

# Formal Methods for Java

## Lecture 12: Dynamic Logic

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- Theorem Prover
- Developed at University of Karlsruhe
- <http://www.key-project.org/>.
- Theory specialized for Java(Card).
- Can generate proof-obligations from JML specification.
- Underlying theory: Sequent Calculus + Dynamic Logic

# Rigid vs. Non-Rigid Functions vs. Variables

KeY distinguishes the following symbols:

- Rigid Functions: These are functions that do not depend on the current state of the program.
  - $+, -, * : integer \times integers \rightarrow integer$  (mathematical operations)
  - $0, 1, \dots : integer, TRUE, FALSE : boolean$  (mathematical constants)
- Non-Rigid Functions: These are functions that depend on current state.
  - $\cdot[\cdot] : T \times int \rightarrow T$  (array access)
  - $\cdot.next : T \rightarrow T$  if `next` is a field of a class.
  - $i, j : T$  if `i, j` are program variables.
- Variables: These are logical variables that can be quantified. Variables may not appear in programs.
  - $x, y, z$

## Example

$$\forall x. i = x \rightarrow \langle \{ \text{while}(i > 0) \{ i = i - 1; \} \} \rangle i = 0$$

- 0, 1, - are rigid functions.
- > is a rigid relation.
- i is a non-rigid function.
- x is a logical variable.

Quantification over *i* is not allowed and *x* must not appear in a program.

# Builtin Rigid Functions

- $+, -, *, /, \%, jdiv, jmod$ : operations on *integer*.
- $\dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots, TRUE, FALSE, null$ : constants.
- $(A)$  for any type  $A$ : cast function.
- $A :: get$  gives the  $n$ -th object of type  $A$ .

The formula  $\langle i = t; \alpha \rangle \phi$  is rewritten to

$$\{i := t\} \langle \alpha \rangle \phi$$

Formula  $\{i := t\} \phi$  is true, iff

$\phi$  holds in a state, where the program variable  $i$  has the value denoted by the term  $t$ .

Here:

- $i$  is a program variable (non-rigid function).
- $t$  is a term (may contain logical variables).
- $\phi$  a formula

# Simplifying Updates

If  $\phi$  contains no modalities, then  $\{x := t\}\phi$  is rewritten to  $\phi[t/x]$ .

A double update  $\{x_1 := t_1, x_2 := t_2\}\{x_1 := t'_1, x_3 := t'_3\}\phi$  is automatically rewritten to

$$\{x_1 := t'_1[t_1/x_1, t_2/x_2], x_2 := t_2, x_3 := t'_3[t_1/x_1, t_2/x_2]\}\phi$$

Example:  $\langle\{i = j; j = i + 1\}\rangle i = j$

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle\{i = j; j = i + 1\}\rangle i = j \\ \equiv & \{i := j\}\{j := i+1\}i = j \\ \equiv & \{i := j, j := j + 1\}i = j \\ \equiv & j = j + 1 \\ \equiv & \mathbf{false} \end{aligned}$$

or alternatively

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle\{i = j; j = i + 1\}\rangle i = j \\ \equiv & \{i := j\}\{j := i+1\}i = j \\ \equiv & \{i := j\}i = i + 1 \\ \equiv & j = j + 1 \\ \equiv & \mathbf{false} \end{aligned}$$



# Rules for Java Dynamic Logic

- $\langle\{i = j; \dots\}\rangle\phi$  is rewritten to:  
 $\{i := j\}\langle\{\dots\}\rangle\phi$ .
- $\langle\{i = j + k; \dots\}\rangle\phi$  is rewritten to:  
 $\{i := j + k\}\langle\{\dots\}\rangle\phi$ .
- $\langle\{i = j ++; \dots\}\rangle\phi$  is rewritten to:  
 $\langle\{\mathbf{int} \ j\_0; j\_0 = j; j = j + 1; i = j\_0; \dots\}\rangle\phi$ .
- $\langle\{\mathbf{int} \ k; \dots\}\rangle\phi$  is rewritten to:  
 $\langle\{\dots\}\rangle\phi$  and  $k$  is added as new program variable.

# Proving Programs with Loops

Given a simple loop:

$$\langle \{ \mathbf{while}(n > 0) \ n--; \} \rangle n = 0$$

How can we prove that the loop terminates for all  $n \geq 0$  and that  $n = 0$  holds in the final state?

## Method (1): Induction

To prove a property  $\phi(x)$  for all  $x \geq 0$  we can use induction:

- Show  $\phi(0)$ .
- Show  $\phi(x) \implies \phi(x + 1)$  for all  $x \geq 0$ .

