

# 構成的アルゴリズム論 Left Reductions

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# A Problem

## Min-Max Problem

Given is a list of lists of numbers. Required is an efficient algorithm for computing the minimum of the maximum numbers in each list. More succinctly, we want to compute

$$\mathit{minimax} = \downarrow / \cdot \uparrow / *$$

as efficiently as possible.

# Outline

- 1 Well-defineness of General Equations
- 2 Definition of Left Reduction
- 3 Implementation of Left Reduction
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## General Equations

So far we have mainly seen examples of homomorphisms. It is instructive to determine the conditions under which a general set of equations

$$\begin{aligned}h [] &= e \\h [a] &= f a \\h (x ++ y) &= H(x, y, h x, h y)\end{aligned}$$

determines a unique function  $h$ , not necessarily a homomorphism.

## Another Representation of $h$

Consider the equations

$$h' [] = ([], e)$$

$$h' [a] = ([a], f a)$$

$$h' (x ++ y) = h' x \oplus h' y$$

$$\text{where } (x, u) \oplus (y, v) = (x ++ y, H(x, y, u, v))$$

If  $h'$  is a well-defined function (a well-defined homomorphism), then so is  $h$ , because we have

$$h = \pi_2 \cdot h'$$

What is the condition for  $h'$  to be well-defined homomorphism?

## Well-Defineness of Homomorphic Equations

Fact:  $h'$  defined by equations

$$h' [] = ([], e)$$

$$h' [a] = ([a], f a)$$

$$h' (x ++ y) = h' x \oplus h' y$$

$$\text{where } (x, u) \oplus (y, v) = (x ++ y, H(x, y, u, v))$$

is well-defined if  $(R, \oplus, ([], e))$  forms a monoid:

- 1  $([], e)$  is the unit of  $\oplus$ ;
- 2  $\oplus$  is associative.

## Monoid Condition

Translating the monoid condition into conditions on  $e$  and  $H$  gives the following three conditions.

- 1  $H(x, [], u, e) = u$
- 2  $H([], y, e, v) = v$
- 3  $H(x ++ y, z, H(x, y, u, v), w) = H(x, y ++ z, u, H(y, z, v, w))$

## An Example

### Longest All-Even Initial Segment Problem

$$laei [2, 4, 8, 6, 5, 2, 4] = [2, 3, 8, 6]$$

$$laei [] = []$$

$$laei [a] = \text{if even } a \text{ then } [a] \text{ else } []$$

$$laei (x ++ y) = \text{if } laei\ x = x \text{ then } laei\ x ++ laei\ y \text{ else } laei\ x$$

In this example,

$$e = []$$

$$H(x, y, u, v) = \text{if } u = x \text{ then } u ++ v \text{ else } u$$

**Exercise:** Prove that  $\forall x. \#(laei\ x) \leq \#x$ .

**Exercise:** Prove that *laei* is well-defined.

[Hint: Use the fact that  $\#u \leq \#x$  and  $\#v \leq \#y$ .]



## Lemma. $laei$ is not a homomorphism

Proof. Suppose

$$laei(x ++ y) = laei x \oplus laei y$$

for some operator  $\oplus$ . Since  $laei [2, 1] = [2]$ ,  $laei [4] = [4]$  and  $laei [2] = [2]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} laei [2, 1, 4] &= laei [2, 1] \oplus laei [4] \\ &= [2] \oplus [4] \\ &= laei [2] \oplus laei [4] \\ &= laei [2, 4] \end{aligned}$$

This is a contradiction, since  $laei [2, 1, 4] = [2]$  and  $laei [2, 4] = [2, 4]$ .

