Complexity Measurement of a Graphical Programming Language and Comparison of a Graphical and a Textual Design Language

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For many years the software engineering community has been attacking the software reliability
problem on two fronts. First via design methodologies, languages and tools as a precheck on quality and second by measuring the quality of produced software as a postcheck. This research attempts to unify the approach to creating reliable software by providing the ability to measure the quality of a design prior to its implementation. Also presented is a comparison of a graphical and a textual design language in an effort to support cognitive science research findings that the human brain works more effectively in images than in text.
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Chapter 1. Introduction

Introduction

The software design phase can generally be divided into two major stages, namely architectural or general design, and detailed design [YAUS 86]. General design is responsible for translating requirement specifications into system structure. This stage places emphasis on module definition and on the interrelationships among modules. Design techniques include the concepts of top-down design and functional decomposition. The system architect begins by analyzing the requirements specification and decomposing the system into functional units or modules. The major concerns are not how a problem is to be solved, but instead, differentiating the sub-problems of the problem and documenting the communication which must occur among the sub-problems. The process of identifying the sub-problems of a problem is commonly referred to as functional decomposition and its recursive application within the sub-problems defines the system structure and leads to the detailed design stage where the architectural design is transformed into the procedural description of a software system. This second stage or detailed design phase emphasizes the selection and evaluation of algorithms. Design techniques for this level include the concepts of bottom-up design and stepwise refinement. Once the structure of a system is defined to a point where the solution to the sub-problem becomes obvious, a designer may discontinue the top-down design approach.
and begin designing bottom-up via the definition of utility routines to be used in the solution. The solution to the sub-problem is then defined by application of these utilities within specific routines. Some designers never revert to designing in a bottom-up fashion, instead, they continue the top-down approach by laying out the algorithmic structure within procedures while avoiding actual representation details as long as possible. The continuance of top-down design is called stepwise refinement. The two stage definition of design aides in the discussion of the different design methodologies previously and currently employed.

The detailed design phase of the software life cycle is the focus of this thesis. With this in mind, tools to assist the designer with this phase are briefly described.

**Flowcharts**

Flowcharting is the traditional means for specifying and documenting the algorithmic details in a software system and over the years a great controversy has developed concerning its usefulness [FAIR 85]. Flowcharts have been called everything from “an essential tool in problem solving” [BOHM 71] to “an obsolete nuisance” [BROF 75]. Flowcharts are generally accepted as a useful tool for diagramming program flow of control, however, problems arise when a flowchart gets large and no longer fits on a single page. Other weaknesses include the inability to represent complex decision predicates legibly in the small space of a decision diamond and the frustration associated with drawing flowcharts and having no easy way to modify them. Therefore other representations evolved.
HIPO Diagrams

A derivative of flowcharts called HIPO diagrams (Hierarchy-Process-Input-Output) were developed at IBM as "design representation schemes for top-down software development, and as external documentation aids for released products" [FAIR 85]. HIPO charts consist of three parts: a visual table of contents, a set of overview diagrams, and a set of detail diagrams. The table of contents is a tree structured or graph structured directory of the contents of the overview diagrams. The table of contents also includes a legend of symbol definitions. The overview diagrams specify the inputs, processing steps and outputs of a functional unit of the system. The overview diagram format consists of boxes that are filled with English-like phrases describing the execution process and connected with arrows to indicate the flow of control. The internals of the boxes may also contain a description of the procedure interface, local data structures, timing constraints, side effects, and procedure limitations. Detail diagrams have the same format as overview diagrams. HIPO charts are an attempt to bypass the obvious problems found with flowcharts, and are a step in the right direction in terms of the elimination of off-page connections and the use of English-like phrases for decision predicate specification. However, the inability to easily modify the charts still exists.

Pseudocode

Another widely used design tool is pseudocode. Like flowcharts and HIPO diagrams, pseudocode can be used to represent both detailed and architectural designs. Using pseudocode, the designer uses English-like language phrases intermixed with keywords like WHILE, and IF-THEN-ELSE. The use of the keywords combined with indentation shows the flow of control within the system, and the English phrases describe the processing. Since there are no structuring rules, each individual uses his own style and syntax. Upon examination of several designers' concepts of pseudocode format, the need for some sort of standardization becomes apparent.
By adding syntactic requirements to pseudocode, standardization of pseudocode format is achieved and one defines what is called a program design language or PDL. Program design languages can be used in both the architectural and detail design stages. A good PDL is adaptable to its environment, is familiar to both designers and programmers, and has a nonrestrictive syntax to allow the designer to freely express himself. Among the advantages of PDL's is the ease of modification, since they can be stored in text files. Other advantages are the ability to syntactically check the design and easily translate a design to high level code. A study comparing PDL's to flowcharts found PDL's to be a superior design tool [RAMH 83]. PDL's, however, have some disadvantages not found in flowcharting. Like high level programs, PDL's do not provide a clear representation of the flow of control in a system, and their use requires the burden of an imposed syntax.

Psychological studies have shown that the brain processes visual information faster than verbal information and that humans actually think in pictures. These findings are the motivation for designing with graphs. Bill Benzon, a researcher in cognitive science, has stated that, "if you want to think about how ideas fit together and to teach this material to others then graph notation is the most useful" [BENB 85]. Graphs permit the designer to visualize all the components of a system quickly and easily, thus allowing the thought process to concentrate on development. A textual listing of the same system requires the designer to read each line and painstakingly assemble a view of the system and its components. Design graphs are also easily understandable by inexperienced programmers and nonprogrammer managers since there is little syntax to learn and only a small set of symbols with which to become familiar. Graphical design languages are excellent tools for architectural design, and in contrast to their graphical ancestors are well suited to detailed design.
GDL’s can also have the added feature of automated translation to high level programming language code. Versatility and ease of use are responsible for the wider acceptance and application of GDL’s in real world environments.

Existing GDL’s

_Program Visualization_

The Program Visualization environment, which was developed at the Computer Corporation of America, is devoted primarily to the dynamic graphical execution of systems. The graphical system “simulation”, is concerned mainly with the changes made to structured data. The developers maintain that the depictions of flow of control do not need to be as complex as the depictions of data [BROG 85]. Program Visualization uses multiple windows to display both code and graphics while showing control flow within the windows by highlighting the portions of the system being executed. The graphical depiction of data has the capability to monitor and display changes in such common data structures as numeric variables, arrays, linked lists, and trees. The user can create graphical pictures and link them to code and data, thus establishing high-level icons that can be used during execution monitoring. The level of abstraction displayed can be chosen by the programmer, with choices ranging from top-level drawings of the whole system being developed to bottom-level depictions of language code. The construction of programs and static graphics by assembly can be viewed as an extension of current practices, in particular, the use of subroutine libraries. The Program Visualization system provides a navigational aid facility for access to the library routines. Typically the library would contain both graphical and code templates for commonly used data structures and graphical symbols or building blocks. Kits are mixed collections of building blocks and templates. An example of the use of the library might be the storage of standard flowchart notation in a kit. The user can then create flowcharts by simply copying symbols from the kit into the diagram window, filling in the text as is necessary.
PegaSys

PegaSys is an experimental system whose main purpose is to use graphical images as formal, machine processable, documentation and an explanation of system designs. A program design is described in PegaSys by a hierarchy of interrelated pictures. Each picture describes data and control dependencies among such entities as "subprograms," "processes," "modules," and "data objects" [MORM 85]. Particularly interesting is the PegaSys system's ability to: check whether pictures are syntactically meaningful, enforce a design development methodology throughout its functional decomposition, and determine whether a resulting program meets its pictorial documentation. These abilities are achieved through the use of a graphical calculus formulae representation of diagrams. A grammar for the graphical calculus allows for syntactic checking and for enforcement of the decomposition process. PegaSys also provides a full featured graphical editing system for the creation and refinement (functional decomposition) of diagrams.

Pict

The Pict system is a departure from the approach of the preceding systems in that it is designed to aid program implementation rather than algorithm design and selection. Pict is actually a program development environment, providing all the tools users need to compose, edit, and run their programs while being integrated within a simple consistent command structure [GLIE 84]. Once Pict is entered, the user need not touch the keyboard; communication with the system is by some suitable input device like a joystick or mouse. Programs are constructed using graphical icons to represent data structures, parameter passing modes, variables, and program operations. Even subprogram names are represented by icons that are created by the user with an icon editing facility. Control structures are represented by colored directed paths. Program syntax is continuously checked during development, and inconsistencies are eliminated --- even when a program or subprogram is only partially specified. Once a subprogram is developed, the icon representing its name
is inserted into a menu tree, this icon can then be accessed to reuse the subprogram in other developments. A user may also delete an icon from the menu tree, and all links to that icon are automatically removed.

**GPL**

GPL is the graphical programming language of the Dialogue Management System, DMS, being developed at Virginia Tech [HARR 85]. GPL follows the Supervised Flow design methodology which dictates that each program and subprogram has a supervisor which supervises all the flow of information within a diagram. The diagrams of the programs are called Supervised Flow Diagrams, or SFDs. The DMS environment provides a graphical editor for the creation of SFD's which consist of a small set of icons representing decisions, subprogram calls, input/output operations, statement blocks, start, return, and control and data flow lines. GPL, like Pict, is unique in the sense that it too is a programming language rather than just a design language. The DMS system has a coder, which takes the SFD's for a program and generates high level language code. Currently the coder generates 'C' code, however, eventually a user will have a choice of languages to generate. The DMS project also has plans for a Behavioral Demonstrator which will dynamically execute a program, while allowing the user to examine and change variable values, and exhaustively test parts of a program [CALJ 85], [SMIE 86].

**Conclusion**

Having recognized the need for a structured design methodology, many different design tools and techniques developed including: flowcharts, HIPO diagrams, pseudocode, program design languages and graphical design languages. The transition to each new technique is motivated by the inadequacies of currently available techniques. The most recent transition from PDL's to GDL's

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has sound theoretical support from the field of cognitive science which concludes that the human brain processes pictorial information more efficiently. In this research an automated software quality metric analysis tool is used to verify that the complexity of graphical designs can be measured and, more importantly, that programs designed using a graphical design language are less complex than those designed with a PDL.

Chapter two gives a brief description of some of the established software quality metrics along with a description of the software quality metric analysis tool used in this study. In chapter three is a detailed description of the graphical design language, used in this study, and a technique for analyzing the language. The results of measuring the graphical language are presented in chapter four and a comparison of the graphical language and a textual design language is given in chapter five. Chapter six contains an intermetric analysis that supports the findings of an earlier metric study and a description of some earlier results. Finally, chapter seven recounts conclusions and identifies future work.
Chapter 2. Overview of Metrics

Introduction

While some of the software engineering community has been dedicating time to developing tools and methodologies to aid in the design process, another sector of the community has been developing the means to measure and analyze the quality of software. An enormous amount of literature has been written covering a broad spectrum of proposed measurements. For this study the qualitative, nonautomatable and nonintuitive metrics are ignored. Nonautomatable or qualitative metrics are not of interest to the practitioners. Measuring a real system of 500,000 lines of code is not practical unless the measuring technique has been automated. In this chapter some of the more significant automatable metrics are described along with an automated software quality metric analysis tool.

Three classifications of automatable metrics to be examined are micro, or code metrics, macro, or structure metrics and hybrid metrics. The micro metrics are concerned with measuring features taken directly from source code, for example, length of a program and the number of decision constructs in program are considered micro metrics. Macro metrics, however, are concerned with measuring the complexity of the structure of a software system, for example, measuring the com-
plexity of the decision process that leads to the invocation of a module. Finally, hybrid metrics are those metrics that utilize a combination of code and structure metrics to produce complexity measures.

**Micro Metrics**

**Length**

The most familiar software measurement is lines of code, or length [CONS 86]. This may seem to be a simple metric that can be easily derived, yet there is no general agreement as to what constitutes a line of code. Conte, Dunsmore and Shen [CONS 86] propose the following definition:

*line of code* A line of code is any line of program text that is not a comment or blank line, regardless of the number of statements or fragments of statements on the line. This specifically includes all line containing program headers, declarations, and executable and non-executable statements

Most researchers agree that the line of code measure should not include comments or blank lines since their presence or absence does not affect the functionality of a program. Interpretation of the above definition for various source languages could include such counts as the number of semicolons, in Pascal or the number of carriage returns in 'C'.

**McCabe's Cyclomatic Complexity**

McCabe's Cyclomatic Complexity [MCCT 76] denoted $V(G)$, has its foundations in graph theory. This code metric measures the number of basic paths in a routine, and is derived from the representation of a procedure as a strongly connected graph. The nodes in the graph represent blocks
of code in the procedure where the processing is sequential and the arcs correspond to branches
taken. Each program graph must have a unique entry and exit point. In order to perform the
complexity analysis, a procedure's control graph must be strongly connected, a single arc from the
unique exit point is drawn back to the unique entry point to satisfy this criterion.

A result from graph theory states that in a strongly connected graph \( G \), the cyclomatic number,
\( V(G) \), is equal to the maximum number of linearly independent circuits, where
\[
V(G) = E - N + 2 \quad \text{and where}
\]
\[
E = \text{the number of edges in the graph}
\]
\[
N = \text{the number of nodes in the graph}
\]

In this way McCabe defines the cyclomatic complexity, \( V(G) \), of a procedure to be the cyclomatic
number of the procedure's strongly connected control graph.

The reasoning behind McCabe's definition is that the complexity of a procedure is going to be
proportional to the cyclomatic number or, alternatively, the number of linearly independent circuits
in the procedure's control graph.

