

# Programming Language Technology

Exam, 11 January 2017 at 8.30–12.30 in J

Course codes: Chalmers DAT150/151, GU DIT231. As re-exam, also TIN321 and DIT229/230.

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

**Allowed aid:** an English dictionary.

**Exam review:** Tuesday 24 January 2017 at 10-12 in room EDIT 5128.

Please answer the questions in English. Questions requiring answers in code can be answered in any of: C, C++, Haskell, Java, or precise pseudocode.

For any of the six questions, an answer of roughly one page should be enough.

**Question 1 (Grammars):** Write a BNF grammar that covers the following kinds of constructs in Java/C++:

- statements:
  - blocks: lists of statements (possibly empty) in curly brackets { }
  - variable initialization statement: a type followed by an identifier and an initializing expression, e.g. `int x = 4`

**ERRATUM:** Missing here: *followed by a semicolon.*

Example should be `int x = 4;`

- expressions as statements: an expression followed by a semicolon
- types: `int`
- expressions:
  - variables
  - integer literals
  - addition `+`
  - multiplication `*`
  - assignment to variables, e.g. `x = (y = 3) + z`

Both arithmetic operations are left associative. It is enough to consider 4 precedence levels of expressions (from lowest to highest): assignment (right associative), addition, multiplication, and atoms. Parentheses are used, as usual, to lift an expression to the highest level.

An example statement is shown in question 2. You can use the standard BNFC categories `Integer` and `Ident`, as well as `coercions`. **Do not** use list categories or `terminator/separator` rules. (10p)

**Question 2 (Trees):** Show the parse tree and the abstract syntax tree of the statement

**ERRATUM:** Should be *list of statements*

```
int x = 1; { int x = 2; } x = x * 3 + 4;
```

in the grammar that you wrote in Question 1. Note: `Ident` and `Integer` wrappers for identifier and integer tokens should be either always supplied, or always dropped; be consistent! (10p)

**Question 3 (Type checking and evaluation):**

1. Write syntax-directed *type checking* rules for the *statement* forms and lists of Question 1. The typing environment must be made explicit. You can assume a type-checking judgement for expressions. (5p)
2. Write syntax-directed *interpretation* rules for the *expression* forms of Question 1. The environment must be made explicit, as well as all possible side effects. (5p)

**Question 4 (Parsing):** Step by step, trace the LR-parsing of the expression

```
x = x * 3 + 4
```

showing how the stack and the input evolves and which actions are performed. Be careful that the actions match your grammar in Question 1. (8p)

**Question 5 (Compilation):**

1. Write compilation schemes in pseudo-code for each of the grammar constructions in Question 1 generating JVM (i.e. Jasmin assembler). It is not necessary to remember exactly the names of the instructions – only what arguments they take and how they work. (6p)
2. Give the small-step semantics of the JVM instructions you used in the compilation schemes in part 1. 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, you can assume that each instruction has size 1. (6p)

**Question 6 (Functional languages):**

1. Give the typing rules for simply-typed lambda-calculus!  
Simple types are given by the grammar  $t ::= \text{int} \mid t \rightarrow t$ , and expressions by  $e ::= x \mid \lambda x \rightarrow e \mid e e$ . (5p)
2. Give a typing derivation of  $\lambda g \rightarrow \lambda f \rightarrow f (g f)$ . (5p)