

# Continuations & Co-exponentials

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# Currying

We all know these:

```
curry :: ((a, b) → c) → a → (b → c)
```

```
curry f a b = f (a, b)
```

```
uncurry :: (a → (b → c)) → (a, b) → c
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uncurry f (a, b) = f a b
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*Puzzle:* can we dualize these?

```
cocurry :: (c → (a + b)) → (c - b) → a
```

```
councurry :: ((c - b) → a) → (c → (a + b))
```

# No go

Technical results from category theory say you can't!

If you could (by LAPC/RAPL):

$$A \times 0 \cong 0$$

$$A + 1 \cong 1$$

If these were propositions in logic:

$$a \wedge \perp \iff \perp$$

$$a \vee \top \iff \top$$

But as types in a programming language, you'd have:

$$2 \cong 1 + 1 \cong 1$$

You can have a logic with subtraction, but not a programming language!

# No go

- ★ Boileau & Joyal: A cartesian closed and co-cartesian co-closed category is a preorder.
- ★ Abramsky: A  $*$ -autonomous category in which the monoidal structure is cartesian is a preorder.

Linear logic comes to the rescue...

- ★ Crolard: Subtractive logic
- ★ Eades, Bellin: Co-intuitionistic Adjoint Logic
- ★ Abramsky: connection between limitative results in proof theory and No-Go theorems in quantum mechanics

But wait, I will show you a magic trick...

# Currying and Co-currying

My kingdom for a horse...

```
curry :: ((a, b) → c) → a → (b → c)
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```
curry f a b = f (a, b)
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```
uncurry :: (a → (b → c)) → (a, b) → c
```

```
uncurry f (a, b) = f a b
```

```
cocurry :: (c ⇒ (a + b)) → (c - a) ⇒ b
```

```
cocurry f (c, k1) = Cont $ \k2 → runCont (f c) (either k1 k2)
```

```
councurry :: ((c - a) ⇒ b) → (c ⇒ (a + b))
```

```
councurry f c = Cont $ \k → runCont (f (c, k . Left)) (k . Right)
```

I snuck in two kinds of arrows:  $\rightarrow$ ,  $\Rightarrow$ , but what is  $c - a$ ?

# Continuations

From Reynolds (1993):

«...settings in which continuations were found useful: They underlie a method of program transformation (into continuation-passing style), a style of definitional interpreter (defining one language by an interpreter written in another language), and a style of denotational semantics (in the sense of Scott and Strachey). In each of these settings, by representing “the meaning of the rest of the program” as a function or procedure, continuations provide an elegant description of a variety of language constructs, including call by value and goto statements.»

From Matt Might's blog:

«...they're always explained with quasi-metaphysical phrases: “time travel”, “parallel universes”, “the future of the computation”.»

# Continuation-Passing Style

How I learned continuations in Dan Friedman's C311:

```
(define factorial
  (lambda (n)
    (cond
      [(zero? n) 1]
      [else (* n (factorial (sub1 n)))])))
```

This program isn't tail-recursive!

Continuations to the rescue...



# Continuation-Passing Style

We can transform this into CPS:

```
(define factorial-cps
  (lambda (n k)
    (cond
      [(zero? n) (k 1)]
      [else (factorial-cps (sub1 n)
                           (lambda (v) (k (* n v))))])))

(define factorial
  (lambda (n)
    (factorial-cps n (lambda (v) v))))
```

# Delimited Continuations

Types help you see what's going on...

```
factorialCPS :: Int → (Int → r) → r
factorialCPS n k =
  if n == 0
  then k 1
  else factorialCPS (n - 1) $ \v → k (n * v)

factorial :: Int → Int
factorial n = factorialCPS n $ \v → v
```

Continuations are encoded as functions:  $a \rightarrow r$ .

# Continuation monad

Monads make this even better!

