

PFPL Part X

Exceptions and Continuations

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The technique of structural dynamics is very useful for theoretical purposes, such as proving type safety, but is too high level to be directly usable in an implementation.

structural dynamics 适合用来进行形式化证明，但是对语言实现而言过于高层. 我们并不知道在当前计算中我们走到了哪一步.

因此我们引入 *control stack* 的概念，用一个显式的数据结构跟踪我们当前在哪里，接下来要做什么.

接下来我们将在 $\mathcal{L}\{\text{nat} \rightarrow\}$ 中这样引入的新的原语. 新的抽象机器我们称之为 $\mathcal{K}\{\text{nat} \rightarrow\}$

A state, s of $\mathcal{K}\{\text{nat} \multimap \}$ consists of a *control stack*, k , and a closed expression, e . States may take one of two formulas

1. An *evaluation* state of the form $k \triangleright e$ corresponds to the evaluation of a closed expression, e , relative to a control stack, k .

含义：我们需要在 control stack k 的上下文中，对 e 进行求值.

2. An *return* state of the form $k \triangleleft e$, where $e \text{ val}$, corresponds to the evaluation of a stack, k , relative to a closed value, e .

含义：我们需要将求值好的 $e \text{ val}$ 返回给 control stack k 的上下文，并继续接下来的求值.

Control stack 表示的是当前的计算上下文. 它存储了当前计算的“位置”. 形式化的说, 一个 control stack 是一个 *frames* list:

$$\overline{\epsilon \text{ stack}} \quad (27.1a)$$

$$\frac{f \text{ frame } k \text{ stack}}{k; f \text{ stack}} \quad (27.1b)$$

接下来我们将要定义哪些是 frame.

$\mathcal{L}\{\text{nat} \multimap\}$ 的 frames 导出地定义为：

$$\frac{}{\text{s}(-) \text{ frame}} \quad (27.2a)$$

$$\frac{}{\text{ifz}(-; e_1; x.e_2) \text{ frame}} \quad (27.2b)$$

$$\frac{}{\text{ap}(-, e_2) \text{ frame}} \quad (27.2c)$$

回忆 Chapter 10.2 的内容， $\mathcal{K}\{\text{nat} \multimap\}$ 的 frams 与 $\mathcal{L}\{\text{nat} \multimap\}$ 的 dynamics 是对应的。

接下来，让我们从 natural numbers 讲述 rules

$$\frac{}{k \triangleright z \mapsto k \triangleleft z} \quad (27.3a)$$

$$\frac{}{k \triangleright s(e) \mapsto k; s(-) \triangleright e} \quad (27.3b)$$

$$\frac{}{k; s(-) \triangleleft e \mapsto k \triangleleft s(e)} \quad (27.3c)$$

(27.3a) 表示计算 z 我们将其直接返回. (27.3b) 表示计算 $s(e)$ 我们创建一个新的 frame 等待内部的 e . (27.3c) 表示当刚刚所说的 frame 返回后我们可以弹出栈顶，继续计算.

接下来是 $\text{if } z$ 的规则.

$$\frac{}{k \triangleright \text{if } z(e; e_1; e_2) \mapsto k; \text{ if } z(-; e_1; x.e_2) \triangleleft e} \quad (27.4a)$$

$$\frac{}{k; \text{ if } z(-; e_1; x.e_2) \triangleleft z \mapsto k \triangleright e_1} \quad (27.4b)$$

$$\frac{}{k; \text{ if } z(-; e_1; x.e_2) \triangleleft s(e) \mapsto k \triangleright [e/x]e_2} \quad (27.4c)$$

类似的, (27.4a) 先计算 e 并将 $\text{if } z(-; e_1; x.e_2)$ 压栈, 然后 (27.4b) 展示了 returns z 的情况, (27.4c) 展示了 returns s 的情况.

最后是 lambda 演算的对应规则.

$$\frac{}{k \triangleright \text{lam}[\tau](x.e) \mapsto k \triangleleft \text{lam}[\tau](x.e)} \quad (27.5a)$$

$$\frac{}{k \triangleright \text{ap}(e_1; e_2) \mapsto k; \text{ap}(-; e_2) \triangleright e_1} \quad (27.5b)$$

$$\frac{}{k; \text{ap}(-; e_2) \triangleleft \text{lam}[\tau](x.e) \mapsto k \triangleright [e_2/x]e} \quad (27.5c)$$

$$\frac{}{k \triangleright \text{fix}[\tau](x.e) \mapsto k \triangleright [\text{fix}[\tau](x.e)/x]e} \quad (27.5d)$$

接下来是初始状态和终止状态.

$$\frac{}{\epsilon \triangleright e \text{ initial}} \tag{27.6a}$$

$$\frac{e \text{ val}}{\epsilon \triangleleft e \text{ final}} \tag{27.6b}$$

让我们用一个例子，比如计算 $s(s(z))$ 的前驱来理解.

