

# Strong Normalisation of $\lambda\text{LJQ}$

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## Abstract

The purpose of this paper is to prove the claim in [DL06, DL07] that typed terms of  $\lambda\text{LJQ}$  are terminating.

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## 1 Techniques

### 1.1 Reminder (from e.g. [Len06]): Notations, Definitions and Basic Results

#### Definition 1 (Relations)

- We denote the composition of relations by  $\cdot$ , the identity relation by  $\text{Id}$ , and the inverse of a relation by  $^{-1}$ .
- If  $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ , we write  $\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{D})$  for  $\{M \in \mathcal{B} \mid \exists N \in \mathcal{D}, N\mathcal{R}M\}$ , or equivalently  $\bigcup_{N \in \mathcal{D}} \{M \in \mathcal{B} \mid N\mathcal{R}M\}$ . When  $\mathcal{D}$  is the singleton  $\{M\}$ , we write  $\mathcal{R}(M)$  for  $\mathcal{R}(\{M\})$ .
- We say that a relation  $\mathcal{R} : \mathcal{A} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}$  is *total* if  $\mathcal{R}^{-1}(\mathcal{B}) = \mathcal{A}$ .

**Remark 1** Composition is associative, and identity relations are neutral for the composition operation.

**Definition 2 (Reduction relation)**

- A *reduction relation* on  $\mathcal{A}$  is a relation from  $\mathcal{A}$  to  $\mathcal{A}$ .
- Given a reduction relation  $\rightarrow$  on  $\mathcal{A}$ , we define the set of  $\rightarrow$ -*reducible forms* (or just *reducible forms* when the relation is clear) as  $\text{rf}^\rightarrow := \{M \in \mathcal{A} \mid \exists N \in \mathcal{A}, M \rightarrow N\}$ . We define the set of *normal forms* as  $\text{nf}^\rightarrow := \{M \in \mathcal{A} \mid \nexists N \in \mathcal{A}, M \rightarrow N\}$ .
- Given a reduction relation  $\rightarrow$  on  $\mathcal{A}$ , we write  $\leftarrow$  for  $\rightarrow^{-1}$ , and we define  $\rightarrow^n$  by induction on the natural number  $n$  as follows:
  - $\rightarrow^0 := \text{Id}$
  - $\rightarrow^{n+1} := \rightarrow \cdot \rightarrow^n (= \rightarrow^n \cdot \rightarrow)$
  - $\rightarrow^+$  denotes the transitive closure of  $\rightarrow$  (i.e.  $\rightarrow^+ := \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \rightarrow^n$ ).
  - $\rightarrow^*$  denotes the transitive and reflexive closure of  $\rightarrow$  (i.e.  $\rightarrow^* := \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \rightarrow^n$ ).
  - $\leftrightarrow$  denotes the symmetric closure of  $\rightarrow$  (i.e.  $\leftrightarrow := \leftarrow \cup \rightarrow$ ).
  - $\leftrightarrow^*$  denotes the transitive, reflexive and symmetric closure of  $\rightarrow$ .
- An *equivalence relation* on  $\mathcal{A}$  is a transitive, reflexive and symmetric reduction relation on  $\mathcal{A}$ , i.e. a relation  $\rightarrow = \leftrightarrow^*$ , hence denoted more often by  $\sim, \equiv, \dots$
- Given a reduction relation  $\rightarrow$  on  $\mathcal{A}$  and a subset  $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ , the *closure of  $\mathcal{B}$  under  $\rightarrow$*  is  $\rightarrow^*(\mathcal{B})$ .

**Definition 3 (Finitely branching relation)** A reduction relation  $\rightarrow$  on  $\mathcal{A}$  is *finitely branching* if  $\forall M \in \mathcal{A}, \rightarrow(M)$  is finite.

**Definition 4 (Stability)** Given a reduction relation  $\rightarrow$  on  $\mathcal{A}$ , we say that a subset  $\mathcal{T}$  of  $\mathcal{A}$  is  $\rightarrow$ -*stable* (or *stable under  $\rightarrow$* ) if  $\rightarrow(\mathcal{T}) \subseteq \mathcal{T}$ .

**Definition 5 (Strong simulation)**

Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be a relation between two sets  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$ , respectively equipped with the reduction relations  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}$  and  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}$ .

$\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}$  *strongly simulates*  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}$  *through  $\mathcal{R}$*  if  $(\mathcal{R}^{-1} \cdot \rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}) \subseteq (\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}^+ \cdot \mathcal{R}^{-1})$ .

**Remark 2**

1. If  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}$  strongly simulates  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}$  through  $\mathcal{R}$ , and if  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}} \subseteq \rightarrow'_{\mathcal{B}}$  and  $\rightarrow'_{\mathcal{A}} \subseteq \rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}$ , then  $\rightarrow'_{\mathcal{B}}$  strongly simulates  $\rightarrow'_{\mathcal{A}}$  through  $\mathcal{R}$ .
2. If  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}$  strongly simulates  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}$  and  $\rightarrow'_{\mathcal{A}}$  through  $\mathcal{R}$ , then it also strongly simulates  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}} \cdot \rightarrow'_{\mathcal{A}}$  through  $\mathcal{R}$ .
3. Hence, if  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}$  strongly simulates  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}$  through  $\mathcal{R}$ , then it also strongly simulates  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}^+$  through  $\mathcal{R}$ .

**Definition 6 (Patriarchal)** Given a reduction relation  $\rightarrow$  on  $\mathcal{A}$ , we say that

- a subset  $\mathcal{T}$  of  $\mathcal{A}$  is  $\rightarrow$ -*patriarchal* (or just *patriarchal* when the relation is clear) if  $\forall N \in \mathcal{A}, \rightarrow(N) \subseteq \mathcal{T} \Rightarrow N \in \mathcal{T}$ .
- a predicate  $P$  on  $\mathcal{A}$  is *patriarchal* if  $\{M \in \mathcal{A} \mid P(M)\}$  is *patriarchal*.

**Definition 7 (Normalising elements)** Given a reduction relation  $\rightarrow$  on  $\mathcal{A}$ , the set of  $\rightarrow$ -strongly normalising elements is

$$SN^{\rightarrow} := \bigcap_{\tau \text{ is patriarchal}} \mathcal{T}$$

**Definition 8 (Bounded elements)** The set of  $\rightarrow$ -bounded elements is defined as

$$BN^{\rightarrow} := \bigcup_{n \geq 0} BN_n^{\rightarrow}$$

where  $BN_n^{\rightarrow}$  is defined by induction on the natural number  $n$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} BN_0^{\rightarrow} &:= nf^{\rightarrow} \\ BN_{n+1}^{\rightarrow} &:= \{M \in \mathcal{A} \mid \exists n' \leq n, \rightarrow(M) \subseteq BN_{n'}^{\rightarrow}\} \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 3** *If  $\rightarrow$  is finitely branching, then  $BN^{\rightarrow}$  is patriarchal. As a consequence,  $BN^{\rightarrow} = SN^{\rightarrow}$ .*

**Lemma 4**

1. *If  $n < n'$  then  $BN_n^{\rightarrow} \subseteq BN_{n'}^{\rightarrow} \subseteq BN^{\rightarrow}$ . In particular,  $nf^{\rightarrow} \subseteq BN_n^{\rightarrow} \subseteq BN^{\rightarrow}$ .*
2.  *$BN^{\rightarrow} \subseteq SN^{\rightarrow}$ .*

**Lemma 5**

1.  *$SN^{\rightarrow}$  is patriarchal.*
2. *If  $M \in BN^{\rightarrow}$  then  $\rightarrow(M) \subseteq BN^{\rightarrow}$ .  
If  $M \in SN^{\rightarrow}$  then  $\rightarrow(M) \subseteq SN^{\rightarrow}$ .*

**Theorem 6 (Induction principle)** *Given a predicate  $P$  on  $\mathcal{A}$ , suppose  $\forall M \in SN^{\rightarrow}, (\forall N \in \rightarrow(M), P(N)) \Rightarrow P(M)$ . Then  $\forall M \in SN^{\rightarrow}, P(M)$ .*

*When we use this theorem to prove a statement  $P(M)$  for all  $M$  in  $SN^{\rightarrow}$ , we just add  $(\forall N \in \rightarrow(M), P(N))$  to the assumptions, which we call the induction hypothesis.*

*We say that we prove the statement by induction in  $SN^{\rightarrow}$ .*

**Lemma 7**

1. *If  $\rightarrow_1 \subseteq \rightarrow_2$ , then  $nf^{\rightarrow_1} \supseteq nf^{\rightarrow_2}$ ,  $SN^{\rightarrow_1} \supseteq SN^{\rightarrow_2}$ , and for all  $n$ ,  $BN_n^{\rightarrow_1} \supseteq BN_n^{\rightarrow_2}$ .*
2.  *$nf^{\rightarrow} = nf^{\rightarrow^+}$ ,  $SN^{\rightarrow} = SN^{\rightarrow^+}$ , and for all  $n$ ,  $BN_n^{\rightarrow^+} = BN_n^{\rightarrow}$ .*

Notice that this result enables us to use a stronger induction principle: in order to prove  $\forall M \in SN^{\rightarrow}, P(M)$ , it now suffices to prove

$$\forall M \in SN^{\rightarrow}, (\forall N \in \rightarrow^+(M), P(N)) \Rightarrow P(M)$$

This induction principle is called the *transitive induction in  $SN^{\rightarrow}$* .

