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# Abstract

Building a standard library of mathematical knowledge for a proof system is a complex task that relies on human effort. By doing a survey on the standard library of four proof systems (Agda, Idris, Lean, and Coq), we define the scope for our research to study types of algebraic structures in proof systems. From the result of the survey, we establish our focus to contribute to the Agda standard library.

Universal algebra studies structures by abstracting out the specific definitions and properties of algebraic structures. By providing an extensive and well-defined library of algebraic structures and theorems in Agda, it will enable researchers to explore new domains and build upon existing definitions (and theorems). We explore capturing a select subset of algebraic structures such as quasigroups, loops, semigroups, rings, and Kleene algebra with some of their constructs. Constructs like morphisms and direct product are given to us by universal algebra provide a way to relate different structures in a systematic and rigorous way. Morphisms allow us to understand how different structures are related.

During our exploration of capturing these structures in Agda, we encountered several issues. We categorized these issues into five classes and analyze each problem to provide plausible solutions (except for naming). As part of this research, we define more than 20 algebraic structures and add more than 40 proofs to the Agda standard library

*To all my teachers*  
*You are my greatest blessing*

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# **Declaration of Academic Achievement**

I, Akshobhya Katte Madhusudana, declare that this thesis is my own work unless otherwise stated through citations or otherwise. My supervisor Dr. Jacques Carette provided guidance and support at all stages of this work.

Major part of this thesis contributes to Agda standard library. The library aims to contain all the tools needed to write both programs and proofs easily in Agda and has been contributed to by many developers and researchers before me.

# Chapter 1

## Introduction

Abstract algebra is the study of algebraic structure that came into existence in the early nineteenth century as complex problems and solutions evolved in other branches of mathematics such as geometry, number theory, and polynomial equations. With the growing help of technology, mathematicians are more indulged in automated reasoning. Increasing powers of computers and software tools that help automated reasoning become useful in their research. Although the proof systems that support first-order logic are successful, developing a tool that supports higher order logic is complex and requires carefully defining mathematical objects and concepts [Phillips and Stanovský(2010)]. Proof assistant systems act as a bridge between computer intelligence and human effort in developing mathematical proofs. Agda, Coq, Isabelle, Lean, and Idris are some commonly used proof assistant systems. Mathematicians use these proof assistants to check their proof for validity, build proofs and sometimes even generate them via proof search tools. For the scope of the thesis, we only discuss types of algebraic structures in proof systems.

For any software system to be robust, all its dependencies must similarly be robust.

The standard libraries of these systems should support the user with necessary functionalities to be able to use the system easily without having to define all functionalities. The paper [Jacques Carette, Russell O'Connor, and Yasmine Sharoda(2019)] explores techniques to generate libraries with minimum human effort. Although generated libraries can define algebraic concepts, they are not considered as "standard library" for any proof system. For now, building standard libraries for proof systems relies on human efforts. This led to the question of what is the current scope of algebraic structures in the standard libraries of proof assistant systems. A survey of the coverage of algebraic structures in the standard libraries of proof assistant systems can help us understand which algebraic structures are already supported by various proof assistants, and which structures are still missing. This information can help researchers to identify gaps in existing proof assistants and guide future development. A survey was conducted to better understand the coverage of algebra in four proof systems Agda, Idris, Lean, and Coq. Agda was one such system where there was better scope to contribute to the standard library.

Agda is used by mathematicians and computer scientists for research purposes. Contributing certain algebraic structures and theorems to Agda would help researchers to explore new domains by building upon the existing definitions and theorems easily. The Agda standard library follows an algebra hierarchy that starts with magma as the initial structure from which other structures are defined. A magma is a set  $S$  with a binary operation  $\cdot$  such that,  $\forall x, y \in S, (x \cdot y) \in S$ . A magma with associativity is called a semigroup. A magma with division operation is called a quasigroup.

The definitions of constructs like homomorphism and direct product is given to us by universal algebra. Universal algebra provides a common framework by abstracting out the specific definitions and properties of algebraic structures. It helps us to study the

commonalities of algebraic structures and define their constructs. An algebra in universal algebra is defined as an ordered pair  $(S, F)$  where  $S$  is a set and  $F = (F_i : i \in I)$  is a finitary operations on  $A$  for some indexing set  $I$  [Sannella, Donald and Tarlecki, Andrzej(2012)]. Certain constructs like morphisms and direct products help us to relate different mathematical objects and structures in a systematic and rigorous way. Morphisms allow us to understand how different algebraic structures are related to one another. Direct product, on the other hand, is a useful tool for combining structures, such as monoids, groups, or rings, to create new and more complex structures that retain many of the desirable properties of the original structures. This allows us to study and understand larger, more complex systems and their properties.

## 1.1 Research Outline

To define the scope of our research, that is to study algebraic structures in proof assistant systems, we capture the current coverage of algebraic structures in the standard libraries of some commonly used proof assistant systems. As part of the survey, we consider four libraries: The Agda standard library (v1.7.1), the mathematical component library (1.12.0) for Coq, Idris 2, and mathematical library for Lean 3. In the effort of finding the coverage of algebraic structures in these libraries, we develop a clickable table that directs to the definition of the structure in the source code of these systems. Through the survey, we establish our focus for contributing to the Agda standard library<sup>1</sup>.

Inspired by the ways algebraic structures are used in research, in this work we explore capturing a select subset of them in the Agda standard library. We study magma with

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<sup>1</sup>I was exposed to Agda during coursework for my Master's degree, further adding bias to choosing Agda over other systems

division operation that is quasigroup and loop structures. By defining them with their morphisms and direct product constructs, we can study their properties and relationships in a more systematic way. We also explore various types of loops such as bol-loop and moufang-loop and their properties. Semigroups are used in various fields such as probability theory and formal systems. One of the most commonly studied algebraic structure is ring. In this thesis, we study types of rings such as near-ring, quasi-ring, and non-associative ring. I was exposed to Kleene Algebra in discrete mathematics course. Inspired by the applications of Kleene algebra in finite state machines, regular expressions, and other branches of computer science, we study Kleene algebra by providing proof for its properties that may be used in developing other systems or applications. By contributing to Agda standard library, we hope that this work will be used by others.

As we explore capturing these structures in Agda, we encountered several problems. In this work, we abstract out these problems into five classes:

1. Ambiguity in naming structures.
2. Equivalent structures that are structurally different.
3. Redundant field during structural inheritance.
4. Identical structures that can be derived in many ways in algebra hierarchy
5. Equivalent structures that are structurally the same.

We analyze each problem and provide plausible solutions except for "Ambiguity in naming structures".



## 1.2 Thesis Outline

Chapters 2 and 3 focus on the background information necessary for reading this work, focusing on reviewing universal algebra and algebraic structures in Agda, respectively. Chapter 4 is a survey on algebraic coverage in proof systems. The next three chapters 5, 6 and 7 are dedicated to discussing the structures in detail. Chapter 5 explores quasigroup and loop structures with its variations. Chapter 6 discusses the properties of semigroup and ring. Chapter 7 explores Kleene algebra, definition, construct and properties in Agda. Chapter 8 describes the various problems we faced during this work, as well as advice on handling common issues in programming algebras in proof systems. Finally, Chapter 9 concludes this work with notes on related future works and some closing thoughts.

## Chapter 2

# Universal Algebra: An Overview

Universal algebra is a branch of mathematics that studies algebraic structures in a general and abstract way. It provides a framework that allows mathematicians to study algebraic structures such as groups, rings, fields, lattices, and Boolean algebras, rather than studying them individually. Universal algebra provides constructs like homomorphisms, subalgebras, direct products, and more. These constructs help understand the algebraic structures and relationships between them. Algebraic structures, like monoids, loops, groups, and rings have similar properties. Universal algebra studies these structures by abstracting out the specific definitions and properties of algebraic structures. Universal algebra will deal with these algebraic structures as axiomatic theories in equational first-order logic [Sharoda(2021)].

In this chapter we study the concepts from universal algebra that help understand the characterization of algebraic structures with its constructs in Agda in the later chapters. We assume the reader to have basic knowledge on set theory (set, functions, and relations), knowledge of notation and concepts of first order logic. Section 2.1 defines terms like signature, theory, and algebra. We introduce constructs such as morphisms and direct

product in Section 2.2. The definitions in this chapter are adapted from [Sankappanavar and Burris(1981)], [Wechler(2012)] and [Sannella, Donald and Tarlecki, Andrzej(2012)].

## 2.1 Universe, type, and signature

Before we dive into defining algebra, we introduce to some concepts that are used later in the chapter.

- A *term* in logic represents an object in the domain of discourse.
- A *function*  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a mapping that associates each element of domain ( $x \in X$ ) with a unique element in co-domain ( $y \in Y$ ).
- A *function symbol* (or operation name) represents an operation that maps elements of domain to unique element in the co-domain.
- The number of operands in a function (or operation) is the *arity* of the operation.
- A *formula* is finite sequence of symbols from the set of alphabets of a language. A well-formed formula is a formula that is valid according to the rules of the specific language being used.
- *Term expressions* is a composition of terms with function symbols.
- For some formulas in propositional logic ( $a, b$ ), we say  $a$  is a substitution instance of  $b$  if and only if  $a$  may be obtained from  $b$  by substituting formulas for symbols in  $b$ .

Logic allows us to describe properties of entities as formulas and provide reasoning about them. Equational logic limits these formulas (such as axioms or theorems) to be

universally quantified equations of the form  $t_1 = t_2$ . Here  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  are terms expressible in the language of theory. A proposition is true if it is derivable from other true propositions using inference rules. The three inference rules in equational logic described in [Gries and Schneider(2013)] are:

- Leibniz equality: Two expressions are equal if one expression can be substituted with other without changing the truth statement.

$$\frac{t_1 = t_2}{t[x \mapsto t_1] = t[x \mapsto t_2]}$$

- Transitivity: If  $t_1 = t_2$  and  $t_2 = t_3$  then  $t_1 = t_3$ .

$$\frac{t_1 = t_2 \quad t_2 = t_3}{t_1 = t_3}$$

- Substitution: For predicate  $p$ , if  $p \ t$  is true, it remains true on all conditions.

$$\frac{p \ t}{p(t[xs \mapsto ts])}$$

where  $t, t_1, t_2$ , and  $t_3$  are term expressions,  $x$  is some symbol in the language,  $xs$  and  $ts$  denotes list of symbols and list of expressions respectively.

- A *theory* in universal algebra is defined as a tuple  $(S, F, E)$  such that  $S$  is the carrier set,  $F$  is a finite set of function symbols with their arities, and  $E$  is a set of equations that are satisfied in  $S$ .
- A *sub theory* of a theory  $(S, F, E)$  is defined as  $(S_\Delta, F_\Delta, E_\Delta)$  such that  $S_\Delta \subseteq S$ . The

operations in sub theory  $(op_\Delta \in |F_\Delta|)$  is defined as

$$op_\Delta x_1 \dots x_n = op x_1 \dots x_n \in S_\Delta, \forall op \in |F|, \text{ and } x_1 \dots x_n \in S_\Delta$$

- A *signature* is a pair  $\Sigma = (S, F)$  such that  $S$  is the carrier set and  $F$  is set of operation names.
- A  $\Sigma$ -*algebra*  $A$  is defined as pair  $A = (A, F_A)$ , a mathematical structure consisting of a carrier set  $(A)$  and a family of functions  $(F_A)$  defined for each function symbols in the signature. Algebra provides an interpretation for the carrier set  $A$  and function symbols  $F_A$  of a theory.
- The type (or language) of the algebra is a set of function symbols. Each member of this set is assigned a positive number which is the arity of the member.

## 2.2 Constructions

Universal algebra provides definitions of constructions related to algebraic structures. In this section, we will describe some of these constructions.

- The *congruence* relation for an algebraic structure can be defined as an equivalence relation that is compatible with the structure such that the operations are well-defined on the equivalence class. For an algebra  $(A, F)$ ,  $\theta$  is a congruence on  $A$  if  $\theta$  satisfies the compatibility property. The compatibility property states that for each  $n$ -ary function symbol  $f \in F$  and  $x_i, y_i \in A$ , If  $x_i \theta y_i$  holds for  $1 \leq i \leq n$  then  $f^A(x_1, \dots, x_n) \theta f^A(y_1, \dots, y_n)$  holds [Sankappanavar and Burris(1981)].

- A *morphism* is a structure preserving map between two algebraic structures. It is an abstraction that generalizes the map between two structures or mathematical objects in general. If  $A$  and  $B$  are two algebras of same type  $F$ , then a homomorphism is defined as a function  $\alpha : A \rightarrow B$  such that:

$$\alpha (f^A(a_1, \dots, a_n)) = f^B ((\alpha a_1), \dots, (\alpha a_n))$$

For each  $n$ -ary  $f$  in  $F$  and each sequence  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  from  $A$ .

Some variants of homomorphism are:

1. Monomorphism: For two algebras  $A$  and  $B$ , if  $\alpha : A \rightarrow B$  is a homomorphism from  $A$  to  $B$ , and if  $\alpha$  satisfies one-to-one mapping (i.e.,  $\alpha$  is injective) then the morphism  $\alpha$  is called a *monomorphism*.
2. Isomorphism: For algebra  $A$  and  $B$ , a homomorphism  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is an isomorphism if it has an inverse, i.e. there is a homomorphism  $f^{-1} : B \rightarrow A$  such that  $f f^{-1} = id_{|B|}$  and  $f^{-1} f = id_{|A|}$ .
3. Endomorphism: A homomorphism from an algebra  $A$  to itself is called *endomorphism*. In other words, if  $f$  is a homomorphism on  $A$  such that  $f : A \rightarrow A$  then,  $f$  is an endomorphism.
4. Automorphism: An isomorphism from an algebra  $A$  to itself is called *automorphism*.
5. Epimorphism: For two algebras  $A$  and  $B$ , if  $\alpha : A \rightarrow B$  is a homomorphism from  $A$  to  $B$ , and if  $\alpha$  is surjective then the morphism  $\alpha$  is called a *epimorphism*.

- For algebras  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  the *composition of morphisms*  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow C$  is denoted by the function  $g \circ f : A \rightarrow C$  and is defined as  $(g \circ f) a = g(f a)$ ,  $\forall a \in A$ . In [Sankappanavar and Burris(1981)], the author proves that the composite of two homomorphisms (monomorphisms/isomorphisms) is also a homomorphism (monomorphism/isomorphism).
- *Direct product*: For set of algebra  $\{A_i | i \in I\}$  of same type indexed by some arbitrary set  $I$ , the cartesian product of the underlying sets is defined as  $A = \prod_{i \in I} A_i$ . Let  $\omega_{A_i}$  be the corresponding  $n$ -ary operator on  $A_i$ . We can define  $\omega_A : A^n \rightarrow A$  by

$$\omega_A(a_1, \dots, a_n)(i) = \omega_{A_i}(a_1(i), \dots, a_n(i)) \forall i \in I$$

where element  $a \in A$  is a function from indexing set  $I$  to  $\bigcup A_i$  such that  $i \in I, a(i) \in A_i$ . The algebra  $A$  equipped with all  $\omega_A$  on  $A$  is the direct product of  $A_i$ . Each  $A_i$  is called the direct factor of  $A$ .

# Chapter 3

## Agda

Agda is a dependently typed programming language based on Martin-Löf type theory [Agda(2023)]. Agda allows programmers to define types that depend on values, to write functions that utilize these types, and to prove the correctness of the program in the same language [Stump(2016)]. Agda is also a proof assistant system. Agda is designed to help programmers to write and verify correct programs by allowing them to express their intentions in a precise and formal way. Agda has been used in various applications such as formal verification, program synthesis, theorem proving, and automated reasoning [Saqib Nawaz et al.(2019)]. It is also used by researchers and academicians to teach and explore the concepts of functional programming, type theory, and formal methods. This chapter provides a brief overview of programming in Agda in the context of algebraic structures.



## 3.1 Types and functions in Agda

### 3.1.1 Types in Agda

Agda is based on a core language that provides a minimal set of primitives and types, and is extended with libraries and modules that define more complex data structures, algorithms, and abstractions. Agda's type system allows for the definition of new types and operations that are tailored to the specific needs of a particular application or domain. Agda supports inductive types, simple types, and parameterized types [Bove et al.(2009)]. A data type in Agda can be declared using the keyword `data` or `record`.

```
data Bool : Set where
  false : Bool
  true  : Bool
```

In the above example code, there are four things to notice.

1. `data` is the keyword used to define a new data type.
2. `Bool` is the name of the data type.
3. `Bool` is a type of kind `Set`. (More about `Set` is explained later in the chapter)
4. There are two constructor values of type `Bool`. They are `false` and `true`.

Let us consider another example of inductive datatype<sup>1</sup> to define natural numbers `Nat`.

```
data Nat : Set where
  zero : Nat
  suc  : Nat -> Nat
```

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<sup>1</sup>An inductive datatype is a datatype that is defined in terms of itself.

We can see that for defining natural number, it is impractical to list all the constructors like how we did for `Bool`. Instead, we give two ways to construct a natural number: `zero` is a natural number and `suc` is the successor of a natural number. In the above definition, `Nat` is an inductive type defined with base constant `zero` and an inductive data constructor `suc`. `zero` and `suc` are constructors, where `suc` has a parameter of type `Nat` and `zero` has no parameters.

A record type in Agda is defined by using the keyword `record`. For example:

```
record Person : Set where
  field
    name : String
    age  : Nat
```

In the example code, there are four things to notice.

- `Person` is the name of the data type.
- In record type, parameters may be defined after the record's name declaration or may be declared with `field` keyword.
- `field` keyword indicates the start of field declaration.
- `name : String` and `age : Nat` denotes that `name` and `age` are fields of type `String` and `Nat` respectively.

You can then create instances of this record type by providing values for the fields:

```
alice : Person
alice = record { name = "Alice" ; age = 25 }
```

We can access the fields of a record using dot notation:

```
nameOfAlice : String
nameOfAlice = alice.name
```

```
ageOfAlice : Nat
ageOfAlice = alice.age
```

We can use **constructor** keyword in **record** type declaration to define a constructor function for creating instances of the record type. For example:

```
record Person1 : Set where
  constructor makePerson
  field
    name : String
    age : Nat
```

We can use the constructor `makePerson` to create instances of the `Person1` record:

```
alice : Person1
alice = makePerson "Alice" 25
```

In Agda, the types of fields within a **record** can depend on the values of other fields within the same record. This way we can express the relationship or constraints between the components of a record. An example for this is the Agda's built-in  $\Sigma$ -type of dependent pairs.

```
record  $\Sigma$  {a b} (A : Set a) (B : A  $\rightarrow$  Set b) : Set (a  $\sqcup$  b) where
  constructor _,_
  field
    fst : A
    snd : B fst
```

The  $\Sigma$  type represents pair of values where the type of the second value depends on the value of the first. The underscore in the constructor denotes where the argument goes. We see more example of this kind when we talk about functions later in the chapter.

To instantiate this  $\Sigma$  record type, we need to provide an element of type A and a value of type B `fst`:

```
alice :  $\Sigma$  String ( $\lambda \_ \rightarrow$  Nat)
alice = "Alice" , 25
```

$\Sigma$  is a dependent pair type constructor that takes two arguments of type String and ( $\lambda \_ \rightarrow$  Nat). The underscore in  $\lambda \_ \rightarrow$  Nat serves as a placeholder indicating that the type of the second component depends on the value of the first component. The underscore (`_`) placeholder is often used in Agda to indicate that you don't need to provide a name for a variable when its value isn't explicitly used in the expression. We see more examples of record type when we define algebraic structure later in the chapter.

### 3.1.2 Functions in Agda

Those familiar with Haskell will find Agda to be somewhat familiar. For example, functions have a very similar syntax to those in Haskell. A function in Agda is defined by declaring the type followed by the clauses.

```
f : ( $x_1$  :  $A_1$ )  $\rightarrow$  ...  $\rightarrow$  ( $x_n$  :  $A_n$ )  $\rightarrow$  B
f p1 ... pn = d
...
f q1 ... qn = e
```

Where `f` is the function identified, `p` and `q` are the patterns of type A. `d` and `e` are expressions. There are other ways to define a function such as using dot patterns, absurd patterns, as patterns and case trees [Bove et al.(2009)].

