

Wolfgang Schreiner Wolfgang.Schreiner@risc.jku.at

Research Institute for Symbolic Computation (RISC)
Johannes Kepler University, Linz, Austria
http://www.risc.jku.at



Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at

at 1/42



Specifications

We will introduce various flavors of specifications of ADTs.

- Specification semantics: $sp \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(sp)$.
 - Specification sp.
 - Its meaning $\mathcal{M}(sp)$ (an abstract datatype).
- sp is an adequate specification of an ADT C:
 - $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{M}(sp)$.
- sp is a strictly adequate specification of an ADT C:
 - $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{M}(\mathsf{sp}).$
- sp is a (strictly) adequate specification of an algebra A:
 - sp is (strictly) adequate specification of the monomorphic ADT [A].
- sp is polymorphic (monomorphic):
 - *sp* defines a polymorphic (monomorphic) ADT.

General notions independent of the kind of specification.



1. General Remarks

- 2. Loose Specifications
- 3. Loose Specifications with Constructors
- 4. Loose Specifications with Free Constructors
- 5. Summary

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at

Properties of Specifications



2/42

- Is the specification inconsistent?
 - Is the specified ADT empty (i.e. does not contain any algebras)?
- Is the specification monomorphic?
 - Are all algebras of the specified ADT isomorphic?
- Are two specifications equivalent?
 - Do they specify the same ADT?
- Does the specification (strictly) adequately describe a given ADT?
 - Assumes that the ADT is mathematically defined by other means.
 - But specification itself is typically the *only* definition of the ADT.
 - Then no mathematical proof of adequacy is possible.
 - Nevertheless, by "executing the specifications" (mechanically evaluating ground terms), we may investigate the properties of the specified ADT to increase our confidence in its adequacy.

All these questions now have a precise meaning.

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 3/42 Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 4/42



- 1. General Remarks
- 2. Loose Specifications
- 3. Loose Specifications with Constructors
- 4. Loose Specifications with Free Constructors
- 5. Summary

Wolfgang Schreiner

http://www.risc.jku.at

5/42

Loose Specifications



Take logic L.

- Loose specification $sp = (\Sigma, \Phi)$ in L: ■ Signature Σ , set of formulas $\Phi \subset L(\Sigma)$.
- Semantics $\mathcal{M}(sp) = Mod_{\Sigma}(\Phi)$.
 - \blacksquare All Σ -algebras are candidates for the specified ADT.
 - $Mod_{\Sigma}(\Phi) = Mod_{Alg(\Sigma),\Sigma}(\Phi)$.

A loose specification specifies as the abstract datatype the class of all models of its formula set.

http://www.risc.jku.at

6/42

Concrete Syntax



```
loose spec
        sorts sort ...
        opns operation . . .
        vars variable: sort . . .
        axioms formula ...
  endspec
■ Signature \Sigma = (\{sort, \ldots\}, \{operation, \ldots\}).
• Set of formulas \Phi = \{(\forall variable : sort, \dots : formula), \dots\}.
```

We will only use the concrete syntax to define specifications.

Example

Wolfgang Schreiner



```
loose spec
     sorts el, bool, list
      opns
            True : \rightarrow bool
            False :\rightarrow bool
            [\ ]:	o \mathit{list}
            Add: el \times list \rightarrow list
            \_ . \_ : list \times list \rightarrow list
     vars I, m : list, e : el
      axioms
            [ ].I = I
            Add(e, I).m = Add(e, I.m)
endspec
```

Adequate specification of the "classical" list algebra in EL.

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 7/42 Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 8/42

Strict Adequacy



Not a *strictly* adequate specification of the "classical" list algebra.