**Theorem 8 (Strong normalisation by strong simulation)** *Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be a relation between  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$ , equipped with the reduction relations  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}$  and  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}$ .*

*If  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}$  strongly simulates  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}$  through  $\mathcal{R}$ , then  $\mathcal{R}^{-1}(SN^{\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}}) \subseteq SN^{\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}}$ .*

**Lemma 9** *Given two reduction relations  $\rightarrow_1, \rightarrow_2$ , suppose that  $SN^{\rightarrow_1}$  is stable under  $\rightarrow_2$ . Then  $SN^{\rightarrow_1 \cup \rightarrow_2} = SN^{\rightarrow_1^* \cdot \rightarrow_2} \cap SN^{\rightarrow_1}$ .*

## 1.2 A variant of adjournment for boundedness

**Definition 9** Suppose  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}$  is a reduction relation on  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}$  is a reduction relation on  $\mathcal{B}$ ,  $\mathcal{R}$  is a relation from  $\mathcal{A}$  to  $\mathcal{B}$ .

$\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}$  simulates the reduction lengths of  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}$  through  $\mathcal{R}$  if

$$\forall k, \forall M, N \in \mathcal{A}, \forall P \in \mathcal{B}, M \rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}^k N \wedge M\mathcal{R}P \Rightarrow \exists Q \in \mathcal{B}, P \rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}^k Q$$

**Lemma 10** Suppose  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}$  is a reduction relation on  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}$  is a reduction relation on  $\mathcal{B}$ ,  $\mathcal{R}$  is a relation from  $\mathcal{A}$  to  $\mathcal{B}$ .

If  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}$  strongly simulates  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}$  through  $\mathcal{R}$ , then  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}$  simulates the reduction lengths of  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}$  through  $\mathcal{R}$ .

**Proof:** We prove by induction on  $k$  that  $\forall k, \forall M, N \in \mathcal{A}^2, \forall P \in \mathcal{B}, M \rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}^k N \wedge M\mathcal{R}P \Rightarrow \exists Q, P \rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}^k Q$ .

- For  $k = 0$ : take  $Q := M = N$ .
- Suppose it is true for  $k$  and take  $M \rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}} M' \rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}^k N$ . The strong simulation gives  $P'$  such that  $P \rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}^+ P'$  and  $M'\mathcal{R}P'$ . The induction hypothesis gives  $Q'$  such that  $P' \rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}^k Q'$ . Then it suffices to take the prefix  $P \rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}^{k+1} Q$  (of length  $k + 1$ ) of  $P \rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}^+ P' \rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}^k Q'$ .

□

**Lemma 11**  $\forall n, \forall M, (\forall k, \forall N, M \rightarrow^k N \Rightarrow k \leq n) \iff M \in \text{BN}_n^{\rightarrow}$

**Proof:** By transitive induction on  $n$ .

- For  $n = 0$ : clearly both sides are equivalent to  $M \in \text{nf}^{\rightarrow}$ .
- Suppose it is true for all  $i \leq n$ .

Suppose  $\forall k, \forall N, M \rightarrow^k N \Rightarrow k \leq n + 1$ . Then take  $M \rightarrow M'$  and assume  $M' \rightarrow^{k'} N'$ . We have  $M \rightarrow^{k'+1} N'$  so from the hypothesis we derive  $k' + 1 \leq n + 1$ , i.e.  $k' \leq n$ . We apply the induction hypothesis on  $M'$  and get  $M' \in \text{BN}_n^{\rightarrow}$ . By definition of  $\text{BN}_{n+1}^{\rightarrow}$  we get  $M \in \text{BN}_{n+1}^{\rightarrow}$ .

Conversely, suppose  $M \in \text{BN}_{n+1}^{\rightarrow}$  and  $M \rightarrow^k N$ . We must prove that  $k \leq n + 1$ . If  $k = 0$  we are done. If  $k = k' + 1$  we have  $M \rightarrow M' \rightarrow^{k'} N$ ; by definition of  $\text{BN}_{n+1}^{\rightarrow}$  there is  $i \leq n$  such that  $M' \in \text{BN}_i^{\rightarrow}$ , and by induction hypothesis we have  $k' \leq i$ ; hence  $k = k' + 1 \leq i + 1 \leq n + 1$ .

□

**Theorem 12** Suppose  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}$  is a reduction relation on  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}$  is a reduction relation on  $\mathcal{B}$ ,  $\mathcal{R}$  is a relation from  $\mathcal{A}$  to  $\mathcal{B}$ .

If  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}$  simulates the reduction lengths of  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}$  through  $\mathcal{R}$ , then

$$\forall n, \mathcal{R}^{-1}(\text{BN}_n^{\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}}) \subseteq \text{BN}_n^{\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}} \quad (\subseteq \text{SN}^{\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}})$$

**Proof:** Suppose  $N \in \text{BN}_n^{\rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}}$  and  $M\mathcal{R}N$ . If  $M \rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}^k M'$  then by simulation  $N \rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}^k N'$  so by Lemma 11 we have  $k \leq n$ . Hence by (the other direction of) Lemma 11 we have  $M \in \text{BN}_n^{\rightarrow_{\mathcal{A}}}$ . □

**Definition 10** Let  $\rightarrow_1$  and  $\rightarrow_2$  be two reduction relations on  $\mathcal{A}$ . The relation  $\rightarrow_1$  can be *strongly adjourned with respect to*  $\rightarrow_2$  if whenever  $M \rightarrow_1 N \rightarrow_2 P$  there exists  $Q$  such that  $M \rightarrow_2 Q(\rightarrow_1 \cup \rightarrow_2)^+ P$ .

**Theorem 13** Let  $\rightarrow_1$  and  $\rightarrow_2$  be two reduction relations on  $\mathcal{A}$ . If  $\text{nf}^{\rightarrow_2} \subseteq \text{nf}^{\rightarrow_1}$  and  $\rightarrow_1$  can be strongly adjourned with respect to  $\rightarrow_2$  then  $\text{BN}^{\rightarrow_2} \subseteq \text{BN}^{\rightarrow_1 \cup \rightarrow_2}$ .

**Proof:** From Theorem 12, it suffices to show that  $\rightarrow_2$  simulates the reduction lengths of  $\rightarrow_1 \cup \rightarrow_2$  through the identity. We show by induction on  $k$  that

$$\forall k, \forall M, N, M(\rightarrow_1 \cup \rightarrow_2)^k N \Rightarrow \exists Q, M \rightarrow_2^k Q$$

- For  $k = 0$ : take  $Q := M$
- For  $k = 1$ : If  $M \rightarrow_2 N$  take  $Q := N$ ; if  $M \rightarrow_1 N$  use the hypothesis  $\text{nf}^{\rightarrow_2} \subseteq \text{nf}^{\rightarrow_1}$  to produce  $Q$  such that  $M \rightarrow_2 Q$ .
- Suppose it is true for  $k + 1$  and take  $M(\rightarrow_1 \cup \rightarrow_2)P(\rightarrow_1 \cup \rightarrow_2)^{k+1}N$ .

The induction hypothesis provides  $T$  such that  $P \rightarrow_2^{k+1} T$ , in other words  $P \rightarrow_2 S \rightarrow_2^k T$ .

If  $M \rightarrow_2 P$  we are done. If  $M \rightarrow_1 P$  we use the hypothesis of adjournment to transform  $M \rightarrow_1 P \rightarrow_2 S$  into  $M \rightarrow_2 P'(\rightarrow_1 \cup \rightarrow_2)^+ S$ . Take the prefix  $P'(\rightarrow_1 \cup \rightarrow_2)^{k+1}R$  (of length  $k + 1$ ) of  $P'(\rightarrow_1 \cup \rightarrow_2)^+ S \rightarrow_2^k T$ , and apply on this prefix the induction hypothesis to get  $P' \rightarrow_2^{k+1} R$ . We thus get  $M \rightarrow_2^{k+2} R$ .

□

## 2 Termination of $\lambda$ -calculus with an extra call-by-value rule

We consider the following rule in  $\lambda$ -calculus:

$$\text{assoc} \quad (\lambda x.M) ((\lambda y.N) P) \longrightarrow (\lambda y.(\lambda x.M) N) P$$

We want to prove

**Proposition 1**  $\text{SN}^\beta \subseteq \text{SN}^{\text{assoc}\beta}$ .

**Lemma 14**  $\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc}}$  is terminating in  $\lambda$ -calculus.

**Proof:** Each application of the rule decreases by one the number of pairs of  $\lambda$  that are not nested. □

To prove Proposition 1 above, it would thus be sufficient to prove that  $\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc}}$  could be adjourned with respect to  $\longrightarrow_\beta$ , in other words that  $\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc}} \cdot \longrightarrow_\beta \subseteq \longrightarrow_\beta \cdot \longrightarrow_{\text{assoc}\beta}^*$  (the adjournment technique leads directly to the desired strong normalisation result). When trying to prove the property by induction and case analysis on the  $\beta$ -reduction following the  $\text{assoc}$ -reduction to be adjourned, all cases allow the adjournment but one, namely:

$$(\lambda x.M) ((\lambda y.N) P) \longrightarrow_{\text{assoc}} (\lambda y.(\lambda x.M) N) P \longrightarrow_\beta (\lambda y. \{ \frac{N}{x} \} M) P$$

Hence, we shall assume without loss of generality that the  $\beta$ -reduction is not of the above kind. For that we need to identify a sub-relation of  $\beta$ -reduction  $\hookrightarrow$  such that

- $\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc}}$  can now be adjourned with respect to  $\hookrightarrow$
- we can justify that there is no loss of generality.

For this we give ourselves the possibility of marking  $\lambda$ -redexes and forbid reductions under their (marked) bindings, so that, if in the **assoc**-reduction above we make sure that  $(\lambda y.(\lambda x.M) N) P$  is marked, the problematic  $\beta$ -reduction is forbidden.

Hence we use the usual notation for a marked redex  $(\bar{\lambda}y.Q) P$ , but we can also see it as the construct **let**  $y = P$  in  $Q$  of  $\lambda_C$  [Mog88] and other works on call-by-value  $\lambda$ -calculus. We start with a reminder about marked redexes.

