

λ -calculus goes to the tropics

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Differential/resource/Taylor approximation

“Approximate” MN via $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{n!} (D^n M \bullet N^n) 0$.

	Analysis	Differential λ -calculus
Same shape of $\mathcal{T}(\cdot)$	$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{n!} (D^n f \bullet x^n) 0$	$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{n!} (D^n M \bullet N^n) 0$
Recover a complicated object from simple ones	monomials (simple = finite degree)	Resource terms, i.e. of shape $(D^n M \bullet N^n) 0$ (simple = <i>fixed number</i> of duplications allowed)
Interpretation of $D(\cdot) \bullet (\cdot)$	The usual differential	A generalisation of it
Can be <i>used as</i> an approximation technique	Yes	Yes
Meaning of “to approximate”	Can control the <i>distance</i> between simple objects and the complicated one	

Metric semantics, i.e. control error amplification

Yes for the *linear* (and *affine*) $ST\lambda C$

The category pMET of pseudo-metric spaces and non-expansive functions is SMCC.

No for $ST\lambda C$

pMET is *not* CCC (However it contains several interesting sub-CCC)

Yes for **bounded-duplication** calculi

The maps $X \mapsto \mathcal{M}_{\leq n}(X)$ lift to functors $!_n : \text{pMET} \rightarrow \text{pMET}$ forming a graded linear exponential comonad on pMET .

A program

$$\vdash M : !_n X \rightarrow Y$$

is interpreted as a **n-Lipschitz** function

$$\llbracket X \rrbracket \rightarrow \llbracket Y \rrbracket.$$

Two quantitative approaches to duplication

If a program calls x exactly 3 times, say $(D^3 M \bullet x^3)0$, then:

	Differential λ -calculus	Bounded-duplication calculi
$\llbracket (D^3 M \bullet x^3)0 \rrbracket$	a degree 3 function, say x^3	a 3-Lipschitz function, say $3x$

Question

Is there a way to relate this two approaches?



A tropical beach scene with palm trees and turquoise water, overlaid with a mathematical diagram. The diagram shows a horizontal arrow pointing from the expression x^3 on the left to the expression $3x$ on the right. Above the arrow, the text $\cdot := +$ is written, indicating a reduction step in lambda calculus.

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Tropicalisation

Tropical semiring

\mathbb{L} is the semiring $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \cup \{+\infty\}$ with \min as sum and $+$ as product. Equivalently, it is a quantale with \geq as order and $+$ as product.

The zero is $+\infty$, and sum is idempotent: $\min\{x, x\} = x$.

$$x^3 \xrightarrow{\cdot := +} 3x$$

$$\sum_n a_n x^n \xrightarrow{+ := \inf, \cdot := +} \inf_n \{a_n + nx\}$$

Tropical relational model: the category $\mathbb{L}\text{Rel}$

Objects: sets; Morphisms $X \rightarrow Y$: maps $X \times Y \rightarrow \mathbb{L}$.

Composition of $X \xrightarrow{t} Y$ and $Y \xrightarrow{s} Z$:

$$(s \circ t)_{a,c} := \inf_{b \in Y} \{s_{b,c} + t_{a,b}\}.$$

In $\mathbb{L}\text{Rel}^{\text{op}}$ you find the usual undergraduate linear algebra formulas for the product matrix-matrix and matrix-vector. Here we use the transpose ones, so that:

$\mathbb{L}\text{Rel}(X, Y) \simeq$ the set of linear maps from the \mathbb{L} -semimodule \mathbb{L}^X to \mathbb{L}^Y .

Model of the *linear* $\text{ST}\lambda\text{C}$ (or IMLL)

$\mathbb{L}\text{Rel}$ is SMCC w.r.t. the tensor product \otimes and internal hom \multimap which act, on objects, as the Cartesian product.

Modeling duplications/erasures

The SMCC $\mathbb{L}\text{Rel}$ is Lafont w.r.t. the comonad $!$ which acts, on objects, as the finite multisets operator. Thus:

Model of $\text{ST}\lambda\mathcal{C}$

The coKleisli $\mathbb{L}\text{Rel}_!$ is CCC.