	$\epsilon \triangleright \text{if}z(s(s(z)); z; x.x) \text{ initial}$	
\mapsto	$\epsilon; \text{if}z(--; z; x.x) \triangleright s(s(z))$	using (27.4a)
\mapsto	$\epsilon; \text{if}z(--; z; x.x); s(--) \triangleright s(z)$	using (27.3b)
\mapsto	$\epsilon; \text{if}z(--; z; x.x); s(--); s(--) \triangleright z$	using (27.3b)
\mapsto	$\epsilon; \text{if}z(--; z; x.x); s(--); s(--) \triangleleft z$	using (27.3a)
\mapsto	$\epsilon; \text{if}z(--; z; x.x); s(--) \triangleleft s(z)$	using (27.3c)
\mapsto	$\epsilon; \text{if}z(--; z; x.x) \triangleleft s(s(z))$	using (27.3c)
\mapsto	$\epsilon \triangleright s(z)$	using (27.3c)
\mapsto	$\epsilon; s(--) \triangleright [s(z)/x]x = s(z)$	using (27.3b)
\mapsto	$\epsilon; s(--) \triangleleft z$	using (27.3a)
\mapsto	$\epsilon \triangleleft s(z) \text{ final}$	using (27.3b)

为了定义和证明 $\mathcal{K}\{\text{nat} \multimap\}$ 的 safety 我们引入新的 typing judgment
 $k : \tau$ 表示 stack t 期望类型 τ 的值.

$$\frac{}{\epsilon : \tau} \tag{27.7a}$$

$$\frac{k : \tau' \quad f : \tau \Rightarrow \tau'}{k;f : \tau} \tag{27.7b}$$

$f : \tau \Rightarrow \tau'$ 表示栈帧 f 会把 value of type τ 转换成 value of type τ'

三种 frame 的类型分别如下：

$$\frac{}{s(-) : \mathbf{nat} \Rightarrow \mathbf{nat}} \quad (27.8a)$$

$$\frac{e_1 : \tau \quad x : \mathbf{nat} \vdash e_2 : \tau}{\mathbf{ifz}(-; e_1; x.e_2) : \mathbf{nat} \Rightarrow \tau} \quad (27.8b)$$

$$\frac{e_2 : \tau}{\mathbf{ap}(-, e_2) : \mathbf{arr}(\tau_2; \tau) \Rightarrow \tau} \quad (27.8c)$$

The states of $\mathcal{K}\{\text{nat} \multimap\}$ are well-formed if their stack and expression components match:

$$\frac{k : \tau \quad e : \tau}{k \triangleright e \text{ ok}} \tag{27.9a}$$

$$\frac{k : \tau \quad e : \tau \quad e \text{ val}}{k \triangleleft e \text{ ok}} \tag{27.9b}$$

Correctness of the Control Machine

Control Stacks

If we evaluate a given expression, e , using $\mathcal{K}\{\text{nat} \rightarrow\}$, do we get the same result as would be given by $\mathcal{L}\{\text{nat} \rightarrow\}$, and *vice versa*?

对 $\mathcal{K}\{\text{nat} \rightarrow\}$ 与 $\mathcal{L}\{\text{nat} \rightarrow\}$ 定义 soundness 和 completeness:

Completeness If $e \mapsto^* e'$ where $e' \text{ val}$, then $\epsilon \triangleright e \mapsto^* \epsilon \triangleleft e'$.

Soundness If $\epsilon \triangleright e \mapsto^* \epsilon \triangleleft e'$, then $e \mapsto^* e'$ with $e' \text{ val}$.

