

Semantics of Programming Languages



How to Prove it

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Why Semantics?

Without semantics,
we do not really know what our programs mean.

We merely have a good intuition and a warm feeling.

Like the state of mathematics in the 19th century
— before set theory and logic entered the scene.

Intuition is important!

- You need a good intuition to get your work done efficiently.
- To understand the average accounting program, intuition suffices.
- To write a bug-free accounting program may require more than intuition!
- I assume you have the necessary intuition.
- This course is about “beyond intuition”.

Intuition is not sufficient!

Writing **correct** language processors (e.g. compilers, refactoring tools, ...) requires

- a deep understanding of language semantics,
- the ability to *reason* (= perform proofs) about the language and your processor.

Example:

What does the correctness of a type checker even mean?
How is it proved?

Why Semantics??

We have a compiler — that is the ultimate semantics!!

- A compiler gives each individual program a semantics.
- It does not help with reasoning about the PL or individual programs.
- Because compilers are far too complicated.
- They provide the worst possible semantics.
- Moreover: compilers may differ!

The sad facts of life

- Most languages have one or more compilers.
- Most compilers have bugs.
- Few languages have a (separate, abstract) semantics.
- If they do, it will be informal (English).

Bugs

- Google “compiler bug”
- Google “hostile applet”
Early versions of Java had various security holes. Some of them had to do with an incorrect *bytecode verifier*.

GI Dissertationspreis 2003:

Gerwin Klein: *Verified Java Bytecode Verification*

Standard ML (SML)

First real language with a mathematical semantics:

Milner, Tofte, Harper:

The Definition of Standard ML. 1990.



Robin Milner (1934–2010)
Turing Award 1991.

Main achievements: LCF (theorem proving)
SML (functional programming)
CCS, pi (concurrency)

The sad fact of life

SML semantics hardly used:

- too difficult to read to answer simple questions quickly
- too much detail to allow reliable informal proof
- not processable beyond \LaTeX , not even executable

More sad facts of life

- Real programming languages *are* complex.
- Even if designed by academics, not industry.
- Complex designs are error-prone.
- Informal mathematical proofs of complex designs are also error-prone.

The solution

Machine-checked language semantics and proofs

- Semantics at least type-correct
- Maybe executable
- *Proofs machine-checked*

The tool:

Interactive Theorem Prover
(ITP)

Interactive Theorem Provers

- You give the structure of the proof
- The ITP checks the correctness of each step
- Can prove hard and huge theorems

Government health warnings:

Time consuming

Potentially addictive

Undermines your naive trust in informal proofs

Terminology

This lecture course:

Formal = machine-checked

Verification = formal correctness proof

Traditionally:

Formal = mathematical

Two landmark verifications

C compiler
Competitive with gcc -O1



Xavier Leroy
INRIA Paris
using Coq

Operating system
microkernel (L4)



Gerwin Klein (& Co)
NICTA Sydney
using Isabelle

A happy fact of life

Programming language researchers
are increasingly using ITPs

Why verification pays off

Short term: *The software works!*

Long term:

Tracking effects of changes by rerunning proofs

Incremental changes of the software
typically require only incremental changes of the proofs

Long term much more important than short term:

Software Never Dies

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This Course

What this course is *not* about

- Hot or trendy PLs
- Comparison of PLs or PL paradigms
- Compilers (although they will be one application)

What this course *is* about

- Techniques for the description and analysis of
 - PLs
 - PL tools
 - Programs
- Description techniques: *operational semantics*
- Proof techniques: *inductions*

Both informally and formally (ITP!)

Our ITP: Isabelle/HOL

- Developed mainly in Munich (Nipkow & Co) and Paris (Wenzel)
- Started 1986 in Cambridge (Paulson)
- The logic HOL is ordinary mathematics

Learning to use Isabelle/HOL
is an integral part of the course

All exercises require the use of Isabelle/HOL

Why I am so passionate about the ITP part

- It is the future
- It is the only way to deal with complex languages
reliably
- I want students to learn how to write correct proofs
- I have seen too many proofs that look more like
LSD trips than coherent mathematical arguments

Overview of course

- Introduction to Isabelle/HOL
- IMP (assignment and while loops) and its semantics
- A compiler for IMP
- Hoare logic for IMP
- Type systems for IMP
- Program analysis for IMP

The semantics part of the course is mostly traditional

The use of an ITP is leading edge

So far, there are only a handful of universities that combine these two topics as aggressively as we do: Harvard, Princeton, UPenn, Saarbrücken, . . .

What you learn in this course goes far beyond PLs

It has applications in compilers, security,
software engineering etc.

It is a new approach to informatics

Part I

Programming and Proving in HOL

- ② Overview of Isabelle/HOL
- ③ Type and function definitions
- ④ Simplification and Induction

Notation

Implication associates to the right:

$$A \implies B \implies C \quad \text{means} \quad A \implies (B \implies C)$$

$$\frac{A_1 \quad \dots \quad A_n}{B} \quad \text{means} \quad A_1 \implies \dots \implies A_n \implies B$$

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HOL = Higher-Order Logic
HOL = Functional Programming + Logic

HOL has

- datatypes
- recursive functions
- logical operators

HOL is a programming language!

Higher-order = functions are values, too!

HOL Formulas:

- For the moment: only $term = term$,
e.g. $1 + 2 = 4$
- Later: $\wedge, \vee, \longrightarrow, \forall, \dots$

② Overview of Isabelle/HOL

Types and terms

Proof General

By example: types *bool*, *nat* and *list*

Summary

Types

Basic type syntax:

$\tau ::=$	(τ)	
	$bool \mid nat \mid \dots$	base types
	$'a \mid 'b \mid \dots$	type variables
	$\tau \Rightarrow \tau$	functions
	$\tau \times \tau$	pairs (ascii: *)
	$\tau \textit{ list}$	lists
	$\tau \textit{ set}$	sets
	\dots	user-defined types

Convention: $\tau_1 \Rightarrow \tau_2 \Rightarrow \tau_3 \equiv \tau_1 \Rightarrow (\tau_2 \Rightarrow \tau_3)$

Terms

Terms can be formed as follows:

- **Function application:**

$f t$

is the call of function f with argument t .

If f has more arguments: $f t_1 t_2 \dots$

Examples: $\sin \pi$, $\text{plus } x y$

- **Function abstraction:**

$\lambda x. t$

is the function with parameter x and result t ,

i.e. " $x \mapsto t$ ".

Example: $\lambda x. \text{plus } x x$

Basic term syntax:

$t ::=$	(t)	
	a	constant or variable (identifier)
	$t t$	function application
	$\lambda x. t$	function abstraction
	\dots	lots of syntactic sugar

Examples: $f (g x) y$
 $h (\lambda x. f (g x))$

Convention: $f t_1 t_2 t_3 \equiv ((f t_1) t_2) t_3$

This language of terms is known as the λ -calculus.

The computation rule of the λ -calculus is the replacement of formal by actual parameters:

$$(\lambda x. t) u = t[u/x]$$

where $t[u/x]$ is “ t with u substituted for x ”.

Example: $(\lambda x. x + 5) 3 = 3 + 5$

- The step from $(\lambda x. t) u$ to $t[u/x]$ is called β -reduction.
- Isabelle performs β -reduction automatically.

Terms must be well-typed

(the argument of every function call must be of the right type)

Notation:

$t :: \tau$ means “ t is a well-typed term of type τ ”.

$$\frac{t :: \tau_1 \Rightarrow \tau_2 \quad u :: \tau_1}{t u :: \tau_2}$$

Type inference

Isabelle automatically computes the type of each variable in a term. This is called **type inference**.

In the presence of *overloaded* functions (functions with multiple types) this is not always possible.

User can help with **type annotations** inside the term.

Example: $f(x::nat)$

Currying

Thou shalt Curry your functions

- Curried: $f :: \tau_1 \Rightarrow \tau_2 \Rightarrow \tau$
- Tupled: $f' :: \tau_1 \times \tau_2 \Rightarrow \tau$

Advantage:

Currying allows *partial application*

$f a_1$ where $a_1 :: \tau_1$

Predefined syntactic sugar

- *Infix*: $+$, $-$, $*$, $\#$, $@$, ...
- *Mixfix*: *if _ then _ else _*, *case _ of*, ...

Prefix binds more strongly than infix:

$$! \quad f \ x + y \equiv (f \ x) + y \not\equiv f \ (x + y) \quad !$$

Enclose *if* and *case* in parentheses:

$$! \quad (if \ _ \ then \ _ \ else \ _) \quad !$$

Isabelle text = Theory = Module

Syntax: `theory` *MyTh*
`imports` *ImpTh*₁ ... *ImpTh*_{*n*}
`begin`
(definitions, theorems, proofs, ...)*
`end`

MyTh: name of theory. Must live in file *MyTh.thy*

*ImpTh*_{*i*}: name of *imported* theories. Import transitive.

Usually: `imports` Main

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Summary

Proof General



An Isabelle Interface

by David Aspinall

Proof General

Customized version of (x)emacs:

- all of emacs
- Isabelle aware (when editing `.thy` files)
- mathematical symbols (“x-symbols”)

X-Symbols

Input of funny symbols

- via abbreviation: \Rightarrow , \implies , \wedge , \vee , ...
- via ascii encoding (similar to \LaTeX): `\<and>`, ...
- via menu (“X-Symbol”)

13P by Holger Gast

Similar to ProofGeneral but

- Does not need emacs
- \implies easier to install!
- Based on Netbeans/Swing
- \implies may be more familiar
- Nicer fonts
- ...

Concrete syntax

In .thy files:

Types, terms and formulas need to be inclosed in "

Except for single identifiers

" normally not shown on slides

Overview_Demo.thy

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Summary

Type *bool*

datatype *bool* = *True* | *False*

Predefined functions:

$\wedge, \vee, \longrightarrow, \dots :: \textit{bool} \Rightarrow \textit{bool} \Rightarrow \textit{bool}$

A logical formula is a term of type *bool*

if-and-only-if: =

Type *nat*

datatype *nat* = 0 | *Suc nat*

Values of type *nat*: 0, *Suc 0*, *Suc(Suc 0)*, ...

Predefined functions: +, *, ... :: *nat* ⇒ *nat* ⇒ *nat*

! Numbers and arithmetic operations are overloaded:

0, 1, 2, ... :: 'a, + :: 'a ⇒ 'a ⇒ 'a

You need type annotations: 1 :: *nat*, *x* + (*y*::*nat*)

... unless the context is unambiguous: *Suc z*

Nat_Demo.thy

Type *'a list*

Lists of elements of type *'a*

datatype *'a list* = *Nil* | *Cons 'a ('a list)*

Syntactic sugar:

- $[] = Nil$: empty list
- $x \# xs = Cons\ x\ xs$:
list with first element x (“head”) and rest xs (“tail”)
- $[x_1, \dots, x_n] = x_1 \# \dots \# x_n \# []$

Structural Induction for lists

To prove that $P(xs)$ for all lists xs , prove

- $P([])$ and
- for arbitrary x and xs , $P(xs)$ implies $P(x\#xs)$.

$$\frac{P([]) \quad \bigwedge x xs. P(xs) \implies P(x\#xs)}{P(xs)}$$

List_Demo.thy

Large library: HOL/List.thy

Included in Main.

Don't reinvent, reuse!

Predefined: $xs @ ys$ (append), $length$, and map :

$$map f [x_1, \dots, x_n] = [f x_1, \dots, f x_n]$$

fun $map :: ('a \Rightarrow 'b) \Rightarrow 'a list \Rightarrow 'b list$ **where**
 $map f [] = []$ |
 $map f (x\#xs) = f x \# map f xs$

Note: map takes *function* as argument.

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Summary

- **datatype** defines (possibly) recursive data types.
- **fun** defines (possibly) recursive functions by pattern-matching over datatype constructors.

Proof methods

- *induct* performs structural induction on some variable (if the type of the variable is a datatype).
- *auto* solves as many subgoals as it can, mainly by simplification (symbolic evaluation):

“=” is used only from left to right!

Proofs

General schema:

```
lemma name: "..."  
apply (...)  
apply (...)  
:  
done
```

If the lemma is suitable as a simplification rule:

```
lemma name[simp]: "..."
```

Top down proofs

Command

sorry

“completes” any proof.

Allows top down development:

Assume lemma first, prove it later.

The proof state

$$1. \bigwedge x_1 \dots x_p. A \implies B$$

$x_1 \dots x_p$ fixed local variables

A local assumption(s)

B actual (sub)goal

Preview: Multiple assumptions

$$\llbracket A_1; \dots ; A_n \rrbracket \Longrightarrow B$$

abbreviates

$$A_1 \Longrightarrow \dots \Longrightarrow A_n \Longrightarrow B$$

; \approx “and”

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③ Type and function definitions

Type definitions

Function definitions

Type abbreviations

types *name* = τ

Introduces an *abbreviation name* for type τ

Examples:

types

name = *string*

('a,'b)foo = *'a list* \times *'b list*

Type abbreviations are expanded after parsing
and are not present in internal representation and output

datatype — the general case

$$\text{datatype } (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)\tau = \begin{array}{l} C_1 \tau_{1,1} \dots \tau_{1,n_1} \\ | \quad \dots \\ C_k \tau_{k,1} \dots \tau_{k,n_k} \end{array}$$

- *Types*: $C_i :: \tau_{i,1} \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \tau_{i,n_i} \Rightarrow (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)\tau$
- *Distinctness*: $C_i \dots \neq C_j \dots$ if $i \neq j$
- *Injectivity*: $(C_i x_1 \dots x_{n_i} = C_i y_1 \dots y_{n_i}) = (x_1 = y_1 \wedge \dots \wedge x_{n_i} = y_{n_i})$

Distinctness and injectivity are applied automatically
Induction must be applied explicitly

Case expressions

Datatype values can be taken apart with *case*:

$$(case\ xs\ of\ [] \Rightarrow \dots \mid y\#\!ys \Rightarrow \dots\ y \dots\ ys \dots)$$

Wildcards: $_$

$$(case\ m\ of\ 0 \Rightarrow Suc\ 0 \mid Suc\ _ \Rightarrow 0)$$

Nested patterns:

$$(case\ xs\ of\ [0] \Rightarrow 0 \mid [Suc\ n] \Rightarrow n \mid _ \Rightarrow 2)$$

Complicated patterns mean complicated proofs!

Need () in context

③ Type and function definitions

Type definitions

Function definitions

Non-recursive definitions

Example:

definition $sq :: nat \Rightarrow nat$ **where** $sq\ n = n*n$

No pattern matching, just $f\ x_1 \dots x_n = \dots$

Nontermination can kill

How about $f x = f x + 1$?

! All functions in HOL must be total !

Key features of **fun**

- Pattern-matching over datatype constructors
- Order of equations matters
- Termination must be provable automatically by size measures
- Proves customized induction schema

Example: separation

fun *sep* :: 'a ⇒ 'a list ⇒ 'a list **where**

sep a (x#y#zs) = x # a # *sep* a (y#zs) |

sep a xs = xs

Example: Ackermann

fun *ack* :: *nat* \Rightarrow *nat* \Rightarrow *nat* **where**

ack 0 *n* = *Suc* *n* |

ack (*Suc* *m*) 0 = *ack* *m* (*Suc* 0) |

ack (*Suc* *m*) (*Suc* *n*) = *ack* *m* (*ack* (*Suc* *m*) *n*)

Terminates because the arguments decrease
lexicographically with each recursive call:

- (*Suc* *m*, 0) > (*m*, *Suc* 0)
- (*Suc* *m*, *Suc* *n*) > (*Suc* *m*, *n*)
- (*Suc* *m*, *Suc* *n*) > (*m*, -)

Tree_Demo.thy

primrec

- A restrictive version of **fun**
- Means *primitive recursive*
- Most functions are primitive recursive
- Frequently found in Isabelle theories

The essence of primitive recursion:

$$f(0) = \dots \quad \text{no recursion}$$

$$f(\text{Suc } n) = \dots f(n) \dots$$

$$g(\square) = \dots \quad \text{no recursion}$$

$$g(x\#xs) = \dots g(xs) \dots$$

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- Simplification
- Induction

Simplification means ...

