

The Consistency of Various Theories of Inductive Types

Robin Adams

June 30, 2005

1 PAL plus

A *signature* in PAL^+ is a sequence of *constant declarations* of the form

$$c : K$$

and *equations* of the form

$$(\Delta)(t = t' : T)$$

where t , t' and T have arity 0.

Definition 1 A PAL^+ signature Σ is consistent iff there is no term M such that

$$X : \mathbf{Type} \vdash_{\Sigma} M : \text{El}(X) \quad .$$

Our aim in this note is to establish the consistency of four PAL^+ signatures:

- MLTT — Martin-Löf Type Theory
- MLTTC — Martin-Löf Type Theory with classical logic
- UTT — Universal Type Theory
- UTTC — Universal Type Theory with classical logic

We define:

- A kind or context is *tiny* iff it does not contain the symbol **Type**.
- The *small* kinds are those of the form $(\Delta)K$, where Δ is tiny. (It will itself be tiny iff K is of the form $\text{El}(M)$, and not if $K \equiv \mathbf{Type}$.)
- The *small* contexts are those such that:
 - For each declaration $x : K$, the kind K is small.
 - For each definition $v[\Delta] = t : T$, the context Δ is tiny.

- The *bijou* kinds are those of the form $(\Delta)K$, where Δ is small.

A signature is *bijou* iff only bijou kinds occur in it.

All the signatures we work with shall be bijou. We shall find that, while large (i.e. non-small) contexts are not needed establishing judgements involving bijou signatures. Furthermore, when finding a set-theoretic interpretation for our type theories, it shall be very convenient to only have to interpret the small contexts. To this end, we prove the following result.

Theorem 1 *Let Γ be a small context, Σ a bijou context, and K a bijou kind. For any term M , if*

$$\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} M : K$$

in PAL^+ , then there is a term N such that $M \rightarrow N$, and a derivation of

$$\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} N : K$$

in which no large context appears.

2 Inductive Types

We have adapted the following definitions from [1]. Note that we are using terms in a different manner: our “inductive schema” would there be a sequence of inductive schemata, for example.

An *inductive schema* \mathcal{S} has the form

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Inductive } I &: (\Delta) \mathbf{Type} \\ \text{Constructors } \kappa_1 &: (\Delta, \Theta_1, (\Phi_{11})I[\Delta], \dots, (\Phi_{1r_1})I[\Delta])I[\Delta], \\ &\dots \\ \kappa_n &: (\Delta, \Theta_n, (\Phi_{n1})I[\Delta], \dots, (\Phi_{nr_n})I[\Delta])I[\Delta] \end{aligned}$$

where I and each κ_i is a constant, Δ is a small context, and each Θ_i and Φ_{ij} is a tiny context. I should have arity $|\Delta|$, and κ_i have arity $|\Delta| + |\Theta_i| + r_i$.

We associate with each inductive schema a chosen set of variables

$$x_{ij}, y_{ij} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq r_i .$$

where the arity of each x_{ij} and y_{ij} is the same as the length of Φ_{ij} .

We make the following definitions:

- For $i = 1, \dots, n$, Φ_i is the tiny context

$$x_{i1} : (\Phi_{i1})I[\Delta], \dots, x_{ir_i} : (\Phi_{ir_i})I[\Delta] .$$

- For $i = 1, \dots, n$, if M is a 0-ary object and z a 0-ary variable, then $\Phi_i^o[[z]M]$ is the tiny context

$$y_{i1} : (\Phi_{i1})\text{El}([x_{i1}[\Phi_{i1}]/z]M), \dots, y_{ir_i} : (\Phi_{ir_i})\text{El}([x_{ir_i}[\Phi_{ir_i}]/z]M) .$$

- For $i = 1, \dots, n$, if M and N are 0-ary objects and z a 0-ary variable then $\Phi_i^{\sharp}[[z]M, [z]N]$ is the following sequence of terms:

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \text{let } v[\Phi_{i1}] = [x_{i1}[\Phi_{i1}]/z]M : \text{El}([x_{i1}[\Phi_{i1}]/z]N) \text{ in } v, \\ & \quad \dots, \\ & \text{let } v[\Phi_{ir_i}] = [x_{ir_i}[\Phi_{ir_i}]/z]M : \text{El}([x_{ir_i}[\Phi_{ir_i}]/z]N) \text{ in } v \rangle \end{aligned}$$

- $\Psi_{\mathcal{S}}$ is the small context

$$\begin{aligned} c & : (I[\Delta])\mathbf{Type}, \\ f_1 & : (\Theta_1, \Phi_1, \Phi_1^{\circ}[[z]c[z]])c[\kappa_1[\Delta, \Theta_1, \Phi_1]], \\ & \vdots \\ f_n & : (\Theta_n, \Phi_n, \Phi_n^{\circ}[[z]c[z]])c[\kappa_n[\Delta, \Theta_n, \Phi_n]] \end{aligned}$$

