COMP SCI 3EA3 — Software Specification and Correctness

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Read Chapter 9 on "The Assignment Statement" and do the exercises in the text.

Exercise 6.0 — Division Algorithm and Ghost Variables

The division algorithm states, for any naturals n and $d \neq 0$ there are *unique* solutions q, r to $n = q \times d + r \wedge 0 \le r < n$ and we call these two 'integer division' and 'remainder after division':

 $n \div d = q \land n \mod b = r \equiv n = q \times d + r \land 0 \le r < n$

This problem is devoted a whole chapter in the course text, chapter 15.

The idea that division is the number of times that the denominator goes into the numerator immediately gives rise to the program,

$$q, r \coloneqq 0, n, d$$

; do $r \ge n \rightarrow q, r \coloneqq q + 1, r - b$ od

However, this takes time $n \div d$ many steps to compute.

Numbers are implemented in binary and so we tend to have very fast division and multiplication by 2 —by shifting the bits right and left. So assuming we have ' $- \div 2$ ' as a primitive operation, we obtain a more efficient algorithm:

$$\begin{array}{l} q,r,b\coloneqq 0,n,d\\ ; \ \mathbf{do}\ r\geq b\rightarrow b\coloneqq b\ast 2 \ \mathbf{od}\\ ; \ \mathbf{do}\ b\neq n\rightarrow\\ q,b\coloneqq q\ast 2,b\div 2\\ ; \mathbf{if}\ r< b\rightarrow \mathsf{skip}\ \square\ r\geq b\rightarrow q, r\coloneqq q+1,r-b\ \mathbf{fi}\\ \mathbf{od}\end{array}$$

This one essentially divides by 2 * d rather than just d and so takes half as many steps, and so twice as efficient! More formally, the variable b is *defined* by the invariant

$$n = q * b + r \land 0 \le r < b \land (\exists k \bullet 0 \le k \land b = 2^k * n)$$

Such an invariant may be difficult to work with due to the existential quantifier, what we can do is ignore the symbols $\exists k \bullet$ and add "ghost variable" k and the aforementioned properties to our invariant; then we alter k in the program appropriately to maintain the invariant, such as //@ ghost int k = 0; //@ ghost k = k + 1; //@ ghost k = k - 1; Implement both algorithms in C and prove them correct in Frama-C.

Exercise 6.1 — Pragrammatic Galois Connections, and other examples

Recall —see previous sheet!— the Galois Connection characterisation

$$L \dashv U \equiv (\forall x, y \bullet L x \sqsubseteq y \equiv x \sqsubseteq U y)$$

Prove the following are connections.

- 1. Negation is self-adjoint (in the dual order): $\neg p \Rightarrow q \equiv p \leftarrow \neg q$ (\neg) \dashv (\neg)
- 2. Conjunction is adjoint with implication: $p \land q \Rightarrow r \equiv p \Rightarrow (q \Rightarrow r)$ $(\land q) \dashv (q \Rightarrow)$ — this is essentially the division connection in a pomonoid!

Since $p \Rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \lor q$, we can rephrase this connection as: $p \land q \Rightarrow r \equiv p \Rightarrow \neg q \lor r$ $(\land q) \dashv (\neg q \lor)$ Using double negation, we obtain: $p \Rightarrow q \lor r \equiv p \land \neg q \Rightarrow r$ $(\land q) \dashv (\neg q \lor)$

 $(-) \to (-)$

 $(+y) \rightarrow (-y)$

- 3. Subtraction is self-adjoint (in the dual order): $-x \le y \equiv x \ge -y$
- 4. Addition is adjoint to subtraction: $x + y \le z \equiv x \le z y$ More generally, every "order-isomorphism" pair form a Galois Connection

 $f \circ g = id = g \circ f \land \text{monotone } f \land \text{monotone } g \Rightarrow f \dashv g$ for this reason Galois connections are known as "approximate inverses"!

5. Ceiling and floor are adjoint to real-number (implicit) type-casting, for $x : \mathbb{R}$ and $n : \mathbb{Z}$,

$$[x] \le n \equiv x \le n$$
 and, dually, $n \le \lfloor x \rfloor \equiv n \le x$

The first read right-to-left: "ceiling of x is the least integer containing x".

The second read right-to-left: "floor of x is the greatest integer contained in x".

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even $m \leftarrow b \equiv \text{if } b \text{ then } 2 \text{ else } 1 \text{ fi} \mid m$ and, dually, $\text{odd } m \Rightarrow b \equiv \text{if } b \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } 2 \text{ fi} \mid m$

Similarly,

$$x \in S \Leftarrow b \equiv S \supseteq \{e \mid e = x \land b\} \quad \text{and, dually,} \quad x \in S \Rightarrow b \equiv S \subseteq \{e \mid e = x \Rightarrow b\}$$

Note that $\{e \mid e = x \Rightarrow b\} = \text{if } b \text{ then } U \text{ else } U \setminus \{x\} \text{ fi and } \{e \mid e = x \land b\} = \text{if } b \text{ then } \{x\} \text{ else } \emptyset \text{ fi}$ Moreover the property "lower adjoints can always look up" applied to these last two yield the famialr laws —verify! Note the dual order!—

 $x \in (\cap i: 0..n \bullet S_i) \equiv (\forall i: 0..n \bullet x \in S_i) \quad \text{and, dually,} \quad x \in (\cup i: 0..n \bullet S_i) \equiv (\exists i: 0..n \bullet x \in S_i)$

We get these for *free* since we've shown membership is a lower adjoint in two ways!

