

# CS 520

## Theory of Programming Language

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## Chap 2 : The Simple Imperative Language.

### 1. Overview / Motivation.

① Many high-level design principles for PL.

... imperative comp.

state ... variables.

computation proceeds  
by read/write of  
variables.

applicative comp.

function application.  
as a main mechanism  
for computation.

OO principle ...

- ②  $y := 0; x := 0; \left( \text{while } (x < n) \text{ do } (y := y + x) \right) ; (x := x + 1) \quad \dots \text{example.}$
- ③ Domain theory.  $\dots$  denotational semantics in the presence of while. (while true do skip)

Syntactic sugar.

Quality of denotational semantics. (Soundness, Full abstraction, adequacy)

2. Syntax. .... abstract syntax, abstract grammar.

$\langle \text{intexp} \rangle ::= \dots \mid \langle \text{var} \rangle \mid \dots$

$\langle \text{boolexp} \rangle ::= \dots \mid \langle \text{intexp} \rangle = \langle \text{intexp} \rangle \mid \neg \langle \text{boolexp} \rangle \mid \dots$

$\langle \text{comm} \rangle ::= \text{skip} \mid \langle \text{var} \rangle := \langle \text{intexp} \rangle \mid \langle \text{comm} \rangle ; \langle \text{comm} \rangle$   
| if  $\langle \text{boolexp} \rangle$  then  $\langle \text{comm} \rangle$  else  $\langle \text{comm} \rangle$   
| while  $\langle \text{boolexp} \rangle$  do  $\langle \text{comm} \rangle$ .

Syntax-directed def. structural induction all available because we  
are initial algebras / finite derivation trees.

3. Denotational semantics ... What is a potential issue?

$$\llbracket - \rrbracket : \langle \text{comm} \rangle \rightarrow S$$

$$\llbracket \text{while } b \text{ do } c \rrbracket = \llbracket \text{if } b \text{ then } (c; \text{while } b \text{ do } c) \text{ else skip} \rrbracket.$$

$$= \dots \llbracket \text{while } b \text{ do } c \rrbracket \dots \llbracket \text{while } b \text{ do } c \rrbracket \dots$$

$$= F(\llbracket \text{while } b \text{ do } c \rrbracket).$$

" is a fixed point of the function  $F$ .

$$g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

$$g(x) = x + 1.$$

... no fixed point.

can be defined by a program.

⋮

domain theory.

... approx. theory  
of computability.  
that focuses on  
the limit of communication.

( in order to produce  
a finite amount of inf.  
in the output, a program  
only needs a finite  
amount of inf. in the  
input. ).

4. Domain theory. .... when does a function  $F$  have a fixed point?

① High-level heuristic.

- Set with some structure,  $\sqsubseteq$ . .... approx. order.
- Functions between such sets that preserve this structure.

② Definitions. .... structure.

Def. A partial order on a set  $S$  is a binary relation  $\sqsubseteq$  on  $S$  s.t.  
( $\sqsubseteq \subseteq S \times S$ )

1) (reflexive)  $x \sqsubseteq x$  for all  $x \in S$ ;  
( $(x, x) \in \sqsubseteq$ ).

2) (transitive)  $x \sqsubseteq y \wedge y \sqsubseteq z \Rightarrow x \sqsubseteq z$  for all  $x, y, z \in S$ ;

3) (anti-symmetry)  $x \sqsubseteq y \wedge y \sqsubseteq x \Rightarrow x = y$  for all  $x, y \in S$ .

A set  $S$  with a partial order  $\sqsubseteq$  is called poset or partially ordered set.

examples. (a)  $\{ \perp, \top \}$ ,  $\perp \sqsubseteq \perp, \top \sqsubseteq \top, \perp \sqsubseteq \top$  ...  $\top$

(b)  $\mathbb{N}^T =$



domain

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_0 \sqsubseteq x_1 \sqsubseteq x_2 \sqsubseteq \dots \\ \perp \sqsubseteq \perp \sqsubseteq \perp \sqsubseteq \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$0 \sqsubseteq 1 \sqsubseteq 2 \sqsubseteq \dots$$

$$(3 \sqsubseteq 3 \sqsubseteq 3 \sqsubseteq \dots)$$

Ex ① which one is a pre-domain?  
which one is a domain?

