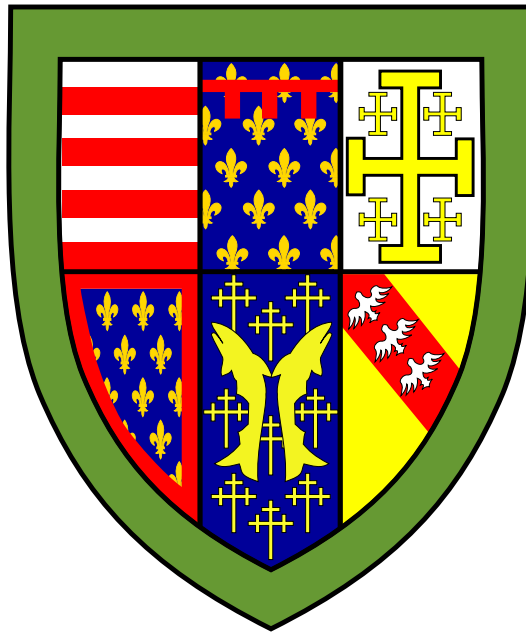


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# Denotational Semantics



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# 1 Domain Theory

## Posets

**Definition 1.0.1. (Partially Ordered Sets)** A *poset* is a pair  $(D, \sqsubseteq)$  where  $\sqsubseteq: D \rightarrow D$  is a *partial order* on the set  $D$ :

$$\frac{}{d \sqsubseteq d} \text{REFL} \qquad \frac{d_1 \sqsubseteq d_2 \quad d_3 \sqsubseteq d_3}{d_1 \sqsubseteq d_3} \text{TRANS} \qquad \frac{d_1 \sqsubseteq d_2 \quad d_2 \sqsubseteq d_1}{d_1 = d_2} \text{ANTISYM}$$

**Definition 1.0.2. (Poset  $X \rightarrow Y$ )** The poset  $X \rightarrow Y$  is defined as:

$$X \rightarrow Y = \text{set of partial functions from } X \text{ to } Y$$

$$f \sqsubseteq g \iff \text{dom } f \subseteq \text{dom } g \wedge (\forall x \in \text{dom } f. f(x) = g(x))$$

**Definition 1.0.3. (Monotonicity)** A function  $f: D \rightarrow E$  between posets  $D, E$  is *monotone* if:

$$\frac{d_1 \sqsubseteq d_2}{f(d_1) \sqsubseteq f(d_2)} \text{MONO}$$

**Definition 1.0.4. (Least Element)** An element  $d \in S \subseteq D$  of the set  $S$  is said to be the *least* if:

$$\forall x \in S. d \sqsubseteq x$$

- By *anti-symmetry* of  $\sqsubseteq$ , least elements are always unique.

**Definition 1.0.5. (Fixed Points)** Let  $f: D \rightarrow D$  be a function in the poset  $D$ :

**Fixed Point** A *fixed point* of  $f$  is an element  $d \in D$  satisfying  $f(d) = d$ .

**Pre-fixed Point** A *pre-fixed point* of  $f$  is an element  $d \in D$  satisfying  $f(d) \sqsubseteq d$ .  
We write  $\text{fix}(f)$  for the *least* pre-fixed point of  $f$ .

**Lemma 1.0.1.** If  $f$  is monotone, then  $\text{fix}(f)$  (if it exists) is a fixed point for  $f$ .

## Domains

**Definition 1.0.6. (Chain)** A chain is an enumerable increasing set of elements  $\langle d_i \rangle_{i \geq 0}$ :

$$d_0 \sqsubseteq d_1 \sqsubseteq d_2 \sqsubseteq \dots,$$

The set of chains for a poset  $D$  is denoted  $\text{Ch}(D)$ .

**Definition 1.0.7. (Least Upper Bound (Lub))** A least upper bound for a chain  $\langle d_i \rangle_{i \geq 0} \in \text{Ch}(D)$  is an element, written  $\bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} d_i$ , satisfying:

$$\frac{}{d_m \sqsubseteq \bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} d_i} \text{LUB1} \qquad \frac{\forall i \in \mathbb{N} \quad d_i \sqsubseteq d}{\bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} d_i \sqsubseteq d} \text{LUB2}$$

**Definition 1.0.8. (Chain-complete Posets (CPO))** A poset  $(D, \sqsubseteq)$  is *chain complete* (a CPO) if for all chains  $\langle d_i \rangle_{i \geq 0} \in \text{Ch}(D)$ , the lub  $\bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} d_i$  exists.

