

CS-628

Interactive Theorem Proving CS

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Cursus	Sem.	Type
Computer and Communication Sciences		Opt.

Language of teaching	English
Credits	6
Session	
Exam	During the semester
Workload	180h
Hours	6
Lecture	2
Exercises	1
Practical work	3
Number of positions	

Frequency

Every year

Remark

Spring 2024

Summary

A hands-on introduction to interactive theorem proving, proofs as programs, dependent types, and to the Coq proof assistant. Come learn how to write bug-free code!

Content

Draft syllabus

- Intro to the Coq proof assistant (logic, higher-order functions, tactics)
- Functional programming (inductive types and fixpoints)
- Structural induction (data structures and verified algorithms)
- Interpreter-based program semantics (intro to compiler verification)
- Inductive relations (predicates, rule induction)
- Automation and tactics I (bottom-up reasoning and logic programming)
- Operational program semantics (small- and big-step semantics)
- Program logics (hoare triples)
- Automation and tactics II (top-down reasoning)
- Type systems (Simply-typed lambda calculus)
- Dependent types and equality proofs
- Automation and tactics III (proofs by reflection)
- Real-world interactive theorem proving (guest lecture)

Teaching methods: (e.g., ex cathedra, in-lab project, field trip)

- Lectures
- Live-coding sessions

Expected student activities:

- Weekly programming and verification assignments

Assessment methods:

- Take-home programming and verification assignments

Note

Learning outcomes:

Implement purely-functional algorithms in the Gallina language; Translate informal requirements about software into precise mathematical properties; Plan and carry out mechanized proofs in Coq (e.g. maths algorithms compilers type systems); Automate repetitive proof tasks

Keywords

Interactive theorem proving, verification, intuitionistic logic, program proofs, functional programming

Learning Prerequisites**Recommended courses**

- Formal Verification (CS-550)
- Computer language processing (CS-320)
- Foundations of software (CS-452)

Resources**Bibliography**

- <https://softwarefoundations.cis.upenn.edu/>
- <http://adam.chlipala.net/frap/>
- <https://coq.inria.fr/distrib/current/refman/>

Moodle Link

- <https://go.epfl.ch/CS-628>