Using equations $l = r$ from left to right

As long as possible

Terminology: equation \rightsquigarrow *simplification rule*

Simplification = (Term) Rewriting

An example

Equations:

$$0 + n = n \quad (1)$$
$$(Suc\ m) + n = Suc\ (m + n) \quad (2)$$
$$(Suc\ m \leq Suc\ n) = (m \leq n) \quad (3)$$
$$(0 \leq m) = True \quad (4)$$

Rewriting:

$$0 + Suc\ 0 \leq Suc\ 0 + x \quad \underline{\underline{(1)}}$$
$$Suc\ 0 \leq Suc\ 0 + x \quad \underline{\underline{(2)}}$$
$$Suc\ 0 \leq Suc\ (0 + x) \quad \underline{\underline{(3)}}$$
$$0 \leq 0 + x \quad \underline{\underline{(4)}}$$
$$True$$

Conditional rewriting

Simplification rules can be conditional:

$$\llbracket P_1; \dots; P_k \rrbracket \Longrightarrow l = r$$

is applicable only if all P_i can be proved first, again by simplification.

Example:

$$p(x) \Longrightarrow \begin{array}{l} p(0) = True \\ f(x) = g(x) \end{array}$$

We can simplify $f(0)$ to $g(0)$ but we cannot simplify $f(1)$ because $p(1)$ is not provable.

Termination

Simplification may not terminate.

Isabelle uses *simp*-rules (almost) blindly from left to right.

Example: $f(x) = g(x)$, $g(x) = f(x)$

$$\llbracket P_1; \dots; P_k \rrbracket \Longrightarrow l = r$$

is suitable as a *simp*-rule only
if l is “bigger” than r and each P_i

$$n < m \Longrightarrow (n < \text{Suc } m) = \text{True} \quad \text{YES}$$

$$\text{Suc } n < m \Longrightarrow (n < m) = \text{True} \quad \text{NO}$$

Proof method *simp*

Goal: 1. $\llbracket P_1; \dots; P_m \rrbracket \implies C$

apply(*simp add: eq₁ ... eq_n*)

Simplify $P_1 \dots P_m$ and C using

- lemmas with attribute *simp*
- rules from **fun** and **datatype**
- additional lemmas $eq_1 \dots eq_n$
- assumptions $P_1 \dots P_m$

Variations:

- (*simp ... del: ...*) removes *simp*-lemmas
- *add* and *del* are optional

auto versus *simp*

- *auto* acts on all subgoals
- *simp* acts only on subgoal 1
- *auto* applies *simp* and more
- *auto* can also be modified:
(*auto simp add: ... simp del: ...*)

Rewriting with definitions

Definitions (**definition**) must be used **explicitly**:

$$(\textit{simp add: } f_def \dots)$$

f is the function whose definition is to be unfolded.

Case splitting with *simp*

Automatic:

$$\begin{aligned} &P(\text{if } A \text{ then } s \text{ else } t) \\ &= \\ &(A \longrightarrow P(s)) \wedge (\neg A \longrightarrow P(t)) \end{aligned}$$

By hand:

$$\begin{aligned} &P(\text{case } e \text{ of } 0 \Rightarrow a \mid \text{Suc } n \Rightarrow b) \\ &= \\ &(e = 0 \longrightarrow P(a)) \wedge (\forall n. e = \text{Suc } n \longrightarrow P(b)) \end{aligned}$$

Proof method: (*simp split: nat.split*)

Or *auto*. Similar for any datatype *t*: *t.split*

Simp_Demo.thy

4 Simplification and Induction

Simplification

Induction

Basic induction heuristics

Theorems about recursive functions are proved by
induction

Induction on argument number i of f
if f is defined by recursion on argument number i

A tail recursive reverse

Our initial reverse:

```
fun rev :: 'a list  $\Rightarrow$  'a list where  
  rev [] = [] |  
  rev (x#xs) = rev xs @ [x]
```

A tail recursive version:

```
fun itrev :: 'a list  $\Rightarrow$  'a list  $\Rightarrow$  'a list where  
  itrev [] ys = ys |  
  itrev (x#xs) ys =
```

```
lemma itrev xs [] = rev xs
```

Why in this direction?

Because the lhs is “more complex” than the rhs.

Induct_Demo.thy

Generalisation

Generalisation

- Replace constants by variables
- Generalize free variables
 - by \forall in formula
 - by *arbitrary* in induction proof

So far, all proofs were by **structural induction**
because all functions were **primitive recursive**.

In each induction step, 1 constructor is added.
In each recursive call, 1 constructor is removed.

Now: induction for complex recursion patterns.

Computation Induction: Example

fun *div2* :: *nat* \Rightarrow *nat* **where**
div2 0 = 0 |
div2 (Suc 0) = 0 |
div2(Suc(Suc n)) = Suc(*div2* n)

\rightsquigarrow induction rule *div2.induct*:

$$\frac{P(0) \quad P(\text{Suc } 0) \quad P(n) \implies P(\text{Suc}(\text{Suc } n))}{P(m)}$$

Computation Induction

If $f :: \tau \Rightarrow \tau'$ is defined by **fun**, a special induction schema is provided to prove $P(x)$ for all $x :: \tau$:

for each defining equation

$$f(e) = \dots f(r_1) \dots f(r_k) \dots$$

prove $P(e)$ assuming $P(r_1), \dots, P(r_k)$.

Induction follows course of (terminating!) computation
Motto: properties of f are best proved by rule *f.induct*

How to apply *f.induct*

If $f :: \tau_1 \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \tau_n \Rightarrow \tau'$:

(induct a₁ ... a_n rule: f.induct)

Heuristic:

- there should be a call $f a_1 \dots a_n$ in your goal
- ideally the a_i should be variables.

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Computation Induction

Part II

Interlude: Expressions

5 IMP Expressions

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This section introduces

arithmetic and boolean expressions

of our imperative language IMP.

IMP *commands* are introduced later.

⑤ IMP Expressions

Arithmetic Expressions

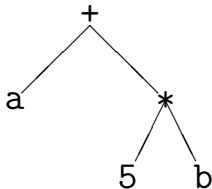
Boolean Expressions

Stack Machines and Compilation

Concrete and abstract syntax

Concrete syntax: strings, eg "a+5*b"

Abstract syntax: trees, eg



Parser: function from strings to trees

Linear view of trees: terms, eg *Plus a (Times 5 b)*

Abstract syntax trees/terms are datatype values!

Concrete syntax is defined by a context-free grammar, eg

$$a ::= n \mid x \mid (a) \mid a + a \mid a * a \mid \dots$$

where n can be any natural number and x any variable.

We focus on *abstract* syntax
which we introduce via datatypes.

Datatype *aexp*

Variable names are replaced by numbers:

types *name = nat*

datatype *aexp = N nat | V name | Plus aexp aexp*

Concrete	Abstract
5	<i>N 5</i>
x	<i>V 0</i>
x+y	<i>Plus (V 0) (V 1)</i>
2+(z+3)	<i>Plus (N 2) (Plus (V 2) (N 3))</i>

Warning

This is syntax, not (yet) semantics!

$$N\ 0 \neq Plus\ (N\ 0)\ (N\ 0)$$

The (program) state

What is the value of $x+1$?

- The value of an expression depends on the value of its variables.
- The value of all variables is recorded in the *state*.
- The state is a function from variable names to values:

types $state = name \Rightarrow nat$

How to write down a state

- There is no pretty notation like $\{0 \mapsto 7, 1 \mapsto 42, \dots\}$
- But there is $[7, 42, \dots]$
- And there is $nth :: 'a \text{ list} \Rightarrow (nat \Rightarrow 'a)$
- Thus: $nth [7, 42, \dots] :: state$
 $nth [7, 42, \dots] \approx \{0 \mapsto 7, 1 \mapsto 42, \dots\}$

The joys of *partial application*!

- Infix syntax for $nth \ xs \ n$: $xs ! n$
- By def of nth : $[7, 42, \dots] ! 1 = 42$
- Warning: $[7, 42] ! 3$ has some value — but we do not know which!

AExp.thy

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BExp.thy

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ASM.thy

This was easy.

Because evaluation of expressions always terminates.

But execution of programs may *not* terminate.

Hence we cannot define it by a total recursive function.

We need more logical machinery
to define program execution and reason about it.

Part III

Logic and Structured Proofs

⑥ Logic and Proof beyond “=”

⑦ Isar: A Language for Structured Proofs

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⑥ Logic and Proof beyond “=”

Logical Formulas

Proof Automation

Single Step Proofs

Inductive Definitions

Syntax (in decreasing priority):

$$\begin{array}{l|l|l} \text{form} ::= & (\text{form}) & | \text{ term} = \text{term} & | \neg \text{form} \\ & \text{form} \wedge \text{form} & | \text{form} \vee \text{form} & | \text{form} \longrightarrow \text{form} \\ & \forall x. \text{form} & | \exists x. \text{form} & \end{array}$$

Examples:

$$\neg A \wedge B \vee C \equiv ((\neg A) \wedge B) \vee C$$

$$s = t \wedge C \equiv (s = t) \wedge C$$

$$A \wedge B = B \wedge A \equiv A \wedge (B = B) \wedge A$$

$$\forall x. P x \wedge Q x \equiv \forall x. (P x \wedge Q x)$$

Input syntax: \longleftrightarrow (same priority as \longrightarrow)

Conventions:

- \wedge , \vee and \longrightarrow associate to the right:

$$A \wedge B \wedge C \equiv A \wedge (B \wedge C)$$

- $A \longrightarrow B \longrightarrow C \equiv A \longrightarrow (B \longrightarrow C)$

$$\not\equiv (A \longrightarrow B) \longrightarrow C \quad !$$

- $\forall x y. P x y \equiv \forall x. \forall y. P x y \quad (\forall, \exists, \lambda, \dots)$

Warning

Quantifiers have low priority
and need to be parenthesized (if in some context)

$$! \quad P \wedge \forall x. Q x \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad P \wedge (\forall x. Q x) \quad !$$

X-Symbols

... and their ascii representations:

\forall	<code>\<forall></code>	ALL
\exists	<code>\<exists></code>	EX
λ	<code>\<lambda></code>	%
\longrightarrow	<code>--></code>	
\longleftrightarrow	<code><--></code>	
\wedge	<code>\&</code>	&
\vee	<code>\ </code>	
\neg	<code>\<not></code>	~
\neq	<code>\<noteq></code>	~=

Sets over type $'a$

$$'a \text{ set} = 'a \Rightarrow \text{bool}$$

- $\{\}, \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}, \{x. P x\}$
- $e \in A, A \subseteq B$
- $A \cup B, A \cap B, A - B, - A$
- ...

\in	<code>\<in></code>	:
\subseteq	<code>\<subseteq></code>	<code><=</code>
\cup	<code>\<union></code>	<code>Un</code>
\cap	<code>\<inter></code>	<code>Int</code>

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simp and *auto*

simp: rewriting and a bit of arithmetic

auto: rewriting and a bit of arithmetic, logic and sets

- Show you where they got stuck
- highly incomplete
- Extensible with new *simp*-rules

Exception: *auto* acts on all subgoals

fastsimp

- rewriting, logic, sets, relations and a bit of arithmetic.
- **incomplete** but better than *auto*.
- Succeeds or fails
- Extensible with new *simp*-rules

blast

- A **complete** proof search procedure for FOL ...
- ... but (almost) **without “=”**
- Covers logic, sets and relations
- Succeeds or fails
- Extensible with new deduction rules

Automating arithmetic

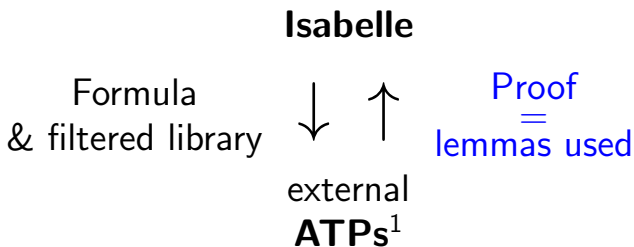
arith:

- proves linear formulas (no “*”)
- complete for quantifier-free *real* arithmetic
- complete for first-order theory of *nat* and *int* (Presburger arithmetic)

Sledgehammer



Architecture:



Characteristics:

- Sometimes it works,
- sometimes it doesn't.

Do you feel lucky?

¹Automatic Theorem Provers

by(*proof-method*)

≈

apply(*proof-method*)
done

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Step-by-step proofs can be necessary if automation fails and you have to explore where and why it failed.

Step-by-step proofs can occasionally be more readable than automagic proofs.

What are these *?-variables* ?

After you have finished a proof, Isabelle turns all free variables V in the theorem into $?V$.

Example: theorem conjI: $\llbracket ?P; ?Q \rrbracket \implies ?P \wedge ?Q$

These *?-variables* can later be instantiated:

- By hand:

`conjI[of "a=b" "False"]` \rightsquigarrow
 $\llbracket a = b; False \rrbracket \implies a = b \wedge False$

- By **unification**:

unifying $?P \wedge ?Q$ with $a=b \wedge False$
sets $?P$ to $a=b$ and $?Q$ to $False$.

Rule application

Example: rule: $[[?P; ?Q]] \implies ?P \wedge ?Q$

subgoal: 1. $\dots \implies A \wedge B$

Result: 1. $\dots \implies A$

2. $\dots \implies B$

The general case: applying rule $[[A_1; \dots ; A_n]] \implies A$
to subgoal $\dots \implies C$:

- Unify A and C
- Replace C with n new subgoals $A_1 \dots A_n$

apply(*rule xyz*)

“Backchaining”

Typical backwards rules

$$\frac{?P \quad ?Q}{?P \wedge ?Q} \text{ conjI}$$

$$\frac{?P \implies ?Q}{?P \longrightarrow ?Q} \text{ impI} \qquad \frac{\bigwedge x. ?P x}{\bigvee x. ?P x} \text{ allI}$$

$$\frac{?P \implies ?Q \quad ?Q \implies ?P}{?P = ?Q} \text{ iffI}$$

They are known as **introduction rules** because they *introduce* a particular connective.

Teaching *blast* new intro rules

If r is a theorem $\llbracket A_1; \dots; A_n \rrbracket \implies A$ then

$(blast\ intro: r)$

allows *blast* to backchain on r during proof search.

Example:

theorem *trans*: $\llbracket ?x \leq ?y; ?y \leq ?z \rrbracket \implies ?x \leq ?z$

goal 1. $\llbracket a \leq b; b \leq c; c \leq d \rrbracket \implies a \leq d$

proof **apply**(*blast intro: trans*)

Can greatly increase the search space!

Forward proof: OF

If r is a theorem $\llbracket A_1; \dots; A_n \rrbracket \implies A$
and r_1, \dots, r_m ($m \leq n$) are theorems then

$$r[\text{OF } r_1 \dots r_m]$$

is the theorem obtained
by proving $A_1 \dots A_m$ with $r_1 \dots r_m$.

Example: theorem refl: $?t = ?t$

conjI[OF refl[of "a"] refl[of "b"]]

$$\rightsquigarrow \\ a = a \wedge b = b$$

From now on: ? mostly suppressed on slides

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\implies versus \longrightarrow

\implies is part of the Isabelle framework. It structures theorems and proof states: $\llbracket A_1; \dots; A_n \rrbracket \implies A$

\longrightarrow is part of HOL and can occur inside the logical formulas A_i and A .

Phrase theorems like this $\llbracket A_1; \dots; A_n \rrbracket \implies A$
not like this $A_1 \wedge \dots \wedge A_n \longrightarrow A$

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Example: even numbers

Informally:

- 0 is even
- If n is even, so is $n + 2$
- These are the only even numbers

In Isabelle/HOL:

inductive $Ev :: nat \Rightarrow bool$

where

$Ev\ 0 \quad |$

$Ev\ n \Longrightarrow Ev\ (n + 2)$

Easy proof: $Ev\ 4$

$$Ev\ 0 \implies Ev\ 2 \implies Ev\ 4$$

Trickier proof: $Ev\ m \implies Ev\ (m+m)$

Idea: induction on the length of the proof of $Ev\ m$

Better: induction on the *structure* of the proof

Two cases: $Ev\ m$ is proved by

- rule $Ev\ 0$
 $\implies m = 0 \implies Ev\ (0+0)$
- rule $Ev\ n \implies Ev\ (n+2)$
 $\implies m = n+2$ and $Ev\ (n+n)$ (ind. hyp.!)
 $\implies m+m = (n+2)+(n+2) = ((n+n)+2)+2$
 $\implies Ev\ (m+m)$

Rule induction for Ev

To prove

$$Ev\ n \Longrightarrow P\ n$$

by *rule induction* on $Ev\ n$ we must prove

- $P\ 0$
- $P\ n \Longrightarrow P(n+2)$

Rule Ev.induct:

$$\frac{Ev\ n \quad P\ 0 \quad \bigwedge n. P\ n \Longrightarrow P(n+2)}{P\ n}$$

Format of inductive definitions

inductive $I :: \tau \Rightarrow bool$ **where**

$\llbracket I a_1; \dots ; I a_n \rrbracket \Longrightarrow I a \mid$

\vdots

Note:

- I may have multiple arguments.
- Each rule may also contain *side conditions* not involving I .