With the above definition of type `Bool`, let us define `not` function using pattern matching as:

```
not : Bool → Bool
not false = true
not true = false
```

not function takes an argument of type Bool. The equal (=) sign is used to say that when a clause on left-hand side of the equal sign is seen, the right-hand side is what's computed.

Similar to Haskell, Agda doesn't have the concept of multi-argument functions. For example, to define addition (add) function on natural numbers (Nat), we take an argument Nat and return a function that takes Nat and returns Nat.

```
add : Nat → Nat → Nat
add zero m = m
add (suc n) m = suc (add n m)
```

Operators in Agda are typically defined using symbolic notation or special operator symbols. Addition as an infix operation can be defined in Agda as:

```
_+_ : Nat -> Nat -> Nat
zero + m = m
suc n + m = suc (n + m)
```

In the above example, function `_+_` takes two arguments of type Nat and returns a value that is sum of the two arguments of type Nat. The underscore symbol in the name specifies where the argument goes. A recursive call must be made on a structurally smaller argument. For the function `_+_` above, the first argument `n` is smaller in the recursive call `suc n`. Operators can have different associativity and precedence rules. You can specify the fixity of operators to control how they are parsed. For example, `infixl 5 _+_`

## 3.2 Type levels in Agda

In the above section we say that `Bool` is a type of kind `Set`. What we normally call Type in programming, Agda calls it `Set`. If `Set` is a type of types, is it possible that `Set` is its own type? If we make `Set` a type of itself, then the language becomes non-terminating [Stump(2016)].

Bertrand Russell introduced a paradox when defining collection of all sets and is called Russell's paradox. The naive set theory defines a set as well-defined collection of objects. The paradox [Russell(2020)] defines the set of all sets that are not the member of themselves. This develops to two kinds of contradiction.

- If the set contains itself, then it should not be a member of itself by definition
- If the set does not contain itself then it is not a member of itself.

In Martin-Löf's type theory, when we make a `Set` its own type, it causes inconsistency, by Girard's paradox [Coquand(1986)]. To overcome this paradox, Agda introduces a series of universes to create the type hierarchy, and each universe represents a level of types [sor(2023)]. A universe is a type whose elements are type [uni(2023)]. This primitive type is useful to define and prove theorems about functions that operate on large set. In Agda, not every type belongs to `Set`. Since we cannot have a type `Set : Set`, Agda provides a hierarchy of universes `Set`, `Set1`, `Set2` and so on. `Set` stands for `Set0` and it is the base universe. From the definition of `Bool` in section 3.1, `false` and `true` is of type `Bool`, the type of `Bool` is `Set`, `Set` is of type `Set1`, and so on. Agda doesn't allow types at a given level to depend on types from higher universes.

We have seen that in Agda, not every type belongs to `Set`. Every type belongs somewhere in the hierarchy `Set0`, `Set1`, `Set2`, and so on. This definition works if we are

comparing two values of some type in `Set`. But, we cannot compare two values that belong to `Set ℓ` for some arbitrary  $\ell$ . To solve this problem, Agda provides type `Level`. The type `Set ℓ` represents the type of all types at level  $\ell$ . For example, `Set 0` represents `Set0`, `Set 1` represents `Set1`, and so on. This type helps us to define equality generalized to an arbitrary level.

### 3.3 Equality

In Chapter 2, when defining theory, we say that equation is of the form  $t_1 = t_2$  where  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  are term expressions and  $=$  represents equality relation. In dependent type theory, equality is a complex concept. Equality says that two things are "equal". But asking "when two things are equal" is nontrivial. In this section we discuss a hierarchy of "sameness" from [Bocquet(2020)] and [Eremondi et al.(2022)].

#### 3.3.1 Syntactic equality

For some symbol  $t_1$  and  $t_2$ ,  $t_1 = t_2$  if  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  are literally the same symbols. This is called syntactic equality.

#### 3.3.2 Definitional equality

Definitional equality says that  $t_1 = t_2$  when solving one symbol by applying some definitions leads to syntactic equality. Two programs are equal if they compute to the same value. For example,  $(\lambda x \rightarrow x + y)5$  and  $5 + y$  are the same.  $5 + y$  is obtained when we compute the value of the expression  $(\lambda x \rightarrow x + y)5$ .

When we write a function in Agda, we add defining equations to Agda's definitional

equality. For example, let us write a logical AND function ( $\_ \wedge \_$ ) in Agda:

```
 $\_ \wedge \_$  : Bool → Bool → Bool
true  $\wedge$  true = true
x  $\wedge$  y = false
```

In Agda, not every equations we write holds literally. In the above example, only the equation  $\text{true} \wedge \text{true} = \text{true}$  holds. The equation  $x \wedge y = \text{false}$  overlaps with the first equation when both  $x$  and  $y$  are  $\text{true}$ . This equation does not hold definitionally. In Agda, when pattern matching, cases are tried in order from top to bottom. Agda will split the above clause to three equations which holds definitionally [Abel(2012)]:

```
false  $\wedge$  true = false

true  $\wedge$  false = false

false  $\wedge$  false = false
```

Some fundamental rules that Agda follows for definitional equality are:

- *Beta reduction* - We apply a lambda abstraction to an argument by substituting the argument into the body of the function. In Agda, we can replace the formal parameter of a lambda abstraction with an actual argument. This leads to the simplification of the expression.
- *Congruence Rules* - If two expressions are equal, and you perform an operation on both expressions, and the results should also be equal. In Agda, if two expressions are definitionally equal, we can replace the sub-expressions with equal expressions that will result in equal expressions.



- *eta-expansion* - For record definition Person given in section 3.1, every `x : Person` is definitionally equal to `record {name = Person.name x ; age = Person.age x}`. It is based on the principle that two functions are equal if they produce equal results for all possible arguments.

We limit the scope of definitional equality here. Some references to find more information about definitional equality are [Norell(2007)] and [Martin-Löf and Sambin(1984)].

### 3.3.3 Propositional equality

When we write a proof to say that two programs are equal, this proof may not be a definitional equality. Instead this proof itself can be a program that expresses that two things are equal. In a universe polymorphic type system like Agda, types are classified into various levels denoted as `Set0`, `Set1`, `Set2`, and so on. The definition of propositional equality in Agda standard library is universe polymorphic. That is a generic definition of propositional equality is given using universes that can be used in different levels.

```
data _≡_ {a} {A : Set a} (x : A) : A → Set a where
  refl : x ≡ x
```

In the above definition, `a` is an implicit parameter representing the universe level of the set. In Agda, propositional equality `_≡_` is defined for any type `A` and any element `x` of type `A`, the identifier `refl` provides evidence that `x ≡ x`. Therefore every value is equal to itself and there is no alternative way to show values are equal. From this definition of equality, we can prove that it is an equivalence relation.

```
sym : Symmetric {A = A} _≡_
sym refl = refl
```

```
trans : Transitive {A = A} _≡_
trans refl eq = eq
```

We see how `Symmetric` and `Transitive` are defined in subsection discussing equivalence.

### 3.3.4 Equivalence

In Agda’s standard library, equivalence (`_≈_`) is often preferred over propositional equality (`_≡_`) when defining algebraic structures [Al Hassy(2021)]. In Agda, equivalence is defined as a record type with three fields to say that the relation is reflexive, symmetric and transitive:

```
record IsEquivalence : Set (a ⊔ ℓ) where
  field
    refl  : Reflexive _≈_
    sym   : Symmetric _≈_
    trans : Transitive _≈_
```

In the above code, `IsEquivalence` is defined over for carrier `A : Set a` and binary relation `_≈_ : Rel A ℓ` that are parameters to the module `Relation.Binary.Core`. We see why modules are parameterized with carrier set and equality relation later in the chapter when defining algebraic structures. The field `refl` is of type `Reflexive _≈_` and is defined as:

```
Reflexive : Rel A ℓ → Set _
Reflexive _≈_ = ∀ {x} → x ~ x
```

Where `_~_` is a relation of type `Rel A ℓ` that says for all element `x`, the elements are related to itself `x ~ x`. Type-level functions refer to functions that operate on types rather than on values. They are functions that take types as input and return types as output.

Symmetric relation is defined over a generalized symmetry that flip the order of arguments.

```
Sym : REL A B  $\ell_1$  → REL B A  $\ell_2$  → Set _
Sym P Q = P ⇒ flip Q
```

The first line declares Sym that takes two arguments: P of type REL A B  $\ell_1$  and Q of type REL B A  $\ell_2$ . Where A and B are carrier set over arbitrary universe level. The module result type Set \_, where the underscore represents a universe level that will be inferred. flip is a function to flip the order of the arguments.

```
Symmetric : Rel A  $\ell$  → Set _
Symmetric _~_ = Sym _~_ _~_
```

Symmetric uses the previously defined Sym that states that a relation \_~\_ is symmetric if it satisfies the conditions of symmetry as defined in the Sym. Symmetric will evaluate to type that  $\forall x y : A, x \sim y \rightarrow y \sim x$  for relation ~ of type REL A  $\ell$ .

Similar to symmetric relation, transitivity is defined over generalized transitive relation and Transitive will evaluate to type that  $\forall i j k : A, i \sim j \rightarrow j \sim k \rightarrow i \sim k$  for relation ~ of type REL A  $\ell$ .

```
Trans : REL A B  $\ell_1$  → REL B C  $\ell_2$  → REL A C  $\ell_3$  → Set _
Trans P Q R =  $\forall \{i j k\} \rightarrow P i j \rightarrow Q j k \rightarrow R i k$ 
```

```
Transitive : Rel A  $\ell$  → Set _
Transitive _~_ = Trans _~_ _~_ _~_
```

### 3.4 Structure definition

A design decision was made in Agda standard library to define algebraic structures as record type. The category theory library [Hu and Carette(2021)] also follows the same

design pattern to use record types. There are several advantages with using record type:

- Record types provide a convenient and flexible way to bundle together data and operations that satisfy certain algebraic properties.
- Algebraic structures may have dependent relationships between their components. For example, the type of an identity element depends on the type of elements in the set. Record types support dependent types, allowing you to express these relationships accurately.
- Records behave as modules. This allows us to export symbols in record type and bring them to scope. We may also need to make sure doing so does not create ambiguity.
- Record types have good IDE support(via Emacs)

Let us now try to define `IsMonoid`, an algebraic structure in Agda. Monoid is an algebraic structure with a binary operation that satisfies associativity and has an identity element. In Agda we can define a structure as a record type using the keyword `record`. The record type allows to have parameters immediately after the record's name declaration or may be declared with `field` keyword.

```
record IsMonoid (A : Set) : Set where
  field
    e : A
    op : A → A → A

    assoc : ∀ {x y z} → op x (op y z) ≡ op (op x y) z
    leftId : ∀ {x} → op e x ≡ x
    rightId : ∀ {x} → op x e ≡ x
```

In the above example, we see that `IsMonoid` structure has a parameter `A : Set` with

fields  $e$  - the identity element and  $op$  - the binary operation. We also give the laws of monoid as its field. Another way to define a monoid structure is to parameterize the binary operation and the identity element.

```
record IsMonoid0 {A : Set} (op : A → A → A) (e : A) : Set where
  field
    assoc : ∀ {x y z} → op x (op y z) ≡ op (op x y) z
    leftId : ∀ {x} → op e x ≡ x
    rightId : ∀ {x} → op x e ≡ x
```

In the above definition we see that the carrier set  $A$  becomes implicit and we parameterize the operations of the structure. In theory, both the definitions are the same. Using fields inside the record may provide a more encapsulated and self-contained representation of the algebraic structure, while having them after the record name allows more flexibility in choosing the carrier set and operation when creating instances of the record.

From the above definition of  $IsMonoid_0$ , when we try to define  $IsGroup^2$ , we see that both monoid and group have things in common. They both have a carrier set ( $A$ ), a binary operation ( $op$ ), and an identity element ( $e$ ). Given two structures that share some components, expressing that sharing component becomes difficult [Al Hassy(2021)]. To overcome these difficulties, we may parameterize the sharing components like the operations and the carrier set.

We may observe that all the algebraic structures have a carrier set. When defining algebraic structures in a module, we can make the carrier set as the argument of the module, so it is accessible by all the structures defined under that module. The module declaration is treated as a top-level function that take the parameters of module as arguments. The parameters can be values and types but not other modules.

In section 3.3, we introduce different ways to say when two things are equal. When

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<sup>2</sup>Group is an algebraic structure that is a monoid with inverse operation.

defining `IsMonoid`, we use Agda's propositional equality (`_≡_`) to compare the terms. However, in practice, this definition of propositional equality is too strong and one prefers to use a finer equivalence relation [Al Hassy(2021)]. Equivalence is useful when we want to capture "sameness" in a more flexible way. Agda standard library gives a binary relation as an argument to the module and equivalence relation (`isEquivalence`) as a field to the `IsMagma` (defined later in the chapter) structure from which other structures are extended.

```
module Algebra.Structures
  {a ℓ} {A : Set a}
  (_≈_ : Rel A ℓ)
  where
```

In the above code, we see that Agda standard library allows to define things in some arbitrary level. `A` is a `Set` in some level `a` and `_≈_` is a homogeneous binary relation `Rel` on universe `A ℓ`.

Now we can define a magma structure in Agda with equivalence as:

```
record IsMagma0 {A : Set} (_·_ : A → A → A) : Set where
  field
    isEquivalence : IsEquivalence _≈_
```

Although the equivalence allow us to compare the terms, it becomes restrictive to play with equal terms. In this case, we can use congruence that says that if two elements are equivalent, then applying certain operations to them should yield equivalent results. For example, let  $\approx$  be an equivalence relation on a set  $S$  and operation  $f : S \times S \rightarrow S$ . The operation  $f$  is said to be congruent with respect to the equivalence if, for all  $a, b, c, d \in S$ ,  $a \approx b$  and  $c \approx d$ , then  $f(a, c) \approx f(b, d)$ . Therefore when defining a structure we give congruence with the operation.

Let us understand how algebraic structure is defined in Agda standard library. An algebraic structure is defined in Agda standard library as a record type using the **record** keyword. The structures are obtained by wrapping the predicates that are expressed as "is-a" relation [Hu and Carette(2021)]. The types of algebraic structures are defined in module `Algebra.Structures` that have an underlying set `A` and the homogeneous binary relation `_≈_`. The following example shows how to characterize magma structures in Agda:

```
record IsMagma (· : Op2 A) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ) where
  field
    isEquivalence : IsEquivalence _≈_
    ·-cong         : Congruent2 ·

open IsEquivalence isEquivalence public
```

In the above example, structure `IsMagma` is defined as a record type with a parameter `Op2 A`. The properties of the structure `IsMagma` are declared as the fields of the record, which include equivalence (`isEquivalence`) and congruence (`·-cong`). `·` is a binary operation on the set `A`. `a ⊔ ℓ` gives the largest of two levels. `_≈_` is the binary operation argument for `IsEquivalence`. `IsEquivalence` and `Congruent2` are predicates defined in standard library. We open the module `isEquivalence` to bring its definition into scope. The open statement is made public using the keyword `public` to be able to re-export the names from another module.

In the above definition, we see `(· : Op2 A)`, the binary operation. Instead of writing `A → A → A`, Agda standard library defines a type level function `Op2`.

```
Op2 : ∀ {ℓ} → Set ℓ → Set ℓ
Op2 A = A → A → A
```

The subscript 2 represents that it is a binary operation. Similarly, the standard library

defines  $\text{Op}_1$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Op}_1 &: \forall \{\ell\} \rightarrow \text{Set } \ell \rightarrow \text{Set } \ell \\ \text{Op}_1 \text{ A} &= \text{A} \rightarrow \text{A} \end{aligned}$$

Although parameterized structures are same as the unparameterized (unbundled) versions, in practice there may be certain presentations that are useful. Paper [Al-hassy, Musa and Carette, Jacques and Kahl, Wolfram(2019)] discuss ways to unbundle structure at will. When building a library, it is not practical to provide all ways of parameterized structures. Agda standard library provides a bundled version of the structures. The bundled version of the structures contains the operations of the structures, sets and axioms. Agda standard library defines the raw representation of a theory that is the definition of its signature. `RawMagma` in Agda standard library is defined as:

```
record RawMagma c ℓ : Set (suc (c ⊔ ℓ)) where
  infixl 7 _·_
  infix 4 _≈_
  field
    Carrier : Set c
    _≈_      : Rel Carrier ℓ
    _·_      : Op2 Carrier

  infix 4 _≉_
  _≉_ : Rel Carrier _
  x ≉ y = ¬ (x ≈ y)
```

`_≉_` is the inequality relation that states that two elements are not equal  $x \not\approx y$  if they are not equal under the equivalence relation. Bundled version structures are defined by importing structures from `Algebra.Structures` so we can parameterize the definitions with equality that is used to compare the terms of the structure.



```

record Magma c  $\ell$  : Set (suc (c  $\sqcup$   $\ell$ )) where
  infixl 7 _'
  infix 4  $\approx$ _
  field
    Carrier : Set c
     $\approx$ _      : Rel Carrier  $\ell$ 
    _'       : Op2 Carrier
    isMagma  : IsMagma  $\approx$ _ _'

open IsMagma isMagma public

rawMagma : RawMagma _ _
rawMagma = record {  $\approx$ _ =  $\approx$ _; _' = _' }

open RawMagma rawMagma public
  using ( $\approx$ _)

```

Above is the bundled version of IsMagma structure. RawMagma is the raw version of the magma with only the operators and set. infix<l,r> denotes the fixity and precedence of the operator. The operator with higher fixity binds more strongly than an operator with a lower numeric value.  $\approx$ \_ defines equality used to compare terms of Magma. **using** keyword is used to limit the imported components.

Before we finish discussing structure definition, there is one important concept to discuss that is *renaming*. Although the choice of name is theoretically irrelevant, renaming is often used to provide more generic and consistent naming conventions, making the library easier to use and more accessible to users. Agda standard library uses certain conventions for renaming. Keyword **renaming** is used to rename the fields. Consider the below example:

```

record IsNearSemiring (+ * : Op2 A) (0# : A) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ) where
field
  +-isMonoid      : IsMonoid + 0#
  *-cong          : Congruent2 *
  *-assoc         : Associative *
  distribr       : * DistributesOverr +
  zerol         : LeftZero 0# *

open IsMonoid +-isMonoid public
renaming
  ( assoc          to +-assoc
  ; ·-cong         to +-cong
  ; ·-congl       to +-congl
  ; ·-congr       to +-congr
  ; identity       to +-identity
  ; identityl    to +-identityl
  ; identityr    to +-identityr
  ; isMagma        to +-isMagma
  ; isUnitalMagma  to +-isUnitalMagma
  ; isSemigroup    to +-isSemigroup
  )

*-isMagma : IsMagma *
*-isMagma = record
  { isEquivalence = isEquivalence
  ; ·-cong        = *-cong
  }

*-isSemigroup : IsSemigroup *
*-isSemigroup = record
  { isMagma = *-isMagma
  ; assoc   = *-assoc
  }

open IsMagma *-isMagma public
using ()
renaming
  ( ·-congl to *-congl
  ; ·-congr to *-congr
  )

```

We use **using**, **hiding**, and **renaming** to control which names are brought into scope. From the above example, we see that for addition operation (+), the fields of the form  $\mathcal{X}$  is renamed to  $+ - \mathcal{X}$ . [Al Hassy(2021)] proposes packaging the renaming to helper modules. However, as the new algebraic structures are added to the library, it becomes more difficult to maintain the conventions and requires carefully defining the structures.

