

Differential λ -calculus and analytic functors

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Overview

Goal. Define a model of the

- ▶ differential λ -calculus [Ehrhard and Regnier]

using

- ▶ analytic functors [Joyal]

Based on joint works with M. Fiore, M. Hyland, A. Joyal, G. Winskel.

Key idea:
$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_n \frac{x^n}{n!} \quad \Rightarrow \quad f'(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_{n+1} \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

Outline of the talk

Part I: Syntax

- ▶ Review of λ -calculus
- ▶ Differential λ -calculus

Part II: The relational model

- ▶ Relations
- ▶ Differential structure

Part III: Analytic functors

- ▶ Profunctors
- ▶ Differential structure

Part I: Syntax

Simply-typed λ -calculus

Product types

$$\frac{a:A \quad b:B}{\text{pair}(a, b): A \times B}$$

$$\frac{c:A \times B}{\pi_1(c): A}$$

$$\frac{c:A \times B}{\pi_2(c): B}$$

Function types

$$\frac{x:A \vdash b:B}{(\lambda x:A)b: B^A}$$

$$\frac{f: B^A \quad a:A}{\text{app}(f, a): B}$$

The β -rule

$$\text{app}((\lambda x:A)b, a) = b[a/x]: B$$

Cartesian closed categories

\mathcal{C} a cartesian closed category.

Binary products

- ▶ There are $\pi_1 : A \times B \rightarrow A$ and $\pi_2 : A \times B \rightarrow B$ such that

$$\mathcal{C}[X, A \times B] \xrightarrow{(\pi_1, \pi_2) \circ (-)} \mathcal{C}[X, A] \times \mathcal{C}[X, B]$$

is a bijection.

Exponentials

- ▶ There is $\text{app} : B^A \times A \rightarrow B$ such that

$$\mathcal{C}[X, B^A] \xrightarrow{(-) \times A} \mathcal{C}[X \times A, B^A \times A] \xrightarrow{\text{app} \circ (-)} \mathcal{C}[X \times A, B]$$

is a bijection.

Substitution

Syntax. For $x:A \vdash b:B$ and $\Gamma \vdash a:A$,

- ▶ $b[a/x]$ is defined by structural induction on b .

Semantics. For $b:A \rightarrow B$ and $a:\Gamma \rightarrow A$,

- ▶ $b[a/x]$ is given by composition

$$\Gamma \xrightarrow{a} A \xrightarrow{b} B$$

The naturality of the adjunctions ensures that these match.

The differential λ -calculus (I)

For a differentiable map $f : A \rightarrow B$ and $x \in A$, we have a linear map (the Jacobian):

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) : A &\longrightarrow B \\ a &\longmapsto f'(x) \cdot a \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Transposing, for $a \in A$, we obtain a (generally) non-linear map:

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) : A &\longrightarrow B \\ x &\longmapsto f'(x) \cdot a \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Differentiation rule [\[Ehrhard-Regnier\]](#). This corresponds to (2).

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash f : B^A \quad \Delta \vdash a : A}{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash Df \cdot a : B^A}$$

We think of a as being applied **linearly**.

The differential λ -calculus (II)

Fix a commutative rig R and allow linear combinations of λ -terms.

The differential β -rule:

$$D((\lambda x : A)b) \cdot a = \lambda x \left(\frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \cdot a \right),$$

where $\frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \cdot a$ is the linear substitution of a in b .

This is defined by structural induction on b .

Idea: “Sum of all terms obtained by replacing one linear occurrence of x in b with a .”

Models

Questions

- ▶ How to find models?
- ▶ What equations are needed in order to model linear substitution?

Concrete models

- ▶ Köthe spaces (some topological vector spaces) [Ehrhard]
- ▶ Finiteness spaces [Ehrhard]
- ▶ Relational model [Blute, Cockett, Seely], [Ehrhard], [Hyland]

Categorical axiomatisations. Differential categories and variants:

- ▶ [Blute, Cockett, Seely]
- ▶ [Fiore]
- ▶ [Lemay], [Cockett and Lemay]
- ▶ [Manzonetto]

Part II: The relational model

The category of relations

Define the category **Rel** as follows.

