Formal Methods and Functional Programming

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Abstract

This document should give an overview over the types of exercises in the FMFP course and how to solve them. It also contains parts of theory and an overview of Haskell.

There is no guarantee for correctness or completeness, please refer to the course material.

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Functional Programming

1 Haskell

Credits: Big parts of this section are copied from/inspired by https://n.ethz.ch/ mschlegel/fmfp22/, hence credits go to Max

1.1 Basics

```
-- Basic function
-- Declaration, comparable to int mul(int a, int b){} in Java
mul :: Int -> Int -> Int
mul a b = a + b -- Definition
-- function composition
f(g x) = f.g x
f  x = f x
f $ map g xs = f (map g xs) -- to avoid parentheses
-- functions can also be arguments
filter :: (a->Bool) -> [a] -> [a] -- first arg: function taking a returning Bool
-- Pattern matching
fib :: Int -> Int
fib 0 = 0
fib 1 = 1
fib n = fib (n-1) + fib (n-2)
-- Guards
myAbs :: Int -> Int
myAbs x
    | x < 0 = -x
    | otherwise = x
-- where
f :: Int -> Int
f x = 1 + magic
    where magic = sqrt x
-- let <def> in <expr> equal to <expr> where <def>
f :: Int -> Int
f x = (let magic = sqrt x in 1 + magic)
-- case expression (pattern matching)
case expression of pattern1 -> result1
                   pattern2 -> result2
div1byx :: Double -> Double
div1byx = case x of 0 \rightarrow 0.0
                    n \rightarrow 1/n
-- if else
if b then x else y -- returns either x or y
f x = if (prime x) then "PRIME" else "NOT"
1.2
    \operatorname{Lists}
[] -- empty list
x:xs -- first element is x, xs is rest of list
[a,b,c] -- syntactic sugar for a:b:c:[]
-- Basic pattern matching
f[] = 0
```

```
f (x:xs) = 2 + f xs
-- [1..x]
[1..4] -- [1,2,3,4]
[1,3..10] -- [1,3,5,7,9]
[5, 4..1] -- [5,4,3,2,1]
[5..1] -- []
[1,2...] -- [1,2,...], used with lazy evaluation
-- List comprehensions
[f x | x <- list , guard_1, ..., guard_n]
[2*x | x <- [1..20], x `mod` 2 == 1] -- [2,6,10,..38]
[(1,r)| 1 <- "abc", r <- "xyz"] -- all comb. of characters in "abc" & "xyz"
-- Quick sort, very pretty
q (p:xs) = q [x | x <- xs, x <= p] ++ [p] ++ q [x | x <- xs, x > p]
```

1.3 Prelude functions

```
-- Basics
head [1,2,3] -- 1 :: Int
tail [1,2,3] -- [2,3] :: [Int]
last [1,2,3] -- 3 :: Int
init [1,2,3] -- [1,2] :: [Int]
length [1,2,3] -- 3 :: Int
take 3 [1,2,3,4,5] -- [1,2,3] :: [Int]
drop 3 [1,2,3,4,5] -- [4,5] :: [Int]
reverse [1,2,3] -- [3,2,1] :: [Int]
maximum [1,2,3] -- 1 :: Int
minimum [1,2,3] -- 3 :: Int
sum [1,2,3,4] -- 10 :: Int
product [1,2,3,4] -- 24 :: Int
4 `elem` [1,2,3] -- False
-- More interesting
zip :: [a] -> [b] -> [(a,b)]
zip [1, 2] ['a', 'b'] == [(1, 'a'), (2, 'b')]
filter :: (a->Bool) -> [a] -> [a]
filter odd [1, 2, 3] -- [1,3]
map :: (a -> b) -> [a] -> [b]
map f [x1, x2, ..., xn] == [f x1, f x2, ..., f xn]
zipWith :: (a->b->c) -> [a] -> [b] -> [c]
zipWith f [x1,x2,x3..] [y1,y2,y3..] == [f x1 y1, f x2 y2, f x3 y3..]
-- right associative
foldr :: (a -> b -> b) -> b -> [a] -> b
foldr f z [] = z
foldr f z (x:xs) = f x (foldr f z xs)
foldr f z (a:b:c:[]) = f a (f b (f c (f z [])))
foldr (+) 0 [1..4] =
-- left associative
fold1 :: (a -> b -> b) -> b -> [a] -> b
foldr f z [] = z
foldl f z xs = foldl f z . toList
foldl f z (a:b:c:[]) = f (f a (f b)) c
-- returns longest prefix of elements satisfying p and corresponding remainder of list
span :: (a \rightarrow Bool) \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow ([a], [a]) -- span p xs
span (< 3) [1,2,3,4,1,2,3,4] -- ([1,2], [3,4,1,2,3,4])
curry :: ((a,b)->c) -> a -> b -> c
```

```
curry f a b = f (a,b)
uncurry :: (a->b->c) -> (a,b) -> c
uncurry f (x,y) = f x y
```

1.4 Algebraic data types

Define new types

```
-- Structure: on the right side are value constructors
-- data type can have one of those different values
data keyword = constr1 | constr2 | ... | constrn
-- Option can be simple types
data Bool = False | True
-- New value constructors can be defined
-- Circle takes three floats as fields, rectangle 4
data Shape = Circle Float Float Float | Rectangle Float Float Float Float
-- ghci> :t Circle
Circle :: Float -> Float -> Float -> Shape
-- functions for data types
surface :: Shape -> Float
surface (Circle _ _ r) = pi * r ^ 2
surface (Rectangle x1 y1 x2 y2) = (abs $x2 - x1) * (abs $y2 - y1)
-- has argument of type a or b
data myType a b = myConstr a | myOtherConstructor b
-- definitions can be recursive
data myList a = Empty | Cons a (MyList a)
-- tree
data Tree t = Leaf | Node t (Tree t) (Tree t)
-- deriving keyword
-- typeclasses like Eq, Ord, Enum, Bounded, Show, Read can function as "interfaces"
-- Example: == and /= and can now be used to compare values
data Vector = Vector Int Int Int deriving (Eq. Show)
-- instance keyword
data TrafficLight = Red | Yellow | Green
instance Eq TrafficLight where
   Red == Red = True
    Green == Green = True
   Yellow == Yellow = True
    _ == _ = False
instance Show TrafficLight where
    show Red = "Red light"
    show Yellow = "Yellow light"
    show Green = "Green light"
-- fold for data types
-- data type:
data DType = C1 ... | C2 ... | ... | CN ...
-- fold
foldDType :: foldC1 -> foldC2 -> ... -> foldCN -> DType -> b
-- example
data Prop a = Var a | Not (Prop a) | And (Prop a) (Prop a) | Or (Prop a) (Prop a)
foldProp :: (a->b) -> (b->b) -> (b->b->b) -> (b->b->b) -> (Prop a) -> b
foldProp fVar fNot fAnd fOr prop = go prop
```

```
where
    go (Var v) = fVar v
    go (Not v) = fNot (go v)
    go (And v w) = fAnd (go v) (go w)
    go (Or v w) = fOr (go v) (go w)
```

