

3. Exercise sheet *Semantics and Verification of Software 2007*

Due to Wed., 2 May 2007, *before* the exercise course begins.

Exercise 3.1:

In our WHILE language, the evaluation of (arithmetic) expressions has no *side effects*—it does not change the state. If we were to model side effects it would be natural to consider an evaluation relation of the form

$$\langle a, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \langle z, \sigma' \rangle$$

where σ' is the state that results from the evaluation of a in the original state σ . To introduce side effects in WHILE, extend the arithmetic expressions by a construct

$$c \text{ resultis } a$$

where $c \in \mathbf{Cmd}$ and $a \in \mathbf{AExp}$. To evaluate such an expression, c is first executed and then a is evaluated in the new state. Formalize this idea by giving it an operational semantics.

Exercise 3.2:

Show that the operational and the denotational semantics of arithmetic expressions coincide, i.e., prove the following result.

For every $a \in \mathbf{AExp}$, $\sigma \in \Sigma$, and $z \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$\langle a, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow z \quad \text{iff} \quad \mathfrak{A}[a](\sigma) = z.$$

Exercise 3.3:

Consider the following fragment of the factorial program (see Exercise 7):

$$\mathbf{while} \ \neg(x = 1) \ \mathbf{do} \ (y := y * x; \ x := x - 1).$$

- (a) Determine the corresponding functional $\Phi : (\Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma) \rightarrow (\Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma)$.
- (b) Give at least two fixpoints of Φ .

Exercise 3.4:

Develop a proof for Lemma 5.6 of the course, stating that the set of partial state transformations, $\Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma$, together with the relation \sqsubseteq given by graph inclusion forms a partial order.