**Definition 11** The syntax of the  $\lambda$ -calculus is extended as follows:

$$M, N ::= x \mid \lambda x.M \mid M N \mid (\bar{\lambda}x.M) N$$

Reduction is given by the following system  $\beta_{12}$ :

$$\begin{array}{l} \beta_1 \quad (\lambda x.M) N \longrightarrow \{M/x\}N \\ \beta_2 \quad (\bar{\lambda}x.M) N \longrightarrow \{M/x\}N \end{array}$$

The forgetful projection onto  $\lambda$ -calculus is straightforward:

$$\begin{array}{l} \phi(x) \quad \quad \quad := x \\ \phi(\lambda x.M) \quad \quad := \lambda x.\phi(M) \\ \phi(M N) \quad \quad \quad := \phi(M) \phi(N) \\ \phi((\bar{\lambda}x.M) N) \quad := (\lambda x.\phi(M)) \phi(N) \end{array}$$

**Remark 15** Clearly,  $\longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}$  strongly simulates  $\longrightarrow_{\beta}$  through  $\phi^{-1}$  and  $\longrightarrow_{\beta}$  strongly simulates  $\longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}$  through  $\phi$ .

## 2.1 Reducing under $\bar{\lambda}$ and erasing $\bar{\lambda}$ can be strongly adjourned

In this section we identify the reduction notion  $\hookrightarrow$  ( $\subseteq \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}$ ) and we argue against the loss of generality by proving that  $\longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}$  can be strongly adjourned with respect to  $\hookrightarrow$ .

We thus split the reduction system  $\beta_{12}$  into two cases depending on whether or not a reduction throws away an argument that contains some markings:

**Definition 12**

$$\begin{array}{l} \beta_{\kappa} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\lambda x.M) P \longrightarrow M \quad \text{if } x \notin \text{FV}(M) \text{ and there is a term } (\bar{\lambda}x.N) Q \sqsubseteq P \\ (\bar{\lambda}x.M) P \longrightarrow M \quad \text{if } x \notin \text{FV}(M) \text{ and there is a term } (\bar{\lambda}x.N) Q \sqsubseteq P \end{array} \right. \\ \beta_{\bar{\kappa}} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\lambda x.M) P \longrightarrow M \quad \text{if } x \in \text{FV}(M) \text{ or there is no term } (\bar{\lambda}x.N) Q \sqsubseteq P \\ (\bar{\lambda}x.M) P \longrightarrow M \quad \text{if } x \in \text{FV}(M) \text{ or there is no term } (\bar{\lambda}x.N) Q \sqsubseteq P \end{array} \right. \end{array}$$

**Remark 16** Clearly,  $\longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}} = \longrightarrow_{\beta_{\kappa}} \cup \longrightarrow_{\beta_{\bar{\kappa}}}$ .

No we distinguish whether or not a reduction occurs underneath a marked redex, via the following rule and the following notion of contextual closure:

**Definition 13**

$$\bar{\beta} \quad (\bar{\lambda}x.M) P \longrightarrow (\bar{\lambda}x.N) P \quad \text{if } M \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}} N$$

Now we define a weak notion of contextual closure for a rewriting system  $i$ :

$$\frac{i : M \longrightarrow N}{M \rightarrow_i N} \quad \frac{M \rightarrow_i N}{\lambda x.M \rightarrow_i \lambda x.N} \quad \frac{M \rightarrow_i N}{M P \rightarrow_i N P} \quad \frac{M \rightarrow_i N}{P M \rightarrow_i P N}$$

$$\frac{M \rightarrow_i N}{(\bar{\lambda}x.P) M \rightarrow_i (\bar{\lambda}x.P) N}$$

Finally we use the following abbreviations:

**Definition 14** Let  $\hookrightarrow := \rightarrow_{\beta\bar{\kappa}}$  and  $\rightsquigarrow_1 := \rightarrow_{\beta\kappa}$  and  $\rightsquigarrow_2 := \rightarrow_{\bar{\beta}}$ .

**Remark 17** Clearly,  $\longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}} = \hookrightarrow \cup \rightsquigarrow_1 \cup \rightsquigarrow_2$ .

**Lemma 18** If  $(\bar{\lambda}x.N) Q \sqsubseteq P$ , then there is  $P'$  such that  $P \hookrightarrow P'$ .

**Proof:** By induction on  $P$

- The case  $P = y$  is vacuous.
- For  $P = \lambda y.M$ , we have  $(\bar{\lambda}x.N) Q \sqsubseteq M$  and the induction hypothesis provides  $M \hookrightarrow M'$ , so  $\lambda y.M \hookrightarrow \lambda y.M'$ .
- For  $P = M_1 M_2$ , we have either  $(\bar{\lambda}x.N) Q \sqsubseteq M_1$  or  $(\bar{\lambda}x.N) Q \sqsubseteq M_2$ . In the former case the induction hypothesis provides  $M_1 \hookrightarrow M'_1$ , so  $M_1 M_2 \hookrightarrow M'_1 M_2$ . The latter case is similar.
- Suppose  $P = (\bar{\lambda}y.M_1) M_2$ . If there is a term  $(\bar{\lambda}x'.N') Q' \sqsubseteq M_2$ , the induction hypothesis provides  $M_2 \hookrightarrow M'_2$ , so  $(\bar{\lambda}y.M_1) M_2 \hookrightarrow (\bar{\lambda}y.M_1) M'_2$ . If there is no such term  $(\bar{\lambda}x'.N') Q' \sqsubseteq M_2$ , we have  $(\bar{\lambda}y.M_1) M_2 \hookrightarrow \{M_2/y\}M_1$ .

□

**Lemma 19**  $\rightsquigarrow_1 \subseteq \hookrightarrow \cdot \rightsquigarrow_1$

**Proof:** By induction on the reduction step  $\rightsquigarrow_1$ .

For the base cases  $(\lambda x.M) P \longrightarrow_{\beta\kappa} M$  or  $(\bar{\lambda}x.M) P \longrightarrow_{\beta\kappa} M$  with  $x \notin \text{FV}(M)$  and  $(\bar{\lambda}y.N) Q \sqsubseteq P$ , Lemma 18 provides the reduction  $P \hookrightarrow P'$ , so  $(\lambda x.M) P \hookrightarrow (\lambda x.M) P' \rightsquigarrow_1 M$  and  $(\bar{\lambda}x.M) P \hookrightarrow (\bar{\lambda}x.M) P' \rightsquigarrow_1 M$ .

The induction step is straightforward as the same contextual closure is used on both sides (namely, the weak one). □

**Lemma 20**  $\rightsquigarrow_2 \cdot \hookrightarrow \subseteq \hookrightarrow \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}^+$

**Proof:** By induction on the reduction step  $\hookrightarrow$ .

- For the base case where the  $\beta\bar{\kappa}$ -reduction is a  $\beta_2$ -reduction, we have  $M \rightsquigarrow_2 (\bar{\lambda}x.N) P \hookrightarrow \{P/x\}N$  with  $x \in \text{FV}(N)$  or  $P$  has no marked redex as a subterm. We do a case analysis on the reduction step  $M \rightsquigarrow_2 (\bar{\lambda}x.N) P$ .  
If  $M = (\bar{\lambda}x.N') P \rightsquigarrow_2 (\bar{\lambda}x.N) P$  because  $N' \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}} N$  then  $(\bar{\lambda}x.N') P \hookrightarrow \{P/x\}N' \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}} \{P/x\}N$ .  
If  $M = (\bar{\lambda}x.N) P' \rightsquigarrow_2 (\bar{\lambda}x.N) P$  because  $P' \rightsquigarrow_2 P$ , then it means that  $P$  has a marked redex as a subterm, so we must have  $x \in \text{FV}(N)$ . Hence  $(\bar{\lambda}x.N) P' \hookrightarrow \{P'/x\}N \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}^+ \{P/x\}N$ .

