

An Introduction to the Z Notation

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What is Formal Specification

- 🌐 Use **mathematical notation** to describe in a precise way the **properties** which an information **system must have**, without unduly constraining the way in which these properties are achieved.
- 🌐 Formal specifications describe **what the system must do** without saying *how* it is to be done.
- 🌐 A formal specification can serve as a single, reliable reference point for those
 - ☀ who investigate the customer's needs,
 - ☀ who implement programs to satisfy those needs,
 - ☀ who test the results, and
 - ☀ who write instruction manuals for the system.

Specification Qualities

A **good specification** should be

-  abstract and complete.
-  clear and unambiguous.
-  concise and comprehensible.
-  easy to maintain and cost-effective.

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What is Z Notation

- 🌐 Z (pronounced *Zed*) is a formal **specification language** used for **describing and modeling computing systems**.
- 🌐 The Z notation is based on
 - ☀️ The **mathematical language** is used to describe objects and their properties. (e.g., sets, logic, and relations)
 - ☀️ Mathematical objects and their properties can be collected together in schema. The **schema language** is used to describe the state of a system, and the ways in which that state may change.
 - ☀️ The **theory of refinement**: the mathematical data types of specification to be implemented by more computer-oriented data type in a design.

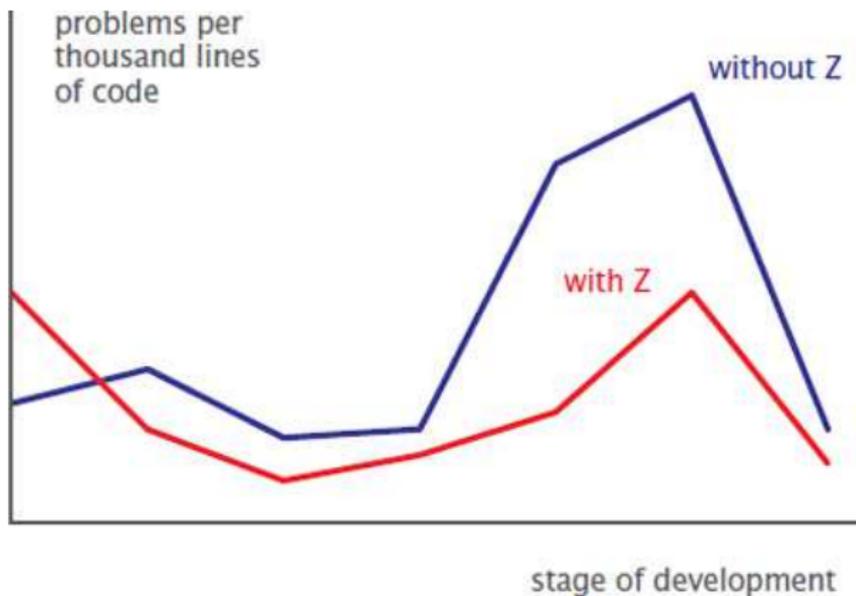
What is Z Notation

We can use Z to

-  describe data structures.
-  model system state.
-  explain design intentions.
-  verify development steps.

What is Z Notation

Qualitative Results



-  Sets
-  Relations
-  Functions
-  Numbers and finiteness

Mathematical Language: Sets

Set comprehension:

Given any non-empty set S , we can define a new set by considering only those elements of S that satisfy some property p .

 Denote the set of elements x in S that satisfy predicate p .

$$\{x : S \mid p\}$$

 Example: suppose that a red car is seen driving away from the scene of a crime. If *Person* denotes the set of all people, then the set to consider is given by

$$\{x : \textit{Person} \mid x \text{ drives a red car}\}$$

Mathematical Language: Sets

🌐 *Term comprehension:*

We may also describe a set of objects constructed from certain elements of a given set.

- 🌐 Denote the **set of all expressions** e such that x is drawn from s and satisfies p .

$$\{x : s \mid p \bullet e\}$$

- 🌐 Example: In order to pursue their investigation of the crime, the authorities require a set of addresses to visit. This set is given by

$$\{x : \textit{Person} \mid x \text{ drives a red car} \bullet \textit{address}(x)\}$$

Mathematical Language: Sets

- 🌐 A comprehension without a term part is equivalent to one in which the term is the same as the bound variable:

$$\{x : s \mid p\} == \{x : s \mid p \bullet x\}$$

- 🌐 The comprehension without a predicate part is equivalent to the one with the predicate *true*:

$$\{x : s \bullet e\} == \{x : s \mid \textit{true} \bullet e\}$$

Mathematical Language: Sets

- Denote the set of expression e formed as x and y range over a and b , respectively, and satisfy predicate p .

$$\{x : a; y : b \mid p \bullet e\}$$

- Example: an eyewitness account has established that the driver of the red car had an accomplice, and that this accomplice left a copy of the Daily Mail at the scene:

$$\{x : \textit{Person}; y : \textit{Person} \mid x \text{ is associated with } y \\ \wedge x \text{ drives a red car} \\ \wedge y \text{ reads the Daily Mail} \bullet x\}$$

Mathematical Language: Sets

Power set:

If a is a set, then the set of all subsets of a is called the *power set* of a , and written $\mathbb{P} a$.

