

Formal Methods for Software Development

Reasoning about Programs with Dynamic Logic

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Part I

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then `doubleContent` terminates normally

and afterwards all elements of `a` are twice the old value

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Observations

- ▶ DL combines first-order logic (FOL) with programs
- ▶ Theory of DL extends theory of FOL

introducing **dynamic logic** for JAVA

- ▶ short recap first-order logic (FOL)
- ▶ dynamic logic = extending FOL with
 - ▶ **dynamic interpretations**
 - ▶ **programs** to describe state change

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Repetition: First-Order Logic

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Type Declarations

- ▶ $\tau x;$ 'variable x has type τ '
- ▶ $p(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_r);$ 'predicate p has argument types τ_1, \dots, τ_r '
- ▶ $\tau f(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_r);$ 'function f has argument types τ_1, \dots, τ_r
and result type τ '

Recap: First-Order States

Definition (First-Order State)

Let \mathcal{D} be a domain with typing function δ .

For each f be declared as $\tau f(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_r)$;

and each p be declared as $p(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_r)$;

$\mathcal{I}(f)$ is a mapping $\mathcal{I}(f) : \mathcal{D}^{\tau_1} \times \dots \times \mathcal{D}^{\tau_r} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}^{\tau}$

$\mathcal{I}(p)$ is a set $\mathcal{I}(p) \subseteq \mathcal{D}^{\tau_1} \times \dots \times \mathcal{D}^{\tau_r}$

Then $\mathcal{S} = (\mathcal{D}, \delta, \mathcal{I})$ is a **first-order state**

Part II

Towards Dynamic Logic

Reasoning about Java programs requires extensions of FOL

- ▶ JAVA type hierarchy
- ▶ JAVA program variables
- ▶ JAVA heap for reference types (next lecture)

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Example (A Minimal Type Hierarchy)

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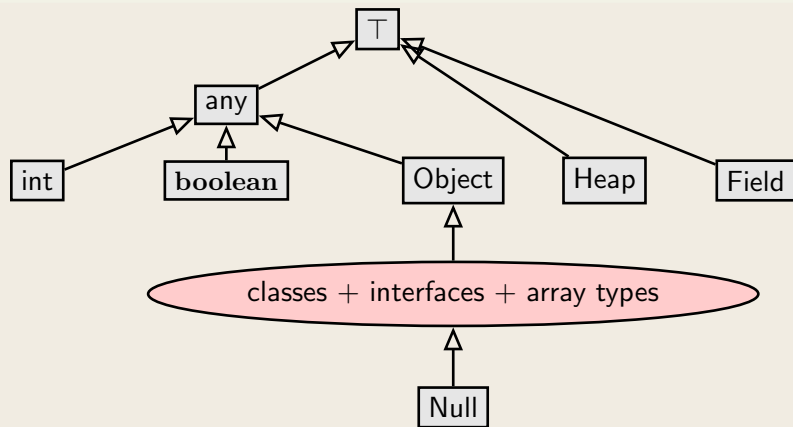
All signature symbols have same type \top

Example (Type Hierarchy for Java)

(see next slide)

Modelling Java in FOL: Fixing a Type Hierarchy

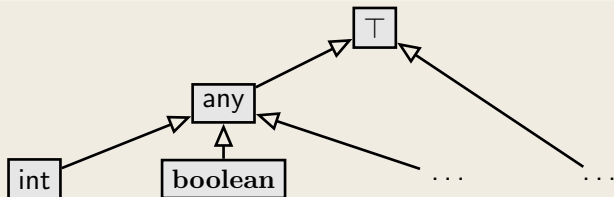
Signature based on Java's type hierarchy (sketch)



Each interface and class in API and in target program becomes type with appropriate subtype relation

Subset of Types

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int and **boolean** are the only types for today.
Class, interfaces, arrays: next lecture.

