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### 1 Folds for Sets

To obtain equational system out of finite set of equivalence classes, a fold operation on finite sets folds is defined. The use of SOME makes folds more robust than the fold in the Isabelle library. The expression folds f makes sense when f is not associative and commutative, while fold f does not.

#### definition

```
folds :: ('a \Rightarrow 'b \Rightarrow 'b) \Rightarrow 'b \Rightarrow 'a \ set \Rightarrow 'b
where
folds f \ z \ S \equiv SOME \ x. fold-graph f \ z \ S \ x
```

 $\quad \text{end} \quad$ 

## 2 A general "while" combinator

theory While-Combinator imports Main begin

#### 2.1 Partial version

```
definition while-option :: ('a \Rightarrow bool) \Rightarrow ('a \Rightarrow 'a) \Rightarrow 'a \Rightarrow 'a \text{ option where}
while-option b c s = (if (\exists k. \sim b ((c \hat{\ } \hat{\ } k) s))
   then Some ((c ^ (LEAST k. ^ b ((c ^ k) s))) s)
   else None)
theorem while-option-unfold[code]:
while-option b c s = (if b s then while-option <math>b c (c s) else Some s)
proof cases
  assume b s
  show ?thesis
  proof (cases \exists k. \sim b ((c \hat{\ } k) s))
   case True
   then obtain k where 1: {}^{\sim} b ((c {}^{\hat{}} k) s) ...
   with \langle b \rangle obtain l where k = Suc \ l by (cases \ k) auto
   with 1 have \sim b ((c \cap l) (c s)) by (auto simp: funpow-swap1)
   then have 2: \exists l. \ ^{\sim} b \ ((c \ ^{\wedge} l) \ (c \ s)) \ ..
   from 1
   have (LEAST\ k. \sim b\ ((c\ \hat{\ }k)\ s)) = Suc\ (LEAST\ l. \sim b\ ((c\ \hat{\ }Suc\ l)\ s))
     by (rule Least-Suc) (simp add: \langle b \rangle)
   also have ... = Suc\ (LEAST\ l. \sim b\ ((c \hat{\ } l)\ (c\ s)))
     by (simp add: funpow-swap1)
   finally
   show ?thesis
      using True \ 2 \ \langle b \ s \rangle by (simp \ add: funpow-swap1 \ while-option-def)
   case False
   then have \sim (\exists l. \sim b ((c \cap Suc l) s)) by blast
   then have \sim (\exists l. \sim b ((c \land l) (c s)))
      by (simp add: funpow-swap1)
    with False \langle b \rangle show ?thesis by (simp add: while-option-def)
  qed
next
  assume [simp]: \sim b s
  have least: (LEAST\ k. \sim b\ ((c\ \hat{\ }k)\ s)) = 0
   by (rule Least-equality) auto
  moreover
  have \exists k. \ ^{\sim} b \ ((c \ ^{\wedge} k) \ s) by (rule exI[of - 0::nat]) auto
  ultimately show ?thesis unfolding while-option-def by auto
qed
lemma while-option-stop:
assumes while-option b c s = Some t
shows \sim b t
proof -
  from assms have ex: \exists k. \ ^{\sim} \ b \ ((c \ ^{\hat{}} \ k) \ s)
  and t: t = (c \hat{\ } (LEAST \ k. \ ^{\sim} \ b \ ((c \hat{\ } k) \ s))) \ s
   by (auto simp: while-option-def split: if-splits)
  from LeastI-ex[OF\ ex]
```

```
show \sim b t unfolding t.
qed
theorem while-option-rule:
assumes step: !!s. P s ==> b s ==> P (c s)
and result: while-option b \ c \ s = Some \ t
and init: P s
shows P t
proof -
 \mathbf{def}\ k == LEAST\ k.\ ^{\sim}\ b\ ((c\ ^{\smallfrown}\ k)\ s)
 from assms have t: t = (c^{\hat{c}} \hat{c} \hat{k}) s
   by (simp add: while-option-def k-def split: if-splits)
 have 1: ALL \ i < k. \ b \ ((c \hat{\ } i) \ s)
   by (auto simp: k-def dest: not-less-Least)
  { fix i assume i \le k then have P((c \hat{i}) s)
     by (induct i) (auto simp: init step 1) }
 thus P \ t by (auto \ simp: \ t)
qed
2.2
       Total version
definition while :: ('a \Rightarrow bool) \Rightarrow ('a \Rightarrow 'a) \Rightarrow 'a \Rightarrow 'a
where while b \ c \ s = the \ (while-option \ b \ c \ s)
lemma while-unfold:
  while b \ c \ s = (if \ b \ s \ then \ while \ b \ c \ (c \ s) \ else \ s)
unfolding while-def by (subst while-option-unfold) simp
lemma def-while-unfold:
 assumes fdef: f == while test do
 shows f x = (if test x then f(do x) else x)
unfolding fdef by (fact while-unfold)
The proof rule for while, where P is the invariant.
theorem while-rule-lemma:
 assumes invariant: !!s. P s ==> b s ==> P (c s)
   and terminate: !!s. P s ==> \neg b s ==> Q s
   and wf: wf \{(t, s). P s \wedge b s \wedge t = c s\}
 shows P s \Longrightarrow Q \text{ (while } b \text{ c } s)
 using wf
 apply (induct\ s)
 apply simp
 apply (subst while-unfold)
 apply (simp add: invariant terminate)
 done
theorem while-rule:
 [P s;
```

```
!!s. [| P s; b s |] ==> P (c s);
     !!s. [| P s; \neg b s |] ==> Q s;
     ||s.|| P s; b s || ==> (c s, s) \in r || ==>
  Q (while b c s)
 apply (rule while-rule-lemma)
    prefer 4 apply assumption
   apply blast
  apply blast
 apply (erule wf-subset)
 apply blast
 \mathbf{done}
end
theory Myhill-1
imports Main Folds While-Combinator
begin
     Preliminary definitions
3
\mathbf{types}\ \mathit{lang} = \mathit{string}\ \mathit{set}
Sequential composition of two languages
definition
 Seq :: lang \Rightarrow lang \Rightarrow lang (infixr ;; 100)
where
 A \; ; ; \; B = \{s_1 @ s_2 \mid s_1 \; s_2. \; s_1 \in A \land s_2 \in B\}
Some properties of operator;;.
lemma seq-add-left:
 assumes a: A = B
```

shows C : A = C : B

 $\mathbf{lemma}\ seq\text{-}union\text{-}distrib\text{-}right:$ 

unfolding Seq-def by auto

 $\mathbf{lemma}\ seq\text{-}union\text{-}distrib\text{-}left:$ 

unfolding Seq-def by auto

**shows**  $(A \cup B)$  ;;  $C = (A ;; C) \cup (B ;; C)$ 

**shows**  $C : (A \cup B) = (C : A) \cup (C : B)$ 

using a by simp

```
lemma seq-assoc:
 shows (A ;; B) ;; C = A ;; (B ;; C)
unfolding Seq-def
apply(auto)
apply(blast)
by (metis append-assoc)
\mathbf{lemma}\ seq\text{-}empty\ [simp]:
 shows A : ; {[]} = A
 and \{[]\};; A = A
by (simp-all add: Seq-def)
Power and Star of a language
  pow :: lang \Rightarrow nat \Rightarrow lang (infixl \uparrow 100)
where
 A \uparrow \theta = \{[]\}
|A \uparrow (Suc \ n) = A ;; (A \uparrow n)
definition
  Star :: lang \Rightarrow lang (-\star [101] 102)
where
  A\star \equiv (\bigcup n. \ A\uparrow n)
lemma star-start[intro]:
 shows [] \in A \star
proof -
 have [] \in A \uparrow \theta by auto
  then show [] \in A \star \text{ unfolding } Star\text{-}def \text{ by } blast
qed
lemma star-step [intro]:
  assumes a: s1 \in A
 and
           b: s2 \in A\star
 shows s1 @ s2 \in A\star
proof -
  from b obtain n where s2 \in A \uparrow n unfolding Star-def by auto
  then have s1 @ s2 \in A \uparrow (Suc \ n) using a by (auto simp add: Seq-def)
 then show s1 @ s2 \in A \star unfolding Star-def by blast
qed
lemma star-induct[consumes 1, case-names start step]:
 assumes a: x \in A\star
 and
           b: P []
           c: \land s1 \ s2. \ \llbracket s1 \in A; \ s2 \in A\star; \ P \ s2 \rrbracket \Longrightarrow P \ (s1 @ s2)
 and
  shows P x
proof -
```

```
from a obtain n where x \in A \uparrow n unfolding Star-def by auto
  then show P x
    by (induct \ n \ arbitrary: x)
       (auto intro!: b c simp add: Seq-def Star-def)
qed
lemma star-intro1:
 assumes a: x \in A\star
 and
            b: y \in A\star
 shows x @ y \in A \star
using a b
by (induct rule: star-induct) (auto)
lemma star-intro2:
 assumes a: y \in A
 shows y \in A \star
proof -
 from a have y @ [] \in A \star by \ blast
  then show y \in A \star by simp
qed
lemma star-intro3:
 assumes a: x \in A\star
 \mathbf{and}
           b: y \in A
 shows x @ y \in A \star
using a b by (blast intro: star-intro1 star-intro2)
lemma star-cases:
 shows A \star = \{[]\} \cup A ;; A \star
proof
  { fix x
    have x \in A \star \Longrightarrow x \in \{[]\} \cup A ;; A \star
     unfolding Seq-def
    by (induct rule: star-induct) (auto)
 then show A\star\subseteq\{[]\}\cup A ;; A\star by auto
\mathbf{next}
  show \{[]\} \cup A : A \star \subseteq A \star
    unfolding Seq-def by auto
qed
lemma star-decom:
 assumes a: x \in A \star x \neq []
 \mathbf{shows} \; \exists \, a \, \, b. \, \, x = \, a \, \, @ \, \, b \, \wedge \, a \neq [] \, \wedge \, a \in A \, \wedge \, b \in A \star
using a
\mathbf{by} \ (induct \ rule: \ star-induct) \ (blast) +
lemma
 shows seq-Union-left: B : (\bigcup n. A \uparrow n) = (\bigcup n. B : (A \uparrow n))
```

```
and seq-Union-right: (\bigcup n. A \uparrow n);; B = (\bigcup n. (A \uparrow n);; B)
unfolding Seq-def by auto
lemma seq-pow-comm:
 shows A :: (A \uparrow n) = (A \uparrow n) :: A
by (induct n) (simp-all add: seq-assoc[symmetric])
lemma seq-star-comm:
 shows A :: A \star = A \star :: A
unfolding Star-def seq-Union-left
{f unfolding}\ seq	ext{-}pow	ext{-}comm\ seq	ext{-}Union	ext{-}right
by simp
Two lemmas about the length of strings in A \uparrow n
lemma pow-length:
 assumes a: [] \notin A
 and
          b: s \in A \uparrow Suc \ n
 shows n < length s
using b
proof (induct \ n \ arbitrary: \ s)
 case \theta
 have s \in A \uparrow Suc \ \theta by fact
 with a have s \neq [] by auto
 then show 0 < length s by auto
\mathbf{next}
 case (Suc \ n)
 have ih: \land s. \ s \in A \uparrow Suc \ n \Longrightarrow n < length \ s \ by fact
 have s \in A \uparrow Suc (Suc n) by fact
  then obtain s1 s2 where eq: s = s1 @ s2 and *: s1 \in A and **: s2 \in A \uparrow
   by (auto simp add: Seq-def)
 from ih ** have n < length s2 by <math>simp
 moreover have 0 < length s1 using * a by auto
 ultimately show Suc \ n < length \ s \ unfolding \ eq
   by (simp only: length-append)
qed
lemma seq-pow-length:
 assumes a: [] \notin A
          b: s \in B ;; (A \uparrow Suc n)
 and
 shows n < length s
proof -
 from b obtain s1 s2 where eq: s = s1 @ s2 and *: s2 \in A \uparrow Suc n
   unfolding Seq-def by auto
 from * have n < length s2 by (rule pow-length[OF a])
 then show n < length s using eq by simp
qed
```

### 4 A modified version of Arden's lemma

A helper lemma for Arden **lemma** arden-helper: assumes eq: X = X;;  $A \cup B$ **shows** X = X ;;  $(A \uparrow Suc \ n) \cup (\bigcup m \in \{0..n\}. \ B$  ;;  $(A \uparrow m))$ **proof** (induct n) case  $\theta$ **show** X = X ;;  $(A \uparrow Suc \ \theta) \cup (\bigcup \{m::nat\} \in \{\theta..\theta\}. \ B$  ;;  $(A \uparrow m)$ using eq by simp  $\mathbf{next}$ case  $(Suc\ n)$ **have** ih: X = X;;  $(A \uparrow Suc\ n) \cup (\bigcup m \in \{0..n\}.\ B$ ;;  $(A \uparrow m))$  by fact also have ... =  $(X :; A \cup B) :; (A \uparrow Suc \ n) \cup (\bigcup m \in \{0..n\}. \ B :; (A \uparrow m))$ using eq by simp also have ... = X ;;  $(A \uparrow Suc\ (Suc\ n)) \cup (B$  ;;  $(A \uparrow Suc\ n)) \cup (\bigcup m \in \{0..n\}.$  $B : (A \uparrow m)$ **by** (simp add: seq-union-distrib-right seq-assoc) also have ... = X ;;  $(A \uparrow Suc\ (Suc\ n)) \cup (\bigcup m \in \{0..Suc\ n\}.\ B$  ;;  $(A \uparrow m))$ by (auto simp add: le-Suc-eq) finally show X = X;;  $(A \uparrow Suc\ (Suc\ n)) \cup (\bigcup m \in \{0...Suc\ n\}.\ B$ ;;  $(A \uparrow m))$ . qed theorem arden: assumes  $nemp: [] \notin A$ shows  $X = X : A \cup B \longleftrightarrow X = B : A \star$ proof assume eq: X = B;;  $A \star$ have  $A \star = \{[]\} \cup A \star ;; A$ **unfolding** seq-star-comm[symmetric] **by** (rule star-cases) then have  $B :: A \star = B :: (\{[]\} \cup A \star :: A)$ **by** (rule seq-add-left) also have ... =  $B \cup B$  ;;  $(A \star ;; A)$ unfolding seq-union-distrib-left by simp also have ... =  $B \cup (B ;; A\star) ;; A$ **by** (simp only: seq-assoc) finally show  $X = X ;; A \cup B$ using eq by blast  $\mathbf{next}$ assume eq: X = X;;  $A \cup B$  $\{ \mathbf{fix} \ n :: nat \}$ have  $B :: (A \uparrow n) \subseteq X$  using arden-helper [OF eq, of n] by auto } then have  $B :: A \star \subseteq X$ unfolding Seq-def Star-def UNION-def by auto moreover  $\{$  fix  $s::string \}$ 

obtain k where  $k = length \ s$  by auto then have  $not\text{-}in: s \notin X \ ;; \ (A \uparrow Suc \ k)$ 

```
using seq\text{-}pow\text{-}length[OF\ nemp] by blast assume s \in X then have s \in X;; (A \uparrow Suc\ k) \cup (\bigcup m \in \{0..k\}.\ B\ ;;\ (A \uparrow m)) using arden\text{-}helper[OF\ eq,\ of\ k] by auto then have s \in (\bigcup m \in \{0..k\}.\ B\ ;;\ (A \uparrow m)) using not\text{-}in by auto moreover have (\bigcup m \in \{0..k\}.\ B\ ;;\ (A \uparrow m)) \subseteq (\bigcup n.\ B\ ;;\ (A \uparrow n)) by auto ultimately have s \in B\ ;;\ A\star unfolding seq\text{-}Union\text{-}left\ Star\text{-}def\ by\ auto} then have X \subseteq B\ ;;\ A\star by auto ultimately show X = B\ ;;\ A\star by simp qed
```

## 5 Regular Expressions

```
datatype rexp = NULL | EMPTY | CHAR char | SEQ rexp rexp | ALT rexp rexp | STAR rexp
```

The function L is overloaded, with the idea that L x evaluates to the language represented by the object x.

```
consts L:: 'a \Rightarrow lang
```

```
overloading L\text{-}rexp \equiv L:: rexp \Rightarrow lang begin fun L\text{-}rexp :: rexp \Rightarrow lang where L\text{-}rexp (NULL) = \{\} \mid L\text{-}rexp (EMPTY) = \{[]\} \mid L\text{-}rexp (CHAR \ c) = \{[c]\} \mid L\text{-}rexp (SEQ \ r1 \ r2) = (L\text{-}rexp \ r1) \ ;; (L\text{-}rexp \ r2) \mid L\text{-}rexp \ (STAR \ r) = (L\text{-}rexp \ r) \star
```