The inductive schema \mathcal{S} is *valid* under the signature Σ iff I and each κ_i are not declared in Σ , and the following judgements are all derivable:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta & \vdash_{\Sigma} \text{ valid}, \\ \Delta, \Theta_i & \vdash_{\Sigma} \text{ valid} \quad (1 \leq i \leq n), \\ \Delta, \Theta_i, \Phi_{ij} & \vdash_{\Sigma} \text{ valid} \quad (1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq r_i) \end{aligned}$$

The signature $\Sigma + \mathcal{S}$, the result of adding to Σ the inductive type defined by \mathcal{S} , then consists of Σ followed by the following declarations:

$$\begin{aligned} I & : (\Delta)\mathbf{Type}, \\ \kappa_1 & : (\Delta, \Theta_1, \Phi_1)I[\Delta], \\ & \vdots \\ \kappa_n & : (\Delta, \Theta_n, \Phi_n)I[\Delta], \\ E_I & : (\Delta, \Psi_{\mathcal{S}}, z : I[\Delta])c[z], \\ (\Delta, \Psi_{\mathcal{S}}, \Theta_1, \Phi_1)(E_I[\Delta, \Psi_{\mathcal{S}}, \kappa_1[\Delta, \Theta_1, \Phi_1]] & = f_1[\Theta_1, \Phi_1, \Phi_1^{\sharp}[[z]E_I[\Delta, \Psi_{\mathcal{S}}, z], [z]c[z]]] : c[\kappa_1[\Delta, \Theta_1, \Phi_1]]) \\ & \vdots \\ (\Delta, \Psi_{\mathcal{S}}, \Theta_n, \Phi_n)(E_I[\Delta, \Psi_{\mathcal{S}}, \kappa_n[\Delta, \Theta_n, \Phi_n]] & = f_n[\Theta_n, \Phi_n, \Phi_n^{\sharp}[[z]E_I[\Delta, \Psi_{\mathcal{S}}, z], [z]c[z]]] : c[\kappa_n[\Delta, \Theta_n, \Phi_n]]) \end{aligned}$$

Examples

1. We spell out the details of one example. The schema $\mathcal{S}_{\text{List}}$ of *lists* is the schema

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Inductive List} & : (A : \mathbf{Type})\mathbf{Type} \\ \text{Constructors emp} & : (A : \mathbf{Type})\text{List}[A], \\ \text{cons} & : (A : \mathbf{Type}, a : A, \text{List}[A])\text{List}[A] \end{aligned}$$

In this case,

$$\begin{aligned}
n = 2, i_1 &= 0, i_2 = 1, \\
\Delta &\equiv A : \mathbf{Type}, \\
\Theta_1 &\equiv \langle \rangle, \\
\Theta_2 &\equiv a : A, \\
\Phi_{21} &\equiv \langle \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

Adding this schema to a signature consists of adding the following declarations and equations:

$$\begin{aligned}
&(A : \mathbf{Type}, C : (\mathbf{List}[A])\mathbf{Type}, f_1 : C[\mathbf{emp}[A]], f_2 : (a : A, l : \mathbf{List}[A], C[l])C[\mathbf{cons}[A, a, l]]) \\
&(A : \mathbf{Type}, C : (\mathbf{List}[A])\mathbf{Type}, f_1 : C[\mathbf{emp}[A]], f_2 : (a : A, l : \mathbf{List}[A], C[l])C[\mathbf{cons}[A, a, l]], a : A, l : \mathbf{List}[A])
\end{aligned}$$

2. The *schema for disjoint unions*, \mathcal{S}_+ , is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Inductive+} & : (\mathbf{Type}, \mathbf{Type})\mathbf{Type}, \\
\text{Constructors}\iota_1 & : (A : \mathbf{Type}, B : \mathbf{Type}, A) + [A, B], \\
\iota_2 & : (A : \mathbf{Type}, B : \mathbf{Type}, B) + [A, B]
\end{aligned}$$

3. The *schema for products*, \mathcal{S}_Π , is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Inductive}\Pi & : (A : \mathbf{Type}, (A)\mathbf{Type})\mathbf{Type}, \\
\text{Constructors}\lambda & : (A : \mathbf{Type}, B : (A)\mathbf{Type}, b : (a : A)B[a])\Pi[A, B]
\end{aligned}$$

We write $A \rightarrow B$ for $\Pi[A, \text{let } v[x : A] = B \text{ in } v]$ where $x \notin FV(B)$.

4. The *schema for the empty type*, \mathcal{S}_\emptyset , is;

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Inductive}\emptyset & : \mathbf{Type}, \\
\text{Constructors} &
\end{aligned}$$

In a signature containing \mathcal{S}_Π and \mathcal{S}_\emptyset , we write $\neg A$ for $A \rightarrow \emptyset$.

3 Some Type Theories

- *Martin-Löf Type Theory*, MLTT, is the result of adding every possible inductive schema to the empty signature.

- *Martin-Löf Type Theory with Classical Logic*, MLTTC, is the result of adding

$$EM : (A : \mathbf{Type})A + \neg A$$

to MLTT.