2 Evaluation strategies

Lazy evaluation strategy of application t1 t2

- 1. Evaluate t1
- 2. The argument t2 is substituted in t1 without being evaluated
- 3. No evaluation inside lambda abstractions. In other words, in an abstraction \... -> f t, then f t is not evaluated

Eager evaluation strategy of application t1 t2

- 1. Evaluate t1
- 2. t2 is evaluated prior to substitution in t1
- 3. Evaluation is carried out inside lambda abstractions

2.1 Lazy evaluation in Haskell

Haskell: Lazy Evaluation

- argument only evaluated when no other steps possible
- left term is evaluated first
- argument made to fit pattern

2.1.1 Sheet 1, Ex. 1

```
fibLouis :: Int -> Int
fibLouis 0 = 1
fibLouis 1 = 1
fibLouis n = fibLouis (n - 1) + fibLouis (n - 2)
fibEva :: Int -> Int
fibEva n = fst (aux n) where
   aux 0 = (0, 1)B
   aux n = next (aux (n - 1))
   next (a, b) = (b, a + b)
```

Lazy Evaluation of fibLouis 4

```
fibLouis 4 =
fibLouis (4-1) + fibLouis (4-2) =
-- most left term is evaluated first
fibLouis 3 + fibLouis (4-2) =
(fibLouis (3-1) + fibLouis (3-2)) + fibLouis (4-2)
...
((fibLouis 1 + fibLouis (2-2)) + fibLouis (3-2)) + fibLouis (4-2) =
((1 + fibLouis (2-2)) + fibLouis (3-2)) + fibLouis (4-2) =
...
2 + fibLouis 2 =
2 + (fibLouis (2-1) + fibLouis (2-2))
... = 3
```

Lazy Evaluation of fibEva 4

```
fibEva 4 =
fst (aux 4) =
fst (next (aux (4-1))) =
fst (next (aux 3)) =
fst (next (next (aux (3-1)))) =
fst (next (next (next (aux 2))) =
...
fst (next (next (next (next (0, 1))))) =
fst (next (next (next (1, 0+1)))) =
fst (next (next (0+1, 1+(0+1)))) =
fst (next (1+(0+1), (0+1)+(1+(0+1))))
...
-- pattern (0+1) is repeated
fst ((0+1)+(1+(0+1)), (1+(0+1))+((0+1)+(1+(0+1)))) =
(0+1)+(1+(0+1)) =
1 + (1 + 1) =
```

3 Natural Deduction

3.1 Parenthesizing formulas

- \land binds stronger than \lor stronger than \rightarrow
- \rightarrow associates to right; \land and \lor to the left
- Negation binds stronger than binary operators
- Quantifiers extend to the right as far as possible: end of line or)

```
\begin{array}{lll} p \vee q \wedge \neg r \rightarrow p \vee q & (p \vee (q \wedge (\neg r))) \rightarrow (p \vee q) \\ p \rightarrow q \vee p \rightarrow r & p \rightarrow ((q \vee p) \rightarrow r) \\ p \wedge \forall x. q(x) \vee r & p \wedge (\forall x. (q(x) \vee r)) \\ \neg \forall x. p(x) \wedge \forall x. q(x) \wedge r(x) \wedge s & \neg (\forall x. (p(x) \wedge (\forall x. ((q(x) \wedge r(x)) \wedge s)))) \end{array}
```

3.2 Natural Deduction without quantifiers

If you cannot continue, try to add assumptions by using $\vee E$

3.2.1 Example

Exercise:
$$P = (\neg A) \land (A \lor B) \rightarrow B$$
 is a tautology First step: Parenthesizing $\Rightarrow P \equiv ((\neg A) \land (A \lor B)) \rightarrow B$ Let $\Gamma \equiv (\neg A) \land (A \lor B)$

$$\frac{\frac{\Gamma,A\vdash (\neg A)\land (A\lor B)}{\Gamma\vdash A\lor B}ax}{\frac{\Gamma\vdash A\lor B}{\cap A}\land ER} \xrightarrow{AER} \frac{\frac{\overline{\Gamma,A\vdash (\neg A)\land (A\lor B)}}{\Gamma,A\vdash B}\lnot E} \overset{ax}{\land EL} \xrightarrow{\Gamma,B\vdash B} \overset{ax}{\lor E} \xrightarrow{\Gamma\vdash B} \vdash (\neg A)\land (A\lor B)} \rightarrow I$$

3.3 Natural Deduction with quantifiers

If you cannot continue, try to add assumptions by using $\exists E$ Always check side conditions

3.3.1 Sheet 2, Ex. 3b

Exercise: Proof
$$(\exists x.P \land Q) \rightarrow ((\exists x.P) \lor (\exists x.Q))$$

Let $\Gamma \equiv \exists x.P \land Q, P \land Q$

$$\frac{\frac{\Gamma \vdash P \land Q}{\Gamma \vdash P} \stackrel{ax}{\land} EL}{\frac{\Gamma \vdash P \land Q}{\Gamma \vdash \exists x.P} \stackrel{ax}{\exists I}} \frac{\frac{\Gamma \vdash P \land Q}{\Gamma \vdash Q} \stackrel{ax}{\land} ER}{\frac{\Gamma \vdash Q}{\Gamma \vdash \exists x.Q} \stackrel{\exists I}{\land} I} \frac{\frac{(\exists x.P \land Q) \vdash (\exists x.P \land Q) \vdash (\exists x.P) \lor (\exists x.Q)}{\Gamma \vdash (\exists x.P) \lor (\exists x.Q)}}{\stackrel{\exists E^{**}}{\land} I}$$

4 Binding and α -conversion

Bound: Each occurrence of a variable is bound or free: A variable occurrence x in a formula A is **bound** if x occurs within a sub formula B of A of the form $\exists x.B$ or $\forall x.B$. **Alpha-conversion**: bound variables can be renamed

Examples

		α -convertible
$\forall x. \exists y. p(x,y)$	$\forall y. \exists x. p(y, x)$	yes
$\exists z. \forall y. p(z, f(y))$	$\exists y. \forall y. p(y, f(y))$	no
$(\forall x.p(x)) \lor (\exists x.q(x))$	$(\forall z.p(z)) \lor (\exists y.q(y))$	yes
$p(x) \to \forall x. p(x)$	$p(y) \to \forall y.p(y)$	no

5 Induction

For proofs with [], 0. Leaf or similar, you may first have to proof a generalised statement with induction and then simply plug in your values.

