Functional Programming + Verification

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0 General

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1 Correctness of Programs

- Programmers make mistakes !?
- Programming errors can be expensive, e.g., when a rocket explodes or a vital business system is down for hours ...
- Some systems must not have errors, e.g., control software of planes, signaling equipment of trains, airbags of cars ...

Problem

How can it be guaranteed that a program behaves as it should behave?
Approaches

- Careful engineering during software development
- Systematic testing
  - formal process model (Software Engineering)
- proof of correctness
  - verification

Tool: assertions
public class Count {
    public static void main (String[] args) {
        int x; x = 0;
        while (x < 100)
            x = x+1;
        assert(x == 100);
        write(x);
    }  // End of definition of main();
  }  // End of definition of class Count;
public class GCD {
    public static void main (String[] args) {
        int x, y, a, b;
        a = read(); x = a;
        b = read(); y = b;
        while (x != y)
            if (x > y) x = x - y;
            else y = y - x;
        assert(x == y);
        write(x);
    } // End of definition of main();
} // End of definition of class GCD;
The static method `assert()` expects a Boolean argument.

During normal program execution, every call `assert(e);` is ignored.

If Java is launched with the option: `-ea` (enable assertions), the calls of `assert` are evaluated:

- If the argument expression yields `true`, program execution continues.
- If the argument expression yields `false`, the error `AssertionError` is thrown.
The run-time check should evaluate a property of the program state when reaching a particular program point.

The check should by no means change the program state (significantly) !!! Otherwise, the behavior of the observed system differs from the unobserved system ???

In order to check properties of complicated data-structures, it is recommended to realize distinct inspector classes whose objects allow to inspect the data-structure without interference  !
Problem

- In general, there are many program executions ...
- Validity of assertions can be checked by the Java run-time only for a specific execution at a time.

We require a general method in order to **guarantee** that a given assertion is valid ...
1.1 Program Verification

Robert W Floyd, Stanford U. (1936 – 2001)
Simplification

For the moment, we consider MiniJava only:
- only a single static method, namely, main
- only int variables
- only if and while.

Idea
- We annotate each program point with an assertion !
- At every program point, we argue that the assertion is valid ...
  $\Rightarrow$ logic
1.2 Background: Logic

Aristoteles, 384–322 BC, Athens
Assertion:  “All humans are mortal”,
“Socrates is a human”,  “Socrates is mortal”

\[ \forall x. \text{human}(x) \Rightarrow \text{mortal}(x) \]
human(Socrates), mortal(Socrates)

Deduction: If \( \forall x. P(x) \) holds, then also \( P(a) \) for a specific \( a \) !
If \( A \Rightarrow B \) und \( A \) holds, then \( B \) must hold as well !

Tautology: \( A \lor \neg A \)
\[ \forall x \in \mathbb{Z}. x < 0 \lor x = 0 \lor x > 0 \]
Laws:
\[ \neg \neg A \equiv A \quad \text{double negation} \]
\[ A \land A \equiv A \quad \text{idempotence} \]
\[ A \lor A \equiv A \quad \text{idempotence} \]
\[ \neg (A \lor B) \equiv \neg A \land \neg B \quad \text{De Morgan} \]
\[ \neg (A \land B) \equiv \neg A \lor \neg B \]
\[ A \land (B \lor C) \equiv (A \land B) \lor (A \land C) \quad \text{distributivity} \]
\[ A \lor (B \land C) \equiv (A \lor B) \land (A \lor C) \]
\[ A \lor (B \land A) \equiv A \quad \text{absorption} \]
\[ A \land (B \lor A) \equiv A \]
\[ A \land (B \lor A) \equiv A \]
The Count Example

x = 0;

x < 100

write(x);

Stop

x = x + 1;

Start

no

yes

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The Count Example

Start

A

x = 0;

B

x < 100

E no

write(x);

F Stop

C yes

x = x + 1;

D
Discussion

- We require one assertion per program point ...
- The program points correspond to
  - the join points;
  - all edges of the control-flow diagram not entering or leaving join points.

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Initially, nothing holds. After the assignment $x = 0$;, always $x \geq 0$.

The loop is only entered when $x < 100$.

After adding 1 to $x$, this gives $D \equiv (1 \leq x \leq 100)$

The point after $x = 0$; is also reached from the end of the loop body. Therefore, $B \equiv (0 \leq x \leq 100)$

At the exit of the loop, $x \geq 100$. Therefore, $E \equiv F \equiv (x = 100)$ which is not changed by writing.

These assertions should be locally consistent ...
How can we prove that the assertions are locally consistent?

Sub-problem 1: Assignments

Consider the assignment: 
\[ x = y + z; \]

In order to have after the assignment: 
\[ x > 0, \quad //\quad \text{post-condition} \]

we must have before the assignment: 
\[ y + z > 0. \quad //\quad \text{pre-condition} \]
General Principle

- Every assignment transforms a post-condition $B$ into a minimal assumption that must be valid before the execution so that $B$ is valid after the execution.

- In case of an assignment $x = e;$ the weakest pre-condition is given by

$$\text{WP}[x = e;] (B) \equiv B[e/x]$$

This means: we substitute everywhere in $B$, $x$ by $e$ !!!

- An arbitrary pre-condition $A$ for a statement $s$ is valid, whenever

$$A \Rightarrow \text{WP}[s] (B)$$

// $A$ implies the weakest pre-condition for $B$. 
Example

assignment: \[ x = x - y; \]
post-condition: \[ x > 0 \]

weakest pre-condition: \[ x - y > 0 \]
stronger pre-condition: \[ x - y > 2 \]
even stronger pre-condition: \[ x - y = 3 \]
... in the Count Program (1):

assignment: \( x = 0; \)
post-condition: \( B \)
weakest pre-condition:

\[
B[0/x] \equiv (0 \leq x \land x \leq 100)[0/x]
\equiv 0 \leq 0 \land 0 \leq 100
\equiv \text{true}
\equiv A
\]
... in the Count Program (2):

assignment: \( x = x + 1 \);

post-condition: \( D \)

weakest pre-condition:

\[
D[x + 1/x] \equiv (1 \leq x \land x \leq 100)[x + 1/x] \\
\equiv 1 \leq x + 1 \land x + 1 \leq 100 \\
\equiv 0 \leq x \land x < 100 \\
\equiv C
\]
Wrap-up

\[ \forall x. \ B \]
\[ x = \text{read}(); \]
\[ B \]

\[ B \]
\[ \text{write}(e); \]
\[ B \]

\[ B[e/x] \]
\[ x = e; \]

\[ B \]

\[ \text{WP}[;](B) \equiv B \]
\[ \text{WP}[x = e;](B) \equiv B[e/x] \]
\[ \text{WP}[x = \text{read}();](B) \equiv \forall x. B \]
\[ \text{WP}[	ext{write}(e);](B) \equiv B \]
Discussion

- For all actions, the wrap-up provides the corresponding weakest pre-conditions for a post-condition $B$.
- An output statement does not change any variable. Therefore, the weakest pre-condition is $B$ itself.
- An input statement $x=$read(); modifies the variable $x$ unpredictably. In order $B$ to hold after the input, $B$ must hold for every possible $x$ before the input.
x = 0;

Start

A

B

C E

F D

A

no yes

x < 100

E

write(x);

F

Stop

x=x+1;

D

Stop
Sub-problem 2: Conditionals

It should hold:

- $A \land \neg b \Rightarrow B_0$ and
- $A \land b \Rightarrow B_1$. 
This is the case, if \( A \) implies the \textit{weakest pre-condition} of the conditional branching:

\[
\text{WP}[[b]] (B_0, B_1) \equiv ((\neg b) \Rightarrow B_0) \land (b \Rightarrow B_1)
\]

The weakest pre-condition can be rewritten into:

\[
\text{WP}[[b]] (B_0, B_1) \equiv (b \lor B_0) \land (\neg b \lor B_1) \\
\equiv (\neg b \land B_0) \lor (b \land B_1) \lor (B_0 \land B_1) \\
\equiv (\neg b \land B_0) \lor (b \land B_1)
\]
Example

\[ B_0 \equiv x > y \land y > 0 \quad B_1 \equiv y > x \land x > 0 \]

Assume that \( b \) is the condition \( y > x \).

Then the weakest pre-condition is given by:

\[
(x \geq y \land x > y \land y > 0) \lor (y > x \land y > x \land x > 0) \\
\equiv (x > y \land y > 0) \lor (y > x \land x > 0) \\
\equiv x > 0 \land y > 0 \land x \neq y
\]
The Count Example

\[ B_0 \equiv (x = 100) \quad \text{and} \quad B_1 \equiv (0 \leq x \land x < 100) \]

where \( b \) is the condition \( x < 100 \).

Then the weakest pre-condition is given by:

\[
(x \geq 100 \land x = 100) \lor (x < 100 \land 0 \leq x \land x < 100)
\]

\[
\equiv (x = 100) \lor (0 \leq x \land x < 100)
\]

\[
\equiv 0 \leq x \land x \leq 100
\]
The GCD Example

Start

\[ x = a \text{ read();} \]
\[ y = b \text{ read();} \]

no yes

Stop

yes no

write(x);

\[ x \neq y \]

\[ x < y \]

x=x−y;

y=y−x;

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Insight
You only can verify what you understand ...

Background

d \mid x \text{ holds iff } x = d \cdot z \text{ for some integer } z.

For integers \( x, y \), let \( \gcd(x, y) = 0 \), if \( x = y = 0 \), and the greatest number \( d \) which both divides \( x \) and \( y \), otherwise.

Then the following laws hold:
Discussion

\[ \text{gcd}(x, 0) = |x| \]
\[ \text{gcd}(x, x) = |x| \]
\[ \text{gcd}(x, y) = \text{gcd}(x, y - x) \]
\[ \text{gcd}(x, y) = \text{gcd}(x - y, y) \]
Idea for GCD

- Initially, nothing holds.
- After `a=read(); x=a; a = x` holds.
- Before entering and during the loop, we should have:
  \[ A \equiv \text{gcd}(a, b) = \text{gcd}(x, y) \]
- At program exit, we should have:
  \[ B \equiv A \land (x = y) \]
- These assertions should be locally consistent ...
The GCD Example

Start

true

\( x = a = \text{read();} \)

\( a = x \)

\( y = b = \text{read();} \)

A

B

no

yes

x \ne\ y

A

B

write(x);

Stop

A

no

yes

x < y

A

x=x−y;

A

y=y−x;

A

true
... in the GCD Program (1):

assignment: \( x = x - y; \)
post-condition: \( A \)

weakest pre-condition:

\[
A[x - y/x] \equiv gcd(a, b) = gcd(x - y, y) \\
\equiv gcd(a, b) = gcd(x, y) \\
\equiv A
\]
... in the GCD Program (2):

assignment: \( y = y - x; \)
post-condition: \( A \)
weakest pre-condition:

\[ A[y - x/y] \equiv gcd(a, b) = gcd(x, y - x) \]
\[ \equiv gcd(a, b) = gcd(x, y) \]
\[ \equiv A \]
start

\[x = a = \text{read}();\]
\[a = x\]
\[y = b = \text{read}();\]

true

\[x \neq y\]

A

B

write(x);

Stop

B

A

x < y

\[x = x - y;\]
\[y = y - x;\]
\[ WP[y = b;] (A) \]

\[ \equiv \quad A[b/y] \]

\[ \equiv \quad \gcd(a, b) = \gcd(x, b) \]

\[ WP[b = \text{read}();] (\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(x, b)) \]

\[ \equiv \quad \forall b. \gcd(a, b) = \gcd(x, b) \]

\[ \iff \quad a = x \]
Orientation

Start

true

$x = a = \text{read}();$

$a = x$

$y = b = \text{read}();$

$x \neq y$

$x < y$

$y = b = \text{read}();$

$x = a = \text{read}();$

true

A

B

Write $(x)$;

A

Stop

B

x=x−y;

A

y=y−x;

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For the statements: \( a = \text{read}(); \ x = a; \) we calculate:

\[
\text{WP}[x = a;] (a = x) \equiv a = a \\
\equiv \text{true}
\]

\[
\text{WP}[a = \text{read}();] (\text{true}) \equiv \forall a. \text{true} \\
\equiv \text{true}
\]
Conditionals

\[ b \equiv y > x \]

\[ \neg b \land A \equiv x \geq y \land \gcd(a, b) = \gcd(x, y) \]

\[ b \land A \equiv y > x \land \gcd(a, b) = \gcd(x, y) \]

The weakest pre-condition is given by

\[ \gcd(a, b) = \gcd(x, y) \]

... i.e., exactly \( A \)

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Orientation

Start

true

$x = a = \text{read()}$;

$a = x$

$y = b = \text{read()}$;

$x \neq y$

$x < y$

$y = b = \text{read()}$

$x = a = \text{read()}$

A

B

B

A A A

true

A

Start

no yes

Stop

yes nowrite(x);

$y = y - x$;

$x = x - y$;

$x \neq y$

$x < y$

write(x);

B

Stop

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Conditionals II

The argument for the assertion before the loop is analogous:

\[ b \equiv y \neq x \]
\[ \neg b \land B \equiv A \land x = y \]
\[ b \land A \equiv A \land x \neq y \]

\[ A \equiv A \land (x = y \lor x \neq y) \] is the weakest pre-condition for the conditional branching.
Summary of the Approach

- Annotate each program point with an assertion.
- Program start should receive annotation \textit{true}.
- Verify for each statement \( s \) between two assertions \( A \) and \( B \), that \( A \) implies the weakest pre-condition of \( s \) for \( B \) i.e.,
  \[
  A \Rightarrow \text{WP}[s](B)
  \]
- Verify for each conditional branching with condition \( b \), whether the assertion \( A \) before the condition implies the weakest pre-condition for the post-conditions \( B_0 \) and \( B_1 \) of the branching, i.e.,
  \[
  A \Rightarrow \text{WP}[b](B_0, B_1)
  \]
An annotation with the last two properties is called \textit{locally consistent (lc)}. 
1.3 Correctness

Questions

- Which program properties can be verified by means of lc annotations?
- How can we be sure that our method does not prove wrong claims?
Recap (1)

- In MiniJava, the program state $\sigma$ consists of a variable assignment, i.e., a mapping of program variables to integers (their values), e.g.,

$$\sigma = \{x \mapsto 5, y \mapsto -42\}$$

- A state $\sigma$ satisfies an assertion $A$, if

$$A[\sigma(x)/x]_{x\in A}$$

// every variable in $A$ is substituted by its value in $\sigma$

is a tautology, i.e., equivalent to true.

We write: $\sigma \models A$. 
Example

\[\sigma = \{x \mapsto 5, y \mapsto 2\}\]
\[A \equiv (x > y)\]
\[A[5/x, 2/y] \equiv (5 > 2)\]
\[\equiv \text{true}\]

\[\sigma = \{x \mapsto 5, y \mapsto 12\}\]
\[A \equiv (x > y)\]
\[A[5/x, 12/y] \equiv (5 > 12)\]
\[\equiv \text{false}\]
Trivial Properties

\[ \sigma \models \text{true} \] for every \( \sigma \)

\[ \sigma \models \text{false} \] for no \( \sigma \)

\[ \sigma \models A_1 \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma \models A_2 \] is equivalent to \( \sigma \models A_1 \land A_2 \)

\[ \sigma \models A_1 \quad \text{or} \quad \sigma \models A_2 \] is equivalent to \( \sigma \models A_1 \lor A_2 \)
Recap (2)

- An execution trace $\pi$ traverses a path in the control-flow graph.
- It starts in a program point $u_0$ with an initial state $\sigma_0$ and leads to a program point $u_m$ with a final state $\sigma_m$.
- Every step of the execution trace performs an action and (possibly) changes program point and state.

The trace $\pi$ can be represented as a sequence

$$\left(u_0, \sigma_0\right) s_1 \left(u_1, \sigma_1\right) \ldots s_m \left(u_m, \sigma_m\right)$$

where $s_i$ are elements of the control-flow graph, i.e., basic statements or (possibly negated) conditional expressions (guards) ...
Example

```plaintext
Start

x = a = read();
y = b = read();

no yes
Stop

yes

x = x - y;
y = y - x;

x != y

x < y

write(x);

Stop
```

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Assume that we start in point $3$ with $\{x \mapsto 6, y \mapsto 12\}$.

Then we obtain the following execution trace:

$$\pi = (3, \{x \mapsto 6, y \mapsto 12\}) \quad y = y-x;$$
$$\quad (5, \{x \mapsto 6, y \mapsto 6\}) \quad ;$$
$$\quad (1, \{x \mapsto 6, y \mapsto 6\}) \quad \neg(x \neq y)$$
$$\quad (6, \{x \mapsto 6, y \mapsto 6\}) \quad \text{write}(x);$$
$$\quad (7, \{x \mapsto 6, y \mapsto 6\})$$

Important operation: Update of a state

$$\sigma \oplus \{x \mapsto d\} = \{z \mapsto \sigma z \mid z \neq x\} \cup \{x \mapsto d\}$$

$$\{x \mapsto 6, y \mapsto 12\} \oplus \{y \mapsto 6\} = \{x \mapsto 6, y \mapsto 6\}$$
Theorem

Let $p$ be a MiniJava program, let $\pi$ be an execution trace starting in program point $u$ and leading to program point $v$.

Assumptions:

- The program points in $p$ are annotated by assertions which are lc.
- The program point $u$ is annotated with $A$.
- The program point $v$ is annotated with $B$.

Conclusion:

If the initial state of $\pi$ satisfies the assertion $A$, then the final state satisfies the assertion $B$. 
Remarks

• If the start point of the program is annotated with \textit{true}, then every execution trace reaching program point \textit{v} satisfies the assertion at \textit{v}.

• In order to prove that an assertion \( A \) holds at a program point \( v \), we require a lc annotation satisfying:

  (1) The start point is annotated with \textit{true}.
  (2) The assertion at \( v \) implies \( A \).

• So far, our method does not provide any guarantee that \( v \) is ever reached !!!

• If a program point \( v \) can be annotated with the assertion \textit{false}, then \( v \) cannot be reached.
Proof

Let \( \pi = (u_0, \sigma_0)s_1(u_1, \sigma_1) \ldots s_m(u_m, \sigma_m) \).

Assumption: \( \sigma_0 \models A \).

Proof obligation: \( \sigma_m \models B \).

Idea

Induction on the length \( m \) of the execution trace.

