

Extension: IMP plus arrays

Case study:

To illustrate a more realistic example, we

- extend IMP by arrays
- extend the Hoare logic appropriately
- verify the splitting step according to the program and specification given in the introduction

See » `HoareIMParray.thy`

Section 8.5

Software verification tools

Overview

Considered techniques and tools:

- Embedding programming into HO interactive theorem proving (e.g., theory `Simpl.thy` written in Isabelle/HOL)
- Tools for interactive software verification (e.g., KeY, Why)
- Extended static checking (e.g., Spec#, Chalice, VeriFast)
- Specification and refinement (e.g., Event B, KIV)
- Automated theorem proving, in particular:
 - Superposition provers (e.g., SPASS, E)
 - SMT solvers and model checkers (e.g., Z3, SPIN)

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Embedding programming into HO interactive theorem proving

General approach

- Specify programming language syntax and semantics in an interactive theorem prover for HOL
- Use HOL as specification language for program properties
- Use the HOL proof system for verification

Example program: Quicksort on heap lists

Illustrating:

- Handling of programming language aspects:
 - recursive procedures
 - local and global variables
 - pointers and heaps
- Handling of specification aspects:
 - heap-manipulation using abstraction
 - frame properties
- Problems of embedding

Example: Verifying Simpl programs

Simpl (by N. Schirmer [Archives of formal proofs]):

A sequential imperative programming language:

- mutually recursive procedures
- abrupt termination and exceptions
- runtime faults
- local and global variables
- pointers and heaps
- expressions with side-effects
- pointers to procedures
- partial application and closures
- dynamic method invocation
- unbounded nondeterminism

Modeling of a program specific state

Heap for singly-linked lists (sll-heaps):

```
record globals_heap =
  next_ ' :: "ref ⇒ ref"
  cont_ ' :: "ref ⇒ nat"
```

A predicate to abstract sll-heaps:

```
primrec List :: ref ⇒ (ref⇒ref) ⇒ ref list ⇒ bool
where
  List x h []      = (x = Null) |
  List x h (p#ps) = (x = p ∧ x ≠ Null ∧ List (h x) h ps)
```

Modeling of a program specific state (2)

The variables for procedures `append` and `quickSort`

```
record 'g vars = "'g state" +
  p_ '   :: "ref"
  q_ '   :: "ref"
  le_ '  :: "ref"
  gt_ '  :: "ref"
  hd_ '  :: "ref"
  tl_ '  :: "ref"
```

Implementation and specification of procedure `append`

```
procedures append(p,q|p) =
  "IF 'p=NULL THEN 'p ::= 'q
   ELSE 'p→'next ::= CALL append('p→'next,'q) FI"

append_spec:
  "∀σ Ps Qs. Γ ⊢
   { σ. List 'p 'next Ps ∧ List 'q 'next Qs ∧
     set Ps ∩ set Qs = {} }
   'p ::= PROC append('p,'q)
   { List 'p 'next (Ps@Qs) ∧
     (∀x. x∉set Ps → 'next x = σnext x) }"

append_modifies:
  "∀σ. Γ ⊢
   { σ }
   'p ::= PROC append('p,'q)
   { t. t may_only_modify_globals σ in [next] }"
```

Implementation of procedure `quickSort`

```
procedures quickSort(p|p) =
  "IF 'p=NULL THEN SKIP
   ELSE 'tl ::= 'p→'next;; 'le ::= Null;; 'gt ::= Null;;
   WHILE 'tl≠Null DO
     'hd ::= 'tl;; 'tl ::= 'tl→'next;;
     IF 'hd→'cont ≤ 'p→'cont
       THEN 'hd→'next ::= 'le;; 'le ::= 'hd
        ELSE 'hd→'next ::= 'gt;; 'gt ::= 'hd
     FI
   OD;;
  'le ::= CALL quickSort('le);;
  'gt ::= CALL quickSort('gt);;
  'p→'next ::= 'gt;;
  'le ::= CALL append('le,'p);;
  'p ::= 'le
  FI"
```

Specification of procedure `quickSort`

```
quickSort_spec:
  "∀σ Ps. Γ ⊢
   { σ. List 'p 'next Ps }
   'p ::= PROC quickSort('p)
   { (∃ sortedPs. List 'p 'next sortedPs ∧
     sorted (op ≤) (map σcont sortedPs) ∧
     Ps <~~> sortedPs ) ∧
     (∀x. x∉set Ps → 'next x = σnext x) }"

quickSort_modifies:
  "∀σ. Γ ⊢
   { σ }
   'p ::= PROC quickSort('p)
   { t. t may_only_modify_globals σ in [next] }"
```

Discussion of embedding approach

- Advantages:
 - ▶ powerful specification language and reasoning support
 - ▶ flexible for experimenting with languages
 - ▶ meta-logical aspects can be handled
- Disadvantages:
 - ▶ handling (realistic) programs can be a bit cumbersome
 - ▶ realizing convenient IDEs expensive

General approach

- Programming-language-specific front end/development environment
- Programming-language-specific specification language
- Verification condition generator (VCG)
- Possibly several provers to discharge the VCs (automated and/or interactive)

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Tools for interactive software verification

Example systems

- KeY: <http://www.key-project.org/>
 - ▶ programming language: JavaCard; specifications in JML
 - ▶ based on an interactive prover for dynamic logic
 - ▶ makes extensive use of symbolic evaluation
- Why, Why3: <http://why.lri.fr/>
 - ▶ programming languages: Java subset, C subset
 - ▶ specific specification languages
 - ▶ general-purpose verification condition generator
 - ▶ uses many interactive and automated provers