Rule induction in general

To prove

$$I x \implies P x$$

by *rule induction* on $I x$

we must prove for every rule

$$\llbracket I a_1; \dots ; I a_n \rrbracket \implies I a$$

that P is preserved:

$$\llbracket P a_1; \dots ; P a_n \rrbracket \implies P a$$

!

Rule induction is absolutely central
to (operational) semantics
and the rest of this lecture course

!

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⑦ Isar: A Language for Structured Proofs

Apply scripts

- unreadable
- hard to maintain
- do not scale

No structure!

Apply scripts versus Isar proofs

Apply script = assembly language program

Isar proof = structured program with comments

But: **apply** still useful for proof exploration

A typical Isar proof

proof

assume $formula_0$

have $formula_1$ **by** *simp*

\vdots

have $formula_n$ **by** *blast*

show $formula_{n+1}$ **by** \dots

qed

proves $formula_0 \implies formula_{n+1}$

Isar core syntax

proof = **proof** [method] step* **qed**
| **by** method

method = (*simp* ...) | (*blast* ...) | (*induct* ...) | ...

step = **fix** variables (\wedge)
| **assume** prop (\implies)
| [**from** fact⁺] (**have** | **show**) prop proof

prop = [name:] "formula"

fact = name | ...

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Example: Cantor's theorem

```
lemma Cantor:  $\neg \text{surj}(f :: 'a \Rightarrow 'a \text{ set})$   
proof default proof: assume surj, show False  
  assume a: surj f  
  from a have b:  $\forall A. \exists a. A = f\ a$   
    by(simp add: surj_def)  
  from b have c:  $\exists a. \{x. x \notin f\ x\} = f\ a$   
    by blast  
  from c show False  
    by blast  
qed
```

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Cantor and abbreviations

Abbreviations

<i>this</i>	=	the previous proposition proved or assumed
then	=	from <i>this</i>
thus	=	then show
hence	=	then have

using and with

(**have|show**) prop **using** facts
=
from facts (**have|show**) prop

with facts
=
from facts *this*

Structured lemma statement

lemma *Cantor'*:

fixes $f :: 'a \Rightarrow 'a \text{ set}$

assumes $s: \text{surj } f$

shows *False*

proof — **no automatic proof step**

have $\exists a. \{x. x \notin f x\} = f a$ **using** s

by(*auto simp: surj-def*)

thus *False* **by** *blast*

qed

Proves $\text{surj } f \implies \text{False}$

but $\text{surj } f$ becomes local fact s in proof.

The essence of structured proofs

Assumptions and intermediate facts
can be named and referred to explicitly and selectively

Structured lemma statements

fixes $x :: \tau_1$ **and** $y :: \tau_2 \dots$
assumes $a: P$ **and** $b: Q \dots$
shows R

- **fixes** and **assumes** sections optional
- **shows** optional if no **fixes** and **assumes**

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show $P \iff Q$
proof
 assume P
 :
 show $Q \dots$
next
 assume Q
 :
 show $P \dots$
qed

Set equality and subset

show $A = B$

proof

show $A \subseteq B \dots$

next

show $B \subseteq A \dots$

qed

show $A \subseteq B$

proof

fix x

assume $x \in A$

\vdots

show $x \in B \dots$

qed

Case distinction

show R
proof *cases*
 assume P
 :
 show $R \dots$
next
 assume $\neg P$
 :
 show $R \dots$
qed

have $P \vee Q \dots$
then show R
proof
 assume P
 :
 show $R \dots$
next
 assume Q
 :
 show $R \dots$
qed



show $\neg P$
proof
 assume P
 \vdots
 show *False* ...
qed

show P
proof (*rule ccontr*)
 assume $\neg P$
 \vdots
 show *False* ...
qed

Contradiction

\forall and \exists introduction

show $\forall x. P(x)$

proof

fix x local fixed variable

show $P(x)$...

qed

show $\exists x. P(x)$

proof

\vdots

show $P(\textit{witness})$...

qed

\exists elimination: **obtain**

have $\exists x. P(x)$

then obtain x **where** $p: P(x)$ **by blast**

\vdots *x fixed local variable*

Works for one or more x

obtain example

lemma *Cantor''*: $\neg \text{surj}(f :: 'a \Rightarrow 'a \text{ set})$

proof

assume *surj f*

hence $\exists a. \{x. x \notin f x\} = f a$ **by** (*auto simp: surj_def*)

then obtain *a* **where** $\{x. x \notin f x\} = f a$ **by** *blast*

hence $a \notin f a \iff a \in f a$ **by** *blast*

thus *False* **by** *blast*

qed

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Exercise

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Example: pattern matching

show $formula_1 \longleftrightarrow formula_2$ (**is** $?L \longleftrightarrow ?R$)

proof

assume $?L$

\vdots

show $?R \dots$

next

assume $?R$

\vdots

show $?L \dots$

qed

?thesis

show *formula* (*is ?thesis*)

proof -

⋮

show *?thesis* ...

qed

Every **show** implicitly defines *?thesis*

let

Introducing local abbreviations in proofs:

```
let ?t = "some-big-term"
```

```
⋮
```

```
have "... ?t ..."
```


Quoting facts by value

By name:

```
have x0: "x > 0" ...  
:  
from x0 ...
```

By value:

```
have "x > 0" ...  
:  
from 'x>0' ...  
      ↑   ↑  
      back quotes
```

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Pattern matching and quotation

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Example

lemma

assumes $xs = rev\ xs$

shows $(\exists ys. xs = ys @ rev\ ys) \vee$
 $(\exists ys\ a. xs = ys @ a \# rev\ ys)$

proof ???

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Top down proof development

When automation fails

Split proof up into smaller steps.

Or explore by **apply**:

have ... **using** ...

apply -

to make incoming facts
part of proof state
or whatever

apply *auto*

apply ...

At the end:

- **done**
- Better: [convert to structured proof](#)

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moreover—ultimately

have $P_1 \dots$

moreover

have $P_2 \dots$

moreover

\vdots

moreover

have $P_n \dots$

ultimately

have $P \dots$

\approx

have $lab_1: P_1 \dots$

have $lab_2: P_2 \dots$

\vdots

have $lab_n: P_n \dots$

from $lab_1 lab_2 \dots$

have $P \dots$

With names

Raw proof blocks

```
{ fix  $x_1 \dots x_n$   
  assume  $A_1 \dots A_m$   
   $\vdots$   
  have  $B$   
}
```

proves $\llbracket A_1; \dots ; A_m \rrbracket \implies B$

where all x_i have been replaced by $?x_i$.

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moreover and { }

Proof state and Isar text

In general: **proof** *method*

Applies *method* and generates subgoal(s):

$$\bigwedge x_1 \dots x_n \llbracket A_1; \dots ; A_m \rrbracket \implies B$$

How to prove each subgoal:

```
fix  $x_1 \dots x_n$   
assume  $A_1 \dots A_m$   
:  
show  $B$ 
```

Separated by **next**

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Case distinction

Datatype case distinction

datatype $t = C_1 \vec{\tau} \mid \dots$

```
proof (cases "term")  
  case ( $C_1 \vec{x}$ )  
     $\dots \vec{x} \dots$   
next  
   $\vdots$   
qed
```

where **case** ($C_i \vec{x}$) \equiv

fix \vec{x}

assume $\underbrace{C_i}_{\text{label}} : \underbrace{\text{term} = (C_i \vec{x})}_{\text{formula}}$

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Structural induction for *nat*

Structural induction for nat

show $P(n)$

proof (*induct* n)

case 0 \equiv **let** $?case = P(0)$

\vdots

show $?case$

next

case ($Suc\ n$) \equiv **fix** n **assume** $Suc: P(n)$

\vdots

let $?case = P(Suc\ n)$

show $?case$

qed

Structural induction with \implies

show $A(n) \implies P(n)$

proof (*induct n*)

case 0

\equiv **fix** x **assume** 0 : $A(0)$

\vdots

let $?case = P(0)$

show $?case$

next

case ($Suc\ n$)

\equiv **fix** n

\vdots

assume Suc : $A(n) \implies P(n)$
 $A(Suc\ n)$

\vdots

let $?case = P(Suc\ n)$

show $?case$

qed

A remark on style

- **case** (*Suc n*) ... **show** *?case*
is easy to write and maintain
- **fix** *n* **assume** *formula* ... **show** *formula'*
is easier to read:
 - all information is shown locally
 - no contextual references (e.g. *?case*)

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Rule induction

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inductive $I :: \tau \Rightarrow \sigma \Rightarrow \text{bool}$

where

$rule_1: \dots$

\vdots

$rule_n: \dots$

show $I x y \Longrightarrow P x y$

proof (*induct rule: I.induct*)

case $rule_1$

\dots

show *?case*

next

\vdots

next

case $rule_n$

\dots

show *?case*

qed

Fixing your own variable names

case ($rule_i$ $x_1 \dots x_k$)

Renames the first k variables in $rule_i$ (from left to right) to $x_1 \dots x_k$.

The named assumptions

Given: an inductive definition of I .

In a proof of

$$I \dots \implies A_1 \implies \dots \implies A_n \implies B,$$

in the context of

case R

we have

R.hyps the assumptions of rule R , plus the induction hypothesis for each assumption $I \dots$

*R.prem*s the premises A_i

$$R = R.hyps @ R.prem$$

Part IV

IMP: A Simple Imperative Language

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⑨ Compiler

⑩ A Typed Version of IMP

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Terminology

Statement: declaration of fact or claim

Semantics is easy.

Command: order to do something

Read the slides until you have understood them.

Expressions are **evaluated**, commands are **executed**

Commands

Concrete syntax:

$$\begin{aligned} com & ::= \text{SKIP} \\ & | \text{nat} ::= aexp \\ & | com ; com \\ & | \text{IF } bexp \text{ THEN } com \text{ ELSE } com \\ & | \text{WHILE } bexp \text{ DO } com \end{aligned}$$

Commands

Abstract syntax:

datatype *com* = *SKIP*
| *Assign nat aexp*
| *Semi com com*
| *If bexp com com*
| *While bexp com*

Com.thy

Function update notation

If $f :: \tau_1 \Rightarrow \tau_2$ and $a :: \tau_1$ and $b :: \tau_2$ then

$$f(a := b)$$

is the function that behaves like f
except that it returns b for argument a .

$$f(a := b) = (\lambda x. \text{if } x = a \text{ then } b \text{ else } f x)$$

⑧ IMP

Big Step Semantics

Small Step Semantics

Big step semantics

Concrete syntax:

$$(com, initial-state) \Rightarrow final-state$$

Intended meaning of $(c, s) \Rightarrow t$:

Command c started in state s terminates in state t

“ \Rightarrow ” here not type!

Big step rules

$$(SKIP, s) \Rightarrow s$$

$$(x ::= a, s) \Rightarrow s(x := \text{aval } a \ s)$$

$$\frac{(c_1, s_1) \Rightarrow s_2 \quad (c_2, s_2) \Rightarrow s_3}{(c_1; c_2, s_1) \Rightarrow s_3}$$

Big step rules

$$\frac{\text{bval } b \ s \quad (c_1, s) \Rightarrow t}{(IF\ b\ THEN\ c_1\ ELSE\ c_2, s) \Rightarrow t}$$

$$\frac{\neg \text{bval } b \ s \quad (c_2, s) \Rightarrow t}{(IF\ b\ THEN\ c_1\ ELSE\ c_2, s) \Rightarrow t}$$

Big step rules

$$\frac{\neg \text{bval } b \ s}{(\text{WHILE } b \ \text{DO } c, s) \Rightarrow s}$$

$$\frac{(c, s_1) \Rightarrow s_2 \quad \text{bval } b \ s_1 \quad (\text{WHILE } b \ \text{DO } c, s_2) \Rightarrow s_3}{(\text{WHILE } b \ \text{DO } c, s_1) \Rightarrow s_3}$$

Examples: derivation trees

$$\frac{\vdots}{(0 ::= N\ 5; 1 ::= V\ 0, s) \Rightarrow ?} \qquad \frac{\vdots}{(w, s_i) \Rightarrow ?}$$

where $w = \text{WHILE } b \text{ DO } c$
 $b = \text{NotEq } (V\ 0) (N\ 2)$
 $c = 0 ::= \text{Plus } (V\ 0) (N\ 1)$

$\text{NotEq } a_1\ a_2 =$
 $\text{Not}(\text{And } (\text{Not}(\text{Less } a_1\ a_2)) (\text{Not}(\text{Less } a_2\ a_1)))$

and s_i is “ $\{0 \mapsto i\}$ ” (formally: $s_i = \text{nth } [i]$).

Logically speaking

$$(c, s) \Rightarrow t$$

is just infix syntax for

$$\mathit{big_step} (c,s) t$$

where

$$\mathit{big_step} :: \mathit{com} \times \mathit{state} \Rightarrow \mathit{state} \Rightarrow \mathit{bool}$$

is an inductively defined predicate.

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Semantics

Rule inversion

What can we deduce from

- $(SKIP, s) \Rightarrow t$?
- $(x ::= a, s) \Rightarrow t$?
- $(c_1; c_2, s_1) \Rightarrow s_3$?

- $(IF\ b\ THEN\ c_1\ ELSE\ c_2, s) \Rightarrow t$?

- $(w, s) \Rightarrow t$ where $w = WHILE\ b\ DO\ c$?

How are these inversions proved?

By case distinction:

*Which rules could have derived $(c, s) \Rightarrow t$,
and under which conditions?*

Automatic proof via **inductive_cases**

Produces an optimized format: *elimination rules*

We reformulate the inverted rules. Example:

$$\frac{(c_1; c_2, s_1) \Rightarrow s_3}{\exists s_2. (c_1, s_1) \Rightarrow s_2 \wedge (c_2, s_2) \Rightarrow s_3}$$

is *logically equivalent* to the more convenient

$$\frac{\bigwedge s_2. [(c_1, s_1) \Rightarrow s_2; (c_2, s_2) \Rightarrow s_3] \implies P}{P}$$

Replaces assm $(c_1; c_2, s_1) \Rightarrow s_3$ by two assms $(c_1, s_1) \Rightarrow s_2$ and $(c_2, s_2) \Rightarrow s_3$ (with a new fixed s_2).

No \exists and \wedge !

Similar for all other inverted rules

The general format: **elimination rules**

$$\frac{asm \quad asm_1 \implies P \quad \dots \quad asm_n \implies P}{P}$$

(possibly with $\bigwedge \bar{x}$ in front of the $asm_i \implies P$)

Reading:

To prove a goal P with assumption asm ,
prove all $asm_i \implies P$

Example:

$$\frac{F \vee G \quad F \implies P \quad G \implies P}{P}$$

elim attribute

- Theorems with *elim* attribute are used automatically by *blast*, *fastsimp* and *auto*
- Can also be added locally, eg (*blast elim: ...*)
- Variant: *elim!* applies elim-rules eagerly.

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Rule inversion

Command equivalence

Two commands have the same input/output behaviour:

$$c \sim c' \equiv (\forall s t. (c,s) \Rightarrow t \iff (c',s) \Rightarrow t)$$

Example

$$w \sim iw$$

where $w = \textit{WHILE } b \textit{ DO } c$

$iw = \textit{IF } b \textit{ THEN } c; w \textit{ ELSE SKIP}$

A derivation-based proof:

transform any derivation of $(w, s) \Rightarrow t$

into a derivation of $(iw, s) \Rightarrow t$,

and vice versa.

A formula-based proof

$$\begin{aligned} & (w, s) \Rightarrow t \\ & \iff \\ & \text{bval } b \ s \wedge (\exists s'. (c, s) \Rightarrow s' \wedge (w, s') \Rightarrow t) \\ & \quad \vee \\ & \neg \text{bval } b \ s \wedge t = s \\ & \iff \\ & (iw, s) \Rightarrow t \end{aligned}$$

Using the rules and rule inversions for \Rightarrow .

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Command equivalence

Execution is deterministic

Any two executions of the same command in the same start state lead to the same final state:

$$(c, s) \Rightarrow t \implies (c, s) \Rightarrow t' \implies t = t'$$

Proof by rule induction, for arbitrary t' .

