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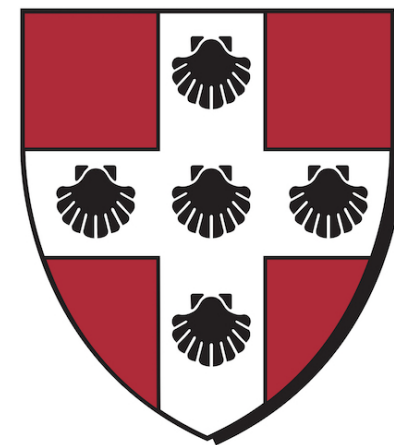
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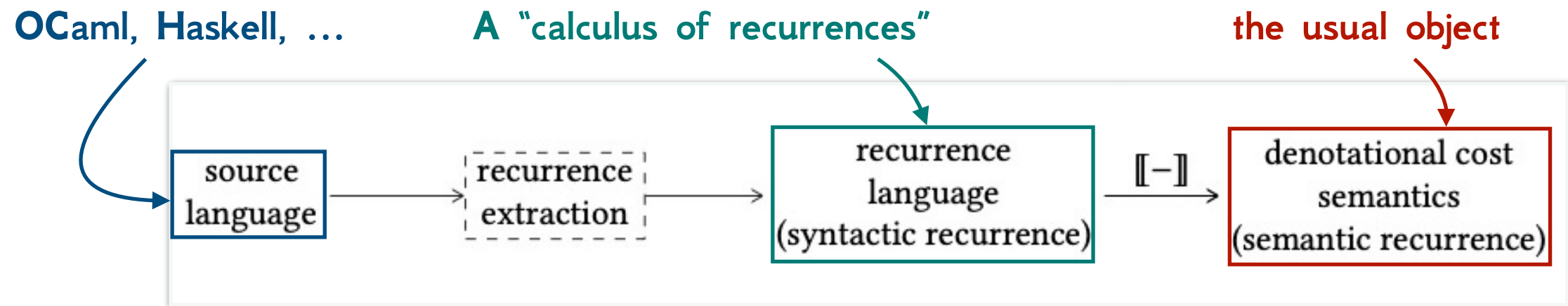
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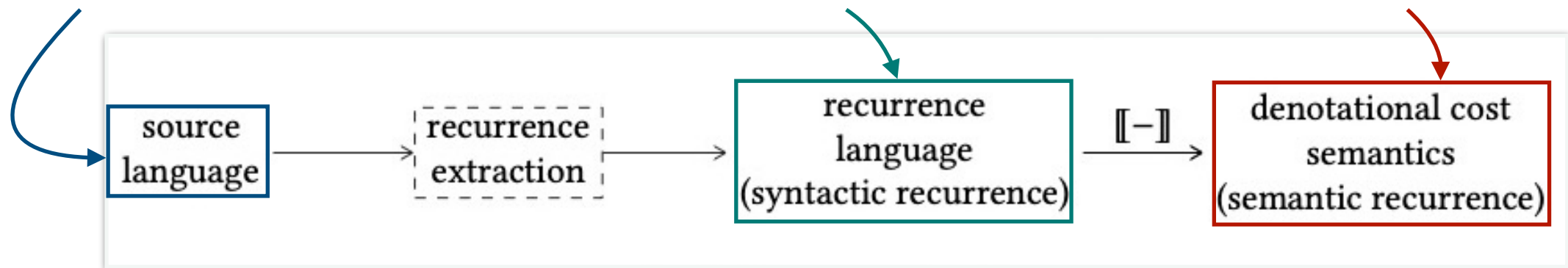
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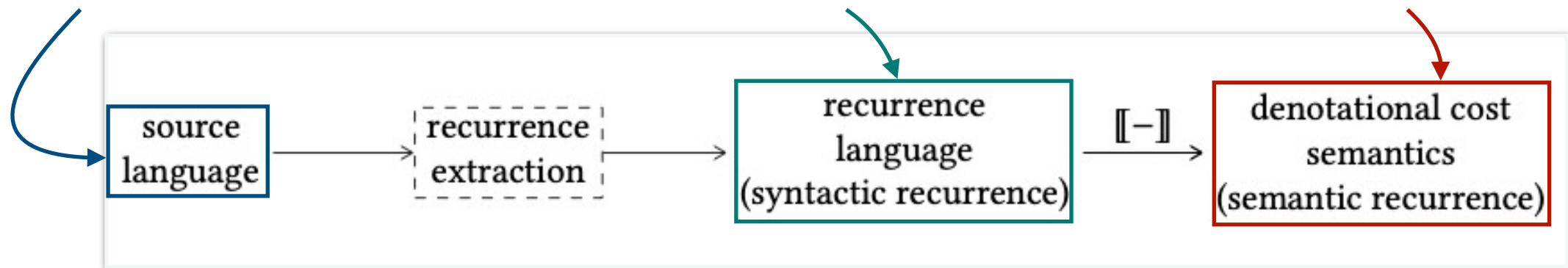
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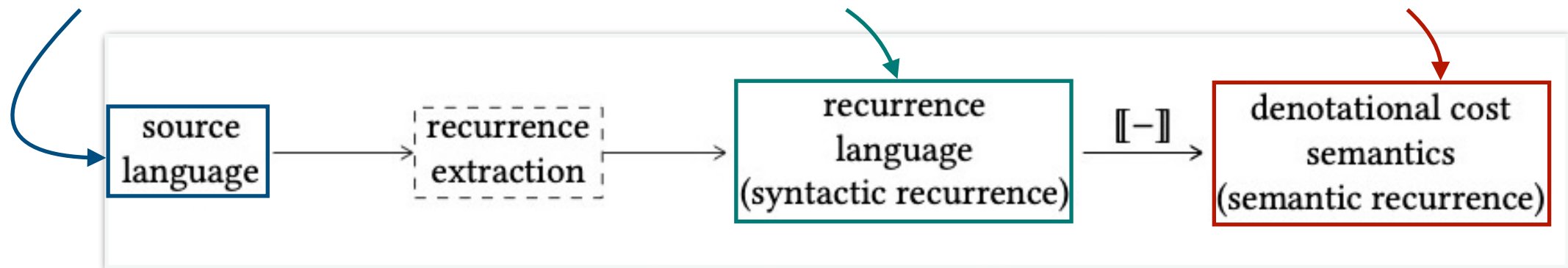
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PCF

