Minimal Session Types for the π -calculus

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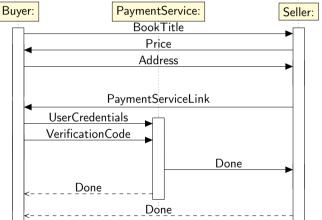
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- Minimality results based on MSTs do not depend on the kind of communicated objects

Context and Key Questions

Message-Passing Concurrency

- Key to most software systems today. Supported by Go, Erlang, Cloud Haskell, ...
- A typical e-commerce protocol:



• Communication correctness is tricky! Out-of-order / mismatching messages, deadlocks. 2

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- Goes hand-in-hand with sequential composition in processes (prefixes):

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- Programmers must enforce sequentiality themselves → Error-prone
- A gap between theory and practice, still not fully understood.

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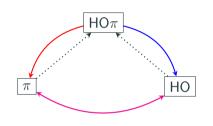
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Different justifications for standard session types:

- Formally:
 - Type-directed compilations to processes typable with MSTs (minimality result).
- Conceptually:
 - Session types in terms of themselves (absolute expressiveness).
- Pragmatically:
 - A potential new avenue for integrating session types in PLs.

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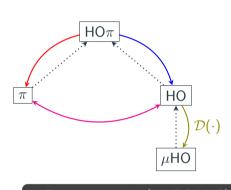
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Our prior work (ECOOP'19) – HO with MSTs, denoted μ HO

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- Only sequential composition in processes is truly indispensable.

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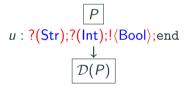
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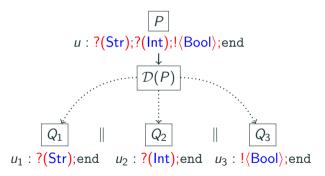
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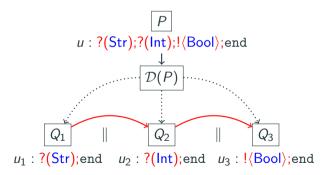
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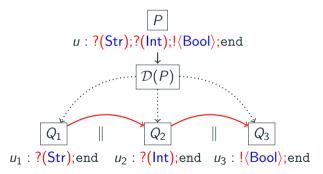
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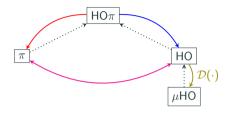
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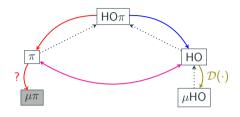
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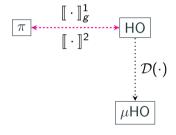
Session types have been widely studied for first-order languages, with name passing. Does the minimality result hold also for π , the other sub-calculus of HO π ?

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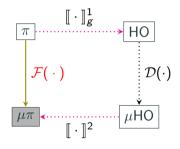
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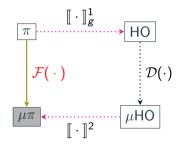
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- Outcome: A positive, elegant answer to the open question — the minimality result holds for π, too



$\mathsf{HO}\pi$ and Its Sub-calculi

$$n ::= a, b \mid s, \overline{s}$$

$$u, w ::= n \mid x, y, z$$

$$V, W ::= u \mid \lambda x. P \mid x, y, z$$

$$P, Q ::= u! \langle V \rangle. P \mid u?(x). P$$

$$\mid Vu \mid P \mid Q \mid (\nu n)P \mid \mathbf{0} \mid x \mid \mu X. P$$

- The sub-language π lacks boxed constructs
- The sub-language HO lacks shaded constructs

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$$\begin{array}{lll} C & ::= S \mid \langle S \rangle & & C & ::= M \mid \langle M \rangle \\ S & ::= !\langle C \rangle; S \mid ?(C); S \mid \mu t. S \mid t \mid \text{end} & M & ::= \gamma \mid !\langle \widetilde{C} \rangle; \gamma \mid ?(\widetilde{C}); \gamma \mid \mu t. M \end{array}$$

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Note: We often omit 'end'. Thus, '! $\langle \widetilde{C} \rangle$ ' and '? (\widetilde{C}) ' stand for '! $\langle \widetilde{C} \rangle$; end' and '? (\widetilde{C}) ; end'.

