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**Abstract:** An interpretation of Abadi and Cardelli's first-order functional *Object Calculus* [AC94b] into a typed  $\pi$ -calculus is presented. The interpretation validates the subtyping relation and the typing judgements of the Object Calculus, and is computationally adequate.

The type language for the  $\pi$ -calculus is that in [PS93] — a development of Milner's sorting discipline [Mil91] with I/O annotations to separate the capabilities of reading and writing on a channel — but with *variants* in place of tuples. Types are necessary to justify certain algebraic laws for the  $\pi$ -calculus which are important in the proof of computational adequacy of the translation.

The study intends to offer a contribution to understanding, on the one hand, the relationship between  $\pi$ -calculus types and conventional types of programming languages and, on the other hand, the usefulness of the  $\pi$ -calculus as a metalanguage for the semantics of typed Object-Oriented languages.

**Key-words:** Object-Oriented languages, types,  $\pi$ -calculus.

(Résumé : *tsvp*)

# Une interprétation des Objets Typés dans le $\pi$ -calcul

**Résumé :** Nous présentons une interprétation de l'*Object Calculus* fonctionnel de premier ordre d'Abadi et Cardelli [AC94b] en  $\pi$ -calcul typé. Cette interprétation valide le sous-typage et le typage de l'Object Calculus, et est adéquat ("computational adequacy").

Le langage des types pour le  $\pi$ -calcul est celui décrit dans [PS93] — un développement de la discipline de sorting de Milner [Mil91] avec annotations I/O pour séparer les capacités de lire et d'écrire sur un canal — mais avec des *variantes* au lieu de tuples. Les types sont nécessaires pour justifier certaines lois algébriques du  $\pi$ -calcul qui sont importantes dans la preuve de correction opérationnelle de la traduction.

Cette étude a pour objet de contribuer à la compréhension, d'une part, de la relation entre les types de  $\pi$ -calcul et les types conventionnels des langages de programmation et, d'autre part, de l'utilité du  $\pi$ -calcul comme métalangage pour la sémantique des langages à objet typés.

**Mots-clé :** Langages à objet, types,  $\pi$ -calcul

# 1 Introduction

The  $\pi$ -calculus [MPW92, Mil91] is a calculus of *mobile* processes, i.e., processes with a dynamically changing linkage structure. Central to the  $\pi$ -calculus is the notion of *name*. Two processes with acquaintance of a given name can use it to interact with each other. In the interaction, names may be exchanged and, in this way, a process can acquire the ability to communicate with other processes. A major strength of the  $\pi$ -calculus is the rich algebraic theory.

The notions of name and of mobility are common in many areas of computer science. A relevant example is Object-Oriented programming: Objects refer to each other using names and, during computation, object acquaintances may change and new objects may be created.

Notions of *types* and *subtypes* for the  $\pi$ -calculus have been put forward. Milner's *sorting* [Mil91] can be considered the first of such type systems. A development of this, and the first one to propose subtyping, is Pierce and Sangiorgi's system [PS93], which we briefly recall. Types are assigned to names and force a discipline on what they can carry. A type shows the arity and the directionality of a name and, recursively, of the names carried by that name. For instance, a type  $p : \langle S^r, T^w \rangle^b$  (for appropriate type expressions  $S$  and  $T$ ) says that name  $p$  can be used *both* to read and to write and that any message at  $p$  carries a pair of names; moreover, the first component of the pair can be used by the recipient *only to read*, the second *only to write* (we use "read" and "write" as synonymous for "input" and "output", respectively). Thus, process  $\bar{p}\langle q, r \rangle. \mathbf{0} \mid p(x, y). (x(z). \mathbf{0} \mid \bar{y}\langle v \rangle. \mathbf{0})$  is well-typed under the type assignment

$$p : \langle S^r, S^w \rangle^b, q : S^r, r : S^w, v : S.$$

(We recall that  $\bar{p}\langle r_1. r_n \rangle. P$  is the output at  $p$  of names  $r_1. r_n$  with continuation  $P$ , that  $p\langle r_1. r_n \rangle. P$  is an input at  $p$  with  $r_1. r_n$  placeholders for the names received in the input, and that "|" is parallel composition.) In this system, subtyping originates from the  $r$  and  $w$  tags, which yield, respectively, covariance and contravariance.

Type systems for the  $\pi$ -calculus are useful both in revealing program errors due to the misuse of names, and in refining the algebraic theory of the  $\pi$ -calculus [PS93, KPT96]. They have been the subject of several recent works. Generalisations and extension of Pierce and Sangiorgi's type system include [Ode95, KPT96, Bor96, Yos96]; in particular, [KPT96] extends it with linear capabilities. Higher-order extensions are also possible, see [Tur96] for the case of parametric polymorphism. Related ideas of types, but without directionality information, can be found, for instance, in [VH93, VT93]. A general framework for these and other type systems is proposed in [Hon96].

The syntactic presentation of these  $\pi$ -calculus type systems is normally easy, following that of familiar type systems for sequential languages, like those for subtyping, linearity and polymorphism. But, in contrast with the latter systems, where types are assigned to terms and provides us with an abstract view of their behaviour, in the  $\pi$ -calculus types are assigned to names (i.e., to channels) and hence reveal very little about behavioural properties of the processes. Because of this difference, the semantic relationship between the two forms of types is not obvious. For instance, what happens to the type structure of programming languages when these are translated into the  $\pi$ -calculus? This issue, first addressed in Turner's thesis [Tur96], is especially important on Object-Oriented languages, since certain aspects of the  $\pi$ -calculus, like its stress on naming and mobility and its rich algebraic theory, make it promising for the semantics of these languages. But the  $\pi$ -calculus will remain of little use without solid and well-understood types, because most of modern Object-Oriented languages incorporate non-trivial notions of types (and of subtypes).

In short, this paper has two main motivations: (1) We wish to test the usefulness of the above-mentioned  $\pi$ -calculus types and investigate their relationship to familiar types of programming languages; (2) we wish to experiment with the  $\pi$ -calculus as a metalanguage for the semantics of *typed Object-Oriented* languages.

Following [PS93], our type system for the  $\pi$ -calculus has directionality information. This seems necessary in order to have meaningful forms of subtyping. But, in contrast with [PS93], our type language has a *variant* construct in place of tupling. Our process operators are those of the untyped monadic  $\pi$ -calculus [MPW92], but with a `case` construct in place of matching. These modifications yield a rich subtype relation while keeping the calculus small and the rules for static detection of run-time errors in communications simple. Enriching the subtype relation was important because that in [PS93] is not powerful enough to describe, for instance, heterogeneous lists as by Milner's encoding of lists [Mil91]. Intuitively, in [PS93] types in the subtype relation may differ on the directionality information but are structurally the same. Our typing and subtyping rules for variants are completely standard. Similar rules on  $\pi$ -calculus-like languages have been used by Vasconcelos and Tokoro [VT93], who have record types but no subtyping, and by Pierce and Turner in PICT [PT96], who have record types with the standard subtyping rule.

We shall use this typed  $\pi$ -calculus to give semantics to a small but challenging typed Object-Oriented language. The  $\pi$ -calculus semantics validates the subtyping relation and the typing judgements of the Object-Oriented language and is computationally adequate. More precisely, we shall exhibit a translation  $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket$  of types  $(A, B)$ , type environments  $(E)$  and terms  $(a, b)$  of the Object-Oriented language into types, type environments and terms of the  $\pi$ -calculus s.t. (the translation of terms take a name as a parameter<sup>1</sup>):

1.  $A \leq B$  iff  $\llbracket A \rrbracket^w \leq \llbracket B \rrbracket^w$  (*correctness of subtyping*);
2.  $E \vdash a : A$  iff  $\llbracket E \rrbracket, p : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{ww} \vdash \llbracket a \rrbracket_p$  (*correctness of typing judgements*);
3.  $a \Downarrow$  iff  $\llbracket a \rrbracket_p \Downarrow$  (*computational adequacy*);

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<sup>1</sup>The translation in Section 12 will actually have another parameter, a typing environment, but this could be omitted by having, for instance, more type annotations in the syntax of the Object-Oriented language.

where  $\leq$  is the subtype relation and  $\Downarrow$  is the convergence predicate, which on a  $\pi$ -calculus process indicates the possibility of performing a visible action with the environment. From these results and the compositionality of the encoding, as an easy corollary we get the soundness of the translation w.r.t. behavioural equivalences like Morris-style contextual equivalence [Bar84] or barbed congruence [MS92].

The proofs of computational adequacy and soundness of the translation rely on algebraic laws whose operational justification depend on types — the laws are not valid in the untyped  $\pi$ -calculus. These proofs are therefore significant examples of the usefulness of types for reasoning on  $\pi$ -calculus processes.

The source Object-Oriented language is Abadi-Cardelli's first-order functional *Object Calculus* (OC, [AC94b]). OC has a minimal number of constructs, which can express, as primitive or derived forms, various major Object-Oriented idioms; and it has simple but interesting typing and subtyping rules. OC has built-in objects, as a collection of methods parametrised on *self*, and operators for method *selection* and method *update*. The latter allows us to replace the method of an object, and it implicitly yields a form of *inheritance*. Self is used within the methods of an object to refer to the object itself. When the object is modified, the value of self changes accordingly.

OC was first presented with direct typing and reduction rules [AC94b]. Finding an interpretation of OC into some form of typed  $\lambda$ -calculus has revealed hard. The difficulties are entirely due to types. Interpreting the *untyped* OC into the untyped  $\lambda$ -calculus — as well as into the untyped  $\pi$ -calculus — is straightforward following Kamin's *self-application* semantics [Kam88], where objects are viewed as records and methods as functions. This approach does not work for the typed calculi because the self parameter of methods, occurring in contravariant position, blocks any form of subtyping.

Only very recently a solution has been found by Abadi, Cardelli and Viswanathan [ACV96], using as target language an extension of System F with subtyping and recursive types. The translation explicitly uses bounded existentials and record types, which are encodable in the polymorphic  $\lambda$ -calculus used. The main features of this interpretation are: The separation between the select and update capabilities in the translation of object methods; the use of type abstraction; the presence of an explicit component for self in the translation of object types. Our interpretation of OC into typed  $\pi$ -calculus follows [ACV96] in maintaining the first of these ideas, but it does not require the second and the third one. Therefore, our type system for the  $\pi$ -calculus is *first order*; this is an important difference with that needed in [ACV96] (for instance, in our case type checking is decidable, likely polynomial [Pal96], whereas it is undecidable in [ACV96]).<sup>2</sup> We should also stress that our variant values are name values, in the sense that they are built out of variant tags and names only, and cannot contain, for instance, process expressions.

Our encoding of OC, and the proofs of operational correspondence and computational adequacy much owe to the studies of encodings of various forms of  $\lambda$ -calculi into the  $\pi$ -calculus, in particular [Mil92, San95]. The only previous formal study on the relationship between  $\pi$ -calculus types and conventional types of programming languages has been

<sup>2</sup>By the time this paper had been written, Ramesh Viswanathan has found an interpretation of OC into a typed lambda-calculus with records and recursive types through which — we strongly believe — our interpretation of OC into  $\pi$ -calculus can be factorised.



conducted by Turner [Tur96]. He takes (variants of) Milner’s encodings of the  $\lambda$ -calculus into the  $\pi$ -calculus and proves that for some of these encodings there is a correspondence between principal types of the  $\lambda$ -terms and principal types of the encoding  $\pi$ -calculus terms; the  $\pi$ -calculus type system used is (the structural version of) Milner’s sorting plus polymorphism.

Jones [Jon93] and Walker [Wal95, LW96] have already used the  $\pi$ -calculus as a target language for translating parallel Object-Oriented languages derived from the POOL family [Ame89] and for proving the validity of certain program transformations on the source languages. Their works show that the  $\pi$ -calculus captures certain Object-Oriented features and that it offers a basis for reasoning on them. The main limitation of these works is that they do not show how to handle *typed* Object-Oriented languages — the source languages have rather simple type systems and the translations do not act on types. Dealing with types is important when the type system of the Object-Oriented language contains non-trivial features like subtyping, otherwise many useful program equalities are lost and the semantics cannot be used to validate the typing rules of the language. (Further, a translation which is correct on untyped calculi may not remain correct when types are taken into account; we shall see an example of this in Section 3.) Other object-oriented features not present in the languages translated by Jones and Walker are inheritance and self.

*Structure of the paper.* We review the syntax, type system and operational semantics of OC in Section 2. In Section 3 we present a (naive) translation of the untyped OC into the polyadic  $\pi$ -calculus. The translation is correct on the untyped OC, but it is not when types are considered. Showing this translation helps us to motivate the replacement of  $\pi$ -calculus original matching with the `case` construct — we can present the latter as a more disciplined form of conditional; it also helps to understand the final translation in Section 12. In Section 4 to 7 we present the syntax, the reduction, subtyping and typing rules of the typed  $\pi$ -calculus. In Section 8 we prove some basic properties of typing and subtyping, including subject-reduction and narrowing. In Section 9 we define a behavioural equivalence on the typed  $\pi$ -calculus (barbed congruence) and in Section 10 we show some algebraic laws for it. In Section 11 we report some derived type and process constructs. In Section 12 we define the translation of the typed OC. We prove its correctness w.r.t. subtyping and typing judgements in Section 13, and its operational correctness in Section 14. Finally, in Section 15 some conclusions and directions for future research.

