

Chapter 18 : The longest all zero segment.

In which we continue to develop our calculational style.

Given $f[0..N)$ of int, $\{0 \leq N\}$, we are asked to construct a program to determine the length of the longest all zero segment in f .

$\{f[0..N)$ of int contains values}

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$\{r = \langle \uparrow i, j : 0 \leq i \leq j \leq N \wedge Az.i.j : j-i \rangle\}$

Domain model.

As usual we begin by building a model of the domain.

* (0) $Az.i.j \equiv \langle \forall k : i \leq k < j : f.k = 0 \rangle$, $0 \leq i \leq j \leq N$

Exploiting the empty range and associativity gives us

- (1) $Az.i.i \equiv \text{true}$, $0 \leq i \leq N$

- (2) $Az.i.(j+1) \equiv Az.i.j \wedge (f.j = 0)$, $0 \leq i \leq j < N$

We name the quantified expression in our postcondition.

* (3) $C.n \equiv \langle \uparrow i, j : 0 \leq i \leq j \leq n \wedge Az.i.j : j-i \rangle$, $0 \leq n \leq N$

Appealing to the “1 point” rule and (1) gives us

- (4) $C.0 \equiv 0$

In an effort to exploit associativity we calculate as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
 & C.(n+1) \\
 = & \quad \{(3)\} \\
 & \langle \uparrow i, j : 0 \leq i \leq j \leq n+1 \wedge Az.i.j : j-i \rangle \\
 = & \quad \{\text{split off } j = n+1 \text{ term}\} \\
 & \langle \uparrow i, j : 0 \leq i \leq j \leq n \wedge Az.i.j : j-i \rangle \uparrow \langle \uparrow i : 0 \leq i \leq n+1 \wedge Az.i.(n+1) : (n+1)-i \rangle \\
 = & \quad \{(3)\} \\
 & C.n \uparrow \langle \uparrow i : 0 \leq i \leq n+1 \wedge Az.i.(n+1) : (n+1)-i \rangle \\
 = & \quad \{\text{name the new expression (6)}\} \\
 & C.n \uparrow D.(n+1)
 \end{aligned}$$

Which gives us

$$- (5) C.(n+1) = C.n \uparrow D.(n+1) \quad , 0 \leq n < N$$

$$* (6) D.n = \langle \uparrow i : 0 \leq i \leq n \wedge Az.i.n : n-i \rangle \quad , 0 \leq n \leq N$$

An appeal to the “1 point rule” and (1) gives us

$$- (7) D.0 = 0$$

Seeking to exploit associativity, we calculate as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
& D.(n+1) \\
= & \quad \{(6)\} \\
& \langle \uparrow i : 0 \leq i \leq n+1 \wedge Az.i.(n+1) : (n+1)-i \rangle \\
= & \quad \{\text{split off } i = n+1 \text{ term}\} \\
& \langle \uparrow i : 0 \leq i \leq n \wedge Az.i.(n+1) : (n+1)-i \rangle \uparrow (n+1)-(n+1) \\
= & \quad \{\text{arithmetic}\} \\
& \langle \uparrow i : 0 \leq i \leq n \wedge Az.i.(n+1) : (n+1)-i \rangle \uparrow 0 \\
= & \quad \{(2)\} \\
& \langle \uparrow i : 0 \leq i \leq n \wedge Az.i.n \wedge (f.n=0) : (n+1)-i \rangle \uparrow 0 \\
& \quad \{\text{case analysis, } f.n=0, \text{ true} \equiv Id \wedge\} \\
& \langle \uparrow i : 0 \leq i \leq n \wedge Az.i.n : (n+1)-i \rangle \uparrow 0 \\
= & \quad \{+/\uparrow \text{ for non-empty ranges}\} \\
& (1 + \langle \uparrow i : 0 \leq i \leq n \wedge Az.i.n : n-i \rangle) \uparrow 0 \\
= & \quad \{(6)\} \\
& (1 + D.n) \uparrow 0
\end{aligned}$$

Now let us calculate using the other case. We observe

$$\begin{aligned}
& D.(n+1) \\
= & \quad \{(6)\} \\
& \langle \uparrow i : 0 \leq i \leq n+1 \wedge Az.i.(n+1) : (n+1)-i \rangle \\
= & \quad \{\text{split off } i = n+1 \text{ term}\} \\
& \langle \uparrow i : 0 \leq i \leq n \wedge Az.i.(n+1) : (n+1)-i \rangle \uparrow (n+1)-(n+1) \\
= & \quad \{\text{arithmetic}\} \\
& \langle \uparrow i : 0 \leq i \leq n \wedge Az.i.(n+1) : (n+1)-i \rangle \uparrow 0 \\
= & \quad \{(2)\} \\
& \langle \uparrow i : 0 \leq i \leq n \wedge Az.i.n \wedge (f.n=0) : (n+1)-i \rangle \uparrow 0 \\
= & \quad \{\text{case analysis, } f.n \neq 0, P \wedge \text{false} \equiv \text{false}\} \\
& \langle \uparrow i : \text{false} : (n+1)-i \rangle \uparrow 0
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \{ \text{empty range} \} \\
&\quad \text{Id} \uparrow \uparrow 0 \\
&= \{ \text{defn. of Id} \} \\
&\quad 0
\end{aligned}$$

