Haskell-style type classes with Isabelle/Isar

Florian Haftmann

20 February 2021

Abstract

This tutorial introduces Isar type classes, which are a convenient mechanism for organizing specifications. Essentially, they combine an operational aspect (in the manner of Haskell) with a logical aspect, both managed uniformly.
1 Introduction

Type classes were introduced by Wadler and Blott [8] into the Haskell language to allow for a reasonable implementation of overloading\(^1\). As a canonical example, a polymorphic equality function \( eq :: \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha \Rightarrow \text{bool} \) which is overloaded on different types for \( \alpha \), which is achieved by splitting introduction of the \( eq \) function from its overloaded definitions by means of \( \text{class} \) and \( \text{instance} \) declarations:\(^2\)

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{class eq where} \\
eq :: \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha \Rightarrow \text{bool} \\
\text{instance nat :: eq where} \\
eq 0 0 = \text{True} \\
eq 0 - = \text{False} \\
eq 0 - = \text{False} \\
eq (\text{Suc } n) (\text{Suc } m) = \text{eq } n \text{ } m \\
\text{instance } (\alpha::eq, \beta::eq) \text{ pair :: eq where} \\
eq (x1, y1) (x2, y2) = eq x1 x2 \land eq y1 y2 \\
\text{class ord extends eq where} \\
\text{less-eq :: } \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha \Rightarrow \text{bool} \\
\text{less :: } \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha \Rightarrow \text{bool}
\end{align*}
\]

Type variables are annotated with (finitely many) classes; these annotations are assertions that a particular polymorphic type provides definitions for overloaded functions.

Indeed, type classes not only allow for simple overloading but form a generic calculus, an instance of order-sorted algebra [5, 6, 10].

From a software engineering point of view, type classes roughly correspond to interfaces in object-oriented languages like Java; so, it is naturally desirable that type classes do not only provide functions (class parameters) but also state specifications implementations must obey. For example, the \( \text{class eq} \) above could be given the following specification, demanding that \( \text{class eq} \) is an equivalence relation obeying reflexivity, symmetry and transitivity:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{class eq where} \\
\text{eq :: } \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha \Rightarrow \text{bool} \\
\text{satisfying}
\end{align*}
\]

\(^1\) throughout this tutorial, we are referring to classical Haskell 1.0 type classes, not considering later additions in expressiveness

\(^2\) syntax here is a kind of isabellized Haskell
2 A SIMPLE ALGEBRA EXAMPLE

refl: eq x x
sym: eq x y \iff eq x y
trans: eq x y \land eq y z \rightarrow eq x z

From a theoretical point of view, type classes are lightweight modules; Haskell type classes may be emulated by SML functors [9]. Isabelle/Isar offers a discipline of type classes which brings all those aspects together:

1. specifying abstract parameters together with corresponding specifications,
2. instantiating those abstract parameters by a particular type
3. in connection with a “less ad-hoc” approach to overloading,
4. with a direct link to the Isabelle module system: locales [3].

Isar type classes also directly support code generation in a Haskell like fashion. Internally, they are mapped to more primitive Isabelle concepts [2].

This tutorial demonstrates common elements of structured specifications and abstract reasoning with type classes by the algebraic hierarchy of semigroups, monoids and groups. Our background theory is that of Isabelle/HOL [7], for which some familiarity is assumed.

2 A simple algebra example

2.1 Class definition

Depending on an arbitrary type \( \alpha \), class \textit{semigroup} introduces a binary operator (\( \otimes \)) that is assumed to be associative:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{class } \text{semigroup} = \\
\text{fixes } \text{mult} :: \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha \quad (\text{infixl } \otimes 70) \\
\text{assumes } \text{assoc}: (x \otimes y) \otimes z = x \otimes (y \otimes z)
\end{align*}
\]

This \texttt{class} specification consists of two parts: the \textit{operational} part names the class parameter (\texttt{fixes}), the \textit{logical} part specifies properties on them (\texttt{assumes}). The local \texttt{fixes} and \texttt{assumes} are lifted to the theory toplevel, yielding the global parameter \texttt{mult} :: \( \alpha::\text{semigroup} \Rightarrow \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha \) and the global theorem \texttt{semigroup.assoc}: \( \forall x y z :: \alpha::\text{semigroup}. (x \otimes y) \otimes z = x \otimes (y \otimes z) \).
2.2 Class instantiation