- UTT is the result of adding every possible inductive schema to the following signature:

$$(A : \mathbf{Type}, P : (A)\mathbf{Prop}, R : (\text{Prf}[\forall[A, P]])\mathbf{Prop}, f : (g : (a : A)\text{Prf}[P[a]])\text{Prf}[R[\Lambda[A, P, g]]], g : (a : A)$$

The above shall be referred to as the *basic signature* of UTT.

- *UTT with Classical Logic*, UTTC, is the result of adding

$$EM : (P : \mathbf{Prop})\text{Prf}[P \vee \neg P]$$

to UTT, where we define in UTT:

$$\begin{aligned} P \rightarrow Q &\equiv \forall[\text{Prf}[P], \text{let } v[x : \text{Prf}[P]] = Q \text{ in } v] \\ P \vee Q &\equiv \forall[\mathbf{Prop}, \text{let } v[X : \mathbf{Prop}] = (P \rightarrow X) \rightarrow (Q \rightarrow X) \rightarrow X \text{ in } v] \\ \perp &\equiv \forall[\mathbf{Prop}, \text{let } v[X : \mathbf{Prop}] = X \text{ in } v] \\ \neg P &\equiv P \rightarrow \perp \end{aligned}$$

4 Set Theoretic Interpretations

4.1 Preliminaries

A set theory T is some set of axioms in the language whose sole non-logical symbol is \in , such that the axioms of BS are theorems of T .

When interpreting a PAL^+ theory in a set theory T , we are going to refer to entities, such as classes, superclasses and class terms, that are not objects of T . Such talk can always be decoded into statements about formulas of T . The following notes indicate how. For the full details, see the appendix.

- A *class* is specified by a formula $\phi[x]$ with a distinguished free variable x . We write this class as

$$\{x \mid \phi[x]\} .$$

If X is the class $\{x \mid \phi[x]\}$, then $a \in X$ is defined to be the formula

$$\phi[a] .$$

We adopt other turns of phrase, too: e.g. “ X is a class of ordered pairs” is the formula

$$\forall x(\phi[x] \rightarrow \exists y \exists z x = \langle y, z \rangle)$$

We identify every set a with the class $\{x \mid x \in a\}$.

- A *class term* is a class F of ordered pairs such that

$$\forall x, y, z(\langle x, y \rangle \in F \rightarrow \langle x, z \rangle \in F \rightarrow y = z) .$$

If $\exists y \langle x, y \rangle \in F$, we say that F is *defined* at x , and denote the unique y such that $\langle x, y \rangle \in F$ by $F(x)$.

The *domain* of a class term F is the class of all objects x at which F is defined. An *n -ary class term* is one whose domain consists solely of n -tuples.

Given classes A and B , we write $F : A \rightarrow B$ for: “ F is a class term with domain A such that

$$(\forall x \in A)F(x) \in B .”$$

- A *superclass* is specified by a formula $\phi[X]$ in the language formed by extending the language of T with the unary predicate symbol X . We write this superclass as

$$\{X \mid \phi[X]\} .$$

If \mathbf{A} is the superclass $\{X \mid \phi[X]\}$, and C is the class $\{x \mid \psi[x]\}$, then

$$C \in \mathbf{A}$$

is the formula formed by replacing each occurrence of Xt in $\phi[X]$ with $\psi[t]$, where t is any term of T .

We adopt other turns of phrase, too: e.g. “ \mathbf{A} is a superclass of class terms” is the statement “For every class C , if $C \in \mathbf{A}$ then C is a class term”. This is a statement about T ; it cannot be represented as a formula of T .

4.2 Interpretation of a Signature

Interpretation An *interpretation* of a bijou PAL^+ -signature Σ is a mapping \mathcal{I} assigning an n -ary class term $\mathcal{I}(c)$ to each n -ary constant c .

An *valuation* is a function ρ assigning an n -ary function $\rho(x)$ to each n -ary variable x . We shall denote by e the valuation mapping every variable to the empty set, \emptyset .

Given an interpretation \mathcal{I} and valuation ρ , we shall define:

- For some n -ary objects k , an n -ary class term $\llbracket k \rrbracket_\rho$.
- For some n -ary tiny kinds K , a set $\llbracket K \rrbracket_\rho$ of n -ary functions.

- For some n -ary small kinds K , a class $(\downarrow K)_\rho$ of n -ary functions.
- For some n -ary bijou kinds K , a superclass $(\downarrow K)_\rho$ of n -ary class constructors.
- For some n -ary tiny contexts Δ , a set $(\downarrow \Delta)_\rho$ of n -tuples.
- For some n -ary small contexts Δ , a class $(\downarrow \Delta)_\rho$ of n -tuples.

