

A monad for full ground reference cells

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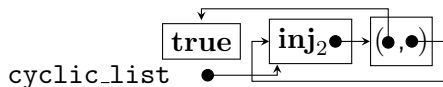
Dynamic allocation on the heap:

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Dynamic allocation on the heap:



i.e.:

- ▶ linked lists;
- ▶ trees;
- ▶ graphs; etc.

Kripke semantics for local state

Semantics for full ground storage

- ▶ Sets-with-structure and structure preserving functions
- ▶ Monad over a bi-CCC

Extending the line of work of:

- ▶ Reynolds and Oles'82
- ▶ Moggi'90
- ▶ O'Hearn and Tennent'92,
- ▶ Stark'94
- ▶ Ghica'97
- ▶ Plotkin-Power'02
- ▶ Levy'02

The challenge

Variance

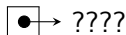
Kripke semantics is functorial in the shape of the heap.

But the collection of heaps is not functorial:

$\in \mathbf{H}\emptyset$

$\in \mathbf{H}\{\ell_1 : \text{ptr}\}$

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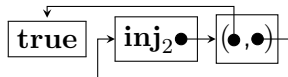
$\mathbf{S} := \{\text{ptr}, \text{data}, \text{linked_list}, \text{list_cell}\}$

$ctype \text{ ptr} = \mathbf{ref}_{\text{ptr}}$

$ctype \text{ data} = \mathbf{bool}$

$ctype \text{ linked_list} = \mathbf{1} + \mathbf{ref}_{\text{list_cell}}$

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Worlds and injections

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Interpreting full ground types

Set $\mathbf{W} := [\mathbb{W}, \mathbf{Set}]$ and define:

$$\llbracket \mathbf{0} \rrbracket := \mathbf{0} \quad \llbracket \gamma_1 + \gamma_2 \rrbracket := \llbracket \gamma_1 \rrbracket + \llbracket \gamma_2 \rrbracket$$

$$\llbracket \mathbf{1} \rrbracket := \mathbf{1} \quad \llbracket \gamma_1 \times \gamma_2 \rrbracket := \llbracket \gamma_1 \rrbracket \times \llbracket \gamma_2 \rrbracket$$

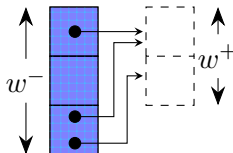
$$\llbracket \mathbf{ref}_c \rrbracket w := \{\ell \in w \mid w(\ell) = c\} \quad \llbracket \mathbf{ref}_c \rrbracket \rho(\ell) := \rho(\ell)$$

Heaps

Heaplets

Define $\underline{\mathbb{H}} : \mathbb{W}^{\text{op}} \times \mathbb{W} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$:

$$\underline{\mathbb{H}}(w^-, w^+) := \prod_{(\ell:c) \in w^-} \llbracket \text{ctype } c \rrbracket w^+$$



Heaps

$$\mathbb{H}w := \underline{\mathbb{H}}(w, w)$$

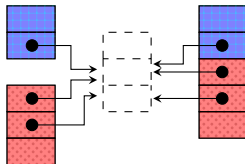
Combining heaplets

Independent coproducts [Simpson MFPS'17]

We have morphisms: $w_1 \xrightarrow{\iota_1^\oplus} w_1 \oplus w_2 \xleftarrow{\iota_2^\oplus} w_2$ in $\mathbb{W}$

Canonical isomorphisms

$$\blacktriangleright \mathbb{H}^\oplus : \underline{\mathbb{H}}(w_1, w) \times \underline{\mathbb{H}}(w_2, w) \xrightarrow{\cong} \underline{\mathbb{H}}(w_1 \oplus w_2, w)$$



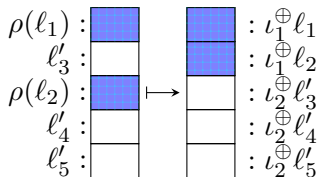
$$\blacktriangleright \mathbb{H}^\emptyset : \mathbb{1} \xrightarrow{\cong} \underline{\mathbb{H}}(\emptyset, w)$$

Defragmentation

Complements

For $\rho : w_1 \rightarrow w_2$, set $\rho^c : w_2 \ominus \rho \rightarrow w_2$ as the inclusion:

$$w_2 \setminus \rho[w_1] \subseteq w_2$$



$$\underline{\mathbb{H}}(w_2, w) \xrightarrow{\underline{\mathbb{H}}(\cong, w)} \underline{\mathbb{H}}(w_1 \oplus (w_2 \ominus \rho), w)$$

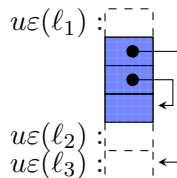
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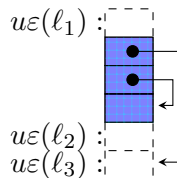
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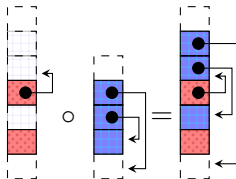
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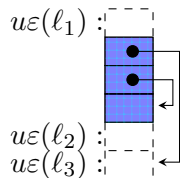
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Heap functor

$$\mathbb{H}w = \underline{\mathbb{H}}(w, w) \cong \mathbb{E}(\emptyset, w)$$

so $\mathbb{H}$ is a representable functor in $\mathbf{E} := [\mathbb{E}, \mathbf{Set}]$

