

## Challenges and Solutions to Realisability Semantics for Intersection Types with Expansion Variables

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**Abstract.** Expansion is a crucial operation for calculating principal typings in intersection type systems. Because the early definitions of expansion were complicated, *E-variables* were introduced in order to make the calculations easier to mechanise and reason about. Recently, E-variables have been further simplified and generalised to also allow calculating other type operators than just intersection. There has been much work on semantics for type systems with intersection types, but none whatsoever before our work, on type systems with E-variables. In this paper we expose the challenges of building a semantics for E-variables and we provide a novel solution. Because it is unclear how to devise a space of meanings for E-variables, we develop instead a space of meanings for types that is hierarchical. First, we index each type with a natural number and show that although this intuitively captures the use of E-variables, it is difficult to index the universal type  $\omega$  with this hierarchy and it is not possible to obtain completeness of the semantics if more than one E-variable is used. We then move to a more complex semantics where each type is associated with a list of natural numbers and establish that both  $\omega$  and an arbitrary number of E-variables can be represented without losing any of the desirable properties of a realisability semantics.

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## 1. Introduction

Intersection types were developed in the late 1970s to type  $\lambda$ -terms that are untypable with simple types; they do this by providing a kind of finitary type polymorphism where the usage of types is listed rather than quantified over. They have been useful in reasoning about the semantics of the  $\lambda$ -calculus, and have been investigated for use in static program analysis. *Expansion* was introduced at the end of the 1970s as a crucial procedure for calculating *principal typings* for  $\lambda$ -terms in type systems with intersection types, enabling support for compositional type inference. Coppo, Dezani, and Venneri [4] introduced the operation of *expansion* on *typings* (pairs of a type environment and a result type) for calculating the possible typings of a term when using intersection types. As a simple example, the  $\lambda$ -term  $M = (\lambda x.x(\lambda y.yz))$  can be assigned the typing  $\Phi_1 = \langle (z : a) \vdash (((a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow b) \rightarrow c) \rightarrow c \rangle$ , which happens to be its principal typing. The term  $M$  can also be assigned the typing  $\Phi_2 = \langle (z : a_1 \sqcap a_2) \vdash (((a_1 \rightarrow b_1) \rightarrow b_1) \sqcap ((a_2 \rightarrow b_2) \rightarrow b_2) \rightarrow c) \rightarrow c \rangle$ , and an expansion operation can obtain  $\Phi_2$  from  $\Phi_1$ .

Because the early definitions of expansion were complicated, *E-variables* were introduced in order to make the calculations easier to mechanize and reason about. For example, in System E [2], the typing  $\Phi_1$  from above is replaced by  $\Phi_3 = \langle (z : ea) \vdash (e((a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow b) \rightarrow c) \rightarrow c \rangle$ , which differs from  $\Phi_1$  by the insertion of the E-variable  $e$  at two places, and  $\Phi_2$  can be obtained from  $\Phi_3$  by substituting for  $e$  the *expansion term*  $E = (a := a_1, b := b_1) \sqcap (a := a_2, b := b_2)$ . Carlier and Wells [3] have surveyed the history of expansion and also E-variables.

In many kinds of semantics, the meaning of a type  $T$  is calculated by an expression  $[T]_\nu$  that takes two parameters, the type  $T$  and also a valuation  $\nu$  that assigns to type variables the same kind of meanings that are assigned to types. To extend this idea to types with E-variables, we would need to devise some space of possible meanings for E-variables. Given that a type  $eT$  can be turned by expansion into a new type  $S_1(T) \sqcap S_2(T)$ , where  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are arbitrary substitutions (they can be arbitrary further expansions), and that this can introduce an unbounded number of new variables (both E-variables and regular type variables), the situation is complicated. Because it is unclear how to devise a space of meanings for expansions and E-variables, we instead develop a space of meanings for types that is hierarchical in the sense of having many degrees. We specifically avoid trying to give a semantics to the operation of expansion, and instead treat only the E-variables. Although this idea is not perfect, it seems to go quite far in giving an intuition for E-variables, namely that each E-variable acts as a kind of capsule that isolates parts of the  $\lambda$ -term being analyzed by the typing.

In the open problems published in the proceedings of the Lecture Notes in Computer Science symposium held in 1975 [7], it is suggested that an arrow type expresses functionality. Following this idea, a type's semantics is given as a set of closed  $\lambda$ -terms with behaviour related to the specification given by the type. Hence, the semantic approach we use is realisability semantics. Atomic types (e.g., type variables) are interpreted as sets of  $\lambda$ -terms that are *saturated*, meaning that they are closed under  $\beta$ -expansion (i.e.,  $\beta$ -reduction in reverse). Arrow and intersection types are interpreted naturally by function spaces and set intersection. Realisability allows showing *soundness* in the sense that the meaning of a type  $T$  contains all closed  $\lambda$ -terms that can be assigned  $T$  as their result type. This has been shown useful for characterising the behaviour of typed  $\lambda$ -terms [14]. One also wants to show the converse of soundness which is called *completeness*, i.e., that every closed  $\lambda$ -term in the meaning of  $T$  can be assigned  $T$  as its result type.

Hindley [9, 10, 11] was the first to study this notion of completeness for a simple type system and he showed that all the types of that system have the completeness property. Then, he generalised his com-

pleteness proof for an intersection type system [8]. Using his completeness theorem for the realisability semantics based on the sets of  $\lambda$ -terms saturated by  $\beta\eta$ -equivalence, Hindley has shown that simple types are uniquely realised by the  $\lambda$ -terms which are typable by these types. However, Hindley's result does not hold for his intersection type system and the completeness theorems were established with the sets of  $\lambda$ -terms saturated by  $\beta\eta$ -equivalence. In this paper, our completeness result depends only on the weaker requirement of  $\beta$ -equivalence, and we have managed to make simpler proofs that avoid needing  $\eta$ -reduction, Church-Rosser (a.k.a. confluence), or strong normalisation (SN) (although we do establish both confluence and SN for both  $\beta$  and  $\beta\eta$ ).

Other work on realizability we have consulted includes that by Labib-Sami [15], Farkh and Nour [6], and Coquand [5], although none of this work deals with intersection types or E-variables. Related work on realisability that deals with intersection types includes that by Kamareddine and Nour [12], which gives a realisability semantics with soundness and completeness for an intersection type system. This system is quite different from the three hierarchical systems we present in this paper. The main difference being the hierarchies which did not exist in [12].

Initially, we aimed to give a realisability semantics for the system of expansions proposed by Carrier and Wells in [3]. In order to simplify our study, we considered the system with the expansion variables but without the expansion rewriting rules. In essence, this meant that the syntax of terms is:  $M ::= x \mid (M N) \mid (\lambda x.M)$  where  $x$  ranges over a countably infinite set of variables  $\mathcal{V}$ , that the syntax of types is:  $T ::= a \mid \omega \mid T_1 \rightarrow T_2 \mid T_1 \sqcap T_2 \mid eT$  where  $a$  is a basic type ranging over a countably infinite set of type variables  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $e$  is an expansion variable ranging over a countably infinite set of expansion variables  $\mathcal{E}$ , and that the typing rules are:

$$\frac{}{x : \langle (x : T) \vdash T \rangle} \text{ var}$$

$$\frac{}{M : \langle () \vdash \omega \rangle} \omega$$

$$\frac{M : \langle \Gamma, (x : T_1) \vdash T_2 \rangle}{\lambda x.M : \langle \Gamma \vdash T_1 \rightarrow T_2 \rangle} \text{ abs}$$

$$\frac{M_1 : \langle \Gamma_1 \vdash T_1 \rightarrow T_2 \rangle \quad M_2 : \langle \Gamma_2 \vdash T_1 \rangle}{M_1 M_2 : \langle \Gamma_1 \sqcap \Gamma_2 \vdash T_2 \rangle} \text{ app}$$

$$\frac{M : \langle \Gamma_1 \vdash T_1 \rangle \quad M : \langle \Gamma_2 \vdash T_2 \rangle}{M : \langle \Gamma_1 \sqcap \Gamma_2 \vdash T_1 \sqcap T_2 \rangle} \sqcap$$

$$\frac{M : \langle \Gamma \vdash T \rangle}{M : \langle e\Gamma \vdash eT \rangle} \text{ e-app}$$

In order to give a realisability semantics for this system, we needed to define the interpretation of a type to be a set of terms having this type. We were obviously forced to distinguish between the interpretation of  $T$  and  $eT$ . However, in the typing rule e-app, the term  $M$  is unchanged and this poses difficulties. For this reason, we modified slightly the above type system by indexing the terms of the  $\lambda$ -calculus giving us the syntax of terms as:  $M ::= x^i \mid (M N) \mid (\lambda x^i.M)$  (where  $i$  are natural

numbers and where  $M$  and  $N$  need to satisfy a certain condition before  $(M N)$  is allowed as a term) and by slightly changing our type rules and in particular the rule e-app:

$$\frac{M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_i U \rangle}{M^+ : \langle e\Gamma \vdash_i eU \rangle} \text{ (exp)}$$

In this rule,  $M^+$  is  $M$  where all the indices are increased by 1. Obviously these indices needed a revision of the  $\beta$ -reduction and of the typing rules in order to preserve the desirable properties of the type system and the realisability semantics. For this, we defined the good terms and the good types and showed that these notions go hand in hand (e.g., a good type contains only good terms). We developed a realisability semantics where each use of an E-variable in a type corresponds to an index at which evaluation occurs in the  $\lambda$ -term that is assigned the type. This is an elegant solution that captures the intuition behind E-variables. However, in order for this new type system to function well, it was necessary to consider  $\lambda I$ -terms only (removing a subterm from  $M$  also removes important information about  $M$ ) and to drop  $\omega$  completely. This led us to the introduction of  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ -calculus and our first type system  $\vdash_1$  for which we developed a sound realisability semantics for E-variables. However, although the first type system  $\vdash_1$  is crucial to understand the intuition behind the indexing we propose, the realisability semantics for  $\vdash_1$  does not satisfy completeness (and neither subject reduction). For this reason, we modified our system  $\vdash_1$  by considering a smaller set of types (where intersections and expansions cannot occur directly to the right of an arrow), and by adding subtyping rules. This new system  $\vdash_2$  has both soundness and subject reduction. As for completeness, we needed to limit the list of expansion variables to a single element list. This problem of completeness for  $\vdash_2$  comes from the fact that the indexes (the natural numbers) do not permit us to differentiate between the types  $e_1T$  and  $e_2T$  for two different expansion variables  $e_1$  and  $e_2$ . So, again, we were forced to revise our type system. For this, we decided to limit our  $\lambda$ -terms by indexing them by lists of natural numbers (where the natural number  $i$  represents the expansion variable  $e_i$ ). This way the rule exp above will allow us to distinguish the interpretations of the types  $e_iT$  and  $e_jT$  when  $e_i \neq e_j$ . Furthermore, this way, our  $\lambda$ -terms are constructed in such a way that  $K$ -reductions do not limit the information on the starting terms (in fact,  $\beta$ -reduction is not always allowed). In order to obtain completeness with the  $\omega$ -rule, we should also consider  $\omega$  indexed by lists. This means that the new calculus becomes rather heavy but this is unavoidable. It is needed to obtain a complete realisability semantics where an arbitrary (possibly infinite) number of expansion variables is allowed and where the universal type  $\omega$  is present. The use of lists complicates matters and hence, needs to be understood in the context of the first semantics where indices are natural numbers rather than lists of natural numbers. In addition to the above, we have considered three notions of saturations (in line with the literature) illustrating that these notions behave well in our complete realisability semantics.

Section 2 gives the syntax of the indexed calculi we consider in this paper: the  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ -calculus, which is the  $\lambda I$ -calculus with each variable marked by a natural number *degree*, and the full  $\lambda$ -calculus  $\lambda^{\mathcal{L}^{\mathbb{N}}}$ -calculus indexed with finite sequences of natural numbers. We show the confluence of  $\beta$ ,  $\beta\eta$  and weak head reduction  $h$  on our indexed  $\lambda$ -calculi. Section 3 introduces the syntax and terminology for types used in both indexed calculi. Section 4 introduces our three intersection type systems with E-variables  $\vdash_i$  for  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ , where in one, the syntax of types is not restricted (and hence subject reduction fails) but in the other two it is restricted but then extended with a subtyping relation. In Section 5 we study the type theoretical properties of our three type systems including subject reduction and expansion with respect to our various reduction relations  $(\beta, \beta\eta, h)$ . In Section 6, we introduce our realisability semantics and show its soundness for all the three type systems we consider (and for all the reduction relations). In

Section 7 we establish the challenges of showing completeness for the realisability semantics of the first two systems. We show that completeness does not hold for the first system and that it also does not hold for the second system if more than one expansion variable is used, but does hold for a restriction of this system to one single E-variable. This is an important study in the semantics of intersection type systems with expansion variables since a unique expansion variable can be used many times and can occur nested. In Section 8 we establish the completeness of  $\vdash_3$  by introducing a special interpretation. We conclude in Section 9. Due to space limitations, we omit the details of the proofs. Full proofs however can be found in the expanded version of this article (currently at [13]) which will always be available at the authors' web pages.

## 2. The syntax of the indexed $\lambda$ -calculi

We assume that if a metavariable  $v$  ranges over a set  $\mathcal{S}$  then  $v_i$  for  $i \geq 0$  and  $v', v''$ , etc. also range over  $\mathcal{S}$ . A binary relation is a set of pairs. Let  $rel$  range over binary relations. Let  $\text{dom}(rel) = \{x \mid \langle x, y \rangle \in rel\}$  and  $\text{ran}(rel) = \{y \mid \langle x, y \rangle \in rel\}$ . A function is a binary relation  $fun$  such that if  $\{\langle x, y \rangle, \langle x, z \rangle\} \subseteq fun$  then  $y = z$ . Let  $fun$  range over functions. Let  $s \rightarrow s' = \{fun \mid \text{dom}(fun) \subseteq s \wedge \text{ran}(fun) \subseteq s'\}$ . We sometimes write  $x : s$  instead of  $x \in s$ .

### Definition 2.1. (Indices)

We have two kinds of indices: natural numbers for our first semantics (clause 1) and lists of natural numbers for our second semantics (clauses 2..5). We let  $I, J$ , range over indices.

