

# CHAPTER 1

Whereas denotation was modelled at a very early stage, sense has been pushed towards subjectivism, with the result that the present mathematical treatment of sense is more or less reduced to syntactic manipulation. This is not *a priori* in the essence of the subject, and we can expect in the next decades to find a treatment of computation that would combine the advantages of denotational semantics (mathematical clarity) with those of syntax (finite dynamics). This book clearly rests on a tradition that is based on this unfortunate current state of affairs: in the dichotomy between infinite, static denotation and finite, dynamic sense, the denotational side is much more developed than the other.

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So he sees the manipulation of sense as a finite cmp process.

And sense now is reduced to syntax.

Why?

My guess is that model theory allows you to take several different "senses" (models) and as long as they satisfy properties you can just go ahead & pretend its the same.

the famous theorem of Gentzen of 1934 shows that

logic possesses some profound symmetries at the syntactical level (expressed by cut-elimination)

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Once again, this definition is ludicrous from the point of view of logic, but ? entirely adequate for its purpose. The development of Model Theory shows this.

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Dahliels interpretation:  
Hes talking about how despite syntactic differences two proofs can be "essentially" the same

## Sense Denotation & Semantics:

$$27 \times 37 = 999$$

The two sides have the same referent but different senses. See Frege.

Emphasising the dichotomy

- Sense
- Syntax
- proof
- Denotation
- Truth
- Semantics
- Algebraic operations

If the sense is a facts manner of presentation we can see why it is related to syntax (valid ways of presenting) & proof (manipulations from one presentation to another).

### Denotational / Algebraic Tradition:

- Disregard all sense
- Leads to model theory

### Syntactic Tradition:

The tangible aspect of sense is the Syntax. How something is written on the page.

Girard claims the symmetries of the senses of logic are obscured by this limitation.

"We are always in search of an operational distinction between sense & Syntax".

### Semantic Traditions:

Tarski: Only interested in the denotation of a sentence as true or false (T, F).

Heyting: Model the proofs not just the denotation. Asks not when is A true but what is a proof of A.

Girard views proofs not as a transcript (syntax) but as an "inherent object", something already a process.

The Heyting semantics interprets logical operations by their constructions.

## Tarski semantics

Nor has it foundational prospects, since it founders on the need to give an explanation of something more primitive, which moreover itself needs its own foundation. The tradition of Heyting is original, but fundamentally has the same problems — Gödel's incompleteness theorem assures us, by the way, that it could not be otherwise. If we wish to explain A by the use of B, we must first explain B. This is why the traditional definition of proof uses quantifiers twice (for  $\wedge$  and  $\vee$ ). Moreover in the  $\Rightarrow$  case, one cannot say that the domain of definition of  $\Rightarrow$  is particularly well understood!

Since the  $\wedge$  and  $\vee$  cases were problematic (from an absurd foundational point of view), it has been proposed to add to clauses 4 and 6 the codicil "together with the rule of  $\neg\neg$ -elimination". This would then give us the four rules of the system. Byzantine discussions about the meaning which would have to be given to this codicil — discussions without the least mathematical content — only serve to discredit an idea which, we repeat, is one of the cornerstones of Logic.

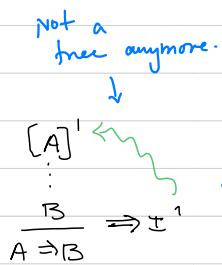
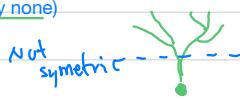
These constructions are typed programs!  
(Think Curry-Howard proof as program).

# CHAPTER 2

Natural deduction is a slightly paradoxical system; it is limited to the intuitionistic case (in the classical case it has no particularly good properties) but it is only satisfactory for the  $(\wedge, \Rightarrow, \vee)$  fragment of the language: we shall defer consideration of  $\vee$  and  $\exists$  until chapter 10. Yet disjunction and existence are the two most typically intuitionistic connectives!

## Setup:

The basic idea of natural deduction is an asymmetric proof is a vaguely tree-like structure (this view is more a graphical illusion than a mathematical reality, but it is a pleasant illusion) with one or more hypotheses (possibly none) but a single conclusion.



### Natural Deduction:

Natural deduction is a proof system that presents proofs as trees.

The tree structure has none or more hypothesis and a single conclusion. This allows us to uniquely determine what the last rule used was (always).

We denote a deduction of  $A$  by

$\vdash$

A proof/deduction will be a finite tree with leaves being sentences. Sentences can be dead (discharged) or alive.

Alive sentences at the leaves will be termed hypotheses.

We discharge hypotheses by using the rules of the calculus, once discharged they no longer play a part in the deduction.

It's critical to know when a hypothesis was discharged, and so we link the use of rules that discharge with the hypotheses, this however destroys the tree structure in all but graphical representation.

Natural deduction has the following rules

- Hypothesis: i.e. from hypotheses  $A$  we have a deduction of  $A$ .

$$\frac{A \quad B}{A \wedge B} \wedge I$$

From a deduction of  $A$  and a deduction of  $B$  we have a deduction of  $A \wedge B$ .

What kind of objects does natural deduction operate on? What is A ..

I guess its the usual set -  
 $\Delta = V \cup \Sigma \cup V_1 \cup V_2 \cup \dots$

Run

$$B, A = :: x | A | A \Rightarrow B | A \wedge B | \dots$$

Is it just a formalism  
for expressing propositional  
logic proofs.