## 2 The Object Calculus

Omitting type annotations, an object  $a$  with method names  $\ell_j$  ( $j \in 1..n$ ), and method bodies  $\zeta(x_j).b_j$  is written

$$\{_{j \in 1..n} \ell_j = \zeta(x_j).b_j\}$$

where  $x_j$ ’s are the self parameters. The selection of method  $\ell_i$ , written  $a.\ell_i$ , gives  $b_i\{a/x_i\}$ . The update of method  $\ell_i$  with a new body  $\zeta(x).b$ , written  $a.\ell_i \leftarrow \zeta(x)b$ , gives  $\{_{j \in \{1..n\} - \{i\}} \ell_j = \zeta(x_j).b_j, \ell_i = \zeta(x).b\}$ . In the derivative of the select, the self parameter  $x_i$  is replaced by the whole object. In the derivative of the update, the self parameter of non-updated methods  $\ell_j$ ,  $j \neq i$ , which before the update referred to the object  $a$ , at the end refers to a (possibly)



## Subtyping rules

$$\frac{}{\{\ell_j : B_j\}_{j \in 1..n+m} \leq \{\ell_j : B_j\}_{j \in 1..n}} \quad (\text{O-SUBOB})$$

## Typing rules

$$\frac{E \vdash a : A \quad A \leq B}{E \vdash a : B} \quad (\text{OT-SUBS})$$

$$\frac{\text{for each } j, E, x_j : A \vdash b_j : B_j \quad A = \{\ell_j : B_j\}_{j \in 1..n}}{E \vdash \{\ell_j = \zeta(x_j : A). b_j\} : A} \quad (\text{OT-OBJ})$$

$$\frac{E \vdash a : \{\ell_j : B_j\}_{j \in 1..n} \quad i \in 1..n}{E \vdash a. \ell_i : B_i} \quad (\text{OT-SEL})$$

$$\frac{E \vdash a : A \quad E, x_i : A \vdash b : B_i \quad A = \{\ell_j : B_j\}_{j \in 1..n} \quad i \in 1..n}{E \vdash a. \ell_i \Leftarrow \zeta(x_i : A). b : A} \quad (\text{OT-UPD})$$

$$\frac{E(x) = A}{E \vdash x : A} \quad (\text{OT-VAR})$$

### 2.1 Some simple properties of types

We report some simple facts about typing of OC terms, which we will need later.

**Lemma 2.1** *If  $A \leq B$  and  $B \leq A$  then  $A = B$ .*

**Lemma 2.2** *Suppose that  $a \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\ell_j = \zeta(x_j : A_j). b_j\}$  and that  $E \vdash a : A$ . Then for all  $j_1, j_2 \in 1..n$  it holds that  $A_{j_1} = A_{j_2} \leq A$ .*

**Lemma 2.3** *Let  $a \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\ell_j = \zeta(x_j : A). b_j\}$ .*

1. *If  $E \vdash a. \ell_i : B_i$  then  $E \vdash a : A$  and  $A$  has an  $\ell_i$ -th component, say  $A_i$ , with  $A_i \leq B_i$ .*
2. *If  $E \vdash a. \ell_i \Leftarrow \zeta(x : B). b : B'$  then  $E \vdash a : A$  and  $A \leq B \leq B'$  and  $B$  has a  $\ell_i$ -th component.*

**Lemma 2.4** *Suppose that*

- $E \vdash a : A$ ,
- $E, x : A \vdash b : B$ .

*Then  $E \vdash b\{a/x\} : B$*

**Lemma 2.5** *If  $E, x : A \vdash a : B$  and  $A' \leq A$  then also  $E, x : A' \vdash a : B$ .*

### 3 A translation of the untyped OC into the polyadic $\pi$ -calculus

To motivate the presence of variant types in the  $\pi$ -calculus, we first show a naive and (in our opinion) most natural encoding of the untyped OC into the polyadic  $\pi$ -calculus, and explain why the translation does not work at the level of types. (A translation of the untyped OC similar to that in this section has been given by Hüttel and Kleist [HK96].)

We briefly recall the operators of the polyadic  $\pi$ -calculus. We use  $P, Q$  to range over processes and  $p, q, r, \dots, x, y, z$  to range over names. With some abuse of notation we let symbols  $x, y, z, \dots$  be both OC variables and  $\pi$ -calculus names, and  $\ell$  be both a method name and a  $\pi$ -calculus name. By convention, we assume that  $p, q, r, \ell$  are not OC variables.  $\mathbf{0}$  is the inactive process;  $P \mid Q$  is the parallel composition of processes  $P$  and  $Q$ ; the restriction  $(\nu x)P$  makes name  $x$  local to process  $P$ ;  $x(y_1..y_n).P$  is an input at  $x$  with  $y_1..y_n$  as placeholders for the names received, and  $P$  as continuation;  $\bar{x}(y_1..y_n).P$  is the output of names  $y_1..y_n$  at  $x$  with continuation  $P$ ; the matching and mismatching constructs  $[x = y]P$  and  $[x \neq y]P$  release process  $P$  if  $x$  and  $y$  are the same (matching) or different (mismatching) names;  $!P$  is the replication of  $P$ , therefore it represents infinite many copies of  $P$  in parallel. We abbreviate a term  $\bar{x}(y_1..y_n).\mathbf{0}$  as  $\bar{x}(y_1..y_n)$ ; a term  $\bar{x}(y).P$  as  $\bar{x}y.P$ ; a term  $(\nu y)\bar{x}y.P$  as  $\bar{x}(y).P$ ; a term  $P_1 \mid \dots \mid P_n$  as  $\prod_{j \in 1..n} P_j$ . We assign parallel composition the lowest syntactic precedence among the operators. Input and restriction are binding constructs and give rise to the expected definitions of alpha conversion, name substitutions, free and bound names of a process.

The translation of the untyped OC is defined structurally using the rules below:

$$\begin{aligned}
\llbracket \{_{j \in 1..n} \ell_j = \zeta(y).b_j\} \rrbracket_p &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bar{p}(x).!x(\ell, r, y). \left( \prod_{j \in 1..n} [\ell = \ell_j] \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_r \right) \\
\llbracket a.\ell_j \rrbracket_p &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\nu q) \left( \llbracket a \rrbracket_q \mid q(x).\bar{x}(\ell_j, p, x) \right) \\
\llbracket a.\ell_j \Leftarrow \zeta(y)b \rrbracket_p &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\nu q) \left( \llbracket a \rrbracket_q \mid q(x).\bar{p}(x_{\text{new}}).!x_{\text{new}}(\ell, r, y). \right. \\
&\quad \left. ([\ell = \ell_j] \llbracket b \rrbracket_r \mid [\ell \neq \ell_j] \bar{x}(\ell, r, y)) \right) \\
\llbracket x \rrbracket_p &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bar{p}x
\end{aligned}$$

where, in the translation of a value,  $x$  is not free in  $b_1..b_n$  and, in the translation of update,  $x$  is not free in  $b$ . As usual, by convention we assume that in each clause of the translation different name symbols stand for different names.

The translation of an object value at  $p$  — the *location* of the object — is a process which signals its valuehood by emitting a pointer  $x$  to the *value-core* of the object. The value-core is a process which accepts requests for method selection, each request consisting of three parameters: The name  $\ell$  of the method, the location  $r$  to be used for the next interaction, and a pointer  $y$  to the value-core of the actual self parameter. In the translation of the update of a method  $\ell_j$  of an object  $a$ , upon receiving a pointer  $x$  to the value-core of  $a$ , a new object is created which locally processes every request for method  $\ell_j$  using the new method body, and which forwards any other request along  $x$ .

One can prove results of operational correspondence for this encoding similar to those for Milner's encoding of call-by-value  $\lambda$ -calculus [Mil92, San92]. The above translation actually

allows *method extension*, in case of updates of methods which do not exist. Method extension is reasonable on untyped calculi; it can be prevented by further elaborating the translation of update. In either cases, writing  $P \approx Q$  to mean that processes  $P$  and  $Q$  are behaviourally undistinguishable (formally,  $\approx$  is weak barbed congruence, see Section 9), we have, for all closed terms  $a, b$ :

1. If  $a \longrightarrow b$  then  $\llbracket a \rrbracket_p \longrightarrow \approx \llbracket b \rrbracket_p$ ;
2. conversely, if  $\llbracket a \rrbracket_p \longrightarrow P$  then there is  $b$  s.t.  $a \longrightarrow b$  and  $P \approx \llbracket b \rrbracket_p$ .

The proofs are similar to those we shall give in Section 14.

The point we wish to get to is why the translation does not work on the typed calculi, assuming the type system in [PS93] for the  $\pi$ -calculus. In a target process  $\llbracket a \rrbracket_p$ , name  $p$  would have type  $\langle S, T, U \rangle^{ww}$ , for appropriate types  $S, T$ , and  $U$ . The outermost tag is  $w$  because  $p$  may be used only in output position by  $\llbracket a \rrbracket_p$ ; then  $\langle S, T, U \rangle^w$  is the type of a pointer emitted at  $p$ , which may be used by its recipient only in output; and  $U$  is the type of (a pointer to) the actual self parameter. In  $\langle S, T, U \rangle^w$ , type  $U$  is underneath an odd number of  $w$  tags, hence it is in contravariant position. Moreover, since the value of self may be the object  $a$  itself,  $U$  must be a subtype of  $\langle S, T, U \rangle^w$ . These two facts —  $U$  occurring in contravariant position and having to be a subtype of  $\langle S, T, U \rangle^w$  — prevent any possibility of subtyping between the types of the locations of different objects.

The failure is similar to that of the self-application interpretation of objects into the  $\lambda$ -calculus [Kam88]: The self parameter is completely exposed in a contravariant position. Indeed, the translation can read as a (functional) encoding of records whose fields are functions with the same argument and where record update is achieved by creating a new record which shares the non-updated components with the old one.

It is worth noticing, in the above translation, the use of matching and mismatching for operations of selection and update. This suggests that one might hope to recover the subtyping rule for objects — whereby object types with different sets of methods are related — by allowing forms of subtyping on the conditional constructs, absent in the type system in [PS93]. In the next sections, we shall develop this idea, introducing a more refined form of conditional. Then we shall refine the translation in this section so to obtain one which is correct also on the typed OC.

## 4 The syntax of the typed $\pi$ -calculus

The table below gives the syntax for types and processes of the typed  $\pi$ -calculus. The underlying process constructs are those of the monadic  $\pi$ -calculus [MPW92], with matching replaced by a `case` construct. The latter can be thought of as a more disciplined form of matching, in which all tests on a given name are localised to a single place. The syntax chosen for `case` is reminiscent of an analogous construct in [MPW92]. In the untyped calculus, matching and `case` are interderivable, but in the typed calculus `case` allows us simple but powerful typing and subtyping rules with which, moreover, any misuse of variant values in communications is easy to detect (rule R-CASE-WRONG, Section 5). We have omitted summation, since we will not need it in the interpretation of OC. Restriction is

explicitly typed to facilitate certain proofs involving the type system (we are not interested in type inference in this paper). *Substitutions*, ranged over by  $\sigma$ , are functions from names to values; for an expression  $e$ , which could be a process or a value,  $e\sigma$  is the result of applying  $\sigma$  onto  $e$ , with the usual renaming to avoid captures of bound names. Substitutions have tighter syntactic precedence than the process operators. In a prefix  $p(x).P$  or  $\bar{p}w.P$  we call  $p$  the *subject* of the prefix.

The most important difference w.r.t. the monadic  $\pi$ -calculus is the addition of variant values. This introduces a vertical dimension on values, as opposite to the tupling construct of the polyadic  $\pi$ -calculus, which introduces an horizontal dimension. We should stress that the variant values are rather simple, in that they are constructed out of names and variant tags only and therefore do not contain terms of the language.

The construct `wrong` stands for a process in which a run-time type error has occurred — i.e., a communication in which the variant tag of the transmitted value was unexpected by its recipient or a violation of an I/O restriction. The soundness theorem in Section 13 guarantees that a well-typed process expression cannot reduce to an expression containing `wrong`.

The requirement that, in a `case` statement, tags  $\ell_i$  be pairwise distinct can be removed at the price of allowing non-deterministic choices on the continuation branches. In a `case` branch  $\ell_i(x_i) \triangleright P_i$ , name  $x_i$  is bound in  $P_i$ . We sometimes abbreviate an expression  $[\ell_1(y_1) \triangleright P_1; \dots; \ell_n(y_n) \triangleright P_n]$  as  $[\ell_{j \in 1..n} \ell_j(y_j) \triangleright P_j]$ , and similarly for variant types  $[\ell_1 : T_1; \dots; \ell_n : T_n]$ .

We have chosen different syntactic categories for names and variant tags. This is a matter of taste: Another possibility would be to have a single syntactic category and then to use *distinctions* [MPW92] to make variant tags constants.

## Syntax

<i>Names</i>		
	$p, q, r, x, y, z$	
<i>Variant Tags</i>		
	$\ell, h$	
<i>Types</i>		
$T$	$::=$	
	$\mu X. T$	recursive type
	$X$	type variable
	$[\ell_1 \dashv T_1 \dots \ell_n \dashv T_n]$	variant type
	$T^I$	channel type
<i>I/O Tags</i>		
$I$	$::=$	
	$r$	input only
	$w$	output only
	$b$	either
<i>Values</i>		
$v$	$::=$	
	$x$	name
	$\ell \dashv v$	variant value
<i>Processes</i>		
$P$	$::=$	
	$\mathbf{0}$	nil process
	$P \mid P$	parallel
	$(\nu x : T) P$	restriction
	$p(x).P$	input
	$\bar{p}v.P$	output
	$!P$	replication
	$\text{case } v \text{ of } [\ell_1 \dashv (x_1) \triangleright P_1 ; \dots ; \ell_n \dashv (x_n) \triangleright P_n]$	case
	$\text{wrong}$	error
where:		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In a recursive type <math>\mu X. T</math>, variable <math>X</math> must be guarded in <math>T</math>, i.e., occur underneath a I/O-tag or underneath a variant tag;</li> <li>• in the <b>case</b> statement, the tags <math>\ell_i</math> (<math>i \in 1..n</math>) are pairwise distinct.</li> </ul>	

## 5 Reduction semantics

Following Milner [Mil91], the one-step reduction relation  $\longrightarrow$  of the calculus exploits the auxiliary relation  $\equiv$  of structural congruence to bring the participants of a potential communication into contiguous positions. W.r.t. Milner [Mil91], the new rules are R-CASE, which acts as a destructor for variant values, and R-CASE-WRONG, which signals a runtime error on the manipulation of variant values.

