Higher Order Calculus

Homework solution

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1 Problem

Theorem 1 (Equivalence to a normal form). If $E \vdash A :: K$, then $E \vdash A \leftrightarrow A^{nf} :: K$

2 Analysis

2.1 Transformations to normal form

Let's look at the transformations, which induce normal form.

- 1. $X^{nf} = X$
- 2. $Top^{nf} = Top$
- 3. $[l_i v_i : B_i^{i \in 1..n}]^{nf} = [l_i v_i : B_i^{nf}]^{i \in 1..n}$
- 4. $(\forall (X \mathrel{<:} A \mathrel{::} K)B)^{nf} = (\forall (X \mathrel{<:} A^{nf} \mathrel{::} K)B^{nf})$
- 5. $(\mu(X)A)^{nf}=\mu(X)A^{nf}$
- 6. $(\lambda(X::K)B)^{nf} = \lambda(X::K)B^{nf}$
- 7. $(B(A))^{nf}=$ if $B^{nf}\equiv \lambda(X::K)C\{X\}$ for some $X,\,K,\,C,$ then $(C\{A\})^{nf}$ else $B^{nf}(A^{nf})$

3 Proof

Let's imagine, that we have a tree which represents how we are transforming our A^{nf} to regular constructor. We have an assumption that $E \vdash A :: K$, so our tree exists and is finite. We will prove a theorem by induction on that tree. Transformation X is the transformation associated with the number on the list above.

Proof.

Case 1 (Induction basis - Transformation 1 & 2).

Both transformations are easy. Let's consider Transformation 1.

$$X^{nf} = X$$

We also have an assumption that

$$E \vdash X :: K$$

Thus, equivalence between X and X^{nf} is obvious (from rule **Con Eq X**). For Transformation 2, proof looks exactly the same.

Case 2 (Induction step - Transformation 3).

If our constructor has shape $[l_i v_i : B_i^{i \in 1..n}]$, we have to consider transformation 3.

$$[l_i v_i : B_i^{i \in 1..n}]^{nf} = [l_i v_i : B_i^{nf}]^{i \in 1..n}$$

We can conclude equivalence from the judgment Con Eq Object.

from induction hypothesis

$$\frac{E \vdash B_i \leftrightarrow B_i^{nf}}{E \vdash [l_i v_i : B_i^{i \in 1..n}] \leftrightarrow [l_i v_i : B_i^{nf} \stackrel{i \in 1..n}{=}]} \text{ (Con Eq Object)}$$

Case 3 (Induction step - Transformation 4).

If our constructor has shape $\forall (X <: A :: K)B$, we have to consider transformation 4.

$$(\forall (X <: A :: K)B)^{nf} = (\forall (X <: A^{nf} :: K)B^{nf})$$

We can conclude equivalence from the judgment Con Eq All.

Case 4 (Induction step - Transformation 5).

If our constructor has shape $\mu(X)A$, we have to consider transformation 5.

$$(\mu(X)A)^{nf} = \mu(X)A^{nf}$$

We can conclude equivalence from the judgment Con Eq Rec.

 $\frac{From induction hypothesis}{E, X \vdash B \leftrightarrow B^{nf} \atop E \vdash \mu(X)A \leftrightarrow \mu(X)A^{nf}}$ (Con Eq Object)

Case 5 (Induction step - Transformation 6).

If our constructor has shape $\lambda(X::K)B$, we have to consider transformation 6.

$$(\lambda(X :: K)B)^{nf} = \lambda(X :: K)B^{nf}$$

We can conclude equivalence from the judgment Con Eq Abs:

$$\frac{\frac{\text{from induction hypothesis}}{E, X :: K \vdash B \leftrightarrow B^{nf} :: L}}{E \vdash \lambda(X :: K)B \leftrightarrow \lambda(X :: K)B^{nf} :: K \Rightarrow L} \text{ (Con Eq Abs)}$$

Case 6 (Induction step - Transformation 7).

If our constructor has shape B(A), we have to consider transformation 7.

$$(B(A))^{nf} = \text{if } B^{nf} \equiv \lambda(X :: K)C\{X\} \text{ for some } X, K, C, \text{ then } (C\{A\})^{nf} \text{ else } B^{nf}(A^{nf})$$

Now we have two subcases.

Subcase 1 $(B^{nf} \equiv \lambda(X :: K)C\{X\}$ for some X, K, C). We can conclude equivalence from the judgment Con Eval Beta and transitivity.

$$\frac{\frac{\text{from Assumption}}{E, X :: K \vdash C\{X\} :: L} \frac{\text{from Assumption}}{E \vdash A :: K}}{E \vdash (\lambda(X :: K)C\{X\})(A) \leftrightarrow C\{A\} :: L} (\text{Con Eq Abs}) \\ E \vdash (\lambda(X :: K)C\{X\})(A) \leftrightarrow (C\{A\})^{nf} :: L}$$

Subcase 2 (else). We can conclude equivalence from the judgment Con Eq Appl.