# TOWARDS A THEORY OF INTENSIONAL SEMANTICS

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# EXTENSIONAL SEMANTICS

# EXAMPLES

- state transformation semantics for while-programs
- Scott model of simply typed  $\lambda$ -calculus

# FEATURES

- ignores computation details
- models only input-output behavior
- supports reasoning about familiar *extensional* properties
  - Hoare logic for partial correctness
  - -LCF
- can use to show correctness-preservation for program transformations
- cannot distinguish between programs with same input-output behavior
- cannot reason about *intensional* properties

# **INTENSIONAL SEMANTICS**

## EXAMPLES

- Berry-Curien sequential algorithms on concrete data structures
- Brookes-Geva parallel algorithms on generalized concrete data structures

# FEATURES

- models computation strategy
- reasoning about intensional properties
  - order of evaluation
  - degree of parallelism
- can use to show efficiency-improvement of program transformations
- can recover extensional from intensional
- algorithm = function + computation strategy
- intensional models tend to be more concrete

# **RESEARCH AIMS**

Develop a theory of intensional semantics:

- allow semantics at differing levels of abstraction
- show relationships between different models of the same programming language
- show relationship to existing intensional and extensional models
- use intensional semantics to reason about efficiency

# THESIS

Category theory provides a general framework:

- $\bullet$  extensional semantics in a category  ${\cal C}$
- $\bullet$  data types as objects of  ${\cal C}$
- $\bullet$  extensional meanings as morphisms in  ${\cal C}$
- $\bullet$  notion of computation as a comonad T
- intensional semantics in Kleisli category  $\mathcal{C}_T$
- intensional meanings as morphisms in  $\mathcal{C}_T$

#### COMONADS

#### DEFINITION

A comonad over a category  $\mathcal{C}$  is a (co-)triple  $(T, \epsilon, \delta)$  where

- $T: \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{C}$  is a functor
- $\epsilon: T \rightarrow I_{\mathcal{C}}$  is a natural transformation
- $\delta: T \xrightarrow{\cdot} T^2$  is a natural transformation

and for every object A the following associativity and identity laws hold:

$$T(\delta_A) \circ \delta_A = \delta_{TA} \circ \delta_A$$
  

$$\epsilon_{TA} \circ \delta_A = T(\epsilon_A) \circ \delta_A = \operatorname{id}_{TA}.$$

#### INTUITION

- TA is a datatype of computations over A.
- $\epsilon t$  is the value computed by t.
- $\delta t$  is a computation over TA that computes t.

## **KLEISLI CATEGORIES**

#### DEFINITION

Given a comonad  $(T, \epsilon, \delta)$  over C, the *Kleisli* category  $C_T$  is defined by:

- The objects of  $\mathcal{C}_T$  are the objects of  $\mathcal{C}$ .
- The morphisms from A to B in  $C_T$  are the morphisms from TA to B in C.
- The identity morphism  $\widehat{\mathsf{id}}_A$  on A in  $\mathcal{C}_T$  is  $\epsilon_A : TA \to^{\mathcal{C}} A$ .
- The composition in  $\mathcal{C}_T$  of  $a : A \to^{\mathcal{C}_T} B$  and  $a' : B \to^{\mathcal{C}_T} C$  is

$$a' \,\overline{\circ}\, a = a' \circ T a \circ \delta_A.$$

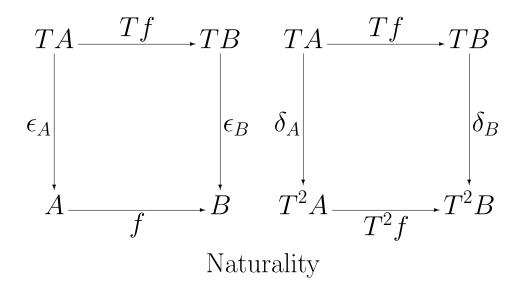
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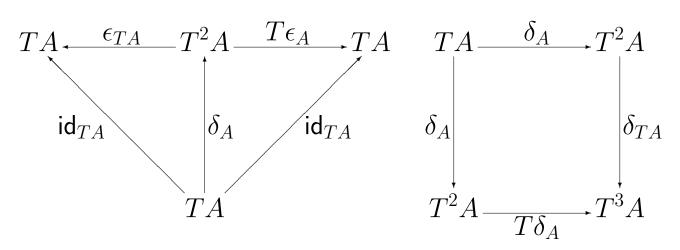
A morphism in  $\mathcal{C}_T$  is an *algorithm*.