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Function Types

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : A \vdash M : B}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x. M : A \rightarrow B} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash M : A \rightarrow B \quad \Gamma \vdash N : A}{\Gamma \vdash M N : B}$$

CBN recursion

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CBV recursion

$$\frac{\Gamma, f : A \rightarrow B, x : A \vdash M : B}{\Gamma \vdash \text{rec } f(x) = M : A \rightarrow B}$$

CBN big-step rules

$$\frac{M \downarrow^m \lambda x. P \quad P[N/x] \downarrow^n V}{MN \downarrow^{m+n+1} V} \quad \frac{M[\text{fix } x. M/x] \downarrow^n V}{\text{fix } x. M \downarrow^{n+1} V}$$

CBV big-step rules

$$\frac{M \downarrow^m \lambda x. P \quad N \downarrow^n W \quad P[W/x] \downarrow^k V}{MN \downarrow^{m+n+k+1} V} \quad \frac{M \downarrow^m \text{rec } f(x) = P \quad N \downarrow^n W \quad P[\text{rec } f(x) = P/f, W/x] \downarrow^k V}{MN \downarrow^{m+n+k+1} V}$$

PCF_c

= simply-typed λ + fixpoints + **costs** (CBN only)

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$$\frac{\hat{n} \in \{0, 1\}}{\Gamma \vdash \hat{n} : \mathbb{C}} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash M : \mathbb{C} \quad \Gamma \vdash N : \mathbb{C}}{\Gamma \vdash M \boxplus N : \mathbb{C}}$$

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Cost big-step rules

$$\hat{n} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \underbrace{1 \boxplus 1 \boxplus \dots \boxplus 0}_{\text{right-associated}}$$

$$\frac{\hat{n} \in \{0, 1\}}{\hat{n} \downarrow \hat{n}} \quad \frac{M \downarrow \hat{m} \quad N \downarrow \hat{n}}{M \boxplus N \downarrow \widehat{m + n}}$$

The Size Preorder

$$\Gamma \vdash M \leqslant N : A$$

“as recurrences, M is less than or equal to N at type A”

The central device of PCF_c is the size preorder. Its rules are dictated by the proof of correctness of the extraction.

