higher order functions)

3.2 Transformations

3.2.1 Continuation Passing Style

• **Problem**: Definitional interpreters suffer from insufficient control flow for *non-local control flow features* such as errors, gotos, etc.

- For an arbitrary expression in context E, E[e], we transform E into a continuation, a λ -function of the form: $(\lambda x. E[x])e$.
- $\lambda x. E[x]$ is a *continuation*, which specifies exactly what a expression to evaluate once e has been evaluated \implies CPS λ -calculus

Definition 3.2.1. (CPS λ -Calculus) The syntax of CPS λ -calculus is defined by:

$$v ::= x \mid \lambda x.e$$

$$e ::= v_1 \ v_2$$

with denotational universe \mathcal{U} defined by

$$d ::= * | \{(d_1, d'_1), \dots, (d_n, d'_n)\}$$

and denotational semantics $\mathscr{V}\left[\!\left[\cdot\right]\!\right]_{\rho}: \Sigma_{v}^{CPS} \to \mathscr{U}, \mathscr{E}\left[\!\left[\cdot\right]\!\right]_{\rho}: \Sigma_{e}^{CPS} \to \mathscr{U}$ with a well-defined value environment $e \vdash \rho$ (or $v \vdash \rho$) \iff dom $\rho \subseteq fv(e)$ (or fv(v)):

$$\begin{split} \mathscr{V} & \llbracket x \rrbracket_{\rho} (k) = \rho(x) \\ \mathscr{V} & \llbracket \lambda x.e \rrbracket_{\rho} = \lambda v \in \mathscr{U}.\mathscr{E} \, \llbracket e \rrbracket_{(\rho, x \to v)} \\ \mathscr{E} & \llbracket v_1 \ v_2 \rrbracket_{\rho} = \mathscr{V} \, \llbracket v_1 \rrbracket_{\rho} \, \, \mathscr{V} \, \llbracket v_2 \rrbracket_{\rho} \end{split}$$

The operational semantic transition relation $e \longrightarrow e'$ defined by

$$(\lambda x.e) \ v \longrightarrow \{v/x\} \ e$$

• Simplicity of \longrightarrow and mutual recursion of $\mathscr V$ and $\mathscr E$ results in a tail recursive interpreter \Longrightarrow CPS is "lower-level" than λ -calculus.

Definition 3.2.2. (CPS Conversion) The CPS conversion function, denoted $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket (\cdot) : \Sigma_e^{\lambda} \to (\Sigma_v^{CPS} \to \Sigma_e^{CPS})$ is defined by

where k is an explicit continuation.

Theorem 3.2.1. (Equivalence)

$$\forall e \in \Sigma_e^{\lambda}, v \in \Sigma_v^{\lambda}.$$

$$e \longrightarrow^* v \iff \forall k \notin fv(e). \llbracket e \rrbracket k \longrightarrow^* \llbracket v \rrbracket k$$

- Consequence: Every program may be written in a CPS form.
- Example:

```
let (v_1, s_1) = interpret e_1 \rho s

and (v_2, s_2) = interpret e_2 \rho s_1 in

(match v_1 with

| VFunction f \rightarrow f (v_2, s_2)

| _ -> raise RuntimeError "Expecting function")
```

translates to

```
interpret e_1 \rho s (\lambda (v_1, s_1) -> interpret e_2 \rho s_1 (\lambda (v_2, s_2) -> match v_1 with | VFunction f -> f (v_2, s_2, k) | _ -> raise RuntimeError "Expecting Function"))
```

Note the passing of the continuation to the function f, since f may call interpret (See ELambda case).

3.2.1.1 Interpreter I_1

• CPS yields Interpreter I_1 :

```
| _ -> raise RuntimeError "Expecting Function")
end
module Delta = struct
    let interpret \delta = match \delta with
         | ...
         | DFix ->
           let rec fix (v1, s1, cnt1) = cnt1
              (VFunction
                (fun (v2, s2, cnt2) ->
                  fix (v1, s2,
                     (fun (v3, s3) ->
                       Value.apply v1 (v3, s3,
                         (fun (v4, s4) ->
                           Value.apply v4 (v2, s4, cnt2))))),
              s1)
           in VFunction fix
end
let interpret = interpret' (\lambda x \rightarrow x)
let rec interpret' e \rho s cnt = match e with
    | EPrimitive p \rightarrow cnt (v, s)
    | EVar x \rightarrow cnt (\rho x, s)
    | EApp (e_1, e_2) ->
         interpret' e_1 \rho s (\lambda (v_1, s_1) \rightarrow
              interpret' e_2 \rho s_1 (\lambda (v_2, s_2) \rightarrow
                  Value.apply v_1 (v_2, s_2, cnt)))
    | ELambda (x, \_, e) \rightarrow
         cnt (VFunction (\lambda (v, s, cnt) ->
                    let \rho' = Environment.extend \rho x v
                    in interpret' e \rho' s cnt)
    | ELet (x, e_1, \_, e_2) \rightarrow
         interpret' e_1 \rho s (\lambda (v_1, s_1) ->
              let \rho' = Environment.extend \rho x v_1 in
                  interpret' e_2 \rho' s_1 cnt)
    | ECase (e, bs) \rightarrow
         interpret' e_1 \rho s (\lambda (v_1, s_1) \rightarrow
```

```
match matches v_1 bs with 

| Some (e, bindings) -> let \rho' = List.fold_left 

(\lambda \ \rho \ (x, \ v) -> Environment.extend \rho \ x \ v) \ \rho bindings in interpret' e \ \rho' \ s_1 \ cnt 

| None -> raise RuntimeError "Insufficient Cases")
```

• Observation: CPS translation yields an entirely higher-order tail recursive function \implies Interpreter may be implemented using an iterative loop (See section ??)

3.2.2 Defunctionalization

- **Problem**: Interpreters I_0 and I_1 rely on higher-order functions to represent the denotation of function values (VFunction).
- Solution: Defunctionalization

Definition 3.2.3. (**Defunctionalized CPS** λ -calculus) The Defunctionalization of the CPS λ -calculus has the denotational universe \mathscr{U} :

$$d ::= (\rho, x, e)$$

and denotational semantics

$$\begin{split} \mathscr{V} & \llbracket x \rrbracket_{\rho} = \rho(x) \\ \mathscr{V} & \llbracket \lambda x.e \rrbracket_{\rho} = (\rho, x, e) \\ \mathscr{E} & \llbracket v_1 \ v_2 \rrbracket_{\rho} = \mathscr{E} & \llbracket e \rrbracket_{(\rho', x \to \mathscr{V} \llbracket v_2 \rrbracket)} \text{ where } (\rho', x, e) = \mathscr{V} & \llbracket v_1 \rrbracket \end{split}$$

Theorem 3.2.2. (Equivalence)

$$\begin{aligned} \forall e \in \Sigma_e. \forall \rho \in \Sigma_\rho \\ e \vdash \rho \implies \mathscr{E} \left[\!\!\left[e\right]\!\!\right]^{CPS}_\rho &\simeq \mathscr{E} \left[\!\!\left[e\right]\!\!\right]^{DFN}_\rho \end{aligned}$$

where $\simeq: \mathscr{U}^{CPS} \longrightarrow \mathscr{U}^{DFN}$ is a universe equivalence relation.