Base \( m = 0: \)

The endpoint of the execution equals the startpoint.

\[ \implies \sigma_0 = \sigma_m \text{ and } A \equiv B \]

\[ \implies \text{the claim holds.} \]
Important Notion: Evaluation of Expressions

Program State

\[ \sigma = \{x \mapsto 5, y \mapsto -1, z \mapsto 21\} \]

Arithmetic Expression

\[ t \equiv 2 \cdot z + y \]

Evaluation

\[ [t]_\sigma = [2 \cdot z + y] \{x \mapsto 5, y \mapsto -1, z \mapsto 21\} = 2 \cdot 21 + (-1) = 41 \]
Proposition

For (arithmetic) expressions \( t, e \),

\[
[t] (\sigma \oplus \{ x \mapsto [e] \sigma \}) = [t[e/x]] \sigma
\]

E.g., consider \( t \equiv x + y, \ e \equiv 2 \times z \) for \( \sigma = \{ x \mapsto 5, y \mapsto -1, z \mapsto 21 \} \).

\[
[t] (\sigma \oplus \{ x \mapsto [e] \sigma \}) = [t] (\sigma \oplus \{ x \mapsto 42 \}) = [t] (\{ x \mapsto 42, y \mapsto -1, z \mapsto 21 \}) = 42 + (-1) = 41
\]

\[
[t[e/x]] \sigma = [(2 \times z) + y] \sigma = (2 \times 21) - 1 = 41
\]
Proposition

\[ \sigma \oplus \{ x \mapsto \llbracket e \rrbracket \sigma \} \models t_1 < t_2 \quad \text{iff} \quad \sigma \models t_1[e/x] < t_2[e/x] \]

Proof

\[ \sigma \oplus \{ x \mapsto \llbracket e \rrbracket \sigma \} \models t_1 < t_2 \]
iff \[ \llbracket t_1 \rrbracket (\sigma \oplus \{ x \mapsto \llbracket e \rrbracket \sigma \}) < \llbracket t_2 \rrbracket (\sigma \oplus \{ x \mapsto \llbracket e \rrbracket \sigma \}) \]
iff \[ \llbracket t_1[e/x] \rrbracket \sigma < \llbracket t_2[e/x] \rrbracket \sigma \]
iff \[ \sigma \models t_1[e/x] < t_2[e/x] \quad \square \]
Proposition

for every formula $A$,

$$\sigma \oplus \{x \mapsto [[e]] \sigma\} \models A \quad \text{iff} \quad \sigma \models A[e/x]$$

Proof

Induction on the structure of formula $A$
Induction Proof of Correctness (cont.)

Step \( m > 0 \):

**Induction Hypothesis:** The statement holds already for \( m - 1 \).

Let \( B' \) denote the assertion at point \( u_{m-1} \).

\[ \sigma_{m-1} \models B' \]

First, we deal with statements.

**Case 1.** \( s_m \equiv \);

Then

- \( \sigma_{m-1} = \sigma_m \)
- \( WP[:,](B) \equiv B \)

\[ B' \Rightarrow B \]

\[ \sigma_{m-1} = \sigma_m \models B \]
Induction Proof of Correctness (cont.)

Case 2. \( s_m \equiv \text{write}(e) \);

Then

- \( \sigma_{m-1} = \sigma_m \)
- \( \text{WP}[\text{write}(e);](B) \equiv B \)

\[ \implies B' \Rightarrow B \]
\[ \implies \sigma_{m-1} = \sigma_m \models B \quad \Box \]

Case 3. \( s_m \equiv x = e \);

Then we have:

- \( \sigma_m = \sigma_{m-1} \oplus \{ x \mapsto \llbracket e \rrbracket \sigma_{m-1} \} \)
- \( B' \Rightarrow \text{WP}[x = e;](B) \equiv B[e/x] \)

\[ \implies \sigma_{m-1} \models B[e/x] \]
\[ \implies \sigma_{m-1} \models B[e/x] \iff \sigma_m \models B \]
\[ \implies \sigma_m \models B \quad \Box \]
Case 4. \( s_m \equiv x = \text{read}(); \)

Then

1. \( \sigma_m = \sigma_{m-1} \oplus \{x \mapsto c\} \) for some \( c \in \mathbb{Z} \)
2. \( \text{WP}[x = \text{read}();](B) \equiv \forall x. B \)

\[ \implies B' \Rightarrow \forall x. B \Rightarrow B[c/x] \]

\[ \implies \sigma_m \models B \quad \square \]
**Induction Proof of Correctness (cont.)**

**Step** $m > 0$:

**Induction Hypothesis:** The statement holds already for $m - 1$. Let $B'$ denote the assertion at point $u_m - 1$.

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_m \models B'$$

Finally, consider tests $s_m \equiv b$. Then in particular, $\sigma_{m-1} = \sigma_m$. 
Induction Proof of Correctness (cont.)

Case 1. \( \sigma_m \models b \)

\[ \Rightarrow B' \Rightarrow \text{WP}[b] (C, B) \quad \text{where} \]

\[ \text{WP}[b] (C, B) \equiv (\neg b \Rightarrow C) \land (b \Rightarrow B) \]

\[ \Rightarrow \sigma_m \models b \land (b \Rightarrow B) \]

\[ \Rightarrow \sigma_m \models B \quad \square \]

Case 2. \( \sigma_m \models \neg b \)

\[ \Rightarrow B' \Rightarrow \text{WP}[b] (B, C) \quad \text{where} \]

\[ \text{WP}[b] (B, C) \equiv (\neg b \Rightarrow B) \land (b \Rightarrow C') \]

\[ \Rightarrow \sigma_m \models \neg b \land (\neg b \Rightarrow B) \]

\[ \Rightarrow \sigma_m \models B \quad \square \]

This completes proof of the theorem.
Conclusion

- The method of Floyd allows us to prove that an assertion $B$ holds whenever (or under certain assumptions) a program point is reached ...

- For the implementation, we require:
  - the assertion `true` at the start point
  - assertions for each further program point
  - a proof that the assertions are lc

  $\longrightarrow$ Logic, automated theorem proving
1.4 Optimization

Goal: Reduction of the number of required assertions

Observation

If the program has no loops, a weakest pre-condition can be calculated for each program point !!!
Example

\[
\begin{align*}
x &= x + 2; \\
z &= z + x; \\
i &= i + 1;
\end{align*}
\]
Example (cont.)

Assume \( B \equiv z = i^2 \land x = 2i - 1 \)

Then we calculate:

\[
\begin{align*}
B_1 & \equiv \text{WP}[i = i+1;](B) \equiv z = (i + 1)^2 \land x = 2(i + 1) - 1 \\
& \equiv z = (i + 1)^2 \land x = 2i + 1 \\
B_2 & \equiv \text{WP}[z = z+x;](B_1) \equiv z + x = (i + 1)^2 \land x = 2i + 1 \\
& \equiv z = i^2 \land x = 2i + 1 \\
B_3 & \equiv \text{WP}[x = x+2;](B_2) \equiv z = i^2 \land x + 2 = 2i + 1 \\
& \equiv z = i^2 \land x = 2i - 1 \\
& \equiv B
\end{align*}
\]
Idea

- For every loop, select one program point.

  Meaningful choices:
  - Before the condition
  - At the entry of the loop body
  - At the exit of the loop body ...

- Provide an assertion for each selected program point

  loop invariant

- For all other program points, the assertions are obtained by \( WP[\ldots]() \).
int a, i, x, z;
a = read();
i = 0;
x = -1;
z = 0;

while (i != a) {
    x = x + 2;
    z = z + x;
    i = i + 1;
}

assert(z == a * a);
write(z);
Example

\begin{align*}
\text{Start} & \\
& a = \text{read()}; \\
& i = 0; \\
& x = -1; \\
& z = 0; \\
& z = a^2 \\
\text{no} & \\
& i \neq a \\
& B & \\
& \text{yes} & \\
& \text{write}(z); \\
& \text{Stop} & \\
& x = x + 2; \\
& z = z + x; \\
& i = i + 1; \\
\end{align*}
We verify

\[
\text{WP}[i \neq a](z = a^2, B) \equiv (i = a \land z = a^2) \lor (i \neq a \land B) \\
\equiv (i = a \land z = a^2) \lor (i \neq a \land z = i^2 \land x = 2i - 1) \\
\iff (i = a \land z = i^2 \land x = 2i - 1) \lor (i \neq a \land z = i^2 \land x = 2i - 1) \\
\equiv z = i^2 \land x = 2i - 1 \equiv B
\]
Orientation

Start

\[ a = \text{read();} \]

\[ i = 0; \]
\[ x = -1; \]
\[ z = 0; \]

\[ z = a^2 \]

\[ i \neq a \]

\[ \text{B} \]

\[ \text{B} \]

\[ \text{B} \]

\[ \text{no} \]

\[ \text{yes} \]

\[ \text{write}(z); \]

\[ \text{Stop} \]

\[ x = x + 2; \]
\[ z = z + x; \]
\[ i = i + 1; \]
We verify:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{WP}[z = 0;] (B) & \equiv 0 = i^2 \land x = 2i - 1 \\
\text{WP}[x = -1;] (i = 0 \land x = -1) & \equiv i = 0 \\
\text{WP}[i = 0;] (i = 0) & \equiv \text{true} \\
\text{WP}[a = \text{read}();] (\text{true}) & \equiv \text{true}
\end{align*}
\]
1.5 Termination

Problem

- By our approach, we can only prove that an assertion is valid at a program point whenever that program point is reached !!!
- How can we guarantee that a program always terminates ?
- How can we determine a sufficient condition which guarantees termination of the program ??
Examples

- The GCD program only terminates for inputs $a, b$ with $a = b$ or $a > 0$ and $b > 0$.
- The square program terminates only for inputs $a \geq 0$.
- `while(true);` never terminates.
- Programs without loops terminate always!

Are there further examples of terminating programs ??
The read number $i$ (if non-negative) indicates how often $j$ is read. The total running time (essentially) equals the sum of all non-negative values read into $j$

$\Rightarrow$ the program always terminates !!!
Programs with for-loops

```c
for (i=n; i>0; i--) {
    ...
    // i is not modified
}
```

... always terminate!

**Question**

How can we turn this observation into a method that is applicable to arbitrary loops?
Idea

- Make sure that each loop is executed only finitely often ...
- For each loop, identify an indicator value $r$, that has two properties
  
  (1) $r > 0$ whenever the loop is entered;
  
  (2) $r$ is decreased during every iteration of the loop.
- Transform the program in a way that, alongside ordinary program execution, the indicator value $r$ is computed.
- Verify that properties (1) and (2) hold!
Example: Safe GCD Program

```c
int a, b, x, y;
a = read(); b = read();
if (a < 0) x = -a; else x = a;
if (b < 0) y = -b; else y = b;
if (x == 0) write(y);
else if (y == 0) write(x);
else {
    while (x != y)
        if (y > x) y = y - x;
        else       x = x - y;
    write(x);
}
```
We choose: \[ r = x + y \]

 Transformation

```c
int a, b, x, y, r;
a = read(); b = read();
if (a < 0) x = -a; else x = a;
if (b < 0) y = -b; else y = b;
if (x == 0) write(y);
else if (y == 0) write(x);
else { r = x + y;
    while (x != y) {
        if (y > x) y = y - x;
        else x = x - y;
        r = x + y; }
    write(x); }
```
Orientation

```
a = read();
y = b; y = -b;
write(x);
write(y);
r = x + y;
b = read();
x = a; x = -a;
a < 0
  yes
  no
  a < 0
    yes
    no
    x = a;
    x = -a;
b < 0
  yes
  no
  y = b;
  y = -b;
x = x - y; y = y - x;
r = x + y;
write(x);
yes
b < 0
  yes
  no
  y == 0
    yes
    no
    x == 0
      yes
      no
      no
      yes
      x < y
        yes
        no
        r > x + y
          yes
          no
          y = y - x;
x = x - y;
r = x + y;
write(y);
```

Stop
At program points 1, 2 and 3, we assert:

\begin{align*}
(1) \quad A & \equiv x \neq y \land x > 0 \land y > 0 \land r = x + y \\
(2) \quad B & \equiv x > 0 \land y > 0 \land r > x + y \\
(3) \quad \text{true}
\end{align*}

Then we have:

$$A \Rightarrow r > 0 \quad \text{und} \quad B \Rightarrow r > x + y$$
We verify:

\[
\begin{align*}
WP[x \neq y](\text{true}, A) & \equiv x = y \lor A \\
& \iff x > 0 \land y > 0 \land r = x + y \\
& \equiv C \\
WP[r = x+y;](C) & \equiv x > 0 \land y > 0 \\
& \iff B \\
WP[x = x-y;](B) & \equiv x > y \land y > 0 \land r > x \\
WP[y = y-x;](B) & \equiv x > 0 \land y > x \land r > y \\
WP[y > x](\ldots, \ldots) & \equiv (x > y \land y > 0 \land r > x) \lor (x > 0 \land y > x \land r > y) \\
& \iff x \neq y \land x > 0 \land y > 0 \land r = x + y \\
& \equiv A
\end{align*}
\]
Orientation

```
Start

a = read();

b = read();

no

a < 0

yes

x = a;

x = -a;

no

b < 0

yes

y = b;

y = -b;

r = x + y;

b = read();

x = a; x = -a;

a < 0

yes no

x = x - y; y = y - x;

r = x + y;

Stop

write(x);

x < y

no yes

x != y

no

b < 0

y == 0

yes no

x == 0

yes no

no

r > 0

r > x + y

r = x + y;
```
Further propagation of $C$ through the control-flow graph completes the locally consistent annotation with assertions.

We conclude:

- At program points 1 and 2, the assertions $r > 0$ and $r > x + y$, respectively, hold.
- During every iteration, $r$ decreases, but stays non-negative.
- Accordingly, the loop can only be iterated finitely often.

$\implies$ the program terminates!
General Method

- For every occurring loop \texttt{while (b) s} we introduce a fresh variable \texttt{r}.
- Then we transform the loop into:

```plaintext
r = e0;
while (b) {
    assert(r > 0);
    s;
    assert(r > e1);
    r = e1;
}
```

for suitable expressions \texttt{e0, e1}.
1.6 Modular Verification and Procedures

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Idea

- Modularize the correctness proof in a way that sub-proofs for replicated program fragments can be reused.
- Consider statements of the form:

  \[ \{ A \} \quad p \quad \{ B \} \]

  ... this means:

  If before the execution of program fragment \( p \), assertion \( A \) holds and program execution terminates, then after execution of \( p \) assertion \( B \) holds.

  \[ A \ : \ \text{pre-condition} \]

  \[ B \ : \ \text{post-condition} \]
Examples

\{ x > y \} \quad z = x - y; \quad \{ z > 0 \}

\{ \text{true} \} \quad \text{if } (x < 0) \quad x = -x; \quad \{ x \geq 0 \}

\{ x > 7 \} \quad \text{while } (x != 0) \quad x = x - 1; \quad \{ x = 0 \}

\{ \text{true} \} \quad \text{while } (\text{true}); \quad \{ \text{false} \}
Modular verification can be used to prove the correctness of programs using functions/methods.

**Simplification**

We only consider

- procedures, i.e., static methods without return values;
- global variables, i.e., all variables are static as well.
  // will be generalized later
Example

```c
int a, b;
int x, y;
void main () {
    a = read();
    b = read();
    mm();
    write (x - y);
}

void mm() {
    if (a > b) {
        x = a;
        y = b;
    } else {
        y = a;
        x = b;
    }
}
```
Comment

- for simplicity, we have removed all qualifiers static.
- The procedure definitions are not recursive.
- The program reads two numbers.
- The procedure minmax stores the larger number in x, and the smaller number in y.
- The difference of x and y is returned.
- Our goal is to prove:

\[ \{ a \geq b \} \; \text{mm}(); \; \{ a = x \} \]
Approach

- For every procedure \( f() \), we provide a triple
  \[
  \{A\} f(); \{B\}
  \]

- Relative to this global hypothesis \( H \) we verify for each procedure definition
  \[
  \text{void } f() \{ \text{ss } \}
  \]
  that
  \[
  \{A\} \text{ ss } \{B\}
  \]
  holds.

- Wherever a procedure call occurs in the program, we rely on the triple from \( H \) ...
... in the Example

We verify:

```plaintext
mm()
no yes
a > b
x = a;
y = b;
x = b;
y = a;
Stop
```

```
mm()
  a ≥ b
  \[\begin{array}{c}
    \text{no} \\
    a > b
  \end{array}\]
  \[\begin{array}{c}
    x = b; \\
    y = a;
  \end{array}\]
  \[\begin{array}{c}
    \text{yes} \\
    x = a; \\
    y = b;
  \end{array}\]
  \[\begin{array}{c}
    \text{Stop} \\
    a = x
  \end{array}\]
```
We verify:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{mm()} & \quad a \geq b \\
\text{no} & \quad a = b \\
\text{yes} & \quad a > b \\
\text{true} & \\
\text{Stop} & \quad a = x \\
\end{align*}
\]
Discussion

• The approach also works in case the procedure has a return value: that can be simulated by means of a global variable `return` which receives the respective function results.

• It is not obvious, though, how pre- and post-conditions of procedure calls can be chosen if a procedure is called in multiple places ...

• Even more complicated is the situation when a procedure is recursive: the it has possibly unboundedly many distinct calls !?
Example

```c
int x, m0, m1, t;

void main () {
    x = read();
    m0 = 1; m1 = 1;
    if (x > 1) f();
    write (m1);
}

void f() {
    x = x-1;
    if (x > 1)
        f();
    t = m1;
    m1 = m0 + m1;
    m0 = t;
}
```
Comment

- The program reads a number.
- If the number is at most 1, the program returns 1 ...
- Otherwise, the program computes the Fibonacci function fib.
- After a call to f, the variables m0 and m1 have the values fib(i − 1) and fib(i), respectively ...
Problem

- In the logic, we must be able to distinguish between the $i$th and the $(i + 1)$th call.
- This is easier, if we have logical auxiliaries $l = l_1, \ldots, l_n$ at hand to store (selected) values before the call ...

