

Properties of transitions

Proposition

(1) *Finite branching*

Given P , there are only finitely many transitions from P .

(2) *No free name produced by transitions*

If $P \xrightarrow{\alpha} P'$, then $\text{fn}(P', \alpha) \subseteq \text{fn}(P)$

(3) *substitution stability*

If $p \xrightarrow{\alpha} P'$ and σ is any substitution over names, then $\sigma p \xrightarrow{\sigma\alpha} \sigma P'$.

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Strong Bisimilarity for CPE

Expression is usually too fine

Bisimulation up to \equiv

$$\begin{array}{ll} P \xrightarrow{\alpha} \forall P' & Q \xrightarrow{\alpha} \forall Q' \\ \equiv & \equiv \\ S & S \\ \xrightarrow{\alpha} & \equiv \\ Q & \exists Q' & P \xrightarrow{\alpha} \exists P' \end{array}$$

up-to bisimulation is also a bisimulation

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up-to Bisimulation

Proposition

If \mathcal{S} is a strong bisimulation up to \equiv and $P \mathcal{S} Q$, then $P \sim Q$.

Proof: Show $\equiv \circ \mathcal{S} \circ \equiv$ is a strong bisimulation. Clearly, $P \equiv \circ \mathcal{S} \circ \equiv Q$ since $P \mathcal{S} Q$. \square

Syntactic differences wrt \equiv can be ignored in bisimulation equivalence.

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Algebraic Properties

Proposition

$$\forall P \in \mathcal{P}. P \sim \sum \{\beta.Q \mid P \xrightarrow{\beta} Q\}$$

Proposition

$P_i \in \mathcal{P}$ for $i \leq n$.

$P_1 | \dots | P_n \sim$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sum \{\alpha.(P_1 \dots | P'_i | \dots | P_n) ; 1 \leq i \leq n, P_i \xrightarrow{\alpha} P'_i\} \\ + \sum \{\tau.(P_1 \dots | P'_i | \dots | P'_j | \dots | P_n) ; 1 \leq i < j \leq n, P_i \xrightarrow{\lambda} P'_i, P_j \xrightarrow{\bar{\lambda}} P'_j\} \end{array} \right.$$

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; as a derived operator

$P; Q \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{new start}(P\{\text{start}/\text{done}\}|\text{start}.Q)$
where P emits $\overline{\text{done}}$ when finished.

$(P; Q); R \sim P; (Q; R)$ but $(P; Q); R \not\equiv P; (Q; R)$

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Algebraic Properties

Expansion Theorem

Proposition

$P_i \in \mathcal{P}$ for $i \leq n$.

$\text{new } \vec{a}(P_1 | \dots | P_n) \sim$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sum \{\alpha.\text{new } \vec{a}(P_1 | \dots | P'_i | \dots | P_n) \\ ; 1 \leq i \leq n, P_i \xrightarrow{\alpha} P'_i \text{ and } \alpha, \overline{\alpha} \notin \vec{a}\} \\ + \sum \{\tau.\text{new } \vec{a}(P_1 | \dots | P'_i | \dots | P'_j | \dots | P_n) \\ ; 1 \leq i < j \leq n, P_i \xrightarrow{\lambda} P'_i, P_j \xrightarrow{\bar{\lambda}} P'_j\} \end{array} \right.$$

There exists a (finite) sequential process for a (finite) process.

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Congruence property

Proposition

\sim is a process congruence. Namely,
if $P \sim Q$,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha.P + R &\sim \alpha.Q + R \\ \text{new } a.P &\sim \text{new } a.Q \\ P|R &\sim Q|R \\ R|P &\sim R|P \end{aligned}$$

By proposition 4.6, for all context $C[]$,

$$P \sim Q \text{ implies } C[P] \sim C[Q]$$

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