

Equivalence of Algebraic λ -calculi

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Algebraic calculi

- Algebraic \equiv Module structure

$$(\lambda x.yx + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \lambda x.y(yx)) \lambda z.z$$

- Two origins
 - λ_{alg} \longrightarrow differential calculus
 - λ_{lin} \longrightarrow quantum computation
- Differences in
 - the encoding of the module structure
 - how the reduction rules apply

λ_{alg} and λ_{lin}

share the same set of terms

$$M, N, L ::= V \mid (M) \ N \mid M + N \mid \alpha \cdot M$$

$$U, V, W ::= B \mid \alpha \cdot B \mid V + W \mid \mathbf{0}$$

$$B ::= x \mid \lambda x. M$$

closed under associativity and commutativity

$$M + N = N + M \quad (M + N) + L = M + (N + L)$$

- base term is either a variable or abstraction
- a value is either $\mathbf{0}$ or of the form $\sum \alpha_i \cdot B_i$;
- a general term can be anything.

Rules for λ_{alg}

Group E

$$\begin{array}{lll} \alpha \cdot \mathbf{0} =_a \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} + M =_a M \\ \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot M) =_a (\alpha \times \beta) \cdot M & 0 \cdot M =_a \mathbf{0} \\ 1 \cdot M =_a M & \alpha \cdot (M + N) =_a \alpha \cdot M + \alpha \cdot N \end{array}$$

Group F

$$\alpha \cdot M + \beta \cdot M =_a (\alpha + \beta) \cdot M$$

Group A

$$\begin{array}{l} (M + N) L =_a (M) L + (N) L \\ (\alpha \cdot M) N =_a \alpha \cdot (M) N \\ (\mathbf{0}) M =_a \mathbf{0} \end{array}$$

Group B

$$(\lambda x. M) N \rightarrow_a M[x := N]$$

Rules for λ_{lin}

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Group F

$$\begin{array}{lll} \alpha \cdot M + \beta \cdot M & \xrightarrow{\ell} & (\alpha + \beta) \cdot M \\ \alpha \cdot M + M & \xrightarrow{\ell} & (\alpha + 1) \cdot M \\ M + M & \xrightarrow{\ell} & (1 + 1) \cdot M \end{array}$$

Group A

$$\begin{array}{c} (M + N) L \xrightarrow{\ell} (M) L + (N) L \\ (\alpha \cdot M) N \xrightarrow{\ell} \alpha \cdot (M) N \\ (\mathbf{0}) M \xrightarrow{\ell} \mathbf{0} \end{array} \quad \mid \quad \begin{array}{c} (M) (N + L) \xrightarrow{\ell} (M) N + (M) L \\ (M) \alpha \cdot N \xrightarrow{\ell} \alpha \cdot (M) N \\ (M) \mathbf{0} \xrightarrow{\ell} \mathbf{0} \end{array}$$

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Context rules

Some common rules

$$\frac{M \rightarrow M'}{(M) \ N \rightarrow (M') \ N} \qquad \frac{M \rightarrow M'}{M + N \rightarrow M' + N}$$

$$\frac{N \rightarrow N'}{M + N \rightarrow M + N'} \qquad \frac{M \rightarrow M'}{\alpha \cdot M \rightarrow \alpha \cdot M'}$$

plus one additional rule for λ_{lin}

$$\frac{M \rightarrow_{\ell} M'}{(V) \ M \rightarrow_{\ell} (V) \ M'}$$

Modifications to the original calculi

The most important

- No reduction under lambda (λ à la Plotkin)
- $\lambda x.M$ is a base term for any M

$$\lambda x.(\alpha \cdot M + \beta \cdot N) \neq \alpha \cdot \lambda x.M + \beta \cdot \lambda x.N$$

Confluence

This system is not trivially confluent

Example

Let $Y_b = (\lambda x.(b + (x) x)) (\lambda x.(b + (x) x))$, then

$$0 \leftarrow Y_b - Y_b \rightarrow Y_b + b - Y_b \rightarrow b$$

Several possible solutions

- Type system \rightarrow strong normalisation
- Take scalars as positive reals
- Restrict some of the reduction rules

For this talk, we simply assume that confluence holds.

Question

Can we simulate λ_{lin} with λ_{alg} and λ_{alg} with λ_{lin} ?

