



COMP4161: Advanced Topics in Software Verification



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# Last time...



- $\lambda$  calculus syntax
- free variables, substitution
- $\beta$  reduction
- $\alpha$  and  $\eta$  conversion
- $\beta$  reduction is confluent
- $\lambda$  calculus is expressive (turing complete)
- $\lambda$  calculus is inconsistent (as a logic)

# Content



- Intro & motivation, getting started [1]
  
- Foundations & Principles
  - Lambda Calculus, natural deduction [1,2]
  - Higher Order Logic [3<sup>a</sup>]
  - Term rewriting [4]
  
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  - Inductively defined sets, rule induction [5]
  - Datatypes, recursion, induction [6, 7]
  - Hoare logic, proofs about programs, C verification [8<sup>b</sup>,9]
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  - Writing Automated Proof Methods [10]
  - Isar, codegen, typeclasses, locales [11<sup>c</sup>,12]

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(Church 1940)

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 $s$  must be a function  
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**That's about it**



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**Now formally again**

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- used for recursion
- lose decidability (what does  $Y (\lambda x. x)$  reduce to?)
- (Isabelle/HOL doesn't have  $Y$ ; it supports more restricted forms of recursion)

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## Solution:

Isabelle has **free** ( $x$ ), **bound** ( $x$ ), and **schematic** ( $?X$ ) variables.

**Only schematic variables can be instantiated.**

Free converted into schematic after proof is finished.



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**Higher Order:** schematic variables can be functions.

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