

# Formal Specification and Verification Techniques

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## Goals - Contents

### General Goals:

Formal foundations of Methods  
for Specification, Verification and Implementation

### Summary

- ▶ The Role of formal Specifications
- ▶ Abstract State Machines: ASM-Specification methods
- ▶ Algebraic Specification, Equational Systems
- ▶ Reduction systems, Term Rewriting Systems
- ▶ Equational - Calculus and - Programming
- ▶ Related Calculi:  $\lambda$ -Calculus, Combinator- Calculus
- ▶ Implementation, Reduction Strategies, Graph Rewriting

## Lecture's Contents

### Role of formal Specifications

- Motivation
- Properties of Specifications
- Formal Specifications
- Examples

## Abstract State Machines (ASMs)

### Abstract State Machines: ASM- Specification's method

- Fundamentals
- Sequential algorithms
- ASM-Specifications

### Distributed ASM: Concurrency, reactivity, time

- Fundamentals: Orders, CPO's, proof techniques
- Induction
- DASM
- Reactive and time-dependent systems

### Refinement

- Lecture Börger's ASM-Buch

## Algebraic Specification

### Algebraic Specification - Equational Calculus

- Fundamentals
- Introduction
- Algebrae
- Algebraic Fundamentals
- Signature - Terms
- Strictness - Positions- Subterms
- Interpretations: sig-algebras
- Canonical homomorphisms
- Equational specifications
- Substitution
- Loose semantics
- Connection between  $\models, =_E, \vdash_E$
- Birkhoff's Theorem

## Algebraic Specification: Initial Semantics

### Initial semantics

- Basic properties
- Correctness and implementation
- Structuring mechanisms
- Signature morphisms - Parameter passing
- Semantics parameter passing
- Specification morphisms





## Validation - Verification

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia  
In common usage, **validation** is the process of checking if something satisfies a certain criterion. Examples would include checking if a statement is true (validity), if an appliance works as intended, if a computer system is secure, or if computer data are compliant with an open standard. Validation implies one is able to document that a solution or process is correct or is suited for its intended use.  
In engineering or as part of a quality management system, **validation** confirms that the needs of an external customer or user of a product, service, or system are met. **Verification** is usually an internal quality process of determining compliance with a regulation, standard, or specification. An easy way of recalling the difference between validation and verification is that validation is ensuring “you built the right product” and verification is ensuring “you built the product right.”  
Validation is testing to confirm that it satisfies user’s needs.

## Requirements

- ▶ The global specification describes, as exact as possible, what must be done.
- ▶ **Abstraction of the how**  
**Advantages**
  - ▶ apriori: Reference document, compact and legible.
  - ▶ aposteriori: Possibility to follow and document design decisions ↔ **traceability, reusability, maintenance.**
- ▶ **Problem:** Size and complexity of the systems.  
Principles to be supported
  - ▶ **Refinement principle:** Abstraction levels
  - ▶ **Structuring mechanisms**  
Decomposition and modularization principles
  - ▶ Object orientation
  - ▶ **Verification and validation concepts**

## Requirements Description ↔ Specification Language

- ▶ Choice of the specification technique depends on the System. Frequently more than a single specification technique is needed. (What – How).
- ▶ Type of Systems:  
Pure function oriented (I/O), reactive- embedded- real time- systems.
- ▶ **Problem :** Universal Specification Technique (UST)  
difficult to understand, ambiguities, tools, size ...  
e.g. UML
- ▶ **Desired:** Compact, legible and exact specifications

Here: **formal specification techniques**

## Formal Specifications

- ▶ A specification in a formal specification language defines all the possible behaviors of the specified system.
- ▶ 3 Aspects: **Syntax, Semantics, Inference System**
  - ▶ **Syntax:** What’s allowed to write: Text with structure, Properties often described by formulas from a logic.
  - ▶ **Semantics:** Which models are associated with the specification, ↔ specification models.
  - ▶ **Inference System:** Consequences (Derivation) of properties of the system. ↔ Notion of consequence.

## Formal Specifications

▶ Two main classes:

### Model oriented

(constructive)  
 e.g. VDM, Z, ASM  
 Construction of a non-ambiguous model from available data structures and construction rules  
 Concept of correctness

### Property oriented

(declarative)  
 signature (functions, predicates)  
 Properties (formulas, axioms)  
 models algebraic specification  
 AFFIRM, OBJ, ASF, ...

▶ Operational specifications:  
 Petri nets, process algebras, automata based (SDL).

## Specifications: What for?

- ▶ The concept of program correctness is not well defined without a formal specification.
- ▶ A verification is not possible without a formal specification.
- ▶ Other concepts, like the concept of refinement, simulation become well defined.

### Wish List

- ▶ Small gap between specification and program: Generators, Transformators.
- ▶ Not too many different formalisms/notations.
- ▶ Tool support.
- ▶ Rapid prototyping.
- ▶ Rules for “constructing” specifications, that guarantee certain properties (e.g. consistency + completeness).

## Formal Specifications

▶ Advantages:

- ▶ The concepts of correctness, equivalence, completeness, consistency, refinement, composition, etc. are treated in a mathematical way (based on the logic)
- ▶ Tool support is possible and often available
- ▶ The application and interconnection of different tools are possible.

▶ Disadvantages:

## Refinements

### Abstraction mechanisms

- ▶ Data abstraction (representation)
- ▶ Control abstraction (Sequence)
- ▶ Procedural abstraction (only I/O description)

### Refinement mechanisms

- ▶ Choose a data representation (sets by lists)
- ▶ Choose a sequence of computation steps
- ▶ Develop algorithm (Sorting algorithm)

Concept: Correctness of the implementation

- ▶ Observable equivalences
- ▶ Behavioral equivalences

## Structuring

Problems: Structuring mechanisms

- ▶ Horizontal:  
Decomposition/Aggregation/Combination/Extension/  
Parameterization/Instantiation  
(Components)

Goal: Reduction of complexity, Completeness

- ▶ Vertical:  
Realization of Behavior  
Information Hiding/Refinement

Goal: Efficiency and Correctness

## Tool support

- ▶ Syntactic support (grammars, parser,...)
- ▶ Verification: theorem proving (proof obligations)
- ▶ Prototyping (executable specifications)
- ▶ Code generation (out of the specifications generate C code)
- ▶ Testing (from the specification generate test cases for the program)

Desired:

To generate the tools out of the syntax and semantics of the specification language

## Example: declarative

Example 2.1. Restricted logic: e.g. equational logic

- ▶ **Axioms:**  $\forall X t_1 = t_2$   $t_1, t_2$  terms.
- ▶ **Rules:** Equals are replaced with equals. (directed).
- ▶ **Terms**  $\approx$  names for objects (identifier), structuring, construction of the object.
- ▶ **Abstraction:** Terms as elements of an algebra, term algebra.

