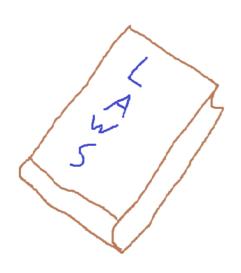
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Testing of value-level dimensions



For operations on dimensions, there are a number of laws which should hold. We will here test that the value-level dimensions obey them. One way is to use QuickCheck, which produces lots o' random test cases.

Generating arbitrary dimensions

The first thing one needs in order to use QuickCheck is an instance of Arbitrary for the data type to be used in the

tests. In this case it's Dim.

An arbitrary example of an Arbitrary instance (get it?) could look like

```
data IntPair = IntPair (Int, Int)

genIntPair :: Gen IntPair
genIntPair = do
   first <- arbitrary
   second <- arbitrary
   return $ IntPair (first, second)

instance Arbitrary IntPair where
   arbitrary = genIntPair</pre>
```

Exercise Now try to implement an Arbitrary instance of Dim.

▼ Solution

Here's one way to do it.

```
genDim :: Gen Dim
genDim = do
  le <- arbitrary
  ma <- arbitrary
  ti <- arbitrary
  cu <- arbitrary
  te <- arbitrary
  su <- arbitrary
  lu <- arbitrary
  return (Dim le ma ti cu te su lu)

instance Arbitrary Dim where
  arbitrary = genDim</pre>
```

Properties for operations on dimensions

Since dimensions are treated just like regular numbers when it comes to multiplication and division, the laws which ought to hold should be pretty clear. It's the "obvious" laws such as commutativity and so on.

The laws to test are

- Multiplication is commutative
- Multiplication is associative
- one is a unit for multiplication
- Multiplication and division cancel each other out
- Dividing by one does nothing
- Dividing by a division brings up the lowest denominator

$$\frac{x}{\frac{x}{y}} = y$$

Multiplication by x is the same as dividing by the inverse of x.

The implementation of the first law looks like

```
-- Property: multiplication is commutative
prop_mulCommutative :: Dim -> Dim -> Bool
prop_mulCommutative d1 d2 = d1 `mul` d2 == d2 `mul` d1
```

Excercise. Implement the rest.

▼ Solution

Here's what the rest could look like.

```
-- Property: multiplication is associative

prop_mulAssociative :: Dim -> Dim -> Bool

prop_mulAssociative d1 d2 d3 = d1 `mul` (d2 `mul` d3) ==
    (d1 `mul` d2) `mul` d3

-- Property: `one` is a unit for multiplication

prop_mulOneUnit :: Dim -> Bool

prop_mulOneUnit d = d == one `mul` d

-- Property: multiplication and division cancel each other out

prop_mulDivCancel :: Dim -> Dim -> Bool

prop_mulDivCancel d1 d2 = (d1 `mul` d2) `div` d1 == d2
```

```
-- Property: dividing by `one` does noting

prop_divOne :: Dim -> Bool

prop_divOne d = d `div` one == d

-- Property: dividing by a division brings up the lowest denominator

prop_divTwice :: Dim -> Dim -> Bool

prop_divTwice d1 d2 = d1 `div` (d1 `div` d2) == d2

-- Property: multiplication same as division by inverse

prop_mulDivInv :: Dim -> Dim -> Bool

prop_mulDivInv d1 d2 = d1 `mul` d2 ==

d1 `div` (one `div` d2)
```

We should also test the pretty-printer. But just like how that function itself is implemented isn't interesting, neither is the code testing it. We therefore leave it out.

From this module, we export a function runTests. That function runs all the tests implemented here and is used with Stack.

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