

COMP2111 Week 1
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Calculating with Logic II

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- 2 Um, actually.. set theory is not that simple.
Can you draw a picture of the empty set?
What is $\{x|x \notin x\}$?
- 3 ...so maybe logic is not as simple as it looks either.

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Because we need a logic that works, to make sure that our programs work.

Today

D12–D13, then D.1–D.3 from the IFM book.

- State
- Bound and free variables
- Substitution

All these relate to *quantifiers*.

\forall for all

\exists exists

State

States interpret terms (and by extension, formulae)

$n \mapsto 1$	integer
$b \mapsto \text{true}$	boolean
$x \mapsto 3.5$	real
$x \mapsto \{1, 2, 3\}$	set (of integers)
$x \mapsto [1, 2, 3]$	sequence (of integers)

A state is a mapping from *variables* to *values*.

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$$\int_0^1 x^y dy$$

x is a **free variable**.

y is a **bound variable** with scope x^y .

The ~~program~~ integral depends on x .

We could rename y to anything (except x) without changing the integral.

Free and bound variables

$$(\forall y \cdot y^2 \geq x)$$

x is a **free variable**.

y is a **bound variable** with scope delimited by $()$.

The ~~program~~ formula depends on x .

We could rename y to anything (except x) without changing the formula.

Substitution

$$\text{E.60} \quad (\forall x \cdot A) \Rightarrow A[x := E]$$

$$\text{E.61} \quad A[x := E] \Rightarrow (\exists x \cdot A)$$

$A[x := E]$ replaces all *free* occurrences of x in A with E .

Watch out for variable capture!

Quantifier examples

(live)

Checking programs with logic

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Idea

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$x = E$

// A

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...and we execute this line of code...

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//x = 5

x = x + 2

//x = 7

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Example (Swapping two variables)

// ?

What must be true here...

$t = x$

$x = y$

$y = t$

// $x = Y \wedge y = X$

...to make this true here?

Use the substitution principle from the previous slide repeatedly to check whether this swapping procedure works!

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Similar reasoning principles apply to other programming constructs!

Idea

```
//A
if B then
  //A  $\wedge$  B
   $\langle$ code $\rangle$ 
  //C
else
  //A  $\wedge$   $\neg$ B
   $\langle$ code $\rangle$ 
  //C
//C
```

Checking programs with logic

Here's while:

Idea

```
//A
while B
  //A ∧ B
  ⟨code⟩
  //A
//A ∧ ¬B
```

A here is a *loop invariant*.

Checking programs with logic

Example: exponentiation
(live)

That was *Hoare logic*. You can use it to synthesise programs from specifications, or to check that your programs are correct.

Main idea: annotate your code with comments that say *what's true here*. Follow the comments backwards using substitution to check them.

Hoare Logic combines *first-order predicate logic* and *program semantics*. We will study their foundations—that is, why they work—later in the course.