

$x = 1$

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let x = 1 in ...

$x(1).$

$!x(1)$

$x.set(1)$

Programming Language Theory

The Untyped Lambda Calculus

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What's the lambda calculus?

- **It is the core of functional languages.**
- ...

x

$\lambda x.x$

The identity function

$\lambda f.\lambda g.\lambda x.f(g\ x)$

Function composition

What's the lambda calculus?

- **It is the core of functional languages.**
- It is a mathematical system for studying programming languages.
 - ◆ design, specification, implementation, type systems, et al.
- It comes in variations of typing: implicit/explicit/none.
- Formal systems built on top of simply typed lambda calculus:
 - ◆ System F — for studying polymorphism
 - ◆ System $F_{<}$: — for studying subtyping
 - ◆ ...

Language constructs

- Abstract syntax:

$$M ::= x \mid M M \mid \lambda x.M$$

- M is a lambda term.
- An infinite set of variables x, y, z, \dots is assumed.
- $M N$ is an application.

Function M is applied to the argument N .

- $\lambda x.M$ is an abstraction.

The resulting function maps x to M .

Lambda functions are anonymous.

Computability theory

- Church's thesis:

All intuitively computable functions are λ -definable.

- An established equivalence of notions of computability:

Set of Lambda-definable functions

= Set of Turing-computable functions

Syntax and semantics

- Syntax

$t ::= x$

$\lambda x.t$

$t t$

Terms

A term that cannot be reduced further.

$v ::= \lambda x.t$

Values (normal forms)

- Evaluation

$$\frac{t_1 \rightarrow t_1'}{t_1 t_2 \rightarrow t_1' t_2}$$

$$\frac{t \rightarrow t'}{v t \rightarrow v t'}$$

$$(\lambda x.t) v \rightarrow [v/x]t$$

Reduce function position, then reduce argument position, then apply.

Syntactic sugar and conventions

- $M N_1 \dots N_k$ means $(\dots((M N_1) N_2) \dots N_k)$.

Function application groups from left to right.

- $\lambda x.x y$ means $(\lambda x.(x y))$.

Function application has higher precedence.

- $\lambda x_1 x_2 \dots x_k. M$ means $\lambda x_1.(\lambda x_2.(\dots(\lambda x_k.(M)) \dots))$.

Variable binding

- λ is a binding operator:
It binds a variable in the scope of the lambda abstraction.
- Examples:
 - ♦ $\lambda x.M$ x is bound (in the lambda abstraction)
 - ♦ $\lambda x.x y$ y is not bound (in the lambda abstraction).
- If a variable occurs in an expression without being bound, then it is called a **free** occurrence, or a free variable. Other occurrences of variables are called **bound**.
- A **closed term** is one without free variable occurrences.

Variable binding — precise definition

$FV(M)$ defines the set of free variables in the term M

$$FV(x) = \{x\}$$

$$FV(MN) = FV(M) \cup FV(N)$$

$$FV(\lambda x.M) = FV(M) \setminus \{x\}$$

Exercise: what are the free and bound variable occurrences in these terms?

$$(\lambda x.y)(\lambda y.y)$$
$$\lambda x.(\lambda y.x y)y$$

Substitution and β -equivalence

- **Computation for the λ -calculus is based on *substitution*.**

- Substitution is defined by the equational axiom:

$$(\lambda x.M)N = [N/x]M$$

Redex

" \rightarrow " direction = β -reduction

The terms on both sides are also called β -equivalent.

- Think of substitution as invoking a function:
 - ★ $(\lambda x.M)$ is the function,
 - ★ N is the argument,
 - ★ Substitution takes care of parameter passing.

α -equivalence and conversion

- Names of bound variable are insignificant.

$\lambda x.x$ defines the same function as $\lambda y.y$

- Suppose two terms differ only on the names of bound variables.

Then, they are said to be α -equivalent ($=\alpha$).

- Equational axiom:

$$\lambda x.M = \lambda y.[y/x]M$$

where y does not appear in M

and substitution applies to free occurrences only.