Example:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{☀} \quad \mathbb{P} \{x,y\} &= \{ \emptyset, \{x\}, \{y\}, \{x,y\} \} \\ \text{☀} \quad \{1,2,3,4\} &\in \mathbb{P} \mathbb{N} \end{aligned}$$

Mathematical Language: Sets

Cartesian product :

If X and Y are sets, then the Cartesian product $X \times Y$ is the set of all possible ordered pairs (x,y) , where x is an element of X and y is an element of Y :

$$X \times Y = \{(x, y) \mid x \in X \text{ and } y \in Y\}$$

Example:

$$\img alt="Sun icon" data-bbox="108 664 134 700"/> $\{1,2\} \times \{3,4\} = \{(1,3), (1,4), (2,3), (2,4)\}$$$

Mathematical Language: Sets

Types :

A type is a **maximal set**, at least within the confines of the current specification.

The Z notation has a single built-in type: the set of all integers \mathbb{Z} :

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

-  Any other types may be constructed from \mathbb{Z} , or from user-defined **basic types**.
-  Every expression that appears in Z specification is associated with a **unique type**, and if the expression is defined, then the value of the expression is a member of its type.

Mathematical Language: Relations

Binary relations

Denotes the set of all relations between X and Y :

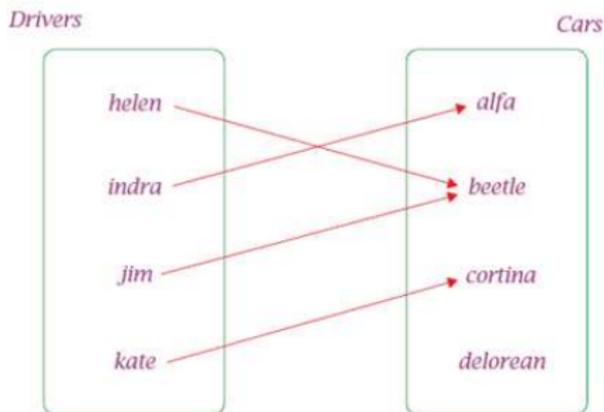
$$X \leftrightarrow Y == \mathbb{P}(X \times Y)$$

Maplet

The pair (x,y) can be written as $x \mapsto y$.

$$\frac{[X, Y] \quad _ \mapsto _ : X \times Y \rightarrow X \times Y}{\forall x : X; y : Y \bullet x \mapsto y = (x, y)}$$

Mathematical Language: Relations



$_drives_ : Drivers \leftrightarrow Cars$

$drives = \{helen \mapsto beetle, indra \mapsto alfa, jim \mapsto beetle, kate \mapsto cortina\}$

Mathematical Language: Relations

🌐 For a relation

$$R : X \leftrightarrow Y$$

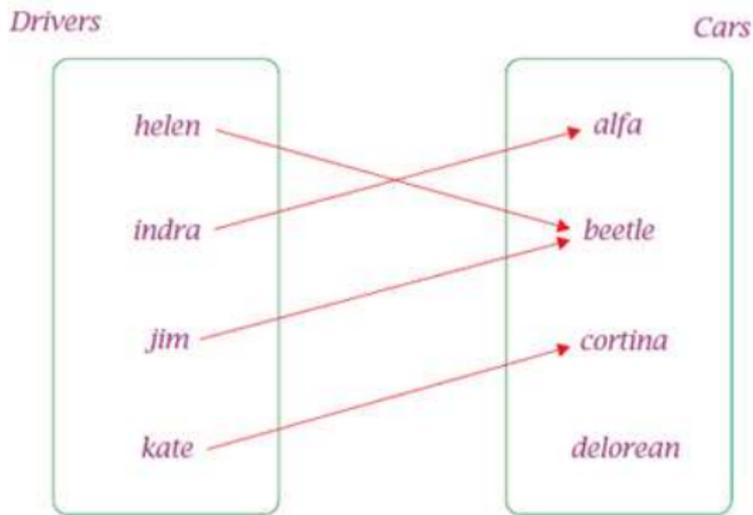
its domain and range could be represented as:

$$\text{dom } R = \{x : X; y : Y \mid x \mapsto y \in R \bullet x\}$$

$$\text{ran } R = \{x : X; y : Y \mid x \mapsto y \in R \bullet y\}$$

Mathematical Language: Relations

🌐 Domain and Range Example: Function-Drives



$$\text{dom drives} = \{helen, indra, jim, kate\}$$

$$\text{ran drives} = \{alfa, beetle, cortina\}$$

Mathematical Language: Relations

Domain Subtraction

$$A \triangleleft R = \{x : X; y : Y \mid x \mapsto y \in R \wedge x \notin A \bullet x \mapsto y\}$$

An example of domain subtraction

If we are concerned only with people who are not called 'Helen', then the relation $\{Helen\} \triangleleft \textit{drives}$ tells us all that we want to know. It is a relation with three elements:

$$\{Indra \mapsto \textit{alfa}, Jim \mapsto \textit{beetle}, Kate \mapsto \textit{cortina}\}$$

Mathematical Language: Relations

Domain $\text{dom } R = \{x : X; y : Y \mid x \mapsto y \in R \bullet x\}$

Range $\text{ran } R = \{x : X; y : Y \mid x \mapsto y \in R \bullet y\}$

Domain Restriction

$$A \triangleleft R = \{x : X; y : Y \mid x \mapsto y \in R \wedge x \in A \bullet x \mapsto y\}$$