- Carrier for *bool* may collapse ("confusion" among *True* and *False*). $PL: axiom \neg (True = False)$
- Carrier for *list* may collapse ("confusion" among [] and Add(e, I)). *PL*: **axiom** $\forall e : el, l : list . \neg([] = Add(e, l))$
- Size of lists may be bound ("confusion" among Add terms). *PL*: **axiom** $\forall e_1, e_2 : elem, l_1, l_2 : list$.

$$Add(e_1, l_1) = Add(e_2, l_2) \Rightarrow e_1 = e_2 \land l_1 = l_2$$

- Carriers may contain extra values ("junk").
 - There may a *bool* value different from *True* and *False*.

PL: **axiom** $\forall b$: bool . $b = True \lor b = False$

- There may be *list* values different from those that can be constructed by application of [] and *Add*.
 - No axiom can express this in *PL*, a solution will be later presented.

In *PL* (not *EL* or *CEL*), additional axioms may solve *some* problems of "junk" and "confusion".

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 9/42

Example



```
loose spec
                                                        vars m, n: nat, b: bool
     sorts bool, nat
                                                        axioms
     opns
                                                              \neg(True = False)
                                                             b = True \lor b = False
           True :\rightarrow bool
           False: \rightarrow bool
                                                             \neg (0 = Succ(n))
                                                             Succ(n) = Succ(m) \Rightarrow n = m
           0:\rightarrow nat
           Succ: nat \rightarrow nat
                                                             (0 < n) = True
                                                             (Succ(n) < 0) = False
           _{-} + _{-}: nat \times nat \rightarrow nat
                                                             (Succ(n) \leq Succ(m)) = (n \leq m)
           \_* \_: nat \times nat \rightarrow nat
                                                             n + 0 = n
           _{-} < _{-}: nat \times nat \rightarrow bool
                                                             n + Succ(m) = Succ(n + m)
                                                             n * 0 = 0
                                                             n * Succ(m) = n + (n * m)
                                                  endspec
```

Adequate specification of Peano arithmetic in *PL* (not strictly adequate because *nat* may contain junk).

Example



```
loose spec
                                                         vars l, l_1, l_2 : list, e, e_1, e_2 : el, b : bool
      sorts el, bool, list
                                                          axioms
                                                                 \neg(True = False)
      opns
             True \rightarrow bool
                                                                b = True \lor b = False
             False :\rightarrow bool
                                                                \neg([] = Add(e, I))
             [\ ]: \rightarrow \mathit{list}
                                                                Add(e_1, l_1) = Add(e_2, l_2) \Rightarrow
             Add: el \times list \rightarrow list
                                                                       e_1 = e_2 \wedge I_1 = I_2
             : list \times list \rightarrow list
                                                                [ ].I = I
                                                                Add(e, l_1).l_2 = Add(e, l_1.l_2)
                                                   endspec
```

More (but still not strictly) adequate specification of the "classical" list algebra in *PL*.

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 10/42

Proving Strategies for Loose Specifications



Take loose specification $sp = (\Sigma, \Phi)$ in logic L with inference calculus \vdash .

- Prove: $\mathcal{M}(sp) \models \varphi$.
 - Every implementation of the specification sp has the property expressed by formula φ .
 - It suffices to prove $\Phi \vdash \varphi$.
 - Formula φ can be derived from the specification axioms Φ .
- Prove: $\mathcal{M}(sp) \subseteq \mathcal{M}(sp')$.
 - Loose specification $sp' = (\Sigma, \Psi)$.
 - Every implementation of the specification sp is also an implementation of the specification sp'.
 - It suffices to prove $\Phi \vdash \Psi$.
 - Every axiom $\psi \in \Psi$ can be derived from the axioms Φ .

Straight-forward reduction of semantic questions to proving.

Expressive Power of Loose Specifications



Take loose specification $sp = (\Sigma, \Phi)$ with $\Phi \subset L(\Sigma)$.