# INTUITION

- The intensional meaning of a program is a function from input computations to output values.
- Programs operate in demand-driven, coroutine-like manner (Kahn-MacQueen)
  - program responds to a request for output by performing input computation until it has enough information to determine what output value to produce
- The identity algorithm from A to A simply evaluates its input.
- $a' \bar{\circ} a$  behaves like a' using a to generate input.
- A similar, but sequential, operational model is used by Berry and Curien.

#### **COMONAD DIAGRAMS**





Identity and associativity laws

## COMPUTATIONAL COMONADS

#### DEFINITION

A computational comonad over a category C is a quadruple  $(T, \epsilon, \delta, \gamma)$  such that

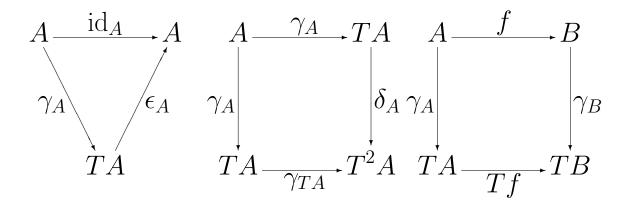
- $(T, \epsilon, \delta)$  is a comonad over  $\mathcal{C}$
- $\gamma: I_{\mathcal{C}} \to T$  is a natural transformation such that, for every object A,

$$-\epsilon_A \circ \gamma_A = \mathsf{id}_A$$

$$-\delta_A \circ \gamma_A = \gamma_{TA} \circ \gamma_A.$$

## INTUITION

 $\gamma x$  is a degenerate computation that computes x.



## RELATING ALGORITHMS AND FUNCTIONS

Let  $(T, \epsilon, \delta, \gamma)$  be a computational comonad.

## DEFINITION

The functors alg and fun between C and  $C_T$  are given by:

- alg :  $\mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{C}_T$  is the identity on objects;
- $\operatorname{alg}(f) = f \circ \epsilon_A$ , for every  $f : A \to^{\mathcal{C}} B$ ;
- fun :  $\mathcal{C}_T \to \mathcal{C}$  is the identity on objects;
- $\operatorname{fun}(a) = a \circ \gamma_A$ , for all  $a : A \to^{\mathcal{C}_T} B$ .

## TERMINOLOGY

- fun(a) is the input-output function of a.
- alg(f) is a (canonical) algorithm computing f.

## **INPUT-OUTPUT EQUIVALENCE**

• fun induces an *input-output equivalence* relation  $=^{io}$  on  $C_T$ :

$$a_1 \stackrel{io}{=} a_2 \iff \operatorname{fun}(a_1) = \operatorname{fun}(a_2).$$

- This relation is a congruence:  $a_1 = {}^{io} a_2 \& a'_1 = {}^{io} a'_2 \implies a'_1 \bar{\circ} a_1 = {}^{io} a'_2 \bar{\circ} a_2.$
- The quotient category of  $C_T$  by  $=^{io}$  is isomorphic to C.
- For all  $f : A \to^{\mathcal{C}} B$ ,  $\mathsf{fun}(\mathsf{alg } f) = f$ .
- For all  $a : A \to^{\mathcal{C}_T} B$ ,  $alg(fun a) =^{io} a$ .

## **PROPERTIES of KLEISLI CATEGORIES**

#### PROPOSITION

If C has distinguished finite products and projections  $\pi_i$ , then  $C_T$  has distinguished finite products, with projections

$$\widehat{\pi}_{i} : A_{1} \times A_{2} \to^{\mathcal{C}_{T}} A_{i} 
\widehat{\pi}_{i} = \epsilon_{A_{i}} \circ T \pi_{i} 
= \pi_{i} \circ \epsilon_{A_{1} \times A_{2}}.$$

#### PROPOSITION

If C is cartesian closed and T preserves finite products, then  $C_T$  is cartesian closed.

