PEP Scala (5)

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Marks for CW7 (Part 1 + 2)

Raw marks (234 submissions):

- 6%: 192 students
- 5%: 16
- 4%: 7
- 3%: 2
- 2%: 6
- **●** 1%: I
- 0%: 9

```
def get_csv_url(url: String) : List[String] = {
  val csv = Try(Source.fromURL(url)).getOrElse(null)
  if (csv == null){
    List()
  }
  else {
    ....
  }
}
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   Try(Source.fromURL(url)....).getOrElse(Nil)
```

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def get_csv_url(url: String) : List[String] = {
    try {
        val csvFile = Source.fromURL(url)
        ....
    } catch {
        case unknown : Throwable => List()
    }
}
```

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Dijkstra on Testing

"Program testing can be a very effective way to show the presence of bugs, but it is hopelessly inadequate for showing their absence."

Proving Programs to be Correct

Theorem: There are infinitely many prime numbers.

Proof ...

similarly

Theorem: The program is doing what it is supposed to be doing.

Long, long proof ...

This can be a gigantic proof. The only hope is to have help from the computer. 'Program' is here to be understood to be quite general (compiler, OS, ...).

Can This Be Done?

- in 2011, verification of a small C-compiler (CompCert)
 - "if my input program has a certain behaviour, then the compiled machine code has the same behaviour"
 - is as good as gcc -01, but much, much less buggy



Fuzzy Testing C-Compilers

- tested GCC, LLVM and others by randomly generating C-programs
- found more than 300 bugs in GCC and also many in LLVM (some of them highest-level critical)
- about CompCert:

"The striking thing about our CompCert results is that the middle-end bugs we found in all other compilers are absent. As of early 2011, the under-development version of CompCert is the only compiler we have tested for which Csmith cannot find wrong-code errors. This is not for lack of trying: we have devoted about six CPU-years to the task."

seL4 / Isabelle

- verified a microkernel operating system (≈8000 lines of C code)
- US DoD has competitions to hack into drones; they found that the isolation guarantees of seL4 hold up
- CompCert and seL4 sell their code

seL4 / Isabelle

 verified a micro lines of C code

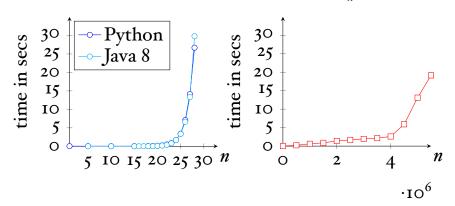


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CW9: Regexes

Graphs: $(a^*)^*b$ and strings $\underbrace{a \dots a}_{n}$



Kuklewicz: most POSIX matchers are buggy http://www.haskell.org/haskellwiki/Regex Posix

Where to go on from here?

- Martin Odersky (EPFL)...he is currently throwing out everything and starts again with the dotty compiler for Scala
- Elm (http://elm-lang.org)...web applications with style
- Haskell, Ocaml, Standard ML, Scheme, ...

Questions?

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Marks for CW6 (Part 1 + 2)

Raw marks:

- 6%: 154 students
- 5%: 66
- 4%: 18
- 3%: I3
- **●** 2%: 2
- 1%: I
- 0%: 21