

# Logic of Combinatory Logic

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The present talk is based on joint work with Simona Kašterović

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# Decision Problem - Background

- Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz - Characteristica universalis
- David Hilbert and Wilhelm Ackerman (1928)
  - **Entscheidungsproblem**, or Decision Problem:

"Given all the axioms of math,  
is there an algorithm that can tell if a proposition is universally valid,  
i.e. deducible from the axioms?"
- **Negative answers** (1935/36):
  - Alonzo Church -  $\lambda$ -calculus (equality)
  - Alan Turing - Turing Machines (halting problem)
  - Kurt Gödel - Incompleteness theorems (1931)

# $\lambda$ -calculus and Combinatory Logic (1930s)

- Alonzo Church:
  - theory of functions - formalisation of mathematics (inconsistent)
  - successful model for computable functions -  $\lambda$ -**calculus**
  - **simply typed  $\lambda$ -calculus**
- Haskell Curry:
  - elimination of variables in logic - Moses Schönfinkel (1921)
  - successful model for computable functions - **Combinatory logic**
  - **Combinatory logic with types**
- Alan Turing :
  - formalisation of the concepts of algorithm and computation
  - **Turing Machines**

- Expressiveness - Effective computability (mid 1930s)
  - **(Curry)** Equivalence of  $\lambda$ -calculus and Combinatory Logic
  - **(Kleene)** Equivalence of  $\lambda$ -calculus and recursive functions
  - **(Turing)** Equivalence of  $\lambda$ -calculus and Turing machines

Language  $M ::= x \mid MM \mid \lambda x.M$

Reduction rule (operational semantics)

$$(\lambda x.M)N \longrightarrow M[x \rightarrow N]$$

$$f(x) = x^2 + x + 42$$

$$f \equiv \lambda x.(x^2 + x + 42)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda x.(x^2 + x + 42)5 &\longrightarrow (x^2 + x + 42)[x \rightarrow 5] \\ &\equiv 5^2 + 5 + 42 \\ &= 72 \end{aligned}$$

# Combinatory logic

Language

$$M ::= S \mid K \mid I \mid MM$$

Reduction rules (operational semantics)

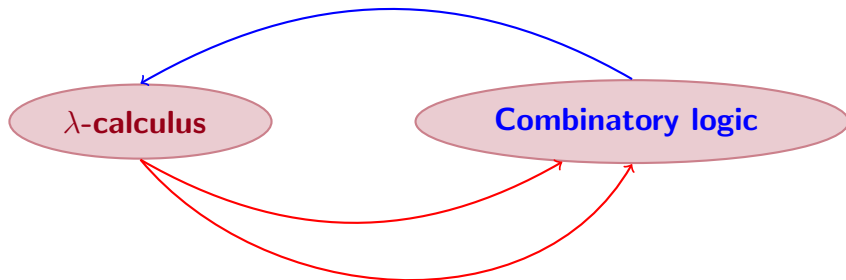
$$\begin{array}{ll} IM & \longrightarrow M \\ KMN & \longrightarrow M \\ SMNP & \longrightarrow MP(NP) \end{array}$$

$$I \equiv \lambda x.x$$

$$K \equiv \lambda xy.x$$

$$S \equiv \lambda xyz.xz(yz)$$

# Equivalence of expresiveness



# Simply typed $CL_{\rightarrow}$

**Terms:**  $M, N ::= x \mid S \mid K \mid I \mid MN$

**Types:**  $\sigma, \tau ::= a \mid \sigma \rightarrow \tau$

**Type assignment statement**

$M : \sigma$

$$\frac{x : \sigma \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash x : \sigma}$$

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash S : (\sigma \rightarrow (\rho \rightarrow \tau)) \rightarrow (\sigma \rightarrow \rho) \rightarrow (\sigma \rightarrow \tau)}$$

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash K : \sigma \rightarrow (\tau \rightarrow \sigma)}$$

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash I : \sigma \rightarrow \sigma}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash M : \sigma \rightarrow \tau \quad \Gamma \vdash N : \sigma}{\Gamma \vdash MN : \tau}$$

Subject reduction in  $CL_{\rightarrow}$  ✓

If  $\Gamma \vdash M : \sigma$  and  $M \rightarrow N$  then  $N : \sigma$

**NB** Subject expansion fails ✗

$$KI\Omega \rightarrow I$$

$\vdash I : \sigma \rightarrow \sigma$   $KI\Omega$  not typable

# Equational theory $\mathcal{EQ}$ of CL

## Equational theory $\mathcal{EQ}$

$$M = M \quad (id) \qquad SMNL = (ML)(NL) \quad (S)$$

$$KMN = M \quad (K) \qquad IM = M \quad (I)$$

$$\frac{M = N}{N = M} \text{ (sym)} \qquad \frac{M = N \quad N = L}{M = L} \text{ (trans)}$$

$$\frac{M = N}{MP = NP} \text{ (app-l)} \qquad \frac{M = N}{PM = PN} \text{ (app-r)}$$

$$\text{Rule: } \frac{Mx = Nx \quad x \notin FV(M) \cup FV(N)}{M = N} \text{ (ext)}$$

- Equational theory  $\mathcal{EQ}$  + rule (ext) = Equational theory  $\mathcal{EQ}^\eta$ .