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The decomposition of P:

$$\mathcal{F}(P) = (\nu c_1, \dots, c_{25})(\overline{c_1}!\langle \rangle \cdot \mathbf{0} \mid (\nu u_1)c_1?().\overline{c_2}!\langle \rangle.\overline{c_{13}}!\langle \rangle \mid \mathcal{A}_{\epsilon}^2(\mathcal{A}\sigma') \mid \mathcal{A}_{\epsilon}^{13}(\mathcal{B}\sigma'))$$

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Minimal STs
w_1: M = \frac{1}{\langle ?(?(\langle ?(M_1, M_2, M_3)\rangle))\rangle}
M_1 = \frac{?(\langle ?(?(\langle ?(Int)\rangle))\rangle)}{M_2 = \frac{?(\langle ?(?(\langle ?(Int)\rangle))\rangle)}{M_3 = \frac{1}{\langle ?(?(\langle ?(Bool)\rangle))\rangle}}
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 - 2. use native support for recursion in π
 - 3. recovers trio structure

Optimized decomposition on types: $\mathcal{H}^*(\cdot)$

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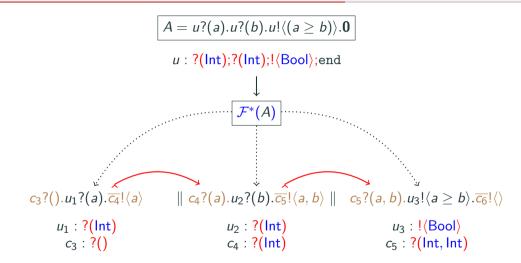
The optimized decomposition:

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$$A_{\epsilon}^{2}(A\sigma')$$
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$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbb{A}_{\epsilon}^{6}(B\sigma') \\ c_{6}?(). \ \overline{w}_{1}?(x_{1},x_{2},x_{3}). \ \overline{c_{7}}!\langle x_{1},x_{2},x_{3}\rangle \, | \\ c_{7}?(x_{1},x_{2},x_{3}). \ x_{1}!\langle 5\rangle. \ \overline{c_{8}}!\langle x_{2},x_{3}\rangle \, | \\ c_{8}?(x_{2},x_{3}). \ x_{1}!\langle 4\rangle. \ \overline{c_{9}}!\langle x_{3}\rangle \, | \\ c_{9}?(x_{2}). \ x_{3}?(b_{1}). \ \overline{c_{10}}!\langle \rangle \, | \ c_{10}?().\mathbf{0} \end{array}$$

Decomposing Session Types



Improvements: Comparing Types Decompositions

$$\mathcal{H}(\cdot)$$
 $\mathcal{H}(!\langle C \rangle; S) = \begin{cases} M_C & \text{if } S = \text{end} \\ M_C, \mathcal{H}(S) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
where
 $M_C = !\langle \langle ?(?(\langle ?(\mathcal{H}(C)) \rangle)) \rangle \rangle$
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Handling Recursive Processes and Recursive Names

Consider process

$$R = \mu X. \underbrace{r?(z)}_{t_1} \underbrace{r!\langle -z\rangle}_{t_2} \underbrace{r?(z)}_{t_3} \underbrace{r!\langle z\rangle}_{t_4} \lambda$$

where channel r implements the type

$$S = \mu t.?(Int);!\langle Int \rangle;t$$

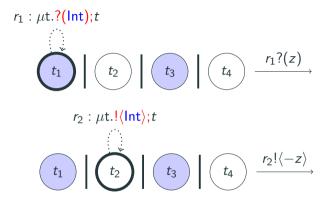
• Type *S* is decomposed into

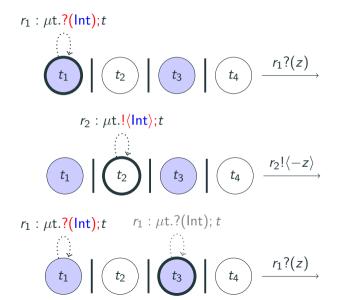
$$S_1 = \mu t.?(Int);t$$
 $S_2 = \mu t.!\langle Int \rangle;t$

- Trios in $\mathcal{F}^*(R)$ must satisfy two properties:
 - 1. mimic recursive behaviour
 - 2. each instance should use the same decomposition of channel r, that is (r_1, r_2)

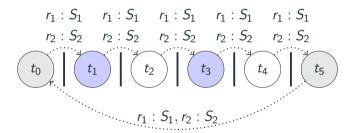








The trio structure for $R = \mu X$. $\underbrace{r?(z)}_{t_1} \underbrace{r!\langle -z\rangle}_{t_2} \underbrace{r?(z)}_{t_3} \underbrace{r!\langle z\rangle}_{t_4} X$ can be intuitively depicted as:



Handling Recursive Processes and Recursive Names

$$R = \mu X.\underbrace{r?(z)}_{t_1}\underbrace{r!\langle -z\rangle}_{t_2}\underbrace{r?(z)}_{t_3}\underbrace{r!\langle z\rangle}_{t_4}X$$