The complexity of a program of \( p \) procedures would be the sum of the complexities of each of the
\( p \) procedures and is given by:

\[
V(G) = \sum_{i=1}^{p} V(G_i)
\]
\[
= \sum_{i=1}^{p} (e_i - n_i + 2)
\]
\[
= e - n + 2p
\]

where,
\[
G_i = \text{procedure } i's \text{ graph}
\]
\[
e_i = \text{the number of edges in procedure } i's \text{ graph}
\]
\[
n_i = \text{the number of nodes in procedure } i's \text{ graph}
\]
\[ e = \text{the total number of edges in all graphs} \]
\[ n = \text{the total number of nodes in all graphs} \]

For structured programs McCabe simplified the calculation of the cyclomatic complexity to a count of the number of simple predicates in a routine plus one utilizing results derived by Mills [MILH 72].

**Halstead's Software Science**

Halstead's code metrics [HALM 77] take the view that algorithms have physically measurable characteristics. The resulting theory, called Software Science, states that certain algorithmic properties may be derived from the following four counts:

\[ n_1 = \text{the number of unique operators appearing in a program} \]
\[ n_2 = \text{the number of unique operands appearing in a program} \]
\[ N_1 = \text{the total number of occurrences of all operators in a program} \]
\[ N_2 = \text{the total number of occurrences of all operands in a program} \]

Two definitions, derived from the above counts, are used in the calculation of the Software Science metrics. The sum of the counts \( n_1 \) and \( n_2 \), define the size of the vocabulary of a program and is denoted by \( n \). The length of a program, denoted \( N \), is similarly defined as the sum of \( N_1 \) and \( N_2 \).

In the following sections three Software Science metrics, their derivation, and intuitive meanings will be described.
**Program Volume**

An important algorithmic characteristic is size. The following formula estimates the size of an algorithm based on the size of the algorithm's vocabulary and length:

\[ V = N \times \log_2(n) \]

The derivation of this formula is subject to two interpretations. The first treats \( V \) as a measure of the number of bits required to store the algorithm since it takes a minimum \( \log_2(n) \) bits to represent each of the symbols in the vocabulary. The second interpretation treats \( V \) as the number of mental comparisons required to generate the algorithm. The second interpretation assumes that a programmer must make a binary search through the vocabulary each time an element in the algorithm is selected.

It is important to note that the program volume metric's value will vary in size, based on the expressive power of the algorithm's implementation language. Similarly, in any one language some algorithms are smaller in size than others. These features are required of the volume metric in order that such changes may be studied.

**Program Level**

The program level metric is defined as the ratio of the potential volume, \( V^* \), to the actual volume, \( V \), of the algorithm:

\[ L = \frac{V^*}{V} \]

where the potential volume is the most succinct form in which an algorithm could ever be expressed. Since the value of \( V^* \) cannot be established, it is necessary to derive an estimator in terms of operands and operators.
The least number of operators that could ever be employed is two, where the pair would be a function call and an assignment operator. However, there appears to be no limit to the number of operators that one might employ. From this we have the ratio:

\[ L \sim \frac{2}{n_1} \]

with respect to operators.

On the other hand, operands exhibit no unique minimum value, so they must be treated on an intuitive level. Whenever an operand is repeated, it is an indication that the algorithm's implementation is at a lower level. This effect may be demonstrated by the ratio:

\[ L \sim \frac{n_2}{N_2} \]

Combining these two ratios gives us the program level metric's estimator:

\[ \hat{L} = \frac{2}{n_1} \times \frac{n_2}{N_2} \]

A second interpretation of the program level measurement is the relative intellectual ease with which a programmer makes a single mental comparison.

**Programming Effort**

The programming effort metric can be thought of as a measure of the mental activity required to translate a collection of ideas regarding a problem solution into an actual implementation of the algorithm in some language known to the programmer. The formula for the effort metric is:

\[ E = V \times D \]
where $V$ is the program volume metric, and $D$ is the reciprocal of the program level metric $L$. $D$ represents the difficulty of making the mental comparisons required to implement the algorithm and is measured in units referred to as elementary mental discriminations (EMD). Replacing $D$ in the equation yields:

$$E = \frac{V}{L}$$

By substituting in $L$'s theoretical value we derive another equation from which significant conclusions can be cited:

$$E = \frac{V^2}{V^*}$$

This equation implies that the mental effort required to implement any algorithm varies by the square of its volume, not linearly, and therefore that proper modularization of algorithms can definitely reduce programming effort.

**Structure Metrics**

**McClure's Module Invocation Complexity**

McClure's structure metric [MCCC 78] examines two characteristics of a module in order to define a complexity. The first characteristic is a measure of the complexity of the circumstances under which the module was invoked and the second is a measure of the complexity of of a module invoking another module.

The complexity of invoking a module is dependent on two factors, and requires the definition of a module's invocation control variable set. The invocation control variable set for a module is the
set of variables whose values effect a particular invocation of a module. For example, suppose the following code is used to invoke module $B$:

```
while (var1 < var2) or (var3 = 0) do
    if (var4 = var5) then
        invoke
    end if;
end while;
```

The set $\{var1, var2, var3, var4, var5\}$, forms an invocation control variable set for module $B$. It is possible for a module to have more than invocation control variable set if it is invoked conditionally in more than one place. Given this definition, the complexity of the invocation of a module is a function of the number modules that invoke the module, and the average invocation control variable set complexity where the complexity of an invocation control variable set is given by:

$$b \times \sum_{i=1}^{e} C(V_i)$$

with,

- $b = 2$ if any $V_i$ is a control variable of a repetition structure
- $b = 1$ otherwise
- $C(V_i) = \text{Control Variable Complexity} \ [\text{MCCC 78}]
- e = \text{the number of variables in the invocation control variable set}$

The complexity of a module invoking another module is a function of the number of modules which it invokes and the average complexity of all invocation control variable sets used by the module in invoking its direct descendants.

Combining the above two characteristics gives the following formula for the complexity of a module $B$:

$$M(B) = [F_p \times X(p)] + [G_p \times Y(p)]$$

where,
Henry and Kafura's Information Flow Metric

Henry and Kafura [HENS 79], [HENS 81] have developed a structure metric which derives a procedure's complexity from the procedure's connections with its environment. These environment connections are taken from the flows of information in and out of the routine, termed fan-ins and fan-outs respectively. The formal definitions of fan-in and fan-out are as follows:

\[
\text{fan-in} = \text{the number of local flows into a procedure plus the number of global data structures from which a procedure retrieves information}
\]

\[
\text{fan-out} = \text{the number of local flows from a procedure plus the number of global data structures which the procedure updates.}
\]

The fan-ins and fan-outs for a routine are determined in a two step process. The first step involves the generation of a set of relations which represent the flow of information within a routine via input and output parameters, updates of global data structures, reads from global data structures and returns from function calls. From these relations a forest of trees is built which has as its roots global data structures. The leaves represent data structures and function returns whose information will ultimately end up in the global data structure at the root of their tree. The internal nodes represent interfaces through which the information at the leaves will travel on their way to the root.
Thus, each tree represents all possible paths of information flow into a particular global data structure.

The formula defining the complexity value of a procedure is given by:

$$C_p = (\text{fan-in} \times \text{fan-out})^2$$

where,

- **$C_p$** = the complexity of procedure $p$.
- **fan-in** = the number of fan-ins to procedure $p$.
- **fan-out** = the number of fan-outs from procedure $p$.

The term $(\text{fan-in} \times \text{fan-out})$ represents the total possible number of combinations of an input source and an output destination, and is raised to the power of 2 similarly with Brook's law of programmer interaction [BROF 75] and Belady's formula for system partitioning [BELL 76].

Two other related complexities are defined, a module complexity and a level complexity. The module complexity with respect to a global data structure is the sum of the procedure complexities of those procedures that retrieve information from or update information to the data structure. When viewing a system as a hierarchy of levels, the complexity of a level is defined to be the sum of the complexities of the modules which comprise that level.

**Hybrid Metrics**

**Woodfield's Syntactic Interconnection Model**

Woodfield's Syntactic Interconnection Model [WOOS 80] is a hybrid metric which attempts to measure programming effort in terms of time. The general equation of the model is given by:
\[ C_B = C_{iB} \times \frac{\text{fan_in}}{k} \times \sum_{k=2}^{\text{fan_in}} RC^{k-1} \]

where:

- \( C_B \) = the complexity of module B's code
- \( C_{iB} \) = the internal complexity of module B's code
- \( \text{fan_in} \) = the sum of the control and data connections for module B's code
- \( RC \) = a review constant

It is important to note that the internal complexity for a module may be any code metric, however, in Woodfield's model definition Halstead's Program Effort metric was used.

The model uses a review constant of \( \frac{2}{3} \), which is a number previously suggested by Halstead [HALM 77]. Woodfield completes his model by defining the \( \text{fan_in} \) of a module to be the combination of control and data connections for the module. A control connection exists for a module each time it is invoked, while two modules, \( A \) and \( B \) are data connected if there is some variable \( V \) such that the following two conditions are true:

1. the variable \( V \) is modified in \( B \) and referenced in \( A \)
2. there exists at least one data path set \( D(BA) \), between \( B \) and \( A \), such that the same variable \( V \) is not referenced in any \( d_i \) where \( d_i \) is a member of \( D(BA) \)

where a data path set, \( D(BA) \) is an ordered set of one or more modules \( \{d_1, d_2, d_3, ..., d_n\} \) such that one of the following conditions is true:

1. \( B \) calls \( D_1; D_1 \) calls \( D_2; ...; D_{n-1} \) calls \( D_n; D_n \) calls \( A \).
2. \( A \) calls \( D_1; D_1 \) calls \( D_2; ...; D_{n-1} \) calls \( D_n; D_n \) calls \( B \).
3. There exists some $D_i$ in $D(AB)$ such that $D_i$ calls both $D_{i-1}$ and $D_{i+1}$; $D_{i-1}$ calls $D_{i-2}$; $D_{i-2}$ calls $D_{i-3}$; ...; $D_i$ calls $D_1$; $D_1$ calls $B$; and also $D_{i+1}$ calls $D_{i+2}$; $D_{i+2}$ calls $D_{i+3}$; ...; $D_{n-1}$ calls $D_n$; $D_n$ calls $A$.

Henry and Kafura's Information Flow Metric

Henry and Kafura's Information Flow metric may also be applied as a hybrid metric, in fact, the metric has been tested in its hybrid form on the UNIX operating system [HENS 81], [KAFD 85]. The formula for the Information Flow metric in its hybrid form is as follows:

\[ C_p = C_{ip} \times (\text{fan-in} \times \text{fan-out})^2 \]

where,

\[ C_p \quad = \quad \text{the complexity of procedure } p. \]
\[ C_{ip} \quad = \quad \text{the internal complexity of procedure } p. \]
\[ \text{fan-in} \quad = \quad \text{the number of fan-ins to procedure } p. \]
\[ \text{fan-out} \quad = \quad \text{the number of fan-outs from procedure } p. \]

Note that $C_{ip}$ may be any micro metric's measure of procedure $p$'s complexity. In this study the Information Flow metric is combined with the length, effort and cyclomatic complexity measures.

The Software Quality Metric Analysis Tool

The software quality metric analysis tool, subsequently referred to as the analyzer, used in this study has been developed over the last three years, at Virginia Tech, under the direction of Dr. Sallie Henry and Dr. Dennis Kafura. The development of the analyzer has been an ambitious project and preliminary results of its use are encouraging.
Figure 1. Logical Structure of the Software Quality Metric Analyzer

Chapter 2. Overview of Metrics
The analyzer takes source code as input, and calculates the values of the metrics discussed earlier in this chapter. The first two stages process source code one procedure at a time, while the third stage requires the information files from the entire system. A translation stage, a relation processing stage and a metric generation stage comprise the transition from source code to metric values.

Figure 1 on page 21 shows the logical structure of the analyzer. The three stage approach to complexity analysis is motivated by the syntactic and semantic differences of analyzeable languages. Each source language to be analyzed must have its own code processor and translator, however, there is only one relation processor.

The translation stage of the analyzer is the only language dependent stage involved in the metric analysis. This stage simultaneously performs two functions. The first function involves the calculation of micro metric values for each procedure. The micro metric values are output to a file that serves as input to the metric generation stage. The second function of the translation stage translates the source code to an intermediate language, the relation language [HENS 88]. The relation language code preserves control and information flow while hiding proprietary information. The translation stage of the analyzer has been implemented for the Pascal, ‘C’, FORTRAN, and THLL programming languages.

The relation processing stage of the analyzer takes the relation language code, produced in the translation stage, and outputs information flow relations [KAFD 82]. The information flow relations serve as input to the metric generation stage.

The metric generation stage, or “back end”, of the analyzer has as input the two files, micro metric file from stage one and the relations from stage two, and provides, via a menu driven interface, the means to run, examine and output each of the previously mentioned micro, structure and hybrid metrics. Module and level definition, analysis and output facilities are also provided.
Conclusion

The software quality measurement and analysis sector of the software engineering community has made great strides in the analysis of real time software systems. Studies have shown that many of the metrics developed do in fact identify stress points and areas with high error counts in existing systems. Language independence and the ability to identify different types of complexities in software have also been demonstrated. However, until recently, few attempts have been made to unite the processes of design and analysis. This unification is necessary to provide software engineers the ability to create reliable software systems. This study is one of two attempts to provide this unification. The other study focuses on use of a textual design language [SELC 87].
Chapter 3. Graphical Language Translation

Introduction

This Chapter describes the translation of the graphical language to its analyzeable form. Translation of GPL is a twofold process. First the source code is analyzed to generate code metrics used by stage three of the analyzer. The second process is the generation of relation language code while preserving the control and information flow of the corresponding source code. A detailed description of the graphical language, the relation language and the actual translation process is presented.

