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# CS40032: Principles of Programming Languages

## Module 08: Denotational Semantics of Imperative Languages

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- Most sequential programming languages use a *Data Structure* that exists independently of any program in the language
- The data structure is not explicitly mentioned in the language's syntax, but it is possible to build phrases that access it and update it
- This data structure is called the *Store*, and languages that utilize stores are called *Imperative*
- Fundamental *Store*'s are:
  - Primary memory
  - File stores, and
  - Databases



# Imperative Languages: Stores

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- The *Store* and a *Program* share an intimate relationship:
  - The store is critical to the evaluation of a *Phrase* in a program
  - A phrase is understood in terms of
    - how it handles the store, and
    - the absence of a proper store makes the phrase non-executable
  - The store serves as a means of communication between the different phrases in the program
    - Values computed by one phrase are deposited in the store so that another phrase may use them
    - The language's sequencing mechanism establishes the order of communication
  - The store is an inherently *large* argument
  - Only one copy of store exists at any point during the evaluation
  - We use lifted domains to model the *Store*



# Example Language with Assignment: Command

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- A declaration-free Pascal subset
- A program in the language is a sequence of commands
- Stores belong to the domain  $Store$  and serve as arguments to the valuation function:

$$\mathbf{C} : Command \rightarrow Store_{\perp} \rightarrow Store_{\perp}$$

- The purpose of a command is to produce a new store from its store argument
- A command might not terminate its actions upon the store – it can *loop*
- The looping of a command  $\llbracket C \rrbracket$  with store  $s$  has semantics  $\mathbf{C}[\llbracket C \rrbracket]s = \perp$ 
  - $Store$  is lifted to  $Store_{\perp}$
- Command Composition is:

$$\mathbf{C}[\llbracket C_1; C_2 \rrbracket] = \mathbf{C}[\llbracket C_2 \rrbracket] \circ \mathbf{C}[\llbracket C_1 \rrbracket]$$



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## Abstract Syntax:

- Consider the entities as:

$$P \in \textit{Program}$$
$$C \in \textit{Command}$$
$$E \in \textit{Expression}$$
$$B \in \textit{Boolean\_expr}$$
$$I \in \textit{Identifier}$$
$$N \in \textit{Numeral}$$
$$P ::= C.$$
$$C ::= C_1; C_2 \mid \textbf{if } B \textbf{ then } C \mid \textbf{if } B \textbf{ then } C_1 \textbf{ else } C_2 \mid$$
$$I := E \mid \textbf{diverge}$$
$$E ::= E_1 + E_2 \mid I \mid N$$
$$B ::= E_1 = E_2 \mid \neg B$$

**diverge** is a non-terminating command



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## Semantic Algebras:

- *Truth values*

Domain:  $t \in Tr = B$

Operations:

$true, false : Tr$

$not : Tr \rightarrow Tr$

- *Identifiers*

Domain:  $i \in Id = Identifier$

- *Natural Numbers*

Domain:  $n \in Nat = \mathcal{N}$

Operations:

$zero, one, \dots : Nat$

$plus : Nat \times Nat \rightarrow Nat$

$equals : Nat \times Nat \rightarrow Tr$



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- *Store*

Domain:  $s \in \text{Store} = \text{Id} \rightarrow \text{Nat}$

Operations:

$\text{newstore} : \text{Store}$

$\text{newstore} = \lambda i. \text{zero}$

$\text{access} : \text{Id} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Nat}$

$\text{access} = \lambda i. \lambda s. s(i)$

$\text{update} : \text{Id} \rightarrow \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Store}$

$\text{update} = \lambda i. \lambda n. \lambda s. [i \mapsto n]s$





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## Valuation Functions:

- $\mathbf{P} : \text{Program} \rightarrow \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}_\perp$

$$\mathbf{P}[[P]] = \mathbf{P}[[C.]] = ?$$

where the input number  $n$  is associated with identifier  $[[A]]$  in a new store. As the program body is evaluated, and the answer is extracted from the store at  $[[Z]]$

- $\mathbf{C} : \text{Command} \rightarrow \text{Store}_\perp \rightarrow \text{Store}_\perp$

$$\mathbf{C}[[C_1; C_2]] = ?$$

$$\mathbf{C}[[\text{if } B \text{ then } C]] = ?$$

$$\mathbf{C}[[\text{if } B \text{ then } C_1 \text{ else } C_2]] = ?$$

$$\mathbf{C}[[I := E]] = ?$$

$$\mathbf{C}[[\text{diverge}]] = ?$$



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- The clauses of the **C** function are all strict in their use of the store
- Command composition works as discussed earlier
- The conditional commands are choice functions
- The expression  $(e_1 \rightarrow e_2 \ [] \ e_3)$  is non-strict in arguments  $e_2$  and  $e_3$  – the value of **C**[[if *B* then *C*]]*s* is *s* when **B**[[*B*]]*s* is *false*, even if **C**[[*C*]]*s* =  $\perp$
- The assignment statement performs the expected *update*
- The **[[diverge]]** command causes non-termination



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- $\mathbf{E} : Expression \rightarrow Store \rightarrow Nat$   
 $\mathbf{E}[[E_1 + E_2]] = ?$   
 $\mathbf{E}[[I]] = ?$   
 $\mathbf{E}[[N]] = ?$
- $\mathbf{B} : Boolean\_expr \rightarrow Store \rightarrow Tr$   
 $\mathbf{B}[[E_1 = E_2]] = ?$   
 $\mathbf{B}[[\neg B]] = ?$
- $\mathbf{N} : Numeral \rightarrow Nat$  (maps numeral  $\mathcal{N}$  to corresponding  $n \in Nat$ )



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- The **E** function also needs a store argument, but the store is used in a *read only* mode
- **E**'s functionality shows that an expression produces a number, not a new version of store; the store is not updated by an expression
- The equation for addition is stated so that the order of evaluation of  $[[E_1]]$  and  $[[E_2]]$  is not important to the final answer. Indeed, the two expressions might even be evaluated in parallel
- A strictness check of the store is not needed, because **C** has already verified that the store is proper prior to passing it to **E**



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$$\mathbf{P}[[C.]] = \lambda n. \text{let } s = (\text{update } [[A]] \ n \ \text{newstore}) \text{ in} \\ \text{let } s' = \mathbf{C}[[C]]s \text{ in } (\text{access } [[Z]] \ s')$$

where the input number  $n$  is associated with identifier  $[[A]]$  in a new store. As the program body is evaluated, and the answer is extracted from the store at  $[[Z]]$

- $\mathbf{C} : \text{Command} \rightarrow \text{Store}_\perp \rightarrow \text{Store}_\perp$

$$\mathbf{C}[[C_1; C_2]] = \lambda s. \mathbf{C}[[C_2]](\mathbf{C}[[C_1]]s)$$

$$\mathbf{C}[[\text{if } B \text{ then } C]] = \lambda s. \mathbf{B}[[B]]s \rightarrow \mathbf{C}[[C]]s \ [] \ s$$

$$\mathbf{C}[[\text{if } B \text{ then } C_1 \text{ else } C_2]] =$$

$$\lambda s. \mathbf{B}[[B]]s \rightarrow \mathbf{C}[[C_1]]s \ [] \ \mathbf{C}[[C_2]]s$$

$$\mathbf{C}[[I := E]] = \lambda s. \text{update}[[I]] \ (\mathbf{E}[[E]]s) \ s$$

$$\mathbf{C}[[\text{diverge}]] = \lambda s. \perp$$



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- $\mathbf{E} : \text{Expression} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Nat}$   
 $\mathbf{E}[[E_1 + E_2]] = \lambda s. \mathbf{E}[[E_1]]s \text{ plus } \mathbf{E}[[E_2]]s$   
 $\mathbf{E}[[I]] = \lambda s. \text{access } [[I]] s$   
 $\mathbf{E}[[N]] = \lambda s. \mathbf{N}[[N]]$
- $\mathbf{B} : \text{Boolean\_expr} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Tr}$   
 $\mathbf{B}[[E_1 = E_2]] = \lambda s. \mathbf{E}[[E_1]]s \text{ equals } \mathbf{E}[[E_2]]s$   
 $\mathbf{B}[[\neg B]] = \lambda s. \text{not}(\mathbf{B}[[B]]s)$
- $\mathbf{N} : \text{Numeral} \rightarrow \text{Nat}$  (omitted)



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- $P[[Z := 1; \text{if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge; } Z := 3.]](\text{two})$



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- $P[[Z := 1; \text{if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}; Z := 3.]](two)$   
     $= \text{let } s = (\text{update } [[A]] \text{ two newstore}) \text{ in}$   
         $\text{let } s' = C[[Z := 1; \text{if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}; Z := 3]]s$   
         $\text{in } (\text{access } [[Z]] s')$   
  
     $\text{let } s' = C[[Z := 1; \text{if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}; Z := 3]]([[[A]] \mapsto \text{two}] \text{ newstore})$   
     $\text{in } \text{access } [[Z]] s'$





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- $$\bullet \text{ P}[[Z := 1; \text{if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}; Z := 3.]](\text{two})$$

$$= \text{let } s = (\text{update } [[A]] \text{ two newstore}) \text{ in}$$

$$\text{let } s' = \text{C}[[Z := 1; \text{if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}; Z := 3]]s$$

$$\text{in } (\text{access } [[Z]] s')$$

$$\text{let } s' = \text{C}[[Z := 1; \text{if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}; Z := 3]]([ [[A]] \mapsto \text{two} ] \text{ newstore})$$

$$\text{in access } [[Z]] s'$$

- $$\bullet \text{ C}[[Z := 1; \text{if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}; Z := 3]]_{s_1}, s_1 = [ [[A]] \mapsto \text{two} ] \text{ newstore}$$

$$= (\lambda s. \text{C}[[\text{if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}; Z := 3]](\text{C}[[Z := 1]]s))_{s_1}$$

$$\text{C}[[\text{if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}; Z := 3]](\text{C}[[Z := 1]]_{s_1})$$

$$\text{C}[[Z := 1]]_{s_1}$$

$$= (\lambda s. \text{update } [[Z]] (E[[1]]s) s)_{s_1}$$

$$= \text{update } [[Z]] (E[[1]]_{s_1})_{s_1}$$

$$= \text{update } [[Z]] (N[[1]])_{s_1}$$

$$= \text{update } [[Z]] \text{ one } s_1$$

$$= [ [[Z]] \mapsto \text{one} ] [ [[A]] \mapsto \text{two} ] \text{ newstore} = s_2$$

$$\text{C}[[\text{if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}; Z := 3]]_{s_2}$$

$$= (\lambda s. \text{C}[[Z := 3]]((\lambda s. \text{B}[[A = 0]]s \rightarrow \text{C}[[\text{diverge}]]s [] s)s))_{s_2}$$

$$= \text{C}[[Z := 3]]((\lambda s. \text{B}[[A = 0]]s \rightarrow \text{C}[[\text{diverge}]]s [] s)s)_{s_2}$$

$$= \text{C}[[Z := 3]](\text{B}[[A = 0]]_{s_2} \rightarrow \text{C}[[\text{diverge}]]_{s_2} [] s_2)$$



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- $\mathbf{B}[[A = 0]]s_2$ 
  - $= (\lambda s. \mathbf{E}[[A]]s \text{ equals } \mathbf{E}[[0]]s)s_2$
  - $= \mathbf{E}[[A]]s_2 \text{ equals } \mathbf{E}[[0]]s_2$
  - $= (\text{access } [[A]] s_2) \text{ equals zero}$
- $\text{access } [[A]] s_2$ 
  - $= s_2[[A]]$
  - $= ([\text{one}] \mapsto \text{one})[[A]] \mapsto \text{two} \text{ newstore} [[A]]$
  - $= ([\text{two}] \mapsto \text{two})[[A]] \text{ newstore} [[A]] \text{ (why?)}$
  - $= \text{two}$



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- $B[[A = 0]]s_2$   
 $= (\lambda s. \mathbf{E}[[A]]s \text{ equals } \mathbf{E}[[0]]s)s_2$   
 $= \mathbf{E}[[A]]s_2 \text{ equals } \mathbf{E}[[0]]s_2$   
 $= (\text{access } [[A]] s_2) \text{ equals zero}$

$\text{access } [[A]] s_2$   
 $= s_2[[A]]$   
 $= ([ [[Z]] \mapsto \text{one}] [ [[A]] \mapsto \text{two}] \text{newstore})[[A]]$   
 $= ([ [[A]] \mapsto \text{two}] \text{newstore})[[A]] \text{ (why?)}$   
 $= \text{two}$

- Thus,  $B[[A = 0]]s_2 = \text{false}$ , implying that  $\mathbf{C}[[\text{if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}]]s_2 = s_2$ . Now:

$\mathbf{C}[[Z := 3]]s_2$   
 $= [ [[Z]] \mapsto \text{three}]s_2$   
 $\text{let } s' = [ [[Z]] \mapsto \text{three}]s_2 \text{ in access } [[Z]]s'$   
 $= \text{access } [[Z]] [ [[Z]] \mapsto \text{three}]s_2$   
 $= ([ [[Z]] \mapsto \text{three}]s_2)[[Z]]$   
 $= \text{three}$



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- $\bullet$   $P[[Z := 1; \text{if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}; Z := 3.]](\text{zero})$   
 $= \text{let } s' = C[[Z := 1; \text{if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}; Z := 3]]s_3 \text{ in access } [[Z]] s'$   
 where  $s_3 = [ [[A]] \mapsto \text{zero} ] \text{ newstore}$
- $\bullet$   $C[[Z := 1; \text{if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}; Z := 3]]s_3$   
 $= C[[\text{if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}; Z := 3]]s_4$   
 where  $s_4 = [ [[Z]] \mapsto \text{one} ]s_3$
- $\bullet$   $B[[A = 0]]s_4 \rightarrow C[[\text{diverge}]]s_4 [] s_4$   
 $= \text{true} \rightarrow C[[\text{diverge}]]s_4 [] s_4$   
 $= C[[\text{diverge}]]s_4$   
 $= (\underline{\lambda}s. \perp)s_4$   
 $= \perp$
- $\bullet$   $P = \text{let } s' = \perp \text{ in access } [[Z]] s'$   
 $= \perp$



# Example Language with Assignment: Equivalence of Stores

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Prove that:

$$\mathbf{C}[[X := 0; Y := X + 1]]s = \mathbf{C}[[Y := 1; X := 0]]s$$

That is, these programs are equivalent.



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Prove that:

$$\mathbf{C}[[X := 0; Y := X + 1]]s = \mathbf{C}[[Y := 1; X := 0]]s$$

That is, these programs are equivalent.

- $\mathbf{C}[[X := 0; Y := X + 1]]s$   
=  $\mathbf{C}[[Y := X + 1]](\mathbf{C}[[X := 0]]s)$   
=  $\mathbf{C}[[Y := X + 1]]([ [X] ] \mapsto \text{zero})s$   
=  $\text{update } [[Y]] (\mathbf{E}[[X + 1]] ([ [X] ] \mapsto \text{zero})s)([ [X] ] \mapsto \text{zero})s$   
=  $\text{update } [[Y]] \text{ one } [ [X] ] \mapsto \text{zero}]s$   
=  $[ [Y] ] \mapsto \text{one} [ [X] ] \mapsto \text{zero}]s = s_1$
- $\mathbf{C}[[Y := 1; X := 0]]s$   
=  $\mathbf{C}[[X := 0]](\mathbf{C}[[Y := 1]]s)$   
=  $\mathbf{C}[[X := 0]]([ [Y] ] \mapsto \text{one})s$   
=  $[ [X] ] \mapsto \text{zero} [ [Y] ] \mapsto \text{one}]s = s_2$
- Are they the  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  the same store?



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- Are they the  $s_1 = [ \llbracket Y \rrbracket \mapsto one \mid \llbracket X \rrbracket \mapsto zero ]s$  and  $s_2 = [ \llbracket X \rrbracket \mapsto zero \mid \llbracket Y \rrbracket \mapsto one ]s$  the same store?
- The argument is  $\llbracket X \rrbracket : then$   
 $s_1[\llbracket X \rrbracket] = ([\llbracket Y \rrbracket \mapsto one \mid \llbracket X \rrbracket \mapsto zero]s)[\llbracket X \rrbracket]$   
 $= ([\llbracket X \rrbracket \mapsto zero]s)[\llbracket X \rrbracket] = zero$ ; and  
 $s_2[\llbracket X \rrbracket] = ([\llbracket X \rrbracket \mapsto zero \mid \llbracket Y \rrbracket \mapsto one]s)[\llbracket X \rrbracket] = zero$
- The argument is  $\llbracket Y \rrbracket : then$   
 $s_1[\llbracket Y \rrbracket] = ([\llbracket Y \rrbracket \mapsto one \mid \llbracket X \rrbracket \mapsto zero]s)[\llbracket Y \rrbracket] = one$ ; and  
 $s_2[\llbracket Y \rrbracket] = ([\llbracket X \rrbracket \mapsto zero \mid \llbracket Y \rrbracket \mapsto one]s)[\llbracket Y \rrbracket]$   
 $= ([\llbracket Y \rrbracket \mapsto one]s)[\llbracket Y \rrbracket] = one$
- The argument is some identifier  $\llbracket I \rrbracket$  other than  $\llbracket X \rrbracket$  or  $\llbracket Y \rrbracket : then$   
 $s_1[\llbracket I \rrbracket] = s[\llbracket I \rrbracket]$  and  $s_2[\llbracket I \rrbracket] = s[\llbracket I \rrbracket]$ .



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Consider again the example:

$$[[Z := 1; \text{ if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge; } Z := 3]]$$

What is its meaning?

- It is a function:  $Nat \rightarrow Nat_{\perp}$
- Its meaning is:

$$\lambda n. n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \perp \quad [] \text{ three}$$

Prove.





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Consider again the example:

$$[[Z := 1; \text{ if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}; Z := 3]]$$

What is its meaning? It is a function:  $\text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}_\perp$

$$\begin{aligned} & \bullet \mathbf{P}[[Z := 1; \text{ if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}; Z := 3.]] \\ &= \lambda n. \text{ let } s = \text{update } [[A]] \text{ } n \text{ newstore in} \\ & \quad \text{let } s' = \mathbf{C}[[Z := 1; \text{ if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}; Z := 3]]s \\ & \quad \text{in access}[[Z]] s' \\ &= \lambda n. \text{ let } s = \text{update } [[A]] \text{ } n \text{ newstore in} \\ & \quad \text{let } s' = (\lambda s. (\lambda s. \mathbf{C}[[Z := 3]](\mathbf{C}[[\text{if } A = 0 \text{ then diverge}]]s))s)(\mathbf{C}[[Z := 1]]s) \\ & \quad \text{in access}[[Z]] s' \\ &= \lambda n. \text{ let } s = \text{update } [[A]] \text{ } n \text{ newstore in} \\ & \quad \text{let } s' = (\lambda s. (\lambda s. \text{update } [[Z]] \text{ three } s) \\ & \quad \quad ((\lambda s. (\text{access } [[A]] s) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow (\lambda s. \perp) s) s)) \\ & \quad \quad ((\lambda s. \text{update } [[Z]] \text{ one } s) s) \text{ in access } [[Z]] s' \end{aligned}$$

which can be restated as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \lambda n. \text{ let } s = \text{update } [[A]] \text{ } n \text{ newstore in} \\ & \quad \text{let } s' = (\text{lets}'_1 = \text{update } [[Z]] \text{ one } s \text{ in} \\ & \quad \quad \text{let } s'_2 = (\text{access } [[A]] s'_1) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow (\lambda s. \perp) s'_1 \sqcup s'_1 \\ & \quad \quad \text{in update}[[Z]] \text{ three } s'_2) \\ & \quad \text{in access } [[Z]] s' \end{aligned}$$



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- $\lambda n. \text{let } s' = (\text{let } s'_1 = \text{update}[[Z]] \text{ one } s_0 \text{ in}$   
 $\quad \text{let } s'_2 = (\text{access} [[A]] s'_1) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow (\lambda s. \perp) s'_1 \sqcap s'_1$   
 $\quad \text{in update } [[Z]] \text{ three } s'_2)$   
 $\quad \text{in access } [[Z]] s'$

$$(\text{access} [[A]] s_1) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \perp \sqcap s_1$$

$$= n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \perp \sqcap s_1$$

The conditional can be simplified no further. We can make use of the following property;

"for  $e_2 \in \text{Store}_\perp$  such that  $e_2 \neq \perp$  ,

$\text{let } s = (e_1 \rightarrow \perp \sqcap e_2) \text{ in } e_3 \text{ equals } e_1 \rightarrow \perp \sqcap [e_2/s]e_3$ "

$$\text{let } s'_2 = (n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \perp \sqcap s_1) \text{ in update } [[Z]] \text{ three } s'_2$$

$$= n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \perp \sqcap \text{update } [[Z]] \text{ three } s_1$$

$$\lambda n. \text{let } s' = (n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \perp \sqcap \text{update } [[Z]] \text{ three } s_1) \text{ in access } [[Z]] s'$$

$$\lambda n. n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \perp \sqcap \text{access} [[Z]] (\text{update } [[Z]] \text{ three } s_1)$$

$$\lambda n. n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \perp \sqcap \text{three}$$



