

## Program constructs - examples

**Exercise 1** Let  $A = [1..6]$  be the common base-statespace of the following programs  $S_1, S_2 \subseteq A \times (\bar{A} \cup \{fail\})^{**}$ :

$$S_1 = \left\{ \begin{array}{lll} 1 \rightarrow \langle 1, 4, 3 \rangle & 1 \rightarrow \langle 1, 2, 4 \rangle & 2 \rightarrow \langle 2, 2, \dots \rangle \\ 2 \rightarrow \langle 2, 1, 4, 6 \rangle & 3 \rightarrow \langle 3, 5, 1 \rangle & 4 \rightarrow \langle 4, 5, 3 \rangle \\ 5 \rightarrow \langle 5, 1, fail \rangle & 6 \rightarrow \langle 6, 3, 1, 5 \rangle & \end{array} \right\}$$

$$S_2 = \left\{ \begin{array}{lll} 1 \rightarrow \langle 1, 3, 2 \rangle & 1 \rightarrow \langle 1, 2, 4 \rangle & 2 \rightarrow \langle 2, 6 \rangle \\ 3 \rightarrow \langle 3, 4 \rangle & 4 \rightarrow \langle 4, fail \rangle & 4 \rightarrow \langle 4, 5, 1 \rangle \\ 5 \rightarrow \langle 5 \rangle & 6 \rightarrow \langle 6, 4, 3, 2 \rangle & \end{array} \right\}$$

- Determine the sequence  $(S_1; S_2)$ .

*Informally: Briefly saying we get the sequence of two programs by executing the two programs after each other: first we execute  $S_1$ , then we execute  $S_2$ . Program  $S_1$  can assign three different kind of sequences to an arbitrary state  $a$ : an infinite sequence, a finite sequence ending in the fail state, or a finite sequence ending in a state of  $A$ . In the first two cases program  $S_2$  cannot do anything: in case program  $S_1$  assigned an infinite sequence to state  $a$  or a finite sequence with the last element fail, then the sequence  $(S_1; S_2)$  assigns the same sequence to the given state  $a$ .*

*In the third case, we concatenate two sequences but not repeat the joint element: the first sequence ( $\alpha$ ) is finite and assigned to state  $a$  by  $S_1$ , the second sequence ( $\beta$ ) is assigned to the last element of  $\alpha$  by program  $S_2$ .*

$$(S_1; S_2) = \left\{ \begin{array}{lll} 1 \rightarrow \langle 1, 4, 3, 4 \rangle & 1 \rightarrow \langle 1, 2, 4, fail \rangle & 1 \rightarrow \langle 1, 2, 4, 5, 1 \rangle \\ 2 \rightarrow \langle 2, 2, \dots \rangle & 2 \rightarrow \langle 2, 1, 4, 6, 4, 3, 2 \rangle & \\ 3 \rightarrow \langle 3, 5, 1, 3, 2 \rangle & 3 \rightarrow \langle 3, 5, 1, 2, 4 \rangle & 4 \rightarrow \langle 4, 5, 3, 4 \rangle \\ 5 \rightarrow \langle 5, 1, fail \rangle & 6 \rightarrow \langle 6, 3, 1, 5 \rangle & \end{array} \right\}$$

- Let  $\pi_1, \pi_2 \in A \rightarrow \mathbb{L}$  be logical functions such that  
 $\pi_1 = \{(1, true), (2, true), (4, true), (5, false), (6, false)\}$  and  
 $\pi_2 = \{(1, true), (2, false), (3, true), (4, true), (5, false)\}$ .

Determine the selection  $(\pi_1:S_1, \pi_2:S_2)$ .

*The selection assigns the sequence  $\langle a, fail \rangle$  to state  $a$ , in case both the  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$  conditions are false for  $a$  or none of them is defined for  $a$ . In this case, the sequence  $\langle a, fail \rangle$  is the only sequence assigned to state  $a$ .*

*In case  $\pi_i$  holds in state  $a$ , then the selection assigns all the sequences to  $a$  that are assigned to  $a$  by the program  $S_i$ . If  $\pi_i$  is not defined for the state  $a$ , then the selection assigns the sequence  $\langle a, fail \rangle$  to  $a$  (in order to indicate that there is an error when evaluating condition  $\pi_i$  for the state  $a$ ).*

*Be careful: in the exercise  $\pi_1$  intentionally do not assign anything to 3, that means logical function  $\pi_1$  is not defined in the state 3. This is the reason why the logical functions are not defined by their truth set, the fact*

that  $\pi_1$  is not true for a state  $a$  would not imply that  $\neg\pi_1(a)$ ; the function can be neither true or false in state  $a$ .

