

Topic 7

Relating Denotational and Operational Semantics

Adequacy

For any closed PCF terms M and V of *ground* type $\gamma \in \{nat, bool\}$ with V a value

$$\llbracket M \rrbracket = \llbracket V \rrbracket \in \llbracket \gamma \rrbracket \implies M \Downarrow_{\gamma} V.$$

NB. Adequacy does not hold at function types:

$$\llbracket \mathbf{fn} \ x : \tau. (\mathbf{fn} \ y : \tau. y) \ x \rrbracket = \llbracket \mathbf{fn} \ x : \tau. x \rrbracket : \llbracket \tau \rrbracket \rightarrow \llbracket \tau \rrbracket$$

but

$$\mathbf{fn} \ x : \tau. (\mathbf{fn} \ y : \tau. y) \ x \not\Downarrow_{\tau \rightarrow \tau} \mathbf{fn} \ x : \tau. x$$

Adequacy proof idea

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► Consider M to be $M_1 M_2$, $\text{fix}(M')$.

$$\llbracket M \rrbracket = \llbracket V \rrbracket \Rightarrow M \Downarrow V$$

case

$$M = M_1 M_2$$

$$M_1: \tau \rightarrow \sigma \quad M_2: \tau$$



case

$$M = \text{fix}(M')$$

$$M': \tau \rightarrow \tau$$



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• Define $\{ \triangleleft_z \subseteq \llbracket z \rrbracket \times PCF_z \}_{z \in \text{types}}$.

• Prove for all types τ , and terms M of type τ
 $\llbracket M \rrbracket \triangleleft_\tau M$

• From $\llbracket M \rrbracket \triangleleft_{\tau'} M$ ($\tau' \in \{ \underline{\text{nat}}, \underline{\text{bool}} \}$)

we will deduce

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This statement roughly takes the form:

$$\llbracket M \rrbracket \triangleleft_{\tau} M \text{ for all types } \tau \text{ and all } M \in \text{PCF}_{\tau}$$

where the *formal approximation relations*

$$\triangleleft_{\tau} \subseteq \llbracket \tau \rrbracket \times \text{PCF}_{\tau}$$

are *logically* chosen to allow a proof by induction.

Requirements on the formal approximation relations, I

We want that, for $\gamma \in \{nat, bool\}$,

$$\llbracket M \rrbracket \triangleleft_{\gamma} M \text{ implies } \underbrace{\forall V (\llbracket M \rrbracket = \llbracket V \rrbracket \implies M \Downarrow_{\gamma} V)}_{\text{adequacy}}$$

Define $\triangleleft_{nat} \subseteq \mathbb{N}_{\perp} \times \underline{PCF}_{nat}$ Idea

$d \in \mathbb{N}_{\perp}$
 $M \in \underline{PCF}_{nat}$

$d \triangleleft_{nat} M \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \text{then } M \Downarrow \underline{succ}^d(0)$ if $\llbracket M \rrbracket = d \in \mathbb{N}$

Definition of $d \triangleleft_{\gamma} M$ ($d \in \llbracket \gamma \rrbracket, M \in \text{PCF}_{\gamma}$)
for $\gamma \in \{\text{nat}, \text{bool}\}$

$$n \triangleleft_{\text{nat}} M \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} (n \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow M \Downarrow_{\text{nat}} \mathbf{succ}^n(\mathbf{0}))$$

$$b \triangleleft_{\text{bool}} M \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} (b = \text{true} \Rightarrow M \Downarrow_{\text{bool}} \mathbf{true}) \\ \& (b = \text{false} \Rightarrow M \Downarrow_{\text{bool}} \mathbf{false})$$

NB: $\perp \triangleleft_{\text{nat}} M$
 $\perp \triangleleft_{\text{bool}} M.$

Proof of: $\llbracket M \rrbracket \triangleleft_\gamma M$ implies adequacy

Case $\gamma = \text{nat}$.

$$\llbracket M \rrbracket = \llbracket V \rrbracket$$

$$\implies \llbracket M \rrbracket = \llbracket \text{succ}^n(\mathbf{0}) \rrbracket \quad \text{for some } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\implies n = \llbracket M \rrbracket \triangleleft_\gamma M$$

$$\implies M \Downarrow \text{succ}^n(\mathbf{0}) \quad \text{by definition of } \triangleleft_{\text{nat}}$$

Case $\gamma = \text{bool}$ is similar.

It remains to define

$$\Delta_{\sigma \rightarrow \tau} \subseteq (\llbracket \sigma \rrbracket \rightarrow \llbracket \tau \rrbracket) \times \text{PCF}_{\sigma \rightarrow \tau}$$

It makes sense to do so compositionally
in terms of

and $\Delta_{\sigma} \subseteq \llbracket \sigma \rrbracket \times \text{PCF}_{\sigma}$

$$\Delta_{\tau} \subseteq \llbracket \tau \rrbracket \times \text{PCF}_{\tau}$$

But how?

