

Type Theory with First-Order Data Types and Size-Change Termination

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The **halting** problem is undecidable ...

Known characterizations of termination:

Primitive recursion

$$f(\vec{x}, \mathbf{S}(n)) = g(f(\vec{x}, n), \vec{x}, n)$$

$$f(\vec{x}, \mathbf{0}) = h(\vec{x})$$

More general schema needed

$$\min(\mathbf{S}(m), \mathbf{S}(n)) = \mathbf{S}(\min(m, n))$$

$$\min(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{S}(n)) = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\min(m, \mathbf{0}) = \mathbf{0}$$

A general approach to “Structural Termination”:

Size-Change Termination (SCT)

(C.S. Lee, N.D. Jones and A.M. Ben-Amram '01)

- More than primitive recursion
- Subsumes lexicographical termination
- Simple algorithm with non-trivial correctness proof
(Ramsey's Theorem involved)

Size-change termination criterion:

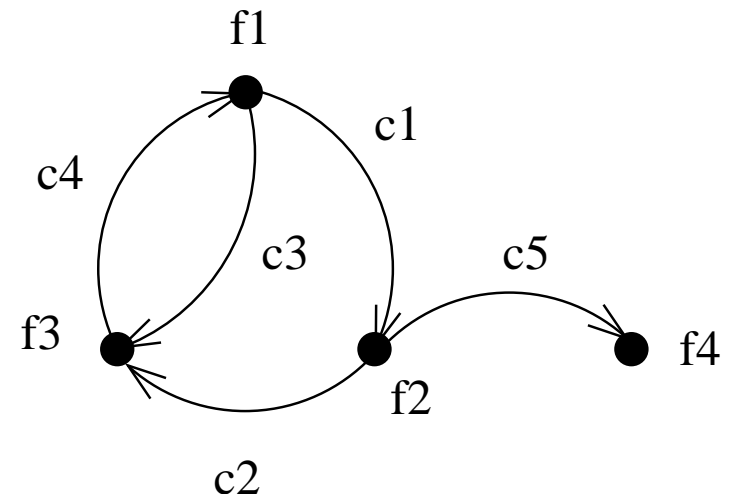
*All the infinite call sequences
contain an infinitely decreasing thread.*

Program

$$\begin{array}{lcl} f_1(p_{11}, \dots, p_{1n}) & = & a_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ f_n(p_{m1}, \dots, p_{mn}) & = & a_m \end{array}$$

\Rightarrow

Call Graph



For each **call**, c , to f_j in a_i there is an arc from f_i to f_j .

For each recursive call c ,
 relate formal parameters and actual parameters:

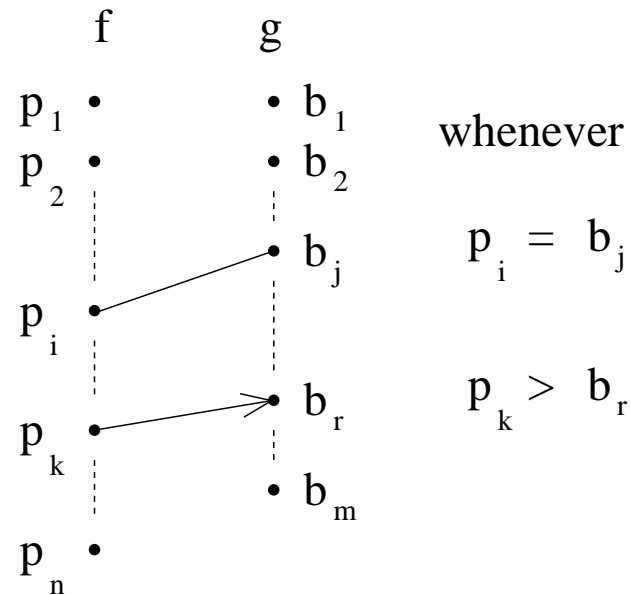
Recursive call c \Rightarrow **Size-change graph G_c**

