

Recap

Prove program correctness using Hoare Logic

$\{True\} \mathcal{P} \{z > 8\}$ where program \mathcal{P}

```

1   x = 1
2   y = x + 1
3   x = 5
4   z = x + 5

```

- Sequence rule.
- Assignment rule, backwards with consequence (implicitly).
- Weakest precondition (WP) and strongest postcondition (SP).

Conditionals

$$\frac{\{B \wedge P\}C_1\{Q\}, \{\neg B \wedge P\}C_2\{Q\}}{\{P\} \text{ if } B \text{ } C_1 \text{ else } C_2\{Q\}}$$

- If B is *true*, C_1 is executed;
- If B is *false* (i.e. $\neg B$), C_2 is executed;
- Both branches should end up with the same post-conditions;

What is the overall precondition?

- $P_1 : \{B \wedge P\}$, push Q up through C_1 ;
- $P_2 : \{\neg B \wedge P\}$, push Q through C_2 ;

P is $P_1 \wedge P_2$.

Conditional example

Prove $\{True\} \mathcal{P} \{z \geq y \wedge z \geq x\}$ where program \mathcal{P}

```
1   if x > y
2       z = x
3   else
4       z = y
```

if branch

$P_1 : \{B \wedge P\}$, push Q up through C_1

```

1 # {True}
2 # {x > y ∨ x ≤ y}
3   if x > y
4 #   {x > y}
5     z = x
6 #   {x > y, z > y, z = x ⇒ z ≥ y ∧ z ≥ x} Assignment, SP
7   else
8     z = y

```

else branch

$P_2 : \{\neg B \wedge P\}$, push Q through C_2

```

1 # {True}
2 # {x > y ∨ x ≤ y}
3   if x > y
4     z = x
5   else
6 #   {x ≤ y}
7     z = y
8 #   {x ≤ y, x ≤ z, z = y ⇒ z ≥ y ∧ z ≥ x} Assignment, SP

```

Finished result

Two armed conditional

```

1  # {True}
2  # {x > y ∨ x ≤ y}
3    if x > y
4  #   {x > y}
5    z = x
6  #   {x > y, z > y, z = x ⇒ z ≥ y ∧ z ≥ x} Assignment, SP
7    else
8  #   {x ≤ y}
9    z = y
10 #   {x ≤ y, x ≤ z, z = y ⇒ z ≥ y ∧ z ≥ x} Assignment, SP
11 #   {z ≥ x ∧ z ≥ y} Conditional

```

Loops

How do we prove correctness of the loop?

```

1# n is predefined
2  ...
3  result = 0
4  i = 0
5  while i <= n:
6      result = result + i
7      i = i + 1

```

Loop invariants (I)

A property of a program loop that is true before and after each iteration.

$$\frac{\{C \wedge I\} \text{body} \{I\}}{\{I\} \text{while}(C) \text{body} \{\neg C \wedge I\}}$$

Finding Loop Invariants

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General strategies for finding loop invariants (I)

- ① What is changing in each iteration: i , $result$.
- ② Think about a specific iteration: from iteration $i(0)$ to iteration $i + 1(1)$, only $result$ changed (from 0 to $0 + 1$), $result = 0 + 1 \dots + i - 1$.
- ③ What do you at the end? $i = n + 1$, the variable $result$ should contain the sum of all nature number from 0 to n .

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Initialization, maintenance, termination

$$I := result = 0 + 1 + \dots + i - 1$$

Q & A