ALT-combination of a set or regulare expressions

```
abbreviation Setalt \ (\biguplus - [1000] \ 999) where \biguplus A \equiv folds \ ALT \ NULL \ A
```

For finite sets, Setalt is preserved under L.

```
lemma folds-alt-simp [simp]:
fixes rs::rexp set
assumes a: finite \ rs
shows L \ (\biguplus rs) = \bigcup \ (L \ `rs)
unfolding folds-def
apply(rule \ set-eqI)
apply(rule \ someI2-ex)
apply(rule \ tac \ finite-imp-fold-graph[OF \ a])
apply(erule \ fold-graph.induct)
apply(erule \ fold-graph.induct)
apply(erule \ fold-graph.induct)
done
```

## **6** Direction finite partition $\Rightarrow$ regular language

Just a technical lemma for collections and pairs

```
lemma Pair-Collect[simp]:

shows\ (x,\ y) \in \{(x,\ y).\ P\ x\ y\} \longleftrightarrow P\ x\ y

by simp

Myhill-Nerode relation

definition

str\text{-}eq\text{-}rel: lang \Rightarrow (string \times string)\ set\ (\approx -\ [100]\ 100)

where

\approx A \equiv \{(x,\ y).\ (\forall\ z.\ x\ @\ z \in A \longleftrightarrow y\ @\ z \in A)\}
```

Among the equivalence clases of  $\approx A$ , the set finals A singles out those which contains the strings from A.

```
definition
```

```
\begin{array}{l} \textit{finals} :: \textit{lang} \Rightarrow \textit{lang set} \\ \textbf{where} \\ \textit{finals} \ A \equiv \{ \approx A \ `` \ \{s\} \mid s \ . \ s \in A \} \end{array}
```

```
lemma lang-is-union-of-finals: shows A = \bigcup finals A unfolding finals-def unfolding Image-def unfolding str-eq-rel-def apply(auto) apply(drule-tac x = [] in spec) apply(auto) done
```

```
lemma finals-in-partitions:

shows finals A \subseteq (UNIV // \approx A)

unfolding finals-def quotient-def

by auto
```

## 7 Equational systems

The two kinds of terms in the rhs of equations.

```
{\bf datatype}\ \mathit{rhs-item} =
   Lam rexp
 | Trn lang rexp
overloading L-rhs-item \equiv L:: rhs-item \Rightarrow lang
begin
  fun L-rhs-item:: rhs-item \Rightarrow lang
  where
    L-rhs-item (Lam\ r) = L\ r
  |L-rhs-item(Trn X r) = X ;; L r
end
overloading L-rhs \equiv L:: rhs-item set \Rightarrow lang
  fun L-rhs:: rhs-item set \Rightarrow lang
   where
     L-rhs rhs = \bigcup (L 'rhs)
end
lemma L-rhs-union-distrib:
  fixes A B::rhs-item set
  shows L A \cup L B = L (A \cup B)
\mathbf{by} \ simp
Transitions between equivalence classes
definition
  transition :: lang \Rightarrow char \Rightarrow lang \Rightarrow bool (- \models -\Rightarrow -[100,100,100] 100)
where
  Y \models c \Rightarrow X \equiv Y ;; \{[c]\} \subseteq X
Initial equational system
definition
  Init-rhs CS X \equiv
      if ([] \in X) then
          \{Lam\ EMPTY\} \cup \{Trn\ Y\ (CHAR\ c) \mid Y\ c.\ Y\in CS\ \land\ Y\models c\Rightarrow X\}
          \{Trn\ Y\ (CHAR\ c)|\ Y\ c.\ Y\in CS\ \land\ Y\models c\Rightarrow X\}
definition
  Init CS \equiv \{(X, Init\text{-rhs } CS X) \mid X. X \in CS\}
```

## 8 Arden Operation on equations

The function attach-rexp r item SEQ-composes r to the right of every rhsitem.

#### fun

```
append-rexp :: rexp \Rightarrow rhs-item \Rightarrow rhs-item
```

#### definition

```
append-rhs-rexp rhs rexp \equiv (append-rexp rexp) ' rhs
```

#### definition

```
Arden X rhs \equiv append-rhs-rexp (rhs - {Trn X r \mid r. Trn X r \in rhs}) (STAR (\biguplus {r. Trn X r \in rhs}))
```

## 9 Substitution Operation on equations

Suppose and equation X = xrhs, Subst substitutes all occurrences of X in rhs by xrhs.

#### definition

```
Subst rhs X xrhs \equiv (rhs - \{Trn \ X \ r \mid r. \ Trn \ X \ r \in rhs\}) \cup (append-rhs-rexp \ xrhs \ (\biguplus \{r. \ Trn \ X \ r \in rhs\}))
```

eqs-subst  $ES \ X \ xrhs$  substitutes xrhs into every equation of the equational system ES.

```
types esystem = (lang \times rhs\text{-}item \ set) \ set
```

#### definition

```
Subst-all :: esystem \Rightarrow lang \Rightarrow rhs-item set \Rightarrow esystem where Subst-all ES X xrhs \equiv \{(Y, Subst \ yrhs \ X \ xrhs) \mid Y \ yrhs. \ (Y, \ yrhs) \in ES\}
```

The following term  $remove\ ES\ Y\ yrhs$  removes the equation Y=yrhs from equational system ES by replacing all occurences of Y by its definition (using eqs-subst). The Y-definition is made non-recursive using Arden's transformation  $arden\text{-}variate\ Y\ yrhs$ .

#### definition

```
Remove ES X xrhs \equiv Subst-all (ES - \{(X, xrhs)\}\) X (Arden X xrhs)
```

### 10 While-combinator

The following term  $Iter\ X\ ES$  represents one iteration in the while loop. It arbitrarily chooses a Y different from X to remove.

#### definition

```
 Iter \ X \ ES \equiv (let \ (Y, \ yrhs) = SOME \ (Y, \ yrhs). \ (Y, \ yrhs) \in ES \ \land \ X \neq Y   in \ Remove \ ES \ Y \ yrhs)
```

```
lemma IterI2:
```

```
assumes (Y, yrhs) \in ES
and X \neq Y
and \bigwedge Y yrhs. \llbracket (Y, yrhs) \in ES; X \neq Y \rrbracket \implies Q (Remove ES Y yrhs)
shows Q (Iter X ES)
unfolding Iter-def using assms
by (rule-tac a=(Y, yrhs) in some I2) (auto)
```

The following term  $Reduce\ X\ ES$  repeatedly removes characteriztion equations for unknowns other than X until one is left.

#### abbreviation

```
Cond\ ES \equiv card\ ES \neq 1
```

#### definition

```
Solve X ES \equiv while Cond (Iter X) ES
```

Since the while combinator from HOL library is used to implement  $Solve\ X$  ES, the induction principle while-rule is used to proved the desired properties of  $Solve\ X\ ES$ . For this purpose, an invariant predicate invariant is defined in terms of a series of auxilliary predicates:

### 11 Invariants

Every variable is defined at most once in ES.

#### definition

```
distinct-equas ES \equiv \forall X \ rhs \ rhs'. \ (X, \ rhs) \in ES \land (X, \ rhs') \in ES \longrightarrow rhs = rhs'
```

Every equation in ES (represented by (X, rhs)) is valid, i.e. X = L rhs.

#### definition

sound-eqs 
$$ES \equiv \forall (X, rhs) \in ES$$
.  $X = L rhs$ 

ardenable rhs requires regular expressions occurring in transitional items of rhs do not contain empty string. This is necessary for the application of Arden's transformation to rhs.

#### definition

```
ardenable \ rhs \equiv (\forall \ Y \ r. \ Trn \ Y \ r \in rhs \longrightarrow [] \notin L \ r)
```

The following  $ardenable-all\ ES$  requires that Arden's transformation is applicable to every equation of equational system ES.

#### definition

```
ardenable-all ES \equiv \forall (X, rhs) \in ES. ardenable rhs
```

finite-rhs ES requires every equation in rhs be finite.

#### definition

```
finite-rhs ES \equiv \forall (X, rhs) \in ES. finite rhs
```

```
lemma finite-rhs-def2:
```

```
finite-rhs ES = (\forall X rhs. (X, rhs) \in ES \longrightarrow finite rhs) unfolding finite-rhs-def by auto
```

classes-of rhs returns all variables (or equivalent classes) occurring in rhs.

#### definition

```
rhss \ rhs \equiv \{X \mid X \ r. \ Trn \ X \ r \in rhs\}
```

lefts-of ES returns all variables defined by an equational system ES.

#### definition

$$lhss\ ES \equiv \{Y \mid Y\ yrhs.\ (Y,\ yrhs) \in ES\}$$

The following valid-eqs ES requires that every variable occurring on the right hand side of equations is already defined by some equation in ES.

#### definition

```
valid\text{-}eqs\ ES \equiv \forall (X,\ rhs) \in ES.\ rhss\ rhs \subseteq lhss\ ES
```

The invariant invariant(ES) is a conjunction of all the previously defined constaints.

#### definition

```
invariant \ ES \equiv finite \ ES \\ \land \ finite\text{-}rhs \ ES \\ \land \ sound\text{-}eqs \ ES \\ \land \ distinct\text{-}equas \ ES \\ \land \ ardenable\text{-}all \ ES \\ \land \ valid\text{-}eqs \ ES
```

#### lemma invariantI:

```
assumes sound-eqs ES finite ES distinct-equas ES ardenable-all ES finite-rhs ES valid-eqs ES shows invariant ES using assms by (simp add: invariant-def)
```

#### 11.1 The proof of this direction

#### 11.1.1 Basic properties

The following are some basic properties of the above definitions.

```
lemma finite-Trn:
 assumes fin: finite rhs
 shows finite \{r. Trn Y r \in rhs\}
proof -
 have finite \{Trn \ Y \ r \mid Y \ r. \ Trn \ Y \ r \in rhs\}
   by (rule rev-finite-subset[OF fin]) (auto)
  then have finite ((\lambda(Y, r), Trn Y r) ' \{(Y, r) \mid Y r, Trn Y r \in rhs\})
   by (simp add: image-Collect)
  then have finite \{(Y, r) \mid Yr. Trn Yr \in rhs\}
   by (erule-tac finite-imageD) (simp add: inj-on-def)
 then show finite \{r. Trn Y r \in rhs\}
   by (erule-tac\ f=snd\ in\ finite-surj)\ (auto\ simp\ add:\ image-def)
qed
lemma finite-Lam:
 assumes fin: finite rhs
 shows finite \{r. \ Lam \ r \in rhs\}
proof -
 have finite \{Lam \ r \mid r. \ Lam \ r \in rhs\}
   by (rule rev-finite-subset[OF fin]) (auto)
  then show finite \{r. \ Lam \ r \in rhs\}
   apply(simp add: image-Collect[symmetric])
   apply(erule\ finite-imageD)
   apply(auto simp add: inj-on-def)
   done
qed
lemma rexp-of-empty:
 assumes finite: finite rhs
 {\bf and}\ nonempty \hbox{:}\ ardenable\ rhs
 shows [] \notin L (\vdash) \{r. Trn X r \in rhs\})
using finite nonempty ardenable-def
using finite-Trn[OF finite]
by auto
lemma lang-of-rexp-of:
 assumes finite:finite rhs
 shows L\left(\left\{Trn\ X\ r\mid\ r.\ Trn\ X\ r\in rhs\right\}\right)=X\ ;;\ \left(L\left(\left\{\right\}\left\{r.\ Trn\ X\ r\in rhs\right\}\right)\right)
proof
 have finite \{r. Trn X r \in rhs\}
   by (rule finite-Trn[OF finite])
  then show ?thesis
   apply(auto simp add: Seq-def)
   apply(rule-tac \ x = s_1 \ in \ exI, \ rule-tac \ x = s_2 \ in \ exI)
   apply(auto)
   apply(rule-tac x = Trn X xa in exI)
   apply(auto simp add: Seq-def)
   done
qed
```

```
lemma lang-of-append:

L (append-rexp r rhs-item) = L rhs-item;; L r by (induct rule: append-rexp.induct)

(auto simp add: seq-assoc)

lemma lang-of-append-rhs:

L (append-rhs-rexp rhs r) = L rhs;; L r unfolding append-rhs-rexp-def

by (auto simp add: Seq-def lang-of-append)

lemma rhss-union-distrib:

shows rhss (A \cup B) = rhss A \cup rhss B

by (auto simp add: rhss-def)

lemma lhss-union-distrib:

shows lhss (A \cup B) = lhss A \cup lhss B

by (auto simp add: lhss-def)
```

#### 11.1.2 Intialization

The following several lemmas until *init-ES-satisfy-invariant* shows that the initial equational system satisfies invariant *invariant*.

```
lemma defined-by-str:
 assumes s \in X X \in UNIV // \approx A
 shows X = \approx A " \{s\}
using assms
unfolding quotient-def Image-def str-eq-rel-def
by auto
lemma every-eqclass-has-transition:
 assumes has\text{-}str: s @ [c] \in X
          in-CS: X \in UNIV // \approx A
 obtains Y where Y \in UNIV // \approx A and Y :; \{[c]\} \subseteq X and s \in Y
proof -
 \mathbf{def}\ Y \equiv \approx A\ ``\ \{s\}
 have Y \in UNIV // \approx A
   unfolding Y-def quotient-def by auto
  moreover
 have X = \approx A " \{s \otimes [c]\}
   using has-str in-CS defined-by-str by blast
  then have Y :: \{[c]\} \subseteq X
   unfolding Y-def Image-def Seq-def
   unfolding str-eq-rel-def
   by clarsimp
 moreover
 have s \in Y unfolding Y-def
   unfolding Image-def str-eq-rel-def by simp
  ultimately show thesis using that by blast
```

```
qed
```

```
lemma l-eq-r-in-eqs:
 assumes X-in-eqs: (X, rhs) \in Init (UNIV // \approx A)
 shows X = L rhs
proof
 \mathbf{show}\ X\subseteq L\ \mathit{rhs}
 proof
   \mathbf{fix} \ x
   assume (1): x \in X
   show x \in L \ rhs
   proof (cases x = [])
     assume empty: x = []
     thus ?thesis using X-in-eqs (1)
       by (auto simp: Init-def Init-rhs-def)
   next
     assume not-empty: x \neq []
     then obtain clist c where decom: x = clist @ [c]
       by (case-tac x rule:rev-cases, auto)
     have X \in UNIV // \approx A using X-in-eqs by (auto simp:Init-def)
     then obtain Y
       where Y \in UNIV // \approx A
       and Y :: \{[c]\} \subseteq X
       and clist \in Y
       using decom (1) every-eqclass-has-transition by blast
     hence
       x \in L \{Trn \ Y \ (CHAR \ c) | \ Y \ c. \ Y \in UNIV \ // \approx A \land Y \models c \Rightarrow X \}
       unfolding transition-def
       using (1) decom
       by (simp, rule-tac \ x = Trn \ Y \ (CHAR \ c) \ in \ exI, \ simp \ add:Seq-def)
     thus ?thesis using X-in-eqs (1)
       by (simp add: Init-def Init-rhs-def)
   \mathbf{qed}
 qed
\mathbf{next}
 show L \ rhs \subseteq X \ using \ X-in-eqs
   by (auto simp:Init-def Init-rhs-def transition-def)
qed
lemma test:
 assumes X-in-eqs: (X, rhs) \in Init (UNIV // \approx A)
 shows X = \bigcup (L \cdot rhs)
using assms
by (drule-tac\ l-eq-r-in-eqs)\ (simp)
lemma finite-Init-rhs:
 assumes finite: finite CS
 shows finite (Init-rhs CS X)
```

```
proof-
 \mathbf{def}\ S \equiv \{(Y,\ c)|\ Y\ c.\ Y\in \mathit{CS}\ \land\ Y\ ;;\ \{[c]\}\subseteq X\}
 def h \equiv \lambda (Y, c). Trn Y (CHAR c)
 have finite (CS \times (UNIV::char\ set)) using finite by auto
 then have finite S using S-def
   \mathbf{by} \; (\textit{rule-tac} \; B = \textit{CS} \; \times \; \textit{UNIV} \; \mathbf{in} \; \textit{finite-subset}) \; (\textit{auto})
  moreover have \{Trn\ Y\ (CHAR\ c)\ |\ Y\ c.\ Y\in CS\ \land\ Y\ ;;\ \{[c]\}\subseteq X\}=h\ `S
   unfolding S-def h-def image-def by auto
  ultimately
 have finite \{Trn\ Y\ (CHAR\ c)\ |\ Y\ c.\ Y\in CS\ \land\ Y\ ;;\ \{[c]\}\subseteq X\} by auto
 then show finite (Init-rhs CS(X)) unfolding Init-rhs-def transition-def by simp
\mathbf{lemma} \ \mathit{Init-ES-satisfies-invariant} \colon
 assumes finite-CS: finite (UNIV //\approx A)
 shows invariant (Init (UNIV //\approx A))
proof (rule invariantI)
 show sound-eqs (Init (UNIV //\approx A))
   unfolding sound-eqs-def
   using l-eq-r-in-eqs by auto
 show finite (Init (UNIV //\approx A)) using finite-CS
   unfolding Init-def by simp
  show distinct-equas (Init (UNIV //\approx A))
   unfolding distinct-equas-def Init-def by simp
  show ardenable-all (Init (UNIV //\approx A))
   unfolding ardenable-all-def Init-def Init-rhs-def ardenable-def
  by auto
 show finite-rhs (Init (UNIV //\approx A))
   using finite-Init-rhs[OF finite-CS]
   unfolding finite-rhs-def Init-def by auto
 show valid-eqs (Init (UNIV //\approx A))
   unfolding valid-eqs-def Init-def Init-rhs-def rhss-def lhss-def
   by auto
qed
```

