Unstable-Funcons-beta: Postponing *

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[ Entity postponing
Funcon postpone
Funcon postpone-after-effect
Funcon after-effect ]
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A funcon term can extend itself (e.g., with code to release the resources allocated to it) using general funcons for postponed execution. When a step from X to X' executes postpone(Y) (which computes null), the corresponding step of postpone-after-effect(X) gives postpone-after-effect(after-effect(X', Y)), so that normal termination of X' is followed by the effect of Y.

The control entity postponing(A) signals that the execution of the body of the abstraction A is postponed:

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Entity \_ \xrightarrow{\text{postponing}(::(abstractions(<math>\Rightarrow \text{null-type}))?)}
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The funcon postpone(X) forms a closure from X and signals that its execution is postponed:

The funcon postpone-after-effect(X) handles each signal postponing(A) by adding it as an after-effect of X:

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Reports of issues: https://github.com/plancomps/CBS-beta/issues.

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Funcon postpone-after-effect(_{-}: \Rightarrow T): \Rightarrow T

X \xrightarrow{postponing()} X'
X'
postpone-after-effect(X) \xrightarrow{postponing()} Y'
X \xrightarrow{postponing(A)} X'
A \xrightarrow{postponing(A)} X'
A \xrightarrow{postponing(A)} X'
postpone-after-effect(X) \xrightarrow{postponing()} Y'
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The funcon after-effect(X, Y) first executes X. If X computes a value V, it then executes Y, and computes V:

Funcon after-effect(
$$X : \Rightarrow T, Y : \Rightarrow \text{null-type}$$
): $\Rightarrow T$
 $\Rightarrow \text{give}(X, \text{sequential}(Y, \text{given}))$