

AdvancedGAP

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1 Advanced GAP Programming

Note: Uses current GAP `master` branch and the current version of the [GAP Jupyter kernel](#)

If you want go to <https://cloud.gap-system.org/> with username `codima2016` and password `uuShan0i`, and play along (or not along)

1.1 Type System, Bespoke Objects, Extending Functionality

- (Almost) everything in GAP is an *Object*
- Every Object has a *Type*
- In GAP a type is a pair (*Family, Filter*)
- Families partition objects
- Filters are hierarchical starting at `IsObject`

```
In [1]: TypeObj(true)
```

```
<Type: (BooleanFamily, [ IsBool, IsInternalRep ])>
```

```
In [2]: TypeObj(Group((1,2,3)))
```

```
<Type: (CollectionsFamily(...), [ IsComponentObjectRep, IsAttributeStoringRep, IsListOrCollection ])>
```

```
In [3]: Display(TypeObj(Group( (1,2,3) )))
```

```
family:
```

```
  CollectionsFamily(...)
```

```
filters:
```

```
  IsComponentObjectRep
```

```
  IsAttributeStoringRep
```

```
  IsListOrCollection
```

```
  IsCollection
```

```
  IsFinite
```

```
  Tester(IsFinite)
```

```
  CanEasilyCompareElements
```

```
  Tester(CanEasilyCompareElements)
```

```
  CanEasilySortElements
```

```
  Tester(CanEasilySortElements)
```

```
  CanComputeSize
```

```

IsDuplicateFree
Tester (IsDuplicateFree)
IsExtLElement
CategoryCollections (IsExtLElement)
IsExtRElement
CategoryCollections (IsExtRElement)
CategoryCollections (IsMultiplicativeElement)
CategoryCollections (IsMultiplicativeElementWithOne)
CategoryCollections (IsMultiplicativeElementWithInverse)
IsOddAdditiveNestingDepthObject
CategoryCollections (IsAssociativeElement)
CategoryCollections (IsFiniteOrderElement)
IsGeneralizedDomain
CategoryCollections (IsPerm)
IsMagma
IsMagmaWithOne
IsMagmaWithInversesIfNonzero
IsMagmaWithInverses
Tester (GeneratorsOfMagmaWithInverses)
IsGeneratorsOfMagmaWithInverses
Tester (IsGeneratorsOfMagmaWithInverses)
IsAssociative
Tester (IsAssociative)
IsCommutative
Tester (IsCommutative)
Tester (MultiplicativeNeutralElement)
IsGeneratorsOfSemigroup
Tester (IsGeneratorsOfSemigroup)
IsSimpleSemigroup
Tester (IsSimpleSemigroup)
IsRegularSemigroup
Tester (IsRegularSemigroup)
IsInverseSemigroup
Tester (IsInverseSemigroup)
IsCompletelyRegularSemigroup
Tester (IsCompletelyRegularSemigroup)
IsCompletelySimpleSemigroup
Tester (IsCompletelySimpleSemigroup)
IsGroupAsSemigroup
Tester (IsGroupAsSemigroup)
IsMonoidAsSemigroup
Tester (IsMonoidAsSemigroup)
IsOrthodoxSemigroup
Tester (IsOrthodoxSemigroup)
IsCyclic
Tester (IsCyclic)
IsFinitelyGeneratedGroup
Tester (IsFinitelyGeneratedGroup)

```

```

IsSubsetLocallyFiniteGroup
Tester (IsSubsetLocallyFiniteGroup)
CanEasilyTestMembership
CanEasilyComputeWithIndependentGensAbelianGroup
CanComputeSizeAnySubgroup
KnowsHowToDecompose
Tester (KnowsHowToDecompose)
IsNilpotentGroup
Tester (IsNilpotentGroup)
IsSupersolvableGroup
Tester (IsSupersolvableGroup)
IsMonomialGroup
Tester (IsMonomialGroup)
IsSolvableGroup
Tester (IsSolvableGroup)
IsPolycyclicGroup
Tester (IsPolycyclicGroup)
CanEasilyComputePcgs
CanComputeFittingFree
IsNilpotentByFinite
Tester (IsNilpotentByFinite)

