

# Compound Monads in Specification Languages

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# Introduction

Several sorts of refinement suggested by Dunne.

- General Correctness
- Total Correctness
- Chorus Angelorum

Each is based, implicitly or explicitly, on a notion of what a computation is, an underlying “model of computation”

Each underlying “model of computation” is based on a **monad**

Each of these monads is, or is somewhat like, a **compound monad**

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# The General Correctness Operational Model

Want to distinguish computations which (on a given initial state)

- fail to terminate
- terminate in final state  $s$
- non-deterministically, either of the above

Neither *wlp* / partial correctness  
nor *wp* / total correctness does this.

General correctness refinement (Dunne):

$$A \sqsubseteq B \equiv wp(A, Q) \Rightarrow wp(B, Q) \wedge wlp(A, Q) \Rightarrow wlp(B, Q)$$

# The General Correctness Operational Model

## Type of Computations

A computation (on given state) produces a set of **outcomes**.

An **outcome** is either

- `NonTerm`, indicating non-termination, or
- `Term s`, indicating termination in the state `s`.

In Isabelle: `datatype  $\sigma$  TorN = NonTerm | Term  $\sigma$`

For a non-deterministic computation (from given initial state), result is a **set** of outcomes.

`type outcome = TorN state`

type of computations is `state  $\rightarrow$  set TorN state`

# The Total Correctness Operational Model

Related to semantics of the B-method,  
only interested in total correctness (weakest preconditions).

A computation which **may** fail to terminate fails every  
post-condition.

Such computation is refinement-equivalent to a computation which  
**does** fail to terminate.

Type of results is either

- NonTerm, indicating **possible** non-termination, or
- Term  $S$ , indicating termination in a state  $s \in S$ .

type of result  $tcres$  (“total correctness result”) = TorN *set state*

type of computations is  $state \rightarrow \text{TorN set state}$

weakest precondition function (hence refinement):

$$[C] Q s = \exists S. (\forall x \in S. Q x) \wedge C s = \text{Term } S$$



# The Chorus Angelorum Operational Model

Ordinarily, non-determinism is **demonic** choice  
(all possible results must satisfy post-condition  $\equiv$   
the result chosen by a **demon** satisfies post-condition)

Want to model **angelic** and **demonic** non-determinism

Computation returns a **set of sets**  $\mathcal{A}$  of states:

- angel chooses set  $A \in \mathcal{A}$
- demon chooses state  $a \in A$

weakest precondition function (hence refinement):

$$[C] Q s = \exists U \in C s. (\forall u \in U. Q u)$$

If  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $A' \supseteq A$ , to include  $A'$  in  $\mathcal{A}$ , or not, makes no difference:  
consider only  $\mathcal{A}$  **up-closed**: if  $A' \supseteq A$  and  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  then  $A' \in \mathcal{A}$ .

# Confirming the Models

In each case, to confirm model is appropriate,

- we show two computations refinement-equivalent iff they are the same function (of type used in model)
- we **define** operations operationally, and **prove** these definitions correspond to Dunne's definitions (which use weakest preconditions)

(Caveat: we ignore “frames”).

Note: all proofs in the theorem prover Isabelle/HOL

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# Monads

Long known in category theory.

Define unit and extension functions, satisfying rules

$$\mathit{unit} : \alpha \rightarrow M\alpha$$

$$\mathit{ext} : (\alpha \rightarrow M\beta) \rightarrow (M\alpha \rightarrow M\beta)$$

$$\mathit{ext} f \circ \mathit{unit} = f$$

$$\mathit{ext} \mathit{unit} = \mathit{id}$$

$$\mathit{ext} (\mathit{ext} g \circ f) = \mathit{ext} g \circ \mathit{ext} f$$

or functions *unit*, *map* and *join* (7 axioms for these)

Can represent the structure of a computation (Moggi)

# Monads — the Kleisli category

$ext\ B$  models the action of  $B$  on result of previous computation

Define  $B \odot A = ext\ B \circ A$  : sequencing computations  $B$  and  $A$ .

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Properties (1) to (3) show that we have a category:

- objects are types
- arrow from  $\alpha$  to  $\beta$  is function  $\alpha \rightarrow M\beta$ ,
- the identity arrow for object  $\alpha$  is the function  $unit : \alpha \rightarrow M\alpha$
- composition is given by  $\odot$ .

Called the Kleisli category of  $M$ ,  $\mathcal{K}(M)$ .

# Monads — Examples

The **non-termination** monad: a computation either terminates in a new state, or fails to terminate.

$$\mathit{unit\_nt} \ s = \mathit{Term} \ s$$

$$\mathit{map\_nt} \ f \ \mathit{NonTerm} = \mathit{NonTerm} \quad \mathit{map\_nt} \ f \ (\mathit{Term} \ s) = \mathit{Term} \ (f \ s)$$

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The **set** monad: models non-deterministic (but necessarily terminating) computations.

$$unit\_s\ s = \{s\}$$

$$map\_s\ f\ S = \{f\ s \mid s \in S\}$$

$$join\_s\ \mathcal{A} = \bigcup \mathcal{A}$$

$$ext\_s\ f\ S = \bigcup_{s \in S} f\ s$$



# Compound Monads

Let  $M$  and  $N$ , each with unit and extension functions, be monads.