#### 11.1.3 Interation step

From this point until *iteration-step*, the correctness of the iteration step Iter X ES is proved.

```
lemma Arden-keeps-eq:
assumes l-eq-r: X = L rhs
and not-empty: ardenable rhs
and finite: finite rhs
shows X = L (Arden X rhs)
proof -
def A \equiv L (\biguplus \{r. \ Trn \ X \ r \in rhs\})
def b \equiv rhs - \{Trn \ X \ r \mid r. \ Trn \ X \ r \in rhs\}
def B \equiv L b
have X = B;; A \star
```

```
proof -
   have L \ rhs = L(\{Trn \ X \ r \mid r. \ Trn \ X \ r \in rhs\} \cup b) by (auto simp: b-def)
   also have \dots = X ;; A \cup B
     unfolding L-rhs-union-distrib[symmetric]
     by (simp only: lang-of-rexp-of finite B-def A-def)
   finally show ?thesis
     apply(rule-tac arden[THEN iffD1])
     apply(simp\ (no-asm)\ add:\ A-def)
     using finite-Trn[OF finite] not-empty
     apply(simp add: ardenable-def)
     using l-eq-r
     apply(simp)
     done
 qed
 moreover have L(Arden X rhs) = B :: A \star
   by (simp only: Arden-def L-rhs-union-distrib lang-of-append-rhs
                B-def A-def b-def L-rexp.simps seq-union-distrib-left)
  ultimately show ?thesis by simp
qed
lemma append-keeps-finite:
 finite rhs \Longrightarrow finite (append-rhs-rexp \ rhs \ r)
by (auto simp:append-rhs-rexp-def)
lemma Arden-keeps-finite:
 finite \ rhs \Longrightarrow finite \ (Arden \ X \ rhs)
by (auto simp:Arden-def append-keeps-finite)
lemma append-keeps-nonempty:
  ardenable \ rhs \Longrightarrow ardenable \ (append-rhs-rexp \ rhs \ r)
apply (auto simp:ardenable-def append-rhs-rexp-def)
by (case-tac \ x, \ auto \ simp:Seq-def)
\mathbf{lemma}\ nonempty\text{-}set\text{-}sub\text{:}
  ardenable \ rhs \Longrightarrow ardenable \ (rhs - A)
by (auto simp:ardenable-def)
lemma nonempty-set-union:
  \llbracket ardenable \ rhs; \ ardenable \ rhs' \rrbracket \Longrightarrow ardenable \ (rhs \cup rhs')
by (auto simp:ardenable-def)
lemma Arden-keeps-nonempty:
  ardenable \ rhs \Longrightarrow ardenable \ (Arden \ X \ rhs)
by (simp only:Arden-def append-keeps-nonempty nonempty-set-sub)
lemma Subst-keeps-nonempty:
  [ardenable \ rhs; \ ardenable \ xrhs] \implies ardenable \ (Subst \ rhs \ X \ xrhs)
by (simp only:Subst-def append-keeps-nonempty nonempty-set-union nonempty-set-sub)
```

```
lemma Subst-keeps-eq:
 assumes substor: X = L xrhs
 and finite: finite rhs
 shows L (Subst rhs X xrhs) = L rhs (is ?Left = ?Right)
proof-
  \mathbf{def}\ A \equiv L\ (rhs - \{\mathit{Trn}\ X\ r \mid r.\ \mathit{Trn}\ X\ r \in rhs\})
 have ?Left = A \cup L \ (append-rhs-rexp \ xrhs \ (\biguplus \{r. \ Trn \ X \ r \in rhs\}))
   unfolding Subst-def
   unfolding L-rhs-union-distrib[symmetric]
   by (simp \ add: A-def)
 moreover have ?Right = A \cup L (\{Trn \ X \ r \mid r. \ Trn \ X \ r \in rhs\})
 proof-
    have rhs = (rhs - \{Trn \ X \ r \mid r. \ Trn \ X \ r \in rhs\}) \cup (\{Trn \ X \ r \mid r. \ Trn \ X \ r
\in rhs\}) by auto
   thus ?thesis
     unfolding A-def
     unfolding L-rhs-union-distrib
     by simp
 qed
 moreover have L (append-rhs-rexp xrhs (\biguplus \{r. Trn X r \in rhs\})) = L (\{Trn X \}
r \mid r. Trn X r \in rhs\})
   using finite substor by (simp only:lang-of-append-rhs lang-of-rexp-of)
  ultimately show ?thesis by simp
qed
lemma Subst-keeps-finite-rhs:
 \llbracket finite\ rhs;\ finite\ yrhs \rrbracket \Longrightarrow finite\ (Subst\ rhs\ Y\ yrhs)
by (auto simp:Subst-def append-keeps-finite)
lemma Subst-all-keeps-finite:
 assumes finite: finite ES
 shows finite (Subst-all ES Y yrhs)
proof -
 def eqns \equiv \{(X::lang, rhs) \mid X rhs. (X, rhs) \in ES\}
 def h \equiv \lambda(X::lang, rhs). (X, Subst rhs Y yrhs)
 have finite (h 'eqns) using finite h-def eqns-def by auto
 moreover
 have Subst-all ES Y yrhs = h 'eqns unfolding h-def eqns-def Subst-all-def by
auto
 ultimately
 show finite (Subst-all ES Y yrhs) by simp
\mathbf{lemma}\ \textit{Subst-all-keeps-finite-rhs}\colon
  \llbracket finite\text{-}rhs \ ES; \ finite \ yrhs \rrbracket \implies finite\text{-}rhs \ (Subst-all \ ES \ Y \ yrhs)
by (auto intro: Subst-keeps-finite-rhs simp add: Subst-all-def finite-rhs-def)
lemma append-rhs-keeps-cls:
```

```
rhss (append-rhs-rexp \ rhs \ r) = rhss \ rhs
apply (auto simp:rhss-def append-rhs-rexp-def)
apply (case-tac xa, auto simp:image-def)
by (rule-tac x = SEQ ra r in exI, rule-tac x = Trn x ra in bexI, simp+)
lemma Arden-removes-cl:
  rhss (Arden \ Y \ yrhs) = rhss \ yrhs - \{Y\}
apply (simp add:Arden-def append-rhs-keeps-cls)
by (auto simp:rhss-def)
lemma lhss-keeps-cls:
  lhss (Subst-all ES Y yrhs) = lhss ES
by (auto simp:lhss-def Subst-all-def)
lemma Subst-updates-cls:
  X \notin rhss \ xrhs \Longrightarrow
     rhss (Subst rhs X xrhs) = rhss rhs \cup rhss xrhs - \{X\}
apply (simp only:Subst-def append-rhs-keeps-cls rhss-union-distrib)
by (auto simp:rhss-def)
\mathbf{lemma}\ \mathit{Subst-all-keeps-valid-eqs}:
 assumes sc: valid\text{-}eqs (ES \cup \{(Y, yrhs)\})
                                                      (is valid-eqs ?A)
 shows valid-eqs (Subst-all ES Y (Arden Y yrhs)) (is valid-eqs ?B)
proof -
  { fix X xrhs'
   assume (X, xrhs') \in ?B
   then obtain xrhs
     where xrhs-xrhs': xrhs' = Subst\ xrhs\ Y\ (Arden\ Y\ yrhs)
     and X-in: (X, xrhs) \in ES by (simp\ add:Subst-all-def,\ blast)
   have rhss \ xrhs' \subseteq lhss \ ?B
   proof-
     have lhss ?B = lhss ES by (auto simp add:lhss-def Subst-all-def)
     moreover have rhss \ xrhs' \subseteq lhss \ ES
     proof-
      have rhss \ xrhs' \subseteq rhss \ xrhs \cup rhss \ (Arden \ Y \ yrhs) - \{Y\}
      proof-
        have Y \notin rhss (Arden Y yrhs)
          using Arden-removes-cl by simp
        thus ?thesis using xrhs-xrhs' by (auto simp:Subst-updates-cls)
      qed
      moreover have rhss \ xrhs \subseteq lhss \ ES \cup \{Y\} \ using \ X-in \ sc
        apply (simp only:valid-eqs-def lhss-union-distrib)
        by (drule-tac \ x = (X, xrhs) \ in \ bspec, \ auto \ simp:lhss-def)
      moreover have rhss (Arden \ Y \ yrhs) \subseteq lhss \ ES \cup \{Y\}
        using sc
        by (auto simp add:Arden-removes-cl valid-eqs-def lhss-def)
       ultimately show ?thesis by auto
     ged
     ultimately show ?thesis by simp
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```
} thus ?thesis by (auto simp only:Subst-all-def valid-eqs-def)
qed
lemma Subst-all-satisfies-invariant:
 assumes invariant-ES: invariant (ES \cup \{(Y, yrhs)\})
 shows invariant (Subst-all ES Y (Arden Y yrhs))
proof (rule invariantI)
 have Y-eq-yrhs: Y = L yrhs
   using invariant-ES by (simp only:invariant-def sound-eqs-def, blast)
  have finite-yrhs: finite yrhs
   using invariant-ES by (auto simp:invariant-def finite-rhs-def)
 have nonempty-yrhs: ardenable yrhs
   using invariant-ES by (auto simp:invariant-def ardenable-all-def)
 show sound-eqs (Subst-all ES Y (Arden Y yrhs))
 proof -
   have Y = L (Arden Y yrhs)
    using Y-eq-yrhs invariant-ES finite-yrhs
    using finite-Trn[OF finite-yrhs]
    apply(rule-tac\ Arden-keeps-eq)
    apply(simp-all)
    unfolding invariant-def ardenable-all-def ardenable-def
    apply(auto)
    done
   thus ?thesis using invariant-ES
    unfolding invariant-def finite-rhs-def2 sound-eqs-def Subst-all-def
    by (auto simp add: Subst-keeps-eq simp del: L-rhs.simps)
 ged
 show finite (Subst-all ES Y (Arden Y yrhs))
   using invariant-ES by (simp add:invariant-def Subst-all-keeps-finite)
 show distinct-equas (Subst-all ES Y (Arden Y yrhs))
   using invariant-ES
   unfolding distinct-equas-def Subst-all-def invariant-def by auto
 show ardenable-all (Subst-all ES Y (Arden Y yrhs))
 proof -
   { fix X rhs
    assume (X, rhs) \in ES
    hence ardenable rhs using prems invariant-ES
      by (auto simp add:invariant-def ardenable-all-def)
    with nonempty-yrhs
    have ardenable (Subst rhs \ Y \ (Arden \ Y \ yrhs))
      by (simp add:nonempty-yrhs
            Subst-keeps-nonempty\ Arden-keeps-nonempty)
   } thus ?thesis by (auto simp add:ardenable-all-def Subst-all-def)
 qed
 show finite-rhs (Subst-all ES Y (Arden Y yrhs))
 proof-
   have finite-rhs ES using invariant-ES
    by (simp add:invariant-def finite-rhs-def)
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```
moreover have finite (Arden Y yrhs)
   proof -
     have finite yrhs using invariant-ES
      by (auto simp:invariant-def finite-rhs-def)
     thus ?thesis using Arden-keeps-finite by simp
   qed
   ultimately show ?thesis
     by (simp add:Subst-all-keeps-finite-rhs)
 qed
 show valid-eqs (Subst-all ES Y (Arden Y yrhs))
   using invariant-ES Subst-all-keeps-valid-eqs by (simp add:invariant-def)
lemma Remove-in-card-measure:
 assumes finite: finite ES
          in-ES: (X, rhs) \in ES
 shows (Remove ES X rhs, ES) \in measure card
proof -
 \operatorname{\mathbf{def}} f \equiv \lambda \ x. \ ((fst \ x)::lang, \ Subst \ (snd \ x) \ X \ (Arden \ X \ rhs))
 \operatorname{def} ES' \equiv ES - \{(X, rhs)\}\
 have Subst-all ES' X (Arden X rhs) = f ' ES'
   apply (auto simp: Subst-all-def f-def image-def)
   by (rule-tac\ x = (Y,\ yrhs)\ in\ bexI,\ simp+)
 then have card (Subst-all ES' X (Arden X rhs)) \leq card ES'
   unfolding ES'-def using finite by (auto intro: card-image-le)
 also have ... < card ES unfolding ES'-def
   using in-ES finite by (rule-tac card-Diff1-less)
 finally show (Remove ES X rhs, ES) \in measure card
   unfolding Remove-def ES'-def by simp
qed
lemma Subst-all-cls-remains:
 (X, xrhs) \in ES \Longrightarrow \exists xrhs'. (X, xrhs') \in (Subst-all\ ES\ Y\ yrhs)
by (auto simp: Subst-all-def)
lemma card-noteq-1-has-more:
 assumes card: Cond ES
 and e-in: (X, xrhs) \in ES
 and finite: finite ES
 shows \exists (Y, yrhs) \in ES. (X, xrhs) \neq (Y, yrhs)
proof-
 have card ES > 1 using card e-in finite
   by (cases card ES) (auto)
 then have card\ (ES - \{(X, xrhs)\}) > 0
   using finite e-in by auto
 then have (ES - \{(X, xrhs)\}) \neq \{\} using finite by (rule-tac notI, simp)
 then show \exists (Y, yrhs) \in ES. (X, xrhs) \neq (Y, yrhs)
   by auto
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```
qed
```

```
\mathbf{lemma}\ iteration\text{-}step\text{-}measure\text{:}
 assumes Inv-ES: invariant ES
 and
        X-in-ES: (X, xrhs) \in ES
 and
         Cnd:
                 Cond ES
 shows (Iter X ES, ES) \in measure card
proof -
 have fin: finite ES using Inv-ES unfolding invariant-def by simp
 then obtain Y yrhs
   where Y-in-ES: (Y, yrhs) \in ES and not-eq: (X, xrhs) \neq (Y, yrhs)
   using Cnd X-in-ES by (drule-tac card-noteq-1-has-more) (auto)
 then have (Y, yrhs) \in ES \ X \neq Y
   using X-in-ES Inv-ES unfolding invariant-def distinct-equas-def
   by auto
 then show (Iter X ES, ES) \in measure card
 apply(rule IterI2)
 apply(rule Remove-in-card-measure)
 apply(simp-all add: fin)
 done
qed
lemma iteration-step-invariant:
 assumes Inv-ES: invariant ES
 and
        X-in-ES: (X, xrhs) \in ES
         Cnd: Cond ES
 and
 shows invariant (Iter X ES)
proof -
 have finite-ES: finite ES using Inv-ES by (simp add: invariant-def)
 then obtain Y yrhs
   where Y-in-ES: (Y, yrhs) \in ES and not-eq: (X, xrhs) \neq (Y, yrhs)
   using Cnd X-in-ES by (drule-tac card-noteq-1-has-more) (auto)
 then have (Y, yrhs) \in ES X \neq Y
   using X-in-ES Inv-ES unfolding invariant-def distinct-equas-def
   by auto
 then show invariant (Iter X ES)
 proof(rule IterI2)
   \mathbf{fix} \ Y \ yrhs
   assume h: (Y, yrhs) \in ES X \neq Y
   then have ES - \{(Y, yrhs)\} \cup \{(Y, yrhs)\} = ES by auto
   then show invariant (Remove ES Y yrhs) unfolding Remove-def
    using Inv-ES
    thm Subst-all-satisfies-invariant
    by (rule-tac\ Subst-all-satisfies-invariant)\ (simp)
 qed
qed
lemma iteration-step-ex:
 assumes Inv-ES: invariant ES
```

```
X-in-ES: (X, xrhs) \in ES
 and
 and
         Cnd: Cond ES
 shows \exists xrhs'. (X, xrhs') \in (Iter X ES)
proof -
 have finite-ES: finite ES using Inv-ES by (simp add: invariant-def)
 then obtain Y yrhs
   where Y-in-ES: (Y, yrhs) \in ES and not-eq: (X, xrhs) \neq (Y, yrhs)
   using Cnd X-in-ES by (drule-tac card-noteq-1-has-more) (auto)
 then have (Y, yrhs) \in ES \ X \neq Y
   using X-in-ES Inv-ES unfolding invariant-def distinct-equas-def
   by auto
 then show \exists xrhs'. (X, xrhs') \in (Iter X ES)
 apply(rule IterI2)
 unfolding Remove-def
 apply(rule Subst-all-cls-remains)
 using X-in-ES
 apply(auto)
 done
qed
11.1.4 Conclusion of the proof
lemma Solve:
 assumes fin: finite (UNIV //\approx A)
 and
          X-in: X \in (UNIV // \approx A)
 shows \exists rhs. Solve X (Init (UNIV // \approx A)) = \{(X, rhs)\} \land invariant \{(X, rhs)\}
proof -
 def Inv \equiv \lambda ES. invariant\ ES \land (\exists rhs.\ (X,\ rhs) \in ES)
 have Inv (Init (UNIV // \approx A)) unfolding Inv-def
    using fin X-in by (simp add: Init-ES-satisfies-invariant, simp add: Init-def)
 moreover
 \{ \text{ fix } ES \}
   assume inv: Inv ES and crd: Cond ES
   then have Inv (Iter X ES)
     unfolding Inv-def
     by (auto simp add: iteration-step-invariant iteration-step-ex) }
 moreover
 { fix ES
   assume inv: Inv ES and not-crd: \neg Cond ES
   from inv obtain rhs where (X, rhs) \in ES unfolding Inv-def by auto
   moreover
   from not-crd have card ES = 1 by simp
   ultimately
   have ES = \{(X, rhs)\} by (auto simp add: card-Suc-eq)
   then have \exists rhs'. ES = \{(X, rhs')\} \land invariant \{(X, rhs')\} using inv
     unfolding Inv-def by auto }
```