```

```
In [4]: TypeObj(1)
```

```
<Type: (CyclotomicsFamily, [ IsInt, IsRat, IsCyc, ... ])>
```

```
In [5]: TypeObj(TypeObj(1))
```

```
<Type: (FamilyOfTypes, [ IsPositionalObjectRep, IsType, IsTypeDefaultRep ])>
```

```
In [6]: TypeObj(TypeObj(TypeObj(1)))
```

```
<Type: (FamilyOfTypes, [ IsPositionalObjectRep, IsType, IsTypeDefaultRep ])>
```

⇒ There is a *Type of Types* which contains itself, the same is true for Families

```
In [7]: FamilyObj(true)
```

```
<Family: "BooleanFamily">
```

```
In [8]: FamilyObj(1)
```

```
<Family: "CyclotomicsFamily">
```

```
In [9]: Display(FamilyObj((1,2,3)))
```

```
name:
```

```
    PermutationsFamily
```

```
required filters:
```

```

    IsPerm
implied filters:
    IsPerm
    CanEasilyCompareElements
    Tester (CanEasilyCompareElements)
    CanEasilySortElements
    Tester (CanEasilySortElements)
    IsExtLElement
    IsExtRElement
    IsMultiplicativeElement
    IsMultiplicativeElementWithOne
    IsMultiplicativeElementWithInverse
    IsAssociativeElement
    IsFiniteOrderElement

```

Play around a bit, find out what some of these things are, maybe ask GAP about an object I didn't demonstrate yet.

Think about what the type of a list should be.

2 Families of Group Elements

2.1 Elements of free groups get their own family

it does not make sense to multiply an element of $F(\{a, b\})$ with an element of $F(\{x, y\})$

```
In [10]: F := FreeGroup(2)
```

```
<group with 2 generators>
```

```
In [11]: Display(FamilyObj(F));
```

```
name:
```

```
    CollectionsFamily(...)
```

```
required filters:
```

```
    IsCollection
```

```
implied filters:
```

```
    IsListOrCollection
```

```
    IsCollection
```

```
    IsExtLElement
```

```
    CategoryCollections(IsExtLElement)
```

```
    IsExtRElement
```

```
    CategoryCollections(IsExtRElement)
```

```
    CategoryCollections(IsMultiplicativeElement)
```

```
    CategoryCollections(IsMultiplicativeElementWithOne)
```

```
    CategoryCollections(IsMultiplicativeElementWithInverse)
```

```
    IsOddAdditiveNestingDepthObject
```

```
    CategoryCollections(IsAssociativeElement)
```

```
    IsGeneratorsOfMagmaWithInverses
```

```

Tester(IsGeneratorsOfMagmaWithInverses)
IsGeneratorsOfSemigroup
Tester(IsGeneratorsOfSemigroup)
CategoryCollections(IsWord)
CategoryCollections((IsWord and IsAssociativeElement))
CategoryCollections(((IsWord and IsAssociativeElement) and (IsWord and IsMultip
CategoryCollections(((IsWord and IsAssociativeElement) and (IsWord and IsMultip

```

```

In [12]: FamilyObj(F.1)
<Family: "FreeGroupElementsFamily">
In [13]: G := FreeGroup(2);
<group with 2 generators>
In [14]: FamilyObj(G.1)
<Family: "FreeGroupElementsFamily">
In [15]: FamilyObj(F.1) = FamilyObj(G.1)
false

```

2.2 Permutations all lie in the same family

```

In [16]: G := SymmetricGroup(5)
Sym( [ 1 .. 5 ] )
In [17]: H := SymmetricGroup(5)
Sym( [ 1 .. 5 ] )
In [18]: IsIdenticalObj(G,H)
false
In [19]: FamilyObj(Representative(G)) = FamilyObj(Representative(H))
true

```

3 Type of Objects can *change*

- The *Family* of an Object stays static for its lifetime
- Certain *Filters* can change and reflect knowledge GAP has about the Object
- *Categories* are filters
- the category of an object *does not change*
- mathematically: “signature of an algebraic structure”:

- Magma $\{o\}$, MagmaWithOne $\{o, 1\}$, MagmaWithInverses $\{o, -1\}$
- Graph E
- does *not* enforce any axioms!

```
In [20]: G := Group( [ (1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11), (3,7,11,8)(4,10,5,6) ] );
```

```
Group([ (1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11), (3,7,11,8)(4,10,5,6) ])
```

```
In [21]: Display(TypeObj(G));
```

family:

```
  CollectionsFamily(...)
```

filters:

```
  IsComponentObjectRep
```

```
  IsAttributeStoringRep
```

```
  IsListOrCollection
```

```
  IsCollection
```

```
  IsFinite
```

```
  Tester(IsFinite)
```

```
  CanEasilyCompareElements
```

```
  Tester(CanEasilyCompareElements)
```

```
  CanEasilySortElements
```

```
  Tester(CanEasilySortElements)
```

```
  CanComputeSize
```

```
  IsDuplicateFree
```

```
  Tester(IsDuplicateFree)
```

```
  IsExtLElement
```

```
  CategoryCollections(IsExtLElement)
```

```
  IsExtRElement
```

```
  CategoryCollections(IsExtRElement)
```

```
  CategoryCollections(IsMultiplicativeElement)
```

```
  CategoryCollections(IsMultiplicativeElementWithOne)
```

```
  CategoryCollections(IsMultiplicativeElementWithInverse)
```

```
  IsOddAdditiveNestingDepthObject
```

```
  CategoryCollections(IsAssociativeElement)
```

```
  CategoryCollections(IsFiniteOrderElement)
```

```
  IsGeneralizedDomain
```

```
  CategoryCollections(IsPerm)
```

```
  Tester(LargestMovedPoint)
```

```
  IsMagma
```

```
  IsMagmaWithOne
```

```
  IsMagmaWithInversesIfNonzero
```

```
  IsMagmaWithInverses
```

```
  Tester(GeneratorsOfMagmaWithInverses)
```

```
  IsGeneratorsOfMagmaWithInverses
```

```
  Tester(IsGeneratorsOfMagmaWithInverses)
```

```
  IsAssociative
```

```
  Tester(IsAssociative)
```

```
  Tester(MultiplicativeNeutralElement)
```

```

IsGeneratorsOfSemigroup
Tester (IsGeneratorsOfSemigroup)
IsSimpleSemigroup
Tester (IsSimpleSemigroup)
IsRegularSemigroup
Tester (IsRegularSemigroup)
IsInverseSemigroup
Tester (IsInverseSemigroup)
IsCompletelyRegularSemigroup
Tester (IsCompletelyRegularSemigroup)
IsCompletelySimpleSemigroup
Tester (IsCompletelySimpleSemigroup)
IsGroupAsSemigroup
Tester (IsGroupAsSemigroup)
IsMonoidAsSemigroup
Tester (IsMonoidAsSemigroup)
IsOrthodoxSemigroup
Tester (IsOrthodoxSemigroup)
IsFinitelyGeneratedGroup
Tester (IsFinitelyGeneratedGroup)
IsSubsetLocallyFiniteGroup
Tester (IsSubsetLocallyFiniteGroup)
CanEasilyTestMembership
CanComputeSizeAnySubgroup
KnowsHowToDecompose
Tester (KnowsHowToDecompose)
CanComputeFittingFree
IsNilpotentByFinite
Tester (IsNilpotentByFinite)

```

```
In [22]: JoinStringsWithSeparator (CategoriesOfObject (G), "\n");
```

```

"IsListOrCollection
IsCollection
IsExtLElement
CategoryCollections (IsExtLElement)
IsExtRElement
CategoryCollections (IsExtRElement)
CategoryCollections (IsMultiplicativeElement)
CategoryCollections (IsMultiplicativeElementWithOne)
CategoryCollections (IsMultiplicativeElementWithInverse)
CategoryCollections (IsAssociativeElement)
CategoryCollections (IsFiniteOrderElement)
IsGeneralizedDomain
CategoryCollections (IsPerm)
IsMagma
IsMagmaWithOne