1. Let  $n, m$  range over the set of natural numbers  $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ .
2. Let  $L, K, R$  range over  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}$  the set of finite sequences of natural numbers  $(n_i)_{1 \leq i \leq l}$ . We denote  $\emptyset$  the empty sequence of natural numbers.
3. If  $L = (n_i)_{1 \leq i \leq l}$ , we use  $m :: L$  to denote the sequence  $(r_i)_{1 \leq i \leq l+1}$  where  $r_1 = m$  and for all  $i \in \{2, \dots, l+1\}$ ,  $r_i = n_{i-1}$ . In particular,  $k :: \emptyset = (k)$ .
4. If  $L = (n_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$  and  $K = (m_i)_{1 \leq i \leq m}$ , we use  $L :: K$  to denote the sequence  $(r_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n+m}$  where for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $r_i = n_i$  and for all  $i \in \{n+1, \dots, n+m\}$ ,  $r_i = m_{i-n}$ . In particular,  $L :: \emptyset = \emptyset :: L = L$ .
5. We define on  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}$  a binary relation  $\preceq$  by:
 
$$L_1 \preceq L_2 \text{ (or } L_2 \succeq L_1) \text{ if there exists } L_3 \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}} \text{ such that } L_2 = L_1 :: L_3.$$

**Lemma 2.1.**  $\preceq$  is an order relation on  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}$ .

We assume that  $x, y, z$  range over a countably infinite set of variables  $\mathcal{V}$ .

We will define two indexed calculi: the  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ -calculus (whose set of terms is called  $\mathcal{M}_1$  as well as  $\mathcal{M}_2$  for notational reasons) and the  $\lambda^{\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}}$ -calculus (whose set of terms is  $\mathcal{M}_3$ ). As obvious, indices in  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$  are simple but only allow the  $I$ -part of the calculus.

We let  $M, N, P$  range over  $\mathcal{M}_1 = \mathcal{M}_2$  (resp.  $\mathcal{M}_3$ ) and use  $=$  for syntactic equality. We assume the usual definition of subterms and the usual convention for parentheses and their omission (see Barendregt [1] and Krivine [14]).

The joinability  $M \diamond N$  of terms  $M$  and  $N$  ensures that in any term that contains  $M$  and  $N$ , each variable has a unique index (note that it is more accurate to include this as part of the simultaneous inductions in Definitions 2.3 and 2.5, but for clarity, we took it apart here).

**Definition 2.2. (Joinability  $\diamond$ )**

Let  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ .

- Let  $M, N$  be terms of  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$  (resp.  $\lambda \mathcal{L}^{\mathbb{N}}$ ) and let  $\text{FV}(M)$  and  $\text{FV}(N)$  be the corresponding free variables. We say that  $M$  and  $N$  are joinable and write  $M \diamond N$  iff for all  $x \in \mathcal{V}$ , if  $x^I \in \text{FV}(M)$  and  $x^J \in \text{FV}(N)$  (where  $I, J$  are indices in  $\mathbb{N}$  (resp.  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}$ )), then  $I = J$ .
- If  $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_i$  such that  $\forall M, N \in \mathcal{X}, M \diamond N$ , we write,  $\diamond \mathcal{X}$ .
- If  $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_i$  and  $M \in \mathcal{M}_i$  such that  $\forall N \in \mathcal{X}, M \diamond N$ , we write,  $M \diamond \mathcal{X}$ .

Now we give the syntax of  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ , an indexed version of the  $\lambda I$ -calculus where indices (which range over the set of natural numbers  $\mathbb{N}$ ) help categorise the *good terms* where the degree of a function is never larger than that of its argument. This amounts to having the full  $\lambda I$ -calculus at each index and creating new  $\lambda I$ -terms through a mixing recipe.

**Definition 2.3. (The set of terms  $\mathcal{M}_1$  (also called  $\mathcal{M}_2$ ))**

The set of terms  $\mathcal{M}_1 = \mathcal{M}_2$ , the set of free variables  $\text{FV}(M)$  of  $M \in \mathcal{M}_2$  and the degree  $\text{d}(M)$  of a term  $M$ , are defined by simultaneous induction:

- If  $x \in \mathcal{V}, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $x^n \in \mathcal{M}_2$ ,  $\text{FV}(x^n) = \{x^n\}$ , and  $\text{d}(x^n) = n$ .
- If  $M, N \in \mathcal{M}_2$  such that  $M \diamond N$  (see Definition 2.2), then  $M N \in \mathcal{M}_2$ ,  $\text{FV}(M N) = \text{FV}(M) \cup \text{FV}(N)$  and  $\text{d}(M N) = \min(\text{d}(M), \text{d}(N))$  (where  $\min$  is the minimum)
- If  $M \in \mathcal{M}_2$  and  $x^n \in \text{FV}(M)$ , then  $\lambda x^n.M \in \mathcal{M}_2$ ,  $\text{FV}(\lambda x^n.M) = \text{FV}(M) \setminus \{x^n\}$ , and  $\text{d}((\lambda x^n.M_1)) = \text{d}(M_1)$ .

Note that a subterm of  $M \in \mathcal{M}_2$  is also in  $\mathcal{M}_2$ .

Here is now the syntax of good terms in the  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ -calculus.

**Definition 2.4. (The set of good terms  $\mathbb{M} \subset \mathcal{M}_2$ )**

1. The set of good terms  $\mathbb{M} \subset \mathcal{M}_2$  is defined by:

- If  $x \in \mathcal{V}, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $x^n \in \mathbb{M}$ ,
- If  $M, N \in \mathbb{M}$ ,  $M \diamond N$  and  $\text{d}(M) \leq \text{d}(N)$  then  $M N \in \mathbb{M}$ .
- If  $M \in \mathbb{M}$  and  $x^n \in \text{FV}(M)$ , then  $\lambda x^n.M \in \mathbb{M}$ .

Note that a subterm of  $M \in \mathbb{M}$  is also in  $\mathbb{M}$ .

2. For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we let:     •  $\mathbb{M}^n = \mathbb{M} \cap \mathcal{M}_2^n$

**Lemma 2.2.**     1. ( $M$  is good and  $x^n \in \text{FV}(M)$ ) iff  $\lambda x^n.M$  is good.

2. ( $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are good,  $M_1 \diamond M_2$  and  $d(M_1) \leq d(M_2)$ ) iff  $M_1 M_2$  is good.

Now, we give the syntax of  $\lambda^{\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}}$ . Note that in  $\mathcal{M}_3$ , an application  $M N$  is only allowed when  $d(M) \preceq d(N)$ . This restriction was not made in  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ . Furthermore, we only allow the abstraction  $\lambda x^L.M$  in  $\lambda^{\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}}$   $L \succeq d(M)$  which is also the case in  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$  since there, we only consider the  $I$ -calculus. The elegance of  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$  is the ability to give the syntax of good terms, which is not obvious in  $\lambda^{\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}}$ .

**Definition 2.5. (The set of terms  $\mathcal{M}_3$ )**

The set of terms  $\mathcal{M}_3$ , the set of free variables  $\text{FV}(M)$  of  $M \in \mathcal{M}_3$  and the degree function  $d : \mathcal{M}_3 \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}$  are defined by simultaneous induction:

- If  $x \in \mathcal{V}$  and  $L \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}$ , then  $x^L \in \mathcal{M}_3$ ,  $\text{FV}(x^L) = \{x^L\}$  and  $d(x^L) = L$ .
- If  $M, N \in \mathcal{M}_3$ ,  $d(M) \preceq d(N)$  and  $M \diamond N$  (see Definition 2.2), then  $M N \in \mathcal{M}_3$ ,  $\text{FV}(MN) = \text{FV}(M) \cup \text{FV}(N)$  and  $d(M N) = d(M)$ .
- If  $x \in \mathcal{V}$ ,  $M \in \mathcal{M}_3$  and  $L \succeq d(M)$ , then  $\lambda x^L.M \in \mathcal{M}_3$ ,  $\text{FV}(\lambda x^L.M) = \text{FV}(M) \setminus \{x^L\}$  and  $d(\lambda x^L.M) = d(M)$ .

Note that every subterm of  $M \in \mathcal{M}_3$  is also in  $\mathcal{M}_3$ .

As expansions change the degree of a term, indexes in a term need to increase/decrease. The next definitions turn terms of degree  $n$  into terms of higher degrees and also, if  $n > 0$ , they can be turned into terms of lower degrees. Note that  $^+$  and  $^-$  are well behaved operations with respect to all that matters (free variables, reduction, joinability, substitution, etc.).

**Definition 2.6.** 1. For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we let: •  $\mathcal{M}_2^n = \{M \in \mathcal{M}_2 \mid d(M) = n\}$

•  $\mathcal{M}_2^{>n} = \mathcal{M}_2^{\succeq n+1}$  •  $\mathcal{M}_2^{\geq n} = \{M \in \mathcal{M}_2 \mid d(M) \geq n\}$

2. We define  $^+ : \mathcal{M}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_2$  and  $^- : \mathcal{M}_2^{>0} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_2$  by:

•  $(x^n)^+ = x^{n+1}$  •  $(M_1 M_2)^+ = M_1^+ M_2^+$  •  $(\lambda x^n.M)^+ = \lambda x^{n+1}.M^+$   
 •  $(x^n)^- = x^{n-1}$  •  $(M_1 M_2)^- = M_1^- M_2^-$  •  $(\lambda x^n.M)^- = \lambda x^{n-1}.M^-$

3. Let  $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_2$ . If  $\forall M \in \mathcal{X}$ ,  $d(M) > 0$ , we write  $d(\mathcal{X}) > 0$ . We define:

•  $\mathcal{X}^+ = \{M^+ \mid M \in \mathcal{X}\}$  • If  $d(\mathcal{X}) > 0$ ,  $\mathcal{X}^- = \{M^- \mid M \in \mathcal{X}\}$ .

4. We define  $M^{-n}$  by induction on  $d(M) \geq n \geq 0$ . If  $n = 0$  then  $M^{-n} = M$  and if  $n \geq 0$  then  $M^{-(n+1)} = (M^{-n})^-$ .

**Definition 2.7.** Let  $i \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $M \in \mathcal{M}_3$ .

1. For each  $L \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}$ , we let: •  $\mathcal{M}_3^L = \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3 \mid d(M) = L\}$

•  $\mathcal{M}_3^{\geq L} = \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3 \mid d(M) \succeq L\}$

2. We define  $M^{+i}$  by:

•  $(x^L)^{+i} = x^{i::L}$  •  $(M_1 M_2)^{+i} = M_1^{+i} M_2^{+i}$  •  $(\lambda x^L.M)^{+i} = \lambda x^{i::L}.M^{+i}$

3. If  $d(M) = i :: L$ , we define  $M^{-i}$  by: •  $(x^{i::K})^{-i} = x^K$

•  $(M_1 M_2)^{-i} = M_1^{-i} M_2^{-i}$  •  $(\lambda x^{i::K}.M)^{-i} = \lambda x^K.M^{-i}$

4. Let  $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_3$ . We define  $\mathcal{X}^{+i} = \{M^{+i} \mid M \in \mathcal{X}\}$ .  
Note that  $(\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{Y})^{+i} = \mathcal{X}^{+i} \cap \mathcal{Y}^{+i}$ .

**Definition 2.8. (Substitution, alpha conversion, compatibility, reduction)**

- Let  $m \geq 0$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ ,  $M, N_i$  be terms of  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$  (resp.  $\lambda \mathcal{L}^{\mathbb{N}}$ ) and  $I_i \in \mathbb{N}$  (resp.  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}$ ).  $M[(x_i^{I_i} := N_i)_{1 \leq i \leq m}]$  (or simply  $M[(x_i^{I_i} := N_i)_m]$ ), the simultaneous substitution of  $N_i$  for all free occurrences of  $x_i^{I_i}$  in  $M$  only matters when:

- $\diamond \mathcal{X}$  where  $\mathcal{X} = \{M\} \cup \{N_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq m\}$ .
- $\forall i$  such that  $1 \leq i \leq m$ , we have  $d(N_i) = I_i$ .

We restrict substitution to incorporate these conditions. With  $\mathcal{X}$  as above,  $M[(x_i^{I_i} := N_i)_m]$  is only defined when  $\diamond \mathcal{X}$  and when  $d(N_i) = I_i$  for every  $i$ .<sup>1</sup> We may write  $x_1^{I_1} := N_1, \dots, x_m^{I_m} := N_m$  instead of  $(x_i^{I_i} := N_i)_m$ . We also write  $M[(x_i^{I_i} := N_i)_{1 \leq i \leq 1}]$  as  $M[x_1^{I_1} := N_1]$ .

- In  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$  (resp.  $\lambda \mathcal{L}^{\mathbb{N}}$ ), we take terms modulo  $\alpha$ -conversion given by:  $\lambda x^I.M = \lambda y^J.(M[x^I := y^J])$  where  $\forall J, y^J \notin \text{FV}(M)$  (where  $I, J \in \mathbb{N}$  (resp.  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}$ )). We use the Barendregt convention (BC) where the names of bound variables differ from the free ones and where we rewrite terms so that not both  $\lambda x^I$  and  $\lambda x^J$  co-occur when  $I \neq J$ .
- Let  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . A relation  $R$  on  $\mathcal{M}_i$  is *compatible* iff for all  $M, N, P \in \mathcal{M}_i$ :
  - If  $\langle M, N \rangle \in R$  and  $\lambda x^I.M, \lambda x^I.N \in \mathcal{M}_i$  then  $\langle \lambda x^I.M, \lambda x^I.N \rangle \in R$ .
  - If  $\langle M, N \rangle \in R$  and  $MP, NP \in \mathcal{M}_i$  then  $\langle MP, NP \rangle \in R$ .
  - If  $\langle M, N \rangle \in R$ , and  $PM, PN \in \mathcal{M}_i$  then  $\langle PM, PN \rangle \in R$ .
- Let  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . The reduction relation  $\triangleright_{\beta}$  on  $\mathcal{M}_i$  is defined as the least compatible relation closed under the rule:  $(\lambda x^I.M)N \triangleright_{\beta} M[x^I := N]$  if  $d(N) = I$ .
- Let  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . The reduction relation  $\triangleright_{\eta}$  on  $\mathcal{M}_i$  is defined as the least compatible relation closed under the rule:  $\lambda x^I.(M x^I) \triangleright_{\eta} M$  if  $x^I \notin \text{FV}(M)$
- Let  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . The weak head reduction  $\triangleright_h$  on  $\mathcal{M}_i$  is defined by:  
 $(\lambda x^I.M)NN_1 \dots N_n \triangleright_h M[x^I := N]N_1 \dots N_n$  where  $n \geq 0$
- We let  $\triangleright_{\beta\eta} = \triangleright_{\beta} \cup \triangleright_{\eta}$ .
- For a reduction relation  $\triangleright_r$ , we denote by  $\triangleright_r^*$  the reflexive and transitive closure of  $\triangleright_r$ . We denote by  $\simeq_r$  the equivalence relation induced by  $\triangleright_r^*$ .

The next theorem states that reductions preserve the free variables and the degree of a term.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . Let  $M \in \mathcal{M}_i$  and  $r \in \{\beta, \beta\eta, h\}$ .