[Under more general assumptions the Kleisli category of T is weakly cartesian closed.]

# ALGORITHMS ON DOMAINS

- Let **CONT** be the category of Scott domains and continuous functions.
- We define a computational comonad

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(T, \texttt{val}, \texttt{pre}, \texttt{path})
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over **CONT**.

- Let **ALG** be the Kleisli category of T.
- Morphisms in **ALG** can be viewed as *parallel algorithms*.
- CONT and ALG are cartesian closed.
- We give an extensional and an intensional interpretation for simply typed  $\lambda$ -calculus and prove a Correspondence Theorem.
- **CONT** and **ALG** are ordered categories.
- We use  $\leq^i$  for the pointwise order on algorithms.
- curry and app denote currying and application on algorithms.

## **COMPUTATION ON DOMAINS**

- Let TD be the set of non-decreasing sequences over D, ordered componentwise.
- For  $f: D \to D'$ , let  $Tf: TD \to TD'$  be the function that applies f componentwise:

$$(Tf)\langle d_n\rangle_{n=0}^{\infty} = \langle fd_n\rangle_{n=0}^{\infty}.$$

- For  $t \in TD$  let  $\operatorname{val}_D t$  be the least upper bound of t.
- For  $t = \langle d_n \rangle_{n=0}^{\infty}$  let  $\operatorname{pre}_D t$  be the sequence of prefixes of t: for all  $k \ge 0$ ,

$$(\mathtt{pre}\,t)_k=d_0\ldots d_k d_k^\omega.$$

• For  $d \in D$  let  $\operatorname{path} d = d^{\omega}$ .

# INTUITION

- A computation in *TD* records a sequence of incremental steps towards a value in *D*. Idle steps are permitted.
- Every computation is the limit of its prefixes.
- A degenerate computation consists entirely of idle steps.

## PARALLEL-OR

• The most eager algorithm:

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{epPOR}(\langle \bot, T \rangle^{\omega}) = T \\ & \operatorname{epPOR}(\langle T, \bot \rangle^{\omega}) = T \\ & \operatorname{epPOR}(\langle F, F \rangle^{\omega}) = F \end{aligned}$$

# • The laziest algorithm:

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{lpPOR}(\langle \bot, \bot \rangle^n \langle \bot, T \rangle^\omega) = T \\ & \operatorname{lpPOR}(\langle \bot, \bot \rangle^n \langle T, \bot \rangle^\omega) = T \\ & \operatorname{lpPOR}(\langle \bot, \bot \rangle^n \langle F, F \rangle^\omega) = F \end{aligned}$$

for all  $n \ge 0$ .

• 
$$epPOR \leq^{i} lpPOR.$$

#### LEFT-STRICT-OR

• The most eager sequential algorithm:

$$\begin{split} & \texttt{esLOR}(\langle T, \bot \rangle^{\omega}) \ = \ T \\ & \texttt{esLOR}(\langle F, \bot \rangle \langle F, T \rangle^{\omega}) \ = \ T \\ & \texttt{esLOR}(\langle F, \bot \rangle \langle F, F \rangle^{\omega}) \ = \ F. \end{split}$$

• The most eager parallel algorithm:

$\texttt{epLOR}(\langle T, \bot \rangle^\omega)$	=	T
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• The laziest parallel algorithm:

$$\begin{split} & \operatorname{lpLOR}(\langle \bot, \bot \rangle^n \, \langle T, \bot \rangle^{\omega}) = T \\ & \operatorname{lpLOR}(\langle \bot, \bot \rangle^n \, \langle F, \bot \rangle^m \, \langle F, T \rangle^{\omega}) = T \\ & \operatorname{lpLOR}(\langle \bot, \bot \rangle^n \, \langle F, \bot \rangle^m \, \langle F, F \rangle^{\omega}) = F \end{split}$$
for all  $m, n \ge 0.$ 

$$ullet$$
 epLOR  $\leq^i$  esLOR  $\leq^i$  1pLOR.

