

Partitioning predicates and punctual functions (see EWD955)

Let  $f$  be a function from structures to structures, both on the same space. We then have Leibniz's Rule, i.e.

$$(0) \quad (\underline{A} X, Y :: [X=Y] \Rightarrow [f.X = f.Y])$$

We may have the stronger

$$(1) \quad (\underline{A} X, Y :: [X=Y \Rightarrow f.X = f.Y])$$

a state of affairs we characterize by saying " $f$  is a punctual function". In this note we present another characterization of punctual dependence, viz. distribution over partitioning.

In what follows

- green and yellow are some space-independent types (like boolean, real, integer, etc.)
- $c$  is a green variable
- $B$  is a function from a green argument to a boolean structure and it is partitioning, i.e.

$$[(\underline{N}c: B.c: true) = 1]$$

- $R$  is a function from a green argument to a yellow structure

We now consider the equation in the unknown yellow structure  $Z$

$$(2) \quad Z: [(\underline{Q}c: B.c: Z = R.c)]$$

in which,  $B$  being partitioning, it does not matter whether we read  $\underline{A}$  or  $\underline{E}$  for  $\underline{Q}$  — see EWD955 —.

In order to show that the solution of (2), if existing, is unique, we first prove

Lemma 0 For partitioning  $B$  and boolean structure  $X$  we have

$$[(\underline{Q}c: B.c: X)] \equiv [X]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof } & [(\underline{Q}c: B.c: X)] \\ &= \{ \text{EWD955} \} \\ & [(\underline{E}c: B.c: X)] \\ &= \{ \text{pred. calc} \} \\ & [(\underline{E}c: B.c: \text{true}) \wedge X] \\ &= \{ \text{rel. between } \underline{E} \text{ and } \underline{N} \} \\ & [(\underline{N}c: B.c: \text{true}) \geq 1 \wedge X] \\ &= \{ B \text{ is partitioning} \} \\ & [X] \end{aligned}$$

(End of Proof.)

We now observe

$$\begin{aligned} & [(\underline{Q}c: B.c: U=R.c)] \wedge [(\underline{Q}c: B.c: V=R.c)] \\ &= \{ \text{EWD955} \} \\ & [(\underline{A}c: B.c: U=R.c)] \wedge [(\underline{A}c: B.c: V=R.c)] \\ &= \{ \text{pred. calc.} \} \\ & [(\underline{A}c: B.c: U=R.c \wedge V=R.c)] \\ &\Rightarrow \{ \text{pred. calc.} \} \\ & [(\underline{A}c: B.c: U=V)] \\ &= \{ \text{Lemma 0} \} \\ & [U=V] \end{aligned}$$

From which the uniqueness follows.

But does the solution of (2) always exist? It does if "yellow" means "boolean"; then we can write it down in closed form, viz.

$$(3) \quad (\underline{Q}c: B.c: R.c)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Proof } & [(\underline{Q}c: B.c: (\underline{Q}d: B.d: R.d) \Rightarrow R.c)] & (x) \\
 & = \{EWD 955\} \\
 & [(\underline{A}c: B.c: (\underline{Q}d: B.d: R.d) \Rightarrow R.c)] \\
 & = \{\text{pred. calc}\} \\
 & [(\underline{Q}d: B.d: R.d) \Rightarrow (\underline{A}c: B.c: R.c)] \\
 & = \{EWD 955\} \\
 & \text{true}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & [(\underline{Q}c: B.c: (\underline{Q}d: B.d: R.d) \Leftarrow R.c)] & (xx) \\
 & = \{EWD 955\} \\
 & [(\underline{E}c: B.c: (\underline{Q}d: B.d: R.d) \Leftarrow R.c)] \\
 & = \{\text{pred. calc}\} \\
 & [(\underline{Q}d: B.d: R.d) \Leftarrow (\underline{A}c: B.c: R.c)] \\
 & = \{EWD 955\} \\
 & \text{true}
 \end{aligned}$$

From (x) and (xx) follows that (3) solves (2).  
(End of Proof.)

For "yellow" another than boolean, we postulate that (2) has a solution. As  $\underline{Q}$  stands traditionally for  $\underline{A}$  or  $\underline{E}$ , we invent a new notation; in view of the close connection with the case expression, we write the solution of (2) as

$$(4) \quad (\underline{I}c: B.c: R.c)$$

Note For "yellow" meaning "real" or "integer",  $\underline{I}$  could stand for  $\underline{MIN}$ ,  $\underline{MAX}$ ,  $\underline{SUM}$ , or  $\underline{PRODUCT}$ . For these operations the analogue of the one-point rule holds.  
(End of Note.)

Now we can formulate

Theorem "function  $f$  is punctual"  $\equiv$

" $[f.(Qc: B.c: R.c) = (Qc: B.c: f.(R.c))]$   
for all  $R$  and partitioning  $B$ "

Proof

LHS  $\Rightarrow$  RHS

With  $[Z = (Qc: B.c: R.c)]$ , we derive for any  $R$  and  $B$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{RHS} \\
 &= \{\text{def. of } Z\} \\
 & [f.Z = (Qc: B.c: f.(R.c))] \\
 &= \{\text{def. of } Q, (2) \text{ with } Z, R.c := f.Z, f.(R.c)\} \\
 & [(Qc: B.c: f.Z = f.(R.c))] \quad (***) \\
 &\Leftarrow \{\text{LHS, i.e. (1) with } X, Y := Z, R.c\} \\
 & [(Qc: B.c: Z = R.c)] \\
 &= \{\text{def. of } Z \text{ and } Q, (2)\} \\
 & \text{true}
 \end{aligned}$$

RHS  $\Rightarrow$  LHS

For arbitrary  $X$  and  $Y$ , we have to show, using RHS,

$$[X=Y \Rightarrow f.X = f.Y]$$

In view of (\*\*\*) we shall derive this by proper instantiation of RHS, viz.

- $c$  ranges over the two boolean structures  $X=Y$  and  $X \neq Y$
- $B$  is the identity function; in view of  $[(X=Y) \neq (X \neq Y)]$ ,  $B$  is partitioning
- $[R.(X=Y) = X]$  and  $[R.(X \neq Y) = Y]$

With  $Z$ , as above:  $[Z = (Qc: B.c: R.c)]$ ,  $Z$  is with this instantiation given as the unique solution of (see (2)), with  $Q := \underline{E}$ ,

$$Z: [(X=Y \wedge Z=X) \vee (X \neq Y \wedge Z=Y)]$$

of which the -only!- solution Z is given by

$$[Z=Y]$$

After this groundwork we proceed

RHS

$$= \{ \text{see } (***) \text{, and } \underline{Q} := \underline{A} \}$$

$$[(\underline{A}c: B.c: f.Z = f.(R.c))]$$

$$\Rightarrow \{ \text{with the given instantiation, } c := (X=Y) \}$$

$$[X=Y \Rightarrow f.Z = f.(R.(X=Y))]$$

$$= \{ [Z=Y] \text{ and } [R.(X=Y) = X] \text{ and } (0) \}$$

$$[X=Y \Rightarrow f.Y = f.X]$$

(End of Proof.)

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