从 completeness 讲起. 最终目的是导出 If $e \mapsto^* e'$ where $e' \text{ val}$, then $\epsilon \triangleright e \mapsto^* \epsilon \triangleleft e'$. 我们可以先运用数学归纳法:

- $e \text{ val}$, then $\epsilon \triangleright e \mapsto^* \epsilon \triangleleft e$

这条证明比较显然, 考虑到 val 只有函数 (立即返回) 和 $s^n(z)$

- $e \mapsto e'$, then $\forall v \text{ val}, (\epsilon \triangleright e' \mapsto^* \epsilon \triangleleft v) \rightarrow (\epsilon \triangleright e' \mapsto^* \epsilon \triangleleft v)$

这条证明接下来说.

这样对于 $e_1 \mapsto e_2 \mapsto \dots \mapsto e_n \text{ val}$ 可以逐步归纳到 $\epsilon \triangleright e_1 \mapsto \epsilon \triangleleft e_n$

Correctness of the Control Machine

Control Stacks

A generalization is to prove that if $e \mapsto e'$ and $k \triangleright e' \mapsto^* k \triangleleft v$, then $k \triangleright e \mapsto^* k \triangleleft v$. Consider again the case $e = \text{ap}(e_1; e_2)$, $e' = \text{ap}(e'_1; e_2)$, with $e_1 \mapsto e'_1$. We are given that $k \triangleright \text{ap}(e'_1; e_2) \mapsto^* k \triangleleft v$, and we are to show that $k \triangleright \text{ap}(e_1; e_2) \mapsto^* k \triangleleft v$. It is easy to show that the first step of the former derivation is

$$k \triangleright \text{ap}(e'_1; e_2) \mapsto k; \text{ap}(-; e_2) \triangleright e'_1.$$

We would like to apply induction to the derivation of $e_1 \mapsto e'_1$, but to do so we must have a v_1 such that $e'_1 \mapsto^* v_1$, which is not immediately at hand.

This means that we must consider the ultimate value of each sub-expression of an expression in order to complete the proof. This information is provided by the evaluation dynamics described in Chapter 7, which has the property that $e \Downarrow e'$ iff $e \mapsto^* e'$ and $e' \text{ val}$.

Correctness of the Control Machine

Control Stacks

Lemma 27.2. If $e \downarrow v$, then for every k stack, $k \triangleright e \mapsto^* k \triangleleft v$

归纳证明它很困难，为了证明它，我们可以考虑每个 $\mathcal{K}\{\text{nat} \rightarrow\}$ 状态编码了一个表达式，它的 transitions 可以被 $\mathcal{L}\{\text{nat} \rightarrow\}$ transitions 模拟。

引入 $s \nrightarrow e$ 表示 s 可以被解释成 e .

For $s = \epsilon \triangleright e$ initial and $s = \epsilon \triangleleft e$ final, we have $s \nrightarrow e$

We want to show that $\begin{cases} s \mapsto^* s' \\ s' \text{ final} \\ s \nrightarrow e \\ s' \nrightarrow e' \end{cases}$ then $e' \text{ val}, e \mapsto^* e'$

Correctness of the Control Machine

Control Stacks

- If $s \not\rightarrow e$ and s final then e val. 由 (27.6b)
- **Lemma 27.3.** If $s \mapsto s'$, $s \not\rightarrow e$, $s' \not\rightarrow e'$, then $e \mapsto^* e'$

我们需要引入 $k \bowtie e = e'$ 表示既有 $k \triangleright e \not\rightarrow e'$ 又有 $k \triangleleft e \not\rightarrow e'$

$$\overline{\epsilon \bowtie e = e} \tag{27.12a}$$

$$\frac{k \bowtie s(e) = e'}{k; s(-) \bowtie e = e'} \tag{27.12b}$$

$$\frac{k \bowtie \text{ifz}(e_1; e_2; x.e_3) = e'}{k; \text{ifz}(-; e_2; x.e_3) \bowtie e_1 = e'} \tag{27.12c}$$

$$\frac{k \bowtie \text{ap}(e_1; e_2) = e}{k; \text{ap}(-; e_2) \bowtie e_1 = e} \tag{27.12d}$$

Lemma 27.5. The judgment $s \rightarrow e$ has mode $(\forall, \exists!)$, and the judgment $k \bowtie e = e'$ has mode $(\forall, \forall, \exists!)$

新书的表示是 The judgment $s \rightarrow e$ relates every state s to a unique expression e , and the judgment $k \bowtie e = e'$ relates every stack k and expression e to a unique expression e'

Lemma 27.6. If $e \mapsto e'$, $k \bowtie e = d$, $k \bowtie e' = d'$, then $d \mapsto d'$

我们现在终于能证明 Lemma 27.3.

