Build, Augment and Destroy. Universally

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Motivation

- The usual in/fold paradigm of programming with inductive types is very elegant and useful since it is directly based on the initial algebra semantics, a universal construction, syntax and equational laws for programming and reasoning follow directly.
- But in functional programming, in shortcut deforestation, one also uses build and fold/build fusion, the semantics has been unclear.
- Related is the question about the adequacy of the "impredicative encoding" of inductive types (Freyd, Wadler, Hasegawa...)

Background

- Gill, Launchbury, Peyton Jones (1993) -
 - build to capture uniform production of lists.
 - foldr/build fusion to eliminate intermediate lists.
 - correctness "proved" informally by reference to "theorems for free"
- Gill (1996) augment for lists
- Takano, Meijer (1995) build for arbitrary inductive types
- Johann (2002, 2003) correctness proof via parametricity of contextual equivalence

Shortcut deforesation

- Program transformation for automatic removal of intermediate data structures
- Uses foldr as standard list processing function

foldr :: (a -> b -> b) -> b -> [a] -> b
foldr f b [] = b
foldr f b (x:xs) = f x (foldr f b xs)

- List producers are defined using build
 build :: (forall x . (a -> x -> x) -> x -> x) -> [a]
 build theta = theta (:) []
- foldr/build fusion

foldr f b (build theta) ==> theta f b

Shortcut deforesation: example

• Modular (but inefficient) sum of squares:

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sumSq :: Int -> Int
sumSq m = sum (map square (upto 1 m))
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• Definitions of sum, map and upto

Shortcut deforesation: example

• Transformation

• Efficient sum of squares

Initial algebras

Let C be a category and F : C → C be a functor. An F-algebra is an object X in C together with a map φ : F X → X in C. An *F*-algebra map (X, φ) → (Y, ψ) is a map f : X → Y such that the square



commutes. An initial *F*-algebra is an initial object in the category *F*-**alg** of *F*-algebras, i.e., an *F*-algebra with a unique map from it to any *F*-algebra.

Initial algebras

• Syntax:

$$\operatorname{in}_F: F(\mu F) \to \mu F \qquad \qquad \frac{(X, \varphi) \in F\text{-alg}}{\operatorname{fold}_{F, X} \varphi: \mu F \to X}$$

• Evaluation:

$$(X, \varphi) \in F-\mathbf{alg}$$
$$\overline{\mathsf{fold}_{F,X}\varphi \circ \mathsf{in}_F = \varphi \circ F\mathsf{fold}_{F,X}\varphi}$$

• Extensionality:

$$\mathsf{fold}_{F,F(\mu F)}\mathsf{in}_F = \mathsf{id}_{\mu F} \qquad \qquad \frac{f:(X,\varphi) \to (Y,\psi) \in F\text{-}\mathsf{alg}}{f \circ \mathsf{fold}_{F,X}\varphi = \mathsf{fold}_{F,Y}\psi}$$

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Building build: pre-draft

• Type:

$$\frac{\Theta : \forall X.(FX \to X) \to (C \to X)}{\mathsf{build}_{F,C}\Theta : C \to \mu F}$$

• Definition:

$$\frac{\Theta : \forall X.(FX \to X) \to (C \to X)}{\mathsf{build}_{F,C}\Theta = \Theta \mathsf{in}_F}$$

• Shortcut deforestation:

$$\frac{\Theta : \forall X.(FX \to X) \to (C \to X) \quad \varphi : FA \to A}{\mathsf{fold}_{F,X} \varphi \circ \mathsf{build}_{F,C} \Theta = \Theta \varphi}$$

Building build: 1st attempt

- Prop. Let C be a category. If C has an initial object 0, then the limit of the identity functor $Id : C \to C$ is 0. Conversely if the identity functor has a limit, then this is the initial object of C.
- Cor. A functor $F : \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{C}$ has an initial algebra $(\mu F, in_F)$ iff $(\mu F, in_F)$ is a limit of the identity functor Id : F-alg $\to F$ -alg.



- Let *C* be a category and $F : C \to C$ be a functor.
- Let $U_F : F$ -alg $\rightarrow C$ be a forgetful functor.
- A U_F -cone is an object C in C and, for any F-algebra (X, φ) , a map $\Theta_X \varphi : C \to X$ in C, such that for any F-algebra map $f : (X, \varphi) \to (Y, \psi)$

$$f \circ \Theta_X \varphi = \Theta_Y \psi$$

A U_F-cone map h : (C, Θ) → (D, Ξ) is a map h : C → D in C such that, for any *F*-algebra (X, φ)

$$\Xi_X \varphi \circ h = \Theta_X \varphi$$

• A U_F -limit is a final object in the category of U_F -cones.

