

Computer Engineering 70
Formal Specification and Advanced Data Structures
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10:30 am – 11:35 am

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Textbooks

Required: Ullman, *Elements of ML Programming, ML97 Edition*, 1998

Grading

Lab assignments: 20%
Midterm exams: 40% (1/27 and 2/17)
Final exam: 40% (3/15)

Overview

Abstract data types: lists (including stacks, queues, dequeues, and priority queues), sets, multisets (bags), maps (dictionaries), and graphs

Data structures: lists (linked-lists), binary trees (including binary search trees and AVL trees), 2-3 trees, heaps (including binary heaps, binomial heaps, and fibonacci heaps)

Computer science theory: algebraic specification, axiomatic semantics, structural induction, normal forms

Course Objectives

Students will be able . . .

1. To understand the specification, representation, implementation, and use of abstract data types.
2. To understand structural induction as a generalization of mathematical induction.
3. To develop skills for working on teams.
4. To develop facility with a different style of programming than that to which they are accustomed.

Learning Outcomes

Students will . . .

1. Use a formal specification language to define ADTs.
2. Compare and contrast the tasks of specification, representation, and implementation of ADTs.
3. Use both representation dependent and representation independent programming appropriately.
4. Develop programs that implement and/or use ADTs in a language representing a programming paradigm that is different from that learned in the introductory programming sequence.
5. Given a scenario/problem: Identify/invent an appropriate ADT to use in the solution; Define and evaluate multiple options for representation of the chosen ADT; Define and evaluate multiple options for implementation of the chosen representation.
6. Use structural induction as the basis for: Inductive definition of domains; Recursive definition of functions/relations over inductively defined domains; Proofs of properties of recursive functions and elements of inductively defined domains.
7. Evaluate teamwork of three different lab teams during the quarter, based on a rubric provided by the instructor.

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