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- The language is an interactive file editor
- A file is a list of records, where the domain of records is taken as primitive
- The file editor makes use of two levels of store
  - the primary store is a component holding the file being edited upon by the user (has a current record marker), and
  - the secondary store is a system of text files indexed by their names
- The edit process:
  - **Load** a file (identified by name) from secondary store to primary store. This initializes the current record to the first record of the file

This is skipped for new files

- **Edit** the file in the primary store (*forward / remind* – move current record marker forward or reverse, *insert / delete* record)

Alternately, the editor may *Create* a new file and start editing

- **Save** the file from primary store to secondary store



# Interactive File Editor: Abstract Syntax

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## Abstract Syntax:

- Consider the entities as:

$$P \in \textit{Program\_session}$$
$$S \in \textit{Command\_sequence}$$
$$C \in \textit{Command}$$
$$R \in \textit{Record}$$
$$B \in \textit{Boolean\_expr}$$
$$I \in \textit{Identifier}$$
$$P ::= \mathbf{edit} \ I \ \mathbf{cr} \ S$$
$$S ::= C \ \mathbf{cr} \ S \mid \mathbf{quit}$$
$$C ::=$$
$$\mathbf{newfile} \mid \mathbf{moveforward} \mid \mathbf{moveback} \mid \mathbf{insert} \ R \mid \mathbf{delete}$$



# An Interactive File Editor: Openfile Representation

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Summary

- The edited files are values from the *Openfile* domain
- An opened file  $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_{last}$  is represented by two lists of text records; the lists break the file open in the middle:

$r_1 \ r_2 \ \dots \ r_{i-1} \ r_i \ r_{i+1} \ \dots \ r_{last-1} \ r_{last}$



*Current Record*

$r_{i-1} \dots r_2 r_1$

$r_i r_{i+1} \dots r_{last}$

where  $r_i$  is the *current* record of the opened file

Note how the first list is written in the reverse order



# An Interactive File Editor: newfile & copyin

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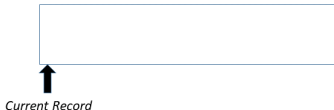
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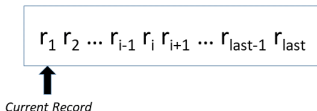
Summary

- $\bullet$  *newfile* represents a file with no records



*newfile* : *Openfile*  
*newfile* = (*nil*, *nil*)

- $\bullet$  *copyin* takes a file from the file system and organizes it as:



$r_1 r_2 \dots r_{last}$

where  $r_1$  is the *current* record of the opened file

*copyin* : *File*  $\rightarrow$  *Openfile*  
*copyin* =  $\lambda f. (nil, f)$



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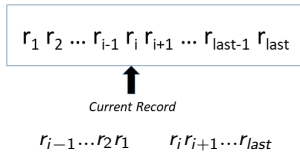
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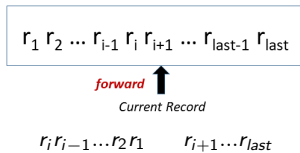
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Summary

- The *forwards* operation makes the record *following* the current record the new current record. Pictorially, for:



a forwards move produces:



*forwards* : *Openfile* → *Openfile*

*forwards* =  $\lambda(front, back).null \ back \rightarrow (front, back)$

$\square ((hd \ back) \ cons \ front, (tl \ back))$



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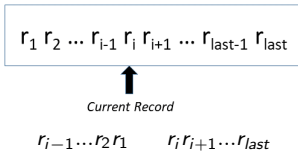
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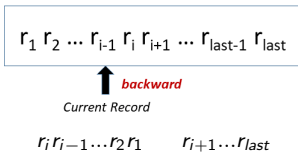
Applicative Language

Summary

- The *backwards* operation makes the record *preceding* the current record the new current record. Pictorially, for:



a backward move produces:



*backwards* : *Openfile*  $\rightarrow$  *Openfile*

*backwards* =  $\lambda(\text{front}, \text{back}).\text{null front} \rightarrow (\text{front}, \text{back})$

$\square \ (tl \ \text{front}, (hd \ \text{front}) \ \text{cons} \ \text{back})$





# An Interactive File Editor: insert R

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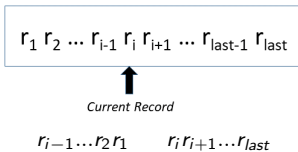
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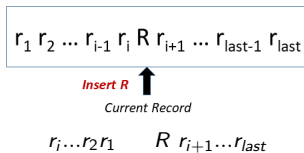
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Summary

- *insert* places a record  $R$  after the current record. Pictorially, for:



an insertion of record  $R$  produces:



The newly inserted record becomes *current*

*insert* :  $Record \times Openfile \rightarrow Openfile$

*insert* =  $\lambda(r, (front, back)). null \ back \rightarrow (front, r \ cons \ back)$

$\square ((hd \ back) \ cons \ front), r \ cons \ (tl \ back))$



# An Interactive File Editor: delete

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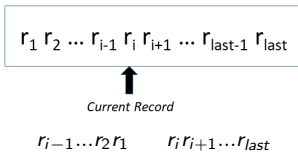
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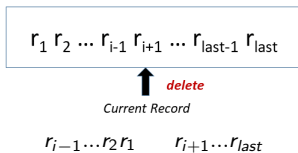
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Summary

- *delete* removes the *current record*. Pictorially, for:



deletion produces:



The record following the deleted record becomes *current*

*delete* : *Openfile* → *Openfile*

*delete* =  $\lambda(\text{front}, \text{back}).(\text{front}, (\text{null } \text{back} \rightarrow \text{back} [] \text{tl } \text{back}))$

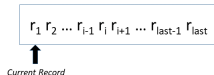


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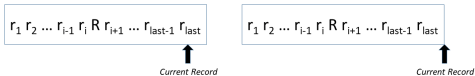
## Interactive File Editor

- The final three operations test whether
  - the first record in the file is current (*at\_first\_record*),


$$at\_first\_record : Openfile \rightarrow Tr$$

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at_first_record = λ(front, back).null front
```

- the last record in the file is current (*at\_last\_record*), or if


$$at\_last\_record : Openfile \rightarrow Tr$$

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at_last_record = λ(front, back).null back → true
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$\llbracket \text{null } (tl \text{ back}) \rightarrow \text{true} \rrbracket \text{ false}$

- the file is empty (*isempty*)


$$isempty : Openfile \rightarrow Tr$$

*isempty* =  $\lambda(\text{front}, \text{back}).(\text{null front})$  and  $(\text{null back})$



# An Interactive File Editor: copyout

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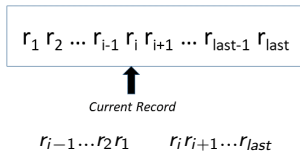
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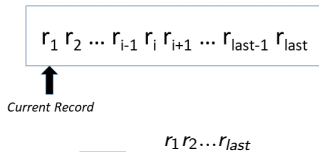
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Summary

- An open file  $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_{last}$  in the *Openfile* domain:



needs to be written back to File System. *copyout* is the operation for it which should convert it to:



and then write back:

*copyout* : *Openfile* → *File*

*copyout* =  $\lambda p. \text{"appends fst}(p) \text{ to snd}(p) - \text{defined later}"}$  // Recursive

*copyout* =  $\lambda(\text{front}, \text{back}). \text{null front} \rightarrow \text{back}$

□ *copyout*((tl front), ((hd front) cons back))



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Summary

- *Truth Values*

Domain:  $t \in Tr$

Operations:

$true, false : Tr = \mathcal{B}$

$and : Tr \times Tr \rightarrow Tr$

- *Identifiers*

Domain:  $i \in Id = Identifier$

- *Text records*

Domain:  $r \in Record$

- *Text file*

Domain:  $f \in File = Record^*$

- *File System*

Domain:  $s \in File\_system = Id \rightarrow File$

Operations:

$access : Id \times File\_system \rightarrow File$

$access = \lambda(i, s).s(i)$

$update : Id \times File \times File\_system \rightarrow File\_system$

$update = \lambda(i, f, s).[i \mapsto f]s$



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Summary

- *Open file*

Domain:  $p \in \text{Openfile} = \text{Record}^* \times \text{Record}^*$

Operations:

*newfile* : *Openfile*

*newfile* = (*nil*, *nil*)

*copyin* : *File* → *Openfile*

*copyin* =  $\lambda f.(\text{nil}, f)$

*copyout* : *Openfile* → *File*

*copyout* =  $\lambda p.$  "appends *fst*(*p*) to *snd*(*p*) – defined later" // Recursive

*copyout* =  $\lambda(\text{front}, \text{back}).\text{null front} \rightarrow \text{back}$

□ *copyout*((*tl front*), ((*hd front*) *cons back*))

*forwards* : *Openfile* → *Openfile*

*forwards* =  $\lambda(\text{front}, \text{back}).\text{null back} \rightarrow (\text{front}, \text{back})$

□ ((*hd back*) *cons front*, (*tl back*))

*backwards* : *Openfile* → *Openfile*

*backwards* =  $\lambda(\text{front}, \text{back}).\text{null front} \rightarrow (\text{front}, \text{back})$

□ (*tl front*, (*hd front*) *cons back*)

*insert* : *Record* × *Openfile* → *Openfile*

*insert* =  $\lambda(r, (\text{front}, \text{back})).\text{null back} \rightarrow (\text{front}, r \text{ cons back})$

□ ((*hd back*) *cons front*), *r cons* (*tl back*))

*delete* : *Openfile* → *Openfile*

*delete* =  $\lambda(\text{front}, \text{back}).(\text{front}, (\text{null back} \rightarrow \text{back} \square \text{tl back}))$



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Summary

- *Open file (Contd.)*

Operations:

$at\_first\_record : Openfile \rightarrow Tr$

$at\_first\_record = \lambda(front, back). null\ front$

$at\_last\_record : Openfile \rightarrow Tr$

$at\_last\_record = \lambda(front, back). null\ back \rightarrow true$

$[] (null\ (tl\ back)) \rightarrow true\ []\ false)$

$isempty : Openfile \rightarrow Tr$

$isempty = \lambda(front, back). (null\ front) \text{ and } (null\ back)$

- *Character String*

Domain:  $String =$  the strings formed from the elements of  $\mathcal{C}$   
(including an error string)

Operations:

$A, B, C, \dots, Z : String$

$empty : String$

$error : String$

$concat : String \times String \rightarrow String$

$length : String \rightarrow Nat$

$substr : String \times Nat \times Nat \rightarrow String$

- *Output terminal log*

Domain:  $l \in Log = String^*$



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Summary

## Valuation Functions:

- $P : Program\_session \rightarrow File\_system \rightarrow (Log \times File\_system)$   
 $P[[edit\ I\ cr\ S]] = ?$
- $S : Command\_sequence \rightarrow Openfile \rightarrow (Log \times Openfile)$   
 $S[[C\ cr\ S]] = ?$   
 $S[[quit]] = ?$
- $C : Command \rightarrow Openfile \rightarrow (String \times Openfile)$   
 $C[[newfile]] = ?$   
 $C[[moveforward]] = ?$   
 $C[[moveback]] = ?$   
 $C[[insert\ R]] = ?$   
 $C[[delete]] = ?$





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## Valuation Functions:

- $\mathbf{P} : \text{Program\_session} \rightarrow \text{File\_system} \rightarrow (\text{Log} \times \text{File\_system})$   
 $\mathbf{P}[[\text{edit } I \text{ cr } S]]$   
 $= \lambda s. \text{let } p = \text{copyin}(\text{access}([I], s)) \text{ in}$   
 $\quad ("edit \ I" \text{ cons } \text{fst}(\mathbf{S}[[S]]p),$   
 $\quad \text{update}([I], \text{copyout}(\text{snd}(\mathbf{S}[[S]]p)), s))$
- $\mathbf{S} : \text{Command\_sequence} \rightarrow \text{Openfile} \rightarrow (\text{Log} \times \text{Openfile})$   
 $\mathbf{S}[[C \text{ cr } S]]$   
 $= \lambda p. \text{let } (I', p') = \mathbf{C}[[C]]p \text{ in}$   
 $\quad ((I' \text{ cons } \text{fst}(\mathbf{S}[[S]]p')), \text{snd}(\mathbf{S}[[S]]p'))$   
 $\mathbf{S}[[\text{quit}]] = \lambda p. ("quit" \text{ cons } \text{nil}, p)$



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Summary

- The **S** function collects the log messages into a list
- **S**[[quit]] builds the very end of this list
- The equation for **S**[[C cr S]] deserves a bit of study. It says to:
  - Evaluate **C**[[C]] $p$  to obtain the next log entry  $l'$  plus the updated open file  $p'$
  - Cons  $l'$  to the log list and pass  $p'$  onto **S**[[S]]
  - Evaluate **S**[[S]] $p'$  to obtain the meaning of the remainder of the program, which is the rest of the log output plus the final version of the updated open file



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•  $C : Command \rightarrow Openfile \rightarrow (String \times Openfile)$

$C[[\text{newfile}]] = \lambda p. ("newfile", newfile)$

$C[[\text{moveforward}]]$

$= \lambda p. let (k', p') = isempty(p) \rightarrow ("error : file is empty", p)$   
     $\square (at\_last\_record(p) \rightarrow ("error : at back already", p)$   
         $\square ("", forwards(p)))$   
     $in ("moveforward" \text{ concat } k', p')$

$C[[\text{moveback}]]$

$= \lambda p. let (k', p') = isempty(p) \rightarrow ("error : file is empty", p)$   
     $\square (at\_first\_record(p) \rightarrow ("error : at front already", p))$   
         $\square ("", backwards(p))$   
     $in ("moveback" \text{ concat } k', p')$

$C[[\text{insert } R]] = \lambda p. ("insert R", insert(R[[R]], p))$

$C[[\text{delete}]]$

$= \lambda p. let (k', p') = isempty(p) \rightarrow ("error : file is empty", p)$   
     $\square ("", delete(p))$   
     $in ("delete" \text{ concat } k', p')$



# Interactive File Editor: Example Program Workout 1

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Summary

- **C[[delete]]**(*newfile*)  
= *let* (*k'*, *p'*) = *isempty*(*newfile*) → ("error :  
*file is empty*", *newfile*)  
    [] ("", *delete*(*newfile*))  
  *in* ("delete" concat *k'*, *p'*))  
= *let* (*k'*, *p'*) = ("error : file is empty", *newfile*)  
  *in* ("delete" concat *k'*, *p'*)  
= ("delete" concat "error : file is empty", *newfile*)  
= ("delete error : file is empty", *newfile*)



# Interactive File Editor: Example Program Workout 2

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Let  $[[A]]$  be the name of a nonempty file in the file system  $s_0$ .

- $P[[\text{edit } A \text{ cr moveback cr delete cr quit}]]_{s_0}$   
= ("edit A" cons fst( $S[[\text{moveback cr delete cr quit}]]p_0$ ),  
update( $[[A]]$ , copyout(snd( $S[[\text{moveback cr delete cr quit}]]p_0$ ),  $s_0$ ))  
where  $p_0 = \text{copyin}(\text{access}([A], s_0))$ )  
  
= ("edit A" cons "moveback error : at front already"  
cons fst( $S[[\text{delete cr quit}]]p_0$ )),  
update( $[[A]]$ , copyout(snd( $S[[\text{delete cr quit}]]p_0$ ),  $s_0$ )))



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- $P[[\text{edit } A \text{ cr moveback cr delete cr quit}]]_{s_0}$   
 $= ("edit \ A" \ cons \ fst(S[[\text{moveback cr delete cr quit}]]_{p_0}),$   
 $\quad update([[A]], \ copyout(snd(S[[\text{moveback cr delete cr quit}]]_{p_0}), s_0))$   
 $\quad \text{where } p_0 = copyin(access([[A]], s_0))$

$= ("edit \ A" \ cons \ "moveback \ error : \ at \ front \ already"$   
 $\quad cons \ fst(S[[\text{delete cr quit}]]_{p_0})),$   
 $\quad update([[A]], \ copyout(snd(S[[\text{delete cr quit}]]_{p_0}))))$

$S[[\text{delete cr quit}]]_{p_0}$  simplifies to a pair  $("delete \ quit", p_1)$ , for  
 $p_1 = delete(p_0)$ , and the final result is:  
 $("edit \ A \ moveback \ error : \ at \ front \ already \ delete \ quit,"$   
 $\quad update([[A]], \ copyout(p_1), s_0))$



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- An extension of the Language with assignment
- Languages like Python, SNOBOL allow variables to take on values from different data types during the course of evaluation
- This provides flexibility to the user but requires that type checking be performed at run-time
- The semantics of the language gives us insight into the type checking
- We use:
  - $\text{Storable\_value} = Tr + Nat$
  - $\text{Store} = Id \rightarrow \text{Storable\_value}$
- Since storable values are used in arithmetic and logical expressions, type errors are possible, as in an attempt to add a truth value to a number



# Dynamically Typed Language with IO: Abstract Syntax

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## Abstract Syntax:

- Consider the entities as:

$$P \in \textit{Program\_session}$$
$$C \in \textit{Command}$$
$$E \in \textit{Expression}$$
$$N \in \textit{Numeral}$$
$$I \in \textit{Id}$$
$$P ::= C.$$
$$C ::= C_1; C_2 \mid I := E \mid$$
$$\textbf{if } E \textbf{ then } C_1 \textbf{ else } C_2 \mid \textbf{read } I \mid \textbf{write } E \mid \textbf{diverge}$$
$$E ::= E_1 + E_2 \mid E_1 = E_2 \mid \neg E \mid (E) \mid I \mid N \mid \textbf{true}$$





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## Semantic Algebras:

- *Truth values*

Domain:  $t \in Tr = B$

Operations:

$true, false : Tr$

$not : Tr \rightarrow Tr$

- *Natural Numbers*

Domain:  $n \in Nat = \mathcal{N}$

Operations:

$zero, one, \dots : Nat$

$plus : Nat \times Nat \rightarrow Nat$

$equals : Nat \times Nat \rightarrow Tr$

- *Identifiers*

Domain:  $i \in Id = Identifier$



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## Semantic Algebras:

- *Character String*

Domain: *String* = the strings formed from the elements of  $\mathcal{C}$  (including an *error* string)

Operations:

$A, B, C, \dots, Z : \text{String}$

$\text{empty} : \text{String}$

$\text{error} : \text{String}$

$\text{concat} : \text{String} \times \text{String} \rightarrow \text{String}$

$\text{length} : \text{String} \rightarrow \text{Nat}$

$\text{substr} : \text{String} \times \text{Nat} \times \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{String}$

- *Values that may be stored*

Domain:  $v \in \text{Storable\_value} = \text{Tr} + \text{Nat}$



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- *Values that expressions may denote*

Domain:  $x \in \text{Expressible\_value} = \text{Storable\_value} + \text{Errvalue}$

where  $\text{Errvalue} = \text{Unit}$

Operations:

$\text{check\_expr} : (\text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Expressible\_value}) \times$

$(\text{Storable\_value} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Expressible\_value}) \rightarrow (\text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Expressible\_value})$

$f_1 \text{ check\_expr } f_2 = \lambda s. \text{let } z = (f_1 \ s) \text{ in cases } z \text{ of}$

$\text{isStorable\_value}(v) \rightarrow (f_2 \ v \ s)$

$\text{[] isErrvalue}() \rightarrow \text{inErrvalue}()$

$\text{end}$

**Note:**  $\text{check\_expr}$  performs error trapping at the expression level

The context of  $\text{check\_expr}$  is when two expressions are used to build a bigger expression with an operator. For example,  $E_1 + E_2$ .

$f_1$  is the valuation function  $[[E_1]]$  of  $E_1$  that takes the store  $s$  to produce  $v \in \text{Storable\_value}$  (or an  $\text{Errvalue}$  in which case we cannot proceed). If  $v$  is not a type error,  $f_2$ , the valuation function  $[[E_2]]$  of  $E_2$ , takes the store  $s$  to produce  $v' \in \text{Storable\_value}$  (or an  $\text{Errvalue}$ ). Finally, the operator (*plus*) is applied onto  $v$  and  $v'$  (if there is not type error) to produce the final result.



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- *Input buffer*

Domain:  $i \in \text{Input} = \text{Expressible\_value}^*$

Operations:

$\text{get\_value} : \text{Input} \rightarrow (\text{Expressible\_value} \times \text{Input})$

$\text{get\_value} = \lambda i. \text{null } i \rightarrow (\text{inErrvalue}(), i) \quad [] \quad (\text{hd } i, \text{tl } i)$

- *Output buffer*

Domain:  $o \in \text{Output} = (\text{Storable\_value} + \text{String})^*$

Operations:

$\text{empty} : \text{Output}$

$\text{empty} = \text{nil}$

$\text{put\_value} : \text{Storable\_value} \times \text{Output} \rightarrow \text{Output}$

$\text{put\_value} = \lambda(v, o). \text{inStorable\_value}(v) \text{ cons } o$

$\text{put\_message} : \text{String} \times \text{Output} \rightarrow \text{Output}$

$\text{put\_message} = \lambda(t, o). \text{inString}(t) \text{ cons } o$



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- *Store*

Domain:  $s \in \text{Store} = \text{Id} \rightarrow \text{Storable\_value}$

Operations:

$\text{newstore} : \text{Store}$

$\text{access} : \text{Id} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Storable\_value}$

$\text{access} = \lambda(i, s).s(i)$

$\text{update} : \text{Id} \rightarrow \text{Storable\_value} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Store}$

$\text{update} = \lambda(i, v, s).[i \mapsto v]s$

- *Program State*

Domain:  $a \in \text{State} = \text{Store} \times \text{Input} \times \text{Output}$



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- *Post program state*

Domain:  $z \in \text{Post\_state} = \text{OK} + \text{Err}$

where  $\text{OK} = \text{State}$  and  $\text{Err} = \text{State}$

Operations:

$\text{check\_result} : (\text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Expressible\_value}) \times$

$(\text{Storable\_value} \rightarrow \text{State} \rightarrow \text{Post\_state}_\perp)$

$\rightarrow (\text{State} \rightarrow \text{Post\_state}_\perp)$

$f \text{ check\_result } g = \lambda(s, i, o). \text{let } z = (f \ s) \text{ in cases } z \text{ of}$   
 $\text{isStorable\_value}(v) \rightarrow (g \ v \ (s, i, o))$

$\square \text{ isErrvalue}() \rightarrow$

$\text{inErr}(s, i, \text{put\_message}(\text{"type error"}, o)) \text{ end}$

$\text{check\_cmd} : (\text{State} \rightarrow \text{Post\_state}_\perp) \times$

$(\text{State} \rightarrow \text{Post\_state}_\perp) \rightarrow (\text{State} \rightarrow \text{Post\_state}_\perp)$

$h_1 \text{ check\_cmd } h_2 = \lambda a. \text{let } z = (h_1 \ a) \text{ in cases } z \text{ of}$   
 $\text{isOK}(s, i, o) \rightarrow h_2 \ (s, i, o)$

$\square \text{ isErr}(s, i, o) \rightarrow z \text{ end}$



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- Program state (State) is a triple of store and input and output buffers
- The Post\_state domain is used to signal when an evaluation is completed successfully and when a type error occurs
- The tag attached to the state is utilized by the *check\_cmd* operation

The expression  $(\mathbf{C}[[C_1]] \text{ check\_cmd } \mathbf{C}[[C_2]])$  denotes the sequencing operation for the language and does the following:

- 1 It gives the current state  $a$  to  $\mathbf{C}[[C_1]]$ , producing a Post\_state  $z = \mathbf{C}[[C_1]]a$
- 2 If  $z$  is a proper state  $a'$ , and then, if the state component is *OK*, it produces  $\mathbf{C}[[C_2]]a'$
- 3 If  $z$  is erroneous,  $\mathbf{C}[[C_2]]$  is ignored (it is *branched over*), and  $z$  is the result

*check\_result*, sequences an expression with a command:

- 1 For example, for an assignment  $[[I := E]]$ ,  $[[E]]$ 's value must be determined before a store update can occur
- 2 If Since  $[[E]]$ 's evaluation may cause a type error, the error must be detected before the update is attempted
- 3 Operation *check\_result* performs this action

*check\_expr* performs error trapping at the expression level



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## Valuation Functions:

- $\mathbf{P} : \text{Program} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Input} \rightarrow \text{Post\_state}_\perp$   
 $\mathbf{P}[[C.]] = \lambda s. \lambda i. \mathbf{C}[[C]] (s, i, \text{empty})$
- $\mathbf{C} : \text{Command} \rightarrow \text{State} \rightarrow \text{Post\_state}_\perp$   
 $\mathbf{C}[[C_1; C_2]] = \mathbf{C}[[C_1]] \text{ check\_cmd } \mathbf{C}[[C_2]]$

## Recall:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{check\_cmd} : (\text{State} \rightarrow \text{Post\_state}_\perp) \times \\ (\text{State} \rightarrow \text{Post\_state}_\perp) \rightarrow (\text{State} \rightarrow \text{Post\_state}_\perp) \\ h_1 \text{ check\_cmd } h_2 = \lambda a. \text{let } z = (h_1 \ a) \text{ in cases } z \text{ of} \\ \quad \text{isOK}(s, i, o) \rightarrow h_2 (s, i, o) \\ \quad [] \text{ isErr}(s, i, o) \rightarrow z \text{ end} \end{aligned}$$





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- $\mathbf{C}[[I := E]] = \mathbf{E}[[E]] \text{ check\_result } (\lambda v. \lambda(s, i, o). \text{inOK}((\text{update}[[I]] \ v \ s), i, o))$   
 $\mathbf{C}[[\text{if } E \text{ then } C_1 \text{ else } C_2]] = \mathbf{E}[[E]] \text{ check\_result}$   
 $(\lambda v. \lambda(s, i, o). \text{cases } v \text{ of}$   
 $\quad \text{isTr}(t) \rightarrow (t \rightarrow \mathbf{C}[[C_1]] \ [] \ \mathbf{C}[[C_2]])(s, i, o)$   
 $\quad [] \text{ isNat}(n) \rightarrow \text{inErr}(s, i, \text{put\_message}(\text{"bad test"}, o)) \text{ end})$   
 $\mathbf{C}[[\text{read } I]] = \lambda(s, i, o). \text{let } (x, i') = \text{get\_value}(i) \text{ in}$   
 $\quad \text{cases } x \text{ of}$   
 $\quad \text{isStorable\_value}(v) \rightarrow \text{inOK}((\text{update}[[I]] \ v \ s), i', o)$   
 $\quad [] \text{ isErrvalue}() \rightarrow \text{inErr}(s, i', \text{put\_message}(\text{"bad input"}, o)) \text{ end}$   
 $\mathbf{C}[[\text{write } E]] = \mathbf{E}[[E]] \text{ check\_result } (\lambda v. \lambda(s, i, o). \text{inOK}(s, i, \text{put\_value}(v, o)))$   
 $\mathbf{C}[[\text{diverge}]] = \lambda a. \perp$

**Recall:**

*check\_result :*

$(\text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Expressible\_value}) \times (\text{Storable\_value} \rightarrow \text{State} \rightarrow \text{Post\_state}_\perp)$   
 $\rightarrow (\text{State} \rightarrow \text{Post\_state}_\perp)$

$f \text{ check\_result } g = \lambda(s, i, o). \text{let } z = (f \ s) \text{ in cases } z \text{ of}$   
 $\quad \text{isStorable\_value}(v) \rightarrow (g \ v \ (s, i, o))$   
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- $\mathbf{E} : \text{Expression} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Expressible\_value}$   
 $\mathbf{E}[[E_1 + E_2]] = \mathbf{E}[[E_1]] \text{ check\_expr}$   
 $(\lambda v. \text{cases } v \text{ of}$   
 $\quad \text{isTr}(t) \rightarrow \lambda s. \text{inErrvalue}()$   
 $\quad [] \text{ isNat}(n) \rightarrow \mathbf{E}[[E_2]] \text{ check\_expr}$   
 $\quad (\lambda v'. \lambda s. \text{cases } v' \text{ of}$   
 $\quad \quad \text{isTr}(t') \rightarrow \text{inErrvalue}()$   
 $\quad \quad [] \text{ isNat}(n') \rightarrow \text{inStorable\_value}(\text{inNat}(n \text{ plus } n')) \text{ end})$   
 $\text{end})$

**Recall:**

$\text{check\_expr} : (\text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Expressible\_value}) \times$   
 $(\text{Storable\_value} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Expressible\_value}) \rightarrow (\text{Store} \rightarrow$   
 $\text{Expressible\_value})$   
 $f_1 \text{ check\_expr } f_2 = \lambda s. \text{let } z = (f_1 \ s) \text{ in cases } z \text{ of}$   
 $\quad \text{isStorable\_value}(v) \rightarrow (f_2 \ v \ s)$   
 $\quad [] \text{ isErrvalue}() \rightarrow \text{inErrvalue}()$   
 $\text{end}$



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- $E[[E1 = E2]] = \text{"similar to above equation"}$

$$E[[\neg E]] = E[[E]] \text{check\_expr}$$

$$(\lambda v. \lambda s. \text{cases } v \text{ of}$$

$$\quad \text{isTr}(t) \rightarrow \text{inStorable\_value}(\text{inTr}(\text{not } t))$$

$$\quad [] \text{isNat}(n) \rightarrow \text{inErrvalue}() \text{ end})$$

$$E[[E]] = E[[E]]$$

$$E[[I]] = \lambda s. \text{inStorable\_value}(\text{access } [[I]] \ s)$$

$$E[[N]] = \lambda s. \text{inStorable\_value}(\text{inNat}(\mathbf{N}[[N]]))$$

$$E[[\text{true}]] = \lambda s. \text{inStorable\_value}(\text{inTr}(\text{true}))$$

$$\mathbf{N} : \text{Numeral} \rightarrow \text{Nat}(\text{omitted})$$

**Recall:**

$$\text{check\_expr} : (\text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Expressible\_value}) \times$$

$$(\text{Storable\_value} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Expressible\_value}) \rightarrow (\text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Expressible\_value})$$

$$f_1 \text{ check\_expr } f_2 = \lambda s. \text{let } z = (f_1 \ s) \text{ in cases } z \text{ of}$$

$$\quad \text{isStorable\_value}(v) \rightarrow (f_2 \ v \ s)$$

$$\quad [] \text{isErrvalue}() \rightarrow \text{inErrvalue}()$$

$$\text{end}$$



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Compute the semantics (post-state) for the following:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mathbf{P}[[\text{read } X; X := X + 1; \text{write } X.]](\lambda i. \text{zero}, (3), ()) \\
 &= \mathbf{C}[[\text{read } X; X := X + 1; \text{write } X]](\lambda i. \text{zero}, (3), ()) \\
 &= (\mathbf{C}[[\text{read } X]] \text{ check\_cmd } \mathbf{C}[[X := X + 1; \text{write } X]])(\lambda i. \text{zero}, (3), ()) \\
 &= (\lambda a. \text{let } z = (\mathbf{C}[[\text{read } X;]] a) \text{ in cases } z \text{ of} \\
 &\quad \text{isOK}(s, i, o) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}[[X := X + 1; \text{write } X]](s, i, o) \\
 &\quad [] \text{isErr}(s, i, o) \rightarrow z \text{ end})(\lambda i. \text{zero}, (3), ()) \\
 &= \mathbf{C}[[X := X + 1; \text{write } X]] \text{ inOK}((\lambda i. i \text{ equals } X \rightarrow \text{three } [] \text{zero}, (), ())) \\
 &= (\mathbf{C}[[X := X + 1]] \text{ check\_cmd } \mathbf{C}[[\text{write } X]]) \text{ inOK}((\lambda i. i \text{ equals } X \rightarrow \text{three } [] \text{zero}, (), ())) \\
 &= (\lambda a. \text{let } z = (\mathbf{C}[[X := X + 1]] a) \text{ in cases } z \text{ of} \\
 &\quad \text{isOK}(s, i, o) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}[[\text{write } X]](s, i, o) \\
 &\quad [] \text{isErr}(s, i, o) \rightarrow z \text{ end}) \text{ inOK}((\lambda i. i \text{ equals } X \rightarrow \text{three } [] \text{zero}, (), ())) \\
 &= \mathbf{C}[[\text{write } X]] \text{ inOK}((\lambda i. i \text{ equals } X \rightarrow \text{four } [] \text{zero}, (), ())) \\
 &= \text{inOK}((\lambda i. i \text{ equals } X \rightarrow \text{four } [] \text{zero}, (), (4))) \\
 \\
 & \mathbf{C}[[\text{read } X]](\lambda i. \text{zero}, (3), ()) \\
 &= (\lambda(s, i, o). \text{let } (x, i') = \text{get\_value}(i) \text{ in} \\
 &\quad \text{cases } x \text{ of isStorable\_value}(v) \rightarrow \text{inOK}((\text{update}[[X]] v s), i', o) \\
 &\quad [] \text{isErrvalue}() \rightarrow \text{inErr}(s, i', \text{put\_message}(''bad input'', o)) \text{ end})(\lambda i. \text{zero}, (3), ()) \\
 &= \text{let } (x, i') = \text{get\_value}(3) \text{ in} \\
 &\quad \text{cases } x \text{ of isStorable\_value}(v) \rightarrow \text{inOK}((\text{update}[[X]] v (\lambda i. \text{zero})), i', ()) \\
 &\quad [] \text{isErrvalue}() \rightarrow \text{inErr}(s, i', \text{put\_message}(''bad input'', ())) \text{ end} \\
 &= \text{inOK}((\text{update}[[X]] \text{inStorable\_value}(\text{three}) (\lambda i. \text{zero})), (), ()) \\
 &= \text{inOK}((\lambda i. i \text{ equals } X \rightarrow \text{three } [] \text{zero}, (), ()))
 \end{aligned}$$

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C[[X := X + 1]] inOK((λi.i equals X → three [] zero, (), ()))
= E[[X + 1]] check_result (λv.inOK((update[[X]] v inOK((λi.i equals X → three [] zero)), (), ())))
= let z = (E[[X + 1]] s1) in cases z of isStorable_value(v) → (g v (s1, (), ()))
    [] isErrvalue() → inErr(s1, (), put_message("type error", ())) end
    where s1 = (λi.i equals X → three [] zero), (), ()) and
    g = λv.inOK((update[[X]] v (λi.i equals X → three [] zero)), (), ())
= g inNat(four) (s1, (), ())
= inOK((update[[X]] inNat(four) (λi.i equals X → three [] zero)), (), ())
= inOK(λi.i equals X → four [] zero), (), ())