This proves that  $\forall x (x \geq 0 \rightarrow \phi(x))$  holds.

# The rule int\_induction

The KeY-System has the rule `int_induction`

$$\frac{\Gamma \Longrightarrow \Delta, \phi(0) \quad \Gamma \Longrightarrow \Delta, \forall X(X \geq 0 \wedge \phi(X) \rightarrow \phi(X + 1)) \quad \Gamma, \forall X(X \geq 0 \rightarrow \phi(X)) \Longrightarrow \Delta}{\Gamma \Longrightarrow \Delta}$$

The three goals are:

- Base Case:  $\Longrightarrow \phi(0)$
- Step Case:  $\Longrightarrow \forall X(X \geq 0 \wedge \phi(X) \rightarrow \phi(X + 1))$
- Use Case:  $\forall X(X \geq 0 \rightarrow \phi(X)) \Longrightarrow$

## Method(2): Loop Invariants with Variants

Induction proofs are very difficult to perform for a loop

$$\langle \{ \mathbf{while}(COND) BODY; \dots \} \rangle \phi$$

The KeY-system supports special rules for while loops using invariants and variants.

## The rule `while_invariant_with_variant_dec`

The rule `while_invariant_with_variant_dec` takes an invariant  $inv$ , a modifies set  $\{m_1, \dots, m_k\}$  and a variant  $v$ . The following cases must be proven.

- Initially Valid:  $\implies inv \wedge v \geq 0$
- Body Preserves Invariant:

$$\begin{aligned} \implies \{m_1 := x_1 \parallel \dots \parallel m_k := x_k\} (inv \wedge [\{b = COND;\}] b = \mathbf{true}) \\ \rightarrow \langle BODY \rangle inv \end{aligned}$$

- Use Case:

$$\begin{aligned} \implies \{m_1 := x_1 \parallel \dots \parallel m_k := x_k\} (inv \wedge [\{b = COND;\}] b = \mathbf{false}) \\ \rightarrow \langle \dots \rangle \phi \end{aligned}$$

- Termination:

$$\begin{aligned} \implies \{m_1 := x_1 \parallel \dots \parallel m_k := x_k\} (inv \wedge v \geq 0 \wedge [\{b = COND;\}] b = \mathbf{true}) \\ \rightarrow \{old := v\} \langle BODY \rangle v \leq old \wedge v \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

## Case Study: Euklid's Algorithm

Java code to compute gcd of non-negative numbers:

```
public static int gcd(int a, int b) {  
    while (a != 0 && b != 0) {  
        if (a > b)  
            a = a - b;  
        else  
            b = b - a;  
    }  
    return (a > b) ? a : b;  
}
```

Lets prove it with KeY-System.

We first need a specification.

## Definition (GCD)

Let  $a$  and  $b$  be natural numbers. A number  $d$  is the greatest common divisor (GCD) of  $a$  and  $b$  iff

- 1  $d|a$  and  $d|b$
- 2 If  $c|a$  and  $c|b$ , then  $c|d$ .

$d|a$  means  $d$  divides  $a$ .

$d|a :\Leftrightarrow \exists q. d * q = a$



# JML Specification

The specification can be converted to JML:

```
/*@
  @ requires a >= 0 &&& b >= 0;
  @ ensures \result >= 0;
  @ ensures (\exists int q; \result*q == a) &&&
  @         (\exists int q; \result*q == b) &&&
  @ (\forall int c;
  @     (\exists int q; c*q == a) &&& (\exists int q; c*q == b);
  @     (\exists int q; c*q == \result));
  @*/
public static int gcd(int a, int b)
```

So lets start proving ...

# Loop-Invariant

What is the loop invariant?

The algorithm changes  $a$  and  $b$ , but the gcd of  $a$  and  $b$  should stay the same.

In fact the set of common divisors of  $a$  and  $b$  never changes.

This suggests the following invariant:

$$\forall d. (d \mid \text{old}(a) \wedge d \mid \text{old}(b)) \leftrightarrow d \mid a \wedge d \mid b$$

In JML this can be specified as:

```
/*@ loop_invariant a >= 0 &&& b >= 0 &&&
  @   (\forall int d; true;
  @   (\exists int q; \old(a) == q*d)
  @   &&& (\exists int q; \old(b) == q*d)
  @   <==> (\exists int q; a == q*d) &&& (\exists int q; b == q*d)
  @   );
  @ assignable a, b;
  @ decreases a+b;
  @*/
```