

2-8-06: Strong normalization for System F

Review of the LR

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{C}[\tau]\delta &= \{e \mid e \mapsto^* v \wedge v \in \mathcal{V}[\tau]\delta\} \\
\mathcal{V}[\mathbf{T}]\delta &= \{c\} \\
\mathcal{V}[\tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2]\delta &= \{v \mid \forall v' \in \mathcal{V}[\tau_1]\delta. v(v') \in \mathcal{C}[\tau_2]\delta\} \\
\mathcal{V}[\forall\alpha.\tau]\delta &= \{v \mid \forall\sigma.\emptyset \vdash \sigma \text{ type} \wedge \forall R \in \text{Cand}. v[\sigma] \in \mathcal{C}[\tau]\delta, \alpha \mapsto (\sigma, R)\} \\
\mathcal{V}[\alpha]\delta &= \delta_S(\alpha)
\end{aligned}$$

Lemma [Type substitution] $\mathcal{C}[\tau]\delta, \alpha \mapsto (\delta_T(\sigma), \mathcal{V}[\sigma]\delta) = \mathcal{C}[\tau[\sigma/\alpha]]\delta$. Equivalent to show $\mathcal{V}[\tau]\delta, \alpha \mapsto (\delta_T(\sigma), \mathcal{V}[\sigma]\delta) = \mathcal{V}[\tau[\sigma/\alpha]]\delta$.

Proof: cases and induction on τ . Let $\delta' = \delta, \alpha \mapsto (\delta_T(\sigma), \mathcal{V}[\sigma]\delta)$.

Case: $\tau = \mathbf{T}$. Trivial because $\mathbf{T}[\sigma/\alpha] = \mathbf{T}$.

Case: $\tau = \tau' \rightarrow \tau''$. (\subseteq) Suppose $v \in \mathcal{V}[\tau' \rightarrow \tau'']\delta'$. To show: $v \in \mathcal{V}[\tau[\sigma/\alpha]]\delta$. Note $\tau[\sigma/\alpha] = \tau'[\sigma/\alpha] \rightarrow \tau''[\sigma/\alpha]$. Suppose $v' \in \mathcal{V}[\tau'[\sigma/\alpha]]\delta$. Suffices to show $v(v') \in \mathcal{C}[\tau''[\sigma/\alpha]]\delta$. By induction, $\mathcal{V}[\tau'[\sigma/\alpha]]\delta = \mathcal{V}[\tau']\delta'$, so $v' \in \mathcal{V}[\tau']\delta'$. We can apply the definition of the logical relation to deduce: $v(v') \in \mathcal{C}[\tau'']\delta'$. By induction, $v(v') \in \mathcal{C}[\tau''[\sigma/\alpha]]\delta$.

Other direction is analogous.

Case: $\tau = \alpha$. Need to show $\mathcal{V}[\alpha]\delta' = \mathcal{V}[\alpha[\sigma/\alpha]]\delta$. By definition, $\mathcal{V}[\alpha]\delta' = \mathcal{V}[\sigma]\delta$. Likewise $\mathcal{V}[\alpha[\sigma/\alpha]]\delta = \mathcal{V}[\sigma]\delta$.

Case: $\tau = \beta \neq \alpha$. $\mathcal{V}[\beta]\delta' = \mathcal{V}[\beta[\sigma/\alpha]]\delta$. But $\mathcal{V}[\beta[\sigma/\alpha]]\delta = \mathcal{V}[\beta]\delta = \delta_S(\beta) = \mathcal{V}[\beta]\delta'$.

DO: last case.

Strong normalization

New reduction rules.

$$\frac{e \mapsto e'}{e[\sigma] \mapsto e'[\sigma]} \quad \frac{}{(\Lambda\alpha.e)[\sigma] \mapsto e[\sigma/\alpha]} \quad \frac{e \mapsto e'}{\Lambda\alpha.e \mapsto \Lambda\alpha.e'}$$

Logical relation:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{C}[\mathbf{T}]\delta &= \text{SN} \\
\mathcal{C}[\tau' \rightarrow \tau'']\delta &= \{e \mid \forall e' \in \mathcal{C}[\tau']\delta. e(e') \in \mathcal{C}[\tau'']\delta\} \\
\mathcal{C}[\forall\alpha.\tau]\delta &= \{e \mid \forall\sigma.\emptyset \vdash \sigma \text{ type}. \forall R \in \text{Cand}. e[\sigma] \in \mathcal{C}[\tau]\delta, \alpha \mapsto (\sigma, R)\} \\
\mathcal{C}[\alpha]\delta &= \delta_S(\alpha) \\
\text{Cand} &= \{R \mid R \text{ is a set of terms}\}
\end{aligned}$$

Extension to paths:

$$p ::= x \mid p(e) \mid p[\sigma]$$

Lemma [Main lemma]

1. If $e \in \mathcal{C}[\tau]\delta$ then $e \in \text{SN}$.
2. If $p \in \text{SN}$ then $p \in \mathcal{C}[\tau]\delta$.