$f(p_1, \dots, p_n) =$

\dots

$g(b_1, \dots, b_m)$

\dots

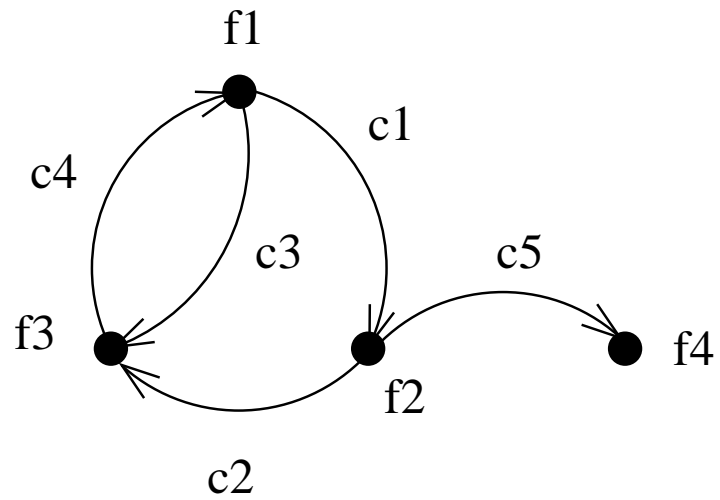


Take $>$ to be the **structural** size-change relation

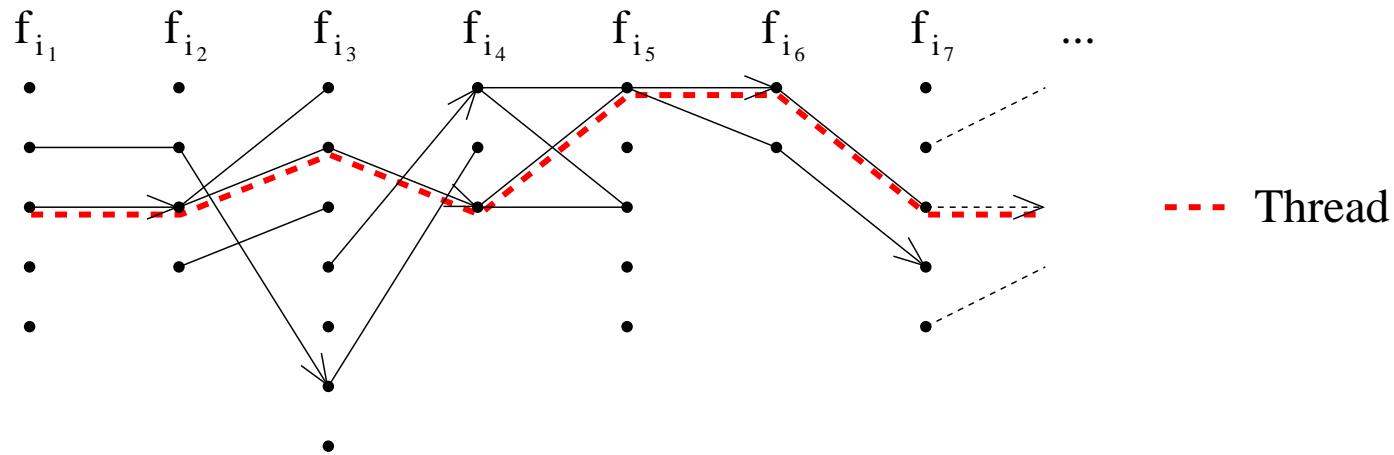
$$\frac{}{\mathbf{c}(t_1, \dots, t_n) > t_k} \quad \frac{t_k > t}{\mathbf{c}(t_1, \dots, t_n) > t}$$

where \mathbf{c} is a constructor.

Call graph

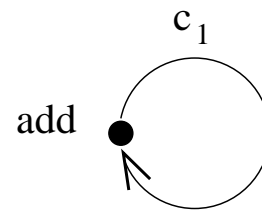


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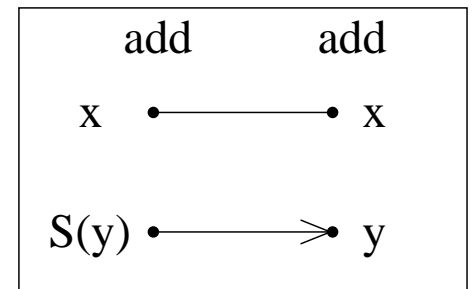


Addition

$$\begin{aligned}\text{add}(x, \mathbf{0}) &= \mathbf{0} \\ \text{add}(x, \mathbf{S}(y)) &= \mathbf{S}(\text{add}(x, y))\end{aligned}$$



Size-change graph:



because

$$x = x \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{S}(y) > y$$

Ackermann function (Rózsa Péter's version)

$$\text{ack}(\mathbf{0}, y) = \mathbf{S}(y)$$

$$\text{ack}(\mathbf{S}(x), \mathbf{0}) = {}^1\text{ack}(x, \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{0}))$$

$$\text{ack}(\mathbf{S}(x), \mathbf{S}(y)) = {}^2\text{ack}(x, {}^3\text{ack}(\mathbf{S}(x), y))$$

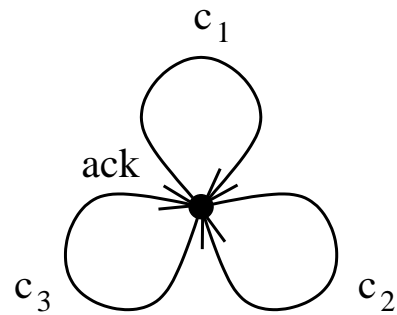
We compare parameters for each call:

$$c_1 : \mathbf{S}(x) > x$$

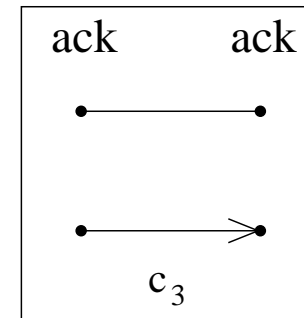
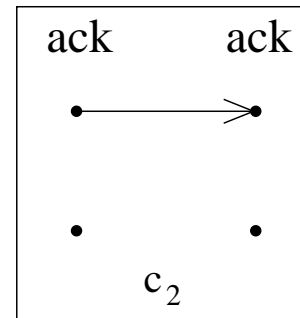
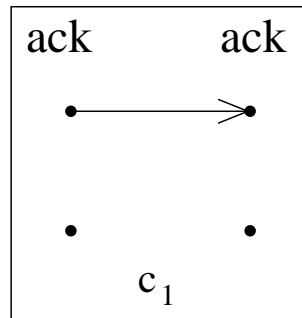
$$c_2 : \mathbf{S}(x) > x$$

$$c_3 : \mathbf{S}(x) = \mathbf{S}(x), \mathbf{S}(y) > y.$$

Call graph:



Size-change graphs:



Quicksort — non-structural

$\text{qsort} [] = []$

$\text{qsort}(x : xs) =$

$\quad {}^1\text{append}({}^2\text{qsort}({}^3\text{filter_small}(x, xs)),$

$\quad x : {}^4\text{qsort}({}^5\text{filter_big}(x, xs)))$

No structural decrease in calls c_2 and c_4 .

Another non-structurally terminating program:

Tree flattening — rearrange instead of decreasing.

data Tree a = **Leaf**

| **Node** a (Tree a) (Tree a)

flatten(**Leaf**) = []

flatten(**Node** a **Leaf** t) = a : ¹flatten t

flatten(**Node** a (**Node** b t_1 t_2) t_3) =
²flatten(**Node** b t_1 (**Node** a t_2 t_3))

The call c_2 has no decreasing parameter.

Let us use size-change termination in a proof system !

Martin-Löf's logical framework '86

(in Nordström, Petersson, Smith '90)

Terms $t, u, v ::= x \mid t u \mid \lambda x.t$

Types $T, U, V ::= \text{Set} \mid \text{El } t \mid \text{Fun } T (\lambda x.U)$

The notation $(x : T) \rightarrow U$ is shorthand for $\text{Fun } T (\lambda x.U)$.

An open system—we extend the language:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Terms } t, u, v & ::= x \mid t u \mid \lambda x.t \\ & \mid \mathbf{c}(t_1, \dots, t_n) \mid f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \mid D \end{aligned}$$

Function constants f , constructors \mathbf{c} , and set codes D .

Restricted sublanguage

$$\text{FO-Terms } a ::= x \mid \mathbf{c}(t_1, \dots, t_n) \mid f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \mid D$$

$$\text{Patterns } p ::= x \mid \mathbf{c}(p_1, \dots, p_n)$$

$$\text{Rewrite rules } f(p_1, \dots, p_n) = a$$

A formalism for reasoning about inductively defined objects.

Judgement forms

$$\vdash U \text{ Type} \quad \vdash t : U$$

Propositions-as-types

$\vdash t : U$ interpreted as *t is a proof of the proposition U.*

Type-valued functions

$\lambda x. \text{El } x$ returns different type dependent on the argument.

We can write propositional functions by pattern-matching.

(Smith '89)

Contribution

We prove normalization for a combination of

- Martin-Löf's logical framework.
- First-order recursive pattern-matching rules, justified by size-change termination.
- First-order mutually recursive data-types.

- The new definitions are stored in a *Signature* $(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{R})$
 - \mathcal{D} Mutually recursive first-order data type definition.
All data types are given simultaneously.
 - \mathcal{F} Function constants with typing
 $f : (x_1 : \text{El } a_1, \dots, x_n : \text{El } a_n) \rightarrow A$
with A on the form $\text{El } a \mid \text{Set}$.
 - \mathcal{R} Collection of mutually recursive pattern-matching
rules $f(p_1, \dots, p_n) = a$ for the constants in \mathcal{F} .
- Valid signature—correct types in \mathcal{F}
and well-typed computation rules in \mathcal{R} .

Theorem

If

1. The pattern-matching rules in \mathcal{R} satisfies SCT,
2. the signature is valid,
3. and $() \vdash t : T$,

then t has a normal form.

A proof about sub-typing:

We define the propositional function

$$\text{subType} : (x_1 : \text{El Num}, x_2 : \text{El Num}) \rightarrow \text{El Bool}$$

the recursive case is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{subType}(\mathbf{Arrow}(x_1, x_2), \mathbf{Arrow}(y_1, y_2)) = \\ \text{and}(\text{subType}(y_1, x_1), \text{subType}(x_2, y_2)) \end{aligned}$$

We can prove that the relation is transitive using the constant,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{subTrans} : & (x : \text{El Num}, y : \text{El Num}, z : \text{El Num}, \\ & h_1 : \text{El (T(subType}(x, y))), \\ & h_2 : \text{El (T(subType}(y, z)))} \\ &) \rightarrow \text{El (T(subType}(x, z)))} \end{aligned}$$

Path:

