

CS 421 Lecture 22: Operational semantics

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 - Operational semantics of OCaml
 - OS_{subst} : substitution model
 - OS_{clo} : closure model
 - OS_{state} : closure model + state

Announcements

- MP8 has been posted
 - Higher-order functions
 - Last (real) MP
- Reminder: 4-unit grad projects
 - Status report due tomorrow

Operational Semantics of OCaml

- Present three systems
 - OS_{subst} : substitution model
 - OS_{clo} : closure model
 - OS_{state} : closure model, plus state
- In all systems, start with removing let's and letrec's as follows:
 - $\text{let } x = e \text{ in } e' \Rightarrow (\text{fun } x \text{ -> } e') e$
 - $\text{let rec } f = e \text{ in } e' \Rightarrow (\text{fun } f \text{ -> } e') (\text{rec } f = e)$
- Here, "rec f = e" is a new expression added just for the operational semantics.
 - Note: e must be an abstraction.

OS_{subst}

- Just like OS_{simp}, but with recursion.
- Expressions:
 - consts (not higher order), vars, application, abstraction, built-in function calls: $e_1 \oplus e_2$
 - Note: Partial application of built-ins is not allowed. This implies that in an application $e_1 e_2$, e_1 must reduce to a user-defined function.
- Values:
 - consts, (closed) abstractions
- Judgments:
 - $e \Downarrow v$ (e closed)

Axioms

- (Const)

$$\overline{k} \Downarrow k$$

- (Abstr)

$$\overline{\text{fun } x \rightarrow e} \Downarrow \text{fun } x \rightarrow e$$

- (Rec)

$$\overline{\text{rec } f = e} \Downarrow e [\text{rec } f = e / f]$$

Remember: e is an abstraction

Rules of inference (same as OS_{simp})

- (δ rules)
$$\frac{e_1 \Downarrow v_1 \quad e_2 \Downarrow v_2 \quad v = v_1 \oplus v_2}{e_1 \oplus e_2 \Downarrow v}$$

- (if-true)
$$\frac{e_1 \Downarrow \text{true} \quad e_2 \Downarrow v}{\text{if } e_1 \text{ then } e_2 \text{ else } e_3 \Downarrow v}$$

- (if-false)
$$\frac{e_1 \Downarrow \text{false} \quad e_3 \Downarrow v}{\text{if } e_1 \text{ then } e_2 \text{ else } e_3 \Downarrow v}$$

Never gave these
in OS_{simp}

Rules of inference (cont.)

- (application)

$$\frac{e_1 \Downarrow \text{fun } x \rightarrow e \quad e_2 \Downarrow v \quad e[v/x] \Downarrow v'}{e_1 e_2 \Downarrow v'}$$

Example

let rec f = fun n -> if n=1 then 1 else n*f(n-1) in f(2) ↓ 2

- Same expressions; same translation of let and letrec.
- Definition:
 - Environments (notated η): map from variable to value
 - Closures = Expression \times Env (notated $\langle e, \eta \rangle$)

must be an
abstraction

must contain a value for every
free variable in expression

- Note that there is a circularity here: Env's contain closures and closures contain env's. We'll just keep this informal.

Axioms of OS_{clo}

- (Const) $\overline{\eta, k} \Downarrow k$ (Var) $\overline{\eta, x} \Downarrow \eta(x)$
- (Abstr) $\overline{\eta, \text{fun } x \rightarrow e} \Downarrow \langle \text{fun } x \rightarrow e, \eta \rangle$
- (Rec) $\overline{\eta, \text{rec } f = e} \Downarrow \langle e, \eta' \rangle$
where $\eta' = \eta[f \rightarrow \langle e, \eta' \rangle]$

Again, be informal about this.
Also, again note that e is an abstraction.

