

Lecture 10 – Mutable Data Structures

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We can define our own **mutable data structure** – a **Box**:

```
// mutable box
case class Box(var content: Int)
val box: Box = Box(5)
box.content    // 5
box.content = 8
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// expressions
<expr> ::= ...
    | "Box" "(" <expr> ")"
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Let's define the **abstract syntax** of BFAE in BNF:

Expressions $\mathbb{E} \ni e ::= \dots$

| `Box(e)` (NewBox)

| `e.get` (GetBox)

| `e.set(e)` (SetBox)

| `e; e` (Seq)

```
enum Expr:
  ...
  // box creation
  case NewBox(expr: Expr)
  // box content getter
  case GetBox(box: Expr)
  // box content setter
  case SetBox(box: Expr, expr: Expr)
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  case Seq(left: Expr, right: Expr)
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and 2) define the **natural semantics** with environments and **memories** by passing the updated memory in the result:

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Addresses $a \in \mathbb{A}$ (Addr)

Memories $M \in \mathbb{A} \xrightarrow{\text{fin}} \mathbb{V}$ (Mem)

Values $\mathbb{V} \ni v ::= \dots \mid a$ (BoxV)

```
def interp(expr: Expr, env: Env, mem: Mem): (Value, Mem) = expr match
  ...
  case Add(l, r) =>
    val (lv, lmem) = interp(l, env, mem)
    val (rv, rmem) = interp(r, env, lmem)
    (numAdd(lv, rv), rmem)
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/* BFAE */
val x = Box(5);
{ x.set(8); 2 } + x.get; // 2 + 8 = 10 -- NOT 2 + 5 = 7
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def interp(expr: Expr, env: Env, mem: Mem): (Value, Mem) = expr match
  ...
  case NewBox(c) =>
    val (cv, cmem) = interp(c, env, mem)
    val addr = malloc(cmem)
    (BoxV(addr), cmem + (addr -> cv))
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One way to implement malloc is to find the maximum address in the memory and increment it by one, 0 if the memory is empty:

```
def malloc(mem: Mem): Addr = mem.keySet.maxOption.fold(0)(_ + 1)
```

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def interp(expr: Expr, env: Env, mem: Mem): (Value, Mem) = expr match
  ...
  case GetBox(b) =>
    val (bv, bmem) = interp(b, env, mem)
    bv match
      case BoxV(addr) => (bmem(addr), bmem)
      case _           => error(s"not a box: ${bv.str}")
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  case SetBox(b, c) =>
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def interp(expr: Expr, env: Env, mem: Mem): (Value, Mem) = expr match
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<https://github.com/ku-plrg-classroom/docs/tree/main/cose212/bfae>

- Please see above document on GitHub:
 - Implement `interp` function.
- It is just an exercise, and you **don't need to submit** anything.
- However, some exam questions might be related to this exercise.

- Mutable Variables

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