• epLOR  $\leq^i$  epPOR.

• 
$$1pLOR \leq^{i} 1pPOR$$
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## **DOUBLY-STRICT-OR**

• The most eager parallel algorithm:

$$\begin{aligned} & \texttt{epSOR}(\langle T, T \rangle^{\omega}) &= T \\ & \texttt{epSOR}(\langle T, F \rangle^{\omega}) &= T \\ & \texttt{epSOR}(\langle F, T \rangle^{\omega}) &= T \\ & \texttt{epSOR}(\langle F, F \rangle^{\omega}) &= F. \end{aligned}$$

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for all  $m, n \ge 0$ .

#### DOUBLY-STRICT-OR

• The most eager sequential left-right algorithm:

$$\begin{aligned} &\operatorname{elrSOR}(\langle T, \bot \rangle \langle T, T \rangle^{\omega}) = T \\ &\operatorname{elrSOR}(\langle T, \bot \rangle \langle T, F \rangle^{\omega}) = T \\ &\operatorname{elrSOR}(\langle F, \bot \rangle \langle F, T \rangle^{\omega}) = T \\ &\operatorname{elrSOR}(\langle F, \bot \rangle \langle F, F \rangle^{\omega}) = F. \end{aligned}$$

• The most eager sequential right-left algorithm:

 $\begin{aligned} &\texttt{erlSOR}(\langle \bot, T \rangle \langle T, T \rangle^{\omega}) = T \\ &\texttt{erlSOR}(\langle \bot, T \rangle \langle F, T \rangle^{\omega}) = T \\ &\texttt{erlSOR}(\langle \bot, F \rangle \langle T, F \rangle^{\omega}) = T \\ &\texttt{erlSOR}(\langle \bot, F \rangle \langle F, F \rangle^{\omega}) = F. \end{aligned}$ 

ullet epSOR  $\leq^i$  elrSOR  $\leq^i$  lpSOR

- ullet epSOR  $\leq^i$  erlSOR  $\leq^i$  lpSOR
- **elrSOR** and **erlSOR** are incomparable.

## COMPOSITION

$$\begin{array}{l} \texttt{esLOR} \ : \mathbf{Bool}^2 \to \mathbf{Bool} \\ \texttt{lpPOR} \ : \mathbf{Bool} \times \mathbf{Bool} \to \mathbf{Bool} \\ \texttt{curry}(\texttt{lpPOR}) \ : \mathbf{Bool} \to \mathbf{Bool} \to \mathbf{Bool} \\ \texttt{curry}(\texttt{lpPOR}) \ \bar{\texttt{o}} \ \texttt{esLOR} \ : \mathbf{Bool}^2 \to \mathbf{Bool} \to \mathbf{Bool} \end{array}$$

This composite algorithm is characterized by:

$$a(\langle \bot, \bot \rangle^{\omega})(\bot^{n}T^{\omega}) = T$$
  

$$a(\langle T, \bot \rangle^{\omega})(\bot^{\omega}) = T$$
  

$$a(\langle F, \bot \rangle \langle F, T \rangle^{\omega})(\bot^{\omega}) = T$$
  

$$a(\langle F, \bot \rangle \langle F, F \rangle^{\omega})(\bot^{n}F^{\omega}) = F$$

for all  $n \ge 0$ .

Note the composite computation strategy: eager sequential in the first argument, lazy in the second.

#### **DE MORGAN ALGORITHMS**

• Let **INEG** and **eNEG** be the most lazy and most eager algorithms for boolean negation:

$$\begin{split} & \operatorname{lneg}(\bot^n T^\omega) \ = \ F \quad (n \ge 0) \\ & \operatorname{lneg}(\bot^n F^\omega) \ = \ T \quad (n \ge 0) \\ & \operatorname{eneg}(T^\omega) \ = \ F, \ \operatorname{eneg}(F^\omega) \ = \ T \end{split}$$

• Let **dual** be the function

 $\lambda a$  . INEG  $\overline{\circ} a \overline{\circ} ($ INEG  $\times$  INEG).

This transforms an algorithm a for a binary truth function f into an algorithm for the dual of f, and interchanges the roles of Tand F in the computation strategy.

