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# Logical Semantics and PER Models

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# Subtyping polymorphism

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Syntactic idea: A is a subtype of B if any term of type A can be safely used in a context expecting a term of type B.

$$(Sub) \frac{\Gamma \vdash t : A \quad \Sigma \vdash A <: B}{\Gamma \vdash t : B}$$

The judgment  $\Sigma \vdash A <: B$  is deduced in a system axiomatizing the concept of “being a subtype” as “being a class of terms behaving in a compatible way with a (possibly) different class”.

# Record and function subtyping

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Type grammar

$$A ::= G \mid \{l_i:A_i \mid i \in I\} \mid A \rightarrow A$$

Subtyping Rules

$$\frac{G <: G' \in \Sigma}{\Sigma \vdash G <: G'}$$

$$\frac{\Sigma \vdash A_j <: B_j \quad \forall j \in J \subseteq I}{\Sigma \vdash \{l_i:A_i \mid i \in I\} <: \{l_j:B_j \mid j \in J\}}$$

$$\frac{\Sigma \vdash A' <: A \quad \Sigma \vdash B <: B'}{\Sigma \vdash A \rightarrow B <: A' \rightarrow B'}$$

# Untyped interpretation and PERs

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Polymorphic calculi are usually interpreted over some untyped  $\lambda$ -model  $D$  via an erasing map: the type structure is then recovered via PERs (symmetric and transitive relations) over  $D$ :

erase: typed  $\lambda$ -calculus  $\rightarrow$  type free  $\lambda$ -calculus

For any term  $t$ ,  $[[t]] = [[\text{erase}(t)]]^D$

For any type  $A$ ,  $R_A \in \text{PER}(D)$

For a judgment  $t:A$ ,  $[[t]] \in \text{Dom}(R_A) = \{d \mid d R_A d\}$

For an equation  $t = s : A$ ,  $[[t]] R_A [[s]]$ .

# Equations and subtyping

Equational theories of typed systems with subtyping satisfy:

$$(SubEq) \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash t = s : A \quad \Sigma \vdash A <: B}{\Gamma \vdash t = s : B}$$

The inverse implication does not hold (in general):

$$\{l_1 : int, l_2 : int\} <: \{l_1 : int\}$$

$$\{l_1 = 0, l_2 = 1\} = \{l_1 = 0, l_2 = 0\} : \{l_1 : int\}$$

but

$$\{l_1 = 0, l_2 = 1\} \neq \{l_1 = 0, l_2 = 0\} : \{l_1 : int, l_2 : int\}$$

# The inclusion semantics

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If types are PERs, subtyping is interpreted as (set theoretic) inclusion of PERs:

$$A <: B \Rightarrow R_A \subseteq R_B$$

If  $R, S \in \text{PER}(D)$  such that  $R \subseteq S$  then  $\text{Dom}(R) \subseteq \text{Dom}(S)$ , and

$$\forall d \in D. [d]_R \subseteq [d]_S, \text{ where } [d]_R = \{e \in D \mid d R e\}$$

which gives a coercion  $[d]_R \rightarrow [d]_S$  from  $D_R$  into  $D_S$  where

$$D_R = \{[d]_R \mid d \in \text{Dom}(R)\} \text{ (not injective, in general).}$$

# The domain logic approach

Domains are isomorphic to certain filter spaces built out from “theories”  $\langle L_A, \leq_A \rangle$  whose propositions denote compact opens:

## Stone Duality [and Abramsky application to domains]

$$D_A \cong \text{Filt}(L_A / \leq_A) \quad K(D_A) \cong L_A / \leq_A$$



Completeness:  $[[t]]^L = \{ \varphi \in L_A \mid t \Vdash \varphi \}$  (for  $t : A$ ) and

$$t \Vdash \varphi \Leftrightarrow t \models \varphi$$

# The basic domain equation

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The untyped domain is the initial solution (in a given category) of the equation:

$$D = E + [L \rightarrow D] + [D \rightarrow D]$$

where records are finite functions over a set  $L$  of labels.