In the Example

\[ \{A\} f(); \{B\} \]

where

\[
A \equiv x = l \land x > 1 \land m_0 = m_1 = 1 \\
B \equiv l > 1 \land m_1 \leq 2^l \land m_0 \leq 2^{l-1}
\]
General Approach

- Again, we start with a global hypothesis \( H \) which provides a description

\[
\{ A \} \ f() ; \ \{ B \}
\]

// both \( A \) and \( B \) may contain \( l_i \) for each call of \( f() \);

- Given this global hypotheses \( H \) we verify for each procedure definition

void \( f() \) { \( ss \) } that

\[
\{ A \} \ ss \ \{ B \}
\]

holds.
\begin{verbatim}
x = x - 1;
m1 = m1 + m0;
t = m1;
m0 = t;
Stop
f();
f();
no yes x > 1
B
C
D
A
\end{verbatim}

\[ x = l - 1 \land x > 0 \land m_0 = m_1 = 1 \]
• We start with an assertion for the end point:

\[ B \equiv l > 1 \land m_1 \leq 2^l \land m_0 \leq 2^{l-1} \]

• The assertion \( C \) is obtained by means of \( \text{WP}[\ldots] \) and weakening ... 

\[
\text{WP}[t=m_1; \ m_1=m_1+m_0; \ m_0=t;] (B)
\equiv l - 1 > 0 \land m_1 + m_0 \leq 2^l \land m_1 \leq 2^{l-1}
\iff l - 1 > 1 \land m_1 \leq 2^{l-1} \land m_0 \leq 2^{l-2}
\equiv C
\]
Question

How can the global hypothesis be used to deal with a specific procedure call

Idea

- The assertion \( \{A\} f() ; \{B\} \) represents a value table for \( f() \).
- This value table can be logically represented by the implication:

  \[ \forall l. (A[h/x] \Rightarrow B) \]

  // \( h \) denotes a sequence of auxiliaries

  The values of the variables \( x \) before the call are recorded in the auxiliaries.
Examples

Function: `void double () { x = 2*x;}

Specification: `{x = l} double(); {x = 2l}

Table:
\[ \forall l. (h = l) \Rightarrow (x = 2l) \]
\[ \equiv (x = 2h) \]

For the Fibonacci function, we calculate:

\[ \forall l. (h > 1 \land h = l \land h_0 = h_1 = 1) \Rightarrow l > 1 \land m_1 \leq 2^l \land m_0 \leq 2^{l-1} \]
\[ \equiv (h > 1 \land h_0 = h_1 = 1) \Rightarrow m_1 \leq 2^h \land m_0 \leq 2^{h-1} \]
Another pair \((A_1, B_1)\) of assertions forms a valid triple \(\{A_1\} f() \{B_1\}\), if we are able to prove that

\[
\forall l. A[h/x] \Rightarrow B \quad A_1[h/x] \\
\hline
B_1
\]

Example: \(\text{double()}\)

\[
A \equiv x = l \quad B \equiv x = 2l \\
A_1 \equiv x \geq 3 \quad B_1 \equiv x \geq 6
\]

We verify:

\[
x = 2h \quad h \geq 3 \\
\hline
x \geq 6
\]
Remarks

Valid pairs \((A_1, B_1)\) are obtained, e.g.,

- by substituting logical variables:

\[
\begin{align*}
\{x = l\} \text{ double(); } \{x = 2l\} \\
\{x = l - 1\} \text{ double(); } \{x = 2(l - 1)\}
\end{align*}
\]

- by adding a condition \(C\) to the logical variables:

\[
\begin{align*}
\{x = l\} \text{ double(); } \{x = 2l\} \\
\{x = l \land l > 0\} \text{ double(); } \{x = 2l \land l > 0\}
\end{align*}
\]
Remarks (cont.)

Valid pairs \((A_1, B_1)\) are also obtained,

- if the pre-condition is strengthened or the post-condition weakened:

\[
\begin{align*}
\{x = l\} \text{ double()}; & \{x = 2l\} \\
\{x > 0 \land x = l\} \text{ double()}; & \{x = 2l\} \\
\{x = l\} \text{ double()}; & \{x = 2l\} \\
\{x = l\} \text{ double()}; & \{x = 2l \lor x = -1\}
\end{align*}
\]
Application to Fibonacci

Our goal is to prove: \( \{D\} \ f(); \ \{C\} \)

\[
\begin{align*}
A & \equiv x > 1 \land l = x \land m_0 = m_1 = 1 \\
A[(l - 1)/l] & \equiv x > 1 \land l - 1 = x \land m_0 = m_1 = 1 \\
& \equiv D \\
B & \equiv l > 1 \land m_1 \leq 2^l \land m_0 \leq 2^{l-1} \\
B[(l - 1)/l] & \equiv l - 1 > 1 \land m_1 \leq 2^{l-1} \land m_0 \leq 2^{l-2} \\
& \equiv C
\end{align*}
\]
For the conditional, we verify:

$$\text{WP}[x>1] (B, D) \equiv (x \leq 1 \land l > 1 \land m_1 \leq 2^l \land m_0 \leq 2^{l-1}) \lor$$
$$\quad (x > 1 \land x = l - 1 \land m_1 = m_0 = 1)$$

$$\iff x > 0 \land x = l - 1 \land m_0 = m_1 = 1$$
1.7 Procedures with Local Variables

- Procedures $f()$ modify global variables.
- The values of local variables of the caller before and after the call remain unchanged.

Example

```c
{ int y = 17; double(); write(y); }
```

Before and after the call of `double()` we have: $y = 17$. 
The values of local variables are automatically preserved, if the global hypothesis has the following properties:

- The pre- and post-conditions: \( \{A\}, \{B\} \) of procedures only speak about global variables!
- The \( h \) are only used for global variables!!

As a new specific instance of adaptation, we obtain:

\[
\frac{\{A\} \ f(); \ {B}}{\{A \land C\} \ f(); \ {B \land C}}
\]

if \( C \) only speaks about logical variables or local variables of the caller.
Summary

- Every further language construct requires dedicated verification techniques.
- How to deal with dynamic data-structures, objects, classes, inheritance?
- How to deal with concurrency, reactivity?
- Do the presented methods allow to prove everything $\Rightarrow$ completeness?
- In how far can verification be automated?
- How much help must be provided by the programmer and/or the verifier?
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2 Basics

- Interpreter Environment
- Expressions
- Definitions of Values
- More Complex Datatypes
- Lists
- Definitions (cont.)
- User-defined Datatypes
2.1 The Interpreter Environment

The basic interpreter is called with \texttt{ocaml}. A more elaborate version is \texttt{utop}.

```
seidl@linux:~> ocaml
OCaml version 5.1.1
...
#
```

Definitions of variables, functions, ... can now immediately be inserted. Alternatively, they can be read from a file:

```
# #use "Hello.ml";;
```
2.2 Expressions

```
1  # 3+4;;
2  - : int = 7
3  # 3+
4  4;;
5  - : int = 7
6  #
```

→ At #, the interpreter is waiting for input.
→ The ;; causes evaluation of the given input.
→ The result is computed and returned together with its type.

**Advantage:** Individual functions can be tested without re-compilation!
### Pre-defined Constants and Operators

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1. # -3.0 /. 4.0;;
2. - : float = -0.75
3. # "So" ~ " " ~ "it" ~ " " ~ "goes";;
4. - : string = "So it goes"
5. # 1 > 2 || not (2.0 < 1.0);;
6. - : bool = true
2.3 Definitions of Values

By means of `let`, a variable can be assigned a value. The variable retains this value for ever!

```haskell
1   # let seven = 3 + 4;;
2   val seven : int = 7
3   # seven;;
4   - : int = 7
```

Caveat: Variable names are start with a small letter !!!
Another definition of `seven` does not assign a new value to `seven`, but creates a new variable with the name `seven`.

```haskell
1  # let seven = 42;;
2  val seven : int = 42
3  # seven;;
4  - : int = 42
5  # let seven = "seven";;
6  val seven : string = "seven"
```

The old variable is now hidden (but still there)!
Apparently, the new variable may even have a different type.
2.4 More Complex Datatypes

- **Pairs**

```python
1  # (3 , 4);
2  - : int * int = (3, 4)
3  # (1=2,"hello");
4  - : bool * string = (false, "hello")
```

- **Tuples**

```python
1  # (2, 3, 4, 5);
2  - : int * int * int * int = (2, 3, 4, 5)
3  # ("hello", true, 3.14159);
4  -: string * bool * float = ("hello", true, 3.14159)
```
Simultaneous Definition of Variables

```haskell
# let (x,y) = (3,4.0);

val x : int = 3
val y : float = 4.

# let (_,y) = (3,4.0);

val y : float = 4.0
```

The _ is an anonymous variable.

It is used in places where a pattern requires a variable to receive parts of a value which are of no interest.
# type person = {given: string; sur: string; age: int};;

type person = { given : string; sur : string; age : int; }

# let paul = { given="Paul"; sur="Meier"; age=24 };;
val paul : person = {given = "Paul"; sur = "Meier"; age = 24}

# let hans = { sur="kohl"; age=23; given="hans"};;
val hans : person = {given = "hans"; sur = "kohl"; age = 23}

# let hansi = {age=23; sur="kohl"; given="hans"};;
val hansi : person = {given = "hans"; sur = "kohl"; age = 23}

# hans = hansi;;
- : bool = true
Remark

... Records are tuples with named components whose ordering, therefore, is irrelevant.

... As a new type, a record must be introduced before its use by means of a type declaration.

... Type names and record components start with a small letter.

Access to Record Components

... via selection of components

```plaintext
1   # paul.given;;
2   - : string = "Paul"
```
... with pattern matching

```haskell
# let {given = x; sur = y; age = z} = paul;;
val x : string = "Paul"
val y : string = "Meier"
val z : int = 24
```

... and if we are not interested in everything:

```haskell
# let {given = x; _} = paul;;
val x : string = "Paul"
```
Case Distinction: match and if

```plaintext
1    match n
2      with 0 -> "null"
3           | 1 -> "one"
4           | _ -> "uncountable!"
5
6    match e
7      with true  -> e1
8           | false -> e2

The second example can also be written as

1  if e then e1 else e2
```
Watch out for redundant and incomplete matches!

```ocaml
# let n = 7;;
val n : int = 7

# match n with 0 -> "zero";;
Warning: this pattern-matching is not exhaustive.
Here is an example of a value that is not matched:

1
Exception: Match_failure ("", 5, -13).

# match n
    with 0 -> "zero"
    | 0 -> "one"
    | _ -> "uncountable!";;
Warning: this match case is unused.
- : string = "uncountable!"
```
2.5 Lists

Lists are constructed by means of \[\text{[]}\] and \[::\].

Short-cut: \[\text{[42; 0; 16]}\]

```ocaml
# let mt = [];;
val mt : 'a list = []

# let l1 = 1::mt;;
val l1 : int list = [1]

# let l = [1;2;3];;
val l : int list = [1; 2; 3]

# let l = 1::2::3::[];;
val l : int list = [1; 2; 3]
```
Caveat

All elements must have the same type:

```haskell
1  # 1.0 :: Int :: [] ;;
2  This expression has type int but is here used with type float
```

*alpha list* describes lists with elements of type *alpha*.

The type *'a* is a type variable:

*[]* denotes an empty list for arbitrary element types.
Pattern Matching on Lists

```haskell
1  # match l
2  with [] -> -1
3    | x::xs -> x;
4  :- int = 1
```
2.6 Definition of Functions

Behind the function name follow the parameters.

The function name is just a variable whose value is a function.
> Alternatively, we may introduce a variable whose value is a function.

```mermaid
sequenceDiagram
    participant User
    User -> Server: Request function definition
    Server --> User: Function definition
```

> This function definition starts with `fun`, followed by the sequence of formal parameters.

> After `->` follows the specification of the return value.

> The variables from the left can be accessed on the right.
Functions may additionally access the values of variables which have been visible at their point of definition:

```ocaml
# let factor = 2;;
val factor : int = 2

# let double x = factor * x;;
val double : int -> int = <fun>

# let factor = 4;;
val factor : int = 4

# double 3;;
- : int = 6
```
Caveat

A function is a value:

```
1    # double;;
2   - : int -> int = <fun>
```
A function is recursive, if it calls itself (directly or indirectly).

For that purpose, OCaml offers the keyword `rec`. 
If functions call themselves indirectly via other other functions, they are called **mutually recursive**.

```ml
# let rec even n = if n=0 then "even" else odd (n-1)
and odd n = if n=0 then "odd" else even (n-1);;
val even : int -> string = <fun>
val odd : int -> string = <fun>
```

We combine their definitions by means of the keyword **and**.
Definition by Case Distinction

```ml
# let rec length = fun l -> match l
with [] -> 0
    | x::xs -> 1 + length xs;;
val length : 'a list -> int = <fun>
# length [1; 2; 3];;
- : int = 3
```

... can be shorter written as

```ml
# let rec length = function
    | [] -> 0
    | x::xs -> 1 + length xs;;
val length : 'a list -> int = <fun>
# length [1; 2; 3];;
- : int = 3
```
Case distinction for several arguments

```ml
# let rec app l y = match l with 
| [] -> y 
| x::xs -> x :: app xs y;;
val app : 'a list -> 'a list -> 'a list = <fun>
# app [1; 2] [3; 4];;
- : int list = [1; 2; 3; 4]
```

... can also be written as

```ml
# let rec app = function [] -> fun y -> y  
| x::xs -> fun y -> x::app xs y;;
val app : 'a list -> 'a list -> 'a list = <fun>
# app [1; 2] [3; 4];;
- : int list = [1; 2; 3; 4]
```
Local Definitions

Definitions introduced by `let` may occur locally:

```ocaml
# let x = 5
in let sq = x * x
in sq + sq;;

- : int = 50

# let facit n = let rec
  iter m yet = if m > n then yet
  else iter (m + 1) (m * yet)
  in iter 2 1;;

val facit : int -> int = <fun>
```
2.7 User-defined Datatypes

Example: playing cards

How to specify color and value of a card?

First Idea: pairs of strings and numbers, e.g.,

    ("diamonds", 10)  ≡  diamonds ten
    ("clubs", 11)     ≡  clubs jack
    ("gras", 14)      ≡  gras ace
Disadvantages

- Testing of the color requires a comparison of strings
  \[\rightarrow\text{inefficient!}\]

- Representation of Jack as 11 is not intuitive
  \[\rightarrow\text{incomprehensible program!}\]

- Which card represents the pair \("\text{clubs}\", 9\)?
  \(\text{(typos are not recognized by the compiler)}\)

Better: Enumeration types of OCaml.
Example: Playing cards

2. Idea: Enumeration Types

```ocaml
# type color = Diamonds | Hearts | Gras | Clubs;;
type color = Diamonds | Hearts | Gras | Clubs
# type value = Seven | Eight | Nine | Jack | Queen | King |
               Ten | Ace;;
type value = Seven | Eight | Nine | Jack | Queen | King |
               Ten | Ace
# Clubs;;
- : color = Clubs
# let gras_jack = (Gras,Jack);;
val gras_jack : color * value = (Gras,Jack)
```
Advantages

→ The representation is intuitive.
→ Typing errors are recognized:

```
1   # (Culbs,Nine);
2   Unbound constructor Culbs
```

→ The internal representation is efficient.

Remark

→ By type, a new type is defined.
→ The alternatives are called constructors and are separated by |.
→ Every constructor starts with a capital letter and is uniquely assigned to a type.
Enumeration Types (cont.)

Constructors can be compared:

```ml
1    # Clubs < Diamonds;;
2    - : bool = false;;
3    # Clubs > Diamonds;;
4    - : bool = true;;
```

Pattern Matching on constructors:

```ml
1    # let is_trump = function
2        | (Hearts,_)   -> true
3        | (_,Jack)     -> true
4        | (_,Queen)    -> true
5        | (_,_)        -> false
6
7    val is_trump : color * value -> bool = <fun>
```
By that, e.g.,

```c
1 # is_trump (Gras,Jack);
2 - : bool = true
3 # is_trump (Clubs,Nine);
4 - : bool = false
```
Another useful function:

```haskell
# let string_of_color = function
| Diamonds  -> "Diamonds"
| Hearts    -> "Hearts"
| Gras      -> "Gras"
| Clubs     -> "Clubs";;
val string_of_color : color -> string = <fun>
```

Remark

The function `string_of_color` returns for a given color the corresponding string in constant time (the compiler, hopefully, uses jump tables).
Now, OCaml can (almost) play cards:

```ocaml
# let takes c1 c2 = match (c1,c2) with
  | ((f1,Queen),(f2,Queen)) -> f1 > f2
  | (_,Queen,_) -> true
  | (_,(_:Queen)) -> false
  | ((f1,Jack),(f2,Jack)) -> f1 > f2
  | (_,Jack,_) -> true
  | (_,(_:Jack)) -> false
  | ((Hearts,w1),(Hearts,w2)) -> w1 > w2
  | ((Hearts,_) ,_) -> true
  | (_,(Hearts,)) -> false
  | ((f1,w1),(f2,w2)) -> if f1=f2 then w1 > w2
                         else false;;
```

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...#

let take card2 card1 =
  if takes card2 card1 then card2 else card1;;

let trick card1 card2 card3 card4 =
  take card4 (take card3 (take card2 card1));;

trick (Gras,Ace) (Gras,Nine) (Hearts,Ten) (Clubs,Jack);;
- : color * value = (Clubs,Jack)

trick (Clubs,Eight) (Clubs,King) (Gras,Ten)
  (Clubs,Nine);;
- : color * value = (Clubs,King)
Sum Types

Sum types generalize of enumeration types in that constructors now may have arguments.

Example: Optional Values

```haskell
1  type 'a option = None | Some of 'a
2  let is_some x = match x with
3    | Some _ -> true
4    | None -> false
5    ... 
```
let get x = match x with
  | Some y -> y
let value x a = match x with
  | Some y -> y
  | None -> a
let map f x = match x with
  | Some y -> Some (f y)
  | None -> None
let join a = match a with
  | Some a' -> a'
  | None -> None
Option is a module, which collects useful functions and values for option. A constructor defined inside

```plaintext
type t = Con of <type> | ...
```

has functionality

```plaintext
Con : <type> -> t
```

must, however, always occur applied ...

```plaintext
1   # Some
2   The constructor Some expects 1 argument(s),
3   but is here applied to 0 argument(s)
4
5   # None
6   - : 'a option = None
7
8   # Some 10
9   - : int option = Some 10
10
11  # let a = Some "Hello!"
12 val a : string option = Some "Hello!"
```
The type `option` is **polymorphic** – which means that it can be constructed for any type `'a`, in particular `int` or `string`.

Polymorphic types with parameters `'a`, `'b`, `'c` are then introduced by

```haskell
type ('a,'b,'c) t = ...
```

The option type is useful for defining **partial** functions

```haskell
let rec get_value a l = match l with
  | [] -> None
  | (b, z)::rest -> if a = b then Some z
      else get_value a rest
```
Datatypes can be recursive:

```
type sequence = End | Next of (int * sequence)

# Next (1, Next (2, End));;
- : sequence = Next (1, Next (2, End))
```

Note the similarity to lists!