1. If  $M \triangleright_r^* N$ , then  $\text{FV}(N) = \text{FV}(M)$  and  $d(M) = d(N)$ .

<sup>1</sup>We can prove the following lemma: Let  $\mathcal{X} = \{M\} \cup \{N_j \mid 1 \leq j \leq m\}$ . We have:  $\diamond \mathcal{X}$  and  $\forall 1 \leq j \leq m, d(N_j) = I_j$  iff  $M[(x_j^{I_j} := N_j)_m] \in \mathcal{M}_i$  where  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ .



2. If  $i = 3$  and  $M \triangleright_r^* N$ , then  $\text{FV}(N) \subseteq \text{FV}(M)$  and  $d(M) = d(N)$ .
3. If  $i \neq 3$  and  $M \triangleright_\beta^* N$  then  $\text{FV}(M) = \text{FV}(N)$ ,  $d(M) = d(N)$  and  $M$  is good iff  $N$  is good.

**Proof:**

1. By induction on  $M \triangleright_\eta^* N$ .
2. Case  $r = \beta$ . By induction on  $M \triangleright_\beta^* N$ .  
Case  $r = \beta\eta$ , by the  $\beta$  and  $\eta$  cases.  
Case  $r = h$ , by the  $\beta$  case.
3. By induction on  $M \triangleright_\beta^* N$ .

□

Normal forms are defined as usual.

**Definition 2.9.** Let  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ .

1.  $M \in \mathcal{M}_i$  is in  $\beta$ - (resp.  $\beta\eta$ -,  $h$ -) normal form if there is no  $N \in \mathcal{M}_i$  such that  $M \triangleright_\beta N$  (resp.  $M \triangleright_{\beta\eta} N$ ,  $M \triangleright_h N$ ).
2.  $M \in \mathcal{M}_i$  is  $\beta$ -normalising (resp.  $\beta\eta$ -normalising,  $h$ -normalising) if there is an  $N \in \mathcal{M}_i$  such that  $M \triangleright_\beta^* N$  (resp.  $M \triangleright_{\beta\eta} N$ ,  $M \triangleright_h N$ ) and  $N$  is in  $\beta$ -normal form (resp.  $\beta\eta$ -normal form,  $h$ -normal form).

Finally,  $\beta$ ,  $\beta\eta$  and  $h$  reductions are confluent on the indexed lambda calculi:

**Theorem 2.2. (Confluence)**

Let  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . Let  $M, M_1, M_2 \in \mathcal{M}_i$  and  $r \in \{\beta, \beta\eta, h\}$ .

1. If  $M \triangleright_r^* M_1$  and  $M \triangleright_r^* M_2$ , then there is  $M'$  such that  $M_1 \triangleright_r^* M'$  and  $M_2 \triangleright_r^* M'$ .
2.  $M_1 \simeq_r M_2$  iff there is a term  $M$  such that  $M_1 \triangleright_r^* M$  and  $M_2 \triangleright_r^* M$ .

**Proof:**

We establish the confluence using the standard parallel reduction method. Full details can be found in [13]. □

### 3. The types of the indexed calculi

We assume that  $a, b$  range over a countably infinite set of type variables  $\mathcal{A}$ , and that  $e$  ranges over a countably infinite set of expansion variables  $\mathcal{E} = \{\bar{e}_0, \bar{e}_1, \dots\}$ . We denote  $\bar{e}_{i_1} \dots \bar{e}_{i_n}$  by  $\vec{e}_{i(1:n)}$  or alternatively by  $\vec{e}_K$ , where  $K = (i_1, \dots, i_n)$ . In all our type systems, we quotient types by taking  $\sqcap$  to be commutative (i.e.  $U_1 \sqcap U_2 = U_2 \sqcap U_1$ ), associative (i.e.  $U_1 \sqcap (U_2 \sqcap U_3) = (U_1 \sqcap U_2) \sqcap U_3$ ) and idempotent (i.e.  $U \sqcap U = U$ ), by assuming the distributivity of expansion variables over  $\sqcap$  (i.e.  $e_i(U_1 \sqcap U_2) = e_i U_1 \sqcap e_i U_2$ ). We denote  $U_n \sqcap U_{n+1} \dots \sqcap U_m$  by  $\prod_{i=n}^m U_i$  (when  $n \leq m$ ).



- If  $L \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}$ , then  $\omega^L \in \mathbb{U}_3$  and  $d(\omega^L) = L$ .
- If  $U_1, U_2 \in \mathbb{U}_3$  and  $d(U_1) = d(U_2)$ , then  $U_1 \sqcap U_2 \in \mathbb{U}_3$  and  $d(U_1 \sqcap U_2) = d(U_1) = d(U_2)$ .
- $U \in \mathbb{U}_3$  and  $\bar{e}_i \in \mathcal{E}$ , then  $\bar{e}_i U \in \mathbb{U}_3$  and  $d(\bar{e}_i U) = i :: d(U)$ .

Note that  $d$  remembers the number of the expansion variables  $\bar{e}_i$  in order to keep a trace of them.

2. We let  $T$  range over  $\mathbb{T}_3$ , and  $U, V, W$  range over  $\mathbb{U}_3$ . We quotient types further by having  $\omega^L$  as a neutral (i.e.  $\omega^L \sqcap U = U$ ). We also assume that for all  $i \geq 0$  and  $K \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}$ ,  $\bar{e}_i \omega^K = \omega^{i::K}$ .

All our type systems use the following definition (of course within the corresponding calculus, with the corresponding indices and types):

**Definition 3.3. (Environments)**

1. Let  $k \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . A type environment for  $\mathbb{U}_k$  is a set  $\{x_1^{I_1} : U_1, \dots, x_n^{I_n} : U_n \mid n \geq 0, \forall 1 \leq i, j \leq n, U_i \in \mathbb{U}_k, \text{ and if } x_i^{I_i} = x_j^{I_j} \text{ then } U_i = U_j\}$ . We denote such environment (call it  $\Gamma$ ) by  $x_1^{I_1} : U_1, \dots, x_n^{I_n} : U_n$  or simply by  $(x_i^{I_i} : U_i)_n$  and define  $\text{dom}(\Gamma) = \{x_i^{I_i} \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ . We let  $\text{Env}_{\mathbb{U}_k}$  be the set of type environments for  $\mathbb{U}_k$ . If  $\text{dom}(\Gamma_1) \cap \text{dom}(\Gamma_2) = \emptyset$ , we write  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  for  $\Gamma_1 \sqcup \Gamma_2$ . Let  $\Gamma, \Delta$  range over environments and let  $()$  be the empty environment.
2. If  $\Gamma = (x_i^{I_i} : U_i)_n$  and  $x^J \notin \text{dom}(\Gamma)$ , then we write  $\Gamma, x^J : U$  for the type environment  $x_1^{I_1} : U_1, \dots, x_n^{I_n} : U_n, x^J : U$ .
3. We say that  $\Gamma_1$  is joinable with  $\Gamma_2$  and write  $\Gamma_1 \diamond \Gamma_2$  iff for all  $x \in \mathcal{V}$ , if  $x^I \in \text{dom}(\Gamma_1)$  and  $x^J \in \text{dom}(\Gamma_2)$ , then  $I = J$ .
4. We say that a type environment  $\Gamma$  is OK (and write  $\text{OK}(\Gamma)$ ) iff for all  $x^I : U \in \Gamma$ ,  $d(U) = I$ .
5. Let  $\Gamma_1 = (x_i^{I_i} : U_i)_n, \Gamma'_1, \Gamma_2 = (x_i^{I_i} : U'_i)_n, \Gamma'_2$  where  $\text{dom}(\Gamma'_1) \cap \text{dom}(\Gamma'_2) = \emptyset$  and  $\forall 1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $d(U_i) = d(U'_i)$ . We denote  $\Gamma_1 \sqcap \Gamma_2$  the type environment  $(x_i^{I_i} : U_i \sqcap U'_i)_n, \Gamma'_1, \Gamma'_2$ . Note that  $\text{dom}(\Gamma_1 \sqcap \Gamma_2) = \text{dom}(\Gamma_1) \cup \text{dom}(\Gamma_2)$  and that, on environments,  $\sqcap$  is commutative, associative and idempotent.
6. In  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$  (i.e., on  $\text{Env}_{\mathbb{U}_1}$  and  $\text{Env}_{\mathbb{U}_2}$ ), we define for  $\Gamma = (x_i^{n_i} : U_i)_n$ :
  - $\Gamma$  is good iff, for every  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $U_i$  is good.
  - $d(\Gamma) > 0$  iff for every  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $d(U_i) > 0$  and  $n_i > 0$ .
  - $e\Gamma = (x_i^{n_i+1} : eU_i)_n$ . So  $e(\Gamma_1 \sqcap \Gamma_2) = e\Gamma_1 \sqcap e\Gamma_2$ .
7. In  $\lambda \mathcal{L}^{\mathbb{N}}$  (i.e., on  $\text{Env}_{\mathbb{U}_3}$ ), we define:
  - If  $M \in \mathcal{M}_3$  and  $\text{FV}(M) = \{x_1^{L_1}, \dots, x_n^{L_n}\}$ , let  $\text{env}_M^\omega$  be the type environment  $(x_i^{L_i} : \omega^{L_i})_n$ .
  - Let  $\Gamma = (x_i^{L_i} : U_i)_n$  and  $\bar{e}_j \in \mathcal{E}$ .
    - We denote  $\bar{e}_j \Gamma = (x_i^{j::L_i} : \bar{e}_j U_i)_n$ . Note that  $e(\Gamma_1 \sqcap \Gamma_2) = e\Gamma_1 \sqcap e\Gamma_2$ .
    - $d(\Gamma) \succeq L$  if and only if for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $d(U_i) \succeq L$ .

As we did for terms, we decrease the indexes of types and environments.

**Definition 3.4. (Degree decreasing in  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ )**

1. If  $d(U) > 0$ , we inductively define the type  $U^-$  by:
  - $(U_1 \sqcap U_2)^- = U_1^- \sqcap U_2^-$                       •  $(eU)^- = U$
 If  $d(U) \geq n \geq 0$ , we inductively define the type  $U^{-n}$  by:
  - if  $n = 0$  then  $U^{-n} = U$  and if  $n \geq 0$  then  $U^{-(n+1)} = (U^{-n})^-$ .
2. If  $\Gamma = (x_i^{n_i} : U_i)_k$  and  $d(\Gamma) > 0$ , then we let  $\Gamma^- = (x_i^{n_i-1} : U_i^-)_k$ .  
 If  $d(\Gamma) \geq n \geq 0$ , then,
  - if  $n = 0$  then  $\Gamma^{-n} = \Gamma$  and if  $n \geq 0$  then  $\Gamma^{-(n+1)} = (\Gamma^{-n})^-$ .

**Definition 3.5. (Degree decreasing in  $\lambda \mathcal{L}^{\mathbb{N}}$ )**

1. If  $d(U) \succeq L$ , then if  $L = \emptyset$  then  $U^{-L} = U$  else  $L = i :: K$  and we inductively define the type  $U^{-L}$  as follows:
  - $(U_1 \sqcap U_2)^{-i::K} = U_1^{-i::K} \sqcap U_2^{-i::K}$                        $(\bar{e}_i U)^{-i::K} = U^{-K}$
 We write  $U^{-i}$  instead of  $U^{-(i)}$ .
2. If  $\Gamma = (x_i^{L_i} : U_i)_k$  and  $d(\Gamma) \succeq L$ , then for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ ,  $L_i = L :: L'_i$  and  $\Gamma^{-L}$  denote  $(x_i^{L'_i} : U_i^{-L})_k$ .  
 We write  $\Gamma^{-i}$  instead of  $\Gamma^{-(i)}$ .

**4. The type systems  $\vdash_1$  and  $\vdash_2$  for  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$  and  $\vdash_3$  for  $\lambda \mathcal{L}^{\mathbb{N}}$** 

In this section we introduce our three type systems  $\vdash_i$  for  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ , our intersection type systems with expansion variables. The systems  $\vdash_1$  (which uses types in  $\mathbb{U}_1$ ) and  $\vdash_2$  (which uses types in  $\mathbb{U}_2$ ) are for  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ ,  $\vdash_3$  (which uses types in  $\mathbb{U}_3$ ) is for  $\lambda \mathcal{L}^{\mathbb{N}}$ . In  $\vdash_1$ , types are not restricted and Subject Reduction (SR) fails. In  $\vdash_2$ , the syntax of types is restricted (see  $\mathbb{U}_2$ ), and in order to guarantee SR for this type system (and hence completeness later on), we introduce a subtyping relation which will allow intersection type elimination (something not available in the first type system). In  $\vdash_3$ , the syntax of types is restricted further (see  $\mathbb{U}_3$ ) so that completeness will hold with an arbitrary number of expansion variables.

We follow [3] and write type judgements as  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash U \rangle$  instead of  $\Gamma \vdash M : U$ .

**Definition 4.1. (The type systems)**

Let  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . The type system  $\vdash_i$  uses the set  $\mathbb{U}_i$  of definitions 3.1 and 3.2. The typing rules of  $\vdash_1$  and  $\vdash_2$  are given on the left of Figure 1 (recall that when used for  $\vdash_1$ ,  $U$  and  $T$  range over all of  $\mathbb{U}_1$ , and when used for  $\vdash_2$ ,  $U$  ranges over  $\mathbb{U}_2$  and  $T$  ranges only over  $\mathbb{T}_2$ ). The typing rules of  $\vdash_3$  are given on the left of Figure 2. In the last clause, the binary relation  $\sqsubseteq$  is defined on  $\mathbb{U}_2$  and  $\mathbb{U}_3$  by the rules on the right hand side of Figures 1 and 2 respectively. For  $j \in \{2, 3\}$ , we let  $\Phi$  denote types in  $\mathbb{U}_j$ , or environments  $\Gamma$  or  $j$ -typings  $\langle \Gamma \vdash_j U \rangle$ . When  $\Phi \sqsubseteq \Phi'$ , then  $\Phi$  and  $\Phi'$  belong to the same set  $(\mathbb{U}_j / Env_{\mathbb{U}_j} / j$ -typings).

- We say that  $\Gamma$  is  $\vdash_i$ -legal iff there are  $M, U$  such that  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_i U \rangle$ .
- Let  $k \in \{1, 2\}$ . We say that
  - $\langle \Gamma \vdash_k U \rangle$  is good iff  $\Gamma$  and  $U$  are good.
  - $d(\langle \Gamma \vdash_k U \rangle) > 0$  iff  $d(\Gamma) > 0$  and  $d(U) > 0$ .
- We say that  $d(\langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle) \succeq L$  if and only if  $d(\Gamma) \succeq L$  and  $d(U) \succeq L$ .