- Theorem 1: $\mathcal{M}(sp) = Mod_{\Sigma}(Th_{I}(\mathcal{M}(sp))).$
 - Th_L(C) = $\{\phi \in L(\Sigma) \mid \forall A \in C : A \models_{\Sigma} \phi\}$.
 - The theory of a class of algebras w.r.t. a given logic is the set of all formulas of that logic that are satisfied by every algebra of the class.
 - Thus sp can specify an ADT \mathcal{C} only if $\mathcal{C} = Mod_{\Sigma}(Th_{I}(\mathcal{C}))$.
- Example:
 - Signature NAT = $(\{nat\}, \{0 : \rightarrow nat, s : nat \rightarrow nat\})$.
 - NAT-algebra $N = (\{\mathbb{N}\}, \{0_{\mathbb{N}}, (\lambda x \cdot x + 1)\}).$
 - [N] cannot be specified by any specification sp in EL(NAT).
 - Assume specification sp with $\mathcal{M}(sp) = [N]$.
 - Then $I(N) = \{0 = 0, s(0) = s(0), s(s(0)) = s(s(0)), \ldots\}.$
 - Take NAT-algebra $A = (\{0,1\},0,\lambda x \cdot 1 x))$
 - Clearly $A \not\simeq N$, thus $A \not\in \mathcal{M}(sp)$.
 - But, since $A \models Th_{EL}(\{N\})$, $A \in Mod_{\Sigma}(Th_{EL}([N]))$, and thus, by Theorem 1, $A \in \mathcal{M}(sp)$.

Algebras can be discriminated only by the expressible formulas.

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at

Expressive Power of Loose Specifications



13/42

Take loose specification $sp = (\Sigma, \Phi)$ with $\Phi \subseteq L(\Sigma)$.

- Theorem 3: If L is EL or CEL, then M(sp) also contains algebras whose carriers are singletons (i.e., whose terms are "confused").
 - Consequence: No ADT with non-singleton carriers can be strictly adequately described by a loose specification in EL or CEL.
 - Cannot prevent "collapse" of the carrier.
- Theorem 4: If L is EL, CEL, or PL and $\mathcal{M}(sp)$ contains an algebra with an infinite carrier, then M(sp) also contains algebras whose corresponding carriers contain "junk".
 - Consequence: No ADT with an infinite carrier can be strictly adequately described by a loose specification in EL, CEL, or PL.
 - Cannot rule out "extra" values in addition to the desired ones.

We need some more mechanisms for strictly adequate specifications.

Expressive Power of Loose Specifications



Take loose specification $sp = (\Sigma, \Phi)$ with $\Phi \subset L(\Sigma)$.

- Theorem 2: If L has a sound and complete calculus and if Φ is recursively enumerable, then $\mathcal{M}(sp)$ is axiomatizable in L.
 - Set S is recursively enumerable, if there is an algorithm that lists all of its elements (running forever, if necessary).
 - A class \mathcal{C} of Σ -algebras is axiomatizable in L, if $Th_L(\mathcal{C})$ is recursively enumerable.
- An ADT whose theory is not recursively enumerable in the given logic, may not be specifiable by a loose specification.
 - Example: Peano arithmetic (natural numbers with addition and multiplication).
 - The theory of peano arithmetic is not recursively enumerable in first-order predicate logic.
 - Gödel's second incompleteness theorem: Peano arithmetic is not axiomatizable in first-order predicate logic.

Not every ADT can be specified by a loose specification.

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at



14/42

- 1. General Remarks
- 2. Loose Specifications
- 3. Loose Specifications with Constructors
- 4. Loose Specifications with Free Constructors
- 5. Summary

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.iku.at 15/42 Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 16/42

Generated Algebras



Take signature $\Sigma = (S, \Omega)$, Σ -algebra A.

- Define set of operations $\Omega_c \subseteq \Omega$ (the constructors).
 - Restricted signature $\Sigma_c = (S, \Omega_c)$.
- A is generated by Ω_c :
 - For each sort $s \in S$ and $a \in A(s)$, there exists a ground term $t \in T_{\Sigma_c,s}$ with a = A(t).
 - Carrier a can be described by a term t that involves only constructors.
 - \blacksquare A is generated if it is generated by Ω .
- $Gen(\Sigma, \Omega_c) := \{A \in Alg(\Sigma) \mid A \text{ is generated by } \Omega_c\}.$
 - The set of all Σ-algebras generated by constructors Ω_c .
 - $Gen(\Sigma) := Gen(\Sigma, \Omega)$.