- For the base case where the  $\beta\bar{K}$ -reduction is a  $\beta 1$ -reduction, we have  $M \rightsquigarrow_2 (\lambda x.N) P \hookrightarrow \{P/x\}N$  with  $x \in \text{FV}(N)$  or  $P$  has no marked redex as a subterm. We do a case analysis on the reduction step  $M \rightsquigarrow_2 (\lambda x.N) P$ .  
 If  $M = M' P \rightsquigarrow_2 (\lambda x.N) P$  because  $M' \rightsquigarrow_2 \lambda x.N$  then  $M'$  must be of the form  $\lambda x.M''$  with  $M'' \rightsquigarrow_2 N$ . Then  $(\lambda x.M'') P \hookrightarrow \{P/x\}M''$  (in case  $P$  has a marked subterm, notice that  $x \in \text{FV}(N) \subseteq \text{FV}(M'')$ ), and  $\{P/x\}M'' \xrightarrow{\beta 12} \{P/x\}N$ .  
 If  $M = (\lambda x.N) P' \rightsquigarrow_2 (\lambda x.N) P$  because  $P' \rightsquigarrow_2 P$ , then it means that  $P$  has a marked redex as a subterm, so we must have  $x \in \text{FV}(N)$ . Hence  $(\lambda x.N) P' \hookrightarrow \{P'/x\}N \xrightarrow{\beta 12} \{P/x\}N$ .
- The closure under  $\lambda$  is straightforward.
- For the closure under application, left-hand side, we have  $M \rightsquigarrow_2 N P \hookrightarrow N' P$  with  $N \hookrightarrow N'$ . We do a case analysis on the reduction step  $M \rightsquigarrow_2 N P$ .  
 If  $M = M' P \rightsquigarrow_2 N P$  with  $M' \rightsquigarrow_2 N$ , the induction hypothesis gives  $M' \hookrightarrow N' \xrightarrow{\beta 12} N'$  and the weak contextual closure gives  $M' P \hookrightarrow N' P \xrightarrow{\beta 12} N' P$ .  
 If  $M = N P' \rightsquigarrow_2 N P$  with  $P' \rightsquigarrow_2 P$ , we can also derive  $N P' \hookrightarrow N' P' \xrightarrow{\beta 12} N' P$ .
- For the closure under application, right-hand side, we have  $M \rightsquigarrow_2 N P \hookrightarrow N P'$  with  $P \hookrightarrow P'$ . We do a case analysis on the reduction step  $M \rightsquigarrow_2 N P$ .  
 If  $M = M' P \rightsquigarrow_2 N P$  with  $M' \rightsquigarrow_2 N$ , we can also derive  $M' P \hookrightarrow M' P' \xrightarrow{\beta 12} N P'$ .  
 If  $M = N M' \rightsquigarrow_2 N P$  with  $M' \rightsquigarrow_2 P$ , the induction hypothesis gives  $M' \hookrightarrow P' \xrightarrow{\beta 12} P'$  and the weak contextual closure gives  $N M' \hookrightarrow N P' \xrightarrow{\beta 12} N P'$ .
- For the closure under marked redex we have  $M \rightsquigarrow_2 (\bar{\lambda}x.P) N \hookrightarrow (\bar{\lambda}x.P) N'$  with  $N \hookrightarrow N'$ . We do a case analysis on the reduction step  $M \rightsquigarrow_2 (\bar{\lambda}x.P) N$ .  
 If  $M = (\bar{\lambda}x.P') N \rightsquigarrow_2 (\bar{\lambda}x.P) N$  because  $P' \xrightarrow{\beta 12} P$ , we can also derive  $(\bar{\lambda}x.P') N \hookrightarrow (\bar{\lambda}x.P') N' \xrightarrow{\beta 12} (\bar{\lambda}x.P) N'$ .  
 If  $M = (\bar{\lambda}x.P) M' \rightsquigarrow_2 (\bar{\lambda}x.P) N$  with  $M' \rightsquigarrow_2 N$ , the induction hypothesis gives  $M' \hookrightarrow N' \xrightarrow{\beta 12} N'$  and the weak contextual closure gives  $(\bar{\lambda}x.P) M' \hookrightarrow (\bar{\lambda}x.P) N' \xrightarrow{\beta 12} (\bar{\lambda}x.P) N'$ .

□

**Corollary 21**  $\xrightarrow{\beta 12}$  can be strongly adjourned with respect to  $\hookrightarrow$ .

**Proof:** Straightforward from the last two theorems, and Remark 17. □

## 2.2 assoc-reduction

We introduce two new rules in the marked  $\lambda$ -calculus to simulate **assoc**:

$$\begin{array}{lcl} \overline{\text{assoc}} & (\bar{\lambda}x.M) (\bar{\lambda}y.N) P & \longrightarrow (\bar{\lambda}y.(\bar{\lambda}x.M) N) P \\ \text{act} & (\lambda x.M) N & \longrightarrow (\bar{\lambda}x.M) N \end{array}$$

**Remark 22** Clearly,  $\xrightarrow{\overline{\text{assoc}}\text{act}}$  strongly simulates  $\xrightarrow{\text{assoc}}$  through  $\phi^{-1}$ .



Notice that with the  $\text{let} =$  in -notation,  $\overline{\text{assoc}}$  and  $\text{act}$  are simply the rules of  $\lambda_{\mathcal{C}}$

$$\begin{array}{l} \overline{\text{assoc}} \quad \text{let } x = (\text{let } y = P \text{ in } N) \text{ in } M \quad \longrightarrow \quad \text{let } y = P \text{ in let } x = N \text{ in } M \\ \text{act} \quad (\lambda x.M) N \quad \longrightarrow \quad \text{let } x = N \text{ in } M \end{array}$$

**Lemma 23**  $\longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} \cdot \hookrightarrow \subseteq \hookrightarrow \cdot \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}}^*$

**Proof:** By induction on the reduction step  $\hookrightarrow$ .

- For the first base case, we have  $M \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} (\lambda x.N) P \hookrightarrow \{P/x\}N$  with  $x \in \text{FV}(N)$  or  $P$  has no marked subterm. Since root  $\overline{\text{assocact}}$ -reduction produces neither  $\lambda$ -abstractions nor applications at the root, note that  $M$  has to be of the form  $(\lambda x.N') P'$ , with either  $N' \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} N$  (and  $P' = P$ ) or  $P' \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} P$  (and  $N' = N$ ). In both cases,  $x \in \text{FV}(N) \subseteq \text{FV}(N')$  or  $P'$  has no marked subterm, so we also have  $(\lambda x.N') P' \hookrightarrow \{P'/x\}N' \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}}^* \{P/x\}N$ .
- For the second base case, we have  $M \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} (\bar{\lambda}x.N) P \hookrightarrow \{P/x\}N$  with  $x \in \text{FV}(N)$  or  $P$  has no marked subterm. We do a case analysis on  $M \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} (\bar{\lambda}x.N) P$ .  
 If  $M = (\bar{\lambda}x'.M_1) (\bar{\lambda}x.M_2) P \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assoc}}} (\bar{\lambda}x.(\bar{\lambda}x'.M_1) M_2) P$  with  $N = (\bar{\lambda}x'.M_1) M_2$ , we also have  $M = (\bar{\lambda}x'.M_1) (\bar{\lambda}x.M_2) P \hookrightarrow (\bar{\lambda}x'.M_1) \{P/x\}M_2 = \{P/x\}N$ .  
 If  $M = (\lambda x.N) P \longrightarrow_{\text{act}} (\bar{\lambda}x.N) P$  then  $M \hookrightarrow \{P/x\}N$ .  
 If  $M = (\bar{\lambda}x.N') P' \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} (\bar{\lambda}x.N) P$  with either  $N' \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} N$  (and  $P' = P$ ) or  $P' \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} P$  (and  $N' = N$ ), we have, in both cases,  $x \in \text{FV}(N) \subseteq \text{FV}(N')$  or  $P'$  has no marked subterm, so we also have  $(\lambda x.N') P' \hookrightarrow \{P'/x\}N' \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}}^* \{P/x\}N$ .
- The closure under  $\lambda$  is straightforward.
- For the closure under application, left-hand side, we have  $Q \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} M N \hookrightarrow M' N$  with  $M \hookrightarrow M'$ . We do a case analysis on  $Q \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} M N$ .  
 If  $Q = M'' N \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} M N$  with  $M'' \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} M$ , the induction hypothesis provides  $M'' \hookrightarrow \cdot \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}}^* M'$  so  $M'' N \hookrightarrow \cdot \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}}^* M' N$ .  
 If  $Q = M N' \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} M N$  with  $N' \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} N$ , we also have  $M N' \hookrightarrow M' N' \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} M' N$ .
- For the closure under application, right-hand side, we have  $Q \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} M N \hookrightarrow M N'$  with  $N \hookrightarrow N'$ . We do a case analysis on  $Q \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} M N$ .  
 If  $Q = M' N \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} M N$  with  $M' \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} M$ , we also have  $M' N \hookrightarrow M' N' \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} M N'$ .  
 If  $Q = M N'' \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} M N$  with  $N'' \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} N$ , the induction hypothesis provides  $N'' \hookrightarrow \cdot \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}}^* N'$  so  $M N'' \hookrightarrow \cdot \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}}^* M N'$ .
- For the closure under marked redex, the  $\hookrightarrow$ -reduction can only come from the right-hand side because of the weak contextual closure ( $\hookrightarrow$  does not reduce under  $\bar{\lambda}$ ), so we have  $Q \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} (\bar{\lambda}y.M) P \hookrightarrow (\bar{\lambda}y.M) P'$  with  $P \hookrightarrow P'$ . We do a case analysis on  $Q \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assocact}}} (\bar{\lambda}y.M) P$ .  
 If  $Q = (\bar{\lambda}x.M') (\bar{\lambda}y.N) P \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assoc}}} (\bar{\lambda}y.(\bar{\lambda}x.M') N) P$  with  $M = (\bar{\lambda}x.M') N$ , we also have  $Q = (\bar{\lambda}x.M') (\bar{\lambda}y.N) P \hookrightarrow (\bar{\lambda}x.M') (\bar{\lambda}y.N) P' \longrightarrow_{\overline{\text{assoc}}} (\bar{\lambda}y.(\bar{\lambda}x.M') N) P'$ .  
 If  $Q = (\lambda y.M) P \longrightarrow_{\text{act}} (\bar{\lambda}y.M) P$ , then we also have  $Q = (\lambda y.M) P \hookrightarrow (\lambda y.M) P' \longrightarrow_{\text{act}} (\bar{\lambda}y.M) P'$ .

□

**Lemma 24**  $\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}}^* \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}$  can be strongly adjourned with respect to  $\hookrightarrow$ .

**Proof:** We prove that  $\forall k, \longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}}^k \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}} \cdot \hookrightarrow \subseteq \hookrightarrow \cdot \longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}}^* \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}$  by induction on  $k$ .

- For  $k = 0$ , this is Corollary 21.
- Suppose it is true for  $k$ . By the induction hypothesis we get

$$\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}} \cdot \longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}}^k \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}} \cdot \hookrightarrow \subseteq \longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}} \cdot \hookrightarrow \cdot \longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}}^* \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}$$

Then by Lemma 23 we get

$$\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}} \cdot \hookrightarrow \cdot \longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}}^* \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}} \subseteq \hookrightarrow \cdot \longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}} \cdot \longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}}^* \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}$$

□

**Remark 25** Note from Lemma 18 that  $\text{nf}^{\hookrightarrow} \subseteq \text{nf}^{\hookrightarrow_1 \cup \hookrightarrow_2} \subseteq \text{nf}^{\longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}} \subseteq \text{nf}^{\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}}^*} \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}$ .