• Defunctionalization (DFN) is a transformation that eliminates higher order functions:

$$\llbracket \Gamma_i \vdash \lambda x : \tau_1.e_i : \tau_1 \to \tau_2 \rrbracket = \mathcal{F}_i^{\tau_1,\tau_2} (x_1,\ldots,x_n) \text{ where } x_i \in fv(e_i) \setminus \{x\}$$
$$\llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_1 \ e_2 : \tau_2 \rrbracket = \operatorname{apply}_{\tau_1,\tau_2} \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau_1 \to \tau_2 \rrbracket \quad \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau_1 \rrbracket$$

where

```
let \begin{split} &\text{let apply}_{\tau_1,\tau_2} \ f \ y = \text{match } f \ \text{with} \\ &\mid \ \mathbf{F}_{-i}^{\tau_1,\tau_2} \ -> \ \llbracket \Gamma_i, x : \tau_1 \vdash \{y/x\} \, e_i : \tau_2 \rrbracket \\ &\mid \ \ldots \end{split} \text{type function}_{\tau_1,\tau_2} = \\ &\mid \ F_i^{\tau_1,\tau_2} \ \text{of} \ \prod_{x \in fv(e_i) \setminus \{x\}} \tau_x \ [\text{where } (x,\tau_x) \in \Gamma_i] \end{split}
```

• DFN Conversion:

- 1. For each of the higher-order functions $f = \lambda x : \tau_1.e_i$ to be replaced:
 - (a) Compute the free variables (or *closure*) of f: $fv(f) = \{x_1, \ldots, x_n\}$ w/ types τ_1, \ldots, τ_n
 - (b) Define a constructor w/ type F_i of $\tau_1 * \ldots * \tau_n$
- 2. Define an apply function:

let apply
$$f$$
 y = match f with \mid \mathbf{F}_i (x_i,\ldots,x_{n_i}) \rightarrow $[\![\{y/x\}\,e_i]\!]$ \mid \ldots

where F_i represents the higher-order function $\lambda x : \tau_1.e_i$ and $fv(e_i) \setminus \{x\} = \{x_1, \dots, x_{n_i}\}$

- 3. Replace all applications w/ apply.
- Example: Defunctionalizing Environment.t:
 - 1. We have the following analysis of **Environment**. *t*'s higher-order functions:

Higher-Order Function	Closure	Constructor
λ x -> raise RuntimeError	Ø	Empty
$\lambda \ y$ -> if $y=x$ then v else $\rho \ y$	$\{\rho, x, v\}$	Extend (x, v, ρ)

Yields the ADT type definition:

2. The apply (renamed to *lookup* for semantic meaning) function is implemented as:

```
let rec lookup \rho y = match \rho with 
 | Empty -> raise RuntimeError ("undefined variable" ... ) 
 | Update (x, v, \rho') -> if y=x then v else lookup \rho' y
```

• Isomorphisms between ADT's may result in further transformations. e.g. Environment.t is isomorphic to (Identifier.t * Value.t) list

3.2.2.1 Interpreter I_2

- Idea: Defunctionalize Store, Environment, Value and continuations in $I_1 \implies I_2$.
- Defunctionalized Continuation type:

```
type t = 
  | CId 
  | CApp1 of Expr.t * Environment.t * t 
  | CApp2 of Value.t * t 
  | CLet1 of Identifier.t * Environment.t * Expr.t * t 
  | CCase1 of Expr.branch list * Environment.t * t
```

is isomorphic to:

• Note: This explicitly makes continuations a stack representation.

```
 \begin{tabular}{lll} \begin
```

```
| FFix1
        \mid FFix2 of Value.t
    let rec apply f (v, s, cnt) = match f with
        | FClosure (x, e, \rho) \rightarrow
            let \rho' = Environment.extend \rho x v in
                interpret' e \rho s cnt
        | FFix1 -> Continuation.apply cnt (VFunction (FFix2 v), s)
        | FFix2 v_1 -> apply FFix1 (v_1, s, CFix1 (v_1, v) :: cnt)
        | ...
end
module Value = struct
    type t =
        1 ...
        | VFunction of Function.t
    let apply v_1 (v_2, s, cnt) = match v_1 with
        | VFunction f \rightarrow Function.apply f (v_2, s, cnt)
        | _ -> raise RuntimeError "Expecting Function")
end
module Continuation = struct
    type t = cnt_action list
    and action =
        | CApp1 of Expr. t * Environment. t
        | CApp2 of Value.t
        | CLet1 of Identifier.t * Environment.t * Expr.t
        | CCase1 of Expr.branch list * Environment.t
        | CFix1 of Value.t * Value.t
        | CFix2 of Value.t
    let rec apply cnt (v, s) = match cnt with
        | [] \rightarrow (v, s)
        | CApp1 (e_1, \rho) :: cnt -> interpret' e_1 \rho s (App2 (v, cnt))
        | CApp2 v_1 :: cnt -> Value.apply v_1 (v_2, s, cnt)
        | CLet1 (x, \rho, e_2) :: cnt \rightarrow
```

```
let \rho' = Environment.extend \rho x v in
                 interpret' e_2 \rho' s cnt
         | CCase1 (bs, \rho) :: cnt ->
             (match matches v bs with
             | Some (e, bindings) \rightarrow
                 let \rho' = List.fold_left
                      (\lambda \ \rho \ (x, \ v) \rightarrow \text{Environment.extend} \ \rho \ x \ v) \ \rho \ \text{bindings}
                 in interpret; e \rho' s cnt
             | None -> raise RuntimeError "Insufficient Cases")
         | CFix1 (v_1, v_2) :: cnt -> Value.apply v_1 (v, s, CFix2 v_2 :: cnt)
        | CFix2 v_2 :: cnt -> Value.apply v (v_2, s, cnt)
end
let rec interpret' e \rho s cnt = match e with
    | EPrimitive p -> Continuation.apply cnt (Primitive.interpret p, s)
    | EVar x -> Continuation.apply cnt (Environment.lookup \rho x, s)
    | EApp (e_1, e_2) ->
        interpret' e_1 \rho s (CApp1 (e_2, \rho) :: cnt)
    | ELambda (x, \_, e) \rightarrow
        Continuation.apply cnt (VFunction (FClosure (x, e, \rho)), s)
    | ELet (x, e_1, \_, e_2) \rightarrow
        interpret' e_1 
ho s (CLet1 (x, 
ho, e_2) :: cnt)
    | ECase (e, bs) \rightarrow
        interpret' e \rho s (CCase1 (bs, \rho) :: cnt)
```

• Problem: interpret', Continuation.apply, Function.apply are all mutually recursive

3.2.3 Tail and Mutual Recursion Elimination

• **Problem**: Recursion is a high-level functional construct of the interpreters I_0, I_1, I_2 . Desire to use iterative structures for efficiency (removes stack frames) and lower level applications (VMs).

Definition 3.2.4. (Mutually Recursive) Mutual recursion is where two functions (or datatypes) are defined in terms of each other. In OCaml, they have the form:

let rec
$$f_1$$
 x_1 ... x_{m_1} = e_1 and ... and f_n x_1 ... x_{m_n} = e_n

• Example:

let rec is_even n = if n=0 then true else is_odd (n-1) and is_odd n = if n=0 then false else is_even (n-1)

or interpret', Continuation.apply, Function.apply (see section ??).