Generated algebra does not contain "junk" in the carriers.

Wolfgang Schreiner

http://www.risc.jku.at

17/42

http://www.risc.jku.at

18/42

Algebras Generated in Some Sorts



Take signature $\Sigma = (S, \Omega)$, Σ -algebra A.

- Define set of sorts $S_c \subseteq S$ and set of operations $\Omega_c \subseteq \Omega$ (the constructors) with target sorts in S_c .
 - Restricted signature $\Sigma_c = (S, \Omega_c)$.
- A is generated by Ω_c in S_c :
 - For each sort $s \in S_c$ and $a \in A(s)$, there exists
 - a set X of variables in Σ with $X_s = \emptyset$ for every s in S_c ,
 - \blacksquare an assignment $\alpha: X \to A$,
 - \blacksquare and a term $t \in T_{\Sigma_c(X),s}$

with $a = A(\alpha)(t)$.

- Value a can be described by a term t that involves only constructors in the generated sorts and variables in the non-generated sorts.
- A is generated in Sc if it is generated in S_c by Ω .

Algebra does not contain "junk" in the carrriers of the generated sorts.

Example



Take signature

 $NAT = (\{nat\}, \Omega = \{0 : \rightarrow nat, Succ : nat \rightarrow nat, + : nat \times nat \rightarrow nat\}).$

- Classical NAT-algebra $A = (\mathbb{N}, 0_{\mathbb{N}}, +_{\mathbb{N}})$.
- Constructors $\Omega_c := \{0 : \rightarrow nat, Succ : nat \rightarrow nat\}.$
- \blacksquare A is generated by Ω_c :
 - For every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, n = A(s(s(s(...(s(0))))))
- \blacksquare A is also generated by Ω .
 - Any superset of a set of constructors is also a set of constructors.

Usually one looks for the minimal set of constructors.

Wolfgang Schreiner

Example



- Signature LIST = (S, Ω) :
 - $S = \{el, list\}.$
 - $\Omega = \{[\] : \rightarrow \textit{list}, \textit{Add} : \textit{el} \times \textit{list} \rightarrow \textit{list}, _\cdot _ : \textit{list} \times \textit{list} \rightarrow \textit{list}.$
- LIST-algebra *A*:
 - A(el) ... a set of "elements".
 - A(list) ... the set of finite lists of elements.
 - *A*([]) . . . the empty list.
 - \blacksquare A(Add) adds an element at the front of the list.
 - $A(\cdot)$ concatenates two lists.
- A is generated by $\Omega_c = \{[\], Add\}$ in $S_c = \{list\}$:
 - Take arbitrary $I = [e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n] \in A(list)$.
 - Define $X_{el} := \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}.$
 - Define $\alpha_{el} := [x_1 \mapsto e_1, x_2 \mapsto e_2, \dots, x_n \mapsto e_n].$
 - Then $I = A(\alpha)(Add(x_1, Add(x_2, \dots, Add(x_n, []))))$

http://www.risc.iku.at

Proofs by Induction



In generated sorts, the principle of structural induction can be applied.

- Take the LIST-algebra A of the previous example.
 - Notation: c_A for A(c).
 - Knowledge: (1) $\forall l \in list_A : [\]_A \cdot_A l = l.$ (2) $\forall e \in el_A, l, r \in list_A :$ $Add_A(e, l) \cdot_A r = Add_A(e, l \cdot_A r).$
- Prove: $\forall I \in list_A : I \cdot_A []_A = I$.
- Induction base $I = []_A$:
- Induction step $I = Add_A(e, r)$ (for some $e \in eI_A, r \in list_A$).
 - Induction Hypothesis (H): $r \cdot_A []_A = r$.
 - $\begin{array}{c} I \cdot_{A} []_{A} = Add_{A}(e, r) \cdot_{A} []_{A} \\ \stackrel{(2)}{=} Add_{A}(e, r \cdot_{A} []_{A}) \\ \stackrel{(H)}{=} Add_{A}(e, r) = I. \end{array}$

Wolfgang Schreiner

http://www.risc.jku.at

21/42

Loose Specifications with Constructors



Take logic L.