GPL

Introduction

The Dialogue Management System is a software system development environment being developed at Virginia Tech. Its underlying methodology is called SUPERvisory Methodology and Notation,
or SUPERMAN [HARI 85]. One of SUPERMAN's primary targets in software design is the separation of dialogue, communication between a user and the system, and computational design. This separation of system design is motivated by the impression that the best dialogue designers are not necessarily programmers and vice versa. The Dialogue Management System provides a graphical programming language, GPL, with which each type of designer may specify his design. GPL has a set of symbols specifically used for dialogue design and a set of symbols used for computational design with some symbols appearing in both dialogue and computational designs. These "linking" symbols tie the two parts of a system's design together. In this study, the computational development environment and the symbols in GPL used to create the computational portion of a system's design are of interest.

The basic building block for a GPL computational design is a Supervisory Cell which contains a supervisor and a Supervised Flow Diagram, or SFD. The SFD shows the flow of control and information within the cell. Intuitively, a supervisory cell represents the definition of a single subroutine in a system. Figure 2 on page 26 presents the symbols in GPL used for computational design and Figure 3 on page 27 presents a simple example of a supervisory cell. A nontrivial sample design appears in Appendix A with the corresponding source code located in Appendix C. The following sections discuss the syntax and semantics of each symbol and the information associated with each supervisor.

**The Computational Design Symbols in a SFD**

**Control Flow Arcs**

Control flow arcs show the flow of control throughout an SFD. These arcs can connect any two symbols of GPL together with the exception of databoxes, defined below. The arc labeled $x = 1$ in Figure 3 on page 27 is a control flow arc. Control flow arcs may or may not have a conditional associated with them. If there is only one control flow arc leaving a symbol there is no conditional
Figure 2. Computational Design Symbols in GPL
Figure 3. A GPL Supervisory Cell
on the arc, however, if there is more than one arc leaving a symbol there must be a conditional associated with each arc that leaves the symbol. A conditional associated with an arc is a valid boolean expression.

**Data Flow Arcs**

Data flow arcs are used to bind databoxes, defined below, to functions, also defined below. There can only be one data arc connecting a subroutine and a databox, and there is never a condition associated with a data arc. The dashed arcs leading into and out of the box labeled *factorial* in Figure 3 on page 27 are data flow arcs.

**Start**

There is exactly one start symbol per SFD. The start symbol marks the beginning of the execution of an SFD. It has no arcs coming into it, yet, it may have any number of arcs leaving. The circle in Figure 3 on page 27 is a start symbol.

**Return**

There is at least one return symbol per SFD. Returns have no arcs out of them, but they may have any number of arcs entering them. The return symbol represents the termination of execution of an SFD. Returns have no parameters and therefore are not used to return variable values. The conclusion is that there are no functions that return values in GPL. The two triangles in Figure 3 on page 27 are return symbols.
**Decisions**

A decision symbol may have any number of arcs entering it and any number of arcs leaving it. Its semantics resemble those of the Pascal "case" and 'C' "switch" statements. Each arc that leaves a decision must have a boolean expression associated with it. There are a minimum of two arcs leaving a decision symbol. The diamond in Figure 3 on page 27 is a decision symbol.

**Databoxes**

GPL databoxes are used to specify the actual input and output parameters to a subroutine call. They are sometimes called binding boxes since their content consists of the actual parameters and the names of their respective formal parameters. Databoxes have either a data flow arc leading into the box, i.e. an output parameter, or out of the box to identify an input parameter. The two rectangles labeled Dbox in Figure 3 on page 27 are databoxes.

**Inner Code Block (ICB)**

An ICB is a symbol that contains the actual code of a system. The code is syntactically and semantically correct high level language code. In theory, all of a program's code could be in an ICB, however, this use of an ICB is not intended. An ICB in a completely refined design contains only assignment statements. Any number of arcs may enter and leave an ICB. The symbol labeled \( x = x - 1 \); in Figure 3 on page 27 is an ICB.
Functions

The function symbol represents a call to a subroutine that contains no dialogue. A GPL function is unlike a Pascal function since it does not return a value. Each function symbol contains a name used to identify the corresponding supervisor for that function’s definition. Functions may have any number of arcs leading into and out of them. Any time a function has more that one arc leaving it, each of the arcs must contain a conditional indicating the conditions necessary to follow that arc. If the function has input and output parameters in its definition, then there must be input and output databoxes attached, via data flow arcs. If the function does not have both input and output parameters, it is only necessary to have the appropriate databox (or none). Function definitions are not nested in GPL, therefore, references to the same function name in different SFDs refer to the same function definition. The box labeled factorial in the SFD in Figure 3 on page 27 is a GPL function.

Dialogue

Dialogue symbols represent input and output operations and may have any number of arcs leading to them and leaving from them. In the Dialogue Management System, this is where the dialogue designer, or author, takes over the design process. Computational designers either get information from a dialogue function, input, or give information to a dialogue function, output and are not concerned with how the information is manipulated. In the development of an SFD, a computational designer does not expand or further develop dialogue functions. Dialogue symbols, like functions, may have databoxes attached to them, via data flow arcs. There are no dialogue symbols in Figure 3 on page 27.
DC-Functions

DC-Functions, or Dialogue-Computation Functions, represent subroutines that contain both dialogue and computational operations. Aside from containing calls to dialogue functions, DC-Functions have the same syntax, semantics and requirements as functions. There are no DC-Functions in Figure 3 on page 27.

The Supervisor

There is only one supervisor per SFD, and it appears at the top of the diagram. Associated with the supervisor is a list of input parameters, a list of output parameters, a list of local variables, a name, and an SFD. When defining a supervisor's parameters and local variables, each <ID> given has a named type associated with it, however, as far as GPL is concerned there are no meaningful types or ways to define them. Therefore the types specified, are meant to be meaningful only to the designer and programmer. The box at the top of Figure 3 on page 27 labeled factorial is a supervisor.

Observations

GPL supports many desirable concepts of software engineering. First, there is no means of defining global variables. To some this may appear as a disadvantage, however, eliminating the ability to define a global variable is an excellent means to control its use. Secondly, and more importantly, by limiting the size of the work area, the definition of shorter more modular routines becomes natural.
GPL has some limitations that are particularly annoying. First is the inability to define system constants, needed for readability purposes and second, the inability to define libraries of routines for the purpose of reusability.

The Relation Language

Introduction

The relation language [HENS 88] was developed to address one of the major problems facing software engineering researchers, acquiring "real world" data to perform validation experiments. One good source of data, software organizations, is unavailable due to the proprietary nature of the products. Software organizations do not want their algorithms or the error history of their products released into public domain. With this in mind, the relation language was designed to serve as an intermediate language that can protect the software organizations' right to privacy while providing sufficient information for software engineers to test their measurements. In this discussion a brief description of the relation language constructs, presented in Figure 4 on page 33, is given.

Relation Language Constructs

Variables

A relation language program allows for the declaration of three types of variables: local, struct and const. The variable type one chooses is dependent upon the usage of the variable in the original source code. Distinctions are made between data objects as being local variables, complex structures and constants. Variables defined as type local are considered local to the routine in which they are declared. Determination of local variables is not always a simple process due to the presence
Declaration statements

LOCAL - local variable declaration
STRUCT - non-local variable declaration
CONST - defined constant
EXTERNAL - external procedure declaration
PROCEDURE - procedure declaration
FUNCTION - function declaration
INTRINSIC - built-in function

Executable statements

COND - all conditionals
1.00 - all constants
:= - assignment
; - statement separation
BEGIN END - grouping statement
& - conditional variable separator

Figure 4. Constructs in the Relation Language

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of complicated high level language constructs like Pascal’s “with” statement and FORTRAN’s “common” block. Variables defined as type struct, are treated as global variables, they may be defined anywhere in a program, but, they are accessed globally. Variables defined to be type const represent declared constants.

**Statements**

The four types of statements that can be identified in a relation program are: assignments, conditions, procedure calls and returns. Each of these statement types is discussed individually.

**Assignments**

Assignment statements are similar to those in any high level language, with one exception, any arithmetic operators appearing in the original source code are replaced by “&”s. It is not necessary to know the identity of the original operator in order to perform structure metric analysis, so the substitution disguises the content of the original source.

**Conditions**

As with arithmetic operators, it is unnecessary to know the type of conditional represented in order to derive the flow of control that is present. One only needs to know that the condition existed, and the variables that are needed to evaluate the decision. Looping constructs are simply replaced by a condition statement and corresponding block of statements that the loop encompasses. Decision statements similar to Pascal’s “case” and “if ... then (else)” are replaced by a condition statement, *cond*, that contains the original decision construct’s boolean expression variables. A corresponding block of statements associated with the conditional includes those blocks of state-
ments from the original source code that are executed as a result of the conditional’s value. This means that the statements from each of the specific choices in a Pascal case statement would be grouped together to form a single block of statements to be associated with a single condition statement.

Procedure Calls

Procedure calls are identical to those in other high level block structured languages like Pascal and ‘C’.

Returns

The return statement in a relation language program is similar to one in the ‘C’ programming language and is used to represent the return value of a function.

Procedure Declarations

Procedures in a relation program must be declared prior to their use. Three methods of procedure declarations are available. The first method is to give the procedure heading, including a procedure identifier and a list of formal parameter names, followed by the relation language statements that are included in the procedure. This is the most common method of procedure declaration and is used to define procedures local to the current module. Declaring a procedure as external is the second method of procedure declaration. This method serves a dual purpose that allows relations to be defined over many separate modules and provides for the translation of subroutines that call each other. The final method provides for the declaration of intrinsic functions. The relation lan-
language has no intrinsic functions and therefore requires all intrinsic functions called in the original source code to be defined in the corresponding relation program.

**Observations**

It is apparent that a relation program bears little resemblance to the source program from which is derived and that the relation language provides all of the necessary constructs to represent the code from a myriad of source languages. In this study the relation language is used to represent GPL source code in order to perform structure metric analysis. The translation from GPL to the Relation language is presented next.

**The Translation From GPL to The Relation Language**

**Introduction**

The Dialogue Management System provides a graphical editor for the creation and modification of system designs and the GPL relation language translator uses the same database as the editor for retrieval of SFD information. Much of the translation from GPL to relation language is straightforward and involves simple database information retrieval. The description of the translation is presented from the point of view of the target statements that need to be generated to correctly represent the flows of information and control for a single subroutine definition and declaration in the relation language. Since there are no global variables or constants in GPL, it is sufficient to discuss the translation of a single subroutine. The translation of the design, found in Appendix A, is located in Appendix B and the algorithm for translation follows:
Routine Translate/GPL Design;
    for here each SFD;
    {
        generate procedure header;
        generate local variable declarations;
        Translate_SFD;
    }
end;

Procedure Header Generation

Generation of the procedure header involves little processing other than information retrieval. The
procedure name is retrieved from a database relation in addition to a list of the input and output
parameters for the procedure. GPL parameters may be identified as input parameters, output pa-
rameters or as both input and output parameters. Since the relation language does not distinguish
between input and output parameters, it is necessary to perform an intersection on the lists of input
and output parameters and generate the resulting set of parameters for the procedure header.

Local Variable Declarations Generation

Generating local variable declarations involves the retrieval of the list of variables for the procedure
and the generation of a declaration for each one.

Relation Language Code Generation for SFD Members

The term "member" refers to each symbol in a SFD. Many of the member types in a SFD require
no code to be generated in the relation language. These member types include: start, return,
databox, decision, data arc and control arc. Elimination of these member types leaves only those
member types for which there is a corresponding statement type in the relation language. The algorithm for translation of a SFD follows:

Routine Translate_SFD;
for each function, DC-function, dialogue function and ICB;
{
    generate_conditional;
generate_code;
}
end;

One might believe that the decision member type ought not appear on this list due to the existence of the condition statement in the relation language, however, the decision symbol and the condition statement have different semantics. A decision symbol dictates the flow of control within an SFD, where a condition statement dictates the flow of information within a procedure. The condition statement contains the list of those variables whose values determine whether or not a certain statement gets executed. The statements that are effected by the values of "condition" variables are easily found during visual examination of a SFD. Program constructs like loops and "if ... then (... else)"s are quickly recognized. Control flow, however, is difficult to discern given the limited information available in the database, including which member each arc starts at, goes to and whether or not the arc has a conditional on it. Therefore, a backwards approach is taken to determine the flows of information. For each of the member types, function, DC-function, dialogue function and ICB, a single conditional is generated that contains each of the conditionals from any of the paths that might have been traversed to reach the current member. This generated conditional is formed by following all of the paths that end at the current member backwards to the start symbol. Each time an arc containing a conditional is traversed a decision node has been found and it must be determined whether or not its conditionals must be included in the generated conditional. All paths out of the decision node are followed until a return symbol or the original node is reached. The method for generating a conditional in algorithmic form is:
Routine generate_conditional;
    if ( not at the start symbol)
        {
            if ( current node is a decision node)
                {
                    if ( conditionals_belong )
                        add conditionals;
                    }
            follow all input arcs backwards;
            generate_conditional;
            end;
    end;

If all of the paths out of the decision node lead to the original node, the conditionals are not included since the node will be executed regardless of the values of the condition variables, however, if any of the paths lead to a return symbol, the conditionals are included in the generated conditional. An algorithm for tracing conditionals is:

Routine conditionals_belong;
    for each outgoing arc;
        {
            follow paths forward;
            if (any path reaches a return symbol)
                include conditionals;
            else (path reaches node for which a conditional is being generated)
                do not include conditionals;
        }
    end;

Since there is only one start symbol per SFD and all paths eventually terminate at a return symbol, this algorithm is guaranteed to terminate. No check to see if a variable is already a part of the generated conditional is made because redundancy of flows of information is removed by the metric generation stage of the analyzer. The algorithm for code generation for DC-functions, functions, dialogue functions and ICBs follows:

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Routine generate_code;
    if ( member is a DC-function or function)
        generate procedure call;
    if ( member is a dialogue function)
        generate appropriate updates to INPUT and OUTPUT structs;
    if ( member is an ICB)
        call target language translator;
end;

Functions and DC-Functions

For the member types function and DC-function a condition statement and a procedure call are generated. The condition statement is generated as above, and the procedure call is generated by matching up the actual parameters with the corresponding formal parameters.

