



Semantics of Programming Languages: Solution of Assignment 4

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Exercise 4.1: (20) We have to show that

$$A \text{ trivial} \Leftrightarrow \forall \text{ sort } s \text{ of } \Sigma : A^s = \emptyset \vee \exists a : A^s = \{a\}$$

Proof.

“ \Rightarrow ” Suppose A is trivial, s is a sort of Σ , and $a, b \in A^s$. It suffices to show that $a = b$.

Choose two distinct variables x, y and environment η for Σ , such that $\eta x = a$ and $\eta y = b$. Since A is trivial, it satisfies $x = y[x : s, y : s]$. Since η satisfies $\{x : s, y : s\}$, we have

$$a = \eta x = \llbracket x \rrbracket \eta = \llbracket y \rrbracket \eta = \eta y = b.$$

“ \Leftarrow ” Suppose $\forall \text{ sort } s \text{ of } \Sigma : A^s = \emptyset \vee \exists a : A^s = \{a\}$. Let $M = N[\Gamma]$ be a Σ -Equation. Suppose η is an environment for A that satisfies Γ . It suffices to show that $\llbracket M \rrbracket \eta = \llbracket N \rrbracket \eta$.

Let s be the sort of M and N with respect to Σ . By Lemma 3.3.7 we know $\llbracket M \rrbracket \eta \in A^s$ and $\llbracket N \rrbracket \eta \in A^s$. Hence $\llbracket M \rrbracket \eta = \llbracket N \rrbracket \eta$ by the assumption.

Exercise 4.2: (10)

(a)

$$P = f x y$$

$$M = z$$

$$N = x$$

yields

$$\llbracket M, N/x, y \rrbracket f x y = f z x$$

$$\llbracket M/x \rrbracket (\llbracket N/y \rrbracket f x y) = f z z$$

(b) Consider

$$M_1, \dots, M_k/x_1, \dots, x_k P$$

and let V be an infinite set of variables. Choosing distinct variables $z_1, \dots, z_k \in V' = V \setminus \{\text{Vars}(M_1), \dots, \text{Vars}(M_k), \text{Vars}(P)\}$ yields

$$P' = [z_k/x_k] \dots [z_1/x_1] P$$

Since no variables of P' occur in M_1, \dots, M_k , we can freely arrange any of the substitutions M_i/z_i , thereby having

$$M_1, \dots, M_k/x_1, \dots, x_k P = [M_k/z_k] \dots [M_1/z_1][z_k/x_k] \dots [z_1/x_1] P$$

Exercise 4.3: (10) We have to show that

$$\text{Th}(A) \models M = N[\Gamma] \Rightarrow M = N[\Gamma] \in \text{Th}(A)$$

Suppose that $\text{Th}(A) \models M = N[\Gamma]$. Since $A \models \text{Th}(A) \Rightarrow A \models M = N[\Gamma]$. Thus, $M = N[\Gamma] \in \text{Th}(A)$.

Exercise 4.4: (10)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E} \text{ semantically consistent} &\Leftrightarrow \exists M = N[\Gamma] : \mathcal{E} \not\models M = N[\Gamma] \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists A : A \models \mathcal{E} \wedge A \not\models M = N[\Gamma] \\ &\Leftrightarrow A \text{ nontrivial and } A \models \mathcal{E}. \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 4.5: (15)

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{M = N[\Gamma, x : s]}{M = N[\Gamma, y : s, x : s] \text{ } y \text{ not in } \Gamma \quad y = y[\Gamma, y : s]}}{[y/x] M = [y/x] N[\Gamma, y : s]}}{\vdots}}{[y/x] M = [y/x] N[\Gamma \cup \Gamma', y : s]} \quad \frac{P = Q[\Gamma]}{\vdots}}{\frac{[P/y][y/x] M = [Q/y][y/x] N[\Gamma \cup \Gamma']}{[P/x] M = [Q/x] N[\Gamma \cup \Gamma']}}$$

Exercise 4.6: (15) Let $\Gamma = \{x_1 : s_1, \dots, x_k : s_k\}$ and $S = [M_1, \dots, M_k/x_1, \dots, x_k]$. Using the results from exercise 3.4.9 we have that there exist distinct variables z_1, \dots, z_k , none of them occurring in any M_1, \dots, M_k , such that

$$S = [M_k/z_k], \dots, [M_1/z_1], [z_k/x_k], \dots, [z_1/x_1]$$

This yields

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{N = M[x_1 : s_1, \dots, x_k : s_k] \quad z_1 = z_1[z_1 : s_1]}{[z_1/x_1] N = [z_1/x_1] M[z_1 : s_1, x_2 : s_2, \dots, x_k : s_k]}}{\vdots}}{[\bar{z}/\bar{x}] N = [\bar{z}/\bar{x}] M[z_1 : s_1, \dots, z_k : s_k]} \quad \frac{S(x_1) = S(x_1)[\Gamma']}{\vdots}}{\frac{[S(x_1)/z_1][\bar{z}/\bar{x}] M = [S(x_1)/z_1][\bar{z}/\bar{x}] N[z_2 : s_2, \dots, z_k : s_k, \Gamma']}{\vdots}}{S M = S N[\Gamma']}$$

Exercise 4.7: (20)

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{count } 3 (\text{insert } 5 (\text{insert } 3 \text{ empty})) &= \text{if Eq? } 3 \ 5 \\
&\quad \text{then } (\text{count } 3 (\text{insert } 3 \text{ empty})) + 1 \\
&\quad \text{else } \text{count } 3 (\text{insert } 3 \text{ empty}) \\
&= \text{count } 3 (\text{insert } 3 \text{ empty}) \\
&= \text{if Eq? } 3 \ 3 \text{ then } (\text{count } 3 \text{ empty}) + 1 \text{ else } (\text{count } 3 \text{ empty}) \\
&= (\text{count } 3 \text{ empty}) + 1 \\
&= 0 + 1 \\
&= 1
\end{aligned}$$

(b) This is a simple proof done by case analysis. Use the algebraic specification to verify each case.

(i) $a = b \wedge a = c.$

(ii) $a = b \wedge a \neq c.$

(iii) $a \neq b \wedge a = c.$

(iv) $a \neq b \wedge a \neq c.$

(c) $A = \langle \text{list}_{\mathbb{N}}, \mathbb{N}, \mathbb{B}, \text{true}^A, \text{false}^A, 0^A, \dots, +^A, \text{empty}^A, \text{insert}^A, \text{count}^A, \dots \rangle.$

$$\text{empty}^A = \text{nil}$$

$$\text{insert}^A(x, l) = \text{cons } x \ l$$

$$\text{count}^A(n, l) = \text{cnt, where}$$

$$\text{cnt}(n, l) = \begin{cases} \text{count}^A(n, \text{tl}(l)) + 1 & \text{if } n = \text{hd}(l) \\ \text{count}^A(n, \text{tl}(l)) & \text{if } n \neq \text{hd}(l) \end{cases}$$

yields

$$\text{insert } x (\text{insert } y \ m) = \langle x, \langle y, m \rangle \rangle \neq \langle y, \langle x, m \rangle \rangle = \text{insert } y (\text{insert } x \ m)$$