- Loose specification with constructors $sp = (\Sigma, \Phi, S_c, \Omega_c)$ in L:
 - Signature $\Sigma = (S, \Omega)$, set of formulas $\Phi \subseteq L(\Sigma)$, generated sorts $S_c \subseteq S$, constructors $\Omega_c \subseteq \Omega$ with target sorts in S_c .
- Semantics $\mathcal{M}(sp) = Mod_{\mathcal{U},\Sigma}(\Phi)$ where $\mathcal{U} = \{A \in Alg(\Sigma) \mid A \text{ is generated in } S_c \text{ by } \Omega_c\}.$
 - ullet Only generated Σ -algebras are candidates for the specified ADT.

A loose specification with constructors specifies as the ADT the class of all models of its formula set that are generated by the constructors.

Wolfgang Schreiner

http://www.risc.jku.at

22/42

Concrete Syntax



```
loose spec
sorts [ generated ] sort . . .
opns [ constr ] operation . . .
vars variable: sort . . .
axioms formula . . .
endspec
```

- Signature $\Sigma = (\{sort, \ldots\}, \{operation, \ldots\}).$
- Set of formulas $\Phi = \{(\forall variable : sort, \dots . formula), \dots\}.$
- Generated sorts $S_c = \{$ generated sort,... $\}$.
- Constructors $\Omega_c = \{$ **constr** operation, ... $\}$.

We will only use the concrete syntax to define specifications.

Example



```
vars l, m : list, e, e_1, e_2 : el
loose spec
     sorts el
                                                    axioms
           generated bool
                                                          \neg(True = False)
                                                         \neg([] = Add(e, I))
           generated list
     opns
                                                         Add(e_1, l_1) = Add(e_2, l_2) \Rightarrow e_1 = e_2
           constr True :\rightarrow bool
                                                         [ ].I = I
           constr False :→ bool
                                                         Add(e, I).m = Add(e, I.m)
           constr []:\rightarrow list
                                              endspec
```

Strictly adequate specification of the "classical" list algebra in PL.

constr $Add : el \times list \rightarrow list$

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 23/42 Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 24/42

Example



```
loose spec
                                                       vars m, n: nat
     sorts
                                                       axioms
           generated bool
                                                             \neg(True = False)
                                                             \neg (0 = Succ(n))
           generated nat
                                                             Succ(n) = Succ(m) \Rightarrow n = m
     opns
                                                             (0 \le n) = True
           constr True :\rightarrow bool
           constr False :→ bool
                                                             (Succ(n) < 0) = False
           constr 0 :\rightarrow nat
                                                             (Succ(n) \leq Succ(m)) = (n \leq m)
           constr Succ: nat \rightarrow nat
                                                             n + 0 = n
                                                             n + Succ(m) = Succ(n + m)
           _{-} + _{-}: nat \times nat \rightarrow nat
           _{-} * _{-}: nat \times nat \rightarrow nat
                                                             n * 0 = 0
           _{-} < _{-}: nat \times nat \rightarrow bool
                                                            n * Succ(m) = n + (n * m)
                                                 endspec
```

Strictly adequate specification of Peano arithmetic in PL.

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 25/42

Values have Unique Term Representations



Take aribitrary $A \in \mathcal{M}(sp)$.