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Execution is deterministic

The boon and bane of big steps

We cannot observe intermediate states/steps

Example problem:

(c, s) does not terminate iff $\nexists t. (c, s) \Rightarrow t$?

Needs a formal notion of nontermination to prove it.
Could be wrong if we have forgotten a \Rightarrow rule.

Big step semantics cannot directly describe

- nonterminating computations,
- parallel computations.

We need a finer grained semantics!

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Small Step Semantics

Small step semantics

Concrete syntax:

$$(com, state) \rightarrow (com, state)$$

Intended meaning of $(c, s) \rightarrow (c', s')$:

The first step in the execution of c in state s leaves a “remainder” command c' to be executed in state s' .

Execution as finite or infinite reduction:

$$(c_1, s_1) \rightarrow (c_2, s_2) \rightarrow (c_3, s_3) \rightarrow \dots$$

Terminology

- A pair (c, s) is called a **configuration**.
- If $cs \rightarrow cs'$ we say that cs **reduces** to cs' .
- A configuration cs is **final** iff $\nexists cs'. cs \rightarrow cs'$

The intention:

$(SKIP, s)$ is final

Why?

SKIP is the empty program. Nothing more to be done.

Small step rules

$$(x ::= a, s) \rightarrow (SKIP, s(x := \text{aval } a \ s))$$

$$(SKIP; c, s) \rightarrow (c, s)$$

$$\frac{(c_1, s) \rightarrow (c'_1, s')}{(c_1; c_2, s) \rightarrow (c'_1; c_2, s')}$$

Small step rules

$$\frac{bval\ b\ s}{(IF\ b\ THEN\ c_1\ ELSE\ c_2,\ s) \rightarrow (c_1,\ s)}$$

$$\frac{\neg\ bval\ b\ s}{(IF\ b\ THEN\ c_1\ ELSE\ c_2,\ s) \rightarrow (c_2,\ s)}$$

$$(WHILE\ b\ DO\ c,\ s) \rightarrow (IF\ b\ THEN\ c;\ WHILE\ b\ DO\ c\ ELSE\ SKIP,\ s)$$

Fact $(SKIP, s)$ is a final configuration.

Small step examples

$(2 ::= V\ 0; 0 ::= V\ 1; 1 ::= V\ 2, s) \rightarrow \dots$

where $s = nth\ [11, 13, 17]$.

$(w, s_0) \rightarrow \dots$

where $w = WHILE\ b\ DO\ c$
 $b = Less\ (V\ 0)\ (N\ 1)$
 $c = 0 ::= Plus\ (V\ 0)\ (N\ 1)$
 $s_n = nth\ [n]$

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Semantics

Are big and small step semantics equivalent?

From \Rightarrow to \rightarrow^*

Theorem $cs \Rightarrow t \implies cs \rightarrow^* (SKIP, t)$

Proof by rule induction (of course on $cs \Rightarrow t$)

From \rightarrow^* to \Rightarrow

Theorem $cs \rightarrow^* (SKIP, t) \implies cs \Rightarrow t$

Needs to be generalized:

Lemma 1 $cs \rightarrow^* cs' \implies cs' \Rightarrow t \implies cs \Rightarrow t$

Now Theorem follows from Lemma 1 by $(SKIP, t) \Rightarrow t$.

Lemma 1 is proved by rule induction on $cs \rightarrow^* cs'$.

Needs

Lemma 2 $cs \rightarrow cs' \implies cs' \Rightarrow t \implies cs \Rightarrow t$

Lemma 2 is proved by rule induction on $cs \rightarrow cs'$.

Equivalence

Corollary $cs \Rightarrow t \iff cs \rightarrow^* (SKIP, t)$

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Equivalence of big and small

Can execution stop prematurely?

That is, are there any final configs except $(SKIP, s)$?

Lemma $final(c, s) \implies c = SKIP$

We prove the contrapositive $(c \neq SKIP \implies \neg final(c, s))$

by induction on c .

- Case $c_1; c_2$: by case distinction:
 - $c_1 = SKIP \implies \neg final(c_1; c_2, s)$
 - $c_1 \neq SKIP \implies \neg final(c_1, s)$ (by IH)
 $\implies \neg final(c_1; c_2, s)$
- Remaining cases: trivial or easy

By rule inversion: $(SKIP, s) \rightarrow ct \implies False$

Together:

Corollary $final(c, s) = (c = SKIP)$

Infinite executions

\Rightarrow yields final state iff \rightarrow terminates

Lemma $(\exists t. cs \Rightarrow t) = (\exists cs'. cs \rightarrow^* cs' \wedge \text{final } cs')$

Proof: $(\exists t. cs \Rightarrow t)$
= $(\exists t. cs \rightarrow^* (\text{SKIP}, t))$
 (by big = small)
= $(\exists cs'. cs \rightarrow^* cs' \wedge \text{final } cs')$
 (by final = SKIP)

Equivalent:

\Rightarrow does not yield final state iff \rightarrow does not terminate

May versus Must

\rightarrow is deterministic:

Lemma $cs \rightarrow cs' \implies cs \rightarrow cs'' \implies cs'' = cs'$
(Proof by rule induction)

Therefore: no difference between

may terminate (there is a terminating \rightarrow path)

must terminate (all \rightarrow paths terminate)

Therefore: \Rightarrow correctly reflects termination behaviour.

With nondeterminism: may have both $cs \Rightarrow t$ and a nonterminating reduction $cs \rightarrow cs' \rightarrow \dots$

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Instructions:

datatype *instr* =

PUSH_N nat

PUSH_V nat

ADD |

STORE nat | store

JMPF nat | jump fwd

JMPB nat | jump bwd

JMPFLESS nat | jump fwd if <

JMPFGE nat | jump fwd if ≥

Type abbreviations:

$$\textit{stack} = \textit{nat list}$$

$$\textit{config} = \textit{nat} \times \textit{state} \times \textit{stack}$$

Execution of 1 instruction:

$$P \vdash (pc, s, stk) \rightarrow (pc', s', stk')$$

$$\textit{instr list} \vdash \textit{config} \rightarrow \textit{config}$$

$$\frac{i < |P| \quad P ! i = PUSH_N n}{P \vdash (i, s, stk) \rightarrow (i + 1, s, n \# stk)}$$

$$\frac{i < |P| \quad P ! i = PUSH_V x}{P \vdash (i, s, stk) \rightarrow (i + 1, s, s x \# stk)}$$

$$\frac{i < |P| \quad P ! i = ADD}{P \vdash (i, s, stk) \rightarrow (i + 1, s, (hd2\ stk + hd\ stk) \# tl2\ stk)}$$

$$\frac{i < |P| \quad P ! i = STORE n}{P \vdash (i, s, stk) \rightarrow (i + 1, s(n := hd\ stk), tl\ stk)}$$

$$\frac{i < |P| \quad P ! i = \text{JMPF } n}{P \vdash (i, s, stk) \rightarrow (i + 1 + n, s, stk)}$$

$$\frac{i < |P| \quad P ! i = \text{JMPB } n \quad n \leq i + 1}{P \vdash (i, s, stk) \rightarrow (i + 1 - n, s, stk)}$$

$$\frac{i < |P| \quad P ! i = \text{JMPFLESS } n}{P \vdash (i, s, stk) \rightarrow (i', s, tl2\ stk)}$$

where

$$i' = (\text{if } hd2\ stk < hd\ stk \text{ then } i + 1 + n \text{ else } i + 1)$$

JMPFGE: analogous

Defined in the usual manner:

$$P \vdash (pc, s, stk) \rightarrow^* (pc', s', stk')$$

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Compiling *aexp*

Same as before:

$$\text{acom}p (N\ n) = [PUSH_N\ n]$$

$$\text{acom}p (V\ n) = [PUSH_V\ n]$$

$$\text{acom}p (Plus\ a_1\ a_2) = \text{acom}p\ a_1\ @\ \text{acom}p\ a_2\ @\ [ADD]$$

Correctness theorem:

$$\text{acom}p\ a \vdash (0, s, stk) \rightarrow^* (|\text{acom}p\ a|, s, \text{aval}\ a\ s \# stk)$$

Proof by induction on a (with arbitrary stk).

Needs lemmas!

$$P \vdash c \rightarrow^* c' \implies P @ P' \vdash c \rightarrow^* c'$$

$$P \vdash (i, s, stk) \rightarrow^* (i', s', stk') \implies \\ P' @ P \vdash (|P'| + i, s, stk) \rightarrow^* (|P'| + i', s', stk')$$

Proofs by rule induction on \rightarrow^* ,
using the corresponding single step lemmas:

$$P \vdash c \rightarrow c' \implies P @ P' \vdash c \rightarrow c'$$

$$P \vdash (i, s, stk) \rightarrow (i', s', stk') \implies \\ P' @ P \vdash (|P'| + i, s, stk) \rightarrow (|P'| + i', s', stk')$$

Proofs by cases/induction.

Compiling *bexp*

Let *ins* be the compilation of *b*:

*Do not put value of b on the stack
but let value of b determine where execution of ins ends.*

Principle:

- Either execution leads to the end of *ins*
- or it jumps to offset $+n$ beyond *ins*.

Parameters: **when** to jump (if *b* is *True* or *False*)
where to jump to (*n*)

$bcomp :: bexp \Rightarrow bool \Rightarrow nat \Rightarrow instr\ list$

Example

Let $b =$

And (Less (V 0) (V 1)) (Not (Less (V 2) (V 3))).

bcomp b False 3 =

[PUSH_V 0,

PUSH_V 1,

,

PUSH_V 2,

PUSH_V 3,

]

bcomp :: *bexp* \Rightarrow *bool* \Rightarrow *nat* \Rightarrow *instr list*

bcomp (*B* *v*) *c* *n* = (*if* *v* = *c* *then* [*JMPF* *n*] *else* [])

bcomp (*Not* *b*) *c* *n* = *bcomp* *b* (\neg *c*) *n*

bcomp (*Less* *a*₁ *a*₂) *c* *n* =

acom *a*₁ @

acom *a*₂ @

(*if* *c* *then* [*JMPFLESS* *n*] *else* [*JMPFGE* *n*])

bcomp (*And* *b*₁ *b*₂) *c* *n* =

let *cb*₂ = *bcomp* *b*₂ *c* *n*;

m = *if* *c* *then* |*cb*₂| *else* |*cb*₂| + *n*;

*cb*₁ = *bcomp* *b*₁ *False* *m*

in *cb*₁ @ *cb*₂

Correctness of *bcomp*

$$\begin{aligned} & \textit{bcomp } b \ c \ n \\ \vdash & (0, s, \textit{stk}) \rightarrow^* \\ & (|\textit{bcomp } b \ c \ n| + (\textit{if } c = \textit{bval } b \ s \ \textit{then } n \ \textit{else } 0), s, \\ & \textit{stk}) \end{aligned}$$

Compiling *com*

ccomp :: *com* \Rightarrow *instr list*

ccomp *SKIP* = []

ccomp (*x* ::= *a*) = *acom* *a* @ [*STORE* *x*]

ccomp (*c*₁; *c*₂) = *ccomp* *c*₁ @ *ccomp* *c*₂

$ccomp (IF\ b\ THEN\ c_1\ ELSE\ c_2) =$

$let\ cc_1 = ccomp\ c_1; cc_2 = ccomp\ c_2;$

$cb = bcomp\ b\ False\ (|cc_1| + 1)$

$in\ cb\ @\ cc_1\ @\ JMPF\ |cc_2| \# cc_2$

$ccomp (WHILE\ b\ DO\ c) =$

$let\ cc = ccomp\ c; cb = bcomp\ b\ False\ (|cc| + 1)$

$in\ cb\ @\ cc\ @\ [JMPB\ (|cb| + |cc| + 1)]$

Correctness of *ccomp*

If the source code produces a certain result,
so should the compiled code:

$$(c, s) \Rightarrow t \implies \\ ccomp\ c \vdash (0, s, stk) \rightarrow^* (|ccomp\ c|, t, stk)$$

Proof by rule induction.

The other direction

We have only shown

compiled code simulates source code.

How about \Leftarrow :

source code simulates compiled code?

If $ccomp\ c$ produces result t , and if $(c, s) \Rightarrow t'$, then \Rightarrow implies that $ccomp\ c$ must also produce t' and thus $t' = t$ (why?).

But we have *not* ruled out this potential error:

c does not terminate but $ccomp\ c$ does.

We stop here.

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Why Types?

To prevent mistakes, dummy!

There are 3 kinds of types

The Good Static types that *guarantee* absence of certain runtime faults.

Example: no memory access errors in Java.

The Bad Static types that have mostly decorative value but do not guarantee anything at runtime.

Example: C, C++

The Ugly Dynamic types that detect errors when it can be too late.

Example: “Message not understood” in Smalltalk.

The ideal

Well-typed programs cannot go wrong.

Robin Milner, *A Theory of Type Polymorphism in Programming*, 1978.

The most influential slogan and one of the most influential papers in programming language theory.

What could go wrong?

- ① Corruption of data
- ② Null pointer exception
- ③ Nontermination
- ④ Run out of memory
- ⑤ Secret leaked
- ⑥ and many more . . .

There are type systems for *everything* (and more) but in practice (Java, C#) only 1 is covered.

Type safety

A programming language is **type safe** if the execution of a well-typed program cannot lead to certain errors.

Java and the JVM have been *proved* to be type safe.
(Note: Java exceptions are not errors!)

Correctness and completeness

Type soundness means that the type system is **sound/correct** w.r.t. the semantics:

*If the type system says yes,
the semantics does not lead to an error.*

The semantics is the primary definition,
the type system must be justified w.r.t. it.

How about **completeness**? Remember Rice:

*Nontrivial semantic properties of programs
(e.g. termination) are undecidable.*

Hence there is no (decidable) type system that accepts *all* programs that have a certain semantic property.

Automatic analysis of semantic program properties
is necessarily incomplete.

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Arithmetic

Values:

datatype $val = Iv\ int \mid Rv\ real$

The state:

$state = name \Rightarrow val$

Arithmetic expressions:

datatype $aexp =$
 $Ic\ int \mid Rc\ real \mid V\ name \mid Plus\ aexp\ aexp$

Why tagged values?

Because we want to detect if things “go wrong”.

What can go wrong? Adding integer and real!

No automatic coercions.

Does this mean any implementation of IMP also needs to tag values?

No! Compilers compile only well-typed programs, and well-typed programs do not need tags.

Tags are only used to detect certain errors and to prove that the type system avoids those errors.

Evaluation of *aexp*

Not recursively function but inductive predicate:

$taval :: aexp \Rightarrow state \Rightarrow val \Rightarrow bool$

$taval (Ic\ i)\ s\ (Iv\ i)$

$taval (Rc\ r)\ s\ (Rv\ r)$

$taval (V\ x)\ s\ (s\ x)$

$$\frac{taval\ a_1\ s\ (Iv\ i_1) \quad taval\ a_2\ s\ (Iv\ i_2)}{taval\ (Plus\ a_1\ a_2)\ s\ (Iv\ (i_1 + i_2))}$$
$$\frac{taval\ a_1\ s\ (Rv\ r_1) \quad taval\ a_2\ s\ (Rv\ r_2)}{taval\ (Plus\ a_1\ a_2)\ s\ (Rv\ (r_1 + r_2))}$$

Example: evaluation of $Plus (V 0) (Ic 1)$

If $s 0 = Iv i$:

$$\frac{taval (V 0) s (Iv i) \quad taval (Ic 1) s (Iv 1)}{taval (Plus (V 0) (Ic 1)) s (Iv(i + 1))}$$

If $s 0 = Rv r$: then there is *no* value v such that $taval (Plus (V 0) (Ic 1)) s v$.

The functional alternative

An extremely useful datatype:

datatype *'a option = None | Some 'a*

A “partial” function:

taval :: aexp ⇒ state ⇒ val option

Exercise!

Boolean expressions

Defined as usual.

$tbval :: bexp \Rightarrow state \Rightarrow bool \Rightarrow bool$

$$tbval (B bv) s bv \quad \frac{tbval b s bv}{tbval (Not b) s (\neg bv)}$$

$$\frac{tbval b_1 s bv_1 \quad tbval b_2 s bv_2}{tbval (And b_1 b_2) s (bv_1 \wedge bv_2)}$$

$$\frac{taval a_1 s (Iv i_1) \quad taval a_2 s (Iv i_2)}{tbval (Less a_1 a_2) s (i_1 < i_2)}$$

$$\frac{taval a_1 s (Rv r_1) \quad taval a_2 s (Rv r_2)}{tbval (Less a_1 a_2) s (r_1 < r_2)}$$

com: big or small steps?

