

# 編程語言的設計原理 Design Principles of Programming Languages

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## Self-Introduction



#### About Me



- 1988: BS, Computer Science, Shanghai Jiaotong Univ.
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#### **Research Interest**



- Functional Programming
  - Calculating Efficient Functional Programs
  - ACM ICFP 2011 General Co-Chair
  - ACM ICFP Steering Committee Co-Chair (2012-)
- Algorithmic Languages and Calculi
  - Parallel programming and Automatic Parallelization
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- Bidirectional Transformation Languages in SE
  - Bidirectional languages for software evolution
  - Steering Committee Member of BX, ICMT



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#### About Prof. Zhao



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#### **Course Overview**



What is this course about?



- Study fundamental (formal) approaches to describing program behaviors that are both precise and abstract.
  - precise so that we can use mathematical tools to formalize and check interesting properties
  - abstract so that properties of interest can be discussed clearly, without getting bogged down in low-level details



What you can get out of this course?



- A more sophisticated perspective on programs, programming languages, and the activity of programming
  - How to view programs and whole languages as formal, mathematical objects
  - How to make and prove rigorous claims about them
  - Detailed study of a range of basic language features
- Powerful tools/techniques for language design, description, and analysis



This course is not about ...



- An introduction to programming
- A course on compiler
- A course on functional programming
- A course on language paradigms/styles

All the above are certainly helpful for your deep understanding of this course.



What background is required?



- Basic knowledge on
  - Discrete mathematics: sets, functions, relations, orders
  - Algorithms: list, tree, graph, stack, queue, heap
  - Elementary logics: propositional logic, first-order logic
- Familiar with a programming language and basic knowledge of compiler construction



# Textbook



- Types and Programming Languages
- 作者: Benjamin Pierce
- 出版社: The MIT Press
- 出版年: 2002-02-01
- 页数: 648
- 定价: USD 72.00
- 装帧: Hardcover
- ISBN: 9780262162098



Let us see how much we can cover in one semester in PKU.



# Outline



- Basic operational semantics and proof techniques
- Untyped Lambda calculus
- Simple typed Lambda calculus
- Simple extensions (basic and derived types)
- References
- Exceptions
- Subtyping
- Recursive types
- Polymorphism
- [Higher-order systems]



# Grading



- Activity in class: 20%
- Homework: 40%
- Final (Report/Presentation?): 40%



How to study this course?



- Before class: scanning through the chapters to learn and gain feeling about what will be studied
- In class: trying your best to understand the contents and raising hands when you have questions
- After class: doing exercises seriously
  - $\star$ Quick check30 seconds to 5 minutes $\star\star$ Easy $\leq 1$  hour $\star\star\star$ Moderate $\leq 3$  hours $\star\star\star\star$ Challenging> 3 hours



# Personnel



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### Information



• Course website:

http://sei.pku.edu.cn/~xiongyf04/DPPL/2014.htm

- Syllabus
- News/Announcements
- Lecture Notes (slides)
- Other useful resources





#### Chapter 1: Introduction

# What is a type system? What type systems are good for? Type Systems and Programming Languages



What is a type system (type theory)?



- A type system is a tractable syntactic method for proving the absence of certain (bad) program behaviors by classifying phrases according to the kinds of values they compute.
  - Tools for program reasoning
  - Classification of terms
  - Static approximation
  - Proving the absence rather than presence
  - Fully automatic (and efficient)



What are type systems good for?



- Detecting Errors
  - Many programming errors can be detected early, fixed intermediately and easily.
- Abstraction
  - type systems form the backbone of the module languages: an interface itself can be viewed as "the type of a module."
- Documentation
  - The type declarations in procedure headers and module interfaces constitute a form of (checkable) documentation.
- Language Safety
  - A safe language is one that protects its own abstractions.
- Efficiency
  - Removal of dynamic checking; smart code-generation



Type Systems and Languages Design



- Language design should go hand-in-hand with type system design.
  - Languages without type systems tend to offer features that make typechecking difficult or infeasible.
  - Concrete syntax of typed languages tends to be more complicated than that of untyped languages, since type annotations must be taken into account.

In typed languages the type system itself is often taken as the foundation of the design and the organizing principle in light of which every other aspect of the design is considered.



# Homework



- Read Chapters 1 and 2.
- Install OCaml and read "Basics"
  - http://caml.inria.fr/download.en.html
  - http://ocaml.org/learn/tutorials/basics.html