Rules of inference

- $(\delta) \quad \frac{\eta, e_1 \Downarrow v_1 \quad \eta, e_2 \Downarrow v_2 \quad v = v_1 \oplus v_2}{\eta, e_1 \oplus e_2 \Downarrow v}$

- (App)

$$\frac{\eta, e_1 \Downarrow \langle \text{fun } x \rightarrow e, \eta' \rangle \quad \eta, e_2 \Downarrow v \quad \eta'[x \rightarrow v] \Downarrow v'}{\eta, e_1 e_2 \Downarrow v'}$$

Example

$\emptyset, (\text{fun } x \rightarrow (\text{fun } y \rightarrow x+y)3)4 \Downarrow 7$

Example

$$\frac{\overline{\emptyset, (\text{fun } x \rightarrow (\text{fun } y \rightarrow x+y)3) \Downarrow \langle \text{fun } x \rightarrow (\text{fun } y \rightarrow x+y)3, \emptyset \rangle} \quad \overline{\emptyset, 4 \Downarrow 4} \quad \mathbf{A}}{\overline{\emptyset, (\text{fun } x \rightarrow (\text{fun } y \rightarrow x+y)3)4 \Downarrow 7}}$$

Example

$$\frac{\overline{[x:4], (\text{fun } y \rightarrow x+y) \Downarrow \langle \text{fun } y \rightarrow x+y, [x:4] \rangle} \quad \overline{[x:4], 3 \Downarrow 3}}{\quad} \quad \mathbf{B}$$
$$\mathbf{A} = [x:4], (\text{fun } y \rightarrow x+y)3 \Downarrow 7$$
$$\frac{\overline{\emptyset, (\text{fun } x \rightarrow (\text{fun } y \rightarrow x+y)3) \Downarrow \langle \text{fun } x \rightarrow (\text{fun } y \rightarrow x+y)3, \emptyset \rangle} \quad \overline{\emptyset, 4 \Downarrow 4}}{\quad} \quad \mathbf{A}$$
$$\emptyset, (\text{fun } x \rightarrow (\text{fun } y \rightarrow x+y)3)4 \Downarrow 7$$

Example

$$\frac{\frac{}{[x:4,y:3], x \Downarrow 4} \quad \frac{}{[x:4,y:3], y \Downarrow 3}}{[x:4,y:3], x+y \Downarrow 7} \quad \mathbf{B}$$

$$\frac{\frac{}{[x:4], (\text{fun } y \rightarrow x+y) \Downarrow \langle \text{fun } y \rightarrow x+y, [x:4] \rangle} \quad \frac{}{[x:4], 3 \Downarrow 3} \quad \mathbf{B}}{[x:4], (\text{fun } y \rightarrow x+y)3 \Downarrow 7} \quad \mathbf{A}$$

$$\frac{\frac{}{\emptyset, (\text{fun } x \rightarrow (\text{fun } y \rightarrow x+y)3) \Downarrow \langle \text{fun } x \rightarrow (\text{fun } y \rightarrow x+y)3, \emptyset \rangle} \quad \frac{}{\emptyset, 4 \Downarrow 4} \quad \mathbf{A}}{\emptyset, (\text{fun } x \rightarrow (\text{fun } y \rightarrow x+y)3)4 \Downarrow 7}$$

OS_{state}

- Add:
 - Locations
 - Notated $\ell, \ell', \ell_1, \text{etc.}$
 - Infinite, unstructured set of atoms
 - State
 - Notated σ
 - Map from locations to values
 - Values: Constants, locations, closures
 - Judgments:

$$\sigma, \eta \vdash e \Downarrow v, \sigma'$$

Axioms and rules of inference

- All rules are same as OS_{clo} , but “thread” state through subcomputation. States are never captured in closures.