- For example, dual(esLOR) = esLAND.
- Let **DUAL** be the canonical algorithm for **dual**.
- **INEG**  $\overline{\circ}$  **INEG** is the identity algorithm, and so is **DUAL**  $\overline{\circ}$  **DUAL**.
- Using eNEG instead of 1NEG can alter the computation strategy:
   eNEG \overline 1pPOR \overline (eNEG \times eNEG) = epAND.

## SIMPLY TYPED LAMBDA CALCULUS

- Let  $\rho$  range over a set of *atomic types*.
- The set **Type** of simple *types* is defined by:  $\tau ::= \rho \mid \tau_1 \times \tau_2 \mid \tau \to \tau'.$
- Let c range over a set **Con** of constants and X range over a set **Ide** of *identifiers*. Each constant c has a given type  $\tau_c$ .
- The set of *raw terms* is defined by:

$$M ::= c \mid X \mid M_1M_2 \mid \lambda X : \tau.M \mid$$
$$(M_1, M_2) \mid \texttt{fst} \ M \mid \texttt{snd} \ M.$$

- A type environment is a finite partial function w from **Ide** to **Type**.
- A type judgement has form  $w \vdash M : \tau$ .

## **TYPE JUDGEMENTS**

$$\label{eq:constraint} \begin{split} \overline{w \vdash c:\tau_c} \\ \overline{w \vdash X:w[\![X]\!]} & \text{when } X \in \operatorname{dom}(w) \\ \\ \underline{w \vdash M_1:(\tau \to \tau') \quad w \vdash M_2:\tau} \\ w \vdash M_1M_2:\tau' \\ \\ \frac{w[\tau/X] \vdash M':\tau'}{w \vdash (\lambda X:\tau.M'):\tau \to \tau'} \\ \\ \frac{w \vdash M_1:\tau_1 \quad w \vdash M_2:\tau_2}{w \vdash (M_1,M_2):\tau_1 \times \tau_2} \\ \\ \\ \frac{w \vdash M:\tau_1 \times \tau_2}{w \vdash \operatorname{fst} M:\tau_1} & \frac{w \vdash M:\tau_1 \times \tau_2}{w \vdash \operatorname{snd} M:\tau_2} \end{split}$$

#### **TYPE INTERPRETATIONS**

- Assume given a domain  $A_{\rho}$  for each atomic type  $\rho$ .
- The extensional and intensional type interpretations

$$E = (E_{\tau} \mid \tau \in \mathbf{Type})$$
$$I = (I_{\tau} \mid \tau \in \mathbf{Type})$$

are defined by:

$$E_{\rho} = A_{\rho} \qquad I_{\rho} = A_{\rho}$$
  

$$E_{\tau_1 \times \tau_2} = E_{\tau_1} \times E_{\tau_2} \qquad I_{\tau_1 \times \tau_2} = I_{\tau_1} \times I_{\tau_2}$$
  

$$E_{\tau \to \tau'} = E_{\tau} \to E_{\tau'} \qquad I_{\tau \to \tau'} = I_{\tau} \to^i I_{\tau'}.$$

- Products and exponentiations are taken in **CONT** and **ALG**, respectively.
- $I_{\tau} \to^i I_{\tau'} = TI_{\tau} \to I_{\tau'}.$

## **ENVIRONMENTS**

Let w be a type environment.

• An extensional *w*-environment maps each identifier in scope to an extensional value of appropriate type:

$$\operatorname{Env}_{Ew} = \prod_{X \in \operatorname{dom}(w)} E_{w[\![X]\!]}.$$

- When  $w \vdash M : \tau$  the extensional meaning of M is a function from  $\operatorname{Env}_{Ew}$  to  $E_{\tau}$ .
- An intensional *w*-environment maps each identifier in scope to an intensional value of appropriate type:

 $\operatorname{Env}_{Iw} = \prod_{X \in \operatorname{dom}(w)} I_{w[\![X]\!]}.$ 

- When  $w \vdash M : \tau$  the intensional meaning of M is an algorithm from  $Env_{Iw}$  to  $I_{\tau}$ .
- Since T preserves finite products,

$$T(\operatorname{Env}_{Iw}) = \prod_{X \in \operatorname{dom}(w)} TI_{w[X]},$$

so identifiers get bound to *computations* in the intensional semantics.