We will proceed "logically" and shape the definition by understanding what is needed from it to be able to prove

$$\llbracket M \rrbracket \triangleleft_c M$$

by structural induction on M .

Requirements on the formal approximation relations, II

We want to be able to proceed by induction.

▶ Consider the case $M = M_1 M_2$.

RTP: $\llbracket M_1 M_2 \rrbracket \triangleq_z M_1 M_2$

\rightsquigarrow logical definition

$$M_1: \sigma \rightarrow \tau$$

$$M_2: \sigma$$

$$[M_1] \triangleq_{\sigma \rightarrow \tau} M_1$$

$$[M_2] \triangleq_{\sigma} M_2$$

?

\rightsquigarrow

$$[M_1, M_2] \triangleq_{\tau} M_1, M_2$$

\parallel

$$[M_1] ([M_2])$$

Def

$$f \triangleq_{\sigma \rightarrow \tau} M$$

iff def

$$\forall d \triangleq_{\sigma} N. f(d) \triangleq_{\tau} M(N)$$

(Logical)

Definition of

$$f \triangleleft_{\tau \rightarrow \tau'} M \quad (f \in ([\tau] \rightarrow [\tau']), M \in \text{PCF}_{\tau \rightarrow \tau'})$$

$$f \triangleleft_{\tau \rightarrow \tau'} M$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow} \forall x \in [\tau], N \in \text{PCF}_{\tau}$$

$$(x \triangleleft_{\tau} N \Rightarrow f(x) \triangleleft_{\tau'} M N)$$

Inductive definition of $\{\Delta_z\}_{z \in \text{types}}$

- $n \Delta_{\text{nat}} M$ iff $(n \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow M \Downarrow \underline{\text{succ}}^n(\underline{0}))$
 - $b \Delta_{\text{bool}} M$ iff $\wedge \begin{cases} (b = \text{true} \Rightarrow M \Downarrow \underline{\text{true}}) \\ (b = \text{false} \Rightarrow M \Downarrow \underline{\text{false}}) \end{cases}$
 - $f \Delta_{\sigma \rightarrow \tau} M$ iff $\forall d, N. d \Delta_{\sigma} N \Rightarrow f(d) \Delta_{\tau} MN$
- Can we now prove $\forall z \forall M. \llbracket M \rrbracket \Delta_z M$?

Requirements on the formal approximation relations, III

We want to be able to proceed by induction.

▶ Consider the case $M = \mathbf{fix}(M')$.

\rightsquigarrow *admissibility* property

RTP

$$\llbracket \mathbf{fix}(M') \rrbracket \triangleq_2 \underline{\mathbf{fix}(M')}.$$

RTP

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket \text{fix}(M') \rrbracket &\triangleq_2 \underline{\text{fix}}(M') \\ &\parallel \\ \underline{\text{fix}}(\llbracket M' \rrbracket) & \end{aligned}$$

Lemma

$\{d \mid d \triangleq N\}$
is admissible.

$$d \triangleq_2 \underline{\text{fix}}(M') \stackrel{?}{\Rightarrow} \llbracket M' \rrbracket(d) \triangleq \text{fix}(M')$$

$$\underline{\text{fix}}(\llbracket M' \rrbracket) \triangleq_2 \underline{\text{fix}}(M')$$

$$d \triangleleft \underline{\text{fix}}(M') \stackrel{?}{\Rightarrow} \underline{\llbracket M' \rrbracket}(d) \triangleleft \underline{\text{fix}}(M')$$

Assume $d \triangleleft \underline{\text{fix}}(M')$

By induction $\llbracket M' \rrbracket \triangleleft M'$

Then $\underline{\llbracket M' \rrbracket}(d) \triangleleft M'(\underline{\text{fix}}(M'))$

$$\frac{M'(\underline{\text{fix}}(M')) \Downarrow V}{\underline{\text{fix}}(M') \Downarrow V}$$

Lemma

$$\begin{aligned} & (N \Downarrow V \Rightarrow N' \Downarrow V) \\ \Rightarrow & x \triangleleft N \Rightarrow x \triangleleft N' \end{aligned}$$

Admissibility property

Lemma. For all types τ and $M \in \text{PCF}_\tau$, the set

$$\{ d \in [\tau] \mid d \triangleleft_\tau M \}$$

is an admissible subset of $[\tau]$.

Further properties

Lemma. For all types τ , elements $d, d' \in \llbracket \tau \rrbracket$, and terms $M, N, V \in \text{PCF}_\tau$,

1. If $d \sqsubseteq d'$ and $d' \triangleleft_\tau M$ then $d \triangleleft_\tau M$.
2. If $d \triangleleft_\tau M$ and $\forall V (M \Downarrow_\tau V \implies N \Downarrow_\tau V)$ then $d \triangleleft_\tau N$.

Requirements on the formal approximation relations, IV

We want to be able to proceed by induction.