Range Restriction

$$R \triangleright B = \{x : X; y : Y \mid x \mapsto y \in R \wedge y \in B \bullet x \mapsto y\}$$

Domain Subtraction

$$A \triangleleft R = \{x : X; y : Y \mid x \mapsto y \in R \wedge x \notin A \bullet x \mapsto y\}$$

Range Subtraction

$$R \triangleright B = \{x : X; y : Y \mid x \mapsto y \in R \wedge y \notin B \bullet x \mapsto y\}$$

Mathematical Language: Functions

Partial functions

From X to Y is a relation that maps each element of X to at most one element of Y . The element of Y , if it exists, is written $f(x)$.

$$X \mapsto Y == \{f : X \leftrightarrow Y \mid \forall x : X; y_1, y_2 : Y \bullet \\ (x \mapsto y_1) \in f \wedge (x \mapsto y_2) \in f \Rightarrow y_1 = y_2\}$$

Total functions

The set of total functions are partial functions whose domain is the whole of X . They relate each element of X to exactly one element of Y .

$$X \rightarrow Y == \{f : X \mapsto Y \mid \text{dom } f = X\}$$

Mathematical Language: Functions

- 🌐 **Partial Functions**: each element of the source set is mapped to at most one element of the target.
- Total Functions**: each element of the source set is mapped to some element of the target.
- 🌐 **Injective** (1 to 1): each element of the domain is mapped to a different element of the target.
 - ☀️ \rightsquigarrow : partial, injective functions
 - ☀️ \rightarrow : total, injective functions
- 🌐 **Surjective** (onto): the range of the function is the whole of the target
 - ☀️ \twoheadrightarrow : partial, surjective functions
 - ☀️ \twoheadrightarrow : total, surjective functions
- 🌐 **Bijjective** (1 to 1 correspondence): both injective and surjective
 - ☀️ $\xrightarrow{\sim}$: total, bijective functions

Mathematical Language: Functions

🌐 Overriding

If f and g are functions of the same type, then $f \oplus g$ is a function that agrees with f everywhere outside the domain of g ; but agrees with g where g is defined.

$$\frac{[X, Y]}{- \oplus - : (X \leftrightarrow Y) \times (X \leftrightarrow Y) \rightarrow (X \leftrightarrow Y)}$$

$$\forall f, g : X \leftrightarrow Y \bullet \\ f \oplus g = (\text{dom } g \triangleleft f) \cup g$$

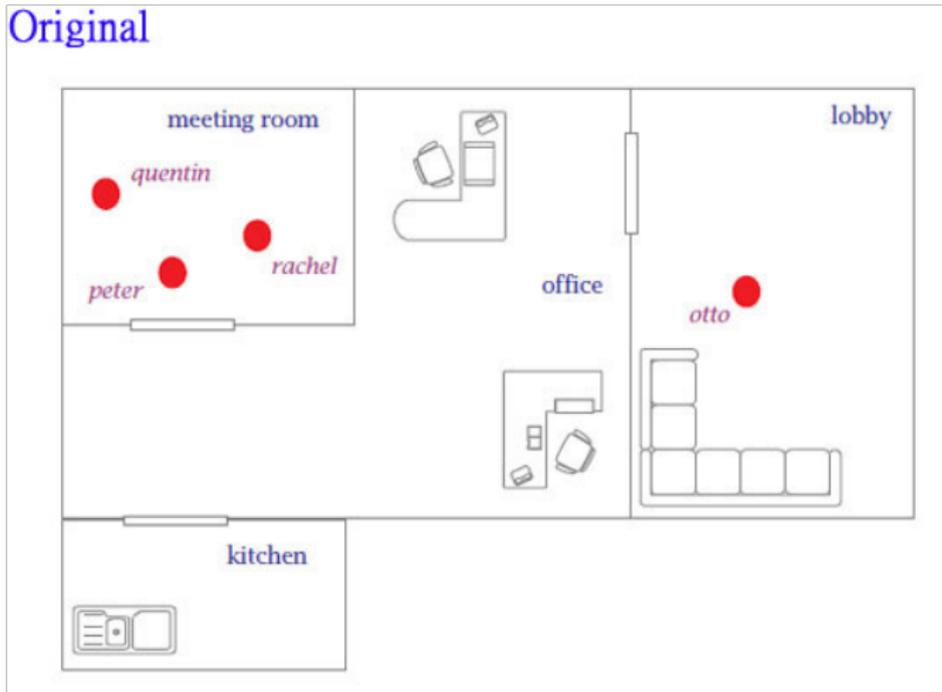
$$names' = names \oplus \{i \mapsto v\}$$

