

From partial evaluation to algebra using first principles

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typical concepts in

Partial Evaluation:

- interpreters/compilers
- data structures
- rewriting, optimisation
- algorithmics

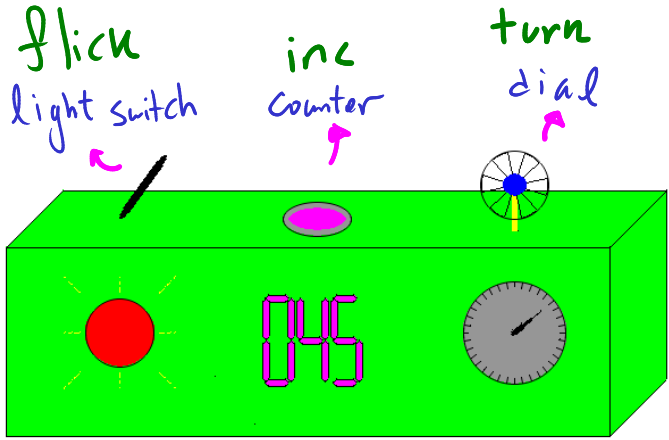
Algebra:

- polynomials
- axioms
- solving equations

Goal:

- Implement Partial Evaluator
- Recover algebra

Vehicle: Action Box



Key Idea

Partial Evaluation



Evaluation in

abstract domain

Established Idea

▷ Abstract interpretation

Here: accuracy

▷ Denotational semantics

Here: implementability/effectivity

Partial Evaluation



Evaluation in
abstract domain

Algebraic Perspective

$$A := (\text{Cmds}, \text{State}, \text{act}) \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{monoid} \\ \text{actions} \end{array}$$

script vars \rightarrow state vars

$$A[X, Y] := (\mathcal{O}[X, Y], S[X, Y], \text{act})$$

We have:

$$A \xrightarrow{\text{sta}} A[X, Y] \xleftarrow{\text{dyn}} \langle X, Y \rangle$$

also:

homomorphism
(respects action & sequencing)

Def. Extension of action A by sets $\langle X, Y \rangle$:
 another action $\xrightarrow{\quad}$ action homomorphism

$$A \xrightarrow{h} B \xleftarrow{e} \langle X, Y \rangle$$

Fact: Representation theorem \rightarrow inductive/non-quotiented implementation

$$A[X, Y] := (ROScript[X], Rostate[X, Y])$$

is the free extension:

$$A \xrightarrow{sta} A[X, Y] \xleftarrow{dyn} \langle X, Y \rangle$$

Key idea: Generalise action

multi-sorted algebra

Def. Extension of algebra A by sets $\langle X, Y \rangle$:

algebra $\xrightarrow{\quad}$ algebra homomorphism

$$A \xrightarrow{h} B \xleftarrow{e} \langle X, Y \rangle$$

Goal: Representation theorems

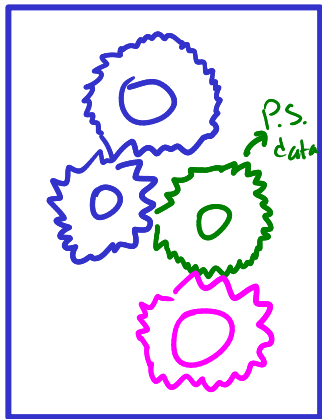
inductive / non-
quotiented
implementation

for the free extension:

$$A \xrightarrow{\text{sta}} A[X, Y] \xleftarrow{\text{dyn}} \langle X, Y \rangle$$