To illustrate how our indexed type system works, we give an example:

<p style="text-align: center;">Let <math>i \in \{1, 2\}</math>  In <math>\vdash_1, U</math> and <math>T</math> range over all of <math>\mathbb{U}_1</math>.  In <math>\vdash_2, U</math> ranges over <math>\mathbb{U}_2</math> and <math>T</math> ranges only over <math>\mathbb{T}_2</math></p> $\frac{T \text{ good} \quad d(T) = n}{x^n : \langle (x^n : T) \vdash_1 T \rangle} \text{ (ax)}$ $\frac{T \text{ good}}{x^0 : \langle (x^0 : T) \vdash_2 T \rangle} \text{ (ax)}$ $\frac{M : \langle \Gamma, (x^n : U) \vdash_i T \rangle}{\lambda x^n. M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_i U \rightarrow T \rangle} \text{ (}\rightarrow_I\text{)}$ $\frac{M_1 : \langle \Gamma_1 \vdash_i U \rightarrow T \rangle \quad M_2 : \langle \Gamma_2 \vdash_i U \rangle \quad \Gamma_1 \diamond \Gamma_2}{M_1 M_2 : \langle \Gamma_1 \sqcap \Gamma_2 \vdash_i T \rangle} \text{ (}\rightarrow_E\text{)}$ $\frac{M : \langle \Gamma_1 \vdash_i U_1 \rangle \quad M : \langle \Gamma_2 \vdash_i U_2 \rangle}{M : \langle \Gamma_1 \sqcap \Gamma_2 \vdash_i U_1 \sqcap U_2 \rangle} \text{ (}\sqcap_I\text{)}$ $\frac{M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_i U \rangle}{M^+ : \langle e\Gamma \vdash_i eU \rangle} \text{ (exp)}$ $\frac{M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_2 U \rangle \quad \langle \Gamma \vdash_2 U \rangle \sqsubseteq \langle \Gamma' \vdash_2 U' \rangle}{M : \langle \Gamma' \vdash_2 U' \rangle} \text{ (}\sqsubseteq\text{)}$	<p style="text-align: center;"><math>\sqsubseteq</math> is defined on:  <math>\mathbb{U}_2, Env_{\mathbb{U}_2}</math> and 2-typings.</p> $\overline{\Phi \sqsubseteq \Phi} \text{ (ref)}$ $\frac{\Phi_1 \sqsubseteq \Phi_2 \quad \Phi_2 \sqsubseteq \Phi_3}{\Phi_1 \sqsubseteq \Phi_3} \text{ (tr)}$ $\frac{U_2 \text{ good} \quad d(U_1) = d(U_2)}{U_1 \sqcap U_2 \sqsubseteq U_1} \text{ (}\sqcap_E\text{)}$ $\frac{U_1 \sqsubseteq V_1 \quad U_2 \sqsubseteq V_2}{U_1 \sqcap U_2 \sqsubseteq V_1 \sqcap V_2} \text{ (}\sqcap\text{)}$ $\frac{U_2 \sqsubseteq U_1 \quad T_1 \sqsubseteq T_2}{U_1 \rightarrow T_1 \sqsubseteq U_2 \rightarrow T_2} \text{ (}\rightarrow\text{)}$ $\frac{U_1 \sqsubseteq U_2}{eU_1 \sqsubseteq eU_2} \text{ (}\sqsubseteq_{exp}\text{)}$ $\frac{U_1 \sqsubseteq U_2 \quad y^n \notin \text{dom}(\Gamma)}{\Gamma, (y^n : U_1) \sqsubseteq \Gamma, (y^n : U_2)} \text{ (}\sqsubseteq_c\text{)}$ $\frac{U_1 \sqsubseteq U_2 \quad \Gamma_2 \sqsubseteq \Gamma_1}{\langle \Gamma_1 \vdash_2 U_1 \rangle \sqsubseteq \langle \Gamma_2 \vdash_2 U_2 \rangle} \text{ (}\sqsubseteq_{\diamond}\text{)}$
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Figure 1. Typing rules / Subtyping rules for  $\vdash_1$  and  $\vdash_2$ 

**Example 4.1.** Let  $L_1 = 3 :: \circ \preceq L_2 = 3 :: 2 :: \circ \preceq L_3 = 3 :: 2 :: 1 :: \circ \preceq L_4 = 3 :: 2 :: 1 :: 0 :: \circ$  and let  $a, b, c, d \in \mathcal{A}$ . Consider  $M, M', U$  as follows:

$$M = \lambda x^{L_2}. \lambda y^{L_1}. (y^{L_1} (x^{L_2} \lambda u^{L_3}. \lambda v^{L_4}. (u^{L_3} (v^{L_4} v^{L_4})))) \in \mathcal{M}_3.$$

$$M' = \lambda x^2. \lambda y^1. (y^1 (x^2 \lambda u^3. \lambda v^4. (u^3 (v^4 v^4)))) \in \mathcal{M}_2.$$

$$U = \bar{e}_3(\bar{e}_2(\bar{e}_1((\bar{e}_0 b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (\bar{e}_0(a \sqcap (a \rightarrow b)) \rightarrow c)) \rightarrow d) \rightarrow (((\bar{e}_2 d \rightarrow a) \sqcap b) \rightarrow a)).$$

We invite the reader to check that  $M : \langle () \vdash_3 U \rangle$  and  $M' : \langle () \vdash_2 U \rangle$ . We simply give some steps in the derivation of  $M : \langle () \vdash_3 U \rangle$  (note that the derivation of  $M' : \langle () \vdash_2 U \rangle$  only differs from the derivation of  $M : \langle () \vdash_3 U \rangle$  by replacing everywhere  $\vdash_3$  by  $\vdash_2$  and any list  $n_1 :: n_2 \cdots :: n_k :: \circ$  by  $k$  for any  $k \geq 0$ ):

- $v^\circ v^\circ : \langle v^\circ : a \sqcap (a \rightarrow b) \vdash_3 b \rangle$
- $v^{0::\circ} v^{0::\circ} : \langle v^{0::\circ} : \bar{e}_0(a \sqcap (a \rightarrow b)) \vdash_3 \bar{e}_0 b \rangle$
- $u^\circ : \langle u^\circ : \bar{e}_0 b \rightarrow c \vdash_3 \bar{e}_0 b \rightarrow c \rangle$
- $u^\circ (v^{0::\circ} v^{0::\circ}) : \langle u^\circ : \bar{e}_0 b \rightarrow c, v^{0::\circ} : \bar{e}_0(a \sqcap (a \rightarrow b)) \vdash_3 c \rangle$
- $\lambda v^{0::\circ}. u^\circ (v^{0::\circ} v^{0::\circ}) : \langle u^\circ : \bar{e}_0 b \rightarrow c \vdash_3 \bar{e}_0(a \sqcap (a \rightarrow b)) \rightarrow c \rangle$

<p style="text-align: center;"><math>U</math> ranges over <math>\mathbb{U}_3</math> and <math>T</math> ranges only over <math>\mathbb{T}_3</math></p> $\frac{}{x^\circ : \langle (x^\circ : T) \vdash_3 T \rangle} \text{ (ax)}$ $\frac{}{M : \langle env_M^\omega \vdash_3 \omega^{d(M)} \rangle} \text{ (\omega)}$ $\frac{M : \langle \Gamma, (x^L : U) \vdash_3 T \rangle}{\lambda x^L. M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rightarrow T \rangle} \text{ (\rightarrow_I)}$ $\frac{M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 T \rangle \quad x^L \notin \text{dom}(\Gamma)}{\lambda x^L. M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 \omega^L \rightarrow T \rangle} \text{ (\rightarrow'_I)}$ $\frac{M_1 : \langle \Gamma_1 \vdash_3 U \rightarrow T \rangle \quad M_2 : \langle \Gamma_2 \vdash_3 U \rangle \quad \Gamma_1 \diamond \Gamma_2}{M_1 M_2 : \langle \Gamma_1 \sqcap \Gamma_2 \vdash_3 T \rangle} \text{ (\rightarrow_E)}$ $\frac{M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U_1 \rangle \quad M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U_2 \rangle}{M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U_1 \sqcap U_2 \rangle} \text{ (\sqcap_I)}$ $\frac{M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle}{M^{+j} : \langle \bar{e}_j \Gamma \vdash_3 \bar{e}_j U \rangle} \text{ (e)}$ $\frac{M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle \quad \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle \sqsubseteq \langle \Gamma' \vdash_3 U' \rangle}{M : \langle \Gamma' \vdash_3 U' \rangle} \text{ (\sqsubseteq)}$	<p style="text-align: center;"><math>\sqsubseteq</math> is defined on: <math>\mathbb{U}_3, Env_{\mathbb{U}_3}</math> and 3-typing.</p> $\frac{}{\Phi \sqsubseteq \Phi} \text{ (ref)}$ $\frac{\Phi_1 \sqsubseteq \Phi_2 \quad \Phi_2 \sqsubseteq \Phi_3}{\Phi_1 \sqsubseteq \Phi_3} \text{ (tr)}$ $\frac{d(U_1) = d(U_2)}{U_1 \sqcap U_2 \sqsubseteq U_1} \text{ (\sqcap_E)}$ $\frac{U_1 \sqsubseteq V_1 \quad U_2 \sqsubseteq V_2 \quad d(U_1) = d(U_2)}{U_1 \sqcap U_2 \sqsubseteq V_1 \sqcap V_2} \text{ (\sqcap)}$ $\frac{U_2 \sqsubseteq U_1 \quad T_1 \sqsubseteq T_2}{U_1 \rightarrow T_1 \sqsubseteq U_2 \rightarrow T_2} \text{ (\rightarrow)}$ $\frac{U_1 \sqsubseteq U_2}{eU_1 \sqsubseteq eU_2} \text{ (\sqsubseteq_e)}$ $\frac{U_1 \sqsubseteq U_2 \quad y^L \notin \text{dom}(\Gamma)}{\Gamma, y^L : U_1 \sqsubseteq \Gamma, y^L : U_2} \text{ (\sqsubseteq_e)}$ $\frac{U_1 \sqsubseteq U_2 \quad \Gamma_2 \sqsubseteq \Gamma_1}{\langle \Gamma_1 \vdash_3 U_1 \rangle \sqsubseteq \langle \Gamma_2 \vdash_3 U_2 \rangle} \text{ (\sqsubseteq_\diamond)}$
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Figure 2. Typing rules / Subtyping rules for  $\vdash_3$ 

- $\lambda u^\circ. \lambda v^{0::\circ}. u^\circ (v^{0::\circ} v^{0::\circ}) : \langle () \vdash_3 (\bar{e}_0 b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (\bar{e}_0 (a \sqcap (a \rightarrow b)) \rightarrow c) \rangle$
- $\lambda u^{1::\circ}. \lambda v^{1::0::\circ}. u^{1::\circ} (v^{1::0::\circ} v^{1::0::\circ}) :$   
 $\langle () \vdash_3 \bar{e}_1 ((\bar{e}_0 b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (\bar{e}_0 (a \sqcap (a \rightarrow b)) \rightarrow c)) \rangle$
- $x^\circ : \langle x^\circ : \bar{e}_1 ((\bar{e}_0 b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (\bar{e}_0 (a \sqcap (a \rightarrow b)) \rightarrow c)) \rightarrow d$   
 $\vdash_3 \bar{e}_1 ((\bar{e}_0 b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (\bar{e}_0 (a \sqcap (a \rightarrow b)) \rightarrow c)) \rightarrow d \rangle$
- $x^\circ (\lambda u^{1::\circ}. \lambda v^{1::0::\circ}. u^{1::\circ} (v^{1::0::\circ} v^{1::0::\circ})) :$   
 $\langle x^\circ : \bar{e}_1 ((\bar{e}_0 b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (\bar{e}_0 (a \sqcap (a \rightarrow b)) \rightarrow c)) \rightarrow d \vdash_3 d \rangle$
- $x^{2::\circ} (\lambda u^{2::1::\circ}. \lambda v^{2::1::0::\circ}. u^{2::1::\circ} (v^{2::1::0::\circ} v^{2::1::0::\circ})) :$   
 $\langle x^{2::\circ} : \bar{e}_2 (\bar{e}_1 ((\bar{e}_0 b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (\bar{e}_0 (a \sqcap (a \rightarrow b)) \rightarrow c)) \rightarrow d) \vdash_3 \bar{e}_2 d \rangle$
- $y^\circ (x^{2::\circ} (\lambda u^{2::1::\circ}. \lambda v^{2::1::0::\circ}. u^{2::1::\circ} (v^{2::1::0::\circ} v^{2::1::0::\circ}))) :$   
 $\langle x^{2::\circ} : \bar{e}_2 (\bar{e}_1 ((\bar{e}_0 b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (\bar{e}_0 (a \sqcap (a \rightarrow b)) \rightarrow c)) \rightarrow d),$   
 $y^\circ : (\bar{e}_2 d \rightarrow a) \sqcap b \vdash_3 a \rangle$
- $\lambda y^\circ. (y^\circ (x^{2::\circ} (\lambda u^{2::1::\circ}. \lambda v^{2::1::0::\circ}. u^{2::1::\circ} (v^{2::1::0::\circ} v^{2::1::0::\circ})))) :$   
 $\langle x^{2::\circ} : \bar{e}_2 (\bar{e}_1 ((\bar{e}_0 b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (\bar{e}_0 (a \sqcap (a \rightarrow b)) \rightarrow c)) \rightarrow d),$

$$\vdash_3 ((\bar{e}_2 d \rightarrow a) \sqcap b) \rightarrow a >$$

- $\lambda x^{2::\circ} . \lambda y^\circ . (y^\circ (x^{2::\circ} (\lambda u^{2::1::\circ} . \lambda v^{2::1::0::\circ} . u^{2::1::\circ} (v^{2::1::0::\circ} v^{2::1::0::\circ})))) : < () \vdash_3 \bar{e}_2 (\bar{e}_1 ((\bar{e}_0 b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (\bar{e}_0 (a \sqcap (a \rightarrow b)) \rightarrow c)) \rightarrow d), \rightarrow (((\bar{e}_2 d \rightarrow a) \sqcap b) \rightarrow a) >$
- $\lambda x^{L_2} . \lambda y^{L_1} . (y^{L_1} (x^{L_2} (\lambda u^{L_3} . \lambda v^{L_4} . u^{L_3} (v^{L_4} v^{L_4})))) : < () \vdash_3 \bar{e}_3 (\bar{e}_2 (\bar{e}_1 ((\bar{e}_0 b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (\bar{e}_0 (a \sqcap (a \rightarrow b)) \rightarrow c)) \rightarrow d), \rightarrow (((\bar{e}_2 d \rightarrow a) \sqcap b) \rightarrow a) >$

**Definition 4.2.** 1. In  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ , if  $U \in \mathbb{U}_2$  and  $\Gamma \in Env_{\mathbb{U}_2}$  such that  $d(\Gamma) > 0$  and  $d(U) > 0$ , then we let  $(\langle \Gamma \vdash_2 U \rangle)^- = (\langle \Gamma^- \vdash_2 U^- \rangle)$ .