Overriding

🌐 Take this function for example:

where_is \in *Person* \rightarrow *Location*

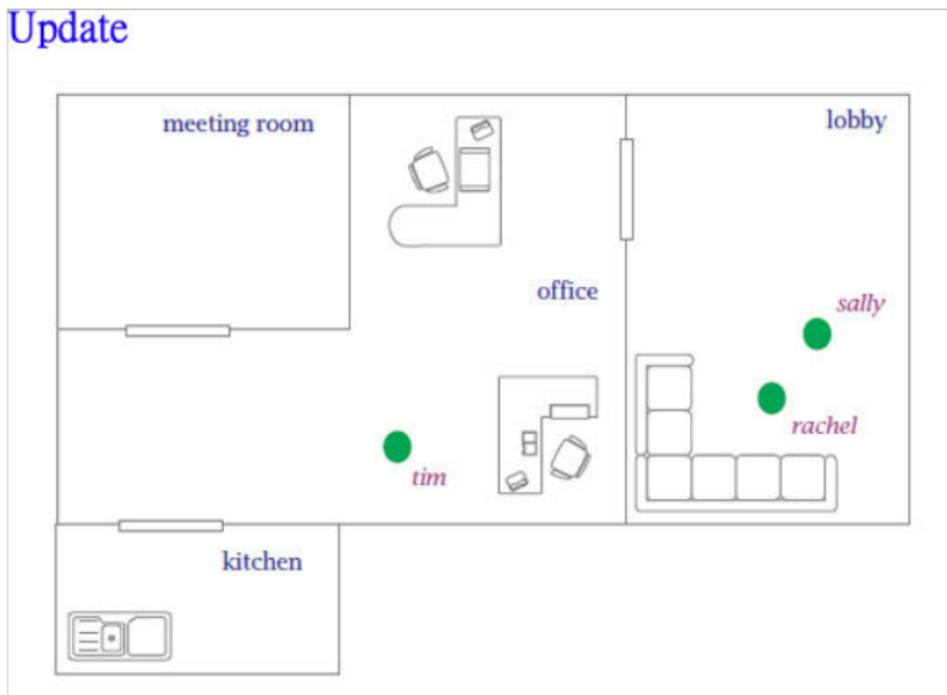
Original



Overriding

$update = \{rachel \rightarrow lobby, sally \rightarrow lobby, tim \rightarrow office\}$

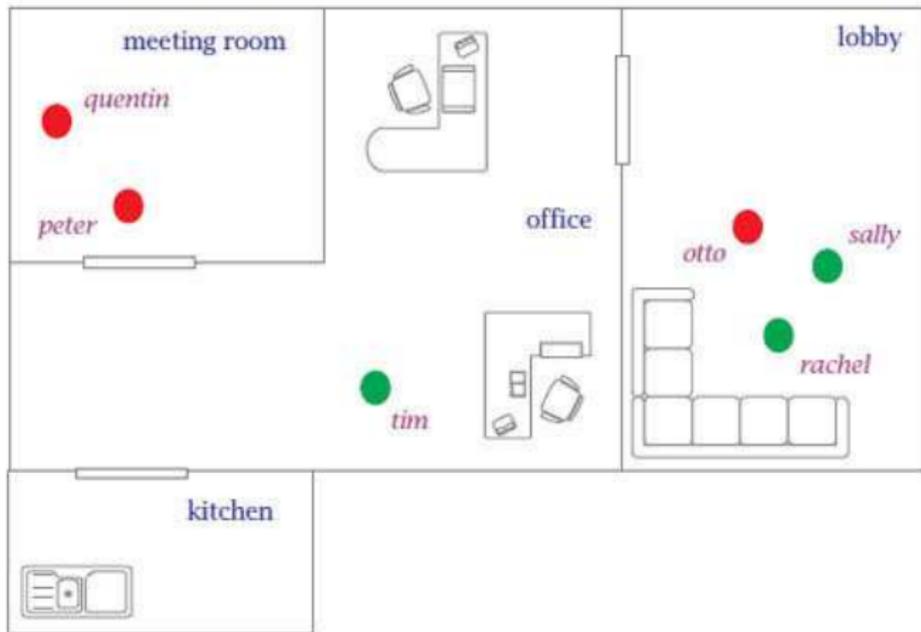
Update



Overriding

$where_now = where_is \oplus update$

Override



Mathematical Language: Numbers and finiteness

Natural numbers

$$\mathbb{N} == \{n : \mathbb{Z} \mid n \geq 0\}$$

Strictly positive integers

$$\mathbb{N}_1 == \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$$

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We can write the text of a **schema** in one of two the following two forms:



or

$$Name \hat{=} [declaration \mid constraint]$$

$$\textit{Name} \hat{=} [a : \mathbb{Z}; c : \mathbb{P}\mathbb{Z} \mid c \neq \phi \wedge a \in c]$$

Name _____

$a : \mathbb{Z}$

$c : \mathbb{P}\mathbb{Z}$

$c \neq \phi$

$a \in c$

Schema Language

We can use the language of schemas to describe the **state** of a system, and **operation** upon it.

Suppose that the **state of a system** is modeled by the following schema

<i>State</i>
$a : A$ $b : B$
P

Schema Language

To describe an operation upon the state, we use two copies of *State*: one representing the state before the operation; the other representing the state afterwards.

$$\begin{array}{l} \textit{State}' \\ \hline a' : A \\ b' : B \\ \hline P[a'/a, b'/b] \end{array}$$

The constraint part of the schema is modified to reflect the new names of the state variables.

Schema Language

Then we can describe an operation by including both *State* and *State'* in the declaration part of a schema. For example,



The behavior of the operation is described in the constraint part of the schema.