```

```

E[[X + 1]] s1 = E[[X + 1]] inOK((λi.i equals X → three [] zero, (), ()))
= E[[X]] check_expr
  (λv. cases v of isTr(t) → λs.inErrvalue()
    [] isNat(n) → E[[1]] check_expr
      (λv'. λs. cases v' of isTr(t') → inErrvalue()
        [] isNat(n') → inStorable_value(inNat(n plus n')) end)
      end) inOK((λi.i equals X → three [] zero, (), ()))
= inStorable_value(inNat(three plus one)) = inStorable_value(inNat(four))

```

```

C[[write X]] = E[[X]] check_result (λv. λ(s, i, o).inOK(s, i, put_value(v, o)))
= inOK((λi.i equals X → four [] zero), (), (4))

```



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Compute the semantics (post-state) for the following:

- $P[[\text{read } X; X := X + 1; \text{write } X.]](\lambda i. \text{zero}, (3), ())$
- $P[[\text{read } X; X := X + 1; \text{write } X.]](\lambda i. \text{zero}, (), ())$
- $P[[\text{read } X; \text{read } Y;$   
if  $(X = Y)$  then  $M := \text{true}$  else  $M := \neg \text{true}; \text{write } M.]](\lambda i. \text{zero}, (3\ 3), ())$
- $P[[\text{read } X; \text{read } Y;$   
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- $P[[\text{read } X; \text{read } Y;$   
if  $(X = Y)$  then  $M := X = Y$  else  $M := \neg(X = Y); \text{write } M.]](\lambda i. \text{zero}, (3\ 4), ())$
- $P[[\text{if } (X = Y) \text{ then } M := \text{true} \text{ else } M := \neg \text{true}; \text{write } M.]](\lambda i. \text{two}, (), ())$
- $P[[\text{read } X; \text{read } Y; X := X + Y; \text{write } X.]](\lambda i. \text{zero}, (3\ \text{false}), ())$



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## Denotations (post-state) for the programs:

- $\mathbf{P}[[\text{read } X; X := X + 1; \text{write } X.]](\lambda i. \text{zero}, (3), ()) =$   
 $\text{inOK}((\lambda i. i \text{ equals } X \rightarrow \text{four } [] \text{ zero}, (), (4)))$
- $\mathbf{P}[[\text{read } X; X := X + 1; \text{write } X.]](\lambda i. \text{zero}, (), ()) =$   
 $\text{inErr}((\lambda i. \text{zero}, (), ("bad input")))$
- $\mathbf{P}[[\text{read } X; \text{read } Y;$   
 $\text{if } (X = Y) \text{ then } M := \text{true} \text{ else } M := \neg \text{true}; \text{write } M.]](\lambda i. \text{zero}, (3\ 3), ()) =$   
 $\text{inOK}((\lambda i. i \text{ equals } X \rightarrow \text{three } [] i \text{ equals } Y \rightarrow \text{three } [] i \text{ equals } M \rightarrow \text{true } [] \text{zero}, (), (\text{true})))$
- $\mathbf{P}[[\text{read } X; \text{read } Y;$   
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 $\text{inOK}((\lambda i. i \text{ equals } X \rightarrow \text{three } [] i \text{ equals } Y \rightarrow \text{four } [] i \text{ equals } M \rightarrow \text{false } [] \text{zero}, (), (\text{false})))$
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 $\text{inErr}((\lambda i. i \text{ equals } X \rightarrow \text{three } [] \text{zero}, (), ("bad input")))$
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 $\text{if } (X = Y) \text{ then } M := X = Y \text{ else } M := \neg(X = Y); \text{write } M.]](\lambda i. \text{zero}, (3\ 4), ()) =$   
 $\text{inOK}((\lambda i. i \text{ equals } X \rightarrow \text{three } [] i \text{ equals } Y \rightarrow \text{four } [] i \text{ equals } M \rightarrow \text{true } [] \text{zero}, (), (\text{true})))$
- $\mathbf{P}[[\text{if } (X = Y) \text{ then } M := \text{true} \text{ else } M := \neg \text{true}; \text{write } M.]](\lambda i. \text{two}, (), ()) =$   
 $\text{inOK}((\lambda i. i \text{ equals } M \rightarrow \text{false } [] \text{two}, (), ()))$
- $\mathbf{P}[[\text{read } X; \text{read } Y; X := X + Y; \text{write } X.]](\lambda i. \text{zero}, (3\ \text{false}), ()) =$   
 $\text{inErr}((\lambda i. i \text{ equals } X \rightarrow \text{three } [] i \text{ equals } Y \rightarrow \text{false } [] \text{zero}, (), ("type error")))$



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- The *copyout* function of File Editor, which concatenates two lists, could not be given. We can specify *copyout* using an iterative or recursive specification, but at this point neither is allowed in the function notation.

*copyout* : *Openfile*  $\rightarrow$  *File*

*copyout* =  $\lambda p$ . “appends *fst*(*p*) to *snd*(*p*)” // Recursive

*copyout* =  $\lambda(\text{front}, \text{back}). \text{null front} \rightarrow \text{back}$   
     $[] \text{ copyout}((\text{tl front}), ((\text{hd front}) \text{ cons back}))$





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- A similar situation arises with the semantics of a Pascal-like while-loop:

$B : \textit{Boolean\_expression}$

$C : \textit{Command}$

$C ::= \dots \mid \mathbf{while\ } B \mathbf{\ do\ } C \mid \dots$

- Here is a recursive definition of its semantics: for

$\mathbf{B} : \textit{Boolean\_expression} \rightarrow \textit{Store} \rightarrow \textit{Tr}$ , and

$\mathbf{C} : \textit{Command} \rightarrow \textit{Store}_\perp \rightarrow \textit{Store}_\perp :$

$$\mathbf{C}[\mathbf{while\ } B \mathbf{\ do\ } C] = \lambda s. \mathbf{B}[[B]]s \rightarrow \mathbf{C}[\mathbf{while\ } B \mathbf{\ do\ } C](\mathbf{C}[[C]]s) [] s$$



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- Unfortunately, the clause violates the rule that the meaning of a syntax phrase may be defined only in terms of the meanings of its proper sub-parts
- We avoid this problem by stating:

$$\mathbf{C}[[\mathbf{while} \ B \ \mathbf{do} \ C]] = w$$

where  $w : Store_{\perp} \rightarrow Store_{\perp}$  is

$$w = \underline{\lambda}s. \mathbf{B}[[B]]s \rightarrow w(\mathbf{C}[[C]]s) \ [] \ s$$

- But the recursion remains, for the new version exchanges the recursion in the syntax for recursion in the function notation.



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A recursive definition may not uniquely define a function

$$q(x) = x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \sqcap q(x \text{ plus one})$$

which apparently is  $q : \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}_\perp$ .

