Homework 5: Semantics of Arithmetic Expressions

CIS 352: Programming Languages

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Administrivia

- You may work in pairs on this assignment.
- *However*, to get some practice for future quizzes, everyone should work on the first three problems on their own.
- For Part I, hand written answers are fine, but make them readable.
- For Part II, copy all the files in http://www.cis.syr.edu/courses/cis352/code/L1/ and use eval1.hs as your starter file.
- To turn Part I: Place your papers in the CIS 352 box on the 4th floor of SciTech by the due date.¹
- **To turn Part II:** Submit via Blackboard (*i*) the source files for Part II, (*ii*) the transcripts of test runs, and (*iii*) the cover sheet.

Part I: Problems on Paper

❖ Problem 1 (18 points) **❖**

Give a complete big-step derivation of each of the following.²

(a)
$$((1+2)*3) \downarrow 9$$

(b)
$$(1+(2*3)) \downarrow 7$$

(c)
$$(5 + ((6-2)*(3+4))) \downarrow 33$$
.

❖ *Problem 2* (18 points) **❖**

Give a complete small-step derivation of each transition below.²

(a)
$$((5-3)*2) \rightarrow (2*2)$$

(b)
$$((4+(7*2))/5) \rightarrow ((4+14)/5)$$

(c)
$$((12+((5-3)*2))*(8+1)) \rightarrow ((12+(2*2))*(8+1))$$

* Problem 3 (14 points) *

Give a complete transition sequence to a value for each of the following expressions.³

(a)
$$((6+(7*2))/5) \rightarrow *4$$

(b)
$$((12+((5-3)*2))*(8+1)) \rightarrow^* 144$$

Grading Criteria

- The homework is out of 100 points.
- Each programming problem is $\approx 70\%$ correctness and $\approx 30\%$ testing.
- Omitting your name(s) in the source code looses you 5 points.
- ¹ The papers are collected Saturday morning.

Fair warning: Questions like Problems 1, 2, and 3 *will* show up on quizzes.

² **Rules reference.** The big-step and small-step evaluation rules are given in Appendices on page 4. Unlike the rules on some of the class slides, the rules Appendices conflate numerals and integer-values to cut some clutter in derivations.

³ You *do not* need to give a small-step derivation for each step in the transition sequence

❖ Problem 4 (20 points) ❖

Suppose we add the following new sort of arithmetic expression to our language:

$$(E_1 ? E_2 : E_3)$$

This expression is based on the conditional expression from the C programming language, whose evaluation Kernighan and Ritchie describe as follows4:

In the expression

$$expr_1$$
? $expr_2$: $expr_3$

the expression $expr_1$ is evaluated first. If it is non-zero ..., then the expression *expr*₂ is evaluated, and that is the value of the conditional expression. Otherwise expr₃ is evaluated, and that is the value. Only one of expr₂ and expr₃ is evaluated.

- (a) Extend the definition of \downarrow to account for conditional expressions of this form.5
- **(b)** Using your new rule(s), give a formal derivation of:

$$((23+7)?(9-4):(3/0)) \downarrow 5$$

Explain why the evaluation does *not* cause a divide-by-zero error.

Part II: Programming Problems

This part consists of two modest extensions of eval in the eval1.hs file. You are responsible for a reasonable set of tests for both extensions.

❖ Problem 5 (10 points) ❖

- (a) (6 pts) Extend the definition of eval to handle division per the big step rules. Note that for (Div al a2), if all evaluates to v_1 and a2 evaluates to $v_2 \neq 0$, then the value of (Div a1 a2) should be (div v_1 v_2) where div is the standard Haskell integer division function. In the case were you have a division by o, supply your own error message.
- **(b)** (4 pts) Devise and run a reasonable set of tests for this extension.

⁴ Brian W. Kernighan and Dennis M. Ritchie. The C Programming Language, 2nd ed. Prentice Hall Software Series, 1988, page 51.

Example: $(10?6*5:17) \sim 30$ $(0?6*5:17) \sim 17$

⁵ Giant hint: Figure out how to fill in the blanks (i.e., the ???'s) in the partial definitions of COND₀ and COND₁ in Appendix A below.

- * Problem 6 (20 points) *
- (a) (12 pts) Extend the definition of eval to handle conditional expressions per your answer to Problem 4 above. Be sure that no division by o error occurs when evaluating either of:
 - (1 ? 10 : (1/0)) ● (0 ? (1/0) : 20))
- **(b)** (8 pts) Devise and run a reasonable set of tests for this extension.

Part III: Challenge Problems

- ♦ Challenge Problem 1: (No points, just glory). ♦ Provide reasonable small-step rules for conditional expressions.
- **②** Challenge Problem 2: (No points, just glory). **③** Automate the construction of small-step derivations and complete transition sequences.

Appendices

Reference: Big Step Rules

Key

a: an arithmetic expression v: a numeric value

PLUS:
$$\frac{a_{1} \Downarrow v_{1} \quad a_{2} \Downarrow v_{2}}{(a_{1} + a_{2}) \Downarrow v} \quad (v = v_{1} + v_{2})$$

$$MINUS: \frac{a_{1} \Downarrow v_{1} \quad a_{2} \Downarrow v_{2}}{(a_{1} - a_{2}) \Downarrow v} \quad (v = v_{1} - v_{2})$$

$$MULT: \frac{a_{1} \Downarrow v_{1} \quad a_{2} \Downarrow v_{2}}{(a_{1} * a_{2}) \Downarrow v} \quad (v = v_{1} * v_{2})$$

$$DIV: \frac{a_{1} \Downarrow v_{1} \quad a_{2} \Downarrow v_{2}}{(a_{1} / a_{2}) \Downarrow v} \quad \begin{pmatrix} v_{2} \neq 0 & & \\ v = |v_{1} / v_{2}| \end{pmatrix}$$

$$COND_{0}: \frac{???}{(a_{1} ? a_{2} : a_{3}) \Downarrow v} \quad (???)$$

$$COND_{1}: \frac{???}{(a_{1} ? a_{2} : a_{3}) \Downarrow v} \quad (???)$$

A sample big-step derivation

$$NUM: \frac{2 \Downarrow 2}{PLUS:} \frac{NUM: \frac{5 \Downarrow 5}{5 \Downarrow 5}}{MULT:} \frac{(2+5) \Downarrow 7}{((2+5)*13) \Downarrow 91} (7*13 = 91)$$

Reference: Small Step Rul

A sample small-step derivation

A sample complete small-step transition sequence

$$((6+(8-3))*(5-2)) \rightarrow ((6+5)*(5-2)) \rightarrow 11*(5-2) \rightarrow 11*3 \rightarrow 33$$