• Elimination Transformation:

1. Define a type action containing the arguments of each function

- 2. Uncurry all applications of f_1, \ldots, f_n in e_1, \ldots, e_n .
- 3. Define the function:

let rec
$$f$$
 action = match action with $| F_1 (x_1, \ldots, x_{m_1}) \rightarrow [e_1] | \ldots | F_n (x_1, \ldots, x_{m_n}) \rightarrow [e_n]$

where

$$\llbracket f_j \ (e_1, \dots, e_{m_j}) \rrbracket = f \ (\mathcal{F}_j \ (e_1, \dots, e_{m_j})) \qquad \text{Replace}$$

$$\llbracket e \rrbracket = e \qquad \qquad \text{Other}$$

 $\llbracket e_i \rrbracket$ is e_i w/all occurrences of $f_j(e'_1,\ldots,e'_{m_j})$ replaced w/f (\mathbf{F}_j (e'_1 , ..., e'_{m_j})).

• If e_i are simple mutual tail recursive, then $[\![e_i]\!]$ are simple tail recursive. Thus we can factor the simple tail recursion into a driver function and f yields a state transition function step.

Definition 3.2.5. (Tail Recursive) A function f is said to be tail recursive if the last operation of f is a recursive call to f.

f is said to be *simple tail recursive* if $f \notin fv(e_i)$ where e_i is an expression for an argument applied to f.

• Observation:

- CPS transforms all functions into a tail recursive function w/ a continuation
- Defunctionalization on the continuation types defines an explicit stack based datastructure w/ a mutually recursive apply function
- Mutual recursion elimination defines a state machine (on actions) which converts a set of mutually recursive functions (using DFN CPS) into a non-recursive step function w/ a simple tail recursive driver function. (See section ??)

• Elimination Transformation (for simple tail recursion):

- Write the simple tail recursive function f in the form:

```
let rec f x_1 ... x_n = match e_1, ..., e_m with \mid p_1^i, ..., p_m^i \rightarrow b_i \mid ... \mid p_1^j, ..., p_m^j \rightarrow r_j
```

where e_k, b_i, r_j are expressions, satisfying $f \notin fv(e_k)$, $f \notin fv(b_i)$ a base case and $f \in fv(r_j)$ and r_j is in simple tail recursive form.

- Define a break exception for loops: exception Break. The iterative form of f is given by:

```
exception Break let f y_1 ... y_n = let x_1 = ref y_1 and ... and x_n = ref y_n and r = ref None in try (while (true) do ( match [e_1], ..., [e_m] with p_1^i, ..., p_m^i \rightarrow r := Some ([b_i]); raise Break
```

$$\mid \dots \\ \mid p_1^j, \dots, p_m^j \rightarrow \llbracket r_j \rrbracket)$$
 with Break \rightarrow (); Option.get $!r$

where

$$\llbracket f \ e_1 \ \dots e_n \rrbracket = x_1 := \llbracket e_1 \rrbracket ; \dots ; x_n := \llbracket e_n \rrbracket$$
 Set Arguments
$$\llbracket x_i \rrbracket = !x_i$$
 Dereference arguments
$$\llbracket e \rrbracket = e$$
 Other

3.2.3.1 Interpreter I_3

• Eliminating mutual tail recursion from I_2 yields I_3 w/ the step function:

```
type state_action =
    | FApply of Function.t * (Value.t * Store.t)
    | CApply of (Value.t * Store.t)
    | Interpret of Expr. t * Environment. t * Store. t
and state = Continuation.t * state_action
let step = function
    | (cnt, Interpret (EPrimitive p, \rho, s))
        -> (cnt, CApply (Primitive.interpret p, s))
    | (cnt, Interpret (EVar x, \rho, s))
        -> (cnt, CApply (Environment.lookup \rho x, s))
    | (cnt, Interpret (EApp (e_1, e_2), \rho, s))
        -> (CApp1 (e_2, \rho) :: cnt, Interpret (e_1, \rho, s))
    | (cnt, Interpret (ELambda (x, _, e), \rho, s))
        \rightarrow (cnt, CApply (VFunction (FClosure (x, e, \rho)), s))
    | (cnt, Interpret (ELet (x, e_1, _, e_2), \rho, s))
        \rightarrow (CLet1 (x, \rho, e_2) :: cnt, Interpret (e_1, \rho, s))
    | (cnt, Interpret (ECase (e, bs), \rho, s)) |
        \rightarrow (CCase1 (bs, \rho) :: cnt, Interpret (e, \rho, s))
    | (cnt, FApply (FClosure (x, e, \rho), v, s)) ->
        let \rho' = Environment.extend \rho x v in
            (cnt, Interpret (e, \rho', s))
```

- step is a non-recursive state transition function and driver is a simple tail recursive function, with an explicit runtime-state cnt. A high-level stack machine.
- Observation: We can split the state_action type into a *stack* of *values* and a stack of environments, factoring *store* into the state:
 - CApply (v,s) corresponds to popping / pushing a value v onto the stack vs
 - Interpret (e, ρ , s) corresponds to popping / pushing environment ρ onto ρs

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end

```
type action =
    | Interpret of Expr.t
    | CApply of Continuation.t
    | FApply
    | PopEnvironment // due to environment stack semantics
and state = action list * Value.t list * Environment.t list * Store.t
let step = function
    | (Interpret (EPrimitive p) :: as, vs, \rho s, s) ->
        (as, (Primitive.interpret p) :: vs, \rho s, s)
    | (Interpret (EVar x) :: as, vs, \rho :: \rho s, s)
        -> (as, (Environment.lookup \rho x) :: vs, \rho :: \rho s, s)
    | (Interpret (EApp (e_1, e_2)) :: as, vs, \rho s, s)
        -> (Interpret e_1 :: Interpret e_2 :: CApply CApp2 :: as, vs, \rho s, s)
    | (Interpret (ELambda (x, \_, e)) :: as, vs, \rho :: \rho s, s)
        \rightarrow (as, VFunction (FClosure (x, e, \rho)) :: vs, \rho :: \rho s, s)
    | (Interpret (ELet (x, \_, e_1, e_2)) :: as, vs, \rho s, s)
        -> (Interpret e_1 :: CApply (CLet1 (x, e_2)) :: as, vs, \rho s, s)
    | (Interpret (ECase (e, bs)) :: as, vs, \rho s, s)
        -> (Interpret e :: CApply (CCase1 bs) :: as, vs, \rho s, s)
    | (FApply :: as, v :: VFunction (FClosure (x, e, \rho)) :: vs, \rho s, s) ->
        let \rho' = Environment.extend \rho x v in
          (Interpret e :: PopEnvironment :: as, vs, \rho' :: \rho s, s)
    | ...
    | (PopEnvironment :: as, vs, \rho :: \rho s, s) \rightarrow (as, vs, \rho s, s)
```

- Observation: step consists of an Interpret phase and then an Apply phase interleaved. Interpret translates the Expr.t into a stack of actions (instructions)
- Idea: Pre-compute the Interpret phase using a function compile $\implies compiling$

