
From MELL Proof-Nets to Explicit Substitution Calculi

Agenda for Today

- 1 Motivations
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- Give a computational meaning to contraction and weakening.
- Understand the behaviour of contraction and weakening when implementing lambda-calculus.
- Study properties of the underlying calculus.

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The Untyped λ lr-calculus

<i>(Terms)</i>	$t, u ::=$	x	<i>variable</i>
		$\lambda x.t$	<i>abstraction</i>
		$t u$	<i>application</i>
		$t[x/u]$	<i>substitution</i>
		$W_x(t)$	<i>weakening</i>
		$C_x^{y,z}(t)$	<i>contraction</i>

Free Variables:

$$\mathbf{fv}(x) \quad := \quad \{x\}$$

$$\mathbf{fv}(tu) \quad := \quad \mathbf{fv}(t) \cup \mathbf{fv}(u)$$

$$\mathbf{fv}(W_x(t)) \quad := \quad \mathbf{fv}(t) \cup \{x\}$$

$$\mathbf{fv}(\lambda x.t) \quad := \quad \mathbf{fv}(t) \setminus \{x\}$$

$$\mathbf{fv}(t[x/u]) \quad := \quad (\mathbf{fv}(t) \setminus \{x\}) \cup \mathbf{fv}(u)$$

$$\mathbf{fv}(C_x^{y,z}(t)) \quad := \quad (\mathbf{fv}(t) \setminus \{y, z\}) \cup \{x\}$$

We only consider *well-formed* terms:

- Linearity
- Compulsory presence
- Barendregt's convention

Notation Given $\Phi \subseteq \mathbf{fv}(t)$, $R_{\Delta}^{\Phi}(t)$ denotes the renaming of Φ by Δ . Example:

$$R_{y_1 y_2}^{x_1 x_2}(x_1 x_2 x_3) = y_1 y_2 x_3.$$

Congruence I

AC of contraction:

$$C_w^{x,y}(C_x^{z,y}(t)) \equiv C_w^{x,y}(C_x^{z,v}(t)) \quad \text{if } x \neq y, v$$

$$C_x^{y,z}(t) \equiv C_x^{z,y}(t)$$

$$C_{x'}^{y',z'}(C_x^{y,z}(t)) \equiv C_x^{y,z}(C_{x'}^{y',z'}(t)) \quad \text{if } x \neq y', z' \text{ \& } x' \neq y, z$$

C of weakening:

$$W_x(W_y(t)) \equiv W_y(W_x(t))$$

Commutativity of substitutions:

$$t[x/u][y/v] \equiv t[y/v][x/u] \text{ if } y \notin \mathbf{fv}(u) \ \& \ x \notin \mathbf{fv}(v)$$

Contraction and substitution have the same status:

$$C_w^{y,z}(t)[x/u] \equiv C_w^{y,z}(t[x/u]) \text{ if } x \neq w \ \& \ y, z \notin \mathbf{fv}(u)$$

$$(B) \quad (\lambda x.t) u \rightarrow t[x/u]$$

<i>(Abs)</i>	$(\lambda y.t)[x/u]$	\rightarrow	$\lambda y.t[x/u]$	
<i>(App1)</i>	$(t\ v)[x/u]$	\rightarrow	$t[x/v]\ v$	if $x \in \mathbf{fv}(t)$
<i>(App2)</i>	$(t\ v)[x/u]$	\rightarrow	$t\ v[x/u]$	if $x \in \mathbf{fv}(v)$
<i>(Var)</i>	$x[x/u]$	\rightarrow	u	
<i>(Weak1)</i>	$W_x(t)[x/u]$	\rightarrow	$W_{\mathbf{fv}(u)}(t)$	
<i>(Weak2)</i>	$W_y(t)[x/u]$	\rightarrow	$W_y(t[x/u])$	if $x \neq y$
<i>(Cont1)</i>	$C_x^{y,z}(t)[x/u]$	\rightarrow	$C_{\Phi}^{\Delta,\Pi}(t[y/u_1][z/u_2])$	where $\Phi := \mathbf{fv}(u)$
<i>(Comp)</i>	$t[y/v][x/u]$	\rightarrow	$t[y/v[x/u]]$	if $x \in \mathbf{fv}(v)$

