

CS 4110

Programming Languages & Logics

Lecture 29
Featherweight Java

9 November 2016



Announcements

- Homework #8 due tonight at 11:59pm
- No new homework out: Prelim II is next week

Roadmap

We've been building up from the λ -calculus to get languages resembling “real” functional programming languages like ML.

Can we use the same tools to formalize a very different kind of language?

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Its simplicity makes its type soundness proof short and easy to extend.

What *is* Object-Oriented Programming?

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- 1. e is a value,*
- 2. there exists an expression e' such that $e \rightarrow e'$, or*
- 3. $e = E[(B) (new A(\bar{v}))]$ with $A \not\leq B$.*