moreover

moreover

have wf (measure card) by simp

```
\{ \mathbf{fix} \ ES \}
   assume inv: Inv ES and crd: Cond ES
   then have (Iter\ X\ ES,\ ES)\in measure\ card
     unfolding Inv-def
     apply(clarify)
     apply(rule-tac iteration-step-measure)
     apply(auto)
     done }
 ultimately
 show \exists rhs. Solve X (Init (UNIV // \approx A)) = \{(X, rhs)\} \land invariant \{(X, rhs)\}
   unfolding Solve-def by (rule while-rule)
qed
lemma every-eqcl-has-reg:
 assumes finite-CS: finite (UNIV //\approx A)
 and X-in-CS: X \in (UNIV // \approx A)
 shows \exists r :: rexp. X = L r
proof -
  from finite-CS X-in-CS
 obtain xrhs where Inv-ES: invariant \{(X, xrhs)\}
   using Solve by metis
 \mathbf{def}\ A \equiv Arden\ X\ xrhs
 have rhss \ xrhs \subseteq \{X\} \ \mathbf{using} \ \mathit{Inv-ES}
   unfolding valid-eqs-def invariant-def rhss-def lhss-def
  then have rhss A = \{\} unfolding A-def
   by (simp add: Arden-removes-cl)
  then have eq: \{Lam \ r \mid r. \ Lam \ r \in A\} = A \ unfolding \ rhss-def
   by (auto, case-tac x, auto)
 have finite A using Inv-ES unfolding A-def invariant-def finite-rhs-def
   using Arden-keeps-finite by auto
  then have fin: finite \{r. \ Lam \ r \in A\} by (rule finite-Lam)
 have X = L \ xrhs \ using \ Inv-ES \ unfolding \ invariant-def \ sound-eqs-def
   by simp
  then have X = L A using Inv-ES
   unfolding A-def invariant-def ardenable-all-def finite-rhs-def
   by (rule-tac Arden-keeps-eq) (simp-all add: finite-Trn)
  then have X = L \{Lam \ r \mid r. \ Lam \ r \in A\} using eq by simp
  then have X = L(\{ \} \{ r. \ Lam \ r \in A \}) using fin by auto
  then show \exists r :: rexp. X = L r by blast
qed
lemma bchoice-finite-set:
 assumes a: \forall x \in S. \exists y. x = f y
 and
          b: finite S
```

```
shows \exists ys. (\bigcup S) = \bigcup (f 'ys) \land finite ys
using bchoice[OF\ a]\ b
apply(erule-tac exE)
apply(rule-tac \ x=fa \ `S \ in \ exI)
apply(auto)
done
theorem Myhill-Nerode1:
 assumes finite-CS: finite (UNIV // \approx A)
 shows \exists r :: rexp. A = L r
proof -
 have fin: finite (finals A)
   using finals-in-partitions finite-CS by (rule finite-subset)
 have \forall X \in (UNIV // \approx A). \exists r :: rexp. X = L r
   using finite-CS every-eqcl-has-reg by blast
 then have a: \forall X \in finals A. \exists r::rexp. X = L r
   using finals-in-partitions by auto
 then obtain rs::rexp\ set\ where\ \bigcup\ (finals\ A)=\bigcup(L\ `rs)\ finite\ rs
   using fin by (auto dest: bchoice-finite-set)
  then have A = L(+|rs|)
   unfolding lang-is-union-of-finals[symmetric] by simp
  then show \exists r :: rexp. \ A = L \ r \ by \ blast
qed
```

end

## 12 List prefixes and postfixes

theory List-Prefix imports List Main begin

#### 12.1 Prefix order on lists

```
instantiation list :: (type) {order, bot}
begin
definition
prefix-def: xs \le ys \longleftrightarrow (\exists zs.\ ys = xs @ zs)
definition
strict-prefix-def: xs < ys \longleftrightarrow xs \le ys \land xs \ne (ys::'a\ list)
definition
bot = []
instance proof
qed (auto simp add: prefix-def strict-prefix-def bot-list-def)
```

```
end
```

```
lemma prefixI [intro?]: ys = xs @ zs ==> xs \le ys
 unfolding prefix-def by blast
lemma prefixE [elim?]:
 assumes xs \leq ys
 obtains zs where ys = xs @ zs
 using assms unfolding prefix-def by blast
lemma strict-prefixI' [intro?]: ys = xs @ z \# zs ==> xs < ys
 unfolding strict-prefix-def prefix-def by blast
lemma strict-prefixE' [elim?]:
 assumes xs < ys
 obtains z zs where ys = xs @ z \# zs
proof -
 from \langle xs < ys \rangle obtain us where ys = xs @ us and xs \neq ys
   unfolding strict-prefix-def prefix-def by blast
 with that show ?thesis by (auto simp add: neq-Nil-conv)
\mathbf{qed}
lemma strict-prefixI [intro?]: xs \le ys ==> xs \ne ys ==> xs < (ys::'a list)
 unfolding strict-prefix-def by blast
lemma strict-prefixE [elim?]:
 fixes xs ys :: 'a list
 assumes xs < ys
 obtains xs \leq ys and xs \neq ys
 using assms unfolding strict-prefix-def by blast
12.2
        Basic properties of prefixes
theorem Nil-prefix [iff]: [] \leq xs
 by (simp add: prefix-def)
theorem prefix-Nil [simp]: (xs \leq []) = (xs = [])
 by (induct xs) (simp-all add: prefix-def)
lemma prefix-snoc [simp]: (xs \le ys @ [y]) = (xs = ys @ [y] \lor xs \le ys)
proof
 assume xs \leq ys @ [y]
 then obtain zs where zs: ys @[y] = xs @ zs..
 \mathbf{show} \ xs = ys \ @ \ [y] \lor xs \le ys
   by (metis append-Nil2 butlast-append butlast-snoc prefixI zs)
\mathbf{next}
 assume xs = ys @ [y] \lor xs \le ys
 then show xs \leq ys @ [y]
```

```
by (metis order-eq-iff strict-prefixE strict-prefixI' xt1(7))
qed
lemma Cons-prefix-Cons [simp]: (x \# xs \le y \# ys) = (x = y \land xs \le ys)
 by (auto simp add: prefix-def)
lemma less-eq-list-code [code]:
  ([]::'a::\{equal, ord\} \ list) \leq xs \longleftrightarrow True
  (x::'a::\{equal, ord\}) \# xs \leq [] \longleftrightarrow False
  (x::'a::\{equal, ord\}) \# xs \leq y \# ys \longleftrightarrow x = y \land xs \leq ys
 by simp-all
lemma same-prefix-prefix [simp]: (xs @ ys \le xs @ zs) = (ys \le zs)
 by (induct xs) simp-all
lemma same-prefix-nil [iff]: (xs @ ys < xs) = (ys = [])
 by (metis append-Nil2 append-self-conv order-eq-iff prefixI)
lemma prefix-prefix [simp]: xs \le ys ==> xs \le ys @ zs
 by (metis order-le-less-trans prefixI strict-prefixE strict-prefixI)
lemma append-prefixD: xs @ ys \le zs \Longrightarrow xs \le zs
 by (auto simp add: prefix-def)
theorem prefix-Cons: (xs \le y \# ys) = (xs = [] \lor (\exists zs. \ xs = y \# zs \land zs \le ys))
 by (cases xs) (auto simp add: prefix-def)
theorem prefix-append:
  (xs \le ys @ zs) = (xs \le ys \lor (\exists us. xs = ys @ us \land us \le zs))
 apply (induct zs rule: rev-induct)
  apply force
 apply (simp del: append-assoc add: append-assoc [symmetric])
 apply (metis\ append-eq-appendI)
 done
lemma append-one-prefix:
 xs \le ys ==> length \ xs < length \ ys ==> xs @ [ys ! length \ xs] \le ys
 unfolding prefix-def
 by (metis Cons-eq-appendI append-eq-appendI append-eq-conv-conj
    eq-Nil-appendI nth-drop')
theorem prefix-length-le: xs \le ys ==> length \ xs \le length \ ys
 by (auto simp add: prefix-def)
lemma prefix-same-cases:
  (xs_1::'a\ list) \le ys \Longrightarrow xs_2 \le ys \Longrightarrow xs_1 \le xs_2 \lor xs_2 \le xs_1
  unfolding prefix-def by (metis append-eq-append-conv2)
lemma set-mono-prefix: xs \leq ys \Longrightarrow set \ xs \subseteq set \ ys
```

```
by (auto simp add: prefix-def)
lemma take-is-prefix: take \ n \ xs \le xs
 unfolding prefix-def by (metis append-take-drop-id)
lemma map-prefixI: xs \leq ys \Longrightarrow map \ f \ xs \leq map \ f \ ys
 by (auto simp: prefix-def)
lemma prefix-length-less: xs < ys \implies length \ xs < length \ ys
 by (auto simp: strict-prefix-def prefix-def)
lemma strict-prefix-simps [simp, code]:
 xs < [] \longleftrightarrow False
 [] < x \# xs \longleftrightarrow True
 x \# xs < y \# ys \longleftrightarrow x = y \land xs < ys
 by (simp-all add: strict-prefix-def conq: conj-conq)
lemma take-strict-prefix: xs < ys \implies take \ n \ xs < ys
 apply (induct n arbitrary: xs ys)
  apply (case-tac\ ys,\ simp-all)[1]
 apply (metis order-less-trans strict-prefixI take-is-prefix)
 done
lemma not-prefix-cases:
 assumes pfx: \neg ps \leq ls
 obtains
   (c1) ps \neq [] and ls = []
  (c2) a as x xs where ps = a\#as and ls = x\#xs and x = a and \neg as \leq xs
 |(c3)| a as x xs where ps = a\#as and ls = x\#xs and x \neq a
proof (cases ps)
 case Nil then show ?thesis using pfx by simp
 case (Cons a as)
 note c = \langle ps = a \# as \rangle
 show ?thesis
 proof (cases ls)
   case Nil then show ?thesis by (metis append-Nil2 pfx c1 same-prefix-nil)
 next
   case (Cons \ x \ xs)
   show ?thesis
   proof (cases x = a)
     case True
     have \neg as \leq xs using pfx c Cons True by simp
     with c Cons True show ?thesis by (rule c2)
   next
     {f case}\ {\it False}
     with c Cons show ?thesis by (rule c3)
   qed
 qed
```

```
qed
```

```
assumes np: \neg ps \leq ls
   and base: \bigwedge x \ xs. \ P \ (x \# xs) \ []
   and r1: \bigwedge x \ xs \ y \ ys. \ x \neq y \Longrightarrow P(x \# xs) (y \# ys)
   and r2: \bigwedge x \ xs \ y \ ys. \ \llbracket \ x = y; \ \neg \ xs \le ys; \ P \ xs \ ys \ \rrbracket \Longrightarrow P \ (x\#xs) \ (y\#ys)
  shows P ps ls using np
proof (induct ls arbitrary: ps)
  case Nil then show ?case
   by (auto simp: neq-Nil-conv elim!: not-prefix-cases intro!: base)
  case (Cons y ys)
  then have npfx: \neg ps \leq (y \# ys) by simp
  then obtain x xs where pv: ps = x \# xs
   by (rule not-prefix-cases) auto
 show ?case by (metis Cons.hyps Cons-prefix-Cons npfx pv r1 r2)
qed
12.3
         Parallel lists
definition
 parallel :: 'a \ list => 'a \ list => bool \ (infixl \parallel 50) \ where
  (\mathit{xs} \parallel \mathit{ys}) = (\neg \; \mathit{xs} \leq \mathit{ys} \; \land \; \neg \; \mathit{ys} \leq \mathit{xs})
lemma parallelI [intro]: \neg xs \le ys ==> \neg ys \le xs ==> xs \parallel ys
  unfolding parallel-def by blast
lemma parallelE [elim]:
  assumes xs \parallel ys
  obtains \neg xs \leq ys \land \neg ys \leq xs
  using assms unfolding parallel-def by blast
theorem prefix-cases:
  obtains xs \leq ys \mid ys < xs \mid xs \parallel ys
  unfolding parallel-def strict-prefix-def by blast
theorem parallel-decomp:
  xs \parallel ys ==> \exists as b bs c cs. b \neq c \land xs = as @ b \# bs \land ys = as @ c \# cs
proof (induct xs rule: rev-induct)
  case Nil
  then have False by auto
  then show ?case ..
next
  case (snoc \ x \ xs)
  show ?case
  proof (rule prefix-cases)
   assume le: xs \leq ys
   then obtain ys' where ys: ys = xs @ ys'...
```