## Structural congruence

The *structural congruence relation*  $\equiv$  is the least congruence on processes which is closed under the following rules:

1.  $P \mid Q \equiv Q \mid P$ ,  $P \mid (Q \mid R) \equiv (P \mid Q) \mid R$ ,  $P \mid \mathbf{0} \equiv P$ ;
2.  $(\nu p : T) \mathbf{0} \equiv \mathbf{0}$ ,  $(\nu p : T) (\nu q : S) P \equiv (\nu q : S) (\nu p : T) P$ ;
3.  $((\nu p : T) P) \mid Q \equiv (\nu p : T) (P \mid Q)$ , if  $p$  not free in  $Q$ ;
4.  $!P \equiv P \mid !P$ ;
5.  $C[\text{wrong}] \equiv \text{wrong}$ , for any context  $C$ .

Rule 5 can be split into smaller local rules like  $P \mid \text{wrong} \equiv \text{wrong}$  and  $(\nu p : S) \text{wrong} \equiv \text{wrong}$ .

## Reduction relation

$\frac{}{\overline{p}v . P \mid p(x) . Q \longrightarrow P \mid Q\{v/x\}}$	(R-COMM)
$\frac{\ell_j \in \{\ell_1.. \ell_n\}}{\text{case } \ell_{j-v} \text{ of } [\ell_{1-}(x_1) \triangleright P_1; \dots; \ell_{n-}(x_n) \triangleright P_n] \longrightarrow P_j\{v/x_j\}}$	(R-CASE)
$\frac{\ell_j \notin \{\ell_1.. \ell_n\}}{\text{case } \ell_{j-v} \text{ of } [\ell_{1-}(x_1) \triangleright P_1; \dots; \ell_{n-}(x_n) \triangleright P_n] \longrightarrow \text{wrong}}$	(R-CASE-WRONG)
$\frac{P \longrightarrow P'}{P \mid Q \longrightarrow P' \mid Q}$	(R-PAR)
$\frac{P \longrightarrow P'}{(\nu p : S) P \longrightarrow (\nu p : S) P'}$	(R-RESTR)
$\frac{P \equiv P' \longrightarrow Q' \equiv Q}{P \longrightarrow Q}$	(R-EQV)

For any name  $p$ , the observation predicate  $\downarrow_p$  detects the possibility for a process of performing a communication with the external environment along  $p$ . Thus,  $P \downarrow_p$  holds if  $P$  has a prefix  $p(x)$  or  $\overline{p}v$  which is not underneath another prefix or in a **case** construct, and not in the scope of a restriction on  $p$ . For example, if  $P = (\nu r : T) (\overline{r}v . | p(x) . q(y))$ , then  $P \downarrow_p$ , but not  $P \downarrow_r$ , or  $P \downarrow_q$ . We write  $P \downarrow$  if there is  $p$  s.t.  $P \downarrow_p$ . We write  $P \longrightarrow_a P'$  if  $P \longrightarrow P'$  is the only reduction that  $P$  can perform; i.e.,  $P \longrightarrow P''$  implies  $P' \equiv P''$ , and there is no  $p$  s.t.  $P \downarrow_p$ . That is, in any context  $P \longrightarrow P'$  is necessarily the first action which  $P$  can participate in. We write  $\longrightarrow^*$  and  $\longrightarrow_a^*$  for the reflexive and transitive closures of  $\longrightarrow$  and  $\longrightarrow_a$ , respectively. Finally, we write  $P \Downarrow_p$  if there is  $P'$  s.t.  $P \longrightarrow^* P' \downarrow_p$ , and  $P \Downarrow$  if there is  $p$  s.t.  $P \Downarrow_p$ .



## 6 Subtyping

Subtyping judgements are of the form  $\Sigma \vdash S \leq T$ , where  $\Sigma$  represents the subtyping assumptions. We often write  $S \leq T$  when the subtyping assumptions are empty. The subtyping rule for variant is standard. The remaining rules follow [PS93]. We recall from [PS93] that type annotation  $r$  (an input capability) gives covariance,  $w$  (an output capability) gives contravariance, and  $b$  (both capabilities) gives invariance. Moreover, since a tag  $b$  gives more freedom in the use of a name, for each type  $T$  we have  $T^b \leq T^r$  and  $T^b \leq T^w$ .

### Subtyping assumptions

$$\Sigma ::= \emptyset \quad | \quad \Sigma, S \leq T$$

### Subtyping rules

$$\frac{\Sigma \vdash S \leq T \quad \Sigma \vdash T \leq S}{\Sigma \vdash S^b \leq T^b} \quad (\text{A-BB})$$

$$\frac{I \in \{b, r\} \quad \Sigma \vdash S \leq T}{\Sigma \vdash S^I \leq T^r} \quad (\text{A-XI})$$

$$\frac{I \in \{b, w\} \quad \Sigma \vdash T \leq S}{\Sigma \vdash S^I \leq T^w} \quad (\text{A-XO})$$

$$\frac{\Sigma \vdash S_i \leq T_i \quad i \in 1..n}{\Sigma \vdash [\ell_1.S_1.. \ell_n.S_n] \leq [\ell_1.T_1.. \ell_{n+m}.T_{n+m}]} \quad (\text{A-CASE})$$

$$\Sigma, S \leq T, \Sigma' \vdash S \leq T \quad (\text{A-ASS})$$

$$\frac{\Sigma, \mu X. S \leq T \vdash S\{\mu X. S/X\} \leq T}{\Sigma \vdash \mu X. S \leq T} \quad (\text{A-REC-L})$$

$$\frac{\Sigma, S \leq \mu X. T \vdash S \leq T\{\mu X. T/X\}}{\Sigma \vdash S \leq \mu X. T} \quad (\text{A-REC-R})$$

### 6.1 Properties of subtyping

The proofs of the results below are similar to analogous results in [PS93], and exploit a notion of tree simulation between unfolded types, along the lines of that introduced by Amadio and Cardelli on  $\lambda$ -calculus with subtyping and recursive types [AC93].

**Proposition 6.1** *The relation  $\leq$  is transitive.*

**Lemma 6.2** *If  $S \leq U^r$  and  $S \leq T^w$ , then  $T \leq U$ .*

**Lemma 6.3**  $\Sigma \vdash S \leq T$  implies  $\Sigma, \Sigma' \vdash S \leq T$  for any  $\Sigma'$ .

**Proof:** By inspection of the rules. □

**Lemma 6.4** 1. Suppose  $\mu X. S \leq T$  and  $\mu X. S \leq T \notin \Sigma$ . Then

$$\Sigma, \mu X. S \leq T \vdash U_1 \leq U_2 \text{ implies } \Sigma \vdash U_1 \leq U_2.$$

2. Suppose  $S \leq \mu X. T$  and  $S \leq \mu X. T \notin \Sigma$ . Then

$$\Sigma, S \leq \mu X. T \vdash U_1 \leq U_2 \text{ implies } \Sigma \vdash U_1 \leq U_2.$$

**Corollary 6.5**  $\mu X. S \leq S\{\mu X. S/X\} \leq \mu X. S$

## 7 Typing

A *type environment* is a finite assignment of types to names. We follow the same convention of type environments for OC, and therefore write  $\Gamma(x)$  for the type assigned to  $x$  in  $\Gamma$ .

### Type Environments

$$\Delta, \Gamma ::= \emptyset \quad | \quad \Gamma, p : T$$

A typing judgement  $\Gamma \vdash P$  asserts that process  $P$  is well-typed in  $\Gamma$ , and  $\Gamma \vdash v : T$  that value  $v$  has type  $T$  in  $\Gamma$ . There is one typing rule for each process construct except **wrong**. The interesting rules are those for input and output prefixes and for **case**. In the rules for input and output prefixes, the subject of the prefix is checked to possess the appropriate input or output capability in the type environment. TV-SUB is the only rule which explicitly uses subtyping.  $\text{Pr}_\Gamma$  is the class of processes well-typed in  $\Gamma$ .

## Process typing

$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \mathbf{0}}$	(T-NIL)
$\frac{\Gamma \vdash P \quad \Gamma \vdash Q}{\Gamma \vdash P \mid Q}$	(T-PAR)
$\frac{\Gamma \vdash P}{\Gamma \vdash !P}$	(T-REPL)
$\frac{\Gamma, x : S^I \vdash P}{\Gamma \vdash (\nu x : S^I) P}$	(T-RESTR)
$\frac{\Gamma \vdash p : S^r \quad \Gamma, x : S \vdash P}{\Gamma \vdash p(x) . P}$	(T-IN)
$\frac{\Gamma \vdash p : S^w \quad \Gamma \vdash w : S \quad \Gamma \vdash P}{\Gamma \vdash \bar{p}w . P}$	(T-OUT)
$\frac{\Gamma \vdash v : [\ell_1 T_1 . \ell_n T_n] \quad \text{for each } i, \Gamma, x_i : T_i \vdash P_i}{\Gamma \vdash \text{case } v \text{ of } [\ell_1 (x_1) \triangleright P_1 ; \dots ; \ell_n (x_n) \triangleright P_n]}$	(T-CASE)

## Value typing

$\frac{\Gamma(p) = T}{\Gamma \vdash p : T}$	(TV-BASE)
$\frac{\Gamma \vdash v : S \quad S \leq T}{\Gamma \vdash v : T}$	(TV-SUB)
$\frac{\Gamma \vdash v : T}{\Gamma \vdash \ell v : [\ell T]}$	(TV-VAR)

## 8 Properties of the typing system

We establish some basic fundamental properties of the typing relation, including weakening, contraction, substitution and narrowing. We also show that the type relation is sound w.r.t. the reduction relation of the calculus: Typing is preserved under reductions and a well-typed program can never originate a run-time error.

**Lemma 8.1 (Weakening)** *If  $\Gamma \vdash P$  then  $\Gamma, x : S \vdash P$  for any type  $S$  and any name  $x$  on which  $\Gamma$  is not defined.*

**Lemma 8.2 (Contraction)** *If  $\Gamma, x : S \vdash P$  and  $x$  is not free in  $P$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash P$ .*

**Lemma 8.3 (Substitution)** *Suppose*

- $\Gamma \vdash P$ ,
- $\Gamma(x) = T$
- $\Gamma \vdash v : T$ .

*Then  $\Gamma \vdash P\{v/x\}$ .*

**Lemma 8.4** *If  $\Gamma \vdash P$  and  $P \equiv P'$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash P'$ .*

**Lemma 8.5** *If  $\Gamma \vdash P$  then  $P \neq \text{wrong}$ .*

**Theorem 8.6 (subject reduction)** *If  $\Gamma \vdash P$  and  $P \longrightarrow P'$  then  $\Gamma \vdash P'$ .*

**Proof:** (Sketch) By induction on the depth of the proof of  $P \longrightarrow P'$ . For the cases of R-COMM and R-CASE, Lemma 8.3 is needed. For the case of R-EQV, Lemma 8.4 is needed.  $\square$

**Corollary 8.7 (no run-time errors)** *If  $\Gamma \vdash P$  and  $P \longrightarrow^* P'$  then  $P' \neq \text{wrong}$ .*

**Proof:** Follows from Theorem 8.6 and Lemmas 8.4 and 8.5.  $\square$

**Lemma 8.8 (narrowing on values)** *If  $\Gamma, p : S \vdash w : U$  and  $T \leq S$  then also  $\Gamma, p : T \vdash w : U$ .*

**Proof:** Use definition of typing on values.  $\square$

**Theorem 8.9 (narrowing on processes)** *If  $\Gamma, p : S \vdash P$  and  $T \leq S$ , then also  $\Gamma, p : T \vdash P$ .*

**Proof:** (Sketch) Structural induction on  $P$ . For output and input prefixes, and for **case**, use Lemma 8.8.  $\square$

**Lemma 8.10** *If  $\Gamma \vdash p(x).P \mid \bar{p}v.Q$ , then  $\Gamma(p) = T^b$ , for some  $T$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash v : T$  and  $\Gamma, x : T \vdash P$ .*

**Lemma 8.11** *If  $\Gamma \vdash \bar{p}x.P$  and  $\Gamma(p) = T^w$ , then  $\Gamma(x) \leq T$ .*

**Lemma 8.12** *If  $\Gamma, p : T^b \vdash p(y).P$ , then  $\Gamma, p : T^b, y : T \vdash P$ .*

## 9 Barbed bisimulation and congruence

We define behavioural equality using the notion of barbed bisimulation [MS92]. The main advantage of barbed bisimulation is that it can be defined uniformly on different calculi, which is useful when studying a new calculus or a refinement of an existing one as we are doing here. Moreover, as a bisimulation, barbed bisimulation comes equipped with the co-induction proof technique.

The definition of barbed bisimulation uses the reduction relation of the calculus along with the observation predicate  $\downarrow_p$  (Section 5), for each port  $p$ . By itself, barbed bisimulation is a rather coarse relation. Better discriminating power is achieved by considering the induced congruence, called *barbed congruence*. It can be shown [San92] that barbed congruence coincides in both CCS and the  $\pi$ -calculus with the standard bisimilarity congruences.