- $bool_A = \{True_A, False_A\}$ and $True_A \neq False_A$.
 - \blacksquare *A* is generated by {*True*, *False*} in *bool*.
 - **axiom** \neg (*True* = *False*).
- $nat_A = \{Succ^k(0)_A : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ and $\forall k \neq I : Succ^k(0)_A \neq Succ^I(0)_A$
 - \blacksquare A is generated by $\{0, Succ\}$ in nat.
 - Proof by induction on k: $\forall l \neq k$: $Succ^k(0)_A \neq Succ^l(0)_A$.
 - $k = 0, l \neq 0$: $0_A \neq Succ^l(0)_A$ (by **axiom** $\neg (0 = Succ(n))$).
 - $k \neq 0, l \neq k$: assume $Succ^k(0)_A = Succ^l(0)_A$, show k = l. Know $l \neq 0$ (by **axiom** $\neg (0 = Succ(n))$). Thus k = k' + 1, l = l' + 1, it suffices to show k' = l'. By assumption, $Succ(Succ^{k'}(0))_A = Succ(Succ^{l'}(0))_A$. Thus $Succ^{k'}(0)_A = Succ^{l'}(0)_A$ (axiom $Succ(n) = Succ(m) \Rightarrow n = m$). By induction hypothesis, k' = l'.

Values are uniquely described by constructor applications.

Specified ADT is Strictly Adequate



Proof requires two parts.

- Peano arithmetic satisfies the specified axioms.
 - Can be easily checked.
- Specified ADT is monomorphic: $\forall B, C \in \mathcal{M}(sp) : B \simeq C$.
 - There is an isomorphism $h: B \rightarrow C$.
 - A bijective homomorphism.
 - Definition of unique term representation for every value.
 - Simplifies the remainder of the proof.
 - Definition of bijective mapping h:
 - By pattern matching on term representation.
 - Proof that h is a homomorphism:
 - By using properties expressed with the help of the term representation.

Term representation essential for this kind of proofs.

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 26/42

Definition of Bijective Mapping



Take arbitrary $B, C \in \mathcal{M}(sp)$.

- *h* is defined by pattern matching on constructor terms:
 - $h_{bool}(True_B) := True_C.$
 - $h_{bool}(False_B) := False_C.$
 - $h_{nat}(Succ^k(0)_B) = Succ^k(0)_C, \text{ for all } k \ge 0.$
- h is consistently defined:
 - *True*_B and *False*_B denote different values.
 - $Succ^k(0)_B$ denote different values for different k.
- h is bijective:
 - True_C and False_C denote different values.
 - $Succ^k(0)_C$ denote different values for different k.

One-to-one correspondence between the carriers of B and C.

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 27/42 Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 28/42

Homomorphism Proof



- Clear for constructors True, False, 0, Succ:
 - Definition of h already expresses homomorphism condition.
- Goal: $\forall m, n \in nat_B$. $h(op_B(m, n)) = op_C(h(m), h(n))$
 - *op* . . . + , * , ≤ .
 - $\forall k, l > 0$. $h(op_B(Succ^k(0)_B, Succ^l(0)_B)) =$ $op_C(h(Succ^k(0)_B), h(Succ^l(0)_B)).$
 - \blacksquare B and C are generated by $\{0, Succ\}$ in nat.
 - $\forall k, l \geq 0$. $h(op_B(Succ^k(0)_B, Succ^l(0)_B)) =$ $op_C(Succ^k(0)_C, Succ^l(0)_C).$
 - By definition of h.
 - $\forall k, l \geq 0$. $h(op(Succ^k(0), Succ^l(0))_B) =$ $op(Succ^k(0), Succ^l(0))_C$.
 - By definition of term semantics.

Proof goal is expressed with the help of constructor terms.

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at



29/42

- 1. General Remarks
- 2. Loose Specifications
- 3. Loose Specifications with Constructors
- 4. Loose Specifications with Free Constructors
- 5. Summary



Homomorphism Proof



The core of the homomorphism proof.