5.1 Induction on natural numbers

Induction scheme:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash P[n \mapsto 0] \qquad \Gamma, P[n \mapsto m] \vdash P[n \mapsto m+1]}{\Gamma \vdash \forall n : Nat.P} \ m \ \text{not free in P}$$

5.1.1 Sheet 3, Ex. 1b

```
(Important parts/"framework" of proof)
Lemma: ∀n.: Nat aux n = (fibLouis n, fibLouis (n+1))
Proof. Let P:=(aux n = (fibLouis n, fibLouis (n+1)))
Base case. Show P[n → 0]
    aux 0 = ...
        = (fibLouis 0, fibLouis (0+1))

Step case. Let m:Nat be arbitrary.
Show that P[n → m] implies P[n → m+1].
Assume aux m = (fibLouis m, fibLouis (m+1))
    aux (m+1) = ...
        = (fibLouis (m+1), fibLouis ((m+1)+1))
```

^{**} side condition OK: x not free in $\exists x.P \land Q$ nor $(\exists x.P) \lor (\exists x.Q)$

5.2 Induction on lists

Induction scheme:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash P[xs \mapsto []] \qquad \Gamma, P[xs \mapsto ys] \vdash P[xs \mapsto (y:ys)]}{\Gamma \vdash \forall xs :: [a].P} \ y, ys \text{ not free in P}$$

5.2.1 Sheet 3, Ex. 2b

```
(Important parts/"framework" of proof)
```

Lemma: foldr (:) [] xs = xs

Proof. Let P:= (foldr (:) [] xs = xs).

We prove by induction over lists that $\forall xs :: [a]$. P holds.

Base case. Show $P[xs \mapsto []]$

Step case. Let y::a, ys::[a] be arbitrary.

Show that $P[xs \mapsto ys]$ implies $P[xs \mapsto (y:ys)]$

Assume foldr (:) [] ys = ys and we show that foldr (:) [] (y:ys) = y:ys

5.2.2 Sheet 4, Ex. 1

(Important parts/"framework" of proof)

Lemma: rev (xs ++ rev ys) = ys ++ rev xs

Proof. Let P' := rev (xs ++ rev ys') = ys' ++ rev xs. We show that \forall ys'. \forall xs..

Fix an arbitrary ys and let $P := [ys' \mapsto ys]$. We show that $\forall xs \ P$.

(This implies ∀ys'.∀xs.P')

Base case: We show $P[xs \mapsto []]$

Step case: We need to show $\forall z$, zs $P[xs \mapsto zs] \rightarrow P[xs \mapsto (z:zs)]$.

Fix arbitrary y::a, ys::[a].

We assume IH: rev (zs ++ rev ys) = ys ++ rev zs

and show that rev ((z:zs) ++ rev ys) = ys ++ rev (z:zs)

5.3 Induction on Trees

Induction scheme:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash P[x \mapsto \text{Leaf}] \qquad \Gamma, P[x \mapsto l], P[x \mapsto r] \vdash P[x \mapsto \text{Node } a \, l \, r]}{\Gamma \vdash \forall xs :: \text{Tree } t.P} \, a, l, r \text{ not free in P}$$

5.3.1 Sheet 6, Ex. 1

```
(Important parts/"framework" of proof)
mapTree f Leaf = Leaf
mapTree f (Node x t1 t2) = Node (f x) (mapTree f t1) (mapTree f t2)

For arbitrary f :: a → b and g :: b → c
∀t :: Tree a. mapTree g (mapTree f t) = mapTree (g . f) t

Proof. Let f :: a → b and g :: b → c be arbitrary functions.

Let P := mapTree g (mapTree f t) = mapTree (g . f) t, and we prove by induction that ∀t :: (Tree a) .P

Base Case: Show P[t → Leaf]

mapTree g (mapTree f Leaf) = ..

= mapTree (g . f) Leaf

Step case: Let x::a, 1::Tree a, r::Tree a be arbitrary.

Assume P[t → 1] and P[t → r]. (IH)

We know show that then P[t → Node x 1 r] holds

mapTree g (mapTree f (Node x 1 r)) = ..

= mapTree (g . f) (Node x 1 r)
```

6 Types and typing inference

```
f :: a -> b -> c -> d:
```

- same as f :: a -> (b -> (c -> d)) (parentheses are right associative)
- f x y z implies x::a, y::b, z::c
- f.e. f x :: b -> c -> d

6.1 Types

- Detect function applications, f.e. $f x \Rightarrow f::a->b$, x::a
- Detect prelude functions such as map, filter, foldr etc.
- "Match" types of different function, f.e. f :: (a->b) -> [a] -> b for $f x \Rightarrow x :: (a->b)$
- Don't forget things like Num a, Eq b => ...