In a typed calculus, the processes being compared must obey the same typing and the contexts employed must be compatible with this typing. We call a  $(\Gamma/\Delta)$ -context a context which, when filled in with a processes obeying typing  $\Delta$ , becomes a process obeying typing  $\Gamma$ . Typing  $\Gamma$  might contain names not in  $\Delta$ ; the converse might be true too, because of binders in the context which embrace the hole.

First, a few technical definitions and lemmas.

**Definition 9.1** *We write  $\Gamma <_{\mathbf{E}} \Delta$  if, for each  $x$  on which  $\Delta$  is defined, also  $\Gamma$  is defined and  $\Gamma(x) \leq \Delta(x)$ .*

**Definition 9.2** *A substitution  $\sigma$  is legal in a type environment  $\Gamma$  if for all  $x$  on which  $\Gamma$  is defined, it holds that  $\Gamma \vdash x\sigma : \Gamma(x)$ .*

**Lemma 9.3** *If  $\Gamma <_{\mathbf{E}} \Delta$ ,  $\sigma$  is legal for  $\Gamma$  and  $\Delta \vdash R$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash R\sigma$ .*

**Proof:** By narrowing and substitution lemmas. □

**Lemma 9.4** *If  $\Gamma \vdash v : T$  and  $\sigma$  is legal for  $\Gamma$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash v\sigma : T$ .*

**Proof:** Induction on the depth of the proof of  $\Gamma \vdash v : T$ . □

**Definition 9.5 (( $\Gamma/\Delta$ )-context)** *Given type environments  $\Gamma$  and  $\Delta$  and a process context  $C$ , we say that  $C$  is a  $(\Gamma/\Delta)$ -context if  $\Gamma \vdash C$  assuming the following typing rule for the hole  $[\cdot]$  of  $C$ :*

$$\frac{\Gamma' <_{\mathbf{E}} \Delta}{\Gamma' \vdash [\cdot]}$$

*(where  $\Delta$  is one of the given type environments and  $\Gamma'$  is a metavariable over type environments).*

**Lemma 9.6** *If  $C$  is a  $(\Gamma/\Delta)$ -context and  $\Gamma' <_{\mathbf{E}} \Gamma$  then  $C$  is a  $(\Gamma'/\Delta)$ -context.*

**Proof:** Induction on the structure of  $C$  and narrowing. □

**Definition 9.7 (barbed bisimulation)** A relation  $\mathcal{R} \subseteq \text{Pr}_\Delta \times \text{Pr}_\Delta$  is a barbed  $\Delta$ -bisimulation if  $(P, Q) \in \mathcal{R}$  implies:

1. if  $P \longrightarrow P'$  then there exists  $Q'$  such that  $Q \longrightarrow Q'$  and  $(P', Q') \in \mathcal{R}$ ;
2. if  $Q \longrightarrow Q'$  then there exists  $P'$  such that  $P \longrightarrow P'$  and  $(P', Q') \in \mathcal{R}$ ;
3. for each name  $p$ ,  $P \downarrow_p$  iff  $Q \downarrow_p$ .

Two processes  $P$  and  $Q$  are barbed  $\Delta$ -bisimilar, written  $P \dot{\sim}_\Delta Q$ , if  $(P, Q) \in \mathcal{R}$ , for some barbed  $\Delta$ -bisimulation  $\mathcal{R}$ .

**Definition 9.8 (barbed congruence)** Two processes  $P, Q \in \text{Pr}_\Delta$  are barbed  $\Delta$ -congruent, written  $P \sim_\Delta Q$ , if, for each type environment  $\Gamma$  and  $(\Gamma/\Delta)$ -context  $C$ , we have  $C[P] \dot{\sim}_\Gamma C[Q]$ .

In the remainder of the paper, we write  $P \sim_\Gamma Q$  without recalling the assumption that  $P$  and  $Q$  are well-typed in  $\Gamma$ .

Barbed bisimulation requires a quantification over all contexts. The Context Lemma below shows how to lighten this requirement: It is enough to test processes using parallel composition and legal substitutions.

**Definition 9.9** Two processes  $P, Q \in \text{Pr}_\Delta$  are barbed  $\Delta$ -equivalent, written  $P \sim_\Delta^\circ Q$ , if for each environment  $\Gamma$ , substitution  $\sigma$ , and process  $Q \in \text{Pr}_\Gamma$  such that

1.  $\Gamma <_{\text{E}} \Delta$ ,
2.  $\sigma$  is legal in  $\Gamma$ ,

it holds that  $Q \mid P_1 \sigma \dot{\sim}_\Gamma Q \mid P_2 \sigma$ .

**Lemma 9.10** If  $P \sim_\Delta^\circ Q$  and  $\Gamma <_{\text{E}} \Delta$ , then  $P \sim_\Gamma^\circ Q$ .

**Lemma 9.11** If  $P \sim_\Delta^\circ Q$  and  $S \leq \Delta(p)$ , then  $(\nu p : S)P \sim_{\Delta-p}^\circ (\nu p : S)Q$ .

**Lemma 9.12 (Context Lemma for barbed congruence)** Relations  $\sim_\Delta^\circ$  and  $\sim_\Delta$  coincide.

**Proof:** One proves, by induction on the structure of  $C$ , that:

$$P \sim_\Delta^\circ Q \quad \text{implies} \quad C[P] \sim_\Gamma^\circ C[Q]$$

for all  $(\Gamma/\Delta)$ -context  $C$ . The basic case, and the cases of restriction and parallel composition, are immediate using Lemma 9.10 and Lemma 9.11. For the remaining cases one defines appropriate bisimulations.  $\square$

The weak version of the equivalences, where one abstracts away from the length of reductions, is obtained in the standard way. *Weak barbed  $\Delta$ -bisimulation*, written  $\dot{\sim}_\Delta$ , is defined by replacing in Definition 9.7 the transition  $Q \longrightarrow Q'$  with  $Q \longrightarrow^* Q'$  and the predicate  $\downarrow_p$  with  $\downarrow_p$ . Similarly, *weak barbed  $\Delta$ -congruence*, written  $\approx_\Delta$ , and *weak barbed  $\Delta$ -equivalence* are defined by replacing  $\dot{\sim}_\Gamma$  with  $\dot{\sim}_\Gamma$  in Definition 9.8 and 9.9. The counterpart of Lemma 9.12 for the weak case is true.

## 10 Some useful algebraic laws

We report some laws for barbed congruence. Some of the laws crucially rely on the type information, like law **L3** of Lemma 10.2 and the replication theorems 10.5 and 10.6. They show the importance of types for reasoning on processes. We recall that when we write a typed equality like  $P \sim_{\Gamma} Q$  we assume that  $P$  and  $Q$  are well-typed in  $\Gamma$ .

**Lemma 10.1** *If  $P \equiv Q$  then  $P \sim_{\Gamma} Q$ .*

**Lemma 10.2 L1**  $(\nu r : T) (\bar{p}r \mid !r(x).R) \sim_{\Gamma} (\nu r : T) (\bar{p}r . !r(x).R)$ .

**L2**  $(\nu r_1 : T_1 . r_n : T_n) (P \mid !r_1(x).R_1 \mid \dots \mid !r_n(x).R_n) \sim_{\Gamma} P$ , if  $r_1 . r_n$  are not free in  $P$ .

**L3** *case  $v$  of  $[\ell_{j \in 1..n} \ell_j - (y_j) \triangleright P_j] \sim_{\Gamma}$  case  $v$  of  $[\ell_{j \in 1..n+m} \ell_j - (y_j) \triangleright P_j]$ .*

**L4**  $(\nu x : T) P \sim_{\Gamma} (\nu x : S) P$ .

**L5**  $(\nu r : T) (\alpha . P \mid !r(x).Q) \sim_{\Gamma} \alpha . (\nu r : T) (P \mid !r(x).Q)$ , if  $r$  does not appear in  $\alpha$  and any name bound in  $\alpha$  does not appear free in  $r(x).Q$ .

**Proof:** For law **L3**: for both processes to be well-typed in  $\Gamma$  it must be  $\Gamma \vdash v : [\ell_{j \in 1..n} \ell_j - T_j]$ , for some type  $T_j$ 's. Now, consider a substitution which is legal for  $\Gamma$ . By Lemma 9.4,  $\Gamma \vdash v\sigma : [\ell_{j \in 1..n} \ell_j - T_j]$ . The only closed values of type  $[\ell_{j \in 1..n} \ell_j - T_j]$  have the form  $\ell_j - v_j$  ( $j \in 1..n$ ). Then the thesis follows from the reduction relation of **case** and the Context Lemma 9.12.  $\square$

Law **L3** shows that in a case construct we can always add (well-typed) branches.

Next, we report some distributivity laws for private replications, i.e., systems of the form

$$(\nu p : T) (P \mid !p(x).R)$$

in which process  $P$  possesses only the output capability on name  $p$ . One should think of  $R$  as a private resource of  $P$ , for  $P$  is the only process who can access  $R$ ; indeed  $P$  can activate as many copies of  $R$  as needed.

We have omitted the proofs of Lemma 10.3 and 10.4, which are not immediate but along the lines of the proofs of similar results in [San92] and [PS93].

**Lemma 10.3** *Suppose that*

- $\Gamma \vdash Q \mid (\nu m : T^b) (P_1 \mid P_2 \mid !m(x).R)$ ,
- $\Gamma, m : T^w \vdash P_1 \mid P_2$ ,
- $\Gamma, m : T^w, x : T \vdash R$ ,
- $m : T^b \not\vdash \bar{m}m . \mathbf{0}$ .

*Then  $Q \mid (\nu m : T^b) (P_1 \mid P_2 \mid !m(x).R) \dot{\sim}_{\Gamma}$   
 $Q \mid (\nu m : T^b) (P_1 \mid !m(x).R) \mid (\nu m : T^b) (P_2 \mid !m(x).R)$ .*

**Lemma 10.4** *Suppose that*

- $\Gamma \vdash Q \mid (\nu m : T^b) (!P \mid !m(x) . R) ,$
- $\Gamma, m : T^w \vdash P ,$
- $\Gamma, m : T^w, x : T \vdash R ,$
- $m : T^b \not\vdash \bar{m} m . \mathbf{0} .$

*Then*  $Q \mid (\nu m : T^b) (!P \mid !m(x) . R) \dot{\sim}_\Gamma Q \mid !((\nu m : T^b) (P \mid !m(x) . R)) .$

**Theorem 10.5 (distribution of a private replication over parallel composition)** *Suppose that*

- $\Gamma \vdash (\nu m : T^b) (P_1 \mid P_2 \mid !m(x) . R) ,$
- $\Gamma, m : T^w \vdash P_1 \mid P_2 ,$
- $\Gamma, m : T^w, x : T \vdash R ,$
- $m : T^b \not\vdash \bar{m} m . \mathbf{0} .$

*Then*  $(\nu m : T^b) (P_1 \mid P_2 \mid !m(x) . R) \sim_\Gamma (\nu m : T^b) (P_1 \mid !m(x) . R) \mid (\nu m : T^b) (P_2 \mid !m(x) . R)$

**Proof:** By Lemma 10.3 and the Context Lemma 9.12. □

**Theorem 10.6 (distribution of a private replication over replication)** *Suppose that*

- $\Gamma \vdash (\nu m : T^b) (!P \mid !m(x) . R) ,$
- $\Gamma, m : T^w \vdash P ,$
- $\Gamma, m : T^w, x : T \vdash R ,$
- $m : T^b \not\vdash \bar{m} m . \mathbf{0} .$

*Then*  $(\nu m : T^b) (!P \mid !m(x) . R) \sim_\Gamma !((\nu m : T^b) (P \mid !m(x) . R)) .$

**Proof:** By Lemma 10.4 and the Context Lemma 9.12. □

## 11 Derived process and type expressions

The following expressions can be coded up in the basic calculus:

1. Process definitions. A defining equation has the form

$$K \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (x_1 : T_1 . x_n : T_n) P ,$$

where  $K$  belongs to some new alphabet of process identifiers, and can be thought of as a procedure declaration with formal parameters  $x_1 . x_n$ ; to use the definition with actual parameters  $p_1 . p_n$  we write  $K \langle p_1 . p_n \rangle$ . For our purposes it suffices to assume that the parameters of constant definitions are names.



2. Binary inputs, like  $p(x_1, x_2) . P$ , and outputs, like  $\bar{p}\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle . P$  and  $\bar{p}\ell\text{-upd}\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle . P$ .
3. Variant inputs like  $p\left[\prod_{j \in 1..n} \ell_j\text{-}\left[\prod_{i \in 1..m} \ell_{i,j}\text{-}(\widetilde{x}_{i,j}) \triangleright P_{i,j}\right]\right]$ , where  $\widetilde{x}_{i,j}$  can be a single name or a pair of names. This abbreviation allows us to go down two levels into the structure of a variant value received in an input at  $p$ ; in fact, this term interacts with output particles of the form  $\bar{p}\ell_r\ell_{s,r}\widetilde{w}$  (with  $r \in 1..n$ ,  $s \in 1..m$ , and tuple  $\widetilde{w}$  of the same length as  $\widetilde{x}_{r,s}$ ) and, in doing so, it reduces to  $P_{r,s}\{\widetilde{w}/\widetilde{x}_{r,s}\}$ .

Each of these derived constructs has an associated derived typing rule, of the expected shape. The reader who wants to see the “macro expansions” of these expressions, and the associated derived rules for typing, subtyping and reduction can find them below; otherwise the reader may safely move to Section 12.

### Abbreviations for the case construct

- An expression  $z\left[\ell_1\text{-}(y_1) \triangleright P_1 . \ell_n\text{-}(y_n) \triangleright P_n\right]$  expands to

$$z(x) . \text{case } x \text{ of } [\ell_1\text{-}(y_1) \triangleright P_1 ; \dots ; \ell_n\text{-}(y_n) \triangleright P_n]$$

with  $x$  not free in  $P_1 . \dots . P_n$ .