```

```
IsMagmaWithInversesIfNonzero
IsMagmaWithInverses"
```

```
In [23]: KnownAttributesOfObject(G)
```

```
[ "LargestMovedPoint", "GeneratorsOfMagmaWithInverses", "MultiplicativeNeutralElement"
```

3.0.1 Note: Nothing reflects the fact that G is a group.

```
In [24]: IsGroup(G);
```

```
true
```

```
In [25]: IsGroup;
```

```
<Filter "(IsMagmaWithInverses and IsAssociative)">
```

```
In [26]: IsMagmaWithInverses;
```

```
<Category "IsMagmaWithInverses">
```

```
In [27]: IsAssociative;
```

```
<Property "IsAssociative">
```

```
In [28]: HasSize(G)
```

```
false
```

```
In [29]: Size(G)
```

```
7920
```

```
In [30]: HasSize(G)
```

```
true
```

```
In [31]: Display(TypeObj(G))
```

```
family:
```

```
  CollectionsFamily(...)
```

```
filters:
```

```
  IsComponentObjectRep
```

```
  IsAttributeStoringRep
```

```
  IsListOrCollection
```

```
  IsCollection
```

```
  Tester(IsEmpty)
```

```
  Tester(IsTrivial)
```

```
  IsNonTrivial
```

```
  Tester(IsNonTrivial)
```

```
  IsFinite
```


Tester (IsFinite)
 Tester (Size)
 CanEasilyCompareElements
 Tester (CanEasilyCompareElements)
 CanEasilySortElements
 Tester (CanEasilySortElements)
 CanComputeSize
 IsDuplicateFree
 Tester (IsDuplicateFree)
 IsExtLElement
 CategoryCollections (IsExtLElement)
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 CategoryCollections (IsExtRElement)
 CategoryCollections (IsMultiplicativeElement)
 CategoryCollections (IsMultiplicativeElementWithOne)
 CategoryCollections (IsMultiplicativeElementWithInverse)
 IsOddAdditiveNestingDepthObject
 CategoryCollections (IsAssociativeElement)
 CategoryCollections (IsFiniteOrderElement)
 Tester (OneImmutable)
 IsGeneralizedDomain
 CategoryCollections (IsPerm)
 Tester (LargestMovedPoint)
 Tester (NrMovedPoints)
 Tester (MovedPoints)
 IsMagma
 IsMagmaWithOne
 IsMagmaWithInversesIfNonzero
 IsMagmaWithInverses
 Tester (GeneratorsOfMagmaWithInverses)
 IsGeneratorsOfMagmaWithInverses
 Tester (IsGeneratorsOfMagmaWithInverses)
 IsAssociative
 Tester (IsAssociative)
 Tester (MultiplicativeNeutralElement)
 IsGeneratorsOfSemigroup
 Tester (IsGeneratorsOfSemigroup)
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 IsRegularSemigroup
 Tester (IsRegularSemigroup)
 IsInverseSemigroup
 Tester (IsInverseSemigroup)
 IsCompletelyRegularSemigroup
 Tester (IsCompletelyRegularSemigroup)
 IsCompletelySimpleSemigroup
 Tester (IsCompletelySimpleSemigroup)
 IsGroupAsSemigroup

```

Tester(IsGroupAsSemigroup)
IsMonoidAsSemigroup
Tester(IsMonoidAsSemigroup)
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Tester(IsFinitelyGeneratedGroup)
IsSubsetLocallyFiniteGroup
Tester(IsSubsetLocallyFiniteGroup)
CanEasilyTestMembership
CanComputeSizeAnySubgroup
KnowsHowToDecompose
Tester(KnowsHowToDecompose)
Tester(IsNilpotentGroup)
Tester(IsSolvableGroup)
Tester(StabChainMutable)
Tester(StabChainOptions)
CanComputeFittingFree
IsNilpotentByFinite
Tester(IsNilpotentByFinite)
Tester(IsTorsionFree)
Tester(IsFreeAbelian)