**Lemma 1.0.2. (Properties of Lubs)** Let  $D$  be cpo:

(i)  $\forall d \in D. \bigsqcup d = d$

(ii) For the chain  $\langle d_i \rangle_{i \geq 0} \in \text{Ch}(D)$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :

$$\bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} d_n = \bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} d_{i+n}$$

(iii) For the chains  $\langle d_i \rangle_{i \geq 0}, \langle e_i \rangle_{i \geq 0} \in \text{Ch}(D)$ :

$$\frac{\forall i \geq 0 \quad d_i \sqsubseteq e_i}{\bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} d_i \sqsubseteq \bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} e_i}$$

**Lemma 1.0.3. (Diagonalisation)** Let  $D$  be a cpo. For elements  $d_{ij} \in D$  (for  $i, j \geq 0$ ) satisfying:

$$i_1 \leq i_2 \wedge j_1 \leq j_2 \implies d_{i_1 j_1} \sqsubseteq d_{i_2 j_2},$$

then

$$\bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} \bigsqcup_{j \geq 0} d_{ij} = \bigsqcup_{j \geq 0} \bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} d_{ij} = \bigsqcup_{k \geq 0} d_{kk}$$

**Definition 1.0.9. (Domain)** A *domain* is a cpo  $(D, \sqsubseteq)$  with a least element  $\perp$

**Definition 1.0.10. (Domain  $X \rightarrow Y$ )**

**Lub**  $\bigsqcup f_0 \sqsubseteq f_1 \sqsubseteq f_2 \sqsubseteq \dots$  is partial function  $f$  s.t:

$$\text{dom } f = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \text{dom } f_n$$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} f_n(x) & \text{if } x \in \text{dom } f_n \\ \text{undefined} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

**Least element** Least element  $\perp$  is undefined partial function  $\emptyset$

**Definition 1.0.11. (Continuity and Strictness)** If  $D, E$  are cpos. A function  $f : D \rightarrow E$  is *continuous* iff:

- (i)  $f$  is monotone
- (ii)  $f$  preserves lubs:

$$\forall \langle d_i \rangle_{i \geq 0} \in \text{Ch}(D). f \left( \bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} d_i \right) = \bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} f(d_i)$$

$f$  is *strict* iff  $f(\perp_D) = \perp_E$ .

**Theorem 1.0.1. (Tarski's Fixed Point Theorem)** Let  $f : D \rightarrow D$  be a continuous function on the domain  $D$ :

- (i)  $f$ 's *least pre-fixed point* is  $\text{fix}(f) = \bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} f^i(\perp)$
- (ii)  $\text{fix}(f)$  is the least fixed point

*Proof.* By induction, we have  $f^n(\perp) \sqsubseteq f^{n+1}(\perp)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We note that:

$$\begin{aligned} f(\text{fix}(f)) &= f \left( \bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} f^i(\perp) \right) \\ &= \bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} f(f^i(\perp)) && (f \text{ is cont.}) \\ &= \bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} f^{i+1}(\perp) && (\text{defn. of } f^n) \\ &= \bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} f^i(\perp) && (\text{lemma 1.0.2}) \\ &= \text{fix}(f) \end{aligned}$$

We now show that  $\text{fix}(f)$  is *least*, that is:

$$\forall d \in D. f(d) = d \implies \text{fix}(f) \sqsubseteq d$$

Let  $d \in D$  be arbitrary. Assume  $f(d) = d$ . Sufficient to show that  $\forall i \in \mathbb{N}. f^i(\perp) \sqsubseteq d$ . Proved by *induction* on  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Definition 1.0.12. (Flat Domains)** Let  $D_\perp = D \cup \{\perp\}$ .  $(D_\perp, \sqsubseteq)$  is a *flat domain* where  $\sqsubseteq : D \rightarrow D$  s.t

$$\overline{\perp \sqsubseteq d}^{\text{BOT}} \qquad \overline{d \sqsubseteq d}^{\text{REFL}}$$