The following functions all satisfy  $q$ 's definition in the sense that they have exactly the behavior required by the equation:

- $f_1(x) = \text{one}$ , if  $x = \text{zero}$   
 $= \perp$ , otherwise. OR  
 $f_1(x) = \lambda x. (x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \sqcap \perp)$   
 $= \{(\text{zero}, \text{one})\} \ \& \ \text{Ghosts: } \{(one, \perp), (two, \perp), \dots\}$
- $f_2(x) = \text{one}$ , if  $x = \text{zero}$   
 $= \text{two}$ , otherwise. OR  
 $f_2(x) = \lambda x. (x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \sqcap \text{two})$   
 $= \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (one, \text{two}), (two, \text{two}), \dots\}$
- $f_3(x) = \lambda x. (\text{one})$   
 $= \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (one, \text{one}), (two, \text{one}), \dots\}$
- $g_k(x) = \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (one, k), (two, k), \dots\}$ ,  $k \in \text{Nat}$
- and there are infinitely many others.



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Given

$$q(x) = x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \quad \square \quad q(x \text{ plus one})$$

Prove that  $\forall n \in \text{Nat}$

- ①  $n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \quad \square \quad f_1(n \text{ plus one}) = f_1(n) = q(n)$   
where  $f_1(x) = \lambda x. (x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \quad \square \quad \perp)$
- ②  $n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \quad \square \quad f_2(n \text{ plus one}) = f_2(n) = q(n)$   
where  $f_2(x) = \lambda x. (x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \quad \square \quad \text{two})$
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where  $f_3(x) = \lambda x. (\text{one})$
- ④  $n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \quad \square \quad g_k(n \text{ plus one}) = g_k(n) = q(n)$   
where  $g_k(x) = \lambda x. (x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \quad \square \quad k),$   
 $k \in \text{Nat}$



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- ①  $n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \quad \square \quad f_1(n \text{ plus one})$ 

$$= n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \quad \square$$

$$(\lambda x. (x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \quad \square \quad \perp))(n \text{ plus one})$$

$$= n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \quad \square$$

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$$= \text{one}$$

$$= f_3(n) = \lambda x. (\text{one})$$



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- A large number of functions satisfy the recursive definition of  $q$ :  
 $q(x) = x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \quad \square \quad q(x \text{ plus one})$



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Summary

- A large number of functions satisfy the recursive definition of  $q$ :  
 $q(x) = x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} [] q(x \text{ plus one})$
- One choice is the function that maps *zero* to *one* and all other arguments to  $\perp$ . We write this function's graph as  $\{(zero, one)\}$  (rather than  $\{(zero, one), (one, \perp), (two, \perp), \dots\}$ , treating the  $(n, \perp)$  pairs as *ghost members*). This choice is a natural one for programming, for it corresponds to what happens when the definition is run as a routine on a machine.

```
// Natural Operational Semantics in C
// q(n) = n equals zero -> one [] q(n plus one)

unsigned int q(unsigned int n) {
    if (n == 0) return 1;
    else return q(n + 1); // Never terminates -- bottom
}
```



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- But the graph  $\{(zero, one), (one, four), (two, four), (three, four), \dots\}$  also denotes a function that also has the behavior specified by  $q$ :  $zero$  maps to  $one$  and all other arguments map to the same answer as their successors.

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// Unnatural Operational Semantics in C
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```
unsigned int q(unsigned int x) {
    if (x == 0) return 1;
    else return 4;
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So we have multiple choices. Not all of them may be operationally acceptable.





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- In general, any graph  $\{(zero, one), (one, k), (two, k), \dots\}$ , for some  $k \in \mathbf{Nat}_\perp$ , represents a function that satisfies the specification.



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- In general, any graph  $\{(zero, one), (one, k), (two, k), \dots\}$ , for some  $k \in Nat_{\perp}$ , represents a function that satisfies the specification.
- For a programmer, the last graph is an unnatural choice for the meaning of  $q$ , but a mathematician might like a function with the largest possible graph instead, the claim being that a *fuller* function gives more insight.



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- A recursive specification may not define a unique function, so which one should be selected as the meaning of the specification?
- Choose the one that suits operational intuitions
- Theory of *least fixed point semantics* establishes the meaning of recursive specifications. The theory:
  - ① Guarantees that the specification has at least one function satisfying it.
  - ② Provides a means for choosing a *best* function out of the set of all functions satisfying the specification.
  - ③ Ensures that the function selected has a graph that corresponds to the operational treatment of recursion:

The function maps an argument  $a$  to a defined answer  $b$  *iff* the operational evaluation of the specification with the representation of argument  $a$  produces the representation of  $b$  in a finite number of recursive invocations



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Consider:  $fac : Nat \rightarrow Nat_{\perp}$

$fac(n) = n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow one \ [] \ n \text{ times } (fac(n \text{ minus one}))$   
 $= \{(zero, one), (one, one), (two, two), (three, six), \dots, (i, i!), \dots\}$



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## Finite Unfolding:

- ① *Zero unfolding* ( $fac_0$ ): no argument  $n \in Nat$  can produce an answer, for no form  $fac(n)$  can simplify to an answer without the initial unfolding. Hence  $graph(fac_0) = \{ \}$
- ② *One unfolding* ( $fac_1$ ): This allows  $fac$  to be replaced by its body only once. Thus,  $fac(zero) \Rightarrow zero \text{ equals } zero \rightarrow one \square \dots = one$ , but all other nonzero arguments require further unfoldings to simplify to answers. Hence  $graph(fac_1) = \{(zero, one)\}$
- ③ *Two unfolding's* ( $fac_2$ ): Since only one unfolding is needed for mapping argument  $zero$  to  $one$ ,  $(zero, one)$  appears in the graph. The extra unfolding allows argument  $one$  to evaluate to  $one$ , for  $fac(one) \Rightarrow one \text{ equals } zero \rightarrow one \square one \text{ times } (fac(one \text{ minus } one)) = one \text{ times } fac(zero) \Rightarrow one \text{ times } (zero \text{ equals } zero \rightarrow one \square \dots) = one \text{ times } one = one$ . All other arguments require further unfoldings and do not produce answers at this stage. Hence  $graph(fac_2) = \{(zero, one), (one, one)\}$
- ④  $(i + 1)$  *unfolding's* ( $fac_{i+1}$ ), for  $i \geq 0$ : All arguments with values of  $i$  or less will simplify to answers  $i!$ , giving  $graph(fac_{i+1}) = \{(zero, one), (one, one), (two, two), (three, six), \dots, (i, i!)\}$ .



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```
// Project: PoPL 2019. fac_unfold.cpp, ⊥ shown as -1
```

```
fac =  $\lambda n. n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} [] \text{ } n \text{ times } (i\text{fac}(n \text{ minus one}))$ 
```

```
COMPUTING LFP of fac(n) =
```

```
n equals zero -> one [] n times (fac(n minus one))
```

```
fac(0) = 1 in 1 unfolds
```

```
fac(1) = 1 in 2 unfolds
```

```
fac(2) = 2 in 3 unfolds
```

```
fac(3) = 6 in 4 unfolds
```

```
fac(4) = 24 in 5 unfolds
```

```
fac(5) = 120 in 6 unfolds
```

```
fac(6) = 720 in 7 unfolds
```

```
fac(7) = 5040 in 8 unfolds
```

```
fac(8) = 40320 in 9 unfolds
```

```
fac(9) = 362880 in 10 unfolds
```



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```
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```

```
// fac(n) = n equals zero -> one [] n times (fac(n minus one))
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
static unsigned int facCount = 0, maxUnfoldingLevel;

unsigned int fac(unsigned int x) {
    ++facCount;
    if (x == 0) return 1;
    else
        if (facCount == maxUnfoldingLevel) throw 1;
        else return x * fac(x - 1);
}

int fac_unfold(unsigned int maxUnfoldingLevel = 100, unsigned int maxParam = 10) {
    bool bottom = false; unsigned int result; ::maxUnfoldingLevel = maxUnfoldingLevel;

    cout << "COMPUTING LFP of fac(n) = n equals zero -> one [] n times (fac(n minus one))\n";
    for (unsigned int n = 0; n < maxParam; ++n) {
        try {
            bottom = false; facCount = 0; result = fac(n);
        }
        catch (int) { bottom = true; }
        cout << "fac(" << n << ") = "
             << (int)((bottom) ? -1 : result) << " in " << facCount << " unfolds" << endl;
    }
    cout << endl << endl;

    return 0;
}
```

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Forward direction:

- We get:  $\forall i \geq 0, \text{graph}(\text{fac}_i) \subseteq \text{graph}(\text{fac}_{i+1})$
- Clearly,  $\forall i \geq 0, \text{graph}(\text{fac}_i) \subseteq \text{graph}(\text{factorial})$
- Hence,

$$\bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} \text{graph}(\text{fac}_i) \subseteq \text{graph}(\text{factorial})$$

Backward direction:

- If some pair  $(a, b)$  is in  $\text{graph}(\text{factorial})$ , then there must be some finite  $i > 0$  such that  $(a, b)$  is in  $\text{graph}(\text{fac}_i)$  also.

Thus:

$$\text{graph}(\text{factorial}) \subseteq \bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} \text{graph}(\text{fac}_i)$$

- Hence,

$$\bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} \text{graph}(\text{fac}_i) = \text{graph}(\text{factorial})$$



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The fundamental principle of least fixed point semantics:

- The meaning of any recursively defined function is exactly the union of the meanings of its finite sub-functions
- It is easy to produce a non-recursive representation of each sub-function

For example: Define each  $fac_i : Nat \rightarrow Nat_{\perp}$ , for  $i \geq 0$ , as:

- $fac_0 = \lambda n. \perp$
- $fac_{i+1} = \lambda n. n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow one []$   
 $n \text{ times } fac_i(n \text{ minus one}), \text{ for all } i \geq 0$

The graph of each  $fac_i$  is the one produced at stage  $i$  of the  $fac$  unfolding



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This has two advantages:

- 1 Each  $fac_i$  is a non-recursive definition, which suggests that a recursive specification can be understood in terms of a family of non-recursive ones; and
- 2 A format common to all the  $fac_i$ 's can be extracted. Let:

$$\begin{aligned} F &= \lambda f. \lambda n. n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow one [] \\ &\quad n \text{ times } f(n \text{ minus one}) \\ &= \lambda f. \lambda n. n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow one [] \\ &\quad \text{let } n' = f(n \text{ minus one}) \text{ in } n \text{ times } n' \end{aligned}$$

Each  $fac_{i+1} = F(fac_i), \forall i \geq 0$ .



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- The non-recursive  $F : (Nat \rightarrow Nat_{\perp}) \rightarrow (Nat \rightarrow Nat_{\perp})$  is called a *functional*, because it takes a function as an argument and produces one as a result. Thus:

$$graph(factorial) = \bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} graph(F^i(\Phi))$$

where  $F^i = F \circ F \circ \dots \circ F$ ,  $i$  times, and  $\Phi = (\lambda n. \perp)$

- Also,  $graph(F(factorial)) = graph(factorial)$ , which implies  $F(factorial) = factorial$ , by the extensionality principle.
- The *factorial* function is a fixed point of  $F$ , as the answer  $F$  produces from argument *factorial* is exactly *factorial* again

$$factorial = fix F$$



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Summary

Consider:

$q : \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}_{\perp}$ ,  $q(x) = x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \ [] \ q(x \text{ plus one})$

Then,  $Q : (\text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}_{\perp}) \rightarrow (\text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}_{\perp})$

$Q = \lambda g. \lambda n. n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \ [] \ g(n \text{ plus one})$

Compute the fixed point of  $Q$



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Summary

Consider:

$q : \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}_{\perp}$ ,  $q(x) = x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \sqcup q(x \text{ plus one})$

Then,  $Q : (\text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}_{\perp}) \rightarrow (\text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}_{\perp})$

$Q = \lambda g. \lambda n. n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \sqcup g(n \text{ plus one})$

We get:

$Q^0(\Phi) = (\lambda n. \perp)$ , where  $\Phi = (\lambda n. \perp)$

$\text{graph}(Q^0(\Phi)) = \{ \}$

$Q^1(\Phi) = Q(Q^0(\Phi)) = \lambda n. n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \sqcup (\lambda n. \perp)(n \text{ plus one})$

$= \lambda n. n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \sqcup \perp$

$\text{graph}(Q^1(\Phi)) = \{(zero, one)\}$

$Q^2(\Phi) = Q(Q^1(\Phi)) = \lambda n. n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \sqcup$

$((n \text{ plus one}) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \sqcup \perp)$

$= \lambda n. n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \sqcup \perp = Q^1(\Phi)$

$\text{graph}(Q^2(\Phi)) = \{(zero, one)\}$

Hence,  $\forall i \geq 1, \text{graph}(Q^i(\Phi)) = \{(zero, one)\}$ . It follows that:

$$\bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} \text{graph}(Q^i(\Phi)) = \{(zero, one)\}$$



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Let  $qlimit$  denote the function that has this graph. It is easy to show that  $Q(qlimit) = qlimit$ , that is,  $qlimit$  is a fixed point of  $Q$ . Or,  $qlimit = fix\ Q$ .

Unlike the specification  $fac$ ,  $q$  has many possible solutions. Recall that each one must have a graph of the form  $\{(zero, one), (one, k), \dots, (i, k), \dots\}$  for some  $k \in Nat_{\perp}$ .

Let  $qk$  be one of these solutions. We can show that:

- ①  $qk$  is a fixed point of  $Q$ , that is,  $Q(qk) = qk$
- ②  $graph(qlimit) \subseteq graph(qk)$ 
  - Fact 1 says that the act of satisfying a specification is formalized by the fixed point property – only fixed points of the associated functional are possible meanings of the specification
  - Fact 2 states that the solution obtained using the stages of unfolding method is the smallest of all the possible solutions

So, we call it the *least fixed point* of the functional.

**Try to prove Fact 1 and Fact 2 above.**



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$q = \lambda x. x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow one [] q(x \text{ plus one})$

COMPUTING LFP of  $q(n) =$   
 $n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow one [] q(n \text{ plus one})$

$q(0) = 1$  in 1 unfolds  
 $q(1) = -1$  in 100 unfolds  
 $q(2) = -1$  in 100 unfolds  
 $q(3) = -1$  in 100 unfolds  
 $q(4) = -1$  in 100 unfolds  
 $q(5) = -1$  in 100 unfolds  
 $q(6) = -1$  in 100 unfolds  
 $q(7) = -1$  in 100 unfolds  
 $q(8) = -1$  in 100 unfolds  
 $q(9) = -1$  in 100 unfolds





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Summary

```
// Project: PoPL 2019. q_unfold.cpp, ⊥ shown as -1
```

```
// q(n) = n equals zero -> one [] q(n plus one)
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
static unsigned int qCount = 0, maxUnfoldingLevel;

unsigned int q(unsigned int x) {
    ++qCount;
    if (x == 0) return 1;
    else
        if (qCount == maxUnfoldingLevel) throw 1;
        else return q(x + 1);
}

int q_unfold(unsigned int maxUnfoldingLevel = 100, unsigned int maxParam = 10) {
    bool bottom = false; unsigned int result; ::maxUnfoldingLevel = maxUnfoldingLevel;
    cout << "COMPUTING LFP of q(n) = n equals zero -> one [] q(n plus one)" << endl;
    for (unsigned int n = 0; n < maxParam; ++n) {
        try {
            bottom = false; qCount = 0; result = q(n);
        }
        catch (int) { bottom = true; }
        cout << "q(" << n << ") = " << (int)((bottom) ? -1 : result)
            << " in " << qCount << " unfolds" << endl;
    }
    cout << endl << endl;

    return 0;
}
```



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Let a recursive specification  $f = F(f)$  denote the least fixed point of functional  $F$ , that is, the function associated with  $\bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} \text{graph}(F^i(\Phi))$ , as obtained by the stages of unfolding.

The three desired properties follow:

- A solution to the specification exists;
- The criterion of least-ness is used to select from the possible solutions; and,
- Since the method for constructing the function exactly follows the usual operational treatment of recursive definitions, the solution corresponds to the one determined computationally.



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*copyout* function:

- The domains:  
 $File = Record^*$  and  $Openfile = Record^* \times Record^*$
- Function *copyout* converts an open file into a file by appending the two record lists
- A specification of *copyout*:  $Openfile \rightarrow File_{\perp}$  is:  
 $copyout = \lambda(front, back). null\ front \rightarrow back \ []$   
 $copyout((tl\ front), ((hd\ front)\ cons\ back))$
- Construct functional  $F$  such that  $copyout = (fix\ F)$ .
- Prove that the function  $F^i(\perp)$  is capable of appending list pairs whose first component has length  $i - 1$  or less.
- This implies that the *lub* of the  $F^i(\perp)$  functions,  $(fix\ F)$ , is capable of concatenating all pairs of lists whose first component has finite length.



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*copyout* function:

- $copyout^0 = \lambda(front, back). \perp$
- $copyout^1 = \lambda(front, back). null\ front \rightarrow back \ []$   
 $copyout^0((tl\ front), ((hd\ front)\ cons\ back))$   
 $= \lambda(front, back). null\ front \rightarrow back \ [] \ \perp$
- $copyout^2 = \lambda(front, back). null\ front \rightarrow back \ []$   
 $copyout^1((tl\ front), ((hd\ front)\ cons\ back))$   
 $= \lambda(front, back). null\ front \rightarrow back \ []$   
 $(\lambda(front, back). null\ front \rightarrow back \ [] \ \perp)$   
 $((tl\ front), ((hd\ front)\ cons\ back))$   
 $= \lambda(front, back). null\ front \rightarrow back \ []$   
 $(null\ (tl\ front) \rightarrow ((hd\ front)\ cons\ back)) \ [] \ \perp$
- $copyout^{i+1} = \lambda(front, back). null\ front \rightarrow back \ []$   
 $copyout^i((tl\ front), ((hd\ front)\ cons\ back))$
- Functional  $F : (Openfile \rightarrow File_{\perp}) \rightarrow (Openfile \rightarrow File_{\perp})$ :  
 $F = \lambda f. \lambda(front, back). null\ front \rightarrow back \ []$   
 $f((tl\ front), ((hd\ front)\ cons\ back))$
- $copyout = fix\ F = F(copyout)$



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Summary

Consider the specification for  $g : \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}_\perp$  :

$g = \lambda n. n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} []$   
 $(g(n \text{ minus one}) \text{ plus } g(n \text{ minus one})) \text{ minus one}$

What is  $g$ ?

Hint: Construct  $F$  and compute the graphs of  $F^i(\perp)$



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$g = \lambda n. n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} []$   
 $(g(n \text{ minus one}) \text{ plus } g(n \text{ minus one})) \text{ minus one}$

$F = \lambda f. \lambda n. n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} []$   
 $(f(n \text{ minus one}) \text{ plus } f(n \text{ minus one})) \text{ minus one}$

Using  $\perp$  for  $(\lambda n. \perp)$

$\text{graph}(F^0(\perp)) = \{\}$   
 $\text{graph}(F^1(\perp)) = \{(\text{zero}, \text{one})\}$   
 $\text{graph}(F^2(\perp)) = \{(\text{zero}, \text{one})\}$   
 $\text{graph}(F^3(\perp)) = \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (\text{one}, \text{one})\}$   
 $\text{graph}(F^4(\perp)) = \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (\text{one}, \text{one})\}$   
 $\text{graph}(F^5(\perp)) = \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (\text{one}, \text{one})\}$   
 $\text{graph}(F^6(\perp)) = \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (\text{one}, \text{one})\}$   
 $\text{graph}(F^7(\perp)) = \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (\text{one}, \text{one}), (\text{two}, \text{one})\}$



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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{graph}(F^0(\perp)) &= \{\} \\
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 \text{graph}(F^4(\perp)) &= \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (\text{one}, \text{one})\} \\
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 \text{graph}(F^8(\perp)) &= \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (\text{one}, \text{one}), (\text{two}, \text{one})\} \\
 \text{graph}(F^9(\perp)) &= \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (\text{one}, \text{one}), (\text{two}, \text{one})\} \\
 \text{graph}(F^{10}(\perp)) &= \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (\text{one}, \text{one}), (\text{two}, \text{one})\} \\
 \text{graph}(F^{11}(\perp)) &= \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (\text{one}, \text{one}), (\text{two}, \text{one})\} \\
 \text{graph}(F^{12}(\perp)) &= \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (\text{one}, \text{one}), (\text{two}, \text{one})\} \\
 \text{graph}(F^{13}(\perp)) &= \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (\text{one}, \text{one}), (\text{two}, \text{one})\} \\
 \text{graph}(F^{14}(\perp)) &= \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (\text{one}, \text{one}), (\text{two}, \text{one})\} \\
 \text{graph}(F^{15}(\perp)) &= \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (\text{one}, \text{one}), (\text{two}, \text{one}), (\text{three}, \text{one})\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\forall i, i \geq 0, \text{graph}(F^i(\perp)) = \{(\text{zero}, \text{one}), (\text{one}, \text{one}), (\text{two}, \text{one}), \dots, (i, \text{one})\}$$

Hence:  $(\text{fix } F) = \lambda n. \text{one}$

**Prove:**

•  $\text{graph}(F^i(\perp)) = \cup_{k=0}^j \{(k, \text{one})\}, 2^{j+1} - 1 \leq i \leq 2^{j+2} - 2, j \geq 0$



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$F = \lambda f. \lambda n. n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one } []$   
 $(f(n \text{ minus one}) \text{ plus } f(n \text{ minus one})) \text{ minus one}$

**Prove:**

- Exponential number of unfoldings are required for this graph:

$$\text{graph}(F^0(\perp)) = \{ \}$$

$$\text{graph}(F^i(\perp)) = \bigcup_{k=0}^j \{(k, \text{one})\}, \quad 2^{j+1} - 1 \leq i \leq 2^{j+2} - 2, \quad j \geq 0$$

- $(\text{fix } F) = \lambda n. \text{one}$





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$g = \lambda n.n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow one [] (g(n \text{ minus one}) \text{ plus } g(n \text{ minus one})) \text{ minus one}$

COMPUTING LFP of  $g(n) = n \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow one []$   
 $(g(n \text{ minus one}) \text{ plus } g(n \text{ minus one})) \text{ minus one}$