**Theorem 26**  $\text{BN}^{\hookrightarrow} \subseteq \text{BN}^{\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}}^*} \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}$

**Proof:** We apply Theorem 13, since  $\text{nf}^{\hookrightarrow} \subseteq \text{nf}^{\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}}^*} \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}$  and clearly

$$(\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}}^* \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}) \cup \hookrightarrow = \longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}}^* \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}$$

□

**Theorem 27**  $\text{BN}^{\beta} \subseteq \text{BN}^{\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc}}^*} \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta}$

**Proof:** Since  $\longrightarrow_{\beta}$  strongly simulates  $\hookrightarrow$  through  $\phi$ , we have  $\phi^{-1}(\text{BN}^{\beta}) \subseteq \text{BN}^{\hookrightarrow} \subseteq \text{BN}^{\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}}^*} \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}$ . Hence  $\phi(\phi^{-1}(\text{BN}^{\beta})) \subseteq \phi(\text{BN}^{\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}}^*} \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}})$ . Since  $\phi$  is surjective,  $\text{BN}^{\beta} = \phi(\phi^{-1}(\text{BN}^{\beta}))$ . Hence  $\text{BN}^{\beta} \subseteq \phi(\text{BN}^{\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}}^*} \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}})$ . Also,  $\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}}^* \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}$  strongly simulates  $\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc}}^* \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta}$  through  $\phi^{-1}$ , so  $\phi(\text{BN}^{\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc,act}}^*} \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta_{12}}) \subseteq \text{BN}^{\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc}}^*} \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta}$ . □

**Theorem 28**  $\text{SN}^{\beta} \subseteq \text{SN}^{\text{assoc}\beta}$

**Proof:** First, from Lemma 4,  $\text{BN}^{\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc}}^*} \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta} \subseteq \text{SN}^{\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc}}^*} \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta}$ . Then from Lemma 14,  $\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc}}$  is terminating and hence  $\text{SN}^{\text{assoc}}$  is stable under  $\longrightarrow_{\beta}$ . Hence we can apply Lemma 9 to get  $\text{SN}^{\text{assoc}\beta} = \text{SN}^{\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc}}^*} \cdot \longrightarrow_{\beta}$ . From the previous theorem we thus have  $\text{BN}^{\beta} \subseteq \text{SN}^{\text{assoc}\beta}$ . Now, noticing that  $\beta$ -reduction in  $\lambda$ -calculus is finitely branching, Lemma 3 gives  $\text{BN}^{\beta} = \text{SN}^{\beta}$  and thus  $\text{SN}^{\beta} \subseteq \text{SN}^{\text{assoc}\beta}$ . □

### 3 $\lambda\text{LJQ}$

**Definition 15 ( $\lambda\text{LJQ}$ )** • The syntax of  $\lambda\text{LJQ}$  comes as two syntactic categories, the first one of which being that of *values*:

$$\begin{aligned} V, V' &::= x \mid \lambda x.M \mid \langle V \times x.V' \rangle \\ M, N, P &::= [V] \mid x[V, y.N] \mid \langle V \times x.N \rangle \mid \langle M \dagger x.N \rangle \end{aligned}$$

- We define *x-covalues* as those terms of the form  $[x]$  or  $x[V, y.M]$  with  $x \notin \text{FV}(V) \cup \text{FV}(M)$ .
- We define *principal cuts* as those terms of the form  $\langle [V] \dagger x.M \rangle$  where  $M$  is an *x-covalue*.

$\frac{}{\Gamma, x: A \vdash^V x: A}$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash^V V: A}{\Gamma \vdash [V]: A}$
$\frac{\Gamma, x: A \vdash M: B}{\Gamma \vdash^V \lambda x. M: A \rightarrow B}$	$\frac{\Gamma, x: A \rightarrow B \vdash^V V: A \quad \Gamma, x: A \rightarrow B, y: B \vdash N: C}{\Gamma, x: A \rightarrow B \vdash x[V, y. N]: C}$
$\frac{\Gamma \vdash^V V: A \quad \Gamma, x: A \vdash^V V': B}{\Gamma \vdash^V \langle V \backslash x. V' \rangle: B}$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash^V V: A \quad \Gamma, x: A \vdash N: B}{\Gamma \vdash \langle V \backslash x. N \rangle: B}$
	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash M: A \quad \Gamma, x: A \vdash N: B}{\Gamma \vdash \langle M \dagger x. N \rangle: B}$

Figure 1: Typing system of  $\lambda\text{LJQ}$

- The typing rules are shown in Fig. 1. Derivability, in the typing system of  $\lambda\text{LJQ}$ , of the sequents  $\Gamma \vdash^V V: A$  and  $\Gamma \vdash M: A$ , is denoted  $\Gamma \vdash_{\lambda\text{LJQ}}^V V: A$  and  $\Gamma \vdash_{\lambda\text{LJQ}} M: A$ , respectively.
- The reduction system, also called  $\lambda\text{LJQ}$ , is shown in Fig. 2.

$\langle [\lambda x. M] \dagger y. y[V, z. P] \rangle \longrightarrow \langle \langle [V] \dagger x. M \rangle \dagger z. P \rangle \quad \text{if } y \notin \text{FV}(V) \cup \text{FV}(P)$
$\langle [x] \dagger y. N \rangle \longrightarrow \{x/y\}N$
$\langle M \dagger y. [y] \rangle \longrightarrow M$
$\langle z[V, y. P] \dagger x. N \rangle \longrightarrow z[V, y. \langle P \dagger x. N \rangle]$
$\langle \langle [V'] \dagger y. y[V, z. P] \rangle \dagger x. N \rangle \longrightarrow \langle [V'] \dagger y. y[V, z. \langle P \dagger x. N \rangle] \rangle$
$\langle \langle M \dagger y. P \rangle \dagger x. N \rangle \longrightarrow \langle M \dagger y. \langle P \dagger x. N \rangle \rangle$
$\langle [\lambda y. M] \dagger x. N \rangle \longrightarrow \langle \lambda y. M \backslash x. N \rangle \quad \text{if } N \text{ is not an } x\text{-cvalue}$
$\langle V \backslash x. x \rangle \longrightarrow V$
$\langle V \backslash x. y \rangle \longrightarrow y$
$\langle V \backslash x. \lambda y. M \rangle \longrightarrow \lambda y. \langle V \backslash x. M \rangle$
$\langle V \backslash x. [V'] \rangle \longrightarrow [\langle V \backslash x. V' \rangle]$
$\langle V \backslash x. x[V', z. P] \rangle \longrightarrow \langle [V] \dagger x. x[\langle V \backslash x. V' \rangle, z. \langle V \backslash x. P \rangle] \rangle$
$\langle V \backslash x. x'[V', z. P] \rangle \longrightarrow x'[\langle V \backslash x. V' \rangle, z. \langle V \backslash x. P \rangle]$
$\langle V \backslash x. \langle M \dagger y. P \rangle \rangle \longrightarrow \langle \langle V \backslash x. M \rangle \dagger y. \langle V \backslash x. P \rangle \rangle$

Figure 2: Reduction rules of  $\lambda\text{LJQ}$

As mentioned earlier, the purpose of this paper is to prove that if  $\Gamma \vdash M: A$  then  $M \in \text{SN}$ .

$$\boxed{\frac{}{[V] \in \mathcal{V}} \quad \frac{M \in \mathcal{V}}{\langle V \times y.M \rangle \in \mathcal{V}}}$$

Figure 3: Pseudo values

$$\boxed{\frac{}{x[V, y.M] \in \mathcal{S}_x} \quad x \notin \text{FV}(V) \cup \text{FV}(M) \quad \frac{M \in \mathcal{S}_x}{\langle V \times y.M \rangle \in \mathcal{S}_x} \quad x \notin \text{FV}(V) \quad \frac{M \in \mathcal{S}_x}{\langle M \dagger y.N \rangle \in \mathcal{S}_x} \quad x \notin \text{FV}(N)}$$

Figure 4: Pseudo  $x$ -covealues

## 4 Strong normalisation of $\lambda\text{LJQ}$

### 4.1 An encoding into $\lambda$ -calculus

**Definition 16** In Fig. 3 and Fig. 4, we inductively define the set  $\mathcal{V}$  of *pseudo values* and the set  $\mathcal{S}_x$  of *pseudo  $x$ -covealues*, respectively. A cut  $\langle N \dagger x.M \rangle$  is said to be *pseudo principal* if  $N \in \mathcal{V}$  and  $M \in \mathcal{S}_x$ .

**Remark 29** Note that  $\mathcal{V} \cap \mathcal{S}_x = \emptyset$  and its immediate corollary that pseudo principal cuts cannot be in  $\mathcal{S}_x$  (nor of course in  $\mathcal{V}$ ).

**Remark 30**  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{S}_x$  are stable under reduction.

**Remark 31** Suppose  $x \neq y$  and  $x \neq z$ . If  $M$  is in  $\mathcal{S}_x$  (resp. in  $\mathcal{V}$ ) then so is  $\{\cancel{z}_y\}M$ . Hence if  $M$  is a pseudo principal cut then so is  $\{\cancel{z}_y\}M$ .

