

# Quantified Updates

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# Simultaneous Updates (Old Story)

- Modal operator for changing values of finitely (boundedly) many locations:

$$\{ f_1(s_1, \dots) := t_1, \dots, f_n(s_n, \dots) := t_n \} \text{ phi}$$

- Semantics: Parallel execution, last-win clash resolution
- KeY: Update simplifier for merging/simplifying/applying updates

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$$\{ x := 3, y := 3 \} \backslash \langle \{ \} \backslash \rangle \text{ true}$$

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```
{ f1(s1,...):=t1, ..., fn(sn,...):=tn } phi
```

- In FOL: Updates can syntactically be applied (like substitutions)
- But: Application can also be delayed efficiently
  - Important for modal logics
  - Way of storing memory contents in dynamic logic
- Insufficient in many situations: Treatment of simple loops, modifies-clauses with wildcards, etc.

```
for(int i = 0; i != a.length; ++i)  
  a[i] = 0;
```

... would require unboundedly many assignments

# Quantified Updates, Guards

Extensions of simultaneous updates (that now exist in KeY):

- Quantification of assignments:

```
{... \for S x; f(s...):=t ...} phi
```

```
{... \for (S1 x; S2 y) f(s...):=t ...} phi
```

For instance:

```
{... \for int i; a[i]:=0 ...} phi
```

```
{... \for C obj; obj.intAttr:=0 ...} phi
```

- Guards (not discussed further here):

```
{... \if (cond) f(s...):=t ...} phi
```

# Simple Loops Can Be Handled by Par. Assignments

```
for(int i = 0; i != a.length; ++i)  
    a[i] = 0;
```

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```
\for int i;  
\if (i >= 0 & i < a.length)  
    a[i]:=0
```

- Practically used for array creation

# Syntactic Application of Quantified Updates

```
U = \for S1 x1; f1(s1, ...) := t1,  
    ...,  
    \for Sn xn; fn(sn, ...) := tn
```

```
{U} f(s, ...)
```

Create an if-cascade:

```
\ifEx Sn xn; (condn)  
\then      (tn)  
\else      (... \ifEx S1 x1; (cond1)  
            \then      (t1)  
            \else      (f({U}s, ...)) ...)
```

$$\text{condi} = \begin{cases} \{U\}s=s_i \ \& \ \dots \ \text{for } f_i=f \\ \text{false} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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Solution: Sort particular assignments by well-ordering integers:

$$\begin{aligned} \dots \succ -3 \succ -2 \succ -1 \succ \dots \succ 3 \succ 2 \succ 1 \succ 0 \\ i \preceq j \iff (i \geq j \wedge j < 0) \vee (0 \leq i \wedge i \leq j) \end{aligned}$$

Meaning of update:

```
{ ..., x:=-2, x:=-1, ..., x:=2, x:=1, x:=0 } phi
```

- Domains that can be quantified over are assumed to be well-ordered (particularly integers, Java reference types)
- Mainly motivated by advantages of last-win semantics:  
Nice treatment of sequentiality/aliasing



# Meaning of ifEx-Expressions

```
\ifEx S x; (cond) \then (then) \else (else)
```

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```
\if    (\exists S x; cond)  
\then  ({\subst S x; (min S x; cond)}then)  
\else  (else)
```

(minimum operator is never introduced explicitly in KeY)

# Update Construction

Update language is (semantically) closed under the following operations ( $U_1, U_2, U$  arbitrary updates!):

- Parallel composition:  $U_1, U_2$
- Sequential composition:  $U_1; U_2$
- Quantification:  $\text{\textbackslash for } S \ x; U$
- Conditional execution:  $\text{\textbackslash if } (\phi) U$
  
- These operations are implemented in `class logic.UpdateFactory`
- Should be preferred method for creating updates (over `logic.TermFactory`)

For instance:

```
\for int i; ( a[i]:=b[i], b[i]:=a[i] )
```

Normalised to:

```
\for int i; a[i]:=b[i], \for int i; b[i]:=a[i]
```

# Possible Future Improvements

- In general interactive manipulations of updates are necessary (not yet possible in KeY)
- More efficient syntactic application of updates might be possible