

# Logical Predicates ~~(and Relations)~~

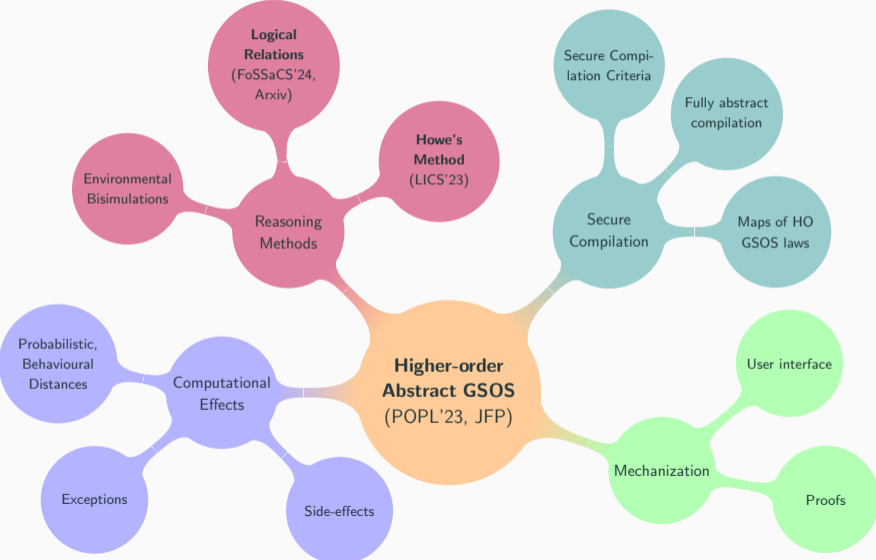
in Higher-order Mathematical Operational Semantics

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## Definition (Open extension of SN)

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\text{SN}}_{\tau}(t)(\Gamma) &= \text{For any closed substitution } (\emptyset \vdash e_n: \Gamma(n))_{n \in |\Gamma|} \\ &\quad \text{such that } \forall n \in |\Gamma|. \text{SN}_{\Gamma(n)}(e_n), \text{ then } \text{SN}_{\tau}(t[e_n/x_n]) \end{aligned}$$

## Strong Normalization

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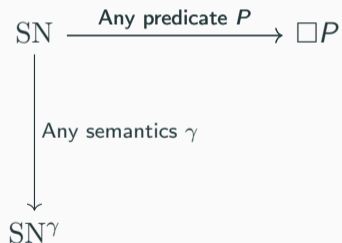
Given a substitution  $(\emptyset \vdash e_n: \Gamma(n))_{n \in |\Gamma|}$  satisfying SN, we have to:

- Push the substitution inside the  $\lambda$ -abstraction, try to prove that the whole term is in SN, for that reason consider what happens when we have terms such as  $(\lambda x: \tau_1. t') \cdot s$  with  $\text{SN}_{\tau_1}(s)$  for the substituted  $t'$ , think back to what happens during  $\beta$ -reduction, reflect on properties of substitution etc.

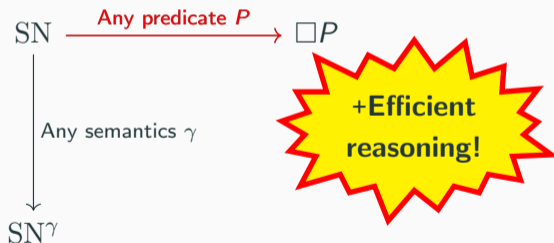
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Instantiate Lemma 70 (arXiv) on STLC with  $(\text{Lem70}.P)_{\tau}(\emptyset) = Q_{\tau}$  and  $(\text{Lem70}.P)_{\tau}(\Gamma \neq \emptyset) = \top$ . □

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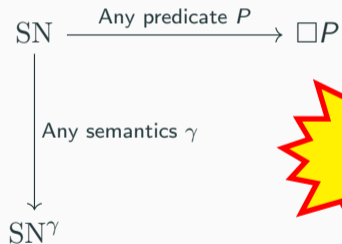
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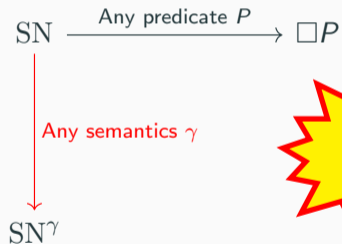
(1) and (3) are trivial, (2) is straightforward once you realize that  $\Box Q$  is an **invariant** w.r.t.  $\rightarrow$  for all  $Q$ . □

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Under certain conditions, the most important being that the predicate lifting  $\overline{B}$  is **predicate-contractive**, for every predicate  $P \multimap X$  on the state space of our coalgebra  $X \rightarrow B(X, X)$  (i.e. a program property), there exists a certain “large” predicate  $\Box P$  such that:

1.  $\Box P \leq P$
2.  $\Box P \leq c^*[\overline{B}(\Box P, \Box P)]$  (i.e.  $\Box P$  is logical)
3.  $\Box P$  is the largest  $\Box P$ -relative invariant.



# One logical predicate to rule them all

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Under certain conditions, the most important being that the predicate lifting  $\overline{B}$  is **predicate-contractive**, for every predicate  $P \rightsquigarrow X$  on the state space of our coalgebra  $X \rightarrow B(X, X)$  (i.e. a program property), there exists a certain “large” predicate  $\Box P$  such that:

1.  $\Box P \leq P$
2.  $\Box P \leq c^*[\overline{B}(\Box P, \Box P)]$  (i.e.  $\Box P$  is logical)
3.  $\Box P$  is the largest  $\Box P$ -relative invariant.

**Conclusion/translation:** The lifting being defined inductively on types is sufficient for the existence of this magical, suitable logical predicate.

# Logical Predicates proof method in the abstract

Assuming the following:

1. An initial algebra (object of terms)  $\Sigma\mu\Sigma \xrightarrow{\iota} \mu\Sigma$ ,
2. an “operational semantics” morphism  $\mu\Sigma \rightarrow B(\mu\Sigma, \mu\Sigma)$  for some bifunctor  $B: \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \times \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ ,
3. and logical predicates  $\Box(-)$ ,

the proof method of logical predicates amount to the following:

## Fundamental Property

As initial algebras have no proper subalgebras, then

$$\bar{\Sigma}(\Box P) \leq \iota^*[\Box P] \implies \Box P \cong \mu\Sigma \implies P \cong \mu\Sigma.$$

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Thank you!