As in our case for state 1 both  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$  are satisfied,  $IF(1) = S_1(1) \cup S_2(1)$  holds. Let us investigate for every state  $a$ , which one of the two conditions holds for  $a$ . To the state 5, the selection assigns the sequence  $\langle 5, fail \rangle$ , as both conditions are false for 5. In case of state 6, there is only one possible execution generated by the selection, that is the sequence  $\langle 6, fail \rangle$ ; since  $\pi_1$  is defined in 6 but evaluates to false, and  $\pi_2$  is not defined for the state 6.

$$IF = \left\{ \begin{array}{lll} 1 \rightarrow \langle 1, 4, 3 \rangle & 1 \rightarrow \langle 1, 2, 4 \rangle & 1 \rightarrow \langle 1, 3, 2 \rangle \\ 2 \rightarrow \langle 2, 2, \dots \rangle & 2 \rightarrow \langle 2, 1, 4, 6 \rangle & \\ 3 \rightarrow \langle 3, fail \rangle & 3 \rightarrow \langle 3, 4 \rangle & \\ 4 \rightarrow \langle 4, 5, 3 \rangle & 4 \rightarrow \langle 4, fail \rangle & 4 \rightarrow \langle 4, 5, 1 \rangle \\ 5 \rightarrow \langle 5, fail \rangle & & \\ 6 \rightarrow \langle 6, fail \rangle & & \end{array} \right\}$$

**Exercise 2** Let  $A = [1..5]$ ,  $S_0 \subseteq A \times (\bar{A} \cup \{fail\})^{**}$  be programs, and  $\pi: A \rightarrow \mathbb{L}$  such that  $\lceil \pi \rceil = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .

$$S_0 = \left\{ \begin{array}{lll} 1 \rightarrow \langle 1, 2, 4 \rangle & 2 \rightarrow \langle 2 \rangle & 3 \rightarrow \langle 3, 4, 2 \rangle \\ 3 \rightarrow \langle 3, 5 \rangle & 3 \rightarrow \langle 3, 3, 3, \dots \rangle & 4 \rightarrow \langle 4, 5, 3, 4 \rangle \\ 4 \rightarrow \langle 4, 1, 3 \rangle & 5 \rightarrow \langle 5, 5, \dots \rangle & \end{array} \right\}$$

Determine the loop  $(\pi, S_0)$ . We denote this loop by  $DO$ , whereas  $S_0$  denotes the loop body and  $\pi$  denotes the loop condition, respectively.

*Informally:*

Let us start the execution of the loop from state 1. As the loop condition is true for 1, it is guaranteed that we reach the state 4 by executing the loop body once (as only the sequence  $\langle 1, 2, 4 \rangle$  is assigned to the state 1 by the loop body  $S_0$ ). From the state 4, there are two possible ways to continue the execution of the loop (recall: the loop can stop only in the state 5, as 5 is the only state where  $\pi$  is defined but false): we end up in the state 3 (due to the sequence  $\langle 4, 1, 3 \rangle$  assigned to 4 by the loop body; or we end up in 4 again due to the sequence  $\langle 4, 5, 3, 4 \rangle$ ). Notice, the fact that the loop body can take us from the state 4 to the state 4, we are enabled to execute the loop body in the same way infinite number of times (by traversing the states 5 and 3 and reaching the state 4 again); or after executing the loop body finite number of times, we choose the sequence  $\langle 4, 1, 3 \rangle$  and continue the execution in a different way.

Let  $\langle (4, 5, 3)^\infty \rangle$  denote the execution, where starting from the state 4, after executing the loop body once, we reach the state 4 again; that means we repeat the traverse of states 4, 5 and 3 (in this order) infinite number of times.

$\langle (4, 5, 3)^k 4, 1, 3, 5 \rangle$   $k \in \mathbb{N}^+$  denotes the execution, where starting from the state 4, the states 4, 5 and 3 traversed recurrently infinite number of times ( $k$ ), then from the state 4 the execution continues according to the sequence  $\langle 4, 1, 3 \rangle$  (that is assigned to the state 4 by the body of the loop). Moreover, as the sequence  $\langle 3, 5 \rangle$  is assigned to 3 by the loop body, the loop stops in the state 5.

Notice that by allowing the case when  $k = 0$ , the case when the sequence  $\langle 4, 1, 3, 5 \rangle$  is assigned to 4 by the loop is covered as well.