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$$\begin{aligned} (\lambda x.f)_f &= (x) f \\ (\lambda 0)_f &= 0 \\ (\lambda x.M)_f &= \lambda x.(\lambda z.(\lambda z.M))_f \\ ((M) N)_f &= ((M)_f) (\lambda z.(\lambda z.N))_f \\ (M + N)_f &= (\lambda z.(\lambda z.(z M + z N)))_f \\ (\alpha \cdot M)_f &= \alpha \cdot (\lambda z.(\lambda z.M))_f \end{aligned}$$

If the encoding $\lambda_{\text{alg}} \rightarrow \lambda_{\text{lin}}$ is denoted with $(-)_f$, one could expect the result

$$M \rightarrow_a^* N \quad \Rightarrow \quad (M)_f \rightarrow_\ell^* (N)_f$$

Problem

Example

$$(\lambda x. \lambda y. (y) \ x) \ I \rightarrow_a \lambda y. (y) \ I,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|(\lambda x. \lambda y. (y) \ x) \ I\|_f &= (\lambda x. \lambda y. ((y) \ f) \ (\lambda z. (x) \ f)) \ (\lambda z \ \lambda x. (x) \ f) \\ &\rightarrow_{\ell}^{*} \lambda y. ((y) \ f) \ (\lambda z. (\lambda z. \lambda x. (x) \ f) \ f), \\ \| \lambda y. (y) \ I \|_f &= \lambda y. ((y) \ f) \ (\lambda z. \lambda x. (x) \ f) \end{aligned}$$

“Administrative” redex hidden in the first one

Removing administrative redexes

$$\text{Admin}_f 0 = 0$$

$$\text{Admin}_f x = x$$

$$\text{Admin}_f (\lambda f. M) f = \text{Admin}_f M$$

$$\text{Admin}_f (M) N = (\text{Admin}_f M) \text{Admin}_f N$$

$$\text{Admin}_f \lambda x. M = \lambda x. \text{Admin}_f M \quad (x \neq f)$$

$$\text{Admin}_f M + N = \text{Admin}_f M + \text{Admin}_f N$$

$$\text{Admin}_f \alpha \cdot M = \alpha \cdot \text{Admin}_f M$$

Theorem (Simulation)

For any program (i.e. closed term) M , and value V ,
if $M \rightarrow_a^* V$ then exists a value W such that

$$(\llbracket M \rrbracket)_f \rightarrow_\ell^* W \text{ and } \text{Admin}_f W = \text{Admin}_f (\llbracket V \rrbracket)_f$$

First,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \xrightarrow[\ell]{} & N \\ \equiv Admin_f \\ M' \end{array}$$

Lemma

If $Admin_f M = Admin_f M'$ and $M \rightarrow_\ell N$ then there exists N' such that $Admin_f N = Admin_f N'$ and such that $M' \rightarrow_\ell^* N'$.

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$Admin_f W = Admin_f M$, then there exists a value V such that
 $M \rightarrow_\ell^* V$ and $Admin_f W = Admin_f V$.

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \xrightarrow{\equiv Admin_f} & \\ & & \searrow \ell^* \\ W & \xrightarrow{\equiv Admin_f} & V \end{array}$$

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Lemma

For any program (i.e. closed term) M , if $M \rightarrow_a N$ and $(\lambda N)_f \rightarrow_\ell^* V$ for a value V , then there exists M' such that $(\lambda M)_f \rightarrow_\ell^* M'$ such that $\text{Admin}_f M' = \text{Admin}_f V$.

Finally,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \quad (\llbracket M \rrbracket_f \xrightarrow[\ell]^* M') \\ \downarrow^a & & \equiv_{Admin_f} \\ N & \quad (\llbracket N \rrbracket_f \xrightarrow[\ell]^* V) \end{array}$$

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$$M \xrightarrow[a]{*} V$$

$$\langle\!\langle M \rangle\!\rangle_f$$

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$$M \xrightarrow{*_a} V$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (\|M\|_f & & (\|V\|_f \\ & \searrow^* & \\ & \ell W & \equiv_{Admin_f} \end{array}$$