Model of $\text{ST}\partial\lambda\mathcal{C}$

$\mathbb{L}\text{Rel}_!$ is $\text{CC}\partial\mathcal{C}$ w.r.t. the differential $D : \mathbb{L}\text{Rel}(!X, Y) \rightarrow \mathbb{L}\text{Rel}(!(X + X), Y)$:

$$(Df)_{\mu \oplus \rho, b} := f_{\rho + \mu, b} \text{ if } \#\mu = 1 \text{ and } + \infty \text{ otherwise.}$$

Taylor

In $\mathbb{L}\text{Rel}_!$ all morphisms coincide with their Taylor expansion and $\llbracket \mathcal{T}(M) \rrbracket = \llbracket M \rrbracket$.

An example with probabilities

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Knowing that M tossed true, what is the most likely choice for p s.t. the tossed occurrence is the rightmost one? I.e., when $\max\{p^2, p^2q, q^3\} = q^3$?

Solution: tropicalise + change of variables! $\llbracket M \rrbracket_1 = 3y$ iff $y \leq \frac{2}{3}x$;
 $x := -\log p$, $y := -\log(1 - p)$; The problem is equivalent to
 $-\log(1 - p) \leq -\frac{2}{3} \log p$, i.e. $1 - p \geq p^{\frac{2}{3}}$. E.g., $p = \frac{1}{4}$.

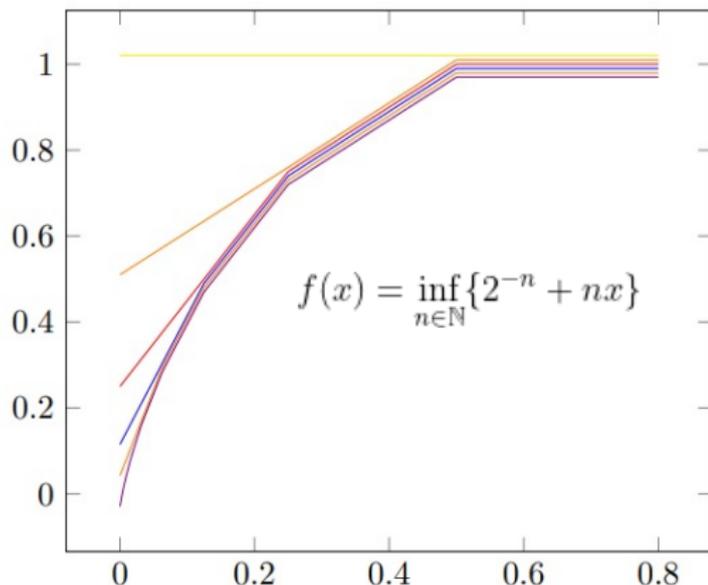
A selection of results

Expressing a coKleisli (linear) map $f : !X \rightarrow Y$ “in the base X ”, yields a *tropical Laurent series*, i.e. a (non-linear) $f : \mathbb{L}^X \rightarrow \mathbb{L}^Y$ of shape:

$$f(x)_b := \inf_{\mu \in \mathcal{M}_{\text{fin}}(X)} \{a_{\mu,b} + \mu x\}.$$

Let f as above, with $X = Y = \{*\}$. $\forall \epsilon \in (0, +\infty)$, $\exists \mathcal{F}_\epsilon \subseteq_{\text{fin}} \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $f(x)$ coincides on $[\epsilon, +\infty]$ with the tropical *polynomial* $\min_{n \in \mathcal{F}_\epsilon} \{a_n + nx\}$.

$\llbracket \Gamma \vdash_{ST\lambda C} M : X \rrbracket$ is a *locally Lipschitz* function, inf of Lipschitz ones.



Generalise: no more coordinates in a base!

Let $\mathbb{L}\text{Mod} :=$ the category of \mathbb{L} -semimodules and $\mathbb{L}\text{CCat} :=$ the one of complete Lawvere generalised metric spaces (*complete* in a stronger sense than Cauchy). E.g. the metric on the function space is the usual sup distance.

$\mathbb{L}\text{Mod}$ and $\mathbb{L}\text{CCat}$ are isomorphic categories.

Model of $\text{ST}\lambda\mathcal{C}$

$\mathbb{L}\text{Mod}$ is a SMCC and it admits a Lafont exponential $!$. Thus the coKleisli $\mathbb{L}\text{Mod}_!$ is CCC.

For semimodules of shape \mathbb{L}^X , the SMCC structure and $!$ coincide with that of $\mathbb{L}\text{Rel}$.

Model of $\text{ST}\partial\lambda\mathcal{C}$

We can define a differential operator on $\mathbb{L}\text{Mod}_!$ making it a $\text{CC}\partial\mathcal{C}$.

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