- An expression  $\ell\text{-}[\ell_1\text{-}(y_1) \triangleright P_1 ; \dots ; \ell_n\text{-}(y_n) \triangleright P_n]$  expands to

$$\ell\text{-}(x) \triangleright \left(\text{case } x \text{ of } [\ell_1\text{-}(y_1) \triangleright P_1 ; \dots ; \ell_n\text{-}(y_n) \triangleright P_n]\right)$$

with  $x$  not free in  $P_1 . \dots . P_n$ .

### Passing of pairs

We shall need communication of pairs of values, of the form

$$\bar{p}\tilde{h}\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle \tag{1}$$

where  $\tilde{h}$  represents a sequence of variant tags, like  $h_1 . \dots . h_n$ . Symmetrically, and we shall need a pair destructor

$$\text{let } (x_1, x_2) = z \text{ in } P \tag{2}$$

These two expressions have the obvious meaning. We now explain how to code them. A pair type  $\langle T_1, T_2 \rangle$  is translated into the type  $[\ell_1\text{-}T_1 ; \ell_2\text{-}T_2]$  where  $\ell_1$  and  $\ell_2$  are some tags chosen by convention. (Note that this translation schema does not justify the subtyping rule for tuples, because it does not force the same length of tuples. However, this can easily be accommodated by adding a dummy final component in the variant target type; for our purposes, the simple translation above will suffice because pair types will be compared with pair types only.) The encoding of (1) and (2) is this:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{p}\tilde{h}\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle . P &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\nu z : T) \bar{p}\tilde{h}\text{-}z . \bar{z}\ell_1\text{-}v_1 . \bar{z}\ell_2\text{-}v_2 . P \\ \text{let } (x_1, x_2) = z \text{ in } P &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} z\left[\ell_1\text{-}(x_1) \triangleright z[\ell_1\text{-}\star ; \ell_2\text{-}(x_2) \triangleright P] ; \ell_2\text{-}\star\right] \end{aligned}$$

where

- if  $v_1 : T_1$  and  $v_2 : T_2$  then  $T \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [\ell_1 T_1 ; \ell_2 T_2]$ ;
- $\ell_i \star$  means that the expression at  $\ell_i$  is unimportant.

In the same way, we can code polyadic communications of arbitrary length. This is similar to the encoding of the polyadic  $\pi$ -calculus into the monadic one [Mil91]. Having variants, allows us to have the translation correct on types (in the encoding in [Mil91] type information is lost).

### Abbreviations for the let construct

1. An expression  $p(x_1, x_2) . P$  expands to  $p(y) . \text{let } (x_1, x_2) = y \text{ in } P$ , with  $y$  not free in  $P$ .
2. An expression  $\ell_-(u_1, u_2) \triangleright P$  expands to  $\ell_-(y) \triangleright (\text{let } (u_1, u_2) = y \text{ in } P)$ , with  $y$  not free in  $P$ .

### Recursion

Recursive definitions can be defined in terms of replication in the usual way (see Milner [Mil91]).

### Derived rules for typing, subtyping and reduction

We are now ready to show the derived typing and reduction rules for the process constructs introduced at the beginning of this section and the derived subtyping rule for the type construct of pairing. The derived subtyping rule is

$$\frac{\Sigma \vdash S_1 \leq T_1 \quad \Sigma \vdash S_2 \leq T_2}{\Sigma \vdash \langle S_1, S_2 \rangle \leq \langle T_1, T_2 \rangle} \quad (\text{A-PAIR})$$

Now the derived typing rules. In rule T-INPCASE below, if  $\tilde{x}$  is a single name, say  $x$ , then  $\tilde{x} : T$  means  $x : T$ . If  $\tilde{x}$  is a pair of names, say  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ , then  $\tilde{x} : T$  means that  $T$  is a pair type  $\langle T_1, T_2 \rangle$  and that  $x_1 : T_1, x_2 : T_2$ .

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash v_1 : T_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash v_2 : T_2}{\Gamma \vdash \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle : \langle T_1, T_2 \rangle} \quad (\text{TV-PAIR})$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash p : \langle T_1, T_2 \rangle \quad \Gamma, x_1 : T_1, x_2 : T_2 \vdash P}{\Gamma \vdash p(x_1, x_2) . P} \quad (\text{T-INPPAIR})$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash p : [\ell_{j \in 1..n} \ell_{j-[\ell_{i \in 1..m} \ell_{i,j} T_{i,j}]] \quad \text{for each } i \text{ and } j, \Gamma, \widetilde{x_{i,j}} : T_{i,j} \vdash P_{i,j}}{\Gamma \vdash p[\ell_{j \in 1..n} \ell_{j-[\ell_{i \in 1..m} \ell_{i,j} (\widetilde{x_{i,j}}) \triangleright P_{i,j}]]} \quad (\text{T-INPCASE})$$

$$\frac{\text{for each } i, \Gamma \vdash p_i : T_i \quad K \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (x_1 : T_1 . \dots x_n : T_n) P}{\Gamma \vdash K \langle p_1 . \dots p_n \rangle} \quad (\text{T-CONST})$$

Each constant definition must be well-typed:

**Definition 11.1** A constant  $K \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (x_1 : T_1 .. x_n : T_n)P$  is well-typed if  $x_1 : T_1 .. x_n : T_n \vdash P$  (i.e., the body of its definition is well-typed according to the information specified in its parameters).

Finally, the derived reduction rules:

$$\frac{}{\overline{p \langle q, r \rangle . P \mid p(x, y) . Q} \longrightarrow \longrightarrow_d^* P \mid Q\{q, r/x, y\}} \quad (\text{R-PAIR})$$

$$\frac{r \in 1..n \quad s \in 1..m}{\overline{\overline{p \ell_r \ell_s, r \tilde{v}} . P \mid p[\ell_{j \in 1..n} \ell_j - [\ell_{i \in 1..m} \ell_{i,j} - (\tilde{x}_{i,j}) \triangleright Q_{i,j}]]} \longrightarrow \longrightarrow_d^* P \mid Q_{s,r} \{\tilde{v}/\tilde{x}_{s,r}\}} \quad (\text{R-CC})$$

$$\frac{K \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (x_1 : T_1 .. x_n : T_n)P}{\overline{K \langle p_1 .. p_n \rangle} \longrightarrow \longrightarrow_d^* P\{p_1 .. p_n/x_1 .. x_n\}} \quad (\text{R-REC})$$

## 12 The interpretation of the typed OC

The translations of types, type environments and terms are defined structurally using the rules in the tables below. We assume that `sel` and `upd` are variant tags.

### The translation of types

$$\llbracket \{j \in 1..n \ell_j : B_j\} \rrbracket \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu X. \left[ \begin{array}{l} \ell_{j \in 1..n} \ell_j - [\text{sel} - \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} ; \\ \text{upd} - \langle X^{\text{ww}}, \langle X^{\text{w}}, \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \rangle^{\text{w}} \rangle \quad ] \quad ] \end{array} \right]$$

Only `w` tags appear in the translation of types because the translation of terms will respect the discipline that every name received in an input may be used only in output position. This, and the fact that every offer of an input is persistent, prevents non-deterministic reductions in the target processes of the translation.

The patten of occurrences of `w` tags is determined by the protocol which implements select and update operations. What is important, however, is the level of nesting of `w` tags: An even number of nesting gives covariance, whereas an odd number of nesting gives contravariance. Thus, the component  $\llbracket B_j \rrbracket$  is in covariant position on selection, and in contravariance position on update: This explains the invariance of object types on the common components, in rule `O-SUBOB` (the interpretation of OC into the  $\lambda$ -calculus [ACV96] does the same).

The location of the translation of an object of type  $A$  will actually have type  $\llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{ww}}$ ; as far as subtyping is concerned, the two outermost `w` tags are irrelevant because they cancel one another.

### The translation of type environments

$$\begin{array}{l} \llbracket \emptyset \rrbracket \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \emptyset \\ \llbracket E, x : A \rrbracket \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \llbracket E \rrbracket, x : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{w}} \end{array}$$

We can understand it as a rectification on the translation in Section 3. The main problem in that translation was the exposure of the self parameter (which, for instance, appears as an argument of select requests). To avoid this, in the new translation: (1) select and update requests do not mention the self parameter; (2) translating object values, we separate the method bodies and an object manager  $\text{OB}^A\langle s_1..s_n, x \rangle$ ; (3) object values handle both the select and the update requests (in the previous translation, an update was handled at the point where the request is made).

We explain in more details the new translation. As in the previous translation, the first action of (the translation of) an object value is to signal its valuehood by providing an access  $x$  to its value-core. This value-core is administered by process  $\text{OB}^A\langle s_1..s_n, x \rangle$ ; this “owns” the object methods, in the sense that it is the only process which can reach them, via names  $s_i$ ’s. The manager  $\text{OB}^A\langle s_1..s_n, x \rangle$  can receive a request of select or update on any method  $\ell_j$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n$ . In the former case, the request is of the form  $\bar{x}\ell_j\text{-sel}_p$ , where  $p$  is the location for the new object. Using channel  $s_j$ , the manager activates a copy of the body of method  $\ell_j$ ; in doing so, it also supplies the pointer  $x$  to itself, which represents the self parameter. Thus the communication of the self parameter occurs in an *internal* action of the object and, as such, it does not affect its typing. In the case of update at  $\ell_j$ , a request has the form  $\bar{x}\ell_j\text{-upd}_p(p, s)$  where  $p$  is the location for the new object and  $s$  a pointer to the new method body; in this case, the manager  $\text{OB}^A\langle s_1..s_n, x \rangle$  spawns off the interface for a new object, which will be located at  $p$  and will use channel  $s$ , in place of  $s_j$ , to process any request for method  $\ell_j$ . The functional nature of OC is reflected into the functional nature of the object manager  $\text{OB}^A\langle s_1..s_n, x \rangle$  — it is a replicated process, hence it handles all requests in the same way.

The translations of OC into  $\lambda$ -calculus [ACV96] and into  $\pi$ -calculus have comparable lengths: In a few places, the  $\pi$ -calculus gains by having only first-order types, in other places it suffers by the lack of term substitutions in the syntax.

As for interpretation into the  $\lambda$ -calculus, so our translation of terms has an environment  $E$  as parameter in order to put the necessary type annotations in the translation of method selection. This parameter could be avoided by having, for instance, more type information on the syntax of method selection. We assume that  $p, q, r, s \dots$  are not OC variables.

## The translation of terms

$$\begin{aligned}
\llbracket \{j \in 1..n \ \ell_j = \zeta(x_j : A). b_j\} \rrbracket_p^E &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\nu x : \llbracket A \rrbracket^b) \bar{p}x . \\
&\quad (j \in 1..n \ \nu s_j : T_{A,j}^b) \left( \text{OB}^A \langle s_1..s_n, x \rangle \mid \right. \\
&\quad \left. \prod_{j \in 1..n} !s_j(x_j, r_j) . \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j}^{E, x_j : A} \right) \\
\llbracket a. \ell_j \rrbracket_p^E &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\nu q : \llbracket \{ \ell_j : B_j \} \rrbracket^{\text{wb}}) (\llbracket a \rrbracket_q^E \mid q(x) . \bar{x} \ell_j \text{-sel-}p) \\
\llbracket a. \ell_j \Leftarrow \zeta(x_j : A). b \rrbracket_p^E &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \\
&\quad (\nu q : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{wb}}) \left( \llbracket a \rrbracket_q^E \mid q(x) . (\nu s : T_{A,j}^b) \bar{x} \ell_j \text{-upd-} \langle p, s \rangle . !s(x_j, r_j) . \llbracket b \rrbracket_{r_j}^{E, x_j : A} \right) \\
\llbracket x \rrbracket_p^E &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bar{p}x
\end{aligned}$$

where the process identifier  $\text{OB}^A$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{OB}^A &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (s_1 : T_{A,1}^w .. s_n : T_{A,n}^w, x : \llbracket A \rrbracket^b) \\
&\quad !x \left[ \begin{array}{l} \ell_j \text{-} [ \text{sel-}(r_j) \triangleright \bar{s}_j \langle x, r_j \rangle ; \\ \text{upd-}(r, s) \triangleright (\nu x_{\text{new}} : \llbracket A \rrbracket^b) \\ \bar{x} x_{\text{new}} . \text{OB}^A \langle s_1..s_{j-1}, s, s_{j+1}..s_n, x_{\text{new}} \rangle ] \end{array} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

and where

- $A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{j \in 1..n \ \ell_j : B_j\}$ ;
- $T_{A,j} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^w, \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \rangle$ ;
- in the encoding of selection,  $B_j$  is the unique type s.t.  $E \vdash a : [\dots, \ell_j : B_j, \dots]$  holds, if one such judgement exists (the unicity of this type is a consequence of the minimum-type property of OC),  $B_j$  can be any type otherwise;
- in the rule for value,  $x$  is not free in  $b_1..b_n$ ; in the rule for update,  $x$  is not free in  $b$ .