Performing such renaming is also called α -conversion.

Reduction $M \rightarrow N$

- Computation (\rightarrow) with the lambda calculus is then a series of

- ♦ β -reductions, and

$$\frac{t_1 \rightarrow t_1'}{t_1 t_2 \rightarrow t_1' t_2} \qquad \frac{t \rightarrow t'}{v t \rightarrow v t'}$$

- ♦ (“implicit”) α -conversions.

$$(\lambda x.t) v \rightarrow [v/x]t$$

- *Reflexive, transitive closure*

- $M \rightarrow^* N$ means M reduces to N in zero or more steps.

Inductive definition of substitution

$$[N/x]x = N$$

$$[N/x]y = y, y \text{ any variable different from } x$$

$$[N/x](M_1 M_2) = ([N/x]M_1) ([N/x]M_2)$$

$$[N/x](\lambda x.M) = \lambda x.M$$

$$[N/x](\lambda y.M) = \lambda y.([N/x]M), y \text{ not free in } N$$

If this condition is not met, then alpha conversion is needed.

Examples	$[z/x]x$	\longrightarrow	z
	$[z/x](\lambda x.x x)$	\longrightarrow	$\lambda x.x x$
	$[z/x](\lambda y.y x)$	\longrightarrow	$\lambda y.y z$
	$[z/x](\lambda z.x z)$	\longrightarrow	$\lambda a.z a$

Properties of reduction (i.e., semantics)

- How do we select redexes for reduction steps?
- Does the result depend on such a choice?
- Does reduction ultimately terminate with a normal form?

Illustration of different reductions

(We assume natural numbers with "+".)

Option 1

$(\lambda f. \lambda x. f (f x)) (\lambda y. y + 1) 2$

→ $(\lambda x. (\lambda y. y + 1) ((\lambda y. y + 1) x)) 2$

→ $(\lambda x. (\lambda y. y + 1) (x + 1)) 2$

→ $(\lambda x. (x + 1 + 1)) 2$

→ $(2 + 1 + 1)$

→ 4

Option 2

$(\lambda f. \lambda x. f (f x)) (\lambda y. y + 1) 2$

→ $(\lambda x. (\lambda y. y + 1) ((\lambda y. y + 1) x)) 2$

→ $(\lambda y. y + 1) ((\lambda y. y + 1) 2)$

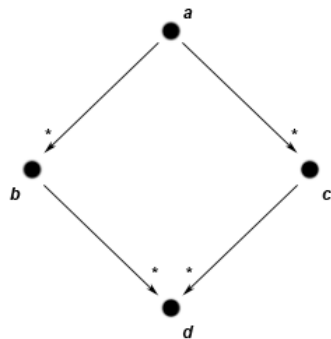
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Confluence

- Confluence: evaluation strategy is not significant for final value.
- That is: there is (at most) one normal form of a given expression.



[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Church-Rosser_theorem]

Confluence

- $M \rightarrow^* N$ means M reduces to N in zero or more steps.
- Confluence

If $M \rightarrow^* N$ and $M \rightarrow^* N'$,

then there exists some P

such that $N \rightarrow^* P$ and $N' \rightarrow^* P$.

Strong normalization property of a calculus with reduction

- Definition:

For every term M there is a normal form N such that $M \rightarrow^* N$.

- Strong normalization properties for lambda calculi:

♦ Untyped lambda calculus: **no** $(\lambda x. x x)(\lambda x. x x)$

♦ Simply-typed lambda calculus: **yes**

Evaluation/reduction strategies

Choice of strategy
may impact
termination behavior

- ♦ **Full beta reduction**

Reduce anywhere.

- ♦ **Applicative order** ("reduce the leftmost innermost redex")

eager
(strict)

Reduce argument before applying function.