这样 Completeness 也可以证明：

Correctness of the Control Machine

Control Stacks

Proof of Lemma 27.2. The proof is by induction on an evaluation dynamics for $\mathcal{L}\{\text{nat} \rightarrow\}$.

Consider the evaluation rule

$$\frac{e_1 \Downarrow \text{lam}[\tau_2](x.e) \quad [e_2/x]e \Downarrow v}{\text{ap}(e_1; e_2) \Downarrow v} \quad (27.10)$$

For an arbitrary control stack, k , we are to show that $k \triangleright \text{ap}(e_1; e_2) \mapsto^* k \triangleleft v$. Applying both of the inductive hypotheses in succession, interleaved with steps of the abstract machine, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} k \triangleright \text{ap}(e_1; e_2) &\mapsto k ; \text{ap}(-; e_2) \triangleright e_1 \\ &\mapsto^* k ; \text{ap}(-; e_2) \triangleleft \text{lam}[\tau_2](x.e) \\ &\mapsto k \triangleright [e_2/x]e \\ &\mapsto^* k \triangleleft v. \end{aligned}$$

The other cases of the proof are handled similarly. \square

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Exceptions effect a non-local transfer of control from the point at which the exception is raised to an enclosing handler for that exception.

```
effect raise
  ctl raise( msg : string ) : a
fun safe-divide( x : int, y : int ) : raise int
  if y==0 then raise("div-by-zero") else x / y
fun raise-const() : int
with handler
  ctl raise(msg) 42
8 + safe-divide(1,0)
```

Syntax

$\text{Exp } e ::= \text{fail} \qquad \text{fail} \qquad \text{failure}$

$\text{catch}(e_1; e_2) \quad \text{catch } e_1 \text{ ow } e_2 \text{ handler}$

Statics

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \text{fail} : \tau} \tag{28.1a}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash \text{catch}(e_1; e_2) : \tau} \tag{28.1b}$$

Failure 可以是任何类型，因为它永远不会返回¹. 同时这里的 catch 两个类型必须一致，因为 value 可能是任何一个.

Failure 的 dynamics 可以用 *stack unwinding* 来给出. 直观地说，一个 fail 将会一路弹出 control stack 的栈顶，直到找到最近的一个 `catch(-; e2)`，然后计算 e_2 为整个 catch 的 value.

让我们继续用 stack machine 来抽象它. 引入新的 state, $k \blacktriangleleft$

¹所以为什么不干脆让它是 `never` 呢

在之前的基础上， 我们再添加下列规则：

$$\frac{}{k \triangleright \text{fail} \mapsto k \blacktriangleleft} \quad (28.2a)$$

$$\frac{}{k \triangleright \text{catch}(e_1; e_2) \mapsto k; \text{catch}(-; e_2) \triangleright e_1} \quad (28.2b)$$

$$\frac{}{k; \text{catch}(-; e_2) \triangleleft v \mapsto k \triangleleft v} \quad (28.2c)$$

$$\frac{}{k; \text{catch}(-; e_2) \blacktriangleleft \mapsto k \triangleright e_2} \quad (28.2d)$$

$$\frac{}{k; f \blacktriangleleft \mapsto k \blacktriangleleft} \quad (28.2e)$$

initial state 不变的. 但是, final state 现在还需要包含另一种情况

$$\frac{e \text{ val}}{\epsilon \triangleleft e \text{ final}} \quad (28.3a)$$

$$\overline{\epsilon \blacktriangleleft \text{final}} \quad (28.3b)$$

Safety

1. If s ok and $s \mapsto s'$, then s' ok
2. If s ok, then either s final or there exists s' that $s \mapsto s'$

Exceptions

Exceptions

Failure 不承载数据，只是简单的一路 unwind, 我们更多的用 Exception, 负载错误对应的数据. 这样我们能分辨是什么错误.