Note that the schema also includes an **input component of type I** and an **output component of type O** .

Schema Language

When a schema name appears in a declaration part of a schema, the result is a **merging of declarations** and a **conjunction of constraints**.

OperationOne _____

State

State'

OperationTwo _____

a, a' : A

b, b' : B

P

P[a'/a, b'/b]

Schema Language

Δ *Schema* can be applied whenever we wish to describe an operation that may **change the state**.

Δ *Schema*

Schema

Schema'

Ξ *Schema* can be applied whenever we wish to describe an operation that does **not change the state**.

Ξ *Schema*

Δ *Schema*

θ *Schema* = θ *Schema'*

Note: θ here means the valuation of variables in the schema.

Schema Language

- 🌐 Different aspects of the state can be described as separate schemas; these schemas may be combined in various ways using *schema operators*:

- ☀ The logical schema operators:

\wedge
 \vee
 \neg
 \forall
 \exists

- ☀ The relational schema operators:

\circ – *Sequential composition*
 \gg – *Piping*

Schema Language

- 🌐 If S and T are two schemas, then their **conjunction** $S \wedge T$ is a schema
 - ☀️ whose declaration is a merge of the two declarations.
 - ☀️ whose constraint is a conjunction of the two constraints.
- 🌐 Their **disjunction** $S \vee T$ is a schema
 - ☀️ whose declaration is a merge of the two declarations.
 - ☀️ whose constraint is a disjunction of the two constraints.

S

a : *A*

b : *B*

P

T

b : *B*

c : *C*

Q

Schema Language

The schema $S \wedge T$ (conjunction) is equivalent to

$S \wedge T$
$a : A$
$b : B$
$c : C$
$P \wedge Q$

The schema $S \vee T$ (disjunction) is equivalent to

$S \vee T$
$a : A$
$b : B$
$c : C$
$P \vee Q$

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The Birthday Book

Basic three functions:

-  Add new birthday-name record.
-  Find the birthday of a person.
-  Give a date, return names of people whose birthday is exactly that day.

The Birthday Book

Given basic types:

$[NAME, DATE]$

Use a **schema** to describe the state of the birthday book:

BirthdayBook

known : $\mathbb{P} NAME$

birthday : $NAME \rightarrow DATE$

known = dom *birthday*

- known* is the **set** of names with birthdays recorded.
- birthday* is a **function** when applied to certain names, gives the birthdays associated with them.
- invariant* is **relationship** which is true in every state of the system.

The Birthday Book

One possible state of the system has three people in the set *known*, with their birthdays recorded by the function *birthday*:

$$\begin{aligned} \textit{known} &= \{ \textit{Cindy}, \textit{Randy}, \textit{John} \} \\ \textit{birthday} &= \\ &\{ \textit{Cindy} \mapsto 7/5, \\ &\quad \textit{Randy} \mapsto 11/5, \\ &\quad \textit{John} \mapsto 6/2 \}. \end{aligned}$$

The **invariant is satisfied**, because *birthday* records a date for exactly the three names in *known*.

BirthdayBook _____

known : \mathbb{P} NAME

birthday : NAME \rightarrow DATE

known = dom *birthday*

BirthdayBook' _____

known' : \mathbb{P} NAME

birthday' : NAME \rightarrow DATE

known' = dom *birthday'*

The Birthday Book

Specify an operation to **add new birthday-name record**:

AddBirthday

Δ *BirthdayBook*

name? : *NAME*

date? : *DATE*

name? \notin *known*

birthday' = *birthday* \cup {*name?* \mapsto *date?*}

The Birthday Book

We can prove $known' = known \cup \{name?\}$ from the specification of *AddBirthday*, using the invariants on the state before and after the operation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 known' & \\
 &= \text{dom } birthday' && \text{[invariant after]} \\
 &= \text{dom}(birthday \cup \{name? \mapsto date?\}) \\
 & && \text{[spec. of } AddBirthday\text{]} \\
 &= \text{dom } birthday \cup \text{dom } \{name? \mapsto date?\} && \text{[fact about dom]} \\
 &= \text{dom } birthday \cup \{name?\} && \text{[fact about dom]} \\
 &= known \cup \{name?\}. && \text{[invariant before]}
 \end{aligned}$$

Note: Laws of Domain

$$\text{dom}\{Q \cup R\} = \text{dom}\{Q\} \cup \text{dom}\{R\}$$

$$\text{dom}\{x_1 \mapsto y_1, \dots, x_n \mapsto y_n\} = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$$

The Birthday Book

Find the birthday of a person:

FindBirthday _____

\exists *BirthdayBook*

name? : *NAME*

date! : *DATE*

name? \in *known*

date! = *birthday*(*name?*)

The Birthday Book

Give a date, return names of people whose birthday is exactly that day.

Remind

\exists *BirthdayBook*

today? : *DATE*

names! : \mathbb{P} *NAME*

$\text{names!} = \{n : \text{known} \mid \text{birthday}(n) = \text{today?}\}$

The Birthday Book

To finish the specification, we must say what state the system is in when it is first started. This is the **initial state of the system**, and it also is specified by a schema:

InitBirthdayBook _____

BirthdayBook

known = \emptyset

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Strengthening the Specification

- 🌐 A correct implementation of our specification will faithfully record birthdays and display them, so long as there are no mistakes in the input. But the specification has a **serious flaw**:
 - ☀️ add a birthday for someone already known to the system.
 - ☀️ find the birthday of someone not known.
- 🌐 The specification we have described **clearly and concisely** the behavior for correct input, and modifying it to describe the handling of **incorrect input** could only make it obscure.

