some context: KeY

specification in Java modeling language
is transformed into formula in dynamic logic
and compared with semantics in dynamic logic

more generally: dynamic logic is useful for sequential programming

see wiki for KeY model checker
see home page of KeY

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Hoare logic

Hoare logic for program correctness

triples consisting of a precondition, a program, and a postcondition

the program is a ‘while program’

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Hoare logic and PDL

PDL uses regular programs

while programs form a subset of the regular programs

\{\phi\} \alpha \{\psi\} in Hoare logic is written in PDL as \( \phi \rightarrow [\alpha] \psi \)

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programs and formulas of PDL

we have programs built from atomic programs, and possibly dependent on propositions

we have formulas built from atomic formulas, and possibly dependent on programs

truth of \( \phi \) depends on

truth of strictly smaller formulas and relation of strictly smaller programs

consider for example \( \phi = (a)p \)

accessibility relation of \( \alpha \) depends on

relation of strictly smaller programs and truth of strictly smaller formulas

consider for example \( \alpha = p?; a \)
**PDL frame**

A Prog-frame $\mathcal{F} = (W, \{ R_\alpha | \alpha \in \text{Prog} \})$ is a PDL-frame if

- $R_{\alpha \beta} = R_\alpha \cap R_\beta$, and
- $R_{\alpha \cup \beta} = R_\alpha \cup R_\beta$, and
- $R_\alpha^* = (R_\alpha)^*$

So if we know all $R_\alpha$ then we know enough!

**PDL model**

A set of atomic program $A$ and

Prog: set of regular programs over $A$

A model $\mathcal{M} = (W, \{ R_\alpha | \alpha \in \text{Prog} \}, V)$ is a PDL-model if

- $(W, \{ R_\alpha | \alpha \in \text{Prog} \})$ is a PDL-frame, and
- $R_\phi = \{(w, w) | \mathcal{M}, w \models \phi \}$

We can find a PDL-model as extension of an $A$-model with in addition

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**PDL extension: definition**

We can get a PDL model as the extension of a model over labels $A$

Let $\mathcal{M} = (W, \{ R_\alpha | a \in A \}, V)$ be an $A$-model

Its PDL-extension is defined as $\hat{\mathcal{M}} = (W, \{ \hat{R}_\alpha | \alpha \in \text{Prog} \}, V)$ with

- $\hat{R}_a = R_a$
- $\hat{R}_\alpha \cap \beta = \hat{R}_\alpha \cap \hat{R}_\beta$
- $\hat{R}_{\alpha \cup \beta} = \hat{R}_\alpha \cup \hat{R}_\beta$
- $\hat{R}_\alpha^* = (\hat{R}_\alpha)^*$
- $\hat{R}_\phi = \{(x, x) | \mathcal{M}, x \models \phi \}$

**Some formulas that are valid in all PDL-models**

- $\langle \alpha; \beta \rangle p \leftrightarrow \langle \alpha \rangle \langle \beta \rangle p$
- $\langle \alpha \cup \beta \rangle p \leftrightarrow \langle \alpha \rangle p \lor \langle \beta \rangle p$
- $\langle \alpha^* \rangle p \leftrightarrow p \lor \langle \alpha \rangle \langle \alpha^* \rangle p$
- $\langle p? \rangle q \leftrightarrow p \land q$
- $[\alpha^*] p \leftrightarrow p \land [\alpha^*](p \rightarrow [\alpha] p)$ (induction principle)
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alternative semantics

the book takes a different approach to semantics of PDL
the definition of $\mathcal{M}, x \models \phi$ is as usual for $\phi$ a formula from prop1
for diamond formulas: $\mathcal{M}, w \models \langle \alpha \rangle \phi$ if and only if
there exists $w'$ such that $\mathcal{M}, w, w' \models \alpha$ and $\mathcal{M}, w' \models \phi$

what is $\mathcal{M}, w, w' \models \alpha$?
$\mathcal{M}, w, w' \models a$ if $(w, w') \in R_a$ with $a$ an atomic program
extend this to sequential composition, choice, iteration, and test
for example: $\mathcal{M}, w, w' \models ?\phi$ if $w = w'$ and $\mathcal{M}, w \models \phi$

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obvious question

we start with a model $\mathcal{M}$ consisting of
$W$, for every atomic program $a$ a relation $R_a$, and $V$
two approaches to defining semantics:
by constructing the PDL-extension of $\mathcal{M}$ and considering $\hat{\mathcal{M}}, x \models \phi$
by considering $\mathcal{M}, x \models \phi$ and $\mathcal{M}, x, x' \models \alpha$
are the two semantics equivalent?
if then else

if \( p \) then \( a \) else \( b \) is encoded as \((p?; a) \cup (\neg p?; b)\)

question: compute \( R_\gamma \) for \( \gamma = (p?; a) \cup (\neg p?; b)\)

back to the approach due to Hoare

we encode while-programs as regular programs
we encode \( \{ \phi \} P \{ \psi \} \) as \( \phi \rightarrow [Q] \psi \) with \( Q \) the translation of \( P \)
we show that all rules from Hoare Logic are derivable
so we can encode Hoare logic in propositional dynamic logic
vice versa:
the class of while-programs is the regular programing with union and test
star only used for encoding while and if

while

while \( p \) do \( a \) is encoded as \((p?; a)^*; \neg p?\)

question: compute \( R_\gamma \) for \( \gamma = (p?; a)^*; \neg p?\)

formula \( \langle \text{while } p \text{ do } a \rangle q \) is valid in model \( M \) in state \( x \) iff there exist \( n \geq 0 \) and there exist \( x_0, \ldots, x_n \) such that
\( x = x_0 \), and
\( M, x_0 \models p \) and \( R_a x_0 x_1 \)
\( \vdots \)
\( M, x_{n-1} \models p \) and \( R_a x_{n-1} x_n \)
\( M, x_n \not\models p \) and \( M, x_n \models q \)

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bisimulation for PDL-models

do we need to consider all infinitely many relations?

no, it is sufficient to consider all $R_a$ with $a$ atomic
because PDL-constructors are safe for bisimulation

as a consequence:
if $E$ is a bisimulation between $M, x$ and $M', x'$
with $M$ and $M'$ $A$-models,
then $E$ is a bisimulation between $\hat{M}, x$ and $\hat{M}', x'$
with $\hat{M}$ and $\hat{M}'$ their PDL-extensions

not all operators are safe for bisimulation

intersection is not safe for bisimulation

inverse is not safe for bisimulation

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example

how can we express the following property:

$p$ is alternatively true and false
along all execution paths of a starting in current state with $p$ true

$p \land \lceil a^* \rceil((p \rightarrow [a] \neg p) \land (\neg p \rightarrow [a]p))$

or equivalently:

$\lceil (a a)^* \rceil p \land \lceil a (a a)^* \rceil \neg p$

without the condition on the start state:

$(p \rightarrow [a] \neg p) \land (\neg p \rightarrow [a]p)$
which property is expressed by the following formula:

$\langle \text{while } p \text{ do } \alpha \rangle^T$

while $p$ do $\alpha$ terminates if and only if
it is possible by repeated execution of $\alpha$ to reach state with $\neg p$
the formula is equivalent to $\langle \alpha^* \rangle \neg p$