# Formal Methods for Software Development Proof Obligations

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DL proof obligations from JML specifications

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## JML Translation: Normalizing JML Contracts

#### Normalization of JML Contracts

- 1. Flattening of nested specifications
- 2. Making implicit specifications explicit
- 3. Processing of modifiers
- 4. Adding of default clauses if not present
- Contraction of several clauses

The following introduces principles of this process

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### Making non\_null explicit in method specifications

- Where nullable is absent, add o != null to preconditions (for parameters<sup>a</sup>) and postconditions (for return values<sup>a</sup>).
   E.g., for method void m(Object o) add requires o != null;
- 2. Thereafter add **nullable**, where absent, to *all* parameter<sup>a</sup> and return type<sup>a</sup> declarations

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  - requires \invariant\_for(this);
  - ensures \invariant\_for(this);
  - signals (Throwable t) \invariant\_for(this);
- Thereafter add helper, where absent, to all methods

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### Next Normalisation Steps (Not detailed)

- Expanding pure modifier:
  - ▶ add to each specification case
    - assignable \nothing;
    - diverges false;
  - remove pure
- Where clauses with defaults (e.g., diverges, assignable) are absent, add explicit clauses

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### **Normalisation: Clause Contraction**

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# Translating JML Expressions to DL-Terms: Arithmetic Expressions

Translation replaces arithmetic JAVA operators by generalized operators Generic towards various integer semantics (JAVA, Math).

#### Example:

```
"+" becomes "javaAddInt" or "javaAddLong"
"-" becomes "javaSubInt" or "javaSubLong"
...
```

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JML expressions **f** and **this**.**f** 

translated to

DL term select(heap, self, f), pretty-printed as self.f

## **Translating Boolean JML Expressions**

First-order logic treated fundamentally different in JML and KeY logic

#### **JML**

- Formulas no separate syntactic category
- ► Instead: JAVA's boolean expressions extended with first-order concepts (i.p. quantifiers)

#### **Dynamic Logic**

- ► Formulas and expressions completely separate
- true, false are formulas, boolean constants TRUE, FALSE are terms
- ► Atomic formulas take terms as arguments; e.g.:
  - $\triangleright$  x y < 5
  - ▶ b = TRUE

## **Translating Boolean JML Expressions**

v/f/m() boolean variables/fields/pure methods b\_0, b\_1 boolean JML expressions, e\_0, e\_1 JML expressions  $\mathcal E$  translates JML expressions to DL terms

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Quantified formulas over primitive types, e.g., int

inInt (similar inLong, inByte):

Predefined predicate symbol with fixed interpretation

Meaning: Argument is within the range of the Java int datatype.

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For \result used in ensures clause of method T m(...):

$$\mathcal{E}(\texttt{\sc result}) = \texttt{result}$$

where  $result \in PVar$  of type T does not occur in the program.

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Recall (pp.7,11) that S is either false, or it has the form
     (exc instanceof ExcType1 ==> ExcPost1) && ...;
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In the following, assume exc is fresh program variable of type Throwable

## **Combining Ensures and Signals to** post

The DL formula *post* is then defined as

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Intention: A term of type LocSet represents a set of locations

### **Definition (Locations)**

A location is a tuple (o, f) with  $o \in D^{\text{Object}}$ ,  $f \in D^{\text{Field}}$ 

## The DL Type LocSet

```
Predefined type with D(LocSet) = 2^{Location}
and the functions (all with result type LocSet):
                                       empty set of locations: \mathcal{I}(empty) = \emptyset
 empty
                                       set of all locations, i.e., \mathcal{I}(\texttt{allLocs}) =
 allLocs
                                         \{(d, f)|f.a.\ d \in D^{\text{Object}}, f \in D^{\text{Field}}\}
 singleton(Object, Field)
                                       singleton set
 union(LocSet, LocSet)
 intersect(LocSet, LocSet)
 allFields(Object)
                                       set of all locations for the given object
 allObjects(Field)
                                       set of all locations for the given field;
                                       e.g., \{(d, f)|\text{f.a. }d \in D^{\text{Object}}\}
 arrayRange(Object, int, int)
                                       set representing all array locations in
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# Generating a PO from the Intermediate Format: Idea

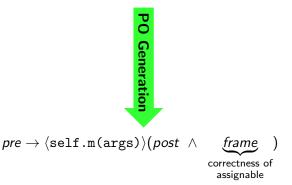
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In case of div = PARTIAL, box modality is used

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- Special statement Method Body Statement:

Meaning: implementation of m in class C

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Recall: generation of post (pp.22,23) uses program variable exc

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Idea: Formalise assumption as additional precondition genPre

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#### The Generic Precondition genPre (background info)

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	extit{genPre} := 	ext{wellFormed(heap)}
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- wellFormed(h): predefined predicate; true iff h is regular Java heap
- C :: exactInstance(o): predefined predicate; true iff o has exact type C (not just subtype of C)
- paramsInRange formula stating that method arguments are in range

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Recall: heapAtPre was used in translation of \old, p.21

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Says that every location (o, f) either

- belongs to the modifies set (evaluated in the pre-state), or
- was not (yet) created before the method invocation, or
- ▶ holds the same value before and after the method execution

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Recall: \result was translated to program variable result, see p.20

#### **Examples**

Demo