

MFES - Métodos Formais em Engenharia de Software

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Logic operators

not	!	negation
and	&&	conjunction
or		disjunction
implies	=>	implication
else	,	alternative
iff	<=>	bi-implication

Quantifiers

all $x:e$ F	F holds for every x in e;
some $x:e$ F	F holds for some x in e;
no $x:e$ F	F holds for no x in e;
lone $x:e$ F	F holds for at most one x in e;
one $x:e$ F	F holds for exactly one x in e.

Quantifiers (examples)

```
abstract sig Target {}
sig Name extends Target {}
sig Address extends Target {}
sig Book { address: Name -> Target }
```

some Name

says that the set of names is not empty;

some address

says that the address book is not empty: there is some pair mapping a name to an address;

no (Book.address.Address - Name)

says that nothing is mapped to addresses except for names;

all n: Name | lone n.(Book.address)

says that every name maps to at most one address (more succinctly than in the previous example);

all n: Name | one n.(Book.address) or no n.(Book.address)

says the same thing.



Quantifiers (examples)

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```

- **some** n:Name, a:Address | a in n.(Book.address)
 - Some name maps to some address - address book not empty
- **no** n:Name | n in n.^(Book.address)
 - No name can be reached by lookups from itself - address book acyclic
- **all** n:Name | lone a:Address | a in n.(Book.address)
 - Every name maps to at most one address - address book is functional
- **all** n:Name | no disj a,a': Address | (a + a') in n.(Book.address)
 - No name maps to two or more distinct addresses - same as above

Comprehensions

```
abstract sig Target {}
sig Name extends Target {}
sig Address extends Target {}
sig Book { address: Name -> Target }
```

- **{n:Name | no n.^(Book.address) & Address}**
 - Set of names that don't resolve to any actual addresses
- **{n:Name, a:Address | n->a in ^(Book.address)}**
 - Binary relation mapping names to reachable addresses

Let expression and restrictions

```
let x = e | A
```

Examples:

```
all a: Alias |
  let w = a.workAddress |
    a.address = if some w then w else a.homeAddress
```

OR

```
all a: Alias |
  a.address =
    let w = a.workAddress |
      if some w then w else a.homeAddress
```

Sintaxe

- **sig** - defines a set
- **fact** - expresses a truth
- **pred** - predicate
- **fun** - function
- **assert** - property
- **check** - check property within certain limits
- **run** - search for instance of predicate within scope

Example

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Modeling “ceilings and floors”

- sig Platform {}
 - There are “Platform” things
- sig Man {ceiling, floor: Platform}
 - Each Man has a ceiling and floor Platform
- fact {all m:Man | some n:Man | Above[n,m]}
 - “One Man’s Ceiling is Another Man’s Floor”
- pred Above(m, n:Man) {m.floor = n.ceiling}
 - Man m is “above” Man n if m’s floor is n’s ceiling

Checking “ceilings and floors”

```
assert BelowToo {  
  all m:Man | some n:Man | Above[n,m]  
}
```

“One Man’s Floor Is Another Man’s Ceiling?”

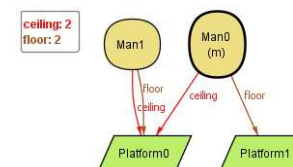
Check BelowToo for 2

check “One Man’s Floor Is Another Man’s Ceiling”
counterexample with 2 or less platforms and men?

Clicking “Execute” ran this command

- counterexample found, shown in graphic

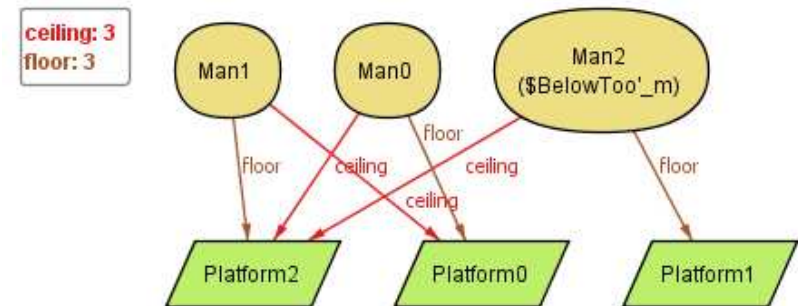
Counterexample to BelowToo



“Ceilings and floors”

- `pred Geometry {no m: Man | m.floor = m.ceiling}`
- `assert BelowToo' { Geometry => (all m: Man | some n: Man | m.Above[n]) }`
- `check BelowToo' for 2 expect 0`
- `check BelowToo' for 3 expect 1`

Counterexample to BelowToo'



“Ceilings and floors”

- ```
pred NoSharing {
 no m,n: Man | m!=n &&
 (m.floor = n.floor || m.ceiling = n.ceiling)
}

assert BelowToo" { NoSharing => (all m: Man | some n: Man |
 m.Above[n]) }
```
- `check BelowToo" for 6 expect 0`  
`check BelowToo" for 10 expect 0`

## Example

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