### 3.5 Morphism in Agda

A homomorphism is a structure preserving map between two structures. For two magma structures  $(A, \cdot)$  and  $(B, \circ)$ , homomorphism  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is defined as:

$$f(x \cdot y) = f(x) \circ f(y)$$

In Agda, homomorphism for two magma structures is defined as a record type:

```

module MagmaMorphisms (M1 : RawMagma a ℓ1) (M2 : RawMagma b ℓ2) where

  open RawMagma M1 renaming (Carrier to A; _≈_ to _≈1_; _·_ to _·_)
  open RawMagma M2 renaming (Carrier to B; _≈_ to _≈2_; _·_ to _∘_)

  record IsMagmaHomomorphism ([_] : A → B) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ1 ⊔ ℓ2) where
    field
      isRelHomomorphism : IsRelHomomorphism _≈1_ _≈2_ [_]
      homo                : Homomorphic2 [_] _·_ _∘_

  open IsRelHomomorphism isRelHomomorphism public
    renaming (cong to [_]-cong)

```

The raw structures, in the above example, RawMagma is the definition of signature the structure. IsMagmaHomomorphism is a record type with fields isRelHomomorphism and homo. Since the formalization of the types of algebraic structures in Agda is based on

setoid, `IsRelHomomorphism` is defined for homomorphism between the homogeneous equivalence relations  $\approx_1$  and  $\approx_2$ . `Homomorphic2` is defined for two binary operations as:

```
Homomorphic2 : (A → B) → Op2 A → Op2 B → Set _
Homomorphic2 [[_]] _·_ _o_ = ∀ x y → [[ x · y ]] ≈ ([[ x ]] o [[ y ]])
```

From this definition of homomorphism, monomorphism of the structure is given as:

```
record IsMagmaMonomorphism ([[_]] : A → B) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ1 ⊔ ℓ2) where
  field
    isMagmaHomomorphism : IsMagmaHomomorphism [[_]]
    injective             : Injective [[_]]

open IsMagmaHomomorphism isMagmaHomomorphism public
```

`IsMagmaMonomorphism` is defined as a record type with field `isMagmaHomomorphism` and `injective`. The `Injective` function is a one to one map defined as:

```
Injective : (A → B) → Set (a ⊔ ℓ1 ⊔ ℓ2)
Injective f = ∀ {x y} → f x ≈2 f y → x ≈1 y
```

where  $\approx_1$  is the equality over the domain A and  $\approx_2$  is the equality over codomain B.

Isomorphism of a structure can be derived from monomorphism with surjectivity.

```
record IsMagmaIsomorphism ([[_]] : A → B) : Set (a ⊔ b ⊔ ℓ1 ⊔ ℓ2) where
  field
    isMagmaMonomorphism : IsMagmaMonomorphism [[_]]
    surjective           : Surjective [[_]]

open IsMagmaMonomorphism isMagmaMonomorphism public
```

`IsMagmaIsomorphism` is defined as a record type with field `isMagmaMonomorphism` and `surjective`. A surjective relation requires equality ( $\approx_2$ ) on the codomain B and is

defined as:

**Surjective** :  $(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow \text{Set } (a \sqcup b \sqcup \ell_2)$   
 Surjective  $f = \forall y \rightarrow \exists \lambda x \rightarrow f\ x \approx_2 y$

### 3.6 Direct Product in Agda

In Chapter 2, we define direct product of algebra. The standard library defines objects that are biproducts of appropriate algebras. In the context of algebraic structures, a biproduct is defined in such a way that it encompasses the properties of both a direct product and a direct sum. In many cases, the biproduct coincides with the direct product when certain conditions are met. However, biproducts and direct products may have distinct properties and behaviors for many algebraic structures. For the scope of the thesis we do not make consider this distinction. There is currently an [issue](#) in standard library to address this problem.

The product of algebraic structures takes a more structured approach. It involves creating a new structure where the operations are carefully defined to combine the operations of the individual structures in a certain way such that they respect the individual structures' properties. For two algebra  $A$  and  $B$  of the same theory with set  $S_A$  and  $S_B$  respectively, the product of algebra is defined with carrier set  $(S_A \times S_B)$  and for each operation  $f$  in the theory is defined as:

$$f(x_{1_A}, x_{1_B}) \dots (x_{n_A}, x_{n_B}) = (f_A\ x_{1_A} \dots x_{n_A}, f_B\ x_{1_B}, x_{n_B})$$

where  $x_{1_A}, \dots, x_{n_A}$  are elements in  $S_A$  and  $x_{1_B}, \dots, x_{n_B}$  are elements in  $S_B$ .

The difference between direct product and cartesian product is mainly related to the

type of mathematical structures you are dealing with. Cartesian product refers to sets with no additional structure. The Cartesian product of two sets  $A$  and  $B$ , denoted as  $A \times B$ , is a new set that contains ordered pairs  $(a, b)$  where  $a$  is an element from set  $A$ , and  $b$  is an element from set  $B$ . A direct product typically deals with algebraic structure, such as groups, rings, or vector spaces.

The direct products of structures are defined in `Algebra.Construct.DirectProducts` in Agda standard library. The direct product of magma structure is defined as:

```
magma : Magma a  $\ell_1$   $\rightarrow$  Magma b  $\ell_2$   $\rightarrow$  Magma (a  $\sqcup$  b) ( $\ell_1 \sqcup \ell_2$ )
magma M N = record
  { Carrier = M.Carrier  $\times$  N.Carrier
  ;  $\approx$       = Pointwise M. $\approx$  N. $\approx$ 
  ;  $\cdot$       = zip M. $\cdot$  N. $\cdot$ 
  ; isMagma = record
    { isEquivalence =  $\times$ -isEquivalence M.isEquivalence N.isEquivalence
    ;  $\cdot$ -cong      = zip M. $\cdot$ -cong N. $\cdot$ -cong
    }
  } where module M = Magma M; module N = Magma N
```

where `Magma` is the bundled version of the magma structure. The carrier set for direct product of  $M$  and  $N$  is the product  $M \times N$ . `Pointwise` gives the product of relations ( $\approx$ ) in  $M$  and  $N$ . `zip` gives a  $\Sigma$ -type of dependent pairs.  `$\times$ -isEquivalence` is the product of equivalence relations in  $M$  and  $N$ .

### 3.7 Equational Proofs in Agda

A proof is a sequence of steps that transform one expression into another using a set of rules. Agda allows us to declare properties of functions and data types that need to be verified by the compiler [Kidney, Donnacha Oisín(2020)]. A constructive equational proof in Agda refers to the process of proving a logical proposition using equational reasoning

within Agda's type system [Murray(2022)].

In the section 3.1, we have seen how to define natural number and addition function on it. Now, we will write an inductive proof using pattern matching that states that the addition of two natural numbers is commutative.

```
comm : ∀ (m n : Nat) → m + n ≡ n + m
comm zero zero = refl
comm zero (suc n) = cong suc (comm zero n)
comm (suc m) n = cong suc (comm m n)
```

In the above example, we see three cases:

- Case 1: When `comm zero zero`, that is  $m = n = 0$ . Then  $\text{zero} + \text{zero} = \text{zero}$  holds by reflexivity. The proof `comm zero zero` represents commutative property where both `m` and `n` are zero. The `refl` function is used to prove that two expressions are equal using the reflexivity of equality.
- Case 2: `comm zero (suc n)`, in this case, `m` is zero and `n` is a successor of some natural number. The proof proceeds recursively using induction on `n`. The recursive assumption is that `comm zero n` is already proved. That is  $\text{zero} + n = n + \text{zero}$ . Using this assumption, we can conclude that  $\text{zero} + \text{suc } n$  is equal to  $\text{suc } n + \text{zero}$ , by incrementing both sides of the equation with `suc`.
- Case 3: `comm (suc m) n`, In this case, `m` is a successor of some natural number, and `n` can be any natural number. The proof uses induction on `m`. The inductive step relies on the assumption that `comm m n` is true. The proof applies the successor function `suc` to both sides of the equation, to show that  $\text{suc } m + n$  is equal to  $n + \text{suc } m$ .

In algebraic structure, consider the example to the proposition of that  $x \cdot (y \cdot z) = y \cdot (x \cdot z)$  for a commutative semigroup i.e., a Magma with associativity  $(x \cdot (y \cdot z) = (x \cdot y) \cdot z)$  and commutativity  $(x \cdot y) = (y \cdot x)$ . The proof can be written in Agda as:

```
x·yz≈y·xz : ∀ x y z → x · (y · z) ≈ y · (x · z)
x·yz≈y·xz x y z = begin
  x · (y · z)      ≈⟨ sym (assoc x y z) ⟩
  (x · y) · z      ≈⟨ ·-congr (comm x y) ⟩
  (y · x) · z      ≈⟨ assoc y x z ⟩
  y · (x · z)      ■
```

To make proofs more readable, people have tried to emulate textual proofs, for example, by creating "begin" and "end" syntax. `begin` indicates the start of the proof. `begin_` is a function that takes two type arguments `x` and `y`, and an argument of type `x IsRelatedTo y`. It returns a proof that `x` is equivalent ( $\sim$ ) to `y`. The function simply uses pattern matching to extract the proof `x~y` and returns it.

```
begin_ : ∀ {x y} → x IsRelatedTo y → x ~ y
begin relTo x~y = x~y
```

`IsRelatedTo` is a type defined to infer arguments even if the underlying equality evaluates. Standard step to relation is defined as `step-~`.

```
step-~ : ∀ x {y z} → y IsRelatedTo z → x ~ y → x IsRelatedTo z
step-~ _ (relTo y~z) x~y = relTo (trans x~y y~z)
```

The `step-~` function provide a way to extend an equational proof using the relation `IsRelatedTo` while maintaining the equality ( $\sim$ ). It takes an initial proof that `x ~ y`, a proof `relTo y~z` of `y IsRelatedTo z`, and produces a proof of `x IsRelatedTo z`. The `trans` is the transitivity used to combine two proofs of relatedness.

The `step-~` gives convenient syntax for invoking the `step-~`. `step` using equality is given as:



```
step-≈ = Base.step-~
syntax step-≈ x y≈z x≈y = x ≈⟨ x≈y ⟩ y≈z
```

It provides a syntax shortcut for using the  $\approx\langle \rangle$  notation, which allows you to chain relatedness proofs using equational reasoning.

The termination (i.e., QED) of the proof is given using  $\_■$  that relates object to itself.

```
_■ : ∀ x → x IsRelatedTo x
x ■ = relTo refl
```

## **Chapter 4**

# **Types of Algebraic Structures in Proof Assistant Systems - Survey**

A survey of coverage of algebraic structures in proof systems will help to identify the gaps in the system. A survey can provide insights into how well each proof assistant supports the formalization of algebraic structures, making it easier for researchers and developers to choose the right platform for their mathematical formalization. Researchers and developers may be inspired to work on formalizing missing algebraic structures, which can lead to improvements in the tools and expand their utility.

This chapter provides the coverage of algebraic structures in proof assistant systems. Since I was exposed to Agda in the coursework, it added bias to select systems that are comparable with Agda and thus eliminating systems such as Mizar and Isabelle. We consider four proof assistant systems that are all dependently typed higher order programming languages [Saqib Nawaz et al.(2019)]. A standard library for a system is a collection of mathematical definitions with logical constructs, proof tactics, and utility functions that provide a foundational set of tools and definitions for users of these proof

assistants [Kohlhase and Rabe(2021)]. For the scope of the thesis, we consider the libraries as standard library that are commonly used and referenced for the respective proof systems in the context of algebra. The aim of this chapter is to provide documentation for the algebraic coverage in the standard libraries of proof assistant systems Agda, Idris, Coq, and Lean. In this chapter, the latest available versions are considered i.e., Agda standard library v1.7 [The Agda Community([n. d.])], Idris 2.0 [Brady(2021)], The Mathematical Components Library v1.13.0 [Mahboubi and Tassi(2021)], and The Lean mathematical library[mathlib Community(2020)].

The rest of the chapter is organized as follows. Section 4.1 gives a brief overview on the proof systems that we discuss in this chapter. Experiment setup is discussed in Section 4.2. In Section 4.3, we discuss threat to validity. Section 4.4 discuss how algebraic structures are defined in each system by taking Monoid as an example. Section 4.5 provides a table that provides result of the survey.

## **4.1 Proof assistant systems**

This section provides an overview of proof assistant systems Coq, Idris, and Lean. We intentionally omit discussing Agda in this section since it is discussed in the previous chapter.

### **4.1.1 Coq**

Coq [Paulin Mohring(2012)] is a theorem proving system that is written in the Ocaml programming language. It is designed to assist in the formalization of mathematical theorems by using constructive and higher-order logic. It was first released in 1989 and is

one of the most widely used proof assistant systems to define mathematical definitions, theory and to write proofs. Coq specification language is called Gallina. Users can write functions and algorithms in Gallina and then formally verify their correctness within the Coq environment [Bertot, Yves and Cast'eran, Pierre(2013)]. Coq provides an interactive proof development environment where users can interact with Coq through a command-line interface (or supported IDEs) to construct proofs.

The mathematical components library (v1.13.0) [Mahboubi and Tassi(2021)] includes various topics from data structures to algebra. The library provides an extensive collection of predefined data structures, algebraic structures (e.g., groups, rings, fields), and mathematical concepts (e.g., natural numbers, integers, rational numbers) [Saqib Nawaz et al.(2019)]. The mathcomp library was started with the Four Colour Theorem to support formal proof of the odd order theorem.

#### **4.1.2 Idris**

Idris is a functional programming language and interactive theorem prover created by Dr. Edwin Brady. Idris is built on a foundation of dependent type theory. The proofs are alike with Coq and the type system in Idris is uniform with Agda [Brady(2022)]. Idris includes a totality checker, which helps ensure that functions are defined for all inputs and that programs are guaranteed to terminate [Brady(2013)]. Idris 2 is a self-hosted programming language that combines linear-type-system. Idris like Agda, supports literate programming, this helps code and documentation to be interleaved in a natural and readable way. This is helpful for creating well-documented, readable formalizations. In this chapter, Idris 2 and Idris is used interchangeably and refers to Idris 2. Currently, there are no official package managers for Idris 2. However, several versions are under

development.

### 4.1.3 Lean

Lean [de Moura et al.(2015)] is an open-source project by Microsoft Research. Lean is a proof assistant system written in C++. Lean is based on a foundation of dependent type theory, similar to Coq and Idris. Lean has a powerful metaprogramming system that allows users to extend the language and develop domain-specific features [Ebner et al.(2017)]. The last official version of Lean was 3.4.2 and is now supported by the Lean community. Lean 4 is the latest version of Lean and is a complete rewrite of previous versions of Lean. Lean has been used in various research projects and has seen adoption in both academia and industry. Lean has found applications in formal mathematics, formalization of mathematical proofs, software verification, and formal methods research. It has been used to verify complex software systems and to formalize significant mathematical results.

Lean comes with a standard library that covers a wide range of mathematics, including number theory, algebra, analysis, and set theory. The mathematical library (mathlib) [mathlib Community(2020)] library for Lean 3 has the most coverage of algebra compared to the other 3 proof assistant systems discussed in the paper. The mathlib library of Lean is also maintained by the Lean community for community versions of Lean. It was developed on a small library that was in Lean. It contained definitions of natural numbers, integers, and lists and had some coverage over algebra hierarchy. The latest version of mathlib has over 2794 definitions of algebra [Saqib Nawaz et al.(2019)].

## 4.2 Experimental setup

It is not time efficient to manually look for the definitions in a large library. The source code of the standard libraries of Agda, Idris, Coq, and Lean are publicly available. We created a web crawler that extracts the code from the source code webpage and built a regular expression that is unique to each system to extract definitions. To build the web crawler, we first manually select the source pages where the algebraic definitions can be found in each system. The regular expression will make use of the keyword used in each system to define algebraic structure. Thus, a part of the process of building the table 4.1 was automated. We then verify manually to make sure the algebraic structures are correctly extracted by the web crawler. Since the standard libraries are open source projects, it is difficult to maintain uniformity in the code. For example, the definition might start with a comment in the same line or structure parameters might be written in a new line. All this makes it difficult to correctly build the regular expression and will necessitate the task of verifying the results manually to some extent. Section 4.3 will discuss the threat to validity of this approach.

## 4.3 Threat to Validity

In this section, we discuss threat to validity of the survey data.

- The libraries that we considered are under continuous development. The definitions that our web crawler extracted may not reflect the most recent code. We limit to a specific version of the library so that all the definitions in that version are captured.
- The threat in using regular expression is that it may not capture all variations and

formats of definitions. Some definitions may be missed, leading to incomplete data. We manually verify the result to look for missing definitions in the library.

- Each proof assistant has different language features that regular expressions need to account for. Ensuring that regular expressions work seamlessly across multiple proof assistants is challenging. We build unique regular expression for each system.
- Different formalizations of algebraic structures may vary in their definitions, naming conventions. For example, In Agda a ring without multiplicative identity is called `RingWithoutOne`. The same structure in Idris is called `Ring`. These changes in naming will necessitate to manually verify the result in building the table 4.1.
- Regular expressions might capture irrelevant text that matches the pattern but is not part of the actual definition. For example, the comments in the source file may mislead the web crawler.
- Regular expressions are typically pattern-based and may not consider the broader context in which the definitions appear. This lack of context can result in misinterpretations.

## 4.4 Algebraic Structures

In this section, we discuss characterization of monoid structure in different libraries. A monoid is a mathematical structure consisting of a set, an associative binary operation, and an identity element for that operation.

#### 4.4.1 Agda standard library

In Agda standard library, algebraic structures are defined over setoid [Danielsson et al.(2011)].

```
record IsMonoid (· : Op2 A) (ε : A) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ) where
  field
    isSemigroup : IsSemigroup ·
    identity     : Identity ε ·

open IsSemigroup isSemigroup public
```

IsMonoid is defined as a record type over set A and equivalence  $\approx$  that takes two parameters:  $\cdot$ , is a binary operation  $\text{Op}_2\ A$  on a set A.  $\epsilon$ , an element. The `Set (a ⊔ ℓ)` specifies the universe level at which this record exists. `field` keyword indicates the start of the field declaration. Field `isSemigroup`, says that the binary operation  $\cdot$  forms a semigroup, which means it is associative. The `IsSemigroup` type is defined that proof of associativity for the binary operation. Field `identity` indicates that  $\epsilon$  is an identity element for the binary operation  $\cdot$ . The `Identity` type says that  $\epsilon$  behaves as a left and right identity element for  $\cdot$ . Agda opens the `IsSemigroup` field `isSemigroup` so that when you have an instance of `IsMonoid`, you can directly access its `isSemigroup` field without any additional qualifiers.

The same follows for the bundled definitions of respective structures. A hierarchical approach is adapted to define algebraic structures to make the system scalable with minimal redundancy. One exemption for this hierarchical definition is the definition of a lattice. A lattice is defined independently in the standard library to overcome the redundant idempotent fields. A lattice structure that is defined in terms of join and meet semi-lattice is added as a biased structure. The Agda standard library defines left, right, and bi semi-modules and modules. A similar hierarchical approach as other algebraic structures is followed in defining modules. For example, a module is defined using



bimodules and bi-modules using bi-semimodules. An alternative definition of modules is given in `Algebra.Module.Structure.Biased`.

#### 4.4.2 The mathematical components library

The algebra structures design hierarchy of the mathcomp library is inspired by the Packing mathematical structures. The `ssralg.v` file defines some of the simple algebraic structures with their type, packers, and canonical properties. The hierarchy extends from `Zmodule`, rings to ring morphisms. The `countalg` file extends `ssralg` file to define countable types. A monoid in mathcomp library is defined as:

```
Module Monoid.

Section Definitions.
Variables (T : Type) (idm : T).

Structure law := Law {
  operator : T -> T -> T;
  _ : associative operator;
  _ : left_id idm operator;
  _ : right_id idm operator
}.
Local Coercion operator : law >-> Funclass
```

The definition starts a new Coq module named `Monoid`. Modules in Coq are used to group related definitions and theorems together for better organization and encapsulation. A new section named `Definitions` is opened to manage the scope of variables and definitions. Two variables within the scope of the definition section are: `T` is a type variable representing the underlying set and `idm` is a variable of type `T` representing the identity element of the monoid. `Structure law := Law { ... }` line represents the properties of a monoid. `operator` is a binary operation of type `T -> T -> T`. Next three

lines denote associativity, left and right identity laws.