In this definition and the sequel, we write “ $E_1 \simeq E_2$ ” for “ E_1 is defined if and only if E_2 is defined, in which case they have the same value”.

$$\begin{aligned}
\llbracket c \rrbracket_\rho &= \mathcal{I}(c) \\
\llbracket x \rrbracket_\rho &= \rho(x) \\
\llbracket f(k_1, \dots, k_n) \rrbracket_\rho &\simeq \llbracket f \rrbracket_\rho (\llbracket k_1 \rrbracket_\rho, \dots, \llbracket k_n \rrbracket_\rho) \\
\llbracket \text{let } v[\Delta] = t : T \text{ in } k \rrbracket_\rho &\simeq \llbracket k \rrbracket_{\rho[v := (\lambda \vec{a} \in [\Delta]_\rho) \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]}}]}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\downarrow \mathbf{Type})_\rho &= \mathbf{V} \\
(\downarrow \mathbf{El}(M))_\rho &\simeq \llbracket M \rrbracket_\rho \\
(\downarrow (\Delta)K)_\rho &\simeq \{F \mid F \text{ is a class term with domain } [\Delta]_\rho \text{ and } (\forall \vec{a} \in [\Delta]_\rho) F(\vec{a}) \in (\downarrow K)_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]}\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\llbracket \langle \rangle \rrbracket_\rho &= \{\langle \rangle\} \\
\llbracket \Delta, x : K \rrbracket_\rho &\simeq \{\vec{a} :: b \mid \vec{a} \in [\Delta]_\rho, b \in (\downarrow K)_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]}\} \\
\llbracket \Delta, v[\Delta'] = t : T \rrbracket_\rho &\simeq \{\vec{a} :: b \mid \vec{a} \in [\Delta]_\rho, b = (\lambda \vec{c} \in [\Delta']_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]}) \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}, \Delta' := \vec{c}]}\}
\end{aligned}$$

Lemma 1 For any expression E (which may be an object, kind or context), if

$$(\forall x \in FV(E)) \rho(x) = \sigma(x)$$

then

$$\llbracket E \rrbracket_\rho \simeq \llbracket E \rrbracket_\sigma \quad .$$

Proof A simple induction on E . **QED**

Lemma 2 For any expression E , n -ary object k and n -ary variable x ,

$$\llbracket [k/x]E \rrbracket_\rho \triangleleft \llbracket E \rrbracket_{\rho[x := [k]_\rho]} \quad .$$

We have $\llbracket [k/x]E \rrbracket_\rho \simeq \llbracket E \rrbracket_{\rho[x := [k]_\rho]}$ provided $x \in FV(E)$.

Proof A simple induction on E .

$$\begin{aligned}
\llbracket [k/x]c \rrbracket_\rho &\simeq \llbracket c \rrbracket_\rho \\
&= \mathcal{I}(c) \\
&\triangleleft \llbracket c \rrbracket_{\rho[x:=\llbracket k \rrbracket_\rho]} \\
\llbracket [k/x]x \rrbracket_\rho &\simeq \llbracket k \rrbracket_\rho \\
&\simeq \llbracket x \rrbracket_{\rho[x:=\llbracket k \rrbracket_\rho]}
\end{aligned}$$

For y a variable other than x :

$$\begin{aligned}
\llbracket [k/x]y \rrbracket_\rho &\simeq \llbracket y \rrbracket_\rho \\
&= \rho(y) \\
&\triangleleft \rho[x := \llbracket k \rrbracket_\rho](y) \\
&\simeq \llbracket y \rrbracket_{\rho[x:=\llbracket k \rrbracket_\rho]}
\end{aligned}$$

The other cases are straightforward. **QED**

A valuation ρ *satisfies* a small context Γ iff:

- For every declaration $x : K$ in Γ , $\rho(x) \in \langle K \rangle_\rho$.
- For every definition $v[\Delta] = t : T$ in Γ ,

$$\rho(v) = (\lambda \vec{a} \in \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket_\rho) \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]} .$$

An interpretation is *sound* iff:

- For every declaration $c : K$ in Σ , $\rho(c) \in \langle K \rangle_e$.
- For every equation $(\Delta)(k = k' : K)$ in Σ , and every valuation ρ that satisfies Δ ,

$$\llbracket k \rrbracket_\rho = \llbracket k' \rrbracket_\rho .$$

Theorem 2 (Soundness Theorem) *Let \mathcal{I} be a sound interpretation of the valid bijou signature Σ , and ρ a valuation that satisfies Γ .*

1. *If $\Gamma, \Delta \vdash_\Sigma$ valid, then $\llbracket \Delta \rrbracket_\rho \downarrow$.*
2. *If $\Gamma \vdash_\Sigma K$, then $\llbracket K \rrbracket_\rho \downarrow$.*
3. *If $\Gamma \vdash_\Sigma k : K$, then $\llbracket k \rrbracket_\rho \in \llbracket K \rrbracket_\rho$.*
4. *If $\Gamma \vdash_\Sigma K = K'$, then $\llbracket K \rrbracket_\rho = \llbracket K' \rrbracket_\rho$.*
5. *If $\Gamma \vdash_\Sigma k = k' : K$, then $\llbracket k \rrbracket_\rho = \llbracket k' \rrbracket_\rho \in \llbracket K' \rrbracket_\rho$.*

Proof The proof is by induction on the derivation, which we assume involves no large contexts. The non-trivial cases are as follows.