Dialogue Functions

For dialogue members it is necessary to declare two global structures INPUT and OUTPUT since, any input or output operation is actually an update to or an access to a global structure, standard input or standard output. For input dialogue operations an assignment statement of the following form is generated:

\[ \text{<variable>} = \text{INPUT} \]

For output dialogue operations an assignment of the following form is generated:

\[ \text{OUTPUT} = \text{<variable>} \]
Inner Code Blocks

For ICBs a conditional statement is generated, and a call is made to the translator for the target high-level language to output the proper relation language code for the code in the ICB. This call is possible since the contents of an ICB are syntactically and semantically correct code.

The Generation of Micro Metric Values

Micro metric value calculations are performed concurrently with the translation of GPL to relation language and are discussed in the following sections.

Length

Length appears to be something difficult to measure in a graphical language and perhaps it is a meaningless measure, however, if one views the length of a design as a predictor of lines of code in the resulting system, a measure is feasible. Length of a GPL design is given by:

\[ \text{length} = \#\text{members} + \text{length of ICB code} + \#\text{decisions} \]

The formula is derived from intuition. Each member of an SFD is likely to produce a line of code, regardless of the member type, so initially length is set to this value. Then, each time an ICB is encountered, the ICB length, returned by the target language's translator, is accumulated. Finally, the number of decisions is added to account for an additional label that is likely to be present in the resulting source code.
Figure 5. Multiple Exit Point Handling for Cyclomatic Complexity Calculation
McCabe's Cyclomatic Complexity

The cyclomatic complexity, \( V(G) \), is perhaps the easiest micro metric value to calculate. Recall, from chapter two, that graph theory states that a graph’s cyclomatic number is given by:

\[
V(G) = E - N + 2
\]

where,

- \( V(G) \): the cyclomatic number of a graph
- \( E \): the number of edges in a graph
- \( N \): the number of nodes or members in a graph

The value of \( V(G) \) in GPL is initialized to the number of arcs minus the number of members. This alone, however, is not sufficient since GPL allows for any number of returns in a SFD. Cyclomatic complexity requires that the graph have unique entry and exit points. To account for this, each time a return symbol is encountered during translation, the cyclomatic number is increased by one, then instead of adding two at the end we only add one, to take out a single node for the unique exit point. Figure 5 on page 42 displays two SFDs, that are semantically equivalent, and their corresponding Cyclomatic Complexities, calculated without taking the multiple exit points into consideration. The complexities are different, even though the graphs are semantically the same.

Halstead's Software Science

Perhaps the most difficult micro metrics to calculate, due to the ambiguity in determining what is an operand and what is an operator, are Halstead’s Software Science metrics. This study defines the required counts, unique and total operands and unique and total operators, on a graphical language. The counts of operands are straightforward and include anything that appears as text in a SFD: the supervisor name, parameter and variable names, variables that appear in conditionals,
variables from the databoxes and the names of called subroutines. The counts of operands are also modified by the high level language translator used to translate the code in the ICB's. The counts of operators in GPL are less intuitive than that of operands, however, bearing in mind Halstead's intuitive definition of the $N$ value, the vocabulary of a routine, the counts become more obvious. The counts of operators in ICBs, performed by the high level language translator, are accumulated with those returned by the conditional parser, with identification of operators being performed as in conventional, textual languages. The number of members in a SFD and the number of control and data flow arcs in a SFD are also accumulated. Intuitively, the counts of members and arcs as operators is necessary since the members and arcs and their semantics are part of a designer's working vocabulary.

**Conclusion**

The methods presented do not represent the first attempt at translation and micro metric calculation, they are the result of many hours of thought and experimentation. A great deal of time was spent in attempting to make the translator behave logically in recognizing the familiar programming constructs in a SFD. The resulting solution is motivated by the recognition that GPL is not a block structured language and that it is very difficult to impose such a structure with the available information. Chapter four presents the results of metric analysis after applying the above transformation to GPL designs.
Chapter 4. Complexity Measurement

Introduction

In this chapter, the results of analyzing GPL design complexities are given. Complexity measures of GPL designs are presented along with equations, for each of the metrics, that allow the complexity of code corresponding to a GPL design to be predicted. An examination of GPL as a design tool is also briefly reported. A parallel measurement and prediction analysis of ADLIF, a general purpose PDL used in this study, is given as well.

The Experiment

The data in this study was collected from an assignment, given in a graduate level operating systems course consisting of twenty-two graduate students. Students simulated the management of consumeable and reusable operating system resources to detect and prevent deadlock, respectively. The banker's algorithm is used for deadlock prevention and knot detection algorithms are used for deadlock detection. In this study, one half of the class designed the program using GPL and the
other half used a general purpose textual design language, ADLIF, which is the subject of another complexity analysis study [SELC 87]. ADLIF is an attempt to structure pseudocode, i.e. a PDL. A copy of the assignment can be found in Appendix D. The assignment required the students to submit an initial design, one week prior to the assignment due date, a revised design, on the due date, and the Pascal source code and simulation results. Pascal was required to eliminate any differences resulting from using different programming languages. The revised designs were included as a part of the assignment for two reasons. First, to enable the evaluation of the two design tools in terms of the amount of change required to achieve a working system and second, to allow for the iterative refinement of the initial designs. Only the eighteen correct projects were used with nine of the projects coming from each group.

Data Preparation

In order to perform statistical the correlations of initial design to revised design and revised design to source, and to perform the regression analysis, it is necessary to have the same number of data observations, procedures, in the data being compared. It is possible and in fact likely that a design will not have the same number of routines as the source code. Often the source code will use many routines to perform the function of a single routine specified in the design. Another cause of extraneous routines in the source code may be the inability to refine a particular type of function in the design language like dialogue functions in GPL. Similarly, a routine may appear in a design, but, its function is combined into another routine in the resulting source code. It is necessary to incorporate the complexity measures of all of the routines in the source code into the data to be analyzed. When a routine exists in the source and does not have a corresponding routine in the design one accumulates the complexities of the more refined routines with the complexity of their parents. This is a valid operation since the design required the function to be performed and therefore its complexity is present in the design. The case where a routine is present in the design but not in the source code identifies a design that is not properly refined. One problem arises as a
result of the accumulation process. The complexity of the main program in the source code becomes unrealistic since many routines are accumulated into it. This occurs when programmers do not nest procedure declarations and as a result the only place for a routine’s complexity to be accumulated is in the main program. Beyond programming style, it is possible that the language being used, for example GPL and 'C', may not allow procedure nesting and again the routine’s complexity must be accumulated in the main program. As a result of language limitations and the programming style, the main program’s complexity no longer reflects the actual complexity of the code. In this study the main programs were removed from the data prior to performing the statistical analysis. Three hundred and twenty-three procedures from eighteen projects were used in this analysis.

Data Presentation Information

Table 1 on page 48 contains the abbreviations that are used in the tables displayed throughout this study. An abbreviation for each of the nine metrics calculated is given.

Comparison of Initial and Revised Designs

Comparing the initial and revised designs provides a measure of the change required inorder to achieve a working system. This measure is meaningful only if there is a good correlation between revised design and source code [VINJ 87]. In this study there is a good correlation between revised design and source code, and that correlation is in the next section. Table 2 on page 49 displays the correlations of initial to revised designs for both the GPL and ADLIF groups. The correlations between the micro metrics in GPL designs are higher than those in ADLIF designs, however, the converse holds true for the structure and hybrid metrics. Neither of these results is significant due to the high degree of correlation found in all cases. One concludes that the design languages are
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**GPL Design Correlations with no Outliers**

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equally effective at helping the designer to create a good design, where a good design is one that accurately reflects the structure of the corresponding working source code. Looking at Table 6 on page 60, which gives the mean complexities of GPL and ADLIF designs, it is interesting to note that the complexity of GPL designs actually went down, for the structure and hybrid metrics, from the initial to the revised designs. Further investigation revealed that two procedure's complexities are responsible for the difference, removal of these routines produced complexities that are closer together. The two outlying procedures were found to be routines that had been reorganized and actually performed different functions in the revised design while keeping the same name as in the initial design. The revised mean complexities are found in Table 6 on page 60 and the revised correlations are in Table 2 on page 49.

Regression Analysis of GPL and ADLIF

Explanation

Regression analysis involves the comparison of sets of data between which there is some assumed inherent relationship. In simple linear regression one is concerned with a single independent and a single dependent variable and an attempt to derive a linear prediction, or regression, equation [WALR 78]. In this study, a simple linear regression is performed, with the complexity of design as the independent variable and complexity of the source as the dependent variable, in an attempt to derive equations which would allow a designer to estimate the complexity of the system being developed prior to its implementation. Regression analysis is performed for each of the calculated metrics.
Prior to the performance of the regression analysis on the GPL revised designs and GPL designed source code, a correlation between the two sets of values was performed to see if there was any relationship between the two. Table 3 on page 53 gives the results of the correlation. The high correlations indicate that a relationship between the data sets may exists, so the regression analysis is performed. Table 4 on page 54 contains the equations that result from the regression analysis of the GPL revised designs and the GPL designed source code. The column labeled \( \text{Coef} \) gives the value of the \( y \)-axis intercept and the slope of the regression line for the corresponding metric. The column labeled \( \text{Std Err} \) gives the standard error found in the calculation of the coefficient and the column labeled \( \text{t-Value} \) gives the value from the Student T distribution and is used for significance and confidence testing. The coefficient will fall within the range of plus or minus two times the standard error. A \( \text{t-Value} \) of greater than two generally represents ninety-five percent confidence that the corresponding coefficient is correct. The \( \text{t-Values} \) for each of the metric’s slope are well above two and ninety-nine percent confidence in their values can easily be assumed. Ninety-nine percent confidence in all of the \( y \)-axis intercepts, except Cyclomatic and Information Flow with Cyclomatic, can also be assumed. The intercepts for the Cyclomatic complexity and the Information Flow Complexity combined with the Cyclomatic complexity can be assumed to be zero because of the low \( \text{t-value} \) [VINJ 87]. Figure 6 on page 55 gives a plot of the actual data observations, the regression line and the ninety-five percent confidence lines for the GPL information flow measure. The information flow metric was selected for this example and similar plots for each of the GPL measures are found in Appendix E. The prediction equation for a procedure’s information flow complexity is as follows:

\[
y = 1.103x + 205.167
\]

where,

\[y = \text{the predicted source code information flow complexity of the procedure}\]

\[x = \text{the calculated design information flow complexity of the procedure}\]
With ninety-five percent confidence the predicted $y$ value will fall within the confidence interval. Similar equations for each of the other metrics may be obtained by reading the coefficient values in Table 4 on page 54.

**ADLIF**

A correlation analysis between the ADLIF revised designs and the ADLIF designed source code was performed prior to doing the regression analysis to determine if there was any relationship between the two sets of data. Table 3 on page 53 contains the results of the correlation. The high correlations indicate that a relationship between the data sets may exist, so the regression analysis is performed. Table 5 on page 56 displays the equations that result from the regression analysis of the ADLIF revised designs and the ADLIF designed source code. The table is shown in the same format as for the GPL regression analysis and the values given represent the same items. The $t$-Values for each of the metric's slope are, once again, well above two and ninety-nine percent confidence in their values can is assumed. Ninety-five percent confidence in all of the $y$-axis intercepts is assumed and in many cases ninety-nine percent confidence can be assumed. Figure 7 on page 57 gives a plot of the actual data observations, the regression line and the ninety-five percent confidence lines for the ADLIF information flow complexity measure. Similar plots for each of the ADLIF measures are found in Appendix F. Note, when comparing the GPL and ADLIF plots that the scales may vary.

**Conclusion**

The results presented in this chapter indicate that it is possible, given the complexity of a GPL or ADLIF design, to predict the complexity of the corresponding source code. However, it is important to note that designs with different levels of refinement may produce different results. The
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Figure 6. Regression Line and 95% Confidence lines for Information Flow Complexity in GPL

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Table 5. Regression Line Equations and Statistics for ADLIF Designs

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Figure 7. Regression Line and 95% Confidence lines for Information Flow Complexity in ADLIF

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designs used in this study are at a very detailed level of refinement and the accuracy of the equations reflects the detail.
Chapter 5. Comparison of Design Tools

Introduction

In this chapter a comparison of GPL and ADLIF is presented. Specifically, the complexities of the designs and the complexities of the corresponding source code are compared. Both the initial and revised design complexities are given.