### 4.4.3 Idris

In Idris 2, there is considerable overlap between abstract algebra and category theory. Some algebraic structures are provided as an extension of two other algebraic structures. The structures also include respective bundle definitions. A module is an Abelian group with the ring of scalars. The ring of scalars has an identity element. The library defines various algebraic structures that include semigroup, monoid, group, Abelian-group, semiring, and ring. It follows a hierarchical approach in defining structures similar to that in Agda. For example, a semigroup is defined as a set with a binary operation that is associative, and a monoid is defined in terms of semigroup with an identity element. Idris addresses identity as a neutral element.

```
public export
interface Semigroup t => Monoid t where
  neutral : t

  monoidNeutralIsNeutralL : (l : t) -> l <+> neutral = l
  monoidNeutralIsNeutralR : (r : t) -> neutral <+> r = r
```

The definition is made public and available for exporting, making them accessible outside the module or scope where they are defined. An interface named `Monoid` extends the `Semigroup` interface so that any type `t` that is an instance of `Monoid` must also satisfy the requirements of the `Semigroup` interface. `neutral` represents the identity element for the binary operation defined on type `t`. `monoidNeutralIsNeutralL` and `monoidNeutralIsNeutralR` specifies that for any value `l` (or `r`) of type `t`, when you combine (using the `<+>` operator) `l` (or `r`) with the neutral element on the left side (or right side), it should result in `l` (or `r`). `neutral` element acts as an identity element on

the binary operation.

#### 4.4.4 The mathematical library

The mathlib library for Lean extends the algebra hierarchy from semigroup to ordered fields. The library defines instances of free magma, free semigroup, free Abelian group, etc. An example of the monoid structure definition in the library is given below [Baanen(2022)]:

```
@[ancestor semigroup mul_one_class, to_additive]
class monoid (M : Type u) extends semigroup M, mul_one_class M :=
  (npow : N → M → M := npow_rec)
  (npow_zero' : ∀ x, npow 0 x = 1 . try_refl_tac)
  (npow_succ' : ∀ (n : N) x, npow n.succ x = x * npow n x .
    ↪ try_refl_tac)
```

In Lean, classes can inherit properties and methods from other classes. The monoid class inherits from the semigroup and mul\_one\_class classes. to\_additive indicates that additive version of the monoid class should be generated. The parameter (M : Type u) specifies that M is a type parameter that is the underlying set and Type u indicates that M is of a certain universe level. monoid class introduces an operation npow, a power operation that takes a natural number and an element of the monoid and calculates the repeated application of the monoid's binary operation. The class provides two properties for this npow operation: npow\_zero' specifies that raising any element to the power of 0 results in the identity element, and npow\_succ' specifies the recursive behavior of the npow operation, where raising an element to a successor natural number is equivalent to multiplying it with the element raised to the previous power. The . try\_refl\_tac suggests that Lean should try to automatically prove this property using reflexivity tactics.

## 4.5 Result

In table 4.1, every checkmark links to the implementation in the source code of the library. In the Agda column, the checkmark in blue (✓) indicates the algebraic structures defined as part of this thesis.

Table 4.1: Algebraic structures in proof assistant systems

Algebraic Structure	Agda	Coq	Idris	Lean
Magma	✓	-	-	-
Commutative Magma	✓	-	-	-
Selective Magma	✓	-	-	-
IdempotentMagma	✓	-	-	-
AlternativeMagma	✓	-	-	-
FlexibleMagma	✓	-	-	-
MedialMagma		-	-	-
SemiMedialMagma	✓	-	-	-
Semigroup	✓	✓	✓	✓
Band	✓	-	-	-
Commutative Semigroup	✓	-	-	✓
Semilattice	✓	-	-	✓
Unital magma	✓	-	-	-
Monoid	✓	✓	✓	✓
Commutative monoid	✓	✓	-	✓
Idempotent commutative monoid	✓	-	-	-
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**Table 4.1 – continued from previous page**

<b>Algebraic Structure</b>	<b>Agda</b>	<b>Coq</b>	<b>Idris</b>	<b>Lean</b>
Bounded Semilattice	✓	-	-	-
Bounded Meetsemilattice	✓	-	-	-
Bounded Joinsemilattice	✓	-	-	-
Invertible Magma	✓	-	-	-
IsInvertible UnitalMagma	✓	-	-	-
Quasigroup	✓	-	-	-
Loop	✓	-	-	-
Moufang Loop	✓	-	-	-
Left Bol Loop	✓	-	-	-
Middle Bol Loop	✓	-	-	-
Right Bol Loop	✓	-	-	-
NilpotentGroup	-	-	-	✓
CyclicGroup	-	-	-	✓
SubGroup	-	-	-	✓
Group	✓	✓	✓	✓
Abelian group	✓	-	✓	✓
Lattice	✓	-	-	✓
Distributive lattice	✓	-	-	-
Near semiring	✓	-	-	-
Semiringwithout one	✓	-	-	-
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**Table 4.1 – continued from previous page**

<b>Algebraic Structure</b>	<b>Agda</b>	<b>Coq</b>	<b>Idris</b>	<b>Lean</b>
Idempotent Semiring	✓	-	-	-
Commutative semiring without one	✓	-	-	-
Semiring without annihilating zero	✓	-	-	-
Semiring	✓	✓	-	✓
Commutative semiring	✓	-	-	✓
Non associative ring	✓	-	-	-
Nearring	✓	-	-	-
Quasiring	✓	-	-	-
Local ring	-	-	-	✓
Noetherian ring	-	-	-	✓
Ordered ring	-	-	-	✓
Cancellative commutative semiring	✓	-	-	-
Sub ring	-	-	-	✓
Ring	✓	✓	✓	✓
Unit Ring	✓	✓	✓	-
Commutative Unit ring	-	✓	-	-
Commutative ring	✓	✓	-	✓
Integral Domain	-	✓	-	-
LieAlgebra	-	-	-	✓
LieRing module	-	-	-	✓
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**Table 4.1 – continued from previous page**

<b>Algebraic Structure</b>	<b>Agda</b>	<b>Coq</b>	<b>Idris</b>	<b>Lean</b>
Lie module	-	-	-	✓
Boolean algebra	✓	-	-	-
Preleft semimodule	✓	-	-	-
Left semimodule	✓	-	-	-
Preright semimodule	✓	-	-	-
right semimodule	✓	-	-	-
Bi semimodule	✓	-	-	-
Semimodule	✓	-	-	-
Left module	✓	✓	-	-
Right module	✓	-	-	-
Bi module	✓	-	-	-
Module	✓	✓	-	✓
Field	-	✓	✓	✓
Decidable Field	-	✓	-	-
Closed field	-	✓	-	-
Algebra	-	✓	-	-
Unit algebra	-	✓	-	✓
Lalgebra	-	✓	-	-
Commutative unit algebra	-	✓	-	-
Commutative algebra	-	✓	-	-
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**Table 4.1 – continued from previous page**

<b>Algebraic Structure</b>	<b>Agda</b>	<b>Coq</b>	<b>Idris</b>	<b>Lean</b>
NumDomain	-	✓	-	-
Normed Zmodule	-	✓	-	-
Num field	-	✓	-	-
Real domain	-	✓	-	-
Real field	-	✓	-	-
Real closed field	-	✓	-	-
Vector space	-	✓	-	-
Zmodule Quotients type	-	✓	-	-
Ring Quotient type	-	✓	-	-
Unit rint quotient type	-	✓	-	-
Additive group	-	✓	-	-
characteristic zero	-	-	-	✓
Domain	-	-	-	✓
Chain Complex	-	-	-	✓
Kleene Algebra	✓	-	-	-
HeytingCommutativeRing	✓	-	-	-
HeytingField	✓	-	-	-



## Chapter 5

# Theory Of Quasigroup and Loop in Agda

Applications of non-associative algebras are explored in various fields of study. For example, Einstein's formula of addition of velocities gives a loop structure [Ungar(2007)]. Quasigroups of various orders are used in the field of cryptography [Phillips and Stanovský(2010)]. Lie algebra is used in differential geometry[Wikipedia(2022h)]. With proof assistants, such as Agda, we can verify the relevant mathematical proofs of these algebraic structures. They are interactive software that helps to derive complex mathematical proofs. In this chapter, we formalize two important non-associative algebras - quasigroup, and loop structure. A *quasigroup*  $(Q, \cdot, /, \backslash)$  is a type  $(2,2,2)$  algebra satisfying division operations. A *loop* is a quasigroup with identity. In this chapter, we explore morphisms and direct products for these structures and derive proofs for some of the properties of these structures.

## 5.1 Definitions

A magma is a set  $S$  with a binary operation  $\cdot$  such that,  $\forall x, y \in S \Rightarrow (x \cdot y) \in S$ . In Agda, magma structure is defined on setoid  $A$  as `IsMagma` with binary operation  $\cdot$  and equivalence relation  $\approx$ . A quasigroup can be defined as a magma with left and right division identities. The operation  $\setminus$  (left division) and  $/$  (right division) for elements  $x, y$  in a quasigroup is defined as:

$$y = x \cdot (x \setminus y) \quad (5.1.1)$$

$$y = x \setminus (x \cdot y) \quad (5.1.2)$$

$$y = (y / x) \cdot x \quad (5.1.3)$$

$$y = (y \cdot x) / x \quad (5.1.4)$$

Agda supports most unicode characters (UTF-8) that can be used in identifiers. However, we cannot use reserved characters and keywords. Backslash ( $\backslash$ ) is a reserved character and cannot be used independently but can be used with other character. To overcome this issue, for division operation we use `//` and `\\` instead of `/` and `\` respectively.

`LeftDividesl` : `Op2 A → Op2 A → Set _`  
`LeftDividesl _·_ _\\_ = ∀ x y → (x · (x \\ y)) ≈ y`

`LeftDividesr` : `Op2 A → Op2 A → Set _`  
`LeftDividesr _·_ _\\_ = ∀ x y → (x \\ (x · y)) ≈ y`

`RightDividesl` : `Op2 A → Op2 A → Set _`  
`RightDividesl _·_ _//_ = ∀ x y → ((y // x) · x) ≈ y`

```

RightDividesr : Op2 A → Op2 A → Set _
RightDividesr _·_ _//_ = ∀ x y → ((y · x) // x) ≈ y

```

Afterwards, we can form left and right divisions as:

```

LeftDivides : Op2 A → Op2 A → Set _
LeftDivides · \\ = (LeftDividesl · \\) × (LeftDividesr · \\)

```

```

RightDivides : Op2 A → Op2 A → Set _
RightDivides · // = (RightDividesl · //) × (RightDividesr · //)

```

The Quasigroup structure can be structurally derived from Magma in Agda as:

```

record IsQuasigroup (· \\ // : Op2 A) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ) where
field
  isMagma      : IsMagma ·
  \\-cong      : Congruent2 \\
  //-cong       : Congruent2 //
  leftDivides  : LeftDivides · \\
  rightDivides : RightDivides · //

open IsMagma isMagma public

```

In the above definition of IsQuasigroup is a record type with three binary operations  $\cdot$ ,  $\backslash \backslash$  // on setoid  $A$ .  $(a \sqcup \ell)$  returns the largest of two Level<sup>1</sup>  $(a, \ell)$ . The structure has five fields. isMagma field is used to say that the structure IsQuasigroup has a structure IsMagma with other following predicates.  $\backslash \backslash$ -cong and //-cong field are used to say that the division operations are congruent. The division predicates are given using leftDivides and rightDivides from the definition LeftDivides and RightDivides above. We then open IsMagma as public to bring its definitions into scope.

A loop is a quasigroup that has identity element. The identity axiom is given as:

$$x \cdot e = e \cdot x = x \tag{5.1.5}$$

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<sup>1</sup>Level are used in universe polymorphism discussed in Chapter 3

In Agda, (left-right) identity is defined as:

```

LeftIdentity : A → Op2 A → Set _
LeftIdentity e _ = ∀ x → (e · x) ≈ x

RightIdentity : A → Op2 A → Set _
RightIdentity e _ = ∀ x → (x · e) ≈ x

Identity : A → Op2 A → Set _
Identity e · = (LeftIdentity e ·) × (RightIdentity e ·)

```

Similar to quasigroup, loop structure can be structurally derived from quasigroup.

```

record IsLoop (· \ \ // : Op2 A) (e : A) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ) where
field
  isQuasigroup : IsQuasigroup · \ \ //
  identity      : Identity e ·

open IsQuasigroup isQuasigroup public

```

A loop is called a *right bol loop* if it satisfies the identity (Equation 5.1.6)

$$((z \cdot x) \cdot y) \cdot x = z \cdot ((x \cdot y) \cdot x) \quad (5.1.6)$$

A loop is called a *left bol loop* if it satisfies the identity (Equation 5.1.7)

$$x \cdot (y \cdot (x \cdot z)) = (x \cdot (y \cdot x)) \cdot z \quad (5.1.7)$$

A loop is called a *middle bol loop* if it satisfies the identity (Equation 5.1.8)

$$(z \cdot x) \cdot (y \cdot z) = z \cdot ((x \cdot y) \cdot z) \quad (5.1.8)$$

A left-right bol loop is called a *moufang loop* if it satisfies identity (Equation 5.1.9)

$$(z \cdot x) \cdot (y \cdot z) = z \cdot ((x \cdot y) \cdot z) \quad (5.1.9)$$

**LeftBol** :  $\text{Op}_2 A \rightarrow \text{Set } \_$   
**LeftBol**  $\_ \_ = \forall x y z \rightarrow (x \cdot (y \cdot (x \cdot z))) \approx ((x \cdot (y \cdot x)) \cdot z)$

**RightBol** :  $\text{Op}_2 A \rightarrow \text{Set } \_$   
**RightBol**  $\_ \_ = \forall x y z \rightarrow (((z \cdot x) \cdot y) \cdot x) \approx (z \cdot ((x \cdot y) \cdot x))$

**MiddleBol** :  $\text{Op}_2 A \rightarrow \text{Op}_2 A \rightarrow \text{Op}_2 A \rightarrow \text{Set } \_$   
**MiddleBol**  $\_ \_ \_ \_ = \forall x y z \rightarrow (x \cdot ((y \cdot z) \setminus x)) \approx ((x // z) \cdot (y \setminus x))$

**Identical** :  $\text{Op}_2 A \rightarrow \text{Set } \_$   
**Identical**  $\_ \_ = \forall x y z \rightarrow ((z \cdot x) \cdot (y \cdot z)) \approx (z \cdot ((x \cdot y) \cdot z))$

## 5.2 Morphism

A structure preserving map  $f$  between two structures of same type is called *morphism* or homomorphism in general. That is  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $\cdot$  is an operation on the structure then homomorphism is defined as

$$f(x \cdot y) = f(x) \cdot f(y)$$

A homomorphism that is injective is called *monomorphism*. If the structures are identical i.e., they are more than just similar in structure then we can compare the structures with isomorphism. A homomorphism that is bijective is called *isomorphism*. Morphisms are

important in understanding the relationships between different quasigroups and loops and can be used to prove important theorems about these structures.

For quasigroups  $(Q_1, \cdot, \backslash, /)$  and  $(Q_2, \circ, \backslash, /)$ , homomorphism is defined as a structure preserving map  $f : (Q_1, \cdot, \backslash, /) \rightarrow (Q_2, \circ, \backslash, /)$  such that:

- $f$  preserves the binary operation:  $f(x \cdot y) = f(x) \circ f(y)$
- $f$  preserves the left division operation :  $f(x \backslash y) = f(x) \backslash f(y)$
- $f$  preserves the right division operation:  $f(x / y) = f(x) / f(y)$

In Agda, quasigroup homomorphism can be defined as:

```
record IsQuasigroupHomomorphism ([_] : A → B) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ1 ⊔ ℓ2)
  where
    field
      isRelHomomorphism : IsRelHomomorphism _≈1_ _≈2_ [_]
      ·-homo              : Homomorphic2 [_] _·1_ _·2_
      \-homo              : Homomorphic2 [_] _\|1_ _\|2_
      //homo              : Homomorphic2 [_] _//1_ _//2_

open IsRelHomomorphism isRelHomomorphism public
renaming (cong to []-cong)
```

In the above definition of quasigroup homomorphism,  $\text{Homomorphic}_2$  is the structure preserving map on some set A and B with binary operations  $\cdot$  and  $\circ$  respectively.

```
Homomorphic2 : (A → B) → Op2 A → Op2 B → Set _
Homomorphic2 [_] _·_ _·_ = ∀ x y → [ x · y ] ≈ ([ x ] · [ y ])
```

In the code above,  $[\_]$  is the map  $(A \rightarrow B)$  that takes one argument. Similar to quasigroup homomorphism, quasigroup monomorphism and isomorphism can be defined as:

```

record IsQuasigroupMonomorphism ([_] : A → B) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ1 ⊔ ℓ2)
  where
    field
      isQuasigroupHomomorphism : IsQuasigroupHomomorphism [_]
      injective                  : Injective [_]

open IsQuasigroupHomomorphism isQuasigroupHomomorphism public

record IsQuasigroupIsomorphism ([_] : A → B) : Set (a ⊔ b ⊔ ℓ1 ⊔ ℓ2)
  where
    field
      isQuasigroupMonomorphism : IsQuasigroupMonomorphism [_]
      surjective                 : Surjective [_]

open IsQuasigroupMonomorphism isQuasigroupMonomorphism public

```

The loop homomorphism preserves left and right divisions along with the identity element. The homomorphism  $f$  preserves all the binary operations as quasigroup along with the identity element. That is if  $f : (L_1, \cdot, \backslash, /, e_1) \rightarrow (L_2, \circ, \backslash, /, e_2)$  is a loop homomorphism if it is a quasigroup homomorphism such that:

$$f(e_1) = e_2$$

where  $e_1$  is the identity element of loop  $L_1$  and  $e_2$  is the identity element of loop  $L_2$ . In Agda, loop homomorphism can be defined using quasigroup homomorphism as:

```

record IsLoopHomomorphism ([_] : A → B) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ1 ⊔ ℓ2) where
  field
    isQuasigroupHomomorphism : IsQuasigroupHomomorphism [_]
    ε-homo                    : Homomorphic0 [_] ε1 ε2

open IsQuasigroupHomomorphism isQuasigroupHomomorphism public

```

In the loop homomorphism defined above,  $\text{Homomorphic}_0$  is a structure preserving

map for a nullary element and is defined as:

```
Homomorphic0 : (A → B) → A → B → Set _
Homomorphic0 [_] · ◦ = [_] ≈ ◦
```

Similarly, loop monomorphism and loop isomorphism are defined in Agda as:

```
record IsLoopMonomorphism ([_] : A → B) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ1 ⊔ ℓ2) where
  field
    isLoopHomomorphism : IsLoopHomomorphism [_]
    injective           : Injective [_]

open IsLoopHomomorphism isLoopHomomorphism public

record IsLoopIsomorphism ([_] : A → B) : Set (a ⊔ b ⊔ ℓ1 ⊔ ℓ2) where
  field
    isLoopMonomorphism : IsLoopMonomorphism [_]
    surjective          : Surjective [_]

open IsLoopMonomorphism isLoopMonomorphism public
```

### 5.3 Morphism composition

If  $f$  is a morphism such that  $f : a \rightarrow b$  and  $g$  is a morphism such that  $g : b \rightarrow c$ , then composition of morphism can be defined as  $g \circ f : a \rightarrow c$ .



```

isQuasigroupHomomorphism
  : IsQuasigroupHomomorphism Q1 Q2 f
  → IsQuasigroupHomomorphism Q2 Q3 g
  → IsQuasigroupHomomorphism Q1 Q3 (g ∘ f)
isQuasigroupHomomorphism f-homo g-homo = record
  { isRelHomomorphism = isRelHomomorphism F.isRelHomomorphism
  - G.isRelHomomorphism
  ; ·-homo                = λ x y → ≈3-trans (G.[]-cong ( F.·-homo x y
  - )) ( G.·-homo (f x) (f y) )
  ; \\\-homo              = λ x y → ≈3-trans (G.[]-cong ( F.\\-homo x
  - y )) ( G.\\-homo (f x) (f y) )
  ; //-homo                = λ x y → ≈3-trans (G.[]-cong ( F.//-homo x
  - y )) ( G.//-homo (f x) (f y) )
  } where module F = IsQuasigroupHomomorphism f-homo;
        module G = IsQuasigroupHomomorphism g-homo

```

In the above quasigroup homomorphism composition,  $f$  is a homomorphism from quasigroup  $Q_1$  to  $Q_2$ ,  $g$  is a homomorphism from quasigroup  $Q_2$  to  $Q_3$ . `isRelHomomorphism` field gives the composition of homomorphism for a homogeneous binary relation ( $\approx$ ). We can prove that the composition for binary operations homomorphism ( $\cdot$ ) for quasigroup is homomorphic using transitive relation  $\approx_3$ -trans such that

$$g(f((Q_1 \cdot x)y)) \approx (g((Q_2 \cdot f x)(f y))) \text{ and } g((Q_2 \cdot f x)(f y)) \approx ((Q_3 \cdot g(f x))(g(f y)))$$

$$\Rightarrow g(f((Q_1 \cdot x)y)) \approx ((Q_3 \cdot g(f x))(g(f y)))$$

Similarly, composition of loop homomorphism is defined as:

```

isLoopHomomorphism
  : IsLoopHomomorphism L1 L2 f
  → IsLoopHomomorphism L2 L3 g
  → IsLoopHomomorphism L1 L3 (g ∘ f)
isLoopHomomorphism f-homo g-homo = record
  { isQuasigroupHomomorphism = isQuasigroupHomomorphism ≈3-trans
  - F.isQuasigroupHomomorphism G.isQuasigroupHomomorphism
    ; ε-homo = ≈3-trans (G.[]-cong F.ε-homo) G.ε-homo
  } where module F = IsLoopHomomorphism f-homo;
        module G = IsLoopHomomorphism g-homo

```

Monomorphism and isomorphism compositions constructs for quasigroup and loop are defined similar to homomorphism and can be found in Agda standard library.

