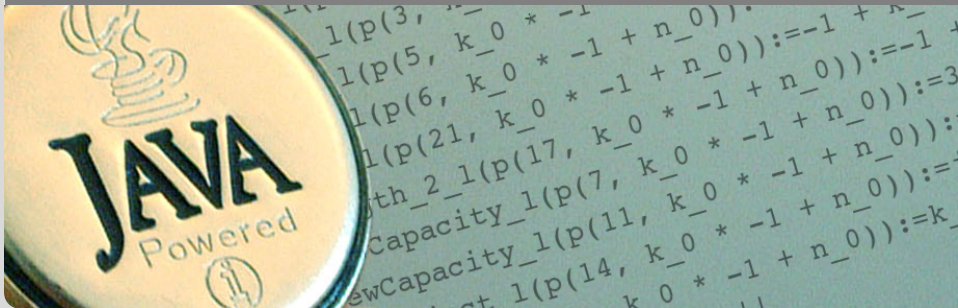


Applications of Formal Verification

Functional Verification of Java Programs: Java Modelling Language

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with a boolean JML expression e specifies that the method may **may** not terminate **only** when e is true in the pre-state.

Examples

```
diverges false;
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