Simplifying Memory Management by Sharing Immutable Succinct Memory Images of Isomorphic Data Objects

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What can 2012 succinctly encode? [1,0,1,1,1,0,1,1,1,1]

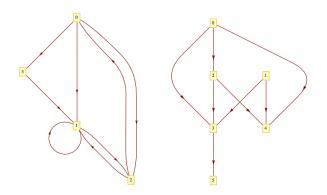


Figure: 2012: as a digraph and as a DAG

What else can 2012 succinctly encode?

a set: [2,3,4,6,7,8,9,10]

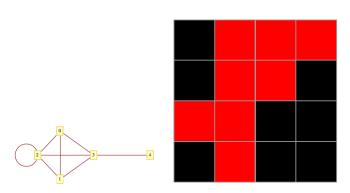


Figure: 2012: as a graph and as a binary relation

What else can 2012 succinctly encode?

a hypergraph: [[0,1],[2],[0,2],[0,1,2],[3],[0,3],[1,3],[0,1,3]]

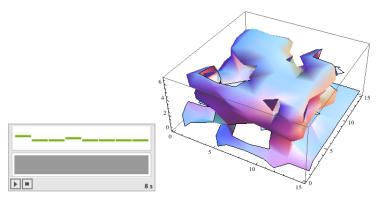


Figure: 2012: as a sound track and as a shape

What else can 2012 succinctly encode?

DNA: [Adenine, Thymine, Cytosine, Thymine, Thymine, Cytosine]

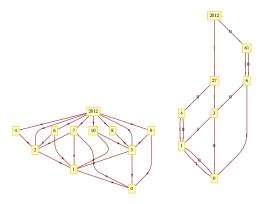


Figure: 2012: as DAGs representing a rose tree and a binary tree



The Idea Itself

- from Gödel's theorems: unique natural numbers are associated to formulas and proofs
- from combinatorics: ranking/unranking bijections between trees, graphs etc. and natural numbers
- succinct representations a lot of things fit in a few bits as shown in the previous slides

 \Rightarrow

- share a unique succinct memory image independently of what it represents externally
- this assumes that the image is immutable and the clients know what it means to them - for instance by keeping track of types
- note that objects fitting in a word are (obviously) just copied
- larger objects point to their smaller parts in the monotonically growing store of immutable objects

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Building such isomorphisms in a principled way

How to build these isomorphisms? 150 pages of literate Haskell at:

- http://logic.csci.unt.edu/tarau/research/2010/ISO.pdf
- http://logic.csci.unt.edu/tarau/research/2010/ISO.hs
- a few of them of them, this time in Java at:

http://logic.csci.unt.edu/tarau/research/bijectiveNSF/

Just in case - various tree types can also be used for *arbitrary size arithmetic computations*, see PPDP'10 paper - draft at:

http://logic.csci.unt.edu/tarau/research/2010/tarau_ppdp2010_draft.pdf

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