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hyloStructureProduct

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hyloList of OneOrBoth

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Go To Statement Considered Harmful

Edsger W. Dijkstra

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although the programmer's activity ends when he has constructed a correct program, the process taking place under control of his program is the true subject matter of his activity

our intellectual powers are rather geared to master static relations and that our powers to visualize processes evolving in time are relatively poorly developed

we should do (as wise programmers aware of our limitations) our utmost to shorten the conceptual gap between the static program and the dynamic process

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    doSomethingPositive();  
}  
else {  
    doSomethingNegative();  
}  
carryOn();
```

goto in action

```
sum = 0;  
i = 0;  
loop:  
if (i >= size) goto done;  
sum += items[i];  
i++;  
goto loop;  
done:  
return sum;
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for (i = 0; i < s; i++) {
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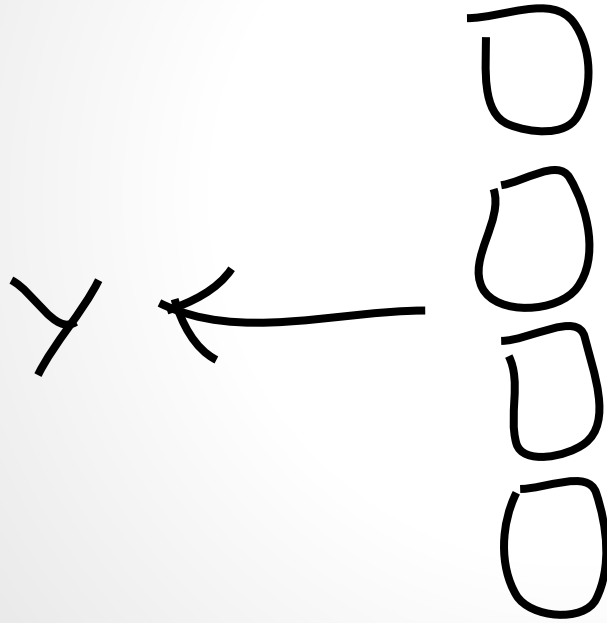
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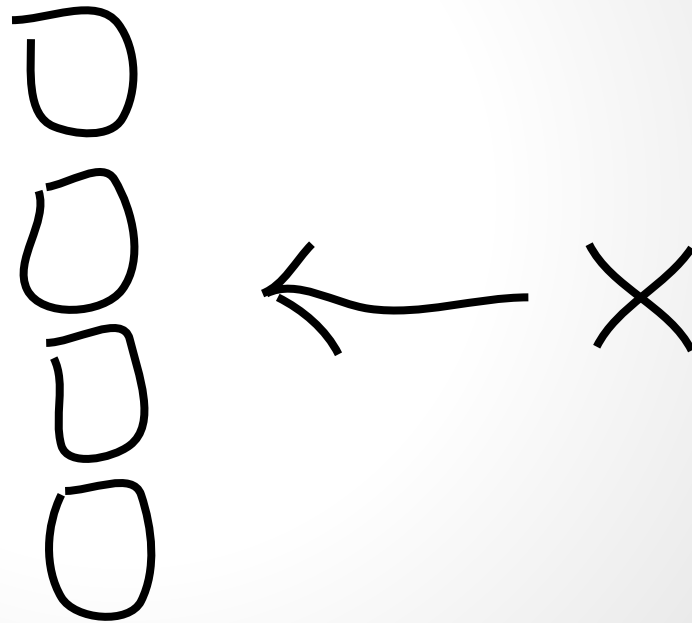
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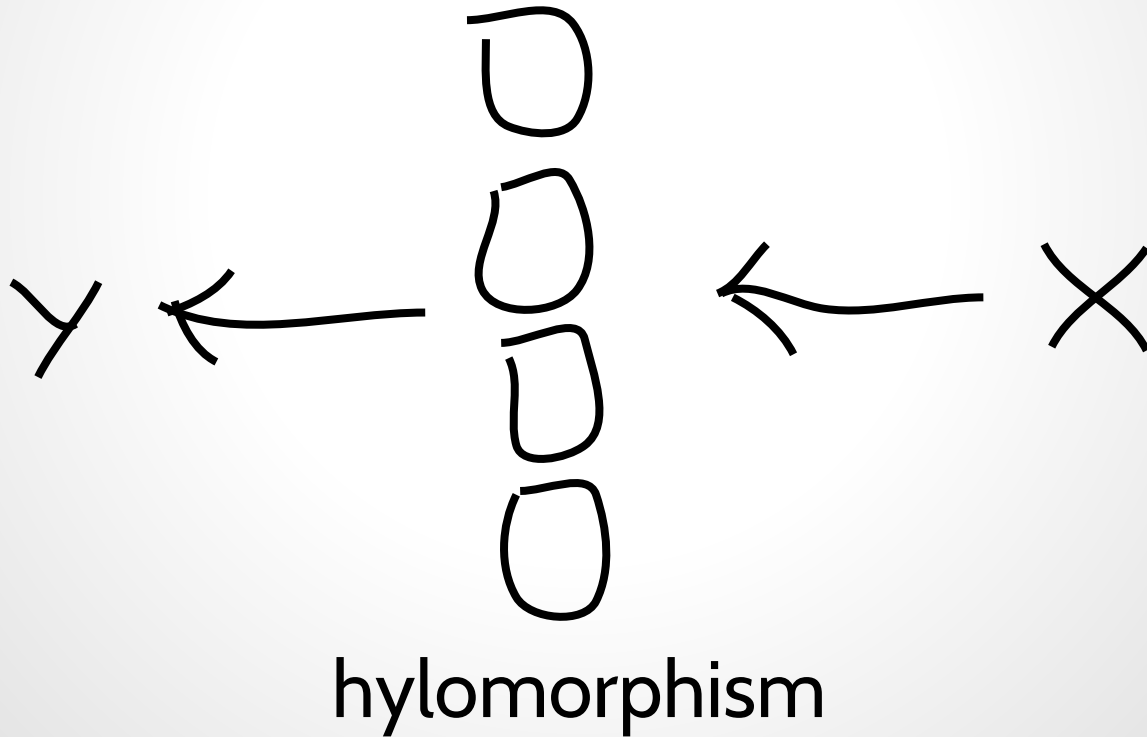
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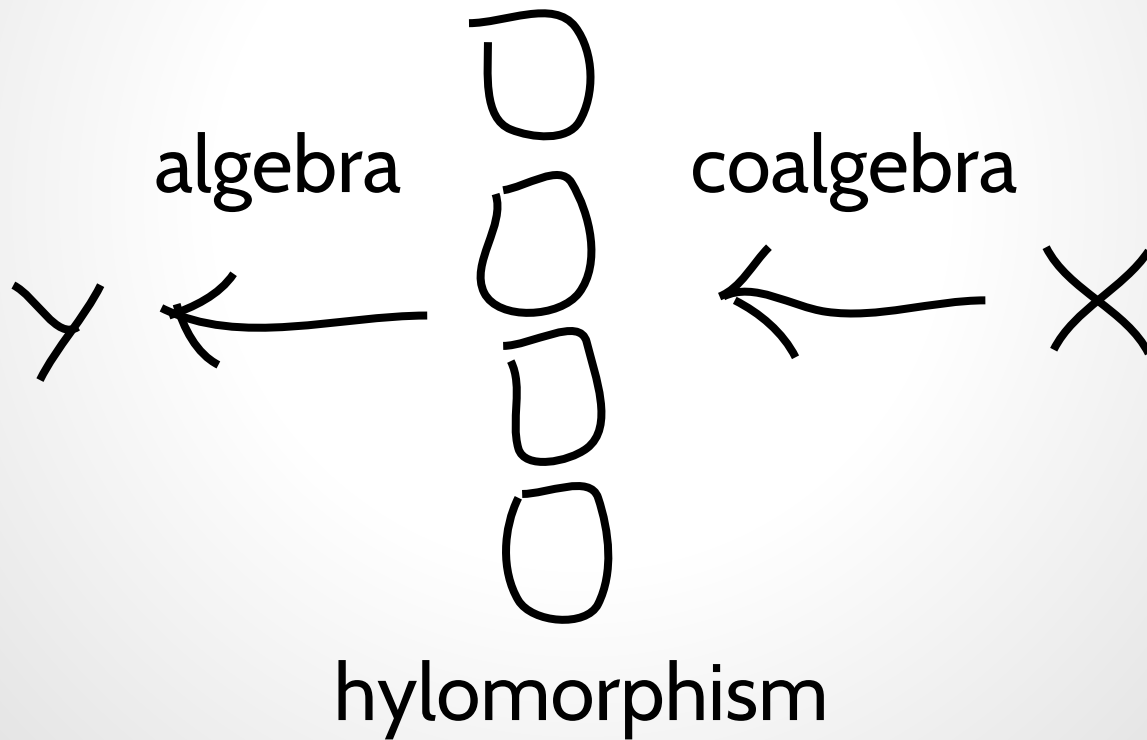
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```