- ♦ **Normal order** ("reduce the leftmost outermost redex")

lazy
(non-strict)

Apply function before reducing argument.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Evaluation_strategy

Extension vs. encoding

- Typical extensions
(giving rise to so-called applied lambda calculi)
 - ◆ Primitive types (numbers, Booleans, ...)
 - ◆ Type constructors (tuples, records, ...)
 - ◆ **Recursive functions**
 - ◆ Effects (cell, exceptions, ...)
 - ◆ ...
- Many extensions can be encoded in theory in terms of pure lambda calculus, except that such encoding is somewhat tedious.

Church Booleans

- Encodings of literals
 - ◆ $true = \lambda t. \lambda f. t$
 - ◆ $false = \lambda t. \lambda f. f$
- Conditional expression (if)
 - ◆ Expectations
 - ★ $test\ b\ v\ w \rightarrow^* v, \text{ if } b = true$
 - ★ $test\ b\ v\ w \rightarrow^* w, \text{ if } b = false$
 - ◆ Encoding
 - ★ $test = \lambda l. \lambda m. \lambda n. l\ m\ n$

Example reduction

$(\lambda l. \lambda m. \lambda n. l\ m\ n)$ $true\ v\ w$
→ $(\lambda m. \lambda n. true\ m\ n)$ $v\ w$
→ $(\lambda n. true\ v\ n)$ w
→ $true\ v\ w$
→ $(\lambda t. \lambda f. t)$ $v\ w$
→ $(\lambda f. v)$ w
→ v

Church pairs

- A Boolean value picks either the 1st or the 2nd value of the pair.
- Construction and projections
 - ♦ $pair = \lambda f.\lambda s.\lambda b.b\ f\ s$
 - ♦ $first = \lambda p.p\ true$
 - ♦ $second = \lambda p.p\ false$

Church numerals

- Encodings of numbers

- ◆ $c0 = \lambda s. \lambda z. z$

- ◆ $c1 = \lambda s. \lambda z. s z$

- ◆ $c2 = \lambda s. \lambda z. s (s z)$

- ◆ $c3 = \lambda s. \lambda z. s (s (s z))$

- ◆ ...

- Encodings of functions on numbers

- ◆ $succ = \lambda n. \lambda s. \lambda z. s (n s z)$

- ◆ $plus = \lambda m. \lambda n. \lambda s. \lambda z. m s (n s z)$

- ◆ $times = \lambda m. \lambda n. m (plus n) c0$

- ◆ ...

A numeral n is a lambda abstraction that is parameterized by a case for zero, and a case for succ. In the body, the latter is applied n times to the former. This caters for primitive recursion.

Recursive functions

- Let us define the factorial function.
- Suppose we had "recursive function definitions".

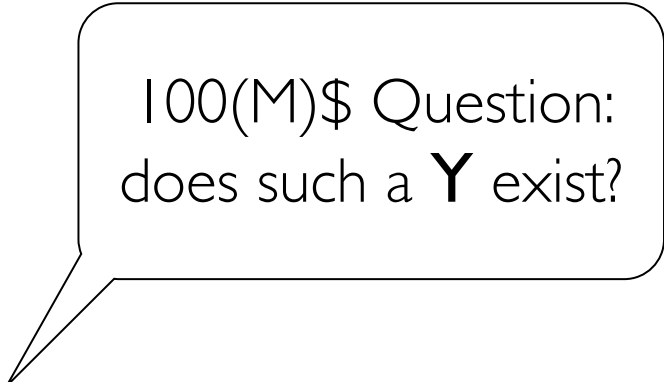
$$f \equiv \lambda n. \mathbf{if} \ n == 0 \ \mathbf{then} \ 1 \ \mathbf{else} \ n * f(n - 1)$$

- Let us do such recursion with anonymous functions.
- Fixed point combinators to the rescue!

Fixed points

- Consider a function $f: X \rightarrow X$.
- A fixed point of f is a value z such that $z = f(z)$.
- A function may have none, one, or multiple fixed points.
- Examples (functions and sets of fixed points):
 - ♦ $f(x) = 2x$ $\{0\}$
 - ♦ $f(x) = x$ $\{0, 1, \dots\}$
 - ♦ $f(x) = x + 1$ \emptyset

Fixed point combinators



100(M)\$ Question:
does such a **Y** exist?