Extraction for CBV

- ❖ Every PCF type is translated to **two** PCFc types:

- ❖ A type of **potentials** (= "size," use-cost)

- ❖ A type of **complexities** (= cost + potential)

- ❖ We then extract a **complexity** from each term.
Given $E : ||A||$ we write

$$E_c \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \pi_1(E) : \mathbb{C}$$

$$E_p \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \pi_2(E) : \langle\langle A \rangle\rangle$$

$$C +_c E \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle C \boxplus E_c, E_p \rangle : ||A||$$

Complexity of A Potential of A

$$||A|| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbb{C} \times \langle\langle A \rangle\rangle$$

$$\langle\langle \text{nat} \rangle\rangle \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{nat}$$

$$\langle\langle A_1 \times A_2 \rangle\rangle \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle\langle A_1 \rangle\rangle \times \langle\langle A_2 \rangle\rangle$$

$$\langle\langle A \rightarrow B \rangle\rangle \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle\langle A \rangle\rangle \rightarrow ||B||$$

$$||x|| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle \mathbf{0}, x \rangle$$

$$||M - \underline{n}|| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle ||M||_c, ||M||_p - \underline{n} \rangle$$

$$||M - N|| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle ||M||_c \boxplus ||N||_c, ||M||_p \rangle \text{ (if } N \neq \underline{n})$$

$$||\lambda x. M|| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle \mathbf{0}, \lambda x. ||M|| \rangle$$

$$||M N|| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{1} \boxplus ||M||_c \boxplus ||N||_c +_c (||M||_p ||N||_p)$$

$$||\text{rec } f(x) = M|| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle \mathbf{0}, \text{fix } f. \lambda x. ||M|| \rangle$$

Given potentials for the inputs

this recurrence

gives the complexity of M

Theorem: $\Gamma \vdash M : A \implies \langle\langle \Gamma \rangle\rangle \vdash ||M|| : ||A||$

How to state correctness for CBV

❖ Because of function types, we must use a logical relation.

❖ **Theorem:** there exist relations

$$(M : \mathcal{T}_A^{\text{PCF, closed}}) \sqsubseteq_A (E : \mathcal{T}_{\|A\|}^{\text{PCFc, closed}}) \quad \text{and} \quad (V : \mathcal{V}_A^{\text{PCF, closed}}) \sqsubseteq_A^{\text{val}} (E : \mathcal{T}_{\langle\langle A \rangle\rangle}^{\text{PCFc, closed}})$$

("M/V is bounded above by recurrence E"), such that

$$\begin{aligned} M \sqsubseteq_A E &\implies \text{if } E_c \downarrow \text{ then } \exists n, V. \begin{cases} M \downarrow^n V \\ \hat{n} \leq E_c \\ V \sqsubseteq_A^{\text{val}} E_p \end{cases} \\ \underline{n} \sqsubseteq_{\text{nat}}^{\text{val}} E &\implies \underline{n} \leq E \\ \langle V_1, V_2 \rangle \sqsubseteq_{A_1 \times A_2}^{\text{val}} E &\implies \begin{cases} V_1 \sqsubseteq_{A_1}^{\text{val}} \pi_1(E) \\ V_2 \sqsubseteq_{A_2}^{\text{val}} \pi_2(E) \end{cases} \\ \lambda x. M \sqsubseteq_{A \rightarrow B}^{\text{val}} E &\implies \forall (N \sqsubseteq_A^{\text{val}} X). M[N/x] \sqsubseteq_B E X \\ \text{rec } f(x) = P \sqsubseteq_{A \rightarrow B}^{\text{val}} E &\implies \forall (N \sqsubseteq_A^{\text{val}} X). P[\text{rec } f(x) = P/f, N/x] \sqsubseteq_B E X \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} V \sqsubseteq_A^{\text{val}} \|V\|_p &\text{ for any CBV PCF value } \cdot \vdash V : A \\ M \sqsubseteq_A \|M\| &\text{ for any CBV PCF term } \cdot \vdash M : A \end{aligned}$$

Extraction for CBN

- ❖ Every PCF type is translated to a **cost algebra**, viz.
a **type** along with a **cost action** on that type.

$$c : \mathbb{C}, x : \|A\| \vdash \alpha_A(c, x) : \|A\|$$

$$\|\text{nat}\| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbb{C} \times \text{nat}$$

$$\|A_1 \times A_2\| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \|A_1\| \times \|A_2\|$$

$$\|A \rightarrow B\| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \|A\| \rightarrow \|B\|$$

