

# Euclid's Algorithm

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**Summary.** The main goal of the paper is to prove the correctness of the Euclid's algorithm for **SCM**. We define the Euclid's algorithm and describe the natural semantics of it. Eventually we prove that the Euclid's algorithm computes the Euclid's function. Let us observe that the Euclid's function is defined as a function mapping finite partial states to finite partial states of **SCM** rather than pairs of integers to integers.

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The articles [8], [7], [9], [2], [3], [11], [1], [4], [12], [5], [13], [6], and [10] provide the notation and terminology for this paper.

## 1. PRELIMINARIES

One can prove the following propositions:

- (1) For all integers  $i, j$  such that  $i \geq 0$  and  $j \geq 0$  holds  $i \div j \geq 0$ .
- (2) For all integers  $i, j$  such that  $i \geq 0$  and  $j > 0$  holds  $|i \bmod j| = i \bmod j$  and  $|i \div j| = i \div j$ .

In the sequel  $i, k$  are natural numbers.

The scheme *Euklides'* deals with a unary functor  $\mathcal{F}$  yielding a natural number, a unary functor  $\mathcal{G}$  yielding a natural number, a natural number  $\mathcal{A}$ , and a natural number  $\mathcal{B}$ , and states that:

There exists  $k$  such that  $\mathcal{F}(k) = \gcd(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  and  $\mathcal{G}(k) = 0$

provided the parameters have the following properties:

- $0 < \mathcal{B}$ ,
- $\mathcal{B} < \mathcal{A}$ ,
- $\mathcal{F}(0) = \mathcal{A}$ ,
- $\mathcal{G}(0) = \mathcal{B}$ , and
- For every  $k$  such that  $\mathcal{G}(k) > 0$  holds  $\mathcal{F}(k+1) = \mathcal{G}(k)$  and  $\mathcal{G}(k+1) = \mathcal{F}(k) \bmod \mathcal{G}(k)$ .

## 2. EUCLID'S ALGORITHM

The Euclid's algorithm is a programmed finite partial state of **SCM** and is defined by:

(Def. 1) The Euclid's algorithm =  $(\mathbf{i}_0 \mapsto (\mathbf{d}_2 := \mathbf{d}_1)) + \cdot ((\mathbf{i}_1 \mapsto \text{Divide}(\mathbf{d}_0, \mathbf{d}_1)) + \cdot ((\mathbf{i}_2 \mapsto (\mathbf{d}_0 := \mathbf{d}_2)) + \cdot ((\mathbf{i}_3 \mapsto (\mathbf{if} \mathbf{d}_1 > 0 \mathbf{goto} \mathbf{i}_0)) + \cdot (\mathbf{i}_4 \mapsto \mathbf{halt}_{\text{SCM}}))))))$ .

One can prove the following proposition

$$(4)^1 \quad \text{dom}(\text{the Euclid's algorithm}) = \{\mathbf{i}_0, \mathbf{i}_1, \mathbf{i}_2, \mathbf{i}_3, \mathbf{i}_4\}.$$

### 3. THE NATURAL SEMANTICS OF THE EUCLID'S ALGORITHM

The following propositions are true:

- (5) Let  $s$  be a state of **SCM**. Suppose the Euclid's algorithm  $\subseteq s$ . Let given  $k$ . Suppose  $\mathbf{IC}_{(\text{Computation}(s))(k)} = \mathbf{i}_0$ . Then  $\mathbf{IC}_{(\text{Computation}(s))(k+1)} = \mathbf{i}_1$  and  $(\text{Computation}(s))(k+1)(\mathbf{d}_0) = (\text{Computation}(s))(k)(\mathbf{d}_0)$  and  $(\text{Computation}(s))(k+1)(\mathbf{d}_1) = (\text{Computation}(s))(k)(\mathbf{d}_1)$  and  $(\text{Computation}(s))(k+1)(\mathbf{d}_2) = (\text{Computation}(s))(k)(\mathbf{d}_1)$ .
- (6) Let  $s$  be a state of **SCM**. Suppose the Euclid's algorithm  $\subseteq s$ . Let given  $k$ . Suppose  $\mathbf{IC}_{(\text{Computation}(s))(k)} = \mathbf{i}_1$ . Then  $\mathbf{IC}_{(\text{Computation}(s))(k+1)} = \mathbf{i}_2$  and  $(\text{Computation}(s))(k+1)(\mathbf{d}_0) = (\text{Computation}(s))(k)(\mathbf{d}_0) \div (\text{Computation}(s))(k)(\mathbf{d}_1)$  and  $(\text{Computation}(s))(k+1)(\mathbf{d}_1) = (\text{Computation}(s))(k)(\mathbf{d}_0) \bmod (\text{Computation}(s))(k)(\mathbf{d}_1)$  and  $(\text{Computation}(s))(k+1)(\mathbf{d}_2) = (\text{Computation}(s))(k)(\mathbf{d}_2)$ .
- (7) Let  $s$  be a state of **SCM**. Suppose the Euclid's algorithm  $\subseteq s$ . Let given  $k$ . Suppose  $\mathbf{IC}_{(\text{Computation}(s))(k)} = \mathbf{i}_2$ . Then  $\mathbf{IC}_{(\text{Computation}(s))(k+1)} = \mathbf{i}_3$  and  $(\text{Computation}(s))(k+1)(\mathbf{d}_0) = (\text{Computation}(s))(k)(\mathbf{d}_2)$  and  $(\text{Computation}(s))(k+1)(\mathbf{d}_1) = (\text{Computation}(s))(k)(\mathbf{d}_1)$  and  $(\text{Computation}(s))(k+1)(\mathbf{d}_2) = (\text{Computation}(s))(k)(\mathbf{d}_2)$ .
- (8) Let  $s$  be a state of **SCM**. Suppose the Euclid's algorithm  $\subseteq s$ . Let given  $k$ . Suppose  $\mathbf{IC}_{(\text{Computation}(s))(k)} = \mathbf{i}_3$ . Then
- (i) if  $(\text{Computation}(s))(k)(\mathbf{d}_1) > 0$ , then  $\mathbf{IC}_{(\text{Computation}(s))(k+1)} = \mathbf{i}_0$ ,
  - (ii) if  $(\text{Computation}(s))(k)(\mathbf{d}_1) \leq 0$ , then  $\mathbf{IC}_{(\text{Computation}(s))(k+1)} = \mathbf{i}_4$ ,
  - (iii)  $(\text{Computation}(s))(k+1)(\mathbf{d}_0) = (\text{Computation}(s))(k)(\mathbf{d}_0)$ , and
  - (iv)  $(\text{Computation}(s))(k+1)(\mathbf{d}_1) = (\text{Computation}(s))(k)(\mathbf{d}_1)$ .
- (9) For every state  $s$  of **SCM** such that the Euclid's algorithm  $\subseteq s$  and for all  $k, i$  such that  $\mathbf{IC}_{(\text{Computation}(s))(k)} = \mathbf{i}_4$  holds  $(\text{Computation}(s))(k+i) = (\text{Computation}(s))(k)$ .
- (10) Let  $s$  be a state of **SCM**. Suppose  $s$  starts at  $\mathbf{i}_0$  and the Euclid's algorithm  $\subseteq s$ . Let  $x, y$  be integers. If  $s(\mathbf{d}_0) = x$  and  $s(\mathbf{d}_1) = y$  and  $x > 0$  and  $y > 0$ , then  $(\text{Result}(s))(\mathbf{d}_0) = x \text{ gcd } y$ .

The Euclid's function is a partial function from  $\text{FinPartSt}(\mathbf{SCM})$  to  $\text{FinPartSt}(\mathbf{SCM})$  and is defined by the condition (Def. 2).

(Def. 2) Let  $p, q$  be finite partial states of **SCM**. Then  $\langle p, q \rangle \in$  the Euclid's function if and only if there exist integers  $x, y$  such that  $x > 0$  and  $y > 0$  and  $p = [\mathbf{d}_0 \mapsto x, \mathbf{d}_1 \mapsto y]$  and  $q = \mathbf{d}_0 \mapsto (x \text{ gcd } y)$ .

One can prove the following propositions:

- (11) Let  $p$  be a set. Then  $p \in \text{dom}(\text{the Euclid's function})$  if and only if there exist integers  $x, y$  such that  $x > 0$  and  $y > 0$  and  $p = [\mathbf{d}_0 \mapsto x, \mathbf{d}_1 \mapsto y]$ .
- (12) For all integers  $i, j$  such that  $i > 0$  and  $j > 0$  holds  $(\text{the Euclid's function})([\mathbf{d}_0 \mapsto i, \mathbf{d}_1 \mapsto j]) = \mathbf{d}_0 \mapsto (i \text{ gcd } j)$ .
- (13)  $\text{Start-At}(\mathbf{i}_0) + \cdot (\text{the Euclid's algorithm})$  computes the Euclid's function.

<sup>1</sup> The proposition (3) has been removed.

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