## Example: declarative

Foundations for the algebraic specification method:

- ▶ Axioms induce a **congruence** on a term algebra
- ▶ Independent subtasks
  - ▶ Description of properties with equality axioms
  - ▶ Representation of the terms
- ▶ Operationalization
  - ▶ spec,  $t$  term give out the „value“ of  $t$ , i.e.  $t' \in \text{Value}(\text{spec})$  with  $\text{spec} \models t = t'$ .
  - ▶  $\rightsquigarrow$  **Functional programming:** LISP, CAML,...  
 $F(t_1, \dots, t_n)$   $\text{eval}(\ ) \rightsquigarrow$  value.



## Example: Model-based constructive: VDM

Unambiguous (Unique model), standard (notations),  
 Independent of the implementation, formally manipulable, abstract,  
 structured, expressive, consistency by construction

### Example 2.2. Model (state)-based specification technique VDM

- ▶ Based on naive set theory, PL 1, preconditions and postconditions.

Primitive types:  $\mathbb{B}$  Boolean  $\{true, false\}$   
 $\mathbb{N}$  natural  $\{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{R}$

- ▶ Sets:  $\mathbb{B}$ -Set: Sets of  $\mathbb{B}$ -'s.
- ▶ Operations on sets:  $\in$ : Element, Element-Set  $\rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ ,  $\cup, \cap, \setminus$
- ▶ Sequences:  $\mathbb{Z}^*$ : Sequences of integer numbers.
- ▶ Sequence operations:  $\frown$ : Sequences, Sequences  $\rightarrow$  Sequences.  
 „Concatenation“  
 e.g.  $[ ] \frown [true, false, true] = [true, false, true]$   
 $len$ : sequences  $\rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ ,  $hd$ : sequences  $\rightsquigarrow elem$  (partial).  
 $tl$ : sequences  $\rightsquigarrow$  sequences,  $elem$ : sequences  $\rightarrow Elem$ -Set.

## Operations in VDM

See e.g.: [http://www.vdmportal.org/twiki/bin/view/VDM-SL: System State, Specification of operations](http://www.vdmportal.org/twiki/bin/view/VDM-SL:SystemState,Specificationofoperations)

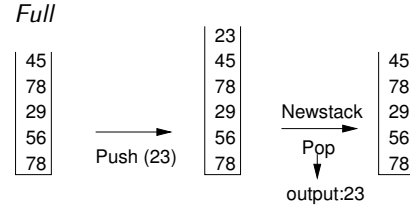
Format:

Operation-Identifier (Input parameters) Output parameters  
 Pre-Condition  
 Post-Condition

e.g.  
 $Int\_SQR(x : \mathbb{N})z : \mathbb{N}$   
 pre  $x \geq 1$   
 post  $(z^2 \leq x) \wedge (x < (z + 1)^2)$

## Example VDM: Bounded stack

### Example 2.3. ▶ Operations: $\cdot Init \cdot Push \cdot Pop \cdot Empty \cdot$



Contents =  $\mathbb{N}^*$  Max\_Stack\_Size =  $\mathbb{N}$

- ▶ STATE STACK OF  
 $s$ : Contents  
 $n$ : Max\_Stack\_Size  
 $inv$ :  $mk$ -STACK( $s, n$ )  $\triangleq len s \leq n$   
 END

## Bounded stack

$Init(size : \mathbb{N})$   
 ext wr  $s$ : Contents  
 wr  $n$ : Max\_Stack\_Size  
 pre true  
 post  $s = [ ] \wedge n = size$

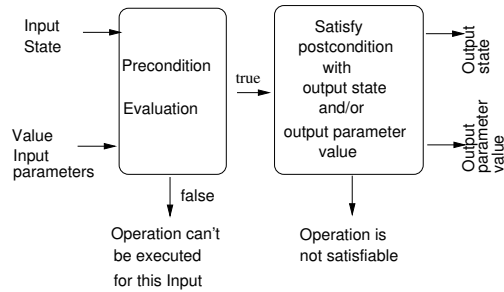
$Full()b : \mathbb{B}$   
 ext rd  $s$ : Contents  
 rd  $n$ : Max\_Stack\_Size  
 pre true  
 post  $b \Leftrightarrow (len s = n)$

$Push(c : \mathbb{N})$   
 ext wr  $s$ : Contents  
 rd  $n$ : Max\_Stack\_Size  
 pre  $len s < n$   
 post  $s = [c] \frown \overleftarrow{s}$

$Pop()c : \mathbb{N}$   
 ext wr  $s$ : Contents  
 pre  $len s > 0$   
 post  $\overleftarrow{s} = [c] \frown s$

$\rightsquigarrow$  Proof-Obligations

## General format for VDM-operations



## General form VDM-operations

### Proof obligations:

For each acceptable input there's (at least) one acceptable output.

$$\forall s_i, i \cdot (\text{pre-op}(i, s_i) \Rightarrow \exists s_o, o \cdot \text{post-op}(i, s_i, o, s_o))$$

When there are state-invariants at hand:

$$\forall s_i, i \cdot (\text{inv}(s_i) \wedge \text{pre-op}(i, s_i) \Rightarrow \exists s_o, o \cdot (\text{inv}(s_o) \wedge \text{post-op}(i, s_i, o, s_o)))$$

alternatively

$$\forall s_i, i, s_o, o \cdot (\text{inv}(s_i) \wedge \text{pre-op}(i, s_i) \wedge \text{post-op}(i, s_i, o, s_o) \Rightarrow \text{inv}(s_o))$$

See e.g. Turner, McCluskey The Construction of Formal Specifications or Jones C.B. Systematic SW Development using VDM Prentice Hall.

## Stack: algebraic specification

**Example 2.4.** Elements of an algebraic specification: *Signature* (sorts, operation names with the arity), *Axioms* (often only equations)

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SPEC STACK
USING NATURAL, BOOLEAN "Names of known SPECS"
SORT stack "Principal type"
OPS  init : → stack "Constant of the type stack, empty stack"
     push : stack nat → stack
     pop  : stack → stack
     top  : stack → nat
     is_empty? : stack → bool
     stack_error : → stack
     nat_error  : → nat
  
```

(Signature fixed)

## Axioms for Stack

FORALL s : stack n : nat

AXIOMS

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is_empty? (init) = true
is_empty? (push (s, n)) = false
pop (init) = stack_error
pop (push (s, n)) = s
top (init) = nat_error
top (push (s,n)) = n
  
```

Terms or expressions:

top (push (push (init, 2), 3)) "means" 3

How is the "bounded stack" specified algebraically?

Semantics? Operationalization?