Heuristic: to prove a function distributes over arbitrary meets or joins, try to show it is part of a Galois Connection

7. Direct image is adjoint with preimage: $f^{\rightarrow}A \subseteq B \equiv A \subseteq f^{\leftarrow}B$ $f^{\rightarrow} \dashv f^{\leftarrow}$ where

 $f \stackrel{\scriptstyle \rightarrow}{} A = \{x \mid x \in A \bullet f x\} \text{ and, dually, } f \stackrel{\scriptstyle \leftarrow}{} B = \{x \mid f x \in B \bullet x\}$

The inverse image operation is interesting ;) Consider the operations \exists_f and \forall_f on sets

$$\exists_f S = \{ y \mid (\exists x \mid x \in f^{\leftarrow}\{y\} \bullet x \in S) \}$$
and, dually, $\forall_f S = \{ y \mid (\forall x \mid x \in f^{\leftarrow}\{y\} \bullet x \in S) \}$

Then we have an adjoint triple: $\exists_f A \subseteq B \equiv A \subseteq f^{\leftarrow} B$ and $f^{\leftarrow} B \subseteq C \equiv B \subseteq \forall_f C \quad \exists_f \dashv f^{\leftarrow} \text{ and } f^{\leftarrow} \dashv \forall_f$ Hence, quantifiers can be seen as adjoints in a Galois Connections!

(Adjoints are unique and indeed it is not much trouble to show that $\exists_f = f^{\rightarrow}$)

With these adjoints in-hand, the aforementioned heuristic, informs us that the direct image distributes over arbitrary unions, whereas the inverse image distributes over both arbitrary unions and arbitrary intersections —since it has both a lower and an upper adjoint!

8. Strongest transfomer is adjoint with the weakest: $sp(S, p) \Rightarrow q \equiv p \Rightarrow wp(S, q)$ $sp S \dashv wp S$ where $\{p\}S\{q\}$ means that program S when executed in state p is guaranteed to terminate in a state satisfying q, and sp(S, p) is the strongest postcondition candidate q while wp(S, q) is the weakest precondition candidate p:

$$\{p\}S\{q\} \equiv p \Rightarrow wp(S,q)$$
 and, dually, $\{p\}S\{q\} \equiv sp(S,p) \Rightarrow q$

9. Supremum/join is adjoint with the constant function: $\sup f \subseteq u \equiv f \subseteq K u$ $\sup \dashv K$ Infimum/meet is adjoint with the constant function: $l \subseteq \inf f \equiv K \ l \subseteq f$ $K \dashv \inf f$ In-particular, for the Boolean lattice, the first one becomes:

$$(\exists x \bullet P x) \Rightarrow q \equiv (\forall x \bullet P x \Rightarrow q)$$

which in set notation becomes:

 $S \neq \varnothing \Rightarrow b \quad \equiv \quad S \subseteq \left\{ e \mid b \right\} \qquad \text{and, dually,} \qquad S = \varnothing \Leftarrow b \quad \equiv \quad S \subseteq \left\{ e \mid \neg b \right\}$

Note $\{e \mid q\} = if q$ then U else \emptyset fi.

For a space of size *two*, we can specialize these definitions to get the usual characterizations of *binary* meet and join

 $z \sqsubseteq x \land z \sqsubseteq y \equiv z \sqsubseteq x \sqcap y$ and, dually, $x \sqsubseteq z \land y \sqsubseteq z \equiv x \sqcup y \sqsubseteq z$

In turn these can be specialized to the case of natural numbers ordered by division to obtain

 $k \mid m \land k \mid n \equiv k \mid x \text{ gcd } y$ and, dually, $m \mid k \land n \mid k \equiv m \text{ lcm } n \mid k$

Finally, applying these to a space of size 'one' —let $\mathbf{1} = \{\star\}$ be the set with one element named ' \star '— then elements \bot and \top are the top and bottom elements of a poset precisely when $K \bot \dashv K \star$ and $K \star \dashv K \top$; Verify!