- ❖ The algebras are defined inductively on types:

$$c : \mathbb{C}, x : \mathbb{C} \times \text{nat} \vdash \alpha_{\text{nat}}(c, x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle c \boxplus \pi_1(x), \pi_2(x) \rangle : \mathbb{C} \times \text{nat}$$

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$$c : \mathbb{C}, f : \|A\| \rightarrow \|B\| \vdash \alpha_{A \rightarrow B}(c, f) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda a. \alpha_B(c, f(a)) : \|A\| \rightarrow \|B\|$$

$$\|x\| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} x$$

$$\|M \text{ op } N\| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\text{same as in CBV})$$

- ❖ Writing $L +_A E \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \alpha_A(L, E) : \|A\|$ we have

$$\|\lambda x. M\| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda x. \mathbf{1} +_B \|M\|$$

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and

$$M \sqsubseteq_A \|M\| \text{ for any CBN PCF term } \cdot \vdash M : A$$

Proving any of this is nontrivial.

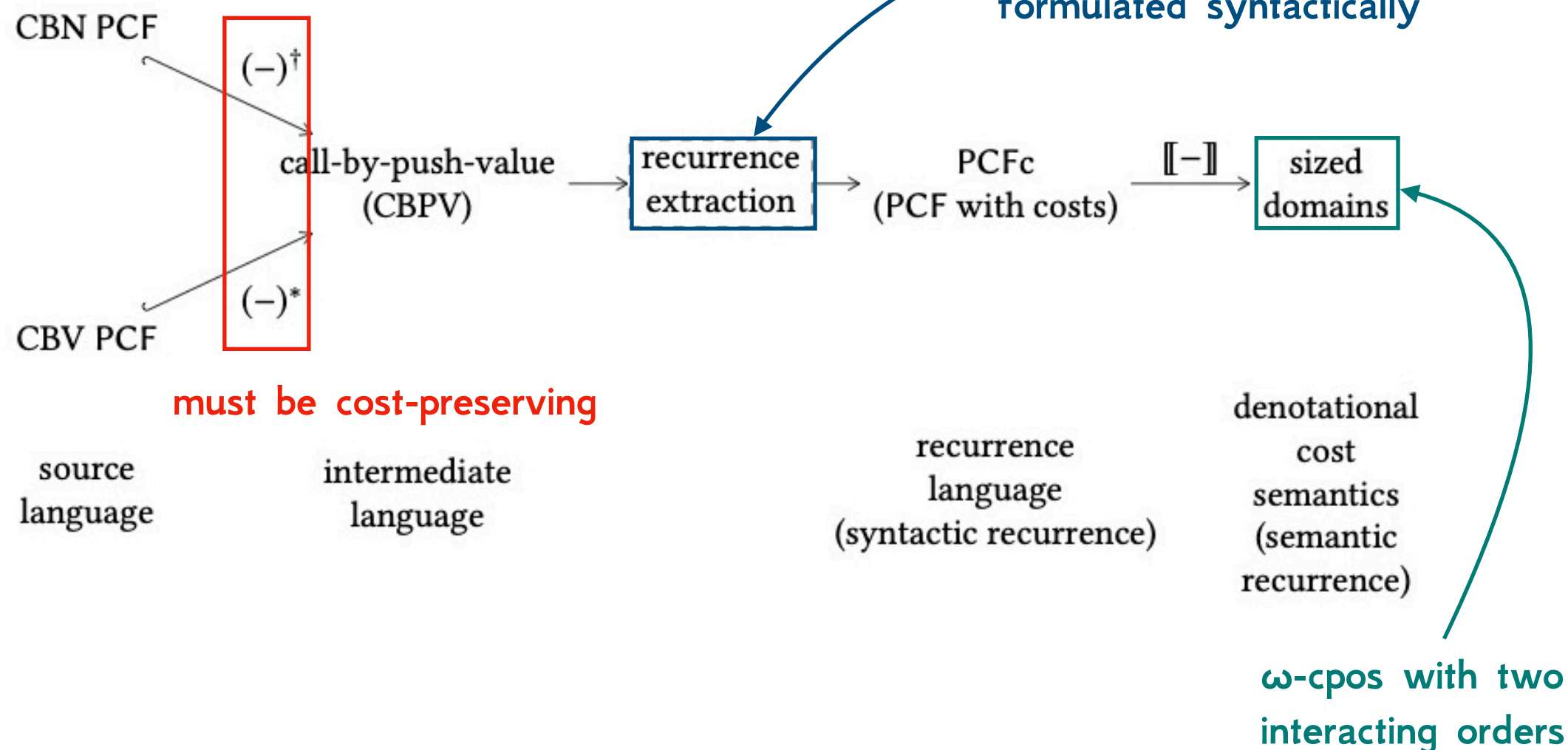
- ❖ A number of difficult issues arise:
 - ❖ Translating **CBV** to **CBN** but **without continuations** — how is it even possible?
 - ❖ Handling **nontermination** is nontrivial
 - ❖ Obtaining the **logical relation**: defining it as before doesn't work. E.g. in CBV the fixpoint recurs, so IH does not apply.
- ❖ How can one even come up with the extraction in the first place?