For using the translation, it is useful to define the following abbreviation, for a value  $a \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{j \in 1..n \ \ell_j = \zeta(x_j : A). b_j\}$ :

$$\llbracket x := a \rrbracket_p^E \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (j \in 1..n \ \nu s_j : T_{A,j}^b) \left( \text{OB}^A \langle s_1..s_n, x \rangle \mid \prod_{j \in 1..n} !s_j(x_j, r_j) . \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j}^{E, x_j : A} \right).$$

Then

$$\llbracket a \rrbracket_p^E = (\nu x : \llbracket A \rrbracket^b) \bar{p}x . \llbracket x := a \rrbracket_p^E.$$

Omitting type information, if  $i \in 1..n$ , a select operation  $a. \ell_i \longrightarrow b_i \{a/x_i\}$  and an update operation

$$a. \ell_i \Leftarrow \zeta(y) b \longrightarrow \{j \in \{1..n\} - \{i\} \ \ell_j = \zeta(x_j). b_j, \ell_i = \zeta(x). b\} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} a'$$

are simulated thus:

$$\llbracket a. \ell_i \rrbracket_p \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\nu q) \left( (\nu x) \bar{q}x . \llbracket x := a \rrbracket \mid q(x) . \bar{x} \ell_i \text{-sel-}p \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\longrightarrow_a (\nu x)(\llbracket x := a \rrbracket \mid \bar{x} \ell_i \text{-sel}_p) \\
&\longrightarrow_d^* (\nu x)(\llbracket x := a \rrbracket \mid \llbracket b_i \{x/x_i\} \rrbracket_p) \\
&\sim \llbracket b_i \{a/x_i\} \rrbracket_p
\end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\llbracket a. \ell_i \leftarrow \zeta(y)b \rrbracket_p &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\nu q) \left( (\nu x) \bar{q} x. \llbracket x := a \rrbracket \mid \right. \\
&\quad \left. q(x). (\nu s) \bar{x} \ell_i \text{-upd}_-(p, s) . !s(y, r) . \llbracket b \rrbracket_r \right) \\
&\longrightarrow_a (\nu x, s)(\llbracket x := a \rrbracket \mid \bar{x} \ell_i \text{-upd}_-(p, s) . !s(y, r) . \llbracket b \rrbracket_r) \\
&\longrightarrow_d^* (\nu x, s)_{(j \in 1..n} \nu s_j) \\
&\quad \left( \text{OB} \langle s_1..s_n, x \rangle \mid \prod_{j \in 1..n} !s_j(x_j, r_j) . \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j} \right. \\
&\quad \mid (\nu x_{\text{new}}) \bar{p} x_{\text{new}} . \text{OB} \langle s_1..s_{j-1}, s, s_{j+1}..s_n, x_{\text{new}} \rangle \\
&\quad \left. \mid !s(y, r) . \llbracket b \rrbracket_r \right) \\
&\sim (\nu s)_{(j \in \{1..n\} - \{i\}} \nu s_j) \\
&\quad \left( \prod_{j \in \{1..n\} - \{i\}} !s_j(x_j, r_j) . \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j} \mid !s(y, r) . \llbracket b \rrbracket_r \right. \\
&\quad \left. \mid (\nu x_{\text{new}}) \bar{p} x_{\text{new}} . \text{OB} \langle s_1..s_{j-1}, s, s_{j+1}..s_n, x_{\text{new}} \rangle \right) \\
&\equiv (\nu x_{\text{new}}) \bar{p} x_{\text{new}} . \llbracket x_{\text{new}} := a' \rrbracket \\
&= \llbracket a' \rrbracket
\end{aligned}$$

Above,  $\sim$  stands for strong barbed congruence. All appearances of  $\sim$  except (3) represent garbage collection steps where deadlocked processes and restrictions binding nothing are removed. Equality (3) is proved in Lemma 14.1 and uses the algebraic laws of Section 10, in particular the distribution theorems for private replications.

### 13 Type correctness

In this section, we establish the correctness of the translation at the level of types: The translation validates the typing and subtyping rules of OC.

**Lemma 13.1** *If  $A \leq B$  and  $x : B \vdash a : B_j$ , then  $\llbracket a \rrbracket_p^{x:B} = \llbracket a \rrbracket_p^{x:A}$ .*

**Lemma 13.2** *If  $E \vdash a : A$  and  $x$  does not appear in  $E$ , then for all  $B$  we have  $\llbracket a \rrbracket_p^E = \llbracket a \rrbracket_p^{E, x:B}$ .*

**Theorem 13.3 (correctness for subtyping)** *For all  $A, B$ , it holds that  $A \leq B$  iff  $\llbracket A \rrbracket^w \leq \llbracket B \rrbracket^w$ .*

**Proof:** By hypothesis  $A \leq B$  hence by rule O-SUBOB, it must be

$$A = \{j \in 1..n+m \ell_j : B_j\} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \{j \in 1..n \ell_j : B_j\}.$$

By rule A-XO, proving  $\emptyset \vdash \llbracket A \rrbracket^w \leq \llbracket B \rrbracket^w$  reduces to proving  $\emptyset \vdash \llbracket B \rrbracket \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket$  and then, by the rules for recursive types, it reduces to proving

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket B \rrbracket \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket \vdash & \left[ \begin{array}{l} \ell_j\text{-}[\text{sel-}\llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{ww}; \\ \text{upd-}\langle \llbracket B \rrbracket^{ww}, \langle \llbracket B \rrbracket^w, \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{ww} \rangle^w \rangle \end{array} \right] \\ & \leq \\ & \left[ \begin{array}{l} \ell_j\text{-}[\text{sel-}\llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{ww}; \\ \text{upd-}\langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^{ww}, \langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^w, \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{ww} \rangle^w \rangle \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

This, by rule A-CASE, gives rise to the following goals, for  $j \in 1..n$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket B \rrbracket \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket \vdash & \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{ww} \leq \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{ww} \\ \llbracket B \rrbracket \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket \vdash & \langle \llbracket B \rrbracket^{ww}, \langle \llbracket B \rrbracket^w, \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{ww} \rangle^w \rangle \leq \langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^{ww}, \langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^w, \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{ww} \rangle^w \rangle \end{aligned}$$

The first of these goals is validated by reflexivity. The second goal, by rule A-PAIR and A-XO, gives rise to the subgoals:

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket B \rrbracket \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket \vdash & \llbracket B \rrbracket^{ww} \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket^{ww} \\ \llbracket B \rrbracket \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket \vdash & \llbracket A \rrbracket^w \leq \llbracket B \rrbracket^w \\ \llbracket B \rrbracket \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket \vdash & \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{ww} \leq \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{ww} \end{aligned}$$

which are simple to validate.

Now the opposite implication. We suppose  $\emptyset \vdash \llbracket A \rrbracket^w \leq \llbracket B \rrbracket^w$  and prove  $A \leq B$  by induction on the (sum of the) lengths of  $A$  and  $B$ . Assume

$$A = \{_{j \in 1..m} \ell_j : A_j\} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \{_{j \in 1..n} h_j : B_j\}.$$

Then, if

$$S_{A,j} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{sel-}\llbracket A_j \rrbracket^{ww}; \\ \text{upd-}\langle X^{ww}, \langle X^w, \llbracket A_j \rrbracket^{ww} \rangle^w \rangle \end{array} \right]$$

and

$$S_{B,j} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{sel-}\llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{ww}; \\ \text{upd-}\langle X^{ww}, \langle X^w, \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{ww} \rangle^w \rangle \end{array} \right]$$

we have

$$\llbracket A \rrbracket = \mu X. \left[ \ell_j\text{-}S_{A,j} \right]$$

and

$$\llbracket B \rrbracket = \mu X. \left[ h_j\text{-}S_{B,j} \right]$$

When started with the goal  $\emptyset \vdash \llbracket A \rrbracket^w \leq \llbracket B \rrbracket^w$ , the subtyping rules generate the goal  $\emptyset \vdash \llbracket B \rrbracket \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket$ , and then (omitting pairs equivalent to  $\llbracket B \rrbracket \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket$  in the assumption) the goal:

$$\llbracket B \rrbracket \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket \vdash \left[ \ell_j\text{-}h_j\text{-}\left( S_{B,j}\{ \llbracket B \rrbracket / X \} \right) \right] \leq \left[ \ell_j\text{-}\ell_j\text{-}\left( S_{A,j}\{ \llbracket A \rrbracket / X \} \right) \right]$$

From this, by rule T-CASE, we infer

$$n \leq m \text{ and } h_j = \ell_j \quad (j \in 1..n) \tag{4}$$

and we reduce ourselves to the goals, for  $j \in 1..n$ :

$$\llbracket B \rrbracket \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket \vdash S_{B,j}\{ \llbracket B \rrbracket / X \} \leq S_{A,j}\{ \llbracket A \rrbracket / X \}$$

By T-CASE again, for each  $j$  we get the two goals

$$\llbracket B \rrbracket \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket \vdash \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \leq \llbracket A_j \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \quad (5)$$

$$\llbracket B \rrbracket \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket \vdash \langle \llbracket B \rrbracket^{\text{ww}}, \langle \llbracket B \rrbracket^{\text{w}}, \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \rangle^{\text{w}} \rangle \leq \langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{ww}}, \langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{w}}, \llbracket A_j \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \rangle^{\text{w}} \rangle \quad (6)$$

From (5), since  $\emptyset \vdash \llbracket B \rrbracket \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket$  holds, applying Lemma 6.4 we infer

$$\emptyset \vdash \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \leq \llbracket A_j \rrbracket^{\text{ww}}$$

from which we get

$$\emptyset \vdash \llbracket A_j \rrbracket^{\text{w}} \leq \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{\text{w}}$$

and then, by induction,

$$A_j \leq B_j.$$

Continuing from (6), similarly we infer

$$B_j \leq A_j$$

Summarising, we have proved that  $\llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{w}} \leq \llbracket B \rrbracket^{\text{w}}$  implies  $n \leq m$  and, for all  $j \in 1..n$ ,  $\mathbf{h}_j = \ell_j$  and  $A_j \leq B_j \leq A_j$ , that is, by Lemma 2.1,  $A_j = B_j$ . Therefore we can use rule O-SUBOB, to infer  $A \leq B$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 13.4 (completeness of the interpretation on type judgements)**

If  $E \vdash a : A$  then, for all  $p$ , it holds that  $\llbracket E \rrbracket, p : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \vdash \llbracket a \rrbracket_p^E$ .

**Proof:** By induction on the length of  $E \vdash a : A$ . We only report two cases; recall however that in the case of rule OT-OBJ one has also to check the well-typedness of the definition of  $\text{OB}^A$ .

OT-UPD The rule applied is

$$\frac{E \vdash a : A \quad E, x_i : A \vdash b : B_i \quad A = \{j \in 1..n \ \ell_j : B_j\} \quad i \in 1..n}{E \vdash a. \ell_i \leftarrow \zeta(x_i : A). b : A}$$

By induction,

$$\text{for all } r, \quad \llbracket E \rrbracket, r : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \vdash \llbracket a \rrbracket_r^E \quad (7)$$

$$\text{for all } r, \quad \llbracket E \rrbracket, x_i : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{w}}, r : \llbracket B_i \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \vdash \llbracket b \rrbracket_r^{E, x_i : A} \quad (8)$$

The thesis to prove is that

$$\llbracket E \rrbracket, p : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \vdash \left( \nu q : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{wb}} \left( \llbracket a \rrbracket_q^E \mid q(x) \cdot (\nu s : T_{A,i}^{\text{b}}) \bar{x} \ell_i \text{-upd-} \langle p, s \rangle \cdot !s(x_i, r_i) \cdot \llbracket b \rrbracket_{r_i}^{E, x_i : A} \right) \right) \quad (9)$$

where  $T_{A,i} = \langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{w}}, \llbracket B_i \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \rangle$ .

By definition of typing, weakening and narrowing, we can prove (9) from the following equations:

$$\llbracket E \rrbracket, q : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{wb}} \vdash \llbracket a \rrbracket_q^E \quad (10)$$

$$p : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{ww}}, x : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{w}}, s : \langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{w}}, \llbracket B_i \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \rangle^{\text{b}} \vdash \bar{x} \ell_i \text{-upd-} \langle p, s \rangle \quad (11)$$



$$\llbracket E \rrbracket, s : \langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^w, \llbracket B_i \rrbracket^{ww} \rangle^r \vdash s(x_i, r_i) \cdot \llbracket b \rrbracket_{r_i}^{E, x_i : A} \quad (12)$$

Now, equation (10) follows from (7) and narrowing; (12) follows from

$$\llbracket E \rrbracket, x_i : \llbracket A \rrbracket^w, r_i : \llbracket B_i \rrbracket^{ww} \vdash \llbracket b \rrbracket_{r_i}^{E, x_i : A}$$

which is true by (8). Finally, (11) follows from

$$p : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{ww}, s : \langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^w, \llbracket B_i \rrbracket^{ww} \rangle^b \vdash \ell_i\text{-upd-}\langle p, s \rangle : \llbracket A \rrbracket$$

which is inferred using subsumption from

$$p : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{ww}, s : \langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^w, \llbracket B_i \rrbracket^{ww} \rangle^b \vdash \ell_i\text{-upd-}\langle p, s \rangle : [\ell_i\text{-[upd-}\langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^{ww}, \langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^w, \llbracket B_i \rrbracket^{ww} \rangle^b \rangle]]$$

and

$$[\ell_i\text{-[upd-}\langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^{ww}, \langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^w, \llbracket B_i \rrbracket^{ww} \rangle^b \rangle]] \leq [\ell_i\text{-[upd-}\langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^{ww}, \langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^w, \llbracket B_i \rrbracket^{ww} \rangle^w \rangle]] \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket$$

exploiting the definitions of  $A$  and of  $\llbracket A \rrbracket$  and the rules of typing for values (including TV-SUB), Corollary 6.5 and transitivity of  $\leq$ .