We call **Y** a fixed-point combinator

if it satisfies the following **definitional property**:

For all $f: X \rightarrow X$ it holds that $\mathbf{Y} f = f(\mathbf{Y} f)$

Defining factorial as a fixed point

- Start from a recursive definition.

$$f \equiv \lambda n. \text{if } n == 0 \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } n * f(n - 1)$$

- Eliminate self-reference; receive function as argument.

$$g \equiv \lambda h. \lambda n. \text{if } n == 0 \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } n * h(n - 1)$$

★ g takes a function (h) and returns a function.

- Define f as a fixed point.

$$f \equiv Y \ g$$

Fixed points cont'd

Exercise for you!

- For example, apply definitional property to factorial g :

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \underline{(Y\ g)\ 2} \\
 = [Y\ def.\ prop.] & \quad g\ (Y\ g)\ 2 \quad \text{This is as if we had extended evaluation.} \\
 = [unfold\ g] & \quad \underline{(\lambda\ h.\lambda\ n.\mathit{if}\ n == 0\ \mathit{then}\ 1\ \mathit{else}\ n * h(n - 1))\ (Y\ g)\ 2} \\
 = [beta\ reduce] & \quad \underline{(\lambda\ n.\mathit{if}\ n == 0\ \mathit{then}\ 1\ \mathit{else}\ n * ((Y\ g)(n - 1)))\ 2} \\
 = [beta\ reduce] & \quad \underline{\mathit{if}\ 2 == 0\ \mathit{then}\ 1\ \mathit{else}\ 2 * ((Y\ g)(2 - 1))} \\
 = ["-" reduce] & \quad \underline{\mathit{if}\ 2 == 0\ \mathit{then}\ 1\ \mathit{else}\ 2 * ((Y\ g)(1))} \\
 = ["if" reduce] & \quad 2 * ((Y\ g)(1)) \\
 = & \quad \dots \\
 = & \quad 2
 \end{aligned}$$

Apply these steps
one more time.

A lambda term for **Y**

- One option:

$$Y = \lambda f. (\lambda x. f (x x)) (\lambda x. f (x x))$$

Not suitable for applicative order.

- Verification of the definitional property:

$$Y g = g (Y g)$$

- Proof:

Exercise for you!

$$\underline{Y g}$$

$$= [\textit{unfold } Y] \quad (\lambda f. (\lambda x. f (x x)) (\lambda x. f (x x))) g$$

$$= [\textit{beta reduce}] \quad (\lambda x. g(x x)) (\lambda x. g(x x))$$

$$= [\textit{beta reduce}] \quad g ((\lambda x. g(x x)) (\lambda x. g(x x)))$$

$$= [\textit{fold } Y] \quad g (Y g)$$

Prolog as a sandbox for semantics of lambda calculi

Untyped NB

<https://slps.svn.sourceforge.net/svnroot/slps/topics/semantics/nb/>

Syntax of NB

<code>t ::=</code>	<code>v</code>	terms: value
	<code>if t₁ then t₂ else t₃</code>	conditional
	<code>succ t</code>	successor
	<code>pred t</code>	predecessor
	<code>iszero t</code>	test for zero
<code>v ::=</code>	<code>true</code>	values: constant true
	<code>false</code>	constant false
	<code>nv</code>	numeric value
<code>nv ::=</code>	<code>0</code>	numeric values: zero value
	<code>succ nv</code>	successor value

Syntax of NB

term(V) :- value(V).
term(if(T1,T2,T3)) :- term(T1), term(T2), term(T3).
term(succ(T)) :- term(T).
term(pred(T)) :- term(T).
term(iszero(T)) :- term(T).

value(true).
value(false).
value(NV) :- nvalue(NV).

nvalue(zero).
nvalue(succ(NV)) :- nvalue(NV).

We are faithful to the distinction of the syntactical categories.

