HOMEWORK 3 — CS 819 C — SPRING 2002
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Problem 1

When

$$\exists \alpha, \beta.\ (\mathbf{list}\ \alpha\ (\mathsf{i}, \mathsf{j})\ *\ \mathbf{list}\ \beta\ (\mathsf{j}, \mathsf{k})) \wedge \gamma = \alpha \cdot \beta,$$

we say that j is an *interior pointer* of the list segment described by $\mathbf{list}\ \gamma\ (\mathsf{i}, \mathsf{k})$.

1. Give an assertion describing a list segment with two interior pointers j_1 and j_2, such that j_1 comes before than, or at the same point as, j_2 in the ordering of the elements of the list segment.

2. Give an assertion describing a list segment with two interior pointers j_1 and j_2, where there is no constraint on the relative positions of j_1 and j_2.

3. Prove that the first assertion implies the second.

Problem 2

A *braced list segment* is a list segment with an interior pointer j to its last element; in the special case where the list segment is empty, j is **nil**. Formally,

$$\mathbf{brlist}\ \epsilon\ (\mathsf{i}, \mathsf{j}, \mathsf{k}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{emp} \wedge \mathsf{i} = \mathsf{k} \wedge \mathsf{j} = \mathbf{nil}$$

$$\mathbf{brlist}\ \alpha \cdot a\ (\mathsf{i}, \mathsf{j}, \mathsf{k}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{list}\ \alpha\ (\mathsf{i}, \mathsf{j})\ *\ \mathsf{j} \mapsto \mathsf{a}, \mathsf{k}.$$

1. Prove the assertion

$$\mathbf{brlist}\ \alpha\ (\mathsf{i}, \mathsf{j}, \mathsf{k}) \Rightarrow \mathbf{list}\ \alpha\ (\mathsf{i}, \mathsf{k}).$$

2. Give an annotated specification of a command that changes the final pointer of a braced list segment from k to l. The command should not construct or deallocate any list structure, and it should not change the value of j. It should satisfy

$$\{\mathbf{brlist}\ \alpha\ (\mathsf{i}, \mathsf{j}, \mathsf{k})\}\ \cdots\ \{\mathbf{brlist}\ \alpha\ (\mathsf{i}, \mathsf{j}, \mathsf{l})\}.$$

3. Give an annotated specification of a command that concatenates two braced list segments. The command should not construct or deallocate any list structure, and it should not change the value of k_2. It should satisfy

$$\{\mathbf{brlist}\,\alpha\,(\mathsf{i}_1,\mathsf{j}_1,\mathsf{k}_1)\ *\ \mathbf{brlist}\,\beta\,(\mathsf{i}_2,\mathsf{j}_2,\mathsf{k}_2)\}$$
$$\cdots$$
$$\{\mathbf{brlist}\,\alpha{\cdot}\beta\,(\mathsf{i}_1,\mathsf{j},\mathsf{k}_2)\}.$$

4. Give an annotated specification of a command that appends an item a at the beginning of a braced list segment. The command should not change the value of k, and should satisfy

$$\{\mathbf{brlist}\,\alpha\,(\mathsf{i},\mathsf{j},\mathsf{k})\}\ \cdots\ \{\mathbf{brlist}\,\mathsf{a}{\cdot}\alpha\,(\mathsf{i},\mathsf{j},\mathsf{k})\}.$$

5. Give an annotated specification of a command that appends an item a at the end of a braced list segment. The command should not change the value of k, and should satisfy

$$\{\mathbf{brlist}\,\alpha\,(\mathsf{i},\mathsf{j},\mathsf{k})\}\ \cdots\ \{\mathbf{brlist}\,\alpha{\cdot}\mathsf{a}\,(\mathsf{i},\mathsf{j},\mathsf{k})\}.$$

6. Give an annotated specification of a command that deletes an item a from the beginning of a nonempty braced list segment. The command should not change the value of k, and should satisfy

$$\{\mathbf{brlist}\,\mathsf{a}{\cdot}\alpha\,(\mathsf{i},\mathsf{j},\mathsf{k})\}\ \cdots\ \{\mathbf{brlist}\,\alpha\,(\mathsf{i},\mathsf{j},\mathsf{k})\}.$$