② find a way to  
convert it to  
a pre-domain or  
domain

pre-domain

(c)  $\mathbb{Z} = \dots -3 -2 -1 0 1 2 \dots$

$(x \sqsubseteq y \text{ iff } x=y)$

$[x_0 \sqsubseteq x_1 \sqsubseteq x_2 \sqsubseteq \dots \dots \text{lub} = x_0]$   
 $x_0 = x_1 = x_2 = x_3 \dots$   
... discrete partial order.

(d)  $\mathbb{Z}_1 = \dots -3 -2 -1 0 1 2 \dots$

domain

$\langle \rangle \sqsubseteq \langle 1 \rangle \sqsubseteq \langle 1, 2 \rangle \sqsubseteq \langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle \sqsubseteq \dots$

(e)  $\mathbb{Z}^{\star \omega} = \{ \langle \rangle, \langle 1 \rangle, \langle 2, 3 \rangle, \langle 4, 1, 2 \rangle, \dots \}$

$\alpha \sqsubseteq \beta \text{ iff } \alpha \text{ is a prefix of } \beta$

$\langle 1, 2 \rangle \sqsubseteq \langle 1, 2, 3, 1 \rangle$        $\langle 1, 2 \rangle \not\sqsubseteq \langle 2, 3, 1 \rangle$

\* method for checking  
whether  $(\Sigma, \sqsubseteq)$  is  
a pre-domain  
non-  
... existence of  
interesting chain

$[x_1 \sqsubseteq x_2 \sqsubseteq x_3 \sqsubseteq x_4 \sqsubseteq x_5 \sqsubseteq x_6]$   
 $x_4$

domain

(f)  $2^{\mathbb{Z}} (= P(\mathbb{Z})) = \{ \{1, 2, 3\}, \{-1, -4\}, \mathbb{Z}, \text{odd}, \dots \}$

$\bigcup_n x_n = \bigcup_n x_n$

$A \sqsubseteq B \text{ iff } A \subseteq B$

Def. A poset  $(S, \leq)$  is a prelattice if every chain<sup>in S.</sup> has the least upper bound.

key  
players.

$(P, \leq)$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} (x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} = (x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots) \\ \text{s.t. } x_0 \leq x_1 \leq x_2 \dots \end{array} \right]$$

$$\bigsqcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} x_n = \bigsqcup_{n=0}^{\infty} x_n = y \in S$$

- s.t. 1)  $x_n \leq y$  for all  $n$ .  
 2)  $\forall y' \in S$ .  
 if  $x_n \leq y'$  for all  $n$ ,  
 then  $y \leq y'$ .

A prelattice  $(S, \leq)$  is a lattice  $(D, \leq)$

if it has the least element, which we denote by 1.

$$(\perp \leq x \text{ for all } x \in S.)$$



Def  
=

$(P_1, \sqsubseteq), (P_2, \sqsubseteq) \dots$  predomains.

$f: P_1 \rightarrow P_2$ .

①  $f$  is monotone if it preserves <sup>the</sup>  $\sqsubseteq$  relation.

$$\left( \forall x_1, x_2 \in P_1. \quad x_1 \sqsubseteq_{P_1} x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) \sqsubseteq_{P_2} f(x_2) \right)$$

② When  $f$  is monotone, we say that  $f$  is continuous if.

it preserves the least upper bound of every chain in  $P_1$ .

