

Syntax (new2)

$e = x \mid \lambda x.e \mid ee$	(Expressions)
$v = \lambda x.e$	(Values)
$a = A[v]$	(Answers)
$A = [] \mid A[\lambda x.A] e$	(Answer Contexts)
$\hat{A} = [] \mid A[\hat{A}] e$	(Partial Answer Contexts – outer)
$\check{A} = [] \mid A[\lambda x.\check{A}]$	(Partial Answer Contexts – inner)
$E = [] \mid E e \mid A[E] \mid \hat{A}[A[\lambda x.\check{A}[E[x]]] E]$	(Evaluation Contexts)
$\hat{A}[\check{A}] \in A$	

Notions of Reduction (new2)

$$\hat{A}[A_1[\lambda x.\check{A}[E[x]]] A_2[v]] \beta_{\text{need}} \hat{A}[A_1[A_2[\check{A}[E[x]]\{x := v\}]]]$$

$$\hat{A}[\check{A}] \in A$$

- \rightarrow : compatible closure of β_{need}
- \Rightarrow : reflexive, transitive closure of \rightarrow
- \Rightarrow : parallel reduction of β_{need} redexes
- \mapsto : standard reduction relation
- $E[e] \mapsto E[e']$ if $e \beta_{\text{need}} e'$
- \mapsto : reflexive, transitive closure of \mapsto

Definition 1 (\Rightarrow). *Parallel reduction*

$$\begin{aligned} e &\Rightarrow e & (1) \\ \hat{A}[A_1[\lambda x.\check{A}[E[x]]] A_2[v]] &\Rightarrow \hat{A}'[A_1'[A_2'[\check{A}'[E'[x]]\{x := v'\}]] & (2) \\ \text{if } \hat{A}[\check{A}] \in A, \hat{A}'[\check{A}'] \in A, & \\ \hat{A} \Rightarrow \hat{A}', A_1 \Rightarrow A_1', A_2 \Rightarrow A_2', \check{A} \Rightarrow \check{A}', E \Rightarrow E', v \Rightarrow v' & \\ e_1 e_2 &\Rightarrow e_1' e_2' & (3) \\ \text{if } e_1 \Rightarrow e_1', e_2 \Rightarrow e_2' & \\ \lambda x.e &\Rightarrow \lambda x.e' & (4) \\ \text{if } e \Rightarrow e' & \end{aligned}$$

Definition 2 (\Rightarrow for contexts). *Parallel reduction of contexts.*

If all subterms in a context E parallel reduce, then $E \Rightarrow E'$, where each e in E is replaced with e' in E' , and $e \Rightarrow e'$.

$$\begin{aligned} [] &\Rightarrow [] \\ A_1[\lambda x.A_2] e &\Rightarrow A_1'[\lambda x.A_2'] e' & \text{if } A_1 \Rightarrow A_1', A_2 \Rightarrow A_2', e \Rightarrow e' \\ A[\hat{A}] e &\Rightarrow A'[\hat{A}'] e' & \text{if } A \Rightarrow A', \hat{A} \Rightarrow \hat{A}', e \Rightarrow e' \\ A[\lambda x.\check{A}] &\Rightarrow A'[\lambda x.\check{A}'] & \text{if } A \Rightarrow A', \check{A} \Rightarrow \check{A}' \\ E e &\Rightarrow E' e' & \text{if } E \Rightarrow E', e \Rightarrow e' \\ A[E] &\Rightarrow A'[E'] & \text{if } A \Rightarrow A', E \Rightarrow E' \\ \hat{A}[A[\lambda x.\check{A}[E_1[x]]] E_2] &\Rightarrow \hat{A}'[A'[\lambda x.\check{A}'[E_1'[x]]] E_2'] & \text{if } \hat{A}[\check{A}], \hat{A} \Rightarrow \hat{A}', A \Rightarrow A', \check{A} \Rightarrow \check{A}', E_1 \Rightarrow E_1', E_2 \Rightarrow E_2' \end{aligned}$$

Definition 3 (\diamond). *Standard reduction sequences \mathcal{R}*

- $x \in \mathcal{R}$
- If $e_1 \diamond \dots \diamond e_m \in \mathcal{R}$, then $\lambda x.e_1 \diamond \dots \diamond \lambda x.e_m \in \mathcal{R}$
- If $e_1 \diamond \dots \diamond e_m \in \mathcal{R}$ and $e'_1 \diamond \dots \diamond e'_n \in \mathcal{R}$ then $(e_1 e'_1) \diamond \dots \diamond (e_m e'_1) \diamond (e_m e'_2) \diamond \dots \diamond (e_m e'_n) \in \mathcal{R}$
- If $e_1 \diamond \dots \diamond e_m \in \mathcal{R}$ and $e_0 \mapsto e_1$, then $e_0 \diamond e_1 \diamond \dots \diamond e_m \in \mathcal{R}$

