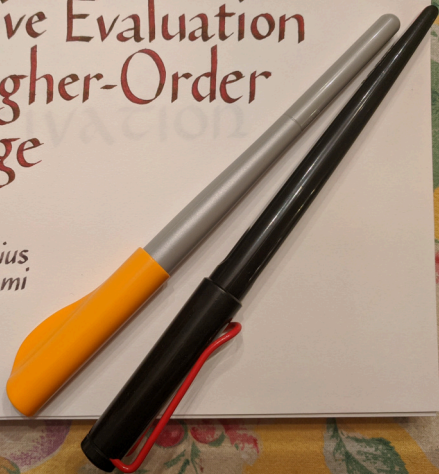


Seminaïve Evaluation for a Higher-Order Language

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The type $\Box A$ is defined:

$$x \in \Box A \iff x \in A$$

$$x \leq y : \Box A \iff x = y$$

Thus $f : \Box A \rightarrow B$ is monotone iff:

$$x = y \implies f(x) \leq f(y)$$

i.e., always!

MATH

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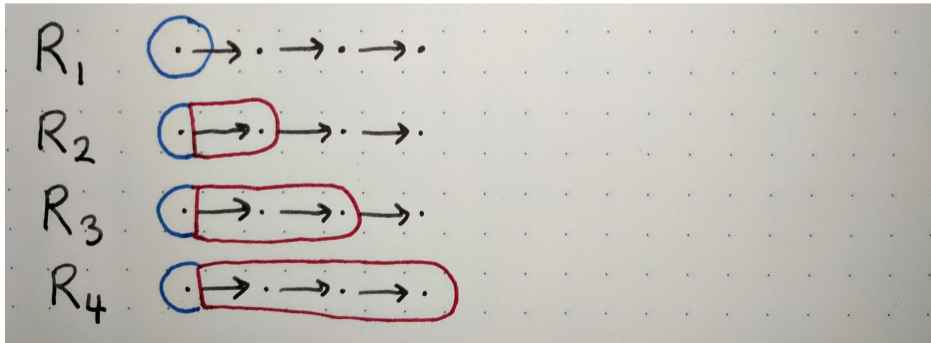
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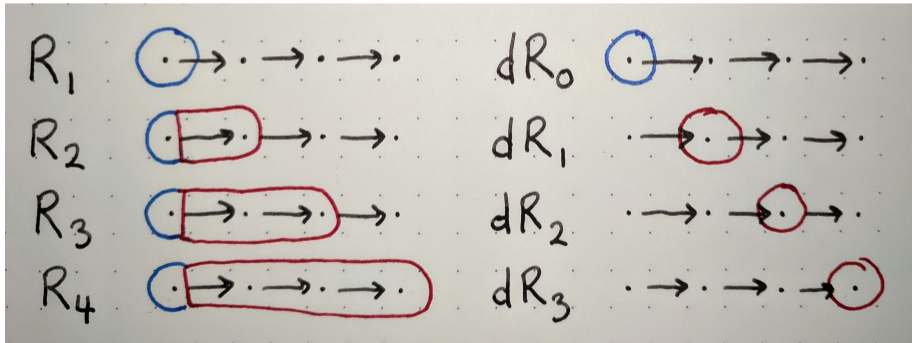
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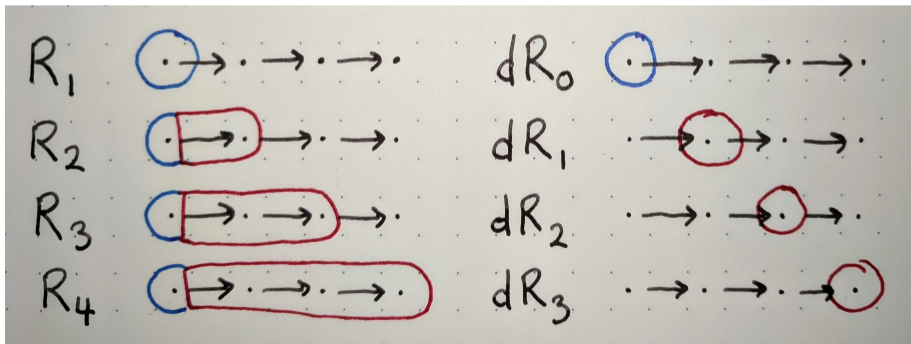
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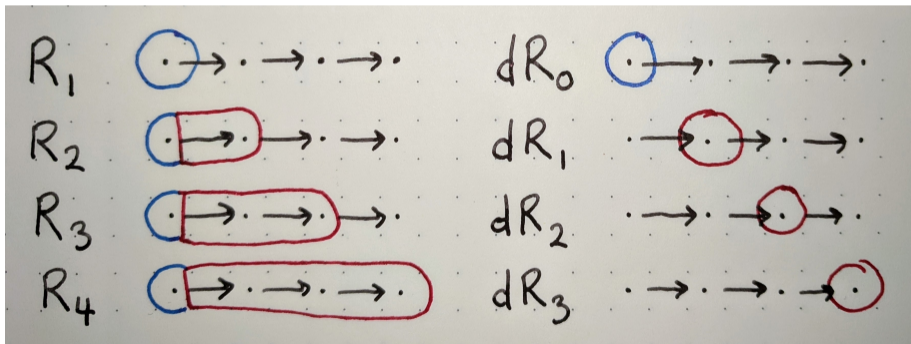
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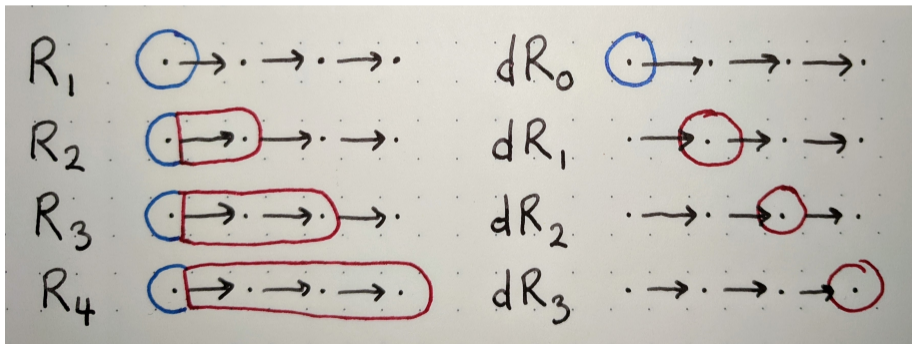
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SEMINAÏVE EVALUATION

means

computing the changes between iterations

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original change change in
input to input output

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In this case, we call df the **derivative** of f .

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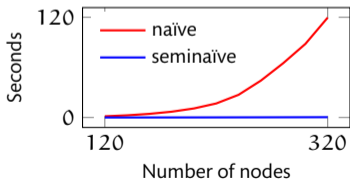
- ▶ ϕe annotates functions used by a fixed point with their derivatives.

COMPLICATION: *We propagate derivatives by hijacking the \square comonad.*

- ▶ δe computes how ϕe changes as its free variables change.

COMPLICATION: *Computing how set comprehensions change.*

- ▶ **Regex combinators!**
as a use-case for higher-order functions.
- ▶ **Logical relations!**
to prove ϕ/δ correct.
- ▶ **Further optimizations!**
Must propagate \emptyset to get asymptotic speedups.
- ▶ **Benchmarks!**



Ideas to take away:

- ▶ Bottom-up monotone fixed points are cool.
- ▶ To compute them efficiently, incrementalize the step function.
- ▶ Types let us control what things we need to incrementalize!

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