This is achieved, in the category of algebraic lattices, by taking the space of filters <sup>o</sup> (ordered by inclusion) formed out of properties:

$$\sigma, \tau ::= \alpha \mid \omega \mid \sigma \rightarrow \tau \mid \sigma \wedge \tau \mid \langle l_i : \sigma_i \mid i \in I \rangle$$

which are preordered by a relation  $\leq$  such that (e.g.):

$$\langle l_i : \sigma_i \mid i \in I \rangle \leq \langle l_i : \sigma_i \mid i \in J \rangle \quad (J \subseteq I), \quad \langle l_i : \sigma_i \mid i \in I \rangle = \bigwedge_{i \in I} \langle l_i : \sigma_i \rangle$$



# Typed languages of properties

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The properties are classified by languages  $L_A$  indexed over types; then  $\langle L_A, \leq_A \rangle$  is a propositional theory where

$$\leq_A = \leq \cap L_A \times L_A.$$

This allows for an interpretation of types as subtheories of the propositional theory giving  $^{\circ}$ :

$\omega \in L_A$  (for all  $A$ );  $\alpha \in L_G$  (for  $G$  ground)

$\sigma, \tau \in L_A \Rightarrow \sigma \wedge \tau \in L_A$

$\sigma \in L_A, \tau \in L_B \Rightarrow \sigma \rightarrow \tau \in L_{A \rightarrow B}$

$\sigma_i \in L_{B_i} \Rightarrow \langle l_i: \sigma_i \mid i \in I \rangle \in L_{\{l_i: B_i \mid i \in I\}}$

# The logical interpretation of types

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Let  $\circ_A$  be the set of filters out of the theory  $\langle L_A, \leq_A \rangle$ : this is the  $A$  view of  $\circ$  which interprets  $A$ .

On the other hand let  $R_A$  be the relation over  $\circ$  defined by:

$$f R_A g \Leftrightarrow f = g = \omega \uparrow \vee f \cap L_A = g \cap L_A \neq \omega \uparrow$$

## The Isomorphism Theorem

$$\Phi: L_A \cong A/R_A$$

where  $\Phi(p) = [\{\sigma \mid \exists \tau \in L_A. \tau \leq \sigma\}]_{R_A}$

with inverse  $\Phi^{-1}(f) = f \cap L_A$

# Sub-bases and CUPERs

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The construction of  $R_A$  can be read topologically as follows:

**Definition.** A *sub-basis*  $X \subseteq K(D)$  is a set including  $\perp$  and closed under finite sups of (compatible) elements. Then

$$d R_X e \Leftrightarrow d = e = \perp \vee K(d) \cap X \setminus \{\perp\} = K(e) \cap X \setminus \{\perp\} \neq \emptyset$$

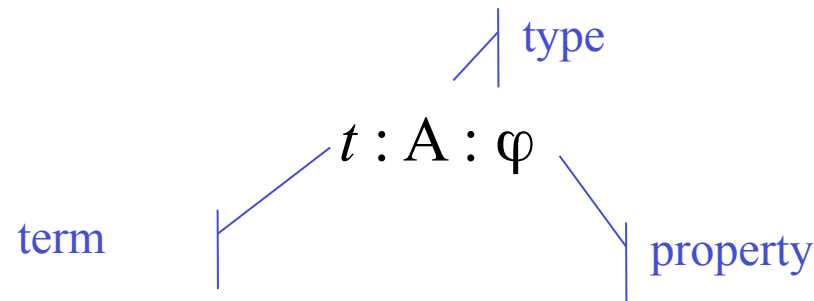
**Theorem.** Any  $R_X$  is a *pointed complete* PER, namely includes the pair  $\langle \perp, \perp \rangle$  and is closed under directed sups (of pairs).