## 5.4 Direct Product

The *direct product*  $M \times N$  of two quasigroups  $M$  and  $N$  is defined in Agda as:

```

quasigroup : Quasigroup a ℓ1 → Quasigroup b ℓ2 → Quasigroup (a ⊔ b)
  - (ℓ1 ⊔ ℓ2)
quasigroup M N = record
  { _\\_      = zip M._\\_ N._\\_
  ; _//_      = zip M._//_ N._//_
  ; isQuasigroup = record
    { isMagma = Magma.isMagma (magma M.magma N.magma)
    ; \\-cong = zip M.\\-cong N.\\-cong
    ; //-cong = zip M.//-cong N.//-cong
    ; leftDivides = (λ x y → M.leftDividesl , N.leftDividesl <*> x <*>
  - y) , (λ x y → M.leftDividesr , N.leftDividesr <*> x <*> y)
    ; rightDivides = (λ x y → M.rightDividesl , N.rightDividesl <*> x
  - <*> y) , (λ x y → M.rightDividesr , N.rightDividesr <*> x <*> y)
    }
  } where module M = Quasigroup M; module N = Quasigroup N

```

In the above code, `zip` gives a  $\Sigma$ -type of dependent pairs. `<*>` is used to convert the curried functions to a function on pair. Currying a function is to break down a function

that takes multiple arguments into a series of functions that take exactly one argument.

The direct product of loop structure can be defined similar to quasigroup as:

```

loop : Loop a  $\ell_1 \rightarrow$  Loop b  $\ell_2 \rightarrow$  Loop (a  $\sqcup$  b) ( $\ell_1 \sqcup \ell_2$ )
loop M N = record
  {  $\epsilon$  = M. $\epsilon$  , N. $\epsilon$ 
    ; isLoop = record
      { isQuasigroup = Quasigroup.isQuasigroup (quasigroup M.quasigroup
        ↪ N.quasigroup)
        ; identity = (M.identityl , N.identityl <*>_)
                    , (M.identityr , N.identityr <*>_)
      }
    }
where module M = Loop M; module N = Loop N

```

## 5.5 Properties

In this section we prove some properties of quasigroup, loop, middle bol loop, and moufang loop using Agda.

### 5.5.1 Properties of Quasigroup

Let  $(Q, \cdot, /, \backslash)$  be a quasigroup then:

1.  $Q$  is cancellative. A quasigroup is left cancellative if  $x \cdot y = x \cdot z$  then  $y = z$  and a quasigroup is right cancellative if  $y \cdot x = z \cdot x$  then  $y = z$ . A quasigroup is cancellative if it is both left and right cancellative.
2. If  $x \cdot y = z$  then  $y = x \backslash z$
3. If  $x \cdot y = z$  then  $x = z / y$

Proof:

1. **cancel<sup>l</sup>** : LeftCancellative  $\_.$   
cancel<sup>l</sup> x y z eq = begin  
y  $\approx$  ( sym ( leftDivides<sup>r</sup> x y ) )  
x \ ( x · y )  $\approx$  ( \-cong<sup>l</sup> eq )  
x \ ( x · z )  $\approx$  ( leftDivides<sup>r</sup> x z )  
z ■
  
- cancel<sup>r</sup>** : RightCancellative  $\_.$   
cancel<sup>r</sup> x y z eq = begin  
y  $\approx$  ( sym ( rightDivides<sup>r</sup> x y ) )  
( y · x ) // x  $\approx$  ( //-cong<sup>r</sup> eq )  
( z · x ) // x  $\approx$  ( rightDivides<sup>r</sup> x z )  
z ■
  
- cancel** : Cancellative  $\_.$   
cancel = cancel<sup>l</sup> , cancel<sup>r</sup>
  
2. **y≈x\z** :  $\forall x y z \rightarrow x \cdot y \approx z \rightarrow y \approx x \setminus z$   
y≈x\z x y z eq = begin  
y  $\approx$  ( sym ( leftDivides<sup>r</sup> x y ) )  
x \ ( x · y )  $\approx$  ( \-cong<sup>l</sup> eq )  
x \ z ■
  
3. **x≈z//y** :  $\forall x y z \rightarrow x \cdot y \approx z \rightarrow x \approx z // y$   
x≈z//y x y z eq = begin  
x  $\approx$  ( sym ( rightDivides<sup>r</sup> y x ) )  
( x · y ) // y  $\approx$  ( //-cong<sup>r</sup> eq )  
z // y ■

### 5.5.2 Properties of Loop

Properties of division operation holds for a loop.

Let  $(L, \cdot, /, \setminus)$  be a Loop with identity  $x \cdot e = x = e \cdot x$  then the following properties holds

1.  $x / x = e$

$$2. x \setminus x = e$$

$$3. e \setminus x = x$$

$$4. x / e = x$$

Proof:

1.  $x // x \approx e$  :  $\forall x \rightarrow x // x \approx e$   
 $x // x \approx e$  x = begin  
 $x // x \approx \langle //\text{-cong}^r (\text{sym} (\text{identity}^l x)) \rangle$   
 $(e \cdot x) // x \approx \langle \text{rightDivides}^r x e \rangle$   
 $e$  ■
2.  $x \setminus x \approx e$  :  $\forall x \rightarrow x \setminus x \approx e$   
 $x \setminus x \approx e$  x = begin  
 $x \setminus x \approx \langle \setminus\text{-cong}^l (\text{sym} (\text{identity}^r x)) \rangle$   
 $x \setminus (x \cdot e) \approx \langle \text{leftDivides}^r x e \rangle$   
 $e$  ■
3.  $e \setminus x \approx x$  :  $\forall x \rightarrow e \setminus x \approx x$   
 $e \setminus x \approx x$  x = begin  
 $e \setminus x \approx \langle \text{sym} (\text{identity}^l (e \setminus x)) \rangle$   
 $e \cdot (e \setminus x) \approx \langle \text{leftDivides}^l e x \rangle$   
 $x$  ■
4.  $x // e \approx x$  :  $\forall x \rightarrow x // e \approx x$   
 $x // e \approx x$  x = begin  
 $x // e \approx \langle \text{sym} (\text{identity}^r (x // e)) \rangle$   
 $(x // e) \cdot e \approx \langle \text{rightDivides}^l e x \rangle$   
 $x$  ■

### 5.5.3 Properties of Middle bol loop

Let  $(M, \cdot, /, \setminus)$  be a middle bol loop then the following identities holds.

1.  $x \cdot ((y \cdot x) \setminus x) = y \setminus x$
2.  $x \cdot ((x \cdot z) \setminus x) = x / z$
3.  $x \cdot (z \setminus x) = (x / z) \cdot x$
4.  $(x / (y \cdot z)) \cdot x = (x / z) \cdot (y \setminus x)$
5.  $(x / (y \cdot x)) \cdot x = y \setminus x$
6.  $(x / (x \cdot z)) \cdot x = x / z$

Proof:

1.  $\text{xyx} \setminus \setminus x \approx y \setminus \setminus x : \forall x y \rightarrow x \cdot ((y \cdot x) \setminus \setminus x) \approx y \setminus \setminus x$   
 $\text{xyx} \setminus \setminus x \approx y \setminus \setminus x \text{ x y} = \text{begin}$   
 $x \cdot ((y \cdot x) \setminus \setminus x) \approx \langle \text{middleBol } x \ y \ x \rangle$   
 $(x // x) \cdot (y \setminus \setminus x) \approx \langle \text{.-cong}^r (x // x \approx \epsilon \ x) \rangle$   
 $\epsilon \cdot (y \setminus \setminus x) \approx \langle \text{identity}^l ((y \setminus \setminus x)) \rangle$   
 $y \setminus \setminus x \quad \blacksquare$
2.  $\text{xxz} \setminus \setminus x \approx x // z : \forall x z \rightarrow x \cdot ((x \cdot z) \setminus \setminus x) \approx x // z$   
 $\text{xxz} \setminus \setminus x \approx x // z \text{ x z} = \text{begin}$   
 $x \cdot ((x \cdot z) \setminus \setminus x) \approx \langle \text{middleBol } x \ x \ z \rangle$   
 $(x // z) \cdot (x \setminus \setminus x) \approx \langle \text{.-cong}^l (x \setminus \setminus x \approx \epsilon \ x) \rangle$   
 $(x // z) \cdot \epsilon \approx \langle \text{identity}^r ((x // z)) \rangle$   
 $x // z \quad \blacksquare$
3.  $\text{xzx} \setminus \setminus x \approx x // zx : \forall x z \rightarrow x \cdot (z \setminus \setminus x) \approx (x // z) \cdot x$   
 $\text{xzx} \setminus \setminus x \approx x // zx \text{ x z} = \text{begin}$   
 $x \cdot (z \setminus \setminus x) \approx \langle \text{.-cong}^l (\setminus \setminus \text{-cong}^r (\text{sym } (\text{identity}^l z))) \rangle$   
 $x \cdot ((\epsilon \cdot z) \setminus \setminus x) \approx \langle \text{middleBol } x \ \epsilon \ z \rangle$   
 $x // z \cdot (\epsilon \setminus \setminus x) \approx \langle \text{.-cong}^l (\epsilon \setminus \setminus x \approx x \ x) \rangle$   
 $x // z \cdot x \quad \blacksquare$

4.  $x//yzx \approx x//zy \backslash \backslash x$  :  $\forall x y z \rightarrow (x // (y \cdot z)) \cdot x \approx (x // z) \cdot (y \backslash \backslash x)$   
 $x//yzx \approx x//zy \backslash \backslash x$  x y z = begin  
 $(x // (y \cdot z)) \cdot x \approx \langle \text{sym } (xz \backslash \backslash x \approx x // zx \text{ x } ((y \cdot z))) \rangle$   
 $x \cdot ((y \cdot z) \backslash \backslash x) \approx \langle \text{middleBol } x y z \rangle$   
 $(x // z) \cdot (y \backslash \backslash x) \blacksquare$
5.  $x//yxx \approx y \backslash \backslash x$  :  $\forall x y \rightarrow (x // (y \cdot x)) \cdot x \approx y \backslash \backslash x$   
 $x//yxx \approx y \backslash \backslash x$  x y = begin  
 $(x // (y \cdot x)) \cdot x \approx \langle x//yzx \approx x//zy \backslash \backslash x \text{ x y x } \rangle$   
 $(x // x) \cdot (y \backslash \backslash x) \approx \langle \text{--cong}^r (x//x \approx \epsilon \text{ x}) \rangle$   
 $\epsilon \cdot (y \backslash \backslash x) \approx \langle \text{identity}^l ((y \backslash \backslash x)) \rangle$   
 $y \backslash \backslash x \blacksquare$
6.  $x//xzx \approx x//z$  :  $\forall x z \rightarrow (x // (x \cdot z)) \cdot x \approx x // z$   
 $x//xzx \approx x//z$  x z = begin  
 $(x // (x \cdot z)) \cdot x \approx \langle x//yzx \approx x//zy \backslash \backslash x \text{ x x z } \rangle$   
 $(x // z) \cdot (x \backslash \backslash x) \approx \langle \text{--cong}^l (x \backslash \backslash x \approx \epsilon \text{ x}) \rangle$   
 $(x // z) \cdot \epsilon \approx \langle \text{identity}^r (x // z) \rangle$   
 $x // z \blacksquare$

### 5.5.4 Properties of Moufang Loop

Let  $(M, \cdot, /, \backslash)$  be a moufang loop then the following identities holds.

1. Moufang loop is alternative. A moufang loop is left alternative if it satisfies  $(x \cdot x) \cdot y = x \cdot (x \cdot y)$ , a moufang loop is right alternative if it satisfies  $x \cdot (y \cdot y) = (x \cdot y) \cdot y$  and if a moufang loop alternative if it is both left and right alternative.
2. Moufang loop is flexible. A Moufang loop is flexible if it satisfies flexible identity  
 $(x \cdot y) \cdot x = x \cdot (y \cdot x)$
3.  $z \cdot (x \cdot (z \cdot y)) = ((z \cdot x) \cdot z) \cdot y$

$$4. x \cdot (z \cdot (y \cdot z)) = ((x \cdot z) \cdot y) \cdot z$$

$$5. z \cdot ((x \cdot y) \cdot z) = (z \cdot (x \cdot y)) \cdot z$$

Proof:

1. **alternative<sup>l</sup>** : LeftAlternative \_.\_  

$$\begin{aligned} \text{alternative}^l x y &= \text{begin} \\ (x \cdot x) \cdot y &\approx \langle \cdot\text{-cong}^r (\cdot\text{-cong}^l (\text{sym} (\text{identity}^l x))) \rangle \\ (x \cdot (\epsilon \cdot x)) \cdot y &\approx \langle \text{sym} (\text{leftBol } x \epsilon y) \rangle \\ x \cdot (\epsilon \cdot (x \cdot y)) &\approx \langle \cdot\text{-cong}^l (\text{identity}^l ((x \cdot y))) \rangle \\ x \cdot (x \cdot y) &\blacksquare \end{aligned}$$
  
**alternative<sup>r</sup>** : RightAlternative \_.\_  

$$\begin{aligned} \text{alternative}^r x y &= \text{begin} \\ x \cdot (y \cdot y) &\approx \langle \cdot\text{-cong}^l (\cdot\text{-cong}^r (\text{sym} (\text{identity}^r y))) \rangle \\ x \cdot ((y \cdot \epsilon) \cdot y) &\approx \langle \text{sym} (\text{rightBol } y \epsilon x) \rangle \\ ((x \cdot y) \cdot \epsilon) \cdot y &\approx \langle \cdot\text{-cong}^r (\text{identity}^r ((x \cdot y))) \rangle \\ (x \cdot y) \cdot y &\blacksquare \end{aligned}$$
  
**alternative** : Alternative \_.\_  

$$\text{alternative} = \text{alternative}^l, \text{alternative}^r$$
2. **flex** : Flexible \_.\_  

$$\begin{aligned} \text{flex } x y &= \text{begin} \\ (x \cdot y) \cdot x &\approx \langle \cdot\text{-cong}^l (\text{sym} (\text{identity}^l x)) \rangle \\ (x \cdot y) \cdot (\epsilon \cdot x) &\approx \langle \text{identical } y \epsilon x \rangle \\ x \cdot ((y \cdot \epsilon) \cdot x) &\approx \langle \cdot\text{-cong}^l (\cdot\text{-cong}^r (\text{identity}^r y)) \rangle \\ x \cdot (y \cdot x) &\blacksquare \end{aligned}$$
3. **z·xzy≈zxz·y** :  $\forall x y z \rightarrow (z \cdot (x \cdot (z \cdot y))) \approx (((z \cdot x) \cdot z) \cdot y)$   

$$\begin{aligned} \text{z} \cdot \text{xzy} \approx \text{zxz} \cdot \text{y } x y z &= \text{sym} (\text{begin} \\ ((z \cdot x) \cdot z) \cdot y &\approx \langle \cdot\text{-cong}^r (\text{flex } z x) \rangle \\ (z \cdot (x \cdot z)) \cdot y &\approx \langle \text{sym} (\text{leftBol } z x y) \rangle \\ z \cdot (x \cdot (z \cdot y)) &\blacksquare \end{aligned}$$



4.  $x \cdot zyz \approx xzy \cdot z : \forall x y z \rightarrow (x \cdot (z \cdot (y \cdot z))) \approx (((x \cdot z) \cdot y) \cdot z)$   
 $x \cdot zyz \approx xzy \cdot z \quad x y z = \text{begin}$   
 $\quad x \cdot (z \cdot (y \cdot z)) \approx \langle \text{(-cong}^1 \text{ (sym (flex z y ))) } \rangle$   
 $\quad x \cdot ((z \cdot y) \cdot z) \approx \langle \text{sym (rightBol z y x)} \rangle$   
 $\quad ((x \cdot z) \cdot y) \cdot z \quad \blacksquare$
5.  $z \cdot xyz \approx zxy \cdot z : \forall x y z \rightarrow (z \cdot ((x \cdot y) \cdot z)) \approx ((z \cdot (x \cdot y)) \cdot z)$   
 $z \cdot xyz \approx zxy \cdot z \quad x y z = \text{sym (flex z (x \cdot y))}$

## Chapter 6

# Theory of Semigroup and Ring in Agda

In early 20th century, mathematician Hilbert proposed the  $H_{10}$  problem: does there exist a general approach to verify whether a general Diophantine equation is solvable[Larchey-Wendling and Forster(2020)]. Although this problem was solved by 1970, In 1987 Siekmann and Szabo concluded that the unification problem of  $D_A$ -rewriting system[Siekmann and Szabo(1989)] cannot be predicted. In [Deng et al.(2016)], the author uses a type  $(2,2,0)$  algebra that is a *semigroup* to give a general construct of  $D_A$ -rewriting system. Semigroup structures are also used in finite automata systems, probability theory and partial differential equations are explored in [Liaqat and Younas(2021)].

Similarly, *ring* is an algebraic structure that also have notable applications such as in number theory [britannica(2022)], in quantum computing [Netto et al.(2008)], in cryptography [hubpages(2022)], and many other fields. Variations of ring structure such as a near-ring, quasi-ring, and Non-associative ring are being explored to make ring theory (study of ring structures), more dynamic, concrete and useable. Now, the question arises: how can we encode these structures in Agda? We will explore this question in this chapter. The aim of this chapter is to define these structures and prove some properties

in the Agda standard library that can help build other systems that uses these structures.