- (Const) $\frac{}{\sigma, \eta \vdash k \Downarrow k, \sigma}$ (Var) $\frac{}{\sigma, \eta \vdash x \Downarrow \eta(x), \sigma}$

- (Abstr) $\frac{}{\sigma, \eta \vdash \text{fun } x \rightarrow e \Downarrow \langle \text{fun } x \rightarrow e, \eta \rangle, \sigma}$

- (δ)
$$\frac{\sigma, \eta \vdash e_1 \Downarrow v_1, \sigma_1 \quad \sigma_1, \eta \vdash e_2 \Downarrow v_2, \sigma_2 \quad v = v_1 \oplus v_2}{\sigma, \eta \vdash e_1 \oplus e_2 \Downarrow v, \sigma_2}$$

Axioms and rules of inference

- New rules for operators

- (Deref)
$$\frac{\sigma, \eta \vdash e \Downarrow \ell, \sigma' \quad \ell \text{ a location} \quad \sigma' = \nu}{\sigma, \eta \vdash !e \Downarrow \nu, \sigma'}$$

- (Assign)
$$\frac{\sigma, \eta \vdash e_1 \Downarrow \ell, \sigma' \quad \sigma', \eta \vdash e_2 \Downarrow \nu, \sigma''}{\sigma, \eta \vdash e_1 := e_2 \Downarrow (), \sigma''[l \rightarrow \nu]}$$

unique value of type unit

- (Ref)
$$\frac{\sigma, \eta \vdash e \Downarrow \nu, \sigma' \quad \ell \text{ a fresh location}}{\sigma, \eta \vdash \text{ref } e \Downarrow \ell, \sigma'[l \rightarrow \nu]}$$

Example

$$\{\ell:0\}, \{x:\ell\} \vdash (\text{fun } y \rightarrow (\text{fun } z \rightarrow !x)(y := !y + 1))x \Downarrow 1, \{\ell:1\}$$

Example

$$\frac{\frac{}{\{l:0\}, \{x:l\} \vdash (\text{fun } y \rightarrow \dots) \Downarrow \langle (\text{fun } y \rightarrow \dots), \{x:l\} \rangle, \{l:0\}} \quad \frac{}{\{l:0\}, \{x:l\} \vdash x \Downarrow l, \{l:0\}}}{\{l:0\}, \{x:l\} \vdash (\text{fun } y \rightarrow (\text{fun } z \rightarrow !x)(y := !y + 1))x \Downarrow 1, \{l:1\}} \quad \mathbf{A}$$

Example

$$\{\ell:0\}, \{x:\ell, y:\ell\} \vdash (\text{fun } z \rightarrow !x) \Downarrow \langle \text{fun } z \rightarrow !x, \{x:\ell, y:\ell\} \rangle, \{\ell:0\} \quad \mathbf{B} \quad \mathbf{C}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \{\ell:0\}, \{x:\ell, y:\ell\} \vdash (\text{fun } z \rightarrow !x)(y := !y+1) \Downarrow 1, \{\ell:1\}$$

$$\{\ell:0\}, \{x:\ell\} \vdash (\text{fun } y \rightarrow \dots) \Downarrow \langle (\text{fun } y \rightarrow \dots), \{x:\ell\} \rangle, \{\ell:0\} \quad \{\ell:0\}, \{x:\ell\} \vdash x \Downarrow \ell, \{\ell:0\} \quad \mathbf{A}$$

$$\{\ell:0\}, \{x:\ell\} \vdash (\text{fun } y \rightarrow (\text{fun } z \rightarrow !x)(y := !y+1))x \Downarrow 1, \{\ell:1\}$$

Example

$$\mathbf{B} = \{\ell:0\}, \{x:\ell, y:\ell\} \vdash y := !y+1 \Downarrow 0, \{\ell:1\}$$

$$\frac{}{\{\ell:0\}, \{x:\ell, y:\ell\} \vdash (\text{fun } z \rightarrow !x) \Downarrow \langle \text{fun } z \rightarrow !x, \{x:\ell, y:\ell\} \rangle, \{\ell:0\}} \quad \mathbf{B} \quad \mathbf{C}$$

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$$\frac{}{\{\ell:0\}, \{x:\ell\} \vdash (\text{fun } y \rightarrow (\text{fun } z \rightarrow !x)(y := !y+1))x \Downarrow 1, \{\ell:1\}}$$