**Definition 1.0.13. (Product Domains)** Let  $(D_1, \sqsubseteq_1)$  and  $(D_2, \sqsubseteq_2)$  be two domains.  $(D_1 \times D_2, \sqsubseteq)$  is a domain:

$$\begin{aligned} D_1 \times D_2 &= \{(d_1, d_2) : d_1 \in D_1, d_2 \in D_2\} \\ \frac{d_1 \sqsubseteq d'_1 \quad d_2 \sqsubseteq d'_2}{(d_1, d_2) \sqsubseteq (d'_1, d'_2)} \\ \bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} (d_i^1, d_i^2) &= \left( \bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} d_i^1, \bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} d_i^2 \right) \\ \perp_{1 \times 2} &= (\perp_1, \perp_2) \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 1.0.14. (Function Domains)** Let  $(D_1, \sqsubseteq_1)$  and  $(D_2, \sqsubseteq_2)$  be two domains.  $(D_1 \rightarrow D_2, \sqsubseteq)$  is a domain:

$$D_1 \rightarrow D_2 = \{f \in D_1 \rightarrow D_2 : f \text{ is continuous}\}$$

$$\frac{\forall d \in D_1 \quad f(d) \sqsubseteq_2 g(d)}{f \sqsubseteq g}$$

$$\bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} f_i = \lambda d \in D. \bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} f_i(d)$$

## Scott Induction

**Definition 1.0.15. (Chain-Closed and Admissible Subsets)** Let  $D$  be a cpo.

**Chain-closed** A subset  $S \subseteq D$  is *chain-closed* iff  $\forall \langle d_i \rangle_{i \geq 0} \in \text{Ch}(D)$ :

$$\frac{\forall i \geq 0 \quad d_i \in S}{\bigsqcup_{i \geq 0} d_i \in S}$$

**Admissible**  $S \subseteq D$  is *admissible* iff  $S$  is *chain-closed* and  $\perp \in S$ .

**Theorem 1.0.2. (Scott's Fixed Point Induction)** Let  $D$  be a domain and  $f : D \rightarrow D$  be a continuous function. Let  $S \subseteq D$  be an *admissible subset*:

$$\frac{\forall d \in D \quad d \in S \implies f(d) \in S}{\text{fix}(f) \in S} \text{ SCOTT}$$

*Proof.* Let us assume  $\forall d \in D. d \in S \implies f(d) \in S$ . Since  $S$  is *chain-closed*, sufficient to show that  $\forall i \geq 0. f^i(\perp) \in S$ . Proof by *induction* on  $i \geq 0$ .

## Chain-Closed Combinators

**Definition 1.0.16. (Chain-Closed Primitives)** The chain-closed primitives for the domain  $(D, \sqsubseteq)$  are:

$$\begin{aligned} \sqsubseteq_D &= \{(d_1, d_2) \in D \times D : d_1 \sqsubseteq d_2\} \\ =_D &= \{(d_1, d_2) \in D \times D : d_1 = d_2\} \\ \downarrow d &= \{e \in D : e \sqsubseteq d\} \end{aligned}$$

## Syntax for Chain-Closed Sets

Chain-Closed Sets

$$\begin{aligned} X &::= \sqsubseteq_D \mid =_D \mid \downarrow d \\ &\mid \overleftarrow{f}(X) && f \text{ is continuous} \\ &\mid X \cap X \mid X \cup X \mid \bigcap_{i \in I} X_i \end{aligned}$$

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### Syntax

Types	$\tau ::= \mathbb{N} \mid \mathbb{B} \mid \tau \rightarrow \tau$
Terms	$e ::= 0 \mid \text{succ } e \mid \text{pred } e \mid \text{zero? } e$ $\mid \text{true} \mid \text{false} \mid \text{if } e \text{ then } e \text{ else } e$ $\mid x \mid \lambda x : \tau. e \mid e e \mid \text{fix } e$
Values	$v ::= 0 \mid \text{succ } v \mid \text{true} \mid \text{false} \mid \lambda x : \tau. e$
Contexts	$\Gamma ::= \cdot \mid \Gamma, x : \tau$
Evaluation Contexts	$\mathbb{E} ::= [\cdot] \mid \text{succ } \mathbb{E} \mid \text{pred } \mathbb{E} \mid \text{zero? } \mathbb{E} \mid \text{if } \mathbb{E} \text{ then } e \text{ else } e$ $\mid \mathbb{E} e \mid v \mathbb{E}$