## Variant: Z and B- Methods: Specification-Development-Programs.

- ▶ **Covering:** Technical specification (what), development through refinement, architecture (layers' architecture), generation of executable code.
- ▶ **Proofs:** Program construction  $\equiv$  Proof construction. Abstraction, instantiation, decomposition.
- ▶ **Abstract machines:** Encapsulation of information (Modules, Classes, ADT).
- ▶ **Data and operations:** SWS is composed of abstract machines. Abstract machines „get “ data and „offer“ operations. Data can only be accessed through operations.

## Z- and B- Methods: Specification-Development-Programs.

- ▶ **Data specification:** Sets, relations, functions, sequences, trees. Rules (static) with help of invariants.
- ▶ **Operator specification:** not executable „pseudocode“. Without loops:  
Precondition + atomic action  
PL1                      generalized substitution
- ▶ **Refinement** ( $\rightsquigarrow$  implementation).
- ▶ **Refinement** (as specification technique).
- ▶ **Refinement techniques:**  
Elimination of not executable parts, introduction of control structures (cycles).  
Transformation of abstract mathematical structures.

## Z- and B- Methods: Specification-Development-Programs.

- ▶ **Refinement steps:** Refinement is done in several steps. Abstract machines are newly constructed. Operations for users remain the same, only internal changes.  
In-between steps: Mix code.
- ▶ **Nested architecture:**  
Rule: not too many refinement steps, better apply decomposition.
- ▶ **Library:** Predefined abstract machines, encapsulation of classical DS.
- ▶ **Reusability**
- ▶ **Code generation:** Last abstract machine can be easily translated into a program in an imperative Language.

## Z- and B- Methods: Specification-Development-Programs.

### Important here:

- ▶ **Notation:** Theory of sets + PL1, standard set operations, Cartesian product, power sets, set restrictions  $\{x \mid x \in s \wedge P\}$ ,  $P$  predicate.
- ▶ **Schemata (Schemes)** in Z Models for declaration and constraint {state descriptions}.
- ▶ **Types.**
- ▶ **Natural Language:** Connection Math objects  $\rightarrow$  objects of the modeled world.
- ▶ **See Abrial:** The B-Book,  
Potter, Sinclair, Till: An Introduction to Formal Specification and Z,  
Woodcock, Davis: Using Z Specification, Refinement, and Proof  $\rightsquigarrow$   
**Literature**







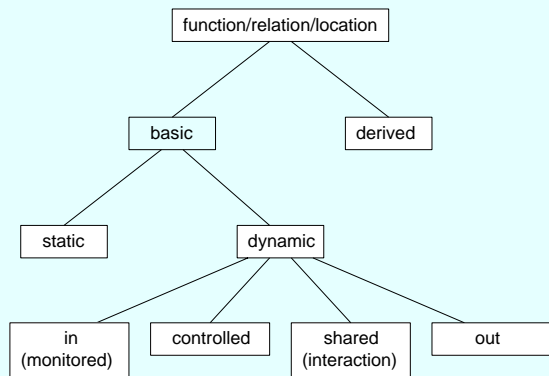








### Classification of functions



### States (continued)

- The interpretations of *undef*, *true*, *false* are pairwise different.
- The constant *undef* represents an undetermined object.
- The *domain* of an  $n$ -ary function name  $f$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$  is the set of all  $n$ -tuples  $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in |\mathfrak{A}|^n$  such that  $f^{\mathfrak{A}}(a_1, \dots, a_n) \neq \text{undef}^{\mathfrak{A}}$ .
- A *relation* is a function that has the values *true*, *false* or *undef*.
- We write  $a \in R$  as an abbreviation for  $R(a) = \text{true}$ .
- The superuniverse can be divided into *subuniverses* represented by unary relations.

### States

**Definition.** A *state*  $\mathfrak{A}$  for the signature  $\Sigma$  is a non-empty set  $X$ , the *superuniverse* of  $\mathfrak{A}$ , together with an *interpretation*  $f^{\mathfrak{A}}$  of each function name  $f$  of  $\Sigma$ .

- If  $f$  is an  $n$ -ary function name of  $\Sigma$ , then  $f^{\mathfrak{A}}: X^n \rightarrow X$ .
- If  $c$  is a constant of  $\Sigma$ , then  $c^{\mathfrak{A}} \in X$ .
- The superuniverse  $X$  of the state  $\mathfrak{A}$  is denoted by  $|\mathfrak{A}|$ .

- The superuniverse is also called the *base set* of the state.
- The *elements* of a state are the elements of the superuniverse.

### Locations

**Definition.** A *location* of  $\mathfrak{A}$  is a pair

$$(f, (a_1, \dots, a_n))$$

where  $f$  is an  $n$ -ary function name and  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  are elements of  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

- The value  $f^{\mathfrak{A}}(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  is the *content* of the location in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .
- The *elements* of the location are the elements of the set  $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ .
- We write  $\mathfrak{A}(l)$  for the content of the location  $l$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

**Notation.** If  $l = (f, (a_1, \dots, a_n))$  is a location of  $\mathfrak{A}$  and  $\alpha$  is a function defined on  $|\mathfrak{A}|$ , then  $\alpha(l) = (f, (\alpha(a_1), \dots, \alpha(a_n)))$ .







### Semantics of formulas

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket s = t \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} &= \begin{cases} true, & \text{if } \llbracket s \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} = \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}}, \\ false, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \\ \llbracket \neg \varphi \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} &= \begin{cases} true, & \text{if } \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} = false; \\ false, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \\ \llbracket \varphi \wedge \psi \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} &= \begin{cases} true, & \text{if } \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} = true \text{ and } \llbracket \psi \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} = true; \\ false, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \\ \llbracket \varphi \vee \psi \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} &= \begin{cases} true, & \text{if } \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} = true \text{ or } \llbracket \psi \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} = true; \\ false, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \\ \llbracket \varphi \rightarrow \psi \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} &= \begin{cases} true, & \text{if } \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} = false \text{ or } \llbracket \psi \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} = true; \\ false, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \\ \llbracket \forall x \varphi \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} &= \begin{cases} true, & \text{if } \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\zeta[x \mapsto a]}^{\mathfrak{A}} = true \text{ for every } a \in |\mathfrak{A}|; \\ false, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \\ \llbracket \exists x \varphi \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} &= \begin{cases} true, & \text{if there exists an } a \in |\mathfrak{A}| \text{ with } \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\zeta[x \mapsto a]}^{\mathfrak{A}} = true; \\ false, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

### Models

**Definition.** A state  $\mathfrak{A}$  is a *model* of  $\varphi$  (written  $\mathfrak{A} \models \varphi$ ), if  $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} = true$  for all variable assignments  $\zeta$  for  $\varphi$ .

### Coincidence, Substitution, Isomorphism

**Lemma (Coincidence).** If  $\zeta$  and  $\eta$  are two variable assignments for  $\varphi$  such that  $\zeta(x) = \eta(x)$  for all free variables  $x$  of  $\varphi$ , then  $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} = \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\eta}^{\mathfrak{A}}$ .