The concrete type \texttt{int} is made a \textit{semigroup} instance by providing a suitable definition for the class parameter \((\otimes)\) and a proof for the specification of \textit{assoc}. This is accomplished by the \texttt{instantiation} target:

\begin{verbatim}
instantiation int :: semigroup
begin

definition
  mult-int-def: i \otimes j = i + (j::int)

instance proof
  fix i j k :: int have (i + j) + k = i + (j + k) by simp
  then show (i \otimes j) \otimes k = i \otimes (j \otimes k)
    unfolding mult-int-def.
qed

end
\end{verbatim}

\texttt{instantiation} defines class parameters at a particular instance using common specification tools (here, \texttt{definition}). The concluding \texttt{instance} opens a proof that the given parameters actually conform to the class specification. Note that the first proof step is the \textit{standard} method, which for such instance proofs maps to the \textit{intro-classes} method. This reduces an instance judgement to the relevant primitive proof goals; typically it is the first method applied in an instantiation proof.

From now on, the type-checker will consider \texttt{int} as a \textit{semigroup} automatically, i.e. any general results are immediately available on concrete instances.

Another instance of \textit{semigroup} yields the natural numbers:

\begin{verbatim}
instantiation nat :: semigroup
begin

primrec mult-nat where
  (0::nat) \otimes n = n
  | Suc m \otimes n = Suc (m \otimes n)

instance proof
  fix m n q :: nat
  show m \otimes n \otimes q = m \otimes (n \otimes q)
    by (induct m) auto
\end{verbatim}
Note the occurrence of the name \textit{mult-nat} in the \texttt{primrec} declaration; by default, the local name of a class operation \( f \) to be instantiated on type constructor \( \kappa \) is mangled as \( f\kappa \). In case of uncertainty, these names may be inspected using the \texttt{print-context} command.

\section{Lifting and parametric types}

Overloaded definitions given at a class instantiation may include recursion over the syntactic structure of types. As a canonical example, we model product semigroups using our simple algebra:

\begin{verbatim}
instantiation prod :: (semigroup, semigroup) semigroup
begin

definition mult-prod-def: p_1 \otimes p_2 = (fst p_1 \otimes fst p_2, snd p_1 \otimes snd p_2)

instance proof
  fix p_1 p_2 p_3 :: \alpha::semigroup \times \beta::semigroup
  show p_1 \otimes p_2 \otimes p_3 = p_1 \otimes (p_2 \otimes p_3)
  unfolding mult-prod-def by (simp add: assoc)
qed
end
\end{verbatim}

Associativity of product semigroups is established using the definition of \((\otimes)\) on products and the hypothetical associativity of the type components; these hypotheses are legitimate due to the \texttt{semigroup} constraints imposed on the type components by the \texttt{instance} proposition. Indeed, this pattern often occurs with parametric types and type classes.

\section{Subclassing}

We define a subclass \texttt{monoidl} (a semigroup with a left-hand neutral) by extending \texttt{semigroup} with one additional parameter \texttt{neutral} together with its characteristic property:
class monoidl = semigroup +
  fixes neutral :: α (1)
  assumes neutl: 1 ⊗ x = x

Again, we prove some instances, by providing suitable parameter definitions and proofs for the additional specifications. Observe that instantiations for types with the same arity may be simultaneous:

instantiation nat and int :: monoidl
begin

  definition neutral-nat-def: 1 = (0::nat)

  definition neutral-int-def: 1 = (0::int)

instance proof
  fix n :: nat
  show 1 ⊗ n = n
    unfolding neutral-nat-def by simp

next
  fix k :: int
  show 1 ⊗ k = k
    unfolding neutral-int-def mult-int-def by simp

qed
end

instantiation prod :: (monoidl, monoidl) monoidl
begin

  definition neutral-prod-def: 1 = (1, 1)

instance proof
  fix p :: α::monoidl × β::monoidl
  show 1 ⊗ p = p
    unfolding neutral-prod-def mult-prod-def by (simp add: neutl)

qed
end
Fully-fledged monoids are modelled by another subclass, which does not add new parameters but tightens the specification:

```plaintext
class monoid = monoidl +
assumes neutr: x ⊗ 1 = x

instantiation nat and int :: monoid
begin

instance proof
  fix n :: nat
  show n ⊗ 1 = n
    unfolding neutral-nat-def by (induct n) simp-all
  next
  fix k :: int
  show k ⊗ 1 = k
    unfolding neutral-int-def mult-int-def by simp
  qed
end

instantiation prod :: (monoid, monoid) monoid
begin

instance proof
  fix p :: α::monoid × β::monoid
  show p ⊗ 1 = p
    unfolding neutral-prod-def mult-prod-def by (simp add: neutr)
  qed
end
```