Definition 4 (size function $|\cdot|$).

$$\begin{aligned}
|e \Rightarrow e| &= 0 \\
|\hat{A}[A_1[\lambda x.\check{A}[E[x]]] A_2[v]] \Rightarrow \hat{A}'[A'_1[A'_2[\check{A}'[E'[x]]\{x := v'\}]]]| &= |\hat{A} \Rightarrow \hat{A}'| + |A_1 \Rightarrow A'_1| + |\check{A}[E[x]] \Rightarrow \check{A}'[E'[x]]| \\
&\quad + |A_2 \Rightarrow A'_2| + \#(x, \check{A}'[E'[x]]) \times |v \Rightarrow v'| + 1 \\
|(e_1 e_2) \Rightarrow (e'_1 e'_2)| &= |e_1 \Rightarrow e'_1| + |e_2 \Rightarrow e'_2| \\
|\lambda x.e \Rightarrow \lambda x.e'| &= |e \Rightarrow e'|
\end{aligned}$$

Definition 5 (size function for contexts). *Size of context is equal to sum of sizes of subcontexts and subterms.*

Theorem 1 (Curry-Feys Standardization). $e \twoheadrightarrow e'$ iff $e_1 \diamond \dots \diamond e_n \in \mathcal{R}$ s.t. $e = e_1$ and $e' = e_n$.

Proof. By lemma 1 □

Lemma 1. If $e \Rightarrow e'$ and $e' \diamond e'_2 \diamond \dots \diamond e'_n \in \mathcal{R}$, then there exists $e_1 \diamond e_2 \diamond \dots \diamond e_p \in \mathcal{R}$ s.t. $e_1 = e$ and $e_p = e'_n$.

Proof. By triple lexicographic induction on 1) length n of given standard reduction sequence, 2) $|e \Rightarrow e'|$, and 3) structure of e . Proceed by case analysis on last step in derivation of $e \Rightarrow e'$

Case $e = e'$. (base)

Then $e_1 = e = e'$ and $e_p = e'_n$

Case $e \Rightarrow e'$ by $\Rightarrow def(2)$.

$e = \hat{A}[A_1[\lambda x.\check{A}[E[x]]] A_2[v]],$

$e' = \hat{A}'[A'_1[A'_2[\check{A}'[E'[x]]\{x := v'\}]]]$

Let $e'' = \hat{A}[A_1[A_2[\check{A}[E[x]]\{x := v'\}]]]$

Since e is β_{need} redex, $e \mapsto e'' \Rightarrow e'$

By IH and size lemma(4), there exists $e_2 \diamond \dots \diamond e_p \in \mathcal{R}$ s.t. $e_2 = e''$ and $e_p = e'_n$

Case $e \Rightarrow e'$ by $\Rightarrow def(3)$.

$e = e_3 e_4, e' = e'_3 e'_4, e_3 \Rightarrow e'_3, e_4 \Rightarrow e'_4$

Subcase $e' \mapsto e'_2$.

By lemma 2, IH, and reasoning from redex text.

Subcase otherwise.

Same reasoning as redex text.

Case $e \Rightarrow e'$ by $\Rightarrow def(4)$.

Claim holds by IH. □

Lemma 2. *If $e \Rightarrow e^* \mapsto e^{**}$, then there exists e^{***} s.t. $e \mapsto e^{***} \Rightarrow e^{**}$.*

Proof. By double lexicographic induction on $|e \Rightarrow e^*|$ and structure of e . Proceed by cases on proof of $e \Rightarrow e^*$.

Case $e \Rightarrow e^*$ by $\Rightarrow def(1)$.

$$e = e^*, e^{***} = e^{**}$$

Case $e \Rightarrow e^*$ by $\Rightarrow def(2)$.

By the fact that e is a β_{need} redex, size lemma(4), and IH (same reasoning as redex text).