$\text{Exp } e ::= \text{raise}[\tau](e) \quad \text{raise}(e) \quad \text{exception}$
 $\text{handle}(e_1; x.e_2) \quad \text{handle } e_1 \text{ ow } x \Rightarrow e_2 \quad \text{handler}$

Statics

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \tau_{exn}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{raise}[\tau](e) : \tau} \tag{28.4a}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau \quad \Gamma, x : \tau_{exn} \vdash e_2 : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash \text{handle}(e_1; x.e_2) : \tau} \tag{28.4b}$$

Exceptions

Exceptions

类似的，扩展 $k \blacktriangleleft$ 到 $k \blacktriangleleft e$ 其中 $e : \tau_{exn}$ 可以继续得到 dynamics

Dynamics

$$\frac{}{k \triangleright \mathbf{raise}[\tau](e) \mapsto k; \mathbf{raise}[\tau](-) \triangleright e} \quad (28.5a)$$

$$\frac{}{k; \mathbf{raise}[\tau](-) \triangleleft e \mapsto k \blacktriangleleft e} \quad (28.5b)$$

$$\frac{}{k; \mathbf{raise}[\tau](-) \blacktriangleleft e \mapsto k \blacktriangleleft e} \quad (28.5c)$$

Exceptions

Exceptions

$$\frac{}{k \triangleright \text{handle}(e_1; x.e_2) \mapsto k ; \text{handle}(-; x.e_2) \triangleright e_1} \quad (28.5d)$$

$$\frac{}{k ; \text{handle}(-; x.e_2) \triangleleft e \mapsto k \triangleleft e} \quad (28.5e)$$

$$\frac{}{k ; \text{handle}(-; x.e_2) \blacktriangleleft e \mapsto k \triangleright [e/x]e_2} \quad (28.5f)$$

$$\frac{(f \neq \text{handle}(-; x.e_2))}{k ; f \blacktriangleleft e \mapsto k \blacktriangleleft e} \quad (28.5g)$$

Exceptions 的 statics 用到了 τ_{exn} ，它没有限制，但是必须在整个程序中一致。

显然，我们有几个流行的选择：

- str, 然后就类似于 `raise "404 Not Found"`
- nat, 然后用 error numbers 代表错误的唯一 ID¹
- sum type, 最强大的方式。问题在于，需要分析一个全局一致的类型，整个系统的所有模块都得就异常类型达成一致。

¹就像 Unix 那样

Encapsulation of Exceptions

Exceptions

有时候我们希望能区分一个 expression 会不会 fail 或者 raise.

An expression is called *fallible*, or *exceptional*, if it can fail or raise an exception during its evaluation, and is *infallible*, or *unexceptional*, otherwise.

To formalize this distinction we distinguish two *modes* of expression, the fallible and the infallible, linked by a *modality* classifying the fallible expressions of a type.

Encapsulation of Exceptions

Exceptions

Type	$\tau ::= \text{fallible}(\tau)$	τ fallible	fallible
Fall	$f ::= \text{fail}$	fail	failure
	$\text{ok}(e)$	$\text{ok}(e)$	success
	$\text{try}(e; x.f_1; f_2)$	$\text{let fall}(x) \text{ be } e \text{ in } f_1 \text{ ow } f_2$	handler
Infall	$e ::= x$	x	variable
	$\text{fall}(f)$	$\text{fall}(f)$	fallible
	$\text{try}(e; x.e_1; e_2)$	$\text{let fall}(x) \text{ be } e \text{ in } e_1 \text{ ow } e_2$	handler

$\text{fallible}(\tau)$ 表示可能失败的表达式 of τ .

infallible expressions 可以包含被 encapsulated fallible expressins.

接下来我们区分 infallible expressions 为 $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau$, 和 fallible 的
 $\Gamma \vdash f \sim \tau$

Encapsulation of Exceptions

Exceptions

$$\frac{}{\Gamma, x : \tau \vdash x : \tau} \tag{28.6a}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash f \sim \tau}{\Gamma \vdash \text{fall}(f) : \text{fallible}(\tau)} \tag{28.6b}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \text{fallible}(\tau) \quad \Gamma, x : \tau \vdash e_1 : \tau' \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau'}{\Gamma \vdash \text{try}(e; x.e_1; e_2) : \tau'} \tag{28.6c}$$

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \text{fail} \sim \tau} \tag{28.6d}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash \text{ok}(e) \sim \tau} \tag{28.6e}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \text{fallible}(\tau) \quad \Gamma, x : \tau \vdash f_1 \sim \tau' \quad \Gamma \vdash f_2 \sim \tau'}{\Gamma \vdash \text{try}(e; x.f_1; f_2) \sim \tau'} \tag{28.6f}$$

Encapsulation of Exceptions

Exceptions

The dynamics of encapsulated failures is readily derived, though some care must be taken with the elimination form for the modality.