To finish our small algebra example, we add a `group` class with a corresponding instance:

```plaintext
class group = monoidl +
fixes inverse :: α ⇒ α  ((·⁻¹) [1000] 999)
assumes invl: x⁻¹ ⊗ x = 1

instantiation int :: group
begin

definition
inverse-int-def: \( i \div = -(i::int) \)

instance proof
  fix \( i :: \text{int} \)
  have \(-i + i = 0\) by simp
  then show \( i \div \otimes i = 1\)
    unfolding mult-int-def neutral-int-def inverse-int-def .
  qed

end

3 Type classes as locales

3.1 A look behind the scenes

The example above gives an impression how Isar type classes work in practice. As stated in the introduction, classes also provide a link to Isar’s locale system. Indeed, the logical core of a class is nothing other than a locale:

```
class idem =
  fixes \( f :: \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha \)
  assumes idem: \( f (f x) = f x \)
```

essentially introduces the locale

```
locale idem =
  fixes \( f :: \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha \)
  assumes idem: \( f (f x) = f x \)
```

together with corresponding constant(s):

```
consts \( f :: \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha \)
```

The connection to the type system is done by means of a primitive type class \textit{idem}, together with a corresponding interpretation:

```
interpretation idem-class:
  idem \( f :: (\alpha::idem) \Rightarrow \alpha \)
```

This gives you the full power of the Isabelle module system; conclusions in locale \textit{idem} are implicitly propagated to class \textit{idem}. 
3.2 Abstract reasoning

Isabelle locales enable reasoning at a general level, while results are implicitly transferred to all instances. For example, we can now establish the left-cancel lemma for groups, which states that the function \((x \otimes)\) is injective:

\[
\text{lemma (in group) left-cancel: } x \otimes y = x \otimes z \iff y = z
\]

\text{proof}

\begin{itemize}
  \item assume \(x \otimes y = x \otimes z\)
  \item then have \(x \div \otimes (x \otimes y) = x \div \otimes (x \otimes z)\) by simp
  \item then have \((x \div \otimes x) \otimes y = (x \div \otimes x) \otimes z\) using assoc by simp
  \item then show \(y = z\) using neutl and invl by simp
\end{itemize}

\text{next}

\begin{itemize}
  \item assume \(y = z\)
  \item then show \(x \otimes y = x \otimes z\) by simp
\end{itemize}

\text{qed}

Here the \texttt{“in group}” target specification indicates that the result is recorded within that context for later use. This local theorem is also lifted to the global one \texttt{group.left-cancel}: \(\forall x y z :: \alpha :: \text{group}. x \otimes y = x \otimes z \iff y = z\). Since type \texttt{int} has been made an instance of \texttt{group} before, we may refer to that fact as well: \(\forall x y z :: \text{int}. x \otimes y = x \otimes z \iff y = z\).

3.3 Derived definitions

Isabelle locales are targets which support local definitions:

\[
\text{primrec (in monoid) pow-nat :: nat } \Rightarrow \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha \text{ where}
\]

\begin{itemize}
  \item pow-nat 0 \(x\) = \(1\)
  \item pow-nat \((\text{Suc } n)\) \(x\) = \(x \otimes \text{pow-nat } n \ x\)
\end{itemize}

If the locale \texttt{group} is also a class, this local definition is propagated onto a global definition of \texttt{pow-nat :: nat } \Rightarrow \alpha :: \text{monoid } \Rightarrow \alpha :: \text{monoid} with corresponding theorems

\begin{itemize}
  \item pow-nat 0 \(x\) = \(1\)
  \item pow-nat \((\text{Suc } n)\) \(x\) = \(x \otimes \text{pow-nat } n \ x\)
\end{itemize}

As you can see from this example, for local definitions you may use any specification tool which works together with locales, such as Krauss’s recursive function package [4].
3.4 A functor analogy

We introduced Isar classes by analogy to type classes in functional programming; if we reconsider this in the context of what has been said about type classes and locales, we can drive this analogy further by stating that type classes essentially correspond to functors that have a canonical interpretation as type classes. There is also the possibility of other interpretations. For example, lists also form a monoid with append and [] as operations, but it seems inappropriate to apply to lists the same operations as for genuinely algebraic types. In such a case, we can simply make a particular interpretation of monoids for lists:

```
interpretation list-monoid: monoid append []
proof qed auto
```

This enables us to apply facts on monoids to lists, e.g. [] @ x = x.

When using this interpretation pattern, it may also be appropriate to map derived definitions accordingly:

```
primrec replicate :: nat ⇒ α list ⇒ α list where
  replicate 0 - = []
  | replicate (Suc n) xs = xs @ replicate n xs

interpretation list-monoid: monoid append [] rewrites
  monoid.pow-nat append [] = replicate

proof
  interpret monoid append []..
  show monoid.pow-nat append [] = replicate
  proof
    fix n
    show monoid.pow-nat append [] n = replicate n
    by (induct n) auto
  qed
  qed intro-locales
```

This pattern is also helpful to reuse abstract specifications on the same type. For example, think of a class preorder; for type nat, there are at least two possible instances: the natural order or the order induced by the divides relation. But only one of these instances can be used for instantiation; using the locale behind the class preorder, it is still possible to utilise the same abstract specification again using interpretation.
3.5 Additional subclass relations

Any group is also a monoid; this can be made explicit by claiming an additional subclass relation, together with a proof of the logical difference:

subclass (in group) monoid
proof
  fix x
  from invl have \( x \div \otimes x = 1 \) by simp
with assoc [symmetric] neutl invl have \( x \div \otimes (x \otimes 1) = x \div \otimes x \) by simp
with left-cancel show \( x \otimes 1 = x \) by simp
qed

The logical proof is carried out on the locale level. Afterwards it is propagated to the type system, making group an instance of monoid by adding an additional edge to the graph of subclass relations (figure 1).

Figure 1: Subclass relationship of monoids and groups: before and after establishing the relationship group \( \subseteq \) monoid; transitive edges are left out.

For illustration, a derived definition in group using pow-nat

definition (in group) pow-int :: int \( \Rightarrow \) \( \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha \) where
pow-int k x = (if k >= 0
  then pow-nat (nat k) x
  else (pow-nat (nat (- k)) x)÷)

yields the global definition of pow-int :: int \( \Rightarrow \alpha::\text{group} \Rightarrow \alpha::\text{group} \) with the corresponding theorem pow-int k x = (if 0 \( \leq \) k then pow-nat (nat k) x else (pow-nat (nat (- k)) x)÷).
3.6 A note on syntax

As a convenience, class context syntax allows references to local class operations and their global counterparts uniformly; type inference resolves ambiguities. For example:

\begin{verbatim}
context semigroup
begin

term x ⊗ y — example 1

term (x::nat) ⊗ y — example 2

end

term x ⊗ y — example 3
\end{verbatim}

Here in example 1, the term refers to the local class operation \texttt{mult} [$\alpha$], whereas in example 2 the type constraint enforces the global class operation \texttt{mult} [\texttt{nat}]. In the global context in example 3, the reference is to the polymorphic global class operation \texttt{mult} [$\forall \alpha :: \textit{semigroup}$].

4 Further issues

4.1 Type classes and code generation

Turning back to the first motivation for type classes, namely overloading, it is obvious that overloading stemming from \texttt{class} statements and \texttt{instantiation} targets naturally maps to Haskell type classes. The code generator framework [1] takes this into account. If the target language (e.g. SML) lacks type classes, then they are implemented by an explicit dictionary construction. As example, let’s go back to the power function:

\begin{verbatim}
definition example :: int where
example = pow-int 10 (-2)
\end{verbatim}

This maps to Haskell as follows:

\begin{verbatim}
{-# LANGUAGE EmptyDataDecls, RankNTypes, ScopedTypeVariables #-}
module Example(Num, Int, example) where {