▶ Consider the case $M = \mathbf{fn} \ x : \tau . M'$.

\rightsquigarrow *substitutivity* property for open terms

$$\frac{RTP}{\llbracket \mathbf{fn} \ x : \tau . M' \rrbracket \triangleleft_{z \rightarrow \sigma} \underline{\mathbf{fn} \ x : \tau . M'}}$$

$$\llbracket \text{fn } x:z.M' \rrbracket \triangleq_{z \rightarrow \sigma} \text{fn } x:z.M'$$

$$\text{iff } \forall d \triangleq_z N. \llbracket \text{fn } x.M' \rrbracket (d) \triangleq (\text{fn } x.M') N$$

Consider $d \triangleq_z N$.

$$\llbracket \text{fn } x.M' \rrbracket = \llbracket x:z \vdash M' \rrbracket : \llbracket z \rrbracket \rightarrow \llbracket \sigma \rrbracket$$

RTP: $\llbracket x:z \vdash M' \rrbracket (d) \triangleq (\text{fn } x:z.M') N \quad (*)$

To show $(*)$, by previous lemma, it will be enough to show **Fundamental Lemma**

$$\llbracket x:z \vdash M' \rrbracket (d) \triangleq M' [N/x]$$

$$\frac{M' [N/x] \Downarrow v}{(\text{fn } x:z.M') N \Downarrow v}$$

Fundamental property

Theorem. For all $\Gamma = \langle x_1 \mapsto \tau_1, \dots, x_n \mapsto \tau_n \rangle$ and all $\Gamma \vdash M : \tau$, if $d_1 \triangleleft_{\tau_1} M_1, \dots, d_n \triangleleft_{\tau_n} M_n$ then $\llbracket \Gamma \vdash M \rrbracket [x_1 \mapsto d_1, \dots, x_n \mapsto d_n] \triangleleft_{\tau} M[M_1/x_1, \dots, M_n/x_n]$.

Case $n=0$ \Downarrow $\llbracket M \rrbracket \triangleleft_z M$

Case $z = \delta \in \{\text{nat}, \text{bool}\}$

\Downarrow
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NB. The case $\Gamma = \emptyset$ reduces to

$$\llbracket M \rrbracket \triangleleft_{\tau} M$$

for all $M \in \text{PCF}_{\tau}$.

Fundamental property of the relations \triangleleft_{τ}

Proposition. *If $\Gamma \vdash M : \tau$ is a valid PCF typing, then for all Γ -environments ρ and all Γ -substitutions σ*

$$\rho \triangleleft_{\Gamma} \sigma \Rightarrow \llbracket \Gamma \vdash M \rrbracket(\rho) \triangleleft_{\tau} M[\sigma]$$

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- $\rho \triangleleft_{\Gamma} \sigma$ means that $\rho(x) \triangleleft_{\Gamma(x)} \sigma(x)$ holds for each $x \in \text{dom}(\Gamma)$.
 - $M[\sigma]$ is the PCF term resulting from the simultaneous substitution of $\sigma(x)$ for x in M , each $x \in \text{dom}(\Gamma)$.

Implications to
Contextual Equivalence

Contextual preorder between PCF terms

Given PCF terms M_1, M_2 , PCF type τ , and a type environment Γ , the relation $\Gamma \vdash M_1 \leq_{\text{ctx}} M_2 : \tau$ is defined to hold iff

- Both the typings $\Gamma \vdash M_1 : \tau$ and $\Gamma \vdash M_2 : \tau$ hold.
- For all PCF contexts \mathcal{C} for which $\mathcal{C}[M_1]$ and $\mathcal{C}[M_2]$ are closed terms of type γ , where $\gamma = \text{nat}$ or $\gamma = \text{bool}$, and for all values $V \in \text{PCF}_\gamma$,

$$\mathcal{C}[M_1] \Downarrow_\gamma V \implies \mathcal{C}[M_2] \Downarrow_\gamma V .$$

Proposition For all PCF types and
all closed PCF terms M_1, M_2 of
type τ ,

$$M_1 \leq_{\text{ctx}} M_2 : \tau \quad \text{i/f} \quad \llbracket M_1 \rrbracket \triangleleft_{\tau} M_2$$

Extensionality properties of \leq_{ctx}

At a ground type $\gamma \in \{\text{bool}, \text{nat}\}$,

$M_1 \leq_{\text{ctx}} M_2 : \gamma$ holds if and only if

$$\forall V \in \text{PCF}_\gamma (M_1 \Downarrow_\gamma V \implies M_2 \Downarrow_\gamma V) .$$

At a function type $\tau \rightarrow \tau'$,

$M_1 \leq_{\text{ctx}} M_2 : \tau \rightarrow \tau'$ holds if and only if

$$\forall M \in \text{PCF}_\tau (M_1 M \leq_{\text{ctx}} M_2 M : \tau') .$$

~ $\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{applicative} \\ \text{contexts} \\ \text{[CM]} \end{array} \right)$