Case $e \Rightarrow e^*$ by $\Rightarrow def(3)$.

$$e = e_1 e_2,$$

$$e^* = e'_1 e'_2,$$

$$e_1 \Rightarrow e'_1, e_2 \Rightarrow e'_2$$

By subcases of $e^* \mapsto e^{**}$:

Subcase e^* is a β_{need} redex.

$$e^* = \hat{A}[A_1[\lambda x. \check{A}[E[x]]] A_2[v]],$$

$$e^{**} = \hat{A}[A_1[A_2[\hat{A}[E[x]]\{x := v\}]]]$$

(Similar reasoning to Case 3.4 below)

Subsubcase $\hat{A} = []$.

$$\check{A} = [], e_1 \Rightarrow A_1[\lambda x. E[x]], e_2 \Rightarrow A_2[v]$$

By lemma 3 and $E[x]$ shape lemma, there exists $A'_1[\lambda x. E'[x]]$ and $A'_2[v']$ s.t.

$$e_1 \mapsto A'_1[\lambda x. E'[x]] \Rightarrow A_1[\lambda x. E[x]] \text{ and }$$

$$e_2 \mapsto A'_2[v'] \Rightarrow A_2[v]. \text{ Thus,}$$

$$\begin{aligned} e = e_1 e_2 &\mapsto A'_1[\lambda x. E'[x]] e_2 \\ &\mapsto A'_1[\lambda x. E'[x]] A'_2[v'] \\ &\Rightarrow A_1[\lambda x. E[x]] A_2[v] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } e^{***} = A'_1[\lambda x. E'[x]] A'_2[v']$$

Subsubcase $\hat{A} = A_3[\hat{A}_1] e'_2$.

Then $\check{A} = A_4[\lambda y. \check{A}_1]$ s.t. $\hat{A}_1[\check{A}_1] \in A$, so $e_1 \Rightarrow A_3[\hat{A}_1[A_1[\lambda x. A_4[\lambda y. \check{A}_1[E[x]]]]] A_2[v]]$, which is an answer, bc there is now one more λ than arguments.

Subsubsubcase $\hat{A}_1 = \check{A}_1 = []$, ($\lambda y.$ is innermost lambda).

$$e_1 \Rightarrow A_3[A_1[\lambda x. A_4[\lambda y. E[x]]] A_2[v]] = A_5[\lambda y. E[x]], \text{ where } A_5 = A_3[A_1[\lambda x. A_4] A_2[v]]$$

By lemma 3, and $E[x]$ shape lemma, there exists A'_5 and $E'[x]$ s.t.

$$e_1 \mapsto A'_5[\lambda y. E'[x]] \Rightarrow A_5[\lambda y. E[x]].$$

$$\text{Let } A'_5 = A'_3[A'_1[\lambda x. A'_4] e_3] \text{ s.t. } e_3 \Rightarrow A_2[v],$$

so by lemma 3, there is some $A'_2[v']$ s.t. $e_3 \mapsto A'_2[v'] \Rightarrow A_2[v]$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} e = e_1 e_2 &\mapsto A'_5[\lambda y. E'[x]] e_2 \\ &= A'_3[A'_1[\lambda x. A'_4[\lambda y. E'[x]]] e_3] e_2 \\ &\mapsto A'_3[A'_1[\lambda x. A'_4[\lambda y. E'[x]]] A'_2[v']] e_2 \\ &\Rightarrow A_3[A_1[\lambda x. A_4[\lambda y. E[x]]] A_2[v]] e'_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } e^{***} = A'_3[A'_1[\lambda x. A'_4[\lambda y. E'[x]]] A'_2[v']] e'_2$$

Subsubsubcase *otherwise.*

Let $\check{A}_1 = \check{A}_2[\lambda z.[]]$ s.t. $\lambda z.$ is the innermost unpaired λ so that

$$e_1 \Rightarrow A_3[\hat{A}_1[A_1[\lambda x.A_4[\lambda y.\check{A}_2[\lambda z.E[x]]] A_2[v]]]$$

Apply lemma 3 to $e_1 \Rightarrow A_5[\lambda z.E[x]]$, $A_5 = A_3[\hat{A}_1[A_1[\lambda x.A_4[\lambda y.\check{A}_2]] A_2[v]]]$ and repeat analysis of above subcase.

(remaining subcases check possible E s)

Subcase $e^* = E[e_3] e'_2$, $e^{**} = E[e'_3] e'_2$, $e_3 \beta_{\text{need}} e'_3$.

By IH on $e_1 \Rightarrow E[e_3] \mapsto E[e'_3]$.

Subcase $e^* = A[E[e_3]]$, $e^{**} = A[E[e'_3]]$, $e_3 \beta_{\text{need}} e'_3$.

If $A = []$, check cases of E .