### Typing Rules

$\frac{x : \tau \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash x : \tau} \text{HYP}$	$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \text{zero} : \mathbb{N}} \text{ZERO}$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \mathbb{N}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{succ } e : \mathbb{N}} \text{SUCC}$
$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \mathbb{N}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{zero? } e : \mathbb{B}} \text{ZERO?}$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \mathbb{N}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{pred } e : \mathbb{N}} \text{PRED}$	$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \text{true} : \mathbb{B}} \text{TRUE}$
$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \text{false} : \mathbb{B}} \text{FALSE}$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \mathbb{B}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{if } e_1 \text{ then } e_2 \text{ else } e_3 : \tau} \text{IF}$	$\frac{\Gamma, x : \tau_1 \vdash e : \tau_2}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x : \tau_1. e : \tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2} \text{FN}$
$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2 \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau_1}{\Gamma \vdash e_1 e_2 : \tau_2} \text{APP}$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \tau \rightarrow \tau}{\Gamma \vdash \text{fix } e : \tau} \text{FIX}$	

### Operational Semantics

- $\Lambda_\tau = \{e \in \Lambda : \cdot \vdash e : \tau\}$
- 2 semantics:

**Small-step**  $\cdot \rightsquigarrow_\tau \cdot \subseteq \Lambda_\tau \times \Lambda_\tau$

**Big-step**  $\cdot \Downarrow_\tau \cdot \subseteq \Lambda_\tau \times \text{Val}_\tau$

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{}{v \Downarrow_{\tau} v} \text{VAL} \qquad \frac{e \Downarrow_{\mathbb{N}} v}{\text{succ } e \Downarrow_{\mathbb{N}} \text{succ } v} \text{SUCC} \qquad \frac{e \Downarrow_{\mathbb{N}} \text{succ } v}{\text{pred } e \Downarrow_{\mathbb{N}} v} \text{PRED} \\
\\
\frac{e \Downarrow_{\mathbb{N}} \text{zero}}{\text{zero? } e \Downarrow_{\mathbb{B}} \text{true}} \text{ZERO?}_1 \qquad \frac{e \Downarrow_{\mathbb{N}} \text{succ } v}{\text{zero? } e \Downarrow_{\mathbb{B}} \text{false}} \text{ZERO?}_2 \\
\\
\frac{e_1 \Downarrow_{\mathbb{B}} \text{true} \quad e_2 \Downarrow_{\tau} v}{\text{if } e_1 \text{ then } e_2 \text{ else } e_3 \Downarrow_{\tau} v} \text{IF}_1 \qquad \frac{e_1 \Downarrow_{\mathbb{B}} \text{false} \quad e_3 \Downarrow_{\tau} v}{\text{if } e_1 \text{ then } e_2 \text{ else } e_3 \Downarrow_{\tau} v} \text{IF}_1 \\
\\
\frac{e_1 \Downarrow_{\tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2} \lambda x : \tau_1. e \quad \{e_2/x\}e \Downarrow_{\tau_2} v}{e_1 \ e_2 \Downarrow_{\tau_2} v} \text{FN} \qquad \frac{e (\text{fix } e) \Downarrow_{\tau} v}{\text{fix } e \Downarrow_{\tau} v} \text{FIX} \\
\\
\frac{e \rightsquigarrow_{\tau} e'}{\mathbb{E}[e] \rightsquigarrow_{\tau_{\mathbb{E}}} \mathbb{E}[e']} \text{EVALCTX} \qquad \frac{}{\text{pred}(\text{succ } v) \rightsquigarrow_{\mathbb{N}} v} \text{REDPRED} \\
\\
\frac{}{\text{zero? } \text{zero} \rightsquigarrow_{\mathbb{B}} \text{true}} \text{REDZERO}_1 \qquad \frac{}{\text{zero? } (\text{succ } v) \rightsquigarrow_{\mathbb{B}} \text{false}} \text{REDZERO}_2 \\
\\
\frac{}{\text{if true then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2 \rightsquigarrow_{\tau} e_1} \text{REDIF}_1 \qquad \frac{}{\text{if false then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2 \rightsquigarrow_{\tau} e_2} \text{REDIF}_2 \\
\\
\frac{}{(\lambda x : \tau_1. e) \ e_2 \rightsquigarrow_{\tau_2} \{e_2/x\}e} \text{REDFN} \qquad \frac{}{\text{fix } e \rightsquigarrow_{\tau} e (\text{fix } e)} \text{REDFIX}
\end{array}$$

