

Semantics of Programming Languages

Exercise Sheet 8

Exercise 8.1 Independence analysis

In this exercise you first prove that the execution of a command only depends on its used (i.e., read or assigned) variables. Then you use this to prove commutativity of sequential composition

term “ $s = t$ on X ”

First show that arithmetic and boolean expressions only depend on the variables occurring in them

lemma [*simp*]: “ $s1 = s2$ on $X \implies \text{vars } a \subseteq X \implies \text{aval } a \ s1 = \text{aval } a \ s2$ ”

lemma [*simp*]: “ $s1 = s2$ on $X \implies \text{vars } b \subseteq X \implies \text{bval } b \ s1 = \text{bval } b \ s2$ ”

Next, show that executing a command does not invent new variables

lemma *vars_subsetD*[*dest*]: “ $(c, s) \rightarrow (c', s') \implies \text{vars } c' \subseteq \text{vars } c$ ”

And that the effect of a command is confined to its variables

lemma *small_step_confinement*: “ $(c, s) \rightarrow (c', s') \implies s = s'$ on $UNIV - \text{vars } c$ ”

lemma *small_steps_confinement*: “ $(c, s) \rightarrow^* (c', s') \implies s = s'$ on $UNIV - \text{vars } c$ ”

Hint: These proofs should go through (mostly) automatically by induction.

Now, we are ready to show that commands only depend on the variables they use:

lemma *small_step_indep*:

“ $(c, s) \rightarrow (c', s') \implies s = t$ on $X \implies \text{vars } c \subseteq X \implies \exists t'. (c, t) \rightarrow (c', t') \wedge s' = t'$ on X ”

lemma *small_steps_indep*: “ $[(c, s) \rightarrow^* (c', s'); s = t$ on $X; \text{vars } c \subseteq X]$

$\implies \exists t'. (c, t) \rightarrow^* (c', t') \wedge s' = t'$ on X ”

Two lemmas that may prove useful for the next proof.

lemma *small_steps_SeqE*: “ $(c1 ;; c2, s) \rightarrow^* (SKIP, s')$
 $\implies \exists t. (c1, s) \rightarrow^* (SKIP, t) \wedge (c2, t) \rightarrow^* (SKIP, s')$ ”

by (*induction* “ $c1 ;; c2$ ” *s* *SKIP* *s'* *arbitrary*: *c1 c2* *rule*: *star_induct*)
(*blast intro*: *star.step*)

lemma *small_steps_SeqI*: “ $\llbracket (c1, s) \rightarrow^* (SKIP, s'); (c2, s') \rightarrow^* (SKIP, t) \rrbracket$
 $\implies (c1 ;; c2, s) \rightarrow^* (SKIP, t)$ ”
by (*induction c1 s SKIP s' rule: star_induct*)
(auto intro: star.step)

As we operate on the small-step semantics we also need our own version of command equivalence. Two commands are equivalent iff a terminating run of one command implies a terminating run of the other command. And, of course the terminal state needs to be equal when started in the same state.

definition *equiv_com* :: “*com* \Rightarrow *com* \Rightarrow *bool*” (**infix** “ \sim_s ” 50) **where**
“ $c1 \sim_s c2 \iff (\forall s t. (c1, s) \rightarrow^* (SKIP, t) \iff (c2, s) \rightarrow^* (SKIP, t))$ ”

Show that we defined an equivalence relation

lemma *ec_refl[simp]*: “*equiv_com c c*”
lemma *ec_sym*: “*equiv_com c1 c2* \iff *equiv_com c2 c1*”
lemma *ec_trans[trans]*: “*equiv_com c1 c2* \implies *equiv_com c2 c3* \implies *equiv_com c1 c3*”

Note that our small-step equivalence matches the big-step equivalence

lemma “ $c1 \sim_s c2 \iff c1 \sim c2$ ” **unfolding** *equiv_com_def* **by** (*metis big_iff_small*)

Finally, show that commands that share no common variables can be re-ordered

theorem *Seq_equiv_Seq_reorder*:
assumes *vars*: “*vars c1* \cap *vars c2* = {}”
shows “ $(c1 ;; c2) \sim_s (c2 ;; c1)$ ”
proof –
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As the statement is symmetric, we can take a shortcut by only proving one direction:

fix *c1 c2 s t*
assume *Seq*: “ $(c1 ;; c2, s) \rightarrow^* (SKIP, t)$ ” **and** *vars*: “*vars c1* \cap *vars c2* = {}”
have “ $(c2 ;; c1, s) \rightarrow^* (SKIP, t)$ ”
} with *vars* **show** *?thesis* **unfolding** *equiv_com_def* **by** (*metis Int_commute*)
qed

Homework 8.1 Idempotence of Dead Variable Elimination

Submission until Tuesday, December 17, 2013, 10:00am.