If $A = A_1[\lambda x.A_2] e'_2$, then $e^* = A_1[\lambda x.A_2[E[e_3]]] e'_2$, where $e_1 \Rightarrow A_1[\lambda x.A_2[E[e_3]]]$

By lemma 3, there exists $A'_1[\lambda x.e_4]$ s.t. $e_1 \mapsto A'_1[\lambda x.e_4] \Rightarrow A_1[\lambda x.A_2[E[e_3]]]$,

where $A'_1 \Rightarrow A_1$ and $e_4 \Rightarrow A_2[E[e_3]]$

Since $e_4 \Rightarrow A_2[E[e_3]] \mapsto A_2[E[e'_3]]$, by IH, there exists e_5 s.t. $e_4 \mapsto e_5 \Rightarrow A_2[E[e'_3]]$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} e = e_1 e_2 &\mapsto A'_1[\lambda x.e_4] e_2 \\ &\mapsto A'_1[\lambda x.e_5] e_2 \\ &\Rightarrow A_1[\lambda x.A_2[E[e'_3]]] e'_2 \end{aligned}$$

So $e^{***} = A'_1[\lambda x.e_5] e_2$

Subcase $e^* = \hat{A}[A[\lambda x.\check{A}[E_1[x]]] E_2[e_3]]$, $e^{**} = \hat{A}[A[\lambda x.\check{A}[E_1[x]]] E_2[e'_3]]$, $e_3 \beta_{\text{need}} e'_3$, $\hat{A}[\check{A}] \in A$.

(Similar reasoning to case 3.1 above)

Subsubcase $\hat{A} = []$.

If $\hat{A} = []$, then $\check{A} = []$, so $e_1 \Rightarrow A[\lambda x.E_1[x]]$ and $e_2 \Rightarrow E_2[e_3]$

Since $e_1 \Rightarrow A[\lambda x.E_1[x]]$, by lemma 3, there exists A' and e_5 s.t. $e_1 \mapsto A'[\lambda x.e_5] \Rightarrow A[\lambda x.E_1[x]]$,

where $A' \Rightarrow A$ and $e_5 \Rightarrow E_1[x]$. By the $E[x]$ shape lemma, $e_5 = E'_1[x]$, where $E'_1 \Rightarrow E_1$.

Since $e_2 \Rightarrow E_2[e_3] \mapsto E_2[e'_3]$, by IH, there exists e_4 s.t. $e_2 \mapsto e_4 \Rightarrow E_2[e'_3]$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} e = e_1 e_2 &\mapsto A'[\lambda x.E'_1[x]] e_2 \\ &\mapsto A'[\lambda x.E'_1[x]] e_4 \\ &\Rightarrow A[\lambda x.E_1[x]] E_2[e'_3] \end{aligned}$$

so $e^{***} = A'[\lambda x.E'_1[x]] e_4$.

Subsubcase $\hat{A} = A_1[\hat{A}_1] e'_2$.

Then $\check{A} = A_2[\lambda y.\check{A}_1]$ s.t. $\hat{A}_1[\check{A}_1] \in A$, so $e_1 \Rightarrow A_1[\hat{A}_1[A[\lambda x.A_2[\lambda y.\check{A}_1[E_1[x]]]] E_2[e_3]]]$, which is an answer, bc there is now one more λ than arguments.

Subsubsubcase $\hat{A}_1 = \check{A}_1 = []$, ($\lambda y.$ is innermost lambda).

$e_1 \Rightarrow A_1[A[\lambda x.A_2[\lambda y.E_1[x]]] E_2[e_3]] = A_3[\lambda y.E_1[x]]$, where $A_3 = A_1[A[\lambda x.A_2] E_2[e_3]]$

By lemma 3, and $E[x]$ shape lemma, there exists A'_3 and $E'_1[x]$ s.t.

$$e_1 \mapsto A'_3[\lambda y.E'_1[x]] \Rightarrow A_3[\lambda y.E_1[x]]$$

Let $A'_3 = A'_1[A'[\lambda x.A'_2] e_4]$ s.t. $e_4 \Rightarrow E[e_3] \mapsto E_2[e'_3]$,

so by IH, there is some e_5 s.t. $e_4 \mapsto e_5 \Rightarrow E_2[e'_3]$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} e = e_1 e_2 &\mapsto A'_3[\lambda y.E'_1[x]] e_2 \\ &= A'_1[A'[\lambda x.A'_2[\lambda y.E'_1[x]]] e_4] e_2 \\ &\mapsto A'_1[A'[\lambda x.A'_2[\lambda y.E'_1[x]]] e_5] e_2 \\ &\Rightarrow A_1[A[\lambda x.A_2[\lambda y.E_1[x]]] E_2[e'_3]] e'_2 \end{aligned}$$