Natural deduction is just propositional logic (intuitionistic)

## Computational Interpretation:

This is just a conceptual framework or actually a specific semantics for a specific system? ↗ if see which

In contrast with a set? ←  
I think he's kind of talking  
about tuples of sets ✓

## Notes on Nat' Deduction:

- $$\frac{[A]}{\frac{B}{A \Rightarrow B} \Rightarrow I}$$
  - $$\frac{A}{A \wedge B} \wedge 1E$$
  - $$\frac{A \wedge B}{B} \wedge 2E$$
  - $$\frac{A \quad A \Rightarrow B}{B} \Rightarrow E$$
  - $$\frac{\forall \xi - A}{A[a/\xi]} \forall E$$

Applying Heyting's semantics after fixing an interpretation of the atoms & the quantifiers, we can think of  $A$  as a set, whose elements are all possible deductions of  $A$ .

Then a deduction<sup>1</sup> of  $A$  from  $B_1, \dots, B_n$   
can be considered a function  $t(x_1, \dots, x_n)$   
such that  $t(b_1, \dots, b_n) \in A$

We work with parcels of hypotheses;  
 $B_i$  may appear several times amongst the hypotheses & two occurrences of  $B_i$  in the same parcel will correspond to the same variable.

7. When given a proof with multiple of the same hypothesis we can choose to discharge one or more of them. There is some logical content here:

[https://youtu.be/fpIXJ\\_X4XDM](https://youtu.be/fpIXJ_X4XDM)

2. If we use  $\wedge I$  to get a deduction from  $u(x_1, \dots, x_n) \neq v(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  then we can label this deduction the pair  $\langle u(x_1, \dots, x_n), v(x_1, \dots, x_n) \rangle$

3.  $\Lambda E$  takes  $\Pi_1(t(x_1, \dots, x_n))$  where  
 $t(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  was the sub deduction  $\Lambda E$   
 was applied to.  $\Lambda 2E$  is  $\Pi_2(t(x_1, \dots, x_n))$

Although this is not very formal, it will be

necessary to consider the

fundamental equations:

$\pi_1hu, vi = u \pi_2hu, vi = v \text{ if } i = 1, \pi_2ti = t$

These equations (and the similar ones we shall have occasion to write down) are the essence of the correspondence between logic and computer science

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4. we associate to a discharge (from  $\Rightarrow I$ ) a binding in the  $\lambda$ -cale.

The rules of Natural deduction lead to a notion that two proofs are the same

$$\vdots \quad \vdots \\ A \quad B \\ \hline A \wedge B \\ \text{Detour}$$

Girard claims,  
is somehow  
the same  
as

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# CHAPTER 3

Look up:  
Scott's Semantics

## The Curry-Howard Isomorphism:

Girard now establishes the  $\lambda$ -calc as a formal system to capture:

- "The functional objects behind the proof"
- The equations written above

We can interpret typed  $\lambda$  terms in two ways

- Sense: Rewrite Rules
- Referent: Equations defining equality

Types: Formulas (propositions) become types ( $\lambda$ -calc)

$$U, V ::= T, I \dots | T_n | U \rightarrow V | U \times V$$

Atomic types       $\Rightarrow$        $\wedge$

Terms: Proofs become  $\lambda$  terms with type the proposition that they prove.

Axioms of typing:

selecting variable names, not capturing what else.

Issues of binding variables & substitution can be solved to ensure a well defined system so we assume we have fixed such a system. (The details of which are tedious & unhelpful).

- Variables  $x^T_1, \dots, x^T_n, \dots$  are type  $T$
- $u$  type  $U$  &  $v$  type  $V$  gives that  $\langle u, v \rangle$  is type  $U \times V$ .
- $t$  type  $U \times V$  gives  $\pi_i(t)$  type  $U$  &  $\pi_{i+1}(t)$  type  $V$ .
- $v$  type  $V$  &  $x^V_n$  type  $U$  then  $\lambda x^V_n. v$  type  $U \rightarrow V$
- $t$  type  $U \rightarrow V$ ,  $u$  type  $U$  then  $tu$  type  $V$ .

Interpretation of Referent: Types give the KIND of object under consideration.

If  $x$  has type:

- $U \rightarrow V$   $x$  is a function from  $U \rightarrow V$
- $U \times V$   $x$  is an ordered pair

The meaning of atomic variables is not important.

We can interpret the terms of the  $\lambda$ -calc as

- $\langle u, v \rangle$  an ordered pair
- $\pi_i t$  the  $i^{th}$  projection
- $\lambda x^V_n. v$  is the function which associates to any  $u$  of type  $V$  the formula  $v[u/x]$
- $tu$  is applying function  $t$  to  $u$ .

Check with other text.  
Are these axioms or what?

This interpretation can be summarised in the following equations

$$\begin{array}{ll} \bullet \Pi_1(u, v) = u & \bullet \Pi_2(u, v) = v \\ \bullet (\lambda x^v. v) u = v[u/x] & \\ \bullet (\Pi_1(t), \Pi_2(t)) = t & \bullet \lambda x^v. t x = t \end{array}$$

Decidable:

T. These equations give a consistent & decidable system

[Proof: Not Given]

Interpretation of Sense:

Terms are programs; They calculate the denotation - The type of a program can be seen as what the program abstractly does.

We can think of the equations above as rewrite rules.

Conversion:

A term  $t$  converts to  $t'$ , if one of the following holds:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \bullet t = \Pi_1(u, v) & \bullet t = \Pi_2(u, v) & \bullet t = (\lambda x^v. v) u \\ t' = u & t' = v & t' = v[u/x] \end{array}$$

When  $t \xrightarrow{\text{convert}} t'$   $t$  is the reduced &  $t'$  the contractum.

$t$  is normal if it has no subterms of the following forms:

$$\bullet \Pi_1(u, v) \quad \bullet \Pi_2(u, v) \quad \bullet (\lambda x^v. v) u$$

$u \rightsquigarrow v$  when there is a sequence  $u = t_0, \dots, t_n = v$  such that for each  $i$   $t_i$  is a redex &  $t_{i+1}$  the contractum.  $\rightsquigarrow$  pronounced "reduces". This is a reflexive & transitive relation.

