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Exercise Sheet 10

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Exercise 51 (Confluence of β -Reduction)

In the lecture we have shown the confluence of \longrightarrow_{β} using the diamond property of parallel β -reduction. In this exercise, we develop an alternative proof.

We define the operation * on λ -terms inductively over the structure of terms:

$$x^* = x$$

$$(\lambda x. t)^* = \lambda x. t^*$$

$$(t_1 t_2)^* = t_1^* t_2^* \text{ if } t_1 t_2 \text{ is not } \beta\text{-reducible.}$$

$$((\lambda x. t_1) t_2)^* = t_1^* [t_2^* / x]$$

- a) Show that we have for two arbitrary λ -terms s and t: $s > t \implies t > s^*$
- b) Show that \longrightarrow_{β} is confluent.

Exercise 52 (α -Equivalence)

Prove transitivity for α -equivalence, that is, for all terms t_1, t_2, t_3 ,

$$t_1 = t_2 \implies t_2 = t_3 \implies t_1 = t_3$$

Homework 53 (Parallel β -Reduction)

In the lecture, we defined parallel β -reduction > inductively as follows:

We also showed $> \subseteq \stackrel{*}{\longrightarrow}_{\beta}$. In this exercise, you have to show: $\longrightarrow_{\beta} \subseteq >$

Hint: Use induction over the inductive definition of \longrightarrow_{β} .

Homework 54 (Expanding lets)

We have a language with let-expressions, i.e.:

$$t = v \mid t \mid t \mid \text{let } v = t \text{ in } t$$

Write a program which expands all let-expressions, the let-semantics are:

$$(\text{let } v = t_1 \text{ in } t_2) = (\lambda v. \ t_2) \ t_1$$