**Definition 17** • We give in Fig. 5 an encoding of  $\lambda\text{LJQ}$  into the  $\lambda$ -calculus.

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} \overline{x} \quad \quad \quad := x \\ \overline{\lambda x.M} \quad \quad := \lambda x.\overline{M} \\ \overline{\langle V \times x.V' \rangle} \quad := \{\overline{V}_x\}\overline{V'} \\ \hline \overline{[V]} \quad \quad \quad := \overline{V} \\ \overline{x[V, y.M]} \quad := (\lambda y.\overline{M}) (x \overline{V}) \\ \overline{\langle N \dagger x.M \rangle} \quad := \{\overline{N}_x\}\overline{M} \quad N \in \mathcal{V} \wedge M \in \mathcal{S}_x \\ \overline{\langle N \dagger x.M \rangle} \quad := (\lambda x.\overline{M}) (\overline{N}) \quad \text{otherwise} \\ \overline{\langle V \times x.M \rangle} \quad := \{\overline{V}_x\}\overline{M} \end{array}}$$

Figure 5: From  $\lambda\text{LJQ}$  to  $\lambda$ -calculus

- We define in  $\lambda\text{LJQ}$  the set of  $\beta$ -bounded terms (and values) as  $\mathcal{B} := \{M \in \lambda\text{LJQ} \mid \forall N \sqsubseteq M, \overline{N} \in \text{SN}^\beta \wedge \forall V' \sqsubseteq M, \overline{V'} \in \text{SN}^\beta\} \cup \{V \in \lambda\text{LJQ} \mid \forall N \sqsubseteq V, \overline{N} \in \text{SN}^\beta \wedge \forall V' \sqsubseteq V, \overline{V'} \in \text{SN}^\beta\}$

**Remark 32** Note that  $\text{FV}(\overline{M}) \subseteq \text{FV}(M)$  and, from Remark 31,  $\overline{\{\cancel{y}_x\}M} = \{\cancel{y}_x\}\overline{M}$ .

**Remark 33**  $(\lambda x.\overline{M}) \overline{N} \xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} \overline{\langle N \dagger x.M \rangle} \xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} \left\{ \overline{N} / x \right\} \overline{M}$

**Theorem 34** *If  $M \in \mathcal{B}$  (resp.  $V \in \mathcal{B}$ ) and  $M \xrightarrow{\lambda\text{LJQ}} N$  (resp.  $V \xrightarrow{\lambda\text{LJQ}} V'$ ), then  $N \in \mathcal{B}$  (resp.  $V' \in \mathcal{B}$ ) and  $\overline{M} \xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} \overline{N}$  (resp.  $\overline{V} \xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} \overline{V'}$ ).*

**Proof:** By induction on the reduction steps  $M \xrightarrow{\lambda\text{LJQ}} N$  (resp.  $V \xrightarrow{\lambda\text{LJQ}} V'$ ). The following table gives the base case of the induction: for each reduction rule, the left-hand side shows a term to which  $\overline{M}$  (resp.  $\overline{V}$ )  $\text{assoc}\beta$ -reduces (by Remark 33), while the right-hand side shows a term that  $\text{assoc}\beta$ -reduces (by Remark 33) to  $\overline{N}$  (resp.  $\overline{V'}$ ).

$(\lambda z.\overline{P}) (l (\lambda x.\overline{M}) \overline{V})$	$\xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} (\lambda z.\overline{P}) ((\lambda x.\overline{M}) \overline{V})$
$\left\{ \overline{M} / y \right\} \overline{N}$	$\xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} \left\{ \overline{M} / y \right\} \overline{N}$
$\left\{ \overline{M} / y \right\} y$	$\xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} \overline{M}$

$(\lambda x.\overline{N}) ((\lambda y.\overline{P}) (z \overline{V}))$	$\xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} (\lambda y.(\lambda x.\overline{N}) \overline{P}) (z \overline{V})$
$(\lambda x.\overline{N}) ((\lambda z.\overline{P}) (\overline{V'} \overline{V}))$	$\xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} (\lambda z.(\lambda x.\overline{N}) \overline{P}) (\overline{V'} \overline{V})$
$(\lambda x.\overline{N}) \left( \left\{ \overline{M} / y \right\} \overline{P} \right)$	$\xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} \left\{ \overline{M} / y \right\} ((\lambda x.\overline{N}) \overline{P})$ if $\langle M \dagger y.P \rangle$ is pseudo principal (and thus $\langle M \dagger y.(P \dagger x.N) \rangle$ is pseudo principal)
$(\lambda x.\overline{N}) ((\lambda y.\overline{P}) \overline{M})$	$\xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} (\lambda y.(\lambda x.\overline{N}) \overline{P}) \overline{M}$ if not
$\left\{ l \lambda y. \overline{M} / x \right\} \overline{N}$	$\xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} \left\{ l \lambda y. \overline{M} / x \right\} \overline{N}$

$\left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} x$	$\xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} \overline{V}$
$\left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} y$	$\xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} y$
$\left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} (l \lambda y. \overline{M})$	$\xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} l \lambda y. \left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} \overline{M}$
$\left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} \overline{V'}$	$\xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} \left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} \overline{V'}$
$\left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} ((\lambda z.\overline{P}) (x \overline{V'}))$	$\xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} (\lambda z. \left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} \overline{P}) (\overline{V} \left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} \overline{V'})$
$\left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} ((\lambda z.\overline{P}) (x' \overline{V'}))$	$\xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} (\lambda z. \left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} \overline{P}) (x' \left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} \overline{V'})$
$\left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} \left\{ \overline{M} / y \right\} \overline{P}$	$\xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} \left\{ \left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} \overline{M} / y \right\} \left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} \overline{P}$ if $\langle M \dagger y.P \rangle$ is pseudo principal (and thus $\langle \langle V \times x.M \rangle \dagger y. \langle V \times x.P \rangle \rangle$ is pseudo principal)
$\left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} ((\lambda y.\overline{P}) \overline{M})$	$\xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta} (\lambda y. \left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} \overline{P}) \left\{ \overline{V} / x \right\} \overline{M}$ if not

The rest of the induction is straightforward, since  $\xrightarrow{*}_{\text{assoc}\beta}$  is context-closed and principal cuts are stable under reduction (Remark 30).  $\square$

## 4.2 A labelled LPO

**Definition 18** We define a first-order syntax by giving the following infinite signature:

$$\{ \star / 0, i / 1, ii / 2, C_i^M / 2, C_{ii}^M / 2, C_{iii}^M / 2, C_{iv}^M / 2 \}$$

with  $M$  ranging over the set of  $\lambda$ -terms in  $\text{SN}^\beta$ .

We give them the following (terminating<sup>1</sup>) precedence:

$$\star \prec i \prec ii \prec C_i^N \prec C_{ii}^N \prec C_{iii}^N \prec C_{iv}^N \prec C_i^M$$

<sup>1</sup>because of Theorem 28

for all  $M, N \in \mathbf{SN}^{\text{assoc}\beta}$  such that  $M(\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc}\beta} \cup \sqsupseteq)^* N$ .

We now consider the (terminating) *lexicographic path ordering* induced by this precedence over first-order terms (see e.g. [Ter03]).

We now want to encode  $\beta$ -bounded  $\lambda\text{LJQ}$ -terms into this first-order syntax to show that  $\lambda\text{LJQ}$ -reduction decreases first-order encodings w.r.t. the LPO. For that we need to make a case distinction to encode  $\langle N \dagger x.M \rangle$ , as either a  $C_i$ -construct or a  $C_{iii}$ -one. Those to be encoded as a  $C_i$ -construct are identified as the set  $\mathcal{HP}$  defined in Fig. 6.

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{c} \frac{}{\langle [V'] \dagger x.x[V, y.M] \rangle \in \mathcal{HP}} \quad x \notin \text{FV}(V) \cup \text{FV}(M) \\ \frac{}{\langle V \times x.M \rangle \in \mathcal{HP}} \quad M \in \mathcal{S}_x \quad \frac{M \in \mathcal{HP}}{\langle M \dagger x.N \rangle \in \mathcal{HP}} \end{array}}$$

Figure 6: Set of “small” cuts

**Remark 35** Note that  $\mathcal{V} \cap \mathcal{HP} = \emptyset$ . Consequently, if  $\langle M \dagger x.N \rangle \in \mathcal{HP}$  with  $M \in \mathcal{V}$ , then it is of the form  $\langle [V] \dagger x.x[V', y.P] \rangle$  with  $x \notin \text{FV}(V) \cup \text{FV}(P)$ .

**Remark 36** If  $M \longrightarrow^* M'$ ,  $N \longrightarrow^* N'$ ,  $V \longrightarrow^* V'$  and  $\langle M \dagger x.N \rangle$  (resp.  $\langle V \times x.N \rangle$ ) is in  $\mathcal{HP}$ , then so is  $\langle M' \dagger x.N' \rangle$  (resp.  $\langle V' \times x.N' \rangle$ ).

**Remark 37** If  $M$  is in  $\mathcal{HP}$  then so is  $\{\cancel{z}_y\}M$ .

Fig. 7 then gives the encoding into the first-order syntax.