## 6.1 Definition

A magma is an algebraic structure with a set  $S$  and a binary operation  $\cdot$  such that,  $\forall x, y \in S \Rightarrow (x \cdot y) \in S$ . Following Figure 1.1, we may observe that we can derive semigroups from magma by adding associative property. For binary operation  $\cdot$  on a set  $S$ , the associative property is defined as

$$\forall x y z \in S, x \cdot (y \cdot z) = (x \cdot y) \cdot z \quad (6.1.1)$$

A semigroup that satisfies commutative property is called commutative semigroup. For binary operation  $\cdot$  on a set  $S$ , commutative property is defined as

$$\forall x y \in S, x \cdot y = y \cdot x \quad (6.1.2)$$

In Agda, we can define associativity and commutativity as follows:

```
Associative : Op2 A → Set _
Associative _ = ∀ x y z → ((x · y) · z) ≈ (x · (y · z))
```

```
Commutative : Op2 A → Set _
Commutative _ = ∀ x y → (x · y) ≈ (y · x)
```

With this declaration of associativity and commutativity, we may further restrict the operations used to build a magma to one that is also associative to make it a semigroup.

This we obtain the code below, semigroup that is structurally derived from magma.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Semigroup and commutative semigroup structure definitions with direct product and morphism constructs were previously defined in Agda standard library and hence will not be discussed in details in this chapter.

```

record IsSemigroup ( $\cdot$  :  $\text{Op}_2$  A) : Set (a  $\sqcup$   $\ell$ ) where
field
  isMagma : IsMagma  $\cdot$ 
  assoc    : Associative  $\cdot$ 

open IsMagma isMagma public

```

In the above definition `IsSemigroup` is a record type with two fields `isMagma` and `assoc`.  $\cdot$  is a parameter of type  $\text{Op}_2$  A denotes the binary operation for the semiring.  $a \sqcup \ell$  is the least upper bound for the set. Similarly, commutative semigroup can be derived from semigroup as:

```

record IsCommutativeSemigroup ( $\cdot$  :  $\text{Op}_2$  A) : Set (a  $\sqcup$   $\ell$ ) where
field
  isSemigroup : IsSemigroup  $\cdot$ 
  comm        : Commutative  $\cdot$ 

open IsSemigroup isSemigroup public

```

Continuing on, we may encode various ring structures as follows: Non-associative ring on set  $R$  is an algebraic structure with two binary operations (+) addition and (\*) multiplication. Addition  $(R, +, ^{-1}, 0)$  is an Abelian group that is a group with commutative property. Multiplication  $(R, *, 1)$  is a unital magma that is a magma with identity. A group is a monoid with inverse property and a monoid is a semigroup with an identity element. A magma is called unital if it has identity. In non-associative ring, multiplication distributes over addition, and it has an annihilating zero. Formally, `nonAssociativeRing`  $(R, +, *, ^{-1}, 0, 1)$  should satisfy the following axioms:

- $(R, +, ^{-1}, 0)$  is an Abelian Group:
  - Associativity:  $\forall x, y, z \in R, x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z$
  - commutativity:  $\forall x, y \in R, (x + y) = (y + x)$

- Identity:  $\forall x \in R, (x + 0) = x = (0 + x)$
- Inverse:  $\forall x \in R, (x + x^{-1}) = 0 = (x^{-1} + x)$
- $(R, *, 1)$  is a unital magma
  - Identity:  $\forall x, y \in R, (x * 1) = x = (1 * x)$
- Multiplication distributes over addition:  $\forall x, y, z \in R, (x * (y + z)) = (x * y) + (x * z)$   
and  $(x + y) * z = (x * z) + (y * z)$
- Annihilating zero:  $\forall x \in R, (x * 0) = 0 = (0 * x)$

```

record IsNonAssociativeRing (+ * : Op2 A) (-_ : Op1 A) (0# 1# : A) :
  ↳ Set (a ⊔ ℓ) where
  field
    +-isAbelianGroup : IsAbelianGroup + 0# -_
    *-cong           : Congruent2 *
    *-identity       : Identity 1# *
    distrib          : * DistributesOver +
    zero             : Zero 0# *

open IsAbelianGroup +-isAbelianGroup public

```

We don't define `IsNonAssociativeRing` with `*-isUnitalMagma` to remove the redundant equivalence relation. This is discussed in Chapter 8. The same technique is followed when defining other ring like structures.

A quasiring is a type  $(2, 2, 0, 0)$  algebraic structure for which both addition and multiplication is a monoid and multiplication distributes over addition, and has an annihilating zero. A quasiring  $(Q, +, *, 0, 1)$  should satisfy the following axioms:

- $(Q, +, 0)$  is a monoid:
  - Associativity:  $\forall x, y, z \in Q, x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z$

- Identity:  $\forall x \in Q, (x + 0) = x = (0 + x)$
- $(Q, *, 1)$  is a monoid:
  - Associativity:  $\forall x, y, z \in Q : x * (y * z) = (x * y) * z$
  - Identity:  $\forall x \in Q, (x * 1) = x = (1 * x)$
- Multiplication distributes over addition:  $\forall x, y, z \in Q, (x * (y + z)) = (x * y) + (x * z)$   
and  $(x + y) * z = (x * z) + (y * z)$
- Annihilating zero:  $\forall x \in Q, (x * 0) = 0 = (0 * x)$

```

record IsQuasiring (+ * : Op2 A) (0# 1# : A) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ) where
  field
    +-isMonoid      : IsMonoid + 0#
    *-cong          : Congruent2 *
    *-assoc         : Associative *
    *-identity      : Identity 1# *
    distrib         : * DistributesOver +
    zero            : Zero 0# *

open IsMonoid +-isMonoid public

```

A quasiring with additive inverse is called a nearring. This implies that for the structure nearring, addition is a group, multiplication is a monoid, multiplication distributes over addition, and has an annihilating zero.

```

record IsNearing (+ * : Op2 A) (0# 1# : A) (⁻¹ : Op1 A) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ) where
  field
    isQuasiring      : IsQuasiring + * 0# 1#
    +-inverse        : Inverse 0# ⁻¹ +
    -¹-cong          : Congruent1 -¹

open IsQuasiring isQuasiring public

```

Ring without one or rig or ring without unit is an algebraic structure with two binary operations with a unary and a nullary operations. For RingWithoutOne, multiplication distributes over addition and has an annihilating zero. A ringWithoutOne  $(R, +, *, ^{-1}, 0)$  should satisfy the following axiom:

- $(R, +, ^{-1}, 0)$  is an Abelian Group:
  - Associativity:  $\forall x, y, z \in R, x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z$
  - commutativity:  $\forall x, y \in R, (x + y) = (y + x)$
  - Identity:  $\forall x \in R, (x + 0) = x = (0 + x)$
  - Inverse:  $\forall x \in R, (x + x^{-1}) = 0 = (x^{-1} + x)$
- $(R, *)$  is a semigroup
  - Associativity:  $\forall x, y, z \in R, x * (y * z) = (x * y) * z$
- Multiplication distributes over addition:  $\forall x, y, z \in R, (x * (y + z)) = (x * y) + (x * z)$   
and  $(x + y) * z = (x * z) + (y * z)$
- Annihilating zero:  $\forall x \in R, (x * 0) = 0 = (0 * x)$

```
record IsRingWithoutOne (+ * : Op2 A) (-_ : Op1 A) (0# : A) : Set (a ⊔
  _ ℓ) where
  field
    +-isAbelianGroup : IsAbelianGroup + 0# -_
    *-cong           : Congruent2 *
    *-assoc          : Associative *
    distrib          : * DistributesOver +
    zero             : Zero 0# *

open IsAbelianGroup +-isAbelianGroup public
```

## 6.2 Morphism

A structure preserving map between two structures is called *morphism*. In this section morphism of RingWithoutOne structure is discussed. The homomorphism for ringWithoutOne structure can be defined using group homomorphism. For two group structures  $(G_1, +_1, ^{-1}, e_1)$  and  $(G_2, +_2, ^{-1}, e_2)$ , homomorphism  $f : (G_1, +_1, ^{-1}, e_1) \rightarrow (G_2, +_2, ^{-1}, e_2)$  is a structure preserving map such that:

- $f$  preserves the binary operation:  $f(x +_1 y) = f(x) +_2 f(y)$
- $f$  preserves the inverse operation:  $f(x^{-1}) = f(x)^{-1}$
- $f$  preserves the identity:  $f(e_1) = e_2$  where  $e_1$  is the identity in  $G_1$  and  $e_2$  is the identity in  $G_2$

Homomorphism for ringWithoutOne is extended from group homomorphism such that got two ringWithoutOne structures  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , the homomorphism  $f : R_1 \rightarrow R_2$  is a group homomorphism and preserves the multiplication operation. That is  $f$  is a group homomorphism and  $f(x *_1 y) = f(x) *_2 f(y)$ .

```
record IsRingWithoutOneHomomorphism ([_] : A → B) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ1 ⊔ ℓ2)
  where
    field
      +-isGroupHomomorphism : +.IsGroupHomomorphism [_]
      *-homo : Homomorphic2 [_] *_1 *_2

open +.IsGroupHomomorphism +-isGroupHomomorphism public
renaming (homo to +-homo; e-homo to 0#-homo;
  isMagmaHomomorphism to +-isMagmaHomomorphism)
```

In the above definition of ringWithoutOne homomorphism IsRingWithoutOneHomomorphism is defined as a record type with two fields +-isGroupHomomorphism and \*-homo. A Homomorphism that is injective is called monomorphism and can be defined as:



```

record IsRingWithoutOneMonomorphism ([_] : A → B) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ1 ⊔ ℓ2)
  where
    field
      isRingWithoutOneHomomorphism : IsRingWithoutOneHomomorphism [_]
      injective                      : Injective [_]

open IsRingWithoutOneHomomorphism isRingWithoutOneHomomorphism
  public

```

A monomorphism that is bijective is called an isomorphism. Isomorphism of ring-WithoutOne structure can be defined as:

```

record IsRingWithoutOneIsoMorphism ([_] : A → B) : Set (a ⊔ b ⊔ ℓ1 ⊔ ℓ2)
  where
    field
      isRingWithoutOneMonomorphism : IsRingWithoutOneMonomorphism [_]
      surjective                    : Surjective [_]

open IsRingWithoutOneMonomorphism isRingWithoutOneMonomorphism
  public

```

## 6.3 Morphism composition

If  $f$  is a morphism such that  $f : a \rightarrow b$  and  $g$  is a morphism such that  $g : b \rightarrow c$ , then composition of morphism can be defined as  $g \circ f : a \rightarrow c$ .

```

isRingWithoutOneHomomorphism
  : IsRingWithoutOneHomomorphism R1 R2 f
  → IsRingWithoutOneHomomorphism R2 R3 g
  → IsRingWithoutOneHomomorphism R1 R3 (g ∘ f)
isRingWithoutOneHomomorphism f-homo g-homo = record
  { +-isGroupHomomorphism = isGroupHomomorphism ≈3-trans
    F.+isGroupHomomorphism G.+isGroupHomomorphism
  ; *-homo
    = λ x y → ≈3-trans
      (G.[_]-cong (F.*-homo x y)) (G.*-homo (f x) (f y))
  } where module F = IsRingWithoutOneHomomorphism f-homo;
    module G = IsRingWithoutOneHomomorphism g-homo

```

In the above ringWithoutOne homomorphism composition,  $f$  is a homomorphism from ringWithoutOne structures  $R_1$  to  $R_2$ ,  $g$  is a homomorphism from ringWithoutOne structures  $R_2$  to  $R_3$ . `isGroupHomomorphism field` gives the composition of group homomorphism. We can define the composition for binary operations homomorphism (\*) using transitive relation  $\approx_3$ -trans from  $R_1$  to  $R_3$  such that

$$g(f((R_1 * x)y)) \approx (g((R_2 * fx)(fy)) \text{ and } g((R_2 * fx)(fy))) \approx ((R_3 * g(fx))(g(fy)))$$

$$\Rightarrow g(f((R_1 * x)y)) \approx ((R_3 * g(fx))(g(fy)))$$

## 6.4 Direct Product

The *direct product* of ring like structures in Agda.

```

ringWithoutOne : RingWithoutOne a  $\ell_1 \rightarrow$ 
                  RingWithoutOne b  $\ell_2 \rightarrow$  RingWithoutOne (a  $\sqcup$  b) ( $\ell_1 \sqcup$ 
 $\ell_2$ )
ringWithoutOne R S = record
  { isRingWithoutOne = record
    { +-isAbelianGroup = AbelianGroup.isAbelianGroup
      ((abelianGroup R.+--abelianGroup S.+--abelianGroup))
    ; *-cong           = Semigroup.-cong
      (semigroup R.*-semigroup S.*-semigroup)
    ; *-assoc          = Semigroup.assoc (semigroup R.*-semigroup
 $\ell_1$  S.*-semigroup)
    ; distrib           = ( $\lambda$  x y z  $\rightarrow$ 
      (R.distrib $^{\ell_1}$  , S.distrib $^{\ell_1}$ ) <*> x <*> y <*> z)
      , ( $\lambda$  x y z  $\rightarrow$ 
      (R.distrib $^r$  , S.distrib $^r$ ) <*> x <*> y <*> z)
    ; zero              = uncurry ( $\lambda$  x y  $\rightarrow$  R.zero $^{\ell_1}$  x , S.zero $^{\ell_1}$  y)
      , uncurry ( $\lambda$  x y  $\rightarrow$  R.zero $^r$  x , S.zero $^r$  y)
    }
  }

} where module R = RingWithoutOne R; module S = RingWithoutOne S

```

The definition of direct product is similar to quasigroups discussed in Chapter 5. The direct products of `nonAssociativeRing`, `quasiring`, and `nearring` can be defined similar to `ringWithoutOne`. These definitions can be found in the Agda standard library.

## 6.5 Properties

With these definitions, we can prove some frequently used properties and theories about the structures.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>2</sup>This section provides proof for properties that was contributed by the author and other properties can be found in Agda standard library.

### 6.5.1 Properties of Semigroup

Let  $(S, \cdot)$  be a semigroup then

1.  $S$  is alternative. The Semigroup  $S$  left alternative if  $(x \cdot x) \cdot y = x \cdot (x \cdot y)$  and right alternative is  $x \cdot (y \cdot y) = (x \cdot y) \cdot y$ . Semigroup is said to be alternative if it is both left and right alternative.
2.  $S$  is flexible. The Semigroup  $S$  is flexible if  $x \cdot (y \cdot x) = (x \cdot y) \cdot x$ .
3.  $S$  has Jordan identity. Jordan identity for binary operation  $\cdot$  can be defined on set  $S$  as  $(x \cdot y) \cdot (x \cdot x) = x \cdot (y \cdot (x \cdot x))$ .

Proof:

1. `alternativel` : LeftAlternative `_·_`  
`alternativel x y = assoc x x y`  
  
`alternativer` : RightAlternative `_·_`  
`alternativer x y = sym (assoc x y y)`  
  
`alternative` : Alternative `_·_`  
`alternative = alternativel , alternativer`
2. `flexible` : Flexible `_·_`  
`flexible x y = assoc x y x`
3. `xy·xx≈x·yxx` :  $\forall x y \rightarrow (x \cdot y) \cdot (x \cdot x) \approx x \cdot (y \cdot (x \cdot x))$   
`xy·xx≈x·yxx x y = assoc x y ((x · x))`

### 6.5.2 Properties of Commutative Semigroup

Let  $(S, \cdot)$  be a commutative semigroup then

1. S is semimedial. The semigroup S is left semimedial if  $(x \cdot x) \cdot (y \cdot z) = (x \cdot y) \cdot (x \cdot z)$  and right semimedial if  $(y \cdot z) \cdot (x \cdot x) = (y \cdot x) \cdot (z \cdot x)$ . A structure is semimedial if it is both left and right semimedial.
2. S is middle semimedial. The semigroup S is middle semimedial if  $(x \cdot y) \cdot (z \cdot x) = (x \cdot z) \cdot (y \cdot x)$

Proof:

```

1. semimediall : LeftSemimedial _._
  semimediall x y z = begin
    (x · x) · (y · z) ≈⟨ assoc x x (y · z) ⟩
    x · (x · (y · z)) ≈⟨ ·-congl (sym (assoc x y z)) ⟩
    x · ((x · y) · z) ≈⟨ ·-congl (·-congr (comm x y)) ⟩
    x · ((y · x) · z) ≈⟨ ·-congl (assoc y x z) ⟩
    x · (y · (x · z)) ≈⟨ sym (assoc x y ((x · z))) ⟩
    (x · y) · (x · z) ■

semimedialr : RightSemimedial _._
  semimedialr x y z = begin
    (y · z) · (x · x) ≈⟨ assoc y z (x · x) ⟩
    y · (z · (x · x)) ≈⟨ ·-congl (sym (assoc z x x)) ⟩
    y · ((z · x) · x) ≈⟨ ·-congl (·-congr (comm z x)) ⟩
    y · ((x · z) · x) ≈⟨ ·-congl (assoc x z x) ⟩
    y · (x · (z · x)) ≈⟨ sym (assoc y x ((z · x))) ⟩
    (y · x) · (z · x) ■

semimedial : Semimedial _._
  semimedial = semimediall , semimedialr

```

2. `middleSemimedial` :  $\forall x y z \rightarrow (x \cdot y) \cdot (z \cdot x) \approx (x \cdot z) \cdot (y \cdot x)$

```
middleSemimedial x y z = begin
  (x · y) · (z · x) ≈⟨ assoc x y ((z · x)) ⟩
  x · (y · (z · x)) ≈⟨ ·-congl (sym (assoc y z x)) ⟩
  x · ((y · z) · x) ≈⟨ ·-congl (·-congr (comm y z)) ⟩
  x · ((z · y) · x) ≈⟨ ·-congl (assoc z y x) ⟩
  x · (z · (y · x)) ≈⟨ sym (assoc x z ((y · x))) ⟩
  (x · z) · (y · x) ■
```

### 6.5.3 Properties of Ring without one

Let  $(R, +, *, -, 0)$  be ring without one structure then:

1.  $-(x * y) = -x * y$
2.  $-(x * y) = x * -y$

Proof:

1. `-∪distribl-*` :  $\forall x y \rightarrow -(x * y) \approx -x * y$

```
-∪distribl-* x y = sym $ begin
  - x * y
    ≈⟨ sym $ +-identityr (- x * y) ⟩
  - x * y + 0#
    ≈⟨ +-congl $ sym ( -∪inverser (x * y) ) ⟩
  - x * y + (x * y + - (x * y))
    ≈⟨ sym $ +-assoc (- x * y) (x * y) (- (x * y)) ⟩
  - x * y + x * y + - (x * y)
    ≈⟨ +-congr $ sym ( distribr y (- x) x ) ⟩
  (- x + x) * y + - (x * y)
    ≈⟨ +-congr $ *-congr $ -∪inversel x ⟩
  0# * y + - (x * y)
    ≈⟨ +-congr $ zerol y ⟩
  0# + - (x * y)
    ≈⟨ +-identityl (- (x * y)) ⟩
  - (x * y)
  ■
```

2.  $\neg \text{distrib}^r - * : \forall x y \rightarrow - (x * y) \approx x * - y$   
 $\neg \text{distrib}^r - * x y = \text{sym } \$ \text{ begin}$   
 $x * - y$   
 $\approx \langle \text{sym } \$ +-identity^l (x * (- y)) \rangle$   
 $0\# + x * - y$   
 $\approx \langle +-cong^r \$ \text{sym } ( \neg inverse^l (x * y) ) \rangle$   
 $- (x * y) + x * y + x * - y$   
 $\approx \langle +-assoc (- (x * y)) (x * y) (x * (- y)) \rangle$   
 $- (x * y) + (x * y + x * - y)$   
 $\approx \langle +-cong^l \$ \text{sym } ( \text{distrib}^l x y (- y) ) \rangle$   
 $- (x * y) + x * (y + - y)$   
 $\approx \langle +-cong^l \$ *-cong^l \$ \neg inverse^r y \rangle$   
 $- (x * y) + x * 0\#$   
 $\approx \langle +-cong^l \$ zero^r x \rangle$   
 $- (x * y) + 0\#$   
 $\approx \langle +-identity^r (- (x * y)) \rangle$   
 $- (x * y)$   
 $\blacksquare$