```
newtype Cont r a = Cont { runCont :: (a → r) → r }

return :: a → Cont r a
return a = Cont $ \k → k a

(>>=) :: Cont r a → (a → Cont r b) → Cont r b
Cont g >>= f = Cont $ \k2 → g $ \a → runCont (f a) k2
```

Now rewrite facrorialCPS using the continuation monad...

# Continuation monad

Using do notation:

```
factorialCont :: Int → Cont r Int
factorialCont n =
  if n == 0
  then return 1
  else do
    v ← factorialCont (n - 1)
    return (n * v)

factorial :: Int → Int
factorial n = runCont (factorialCont n) $ \v → v
```

This is automatically tail-recursive!

This is CPS without explicitly thinking about continuations as functions.

# CPS, formally

There are many ways of formalising CPS:

## ■ Plotkin-style CPS

$a \rightarrow b$  turns into  $a \rightarrow (b \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r$ , or  $a \rightarrow \text{Cont } r \ b$ .

## ■ Fischer-style CPS

$a \rightarrow b$  turns into  $(b \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow r)$ .

There are several CPS calculi and connections to classical logic.

Embrace these ideas and take a step further...

# Co-exponentials

Allow me to write:

- $a^* = a \rightarrow r$ 
  - a continuation for  $a$ , or
  - a handler for  $a$
- $b \multimap a = (b, a^*)$ 
  - a value of  $b$ , with a handler for  $a$ , or
  - a value of  $b$ , with a typed hole for  $a$
- $a \Rightarrow b = a \rightarrow \text{Cont } r \ b$ 
  - a CPS transformed function  $a \rightarrow b$

Now I'll reveal the trick...

# Co-exponentials

This is co-currying with subtraction and  $\Rightarrow$ :

```
cocurry :: (c  $\Rightarrow$  (a + b))  $\rightarrow$  (c - a)  $\Rightarrow$  b
```

```
cocurry f (c, k1) = Cont $ \k2  $\rightarrow$ 
```

```
  runCont (f c) $ \case
```

```
    Left a  $\rightarrow$  k1 a
```

```
    Right b  $\rightarrow$  k2 b
```

```
councurry :: ((c - a)  $\Rightarrow$  b)  $\rightarrow$  (c  $\Rightarrow$  (a + b))
```

```
councurry f c = Cont $ \k  $\rightarrow$ 
```

```
  let k1 = k . Left
```

```
      k2 = k . Right
```

```
  in runCont (f (c, k1)) k2
```

# Co-exponentials

This is co-currying with all the explicit types:

```
cocurry :: (c → Cont r (a + b)) → (c, a → r) → Cont r b
```

```
cocurry f (c, k1) = Cont $ \k2 →
```

```
  runCont (f c) $ \case
```

```
    Left a → k1 a
```

```
    Right b → k2 b
```

```
councurry :: ((c, a → r) → Cont r b) → (c → Cont r (a + b))
```

```
councurry f c = Cont $ \k →
```

```
  let k1 :: a → r
```

```
      k1 = k . Left
```

```
      k2 :: b → r
```

```
      k2 = k . Right
```

```
  in runCont (f (c, k1)) k2
```



# Co-exponentials

It computes this isomorphism...

$$\begin{aligned} & c \rightarrow ((a + b) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r \\ \cong & c \rightarrow (a \rightarrow r, b \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r \\ \cong & c \rightarrow (a \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r \\ \cong & (c, a \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r \end{aligned}$$

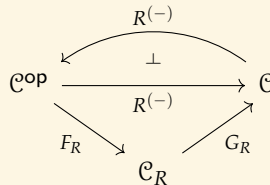
From left to right, it splits a continuation for  $a + b$ .

From right to left, it joins two continuations for  $a$  and  $b$ .

You can implement these in your favorite programming language if you have currying and sums.

# A micrological study of continuations

There is an elegant mathematical theory behind all of this.



The Kleisli category of the continuation monad is co-cartesian co-closed!

It's a miraculous adjunction:

$$(-) \times R^X \dashv X + (-)$$

This fact (in the dual sense) was known to several experts since the 90s (see **slide 44**), but it is underappreciated and seems to have been forgotten.

I try to explain this in a more conceptual way (see **slide 47**).

# Co-exponential operators

You can implement these operators in your favorite programming language if you have currying and sums.

Currying gives you `eval` and `uneval` (higher-order pairing).

