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Maximal Sharing in the Lambda Calculus with letrec



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methods consist of the steps:

interpretation of $\lambda_{ ext{letrec}}$ -terms as term graphs

- higher-order: λ -ho-term-graphs
- first-order: λ -term-graphs

bisimilarity & bisimulation collapse of $\lambda\text{-term-graphs}$

readback of λ -term-graphs as $\lambda_{\mathsf{letrec}}$ -terms

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maximal sharing method

- extends 'maximal sharing' from first-order terms to higher-order terms (with binding)
- significantly extends common subexpression elimination
- is targeted at maximizing sharing statically
 - with respect to the unfolding semantics
 - not: organize/maximize sharing dynamically during evaluation

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- 2. check bisimilarity

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running example



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Theorem

The class of eager-scope λ -term-graphs is closed under functional bisimilarity \Rightarrow .

 \implies For a λ_{letrec} -term L

the bisimulation collapse of $[\![L]\!]_{\mathcal{T}}$ is again an eager-scope λ -term-graph.





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Theorem

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idea:

- 1. construct a spanning tree T of G
- 2. using local rules, in a bottom-up traversal of T synthesize L = rb(G)

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$$(vs(\vec{p}) v_{n+1}) \downarrow r$$

$$(\vec{p} v_{n+1}[B, (r = ?)])L$$







- tool maxsharing on hackage.haskell.org
 - uses Utrecht University Attribute Grammar Compiler (UUAGC)
- uses DFA-minimization instead of bisimulation collapse
 - reason: trace equivalence = bisimilarity for deterministic LTSs
- examples and explanation
 - in accompanying report

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 λ -term-graph $[L_0]_{\mathcal{H}}$

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Demo: console output

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Demo: generated DFAs







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 λ -DFA for L_0 (without non-accepting transitions)

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interpretation

 of λ_{letrec}-term L with |L| = n
 as λ-term-graph G = [[L]]_T
 in time O(n²), size |G| ∈ O(n²).

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Theorem

Computing a maximally compact form $L_0 = (rb \circ |\downarrow \circ [\![\cdot]\!]_T)(L)$ of L for a λ_{letrec} -term L requires time $O(n^2 \log n)$, where |L| = n.

unfolding equivalence: complexity



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Theorem

Deciding whether λ_{letrec} -terms L_1 and L_2 are unfolding-equivalent requires almost quadratic time $O(n^2 \alpha(n))$ for $n = \max\{|L_1|, |L_2|\}$.



- support for full functional languages
 - work on a Core language with constructors, case statements
 - model these by enriching $\lambda_{ ext{letrec}}$ with function symbols
 - adapt our method to this $\lambda_{ ext{letrec}}$ -extension
- prevent space leaks caused by disadvantageous sharing
 - identify 'sharing-unfit' positions/vertices
 - modify λ-term-graph interpretation in order to constrain the bisimulation collapse
- fully-lazy lambda-lifting
 - necessary analysis is similar
 - ▶ can be implemented as: $rb_{LL} \circ \llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_{\mathcal{T}}$ (with modified readback rb_{LL})

applications

- maximal sharing at run-time
 - repeatedly compactify at run-time
 - possible directly on supercombinator graphs
 - can be coupled with garbage collection
- code improvement
 - detect code duplication
 - provide guidance on how to obtain a more compact form
- function equivalence
 - detecting unfolding equivalence provides partial solution
 - relevant for proof assistants, theorem provers, dependently-typed programming languages

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- tool maxsharing on hackage.haskell.org
- papers and reports
 - Maximal Sharing in the Lambda Calculus with Letrec
 - ICFP 2014 paper
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