2. In  $\lambda^{\mathcal{L}\mathbb{N}}$ , if  $U \in \mathbb{U}_3$  and  $\Gamma \in Env_{\mathbb{U}_3}$  such that  $d(\Gamma) \succeq K$  and  $d(U) \succeq K$ , then we denote  $(\langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle)^{-K} = \langle \Gamma^{-K} \vdash_3 U^{-K} \rangle$ .

Next we show how ordering propagates to environments and relates degrees:

**Lemma 4.1.** 1. If  $\Gamma \sqsubseteq \Gamma'$ ,  $U \sqsubseteq U'$  and  $x^I \notin \text{dom}(\Gamma)$  then  $\Gamma, (x^I : U) \sqsubseteq \Gamma', (x^I : U')$ .

2.  $\Gamma \sqsubseteq \Gamma'$  iff  $\Gamma = (x_i^{I_i} : U_i)_n$ ,  $\Gamma' = (x_i^{I_i} : U'_i)_n$  and for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $U_i \sqsubseteq U'_i$ .

3. Let  $j \in \{2, 3\}$ .  $\langle \Gamma \vdash_j U \rangle \sqsubseteq \langle \Gamma' \vdash_j U' \rangle$  iff  $\Gamma' \sqsubseteq \Gamma$  and  $U \sqsubseteq U'$ .

4.  $\sqsubseteq$  is well defined on  $\mathbb{U}_j$ ,  $Env_{\mathbb{U}_j}$  and on  $j$ -typings, for  $j \in \{2, 3, \}$ .

5. If  $U_1 \sqsubseteq U_2$  then  $d(U_1) = d(U_2)$  and  $U_1$  is good iff  $U_2$  is good.

6. If  $\Gamma_1 \sqsubseteq \Gamma_2$  then  $d(\Gamma_1) \succeq L$  iff  $d(\Gamma_2) \succeq L$ .

**Proof:**

1. and 2. By induction on the derivation  $\Gamma \sqsubseteq \Gamma'$ .

3. By induction on the derivation  $\langle \Gamma \vdash_j U \rangle \sqsubseteq \langle \Gamma' \vdash_j U' \rangle$ .

4. By induction on the derivation  $\Phi_1 \sqsubseteq \Phi_2$

5. By induction on the derivation  $U_1 \sqsubseteq U_2$ .

6. By induction on the derivation  $\Gamma_1 \sqsubseteq \Gamma_2$ . □

The next theorem states that typings are well defined, that within a typing, degrees are well behaved and that we do not allow weakening.

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . We have:

1.  $\vdash_j$  is well defined on  $\mathcal{M}_j \times Env_{\mathbb{U}_j} \times \mathbb{U}_j$ .

2. Let  $\Gamma = (x_i^{I_i} : U_i)_n$  and  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_j U \rangle$ . Then:

(a)  $d(M) = d(U)$  and  $\forall 1 \leq i \leq n, d(U_i) = I_i$ .

(b) If  $j = 3$  then  $d(\Gamma) \succeq d(U)$ .

(c) If  $j \neq 3$  then  $U$  and  $M$  are good and  $\forall 1 \leq i \leq n, d(U_i) \geq d(M)$  and  $U_i$  is good.

3. Let  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_j U \rangle$ . Then:

(a)  $\text{dom}(\Gamma) = \text{FV}(M)$ .

(b) If  $j \neq 3$  and  $d(U) \geq k$  then  $M^{-k} : \langle \Gamma^{-k} \vdash_j U^{-k} \rangle$ .

(c) If  $j = 3$  and  $d(U) \succeq K$  then  $M^{-K} : \langle \Gamma^{-K} \vdash_3 U^{-K} \rangle$ .

**Proof:**

We prove 1 and 2 simultaneously by induction on the derivation  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_j U \rangle$  using Lemma 4.1. We prove 3 by induction on the derivation  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_j U \rangle$ .  $\square$

Here are some derivable typing rules.

**Remark 4.1.** Let  $j \in \{2, 3\}$ .

1. The rule  $\frac{M : \langle \Gamma_1 \vdash_j U_1 \rangle \quad M : \langle \Gamma_2 \vdash_j U_2 \rangle}{M : \langle \Gamma_1 \sqcap \Gamma_2 \vdash_j U_1 \sqcap U_2 \rangle} \sqcap'_I$  is derivable.
2. The rule  $\frac{U \text{ is good} \quad d(U) = n}{x^n : \langle (x^n : U) \vdash_2 U \rangle} ax'$  is derivable.
3. The rule  $\frac{}{x^{d(U)} : \langle (x^{d(U)} : U) \vdash_3 U \rangle} ax''$  is derivable.
4. The rule  $\frac{}{U \sqsubseteq \omega^{d(U)}} \omega$  is derivable.

**Lemma 4.2.** Let  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ .

1. If  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle$  then  $\Gamma \sqsubseteq \text{env}_M^\omega$
2. If  $\text{dom}(\Gamma) = \text{FV}(M)$ , and  $\forall x^L : U \in \Gamma, d(U) = L$  then  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 \omega^{d(M)} \rangle$ .
3. If  $M_1 : \langle \Gamma_1 \vdash_i U \rangle$  and  $M_2 : \langle \Gamma_2 \vdash_i U \rangle$  then  $\Gamma_1 \diamond \Gamma_2$  iff  $M_1 \diamond M_2$ .

**Proof:**

1. Let  $\Gamma = (x_i^{L_i} : U_i)_n$  where  $\text{FV}(M) = \{x_1^{L_1}, x_2^{L_2}, \dots, x_n^{L_n}\}$  by Theorem 4.1.3a. Since by Remark 4.1.4 resp. Theorem 4.1.2,  $\forall 1 \leq i \leq n, U_i \sqsubseteq \omega^{d(U_i)}$  resp.  $d(U_i) = L_i$ , then by Lemma 4.1.2,  $\Gamma \sqsubseteq \text{env}_M^\omega$ .
2. Let  $\Gamma = (x_i^{L_i} : U_i)_n$  where  $\text{FV}(M) = \{x_1^{L_1}, x_2^{L_2}, \dots, x_n^{L_n}\}$  and  $\forall 1 \leq i \leq n, d(U_i) = L_i$ . By Remark 4.1.4,  $U_i \sqsubseteq \omega^{L_i}$ . By Lemma 4.1.1,  $\Gamma \sqsubseteq \text{env}_M^\omega = (x^{L_i} : \omega^{L_i})_n$ . Since by  $\omega$ ,  $M : \langle \text{env}_M^\omega \vdash_3 \omega^{d(M)} \rangle$ , we have by  $\sqsubseteq$  and  $\sqsubseteq \langle \rangle$ ,  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 \omega^{d(M)} \rangle$ .
3. If) Let  $x^I \in \text{dom}(\Gamma_1)$  and  $x^J \in \text{dom}(\Gamma_2)$  then by Theorem 4.1.3a,  $x^I \in \text{FV}(M_1)$  and  $x^J \in \text{FV}(M_2)$  so  $\Gamma_1 \diamond \Gamma_2$ . Only if) Let  $x^I \in \text{FV}(M_1)$  and  $x^J \in \text{FV}(M_2)$  then by Theorem 4.1.3a,  $x^I \in \text{dom}(\Gamma_1)$  and  $x^J \in \text{dom}(\Gamma_2)$  so  $M_1 \diamond M_2$ .  $\square$



## 5. Subject reduction and expansion properties

Now we list the generation lemmas for the three type systems (for proofs see [13]).

### Lemma 5.1. (Generation for $\vdash_1$ )

1. If  $x^n : \langle \Gamma \vdash_1 T \rangle$ , then  $\Gamma = (x^n : T)$ .
2. If  $\lambda x^n.M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_1 T_1 \rightarrow T_2 \rangle$ , then  $M : \langle \Gamma, x^n : T_1 \vdash_1 T_2 \rangle$ .
3. If  $MN : \langle \Gamma \vdash_1 T \rangle$  then  $\Gamma = \Gamma_1 \sqcap \Gamma_2$ ,  $T = \prod_{i=1}^n \vec{e}_{i(1:m_i)} T_i$ ,  $n \geq 1$ ,  $m_i \geq 0$ ,  $M : \langle \Gamma_1 \vdash_1 \prod_{i=1}^n \vec{e}_{i(1:m_i)}(T_i \rightarrow T_i) \rangle$  and  $N : \langle \Gamma_2 \vdash_1 \prod_{i=1}^n \vec{e}_{i(1:m_i)} T_i' \rangle$ .

### Lemma 5.2. (Generation for $\vdash_2$ )

1. If  $x^n : \langle \Gamma \vdash_2 U \rangle$ , then  $\Gamma = (x^n : V)$  where  $V \sqsubseteq U$ .
2. If  $\lambda x^n.M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_2 U \rangle$  and  $d(U) = m$ , then  $U = \prod_{i=1}^k \vec{e}_{i(1:m)}(V_i \rightarrow T_i)$  where  $k \geq 1$  and  $\forall 1 \leq i \leq k$ ,  $M : \langle \Gamma, x^n : \vec{e}_{i(1:m)} V_i \vdash_2 \vec{e}_{i(1:m)} T_i \rangle$ .

### Lemma 5.3. (Generation for $\vdash_3$ )

1. If  $x^L : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle$ , then  $\Gamma = (x^L : V)$  and  $V \sqsubseteq U$ .
2. If  $\lambda x^L.M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle$ ,  $x^L \in \text{FV}(M)$  and  $d(U) = K$ , then  $U = \omega^K$  or  $U = \prod_{i=1}^p \vec{e}_K(V_i \rightarrow T_i)$  where  $p \geq 1$  and for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, p\}$ ,  $M : \langle \Gamma, x^L : \vec{e}_K V_i \vdash_3 \vec{e}_K T_i \rangle$ .
3. If  $\lambda x^L.M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle$ ,  $x^L \notin \text{FV}(M)$  and  $d(U) = K$ , then  $U = \omega^K$  or  $U = \prod_{i=1}^p \vec{e}_K(V_i \rightarrow T_i)$  where  $p \geq 1$  and for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, p\}$ ,  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 \vec{e}_K T_i \rangle$ .
4. If  $M x^L : \langle \Gamma, (x^L : U) \vdash_3 T \rangle$  and  $x^L \notin \text{FV}(M)$ , then  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rightarrow T \rangle$ .

### Proof:

1. By induction on the derivation  $x^L : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle$ .
2. By induction on the derivation  $\lambda x^L.M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle$ .
3. Same proof as that of 2.
4. By induction on the derivation  $M x^L : \langle \Gamma, x^L : U \vdash_3 T \rangle$ .  $\square$

We also show that no  $\beta$ -redexes are blocked in a typable term.

### Lemma 5.4. (No $\beta$ -redexes are blocked in typable terms)

Let  $i \in \{1, 2\}$  and  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_i U \rangle$ . If  $(\lambda x^n.M_1)M_2$  is a subterm of  $M$ , then  $d(M_2) = n$  and hence  $(\lambda x^n.M_1)M_2 \triangleright_\beta M_1[x^n := M_2]$ .

### Lemma 5.5. (Substitution for $\vdash_2$ and $\vdash_3$ )

Let  $i \in \{2, 3\}$ . If  $M : \langle \Gamma, x^I : U \vdash_i V \rangle$ ,  $N : \langle \Delta \vdash_i U \rangle$  and  $M \diamond N$  then  $M[x^I := N] : \langle \Gamma \sqcap \Delta \vdash_i V \rangle$ .

### Proof:

By induction on the derivation  $M : \langle \Gamma, x^I : U \vdash_i V \rangle$ .  $\square$

### Lemma 5.6. (Substitution and Subject $\beta$ -reduction fails for $\vdash_1$ )

Let  $a, b, c$  be different elements of  $\mathcal{A}$ . We have:

1.  $(\lambda x^0.x^0 x^0)(y^0 z^0) \triangleright_\beta (y^0 z^0)(y^0 z^0)$

2.  $(\lambda x^0 . x^0 x^0)(y^0 z^0) : \langle y^0 : b \rightarrow ((a \rightarrow c) \sqcap a), z^0 : b \vdash_1 c \rangle$ .
3.  $x^0 x^0 : \langle x^0 : (a \rightarrow c) \sqcap a \vdash_1 c \rangle$ .
4. It is not possible that  
 $(y^0 z^0)(y^0 z^0) : \langle y^0 : b \rightarrow ((a \rightarrow c) \sqcap a), z^0 : b \vdash_1 c \rangle$ .  
Hence, the substitution and subject  $\beta$ -reduction lemmas fail for  $\vdash_1$ .

**Proof:**

1..3 are easy. For 4, assume  $(y^0 z^0)(y^0 z^0) : \langle y^0 : b \rightarrow ((a \rightarrow c) \sqcap a), z^0 : b \vdash_1 c \rangle$ . By lemma 5.1.3 twice using lemmas 4.1 and 5.1.1:

- $y^0 z^0 : \langle y^0 : b \rightarrow ((a \rightarrow c) \sqcap a), z^0 : b \vdash_1 \sqcap_{i=1}^n (T_i \rightarrow c) \rangle$ .
- $y^0 : \langle y^0 : b \rightarrow ((a \rightarrow c) \sqcap a) \vdash_1 b \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c) \sqcap a \rangle$ .
- $z^0 : \langle z^0 : b \vdash_1 b \rangle$ .
- $\sqcap_{i=1}^n (T_i \rightarrow c) = (a \rightarrow c) \sqcap a$ .

Hence  $a = T_i \rightarrow c$  for some  $T_i$ . Absurd. □

Nevertheless, we show that SR and subject expansion for  $\beta$  using  $\vdash_2$  holds. This will be used in the proof of completeness (more specifically in lemma 7.2 which is basic for the completeness theorem 7.1).

**Lemma 5.7. (Subject reduction and expansion for  $\beta$  and  $\vdash_2$ )**

1. If  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_2 U \rangle$  and  $M \triangleright_{\beta}^* N$ , then  $N : \langle \Gamma \vdash_2 U \rangle$ .
2. If  $N : \langle \Gamma \vdash_2 U \rangle$  and  $M \triangleright_{\beta}^* N$  then  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_2 U \rangle$ .

Since  $\vdash_3$  does not allow weakening, we need the next definition since when a term is reduced, it may lose some of its free variables and hence will need to be typed in a smaller environment.

