# Programming Language Technology

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Grading scale: Max = 60p, VG = 5 = 48p, 4 = 36p, G = 3 = 24p.

Allowed aid: an English dictionary.

Exam review: 23 January 2023 14.30-15.30 in EDIT meeting room 6128 (6th floor).

Please answer the questions in English.

Question 1 (Grammars): Write a labelled BNF grammar that covers the following kinds of constructs of C/C++ (sublanguage of lab 2):

- Program: a sequence of function definitions.
- Function definition: type followed by identifier, comma-separated parameter list in parentheses, and block.
- Parameter: type followed by identifier, e.g. int x.
- Block: a sequence of statements enclosed between  $\{ \text{ and } \}$
- Statements:
  - block
  - variable declaration, e.g., int x;
  - expression followed by semicolon
  - return statement
  - if-else statement
- Expressions, from highest to lowest precedence:
  - atoms: identifier, integer literal, function call
  - addition (+), left associative
  - less-than comparison (<), non-associative
  - assignment, right associative

Putting an expression into parentheses makes it an atom.

• Type: int or bool

Line comments are started by #. You can use the standard BNFC categories **Integer** and **Ident** and any of the BNFC pragmas (coercions, terminator, separator ...). An example program is:

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define printInt(x) printf("%d\n",x)
int f (int x, int z) {
    x = (z = 7) + z;
    if (z < x) { int x; printInt(x = z + 2); z = x; } else {}
    return x;
}
int main () { return f(1,2); }
(10p)</pre>
```

## SOLUTION:

```
Program. Prg
                ::= [Def]
                                                            ;
                ::= Type Ident "(" [Arg] ")" "{" [Stm] "}"
DFun.
          Def
                                                            ;
                 .....
terminator Def
                                                            ;
ADecl.
                ::= Type Ident
          Arg
                                                            ;
                ","
separator Arg
                                                            ;
                ::= "{" [Stm] "}"
SBlock.
          Stm
                                                            ;
                ::= Type Ident ";"
SDecl.
          Stm
                ::= Exp ";"
SExp.
          Stm
                ::= "return" Exp ";"
SReturn.
          Stm
                ::= "if" "(" Exp ")" Stm "else" Stm
SIfElse.
          Stm
                 ....
terminator Stm
EId.
          Exp2 ::= Ident
EInt.
          Exp2 ::= Integer
          Exp2 ::= Ident "(" [Exp] ")"
ECall.
EPlus.
          Exp1 ::= Exp1 "+" Exp2
ELt.
          Exp ::= Exp1 "<" Exp1
EAss.
          Exp ::= Ident "=" Exp
coercions Exp
                2
                                                            ;
                ","
separator Exp
                                                            ;
          Type ::= "int"
TInt.
                                                            ;
TBool.
          Type
               ::= "bool"
                                                            ;
          "#"
comment
                                                            ;
```

Question 2 (Lexing): A *floating point literal* is given by the following sequence:

- Optionally: a sign (plus or minus), denoted s.
- A possibly empty sequence of digits (digit shall be d).
- A dot denoted f (for "full stop").
- A non-empty sequence of digits.
- Optionally an exponent, given by the following sequence:
  - Lower or upper case letter "e", denoted e.
  - Optionally: a sign.
  - A non-empty sequence of digits.

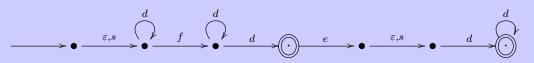
So the alphabet is  $\Sigma = \{d, e, f, s\}$ . Present the language of floating point literals in the following ways:

- 1. as a regular expression,
- 2. as a non-deterministic finite automaton (NFA) with no more than 10 states,
- 3. as a deterministic finite automaton (DFA) with no more than 12 states.

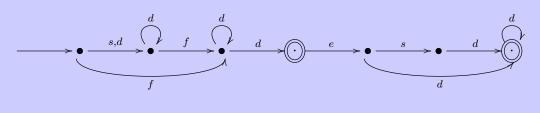
Remember to mark initial and final states appropriately. Note: since each DFA is a NFA, you can omit the NFA when you are sure that your DFA is correct. (6p)

# SOLUTION:

- 1. RE:  $(\varepsilon \mid s)d^*fd^*d(\varepsilon \mid e(\varepsilon \mid s)dd^*)$
- 2. NFA:



3. DFA:



Question 3 (LR Parsing): Consider the following labeled BNF-Grammar. The starting non-terminal is E.