Then is  $MN\alpha$  a monad? Need  $unit_{MN} : \alpha \rightarrow MN\alpha$  and  $ext_{MN}$

$ext_{MN}$  “extends” a function  $f$  from domain  $\alpha$  to  $MN\alpha$ .

$pext$ , “partial extension”, does part of this

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Definitions using  $pext$  for a compound monad

$$ext_{MN} g = ext_M (pext g)$$

$$unit_{MN} = unit_M \circ unit_N$$

# Compound Monads — rules for $pext$

$pext$  also must satisfy three rules

$$pext\ f \circ\ unit_N = f$$

$$pext\ unit_{MN} = unit_M$$

$$pext\ (ext_{MN}\ g \circ\ f) = ext_{MN}\ g \circ\ pext\ f$$

$unit_{MN}$  and  $pext$  are the unit and extension functions of a monad in the category  $\mathcal{K}(M)$ , whose Kleisli category is also  $\mathcal{K}(MN)$ .

# Compound Monads — Distributive Law

Jones & Duponcheel: two conditions, J(1) and J(2), which compound monads may satisfy.

Assuming  $unit_{MN} = unit_M \circ unit_N$  and  $map_{MN} = map_M \circ map_N$ , compound monads arise from a function  $pext$  iff J(1) holds

Compound monads satisfying J(1) and J(2) are those arising from a **distributive law**  $swap : NM\alpha \rightarrow MN\alpha$

A distributive law satisfies S(1) to S(4) of Jones & Duponcheel

$$swap = pext (map_M unit_N)$$

# The General Correctness Compound Monad

Want  $\text{set TorN } \alpha$  is a monad;

in fact, for any monad  $M$ ,  $M \text{ TorN } \alpha$  is a monad

$$\text{pext} : (\alpha \rightarrow M \text{ TorN } \beta) \rightarrow (\text{TorN } \alpha \rightarrow M \text{ TorN } \beta)$$

$$\text{pext } f (\text{Term } a) = f a$$

$$\text{pext } f \text{ NonTerm} = \text{unit}_M \text{ NonTerm}$$

Proof of  $\text{pext}$  axioms easy.

Arises from a distributive law:  $\text{swap} = \text{pext} (\text{map}_M \text{unit}_N)$ , so

$$\text{swap\_gc} : \text{TorN set } \alpha \rightarrow \text{set TorN } \alpha$$

$$\text{swap\_gc NonTerm} = \{\text{NonTerm}\}$$

$$\text{swap\_gc} (\text{Term } S) = \{\text{Term } s \mid s \in S\}$$

# The Total Correctness Compound Monad

Recall  $tcres = \text{TorN set state}$ .

$$pext\_tc : (state \rightarrow tcres) \rightarrow set\ state \rightarrow tcres$$

defined using

$$prod\_tc : set\ tcres \rightarrow tcres$$

$$prod\_tc\ S = \text{NonTerm} \quad \text{if } \text{NonTerm} \in S$$

$$prod\_tc\ \{\text{Term } s \mid s \in S\} = \text{Term } (\bigcup S)$$

# The Total Correctness Compound Monad

## A Distributive Law and Monad Morphism

Total Correctness monad also arises from a distributive law:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{swap\_tc} : \text{set TorN } \sigma \rightarrow \text{TorN set } \sigma \\
 & \text{swap\_tc } S = \text{NonTerm} \quad \text{if } \text{NonTerm} \in S \\
 & \text{swap\_tc } \{\text{Term } s \mid s \in S\} = \text{Term } S
 \end{aligned}$$

# Relating the General and Total Correctness monads

$swap\_tc : set \text{ TorN } \sigma \rightarrow \text{ TorN } set \sigma$  is also a **monad morphism** from the general correctness monad to the total correctness monad.

$$\begin{aligned} unit\_tc a &= swap\_tc (unit\_gc a) \\ ext\_tc (swap\_tc \circ f) (swap\_tc x) &= swap\_tc (ext\_gc f x) \end{aligned}$$

Since it is *surjective*, could use monad axioms for general correctness monad to prove axioms for total correctness monad.



# The Chorus Angelorum Monad

up-closure, swapping angel and demon

Result  $\mathcal{A}$  : *set set state* (up-closed):

angel chooses  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , demon chooses  $a \in A$ .

Alternative model: demon chooses first, then angel.

*swap\_uc* turns angel-chooses-first result into demon-chooses-first.

