

15-814 Homework hw5

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1 Halting Problem in PCF

Task 1 Prove that H is not definable in PCF.

Solution: Suppose $H : (\text{nat} \rightarrow \text{nat}) \rightarrow \text{nat}$ is definable. Consider the term:

$$D = \text{fix } f : \text{nat} \rightarrow \text{nat} . \lambda . \text{nat} . \text{ifz}(H f; \Omega; x.z)$$

where $\Omega = \text{fix } x : \text{nat} . x$, $\vdash \Omega : \text{nat}$, and Ω diverges.

We have:

$$\begin{aligned} D z &\mapsto (\lambda . \text{nat} . \text{ifz}(H D; \Omega; x.z)) z \\ &\mapsto \text{ifz}(H D; \Omega; x.z) \end{aligned}$$

By assumption, we know that either $H D \mapsto^* z$ or $H D \mapsto^* \mathbf{s}(z)$.

In the first case, $D z$ converges by assumption. However, we also take the first branch above, so $D z \mapsto^* \Omega$, and so $D z$ diverges. By determinism $D z$ cannot both diverge and converge, and so this case leads to a contradiction.

In the latter case, $D z$ diverges by assumption. Here, we take the second branch, so $D z \mapsto^* z$, so $D z$ converges. This again leads to a contradiction with determinism of the language.

Task 2 Prove that H' is not definable in PCF.

Solution: Suppose that $H' : \text{nat} \rightarrow \text{nat} \rightarrow \text{nat}$ is definable. Consider the term:

$$D' = \lambda x . \text{nat} . \text{ifz}(H' x x; \Omega; y.z)$$

where Ω diverges, and $D' : \text{nat} \rightarrow \text{nat}$. We have $D' \ulcorner D' \urcorner \mapsto \text{ifz}(H' \ulcorner D' \urcorner \ulcorner D' \urcorner; \Omega; y.z)$.

Now, by assumption, either $H' \ulcorner D' \urcorner \ulcorner D' \urcorner \mapsto^* z$ or $H' \ulcorner D' \urcorner \ulcorner D' \urcorner \mapsto^* \mathbf{s}(z)$. In the first case, we have that $D' \ulcorner D' \urcorner$ converges, but this is a contradiction since $D' \ulcorner D' \urcorner \mapsto^* \text{ifz}(z; \Omega; y.z) \mapsto \Omega$, which diverges. In the second case, we have that $D' \ulcorner D' \urcorner$ diverges, but this is again a contradiction since $D' \ulcorner D' \urcorner \mapsto^* \text{ifz}(\mathbf{s}(z); \Omega; y.z) \mapsto z$, which converges.

2 Defining Streams

I will use ML code to illustrate these answers. The datatype and selector definitions for streams are given below (modulo using ML integers instead of natural numbers):

```
datatype stream = Cons of unit -> int * stream
fun hd (Cons f) = #1 (f ())
fun tl (Cons f) = #2 (f ())
```

Task 3 Define the function `fromLoop` : $(\alpha \rightarrow \alpha \times \text{nat}) \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \text{stream}$, which takes a value v of type α and a function f of type $\alpha \rightarrow \alpha \times \text{nat}$, successively applies f to v to get values of type nat , and constructs a stream from these natural numbers.

Solution: In ML:

```
fun fromLoop f v = Cons(fn ()=> let val (l,r) = f v in (r,fromLoop f l) end);
```

Translating this into **FPC**, writing $t = (\alpha \rightarrow \alpha \times \text{nat}) \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \text{stream}$:

```
fromLoop = fix x : t.λf:α → α × nat.λv:α.fold[α.unit → nat × α](λ_:unit.(⟨π2(f v), x f (π1(f v))⟩))
```

Task 4 Use `fromLoop` to construct the following two streams.

1. Given a natural number k , a stream of natural numbers starting from k .
2. The stream of natural numbers.

Solution: In ML:

```
fun natstrk k = fromLoop (fn v => (v+1,v)) k;
val natstr = natstrk 0;
```

Behavior:

```
> hd natstr
val it = 0: int
> hd (tl (tl (tl natstr)))
val it = 3: int
```

Translating:

```
natstrk = λk:nat.fromLoop (λv:nat.(⟨s(v),v⟩)) k
```

```
natstr = natstrk z
```

Task 5 Define the function, `map` : $(\text{nat} \rightarrow \text{nat}) \rightarrow \text{stream} \rightarrow \text{stream}$, which takes a function f and stream s and applies f to every element in the stream s .

