

Applications of Formal Verification

Functional Verification of Java Programs: Java Dynamic Logic

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Not merely partial/total correctness:

- can employ programs for specification (e.g., verifying program transformations)
- can express security properties (two runs are indistinguishable)
- extension-friendly (e.g., temporal modalities)

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Dynamic Logic Example Formulas

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<
  int max = 0;
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  int i = 1;
  while ( i < a.length ) {
    if ( a[i] > max ) max = a[i];
    ++i;
  }
>(
  \forall int j; (j >= 0 & j < a.length -> max >= a[j])
  &
  (a.length > 0 ->
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- Logical variables disjoint from program variables
 - No quantification over program variables
 - Programs do not contain logical variables
 - “Program variables” actually non-rigid functions

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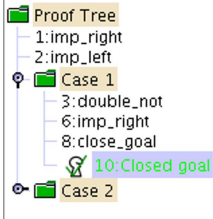
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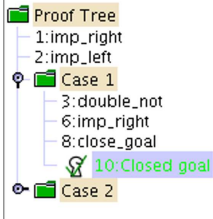
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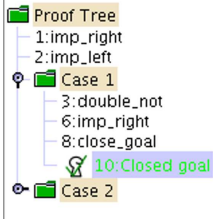
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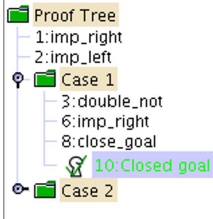
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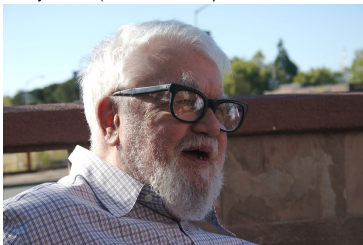
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File: [Loop2.java](#)

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Loops and Abrupt Completion

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Non-structural control flow in Java

`return`

`break`

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make loop body terminate abruptly.

Solution

Transform non-standard control flow into standard control-flow and with marker variables.

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A rule that puts together

- 1 considering **assignable** clauses
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is in chapter 3.

Further reading: KeY book Ch. 15 ??

New developments: Loop scope rule, Loop contracts