Part 1:

Proof: by induction on τ .

Check **T** and $\tau' \rightarrow \tau''$ cases.

Case: $\tau = \alpha$. We know that $e \in \mathcal{C}[\alpha]\delta$ which means that $e \in \delta_S(\alpha)$. No good – we know nothing about $\delta_S(\alpha)$!

We need to know that $\delta_S(\alpha) \in \text{SN}$. We extend Cand:

Cand = $\{R \mid R \text{ is a set of terms, } R \subseteq \text{SN}\}$

Case: $\tau = \forall\alpha.\tau'$. Let $\sigma = \mathbf{T}$ and $R = \text{SN} = \mathcal{C}[\mathbf{T}]\delta$. (Note $R \in \text{Cand}$). By the definition of the logical relation, $e[\sigma] \in \mathcal{C}[\tau']\delta, \alpha \mapsto (\sigma, R)$. By induction, $e[\sigma] \in \text{SN}$. By the subterm property of SN, $e \in \text{SN}$.

Note, we could have chosen $R = \emptyset$, which removes any future proof obligations.

Part 2:

Proof: by induction on τ .

(**T** and arrow are the same as before, but with δ 's)

Case: $\tau = \alpha$. We know $p \in \text{SN}$. Need to show $p \in \delta_S(\alpha)$. We know that $\delta_S(\alpha) \subset \text{SN}$, but this does not imply that $p \in \delta_S(\alpha)$.

Extend Cand:

Cand = $\{R \mid R \text{ is a set of terms, } R \subseteq \text{SN}, p \in \text{SN} \implies p \in R\}$

Case: $\tau = \forall\alpha.\tau'$. Suppose σ is a type and $R \in \text{Cand}$. To show: $p[\sigma] \in \mathcal{C}[\tau']\delta, \alpha \mapsto (\sigma, R)$. Because $p \in \text{SN}$, we have $p[\sigma]$ is also strongly normalizing. By induction, $p[\sigma] \in \mathcal{C}[\tau']\delta, \alpha \mapsto (\sigma, R)$.

New definition: $S ::= \cdot \mid S(e) \mid S[\sigma]$. Write $S[e]$ for e plugged in for the hole in S .

$$\frac{e \in \text{SN}}{S[(\lambda x.e')(e)] \rightarrow_{\text{wh}} S[e'[e/x]]} \quad \frac{}{S[(\Lambda\alpha.e)[\sigma]] \rightarrow_{\text{wh}} S[e[\sigma/\alpha]]}$$

Lemma [Head expansion] If $e \rightarrow_{\text{wh}} e'$ and $e' \in \mathcal{C}[\tau]\delta$ then $e \in \mathcal{C}[\tau]\delta$.

Proof: by induction on τ .

Case: $\tau = \mathbf{T}$. We need that SN is closed under head expansion. Suppose there were an infinite reduction sequence $(\Lambda\alpha.e)[\sigma] \rightarrow_{\text{wh}} \dots \rightarrow_{\text{wh}} (\Lambda\alpha.f)[\sigma] \rightarrow_{\text{wh}} f[\sigma/\alpha]$. This means that $e \rightarrow_{\text{wh}} \dots \rightarrow_{\text{wh}} f$. To show: $e[\sigma/\alpha] \rightarrow_{\text{wh}}^* f[\sigma/\alpha]$ (a lemma).

Case: $\tau = \tau' \rightarrow \tau''$. Suppose $f \in \mathcal{C}[\tau']\delta$. To show: $e(f) \in \mathcal{C}[\tau'']\delta$. By the logical relation, $e'(f) \in \mathcal{C}[\tau'']\delta$. By induction, $e(f) \in \mathcal{C}[\tau'']\delta$. Mr Pedantic says: $e \rightarrow_{\text{wh}} e'$ means $e = S[\dots]$ and $e' = S[\dots]$. So let $S' = S(f)$. Therefore $e(f) = S'[\dots] \rightarrow_{\text{wh}} e'(f) = S'[\dots]$.

Case: $\tau = \alpha$. To show: $e \in \delta_S(\alpha)$. We know that $e \rightarrow_{\text{wh}} e'$ and $e' \in \delta_S(\alpha)$. So, once more, we need to extend Cand.

$\text{Cand} = \{R \mid R \text{ is a set of terms, } R \subseteq \text{SN}, p \in \text{SN} \implies p \in R, e \rightarrow_{\text{wh}} e' \wedge e' \in R \implies e \in R\}$