**Lemma (Substitution).** Let  $t$  be a term and  $a = \llbracket t \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}}$ . Then  $\llbracket \varphi \frac{t}{x} \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} = \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\zeta[x \mapsto a]}^{\mathfrak{A}}$ .

**Lemma (Isomorphism).** Let  $\alpha$  be an isomorphism from  $\mathfrak{A}$  to  $\mathfrak{B}$ . Then  $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\zeta}^{\mathfrak{A}} = \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\alpha \circ \zeta}^{\mathfrak{B}}$ .

### Part 3

Transition rules and runs of ASMs

**Transition rules**

*Skip Rule:* **skip**  
 Meaning: Do nothing

*Update Rule:*  $f(s_1, \dots, s_n) := t$   
 Meaning: Update the value of  $f$  at  $(s_1, \dots, s_n)$  to  $t$ .

*Block Rule:*  $P \text{ par } Q$   
 Meaning:  $P$  and  $Q$  are executed in parallel.

*Conditional Rule:* **if  $\varphi$  then  $P$  else  $Q$**   
 Meaning: If  $\varphi$  is true, then execute  $P$ , otherwise execute  $Q$ .

*Let Rule:* **let  $x = t$  in  $P$**   
 Meaning: Assign the value of  $t$  to  $x$  and then execute  $P$ .

**Variations of the syntax**

<b>if <math>\varphi</math> then</b> $P$ <b>else</b> $Q$ <b>endif</b>	<b>if <math>\varphi</math> then <math>P</math> else <math>Q</math></b>
<b>[do in-parallel]</b> $P_1$ $\vdots$ $P_n$ <b>[enddo]</b>	$P_1 \text{ par } \dots \text{ par } P_n$
$\{P_1, \dots, P_n\}$	$P_1 \text{ par } \dots \text{ par } P_n$

**Transition rules (continued)**

*Forall Rule:* **forall  $x$  with  $\varphi$  do  $P$**   
 Meaning: Execute  $P$  in parallel for each  $x$  satisfying  $\varphi$ .

*Choose Rule:* **choose  $x$  with  $\varphi$  do  $P$**   
 Meaning: Choose an  $x$  satisfying  $\varphi$  and then execute  $P$ .

*Sequence Rule:*  $P \text{ seq } Q$   
 Meaning:  $P$  and  $Q$  are executed sequentially, first  $P$  and then  $Q$ .

*Call Rule:*  $r(t_1, \dots, t_n)$   
 Meaning: Call transition rule  $r$  with parameters  $t_1, \dots, t_n$ .

**Variations of the syntax (continued)**

<b>do forall <math>x: \varphi</math></b> $P$ <b>enddo</b>	<b>forall <math>x</math> with <math>\varphi</math> do <math>P</math></b>
<b>choose <math>x: \varphi</math></b> $P$ <b>endchoose</b>	<b>choose <math>x</math> with <math>\varphi</math> do <math>P</math></b>
<b>step</b> $P$ <b>step</b> $Q$	$P \text{ seq } Q$

## Example

**Example 3.18.** *Sorting of linear data structures in-place, one-swap-a-time.*  
 Let  $a : \text{Index} \rightarrow \text{Value}$

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choose x, y ∈ Index : x < y ∧ a(x) > a(y)
do in - parallel
  a(x) := a(y)
  a(y) := a(x)
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Two kinds of non-determinisms:

“Don't-care” non-determinism: random choice

```
choose x ∈ {x1, x2, ..., xn} with φ(x) do
  R(x)
```

“Don't-know” indeterminism

Extern controlled actions and events (e.g. input actions)  
 monitored  $f : X \rightarrow Y$

## Free and bound variables

**Definition.** An occurrence of a variable  $x$  is *free* in a transition rule, if it is not in the scope of a **let**  $x$ , **forall**  $x$  or **choose**  $x$ .

**let**  $x = t$  **in**  $P$   
 scope of  $x$

**forall**  $x$  **with**  $\varphi$  **do**  $P$   
 scope of  $x$

**choose**  $x$  **with**  $\varphi$  **do**  $P$   
 scope of  $x$

## Rule declarations

**Definition.** A *rule declaration* for a rule name  $r$  of arity  $n$  is an expression

$$r(x_1, \dots, x_n) = P$$

where

- $P$  is a transition rule and
- the free variables of  $P$  are contained in the list  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ .

**Remark:** Recursive rule declarations are allowed.

## Abstract State Machines

**Definition.** An *abstract state machine*  $M$  consists of

- a signature  $\Sigma$ ,
- a set of initial states for  $\Sigma$ ,
- a set of rule declarations,
- a distinguished rule name of arity zero called the *main rule name* of the machine.























## Distributed ASM

**Definition 4.5.** A DASM  $A$  over a signature (vocabulary)  $\Sigma$  is given through:

- ▶ A distributed program  $\Pi_A$  over  $\Sigma$ .
- ▶ A non-empty set  $I_A$  of initial states  
 An initial state defines a possible interpretation of  $\Sigma$  over a potential infinite base set  $X$ .

$A$  contains in the signature a dynamic relation's symbol  $AGENT$ , that is interpreted as a finite set of autonomous operating agents.

- ▶ The behaviour of an agent  $a$  in state  $S$  of  $A$  is defined through  $programs_S(a)$ .
- ▶ An agent can be ended through the definition of  $programs_S(a) := undef$  (representation of an invalid program).

## Partially ordered runs

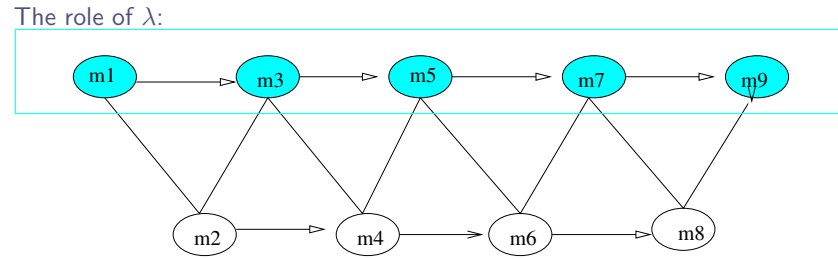
A run of a distributed ASM  $A$  is given through a triple  $\varrho \equiv (M, \lambda, \sigma)$  with the following properties:

1.  $M$  is a partial ordered set of "moves", in which each move has only a finite number of predecessors.
2.  $\lambda$  is a function on  $M$ , that assigns an agent to each move, so that the moves of a particular agent are always linearly ordered.
3.  $\sigma$  associates a state of  $A$  with each finite initial segment  $Y$  of  $M$ . Intended meaning:  $\sigma(Y)$  is the "result of the execution of all moves in  $Y$ ".  $\sigma(Y)$  is an initial state when  $Y$  is empty.
4. The **coherence condition** is satisfied:  
 If  $max$  is a set of maximal elements in a finite initial segment  $X$  of  $M$  and  $Y = X \setminus max$ , then for  $x \in max$ :  $\lambda(x)$  is an agent in  $\sigma(Y)$  and we get  $\sigma(X)$  from  $\sigma(Y)$  by firing  $\{\lambda(x) : x \in max\}$  (their programs ) in  $\sigma(Y)$ .