*up\_cl*: the *up-closure* of a set of sets.

$$\text{swap\_uc } \mathcal{A} = \{B \mid \forall A \in \mathcal{A}. B \cap A \neq \{\}\}$$

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So work on equivalence classes of sets of sets of states

$\mathcal{A} \equiv \mathcal{A}'$  iff  $\text{up\_cl } \mathcal{A} = \text{up\_cl } \mathcal{A}'$

each equivalence class has exactly one up-closed member.

# The Chorus Angelorum Monad

## proofs of monad rules

- try to prove S(1) to S(4) (to show distributive law):  
cannot, but we can prove them modulo up-closure, eg

$$\begin{aligned} \text{swap\_uc } A &= \text{up\_cl } (\text{map\_s unit\_s } A) && \text{S(2)'} \\ \text{swap\_uc } (\text{map\_s unit\_s } A) &= \text{up\_cl } A && \text{S(3)'} \end{aligned}$$

- proofs of the monad axioms for *set set*  $\alpha$   
(again, some equalities only modulo up-closure)  
difficult, but imitated usual proofs from S(1) to S(4)
- defined type *ucss*  $\alpha$  : *up-closed* sets of sets  
(ie, a representative of each equivalence class)
- defined the monad functions for the *ucss*  $\alpha$  type
- translated results about *set set*  $\alpha$  to *ucss*  $\alpha$ : it is a monad!

# The Chorus Angelorum Monad

[Link to Continuation Monad](#)

First, recall functions used by Jones & Duponcheel

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{join} : M\ N\ M\ N\ \alpha \rightarrow M\ N\ \alpha & \text{prod} : N\ M\ N\ \alpha \rightarrow M\ N\ \alpha \\ \text{dorp} : M\ N\ M\ \alpha \rightarrow M\ N\ \alpha & \text{swap} : N\ M\ \alpha \rightarrow M\ N\ \alpha \end{array}$$

Think of  $M\ (N)$  as a set from which angel (demon) chooses.

“evaluation function”  $\text{eval\_uc} : \text{set}\ \text{set}\ \alpha \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow \text{bool}) \rightarrow \text{bool}$ ,  
 $\text{eval\_uc}\ \mathcal{A}\ P$  tells whether the post-condition  $P$  is satisfied when  
 angel and demon have made their choices from  $\mathcal{A}$ .

$$\text{eval\_uc}\ \mathcal{B}\ P \equiv \exists B \in \mathcal{B}. \forall b \in B. P\ b.$$

$(\alpha \rightarrow \text{bool}) \rightarrow \text{bool}$  is type of **continuation** monad  $K\ \alpha$

$\text{Ball}$  and  $\text{Bex}$ :  $\text{set}\ \alpha \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow \text{bool}) \rightarrow \text{bool}$ , ie :  $\text{set}\ \alpha \rightarrow K\ \alpha$   
 express quantification over a given set:  $\text{Ball}\ S\ P \equiv \forall s \in S. P\ s$

# The Chorus Angelorum Monad

[Link to Continuation Monad – ctd](#)

$$\text{eval\_uc} = \text{Ball} \odot_K \text{Bex}$$

$$\text{eval\_uc} \circ \text{swap\_uc} = \text{Bex} \odot_K \text{Ball}$$

Using obvious isomorphism  $K \alpha \rightarrow \text{set set } \alpha$ , called  $K\_to\_SS$ :

$$\text{join\_uc} = K\_to\_SS \circ (\text{Ball} \odot_K \text{Bex} \odot_K \text{Ball} \odot_K \text{Bex})$$

$$\text{dorp\_uc} = K\_to\_SS \circ (\text{Bex} \odot_K \text{Ball} \odot_K \text{Bex})$$

$$\text{prod\_uc} = K\_to\_SS \circ (\text{Ball} \odot_K \text{Bex} \odot_K \text{Ball})$$

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$$\text{ext\_uc } f = K\_to\_SS \circ (\text{Ball} \odot_K (\text{Bex} \circ f) \odot_K \text{Ball} \odot_K \text{Bex})$$

$$\text{pext\_uc } f = K\_to\_SS \circ (\text{Ball} \odot_K (\text{Bex} \circ f) \odot_K \text{Ball})$$

# Angelic and Demonic Choice

We defined these as follows (simplified by

- omitting conversion between the *set*  $\alpha$  and *ucss*  $\alpha$  types
- assuming up-closed families of sets)

$$\text{dem } \mathcal{B} \ s = \bigcap \{B \ s \mid B \in \mathcal{B}\}$$

$$\text{ang } \mathcal{B} \ s = \bigcup \{B \ s \mid B \in \mathcal{B}\}$$

giving these results (which would normally be the definitions)

$$[\text{dem } \mathcal{B}] \ Q \ s = \forall B \in \mathcal{B}. [B] \ Q \ s$$

$$[\text{ang } \mathcal{B}] \ Q \ s = \exists B \in \mathcal{B}. [B] \ Q \ s$$