Two for the price of one: Call-by-Push-Value

❖ CBPV features **modalities** that control the evaluation of terms.

❖ We can **embed** both CBV and CBN in it.

\approx monad/algebra
categorical semantics for
the writer monad, but
formulated syntactically



Call-by-Push-Value (CBPV)

"A value is, a computation does" — Paul Blain Levy

- ❖ CBPV separates **value types** and **computation types**.

$$A ::= \text{nat} \mid A_1 \times A_2 \mid U\underline{B}$$

\nearrow \nearrow
positive product **thunks**

$$\underline{B} ::= FA \mid \underline{B}_1 \& \underline{B}_2 \mid A \rightarrow \underline{B}$$

\nearrow \nwarrow
returners **negative products**

- ❖ Two sorts of judgments. Only values in contexts!
- ❖ Terms of value types are values. For example, we do not have projections at positive product types.
- ❖ Terms of computation type can be effectful. We have two effects, **recursion** and **charging a unit cost**.
- ❖ Terms of type FA are **returners**: they perform some effects, and then return a value. Like monads, this value can be **sequentially threaded** into another computation.
- ❖ Computations are **reified** as values: they form **thunks**.

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_v V : A \quad \Gamma \vdash_v V_2 : A_2}{\Gamma \vdash_v (V_1, V_2) : A_1 \times A_2} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash_v V : A_1 \times A_2 \quad \Gamma, x_1 : A_1, x_2 : A_2 \vdash_c N : \underline{B}}{\Gamma \vdash_c \text{split}(V; (x_1, x_2). N) : \underline{B}}$$

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$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_v V : A}{\Gamma \vdash_c \text{return } V : FA} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash_c M : FA \quad \Gamma, x : A \vdash_c N : \underline{B}}{\Gamma \vdash_c \text{bind } x \leftarrow M \text{ in } N : \underline{B}}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_c M : \underline{B}}{\Gamma \vdash_v \text{thunk } M : U\underline{B}} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash_v V : U\underline{B}}{\Gamma \vdash_c \text{force } V : \underline{B}}$$

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$M \Downarrow^n T$

$$\frac{M \Downarrow^m \text{return } V \quad N[V/x] \Downarrow^n T}{\text{bind } x \Leftarrow M \text{ in } N \Downarrow^{m+n} T}$$

$$\frac{M \Downarrow^n T}{\text{charge. } M \Downarrow^{n+1} T}$$

$$\frac{M[\text{thunk } (\text{fix } x. M)/x] \Downarrow^n T}{\text{fix } x. M \Downarrow^n T}$$

$\Gamma \vdash_v V : A$

$\Gamma \vdash_c M : \underline{B}$

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Recurrence extraction for CBPV

Value types \Rightarrow types of **potentials**: they only have use-cost (future, indirect cost).

Computation types \Rightarrow **cost algebras** — they may be evaluated now (current, direct cost).

$$\langle\langle \text{nat} \rangle\rangle \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{nat}$$

$$\langle\langle A_1 \times A_2 \rangle\rangle \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle\langle A_1 \rangle\rangle \times \langle\langle A_2 \rangle\rangle$$

$$\langle\langle UB \rangle\rangle \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \|\underline{B}\|$$

$$\|FA\| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\mathbb{C} \times \langle\langle A \rangle\rangle, \alpha_{FA})$$

$$\|A \rightarrow \underline{B}\| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\langle\langle A \rangle\rangle \rightarrow \|\underline{B}\|, \alpha_{A \rightarrow \underline{B}})$$

$$\|\underline{B}_1 \& \underline{B}_2\| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\|\underline{B}_1\| \times \|\underline{B}_2\|, \alpha_{\underline{B}_1 \& \underline{B}_2})$$

$$c : \mathbb{C}, x : \mathbb{C} \times \langle\langle A \rangle\rangle \vdash \alpha_{FA}(c, x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle c \boxplus \pi_1(x), \pi_2(x) \rangle : \mathbb{C} \times \langle\langle A \rangle\rangle$$

