Mechanising Recursion Schemes with Magic-Free Coq Extraction

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Background

Hylomorphisms

Fold over Lists

One way to guarantee **recursive functions** are **well-defined** is via **Recursion Schemes**.

```
foldr :: (a -> b -> b) -> b -> [a] -> b
foldr g b [] = b
foldr g b (x : xs) = g x (foldr g b xs)
```

There are many different kinds of Recursion Schemes (e.g. Folds, Paramorphisms, Unfolds, Apomorphisms, . . .)

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Least Fixed-Point

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Adjoint Folds

Given an adjunction:

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\begin{tikzcd}
\mathcal{D} \arrow[r, bend right, "R"'] \arrow[r, phantom, "\perp"] & \mathcal{C} \arrow[l, bend right, "L"']
\end{tikzcd}
$$

- There is a correspondence of arrows $\lfloor\cdot\rfloor$: $\mathsf{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}}(L\,A, B) \cong \mathsf{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(A, R\,B)$: $\lceil\cdot\rceil$.
- An initial algebra on the right corresponds to an universal property on the left:

$$\mathsf{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}}(L\,\mu F, B) \cong \mathsf{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(\mu F, R\,B)$$

μ analogous to Haskell's `Fix`
F is an endofunctor in $\mathcal{C}$
L, R are functors between $\mathcal{C}$ & $\mathcal{D}$; the *left* and *right* adjoints.

Conjugate Hylomorphisms

Every recursion scheme is a conjugate hylomorphism

recursion scheme	*adjunction*	*conjugates*	*para-hylo equation*	*algebra*
(hylo-shift law)	$\mathsf{Id} \dashv \mathsf{Id}$	$\alpha \dashv \alpha$	$x = a \cdot (id \vartriangle \mathsf{D}\, x \cdot \alpha\, C \cdot c) \;:\; A \leftarrow C$	$a : C \times \mathsf{D}\, A \to A$
mutual recursion	$\Delta \dashv (\times)$	ccf	$x_1 = a_1 \cdot (id \vartriangle \mathsf{D}\, (x_1 \vartriangle x_2) \cdot c) \;:\; A_1 \leftarrow C$ $x_2 = a_2 \cdot (id \vartriangle \mathsf{D}\, (x_1 \vartriangle x_2) \cdot c) \;:\; A_2 \leftarrow C$	$a_1 : C \times \mathsf{D}\, (A_1 \times A_2) \to A_1$ $a_2 : C \times \mathsf{D}\, (A_1 \times A_2) \to A_2$
accumulator	$- \times P \dashv (-)^P$	ccf	$x = a \cdot (outl \vartriangle ((\mathsf{D}\, (\Lambda\, x) \cdot c) \times P)) \;:\; A \leftarrow C \times P$	$a : C \times \mathsf{D}\, (A^P) \times P \to A$
course-of-values (§5.6)	$\mathsf{U}_{\mathsf{D}} \dashv \mathsf{Cofree}_{\mathsf{D}}$	ccf	$x = a \cdot (id \vartriangle \mathsf{D}\, (\mathsf{D}_\infty\, x \cdot [\![c]\!]) \cdot c) \;:\; A \leftarrow C$	$a : C \times \mathsf{D}\, (\mathsf{D}_\infty\, A) \to A$
finite memo-table (§5.6)	$\mathsf{U}_* \dashv \mathsf{Cofree}_*$	ccf	$x = a \cdot (id \vartriangle \mathsf{D}\, (\mathsf{D}_*\, x \cdot [\![c]\!]_*) \cdot c) \;:\; A \leftarrow C$	$a : C \times \mathsf{D}\, (\mathsf{D}_*\, A) \to A$

Table 1. Different types of para-hylos building on the canonical control functor (ccf); the coalgebra is $c : C \to \mathsf{D}\, C$ in each case.

R. Hinze, N. Wu, J. Gibbons: **Conjugate Hylomorphisms - Or: The Mother of All Structured Recursion Schemes**. POPL 2015.

Why Mechanising Hylomorphisms in Coq?

- Structured Recursion Schemes have been used in Haskell to structure functional programs, but they do not ensure termination/productivity
- On the other hand, Coq does not capture all recursive definitions
- The benefits of formalising hylos in Coq is three fold:
  - Giving the Coq programmer a **library** where for most recursion schemes they do not have to prove termination properties
  - **Extracting code** into ML/Haskell to provide termination guarantees even in languages with non-termination
  - Using the laws of hylomorphisms as tactics for **program calculation** and **optimisation**

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3. **Containers** & **recursive coalgebras**

Roadmap

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Part II: Recursive Coalgebras & Coq Hylomorphisms
Part III: Code Extraction & Examples

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Wrap-up