## Denotational Semantics

$$\boxed{\llbracket \tau \rrbracket \in \text{Domain}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\llbracket \mathbb{N} \rrbracket &= \mathbb{N}_{\perp} \\
\llbracket \mathbb{B} \rrbracket &= \mathbb{B}_{\perp} \\
\llbracket \tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2 \rrbracket &= \llbracket \tau_1 \rrbracket \rightarrow \llbracket \tau_2 \rrbracket
\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket \in \text{Set}}$$

$$\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket = (x \in \text{dom } \Gamma) \rightarrow \llbracket \Gamma(x) \rrbracket.$$

$$\boxed{\llbracket \Gamma \vdash e : \tau \rrbracket \in \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket \rightarrow \llbracket \tau \rrbracket}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\llbracket \Gamma \vdash \text{zero} \rrbracket \rho &= 0 \\
\llbracket \Gamma \vdash \text{false} \rrbracket \rho &= \text{false} \\
\llbracket \Gamma \vdash \text{true} \rrbracket \rho &= \text{true} \\
\llbracket \Gamma \vdash x \rrbracket \rho &= \rho(x) \\
\llbracket \Gamma \vdash \text{succ } e \rrbracket \rho &= \begin{cases} \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e \rrbracket \rho + 1 & \text{if } \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e \rrbracket \rho \neq \perp \\ \perp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\
\llbracket \Gamma \vdash \text{pred } e \rrbracket \rho &= \begin{cases} \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e \rrbracket \rho - 1 & \text{if } \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e \rrbracket \rho > 0 \\ \perp & \text{if } \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e \rrbracket \rho \in \{0, \perp\} \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\llbracket \Gamma \vdash \text{zero? } e \rrbracket \rho &= \begin{cases} \text{true} & \text{if } \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e \rrbracket \rho = 0 \\ \text{false} & \text{if } \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e \rrbracket \rho > 0 \\ \perp & \text{if } \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e \rrbracket \rho = \perp \end{cases} \\
\llbracket \Gamma \vdash \text{if } e_1 \text{ then } e_2 \text{ else } e_3 \rrbracket \rho &= \begin{cases} \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_2 \rrbracket \rho & \text{if } \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_1 \rrbracket \rho = \text{true} \\ \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_3 \rrbracket \rho & \text{if } \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_1 \rrbracket \rho = \text{false} \\ \perp & \text{if } \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_1 \rrbracket \rho = \perp \end{cases} \\
\llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_1 \ e_2 \rrbracket \rho &= (\llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_1 \rrbracket \rho)(\llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_2 \rrbracket \rho) \\
\llbracket \Gamma \vdash \lambda x : \tau_1. e \rrbracket \rho &= \lambda d \in \llbracket \tau_1 \rrbracket. \llbracket \Gamma, x : \tau_1 \vdash e \rrbracket (\rho, x \mapsto d) \\
\llbracket \Gamma \vdash \text{fix } e \rrbracket \rho &= \text{fix}(\llbracket \Gamma \vdash e \rrbracket \rho)
\end{aligned}$$

## Theorems

**Lemma 2.0.1. (Typing Properties)** The following holds for  $\cdot \vdash \cdot : \cdot$ :

**Uniqueness of typing** If  $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau_1$  and  $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau_2$ , then  $\tau_1 = \tau_2$ .

**Substitution** If  $\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau_1$  and  $\Gamma, x : \tau_1 \vdash e_2 : \tau_2$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash \{e_1/x\}e_2 : \tau_2$ .

*Proof.* Proof by *structural induction* on  $e$  and *rule induction* on  $\Gamma, x : \tau_1 \vdash e : \tau_2$ .

**Lemma 2.0.2. (Semantic Properties)** The following holds:

**Soundness and Completeness**  $e \Downarrow_\tau v \iff e \rightsquigarrow_\tau^* v$ .

**Determinacy** If  $e \Downarrow_\tau v_1$  and  $e \Downarrow_\tau v_2$ , then  $v_1 = v_2$ .

*Proof.* Proof by *rule induction* on  $e \Downarrow_\tau v_1$ .