- Goal: $h((Succ^k(0) + Succ^l(0))_B) = (Succ^k(0) + Succ^l(0))_C$.
 - First simplify left and right hand side of the equation.
- **Lemma:** $\forall A \in \mathcal{M}(sp) : (Succ^k(0) + Succ^l(0))_A = Succ^{k+l}(0)_A$.
 - Induction base l = 0: by axiom n + 0 = n.
 - Induction step I = I' + 1:

$$(Succ^{k}(0) + Succ^{l'+1}(0))_{A}$$

$$= Succ(Succ^{k}(0) + Succ^{l'}(0))_{A}$$

$$= Succ(Succ^{k+l'}(0))_{A}$$

$$= Succ^{k+l'+1}(0)_{A}.$$

- Simplified goal: $h(Succ^{k+l}(0)_B) = Succ^{k+l}(0)_C$.
 - By definition of *h*.

Similar for the homomorphism proofs of the other operations.

Wolfgang Schreiner

http://www.risc.jku.at

30/42

Freely Generated Algebras



Take signature $\Sigma = (S, \Omega)$, Σ -algebra A.

- Define set of operations $\Omega_c \subseteq \Omega$ (the constructors).
 - Restricted signature $\Sigma_c = (S, \Omega_c)$.
- A is freely generated by Ω_c :
 - For each sort $s \in S$ and $a \in A(s)$, there exists exactly one ground term $t \in T_{\Sigma_c,s}$ with a = A(t).
 - Value a can be described by a unique term t that involves only
 - \blacksquare A is freely generated if it is generated by Ω .
- A is freely generated by Ω_c in S_c :
 - Analogous definition as for generated by ...in

Freely generated algebras have unique constructor term representations for the values of the freely generated sorts (no "junk" in carriers and no "confusion" among constructor terms).

Example



- The "classical" BOOL-algebra ({true, false},...):
 - Freely generated by { *True*, *False* }.
 - Not freely generated by $\{True, False, \neg\}$.
- The "one-element" BOOL-algebra $(\{\#\},...)$.
 - Freely generated by {*True*} and by {*False*}.
 - Not freely generated by { *True*, *False* }.
- The "classical" NAT-algebra (\mathbb{N}, \ldots) :
 - Freely generated by $\{0, Succ\}$.
 - Not freely generated by $\{0, Succ, +\}$.
- The "classical" INT-algebra (\mathbb{Z}, \ldots) :
 - INT = (int, {0: $\rightarrow int$, Succ: $int \rightarrow int$, Pred: $int \rightarrow int$ }).
 - Not freely generated by (any subset of) operations.

A set of free constructors cannot be extended.

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at

Loose Specifications with Free Constructors



33/42

Take logic L.

- Loose specification with free constructors $sp = (\Sigma, \Phi, S_c, \Omega_c)$ in L:
 - Signature $\Sigma = (S, \Omega)$, set of formulas $\Phi \subseteq L(\Sigma)$, freely generated sorts $S_c \subseteq S$, constructors $\Omega_c \subseteq \Omega$ with target sorts in S_c .
- Semantics $\mathcal{M}(sp) = Mod_{\mathcal{U},\Sigma}(\Phi)$ where $\mathcal{U} = \{A \in Alg(\Sigma) \mid A \text{ is freely generated in } S_c \text{ by } \Omega_c\}.$
 - \blacksquare Only freely generated $\Sigma\text{-algebras}$ are candidates for the specified ADT.

A loose specification with free constructors specifies the class of all models of its formula set that are freely generated by the constructors.

Inductive Function Definitions



Freely generated algebras allow inductive function definitions.

- Signature LIST = (S, Ω) :
 - $S = \{el, list\}.$
- Classical LIST-algebra A as in the previous example.
 - *A* is freely generated by $\Omega_c = \{[], Add\}$ in $S_c = \{list\}$:
- Inductive definition of function $g: A(list) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$.
 - $g([]_A) = 0.$
 - $g(Add(x,t)_A) = g(t_A) + 1$ for all $x \in X, t \in T_{\Sigma_c(X),list}$.

Inductive definition by "pattern matching" on constructor terms (independent of the nature of the carrier).