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} \underline{x} \quad \quad \quad := \star \\ \underline{\lambda x.M} \quad \quad := i(\underline{M}) \\ \underline{\langle V \times x.V' \rangle} \quad := C_{iv}^{\langle V \times x.V' \rangle}(\underline{V}, \underline{V'}) \\ \hline \underline{[V]} \quad \quad \quad := i(\underline{V}) \\ \underline{x[V, y.M]} \quad := ii(\underline{V}, \underline{M}) \\ \underline{\langle N \dagger x.M \rangle} \quad := C_i^{\langle N \dagger x.M \rangle}(\underline{N}, \underline{M}) \quad \langle N \dagger x.M \rangle \in \mathcal{HP} \\ \underline{\langle N \dagger x.M \rangle} \quad := C_{iii}^{\langle N \dagger x.M \rangle}(\underline{N}, \underline{M}) \quad \text{otherwise} \\ \underline{\langle V \times x.M \rangle} \quad := C_{ii}^{\langle V \times x.M \rangle}(\underline{V}, \underline{M}) \quad \langle V \times x.M \rangle \in \mathcal{HP} \\ \underline{\langle V \times x.M \rangle} \quad := C_{iv}^{\langle V \times x.M \rangle}(\underline{V}, \underline{M}) \quad \text{otherwise} \end{array}}$$

Figure 7: Encoding into the first-order syntax

**Remark 38** By Remark 37,  $\{\cancel{z}_y\}\underline{M} = \underline{M}$ .

**Remark 39**

1.  $C_{iii}^{(\lambda x.\overline{M})} \overline{N}(\underline{N}, \underline{M}) (\gg_U =) \underline{\langle N \dagger x.M \rangle} (\gg_U =) C_i^{\{\overline{N}_x\}\overline{M}}(\underline{N}, \underline{M})$
2.  $C_{iv}^{\{\overline{N}_x\}\overline{M}}(\underline{N}, \underline{M}) (\gg_U =) \underline{\langle N \times x.M \rangle} (\gg_U =) C_{ii}^{\{\overline{N}_x\}\overline{M}}(\underline{N}, \underline{M})$

**Theorem 40** *If  $M \in \mathcal{B}$  (resp.  $V \in \mathcal{B}$ ) and  $M \longrightarrow_{\lambda\text{LJQ}} N$  (resp.  $V \longrightarrow_{\lambda\text{LJQ}} V'$ ), then  $N \in \mathcal{B}$  (resp.  $V' \in \mathcal{B}$ ) and  $\underline{M} \gg \underline{N}$  (resp.  $\underline{V} \gg \underline{V}'$ ).*

**Proof:** By induction on the reduction steps  $M \longrightarrow_{\lambda\text{LJQ}} N$  (resp.  $V \longrightarrow_{\lambda\text{LJQ}} V'$ ). The following table gives the base case of the induction: for each reduction rule, the left-hand side shows a term that is (by Remarks 33 and 39) greater than or equal to  $\underline{M}$  (resp.  $\underline{V}$ ), while the right-hand side shows a term that is (by Remark 33 and 39) greater than or equal to  $\underline{N}$  (resp.  $\underline{V}'$ ).

$C_i^{(\lambda z.\bar{P})} (I (\lambda x.\bar{M}) \bar{V}) (i(i(\underline{M})), ii(\underline{V}, \underline{P}))$	$\gg C_{iii}^{(\lambda z.\bar{P})} ((\lambda x.\bar{M}) \bar{V}) (C_{iii}^{(\lambda x.\bar{M})} \bar{V} (i(\underline{V}), \underline{M}), \underline{P})$
$C_{iv}^{\{\bar{M}/y\}\bar{N}} (\star, \underline{N})$	$\gg \underline{N}$
$C_{iv}^{\{\bar{M}/y\}y} (\underline{M}, \star)$	$\gg \underline{M}$

$C_{iii}^{(\lambda x.\bar{N})} ((\lambda y.\bar{P}) (z \bar{V})) (ii(\underline{V}, \underline{P}), \underline{N})$	$\gg ii(\underline{V}, C_{iii}^{(\lambda y.(\lambda x.\bar{N}) \bar{P}) (z \bar{V})} (\underline{P}, \underline{N}))$
$C_i^{(\lambda x.\bar{N})} L (C_i^L (i(V'), ii(\underline{V}, \underline{P})), \underline{N})$	$\gg C_i^{(\lambda z.L')} (\bar{V}' \bar{V}) (i(\underline{V}'), C_{iii}^{L'} (\underline{P}, \underline{N}))$ with $L = (\lambda z.\bar{P}) (\bar{V}' \bar{V})$ and $L' = (\lambda x.\bar{N}) \bar{P}$

The next rule splits into two cases:<sup>2</sup>

$$C_i^{(\lambda x.\bar{N})} L (C_i^L (\underline{M}, \underline{P}), \underline{N}) \gg C_i^{(\lambda y.L')} \bar{M} (\underline{M}, C_{iii}^{L'} (\underline{P}, \underline{N})) \quad \text{if } \langle M \dagger y.P \rangle \in \mathcal{HP}$$

with  $L = (\lambda y.\bar{P}) \bar{M}$  and  $L' = (\lambda x.\bar{N}) \bar{P}$

$$C_{iii}^{(\lambda x.\bar{N})} L (C_{iii}^L (\underline{M}, \underline{P}), \underline{N}) \gg C_{iii}^{L'} (\underline{M}, C_{iii}^{(\lambda x.\bar{N})} \bar{P} (\underline{P}, \underline{N})) \quad \text{if not, with,}$$

if  $\langle M \dagger y.P \rangle$  is pseudo principal,  $L = \{\bar{M}/y\} \bar{P}$  and  $L' = \{\bar{M}/y\} ((\lambda x.\bar{N}) \bar{P})$   
otherwise  $L = (\lambda y.\bar{P}) \bar{M}$  and  $L' = (\lambda y.(\lambda x.\bar{N}) \bar{P}) \bar{M}$

The last rule, again, splits into two cases:<sup>3</sup>

$$C_{iii}^{\{I \lambda y.\bar{M}/x\}\bar{N}} (i(i(\underline{M})), \underline{N}) \gg C_{ii}^{\{I \lambda y.\bar{M}/x\}\bar{N}} (i(\underline{M}), \underline{N}) \quad \text{if } N \in \mathcal{S}_x$$

$$C_{iii}^{(\lambda x.\bar{N})} (I \lambda y.\bar{M}) (i(i(\underline{M})), \underline{N}) \gg C_{iv}^{\{I \lambda y.\bar{M}/x\}\bar{N}} (i(\underline{M}), \underline{N}) \quad \text{if not}$$

<sup>2</sup>Given the condition on  $\langle M \dagger y.P \rangle$  for the rule to apply,  $\langle M \dagger y.P \rangle \in \mathcal{HP}$  if and only if  $M \in \mathcal{HP}$  if and only if  $\langle M \dagger y.(P \dagger x.N) \rangle \in \mathcal{HP}$  if and only if  $\langle \langle M \dagger y.P \rangle \dagger x.N \rangle \in \mathcal{HP}$ . Moreover, in the first case,  $\langle M \dagger y.P \rangle \in \mathcal{HP}$  entails that it is not pseudo principal (by Remark 35), hence the shape of  $L$  (and note that  $L \longrightarrow_{\text{assoc}} (\lambda y.(\lambda x.\bar{N}) \bar{P}) \bar{M} \sqsupseteq L'$ ).

<sup>3</sup>In both cases of the last rule, we have encoded the redex as a  $C_{iii}$ -construct since it cannot be in  $\mathcal{HP}$  (by Remark 35).

$C_{iv}^{\bar{V}}(V, \star)$	$\gg V$
$C_{iv}^y(V, \star)$	$\gg \star$
$C_{iv}^{\{\bar{V}_x\}(\lambda y.\bar{M})}(V, i(\underline{M}))$	$\gg i(C_{iv}^{\{\bar{V}_x\}\bar{M}}(V, \underline{M}))$
$C_{iv}^{\{\bar{V}_x\}\bar{V}'}(V, i(V'))$	$\gg i(C_{iv}^{\{\bar{V}_x\}\bar{V}'}(V, V'))$
$C_{ii}^L(V, ii(\underline{V}', \underline{P}))$	$\gg C_i^L(i(V), ii(C_{iv}^{\{\bar{V}_x\}\bar{V}'}(V, V'), C_{iv}^{\{\bar{V}_x\}\bar{P}}(V, \underline{P})))$ with $L = \{\bar{V}_x\}((\lambda z.\bar{P})(x \bar{V}'))$
$C_{iv}^L(V, ii(\underline{V}', \underline{P}))$	$\gg ii(C_{iv}^{\{\bar{V}_x\}\bar{V}'}(V, V'), C_{iv}^{\{\bar{V}_x\}\bar{P}}(V, \underline{P}))$ with $L = \{\bar{V}_x\}((\lambda z.\bar{P})(x' \bar{V}'))$
The last rule splits into two cases: <sup>4</sup>	
$C_{ii}^{\{\bar{V}_x\}^L}(V, C_i^L(\underline{M}, \underline{P}))$	$\gg C_i^{\{\bar{V}_x\}^L}(C_{ii}^{L_M}(V, \underline{M}), C_{iv}^{L_P}(V, \underline{P}))$ if $\langle M \dagger y.P \rangle \in \mathcal{S}_x$ with $L = (\lambda y.\bar{P}) \bar{M}$ , $L_M = \{\bar{V}_x\} \bar{M}$ , and $L_P = \{\bar{V}_x\} \bar{P}$
$C_{iv}^{\{\bar{V}_x\}^L}(V, C_i^L(\underline{M}, \underline{P}))$	$\gg C_{iii}^{\{\bar{V}_x\}^L}(C_{iv}^{L_M}(V, \underline{M}), C_{iv}^{L_P}(V, \underline{P}))$ if not with $L = (\lambda y.\bar{P}) \bar{M}$ or $L = \{\bar{M}/y\} \bar{P}$ , $L_M = \{\bar{V}_x\} \bar{M}$ , and $L_P = \{\bar{V}_x\} \bar{P}$

The inductive argument is straightforward, given that  $\mathcal{S}_x$  and  $\mathcal{HP}$  are stable under reduction and the fact that, by Theorem 34, internal reductions can only decrease labels with respect to  $(\longrightarrow_{\text{assoc}\beta} \cup \sqsupset)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 41**  $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{SN}$

**Proof:** By Theorem 8: the decreasing and terminating LPO simulates  $\lambda\text{LJQ}$ -reductions through  $(\cdot)$ .  $\square$

### 4.3 Conclusion

**Lemma 42** *If  $\Gamma \vdash M : A$  then, for every  $N \sqsubseteq M$  (resp.  $V \sqsubseteq M$ ),  $\Gamma \vdash_\lambda \bar{M} : A$  (resp.  $\Gamma \vdash_\lambda \bar{V} : A$ ) in the simply-typed  $\lambda$ -calculus.*

**Proof:** Straightforward induction on the typing tree, using the typing property of substitution in  $\lambda$ -calculus.  $\square$

**Theorem 43** *If  $\Gamma \vdash M : A$  then  $M \in \mathcal{SN}$ .*

**Proof:** By Lemma 42 and the strong normalisation of the simply-typed  $\lambda$ -calculus,  $\bar{M} \in \mathcal{B}$  so  $\bar{M} \in \mathcal{SN}$  by Corollary 41.  $\square$

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<sup>4</sup>If  $\langle M \dagger y.P \rangle \in \mathcal{S}_x$ , first it cannot be pseudo principal (Remark 29), and second we also have  $M \in \mathcal{S}_x$  so  $\langle \langle V \backslash x.M \rangle \dagger y. \langle V \backslash x.P \rangle \rangle \in \mathcal{HP}$ . Also note that  $L_P \sqsubseteq \{\bar{V}_x\}^L$ .



