L211 Logic and Mathematics

14. Lecture

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Previous lecture

Graphs, modules of computation

- ► spanning trees
- Primitive recursive functions
- Ackermann function
- μ -recursive functions
- Alan Turing
- Enigma
- ► Turing machine

while programming language

extremely simple programming language, all possible instructions are

- ► input: *read* X
- compute:
 - ▶ X := 0, X := X + 1, X := X 1
 - ► *Y* := *X*
- while: while $X \neq Y$ do S
- ► *S*; *S*

Example program

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read X

Z := 0

while X /= 0 do

Y := X

while Y /= 0 do

Z := Z + 1

Y := Y - 1

X := X - 1

Z
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With input 4, what is the output?

Computational model

The following statements are equivalent:

- f is μ -recursive
- f is Turing-computable (can be computed with a Turing machine)
- f is while-computable (can be computed with a while program)

The concept of *computable* is *stable*.

Sp what are *computable* functions?

Church-Turing These

Famous bugs

- Therac-25 x-ray machine: over-exposition error (5 dead, 1985–1987)
- Ariane 5 rocket, Flight 501 (overflow, 1996, \$370 million!)
- Mars Climate Orbiter: (lbf vs. N, 1999)
- ▶ Intel Pentium F00F bug: planning error
- Toyota's Electronic Throttle Control System (ETCS): sudden break accidents (2009–2011)
- Heartbleed bug (OpenSSL, 2012-2014)

Software Verification

Hoare calculus

 $\{P\} S \{Q\}$

P, Q expressions, S command

Axiom system

- ► Axiom: {*P*} skip {*P*}
- Axiom: $\{P[E/X]\} X := E \{P\}$
- Rule:

$$\frac{\{P\} \ S \ \{Q\} \quad \{Q\} \ T \ \{R\}}{\{P\} \ S; \ T \ \{R\}} \quad \frac{\{P \land B\} \ S \ \{P\}}{\{P\} \ \text{obs} \ T \ \{R\}} \quad \frac{\{P \land B\} \ S \ \{P\}}{\{P\} \ \text{while} \ B \ \text{do} \ S \ \{\neg B \land P\}}$$

Formal specification and formal specification languages

- mathematical specification of a protocol while program
- input conditions
 X > 0
- necessary conditions (output conditions) $Z = \sum_{k=1}^{X} k$
- ► formal proof

QLOCK

- Several processes are competing for the same common resource (e.g., keyboard)
- Exclusion control: we want to guarantee that only one process at a time has access to the resource
- Method:
 - A process that wants to use the resource, puts his name into a queue;
 - if the name of a process is at the top of the queue, it can use the resource;
 - after finishing, the process removes his name from the top of the queue.

QLOCK flow



Qlock Example



Various conditions

Necessary condition: mutual exclusion

Only one process at a time can use the resource.

Fairness

A process that wants to use the resource will eventually gain access to it.

Closing

Summary of the lecture

- Number systems
 - $\blacktriangleright \ \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{Q} \to \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{C}$
- Proofs
 - direct, indirect, by contradiction, by induction
- ► the Infinite
 - cardinality, countably infinite

Summary cont.

- Axiomatic method
 - constructions, Euclid, Peano
- ► Functions
 - ► Limit, sequence, series, continuity
- Computational model
 - recursive functions, Turing machine, while

Abstraction

Generalization

Formalization

Neil deGrasse Tyson – Cosmos

To make this journey, we need imagination, but immagination alone is not enough! Because the reality of nature is far more wondrous than anything we *can* imagine.

This adventure is made possible by generations of researchers strictly adhering to a simple set of rules:

- test ideas by experiment and observation,
- build on those ideas that pass the test,
- reject the ones that fail,
- follow the evidence wherever it leads,
- and question everything!

Accept these terms and the Cosmos is yours!

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