## Comment, example

The agents of  $A$  model the concurrent control-threads in the execution of  $\Pi_A$ .

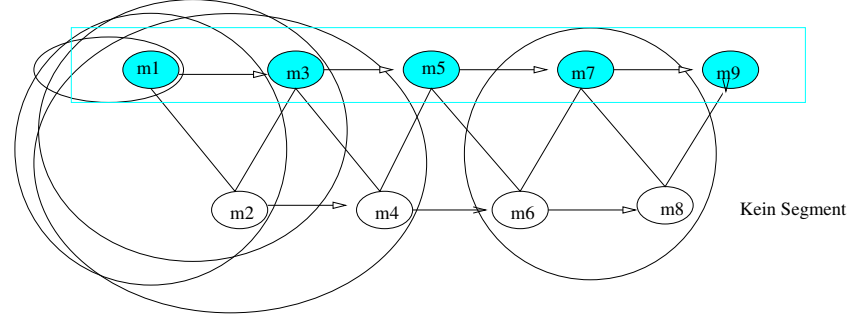
A run can be seen as the common part of the history of the same computation from the point of view of multiple observers.



## Comment, example (cont.)

The role of  $\sigma$ : Snap-shots of the computation are the initial segments of the partial ordered set  $M$ . To each initial segment a state of  $A$  is assigned (interpretation of  $\Sigma$ ), that reflects the execution of the programs of the agents that appear in the segment.

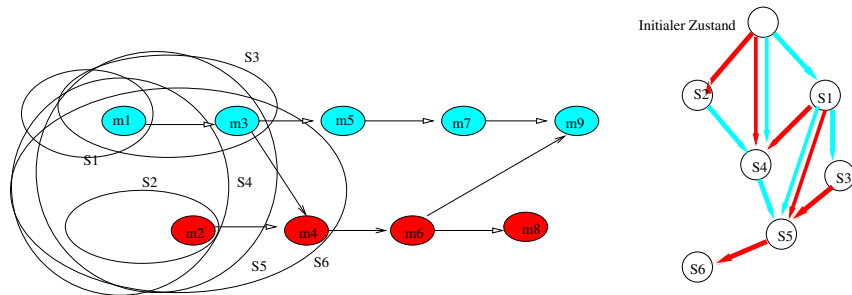
~> "Result of the execution of all the moves" in the segment.



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### Coherence condition, example

If  $max$  is a set of maximal elements in a finite initial segment  $X$  of  $M$  and  $Y = X \setminus max$ , then for  $x \in max$ :  $\lambda(x)$  is an agent in  $\sigma(Y)$  and we get  $\sigma(X)$  from  $\sigma(Y)$  by firing  $\{\lambda(x) : x \in max\}$  (their programs) in  $\sigma(Y)$ .



### Consequences of the coherence condition

**Lemma 4.6.** All the linearizations of an initial segment (i.e. respecting the partial ordering) of a run  $\varrho$  lead to the same "final" state.

**Lemma 4.7.** A property  $P$  is valid in all the reachable states of a run  $\varrho$ , iff it is valid in each of the reachable states of the linearizations of  $\varrho$ .

### Simple example

**Example 4.8.** Let  $\{door, window\}$  be propositional-logic constants in the signature with natural meaning:  
 $door = true$  means "door open" and analog for window.

The program has two agents, a door-manager  $d$  and a window-manager  $w$  with the following programs:

```

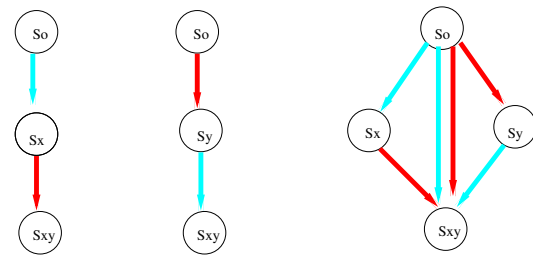
programd = door := true // move x
programw = window := true // move y
    
```

In the initial state  $S_0$  let the door and window be closed, let  $d$  and  $w$  be in the agent set.

Which are the possible runs?

### Simple example (Cont.)

Let  $\varrho_1 = ((\{x, y\}, x < y), id, \sigma)$ ,  $\varrho_2 = ((\{x, y\}, y < x), id, \sigma)$ ,  
 $\varrho_3 = ((\{x, y\}, <>), id, \sigma)$  (coarsest partial order)



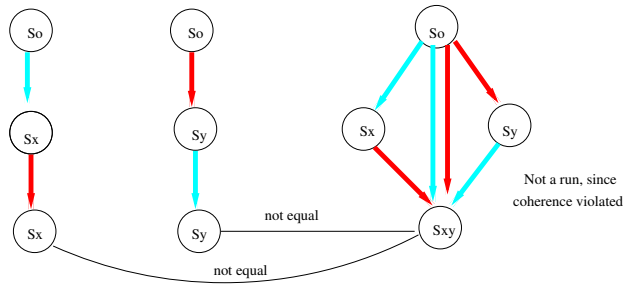
## Variants of simple example

The program consists of two agents, a door-Manager  $d$  and a window-manager  $w$  with the following programs:

```

programd = if ¬window then door := true // move x
programw = if ¬door then window := true // move y
    
```

In the initial state  $S_0$  let the door and window be closed, let  $d$  and  $w$  be in the agent set. How do the runs look like? Same  $\varrho$ 's as before.



## More variations

**Exercise 4.9.** Consider the following pair of agents  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$  ( $x = 2, y = 1$  in the initial state)

1.  $a = x := x + 1$  and  $b = x := x + 1$
2.  $a = x := x + 1$  and  $b = x := x - 1$
3.  $a = x := y$  and  $b = y := x$

Which runs are possible with partial-ordered sets containing two elements?

Try to characterize all the runs.

## More variations

Consider the following agents with the conventional interpretation:

1.  $Program_d = \text{if } \neg\text{window then } \text{door} := \text{true} // \text{move } x$
2.  $Program_w = \text{if } \neg\text{door then } \text{window} := \text{true} // \text{move } y$
3.  $Program_l = \text{if } \neg\text{light} \wedge (\neg\text{door} \vee \neg\text{window}) \text{ then } // \text{move } z$   
 $\text{light} := \text{true}$   
 $\text{door} := \text{false}$   
 $\text{window} := \text{false}$

Which end states are possible, when in the initial state the three constants are false?