$$\frac{}{\text{fall}(f) \text{ val}} \quad (28.7a)$$

$$\frac{}{k \triangleright \text{try}(e; x.e_1; e_2) \mapsto k; \text{try}(-; x.e_1; e_2) \triangleright e} \quad (28.7b)$$

$$\frac{}{k; \text{try}(-; x.e_1; e_2) \triangleleft \text{fall}(f) \mapsto k; \text{try}(-; x.e_1; e_2); \text{fall}(-) \triangleright f} \quad (28.7c)$$

Encapsulation of Exceptions

Exceptions

$$\frac{}{k \triangleright \text{fail} \mapsto k \blacktriangleleft} \quad (28.7d)$$

$$\frac{}{k \triangleright \text{ok}(e) \mapsto k; \text{ok}(-) \triangleright e} \quad (28.7e)$$

$$\frac{}{k; \text{ok}(-) \triangleleft e \mapsto k \triangleleft \text{ok}(e)} \quad (28.7f)$$

$$\frac{e \text{ val}}{k; \text{try}(-; x.e_1; e_2); \text{fall}(-) \triangleleft \text{ok}(e) \mapsto k \triangleright [e/x]e_1} \quad (28.7g)$$

$$\frac{}{k; \text{try}(-; x.e_1; e_2); \text{fall}(-) \blacktriangleleft \mapsto k \triangleright e_2} \quad (28.7h)$$

Exceptions 也可以表达为 Effect.

一个有趣的支持 Algebraic Effect 的语言 [The Koka Programming Language](#), 可以自行阅读.

另一些 Effect 的效果与接下来的 Continuations 类似.

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Exception 很有用，但它只能单向地前往 control stack 的底部. 实际上我们有时候需要一些更加灵活的 control flow , 例如.....

Generators

```
function* miao(): Generator<string, string[], string> {
    const words = ['hello', 'world'];
    const ret: string[] = [];
    for (const word of words) {
        ret.push(yield word);
    }
    return ret;
}
```

```
const gen = miao();
console.log(gen.next());
// { value: 'hello', done: false }
console.log(gen.next('hi'));
// { value: 'world', done: false }
console.log(gen.next('everyone'));
// { value: ['hi', 'everyone'], done: true }
```

控制流在调用者和被调用者中来来回回切换.

call/cc

```
(define (find-first pred lst)
  (call/cc
    (lambda (exit)
      (for-each
        (lambda (x)
          (when (pred x)
            (exit x))))
      lst)
    #f))) ; 捕获当前 continuation ; exit 是一个“一键回退”的函数

(find-first even? '(1 3 5 6 7 8))
;; => 6 ; 直接跳出整个函数并返回 x ; 没找到时返回 #f
```

We will extend $\mathcal{L}\{\text{nat} \rightarrow \cdot\}$ with the type $\text{cont}(\tau)$ of continuations accepting values of type τ . The introduction form for cont is $\text{letcc}[\tau](x.e)$, which binds the current continuation (that is, the current control stack) to the variable x , and evaluates the expression e . The corresponding elimination form is $\text{throw}[\tau](e_1; e_2)$, which restores the value of e_1 to the control stack that is the value of e_2 .

我们以一个函数为例. 给定序列 $q : \text{nat} \rightarrow \text{nat}$, 求它前 n 个元素的积.

$\mathcal{L}\{\text{nat} \multimap\}$ without short-cutting:

```
fix ms is
  λ q : nat → nat.
  λ n : nat.
    case n {
      z ⇒ s(z)
      | s(n') ⇒ (q z) × (ms (q ∘ succ) n')
    }
```

然而，这个函数可能比较慢。由于乘法的性质，显然，如果有一个元素 $q(x) = 0$ 则我们可以不用继续计算下去了。

如果 $x \ll n$ 自然地，要是能提前返回，可以加速。

Informal Overview

Continuations

The version with short-cutting:

```
λ q : nat → nat.  
λ n : nat.  
letcc ret : nat cont in  
let ms be  
fix ms is  
λ q : nat → nat.  
λ n : nat.  
case n {  
| z ⇒ s(z)  
| s(n') →  
  case q z {  
    | z ⇒ throw z to ret  
    | s(n'') ⇒ (q z) × (ms (q . succ) n')  
  }  
}  
in  
ms q n
```

letcc 把当前的 control stack 直接打包给了 ret, 一旦中间遇到 0, throw z to ret 从 ret 中读取 control stack 并快速返回.