A normal form  $n$  of  $t$  is a term such that  $t \rightsquigarrow n$  &  $n$  is normal.

Are there any conditions  
on  $y$ ?

**T.** A term  $t$  is normal iff it is in head normal form

$$x_1 \dots x_n \cdot y u_1 \dots u_m$$

where the  $u_i$  are in normal form.

**PROOF:**

( $\Leftarrow$ ) is immediate

( $\Rightarrow$ )  $t$  in normal form. Induct on # of subterms in  $t$ .  
Therefore it must be a

- Variable : Trivially in HNF

- An abstraction : Trivially in HNF

- An application :  $t = uv$  where  $u$  is a normal term (not an abstraction by  $t$ 's normality) &  $v$  is a variable.

Then applying induction hypothesis  $u$  is in HNF  
 $\Rightarrow t = uv$  is in HNF.

I think  $v$  is a variable  
but why can't it be  
another normal  $\lambda$  term.

i.e. Why can we always  
break a normal term into

N-term - variable

I don't follow

It follows from this that if the free variables in  $t$  have strictly simpler type than  $t$  then  $t$  is an abstraction.

A  $\lambda$  term is closed if it has no free variables. So in particular all closed terms are abstractions.

The isomorphism:

We give an explicit translation of natural deduction  $\vdash$  to  $\lambda$  terms.

1. To the deduction  $A$  ( $A$  in parcel  $i$ ) corresponds the variable  $x_i^A$ .

2. To the deduction  $\frac{\vdots}{\frac{A \quad B}{A \wedge B} \wedge I}$  corresponds  $\langle u, v \rangle$  where  $u$  and  $v$  correspond to the deductions of  $A$  and  $B$ .

3. To the deduction  $\frac{\vdots}{\frac{A \wedge B}{A} \wedge 1E}$  (respectively  $\frac{\vdots}{\frac{B}{A \wedge B} \wedge 2E}$ ) corresponds  $\pi^1 t$  (respectively  $\pi^2 t$ ), where  $t$  corresponds to the deduction of  $A \wedge B$ .

4. To the deduction  $\frac{\vdots}{\frac{B}{\frac{A \Rightarrow B}{A \Rightarrow B} \Rightarrow I}}$  corresponds  $\lambda x_i^A. v$ , if the deleted hypotheses from parcel  $i$ , and  $v$  corresponds to the deduction of  $B$ .

5. To the deduction  $\frac{\vdots}{\frac{A \quad A \Rightarrow B}{\frac{B}{A \Rightarrow B} \Rightarrow E}}$  corresponds the term  $t u$ , where  $t$  and  $u$  correspond to the deductions of  $A \Rightarrow B$  and  $B$ .

This translation defines only a bijection. We have talked about conversion & normal forms for  $\lambda$ -calc terms; There is an analogous notion for natural deduction & it is this structure that is preserved under the bijection, giving it the further title of an isomorphism.

A justification to the philosophical outlook.

This isomorphism is relevant to Girard because:

- Tells us that all constructive logic must have an operational side.
- One cannot work with typed calculi without considering the symmetries of logic.

If one attempts to "improve" typing rules without considering the logical implication they will fail.

I get the idea but  
is there something concrete  
he's talking about.

- What improvement
- What broke
  - logically
  - operationally.

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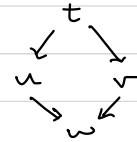
## The Normalisation Theorems:

The two results here will guarantee that a unique normal form always exists for simply typed  $\lambda$ -terms.

This means it is computationally very well behaved.

Church-Rosser:

If  $t \rightsquigarrow u, v$  then  
there exists a  $w$   
 $u, v \rightsquigarrow w$



This implies normal forms are unique immediately.  
(because they reduce only to themselves)

Note this is a statement independent of existence of normal forms & can be made sense of even in untyped calculi.

[ Proof: Not Given ]

Consistency:

CR shows consistency of  $\lambda$ -calc.

Consistency in logic means that the system implies no contradiction. Here we take it to mean that if is not the case that  $u = v$  is deducible for all  $u \neq v$  of the same type.

Not deducible in particular from our set of equations (3.2).

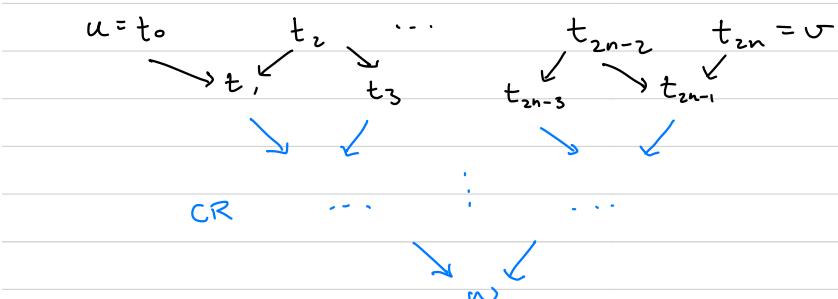
A lemma before the proof

Lemma:  $u = v$  is derivable  $\Rightarrow \exists w \quad u, v \rightsquigarrow w$

[ Proof ]

$u = v$  derivable  $\Rightarrow \exists u = t_1, \dots, t_{2n} = v$  (an even length sequence of reductions) such that for  $i = 0, \dots, n-1$   
 $t_{2i}, t_{2i+2} \rightsquigarrow t_{2i+1}$

Then apply CR repeatedly to get the  $w$



In particular

$u = v \Leftrightarrow u \rightsquigarrow v$  or  $v \rightsquigarrow u$

so  $u = v \Rightarrow \exists u = j_0, \dots, j_m = v$   
(assume wlog  $u \rightsquigarrow v$ )

a sequence of reductions

Then the sequence

$j_0, j_1, j_1, j_2, j_2, \dots, j_m, j_m$   
satisfies the conditions.