We need to detect if things “go wrong”.

- Big step semantics:
Cannot model error by absence of final state.
Would confuse error and nontermination.
Could introduce an extra error-element, e.g.
big_step :: com × state ⇒ state option ⇒ bool
Complicates formalization.
- Small step semantics:
error = semantics gets stuck

Small step semantics

$$\frac{taval\ a\ s\ v}{(x ::= a, s) \rightarrow (SKIP, s(x := v))}$$

$$\frac{tbval\ b\ s\ True}{(IF\ b\ THEN\ c_1\ ELSE\ c_2, s) \rightarrow (c_1, s)}$$

$$\frac{tbval\ b\ s\ False}{(IF\ b\ THEN\ c_1\ ELSE\ c_2, s) \rightarrow (c_2, s)}$$

The other rules remain unchanged.

Example

Let $c = (x ::= Plus (V 0) (Ic 1))$.

- If $s 0 = Iv i : (c, s) \rightarrow (SKIP, s(x := Iv (i + 1)))$
- If $s 0 = Rv r : (c, s) \not\rightarrow$

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Type system

There are two types:

datatype $ty = Ity \mid Rty$

What is the type of $Plus (V 0) (V 1)$?

Depends on the type of $V 0$ and $V 1$!

A **type environment** maps variable names to their types:

$tyenv = name \Rightarrow ty$

The type of an expression is always *relative to / in the context of* a type environment Γ . Standard notation:

$$\Gamma \vdash e : \tau$$

The type of an *aexp*

$$\Gamma \vdash a : \tau$$
$$tyenv \vdash aexp : ty$$

The rules:

$$\Gamma \vdash Ic\ i : Ity$$

$$\Gamma \vdash Rc\ r : Rty$$

$$\Gamma \vdash V\ x : \Gamma\ x$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash a_1 : \tau \quad \Gamma \vdash a_2 : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash Plus\ a_1\ a_2 : \tau}$$

Example

$$\frac{\vdots}{\Gamma \vdash \text{Plus } (V \ 0) \ (\text{Plus } (V \ 0) \ (\text{Ic } 0)) : ?}$$

where $\Gamma \ 0 = \text{Ity}$.

Well-typed *bexp*

Notation:

$$\Gamma \vdash b$$
$$tyenv \vdash bexp$$

Read: In context Γ , b is well-typed.

The rules:

$$\Gamma \vdash B \text{ bv}$$
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash b}{\Gamma \vdash \text{Not } b}$$
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash b_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash b_2}{\Gamma \vdash \text{And } b_1 \ b_2}$$
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash a_1 : \tau \quad \Gamma \vdash a_2 : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash \text{Less } a_1 \ a_2}$$

Example: $\Gamma \vdash \text{Less } (\text{Ic } i) (\text{Rc } r)$

Well-typed commands

Notation:

$$\Gamma \vdash c$$
$$tyenv \vdash com$$

Read: In context Γ , c is well-typed.

The rules:

$$\Gamma \vdash \text{SKIP}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash a : \Gamma x}{\Gamma \vdash x ::= a}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash c_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash c_2}{\Gamma \vdash c_1; c_2}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash b \quad \Gamma \vdash c_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash c_2}{\Gamma \vdash \text{IF } b \text{ THEN } c_1 \text{ ELSE } c_2}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash b \quad \Gamma \vdash c}{\Gamma \vdash \text{WHILE } b \text{ DO } c}$$

Interlude: Rule formats

Let $P(t)$ be an inductively defined predicate (e.g. well-typedness) such that

- t is of some syntactic type (e.g. *aexp*),
i.e. some datatype, and
- the definition is executable,
i.e. the output (e.g. the type) is computable from
the input t by backchaining.

All our semantics and type systems have this property.

The definition of P is

- **syntax directed** if there is exactly one rule for each syntactic construct.

\implies no backtracking needed during execution

- **compositional** if $P(c\ t_1 \dots t_n)$ depends only on $P(t_1), \dots, P(t_n)$.

\implies execution always terminates (if the rules do not use other nonterminating predicates)

\implies A syntax directed, compositional definition of $P(t)$ allows execution in $|t|$ many backchaining steps.

$$\frac{A_1 \quad \dots \quad A_n}{B}$$

is invertible if

$$\frac{B}{A_1 \wedge \dots \wedge A_n}$$

also holds.

Which of our type systems consist only of invertible rules?

A syntax directed, compositional definition which consists only of invertible rules can be defined as a recursive function by considering each rule as an equation.

A recursive definition of $\Gamma \vdash c$

$\Gamma \vdash \text{SKIP}$	\longleftrightarrow	True
$\Gamma \vdash x ::= a$	\longleftrightarrow	$\Gamma \vdash a : \Gamma x$
$\Gamma \vdash c_1; c_2$	\longleftrightarrow	$\Gamma \vdash c_1 \wedge \Gamma \vdash c_2$
$\Gamma \vdash \text{IF } b \text{ THEN } c_1 \text{ ELSE } c_2$	\longleftrightarrow	$\Gamma \vdash b \wedge \Gamma \vdash c_1 \wedge \Gamma \vdash c_2$
$\Gamma \vdash \text{WHILE } b \text{ DO } c$	\longleftrightarrow	$\Gamma \vdash b \wedge \Gamma \vdash c$

Is easier to use than traditional inductive one.

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Well-typed states

Even well-typed programs can get stuck ...
... if they start in a bad state.

Remember:

If $s \neq r$ then $(x ::= Plus (V 0) (Ic 1), s) \not\rightarrow r$

The state must be well-typed w.r.t. Γ .

Frequent alternative terminology:

The state must **conform** to Γ .

The type of a value:

$$\text{type } (Iv\ i) = Ity$$

$$\text{type } (Rv\ r) = Rty$$

Well-typed state:

$$(\Gamma \vdash s) = (\forall x. \text{type } (s\ x) = \Gamma\ x)$$

Type soundness

Reduction cannot get stuck:

*If everything is ok ($\Gamma \vdash s, \Gamma \vdash c$),
and you take a finite number of steps,
and you have not reached SKIP,
then you can take one more step.*

Follows from [progress](#):

*If everything is ok and you have not reached SKIP,
then you can take one more step.*

and [preservation](#):

*If everything is ok and you take a step,
then everything is ok again.*

The slogan

Progress \wedge Preservation \implies Type safety

Progress Well-typed programs do not get stuck.

Preservation Well-typedness is preserved by reduction.

Preservation: Well-typedness is an *invariant*.

Progress:

$$\llbracket \Gamma \vdash c; \Gamma \vdash s; c \neq \text{SKIP} \rrbracket \implies \exists cs'. (c, s) \rightarrow cs'$$

Preservation:

$$\llbracket (c, s) \rightarrow (c', s'); \Gamma \vdash c; \Gamma \vdash s \rrbracket \implies \Gamma \vdash s'$$

$$\llbracket (c, s) \rightarrow (c', s'); \Gamma \vdash c \rrbracket \implies \Gamma \vdash c'$$

Type soundness:

$$\llbracket (c, s) \rightarrow^* (c', s'); \Gamma \vdash c; \Gamma \vdash s; c' \neq \text{SKIP} \rrbracket \\ \implies \exists cs''. (c', s') \rightarrow cs''$$

bexp

Progress:

$$\llbracket \Gamma \vdash b; \Gamma \vdash s \rrbracket \implies \exists v. \text{tbval } b \text{ } s \text{ } v$$

Progress:

$$\llbracket \Gamma \vdash a : \tau; \Gamma \vdash s \rrbracket \Longrightarrow \exists v. \textit{taval } a \ s \ v$$

Preservation:

$$\llbracket \Gamma \vdash a : \tau; \textit{taval } a \ s \ v; \Gamma \vdash s \rrbracket \Longrightarrow \textit{type } v = \tau$$

All proofs by rule induction.

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The mantra

Type systems have a purpose:

*The static analysis of programs
in order to predict their runtime behaviour.*

The correctness of the prediction must be provable.

Part V

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Each local variable must have a definitely assigned value when any access of its value occurs. A compiler must carry out a specific conservative flow analysis to make sure that, for every access of a local variable x , x is definitely assigned before the access; otherwise a compile-time error must occur.

Java Language Specification

Java was the first language to force programmers to initialize their variables.

Java versus IMP:

- Java has local variables and parameters; parameters are always initialized.
- IMP: we assume that certain variables are initialized before the program starts.

Examples: ok or not?

Assume x is initialized and $x \neq y$.

IF Less (V x) (N 1) THEN y ::= V x
ELSE y ::= Plus (V x) (N 1);
y ::= Plus (V y) (N 1)

IF Less (V x) (V x) THEN y ::= Plus (V y) (N 1)
ELSE y ::= V x

Assume x and y are initialized and *distinct* $[x, y, z]$:

WHILE Less (V x) (V y) DO z ::= V x;
z ::= Plus (V z) (N 1)

Simplifying principle

We do not analyze boolean expressions to determine program execution.

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Prelude: Variables in Expressions

Definite Assignment Analysis

Initialization Sensitive Semantics

Theory *Vars* provides an overloaded function *vars*:

vars :: *aexp* \Rightarrow *name set*

vars (*N* *n*) = \emptyset

vars (*V* *x*) = $\{x\}$

vars (*Plus* *a*₁ *a*₂) = *vars* *a*₁ \cup *vars* *a*₂

vars :: *bexp* \Rightarrow *name set*

vars (*B* *bv*) = \emptyset

vars (*Not* *b*) = *vars* *b*

vars (*And* *b*₁ *b*₂) = *vars* *b*₁ \cup *vars* *b*₂

vars (*Less* *a*₁ *a*₂) = *vars* *a*₁ \cup *vars* *a*₂

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Initialization Sensitive Semantics

Modified example from the JLS:

*Variable x is definitely assigned after SKIP
iff x is definitely assigned before SKIP.*

Similar statements for each each language construct.

$D :: \text{name set} \Rightarrow \text{com} \Rightarrow \text{name set} \Rightarrow \text{bool}$

$D A c A'$ should imply:

*If all variables in A are initialized before c is executed,
then no uninitialized variable is accessed during execution,
and all variables in A' are initialized afterwards.*

$$\begin{array}{c}
D A \text{ SKIP } A \\
\text{vars } a \subseteq A \\
\hline
D A (x ::= a) (\{x\} \cup A) \\
D A_1 c_1 A_2 \quad D A_2 c_2 A_3 \\
\hline
D A_1 (c_1; c_2) A_3 \\
\text{vars } b \subseteq A \quad D A c_1 A_1 \quad D A c_2 A_2 \\
\hline
D A (\text{IF } b \text{ THEN } c_1 \text{ ELSE } c_2) (A_1 \cap A_2) \\
\text{vars } b \subseteq A \quad D A c A' \\
\hline
D A (\text{WHILE } b \text{ DO } c) A
\end{array}$$

Correctness of D

- Things can go wrong:
execution may access uninitialized variable.
 \implies We need a new, finer grained semantics.
- Big step semantics:
semantics longer, correctness proof shorter
- Small step semantics:
semantics shorter, correctness proof longer

For variety's sake, we choose a big step semantics.

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state = name \Rightarrow nat option

where

datatype *'a option = None | Some 'a*

Notation: *s(x \mapsto y)* means *s(x := Some y)*

Definition: *dom s = {a | s a \neq None}*

Expression evaluation

aval :: *aexp* \Rightarrow *state* \Rightarrow *val option*

aval (*N i*) *s* = *Some i*

aval (*V x*) *s* = *s x*

aval (*Plus a₁ a₂*) *s* =
(*case* (*aval a₁ s*, *aval a₂ s*) *of*
 (*Some i₁*, *Some i₂*) \Rightarrow *Some(i₁+i₂)*)
 | _ \Rightarrow *None*)

bval :: bexp \Rightarrow state \Rightarrow bool option

bval (B bv) s = Some bv

bval (Not b) s =

(case bval b s of None \Rightarrow None
| Some bv \Rightarrow Some (\neg bv))

bval (And b₁ b₂) s =

(case (bval b₁ s, bval b₂ s) of
(Some bv₁, Some bv₂) \Rightarrow Some(bv₁ \wedge bv₂)
| _ \Rightarrow None)

bval (Less a₁ a₂) s =

(case (aval a₁ s, aval a₂ s) of
(Some i₁, Some i₂) \Rightarrow Some(i₁ < i₂)
| _ \Rightarrow None)

Big step semantics

$$(com, state) \Rightarrow state\ option$$

A small complication:

$$\frac{(c_1, s_1) \Rightarrow Some\ s_2 \quad (c_2, s_2) \Rightarrow s}{(c_1; c_2, s_1) \Rightarrow s}$$
$$\frac{(c_1, s_1) \Rightarrow None}{(c_1; c_2, s_1) \Rightarrow None}$$

More convenient, because compositional:

$$(com, state\ option) \Rightarrow state\ option$$

Error (*None*) propagates:

$$(c, \text{None}) \Rightarrow \text{None}$$

Execution starting in (mostly) normal states (*Some s*):

$$(\text{SKIP}, s) \Rightarrow s$$

$$\text{aval } a \text{ } s = \text{Some } i$$

$$\frac{\text{aval } a \text{ } s = \text{Some } i}{(x ::= a, \text{Some } s) \Rightarrow \text{Some } (s(x \mapsto i))}$$

$$\text{aval } a \text{ } s = \text{None}$$

$$\frac{\text{aval } a \text{ } s = \text{None}}{(x ::= a, \text{Some } s) \Rightarrow \text{None}}$$

$$\frac{(c_1, s_1) \Rightarrow s_2 \quad (c_2, s_2) \Rightarrow s_3}{(c_1; c_2, s_1) \Rightarrow s_3}$$

$$\frac{\text{bval } b \text{ } s = \text{Some True} \quad (c_1, \text{Some } s) \Rightarrow s'}{\text{(IF } b \text{ THEN } c_1 \text{ ELSE } c_2, \text{Some } s) \Rightarrow s'}$$

$$\frac{\text{bval } b \text{ } s = \text{Some False} \quad (c_2, \text{Some } s) \Rightarrow s'}{\text{(IF } b \text{ THEN } c_1 \text{ ELSE } c_2, \text{Some } s) \Rightarrow s'}$$

$$\frac{\text{bval } b \text{ } s = \text{None}}{\text{(IF } b \text{ THEN } c_1 \text{ ELSE } c_2, \text{Some } s) \Rightarrow \text{None}}$$

$$\frac{bval\ b\ s = Some\ False}{(WHILE\ b\ DO\ c,\ Some\ s) \Rightarrow Some\ s}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} bval\ b\ s = Some\ True \\ (c,\ Some\ s) \Rightarrow s' \quad (WHILE\ b\ DO\ c,\ s') \Rightarrow s'' \end{array}}{(WHILE\ b\ DO\ c,\ Some\ s) \Rightarrow s''}$$

$$\frac{bval\ b\ s = None}{(WHILE\ b\ DO\ c,\ Some\ s) \Rightarrow None}$$

Correctness of D w.r.t. \Rightarrow

We want in the end:

Well-initialized programs cannot go wrong.

*If $D (dom\ s) c\ A'$ and $(c, Some\ s) \Rightarrow s'$
then $s' \neq None$.*

We need to prove a generalized statement:

*If $(c, Some\ s) \Rightarrow s'$ and $D\ A\ c\ A'$ and $A \subseteq dom\ s$
then $\exists t. s' = Some\ t \wedge A' \subseteq dom\ t$.*

By rule induction on $(c, Some\ s) \Rightarrow s'$.

Proof needs some easy lemmas:

$$\text{vars } a \subseteq \text{dom } s \implies \exists i. \text{aval } a \text{ } s = \text{Some } i$$

$$\text{vars } b \subseteq \text{dom } s \implies \exists bv. \text{bval } b \text{ } s = \text{Some } bv$$

$$D \ A \ c \ A' \implies A \subseteq A'$$

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Motivation

Consider the following program (where $x \neq y$):

$x ::= Plus (V y) (N 1);$

$y ::= N 5;$

$x ::= Plus (V y) (N 3)$


The first assignment is redundant and can be removed because x is **dead** at that point.


Semantically, a variable x is live before command c if the initial value of x can influence the final state.

As a sufficient condition, we call x live before c if there is some potential execution of c where x is read before it is (possibly) written. Implicitly, every variable is read at the end of c .