We extend the language of $\mathcal{L}\{\rightarrow\}$ expressions with these additional forms:

Type	τ	::=	$\text{cont}(\tau)$	$\tau \text{ cont}$	continuation
Expr	e	::=	$\text{letcc } [\tau](x.e)$ $\text{throw } [\tau](e_1; e_2)$ $\text{cont}(k)$	$\text{letcc } x \text{ in } e$ $\text{throw } e_1 \text{ to } e_2$ $\text{cont}(k)$	mark goto continuation

The expression $\text{cont}(k)$ is a reified control stack, which arises during evaluation.

Semantics of Continuations

Continuations

The statics of this extension is defined by the following rules:

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : \text{cont}(\tau) \vdash e : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash \text{letcc}[\tau](x.e) : \tau} \quad (29.1a)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \text{cont}(\tau_1)}{\Gamma \vdash \text{throw}[\tau'](e_1; e_2) : \tau'} \quad (29.1b)$$

The result type of a throw expression is arbitrary because it does not return to the point of the call.

The statics of continuation values is given by the following rule:

$$\frac{k : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash \text{cont}(k) : \text{cont}(\tau)} \quad (29.2)$$

A continuation value $\text{cont}(k)$ has type $\text{cont}(\tau)$ exactly if it is a stack accepting values of type τ .

To define the dynamics we extend $\mathcal{K}\{\text{nat} \multimap\}$ stacks with two new forms of frame:

$$\frac{}{\text{throw } [\tau] (-; e_2) \text{ frame}} \tag{29.3a}$$

$$\frac{e_1 \text{ val}}{\text{throw } [\tau] (e_1; -) \text{ frame}} \tag{29.3b}$$

Every reified control stack is a value:

$$\frac{k \text{ stack}}{\text{cont}(k) \text{ val}} \tag{29.4}$$

Semantics of Continuations

Continuations

The transition rules for the continuation constructs are as follows:

$$\frac{}{k \triangleright \text{letcc}[\tau](x.e) \mapsto k \triangleright [\text{cont}(k)/x]e} \quad (29.5a)$$

$$\frac{}{k \triangleright \text{throw}[\tau](e_1; e_2) \mapsto k; \text{throw}[\tau](-; e_2) \triangleright e_1} \quad (29.5b)$$

$$\frac{e_1 \text{ val}}{k; \text{throw}[\tau](-; e_2) \triangleleft e_1 \mapsto k; \text{throw}[\tau](e_1; -) \triangleright e_2} \quad (29.5c)$$

$$\frac{}{k; \text{throw}[\tau](v; -) \triangleleft \text{cont}(k') \mapsto k' \triangleleft v} \quad (29.5d)$$

Evaluation of a `letcc` expression duplicates the control stack; evaluation of a `throw` expression destroys the current control stack.

The safety of this extension of $\mathcal{L}\{\rightarrow\}$ may be established by a simple extension to the safety proof for $\mathcal{K}\{\text{nat} \rightarrow\}$ given in Chapter 27.

We need only add typing rules for the two new forms of frame, which are as follows:

$$\frac{e_2 : \text{cont}(\tau)}{\text{throw}[\tau'](-; e_2) : \tau \Rightarrow \tau'} \quad (29.6a)$$

$$\frac{e_1 : \tau \quad e_1 \text{ val}}{\text{throw}[\tau'](e_1; -) : \text{cont}(\tau) \Rightarrow \tau'} \quad (29.6b)$$

The rest of the definitions remain as in Chapter 27.

Lemma 29.1 (Canonical Forms). *If $e : \text{cont}(\tau)$ and $e \text{ val}$, then $e = \text{cont}(k)$ for some k such that $k : \tau$.*

Theorem 29.2 (Safety). 1. *If $s \text{ ok}$ and $s \mapsto s'$, then $s' \text{ ok}$.*

2. *If $s \text{ ok}$, then either $s \text{ final}$ or there exists s' such that $s \mapsto s'$.*

常规的 subroutine: caller 调用 callee 并等待 callee, callee 只有在完成工作后把结果给 caller. 控制流总是从 caller 到 callee, 再返回到 caller.

Coroutine: 两个 routines 彼此调用, 共同推进任务. 它们的关系是对称的而非上下层的. 协程 A 运行一段时间后, 可以暂停自身并将控制流和当前状态直接移交给协程 B. 协程 B 同样也可以暂停并交还给 A. 控制流在协程之间相互传递.