#### **EXTENSIONAL SEMANTICS**

• Assume given an extensional interpretation  $[\![c]\!]_E \in E_{\tau_c}$ 

for each constant c.

• The extensional semantics is the family of semantic functions

 $\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_{w,\tau} : \mathbf{Term}_{w,\tau} &\to (\operatorname{Env}_{Ew} \to E_{\tau}) \\ \text{defined by:} \\ & \mathcal{E}\llbracket c \rrbracket \epsilon = \llbracket c \rrbracket_E \\ & \mathcal{E}\llbracket X \rrbracket \epsilon = \epsilon \llbracket X \rrbracket \\ & \mathcal{E}\llbracket M_1 M_2 \rrbracket \epsilon = (\operatorname{app} \circ \langle \mathcal{E}\llbracket M_1 \rrbracket, \mathcal{E}\llbracket M_2 \rrbracket \rangle) \epsilon \\ &= (\mathcal{E}\llbracket M_1 \rrbracket \epsilon) (\mathcal{E}\llbracket M_2 \rrbracket \epsilon) \\ & \mathcal{E}\llbracket \lambda X : \tau. M \rrbracket \epsilon = \operatorname{curry} (\mathcal{E}\llbracket M \rrbracket) \epsilon \\ &= \lambda e \in E_{\tau}. \mathcal{E}\llbracket M \rrbracket (\epsilon [e/X]) \\ & \mathcal{E}\llbracket (M_1, M_2) \rrbracket \epsilon = (\mathcal{E}\llbracket M_1 \rrbracket \epsilon, \mathcal{E}\llbracket M \rrbracket (\epsilon [e/X])) \\ & \mathcal{E}\llbracket \operatorname{fst} M \rrbracket \epsilon = \pi_1 (\mathcal{E}\llbracket M \rrbracket \epsilon) \\ & \mathcal{E}\llbracket \operatorname{snd} M \rrbracket \epsilon = \pi_2 (\mathcal{E}\llbracket M \rrbracket \epsilon). \end{aligned}$ 

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 $\mathcal{I}_{w,\tau}: \mathbf{Term}_{w,\tau} \to (T \operatorname{Env}_{Iw} \to I_{\tau})$ 

defined by:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{I}\llbracket c \rrbracket \iota &= \llbracket c \rrbracket_I \\ \mathcal{I}\llbracket X \rrbracket \iota &= \operatorname{val}(\iota\llbracket X \rrbracket) \\ \mathcal{I}\llbracket M_1 M_2 \rrbracket \iota &= (\widehat{\operatorname{app}} \mathbin{\bar{\circ}} \langle \mathcal{I}\llbracket M_1 \rrbracket, \mathcal{I}\llbracket M_2 \rrbracket \rangle) \iota \\ &= (\mathcal{I}\llbracket M_1 \rrbracket \iota) (T(\mathcal{I}\llbracket M_2 \rrbracket) (\operatorname{pre} \iota)) \\ \mathcal{I}\llbracket \lambda X : \tau. M \rrbracket \iota &= \operatorname{curry}(\mathcal{I}\llbracket M \rrbracket) \iota \\ &= \lambda t \in TI_{\tau}. \mathcal{I}\llbracket M \rrbracket (\iota[t/X]) \\ \mathcal{I}\llbracket (M_1, M_2) \rrbracket \iota &= (\mathcal{I}\llbracket M_1 \rrbracket \iota, \mathcal{I}\llbracket M \rrbracket (\iota[t/X]) \\ \mathcal{I}\llbracket \operatorname{fst} M \rrbracket \iota &= \pi_1(\mathcal{I}\llbracket M \rrbracket \iota) \\ \mathcal{I}\llbracket \operatorname{snd} M \rrbracket \iota &= \pi_2(\mathcal{I}\llbracket M \rrbracket \iota). \end{split}$$