Comparison of GPL and ADLIF Design Complexities

Table 6 on page 60 presents the mean complexities of both the revised and initial designs for all of the GPL and ADLIF data. The complexities of the GPL designs are significantly lower than the ADLIF designs. The difference in complexities, however, is misleading due to the extreme difference in the nature of the languages. The semantics that can be expressed in a single symbol in GPL may take several keywords and symbols in ADLIF. Therefore, lower complexities of GPL designs are not necessarily an indication of less complex systems. Given a GPL and an ADLIF design for the same system, the GPL design should be measurably lower in complexity.
Table 6. Mean Complexities of Initial and Revised Designs

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Comparison of GPL and ADLIF Designed Source Code

In comparing the GPL and ADLIF designed source code, the procedures were divided into five functional units, or modules, including: tape request processing, tape release processing, message sending processing, message receiving processing and deadlock detection. A sixth unit was defined as the complexity of the entire system. Table 7 on page 62 presents the average module complexities for both the GPL and ADLIF designed source code. The complexities of the GPL designed source code are considerably lower than those of the ADLIF designed source code. Table 8 on page 63 presents the average ratio of complexity of the GPL designed source to the complexity of ADLIF designed source. The ratios of the micro metrics are higher than those of the structure and hybrid metrics with an average ratio of 71.7%. The average ratio of the structure and hybrid metrics is 17.4%. These ratios and complexities indicate that GPL is the better tool for designing program structure. The structure and hybrid metric ratios in Table 8 on page 63 show that the structure of the GPL designed source code is nearly six times less complex than the ADLIF designed source code. Due to the small sample size it is necessary to perform a statistical significance test on the module complexities. Table 9 on page 64 gives the calculated t-values from the Student T distribution for each of the metrics in each module. In order to be eighty percent confident that the results are statistically significant the t-value must be greater than 1.337, for ninety percent confidence, 1.746 and for ninety-five percent confidence 2.12. In most of the cases the t-values ensure more than eighty percent confidence that the results are statistically significant. The send and deadlock module's t-values are lower than the eighty percent confidence level in many cases and therefore those results are not considered significant. Concentrating only on the entire system's confidence measures, the all module, there is better than ninety percent confidence, except for the effort and cyclomatic complexities, that the results are statistically significant.
Table 7. Mean Module Complexities for GPL and Adlif Designed Pascal Source Code

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Chapter 5. Comparison of Design Tools
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Conclusion

In this chapter results have been presented that indicate that systems designed in GPL are significantly less complex than systems designed in ADLIF thereby adding quantitative support to the work done by cognitive science researchers which finds that the human brain thinks and works more effectively in images. The inability to compare GPL and ADLIF designs directly is also shown.
Chapter 6. Additional Measurements

Introduction

In this chapter the intermetric correlations for the GPL and ADLIF revised designs and the GPL and ADLIF designed source code are displayed to replicate the results of two earlier studies [HENS 81] [KAFD 84]. Also presented is a preliminary data set that was collected and found to be inadequate for analysis. An explanation of why the data was inadequate and how the inadequacies came about is given. Also shown is a comparison of the source code written for the first data set.

Intermetric Correlations

Table 10 on page 68, Table 11 on page 69, Table 12 on page 70 and Table 13 on page 71, present the intermetric correlations for GPL and ADLIF revised designs and GPL and ADLIF designed source code. Both sets of GPL correlations and the ADLIF revised design correlations reflect the results of another study with the micro metrics having high correlations to the other micro metrics and low correlations with the structure and hybrid metrics and the structure and hybrid metrics.
having high correlations with the other structure and hybrid metrics and low correlations with the micro metrics [HENS 81]. These correlations indicate that the structure and hybrid metrics measure different properties of software than the micro metrics. The fourth set of correlations, ADLIF designed source code, demonstrates the same relationship between micro metrics and other micro metrics and structure and hybrid metrics with other structure and hybrid metrics, however, the correlations between the micro metrics and the structure and hybrid metrics are not as low as in previous studies. It is unclear why the correlations are this way.
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Chapter 6. Additional Measurements
Preliminary Data Set

Introduction

A preliminary data set was collected prior to the collection of the data set used in this study. The set of data came from a senior level software engineering class whose curriculum consisted of design methodologies and software development and analysis. The class was divided into two sections, as in the data set analyzed above, and designed their assignments using the two design languages. The GPL group used a partially completed automated version of GPL for a design tool. Several key parts of the automated version of GPL were not working, including SFDs, dialogue functions and computational functions. As a result no low level design could be performed and the resulting design data had no relation to the corresponding source code. In the next few sections an analysis of the available information is given.

The Experiment

The class of fourteen seniors was asked to implement the "robots" game that is available on some UNIX systems. They were required to submit a design of their system one week prior to the due date of the entire system. A copy of the assignment is located in Appendix G.

Data Analysis

Table 14 on page 74 shows the correlations of design to source code for GPL and ADLIF. While the correlations for the ADLIF group are similar to those in the previous data set, indicating a strong relationship between design and source, the GPL correlations, by virtue of their low values, indicate no relationship and therefore, no regression analysis was performed[VINJ 87]. However,
a comparison of the GPL and ADLIF designed source code is presented. As in the previous data set, the source code was partitioned into functional units, or modules. The complexities of the modules were averaged and the results are given in Table 15 on page 75. As in the previous data set, the complexities of the GPL designed source code are significantly lower than the complexities of the ADLIF designed source code. Table 16 on page 76 shows the ratio of the average complexity of the GPL designed source code modules to the average complexity of the ADLIF designed source code modules and as before there is a measurable difference between the ratios of the micro metric complexities and the structure and hybrid metric complexities. The mean ratio for the micro metric complexities is 76.5%, which is within 5% of the ratios found in the previous data set, and the ratio for the structure and hybrid metrics is 4.4%, which is much less than that of the previous data set but none the less repeats the trend for measurably lower structure and hybrid metric complexities in GPL designed source code. Table 17 on page 77 presents the calculated t-values for the modules and the results are very close to those from the previous data set. However, one must down-play the significance of these results since there was such a low correlation between GPL design and GPL designed source code and as a result of the low correlation it is difficult to say how much of the difference is due to the language used for design as opposed to programmer ability.

Conclusion

This chapter shows that the complexity measures of GPL designs replicate the results of another study with the micro metrics correlating well with the other micro metrics and not the structure and hybrid metrics. The additional data set demonstrates that some minimum level of refinement of design is necessary in order to perform complexity analysis.
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Chapter 7. Conclusions

Conclusions

This study was begun with a twofold purpose. First, to determine whether the complexity of a graphical language could be measured, using established software quality metrics and second, to explore the hypothesis that systems designed using a graphical language are less complex than systems designed using a textual design language.

In Chapter three a technique for measuring GPL design complexities was presented. The technique involves the translation of a GPL design into an intermediate language, the relation language, from which an existing analyzer draws the needed information to produce the measures. Then in chapter four the results of measuring GPL designs are given. Chapter four also gave a set of equations to predict, with more than 95% confidence, the complexity of source code. Plots of the equations and the confidence intervals are contained in the appendix. These equations will allow the selection of the single least complex design, from a group of designs, that perform the same task and it will serve to shorten the design-code-measure-redesign cycle to a design-measure-redesign cycle.
Chapter five compared GPL designed source code with ADLIF designed source code. The mean complexities of GPL designed source code were significantly lower than the mean complexities of ADLIF designed source code and a statistical significance test revealed more than ninety percent confidence in the results for most metrics. Taking a closer look showed that the GPL designed source code has far less complex structure, indicating its superiority over ADLIF for designing system structure. These results support the hypotheses of cognitive science researchers who state that humans think in images and that the human brain works more effectively in images.

In summary, with a very limited dataset, we can:

- Measure GPL Design Complexities
- Predict the complexity of GPL designed source code with 95% confidence
- Show less complex source code
  - micro metrics are 71.7% as complex in GPL designed source
  - structure and hybrid metrics are 17.4% as complex in GPL designed source
  - 95% confidence that the results are statistically significant

These results indicate that GPL is a much better tool than ADLIF for designing system structure.

The design languages were presented to the students in the form of written documents. Soon after the documents were handed out a help session was held to answer any questions concerning their use. Many questions were asked in regards to ADLIF and very few were asked in regards to GPL. This leads to one final conclusion that GPL is easier to learn to use than ADLIF.
Future Work

There is much work to be done in the measurement and comparison of graphical and textual design languages. First, it is necessary to collect and analyze more data. The initial findings indicate that GPL is a better design tool than ADLIF in terms of the complexity of designed source code, but a much larger set of data is necessary. Second, GPL needs to be tested against other textual design languages before it can be stated that graphical design languages are better than textual design languages. The complexities of other graphical design languages need to be measured and compared to both textual design languages and to GPL. Comparison of graphical design languages will help to identify the most effective features of graphical design languages and could lead to the definition of a standard graphical design language. Finally, more historical data relating to the design process needs to be collected including: design time, implementation time and debugging time.
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Appendix A. Sample GPL Design
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Diagram:

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local
res  res
proc  proc
nump  nump

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Appendix A. Sample GPL Design
Appendix A. Sample GIP Design

local
char
h demand integer
resource integer

process integer

\[ \text{init} \]
\[ \text{proc} \text{ nump} \]
\[ \text{retype} \text{ integer} \]

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\[ \text{DB3} \]
\[ \text{DB4} \]

\[ \text{EOLN} \]