<i>(WAbs)</i>	$\lambda x. W_y(t)$	\rightarrow	$W_y(\lambda x.t)$	$x \neq y$
<i>(WApp1)</i>	$W_y(u) v$	\rightarrow	$W_y(u v)$	
<i>(WApp2)</i>	$u W_y(v)$	\rightarrow	$W_y(u v)$	
<i>(WSubs)</i>	$t[x/W_y(u)]$	\rightarrow	$W_y(t[x/u])$	
<i>(Merge)</i>	$C_w^{y,z}(W_y(t))$	\rightarrow	$R_w^z(t)$	
<i>(Cross)</i>	$C_w^{y,z}(W_x(t))$	\rightarrow	$W_x(C_w^{y,z}(t))$	$x \neq y, x \neq z$
<i>(CAbs)</i>	$C_w^{y,z}(\lambda x.t)$	\rightarrow	$\lambda x. C_w^{y,z}(t)$	
<i>(CApp1)</i>	$C_w^{y,z}(t u)$	\rightarrow	$C_w^{y,z}(t) u$	$y, z \in \mathbf{fv}(t)$
<i>(CApp2)</i>	$C_w^{y,z}(t u)$	\rightarrow	$t C_w^{y,z}(u)$	$y, z \in \mathbf{fv}(u)$
<i>(CSubs)</i>	$C_w^{y,z}(t[x/u])$	\rightarrow	$t[x/C_w^{y,z}(u)]$	$y, z \in \mathbf{fv}(u)$

The reduction relation λ_{lxr}

The reduction relation is generated by the previous rewriting rules and congruence axioms:

$$t \rightarrow_{\lambda_{\text{lxr}}} t' \text{ iff } \exists t_1, t_2 \ t \equiv t_1 \rightarrow_{B+\text{x}+t} t_2 \equiv t'$$

Example

$$\begin{aligned} & (\lambda x. W_u(C_x^{y,z}(y z))) w && \rightarrow \\ & W_u(C_x^{y,z}(y z))[x/w] && \rightarrow \\ & W_u(C_x^{y,z}(y z))[x/w] && \rightarrow \\ & W_u(C_w^{w_1, w_2}((y z)[y/w_1][z/w_2])) && \rightarrow \\ & W_u(C_w^{w_1, w_2}((y[y/w_1] z)[z/w_2])) && \rightarrow \\ & W_u(C_w^{w_1, w_2}(y[y/w_1] z[z/w_2])) && \rightarrow \\ & W_u(C_w^{w_1, w_2}(w_1 z[z/w_2])) && \rightarrow \\ & W_u(C_w^{w_1, w_2}(w_1 w_2)) \end{aligned}$$

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Properties of the $\lambda\lambda_{\text{xr}}$ -calculus

- 1 (Full composition) $t[x/v] \rightarrow^* t\{x = v\}$
for an *appropriate* notion of meta-substitution (acting on terms containing in principle non-evaluated substitutions)
- 2 (Preservation of free variables) If $t \rightarrow_{\lambda\lambda_{\text{xr}}} t'$, then $\mathbf{fv}(t) = \mathbf{fv}(t')$
- 3 (Convergence) $\mathbf{x}t = \mathbf{x} \cup \mathbf{t}$ is convergent (terminating and confluent).
Which is the form of a term in $\mathbf{x}t$ -normal form?

$\mathcal{B}()$ hides resource control

$$\lambda 1x r \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{B}()} \\ \mathcal{A}() \\ \longleftarrow \end{array} \lambda$$

$\mathcal{A}()$ introduces resource operators

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{B}(x) &= x \\ \mathcal{B}(\lambda x.t) &= \lambda x.\mathcal{B}(t) \\ \mathcal{B}(W_x(t)) &= \mathcal{B}(t) \\ \mathcal{B}(C_x^{y,z}(t)) &= \mathcal{B}(t)\{y \setminus x\}\{z \setminus x\} \\ \mathcal{B}(t u) &= \mathcal{B}(t) \mathcal{B}(u) \\ \mathcal{B}(t[x/u]) &= \mathcal{B}(t)\{x \setminus \mathcal{B}(u)\}\end{aligned}$$

Lemma

- 1 If $M \equiv N$, then $\mathcal{B}(M) = \mathcal{B}(N)$.
- 2 If $M \rightarrow_B N$, then $\mathcal{B}(M) \rightarrow_{\beta}^* \mathcal{B}(N)$.
- 3 If $M \rightarrow_{\text{xt}} N$, then $\mathcal{B}(M) = \mathcal{B}(N)$.