- ▶ **Objects:** sets
- ▶ **Morphisms:** relations

$$F : A \rightarrow B \quad \text{is} \quad F \subseteq B \times A$$

- ▶ **Composition:** for $A \xrightarrow{F} B \xrightarrow{G} C$ we define

$$(G \circ F)(c, a) = (\exists b \in B) G(c, b) \wedge F(b, a)$$

- ▶ **Identity:** for a set A , we define $1_A : A \rightarrow A$ by

$$1_A(a, b) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a = b, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Structure of **Rel**

- ▶ Symmetric monoidal structure: $A \times B$
- ▶ Closed structure (internal hom): $A \multimap B =_{\text{def}} B \times A$, since

$$\mathbf{Rel}[A \times B, C] \cong \mathbf{Rel}[A, B \multimap C]$$

- ▶ Binary products: $A + B$, since

$$\mathbf{Rel}[X, A] \times \mathbf{Rel}[X, B] \cong \mathbf{Rel}[X, A + B]$$

- ▶ Terminal object: 0 , since

$$\mathbf{Rel}[X, 0] \cong 1.$$

The exponential modality

For $A \in \mathbf{Rel}$, define

$$\begin{aligned} !A &= \text{free commutative monoid on } A \\ &= \text{set of multisets } \alpha = [a_1, \dots, a_n] \text{ of elements of } A \end{aligned}$$

This is a comonad, with

$$d_A : !A \rightarrow A \quad p_A : !A \rightarrow !!A$$

defined by

$$d_A(a, \alpha) \Leftrightarrow [a] = \alpha \quad p_A([\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n], \alpha) \Leftrightarrow \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n = \alpha$$

Seely isomorphisms:

- ▶ $!(A + B) \cong !A \times !B$ and $!0 = 1$.

Theorem [Folklore]. \mathbf{Rel} is a (degenerate) model of classical linear logic.

The Kleisli category

Define the category $\mathbf{Rel}_!$ as follows.

- ▶ **Objects:** sets
- ▶ **Morphisms:** relations $F : !A \rightarrow B$
- ▶ **Composition:** given $F : !A \rightarrow B$ and $G : !B \rightarrow C$, consider

$$!A \xrightarrow{p_A} !!A \xrightarrow{!F} !B \xrightarrow{G} C$$

- ▶ **Identity:** for A , consider $d_A : !A \rightarrow A$.

Idea:

- ▶ \mathbf{Rel} = sets and linear maps, $\mathbf{Rel}_!$ = sets and non-linear maps
- ▶ Given $F : A \rightarrow B$ linear, we obtain $!A \xrightarrow{d_A} A \xrightarrow{F} B$
- ▶ $\mathbf{Pt}(A) =_{\text{def}} \mathbf{Rel}_![0, A] = \mathbf{Rel}[!0, A] = \mathbf{Rel}[1, A] = \mathbf{Pow}(A)$.

The cartesian closed structure

- ▶ Binary products

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{Rel}_! [X, A] \times \mathbf{Rel}_! [X, B] &= \mathbf{Rel} [!X, A] \times \mathbf{Rel} [!X, B] \\ &\cong \mathbf{Rel} [!X, A + B]\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Exponentials

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{Rel}_! [X + A, B] &= \mathbf{Rel} [!(X + A), B] \\ &\cong \mathbf{Rel} [!X \times !A, B] \\ &\cong \mathbf{Rel} [!X, !A \multimap B] \\ &\cong \mathbf{Rel} [!X, !A \multimap B] \\ &= \mathbf{Rel}_! [X, B^A]\end{aligned}$$

where $B^A =_{\text{def}} !A \multimap B$.