#### 6.5.4 Properties of Ring

Let  $(R, +, *, -, 0, 1)$  be a ring structure then

1.  $-1 * x = -x$
2. if  $x + x = 0$  then  $x = 0$
3.  $x * (y - z) = x * y - x * z$
4.  $(y - z) * x = (y * x) - (z * x)$

Proof:

1.  $-1 * x \approx -x : \forall x \rightarrow - 1\# * x \approx - x$   
 $-1 * x \approx -x x = \text{begin}$   
 $- 1\# * x \approx \langle \text{sym } ( \neg \text{distrib}^l - * 1\# x ) \rangle$   
 $- (1\# * x) \approx \langle \neg \text{cong } ( *-identity^l x ) \rangle$   
 $- x$   
 $\blacksquare$

2.  $x+x \approx x \Rightarrow x \approx 0$  :  $\forall x \rightarrow x + x \approx x \rightarrow x \approx 0$ #  
 $x+x \approx x \Rightarrow x \approx 0$  x eq = begin  
 $x \approx \langle \text{sym}(+-\text{identity}^r x) \rangle$   
 $x + 0 \# \approx \langle +-cong^l (\text{sym} (-\neg \text{inverse}^r x)) \rangle$   
 $x + (x - x) \approx \langle \text{sym} (+-assoc x x (- x)) \rangle$   
 $x + x - x \approx \langle +-cong^r(\text{eq}) \rangle$   
 $x - x \approx \langle -\neg \text{inverse}^r x \rangle$   
 $0 \#$  ■
3.  $x[y-z] \approx xy - xz$  :  $\forall x y z \rightarrow x * (y - z) \approx x * y - x * z$   
 $x[y-z] \approx xy - xz$  x y z = begin  
 $x * (y - z) \approx \langle \text{distrib}^l x y (- z) \rangle$   
 $x * y + x * - z \approx \langle +-cong^l (\text{sym} (-\neg \text{distrib}^r -* x z)) \rangle$   
 $x * y - x * z$  ■
4.  $[y-z]x \approx yx - zx$  :  $\forall x y z \rightarrow (y - z) * x \approx (y * x) - (z * x)$   
 $[y-z]x \approx yx - zx$  x y z = begin  
 $(y - z) * x \approx \langle \text{distrib}^r x y (- z) \rangle$   
 $y * x + - z * x \approx \langle +-cong^l (\text{sym} (-\neg \text{distrib}^l -* z x)) \rangle$   
 $y * x - z * x$  ■



# Chapter 7

## Theory of Kleene Algebra in Agda

Kleene algebra is an algebraic structure named after Stephen Cole Kleene, for his contribution in the field of finite automata and regular expressions. Kleene algebras are used in various fields such as relational algebra, automata and formal theory, design and analysis of algorithms and program analysis and compiler optimization [Kozen(1997)]. Kleene algebra generalizes operations from regular expressions. The axiomization of the algebra if regular events was recently proposed in 1966 but it was in 1984, a completeness theorem for relational algebra with a proper subclass of Kleene algebra was given [Kozen(1994)]. Although there are some differences in axioms of Kleene algebra, in this chapter we consider the axioms defined in [Kozen(1994)]

### 7.1 Definition

A set  $S$  with two binary operations  $+$  and  $*$  generally called addition and multiplication such that  $(S, +, 0)$  is a commutative monoid,  $(S, *, 1)$  is a monoid, and  $*$  distributes over  $+$  with annihilating zero is called a semiring. A semiring satisfying idempotent property

is called idempotent semiring. An idempotentSemiring  $(S, +, *, 0, 1)$  should satisfy the following axioms:

- $(S, +, 0)$  is a commutative monoid:
  - Associativity:  $\forall x, y, z \in S, x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z$
  - Identity:  $\forall x \in S, (x + 0) = x = (0 + x)$
  - Commutativity:  $\forall x, y \in S, (x + y) = (y + x)$
- $(S, *, 1)$  is a monoid:
  - Associativity:  $\forall x, y, z \in S, x * (y * z) = (x * y) * z$
  - Identity:  $\forall x \in S, (x * 1) = x = (1 * x)$
- Idempotent:  $\forall x \in S, (x + x) = x$
- Multiplication distributes over addition:  $\forall x, y, z \in S, (x * (y + z)) = (x * y) + (x * z)$   
and  $(x + y) * z = (x * z) + (y * z)$
- Annihilating zero:  $\forall x \in S, (x * 0) = 0 = (0 * x)$

A Kleene Algebra over set  $S$  that is an idempotent semiring with unary operator  $(^*)$  that satisfies the following axioms.

$$\forall x \in S: 1 + (x \cdot (x^*)) \leq x^* \quad (7.1.1)$$

$$\forall x \in S: 1 + (x^*) \cdot x \leq x^* \quad (7.1.2)$$

$$\forall a, b, x \in S: \text{If } b + a \cdot x \leq x \text{ then, } (a^*) \cdot b \leq x \quad (7.1.3)$$

$$\forall a, b, x \in S: \text{If } b + x \cdot a \leq x \text{ then, } b \cdot (a^*) \leq x \quad (7.1.4)$$

where  $\leq$  refers to the natural partial order:

$$a \leq b \leftrightarrow a + b = b$$

In Agda we define the partial order axioms in terms of equality.<sup>1</sup>

```
StarRightExpansive : A → Op2 A → Op2 A → Op1 A → Set _
StarRightExpansive e _+ _· _* = ∀ x → (e + (x · (x *))) + (x *) ≈
  _ (x *)
```

```
StarLeftExpansive : A → Op2 A → Op2 A → Op1 A → Set _
StarLeftExpansive e _+ _· _* = ∀ x → (e + ((x *) · x)) + (x *) ≈
  _ (x *)
```

```
StarExpansive : A → Op2 A → Op2 A → Op1 A → Set _
StarExpansive e _+ _· _* = (StarLeftExpansive e _+ _· _*) ×
  _ (StarRightExpansive e _+ _· _*)
```

```
StarLeftDestructive : Op2 A → Op2 A → Op1 A → Set _
StarLeftDestructive _+ _· _* = ∀ a b x → (b + (a · x)) + x ≈ x →
  _ ((a *) · b) + x ≈ x
```

```
StarRightDestructive : Op2 A → Op2 A → Op1 A → Set _
StarRightDestructive _+ _· _* = ∀ a b x → (b + (x · a)) + x ≈ x →
  _ (b · (a *)) + x ≈ x
```

```
StarDestructive : Op2 A → Op2 A → Op1 A → Set _
StarDestructive _+ _· _* = (StarLeftDestructive _+ _· _*) ×
  _ (StarRightDestructive _+ _· _*)
```

<sup>1</sup>Kleene algebra with partial and pre order structures are defined in "Algebra.Ordered.Structures" in Agda standard library.

The Kleene algebra can be structurally derived from idempotent semiring. In Agda standard library,  $+$  and  $*$  operations are used to denote addition and multiplication. To keep the same template,  $\star$  symbol is selected to denote the unary star operation.

```
record IsKleeneAlgebra (+ * : Op2 A) (★ : Op1 A) (0# 1# : A) : Set (a
  ⊆ ⊔ ℓ) where
  field
    isIdempotentSemiring : IsIdempotentSemiring + * 0# 1#
    starExpansive         : StarExpansive 1# + * ★
    starDestructive       : StarDestructive + * ★

  open IsIdempotentSemiring isIdempotentSemiring public
```

In the above definition, `IsKleeneAlgebra` structure is defined as a record type with three fields. Since  $*$  is used to denote binary multiplication operation, we use  $\star$  for the unary star operator. The field `isIdempotentSemiring` makes an `idempotentSemiring` with operator  $+$ ,  $*$ ,  $0\#$ , and  $1\#$ . Fields `starExpansive` and `starDestructive` are used to give the axioms for the star operator. We open `isIdempotentSemiring` to bring its definitions into scope.

## 7.2 Morphism

A morphism of Kleene algebra is a function between two Kleene algebras that preserves the algebraic structure of the underlying semiring and the Kleene star operation. Morphisms of Kleene algebra are important in the study of regular languages and automata, as they allow us to relate the behavior of different automata and regular expressions to each other. Morphism of Kleene algebra help to generalize the theory of regular languages and finite automata to more general algebraic structures.

For Kleene algebra  $(K_1, +_1, *_1, {}^{*1}, 0_1, 1_1)$  and  $(K_2, +_2, *_2, {}^{*2}, 0_2, 1_2)$ , the homomorphism

$f : K_1 \rightarrow K_2$  can be defined by using the homomorphism of structure idempotent semiring and preserving the  $*$  operator. Formally,  $f : K_1 \rightarrow K_2$  is a structure preserving map such that:

- $f$  preserves binary operation  $+$ :  $f(x +_1 y) = f(x) +_2 f(y)$
- $f$  preserves binary operation  $*$ :  $f(x *_1 y) = f(x) *_2 f(y)$
- $f$  preserves additive identity:  $f(0_1) = 0_2$
- $f$  preserves multiplicative identity:  $f(1_1) = 1_2$
- $f$  preserves star operation:  $f(x^{*1}) = f(x)^{*2}$

```
record IsKleeneAlgebraHomomorphism ([_] : A → B) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ1 ⊔ ℓ2)
  where
  field
    isSemiringHomomorphism : IsSemiringHomomorphism [_]
    ★-homo : Homomorphic1 [_] _★_ _★_

open IsSemiringHomomorphism isSemiringHomomorphism public
```

In Agda, `Homomorphic1` is used to give the homomorphism for unary operation, and is defined as:

```
Homomorphic1 : (A → B) → Op1 A → Op1 B → Set _
Homomorphic1 [_] ·_ ∘_ = ∀ x → [ · x ] ≈ (∘ [ x ])
```

A Kleene algebra homomorphism which is injective gives a monomorphism.

```
record IsKleeneAlgebraMonomorphism ([_] : A → B) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ1 ⊔ ℓ2)
  where
  field
    isKleeneAlgebraHomomorphism : IsKleeneAlgebraHomomorphism [_]
    injective : Injective [_]

open IsKleeneAlgebraHomomorphism isKleeneAlgebraHomomorphism public
```

A surjective monomorphism of a Kleene algebra gives isomorphism.

```

record IsKleeneAlgebraIsomorphism ([_] : A → B) : Set (a ⊔ b ⊔ ℓ1 ⊔
  ⊔ ℓ2) where
field
  isKleeneAlgebraMonomorphism : IsKleeneAlgebraMonomorphism [_]
  surjective : Surjective [_]

open IsKleeneAlgebraMonomorphism isKleeneAlgebraMonomorphism public

```

### 7.3 Morphism composition

If  $f$  is a morphism such that  $f : a \rightarrow b$  and  $g$  is a morphism such that  $g : b \rightarrow c$ , then composition of morphism can be defined as  $g \circ f : a \rightarrow c$ .

```

isKleeneAlgebraHomomorphism
: IsKleeneAlgebraHomomorphism K1 K2 f
→ IsKleeneAlgebraHomomorphism K2 K3 g
→ IsKleeneAlgebraHomomorphism K1 K3 (g ∘ f)
isKleeneAlgebraHomomorphism f-homo g-homo = record
{ isSemiringHomomorphism = isSemiringHomomorphism ≈3-trans
  ⊔ F.isSemiringHomomorphism G.isSemiringHomomorphism
; ★-homo = λ x → ≈3-trans (G.[_]-cong (F.★-homo x))
  ⊔ (G.★-homo (f x))
} where module F = IsKleeneAlgebraHomomorphism f-homo; module G =
  ⊔ IsKleeneAlgebraHomomorphism g-homo

```

In the above quasigroup homomorphism composition,  $f$  is a homomorphism from Kleene algebra  $K_1$  to  $K_2$ ,  $g$  is a homomorphism from Kleene algebra  $K_2$  to  $K_3$ . The proof for homomorphism composition is homomorphic is given using the proof for semiring homomorphism composition.  $\star$ -homo gives composition for star operator using transitive relation such that:

$$g(f(x^{*1})) = (g(fx)^{*2}) \text{ and } (g(fx)^{*2}) = (g(fx))^{*3}$$

$$\Rightarrow g(f(x^{*1})) = (g(fx))^{*3}$$

The composition of monomorphism and isomorphism can be defined similar to homomorphism and can be found in Agda standard library.

## 7.4 Direct Product

The *direct product* of two Kleene algebra structures in Agda is defined using the product definition of idempotent semiring structure as:

```

KleeneAlgebra : KleeneAlgebra a  $\ell_1$   $\rightarrow$  KleeneAlgebra b  $\ell_2$   $\rightarrow$ 
   $\rightarrow$  KleeneAlgebra (a  $\sqcup$  b) ( $\ell_1 \sqcup \ell_2$ )
KleeneAlgebra K L = record
{ isKleeneAlgebra = record
  { isIdempotentSemiring = IdempotentSemiring.isIdempotentSemiring
   $\rightarrow$  (idempotentSemiring K.idempotentSemiring L.idempotentSemiring)
    ; starExpansive = ( $\lambda$  x  $\rightarrow$  (K.starExpansivel , L.starExpansivel)
   $\rightarrow$   $\langle * \rangle$  x)
    , ( $\lambda$  x  $\rightarrow$  (K.starExpansiver , L.starExpansiver)
   $\rightarrow$   $\langle * \rangle$  x)
    ; starDestructive = ( $\lambda$  a b x x1  $\rightarrow$  (K.starDestructivel ,
   $\rightarrow$  L.starDestructivel)  $\langle * \rangle$  a  $\langle * \rangle$  b  $\langle * \rangle$  x  $\langle * \rangle$  x1)
    , ( $\lambda$  a b x x1  $\rightarrow$  (K.starDestructiver ,
   $\rightarrow$  L.starDestructiver)  $\langle * \rangle$  a  $\langle * \rangle$  b  $\langle * \rangle$  x  $\langle * \rangle$  x1)
    }
} where module K = KleeneAlgebra K; module L = KleeneAlgebra L

```

where idempotentSemiring is the product of two idempotent semiring structures.

## 7.5 Properties

In this section we prove some properties of Kleene algebra. Let  $(K, +, *, ^*, 0, 1)$  be a Kleene algebra then:

1.  $1 + x^* = x^*$
2.  $x * x^* + x^* = x^*$
3.  $x^* + x^* * x = x^*$
4.  $0 + x + x^* = x^*$
5.  $1 + x + x^* = x^*$
6.  $x + x^* = x^*$
7.  $x^* * x^* + x^* = x^*$
8.  $1 + x^* * x^* + x^* = x^*$
9. If  $a * x = x * b$  then,  $a^* * x + x * b^* = x * b^*$
10. If  $x = y$  then,  $1 + x * y^* + y^* = y^*$
11.  $(x * y)^* * x + x * (y * x)^* = x * (y * x)^*$

Proof:

1.  $1+x^* \approx x^* : \forall x \rightarrow 1\# + x \star \approx x \star$   
 $1+x^* \approx x^* \ x = \text{begin}$   
 $1\# + x \star \approx \langle \text{+-cong}^l (\text{sym}(\text{starExpansive}^r x)) \rangle$   
 $1\# + (1\# + x * x \star + x \star) \approx \langle \text{+-cong}^l (\text{+-assoc } 1\# (x * x \star) (x$   
 $\quad \star)) \rangle$   
 $1\# + (1\# + (x * x \star + x \star)) \approx \langle \text{sym}(\text{+-assoc } 1\# 1\# (x * x \star + x$   
 $\quad \star)) \rangle$   
 $1\# + 1\# + (x * x \star + x \star) \approx \langle \text{+-cong}^r (\text{+-idem } 1\#) \rangle$   
 $1\# + (x * x \star + x \star) \approx \langle \text{sym}(\text{+-assoc } 1\# (x * x \star) (x \star)$   
 $\quad \star) \rangle$   
 $1\# + x * x \star + x \star \approx \langle \text{starExpansive}^r x \rangle$   
 $x \star \quad \blacksquare$



2.  $xx\star+x\star\approx x\star : \forall x \rightarrow x * x \star + x \star \approx x \star$

```

xx\star+x\star\approx x\star x = begin
  x * x \star + x \star                \approx\langle +-comm _ _ \rangle
  x \star + x * x \star                \approx\langle +-cong^r (sym(starExpansive^r
  \_ x)) \rangle
  1# + x * x \star + x \star + x * x \star \approx\langle +-assoc _ _ _ \rangle
  1# + x * x \star + (x \star + x * x \star) \approx\langle +-cong^l(+comm (x \star) (x *
  \_ x \star)) \rangle
  1# + x * x \star + (x * x \star + x \star) \approx\langle +-assoc _ _ _ \rangle
  1# + (x * x \star + (x * x \star + x \star)) \approx\langle +-cong^l (sym (+assoc _ _
  \_ _)) \rangle
  1# + (x * x \star + x * x \star + x \star) \approx\langle +-cong^l (+cong^r (+idem
  \_ _)) \rangle
  1# + (x * x \star + x \star)          \approx\langle sym( +-assoc 1# (x * x \star)
  \_ (x \star) ) \rangle
  1# + x * x \star + x \star            \approx\langle starExpansive^r x \rangle
  x \star                             ■

```

3.  $x\star+x\star x\approx x\star : \forall x \rightarrow x \star + x \star * x \approx x \star$

```

x\star+x\star x\approx x\star x = begin
  x \star + x \star * x                \approx\langle +-cong^r (sym (1+x\star\approx x\star x)) \rangle
  1# + x \star + x \star * x            \approx\langle +-assoc _ _ _ \rangle
  1# + (x \star + x \star * x)           \approx\langle +-cong^l (+comm (x \star) (x \star * x)) \rangle
  1# + (x \star * x + x \star)           \approx\langle sym (+assoc _ _ _ ) \rangle
  1# + x \star * x + x \star             \approx\langle starExpansive^l x \rangle
  x \star                             ■

```

4.  $0+x+x\star\approx x\star : \forall x \rightarrow 0\# + x + x \star \approx x \star$

```

0+x+x\star\approx x\star x = begin
  0\# + x + x \star                    \approx\langle +-assoc 0\# x (x \star) \rangle
  0\# + (x + x \star)                  \approx\langle +-identity^l ((x + x \star)) \rangle
  (x + x \star)                        \approx\langle x+x\star\approx x\star x \rangle
  x \star                             ■

```

5.  $1+x+x\star\approx x\star$  :  $\forall x \rightarrow 1\# + x + x\star \approx x\star$

```
1+x+x\star\approx x\star x = begin
  1\# + x + x\star      \approx\langle +-assoc _ _ _ \rangle
  1\# + (x + x\star)    \approx\langle +-cong^l (x+x\star\approx x\star x) \rangle
  1\# + x\star          \approx\langle 1+x\star\approx x\star x \rangle
  x\star                ■
```

6.  $x+x\star\approx x\star$  :  $\forall x \rightarrow x + x\star \approx x\star$

```
x+x\star\approx x\star x = begin
  x + x\star                \approx\langle +-cong^l(sym(starExpansive^r
  \_ x)) \rangle
  x + (1\# + x * x\star + x\star) \approx\langle +-cong^r(sym(*-identity^r x))
  \_ \rangle
  x * 1\# + (1\# + x * x\star + x\star) \approx\langle +-cong^l((+-assoc _ _ _)) \rangle
  x * 1\# + (1\# + (x * x\star + x\star)) \approx\langle sym(+assoc _ _ _)) \rangle
  x * 1\# + 1\# + (x * x\star + x\star) \approx\langle +-cong^r(+comm (x * 1\#) 1\#)
  \_ \rangle
  1\# + x * 1\# + (x * x\star + x\star) \approx\langle +-assoc _ _ _ \rangle
  1\# + (x * 1\# + (x * x\star + x\star)) \approx\langle +-cong^l(sym (+assoc _ _ _))
  \_ \rangle
  1\# + ((x * 1\# + x * x\star) + x\star) \approx\langle +-cong^l(+cong^r(sym(distrib^l
  \_ _ _ _))) \rangle
  1\# + (x * (1\# + x\star) + x\star) \approx\langle
  \_ +-cong^l(+cong^r(*-cong^l(1+x\star\approx x\star x))) \rangle
  1\# + (x * x\star + x\star) \approx\langle sym(+assoc _ _ _)) \rangle
  1\# + x * x\star + x\star \approx\langle starExpansive^r x \rangle
  x\star                ■
```