Contexts and assumptions

•

$$\frac{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash_{\Sigma} K \text{ kind}}{\Gamma, \Delta, x : K \vdash_{\Sigma} \text{valid}}$$

By i.h., $\llbracket \Delta \rrbracket_{\rho} \downarrow$. Further, for any $\vec{a} \in \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket_{\rho}$, we have $\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]$ satisfies Γ, Δ (formally, this needs to be proven by induction on Δ), and so $\llbracket K \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]} \downarrow$. Therefore, $\llbracket \Delta, x : K \rrbracket_{\rho} \downarrow$, as this set is

$$\{\vec{a} :: b \mid \vec{a} \in \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket_{\rho}, b \in \llbracket K \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]}\} .$$

•

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \text{valid}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} c : K} (c : K \in \Sigma)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket c \rrbracket_{\rho} &= \mathcal{I}(c) \\ &\in \llbracket K \rrbracket_e \quad (\mathcal{I} \text{ is sound}) \\ &\simeq \llbracket K \rrbracket_{\rho} \quad (\text{Lemma 1}) \end{aligned}$$

•

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \vec{k} : \Delta}{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} [\vec{k}/\Delta]k = [\vec{k}/\Delta]k' : [\vec{k}/\Delta]K} (\Delta)(k = k' : K) \in \Sigma$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma &\equiv \Sigma_0, (\Delta)(k = k' : K), \Sigma_1 \\ \Delta &\equiv x_1 : K_1, \dots, x_n : K_n \\ \vec{k} &\equiv k_1, \dots, k_n \end{aligned}$$

We claim that $\rho[\Delta := \llbracket \vec{k} \rrbracket_{\rho}]$ satisfies Δ . First note that the i.h. gives $\llbracket k_i \rrbracket_{\rho} \downarrow$ for each i , so the valuation is well defined. We must show that, for $i = 1, \dots, n$,

$$\llbracket k_i \rrbracket_{\rho} \in \llbracket K_i \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \llbracket \vec{k} \rrbracket_{\rho}]}$$

The proof shall be by induction on i .

Assume that, for $j < i$, we have

$$\llbracket k_j \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \llbracket \vec{k} \rrbracket_{\rho}]} \in \llbracket K_j \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \llbracket \vec{k} \rrbracket_{\rho}]}$$

It follows that $\rho[\Delta := \llbracket \vec{k} \rrbracket_{\rho}]$ satisfies $x_1 : K_1, \dots, x_{i-1} : K_{i-1}$. Now, by Context Validity, the premises must contain a subderivation of

$$x_1 : K_1, \dots, x_{i-1} : K_{i-1} \vdash_{\Sigma_0} K_i \text{ kind} .$$

The i.h. therefore gives

$$\llbracket K_i \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \llbracket \vec{k} \rrbracket_{\rho}]} \downarrow$$

We therefore have

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket k_i \rrbracket_{\rho} &\in \llbracket [k_{i-i}/x_{i-1}] \cdots [k_1/x_1] K_i \rrbracket_{\rho} && \text{(i.h.)} \\ &= \llbracket K_i \rrbracket_{\rho[x_1 := \llbracket k_1 \rrbracket_{\rho}, \dots, x_{i-1} := \llbracket k_{i-1} \rrbracket_{\rho}]} && \text{(Lemma 2)} \\ &= \llbracket K_i \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \llbracket \vec{k} \rrbracket_{\rho}]} && \text{(Lemma 1)} \end{aligned}$$

•

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \text{valid}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} x : K} (x : K \in \Gamma)$$

From the assumption that ρ satisfies Γ , we have $\rho(x) \in \llbracket K \rrbracket_{\rho}$.

INCOMPLETE

We have shown by induction that $\rho[\Delta := \llbracket \vec{k} \rrbracket_{\rho}]$ satisfies Δ . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket \llbracket [\vec{k}/\Delta] k \rrbracket \rrbracket_{\rho} &\triangleleft \llbracket k \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \llbracket \vec{k} \rrbracket_{\rho}]} && \text{(Lemma 2)} \\ &= \llbracket k' \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \llbracket \vec{k} \rrbracket_{\rho}]} && \text{(\mathcal{I} is sound)} \\ &\triangleleft \llbracket \llbracket [\vec{k}/\Delta] k' \rrbracket \rrbracket_{\rho} && \text{(Lemma 2)} \end{aligned}$$

Formation rules for parametric kinds

•

$$\frac{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash_{\Sigma} T \text{ kind}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} (\Delta)T \text{ kind}}$$

By Context Validity, the premise contains a subderivation of $\Gamma, \Delta \vdash_{\Sigma} \text{valid}$, and so $\llbracket \Delta \rrbracket_{\rho} \downarrow$. Further, for $\vec{a} \in \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket_{\rho}$, we have that $\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]$ satisfies Γ, Δ , and so

$$\llbracket T \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]} \downarrow \cdot$$

Therefore, $\llbracket (\Delta)T \rrbracket_{\rho} \downarrow$.