\[ \text{ICB1} \]
\[ \text{ICB2} \]

```
ICB1
new (res [resource],loac);  
res [resource],loac ^,num := process;  
res [resource],loac ^,next := nil;  
proc (process),resources [resource],producer := TRUE;  
proc (process),resources [resource],request := FALSE;  
proc (process),resources [resource],allow [b] := FALSE;  
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```
ICB2
proc (process),demand := demand;  
proc (process),allow := 0;  
nump := nump + 1;  
proc (process),req := 0;  
```

```
    DB1
        ch \rightarrow ch
    DB2
        ch \rightarrow
    DB3
        demand \rightarrow
    DB4
        resource \rightarrow
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Appendix A. Sample GPL Design
Appendix A. Sample CPL Design

Diagram showing the flow of data and processes between different blocks and variables, such as 'ch', 'num', 'com', and 'proc'. The diagram includes flowcharts and decision points, with variables and processes labeled accordingly.
Appendix A. Sample GPL Design
ICB3
\[
\text{proc}(\text{pnum}), \text{alloc} := \text{proc}(\text{pnum}), \text{alloc} + \text{num}
\]
\[
\text{proc}[\text{pnum}, \text{resources}[\text{TAPES}], \text{requested} := \text{false}]
\]

ICB4
\[
\text{proc}(\text{pnum}), \text{alloc} := \text{proc}(\text{pnum}), \text{alloc} - \text{num}
\]

ICB5
\[
\text{proc}(\text{pnum}), \text{resources}[\text{TAPES}], \text{allocated} := \text{true}
\]

ICB6
\[
\text{proc}(\text{pnum}), \text{reg} := 0
\]
\[
\text{res}[\text{TAPES}], \text{avail} := \text{res}[\text{TAPES}], \text{avail} - \text{num}
\]
Appendix A. Sample GPL Design

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<td>proc[proc], alloc := proc[proc], alloc - num</td>
<td>num := proc[prom], resources[RAQES] allocated := false</td>
<td>res := res</td>
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Appendix A. Sample GPL Design
Appendix A. Sample GPL Design

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numtapes * 10j

IC82
numtapes := numtapes - proc.alloc;
proc[kv],major fin := true;
proc[kv].claim := proc[kv].demand - proc[kv].alloc;
lev := kv + j;

IC83
flag := true;

IC84
flag := false;
lev := j;

IC85
proc[kv].major fin := false;
numtapes := numtapes + proc.alloc;
flag := true;

IC86
bankers := false;

IC87
bankers := true;

IC88
lev := lev + 1;
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local
  eq integer
  each boolean
  llisil boolean

get
  num

reg < res [num].avail
  IC81

reg >= res [num].avail
  [DB2]
  [DB4]

IC82
  enqueue
  lock

IC81
  proc [pnum], resources [num]. requested := false;
  res [num]. avail := res [num]. avail - req;

IC82
  proc [pnum], req := req;
  proc [pnum], resources [num]. allocated := false;
  proc [pnum], resources [num]. requested := true;

[DB1]  [DB3]  [DB5]
  reg
  pnum
  res
  res, kill, tail

[DB2]  [DB4]  [DB6]  [DB8]
  pnum
  pnum
  proc
  proc
  res
  res
  res
  res
  dead
  dead
  alls1
  alls1
  dead
  dead

[DB3]
  1
  res [num]. pnum

[DB5]
  DB7
  res
  res

[DB6]
  display

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Appendix A. Sample GPL Design 101
IC81
res[TAPES].avail := res[TAPES].avail + proc[procind].alloc

IC82
proc[procind].alloc := 0;

IC83
resind := 0;

IC84
round := resind + 1;

IC85
res[resources].avail := res[resources].avail - proc[procind].req;
proc[procind].req := 0;
proc[procind].resources[resind].requested := false;

IC86
resind := 0;

IC87
proc[procind].resources[resind].producer := false;
res[resind].avail := 1000000;
Appendix A. Sample GPL Design

\[ \text{local procind integer isol boolean proc proc type } \]
\[ \text{procind integer } > \text{all isolated } \]
\[ \text{isolated boolean} \]

\[ \text{IC81 \rightarrow D81 \rightarrow isolated \rightarrow IC82} \]
\[ \text{procind = procind + 1} \]

\[ \text{IC81 :} \]
\[ \text{procind = 1} \]
\[ \text{isol = true} \]

\[ \text{IC82 :} \]
\[ \text{procind = procind + 1} \]

\[ \text{D81 :} \]
\[ \text{proc = procind} \]
\[ \text{proc = procind} \]
Appendix A. Sample GPL Design

local
res resid integer
proc
proc.type
proc
res resid_type
res resid
blocked
boolean

0

T.82

res resid < 6 and not proc. busy
T.83

res resid = 6
T.85

0

res resid < 6
T.84

res resid > 6
T.86

res resid < 6
T.84

res resid > 6
T.86
Appendix A. Sample GPL Design

local
kcv integer
reskcv integer

proc proctype flush res
res proctype

proc reg = 0

ICB1

kcv <= nump
ICB2

nump > 0
ICB3

res kcv <= 6
ICB4

res kcv > 6
ICB5

ICB6

kcv < 6

kcv <= 6
DB1

DB2

ICB7

kcv < 6
Dblist

kcv < 6
DB3

DB4

DB5

DB6

ICB8

\[\]
Appendix B. Sample Generated Relation Language Code
const true, TRUE;
const false, FALSE;
const not, NOT;
const eof, EOF;
const eoln, EOLN;
struct INPUT;
struct OUTPUT;
procedure displist (list)

begin
  local temp;

  cond ( (list & nil) & (list & nil) )
    begin
      temp = list;
    end;

  cond ( (temp & nil) & (temp & nil) & (list & nil) & (list & nil) )
    begin
      list = list;
      temp = list;
    end;

Appendix B. Sample Generated Relation Language Code
end;
procedure flushsys ( proc, res, nump )

begin
local lcv;
local reslcv;

begin
lcv = 100;
end;

cond ( ( lcv & nump )
& ( lcv & nump )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( reslcv & 100 )
& ( reslcv & 100 ) )

begin
proc = 100;
proc = 100;
end;

cond (
begin
reslcv = 100;
end;

cond ( 
   ( reslcv & 100 )
& ( reslcv & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( lcv & nump )
& ( lcv & nump )
& ( reslcv & 100 )
& ( reslcv & 100 )
)

begin
reslcv = reslcv & 100;
end;

cond ( 
   ( reslcv & 100 )
& ( reslcv & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( lcv & nump )
& ( lcv & nump )
)

begin
reslcv = reslcv & 100;
end;
begin
proc = 100;
proc = 100;
end;

begin
lcv = 100;
end;

cond ( 
    ( lcv & 100 ) 
    & ( lcv & 100 ) 
    & ( lcv & nump ) 
    & ( lcv & nump ) 
    & ( proc & 100 ) 
    & ( proc & 100 ) 
    & ( reslcv & 100 ) 
    & ( reslcv & 100 ) 
)

begin
displist ( res )
end;

cond ( 
    ( lcv & 100 )
    & ( lcv & 100 )
    & ( lcv & nump )
    & ( lcv & nump )
    & ( proc & 100 )
    & ( proc & 100 )
    & ( reslcv & 100 )
    & ( reslcv & 100 )
)

begin
    res = nil;
    res = 100;
end;

begin
    displist ( res )
end;

begin
    displist ( res )
end;
begin
res = nil;
res = nil;
res = 100;
end;
end;
procedure enque ( pnum, mum, q, tail )

begin

cond ( 
    ( q & nil )
    & ( q & nil )
)

begin
    tail = q;
end;

begin
    tail = pnum;
    tail = mum;
    tail = nil;
end;

cond ( 
    ( q & nil )
    & ( q & nil )
)

begin
tail = 100;
tail = tail;
end;

end;
procedure deque ( pnum, q, tail )

begin
local trail;
local t;

cond ( ( q & pnum ) & ( q & pnum ) )
begin
  t = q;
  q = q;
  t = nil;
end;

cond ( ( q & pnum ) & ( q & pnum ) )
begin
  trail = q;
  t = q;
end;
end;

cond (  
      ( t & pnum )  
      & ( t & pnum )  
      & ( q & pnum )  
      & ( q & pnum )  
      
)

begin
  trail = t;
  t = t;
end;

cond (  
      ( q & pnum )  
      & ( q & pnum )  
      
)

begin
  trail = t;
end;

cond (  
      ( t & tail )  
      
)
begin
tail = trail;
end;

cond ( 
    ( q & pnum )
    & ( q & pnum )
)

begin
t = nil;
end;

end;
procedure  blocked ( proc, procnum, res, blocked )

begin
local  resind;

cond ( 
  ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
)

begin
blocked = 100;
end;

cond ( 
  ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
)

begin
resind = 100;
end;

cond ( 

Appendix B. Sample Generated Relation Language Code
( resid & 100 & not & proc )
& ( not & resid & 100 & not & proc )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
)

begin
resid = resid & 100;
end;

cond ( 

( resid & proc )
& ( resid & proc )
& ( resid & 100 )
& ( resid & 100 )
& ( resid & 100 & not & proc )
& ( not & resid & 100 & not & proc )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
)

begin
blocked = 100;
end;

cond (
begin
  blocked = 100;
end;

cond (
  ( res & proc )
  & ( res & proc )
  & ( res & 100 )
  & ( res & 100 )
  & ( resind & 100 & not & proc )
  & ( not & resind & 100 & not & proc )
  & ( proc & 100 )
  & ( proc & 100 )
)
begin
  blocked = 100;
end;
end;
procedure isolated ( proc, procnum, isol )

begin
local resind;

cond ( ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
)

begin
resind = 100;
end;

cond ( ( proc )
& ( not & proc )
& ( resind & 100 )
& ( resind & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
)
begin
resind = resind & 100;
end;

cond (
   ( proc & 100 )
   & ( proc & 100 )
   & ( proc & 100 )
   & ( proc & 100 )
   & ( proc & 100 )
)

begin
isol = 100;
end;

cond (
   ( resind & 100 )
   & ( resind & 100 )
   & ( proc & 100 )
   & ( proc & 100 )
   & ( proc & 100 )
   & ( proc & 100 )
   & ( proc & 100 )
   & ( proc )
   & ( not & proc )
begin
isol = 100;
end;

cond ( 
    ( proc )
    & ( not & proc )
    & ( resind & 100 )
    & ( resind & 100 )
    & ( proc & 100 )
    & ( proc & 100 )
    & ( proc & 100 )
)

begin
isol = 100;
end;

end;
procedure allisolated ( proc, nump, isol )

begin
local procind;

begin
    procind = 100;
    isol = 100;
end;

cond ( ( procind & nump )
     & ( procind & nump )
     & ( not & isol )
     & ( isol )
     )

begin
    isolated ( proc, procind, isol )
end;

cond ( ( not & isol )
     & ( isol )
     & ( procind & nump )


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& ( procind & nump )
)

begin
procind = procind & 100;
end;

end;
procedure reduce ( procind, proc, res )

begin
local resind;

cond ( 
    ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
)

begin
res = res & proc;
proc = 100;
end;

cond ( 
    ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
)

begin
resind = 100;
end;
cond (  
    ( resind & 100 & not & proc )  
  & ( resind & 100 & proc )  
  & ( proc & 100 )  
  & ( proc & 100 )  
  & ( proc & 100 )  
  & ( proc & 100 )  
  )  

begin  
resind = resind & 100;  
end;  

cond (  
    ( proc & 100 )  
  & ( proc & 100 )  
  & ( proc & 100 )  
  & ( proc & 100 )  
  & ( proc & 100 )  
  )  

begin  
res = res & proc;  
proc = 100;  
proc = 100;  
end;
begin
resind = 100;
end;

cond (  
    ( resind & 100 ) 
    & ( resind & 100 ) 
    & ( resind & 100 & not & proc ) 
    & ( resind & 100 & proc ) 
    & ( proc & 100 ) 
    & ( proc & 100 ) 
    & ( proc & 100 ) 
    & ( proc & 100 ) 
    & ( resind & 100 & not & proc ) 
    & ( resind & 100 & proc ) 
)

begin
proc = 100;
res = 100;
end;

cond (  
    ( resind & 100 & not & proc ) 
    & ( resind & 100 & proc ) 
)
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
& ( resind & 100 & not & proc )
& ( resind & 100 & proc )
)

begin
resind = resind & 100;
end;

end;
extern  reducedead;

procedure  deadlock ( proc, res, nump, dead, allisol )

begin
local  procind;
local  isol;
local  block;

begin
procind = 100;
dead = 100;
allisol = 100;
end;

cond ( 
   ( procind & nump & not & dead & not & allisol )
& ( procind & nump & dead & allisol )
& ( block )
& ( not & block )
& ( dead )
& ( not & dead )
)

begin
isolated ( proc, procind, isol )
end;
cond (  
  ( isol )  
& ( not & isol )  
& ( procind & nump & not & dead & not & allisol )  
& ( procind & nump & dead & allisol )  
& ( block )  
& ( not & block )  
& ( dead )  
& ( not & dead )  
)

begin
  procind = procind & 100;
end;

cond (  
  ( isol )  
& ( not & isol )  
& ( procind & nump & not & dead & not & allisol )  
& ( procind & nump & dead & allisol )  
& ( dead )  
& ( not & dead )  
)

begin
blocked ( proc, procind, res, block )
end;

cond (  
   ( block )
& ( not & block )
& ( isol )
& ( not & isol )
& ( procind & nump & not & dead & not & allisol )
& ( procind & nump & dead & allisol )
)

begin
reducedead ( proc, procind, res, nump, dead, allisol )
end;

cond (  
   ( allisol )
& ( not & allisol )
& ( procind & nump & not & dead & not & allisol )
& ( procind & nump & dead & allisol )
& ( isol )
& ( not & isol )
& ( block )
& ( not & block )
& ( dead )
& ( not & dead )

begin
allisolated ( proc, nump, allisol )
end;

cond ( 
  ( allisol )
  & ( not & allisol )
  & ( allisol )
  & ( not & allisol )
  & ( procind & nump & not & dead & not & allisol )
  & ( procind & nump & dead & allisol )
  & ( isol )
  & ( not & isol )
  & ( block )
  & ( not & block )
  & ( dead )
  & ( not & dead )
)

begin
  dead = 100;
end;
cond ( 
    ( allisol )
    & ( not & allisol )
    & ( allisol )
    & ( not & allisol )
    & ( procind & nump & not & dead & not & allisol )
    & ( procind & nump & dead & allisol )
    & ( isol )
    & ( not & isol )
    & ( block )
    & ( not & block )
    & ( dead )
    & ( not & dead )
)

begin
    dead = 100;
end;

end;
procedure reducedead ( proc, procnun, res, nump, dead, allisol )

begin

begin
reduce ( procnun, proc, res )
end;

begin
deadlock ( proc, res, nump, dead, allisol )
end;

end;
procedure receive ( res, proc, rnum, pnum, nump )

begin
local req;
local dead;
local allisol;

begin
req = INPUT;
end;

cond ( ( req & res ) & ( req & res ) )

begin
proc = 100;
res = res & req;
end;

cond ( ( req & res ) & ( req & res ) )
begin
proc = req;
proc = 100;
proc = 100;
end;

cond (
    ( req & res )
    & ( req & res )
)

begin
enque ( pnum, req, res, res )
end;

cond (
    ( req & res )
    & ( req & res )
)

begin
deadlock ( proc, res, nump, dead, allisol )
end;
cond ( 
    ( not & dead )
    & ( dead )
    & ( req & res )
    & ( req & res )
)

begin
flushsys ( res, proc, nump )
end;

cond ( 
    ( not & dead )
    & ( dead )
    & ( req & res )
    & ( req & res )
)

begin
OUTPUT = res;
end;

end;
procedure sendmess ( res, proc, mum )

begin
local mess;
local t;

begin
mess = INPUT;
end;

begin
res = res & mess;
end;

cond ( ( res & nil )
     & ( res & nil )
)

begin
t = res;
end;

cond ( ( t & nil )

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begin
  \( t = t; \)
end;

cond ( 
  ( t & res )
  & ( t & res )
  & ( t & nil )
  & ( t & nil )
  & ( res & nil )
  & ( res & nil )
)

begin
  deque ( t, res, res )
end;

cond ( 
  ( t & res )
  & ( t & res )
  & ( t & res )
  & ( t & nil )
)
begin
res = res & t;
proc = 100;
proc = 100;
end;
end;
procedure bankers ( proc, nump, dead )

begin
local numtapes;
local lcv;
local flag;

begin
numtapes = 100;
end;

cond ( ( lcv & nump ) & ( lcv & nump ) )

begin
numtapes = numtapes & proc;
proc = 100;
proc = proc & proc;
lcv = lcv & 100;
end;

cond ( ( lcv & nump )

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& ( lcv & nump )
& ( flag )
& ( not & flag )
& ( lcv & nump )
& ( lcv & nump )
)

begin
lcv = lcv & 100;
end;

begin
flag = 100;
end;

cond ( 
  ( flag )
& ( not & flag )
& ( lcv & nump )
& ( lcv & nump )
& ( lcv & nump )
& ( lcv & nump )