 $\mathcal{F}^*(R)$ implements the circular structure of R using six recursive parallel processes:

$$\overline{c_{1}^{r}}!\langle r_{1}, r_{2}\rangle.\mu X. \ c_{X}^{r}?(y_{1}, y_{2}). \ \overline{c_{1}^{r}}!\langle y_{1}, y_{2}\rangle.X \mid t_{0}$$

$$\mu X.c_{1}^{r}?(y_{1}, y_{2}).y_{1}?(z_{1}).\overline{c_{2}^{r}}!\langle y_{1}, y_{2}, z_{1}\rangle.X \mid t_{1}$$

$$\mu X.c_{2}^{r}?(y_{1}, y_{2}, z_{1}).y_{2}?(-z_{1}).\overline{c_{3}^{r}}!\langle y_{1}, y_{2}\rangle.X \mid t_{2}$$

$$\mu X.c_{3}^{r}?(y_{1}, y_{2}).y_{1}?(z_{1}).\overline{c_{4}^{r}}!\langle y_{1}, y_{2}, z_{1}\rangle.X \mid t_{3}$$

$$\mu X.c_{4}^{r}?(y_{1}, y_{2}, z_{1}).y_{2}?(z_{1}).\overline{c_{5}^{r}}!\langle y_{1}, y_{2}\rangle.X \mid t_{4}$$

$$\mu X.c_{5}^{r}?(y_{1}, y_{2}). \ \overline{c_{X}^{r}}!\langle y_{1}, y_{2}\rangle.X \mid t_{5}$$

Technical Results

• Quantifying improvements:

number of prefixes in
$$\mathcal{F}(P) \geq \frac{5}{3}$$
 number of prefixes in $\mathcal{F}^*(P)$

• Static correctness (Typability):

$$\Gamma \vdash P$$
 implies $\mathcal{H}^*(\Gamma) \vdash \mathcal{F}^*(P)$

• Dynamic correctness:

$$P \approx^{\mathtt{M}} \mathcal{F}^*(P)$$

where \approx^M is a form of weak bisimilarity, a mild modification of the **characteristic** bisimilarity by Kouzapas et al.

Conclusion

Related Work: Session Types into Linear Types (1/2)

Dardha, Giachino & Sangiorgi (PPDP'12) encode session-typed processes into processes with **linear types** (Kobayashi et al.):

- Sequentiality handled via a "detour" from session type theories
- Processes refactored to carry over sequentiality, in a continuation-passing style
- Implementations in Scala (Scalas et al. ECOOP'16), OCaml (Padovani, JFP'17), Agda (Ciccone & Padovani, PPDP'20)
- \rightarrow **Differently**, our work clarifies the role of sequential composition in session types, both conceptually and formally, using session types themselves.

Related Work: A Comparison with Dardha et al. (2/2)

$$A = w!\langle \overline{u} \rangle.u?(a).u?(b).u!\langle a \geq b \rangle.\mathbf{0}$$

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\begin{array}{c} \mathbb{A}^2_{\epsilon}(A\sigma') \\ \\ c_2?(). \ \ w_1!\langle \overline{u}_1,\overline{u}_2,\overline{u}_3\rangle. \ \overline{c_3}!\langle\rangle \mid \\ \\ c_3?(). \ \ u_1?(a). \ \ \overline{c_4}!\langle a\rangle \mid \\ \\ c_4?(). \ \ u_2?(b). \ \ \overline{c_5}!\langle a,b\rangle \mid \\ \\ c_5?(). \ \ u_3!\langle a\geq b\rangle. \ \overline{c_6}!\langle\rangle \mid c_6?().\mathbf{0} \end{array}
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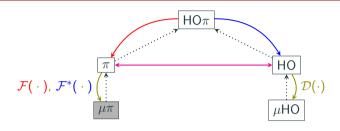
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Minimal STs u_1 : ?(Int), u_2 : ?(Int), u_3 : !\langle Bool \rangle w_1 : !\langle !\langle Int \rangle, !\langle Int \rangle, ?\langle Bool \rangle
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Linear Types

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u: I_i[Int, I_i[Int, I_o[Bool, unit]]]

w: I_o[I_o[Int, I_o[Int, I_i[Bool, unit]]], unit]
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Conclusion: Minimal Session Types for π (1/2)



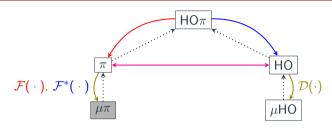
- A new minimality result for the session-typed π -calculus by two decompositions:
 - 1. $\mathcal{F}(\cdot)$: A composition of encodability results and minimality results for HO
 - 2. $\mathcal{F}^*(\cdot)$: An optimization without redundant synchronizations and with native recursion

Main takeaway:

The minimality result based on MSTs is independent from communicated objects:

- abstractions in HO (ECOOP 2019)
- names in π (This work)

Conclusion: Minimal Session Types for π (2/2)



- Potential for streamlining known session types frameworks, by removing redundancies.
- Bridging the gap between theories of session types and type systems in actual PLs.