NB: sample terms

supposed to
evaluate to 0

`if(iszero(pred(succ(zero))),zero,succ(succ(zero))).`

supposed to
evaluate to false

`if(iszero(zero),iszero(succ(zero)),true).`

Evaluation rules of NB (SOS)

$$\frac{\text{E-Iszero} \quad t \rightarrow t'}{\text{iszero } t \rightarrow \text{iszero } t'}$$

$$\text{E-IszeroZero} \quad \text{iszero } 0 \rightarrow \text{true}$$

$$\text{E-IszeroSucc} \quad \text{iszero } (\text{succ } nv) \rightarrow \text{false}$$

$$\frac{\text{E-Succ} \quad t \rightarrow t'}{\text{succ } t \rightarrow \text{succ } t'}$$

$$\frac{\text{E-Pred} \quad t \rightarrow t'}{\text{pred } t \rightarrow \text{pred } t'}$$

$$\text{E-PredZero} \quad \text{pred } 0 \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{E-PredSucc} \quad \text{pred } (\text{succ } nv) \rightarrow nv$$

$$\text{E-IfTrue} \quad \text{if true then } t_2 \text{ else } t_3 \rightarrow t_2$$

$$\text{E-IfFalse} \quad \text{if false then } t_2 \text{ else } t_3 \rightarrow t_3$$

$$\frac{\text{E-If} \quad t_1 \rightarrow t'_1}{\text{if } t_1 \text{ then } t_2 \text{ else } t_3 \rightarrow \text{if } t'_1 \text{ then } t_2 \text{ else } t_3}$$

Exercise: what happens to our type system when we omit the rule?

Evaluation rules of **NB** (SOS)

```

% eval(pred(zero),zero).
eval(pred(succ(NV)),NV) :- nvalue(NV).
eval(succ(T1),succ(T2)) :- eval(T1,T2).
eval(pred(T1),pred(T2)) :- eval(T1,T2).
eval(iszero(zero),true).
eval(iszero(succ(NV)),false) :- nvalue(NV).
eval(iszero(T1),iszero(T2)) :- eval(T1,T2).
eval(if(true,T2,_),T2).
eval(if(false,_,T3),T3).
eval(if(T1,T2,T3),if(T4,T2,T3)) :- eval(T1,T4).

```

Disfavored semantics

Note: appearances of metavariables in SOS translate into tests for values.

Reflexive, transitive closure

`manysteps(V,V) :- value(V).`

`manysteps(T1,V) :- eval(T1,T2), manysteps(T2,V).`

This is like \rightarrow^* in the formal setup, and the predicate works for any language with a binary reduction relation `eval/2`.

Composing everything

```
:- [...]. % Import syntax and semantics
```

```
:- [...]. % Import main predicate
```

```
:-
```

```
current_prolog_flag(argv,Argv),  
( append(_,['--',Input],Argv), main(Input), halt; true ).
```

Hence, we can invoke the language processor from the command-line prompt.


```
main(Input)
```

```
:-
```

```
    see(Input), read(Term), seen,  
    format('Input term: ~w~n',[Term]),  
    manysteps(Term,X),  
    show(X,Y),  
    format('Value of term: ~w~n',[Y]).
```

```
show(zero,0) :- !.
```

```
show(succ(X),Z) :- !, show(X,Y), Z is Y + 1.
```

```
show(X,X).
```

Running the **NB** interpreter

```
$ swipl -q -f main.pro -- ../samples/sample1.nb
```

```
Input term: if(iszero(pred(succ(zero))),zero,succ(succ(zero)))
```

```
Value of term: 0
```

```
$
```

The untyped lambda calculus

<https://slps.svn.sourceforge.net/svnroot/slps/topics/semantics/lambda/>

Formalization of the lambda calculus

- Syntax

$t ::= x$

$\lambda x.t$

Terms

$t t$

$v ::= \lambda x.t$

Values (normal forms)

- Evaluation

$$\frac{t_1 \rightarrow t_1'}{t_1 t_2 \rightarrow t_1' t_2}$$

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$$(\lambda x.t) v \rightarrow [v/x]t$$

Syntax of the untyped lambda calculus

$\text{term}(\text{var}(X)) \text{ :- variable}(X).$

$\text{term}(\text{app}(T1, T2)) \text{ :- term}(T1), \text{term}(T2).$

$\text{term}(\text{lam}(X, T)) \text{ :- variable}(X), \text{term}(T).$

$\text{value}(\text{lam}(X, T)) \text{ :- variable}(X), \text{term}(T).$

$\text{variable}(X) \text{ :- atom}(X).$

Variables are
Prolog atoms.