Strengthening the Specification

-  **Better solution :**
 -  describe, separately from the first specification, the **errors** which might be **detected** and the desired **responses to them**.
 -  use *schema operators* (e.g., \wedge , \vee) to **combine the two descriptions into a stronger specification**.
-  Add an extra output **result!** to each operation on the system. When an operation is successful, this output will take the value *ok*, but it may take other values when an error is detected. The following **free type** definition defines **REPORT** to be a set containing exactly these three values:

$$REPORT ::= ok \mid already_known \mid not_known$$

Free Type

- Free type adds nothing to the power of Z, but it makes it easier to describe recursive structures such as lists and trees.
- A *free type* T is defined as follows:

$$T ::= c_1 \mid \dots \mid c_m \mid d_1 \langle\langle E_1 \rangle\rangle \mid \dots \mid d_n \langle\langle E_n \rangle\rangle$$

where disjoint $\langle\{c_1\}, \dots, \{c_m\}, \text{ran } d_1, \dots, \text{ran } d_n\rangle$,
 c_1, \dots, c_m are constant expressions,
 d_1, \dots, d_m are constructor functions, and
 E_1, \dots, E_m are expressions that may depend on set T .

Free Type Example

Example:

- The following *free type* definition, with seven distinct constants, is a structure of colors of the rainbow:

$$\text{Colors} ::= \text{red} \mid \text{orange} \mid \text{yellow} \mid \text{green} \mid \text{blue} \mid \text{indigo} \mid \text{violet}$$

- The following *free type* definition introduces a new type constructed using a single constant `zero` and a single constructor function `succ`:

$$\text{nat} ::= \text{zero} \mid \text{succ}\langle\langle \text{nat} \rangle\rangle$$

- This type has a structure which is exactly that of the **natural numbers** (zero corresponds to 0, and succ corresponds to the function +1).

Strengthening the Specification

We can define a schema *Success* which just specifies that the result should be *ok*:

<i>Success</i>
<i>result!</i> : <i>REPORT</i>
<i>result!</i> = <i>ok</i>

Then we can combine *AddBirthday* operation with *Success* by conjunction operator \wedge :

AddBirthday \wedge *Success*

This describes an operation for correct input.

Strengthening the Specification

Here is an operation which produces the report *already_known* when its input *name?* is already a member of *known*:

AlreadyKnown

\exists *BirthdayBook*

name? : *NAME*

result! : *REPORT*

name? \in *known*

result! = *already_known*

We can combine this description with the previous one to give a specification for a robust version of *AddBirthday*:

$RAddBirthday \hat{=} (AddBirthday \wedge Success) \vee AlreadyKnown.$

RAddBirthday

Δ *BirthdayBook*

name? : *NAME*

date? : *DATE*

result! : *REPORT*

$(name? \notin known \wedge$
 $birthday' = birthday \cup \{name? \mapsto date?\} \wedge$
 $result! = ok) \vee$

$(name? \in known \wedge$
 $birthday' = birthday \wedge$
 $result! = already_known)$

Strengthening the Specification

A robust version of the *FindBirthday* operation must be able to report if the input name is not known:

NotKnown

\exists *BirthdayBook*
name? : *NAME*
result! : *REPORT*

name? \notin *known*
result! = *not_known*

The robust operation either behaves as described by *FindBirthday* and reports success, or reports that the name was not known:

$RFindBirthday \hat{=} (FindBirthday \wedge Success) \vee NotKnown.$

Strengthening the Specification

The *Remind* operation never results in an error, so the robust version need only add the report of success.

$$RRemind \hat{=} Remind \wedge Success$$

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Implementing the Birthday Book

- When a program is developed from a specification, two sorts of design decision usually need to be taken:
 - The data described by mathematical data types in the specification must be implemented by data structures of the programming language
 - The operations described by predicates in the specification must be implemented by algorithms expressed in a programming language
- Refinement:
 - Data refinement* relates an *abstraction data type* (e.g., sets) to a *concrete data type* (e.g., arrays).
 - Operation refinement* converts a specification of an operation on a system into an implementable program (e.g., a procedure).

Implementing the Birthday Book

- We choose to represent the birthday book with two **arrays**, which might be declared by:

names: array [1..] of *NAME*

dates: array [1..] of *DATE*

- These arrays can be modeled mathematically by **functions** from the set \mathbb{N}_1 of **strictly positive integers** to *NAME* or *DATE*:

names : $\mathbb{N}_1 \rightarrow \text{NAME}$

dates : $\mathbb{N}_1 \rightarrow \text{DATE}$

Implementing the Birthday Book

The element $names[i]$ of the array is simply the value $names(i)$ of the function, and the assignment $names[i] := v$ is exactly described by the specification:

$$names' = names \oplus \{i \mapsto v\}$$

Implementing the Birthday Book

We describe the state space of the program as a schema. There is another variable *hwm* (for 'high water mark'); it shows how much of the arrays is in use.