Introduction rule for global definitions

Typing and equality rules for global definitions

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \text{valid}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} v = \text{let } v[\Delta] = t : T \text{ in } v : (\Delta)T} (v[\Delta] = t : T \in \Gamma)$$

Let $\Gamma \equiv \Gamma_0, v[\Delta] = t : T, \Gamma_1$. From the hypothesis that ρ satisfies Γ , we have

$$\rho(v) = (\lambda \vec{a} \in \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket_{\rho}) \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
\llbracket \text{let } v[\Delta] = t : T \text{ in } v \rrbracket_\rho &\simeq \llbracket v \rrbracket_{\rho[v := (\lambda \vec{a} \in \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket_\rho) \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]}]}} \\
&\simeq (\lambda \vec{a} \in \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket_\rho) \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]} \\
&= \rho(v) \\
&= \llbracket v \rrbracket_\rho
\end{aligned}$$

Further, by Context Validity, the premise contains a subderivation of

$$\Gamma, \Delta \vdash_\Sigma t : T .$$

The i.h. therefore gives that, for $\vec{a} \in \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket_\rho$,

$$\begin{aligned}
\llbracket t \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]} &\in (T)_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]} \\
\therefore (\lambda \vec{a} \in \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket_\rho) \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]} &\in \{F \mid F \text{ is a class term with domain } \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket_\rho \text{ and } (\forall \vec{a} \in \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket_\rho) F(\vec{a}) \in (T)_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]}\} \\
&= ((\Delta)T)_\rho
\end{aligned}$$

let -introduction rules

•

$$\frac{\Gamma, v[\Delta] = t : T \vdash_\Sigma K \text{ kind}}{\Gamma \vdash_\Sigma \text{let } v[\Delta] = t : T \text{ in } K \text{ kind}}$$

$$\llbracket \text{let } v[\Delta] = t : T \text{ in } K \rrbracket_\rho \simeq \llbracket K \rrbracket_{\rho[v := (\lambda \vec{a} \in \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket_\rho) \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]}]}}$$

By i.h., it is therefore sufficient to show that $\rho[v := (\lambda \vec{a} \in \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket_\rho) \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]}]$ satisfies $\Gamma, v[\Delta] = t : T$. By the definition of satisfaction, all we have to do is show that $\rho[v := (\lambda \vec{a} \in \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket_\rho) \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]}]$ exists. But this follows from the fact that $\llbracket v[\Delta] = t : T \rrbracket_\rho \downarrow$, given to us by applying the i.h. to the subderivation of

$$\Gamma, v[\Delta] = t : T \vdash_\Sigma \text{valid}$$

that must exist by Context Validity.

Equality rules for let -expressions We give here only the relevant calculations:

$$\begin{aligned}
\llbracket (\text{let } v[\Delta] = t : T \text{ in } v)[\vec{k}] \rrbracket_\rho &\simeq \llbracket \text{let } v[\Delta] = t : T \text{ in } v \rrbracket_\rho (\llbracket \vec{k} \rrbracket_\rho) \\
&\simeq \llbracket v \rrbracket_{\rho[v := (\lambda \vec{a} \in [\Delta]_\rho) \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]}]} (\llbracket \vec{k} \rrbracket_\rho) \\
&\simeq ((\lambda \vec{a} \in [\Delta]_\rho) \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]}) (\llbracket \vec{k} \rrbracket_\rho) \\
&\simeq \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := [\vec{k}]]} \\
&\simeq \llbracket [\vec{k}/\Delta]t \rrbracket_\rho \\
\llbracket \text{let } v[\Delta] = g[\Delta] \text{ in } k \rrbracket_\rho &\simeq \llbracket k \rrbracket_{\rho[v := (\lambda \vec{a} \in [\Delta]_\rho) \llbracket g[\Delta] \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]}]} \\
&\simeq \llbracket k \rrbracket_{\rho[v := (\lambda \vec{a} \in [\Delta]_\rho) \llbracket g \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]}([\Delta]_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]})]} \\
&\simeq \llbracket k \rrbracket_{\rho[v := (\lambda \vec{a} \in [\Delta]_\rho) \llbracket g \rrbracket_\rho(\vec{a})]} \quad (\text{Lemma 1}) \\
&\simeq \llbracket k \rrbracket_{\rho[v := [g]_\rho]} \quad (\llbracket g \rrbracket_\rho \in ((\Delta)T)_\rho) \\
&\simeq \llbracket [g/v]k \rrbracket_\rho \quad (\text{Lemma 2}) \\
\llbracket \text{let } v[\Delta] = t : T \text{ in } v/v \rrbracket_\rho &\simeq \llbracket k \rrbracket_{\rho[v := \llbracket \text{let } v[\Delta] = t : T \text{ in } v \rrbracket_\rho]} \\
&\simeq \llbracket k \rrbracket_{\rho[v := \llbracket v \rrbracket_{\rho[v := (\lambda \vec{a} \in [\Delta]_\rho) \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]}]}]} \\
&\simeq \llbracket k \rrbracket_{\rho[v := (\lambda \vec{a} \in [\Delta]_\rho) \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\rho[\Delta := \vec{a}]}]} \\
&\simeq \llbracket \text{let } v[\Delta] = t : T \text{ in } k \rrbracket_\rho
\end{aligned}$$