In the Extended Version

- Full technical details
- Multiple examples of both decompositions
- https://arxiv.org/abs/2107.10936

Minimal Session Types for the π -calculus

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Extra Slides

$$n ::= a, b \mid s, \overline{s}$$

$$u, w ::= n \mid x, y, z$$

$$V, W ::= u \mid \overline{\lambda x. P} \mid \overline{x, y, z}$$

$$P, Q ::= u! \langle V \rangle.P \mid u?(x).P$$

$$\mid \overline{Vu} \mid P \mid Q \mid (\nu n)P \mid \mathbf{0} \mid \overline{X} \mid \mu X.P$$

Figure 1: Syntax of HO π . The sub-language HO lacks shaded constructs, while π lacks boxed constructs.

Semantics

$$(\lambda x. P) u \longrightarrow P\{u/x\} \qquad [App]$$

$$n! \langle V \rangle. P \mid \overline{n}?(x). Q \longrightarrow P \mid Q\{V/x\} \qquad [Pass]$$

$$P \longrightarrow P' \Rightarrow (\nu n)P \longrightarrow (\nu n)P' \qquad [Res]$$

$$P \longrightarrow P' \Rightarrow P \mid Q \longrightarrow P' \mid Q \qquad [Par]$$

$$P \equiv Q \longrightarrow Q' \equiv P' \Rightarrow P \longrightarrow P' \qquad [Cong]$$

$$P_1 \mid P_2 \equiv P_2 \mid P_1 \quad P_1 \mid (P_2 \mid P_3) \equiv (P_1 \mid P_2) \mid P_3$$

$$P \mid \mathbf{0} \equiv P \quad P \mid (\nu n)Q \equiv (\nu n)(P \mid Q) \quad (n \notin \text{fn}(P))$$

$$(\nu n)\mathbf{0} \equiv \mathbf{0} \qquad \mu X. P \equiv P\{\mu X. P/X\} \qquad P \equiv Q \text{ if } P \equiv_{\alpha} Q$$

Figure 2: Operational Semantics of $HO\pi$.

Session Types

Figure 3: STs for HO π (top) and MSTs for HO (bottom).

Type encoding of π into HO

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[u!\langle w\rangle.P]_{\sigma}^{1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} u!\langle \lambda z. z?(x).(xw)\rangle.[P]_{\sigma}^{1}
\llbracket u?(x:C).Q \rrbracket_{\sigma}^{1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} u?(y).(\nu s)(y s | \overline{s}! \langle \lambda x. \llbracket Q \rrbracket_{\sigma}^{1} \rangle.\mathbf{0})
                 \llbracket P \mid Q 
Vert_{\sigma}^{1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \llbracket P 
Vert_{\sigma}^{1} \mid \llbracket Q 
Vert_{\sigma}^{1}
               [(\nu n)P]_{\sigma}^{1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\nu n)[P]_{\sigma}^{1}
                                [0]_{\sigma}^{1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 0
                 \llbracket \mu X.P \rrbracket_{\sigma}^{1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\nu s)(\overline{s}!\langle V \rangle.\mathbf{0} \mid s?(z_{X}).\llbracket P \rrbracket_{\sigma,\{X \to \widetilde{n}\}}^{1}) \qquad \text{where } (\widetilde{n} = \text{fn}(P))
                                                               V = \lambda(\|\tilde{n}\|, y). \ y?(z_X).\|\|P\|^1_{\sigma,\{X \to \tilde{n}\}}\|_{\emptyset}
                              [X]_{\sigma}^{1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\nu s)(z_{X}(\tilde{n}, s) \mid \overline{s}! \langle z_{X} \rangle.\mathbf{0}) \quad (\tilde{n} = g(X))
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Figure 4: Typed encoding of π into HO, selection from [KPY19]. Above, $\operatorname{fn}(P)$ is a lexicographically ordered sequence of free names in P. Maps $\|\cdot\|$ and $\|\cdot\|_{\sigma}$ are in Def. 1 and Fig. 5. 31

Auxiliary Mappings

Definition (Auxiliary Mappings)

We define mappings $\|\cdot\|$ and $\|\cdot\|_{\sigma}$ as follows:

• $\|\cdot\|: 2^{\mathcal{N}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{V}^{\omega}$ is a map of sequences of lexicographically ordered names to sequences of variables, defined inductively as:

$$\|\epsilon\| = \epsilon$$

$$\|n, \tilde{m}\| = x_n, \|\tilde{m}\| \quad (x \text{ fresh})$$

• Given a set of session names and variables σ , the map $[\![\cdot]\!]_{\sigma}: \mathsf{HO} \to \mathsf{HO}$ is as in Fig. 5.