Proof (of consistency):  
 Using the contrapositive of the lemma;  
 if  $u \neq v$  are distinct normal forms no  
 $w$  can exist such that  $u, v \rightsquigarrow w$   
 and thus  $u \neq v$ .

If our calculus is built from more than one variable.

Weak Normalisation:

Does SN follow immediately from CR + WN?

↴ No.  
 WN tells us some path would exist → But not a curing path



Strong Normalisation:

A term is strongly normalising if no sequence of reductions is infinite.

T. Every  $\lambda$ -term is strongly normalisable.

Proof: Delayed

To prove them we need some machinery.

Degree:

The degree of a type  $T$ , denoted  $\delta(T)$  is

$$\cdot \delta(T_i) = 1 \quad T_i \text{ atomic}$$

$$\cdot \delta(V \rightarrow V) = \delta(V \times V) = \max(\delta(V), \delta(V)) + 1$$

The degree of a redex (term before conversion) is

$$\cdot \delta(\pi_i(u, v)) = \delta(V \times V) \quad \text{for } \langle u, v \rangle \text{ type } V \times V$$

$$\cdot \delta((\lambda x. v)(u)) = \delta(V \rightarrow V) \quad \text{for } \lambda x. v \text{ type } V \rightarrow V$$

The degree of a term is the sup over its redex degrees:

$$d(t) = \sup \{\delta(r) : r \text{ a redex in } t\}$$

We define  $\delta(n)$  of a normal term to be 0.

A redex is a term too so it makes sense to look at  $\delta(r)$  &  $d(r)$ . It's clear that  $\delta(r) \leq d(r)$

Lemma:  $x$  type  $V \Rightarrow d(t[u/x]) \leq \max(d(t), \delta(u), \delta(V))$

[Proof: Consider the possible terms in  $t[u/x]$  (because  $d$  takes the sup we need to show that all the elements are less)]

- redexes of  $t$  (represented by  $d(t)$ )
- redexes of  $u$  (represented by  $\delta(u)$ )
- New redexes

We can have new redexes by

- $\pi_i x \notin u = \langle u_1, u_2 \rangle$
- $x V \notin u = \lambda y. u,$

But all these new redexes have degree  $\delta(V)$ .

pg 26. Isnt it  $\rightarrow r$  a redex type  $T$  then  $\delta(r) > d(t)$   
equal by def?

mma:  $t \rightsquigarrow u \Rightarrow d(t) \geq d(u)$

[Proof: Consider only one step conversions:  $t \rightsquigarrow u$  by replacing  $r$  in  $t$  by  $c$ .

Then only the following can happen

- Redexes in  $t$  but not in  $r$  are reduced by replacing  $r$  with  $c$ .

↳ not clear same book.

maximal degree?  
Just assuming  $d(r) \in n$

Lemma:  $r$  a redex of maximal degree  $n$  in  $t$ , further assume all redexes in  $r$  have a degree less than  $n$ .

If  $u$  is obtained from  $t$  by converting  $r$  to  $c$ ,  $u$  has strictly fewer redex of degree  $n$ .

[Proof]

# CHAPTER

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From an algorithmic viewpoint, the sequent calculus has no Curry-Howard isomorphism, because of the multitude of ways of writing the same proof.

↳ Natural deduction also has multiple ways to write the same proof.

Is the point that Curry-Howard is just not present, forward to

## Segment Calculus:

SC is not limited to the intuitionistic case.

A **sequent** is something of form  $\underline{A} \vdash \underline{B}$  where  $\underline{A}$  is a finite sequence of formulae  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  (same for  $\underline{B}$ ).

### An interpretation:

This is the interpretation it was created to have by Gentzen (to talk about Nat D).

### The Rules:

Girard claims that:

• These rules determine the behavior of the logical operations

• What do these rules operationally

• They can be restricted to give linear logic.

Assuming that there is an issue to Nat Ded is it these rules that make it so?

On what does Nat D have an issue for VINTED 2 if we remove its structural rules.

One CAN think of this system as representing  $A, \wedge \dots \wedge A_n \Rightarrow B, \vee \dots \vee B_m$ . The  $\underline{A}$  (conjunction) implies  $\underline{B}$  (disjunction). One could then interpret

- $\vdash \underline{B}$  as just asserting  $B, \vee \dots \vee B_m$
- $\underline{A} \vdash$  as asserting  $\neg(A, \wedge \dots \wedge A_n)$
- $\not\vdash \emptyset$  asserts a contradiction

• Exchange (conjunction/disjunction are commutative)

$$\frac{A, B, C, \underline{D} \vdash E}{A, C, B, \underline{D} \vdash E} \text{ Lx} \quad \frac{A \vdash \underline{B}, C, D, E}{A \vdash \underline{B}, D, C, E} \text{ Rx}$$

• Weakening

$$\frac{\underline{A} \vdash B}{A, C \vdash B} \text{ Lw}$$

$$\frac{\underline{A} \vdash B}{\underline{A} \vdash B, C} \text{ Rw}$$

• Contraction

$$\frac{\underline{A}, C, C \vdash \underline{B}}{\underline{A}, C \vdash B} \text{ Lc} \quad \frac{\underline{A} \vdash C, C, \underline{B}}{\underline{A} \vdash C, \underline{B}} \text{ Rc}$$

### Intuitionistic SC:

We achieve this by restricting to the case of sequents of the form  $\underline{A} \vdash \underline{B}$  where  $\underline{B}$  is at most one formula.

