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# Scott Induction

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For the domain  $\Omega = \{ \dots, 0, 1, 2, \omega \}$ , the subset

- $\{2, 4, 6\}$  is chain-closed, not admissible
- $\{0, 2, 4, 6\}$  is (chain-closed &) admissible
- $\{0, 2, 4, 6, \dots\}$  is not chain-closed
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## Scott's Fixed Point Induction Principle

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Let  $f : D \rightarrow D$  be a continuous function on a domain  $D$ .

For any admissible subset  $S \subseteq D$ , to prove that the least fixed point of  $f$  is in  $S$ , i.e. that

$$\text{fix}(f) \in S ,$$

it suffices to prove

$$\forall d \in D (d \in S \Rightarrow f(d) \in S) .$$

## Tarski's Fixed Point Theorem

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Let  $f : D \rightarrow D$  be a continuous function on a domain  $D$ . Then

- $f$  possesses a least pre-fixed point, given by

$$\text{fix}(f) = \bigsqcup_{n \geq 0} f^n(\perp).$$

- Moreover,  $\text{fix}(f)$  is a fixed point of  $f$ , i.e. satisfies  $f(\text{fix}(f)) = \text{fix}(f)$ , and hence is the **least fixed point** of  $f$ .

where  $\begin{cases} f^0(\perp) \triangleq \perp \\ f^{n+1}(\perp) \triangleq f(f^n(\perp)) \end{cases}$

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Hence  $\bigcup_{n \geq 0} f^n(\perp) \in S$  since  $S$  is admissible

that is,

$\text{fix}(f) \in S$

Q.E.D.

## Example 4.2.1

Given  $\begin{cases} \text{domain } D \\ \text{continuous function } f : D \times D \times D \rightarrow D \end{cases}$

then  $\begin{cases} g : D \times D \rightarrow D \times D \\ g(d_1, d_2) = (f(d_1, d_1, d_2), f(d_1, d_2, d_2)) \end{cases}$  is continuous.

So by Tarski's FPT we get  $f \times (g) \in D \times D$ .

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**Proof :** by Scott Induction...

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- $(\perp, \perp) \in \Delta$
- $(d_0, d'_0) \subseteq (d_1, d'_1) \subseteq \dots \& \forall n. (d_n, d'_n) \in \Delta$  implies  
 $\sqcup_{n \geq 0} (d_n, d'_n) = (\sqcup_{n \geq 0} d_n, \sqcup_{n \geq 0} d'_n) = (\sqcup_{n \geq 0} d_n, \sqcup_{n \geq 0} d_n) \in \Delta$

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Given continuous functions

$$f : D \rightarrow E \quad g : D \rightarrow F$$

we get a continuous function

$$\langle f, g \rangle : D \rightarrow E \times F$$

given by

$$\boxed{\langle f, g \rangle = \lambda d \in D. (f(d), g(d))}$$

(Check :

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f, g \rangle (\bigcup_{n \geq 0} d_n) &= (f(\bigcup_{n \geq 0} d_n), g(\bigcup_{n \geq 0} d_n)) \\ &= (\bigcup_{n \geq 0} f(d_n), \bigcup_{n \geq 0} g(d_n)) \\ &= \bigcup_{n \geq 0} (f(d_n), g(d_n)) \\ &= \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \langle f, g \rangle (d_n) \end{aligned}$$

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so by (lfp2) for  $f$ , we have

$$\text{fix}(f) \sqsubseteq \text{fix}(g) \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

## Building chain-closed subsets (III)

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### Logical operations:

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- If a property  $P(x, y)$  determines a chain-closed subset of  $D \times E$ , then the property  $\forall x \in D. P(x, y)$  determines a chain-closed subset of  $E$ .

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If  $\bigcup_{n \geq 0} d_n \in S$ , we are done.

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So we can choose  $n_0 \leq n_1 \leq n_2 \leq \dots$  satisfying

$\forall m. m \leq n_m \wedge d_{n_m} \in T$ .

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N.B. in general  $\bigcup_{i \in I} S_i = \{d \mid \exists i, d \in S_i\} \neq D - S$   
need not be chain-closed.

for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}$

$S_i = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, i\}$  is chain-closed subset  
of the domain  $\Omega = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \bullet \\ \vdots \\ i \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{array} \right\}^\omega$

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$S = \{0, 2, 4, \dots\} \cup \{\omega\}$  is chain-closed subset

of the domain  $\Omega = \{ \dots, \omega_2, \omega_1, \omega_0 \}$

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$$D - S = \{1, 3, 5, \dots\}$$

is not a chain-closed subset

of the domain  $\Omega = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \dots \\ \bullet \\ 2 \\ \vdots \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right\}$

## Example (III): Partial correctness

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Let  $\mathcal{F} : \text{State} \rightarrow \text{State}$  be the denotation of

**while**  $X > 0$  **do**  $(Y := X * Y; X := X - 1)$  .

For all  $x, y \geq 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F}[X \mapsto x, Y \mapsto y] &\downarrow \\ \implies \mathcal{F}[X \mapsto x, Y \mapsto y] &= [X \mapsto 0, Y \mapsto !x \cdot y].\end{aligned}$$

Recall that

$$\mathcal{F} = \text{fix}(f)$$

where  $f : (\text{State} \rightarrow \text{State}) \rightarrow (\text{State} \rightarrow \text{State})$  is given by

$$f(w) = \lambda(x, y) \in \text{State}. \quad \begin{cases} (x, y) & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ w(x - 1, x \cdot y) & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$$

Proof by Scott induction.

We consider the admissible subset of  $(State \rightarrow State)$  given by

$$S = \left\{ w \mid \begin{array}{l} \forall x, y \geq 0. \\ w[X \mapsto x, Y \mapsto y] \downarrow \\ \Rightarrow w[X \mapsto x, Y \mapsto y] = [X \mapsto 0, Y \mapsto !x \cdot y] \end{array} \right\}$$

and show that

$$w \in S \implies f(w) \in S .$$

Suppose  $w \in S$ . Want to show  $f(w) \in S$ , i.e.

$$x, y \geq 0 \ \& \ f(w)(x, y) \downarrow \Rightarrow f(w)(x, y) = (0, !x \cdot y)$$

So suppose  $x, y \geq 0 \ \& \ f(w)(x, y) \downarrow$

Case  $x = 0$  :

$$f(w)(x, y) = (x, y) = (0, y) = (0, !0 \cdot y) = (0, !x \cdot y) \quad \checkmark$$

by def.  
of  $f$       Since  
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 $0! = 1$       Since  
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$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } w(x-1, x-y) &= (0, !(x-1) \cdot (x-y)) \text{ by def. of } S \\ &= (0, !x \cdot y) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } f(w)(x, y) = w(x-1, x-y) = (0, !x \cdot y) \quad \checkmark$$

↑ def. of  $f$