So $e^{***} = A'_1[A'[\lambda x.A'_2[\lambda y.E'_1[x]]] e_5] e_2$

Subsubsubcase *otherwise.*

Let $\check{A}_1 = \check{A}_2[\lambda z.[]]$ s.t. $\lambda z.$ is the innermost unpaired λ so that

$$e_1 \Rightarrow A_1[\hat{A}_1[A[\lambda x.A_2[\lambda y.\check{A}_2[\lambda z.E_1[x]]] E_2[e_3]]]$$

Apply lemma 3 to $e_1 \Rightarrow A_3[\lambda z.E_1[x]]$ and repeat analysis of above subcase.

Case $e \Rightarrow e'$ by $\Rightarrow def(4)$.

Impossible because not a β_{need} redex.

□

Lemma 3.

1. If $e \Rightarrow A[\lambda x.e']$, there exists A' and e'' s.t. $e \mapsto\!\!\!\mapsto A'[\lambda x.e''] \Rightarrow A[\lambda x.e']$, where $A' \Rightarrow A$ and $e'' \Rightarrow e'$.
2. If $e \Rightarrow x$, then $e \mapsto\!\!\!\mapsto x$.

Proof. Same reasoning as redex text.

□

Lemma 4 (Size). *If $s_e = |e \Rightarrow e'|$ and $s_v = |v \Rightarrow v'|$ then:*

1. $e\{x := v\} \Rightarrow e'\{x := v'\}$
2. $|e\{x := v\} \Rightarrow e'\{x := v'\}| \leq |e \Rightarrow e'| + \#(x, e') \times |v \Rightarrow v'|$

Proof. By induction on e . Case analysis on last step in $e \Rightarrow e'$.

Case $e \Rightarrow e'$ by $\Rightarrow def(1)$.

$e = e'$. Proof by subcases on e . Same reasoning as redex book.