Proposition [Projecting λ_{lr} -reductions] $M \rightarrow_{\lambda_{\text{lr}}} N$, then $\mathcal{B}(M) \rightarrow_{\beta}^* \mathcal{B}(N)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{A}(x) &:= x \\
\mathcal{A}(\lambda x.t) &:= \lambda x.\mathcal{A}(t) && \text{if } x \in \mathbf{fv}(t) \\
\mathcal{A}(\lambda x.t) &:= \lambda x.W_x(\mathcal{A}(t)) && \text{if } x \notin \mathbf{fv}(t) \\
\mathcal{A}(tu) &:= C_{\Phi}^{\Delta, \Pi}(R_{\Delta}^{\Phi}(\mathcal{A}(t)) R_{\Pi}^{\Phi}(\mathcal{A}(u))) && \text{where } \Phi := \mathbf{fv}(t) \cap \mathbf{fv}(u)
\end{aligned}$$

Example: $\mathcal{A}(\lambda x.y y) = \lambda x.W_x(C_y^{z,z'}(z z'))$

Lemma

For all λ -terms t and u such that $x \in \text{fv}(t)$, we have

$$C_{\Phi}^{\Delta, \Pi}(R_{\Delta}^{\Phi}(\mathcal{A}(t))[x/R_{\Pi}^{\Phi}(\mathcal{A}(u))]) \rightarrow_{\text{xt}}^* \mathcal{A}(t\{x\backslash u\})$$

where $\Phi := (\text{fv}(t) \setminus \{x\}) \cap \text{fv}(u)$.

Proposition [Simulating β -reductions]

If $t \rightarrow_{\beta} t'$, then $\mathcal{A}(t) \rightarrow_{\lambda\lambda_{\text{xr}}}^+ W_{\text{fv}(t) \setminus \text{fv}(t')}(\mathcal{A}(t'))$.

Example $t = (\lambda x.y)z \rightarrow_{\beta} y = t'$ and $\mathcal{A}(t) = (\lambda x.W_x(y))z \rightarrow_{\lambda\lambda_{\text{xr}}}^+ W_z(\mathcal{A}(y))$.

$\mathcal{B}()$ hides resource control

$$t \xrightarrow{*}_{\text{xt}} W_{\Pi}(\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{B}(t))) \quad \lambda \text{lxr} \quad \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{B}()} \\ \lambda \\ \xleftarrow{\mathcal{A}()} \end{array} \quad t = \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{A}(t))$$

$\mathcal{A}()$ introduces resource operators

Example: $t = (\lambda x.W_x(y))W_z(z') \xrightarrow{*}_{\text{xt}} W_z((\lambda x.W_x(y))z') = W_z(\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{B}(t)))$.

Lemma

The α -normal form of t is $W_{\text{fv}(t) \setminus \text{fv}(\mathcal{B}(t))}(\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{B}(t)))$.

Example Let $t = C_x^{x_1, x_2}((\lambda y. x_1 (x_2 W_y(z))) W_k(w))$. Then
 $\alpha(t) = W_k((\lambda y. W_y(C_x^{x_1, x_2}(x_1 (x_2 z)))) w)$.

Theorem (Confluence modulo)

The reduction relation λ -normal is confluent (even on terms with meta-variables).

Theorem

(PSN) If $M \in SN^\beta$ then $\mathcal{A}(M) \in SN^{\lambda\text{1xr}}$.

The λ1xr -calculus breaks Mellies' counter-example of non-termination.

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Typing Rules for the $\lambda 1_{xr}$ -calculus

$$\begin{array}{c} \frac{}{x : A \vdash x : A} \quad (\text{ax}) \quad \frac{\Delta \vdash u : B \quad \Gamma, x : B \vdash t : A}{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash t[x/u] : A} \quad (\text{cut}) \\ \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash t : A \rightarrow B \quad \Delta \vdash u : A}{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash (t u) : B} \quad (\rightarrow \text{e}) \quad \frac{\Gamma, x : A \vdash t : B}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x. t : A \rightarrow B} \quad (\rightarrow \text{i}) \\ \\ \frac{\Gamma, x : B, y : B \vdash t : A}{\Gamma, z : B \vdash C_z^{x,y}(t) : A} \quad (\text{c}) \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash t : A}{\Gamma, x : B \vdash W_x(t) : A} \quad (\text{w}) \end{array}$$

where Γ, Δ is only defined if Γ and Δ do not share variables.