QED

Theorem 3 *If there exists a sound interpretation of the valid bijou PAL⁺ signature Σ in some set theory T , then*

$$T \vdash \Sigma \text{ is consistent .}$$

Proof In T , we reason as follows:

Suppose there were a term M such that

$$X : \mathbf{Type} \vdash_\Sigma M : X .$$

The valuation e , that maps every variable to the empty set, satisfies $X : \mathbf{Type}$, so, by the Soundness Theorem,

$$\llbracket M \rrbracket_e \in \llbracket X \rrbracket_e = \emptyset .$$

This is a contradiction.

QED

5 An Interpretation for UTT

5.1 Interpretations for Inductive Types

Let Σ be a valid bijou PAL⁺ signature, and let \mathcal{S} be the following valid inductive schema in Σ :

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Inductive } I \\ & \text{Constructors } \kappa_1 : [\Delta_1, \Theta_1]I, \\ & \quad \vdots \\ & \quad \kappa_k : [\Delta_k, \Theta_k]I \end{aligned}$$

Let \mathcal{I} be a sound interpretation for Σ . We can extend \mathcal{I} to a sound interpretation for $\Sigma + \mathcal{S}$ as follows:

Define a sequence of sets V_n for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ as follows:

$$V_0 = \emptyset$$

Given V_n , we define

$$\begin{aligned} V_{n+1} = \{ \langle i, \vec{a}, \vec{b} \rangle \mid & 1 \leq i \leq k, \\ & \vec{a} \in \llbracket \Delta_i \rrbracket, \\ & \vec{b} \in \llbracket \Theta_i \rrbracket_{\Delta_i := \vec{a}} \} \end{aligned}$$

where the interpretation used to define $\llbracket \Theta_i \rrbracket$ is \mathcal{I} with I mapped to V_n .

Lemma 3 *For $m \leq n$, we have $V_m \subseteq V_n$.*

Let

$$V_\omega = \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} V_n .$$

We define, for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, the $k + 1$ -ary class term E_n as follows:

$$E_0 = \emptyset$$

Given E_n , E_{n+1} is defined by

$$E_{n+1}(f_1, \dots, f_k, \langle i, \vec{a}, \vec{b} \rangle) = f_i(\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{b}^\natural)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \langle b_1, \dots, b_r \rangle^\natural = & \langle (\lambda x \in \text{dom } b_1) E_n(f_1, \dots, f_k, b_1(x)), \\ & \dots \\ & (\lambda \vec{x} \in \text{dom } b_r) E_n(f_1, \dots, f_k, b_r(\vec{x})) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Thus, for E_{n+1} to be defined at a given $k + 1$ -tuple, its $k + 1$ st argument must be a member of V_{n+1} .

Lemma 4 *For $m \leq n$, we have $E_m \subseteq E_n$. That is, the domain of E_m is a subclass of the domain on E_n , and the two class terms agree on $\text{dom } E_m$.*

Proof The proof is by induction on m .

$$E_0 = \emptyset \subseteq E_n$$

QED

It follows that $\bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} E_n$ is a class term. We denote this class term by E . We now extend \mathcal{I} as follows:

- I is interpreted as V_ω .
- κ_i is interpreted as the class term which, given a tuple \vec{a} of the same length as Δ_i , and a tuple \vec{b} of the same length as Θ_i , returns the triple

$$\langle i, \vec{a}, \vec{b} \rangle .$$

- E_I is interpreted as the class term E .

Theorem 4 *This extended interpretation of $\Sigma + \mathcal{S}$ is sound.*

Examples

1. The empty type \emptyset , whose schema is simply

$$\text{Inductive } \emptyset$$

In this case, each set V_n is the empty set, so V_ω is the empty set, and E the nowhere-defined function.

2. The disjoint union of two types:

$$\begin{aligned} (A, B : \text{Type}) \text{Inductive+} \\ \text{Constructors } \iota_1 : (A)+ \\ \iota_2 : (B)+ \end{aligned}$$

In this case, for every $n > 0$,

$$V_n = \{\langle 1, a \rangle \mid a \in \llbracket A \rrbracket\} \cup \{\langle 2, b \rangle \mid b \in \llbracket B \rrbracket\}$$

This is the set we shall write as $A \uplus B$.