& ( not & proc & proc & numtapes )
& ( proc & proc & numtapes )
)

begin
flag = 100;
lec = 100;
end;

cond ( 
    ( not & proc & proc & numtapes )
    & ( proc & proc & numtapes )
    & ( lec & nump )
    & ( lec & nump )
    & ( flag )
    & ( not & flag )
    & ( lec & nump )
    & ( lec & nump )
)
begin
proc = 100;
numtapes = numtapes & proc;
flag = 100;
end;

cond ( 
    ( numtapes & 100 )
    & ( numtapes & 100 )
    & ( flag )
    & ( not & flag )
)
begin
dead = 100;
end;

cond (
    ( numtapes & 100 )
    & ( numtapes & 100 )
    & ( flag )
    & ( not & flag )
    & ( lcv & nump )
    & ( lcv & nump )
    & ( lcv & nump )
    & ( lcv & nump )
    & ( lcv & nump )
    & ( lcv & nump )
    & ( not & proc & proc & numtapes )
    & ( proc & proc & numtapes )
)

begin
dead = 100;
end;

end;

end;
procedure trystart ( pnum, proc, nump, mum, res )

begin
local dead;

begin
proc = proc & mum;
proc = 100;
end;

begin
bankers ( proc, nump, dead )
end;

cond ( dead )
& ( not & dead )
)

begin
proc = proc & mum;
proc = 100;
end;

cond (
( dead )
& ( not & dead )
)

begin
proc = 100;
proc = 100;
res = res & rnum;
end;

cond ( ( not & proc )
& ( proc )
& ( dead )
& ( not & dead )
& ( not & dead )
)

begin
enque ( pnum, rnum, res, res )
end;
end;
procedure grantreq ( res, proc, nump )

begin
local t;

begin
  t = res;
end;

cond ( ( t & nil ) & ( t & nil ) )

begin
  t = t;
end;

cond ( ( t & res ) & ( t & res ) & ( t & nil ) & ( t & nil ) & ( t & nil ) )
begin
trystart ( t, proc, nump, t, res )
end;

end;
procedure release ( res, proc, mum, pnum, nump )

begin

begin

res = res & mum;
proc = proc & mum;
end;

cond ( ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
)

begin
deque ( pnum, res, res )
end;

cond ( ( proc & 100 )
& ( proc & 100 )
)

begin
proc = 100;

end;

cond (
    ( res & nil )
    & ( res & nil )
    & ( proc & 100 )
    & ( proc & 100 )
)

begin
    grantreq ( res, proc, nump )
end;
procedure  request ( res, proc, mnum, pnum, nump )

begin
local  dead;

begin
dead = 100;
end;

cond ( ( res & mnum ) & ( res & mnum ) & ( dead ) & ( not & dead )

begin
proc = 100;
proc = 100;
end;

cond ( ( res & mnum ) & ( res & mnum ) & ( dead )

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& ( not & dead )
)

begin
enque ( pnum, rnum, res, res )
end;

cond ( ( res & rnum )
& ( res & rnum ) )

begin
proc = proc & rnum;
proc = 100;
end;

cond ( ( res & rnum )
& ( res & rnum ) )

begin
bankers ( proc, nump, dead )
end;
cond ( 
  ( dead )
  & ( not & dead )
  & ( res & rnum )
  & ( res & rnum )
)

begin
proc = proc & rnum;
end;

cond ( 
  ( not & proc )
  & ( proc )
  & ( dead )
  & ( not & dead )
  & ( res & rnum )
  & ( res & rnum )
)

begin
enque ( pnum, rnum, res, res )
end;

cond ( 
( not & proc )
& ( proc )
& ( dead )
& ( not & dead )
& ( res & rnum )
& ( res & rnum )
)

begin
proc = 100;
end;

cond ( 
  ( dead )
& ( not & dead )
& ( res & rnum )
& ( res & rnum )
)
begin
proc = 100;
res = res & rnum;
end;

end;
procedure  skipblanks ( ch )

begin

cond (  
  ( ch & 100 )
& ( ch & 100 )
)

begin
ch = INPUT;
end;

end;
procedure processline ( res, proc, nump )

begin
local ch;
local pnum;
local com;
local rnum;

begin
    skipblanks ( ch )
end;

cond ( ( ch & 100 )
        & ( ch & 100 )
    )

begin
    ch = INPUT;
end;

cond ( ( ch & 100 )
        & ( ch & 100 )
    )
begin
pnum = INPUT;
end;

cond ( 
  ( ch & 100 )
& ( ch & 100 )
)

begin
skipblanks ( com )
end;

cond ( 
  ( ch & 100 )
& ( ch & 100 )
)

begin
ch = INPUT;
end;

cond ( 
  ( ch & 100 )
)
& ( ch & 100 )
)

begin
rnum = INPUT;
end;

cond ( 
    ( com & 100 )
& ( com & 100 )
& ( com & 100 )
& ( com & 100 )
& ( ch & 100 )
& ( ch & 100 )
)

begin
request ( res, proc, rnum, pnum, nump )
end;

cond ( 
    ( com & 100 )
& ( com & 100 )
& ( com & 100 )
& ( com & 100 )
& ( ch & 100 )
& ( ch & 100 )
)
begin
release ( res, proc, mum, pnum, nump )
end;

cond ( 
    ( com & 100 )
    & ( com & 100 )
    & ( com & 100 )
    & ( com & 100 )
    & ( ch & 100 )
    & ( ch & 100 )
)

begin
sendmess ( res, proc, mum )
end;

cond ( 
    ( com & 100 )
    & ( com & 100 )
    & ( com & 100 )
    & ( com & 100 )
    & ( ch & 100 )
& ( ch & 100 )
)

begin
receive ( res, proc, rnum, pnum, nump )
end;

cond ( ( ch & 100 ) & ( ch & 100 ) )

begin
OUTPUT = res;
end;

cond ( ( ch & 100 ) & ( ch & 100 ) )

begin
OUTPUT = res;
end;

cond ( ( ch & 100 ) & ( ch & 100 ) )

begin
OUTPUT = 100;
end;
end;
procedure simulate ( res, proc, nump )

begin

cond (
    ( not & eof ) & ( eof )
)

begin
    processline ( res, proc, nump )
end;

end;
procedure initprocess ( process, res, proc, nump )

begin
local ch;
local demand;
local resource;

begin
skipblanks ( ch )
end;

begin
ch = INPUT;
end;

begin
demand = INPUT;
end;

cond ( ( not & eoln ) & ( eoln ) )

begin
resource = INPUT;
end
end;

cond ( 
    ( not & eo1n )
    & ( eo1n )
  )

begin
res = 100;
res = process;
res = nil;
proc = 100;
proc = 100;
proc = 100;
end;

begin
proc = demand;
proc = 100;
nump = nump & 100;
proc = 100;
end;

end;
procedure initsys ( res, proc, nump )

begin
local processnum;
local ch;

begin
processnum = 100;
res = 100;
end;

begin
skipblanks ( ch )
end;

begin
ch = INPUT;
end;

begin
processnum = INPUT;
end;

cond (
  ( processnum & 100 )
& ( processnum & 100 )
)
begin
initprocess ( processnum, res, proc, nump )
end;

cond ( cond ( ( processnum & 100 ) & ( processnum & 100 ) )

begin
skipblanks ( ch )
end;

cond ( cond ( ( processnum & 100 ) & ( processnum & 100 ) )

begin
ch = INPUT;
end;

cond (
begin
processnum = INPUT;
end;

begin
ch = INPUT;
end;

end;
local res;
local proc;
local nump;

begin
  initsys ( res, proc, nump )
end;

begin
  simulate ( res, proc, nump )
end;

null
program deadlock (input, output);

const

TAPES = 6;
MAXPROC = 10;
BLANK = ' ';
MAXTAPES = 10;

type

intlist = ¬intrec;
intrec = record
  pnum : integer;
  req : integer;
next : intlist;
end;

resrec = record
  toarc : intlist;
  toarctail : intlist;
  avail : integer;
  q : intlist;
  tail : intlist;
end;

restype = array [1..TAPES] of resrec;

procrec = record
  demand : integer;
  resources : reslist;
  alloc : integer;
  maynotfin : boolean;
  claim : integer;
  req : integer;
end;
proctype = array [1..MAXPROC] of procrec;

var
    res : restype;
    proc : proctype;
    nump : integer;
procedure printq ( q : intlist );

var
  t : intlist;

begin
  if ( q <> nil ) then
    begin
      t := q;
      writeln; writeln;
      writeln ( ' Process Number Units Requested' );
      while ( t <> nil ) do
        begin
          writeln ( ' , t^.pnum:1, '
                      ', t^.req:1 );
          t := t^.next;
        end;
    end
  else
    begin
      writeln;
      writeln ( ' The Queue is Empty' );
    end;
end;
procedure display ( res : restype );

var lcv : integer;

begin

writeln;
for lcv := 1 to TAPES do
begin
  if ( lcv <> TAPES ) then
  begin
    writeln ( 'Message Area ', lcv, ' (Queue');
    writeln('====================');
  end
  else
  begin
    writeln ( 'Tape Queue' );
    writeln('==========');
  end;
printq ( res[lcv].q );
writeln; writeln; writeln; writeln;
end;
end;
procedure displist ( var list : intlist );

var
    temp : intlist;

begin
    if (list <> nil) then
        begin
            temp := list;
            while (temp <> nil) do
                begin
                    list := list-.next;
                    dispose ( temp );
                    temp := list;
                end;
        end;
end;
procedure flushsys ( var proc : proctype; var res : restype; 
nump : integer );

var
  lcv : integer;
  reslcv : integer;

begin
  for lcv := 1 to nump do
  begin
    proc[lcv].alloc := 0;
    proc[lcv].resources[TAPES].allocated := false;
    if ( proc[lcv].req > 0 ) then
      begin
        reslcv := 1;
        while ( (reslcv < = TAPES) and
          not proc[lcv].resources[reslcv].requested ) do
          reslcv := reslcv + 1;
        proc[lcv].resources[reslcv].requested := false;
        proc[lcv].req := 0;
      end;
  end;
  for lcv := 1 to (TAPES - 1) do
  begin
    displist ( res[lcv].q );
    res[lcv].tail := nil;
    res[lcv].avail := 0;
  end;

end;

displist ( res[TAPES].q );
res[TAPES].tail := nil;

displist ( res[TAPES].toarc );
res[TAPES].toarctail := nil;
res[TAPES].avail := MAXTAPES;

end;
procedure enque ( pnum, rnum : integer; var q, tail : intlist );

begin
  if (q = nil)
    then begin
      new ( q );
      tail := q;
    end
  else
    begin
      new (tail^.next);
      tail := tail^.next;
    end;
  tail^.pnum := pnum;
  tail^.req := rnum;
  tail^.next := nil;
end;
procedure deque ( pnum : integer; var q, tail : intlist );

var
  trail, t : intlist;

begin
  if (q^.pnum = pnum)
    then begin
      t := q;
      q := q^.next;
      dispose ( t );
    end
  else
    begin
      trail := q;
      t := q^.next;
      while ( t^.pnum <> pnum ) do
        begin
          trail := t;
          t := t^.next;
        end;
      trail^.next := t^.next;
      if (t = tail) then
        tail := trail;
      dispose ( t );
      end;
end;
function blocked ( proc : proctype; procnum: integer;
            res : restype ) : boolean;

    var
        resind : integer;

begin
    if (proc[procnum].req = 0)
        then blocked := false
    else
        begin
            resind := 1;
            while ( (resind <= TAPES) and
                    not (proc[procnum].resources[resind].requested)) do
                resind := resind + 1;
            if not (resind > TAPES) then
                begin
                    if (res[resind].avail < proc[procnum].req) then
                        blocked := true
                    else
                        blocked := false;
                end
            else
                blocked := false;
        end
end;
function isolated ( proc : proctype; procnum : integer )
: boolean;

var
resind : integer;

begin
if (proc[procnum].alloc > 0)
then
isolated := false
else
if (proc[procnum].req > 0)
then
isolated := false
else begin
resind := 1;
while ( (resind < TAPES) and
not (proc[procnum].resources[resind].producer)) do
resind := resind + 1;
if (resind < TAPES)
then isolated := false
else
isolated := true
end
end;
function allisolated ( proc : proctype; nump : integer )
  : boolean;

var
  procind : integer;
  isol : boolean;

begin
  procind := 1;
  isol := true;
  while ( isol and (procind <= nump)) do
    begin
      isol := isolated ( proc, procind );
      procind := procind + 1;
    end;
  allisolated := isol;
end;
procedure reduce (var proc : proctype; var res : restype;
    procind : integer);

var
    resind : integer;

begin
    if (proc[procind].alloc > 0)
        then begin
            res[TAPES].avail := res[TAPES].avail + proc[procind].alloc;
            proc[procind].alloc := 0;
        end;
    if (proc[procind].req > 0)
        then begin
            resind := 0;
            while ( (resind < TAPES) and
                    not (proc[procind].resources[resind].requested)) do
                resind := resind + 1;
            res[resind].avail := res[resind].avail - proc[procind].req;
            proc[procind].req := 0;
            proc[procind].resources[resind].requested := false;
        end;
    resind := 0;
    while ( (resind < TAPES) and
            not (proc[procind].resources[resind].producer)) do
        resind := resind + 1;
if (resind < TAPES)
    then begin
        proc[procind].resources[resind].producer := false;
        res[resind].avail := 1000000;
    end;
end;
procedure reducedead (proc : proctype; proctype; procnump : integer;
    res : restype; nump : integer;
    var dead, allisol : boolean); forward;

procedure deadlock (proc : proctype; res : restype;
    nump : integer; var dead, allisol : boolean);

var
    procind : integer;
    block : boolean;
    isol : boolean;

begin
    procind := 1;
    dead := false;
    allisol := false;
    while ((procind < = nump) and (not dead) and (not allisol)) do
        begin
            isol := isolated (proc, procind);
            if (not isol)
                then begin
                    block := blocked (proc, procind, res);
                    if (not block) then
                        begin
                            reducedead (proc, procind, res, nump, dead,
                                        allisol);
                        end;
        end;
end;
end;
procind := procind + 1;
end;

if (not allisol) then
begin
allisol := allisolated (proc, nump);
if (allisol) then
dead := false
else
begin
dead := true;
end;
end;
end;
procedure reducedead;

begin
  reduce (proc, res, procnum);
  deadlock (proc, res, nump, dead, allisol);
end;
procedure receivemess (var res : restype; var proc : proctype;
   rnum, pnum, nump : integer);

var
   req : integer;
   dead, allisol : boolean;

begin
   readln ( req );
   if (req <= res[rnum].avail)
      then begin
         proc[pnum].resources[rnum].requested := false;
         res[rnum].avail := res[rnum].avail - req;
      end
   else begin
      proc[pnum].req := req;
      proc[pnum].resources[rnum].allocated := false;
      proc[pnum].resources[rnum].requested := true;
      enqueue (pnum, req, res[rnum].q, res[rnum].tail);
      deadlock (proc, res, nump, dead, allisol);
      if (dead) then
         begin
            page(output);
            writeln;
            writeln ( 'The System is Deadlocked' );
            writeln;
            display ( res );
         end
   end
end;
flushsys( proc, res, nump );
end;
end;
end;
end;
procedure sendmess (var res : restype; var proc : proctype;
   rnum: integer);

var
   mess : integer;
   t : intlist;

begin
   readln ( mess );
   res[rnum].avail := res[rnum].avail + mess;
   if (res[rnum].q <> nil)
      then begin
         t := res[rnum].q;
         while (t <> nil) do
            begin
               if (t^.req <= res[rnum].avail)
                  then begin
                     res[rnum].avail := res[rnum].avail - t^.req;
                     proc[t^.pnum].resources[rnum].requested := false;
                     proc[t^.pnum].req := 0;
                     deque ( t^.pnum, res[rnum].q, res[rnum].tail );
                  end;
               t := t^.next;
            end;
      end;
end;
function bankers (proc : proctype; nump : integer) : boolean;

var
  numtapes : integer;
  lcv : integer;
  flag : boolean;
begin
  numtapes := MAXTAPES;
  for lcv := 1 to nump do
    begin
      numtapes := numtapes - proc[lcv].alloc;
      proc[lcv].maynotfin := true;
      proc[lcv].claim := proc[lcv].demand - proc[lcv].alloc;
      end;
  flag := true;
  while flag do
    begin
      flag := false;
      lcv := 1;
      while (lcv <= nump) do
        begin