**lemma** not-prefix-induct [consumes 1, case-names Nil Neq Eq]:

```
show ?thesis
   proof (cases ys')
     assume ys' = []
     then show ?thesis by (metis append-Nil2 parallelE prefixI snoc.prems ys)
     fix c cs assume ys': ys' = c \# cs
     then show ?thesis
      by (metis Cons-eq-appendI eq-Nil-appendI parallelE prefixI
        same-prefix-prefix snoc.prems ys)
   qed
 next
   assume ys < xs then have ys \le xs @ [x] by (simp \ add: strict-prefix-def)
   with snoc have False by blast
   then show ?thesis ..
 next
   assume xs \parallel ys
   with snoc obtain as b bs c cs where neg: (b::'a) \neq c
     and xs: xs = as @ b \# bs and ys: ys = as @ c \# cs
   from xs have xs @ [x] = as @ b \# (bs @ [x]) by simp
   with neq ys show ?thesis by blast
 qed
qed
lemma parallel-append: a \parallel b \Longrightarrow a @ c \parallel b @ d
 apply (rule parallelI)
   apply (erule parallelE, erule conjE,
     induct rule: not-prefix-induct, simp+)+
 done
lemma parallel-appendI: xs \parallel ys \Longrightarrow x = xs @ xs' \Longrightarrow y = ys @ ys' \Longrightarrow x \parallel y
 by (simp add: parallel-append)
lemma parallel-commute: a \parallel b \longleftrightarrow b \parallel a
 unfolding parallel-def by auto
12.4
        Postfix order on lists
definition
 postfix :: 'a \ list => 'a \ list => bool \ ((-/>>= -) \ [51, 50] \ 50) \ where
 (xs \gg ys) = (\exists zs. \ xs = zs \ @ \ ys)
lemma postfixI [intro?]: xs = zs @ ys ==> xs >>= ys
 unfolding postfix-def by blast
lemma postfixE [elim?]:
 assumes xs >>= ys
 obtains zs where xs = zs @ ys
 using assms unfolding postfix-def by blast
```

```
lemma postfix-refl [iff]: xs >>= xs
 by (auto simp add: postfix-def)
lemma postfix-trans: [xs >>= ys; ys >>= zs] \implies xs >>= zs
 by (auto simp add: postfix-def)
lemma postfix-antisym: [xs >>= ys; ys >>= xs] \implies xs = ys
 by (auto simp add: postfix-def)
lemma Nil-postfix [iff]: xs >>= []
 by (simp add: postfix-def)
lemma postfix-Nil [simp]: ([] >>= xs) = (xs = [])
 by (auto simp add: postfix-def)
lemma postfix-ConsI: xs >>= ys \implies x\#xs >>= ys
 by (auto simp add: postfix-def)
lemma postfix-ConsD: xs >>= y \# ys \Longrightarrow xs >>= ys
 by (auto simp add: postfix-def)
lemma postfix-appendI: xs >>= ys \implies zs @ xs >>= ys
 by (auto simp add: postfix-def)
lemma postfix-appendD: xs >>= zs @ ys \Longrightarrow xs >>= ys
 by (auto simp add: postfix-def)
lemma postfix-is-subset: xs >>= ys ==> set ys \subseteq set xs
proof -
 assume xs >>= ys
 then obtain zs where xs = zs @ ys...
 then show ?thesis by (induct zs) auto
qed
lemma postfix-ConsD2: x\#xs >>= y\#ys ==> xs >>= ys
proof -
 assume x \# xs >>= y \# ys
 then obtain zs where x\#xs = zs @ y\#ys..
 then show ?thesis
   by (induct zs) (auto intro!: postfix-appendI postfix-ConsI)
qed
lemma postfix-to-prefix [code]: xs >>= ys \longleftrightarrow rev \ ys \le rev \ xs
proof
 assume xs >>= ys
 then obtain zs where xs = zs @ ys..
 then have rev xs = rev ys @ rev zs by simp
 then show rev ys \le rev xs ...
\mathbf{next}
 assume rev ys <= rev xs
 then obtain zs where rev xs = rev ys @ zs ...
 then have rev(rev xs) = rev zs @ rev(rev ys) by simp
 then have xs = rev zs @ ys by simp
```

```
then show xs >>= ys ..
qed
lemma distinct-postfix: distinct xs \implies xs >>= ys \implies distinct ys
 by (clarsimp elim!: postfixE)
lemma postfix-map: xs >>= ys \implies map \ f \ xs >>= map \ f \ ys
 by (auto elim!: postfixE intro: postfixI)
lemma postfix-drop: as >>= drop \ n \ as
  unfolding postfix-def
  apply (rule exI [where x = take \ n \ as])
  apply simp
  done
lemma postfix-take: xs >>= ys \implies xs = take (length <math>xs - length ys) xs @ ys
 by (clarsimp elim!: postfixE)
lemma parallelD1: x \parallel y \Longrightarrow \neg x \leq y
 by blast
lemma parallelD2: x \parallel y \Longrightarrow \neg y \leq x
 by blast
lemma parallel-Nil1 [simp]: \neg x \parallel [
  \mathbf{unfolding} \ \mathit{parallel-def} \ \mathbf{by} \ \mathit{simp}
lemma parallel-Nil2 [simp]: \neg [] \parallel x
  unfolding parallel-def by simp
lemma Cons-parallelI1: a \neq b \implies a \# as \parallel b \# bs
 by auto
lemma Cons-parallelI2: [a = b; as \parallel bs] \implies a \# as \parallel b \# bs
 by (metis Cons-prefix-Cons parallelE parallelI)
\mathbf{lemma}\ not\text{-}equal\text{-}is\text{-}parallel\text{:}
  assumes neq: xs \neq ys
   and len: length xs = length ys
 shows xs \parallel ys
  using len neq
proof (induct rule: list-induct2)
  case Nil
  then show ?case by simp
next
  case (Cons \ a \ as \ b \ bs)
  have ih: as \neq bs \Longrightarrow as \parallel bs by fact
  show ?case
 proof (cases \ a = b)
```

```
case True
then have as \neq bs using Cons by simp
then show ?thesis by (rule Cons-parallelI2 [OF True ih])
next
case False
then show ?thesis by (rule Cons-parallelI1)
qed
qed
end
theory Prefix-subtract
imports Main List-Prefix
begin
```

## 13 A small theory of prefix subtraction

The notion of *prefix-subtract* is need to make proofs more readable.

```
fun prefix-subtract :: 'a list \Rightarrow 'a list \Rightarrow 'a list (infix -51)
where
 prefix-subtract [] xs
| prefix\text{-subtract } (x\#xs) | = x\#xs
| prefix-subtract (x\#x) (y\#ys) = (if x = y then prefix-subtract xs ys else <math>(x\#xs))
lemma [simp]: (x @ y) - x = y
apply (induct \ x)
by (case-tac\ y,\ simp+)
lemma [simp]: x - x = []
by (induct \ x, \ auto)
lemma [simp]: x = xa @ y \Longrightarrow x - xa = y
by (induct \ x, \ auto)
lemma [simp]: x - [] = x
by (induct \ x, \ auto)
lemma [simp]: (x - y = []) \Longrightarrow (x \le y)
proof-
 have \exists xa. \ x = xa @ (x - y) \land xa \leq y
   apply (rule prefix-subtract.induct[of - xy], simp+)
   by (clarsimp, rule-tac x = y \# xa \text{ in } exI, simp+)
 thus (x - y = []) \Longrightarrow (x \le y) by simp
qed
lemma diff-prefix:
 [c \le a - b; b \le a] \implies b @ c \le a
by (auto elim:prefixE)
```

```
lemma diff-diff-appd:
 \llbracket c < a - b; b < a \rrbracket \Longrightarrow (a - b) - c = a - (b @ c)
apply (clarsimp simp:strict-prefix-def)
by (drule diff-prefix, auto elim:prefixE)
lemma app-eq-cases[rule-format]:
 \forall x . x @ y = m @ n \longrightarrow (x \leq m \vee m \leq x)
apply (induct\ y,\ simp)
apply (clarify, drule-tac x = x @ [a] in spec)
by (clarsimp, auto simp:prefix-def)
lemma app-eq-dest:
 x @ y = m @ n \Longrightarrow
             (x \le m \land (m-x) @ n = y) \lor (m \le x \land (x-m) @ y = n)
by (frule-tac app-eq-cases, auto elim:prefixE)
end
theory Myhill-2
 imports Myhill-1 List-Prefix Prefix-subtract
begin
```

## 14 Direction regular language $\Rightarrow$ finite partition

### 14.1 The scheme

The following convenient notation  $x \approx A y$  means: string x and y are equivalent with respect to language A.

```
definition
```

```
str\text{-}eq :: string \Rightarrow lang \Rightarrow string \Rightarrow bool (- \approx -)

where

x \approx A \ y \equiv (x, y) \in (\approx A)
```

The main lemma (rexp-imp-finite) is proved by a structural induction over regular expressions. where base cases (cases for NULL, EMPTY, CHAR) are quite straightforward to proof. Real difficulty lies in inductive cases. By inductive hypothesis, languages defined by sub-expressions induce finite partitions. Under such hypothesis, we need to prove that the language defined by the composite regular expression gives rise to finite partion. The basic idea is to attach a tag tag(x) to every string x. The tagging fuction tag is carefully devised, which returns tags made of equivalent classes of the partitions induced by subexpressoins, and therefore has a finite range. Let Lang be the composite language, it is proved that:

If strings with the same tag are equivalent with respect to Lang,

expressed as:

$$tag(x) = tag(y) \Longrightarrow x \approx Lang y$$

then the partition induced by Lang must be finite.

There are two arguments for this. The first goes as the following:

- 1. First, the tagging function tag induces an equivalent relation (=tag=) (definition of f-eq-rel and lemma equiv-f-eq-rel).
- 2. It is shown that: if the range of tag (denoted range(tag)) is finite, the partition given rise by (=tag=) is finite (lemma finite-eq-f-rel). Since tags are made from equivalent classes from component partitions, and the inductive hypothesis ensures the finiteness of these partitions, it is not difficult to prove the finiteness of range(tag).
- 3. It is proved that if equivalent relation R1 is more refined than R2 (expressed as  $R1 \subseteq R2$ ), and the partition induced by R1 is finite, then the partition induced by R2 is finite as well (lemma refined-partition-finite).
- 4. The injectivity assumption  $tag(x) = tag(y) \Longrightarrow x \approx Lang y$  implies that (=tag=) is more refined than  $(\approx Lang)$ .
- 5. Combining the points above, we have: the partition induced by language Lang is finite (lemma tag-finite-imageD).

```
definition
  f-eq-rel (=-=)
where
  =f = \{(x, y) \mid x y. f x = f y\}
lemma equiv-f-eq-rel:equiv UNIV (=f=)
 by (auto simp:equiv-def f-eq-rel-def refl-on-def sym-def trans-def)
lemma finite-range-image:
 assumes finite\ (range\ f)
 shows finite (f 'A)
 using assms unfolding image-def
 by (rule-tac finite-subset) (auto)
lemma finite-eq-f-rel:
 assumes rng-fnt: finite (range tag)
 shows finite (UNIV // = tag =)
proof -
 let ?f = op 'tag  and ?A = (UNIV // =tag =)
 show ?thesis
 proof (rule-tac f = ?f and A = ?A in finite-imageD)
   — The finiteness of f-image is a simple consequence of assumption rng-fnt:
```

```
show finite (?f `?A)
   proof -
     have \forall X. ?f X \in (Pow (range tag)) by (auto simp:image-def Pow-def)
     moreover from rng-fnt have finite (Pow (range tag)) by simp
     ultimately have finite (range ?f)
      by (auto simp only:image-def intro:finite-subset)
     from finite-range-image [OF\ this] show ?thesis .
   qed
 next
    — The injectivity of f-image is a consequence of the definition of (=tag=):
   show inj-on ?f ?A
   proof-
     \{ \mathbf{fix} \ X \ Y \}
      assume X-in: X \in ?A
        and Y-in: Y \in ?A
        and tag-eq: ?f X = ?f Y
      have X = Y
      proof -
        from X-in Y-in tag-eq
        obtain x y
          where x-in: x \in X and y-in: y \in Y and eq-tg: tag x = tag y
          unfolding quotient-def Image-def str-eq-rel-def
                              str-eq-def image-def f-eq-rel-def
          apply simp by blast
        with X-in Y-in show ?thesis
          by (auto simp:quotient-def str-eq-rel-def str-eq-def f-eq-rel-def)
     } thus ?thesis unfolding inj-on-def by auto
   qed
 qed
qed
lemma finite-image-finite:
 [\![ \forall x \in A. \ f \ x \in B; \ finite \ B ]\!] \Longrightarrow finite \ (f `A)
 by (rule finite-subset [of - B], auto)
lemma refined-partition-finite:
 fixes R1 R2 A
 assumes fnt: finite (A // R1)
 and refined: R1 \subseteq R2
 and eq1: equiv A R1 and eq2: equiv A R2
 shows finite (A // R2)
proof -
 let ?f = \lambda X. \{R1 \text{ `` } \{x\} \mid x. x \in X\}
   and ?A = (A // R2) and ?B = (A // R1)
 show ?thesis
  \operatorname{proof}(rule\text{-}tac\ f = ?f \ \text{and} \ A = ?A \ \text{in} \ finite\text{-}imageD)
   show finite (?f \cdot ?A)
   proof(rule finite-subset [of - Pow ?B])
```

```
from fnt show finite (Pow (A // R1)) by simp
   next
    from eq2
    show ?f \cdot A // R2 \subseteq Pow ?B
      unfolding image-def Pow-def quotient-def
      apply auto
      by (rule-tac x = xb in bexI, simp,
              unfold equiv-def sym-def refl-on-def, blast)
   qed
 next
   show inj-on ?f ?A
   proof -
    \{ \mathbf{fix} \ X \ Y \}
      assume X-in: X \in ?A and Y-in: Y \in ?A
        and eq-f: ?f X = ?f Y (is ?L = ?R)
      have X = Y using X-in
      proof(rule quotientE)
        \mathbf{fix} \ x
        assume X = R2 " \{x\} and x \in A with eq2
        have x-in: x \in X
         unfolding equiv-def quotient-def refl-on-def by auto
        with eq-f have R1 " \{x\} \in ?R by auto
        then obtain y where
         y-in: y \in Y and eq-r: R1 " \{x\} = R1 " \{y\} by auto
        have (x, y) \in R1
        proof -
         from x-in X-in y-in Y-in eq2
         have x \in A and y \in A
           unfolding equiv-def quotient-def refl-on-def by auto
         from eq-equiv-class-iff [OF\ eq1\ this] and eq-r
         show ?thesis by simp
        qed
        with refined have xy-r2:(x, y) \in R2 by auto
        from quotient-eqI [OF eq2 X-in Y-in x-in y-in this]
        show ?thesis.
      qed
    } thus ?thesis by (auto simp:inj-on-def)
   qed
 qed
qed
lemma equiv-lang-eq: equiv UNIV (\approx Lang)
 unfolding equiv-def str-eq-rel-def sym-def refl-on-def trans-def
 by blast
lemma tag-finite-imageD:
 fixes tag
 assumes rng-fnt: finite (range tag)
 — Suppose the rang of tagging function tag is finite.
```

```
and same-tag-eqvt: \bigwedge m n. tag m = tag (n::string) \Longrightarrow m \approx Lang n

    And strings with same tag are equivalent

 shows finite (UNIV // (\approx Lang))
proof -
  let ?R1 = (=taq=)
  show ?thesis
  \mathbf{proof}(\mathit{rule\text{-}tac\ refined\text{-}partition\text{-}finite\ [of\ -\ ?R1]})
   from finite-eq-f-rel [OF rng-fnt]
    show finite (UNIV // = tag = ).
  \mathbf{next}
    from same-tag-eqvt
    show (=tag=) \subseteq (\approx Lang)
      by (auto simp:f-eq-rel-def str-eq-def)
   \mathbf{next}
    from equiv-f-eq-rel
    show equiv UNIV (=taq=) by blast
    from equiv-lang-eq
    show equiv UNIV (\approx Lang) by blast
 qed
qed
```

A more concise, but less intelligible argument for tag-finite-imageD is given as the following. The basic idea is still using standard library lemma finite-imageD:

$$\llbracket finite\ (f\ `A);\ inj\text{-on}\ f\ A \rrbracket \Longrightarrow finite\ A$$

which says: if the image of injective function f over set A is finite, then A must be finte, as we did in the lemmas above.