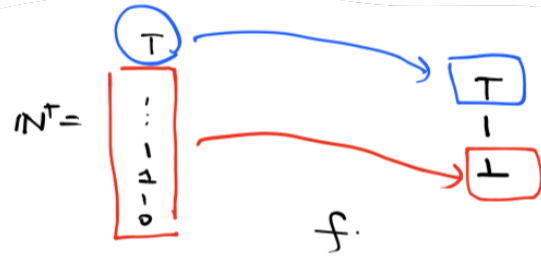
$\left( \forall \text{chain } (x_n)_n \text{ in } P_1 \quad \dots x_0 \sqsubseteq x_1 \sqsubseteq x_2 \sqsubseteq \dots \right.$   
the chain  $(f(x_n))_n$  in  $P_2$  has  $f(\bigsqcup_n x_n)$  as its  
least upper bound.

$$f(\bigsqcup_n x_n) = \bigsqcup_n f(x_n) \quad \left. \right)$$

③ Suppose  $(P_1, \sqsubseteq_1), (P_2, \sqsubseteq_2)$  are domains.

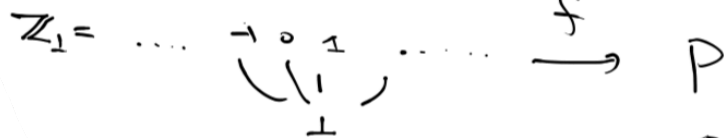
A function  $f: P_1 \rightarrow P_2$  is strict if  $f(\perp_1) = \perp_2$ .

e.g.



$f$ .

$\hookrightarrow$  monotone



$\tau$  predomant

$f$  is not continuous.

$x_0=0, x_1=2, x_2=4, x_3=6, \dots$

$$\begin{cases} \bigcup_n x_n = T & f(\bigcup_n x_n) = f(T) = T \\ f(x_n) = f(2n) = 1. & \bigcup_n f(x_n) = \bigcup_n 1 = 1 \end{cases}$$

$\leadsto f$  is automatically cont.

$$f(\bigcup_n x_n) \stackrel{?}{=} \bigcup_n f(x_n).$$

absence of interesting chains.

$$\begin{aligned} &\rightarrow \underbrace{\quad}_{\parallel} f(x_{m_0}) \subseteq \bigcup_n f(x_n) \\ &\quad \uparrow \\ &\text{mono.} \end{aligned}$$

$$f(\bigcup_n x_n) \supseteq \bigcup_n f(x_n)$$

true for all mono. fns.

(f.)

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} x_m \subseteq \bigcup_n x_n \\ f(x_m) \subseteq f(\underbrace{\bigcup_n x_n}_{\text{upper bound.}}) \text{ for all } m \\ \bigcup_m f(x_m) \subseteq f(\bigcup_n x_n). \end{array} \right)$$

Thm [Least Fixed Point Thm].

$(D, \sqsubseteq, \perp)$  .... domain

$f: D \rightarrow D$  ... continuous fn.

$\Rightarrow \exists x \in D$  st. 1)  $f(x) = x$

2)  $\forall y. f(y) = y \Rightarrow x \sqsubseteq y.$

$x$  is the least fixed point of  $f$ .

Pro. 5. We construct  $\alpha$  as follows.

①.  $\underbrace{1 \sqsubseteq f(1)}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{true.}}} \sqsubseteq \underbrace{f^2(1)}_{f \text{ is mono.}} \sqsubseteq \dots \dots \text{chain } \underbrace{(f^n(1))_n}_{\dots 1.}$

② least upper bound  $\underbrace{\alpha = \bigsqcup_n f^n(1)}_{\text{Yes.}} \quad \text{lub. } \underbrace{(f^{n+1}(1))_n}_{\vdots}$

Is  $\alpha$  a fixed point?

$$\begin{aligned} f(\alpha) &= f\left(\bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} f^n(1)\right) \\ &= \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} f(f^n(1)) = \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} f^{n+1}(1) \\ &= \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} f^n(1) = \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

least? Pick  $y \in D$  st.  $f(y) = y$ .

$y$  is  $\downarrow_{\text{an.}}$  upper bound of  $(f^n(1))_n$ .

$$1 \sqsubseteq y.$$

$$f(1) \sqsubseteq f(y) = y.$$

$$f^2(1) \sqsubseteq f(y) = y.$$

Since  $\alpha$  is the least up. bound of the chain,

$$\alpha \sqsubseteq y$$

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