A corresponding polymorphic type could be

```
type 'a sequence = End | Next of ('a * 'a sequence)

# Next (1, Next (2, End));;
- : int sequence = Next (1, Next (2, End))
```
Recursive datatypes lead to recursive functions:

```ocaml
# let rec nth n s = match (n, s) with
| (_, End)       -> None
| (0, Next (x, _)) -> Some x
| (n, Next (_, rest)) -> nth (n-1) rest;;

val nth : int -> 'a sequence -> 'a option = <fun>

# nth 4 (Next (1, Next (2, End))));;
- : int = None

# nth 2 (Next (1, Next(2, Next (5, Next (17, End))))) ;;
- : int = Some 5
```
Another Example

```ocaml
1 # let rec down = function
2   | 0 -> End
3   | n -> Next (n, down (n-1));;
4 val down : int -> int sequence = <fun>

5 # down 3;;
6 - : int sequence = Next (3, Next (2, Next (1, End)));

9 # down (-1);;
10 Stack overflow during evaluation (looping recursion?).
```
3  A closer Look at Functions

- Tail Calls
- Higher-order Functions
  - Currying
  - Partial Application
- Polymorphic Functions
- Polymorphic Datatypes
- Anonymous Functions
### 3.1 Tail Calls

A **tail call** in the body $e$ of a function is a call whose value provides the value of $e$ ...

```plaintext
1  let f x = x + 5
2
3  let g y = let z = 7
4  in if y > 5 then f (-y)
5      else z + f y
```

The first call is **tail**, the second is not.

- From a tail call, we need not return to the calling function.
- The stack space of the calling function can immediately be recycled !!!
A recursive function $f$ is called tail recursive, if all (direct or indirect) calls to $f$ and all functions mutually recursive with $f$ in the right-hand sides of any of these functions are tail calls.

**Examples**

```ocaml
1  let fac x = let rec facit n acc =
2    if n <= 1 then acc
3    else facit (n - 1) (n * acc)
4  in facit x 1

5

6  let rec loop x = if x < 2 then x
7     else if x mod 2 = 0 then loop (x / 2)
8     else loop (3 * x + 1)
```
Tail-recursive functions can be executed as efficiently as loops in imperative languages.

The intermediate results are handed from one recursive call to the next in accumulating parameters.

From that, a stopping rule computes the result.

Tail-recursive functions are particularly popular for list processing...
Reversing a List – Version 1

```ocaml
let rec rev list = match list
  with [] -> []
  | x::xs -> app (rev xs) [x]
```

rev [0;...;n-1] calls function app with

```ocaml
[[]
  [n-1]
  [n-1; n-2]
  ...
  [n-1; ...; 1]
```
as first argument → quadratic running-time!
Reversing a List – Version 2

```ocaml
let rev list =
  let rec r2 a l =
    match l
    with [] -> a
    | x::xs -> r2 (x::a) xs
  in r2 [] list
```

The local function `r2` is tail-recursive!

It runs in linear running-time!!
3.2 Higher Order Functions

Consider the two functions

```ocaml
1 let f (a, b) = a + b + 1
2
3 let g a b = a + b + 1
```

At first sight, $f$ and $g$ differ only in the syntax. But they also differ in their types:

```ocaml
1 # f;;
2 - : int * int -> int = <fun>
3
4 # g;;
5 - : int -> int -> int = <fun>
```
- Function \( f \) has a single argument, namely, the pair \((a, b)\). The return value is given by \( a+b+1 \).

- Function \( g \) has the one argument \( a \) of type \( \text{int} \). The result of application to \( a \) is a function that, when applied to the other argument \( b \), returns the result \( a+b+1 \):

```ocaml
1  # f (3, 5);;
2    - : int = 9
3
4  # let g1 = g 3;;
5    val g1 : int -> int = <fun>
6
7  # g1 5;;
8    - : int = 9
```
Haskell B. Curry, 1900–1982
In honor of its inventor Haskell B. Curry, this principle is called **Currying**.

- $g$ is called a higher order function, because its result is again a function.
- The application of $g$ to a single argument is called **partial**, because the result takes another argument, before the body is evaluated.

The argument of a function can again be a function:

```ocaml
# let curry f a b = f (a,b);;
val curry : ('a * 'b -> 'c) -> 'a -> 'b -> 'c = <fun>
```

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let plus (x, y) = x + y;;
val plus : int * int -> int = <fun>

# curry plus;;
- : int -> int -> int = <fun>

let plus2 = curry plus 2;;
val plus2 : int -> int = <fun>

let plus3 = curry plus 3;;
val plus3 : int -> int = <fun>

# plus2 (plus3 4);;
- : int = 9
3.3 Some List Functions

```ocaml
let rec map f = function
  | [] -> []
  | x::xs -> f x :: map f xs

let rec fold_left f a = function
  | [] -> a
  | x::xs -> fold_left f (f a x) xs

let rec fold_right f = function
  | [] -> fun b -> b
  | x::xs -> fun b -> f x (fold_right f xs b)
```
let rec find_opt f = function
  | [] -> None
  | x::xs -> if f x then Some x
  else find_opt f xs

Remarks

→ These functions abstract from the behavior of the function f. They specify the recursion according the list structure — independently of the elements of the list.

→ Therefore, such functions are sometimes called recursion schemes or (list) functionals.

→ List functionals are independent of the element type of the list. That type must only be known to the function f.

→ Functions which operate on equally structured data of various type, are called polymorphic.
The OCaml system infers the following types for the given functionals:

1. map : ('a -> 'b) -> 'a list -> 'b list
2. fold_left : ('a -> 'b -> 'a) -> 'a -> 'b list -> 'a
3. fold_right : ('a -> 'b -> 'b) -> 'a list -> 'b -> 'b
4. find_opt : ('a -> bool) -> 'a list -> 'a option

→ 'a and 'b are type variables. They can be instantiated by any type (but each occurrence with the same type).
By partial application, some of the type variables may be instantiated:

```ocaml
# string_of_int;;
val : int -> string = <fun>

# map string_of_int;;
- : int list -> string list = <fun>

# fold_left (+);;
val it : int -> int list -> int = <fun>
```
If a functional is applied to a function that is itself polymorphic, the result may again be polymorphic:

```ocaml
# let cons_r xs x = x :: xs;;
val cons_r : 'a list -> 'a -> 'a list = <fun>

# let rev l = fold_left cons_r [] l;;
val rev : 'a list -> 'a list = <fun>

# rev [1; 2; 3];;
- : int list = [3; 2; 1]

# rev [true; false; false];;
- : bool list = [false; false; true]
```
Some of the Simplest Polymorphic Functions

1  let compose f g x  = f (g x)
2  let twice f x      = f (f x)
3  let rec iter f g x = if g x then x else iter f g (f x);
4
5  val compose : ('a -> 'b) -> ('c -> 'a) -> 'c -> 'b = <fun>
6  val twice : ('a -> 'a) -> 'a -> 'a = <fun>
7  val iter : ('a -> 'a) -> ('a -> bool) -> 'a -> 'a = <fun>
8
9  # compose not not;;
10  - : bool -> bool = <fun>
11
12  # compose not not true;;
13  - : bool = true;;
14
15  # compose Char.chr plus2 65;;
16  - : char = 'C'
3.5 Polymorphic Datatypes

User-defined datatypes may be polymorphic as well:

```haskell
1 type 'a tree = Leaf of 'a | Node of ('a tree * 'a tree)
```

→ tree is called type constructor, because it allows to create a new type from another type, namely its parameter 'a.

→ In the right-hand side, only those type variables may occur, which have been listed on the left.

→ The application of constructors to data may instantiate type variables:
Functions for polymorphic datatypes are, typically, again polymorphic ...
```ocaml
let rec size = function
  | Leaf _        -> 1
  | Node(t,t')    -> size t + size t'

let rec flatten = function
  | Leaf x       -> [x]
  | Node(t,t')   -> flatten t @ flatten t'

let flatten1 t = let rec doit t xs = match t with
  | Leaf x       -> x :: xs
  | Node(t,t')   -> let xs = doit t' xs
                   in doit t xs
                   in doit t []
...
```
val size : 'a tree -> int = <fun>
val flatten : 'a tree -> 'a list = <fun>
val flatten1 : 'a tree -> 'a list = <fun>

# let t = Node (Node (Leaf 1, Leaf 5), Leaf 3);
val t : int tree = Node (Node (Leaf 1, Leaf 5), Leaf 3)

# size t;;
- : int = 3

# flatten t;;
val : int list = [1;5;3]

# flatten1 t;;
val : int list = [1;5;3]
3.6 Application: Queues

Wanted

Datastructure 'a queue which supports the operations

1  enqueue : 'a -> 'a queue -> 'a queue

2  dequeue : 'a queue -> 'a option * 'a queue

3  is_empty : 'a queue -> bool

4  queue_of_list : 'a list -> 'a queue

5  list_of_queue : 'a queue -> 'a list
First Idea

- Represent the queue by a list:

```ocaml
let dequeue = function
  | []       -> (None, [])
  | x::xs    -> (Some x, xs)
```

- Extraction means access to the topmost element:

```ocaml
let enqueue x xs = xs @ [x]
```
Discussion

- The operator $\circ$ concatenates two lists.
- The implementation is very simple.
- Extraction is cheap.
- Insertion, however, requires as many calls of $\circ$ as the queue has elements.
- Can that be improved upon??
Second Idea

- Represent the queue as two lists!!!

```ml
type 'a queue = Queue of 'a list * 'a list

let is_empty = function
    Queue ([],[]) -> true
    | _            -> false

let queue_of_list list = Queue (list,[])

let list_of_queue = function
    Queue (first,[]) -> first
    | Queue (first,last) ->
        first @ List.rev last
```

- The second list represents the tail of the list and therefore in reverse ordering ...
Second Idea (cont.)

- Insertion is in the second list:

```haskell
1 let enqueue x (Queue (first, last)) =
2     Queue (first, x::last)
```

- Extracted are elements always from the first list:

Only if that is empty, the second list is consulted ...

```haskell
1 let dequeue = function
2     Queue ([] ,last) -> (match List .rev last
3         with []  -> (None , Queue ( [], [] )))
4     | x::xs -> (Some x , Queue ( xs, [] )))
5     | Queue (x::xs,last) -> (Some x , Queue (xs,last))
```
Discussion

• Now, insertion is cheap!
• Extraction, however, can be as expensive as the number of elements in the second list ...
• Averaged over the number of insertions, however, the extra costs are only constant !!!

\[ \Rightarrow \text{ amortized cost analysis} \]
3.7 Anonymous Functions

As we have seen, functions are data. Data, e.g., \([1;2;3]\) can be used without naming them. This is also possible for functions:

```
1   # fun x y z -> x + y + z;;
2   - : int -> int -> int -> int = <fun>
```

- `fun` initiates an abstraction.
  This notion originates in the \(\lambda\)-calculus.
- `->` has the effect of `=` in function definitions.
- Recursive functions cannot be defined in this way, as the recurrent occurrences in their bodies require names for reference.
Alonzo Church, 1903–1995

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Pattern matching can be used by applying `match ... with` for the corresponding argument.

In case of a single argument, `function` can be considered...

```ocaml
# function None -> 0
| Some x -> x * x + 1;;
- : int option -> int = <fun>
```
Anonymous functions are convenient if they are used just once in a program. Often, they occur as arguments to functionals:

```
# map (fun x -> x * x) [1; 2; 3];;
- : int list = [1; 4; 9]
```

Often, they are also used for returning functions as result:

```
# let make_undefined () = fun x -> None;;
val make_undefined : unit -> 'a -> 'b option = <fun>

# let def_one (x,y) = fun x' -> if x = x' then Some y else None;;
val def_one : 'a * 'b -> 'a -> 'b option = <fun>
```
4     A Larger Application:
     Balanced Trees

**Recap:**  Sorted Array

| 2 | 3 | 5 | 7 | 11 | 13 | 17 |
Properties

- **Sorting algorithms** allow to initialize with \( \approx n \cdot \log(n) \) many comparisons.  
  \[n\] = size of the array
- **Binary search** allows to search for elements with \( \approx \log(n) \) many comparisons.
- Arrays neither support **insertion** nor **deletion** of elements.
Wanted:

Datastructure \( 'a \\text{d} \) which allows to maintain a dynamic sorted sequence of elements, i.e., which supports the operations

1. insert : \( 'a \rightarrow 'a \text{d} \rightarrow 'a \text{d} \)
2. delete : \( 'a \rightarrow 'a \text{d} \rightarrow 'a \text{d} \)
3. extract_min : \( 'a \text{d} \rightarrow 'a \text{option} \ast 'a \text{d} \)
4. extract_max : \( 'a \text{d} \rightarrow 'a \text{option} \ast 'a \text{d} \)
5. extract : \( 'a \ast 'a \rightarrow 'a \text{d} \rightarrow 'a \text{list} \ast 'a \text{d} \)
6. list_of_d : \( 'a \text{d} \rightarrow 'a \text{list} \)
7. d_of_list : \( 'a \text{list} \rightarrow 'a \text{d} \)
First Idea

Use balanced trees ...
First Idea

Use balanced trees ...
Discussion

- Data are stored at internal nodes!
- A binary tree with $n$ leaves has $n - 1$ internal nodes.
- In order to search for an element, we must compare with all elements along a path ...
- The depth of a tree is the maximal number of internal nodes on a path from the root to a leaf.
- A complete balanced binary tree with $n = 2^k$ leaves has depth $k = \log(n)$.
- How do we insert further elements ??
- How do we delete elements ???
Second Idea

- Instead of balanced trees, we use almost balanced trees ...
- At each node, the depth of the left and right subtrees should be almost equal!
- An AVL tree is a binary tree where the depths of left and right subtrees at each internal node differs at most by 1 ...
An AVL Tree
An AVL Tree
Not an AVL Tree
G.M. Adelson-Velskij, 1922

E.M. Landis, Moskau, 1921-1997
We prove:

(1) Each AVL tree of depth $k > 0$ has at least

$$\text{fib}(k) \geq A^{k-1}$$

nodes where $A = \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2}$ // golden cut
We calculate:

(1) Each AVL tree of depth $k > 0$ has at least

$$\text{fib}(k) \geq A^{k-1}$$

nodes where $A = \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2}$ // golden cut

(2) Every AVL tree with $n > 0$ internal nodes has depth at most

$$\frac{1}{\log(A)} \cdot \log(n) + 1$$

Proof: We only prove (1)

Let $N(k)$ denote the minimal number of internal nodes of an AVL tree of depth $k$. Induction on the number $k > 0$ ...
\[ \begin{align*}
  k = 1 : & \quad N(1) = 1 = \text{fib}(1) = A^0 \\
  k = 2 : & \quad N(2) = 2 = \text{fib}(2) \geq A^1 \\
  k > 2 : & \quad \text{Assume that the assertion holds for } k - 1 \text{ and } k - 2 \ldots
\end{align*} \]

\[ \begin{align*}
  \implies N(k) &= N(k - 1) + N(k - 2) + 1 \\
                   &\geq \text{fib}(k - 1) + \text{fib}(k - 2) \\
                   &= \text{fib}(k)
\end{align*} \]

\[ \begin{align*}
  \text{fib}(k) &= \text{fib}(k - 1) + \text{fib}(k - 2) \\
                    &\geq A^{k-2} + A^{k-3} \\
                    &= A^{k-3} \cdot (A + 1) \\
                    &= A^{k-3} \cdot A^2 \\
                    &= A^{k-1}
\end{align*} \]
Second Idea (cont.)

- If another element is inserted, the **AVL property** may get lost!
- If some element is deleted, the **AVL property** may get lost!
- Then the tree must be re-structured so that the **AVL property** is re-established ...
- For that, we require for each node the depths of the left and right subtrees, respectively ...
Representation
Representation
Third Idea

- Instead of the *absolute* depth, we store at each node only whether the difference in depth of the two subtrees is negative, positive or equal to zero !!!
- As datatype, we therefore define

```ocaml
1  type 'a avl = Null
2   | Neg of 'a avl * 'a * 'a avl
3   | Pos of 'a avl * 'a * 'a avl
4   | Eq of 'a avl * 'a * 'a avl
```
Representation
Representation
Insertion

- If the tree is a leaf, i.e., empty, an *internal* node is created with two new leaves.
- If the tree is non-empty, the new value is compared with the value at the root.
  → If it is larger, it is inserted to the right.
  → Otherwise, it is inserted to the left.

- **Caveat:** Insertion may increase the depth and thus may destroy the *AVL* property!
- That must be subsequently dealt with ...
```ocaml
let rec insert x avl = match avl
  with Null -> (Eq (Null, x, Null), true)
  | Eq (left, y, right) -> if x < y then
    let (left, inc) = insert x left
    in if inc then (Neg (left, y, right), true)
    else (Eq (left, y, right), false)
  else let (right, inc) = insert x right
    in if inc then (Pos (left, y, right), true)
    else (Eq (left, y, right), false)
  ...
```

- Besides the new AVL tree, the function `insert` also returns the information whether the depth of the result has increased.
- If the depth is not increased, the marking of the root need not be changed.
| Neg (left,y,right) -> if x < y then
|     let (left,inc) = insert x left
|     in if inc then let (avl,_) = rotateRight (left,y,right)
|         in (avl,false)
|     else (Neg (left,y,right), false)
| else let (right,inc) = insert x right
|     in if inc then (Eq (left,y,right), false)
|     else (Neg (left,y,right), false)
| Pos (left,y,right) -> if x < y then
|     let (left,inc) = insert x left
|     in if inc then (Eq (left,y,right), false)
|     else (Pos (left,y,right), false)
| else let (right,inc) = insert x right
|     in if inc then let (avl,_) = rotateLeft (left,y,right)
|         in (avl,false)
|     else (Pos (left,y,right), false);
Comments

- Insertion into the less deep subtree never increases the total depth. The depths of the two subtrees, though, may become equal.
- Insertion into the deeper subtree may increase the difference in depth to 2. Then the node at the root must be rotated in order to decrease the difference ...
rotateRight
rotateRight
rotateRight
rotateRight
rotateRight
let rotateRight (left, y, right) = match left
    with Eq (l1,y1,r1) -> (Pos (l1, y1, Neg (r1,y,right)), false)
    | Neg (l1,y1,r1) -> (Eq (l1, y1, Eq (r1,y,right)), true)
    | Pos (l1, y1, Eq (l2,y2,r2)) ->
        (Eq (Eq (l1,y1,l2), y2, Eq (r2,y,right)), true)
    | Pos (l1, y1, Neg (l2,y2,r2)) ->
        (Eq (Eq (l1,y1,l2), y2, Pos (r2,y,right)), true)
    | Pos (l1, y1, Pos (l2,y2,r2)) ->
        (Eq (Neg (l1,y1,l2), y2, Eq (r2,y,right)), true)

• The extra bit now indicates whether the depth of the tree after rotation has decreased ...
• This is not the case only when the deeper subtree is of the form \( Eq (\ldots) \) — which does never occur here.
rotateLeft
rotateLeft
rotateLeft
rotateLeft
rotateLeft
let rotateLeft (left, y, right) = match right with
  | Eq (l1,y1,r1) -> (Neg (Pos (left,y,l1), y1, r1), false)
  | Pos (l1,y1,r1) -> (Eq (Eq (left,y,l1), y1, r1), true)
  | Neg (Eq (l1,y1,r1), y2 ,r2) ->
  | Neg (Neg (l1,y1,r1), y2 ,r2) ->
  | Pos (l1,y1,r1), y2 ,r2) ->
  | Neg (Pos (l1,y1,r1), y2 ,r2) ->
  | Neg (Neg (left,y,l1), y1, Eq (r1,y2,r2)), true)
  | Pos (l1,y1,r1), y2 ,r2) ->
  | Neg (Pos (l1,y1,r1), y2 ,r2) ->
  | Neg (Neg (left,y,l1), y1, Eq (r1,y2,r2)), true)

- rotateLeft is analogous to rotateRight — only with the roles of Pos and Neg exchanged.
- Again, the depth shrinks almost always.
Insertion requires at most as many calls of \texttt{insert} as the depth of the tree.