OT-SUBS The rule applied is

$$\frac{E \vdash a : A \quad A \leq B}{E \vdash a : B}$$

By induction,

$$\text{for all } r, \llbracket E \rrbracket, r : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{ww} \vdash \llbracket a \rrbracket_r^E. \quad (13)$$

By Theorem 13.3,  $\llbracket A \rrbracket^w \leq \llbracket B \rrbracket^w$ , hence

$$\llbracket B \rrbracket^{ww} \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket^{ww}. \quad (14)$$

Now,

$$\llbracket E \rrbracket, p : \llbracket B \rrbracket^{ww} \vdash \llbracket a \rrbracket_p^E$$

follows from (13) and (14) by narrowing. □

**Lemma 13.5** *If  $\llbracket E \rrbracket, p : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{wb} \vdash \llbracket a \rrbracket_p^E$ , then also  $\llbracket E \rrbracket, p : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{ww} \vdash \llbracket a \rrbracket_p^E$ .*

**Proof:** Easy case inspection on the definition of the encoding. □

**Theorem 13.6 (soundness of the translation on type judgements)**

*If  $\llbracket E \rrbracket, p : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{ww} \vdash \llbracket a \rrbracket_p^E$ , then  $E \vdash a : A$ .*

**Proof:** By induction on the structure of  $a$ . First, suppose  $a$  is a variable  $x$ . By hypothesis

$$\llbracket E \rrbracket, p : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{ww} \vdash \overline{p}x$$

hence  $x$  must appear in  $E$ . This means that, for some  $B$ ,  $\llbracket E \rrbracket(x) = \llbracket B \rrbracket^w$ . By Lemma 8.11,  $\llbracket B \rrbracket^w \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket^w$ ; hence by Theorem 13.3,  $B \leq A$ . Therefore  $E \vdash x : A$  is derivable, using the rules for variables and subsumption.

Suppose  $a$  is a value, say  $\{_{j \in 1..n} \ell_j = \zeta(x_j : B). b_j\}$ , with  $B = \{_{j \in 1..n} \ell_j : B_j\}$ , and

$$\llbracket E \rrbracket, p : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \vdash \llbracket a \rrbracket_p^E . \quad (15)$$

From this and the definition of the encoding, for some  $R$ ,

$$\llbracket E \rrbracket, p : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{ww}}, x : \llbracket B \rrbracket^{\text{b}} \vdash \bar{p}x . R$$

For this to hold, by Lemma 8.11 it must be  $\llbracket B \rrbracket^{\text{b}} \leq \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{w}}$ , which implies  $\llbracket A \rrbracket \leq \llbracket B \rrbracket$ . By Theorem 13.3, this implies

$$B \leq A. \quad (16)$$

From (15), by definition of the encoding and contraction, we infer, for all  $j \in 1..n$ ,

$$\llbracket E \rrbracket, s_j : T_{B,j}^{\text{b}} \vdash !s_j(x_j, r_j) . \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j}^{E, x_j : B}$$

from which we get

$$\llbracket E \rrbracket, x_j : \llbracket B \rrbracket^{\text{w}}, r_j : \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \vdash \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j}^{E, x_j : B} .$$

This, by the inductive hypothesis, gives us

$$E, x_j : B \vdash b_j : B_j . \quad (17)$$

Finally, (16) and (17) allow us to use rule OT-Obj and subsumption to infer  $E \vdash a : A$ .

The case  $a = a' . \ell_i \leftarrow \zeta(x_i : A). b$  is similar.

Finally, the case when  $a = a' . \ell_i$ . By hypothesis,

$$\llbracket E \rrbracket, p : \llbracket B_i \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \vdash (\nu q : [\{\ell_i : B_i\}]^{\text{wb}}) (\llbracket a' \rrbracket_q^E \mid q(x) . \bar{x} \ell_i \text{-sel-}p)$$

for some  $B_i$ . From this, Lemma 13.5 and contraction, we infer

$$\llbracket E \rrbracket, q : [\{\ell_i : B_i\}]^{\text{ww}} \vdash \llbracket a' \rrbracket_q^E$$

which by induction gives  $E \vdash a' : \{\ell_i : B_i\}$ . From this, by rule OR-SEL we infer  $E \vdash a' . \ell_i : B_i$ .  $\square$

## 14 Operational correspondence and adequacy

We show that our interpretation preserves the computational content of terms. In the proofs of this section, we omit type information when it is unimportant.

**Lemma 14.1** *Suppose*

- $a \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{_{j \in 1..n} \ell_j = \zeta(x_j : A). b_j\}$ ,
- $E \vdash a : A$ ,
- $E, x : A \vdash b : B$ ,
- $\Gamma \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \llbracket E \rrbracket, p : \llbracket B \rrbracket^{\text{ww}}$ .

Then  $(\nu x : \llbracket A \rrbracket^b) (\llbracket b \rrbracket_p^{E,x:A} \mid \llbracket x := a \rrbracket^E) \sim_\Gamma \llbracket b\{a/x\} \rrbracket_p^E$ .

**Proof:** Recall that  $\llbracket x := a \rrbracket^E = (\nu \tilde{s})(\text{OB}^A \langle \tilde{s}, x \rangle \mid \prod_j !s_j(x_j, r_j) \cdot \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j}^{E,x_j:A}$ ). Moreover, using  $E \vdash a : A$  and Theorem 13.4, we can infer

$$\llbracket E \rrbracket, x : \llbracket A \rrbracket^b \vdash \llbracket x := a \rrbracket^E$$

Hence, using the laws for replication in Section 10 and expanding the definitions of the abbreviations,

$$\llbracket x := a \rrbracket^E \sim_{\llbracket E \rrbracket, x : \llbracket A \rrbracket^b} !x(r) \cdot P_a \quad (18)$$

for some process  $P_a$  with

$$\llbracket E \rrbracket, r : \llbracket A \rrbracket \vdash P_a \quad (19)$$

$$x : \llbracket A \rrbracket^b \not\vdash \bar{x}x \cdot \mathbf{0} \quad (20)$$

Moreover, by Theorem 13.4, it holds that

$$\llbracket E \rrbracket, x : \llbracket A \rrbracket^w, p : \llbracket B \rrbracket^{ww} \vdash \llbracket b \rrbracket_p^{E,x:A} \quad (21)$$

We prove the assertion of the lemma by induction on the structure of  $b$ . Facts (18-21) allow us to apply the distributivity laws for replication.

1.  $b = x$ .

Use law **L1** of Lemma 10.2.

2.  $b = y \neq x$

Use law **L2** of Lemma 10.2.

3.  $b = \{_{i \in 1..m} \mathfrak{h}_i = \zeta(y_i : B') \cdot b'_i\}$

We have:

$$\begin{aligned} (\nu x) (\llbracket b \rrbracket_p^{E,x:A} \mid \llbracket x := a \rrbracket^E) &= \\ (\nu x) \left( (\nu x') (\bar{p}x' \cdot (\nu \tilde{s}') (\text{OB}^{B'} \langle \tilde{s}', x' \rangle \mid \prod_i !s'_i(y_i, r_i) \cdot \llbracket b'_i \rrbracket_{r_i}^{E,y_i:B',x:A})) \mid \right. \\ &\quad \left. \llbracket x := a \rrbracket^E \right) \end{aligned}$$

from which, using the laws for replication and some garbage collection,

$$\begin{aligned} \sim_\Gamma (\nu x') (\bar{p}x' \cdot (\nu \tilde{s}') (\text{OB}^{B'} \langle \tilde{s}', x' \rangle \mid \prod_i !s'_i(y_i, r_i) \cdot \\ (\nu x) (\llbracket b'_i \rrbracket_{r_i}^{E,y_i:B',x:A} \mid \llbracket x := a \rrbracket^E))) \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 13.2,  $\llbracket x := a \rrbracket^E = \llbracket x := a \rrbracket^{E,y_i:B'}$ . Then the thesis follows by the inductive assumption.

4.  $b = b' \cdot \ell_j$  or  $b = b' \cdot \ell_i \Leftarrow \zeta(y_i : B') \cdot b''$ .

Similar to above. □

We recall that, in a case statement,  $\ell_{\star}$  means that the branch at  $\ell$  is irrelevant.

**Lemma 14.2** *Let*

- $a \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{_{j \in 1..n} \ell_j = \zeta(x_j : A). b_j\}$ ,
- $A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{_{j \in 1..n} \ell_j : A_j\}$ ,
- $\emptyset \vdash a. \ell_i : B_i$ , for some  $i \in 1..n$ .
- $\Gamma \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} p : \llbracket B_i \rrbracket^{\text{ww}}$ .

*Then*

1.  $a. \ell_i \rightarrow b_i\{a/x_i\}$ ;
2.  $\llbracket a. \ell_i \rrbracket_p^\emptyset \longrightarrow_{\text{d}}^* \sim_{\Gamma} \llbracket b_i\{a/x_i\} \rrbracket_p^\emptyset$ .

**Proof:** The first assertion is trivial, so we only look at the second. By Theorem 13.4,

$$\Gamma \vdash \llbracket a. \ell_i \rrbracket_p^\emptyset \quad (22)$$

and, using Lemmas 2.3 and 2.4 and Theorem 13.4,

$$\Gamma \vdash \llbracket b_i\{a/x_i\} \rrbracket_p^\emptyset. \quad (23)$$

We have:

$$\llbracket a. \ell_i \rrbracket_p^\emptyset \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\nu q)(\llbracket a \rrbracket_q^\emptyset \mid q(x). \bar{x} \ell_i \text{-sel-} p)$$

and

$$\llbracket a \rrbracket_p^\emptyset = (\nu x : \llbracket A \rrbracket^b) \bar{p} x. \llbracket x := a \rrbracket^\emptyset$$

We have the following reductions:

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket a. \ell_i \rrbracket_p^\emptyset &\longrightarrow_{\text{d}} (\nu q)(\nu x)(\llbracket x := a \rrbracket^\emptyset \mid \bar{x} \ell_i \text{-sel-} p) \\ &\equiv (\nu x)(\llbracket x := a \rrbracket^\emptyset \mid \bar{x} \ell_i \text{-sel-} p) \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

Abbreviating  $\tilde{s} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} s_1..s_n$  and  $V_j \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \ell_j \text{-}[ \text{sel-}(r_j) \triangleright \bar{s}_j \langle x, r_j \rangle ; \text{upd-} \star ]$ , we have

$$\llbracket x := a \rrbracket^\emptyset = (\nu \tilde{s})(!x \llbracket_{j \in 1..n} V_j \rrbracket \mid \prod_{j \in 1..n} !s_j(x_j, r_j). \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j}^{x_j:A})$$

and then we can continue from (24) thus:

$$\begin{aligned} &\longrightarrow_{\text{d}}^* (\nu x, \tilde{s}) \left( \bar{s}_i \langle x, p \rangle \mid !x \llbracket_{j \in 1..n} V_j \rrbracket \mid \prod_j !s_j(x_j, r_j). \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j}^{x_j:A} \right) \\ &\longrightarrow_{\text{d}}^* (\nu x, \tilde{s}) \left( \llbracket b_i \rrbracket_p^{x_i:A} \{x/x_i\} \mid !x \llbracket_{j \in 1..n} V_j \rrbracket \mid \prod_j !s_j(x_j, r_j). \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j}^{x_j:A} \right) \\ &\equiv (\nu x) \left( \llbracket b_i \rrbracket_p^{x_i:A} \{x/x_i\} \mid (\nu \tilde{s}) (!x \llbracket_{j \in 1..n} V_j \rrbracket \mid \prod_j !s_j(x_j, r_j). \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j}^{x_j:A}) \right) \\ &= (\nu x) (\llbracket b_i \{x/x_i\} \rrbracket_p^{x:A} \mid \llbracket x := a \rrbracket^\emptyset) \\ &\sim_{\Gamma} \llbracket b_i \{x/x_i\} \{a/x\} \rrbracket_p^\emptyset \\ &= \llbracket b_i \{a/x_i\} \rrbracket_p^\emptyset \end{aligned}$$

where the use of  $\sim_{\Gamma}$  is due to Lemma 14.1. We can use this lemma because terms  $(\nu x)(\llbracket b_i \{x/x_i\} \rrbracket_p^{x:A} \mid \llbracket x := a \rrbracket^\emptyset)$  and  $\llbracket b_i \{a/x_i\} \rrbracket_p^\emptyset$  are well-typed in  $\Gamma$  (for this use (22) and (23) and subject reduction) and because

$$\emptyset \vdash a : A \quad (25)$$

and

$$x_i : A \vdash b_i : B_i \quad (26)$$

hold. Equation (25) comes from Lemma 2.3(1); equation (26) comes from (25),  $A_i \leq B_i$  (which comes from Lemma 2.3(1)) and definition of typing.  $\square$

**Lemma 14.3** *Let*

- $a \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{_{j \in 1..n} \ell_j = \zeta(x_j : A). b_j\}$ ,
- $a' \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{_{j \in \{1..n\} - \{i\}} \ell_j = \zeta(x_j : A). b_j, \ell_i = \zeta(x_i : A). b\}$ ,
- $\emptyset \vdash a. \ell_i \Leftarrow \zeta(x_i : B). b : B$
- $\Gamma \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} p : \llbracket B \rrbracket^{\text{ww}}$ .

*Then*

1.  $a. \ell_i \Leftarrow \zeta(x_i : B). b \rightarrow a'$ ;
2.  $\llbracket a. \ell_i \Leftarrow \zeta(x_i : B). b \rrbracket_p^\emptyset \xrightarrow{\star}_d \sim_\Gamma \llbracket a' \rrbracket_p^\emptyset$ .

