

# 4190.310 Programming Language

## The K-- Language

### 1 Syntax

<i>Expression</i> $e$	$\rightarrow$	<code>unit</code>	unit
		<code>x := e</code>	assignment
		<code>e ; e</code>	sequence
		<code>if e then e else e</code>	branch
		<code>while e do e</code>	while loop
		<code>read x</code>	input
		<code>write e</code>	output
		<code>let x := e in e</code>	variable binding
		<code>n</code>	integer
		<code>true</code>   <code>false</code>	boolean
		<code>x</code>	identifier
		<code>e + e</code>   <code>e - e</code>   <code>e * e</code>   <code>e / e</code>	arithmetic operation
		<code>e &lt; e</code>   <code>e = e</code>   <code>not e</code>	conditional operation

#### 1.1 Program

A program is an expression.

#### 1.2 Identifiers

Alpha-numeric identifiers are `[a-zA-Z][a-zA-Z0-9_]*`. Identifiers are case sensitive: `z` and `Z` are different. The reserved words cannot be used as identifiers: `unit` `true` `false` `not` `if` `then` `else` `let` `in` `end` `while` `do` `read` `write`

#### 1.3 Numbers/Comments

Numbers are integers, optionally prefixed with `-` (for negative integer): `-?[0-9]+`.

A comment is any character sequence within the comment block `(* *)`. The comment block can be nested.

## 1.4 Precedence/Associativity

In parsing K-- program text, the precedence of the K-- constructs in decreasing order is as follows. Symbols in the same set have identical precedence. Symbols with subscript  $L$  (respectively  $R$ ) are left (respectively right) associative. Symbols without subscript are nonassociative.

{not}<sub>R</sub>,  
{\*, /}<sub>L</sub>,  
{+, -}<sub>L</sub>,  
{=, <}<sub>L</sub>,  
{write}<sub>R</sub>,  
{:=}<sub>R</sub>,  
{else},  
{then},  
{do},  
{;}<sub>L</sub>,  
{in}

For example, K-- program

x := e1; e2                   ⇒ (x := e1) ; e2  
while e do e1; e2           ⇒ (while e do e1); e2  
if e1 then e2 else e3; e4   ⇒ (if e1 then e2 else e3); e4

Rule of thumb: for your test programs, if your programs are hard to read (hence can be parsed not as you expected) then put parentheses around.

## 2 Domains

$n$	∈	$\mathbb{Z}$	integer
$b$	∈	$\mathbb{B}$	boolean
$v$	∈	$Val = \mathbb{Z} + \mathbb{B} + \{.\}$	
$\sigma$	∈	$Env = Id \xrightarrow{\text{fin}} Addr$	
$M$	∈	$Mem = Addr \xrightarrow{\text{fin}} Val$	
$x, y$	∈	$Id$	identifier
$l$	∈	$Addr$	address

### 3 Semantics

[True]	$\frac{}{\sigma, M \vdash \mathbf{true} \Rightarrow \mathit{true}, M}$
[False]	$\frac{}{\sigma, M \vdash \mathbf{false} \Rightarrow \mathit{false}, M}$
[Num]	$\frac{}{\sigma, M \vdash n \Rightarrow n, M}$
[Unit]	$\frac{}{\sigma, M \vdash \mathbf{unit} \Rightarrow \cdot, M}$
[Var]	$\frac{}{\sigma, M \vdash x \Rightarrow M(\sigma(x)), M}$
[Add]	$\frac{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 \Rightarrow n_1, M' \quad \sigma, M' \vdash e_2 \Rightarrow n_2, M''}{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 + e_2 \Rightarrow n_1 + n_2, M''}$
[Sub]	$\frac{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 \Rightarrow n_1, M' \quad \sigma, M' \vdash e_2 \Rightarrow n_2, M''}{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 - e_2 \Rightarrow n_1 - n_2, M''}$
[Mul]	$\frac{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 \Rightarrow n_1, M' \quad \sigma, M' \vdash e_2 \Rightarrow n_2, M''}{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 \times e_2 \Rightarrow n_1 \times n_2, M''}$
[Div]	$\frac{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 \Rightarrow n_1, M' \quad \sigma, M' \vdash e_2 \Rightarrow n_2, M''}{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 / e_2 \Rightarrow n_1/n_2, M''}$
[EqualTrue]	$\frac{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 \Rightarrow v_1, M' \quad \sigma, M' \vdash e_2 \Rightarrow v_2, M'' \quad v_1 = v_2}{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 = e_2 \Rightarrow \mathit{true}, M''}$
[EqualFalse]	$\frac{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 \Rightarrow v_1, M' \quad \sigma, M' \vdash e_2 \Rightarrow v_2, M'' \quad v_1 \neq v_2}{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 = e_2 \Rightarrow \mathit{false}, M''}$
[Less]	$\frac{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 \Rightarrow n_1, M' \quad \sigma, M' \vdash e_2 \Rightarrow n_2, M''}{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 < e_2 \Rightarrow n_1 < n_2, M''}$
[Not]	$\frac{\sigma, M \vdash e \Rightarrow b, M'}{\sigma, M \vdash \mathbf{not} \ e \Rightarrow \mathit{not} \ b, M'}$

[Assign]	$\frac{\sigma, M \vdash e \Rightarrow v, M'}{\sigma, M \vdash x := e \Rightarrow v, M' \{ \sigma(x) \mapsto v \}}$
[Seq]	$\frac{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 \Rightarrow v_1, M' \quad \sigma, M' \vdash e_2 \Rightarrow v_2, M''}{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 ; e_2 \Rightarrow v_2, M''}$
[IfTrue]	$\frac{\sigma, M \vdash e \Rightarrow \text{true}, M' \quad \sigma, M' \vdash e_1 \Rightarrow v, M''}{\sigma, M \vdash \text{if } e \text{ then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2 \Rightarrow v, M''}$
[IfFalse]	$\frac{\sigma, M \vdash e \Rightarrow \text{false}, M' \quad \sigma, M' \vdash e_2 \Rightarrow v, M''}{\sigma, M \vdash \text{if } e \text{ then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2 \Rightarrow v, M''}$
[WhileTrue]	$\frac{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 \Rightarrow \text{true}, M' \quad \sigma, M' \vdash e_2 \Rightarrow v_1, M_1 \quad \sigma, M_1 \vdash \text{while } e_1 \text{ do } e_2 \Rightarrow v_2, M_2}{\sigma, M \vdash \text{while } e_1 \text{ do } e_2 \Rightarrow v_2, M_2}$
[WhileFalse]	$\frac{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 \Rightarrow \text{false}, M'}{\sigma, M \vdash \text{while } e_1 \text{ do } e_2 \Rightarrow \cdot, M'}$
[Let]	$\frac{\sigma, M \vdash e_1 \Rightarrow v, M' \quad \sigma \{ x \mapsto l \}, M' \{ l \mapsto v \} \vdash e_2 \Rightarrow v', M'' \quad l \notin \text{Dom } M'}{\sigma, M \vdash \text{let } x := e_1 \text{ in } e_2 \Rightarrow v', M''}$
[Read]	$\frac{}{\sigma, M \vdash \text{read } x \Rightarrow n, M \{ \sigma(x) \mapsto n \}}$
[Write]	$\frac{\sigma, M \vdash e \Rightarrow n, M'}{\sigma, M \vdash \text{write } e \Rightarrow n, M'}$