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## A Examples

**Example 1** We give examples of unwanted reductions (leading to non-termination), which motivated the side-conditions of two rules of  $\lambda\text{LJQ}$ .

Suppose that  $W$  is an abstraction and  $N$  is a  $y$ -covalue. The reductions  $\langle\langle [W] \dagger y.N \rangle \dagger z.P \rangle \longrightarrow \langle [W] \dagger y.\langle N \dagger z.P \rangle \rangle$  and  $\langle [W] \dagger y.N \rangle \longrightarrow \langle [W] \times y.N \rangle$  are not valid (as the side-conditions of the rules are not satisfied). Our first-order encoding translates them to

$$\begin{aligned} C_i^{(\lambda y.\bar{P})} \{ \bar{W}_y \}^{\bar{N}} (C_i^{\{ \bar{W}_y \}^{\bar{N}}} (i(\underline{W}), \underline{N}), \underline{P}) &\not\rightarrow C_{iii}^{\{ \bar{W}_y \}^{((\lambda z.\bar{P}) \bar{N})}} (i(\underline{W}), C_{iii}^{(\lambda z.\bar{P}) \bar{N}} (\underline{N}, \underline{P})) \\ C_i^{\{ \bar{W}_y \}^{\bar{N}}} (i(\underline{W}), \underline{N}) &\not\rightarrow C_{ii}^{\{ \bar{W}_y \}^{\bar{N}}} (\underline{W}, \underline{N}) \end{aligned}$$

Indeed, non-termination of these reductions can be seen as we can turn  $\langle \dagger . \rangle$  into  $\langle \times . \rangle$  and back:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \langle\langle [W] \dagger y.N \rangle \dagger z.P \rangle & \\ & \swarrow \quad \searrow & \\ \langle [W] \dagger y.\langle N \dagger z.P \rangle \rangle & & \langle\langle W \times y.N \rangle \dagger z.P \rangle \\ & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \langle W \times y.\langle N \dagger z.P \rangle \rangle & & \langle\langle [W] \dagger y.N' \rangle \dagger z.P \rangle \\ & \downarrow & \\ \langle\langle W \times y.N \rangle \dagger z.P' \rangle & & \\ & \downarrow & \\ \langle\langle [W] \dagger y.N' \rangle \dagger z.P' \rangle & & \end{array}$$

where  $P' = \langle W \times y.P \rangle$  (but note that  $y \notin \text{FV}(P)$ ) and  $N'$  is the  $y$ -covalue obtained by pushing  $W$  inside the  $y$ -covalue  $N$ .

**Example 2** On the other hand, the following reductions *are* allowed (under which the image by  $\overline{(\cdot)}$  is unchanged).

$$\begin{array}{c}
\langle V \times x. \langle \langle [W] \dagger y. N \rangle \dagger z. P \rangle \rangle \\
\downarrow + \\
\langle \langle [W'] \dagger y. \langle V \times x. N \rangle \rangle \dagger z. P' \rangle \\
\swarrow \quad \searrow \\
\langle [W'] \dagger y. \langle \langle V \times x. N \rangle \dagger z. P' \rangle \rangle \quad \langle \langle W' \times y. \langle V \times x. N \rangle \rangle \dagger z. P' \rangle \\
\downarrow \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \\
\langle [W'] \dagger y. \langle N' \dagger z. P' \rangle \rangle \quad \langle \langle W' \times y. N' \rangle \dagger z. P' \rangle \\
\downarrow \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \\
\langle W' \times y. \langle N' \dagger z. P' \rangle \rangle \quad \langle \langle [W'] \dagger y. N'' \rangle \dagger z. P' \rangle \\
\downarrow \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \\
\langle \langle W' \times y. N' \rangle \dagger z. P'' \rangle \quad \langle \langle [W'] \dagger y. N'' \rangle \dagger z. P' \rangle \\
\downarrow \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \\
\langle \langle [W'] \dagger y. N'' \rangle \dagger z. P'' \rangle \quad \langle \langle [W'] \dagger y. N'' \rangle \dagger z. P'' \rangle
\end{array}$$

where  $W' = \langle V \times x. W \rangle$ ,  $P' = \langle V \times x. P \rangle$ ,  $P'' = \langle W' \times y. P' \rangle$  (but note that  $y \notin \text{FV}(P')$ ),  $N'$  is the  $y$ -covalue obtained by pushing  $V$  inside the  $y$ -covalue  $N$ , and  $N''$  is the  $y$ -covalue obtained by pushing  $W'$  inside the  $y$ -covalue  $N'$ .

This motivated the case distinctions leading to  $C_i, C_{ii}, C_{iii}$  and  $C_{iv}$  and their precedence. Indeed we have

$$\begin{array}{l}
C_{iv}^{\{\overline{V}_x\}}((\lambda z. \overline{P}) \{\overline{W}_y\} \overline{N}) (\underline{V}, C_i^{(\lambda y. \overline{P}) \{\overline{W}_y\} \overline{N}} (C_i^{\{\overline{W}_y\} \overline{N}} (i(\underline{W}), \underline{N}), \underline{P})) \\
\gg C_{iii}^{(\lambda z. \overline{P}') \{\overline{W}'_y\} \{\overline{V}_x\} \overline{N}} (C_{iii}^{\{\overline{W}'_y\} \{\overline{V}_x\} \overline{N}} (i(\underline{W}'), C_{iv}^{\{\overline{V}_x\} \overline{N}} (\underline{V}, \underline{N}), \underline{P}'))
\end{array}$$

In the first branch we then get

$$\begin{array}{l}
\gg C_{iii}^{\{\overline{W}'_y\}}((\lambda z. \overline{P}') \{\overline{V}_x\} \overline{N}) (i(\underline{W}'), C_{iii}^{(\lambda z. \overline{P}') \{\overline{V}_x\} \overline{N}} (C_{iv}^{\{\overline{V}_x\} \overline{N}} (\underline{V}, \underline{N}), \underline{P}')) \\
\gg C_{iii}^{\{\overline{W}'_y\}}((\lambda z. \overline{P}') \overline{N}') (i(\underline{W}'), C_{iii}^{(\lambda z. \overline{P}') \overline{N}'} (\underline{N}', \underline{P}')) \\
\gg C_{ii}^{\{\overline{W}'_y\}}((\lambda z. \overline{P}') \overline{N}') (\underline{W}', C_{iii}^{(\lambda z. \overline{P}') \overline{N}'} (\underline{N}', \underline{P}')) \\
\gg C_i^{(\lambda z. \overline{P}'') \{\overline{W}'_y\} \overline{N}''} (C_{ii}^{\{\overline{W}'_y\} \overline{N}''} (\underline{W}', \underline{N}'), \underline{P}'') \\
\gg C_i^{(\lambda z. \overline{P}'') \{\overline{W}'_y\} \overline{N}''} (C_i^{\{\overline{W}'_y\} \overline{N}''} (i(\underline{W}'), \underline{N}''), \underline{P}'')
\end{array}$$

In the second branch we then get

$$\begin{array}{l}
\gg C_{iii}^{(\lambda z. \overline{P}') \{\overline{W}'_y\} \{\overline{V}_x\} \overline{N}} (C_{ii}^{\{\overline{W}'_y\} \{\overline{V}_x\} \overline{N}} (\underline{W}', C_{iv}^{\{\overline{V}_x\} \overline{N}} (\underline{V}, \underline{N}), \underline{P}')) \\
\gg C_{iii}^{(\lambda z. \overline{P}') \{\overline{W}'_y\} \overline{N}'} (C_{ii}^{\{\overline{W}'_y\} \overline{N}'} (\underline{W}', \underline{N}'), \underline{P}') \\
\gg C_{iii}^{(\lambda z. \overline{P}') \{\overline{W}'_y\} \overline{N}''} (C_i^{\{\overline{W}'_y\} \overline{N}''} (i(\underline{W}'), \underline{N}'), \underline{P}')
\end{array}$$

In this example, we performed reductions dangerously close to the forbidden ones above (destroying or activating the principal cut), and both branches look like loops that turn  $\langle \dagger \cdot \rangle$  into  $\langle \times \cdot \rangle$  and back, except that this time, we have consumed  $V$  along the way.

Indeed, the first-order terms we have produced along the reductions are rather big (note the  $C_{iii}$ -constructs) in comparison to  $C_i^{(\lambda y. \overline{P}) \{\overline{W}_y\} \overline{N}} (C_i^{\{\overline{W}_y\} \overline{N}} (i(\underline{W}), \underline{N}), \underline{P})$ , but in fact they are never compared against it but against the  $C_{iv}$ -construct of  $\langle V \times x. \cdot \rangle$ . In other words, we have been able to perform this dangerous reductions only at the cost of pushing  $V$  in, and such things to push are not in infinite supplies.