```
g_double(0) = 1 in 1 unfolds
g_double(1) = 1 in 3 unfolds
g_double(2) = 1 in 7 unfolds
g_double(3) = 1 in 15 unfolds
g_double(4) = 1 in 31 unfolds
g_double(5) = 1 in 63 unfolds
g_double(6) = 1 in 127 unfolds
g_double(7) = 1 in 255 unfolds
g_double(8) = 1 in 511 unfolds
g_double(9) = -1 in 1000 unfolds
```

This is till 1000 unfolds.  $g\_double(9)$  gets 1 in 1023 unfolds



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```
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```

```
//  $g(n) = n$  equals zero  $\rightarrow$  one [] ( $g(n \text{ minus one})$  plus  $g(n \text{ minus one})$ ) minus one  
#include <iostream>  
using namespace std;  
static unsigned int g_doubleCount = 0, maxUnfoldingLevel;
```

```
unsigned int g_double(unsigned int x) {  
    ++g_doubleCount;  
    if (g_doubleCount == maxUnfoldingLevel) throw 1;  
    if (x == 0) return 1;  
    else try {  
        return g_double(x - 1) + g_double(x - 1) - 1;  
    } catch (int) { throw; }  
}  
  
int g_double_unfold(unsigned int maxUnfoldingLevel = 100, unsigned int maxParam = 10) {  
    bool bottom = false; unsigned int result; ::maxUnfoldingLevel = maxUnfoldingLevel;  
    cout << "COMPUTING LFP of  $g(n)$ ";  
    cout << " =  $n$  equals zero  $\rightarrow$  one [] ( $g(n \text{ minus one})$  plus  $g(n \text{ minus one})$ ) minus one\n";  
    for (unsigned int n = 0; n < maxParam; ++n) {  
        try {  
            bottom = false; g_doubleCount = 0; result = g_double(n);  
        }  
        catch (int) { bottom = true; }  
        cout << "g_double(" << n << ") = " << (int)((bottom) ? -1 : result)  
            << " in " << g_doubleCount << " unfolds" << endl;  
    }  
    cout << endl << endl;  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

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Summary

Consider the specifications  $f : \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}_\perp$  and  $g : \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}_\perp$ :

$f = \lambda x. x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow g(\text{zero}) \sqcup f(g(x \text{ minus one})) \text{ plus two}$

$g = \lambda y. y \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{zero} \sqcup y \text{ times } f(y \text{ minus one})$

Build a functional for function pairs as:

$F : ((\text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}_\perp) \times (\text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}_\perp)) \rightarrow ((\text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}_\perp) \times (\text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}_\perp))$

$F = \lambda(f, g). (\lambda x. x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow g(\text{zero}) \sqcup f(g(x \text{ minus one})) \text{ plus two},$   
 $\lambda y. y \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{zero} \sqcup y \text{ times } f(y \text{ minus one}))$

Find a pair of functions  $(\alpha, \beta)$  such that  $F(\alpha, \beta) = (\alpha, \beta)$



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Summary

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$f = \lambda x.x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow g(\text{zero}) \sqcup f(g(x \text{ minus one})) \text{ plus two}$

$g = \lambda y.y \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{zero} \sqcup y \text{ times } f(y \text{ minus one})$

$F = \lambda(f, g).(\lambda x.x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow g(\text{zero}) \sqcup f(g(x \text{ minus one})) \text{ plus two},$

$\lambda y.y \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{zero} \sqcup y \text{ times } f(y \text{ minus one}))$

Using  $\perp$  for  $((\lambda n.\perp), (\lambda n.\perp))$

$F^0(\perp) = (\{\}, \{\})$

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$F^3(\perp) = (\{(\text{zero}, \text{zero})\}, \{(\text{zero}, \text{zero}), (\text{one}, \text{zero})\})$

$F^4(\perp) = (\{(\text{zero}, \text{zero}), (\text{one}, \text{two})\}, \{(\text{zero}, \text{zero}), (\text{one}, \text{zero})\})$

$F^5(\perp) = (\{(\text{zero}, \text{zero}), (\text{one}, \text{two})\}, \{(\text{zero}, \text{zero}), (\text{one}, \text{zero}), (\text{two}, \text{four})\})$

$F^6(\perp) = (\{(\text{zero}, \text{zero}), (\text{one}, \text{two}), (\text{two}, \text{two})\}, \{(\text{zero}, \text{zero}), (\text{one}, \text{zero}), (\text{two}, \text{four})\})$

$F^7(\perp) = (\{(\text{zero}, \text{zero}), (\text{one}, \text{two}), (\text{two}, \text{two})\}, \{(\text{zero}, \text{zero}), (\text{one}, \text{zero}), (\text{two}, \text{four}), (\text{three}, \text{six})\})$

$\forall i, i > 7, F^i(\perp) = F^7(\perp)$

$f = \text{fst}(\text{fix } F), g = \text{snd}(\text{fix } F)$



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Summary

```
// Project: PoPL 2019. f_g_unfold.cpp, ⊥ shown as -1
```

```
f =  $\lambda x.x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow g(\text{zero}) \ [] \ f(g(x \text{ minus one})) \text{ plus two}$   
g =  $\lambda y.y \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{zero} \ [] \ y \text{ times } f(y \text{ minus one})$ 
```

COMPUTING LFP of `f_g_simul`

```
f(x) = x equals zero  $\rightarrow$  g(zero) [] f(g(x minus one)) plus two  
g(y) = y equals zero  $\rightarrow$  zero[] y times f(y minus one)
```

```
g(0) = 0 in 1 unfolds  
g(1) = 0 in 3 unfolds  
g(2) = 4 in 5 unfolds  
g(3) = 6 in 7 unfolds  
g(4) = -1 in 1001 unfolds  
g(5) = -1 in 1001 unfolds  
g(6) = -1 in 1001 unfolds  
g(7) = -1 in 1001 unfolds  
g(8) = -1 in 1001 unfolds  
g(9) = -1 in 1001 unfolds
```

```
f(0) = 0 in 2 unfolds  
f(1) = 2 in 4 unfolds  
f(2) = 2 in 6 unfolds  
f(3) = -1 in 1001 unfolds  
f(4) = -1 in 1001 unfolds  
f(5) = -1 in 1001 unfolds  
f(6) = -1 in 1001 unfolds  
f(7) = -1 in 1001 unfolds  
f(8) = -1 in 1001 unfolds  
f(9) = -1 in 1001 unfolds
```

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Summary

```
// Project: PoPL 2019. f_g_unfold.cpp, ⊥ shown as -1
```

```
//f(x) = x equals zero -> g(zero)[] f(g(x minus one)) plus two  
//g(y) = y equals zero -> zero[] y times f(y minus one)
```

```
#include <iostream>  
using namespace std;  
static unsigned int fCount = 0, gCount = 0, maxUnfoldingLevel;  
unsigned int g(unsigned int x);  
  
//f(x) = x equals zero -> g(zero)[] f(g(x minus one)) plus two  
unsigned int f(unsigned int x) {  
    ++fCount;  
    if (fCount + gCount > maxUnfoldingLevel) throw 1;  
  
    if (x == 0) { // return g(0);  
        try { int t = g(0); return t; }  
        catch (int) { throw; }  
    }  
    else try { int t = g(x - 1); t = f(t); return t + 2; }  
        catch (int) { throw; }  
}  
  
//g(y) = y equals zero -> zero[] y times f(y minus one)  
unsigned int g(unsigned int x) {  
    ++gCount;  
    if (fCount + gCount > maxUnfoldingLevel) throw 2;  
  
    if (x == 0) return 0;  
    else try { int t = f(x - 1); return x * t; }  
        catch (int) { throw; }  
}  
}
```

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```
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```

```
//f(x) = x equals zero -> g(zero) [] f(g(x minus one)) plus two  
//g(y) = y equals zero -> zero [] y times f(y minus one)
```

```
int f_g_unfold(unsigned int maxUnfoldingLevel = 100, unsigned int maxParam = 10) {  
    bool bottom = false; unsigned int gResult, fResult;  
    ::maxUnfoldingLevel = maxUnfoldingLevel;  
  
    cout << "COMPUTING LFP of f_g_simul" << endl;  
    cout << "f(x) = x equals zero->g(zero) [] f(g(x minus one)) plus two" << endl;  
    cout << "g(y) = y equals zero -> zero [] y times f(y minus one)" << endl;  
    for (unsigned int n = 0; n < maxParam; ++n) {  
        try { bottom = false; fCount = gCount = 0; gResult = g(n); }  
        catch (int) { bottom = true; }  
        cout << "g(" << n << ") = " << (int)((bottom) ? -1 : gResult) << " in "  
            << fCount + gCount << " unfolds" << endl;  
    }  
    cout << endl;  
  
    for (unsigned int n = 0; n < maxParam; ++n) {  
        try { bottom = false; fCount = gCount = 0; fResult = f(n); }  
        catch (int) { bottom = true; }  
        cout << "f(" << n << ") = " << (int)((bottom) ? -1 : fResult) << " in "  
            << fCount + gCount << " unfolds" << endl;  
    }  
    cout << endl << endl;  
  
    return 0;  
}
```



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**This is the solution given in the book. This is wrong.**

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$F^4(\perp) = (\{(\text{zero}, \text{zero}), (\text{one}, \text{two}), (\text{two}, \text{two})\},$   
 $\{(\text{zero}, \text{zero}), (\text{one}, \text{zero}), (\text{two}, \text{four})\})$

$F^5(\perp) = (\{(\text{zero}, \text{zero}), (\text{one}, \text{two}), (\text{two}, \text{two})\},$   
 $\{(\text{zero}, \text{zero}), (\text{one}, \text{zero}), (\text{two}, \text{four}), (\text{three}, \text{six})\})$

$\forall i, i > 5, F^i(\perp) = F^5(\perp)$

$f = \text{fst}(\text{fix } F), g = \text{snd}(\text{fix } F)$

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- Any finite set of mutually recursive function definitions can be handled in this manner.
- Thus, the least fixed point method is powerful enough to model the most general forms of computation, such as general recursive equation sets and flowcharts.



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```

```
oe =  $\lambda x. x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} [] (x \text{ equals one} \rightarrow \text{one} [] (\text{odd } x \rightarrow \text{oe}(x \text{ plus one}) [] \text{oe}(x \text{ div two})))$ 
```

COMPUTING LFP of  $\text{oe}(x)$  =

```
x equals zero -> one [] (x equals one -> one [] (odd x -> oe(x plus one) [] oe(x div two)))
```

odd\_even(0) = 1 in 1 unfolds

odd\_even(1) = 1 in 1 unfolds

odd\_even(2) = 1 in 2 unfolds

odd\_even(3) = 1 in 4 unfolds

odd\_even(4) = 1 in 3 unfolds

odd\_even(5) = 1 in 6 unfolds

odd\_even(6) = 1 in 5 unfolds

odd\_even(7) = 1 in 5 unfolds

odd\_even(8) = 1 in 4 unfolds

odd\_even(9) = 1 in 8 unfolds

Hence,  $\text{oe} = \lambda x. \text{one}$



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```
// Project: PoPL 2019. odd_even_unfold.cpp, ⊥ shown as -1
// oe(x) = x equals zero -> one [] (x equals one -> one
//          [] (odd x -> oe(x plus one) [] oe(x div two)))

#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
static unsigned int odd_evenCount = 0, maxUnfoldingLevel;

unsigned int odd_even(unsigned int x) {
    ++odd_evenCount;
    if (odd_evenCount == maxUnfoldingLevel) throw 1;
    if (x == 0) return 1;
    else if (x == 1) return 1;
    else if (x % 2) return odd_even(x + 1);
    else return odd_even(x / 2);
}

int odd_even_unfold(unsigned int maxUnfoldingLevel = 100, unsigned int maxParam = 10) {
    bool bottom = false; unsigned int result; ::maxUnfoldingLevel = maxUnfoldingLevel;

    cout << "COMPUTING LFP of oe(x) = x equals zero -> one [] (x equals one -> one"
         << "[] (odd x -> oe(x plus one) [] oe(x div two)))" << endl;
    for (unsigned int n = 0; n < maxParam; ++n) {
        try { bottom = false; odd_evenCount = 0; result = odd_even(n); }
        catch (int) { bottom = true; }
        cout << "odd_even(" << n << ") = " << (int)((bottom) ? -1 : result) << " in "
             << odd_evenCount << " unfolds" << endl;
    }
    cout << endl << endl;

    return 0;
}
```

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Summary

```
// Project: PoPL 2019. odd_even_bot_unfold.cpp,  $\perp$  shown as -1
```

```
oe =  $\lambda x.x$  equals zero  $\rightarrow$  one [] (odd x  $\rightarrow$  oe(x plus one) [] oe(x div two))
```

COMPUTING LFP of oe(x) =

```
x equals zero  $\rightarrow$  one [] (odd x  $\rightarrow$  oe(x plus one) [] oe(x div two))
```

```
odd_even_bot(0) = 1 in 1 unfolds
```

```
odd_even_bot(1) = -1 in 1000 unfolds
```

```
odd_even_bot(2) = -1 in 1000 unfolds
```

```
odd_even_bot(3) = -1 in 1000 unfolds
```

```
odd_even_bot(4) = -1 in 1000 unfolds
```

```
odd_even_bot(5) = -1 in 1000 unfolds
```

```
odd_even_bot(6) = -1 in 1000 unfolds
```

```
odd_even_bot(7) = -1 in 1000 unfolds
```

```
odd_even_bot(8) = -1 in 1000 unfolds
```

```
odd_even_bot(9) = -1 in 1000 unfolds
```

Hence,  $oe = \lambda x.x$  equals zero  $\rightarrow$  one []  $\perp$



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Summary

```
// Project: PoPL 2019. odd_even_bot_unfold.cpp, ⊥ shown as -1
// oe(x) = x equals zero -> one [] (odd x -> oe(x plus one) [] oe(x div two))

#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
static unsigned int odd_even_botCount = 0, maxUnfoldingLevel;

unsigned int odd_even_bot(unsigned int x) {
    ++odd_even_botCount;
    if (odd_even_botCount == maxUnfoldingLevel) throw 1;
    if (x == 0) return 1;
    else if (x % 2) return odd_even_bot(x + 1);
    else return odd_even_bot(x / 2);
}

int odd_even_bot_unfold(unsigned int maxUnfoldingLevel = 100, unsigned int maxParam = 10) {
    bool bottom = false; unsigned int result; ::maxUnfoldingLevel = maxUnfoldingLevel;

    cout << "COMPUTING LFP of oe(x) = x equals zero -> one "
         << "[] (odd x -> oe(x plus one) [] oe(x div two))" << endl;
    for (unsigned int n = 0; n < maxParam; ++n) {
        try { bottom = false; odd_even_botCount = 0; result = odd_even_bot(n); }
        catch (int) { bottom = true; }
        cout << "odd_even_bot(" << n << ") = " << (int)((bottom) ? -1 : result) << " in "
             << odd_even_botCount << " unfolds" << endl;
    }
    cout << endl << endl;

    return 0;
}
```



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Summary

```
// Project: PoPL 2019. f_g_simple_unfold.cpp,  $\perp$  shown as  $-1$ 
```

```
 $f = \lambda x.x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow g(\text{zero}) [] f(g(x)) \text{ plus two}$   
 $g = \lambda y.y \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{zero} [] y \text{ times } f(y)$ 
```

```
COMPUTING LFP of f_g_simple  
 $f(x) = x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow g(\text{zero}) [] f(g(x)) \text{ plus two}$   
 $g(y) = y \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{zero} [] y \text{ times } f(y)$   
 $g\_s(0) = 0$  in 1 unfolds  
 $g\_s(1) = -1$  in 1001 unfolds  
 $g\_s(2) = -1$  in 1001 unfolds  
 $g\_s(3) = -1$  in 1001 unfolds  
 $g\_s(4) = -1$  in 1001 unfolds  
 $g\_s(5) = -1$  in 1001 unfolds  
...  
 $g\_s(9) = -1$  in 1001 unfolds  
  
 $f\_s(0) = 0$  in 2 unfolds  
 $f\_s(1) = -1$  in 1001 unfolds  
 $f\_s(2) = -1$  in 1001 unfolds  
 $f\_s(3) = -1$  in 1001 unfolds  
 $f\_s(4) = -1$  in 1001 unfolds  
 $f\_s(5) = -1$  in 1001 unfolds  
...  
 $f\_s(9) = -1$  in 1001 unfolds
```

Hence,  $f = g = \lambda x.x \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{zero} [] \perp$



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Summary

```
// Project: PoPL 2019. f_g_simple_unfold.cpp, ⊥ shown as -1
```

```
//f(x) = x equals zero -> g(zero) [] f(g(x)) plus two  
//g(y) = y equals zero -> zero [] y times f(y)
```

```
#include <iostream>  
using namespace std;  
static unsigned int fCount = 0, gCount = 0, maxUnfoldingLevel;  
unsigned int g_s(unsigned int x);
```

```
//f = x: x equals zero -> g(zero) [] f(g(x)) plus two  
unsigned int f_s(unsigned int x) {  
    ++fCount;  
    if (fCount + gCount > maxUnfoldingLevel) throw 1;  
    if (x == 0) { // return g(0);  
        try { int t = g_s(0); return t; }  
        catch (int) { throw; }  
    }  
    else try { int t = g_s(x); t = f_s(t); return t + 2; }  
        catch (int) { throw; }  
}
```

```
//g = y : y equals zero -> zero [] y times f(y)  
unsigned int g_s(unsigned int x) {  
    ++gCount;  
    if (fCount + gCount > maxUnfoldingLevel) throw 2;  
    if (x == 0) return 0;  
    else try { int t = f_s(x); return x * t; }  
        catch (int) { throw; }  
}
```



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```
// Project: PoPL 2019. f_g_simple_unfold.cpp, ⊥ shown as -1
```

```
//f(x) = x equals zero -> g(zero) [] f(g(x)) plus two  
//g(y) = y equals zero -> zero [] y times f(y)
```

```
int f_g_simple_unfold(unsigned int maxUnfoldingLevel = 100, unsigned int maxParam = 10) {  
    bool bottom = false; unsigned int gResult, fResult;  
    ::maxUnfoldingLevel = maxUnfoldingLevel;  
  
    cout << "COMPUTING LFP of f_g_simple" << endl;  
    cout << "f(x) = x equals zero->g(zero) [] f(g(x)) plus two" << endl;  
    cout << "g(y) = y equals zero -> zero [] y times f(y)" << endl;  
    for (unsigned int n = 0; n < maxParam; ++n) {  
        try { bottom = false; fCount = gCount = 0; gResult = g_s(n); }  
        catch (int) { bottom = true; }  
        cout << "g_s(" << n << ") = " << (int)((bottom) ? -1 : gResult) << " in "  
            << fCount + gCount << " unfolds" << endl;  
    }  
    cout << endl;  
  
    for (unsigned int n = 0; n < maxParam; ++n) {  
        try { bottom = false; fCount = gCount = 0; fResult = f_s(n); }  
        catch (int) { bottom = true; }  
        cout << "f_s(" << n << ") = " << (int)((bottom) ? -1 : fResult) << " in "  
            << fCount + gCount << " unfolds" << endl;  
    }  
    cout << endl << endl;  
  
    return 0;  
}
```





# Recursive Functions Definitions: The While Loop

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Summary

Specification of the semantics of **while** loop:

$$\mathbf{C}[[\mathbf{while} \ B \ \mathbf{do} \ C]] = \underline{\lambda} s. \mathbf{B}[[B]]s \rightarrow \mathbf{C}[[\mathbf{while} \ B \ \mathbf{do} \ C]](\mathbf{C}[[C]]s) \ [] \ s$$

In terms of *fix* operations:

$$\mathbf{C}[[\mathbf{while} \ B \ \mathbf{do} \ C]] = \mathit{fix}(\lambda f. \underline{\lambda} s. \mathbf{B}[[B]]s \rightarrow f(\mathbf{C}[[C]]s) \ [] \ s)$$

The functional is  $\mathit{Store}_{\perp} \rightarrow \mathit{Store}_{\perp}$ , where  $\mathit{Store} = \mathit{Id} \rightarrow \mathit{Nat}$



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Let us unfold the loop  $C[\text{while } A > 0 \text{ do } (A := A - 1; B := B + 1)]$  and capture the transformation to the  $\text{Store}_\perp$  at every stage. The functional is:

$$F = \lambda f. \lambda s. \text{test } s \rightarrow f(\text{adjust } s) [] s$$

where  $\text{test} = B[A > 0]$  and  $\text{adjust} = C[A := A - 1; B := B + 1]$ . To unfold the functional of the while loop, we need to compute on the store  $s$ . Let us assume that initially the store is:  $s_0 = \lambda i. \text{zero}$ . That is, all identifiers are initialized to 0. Additionally, we may assume that before entry to the loop, the store may have been changed (for  $A$ ,  $B$ , as well as other identifiers) to  $s_{\text{loop\_start}}$ , where  $A$  and  $B$  may have any pair of  $\text{Nat}$  values that will impact the computation of  $F^i$ . Now only identifiers  $A$  and  $B$  are involved in the computation of  $F^i$ . Hence, at some stage of the loop if  $A$  has value  $a$  and  $B$  has value  $b$ , the store is:

$$s = \lambda i. i \text{ equals } A \rightarrow a [] i \text{ equals } B \rightarrow b [] s_{\text{loop\_start}}$$

For the purpose of computation of  $F^i$ , we can represent this  $s$  as a pair  $(a, b)$  that actually stands for an infinite class of mappings for  $s$  as given by all possible mappings for  $s_{\text{loop\_start}}$ . We enumerate all such pairs  $(a, b)$  at every loop entry and loop exit during unfolding.