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$$\|\text{return } V\| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle \mathbf{0}, \langle\langle V \rangle\rangle \rangle$$

$$\|\text{bind } x \leftarrow M \text{ in } N\| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \|M\|_c +_{\underline{B}} \|N\| [\|M\|_p / x]$$

$$\|\text{charge. } M\| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{1} +_{\underline{B}} \|M\|$$

$$\|\text{fix } x. M\| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{fix } x. \|M\|$$

Theorem:

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma \vdash_v V : A &\Longrightarrow \langle\langle \Gamma \rangle\rangle \vdash \langle\langle V \rangle\rangle : \langle\langle A \rangle\rangle \\ \Gamma \vdash_c M : \underline{B} &\Longrightarrow \langle\langle \Gamma \rangle\rangle \vdash \|M\| : \|\underline{B}\| \end{aligned}$$

How to state correctness for CBPV

The following logical relation does the trick. It's a mix-and-match of the CBV and CBN styles.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{n} \lesssim_{\text{nat}}^{\text{val}} E &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \underline{n} \leq E \\
 (V_1, V_2) \lesssim_{A_1 \times A_2}^{\text{val}} E &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} V_1 \lesssim_{A_1}^{\text{val}} \pi_1(E) \\ V_2 \lesssim_{A_2}^{\text{val}} \pi_2(E) \end{cases} \\
 \text{thunk } M \lesssim_{U\underline{B}}^{\text{val}} E &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} M \lesssim_{\underline{B}}^c E \\
 M \lesssim_{FA}^c E &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} E_c \downarrow \implies \exists n, V. \begin{cases} M \Downarrow^n \text{ return } V \\ \hat{n} \leq E_c \\ V \lesssim_A^{\text{val}} E_p \end{cases} \\
 M \lesssim_{A \rightarrow \underline{B}}^c E &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \forall (N \lesssim_A^{\text{val}} X). M N \lesssim_{\underline{B}}^c E X \\
 M \lesssim_{\underline{B}_1 \& \underline{B}_2}^c E &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \pi_1(M) \lesssim_{\underline{B}_1}^c \pi_1(E) \\ \pi_2(M) \lesssim_{\underline{B}_2}^c \pi_2(E) \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem (Bounding Theorem):

$$\begin{aligned}
 \cdot \vdash V : A &\implies V \lesssim_A^{\text{val}} \langle\!\langle V \rangle\!\rangle \\
 \cdot \vdash M : \underline{B} &\implies M \lesssim_{\underline{B}}^c ||M||
 \end{aligned}$$

Proving the original theorems for CBN and CBV

- ❖ Use the **Levy embedding** of CBN and CBV into CBPV.
- ❖ Sprinkle occurrences of “**charge**” wherever cost should be incurred.
- ❖ Prove that the embedding is cost-preserving (a bisimulation-like result).

Denotational semantics of PCFc

❖ A **sized domain** consists of a set D and

❖ An **information order**, i.e. a pointed ω -cpo (D, \sqsubseteq, \perp)

❖ A **size preorder** $(D, \leq, \mathbf{0}, \vee)$

such that

least element

chosen least upper bounds

Why preorder? E.g. the lists $[1, 2, 3]$ and $[4, 5, 6]$ are “size-equal” but not

❖ The chosen lubs are continuous wrt the information order.

❖ A better-defined bound is a smaller bound: $x \sqsubseteq y \implies y \leq x$

❖ A recursively defined upper bound is an upper bound:

for a chain $(x_i)_{i \in \omega}$ we have $(\forall i. z \leq x_i) \implies z \leq \sqcup_{i \in \omega} x_i$

Conclusions

- ❖ We formulated recurrence extraction for both CBN and CBV with recursion **in a uniform way**, and proved it correct.
- ❖ The structure of CBPV illuminates the basic concepts of **potential** and **complexity** that occurred in previous work:
 - ❖ **values** have **potential** (use-cost)
 - ❖ **computations** have **complexity** (direct cost)
- ❖ This is the beginning of a theory of **higher-order recurrences**.
- ❖ The analysis can easily be extended to CBV inductive types.
- ❖ Recursive types much harder — but we have some ideas!