The eliminator E is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} E(f, g, \langle 1, a \rangle) &\simeq f(a) & (a \in \llbracket A \rrbracket) \\ E(f, g, \langle 2, b \rangle) &\simeq g(b) & (b \in \llbracket B \rrbracket) \end{aligned}$$

3. Non-dependent function space:

$$\begin{aligned} (A, B : \text{Type}) \text{Inductive } \rightarrow \\ \text{Constructors } \lambda : ((A)B) \rightarrow \end{aligned}$$

In this case, for every $n > 0$,

$$V_n = \{\langle 1, f \rangle \mid f : \llbracket A \rrbracket \rightarrow \llbracket B \rrbracket\}$$

The eliminator E is defined by

$$E(F, \langle 1, f \rangle) \simeq F(f) \quad (f : \llbracket A \rrbracket \rightarrow \llbracket B \rrbracket)$$

5.2 Consistent Theories of Inductive Types

Theorem 5 *Martin-Löf Type Theory is consistent.*

Proof The empty interpretation of the empty signature is trivially sound. The result now follows by Theorem 4. **QED**

Theorem 6 *There is a sound interpretation of Martin-Löf Type Theory with Classical Logic in $ZF + V = L$. Therefore, if ZF is consistent, then Martin-Löf Type Theory with Classical Logic is consistent.*

Proof It is sufficient to find a class term EM that, given a set a , returns a set

$$\begin{aligned} EM(a) &\in \llbracket X + (X \rightarrow \emptyset) \rrbracket_{X:=a} \\ &= a + \{\langle 1, f \rangle \mid f : a \rightarrow \emptyset\} \end{aligned}$$

Let $<$ be a well-ordering of L . We define the class term by

$$EM(a) = \begin{cases} \langle 1, x \rangle & \text{if } a \neq \emptyset \\ \langle 2, \langle 1, \emptyset \rangle \rangle & \text{if } a = \emptyset \end{cases}$$

where x is the $<$ -least member of a . **QED**

Theorem 7 *There is a sound interpretation of UTT with excluded middle.*

Proof We begin by interpreting the basic signature as follows:

Choose some object $*$.

Prop is interpreted as $\{0, 1\}$.

Prf is interpreted as the function PRF on $\{0, 1\}$, where

$$\begin{aligned} PRF(0) &= \emptyset \\ PRF(1) &= \{*\} \end{aligned}$$

\forall is interpreted as the class term ALL that, given a set a and a function $f : a \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$, returns:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{if } (\forall x \in a)f(x) = 1 \\ &0 \text{if } (\exists x \in a)f(x) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Λ and E_{\forall} are each interpreted as the class term that maps every set to $*$.

The only difficult point in verifying that this interpretation is sound is checking the types of Λ and E_{\forall} . This is done as follows:

Suppose $\langle A, P, f \rangle$ satisfy the domain of Λ , that is:

- A is a set.
- $P : A \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$.

- $f \in \Pi_{a \in A} PRF(P(a))$

Then, for every $a \in A$, we have $PRF(P(a)) \neq \emptyset$ (as $f(a) \in PRF(P(a))$), hence $P(a) = 1$. Thus, $ALL(A, P) = 1$, and so

$$\Lambda(A, P, f) = * \in \{*\} = PRF(ALL(A, P))$$

Suppose $\langle A, P, R, f, z \rangle$ satisfy the domain of E_{\forall} ; that is,

- A is a set.
- $P : A \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$
- $R : PRF(ALL(A, P)) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$
- $f \in \Pi_{g \in \Pi_{a \in A} PRF(P(a))} PRF(R(*))$
- $z \in PRF(ALL(A, P))$

Then $PRF(ALL(A, P)) \neq \emptyset$, so $ALL(A, P) = 1$; therefore, $P(a) = 1$ for each $a \in A$. Thus, the function g defined on A by

$$g(a) = * \quad (a \in A)$$

is a member of the set $\Pi_{a \in A} PRF(P(a))$. Hence,

$$f(g) \in PRF(R(*))$$

and so $PRF(R(*)) \neq \emptyset$; therefore, $R(*) = 1$.

We have $PRF(ALL(A, P)) = \{*\}$, so $z = *$. Therefore,

$$E_{\forall}(A, P, R, f, z) = * \in \{*\} = PRF(R(*)) = PRF(R(z))$$

as required.

The inductive types are interpreted as in Theorem 4.

Finally, EM is interpreted as the function from $\{0, 1\}$ to $\{0, 1\}$, that maps both 0 and 1 to 1. It is easily verified that $\llbracket P \vee \neg P \rrbracket_{\rho} = 1$ for all ρ satisfying $P : \mathbf{Prop}$ (i.e. such that $\rho(P) \in \{0, 1\}$). **QED**

Note that this interpretation is also sound if we add to UTTC the equation for *proof irrelevance*:

$$(P : \mathbf{Prop}, p : \text{Prf}[P], q : \text{Prf}[P])(p = q : \text{Prf}[P])$$

References

- [1] Zhaohui Luo. *Computation and Reasoning: A Type Theory for Computer Science*. Number 11 in International Series of Monographs on Computer Science. Oxford University Press, 1994.