```

```
In [32]: Size;
```

```
<Attribute "Size">
```

```
In [33]: IsNilpotent(G)
```

```
false
```

```
In [34]: IsCommutative(G)
```

```
false
```

```
In [35]: IsNilpotent;
```

```
<Operation "IsNilpotent">
```

```
In [36]: IsCommutative;
```

```
<Property "IsCommutative">
```

```
In [37]: IsSimpleGroup(G)
```

```
true
```

```
In [38]: SylowSubgroup(G, 2);
```

```
Group([ (2, 6) (3, 7) (4, 10) (8, 9), (3, 7) (4, 8) (5, 11) (9, 10), (2, 3) (5, 11) (6, 7) (8, 9), (2, 10)
```

3.0.2 Warning

```
In [39]: S := Semigroup([Transformation([2,1,3])])
<commutative transformation semigroup of degree 2 with 1 generator>

In [40]: IsGroup(S)

false
```

3.0.3 Maybe Wilf will talk about this.

4 Operation, Attribute, Property

4.1 Operation

- defined by a name O and a k -tuple ($1 \leq k \leq 6$) of *filters*
- install *methods* for O

4.2 Attribute

- defined by a name A and a filter F
- a value attached to an object in F set
- value can be cached (*WARNING*: then immutable!)
- an operation A (with 1-tuple (F) of filters)
- an property $HasA$ (if the value is known)
- an operation $SetA$

4.3 Property

- defined by a name P and a filter F
- a boolean attribute
- also a filter P

```
In [41]: IsCommutative
<Property "IsCommutative">
```

5 Worked example: Graphs

```
In [42]: GraphsFamily := NewFamily("GraphsFamily")
<Family: "GraphsFamily">

In [43]: DeclareCategory("IsGraph", IsObject);
```

(nb: `DeclareX(name, ...)` is essentially the same as `BindGlobal(name, NewX(...))`)

```

In [44]: IsGraph
<Category "IsGraph">

In [45]: BindGlobal("GraphType", NewType(GraphsFamily, IsGraph))

In [46]: GraphType;
<Type: (GraphsFamily, [ IsGraph ])>

In [47]: BindGlobal("NewGraph",
    function(v,e)
        return Objectify(GraphType, rec( vertices := v, edges := e ));
    end);

In [48]: G := NewGraph([1,2,3], [[1,2],[3,4]])
<object>

In [49]: InstallMethod(ViewString
    , "for a graph"
    , [IsGraph],
    function(g)
        local res;
        res := "<a graph with ";
        Append(res, String(Length(g!.vertices)));
        Append(res, " vertices and ");
        Append(res, String(Length(g!.edges)));
        Append(res, " edges>");
        return res;
    end)

```

6 Exercise

- Vertices
- Edges
- IsConnectedGraph
- GraphUnion
- GraphsIsomorphism

7 OR: Make some object relevant to your research!

```
In [50]: DeclareAttribute("Vertices", IsGraph)
```

```
In [51]: DeclareProperty("IsConnectedGraph", IsGraph)
```

```
In [52]: DeclareOperation("GraphsIsomorphism", [IsGraph, IsGraph])
```

8 Representations

- A representation is just a filter
- subfilter of `IsComponentObjectRep` or `IsPositionalObjectRep`
- `IsAttributeStoringRep` causes values of attributes to be cached, only possible for `IsComponentObjectRep`

```
In [53]: DeclareRepresentation("IsGraphByAdjacencyListRep", IsGraph and IsComponent
```

```
In [54]: IsGraphByAdjacencyListRep
```

```
<Representation "IsGraphByAdjacencyListRep">
```

```
In [55]: BindGlobal("GraphByAdjacencyListType", NewType(GraphsFamily, IsGraph and I
```

```
In [56]: InstallMethod( ViewString,  
                        "for a graph by adjacency list",  
                        [IsGraph and IsGraphByAdjacencyListRep],  
                        function(g)  
                            return "<a graph in adjacency list representation>";  
                        end)
```

```
In [57]: G := Objectify(GraphByAdjacencyListType, rec( vertices := [], adjacency :=
```

```
<a graph in adjacency list representation>
```

9 Possible Exercises

- Define different representations for graphs
- Can you abstract graphs enough to be able to implement generic algorithms?
- Implement `IsConnectedGraph` for different representations

```
In [ ]:
```