A new algorithm for Higher-order model checking

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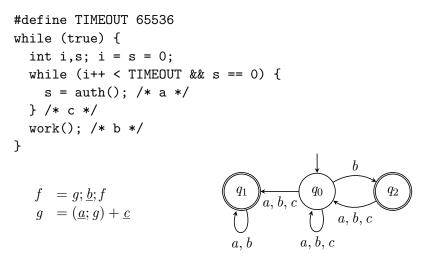
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Under "usual" typing rules, this would allow us to establish

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which is clearly wrong.

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$$T(X) = U \cdot X + V$$
$$gfp(T) = U^* V + U^{\omega}$$

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- $L \subseteq L(\mathcal{A}) \iff \alpha(L) \sqsubseteq \alpha(L(\mathcal{A}))$
- The abstraction function α preserves unions, concatenation, least fixpoints and ω-iteration (but not greatest fixpoints !):

$$\mathfrak{M}_* \xrightarrow{(-)^{(\omega)}} \mathfrak{M}_{\omega}$$
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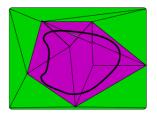
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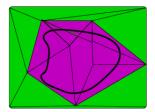
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and $\mathfrak{M}_{\omega} = \{ \mathcal{V} \subseteq (\Sigma^* / \sim_{\mathcal{A}}) \times (\Sigma^* / \sim_{\mathcal{A}}) \mid \mathcal{V} \text{ is closed} \}$



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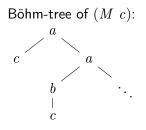
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Example: $\lambda \mathbf{Y}$.

Choose first-order constants

$$\begin{array}{l} a: o \to o \to o \\ b: o \to o \\ c: o \end{array}$$

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GFP is cartesian-closed.

Cartesian products

 $\bullet \ (A \times B)_* = A_* \times B_*$

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Function spaces

$$\bullet \ (A \Rightarrow B)_* = B_*^{A_*}$$

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GFP has the following fixpoint combinator for every *A*:

$$\operatorname{fix}_A : (A \Rightarrow A) \to A$$

where

$$(\operatorname{fix}_A)_*(f_*) = \operatorname{lfp}(f_*)$$

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This is indeed a fixpoint: $f(fix_A(f)) = fix_A(f)$ holds in the internal language of **GFP**

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But every function $F: \mathfrak{L}_* \times \mathfrak{L}_\omega \to \mathfrak{L}_\omega$ that actually occurs as the interpretation of a term is *affine*: there exists $A: \mathfrak{L}_* \to \mathfrak{L}_*$ and $B: \mathfrak{L}_* \to \mathfrak{L}_\omega$ such that

$$F(x,X) = A(x) \cdot X \cup B(x)$$

Then $gfp(F(x,-)) = A(x)^*B(x) \cup A(x)^{\omega}$ commutes with α .

For higher-order fixpoints:

Consider $f:(\tau \to o) \to (\tau \to o)$, then

 $\llbracket f \rrbracket_{\omega} : \llbracket \tau \to o \rrbracket_* \times (\llbracket \tau \rrbracket_* \times \llbracket \tau \rrbracket_{\omega} \Rightarrow \mathfrak{L}_{\omega}) \to (\llbracket \tau \rrbracket_* \times \llbracket \tau \rrbracket_{\omega} \Rightarrow \mathfrak{L}_{\omega})$

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Thanks !