

CMSC 433

Programming Language Technologies and Paradigms

Final Review

Questions

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P1. Basic Concepts	10
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1. Basic Concepts

- ▶ True/False, Multiple-Choice Questions
 - Dafny
 - Floyd/Hoare Logic
 - SAT/SMT
 - Symbolic Execution
 - Rocq

Example 1

- ▶ Which of the following would cause a **termination error** in Dafny?
 - a) Missing `decreases` clause in a recursive function
 - b) Function without an `ensures` clause
 - c) Assertion that always evaluates to true
 - d) Loop with a valid invariant

Example 2

- ▶ What does the ensures clause in Dafny specify?
 - a) Preconditions that must hold before execution
 - b) Postconditions that must hold after execution
 - c) Loop invariants
 - d) Assertions checked at runtime

Example 3

- ▶ ghost variables in Dafny exist only for verification purposes and are not part of the compiled executable.

Dafny

- ▶ Mostly fill in the blanks
 - Concepts
 - ensures, requires, assert, assume
 - Function, method, lemma, predicate
 - Difference between function and method
 - Loop invariants

Fill in the Blanks

Complete the missing invariant to make the loop verifiable:

```
method Countdown(n: nat)
  ensures true
{
  var i := n;
  while i > 0
    invariant [
    {
      i := i - 1;
    }
  ]
}
```


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Complete the missing invariant to make the loop verifiable:

```
method Countdown(n: nat) returns (x:int)
ensures x == 100 - 2 * n;
{
  var i := n;
  x := 100;
  while i > 0
    invariant [          ]
    {
      i := i - 1;
      x := x - 2;
    }
}
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{
  var i := n;
  x := 100;
  while i > 0
    invariant x == 100 - 2 * (n-i)
    {
      i := i - 1;
      x := x - 2;
    }
}
```

Floyd Hoare Logic

- ▶ Hoare Triples
 - Assignment
 - Skip
 - Sequence
 - Conditional
 - While

Example

```
[  
  if  $x \leq 0$   
    {  $y := 2$  }  
  else  
    {  $y := x + 1$  }  
  {  $x \leq y$  }  
]
```

SAT & Z3

- ▶ CNF Formulas
- ▶ Converting a given formula to CNF
 - ~~Tseitin Transformation~~ or De Morgan's laws
- ▶ DPLL: Unit propagation, Pure Literals
- ▶ Z3 programming: like chicken & rabbit problem

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- ▶ Solution:

- Clause $(p) \rightarrow$ assign $p = \text{true}$.
- Substitute in formula:
 - $(\neg p \vee q) \rightarrow (\text{false} \vee q) \rightarrow q = \text{true}$.
- Clause $(\neg q \vee r) \rightarrow (\text{false} \vee r) \rightarrow r = \text{true}$.
- But $(\neg r) \rightarrow$ requires $r = \text{false}$.
- Contradiction. Unsatisfiable.

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- ▶ A literal that appears with only one polarity (only positive or only negated) in all clauses.
- ▶ DPLL sets pure literals to make all clauses containing them true, simplifying the formula.
- ▶ If we have $(p \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee r) \wedge (p \vee r)$,
→ p and r are **pure** (only positive occurrences).

Symbolic Execution

```
f5(a,b) {  
    x = 1;  
    y = 2;  
    if(a != 10) {  
        y = x + 3;  
        if(b == 0) {  
            x = 2 * (a + b);  
        }  
    }  
    return x + y;  
}
```

1: Conditions: [a == 10]

SAT Input: [a = 10]

x = 1, y = 0

2: Conditions: [a != 10, b == 0]

SAT Input: [a = 11, b = 0]

y = x + 3

x = 2 * (a + b)

3: Conditions: [a != 10, b != 0]

SAT Input: [b = 1, a = 11]

y = x + 3

Rocq

- ▶ Multiple Choice
- ▶ Fill in the blanks
- ▶ Simple proofs
- ▶ Tactics:
 - simpl, intros, induction, destruct, apply, rewrite, left/right, split,
 - assumption, contradiction, discriminate, reflexivity, trivial

Example:

Theorem `plus_0_r` : forall n : nat,
 $n + 0 = n$.

Proof.