import Prelude ((=), (/=), (\<\), (\<=\), (\>=\), (\>\), (+), (-), (*), (/),

\end{verbatim}
(**, (>>=), (>>), (=<<), (&&), (||), (\), (\~), (.), ($), ($!), (++)
, (!!!), Eq, error, id, return, not, fst, snd, map, filter, concat,
concatMap, reverse, zip, null, takeWhile, dropWhile, all, any, Integer,
negate, abs, divMod, String, Bool(True, False), Maybe(Nothing, Just));
import qualified Prelude;

data Num = One | Bit0 Num | Bit1 Num;

data Int = Zero_int | Pos Num | Neg Num;

neutral_int :: Int;
neutral_int = Zero_int;

plus_num :: Num -> Num -> Num;
plus_num (Bit1 m) (Bit1 n) = Bit0 (plus_num (plus_num m n) One);
plus_num (Bit1 m) (Bit0 n) = Bit1 (plus_num m n);
plus_num (Bit1 m) One = Bit0 (plus_num m One);
plus_num (Bit0 m) (Bit1 n) = Bit1 (plus_num m n);
plus_num (Bit0 m) (Bit0 n) = Bit0 (plus_num m n);
plus_num (Bit0 m) One = Bit1 m;
plus_num One (Bit1 n) = Bit0 (plus_num n One);
plus_num One (Bit0 n) = Bit1 n;
plus_num One One = Bit0 One;

uminus_int :: Int -> Int;
uminus_int (Neg m) = Pos m;
uminus_int (Pos m) = Neg m;
uminus_int Zero_int = Zero_int;

one_int :: Int;
one_int = Pos One;

bitM :: Num -> Num;
bitM One = One;
bitM (Bit0 n) = Bit1 (bitM n);
bitM (Bit1 n) = Bit1 (Bit0 n);

dup :: Int -> Int;
dup (Neg n) = Neg (Bit0 n);
dup (Pos n) = Pos (Bit0 n);
dup Zero_int = Zero_int;

plus_int :: Int -> Int -> Int;
plus_int (Neg m) (Neg n) = Neg (plus_num m n);
plus_int (Neg m) (Pos n) = sub n m;
plus_int (Pos m) (Neg n) = sub m n;
plus_int (Pos m) (Pos n) = Pos (plus_num m n);
plus_int Zero_int l = l;
plus_int k Zero_int = k;
sub :: Num -> Num -> Int;
sub (Bit0 m) (Bit1 n) = minus_int (dup (sub m n)) one_int;
sub (Bit1 m) (Bit0 n) = plus_int (dup (sub m n)) one_int;
sub (Bit1 m) (Bit1 n) = dup (sub m n);
sub (Bit0 m) (Bit0 n) = dup (sub m n);
sub One (Bit1 n) = Neg (Bit0 n);
sub One (Bit0 n) = Neg (bitM n);
sub (Bit1 m) One = Pos (Bit0 m);
sub (Bit0 m) One = Pos (bitM m);
sub One One = Zero_int;

minus_int :: Int -> Int -> Int;
minus_int (Neg m) (Neg n) = sub n m;
minus_int (Neg m) (Pos n) = Neg (plus_num m n);
minus_int (Pos m) (Neg n) = Pos (plus_num m n);
minus_int (Pos m) (Pos n) = sub m n;
minus_int Zero_int l = uminus_int l;
minus_int k Zero_int = k;

mult_int :: Int -> Int -> Int;
mult_int i j = plus_int i j;

inverse_int :: Int -> Int;
inverse_int i = uminus_int i;

class Semigroup a where {
    mult :: a -> a -> a;
};

class (Semigroup a) => Monoidl a where {
    neutral :: a;
};

class (Monoidl a) => Monoid a where {
};

class (Monoidl a) => Group a where {
    inverse :: a -> a;
};

instance Semigroup Int where {
    mult = mult_int;
};

instance Monoidl Int where {
    neutral = neutral_int;
};
instance Monoid Int where {
    
};

instance Group Int where {
    inverse = inverse_int;
};

data Nat = Zero_nat | Suc Nat;

plus_nat :: Nat -> Nat -> Nat;
plus_nat (Suc m) n = plus_nat m (Suc n);
plus_nat Zero_nat n = n;

one_nat :: Nat;
one_nat = Suc Zero_nat;

nat_of_num :: Num -> Nat;
nat_of_num (Bit1 n) = let {
    m = nat_of_num n;
} in Suc (plus_nat m m);
nat_of_num (Bit0 n) = let {
    m = nat_of_num n;
} in plus_nat m m;
nat_of_num One = one_nat;

nat :: Int -> Nat;
nat (Pos k) = nat_of_num k;
nat Zero_int = Zero_nat;
nat (Neg k) = Zero_nat;

less_eq_num :: Num -> Num -> Bool;
less_eq_num (Bit1 m) (Bit0 n) = less_num m n;
less_eq_num (Bit1 m) (Bit1 n) = less_eq_num m n;
less_eq_num (Bit0 m) (Bit1 n) = less_eq_num m n;
less_eq_num (Bit0 m) (Bit0 n) = less_eq_num m n;
less_eq_num (Bit1 m) One = False;
less_eq_num (Bit0 m) One = False;
less_eq_num One n = True;

less_num :: Num -> Num -> Bool;
less_num (Bit1 m) (Bit0 n) = less_num m n;
less_num (Bit1 m) (Bit1 n) = less_num m n;
less_num (Bit0 m) (Bit1 n) = less_eq_num m n;
less_num (Bit0 m) (Bit0 n) = less_num m n;
less_num One (Bit1 n) = True;
less_num One (Bit0 n) = True;
less_num m One = False;

less_eq_int :: Int -> Int -> Bool;
The code in SML has explicit dictionary passing:

```sml
structure Example : sig
  type num
  type int
  val example : int
end = struct

datatype num = One | Bit0 of num | Bit1 of num;

datatype int = Zero_int | Pos of num | Neg of num;

val neutral_int : int = Zero_int;

fun plus_num (Bit1 m) (Bit1 n) = Bit0 (plus_num (plus_num m n) One) |
  plus_num (Bit1 m) (Bit0 n) = Bit1 (plus_num m n) |
  plus_num (Bit1 m) One = Bit0 (plus_num m One) |
  plus_num (Bit0 m) (Bit1 n) = Bit1 (plus_num m n) |
  plus_num (Bit0 m) (Bit0 n) = Bit0 (plus_num m n) |
  plus_num (Bit0 m) One = Bit1 m |
  plus_num One (Bit1 n) = Bit0 (plus_num n One) |
  plus_num One (Bit0 n) = Bit1 n |
  plus_num One One = Bit0 One;
```
fun uminus_int (Neg m) = Pos m
  | uminus_int (Pos m) = Neg m
  | uminus_int Zero_int = Zero_int;

val one_int : int = Pos One;

fun bitM One = One
  | bitM (Bit0 n) = Bit1 (bitM n)
  | bitM (Bit1 n) = Bit1 (Bit0 n);

fun dup (Neg n) = Neg (Bit0 n)
  | dup (Pos n) = Pos (Bit0 n)
  | dup Zero_int = Zero_int;

fun plus_int (Neg m) (Neg n) = Neg (plus_num m n)
  | plus_int (Neg m) (Pos n) = sub n m
  | plus_int (Pos m) (Neg n) = Pos (plus_num m n)
  | plus_int (Pos m) (Pos n) = Pos (plus_num m n)
  | plus_int Zero_int l = l
  | plus_int k Zero_int = k

and sub (Bit0 m) (Bit1 n) = minus_int (dup (sub m n)) one_int
  | sub (Bit1 m) (Bit0 n) = plus_int (dup (sub m n)) one_int
  | sub (Bit1 m) (Bit1 n) = dup (sub m n)
  | sub (Bit0 m) (Bit0 n) = dup (sub m n)
  | sub One (Bit1 n) = Neg (Bit0 n)
  | sub One (Bit0 n) = Neg (bitM n)
  | sub (Bit1 m) One = Pos (Bit0 m)
  | sub (Bit0 m) One = Pos (bitM m)
  | sub One One = Zero_int

and minus_int (Neg m) (Neg n) = sub n m
  | minus_int (Neg m) (Pos n) = Neg (plus_num m n)
  | minus_int (Pos m) (Neg n) = Pos (plus_num m n)
  | minus_int (Pos m) (Pos n) = sub m n
  | minus_int Zero_int l = uminus_int l
  | minus_int k Zero_int = k;

fun mult_int i j = plus_int i j;

fun inverse_int i = uminus_int i;

type 'a semigroup = {mult : 'a -> 'a -> 'a};
val mult = #mult : 'a semigroup -> 'a -> 'a -> 'a;

type 'a monoidl = {semigroup_monoidl : 'a semigroup, neutral : 'a};
val semigroup_monoidl = #semigroup_monoidl : 'a monoidl -> 'a semigroup;
val neutral = #neutral : 'a monoidl -> 'a;

type 'a monoid = {monoidl_monoid : 'a monoidl};
val monoidl_monoid = #monoidl_monoid : 'a monoid -> 'a monoidl;
type 'a group = {monoid_group : 'a monoid, inverse : 'a -> 'a};
val monoid_group = #monoid_group : 'a group -> 'a monoid;
val inverse = #inverse : 'a group -> 'a -> 'a;

val semigroup_int = {mult = mult_int} : int semigroup;
val monoidl_int = 
  {semigroup_monoidl = semigroup_int, neutral = neutral_int} : int monoidl;
val monoid_int = {monoidl_monoid = monoidl_int} : int monoid;
val group_int = {monoid_group = monoid_int, inverse = inverse_int} : int group;

datatype nat = Zero_nat | Suc of nat;
fun plus_nat (Suc m) n = plus_nat m (Suc n) 
  | plus_nat Zero_nat n = n;
val one_nat : nat = Suc Zero_nat;

fun nat_of_num (Bit1 n) = let
  val m = nat_of_num n;
  in
  Suc (plus_nat m m)
  end
| nat_of_num (Bit0 n) = let
  val m = nat_of_num n;
  in
  plus_nat m m
  end
| nat_of_num One = one_nat;

fun nat (Pos k) = nat_of_num k 
  | nat Zero_int = Zero_nat 