Notation We write $\Gamma \vdash_{\lambda 1_{xr}} t : A$ if $\Gamma \vdash t : A$ is derivable in this system.

Remark If $\Gamma \vdash_{\lambda 1_{xr}} t : A$, then $\text{fv}(t) = \text{dom}(\Gamma)$.

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Some Relevant Typed Properties

1 (Relating λlxr -typing and λ -typing)

1 If $\Gamma \vdash_a t : A$ then $\Gamma \vdash_{\lambda\text{lxr}} W_{\Gamma \setminus \text{fv}(t)}(\mathcal{A}(t)) : A$

2 If $\Gamma \vdash_{\lambda\text{lxr}} t : A$ then $\Gamma \vdash_a \mathcal{B}(t) : A$

2 (Subject reduction) If $\Gamma \vdash_{\lambda\text{lxr}} t : A$ and $t \rightarrow_{\lambda\text{lxr}} t'$, then $\Gamma \vdash_{\lambda\text{lxr}} t' : A$.

(Call-by-Name) Translation of Formulae

$$\begin{aligned} \iota^+ &:= \iota \\ (A \rightarrow B)^+ &:= ?(A^-) \wp B^+ \\ A^- &:= (A^+)^{\perp} \end{aligned}$$

Translation of Derivations

Let $\Gamma = x_1 : B_1, \dots, x_n : B_n$. Then $\Gamma \vdash_{\lambda 1xr} t : A$ translates to a MELL Proof-Net written $(\Gamma \vdash t : A)^{\circ}$ with interface $? \Gamma^-, A^+$, where $? \Gamma^-$ means $? B_1^-, \dots, ? B_n^-$

Translating (ax)

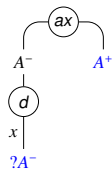
Original derivation:

$$\frac{}{x : A \vdash x : A} \text{ (ax)}$$

Sequent Translation:

$$\frac{\frac{}{\vdash A^-, A^+}}{\vdash ?A^-, A^+}$$

Proof-Net Translation:



Translating (\rightarrow e)

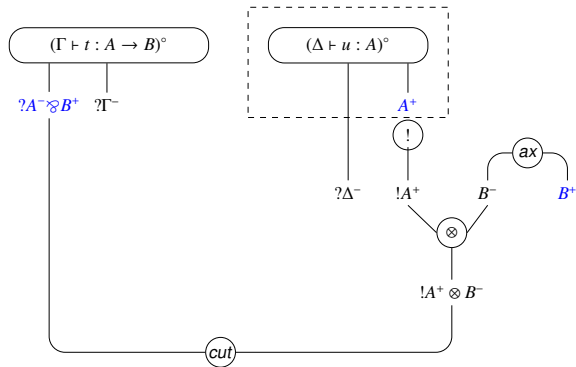
Original derivation:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t : A \rightarrow B \quad \Delta \vdash u : A}{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash tu : B} (\rightarrow \text{ e})$$

Sequent Translation:

$$\frac{\frac{i.h.}{\vdash ?\Gamma^-, ?A^- \wp B^+} \quad \frac{\frac{i.h.}{\vdash ?\Delta^-, A^+} \quad \frac{\vdash B^-, B^+}{\vdash ?\Delta^-, !A^+}}{\vdash ?\Delta^-, !A^+ \otimes B^-, A^+}}{\vdash ?\Gamma^-, ?\Delta^-, B^+}$$

Proof-Net Translation:



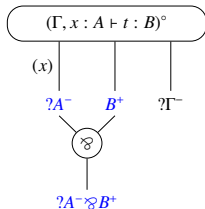
Original derivation:

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : A \vdash t : B}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x.t : A \rightarrow B} (\rightarrow \text{ i})$$

Sequent Translation:

$$\frac{\frac{i.h.}{\vdash ?\Gamma^-, ?A^-, B^+}}{\vdash ?\Gamma^-, ?A^- \wp B^+}$$

Proof-Net Translation:



Translating (cut)

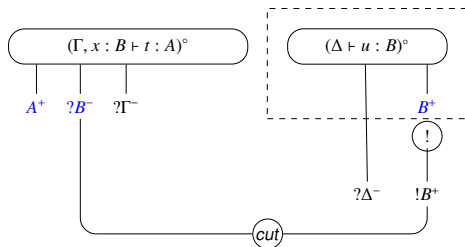
Original derivation:

$$\frac{\Delta \vdash u : B \quad \Gamma, x : B \vdash t : A}{\Delta, \Gamma \vdash t[x \setminus u] : A} \text{ (cut)}$$