## RELATING TYPE INTERPRETATIONS

Define a type-indexed family of relations

$$\sim_{\tau} \subseteq I_{\tau} \times E_{\tau}$$

by:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \sim_{\rho} &=& \operatorname{id}_{A\rho} \\ \sim_{\tau_{1}\times\tau_{2}} &=& \{((i_{1},i_{2}),(e_{1},e_{2})) \mid i_{1}\sim_{\tau_{1}}e_{1} \& i_{2}\sim_{\tau_{2}}e_{2}\} \\ \sim_{\tau\to\tau'} &=& \{(a,f) \mid \forall (i,e) \in I_{\tau} \times E_{\tau}. \\ & & i \sim_{\tau} e \implies \operatorname{fun}(a)i \sim_{\tau'} f(e)\} \end{array}$$

#### PROPERTIES

• Algorithm compositions relate to function compositions:

 $a \sim_{\tau \to \tau'} f \& a' \sim_{\tau' \to \tau''} f' \Rightarrow (a' \bar{\circ} a) \sim_{\tau \to \tau''} (f' \circ f).$ 

• Currying of algorithms relates to currying of functions:

$$a \sim_{\tau_1 \times \tau_2 \to \tau'} f \Rightarrow \operatorname{curry}(a) \sim_{\tau_1 \to (\tau_2 \to \tau')} \operatorname{curry}(f).$$

## **RELATING ENVIRONMENTS**

Let w be a type environment,  $\iota \in T \operatorname{Env}_{Iw}$ ,  $\epsilon \in \operatorname{Env}_{Ew}$ .

#### DEFINITION

 $\iota \sim \epsilon$  iff for all  $X : \tau \in w$ , there is a pair  $(i, e) \in I_{\tau} \times E_{\tau}$  such that  $\iota[X] = \operatorname{path} i, \epsilon[X] = e$ , and  $i \sim_{\tau} e$ .

So  $\iota$  relates to  $\epsilon$  iff for all relevant identifiers X,  $\iota[\![X]\!]$  is a degenerate computation of an intensional value that relates to the extensional value  $\epsilon[\![X]\!]$ .

This is similar to a *logical relation*, but not identical because of the use of fun.

# **RELATING SEMANTICS**

## INTUITION

Whenever  $\iota \sim \epsilon$ , the intensional meaning of a well-typed term in  $\iota$  relates to its extensional meaning in  $\epsilon$ .

# PROPOSITION

- Assume that for each constant c,  $\llbracket c \rrbracket_I \sim_{\tau_c} \llbracket c \rrbracket_E$ .
- Then for all  $M \in \mathbf{Term}_{w,\tau}$ , all  $\iota \in T \operatorname{Env}_{Iw}$ , and all  $\epsilon \in \operatorname{Env}_{Ew}$ ,

$$\iota \sim \epsilon \; \Rightarrow \; \mathcal{I}\llbracket M \rrbracket \iota \sim_{\tau} \mathcal{E}\llbracket M \rrbracket \epsilon.$$

PROOF:

by induction on the proof of  $w \vdash M : \tau$ .

#### EXT and INT

#### DEFINITION

Define two type-indexed families of functions

 $\operatorname{ext}_{\tau}: I_{\tau} \to E_{\tau} \qquad \operatorname{int}_{\tau}: E_{\tau} \to I_{\tau}$ 

by induction on  $\tau$ :

- For  $\rho \in \text{Atomic}$ ,  $\text{ext}_{\rho}$  and  $\text{int}_{\rho}$  are the identity function.
- For product types:

 $\operatorname{ext}_{ au_1 imes au_2} = \operatorname{ext}_{ au_1} imes\operatorname{ext}_{ au_2} \qquad \operatorname{int}_{ au_1 imes au_2} = \operatorname{int}_{ au_1} imes\operatorname{int}_{ au_2}.$ 

• For an exponentiation  $\tau \to \tau'$  let:

 $\begin{aligned} \mathsf{ext}_{\tau \to \tau'} &= \lambda a \ . \ \mathsf{ext}_{\tau'} \circ \mathsf{fun}(a) \circ \mathsf{int}_{\tau} \\ \mathsf{int}_{\tau \to \tau'} &= \lambda f \ . \ \mathsf{alg}(\mathsf{int}_{\tau'} \circ f \circ \mathsf{ext}_{\tau}). \end{aligned}$ 

## TERMINOLOGY

- $ext_{\tau}(a)$  is the *extension* of a.
- $\operatorname{int}_{\tau}(e)$  is the *intension* of e.