```
id :: a → a
```

```
id a = a
```

```
eval :: (a → b, a) → b
```

```
eval = curry id
```

```
uneval :: a → (b → (a, b))
```

```
uneval = uncurry id
```

# Co-exponential operators

Dually, co-currying gives you `coeval` and `couneval`.

```
idk :: a ⇒ a
```

```
idk = return
```

```
coeval :: b ⇒ (a + (b - a))
```

```
coeval = cuncurry idk
```

```
couneval :: ((a + b) - a) ⇒ b
```

```
couneval = ccurry idk
```

*coeval creates a choice, couneval annihilates a choice.*

Compare: law of excluded middle:  $\cdot \vdash a + a^*$

Compare: creation/annihilation operators in differential LL (C., Fiore).

# Co-lambda and Co-application

Let's simplify these into simpler combinators...

```
colam :: (a* ⇒ b) ⇒ (() ⇒ (a + b))  
colam f = councurry (f . snd)  
  
coapp :: (() ⇒ (a + b), a*) ⇒ b  
coapp (f, k1) = f () >>= couneval . (,k1)
```

No more  $\rightarrow$  arrows, now I can work with  $\Rightarrow$  arrows directly.

I will extend Moggi's computational metalanguage with these two operators.

# $\lambda^*$

Start from a call-by-value lambda calculus.

Add sum types,  $A^*$ , and two typing rules...

*Binding a value gives you a function!*

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : A \vdash e : B}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda(x : A).e : A \Rightarrow B}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : A \Rightarrow B \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : A}{\Gamma \vdash e_1 e_2 : B}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : A^* \vdash e : B}{\Gamma \vdash \tilde{\lambda}(x : A^*).e : A + B}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : A + B \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : A^*}{\Gamma \vdash \widetilde{e_1 e_2} : B}$$

*Binding a continuation gives you a choice!*

# $\lambda^*$

And two call-by-value equations...

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : A \vdash e : B \quad \Gamma \vdash v : A}{\Gamma \vdash (\lambda(x : A).e) v \equiv e[v/x] : A \Rightarrow B}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash v : A \Rightarrow B}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda(x : A).v x \equiv v : A \Rightarrow B}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : A^* \vdash e : B \quad \Gamma \vdash v : A^*}{\Gamma \vdash (\tilde{\lambda}(x : A^*).e) v \equiv e[v/x] : B}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash v : A + B}{\Gamma \vdash \tilde{\lambda}(x : A^*).\tilde{v} \tilde{x} \equiv v : A + B}$$

Or, Freyd categories with Kleisli exponentials & co-exponentials (see **slide 51**):

$$\mathcal{C}(J(C \times A), B) \cong \mathcal{U}(C, A \Rightarrow B)$$

$$\mathcal{C}(A^* \cdot B, C) \cong \mathcal{C}(B, J(A) + C)$$

This is a fine-grained language for understanding control flow using continuations under the hood.

# $\lambda^*$

## ■ Key ideas

- ▶ *Main trick*: Split values and computations (double negations).
- ▶ You can't create continuations using functions, only co-exponentials.
- ▶ No need to split contexts, and no polarities necessary.

## ■ Semantics

- ▶ It admits weakening and substitution.
- ▶ It has operational, categorical, and adequate denotational semantics.
- ▶ It is a conservative extension of STLC.
- ▶ Axiomatized by closed co-closed Freyd categories.

## ■ Applications

- ▶ Combines exponentials and co-exponentials, but is *not degenerate*.
- ▶ Clean encoding of subtractive/co-intuitionistic logics:  ${}^B A = B \times A^*$ .
- ▶ Clean language of values and continuations (cf.  $\mu\tilde{\mu}$ ,  $\lambda\mu$ , polarities)



# Philosophical Musings

Magic tricks are surprising, but once you reveal the trick, they become boring.

What lessons did we learn from this trick?

## ■ No-go theorems

- ▶ Trick to getting around them: splitting values and computations.
- ▶ We turned products into premonoidal products.
- ▶ These are well-known techniques in PL.
- ▶ Instead of a *programming language*, we get a *call-by-value* programming language.
- ▶ Where else can we play this game?

# Philosophical Musings

What lessons did we learn from this trick?

## ■ Duality

- ▶ There is a deep duality between functions and continuations.
- ▶ Therefore, they should enjoy the same ontological status.
- ▶ We shouldn't conflate continuations with functions.
- ▶ Co-exponentials are a powerful interface, as we will see next.
- ▶ Duality is a fashionable trend in PL:

(pairs) products	co-products (sums)
(effects) monads	co-monads (co-effects, purity)
(induction) initial algebras	final co-algebras (co-induction)
(functions) exponentials	co-exponentials (continuations)

# Co-exponentials in Action

- ★ Classical Logic & Control Operators
- ★ Speculative Execution & Backtracking
- ★ Effect Handlers
- ★ First-order Control Flow

Programming in  $\lambda^*$  is like programming in Haskell with monadic operations and two operators: `colam`, `coapp`.

# Classical logic and control

I can derive classical logic and control operators.

The identity co-function:  $\tilde{\lambda}(x : A^*) . x$  gives you LEM!