Auxiliary Mapping

Figure 5: Auxiliary mapping used to encode $HO\pi$ into HO.

Type encoding of π into HO

Types:

Typed encoding of HO into $\boldsymbol{\pi}$

Terms:

$$((!\langle S - \diamond \rangle; S_1))^2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} !\langle \langle ?(((S))^2); \text{end} \rangle \rangle; ((S_1))^2$$

$$(((S - \diamond \diamond); S_1))^2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} ?(\langle ?(((S))^2); \text{end} \rangle); ((S_1))^2$$

$\operatorname{MSTs} \text{ for } \pi$

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mathcal{C} &::= & \mathcal{M} & | & \langle \mathcal{M} \rangle \\ \\ \gamma &::= & \mathrm{end} & | & \mathrm{t} \\ \\ \mathcal{M} &::= & \gamma & | & !\langle \widetilde{\mathcal{C}} \rangle; \gamma & | & ?(\widetilde{\mathcal{C}}); \gamma & | & \mu \mathrm{t.} \mathcal{M} \end{array}$$

Figure 7: Minimal Session Types for π

Decomposition of types

$$\mathcal{H}(\langle S \rangle) = \langle \mathcal{H}(S) \rangle$$
 $\mathcal{H}(!\langle S \rangle; S') = \begin{cases} M & \text{if } S' = \text{end} \\ M, \mathcal{H}(S') & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
 $\text{where } M = !\langle \langle ?(?(\langle ?(\mathcal{H}(S)); \text{end} \rangle); \text{end} \rangle); \text{end} \rangle; \text{end}$
 $\mathcal{H}(?(S); S') = \begin{cases} M & \text{if } S' = \text{end} \\ M, \mathcal{H}(S') & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
 $\text{where } M = ?(\langle ?(?(\langle ?(\mathcal{H}(S)); \text{end} \rangle); \text{end} \rangle); \text{end}$
 $\mathcal{H}(\text{end}) = \text{end}$
 $\mathcal{H}(S_1, \dots, S_n) = \mathcal{H}(S_1), \dots, \mathcal{H}(S_n)$

Figure 8: Decomposition of types
$$\mathcal{H}(\cdot)$$

Decomposition of types

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{H}(\mu t.S) &= \begin{cases} \mathcal{R}'(S) & \text{if } \mu t.S \text{ is tail-recursive} \\ \mu t.\mathcal{H}(S) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ \mathcal{R}'(!\langle S\rangle; S') &= \mu t.! \langle \langle ?(?(\langle ?(\mathcal{H}(S)); \text{end}\rangle); \text{end}\rangle); \text{end}\rangle \rangle; t, \mathcal{R}'(S') \\ \mathcal{R}'(?(S); S') &= \mu t.? (\langle ?(?(\langle ?(\mathcal{H}(S)); \text{end}\rangle); \text{end}\rangle); t, \mathcal{R}'(S') \\ \mathcal{H}(t) &= t & \mathcal{R}'(t) &= \epsilon \end{split}$$

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$$\mathcal{R}'^{\star}(?(S); S') = \mathcal{R}'^{\star}(S')$$
 $\mathcal{R}'^{\star}(!\langle S \rangle; S') = \mathcal{R}'^{\star}(S')$ $\mathcal{R}'^{\star}(\mu t.S) = \mathcal{R}'^{\star}(S)$

Figure 9: Decomposition of types $\mathcal{H}(\cdot)$

Decomposition of types Optimized

$$\mathcal{H}^*(ext{end}) = ext{end}$$
 $\mathcal{H}^*(\langle S \rangle) = \langle \mathcal{H}^*(S) \rangle$
 $\mathcal{H}^*(S_1, \dots, S_n) = \mathcal{H}^*(S_1), \dots, \mathcal{H}^*(S_n)$
 $\mathcal{H}^*(!\langle C \rangle; S) = \begin{cases} !\langle \mathcal{H}^*(C) \rangle; ext{end} & \text{if } S = ext{end} \\ !\langle \mathcal{H}^*(C) \rangle; ext{end}, \mathcal{H}^*(S) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
 $\mathcal{H}^*(?(C); S) = \begin{cases} ?(\mathcal{H}^*(C)); ext{end}, \mathcal{H}^*(S) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Figure 10: Decomposition of types $\mathcal{H}^*(\cdot)$