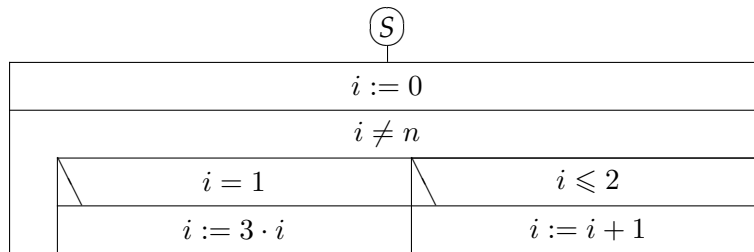
$$DO = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 \rightarrow \langle 1, 2, 4, (5, 3, 4) \infty \rangle \\ 1 \rightarrow \langle 1, 2, 4, (5, 3, 4)k, 1, 3, 5 \rangle k \in \mathbb{N} \\ 1 \rightarrow \langle 1, 2, 4, (5, 3, 4)l, 1, 3, 4, 2, \dots \rangle l \in \mathbb{N} \\ 1 \rightarrow \langle 1, 2, 4, (5, 3, 4)m, 1, 3, 3, 3, 3, \dots \rangle m \in \mathbb{N} \\ 2 \rightarrow \langle 2, 2, \dots \rangle \\ 3 \rightarrow \langle 3, 4, 2, \dots \rangle \\ 3 \rightarrow \langle 3, 5 \rangle \\ 3 \rightarrow \langle 3, 3, 3, \dots \rangle \\ 4 \rightarrow \langle 4, 5, 3 \rangle \infty \\ 4 \rightarrow \langle 4, 5, 3 \rangle g, 4, 1, 3, 4, 2, \dots \rangle g \in \mathbb{N} \\ 4 \rightarrow \langle 4, 5, 3 \rangle i, 4, 1, 3, 5 \rangle i \in \mathbb{N} \\ 4 \rightarrow \langle 4, 5, 3 \rangle j, 4, 1, 3, 3, \dots \rangle j \in \mathbb{N} \\ 5 \rightarrow \langle 5 \rangle \end{array} \right.$$

**Exercise 3**  $A = (i : \mathbb{N}_0, n : \mathbb{N}_0)$

Write down the sequences that are assigned to the states

- $(1, 3)$  and
- $(4, 6)$

by the following  $S$  program.



Our  $S$  program is a sequence constructed from an assignment  $i := 0$  and a loop. The loop will stop if its loopcondition becomes false, that is when  $i$  and  $n$  are equal.

The semantics of sequence and loop is well known, however we defined the meaning of selection in a different way than it is common in programming languages like JAVA or C++. In our mathematical model, non-determinism is allowed. Particularly, if there are more branches of a selection where the conditions are all true for a given state in the statespace, then we do not select one branch from them according a special rule, instead, it is allowed to take any branch where the corresponding condition is true

For example, when  $i$  equals to 1, then both the conditions  $i = 1$  and  $i \leq 2$  are true, we do not prefer any of the corresponding programs, both  $i := i \cdot 3$  and  $i := i + 1$  can be executed starting from the state where the value of variable  $i$  is 1.

*Another difference in our model compared to programming languages, that if none of the conditions of a selection is true for a given state, then the selection aborts at the given state.*

*For example, when  $i$  equals to 3 then neither  $i = 1$  nor  $i \leq 2$  is true, the selection aborts starting from a state where the value of variable  $i$  is 3.*

*A program is a relation that assigns sequences to every state in the statespace. All the sequences assigned to any state start with the same state they are assigned to. Our  $S$  program maps sequences to every state of the statespace such that the elements of the sequences are states of  $A$  (i.e. the elements of the sequences are pairs).*

*The assignment  $i := 0$  takes us from a state  $(i, n)$  to a state where  $i$  is set to 0 and  $n$  is unchanged, that is  $(0, n)$ . There are two sequences assigned to the state  $(1, 3)$ :*

*$\langle (1, 3), (0, 3), (1, 3), (3, 3) \rangle$  and  $\langle (1, 3), (0, 3), (1, 3), (2, 3), (3, 3) \rangle$*

*Notice that the reason why two sequences are assigned to  $(1, 3)$  is, that when we are in the state  $(1, 3)$ , then both the conditions  $i = 1$  and  $i \leq 2$  are true, there are two possible ways how we can continue the execution of the program. In the state  $(3, 3)$  the loop stops, as its loopcondition becomes false.*

*There are two sequences assigned to the state  $(4, 6)$ :*

*$\langle (4, 6), (0, 6), (1, 6), (3, 6), fail \rangle$  and  $\langle (4, 6), (0, 6), (1, 6), (2, 6), (3, 6), fail \rangle$*

*Notice that the reason why these sequences terminates in the special fail state is, that in the state  $(3, 6)$  neither the conditions  $i = 1$  and nor  $i \leq 2$  is true, the selection (the body of the loop) aborts.*