Differential structure (I)

Want:

$$\frac{F : !A \rightarrow B}{dF : !A \times A \rightarrow B}$$

Idea (Differential categories). [Blute, Cockett, Seely]

- ▶ it suffices to have maps $\partial_A : !A \times A \rightarrow !A$. Then dF is obtained as

$$!A \times A \xrightarrow{\partial_A} !A \xrightarrow{F} B$$

- ▶ it suffices to have maps $\bar{d}_A : A \rightarrow !A$. Then dF is obtained as

$$!A \times A \xrightarrow{1 \times \bar{d}_A} !A \times !A \xrightarrow{\bar{c}_A} !A \xrightarrow{F} B$$

Differential structure (II)

Explicitly:

- ▶ define $\bar{d}_A : A \rightarrow !A$ by

$$\bar{d}_A(\alpha, a) \Leftrightarrow \alpha = [a]$$

- ▶ define $\partial_A : !A \times A \rightarrow !A$ by

$$\partial_A(\beta, (\alpha, a)) \Leftrightarrow \beta = \alpha + [a]$$

- ▶ define $dF : !A \times A \rightarrow B$ by

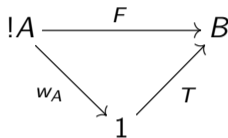
$$dF(b, (\alpha, a)) \Leftrightarrow F(b, \alpha + [a]).$$

Note: Shift of one from α to $\alpha + [a]$.

Theorem. [BCS], [Ehrhard], [Hyland] The rules of differential λ -calculus hold in **Rel**_I.

Differential structure (III)

Example. Say $F : !A \rightarrow B$ is **constant** if there is $T \subseteq B$ such that



in **Rel**. This means

$$F(b, \alpha) \Leftrightarrow w_A(*, \alpha) \wedge T(b, *) \Leftrightarrow \alpha = [] \wedge b \in T$$

Proposition. If F constant, then $dF = 0$.

Proof. $dF(b, (\alpha, a)) \Leftrightarrow F(b, \alpha + [a]) \Leftrightarrow \alpha + [a] = [] \wedge b \in T \Leftrightarrow \perp$

Note. The axioms can be expressed in terms of d_A .

Part III: Analytic functors

Profunctors

A 'categorification' of relations [Bénabou], [Lawvere].

Definition. Let A, B be small categories. A (B, A) -**profunctor** is a functor

$$F : B^{\text{op}} \times A \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$$

Some intuition

- ▶ $F(b, a)$ is the set of 'proofs' that b and a are related.
- ▶ Sets $F(b, a)$, together with actions

$$F(b, a) \times A[a, a'] \rightarrow F(b, a'), \quad B[b', b] \times F(b, a) \rightarrow F(b', a)$$

Example. For a small category A , we have

$$A[-, -] : A^{\text{op}} \times A \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}.$$

The bicategory of profunctors

Define the bicategory **Prof** as follows.

- ▶ **Objects:** small categories
- ▶ **Morphisms:** profunctors

$$F : A \rightarrow B \quad \text{is} \quad F : B^{\text{op}} \times A \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$$

- ▶ **2-cells:** natural transformations
- ▶ **Horizontal composition:** for $A \xrightarrow{F} B \xrightarrow{G} \mathbb{C}$ we define

$$(G \circ F)(c, a) = \int^{b \in B} G(c, b) \times F(b, a)$$

- ▶ **Identity:** for a small category A , we define $1_A : A \rightarrow A$ by

$$1_A(b, a) = A[b, a]$$

The structure of **Prof**

- ▶ Symmetric monoidal structure: $A \times B$

- ▶ Closed structure (internal hom): $A \multimap B =_{\text{def}} B \times A^{\text{op}}$, since

$$\mathbf{Prof}[X \times A, B] \cong \mathbf{Prof}[X, A \multimap B]$$

- ▶ Binary products: $A + B$, since

$$\mathbf{Prof}[X, A] \times \mathbf{Prof}[X, B] \cong \mathbf{Prof}[X, A + B]$$

- ▶ Terminal object: 0 , since

$$\mathbf{Prof}[X, 0] \cong 1$$

Note: All this is now in a 'weak', bicategorical, sense.