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Let us unfold the loop  $C[\text{while } A > 0 \text{ do } (A := A - 1; B := B + 1)]$  and capture the transformation to the  $\text{Store}_\perp$  at every stage. The functional is:  $F = \lambda f. \lambda s. \text{test } s \rightarrow f(\text{adjust } s) [] s$ , where  $\text{test} = B[A > 0]$  and  $\text{adjust} = C[A := A - 1; B := B + 1]$

On loop Entry  
(A, B)

0,0	0,1	0,2	0,3	0,4
1,0	1,1	1,2	1,3	1,4
2,0	2,1	2,2	2,3	2,4
3,0	3,1	3,2	3,3	3,4
4,0	4,1	4,2	4,3	4,4

On loop Exit  
(A, B)

$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$
$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$
$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$
$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$
$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$

$\rightarrow_0$

0,0	0,1	0,2	0,3	0,4
1,0	1,1	1,2	1,3	1,4
2,0	2,1	2,2	2,3	2,4
3,0	3,1	3,2	3,3	3,4
4,0	4,1	4,2	4,3	4,4

0,0	0,1	0,2	0,3	0,4
$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$
$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$
$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$
$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$

$\rightarrow_1$

0,0	0,1	0,2	0,3	0,4
1,0	1,1	1,2	1,3	1,4
2,0	2,1	2,2	2,3	2,4
3,0	3,1	3,2	3,3	3,4
4,0	4,1	4,2	4,3	4,4

0,0	0,1	0,2	0,3	0,4
0,1	0,2	0,3	0,4	0,5
$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$
$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$
$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$

$\rightarrow_2$

0,0	0,1	0,2	0,3	0,4
1,0	1,1	1,2	1,3	1,4
2,0	2,1	2,2	2,3	2,4
3,0	3,1	3,2	3,3	3,4
4,0	4,1	4,2	4,3	4,4

0,0	0,1	0,2	0,3	0,4
0,1	0,2	0,3	0,4	0,5
0,2	0,3	0,4	0,5	0,6
$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$
$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$

$\rightarrow_3$



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Consider:  $C[[\text{while } A > 0 \text{ do } (A := A - 1; B := B + 1)]]$

Let  $\text{test} = B[[A > 0]]$  and  $\text{adjust} = C[[A := A - 1; B := B + 1]]$

The functional is:  $F = \lambda f. \lambda s. \text{test } s \rightarrow f(\text{adjust } s) [] s$

$$\text{graph}(F^0(\perp)) = \{\}$$

$$\text{graph}(F^1(\perp)) = \{$$

$$(\{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{zero}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{zero}), \dots\}), \dots, \\ (\{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{four}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{four}), \dots\}), \dots\}$$

Since the result is a member of  $\text{Store}_\perp \rightarrow \text{Store}_\perp$ ,  $\text{graph}(F^1(\perp))$  contains pairs of function graphs. Each pair shows a store prior to its *loop entry* and the store after *loop exit*. The members shown in the graph at this step are those stores whose  $[A]$  value equals zero. Thus, those stores that already map  $[A]$  to zero fail the test upon loop entry and exit immediately. The store is left unchanged. Those stores that require loop processing are mapped to  $\perp$ .

$$\text{graph}(F^2(\perp)) = \{$$

$$(\{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{zero}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{zero}), \dots\}), \dots, \\ (\{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{four}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{four}), \dots\}), \dots, \\ (\{([A], \text{one}), ([B], \text{zero}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{one}), \dots\}), \dots, \\ (\{([A], \text{one}), ([B], \text{four}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{five}), \dots\}), \dots\}$$



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$$\text{graph}(F^2(\perp)) = \{$$

$$(\{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{zero}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{zero}), \dots\}), \dots,$$

$$(\{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{four}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{four}), \dots\}), \dots,$$

$$(\{([A], \text{one}), ([B], \text{zero}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{one}), \dots\}), \dots,$$

$$(\{([A], \text{one}), ([B], \text{four}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{five}), \dots\}), \dots\}$$

Those input stores that require one or fewer iterations to process appear in the graph. For example, the fourth illustrated pair denotes a store that has  $[A]$  set to one and  $[B]$  set to *four* upon loop entry. Only one iteration is needed to reduce  $[A]$  down to *zero*, the condition for loop exit. In the process  $[B]$  is incremented to *five*:

$$\text{graph}(F^3(\perp)) = \{$$

$$(\{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{zero}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{zero}), \dots\}), \dots,$$

$$(\{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{four}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{four}), \dots\}), \dots,$$

$$(\{([A], \text{one}), ([B], \text{zero}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{one}), \dots\}), \dots,$$

$$(\{([A], \text{one}), ([B], \text{four}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{five}), \dots\}), \dots,$$

$$(\{([A], \text{two}), ([B], \text{zero}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{two}), \dots\}), \dots,$$

$$(\{([A], \text{two}), ([B], \text{four}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{six}), \dots\}), \dots\}$$



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$$\begin{aligned} \text{graph}(F^3(\perp)) = \{ & \\ & (\{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{zero}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{zero}), \dots\}), \dots, \\ & (\{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{four}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{four}), \dots\}), \dots, \\ & (\{([A], \text{one}), ([B], \text{zero}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{one}), \dots\}), \dots, \\ & (\{([A], \text{one}), ([B], \text{four}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{five}), \dots\}), \dots, \\ & (\{([A], \text{two}), ([B], \text{zero}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{two}), \dots\}), \dots, \\ & (\{([A], \text{two}), ([B], \text{four}), \dots\}, \{([A], \text{zero}), ([B], \text{six}), \dots\}), \dots \} \end{aligned}$$

All stores that require two iterations or less for processing are included in the graph. The  $\text{graph}(F^{i+1}(\perp))$  contains those pairs whose input stores finish processing in  $i$  iterations or less. The least fixed point of the functional contains mappings for those stores that conclude their loop processing in a finite number of iterations.



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The while-loop's semantics makes a good example for restating the important principle of least fixed point semantics:

*The meaning of a recursive specification is totally determined by the meanings of its finite subfunctions. Each subfunction can be represented non-recursively in the function notation.*

In this case:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{C}[[\text{while } B \text{ do } C]] &= \sqcup \{ \lambda s. \perp, \\ &\lambda s. \mathbf{B}[[B]]s \rightarrow \perp \sqcap s, \\ &\lambda s. \mathbf{B}[[B]]s \rightarrow (\mathbf{B}[[B]](\mathbf{C}[[C]]s) \rightarrow \perp \sqcap \mathbf{C}[[C]]s) \sqcap s, \\ &\lambda s. \mathbf{B}[[B]]s \rightarrow (\mathbf{B}[[B]](\mathbf{C}[[C]]s) \rightarrow \\ &\quad (\mathbf{B}[[B]](\mathbf{C}[[C]](\mathbf{C}[[C]]s)) \rightarrow \perp \sqcap \mathbf{C}[[C]](\mathbf{C}[[C]]s)) \sqcap \mathbf{C}[[C]]s), \\ &\dots, \} \end{aligned}$$

The family of expressions makes apparent that iteration is an unwinding of a loop body; this corresponds to the operational view.



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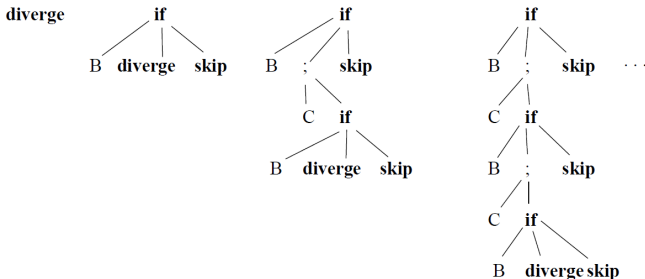
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Can we restate this idea even more directly? Recall that  $C[[\text{diverge}]] = \lambda s. \perp$ . Substituting the commands into the set just constructed gives us:

$$\begin{aligned} C[[\text{while } B \text{ do } C]] = & \sqcup \{ C[[\text{diverge}]], \\ & C[[\text{if } B \text{ then diverge else skip}]], \\ & C[[\text{if } B \text{ then } (C; \text{if } B \text{ then diverge else skip}) \text{ else skip}]], \\ & C[[\text{if } B \text{ then } (C; \text{if } B \text{ then } \\ & \quad (C; \text{if } B \text{ then diverge else skip}) \text{ else skip}) \text{ else skip}]], \dots \} \end{aligned}$$

A family of finite non-iterative programs represents the loop. It is easier to see what is happening by drawing the abstract syntax trees:







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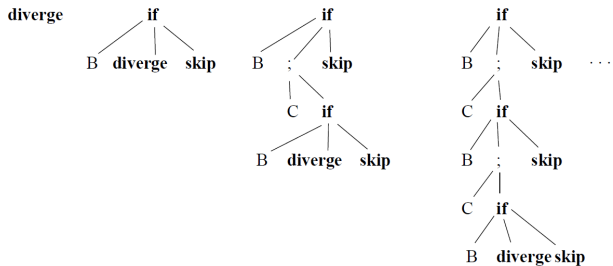
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At each stage, the finite tree becomes larger and better defined. The obvious thing to do is to place a partial ordering upon the trees: for all commands  $C$ , **diverge**  $\sqsubseteq C$ , and for commands  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ ,  $C_1 \sqsubseteq C_2$  iff  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are the same command type (have the same root node) and all subtrees in  $C_1$  are less defined than the corresponding trees in  $C_2$ . This makes families of trees like the one above into chains. What is the lub of such a chain? It is the infinite tree corresponding to:

**if B then (C; if B then (C; if B then (C; ... ) else skip) else skip) else skip**



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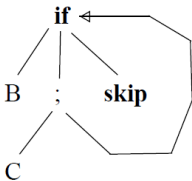
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Draw this tree, and define  $L = \text{if } B \text{ then } (C; L) \text{ else skip}$ .

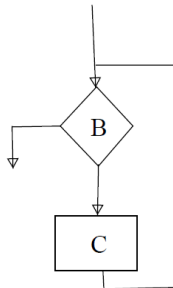
The while-loop example has led researchers to study languages that contain infinite programs that are represented by recursive definitions, such as  $L$ . The goal of such studies is to determine the semantics of recursive and iterative constructs by studying their circularity at the syntax level. The fundamental discovery of this research is that, whether the recursion is handled at the syntax level or at the semantics level, the result is the same:

$$C[[\text{while } B \text{ do } C]] = C[[L]]$$

Finally, the infinite tree  $L$  is abbreviated:



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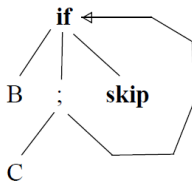
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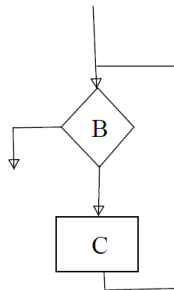
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*or*



Every flowchart loop can be read as an abbreviation for an infinite program. This brings us back to representations of functions again, for the use of finite loops to represent infinite flowcharts parallels the use of finite function expressions to denote infinite objects – functions. The central issue of computability theory might be stated as the search for finite representations of infinite objects.



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Consider a recursive definition  $h : \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}$  as:

```

h = λn. (n mod two) equals zero → zero
      [] (n mod three) equals zero → one
      [] h(h(n minus one) mult h(n plus two))

```

- 1 Compute the first 9 finite unfoldings for  $h$ . [9]
- 2 Formulate the functional  $F$  for  $h$  such that  $F(h) = h$ . [2]
- 3 Resolve  $h$  as  $\text{fix}(F)$ . [1]

④ Using extensionality prove that  $g = h$  where  $g : \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}$  is a non-recursive definition:

$$g = \lambda n. ((n \text{ minus three}) \bmod \text{six}) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \parallel \text{zero} \quad [3]$$

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Consider a recursive definition  $h : \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}$  as:

$$h = \lambda n. (n \bmod \text{two}) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{zero} \\ \quad \quad \quad \square (n \bmod \text{three}) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \\ \quad \quad \quad \square h(h(n \text{ minus one}) \text{ mult } h(n \text{ plus two}))$$

① Compute the first 9 finite unfoldings for  $h$ .

[9]

Let us construct the graphs  $G_1, G_2, G_3$ , and  $G_4$  with partitions of the domain  $\text{Nat}$  as follows:

$G_1$  = Mapping for the set of even numbers

$\{(zero, zero), (two, zero), (four, zero), \dots, (i, zero), \dots\}$ , where  $i \geq 0$  and  $i \bmod 2 = 0$

$G_2$  = Mapping for the set of odd numbers that are divisible by 3

$\{(three, one), (nine, one), (fifteen, one), \dots, (i, one), \dots\}$ , where  $i \geq 3$  and  $(i - 3) \bmod 6 = 0$

$G_3$  = Mapping for the set of odd numbers that have remainder 1 when divided by 3

$\{(one, zero), (seven, zero), (thirteen, zero), \dots, (i, zero), \dots\}$ , where  $i \geq 1$  and  $(i - 1) \bmod 6 = 0$

$G_4$  = Mapping for the set of odd numbers that have remainder 2 when divided by 3

$\{(five, zero), (eleven, zero), (seventeen, zero), \dots, (i, zero), \dots\}$ , where  $i \geq 5$  and

$(i - 5) \bmod 6 = 0$

Clearly,  $\text{domain}(G_1 \cup G_2 \cup G_3 \cup G_4) = \text{Nat}$

Now let us construct the following functions from  $h$ :

$h^1 = \lambda n. (n \bmod \text{two}) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{zero} \square \perp$

$h^2 = \lambda n. (n \bmod \text{two}) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{zero} \square (n \bmod \text{three}) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \square \perp$

Clearly,  $\text{graph}(h^1) = G_1$  and  $\text{graph}(h^2) = G_1 \cup G_2$

Now we are ready to unfold  $h$ :

$h_0 = \{ \}$

$h_1 = h_2 = h_3 = G_1 \cup G_2$

$h_4 = h_5 = h_6 = G_1 \cup G_2 \cup G_3$

$h_7 = G_1 \cup G_2 \cup G_3 \cup G_4$

As  $\text{domain}(G_1 \cup G_2 \cup G_3 \cup G_4) = \text{Nat}$ ,  $h_i = h_7, \forall i \geq 7$ .



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$$h = \lambda n. (n \bmod \text{two}) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{zero} \\ \quad \square (n \bmod \text{three}) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \\ \quad \square h(h(n \text{ minus one}) \text{ mult } h(n \text{ plus two}))$$

- 1 Formulate the functional  $F$  for  $h$  such that  $F(h) = h$ . [2]

$$F = \lambda f. \lambda n. (n \bmod \text{two}) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{zero} \\ \quad \square (n \bmod \text{three}) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \\ \quad \square f(f(n \text{ minus one}) \text{ mult } f(n \text{ plus two}))$$

- 2 Resolve  $h$  as  $\text{fix}(F)$ . [1]

From unfolding we get:  $g = h_7 = (F \ g) = (F \ h_7) = (F \ h) = \text{fix}(F)$

Simplifying for  $G_1, G_2, G_3$ , and  $G_4$ , we get:

$$g = \lambda n. (n \bmod \text{two}) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{zero} \\ \quad \square ((n \text{ minus three}) \bmod \text{six}) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \\ \quad \square ((n \text{ minus one}) \bmod \text{six}) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{zero} \\ \quad \square ((n \text{ minus five}) \bmod \text{six}) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{zero}$$

Simplifying on remainders while dividing with 6, we get:

$$g = \lambda n. ((n \text{ minus three}) \bmod \text{six}) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \square \text{zero}$$

- 3 Using extensionality prove that  $g = h$  where  $g : \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}$  is a non-recursive definition: [3]
- $$g = \lambda n. ((n \text{ minus three}) \bmod \text{six}) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow \text{one} \square \text{zero}$$

We have:  $g = (F \ g) = \text{fix}(F) = (F \ h) = h$



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```
// h(n) = (n mod two) equals zero -> zero
//      [] (n mod three) equals zero -> one
//      [] h(h(n minus one)) mult h(n plus two))
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
static unsigned int h_Count = 0, maxUnfoldingLevel;

unsigned int h(unsigned int x) { ++h_Count; int result = 0;
    if (h_Count == maxUnfoldingLevel) throw 1;
    if (x % 2 == 0) return 0; // else if (x == 1) return 1;
    else if (x % 3 == 0) return 1;
    else try { return h(h(x - 1) * h(x + 2)); }
    // What happens for else try { return h(h(x - 1) * h(x + 6)); }
    catch (int) { throw; }
}

int modulo_six_unfold(unsigned int maxUnfoldingLevel = 100, unsigned int maxParam = 10) {
    bool bottom = false; unsigned int result; ::maxUnfoldingLevel = maxUnfoldingLevel;
    cout << "COMPUTING LFP of h(n) = (n mod two) equals zero -> zero"
         << "[] (n mod three) equals zero -> one"
         << "[] h(h(n minus one)) mult h(n plus two))" << endl;
    for (unsigned int n = 0; n < maxParam; ++n) {
        try { bottom = false; h_Count = 0; result = h(n); }
        catch (int) { bottom = true; }
        cout << "h(" << n << ") = " << (int)((bottom) ? -1 : result)
             << " in " << h_Count << " unfolds" << endl;
    }
    cout << endl << endl;

    return 0;
}
```

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- Languages rely on notions of context which influences the meanings of phrases – attributes meanings to identifiers
- Programming language contexts can have different notions

## Store as Context

Store establishes the context for a phrase – but it does suggest that the context within the block is constantly changing which is counter-intuitive. Surely the declarations of the identifiers X and Y establish the context of the block, and the commands within the block operate within that context.

```
begin
  integer X; integer Y;
  Y:=0; // X = bot, Y = 0
  X:=Y; // X = 0, Y = 0
  Y:=1; // X = 0, Y = 1
  X:=Y+1 // X = 2, Y = 1
end
```

## Block as Context

The meaning of an identifier is not just its storeable value. There are two definitions of X – outer (inner) is an integer (real) object. Any ambiguity in using X is handled by the scope rules. These are actually computer storage locations, and the primary meaning of an identifier is the location bound to it.