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Comma category

For the forgetful $u : \mathbb{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{W}$, the comma $w \downarrow u$ is:

Objects: $\mathbb{W}$ -morphisms $\rho : w \rightarrow w'$

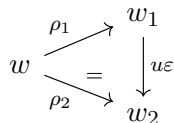
Morphisms $(\rho_1 \downarrow_{w_1}^w) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} (\rho_2 \downarrow_{w_2}^w)$: Initialisations $w'_1 \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} w'_2$ s.t.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \rho_1 \nearrow & w_1 \\ w & & \downarrow u\varepsilon \\ & \rho_2 \searrow & w_2 \end{array} \quad =$$

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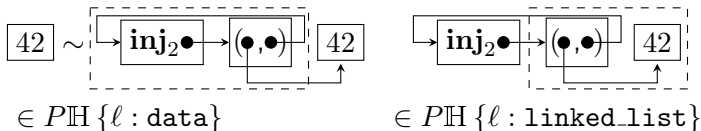
Object map

Define for $A \in \mathbf{E} = [\mathbb{E}, \mathbf{Set}]$:



$$\begin{aligned}
 PAw &:= \int^{w \rightarrow w' \in w \downarrow u} A \\
 &:= (\sum_{w \rightarrow w' \in w \downarrow u} Aw') / \sim
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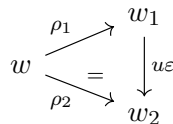
In $[\rho : w \rightarrow w', x] \in PAw$ the locations in $w' \ominus \rho$ are private to x



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Functorial action of PA

For $\varepsilon : w_1 \rightarrow w_2$ in $\mathbb{E}$:

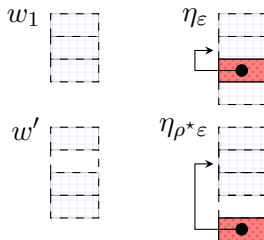


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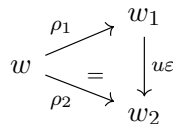
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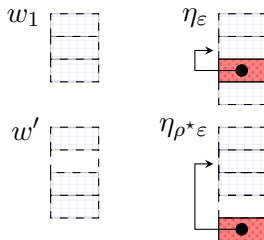


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See paper for return, bind, etc.

State transformer

Enrichment

$\mathbf{E} = [\mathbb{E}, \mathbf{Set}]$ is enriched over $\mathbf{W} = [\mathbb{W}, \mathbf{Set}]$ with tensors:

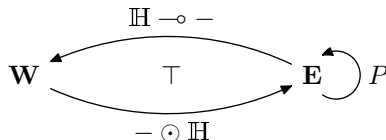
$$X \odot A := (X \circ u) \times A$$

$$(A \multimap B)w := \int_{w \rightarrow w' \in w \downarrow u} Aw' \Rightarrow (Bw')$$

(directly/as a $\mathbf{W}$ -actegory [Gordon-Power'97, Janelidze-Kelly'01])

A monad for full ground storage (following [Egger et al.'14])

Take $T := \mathbb{H} \multimap P(- \odot \mathbb{H})$



Full ground storage monad

For every $X \in \mathbf{W} = [\mathbb{W}, \mathbf{Set}]$:

$$TXw \subseteq \prod_{w \rightarrow w' \in \mathbb{W}} \mathbb{H}w' \Rightarrow \left(\sum_{w' \rightarrow w'' \in \mathbb{W}} Xw'' \times \mathbb{H}w'' \right) / \sim$$

The monad

$$(TX)w = \int_{w \rightarrow w' \in w \downarrow u} \mathbb{H}w' \Rightarrow \left(\int^{w' \rightarrow w'' \in w \downarrow u} X \circ uw'' \times \mathbb{H}w'' \right)$$

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Constant functors

Functors $X \in \mathbf{W}$ whose action $X\rho$ is a bijection.

Theorem (effect masking)

For every pair of constant functors $\Gamma, X \in \mathbf{W}$, every morphism $f : \Gamma \rightarrow TX$ factors uniquely through the monadic unit:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma & \xrightarrow{f} & TX \\ & \searrow \text{runST } f & \nearrow \text{return}^T \\ & X & \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ = \end{array}$$

Interprets a multi-monadic-metalanguage with a **runST** construct [Launchbury-Peyton Jones'94]

Garbage collection

Proof.

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbb{1} \longrightarrow \mathbb{H} \multimap P(X \odot \mathbb{H}) \quad \text{in } \mathbf{W} \\ \hline \hline \mathbb{H} \longrightarrow P(X \odot \mathbb{H}) \quad \text{in } \mathbf{E} \\ \hline \hline \mathbb{H} \longrightarrow X \odot P\mathbb{H} \quad \text{by lemma} \\ \hline \hline \mathbb{E}(\emptyset, -) \longrightarrow X \odot P\mathbb{H} \quad \text{in } \mathbf{E} \\ \hline \hline \mathbb{1} \longrightarrow (X \odot P\mathbb{H})\emptyset \quad \text{in } \mathbf{Set}, \text{ by Yoneda} \\ \hline \hline \mathbb{1} \longrightarrow X\emptyset \quad \text{by lemma} \\ \hline \hline \mathbb{1} \longrightarrow X \quad \text{in } \mathbf{W} \end{array}$$

and chase a generic morphism upwards.