Moreover, if  $D$  is equipped with a *notion of approximation*, (a family of continuous maps  $(\cdot)_{[n]} : D \rightarrow D$  such that  $\sup_n (\cdot)_{[n]} = \text{Id}_D$ ), then  $R_X$  is *uniform* ( $d R_X e \Rightarrow \forall n. d_{[n]} R_X e_{[n]}$ ) iff

$$d \in \text{Dom}(R_X) \wedge d_{[n]} \neq \perp \Rightarrow K(d_{[n]}) \cap X \neq \{\perp\}.$$

# Program logic

This is a system deducing three places judgments:



$$\begin{array}{c}
 (\rightarrow I) \\
 \frac{\Delta, x : A : \varphi \vdash t : B : \psi}{\Delta \vdash \lambda x.t : A \rightarrow B : \varphi \rightarrow \psi}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 (\wedge I) \\
 \frac{\Delta \vdash t : A : \varphi \quad \Delta \vdash t : A : \psi}{\Delta \vdash t : A : \varphi \wedge \psi}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 (\leq) \\
 \frac{\Delta \vdash t : A : \varphi \quad \varphi \leq_A \psi}{\Delta \vdash t : A : \psi}
 \end{array}$$

# Subtyping in program logic

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$$(Sub) \frac{\Delta \vdash t : A : \varphi \quad A <: B \quad \varphi \in \mathcal{L}_B}{\Delta \vdash t : B : \varphi}$$

It follows that, given

$$[[\Gamma \vdash t : A]]^L =_{\text{def}} \{\varphi \in \mathcal{L}_A \mid \exists \Delta. \Gamma < \Delta \wedge \Delta \vdash t : A : \varphi\}$$

where  $\Gamma < \Delta$  if  $\forall y : B \in \Gamma \exists \varphi \in \mathcal{L}_B . y : B : \varphi \in \Delta$ , we have

$$A <: B \Rightarrow \forall \Gamma. [[\Gamma \vdash t : A]]^L \supseteq [[\Gamma \vdash t : B]]^L$$

$$\Gamma \vdash t = s : A \Rightarrow [[\Gamma \vdash t : A]]^L = [[\Gamma \vdash s : A]]^L$$

# The logical meaning of the isomorphism theorem

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Let  $t$  be any (closed) term and  $A$  be a type; let  $[[\cdot]]^F$  be the standard interpretation of the type free  $\lambda$ -calculus over  $F$  (which is a filter model), then it turns out

$$[[\text{erase}(t)]]^F \cap L_A = [[t : A]]^L$$

from which we can prove:

**Theorem.**  $[[t : A]]^L = [[s : A]]^L \Leftrightarrow [[\text{erase}(t)]]^F R_A [[\text{erase}(s)]]^F$

This gives the logical meaning of subtyping which is

$$A <: B \Rightarrow \forall t. [[t : A]]^L \cap L_B = [[t : B]]^L$$

# More on sub-bases and PERs

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Consider the following functors over the category of PER:

- $f R \rightarrow S g \Leftrightarrow \forall d, e. d R e \Rightarrow f(d) S g(e)$
- $d \{l_i : R_i\}_{i \in I} e \Leftrightarrow \forall i \in I. d.l_i R_i e.l_i$

These are (almost) mirrored by certain sub-bases:

- $X \rightarrow Y = \{\sup_{i \in I} (d_i \Rightarrow e_i) \mid \text{it exists, } d_i \in X, e_i \in Y\}$
- $\{l_i : X_i\}_{i \in I} = \{\sup_{i \in J} (l_i \Rightarrow d_i) \mid J \subseteq I, d_i \in X_i\}$

## Proposition

- $R_{\{l_i : X_i\}_{i \in I}} = \{l_i : R_{X_i}\}_{i \in I}$
- $R_X \rightarrow R_Y \subseteq R_{X \rightarrow Y}$

# Open problems and further work

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Unfortunately  $R_X \rightarrow R_Y \subseteq R_{X \rightarrow Y}$  is a proper inclusion, that is the logical interpretation, which is also based on PERs, is different from the standard interpretation of polymorphic calculi within this category.

Is there a logical interpretation which exactly matches the standard PER semantics of typed  $\lambda$ -calculi?

Is there a categorical reconstruction of the idea of logical interpretation of subtyping providing the guidelines to extend the program logic to more sophisticated type systems (system **F** at least)?