Examples: Is x initially dead or live?

$x ::= N 0$ 

$y ::= V x; y ::= N 0; x ::= N 0$ 

$WHILE\ b\ DO\ y ::= V x; x ::= N 1$ 

At the end of a command, we may be interested in the value of *only some of the variables*, e.g. *only the global variables* at the end of a procedure.

Then we say that x is live before c **relative to** the set of variables X .

Liveness analysis

$L :: com \Rightarrow name\ set \Rightarrow name\ set$

$L\ c\ X =$ live before c relative to X

$L\ SKIP\ X = X$

$L\ (x ::= a)\ X = X - \{x\} \cup vars\ a$

$L\ (c_1; c_2)\ X = (L\ c_1 \circ L\ c_2)\ X$

$L\ (IF\ b\ THEN\ c_1\ ELSE\ c_2)\ X =$
 $vars\ b \cup L\ c_1\ X \cup L\ c_2\ X$

$L\ (WHILE\ b\ DO\ c)\ X = vars\ b \cup X \cup L\ c\ X$

Examples:

$L\ (1 ::= V\ 2; 0 ::= Plus\ (V\ 1)\ (V\ 2))\ \{0\} = \{2\}$

$L\ (WHILE\ Less\ (V\ 0)\ (V\ 0)\ DO\ 1 ::= V\ 2)\ \{0\} = \{0, 2\}$

Gen/kill analyses

A data-flow analysis $A :: com \Rightarrow T\ set \Rightarrow T\ set$
is called **gen/kill analysis**

if there are functions *gen* and *kill* such that

$$A\ c\ X = X - kill\ c \cup gen\ c$$

Gen/kill analyses are extremely well-behaved, e.g.

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 \subseteq X_2 &\implies A\ c\ X_1 \subseteq A\ c\ X_2 \\ A\ c\ (X_1 \cap X_2) &= A\ c\ X_1 \cap A\ c\ X_2 \end{aligned}$$

All the “standard” data-flow analyses are gen/kill.
In particular liveness analysis.

Liveness via gen/kill

kill :: *com* \Rightarrow *name set*

kill *SKIP* = \emptyset

kill (*x* ::= *a*) = $\{x\}$

kill (*c*₁; *c*₂) = *kill* *c*₁ \cup *kill* *c*₂

kill (*IF* *b* *THEN* *c*₁ *ELSE* *c*₂) = *kill* *c*₁ \cap *kill* *c*₂

kill (*WHILE* *b* *DO* *c*) = \emptyset

gen :: *com* \Rightarrow *name set*

gen *SKIP* = \emptyset

gen (*x ::= a*) = *vars a*

gen (*c*₁; *c*₂) = *gen c*₁ \cup (*gen c*₂ - *kill c*₁)

gen (*IF b THEN c*₁ *ELSE c*₂) =
vars b \cup *gen c*₁ \cup *gen c*₂

gen (*WHILE b DO c*) = *vars b* \cup *gen c*

$$L\ c\ X = X - \textit{kill}\ c \cup \textit{gen}\ c$$

Proof by induction on c .

An easy but important consequence for later:

$$L\ c\ (L\ w\ X) \subseteq L\ w\ X \text{ where } w = \textit{WHILE}\ b\ \textit{DO}\ c$$

Do not try to prove this from the original definition of L !

Definite assignment via gen/kill

$A\ c\ X$: the set of variables initialized after c
if X was initialized before c

How to obtain $A\ c\ X = X - kill\ c \cup gen\ c$:

$$\begin{aligned} gen\ SKIP &= \emptyset \\ gen\ (x ::= a) &= \{x\} \\ gen\ (c_1; c_2) &= gen\ c_1 \cup gen\ c_2 \\ gen\ (IF\ b\ THEN\ c_1\ ELSE\ c_2) &= gen\ c_1 \cap gen\ c_2 \\ gen\ (WHILE\ b\ DO\ c) &= \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

$$kill\ c = \emptyset$$

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Dead Variable Elimination

Comparisons

$(\cdot, \cdot) \Rightarrow \cdot$ and L should roughly be related like this:

*The value of the final state on X
only depends on
the value of the initial state on $L \subset X$.*

Put differently:

*If two initial states agree on $L \subset X$
then the corresponding final states agree on X .*

Equality on

An abbreviation:

$$f = g \text{ on } X \equiv \forall x \in X. f x = g x$$

Two easy theorems (in theory *Vars*):

$$s_1 = s_2 \text{ on vars } a \implies \text{aval } a \ s_1 = \text{aval } a \ s_2$$

$$s_1 = s_2 \text{ on vars } b \implies \text{bval } b \ s_1 = \text{bval } b \ s_2$$

Soundness of L

*If $(c, s) \Rightarrow s'$ and $s = t$ on $L c X$
then $\exists t'. (c, t) \Rightarrow t' \wedge s' = t'$ on X .*

Proof by rule induction

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Bury all assignments to dead variables:

bury :: *com* \Rightarrow *name set* \Rightarrow *com*

bury *SKIP* *X* = *SKIP*

bury (*x* ::= *a*) *X* = *if* $x \in X$ *then* *x* ::= *a* *else* *SKIP*

bury (*c*₁; *c*₂) *X* = *bury* *c*₁ (*L c*₂ *X*); *bury* *c*₂ *X*

bury (*IF* *b* *THEN* *c*₁ *ELSE* *c*₂) *X* =
IF *b* *THEN* *bury* *c*₁ *X* *ELSE* *bury* *c*₂ *X*

bury (*WHILE* *b* *DO* *c*) *X* =
WHILE *b* *DO* *bury* *c* (*vars* $b \cup X \cup L c X$)

Soundness of *bury*

$$(bury\ c\ UNIV,\ s) \Rightarrow s' \iff (c,\ s) \Rightarrow s'$$

where *UNIV* is the set of all variables.

The two directions need to be proved separately.

$$(c, s) \Rightarrow s' \implies (\text{bury } c \text{ UNIV}, s) \Rightarrow s'$$

Follows from generalized statement:

*If $(c, s) \Rightarrow s'$ and $s = t$ on $L \ c \ X$
then $\exists t'. (\text{bury } c \ X, t) \Rightarrow t' \wedge s' = t'$ on X .*

Proof by rule induction, like for soundness of L .

$$(bury\ c\ UNIV, s) \Rightarrow s' \implies (c, s) \Rightarrow s'$$

Follows from generalized statement:

*If $(bury\ c\ X, s) \Rightarrow s'$ and $s = t$ on $L\ c\ X$
then $\exists t'. (c, t) \Rightarrow t' \wedge s' = t'$ on X .*

Proof very similar to other direction, but needs inversion lemmas for *bury* for every kind of command, e.g.

$$(bc_1; bc_2 = bury\ c\ X) =$$

$$(\exists c_1\ c_2.$$

$$c = c_1; c_2 \wedge$$

$$bc_2 = bury\ c_2\ X \wedge bc_1 = bury\ c_1\ (L\ c_2\ X))$$

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Comparison of analyses

- Definite assignment analysis is a **forward must analysis**:
 - it analyses the executions starting from some point,
 - variables *must* be assigned (on every program path) before they are used.
- Live variable analysis is a **backward may analysis**:
 - it analyses the executions ending in some point,
 - live variables *may* be used (on some program path) before they are assigned.

Comparison of DFA frameworks

Program representation:

- Traditionally (e.g. Aho/Sethi/Ullman), DFA is performed on *control flow graphs* (CFGs).
Application: optimization of intermediate or low-level code.
- We analyse structured programs.
Application: source-level program optimization.

Algorithm:

- Gen/kill analyses on arbitrary CFGs may require a finite number of iterations before a (least or greatest) solution is reached.
- Gen/kill analyses of structured programs do not require iterations.

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The aim:

Ensure that programs protect private data like passwords, bank details, or medical records. There should be no information flow from private data into public channels.

This is know as [information flow control](#).

Language based security is an approach to information flow control where data flow analysis is used to determine whether a program is free of illicit information flows.

LBS guarantees confidentiality by program analysis, not by cryptography.

These analyses are often expressed as type systems.

Security levels

- Program variables have *security/confidentiality levels*.
- Security levels are partially ordered:
 $l < l'$ means that l is less confidential than l' .
- We identify security levels with *nat*.
Level 0 is public.
- Other popular choices for security levels:
 - only two levels, *high* and *low*.
 - the set of security levels is a lattice.

Two kinds of illicit flows

Explicit: `low := high`

Implicit: `if high1 = high2 then low := 1
else low := 0`

Noninterference

High variables do not interfere with low ones.

A variation of confidential input does not cause a variation of public output.

Program c guarantees **noninterference** iff for all s_1, s_2 :

*If s_1 and s_2 agree on low variables
(but may differ on high variables!),
then the states resulting from executing (c, s_1)
and (c, s_2) must also agree on low variables.*

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Security levels:

types $level = nat$

Every variable has a security level:

$sec :: name \Rightarrow level$

No definition is needed. Except for examples.
Hence we define (arbitrarily)

$sec\ n = n$

The security level of an expression is the maximal security level of any of its variables.

sec :: *aexp* \Rightarrow *level*

$$\textit{sec} (N\ n) = 0$$

$$\textit{sec} (V\ x) = \textit{sec}\ x$$

$$\textit{sec} (\textit{Plus}\ a_1\ a_2) = \max (\textit{sec}\ a_1)\ (\textit{sec}\ a_2)$$

sec :: *bexp* \Rightarrow *level*

$$\textit{sec} (B\ bv) = 0$$

$$\textit{sec} (\textit{Not}\ b) = \textit{sec}\ b$$

$$\textit{sec} (\textit{And}\ b_1\ b_2) = \max (\textit{sec}\ b_1)\ (\textit{sec}\ b_2)$$

$$\textit{sec} (\textit{Less}\ a_1\ a_2) = \max (\textit{sec}\ a_1)\ (\textit{sec}\ a_2)$$

Agreement of states up to a certain level:

$$s_1 = s_2 (\leq l) \equiv \forall x. \text{sec } x \leq l \longrightarrow s_1 x = s_2 x$$

$$s_1 = s_2 (< l) \equiv \forall x. \text{sec } x < l \longrightarrow s_1 x = s_2 x$$

Noninterference for expressions:

$$\llbracket s_1 = s_2 (\leq l); \text{sec } a \leq l \rrbracket \Longrightarrow \text{aval } a s_1 = \text{aval } a s_2$$

$$\llbracket s_1 = s_2 (\leq l); \text{sec } b \leq l \rrbracket \Longrightarrow \text{bval } b s_1 = \text{bval } b s_2$$

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Explicit flows are easy. How to check for implicit flows:

Carry the security level of the boolean expressions around that guard the current command.

The well-typedness predicate:

$$l \vdash c$$

Intended meaning:

“In the context of boolean expressions of level $\leq l$, command c is well-typed.”

Hence:

“Assignments to variables of level $< l$ are forbidden.”

Well-typed or not?

$0 \vdash \text{IF Less } (V\ 0) (V\ 1) \text{ THEN } 1 ::= N\ 0 \text{ ELSE SKIP}$

$1 \vdash \text{IF Less } (V\ 0) (V\ 1) \text{ THEN } 1 ::= N\ 0 \text{ ELSE SKIP}$

$2 \vdash \text{IF Less } (V\ 0) (V\ 1) \text{ THEN } 1 ::= N\ 0 \text{ ELSE SKIP}$

The type system

$$l \vdash \text{SKIP}$$
$$\frac{\text{sec } a \leq \text{sec } x \quad l \leq \text{sec } x}{l \vdash x ::= a}$$
$$\frac{l \vdash c_1 \quad l \vdash c_2}{l \vdash c_1; c_2}$$
$$\frac{\text{max}(\text{sec } b) l \vdash c_1 \quad \text{max}(\text{sec } b) l \vdash c_2}{l \vdash \text{IF } b \text{ THEN } c_1 \text{ ELSE } c_2}$$
$$\frac{\text{max}(\text{sec } b) l \vdash c}{l \vdash \text{WHILE } b \text{ DO } c}$$

Remark:

$l \vdash c$ is syntax-directed and executable.

Anti-monotonicity

$$\frac{l \vdash c \quad l' \leq l}{l' \vdash c}$$

Proof by ... as usual.

This is often called a **subsumption rule** because it says that larger levels subsume smaller ones.

Confinement

If $l \vdash c$ then c cannot modify variables of level $< l$:

$$\frac{(c, s) \Rightarrow t \quad l \vdash c}{s = t (< l)}$$

The effect of c is *confined* to variables of level $\geq l$.

Proof by ... as usual.

Noninterference

$$\frac{(c, s) \Rightarrow s' \quad (c, t) \Rightarrow t' \quad 0 \vdash c \quad s = t (\leq l)}{s' = t' (\leq l)}$$

Proof by ... as usual.

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The $l \vdash c$ system is intuitive and executable

- but in the literature a more elegant formulation is dominant
- which does not need *max*
- and works for arbitrary partial orders.

This alternative system $l \vdash' c$ has an explicit subsumption rule

$$\frac{l \vdash' c \quad l' \leq l}{l' \vdash' c}$$

together with one rule per construct:

$l \vdash' \text{SKIP}$

$$\frac{\text{sec } a \leq \text{sec } x \quad l \leq \text{sec } x}{l \vdash' x ::= a}$$
$$\frac{l \vdash' c_1 \quad l \vdash' c_2}{l \vdash' c_1; c_2}$$
$$\frac{\text{sec } b \leq l \quad l \vdash' c_1 \quad l \vdash' c_2}{l \vdash' \text{IF } b \text{ THEN } c_1 \text{ ELSE } c_2}$$
$$\frac{\text{sec } b \leq l \quad l \vdash' c}{l \vdash' \text{WHILE } b \text{ DO } c}$$

- The subsumption-based system \vdash' is neither syntax-directed nor directly executable.
- One needs to guess where to use a subsumption rule in the derivation.

Equivalence of \vdash and \vdash'

$$l \vdash c \implies l \vdash' c$$

Proof by induction.

Use subsumption directly below *IF* and *WHILE*.

$$l \vdash' c \implies l \vdash c$$

Proof by induction. Subsumption already a lemma for \vdash .

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- Systems $l \vdash c$ and $l \vdash' c$ are *top-down*:
level l comes from the context
and is checked at $::=$ commands.
- System $\vdash c : l$ is *bottom-up*:
 l is the minimal level of any variable assigned in c
and is checked at *IF* and *WHILE* commands.

$$\vdash \text{SKIP} : l$$
$$\frac{\text{sec } a \leq \text{sec } x}{\vdash x ::= a : \text{sec } x}$$
$$\frac{\vdash c_1 : l_1 \quad \vdash c_2 : l_2}{\vdash c_1; c_2 : \min l_1 l_2}$$
$$\frac{\text{sec } b \leq \min l_1 l_2 \quad \vdash c_1 : l_1 \quad \vdash c_2 : l_2}{\vdash \text{IF } b \text{ THEN } c_1 \text{ ELSE } c_2 : \min l_1 l_2}$$
$$\frac{\text{sec } b \leq l \quad \vdash c : l}{\vdash \text{WHILE } b \text{ DO } c : l}$$

Equivalence of $\vdash :$ and \vdash'

$$\vdash c : l \implies l \vdash' c$$

Proof by induction.

$$l \vdash' c \implies \vdash c : l$$

Nitpick says: $0 \vdash' 1 ::= N 1$ but not $\vdash 1 ::= N 1 : 0$

$$l \vdash' c \implies \exists l' \geq l. \vdash c : l'$$

Proof by induction.

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Does noninterference really guarantee
absence of information flow?

$$\frac{(c, s) \Rightarrow s' \quad (c, t) \Rightarrow t' \quad 0 \vdash c \quad s = t (\leq l)}{s' = t' (\leq l)}$$

Beware of covert channels!

$0 \vdash \text{WHILE Less } (V \ 1) \ (N \ 1) \ \text{DO SKIP}$

A drastic solution:

WHILE-conditions must not depend on
confidential data.

New typing rule:

$$\frac{\text{sec } b = 0 \quad 0 \vdash c}{0 \vdash \text{WHILE } b \text{ DO } c}$$

Now provable:

$$\frac{(c, s) \Rightarrow s' \quad 0 \vdash c \quad s = t (\leq l)}{\exists t'. (c, t) \Rightarrow t' \wedge s' = t' (\leq l)}$$

Further extensions

- Time
- Probability
- Quantitative analysis
- More programming language features:
 - exceptions
 - concurrency
 - OO
 - ...

