

# Axiomatic Semantics

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# Example

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$$\frac{}{\vdash \{A[x \rightarrow e]\}x := e \{A\}} \quad \frac{\vdash \{A \wedge b\}c_1 \{B\} \quad \vdash \{A \wedge \text{not } b\}c_2 \{B\}}{\vdash \{A\}\text{if } b \text{ then } c_1 \text{ else } c_2 \{B\}}$$

$$\frac{\vdash A' \Rightarrow A \quad \vdash \{A\}c \{B\} \quad \vdash B \Rightarrow B'}{\vdash \{A'\}c \{B'\}}$$

$$\frac{\vdash \{A \wedge b\}c \{A\}}{\vdash \{A\}\text{while } b \text{ do } c \{A \wedge \text{not } b\}}$$

$$\frac{\vdash \{A\}c_1 \{C\} \quad \vdash \{C\}c_2 \{B\}}{\vdash \{A\}c_1; c_2 \{B\}}$$

```
{ x=x0 and y=y0 }
if(x > y){
  t = x - y;
  while(t > 0){
    x = x - 1;
    y = y + 1;
    t = t - 1;
  }
}
{ x0 > y0 => y=x0 and x=y0 }
```

# Example

$\{ x=x_0 \text{ and } y=y_0 \}$

if  $(x > y)$  {

$\{ x>y \text{ and } x=x_0 \text{ and } y=y_0 \}$

$\{ x=y_0+x-y \text{ and } y=x_0-(x-y) \text{ and } x-y \geq 0 \}$

$t = x - y;$

$\{ x=y_0+t \text{ and } y=x_0-t \text{ and } t \geq 0 \}$

while  $(t > 0)$  {

$\{ x=y_0+t \text{ and } y=x_0-t \text{ and } t \geq 0 \text{ and } t > 0 \}$

$\{ x-1=y_0+t-1 \text{ and } y+1=x_0-(t-1) \text{ and } t-1 \geq 0 \}$

$x = x - 1;$

$\{ x=y_0+t-1 \text{ and } y+1=x_0-(t-1) \text{ and } t-1 \geq 0 \}$

$y = y + 1;$

$\{ x=y_0+t-1 \text{ and } y=x_0-(t-1) \text{ and } t-1 \geq 0 \}$

$t = t - 1;$

$\{ x=y_0+t \text{ and } y=x_0-t \text{ and } t \geq 0 \}$

}

$\{ x=y_0+t \text{ and } y=x_0-t \text{ and } t \geq 0 \text{ and } \neg(t > 0) \}$

$\{ y=x_0 \text{ and } x=y_0 \}$

}

$\{ x_0 > y_0 \Rightarrow y=x_0 \text{ and } x=y_0 \}$

$\frac{}{\vdash \{A[x \rightarrow e]\}x := e \{A\}}$

$\frac{\vdash \{A\}c_1 \{C\} \quad \vdash \{C\}c_2 \{B\}}{\vdash \{A\}c_1; c_2 \{B\}}$

$\frac{\vdash \{A \wedge b\}c_1 \{B\} \quad \vdash \{A \wedge \text{not } b\}c_2 \{B\}}{\vdash \{A\}\text{if } b \text{ then } c_1 \text{ else } c_2 \{B\}}$

$\vdash \{A \wedge b\}c \{A\}$

$\frac{\vdash \{A \wedge b\}c \{A\}}{\vdash \{A\}\text{while } b \text{ do } c \{A \wedge \text{not } b\}}$

$\frac{\vdash A' \Rightarrow A \quad \vdash \{A\}c \{B\} \quad \vdash B \Rightarrow B'}{\vdash \{A'\}c \{B'\}}$

# From partial to total correctness

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Total correctness judgment

- $\vdash [A] c [B]$
- Just like before, but must also prove termination

$$\frac{\vdash [A \wedge b]c_1 [B] \quad \vdash [A \wedge \text{not } b]c_2 [B]}{\vdash [A] \text{if } b \text{ then } c_1 \text{ else } c_2 [B]}$$

$$\frac{}{\vdash [A[x \rightarrow e]]x := e [A]}$$

$$\frac{\vdash [A]c_1 [C] \quad \vdash [C]c_2 [B]}{\vdash [A]c_1; c_2 [B]}$$

What about loops

# Rank function

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Function  $F$  of the state that

