On Sharing, Memoization, and Polynomial Time

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General Simultaneous Recursion (GSR)

- let $\mathbb A$ be a term algebra formed from constructors $\{\mathbf c_1,\ldots,\mathbf c_k\}$
- class of functions definable by general simultaneous recursion (GSR) is least class of function $f : \mathbb{A} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{A} \to \mathbb{A}$:
 - 1. contains projection and constructor functions
 - 2. closed under function composition
 - 3. closed under general simultaneous recursion (GSR)
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General Ramified Simultaneous Recursion (GRSR)

ramification

[Leivant, 93; Bellantoni & Cook, 92]

- take copies $\mathbb{A}_0, \mathbb{A}_1, \mathbb{A}_2, \dots$ of algebra \mathbb{A}
- ramification can then be expressed as a typing system

$$\frac{\mathrm{g}_{i,j} \triangleright \mathbb{A}_p^l \times \mathbb{A}_q^{n \cdot l} \times \mathbf{A} \to \mathbb{A}_q \qquad p > q}{\mathrm{f}_j \triangleright \mathbb{A}_p \times \mathbf{A} \to \mathbb{A}_q} \quad (\texttt{SimRec})$$

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 $\begin{aligned} \#\texttt{leafs}(\mathbf{B}_l) &= \#\texttt{leafs}(\mathbf{M}_l) = \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{0}) \\ \#\texttt{leafs}(\mathbf{B}(t)) &= \#\texttt{leafs}(t) \\ \#\texttt{leafs}(\mathbf{M}(l,r)) &= \texttt{add}_\texttt{i}(\#\texttt{leafs}(l), \#\texttt{leafs}(r)) \end{aligned}$

and thus from defining the exponential growing function

 $fib(n) = #leafs(rabbits_i(n))$

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- expressive power of GRSR on trees unknown since ≥ 20 years
- does GRSR lead outside FPTIME in general?

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Key Observations

Let ${\tt f}$ be defined by GRSR.

Suppose $f(v_1, \ldots, v_k)$ evaluates to u.

Then we can bind by a **polynomial** in the (shared) size of arguments v_1, \ldots, v_k :

1. the shared size of result *u*

values can always be represented as a compact DAG

2. number of *distinct* function calls in evaluation of $f(v_1, ..., v_k)$

reduction with *memoization* feasible

Definition

shared size of value v := number of *distinct* subterms in value v

Memoization & Sharing, Reconsiled



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implementation is given as reduction relation $\rightarrow_{\mathtt{Rrsm}}$ on configurations

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contain references to heap

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Corollary (Polynomial Invariance of Memoized Cost Model)

There exists a polynomial $p_{f} : \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{N}$ such that for $(\mathbf{f}(\vec{v}), \varnothing) \Downarrow_{m} (u, C)$, the value u represented as DAG is computable from arguments \vec{v} in time $p_{f}(\text{size}(\vec{v}), m)$.

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• the theorem then follows from polynomial invariance of memoized cost model

Conclusion

- memoized cost gives rise to notion of memoized runtime complexity, this cost model is polynomial invariant if we allow sharing
- 2. general simultaneous ramified recursion is sound for polynomial time
 - extensions, such as parameter substitution, lead immediately outside polynomial time



Thanks!



Cost Annotated Memoizing Semantics

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Small Step Semantics

Memoization and Sharing Reconsiled

$$\frac{(\texttt{f}(\vec{\ell}),\ell) \in \textit{C}}{(\textit{E}[\texttt{f}(\vec{\ell})],\textit{H},\textit{C}) \rightarrow_{\texttt{r}} (\textit{E}[\ell],\textit{H},\textit{C})} \; (\texttt{read})$$

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 $\frac{1}{(\textit{E}[\langle \texttt{f}(\vec{\ell}), \ell \rangle], \textit{H}, \textit{C}) \rightarrow_{\texttt{s}} (\textit{E}[\ell], \textit{H}, \textit{C} \cup \{(\texttt{f}(\vec{\ell}), \ell)\})} \text{ (store)}$

 $\begin{array}{l} \hline (H',\ell) = \mathsf{merge}(H,\mathbf{c}(\vec{\ell})) \\ \hline (E[\mathbf{c}(\vec{\ell})],H,C) \rightarrow_{\mathtt{m}} (E[\ell],H',C) \end{array} (\texttt{merge}) \end{array}$