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lemma
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```
fixes tag
 assumes rnq-fnt: finite (range taq)
   – Suppose the rang of tagging function tag is finite.
 and same-tag-eqvt: \bigwedge m n. tag m = tag (n::string) \Longrightarrow m \approx Lang n

    And strings with same tag are equivalent

 shows finite (UNIV // (\approxLang))
  — Then the partition generated by (\approx Lang) is finite.
proof -
  — The particular f and A used in finite-image D are:
 let ?f = op 'tag  and ?A = (UNIV // \approx Lang)
 show ?thesis
 proof (rule-tac f = ?f and A = ?A in finite-imageD)
      The finiteness of f-image is a simple consequence of assumption rng-fnt:
   show finite (?f '?A)
   proof -
     have \forall X. ?f X \in (Pow (range tag)) by (auto simp:image-def Pow-def)
     moreover from rng-fnt have finite (Pow (range tag)) by simp
     ultimately have finite (range ?f)
      by (auto simp only:image-def intro:finite-subset)
```

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from finite-range-image [OF this] show ?thesis.
   qed
  next
      The injectivity of f is the consequence of assumption same-tag-eqvt:
   show inj-on ?f ?A
   proof-
     \{ \mathbf{fix} \ X \ Y \}
       assume X-in: X \in ?A
         and Y-in: Y \in A
         and tag-eq: ?f X = ?f Y
       have X = Y
       proof -
         from X-in Y-in tag-eq
        obtain x y where x-in: x \in X and y-in: y \in Y and eq-tg: tag x = tag y
           {\bf unfolding} \ quotient\text{-}def \ Image\text{-}def \ str\text{-}eq\text{-}rel\text{-}def \ str\text{-}eq\text{-}def \ image\text{-}def
           apply simp by blast
         from same-tag-eqvt [OF eq-tq] have x \approx Lanq y.
         with X-in Y-in x-in y-in
         show ?thesis by (auto simp:quotient-def str-eq-rel-def str-eq-def)
     } thus ?thesis unfolding inj-on-def by auto
   qed
  qed
qed
```

## 14.2 The proof

Each case is given in a separate section, as well as the final main lemma. Detailed explainations accompanied by illustrations are given for non-trivial cases.

For ever inductive case, there are two tasks, the easier one is to show the range finiteness of of the tagging function based on the finiteness of component partitions, the difficult one is to show that strings with the same tag are equivalent with respect to the composite language. Suppose the composite language be *Lang*, tagging function be *tag*, it amounts to show:

$$tag(x) = tag(y) \Longrightarrow x \approx Lang y$$

expanding the definition of  $\approx Lang$ , it amounts to show:

$$tag(x) = tag(y) \Longrightarrow (\forall z. \ x@z \in Lang \longleftrightarrow y@z \in Lang)$$

Because the assumed tag equlity tag(x) = tag(y) is symmetric, it is sufficient to show just one direction:

$$\bigwedge x y z. \llbracket tag(x) = tag(y); x@z \in Lang \rrbracket \Longrightarrow y@z \in Lang$$

This is the pattern followed by every inductive case.

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14.2.1 The base case for NULL
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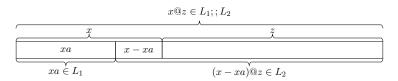
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lemma quot-null-eq:
 shows (UNIV // \approx \{\}) = (\{UNIV\}::lang\ set)
 unfolding quotient-def Image-def str-eq-rel-def by auto
lemma quot-null-finiteI [intro]:
 shows finite ((UNIV // \approx \{\})::lang\ set)
unfolding quot-null-eq by simp
14.2.2
           The base case for EMPTY
\mathbf{lemma}\ \mathit{quot-empty-subset}\colon
  UNIV // (\approx \{[]\}) \subseteq \{\{[]\}, UNIV - \{[]\}\}
proof
 \mathbf{fix} \ x
 assume x \in UNIV // \approx \{[]\}
 then obtain y where h: x = \{z. (y, z) \in \approx \{[]\}\}
   unfolding quotient-def Image-def by blast
 show x \in \{\{[]\}, UNIV - \{[]\}\}
 proof (cases \ y = [])
   case True with h
   have x = \{[]\} by (auto simp: str-eq-rel-def)
   thus ?thesis by simp
  next
   case False with h
   have x = UNIV - \{[]\} by (auto simp: str-eq-rel-def)
   thus ?thesis by simp
 qed
qed
lemma quot-empty-finiteI [intro]:
 shows finite (UNIV // (\approx{[]}))
by (rule finite-subset[OF quot-empty-subset]) (simp)
14.2.3
          The base case for CHAR
lemma quot-char-subset:
  UNIV // (\approx \{[c]\}) \subseteq \{\{[]\}, \{[c]\}, UNIV - \{[], [c]\}\}
proof
 \mathbf{fix} \ x
 assume x \in UNIV // \approx \{[c]\}
 then obtain y where h: x = \{z. (y, z) \in \approx \{[c]\}\}\
   unfolding quotient-def Image-def by blast
 show x \in \{\{[]\}, \{[c]\}, UNIV - \{[], [c]\}\}
 proof -
   { assume y = [] hence x = \{[]\} using h
      by (auto simp:str-eq-rel-def)
   } moreover {
     assume y = [c] hence x = \{[c]\} using h
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by (auto dest!:spec[where x = []] simp:str-eq-rel-def)
    } moreover {
     assume y \neq [] and y \neq [c]
     hence \forall z. (y @ z) \neq [c] by (case-tac y, auto)
     \mathbf{moreover} \ \mathbf{have} \ \bigwedge \ p. \ (p \neq [] \ \land \ p \neq [c]) = (\forall \ q. \ p @ \ q \neq [c])
       by (case-tac \ p, \ auto)
     ultimately have x = UNIV - \{[], [c]\} using h
       by (auto simp add:str-eq-rel-def)
    } ultimately show ?thesis by blast
  \mathbf{qed}
qed
lemma quot-char-finiteI [intro]:
 shows finite (UNIV // (\approx{[c]}))
by (rule finite-subset[OF quot-char-subset]) (simp)
14.2.4
           The inductive case for ALT
definition
  tag\text{-}str\text{-}ALT :: lang \Rightarrow lang \Rightarrow string \Rightarrow (lang \times lang)
  tag\text{-}str\text{-}ALT\ L1\ L2 \equiv (\lambda x.\ (\approx L1\ ``\{x\}, \approx L2\ ``\{x\}))
lemma quot-union-finiteI [intro]:
  fixes L1 L2::lang
  assumes finite1: finite (UNIV // \approx L1)
           finite2: finite (UNIV // \approxL2)
  shows finite (UNIV // \approx(L1 \cup L2))
proof (rule-tac\ tag = tag-str-ALT\ L1\ L2\ in\ tag-finite-imageD)
  show \bigwedge x y. tag-str-ALT L1 L2 x = tag-str-ALT L1 L2 y \Longrightarrow x \approx (L1 \cup L2) y
   unfolding tag-str-ALT-def
   unfolding str-eq-def
   unfolding Image-def
   unfolding str-eq-rel-def
   by auto
next
  have *: finite ((UNIV // \approx L1) \times (UNIV // \approx L2))
   using finite1 finite2 by auto
  show finite (range (tag-str-ALT L1 L2))
   unfolding tag-str-ALT-def
   \mathbf{apply}(\mathit{rule\ finite}\text{-}\mathit{subset}[\mathit{OF}\ \text{-}\ *])
   unfolding quotient-def
   by auto
\mathbf{qed}
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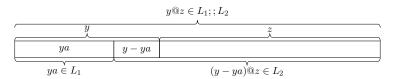
### 14.2.5 The inductive case for SEQ

For case SEQ, the language L is  $L_1$ ;;  $L_2$ . Given  $x @ z \in L_1$ ;;  $L_2$ , according to the defintion of  $L_1$ ;;  $L_2$ , string x @ z can be splitted with the prefix in

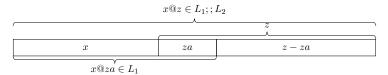
 $L_1$  and suffix in  $L_2$ . The split point can either be in x (as shown in Fig. 1(a)), or in z (as shown in Fig. 1(c)). Whichever way it goes, the structure on x @ z cn be transfered faithfully onto y @ z (as shown in Fig. 1(b) and 1(d)) with the help of the assumed tag equality. The following tag function tag-str-SEQ is such designed to facilitate such transfers and lemma tag-str-SEQ-injI formalizes the informal argument above. The details of structure transfer will be given their.



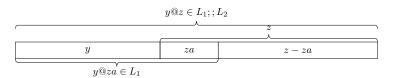
(a) First possible way to split x@z



(b) Transferred structure corresponding to the first way of splitting



(c) The second possible way to split x@z



(d) Transferred structure corresponding to the second way of splitting

Figure 1: The case for SEQ

#### definition

```
tag\text{-}str\text{-}SEQ :: lang \Rightarrow lang \Rightarrow string \Rightarrow (lang \times lang \ set) where tag\text{-}str\text{-}SEQ \ L1 \ L2 \equiv (\lambda x. \ (\approx L1 \ `` \{x\}, \{(\approx L2 \ `` \{x - xa\}) \mid xa. \ xa \leq x \land xa \in L1\}))
```

The following is a techical lemma which helps to split the  $x @ z \in L_1$ ;;  $L_2$  mentioned above.

```
lemma append-seq-elim:
assumes x @ y \in L_1;; L_2
```

```
shows (\exists xa \leq x. xa \in L_1 \land (x - xa) @ y \in L_2) \lor
         (\exists ya \leq y. (x @ ya) \in L_1 \land (y - ya) \in L_2)
proof-
  from assms obtain s_1 s_2
   where eq-xys: x @ y = s_1 @ s_2
   and in-seq: s_1 \in L_1 \land s_2 \in L_2
   by (auto simp:Seq-def)
  from app-eq-dest [OF eq-xys]
  have
   (x \le s_1 \land (s_1 - x) @ s_2 = y) \lor (s_1 \le x \land (x - s_1) @ y = s_2)
             (is ?Split1 \lor ?Split2).
 moreover have ?Split1 \Longrightarrow \exists ya \leq y. (x @ ya) \in L_1 \land (y - ya) \in L_2
   using in-seq by (rule-tac x = s_1 - x in exI, auto elim:prefixE)
 moreover have ?Split2 \Longrightarrow \exists xa \leq x. xa \in L_1 \land (x - xa) @ y \in L_2
   using in-seq by (rule-tac x = s_1 in exI, auto)
 ultimately show ?thesis by blast
qed
lemma tag-str-SEQ-injI:
 fixes v w
 assumes eq-tag: tag-str-SEQ L_1 L_2 v = tag-str-SEQ L_1 L_2 w
 shows v \approx (L_1 ;; L_2) w
proof-
   — As explained before, a pattern for just one direction needs to be dealt with:
  \{ \mathbf{fix} \ x \ y \ z \}
   assume xz-in-seq: x @ z \in L_1 ;; L_2
   and tag-xy: tag-str-SEQ L_1 L_2 x = tag-str-SEQ L_1 L_2 y
   have 0 \ z \in L_1 ;; L_2
   proof-
       - There are two ways to split x@z:
     from append-seq-elim [OF xz-in-seq]
     have (\exists xa \leq x. xa \in L_1 \land (x - xa) @ z \in L_2) \lor
             (\exists za \leq z. (x @ za) \in L_1 \land (z - za) \in L_2).
     — It can be shown that ?thesis holds in either case:
     moreover {
       — The case for the first split:
       assume h1: xa \leq x and h2: xa \in L_1 and h3: (x - xa) @ z \in L_2
          The following subgoal implements the structure transfer:
       obtain ya
         where ya \leq y
         and ya \in L_1
         and (y - ya) @ z \in L_2
       proof -
          By expanding the definition of
       — tag-str-SEQ L_1 L_2 x = tag-str-SEQ L_1 L_2 y
          and extracting the second compoent, we get:
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have \{ \approx L_2 \text{ "} \{x - xa\} \mid xa. \ xa \leq x \land xa \in L_1 \} =
                \{\approx L_2 \text{ "} \{y-ya\} \mid ya.\ ya \leq y \land ya \in L_1\} \text{ (is ?Left} = ?Right)
          using tag-xy unfolding tag-str-SEQ-def by simp
          — Since xa \leq x and xa \in L_1 hold, it is not difficult to show:
        moreover have \approx L_2 " \{x - xa\} \in ?Left \text{ using } h1 \ h2 \text{ by } auto
             Through tag equality, equivalent class \approx L_2 " \{x - xa\}
             also belongs to the ?Right:
        ultimately have \approx L_2 " \{x - xa\} \in ?Right  by simp
          — From this, the counterpart of xa in y is obtained:
        then obtain ya
          where eq-xya: \approx L_2 " \{x - xa\} = \approx L_2 " \{y - ya\}
          and pref-ya: ya \leq y and ya-in: ya \in L_1
          by simp blast
        — It can be proved that ya has the desired property:
        have (y - ya)@z \in L_2
        proof -
          from eq-xya have (x - xa) \approx L_2 (y - ya)
            unfolding Image-def str-eq-rel-def str-eq-def by auto
          with h3 show ?thesis unfolding str-eq-rel-def str-eq-def by simp
        ged
          - Now, ya has all properties to be a qualified candidate:
        with pref-ya ya-in
        show ?thesis using that by blast
         — From the properties of ya, y @ z \in L_1;; L_2 is derived easily.
       hence y @ z \in L_1 ;; L_2 by (erule-tac prefixE, auto simp:Seq-def)
     } moreover {
        - The other case is even more simpler:
       assume h1: za \leq z and h2: (x @ za) \in L_1 and h3: z - za \in L_2
       have y @ za \in L_1
       proof-
        have \approx L_1 " \{x\} = \approx L_1 " \{y\}
          using tag-xy unfolding tag-str-SEQ-def by simp
        with h2 show ?thesis
          unfolding Image-def str-eq-rel-def str-eq-def by auto
       with h1 \ h3 have y @ z \in L_1 ;; L_2
        by (drule-tac\ A=L_1\ in\ seq-intro,\ auto\ elim:prefixE)
     ultimately show ?thesis by blast
   qed
  — ?thesis is proved by exploiting the symmetry of eq-tag:
 from this [OF - eq-tag] and this [OF - eq-tag [THEN sym]]
   show ?thesis unfolding str-eq-def str-eq-rel-def by blast
lemma quot-seq-finiteI [intro]:
```

```
fixes L1 L2::lang assumes fin1: finite (UNIV // \approxL1) and fin2: finite (UNIV // \approxL2) shows finite (UNIV // \approxL1 ;; L2)) proof (rule-tac tag = tag-str-SEQ L1 L2 in tag-finite-imageD) show \bigwedge x y. tag-str-SEQ L1 L2 x = tag-str-SEQ L1 L2 y \Longrightarrow x \approx(L1 ;; L2) y by (rule tag-str-SEQ-injI) next have *: finite ((UNIV // \approxL1) \times (Pow (UNIV // \approxL2))) using fin1 fin2 by auto show finite (range (tag-str-SEQ L1 L2)) unfolding tag-str-SEQ-def apply(rule finite-subset[OF - *]) unfolding quotient-def by auto qed
```

#### 14.2.6 The inductive case for STAR

This turned out to be the trickiest case. The essential goal is to proved  $y @ z \in L_1*$  under the assumptions that  $x @ z \in L_1*$  and that x and y have the same tag. The reasoning goes as the following:

- 1. Since  $x @ z \in L_1*$  holds, a prefix xa of x can be found such that  $xa \in L_1*$  and  $(x xa)@z \in L_1*$ , as shown in Fig. 2(a). Such a prefix always exists, xa = [], for example, is one.
- 2. There could be many but fintile many of such xa, from which we can find the longest and name it xa-max, as shown in Fig. 2(b).
- 3. The next step is to split z into za and zb such that (x xa max) @  $za \in L_1$  and  $zb \in L_1*$  as shown in Fig. 2(e). Such a split always exists because:
  - (a) Because  $(x x\text{-}max) @ z \in L_1*$ , it can always be splitted into prefix a and suffix b, such that  $a \in L_1$  and  $b \in L_1*$ , as shown in Fig. 2(c).
  - (b) But the prefix a CANNOT be shorter than x xa-max (as shown in Fig. 2(d)), becasue otherwise, ma-max@a would be in the same kind as xa-max but with a larger size, conflicting with the fact that xa-max is the longest.
- 4. By the assumption that x and y have the same tag, the structure on x @ z can be transferred to y @ z as shown in Fig. 2(f). The detailed steps are:
  - (a) A y-prefix ya corresponding to xa can be found, which satisfies conditions:  $ya \in L_1*$  and  $(y ya)@za \in L_1$ .

- (b) Since we already know  $zb \in L_1*$ , we get  $(y ya)@za@zb \in L_1*$ , and this is just  $(y ya)@z \in L_1*$ .
- (c) With fact  $ya \in L_1*$ , we finally get  $y@z \in L_1*$ .

The formal proof of lemma tag-str-STAR-injI faithfully follows this informal argument while the tagging function tag-str-STAR is defined to make the transfer in step ?? feasible.

```
definition
  tag-str-STAR :: lang \Rightarrow string \Rightarrow lang set
where
  tag\text{-}str\text{-}STAR\ L1 \equiv (\lambda x. \{\approx L1 \text{ "} \{x - xa\} \mid xa. \ xa < x \land xa \in L1\star\})
A technical lemma.
lemma finite-set-has-max: \llbracket finite \ A; \ A \neq \{\} \rrbracket \Longrightarrow
          (\exists max \in A. \forall a \in A. fa \le (fmax :: nat))
proof (induct rule:finite.induct)
  case emptyI thus ?case by simp
\mathbf{next}
  case (insertI A a)
  show ?case
  proof (cases\ A = \{\})
   case True thus ?thesis by (rule-tac \ x = a \ in \ bexI, \ auto)
  next
   case False
    with insertI.hyps and False
   obtain max
     where h1: max \in A
     and h2: \forall a \in A. f a \leq f max by blast
   show ?thesis
   proof (cases f \ a \le f \ max)
     assume f a \leq f max
     with h1 h2 show ?thesis by (rule-tac x = max in bexI, auto)
   next
     assume \neg (f a \leq f max)
     thus ?thesis using h2 by (rule-tac x = a in bexI, auto)
  qed
\mathbf{qed}
```