```
Or. E ::= C "||" E ;
Conj. E ::= C ;
And. C ::= C "&&" B ;
Bit. C ::= B ;
Zero. B ::= "0" ;
One. B ::= "1" ;
```

Step by step, trace the shift-reduce parsing of the expression

0 && 1 || 1 && 0

showing how the stack and the input evolve and which actions are performed. (8p)

SOLUTION: The actions are shift, reduce with rule(s), and accept. Stack and input are separated by a dot.

. 0 && 1    1	&& 0 shift
0.&&1  1&	& 0 reduce with rule Zero
B. && 1    1 &	& 0 reduce with rule Bit
C. && 1    1 &	& 0 shift 2
C&& 1.    1&& 0	reduce with rule One
C&&B.  1&&0	reduce with rule And
C.    1 && 0	shift 2
C     1 . && 0	reduce with rule One
С  В.&&0	reduce with rule Bit
C     C . && 0	shift 2
C    C && 0 .	reduce with rule Zero
С    С && В .	reduce with rule And
С  С.	reduce with rule Conj
С  Е.	reduce with rule Or
Е.	accept

#### Question 4 (Type checking and evaluation):

1. Write syntax-directed typing rules for the *expressions* of Question 1. Alternatively, you can write the type-checker in pseudo code or Haskell. Functions lookupVar and lookupFun can be assumed. In any case, the typing environment must be made explicit. (6p)

**SOLUTION:** The type checking judgement  $\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} e : t$  for expressions is the least relation closed under the following rules.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \overline{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} x : \Gamma(x)} & \overline{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} i : \operatorname{int}} & \frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} e_1 : \operatorname{int} & \Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} e_2 : \operatorname{int}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} e_1 + e_2 : \operatorname{int}} \\ \\ \hline \frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} e_1 : \operatorname{int} & \Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} e_2 : \operatorname{int}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} e_1 < e_2 : \operatorname{bool}} & \frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} e : t}{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} x = e : t} & \Gamma(x) = t \\ \\ \hline \frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} e_1 : t_1 & \dots & \Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} e_n : t_n}{\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} f(e_1, \dots, e_n) : t} & \Sigma(f) = (t_1, \dots, t_n) \to t \end{array}$$

Herein,  $\Gamma$  is a finite map from identifiers x to types t, and  $\Sigma$  a finite map from identifiers f to function types  $(t_1, \ldots, t_n) \to t$ .

2. Write syntax-directed interpretation rules for the statements, blocks and statement sequences of Question 1, assuming an interpreter for expressions  $\gamma \vdash e \Downarrow \langle v; \gamma' \rangle$ . Alternatively, you can write the interpreter in pseudo code or Haskell. Functions evalExp and lookupVar can be assumed. In any case, the environment and control flow must be made explicit. Take care to handle the return statement correctly! (7p)

**SOLUTION:** The evaluation judgement  $\gamma \vdash ss \Downarrow r$  for statement sequences with result  $r ::= v \mid \gamma'$  is the least relation closed under the following rules.

$$\frac{\gamma \vdash s \Downarrow v}{\gamma \vdash \varepsilon \Downarrow \gamma} \qquad \frac{\gamma \vdash s \Downarrow v}{\gamma \vdash s \; ss \Downarrow v} \qquad \frac{\gamma \vdash s \Downarrow \gamma' \quad \gamma' \vdash ss \Downarrow r}{\gamma \vdash s \; ss \Downarrow r}$$

The evaluation judgement  $\gamma \vdash s \Downarrow r$  for statements with result  $r ::= v \mid \gamma'$  is the least relation closed under the following rules.

$$\frac{\gamma \vdash ss \Downarrow v}{\gamma \vdash \{ss\} \Downarrow v} \qquad \frac{\gamma \vdash ss \Downarrow \gamma'.\delta}{\gamma \vdash \{ss\} \Downarrow \gamma'}$$

$$\frac{\gamma \vdash tx; \Downarrow (\gamma, x = \text{void})}{\gamma \vdash tx; \Downarrow (\gamma, x = \text{void})} \qquad \frac{\gamma \vdash e \Downarrow \langle v; \gamma' \rangle}{\gamma \vdash e; \Downarrow \gamma'} \qquad \frac{\gamma \vdash e \Downarrow \langle v; \gamma' \rangle}{\gamma \vdash \text{return } e; \Downarrow v}$$

$$\frac{\gamma \vdash e \Downarrow \langle \text{true}; \gamma' \rangle}{\gamma \vdash \text{if } (e) s_1 \text{ else } s_2 \Downarrow r} \qquad \frac{\gamma \vdash e \Downarrow \langle \text{false}; \gamma' \rangle}{\gamma \vdash \text{if } (e) s_1 \text{ else } s_2 \Downarrow r}$$

Herein, environment  $\gamma$  is a dot-separated list of blocks  $\delta$ , each of which is a finite map from identifiers x to values v. We write  $\varepsilon$  for the empty sequence or empty map and  $\gamma, x = v$  for extending the top block of  $\gamma$  by the binding x = v.

## Question 5 (Compilation):

1. Translate the function  $\mathbf{f}$  of the example program of Question 1 to Jasmin. It is not necessary to remember exactly the names of the JVM instructions—only what arguments they take and how they work. Make clear which instructions come from which statement, and determine the stack and local variable limits. (7p)