```
lem :: a + a*  
lem = colam idk
```

callCC comes from colam!

```
codiag :: a + a → a  
codiag = either id id  
  
callCC :: (a* ⇒ a) ⇒ a  
callCC = fmap codiag . colam
```

# Backtracking operators

A toy DSL for backtracking using co-exponentials in Haskell...

```
assumeRight :: ((a → r) → Cont r b) → Cont r (a + b)
assumeRight = colam
```

```
resolveRight :: Cont r (a + b) → (a → r) → Cont r b
resolveRight = coapp
```

A way to swap choices...

```
swap :: (a + b) → (b + a)
swap = either Right Left
```

Compare: Thielecke's Double-Barrelled CPS

# Backtracking operators

Some derived operators:

```
assumeLeft :: ((b → r) → Cont r a) → Cont r (a + b)
assumeLeft = fmap swap . colam
```

```
resolveLeft :: Cont r (a + b) → (b → r) → Cont r a
resolveLeft = coapp . fmap swap
```

```
assumeBoth :: ((a → r) → (b → r) → r) → Cont r (a + b)
assumeBoth f = assumeRight $ \k1 → cont $ \k2 → f k1 k2
```

```
resolveBoth :: Cont r (a + b) → (a → r) → (b → r) → r
resolveBoth f k1 = runCont (resolveRight f k1)
```

# Backtracking SAT solver

```
data Prop = PVar String | PZero | POne
          | PAnd Prop Prop | POr Prop Prop | PNot Prop
```

```
solve :: Env Bool → Prop → Cont r (Fail + Succ r)
```

```
solve env phi =
```

```
  case phi of
```

```
    PZero →
```

```
      assumeLeft $ \succ →
```

```
        return ()
```

```
    POne →
```

```
      assumeRight $ \fail →
```

```
    ...
```

*Demo?*

Compare: Jacob Errington's SAT solver, Jules Hedges' SAT solver.

# Speculative Execution & Backtracking

You want to write a program of type  $a + b$ ...

## ■ Speculative Execution

- ▶ You need to make a choice  $a + b$ , but you can't commit to a choice **Left** or **Right**.
- ▶ Speculatively, choose  $b$  with `assumeRight`. Then, `assumeRight` gives you a free continuation  $a^*$ . You may or may not use it.
- ▶ Do some computation and produce  $b$ .



# Speculative Execution & Backtracking

The user of your `a + b` program wants to execute it...

## ■ Backtracking

- ▶ There are two ways to use these sum types: `case` or `resolve`.
- ▶ If they case on the sum, there are two execution paths:
  - ★ When they use `Right` `b`, they execute your computation.
  - ★ When they use `Left` `a`, the system jumps to a top-level continuation.

# Speculative Execution & Backtracking

## ■ Backtracking

- ▶ If they use a resolve combinator:
  - ★ If they call `resolveRight`, they have to plugin a continuation  $a^*$ , producing  $b$ . This continuation gets passed in to the environment of the original computation.
  - ★ If they call `resolveLeft`, they have to plugin a continuation  $b^*$ , and they get an  $a$ . This continuation gets spliced into the top-level stack.

Key idea: *two continuations for two execution paths.*

All this can be translated to  $\lambda^*$ , and the equations of  $\lambda^*$  validate these informal ideas of speculative execution and backtracking. This is an *algebraic axiomatization of control effects and handlers*.

# Effect handlers

I can derive effect handlers using co-exponential operators.

Well-known to Haskellers: Church-encode the free monad...