It will be noticed that in this case the only right hand structural rule is RW.

It is also possible to get intuitionistic SC by restricting to intuitionistic sequents.

• For every formula we have the axiom  $C \vdash C$

• Somehow due to this is the cut axiom

### Logical Rules:

Read Gentzen's paper.  
Where does SC end & SC as a tool for specifically prop logic begin? Does he distinguish?  
G means you can use it as a prop system for other things so...

Note that  $\underline{A} = A_1, \dots, A_n$   
but  $C$  is a single word.

$$\frac{\underline{A} \vdash C, \underline{B} \quad \underline{A}', C \vdash \underline{B}}{\underline{A}, \underline{A}' \vdash \underline{B}} \text{cut}$$

Kind of a response

from Girard:

one can amuse oneself by inventing one's own  
logical operations, but they have to  
respect the left/right symmetry, otherwise  
one creates a logical atrocity without  
interest.

Note that it can be shown that the  
cut rules can be totally removed.

1. *Negation*: the rules for negation allow us to pass from the right hand side of “ $\vdash$ ” to the left, and conversely:

$$\frac{\underline{A} \vdash C, \underline{B}}{\underline{A}, \neg C \vdash \underline{B}} \mathcal{L}\neg \quad \frac{\underline{A}, C \vdash \underline{B}}{\underline{A} \vdash \neg C, \underline{B}} \mathcal{R}\neg$$

2. *Conjunction*: on the left, two unary rules; on the right, one binary rule:

$$\frac{\underline{A}, C \vdash \underline{B}}{\underline{A}, C \wedge D \vdash \underline{B}} \mathcal{L}1\wedge \quad \frac{\underline{A}, D \vdash \underline{B}}{\underline{A}, C \wedge D \vdash \underline{B}} \mathcal{L}2\wedge$$

$$\frac{\underline{A} \vdash C, \underline{B} \quad \underline{A}' \vdash D, \underline{B}'}{\underline{A}, \underline{A}' \vdash C \wedge D, \underline{B}, \underline{B}'} \mathcal{R}\wedge$$

*cut eliminated by  $\rightarrow \wedge$*  3. *(Disjunction)* obtained from conjunction by interchanging right and left:

$$\frac{\underline{A}, C \vdash \underline{B} \quad \underline{A}', D \vdash \underline{B}'}{\underline{A}, \underline{A}', C \vee D \vdash \underline{B}, \underline{B}'} \mathcal{L}\vee$$

$$\frac{\underline{A} \vdash C, \underline{B}}{\underline{A} \vdash C \vee D, \underline{B}} \mathcal{R}1\vee \quad \frac{\underline{A} \vdash D, \underline{B}}{\underline{A} \vdash C \vee D, \underline{B}} \mathcal{R}2\vee$$

**Special case:** The intuitionistic rule  $\mathcal{L}\vee$  is written:

$$\frac{\underline{A}, C \vdash \underline{B} \quad \underline{A}', D \vdash \underline{B}}{\underline{A}, \underline{A}', C \vee D \vdash \underline{B}} \mathcal{L}\vee$$

where  $\underline{B}$  contains zero or one formula. This rule is not a special case of its classical analogue, since a classical  $\mathcal{L}\vee$  leads to  $\underline{B}, \underline{B}$  on the right. This is the only case where the intuitionistic rule is not simply a restriction of the classical one.

4. *Implication*: here we have on the left a rule with two premises and on the right a rule with one premise. They match again, but in a different way from the case of conjunction: the rule with one premise uses *two* occurrences in the premise:

$$\frac{\underline{A} \vdash C, \underline{B} \quad \underline{A}', D \vdash \underline{B}'}{\underline{A}, \underline{A}', C \Rightarrow D \vdash \underline{B}, \underline{B}'} \mathcal{L}\Rightarrow \quad \frac{\underline{A}, C \vdash D, \underline{B}}{\underline{A} \vdash C \Rightarrow D, \underline{B}} \mathcal{R}\Rightarrow$$

5. *Universal quantification*: two unary rules which match in the sense that one uses a *variable* and the other a *term*:

$$\frac{\underline{A}, C[a/\xi] \vdash \underline{B}}{\underline{A}, \forall \xi. C \vdash \underline{B}} \mathcal{L}\forall \quad \frac{\underline{A} \vdash C, \underline{B}}{\underline{A} \vdash \forall \xi. C, \underline{B}} \mathcal{R}\forall$$

$\mathcal{R}\forall$  is subject to a restriction:  $\xi$  must not be free in  $\underline{A}, \underline{B}$ .

6. *Existential quantification*: the mirror image of  $\exists$ :

$$\frac{\underline{A}, C \vdash \underline{B}}{\underline{A}, \exists \xi. C \vdash \underline{B}} \mathcal{L}\exists \quad \frac{\underline{A} \vdash C[a/\xi], \underline{B}}{\underline{A} \vdash \exists \xi. C, \underline{B}} \mathcal{R}\exists$$

$\mathcal{L}\exists$  is subject to the same restriction as  $\mathcal{R}\forall$ :  $\xi$  must not be free in  $\underline{A}, \underline{B}$ .

Spectacular consequences  
of cut elimination:

T. If we can prove  $A$  in predicate calculus we can show  $\vdash A$  without cut.

Girard notes that in the case analysis of the last rule used we get a justification for a restriction on sequents (leading to linear logic) to make the last rules more manageable / symmetric.

Next consider looking at a conclusion of a proof. What premises were used? Well if cut is allowed we cannot say because an arbitrary formula is removed. All other rules have the property that the premises of a conclusion must be subformulas.

