

# Residuated Park theories

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## An example: context-free languages

$$G : X \rightarrow XX \mid aXb \mid bXa \mid \epsilon$$

$$L(G) = \{u \in \{a, b\}^* : |u|_a = |u|_b\}$$

**Fact**  $L(G)$  is the least (pre-)fixed point of the map

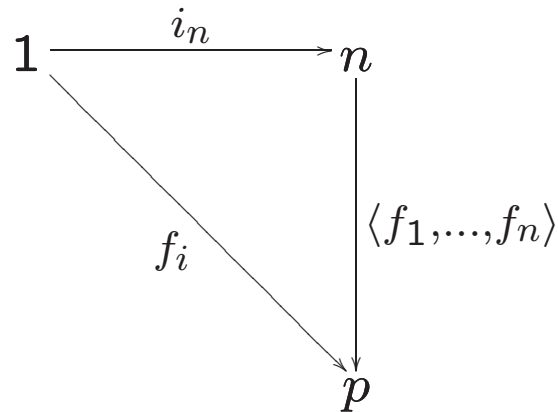
$$\begin{aligned} f_G : P(\{a, b\}^*) &\rightarrow P(\{a, b\}^*) \\ L &\mapsto LL \cup aLb \cup bLa \cup \{\epsilon\} \end{aligned}$$

## Aim

To provide an axiomatic treatment of the least fixed operation in the framework of *Lawvere algebraic theories*.

## Theories

A **Lawvere theory** is a small category whose objects are the nonnegative integers such that each integer  $n$  is the  $n$ -fold coproduct of object 1 with itself (i.e., each morphism  $n \rightarrow p$  is uniquely determined by a sequence of  $n$  morphisms  $1 \rightarrow p$ ).



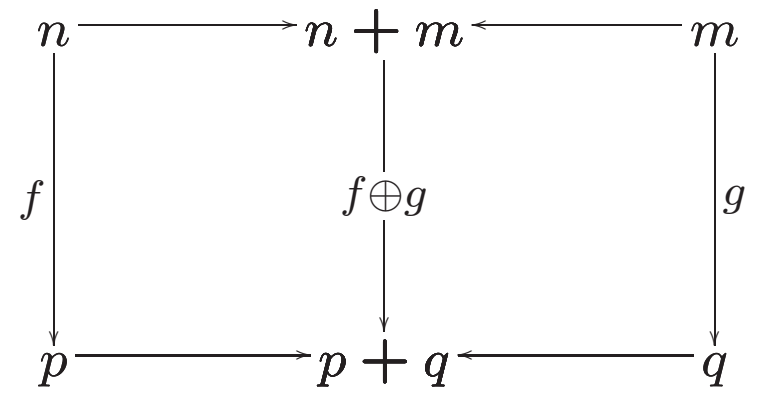
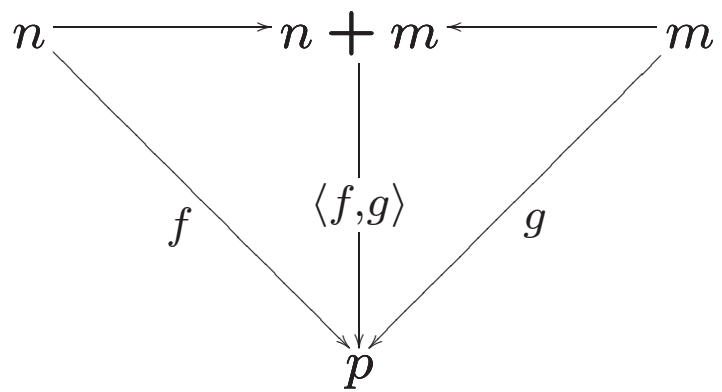
Thus, 0 is initial object and we denote  $0_p$  the **empty tupling** of morphisms  $1 \rightarrow p$  (unique morphism  $0 \rightarrow p$ ).

Sometimes theories are defined dually ...

## Examples of theories

- **Lang<sub>A</sub>**:  $L : 1 \rightarrow p \Leftrightarrow L \subseteq (A \cup \{X_1, \dots, X_p\})^*$ .  
 $L : p \rightarrow q \Leftrightarrow L = (L_1, \dots, L_p)$  with  $L_i : 1 \rightarrow q$ .  
$$L \cdot (L_1, \dots, L_p) = \{u_0 v_1 \dots v_k u_k : u_0 X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_k} v_k \in L, v_j \in L_{i_j}\}$$
- **Fun<sub>A</sub>**,  $A$  a set.  $f : n \rightarrow p \Leftrightarrow f : A^p \rightarrow A^n$ . Composition is function composition.
- **Mon<sub>P</sub>**,  $P$  a poset.  $f : n \rightarrow p \Leftrightarrow f : P^p \rightarrow P^n$  is a *monotone* function.