BirthdayBook

known : $\mathbb{P} \text{ NAME}$

birthday : $\text{NAME} \rightarrow \text{DATE}$

known = dom *birthday*

BirthdayBook1

names : $\mathbb{N}_1 \rightarrow \text{NAME}$

dates : $\mathbb{N}_1 \rightarrow \text{DATE}$

hwm : \mathbb{N}

$\forall i, j : 1..hwm \bullet i \neq j \Rightarrow \text{names}(i) \neq \text{names}(j)$

Implementing the Birthday Book

We can document this with a schema *Abs* (abstraction schema) that defines the *abstraction relation* between the *abstract state space* *BirthdayBook* and the *concrete state space* *BirthdayBook1*:

Abs

BirthdayBook
BirthdayBook1

$known = \{i : 1..hwm \bullet names(i)\}$
 $\forall i : 1..hwm \bullet birthday(names(i)) = dates(i)$

Implementing the Birthday Book

To add a new name, we increase *hwm* by one, and fill in the name and date in the arrays:

AddBirthday1

Δ *BirthdayBook*

name? : *NAME*

date? : *DATE*

$\forall i : 1..hwm \bullet name? \neq names(i)$

$hwm' = hwm + 1$

$names' = names \oplus \{hwm' \mapsto name?\}$

$dates' = dates \oplus \{hwm' \mapsto date?\}$

Note: Relationships of *AddBirthday*

$name? \notin known$

$birthday' = birthday \cup \{name? \mapsto date?\}$

Correct Implementation

-  Suppose Aop is a schema describing a specification and Cop is a schema describing the action of a program. Abs relates abstract and concrete states.
-  A concrete schema is a **correct implementation** of abstract schema when
 -  $pre\ Aop \wedge Abs \Rightarrow pre\ Cop$
 (ensures that the concrete operation terminates whenever the abstract operation is guaranteed to terminate)
 -  $pre\ Aop \wedge Abs \wedge Cop \Rightarrow (\exists\ Astate' \bullet Abs' \wedge Aop)$
 (ensures that the state after the concrete operation represents one of those abstract states in which the abstract operation could terminate)
-  In this situation we shall write $Spec \sqsubseteq Ref$
 (The sign ' \sqsubseteq ' is the sign of refinement relation.)

Implementing the Birthday Book

-  To show that *AddBirthday1* is a **correct implementation** of *AddBirthday*, we have the following two proof obligations.
-  $pre\ AddBirthday \wedge Abs \Rightarrow pre\ AddBirthday1$
 -  $pre\ AddBirthday \wedge Abs \wedge AddBirthday1 \Rightarrow Abs' \wedge AddBirthday$

The First Statement

- The pre *AddBirthday* is $name? \notin known$.
The pre *AddBirthday1* is
 $\forall i : 1..hwm \bullet names? \neq names(i)$.
Abs tells us that $known = \{i : 1..hwm \bullet names(i)\}$.
- This given
 $name? \notin known \wedge known = \{i : 1..hwm \bullet names(i)\}$
 $\Rightarrow \forall i : 1..hwm \bullet names? \neq names(i)$
- So the first proof obligation
 $pre\ AddBirthday \wedge Abs \Rightarrow pre\ AddBirthday1$ is true.

The Second Statement

- Think about the concrete states before and after an execution of *AddBirthday*₁, and the abstract states they represent according to *Abs*.
- The two concrete states are related by *AddBirthday*₁, and we must show that the two abstract states are related as prescribed by *AddBirthday*:

Prove that $birthday' = birthday \cup \{name? \mapsto date?\}$

The Second Statement (Cont'd)

🌐 The domains of these two functions are the same, because

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{dom } \mathit{birthday}' & \\
 &= \mathit{known}' && \text{[invariant after]} \\
 &= \{i : 1..hwm' \bullet \mathit{names}'(i)\} && \text{[from } \mathit{Abs}'\text{]} \\
 &= \{i : 1..hwm \bullet \mathit{names}'(i)\} \cup \{\mathit{names}'(hwm')\} \\
 & && \text{[} hwm' = hwm + 1\text{]} \\
 &= \{i : 1..hwm \bullet \mathit{names}(i)\} \cup \{\mathit{names}?\} \\
 & && \text{[} \mathit{names}' = \mathit{names} \oplus \{hwm' \mapsto \mathit{names}?\}\text{]} \\
 &= \mathit{known} \cup \{\mathit{names}?\} && \text{[from } \mathit{Abs}\text{]} \\
 &= \text{dom } \mathit{birthday} \cup \{\mathit{names}?\} && \text{[invariant before]}
 \end{aligned}$$

Note: Laws of Domain

$$\text{dom}\{x_1 \mapsto y_1, \dots, x_1 \mapsto x_n\} = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$$

The Second Statement (Cont'd)

- There is no change in the part of arrays which was in use before the operation.