Decomposition of types Optimized

$$\mathcal{H}^*(\mu t.S') = \mathcal{R}(S')$$
 $\mathcal{H}^*(S) = \mathcal{R}^*(S)$ where $S \neq \mu t.S'$
 $\mathcal{R}(t) = \epsilon$
 $\mathcal{R}(!\langle C \rangle; S) = \mu t.!\langle \mathcal{H}^*(C) \rangle; t, \mathcal{R}(S)$
 $\mathcal{R}(?(C); S) = \mu t.?(\mathcal{H}^*(C)); t, \mathcal{R}(S)$
 $\mathcal{R}^*(?(C); S) = \mathcal{R}^*(!\langle C \rangle; S) = \mathcal{R}^*(S)$
 $\mathcal{R}^*(\mu t.S) = \mathcal{R}(S)$

Figure 11: Decomposition of types $\mathcal{H}^*(\,\cdot\,)$

Type System

$$(SESS) \qquad (SH) \\ \Gamma; \emptyset; \{u:S\} \vdash u \triangleright S \qquad \Gamma, u:U; \emptyset; \emptyset \vdash u \triangleright U \\ (LVAR) \qquad (RVAR) \\ \Gamma; \{x:C \multimap \diamond\}; \emptyset \vdash x \triangleright C \multimap \diamond \qquad \Gamma, X:\Delta; \emptyset; \Delta \vdash X \triangleright \diamond \\ \hline\\ (ABS) \qquad (APP) \\ \hline\\ \Gamma; \Lambda; \Delta_1 \vdash P \trianglerighteq \diamond \qquad \Gamma; \emptyset; \Delta_2 \vdash x \trianglerighteq C \\ \hline\\ \Gamma \backslash x; \Lambda; \Delta_1 \backslash \Delta_2 \vdash \lambda x.P \trianglerighteq C \multimap \diamond \qquad \hline\\ (PROM) \qquad (EPROM) \qquad (END) \\ \hline\\ \Gamma; \emptyset; \emptyset \vdash V \trianglerighteq C \multimap \diamond \qquad \hline\\ \Gamma; \Lambda; X:C \multimap \diamond; \Lambda; \Delta \vdash P \trianglerighteq \diamond \qquad \hline\\ \Gamma; \Lambda; \Delta, u:end \vdash P \trianglerighteq \diamond \qquad 41 \\ \hline$$

Type System

Type System

$$(Acc)$$

$$\Gamma; \Lambda_{1}; \Delta_{1} \vdash P \triangleright \diamond \quad \Gamma; \emptyset; \emptyset \vdash u \triangleright \langle \mathcal{U} \rangle$$

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Lambda_{2}; \Delta_{2} \vdash x \triangleright \mathcal{U} \quad \mathcal{U} \in \{S, L\}}{\Gamma \backslash x; \Lambda_{1} \backslash \Lambda_{2}; \Delta_{1} \backslash \Delta_{2} \vdash u?(x).P \triangleright \diamond}$$

$$(BRA)$$

$$\frac{\forall i \in I \quad \Gamma; \Lambda; \Delta, u : S_{i} \vdash P_{i} \triangleright \diamond}{\Gamma; \Lambda; \Delta, u : S_{i} \vdash P_{i} \triangleright \diamond} \qquad (SEL)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Lambda; \Delta, u : \&\{I_{i} : S_{i}\}_{i \in I} \vdash u \triangleright \{I_{i} : P_{i}\}_{i \in I} \triangleright \diamond}{\Gamma; \Lambda; \Delta, u : \oplus\{I_{i} : S_{i}\}_{i \in I} \vdash u \triangleleft I_{j}.P \triangleright \diamond}$$

$$(RESS)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Lambda; \Delta, s : S_{1}, \overline{s} : S_{2} \vdash P \triangleright \diamond \quad S_{1} \text{ dual } S_{2}}{\Gamma; \Lambda; \Delta \vdash (\nu s)P \triangleright \diamond} \qquad (RES)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Lambda; \Delta \vdash (\nu s)P \triangleright \diamond}{\Gamma; \Lambda; \Delta \vdash (\nu s)P \triangleright \diamond}$$

Figure 14: Typing Rules for $HO\pi$ (including selection and branching constructs).