Base case

$$V = V$$

$$(\llbracket V \rrbracket_f) = (\llbracket V \rrbracket_f)$$

$$= =$$

$$(\llbracket V \rrbracket_f)$$

Inductive case

$$M' \xrightarrow{>_a} M \xrightarrow{*_a} V$$

$(\!(M')\!)_f$ $(\!M\!)_f$ $(\!(V)\!)_f$
↓ ↓ \equiv_{Admin_f}
 ℓ ℓ ℓ W

Lemma 3 Lemma 2

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 M' & \xrightarrow{\quad (\!(M')\!)_f \quad} & *_{\ell} M'' \\
 \downarrow a & & \downarrow \equiv_{Admin_f} \\
 M & \xrightarrow{\quad (\!M\!)_f \quad} & *_{\ell} W
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 M'' & \searrow & *_{\ell} W' \\
 \equiv_{Admin_f} & & \downarrow \equiv_{Admin_f}
 \end{array}$$

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Simulating λ_{lin} with λ_{alg}

CPS encoding

We define $\| - \| : \lambda_{\text{lin}} \rightarrow \lambda_{\text{alg}}$

$$\begin{aligned}\|x\| &= \lambda f. (f) \ x \\ \|\mathbf{0}\| &= \mathbf{0} \\ \|\lambda x. M\| &= \lambda f. (f) \ \lambda x. \|M\| \\ \|(M) \ N\| &= \lambda f. (\|M\|) \ \lambda g. (\|N\|) \ \lambda h. ((g) \ h) \ f \\ \|\alpha \cdot M\| &= \lambda f. (\alpha \cdot \|M\|) \ f \\ \|M + N\| &= \lambda f. (\|M\| + \|N\|) \ f\end{aligned}$$

Now, given the continuation $I = \lambda x. x$, if $M \rightarrow_{\ell} V$ we want $(\|M\|) I \rightarrow_a W$ for some W related to $\|V\|$

The encoding for values

$$\begin{aligned}\Psi(x) &= x, \\ \Psi(0) &= 0, \\ \Psi(\lambda x.M) &= \lambda x.\llbracket M \rrbracket, \\ \Psi(\alpha \cdot V) &= \alpha \cdot \Psi(V), \\ \Psi(V + W) &= \Psi(V) + \Psi(W).\end{aligned}$$

- $\Psi(V)$ is such that $\llbracket V \rrbracket \rightarrow_a^* \Psi(V)$.

Theorem (Simulation)

$$M \rightarrow_\ell^* V \quad \Rightarrow \quad (\llbracket M \rrbracket) \lambda x.x \rightarrow_a^* \Psi(V).$$

An auxiliary definition

Note that

$$(\|B\|) K = (\lambda f.(f) \Psi(B)) K \rightarrow_a^* (K) \Psi(B).$$

- We define the term $B : K = (K) \Psi(B)$.
- We extend this definition to other terms in some not-so-easy way due to the algebraic properties of the language.
- It is the main difficulty in this proof.

The auxiliary definition

Let $(:) : \lambda_{\text{lin}} \times \lambda_{\text{alg}} \rightarrow \lambda_{\text{alg}}$:

$$B : K = (K) \Psi(B)$$

$$(M + N) : K = M : K + N : K$$

$$\alpha \cdot M : K = \alpha \cdot (M : K)$$

$$\mathbf{0} : K = \mathbf{0}$$

$$(U) B : K = ((\Psi(U)) \Psi(B)) K$$

$$(U) (V + W) : K = ((U) V + (U) W) : K$$

$$(U) (\alpha \cdot B) : K = \alpha \cdot (U) B : K$$

$$(U) \mathbf{0} : K = \mathbf{0}$$

$$(U) N : K = N : \lambda f.((\Psi(U)) f) K$$

$$(M) N : K = M : \lambda g.(\|N\|) \lambda h.((g) h) K$$

Proof

If $M \rightarrow_{\ell}^* V$,

$$(\|M\|) (\lambda x.x)$$

$$\Psi(V)$$

Proof

If K is a value:

- For all M , $(\llbracket M \rrbracket) K \rightarrow_a^* M : K$
- If $M \rightarrow_\ell N$ then $M : K \rightarrow_a^* N : K$
- If V is a value, $V : K \rightarrow_a^* (\llbracket K \rrbracket) \Psi(V)$

If $M \rightarrow_\ell^* V$,

$$(\llbracket M \rrbracket) (\lambda x.x) \rightarrow_a^* M : \lambda x.x$$

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Future and ongoing work

In classical lambda-calculus:

- CPS can also be done to interpret call-by-name in call-by-value [Plotkin 75].
- The thunk construction can be related to CPS [Hatchfield and Danvy 96].

Can we relate to these?

Future and ongoing work

Other interesting questions

- The choice between equality and reduction rules seems arbitrary.

Can we exchange them?

Are the simulations still valid?