4 Compilers

Definition 4.0.1. (Compiler) A program that translates (compiles) the object language into a low-level representation (e.g. machine code / byte-code)

4.1 Compiler C_0

- Idea: Precomputing the Interpret phase of the step function in I_3 yields compiler C_1 .
- Defunctionalized *continuations / actions* form the *instruction set* of the stack machine. Additional instructions required for *environments*.

```
let rec compile = function
    | EPrimitive p \rightarrow [IPush (Primitive.interpret p)]
    | EVar x \rightarrow [ILookup x]
    | EApp (e_1, e_2) ->
        (compile e_1)
        @ (compile e_2)
        @ [IApp]
    | ELambda (x, \_, e) \rightarrow
        [IMakeClosure (
          (IExtend x)
          :: (compile e)
          @ [IPopEnvironment])]
    | ELet (x, _{-}, e_{1}, e_{2}) \rightarrow
        (compile e_1)
        @ [IExtend x]
        @ (compile e_2)
        @ [IPopEnvironment]
    | ECase (e, bs) \rightarrow
        (compile e)
        @ [ICase (List.map (fun (c, bs, e) \rightarrow
            let exs = List.map (fun (x, _) -> IExtend x) bs in
            let is = exs
              @ (compile e)
              @ [IPopEnvironment] in
                   (c, is) bs]
   • The highlevel stack machine for C_0:
    type state = Instruction.t list * Value.t list * Environment.t list * Store.t
    let step = function
        | (IPush v :: is, vs, \rho s, s)
            \rightarrow (is, v :: vs, \rho s, s)
        | (IApp :: is, v :: VFunction f :: vs, \rho s, s)
            -> Function.apply f v (is, vs, \rho s, s)
        | (IExtend x :: is, v :: vs, \rho :: \rho s, s)
            -> (is, vs, Environment.extend \rho x v :: \rho s, s)
```

```
| (ILookup x :: is, vs, \rho :: \rho, s)
-> (is, \text{Environment.lookup } \rho \ x :: vs, \rho :: \rho, s)
| (IMakeClosure is_1 :: is_2, vs, \rho :: \rho s, s)
-> (is_2, \text{VFunction (FClosure } (is_1, \rho)) :: vs, \rho :: \rho s, s)
| (IPopEnvironment :: is, vs, \_ :: \rho s, s) -> (is, vs, \rho s, s)
| ...
| (ICase ciss :: is, v :: vs, \rho :: \rho s, s) -> (match matches v \ ciss with
| Some (is_1, vs_1) -> (is_1 @ is, vs_1 @ vs, \rho :: \rho s, s)
| None -> raise RuntimeError "Unmatched case")
```

• Problems:

- Inefficient environments (duplication for immutability) via the environment stack
- Instruction set is highlevel and "tree-like" (containing nested instructions) e.g. IMakeClosure or ICase

4.2 Compiler C_1

4.2.1 Linearizing Instructions

- **Problem**: Instructions are "tree-like", containing Instruction. t lists (e.g. IMakeClosure).
- Solution: Linearize instructions using addresses
- At runtime: Instructions are stored in an addressable array w/ a code pointer which stores the index of the next instruction

```
module Label = struct
    type t = int
    let fresh = ...
    ...
end
```

```
module Instruction = struct type t = | \dots | IJump of Label.t | ILabel of Label.t | IReturn \dots end
```

- Requires additional instructions:
 - IJump l: Jump to address associated with label l
 - IReturn: Pop return address a and set code pointer to a
 - ILabel l: Associate label l w/ current address (at runtime, used for linking / loading)
- **Problem**: Linearizing instructions requires splitting instructions list is into instructions for (function) definitions (ds) and the main program instructions (is).
- The pair (ds, is) is defined as a bytecode blob (or object).

```
module Bytecode = struct type t = Instruction.t list * Instruction.t list // Chain bytecode let ( @> ) (ds_1, is_1) (ds_2, is_2) = (ds_1 @ ds_2, is_1 @ is_2) let pure x = ([], x) end let rec compile = function | EPrimitive p -> pure [IPush (Primitive.interpret p)] | EVar x -> pure [ILookup x] | EApp (e_1, e_2) -> (compile e_1) @> (compile e_2) @> (pure [IApp])
```

```
| ELambda (x, \_, e) \rightarrow
    let l = Label.fresh ()
    and (ds, is) = compile e in
    let d =
        (pure [ILabel l; IExtend x])
        @> (pure [IPopEnvironment; IReturn]) in
            (d \ @ \ ds, \ [IMakeClosure \ l])
| ELet (x, _{-}, e_{1}, e_{2}) \rightarrow
    (compile e_1)
    @> (pure [IExtend x])
    @>(compile e_2)
    @> (pure [IPopEnvironment])
| ECase (e, bs) \rightarrow
    let lbs = List.map (\lambda b -> (Label.fresh (), b)) bs
    and l = Label.fresh () in
        (compile e)
        ©> (pure [ICase (List.map (\lambda (l, (c, _, _)) -> (c, l)))])
        ©> (List.flat_map (\lambda (l_c, (c, bs, e)) ->
                (pure [ILabel l_c])
                @>(pure (List.map (fun (x, _) \rightarrow IExtend x) bs))
                @>(compile e)
                @> (pure [IPopEnvironment; IJump l]))
            lbs)
        @> (pure [ILabel l])
```

4.2.2 Loading

- **Problem**: Labels must be resolved to addresses before execution at runtime
- Solution: Loading. Requires additional instruction IHalt.

```
module Label_map = struct ... let of_instructions = List.fold_right (\lambda i (cp, las) -> match i with | ILabel l -> (cp + 1, Label.assoc_add (l, cp) las) | _ -> (cp + 1, las))
```

4.2.3 Control Flow

- Control flow requires additional runtime state:
 - Code pointer: An address to the next instruction
 - Return address stack: A stack of return addresses that are popped and pushed by IReturn and IApp.
- C_1 stack machine:

end

```
type state = Instruction.t array * int  
* Value.t list * Environment.t list * int list  
* Store.t

module Function = struct

let apply f v (is, cp, vs, \rho s, ras, s) = match f with  
| FClosure (cp', \rho) \rightarrow (is, cp', v :: vs, \rho :: \rho s, cp :: ras, s)  
| ...
```

```
let step (is, cp, vs, \rho s, ras, s) = match (is.(cp), vs, \rho s, ras) with
    | (IPush v, vs, \rho s, ras)
         -> (is, cp + 1, v :: vs, \rho s, ras, s)
    | (IApp, v :: VFunction <math>f :: vs, \rho s, ras)
         -> Function.apply f v (is, cp + 1, vs, \rho s, ras, s)
    | (IExtend x, v :: vs, \rho :: \rho s, ras)
         \rightarrow (is, cp + 1, vs, Environment.extend \rho \times v :: \rho s, ras, s)
    | (ILookup x :: is, vs, \rho :: \rho s, ras)
         -> (is, cp + 1, Environment.lookup \rho x :: vs, \rho :: \rho s, ras, s)
    | (IMakeClosure l, vs, \rho :: \rho s, ras)
         -> (is, VFunction (FClosure (l, \rho)) :: vs, \rho :: \rho s, ras, s)
    | (IPopEnvironment, vs, _{-} :: \rho s, ras) \rightarrow (is, cp + 1, vs, \rho s, ras, s)
    | (ICase cls, v :: vs, \rho :: \rho s, ras) ->
         (match matches v cls with
             | Some (l_c, vs_c) -> (is, l_c, vs_c \ \ \ \ vs, \ \rho :: \rho :: \rho s, ras, s)
             | None -> raise RuntimeError "Unmatched case")
    | (IReturn, vs, \rho s, ra :: ras) \rightarrow (is, ra, vs, \rho s, ras, s)
    | (ILabel l, vs, \rho s, ras) \rightarrow (is, cp + 1, vs, \rho s, ras, s)
    | (IJump l, vs, \rho s, ras) \rightarrow (is, l, vs, \rho s, ras, s)
    | (IHalt, vs, \rho s, ras) \rightarrow (is, cp, vs, \rho s, ras, s)
    | _ -> raise RuntimeError "Invalid state"
let rec driver = function
    [(is, cp, [v], \_, \_, s)] when is.(cp) = IHalt \rightarrow (v, s)
    \mid s \rightarrow \text{driver (step } s)
```