Minimal characteristic trigger process

Definition (Minimal characteristic processes)

$$\langle ?(C); S \rangle_{i}^{u} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} u_{i}?(x).(t!\langle u_{i+1}, \dots, u_{i+|\mathcal{G}(S)|}\rangle.\mathbf{0} \mid \langle C \rangle_{i}^{x})$$

$$\langle !\langle C \rangle; S \rangle_{i}^{u} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} u_{i}!\langle \langle C \rangle_{c}\rangle.t!\langle u_{i+1}, \dots, u_{i+|\mathcal{G}(S)|}\rangle.\mathbf{0}$$

$$\langle \text{end} \rangle_{i}^{u} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{0}$$

$$\langle \langle C \rangle \rangle_{i}^{u} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} u_{1}!\langle \langle C \rangle_{c}\rangle.t!\langle u_{1}\rangle.\mathbf{0}$$

$$\langle \mu t.S \rangle_{i}^{u} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle S \{\text{end/}t\}\rangle_{i}^{u}$$

$$\langle S \rangle_{c} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \tilde{s} (|\tilde{s}| = |\mathcal{G}(S)|, \tilde{s} \text{ fresh})$$

$$\langle \langle C \rangle \rangle_{c} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} a_{1} (a_{1} \text{ fresh})$$

Definition (Minimal characteristic trigger process) Given a type *C*, the trigger process is

$$t \Leftarrow_{\mathtt{m}} v_i : C \stackrel{\mathsf{def}}{=} t_1?(x).(\nu s_1)(s_1?(\widetilde{\gamma}).\langle C \rangle_i^y \mid \overline{s_1}!\langle \widetilde{\nu} \rangle.\mathbf{0})$$

MST-Bisimilarity

A typed relation \Re is an MST bisimulation if for all Γ_1 ; $\Delta_1 \vdash P_1 \Re \Gamma_2$; $\Delta_2 \vdash Q_1$,

- 1. Whenever Γ_1 ; $\Delta_1 \vdash P_1 \xrightarrow{(\nu \ \widetilde{m_1}) n! \langle v : C_1 \rangle} \Delta_1'$; $\Lambda_1' \vdash P_2$ then there exist Q_2 , Δ_2' , and σ_v such that Γ_2 ; $\Delta_2 \vdash Q_1 \xrightarrow{(\nu \ \widetilde{m_2}) \check{n}! \langle \check{v} : \mathcal{H}^*(C) \rangle} \Delta_2' \vdash Q_2$ where $v \sigma_v \bowtie_c \widetilde{v}$ and, for a fresh t, Γ ; $\Delta_1'' \vdash (\nu \ \widetilde{m_1}) (P_2 \mid t \Leftarrow_{\mathbb{C}} v : C_1) \Re$ $\Delta_2'' \vdash (\nu \ \widetilde{m_2}) (Q_2 \mid t \Leftarrow_{\mathbb{C}} v \sigma : C_1)$
- 2. Whenever Γ_1 ; $\Delta_1 \vdash P_1 \stackrel{n?(v)}{\longrightarrow} \Delta_1' \vdash P_2$ then there exist Q_2 , Δ_2' , and σ_v such that Γ_2 ; $\Delta_2 \vdash Q_1 \stackrel{\check{n}?(\check{v})}{\Longrightarrow} \Delta_2' \vdash Q_2$ where $v\sigma_v \bowtie_c \widetilde{v}$ and Γ_1 ; $\Delta_1' \vdash P_2 \Re \Gamma_2$; $\Delta_2' \vdash Q_2$,
- 3. Whenever Γ_1 ; $\Delta_1 \vdash P_1 \xrightarrow{\ell} \Delta_1' \vdash P_2$, with ℓ not an output or input, then there exist Q_2 and Δ_2' such that Γ_2 ; $\Delta_2 \vdash Q_1 \stackrel{\hat{\ell}}{\Longrightarrow} \Delta_2' \vdash Q_2$ and Γ_1 ; $\Delta_1' \vdash P_2 \Re \Gamma_2$; $\Delta_2' \vdash Q_2$ and $\operatorname{sub}(\ell) = n$ implies $\operatorname{sub}(\hat{\ell}) = \check{n}$.
- 4. The symmetric cases of 1, 2, and 3.