Case $e \Rightarrow e'$ by $\Rightarrow def(2)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
e &= \hat{A}[A_1[\lambda y. \check{A}[E[y]]] A_2[v_1]], \\
e' &= \hat{A}'[A_1'[A_2'[\check{A}'[E'[y]]\{y := v'_1\}]] \\
|e \Rightarrow e'| &= |\hat{A} \Rightarrow \hat{A}'| + |A_1 \Rightarrow A_1'| + |A_2 \Rightarrow A_2'| + |\check{A}[E[y]] \Rightarrow \check{A}'[E'[y]]| + \#(y, \check{A}'[E'[y]]) \times |v_1 \Rightarrow v'_1| + 1 \\
\text{By IH:} \\
|\hat{A}\{x := v\} \Rightarrow \hat{A}'\{x := v'\}| &\leq |\hat{A} \Rightarrow \hat{A}'| + \#(x, \hat{A}) \times |v \Rightarrow v'| \\
|A_1\{x := v\} \Rightarrow A_1'\{x := v'\}| &\leq |A_1 \Rightarrow A_1'| + \#(x, A_1) \times |v \Rightarrow v'| \\
|\check{A}[E[y]]\{x := v\} \Rightarrow \check{A}'[E'[y]]\{x := v'\}| &\leq |\check{A}[E[y]] \Rightarrow \check{A}'[E'[y]]| + \#(x, \check{A}'[E'[y]]) \times |v \Rightarrow v'| \\
|A_2\{x := v\} \Rightarrow A_2'\{x := v'\}| &\leq |A_2 \Rightarrow A_2'| + \#(x, A_2) \times |v \Rightarrow v'| \\
|v_1\{x := v\} \Rightarrow v'_1\{x := v'\}| &\leq |v_1 \Rightarrow v'_1| + \#(x, v_1) \times |v \Rightarrow v'| \\
|e\{x := v\} \Rightarrow e'\{x := v'\}| &= |\hat{A}\{x := v\} \Rightarrow \hat{A}'\{x := v'\}| + |A_1\{x := v\} \Rightarrow A_1'\{x := v'\}| + |A_2\{x := v\} \Rightarrow A_2'\{x := v'\}| + \\
&\quad |\check{A}[E[y]]\{x := v\} \Rightarrow \check{A}'[E'[y]]\{x := v'\}| + \\
&\quad \#(y, \check{A}'[E'[y]]) \times |v_1\{x := v\} \Rightarrow v'_1\{x := v'\}| + 1 \\
&\leq |\hat{A} \Rightarrow \hat{A}'| + \#(x, \hat{A}) \times |v \Rightarrow v'| + \\
&\quad |A_1 \Rightarrow A_1'| + \#(x, A_1) \times |v \Rightarrow v'| + \\
&\quad |A_2 \Rightarrow A_2'| + \#(x, A_2) \times |v \Rightarrow v'| + \\
&\quad |\check{A}[E[y]] \Rightarrow \check{A}'[E'[y]]| + \#(x, \check{A}'[E'[y]]) \times |v \Rightarrow v'| + \\
&\quad \#(y, \check{A}'[E'[y]]) \times (|v_1 \Rightarrow v'_1| + \#(x, v_1) \times |v \Rightarrow v'|) + 1 \\
&= |\hat{A} \Rightarrow \hat{A}'| + \#(x, \hat{A}) \times |v \Rightarrow v'| + \\
&\quad |A_1 \Rightarrow A_1'| + \#(x, A_1) \times |v \Rightarrow v'| + \\
&\quad |A_2 \Rightarrow A_2'| + \#(x, A_2) \times |v \Rightarrow v'| + \\
&\quad |\check{A}[E[y]] \Rightarrow \check{A}'[E'[y]]| + \#(x, \check{A}'[E'[y]]) \times |v \Rightarrow v'| + \\
&\quad \#(y, \check{A}'[E'[y]]) \times |v_1 \Rightarrow v'_1| + \#(y, \check{A}'[E'[y]]) \times \#(x, v_1) \times |v \Rightarrow v'| + 1 \\
&= |\hat{A} \Rightarrow \hat{A}'| + |A_1 \Rightarrow A_1'| + |A_2 \Rightarrow A_2'| + |\check{A}[E[y]] \Rightarrow \check{A}'[E'[y]]| + \#(y, \check{A}'[E'[y]]) \times |v_1 \Rightarrow v'_1| + 1 + \\
&\quad (\#(x, \hat{A}) + \#(x, A_1) + \#(x, A_2) + \#(x, \check{A}'[E'[y]]) + \#(y, \check{A}'[E'[y]]) \times \#(x, v_1)) \times |v \Rightarrow v'| \\
&= |e \Rightarrow e'| + \#(x, e') \times |v \Rightarrow v'|
\end{aligned}$$

Case $e = e_1 e_2$.

Same reasoning as redex book.

Case $e = \lambda x. e_1$.

Same reasoning as redex book.

□

Lemma 5 (Unique Decomposition). *For all terms e and variables x , if $e \neq E'[x]$, x not bound by E' , then e is either an answer $A[v]$, or there exists a unique evaluation context E and β_{need} redex e' such that $e = E[e']$.*

Proof. By structural induction on e .

Case $e = x$.

Impossible because $e = E[x]$, $E = []$

Case $e = \lambda x.e_1$.

Claim holds with e an answer, $A = []$, $v = e$.

Case $e = e_1 e_2$.

$e_1 \neq E''[x]$, otherwise, $e = E'[x]$, where $E' = E'' e_2$. By IH, e_1 is either an answer or uniquely decomposes, so proceed by subcases on e_1 .

Subcase $e_1 = E_1[e_3]$.

By IH, e_3 is a β_{need} redex. Then the claim holds with $E = E_1 e_2$ and $e' = e_3$.

Subcase $e_1 = A_1[v_1]$.

Let $v_1 = \lambda x.e_3$. Proceed by subsubcases on e_3 .

Subsubcase $e_3 = E_1[y]$.

where y is a variable bound by the answer context $A_1[\lambda x.[]] e_2$. Proceed by subsubsubcases on e_2

Subsubsubcase $e_2 = E_2[e_4]$.

e_4 is a β_{need} redex. Then the claim holds with $E = A_1[\lambda x.E_1[y]] E_2$ and $e' = e_4$.

Subsubsubcase $e_2 = A_2[v_2]$.

Then e is a β_{need} redex.

Subsubcase $e_3 \neq E_1[y] = E_2[e_4]$.

e_4 is a β_{need} redex. Claim holds with $E = A_1[\lambda x.E_2[[]] e_2]$ and $e' = e_4$.

Subsubcase $e_3 \neq E_1[y] = A_2[v_2]$.

Claim holds where e is an answer with $A = A_1[\lambda x.A_2[[]] e_2]$ and $v = v_2$

□