• Problems:

- Inefficient environments and lookup
- State is now *complex* (3 separate stacks)
- The value stack vs still stores complex values e.g. closures

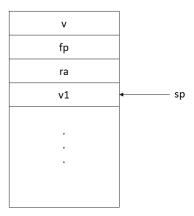
4.3 Compiler C_2

4.3.1 Activation Record

- **Problem**: Inefficient environments and *complex* state.
- Solution: Activation records or stack frames
- Idea:
 - Environments, return addresses and values follow stack-like semantics \implies combine into a single stack σ .
 - The local environment and return address forms an activation record or stack frame.
- Stack frames require 2 additional pointers:
 - stack pointer: sp points to the top of the stack σ .
 - frame pointer: fp points to start of the current stack frame / activation record.
- **Problem**: Environments require a lookup \implies an addressable stack is required.

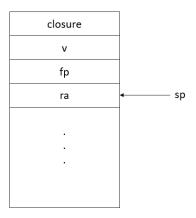
• Solution:

- Lookups must be *compiled* into offset addresses from the frame pointer fp.
- The applied argument is placed before the start of the new stack frame
- Local variables are placed after (or inside) the stack frame



Not applicable in λ^{\rightarrow} , since let bindings are compiled away

- **Problem**: Accessing free variables captured the closure ρ .
- Solution: Use an index into the *closure* ρ , with the closure placed before the start of the new stack frame (similar to arguments).



ullet let bindings and case branches are compiled to λ -functions using equivalences

let
$$x : \tau = e_1$$
 in $e_2 \cong (\lambda \ x : \tau . \ e_2) \ e_1$

$$\text{case } C^i \ v_1 \ \dots \ v_{m_i} \text{ of } (\dots \mid C^i \ x_1 : \tau_1 \ \dots \ x_{m_i} : \tau_{m_i} \to e_i \mid \dots)$$

$$\cong (\lambda \ x_1 : \tau_1 . \dots . \lambda \ x_{m_i} : \tau_{m_i} . \ e_i) \ v_1 \ \dots \ v_{m_i}$$

```
module Instruction = struct
    type offset =
        | Stack of int
        | Closure of int
    type t =
        | ILookup of offset
        // IExtend of Indentifier.t // No-longer required
        | IMakeClosure of int * int
        1 ...
        // IPopEnvironment // No-longer required
        // (due to compiled let and case branches)
end
// scope is a mapping from Identifier.t to offsets
let rec compile scope = function
    | EPrimitive p -> pure [IPush (Primitive.interpret p)]
    | EVar x \rightarrow pure [ILookup (List.assoc <math>x scope)]
    | EApp (e_1, e_2) ->
        (compile e_1)
       @>(compile e_2)
        @> (pure [IApp])
    | ELambda (x, _, e) -> compile_ \!\lambda scope x e
    | ELet (x, t, e_1, e_2) -> compile scope (EApp (ELambda (x, t, e_2), e_1))
    | ECase (e, bs) ->
        let lbs = List.map (\lambda b -> (Label.fresh (), b)) bs
        and l = Label.fresh () in
            (compile e)
            ©> (pure [ICase (List.map (\lambda (l, (c, _, _)) -> (c, l)))])
            ©> (List.flat_map (\lambda (l_c, (c, bs, e)) ->
                   let e' = List.fold_left (\lambda e (x, t) -> ELambda (x, t, e)) e bs in
                        (pure [ILabel l_c])
                       @>(compile scope e')
                       // swaps are required since the closure for e^\prime is TOS
                       ©> (pure (List.flat_map (\lambda _ -> [ISwap;IApp]) bs))
```

```
@> (pure [IJump l]))
                lbs)
            @> (pure [ILabel l])
and compile_\lambda scope x e =
    let l = Label.fresh ()
    and fvs = Expr.fvs e in
    // Extend static bindings w/ x and \rho (closure)
    let x_{\rho}bs =
        (x, Stack (-1))
        :: (List.mapi (\lambda i y \rightarrow (y, \text{Closure } i)) fvs) in
    let scope' = List.fold\_right (List.assoc) bs x\_fvs\_bs in
    // Compile body and lookup closure
    let (ds, is) = compile scope e in
    and \rho_lookups = List.map (\lambda y -> ILookup (List.assoc y scope)) fvs in
    // \lambda-definition
    let d =
        (pure [ILabel l])
        @>is
        @> (pure [IReturn]) in
            (d \ @ \ ds, \ \rho_{\text{lookups}} \ @ \ [IMakeClosure \ (l, \ List.length \ fvs)])
   • Idea: Constant state such as instruction array is may be factored out
module Stack = struct
    type t = item array
    and item =
        | SValue of Value.t
        | SRA of int
        | SFP of int
    let show \sigma = \dots
end
// (cp, sp, fp)
```

```
type state = int * int * int
// Stack/state helper functions
let push \sigma v (cp, sp, fp) =
    \sigma.(sp + 1) \leftarrow v;
    (cp, sp + 1, fp)
let pop (cp, sp, fp) n = (cp, sp - n, fp)
let swap \sigma ((cp, sp, fp) as st) =
    let i = \sigma.(sp) in
         \sigma.(sp) \leftarrow \sigma.(sp - 1);
         \sigma. (sp - 1) \leftarrow i;
         st
module Function = struct
    let apply f \ v \ \sigma \ s \ (cp, sp, fp) = match f with
         | FClosure (l, \rho) \rightarrow
              (l, sp, sp + 1)
              // Set up stack-frame preamble
              \mid> push \sigma (SValue (VFunction f))
              \mid > push \sigma (SValue v)
              // Set up stack-frame
              \mid > push \sigma (SFP fp)
              \mid > push \sigma (SRA cp)
         | ...
end
let lookup \sigma fp o = match o with
    | Stack o \rightarrow \sigma.(fp + o)
     | Closure o \rightarrow (match \sigma.(fp - 2) with
         | SValue (VFunction (FClosure (i, \rho))) -> SValue (\rho.(o))
         | _ -> raise RuntimeError "Invalid lookup")
let step is \ \sigma \ s \ (cp, \ sp, \ fp) = \text{match} \ is.(cp) \ \text{with}
    | IPush v \rightarrow push \sigma v (cp + 1, sp, fp)
    | ISwap -> swap \sigma (cp + 1, sp, fp)
    | IApp \rightarrow (match \sigma.(sp), \sigma.(sp-1) with
```

```
| SValue v, SValue (VFunction f) ->
        Function.apply f v \sigma s (cp + 1, sp - 2, fp)
    | _ -> raise RuntimeError "Invalid Stack (IApp)")
| ILookup o \rightarrow push (lookup \sigma fp o) (cp + 1, sp, fp)
| IMakeClosure (l, n) \rightarrow
    // pop free variables
    let \rho = Array.init n (\lambda i -> Value.from_stack_item \sigma.(sp - i))
    and st' = pop (cp + 1, sp, fp) n in
        // push closure onto stack
        push \sigma (VFunction FClosure (l, \rho)) st'
| ...
| ICase cls ->
    (match matches \sigma.(sp) cls with
        | Some (l_c, vs_c) \rightarrow
            List.fold_left (\lambda st v -> push \sigma v st) (l_c, sp, fp) vs_c
        | None -> raise RuntimeError "Unmatched case")
| IReturn -> (match \sigma.(fp), \sigma.(fp + 1) with
    | (SFP fp', SRA ra) -> push \sigma (\sigma.(sp)) (ra, fp - 3, fp')
    | _ -> raise RuntimeError "Invalid Stack (IReturn)")
| ILabel l \rightarrow (cp + 1, sp, fp)
| IJump l \rightarrow (l, sp, fp)
| IHalt \rightarrow (cp, sp, fp)
```