          if ( (proc[lcv].maynotfin) and
               (proc[lcv].claim <= numtapes))
            then begin
              proc[lcv].maynotfin := false;
            end;
        end;
    end;
end.
numtapes := numtapes + proc[lcv].alloc;
flag := true;
end;
lev := lev + 1;
end;
end;
if (numtapes = MAXTAPES)
then bankers := false
else
bankers := true;
end;
procedure trystart (var res : restype; var proc : proctype;
    pnum, nump, rnum : integer);

var
    dead : boolean;

begin
    proc[pnum].alloc := proc[pnum].alloc + rnum;
    proc[pnum].resources[TAPES].requested := false;
    dead := bankers (proc, nump);
    if (dead)
        then begin
            proc[pnum].alloc := proc[pnum].alloc - rnum;
            proc[pnum].resources[TAPES].requested := true;
        end
    else
        begin
            if (not proc[pnum].resources[TAPES].allocated) then
                enqueue (pnum, nump, res[TAPES].toarc, res[TAPES].toarctail);
            dequeue (pnum, res[TAPES].q, res[TAPES].tail);
            proc[pnum].req := 0;
            proc[pnum].resources[TAPES].allocated := true;
            res[TAPES].avail := res[TAPES].avail - rnum;
        end
end;
procedure grantreq ( var res : restype; var proc : proctype;
    nump : integer );

var
    t : intlist;

begin
    t := res[TAPES].q;
    while (t <> nil) do
    begin
        if (t^.req <= res[TAPES].avail) then
        trystart (res, proc, t^.pnum, nump, t^.req);
        t := t^.next;
    end;
end;
procedure release (var res : restype; var proc : proctype;
    rnum, pnum, nump : integer);

begin
    readln;
    res[TAPES].avail := res[TAPES].avail + rnum;
    proc[pnum].alloc := proc[pnum].alloc - rnum;
    if (proc[pnum].alloc = 0) then
        begin
            deque (pnum, res[TAPES].toarc, res[TAPES].toarctail);
            proc[pnum].resources[TAPES].allocated := false;
        end;
    if res[TAPES].q <> nil
        then grantreq ( res, proc, nump );
end;
procedure request (var res : restype; var proc : proctype;
    rnum, pnum, nump : integer);

var
    dead : boolean;

begin
    readln;
    dead := true;
    if (res[TAPES].avail >= rnum) then
        begin
            proc[pnum].alloc := proc[pnum].alloc + rnum;
            proc[pnum].resources[TAPES].requested := false;
            dead := bankers(proc, nump);
            if (not dead)
                then begin
                    if (not proc[pnum].resources[TAPES].allocated)
                        then begin
                            enqueue (pnum, rnum, res[TAPES].toarc,
                                res[TAPES].toarctail);
                            proc[pnum].resources[TAPES].allocated := true;
                        end;
                    proc[pnum].req := 0;
                    res[TAPES].avail := res[TAPES].avail - rnum;
                end
            else

proc[pnum].alloc := proc[pnum].alloc - num;
end;

if dead
then begin
proc[pnum].resources[TAPES].requested := true;
proc[pnum].req := num;
enqueue ( pnum, num, res[TAPES].q, res[TAPES].tail );
end;
end;
procedure skipblanks (var ch : char);

begin
    read ( ch );
    while (ch = BLANK) do
        read ( ch );

end;
procedure processline (var res : restype; var proc : proctype;
    nump : integer);

var
    ch : char;
    pnum : integer;
    com : char;
    num : integer;

begin
    skipblanks ( ch );
    if (ch = 'D') then
        begin
            readln;
            page ( output );
            writeln;
            display ( res );
        end
    else
        begin
            read ( ch );
            read ( pnum );
            skipblanks ( com );
            read ( ch );
            read ( num );
            case com of

Appendix C. Sample Pascal Source Code
'Q' : request (res, proc, rnum, pnum, nump);

'L' : release (res, proc, rnum, pnum, nump);

'S' : sendmess (res, proc, rnum);

'R' : receivemess (res, proc, rnum, pnum, nump);

end;

end;

end;
procedure simulate (var res : restype; var proc : proctype;
    nump : integer );

begin
    while not eof do
        processline ( res, proc, nump );
    end;
procedure initprocess ( var res : restype; var proc : proctype;
process : integer; var nump : integer );

var
ch : char;
demand : integer;
resource : integer;

begin
skipblanks ( ch );
read ( ch );
read ( demand );
if not eoln then
begin
readln ( resource );
new ( res[resource].toarc );
res[resource].toarc .pnum := process;
res[resource].toarc .next := nil;
proc[process].resources[resource].producer := true;
proc[process].resources[resource].requested := false;
proc[process].resources[resource].allocated := false;
end;
proc[process].demand := demand;
proc[process].alloc := 0;
proc[process].req := 0;
nump := nump + 1;
end;
procedure initsys (var res : restype; var proc : proctype;
    var nump : integer );

var
    processnum : integer;
    ch : char;

begin
    processnum := -1;
    res[TAPES].avail := MA XTAPES;
    skipblanks ( ch );
    read ( ch );
    read ( processnum );
    while (processnum <> 0) do
        begin
            initprocess ( res, proc, processnum, nump );
            skipblanks ( ch );
            read ( ch );
            read ( processnum );
            end;
    readln;
end;

Appendix C. Sample Pascal Source Code 215
begin

initsys ( res, proc, nump );

simulate ( res, proc, nump );

end.
Appendix D. Operating Systems Assignment
Motivation

The motivation for this assignment is twofold. First, you will use a modern design language to aide in the architectural and detailed design phases of the software lifecycle. Design languages are tools created to make the design process easier, and more efficient. This in turn helps to expedite the implementation and testing phases of the software lifecycle, and to help us to produce more reliable software. Second, you will simulate management of consumeable and reusable operating system resources to prevent and detect deadlock.

Constraints

Our system will use the following constraints:

1. 10 tape drives (our reusable resource!)

2. 5 message areas (our consumeable resource!)
3. Any number of active processes

4. A FIFO queue associated with each appropriate resource

5. Bankers algorithm for automatic deadlock prevention of the reusable resource

6. A deadlock detection algorithm for the message areas.

note:

a single queue is needed for management of the tape drives, because a process doesn't care which tapes it gets, but, each message area will require its own queue. When resources become available, the first member of a queue is checked to see if there are enough available. If so, the resources are granted. If not, continue checking the queue and grant any of the resources that you can.

When deadlock is detected simply flush the inventory and queues of each of the 5 message areas.

Input

At the beginning of the input there will be a series of initialization lines that give the maximum demand for tapes and the number of the consumeable resource for which the process is a producer, if it is one. The end of the initialization section will be flagged by reading in a process number of 0.

The initialization cards will have the following format:
1. Producer process initialization

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>process</th>
<th>max. demand</th>
<th>produces</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>P = 3</td>
<td>D = 2</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

2. Non-producer process initialization

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>process</th>
<th>demand</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>P = 2</td>
<td>D = 5</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Input consists of the following types and formats:

1. Tape request

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>process</th>
<th>number of tapes</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>P = 1</td>
<td>Q = 4</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

2. Tape release

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>process</th>
<th>number of tapes</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>P = 3</td>
<td>L = 1</td>
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</table>

3. Send a message

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>process</th>
<th>resource number</th>
<th>number of messages</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>P = 5</td>
<td>S = 3</td>
<td>4</td>
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</table>

4. Receive a message
process  resource number  number of messages

P = 2  R = 1  2

5. A display of all of the jobs in the system

D

All input will be syntactically correct, and there will also be at least one blank after every number.

Output

Output should consist of the following:

1. Whenever a display is called for in the input file, the contents of each queue should be displayed

2. Whenever deadlock is detected, output a message to that effect, and display the contents of each queue.
Grading

Your design will be an integral part of your grade (so don’t just throw something together!). It will be graded on both quality and completeness. The design you hand in with your working system code should reflect any changes that were made during the implementation process. If you’ve done a good job of designing these changes should be minimal at best.

Initial Design : 50%

Revised Design and Code : 25%

Results: 25%

There will be a help session on the design languages at 4:00 on Monday the 20th in McB 328.
Appendix E. GPL Regression Line and Confidence Interval Plots
Figure 10. GPL Volume Regression and 95% Confidence Lines
Figure 11. GPL Effort Regression and 95% Confidence Lines
Figure 12. GPL Cyclomatic Regression and 95% Confidence Lines
Figure 13. GPL Information Flow Regression and 95% Confidence Lines

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Figure 14. GPL Information Flow with Length Regression and 95% Confidence Lines
Figure 15. GPL Information Flow with Effort Regression and 95% Confidence Lines
Figure 16. GPL Information Flow with Cyclomatic Regression and 95% Confidence Lines

Appendix E. GPL Regression Line and Confidence Interval Plots
Appendix F. ADLIF Regression Line and Confidence Interval Plots
Figure 17. ADLIF Length Regression and 95% Confidence Lines
Figure 18. ADLIF N Regression and 95% Confidence Lines
Figure 19. ADLIF Volume Regression and 95% Confidence Lines

Appendix F. ADLIF Regression Line and Confidence Interval Plots
Figure 20. ADLIF Effort Regression and 95% Confidence Lines
Figure 21. ADLIF Cyclomatic Regression and 95% Confidence Lines
Figure 23. AIDLIF Information Flow with Length Regression and 95% Confidence Lines
Figure 24. ADLIF Information Flow with Effort Regression and 95% Confidence Lines
Figure 25. ADLIF Information Flow with Cyclomatic Regression and 95% Confidence Lines
Appendix G. Software Engineering Assignment
Your assignment, should you decide to accept it (well, actually you must accept it), is to design and implement the “robots” game. The following is what the board to the game must look like:

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The object of the "robots" game is to get all the robots, who are trying to get you, to run into each other, or into junk heaps. When two robots collide they both die, and a junk heap is created. You can move around the playing area using the keys shown in the MOVES area of the display. You may not move outside the playing area, any attempt to do so should be counted as a move. For example, if you are on the lefthand edge of the playing area and you attempt to do an "n" you should leave yourself on the lefthand edge but move yourself down one row. If you tried to do an "h" you should leave yourself in the same place, etc.. Every time that you make a move, each robot also makes a move.

Note:

Striking any other keys than those of the commands or moves does nothing, and does not count as a move.

Commands

- The "teleport" command randomly generates a new position for you in the playing area. You can teleport at anytime. Teleporting counts as a move, so, after your new position has been determined and you have moved there, the robots all get a move.
• The "last stand" command has the same effect as doing "j"s, i.e. don't move anywhere, until you die or all the robots die.

• The "quit" command quits the game.

• The "redraw" command simply redraws the screen.

The Play

Initially the playing area has ten robots and you on it. You get the first move, then all the robots get a move, then you, and so on. If you succeed in killing all of the robots you have won the round. The next round will start with twenty new robots and none of the junk heaps created in the previous round, then thirty new robots and none of the old junk heaps, then forty, etc.. Play is ended when you die.

Note:

Don't forget that when you are generating positions for the robots it is possible that you will generate two robots to be on the same position. This is called a collision, and your program must handle collisions by providing a different position for the colliding robot.

Death

Death is signified by printing "*MUNCH*" at the position on the screen where you died, and is achieved in one of three ways:

1. A robot moves onto the space where you are
2. You move onto a junk heap

3. Teleporting onto a place where there is already a robot

**Scoring**

Your score is printed in the lower right hand corner of the screen (see the diagram above) and is updated continuously. Every robot that you kill is worth the same number of points that there were robots on the screen at the beginning of the round.

**The Robots**

The robots are not too intelligent, and their moves are very simple. If you are on the same row or in the same column, the robots simply take one step in your direction. Otherwise, the robots take one diagonal step in your direction. The robots are not intelligent enough to look and see if some other robot is going to move to the same place that they are, nor do they look to see if there is a junk heap already on the spot they are going to move to.

**The Assignment**

You are to design, in ADLIF or GPL, and implement, in PASCAL, the "robots" game.

The ADLIF group will be using the VAX35 account:
CS49800F
password: adliff

The GPL group will be using Zonker, under Roger's supervision, for their designs and the VAX35 account.

CS498015
password: graphic

The VAX35 accounts have a sub-directory, by last names, for each of the persons who will be using that account. Please work only under your sub-directory.
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