λ : sample term

```
app(app(app(
% TEST (if-then-else)
lam(l,lam(m,lam(n,app(app(var(l),var(m)),var(n))))),
% Church Boolean True
lam(t,lam(f,var(t)))),
% Church Numeral 0
lam(s,lam(z,var(z))),
% Church Numeral 1
lam(s,lam(z,app(var(s),var(z)))))).
```

We illustrate Church Booleans and numerals. That is, we use a conditional (TEST) to select either C0 or C1.

Evaluation rules of the untyped lambda calculus

$\text{eval}(\text{app}(T1, T2), \text{app}(T3, T2)) :-$
 $\text{eval}(T1, T3).$

$\text{eval}(\text{app}(V, T1), \text{app}(V, T2)) :-$
 $\text{value}(V),$
 $\text{eval}(T1, T2).$

$\text{eval}(\text{app}(\text{lam}(X, T1), V), T2) :-$
 $\text{value}(V),$
 $\text{substitute}(V, X, T1, T2).$

Substitution (as needed for beta reduction) is the interesting part--both in the formal setting, and in Prolog.

Substitution

$$[N/x]x = N$$

$$[N/x]y = y, y \text{ any variable different from } x$$

$$[N/x](M_1 M_2) = ([N/x]M_1) ([N/x]M_2)$$

$$[N/x](\lambda x.M) = \lambda x.M$$

$$[N/x](\lambda y.M) = \lambda y.([N/x]M), y \text{ not free in } N$$

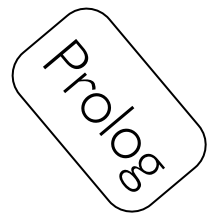
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Substitution 1/3



substitute(N,X,var(X),N).

substitute(_,X,var(Y),var(Y))

:-

\+ X == Y.

The simple
cases

substitute(N,X,app(M1,M2),app(M3,M4))

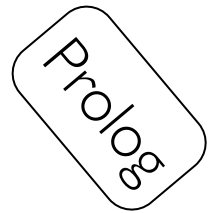
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substitute(N,X,M1,M3),

substitute(N,X,M2,M4).

substitute(_,X,lam(X,M),lam(X,M)).

Substitution 2/3



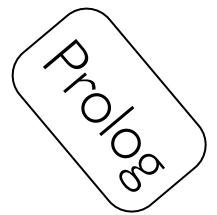
$\text{substitute}(N, X, \text{lam}(Y, M1), \text{lam}(Y, M2))$

:-

$\backslash+ X == Y,$
 $\text{freevars}(N, Xs),$
 $\backslash+ \text{member}(Y, Xs),$
 $\text{substitute}(N, X, M1, M2).$

Push down substitution into the body of the lambda abstraction if its bound variable Y does not occur freely in the target expression N .

Substitution 3/3



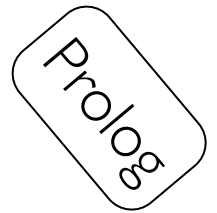
$\text{substitute}(N, X, \text{lam}(Y, M1), \text{lam}(Z, M3))$

:-

$\backslash + X == Y,$
 $\text{freevars}(N, Xs),$
 $\text{member}(Y, Xs),$
 $\text{freshvar}(Xs, Z),$
 $\text{substitute}(\text{var}(Z), Y, M1, M2),$
 $\text{substitute}(N, X, M2, M3).$

If Y occurs freely in N , then we need to perform alpha conversion for Y . Hence, we find a fresh variable and convert the body $M1$ before we continue with the original substitution.

