

Electronic Appendix to Advances in Property-Based Testing for α Prolog

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Abstract. We list here some formal definitions and further experiments omitted from the paper for reasons of space

1 Some formal definitions

The effect of a permutation π on a name:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{id}(a) &= a \\ ((a \ b) \circ \pi)(c) &= \begin{cases} b & \pi(c) = a \\ a & \pi(c) = b \\ \pi(c) & \pi(c) \notin \{a, b\} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

The swapping operation *ground* terms:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi \cdot \langle \rangle &= \langle \rangle & \pi \cdot f(t) &= f(\pi \cdot t) \\ \pi \cdot \langle t, u \rangle &= \langle \pi \cdot t, \pi \cdot u \rangle & \pi \cdot a &= \pi(a) \\ \pi \cdot \langle a \rangle t &= \langle \pi \cdot a \rangle \pi \cdot t \end{aligned}$$

Constraint satisfaction:

$$\begin{aligned} \theta &\models \top \\ \theta &\models t \approx u \iff \theta(t) \approx \theta(u) \\ \theta &\models t \# u \iff \theta(t) \# \theta(u) \\ \theta &\models C \wedge C' \iff \theta \models C \text{ and } \theta \models C' \\ \theta &\models \exists X:\tau. C \iff \text{for some } t:\tau, \theta[X := t]^3 \models C \\ \theta &\models \forall a:\nu. C \iff \text{for some } b \# (\theta, C), \theta \models C[b/a] \end{aligned}$$

A context Γ is a sequence of bindings between variables (or names) and types.

$$\Gamma ::= \cdot \mid \Gamma, X:\tau \mid \Gamma \# a:\nu$$

where we write name-bindings as $\Gamma \# a:\nu$, to remind us that a must be fresh for other names and variables in Γ .

Term complementation:

$$\begin{aligned}
not[\tau] &: \tau \rightarrow \tau \text{ set} \\
not[\tau](t) &= \emptyset \quad \text{when } \tau \in \{\mathbf{1}, \nu, \langle \nu \rangle \tau\} \text{ or } t \text{ is a variable} \\
not[\tau_1 \times \tau_2](t_1, t_2) &= \{(s_1, -) \mid s_1 \in not[\tau_1](t_1)\} \cup \{(-, s_2) \mid s_2 \in not[\tau_2](t_2)\} \\
not[\delta](f(t)) &= \{g(-) \mid g \in \Sigma, g : \sigma \rightarrow \delta, f \neq g\} \cup \{f(s) \mid s \in not[\tau](t)\}
\end{aligned}$$

The correctness of the algorithm for term complementation can be stated in the following constraint-conscious way, as required by the proof of the main soundness theorem:

Lemma 1 (Term Exclusivity).

Let \mathcal{K} be consistent, $s \in not[\tau](t)$, $FV(u) \subseteq \Gamma$ and $FV(s, t) \subseteq \mathbf{X}$. It is not the case that both $\Gamma; \mathcal{K} \models \exists \mathbf{X} : \tau. u \approx t$ and $\Gamma; \mathcal{K} \models \exists \mathbf{X} : \tau. u \approx s$.

Inequality and non-freshness:

$$\begin{aligned}
neq[\tau] &: \tau \times \tau \rightarrow o \\
neq[\mathbf{1}](t, u) &= \perp \\
neq[\tau_1 \times \tau_2](t, u) &= neq[\tau_1](\pi_1(t), \pi_1(u)) \vee neq[\tau_2](\pi_2(t), \pi_2(u)) \\
neq[\delta](t, u) &= neq_\delta(t, u) \\
neq[\langle \nu \rangle \tau](t, u) &= \mathbb{I}a : \nu. neq[\tau](t @ a, u @ a) \\
neq[\nu](t, u) &= t \# u \\
neq_\delta(t, u) &:- \bigvee \{ \exists X, Y : \tau. t \approx f(X) \wedge u \approx f(Y) \wedge neq[\tau](X, Y) \\
&\quad \mid f : \tau \rightarrow \delta \in \Sigma \} \\
&\quad \vee \bigvee \{ \exists X : \tau, Y : \tau'. t \approx f(X) \wedge u \approx g(Y) \\
&\quad \mid f : \tau \rightarrow \delta, g : \tau' \rightarrow \delta \in \Sigma, f \neq g \}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
nfr[\nu, \tau] &: \nu \times \tau \rightarrow o \\
nfr[\nu, \mathbf{1}](a, t) &= \perp \\
nfr[\nu, \tau_1 \times \tau_2](a, t) &= nfr[\nu, \tau_1](a, \pi_1(t)) \vee nfr[\nu, \tau_2](a, \pi_2(t)) \\
nfr[\nu, \delta](a, t) &= nfr_{\nu, \delta}(a, t) \\
nfr[\nu, \langle \nu' \rangle \tau](a, t) &= \mathbb{I}b : \nu'. nfr[\tau](a, t @ b) \\
nfr[\nu, \nu](a, b) &= a \approx b \\
nfr[\nu, \nu'](a, b) &= \perp \quad (\nu \neq \nu') \\
nfr_{\nu, \delta}(a, t) &:- \bigvee \{ \exists X : \tau. t \approx f(X) \wedge nfr[\nu, \tau](a, X) \mid f : \tau \rightarrow \delta \in \Sigma \}
\end{aligned}$$

2 Other experiments

Random testing has been present in Isabelle/HOL's since [1] and has been recently enriched with a notion of *smart* test generators to improve its success

rate w.r.t. conditional properties. Exhaustive and symbolic testing follow the SmallCheck approach [3]. Notwithstanding all these improvements, QuickCheck requires all code and specs to be *executable* in the underlying functional language, while many of the specifications that we are interested in are best seen as *partial* and *not terminating*.

