

Component-based semantics for Caml Light

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fundamental constructs
'funcons'

Component-based specifications

Syntax (concrete, abstract)

- ▶ BNF + regular expressions

Semantics (static, dynamic)

- ▶ context-free translation to funcons

Funcons

- ▶ Modular SOS rules
- ▶ modular bisimilarity theory

Caml Light

OCaml (Objective Caml, F#)

- ▶ a popular OO functional language

Caml Light

- ▶ a pedagogical sublanguage of **Caml** ~ Core SML
- ▶ **OCaml Light** defined in SOS using Ott by Scott Owens [ESOP 2009]
- ▶ **Caml Light** defined in Pretty-Big-Step SOS by Arthur Charguéraud using Coq [ESOP 2013]

Funcon specifications

Structural Operational Semantics? Reduction Semantics?

- ▶ non-modular 😞

Modular SOS?

- ▶ modular 😊, but requires *explicit* labels 😞

Implicitly-Modular SOS?

- ▶ modular 😊, and labels are left *implicit* 😊

Preliminary tool support

Editing language specifications :

- ▶ **Spoofax/Eclipse**

Parsing, translation to funcons :

- ▶ **ASF+SDF** (migrating to **Spoofax**)

Funcon interpretation :

- ▶ **Prolog**

Interactive

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