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## Left Reduction

$$\oplus \not\rightarrow_e [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n] = (((e \oplus x_1) \oplus x_2) \oplus \dots) \oplus x_n$$

In the monoid view of lists, the formal definition of  $\oplus \not\rightarrow_e$  is as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}\oplus \not\rightarrow_e [] &= e \\ \oplus \not\rightarrow_e [a] &= e \oplus a \\ \oplus \not\rightarrow_e (x ++ y) &= \oplus \not\rightarrow_{e'} y \text{ where } e' = \oplus \not\rightarrow_e x\end{aligned}$$

## $\oplus \dashrightarrow_e$ : A Well-Defined Function

There is an instructive alternative way of seeing that  $\oplus \dashrightarrow_e$  is well-defined. Define  $h$  by

$$\begin{aligned}h [] &= id \\h [a] &= (\oplus a) \\h (x ++ y) &= h y \cdot h x\end{aligned}$$

Obviously,  $h$  is a homomorphism from  $([a], ++, [])$  to  $(\beta \rightarrow \beta, \cdot, id_\beta)$ . Now we have

$$\oplus \dashrightarrow_e x = h x e$$

and so  $\oplus \dashrightarrow_e$  is well-defined.

## Left Reduction is Important

Every set of equations of the following form

$$\begin{aligned} f [] &= e \\ f (x ++ [a]) &= F(a, x, f x) \end{aligned}$$

can be defined in terms of a left reduction:

$$f = \pi_2 \cdot \oplus \dashv e'$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} e' &= ([], e) \\ (x, u) \oplus a &= (x ++ [a], F(a, x, u)) \end{aligned}$$

## Specialization Lemma

Every homomorphism on lists can be expressed as a left (or also a right) reduction. More precisely,

$$\oplus / \cdot f * = \odot \dashv_e$$

where

$$e = id_{\oplus}$$

$$a \odot b = a \oplus f b$$

**Exercise:** Prove the specialization lemma.

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## Left Reductions and Loops

A left reduction  $\oplus \not\rightarrow_e x$  can be translated into the following program in a conventional *imperative* language.

```
| [ var r;  
  r := e;  
  for b in x  
    do r := r oplus b;  
  return r  
]|
```



## Left Zeros

Left reductions require that the argument list be traversed in its entirety. Such a traversal can be cut short if we recognize the possibility that an operator may have *left-zeros*.

### Definition: Left Zero

$\omega$  is a left-zero of  $\oplus$  if for all  $a$  the following holds.

$$\omega \oplus a = \omega$$

**Exercise:** Prove that if  $\omega$  is a left-zero of  $\oplus$  then

$$\oplus \nearrow_{\omega} x = \omega$$

for all  $x$ . (by induction on snoc list  $x$ .)

## Implementation of Left Reduction with Left-zero Check

From the fact that  $\oplus \not\rightarrow_e (x ++ y) = \oplus \not\rightarrow_{(\oplus \not\rightarrow_e x)} y$ , we have the following program for left-reduction.

```
| [ var r;  
  r := e;  
  for b in x while not left-zero(r)  
    do r := r oplus b;  
  return r  
]|
```

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# Minimax

Let us return to the problem of computing

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efficiently. Using the specialization lemma, we can write

$$\mathit{minimax} = \odot \nearrow_{\infty}$$

where  $\infty$  is the identity element of  $\downarrow /$ , and

$$a \odot x = a \downarrow (\uparrow / x).$$

**Exercise:** Prove that  $-\infty$  is the left-zero of  $\odot$ .

Since  $\downarrow$  distributes through  $\uparrow$  we have

$$a \odot x = a \downarrow (\uparrow / x) = \uparrow / (a \downarrow) * x$$

Using the specialization lemma a second time, we have

$$a \odot x = \oplus_a \nearrow_{-\infty} x$$

where  $b \oplus_a c = b \uparrow (a \downarrow c)$

**Exercise:** Prove that  $a$  is the left-zero of  $\oplus_a$ .

## An Efficient Implementation of $\text{minimax } xs$

```
|[ var a; a := infinity;  
  for x in xs while a <> -infinity  
    do a := a odot x;  
  return a  
]|
```

where the assignment  $a := a \text{ odot } x$  can be implemented by the loop:

```
|[ var b; b := -infinity;  
  for c in x while c <> a  
    do b := b max (a min c);  
  a := b  
]|
```

## About the Final Examination

- 時間：2月4日 8:30-10:00
- 場所：6号館 63号室
- 教科書、講義資料など持ち込み可
- 成績：全体の70%

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