**Definition 5.1.** If  $\Gamma$  is a type environment and  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \text{dom}(\Gamma)$ , then we write  $\Gamma \upharpoonright_{\mathcal{U}}$  for the restriction of  $\Gamma$  on the variables of  $\mathcal{U}$ . If  $\mathcal{U} = \text{FV}(M)$  for a term  $M$ , we write  $\Gamma \upharpoonright_M$  instead of  $\Gamma \upharpoonright_{\text{FV}(M)}$ .

Now we are ready to prove the main result of this section:

**Theorem 5.1. (Subject reduction for  $\vdash_3$ )**

If  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle$  and  $M \triangleright_{\beta\eta}^* N$ , then  $N : \langle \Gamma \upharpoonright_N \vdash_3 U \rangle$ .

**Proof:**

By induction on the derivation  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle$ . □

**Corollary 5.1.** 1. If  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle$  and  $M \triangleright_{\beta}^* N$ , then  $N : \langle \Gamma \upharpoonright_N \vdash_3 U \rangle$ .

2. If  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle$  and  $M \triangleright_h^* N$ , then  $N : \langle \Gamma \upharpoonright_N \vdash_3 U \rangle$ .

The next lemma is needed for expansion.

**Lemma 5.8.** If  $M[x^L := N] : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle$ ,  $d(N) = L$  and  $x^L \in \text{FV}(M)$  then there exist a type  $V$  and two type environments  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  such that  $d(V) = L$  and:

$$M : \langle \Gamma_1, x^L : V \vdash_3 U \rangle \quad N : \langle \Gamma_2 \vdash_3 V \rangle \quad \Gamma = \Gamma_1 \sqcap \Gamma_2$$

**Proof:**

By induction on the derivation  $M[x^L := N] : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle$ . □

Since more free variables might appear in the  $\beta$ -expansion of a term, the next definition gives a possible enlargement of an environment.

**Definition 5.2.** Let  $m \geq n$ ,  $\Gamma = (x_i^{L_i} : U_i)_n$  and  $\mathcal{U} = \{x_1^{L_1}, \dots, x_m^{L_m}\}$ . We write  $\Gamma \uparrow^{\mathcal{U}}$  for  $x_1^{L_1} : U_1, \dots, x_n^{L_n} : U_n, x_{n+1}^{L_{n+1}} : \omega^{L_{n+1}}, \dots, x_m^{L_m} : \omega^{L_m}$ . If  $\text{dom}(\Gamma) \subseteq \text{FV}(M)$ , we write  $\Gamma \uparrow^M$  instead of  $\Gamma \uparrow^{\text{FV}(M)}$ .

We are now ready to establish that subject expansion holds for  $\beta$  (next theorem) and that it fails for  $\eta$  (Lemma 5.9).

**Theorem 5.2. (Subject expansion for  $\beta$ )**

If  $N : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle$  and  $M \triangleright_{\beta}^* N$ , then  $M : \langle \Gamma \uparrow^M \vdash_3 U \rangle$ .

**Proof:**

By induction on the length of the derivation  $M \triangleright_{\beta}^* N$  using the fact that if  $\text{FV}(P) \subseteq \text{FV}(Q)$ , then  $(\Gamma \uparrow^P) \uparrow^Q = \Gamma \uparrow^Q$ . □

**Corollary 5.2.** If  $N : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle$  and  $M \triangleright_h^* N$ , then  $M : \langle \Gamma \uparrow^M \vdash_3 U \rangle$ .

**Lemma 5.9. (Subject expansion fails for  $\eta$ )**

Let  $a$  be an element of  $\mathcal{A}$ . We have:

1.  $\lambda y^{\circ} . \lambda x^{\circ} . y^{\circ} x^{\circ} \triangleright_{\eta} \lambda y^{\circ} . y^{\circ}$
2.  $\lambda y^{\circ} . y^{\circ} : \langle () \vdash_3 a \rightarrow a \rangle$ .
3. It is not possible that:  $\lambda y^{\circ} . \lambda x^{\circ} . y^{\circ} x^{\circ} : \langle () \vdash_3 a \rightarrow a \rangle$ .

Hence, the subject  $\eta$ -expansion lemmas fail for  $\vdash_3$ .

**Proof:**

1. and 2. are easy. For 3., assume  $\lambda y^{\circ} . \lambda x^{\circ} . y^{\circ} x^{\circ} : \langle () \vdash_3 a \rightarrow a \rangle$ .

By Lemma 5.3.2,  $\lambda x^{\circ} . y^{\circ} x^{\circ} : \langle (y : a) \vdash_3 \rightarrow a \rangle$ . Again, by Lemma 5.3.2,  $a = \omega^{\circ}$  or there exists  $n \geq 1$  such that  $a = \prod_{i=1}^n (U_i \rightarrow T_i)$ , absurd. □

## 6. Realisability

Crucial to a realisability semantics is the notion of a saturated set:

**Definition 6.1. (Saturated sets)**

Let  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  and  $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_i$ .

1. We use  $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X})$  to denote the powerset of  $\mathcal{X}$ , i.e.  $\{\mathcal{Y} \mid \mathcal{Y} \subseteq \mathcal{X}\}$ .
2. We define  $\mathcal{X} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{Y} = \{M \in \mathcal{M}_i \mid \forall N \in \mathcal{X}. M \diamond N \Rightarrow MN \in \mathcal{Y}\}$ .
3. We say that  $\mathcal{X} \wr \mathcal{Y}$  iff for all  $M \in \mathcal{X} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{Y}$ , there exist  $N \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $M \diamond N$ .
4. For  $r \in \{\beta, \beta\eta, h\}$ , we say that  $\mathcal{X}$  is  $r$ -saturated if whenever  $M \triangleright_r^* N$  and  $N \in \mathcal{X}$ , then  $M \in \mathcal{X}$ .

Saturation is closed under intersection, lifting and arrows:

**Lemma 6.1.** 1. If  $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}$  are  $r$ -saturated sets, then  $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{Y}$  is  $r$ -saturated.

2. If  $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_3$  is  $r$ -saturated, then  $\mathcal{X}^{+i}$  is  $r$ -saturated.
3. If  $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_2$  is  $r$ -saturated, then  $\mathcal{X}^+$  is  $r$ -saturated.
4. Let  $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_2$  (resp.  $\mathcal{M}_3$ ). If  $\mathcal{Y}$  is  $r$ -saturated, then, for every set  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $\mathcal{X} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{Y}$  is  $r$ -saturated.
5. If  $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_2$  then  $(\mathcal{X} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{Y})^+ \subseteq \mathcal{X}^+ \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{Y}^+$ .
6. If  $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_3$  then  $(\mathcal{X} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{Y})^{+i} \subseteq \mathcal{X}^{+i} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{Y}^{+i}$ .
7. Let  $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_2$ . If  $\mathcal{X}^+ \wr \mathcal{Y}^+$ , then  $\mathcal{X}^+ \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{Y}^+ \subseteq (\mathcal{X} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{Y})^+$ .
8. Let  $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_3$ . If  $\mathcal{X}^{+i} \wr \mathcal{Y}^{+i}$ , then  $\mathcal{X}^{+i} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{Y}^{+i} \subseteq (\mathcal{X} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{Y})^{+i}$ .
9. For every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the set  $\mathbb{M}^n$  is saturated.

The interpretations and meanings of types are crucial to a realisability semantics:

**Definition 6.2. (Interpretations and meaning of types)**

Let  $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{V}_1 \cup \mathcal{V}_2$  where  $\mathcal{V}_1 \cap \mathcal{V}_2 = \emptyset$  and  $\mathcal{V}_1, \mathcal{V}_2$  are both countably infinite. Let  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ .

1. Let  $x \in \mathcal{V}_1$  and  $I$  an index. We define  $\mathcal{N}_x^I = \{x^I N_1 \dots N_k \in \mathcal{M}_i \mid k \geq 0\}$ .
2. In  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ , let  $r = \beta$  and  $I_0 = 0$ . In  $\lambda^{\mathcal{L}^{\mathbb{N}}}$ , let  $r \in \{\beta, \beta\eta, h\}$  and  $I_0 = \emptyset$ .
  - (a) An  $r_i$ -interpretation  $\mathcal{I} : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{M}_i^{I_0})$  is a function such that for all  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ :
    - $\mathcal{I}(a)$  is  $r$ -saturated
    - In  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ ,  $\mathcal{I}(a) \subseteq \mathbb{M}^0$
    - $\forall x \in \mathcal{V}_1, \mathcal{N}_x^{I_0} \subseteq \mathcal{I}(a)$ .
  - (b) Let an  $r_i$ -interpretation  $\mathcal{I} : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{M}_i^{I_0})$ . We extend  $\mathcal{I}$  (to  $\mathbb{U}_1$  in case of  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$  and to  $\mathbb{U}_3$  in case of  $\lambda^{\mathcal{L}^{\mathbb{N}}}$ ) as follows:
    - $\mathcal{I}(U_1 \sqcap U_2) = \mathcal{I}(U_1) \cap \mathcal{I}(U_2)$
    - $\mathcal{I}(U \rightarrow T) = \mathcal{I}(U) \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{I}(T)$
    - In  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ :
      - $\mathcal{I}(eU) = \mathcal{I}(U)^+$
    - In  $\lambda^{\mathcal{L}^{\mathbb{N}}}$ :
      - $\mathcal{I}(\omega^L) = \mathcal{M}_3^L$
      - $\mathcal{I}(\bar{e}_i U) = \mathcal{I}(U)^{+i}$

Because  $\cap$  is commutative, associative, idempotent,  $(\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{Y})^+ = \mathcal{X}^+ \cap \mathcal{Y}^+$  and  $(\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{Y})^{+i} = \mathcal{X}^{+i} \cap \mathcal{Y}^{+i}$ ,  $\mathcal{I}$  is well defined.

Let  $r_i\text{-int} = \{\mathcal{I} \mid \mathcal{I} \text{ is an } r_i\text{-interpretation}\}$ .

- (c) Let  $U \in \mathbb{U}_i$ . Let  $r \in \{\beta, \beta\eta, h\}$ . Define  $[U]_{r_i}$ , the  $r_i$ -interpretation of  $U$  by:
 
$$[U]_{r_i} = \{M \in \mathcal{M}_i \mid M \text{ is closed and } M \in \bigcap_{\mathcal{I} \in r_i\text{-int}} \mathcal{I}(U)\}$$

It is easy to show that in  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ , if  $x^n N_1 \dots N_k \in \mathcal{N}_x^n$  then  $\forall 1 \leq i \leq k, d(N_i) \geq n$ . Hence, in  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ , we have  $\mathcal{N}_x^n = \{x^n N_1 \dots N_k \in \mathbb{M} \mid k \geq 0\}$ .

Type interpretations are saturated and interpretations of good types contain only good terms.

**Lemma 6.2.** Let  $r \in \{\beta, \beta\eta, h\}$ . Let  $i \in \{2, 3\}$ .

1. (a) For any  $U \in \mathbb{U}_i$  and  $\mathcal{I} \in r_i\text{-int}$ , we have  $\mathcal{I}(U)$  is  $r$ -saturated.  
 (b) If  $d(U) = L$  and  $\mathcal{I} \in r_3\text{-int}$ , then for all  $x \in \mathcal{V}_1, \mathcal{N}_x^L \subseteq \mathcal{I}(U) \subseteq \mathcal{M}_3^L$ .  
 (c) If  $U$  is a good type such that  $d(U) = n$  and  $\mathcal{I}$  is an  $r_2$ -interpretation, then  $\forall x \in \mathcal{V}_1, x^n \in \mathcal{N}_x^n \subseteq \mathcal{I}(U) \subseteq \mathbb{M}^n$ .
2. Let  $r \in \{\beta, \beta\eta, h\}$ . If  $\mathcal{I} \in r_i\text{-int}$  and  $U \sqsubseteq V$ , then  $\mathcal{I}(U) \subseteq \mathcal{I}(V)$ .

**Proof:**

1a. By induction on  $U$  using lemma 6.1.

1b. We prove  $\forall x \in \mathcal{V}_1, \mathcal{N}_x^L \subseteq \mathcal{I}(U) \subseteq \mathcal{M}_3^L$  by induction on  $U$ .

1c. Obviously,  $x^n \in \mathcal{N}_x^n$ . We prove  $\mathcal{N}_x^n \subseteq \mathcal{I}(U) \subseteq \mathbb{M}^n$  by induction on  $U$  good.

2. By induction of the derivation  $U \sqsubseteq V$ . □

**Corollary 6.1. (Meanings of good types consist of good terms)**

On  $\mathbb{U}_1$  (hence also on  $\mathbb{U}_2$ ) we have: If  $U$  is a good type such that  $d(U) = n$  then  $[U]_{\beta_2} \subseteq \mathbb{M}^n$ .

**Proof:**

Simply note that by lemma 6.2, for any interpretation  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{I}(U) \subseteq \mathbb{M}^n$ . □

**Lemma 6.3. (Soundness of  $\vdash_1/\vdash_2/\vdash_3$ )**

Let  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}, r \in \{\beta, \beta\eta, h\}, \mathcal{I} \in r_i\text{-int}$ . Let  $M : \langle (x_j^I : U_j)_n \vdash_i U \rangle$  and  $\forall 1 \leq j \leq n, N_j \in \mathcal{I}(U_j)$ . If  $\diamond\{M, N_1, N_2, \dots, N_n\}$ , then  $M[(x_j^I := N_j)_n] \in \mathcal{I}(U)$ .

**Proof:**

By induction on the derivation  $M : \langle (x_j^I : U_j)_n \vdash_i U \rangle$ . □

**Corollary 6.2.** Let  $r \in \{\beta, \beta\eta, h\}$  and  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . If  $M : \langle () \vdash_i U \rangle$ , then  $M \in [U]_{r_i}$ .

**Proof:**

By Lemma 6.3,  $M \in \mathcal{I}(U)$  for any  $r_i$ -interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$ . By Lemma 4.2,  $\text{FV}(M) = \text{dom}(\langle () \rangle) = \emptyset$  and hence  $M$  is closed. Therefore,  $M \in [U]_{r_i}$ . □

**Lemma 6.4. (The meaning of types is closed under type operations)**

Let  $r \in \{\beta, \beta\eta, h\}$  and  $j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . The following hold:

1.  $[\bar{e}_i U]_{r_3} = [U]_{r_3}^{+i}$  and if  $k \in \{1, 2\}$  then  $[eU]_{r_k} = [U]_{r_k}^+$
2.  $[U \sqcap V]_{r_j} = [U]_{r_j} \cap [V]_{r_j}$
3. If  $U \rightarrow T \in \mathbb{U}_3$  then for any interpretation  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{I}(U) \wr \mathcal{I}(T)$ .