• Problems:

- The stack stores complex values (e.g. closures, sum types, pairs, etc)
- IMakeClosure duplicates the values of the free variables of e and stores then in a closure (pushed onto the stack). Consider nested lets:

let
$$x_1$$
 : τ_1 = e_1 in ... let x_n : τ_n = e_n in e

compiles to n ${\tt IMakeClosures},$ each capturing 0,1,...,n-1 in their closures.

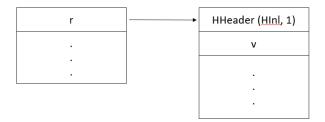
4.3.2 Heaps

- **Problem**: The stack σ still stores complex values (closures).
- Solution: Place complex values on the *heap*, with references to the heap stored on the *stack*.

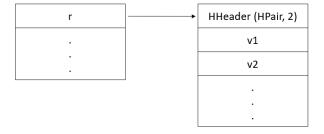
```
module Heap = struct
   type t = item array
   and item =
       | HInt of int
       | HBool of bool
       | HUnit
       | HRef of int // reference to heap
       | HLabel of Label.t
       | HHeader of int * tag // (n, t) where n is size of block
   and tag =
       | HPair
       | HInl | HInr
       | HFunction of Function.t
   // requires internal heap pointer (stored in ref)
   let alloc h n = ...
end
module Value = struct
   type t =
       | VInt of int
       | VBool of bool
       | VUnit
       | VHRef of int // reference to heap
    . . .
end
```

• Idea: When allocating complex values (sum values, pairs, closures) of size s, allocate a block of s+1 items using Heap.alloc, then place items from stack into heap using allocated block.

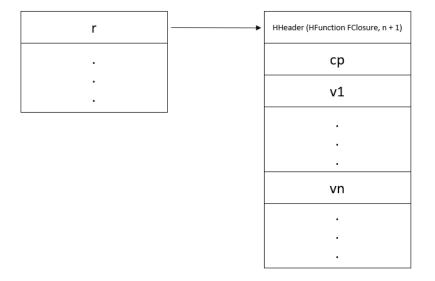
- ullet Store references are simply implemented using Heap references.
- Sum values:



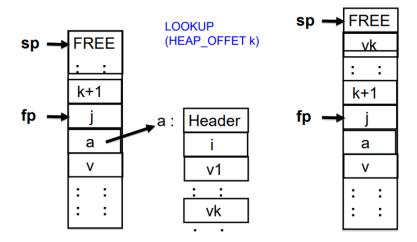
• Pairs:



• Closures:



• Lookups:



• Observation: References to the heap *prevent* the free variable value duplication implemented by closures in section??. However, each heap lookup requires an *additional level of indirection* + cost.

module Function = struct

```
// Modified to be tag-like, values stored on heap
    type t =
        | FClosure
        | FAdd1
        | FAdd2
        | ...
    // Reference r to heap allocated function
    let apply r v \sigma h (cp, sp, fp) = match h.(r) with
         | HFunction FClosure \rightarrow (match h.(r + 1) with
             | HLabel l \rightarrow
                 (l, sp, sp+1)
                 \mid > push \sigma (SValue (VHRef r))
                 \mid > push \sigma (SValue (v))
                 \mid > push \sigma (SFP fp)
                 \mid push \sigma (SRA cp)
             | _ -> raise RuntimeError "Invalid closure")
end
let step is \ \sigma \ h \ (cp, \ sp, \ fp) = \text{match} \ is.(cp) \ \text{with}
    | ...
    | IApp \rightarrow (match \sigma.(sp), \sigma.(sp-1) with
         | SValue v, SValue (VHRef r) ->
            Function.apply r v \sigma h (cp + 1, sp - 2, fp)
        | _ -> raise RuntimeError "Invalid Stack (IApp)")
    | IMakeClosure (l, n) \rightarrow
        let r = Heap.alloc h n in
             h.(r) \leftarrow \text{HHeader } (n + 1, \text{ HFunction FClosure});
             h.(r + 1) \leftarrow HLabel l;
             // pop free variables (convert stack items to heap items)
             let \rho = List.init n (\lambda i ->
                 Value.from_stack_item \sigma.(sp - i)
                 |> Heap.item_from_value)
             and st' = pop (cp + 1, sp, fp) n in
```

```
// store heap item on heap List.iteri (\lambda i hi -> h.(r + 2 + i) <- hi) \rho // push closure onto stack (w/ heap reference) push \sigma (SValue (VHRef r)) st'
```

4.4 Compiler C_3

• Idea: Translate C_3 's bytecode into x86 instructions. Removes stack machine \implies performance improvement.

4.4.1 x86

- **x86**: A CISC register-based architecture (focused on backwards compatibility)
- Several versions:
 - 16-bit: Original version, no prefix.
 - 32-bit: Registers prefixed with e. e.g. eax
 - 64-bit: Registers prefixed with r: e.g. rax
- Registers:
 - General purpose registers: eax, ebx, ecx, edx (and r8, ..., r15 for 64-bit)
 - ebp: Base / frame pointer
 - esp: Stack pointer
 - edi: Data pointer (points to the first applied argument)
 - eip: Instruction (or code) pointer
- 1, h suffixes to denote lower and upper 8-bits of registers. e.g. al
- GAS syntax: Instructions has width suffixes:
 b (byte) = 8, w (word) = 16, 1 (long) = 32, q (quad) = 64 bits. and registers prefixed w/ %

mov	Move into register / memory. e.g. mov %rax, %rbx /
	mov \$4, offset(base)
lea	Load effective address e.g. lea offset(base), %rax
push,pop	Push/pop bytes on/from stack
not, and, or, xor	Logical NOT, AND, OR, XOR on two registers /
	memory addresses, storing result in second operand.
add, sub	Add / subtract on two registers / memory addresses
inc, dec	Increment / decrement a register / memory address
neg	Negate a register / memory address (2's complement)
mul, div	Multiply / divide on two registers / memory addresses
jmp	Unconditional jump
cmp, j <condition></condition>	Conditional jump if condition: e, ne, z, g, ge, 1, le
call, ret	Call / return from a procedure

4.4.2 Registers

Definition 4.4.1. (Stack and Register machines) A stack-based machine (SM) is a model of computation that uses a *stack* to store values.