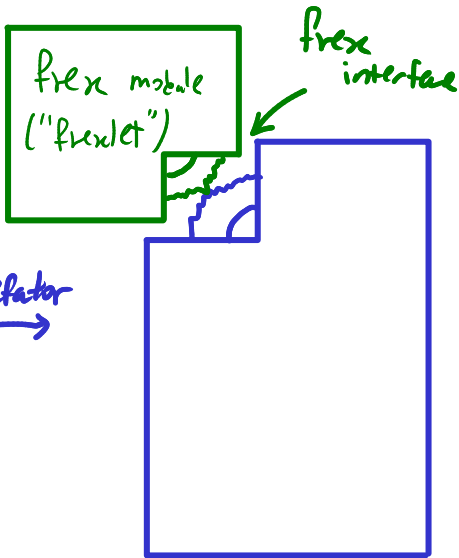
Roadmap

Step 1: refactor



Partial Evaluator

refactor
→



Partial evaluator

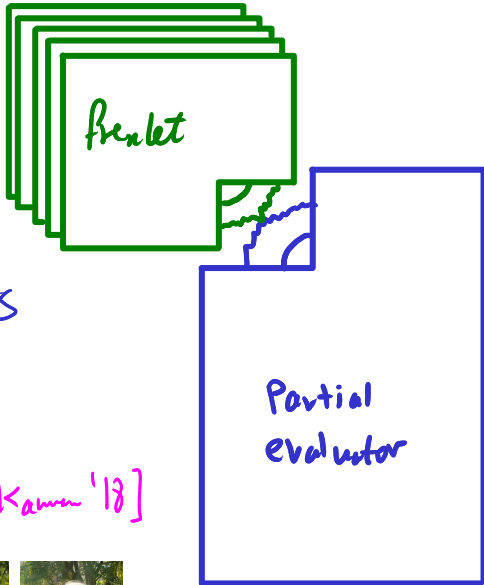
Roadmap

Step 2:

develop
multiple frezlets

Staging with Freze

[Yallop, von Glehn, Kammar '18]



Roadmap

Step 3:

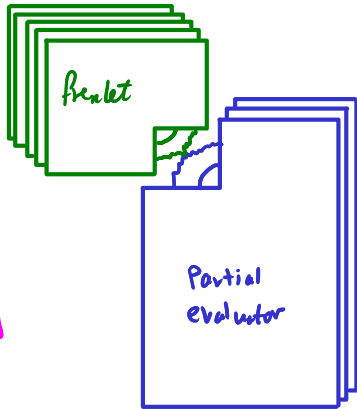
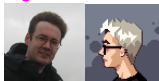
develop generic

Partial evaluators:

▷ Staging-based optimisation
[Yallop, Van Glegh, Kammar '18]

▷ Equational
Proof
Synthesis

[Allais, Bray, Corbyn,
Kammar, Yallop,
ongoing]



▷ Normalization-by-Evaluation



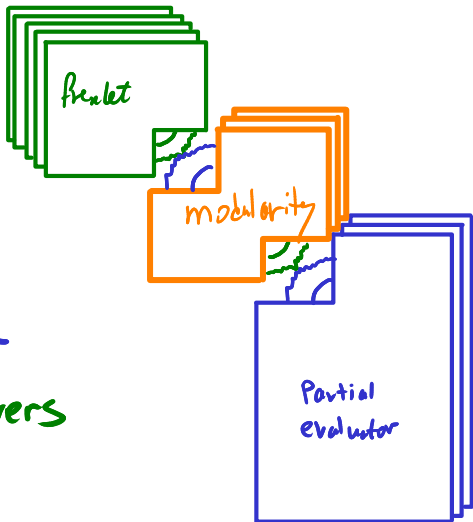
[Corbyn, Kammar, Lindley,
Valliappan, Yallop
ongoing]

Roadmap

Step 3:

modular construction of

- ▷ involutive algebra free
- ▷ homomorphism graphs free
- ▷ (ongoing) ring solvers

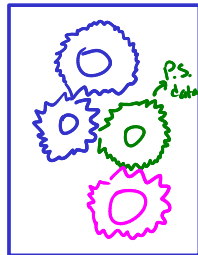


Conclusion

▷ Partial evaluation \rightsquigarrow Algebra

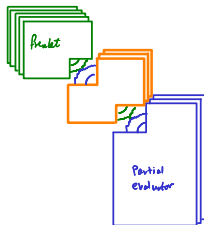
▷ a roadmap:

- Staging
- equational - proof synthesis
- NBE
- Modularity



Partial Evaluator

↓ free



Thanks!