```
newtype Free f a = Free { runFree :: forall r. (f r → r) → Cont r a }
```

There are two continuations to manage: the handler (algebra)  $f\ r \rightarrow r$ , and the generator  $a \rightarrow r$ .

```
colamFree :: Free f a → Cont r (f r + a)
colamFree f = colam $ \alg → cont $ \gen →
  runCont (runFree f alg) gen
```

```
foldFree :: Functor f ⇒ (f r → r) → (a → r) → Free f a → r
foldFree alg gen = reset0 . fmap (either alg gen) . colamFree
```

*Demo?*

# Whither functions?

We've been using higher-order functions to encode continuations.

Do we need to?

Some ideas:

## ■ Kleisli exponentials

From the point of view of Freyd categories:

We don't need  $\mathcal{U}$  to be cartesian closed, we only need Kleisli exponentials.

But in practice,  $\mathcal{U}$  is cartesian closed, with a strong monad.

# Whither functions?

## ■ Classical encoding

Encode functions  $A \rightarrow B$  as  $B + A^*$ .

This gives a CPS-ed function:

$$C \rightarrow (B + A^*) \cong C \times B^* \rightarrow A^*$$

...which is a compromise.

# Whither functions?

## ■ First-order languages with co-exponentials

Instead, what if we had a first-order language, and added co-exponentials?

Hasegawa's trick: using functional completeness, split  $\lambda$ -calculus into two first-order calculi:  $\kappa$  and  $\zeta$ -calculi. This is like an arrow calculus.

Using co-exponentials, I can dualise functional completeness and produce a first-order arrow language with control flow.

# Functional Completeness

## ■ Functional Completeness

STLC/CCCs enjoy a functional completeness property (Lambek & Scott 1986), like the deduction theorem in proof theory.

- ▶ to prove  $A \rightarrow B$ , it is sufficient to prove B assuming A.
- ▶ to write a program of type  $A \rightarrow B$ , it is sufficient to write a program of type B, assuming a free variable of type A.

## ■ Dual of Functional Completeness

CoCCCoCCs enjoy a dual of functional completeness (interpreting co-exponential objects using continuations):

- ▶ to prove  $A + B$ , it is sufficient to prove B assuming  $A^*$ .
- ▶ to write a program of type  $A + B$ , it is sufficient to write a program of type B, assuming a free continuation for A.

This can be proved by abstract nonsense (see **slide 52**).

# $\kappa/\zeta$

Hasegawa splits  $\lambda$ -calculus into  $\kappa$ /lift and  $\zeta$ /pass: these are arrow calculi, arrows have identity and composition, and these operators.

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash c : 1 \rightsquigarrow C}{\Gamma \vdash \text{lift}_A(c) : A \rightsquigarrow C \times A}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : 1 \rightsquigarrow C \vdash f : A \rightsquigarrow B}{\Gamma \vdash \kappa x^C.f : C \times A \rightsquigarrow B}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash c : 1 \rightsquigarrow C}{\Gamma \vdash \text{pass}_B(c) : (C \Rightarrow B) \rightsquigarrow B}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : 1 \rightsquigarrow C \vdash f : A \rightsquigarrow B}{\Gamma \vdash \zeta x^C.f : A \rightsquigarrow (C \Rightarrow B)}$$

Equational theory on **slide 53**.



# $\kappa^*/\zeta^*$

Dualising...