The exponential pseudo-comonad

For $A \in \mathbf{Prof}$, define $!A =$ free symmetric monoidal category on A as follows.

- ▶ **Objects:** (a_1, \dots, a_n) , where $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $a_i \in A$,
- ▶ **Maps:** $(\sigma, f_1, \dots, f_n) : (a_1, \dots, a_n) \rightarrow (b_1, \dots, b_m)$, only if $n = m$, with $\sigma \in S_n$ and $f_i : a_i \rightarrow b_{\sigma(i)}$.

This is a pseudocomonad, with

$$d_A : !A \rightarrow A \quad p_A : !A \rightarrow !!A$$

defined by

$$d_A(a, \alpha) = !A[\alpha, (a)] \quad p_A((\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n), \alpha) = !A[\alpha, \alpha_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \alpha_n]$$

Seelye equivalences:

- ▶ $!(A + B) \simeq !A \times !B$ (equivalences, not isos) and $!0 \cong 1$

The Kleisli bicategory

Define the bicategory $\mathbf{Prof}_!$ as follows.

- ▶ **Objects:** small categories
- ▶ **Morphisms:** profunctors $F : !A \rightarrow B$
- ▶ **2-cells:** natural transformations
- ▶ **Horizontal composition:** for $F : !A \rightarrow B$ and $G : !B \rightarrow C$, consider

$$!A \xrightarrow{p_A} !!A \xrightarrow{!F} !B \xrightarrow{G} C$$

- ▶ **Identity:** for A , consider $d_A : !A \rightarrow A$.

Idea:

- ▶ \mathbf{Prof} = categories and linear maps
- ▶ $\mathbf{Prof}_!$ = categories and non-linear maps
- ▶ $\mathbf{Pt}(A) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{Prof}_![0, A] = \mathbf{Prof}[!0, A] = \mathbf{Prof}[1, A] = [A^{\text{op}}, \mathbf{Set}]$.

The cartesian closed structure

In analogy with the relational model, we obtain the following.

Theorem [FGHW] The bicategory \mathbf{Prof}_1 is cartesian closed.

This means that, for $F : X \times A \rightarrow B$, there are 2-cells

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & & X \times A \\ \downarrow \lambda(F) & & \downarrow \lambda(F) \times 1_A \\ B^A & & B^A \times A \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} & X \times A & \\ & \searrow F & \\ & & B \\ \cong & & \\ & \xrightarrow{\text{app}} & \\ & B^A \times A & \end{array}$$

witnessing the β -rule of the λ -calculus:

$$\text{app}((\lambda x : A)F, x) \cong F$$

Symmetric sequences (I)

The maps in $\mathbf{Prof}_!$ are of independent interest.

Consider $A = B = 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} F : 1 \rightarrow 1 \text{ in } \mathbf{Prof}_! &= F : !1 \rightarrow 1 \quad \text{profunctor} \\ &= F : 1^{\text{op}} \times !1 \rightarrow \mathbf{Set} \quad \text{functor} \\ &= F : \mathbf{P} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set} \quad \text{functor} \end{aligned}$$

where \mathbf{P} is the category of natural numbers and permutations.

Explicitly, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, a set $F(n)$ with a S_n -action.

These functors are called **symmetric sequences**.

Analytic functors (I)

Let $F : \mathbf{P} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$ be a symmetric sequence.

The **analytic functor** associated to F is the functor $\widehat{F} : \mathbf{Set} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$ defined by

$$\widehat{F}(X) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{F(n) \times X^n}{S_n}$$

Compare with

$$f(x) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} f_n \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

Analytic functors support a rich calculus, including differentiation. [\[Joyal\]](#).