4. If  $U \rightarrow T$  is good then for any interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$ ,  $\mathcal{I}(U) \wr \mathcal{I}(T)$ .
5. On  $\mathbb{U}_1$  only (since  $eU \rightarrow eT \notin \mathbb{U}_2$ ), we have:  
If  $U \rightarrow T$  is good, then  $[e(U \rightarrow T)]_{\beta_2} = [eU \rightarrow eT]_{\beta_2}$ .

**Proof:**

1. and 2. are easy.

3. Let  $d(U) = L$ ,  $M \in \mathcal{I}(U) \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{I}(T)$  and  $x \in \mathcal{V}_1$  such that for all  $K$ ,  $x^K \notin \text{FV}(M)$ , hence  $M \diamond x^L$  and by lemma 6.2,  $x^L \in \mathcal{I}(U)$ .
4. Let  $d(U) = n$  and  $M \in \mathcal{I}(U) \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{I}(T)$ . Take  $x \in \mathcal{V}_1$  such that  $\forall p \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $x^p \notin \text{FV}(M)$ . Hence,  $M \diamond x^n$ . By lemma 3.1,  $U$  is good and by lemma 6.2,  $x^n \in \mathcal{I}(U)$ .
5. Since  $U \rightarrow T$  is good, then, by lemma 3.1,  $U, T$  are good and  $d(U) \geq d(T)$ . Again by lemma 3.1,  $eU, eT$  are good,  $d(eU) \geq d(eT)$  and  $eU \rightarrow eT$  is good. Hence by 3. above,  $\mathcal{I}(U)^+ \wr \mathcal{I}(T)^+$ . Thus, by lemma 6.1.5, for any interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$  we have  $\mathcal{I}(e(U \rightarrow T)) = \mathcal{I}(eU \rightarrow eT)$ . □

The next definition and lemma put the realisability semantics in use.

**Definition 6.3. (Examples)**

Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}$  where  $a \neq b$ . We define:

- $Id_0 = a \rightarrow a$ ,  $Id_1 = e_1(a \rightarrow a)$  and  $Id'_1 = e_1 a \rightarrow e_1 a$ .
- $D = (a \sqcap (a \rightarrow b)) \rightarrow b$ .
- $Nat_0 = (a \rightarrow a) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow a)$ ,  $Nat_1 = e_1((a \rightarrow a) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow a))$ ,  
and  $Nat'_0 = (e_1 a \rightarrow a) \rightarrow (e_1 a \rightarrow a)$ .

Moreover, if  $M, N$  are terms and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we define  $(M)^n N$  by induction on  $n$ :  $(M)^0 N = N$  and  $(M)^{m+1} N = M ((M)^m N)$ .

**Lemma 6.5.** 1.  $[(a \sqcap b) \rightarrow a]_{\beta_1} = \{M \in \mathbb{M}^0 \mid M \triangleright_{\beta}^* \lambda y^0 . y^0\}$ .

2. It is not possible that  $\lambda y^0 . y^0 : \langle () \rangle \vdash_1 (a \sqcap b) \rightarrow a$ .
3.  $\lambda y^0 . y^0 : \langle () \rangle \vdash_2 (a \sqcap b) \rightarrow a$ .
4.  $[Id_0]_{\beta_3} = \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^{\circ} \mid M \triangleright_{\beta}^* \lambda y^{\circ} . y^{\circ}\}$ .
5.  $[Id_1]_{\beta_3} = [Id'_1]_{\beta} = \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^{(1)} \mid M \triangleright_{\beta}^* \lambda y^{(1)} . y^{(1)}\}$ . (Note that  $Id'_1 \notin \mathbb{U}_3$ .)
6.  $[D]_{\beta_3} = \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^{\circ} \mid M \triangleright_{\beta}^* \lambda y^{\circ} . y^{\circ} y^{\circ}\}$ .
7.  $[Nat_0]_{\beta_3} = \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^{\circ} \mid M \triangleright_{\beta}^* \lambda f^{\circ} . f^{\circ}$  or  $M \triangleright_{\beta}^* \lambda f^{\circ} . \lambda y^{\circ} . (f^{\circ})^n y^{\circ}$  where  $n \geq 1\}$ .
8.  $[Nat_1]_{\beta_3} = \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^{(1)} \mid M \triangleright_{\beta}^* \lambda f^{(1)} . f^{(1)}$  or  $M \triangleright_{\beta}^* \lambda f^{(1)} . \lambda x^{(1)} . (f^{(1)})^n y^{(1)}$  where  $n \geq 1\}$ .
9.  $[Nat'_0]_{\beta_3} = \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^{\circ} \mid M \triangleright_{\beta}^* \lambda f^{\circ} . f^{\circ}$  or  $M \triangleright_{\beta}^* \lambda f^{\circ} . \lambda y^{(1)} . f^{\circ} y^{(1)}\}$ .

## 7. The challenges of completeness in $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$

In this paper we are concerned with two realisability semantics of E-variables. These semantics are based on a hierarchy of types and terms. Considering how expansions can introduce new substitutions, new expansions and an unbounded number of new variables (even E-variables), it became clear that to give meanings to expansions, we needed to use a hierarchy on types and terms. At first, one thinks of labeling types and terms with a natural number and this is the hierarchy we used in  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ . When assigning meanings to types, we ensured that each use of E-variables simply changes the labels and that each E-variable acted as a kind of capsule that isolates parts of the  $\lambda$ -term being analyzed by the typing. This captured accurately the intuition behind E-variables. However, this indexing poses two problems: it imposes that the type  $\omega$  should have all possible indexes (which is impossible and hence we eliminated  $\omega$  from the type systems for  $\mathcal{M}_2$ ) and it implies that the realisability semantics can only be complete when a unique E-variable is used (as we will see in this section). In order to understand the challenges of the semantics of E-variables with  $\omega$  and to understand the idea behind the hierarchy, we first studied the  $\lambda I$ -calculus typed with two representative intersection type systems. The restriction to  $\lambda I$  (where in every  $(\lambda x.M)$  the variable  $x$  must appear free in  $M$ ) was motivated by not knowing how to support the  $\omega$  type while preserving the intuitive levels made of single natural numbers. For  $\vdash_1$ , the first of these type systems (the most natural), we showed that subject reduction and hence completeness do not hold.

### Remark 7.1. (Failure of completeness for $\vdash_1$ )

Items 1, 2 and 3 of Lemma 6.5 show that we can not have a completeness result (a converse of lemma 6.3 for closed terms) for  $\vdash_1$ . To type the term  $\lambda y^0.y^0$  by the type  $(a \sqcap b) \rightarrow a$ , we need an elimination rule for  $\sqcap$  which we do not have in  $\vdash_1$ .

Note that failure of completeness for  $\vdash_1$  is related to the failure of its subject reduction. So, one might think that since  $\vdash_2$ , the second type system for  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ , has subject reduction, its semantics is complete. This is not the case.

### Remark 7.2. (Failure of completeness of $\vdash_2$ if more than one E-variable is used)

Let  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $e_1, e_2 \in \mathcal{E}$ ,  $e_1 \neq e_2$  and  $Nat''_0 = (e_1 a \rightarrow a) \rightarrow (e_2 a \rightarrow a)$ . Then:

1)  $\lambda f^0.f^0 \in [Nat''_0]$  and 2) It is not possible that  $\lambda f^0.f^0 : \langle () \vdash_2 Nat''_0 \rangle$ .

Hence  $\lambda f^0.f^0 \in [Nat''_0]$  but  $\lambda f^0.f^0$  is not typable by  $Nat''_0$  and we do not have completeness in the presence of more than one expansion variable.

However, we will see that we have completeness for  $\vdash_2$  if only one expansion variable is used.

### 7.1. Completeness of $\vdash_2$ with one expansion variable

The problem shown in remark 7.2 comes from the fact that for the realisability semantics that we considered for  $\vdash_2$ , we identify all expansion variables. In order to give a completeness theorem for  $\vdash_2$ , we will in what follows restrict our system to only one expansion variable. In the rest of this section, we assume that the set  $\mathcal{E}$  contains only one expansion variable  $\bar{e}_1$ .

The need of one single expansion variable is clear in part 2) of lemma 7.1 which would fail if we use more than one expansion variable. For example, if  $e_1 \neq e_2$  then  $(e_1 a)^- = a = (e_2 a)^-$  but  $e_1 a \neq e_2 a$ . This lemma is crucial for the rest of this section and hence, a single expansion variable is also crucial.

**Lemma 7.1.** Let  $U, V \in \mathbb{U}_2$  and  $d(U) = d(V) > 0$ . 1)  $\bar{e}_1 U^- = U$  and 2) If  $U^- = V^-$ , then  $U = V$ .

Despite the difference of the number of expansion variables used in this completeness proof and that of the next section, there are a number of similarities of both proofs. We still write these two proofs independently to illustrate the method and especially since the proof for this section is far simpler. Furthermore, we only show the semantics in this section for  $\beta$ -reduction (although the semantics works for all our notions of reductions as we show in the next section).

The first step of the proof is to divide  $\{y^n \mid y \in \mathcal{V}_2\}$  disjointly amongst types of order  $n$ .

**Definition 7.1.** Let  $U \in \mathbb{U}_2$ . We define the set of variables  $\mathbb{V}_U$  by induction on  $d(U)$ . If  $d(U) = 0$ , then:  $\mathbb{V}_U$  is an infinite set of variables of degree 0; if  $y^0 \in \mathbb{V}_U$ , then  $y \in \mathcal{V}_2$ ; and if  $U \neq V$  and  $d(U) = d(V) = 0$ , then  $\mathbb{V}_U \cap \mathbb{V}_V = \emptyset$ . If  $d(U) = n + 1$ , then we put  $\mathbb{V}_U = \{y^{n+1} \mid y^n \in \mathbb{V}_{U^-}\}$ .

Our partition of  $\mathcal{V}_2$  allows useful infinite sets which contain type environments that will play a crucial role in one particular type interpretation. These sets and environments are given in the next definition.

**Definition 7.2.** 1. Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We let  $\mathbb{G}^n = \{(y^n : U) \mid U \in \mathbb{U}_2, d(U) = n \text{ and } y^n \in \mathbb{V}_U\}$  and  $\mathbb{H}^n = \bigcup_{m \geq n} \mathbb{G}^m$ . Note that  $\mathbb{G}^n$  and  $\mathbb{H}^n$  are not type environments because they are infinite sets.

2. Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $M \in \mathcal{M}_2$  and  $U \in \mathbb{U}_2$ , we write  $M : \langle \mathbb{H}^n \vdash_2 U \rangle$  iff there is a type environment  $\Gamma \subset \mathbb{H}^n$  where  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_2 U \rangle$

Now, for every  $n$ , we define the set of the good terms of order  $n$  which contain some free variable  $x^i$  where  $x \in \mathcal{V}_1$  and  $i \geq n$ .

**Definition 7.3.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathcal{O}^n = \{M \in \mathbb{M}^n \mid x^i \in \text{FV}(M) \text{ where } x \in \mathcal{V}_1 \text{ and } i \geq n\}$ . Obviously, if  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $x \in \mathcal{V}_1$ , then  $\mathcal{N}_x^n \subseteq \mathcal{O}^n$ .

Here is the crucial  $\beta_2$ -interpretation  $\mathbb{I}$  for the proof of completeness:

**Definition 7.4.** Let  $\mathbb{I}$  be the  $\beta_2$ -interpretation defined by:

for all type variables  $a$ ,  $\mathbb{I}(a) = \mathcal{O}^0 \cup \{M \in \mathcal{M}_2^0 \mid M : \langle \mathbb{H}^0 \vdash_2 a \rangle\}$ .

$\mathbb{I}$  is indeed a  $\beta_2$ -interpretation and the interpretation of a type of order  $n$  contains the good terms of order  $n$  which are typable in the special environments which are parts of the infinite sets of definition 7.2:

**Lemma 7.2.** 1.  $\mathbb{I}$  is a  $\beta_2$ -interpretation. I.e.,  $\forall a \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\mathbb{I}(a)$  is  $\beta$ -saturated and  $\forall x \in \mathcal{V}_1$ ,  $\mathcal{N}_x^0 \subseteq \mathbb{I}(a) \subseteq \mathbb{M}^0$ .

2. If  $U \in \mathbb{U}_2$  is good and  $d(U) = n$ , then  $\mathbb{I}(U) = \mathcal{O}^n \cup \{M \in \mathbb{M}^n \mid M : \langle \mathbb{H}^n \vdash_2 U \rangle\}$ .

$\mathbb{I}$  is used to prove completeness (the proof is on the authors web pages).

### Theorem 7.1. (Completeness)

Let  $U \in \mathbb{U}_2$  be good such that  $d(U) = n$ . The following hold:

1.  $[U]_{\beta_2} = \{M \in \mathbb{M}^n \mid M : \langle () \vdash_2 U \rangle\}$ .
2.  $[U]_{\beta_2}$  is stable by reduction: i.e., if  $M \in [U]_{\beta_2}$  and  $M \triangleright_{\beta}^* N$ , then  $N \in [U]_{\beta_2}$ .
3.  $[U]_{\beta_2}$  is stable by expansion: i.e., if  $N \in [U]_{\beta_2}$  and  $M \triangleright_{\beta}^* N$ , then  $M \in [U]_{\beta_2}$ .



## 8. Completeness in $\lambda^{\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}}$

Having understood the challenges of E-variables and the difficulty of representing the type  $\omega$  using natural numbers as indices for the hierarchy, we moved to the presentation of indices as sequences of natural numbers and we provided our third type system  $\vdash_3$ . We developed a realizability semantics where we allow the full  $\lambda$ -calculus, an arbitrary (possibly infinite) number of expansion variables and where  $\omega$  is present, and we showed its soundness. Now, we show its completeness.

We need the following partition of the set of variables  $\{y^L \mid y \in \mathcal{V}_2\}$ .

**Definition 8.1.** 1. Let  $L \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}$ . We define  $\mathbb{U}_3^L = \{U \in \mathbb{U}_3 \mid d(U) = L\}$  and  $\mathcal{V}^L = \{x^L \mid x \in \mathcal{V}_2\}$ .

2. Let  $U \in \mathbb{U}_3$ . We inductively define a set of variables  $\mathbb{V}_U$  as follows:

- If  $d(U) = \emptyset$  then:
  - $\mathbb{V}_U$  is an infinite set of variables of degree  $\emptyset$ .
  - If  $U \neq V$  and  $d(U) = d(V) = \emptyset$ , then  $\mathbb{V}_U \cap \mathbb{V}_V = \emptyset$ .
  - $\bigcup_{U \in \mathbb{U}_3^\emptyset} \mathbb{V}_U = \mathcal{V}^\emptyset$ .
- If  $d(U) = L$ , then we put  $\mathbb{V}_U = \{y^L \mid y^\emptyset \in \mathbb{V}_{U-L}\}$ .