 $(:S) \rightarrow (/S)$ and $(R:) \rightarrow (R)$

10. Composition is adjoint to residuation

 $R \,;\, S \subseteq T \equiv R \subseteq T/S$ and, dually, $R \,;\, S \subseteq T \equiv S \subseteq R \setminus T$

where "relation composition" and inclusion are defined by

$$a (R;S) c \equiv (\exists b \bullet a \ R \ b \land b \ S \ c) \quad \text{and} \quad R \subseteq S \equiv (\forall x, y \bullet x \ R \ y \implies x \ S \ y)$$

and residuals, or 'factors', are defined by

 $x(T/S) y \equiv (\forall z \bullet x \ T \ y \leftarrow y \ S \ x) \quad \text{and, dually,} \quad x(R \setminus T) \ y \equiv (\forall z \bullet z \ R \ x \Rightarrow z \ T \ y)$

Notice that (1) the connections are nothing more than division in a pomonoid, and (2) the residual definitions *generalize* the principles of **indirect inclusion!**

- 11. Covariance and contravariance: If $L \dashv U$ then $(; L) \dashv (; U)$ and $(U;) \dashv (L)$.
- 12. Pointwise meets are adjoint with pointwise joins if $L \dashv U$ and $L' \dashv U'$ then $(L \sqcap L') x \sqsubseteq y \equiv x \sqsubseteq (U \amalg U') y$ $L \sqcap L' \dashv U \amalg U'$

where the pointwise extension of a binary operation \oplus is defined by: for any functions f and g, $(f \oplus g) x = f x \oplus g x$. Exercises, similar to the setoids and posets, show that a monoid (M, \oplus, e) gives rise to a "pointwise monoid" $(X \to M, \oplus, K e)$, for any type X.

13. Many problems in computing are of the form "find a candidate to a problem, and make sure it is optimal in some way" and these can be *specified* using Galois Connections, from which implementations may be derived.

For example, "take n xs is the longest prefix of xs with at-most n items" yields connection:

where $' \sqsubseteq$ ' is the prefix relation on lists. A more informal definition of take is

take $n [x_0, x_1, \dots, x_l] = [x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n]$

Using the former, the *specfication*, it may be easier to reason about this function, while using the latter, the *direct definition*, means we are forced to prove properties about it using induction —since it is defined directly as a recursive operation.

For example, **prove using the connection and then prove using induction**, and see how the latter is more cumbersome, the following properties

take m; take $n = take (m \downarrow n)$ and take $n xs = xs \equiv length xs \leq n$

Notice that the connection, like pointwise order, lives in a product-space and as such can be seen more directly as: $ys \equiv take(n, xs) \equiv (\Delta_{\mathfrak{g}}(length \times Id)) ys (\leq \times \equiv) (n, xs)$ where

 $\Delta y = (y, y), \ (f \times g)(x, y) = (f x, g y), \ \text{and} \ (a, b) \leq x \equiv (c, d) \quad \equiv \quad a \leq c \land b \equiv c.$

These pieces allow also us to view binary joins and meets as Galois Connections.

Spefiy the following operations,

- The dual of take, also known as drop —use the suffix order.
- The self-explanatory function for the "longest common subsequence" —use the subsequence order.
- "takeWhile p xs is the longest prefix of xs whose elements all satisfy predicate p."

Exercise 6.2 — Program Derivation: Optional Assignment, 2% —due before the next quiz

Do the previous "Optional Assignment", at its original worth,

OR

for 2%, select an algorithm on lists —say from the Haskell prelude—, specify it as a Galois Connection and then use *that specification* to derive an implementation. Write and submit a report similar to the indications on Sheet 5.

An example of such a derivation —for the division algorithm of the previous sheet— can be found on page 73 of Principles and Applications of Algorithmic Problem Solving by João Ferreira.

Exercise 6.3 — Fixed Points

See §6.1 of Roland Backhouse's tutorial on motivating the need for fix points.

The purpose of this exercises is to prove

Knaster-Tarski Lemma: every monotonic function on a complete lattice has a least and greatest fixed point. Assume,

f monotonic —i.e., $(\forall x, y \bullet x \sqsubseteq y \Rightarrow f x \sqsubseteq f y)$

and let

$$\mu f = (\sqcap x \mid f \mid x \sqsubseteq x \bullet x)$$

This is our candidate for the least fixed point; let's prove that it is. Prove —see the theorems list on the website!—

$$\mu f$$
-induction rule: $(\forall x \bullet \mu f \sqsubseteq x \leftarrow f x \sqsubseteq x)$

With that in-hand, complete the following proof:



$$f(\mu f) \subseteq \mu f$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{array}{c} [\\ f(\mu f) \subseteq (\neg x \mid f x \subseteq x \bullet x) \\ f(\mu f) \subseteq (\neg x \mid f x \subseteq x \bullet x) \\ \end{array} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{array}{c} [\\ Proving \quad f(\mu f) \subseteq x \\ \forall x \mid f x \subseteq x \bullet f(\mu f) \subseteq x \\ \forall x \mid f x \subseteq x \\ \end{cases} \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{c} f(\mu f) \subseteq x \\ \forall x \in x \\ \forall x \in x \\ \end{array} \right\} \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{c} f(\mu f) \subseteq f x \land f x \subseteq x \\ \forall x \in x \\ \forall x \in x \\ \end{array} \right\}$$

true

Dualise the definition of μf to obtain ' νf ' and prove that it is the *greatest* fixed point of f. Do so in two ways: directly and via the duality principle.