- **Notation:**  $\llbracket e \rrbracket = \llbracket \cdot \vdash e \rrbracket \perp$

**Definition 2.0.1. (Denotational Semantic Properties)** The following holds:

**Continuity**  $\llbracket \Gamma \vdash e \rrbracket \in \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket \rightarrow \llbracket \tau \rrbracket$  is a continuous function in  $\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket \rightarrow \llbracket \tau \rrbracket$ .

**Substitution** If  $\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau_1$  and  $\Gamma, x : \tau_1 \vdash e_2 : \tau_2$ , then

$$\llbracket \Gamma \vdash \{e_1/x\}e_2 \rrbracket \rho = \llbracket \Gamma, x : \tau_1 \vdash e_2 \rrbracket (\rho, x \mapsto \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_1 \rrbracket \rho)$$

**Soundness** If  $e \Downarrow_\tau v$  then  $\llbracket e \rrbracket = \llbracket v \rrbracket$

*Proof.* Proof by *rule induction* on  $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau$ ,  $\Gamma, x : \tau_1 \vdash e_2 : \tau_2$  and  $e \Downarrow_\tau v$ .

## Adequacy

**Definition 2.0.2. (Denotational Approximation)** The binary relation  $\cdot \triangleleft_\tau \cdot \subseteq \llbracket \tau \rrbracket \times \Lambda_\tau$  is defined as:

$$d \triangleleft_\mathbb{N} e \iff d \in \mathbb{N} \implies e \Downarrow_\mathbb{N} \text{succ}^d \text{zero}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
d \triangleleft_{\mathbb{B}} e &\iff \begin{cases} d = \text{true} &\implies e \Downarrow_{\mathbb{B}} \text{true} \\ d = \text{false} &\implies e \Downarrow_{\mathbb{B}} \text{false} \end{cases} \\
d_1 \triangleleft_{\tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2} e_1 &\iff \forall d_2 \in \llbracket \tau_1 \rrbracket, e_2 \in \Lambda_{\tau_1}. d_2 \triangleleft_{\tau_1} e_2 \implies d_1(d_2) \triangleleft_{\tau_2} e_1 e_2
\end{aligned}$$

The contextual extensions for  $\Gamma$ , where  $\rho \in \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket$  and  $\theta$  is a  $\Gamma$ -substitution:

$$\rho \triangleleft_{\Gamma} \theta \iff \forall x \in \text{dom } \Gamma. \rho(x) \triangleleft_{\Gamma(x)} \theta(x)$$

**Lemma 2.0.3.**

- (i)  $\perp \triangleleft_{\tau} e$  for all  $e \in \Lambda_{\tau}$
- (ii)  $\{d \in \llbracket \tau \rrbracket : d \triangleleft_{\tau} e\}$  is a chain-closed subset.
- (iii) If  $d_2 \sqsubseteq d_1$  and  $d_2 \triangleleft_{\tau} e_1$  and  $\forall v \in \text{Val}_{\tau}. e_1 \Downarrow_{\tau} v \implies e_2 \Downarrow_{\tau} v$ , then  $d_2 \triangleleft_{\tau} e_2$ .

*Proof.* Proof by *structural induction* on  $\tau$ .

**Theorem 2.0.1. (Fundamental Property)** If  $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau$ , then for all  $\rho \in \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket$  and  $\theta \in \text{Subst}(\Gamma)$ :

$$\rho \triangleleft_{\Gamma} \theta \implies \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e \rrbracket \rho \triangleleft_{\tau} \theta(e)$$

*Proof.* Proof by *rule induction* on  $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau$ .

**Theorem 2.0.2. (Adequacy)** For types  $\tau \in \{\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{B}\}$ ,

$$\llbracket e \rrbracket = \llbracket v \rrbracket \in \llbracket \tau \rrbracket \implies e \Downarrow_{\tau} v$$

*Proof.* By fundamental property, we have  $\llbracket e \rrbracket \triangleleft_{\tau} e$  (for  $\Gamma = \cdot, \rho = \perp, \theta = \emptyset$ ). Cases on  $\tau$ :

- $\tau = \mathbb{N}$ . We have  $v = \text{succ}^n \text{zero}$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , thus:

$$\begin{aligned}
\llbracket e \rrbracket &= \llbracket \text{succ}^n \text{zero} \rrbracket = n \\
&\implies n = \llbracket e \rrbracket \triangleright_{\tau} e && \text{(fund. prop)} \\
&\implies e \Downarrow_{\mathbb{N}} \text{succ}^n \text{zero} && \text{(defn. of } \triangleleft_{\mathbb{N}} \text{)}
\end{aligned}$$