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash c : 1 \rightsquigarrow C^*}{\Gamma \vdash \text{lift}_A^*(c) : A \rightsquigarrow (A - C)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : 1 \rightsquigarrow C^* \vdash f : A \rightsquigarrow B}{\Gamma \vdash \kappa^* x^C.f : (A - C) \rightsquigarrow B}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash c : 1 \rightsquigarrow C^*}{\Gamma \vdash \text{pass}_B^*(c) : (C + B) \rightsquigarrow B}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : 1 \rightsquigarrow C^* \vdash f : A \rightsquigarrow B}{\Gamma \vdash \zeta^* x^C.f : A \rightsquigarrow (C + B)}$$

This gives you a first-order programming language with control flow operators.

If you add natural numbers, you get (first-order) primitive recursion with control flow. What is its expressive power? Can you write `genericcount`/`effcount`?

Equational theory on **slide 54**.

# Programming in $\kappa^*/\zeta^*$

These operators allow you to do surgery on first-order programs.

With an indeterminate  $z : Z^*$ ,

$$A \xrightarrow{\text{lift}^*(z)} A - Z \xrightarrow{\zeta^*z.id} Z + (A - Z) \xrightarrow{Z + \kappa^*z.id} Z + A \xrightarrow{\text{pass}^*(z)} A$$

$$A \xrightarrow{\zeta^*z.id} Z + A \xrightarrow{Z + \text{lift}^*(z)} Z + (A - Z) \xrightarrow{\text{pass}^*(z)} A - Z \xrightarrow{\kappa^*z.id} A$$

Rewrite programs using  $\zeta^*/\text{pass}^*$ :

$$A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \xrightarrow{h} D \xrightarrow{e} E$$

$$A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{\zeta^*z.g} Z + C \xrightarrow{h'} Z + D \xrightarrow{\text{pass}^*(z)} D \xrightarrow{e} E$$

A mechanism for breakpoints, checkpoints, code pointers, debugging?

# Some type isomorphisms

Like Tarski's high-school algebra identities, but with subtraction:

$$X - 0 \cong X$$

$$0 - X \cong 0$$

$$(X + Y) - Z \cong (X - Z) + (Y - Z)$$

$$(X + Z) \Rightarrow Y \cong (Y - X) \Rightarrow Z$$

These make more sense once you translate them back to STLC with an R.

# Lawvere's $\partial$ operator

Examples of co-Heyting algebras in nature:

- ★ Closed subsets of a topological space
- ★ Subobject lattices of presheaf categories

Following Lawvere, define the boundary operator:  $\partial A = A - A$ .

These Leibniz maps exist:

$$\partial(A \times B) \rightarrow \partial A \times B + A \times \partial B$$

$$\partial A \times B + A \times \partial B \rightarrow \partial(A \times B)$$

To make this an iso, however, Lawvere requires a de Morgan law:

$$(A \times B)^* \cong A^* + B^*$$

# Session Types

I discovered these when studying session types & classical linear logic using (strict) star-autonomous categories, following Mellies' articles on negation, dialogue categories, chiralities, tensorial logic.

A star-autonomous category is linearly-distributive with appropriate duals.

$$A \otimes (-) \dashv A^* \wp (-)$$

$$(-) \otimes B^* \dashv (-) \wp B$$

This gives:  $A \multimap B = A^* \wp B$ , and  $A \multimap B = A \otimes B^*$ .

Cut in (H)CP is:

$$(B \multimap C) \otimes (A \multimap B) \longrightarrow (A \multimap C)$$

Dually:

$$(B \multimap C) \wp (A \multimap B) \longleftarrow (A \multimap C)$$

# Co-exponentials in disguise

Some places where co-exponentials appear:

- ★ CBV translation of  $\mu\tilde{\mu}$  calculus
- ★ Streicher, Reus, Hofmann: Semantics of  $\lambda\mu$  calculus
- ★ Thielecke's thesis: Section 4.5
- ★ Selinger's co-control categories

Note: We fixed the result type  $R$ , but we can do more if we choose different  $R$ s, e.g.  $\Omega^{(-)} : \mathcal{E}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$  is monadic.