Conclusion	Subformulae
$A \wedge B, A \vee B, A \Rightarrow B$	$A, B$
$\forall \xi . A, \exists \xi . A$	$A$

a an arbitrary term

why?

Without cut we don't have the symmetry of  $A \vdash A$ . So  $A$  on the left is stronger than  $A$  on the right. Girard claims this is interesting.

SC & ND:

We can surjectively map from SC to natural deduction.

why "noble"

Girard restricts to ND without  $\vee, \exists, \neg$

To  $A \vdash B$  corresponds a deduction of  $B$  on hypotheses  $A$ .

The reverse translation is not unique. Girard writes out an explicit translation.

The hypotheses are "parcels"?  
What's a parcel.

I will transcribe only the properties here:

- The map is not injective. In particular

for a given ND deduction there may be more than one SC proof.

- Sequent calculus is perceived by Girard (& Gentzen) as less 'authentically' a proof than natural deduction.  
It is a tool to reason about ND.

- Logical rules on the right correspond to introduction rules
- Logical rules on the left correspond to elimination rules
- Contraction & weakening correspond to creating (mock) parcels
- Exchange corresponds to nothing.
- Translating a cut free proof always gives a normal form.

sequent calculus can complicate things "unnecessarily". It's very bureaucratic.

# CHAPTER

## 6

For simple typed  $\lambda$ -calculus, there is proof theoretic techniques which make it possible to express the argument of the proof in arithmetic, and even in a very weak system. However our method extends straightforwardly to Gödel's system T, which includes a type of integers and hence codes Peano Arithmetic. As a result, strong normalisation implies the consistency of PA, which means that it cannot itself be proved in PA (Second Incompleteness Theorem).

Reducibility:

So things in  $\text{RED}_T$  will have types consisting of  $T, x, \rightarrow$   
e.g.  $T \times T \rightarrow (T \rightarrow T)$

The deep reason why reducibility works where combinatorial intuition fails is its logical complexity. Indeed, we have:  $t \in \text{REDU} \rightarrow V \text{ iff } \forall u (u \in \text{REDU} \Rightarrow t u \in \text{REDV})$

We see that in passing to  $U \rightarrow V$ ,  $\text{REDU}$  has been negated, and a universal quantifier has been added. In particular the normalisation argument cannot be directly formalised in arithmetic because  $t \in \text{REDT}$  is not expressed as an arithmetic formula in  $t$  and  $T$ .

Where  $x, t, u$  come?  
Variables of terms?

How are we reasoning about  $t$ ? I mean this is outside of any formal system (presumably why we don't use  $\Leftrightarrow$ ) so is this as "meta" as we get & just start going with our intuition -

### Strong Normalisation Theorem

The goal is to prove this theorem using a technique we can later generalise to system F.

Define the set of reducible terms of type  $T$  (in simply typed  $\lambda$ -calc)  $\text{RED}_T$  as

- $t$  of atomic type  $T$  is reducible (in  $\text{RED}_T$ ) if it is strongly normalisable
- $t$  type  $U \times V$  is reducible iff  $\Pi_1 t \in \text{RED}_U$  and  $\Pi_2 t \in \text{RED}_V$
- $t$  type  $U \rightarrow V$  is reducible iff for all reducible  $u$  of type  $U$ ,  $tu$  is reducible type  $V$ .

A neutral term is one of form

- $x$
- $\Pi_1 t$
- $tu$

Namely not of form  $\langle u, v \rangle$  or  $\lambda x. t$

• A term  $t$  is strongly normalisable iff there is a number  $n(t)$  which bounds the length of every normalisation sequence

Proof: ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Trivial ( $\Leftarrow$ ) König's Lemma

The proof is spelled out by James Clift's notes.

# CHAPTER

# 7

For example, can we use it to represent the integers or the booleans, and if so can we represent sufficiently many functions on them? The answer is clearly no.

Church numerals  
Extended polynomials.

## System T:

System T is a  $\lambda$ -calc extension to make it more expressive than simply typed.

System T has two drawbacks

- Its terms / types no longer correspond to proofs (in any extended logics either)
- It begs the question of what 'improvements' & extensions to make.  
(supposedly system F resolves these satisfactorily.)

### Types:

T adds types int & bool as well as structural rules and constants to moderate their behaviour

### Constants & Rules:

- int introduction
  - 0 is a constant of type int
  - $t : \text{type int} \Rightarrow St : \text{type int}$
- int elimination
  - $u, v, t$  having respective types  $U, U \rightarrow (\text{int} \rightarrow U), \text{int}$
  - Then  $Ruvt$  is type  $U$ .

- Bool introduction
  - $T, F$  are constants of type bool
- Bool elimination
  - $u, v, t$  respective types  $U, U, \text{bool}$
  - then  $Duvt$  is type  $U$ .

Along with the new redexes

- $Ruv0 \rightsquigarrow u$
- $DuvT \rightsquigarrow u$
- $Ruv(St) \rightsquigarrow v(Ruvt)t$
- $DuvF \rightsquigarrow v$

### An interpretation:

- 0 is zero
- S is the successor function
- T & F are truth values
- R is a recursion operator. In particular  $Ruv(n+1) = v(Ruvn)n$
- D is the operator "if ... then ... else".

strong normalisation  
& Church-Rosser

**T.** System T is strongly normalising.  
ie. Each term is strongly normalisable  
to a unique normal form.  
[Proof: Essentially the same]

Comments on the expressive power of T

shown in 9.3.1

Absolutely wild. ←  
"semantic methods"?  
Could we not already  
construe these in  
simply typed?

ALMOST  
We can construct the usual boolean  
operations of negation, disjunction &  
conjunction.

No term in T will give a symmetric  
disjunction operator.

We can represent the integers in T  
by  $\bar{n} = S^n(0)$ .