- a) Maps state to an integer
- b) Decreases with every iteration of the loop
- c) Is guaranteed to stay greater than zero
- Also called variant function

$$\frac{\vdash [A \wedge b \wedge F = z]c [A \wedge F < z] \quad \vdash A \wedge b \Rightarrow F \geq 0}{\vdash [A]while\ b\ do\ c [A \wedge not\ b]}$$

# Example

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Can we prove this?

```
[ x=x0 and y=y0 ]
if(x > y){
  t = x - y;
  while(t > 0){
    x = x - 1;
    y = y + 1;
    t = t - 1;
  }
}
[ x0 > y0 => y=x0 and x=y0 ]
```

# Example

{  $x=x_0$  and  $y=y_0$  }

if ( $x > y$ ) {

{  $x>y$  and  $x=x_0$  and  $y=y_0$  }

{  $x=y_0+x-y$  and  $y=x_0-(x-y)$  and  $x-y \geq 0$  }

$t = x - y;$

{  $x=y_0+t$  and  $y=x_0-t$  and  $t \geq 0$  }

while ( $t > 0$ ) {

{  $x=y_0+t$  and  $y=x_0-t$  and  $t \geq 0$  and  $t > 0$  and  $t < z$  }

{  $x-1=y_0+t-1$  and  $y+1=x_0-(t-1)$  and  $t-1 \geq 0$  and  $t-1 < z$  }

$x = x - 1;$

{  $x=y_0+t-1$  and  $y+1=x_0-(t-1)$  and  $t-1 \geq 0$  and  $t-1 < z$  }

$y = y + 1;$

{  $x=y_0+t-1$  and  $y=x_0-(t-1)$  and  $t-1 \geq 0$  and  $t-1 < z$  }

$t = t - 1;$

{  $x=y_0+t$  and  $y=x_0-t$  and  $t \geq 0$  and  $t < z$  }

}

[  $x=y_0+t$  and  $y=x_0-t$  and  $t \geq 0$  and  $!(t > 0)$  ]

[  $y=x_0$  and  $x=y_0$  ]

}

[  $x_0 > y_0 \Rightarrow y=x_0$  and  $x=y_0$  ]

$$\frac{\vdash [A \wedge b \wedge F = z]c [A \wedge F < z] \quad \vdash A \wedge b \Rightarrow F \geq 0}{\vdash [A]while\ b\ do\ c [A \wedge not\ b]}$$

# Weakest Preconditions

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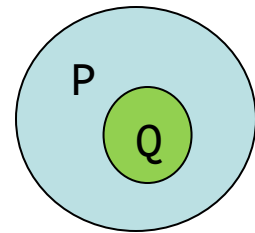
$$P = wpc(c, A)$$

Command

Predicate

Weakest predicate  $P$  such that  $\models \{P\} c \{A\}$

-  $P$  weaker than  $Q$  iff  $Q \Rightarrow P$



$$wpc(\text{skip } \{Q\}) = Q$$

$$wpc(x = e \{Q\}) = Q[e/x]$$

$$wpc(C1; C2 \{Q\}) = wpc(C1 \{wpc(C2 \{Q\})\})$$

$$wpc(\text{if } B \text{ then } C1 \text{ else } C2 \{Q\}) = \\ (B \text{ and } wpc(C1 \{Q\})) \text{ or } (\text{not } B \text{ and } wpc(C2 \{Q\}))$$



# Weakest Precondition

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While-loop is tricky

- Let  $W = wpc(\text{while } e \text{ do } c, B)$
- then,

$$W = e \Rightarrow wpc(c, W) \wedge \neg e \Rightarrow B$$

# Verification Condition

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Stronger than the weakest precondition

Can be computed by using an invariant

$VC(\text{while}_I e \text{ do } c, B) =$

$$I \wedge \forall x_1, \dots, x_n I \Rightarrow (e \Rightarrow VC(c, I) \wedge \neg e \Rightarrow B)$$

- Where  $x_i$  are variables modified in  $c$ .