```
begin integer X;
  X:=0; // integer X
  begin real X;
    X:=1.5 // real X
  end;
  X:=X+1 // integer X
end
```



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The context we choose to use is

- the set of identifier and storage location pairs that are
- accessible at a textual position

Each position in the program

- resides within a unique context, and
- the context can be determined without running the program



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Summary

In denotational semantics, the context of a phrase is modeled by a value called an **environment**. Environments possess several distinctive properties:

- ① An environment establishes a context for a syntactic phrase, resolving any ambiguities concerning the meaning of identifiers.
- ② There are as many environment values as there are distinct contexts in a program. Multiple environments may be maintained during program evaluation.
- ③ An environment is (usually) a static object. A phrase uses the same environment each time it is evaluated with the store.



# Language with Contexts: Environment & Store

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- An environment argument was not needed for the languages so far, because the programs in the languages used exactly one environment
- The single environment was *pasted onto* the store, giving a map from identifiers to storable values.
- Now, that simple model is split apart into two separate components:
  - the environment and
  - the store



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- The primary real-life example of an environment is a compiler's symbol table used to translate a source program into compiled code
- The symbol table contains an entry for each identifier in the program, listing:
  - the identifier's data type,
  - its mode of usage (variable, constant, parameter, . . .), and
  - its relative location in the run-time computer store
- Since a block-structured language allows multiple uses of the same identifier, the symbol table is responsible for resolving naming conflicts.



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- The schemes for implementation are many:
  - one is to keep a different symbol table for each block of the program (the portions in common between blocks may be shared);
  - another is to build the table as a single stack, which is incremented and decremented upon respective entry and exit for a block.
- Symbol tables may be
  - compile-time objects, as in ALGOL68, standard Pascal, C, C++, or
  - run-time objects, as in SNOBOL4, LISP or
  - used in both phases, as in ALGOL60, Java, Python



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- Those portions of a semantics definition that use an environment to resolve context questions are sometimes called the **Static Semantics**
  - The term traditionally describes compile-time actions such as type-checking, scope resolution, and storage calculation
- Static semantics may be contrasted with the *real* production of meaning, which takes the name **Dynamic Semantics**
  - Code generation and execution comprise the implementation-oriented version of dynamic semantics
- In general, the separation of static from dynamic semantics is rarely clear cut, and will be skipped here



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- Environments are used as arguments by the valuation functions. The meaning of a command is now determined by the function:

$$C : \text{Command} \rightarrow \text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Store}_\perp$$

instead of the earlier:

$$C : \text{Command} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Store}_\perp$$

- The meaning of a command as a  $\text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Store}_\perp$  function is determined once an environment establishes the context for the command.
- An environment belongs to the domain:

$$\text{Environment} = \text{Identifier} \rightarrow \text{Denotable\_value}$$

- The *Denotable\_value* domain contains all the values that identifiers may represent.
- This domain varies widely from language to language and its structure largely determines the character of the language





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- We study language features whose semantics are understood in terms of environments
- These features include:
  - declarations,
  - block structure,
  - scoping mechanisms,
  - recursive bindings, and
  - compound data structures
- The concepts are covered within the framework of two languages:
  - an imperative block-structured language and
  - an applicative language



# Block Structured Language: Abstract Syntax

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## Abstract Syntax:

- $P \in \text{Program}$

$K \in \text{Block}$

$D \in \text{Declaration}$

$C \in \text{Command}$

$E \in \text{Expression}$

$B \in \text{Boolean\_expr}$

$I \in \text{Identifier}$

$N \in \text{Numeral}$

$P ::= K.$

$K ::= \text{begin } D; C \text{ end}$

$D ::= D_1; D_2 \mid \text{const } I = N \mid \text{var } I$

$C ::= C_1; C_2 \mid I := E \mid \text{while } B \text{ do } C \mid K$

$E ::= E_1 + E_2 \mid I \mid N$

$B ::= E_1 = E_2 \mid \neg B$



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## Semantic Algebras:

- *Truth values*

Domain:  $t \in Tr = B$

Operations:

$true, false : Tr$

$not : Tr \rightarrow Tr$

- *Natural Numbers*

Domain:  $n \in Nat = \mathcal{N}$

Operations:

$zero, one, \dots : Nat$

$plus : Nat \times Nat \rightarrow Nat$

$equals : Nat \times Nat \rightarrow Tr$

- *Identifiers*

Domain:  $i \in Id = Identifier$



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- *Expressible value*

Domain:  $x \in \text{Expressible\_value} = \text{Nat} + \text{Errvalue}$

where  $\text{Errvalue} = \text{Unit}$

- Expressible value errors occur when an expressible value is inappropriately used
- For example, a truth value is added to a natural number expression



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- *Storage Location*

Domain:  $l \in Location$

Operations:

*first\_locn* : *Location*

*next\_locn* : *Location*  $\rightarrow$  *Location*

*equal\_locn* : *Location*  $\rightarrow$  *Location*  $\rightarrow$  *Tr*

*lessthan\_locn* : *Location*  $\rightarrow$  *Location*  $\rightarrow$  *Tr*

- *first\_locn* is a constant, marking the first usable location in a store
- *next\_locn* maps a location to its immediate successor in a store
- *equal\_locn* checks for equality of two values, and
- *lessthan\_locn* compares two locations and returns a truth value based on the locations' relative values



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Summary

- *Denotable values*

Domain:

$d \in \text{Denotable\_value} = \text{Location} + \text{Nat} + \text{Errvalue}$

where  $\text{Errvalue} = \text{Unit}$

- Of the three components of the *Denotable\_value* domain:
  - *Location* holds the denotations of variable identifiers,
  - *Nat* holds the meanings of constant identifiers, and
  - *Errvalue* holds the meaning for undeclared identifiers
- Since the *Denotable\_value* domain contains both natural numbers and locations, denotable value errors may occur in a program; for example, an identifier with a number denotation might be used where an identifier with a location denotation is required
- An identifier with an erroneous denotable value always induces an error



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Summary

- *Environment*: a map to denotable values and the maximum store location

Domain:

$$e \in \textit{Environment} = (Id \rightarrow \textit{Denotable\_value}) \times \textit{Location}$$

Operations:

$$\textit{emptyenv} : \textit{Location} \rightarrow \textit{Environment}$$

$$\textit{emptyenv} = \lambda l. ((\lambda l. \textit{inErrvalue}()), l)$$

$$\textit{accessenv} : Id \rightarrow \textit{Environment} \rightarrow \textit{Denotable\_value}$$

$$\textit{accessenv} = \lambda i. \lambda (map, l). map(i)$$

$$\textit{updateenv} : Id \rightarrow \textit{Denotable\_value} \rightarrow$$

$$\textit{Environment} \rightarrow \textit{Environment}$$

$$\textit{updateenv} = \lambda i. \lambda d. \lambda (map, l). ([i \mapsto d]map, l)$$

$$\textit{reserve\_locn} : \textit{Environment} \rightarrow (\textit{Location} \times \textit{Environment})$$

$$\textit{reserve\_locn} = \lambda (map, l). (l, (map, \textit{next\_locn}(l)))$$



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- An environment is a pair
  - The first component is the function that maps identifiers to their denotable values
  - The second component is a location value, which marks the extent of the store reserved for declared variables
- The environment takes the responsibility for assigning locations to variables. This is done by the *reserve\_locn* operation, which returns the next usable location
- *Although it is not made clear by the algebra, the structure of the language will cause the locations to be used in a **stack-like fashion***
- The *emptyenv* must be given the location marking the beginning of usable space in the store so that it can build the initial environment





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- *Storable values*

Domain:  $v \in \text{Storable\_value} = \text{Nat}$

- *Store*

Domain:  $s \in \text{Store} = \text{Location} \rightarrow \text{Storable\_value}$

Operations:

$\text{access} : \text{Location} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Storable\_value}$

$\text{access} = \lambda(l, s).s(i)$

$\text{update} : \text{Location} \rightarrow \text{Storable\_value} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Store}$

$\text{update} = \lambda(l, v, s).[l \mapsto v]s$

- The store is a map from storage locations to storable values, and the operations are the obvious ones
- Errors during evaluation are possible, so the store will be labeled with the status of the evaluation
- The *check* operation uses the tags to determine if evaluation should continue



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Summary

- *Run-time store, labeled with status of computation*

Domain:  $p \in \text{Poststore} = \text{OK} + \text{Err}$

where  $\text{OK} = \text{Err} = \text{Store}$

Operations:

$\text{return} : \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Poststore}$

$\text{return} = \lambda s. \text{inOK}(s)$

$\text{signalerr} : \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Poststore}$

$\text{signalerr} = \lambda s. \text{inErr}(s)$

$\text{check} : (\text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Poststore}_{\perp}) \rightarrow$

$(\text{Poststore}_{\perp} \rightarrow \text{Poststore}_{\perp})$

$\text{check } f = \underline{\lambda p}. \text{cases } p \text{ of}$

$\text{isOK}(s) \rightarrow (f \ s) \ [] \ \text{isErr}(s) \rightarrow p \text{ end}$



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Summary

## Valuation Functions:

- **P**:  $\text{Program} \rightarrow \text{Location} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Poststore}_{\perp}$

$$\mathbf{P}[[K.]] = \lambda l. \mathbf{K}[[K]] (\text{emptyenv } l)$$

- The **P** valuation function requires a store and a location value, the latter marking the beginning of the store's free space

- **K**:  $\text{Block} \rightarrow \text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Poststore}_{\perp}$

$$\mathbf{K}[[\text{begin } D; C \text{ end}]] = \lambda e. \mathbf{C}[[C]](\mathbf{D}[[D]]e)$$

- The **K** function establishes the context for a block



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- **D**: Declaration  $\rightarrow$  Environment  $\rightarrow$  Environment

$$\mathbf{D}[[D_1; D_2]] = \mathbf{D}[[D_2]] \circ \mathbf{D}[[D_1]]$$

- The **D** function augments an environment
- The composition of declarations parallels the composition of commands

$$\mathbf{D}[\text{const } l = N] = \text{updateenv } [[l]] \text{ inNat}(\mathbf{N}[[N]]) e$$

- A constant identifier declaration causes an environment update, where the identifier is mapped to its numeral value in the environment



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## Valuation Functions:

- **D**:  $\text{Declaration} \rightarrow \text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Environment}$

$$\mathbf{D}[\mathbf{var} \ l] = \lambda e. \text{let}(l', e') = (\text{reserve\_locn } e) \text{ in } (\text{updateenv } [[l]] \text{ inLocation}(l') e')$$

- The denotation of a variable declaration is more involved:  
a new location is reserved for the variable
- This location,  $l'$ , plus the current environment,  $e'$ , are used  
to create the environment in which the variable  $[[l]]$  binds  
to  $\text{inLocation}(l')$
- What happens on duplicate declaration of the same  
identifier in the same block?



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- $\mathbf{C}: \text{Command} \rightarrow \text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Poststore}_\perp$

$$\mathbf{C}[[C_1; C_2]] = \lambda e. (\text{check}(\mathbf{C}[[C_2]]e)) \circ (\mathbf{C}[[C_1]]e)$$

- First, consider the *check* operation. If command  $\mathbf{C}[[C_1]]e$  maps a store into an erroneous *Poststore*, then *check* traps the error and prevents  $\mathbf{C}[[C_2]]e$  from altering the store
- Note that the commands  $[[C_1]]$  and  $[[C_2]]$  are both evaluated in the context represented by  $e$ . This is important, for  $[[C_1]]$  could be a block with local declarations that would need its own local environment to process its commands while  $\mathbf{C}[[C_2]]$  retains its own copy of  $e$ . (Of course, whatever alterations  $\mathbf{C}[[C_1]]e$  makes upon the store are passed to  $\mathbf{C}[[C_2]]e$ .)
- This language feature is called **static scoping**. The context for a phrase in a statically scoped language is determined solely by the textual position of the phrase and any identifier declared within a block may be referenced only by the commands within that block
- **Dynamically scoped** languages, whose contexts are not totally determined by textual position, will be discussed later.



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## Valuation Functions:

- **C**:  $\text{Command} \rightarrow \text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Poststore}_{\perp}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{C}[[I := E]] = & \lambda e. \lambda s. \text{cases } (\text{accessenv } [[I]] e) \text{ of} \\ & \text{isLocation}(I) \rightarrow (\text{cases}(\mathbf{E}[[E]] e s) \text{ of} \\ & \quad \text{isNat}(n) \rightarrow (\text{return}(\text{update } I \ n \ s)) \\ & \quad [] \text{isErrValue}() \rightarrow (\text{signalerr } s) \text{ end}) \\ & [] \text{isNat}(n) \rightarrow (\text{signalerr } s) \\ & [] \text{isErrValue}() \rightarrow (\text{signalerr } s) \text{ end} \end{aligned}$$

- Note that, if identifier  $I$  has not been declared in this environment, then *accessenv* will return a *Errvalue* as the *Denotational\_value*. On this, a *signalerr* is rightly done putting the store  $s$  as *Err*



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## Valuation Functions:

- **C**:  $\text{Command} \rightarrow \text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Poststore}_{\perp}$

$$\mathbf{C}[[\text{while } B \text{ do } C]] = \lambda e. \text{fix}(\lambda f. \lambda s. \text{cases } (\mathbf{B}[[B]]e \ s) \text{ of} \\ \text{isTr}(t) \rightarrow (t \rightarrow (\text{check } f) \circ (\mathbf{C}[[C]]e) \ [] \text{ return})(s) \\ [] \text{ isErrValue}(l) \rightarrow (\text{signalerr } s) \text{ end})$$

$$\mathbf{C}[[K]] = \mathbf{K}[[K]]$$





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## Valuation Functions:

- **E:**

$\text{Expression} \rightarrow \text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Expressible\_value}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}[[E_1 + E_2]] = & \lambda e. \lambda s. \text{cases } (\mathbf{E}[[E_1]] e \ s) \text{ of} \\ & [] \text{ isNat}(n_1) \rightarrow (\text{cases } (\mathbf{E}[[E_2]] e \ s) \text{ of} \\ & \quad \text{isNat}(n_2) \rightarrow \text{inNat}(n_1 \text{ plus } n_2) \\ & \quad [] \text{ isErrvalue}() \rightarrow \text{inErrvalue}() \text{ end}) \\ & [] \text{ isErrvalue}() \rightarrow \text{inErrvalue}() \text{ end} \end{aligned}$$
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}[[I]] = & \lambda e. \lambda s. \text{cases } (\text{accessenv } [[I]] \ e) \text{ of} \\ & \text{isLocation}(l) \rightarrow \text{inNat}(\text{access } l \ s) \\ & [] \text{ isNat}(n) \rightarrow \text{inNat}(n) \\ & [] \text{ isErrvalue}() \rightarrow \text{inErrvalue}() \text{ end} \end{aligned}$$
$$\mathbf{E}[[N]] = \lambda e. \lambda s. \text{inNat}(\mathbf{N}[[N]])$$



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## Valuation Functions:

- $\mathbf{B} : \text{Boolean\_expr} \rightarrow \text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow (\text{Tr} + \text{Errvalue})$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{B}[[E_1 = E_2]] &= \lambda e. \lambda s. \text{cases } (\mathbf{E}[[E_1]]e \ s) \text{ of} \\ &\quad [] \text{ isNat}(n_1) \rightarrow (\text{cases } (\mathbf{E}[[E_2]]e \ s) \text{ of} \\ &\quad \quad \text{isNat}(n_2) \rightarrow \text{inTr}(n_1 \text{ equals } n_2) \\ &\quad \quad [] \text{ isErrvalue}() \rightarrow \text{inErrvalue}() \text{ end}) \\ &\quad [] \text{ isErrvalue}() \rightarrow \text{inErrvalue}() \text{ end} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{B}[[\neg B]] &= \lambda e. \lambda s. \text{cases } (\mathbf{B}[[B]]e \ s) \text{ of} \\ &\quad [] \text{ isTr}(t) \rightarrow \text{inTr}(\text{not } t) \\ &\quad [] \text{ isErrvalue}() \rightarrow \text{inErrvalue}() \text{ end} \end{aligned}$$

- $\mathbf{N} : \text{Numeral} \rightarrow \text{Nat} \text{ (omitted)}$



# Block Structured Language: Example

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Perform the valuation for:

$P[[\text{begin } D_0; D_1; C_0 \text{ end}]]$  where

$D_0 = \text{const } A = 1$

$D_1 = \text{var } X$

$C_0 = C_1; C_2; C_3$

$C_1 = X := A + 2$

$C_2 = \text{begin var } A; C_4 \text{ end}$

$C_3 = X := A$

$C_4 = \text{while } X = 0 \text{ do } A := X$



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$P[[\text{begin } D_0; D_1; C_0 \text{ end}]] =$

$\lambda l. K[[\text{begin } D_0; D_1; C_0 \text{ end}]](\text{emptyenv } l) =$   
where  $e_0 = \text{emptyenv } l$

$C[[C_0]](D[[D_0; D_1]]e_0) =$

$D[[D_0; D_1]]e_0 = D[[D_1]](D[[\text{const } A = 1]]e_0)$

$D[[D_0]] = D[[\text{const } A = 1]]e_0 = (\text{updateenv } [[A]] \text{ inNat}(\text{one}) e_0) = e_1$

$D[[D_1]] = D[[\text{var } X]]e_1 = (\text{updateenv } [[A]] \text{ inLocation}(l) e_2) = e_3$   
where  $\text{let}(l', e') = (\text{reserve\_locn } e_1) \text{ in } e_2 = (l, (\text{map}, (\text{next\_locn } l)))$



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$$(\text{check}(\mathbf{C}[[C_2; C_3]]e_3)) \circ (\mathbf{C}[[C_1]]e_3) =$$

$$(\text{check}(\mathbf{C}[[C_2; C_3]]e_3)) \circ (\mathbf{C}[[X := A + 2]]e_3) =$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{C}[[X := A + 2]] &= \lambda s. \text{cases } (\text{accessenv } [[X]] e_3) \text{ of } \text{isLocation}(l) \rightarrow \\ &(\text{cases } (\mathbf{E}[[A + 2]]e_3 s) \text{ of } \text{isNat}(n) \rightarrow (\text{return}(\text{update } l \ n \ s)) \dots \text{end}) \dots \text{end} = \\ &\text{inOK}([l \mapsto \text{three}]s), \text{ where } e_3 = [X \mapsto \text{inLocation}(l), A \mapsto \text{inNat}(\text{three})] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}[[A + 2]]e_3 &= \lambda s. \text{cases } (\mathbf{E}[[A]]e_3 s) \text{ of } [] \text{ isNat}(n_1) \rightarrow (\text{cases } (\mathbf{E}[[2]]e_3 s) \text{ of } \\ &\text{isNat}(n_2) \rightarrow \text{inNat}(n_1 \text{ plus } n_2) \dots \text{end}) \dots \text{end} = \\ &\text{inNat}(\text{one plus two}) = \text{inNat}(\text{three}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}[[A]]e_3 &= \lambda s. \text{cases } (\text{accessenv } [[A]] e_3) \text{ of } \text{isLocation}(l) \rightarrow \\ &\text{inNat}(\text{access } l \ s) [] \text{ isNat}(n) \rightarrow \text{inNat}(n) \dots \text{end} = \text{inNat}(\text{one}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{E}[[2]]e_3 = \text{inNat}(\mathbf{N}[[2]]) = \text{inNat}(\text{two})$$



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$$(check(\mathbf{C}[[C_2; C_3]]e_3)) =$$

$$(check(\mathbf{C}[[C_3]]e_3)) \circ (\mathbf{C}[[\mathbf{while} \ X = 0 \ \mathbf{do} \ A := X]]e_3) =$$

$$\mathbf{C}[[\mathbf{while} \ X = 0 \ \mathbf{do} \ A := X]]e_3 = \mathbf{C}[[C_4]](\mathbf{D}[[\mathbf{var} \ A]]e_3) =$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{C}[[\mathbf{while} \ X = 0 \ \mathbf{do} \ A := X]]e_5 = \\ \text{fix}(\lambda f. \lambda s. \text{cases } (\mathbf{B}[[X = 0]]e_5 \ s) \text{ of } \dots \text{end} \\ ((\text{access } l \ s) \text{ equals zero} \rightarrow (check \ f) \circ (\mathbf{C}[[A := X]]e_5)) \ [] \ \text{return}) \ s \\ \lambda s. \text{return}(\text{update}(\text{next\_locn } l) (\text{access } l \ s) \ s) \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{B}[[X = 0]]e_5 \ s = \text{inTr}((\text{access } l \ s) \text{ equals zero}) = \text{false}$$

$$\mathbf{D}[[\mathbf{var} \ A]]e_3 = (\text{updateenv } [[A]] \ \text{inLocation}(\text{next\_locn } l) \ e_4) = e_5$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{C}[[C_3]]e_3 = \mathbf{C}[[X := A]]e_3 \\ \lambda s. \text{return}(\text{update } l \ \text{one } s) = \text{inOK}([l \mapsto \text{one}]s) \end{aligned}$$



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Summary

- The store of a **block-structured language** is used in a **stack-like fashion**:
  - Locations are bound to identifiers sequentially using *next\_locn*, and
  - A location bound to an identifier in a local block is freed for re-use when the block is exited
  - The re-use of locations happens automatically due to the equation for  $\mathbf{C}[[C_1; C_2]]$