考虑 coroutine 里每个 routine 的类型是什么?

```
function* my_coroutine() {  
    const a = yield 1, b = yield 2; return a + b;  
}
```

A routine is a continuation accepting two arguments, a datum to be passed to that routine when it is resumed, and a continuation to be resumed when the routine has finished its task.

$$\tau \text{ coro} \cong (\tau \times \tau \text{ coro}) \text{ cont}$$

$$\tau \text{ coro} \triangleq \mu t. (\tau \times t) \text{ cont}$$

A coroutine r passes control to another coroutine r' by evaluating `resume($\langle s, r' \rangle$)`.

`resume` : $\tau \times \tau \text{ coro} \rightarrow \tau \times \tau \text{ coro}$

$\lambda(\langle s, r \rangle : \tau \times \tau \text{ coro}) \text{ letcc } k \text{ in } \text{throw } \langle s, \text{fold}(k) \rangle \text{ to } \text{unfold } (r')$

我们可以用 `run` 来启动两个 coroutine:

$$\lambda(\langle r_1, r_2 \rangle) \lambda(s_0) \text{ letcc } x_0 \text{ in let } r'_1 \text{ be } r_1(x_0) \text{ in let } r'_2 \text{ be } r_2(x_0) \text{ in...}$$

`letcc` 得到二者共同的退出点 x_0 , 再把这个 continuation 传给二者.

而刚刚函数的 body 又是:

$$\text{rep}(r'_2)(\text{letcc } k \text{ in } \text{rep}(r'_1)(\langle s_0, \text{fold}(k) \rangle))$$

其中 `rep` 是

$$\lambda(t) \text{ fix } l \text{ is } \lambda(\langle s, r \rangle) l(\text{resume}(\langle t(s), r \rangle))$$

书中举了一个 coroutine 实现 consumer - producer 模型的例子.

This leads to the following implementation of the producer/consumer model. The type τ of the state maintained by the routines is the labeled sum type

$$[\text{OK} \hookrightarrow \tau_i \text{ list} \times \tau_o \text{ list}, \text{EMIT} \hookrightarrow \tau_i \text{ opt} \times (\tau_i \text{ list} \times \tau_o \text{ list})].$$

Coroutines

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The consumer, C , is defined by the expression

$$\lambda(x_0) \lambda(msg) \text{ case } msg \{ b'_1 \mid b'_2 \mid b'_3 \},$$

where the first branch, b'_1 , is

$$\text{EMIT} \cdot \langle \text{null}, \langle _, os \rangle \rangle \Rightarrow \text{throw } os \text{ to } x_0,$$

the second branch, b'_2 , is

$$\text{EMIT} \cdot \langle \text{just}(i), \langle is, os \rangle \rangle \Rightarrow \text{OK} \cdot \langle is, \text{cons}(f(i); os) \rangle,$$

and the third branch, b'_3 , is

$$\text{OK} \cdot _ \Rightarrow \text{error}.$$

The producer, P , is defined by the expression

$$\lambda(x_0) \lambda(msg) \text{ case } msg \{ b_1 \mid b_2 \mid b_3 \},$$

where the first branch, b_1 , is

$$\text{OK} \cdot \langle \text{nil}, os \rangle \Rightarrow \text{EMIT} \cdot \langle \text{null}, \langle \text{nil}, os \rangle \rangle$$

and the second branch, b_2 , is

$$\text{OK} \cdot \langle \text{cons}(i; is), os \rangle \Rightarrow \text{EMIT} \cdot \langle \text{just}(i), \langle is, os \rangle \rangle,$$

and the third branch, b_3 , is

$$\text{EMIT} \cdot _ \Rightarrow \text{error}.$$

启动计算 $\text{run}(\langle P, C \rangle)(s_0)$ 后，两个协程就开始交替执行，直到输入耗尽，返回 os

对于 $n \geq 2$ participants, 直接应用协程没有那么实用. 常见的做法事是多线程调度器.

在这样的 *cooperative multi-threading* 中, 每一个 *thread* 都和中心调度器 *scheduler* 是协程.

这些 *thread* 通过显式的 *yield* 把控制权让给 *scheduler*, 而 *scheduler* 再决定接下来执行哪个 *thread* -- 同样的, 也是自身的一个协程.

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