# Theories



## Park theories

A **Park theory** is an *ordered theory*  $T$ , ordered by  $\leq$ , which is equipped with an operation

$$\begin{aligned} \dagger : T(n, n + p) &\rightarrow T(n, p), & n, p \geq 0 \\ f &\mapsto f^\dagger \end{aligned}$$

such that for each  $f : n \rightarrow n + p$ ,  $f^\dagger$  is the **least solution** to the inequation

$$f \cdot \langle \xi, \mathbf{1}_p \rangle \leq \xi$$

in the variable  $\xi : n \rightarrow p$ . Moreover:

$$f^\dagger \cdot g \leq (f \cdot (\mathbf{1}_n \oplus g))^\dagger, \quad f : n \rightarrow n + p, \quad g : p \rightarrow q$$

A **semilattice ordered Park theory** is a Park theory whose partial order is a semilattice order and thus comes with a *supremum operation*  $\vee$ , moreover:

$$(f \vee g) \cdot h \leq f \cdot h \vee g \cdot h, \quad f, g : n \rightarrow p, \quad g : p \rightarrow q$$

## Examples Park theories

- $\mathbf{Mon}_P$ ,  $P$  a dcpo, or a complete (semi)lattice.

$$\begin{aligned} f : n \rightarrow n + p &\mapsto f^\dagger : n \rightarrow p, \quad \text{i.e.,} \\ f : P^{n+p} \rightarrow P^n &\mapsto f^\dagger : P^p \rightarrow P^n \end{aligned}$$

For any  $y \in P^p$ ,  $f^\dagger(y)$  is the least  $x \in P^n$  with

$$f(x, y) \leq x$$

- $\mathbf{Lang}_A$ , semilattice ordered.



## Some properties of dagger

$$\begin{aligned}f \cdot \langle f^\dagger, \mathbf{1}_p \rangle &= f^\dagger, & f : n \rightarrow n + p \\(f \cdot (\mathbf{1}_n \oplus g))^\dagger &= f^\dagger \cdot g, & f : n \rightarrow n + p, g : p \rightarrow q \\ \langle f, g \rangle^\dagger &= \langle f^\dagger \cdot \langle h^\dagger, \mathbf{1}_p \rangle, h^\dagger \rangle,\end{aligned}$$

where  $f : n \rightarrow n + m + p$ ,  $g : m \rightarrow n + m + p$  and

$$h = g \cdot \langle f^\dagger, \mathbf{1}_{m+p} \rangle : m \rightarrow m + p.$$

These are called the **fixed point equation**, the **parameter equation** and the **Bekić equation**.

**Fixed point induction:**

$$f \cdot \langle g, \mathbf{1}_p \rangle \leq g \Rightarrow f^\dagger \leq g$$

where  $f : n \rightarrow n + p$ ,  $g : n \rightarrow p$ .

## Completeness

**Theorem** (ZE) The following are equivalent for an equation  $t = t'$  between terms  $t, t'$  in the language of theories equipped with a dagger operation:

- $t = t'$  holds in all theories  $\mathbf{Mon}_P$ , where  $P$  is a dcpo.
- $t = t'$  holds in all theories  $\mathbf{Mon}_L$ , where  $L$  is a complete lattice.
- $t = t'$  holds in all “continuous theories” or “continuous semilattice ordered theories” such as the theories  $\mathbf{Lang}_A$ .
- $t = t'$  holds in all Park theories.

**Theorem** (ZE) The following are equivalent for an equation  $t = t'$  between terms  $t, t'$  in the language of theories equipped with a  $\vee$  and a dagger operation:

- $t = t'$  holds in all theories  $\mathbf{Mon}_L$ , where  $L$  is a complete lattice.
- $t = t'$  holds in all continuous semilattice ordered theories such as the theories  $\mathbf{Lang}_A$ .
- $t = t'$  holds in all semilattice ordered Park theories.

## Equational axiomatization

There is **no finite equational axiomatization** (involving only the theory operations,  $\dagger$ , and possibly  $\vee$ ). (Bloom-ZE)

**Infinite equational axiomatization:** axioms of **Iteration Theories** (Bloom–Elgot–Wright, ZE)

**Theorem** (ZE) The following set of equations is complete: equations defining theories  $\dagger$

$$\begin{aligned}(f \cdot (\mathbf{1}_n \oplus g))^\dagger &= f^\dagger \cdot g, & f : n \rightarrow n + p, & g : p \rightarrow q \\(f \cdot (\langle \mathbf{1}_n, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \oplus \mathbf{1}_p))^\dagger &= f^{\dagger\dagger}, & f : n \rightarrow n + n + p \\(f \cdot \langle g, 0_n \oplus \mathbf{1}_p \rangle)^\dagger &= f \cdot \langle (g \cdot \langle f, 0_m \oplus \mathbf{1}_p \rangle)^\dagger, \mathbf{1}_p \rangle, & f : n \rightarrow m + p,\end{aligned}$$

$g : m \rightarrow n + p$ , and an equation associated with **each finite (simple) group**.