Sequent Translation:

$$\frac{\frac{i.h.}{\vdash ?\Delta^-, B^+} \quad \frac{i.h.}{\vdash ?\Gamma^-, ?B^-, A^+}}{\vdash ?\Delta^-, !B^+} \quad \frac{\vdash ?\Delta^-, !B^+ \quad \vdash ?\Gamma^-, ?B^-, A^+}{\vdash ?\Delta^-, ?\Gamma^-, A^+}$$

Proof-Net Translation:



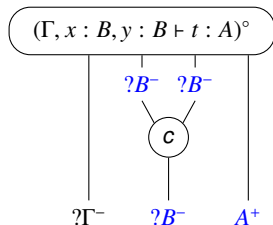
Original derivation:

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : B, y : B \vdash t : A}{\Gamma, z : B \vdash C_z^{x,y}(t) : A} \text{ (c)}$$

Sequent Translation:

$$\frac{\vdash ?\Gamma^-, ?B^-, ?B^-, A^+}{\vdash ?\Gamma^-, ?B^-, A^+}$$

Proof-Net Translation:



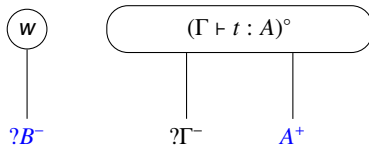
Original derivation:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t : A}{\Gamma, x : B \vdash W_x(t) : A} \text{ (w)}$$

Sequent Translation:

$$\frac{\vdash ?\Gamma^-, A^+}{\vdash ?\Gamma^-, ?B^-, A^+}$$

Proof-Net Translation:



Theorem (Soundness)

$\lambda\lambda_{xr}$ is **sound** w.r.t proof-nets:

If $\Gamma \vdash_{\lambda\lambda_{xr}} t : A$, then $t \rightarrow_{\lambda\lambda_{xr}} u$ implies $(\Gamma \vdash_{\lambda\lambda_{xr}} t : A)^\circ \rightarrow_{\mathcal{R}/\mathcal{E}}^* (\Gamma \vdash_{\lambda\lambda_{xr}} u : A)^\circ$.

The proof uses the following property:

Lemma

Let t, u be a $\lambda\lambda_{xr}$ -typed terms s.t. $\Gamma \vdash_{\lambda\lambda_{xr}} t : A$ and $\Gamma \vdash_{\lambda\lambda_{xr}} u : A$.

- If $t \equiv u$, then $(\Gamma \vdash t : A)^\circ \simeq_{\mathcal{E}} (\Gamma \vdash u : A)^\circ$.
- If $t \rightarrow_B u$, then $(\Gamma \vdash t : A)^\circ \rightarrow_{\mathcal{R}/\mathcal{E}}^+ (\Gamma \vdash u : A)^\circ$.
- If $t \rightarrow_{xt} u$, then $(\Gamma \vdash t : A)^\circ \rightarrow_{\mathcal{R}/\mathcal{E}}^* (\Gamma \vdash u : A)^\circ$.

Theorem (Strong Normalisation)

*The relation $\rightarrow_{\lambda\mathbf{1}\mathbf{x}\mathbf{r}}$ is strongly normalising on well-typed $\lambda\mathbf{1}\mathbf{x}\mathbf{r}$ -terms:
if $\Gamma \vdash_{\lambda\mathbf{1}\mathbf{x}\mathbf{r}} t : A$, then $t \in SN(\lambda\mathbf{1}\mathbf{x}\mathbf{r})$.*

Proof.

Using the previous lemma, the termination property of the relation $\mathbf{x}t$ and SN of $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{R}/\mathcal{E}}$.



- Define a congruence \approx for proof-nets.
- Define a congruence \cong for $\lambda 1xr$ -terms.
- Show that $(\Gamma \vdash t_1 : A)^\circ \approx (\Gamma' \vdash t_2 : A')^\circ$ implies $t_1 \cong t_2$.

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The $\lambda 1x$ -calculus is a computational interpretation of natural deduction plus cut and structural rules enjoying the following properties:

- Confluence on all the terms.
- Simulation of one-step β -reduction.
- Preservation of β -strong normalization.
- Strong normalization of well-typed terms.
- Full and safe composition.
- Sound and complete with respect to proof-nets.
- Explicit operators for implementation issues.