• Syntax:

$$\frac{(X, \varphi) \in F\text{-alg}}{\operatorname{fold}_{F, X}^* \varphi : \mu^* F \to X}$$

$$\frac{(C, \Theta) \in U_F \text{-} \mathbf{cone}}{\mathsf{build}_{F,C}^* \Theta : C \to \mu^* F}$$



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• Laws:

$$\frac{f:(X,\varphi)\to(Y,\psi)\in F\text{-}\mathbf{alg}}{f\circ\mathsf{fold}^*_{F,X}\varphi=\mathsf{fold}^*_{F,Y}\psi}$$

 $\frac{(C,\Theta) \in U_F \text{-} \mathbf{cone} \quad (X,\varphi) \in F \text{-} \mathbf{alg}}{\mathsf{fold}_{F,X}^* \varphi \circ \mathsf{build}_{F,C}^* \Theta = \Theta_X \varphi}$

$$\mathsf{id}_{\mu^*F} = \mathsf{build}^*_{F,\mu F}\mathsf{fold}^*_F$$

$$\frac{h: (C, \Theta) \to (D, \Xi) \in U_F \text{-cone}}{\text{build}_{F,C}^* \Theta = \text{build}_{F,D}^* \Xi \circ h}$$



- **Prop.** Let *C* be a category and $F : C \to C$ be a functor. If there is an initial *F*-algebra (μF , in_{*F*}), then (μF , fold_{*F*}) is an *U*_{*F*}-limit.
- For any U_F -cone (C, Θ) , define

$$\mathsf{build}_{F,C}\Theta =_{\mathsf{df}} \Theta_{\mu F} \mathsf{in}_F : C \to \mu F$$



- **Prop.** Let *C* be a category and $F : C \to C$ be a functor. If there is a U_F -limit $(\mu^* F, \operatorname{fold}_F^*)$, then $\mu^* F$ is a carrier of an initial *F*-algebra.
- For any *F*-algebra (X, φ) , define

 $\operatorname{infold}_{F,X}^* \varphi =_{\operatorname{df}} \varphi \circ F \operatorname{fold}_{F,X}^* \varphi : F \mu^* F \to X$



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- Define

$$\operatorname{in}_{F}^{*} =_{\operatorname{df}} \operatorname{build}_{F,F(\mu^{*}F)}^{*} \operatorname{infold}_{F}^{*} : F \mu^{*}F \to \mu^{*}F$$



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• Let $H, K : \mathcal{C}^{op} \times \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{D}$ be functors. A dinatural transformation $\Theta : H \to K$ is a family of maps $\Theta_X : H(X, X) \to K(X, X)$ for all objects X in \mathcal{C} such that, for every map $f : X \to Y$ in \mathcal{C} , the following hexagon commutes:



In our case:

- C is locally small category and D = Set
- $H = \text{Hom}(F -, -) : C^{\text{op}} \times C \rightarrow \text{Set for some functor } F : C \rightarrow C$
- $K = Hom(C, -) : C \rightarrow Set$ for some object *C* in *C*.
- Dinaturality says: for any maps $f : X \to Y$, $\xi : F Y \to X$, $\varphi : F X \to X$, $\psi : F Y \to Y$



• Not quite right !?

Let *H*, *K* : C^{op} × C → D be functors. A strongly dinatural transformation Θ : *H* → *K* is a family of maps Θ_X : *H*(*X*, *X*) → *K*(*X*, *X*) for all objects *X* in *C* such that, for every map *f* : *X* → *Y*, object *W* in D and maps *p*₀ : *W* → *H*(*X*, *X*), *p*₁ : *W* → *H*(*Y*, *Y*), if the square in the following diagram commutes, then so does the hexagon:



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- $K = Hom(C, -) : C \rightarrow Set$ for some object C in C.
- Strong dinaturality says: for any maps $f: X \to Y, \ \varphi: F \ X \to X, \ \psi: F \ Y \to Y$



Conclusions and future work

- Done: Alternative semantics of inductive types as limits of forgetful functor.
- Also: Derivation and generalization of augment combinator.
- Dualizes for coinductive types.
- To do: Parametricity in terms of strong dinaturals for languages supporting interleaved inductive and coinductive types