## Further exercises

**Consumer-producer problem:** Assume a single producer agent and two or more consumer agents operating concurrently on a global shared structure. This data structure is linearly organized and the producer adds items at the one end side while the consumers can remove items at the opposite end of the data structure. For manipulating the data structure, assume operations *insert* and *remove* as introduced below.

```

insert : Item × ItemList → ItemList
remove : ItemList → (Item × ItemList)
    
```

- (1) Which kind of potential conflicts do you see?
- (2) How does the semantic model of partially ordered runs resolve such conflicts?

## Environment

Reactive systems are characterized by their interaction with the environment. This can be modeled with the help of an environment-agent. The runs can then contain this agent (with  $\lambda$ ),  $\lambda$  must define in this case the update-set of the environment in the corresponding move.

The coherence condition must also be valid for such runs.

For externally controlled functions this surely doesn't lead to inconsistencies in the update-set, the behaviour of the internal agents can of course be influenced. Inconsistent update-sets can arise in shared functions when there's a simultaneous execution of moves by an internal agent and the environment agent.

Often certain assumptions or restrictions (suppositions) concerning the environment are done.

In this aspect there are a lot of possibilities: the environment will be only observed or the environment meets stipulated integrity conditions.

## Time

The description of real-time behaviour must consider explicitly time aspects. This can be done successfully with help of timers (see SDL), global system time or local system time.

- ▶ The reactions can be instantaneous (the firing of the rules by the agents don't need time)
- ▶ Actions need time

Concerning the global time consideration, we assume, that there is on hand a linear ordered domain  $TIME$ , for instance with the following declarations:

$$domain \ (TIME, \leq), \ (TIME, \leq) \subset (\mathbb{R}, \leq)$$

In these cases the time will be measured with a discrete system watch: e.g.

$$monitored \ now \ : \rightarrow \ TIME$$

## ATM (Automatic Teller Machine)

**Exercise 4.10.** *Abstract modeling of a cash terminal:*  
 Three agents are in the model: *ct-manager*, *authentication-manager*, *account-manager*. To withdraw an amount from an account, the following logical operations must be executed:

1. Input the card (number) and the PIN.
2. Check the validity of the card and the PIN (*AU-manager*).
3. Input the amount.
4. Check if the amount can be withdrawn from the account (*ACC-manager*).
5. If OK, update the account's stand and give out the amount.
6. If it is not OK, show the corresponding message.

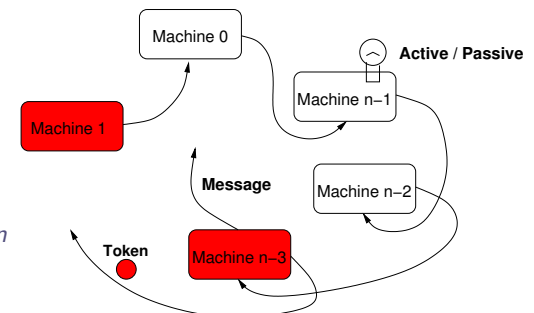
Implement an asynchronous communication model in which timeouts can cancel transactions .

## Distributed Termination Detection

**Example 4.11.** *Implement the following termination detection protocol:*

A passive machine becomes active, iff it receives a message from another machine.

Only active machines can send messages.



Edsger W. Dijkstra, W. H. J. Feijen, and A.J.M. van Gasteren. *Derivation of a Termination Detection Algorithm for Distributed Computations.* IPL 16 (1983).



## Distributed Termination Detection: Procedure

### Programs

► *SupervisorMachineProgram* =

```

ReactOnEvents(me)
if ¬ Active(me) ∧ token(me) ≠ undef then
  if color(me) = white ∧ token(me) = whiteToken then
    ReportGlobalTermination
  else
    Rule 3
    InitializeMachine(me)  Rule 4
    Forward(me, whiteToken)  Rule 4
  
```

## Distributed Termination Detection

### Initial states

$$\exists m_0 \in MACHINE$$

$$(program(m_0) = SupervisorMachineProgram \wedge$$

$$token(m_0) = redToken \wedge$$

$$(\forall m \in MACHINE)(m \neq m_0 \Rightarrow$$

$$(program(m) = RegularMachineProgram \wedge token(m) = undef)))$$

**Environment constraints** For all the executions and all linearizations holds:

$$\mathbf{G} (\forall m \in MACHINE)$$

$$(SendMessageEvent(m) = true \Rightarrow (\mathbf{P}(Active(m)) \wedge Active(m)))$$

$$\wedge ((Active(m) = true \wedge \mathbf{P}(\neg Active(m)) \Rightarrow$$

$$(\exists m' \in MACHINE) (m' \neq m \wedge SendMessageEvent(m'))))$$

### Nextconstraints

## Distributed Termination Detection

### Correctness of the abstract version: Dijkstra

**Suppositions:** The machines constitute a closed system, i.e. messages can only be dispatched among each other (no outside messages). The system in the initial state can have any color and several machines can be active. The token is located in the 0'th. machine. The given rules describe the transfer of the token and the coloration of the machines upon certain activities.

The task is to determine a state in which all the machines are passive (not active). This is a stable state of the system, because only active machines can dispatch messages and passive machines can only become active by receiving a message.

**The invariant:** Let t be the position on which the token is, then following invariant holds

$$(\forall i : t < i < n \ Machine_i \text{ is passive}) \vee (\exists j : 0 \leq j \leq t \ Machine_j \text{ is red}) \vee$$

$$(Token \text{ is red})$$

## Distributed Termination Detection

$$(\forall i : t < i < n \ Machine_i \text{ is passive}) \vee (\exists j : 0 \leq j \leq t \ Machine_j \text{ is red}) \vee$$

$$(Token \text{ is red})$$

### Correctness argument

When the token reaches  $Machine_o$ ,  $t = 0$  and the invariant holds.

If  
 $(Machine_o \text{ is passive}) \wedge (Machine_o \text{ is white}) \wedge (Token \text{ is white})$   
 then  
 $(\forall i : 0 < i < n \ Machine_i \text{ is passive})$  must hold, i.e. termination.

### Proof of the invariant

Induction over t:

The case  $t = n - 1$  is easy.

Assume the invariant is valid for  $0 < t < n$ , prove it is valid for  $t - 1$ .













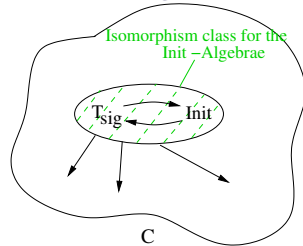


## Initial algebras

**Definition 6.10** (Initial algebras). A sig-Algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  is called *initial in a class  $C$*  of sig-algebras, if for each sig-Algebra  $\mathfrak{A}' \in C$  exists exactly one sig-homomorphism  $h : \mathfrak{A} \rightarrow \mathfrak{A}'$ .