6.1.1 Sheet 5

$$1a \ y z \rightarrow (x y) z$$

- 1. Three arguments, one return value
- 2. (x y) :: a -> b and z :: a
- 3. $x :: c \rightarrow (a-b) \text{ and } y :: c$
- 4. $\xyz \rightarrow (xy)z :: (c \rightarrow a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow c \rightarrow a \rightarrow b$

2a.4 (.).(.) (the end boss)

1. (.) ::
$$(b\rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a\rightarrow b) \rightarrow a \rightarrow c$$

- 2. Rewrite: (.).(.) = .(.)(.) = f g h
- 3. Definition of (.):

4. g is first argument of f:

$$g :: b \rightarrow c$$

 $\Rightarrow b = n \rightarrow o (I) \text{ and } c = (m\rightarrow n) \rightarrow m \rightarrow o (II)$

5. h is first argument of f g:

f g ::
$$(a->b) -> a -> c$$

 $\Rightarrow h :: a -> b$
 $\Rightarrow a = q -> r (III)$
 $b = (p->q) -> p -> r (IV)$

- 6. (I) and (IV) \Rightarrow n = p -> q (V) and o = p -> r
- 7. After taking two arguments, we have the following type

6.2 Typing proof and inference

Solving type inference constraints

- 1. Remove trivial equations like t = t
- 2. Transform equations of form $\{f(s_0,...,s_k)=g(t_0,...,s_m)\}$ into $\{s_0=t_0,...,s_k=t_k\}$ if f=g and k=m, else there is no solution
- 3. Substitute one equation into the others

6.2.1 Sheet 5, Ex. 3

a Proof λx . (x 1 True, x 0) :: (Int -> Bool -> a) -> (a, Bool -> a): Try to match left and right side with typing rule and apply it, should be straight forward b Infer the type of $(\lambda x. \lambda y. (y \text{ (iszero } (y x))))$ True

$$\frac{\overline{x:\tau_{1},y:\tau_{2}\vdash y::\tau_{4}\rightarrow\tau_{3}}\ Var^{1}}{\frac{x:\tau_{1},y:\tau_{2}\vdash y\ (\mathbf{iszero}\ (y\ x))::\tau_{3}}{x:\tau_{1}\vdash\lambda y.(y\ (\mathbf{iszero}\ (y\ x)))::\tau_{0}}\ Abs^{1}}{\frac{\vdash\lambda x.\lambda y.(y\ (\mathbf{iszero}\ (y\ x)))::\tau_{1}\rightarrow\tau_{0}}{\vdash(\lambda x.\lambda y.(y\ (\mathbf{iszero}\ (y\ x))))\ True}::\tau_{0}} \xrightarrow{App}$$

 T_2 :

$$\frac{x:\tau_{1},y:\tau_{2}\vdash y::\tau_{5}\rightarrow Int}{x:\tau_{1},y:\tau_{2}\vdash y::\tau_{5}\rightarrow Int} \frac{Var^{2}}{x:\tau_{1},y:\tau_{2}\vdash x::\tau_{5}} \frac{Var^{3}}{App} \frac{x:\tau_{1},y:\tau_{2}\vdash y:x::Int}{x:\tau_{1},y:\tau_{2}\vdash \mathbf{iszero}\;(y:x)::\tau_{4}} iszero^{1}$$

Finding out τ_0 :

d Infer type of iszero(fst (3+5))

Collected type constraints: $\tau_0 = Bool$ from iszero, $(Int = (Int, \tau_1))$ from BinOp, second constraint does not unify, meaning this doesn't type

Formal Methods

1 Introduction to language semantics

1.1 States

State as a function:

State: $Var \rightarrow Val$

Zero state:

$$\sigma_{zero}(x) = 0$$
 for all x

Updating states:

$$(\sigma[y \mapsto v](x)) = \begin{cases} v & \text{if } x \equiv y\\ \sigma(x) & x \not\equiv y \end{cases}$$

Two states are equal:

$$\sigma_1 = sigma_2 \Leftrightarrow \forall x. (\sigma_1(x) = \sigma_2(x))$$

1.2 Semantics of arithmetic expression

Semantic function:

$$\mathcal{A}: Aexp \to State \to Val$$

Mapping

$$\begin{array}{ll} \mathcal{A}[\![x]\!]\sigma & = \sigma(x) \\ \mathcal{A}[\![n]\!]\sigma & = \mathcal{N}[\![n]\!] \\ \mathcal{A}[\![e_1\,op\,e_2]\!]\sigma & = \mathcal{A}[\![e_1]\!]\,\overline{op}\,\mathcal{A}[\![e_2]\!] \end{array}$$

with \overline{op} the relation Val × Val corresponding to op

1.3 Semantics of boolean expression

Semantic function:

$$\mathcal{B}: \operatorname{Bexp} \to \operatorname{State} \to \operatorname{Val}$$

Mapping

$$\mathcal{B}\llbracket e_1 \, op \, e_2 \rrbracket \sigma \qquad = \begin{cases} \mathsf{tt} & \text{if } \mathcal{A}\llbracket e_1 \rrbracket \sigma \, \overline{op} \, \mathcal{A}\llbracket e_2 \rrbracket \sigma \\ \mathsf{ff} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{B}\llbracket b_1 \, \text{ or } b_2 \rrbracket \sigma \qquad = \begin{cases} \mathsf{tt} & \text{if } \mathcal{B}\llbracket b_1 \rrbracket \sigma = \mathsf{tt} \text{ or } \mathcal{B}\llbracket b_2 \rrbracket \sigma = \mathsf{tt} \\ \mathsf{ff} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{B}\llbracket b_1 \, \text{ and } b_2 \rrbracket \sigma \qquad = \begin{cases} \mathsf{tt} & \text{if } \mathcal{B}\llbracket b_1 \rrbracket \sigma = \mathsf{tt} \text{ and } \mathcal{B}\llbracket b_2 \rrbracket \sigma = \mathsf{tt} \\ \mathsf{ff} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{B}\llbracket \mathsf{not} \, b \rrbracket \sigma \qquad = \begin{cases} \mathsf{tt} & \text{if } \mathcal{B}\llbracket b \rrbracket \sigma = \mathsf{ff} \\ \mathsf{ff} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

with \overline{op} the relation Val × Val corresponding to op

1.4 Free variables

$$\begin{array}{lll} FV(e_1\,op\,e_2) & = FV(e_1) \cup FV(e_2) \\ FV(n) & = \emptyset \\ FV(x) & = \{x\} \\ FV(\text{not } b) & = FV(b) \\ FV(b_1 \text{ or } b_2) & = FV(b_1) \cup FV(b_2) \\ FV(b_1 \text{ and } b_2) & = FV(b_1) \cup FV(b_2) \\ FV(\text{skip}) & = \emptyset \\ FV(x := e) & = \{x\} \cup FV(e) \\ FV(s_1; s_2) & = FV(s_1) \cup FV(e_2) \\ FV(\text{if } b \text{ then } s_1 \text{ else } s_2 \text{ end}) & = FV(b) \cup FV(s_1) \cup FV(s_2) \\ FV(\text{while } b \text{ do } s \text{ end}) & = FV(b) \cup FV(s) \end{array}$$

