

An Agda proof of the correctness of Valiant's algorithm for CF parsing

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- Multiplying together gives

$$X_1 = X_{UU} X_1 + X_1 X_{LU} + X_{UR} X_3 + C_1$$

$$X_2 = X_{UU} X_2 + X_2 X_{LL} + X_{UR} X_4 + X_1 X_{LR} + C_2$$

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 \text{overlap (tri } U_1' R_1' L_1') \text{ (quad } A B C D) & \\
 &\quad (\text{tri } U_2' R_2' L_2') = \text{quad } A' B' \\
 &\quad \quad \quad C' D'
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 C' &= \text{overlap } L_1' C U_2' \\
 A' &= \text{overlap } U_1' (A + R_1' * C') U_2' \\
 D' &= \text{overlap } L_1' (D + C' * R_2') L_2' \\
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valiant : $\forall \{n\} \rightarrow \text{Tri } n \rightarrow \text{Tri } n$

valiant zer = zer

valiant (tri U R L) = tri U^+ (overlap U^+ R L^+) L^+

where $U^+ = \text{valiant } U$

$L^+ = \text{valiant } L$

- Equality:

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- To prove the correctness, find an element of type

$$\forall \{n\} \{C : \text{Tri } n\} \rightarrow$$
$$(\text{valiant } C) \approx (\text{valiant } C) * (\text{valiant } C) + C$$

Sketch of proof:

- We pattern match on the Tri.
 - zer, should have type

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- tri, we get that the overlap function should satisfy

$$R' \approx U * R' + R' * L + R,$$

but this was the specification we used to derive it.

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