# **Chapter 6 Reading Discussion**

Chapter 6 (pp 217-287)

#### **Control Flow**

- Without consulting the text or your notes
  - Work in groups of 3
  - List as many control flow mechanisms as you can remember
  - What language paradigm
    - Declarative
    - Imperative
    - Logical

Are they sometimes associated with?

Time 1 minute

#### Order of evaluation

- Without consulting the text or your notes
  - Work in groups of 3
    - List
      - -Benefits
      - -Problems

If order of evaluation of sub expressions is not specified.

## Assignments

- Without consulting the text or your notes
  - Work in groups of 3
  - Issues
    - L-value v.s. r-value
    - References and pointers
    - Side effect causing functions
    - Boxing
    - Expressions v.s. commands
    - initialization
  - Give an example that illustrates why the issue is important

#### Precedence v.s. order of evaluation

- Consider x \* y + z
- When would z be evaluated first?
  - 1. (+) associates to the left
  - 2. (+) associates to the right
  - 3. (\*) binds tighter than (+)
  - 4. (+) binds tighter than \*
  - 5. The language evaluates sub expressions from left to right
  - 6. The language evaluates sub expressions from right to left
  - 7. The language specifies no order of evaluation
  - 8. (+) is commutative
- Make a list of all conditions that must hold
- Could y ever be evaluated first?

### Mathematical Laws

• True or False

- x y + z
- Can be rearranged to be
- (x + z) y

### Short circuit evaluation

- Works in groups of 3
- Give an example where short circuit evaluation of (&&) logical conjunction makes code shorter.

Can you think of one for logical disjunction?

# Multiway case

- Work in groups of 3
- List as many considerations as you can think of that might be important to efficient implementation of multiway branches

## Loops

- Kinds of looping constructs
  - 1. Enumerated loops
  - 2. Logical loops
  - 3. Use of iterators
  - 4. Mid test loops (break, exit, continue, etc.)
  - 5. Recursion
  - Give a pair (m,n) where construct m can simulate construct n. Justify your answer with a sketch of an implementaion.