So for all i in the range $1..hwm$:

$$names'(i) = names(i) \wedge dates'(i) = dates(i)$$

- For any i in this range,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & birthday'(names'(i)) \\
 &= dates'(i) && \text{[from } Abs'] \\
 &= dates(i) && \text{[dates unchanged]} \\
 &= birthday(names(i)) && \text{[from } Abs]
 \end{aligned}$$

The Second Statement (Cont'd)

- For the new name, stored at index $hwm' = hwm + 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & birthday'(names?) \\
 &= birthday'(names'(hwm)names'(hwm')) = name? \\
 &= dates'(hwm') \quad \text{[from } Abs'] \\
 &= date? \quad \text{[spec. of } Addbirthday1]
 \end{aligned}$$

- The second proof obligation

pre

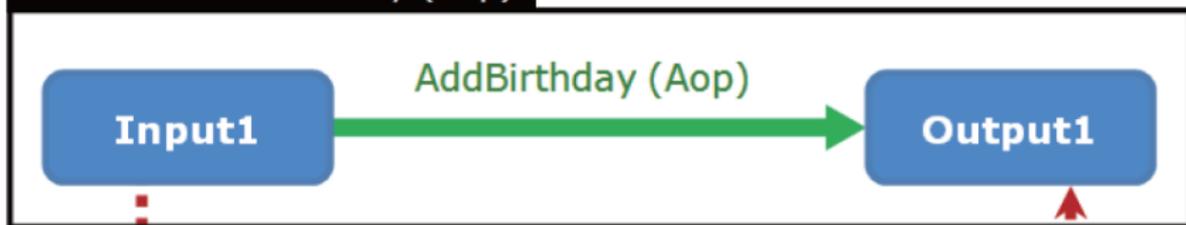
$AddBirthday \wedge Abs \wedge AddBirthday1 \Rightarrow Abs' \wedge AddBirthday$

is also true.

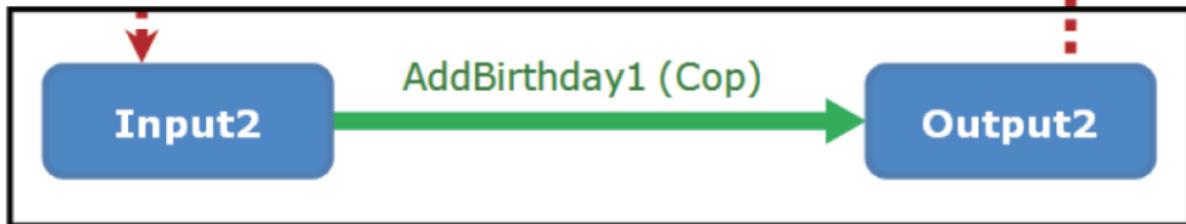
- It shows that both of the proof obligation is true, so we can conclude that $AddBirthday1$ is a correct implementation of $AddBirthday$.

Refinement of the Birthday Book

Abstract : AddBirthday (Aop)



$$\text{pre Aop} \wedge \text{Abs} \Rightarrow \text{pre Cop}$$

$$\text{pre Aop} \wedge \text{Abs} \wedge \text{Cop} \Rightarrow (\exists \text{Astate}' \bullet \text{Abs}' \wedge \text{Aop})$$


Concrete : AddBirthday1 (Cop)

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The second operation, *FindBirthday*, is implemented by the following operation, again described in terms of the concrete state:

$$\text{FindBirthday1}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \exists \text{BirthdayBook} \\ \text{name?} : \text{NAME} \\ \text{date!} : \text{DATE} \end{array}$$

$$\exists i : 1..hwm \bullet \text{name?} = \text{names}(i) \wedge \text{date!} = \text{dates}(i)$$

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$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{date!} = \text{dates}(i) & [\text{spec. of } \text{FindBirthday1}] \\ = \text{birthday}(\text{names}(i)) & [\text{from } \text{Abs}] \\ = \text{birthday}(\text{name?}) & [\text{spec. of } \text{FindBirthday1}] \end{array}$$

Note: Relationships of *FindBirthday*
 $\text{name?} \in \text{known}$
 $\text{date!} = \text{birthday}(\text{name?})$

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The operation *Remind* poses a new problem, because its **output cards is a set of names**. Here is a schema *AbsCards* that defines the abstraction relation:

AbsCards

$cards : \mathbb{P} NAME$

$cardlist : \mathbb{N}_1 \rightarrow NAME$

$ncards : \mathbb{N}$

$cards = \{i : 1..ncards \bullet cardlist(i)\}$

Implementing the Birthday Book

The concrete operation can now be described: it produces as outputs *cardlist* and *ncards*:

*Remind*1

\exists *BirthdayBook*1

today? : *DATE*

cardlist! : $\mathbb{N}_1 \rightarrow$ *NAME*

ncards! : \mathbb{N}

$\{i : 1..ncards! \bullet cardlist!(i)\}$

$= \{j : 1..hwm \mid dates(j) = today? \bullet names(j)\}$

Note: Relationships of *Remind*

names! = $\{n : known \mid birthday(n) = today?\}$

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The *initial state* of the program has $hwm = 0$:



known

$$= \{i : 1..hwm \bullet names(i)\} \quad \text{[from } Abs\text{]}$$

$$= \{i : 1..0 \bullet names(i)\} \quad \text{[from } InitBirthdayBook1\text{]}$$

$$= \emptyset \quad \text{[} 1..0 = \emptyset \text{]}$$

Note: Relationships of *InitBirthdayBook*
known = \emptyset

Thank you for listening