So we have

$$\begin{aligned}
- (8) \ D.(n+1) &= (1+D.n) \uparrow 0 && \Leftarrow f.n=0 && , 0 \leq n < N \\
- (9) \ D.(n+1) &= 0 && \Leftarrow f.n \neq 0 && , 0 \leq n < N
\end{aligned}$$

Rewrite and strengthen the postcondition.

$$\text{Post} : r = C.N$$

Choose invariants.

We choose the following invariants

$$\begin{aligned}
P0 : r = C.n \wedge d = D.n \\
P1 : 0 \leq n \leq N
\end{aligned}$$

Establish invariants.

From our model, in particular laws (4) and (7), we can see that the following assignment establishes the invariants

$$n, r, d := 0, 0, 0$$

Guard.

$$n \neq N$$

Variant.

$$n$$

Calculate the loop body.

We achieve our standard decrease of vf by increasing n by 1. We calculate the loop body using this.

$$\begin{aligned}
&(n, r, d := n+1, E, E').P0 \\
= &\quad \{ \text{textual substitution} \} \\
&E = C.(n+1) \wedge E' = D.(n+1)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \{(5)\} \\
&\quad E = C.n \uparrow D.(n+1) \wedge E' = D.(n+1) \\
&= \{\text{case analysis, } f.n=0, (8) \text{ twice}\} \\
&\quad E = C.n \uparrow (1+D.n) \uparrow 0 \wedge E' = (1+D.n) \uparrow 0 \\
&= \{P0\} \\
&\quad E = r \uparrow (1+d) \uparrow 0 \wedge E' = (1+d) \uparrow 0
\end{aligned}$$

This gives us

$$\text{If } f.n=0 \quad \rightarrow \quad n. \text{ r. } d := n+1, r \uparrow (1+d) \uparrow 0, (1+d) \uparrow 0$$

We now consider the other case

$$\begin{aligned}
&\quad (n, r, d := n+1, E, E').P0 \\
&= \{\text{textual substitution}\} \\
&\quad E = C.(n+1) \wedge E' = D.(n+1) \\
&= \{(5)\} \\
&\quad E = C.n \uparrow D.(n+1) \wedge E' = D.(n+1) \\
&= \{\text{case analysis, } f.n \neq 0, () \text{ twice}\} \\
&\quad E = C.n \uparrow 0 \uparrow 0 \wedge E' = 0 \uparrow 0 \\
&= \{P0 \text{ and } \uparrow \text{ idempotent}\} \\
&\quad E = r \uparrow 0 \wedge E' = 0
\end{aligned}$$

This gives us

$$\text{If } f.n \neq 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad n. \text{ r. } d := n+1, r \uparrow 0, 0$$

Finished program.

$$\begin{aligned}
&n, r, d := 0, 0, 0 \{P0 \wedge P1\} \\
&\text{;do } n \neq N \rightarrow \{P0 \wedge P1 \wedge n \neq N\} \\
&\quad \text{If } f.n=0 \rightarrow n. \text{ r. } d := n+1, r \uparrow (1+d) \uparrow 0, (1+d) \uparrow 0 \\
&\quad [] f.n \neq 0 \rightarrow n. \text{ r. } d := n+1, r \uparrow 0, 0 \\
&\quad \text{fi} \\
&\quad \{P0 \wedge P1\} \\
&\text{od} \\
&\{r = C.N\}
\end{aligned}$$

Note.

Our final observation is that as both $D.n$ and $C.n$ are natural values they cannot be negative. Therefore we can simplify some of the expressions. We note that

$$r \uparrow 0 = r$$

$$d \uparrow 0 = d$$

Using this we can rewrite our finished program like this.

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n, r, d := 0, 0, 0 {P0 ∧ P1}
;do n≠N →    {P0 ∧ P1 ∧ n≠N}

    If f.n=0 → n. r. d := n+1, r ↑ (1+d), (1+d)
    [] f.n≠0 → n. r. d := n+1, r, 0
    fi

    {P0 ∧ P1}
od
{r = C.N}

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