#### **PROPERTIES of EXT and INT**

- Atomic types have no (extra) intensional content.
- When  $\tau$  is a product of atomic types  $ext_{\tau \to \tau'}$  is fun, and  $int_{\tau \to \tau'}$  is alg.
- For each  $\tau$ ,  $E_{\tau}$  is a retract of  $I_{\tau}$ : for all  $e \in E_{\tau}$  and all  $a \in I_{\tau}$ ,  $e = \operatorname{ext}_{\tau}(\operatorname{int}_{\tau} e),$  $a \leq^{i} \operatorname{int}_{\tau}(\operatorname{ext}_{\tau} a).$

Thus every extensional value is the extension of some intensional value.

#### EXTENSIONAL EQUIVALENCE

#### DEFINITION

- $a_1$  is extensionally below  $a_2$ , written  $a_1 \leq^e a_2$ , iff  $ext_{\tau} a_1 \leq ext_{\tau} a_2$ .
- $a_1$  and  $a_2$  are extensionally equivalent, written  $a_1 = a_2$ , iff they have the same extension.

#### PROPOSITION

- For all  $a_1, a_2 \in I_{\tau}, a_1 \leq^i a_2$  implies  $a_1 \leq^e a_2$ .
- Hence, the quotient of  $I_{\tau}$  by extensional equivalence is isomorphic to  $E_{\tau}$ , with  $ext_{\tau}$  and  $int_{\tau}$  inducing the isomorphism:

$$(I_{\tau}, \leq^i)/_{=^e} \cong (E_{\tau}, \leq).$$

• For all  $a_1, a_2 \in I_{\tau \to \tau'}, a_1 \leq^{io} a_2$  implies  $a_1 \leq^e a_2$ .

## **CORRESPONDENCE THEOREM**

## PROPOSITION

For all  $\tau$ , and all  $i \in I_{\tau}$  and  $e \in E_{\tau}$ ,

- $i \sim_{\tau} e \Rightarrow e = \operatorname{ext}_{\tau} i.$
- $\operatorname{int}_{\tau} e \sim_{\tau} e$ .

## COROLLARY

Assume that for all  $c \in \mathbf{Con}$ ,  $[\![c]\!]_I \sim_{\tau_c} [\![c]\!]_E$ . Then for all  $M \in \mathbf{Term}_{w,\tau}$  and all  $\iota \in T \operatorname{Env}_{Iw}$ ,  $\epsilon \in \operatorname{Env}_{Ew}, \, \iota \sim \epsilon \implies \operatorname{ext}_{\tau}(\mathcal{I}[\![M]\!]\iota) = \mathcal{E}[\![M]\!]\epsilon$ .

# INTUITION

- For a well-typed term M and all suitably related intensional and extensional environments, the extensional meaning of M is the extension of its intensional meaning.
- The extensional semantics is faithfully embedded in the intensional semantics.

# **INTENSIONAL MODELS of PCF**

- Choose an intensional interpretation for each PCF constant: e.g.
  - a particular sequential algorithm
  - a most eager parallel algorithm
  - a most lazy parallel algorithm

for the corresponding function.

- The corresponding intensional model of PCF will relate sensibly to the standard extensional model.
- For any well-typed closed PCF term, the extension of its intensional meaning is the same as its extensional meaning.
- This holds even for terms using the Y-operator, relating the meaning of recursively defined algorithms and functions.

## **GENERALITY of APPROACH**

- Berry-Curien sequential algorithms can be embedded in the parallel algorithms model.
- Can vary the extensional category, e.g.
  - effectively given domains and computable functions
  - concrete domains and sequential functions
  - dI-domains and stable functions
- Can vary the comonad, e.g.
  - non-decreasing sequences
  - increasing sequences
  - finite and infinite sequences
  - timed data

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