Literature

The inventors of security type systems are Volpano and Smith.

For an excellent survey see

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Soundness and Completeness

We have proved functional programs correct
(e.g. a compiler).

We have proved properties of imperative languages
(e.g. type safety).

But how do we prove properties of imperative programs?

An example program:

$0 ::= N\ 0; 1 ::= N\ 0; w\ n$

where

$w\ n \equiv$
 $WHILE\ Less\ (V\ 1)\ (N\ n)$
 $DO\ (1 ::= Plus\ (V\ 1)\ (N\ 1);$
 $0 ::= Plus\ (V\ 0)\ (V\ 1))$

At the end of the execution,
variable 0 should contain the sum $1 + \dots + n$.

A proof via operational semantics

Theorem:

$$(0 ::= N 0; 1 ::= N 0; w n, s) \Rightarrow t \Longrightarrow \\ t 0 = \sum \{1..n\}$$

Required Lemma:

$$(w n, s) \Rightarrow t \Longrightarrow \\ t 0 = s 0 + \sum \{s 1 + 1..n\}$$

Proved by induction.

Hoare Logic provides a *structured* approach for reasoning about properties of states during program execution:

- Rules of Hoare Logic (almost) syntax directed
- Automates reasoning about program execution
- No explicit induction

But no free lunch:

- Must prove implications between predicates on states
- Needs *invariants*.

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Soundness and Completeness

This is the standard approach.

Formulas are syntactic objects.

Everything is very concrete and simple.

But complex to formalize.

Hence we soon move to a semantic view of formulas.

Reason for introduction of syntactic approach: didactic

For now, we work with a (syntactically) simplified version of IMP.

Hoare Logic reasons about **Hoare triples** $\{P\} c \{Q\}$
where

- P and Q are *syntactic formulas* involving program variables
- P is the **precondition**, Q is the **postcondition**
- $\{P\} c \{Q\}$ means that
if P is true at the start of the execution,
 Q is true at the end of the execution
— if the execution terminates! (**partial correctness**)

Informal example:

$$\{x = 41\} x := x + 1 \{x = 42\}$$

Terminology: P and Q are called **assertions**.

Examples

$\{x = 5\}$? $\{x = 10\}$

$\{True\}$? $\{x = 10\}$

$\{x = y\}$? $\{x \neq y\}$

Boundary cases:

$\{True\}$? $\{True\}$

$\{True\}$? $\{False\}$

$\{False\}$? $\{Q\}$

The rules of Hoare Logic

$$\{P\} \text{ SKIP } \{P\}$$

$$\{Q[a/x]\} x := a \{Q\}$$

Notation: $Q[a/x]$ means “ Q with a substituted for x ”.

Examples:

$$\begin{array}{l} \{ \quad \} x := 5 \quad \{x = 5\} \\ \{ \quad \} x := x+5 \quad \{x = 5\} \\ \{ \quad \} x := 2*(x+5) \quad \{x > 20\} \end{array}$$

Intuitive explanation of backward-looking rule:

$$\{Q[a]\} x := a \{Q[x]\}$$

Afterwards we can replace all occurrences of a in Q by x .

The assignment axiom allows us to compute the precondition from the postcondition.

There is a version to compute the postcondition from the precondition, but it is more complicated. (Exercise!)

More rules of Hoare Logic

$$\frac{\{P_1\} c_1 \{P_2\} \quad \{P_2\} c_2 \{P_3\}}{\{P_1\} c_1; c_2 \{P_3\}}$$

$$\frac{\{P \wedge b\} c_1 \{Q\} \quad \{P \wedge \neg b\} c_2 \{Q\}}{\{P\} \text{ IF } b \text{ THEN } c_1 \text{ ELSE } c_2 \{Q\}}$$

$$\frac{\{P \wedge b\} c \{P\}}{\{P\} \text{ WHILE } b \text{ DO } c \{P \wedge \neg b\}}$$

In the While-rule, P is called an **invariant** because it is preserved across executions of the loop body.

The consequence rule

So far, the rules were syntax-directed. Now we add

$$\frac{P' \longrightarrow P \quad \{P\} c \{Q\} \quad Q \longrightarrow Q'}{\{P'\} c \{Q'\}}$$

*Preconditions can be strengthened,
postconditions can be weakened.*

Two derived rules

Problem with assignment and While-rule:
special form of pre and postcondition.
Better: combine with consequence rule.

$$\frac{P \longrightarrow Q[a/x]}{\{P\} x := a \{Q\}}$$

$$\frac{\{P \wedge b\} c \{P\} \quad P \wedge \neg b \longrightarrow Q}{\{P\} \text{ WHILE } b \text{ DO } c \{Q\}}$$

Example

$\{True\}$

$x := 0; y := 0;$

$WHILE\ y < n\ DO\ (y := y+1; x := x+y)$

$\{x = \sum \{1..n\}\}$

Example proof exhibits key properties of Hoare logic:

- Choice of rules is syntax-directed and hence automatic.
- Proof of “;” proceeds from right to left.
- Proofs require only invariants and arithmetic reasoning.

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Assertions are predicates on states

$$assn = state \Rightarrow bool$$

Alternative view: *sets of states*

Semantic approach simplifies meta-theory, our main objective.

Validity

$$\models \{P\} c \{Q\}$$

$$\longleftrightarrow$$

$$\forall s t. (c, s) \Rightarrow t \longrightarrow P \quad s \longrightarrow Q \quad t$$

“ $\{P\} c \{Q\}$ is valid”

In contrast:

$$\vdash \{P\} c \{Q\}$$

“ $\{P\} c \{Q\}$ is provable/derivable”

Provability

$$\vdash \{P\} \text{ SKIP } \{P\}$$

$$\vdash \{\lambda s. Q (s[a/x])\} x ::= a \{Q\}$$

$$\text{where } s[a/x] \equiv s(x := \text{aval } a \ s)$$

Example: $\{5 = 5\} x ::= 5 \{x = 5\}$ in semantic terms:

$$\vdash \{P\} 0 ::= N \ 5 \ \{\lambda s. s \ 0 = 5\}$$

$$\text{where } P = (\lambda s. (s[N \ 5/0]) \ 0 = 5) = (\lambda s. 5 = 5)$$

$$\frac{\vdash \{P\} c_1 \{Q\} \quad \vdash \{Q\} c_2 \{R\}}{\vdash \{P\} c_1; c_2 \{R\}}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \vdash \{\lambda s. P s \wedge bval b s\} c_1 \{Q\} \\ \vdash \{\lambda s. P s \wedge \neg bval b s\} c_2 \{Q\} \end{array}}{\vdash \{P\} \text{ IF } b \text{ THEN } c_1 \text{ ELSE } c_2 \{Q\}}$$

$$\frac{\vdash \{\lambda s. P s \wedge bval b s\} c \{P\}}{\vdash \{P\} \text{ WHILE } b \text{ DO } c \{\lambda s. P s \wedge \neg bval b s\}}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \forall s. P' s \longrightarrow P s \\ \vdash \{P\} c \{Q\} \\ \forall s. Q s \longrightarrow Q' s \end{array}}{\vdash \{P'\} c \{Q'\}}$$

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Soundness

Everything that is provable is valid:

$$\vdash \{P\} c \{Q\} \implies \models \{P\} c \{Q\}$$

Proof by induction, with a nested induction in the While-case.

Towards completeness: $\models \Rightarrow \vdash$

Weakest preconditions

The **weakest precondition**

of command c w.r.t. postcondition Q :

$$wp\ c\ Q = (\lambda s. \forall t. (c, s) \Rightarrow t \longrightarrow Q\ t)$$

The set of states that lead (via c) into Q .

A foundational semantic notion, not merely for the completeness proof.

Nice and easy properties of wp

$$wp \text{ SKIP } Q = Q$$

$$wp (x ::= a) Q = (\lambda s. Q (s[a/x]))$$

$$wp (c_1; c_2) Q = wp c_1 (wp c_2 Q)$$

$$wp (\text{IF } b \text{ THEN } c_1 \text{ ELSE } c_2) Q = \\ (\lambda s. (bval b s \longrightarrow wp c_1 Q s) \wedge \\ (\neg bval b s \longrightarrow wp c_2 Q s))$$

$$\neg bval b s \implies wp (\text{WHILE } b \text{ DO } c) Q s = Q s$$

$$bval b s \implies$$

$$wp (\text{WHILE } b \text{ DO } c) Q s =$$

$$wp (c; \text{WHILE } b \text{ DO } c) Q s$$

Completeness

$$\models \{P\} c \{Q\} \implies \vdash \{P\} c \{Q\}$$

Follows easily if we can prove

$$\vdash \{wp \ c \ Q\} c \{Q\}$$

Proof by induction on c , for arbitrary Q .

Proving program properties by Hoare logic (\vdash)
is just as powerful as by operational semantics (\models).

WARNING

Most texts that discuss completeness of Hoare logic state or prove that Hoare logic is only “relatively complete” but **not complete**.

Reason: the standard notion of completeness assumes some abstract mathematical notion of \models .

Our notion of \models is defined within the same (limited) proof system (for HOL) as \vdash .

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Idea:

*Reduce provability in Hoare logic to provability in the assertion language:
automate the Hoare logic part of the problem.*

More precisely:

*Generate an assertion C , the **verification condition**, from $\{P\} c \{Q\}$ such that*
$$\vdash \{P\} c \{Q\} \text{ iff } C \text{ is provable.}$$

Method:

Simulate syntax-directed application of Hoare logic rules. Collect all assertion language side conditions.

A problem: loop invariants

Where do they come from?

A trivial solution:

Let the user provide them!

How?

Each loop must be annotated with its invariant!

How to synthesize loop invariants automatically
is a difficult research problem.

Which we ignore here.

Terminology:

VCG = Verification Condition Generator

All successful verification technology for imperative programs relies on

- VCGs (of one kind or another)
- and powerful (semi-)automatic theorem provers.

The (approx.) plan of attack

- 1 Introduce **annotated** commands with loop invariants
- 2 Define functions for *computing*
 - weakest preconditions: $pre :: com \Rightarrow assn \Rightarrow assn$
 - verification conditions: $vc :: com \Rightarrow assn \Rightarrow assn$
- 3 Soundness: $vc\ c\ Q \implies \vdash \{ ? \}\ c\ \{ Q \}$
- 4 Completeness: if $\vdash \{ P \}\ c\ \{ Q \}$ then c can be annotated (becoming c') such that $vc\ c'\ Q$.

The details are a bit different ...

Annotated commands

Like commands ...

datatype *acom* = *Askip*
| *Aassign name aexp*
| *Asemi acom acom*
| *Aif bexp acom acom*
| *Awhile bexp *assn* acom*

... but with an assertion *I* in *Awhile b I c*.

Example:

*Awhile (Less (V 1) (N 5))
(λs. s 1 = 0)
(Aassign 1 (N 1))*

Weakest precondition

$pre :: acom \Rightarrow assn \Rightarrow assn$

$pre \text{ Askip } Q = Q$

$pre \text{ Aassign } x \ a \ Q = (\lambda s. Q \ (s[a/x]))$

$pre \text{ Asemi } c_1 \ c_2 \ Q = pre \ c_1 \ (pre \ c_2 \ Q)$

$pre \text{ Aif } b \ c_1 \ c_2 \ Q =$
 $(\lambda s. (bval \ b \ s \longrightarrow pre \ c_1 \ Q \ s) \wedge$
 $(\neg \ bval \ b \ s \longrightarrow pre \ c_2 \ Q \ s))$

$pre \text{ Awhile } b \ I \ c \ Q = I$

Warning

In the presence of loops,
pre c may not be the weakest precondition
but may be anything!

Verification condition

$vc :: acom \Rightarrow assn \Rightarrow assn$

$vc \text{ Askip } Q = (\lambda s. \text{ True})$

$vc (\text{ Aassign } x a) Q = (\lambda s. \text{ True})$

$vc (\text{ Asemi } c_1 c_2) Q =$
 $(\lambda s. vc c_1 (\text{ pre } c_2 Q) s \wedge vc c_2 Q s)$

$vc (\text{ Aif } b c_1 c_2) Q = (\lambda s. vc c_1 Q s \wedge vc c_2 Q s)$

$vc (\text{ Awhile } b I c) Q =$
 $(\lambda s. (I s \wedge \neg \text{ bval } b s \longrightarrow Q s) \wedge$
 $(I s \wedge \text{ bval } b s \longrightarrow \text{ pre } c I s) \wedge vc c I s)$

Verification conditions only arise from loops:

- the invariant must be invariant
- and it must imply the postcondition.

Everything else in the definition of *vc* is just bureaucracy: collecting assertions and passing them around.

Hoare triples operate on *com*,
functions *pre* and *vc* operate on *acom*.
Therefore we define

$astrip :: acom \Rightarrow com$

$astrip \text{ Askip} = \text{SKIP}$

$astrip \text{ (Aassign } x \ a) = x ::= a$

$astrip \text{ (Asemi } c_1 \ c_2) = astrip \ c_1; astrip \ c_2$

$astrip \text{ (Aif } b \ c_1 \ c_2) =$

$\text{IF } b \ \text{THEN } astrip \ c_1 \ \text{ELSE } astrip \ c_2$

$astrip \text{ (Awhile } b \ I \ c) = \text{WHILE } b \ \text{DO } astrip \ c$

Soundness of vc & pre w.r.t. \vdash

$$\forall s. vc\ c\ Q\ s \implies \vdash \{pre\ c\ Q\} \text{astrip}\ c\ \{Q\}$$

Proof by induction on c , for arbitrary Q .

Corollary:

$$(\forall s. vc\ c\ Q\ s) \wedge (\forall s. P\ s \longrightarrow pre\ c\ Q\ s) \implies \vdash \{P\} \text{astrip}\ c\ \{Q\}$$

How to prove some $\vdash \{P\} c_0 \{Q\}$:

- Annotate c_0 yielding c , i.e. $\text{astrip}\ c = c_0$.
- Prove Hoare-free premise of corollary.

But is premise provable if $\vdash \{P\} c_0 \{Q\}$ is?

$$(\forall s. vc\ c\ Q\ s) \wedge (\forall s. P\ s \longrightarrow pre\ c\ Q\ s) \implies \vdash \{P\}\ astrip\ c\ \{Q\}$$

Why could premise not be provable although conclusion is?

- Some annotation in c is not invariant.
- vc or pre are wrong (e.g. accidentally always produce *False*).

Therefore we prove completeness:
suitable annotations exist such that premise is provable.

Completeness of vc & pre w.r.t. \vdash

$$\begin{aligned} \vdash \{P\} c \{Q\} &\implies \\ \exists c'. \text{astrip } c' = c \wedge & \\ (\forall s. vc \ c' \ Q \ s) \wedge (\forall s. P \ s \longrightarrow pre \ c' \ Q \ s) & \end{aligned}$$

Proof by rule induction. Needs two monotonicity lemmas:

$$\llbracket \forall s. P \ s \longrightarrow P' \ s; pre \ c \ P \ s \rrbracket \implies pre \ c \ P' \ s$$

$$\llbracket \forall s. P \ s \longrightarrow P' \ s; vc \ c \ P \ s \rrbracket \implies vc \ c \ P' \ s$$

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- Partial Correctness:
if command terminates, postcondition holds
- Total Correctness:
command terminates *and* postcondition holds

Total Correctness = Partial Correctness + Termination

Formally:

$$\models_t \{P\} c \{Q\} \equiv \forall s. P s \longrightarrow (\exists t. (c, s) \Rightarrow t \wedge Q t)$$

Assumes that semantics is deterministic!

Exercise: Reformulate for nondeterministic language

\vdash_t : A proof system for total correctness

Only need to change the While-rule.

Some measure function $state \Rightarrow nat$
must decrease with every loop iteration

$$\frac{\bigwedge n. \vdash_t \{ \lambda s. P s \wedge bval b s \wedge f s = n \} c \{ \lambda s. P s \wedge f s < n \}}{\vdash_t \{ P \} WHILE b DO c \{ \lambda s. P s \wedge \neg bval b s \}}$$

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Example

Soundness

$$\vdash_t \{P\} c \{Q\} \implies \models_t \{P\} c \{Q\}$$

Proof by induction, with a nested induction (on what?)
in the While-case.