  | nat (Neg k) = Zero_nat;
fun less_eq_num (Bit1 m) (Bit0 n) = less_num m n 
  | less_eq_num (Bit1 m) (Bit1 n) = less_eq_num m n 
  | less_eq_num (Bit0 m) (Bit1 n) = less_eq_num m n 
  | less_eq_num (Bit0 m) (Bit0 n) = less_eq_num m n 
  | less_eq_num (Bit1 m) One = false 
  | less_eq_num (Bit0 m) One = false 
  | less_eq_num One n = true 
and less_num (Bit1 m) (Bit0 n) = less_num m n 
  | less_num (Bit1 m) (Bit1 n) = less_num m n 
  | less_num (Bit0 m) (Bit1 n) = less_num m n 
  | less_num (Bit0 m) (Bit0 n) = less_eq_num m n
In Scala, implicits are used as dictionaries:
case (Bit0(m), Bit1(n)) => Bit1(plus_num(m, n))
case (Bit0(m), Bit0(n)) => Bit0(plus_num(m, n))
case (Bit0(m), One()) => Bit1(m)
case (One(), Bit1(n)) => Bit0(plus_num(n, One()))
case (One(), Bit0(n)) => Bit1(n)
case (One(), One()) => Bit0(One())
}

def uminus_int(x0: int): int = x0 match {
  case Neg(m) => Pos(m)
  case Pos(m) => Neg(m)
  case zero_int() => zero_int()
}

def one_int: int = Pos(One())

def BitM(x0: num): num = x0 match {
  case One() => One()
  case Bit0(n) => Bit1(BitM(n))
  case Bit1(n) => Bit1(Bit0(n))
}

def dup(x0: int): int = x0 match {
  case Neg(n) => Neg(Bit0(n))
  case Pos(n) => Pos(Bit0(n))
  case zero_int() => zero_int()
}

def minus_int(k: int, l: int): int = (k, l) match {
  case (Neg(m), Neg(n)) => sub(n, m)
  case (Neg(m), Pos(n)) => Neg(plus_num(m, n))
  case (Pos(m), Neg(n)) => Pos(plus_num(m, n))
  case (Pos(m), Pos(n)) => sub(m, n)
  case (zero_int(), l) => uminus_int(l)
  case (k, zero_int()) => k
}

def sub(x0: num, x1: num): int = (x0, x1) match {
  case (Bit0(m), Bit1(n)) => minus_int(dup(sub(m, n)), one_int)
  case (Bit1(m), Bit0(n)) => plus_int(dup(sub(m, n)), one_int)
  case (Bit1(m), Bit1(n)) => dup(sub(m, n))
  case (Bit0(m), Bit0(n)) => dup(sub(m, n))
  case (One(), Bit1(n)) => Neg(Bit0(n))
  case (One(), Bit0(n)) => Neg(BitM(n))
  case (Bit1(m), One()) => Pos(Bit0(n))
  case (Bit0(m), One()) => Pos(BitM(n))
  case (One(), One()) => zero_int()
}
def plus_int(k: int, l: int): int = (k, l) match {
  case (Neg(m), Neg(n)) => Neg(plus_num(m, n))
  case (Neg(m), Pos(n)) => sub(n, m)
  case (Pos(m), Neg(n)) => sub(m, n)
  case (Pos(m), Pos(n)) => Pos(plus_num(m, n))
  case (zero_int(), l) => l
  case (k, zero_int()) => k
}

def mult_int(i: int, j: int): int = plus_int(i, j)

def inverse_int(i: int): int = uminus_int(i)

trait semigroup[A] {
  val 'Example.mult': (A, A) => A
}

def mult[A](a: A, b: A)(implicit A: semigroup[A]): A = A.'Example.mult'(a, b)

object semigroup{
  implicit def 'Example.semigroup_int': semigroup[int] = new semigroup[int] {
    val 'Example.mult' = (a: int, b: int) => mult_int(a, b)
  }
}

trait monoidl[A] extends semigroup[A] {
  val 'Example.neutral': A
}

object monoidl{
  implicit def 'Example.monoidl_int': monoidl[int] = new monoidl[int] {
    val 'Example.neutral' = neutral_int
    val 'Example.mult' = (a: int, b: int) => mult_int(a, b)
  }
}

trait monoid[A] extends monoidl[A] {
}

object monoid{
  implicit def 'Example.monoid_int': monoid[int] = new monoid[int] {
    val 'Example.neutral' = neutral_int
    val 'Example.mult' = (a: int, b: int) => mult_int(a, b)
  }
}

trait group[A] extends monoid[A] {