**Notice:**  $T_{sig}$  is initial in the class of all sig-algebras (Lemma 6.9).

**Fact:** Initial algebras are isomorphic.



The **final algebras** can be defined analogously.

## Canonical homomorphisms

$\mathfrak{A}$  sig-Algebra,  $h : T_{sig} \rightarrow \mathfrak{A}$  interpretation homomorphism.

$\mathfrak{A}$  **sig-generated (term-generated)** iff

$\forall s \in S \quad h_s : \text{Term}_s(F) \rightarrow A_s$  surjective

The ground termalgebra is sig-generated.

ADT requirements:

- ▶ Independent of the representation (isomorphism class)
- ▶ Generated by the operations (sig-generated)  
Often: constructor subset

**Thesis:** An ADT is the isomorphism class of an initial algebra.

Ground termalgebras as initial algebras are ADT.

Notice by the properties of free termalgebras : functions from  $V$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$  can be extended to unique homomorphisms from  $T_{sig}(V)$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

## Equational specifications

For Specification's formalisms:

Classes of algebras that have initial algebras.

$\rightsquigarrow$  Horn-Logic (See bibliography)

```
sig INT      sorts int
ops  0 :→ int
     suc : int → int
     pred : int → int
```

## Equational specifications

**Definition 6.11.**  $\text{sig} = (S, F, \tau)$  signature,  $V$  system of variables.

a) **Equation:**  $(u, v) \in \text{Term}_s(F, V) \times \text{Term}_s(F, V)$

Write:  $u = v$

**Equational system  $E$  over sig,  $V$ :** Set of equations  $E$

b) **(Equational)-specification:**  $\text{spec} = (\text{sig}, E)$

where  $E$  is an equational system over  $F \cup V$ .

## Notation

Keyword **eqns**

**spec** INT

**sorts** int

**ops** 0 :→ int

suc, pred: int → int

**eqns** suc(pred(x)) = x

pred(suc(x)) = x

implicit

All-Quantification

often also a declaration

of the sorts

of the variables

Semantics::

- ▶ **loose** all models (PL1)
- ▶ **tight** (special model initial, final)
- ▶ **operational** (equational calculus + induction principle)

## Models of spec = (sig, E)

**Definition 6.12.**  $\mathfrak{A}$  sig-Algebra,  $V(S)$ - system of variables

a) **Assignment function**  $\varphi$  for  $\mathfrak{A}$ :  $\varphi_s : V_s \rightarrow A_s$  induces a

**valuation**  $\varphi : \text{Term}(F, V) \rightarrow \mathfrak{A}$  through

$\varphi(f) = f_{\mathfrak{A}}, f$  constant,  $\varphi(x) := \varphi_s(x), x \in V_s$

$\varphi(f(t_1, \dots, t_n)) = f_{\mathfrak{A}}(\varphi(t_1), \dots, \varphi(t_n))$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V_s & \xrightarrow{\varphi_s} & A_s \\ \text{Term}_s(F, V) & \xrightarrow{\varphi_s} & A_s \\ \text{Term}(F, V) & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & \mathfrak{A} \end{array} \quad \text{homomorphism}$$

(Proof!)

## Models of spec = (sig, E)

b)  $s = t$  equation over sig,  $V$

$\mathfrak{A} \models s = t$ :  $\mathfrak{A}$  satisfies  $s = t$  with assignment  $\varphi$  iff  $\varphi(s) = \varphi(t)$ , equality in  $A$ .

c)  $\mathfrak{A}$  satisfies  $s = t$  or  $s = t$  holds in  $\mathfrak{A}$

$\mathfrak{A} \models s = t$ : for each assignment  $\varphi$

$\mathfrak{A} \models s = t$

d)  $\mathfrak{A}$  is model of spec = (sig, E)

iff  $\mathfrak{A}$  satisfies each equation of E

$\mathfrak{A} \models E$  ALG(spec) class of the models of spec.

## Examples

**Example 6.13. 1)**

**spec** NAT

**sorts** nat

**ops** 0 :→ nat

s : nat → nat

$\_ + \_ : \text{nat}, \text{nat} \rightarrow \text{nat}$

**eqns**  $x + 0 = x$

$x + s(y) = s(x + y)$

## Examples

sig-algebras

- a)  $\mathfrak{A} = (\mathbb{N}, \hat{0}, \hat{+}, \hat{s})$   
 $\hat{0} = 0 \quad \hat{s}(n) = n + 1 \quad n \hat{+} m = n + m$
- b)  $\mathfrak{B} = (\mathbb{Z}, \hat{0}, \hat{+}, \hat{s})$   
 $\hat{0} = 1 \quad \hat{s}(i) = i \cdot 5 \quad i \hat{+} j = i \cdot j$
- c)  $\mathfrak{C} = (\{\text{true}, \text{false}\}, \hat{0}, \hat{+}, \hat{s})$   
 $\hat{0} = \text{false} \quad \hat{s}(\text{true}) = \text{false} \quad \hat{s}(\text{false}) = \text{true}$   
 $i \hat{+} j = i \vee j$

## Examples

$\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{B}, \mathfrak{C}$  are models of spec NAT

e.g.  $\mathfrak{B} : \varphi(x) = a \quad \varphi(y) = b \quad a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$   
 $\varphi(x + 0) = a \hat{+} \hat{0} = a \cdot 1 = a = \varphi(x)$   
 $\varphi(x + s(y)) = a \hat{+} \hat{s}(b) = a \cdot (b \cdot 5)$   
 $= (a \cdot b) \cdot 5 = \hat{s}(a \hat{+} b)$   
 $= \varphi(s(x + y))$

## Examples

2)

```
spec LIST(NAT)
use NAT
sorts nat, list
ops nil :→ list
    _._ : nat, list → list
    app : list, list → list
eqns app(nil, q2) = q2
     app(x.q1, q2) = x.app(q1, q2)
```

## Examples

spec-Algebra

$\mathfrak{A} \quad \mathbb{N}, \mathbb{N}^*$   
 $\hat{0} = 0 \quad \hat{+} = + \quad \hat{s} = +1$   
 $\hat{\text{nil}} = e \quad (\text{emptyword})$   
 $\hat{\cdot} (i, z) = i z$   
 $\widehat{\text{app}}(z_1, z_2) = z_1 z_2 \text{ (concatenation)}$



