

Mondex: Z work

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3 areas of Z work (at least)

- original specification and development: Stepney, Cooper, Woodcock as PRG-126 in 2000
- King: automated proof using ProofPower-Z (July-August 2004)
- Woodcock: re-specification and proof in Z/Eves (summer 2000)

Additionally, some *retrenchment* work has been done in Z (Banach, Stepney et al, 2004-5)

Here, we discuss mainly the ProofPowerZ work.

Outline

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Background & Motivation

- Z spec and designs published, in sanitised form, as PRG mon
- ‘We choose to do rigorous proofs by hand: our experience is t
tools are not yet appropriate for a task of this size’ [PRG-126]

Goals (pre-GC6)

Long-term: To mechanise, in ProofPower-Z, the proofs in the pul
specification and design, *making as few changes as possible*
already been published.

Short-term: (over 2-month study leave at QinetiQ Malvern): to le
possible about ProofPower-Z, and to start on the long-term go

Background & Motivation (cont)

Personal motivations:

- antidote to increased admin load at York
- long-term unfulfilled interest in automated theorem proving

Wider motivation:

- *possible* case study for GC6

Progress

By the end of August 2004:

- I had a reasonable understanding of the basic use of ProofPower (package, use of tactics, etc) for proving Z conjectures. But more expertise would be required ...
- I had proved that the 3 abstract operations (*TransferOK*, *Transfer*) maintained the security properties (*NoValueCreation*, *AllValuesKnown*)
 - 2.5 pages in PRG-126
 - 15.5 pages of my proof script, including lemmas
- I'd started on the refinement proofs: $A \sqsubseteq B$ (100 pages of PRG-126)
 $B \sqsubseteq C$ (30 pages)

Progress (cont)

Some small but significant changes were made to the published text

- missing domain checks: in the context of

$$f, f' : X \leftrightarrow Y \quad ,$$

a predicate like $f'x = \text{exp}$ needs to have an explicit additional

$$x \in \text{dom } f'$$

Alternatively, it could be changed to $(x, \text{exp}) \in f'$. This change to the proof cannot be completed.

- a schema quantification like $\forall x : X; S \bullet \text{pred}$ (such as is found in function definitions like *totalAbBalance*) is not easy to deal with; this is rewritten as $\forall x : X; s : S \bullet \text{pred}$, then proofs become easy to prove a lemma that the two forms are equivalent.

Progress (cont)

- there is an inconsistency between two of the abstract operations. *AbTransferLostTD* has an expression like $f'x = \mu - exp$, while *AbTransferOkayTD* expresses a similar constraint as $f'x \in \{ \dots \}$. This is not equivalent, as the set has only one member. [This, like other errors, was caused by the sanitisation for publication process.]
- there are several small typos in the *B* and *C* level specifications and refinement proofs. These are recorded in a sheet available from Stepney's PRG-126 webpage: recommended if you are reading carefully.

Lessons learnt (in 2004)

- it was easier than I expected to learn ProofPower-Z
 - but documentation on basic use could be improved
- the ‘sanitisation for publication’ process is not easy, and is the oddities:
 - empty schema (caused by hiding all components)
 - *allLogs* : two similarly named components were merged
- for real proof examples, size of screen display is important: do
- mechanical theorem-proving is fun!

Progress since late 2004

Future plans?

In late 2004, my plans were:

- continue work on refinement proofs
 - can the structure of the hand proof be maintained?
 - can it be improved?
- comparison with Jim's work using Z/Eves
- ? automating the proof

Progress has been slow, but ...

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References

- for details of Mondex (& MultOS) publications:
<http://www-users.cs.york.ac.uk/susan/>
- for corrections etc to Mondex specs:
<http://www-users.cs.york.ac.uk/king/p>

JCPW's work in Z/Eves

- Aim was to re-express the Mondex specification, in Z, but tailored for automated proof
- Presented in detail to RefineNet workshop on Mondex, September 1995

Original state

$AbPurse == [balance, lost : \mathbb{N}]$

$[NAME]$

$AbWorld == [abAuthPurse : NAME \multimap AbPurse]$

JCPW's state

$[NAME]$

$AbWorld$

$index : NAME \multimap \mathbb{N}$

$credit, debit : seq \mathbb{N}$

$balance, lost : NAME \multimap \mathbb{N}$

$ran\ index = dom\ credit$

$balance = index \circ credit$

$lost = index \circ debit$

Proof based around summing sequences, and an *update* function

$$\mid \text{update} : (\text{seq } \mathbb{Z}) \times \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \text{seq } \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{update}(s, i, n)$$

Express state change as 2-stage update:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mid} &= \text{update}(\text{credit}, \text{from}, (\text{credit}(\text{from}) - \text{value?})) \\ \text{credit}' &= \text{update}(\text{mid}, \text{to}, (\text{mid}(\text{to}) + \text{value?})) \end{aligned}$$

First attempt: develop theory of results about *update*, based on in

Then: re-define *update* axiomatically, based on $\text{sum}(\text{update}(s, i,$

Effect on proofs

- domain checks (because of Z/Eves)
- finiteness (because of Z sequences)
- generic theorems (not well supported by Z/Eves)

Final proof

that 3 abstract operations maintain safety properties

10 definitions, 15 theorems, 20 proofs

Proof steps:

prove / prove by reduce / rewrite	22
prenex / simplify	4
cases / next	3
instantiate	3
apply / use	15
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Conclusions

- Two days' effort to produce radical recasting of Mondex spec
- Much simpler spec: how would the refinement look, based on
- *Getting the job done by exploring the theory*