

# Midterm Exam

## IN4313 Model-Driven Software Development

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- This is an examination with 7 questions worth of 70 points in total.
- Use of books, readers, or notes is not allowed
- Write clearly and avoid verbose explanations
- Specify your name, student number and degree programme
- Please use a separate sheet for each question
- Check whether you have received all pages and exercises
- Answer questions in correct English or Dutch
- Total number of pages: 5.



1. (10 points) Give a definition of the concept 'domain-specific language' and illustrate your definition with an example.
2. (10 points) Explain how type checking can be composed from rules for name resolution, type analysis, and type constraints. Use examples to illustrate your explanation.
3. Consider the following modules defining the signature of context-free grammars, the signature of signatures, and the transformation of context-free grammars to signatures, and answer the following questions:
  - (a) (5 points) The transformation `cfg2sig` is not a bijection, that is, there is no transformation `sig2cfg` such that

`<cfg2sig; sig2cfg> cfg == cfg`

for any context-free grammar `cfg`. Explain why this is the case and provide a counter example.  
Point out the part of the transformation that causes this.

- (b) (5 points) While `cfg2sig` is not a bijection, there are transformations `sig2cfg` such that

`<sig2cfg; cfg2sig> sig == sig`

for any signature `sig`. Define such a transformation.

```

module CFG
signature
constructors
  Grammar      : List(Sort) * List(Production) -> Grammar
  Anno         : Term -> Annotation
  Prod          : List(Symbol) * Symbol * List(Annotation) -> Production
  ListPlusSep  : Symbol * Symbol -> Symbol
  ListStarSep   : Symbol * Symbol -> Symbol
  ListPlus     : Symbol -> Symbol
  ListStar     : Symbol -> Symbol
  Option        : Symbol -> Symbol
  : Sort -> Symbol
  Lit           : String -> Symbol
  Sort          : Id -> Sort
  Tuple         : List(Term) -> Term
  List          : List(Term) -> Term
  Application   : Constructor * List(Term) -> Term
  Constant      : Constructor -> Term
  : String -> Constructor
  : String -> String
  : String -> Id

module Signature
signature
constructors
  ListType      : Sort -> Type
  SimpleType    : Sort -> Type
  ConsDecl     : Id * List(Type) * Sort -> ConsDecl

```

```
Signature  : List(Sort) * List(ConsDecl) -> Signature
Sort       : Id -> Sort
           : String -> Id

module cfg2sig
  imports stratego-lib CFG Signature

strategies
  main = io-wrap(cfg2sig)

rules
  cfg2sig :
    Grammar(ss, ps) -> Signature(ss, cds)
    with cds := <map(production-to-consdecl)> ps

  production-to-consdecl :
    Prod(symbols, sym, annos) -> ConsDecl(x, types, sort)
    with x := <annos-to-constructor> annos
         ; types := <filter(symbol-to-type)> symbols
         ; sort := sym

  annos-to-constructor :
    [Anno(Application("cons", [Constant(c)]))] -> constr
    with constr := <unescape; un-double-quote> c

  symbol-to-type : Sort(x) -> SimpleType(Sort(x))
  symbol-to-type : ListStar(Sort(x)) -> ListType(Sort(x))
  symbol-to-type : ListPlus(Sort(x)) -> ListType(Sort(x))
  symbol-to-type : ListPlusSep(Sort(x), sym) -> ListType(Sort(x))
  symbol-to-type : ListStarSep(Sort(x), sym) -> ListType(Sort(x))
```

