

1 Lecture

1.1 Syntax

$$\begin{aligned} Expr ::= X \mid & \\ & \lambda X. Expr \mid \\ & Expr Expr, \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

where X is a predefined set of variable names.

1.2 Operational Semantics

$$(\lambda X.E)F \rightarrow E[X \mapsto F] \quad (\text{beta-reduction})$$

Two expressions are beta-convertible ($=_\beta$) \equiv they can be reduced to the same expression.

1.3 Auxiliaries

$$FV(X) = \{X\} \tag{2}$$

$$FV(\lambda X.E) = FV(E) \setminus \{X\} \tag{3}$$

$$FV(EF) = FV(E) \cup FV(F) \tag{4}$$

$$X[X \mapsto E] = E \tag{5}$$

$$Y[X \mapsto E] = Y \text{ if } Y \neq X \tag{6}$$

$$(\lambda X.E)[Y \mapsto F] = \lambda X.(E[Y \mapsto F]) \text{ if } Y \neq X \text{ and } X \notin FV(F) \tag{7}$$

$$(E F)[Y \mapsto G] = (E[Y \mapsto G])(F[Y \mapsto G]) \tag{8}$$

$$\lambda X.E = \lambda Y.(E[X \mapsto Y]) \text{ if } Y \notin FV(E) \quad (\text{alpha-renaming})$$

1.4 Notable Combinators

An expression without any free variables is called combinator.

$$\Omega = (\lambda X.XX)(\lambda X.XX) \quad (\text{divergent combinator})$$

$$Y = \lambda F.(\lambda X.F(XX))(\lambda X.F(XX)) \quad (\text{Y combinator, fixpoint combinator})$$

For any F , $YF =_\beta F(YF)$.

$$I = \lambda X.X \quad (\text{identity combinator})$$

$$K = \lambda X.\lambda Y.X \quad (\text{K combinator})$$

$$S = \lambda X.\lambda Y.\lambda Z.(XZ)(YZ) \quad (\text{S combinator})$$

2 Seminar

1. Implement booleans and their operations.
2. Implement natural numbers and their operations.
3. Use fixpoint combinator to implement function $\lambda n. \sum_{i=1}^n i$.