## Examples

3) spec INT  $\text{suc}(\text{pred}(x)) = x$   $\text{pred}(\text{suc}(x)) = x$

	1	2	3
$A_{\text{int}}$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{N}$	$\{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$
$0_{\mathfrak{A}_i}$	0	0	true
$\text{suc}_{\mathfrak{A}_i}$	$\text{suc}_{\mathbb{Z}}$	$\text{suc}_{\mathbb{N}}$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{true} \rightarrow \text{false} \\ \text{false} \rightarrow \text{true} \end{array} \right\}$
$\text{pred}_{\mathfrak{A}_i}$	$\text{pred}_{\mathbb{Z}}$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} n+1 \rightarrow n \\ 0 \rightarrow 0 \end{array} \right\}$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{true} \rightarrow \text{false} \\ \text{false} \rightarrow \text{true} \end{array} \right\}$
	+	-	+

## Examples

	4	5	6
$A_{\text{int}}$	$\{a, b\}^* \cup \mathbb{Z}$	$\{1\}^+ \cup \{0\}^+ \cup \{z\}$	!
$0_{\mathfrak{A}_i}$	0	z	!
$\text{suc}_{\mathfrak{A}_i}$	$\text{suc}_{\mathbb{Z}}$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1^n \rightarrow 1^{n+1} \\ z \rightarrow 1 \\ 0^{n+1} \rightarrow 0^n \\ 0 \rightarrow z \end{array} \right\}$	id
$\text{pred}_{\mathfrak{A}_i}$	$\text{pred}_{\mathbb{Z}}$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1^{n+1} \rightarrow 1^n \\ 1 \rightarrow z \\ z \rightarrow 0 \\ 0^n \rightarrow 0^{n+1} \end{array} \right\}$	id
	-	+	+

## Substitution

**Definition 6.14** (sig,  $\text{Term}(F, V)$ ).  $\sigma :: \sigma_s : V_s \rightarrow \text{Term}_s(F, V)$ ,  
 $\sigma_s(x) \in \text{Term}_s(F, V)$ ,  $x \in V_s$   
 $\sigma(x) = x$  for almost every  $x \in V$

$D(\sigma) = \{x \mid \sigma(x) \neq x\}$  finite: domain of  $\sigma$

Write  $\sigma = \{x_1 \leftarrow t_1, \dots, x_n \leftarrow t_n\}$

Extension to homomorphism  $\sigma : \text{Term}(F, V) \rightarrow \text{Term}(F, V)$

$$\sigma(f(t_1, \dots, t_n)) = f(\sigma(t_1), \dots, \sigma(t_n))$$

Ground substitution:  $t_i \in \text{Term}_S(F)$   $x_i \in D(\sigma)_S$

## Loose semantics

**Definition 6.15.**  $\text{spec} = (\text{sig}, E)$   
 $\text{ALG}(\text{spec}) = \{\mathfrak{A} \mid \text{sig-Algebra}, \mathfrak{A} \models E\}$  sometimes alternatively

$\text{ALG}_{\text{TG}}(\text{spec}) = \{\mathfrak{A} \mid \text{term-generated sig-Algebra}, \mathfrak{A} \models E\}$

Find: Characterizations of equations that are valid in  $\text{ALG}(\text{spec})$  or  $\text{ALG}_{\text{TG}}(\text{spec})$ .

a) *Semantical equality:*  $E \models s = t$

b) *Operational equality:*  $t_1 \stackrel{E}{\dashv} t_2$  iff

There is  $p \in 0(t_1)$ ,  $s = t \in E$ , substitution  $\sigma$  with

$$t_1|_p \equiv \sigma(s), t_2 \equiv t_1[\sigma(t)]_p(t_1[p \leftarrow \sigma(t)])$$

$$\text{or } t_1|_p \equiv \sigma(t), t_2 \equiv t_1[\sigma(s)]_p$$

$$t_1 =_E t_2 \text{ iff } t_1 \stackrel{*}{\dashv}_E t_2$$

Formalization of replace equals  $\leftrightarrow$  equals





















## Example

**Example 7.12.** *spec* ELEM  $(T_{spec})_{elem} = \emptyset$   
*sorts* elem  
*ops* next : elem → elem

*spec* STRING[ELEM]  $(T_{spec})_{string} = \{\text{[empty]}\}$   
*use* ELEM  
*sorts* string  
*ops* empty : → string  
 unit : elem → string  
 concat : string, string → string  
 ladd : elem, string → string  
 radd : string, elem → string

## Example (Cont.)

*eqns* concat(*s*, empty) = *s*  
 concat(empty, *s*) = *s*  
 concat(concat(*s*<sub>1</sub>, *s*<sub>2</sub>), *s*<sub>3</sub>) = concat(*s*<sub>1</sub>, concat(*s*<sub>2</sub>, *s*<sub>3</sub>))  
 ladd(*e*, *s*) = concat(unit(*e*), *s*)  
 radd(*s*, *e*) = concat(*s*, unit(*e*))

Parameter passing: ELEM → NAT

STRING[ELEM] → STRING[NAT]

Assignment: formal parameter → current parameter

$$S_F \rightarrow S_A$$

$$Op \rightarrow Op_A$$

Mapping of the sorts and functions, semantics?

## Signature morphisms - Parameter passing

**Definition 7.13.** a) Let  $sig_i = (S_i, F_i, \tau_i)$   $i = 1, 2$  be signatures. A pair of functions  $\sigma = (g, h)$  with  $g : S_1 \rightarrow S_2, h : F_1 \rightarrow F_2$  is a *signature morphism*, in case that for every  $f \in F_1$

$$\tau_2(hf) = g(\tau_1 f)$$

(*g* extended to  $g : S_1^* \rightarrow S_2^*$ ).

In the example  $g :: elem \rightarrow nat$   $h :: next \rightarrow suc$

Also  $\sigma : sig_{BOOL} \rightarrow sig_{NAT}$  with

$$g :: bool \rightarrow nat$$

$$h :: true \rightarrow 0 \quad not \rightarrow suc \quad and \rightarrow plus$$

$$false \rightarrow 0 \quad or \rightarrow times$$

is a signature morphism.

## Signature morphisms - Parameter passing

b) *spec* = Body[Formal] parameterised specification and *Actual* a standard specification (i.e. with an initial semantics). A *parameter passing* is a signature morphism  $\sigma : sig(\text{Formal}) \rightarrow sig(\text{Actual})$  in which *Actual* is called the current parameter specification.

(Actual,  $\sigma$ ) defines a specification VALUE through the following syntactical changes to Body:

- 1) Replace Formal with Actual: Body[Actual].
- 2) Replace in the arities of  $op : s_1 \dots s_n \rightarrow s_0 \in \text{Body}$ , which are not in Formal,  $s_i \in \text{Formal}$  with  $\sigma(s_i)$ .
- 3) Replace in each not-formal equation  $L = R$  of Body each  $op \in \text{Formal}$  with  $\sigma(op)$ .
- 4) Interpret each variable of a type  $s$  with  $s \in \text{Formal}$  as variable of type  $\sigma(s)$ .
- 5) Avoid name conflicts between actual and Body/Formal by renaming properly.