The following is a technical lemma. which helps to show the range finiteness of tag function.

```
lemma finite-strict-prefix-set: finite \{xa.\ xa < (x::string)\} apply (induct\ x\ rule:rev-induct,\ simp) apply (subgoal-tac\ \{xa.\ xa < xs\ @\ [x]\} = \{xa.\ xa < xs\} \cup \{xs\}) by (auto\ simp:strict-prefix-def)
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lemma tag-str-STAR-injI:

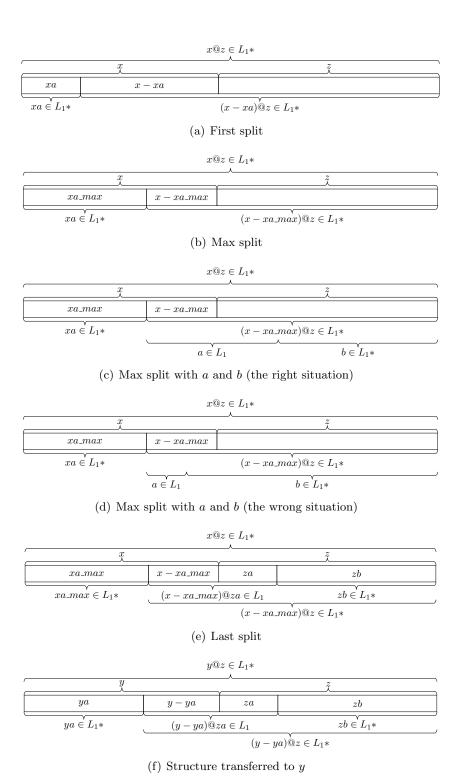


Figure 2: The case for STAR

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fixes v w
assumes eq-tag: tag-str-STAR L_1 v = tag-str-STAR L_1 w
shows (v::string) \approx (L_1 \star) w
  — As explained before, a pattern for just one direction needs to be dealt with:
\{ \mathbf{fix} \ x \ y \ z \}
 assume xz-in-star: x @ z \in L_1 \star
   and tag-xy: tag-str-STAR L_1 x = tag-str-STAR L_1 y
 have y @ z \in L_1 \star
 \mathbf{proof}(cases\ x = [])
       The degenerated case when x is a null string is easy to prove:
   case True
   with tag-xy have y = []
     by (auto simp add: tag-str-STAR-def strict-prefix-def)
   thus ?thesis using xz-in-star True by simp
 next
       - The nontrival case:
   case False
       Since x @ z \in L_1 \star, x can always be splitted by a prefix xa together
       with its suffix x - xa, such that both xa and (x - xa) @ z are
       in L_1\star, and there could be many such splittings. Therefore, the
       following set ?S is nonempty, and finite as well:
   let ?S = \{xa. \ xa < x \land xa \in L_1 \star \land (x - xa) \ @ \ z \in L_1 \star \}
   have finite ?S
     by (rule-tac\ B = \{xa.\ xa < x\}\ in\ finite-subset,
       auto simp:finite-strict-prefix-set)
   moreover have ?S \neq \{\} using False xz-in-star
     by (simp, rule-tac \ x = [] \ in \ exI, \ auto \ simp:strict-prefix-def)
       Since ?S is finite, we can always single out the longest and
   name it xa-max: ultimately have \exists xa-max \in ?S. \forall xa \in ?S. length xa \leq length xa-max
     using finite-set-has-max by blast
   then obtain xa-max
     where h1: xa\text{-}max < x
     and h2: xa\text{-}max \in L_1\star
     and h3: (x - xa\text{-}max) @ z \in L_1 \star
     and h_4: \forall xa < x. xa \in L_1 \star \land (x - xa) @ z \in L_1 \star
                                 \longrightarrow length \ xa \leq length \ xa-max
      By the equality of tags, the counterpart of xa-max among y-
       prefixes, named ya, can be found:
   obtain ya
     where h5: ya < y and h6: ya \in L_1 \star
     and eq-xya: (x - xa\text{-}max) \approx L_1 (y - ya)
     from tag-xy have \{\approx L_1 \text{ "} \{x-xa\} \mid xa. xa < x \land xa \in L_1\star\} =
       \{\approx L_1 \text{ "} \{y-xa\} \mid xa. xa < y \land xa \in L_1\star\} \text{ (is ?left = ?right)}
       by (auto\ simp:tag-str-STAR-def)
     moreover have \approx L_1 " \{x - xa\text{-}max\} \in ?left \text{ using } h1 \text{ } h2 \text{ by } auto
     ultimately have \approx L_1 "\{x - xa\text{-}max\} \in ?right \text{ by } simp
     thus ?thesis using that
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```
apply (simp add:Image-def str-eq-rel-def str-eq-def) by blast
qed
   The ?thesis, y @ z \in L_1 \star, is a simple consequence of the following
   proposition:
have (y - ya) @ z \in L_1 \star
proof-
    The idea is to split the suffix z into za and zb, such that:
 obtain za zb where eq-zab: z = za @ zb
   and l-za: (y - ya)@za \in L_1 and ls-zb: zb \in L_1 \star
    — Since xa\text{-}max < x, x can be splitted into a and b such that:
   from h1 have (x - xa\text{-}max) @ z \neq []
    by (auto simp:strict-prefix-def elim:prefixE)
   from star-decom [OF h3 this]
   obtain a b where a-in: a \in L_1
    and a-neq: a \neq [] and b-in: b \in L_1 \star
    and ab-max: (x - xa\text{-max}) @ z = a @ b by blast
   — Now the candiates for za and zb are found:
   let ?za = a - (x - xa - max) and ?zb = b
   have pfx: (x - xa - max) \le a (is ?P1)
     and eq-z: z = ?za @ ?zb (is ?P2)
   proof -
        Since (x - xa - max) @ z = a @ b, string (x - xa - max) @ z can
        be splitted in two ways:
    have ((x - xa - max) \le a \land (a - (x - xa - max)) @ b = z) \lor
      (a < (x - xa\text{-}max) \land ((x - xa\text{-}max) - a) @ z = b)
      using app-eq-dest[OF ab-max] by (auto simp:strict-prefix-def)
     moreover {
       — However, the undsired way can be refuted by absurdity:
      assume np: a < (x - xa - max)
        and b-eqs: ((x - xa - max) - a) @ z = b
      have False
      proof -
        let ?xa\text{-}max' = xa\text{-}max @ a
        have ?xa\text{-}max' < x
          using np h1 by (clarsimp simp:strict-prefix-def diff-prefix)
        moreover have ?xa\text{-}max' \in L_1 \star
         using a-in h2 by (simp add:star-intro3)
        moreover have (x - ?xa\text{-}max') @ z \in L_1 \star
          using b-eqs b-in np h1 by (simp add:diff-diff-appd)
        moreover have \neg (length ?xa-max' \leq length xa-max)
          using a-neq by simp
        ultimately show ?thesis using h4 by blast
       Now it can be shown that the splitting goes the way we desired.
     ultimately show ?P1 and ?P2 by auto
   qed
   hence (x - xa\text{-}max)@?za \in L_1 using a-in by (auto elim:prefixE)
   — Now candidates ?za and ?zb have all the required properties.
   with eq-xya have (y - ya) @ ?za \in L_1
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by (auto simp:str-eq-def str-eq-rel-def)
          with eq-z and b-in
         show ?thesis using that by blast
       — ?thesis can easily be shown using properties of za and zb:
       have ((y - ya) @ za) @ zb \in L_1 \star  using l-za ls-zb by blast
       with eq-zab show ?thesis by simp
     with h5 h6 show ?thesis
       by (drule-tac star-intro1, auto simp:strict-prefix-def elim:prefixE)
   qed
 }
    By instantiating the reasoning pattern just derived for both directions:
 from this [OF - eq-tag] and this [OF - eq-tag [THEN sym]]
   - The thesis is proved as a trival consequence:
   show ?thesis unfolding str-eq-def str-eq-rel-def by blast
qed
lemma — The oringal version with less explicit details.
 assumes eq-tag: tag-str-STAR L_1 v = tag-str-STAR L_1 w
 shows (v::string) \approx (L_1 \star) w
proof-
       According to the definition of \approx Lang, proving v \approx (L_1 \star) w amounts
       to showing: for any string u, if v @ u \in (L_1 \star) then w @ u \in (L_1 \star)
      and vice versa. The reasoning pattern for both directions are the
       same, as derived in the following:
  \{ \mathbf{fix} \ x \ y \ z \}
   assume xz-in-star: x @ z \in L_1 \star
     and tag-xy: tag-str-STAR L_1 x = tag-str-STAR L_1 y
   have y @ z \in L_1 \star
   proof(cases x = [])
       - The degenerated case when x is a null string is easy to prove:
     case True
     with tag-xy have y = []
       by (auto simp:tag-str-STAR-def strict-prefix-def)
     thus ?thesis using xz-in-star True by simp
         - The case when x is not null, and x @ z is in L_1 \star,
     case False
     obtain x-max
       where h1: x\text{-}max < x
       and h2: x\text{-}max \in L_1 \star
       and h3: (x - x\text{-}max) @ z \in L_1 \star
       and h_4: \forall xa < x. xa \in L_1 \star \land (x - xa) @ z \in L_1 \star
                                 \longrightarrow length \ xa \leq length \ x\text{-max}
     proof-
       let ?S = \{xa. \ xa < x \land xa \in L_1 \star \land (x - xa) @ z \in L_1 \star \}
       have finite ?S
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by (rule-tac\ B = \{xa.\ xa < x\}\ in\ finite-subset,
                        auto simp:finite-strict-prefix-set)
 moreover have ?S \neq \{\} using False xz-in-star
   by (simp, rule-tac \ x = [] \ in \ exI, \ auto \ simp:strict-prefix-def)
 ultimately have \exists max \in ?S. \forall a \in ?S. length a \leq length max
   using finite-set-has-max by blast
 thus ?thesis using that by blast
qed
obtain ya
 where h5: ya < y and h6: ya \in L_1 \star and h7: (x - x\text{-max}) \approx L_1 (y - ya)
proof-
 from tag-xy have \{\approx L_1 \text{ "} \{x-xa\} \mid xa.\ xa < x \land xa \in L_1\star\} =
   \{\approx L_1 \text{ "} \{y-xa\} \mid xa. xa < y \land xa \in L_1\star\} \text{ (is ?left = ?right)}
   by (auto simp:tag-str-STAR-def)
 moreover have \approx L_1 " \{x - x\text{-}max\} \in ?left \text{ using } h1 \ h2 \text{ by } auto \text{ ultimately have } \approx L_1 " \{x - x\text{-}max\} \in ?right \text{ by } simp
 with that show ?thesis apply
   (simp add:Image-def str-eq-rel-def str-eq-def) by blast
qed
have (y - ya) @ z \in L_1 \star
proof-
 from h3\ h1 obtain a\ b where a-in: a\in L_1
   and a-neq: a \neq [] and b-in: b \in L_1 \star ]
   and ab-max: (x - x-max) @ z = a @ b
   by (drule-tac star-decom, auto simp:strict-prefix-def elim:prefixE)
 have (x - x\text{-}max) \le a \land (a - (x - x\text{-}max)) \otimes b = z
 proof -
   have ((x - x - max) \le a \land (a - (x - x - max)) @ b = z) \lor
                    (a < (x - x-max) \land ((x - x-max) - a) @ z = b)
     using app-eq-dest[OF ab-max] by (auto simp:strict-prefix-def)
     assume np: a < (x - x\text{-max}) and b\text{-eqs}: ((x - x\text{-max}) - a) @ z = b
     have False
     proof -
       let ?x\text{-}max' = x\text{-}max @ a
       have ?x - max' < x
         using np h1 by (clarsimp simp:strict-prefix-def diff-prefix)
       moreover have ?x\text{-}max' \in L_1 \star
         using a-in h2 by (simp add:star-intro3)
       moreover have (x - ?x\text{-}max') @ z \in L_1 \star
         using b-eqs b-in np h1 by (simp add:diff-diff-appd)
       moreover have \neg (length ?x-max' \le length x-max)
         using a-neq by simp
       ultimately show ?thesis using h4 by blast
     qed
   } ultimately show ?thesis by blast
 qed
 then obtain za where z-decom: z = za @ b
   and x-za: (x - x\text{-}max) @ za \in L_1
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using a-in by (auto elim:prefixE)
      from x-za h7 have (y - ya) @ za \in L_1
        by (auto simp:str-eq-def str-eq-rel-def)
      with b-in have ((y - ya) @ za) @ b \in L_1 \star by blast
      with z-decom show ?thesis by auto
     qed
     with h5 h6 show ?thesis
      by (drule-tac star-intro1, auto simp:strict-prefix-def elim:prefixE)
   qed
 }
 — By instantiating the reasoning pattern just derived for both directions:
 from this [OF - eq-tag] and this [OF - eq-tag [THEN sym]]
 — The thesis is proved as a trival consequence:
   show ?thesis unfolding str-eq-def str-eq-rel-def by blast
qed
lemma quot-star-finiteI [intro]:
 fixes L1::lang
 assumes finite1: finite (UNIV // \approx L1)
 shows finite (UNIV // \approx(L1\star))
proof (rule-tac\ tag = tag-str-STAR\ L1\ in\ tag-finite-imageD)
 show \bigwedge x y. tag-str-STAR L1 x = tag-str-STAR L1 y \Longrightarrow x \approx (L1 \star) y
   by (rule\ tag-str-STAR-injI)
next
 have *: finite\ (Pow\ (UNIV\ //\approx L1))
   using finite1 by auto
 show finite (range (tag-str-STAR L1))
   unfolding tag-str-STAR-def
   apply(rule\ finite-subset[OF - *])
   unfolding quotient-def
   by auto
qed
14.2.7
          The conclusion
lemma rexp-imp-finite:
 fixes r::rexp
 shows finite (UNIV // \approx(L r))
by (induct \ r) (auto)
end
theory Myhill
 imports Myhill-2
begin
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## 15 Preliminaries

## 15.1 Finite automata and Myhill-Nerode theorem

A deterministic finite automata (DFA) M is a 5-tuple  $(Q, \Sigma, \delta, s, F)$ , where:

- 1. Q is a finite set of *states*, also denoted  $Q_M$ .
- 2.  $\Sigma$  is a finite set of alphabets, also denoted  $\Sigma_M$ .
- 3.  $\delta$  is a transition function of type  $Q \times \Sigma \Rightarrow Q$  (a total function), also denoted  $\delta_M$ .
- 4.  $s \in Q$  is a state called *initial state*, also denoted  $s_M$ .
- 5.  $F \subseteq Q$  is a set of states named accepting states, also denoted  $F_M$ .

Therefore, we have  $M = (Q_M, \Sigma_M, \delta_M, s_M, F_M)$ . Every DFA M can be interpreted as a function assigning states to strings, denoted  $\hat{\delta}_M$ , the definition of which is as the following:

$$\hat{\delta}_M([]) \equiv s_M$$

$$\hat{\delta}_M(xa) \equiv \delta_M(\hat{\delta}_M(x), a)$$
(1)

A string x is said to be accepted (or recognized) by a DFA M if  $\hat{\delta}_M(x) \in F_M$ . The language recognized by DFA M, denoted L(M), is defined as:

$$L(M) \equiv \{x \mid \hat{\delta}_M(x) \in F_M\} \tag{2}$$

The standard way of specifying a laugage  $\mathcal{L}$  as regular is by stipulating that:  $\mathcal{L} = L(M)$  for some DFA M.

For any DFA M, the DFA obtained by changing initial state to another  $p \in Q_M$  is denoted  $M_p$ , which is defined as:

$$M_p \equiv (Q_M, \Sigma_M, \delta_M, p, F_M) \tag{3}$$

Two states  $p, q \in Q_M$  are said to be equivalent, denoted  $p \approx_M q$ , iff.

$$L(M_p) = L(M_q) (4)$$

It is obvious that  $\approx_M$  is an equivalent relation over  $Q_M$ . and the partition induced by  $\approx_M$  has  $|Q_M|$  equivalent classes. By overloading  $\approx_M$ , an equivalent relation over strings can be defined:

$$x \approx_M y \equiv \hat{\delta}_M(x) \approx_M \hat{\delta}_M(y) \tag{5}$$

It can be proved that the partition induced by  $\approx_M$  also has  $|Q_M|$  equivalent classes. It is also easy to show that: if  $x \approx_M y$ , then  $x \approx_{L(M)} y$ , and this means  $\approx_M$  is a more refined equivalent relation than  $\approx_{L(M)}$ . Since partition induced by  $\approx_M$  is finite, the one induced by  $\approx_{L(M)}$  must also be finite, and this is one of the two directions of Myhill-Nerode theorem:

**Lemma 1** (Myhill-Nerode theorem, Direction two). If a language  $\mathcal{L}$  is regular (i.e.  $\mathcal{L} = L(M)$  for some DFA M), then the partition induced by  $\approx_{\mathcal{L}}$ is finite.

The other direction is:

**Lemma 2** (Myhill-Nerode theorem, Direction one). If the partition induced by  $\approx_{\mathcal{L}}$  is finite, then  $\mathcal{L}$  is regular (i.e.  $\mathcal{L} = L(M)$  for some DFA M).

The M we are seeking when prove lemma ?? can be constructed out of  $\approx_{\mathcal{L}}$ , denoted  $M_{\mathcal{L}}$  and defined as the following:

$$Q_{M_{\mathcal{L}}} \equiv \{ [\![x]\!]_{\approx_{\mathcal{L}}} \mid x \in \Sigma^* \}$$
 (6a)

$$\Sigma_{M_{\mathcal{L}}} \equiv \Sigma_{M}$$
 (6b)

$$\Sigma_{M_{\mathcal{L}}} \equiv \Sigma_{M}$$

$$\delta_{M_{\mathcal{L}}} \equiv (\lambda(\llbracket x \rrbracket_{\approx_{\mathcal{L}}}, a).\llbracket xa \rrbracket_{\approx_{\mathcal{L}}})$$

$$s_{M_{\mathcal{L}}} \equiv \llbracket \llbracket \rrbracket \rrbracket_{\approx_{\mathcal{L}}}$$

$$F_{M_{\mathcal{L}}} \equiv \{\llbracket x \rrbracket_{\approx_{\mathcal{L}}} \mid x \in \mathcal{L}\}$$

$$(6b)$$

$$(6c)$$

$$(6d)$$

$$s_{M_{\mathcal{L}}} \equiv [[]]_{\approx_{\mathcal{L}}} \tag{6d}$$

$$F_{M_{\mathcal{L}}} \equiv \{ [\![x]\!]_{\approx_{\mathcal{L}}} \mid x \in \mathcal{L} \}$$
 (6e)

It can be proved that  $Q_{M_{\mathcal{L}}}$  is indeed finite and  $\mathcal{L} = L(M_{\mathcal{L}})$ , so lemma 2 holds. It can also be proved that  $M_{\mathcal{L}}$  is the minimal DFA (therefore unique) which recoginzes  $\mathcal{L}$ .

#### The objective and the underlying intuition 15.2

It is now obvious from section 15.1 that Myhill-Nerode theorem can be established easily when reglar languages are defined as ones recognized by finite automata. Under the context where the use of finite automata is forbiden, the situation is quite different. The theorem now has to be expressed as:

**Theorem 1** (Myhill-Nerode theorem, Regular expression version). A language  $\mathcal{L}$  is regular (i.e.  $\mathcal{L} = L(e)$  for some regular expression e) iff. the partition induced by  $\approx_{\mathcal{L}}$  is finite.

The proof of this version consists of two directions (if the use of automata are not allowed):

**Direction one:** generating a regular expression e out of the finite partition induced by  $\approx_{\mathcal{L}}$ , such that  $\mathcal{L} = L(e)$ .

**Direction two:** showing the finiteness of the partition induced by  $\approx_{\mathcal{L}}$ , under the assemption that  $\mathcal{L}$  is recognized by some regular expression e (i.e.  $\mathcal{L} = L(e)$ ).

The development of these two directions consititutes the body of this paper.

#### 16 **Direction** regular language $\Rightarrow$ finite partition

Although not used explicitly, the notion of finite autotmata and its relationship with language partition, as outlined in section 15.1, still servers as important intuitive guides in the development of this paper. For example, Direction one follows the Brzozowski algebraic method used to convert finite autotmata to regular expressions, under the intuition that every partition member  $[x]_{\approx_{\mathcal{L}}}$  is a state in the DFA  $M_{\mathcal{L}}$  constructed to prove lemma 2 of section 15.1.

The basic idea of Brzozowski method is to extract an equational system out of the transition relationship of the automaton in question. In the equational system, every automaton state is represented by an unknown, the solution of which is expected to be a regular expression characterizing the state in a certain sense. There are two choices of how a automaton state can be characterized. The first is to characterize by the set of strings leading from the state in question into accepting states. The other choice is to characterize by the set of strings leading from initial state into the state in question. For the second choice, the language recognized the automaton can be characterized by the solution of initial state, while for the second choice, the language recognized by the automaton can be characterized by combining solutions of all accepting states by +. Because of the automaton used as our intuitive guide, the  $M_{\mathcal{L}}$ , the states of which are sets of strings leading from initial state, the second choice is used in this paper.

Supposing the automaton in Fig 3 is the  $M_{\mathcal{L}}$  for some language  $\mathcal{L}$ , and suppose  $\Sigma = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ . Under the second choice, the equational system extracted is:

$$X_0 = X_1 \cdot c + X_2 \cdot d + \lambda \tag{7a}$$

$$X_1 = X_0 \cdot a + X_1 \cdot b + X_2 \cdot d \tag{7b}$$

$$X_2 = X_0 \cdot b + X_1 \cdot d + X_2 \cdot a \tag{7c}$$

$$X_{2} = X_{0} \cdot b + X_{1} \cdot d + X_{2} \cdot a$$

$$X_{3} = X_{0} \cdot (c + d + e) + X_{1} \cdot (a + e) + X_{2} \cdot (b + e) + X_{3} \cdot (a + b + c + d + e)$$

$$(7c)$$

Every -- item on the right side of equations describes some state transitions, except the  $\lambda$  in (7a), which represents empty string []. The reason is that: every state is characterized by the set of incoming strings leading from initial state. For non-initial state, every such string can be splitted into a prefix leading into a preceding state and a single character suffix transiting into from the preceding state. The exception happens at initial state, where the empty string is a incoming string which can not be splitted. The  $\lambda$  in (7a) is introduce to repsent this indivisible string. There is one and only one  $\lambda$ in every equational system such obtained, becasue [] can only be contained in one equivalent class (the intial state in  $M_{\mathcal{L}}$ ) and equivalent classes are disjoint.

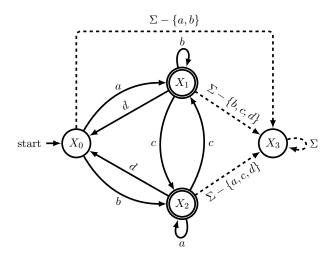


Figure 3: An example automaton

Suppose all unknowns  $(X_0, X_1, X_2, X_3)$  are solvable, the regular expression charactering laugnage  $\mathcal{L}$  is  $X_1 + X_2$ . This paper gives a procedure by which arbitrarily picked unknown can be solved. The basic idea to solve  $X_i$  is by eliminating all variables other than  $X_i$  from the equational system. If  $X_0$  is the one picked to be solved, variables  $X_1, X_2, X_3$  have to be removed one by one. The order to remove does not matter as long as the remaing equations are kept valid. Suppose  $X_1$  is the first one to remove, the action is to replace all occurrences of  $X_1$  in remaining equations by the right hand side of its characterizing equation, i.e. the  $X_0 \cdot a + X_1 \cdot b + X_2 \cdot d$  in (7b). However, because of the recursive occurrence of  $X_1$ , this replacement does not really removed  $X_1$ . Arden's lemma is invoked to transform recursive equations like (7b) into non-recursive ones. For example, the recursive equation (7b) is transformed into the following non-recursive one:

$$X_1 = (X_0 \cdot a + X_2 \cdot d) \cdot b^* = X_0 \cdot (a \cdot b^*) + X_2 \cdot (d \cdot b^*)$$
 (8)

which, by Arden's lemma, still characterizes  $X_1$  correctly. By substituting  $(X_0 \cdot a + X_2 \cdot d) \cdot b^*$  for all  $X_1$  and removing (7b), we get:

$$(X_{0} \cdot (a \cdot b^{*}) + X_{2} \cdot (d \cdot b^{*})) \cdot c + X_{2} \cdot d + \lambda =$$

$$X_{0} = X_{0} \cdot (a \cdot b^{*} \cdot c) + X_{2} \cdot (d \cdot b^{*} \cdot c) + X_{2} \cdot d + \lambda =$$

$$X_{0} \cdot (a \cdot b^{*} \cdot c) + X_{2} \cdot (d \cdot b^{*} \cdot c + d) + \lambda$$

$$X_{0} \cdot b + (X_{0} \cdot (a \cdot b^{*}) + X_{2} \cdot (d \cdot b^{*})) \cdot d + X_{2} \cdot a =$$

$$X_{2} = X_{0} \cdot b + X_{0} \cdot (a \cdot b^{*} \cdot d) + X_{2} \cdot (d \cdot b^{*} \cdot d) + X_{2} \cdot a =$$

$$X_{0} \cdot (b + a \cdot b^{*} \cdot d) + X_{2} \cdot (d \cdot b^{*} \cdot d + a)$$

$$X_{3} = X_{0} \cdot (c + d + e) + ((X_{0} \cdot a + X_{2} \cdot d) \cdot b^{*}) \cdot (a + e) + ((X_{0} \cdot a + X_{2} \cdot d) \cdot b^{*}) \cdot (a + e) + ((X_{0} \cdot a + X_{2} \cdot d) \cdot b^{*}) \cdot (a + e) + ((X_{0} \cdot a + X_{2} \cdot d) \cdot b^{*}) \cdot (a + e) + ((X_{0} \cdot a + X_{2} \cdot d) \cdot b^{*}) \cdot (a + e) + ((X_{0} \cdot a + A_{2} \cdot$$

Suppose  $X_3$  is the one to remove next, since  $X_3$  dose not appear in either  $X_0$  or  $X_2$ , the removal of equation (9c) changes nothing in the rest equations. Therefore, we get:

$$X_0 = X_0 \cdot (a \cdot b^* \cdot c) + X_2 \cdot (d \cdot b^* \cdot c + d) + \lambda \tag{10a}$$

$$X_2 = X_0 \cdot (b + a \cdot b^* \cdot d) + X_2 \cdot (d \cdot b^* \cdot d + a)$$
 (10b)

Actually, since absorbing state like  $X_3$  contributes nothing to the language  $\mathcal{L}$ , it could have been removed at the very beginning of this precedure without affecting the final result. Now, the last unknown to remove is  $X_2$  and the Arden's transformation of (10b) is:

$$X_2 = (X_0 \cdot (b + a \cdot b^* \cdot d)) \cdot (d \cdot b^* \cdot d + a)^* = X_0 \cdot ((b + a \cdot b^* \cdot d) \cdot (d \cdot b^* \cdot d + a)^*)$$
(11)

By substituting the right hand side of (11) into (10a), we get:

$$X_{0} = X_{0} \cdot (a \cdot b^{*} \cdot c) + X_{0} \cdot ((b + a \cdot b^{*} \cdot d) \cdot (d \cdot b^{*} \cdot d + a)^{*}) \cdot (d \cdot b^{*} \cdot c + d) + \lambda$$

$$= X_{0} \cdot ((a \cdot b^{*} \cdot c) + ((b + a \cdot b^{*} \cdot d) \cdot (d \cdot b^{*} \cdot d + a)^{*}) \cdot (d \cdot b^{*} \cdot c + d)) + \lambda$$
(12)

By applying Arden's transformation to this, we get the solution of  $X_0$  as:

$$X_0 = ((a \cdot b^* \cdot c) + ((b + a \cdot b^* \cdot d) \cdot (d \cdot b^* \cdot d + a)^*) \cdot (d \cdot b^* \cdot c + d))^*$$
 (13)

Using the same method, solutions for  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  can be obtained as well and the regular expression for  $\mathcal{L}$  is just  $X_1 + X_2$ . The formalization of this procedure constitutes the first direction of the regular expression verion of Myhill-Nerode theorem. Detailed explaination are given in **paper.pdf** and more details and comments can be found in the formal scripts.

# 17 Direction finite partition $\Rightarrow$ regular language

It is well known in the theory of regular languages that the existence of finite language partition amounts to the existence of a minimal automaton, i.e. the  $M_{\mathcal{L}}$  constructed in section 15, which recoginzes the same language  $\mathcal{L}$ . The standard way to prove the existence of finite language partition is to construct a automaton out of the regular expression which recoginzes the same language, from which the existence of finite language partition follows immediately. As discussed in the introducton of **paper.pdf** as well as in [5], the problem for this approach happens when automata of sub regular expressions are combined to form the automaton of the mother regular expression, no matter what kind of representation is used, the formalization is cubersome, as said by Nipkow in [5]: 'a more abstract mathod is clearly desirable'.

In this section, an *intrinsically abstract* method is given, which completely avoid the mentioning of automata, let along any particular representations.

The main proof structure is a structural induction on regular expressions, where base cases (cases for NULL, EMPTY, CHAR) are quite straightforward to proof. Real difficulty lies in inductive cases. By inductive hypothesis, languages defined by sub-expressions induce finite partitions. Under such hypothsis, we need to prove that the language defined by the composite regular expression gives rise to finite partion. The basic idea is to attach a tag tag(x) to every string x. The tagging fuction tag is carefully devised, which returns tags made of equivalent classes of the partitions induced by subexpressoins, and therefore has a finite range. Let Lang be the composite language, it is proved that:

If strings with the same tag are equivalent with respect to *Lang*, expressed as:

$$tag(x) = tag(y) \Longrightarrow x \approx Lang y$$

then the partition induced by Lang must be finite.

There are two arguments for this. The first goes as the following:

- 1. First, the tagging function tag induces an equivalent relation (=tag=) (definition of f-eq-rel and lemma equiv-f-eq-rel).
- 2. It is shown that: if the range of tag (denoted range(tag)) is finite, the partition given rise by (=tag=) is finite (lemma finite-eq-f-rel). Since tags are made from equivalent classes from component partitions, and the inductive hypothesis ensures the finiteness of these partitions, it is not difficult to prove the finiteness of range(tag).
- 3. It is proved that if equivalent relation R1 is more refined than R2 (expressed as  $R1 \subseteq R2$ ), and the partition induced by R1 is finite, then the partition induced by R2 is finite as well (lemma refined-partition-finite).
- 4. The injectivity assumption  $tag(x) = tag(y) \Longrightarrow x \approx Lang y$  implies that (=tag=) is more refined than  $(\approx Lang)$ .
- 5. Combining the points above, we have: the partition induced by language *Lang* is finite (lemma *tag-finite-imageD*).

We could have followed another approach given in appendix II of Brzo-zowski's paper [?], where the set of derivatives of any regular expression can be proved to be finite. Since it is easy to show that strings with same derivative are equivalent with respect to the language, then the second direction

follows. We believe that our apporoach is easy to formalize, with no need to do complicated derivation calculations and countings as in [???]. end