Example

$$\frac{\frac{}{\{l:0\}, \{x:l, y:l\} \vdash y \Downarrow l, \{l:0\}} \quad \frac{}{\{l:0\}, \{x:l, y:l\} \vdash !y+1 \Downarrow 1, \{l:0\}}}{\{l:0\}, \{x:l, y:l\} \vdash y \Downarrow l, \{l:0\}} \quad \{l:0\}, \{x:l, y:l\} \vdash !y+1 \Downarrow 1, \{l:0\}}$$

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$$\frac{}{\{l:0\}, \{x:l, y:l\} \vdash (\text{fun } z \rightarrow !x) \Downarrow \langle \text{fun } z \rightarrow !x, \{x:l, y:l\} \rangle, \{l:0\}} \quad \mathbf{B} \quad \mathbf{C}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \{l:0\}, \{x:l, y:l\} \vdash (\text{fun } z \rightarrow !x)(y := !y+1) \Downarrow 1, \{l:1\}$$

$$\frac{\frac{}{\{l:0\}, \{x:l\} \vdash (\text{fun } y \rightarrow \dots) \Downarrow \langle (\text{fun } y \rightarrow \dots), \{x:l\} \rangle, \{l:0\}} \quad \frac{}{\{l:0\}, \{x:l\} \vdash x \Downarrow l, \{l:0\}}}{\{l:0\}, \{x:l\} \vdash (\text{fun } y \rightarrow \dots) \Downarrow \langle (\text{fun } y \rightarrow \dots), \{x:l\} \rangle, \{l:0\}} \quad \{l:0\}, \{x:l\} \vdash x \Downarrow l, \{l:0\}} \quad \mathbf{A}$$

$$\{l:0\}, \{x:l\} \vdash (\text{fun } y \rightarrow (\text{fun } z \rightarrow !x)(y := !y+1))x \Downarrow 1, \{l:1\}$$

Example

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{}{\{\ell:0\}, \{x:\ell, y:\ell\} \vdash y \Downarrow \ell, \{\ell:0\}} \quad \frac{}{\{\ell:0\}(\ell)=0} \\
 \frac{}{\{\ell:0\}, \{x:\ell, y:\ell\} \vdash !y \Downarrow 0, \{\ell:0\}} \quad \frac{}{\{\ell:0\}, \{x:\ell, y:\ell\} \vdash 1 \Downarrow 1, \{\ell:0\}} \\
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 \frac{}{\{\ell:0\}, \{x:\ell, y:\ell\} \vdash y \Downarrow \ell, \{\ell:0\}} \quad \frac{}{\{\ell:0\}, \{x:\ell, y:\ell\} \vdash !y+1 \Downarrow 1, \{\ell:0\}} \\
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 \mathbf{B} = \{\ell:0\}, \{x:\ell, y:\ell\} \vdash y := !y+1 \Downarrow 0, \{\ell:1\} \\
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 \frac{}{\{\ell:0\}, \{x:\ell, y:\ell\} \vdash (\text{fun } z \rightarrow !x) \Downarrow \langle \text{fun } z \rightarrow !x, \{x:\ell, y:\ell\} \rangle, \{\ell:0\}} \quad \mathbf{B} \quad \mathbf{C} \\
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 \{\ell:0\}, \{x:\ell\} \vdash (\text{fun } y \rightarrow (\text{fun } z \rightarrow !x)(y := !y+1))x \Downarrow 1, \{\ell:1\}
 \end{array}$$

Example

$$\frac{\overline{\{\ell:1\}, \{x:\ell, y:\ell, z:()\} \vdash x \Downarrow \ell, \{\ell:1\}} \quad \{\ell:1\}(\ell)=1}{\mathbf{C} = \{\ell:1\}, \{x:\ell, y:\ell, z:()\} \vdash !x \Downarrow 1, \{\ell:1\}}$$