Solution: In ML:

```
fun map f s = Cons(fn () => (f (hd s),map f (tl s)));
```

Translating, writing $t = (\text{nat} \rightarrow \text{nat}) \rightarrow \text{stream} \rightarrow \text{stream}$:

```
map = fix x : t.λf:nat → nat.λs:stream.fold[α.unit → nat × α](λ_:unit.(⟨f (hd s), x f (tl s)⟩))
```

Task 6 Define the function `streamfix` : $(\text{stream} \rightarrow \text{stream}) \rightarrow \text{stream}$, which takes a function f and applies that successively to obtain a stream. (Carefully define this function considering that we are working in the eager, call-by-value version of **FPC**.)

Solution: The fixpoint equation can just be written in ML, and this would diverge when given f :

```
fun streamfixbad f = f (streamfixbad f);
```

Instead, we must manually “unroll” the stream once:

```
fun streamfix f =
  Cons (fn () => (hd (f (streamfix f)),tl (f (streamfix f))))
```

Translating, writing $t = (\text{stream} \rightarrow \text{stream}) \rightarrow \text{stream}$:

```
streamfix = fix x : t.λf:stream → stream.fold[α.unit → nat × α](λ_:unit.(hd (f (x f)), tl (f (x f))))
```

Task 7 Note that the stream of natural numbers has the special property that it can be obtained by adding 1 to every element in the stream and then prepending 0 to the result. Use this property to define the stream of natural numbers using map and streamfix.

Solution: In ML:

```
val natstr = streamfix (fn s => Cons (fn _ => (0, map (fn n=>n+1) s) ));
```

Behavior:

```
> hd natstr
val it = 0: int
> hd (tl (tl (tl natstr)))
val it = 3: int
```

Translating:

```
suc = λn:nat.s(n)
```

```
natstr2 = streamfix (λs:stream.fold[α.unit → nat × α](λ_:unit.(z, map suc s)))
```

Task 8 What would happen if you use streamfix with the identity function?

Solution: It returns a stream but the stream diverges when it is forced, e.g. when hd or tl is called on it.

```
> val foo = streamfix (fn s => s)
val foo = Cons fn: stream
hd foo
(* diverges *)
tl foo
(* diverges *)
```

3 Monadization

Task 9 Define \bar{e} inductively for each expression e in **L1**.

Solution: The translation is mostly straightforward if we follow the types.

$$\overline{\text{input}} = \text{input} \quad \overline{\text{output}(e)} = \text{bnd}(\bar{e}; y.\text{output}(y))$$

$$\bar{x} = \text{ret}(x) \quad \bar{\bar{n}} = \text{ret}(\bar{n}) \quad \overline{\lambda x:\tau.e} = \text{ret}(\lambda x:\bar{\tau}.\text{cmd}(\bar{e}))$$

$$\overline{\text{ifz}(e_1; e_2; x.e_3)} = \text{bnd}(\bar{e}_1; x_1.\text{force}(\text{ifz}(x_1; \text{cmd}(\bar{e}_2); x.\text{cmd}(\bar{e}_3))))$$

$$\overline{e_1 e_2} = \text{bnd}(\bar{e}_1; x_1.\text{bnd}(\bar{e}_2; x_2.\text{force}(x_1 x_2)))$$

We assume that products are eager:

$$\overline{\langle e_1, e_2 \rangle} = \text{bnd}(\bar{e}_1; x_1.\text{bnd}(\bar{e}_2; x_2.\text{ret}(\langle x_1, x_2 \rangle)))$$

$$\overline{\pi_1 e} = \mathbf{bnd}(\bar{e}; x.\mathbf{ret}(\pi_1 x)) \quad \overline{\pi_2 e} = \mathbf{bnd}(\bar{e}; x.\mathbf{ret}(\pi_2 x))$$

Note: I am not sure if there is an easy solution for the `fix` case that does not diverge. I accepted all solutions that are well-typed.

I got the following solution from students in class, I think it has the right behavior:

$$\overline{\mathbf{fix} \ x : \tau.e} = \mathbf{force}(\mathbf{fix} \ f : \bar{\tau} \ \mathbf{cmd.cmd}([\mathbf{force}(f)/\mathbf{ret}(x)]\bar{e}))$$

My original solution diverges:

$$\overline{\mathbf{fix} \ x : \tau.e} = \mathbf{force}(\mathbf{fix} \ f : \bar{\tau} \ \mathbf{cmd.cmd}(\mathbf{bnd}(\mathbf{force}(f); x.\bar{e})))$$