1.5 Substitution

$$\begin{array}{ll} (e_1 \, op \, e_2)[x \mapsto e] & \equiv (e_1[x \mapsto e]) \\ n[x \mapsto e] & \equiv n \\ \\ y[x \mapsto e] & \equiv \begin{cases} e \quad \text{if } x \equiv y \\ y \quad \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ (\text{not } b)[x \mapsto e] & \text{not } (b[x \mapsto e]) \\ (b_1 \, \text{or } b_2)[x \mapsto e] & (b_1[x \mapsto e] \, \text{or } b_2[x \mapsto e]) \\ (b_1 \, \text{and } b_2)[x \mapsto e] & (b_1[x \mapsto e] \, \text{and } b_2[x \mapsto e]) \end{array}$$

Substitution Lemma:

$$\mathcal{B}\llbracket b[x \mapsto e] \rrbracket \sigma = \mathcal{B}\llbracket b \rrbracket (\sigma[x \mapsto \mathcal{A}\llbracket e \rrbracket \sigma])$$

1.6 Structural induction on arithmetic and boolean expressions

1.6.1 Session sheet 10, Ex. 2

$$\text{Statement: } \forall \sigma, e, e', x \, \mathcal{A}[\![e[x \mapsto e']]\!] \sigma = \mathcal{A}[\![e]\!] (\sigma[x \mapsto \mathcal{A}[\![e']\!] \sigma])$$

Proof. Let σ, x, e' be arbitrary.

Let
$$P(e) \equiv (\mathcal{A}\llbracket e [x \mapsto e'] \rrbracket \sigma = \mathcal{A}\llbracket e \rrbracket (\sigma [x \mapsto \mathcal{A}\llbracket e' \rrbracket \sigma])).$$

We prove $\forall e.P(e)$ by strong structural induction on e.

We want to show P(e) for some arbitrary e and assume $\forall e'' \sqsubseteq e P(e')$

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Case e \equiv n for some numerical value n:

...
Case e \equiv y for some variable y:
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. . .

Case $e \equiv e_1 \, op \, e_2$ for some arithmetic expressions e_1, e_2 :

. . .

1.6.2 Sheet 10, Ex. 2

Statement:
$$\forall \sigma, e, e', x (\mathcal{B}[\![b[x \mapsto e]]\!] \sigma = \mathcal{B}[\![b]\!] (\sigma[x \mapsto \mathcal{A}[\![e]\!] \sigma]))$$

Proof. Let σ, x, e be arbitrary.

Let $P(b) \equiv (\mathcal{B}[\![b[\![x \mapsto e]\!]] \sigma = \mathcal{B}[\![b]\!] (\sigma[x \mapsto \mathcal{A}[\![e]\!] \sigma])).$

We prove $\forall b.P(b)$ by strong structural induction on e.

We want to show P(e) for some arbitrary b and assume $\forall b'' \sqsubseteq b P(b')$

Case $b \equiv b_1$ or b_2 for some boolean expressions b_1, b_2 :

. . .

Case $b \equiv b_1$ and b_2 for some boolean expressions b_1, b_2 :

. . .

Case $b \equiv \text{not } b'$ for some boolean expression b':

. . .

Case $b \equiv e_1 \, op \, e_2$ for some arithmetic expressions e_1, e_2 :

. .

2 Operational Semantics

2.1 Properties

2.1.1 Big step semantics

The execution of a statement s in state σ

- terminates successfully iff $\exists \sigma' \text{ st} \vdash \langle s, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \sigma'$
- fails to terminate iff $\nexists \sigma'$ st $\vdash \langle s, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \sigma'$

Semantic equivalence: s_1 and s_2 are semantically equivalent iff:

$$\forall \sigma, \sigma'. (\vdash \langle s_1, \sigma \rangle \to \sigma' \Leftrightarrow \langle s_2, \sigma \rangle \to \sigma')$$

2.1.2 Small step semantics

The execution of a statement s in state σ

- terminates successfully iff $\exists \sigma' \text{ st} \vdash \langle s, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow_1^* \sigma'$
- fails to terminate iff $\nexists \sigma'$ st $\vdash \langle s, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow_1^* \sigma'$

Semantic equivalence: s_1 and s_2 are semantically equivalent iff for all σ :

- for all stuck or terminal configurations $\gamma: \langle s_1, \sigma \rangle \to_1^* \gamma$ if and only if $\langle s_2, \sigma \rangle \to_1^* \gamma$
- there is an infinite derivation sequence starting in $\langle s_1, \sigma \rangle$ if and only if there is one starting in $\langle s_2, \sigma \rangle$

Lemma: The small-step semantics of IMP are **deterministic**: $\vdash \langle s, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow_1 \gamma \land \langle s, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow_1 \gamma' \Rightarrow \gamma = \gamma'$

2.2 Applying big-step semantics

2.2.1 Example

Let s= if x>y then (x:=y+1;y:=x-2) else skip end. We want to prove $\langle s,\sigma\rangle\to\sigma'$ for σ with $\sigma(x)=4,\,\sigma(y)=2$ and $\sigma'=\sigma[x,y\mapsto 3,1]$

$$\frac{ \overline{\langle x := y+1, \sigma \rangle \to \sigma[x \mapsto 3]} \text{ ASS}_{\text{NS}} \quad \overline{\langle y := x-2, \sigma[x \mapsto 3] \rangle \to \sigma'} \text{ ASS}_{\text{NS}} }{ \underline{\langle (x := y+1; y := x-2), \sigma \rangle \to \sigma'} \text{ IFT}_{\text{NS}} }$$

2.3 Applying small-step semantics

2.3.1 Example

Let s = if x > y then (x := y + 1; y := x - 2) else skip end.

