Course Information and Syllabus

This course introduces a selection of theories, practices, and tools that, we believe, will enhance the student's ability in developing correct and high quality software. The view taken here is that of an engineer (programmer, software engineer, or software architect) and hence the focus of the course is primarily on the technical aspects of software development process.

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Prerequisites

Object-Oriented Programming and Discrete Mathematics

Textbook

Class Notes and Selected Readings

Syllabus/Schedule

After an introduction of the subject matter and a brief glimpse of formal logic and program correctness, we will study in great detail the UML, design patterns, and some fundamental elements of formal software verification.

- Introduction (.5 week: 09/18a) overview of software requirements, development process, design methods, and testing/verification tools.
- Formal Logic and Program Correctness (2.5 weeks: 09/18b, 09/25, 10/02) propositional logic (satisfiability, tautologies, deduction/proofs), first-order logic (validity, deduction/proofs, soundness, completeness), axiomatic semantics of programs (assertions, pre/post-conditions, invariants), partial and total correctness.
- UML I (2 weeks: 10/09, 10/16) introduction, basics of modeling, overview of the UML, structural modeling (class diagrams, classifiers, interfaces, packages, object diagrams), behavioral modeling (interactions, use case diagrams, interaction diagrams, activity diagrams), architectural modeling (components, collaborations, patterns, frameworks, component diagrams, deployment diagrams)

- Design Patterns (Jeffrey CH Liu, Clement CW Su, and Jim CL Yu, IBM) (4 weeks: 10/23, 10/30, 11/06, 11/13)
 - 1. introduction (use case, design document, development tool), creational patterns (abstract factory, builder, factory method, prototype, singleton)
 - 2. behavioral patterns I (chain of responsibility, command, interpreter, iterator, mediator, memento, observer, state)
 - 3. behavioral patterns II (strategy, template method, visitor), structural patterns (adapter, bridge, composite, decorator, facade, flyweight, proxy)
 - 4. architecture review, design document wrap-up, other topics (anti-patterns, advanced patterns, refactoring)
- Invited Industrial Talk (Tony Yang, GSS) (1 week: 11/20) Applications of UML and Design Patterns: Some Real-Life Experiences
- UML II (2 weeks: 11/27, 12/4) advanced behavioral modeling (events, state machines, processes and threads, state-chart diagrams), Object Constraint Language (OCL)
- Program Verification Tools (1 week: 12/11) Spec#, JML (Java Modeling Language) tools (Common JML Tools, ESC/Java2)
- Midterm (2008/12/18)
- Software Model Checking (2 weeks: 12/25, 01/08) linear-time model checking (Kripke structure, linear temporal logic, Büchi automata, automata-theoretic algorithms), Spin (Promela, never-claims)
- Term Project Presentations

(2009/01/15)

Web Site

http://www.im.ntu.edu.tw/~tsay/courses/sdm/

Grading

Homework 20%, Midterm 40%, Term Project 40%.

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