Free variables



```
freshvar(Xs,X)
:-
  freshvar(Xs,X,0).
```

```
freshvar(Xs,N,N)
:-
  \+ member(N,Xs).
```

```
freshvar(Xs,X,N1)
:-
  member(N1,Xs),
  N2 is N1 + 1,
  freshvar(Xs,X,N2).
```

We use numbers as generated variables. We find the smallest number X that is not in Xs .

An applied, untyped lambda calculus

<https://slps.svn.sourceforge.net/svnroot/slps/topics/semantics/lambda/>

Syntax of the applied, untyped lambda calculus

- `:- multifile term/1.`
- `:- ['./untyped/term.pro'].`
- `:- ['./../nb/untyped/term.pro'].`

- `:- multifile value/1.`
- `:- ['./untyped/value.pro'].`
- `:- ['./../nb/untyped/value.pro'].`

We merge the syntax of NB and lambda calculus. In this manner, we get an applied lambda calculus (with all the applied bits of NB).

λ : sample term

```
app(app(  
  % Twice function  
  lam(f,lam(x,app(var(f),app(var(f),var(x))))),  
  % Increment function  
  lam(x,succ(var(x)))),  
  % 2  
  succ(succ(zero))).
```

evaluates to 4

λ : sample term

```
app(app(
```

evaluates to false

```
% CBV fixed point combinator
```

```
lam(f,app(
    lam(x,app(var(f),lam(y,app(app(var(x),var(x)),var(y))))),
    lam(x,app(var(f),lam(y,app(app(var(x),var(x)),var(y))))))
```

```
% iseven
```

```
lam(e,lam(x,if(
    iszero(var(x)),
    true,
    if(
        iszero(pred(var(x))),
        false,
        app(var(e),pred(pred(var(x))))))))))
```

We construct the recursive iseven function and apply it to 3.

```
% Argument to be tested
```

```
succ(succ(succ(zero)))
```

```
).
```


Evaluation rules

the applied, untyped lambda calculus

- `:- multifile eval/2.`
- `:- multifile substitute/4.`
- `:- multifile freevars/2.`
- `:- ['../untyped/eval.pro'].`
- `:- ['../..../nb/untyped/eval.pro'].`
- `:- ['substitute.pro'].`
- `:- ['freevars.pro'].`

Essentially, we merge the evaluation rules for NB and the untyped lambda calculus. However, we also need to upgrade substitution to cope with NB's construct.

Substitution for applied part

```
substitute(_,_,true,true).
substitute(_,_,false,false).
substitute(_,_,zero,zero).
substitute(N,X,succ(T1),succ(T2)) :- substitute(N,X,T1,T2).
substitute(N,X,pred(T1),pred(T2)) :- substitute(N,X,T1,T2).
substitute(N,X,iszero(T1),iszero(T2)) :- substitute(N,X,T1,T2).
substitute(N,X,if(T1a,T2a,T3a),if(T1b,T2b,T3b))
```

:-

```
substitute(N,X,T1a,T1b),
substitute(N,X,T2a,T2b),
substitute(N,X,T3a,T3b).
```

This is all trivial code. We simply push substitution into NB's terms.

Free variables for applied part

```
freevars(true, []).
freevars(false, []).
freevars(zero, []).
freevars(succ(T), FV) :- freevars(T, FV).
freevars(pred(T), FV) :- freevars(T, FV).
freevars(iszero(T), FV) :- freevars(T, FV).
freevars(if(T1, T2, T3), FV) :-
    freevars(T1, FV1),
    freevars(T2, FV2),
    freevars(T3, FV3),
    union(FV1, FV2, FV12),
    union(FV12, FV3, FV).
```

This is all trivial code. We simply traverse (and union) over NB's terms.



- **Summary:** *The untyped lambda calculus*
 - ♦ *A concise core of functional programming.*
 - ♦ *A foundation of computability.*
 - ♦ *A Prolog model is again straightforward.*
- **Prepping:** *“Types and Programming Languages”*
 - ♦ *Chapter 5*
- **Outlook:**
 - ♦ *The simply-typed lambda calculus*