7.  $x \star + x x \star + x \star \approx x \star$  :  $\forall x \rightarrow x \star + x * x \star + x \star \approx x \star$   
 $x \star + x x \star + x \star \approx x \star$  x = begin  
 $x \star + x * x \star + x \star \approx \langle +\text{-assoc } \_ \_ \_ \rangle$   
 $x \star + (x * x \star + x \star) \approx \langle +\text{-cong}^1 (+\text{-comm } \_ \_) \rangle$   
 $x \star + (x \star + x * x \star) \approx \langle \text{sym } (+\text{-assoc } \_ \_ \_) \rangle$   
 $x \star + x \star + x * x \star \approx \langle +\text{-cong}^r (+\text{-idem } \_) \rangle$   
 $x \star + x * x \star \approx \langle +\text{-comm } \_ \_ \rangle$   
 $x * x \star + x \star \approx \langle x x \star + x \star \approx x \star \ x \rangle$   
 $x \star$  ■
- $x \star x \star + x \star \approx x \star$  :  $\forall x \rightarrow x \star * x \star + x \star \approx x \star$   
 $x \star x \star + x \star \approx x \star$  x = starDestructive<sup>1</sup> x (x  $\star$ ) (x  $\star$ ) (x  $\star + x x \star + x \star \approx x \star$   
 $\hookrightarrow$  x)
8.  $1 + x \star x \star + x \star \approx x \star$  :  $\forall x \rightarrow 1\# + x \star * x \star + x \star \approx x \star$   
 $1 + x \star x \star + x \star \approx x \star$  x = begin  
 $1\# + x \star * x \star + x \star \approx \langle +\text{-assoc } \_ \_ \_ \rangle$   
 $1\# + (x \star * x \star + x \star) \approx \langle +\text{-cong}^1 (x \star x \star + x \star \approx x \star \ x) \rangle$   
 $1\# + x \star \approx \langle 1 + x \star \approx x \star \ x \rangle$   
 $x \star$  ■

9.  $ax \approx xb \Rightarrow x + axb \star x \star b \approx xb \star$  :  $\forall x a b \rightarrow a * x \approx x * b \rightarrow (x + a * (x * b \star)) + x * b \star \approx x * b \star$   
 $ax \approx xb \Rightarrow x + axb \star x \star b \approx xb \star$  x a b eq = begin  
 (x + a \* (x \* b \*)) + x \* b \*  $\approx$  ( +-cong<sup>r</sup> ( +-cong<sup>l</sup> (sym(\*-assoc a x (b \*))) )  
 (x + a \* x \* b \* ) + x \* b \*  $\approx$  ( +-cong<sup>r</sup> ( +-cong<sup>r</sup> (sym (\*-identity<sup>r</sup> x))) )  
 (x \* 1# + a \* x \* b \* ) + x \* b \*  $\approx$  ( +-cong<sup>r</sup> ( +-cong<sup>l</sup> (\*-cong<sup>r</sup> (eq))) )  
 (x \* 1# + x \* b \* b \* ) + x \* b \*  $\approx$  ( +-cong<sup>r</sup> ( +-cong<sup>l</sup> (\*-assoc \_ \_ \_)) )  
 (x \* 1# + x \* (b \* b \*)) + x \* b \*  $\approx$  ( +-cong<sup>r</sup> (sym (distrib<sup>l</sup> x 1# (b \* b \*))) )  
 x \* ( 1# + b \* b \* ) + x \* b \*  $\approx$  ( sym(distrib<sup>l</sup> \_ \_ \_)) )  
 x \* (1# + b \* b \* + b \* )  $\approx$  (\*-cong<sup>l</sup> (starExpansive<sup>r</sup> b) )  
 x \* b \*

$ax \approx xb \Rightarrow a \star x \approx xb \star$  :  $\forall x a b \rightarrow a * x \approx x * b \rightarrow a \star * x + x * b \star \approx x * b \star$   
 $ax \approx xb \Rightarrow a \star x \approx xb \star$  x a b eq = starDestructive<sup>l</sup> a x ((x \* b \*))  
 (ax  $\approx$  xb  $\Rightarrow$  x + axb  $\star$  x  $\star$  b  $\approx$  xb  $\star$  x a b eq)

10.  $x \approx y \Rightarrow 1 + xy \star \approx y \star$  :  $\forall x y \rightarrow x \approx y \rightarrow 1\# + x * y \star + y \star \approx y \star$   
 $x \approx y \Rightarrow 1 + xy \star \approx y \star$  x y eq = begin  
 1# + x \* y \* + y \*  $\approx$  ( +-assoc \_ \_ \_ )  
 1# + (x \* y \* + y \*)  $\approx$  ( +-cong<sup>l</sup> ( +-cong<sup>r</sup> (\*-cong<sup>r</sup> (eq))) )  
 1# + (y \* y \* + y \*)  $\approx$  ( sym(+assoc \_ \_ \_)) )  
 1# + y \* y \* + y \*  $\approx$  ( starExpansive<sup>r</sup> y )  
 y \*

11.  $[xy] \star x + x[yx] \star \approx x[yx] \star$  :  $\forall x y \rightarrow (x * y) \star * x + x * (y * x) \star \approx x * (y * x) \star$   
 $[xy] \star x + x[yx] \star \approx x[yx] \star$  x y = ax  $\approx$  xb  $\Rightarrow$  a  $\star$  x  $\approx$  xb  $\star$  x (x \* y) (y \* x)  
 (\*-assoc x y x)

# Chapter 8

## Problem in Programming Algebra

Algebraic structures show variations in syntax and semantics depending on the system or language in which they are defined. Each system discussed in chapter 3 have their own style of defining structures in the standard libraries. For example, in Coq, `ring` is defined without multiplicative identity. However, in Agda, `ring` has multiplicative identity and `rng` is defined as `ringWithoutOne` that has no multiplicative identity. This ambiguity in naming is also seen in literature. Another example is same structure having multiple definitions like Quasigroups. Quasigroups can be defined as a  $\text{type}(2)$  algebra with Latin square property or as a  $\text{type}(2,2,2)$  with left and right division operators. Both the definitions are equivalent, but they are structurally different. This chapter identifies and classifies five important problems that arises when defining types algebraic structures in proof assistant systems.

## 8.1 Ambiguity in naming

Ambiguity arises when something can be interpreted in more than one way. The example of quasigroup having more than one definition can give rise to a scenario of making an incorrect interpretation of the algebraic structure when it is not clearly stated. In abstract algebra and algebraic structure these scenarios can be more common and this can be attributed to lack of naming convention that is followed in naming algebraic structures and its properties. For example, consider algebraic structures ring and rng. Some mathematicians define ring as an algebraic structure that is an Abelian group under addition and a monoid under multiplication. This definition is also named explicitly as ring with unit or ring with identity. Rng is defined as an algebraic structure that is an Abelian group under addition and a semigroup under multiplication. The same structure is also defined as ring without identity. However, these definitions are often interchanged i.e., some mathematicians define ring as ring without identity that is multiplication has no identity or is a semigroup. This ambiguity may be attributed to the language of origin of the algebraic structures. In this case rng is used in French whereas ring in English. These confusions can be seen in literature and in online blogs where it is difficult to imply the definition of intent when they are not explicitly defined.

In Agda, a ring structure is defined as an algebraic structure with two binary operations  $+$  and  $*$ , one unary operator  $^{-1}$ , and two elements  $0$  and  $1$  on setoid  $A$ .  $(A, +, ^{-1}, 0)$  is an Abelian group and  $(A, *, 1)$  is a monoid. The binary operation  $*$  distributes over  $+$ , that is multiplication distributes over addition, and it has annihilating zero.

```

record IsRing (+ * : Op2 A) (-_ : Op1 A) (0# 1# : A) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ)
  where
field
  +-isAbelianGroup : IsAbelianGroup + 0# -_
  *-cong           : Congruent2 *
  *-assoc          : Associative *
  *-identity       : Identity 1# *
  distrib          : * DistributesOver +
  zero             : Zero 0# *

open IsAbelianGroup +-isAbelianGroup public

```

Rng is defined as ringWithoutOne that is a ring structure without multiplicative identity.

```

record IsRingWithoutOne (+ * : Op2 A) (-_ : Op1 A) (0# : A) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ)
  where
field
  +-isAbelianGroup : IsAbelianGroup + 0# -_
  *-cong           : Congruent2 *
  *-assoc          : Associative *
  distrib          : * DistributesOver +
  zero             : Zero 0# *

open IsAbelianGroup +-isAbelianGroup public

```

Another example of ambiguity arises when defining structure nerring. Nerring is defined as a structure for which addition is a group and multiplication is a monoid. But some mathematicians use the definition where multiplication is a semigroup. The same confusion also arises in defining semiring and rig structures. [Wikipedia(2023d)] states that the term rig originated as a joke that it is similar to rng that is missing the alphabet n and i to represent the identity does not exist for these structures. In Agda, the algebraic structure rig is defined as SemiringWithoutOne where one represents the multiplicative identity.

For axioms of structures, the names are usually invented when defining the structure.

As an example when defining Kleene Algebra in Agda, `starExpansive` and `starDestructive` names were invented (inspired from what is used in literature). Due to lack of standardized names, many names can be coined for the same axiom.

```
record IsKleeneAlgebra (+ * : Op2 A) (★ : Op1 A) (0# 1# : A) : Set (a
  ⊆ ⊆ ℓ) where
field
  isIdempotentSemiring : IsIdempotentSemiring + * 0# 1#
  starExpansive         : StarExpansive 1# + * ★
  starDestructive       : StarDestructive + * ★

open IsIdempotentSemiring isIdempotentSemiring public
```

## 8.2 Equivalent but structurally different

Quasigroup structure is an example that can be defined in two ways that are equivalent but structurally different. A type (2) Quasigroup can be defined as a set  $Q$  and binary operation  $\cdot$  that is a magma and satisfies Latin square property. Quasigroup of type (2,2,2) is a structure with three binary operations, a magma with division operation. Latin square property states that for each  $a, b$  in set  $Q$  there exists unique elements  $x, y$  in  $Q$  such that the following property is satisfied:

$$a \cdot x = b$$

$$y \cdot a = b$$

Another definition of quasigroup is given as type a (2,2,2) algebra in which for a set  $Q$  and binary operations  $\cdot, \backslash, /$ . Quasigroup should satisfy the below identities that implies left division and right division.

$$y = x \cdot (x \backslash y)$$



$$y = x \backslash (x \cdot y)$$

$$y = (y / x) \cdot x$$

$$y = (y \cdot x) / x$$

In Agda standard library, the quasigroup is defined as a type (2,2,2) algebra (shown below).

```
record IsQuasigroup (· \ / : Op2 A) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ) where
field
  isMagma      : IsMagma ·
  \-cong       : Congruent2 \
  /-cong       : Congruent2 /
  leftDivides  : LeftDivides · \
  rightDivides : RightDivides · /

open IsMagma isMagma public
```

A quasigroup that is a type (2) algebra and a quasigroup that is a type (2,2,2) algebra are equivalent but are structurally different [Flinn(2021)]. In the algebra hierarchy, a Loop is an algebraic structure that is a quasigroup with identity. It can be observed the same problem persists through the hierarchy. If a loop is defined with a quasigroup that is a type (2,2,2) algebra then, a loop structure of type (2) will be forced to be defined with suboptimal name. One possible solution to this problem is to define the structures in different modules and import restrict them when using. This problem of not being able to overload names for structures also affects when defining types of quasigroup or loops such as bol loop and moufang loop.

Since quasigroup is defined in terms of division operation, loop is also defined as a type (2,2,2) algebra in Agda standard library. The definition of loop structure in Agda is as follows:

```

record IsLoop (· \\ // : Op2 A) (ε : A) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ) where
field
  isQuasigroup : IsQuasigroup · \\ //
  identity      : Identity ε ·

open IsQuasigroup isQuasigroup public

```

### 8.3 Redundant field in structural inheritance

Redundancy arises when there is duplication of the same field. In programming redundant code is considered a bad practice and is usually avoided by modularizing and creating functions that perform similar tasks. In algebraic structures, redundant fields can be introduced in structures that are defined in terms of two or more structures. For example semiring can be defined as commutative monoid under addition and a monoid under multiplication. In Agda, both monoid and commutative monoid have an instance of equivalence relation. Hence, if semiring is defined in terms of commutative monoid and monoid then this definition of the semiring will have a redundant equivalence field. This redundancy can also be seen in other structures like ring, lattice, module, and other algebraic structures. To remove this redundant field in Agda the structure except the first is opened and expressed in terms of independent axioms that they satisfy. For example, semiring without identity or rig structure in Agda is defined as:

```

record IsSemiringWithoutOne (+ * : Op2 A) (0# : A) : Set (a ⊔ ℓ)
  where
field
  +-isCommutativeMonoid : IsCommutativeMonoid + 0#
  *-cong                : Congruent2 *
  *-assoc               : Associative *
  distrib               : * DistributesOver +
  zero                  : Zero 0# *

open IsCommutativeMonoid +-isCommutativeMonoid public

```

From the above definition, we can observe that the operation  $*$  is a semigroup is expressed with axioms congruent and associative. But, there is no field to say that  $*$  is a semigroup. To overcome this problem an instance is created in the definition as follows along with near semiring structure.

```

*-isMagma : IsMagma *
*-isMagma = record
  { isEquivalence = isEquivalence
  ; *-cong        = *-cong
  }

*-isSemigroup : IsSemigroup *
*-isSemigroup = record
  { isMagma = *-isMagma
  ; assoc   = *-assoc
  }

isNearSemiring : IsNearSemiring + * 0#
isNearSemiring = record
  { +-isMonoid    = +-isMonoid
  ; *-cong        = *-cong
  ; *-assoc       = *-assoc
  ; distribr     = proj2 distrib
  ; zerol       = zerol
  }

```

The above technique will effectively remove the redundant equivalence relation. However,

it fails to express the structure in terms of two or more structures that is commonly used in literature and in other systems. Agda 2.0 removed redundancy by unfolding the structure. This solution should ensure that the structure clearly exports the unfolded structure whose properties can be imported when required.

## 8.4 Identical structures

In abstract algebra when formalizing algebraic structures from the hierarchy, same algebraic structure can be derived from two or more structures. One such example is Nearing. Nearing is an algebraic structure with two binary operations addition and multiplication. Nearing is a group under addition and is a monoid under multiplication and multiplication right distributes over addition. In this case nearing is defined using two algebraic structures group and monoid. Other definition of nearing can be derived using the structure quasiring. Quasiring is an algebraic structure in which addition is a monoid, multiplication is a monoid and multiplication distributes over addition. Using this definition of quasiring, nearing can be defined as a quasiring which has an additive inverse. In Agda nearing is defined in terms of quasiring with additive inverse

```

record IsNearing (+ * : Op2 A) (0# 1# : A) (⁻¹ : Op1 A) : Set (a ⊔
  ⊔ ℓ) where
field
  isQuasiring : IsQuasiring + * 0# 1#
  +-inverse    : Inverse 0# ⁻¹ +
  -¹-cong      : Congruent1 ⁻¹

open IsQuasiring isQuasiring public

+-isGroup : IsGroup + 0# ⁻¹
+-isGroup = record
  { isMonoid = +-isMonoid
    ; inverse = +-inverse
    ; -¹-cong = -¹-cong
  }

```

In some literature, nearing is defined in which multiplication is a semigroup that is without identity. This can be attributed to the problem with ambiguity. It can be analyzed that having two different definitions for same structure is not a good practice. If nearing is defined using quasiring then it should also give an instance of additive group without having it to construct it when using the above formalization. This solution might solve the problem at first but in practice, this becomes tedious and can go to a point at which this can be impractical especially when formalizing structures at higher level in the algebra hierarchy.

## 8.5 Equivalent structures

Consider the example of idempotent commutative monoid and bounded semilattice. It can be observed that both are essentially the same structure. It is redundant to define two different structures from different hierarchy. Instead, in Agda, aliasing may be used to say that the bounded semilattice is same as idempotent commutative monoid. Idempotent

commutative monoid is defined and an aliasing for bounded semilattice is given.

```

    record IsIdempotentCommutativeMonoid ( $\cdot$  : Op2 A)
      ( $\epsilon$  : A) : Set (a  $\sqcup$   $\ell$ ) where
    field
    isCommutativeMonoid : IsCommutativeMonoid  $\cdot$   $\epsilon$ 
    idem                  : Idempotent  $\cdot$ 

    open IsCommutativeMonoid isCommutativeMonoid public

    IsBoundedSemilattice = IsIdempotentCommutativeMonoid
    module IsBoundedSemilattice { $\cdot$   $\epsilon$ } (L : IsBoundedSemilattice  $\cdot$   $\epsilon$ ) where

      open IsIdempotentCommutativeMonoid L public

```

Some mathematicians argue that bounded semilattice and idempotent commutative monoid are not the same structures but are isomorphic to each other. We do not consider this argument in the scope of this thesis.

## Chapter 9

# Conclusion and Future Work

The primary of this work was to study types algebraic structures in proof assistant systems. To define the scope of the work, we do a survey on the coverage of types of algebraic structures in four proof assistant systems which are Agda, Idris, Coq, and Lean. The thesis shows how to define a structure with some of its constructs and properties in Agda. We divide this into three main chapters based on the closeness of structures that is quasigroup and loop, semigroup and ring, and Kleene algebra. We then analyze five problems that arise when defining types algebraic structures in proof systems.

In section 9.1, we summarize the contributions of this work and how it refers to the research outline described in Chapter 1. Section 9.2 discuss some extensions or future work of this work.

### 9.1 Summary of contributions

Universal algebra is a well-studied and evolving branch of mathematics. Proof systems are useful in automated reasoning and becoming popular in research and applications

more than ever. With an introduction to universal algebra in Chapter 1 and Agda in Chapter 2, Chapter 3 provides an overview of the quantitative use of algebraic structures in proof assistant systems. We create a clickable table that takes to the definition of structures in the standard libraries of the systems studied (Agda, Idris, Lean, and Coq).

This leads to defining the scope of contribution to the Agda standard library. Chapter 5 is dedicated to studying the structures quasigroup, loop, and their variations. Chapter 6 provides an overview of semigroup and ring structures with their properties and morphisms. Chapter 7 is dedicated to the study of Kleene algebra and its properties in Agda. Along with these structures, we define structures unital magma, invertible magma, invertible unital magma, idempotent magma, alternate magma, flexible magma, semimedial magma, medial magma, with their direct products and morphisms.

Our approach to defining these structures led us to encounter and analyze some problems such as ambiguity in naming, equivalent and identical structures. Chapter 8 discusses how these problems become more evident in proof systems that might be ignored in classical the 'pen-and-paper' technique.

## 9.2 Future work

Our work can be extended in different ways. The direct products defined in this thesis do not clearly differentiate between direct products, products, and co-products of algebraic structures. There is currently a discussion on Agda standard library to overcome this issue, but the changes are yet to come. The current solution adapted in the Agda standard library to remove the redundant field will only remove the equivalence. However, there can be other redundant fields. For example, in commutative monoid, right identity can be obtained from left identity and commutativity. These problems are yet to be addressed.



The current work will rely on human efforts in building strong libraries in the field of abstract algebra. A more robust and reliable generative library will be helpful to reduce human efforts.

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