After returning from a call for a subtree, at most three nodes must be re-arranged.

The total effort therefore is bounded by a constant multiple to \( \log(n) \).

In general, though, we are not interested in the extra bit at every call. Therefore, we define:

```
1  let insert x tree = let (tree,_) = insert x tree
2       in    tree
```
Extraction of the Minimum

- The minimum occurs at the leftmost internal node.
- It is found by recursively visiting the left subtree. The leftmost node is found when the left subtree equals Null.
- Removal of a leaf may reduce the depth and thus may destroy the AVL property.
- After each call, the tree must be locally repaired ...
let rec extract_min avl = match avl
    with Null               -> (None, Null, false)
    | Eq (Null,y,right)    -> (Some y, right, true)
    | Eq (left,y,right)    -> let (first,left,dec) = extract_min left
                            in if dec then (first, Pos (left,y,right), false)
                              else (first, Eq (left,y,right), false)
    | Neg (left,y,right)   -> let (first,left,dec) = extract_min left
                            in if dec then (first, Eq (left,y,right), true)
                              else (first, Neg (left,y,right), false)
    | Pos (Null,y,right)   -> (Some y, right, true)
    | Pos (left,y,right)   -> let (first,left,dec) = extract_min left
                            in if dec then let (avl,b) = rotateLeft (left,y,right)
                              in (first,avl,b)
                              else (first, Pos (left,y,right), false)
Discussion

- Rotation is only required when extracting from a tree of the form `Pos (...)` and the depth of the left subtree is decreased.
- Altogether, the number of recursive calls is bounded by the depth. For every call, at most three nodes are re-arranged.
- Therefore, the total effort is bounded by a constant multiple of $\log(n)$.
- Functions for maximum or last element from an interval are constructed analogously ...
5  Practical Features of OCaml

- Exceptions
- Input and Output as Side-effects
- Sequences
5.1 Exceptions

In case of a runtime error, e.g., division by zero, the OCaml system generates an exception:

```
1    # 1 / 0;;
2    Exception: Division_by_zero.
3
4    # List.tl (List.tl [1]);;
5    Exception: Failure "tl".
6
7    # Char.chr 300;;
8    Exception: Invalid_argument "Char.chr".
```

Here, the exceptions Division_by_zero, Failure "tl" and Invalid_argument "Char.chr" are generated.
Another reason for an exception is an **incomplete match**:

```plaintext
1   # match 1+1 with 0 -> "null";;
2   Warning: this pattern-matching is not exhaustive.
3   Here is an example of a value that is not matched:
4   1
5   Exception: Match_failure ("", 2, -9).
```

In this case, the exception `Match_failure ("", 2, -9)` is generated.
Pre-defined Constructors for Exceptions

- Division_by_zero
- Invalid_argument of string
- Failure of string
- Match_failure of string * int * int
- Not_found
- Out_of_memory
- End_of_file
- Exit

division by 0
wrong usage
general error
incomplete match
not found
memory exhausted
end of file
for the user ...

An exception is a **first class citizen**, i.e., a value from a datatype exn ...
Own exceptions are introduced by extending the datatype \texttt{exn} ...
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Handling of Exceptions

As in Java, exceptions can be raised and handled:

```haskell
1   let divide (n,m) = try Some (n / m)
2       with Division_by_zero -> None;;
3
4   # divide (10,3);;
5   - : int option = Some 3
6   # divide (10,0);;
7   - : int option = None
```

In this way, the member function can, e.g., be re-defined as
let rec member x l = try if x = List.hd l then true
   else member x (List.tl l)
   with Failure _ -> false

# member 2 [1;2;3];;
- : bool = true
# member 4 [1;2;3];;
- : bool = false

Following the keyword with, the exception value can be inspected by means of pattern matching for the exception datatype exn:

try <exn>
with <pat1> -> <exp1> | ... | <patN> -> <expN>

⇒ several exceptions can be caught (and thus handled) at the same time.
The programmer may trigger exceptions on his/her own by means of the keyword `raise` ...

```
1  # 1 + (2 / 0);
2  Exception: Division_by_zero.
3
4  # 1 + raise Division_by_zero;;
5  Exception: Division_by_zero.
```

An exception is an error value which can replace any expression.

Handling of an exception, results in the evaluation of another expression (of the correct type) — or raises another exception.
Exception handling may occur at any sub-expression, arbitrarily nested:

```ocaml
# let f (x, y) = x / (y - 1);;

# let g (x, y) = try let n = try f (x,y)
    with Division_by_zero ->
    raise (Failure "Division by zero")
    in string_of_int (n * n)
    with Failure str -> "Error: "^str;;

# g (6, 1);;
- : string = "Error: Division by zero"

# g (6, 3);;
- : string = "9"
```
5.2 Textual Input and Output

- Reading from the input and writing to the output violates the paradigm of purely functional programming!
- These operations are therefore realized by means of side-effects, i.e., by means of functions whose return value is irrelevant (e.g., unit).
- During execution, though, the required operation is executed now, the ordering of the evaluation matters !!!
Naturally, OCaml allows to write to standard output:

```
1   # print_string "Hello World!\n";;
2   Hello World!
3   - : unit = ()
```

Analogously, there is a function: `read_line : unit -> string` ...

```
1   # read_line ();;
2   Hello World!
3   - : string = "Hello World!"
```
In order to read from file, the file must be opened for reading ...

```ocaml
1 # let infile = open_in "test";;
2 val infile : in_channel = <abstr>
3
4 # input_line infile;;
5 - : string = "The file's single line ...";;
6
7 # input_line infile;;
8 Exception: End_of_file
```

If there is no further line, the exception **End_of_file** is raised. If a channel is no longer required, it should be explicitly closed ...

```ocaml
1 # close_in infile;;
2 - : unit = ()
```
Further Useful Values

1. `stdin` : `in_channel`
2. `input_char` : `in_channel -> char`
3. `in_channel_length` : `in_channel -> int`

- `stdin` is the standard input as channel.
- `input_char` returns the next character of the channel.
- `in_channel_length` returns the total length of the channel.
Output to files is analogous ...

```
# let outfile = open_out "test";;
val outfile : out_channel = <abstr>

# output_string outfile "Hello ";;
- : unit = ()

# output_string outfile "World!\n";;
- : unit = ()

... 
```

The words written separately, may only occur inside the file, once the file has been closed ...

```
# close_out outfile;;
- : unit = ()
```
5.3 Sequences

In presence of side-effects, ordering matters!
Several actions can be sequenced by means of the sequence operator ; :

```plaintext
1  # print_string "Hello";
2  print_string " ";
3  print_string "world!\n";;
4  Hello world!
5  - : unit = ()
```
Often, several strings must be output!
Given a list of strings, the list functional `List.iter` can be used:

```plaintext
1   # let rec iter f = function
2       []    -> ()
3     | x::[] -> f x
4     | x::xs -> f x; iter f xs;;
5
6  val iter : ('a -> unit) -> 'a list -> unit = <fun>
7
8  # iter print_string ["Hello "; "world";"!
9               Hello world!
```
6 The Module System of OCaml

→ Modules
→ Signatures
→ Information Hiding
→ Functors
→ Separate Compilation
6.1 Modules

In order to organize larger software systems, OCaml offers the concept of modules:

```ocaml
module Pairs =
  struct
    type 'a pair = 'a * 'a
    let pair (a,b) = (a,b)
    let first (a,b) = a
    let second (a,b) = b
  end
```
On this input, the compiler answers with the type of the module, its **signature**:

```plaintext
module Pairs :
  sig
    type 'a pair = 'a * 'a
    val pair : 'a * 'b -> 'a * 'b
    val first : 'a * 'b -> 'a
    val second : 'a * 'b -> 'b
  end
```

The definitions inside the module are **not visible** outside:

```plaintext
# first;;
Unbound value first
```
Access onto Components of a Module

Components of a module can be accessed via qualification:

```ml
1   # Pairs.first;;
2   - : 'a * 'b -> 'a = <fun>
```

Thus, several functions can be defined all with the same name:

```ml
1   # module Triples =
2     struct
3       type 'a triple = Triple of 'a * 'a * 'a
4     let first (Triple (a, _, _)) = a
5     let second (Triple (_, b, _)) = b
6     let third (Triple (_, _, c)) = c
7       end;;
8   ...
```
... module Triples :
   sig
      type 'a triple = Triple of 'a * 'a * 'a
      val first : 'a triple -> 'a
      val second : 'a triple -> 'a
      val third : 'a triple -> 'a
   end

# Triples.first;;
- : 'a Triples.triple -> 'a = <fun>
... or several implementations of the same function:

```ocaml
# module Pairs2 =

  struct
    type 'a pair = bool -> 'a
    let pair (a, b) = fun x -> if x then a else b
    let first ab = ab true
    let second ab = ab false
  end;;
```
Opening Modules

In order to avoid explicit qualification, all definitions of a module can be made directly accessible:

```ocaml
1  # open Pairs2;;
2
3  # pair;;
4  - : 'a * 'a -> bool -> 'a = <fun>
5
6  # pair (4,3) true;;
7  - : int = 4
```

the keyword include allows to include the definitions of another module into the present module ...
1  # module A = struct let x = 1 end;;
2  module A : sig val x : int end
3
4  # module B =
5   struct
6     open A
7     let y = 2
8   end;;
9  module B : sig val y : int end
10
11  # module C =
12   struct
13     include A
14     include B
15   end;;
16  module C : sig val x : int val y : int end
Nested Modules

Modules may again contain modules:

```plaintext
module Quads = struct
  module Pairs =
    struct
      type 'a pair = 'a * 'a
      let pair (a,b) = (a,b)
      let first (a,_) = a
      let second (_,b) = b
    end

type 'a quad = 'a Pairs.pair Pairs.pair
  let quad (a,b,c,d) =
    Pairs.pair (Pairs.pair (a,b), Pairs.pair (c,d))
  ...
```
let first q = Pairs.first (Pairs.first q)
let second q = Pairs.second (Pairs.first q)
let third q = Pairs.first (Pairs.second q)
let fourth q = Pairs.second (Pairs.second q)

# Quads.quad (1, 2, 3, 4);
- : (int * int) * (int * int) = ((1, 2), (3, 4))

# Quads.Pairs.first;;
- : 'a * 'b -> 'a = <fun>
6.2 Module Types or Signatures

Signatures allow to restrict what a module may export.

Explicit indication of the signature allows
- to restrict the set of exported variables;
- to restrict the set of exported types ...

... an Example
module Sort = struct

  let single lst = map (fun x -> [x]) lst

  let rec merge l1 l2 = match (l1, l2)
    with ([],_ ) -> l2
    | (_,[])  -> l1
    | (x::xs,y::ys) -> if x <= y then x :: merge xs l2
                       else y :: merge l1 ys

  let rec merge_lists = function
    [] -> [] | [l] -> [l]
    | l1::l2::ll -> merge l1 l2 :: merge_lists ll

  let sort lst = let lst = single lst
                in let rec doit = function
                     [] -> [] | [l] -> l
                     | l -> doit (merge_lists l)
                in doit lst
end
The implementation allows to access the auxiliary functions `single`, `merge` and `merge_lists` from the outside:

```plaintext
1   # Sort.single [1;2;3];;
2   val list list = [[1]; [2]; [3]]
```

In order to hide the functions `single` and `merge_lists`, we introduce the signature

```plaintext
1   module type Sort = sig
2     val merge : 'a list -> 'a list -> 'a list
3     val sort : 'a list -> 'a list
4   end
```
The functions **single** and **merge_lists** are no longer exported:

```haskell
module MySort : Sort = Sort;;
module MySort : Sort

# MySort.single;;
Unbound value MySort.single
```
Signatures and Types

The types mentioned in the signature must be Instances of the types for the exported definitions.

In that way, these types are specialized:

```ocaml
module type A1 = sig
  val f : 'a -> 'b -> 'b
end

module type A2 = sig
  val f : int -> char -> int
end

module A = struct
  let f x y = x
end
```
# module A1 : A1 = A;;

Signature mismatch:
Modules do not match: sig val f : 'a -> 'b -> 'a end
        is not included in A1

Values do not match:
val f : 'a -> 'b -> 'a
        is not included in
val f : 'a -> 'b -> 'b

# module A2 : A2 = A;;
module A2 : A2

# A2.f;;
- : int -> char -> int = <fun>
6.3 Information Hiding

For reasons of modularity, we often would like to prohibit that the structure of exported types of a module are visible from the outside.

Example

```ocaml
module ListQueue = struct
  type 'a queue = 'a list
  let empty_queue () = []
  let is_empty = function
       [] -> true | _ -> false
  let enqueue xs y = xs @ [y]
  let dequeue (x::xs) = (x,xs)
end
```
A signature allows to hide the implementation of a queue:

```ocaml
module type Queue = sig

  type 'a queue

  val empty_queue : unit -> 'a queue

  val is_empty : 'a queue -> bool

  val enqueue : 'a queue -> 'a -> 'a queue

  val dequeue : 'a queue -> 'a * 'a queue

end
```
The restriction via signature is sufficient to obfuscate the true nature of the type queue.
If the datatype should be exported together with all constructors, its definition is repeated in the signature:

```plaintext
module type Queue = sig
  type 'a queue = Queue of ('a list * 'a list)

  val empty_queue : unit -> 'a queue

  val is_empty : 'a queue -> bool

  val enqueue : 'a -> 'a queue -> 'a queue

  val dequeue : 'a queue -> 'a option * 'a queue

end
```
6.4 Functors

Since (almost) everything in OCaml is higher order, it is no surprise that there are modules of higher order: Functors.

- A functor receives a sequence of modules as parameters.
- The functor’s body is a module where the functor’s parameters can be used.
- The result is a new module, which is defined relative to the modules passed as parameters.
First, we specify the functor’s argument and result by means of signatures:

```ocaml
module type Decons = sig
  type 'a t
  val decons : 'a t -> ('a * 'a t) option
end

module type GenFold = functor (X : Decons) -> sig
  val fold_left : ('b -> 'a -> 'b) -> 'b -> 'a X.t -> 'b
  val fold_right : ('a -> 'b -> 'b) -> 'a X.t -> 'b -> 'b
  val size : 'a X.t -> int
  val list_of : 'a X.t -> 'a list
  val iter : ('a -> unit) -> 'a X.t -> unit
end
...
module Fold : GenFold = functor (X : Decons) ->
  struct
    let rec fold_left f b t =
      match X.decons t with None -> b |
        Some (x, t) -> fold_left f (f b x) t

    let rec fold_right f t b =
      match X.decons t with None -> b |
        Some (x, t) -> f x (fold_right f t b)

    let size t = fold_left (fun a x -> a + 1) 0 t

    let list_of t = fold_right (fun x xs -> x :: xs) t []

    let iter f t = fold_left (fun () x -> f x) () t
  end

Now, we can apply the functor to the module to obtain a new module ...
module MyQueue = struct open Queue
  type 'a t = 'a queue
  let decons = function
    | Queue (xs, []) -> (match rev xs with [] -> None | x :: xs -> Some (x, Queue (xs, [])))
    | Queue (x :: xs, t) -> Some (x, Queue (xs, t))
end

module MyAVL = struct open AVL
  type 'a t = 'a avl
  let decons avl = match extract_min avl with
    | None, avl -> None
    | Some (a, avl) -> Some (a, avl)
end
By that, we may define

```
1  let sort list = FoldAVL.list_of (2
2       AVL.from_list list)
```

**Caveat**

A module satisfies a signature whenever it implements it! It is not required to explicitly declare that!!
6.5 Separate Compilation

- In reality, deployed OCaml programs will not run within the interactive shell.
- Instead, there is a compiler `ocamlc` ...
  
  ```
  > ocamlc Test.ml
  ```
  that interpretes the contents of the file `Test.ml` as a sequence of definitions of a module `Test`.
- As a result, the compiler `ocamlc` generates the files

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If there is already a file `Test.mli` this is interpreted as the signature for `Test`. Then we call

```
> ocamlc Test.mli Test.ml
```

Given a module `A` and a module `B`, then these should be compiled by

```
> ocamlc B.mli B.ml A.mli A.ml
```

If a re-compilation of `B` should be omitted, `ocamlc` may receive a pre-compiled file

```
> ocamlc B.cmo A.mli A.ml
```

For practical management of required re-compilation after modification of files, Linux offers the tool `make`. The script of required actions then is stored in a `Makefile`.

... alternatively, `dune` can be used.
7 Formal Verification for OCaml

Question

How can we make sure that an OCaml program behaves as it should ???

We require:

- a formal semantics
- means to prove assertions about programs ...
7.1 MiniOCaml

In order to simplify life, we only consider a fragment of OCaml.

We consider ...
- only base types \texttt{int}, \texttt{bool} as well as tuples and lists
- recursive function definitions only at top level

We rule out ...
- modifiable datatypes
- input and output
- local recursive functions
This fragment of OCaml is called MiniOCaml.

Expressions in MiniOCaml can be described by the grammar

\[
E ::= \text{const} \mid \text{name} \mid \text{op}_1 E \mid E_1 \text{op}_2 E_2 \mid (E_1, \ldots, E_k) \mid \text{let name = } E_1 \text{ in } E_0 \mid \text{match } E \text{ with } P_1 \rightarrow E_1 \mid \ldots \mid P_k \rightarrow E_k \mid \text{fun name } \rightarrow E \mid E E_1
\]

\[
P ::= \text{const} \mid \text{name} \mid (P_1, \ldots, P_k) \mid P_1 :: P_2
\]

**Short-cut**

\[
\text{fun } x_1 \rightarrow \ldots \text{fun } x_k \rightarrow e \equiv \text{fun } x_1 \ldots x_k \rightarrow e
\]
Caveat

- The set of admissible expressions must be further restricted to those which are well typed, i.e., for which the OCaml compiler infers a type ...

  \[(1, \{true; false\})\] well typed

  \[(1 \{true; false\})\] not well typed

  \[(\{1; true\}, false)\] not well typed

- We also rule out if ... then ... else ..., since it can be simulated by match ... with true -> ... | false -> ....

- We could also have omitted let ... in ... (why?)
A program consists of a sequence of mutually recursive global definitions of variables $f_1, \ldots, f_m$:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{let rec } & f_1 = E_1 \\
\text{and } & f_2 = E_2 \\
\text{\ldots} & \\
\text{and } & f_m = E_m
\end{align*}
\]
7.2 A Semantics for MiniOCaml

Question

Which value is returned for the expression $E$??

A value is an expression that cannot be further evaluated.
The set of all values can be specified by means of the grammar

$$V ::= \text{const} \mid \text{fun name}_1 \ldots \text{name}_{k} \to E \mid (V_1, \ldots, V_k) \mid [] \mid V_1 :: V_2$$
A MiniOCaml Program ...