We want to prove $\langle s, \sigma \rangle \to_1^* \sigma'$ for σ with $\sigma(x) = 4$, $\sigma(y) = 2$ and $\sigma' = \sigma[x, y \mapsto 3, 1]$ Derivation sequence:

with the following derivation trees justifying the steps

$$\frac{\langle s, \sigma \rangle \to_1 \langle (x := y + 1; y := x - 2), \sigma \rangle}{\langle x := y + 1, \sigma \rangle \to_1 \sigma[x \mapsto 3]} \operatorname{ASS}_{SOS}
\frac{\langle x := y + 1, \sigma \rangle \to_1 \sigma[x \mapsto 3]}{\langle (x := y + 1; y := x - 2), \sigma \rangle \to_1 \langle y := x - 2, \sigma[x \mapsto 3] \rangle} \operatorname{SEQ1}_{SOS}
\frac{\langle y := x - 2, \sigma[x \mapsto 3] \rangle \to_1 \sigma[x, y \mapsto 3, 1]}{\langle y := x - 2, \sigma[x \mapsto 3] \rangle} \operatorname{ASS}_{SOS}$$

2.4 Induction on shape of derivation tree

General idea:

- 1. Prove that for all σ, σ' ,(expr. in s_1), if $\vdash \langle s_1, \sigma \rangle \to \sigma'$ then P for some property $P \Rightarrow \text{Let } P(T) \equiv \forall \sigma, \sigma'$, (expr. in s_1) $(root(T) \equiv \langle s_1, \sigma \rangle \to \sigma' \Rightarrow P)$ Goal: Prove $\forall T.P(T)$
- 2. Induction hypothesis: For arbitrary T, $\forall T' \sqsubset T.P(T')$
- 3. Let σ, σ' , (expr. in s_1) be arbitrary, assume $\langle s_1, \sigma \rangle \to \sigma'$
- 4. Do case analysis of last rule applied in T
- 5. Derive subtrees of T and properties about σ , like $\mathcal{B}[e]\sigma = \mathsf{tt}$
- 6. Use subtrees, properties of σ and induction hypothesis to prove P

Option: Simply do case distinction, I.H. doesn't have to be applied

2.4.1 Session sheet 11, Ex.4

$$\frac{\langle s,\sigma\rangle \to \sigma'}{\langle \mathtt{repeat}\ s\ \mathtt{until}\ b,\sigma\rangle \to \sigma'}\ (\mathrm{RepT_{NS}})\ \mathrm{if}\ \mathcal{B}\llbracket b \rrbracket \sigma' = \mathtt{tt}$$

$$\frac{\langle s,\sigma\rangle \to \sigma'' \qquad \langle \mathtt{repeat}\ s\ \mathtt{until}\ b,\sigma''\rangle \to \sigma'}{\langle \mathtt{repeat}\ s\ \mathtt{until}\ b,\sigma\rangle \to \sigma'}\ (\mathrm{RepF_{NS}})\ \mathrm{if}\ \mathcal{B}\llbracket e \rrbracket \sigma'' = \mathtt{ff}$$

Prove that for all σ , σ , b, s, if

$$\vdash \langle \texttt{repeat} \ s \ \texttt{until} \ b, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \sigma'$$

then

$$\vdash s$$
; while not b do s end, $\sigma \rangle \rightarrow \sigma'$

Proof.

$$P(T) \equiv \forall \sigma, \sigma', b, s \; (root(T) \equiv \texttt{repeat} \; s \; \texttt{until} \; b, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \sigma'$$

 $\Rightarrow \vdash \langle s; \texttt{while} \; \texttt{not} \; b \; \texttt{do} \; s \; \texttt{end}, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \sigma')$

We prove $\forall T.P(T)$ by induction on the shape of a derivation tree

Induction hypothesis: For arbitrary T, $\forall T' \sqsubset T.P(T')$

Let σ, σ', b, s be arbitrary, assume $\langle \text{repeat } s \text{ until } b, \sigma \rangle \to \sigma'$.

Case analysis of last rule applied in T:

Case (REPT) Then T has the form:

$$\frac{T_1}{\langle s, \sigma \rangle \to \sigma'} \over \langle \texttt{repeat } s \texttt{ until } b, \sigma \rangle \to \sigma'} (\texttt{RepT}_{NS})$$

for some derivation tree T_1 and we must have $\mathcal{B}[\![b]\!]\sigma' = \mathsf{tt}$, hence $\mathcal{B}[\![\mathsf{not}\ b]\!]\sigma' = \mathsf{tt}$. We can construct following tree:

$$\frac{\mathbf{T_1}}{\langle s,\sigma\rangle \to \sigma'} \quad \frac{\langle \text{while not } b \text{ do } s \text{ end}, \sigma'\rangle \to \sigma'}{\langle s; \text{while not } b \text{ do } s \text{ end}, \sigma\rangle \to \sigma'} \quad \text{(SEQ}_{\text{NS}})$$

Case (REPF) Then T has the form:

$$\frac{\mathbf{T_1}}{\frac{\langle s,\sigma\rangle \to \sigma''}{\langle \texttt{repeat } s \texttt{ until } b,\sigma''\rangle \to \sigma'}} \frac{\mathbf{T_2}}{\langle \texttt{repeat } s \texttt{ until } b,\sigma\rangle \to \sigma'} (\text{RepF}_{NS})$$

for some state σ'' and derivation trees T_1, T_2 , where $\mathcal{B}[\![e]\!]\sigma'' = \mathtt{ff}$.

 T_2 is a proper subtree of T, hence $P(T_2)$ holds by I.H.. This implies that there's a derivation tree T_3 with $root(T_3) \equiv \langle s; \text{while not } b \text{ do } s \text{ end}, \sigma'' \rangle \rightarrow \sigma'$. The last rule applied in T_3 must be SEQ_{NS}, so T_3 has the form:

$$\frac{\mathbf{T_4}}{\langle s, \sigma' \rangle \to \sigma'''} \qquad \frac{\mathbf{T_5}}{\langle \text{while not } b \text{ do } s \text{ end}, \sigma''' \rangle \to \sigma'} } (\text{SEQ}_{\text{NS}})$$

for some state σ''' and derivation trees T_4, T_5 .

We can now construct following derivation tree

$$\frac{\mathbf{T_1}}{\frac{\langle s,\sigma\rangle \to \sigma''}{}} \frac{\frac{\mathbf{T_4}}{\langle s,\sigma'\rangle \to \sigma'''}}{\frac{\langle \text{while not } b \text{ do } s \text{ end}, \sigma'''\rangle \to \sigma'}{\langle \text{while not } b \text{ do } s \text{ end}, \sigma''\rangle \to \sigma'}} \text{(WHT}_{NS})}{\langle s; \text{while not } b \text{ do } s \text{ end}, \sigma\rangle \to \sigma'}$$

2.4.2 Session sheet 12/Sheet 12: Proof of equivalence Lemmas

Direction big step to small step semantics:

Use derivation tree of big step semantic to get a derivation sequence for the small step semantic.