A register-based machine (RM) is a model of computation that uses a finite set of registers to store temporary values.

Advantages of SM

Disadvantages of SM

SM instructions are very compact since operands are implicit (high code density)

Smaller instructions \implies larger code blocks in instruction case (fewer misses) \implies improved performance

SMs allow for efficient access to local variables (since offsets are computed at compile time)

Spilled locals require an explicit address calculation performed at runtime e.g. load dst sbase(offset).

SM ISAs reduce compiler implementation complexity. Bytecode objects generated by post-order traversals of the AST.

Register machine ISAs require additional analysis e.g. register allocation. An NP-complete problem, since allocating variables to k registers \equiv colouring an inference graph built by liveness analysis with k colours

SMs have reduced states compared to RMs (registers) \implies fewer required resources for implementation.

Reduced state also improved interrupt mechanism, since interrupts require state to be pushed onto the stack and then jump to the interrupt handler. Implicit operands makes optimization difficult (e.g. peephole)

SMs require data cache accesses for temporary values on the stack. Accessing data case is slower than registers (and may result in a cache miss) Significant performance disadvantages

- **Problem**: Small number of registers ⇒ allocation must be effective. (Part II Optimizing Compilers)
- Calling conventions: Callee and caller may share registers (for passing arguments, return results, etc) Registers are either:
 - Caller saved: The caller must save the value stored in the register (pushing onto the stack) if the register is used by the *caller*.
 - Callee saved: The callee must save the value (in the procedure preamble) in the register if the *callee* uses the register.
- **Problem**: All registers are in use
- Solution: register spillage.

Definition 4.4.2. (Register Spillage) If all registers are in use, then the register values are pushed onto the stack, freeing the register.

• Register spillage is also used when the number of arguments > number of data registers. Additional arguments are pushed onto the stack

5 Other

5.1 Linking and Runtimes

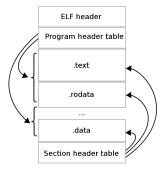
5.1.1 Static and Dynamic Linking

Definition 5.1.1. (**Object File**) An object file is the output of a compiler/assembler containing position independent assembly/machine code

- For each source file, compiler produces a object file.
- Compiled code but contains metadata for linking to an executable file.
- Segmentation: object files split into sections. Sections are used by loader and linker.
 - header: Contains descriptive information for object file w/ offsets to other segments.
 - text segment: Contains the compiled assembly w/ position independent labels
 - .data segment: Initialized static / global variables.
 - .rodata segment: Initialized const static variables / constants
 - .bss segment: Uninitialized static variables
 - strtab segment: Stores string literals
 - .symtab segment: Stores visibility of each declaration, declaration name (pointer to .strtab section), section index and virtual address (in section).

Definition 5.1.2. (Linking) Linking is the process of combining (*linking*) many object files to form an *executable* (binary).

• ELF (Executable and Linkable Format): standard UNIX representation of object files (and executables)



- Segmentation approach: merge individual approach (calculating linked addresses)
- Linking .text:
 - Object containing ${\tt main}$ function is placed w/ offset 0 in linked .text section
 - Other .text sections relocated w/ offsets after main .text section. .symtab is used to determine offsets (and addresses) of external labels.

Definition 5.1.3. (**Dyanmic Linking**) Dynamic linking is the process of linking object files are runtime using indirection via *DLL stubs*

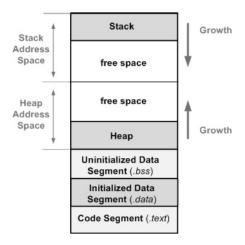
Advantages	Disadvantages
Reduces executable size	Mutating dependencies. "Dependency Hell"
Updates to DLLs don't require relinking	

5.1.2 Runtime

Definition 5.1.4. (Runtime Environment) A runtime environment (or runtime system) implements the execution model of the compiled language.

• Features:

- Interface w/ OS
- FFI (Foreign Function Interfaces)
- Type checking in dynamic languages.
- Memory management
- A *loader* loads an executable into a process address space w/ the following layout:



5.2 Garbage Collection

• Languages w/out manual memory management via malloc and free ⇒ runtime must implement automatic memory management, or garbage collection, to prevent memory leaks.

Definition 5.2.1. (**Heap Graph**) A heap graph is a graph G = (V, E, R) where V is the set of vertices modelling nodes on the heap, edges $(u, v) \in E$ denote a pointer from u to v and $R \subseteq V$ is the set of root nodes, the set of nodes w/ pointers stores in registers / on the stack.

- A node $v \in V$ is garbage iff there does not exist $u \in R$ s.t $u \to^* v$.
- Note: Tags required for pointers vs not pointers (objects) \Longrightarrow OCaml's 63-bit integers.

5.2.1 Referencing Counting

• Idea: For each heap node $v \in V$, store reference count $\rho(v)$, the number of pointers to the node. We free $v \in V$ if $\rho(v) = 0$, propagating a new reference count (recursively).

```
\text{new}(v) \ \rho(v) \leftarrow 0;
dec(v) {
     \rho(v)--;
     if (\rho(v) = 0) {
          // traverse graph accessible from u, decrementing pointers
          for (u \in \mathcal{N}(v)) \operatorname{dec}(u);
          free(v)
     }
}
inc(v) \rho(v)++;
// assign reference (pointer) \ell to v.
assign(\ell, v) {
     u \leftarrow \text{heap}[\ell];
     heap[\ell] \leftarrow v;
     dec(u);
     inc(v);
}
```

• **Problem**: Reference counting cannot free garbage cycles \implies memory leaks and space overhead to maintain count $\rho(v)$.