Completeness

$$\models_t \{P\} c \{Q\} \implies \vdash_t \{P\} c \{Q\}$$

Follows easily from

$$\vdash_t \{wp_t c Q\} c \{Q\}$$

where

$$wp_t c Q \equiv \lambda s. \exists t. (c, s) \Rightarrow t \wedge Q t.$$

Proof of $\vdash_t \{wp_t c Q\} c \{Q\}$ is by induction on c .

In the *WHILE* b *DO* c case, let $f s$ (in the \vdash_t rule for While) be the number of iterations that the loop needs if started in state s .

This f depends on b and c and is definable in HOL.

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New commands

Declare local variable: $\{VAR\ x;;\ c\}$

Define local procedure: $\{PROC\ p = c;;\ c'\}$

Call procedure: $CALL\ p$

Concrete syntax

$com ::= \dots \text{basic commands} \dots$

- | $\{VAR\ name;; com\}$
- | $\{PROC\ name = com;; com\}$
- | $CALL\ name$

Abstract syntax

datatype *com* = ... basic commands ...
| *Var name com*
| *Proc name com com*
| *CALL name*

Scoping

Static scoping

Name n refers to the textually enclosing declaration of n in the program text.

Dynamic scoping

Name n refers to the most recent declaration of n during execution.

Example

```
{VAR 0;; 0 ::= N 0;  
 {PROC 0 = 0 ::= Plus (V 0) (V 0);;  
  {PROC 1 = CALL 0;;  
   {VAR 0;; 0 ::= N 5;  
    {PROC 0 = 0 ::= Plus (V 0) (N 1);;  
     CALL 1; 1 ::= V 0}}}}}
```

What is the final value of variable *1* ?

- static scope for *VAR* and *PROC*
- dynamic scope for *VAR* and static scope for *PROC*
- dynamic scope for *VAR* and *PROC*

C does not allow nested procedures,
which simplifies the semantics.

Most functional languages allow nested procedures.

As does Java, via inner classes.

Dynamic scoping is a concept from hell and rarely used.

But its semantics is easy to define
and a good starting point.

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Procedure environment

$$penv = name \Rightarrow com$$

Big-step semantics:

$$pe \vdash (c, s) \Rightarrow t$$

where $pe :: penv$.

Rules for basic commands are upgraded by adding $pe \vdash$.

Example:

$$\frac{pe \vdash (c_1, s_1) \Rightarrow s_2 \quad pe \vdash (c_2, s_2) \Rightarrow s_3}{pe \vdash (c_1; c_2, s_1) \Rightarrow s_3}$$

Rules for new commands

$$\frac{pe \vdash (c, s) \Rightarrow t}{pe \vdash (\{VAR\ x;;\ c\}, s) \Rightarrow t(x := s\ x)}$$

$$\frac{pe(p := cp) \vdash (c, s) \Rightarrow t}{pe \vdash (\{PROC\ p = cp;;\ c\}, s) \Rightarrow t}$$

$$\frac{pe \vdash (pe\ p, s) \Rightarrow t}{pe \vdash (CALL\ p, s) \Rightarrow t}$$

Dynamic scoping because $pe(n)$ and $s(n)$ are the current values of n w.r.t. execution.

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The **static environment** for a procedure p is the procedure environment at the point where p is declared, i.e. the static links to the procedures known at that point.

Record the static environment for each procedure together with the procedure body:

$$penv = name \Rightarrow com \times penv$$

Recursive type synonyms not allowed.

Alternative: organize procedure environment like a stack.

$$penv = (name \times com) list$$

The static environment of p is the $penv$ before $(p, -)$ was added: pop until $(p, -)$ is found.

Rules for new commands

$$\frac{pe \vdash (c, s) \Rightarrow t}{pe \vdash (\{VAR\ x;;\ c\}, s) \Rightarrow t(x := s\ x)}$$

$$\frac{(p, cp) \# pe \vdash (c, s) \Rightarrow t}{pe \vdash (\{PROC\ p = cp;;\ c\}, s) \Rightarrow t}$$

$$\frac{(p, c) \# pe \vdash (c, s) \Rightarrow t}{(p, c) \# pe \vdash (CALL\ p, s) \Rightarrow t}$$

$$\frac{p' \neq p \quad pe \vdash (CALL\ p, s) \Rightarrow t}{(p', c) \# pe \vdash (CALL\ p, s) \Rightarrow t}$$

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Static Scope for VAR and PROC

Separate variable names from their storage addresses.
The same x can have different **addresses** at different points in the program.

$$addr = nat$$

A **variable environment** associates names with addresses:

$$venv = name \Rightarrow addr$$

A **store** associates addresses with values:

$$store = addr \Rightarrow nat$$

Note: If $s :: store$ and $ve :: venv$ then $s \circ ve :: state$.

The **static environment** for each procedure p records both

- the procedure environment and
- the variable environment

at the point where p is declared.

The procedure environment is recorded as before (in the stack), the variable environment explicitly:

$$penv = (name \times venv \times com) list$$

Interpretation of (p, ve, c) :

variable x in c refers to address $ve(x)$.

Big-step format

Execution takes place in the context of

- a procedure environment pe
- a variable environment ve
- a free address f

Instead of a state, the semantics transforms a store s :

$$(pe, ve, f) \vdash (c, s) \Rightarrow t$$

Execution also modifies the context, but input/output behaviour is captured by the store transformation.

Auxiliary function: $venv(pe, ve, f) = ve$

Rules for basic commands

$$e \vdash (\text{SKIP}, s) \Rightarrow s$$

$$(pe, ve, f) \vdash (x ::= a, s) \Rightarrow s(ve \ x := \text{aval } a \ (s \circ ve))$$

$$\frac{e \vdash (c_1, s_1) \Rightarrow s_2 \quad e \vdash (c_2, s_2) \Rightarrow s_3}{e \vdash (c_1; c_2, s_1) \Rightarrow s_3}$$

$$\frac{\text{bval } b \ (s \circ \text{venv } e) \quad e \vdash (c_1, s) \Rightarrow t}{e \vdash (\text{IF } b \ \text{THEN } c_1 \ \text{ELSE } c_2, s) \Rightarrow t}$$

$$\frac{\neg \text{bval } b \ (s \circ \text{venv } e) \quad e \vdash (c_2, s) \Rightarrow t}{e \vdash (\text{IF } b \ \text{THEN } c_1 \ \text{ELSE } c_2, s) \Rightarrow t}$$

$$\frac{\neg \text{bval } b (s \circ \text{venv } e)}{e \vdash (\text{WHILE } b \text{ DO } c, s) \Rightarrow s}$$

$$\frac{e \vdash (c, s_1) \Rightarrow s_2 \quad \text{bval } b (s_1 \circ \text{venv } e) \quad e \vdash (\text{WHILE } b \text{ DO } c, s_2) \Rightarrow s_3}{e \vdash (\text{WHILE } b \text{ DO } c, s_1) \Rightarrow s_3}$$

Rules for new commands

$$\frac{(pe, ve(x := f), f + 1) \vdash (c, s) \Rightarrow t}{(pe, ve, f) \vdash (\{VAR\ x;;\ c\}, s) \Rightarrow t(x := s\ x)}$$

$$\frac{((p, cp, ve) \# pe, ve, f) \vdash (c, s) \Rightarrow t}{(pe, ve, f) \vdash (\{PROC\ p = cp;;\ c\}, s) \Rightarrow t}$$

$$\frac{((p, c, ve) \# pe, ve, f) \vdash (c, s) \Rightarrow t}{((p, c, ve) \# pe, ve', f) \vdash (CALL\ p, s) \Rightarrow t}$$

$$\frac{p' \neq p \quad (pe, ve, f) \vdash (CALL\ p, s) \Rightarrow t}{((p', c, ve') \# pe, ve, f) \vdash (CALL\ p, s) \Rightarrow t}$$

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Addresses are numbers, too!

We take full advantage of

$$state = nat \Rightarrow nat$$

Arithmetic expressions

datatype *aexp* = *N nat*
 | *Deref aexp*
 | *Plus aexp aexp*

- Syntax: $! a \equiv Deref a$
- Pronounced “contents of a ”
- Allows terms like $! (Plus (! (N 5)) (N 2))$.

Why no variables?

Numbers are addresses are variables.

Instead of $V 1$ we now write $! (N 1)$.

C has variables, but you can obtain their address.

We work directly with addresses.

aval and *bval*

$aval :: aexp \Rightarrow state \Rightarrow nat$

$aval (N\ n)\ s = n$

$aval (!\ a)\ s = s (aval\ a\ s)$

$aval (Plus\ a_1\ a_2)\ s = aval\ a_1\ s + aval\ a_2\ s$

Function *bval* remains unchanged.

Assignment

$$aexp ::= aexp$$

Left-hand side is address, right-hand side is value.

Memory allocation

A new command:

New aexp aexp

New a k allocates a storage block of size k and stores the start address at address a .

Why not make *New k* an *aexp* that returns the start address as its value?

Big-step semantics

$$(com, state, nat) \Rightarrow (state, nat)$$

- The *nat*-component is the first free address.
- Everything beyond that address is free, too.
- This free pointer increases monotonically.
- There is no garbage collection.
- This is a very concrete storage allocation policy.
- More abstract nondeterministic models are possible but sacrifice executability.

In Isabelle, tuples are nested pairs:

$$(a, b, c) \equiv (a, (b, c))$$

$$\tau_1 \times \tau_2 \times \tau_3 \equiv \tau_1 \times (\tau_2 \times \tau_3)$$

\implies *big_step* is of type

$$com \times (state \times nat) \Rightarrow (state \times nat) \Rightarrow bool$$

Big-step rules

$$(SKIP, sn) \Rightarrow sn$$

$$(lhs ::= a, s, n) \Rightarrow (s(aval lhs \ s := aval a \ s), n)$$

$$(New\ lhs\ a, s, n) \Rightarrow (s(aval lhs \ s := n), n + aval a \ s)$$

$$\frac{(c_1, sn_1) \Rightarrow sn_2 \quad (c_2, sn_2) \Rightarrow sn_3}{(c_1; c_2, sn_1) \Rightarrow sn_3}$$

Big-step rules

$$\frac{bval\ b\ s \quad (c_1, s, n) \Rightarrow tn}{(IF\ b\ THEN\ c_1\ ELSE\ c_2, s, n) \Rightarrow tn}$$

$$\frac{\neg\ bval\ b\ s \quad (c_2, s, n) \Rightarrow tn}{(IF\ b\ THEN\ c_1\ ELSE\ c_2, s, n) \Rightarrow tn}$$

Big-step rules

$$\frac{\neg \text{bval } b \ s}{(\text{WHILE } b \ \text{DO } c, s, n) \Rightarrow (s, n)}$$

$$\frac{(c, s_1, n) \Rightarrow sn_2 \quad \text{bval } b \ s_1 \quad (\text{WHILE } b \ \text{DO } c, sn_2) \Rightarrow sn_3}{(\text{WHILE } b \ \text{DO } c, s_1, n) \Rightarrow sn_3}$$

How does assignment differ from C?

In C (and most imperative languages),
the lhs and the rhs are evaluated differently:

- on the lhs, a variable represents its address,
- on the rhs, a variable represents its value.

We use ! to achieve the same effect.

Some array and pointer algorithms

Array summation example

Variables:

! $(N\ 0)$ = address of first element of array

! $(N\ 1)$ = address of last element of array

! $(N\ 2)$ = sum, initially 0

Linked list creation example

Variables:

! $(N\ 0)$ = number of elements to be created

! $(N\ 1)$ = counter, initially 0

! $(N\ 2)$ = head of list, initially 0

! $(N\ 3)$ = aux

List element: (list size, next pointer)

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Everything is an object!

Even natural numbers.

Design decisions

- Every language construct is an expression.
- Every expression evaluates to an object reference.

Expressions *exp*

Null

New

V string

exp.string

string ::= exp

exp.string ::= exp

exp.string < exp >

exp; exp

IF bexp THEN exp ELSE exp

Variable access

Field access

Variable assignment

Field assignment

Method call

- Why no *SKIP*?
- Why no *WHILE*?
- Why no multiple parameters?

Boolean expressions *bexp*

$bexp = B \text{ bool} \mid \text{Not } bexp \mid \text{And } bexp \ bexp \mid \text{Eq } exp \ exp$

A case of mutually recursive data types

datatype $exp = \dots exp \dots bexp \dots$
and $bexp = \dots bexp \dots exp \dots$

References, objects, stores

A **reference** is *null* or an address (*nat*):

datatype $ref = null \mid Ref\ nat$

An **object** maps field names to references:

$obj = string \Rightarrow ref$

A **store** maps addresses to objects:

$store = nat \Rightarrow obj$

Environments

A **variable environment** maps variable names to references:

$$venv = string \Rightarrow ref$$

A **method environment** maps method names to bodies:

$$menv = string \Rightarrow exp$$

Big-step semantics

$$menu \vdash (exp, config) \Rightarrow (ref, config)$$

where

$$config = venv \times store \times nat$$

Big-step rules

$$me \vdash (Null, c) \Rightarrow (null, c)$$

$me \vdash$

$$(New, ve, s, n) \Rightarrow (Ref\ n, ve, s(n := \lambda f. null), n + 1)$$

$$me \vdash (V\ x, ve, sn) \Rightarrow (ve\ x, ve, sn)$$

$$\frac{me \vdash (e, c) \Rightarrow (Ref\ a, ve', s', n')}{me \vdash (e \cdot f, c) \Rightarrow (s'\ a\ f, ve', s', n')}$$

Big-step rules

$$\frac{me \vdash (e, c) \Rightarrow (r, ve', sn^{\wedge})}{me \vdash (x ::= e, c) \Rightarrow (r, ve'(x := r), sn^{\wedge})}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} me \vdash (oe, c_1) \Rightarrow (Ref\ a, c_2) \\ me \vdash (e, c_2) \Rightarrow (r, ve_3, s_3, n_3) \end{array}}{me \vdash (oe \cdot f ::= e, c_1) \Rightarrow (r, ve_3, s_3(a, f := r), n_3)}$$

where $f(x, y := z) \equiv f(x := (f\ x)(y := z))$

Big-step rules

$$\begin{array}{c} me \vdash (oe, c_1) \Rightarrow (or, c_2) \\ me \vdash (pe, c_2) \Rightarrow (pr, ve_3, sn_3) \\ ve = (\lambda x. null)("this" := or, "param" := pr) \\ me \vdash (me\ m, ve, sn_3) \Rightarrow (r, ve', sn_4) \\ \hline me \vdash (oe \cdot m \langle pe \rangle, c_1) \Rightarrow (r, ve_3, sn_4) \end{array}$$

Big-step rules

$$\frac{me \vdash (e_1, c_1) \Rightarrow (r, c_2) \quad me \vdash (e_2, c_2) \Rightarrow c_3}{me \vdash (e_1; e_2, c_1) \Rightarrow c_3}$$

$$\frac{me \vdash (b, c_1) \rightarrow (True, c_2) \quad me \vdash (e_1, c_2) \Rightarrow c_3}{me \vdash (IF\ b\ THEN\ e_1\ ELSE\ e_2, c_1) \Rightarrow c_3}$$

$$\frac{me \vdash (b, c_1) \rightarrow (False, c_2) \quad me \vdash (e_2, c_2) \Rightarrow c_3}{me \vdash (IF\ b\ THEN\ e_1\ ELSE\ e_2, c_1) \Rightarrow c_3}$$

Evaluation of $bexp$

$$menv \vdash (bexp, config) \rightarrow (bool, config)$$

The rules are the obvious ones.

A case of mutually inductive predicates:

inductive

$big_step :: menv \Rightarrow exp \times config \Rightarrow ref \times config \Rightarrow bool$

and

$bval :: menv \Rightarrow bexp \times config \Rightarrow bool \times config \Rightarrow bool$

Natural numbers as objects

- 0 is represented by *null*.
- $n+1$ is represented by an object with a predecessor field that points to a representation of n .

Successor method:

$(\text{"s"} ::= \text{New}) \cdot \text{"pred"} ::= V \text{"this"}; V \text{"s"}$

Addition method:

$\text{IF Eq } (V \text{"param"}) \text{ Null THEN } V \text{"this"}$
 $\text{ELSE } V \text{"this"} \cdot \text{"succ"} \langle \text{Null} \rangle \cdot$
 $\text{"add"} \langle V \text{"param"} \cdot \text{"pred"} \rangle$

Which central OO feature is missing?

Dynamic method binding

In $oe \cdot m \langle e \rangle$, the name m determines the method, the object has no influence.

Two possible extensions:

- Attach the method body to each object, like the fields.
- Superimpose a class system and attach a class to each object.