# Simply typed combinatory logic with equality $CL^=$

Extend simply typed combinatory logic  $CL_{\rightarrow}$  with the rule

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{CL^=} M : \sigma \quad M = N \text{ is provable in } \mathcal{E}Q^{\eta}}{\Gamma \vdash_{CL^=} N : \sigma} \text{ (eq)}$$

Subject reduction and expansion in  $CL^=$  

If  $\Gamma \vdash_{CL^=} M : \sigma$  and  $M =_{(\beta\eta)} N$  then  $N : \sigma$

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# LCL Syntax

- Logic of combinatory logic (*LCL*) - classical propositional logic over simply typed combinatory logic
- Simply Typed Combinatory logic

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**Types:**  $\sigma, \tau ::= a \mid \sigma \rightarrow \tau$

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Syntax of *LCL*

$\alpha, \beta ::= M : \sigma \mid \neg \alpha \mid \alpha \Rightarrow \beta$

# LCL Axiomatisation

- Combination of the axiomatic system for classical propositional logic and type assignment system for simply typed combinatory logic
- Eight axiom schemes:

$$\text{(Ax 1)} \quad S : (\sigma \rightarrow (\tau \rightarrow \rho)) \rightarrow ((\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \rightarrow (\sigma \rightarrow \rho))$$

$$\text{(Ax 2)} \quad K : \sigma \rightarrow (\tau \rightarrow \sigma)$$

$$\text{(Ax 3)} \quad I : \sigma \rightarrow \sigma$$

$$\text{(Ax 4)} \quad (M : \sigma \rightarrow \tau) \Rightarrow ((N : \sigma) \Rightarrow (MN : \tau))$$

$$\text{(Ax 5)} \quad M : \sigma \Rightarrow N : \sigma, \text{ if } M = N$$

$$\text{(Ax 6)} \quad \alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$$

$$\text{(Ax 7)} \quad (\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)) \Rightarrow ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma))$$

$$\text{(Ax 8)} \quad (\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \neg \beta) \Rightarrow ((\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow \alpha)$$

- Inference rule:

$$\frac{\alpha \Rightarrow \beta \quad \alpha}{\beta} \text{ (MP)}$$

$$\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \vdash \alpha \text{ (LCL)}$$

$$T \vdash \alpha$$

*LCL* is an extension of the simply typed combinatory logic  $CL_{\rightarrow}$

Let  $\Gamma$  be a basis. If  $\Gamma \vdash M : \sigma$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash M : \sigma$  (*LCL*)

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# LCL Semantics

## Applicative structure for $LCL$

$$\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathbf{D}, \{A^\sigma\}_\sigma, \cdot, \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{i} \rangle$$

$D$  is a non-empty set, called *domain*

$\mathbf{i}$  is an element of the domain  $D$ , such that

- for every  $\sigma \in \text{Types}$ ,

$$\mathbf{i} \in A^{\sigma \rightarrow \sigma}$$

- for every  $d \in D$ ,

$$\mathbf{i} \cdot d = d$$

Applicative structure for  $LCL$

$$\mathcal{M} = \langle D, \{A^\sigma\}_\sigma, \cdot, \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{i} \rangle$$

An environment  $\rho$  for  $\mathcal{M}$  is a map from the set of term variables to the domain of the applicative structure  $\mathcal{M}$ ,  $\rho : V \rightarrow D$ .

A  $LCL$ -model is a tuple  $\mathcal{M}_\rho = \langle \mathcal{M}, \rho \rangle$ , where  $\mathcal{M}$  is an applicative structure and  $\rho$  is an environment for  $\mathcal{M}$ .



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## The interpretation of a term

- $\llbracket x \rrbracket_\rho = \rho(x)$ ;
- $\llbracket S \rrbracket_\rho = \mathbf{s}$ ;
- $\llbracket K \rrbracket_\rho = \mathbf{k}$ ;
- $\llbracket I \rrbracket_\rho = \mathbf{i}$ ;
- $\llbracket MN \rrbracket_\rho = \llbracket M \rrbracket_\rho \cdot \llbracket N \rrbracket_\rho$ .

## Satisfiability

- $\mathcal{M}_\rho \models M : \sigma$  if and only if  $\llbracket M \rrbracket_\rho \in A^\sigma$ ;
- $\mathcal{M}_\rho \models \alpha \Rightarrow \beta$  if and only if  $\mathcal{M}_\rho \not\models \alpha$  or  $\mathcal{M}_\rho \models \beta$ ;
- $\mathcal{M}_\rho \models \neg\alpha$  if and only if it is not true that  $\mathcal{M}_\rho \models \alpha$ .

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# Soundness and Completeness results

- Soundness and Completeness of  $LCL$  ✓ ✓
- Soundness of  $CL_{\rightarrow}$  ✓ (no completeness ✗)
- Soundness and Completeness of  $CL^=$  ✓ ✓

# 1. Soundness and completeness of *LCL*

## Soundness of *LCL*

If  $T \vdash \alpha$ , then  $T \models \alpha$

Proof. By induction on the proof length of  $T \vdash \alpha$

## Completeness of *LCL*

If  $T \models \alpha$ , then  $T \vdash \alpha$ .