# Example

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Is this program correct?

```
i = 5;
while (i > 0)
  invariant { i >= 0 }
{
  i = i - 1;
}
{ i == 0 }
```

$$VC(\text{while}_I e \text{ do } c, B) = I \wedge \forall x_1, \dots, x_n I \Rightarrow (e \Rightarrow VC(c, I) \wedge \neg e \Rightarrow B)$$

$vc(i := 5; \text{while}(i > 0) i := i - 1, i = 0)$

$vc(i := 5, vc(\text{while}(i > 0) i := i - 1, i = 0))$

$vc(i := 5, i \geq 0 \wedge \forall i. i \geq 0 \Rightarrow (i > 0 \Rightarrow i - 1 \geq 0) \wedge (\neg(i > 0) \Rightarrow i = 0))$

$5 \geq 0 \wedge \forall i. i \geq 0 \Rightarrow (i > 0 \Rightarrow i - 1 \geq 0) \wedge (\neg(i > 0) \Rightarrow i = 0)$

# Assert and Assume

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It is convenient to extend the language with statements that prescribe which executions are correct / feasible:

assert e: e must hold in every **correct** execution

assume e: e must hold in every **feasible** execution

```
{ x=x0 and y=y0 }  
z = x;  
x = y;  
y = z;  
{ y=x0 and x=y0 }
```



```
assume x == x0;  
assume y == y0;  
z = x;  
x = y;  
y = z;  
assert x == x0;  
assert y == y0;
```

# Weakest Precondition

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$$wpc(\text{assert } e, Q) = ??$$

for  $Q$  to be true after,  $e$  must also be true before, because otherwise we won't get past the assert

$$wpc(\text{assume } e, Q) = ??$$

if  $e$  is not true, we don't care if  $Q$  is satisfied

# Example

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Is this program correct?

```
y = 5;
if (x > 0) {
    assert x + y > 5;
} else {
    assume x == 0;
    y = y + x;
    assert x + y == 5;
}
```

What now? How do we decide if this formula is valid?

$wpc(y := 5; \text{if } \dots, T)$

$wpc(y := 5, wpc(\text{if } \dots, T))$

$wpc(y := 5, (x > 0 \wedge wpc(\text{assert } x + y > 5, T)) \vee$

$(x \leq 0 \wedge wpc(\text{assume } x = 0; y := y + x; \text{assert } x + y = 5, T)))$

$wpc(y := 5, (x > 0 \wedge x + y > 5) \vee (x \leq 0 \wedge (x = 0 \Rightarrow x + y + x = 5)))$

$(x > 0 \wedge x + 5 > 5) \vee (x \leq 0 \wedge (x = 0 \Rightarrow x + 5 + x = 5))$

# SMT-LIB

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SMT-LIB is a **language** for specifying input to SMT solvers

Basic instructions:

<code>(declare-fun x () Int)</code>	declare an integer constant x
<code>(assert (&gt; x 0))</code>	add $x > 0$ to known facts
<code>(check-sat)</code>	check if there exist an assignment that makes all known facts true
<code>(get-model)</code>	print this assignment

# SMT for verification

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We need to decide if  $wpc(prog, true)$  is valid

- for all values of program variables on entry

How do we encode this as an SMT problem?

- ask if  $\neg wpc(prog, true)$  is satisfiable
- if the answer is UNSAT, the problem is correct
- if the answer is SAT, the model gives the input values that violate correctness



# Example

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Is this formula valid?

$$(x > 0 \wedge x + 5 > 5) \vee (x \leq 0 \wedge (x = 0 \Rightarrow x + x + 5 = 5))$$

```
(declare-fun x () Int)
```

```
(assert (not (and (> x 0) (> (+ x 5) 5))))
```

```
(assert (not  
  (and (<= x 0) (or (not (= x 0)) (= (+ x (+ x 5)) 5)))))
```

```
(check-sat)
```

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