- $\tau = \mathbb{B}$ . Similar

## Contextual Equivalence

Contexts  $\mathcal{C} ::= [\cdot] \mid \text{zero} \mid \text{succ } \mathcal{C} \mid \text{zero? } \mathcal{C} \mid \text{true} \mid \text{false} \mid \text{if } \mathcal{C} \text{ then } \mathcal{C} \text{ else } \mathcal{C} \mid x \mid \lambda x : \tau_1. \mathcal{C} \mid \mathcal{C} \mathcal{C} \mid \text{fix } \mathcal{C}$

**Definition 2.0.3. (Contextual Equivalence)** For  $e_1, e_2 \in \Lambda, \tau \in \text{Type}, \Gamma \in \text{Ctx}$ ,  $e_1, e_2$  are contextually equivalent  $\Gamma \vdash e_1 \cong e_2 : \tau$  iff

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau \wedge \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau \\
&\wedge (\forall \mathcal{C}, \gamma \in \{\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{B}\}, v \in \text{Val}_{\tau}. \mathcal{C}[e_1] \Downarrow_{\gamma} v \iff \mathcal{C}[e_2] \Downarrow_{\gamma} v)
\end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.0.3. (Compositionality)** If  $\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau, \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau$  and  $\Gamma' \vdash \mathcal{C}[e_1] : \tau', \Gamma' \vdash \mathcal{C}[e_2] : \tau'$  and  $\llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_1 \rrbracket = \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_2 \rrbracket$ , then

$$\llbracket \Gamma' \vdash \mathcal{C}[e_1] \rrbracket = \llbracket \Gamma' \vdash \mathcal{C}[e_2] \rrbracket$$

*Proof.* Proof by *structural induction* on  $\mathcal{C}$ .

- **Useful Lemma:**  $\llbracket e_1 \rrbracket = \llbracket e_2 \rrbracket \implies \llbracket \mathcal{C}[e_1] \rrbracket = \llbracket \mathcal{C}[e_2] \rrbracket$

**Theorem 2.0.4. (Coincidence Theorem)** For all  $\Gamma \in \text{Ctx}, e_1, e_2 \in \Lambda, \tau \in \text{Type}$ ,

$$\llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_1 \rrbracket = \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_2 \rrbracket \in \llbracket \tau \rrbracket \implies \Gamma \vdash e_1 \cong e_2 : \tau$$

*Proof.* Cases on  $\gamma$  (in  $\Gamma \vdash e_1 \cong e_2 : \tau$ ) using soundness, compositionality and adequacy.

**Definition 2.0.4. (Contextual Preorder)** For  $e_1, e_2 \in \Lambda, \tau \in \text{Type}, \Gamma \in \text{Ctx}$ ,  $e_2$  contextually extends  $e_1$   $\Gamma \vdash e_1 \leq e_2 : \tau$  iff

$$\begin{aligned} &\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau \wedge \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau \\ &\wedge (\forall \mathcal{C}, \gamma \in \{\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{B}\}, v \in \text{Val}_\tau. \mathcal{C}[e_1] \Downarrow_\gamma v \implies \mathcal{C}[e_2] \Downarrow_\gamma v) \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.0.5.** For all  $e_1, e_2 \in \Lambda_\tau$ ,

$$e_1 \leq e_2 : \tau \iff \llbracket e_1 \rrbracket \triangleleft_\tau e_2$$

*Proof.*

( $\implies$ ) Proof by fundamental property and  $e_1 \leq e_2 : \tau \iff \forall e \in \Lambda_{\tau \rightarrow \mathbb{B}}. e \ e_1 \Downarrow_{\mathbb{B}} \text{true} \implies e \ e_2 \Downarrow_{\mathbb{B}} \text{true}$ .

( $\impliedby$ ) Proof by fundamental property and  $e_1 \leq e_2 : \tau \wedge d \triangleleft_\tau e_1 \implies d \triangleleft_\tau e_2$  (proved by *structural induction* on  $\tau$ ).