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at

Concrete Syntax



34/42

```
loose spec
sorts [ freely generated ] sort ...
opns [ constr ] operation ...
vars variable: sort ...
axioms formula ...
endspec
```

- Signature $\Sigma = (\{sort, \ldots\}, \{operation, \ldots\}).$
- Set of formulas $\Phi = \{(\forall \textit{variable} : \textit{sort}, \dots : \textit{formula}), \dots\}.$
- Generated sorts $S_c = \{ freely generated sort, \ldots \}.$
- Constructors $\Omega_c = \{ \text{constr operation}, \ldots \}.$

Also mixing of generated sorts with freely generated sorts possible.

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 35/42 Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 36/42

Example



Strictly adequate specification of the "classical" list algebra in <u>EL</u>; the non-constructor operation is inductively defined.

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 37/42



- 1. General Remarks
- 2. Loose Specifications
- 3. Loose Specifications with Constructors
- 4. Loose Specifications with Free Constructors
- 5. Summary





```
loose spec
                                                       vars m, n: nat
     sorts
                                                       axioms
           freely generated bool
                                                            (0 < n) = True
                                                            (Succ(n) < 0) = False
           freely generated nat
                                                            (Succ(n) \leq Succ(m)) = (n \leq m)
           constr True :\rightarrow bool
                                                            n + 0 = n
           constr False : \rightarrow bool
                                                            n + Succ(m) = Succ(n + m)
           constr 0 :\rightarrow nat
                                                            n * 0 = 0
                                                            n * Succ(m) = n + (n * m)
           constr Succ: nat \rightarrow nat
           _{-} + _{-}: nat \times nat \rightarrow nat
                                                 endspec
           \_* \_: nat \times nat \rightarrow nat
           _{-} < _{-}: nat \times nat \rightarrow bool
```

Strictly adequate specification of the "classical" list algebra in $\underline{\mathit{EL}}$; the non-constructor operations are inductively defined.

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 38/42

Summary



A couple of core messages...

- A loose specification describes a class of models as an ADT.
 - To check whether a given algebra implements the specification (i.e., whether it is an element of the specified ADT):
 - Check whether the algebra satisfies the specification axioms.
 - There may exist "confusion" among terms.
 - Carriers may collapse to singletons (or be too "small").
 - In PL, additional axioms can prevent this.
 - Non-equalities of operation results (injectiveness of operations).
 - Carriers may contain "junk".
 - In *PL*, an additional axiom can prevent this for a finite carrier.
 - Axiom enumerates constants that denote all s of the sort.

Without constructors, loose specifications are generally clumsy because many "boring" axioms are needed.

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 39/42 Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 40/42

Summary (Contd)



41/42

- Loose specifications with constructors.
 - Every value is denoted by some constructor term.
 - Thus junk is removed from (also infinite) carriers.
 - Induction proofs on term representation of s become possible.
 - Problem: not all carriers allow term representations.
 - ADT "real" (carrier is not countable).
- Loose specifications with free constructors.
 - Every value is denoted by exactly one constructor term.
 - Thus there is no "confusion" among constructor terms and the collapse of carriers is prevented.
 - Inductive function definitions by pattern matching on term representations of s become possible.
 - Problem: not all carriers have unique term representations.
 - ADT "set" (no unique representation at all).
 - ADT "integer" (unique representation is unconvient).

With constructors, loose specifications become easy to use.

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at

Summary (Contd)



So what is the role of loose specifications. . .

- Loose specifications are good for specifying requirements.
 - May specify zero, one, many datatypes (polymorphic ADTs).
 - Thus allow arbitrarily many implementations.
 - A loose specification may not have any model (implementation) at all!
 - Specification axioms can (should) be abstract.
 - Later verification that concrete implementation satisfies the axioms.
- Loose specifications are not good for specifying designs.
 - Not descriptions of concrete algorithms/implementations.
- Loose specifications are generally not executable.
 - No engines to execute loose specifications for rapid prototyping.

Loose specifications are for *reasoning*, not for *executing*; they are the basis of program specification languages such as Larch/C++.

Wolfgang Schreiner http://www.risc.jku.at 42/42