One can define addition  
 $+[x,y] = Rx(\lambda z^{\text{int}}. \lambda z^{\text{int}}. Sz)y$   
This has the properties we need; Namely  
 $+[x,0] \rightsquigarrow x$        $+[x,Sy] \rightsquigarrow S(+[x,y])$

One can also define predicates on integers  
(truth valued functions)

So T gives us the bare minimum.  
But how far can we go with it?

We have the iterator it as a term  
type  $(\text{int} \rightarrow \text{int}) \rightarrow (\text{int} \rightarrow \text{int})$   
given by  $\lambda x^{\text{int} \rightarrow \text{int}}. \text{it}(x)$   
Which gives  $\text{it}(f)\bar{n} \rightsquigarrow f^{\bar{n}}(\bar{1})$

This unlocks a huge class of functions.  
We can easily build Ackermann's function  
 $n \mapsto \text{it}^n(f_0)$  (for given  $f_0$ ) which  
for relatively simple  $f_0$  will grow faster  
than any primitive recursive functions.

Look into classifications  
of functions.  
& their relation to  
Real \*'s -

can it do next?  
true but definable still  
is definable

The one-step predecessor-satisfying the equations  $\text{pred}(0) = 0$ ,  $\text{pred}(S x) = x$  cannot be constructed using the iterator: R is essential. In fact, if one has only the iterator one can define the same functions but a certain number of equations with variables disappear. So the predecessor will still be definable, but will satisfy  $\text{pred}(S t)$  only when  $t$  is of the form  $n$ . In other words by values. This is a little annoying (in particular for F, where we shall no longer have anything but the iterator), for it shows that to calculate  $\text{pred}(n)$ , the program makes  $n$  steps, which is manifestly excessive. We do not know how to type the predecessor, except in systems like T, where the solution is visibly ad hoc.

f  
false

we show these  
are the only normal  
forms anyway

what guarantee do we have that Int represents the integers, Bool the booleans, etc.? It is not because we have represented the integers in the type Int that this type can immediately claim to represent the integers.

I think I get  
what he's saying  
but he's saying  
it horrendously

$$f \xleftrightarrow{\text{provably Total}} \exists t \in T^{\text{int} \rightarrow \text{int}} \quad |t| = f$$

In other words, the expressive power of the system T is enormous, and much more than what is feasible<sup>1</sup> on a computer! T

(what class  
of functions is feasible?)

Next if we have a closed term of type  $\text{int} \rightarrow \text{int}$ , called  $t$ , it induces a function  $|t| : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  by  $|t|(n) = m \iff t^n \sim m$

The algorithm to normalise the term  $t$  tells us  $|t|$  is calculable and therefore recursive.

We can think of  $|t|$  as looking for a normal form ( $t^n$ ) and so by strong normalisation of T we can guarantee that  $|t|$  as a program will always terminate.

Can we make sense of this in a mathematical framework (instead of T).

Yes it is possible to show  $|t|$  terminates in Peano Arithmetic.  $|t|$  is "Provably Total". In fact Provably total functions are exactly the terms of type  $\text{int} \rightarrow \text{int}$  in T.

## Appendix: Primitive Recursive:

what else do I know about function classes: •cts •Differentiable •Compact Open

### Function classes

Intuitively these are functions that can be computed by a program using only for loops. i.e. The # of iterations is bounded above before the loop is entered.

They are the subset of total general recursive functions.

A primitive recursive function is a map  $f: \mathbb{N}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  satisfying:

- Constant map:  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N} f(x) = n$  is primitive recursive
- Successor:  $S(x) = x + 1$  is primitive recursive
- Projection:  $P_i(x_1, \dots, x_m) = x_i$  is primitive recursive
- Composition:  $g_1, \dots, g_m: \mathbb{N}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  primitive recursive &  $h: \mathbb{N}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  primitive recursive

$\Rightarrow f = h(g_1, \dots, g_m)$  is primitive recursive.

- Iterate:  $g: \mathbb{N}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ ,  $h: \mathbb{N}^{m+2} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  primitive recursive

Then  $p(g, h): \mathbb{N}^{m+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  defined by

$$p(g, h)(0, x_1, \dots, x_m) = g(x_1, \dots, x_m)$$

$$p(g, h)(S(y), x_1, \dots, x_m) = h(y, p(g, h)(y, x_1, \dots, x_m), x_1, \dots, x_m)$$

iterations      immutable      counter      passed results of  
 constants / inputs      of  $g \& h$  applied to lower  
 values of  $g$       (i.e. previous iterations)

These functions correspond to Turing machines that always halt.

### General Recursive:

Also referred to as computable functions

We add to the primitive recursive conditions

• minimisation: given general recursive function  $f: \mathbb{N}^{m+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  then  $\mu(f): \mathbb{N}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  is general recursive & defined by

$$\mu(f)(x_1, \dots, x_m) = z$$

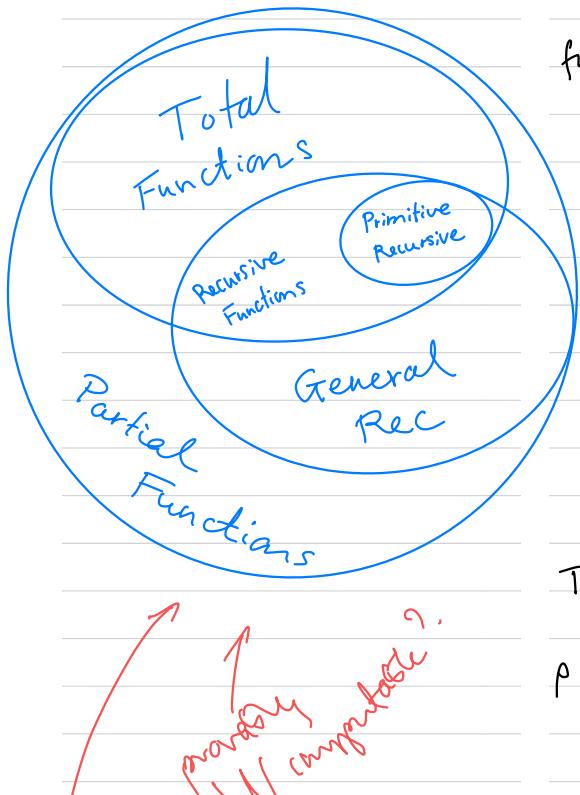
$$\Leftrightarrow f(i, x_1, \dots, x_m) \neq 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, z-1$$