When  $\vee$  is present, one needs to add axioms for semilattice ordered theories and a few more equations.

## Residuation

**Definition** A **residuated (semilattice ordered) theory** is a (semilattice) ordered theory  $T$  equipped with a binary operation  $\Leftarrow$ :

$$\begin{aligned} T(n, q) \times T(p, q) &\rightarrow T(n, p) \\ h : n \rightarrow q, g : p \rightarrow q &\mapsto (h \Leftarrow g) : n \rightarrow p \\ f \cdot g \leq h &\Leftrightarrow f \leq (h \Leftarrow g), \quad \text{all } f : n \rightarrow p \end{aligned}$$

**Alternative axiomatization** in the semilattice ordered case:

$$\begin{array}{ll} (h \Leftarrow g) \cdot g \leq h & g : p \rightarrow q, h : n \rightarrow q \\ f \leq (f \cdot g) \Leftarrow g & f : n \rightarrow p, g : p \rightarrow q \\ h \Leftarrow g \leq (h \vee h') \Leftarrow g & g : p \rightarrow q, h, h' : n \rightarrow p \end{array}$$

**Fact** Any residuated semilattice ordered theory is right distributive.

## Residuation

**Definition** A **residuated (semilattice ordered) Park theory** is any residuated (semilattice ordered) theory which is a Park theory.

**Example**  $\text{Mon}_L$ , where  $L$  a complete lattice,  $\text{Lang}_A$  where  $A$  is an alphabet.

**Theorem** (ZE) Residuated semilattice ordered Park theories can be axiomatized by equations (and are thus closed under quotients).

An equational axiomatization consists of: equations defining residuated semilattice ordered theories, the fixed point equation, the parameter equation and

$$\begin{aligned} f^\dagger &\leq (f \vee g)^\dagger & f, g : n \rightarrow n + p \\ (g \Leftarrow \langle g, \mathbf{1}_p \rangle)^\dagger &\leq g, & g : n \rightarrow p \end{aligned}$$

where the second equation is called **pure induction**.

*Proof uses ideas of Pratt and Santocanale.*

## Completeness, again

**Theorem** (ZE) An equation between terms involving the theory operations and dagger holds in all theories  $\mathbf{Mon}_P$ , where  $P$  is a dcpo or complete lattice, iff it holds in all residuated Park theories.

An equation between terms involving the theory operations, dagger and  $\vee$  holds in all theories  $\mathbf{Mon}_L$ , where  $L$  is a complete lattice, iff it holds in all residuated semilattice ordered Park theories.

## Variations

There is a similar treatment using:

### Star operation

$$f : n \rightarrow n+p \quad \mapsto \quad f^* := (f^\tau)^\dagger = (f \cdot (\mathbf{1}_n \oplus 0_n \oplus \mathbf{1}_p) \vee (0_n \oplus \mathbf{1}_n \oplus 0_p))^\dagger : n \rightarrow n+p$$

### Star fixed point equation

$$f \cdot \langle f^*, 0_n \oplus \mathbf{1}_p \rangle \vee (\mathbf{1}_n \oplus 0_p) = f^*, \quad f : n \rightarrow n+p$$

### Star least fixed point rule

$$f \cdot \langle g, 0_n \oplus \mathbf{1}_p \rangle \vee h \leq g \quad \Rightarrow \quad f^* \cdot \langle h, 0_n \oplus \mathbf{1}_p \rangle \leq g, \quad f, g, h : n \rightarrow n+p$$

### Star pure induction

$$(g \Leftarrow \langle g, 0_n \oplus \mathbf{1}_p \rangle)^* \leq (g \Leftarrow \langle g, 0_n \oplus \mathbf{1}_p \rangle), \quad g : n \rightarrow n+p$$

## Variations

### Scalar dagger and scalar star

**Theorem** (Bekić, DeBakker-Scott) In a Park theory,

$$\langle f, g \rangle^\dagger = \langle f^\dagger \cdot \langle h^\dagger, \mathbf{1}_p \rangle, h^\dagger \rangle, \quad f : n \rightarrow n + m + p, \quad g : m \rightarrow n + m + p$$

where

$$h = g \cdot \langle f^\dagger, \mathbf{1}_{m+p} \rangle : m \rightarrow m + p$$

**Functional languages:**  $\mu$ -expressions, \*-expressions, “letrec” expressions, etc ...



## Applications

- Complete axiomatization of
  - Strong and weak behavior of flowchart schemes (cyclic programs)
  - Regular tree languages and word languages
  - Rational power series and tree series
  - Process behaviors, etc.
- Axiomatic foundation of automata theory.
- Applications to programming logics (e.g. soundness and relative completeness of Hoare logic), cyclic term rewriting, domain equations, . . .

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