```
let rec comp = fun f g x -> f (g x)
and map = fun f list -> match list
          with [] -> []
          | x::xs -> f x :: map f xs
```

Examples of Values ...

```
1 1
2 (1, [true; false])
3 fun x -> 1 + 1
4 [fun x -> x + 1; fun x -> x + 2; fun x -> x + 3]
```
Idea

- We define a relation $e \Rightarrow v$ between expressions and their values big-step operational semantics.
- The relation is defined by means of axioms and rules that follow the structure of $e$.
- Apparently, $v \Rightarrow v$ holds for every value $v$. 
Tuples

\[(TU) \quad \frac{e_1 \Rightarrow v_1 \quad \ldots \quad e_k \Rightarrow v_k}{(e_1, \ldots, e_k) \Rightarrow (v_1, \ldots, v_k)}\]

Lists

\[(LI) \quad \frac{e_1 \Rightarrow v_1 \quad e_2 \Rightarrow v_2}{e_1 :: e_2 \Rightarrow v_1 :: v_2}\]

Global definitions

\[(GD) \quad \frac{f = e \quad e \Rightarrow v}{f \Rightarrow v}\]
Local definitions

(LD) \[
\frac{e_1 \Rightarrow v_1 \quad e_0[v_1/x] \Rightarrow v_0}{\text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_0 \Rightarrow v_0}
\]

Function calls

(APP) \[
\frac{e \Rightarrow \text{fun } x \rightarrow e_0 \quad e_1 \Rightarrow v_1 \quad e_0[v_1/x] \Rightarrow v_0}{e \ e_1 \Rightarrow v_0}
\]
By repeated application of the rule for function calls, a rule for functions with multiple arguments can be derived:

\[
\text{(APP')} \quad \frac{e_0 \Rightarrow \text{fun } x_1 \ldots x_k \rightarrow e \quad e_1 \Rightarrow v_1 \ldots e_k \Rightarrow v_k \quad e[v_1/x_1, \ldots, v_k/x_k] \Rightarrow v}{e_0 \ e_1 \ \ldots \ e_k \Rightarrow v}
\]

This derived rule makes proofs somewhat simpler.
Pattern Matching

\[
(PM) \quad \frac{e_0 \Rightarrow v' \equiv p_i[v_1/x_1, \ldots, v_k/x_k]}{\text{match } e_0 \text{ with } p_1 \rightarrow e_1 \mid \ldots \mid p_m \rightarrow e_m \Rightarrow v} \quad \frac{e_i[v_1/x_1, \ldots, v_k/x_k] \Rightarrow v}{v'}
\]
— given that \( v' \) does not match any of the patterns \( p_1, \ldots, p_{i-1} ;-) \)

Built-in operators

\[
(OP) \quad \frac{e_1 \Rightarrow v_1 \quad e_2 \Rightarrow v_2}{v_1 \text{ op } v_2 \Rightarrow v} \quad \frac{v_1 \text{ op } v_2 \Rightarrow v}{e_1 \text{ op } e_2 \Rightarrow v}
\]

Unary operators are treated analogously.
The built-in equality operator

\[ v = v \implies \text{true} \]

\[ v_1 = v_2 \implies \text{false} \]

given that \( v, v_1, v_2 \) are values that do not contain functions, and \( v_1, v_2 \) are syntactically different.

Example 1

\[
\begin{align*}
17 \implies 17 \quad & 4 \implies 4 \quad 17 + 4 \implies 21 \\
17 + 4 \implies 21 \implies 21 \implies 21 \implies 21 \implies \text{true} \\
17 + 4 = 21 \implies \text{true}
\end{align*}
\]
The built-in equality operator

\[ v = v \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{true} \]
\[ v_1 = v_2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{false} \]

given that \( v, v_1, v_2 \) are values that do not contain functions, and \( v_1, v_2 \) are syntactically different.

Example 1 — omitting axioms
\[ v \Rightarrow v \]

\[
\begin{align*}
(\text{OP}) \quad 17 + 4 & \Rightarrow 21 \\
(\text{OP}) \quad 17 + 4 & \Rightarrow 21 \\
(\text{OP}) \quad 21 = 21 & \Rightarrow \text{true} \\
(\text{OP}) \quad 17 + 4 = 21 & \Rightarrow \text{true}
\end{align*}
\]
Example 2

```
1  let rec f = fun x -> x+1
2  and s = fun y -> y*y
```

```
17 + 4 => 21
```

```
// uses of v => v have mostly been omitted
```
Example 3

```
let rec app = fun x y -> match x
   with []   -> y
   | h::t -> h :: app t y
```

Claim: \[ \text{app } (1::[]) (2::[]) \Rightarrow 1::2::[] \]
// uses of \( v \Rightarrow v \) have mostly been omitted
The big-step operational semantics is not well suited for tracking step-by-step how evaluation by MiniOCaml proceeds.

It is quite convenient, though, for proving that the evaluation of a function for particular argument values terminates:

For that, it suffices to prove that there are values to which the corresponding function calls can be evaluated ...
Example Claim

app \( l_1 \) \( l_2 \) terminates for all list values \( l_1, l_2 \).

Proof

Induction on the length \( n \) of the list \( l_1 \).

\[ n = 0 \]

i.e., \( l_1 = [] \). Then

\[
\text{(GD)} \quad \text{app} \Rightarrow \text{fun} \ x \ y \rightarrow \ \ldots \\
\text{(APP')} \quad \text{app} = \text{fun} \ x \ y \rightarrow \ \ldots \\
\text{(PM)} \quad \text{match} \ [\] \ 	ext{with} \ [] \rightarrow \ l_2 \ | \ \ldots \rightarrow \ l_2
\]

\( \text{app} \ [\] \ l_2 \Rightarrow \ l_2 \)
$n > 0$:

I.e., $l_1 = h :: t$.

In particular, we assume that the claim already holds for all shorter lists. Then we have:

$$\text{app } t \ l_2 \Rightarrow l$$

for some $l$. We deduce

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{(GD)} & \quad \text{app } = \text{fun } x \ y \rightarrow \ldots \\
\quad & \quad \text{app } \Rightarrow \text{fun } x \ y \rightarrow \ldots \\
\text{(APP')} & \quad \text{app } \ (h :: t) \ l_2 \Rightarrow h :: l \\
\text{(PM)} & \quad \text{match } h :: t \ \text{with } \ldots \Rightarrow h :: l \\
\text{(LI)} & \quad \text{app } t \ l_2 \Rightarrow l \\
\text{I.H.} & \quad\text{app } t \ l_2 \Rightarrow l
\end{align*}
\]
The big-step semantics also allows to verify that optimizing transformations are correct, i.e., preserve the semantics.

Finally, it can be used to prove the correctness of assertions about functional programs!

The big-step operational semantics suggests to consider expressions as specifications of values.

Expressions which evaluate to the same values, should be interchangeable ...
Caveat

- In MiniOCaml, equality between values can only be tested if these do not contain functions.
- Such values are called comparable. They are of the form

\[
C \ ::= \ \text{const} \mid (C_1, \ldots, C_k) \mid [] \mid C_1 :: C_2
\]

- Apparently, a value of MiniOCaml is comparable if and only if its type does not contain functions:

\[
c \ ::= \ \text{bool} \mid \text{int} \mid \text{unit} \mid c_1 * \ldots * c_k \mid c \text{ list}
\]
For program optimization, we sometimes may want to exchange functions, e.g.,

\[ \text{comp} (\text{map } f) (\text{map } g) = \text{map} (\text{comp } f \ g) \]

Apparently, the functions to the right and left of the equality sign cannot be compared by OCaml for equality.

Reasoning in logic requires an extended notion of equality!
Extension of Equality

The equality $=_{\text{OCaml}}$ is extended to expression which may not terminate, and functions.

Non-termination

$e_1, e_2 \quad \text{both not terminating}$

$e_1 = e_2$

Termination

$e_1 \Rightarrow v_1 \quad e_2 \Rightarrow v_2 \quad v_1 = v_2$

$e_1 = e_2$
Structured values

\[
\begin{align*}
&v_1 = v'_1 \ldots v_k = v'_k \\
&\left(v_1, \ldots, v_k\right) = \left(v'_1, \ldots, v'_k\right)
\end{align*}
\]

Functions

\[
\begin{align*}
&e_1[v/x_1] = e_2[v/x_2] \quad \text{for all } v \\
&\text{fun } x_1 \rightarrow e_1 = \text{fun } x_2 \rightarrow e_2
\end{align*}
\]

\[\implies\] extensional equality
We have:

\[
\begin{align*}
e & \Rightarrow v \\
\frac{e = v}{\text{true}}
\end{align*}
\]

Assume that the type of \( e_1, e_2 \) is functionfree. Then

\[
\begin{align*}
e_1 = e_2 & \quad e_1 \text{ terminates} \\
\frac{e_1 = e_2 \Rightarrow \text{true}}{\frac{e_1 = e_2 \Rightarrow \text{true}}{e_1 = e_2 \Rightarrow \text{true}}} \\
& \quad e_1 = e_2 \Rightarrow \text{true}
\end{align*}
\]

The crucial tool for our proofs is the ...
Substitution Lemma

\[
\begin{align*}
    e_1 &= e_2 \\
    e[e_1/x] &= e[e_2/x]
\end{align*}
\]

We deduce for functionfree expressions \( e \):

\[
\begin{align*}
    e_1 &= e_2 \\
    e[e_1/x] &= e[e_2/x] & \text{terminate} \\
    e[e_1/x] &= e[e_2/x] & \Rightarrow \text{true}
\end{align*}
\]
Discussion

- The lemma tells us that in every context, all occurrences of the expression $e_1$ can be replaced by the expression $e_2$ — whenever $e_1$ and $e_2$ represent the same values.
- The lemma can be proven by induction on the depth of the required derivations (which we omit).
- The exchange of expressions proven equal, allows us to design a calculus for proving the equivalence of expressions ...
We provide us with a repertoire of rewrite rules for reducing the equality of expressions to the equality of, possibly simpler expressions ...

**Simplification of local definitions**

\[
\begin{align*}
e_1 \text{ terminates} \\
\text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e &= e[e_1/x]
\end{align*}
\]

**Simplification of function calls**

\[
\begin{align*}
e_0 &= \text{fun } x \rightarrow e \\
\quad e_1 \text{ terminates} \\
\Rightarrow e_0 \ e_1 &= e[e_1/x]
\end{align*}
\]
Proof of the let rule

Since $e_1$ terminates, there is a value $v_1$ with

$$e_1 \Rightarrow v_1$$

Due to the Substitution Lemma, we have:

$$e[v_1/x] = e[e_1/x]$$

Case 1: $e[v_1/x]$ terminates.

Then a value $v$ exists with

$$e[v_1/x] \Rightarrow v$$
Then
\[ e[e_1/x] = e[v_1/x] = v \]

Because of the big-step semantics, however, we have:

\[
\text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e \Rightarrow v \quad \text{and therefore,}
\text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e = e[e_1/x]
\]

**Case 2:** \( e[v_1/x] \) does not terminate.

Then \( e[e_1/x] \) does not terminate and neither does \( \text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e \).

Accordingly,

\[
\text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e = e[e_1/x]
\]
By repeated application of the rule for function calls, an extra rule for functions with multiple arguments can be deduced:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{\( e_0 = \text{fun } x_1 \ldots x_k \rightarrow e \quad e_1, \ldots, e_k \quad \text{terminate} \)} \\
\text{\( e_0 e_1 \ldots e_k = e[e_1/x_1, \ldots, e_k/x_k] \)}
\end{align*}
\]

This derived rule allows to shorten some proofs considerably.
Rule for pattern matching

\[
e_0 = []
\]

match \( e_0 \) with \([\ ] \rightarrow e_1 \mid \ldots \mid p_m \rightarrow e_m = e_1 \)

\[
e_0 \text{ terminates} \\
e_0 = e'_1 :: e'_2
\]

match \( e_0 \) with \([\ ] \rightarrow e_1 \mid x :: xs \rightarrow e_2 = e_2[e'_1/x, e'_2/xs] \)

We are now going to apply these rules ...
7.3 Equational Proofs for MiniOCaml

Example 1

```ocaml
let rec app = fun x -> fun y -> match x
               with []  -> y
               | h::t  -> h :: app t y
```

We want to verify that

(1) \( \text{app } x \ [ ] = x \) for all lists \( x \).

(2) \( \text{app } x \ (\text{app } y \ z) = \text{app } (\text{app } x \ y) \ z \)
    for all lists \( x, y, z \).
Idea: Induction on the length $n$ of $x$

$n = 0$ Then $x = []$ holds.

We deduce:

```haskell
app x [] def x = app [] []
  app = match [] with [] -> [] | h::t -> h :: app t []
match = []
def x = x
```
Then: \( x = h::t \) where \( t \) has length \( n - 1 \).

We deduce:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{app } x \qquad &\text{def } x \quad \text{app } (h::t) \; [] \\
\text{app } &= \text{match } h::t \text{ with } [] \rightarrow [] \mid h::t \rightarrow h :: \text{app } t \; [] \\
\text{match } &= h :: \text{app } t \; [] \\
\text{I.H. } &= h :: t \\
\text{def } x &= x
\end{align*}
\]
Analogously we proceed for assertion (2) ...

\[ n = 0 \]  
Then:  \( x = [] \)

We deduce:

\[
\text{app } x \ (\text{app } y \ z) \overset{\text{def}}{=} x  
\underset{\text{app}}{=\text{app } [] \ (\text{app } y \ z)}  
\underset{\text{match}}{=} \text{match } [] \ \text{with } [] \rightarrow \text{app } y \ z \ | \ h::t \rightarrow \ldots  
\underset{\text{match}}{=} \text{app } y \ z  
\underset{\text{match}}{=} \text{app } (\text{match } [] \ \text{with } [] \rightarrow y \ | \ \ldots) \ z  
\underset{\text{app}}{=} \text{app } (\text{app } [] \ y) \ z  
\underset{\text{def } x}{=} \text{app } (\text{app } x \ y) \ z
\]
Then $x = h::t$ where $t$ has length $n - 1$.

We deduce:

$$
	ext{def } x = \text{app } (h::t) (\text{app } y \ z)
$$

$$
\text{app} = \text{match } h::t \text{ with } [] \rightarrow \text{app } y \ z
$$

$$
| h::t \rightarrow h :: \text{app } t (\text{app } y \ z)
$$

$$
\text{match} = h :: \text{app } t (\text{app } y \ z)
$$

$$
\text{I.H.} = h :: \text{app } (\text{app } t \ y) \ z
$$

$$
\text{match,app} = \text{app } (h :: \text{app } t \ y) \ z
$$

$$
\text{match} = \text{app } (\text{match } h::t \text{ with } [] \rightarrow []
$$

$$
| h::t \rightarrow h :: \text{app } t \ y) \ z
$$

$$
\text{app} = \text{app } (\text{app } (h::t) \ y) \ z
$$

$$
\text{def } x = \text{app } (\text{app } x \ y) \ z
$$
Discussion

- For the correctness of our induction proofs, we require that all occurring function calls terminate.
- In the example, it suffices to prove that for all \( x, y \), there exists some \( v \) such that:
  \[
  \text{app} \; x \; y \Rightarrow v
  \]
  ... which we have already proven, as usual, by induction.
Example 2

```ocaml
let rec rev = fun x -> match x
  with [] -> []
  | h::t -> app (rev t) [h]

let rec rev1 = fun x -> fun y -> match x
  with [] -> y
  | h::t -> rev1 t (h::y)
```

Claim

\[ \text{rev} \; x = \text{rev1} \; x \; [] \quad \text{for all lists} \; x. \]
More generally,

$$\text{app (rev } x) \ y = \text{rev1 } x \ y$$  for all lists $x, \ y$.

**Proof:** Induction on the length $n$ of $x$

$n = 0$ Then: $x = \[]$. We deduce:

$$\text{app (rev } x) \ y \overset{\text{def } x}{=} \text{app (rev } \[]) \ y$$

$$\overset{\text{rev}}{=} \text{app (match } \[] \text{ with } \[] \rightarrow \[] \mid \ldots) \ y$$

$$\overset{\text{match}}{=} \text{app } \[] \ y$$

$$\overset{\text{app,match}}{=} y$$

$$\overset{\text{match}}{=} \text{match } \[] \text{ with } \[] \rightarrow y \mid \ldots$$

$$\overset{\text{rev1}}{=} \text{rev1 } \[] \ y$$

$$\overset{\text{def } x}{=} \text{rev1 } x \ y$$
Then \( x = h::t \) where \( t \) has length \( n - 1 \).

We deduce (omitting simple intermediate steps):

\[
\text{app (rev x) y} \overset{\text{def } x}{=} \text{app (rev (h::t)) y} \\
\overset{\text{rev,match}}{=} \text{app (app (rev t) [h]) y} \\
\overset{\text{by example 1}}{=} \text{app (rev t) (app [h] y)} \\
\overset{\text{(app,match)\(^2\)}}{=} \text{app (rev t) (h::y)} \\
\overset{\text{I.H.}}{=} \text{rev1 t (h::y)} \\
\overset{\text{match,rev1}}{=} \text{rev1 (h::t) y} \\
\overset{\text{def x}}{=} \text{rev1 x y}
\]

\( n > 0 \)
Discussion

- Again, we have implicitly assumed that all calls of app, rev and rev1 terminate.
- Termination of these can be proven by induction on the length of their first arguments.
- The claim:
  \[ \text{rev } x = \text{rev1 } x \ [] \]
  follows from:
  \[ \text{app } (\text{rev } x) y = \text{rev1 } x y \]
  by setting: \( y = [] \) and assertion (1) from example 1.
Example 3