Symmetric sequences (II)

Let A and B be small categories.

$$\begin{aligned} F : A \rightarrow B \text{ in } \mathbf{Prof}_! &= F : !A \rightarrow B \text{ profunctor} \\ &= F : B^{\text{op}} \times !A \rightarrow \mathbf{Set} \text{ functor} \end{aligned}$$

Such an F

$$(b, a_1, \dots, a_n) \mapsto F(b, a_1, \dots, a_n)$$

We call these (B, A) -**symmetric sequences**.

A 'many-sorted' version of symmetric sequences.

Analytic functors (II)

Let F be a (B, A) -symmetric sequence. The **analytic functor** \widehat{F} is defined by

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{Prof}_! [0, A] & \xrightarrow{F \circ (-)} & \mathbf{Prof}_! [0, B] \\ \parallel & & \parallel \\ \mathbf{Pt}(A) & & \mathbf{Pt}(B) \\ \parallel & & \parallel \\ [A^{\text{op}}, \mathbf{Set}] & \xrightarrow{\widehat{F}} & [B^{\text{op}}, \mathbf{Set}] \end{array}$$

Explicitly:

$$\widehat{F}(X)(b) = \int^{(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in !A} F(b, a_1, \dots, a_n) \times X(a_1) \times \dots \times X(a_n)$$

Theorem [FGHW], [Fiore] Analytic functors support a rich calculus, including differentiation.

Differential structure

Differentiation. Define

$$\bar{d}_A : A \rightarrow !A$$

by

$$\bar{d}_A(\alpha, a) = !A[\alpha, (a)]$$

For $F : !A \rightarrow B$, define

$$dF : !A \times A \rightarrow B$$

by

$$!A \times A \xrightarrow{1 \times \bar{d}_A} !A \times !A \xrightarrow{\bar{c}_A} !A \xrightarrow{F} B$$

so that

$$dF(b, (\alpha, a)) = F(b, \alpha \otimes [a]).$$

Theorem. All the rules of differential λ -calculus are valid in **Prof**_!, up to isomorphism.

Differentiation of analytic functors

$$\frac{F : !A \times A \rightarrow B}{\frac{dF : !A \times A \rightarrow B}{dF : !A \rightarrow (A \multimap B)}}$$

Recalling $A \multimap B = B \times A^{\text{op}}$, we obtain

$$\widehat{dF} : [A^{\text{op}}, \mathbf{Set}] \rightarrow [B^{\text{op}} \times A, \mathbf{Set}]$$

Explicitly

$$\widehat{dF}(X)(b, a) = \int^{(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in !A} F(b, a_1, \dots, a_n, a) \times X(a_1) \times \dots \times X(a_n)$$

Note. Shift of one from (a_1, \dots, a_n) to (a_1, \dots, a_n, a) .

Calculus of analytic functors

Notation. For $F : !A \rightarrow B$ and $a \in A$, define $\frac{\partial}{\partial a} F : !A \rightarrow B$ by

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial a} F\right)(b, \alpha) = F(b, \alpha \otimes [a])$$

Proposition. The following hold:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial a'} \frac{\partial}{\partial a} F \cong \frac{\partial}{\partial a} \frac{\partial}{\partial a'} F \qquad \frac{\partial}{\partial a} (F + G) \cong \frac{\partial}{\partial a} (F) + \frac{\partial}{\partial a} (G)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial a} (F \cdot G) \cong \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial a} F\right) \cdot G + F \cdot \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial a} G\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial a} (G \circ F) \cong \int^{b \in B} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial b} (G)\right) \circ F \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial a} (F)$$

Future work

- ▶ Coherence conditions for differential (cf. rewriting of differential λ -calculus)
- ▶ Extension to analytic functors between operad algebras
- ▶ Links to Taylor series expansion

Part of wider project on 2-dimensional models of linear logic, with M. Fiore, Z. Galal and F. Olimpieri.