  val 'Example.inverse': A => A
}

object group{
  implicit def 'Example.group_int': group[int] = new group[int] {
    val 'Example.neutral' = neutral_int
    val 'Example.mult' = (a: int, b: int) => mult_int(a, b)
  }
}

trait group[A] extends monoid[A] {
  val 'Example.inverse': A => A
}

def inverse[A](a: A)(implicit A: group[A]): A = A.'Example.inverse'(a)
object group {
  implicit def 'Example.group_int': group[int] = new group[int] {
    val 'Example.inverse' = (a: int) => inverse_int(a)
    val 'Example.neutral' = neutral_int
    val 'Example.mult' = (a: int, b: int) => mult_int(a, b)
  }
}

abstract sealed class nat
final case class zero_nat() extends nat
final case class Suc(a: nat) extends nat

def plus_nat(x0: nat, n: nat): nat = (x0, n) match {
  case (Suc(m), n) => plus_nat(m, Suc(n))
  case (zero_nat(), n) => n
}

def one_nat: nat = Suc(zero_nat())

def nat_of_num(x0: num): nat = x0 match {
  case Bit1(n) => {
    val m: nat = nat_of_num(n);
    Suc(plus_nat(m, m))
  }
  case Bit0(n) => {
    val m: nat = nat_of_num(n);
    plus_nat(m, m)
  }
  case One() => one_nat
}

def nat(x0: int): nat = x0 match {
  case Pos(k) => nat_of_num(k)
  case zero_int() => zero_nat()
  case Neg(k) => zero_nat()
}

def less_num(m: num, x1: num): Boolean = (m, x1) match {
  case (Bit1(m), Bit0(n)) => less_num(m, n)
  case (Bit1(m), Bit1(n)) => less_num(m, n)
  case (Bit0(m), Bit1(n)) => less_eq_num(m, n)
  case (Bit0(m), Bit0(n)) => less_num(m, n)
  case (One(), Bit1(n)) => true
  case (One(), Bit0(n)) => true
  case (m, One()) => false
}

def less_eq_num(x0: num, n: num): Boolean = (x0, n) match {
  case (Bit1(m), Bit0(n)) => less_num(m, n)
case (Bit1(m), Bit1(n)) => less_eq_num(m, n)
case (Bit0(m), Bit1(n)) => less_eq_num(m, n)
case (Bit0(m), Bit0(n)) => less_eq_num(m, n)
case (Bit1(m), One()) => false
case (Bit0(m), One()) => false
case (One(), n) => true
}

def less_eq_int(x0: int, x1: int): Boolean = (x0, x1) match {
case (Neg(k), Neg(l)) => less_eq_num(l, k)
case (Neg(k), Pos(l)) => true
case (Neg(k), zero_int()) => true
case (Pos(k), Neg(l)) => false
case (Pos(k), Pos(l)) => less_eq_num(k, l)
case (Pos(k), zero_int()) => false
case (zero_int(), Neg(l)) => false
case (zero_int(), Pos(l)) => true
case (zero_int(), zero_int()) => true
}

def pow_nat[A : monoid](xa0: nat, x: A): A = (xa0, x) match {
case (zero_nat(), x) => neutral[A]
case (Suc(n), x) => mult[A](x, pow_nat[A](n, x))
}

def pow_int[A : group](k: int, x: A): A =
    (if (less_eq_int(zero_int(), k)) pow_nat[A](nat(k), x)
        else inverse[A](pow_nat[A](nat(uminus_int(k)), x)))

def example: int = pow_int[int](Pos(Bit0(Bit1(Bit0(One())))), Neg(Bit0(One())))

} /* object Example */

4.2 Inspecting the type class universe
To facilitate orientation in complex subclass structures, two diagnostics commands are provided:

print-classes print a list of all classes together with associated operations etc.
class-deps visualizes the subclass relation between all classes as a Hasse diagram. An optional first sort argument constrains the set of classes to all subclasses of this sort, an optional second sort argument to all superclasses of this sort.
References