where

```
dec 0 = Nothing
```

```
dec n = Just (n, n - 1)
```

The problem

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```
original :: [(Int, Bool)]
```

```
original =
```

```
  [ (1000, False)
    , (1001, True)
    , (1004, False)
    , (1006, False)
  ]
```

```
updates :: [(Int, Operation)]
```

```
updates =
```

```
  [ (1003, Delete)
    , (1004, Delete)
    , (1006, SetTrue)]
```

Naïve solution

```
processNaive :: [(Int, Operation)] -> [(Int, Bool)] -> [(Int, Bool)]  
processNaive us xs = foldr processOne xs us
```

```
processOne :: (Int, Operation) -> [(Int, Bool)] -> [(Int, Bool)]  
processOne (i, Delete) = filter ((/= i) . fst)  
processOne (i, SetTrue) = map (\(j, b) ->  
                                if i == j then (j, True) else (j, b))
```

Recursive solution

```
process :: [(Int, Operation)] -> [(Int, Bool)] -> [(Int, Bool)]
process _ [] = []
process [] xs = xs
process us@((i, op):us') xs@((j, b):xs') = case i `compare` j of
  LT -> process us' xs
  GT -> (j, b) : process us xs'
  EQ -> case op of
    Delete -> process us' xs'
    SetTrue -> (j, True) : process us' xs'
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A utility type and function

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```
mergeOrdLists :: (Ord k) =>
```

```
(a -> k) -> (b -> k) -> [a] -> [b] -> [OneOrBoth a b]
```

```
mergeOrdLists akey bkey as bs = unfoldr ca (as, bs)
```

where

```
ca (as@(a:as'), bs@(b:bs')) =
```

```
  case akey a `compare` bkey b of
```

```
    LT -> Just (A a, (as', bs))
```

```
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```

```
    EQ -> Just (AB a b, (as', bs'))
```

```
ca (a:as', [] ) = Just (A a, (as', [] ))
```

```
ca ([], b:bs') = Just (B b, ([], bs'))
```

```
ca ([], [] ) = Nothing
```


Hylomorphism solution

```
process :: [(Int, Operation)] -> [(Int, Bool)] -> [(Int, Bool)]
process ops src = mapMaybe f $ mergeOrdLists fst fst ops src
```

where

```
f (A _) = Nothing
f (B x) = Just x
f (AB (_, Delete) _) = Nothing
f (AB (_, SetTrue) (d, _)) = Just (d, True)
```

Advantages

- Recursion is separated from processing
- Known, named recursion pattern
- (given utility function) solution code is simpler
- Date matching is separated from operation processing
- mergeOrdLists is generic and useful elsewhere
- Still lazy
- Intermediate structure *could* be optimized away

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```
nil :: ListAbs e v a -> a
```

```
nil (ListAbs _ n) = n
```

```
cons :: e -> v -> ListAbs e v a -> a
```

```
cons e v (ListAbs c _) = c e v
```

An alternative approach

```
type ListAlg e a = ListAbs e a a
```

```
cataList :: ListAlg e a -> [e] -> a
```

```
cataList alg = go
```

```
where
```

```
  go (x:xs) = cons x (go xs) alg
```

```
  go []     = nil           alg
```


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```
type ListCoAlg v e = forall a. v -> ListAbs e v a -> a
```

```
anaList :: ListCoAlg v e -> v -> [e]
```

```
anaList f v = f v x
```

where

```
x = ListAbs (\e v -> e : f v x) []
```

An alternative approach

```
hyloList :: ListAlg e a -> ListCoAlg v e -> v -> a  
hyloList a ca = cataList a . anaList ca
```

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```
factorial :: Int -> Int
factorial = hylolist a ca
where
  a      = ListAbs (*) 1
  ca 0   = nil
  ca n   = cons n (n - 1)
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Look, no lists!

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data OneOrBothListAbs a b x r = OneOrBothListAbs
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```
class Cofunctor f where
  cofmap :: (b -> a) -> f a -> f b
```

```
instance Cofunctor (OneOrBothListAbs a b x) where
  cofmap f OneOrBothListAbs{..} = OneOrBothListAbs
    { consA  = \a r -> consA a (f r)
    , consB  = \ b r -> consB b (f r)
    , consAB = \a b r -> consAB a b (f r)
    , nil    = nil
    }
```


hyloOneOrBothList

type OneOrBothListAlg a b x = OneOrBothListAbs a b x x

type OneOrBothListCoalg a b r =
forall x . OneOrBothListAbs a b x r -> r -> x

hyloOneOrBothList :: OneOrBothListAlg a b x -> OneOrBothListCoalg a b r
-> r -> x

hyloOneOrBothList alg f = f'

where

f' = f (cofmap f' alg)

Generalised hylomorphism

type Alg f x = f x x

type Coalg f r = forall x . f x r -> r -> x

hylo :: (Cofunctor (f x)) => Alg f x -> Coalg f r -> r -> x

hylo alg f = f'

where

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Merge coalgebra

```
mergeOrdListsCoalg :: (Ord k) =>
  (a -> k) -> (b -> k) -> Coalg (OneOrBothListAbs a b) ([a], [b])
mergeOrdListsCoalg akey bkey OneOrBothListAbs{..} s =
  case s of
    (as@(a:as'), bs@(b:bs')) ->
      case akey a `compare` bkey b of
        LT -> consA a (as', bs )
        GT -> consB b (as , bs')
        EQ -> consAB a b (as', bs')
    (a:as', [] ) -> consA a (as', [] )
    ([], b:bs') -> consB b ([], bs')
    ([], [] ) -> nil
```

Process algebra

```
processAlg :: Alg (OneOrBothListAbs (Int, Operation) (Int, Bool))  
              [(Int, Bool)]
```

```
processAlg = OneOrBothListAbs{..}
```

where

```
consA  _           r = r  
consB  _           r = v : r  
consAB (_, Delete) (d, _) r = r  
consAB (_, SetTrue) (d, _) r = (d, True) : r  
nil    _           = []
```

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process :: [(Int, Operation)] -> [(Int, Bool)] -> [(Int, Bool)]
```

```
process ops src =
```

```
  hylo processAlg (mergeOrdListsCoalg fst fst) (ops, src)
```