# Conclusion

## ■ Duality

Higher-order functions give you exponentials.

Higher-order continuations give you co-exponentials

## ■ Co-exponential operators

- ▶ Algebraic axiomatization of control flow using continuations
- ▶ Interpretation of bi-intuitionistic, subtractive, classical logic
- ▶ Backtracking and Control operators
- ▶ Fine-grained study of effect handlers

## ■ Decomposing functions

- ▶ Linear logic gives  $A \rightarrow B = !A \multimap B$  and  $A \multimap B = A^* \wp B$ .
- ▶ Girardian comonads and Moggi's monads give:  $DA \rightarrow TB$ .
- ▶ Continuations/co-exponentials give:  $A \rightarrow B = A^* + B$ .

## *Bonus slides*



# A micrological study of continuations

Start with a cartesian closed category  $\mathcal{C}$  with a fixed object  $R$ . Since it is self-enriched, we can write  $Y^X$  for the hom  $\mathcal{C}(X, Y)$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & R(-) & \\ \swarrow & \text{ } & \searrow \\ \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} & \xrightarrow{\quad R(-) \quad} & \mathcal{C} \end{array}$$

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The contravariant negation functor is strong self-adjoint on the left.

$$R(-) : \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$$

$$A \mapsto R^A$$

$$B \xrightarrow{f} A \mapsto R^A \xrightarrow{(-) \circ f} R^B$$

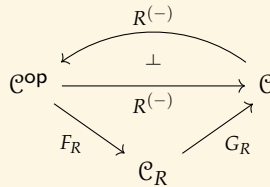
$$st_{X,Y} : \mathcal{C}(X, Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}}(R^X, R^Y)$$

$$f \mapsto R^Y \xrightarrow{(-) \circ f} R^X$$

$$\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}}(R^X, Y) = \mathcal{C}(Y, R^X) \cong \mathcal{C}(X \times Y, R) \cong \mathcal{C}(X, R^Y)$$

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By (bo, ff) factorisation,  $R^{(-)}$  splits as follows,  $C_R$  is the full-image of  $R^{(-)}$ .



$$F_R : C^{\text{op}} \rightarrow C_R$$

$$A \mapsto A$$

$$B \xrightarrow{f} A \mapsto R^A \xrightarrow{(-) \circ f} R^B$$

$$G_R : C_R \rightarrow C^{\text{op}}$$

$$A \mapsto R^A$$

$$R^A \xrightarrow{f} R^B \mapsto R^A \xrightarrow{f} R^B$$

$F_R$  has a left-adjoint:  $R^{(-)} \circ G_R \dashv F_R$ .

$$C^{\text{op}}(R^{G_R(X)}, Y) = C(R^{R^X}, Y) \cong C(R^X, R^Y) = C_R(X, F_R(Y))$$

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If  $C$  has co-products, they become products in  $C^{\text{op}}$ , then products in  $C_R$ .

$$\begin{aligned}C_R(Z, X + Y) &= C(R^Z, R^{X+Y}) \\&\cong C(R^Z, R^X \times R^Y) \\&\cong C(R^Z, R^X) \times C(R^Z, R^Y) = C_R(Z, X) \times C_R(Z, Y)\end{aligned}$$

Since  $G_R$  is  $\text{ff}$ , it reflects limits.

$$G^R(X + Y) = R^{X+Y} \cong R^X \times R^Y = G_R(X) \times G_R(Y)$$

$G_R$  wants to be a cartesian-closed functor.

If  $X \Rightarrow Y$  was the exponential in  $C_R$ ,

$$G_R(X \Rightarrow Y) \cong G_R(Y)^{G_R(X)} = (R^Y)^{R^X} \cong R^{Y \times R^X}$$

Hence,  $X \Rightarrow Y = Y \times R^X$ , making  $G_R$  a cartesian-closed functor.

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Finally, the continuation monad on  $\mathcal{C}$  is  $T_R = R^{(-)} \circ R^{(-)}$ .

Consider the Kleisli arrows:

$$C_{T_R}(X, Y) = \mathcal{C}(X, T_R(Y)) = \mathcal{C}(X, R^{R^Y}) \cong \mathcal{C}(R^Y, R^X) = C_R^{\text{op}}(X, Y)$$

Since  $C_R$  is cartesian closed,  $C_{T_R}$  becomes co-cartesian co-closed.

This uses self-enrichment and strength, and can be done more generally in an enriched setting.