Proof.

$$P(T) \equiv \forall \sigma, \sigma', s \ (root(T) \equiv (\langle s, \sigma \rangle \to \sigma') \Rightarrow \langle s, \sigma \rangle \to_1^* \sigma')$$

We prove $\forall T.P(T)$ by induction on the shape of a derivation tree

Induction hypothesis: For arbitrary T, $\forall T' \sqsubset T.P(T')$

Let σ, σ', s be arbitrary, assume $\langle s, \sigma \rangle \to \sigma'$.

Case distinction by last rule applied in T:

Case (WHFNS) Then T has the form:

$$\frac{}{\text{(while } b \text{ do } s' \text{ end}, \sigma) \rightarrow \sigma'} \text{(WHF}_{NS})$$

for some b,s' such that $s\equiv$ while b do s' end and $\mathcal{B}[\![e]\!]\sigma=$ ff.

We can construct following derivation sequence:

$$\langle \texttt{while } b \texttt{ do } s' \texttt{ end}, \sigma \rangle \\ \rightarrow_1^* \dots \\ \rightarrow_1^1 \sigma$$

Case (IFT $_{NS}$) Then T has the form:

$$\frac{\frac{\mathbf{T_1}}{\langle s_1, \sigma \rangle \to \sigma'}}{\langle \texttt{if } b \texttt{ then } s_1 \texttt{ else } s_2 \texttt{ end}, \sigma \rangle \to \sigma'} \, (\text{IFT}_{\text{NS}})$$

for some b, s_1, s_2, T_1 such that $s \equiv \text{if } b$ then s_1 else s_2 end and $\mathcal{B}[\![e]\!]\sigma = \text{tt}$. From $P(T_1)$ we learn $\langle s_1, \sigma \rangle \to_1^* \sigma'$ We can construct following derivation sequence:

$$\langle \text{if } b \text{ then } s_1 \text{ else } s_2 \text{ end}, \sigma
angle \
ightarrow_1^* \langle s_1, \sigma
angle \
ightarrow_1^1 \sigma$$

... (other cases)

2.5 Proving properties of derivation sequences

General idea:

- 1. Prove $\gamma \to_1^* \gamma' \Rightarrow P$ for some property P
- 2. Define $P(k) \equiv (\gamma \to_1^k \gamma' \Rightarrow P)$ to do a strong induction over k
- 3. Deal with case k = 0 (if applicable)
- 4. Deal with case k > 0 by splitting off first execution step $\sigma \to_1^1 \delta \to_1^{k-1} \gamma$
 - Get information by case distinction of first execution step
 - Apply induction hypothesis to remaining step

2.5.1 Session sheet 12/Sheet 12: Proof of equivalence Lemmas

Direction small step to big step semantics:

Proof.

$$Q(k) \equiv (\forall \sigma, \sigma', s \ (\langle s, \sigma \rangle \to_1^k \ \sigma') \Rightarrow \vdash \langle s, \sigma \rangle \to \sigma')$$

Using strong induction, we prove $\forall k \ Q(k)$.

 $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{0}$: Trivially, σ must be and end state.

 $\mathbf{k} > \mathbf{0}$: Assume $\langle s, \sigma \rangle \to_1^k \sigma'$.

The derivation sequence is unrolled to $\langle s, \sigma \rangle \to_1^1 \gamma \to_1^{k-1} \sigma'$. Let T be the derivation tree justifying the first transition. We do a case distinction on the last rule applied in T:

Case (ASS_{SOS}): T has the form

$$\overline{\langle x := e, \sigma \rangle \to_1 \sigma'}$$
 (ASS_{SOS})

for some x, e such that $s \equiv x := e$ and $\gamma = \sigma[x \mapsto \mathcal{A}[\![e]\!]\sigma]$. Since γ is a final state there is no further derivation sequence (k=1), and hence $\sigma' = \gamma = \sigma[x \mapsto \mathcal{A}[\![e]\!]\sigma]$. We can construct the following derivation tree:

$$\overline{\langle x := e, \sigma \rangle \to \sigma'}$$
 (ASS_{NS})

...(other cases)

3 Axiomatic Semantics

Meaning of $\{P\}$ s $\{Q\}$:

- If P evaluates to true in an initial state σ , and if the execution of s from σ terminates in a state σ' then Q will evaluate to true in σ' .
- This describes **partial correctness**, that is, termination is not an essential property

Two statements s_1 and s_2 are provably equivalent if:

$$\forall P, Q :: \vdash \{P\} \ s_1 \ \{Q\} \Leftrightarrow \{P\} \ s_2 \ \{Q\}$$

Meaning of $\{P\}$ s $\{ \Downarrow Q \}$:

- If P evaluates to true in an initial state σ , if the execution of s from σ terminates in a state σ' and Q will evaluate to true in σ' .
- This describes **total correctness**, that is, termination is not an essential property

Termination is proved using loop variants

- Loop variant is an expression that evaluates to a value in a well-founded set (for instance, N)
- Each loop iteration must decrease the value of the loop variant
- The loop has to terminate when a minimal value of the well-founded set is reached (or earlier)

Total correctness derivation rule for loops:

$$\frac{\{n \land P \land e = Z\} \ s \ \{ \Downarrow P \land e < Z \}}{\{P\} \text{ while } b \text{ do } s \text{ end } \{ \Downarrow \neg b \land P \}} \ (\text{WHTOT}_{\text{Ax}}) \text{ if } b \land P \vDash 0 \leq e$$

where Z is a fresh logical variable (not used in P)

The derivation system for partical correctness of IMP programs is sound or complete

- Soundness: if a property can be proved it does indeed hold
- Completeness: if a property holds it can be proved

3.1 Induction on shape of derivation trees

(Not in exercises, but in slides and old exam) Same technique as with big-step semantics

3.1.1 Example

Statement $\forall P, Q. \{P\} \text{ skip } \{Q\} \Rightarrow P \vDash Q$

Proof.

$$P(T) \equiv \forall P, Q. \ root(T) \equiv (\{P\} \ \text{skip} \ \{Q\}) \ \Rightarrow \ P \vDash Q$$

where T is a derivation tree with axiomatic semantic rules applied.