**Lemma 8.1.** 1. If  $d(U), d(V) \succeq L$  and  $U^{-L} = V^{-L}$ , then  $U = V$ .

2. If  $d(U) = L$ , then  $\mathbb{V}_U$  is an infinite subset of  $\mathcal{V}^L$ .

3. If  $U \neq V$  and  $d(U) = d(V) = L$ , then  $\mathbb{V}_U \cap \mathbb{V}_V = \emptyset$ .

4.  $\bigcup_{U \in \mathbb{U}_3^L} \mathbb{V}_U = \mathcal{V}^L$ .

5. If  $y^L \in \mathbb{V}_U$ , then  $y^{i::L} \in \mathbb{V}_{\bar{e}_i U}$ .

6. If  $y^{i::L} \in \mathbb{V}_U$ , then  $y^L \in \mathbb{V}_{U-i}$ .

**Proof:**

1. If  $L = (n_i)_m$ , we have  $U = \bar{e}_{n_1} \dots \bar{e}_{n_m} U'$  and  $V = \bar{e}_{n_1} \dots \bar{e}_{n_m} V'$ . Then  $U^{-L} = U'$ ,  $V^{-L} = V'$  and  $U' = V'$ . Thus  $U = V$ .

2., 3. and 4. By induction on  $L$  and using 1.

5. Because  $(\bar{e}_i U)^{-i} = U$ .

6. By definition. □

Our partition of the set  $\mathcal{V}_2$  as above will enable us to give in the next definition useful infinite sets which will contain type environments that will play a crucial role in one particular type interpretation.

**Definition 8.2.** 1. Let  $L \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}$ . We denote  $\mathbb{G}^L = \{(y^L : U) \mid U \in \mathbb{U}_3^L \text{ and } y^L \in \mathbb{V}_U\}$  and  $\mathbb{H}^L = \bigcup_{K \succeq L} \mathbb{G}^K$ . Note that  $\mathbb{G}^L$  and  $\mathbb{H}^L$  are not type environments because they are infinite sets.

2. Let  $L \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}$ ,  $M \in \mathcal{M}_3$  and  $U \in \mathbb{U}_3$ , we write:

- $M : \langle \mathbb{H}^L \vdash_3 U \rangle$  if there is a type environment  $\Gamma \subset \mathbb{H}^L$  where  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle$

- $M : \langle \mathbb{H}^L \vdash_3^* U \rangle$  if  $M \triangleright_{\beta\eta}^* N$  and  $N : \langle \mathbb{H}^L \vdash_3 U \rangle$

**Lemma 8.2.** 1. If  $\Gamma \subset \mathbb{H}^L$  then  $\text{OK}(\Gamma)$ .

2. If  $\Gamma \subset \mathbb{H}^L$  then  $\bar{e}_i \Gamma \subset \mathbb{H}^{i::L}$ .
3. If  $\Gamma \subset \mathbb{H}^{i::L}$  then  $\Gamma^{-i} \subset \mathbb{H}^L$ .
4. If  $\Gamma_1 \subset \mathbb{H}^L, \Gamma_2 \subset \mathbb{H}^K$  and  $L \preceq K$  then  $\Gamma_1 \sqcap \Gamma_2 \subset \mathbb{H}^L$ .

**Proof:**

1. Let  $x^K : U \in \Gamma$  then  $U \in \mathbb{U}^K$  and so  $d(U) = K$ . 2. and 3. are by lemma 8.1. 4. First note that by 1.,  $\Gamma_1 \sqcap \Gamma_2$  is well defined.  $\mathbb{H}^K \subseteq \mathbb{H}^L$ . Let  $(x^R : U_1 \sqcap U_2) \in \Gamma_1 \sqcap \Gamma_2$  where  $(x^R : U_1) \in \Gamma_1 \subset \mathbb{H}^L$  and  $(x^R : U_2) \in \Gamma_2 \subset \mathbb{H}^K \subseteq \mathbb{H}^L$ , then  $d(U_1) = d(U_2) = R$  and  $x^R \in \mathbb{V}_{U_1} \cap \mathbb{V}_{U_2}$ . Hence, by lemma 8.1,  $U_1 = U_2$  and  $\Gamma_1 \sqcap \Gamma_2 = \Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \subset \mathbb{H}^L$ .  $\square$

For every  $L \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}$ , we define the set of terms of degree  $L$  which contain some free variable  $x^K$  where  $x \in \mathcal{V}_1$  and  $K \succeq L$ .

**Definition 8.3.** For every  $L \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}$ , let  $\mathcal{O}^L = \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^L \mid x^K \in \text{FV}(M), x \in \mathcal{V}_1 \text{ and } K \succeq L\}$ . It is easy to see that, for every  $L \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N}}$  and  $x \in \mathcal{V}_1, \mathcal{N}_x^L \subseteq \mathcal{O}^L$ .

**Lemma 8.3.** 1.  $(\mathcal{O}^L)^{+i} = \mathcal{O}^{i::L}$ .

2. If  $y \in \mathcal{V}_2$  and  $(My^K) \in \mathcal{O}^L$ , then  $M \in \mathcal{O}^L$
3. If  $M \in \mathcal{O}^L, M \diamond N$  and  $L \preceq K = d(N)$ , then  $MN \in \mathcal{O}^L$ .
4. If  $d(M) = L, L \preceq K, M \diamond N$  and  $N \in \mathcal{O}^K$ , then  $MN \in \mathcal{O}^L$ .

The crucial interpretation  $\mathbb{I}$  for the proof of completeness is given as follows:

**Definition 8.4.** 1. Let  $\mathbb{I}_{\beta\eta}$  be the  $\beta\eta$ -interpretation defined by: for all type variables  $a$ ,  $\mathbb{I}_{\beta\eta}(a) = \mathcal{O}^\circ \cup \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^\circ \mid M : \langle \mathbb{H}^\circ \vdash_3^* a \rangle\}$ .

2. Let  $\mathbb{I}_\beta$  be the  $\beta$ -interpretation defined by: for all type variables  $a$ ,  $\mathbb{I}_\beta(a) = \mathcal{O}^\circ \cup \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^\circ \mid M : \langle \mathbb{H}^\circ \vdash_3 a \rangle\}$ .

3. Let  $\mathbb{I}_{eh}$  be the  $h$ -interpretation defined by: for all type variables  $a$ ,  $\mathbb{I}_h(a) = \mathcal{O}^\circ \cup \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^\circ \mid M : \langle \mathbb{H}^\circ \vdash_3 a \rangle\}$ .

The next crucial lemma shows that  $\mathbb{I}$  is an interpretation and that the interpretation of a type of order  $L$  contains terms of order  $L$  which are typable in these special environments which are parts of the infinite sets of Definition 8.2.

**Lemma 8.4.** Let  $r \in \{\beta\eta, \beta, h\}$  and  $r' \in \{\beta, h\}$

1. If  $\mathbb{I}_r \in r\text{-int}$  and  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  then  $\mathbb{I}_r(a)$  is  $r$ -saturated and for all  $x \in \mathcal{V}_1, \mathcal{N}_x^\circ \subseteq \mathbb{I}_r(a)$ .

2. If  $U \in \mathbb{U}_3$  and  $d(U) = L$ , then  $\mathbb{I}_{\beta\eta}(U) = \mathcal{O}^L \cup \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^L \mid M : \langle \mathbb{H}^L \vdash_3^* U \rangle\}$ .
3. If  $U \in \mathbb{U}_3$  and  $d(U) = L$ , then  $\mathbb{I}_{r'}(U) = \mathcal{O}^L \cup \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^L \mid M : \langle \mathbb{H}^L \vdash_3 U \rangle\}$ .

Now, we use this crucial  $\mathbb{I}$  to establish completeness of our semantics.

**Theorem 8.1. (Completeness of  $\vdash_3$ )**

Let  $U \in \mathbb{U}_3$  such that  $d(U) = L$ .

1.  $[U]_{\beta\eta_3} = \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^L \mid M \text{ closed, } M \triangleright_{\beta\eta}^* N \text{ and } N : \langle () \vdash_3 U \rangle\}$ .
2.  $[U]_{\beta_3} = [U]_{h_3} = \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^L \mid M : \langle () \vdash_3 U \rangle\}$ .
3.  $[U]_{\beta\eta_3}$  is stable by reduction. I.e., If  $M \in [U]_{\beta\eta_3}$  and  $M \triangleright_{\beta\eta}^* N$  then  $N \in [U]_{\beta\eta_3}$ .

**Proof:**

Let  $r \in \{\beta, h, \beta\eta\}$ .

1. Let  $M \in [U]_{\beta\eta_3}$ . Then  $M$  is a closed term and  $M \in \mathbb{I}_{\beta\eta}(U)$ . Hence, by Lemma 8.4,  $M \in \mathcal{O}^L \cup \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^L \mid M : \langle \mathbb{H}^L \vdash_3^* U \rangle\}$ . Since  $M$  is closed,  $M \notin \mathcal{O}^L$ . Hence,  $M \in \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^L \mid M : \langle \mathbb{H}^L \vdash_3^* U \rangle\}$  and so,  $M \triangleright_{\beta\eta}^* N$  and  $N : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle$  where  $\Gamma \subset \mathbb{H}^L$ . By Theorem 2.1,  $N$  is closed and, by Lemma 4.1.3a,  $N : \langle () \vdash_3 U \rangle$ .

Conversely, take  $M$  closed such that  $M \triangleright_{\beta}^* N$  and  $N : \langle () \vdash_3 U \rangle$ . Let  $\mathcal{I} \in \beta$ -int. By Lemma 6.3,  $N \in \mathcal{I}(U)$ . By Lemma 6.2.1,  $\mathcal{I}(U)$  is  $\beta\eta$ -saturated. Hence,  $M \in \mathcal{I}(U)$ . Thus  $M \in [U]_{\beta\eta_3}$ .

2. Let  $M \in [U]_{\beta_3}$ . Then  $M$  is a closed term and  $M \in \mathbb{I}_{\beta}(U)$ . Hence, by Lemma 8.4,  $M \in \mathcal{O}^L \cup \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^L \mid M : \langle \mathbb{H}^L \vdash_3 U \rangle\}$ . Since  $M$  is closed,  $M \notin \mathcal{O}^L$ . Hence,  $M \in \{M \in \mathcal{M}_3^L \mid M : \langle \mathbb{H}^L \vdash_3 U \rangle\}$  and so,  $M : \langle \Gamma \vdash_3 U \rangle$  where  $\Gamma \subset \mathbb{H}^L$ . By Lemma 4.1.3a,  $N : \langle () \vdash_3 U \rangle$ .

Conversely, take  $M$  such that  $M : \langle () \vdash_3 U \rangle$ . By Lemma 4.1.3a,  $M$  is closed. Let  $\mathcal{I} \in \beta$ -int. By Lemma 6.3,  $M \in \mathcal{I}(U)$ . Thus  $M \in [U]_{\beta_3}$ .

It is easy to see that  $[U]_{\beta_3} = [U]_{h_3}$ .

3. Let  $M \in [U]_{\beta\eta_3}$  such that  $M \triangleright_{\beta\eta}^* N$ . By 1,  $M$  is closed,  $M \triangleright_{\beta\eta}^* P$  and  $P : \langle () \vdash_3 U \rangle$ . By confluence Theorem 2.2, there is  $Q$  such that  $P \triangleright_{\beta\eta}^* Q$  and  $N \triangleright_{\beta\eta}^* Q$ . By subject reduction Theorem 5.1,  $Q : \langle () \vdash_3 U \rangle$ . By Theorem 2.1,  $N$  is closed and, by 1,  $N \in [U]_{\beta\eta_3}$ .

□

## 9. Conclusion

Expansion may be viewed to work like a multi-layered simultaneous substitution. Moreover, expansion is a crucial part of a procedure for calculating principal typings and helps support compositional type inference. Because the early definitions of expansion were complicated, expansion variables (E-variables) were introduced to simplify and mechanize expansion. The aim of this paper is to give a complete semantics for intersection type systems with expansion variables.

We studied first the  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ -calculus, an indexed version of the  $\lambda I$ -calculus. This indexed version was typed using first a basic intersection type system with expansion variables but without an intersection

elimination rule, and then using an intersection type system with expansion variables and an elimination rule.

We gave a realisability semantics for both type systems showing that the first type system is not complete in the sense that there are types whose semantic meaning is not the set of  $\lambda I^{\mathbb{N}}$ -terms having this type. In particular, we showed that  $\lambda y^0.y^0$  is in the semantic meaning of  $(a \sqcap b) \rightarrow a$  but it is not possible to give  $\lambda y^0.y^0$  the type  $(a \sqcap b) \rightarrow a$ . The main reason for the failure of completeness in the first system is associated with the failure of the subject reduction property for this first system. Hence, we moved to the second system which we showed to have the desirable properties of subject reduction and expansion and strong normalisation. However, for this second system, we showed again that completeness fails if we use more than one expansion variable but that completeness succeeds if we restrict the system to one single expansion variable.

In order to overcome the problems of completeness, we changed our realisability semantics from one which uses indices as natural number to one that uses the indices as lists of natural numbers. The new semantics is more complex and we lose the elegance of the first (especially in being able to define the so-called good terms and good types). However, we show that this second semantics has all the desirable properties of a type systems and it handles all of the lambda calculus (not simply the  $\lambda I$ -calculus). We also show that this second semantics is complete when any number (including infinite) of expansion variables is used. As far as we know, our work constitutes the first study of a denotational semantics of intersection type systems with E-variables (using realizability or any other approach) and of the difficulties involved.

In this article we are not interested in a denotational semantics or at least we are not interested in an extensional lambda model interpreting the terms of the untyped lambda-calculus. Instead, we are interested in building a realisability semantics by defining sets of realisers (functions/programs satisfying the requirements of some specification) of types. Such a model would help to highlight the relation between typable terms of the untyped lambda-calculus and types w.r.t. a type system. Moreover, interpreting types in a model helps to understand the meaning of a type (w.r.t. the model) which is defined as a purely syntactic form and is clearly used as a meaningful expression (as the integer type, whatever its notation is, which is always used as the type of each integer). An arrow type expresses functionality. In that way, models based on lambda-models have been built for intersection type systems [8]. In these works, intersection types (introduced to be able to type more terms than in the Simply Typed Lambda Calculus) are interpreted by set-theoretical intersection of meanings. Even if expansion variables have been introduced to give a simple formalisation of the expansion mechanism, i.e. as a syntactic object, we are interested in the meaning of such a syntactic object. We are particularly interested in answering a number of questions which include:

1. What does an expansion variable applied to a type stand for?
2. What are the realisers of such a type?
3. How can the relation between terms and types be described w.r.t. a type system?
4. How can we extend models such as the one given in [12] to a type system with expansion?

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