```
SOLUTION:
```

```
.method public static f(II)I
.limit locals 3
.limit stack 2
;; x = (z = 7) + z;
ldc 7
istore 1
                ;; Z
iload 1
iload 1
iadd
istore 0
               ;; x (parameter)
;; if (z < x)
iload 1
                ;; Z
iload 0
                ;; x (parameter)
if_icmpge L0
;; printInt (x = z + 2);
iload 1
                ;; Z
ldc 2
iadd
istore 2
               ;; x (block-local variable)
iload 2
invokestatic Runtime/printInt(I)V
;; z = x;
               ;; x (block-local variable)
iload 2
istore 1
               ;; Z
L0:
;; return x;
                ;; x (parameter)
iload 0
ireturn
.end method
```

2. Give the small-step semantics of the JVM instructions you used in the Jasmin code in part 1 (except for return instructions). Write the semantics in the form

$$i: (P, V, S) \longrightarrow (P', V', S')$$

where (P, V, S) is the program counter, variable store, and stack before execution of instruction *i*, and (P', V', S') are the respective values after the execution. For adjusting the program counter, assume that each instruction has size 1. (6p)

**SOLUTION:** Stack S.v shall mean that the top value on the stack is v, the rest is S. Jump targets L are used as instruction addresses, and P + 1 is the instruction address following P.

instruction	state before		state after	
$\texttt{if\_icmpge}\ L$	(P, V, S.v.w)	$\rightarrow$	(L, V, S)	if $v \ge w$
$\texttt{if\_icmpge}\ L$	(P, V, S.v.w)	$\rightarrow$	(P+1, V, S)	unless $v \ge w$
$iload \ a$	(P, V, S)	$\rightarrow$	(P+1, V, S.V(a))	
istore $a$	(P, V, S.v)	$\rightarrow$	(P+1, V[a:=v], S)	
ldc i	(P, V, S)	$\rightarrow$	(P+1, V, S.i)	
iadd	(P, V, S.v.w)	$\rightarrow$	(P+1, V, S.(v+w))	
$\verb"invokestatic" m$	$(P, V, S.v_1 \dots v_n)$	$\rightarrow$	(P+1, V, S.v) where	$v = m(v_1, \ldots, v_n)$

#### Question 6 (Functional languages):

1. The following grammar describes a tiny simply-typed sub-language of Haskell.

x			identifier
i	::=	$0   1   -1   2   -2   \dots$	integer literal
e	::=	$i \mid e + e \mid x \mid \lambda x \to e \mid e  e$	expression
t	::=	$Int \mid t \to t$	type

Application  $e_1 e_2$  is left-associative, the arrow  $t_1 \rightarrow t_2$  is right-associative. Application binds strongest, then addition, then  $\lambda$ -abstraction.

For the following typing judgements  $\Gamma \vdash e : t$ , decide whether they are valid or not. Your answer can be just "valid" or "not valid", but you may also provide a justification why some judgement is valid or invalid.

The usual rules for multiple-choice questions apply: For a correct answer you get 1 point for a wrong answer -1 points. If you choose not to give an answer for a judgement, you get 0 points for that judgement. Your final score will be between 0 and 5 points, a negative sum is rounded up to 0. (5p)

#### SOLUTION:

- (a) valid
- (b) not valid (k is a function, cannot add 1 to it)
- (c) not valid (self-application of f modulo eta)
- (d) valid
- (e) valid

2. For each of the following terms, decide whether it evaluates more efficiently (in the sense of fewer reductions) in call-by-name or call-by-value. Your answer can be just "call-by-name" or "call-by-value", but you can also add a justification why you think so. *Same rules for multiple choice as in part 1.* (5p)

- (a)  $(\lambda x \to x + x + x) (1 + 2 + 3)$
- (b)  $(\lambda x \to \lambda y \to y + y) (1 + 2 + 3 + 4) (5 + 6)$
- (c)  $(\lambda x \to \lambda y \to y + y)$  (1+2) (3+4+5+6)
- (d)  $(\lambda x \to \lambda y \to y + y) ((\lambda z \to z z)(\lambda z \to z z)) (3 + 4 + 5 + 6)$
- (e)  $(\lambda x \to \lambda y \to x + x) (1+2) ((\lambda z \to z z)(\lambda z \to z z))$

## SOLUTION:

- (a) call-by-value (4 additions vs. 8)
- (b) call-by-name (3 additions vs. 5)
- (c) call-by-value (5 additions vs. 7)
- (d) call-by-name (diverges in call-by-value)
- (e) call-by-name (diverges in call-by-value)

Good luck!