# Closed co-closed Freyd categories

A distributive closed Freyd category  $\mathcal{U} \xrightarrow{J} \mathcal{C}$  has:

- ★ Kleisli exponentials:

$J((-) \times A) : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  has a right adjoint  $A \Rightarrow (-)$ :

$$\mathcal{C}(J(C \times A), B) \cong \mathcal{U}(C, A \Rightarrow B)$$

Add:

- ★ a function  $(-)^* : |\mathcal{U}| \rightarrow |\mathcal{U}|$  on the objects of  $\mathcal{U}$

- ★ Kleisli co-exponentials:

$J(A) + (-) : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  has a specified left adjoint  $A^* \cdot (-)$ :

$$\mathcal{C}(A^* \cdot B, C) \cong \mathcal{U}(B, J(A) + C)$$

This is a candidate axiomatisation of  $\lambda^*$ .

# Functional Completeness

For a CCC  $\mathcal{C}$ :

- ★  $A \times (-) : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  is a comonad,  $(-)^A : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  is a monad.
- ★ The Kleisli category  $\mathcal{C}_{A \times (-)}$  is a CCC (with an indeterminate value  $1 \rightarrow A$ ).
- ★  $\mathcal{C}_{A \times (-)}$  and  $\mathcal{C}_{(-)^A}$  are canonically equivalent, by currying.

For a CoCCoCC  $\mathcal{C}$ :

- ★  $A + (-) : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  is a monad,  $^A(-) : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  is a comonad.
- ★ The Kleisli category  $\mathcal{C}_{A + (-)}$  is a CoCCoCC (with an indeterminate continuation  $1 \rightarrow A^*$ ).
- ★  $\mathcal{C}_{A + (-)}$  and  $\mathcal{C}_{^A(-)}$  are canonically equivalent, by co-currying.

# Equational Theory of $\kappa/\zeta$

Equational theory of  $\kappa$ :

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash f : C \times A \rightsquigarrow B}{\Gamma \vdash \kappa x^C.(f \circ \text{lift}_A(x)) \equiv f : C \times A \rightsquigarrow B}$$
$$\frac{\Gamma, x : 1 \rightsquigarrow C \vdash f : A \rightsquigarrow B \quad \Gamma \vdash c : 1 \rightsquigarrow C}{\Gamma \vdash \kappa x^C.f \circ \text{lift}_A(c) \equiv f[c/x] : A \rightsquigarrow B}$$

Equational theory of  $\zeta$ :

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash f : A \rightsquigarrow (C \Rightarrow B)}{\Gamma \vdash \zeta x^C.(\text{pass}_B(x) \circ f) \equiv f : A \rightsquigarrow (C \Rightarrow B)}$$
$$\frac{\Gamma, x : 1 \rightsquigarrow C \vdash f : A \rightsquigarrow B \quad \Gamma \vdash c : 1 \rightsquigarrow C}{\Gamma \vdash \text{pass}_B(c) \circ \zeta x^C.f \equiv f[c/x] : A \rightsquigarrow B}$$

# Equational Theory of $\kappa^*/\zeta^*$

Equational theory of  $\kappa^*$ :

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash f : A - C \rightsquigarrow B}{\Gamma \vdash \kappa^* x^C.(f \circ \text{lift}_A^*(x)) \equiv f : (A - C) \rightsquigarrow B}$$
$$\frac{\Gamma, x : 1 \rightsquigarrow C^* \vdash f : A \rightsquigarrow B \quad \Gamma \vdash c : 1 \rightsquigarrow C^*}{\Gamma \vdash \kappa^* x^C.f \circ \text{lift}_A^*(c) \equiv f[c/x] : A \rightsquigarrow B}$$

Equational theory of  $\zeta^*$ :

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash f : A \rightsquigarrow (C + B)}{\Gamma \vdash \zeta^* x^C.(\text{pass}_B^*(x) \circ f) \equiv f : A \rightsquigarrow (C + B)}$$
$$\frac{\Gamma, x : 1 \rightsquigarrow C^* \vdash f : A \rightsquigarrow B \quad \Gamma \vdash c : 1 \rightsquigarrow C^*}{\Gamma \vdash \text{pass}_B^*(c) \circ \zeta^* x^C.f \equiv f[c/x] : A \rightsquigarrow B}$$