**Proof:** We prove the second assertion. Let  $A = \{_{j \in 1..n} \ell_j : B_j\}$ . By Lemma 2.3(2), we have  $A \leq B$  and the  $\ell_i$ -th component of  $B$  is  $B_i$ . We have:

$$\llbracket a. \ell_i \Leftarrow \zeta(x_i : B). b \rrbracket_p^\emptyset \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\nu q) \left( \llbracket a \rrbracket_q^\emptyset \mid q(x) \cdot (\nu s : T_{B,i}^b) \bar{x} \ell_i \text{-upd}_-(p, s) \cdot !s(x_i, r_i) \cdot \llbracket b \rrbracket_{r_i}^{x_i : B} \right)$$

where  $T_{B,i} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle B^{\text{w}}, \llbracket B_i \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \rangle$ , and

$$\llbracket a \rrbracket_p^\emptyset = (\nu x) \bar{p} x \cdot \llbracket x := a \rrbracket^\emptyset$$

We have the following reductions, for  $P \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} !s(x_i, r_i) \cdot \llbracket b \rrbracket_{r_i}^{x_i : B}$ . First:

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket a. \ell_i \Leftarrow \zeta(x_i : B). b \rrbracket_p^\emptyset &\xrightarrow{a} \\ &(\nu q)(\nu x) (\llbracket x := a \rrbracket^\emptyset \mid (\nu s : T_{B,i}^b) \bar{x} \ell_i \text{-upd}_-(p, s) \cdot P) \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

Since

$$\llbracket x := a \rrbracket^\emptyset = (\nu s_j : T_{A,j}^b) ( !x [_{j \in 1..n} V_j] \mid \prod_{j \in 1..n} !s_j(x_j, r_j) \cdot \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j}^{x_j : A} )$$

where for  $j \in 1..n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} T_{A,j} &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{w}}, \llbracket B_j \rrbracket^{\text{ww}} \rangle \\ V_j &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \ell_j \text{-}[ \text{sel}_\star; \text{upd}_-(r, s') \triangleright U_j ] \\ U_j &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\nu x_{\text{new}} : \llbracket A \rrbracket^b) \bar{r} x_{\text{new}} \cdot \text{OB}^A \langle s_1 \dots s_{j-1}, s', s_{j+1} \dots s_n, x_{\text{new}} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

we can continue from (27) thus:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\equiv (\nu s : T_{B,i}^b) ({}_{j \in 1..n} \nu s_j : T_{A,j}^b) (\nu x) \\
&\quad (!x [{}_{j \in 1..n} V_j] \mid \prod_j !s_j(x_j, r_j) \cdot \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j}^{x_j:A} \mid \overline{x} \ell_i \text{-upd} \langle p, s \rangle \cdot P) \\
&\longrightarrow_d^* (\nu s : T_{B,i}^b) ({}_{j \in 1..n} \nu s_j : T_{A,j}^b) (\nu x) \\
&\quad (U_i \{p, s/r, s'\} \mid !x [{}_{j \in 1..n} V_j] \mid \prod_j !s_j(x_j, r_j) \cdot \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j}^{x_j:A} \mid P) \\
&\equiv (\nu s : T_{B,i}^b) ({}_{j \in \{1..n\} - \{i\}} \nu s_j : T_{A,j}^b) \\
&\quad \left( U_i \{p, s/r, s'\} \mid P \mid \prod_{j \in \{1..n\} - \{i\}} !s_j(x_j, r_j) \cdot \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j}^{x_j:A} \mid \right. \\
&\quad \left. (\nu x, s_i) (!x [{}_{j \in 1..n} V_j] \mid !s_i(x_i, r_i) \cdot \llbracket b_i \rrbracket_{r_i}^{x_i:A}) \right) \\
&\sim_\Gamma (\nu s : T_{B,i}^b) ({}_{j \in \{1..n\} - \{i\}} \nu s_j : T_{A,j}^b) \\
&\quad (U_i \{p, s/r, s'\} \mid P \mid \prod_{j \in \{1..n\} - \{i\}} !s_j(x_j, r_j) \cdot \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j}^{x_j:A})
\end{aligned}$$

where the use of  $\sim_\Gamma$  is due to law **L2**. Moreover, by Lemma 13.1,  $P$  is the same as  $P' \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} !s(x_i, r_i) \cdot \llbracket b_i \rrbracket_{r_i}^{x_i:A}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (\nu s : T_{B,i}^b) ({}_{j \in \{1..n\} - \{i\}} \nu s_j : T_{A,j}^b) \\
&\quad (U_i \{p, s/r, s'\} \mid P' \mid \prod_{j \in \{1..n\} - \{i\}} !s_j(x_j, r_j) \cdot \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j}^{x_j:A})
\end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

The process that we have obtained is well-typed under  $\Gamma$ . From  $\emptyset \vdash a' : B$  and Theorem 13.4, it also holds that

$$\begin{aligned}
\Gamma &\vdash \llbracket a' \rrbracket_p^\emptyset \\
&\equiv (\nu s : T_{A,i}^b) ({}_{j \in \{1..n\} - \{i\}} \nu s_j : T_{A,j}^b) \\
&\quad (U_i \{p, s/r, s'\} \mid P' \mid \prod_{j \in \{1..n\} - \{i\}} !s_j(x_j, r_j) \cdot \llbracket b_j \rrbracket_{r_j}^{x_j:A})
\end{aligned}$$

Because of these facts, we can apply law **L4**; thus continuing from (28) we infer

$$\sim_\Gamma \llbracket a' \rrbracket_p^\emptyset$$

which proves the lemma.  $\square$

**Lemma 14.4** *If  $a$  is closed and  $\llbracket a \rrbracket_p^E \downarrow$ , then  $a$  is a value.*

**Proof:** Immediate by structural induction on  $a$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 14.5 (operational correspondence)** *Suppose  $\emptyset \vdash a : A$ , and let*

$\Gamma \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} p : [A]^{\text{ww}}$ . *It holds that:*

1. *If  $a \rightarrow a'$ , then  $\llbracket a \rrbracket_p^\emptyset \longrightarrow_d^* \sim_\Gamma \llbracket a' \rrbracket_p^\emptyset$ ;*
2. *vice versa, i.e. if  $\llbracket a \rrbracket_p^\emptyset \rightarrow P$ , then there is  $a'$  s.t.  $a \rightarrow a'$ ,  $P \longrightarrow_d^* \sim_\Gamma \llbracket a' \rrbracket_p^\emptyset$  and, moreover, the reduction  $\llbracket a \rrbracket_p^\emptyset \rightarrow P$  is deterministic.*

**Proof:** Assertion (1) is proved by induction on the depth of the proof of  $a \rightarrow a'$ . The most interesting cases are the basic ones; for these use Lemmas 14.2 and 14.3. In the case of R-UPD, Lemma 2.3(2) might be needed so to transform  $A$  into some  $A' \leq A$  before applying Lemma 14.3. Then Lemmas 9.10 and 9.12 allow us to replace  $\sim_{p:[A']^{\text{ww}}}$  with  $\sim_{p:[A]^{\text{ww}}}$ . In

the cases of R-EVAL1-2, Lemmas 9.10, 9.11 and 9.12 are needed in order to manipulate processes inside contexts.

Assertion (2) is proved similarly, proceeding by induction on the structure of  $a$  and using Lemma 14.4.  $\square$

Note that the correctness of the interpretation on reductions (Theorem 14.5) and type judgements (Theorem 13.4 and Theorem 13.6) imply the subject reduction property for OC.

The translation captures precisely convergence on the source language.

**Corollary 14.6 (computational adequacy)** *If  $a$  is closed, then  $a \Downarrow$  iff  $\llbracket a \rrbracket_p^\emptyset \Downarrow$ .*

**Proof:** Consequence of Lemma 14.4 and of the operational correspondence Theorem 14.5.  $\square$

We can define barbed bisimulation and congruence on OC terms as we did in the  $\pi$ -calculus. However, since the reduction relation of OC is confluent, clause (1) of the definition of barbed bisimulation can be omitted. Therefore in OC barbed congruence coincides with Morris-style contextual equivalence. A context  $C$  in OC is a  $(A/B)$ -context if  $\emptyset \vdash C : A$  holds assuming that the hole of  $C$  has type  $B$ .

**Definition 14.7** *For closed OC terms  $a$  and  $b$  of type  $B$ , we write  $a \approx_B b$  if for all  $A$  and  $(A/B)$ -context  $C$ , it holds that  $C[a] \Downarrow$  iff  $C[b] \Downarrow$ .*

Using the compositionality of the encoding and adequacy, one can show the soundness of the translation, which tells us that the equalities that can be proved via the translation are valid.

**Theorem 14.8 (soundness)** *Let  $a$  and  $b$  be closed terms of type  $B$ . If  $\llbracket a \rrbracket_p^\emptyset \approx_{P, \llbracket B \rrbracket^{**}} \llbracket b \rrbracket_p^\emptyset$  then  $a \approx_B b$ .*

The converse of Theorem 14.8 does not hold. Consider objects  $a$  and  $b$  with type  $[\ell_1 : [\mathbf{h} : []]; \ell_2 : []]$  and definition

$$\begin{aligned} a &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\ell_1 := e_1; \ell_2 = \zeta(x). ((x.\ell_1).\mathbf{h} \Leftarrow e_2).\mathbf{h} \Leftarrow e_2\} \\ b &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\ell_1 := e_1; \ell_2 = \zeta(x). (x.\ell_1).\mathbf{h} \Leftarrow e_2\} \end{aligned}$$

for some expressions  $e_1$  and  $e_2$ . The only difference between  $a$  and  $b$  is that, in  $a$ , the same update operation in the body of method  $\ell_2$  is repeated. The two objects are equivalent in OC. However, they are distinguishable in the  $\pi$ -calculus, and we informally explain the reason. An external observer can update method  $\ell_1$ , thus becoming the owner of the body of this method and then can respond in a non-deterministic way to requests of access to  $\ell_1$ 's body. In particular, the observer can decide to diverge after precisely two requests of update on the submethod  $\mathbf{h}$ . In this case, when method  $\ell_2$  of object  $a$  or  $b$  is selected, the system with  $a$  reaches divergence, whereas the system with  $b$  does not.

This counterexample is similar to the counterexamples to full abstraction for the encodings of the  $\lambda$ -calculus into the  $\pi$ -calculus, see [Mil91, San95]. Note that full abstraction also fails for the translations of OC into the  $\lambda$ -calculus in [ACV96].

## 15 Conclusions and future work

We have showed that a typed  $\pi$ -calculus can capture the type and subtype structure and the operational content of a core, but challenging, Object-Oriented calculus. The proofs of operational correctness of the interpretation are indicative examples of the usefulness of type information for reasoning on  $\pi$ -calculus process.

The results of operational correspondence (Theorem 14.5) are stronger than the results for the encodings of the  $\lambda$ -calculus into the  $\pi$ -calculus [Mil91, San95]: The statements of the latter results make use of *weak* behavioural equivalences, whereas in Theorem 14.5 a *strong* behavioural equivalence suffices.

The language we have interpreted is *sequential*. We have chosen a sequential language because type systems for sequential Object-Oriented languages are better understood. We hope that studying these type systems from within the  $\pi$ -calculus will shed some light onto type systems for parallel Object-Oriented languages.

Our translation uses only a subset of the  $\pi$ -calculus language where: All inputs are either persistent or linear; a name appears in input subject position at most once; a name received in an input can only be used in output position. The processes obeying this discipline are “functional”, in that they have a confluent reduction relation. Some of these constraints appear in  $\pi$ -calculus-like languages studied by Amadio [Ama96], Boreale [Bor96], Fournet and Gonthier [CG96]. Identifying combinations of the  $\pi$ -calculus operators which are useful for the interpretation of objects might lead to the definition of a higher-level target calculus, capable of yielding more succinct and readable interpretations of objects.

We would like to apply the interpretation and the theory of the  $\pi$ -calculus, in particular its algebraic laws and its proof techniques, to proving behavioural properties on OC terms. Indeed, a major reason for experimenting the  $\pi$ -calculus in the semantics of Object-Oriented languages is the wish to exploit its theory. We would also like to compare proofs of behavioural equalities between OC terms carried out via the  $\pi$ -calculus translation, against direct proofs using applicative bisimulation as defined by Gordon and Rees [GR96]. Obviously, since the  $\pi$ -calculus translation is not fully abstract, there will be proofs for which only applicative bisimulation can be used.

We have interpreted OC, that is a *core* functional Object Calculus, because it already contains most of the basic challenges to interpreting typed functional Object-Oriented languages into the  $\pi$ -calculus and because we wanted to keep our interpretation and proofs shorter and easier to read. Abadi and Cardelli have studied an extension of the type system for OC with variant annotations  $\{+, -, o\}$  on the method names so to have a richer subtyping relation (see [AC95]). A tag  $\ell^+$ ,  $\ell^-$  or  $\ell^o$  says, respectively, that method  $\ell$  can only be selected, only updated, or both selected and updated. Tag  $+$  gives covariance,  $-$  gives contravariance and  $o$  gives invariance. Conceptually, these tags yield the same form of subtyping on OC types as that induced by the tags  $\{r, w, b\}$  on the  $\pi$ -calculus types. It is simple to capture this extension of the OC type system in our translation. Abadi and Cardelli have also investigated a second-order extension of OC [AC94a]. It should be possible to extend our encoding of the first-order OC to an encoding of the second-order OC, by adding polymorphic types to the typed  $\pi$ -calculus following Turner [Tur96].



By contrast, how to repeat our program onto the imperative version of OC [AC95] is less predictable. We think that an encoding of the imperative calculus can be written which has a similar structure to the encoding of the functional calculus presented in this paper. The main modification should be in the object manager  $\text{OB}^A\langle s_1..s_n, x \rangle$ : In our translation, this is a functional process; translating the imperative OC, it should be made “imperative”, by allowing updates of the names  $s_1..s_n$  for accessing the methods. However, it would be good to see the details worked out.

All Object Calculi are sequential. One hopes that studying their type systems from within the  $\pi$ -calculus will help to develop concurrent or distributed versions of the Object Calculi.

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