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Goal: Express behavior of a program, e.g.:

If method `setAge` is called on an object `o` of type `Person`
and the method argument `newAge` is positive
then afterwards field `age` has same value as `newAge`

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If **program variable** i is greater than 5 in current state, then **after** executing the JAVA statement “ $i = i + 10;$ ”, i is greater than 15

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Three words one meaning: state-dependent, non-rigid, flexible

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Signature of program logic defined as in FOL, but in addition, there are **program variables**

Rigid versus Flexible

- ▶ **Rigid** symbols, meaning insensitive to program states
 - ▶ First-order variables (aka **logical variables**)
 - ▶ Built-in functions and predicates such as $0, 1, \dots, +, *, \dots, <, \dots$
- ▶ **Flexible** (or **non-rigid**) symbols, meaning depends on state. Capture side effects on state during program execution
 - ▶ **Program variables** are flexible

Any term containing at least one flexible symbol is called flexible

Signature of Dynamic Logic

Definition (Dynamic Logic Signature)

$$\Sigma = (P_\Sigma, F_\Sigma, PV_\Sigma, \alpha_\Sigma), \quad F_\Sigma \cap PV_\Sigma = \emptyset$$

(Rigid) **Predicate** Symbols $P_\Sigma = \{>, >=, \dots\}$

(Rigid) **Function** Symbols $F_\Sigma = \{+, -, *, 0, 1, \dots\}$

Flexible Program variables e.g. $PV_\Sigma = \{i, j, \text{ready}, \dots\}$

Standard typing of JAVA symbols: `boolean TRUE; <(int,int); ...`

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Again: Two Kinds of Variables

Rigid:

Definition (First-Order/Logical Variables)

Typed **logical variables** (**rigid**), declared locally in **quantifiers** as $\exists x;$
They must not occur in programs!

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Attention: JAVA programs are deterministic, i.e., **if** a JAVA program terminates then exactly **one** state is reached from a given initial state.

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Visibility

- ▶ Program variables declared globally can be accessed anywhere
- ▶ Program variables declared inside a modality only visible therein.
E.g., in “ $pre \rightarrow \langle \mathbf{int} \ j; \ p \rangle post$ ”, j not visible in $post$

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- ▶ Program variables are **flexible constants**: never bound in quantifiers
 - ▶ Program variables need not be declared or initialized in program
 - ▶ Programs contain no logical variables
 - ▶ Modalities can be arbitrarily nested, e.g., $\langle p \rangle [q] \phi$

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Dynamic Logic Semantics: States

First-order state can be considered as **program state**

- ▶ Interpretation of (flexible) program variables can vary from state to state
- ▶ Interpretation of **rigid** symbols is the same in all states (e.g., built-in functions and predicates)

Program states as first-order states

We identify **first-order state** $\mathcal{S} = (\mathcal{D}, \delta, \mathcal{I})$ with **program state**.

- ▶ Interpretation \mathcal{I} only changes on program variables.
⇒ Enough to record values of variables $\in PV_{\Sigma}$
- ▶ Set of all states \mathcal{S} is called *States*

Kripke Structure

Definition (Kripke Structure)

Kripke Structure or **Labelled Transition System** $K = (States, \rho)$

- ▶ **States** $\mathcal{S} = (\mathcal{D}, \delta, \mathcal{I}) \in States$
- ▶ **Transition relation** $\rho : Program \rightarrow (States \rightarrow States)$

$$\rho(p)(\mathcal{S}_1) = \mathcal{S}_2$$

iff.

program p executed in state \mathcal{S}_1 terminates **and** its final state is \mathcal{S}_2 ,
otherwise undefined.

- ▶ ρ is the **semantics** of programs $\in Program$
- ▶ $\rho(p)(\mathcal{S})$ can be undefined (' \rightarrow '): p may **not terminate** when started in \mathcal{S}
- ▶ JAVA programs are **deterministic** (unlike PROMELA): $\rho(p)$ is a function (at most one value)

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- ▶ **Implication:** if $\langle p \rangle \phi$ then $[p]\phi$
Total correctness implies partial correctness
 - ▶ converse is false
 - ▶ holds only for deterministic programs

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Very advanced task to define ρ for JAVA \Rightarrow Not done in this course
Next lecture, we go directly to calculus for program formulas!

Literature for this Lecture

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