5.2.2 Mark and Sweep

• Idea: Traverse the heap graph G from the root set R, marking accessible nodes $v \in V$, denoted $\rho(v) \geq 1$. Iterate over V, freeing vertices $v \in V$ w/ $\rho(v) = 0$ (inaccessible).

```
\text{new}(v) \ \rho(v) \leftarrow 0;
mark(G) {
     W \leftarrow R; // dfs/bfs from root set
     while W \neq \emptyset {
          w \leftarrow \mathsf{pop}(W);
          \rho(w)++;
          if (\rho(w) = 1) { // first visit
               W \leftarrow W \cup \mathcal{N}(w);
          }
     }
}
sweep(G) {
     for (v \in V) {
          if (\rho(v) = 0) free(v);
          \rho(v) \leftarrow 0; // clear count
     }
}
collect(G) {
     mark(G);
     sweep(G);
}
```

 Computes the reflexive transitive closure of R (on the relation defined by G), denoted R*, the set of objects reachable from the root set R.
 The unreachable objects is given by V_F = V \ R* = {v ∈ V : ρ(v) = 0 after mark(G)}

	Reference Counting	Mark and Sweep
Collection	Incremental	Batch
Cost Per Assignment	High	Low
Delays	Short	Long
Collects Cycles	No	Yes

5.2.3 Copy and Generational Collectors

• Idea: Idea, remove second iteration of Mark and Sweep using 2 heaps (Time \rightarrow Space tradeoff) \Longrightarrow Copy collector.

```
// 2 heaps H_1, H_2 w/ G representing current heap
\text{new}(v) \ \rho(v) \leftarrow 0;
mark(G) {
    W \leftarrow R; // dfs/bfs from root set
    while W \neq \emptyset {
         w \leftarrow \mathsf{pop}(W);
         \rho(w)++;
         if (\rho(w) = 1) { // first visit
             move(w); // moves object w to next heap
             W \leftarrow W \cup \mathcal{N}(w);
         }
    }
}
collect(G) {
    mark(G);
    swap(); // swaps current heap w/ next heap via pointer swap
    clear(); // clears next heap
}
```

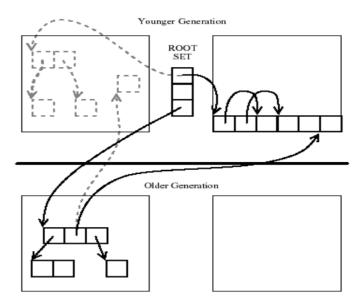
• Advantage:

- Reduces # of traversals over G (runtime now proportional to live objects)
- move function may implement compaction \implies eliminates external fragmentation

Disadvantages:

 $- \times 2$ amount of memory used at a given time.

- Observation: Approximately 95% of objects are freed quickly \implies inefficient to continue copying long-lived objects between heaps H_1, H_2 .
- Idea: Split H_1 and H_2 into generational heaps, aging objects from younger generations into older ones if they survive a collection. Older generations are collected less frequently than younger ones:



A generational copy collector.

5.3 Static Links

• **Problem**: Closures are slow and inefficient (especially Timothy G's)

5.3.1 Escaping Variables

• A scope S, denoted S_f , is a set of available variables associated in some λ abstraction (denoted $f = \lambda x.e$).

Definition 5.3.1. (Lexical Scoping) Lexical scoping is where the scope S is defined lexically (statically).

Dynamic scoping is where the scope S is defined dynamically by the stack frames.

- A scope S_f is said to be the definer or binder of $x \in V$ iff x is defined in f.
- Scopes are *nested* / recursive:

```
let twice f =
  let g x = f (f x) in g
```

Scope S_g is nested in S_{twice} w/ nesting depths d and d+1.

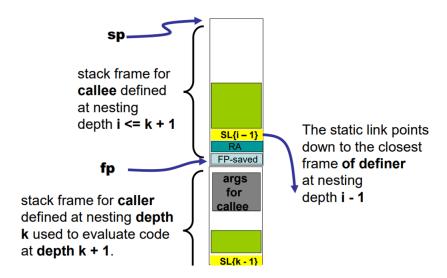
Definition 5.3.2. (Escaping Variable) A variable x is escaping wrt S_f if x is free in some function g that escapes f (returned by f)

- Escaping variables must be allocated on the *heap* once *closed* over (deallocated by current stack frame). An *escaping-variable record* is placed in the stack frame (like a *closure*).
- Escape analysis:
 - 1. Function (w/ closure) is returned
 - 2. Function is assigned to a global variable / reference
 - 3. Function is stored in a data structure that escapes
 - 4. Higher order functions.

See Ali* compiler for upvalue analysis

5.3.2 Static Link Chains

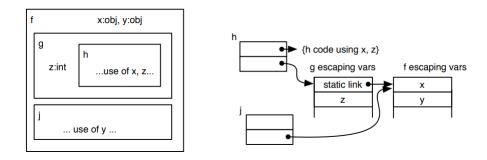
Definition 5.3.3. (Static Link) A pointer (in the stack frame) to the definer (or enclosing scope) of the current function.



- Static linking implements the *nested* scope traversal (defined by lexical scope) via *static links*.
- Accessing variables $x \le i$ index i and static distance d:

```
do {
    frame \( -d > 0 \);
return frame.vs[i];
```

• With closures, static links may be pointed to *closures*:



5.4 Optimizations

5.4.1 Inlining

Definition 5.4.1. (Inlining) Inline expression is an optimization technique by inlining the function body for a given call.

- Optimizes running time by eliminating overhead of call prologue and epilogue . Space \rightarrow Time tradeoff by duplicating function bodies.
- **Heuristics** for Inline expansion:
 - 1. Expand function-calls that are executed frequently. Determines by static-analysis of loop-nest depth (or at runtime w/ JIT)
 - 2. Expand functions w/ very small bodies. Minimizing code explosion from inline expansion.
 - 3. Expand functions that are only called once (and aren't exported), then apply dead-code elimination (deleting original function definition).

5.4.2 Constant Folding

Definition 5.4.2. (Constant Folding) Constant folding is an optimization where constant expressions are evaluated at compile time.

• Optimizes running time. Compile time \rightarrow Running time tradeoff.

Definition 5.4.3. (Constant Propagation) Constant propagation is the process of substituting the identifier x of a constant expressions e evaluated at compile time w/ it's value v.

• Implementing using reaching definition analysis (binder dependencies).

Advantages	Disadvantages
Eliminates the instructions required by the calling convention: the prologue and epilogue (and the call/jump required).	Inlining duplicates function body, increase in code size \implies may result in a code explosion.
Reduces register spillage from arguments	Increases working set (the set of pages the program requires access to at a given time). Increases page faults \Longrightarrow thrashing (in serve cases)
Removes callee, caller boundary, allowing for more intra-procedural optimizations (e.g. peephole, etc)	Increases instruction cache miss rate (due to increased code size).
Eliminating function calls improves the temporal + spatial locality of instructions.	

Original	Optimized
int $x = 5$;	
int $y = x * 2;$	int z = a[10]
int z = a[v].	

Advantages	Disadvantages
Increases runtime performance	Decreases compiler performance (massive slowdown for large programs)
Unsafe optimizations may be applied. e.g. $0 * x \neq 0$ (by IEEE)	
Simple implementation. Pattern matching on operators w/ operands tagged Const.	

5.4.3 Peephole Optimizations

Definition 5.4.4. (Peephole Optimization) Peephole optimization is an optimization technique applied to a small set of instructions (*known as a peephole or window*), where the small set of instructions is optimized to an equivalent set of instructions w/ better performance

- May be applied to ISA or expressions (low and high level) w/ techniques:
 - Removing null sequence of operations
 - Combining operations into a single instruction
 - Algebraic laws
 - Re-ordering instructions, such as load hoisting or loop invariant optimizations, etc.

Advantages	Disadvantages
Many applicable optimizations	Limited scope due to peephole. Cannot deal w/ optimizations based on control flow / inter-procedural optimizations
Simple implementation. Pattern matching optimizations w/in peephole optimization w/ traversal algorithm across AST / linearized code.	
Combined with inter-procedural optimizations (e.g. inlining) yields extremely effective optimizer.	