```ocaml
let rec sorted = fun x -> match x
  with h1::h2::t -> (match h1 <= h2
    with true -> sorted (h2::t)
      | false -> false)
  | _ -> true

and merge = fun x -> fun y -> match (x,y)
  with ([] ,y) -> y
  | (x,[]) -> x
  | (x1::xs, y1::ys) -> (match x1 <= y1
    with true -> x1 :: merge xs y
    | false -> y1 :: merge x ys)
```
Claim

sorted x \land sorted y \rightarrow sorted (merge x y)

for all lists x, y.

Proof: Induction on the sum n of lengths of x, y.

Assume that sorted x \land sorted y holds.

\begin{align*}
\text{\textcolor{red}{n = 0}} & \quad \text{Then: } x = [] = y \\
\end{align*}

We deduce:

\[ \text{sorted (merge x y)} \overset{\text{def}}{=} \text{sorted (merge [] [])} \]
\[ \overset{\text{merge,match}}{=} \text{sorted []} \]
\[ \overset{\text{sorted}}{=} \text{true} \]
Case 1:  \( x = [] \).

We deduce:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{sorted (merge } x \ y) & \overset{\text{def } x}{=} \text{sorted (merge } [] \ y) \\
\text{merge,match} & = \text{sorted } y \\
\text{by assumption} & = \text{true}
\end{align*}
\]

Case 2:  \( y = [] \)  analogous.
Case 3: \( x = x_1::xs \land y = y_1::ys \land x_1 \leq y_1 \).

We deduce:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{def } x,y &= \text{sorted} \left( \text{merge} \ (x_1::xs) \ (y_1::ys) \right) \\
\text{merge,match,x}_1 \leq y_2 &= \text{sorted} \left( x_1 :: \text{merge} \ xs \ (y_1::ys) \right) \\
\text{def } y &= \text{sorted} \left( x_1 :: \text{merge} \ xs \ y \right) \\
&= \ldots
\end{align*}
\]

Case 3.1: \( xs = [] \)

We deduce:

\[
\begin{align*}
\ldots &= \text{sorted} \left( x_1 :: \text{merge} \ [\ ] \ y \right) \\
\text{merge,match} &= \text{sorted} \left( x_1 :: \ y \right) \\
\text{sorted,match,x}_1 \leq y_1 &= \text{sorted} \ y \\
\text{by assumption} &= \text{true}
\end{align*}
\]
Case 3.2: \[ \text{xs} = x2::xs' \land x2 \leq y1. \]

In particular: \[ x1 \leq x2 \land \text{sorted xs}. \]

We deduce:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{def } \text{xs} & = \text{sorted (x1 :: merge (x2::xs') y)} \\
\text{merge,match,x2} \leq y1 & = \text{sorted (x1 :: x2 :: merge xs' y)} \\
\text{sorted,match,x1} \leq x2 & = \text{sorted (x2 :: merge xs' y)} \\
\text{match,merge} & = \text{sorted (merge xs y)} \\
\text{I.H.} & = \text{true}
\end{align*}
\]
Case 3.3: \[xs = x_2::xs' \land x_2 > y_1.\]

In particular: \[x_1 \leq y_1 < x_2 \land \text{sorted } xs.\]

We deduce:

\[
\text{def } xs/y = \begin{align*}
\text{sorted (} x_1 :: & \text{ merge (} x_2::xs' \text{)} (y_1::ys) ) \\
\text{merge,match,y1 < x2} = & \text{ sorted (} x_1 :: y_1 :: \text{ merge (} x_2::xs' \text{)} ys) \\
\text{def xs} = & \text{ sorted (} x_1 :: y_1 :: \text{ merge xs ys) } \\
\text{sorted,match,x1 \leq y1} = & \text{ sorted (} y_1 :: \text{ merge xs ys) } \\
\text{match,merge} = & \text{ sorted (merge xs y) } \\
\text{I.H.} = & \text{ true}
\end{align*}
\]
Case 4: \( x = x_1 :: xs \land y = y_1 :: ys \land x_1 > y_1. \)

We deduce:

\[
\text{sorted} (\text{merge} \ x \ y) = \text{sorted} (\text{merge} \ (x_1 :: xs) \ (y_1 :: ys))
\]

\[
\text{merge}, \text{match}, y_1 < x_1 \quad = \quad \text{sorted} \ (y_1 :: \text{merge} \ (x_1 :: xs) \ ys)
\]

\[
\text{def} \ x = \text{sorted} \ (y_1 :: \text{merge} \ x \ ys)
\]

\[
\ldots
\]

Case 4.1: \( ys = [] \)

We deduce:

\[
\text{def} \ ys = \text{sorted} \ (y_1 :: \text{merge} \ x \ [])
\]

\[
\text{merge}, \text{match} \quad = \quad \text{sorted} \ (y_1 :: x)
\]

\[
\text{sorted}, \text{match}, y_1 < x_1 \quad = \quad \text{sorted} \ x
\]

by assumption

= true
Case 4.2: \( ys = y2::ys' \land x1 > y2 \).  

In particular: \( y1 \leq y2 \land \text{sorted} \ ys \).

We deduce:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{def } ys & \quad = \quad \text{sorted} \ (y1 :: \text{merge} \ x \ (y2::ys')) \\
\text{merge,match,y2} < x1 & \quad = \quad \text{sorted} \ (y1 :: y2 :: \text{merge} \ x \ ys') \\
\text{sorted,match,y1} \leq y2 & \quad = \quad \text{sorted} \ (y2 :: \text{merge} \ x \ ys') \\
\text{match,merge} & \quad = \quad \text{sorted} \ (\text{merge} \ x \ ys) \\
\text{I.H.} & \quad = \quad \text{true}
\end{align*}
\]
Case 4.3: \( ys = y2::ys' \land x1 \leq y2 \).

In particular: \( y1 < x1 \leq y2 \land \text{sorted } ys \).

We deduce:

\[
\begin{align*}
def x,ys &= \text{sorted} \ (y1 :: \text{merge} \ (x1::xs) \ (y2::ys')) \\
merge,\text{match},x1 \leq y2 &= \text{sorted} \ (y1 :: x1 :: \text{merge} \ xs \ (y2::ys')) \\
def ys &= \text{sorted} \ (y1 :: x1 :: \text{merge} \ xs \ ys) \\
\text{sorted},\text{match},y1 < x1 &= \text{sorted} \ (x1 :: \text{merge} \ xs \ ys) \\
\text{match},\text{merge} &= \text{sorted} \ (\text{merge} \ x \ ys) \\
\text{I.H.} &= \text{true} \ \text{by induction hypothesis}
\end{align*}
\]
Discussion

- Again, we have assumed for the proof that all calls of the functions `sorted` and `merge` terminate.
- As an additional techniques, we required a thorough case distinction over the various possibilities for arguments in calls.
- The case distinction made the proof longish and cumbersome.
  // The case $n = 0$ is in fact superfluous.
  // since it is covered by the cases 1 and 2
Parallel Programming

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When your program requires multiple threads, use

```
1  ocamlc -I +unix unix.cma -I +threads threads.cma <my files>
2  ocamlopt -I +unix unix.cmxa -I +threads threads.cmxa <my files>
```

When you want to play with it within utop, use the following sequence of commands:

```
1  #thread;;
2  #directory "+unix";;
3  #load "unix.cma";;
4  #directory "+threads";;
5  #load "threads.cma";;
```

Or load directly via:

```
1  utop -I +unix -I +threads
```
module Echo = struct
  open Thread

  let echo () = print_string (read_line () ^ "\n")

  let main =
    let t1 = create echo () in
    join t1;
    print_int (id (self ()));
    print_string "\n"
end
The module **Thread** collects basic functionality for the creation of concurrency.

The function `create: ('a -> 'b) -> 'a -> t` creates a new thread with the following properties:

- The thread evaluates the function for its argument.
- The creating thread receives the thread id as the return value and proceeds independently.
- By means of the functions: `self : unit -> t` and `id : t -> int`, the own thread id can be queried and turned into an `int`, respectively.
Further useful Functions

- The function `join: t -> unit` blocks the current thread until the evaluation of the given thread has terminated.
- The function `kill: t -> unit` stops a given thread (not implemented);
- The function `delay: float -> unit` delays the current thread by a time period in seconds;
- The function `exit: unit -> unit` terminates the current thread.
... running the compiled code yields:

```bash
1 > ./a.out
2 Hello Echo!
3 Hello Echo!
4 0
5 >
```

- OCaml threads are only emulated by the runtime system.
- The creation of threads is cheap.
- Program execution terminates with the termination of the thread with the id 0.
## 8.1 Channels

Threads communicate via channels. The module `Event` provides basic functionality for the creation of channels, sending and receiving:

```ocaml
1  type 'a channel
2  type 'a event
3
4  val new_channel : unit -> 'a channel
5  val always : 'a -> 'a event
6  val sync : 'a event -> 'a
7  val receive : 'a channel -> 'a event
8  val send : 'a channel -> 'a -> unit event
```
- Each call `new_channel()` creates another channel.
- **Arbitrary** data may be sent across a channel !!!
- `always` wraps a value into an `event`.
- Sending and receiving generates `events` ...
- **Synchronization** on evente returns their `values`.

```ocaml
module Exchange = struct
  open Thread
  open Event

let thread ch = let x = sync (receive ch) in
    print_string (x ^ "\n");
    sync (send ch "got it!")

let main = let ch = new_channel () in
    let _ = create thread ch in
    print_string "main is running ...\n"
    sync (send ch "Greetings!");
    print_string ("It " ^ sync (receive ch) ^ "\n")
end
```
**Discussion**

- **sync (send ch str)** exposes the event of sending to the outside world and blocks the sender, until another thread has read the value from the channel ...

- **sync (receive ch)** blocks the receiver, until a value has been made available on the channel. Then this value is returned as the result.

- Synchronous communication is one alternative for exchange of data between threads as well as for orchestration of concurrency $\rightarrow$ rendezvous

- It can be used to realize asynchronous communication between threads.
In the example, `main` spawns a thread. Then it sends it a string and waits for the answer. Accordingly, the new thread waits for the transfer of a `string` value over the channel. As soon as the string is received, an answer is sent on the same channel.

**Caveat**

If the ordering of `send` and `receive` is not carefully designed, threads easily get blocked ...

Execution of the program yields:

```
1  > ./a.out
2  main is running ...
3  Greetings!
4  It got it!
5  >
```
Example: A global memory cell

A global memory cell, in particular in presence of multiple threads, can be realized by implementing the signature `Cell`:

```ocaml
module type Cell = sig
  type 'a cell

  val new_cell : 'a -> 'a cell
  val get : 'a cell -> 'a
  val put : 'a cell -> 'a -> unit

end
```

The implementation must take care that the `get` and `put` calls are sequentialized.
This task is delegated to a server thread that reacts to get and put:

```ocaml
1  type 'a req = Get of 'a channel | Put of 'a
2  type 'a cell = 'a req channel
```

The channel transports requests to the memory cell, which either provide the new value or the back channel ...
let get cell = let reply = new_channel () in
  sync (send cell (Get reply));
  sync (receive reply)

The function `get` sends a new back channel on the channel `cell`. If the latter is received, it waits for the return value.

let put cell x = sync (send cell (Put x))

The function `put` sends a `Put` element which contains the new value for the memory cell.
Of interest now is the implementation of the cell itself:

```
1 let new_cell x =
2   let cell = new_channel () in
3   let rec serve x =
4     match sync (receive cell) with
5      | Get reply ->
6        sync (send reply x);
7        serve x
8      | Put y -> serve y
9     in
10    let _ = create serve x in
11   cell
```
Creation of the cell with initial value $x$ spawns a server thread that evaluates the call `serve x`.

Caveat

The server thread is possibly non-terminating!
This is why it can respond to arbitrarily many requests.
Only because it is tail-recursive, it does not successively consume the whole storage ...
let main =
  let cell = new_cell 1 in
  print_int (get cell);
  print_string "\n";
  put cell 2;
  print_int (get cell);
  print_string "\n"

Now, the execution yields

> ./a.out

1
2
2
>

Instead of `get` and `put`, also more complex query or update operations could be executed by the `cell` server ...
Example:    Locks

Often, only one at a time out of several active threads should be allowed access to a
given resource. In order to realize such a **mutual exclusion**, locks can be applied:

```ocaml
module type Lock = sig
  type lock
  type ack

  val new_lock : unit -> lock
  val acquire : lock -> ack
  val release : ack -> unit

end
```
Execution of the operation `acquire` returns an element of type `ack` which is used to return the lock:

```ocaml
1  type ack = unit channel
2  type lock = ack channel
```

For simplicity, `ack` is chosen itself as the channel by which the lock is returned.

```ocaml
1  let acquire lock = let ack = new_channel () in
2      sync (send lock ack);
3      ack
```
The unlock channel is created by \textbf{acquire} itself

\begin{verbatim}
let release ack = sync (send ack ())
\end{verbatim}

... and used by the operation \textbf{release}.

\begin{verbatim}
let new_lock () =
  let lock = new_channel () in
  let rec acq_server () = rel_server (sync (receive lock))
  and rel_server ack =
    sync (receive ack);
  acq_server ()
  in
let _ = create acq_server () in
lock
\end{verbatim}
Core of the implementation are the two mutually recursive functions `acq_server` and `rel_server`.

`acq_server` expects an element `ack`, i.e., a channel, and upon reception, calls `rel_server`. `rel_server` expects a signal on the received channel indicated that the lock is released ...

Now we are in the position to realize a decent `deadlock`...
let dead =
  let l1 = new_lock () in
  let l2 = new_lock () in
  let th (l1, l2) =
    let a1 = acquire l1 in
    let _ = delay 1.0 in
    let a2 = acquire l2 in
    release a2; release a1;
    print_int (id (self ())); print_string " finished\n"
in
let t1 = create th (l1, l2) in
let t2 = create th (l2, l1) in
join t1

The result is

> ./a.out

OCaml waits forever ...
Occasionally, there is more than one copy of a resource. Then semaphores are the method of choice ...

```ocaml
module type Sema = sig
  type sema
  val new_sema : int -> sema
  val up : sema -> unit
  val down : sema -> unit
end
```
Idea

Again, a server is realized using an accumulating parameter, now maintaining the number of free resources or, if zero, the queue of waiting threads ...

```plaintext
module Sema = struct
  open Thread
  open Event

  type sema = unit channel option channel

  let up sema = sync (send sema None)

  let down sema =
    let ack = (new_channel () : unit channel) in
    sync (send sema (Some ack));
    sync (receive ack)
...
```
let new_sema n = let sema = new_channel () in
  let rec serve (n, q) =
    match sync (receive sema) with
    | None -> ( match dequeue q with
      | None, q -> serve (n + 1, q)
      | Some ack, q -> sync (send ack ());
        serve (n, q))
    | Some ack ->
      if n > 0 then ( syn
      sync (send ack ());
      serve (n - 1, q))
      else serve (n, enqueue ack q) in
    let _ = create serve (n, new_queue ()) in
  sema
end

Apparently, the queue does not maintain the waiting threads, but only their back channels.
8.2 Selective Communication

A thread need not necessarily know which of several possible communication rendezvous will occur or will occur first. Required is a non-deterministic choice between several actions ...

Example: The function

\[
\text{add} : \text{int channel} \times \text{int channel} \times \text{int channel} \rightarrow \text{unit}
\]

is meant to read integers from two channels and send their sum to the third.
First Attempt

```plaintext
let forever f init =
  let rec loop x = loop (f x) in
  let _ = create loop init in
()  

let add1 (in1, in2, out) =
  forever
    (fun () -> sync (send out (sync (receive in1) +
    sync (receive in2))))
()  

Disadvantage

If a value arrives at the second input channel first, the thread nonetheless must wait.
```
Second Attempt

```plaintext
let add (in1, in2, out) =
  forever
    (fun () ->
      let a, b = select [
        let wrap (receive in1) (fun a -> (a, sync (receive in2)));
        let wrap (receive in2) (fun b -> (sync (receive in1), b))
      ]
    in
      sync (send out (a + b)))
```

This program must be digested slowly ...
Idea

→ Initiating input or output operations, generates events.
→ Events are data objects of type 'a event.
→ The function

\[ \text{wrap} : \text{'a event} \rightarrow (\text{'a} \rightarrow \text{'b}) \rightarrow \text{'b event} \]

applies a function \text{a posteriori} to the value of an event — given that it occurs.
The list thus consists of \((\text{int} \times \text{int})\) events.
The functions

1. \textbf{choose} : 'a event list \(\rightarrow\) 'a event
2. \textbf{select} : 'a event list \(\rightarrow\) 'a

\textbf{non-deterministically} choose an event from the event list.
\textbf{select} synchronizes with the selected event, i.e., performs the corresponding communication task and returns the event:

1. \textbf{let} select = comp sync choose

Typically, that event occurs that finds its communication partner first.
Further Examples

The function

```plaintext
1  copy : 'a channel * 'a channel * 'a channel -> unit
```

is meant to copy a read element into two channels:

```plaintext
1  let copy (read, out1, out2) =
2    forever
3      (fun () ->
4        let x = sync (receive read) in
5         select
6           [  
7             wrap (send out1 x) (fun () -> sync (send out2 x));
8             wrap (send out2 x) (fun () -> sync (send out1 x));
9           ])
10      ()
```
Apparently, the event list may also consist of send events — or contain both kinds.

```ocaml
type 'a cell = 'a channel * 'a channel

let get (get_chan, _) = sync (receive get_chan)
let put (_, put_chan) x = sync (send put_chan x)

let new_cell x =
  let get_chan = new_channel () in
  let put_chan = new_channel () in
  let rec serve x = select [
    wrap (send get_chan x) (fun () -> serve x);
    wrap (receive put_chan) serve;
  ]
  in
  let _ = create serve x in
  (get_chan, put_chan)
```
In general, there could be a tree of events:
The leaves are basic events.

A wrapper function may be applied to any given event.

Several events of the same type may be combined into a choice.

Synchronization on such an event tree activates a single leaf event. The result is obtained by successively applying the wrapper functions from the path to the root.
Example: A Swap Channel

Upon rendezvous, a swap channel is meant to exchange the values of the two participating threads. The signature is given by

```
module type Swap = sig
  type 'a swap
  val new_swap : unit -> 'a swap
  val swap : 'a swap -> 'a -> 'a event
end
```

In the implementation with ordinary channels, every participating thread must offer the possibility to receive and to send.
As soon as a thread successfully completed to send (i.e., the other thread successfully synchronized on a receive event), the second value must be transmitted in opposite direction.

Together with the first value, we therefore transmit a channel for the second value:
A specific exchange can be realized by replacing `choose` with `select`.
Timeouts

Often, our patience is not endless. Then, waiting for a send or receive event should be terminated ...

```
module type Timer = sig
  val set_timer : float -> unit event
  val timed_receive : 'a channel -> float -> 'a option event
  val timed_send : 'a channel -> 'a -> float -> unit option event
end
```
module Timer = struct open Thread open Event

  let set_timer t = let ack = new_channel () in
    let serve () = delay t; sync (receive ack) in
    let _ = create serve () in
    send ack ()

  let timed_receive ch time = choose [
    wrap (set_timer time) (fun () -> None);
    wrap (receive ch) (fun a -> Some a)
  ]

  let timed_send ch x time = choose [
    wrap (set_timer time) (fun () -> None);
    wrap (send ch x) (fun a -> Some ()
  ]

end
8.3 Threads and Exceptions

An exception must be handled within the thread where it has been raised.