Proof. Adaptation of the Henkin-style completeness method.

The proof of completeness comprises the following steps:

- the proof of Deduction theorem,
- the proof that every consistent set of  $LCL$ -formulas can be extended to a maximal consistent set,
- the construction of a canonical model using maximal consistent set,
- the proof that a canonical model is an  $LCL$ -model,
- the proof that every consistent set is satisfiable,
- the proof of: If  $T \models \alpha$ , then  $T \vdash \alpha$ .

## 2. Soundness of $CL_{\rightarrow}$

### Soundness of $CL_{\rightarrow}$

If  $\Gamma \vdash_{CL} M : \sigma$ , then  $\Gamma \models M : \sigma$

Proof. Follows directly from the soundness of  $LCL$  and the fact that  $LCL$  is an extension of  $CL_{\rightarrow}$

Completeness of  $CL_{\rightarrow}$  does not hold.

### Example

As a counterexample we take statements  $x : \sigma$  and  $K_{xy} : \sigma$

In the equational theory  $\mathcal{EQ}^\eta$ :  $K_{xy} = x$

Thus,  $\llbracket K_{xy} \rrbracket_\rho = \llbracket x \rrbracket_\rho$  and as consequence

$$x : \sigma \models K_{xy} : \sigma$$

However, in  $CL_{\rightarrow}$ :

$$x : \sigma \not\models_{CL} K_{xy} : \sigma$$

# Soundness and completeness of equational theory $\mathcal{EQ}^\eta$

## Soundness of $\mathcal{EQ}^\eta$

If  $M = N$  is provable in  $\mathcal{EQ}^\eta$ , then  $\llbracket M \rrbracket_\rho = \llbracket N \rrbracket_\rho$  for any *LCL*-model  $\mathcal{M}_\rho = \langle \mathcal{M}, \rho \rangle$

Proof. By induction on the length of derivation  $M = N$

## Completeness of $\mathcal{EQ}^\eta$

If  $\llbracket M \rrbracket_\rho = \llbracket N \rrbracket_\rho$  in every *LCL*-model, then  $M = N$  is provable in  $\mathcal{EQ}^\eta$ .

Proof. By defining an *LCL*-model such that  $\llbracket M \rrbracket_\rho = [M]$ , where  $[M]$  is the equivalence class of term  $M$  with respect to the equivalence relation induced by  $\mathcal{EQ}^\eta$ , i.e.

$$[M] = \{N \mid M = N \text{ is provable in } \mathcal{EQ}^\eta\}$$

### 3. Soundness and completeness of $CL^=$

#### Completeness of $CL^=$

If  $\Gamma \models M : \sigma$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash_{CL^=} M : \sigma$

$LCL$  is a conservative extension of  $CL^=$ .



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- Automated reasoning in type systems
  - ↪ SAT solvers
- Probabilistic reasoning in type systems
  - ↪ Probabilistic logic

- probabilistic computation, probabilistic programming - **mainstream**

$$M \rightarrow_p N$$

- probabilistic reasoning in type systems

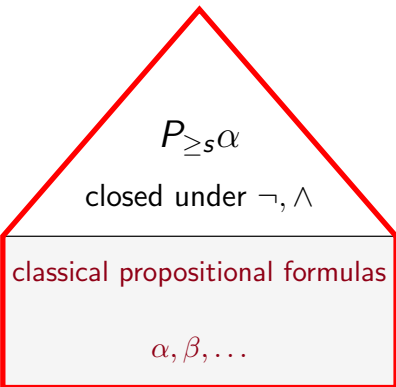
$$(M : \sigma)_p$$



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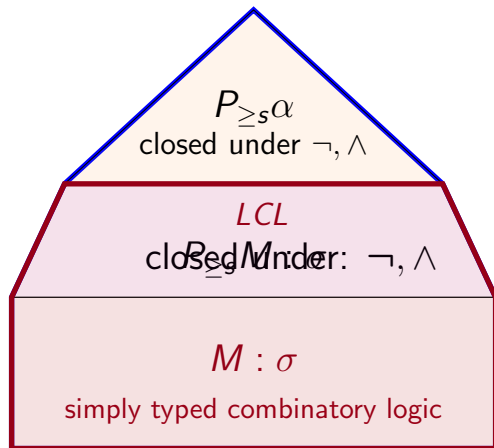
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$LPP_2$



$$\alpha, \beta := p \mid \neg\alpha \mid \alpha \wedge \beta$$

$$\varphi, \psi := P_{\geq s}\alpha \mid \neg\varphi \mid \varphi \wedge \psi$$



**Logic of combinatory logic**

# Ongoing and further work

- probabilistic reasoning in simply typed lambda calculus and combinatory logic
- probabilistic reasoning in different typed calculi such as polymorphic types, intersection types, higher-order types, etc.
- probabilistic reasoning in type theory
- intuitionistic reasoning at the basic level

Hvala! XBAΛΛA!

