COMP2111 Week 1
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Calculating with Logic II
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Um, actually.. set theory is not that simple. Can you draw a picture of the empty set? What is \( \{ x | x \notin x \} \)?

...so maybe logic is not as simple as it looks either.
Monday recap

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Why do we care?

Because we need a logic that works, to make sure that our programs work.
Today

D12–D13, then D.1–D.3 from the IFM book.

- State
- Bound and free variables
- Substitution

All these relate to *quantifiers*.

\[ \forall \text{ for all} \]
\[ \exists \text{ exists} \]
State

States interpret terms (and by extension, formulae)

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\begin{align*}
n & \mapsto 1 \quad \text{integer} \\
b & \mapsto \text{true} \quad \text{boolean} \\
x & \mapsto 3.5 \quad \text{real} \\
x & \mapsto \{1, 2, 3\} \quad \text{set (of integers)} \\
x & \mapsto [1, 2, 3] \quad \text{sequence (of integers)}
\end{align*}
\]

A state is a mapping from \textit{variables} to \textit{values}. 
Free and bound variables

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    printf("%d, %d.", x, y);
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\text{printf}(&"%d, %d\)., x, y); \\
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The program depends on \text{x}.

We could rename \text{y} to anything (except \text{x}) without changing the program.
Free and bound variables

\[ \int_0^1 x^y \, dy \]

\( x \) is a free variable.

\( y \) is a bound variable with scope \( x^y \).

The program integral depends on \( x \).

We could rename \( y \) to anything (except \( x \)) without changing the integral.
Free and bound variables

\((\forall y \cdot y^2 \geq x)\)

\(x\) is a free variable.

\(y\) is a bound variable with scope delimited by ( ).

The program formula depends on \(x\).

We could rename \(y\) to anything (except \(x\)) without changing the formula.
Substitution

E.60  \((\forall x \cdot A) \Rightarrow A[x := E]\)
E.61  \(A[x := E] \Rightarrow (\exists x \cdot A)\)

\(A[x := E]\) replaces all free occurrences of \(x\) in \(A\) with \(E\).

Watch out for variable capture!
Quantifier examples

(live)
Checking programs with logic

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E.61 \(A[x := E] \Rightarrow (\exists x \cdot A)\)

Idea

// A[x := E]  
If this is true initially...

x = E  
...and we execute this line of code...

// A  
...then this is true afterwards.

Notice that execution flows forwards, but the substitution flows backwards!
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Idea

//x = 5  
If this is true initially...

x = x + 2  
...and we execute this line of code...

//x = 7  
...then this is true afterwards.

Notice that execution flows forwards, but the substitution flows backwards!
Example (Swapping two variables)

```
// ?
t = x
x = y
y = t
// x = Y ∧ y = X
```

What must be true here...

...to make this true here?

Use the substitution principle from the previous slide repeatedly to check whether this swapping procedure works!
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Similar reasoning principles apply to other programming constructs!

Idea

// A
if B then
  // A ∧ B
  ⟨code⟩
  // C
else
  // A ∧ ¬B
  ⟨code⟩
  // C
// C
Here’s while:

```
// A
while B
  // A ∧ B
  ⟨ code ⟩
  // A
  // A ∧ ¬ B
A here is a loop invariant.
```
Checking programs with logic

Example: exponentiation

(live)
That was Hoare logic. You can use it to synthesise programs from specifications, or to check that your programs are correct.

Main idea: annotate your code with comments that say what’s true here. Follow the comments backwards using substitution to check them.

Hoare Logic combines first-order predicate logic and program semantics. We will study their foundations—that is, why they work—later in the course.