  - Any locations bound to identifiers in  $[[C_1]]$  are reserved by the environment built from  $e$  for  $\mathbf{C}[[C_1]]$ , but  $\mathbf{C}[[C_2]]$  re-uses the original  $e$  (and its original location marker), effectively deallocating the locations.



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Summary

- Stack-based storage is a significant characteristic of block-structured programming languages, and
- the **Store algebra** deserves to possess mechanisms for stack-based allocation and deallocation
- Next we start to move the storage calculation mechanism over to the store algebra





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Summary

- *Stack-based store*

Domain:

$$s \in \text{Store} = (\text{Location} \rightarrow \text{Storable\_value}) \times \text{Location}$$

- The new store domain uses the

$$\text{Location} \rightarrow \text{Storable\_value}$$

component as the data space of the stack, and

- the Location component indicates the amount of storage in use: it is the
  - *stack top* marker



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- *Stack-based store*

Domain:

$$s \in \text{Store} = (\text{Location} \rightarrow \text{Storable\_value}) \times \text{Location}$$

Operations:

$$\text{access} : \text{Location} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow (\text{Storable\_value} + \text{Errvalue})$$

$$\text{access} = \lambda(l, s). s(i)$$

$$\text{update} : \text{Location} \rightarrow \text{Storable\_value} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Poststore}$$

$$\text{update} = \lambda l. \lambda v. \lambda(\text{map}, \text{top}). l \text{ lessthan\_locln } \text{top} \rightarrow \\ \text{inOK}([l \mapsto v] \text{map}, \text{top}) [] \text{inErr}(\text{map}, \text{tops})$$

- Operations *access* and *update* verify that any reference to a storage location is a valid one, occurring at an active location beneath the stack top



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- *Stack-based store*

Domain:

$$s \in \text{Store} = (\text{Location} \rightarrow \text{Storable\_value}) \times \text{Location}$$

Operations:

$$\text{mark\_locn} : \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Location}$$

$$\text{mark\_locn} = \lambda(\text{map}, \text{top}).\text{top}$$

$$\text{allocate\_locn} : \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Location} \times \text{Poststore}$$

$$\text{allocate\_locn} =$$

$$\lambda(\text{map}, \text{top}).(\text{top}, \text{inOK}(\text{map}, \text{next\_locn}(\text{top})))$$

- The purposes of *mark\_locn* and *allocate\_locn* should be clear; the latter is the run-time version of the environment's *reserve\_locn* operation



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Summary

- *Stack-based store*

Operations:

$dealloc\_locns : Location \rightarrow Store \rightarrow Poststore$

$dealloc\_locns = \lambda l. (map, top).$

$(l \text{ lessthan\_locn } top) \text{ or } (l \text{ equal\_locn } top) \rightarrow$   
 $inOK(map, l) \ [] \ inErr(map, top)$

- The *dealloc\_locns* operation releases stack storage from the stack top to the value indicated by its argument. Freed from storage management, the environment domain takes the form *Environment* = *Id*  $\rightarrow$  *Denotable\_value*
- The operations are adjusted accordingly, and the operation *reserve\_locn* is dropped
- If the environment leaves the task of storage calculation to the store operations, then processing of declarations requires the store as well as the environment



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The functionality of the valuation function for declarations becomes:

- $D: \text{Declaration} \rightarrow \text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow (\text{Environment} \times \text{Poststore})$

$$D[\text{var } l] = \lambda e. \lambda s. \text{let}(l, p) = (\text{allocate\_locns}) \\ \text{in } ((\text{updateenv } [[l]] \text{ inLocation}(l) e), p)$$

$$D[[D_1; D_2]] == \lambda e. \lambda s. \text{let}(e', p) = (D[[D_1]] e s) \text{ in } (\text{check } D[[D_2]] e')(p) \\ \text{check} : (\text{Store} \rightarrow (\text{Environment} \times \text{Poststore})) \rightarrow \\ (\text{Poststore} \rightarrow (\text{Environment} \times \text{Poststore}))$$

- This version of declaration processing makes the environment into a run-time object, for the binding of location values to identifiers cannot be completed without the run-time store
- Contrast this with the arrangement in the last model, where location binding is computed by the environment operation *reserve\_locn*, which produced a result relative to an arbitrary base address
- A solution for freeing the environment from dependence upon *allocate\_locn* is to provide it information about storage management strategies, so that the necessary address calculations can be performed independently of the value of the run-time store



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- $\mathbf{K}$ :  $\text{Block} \rightarrow \text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Store} \rightarrow \text{Poststore}_{\perp}$

The  $\mathbf{K}$  function manages the storage for the block:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{K}[[\text{begin } D; C \text{ end}]] &= \lambda e. \lambda s. \text{let } l = \text{mark\_locn } s \text{ in} \\ &\quad \text{let } (e', p) = \mathbf{D}[[D]]e \text{ in} \\ &\quad \text{let } p' = (\text{check}(\mathbf{c}[[C]]e'))(p) \text{ in } (\text{check}(\text{deallocate\_locns } l))(p') \end{aligned}$$

- The *deallocate\_locns* operation frees storage down to the level held by the store prior to block entry, which is (*mark\_locn s*)



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- The notion of context can be even more subtle than we first imagined. Consider the Pascal assignment statement

$$X := X + 1$$

- The meaning of  $X$  on the right-hand side of the assignment is decidedly different from  $X$ 's meaning on the left-hand side. Specifically,
  - the *left-hand side value* is a *location value*, while
  - the *right-hand side value* is the *storable value* associated with that location.
  - Apparently the context problem for identifiers is found even at the primitive command level



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Summary

- One way out of this problem would be to introduce two environment arguments for the semantic function for commands:

- a *left-hand side one* and
- a *right-hand side one*

This arrangement is hardly natural; commands are the *sentences* of a program, and sentences normally operate in a *single context*





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- Another option is to say that any variable identifier actually denotes a pair of values:
  - a *location value*, or,
    - identifier's *L-value* which is kept in the
    - *environment* and
  - a *storable value*, or,
    - identifier's *R-value* which is kept in the
    - *store*



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Summary

- We introduce a valuation function

$$\mathbf{I} : Id \rightarrow Environment \rightarrow Store \rightarrow (Location \times Storable\_value)$$

- . In practice, the  $\mathbf{I}$  function is split into two semantic functions

$$\mathbf{L} : Id \rightarrow Environment \rightarrow Location$$

and

$$\mathbf{R} : Id \rightarrow Environment \rightarrow Store \rightarrow Storable\_value$$

such that:

- $\mathbf{L}[[I]] = accessenv \ [[I]]$
  - $\mathbf{R}[[I]] = access \circ accessenv \ [[I]]$
- We restate the semantic equations using variables as:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{C}[[I := E]] &= \lambda e. \lambda s. return(update(\mathbf{L}[[I]]e)(\mathbf{E}[[E]]e s) s) \\ \mathbf{E}[[I]] &= \mathbf{R}[[I]] \end{aligned}$$



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Summary

- The definitions are a bit simplistic because they assume that all identifiers are variables.
  - Constant identifiers can be integrated into the scheme
  - a declaration such as `[[const A = N]]` suggests  $L[[A]]e = inErrvalue()$
  - What should  $(R[[A]]e \ s)$  be?
- Yet another view to take is that the *R-value* of a variable identifier is a function of its *Lvalue*
- The *true meaning* of a variable is its *Lvalue*, and a *coercion* occurs when a variable is used on the right-hand side of an assignment
- This coercion is called *dereferencing*



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- We formalize this view as:

$$\mathbf{J} : Id \rightarrow Environment \rightarrow Denotable\_value$$
$$\mathbf{J}[[I]] = \lambda e. (accessenv [[I]] e)$$
$$\mathbf{C}[[I := E]] = \lambda e. \lambda s. return(update(\mathbf{J}[[I]]e)(\mathbf{E}[[E]]e s) s)$$
$$\mathbf{E}[[I]] = \lambda e. \lambda s. dereference(\mathbf{J}[[I]]e) s$$

where

$$dereference : Location \rightarrow Store \rightarrow Storable\_value$$
$$dereference = access$$



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Summary

- An identifier's meaning is just its denotable value
- Those identifiers with locations as their meanings (the variables) are dereferenced when an expressible value is needed.
- The implicit use of dereferencing is so common in general purpose programming languages that we take it for granted, despite the somewhat unorthodox appearance of commands such as

$$X = X + 1$$

in FORTRAN



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Summary

- Systems-oriented programming languages such as BCPL, Bliss, and C use an explicit dereferencing operator
  - For example, in BCPL expressible values include locations, and the appropriate semantic equations are:

$$\mathbf{E}[[I]] = \lambda e. \lambda s. \text{inLocation}(\mathbf{J}[[I]]e)$$

$$\mathbf{E}[[@E]] = \lambda e. \lambda s. \text{cases } (\mathbf{E}[[E]]e \ s) \text{ of} \\ \text{isLocation}(I) \rightarrow (\text{dereference } I \ s) \\ [] \dots \text{end}$$

- The @ symbol is the dereferencing operator
- The meaning of

$$X := X + 1$$

in BCPL is decidedly different from that of

$$X := @X+1$$



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Summary

- An applicative language contains no variables
- All identifiers are constants and can be given attributes – but once, at their point of definition
- Without variables, mechanisms such as assignment are superfluous and are dropped
- Arithmetic is an applicative language.
- Another example is the minimal subset of LISP known as *pure LISP*
- The function notation that we use to define denotational definitions can also be termed an applicative language. Since an applicative language has no variables, its semantics can be specified without a *Store domain*
- The environment holds the attributes associated with the identifiers



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Summary

- It is similar to pure LISP – a list processing language
- A program in the language is just an expression
- An expression can be
  - a *LET* definition;
  - a *LAMBDA* form;
    - representing a function routine with parameter *I*
  - a function application;
  - a list expression using *CONS*, *HEAD*, *TAIL*, or *NIL*;
  - an identifier; or
  - an atomic symbol





# Applicative Language: Abstract Syntax

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## Abstract Syntax:

- $E \in \text{Expression}$   
 $A \in \text{Atomic\_symbol}$   
 $I \in \text{Identifier}$

$$\begin{aligned} E ::= & \text{LET } I = E_1 \text{ IN } E_2 \mid \\ & \text{LAMBDA } (I) E \mid \\ & E_1 E_2 \mid \\ & E_1 \text{ CONS } E_2 \mid \text{HEAD } E \mid \text{TAIL } E \mid \text{NIL} \mid \\ & I \mid \\ & A \mid (E) \end{aligned}$$

**Note:**  $(\text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2) \text{ for } (\lambda x. e_2)e_1$



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## Semantic Algebras:

- *Atomic answer values*

Domain:  $a \in Atom$

Operations: (Omitted)

- *Atom* is a primitive answer domain and its internal structure will not be considered

- *Identifiers*

Domain:  $i \in Id = Identifier$

Operations: (Usual)



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## Semantic Algebras:

- *Denotable values, functions, and lists*

Domain:

$d \in \text{Denotable\_value} = (\text{Function} + \text{List} + \text{Atom} + \text{Error})_{\perp}$

$f \in \text{Function} = \text{Denotable\_value} \rightarrow \text{Denotable\_value}$

$t \in \text{List} = \text{Denotable\_value}$

$\text{Error} = \text{Unit}$

- The language also contains a domain of functions, which map denotable values to denotable values; a denotable value can be a function, a list, or an atom
- For the first time, we encounter a semantic domain defined in terms of itself. By substitution, we see that:

$$\text{Denotable\_value} = ((\text{Denotable\_value} \rightarrow \text{Denotable\_value}) + \text{Denotable\_value}^* + \text{Atom} + \text{Error})_{\perp}$$



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## Semantic Algebras:

- *Expressible value*

Domain:  $x \in \text{Expressible\_value} = \text{Denotable\_value}$



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## Semantic Algebras:

- *Environment*

Domain:  $e \in \text{Environment} = \text{Id} \rightarrow \text{Denotable\_value}$

Operations:

$\text{accessenv} : \text{Id} \rightarrow \text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Denotable\_value}$

$\text{accessenv} = \lambda i. \lambda e. e(i)$

$\text{updateenv} : \text{Id} \rightarrow \text{Denotable\_value} \rightarrow$

$\text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Environment}$

$\text{updateenv} = \lambda i. \lambda d. \lambda e. [i \mapsto d]e$



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## Valuation Functions:

- $E: \text{Expression} \rightarrow \text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Expressible\_value}$

$$E[[LET\ I = E_1\ IN\ E_2]] = \\ \lambda e. E[[E_2]](\text{updateenv } [[I]] (E[[E_1]]e)\ e)$$

**Note:**  $(let\ x = e_1\ in\ e_2)\ for\ (\lambda x. e_2)e_1$

- **E** determines the meaning of an expression, a denotable value, with the aid of an environment
- An atom, list, or even a function can be a legal *answer*
- The LET expression provides a definition mechanism for augmenting the environment
- Static scoping is used



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## Valuation Functions:

- $E: \text{Expression} \rightarrow \text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Expressible\_value}$

$$E[[\text{LAMBDA } (I) E]] = \lambda e. \text{isFunction}(\lambda d. E[[E]](\text{updateenv } [[I]] d e))$$

$$E[[E_1 E_2]] = \lambda e. \text{let } x = (E[[E_1]]e) \text{ in cases } x \text{ of}$$
$$\begin{aligned} & \text{isFunction}(f) \rightarrow f(E[[E_2]]e) \\ & [] \text{isList}(t) \rightarrow \text{inError}() \\ & [] \text{isAtom}(a) \rightarrow \text{inError}() \\ & [] \text{isError}() \rightarrow \text{inError}() \text{ end} \end{aligned}$$

- Functions are created by the LAMBDA construction
- A function body is evaluated in the context that is active at the point of function definition, augmented by the binding of an actual parameter to the binding identifier
- This definition is also statically scoped



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## Valuation Functions:

- $E: \text{Expression} \rightarrow \text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Expressible\_value}$

$$\begin{aligned} E[[E_1 \text{ CONS } E_2]] &= \lambda e. \text{let } x = (E[[E_2]]e) \text{ in cases } x \text{ of} \\ &\quad \text{isFunction}(f) \rightarrow \text{inError()} \\ &\quad [] \text{isList}(t) \rightarrow \text{inList}(E[[E_1]]e \text{ cons } t) \\ &\quad [] \text{isAtom}(a) \rightarrow \text{inError()} \\ &\quad [] \text{isError()} \rightarrow \text{inError()} \text{ end} \end{aligned}$$
$$\begin{aligned} E[[\text{HEAD } E]] &= \lambda e. \text{let } x = (E[[E]]e) \text{ in cases } x \text{ of} \\ &\quad \text{isFunction}(f) \rightarrow \text{inError()} \\ &\quad [] \text{isList}(t) \rightarrow (\text{null } t \rightarrow \text{inError()} [] (\text{hd } t)) \\ &\quad [] \text{isAtom}(a) \rightarrow \text{inError()} \\ &\quad [] \text{isError()} \rightarrow \text{inError()} \text{ end} \end{aligned}$$
$$\begin{aligned} E[[\text{TAIL } E]] &= . \text{let } x = (E[[E]]e) \text{ in cases } x \text{ of} \\ &\quad \text{isFunction}(f) \rightarrow \text{inError()} \\ &\quad [] \text{isList}(t) \rightarrow (\text{null } t \rightarrow \text{inError()} [] \text{inList}(\text{tl } t)) \\ &\quad [] \text{isAtom}(a) \rightarrow \text{inError()} \\ &\quad [] \text{isError()} \rightarrow \text{inError()} \text{ end} \end{aligned}$$
$$E[[\text{NIL}]] = \lambda e. \text{inList}(\text{nil})$$





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## Valuation Functions:

- $E: \text{Expression} \rightarrow \text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Expressible\_value}$

$$E[[I]] = \text{accessenv } [[I]]$$

$$E[[A]] = \lambda e. \text{inAtom}(\mathbf{A}[[A]])$$

$$E[[ (E) ]] = E[[E]]$$

- $\mathbf{A}: \text{Atomic-symbol} \rightarrow \text{Atom}$



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## Static Scoping

- The applicative language uses static scoping; that is, the context of a phrase is determined by its physical position in the program
- Consider (let  $a_0$  and  $a_1$  be atomic symbols):

$$\begin{aligned}
 &LET\ F = a_0\ IN \\
 &\quad LET\ F = LAMBDA\ (Z)\ F\ CONS\ Z\ IN \\
 &\quad\quad LET\ Z = a_1\ IN \\
 &\quad\quad\quad F(Z\ CONS\ NIL)
 \end{aligned}$$

**Note:** (let  $x = e_1$  in  $e_2$ ) for  $(\lambda x. e_2)e_1$

- The occurrence of the first  $F$  in the body of the function bound to the second  $F$  refers to the atom  $a_0$  – the function is not recursive. The meaning of the entire expression is the same as

$$(LAMBDA\ (Z)\ a_0\ CONS\ Z)\ (a_1\ CONS\ NIL)$$

which equals

$$(a_0\ CONS\ (a_1\ CONS\ NIL))$$



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## Dynamic Scoping

- An alternative to static scoping is dynamic scoping, where the context of a phrase is determined by the place(s) in the program where the phrase's value is required
- The most general form of dynamic scoping is macro definition and invocation. A definition  $LET\ I = E$  binds identifier  $I$  to the text  $E$ ;  $E$  is not assigned a context until its value is needed
- When  $I$ 's value is required, the context where  $I$  appears is used to acquire the text that is bound to it.  $I$  is replaced by the text, and the text is evaluated in the existing context
- The version of dynamic scoping found in LISP limits dynamic scoping just to LAMBDA forms. The semantics of  $[[LAMBDA\ (I)\ E]]$  shows that the construct is evaluated within the context of its application to an argument (and not within the context of its definition)



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## Semantic Algebras:

- *Function*

Domain:  $f \in \text{Function} = \text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Denotable\_value} \rightarrow \text{Denotable\_value}$

## Valuation Functions:

- **E**:  $\text{Expression} \rightarrow \text{Environment} \rightarrow \text{Expressible\_value}$

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- $\lambda$ -Calculus: Syntax
- $\lambda$ -Calculus: Semantics
- $\lambda$ -Calculus: Typed
- Programming Languages with  $\lambda$ 
  - Functional: Haskell, Scheme, Lisp, ML
  - Multi-Paradigm:  $\lambda$  in C++
- Type Systems
- Denotational Semantics
  - Definition
  - Relationship with Operational and Axiomatic Semantics
  - Semantics of Imperative Languages



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## ② Module 02: $\lambda$ -Calculus: Syntax

- ① Relations
- ② Functions
  - Composition
  - Currying
- ③  $\lambda$ -Calculus
  - Concept of  $\lambda$
- ④ Syntax
  - $\lambda$ -expressions
  - \* Notation
  - Examples
  - \* Simple
  - \* Composition
  - \* Boolean
  - \* Numerals
  - \* Recursion
  - \* Curried Functions
  - \* Higher Order Functions



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## ③ Module 03: $\lambda$ -Calculus: Semantics

### ① Semantics

- Free and Bound Variables
- Substitution
- Reduction
  - \*  $\alpha$ -Reduction
  - \*  $\beta$ -Reduction
  - \*  $\eta$ -Reduction
  - \*  $\delta$ -Reduction
- Order of Evaluation
  - \* Normal and Applicative Order





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## ④ Module 04: Typed $\lambda$ -Calculus

### ① $\Lambda \rightarrow$

- Type Expression
- Pre-Expression Expression
- Type-checking Rules
- \* Example
- \* Practice Problems

### ② $\Lambda_{rr}^{\rightarrow}$

- Types
- \* Tuple Type
- \* Record Type
- \* Sum Type
- \* Reference Type
- \* Array Type
- Type Expression
- Pre-Expression
- Type-checking Rules
- \* Derived Rules



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## 5 Module 05: $\lambda$ in C++

### 1 Functors

- Callable Entities
- Function Pointers
- \* Replace Switch / IF Statements
- \* Late Binding
- \* Virtual Function
- \* Callback
- \* Issues
- Basic Functors
- \* Elementary Example
- \* Examples from STL

### 2 $\lambda$ in C++

- $\lambda$  Expression
- Closure Object
- Examples
- \* Factorial
- \* Fibonacci
- \* Pipeline
- Curry Function

### 3 More on $\lambda$ in C++



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## ⑥ Module 06: Denotational Semantics of Imperative Languages

### ① Type Systems

- Type Error
- Type Safety
- Type Checking
- Type Inference

### ② Type Inference

- $\text{add } x = 2 + x$
- $\text{apply } (f, x) = f \ x$
- Inference Algorithm
- \* Unification

### ③ Examples

- sum
- length
- append
- Homework

### ④ Type Deduction in C++

- Polymorphism
- \* Ad-hoc
- \* Parametric
- \* Subtype
- C++11,...



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## 7 Module 07: Denotational Semantics

- ① Semantic Styles
- ② Syntax
- ③ Semantic Domains
  - Set, Functions, and Domains
  - \* Product
  - \* Sum
  - Rat
- ④ Semantic Algebras
  - Nat, Tr
  - String
  - Unit
  - Product Dom
  - Sum Dom
  - Lists
  - Function
  - Arrays
  - Lifted Domains
  - Recursive Fn
- ⑤ Denotational Definitions
  - Binary
  - Calculator



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