4. Consider the signature and rewrite rules for Prop terms. Provide a strategy and a selection of rules that normalize Prop terms to the following normal forms. Use the simplest strategy possible. Include the definition of the strategy.
- (5 points) Conjunctive normal form
  - (5 points) NATA normal form (using only Not, And, True, and Atoms)

```

signature
  sorts Prop
  constructors
    False : Prop
    True  : Prop
    Atom  : String -> Prop
    Not   : Prop -> Prop
    And   : Prop * Prop -> Prop
    Or    : Prop * Prop -> Prop
    Eq    : Prop * Prop -> Prop
    Impl  : Prop * Prop -> Prop
  rules
    DAOL  : And(Or(x, y), z) -> Or(And(x, z), And(y, z))
    DAOR  : And(z, Or(x, y)) -> Or(And(z, x), And(z, y))
    DOAL  : Or(And(x, y), z) -> And(Or(x, z), Or(y, z))
    DOAR  : Or(z, And(x, y)) -> And(Or(z, x), Or(z, y))
    DN    : Not(Not(x)) -> x
    DMA   : Not(And(x, y)) -> Or(Not(x), Not(y))
    DMO   : Not(Or(x, y)) -> And(Not(x), Not(y))
    DefT  : True() -> Not(False())
    DefF  : False() -> Not(True())
    DefN  : Not(x) -> Impl(x, False)
    DefI  : Impl(x, y) -> Or(Not(x), y)
    DefE  : Eq(x, y) -> And(Impl(x, y), Impl(y, x))
    DefO1 : Or(x, y) -> Impl(Not(x), y)
    DefO2 : Or(x, y) -> Not(And(Not(x), Not(y)))
    DefA1 : And(x, y) -> Not(Or(Not(x), Not(y)))
    DefA2 : And(x, y) -> Not(Impl(x, Not(y)))
    IDefI : Or(Not(x), y) -> Impl(x, y)
    IDefE : And(Impl(x, y), Impl(y, x)) -> Eq(x, y)
  
```

5. Consider the following syntax definition of the language TRS that consists of rewrite rules over terms, the language EXP of expressions, and the embedding of the concrete syntax for the language EXP in TRS.

```

module TRS
  exports
    context-free syntax
      Id                      -> Term {cons("Var")}
      Id "(" {Term ","}* ")" -> Term {cons("Op")}
      Term "->" Term        -> Rule {cons("Rule")}
      Rule*                  -> TRS {cons("TRS")}

module Exp
  exports
    sorts Exp
    context-free syntax
      Id                      -> Exp {cons("Var")}
      Id "(" {Exp ","}* ")" -> Exp {cons("Call")}
      Exp "+" Exp            -> Exp {cons("Plus"),left}

module TRS-Exp
  imports TRS Exp
  exports
    context-free syntax
      "|[" Exp "]|" -> Term {cons("ToTerm"),prefer}
      "~" Term          -> Exp {cons("FromTerm"),prefer}
    variables
      "e" [0-9]* -> Exp {prefer}

```

- (a) (6 points) Define rewrite rules and a strategy that transform a TRS-EXP TRS to a plain TRS.  
 (b) (2 points) Give an example of the application of the transformation.  
 (c) (2 points) Explain the role of the ToTerm and FromTerm productions.
6. Consider the following abstract definition of access control rule weaving in WebDSL:

define page p( $\vec{x}$ ) { elem* }
Page: $\Downarrow$ rule page p( $\vec{x}$ ) { e } $\Downarrow$
define page p( $\vec{x}$ ) { init{ if(!e) { redirect accessDenied(); } } elem* }

- (a) (3 points) Explain the transformation.  
 (b) (7 points) Give an implementation of this transformation using dynamic rules.

7. (10 points) Consider the following abstract syntax definition describing a simplified version of template definitions and template calls in WebDSL.

```
module TEMPL
signature
  sorts Elem Exp App
  constructors
    App : List(Elem)           -> App // application
    Def : Id * List(Id) * List(Elem) -> Elem // template definition
    Call : Id * List(Exp) * List(Elem) -> Elem // template call
    Var : Id                   -> Exp // variable
    Fld : Exp * Id            -> Exp // field access
```

The following term is an example of the use of this language, defining a blog template with a local definition of the body template, and calling the main template.

```
App([
  Def("main", [], [ Call("top", [], []), Call("body", [], [])])
  Def("top", [], [ Call("menubar", [], [...] ) ])
  Def("body", [], [])
  Def("entry", ["e"], [ Call("header", [Fld(Var("e")), "title"] ), [] ])
  Def("blog", ["b"], [
    Def("body", [], [ Call("entry", [Fld(Fld(Var("b")), "entries"), "first"] ), [] ])
    Call("main", [], [])
  ])
])
```

One implementation of such template definitions is inlining of template definitions. Using inlining, the definition of the blog template is transformed to:

```
Def("blog", ["b"], [
  Call("menubar", [], [... ])
  Call("header", [Fld(Fld(Fld(Var("b")), "entries"), "first"), "title"])]
])
```

Note that actual expression parameters are substituted for formal parameters. Give rewrite rules and a strategy implementing template inlining for TEMPL.