```
module Explode = struct
  open Thread

  let thread x =
    x / 0;
    print_string "thread terminated regularly ...\n"

  let main =
    let _ = create thread 0 in
    delay 1.0;
    print_string "main terminated regularly ...\n"
end
```
... yields

   > ./a.out
   Thread 1 killed on uncaught exception Division_by_zero
   main terminated regularly ...

The thread was killed, the OCaml program terminated nonetheless.

Also, uncaught exceptions within the wrapper function terminate the running thread:

```ocaml
module ExplodeWrap = struct
  open Thread open Event open Timer

  let main =
    try sync (wrap (set_timer 1.0) (fun () -> 1 / 0))
    with _ ->
      0;
      print_string "... this is the end!\n"
  end
```
Then we have

```
1  > ./a.out
2  Fatal error: exception Division_by_zero
```

**Caveat**

Exceptions can only be caught in the body of the wrapper function itself, not behind the `sync`!
A channel for buffered communication allows to send \textit{without blocking}. Receiving still may block, if no messages are available. For such channels, we realize a module \texttt{Mailbox}:

```ocaml
module type Mailbox = sig
  type 'a mbox

  val new_mailbox : unit -> 'a mbox
  val receive : 'a mbox -> 'a event
  val send : 'a mbox -> 'a -> unit
end
```

For the implementation, we rely on a server which maintains a queue of sent but not yet received messages.
Then we implement:

```ocaml
module Mailbox = struct
  open Thread
  open Queue
  open Event

  type 'a mbox = 'a channel * 'a channel

  let send (in_chan, _) x = sync (send in_chan x)

  let receive (_, out_chan) = receive out_chan

  ...
```
let new_mailbox () = let in_chan = new_channel ()
    and out_chan = new_channel () in
    let rec serve q =
        if is_empty q then serve (enqueue (sync (Event.receive in_chan)) q)
        else select [
            wrap (Event.receive in_chan)
            (fun y -> serve (enqueue y q));
            wrap (Event.send out_chan (first q))
            (fun () -> let _, q = dequeue q in
                serve q);
        ]
    in
    let _ = create serve (new_queue ()) in
    (in_chan, out_chan)

... where first : 'a queue -> 'a returns the first element in the queue without removing it.
8.5 Multicasts

For sending a message to many receivers, a module Multicast is provided that implements the signature Multicast:

```ocaml
module type Multicast = sig
  type 'a mchannel and 'a port

  val new_mchannel : unit -> 'a mchannel
  val new_port : 'a mchannel -> 'a port
  val receive : 'a port -> 'a event
  val multicast : 'a mchannel -> 'a -> unit

  end
```
The operation **new_port** generates a fresh port where a message can be received. The (non-blocking) operation **multicast** sends to all registered ports.

```ocaml
module Multicast = struct
  open Thread
  open Event

  module M = Mailbox

  type 'a port = 'a M.mbox
  type 'a mchannel = 'a channel * 'a port channel

  let new_port (_, req) = let m = M.new_mailbox () in
                          sync (send req m); m

  let multicast (send_ch, _) x = sync (send send_ch x)

  let receive port = M.receive port

  ...
```
The operation \texttt{multicast} sends the message on channel \texttt{send_ch}. The Operation \texttt{receive} reads from the mailbox of the port.

The multicast channel’s server thread maintains the list of ports:

```ocaml
let new_mchannel () = let send_ch = new_channel () in
    let req = new_channel () in
    let rec serve ports = select [
        wrap (Event.receive req) (fun p -> serve (p :: ports));
        wrap (Event.receive send_ch) (fun x ->
            let _ = create (List.iter (fun p -> M.send p x)) ports in
            serve ports)
    ] in
    in
    let _ = create serve [] in
    (send_ch, req)
```
Note that the server thread must respond both to port requests over the channel \texttt{req} and to send requests over \texttt{send\_ch}.

\textbf{Caveat}

Our implementation supports addition, but not removal of obsolete ports. For an example run, we use a test expression \texttt{main}:
let main = let mc = new_mchannel () in
  let thread i = let p = new_port mc in
    while true do
      let x = sync (receive p) in
      print_int i; print_string ": ";
      print_string (x ^ ":\n")
    done
  in
  let _ = create thread 1 in
  let _ = create thread 2 in
  let _ = create thread 3 in
  delay 1.0;
  multicast mc "Hello!";
  multicast mc "World!";
  multicast mc "... the end.";
  delay 10.0
end
We obtain

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Summary

- The programming language OCaml offers convenient possibilities to orchestrate concurrent programs.
- Channels with synchronous communication allow to simulate other concepts of concurrency such as asynchronous communication, global variables, locks for mutual exclusion and semaphors.
- Concurrent functional programs can be as obfuscated and incomprehensible as concurrent Java programs.
- Methods are required in order to systematically verify the correctness of such programs ...
Perspectives

- Beyond the language concepts discussed in the lecture, OCaml has diverse further concepts, which also enable object oriented programming.
- Moreover, OCaml has elegant means to access functionality of the operating system, to employ graphical libraries and to communicate with other computers ...

\[\longrightarrow\] OCaml is an interesting alternative to Java.
Example 1: The Study Program of a TU

Entity-relationship diagram:

- Lecturer
  - Name
  - Telefon
  - Email

- Module
  - Title
  - Room
  - Time

- Student
  - Matr.nr.
  - Name
  - Sem.

Relationships:
- Lecturer offers Module
- Student attends Module

entity-relationship diagram
Many application domains can be described by entity-relationship diagrams.

Entities in the example: lecturer, module, student.

The set of all occurring entities, i.e., of all instances can be described by a table...

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Discussion (cont.)

- The rows correspond to the instances.
- The columns correspond to the attributes.
- Assumption: the first attribute identifies the instance
  \[ \Rightarrow \text{primary key} \]
- Consequence: Relationships are tables as well ...

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Possible Queries

- In which semester are students attending the module “Discrete Structures”?
- Who attends a module of lecturer “Seidl”?
- Who attends both “Discrete Structures” and “Funct. Programming and Verification”?

⇒ Datalog
A relation $R$ is a set of tuples, i.e.,

$$ R \subseteq U_1 \times \ldots \times U_n $$

where $U_i$ is the set of all possible values for the $i$th component. In our example, there are:

- `int`, `string`, possibly enumeration types

// unary relations represent sets.

Relations can be described by predicates ...
Predicates can be defined by enumeration of facts ...

... in the Example

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9. `attends (543345, "Funct. Programming and Verification").`
10. `attends (543345, "Discrete Structures").`
11. `attends (131175, "Optimization").`
Rules can be used to deduce further facts...

... in the Example

```prolog
1  has_attendant (X,Y) :- offers (X,Z), attends (M,Z),
2       student (M,Y, _).
3  semester (X,Y) :- attends (Z,X), student (Z,_,Y).
```

- `:-` represents the logical implication “⇐”.
- The comma-separated list collects the assumptions.
- The left-hand side, the head of the rule, represents the conclusion.
- Variables start with a capital letter.
- The anonymous variable `_` refers to irrelevant values.
The knowledge base consisting of facts and rules now can be queried...

... in the Example

```
?- has_attendant ("Seidl", Z).
```

- **Datalog** finds all values for `Z` so that the query can be deduced from the given facts by means of the rules.
- In our examples these are:

```
1  Z = "Hans Dampf"
2  Z = "Anna Blume"
3  Z = "Effi Briest"
```
Further Queries

?- semester ("Discrete Structures", X).
  X = 2
  X = 4

?- attends (X, "Funct. Programming and Verification"),
  attends (X, "Discrete Structures").
  X = 123456
  X = 543345

Caveat

A query may contain none, one or several variables.
An Example Proof

The rule

```
1 has_attendant (X,Y) :- offers (X,Z), attends (M,Z),
2                      student (M,Y,_).
```

holds for all X, M, Y, Z.

By means of the substitution

```
1  "Seidl"/X    "Funct. Programming ..."/Z
2  543345/M    "Anna Blume"/Y
```

we prove

```
offers ("Seidl", "Funct. Programming ...")
attends (543345, "Funct. Programming ...")
student (543345, "Anna Blume", 3)
has_attendant ("Seidl", "Anna Blume")
```
Example 2: A Weblog

```
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Group</th>
<th>edits</th>
<th>Weblog</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>+ Title</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Person</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
|                       |       | + Account
|                       |       | + Name
|                       |       | − Password |
|                       | owns  | Entry   |
|                       |       | + ID    |
|                       |       | + Contents
|                       |       | + Date  |
```

The diagram illustrates the relationships between Group, Weblog, Person, and Entry, with specific attributes and relationships indicated.
Task: Specification of access rights

- Every member of the group of editors is entitled to add an entry.
- Only the owner of an entry is allowed to delete it.
- Everybody trusted by the owner, is entitled to modify.
- Every member of the group as well as everybody directly or indirectly trusted by a member of the group, is allowed to read ...
Specification in Datalog

1. `may_add (X,W) :- edits (Z,W),`  
   `has_member (Z,X).`
2. `may_delete (X,E) :- owns (X,E).`
3. `may_modify (X,E) :- owns (X,E).`
4. `may_modify (X,E) :- owns (Y,E),`  
   `trusts (Y,X).`
5. `may_read (X,E) :- contains (W,E),`  
   `may_add (X,W).`
6. `may_read (X,E) :- may_read (Y,E),`  
   `trusts (Y,X).`
Remark

- All available predicates or even fresh auxiliary predicates can be used for the definition of new predicates.
- Apparently, predicate definitions may be recursive.
- Together with a person $X$ owning an entry, also all persons are entitled to modify trusted by $X$.
- Together with a person $Y$ entitled to read, also all persons are entitled to read trusted by $Y$. 
9.1 Answering a Query

**Given:** a set of facts and rules

**Wanted:** the set of all provable facts

**Problem**

1. \texttt{equals} \((X,X).\)

\[\Rightarrow\] the set of all provable facts is infinite.
Theorem

Assume that $W$ is a finite set of facts and rules with the following properties:

1. Facts do not contain variables.
2. Every variable in the head, also occurs in the body.

Then the set of provable facts is finite.

Proof Sketch

For every provable fact $p(a_1, \ldots, a_k)$, it is shown that each constant $a_i$ already occurs in $W$. 
Calculation of All Provable Facts

Successively compute the sets \( R^{(i)} \) of all facts having proofs of depth at most \( i \)

\[
\begin{align*}
R^{(0)} &= \emptyset \\
R^{(i+1)} &= \mathcal{F}(R^{(i)})
\end{align*}
\]

where the operator \( \mathcal{F} \) is defined by

\[
\mathcal{F}(M) = \{ h[a/X] \mid \exists h : l_1, \ldots, l_k \in W : l_1[a/X], \ldots, l_k[a/X] \in M \}
\]

// \( [a/X] \) a substitution of the variables \( X \)
// \( k \) can be equal to \( 0 \).
We have: \[ R^{(i)} = F^i(\emptyset) \subseteq F^{i+1}(\emptyset) = R^{(i+1)} \]

The set \( R \) of all implied facts is given by

\[ R = \bigcup_{i \geq 0} R^{(i)} = R^{(n)} \]

for a suitable \( n \) — since \( R \) is finite.

**Example**

1. `edge (a,b).`
2. `edge (a,c).`
3. `edge (b,d).`
4. `edge (d,a).`
5. `t (X,Y) :- edge (X,Y).`
6. `t (X,Y) :- edge (X,Z), t (Z,Y).`
Relation \textit{edge}:
\( t^{(0)} \)

\[
\begin{array}{cccc}
\text{a} & \text{b} & \text{c} & \text{d} \\
\text{a} & & & \\
\text{b} & & & \\
\text{c} & & & \\
\text{d} & & & \\
\end{array}
\]

\( t^{(1)} \)

\[
\begin{array}{cccc}
\text{a} & \text{b} & \text{c} & \text{d} \\
\text{a} & & \text{b} & \text{c} \\
\text{b} & & & \text{c} \\
\text{c} & & & \\
\text{d} & & & \\
\end{array}
\]
Discussion

- Our considerations are strong enough to calculate all facts implied by a Datalog program.
- From that, the set of answer substitutions can be extracted.
- The naive approach, however, is hopelessly inefficient.
- Smarter approaches try to avoid multiple calculations of the ever identical same facts ...
- In particular, only those facts need be proven which are useful for answering the query
9.2 Operations on Relations

- We use predicates in order to describe relations.
- There are natural operations on relations which we would like to express in Datalog, i.e., define for predicates.
1. Union
... in Datalog:

\[ r(X_1, \ldots, X_k) :- s_1(X_1, \ldots, X_k). \]
\[ r(X_1, \ldots, X_k) :- s_2(X_1, \ldots, X_k). \]

Example

1. \( \text{attends}_{\text{Esparza or Seidl}}(X) :- \text{has_attendant} \ ("\text{Esparza}", X). \)
2. \( \text{attends}_{\text{Esparza or Seidl}}(X) :- \text{has_attendant} \ ("\text{Seidl}", X). \)
2. Intersection
... in Datalog:

\[ r(X_1, \ldots, X_k) :\!-\! \ s_1(X_1, \ldots, X_k), \ s_2(X_1, \ldots, X_k). \]

Example

1 \hspace{1em} \texttt{attends\_Esparza\_and\_Seidl}\ (X) :\!-\! \text{has\_attendant}\ ("Esparza", X),
2 \hspace{1em} \texttt{has\_attendant}\ ("Seidl", X).
3. Relative Complement
in Datalog:

\[ r(X_1, \ldots, X_k) :\neg \ s_1(X_1, \ldots, X_k), \ \text{not}(s_2(X_1, \ldots, X_k)). \]

i.e., \( r(a_1, \ldots, a_k) \) follows when \( s_1(a_1, \ldots, a_k) \) holds but \( s_2(a_1, \ldots, a_k) \) is not provable.

Example

```prolog
1    does_not_attend_Seidl(X) :- student(_,X,_),
2                           \text{not} \ (\text{has_attendant} \ ("Seidl", X)).
```
Caveat

The query

1 p("Hello!").
2 ?- not (p(X)).

results in infinitely many answers.

we allow negated literals only if all occurring variables
have already occurred to the left in non-negated literals.

1 p("Hello!").
2 q("Damn ...").
3 ?- q(X), not (p(X)).
4 X = "Damn ..."
Caveat (cont.)

Negation is only meaningful when \( s \) does not recursively depend on \( r \) ...

\[ p(X) :- \ \text{not} \ (p(X)). \]

... is not easy to interpret.

\[ \rightarrow \] We allow \( \text{not}(s(\ldots)) \) only in rules for predicates \( r \) of which \( s \) is independent

\[ \rightarrow \] stratified negation

// Without recursive predicates, every negation is stratified.
4. Cartesian Product

\[ S_1 \times S_2 = \{ (a_1, \ldots, a_k, b_1, \ldots, b_m) \mid (a_1, \ldots, a_k) \in S_1, \]
\[ (b_1, \ldots, b_m) \in S_2 \} \]

... in Datalog:

\[ r(X_1, \ldots, X_k, Y_1, \ldots, Y_m) \] :- \[ s_1(X_1, \ldots, X_k), s_2(Y_1, \ldots, Y_m). \]
\[
\begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c}
  a & a & a & a \\
  b & b & b & b \\
  c & c & c & c \\
  d & d & d & d \\
\end{array}
\]

\[=\]

\[
\begin{array}{cccc}
  a & b & c & d \\
  a & b & c & d \\
  a & b & c & d \\
  a & b & c & d \\
\end{array}
\]
Example

1  lecturer_student (X,Y) :- lecturer (X,_,_),
2       student (_,Y,__).

Comments

- The product of independent relations is very expensive.
- It should be avoided whenever possible ;(-)
5. Projection

\[ \pi_{i_1, \ldots, i_k}(S) = \{(a_{i_1}, \ldots, a_{i_k}) \mid (a_1, \ldots, a_m) \in S\} \]

... in Datalog:

\[ r(X_{i_1}, \ldots, X_{i_k}) \quad ::= \quad s(X_1, \ldots, X_m). \]
\[
\begin{array}{cccc}
 a & b & c & d \\
 a & & & \\
 b & & & \\
 c & & & \\
 d & & & \\
\end{array}
\]

\[
\begin{array}{c}
 a \\
 b \\
 c \\
 d \\
\end{array}
\]

\[
\begin{array}{c}
 a \\
 b \\
 c \\
 d \\
\end{array}
\]
\[ \mathbf{T}_{1,1} \]

\[
\begin{array}{cccc}
  & a & b & c & d \\
 a & & & & \\
b & & & & \\
c & & & & \\
d & & & & \\
\end{array}
\]

\[
\begin{array}{cccc}
  & a & b & c & d \\
 a & & & & \\
b & & & & \\
c & & & & \\
d & & & & \\
\end{array}
\]
6. Join

\[ S_1 \bowtie S_2 = \{(a_1, \ldots, a_k, b_1, \ldots, b_m) \mid (a_1, \ldots, a_{k+1}) \in S_1, (b_1, \ldots, b_m) \in S_2, a_{k+1} = b_1 \} \]

... in Datalog:

\[ r(X_1, \ldots, X_k, Y_1, \ldots, Y_m) :\leftarrow s_1(X_1, \ldots, X_k, Y_1), s_2(Y_1, \ldots, Y_m). \]
Discussion

Joins can be defined by means of the other operations...

\[
S_1 \bowtie S_2 = \pi_{1,\ldots,k,k+2,\ldots,k+1+m} \left( S_1 \times S_2 \cap U^k \times \pi_{1,1}(U) \times U^{m-1} \right)
\]

// For simplicity, we have assumed that \( U \) is the joint universe of all components.

Joins often allow to avoid expensive cartesian products.

The presented operations on relations form the basis of Relational Algebra...
Relational Algebra ...

+ is the basis underlying the query languages of Relational Databases ➝ SQL

+ allows optimization of queries.

Idea: Replace expensive sub-expressions of the query with cheaper expressions of the same semantics!

− is rather cryptic

− does not support recursive definitions.
Example

The Datalog predicate

```
semester (X,Y) :- attends (Z,X), student (Z,_,Y)
```

... can be expressed in SQL by

```
SELECT attends.Title, Student.Semester
FROM attends, Student
WHERE attends.Matrikelnumber = Student.Matrikelnumber
```
Perspective

- Besides a query language, a realistic database language must also offer the possibility for insertion / modification / deletion.
- The implementation of a database must be able to handle not just toy applications like our examples, but to deal with gigantic mass data !!!
- It must be able to reliably execute multiple concurrent transactions without messing up individual tasks.
- A database also should be able to survive power supply failure