We want to prove $\forall T. P(T)$ by strong structural induction on the shape of a derivation tree.

We do a case distinction by the last rule applied in T:

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3.2 Proof outlines

1. Write pre- and postcondition at beginning/start

2. If you have a loop: Write loop invariant before loop, at starts of loop and after loop

3. Add conditions of while and if statements at start of the statement body

3.2.1 Notations

3.2.2 Finding loop invariants and variants

Finding an invariant:

- Include variables changed in loop
- Include relationships between input and loop variables
- If the goal of a program is to f.e. compute the gcd or compute a sum, include this in the invariant, i.e. $gcd(a,b) = gcd(x,y), \sum_{i=0}^{k} = \dots$
- Implications for if-statements

Finding a variant:

- Find loop variable that decreases
- Find difference/sum of loop variables that decreases

Session sheet 13: GCD algorithm:

IMP program s:

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b := x
c := y
while b # c do
     if b < c then
           c := c - b
      else
           b := b-c
      end
end
z := b
Goal: Prove Hoare Triple \{x = X \land y = Y \land X > 0 \land Y > 0\} s \{ \downarrow z = gcd(X,Y) \} Suitable loop invariant:
gcd(x,y) = gcd(a,b) \land b > 0 \land c > 0 \land x = X \land y = Y
Suitable loop variant: b + c
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IMP program s:
while x < y do
     t := x
     x := y
     y := t
end
Goal: Prove Hoare Triple \{x = X \land y = Y\} s \{ \Downarrow x = max(X, Y) \}
Suitable loop invariant: max(x,y) = max(X,Y)
Suitable loop variant: y - x
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IMP program s:
y := 0
z := 0
while y * y < n do
     y := y+1
      if y * y \le n then
           z := z+1
           skip
      end
end
Goal: Prove Hoare Triple \{n = N \land n \ge 0\} s \{z^2 \le N \land N < (z+1)^2\}
Suitable loop invariant:
                    (y^{2} \le n \Rightarrow y = z) \land (y^{2} > n \Rightarrow y = z + 1) \land (z^{2} \le N) \land (n = N) \land (z \ge 0)
Suitable loop variant: n - y^2
Proof outline:
\{ n = N \land n \ge 0 \}
\{\ (0^2 \leq n \Rightarrow 0 = 0) \land (0^2 > n \Rightarrow 0 = 0 + 1) \land 0^2 \leq n \land n = N \land 0 \geq 0\ \}
\{(y^2 \le n \Rightarrow y = 0) \land (y^2 > n \Rightarrow y = 0 + 1) \land 0^2 \le n \land n = N \land 0 \ge 0\}
\{(y^2 \le n \Rightarrow y = z) \land (y^2 > n \Rightarrow y = z + 1) \land z^2 \le n \land n = N \land z \ge 0 \}
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while y * y < n do
\{ y^2 < n \land (y^2 \le n \Rightarrow y = z) \land (y^2 > n \Rightarrow y = z + 1) \land z^2 \le n \land n = N \land z \ge 0 \land n - y^2 = V \}
\models (1)
\{(y+1-1)^2 < n \land y+1 = z+1 \land z^2 \le n \land n = N \land z \ge 0 \land n - (y+1)^2 < V \}
    y := y+1
\{ \Downarrow (y-1)^2 < n \land y = z + 1 \land z^2 < n \land n = N \land z > 0 \land n - y^2 < V \}
     if y * y \le n then
\{ \Downarrow y \le n \land (y-1)^2 < n \land y = z+1 \land z^2 \le n \land n = N \land z \ge 0 \land n - (y-1)^2 < V \}
\{ \downarrow y \le n \land (y-1)^2 < n \land y = z+1 \land (z+1-1)^2 \le n \land n = N \land z+1 \ge 0 \land n-(y-1)^2 < V \}
        z := z+1
\{ \Downarrow y \le n \land (y-1)^2 \le n \land y = z \land (z-1)^2 \le n \land n = N \land z \ge 0 \land n - (y-1)^2 \le V \}
\{ \Downarrow (y^2 \le n \Rightarrow y = z) \land (y^2 > n \Rightarrow y = z + 1) \land z^2 \le n \land n = N \land z \ge 0 \land n - (y - 1)^2 < V \}
     else
\{ \Downarrow \neg (y \le n) \land (y-1)^2 < n \land y = z+1 \land z^2 \le n \land n = N \land z \ge 0 \land n - (y-1)^2 < V \}
\{ \Downarrow \neg (y \le n) \land (y-1)^2 < n \land y = z+1 \land z^2 \le n \land n = N \land z \ge 0 \land n - (y-1)^2 < V \}
\models (2)
\{ \Downarrow (y^2 \le n \Rightarrow y = z) \land (y^2 > n \Rightarrow y = z + 1) \land z^2 \le n \land n = N \land z \ge 0 \land n - (y - 1)^2 < V \}
\{ \Downarrow (y^2 \le n \Rightarrow y = z) \land (y^2 > n \Rightarrow y = z + 1) \land z^2 \le n \land n = N \land z \ge 0 \land n - (y - 1)^2 < V \}
end
\{ \psi \neg (y^2 < n) \land (y^2 \le n \Rightarrow y = z) \land (y^2 > n \Rightarrow y = z + 1) \land z^2 \le N \land n = N \land z \ge 0 \}
\{ \Downarrow z^2 \leq N \land N < (z+1)^2 \}
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- (1) $y^2 < n$ and $y^2 \le n \Rightarrow y = z$ implies $y = z, y \le 0$ must hold for $n y^2 > n (y + 1)^2$
- (2) As either $y^2 > n$ or $y^2 < n$ are false, they immediately imply the right hand side
- (3) $N < (z+1)^2$ can be shown by case distinction on y: Case $y^< n$: As $y^2 \ge n$, this case is not possible Case $y^2 = n$: $y^2 = n \land (y^2 \le n \implies y = z)$ implies $y^2 = z^2$ and then $N = n = y^2 = z^2 < (z+1)^2$ (last step requires $z \ge 0$) Case $y^2 > n$: $y^2 > n \land (y^2 > n \Rightarrow y = z+1)$ implies y = z+1 and then $N = n < y^2 = (z+1)^2$