Dead variable elimination (*bury*) is not idempotent: multiple passes may reduce a command further and further. Give an example where $\text{bury} (\text{bury } c \ X) \ X \neq \text{bury } c \ X$. Hint: a sequence of two assignments.

Now define the textually identical function *bury* in the context of true liveness analysis (theory *Live_True*).

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fun bury :: "com  $\Rightarrow$  vname set  $\Rightarrow$  com" where
  "bury SKIP X = SKIP" |
  "bury (x ::= a) X = (if x  $\in$  X then x ::= a else SKIP)" |
  "bury (c1;; c2) X = (bury c1 (L c2 X);; bury c2 X)" |
  "bury (IF b THEN c1 ELSE c2) X = IF b THEN bury c1 X ELSE bury c2 X" |
  "bury (WHILE b DO c) X = WHILE b DO bury c (L (WHILE b DO c) X)"

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The aim of this homework is to prove that this version of *bury* is idempotent. This will involve reasoning about *lfp*. In particular we will need that *lfp* is the least pre-fixpoint. This is expressed by two lemmas from the library:

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lfp_unfold:      mono ?f  $\Longrightarrow$  lfp ?f = ?f (lfp ?f)
lfp_lowerbound: ?f ?A  $\leq$  ?A  $\Longrightarrow$  lfp ?f  $\leq$  ?A

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Prove the following lemma for showing that two fixpoints are the same, where *mono_def*: $\text{mono } ?f = (\forall x \ y. x \leq y \longrightarrow ?f \ x \leq ?f \ y)$.

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lemma lfp_eq: "[[ mono f; mono g; lfp f  $\subseteq$  U; lfp g  $\subseteq$  U;
  !!X. X  $\subseteq$  U  $\Longrightarrow$  f X = g X ] ]  $\Longrightarrow$  lfp f = lfp g"

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It says that if we have an upper bound *U* for the *lfp* of both *f* and *g*, and *f* and *g* behave the same below *U*, then they have the same *lfp*.

The following two tweaks improve proof automation:

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lemmas [simp] = L.simps(5)
lemmas L_mono2 = L_mono[unfolded mono_def]

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To show that *bury* is idempotent we need a lemma:

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lemma L_bury[simp]: "X  $\subseteq$  Y  $\Longrightarrow$  L (bury c Y) X = L c X"
proof(induction c arbitrary: X Y)

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The proof is straightforward except for the case *WHILE b DO c*. The definition of *L* in this case means that we have to show an equality of two *lfps*. Lemma $\llbracket \text{mono } ?f; \text{mono } ?g; \text{lfp } ?f \subseteq ?U; \text{lfp } ?g \subseteq ?U; \bigwedge X. X \subseteq ?U \Longrightarrow ?f \ X = ?g \ X \rrbracket \Longrightarrow \text{lfp } ?f = \text{lfp } ?g$ comes to the rescue. We recommend the upper bound $\text{lfp } (\lambda Z. \text{vars } b \cup Y \cup L \ c \ Z)$. One of the two upper bound assumptions of lemma $\llbracket \text{mono } ?f; \text{mono } ?g; \text{lfp } ?f \subseteq ?U; \text{lfp } ?g \subseteq ?U; \bigwedge X. X \subseteq ?U \Longrightarrow ?f \ X = ?g \ X \rrbracket \Longrightarrow \text{lfp } ?f = \text{lfp } ?g$ can be proved by showing that *U* is a pre-fixpoint of *f* or *g* (see lemma *lfp_lowerbound*).

Now we can prove idempotence of *bury*, again by induction on *c*, but this time even the *While* case should be easy.

lemma *bury_bury*: “ $X \subseteq Y \implies \text{bury} (\text{bury } c \ Y) \ X = \text{bury } c \ X$ ”

Idempotence is a corollary:

corollary “ $\text{bury} (\text{bury } c \ X) \ X = \text{bury } c \ X$ ”

Homework 8.2 Independence, in Parallel Programs

Submission until Tuesday, December 17, 2013, 10:00am. 5 bonus points.

Extend the while language with a parallel operator \parallel , such that $c1 \parallel c2$ executes commands $c1$ and $c2$ in parallel, and define a small step semantics.

Show that, for your parallel language, you have $\text{vars } c1 \cap \text{vars } c2 = \{\} \implies (c1 \parallel c2) \sim_s (c1 \ ; \ ; \ c2)$, i.e., sequential composition can be transformed to parallel execution if it works on different variables.

To solve this exercise, use the template from the webpage, which provides a sample solution from exercise 8.1 adapted to the parallel commands.

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