$$f(z, x_1, \dots, x_m) = 0$$

This clause finds the smallest value  $z$  such that  $f(-, x_1, \dots, x_m)(z) = 0$ .

This is what can cause general recursive functions to be partial; if this minimisation "search" never terminates i.e.  $f$  is always non zero.

This class of functions corresponds exactly to functions computable by a turing machine or



enumerable

Defined by  $\lambda$ -calculus.

Total Function: Familiar set theoretic function.

Partial Function: A normal set theoretic function that is however only defined on a subset of the domain.

i.e. it is allowed that for  $f: X \rightarrow Y$   
 $\nexists S \subseteq X \quad f(S) = \emptyset$ .

Details of  
Recursion  
1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>

1  
why doesn't  
anyone go  
to 3<sup>rd</sup>

# CHAPTER

II

Type variable  
vs type?

The variable is the symbol only  
the type is the "object"  
whatever?

Corresponds under Curry-Howard to  $\lambda$  rules.

Corresponding under CTI to similar restrictions.

## System F:

Adds an operation of abstraction for types.  
All typical data types are conveniently definable in F.

$$U, V ::= X \mid U \cdots \mid U \rightarrow V \mid \Pi X . V$$

- Variables:  $x^T, y^T, \dots$  of type T.
- Applications: For  $t^U \rightarrow V$  &  $u^V$ ,  $t u$  is a term of type V
- $\lambda$ -Abstraction:  $x^V \notin U^V$  then  $\lambda x^V . v$
- Universal Abstraction:  $v^V$  then  $\lambda X . v$   
(where X is not free in any of the types of the free variables in v)
- Universal Application: t has type  $\Pi X . V$  & U is some type then  $t U$  is a term of type  $V(U/X)$

This adds the following conversion  
 $(\lambda X . v) U \rightsquigarrow v[U/X]$

## Interpretation:

An object of type  $\Pi X . V$  can be naively viewed as a function which replaces the argument type in the given  $\lambda$  term by X.

$$\text{e.g. } (\lambda X . \lambda x^{X \rightarrow X \rightarrow V} . xy) U \\ \rightsquigarrow \lambda x^{U \rightarrow U \rightarrow V} . xy$$

## Representing Structures:

We can represent common structures in F.

- Booleans
- Product
- Sum
- Empty type

In general we can represent free structures.  
This includes integers, lists & trees.

## Curry-Howard :

Types in F are propositions with second order quantifiers.

$$\vdash \frac{\begin{array}{c} A \\ \vdots \\ \forall X. t \end{array}}{t : A} \quad \vdash \frac{A}{\forall X. A} \quad \vdash \frac{\forall X. A}{A[B/X]} \quad \vdash \frac{\forall^2 x}{\forall^2 \varepsilon}$$

Correspond to universal abstraction & application in F.

$(\lambda X. t) \cup \rightsquigarrow t[V/X]$  corresponds to equating the two deductions

$$\vdash \frac{\begin{array}{c} A \\ \vdots \\ \forall X. A \end{array}}{A[B/X]} \quad \vdash \frac{\forall^2 x}{\forall^2 \varepsilon} \quad \& \quad \vdash \frac{\forall X. A}{A[B/X]}$$

## CHAPTER 13

### Cut Elimination

T. The cut rule is redundant in SC.

- We capture the complexity (# of cuts) by using the concept of degree; the complexity of the formula eliminated in the cut
- We show given a proof with a cut we can construct one with a lower degree (may have more cuts)
- Induct to see that we can reduce the degree to 0 & therefore have no cuts.
- Cut elimination in the worst case increases the height of the proof hyperexponentially. A proof of height  $h'$  & degree  $d$  at worst becomes  $\mathcal{H}(d, h)$  where:

$$\mathcal{H}(0, h) = h, \quad \mathcal{H}(d+1, h) = 4^h \mathcal{H}(d, h)$$

- If we have nontrivial axioms we only need to use cut on sequents with proper (non-trivial) axioms.

As a consequence, if we confine ourselves to atomic sequents (built from atomic formulae) as proper axioms, and as the conclusion, there is no need for the logical rules.

$$\mathcal{H}(d, h) = 4^{h \uparrow d \text{ (ish)}}$$

Nontrivial would be  
 $A \vdash B$  (contra  $A \vdash A$ )

# CHAPTER

# 14

## Strong Normalisation

T. All terms in system F are strongly normalisable.

Existence is much more delicate; in fact, we shall see in chapter 15 that the normalisation theorem for F implies the consistency of second order arithmetic PA<sub>2</sub>. The classic result of logic, if anything deserves that name, is Gödel's second incompleteness theorem, which says (assuming that it is not contradictory) that the consistency of PA<sub>2</sub> cannot be proved within PA<sub>2</sub>. Consequently, since consistency can be deduced from normalisation within PA<sub>2</sub>, the normalisation theorem cannot be proved within PA<sub>2</sub>.

Proved in PA<sub>2</sub>?