inf453 - Combination of Specification Techniques

Module label
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Module code
inf453

Credit points
6.0 KP

Workload
180 h

Used in course of study
- Master's Programme Computing Science > Theoretische Informatik
- Master's Programme Embedded Systems and Microrobotics > Akzentsetzungsmodul

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Entry requirements
inf400/inf401 Theoretische Informatik I and II

Skills to be acquired in this module
Introduction to the specification languages Z for data, CSP for processes, and their combination CSP-OZ for reactive systems with data and process parts.

Professional competence
The students:
- specify data and processes with Z, CSP and CSP-OZ formally
- check data refinement relations formally
- verify CSP-OZ specifications with FDR model checker

Methodological competence
The students:
- are able to integrate complementary specification methods

Social competence
The students:
- work together in small groups to solve problems
- present solutions to problems to groups of other students

Self-competence
The students:
- learn persistence in pursuing difficult tasks
- learn precision in specifying problems

Module contents
The course addresses a research trend in formal methods, the combination and integration of different specification methods. It focuses on a concrete combination CSP-OZ of the specification techniques CSP (Communicating Sequential Processes) for processes and Z and Object-Z for data, respectively. Reactive systems are described by CSP-OZ.

As a preparation, the specification languages Z and CSP are described, followed by the combination CSP-OZ with its process-oriented semantics. The concepts of refinement and inheritance and the possibility of automatic verification of a sublanguage of CSP-OZ with the FDR model checker for CSP will be discussed. Finally, the course explains possibilities of extending CSP-OZ for the specification of time-critical systems.

Topics:
- specification of complex data and operations in Z, type definition and pattern calculations of Z, data refinement
- specifications of communicating processes in CSP, operational semantics of CSP, three abstract semantic models
for CSP: Trace semantics, failures semantics, failures-divergences semantics, process refinement in
the above semantics, FDR model checker for CSP

- combined specification method CSP-OZ, transformational semantics as CSP-process,
  theorems of refinements,
  object-oriented concepts of class and inheritance in CSP-OZ

Reader's advisory

Essential:


Recommended:


Links

Language of instruction German
Duration (semesters) 1 Semester
Module frequency unregelmäßig
Module capacity unlimited
Modullevel ---
Modulart je nach Studiengang Pflicht oder Wahlpflicht
Lern-/Lehrform / Type of program - inf400 Theoretische Informatik I
  - inf401 Theoretische Informatik II
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge

Examination
Final exam of module At the end of the lecture period exercises and oral exam

Course type
Lecture 3.00
Exercises 1.00

Total time of attendance for the module 56 h

Workload attendance
42 h
14 h
56 h