Results: Typability

Theorem (Typability of Breakdown)

Let P be an initialized π process. If Γ ; Δ , $\Delta_{\mu} \vdash P \triangleright \diamondsuit$, then $\mathcal{H}(\Gamma')$, Φ' ; $\mathcal{H}(\Delta)$, $\Theta' \vdash \mathcal{A}_{\epsilon}^{k}(P)_{g} \triangleright \diamondsuit$, where k > 0; $\widetilde{r} = \text{dom}(\Delta_{\mu})$; $\Phi' = \prod_{r \in \widetilde{r}} c^{r} : \langle \langle ?(\mathcal{R}'^{*}(\Delta_{\mu}(r))); \text{end} \rangle \rangle$; and $\text{balanced}(\Theta')$ with

$$\operatorname{dom}(\Theta') = \{c_k, c_{k+1}, \dots, c_{k+\lfloor P \rceil - 1}\} \cup \{\overline{c_{k+1}}, \dots, \overline{c_{k+\lfloor P \rceil - 1}}\}$$

such that $\Theta'(c_k) = ?(\cdot)$; end.

Theorem (Minimality Result for π)

Let P be a closed π process, with $\widetilde{u} = \operatorname{fn}(P)$ and $\widetilde{v} = \operatorname{rn}(P)$. If Γ ; Δ , $\Delta_{\mu} \vdash P \triangleright \diamond$, where Δ_{μ} only involves recursive session types, then

$$\mathcal{H}(\Gamma\sigma)$$
; $\mathcal{H}(\Delta\sigma)$, $\mathcal{H}(\Delta_{\mu}\sigma) \vdash \mathcal{F}(P) \triangleright \diamond$, where $\sigma = \{\operatorname{init}(\widetilde{u})/\widetilde{u}\}$.

Optimized Results: Typability

Theorem (Typability of Breakdown)

Let P be an initialized process. If Γ ; $\Delta \vdash P \triangleright \diamond$ then

$$\mathcal{H}^*(\Gamma \setminus \widetilde{x}); \mathcal{H}^*(\Delta \setminus \widetilde{x}), \Theta \vdash \mathbb{A}^k_{\widetilde{y}}(P) \triangleright \diamond \quad (k > 0)$$

where $\widetilde{x} \subseteq fn(P)$ and \widetilde{y} such that $indexed_{\Gamma,\Delta}(\widetilde{y},\widetilde{x})$. Also, balanced (Θ) with

$$dom(\Theta) = \{c_k, c_{k+1}, \dots, c_{k+|P|-1}\} \cup \{\overline{c_{k+1}}, \dots, \overline{c_{k+|P|-1}}\}$$

and
$$\Theta(c_k) = ?(\widetilde{M})$$
; end, where $\widetilde{M} = (\mathcal{H}^*(\Gamma), \mathcal{H}^*(\Delta))(\widetilde{y})$.

Theorem (Minimality Result for π , Optimized)

Let P be a π process with $\widetilde{u} = \operatorname{fn}(P)$. If Γ ; $\Delta \vdash P \triangleright \diamond$ then $\mathcal{H}^*(\Gamma \sigma)$; $\mathcal{H}^*(\Delta \sigma) \vdash \mathcal{F}^*(P) \triangleright \diamond$, where $\sigma = \{\operatorname{init}(\widetilde{u})/\widetilde{u}\}$.

Results: Operational Correspondence

Theorem (Operational Correspondence)

Let P be a π process such that Γ_1 ; $\Delta_1 \vdash P_1$. We have

$$\Gamma$$
; $\Delta \vdash P \approx^{M} \mathcal{H}^{*}(\Gamma)$; $\mathcal{H}^{*}(\Delta) \vdash \mathcal{F}^{*}(P)$

Related Work: CPS Cont'd

P implements channel u of type S = !Int; !Int; !Bool; end:

$$P = (\nu \ u : S)(\underbrace{w!\langle \overline{u} \rangle. u?(a). u?(b). u!\langle a \geq b \rangle. \mathbf{0}}_{A} \mid \underbrace{\overline{w}?(x). x!\langle 5 \rangle. x!\langle 4 \rangle. x?(b). \mathbf{0}}_{B})$$

CPS encoding

$$[A]_{w\mapsto z} = (\nu c)z! \langle u, c \rangle. \overline{u}?(a, c').c?(b, c'').(\nu c''')c''! \langle a \geq b, c''' \rangle. \mathbf{0}$$
$$[B]_{w\mapsto z} = z?(x, c).(\nu c')x! \langle 5, c' \rangle.(\nu c'')c'! \langle 4, c'' \rangle.c''?(b, c'''). \mathbf{0}$$

$$[S] = I_i[Int, I_i[Int, I_o[Bool, unit]]]$$

$$[\overline{S}] = I_o[Int, I_i[Int, I_o[Bool, unit]]]$$

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