While not terribly exciting, these benchmarks, proposed and measured in [2] and taken from Isabelle *List.thy* theory are useful to set up a rough comparison with Isabelle’s QuickCheck. We show the checks in our logic programming formulation, leaving to the reader the obvious meaning, noting only that we use numerals as datatype.

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D1: distinct([X|XS]) => distinct(XS).
D2: distinct(XS),remove1(X,XS,YS) => distinct(YS).
D3: distinct(XS),distinct(YS),zip(XS,YS,ZS) => distinct(ZS).
S1: sorted(XS),remove_dupls(XS,YS) => sorted(YS).
S2: sorted(XS),insert(X,XS,YS) => sorted(YS).
S3: sorted(XS),length(XS,N),less_equal(I,J),less(J,N),
    nth(I,XS,X),nth(J,XS,Y) => less_equal(X,Y).
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Table 2 shows the TESS run time up to a given size (25), that in our case we interpret as depth-bound. We extrapolated from Table 2 in [2] the *S* (for *smart generator*) rows. We omit the results for *exhaustive* and *narrowing-based* testing; the point of their inclusion was to show how smart generation outperforms the latter two over checks with hard-to-satisfy premises. Again, these measurements are only suggestive, since QuickCheck’s result are taken with another hardware (empty cells denote timeout after 1h as in [2]’s setup). Still, we are largely superior, possibly due to smart generation trying to replicate in a functional setting what logic programming naturally offers. Note however that tests in Isabelle/QuickCheck are efficiently run by code generation at the ML level, while our bounded solver is just a non-optimized logic programming interpreter – to name one, it does not have yet first-argument indexing.

As usual in TESS, negation elimination tends to outperform *NF*, especially when, as here, it does not require extensional quantification. *NEs* only marginally improves on *NE*, because the negated predicates (*distinct*,*sorted* etc.) are already quite simple.

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	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
D1 S	0	0	0	0.2	0.7	3.8	22	135	862								
<i>NF</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.07	0.12	0.2	0.32	0.52	0.83	1.36	2.22
<i>NE</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.06	0.11	0.18	0.3	0.49	1.8	1.3	2.1
<i>NEs</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.06	0.11	0.18	0.3	0.4	0.6	1.0	1.7
D2 S	0	0	0.1	0.4	2.5	16	98	671									
<i>NF</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.07	0.19	0.32	0.51	0.83	1.36	2.23
<i>NE</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.6	0.11	0.18	0.3	0.49	0.8	1.32	2.17
<i>NEs</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.6	0.11	0.18	0.2	0.39	0.6	1.1	1.7
D3 S	4.3	157															
<i>NF</i>	0	0	0	0.08	0.14	0.35	0.76	1	3	6	12	24	45	82	155	286	580
<i>NE</i>	0	0	0	0.08	0.13	0.32	0.68	1.3	3	6	11	22	42	79	150	280	586
<i>NEs</i>	0	0	0	0.08	0.13	0.22	0.5	0.9	2.1	4.5	8	17	3	63	121	225	448
S1 S	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.10	0.2	0.3	0.8	1.7	3.6	7.8	17	36
<i>NF</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.6	0.08	0.11	0.15	0.21	0.27	0.35
<i>NE</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.06	0.08	0.11	0.15	0.2	0.27	0.36
<i>NEs</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.04	0.06	0.08	0.11	0.16	0.2
S2 S	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.5	1.1	2.5	5.5	12	28	61	135	292
<i>NF</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.05	0.07	0.1	0.13	0.18	0.23
<i>NE</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.06	0.08	0.11	0.15	0.19	0.25	0.33	0.44
<i>NEs</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.02	0.04	0.04	0.06	0.08	0.11	0.16	0.2
S3 S	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.9	2.2	5.1	12	26	59	136	311	708
<i>NF</i>	0	0	0.05	0.08	0.13	0.2	0.32	0.48	0.73	1	1.5	2.2	3.2	4.5	6.4	8.9	12
<i>NE</i>	0	0	0	0.05	0.08	0.12	0.18	0.27	0.4	0.57	0.83	1.1	1.6	2.2	3.2	4.3	5.7
<i>NEs</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.04	0.09	0.1	0.28	0.4	0.5	0.8	1.1	1.5	2.1	2.9

Table 1. TESS for list benchmark.