## Full Abstraction

- **Problem:** Coincidence theorem is not bi-directional, this does not hold:

$$e_1 \cong e_2 : \tau \not\Rightarrow \llbracket e_1 \rrbracket = \llbracket e_2 \rrbracket$$

**Definition 2.0.5. (Fully Abstract)** A denotational model is *fully abstract* when

$$\Gamma \vdash e_1 \cong e_2 : \tau \iff \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_1 \rrbracket = \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_2 \rrbracket \in \llbracket \tau \rrbracket$$

**Theorem 2.0.6.** PCF is **not fully abstract**.

*Proof.* Construct terms  $e_1, e_2 \in \Lambda$  s.t  $\llbracket e_1 \rrbracket \neq \llbracket e_2 \rrbracket$  and  $e_1 \cong e_2 : \tau$ .

Note  $e_1 \cong e_2 : \tau$  is vacuously true if  $\forall e \in \Lambda. e_1 \ e \not\Downarrow \wedge e_2 \ e \not\Downarrow$ . Thus it suffices to construct terms s.t  $\llbracket e_1 \rrbracket f \neq \llbracket e_2 \rrbracket f$  for some  $f \in \llbracket \tau_1 \rrbracket$  and  $e_1, e_2 \in \Lambda_{\tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2}$ .

**Definition 2.0.6. (Parallel-or)**  $por : \mathbb{B}_\perp \rightarrow \mathbb{B}_\perp \rightarrow \mathbb{B}_\perp$  is the function defined by:

$por$	$true$	$false$	$\perp$
$true$	$true$	$true$	$true$
$false$	$true$	$false$	$\perp$
$\perp$	$true$	$\perp$	$\perp$

**Lemma 2.0.4. (Undefinability of por)** There is no term  $e \in \Lambda$  s.t.  $\llbracket e \rrbracket = por$ .

*Proof.* Assume exists  $e$  s.t.  $\llbracket e \rrbracket = por$ . Note that by semantics of  $por$ ,  $\llbracket e \text{ true } \Omega \rrbracket = true$ , however,  $\llbracket e \Omega \rrbracket = \perp$  for all function terms  $e$ . A contradiction!

- $por$  can be used to prove Theorem 2.0.6. Construct 2 terms  $e_1, e_2$  :

$$e_i = \lambda f : \mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}. \\ \text{if } (f \text{ true } \Omega) \text{ then} \\ \quad \text{if } (f \Omega \text{ true}) \text{ then} \\ \quad \quad \text{if } (f \text{ false false}) \text{ then } \Omega \text{ else } b_i \\ \quad \text{else } \Omega \\ \text{else } \Omega$$

where  $b_1 = true$ ,  $b_2 = false$  and  $\Omega = \text{fix } (\lambda x : \mathbb{B}.x)$ .

**Meaning:**  $e_i$  evaluates to  $b_i$  if  $f$  is  $por$ , otherwise returns  $\Omega$ .

We have  $\llbracket e_1 \rrbracket (por) \neq \llbracket e_2 \rrbracket (por)$  and  $e_1, e_2$  are vacuously contextually equivalent since  $e_1, e_2$  terminates iff  $\llbracket f \rrbracket = por$  (which cannot hold since  $por$  is not definable in PCF).

## PCF + por

Terms  $e ::= \dots \mid por(e, e)$

$$\boxed{\Gamma \vdash e : \tau}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \mathbb{B} \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \mathbb{B}}{\Gamma \vdash por(e_1, e_2) : \mathbb{B}} \text{POR}$$

$$\boxed{e \Downarrow_\tau v}$$

$$\frac{e_1 \Downarrow_{\mathbb{B}} true}{por(e_1, e_2) \Downarrow_{\mathbb{B}} true} \text{POR}_1 \qquad \frac{e_2 \Downarrow_{\mathbb{B}} true}{por(e_1, e_2) \Downarrow_{\mathbb{B}} true} \text{POR}_2$$

$$\frac{e_1 \Downarrow_{\mathbb{B}} false \quad e_2 \Downarrow_{\mathbb{B}} false}{por(e_1, e_2) \Downarrow_{\mathbb{B}} false} \text{POR}_3$$

$$\llbracket \Gamma \vdash e : \tau \rrbracket \in \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket \rightarrow \llbracket \tau \rrbracket$$

$$\llbracket \Gamma \vdash por(e_1, e_2) \rrbracket \rho = por(\llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_1 \rrbracket \rho, \llbracket \Gamma \vdash e_2 \rrbracket \rho)$$

**Theorem 2.0.7.** PCF + por is fully abstract