HOARE'S LOGIC

Assignment instructions

- These are short answer questions to allow you time to read for your exams and also enough to practice and get a hint of the topic we are going to discuss.
- Avoid plagiarism as much as you can as this leads to disqualification and loss of marks.
- Remember to show your working clearly and make your solution or answer explicit.
- 1. Are the following specifications partially correct?
 - (a) $\{x=1\}y := x\{y=2\}$
 - (b) $\{x = a \land y = b\}x := y; y := x\{x = b \land y = a\}$
 - (c) $\{True\}r := x; t := 0; WHILEy \le rDO(r := r y; t := t + 1)\{r < y \land x = r + (y * t)\}$
- 2. Find the precondition assuming the statement x := x+b+1 executes and terminates in a state satisfying $(b=2) \land (x=y+b)$.
- 3. What is the suitable precondition for the code; x := x + 1; x := x * x to establish a post-condition $\{x \ge 16\}$
- 4. $\{P\}$ if $(i \leq j)$ then m := i else m := j $\{(m \leq i \land m \leq j) \land (m = i \lor m = j)\}$ What is the weakest precondition $\{P\}$
- 5. Prove partial correctness of the following program

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 \{x >= 0 \land y >= 0\} 
 a := 0; 
 b := x; 
WHILE (b \ge y) DO
 b := b - y; 
 a := a + 1 
od:
 \{x = a * y + b \land b \ge 0 \land b < y\}
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