Program Verification: Reversing an Array

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Key points to learn:

Partial correctness for array assignments

▶ Prove that a Hoare triple is satisfied under partial correctness for a program containing array assignment statements.

The array assignment inference rule

Let A be an array of n integers.

First, write down the sequence of changes.

Resolve all of the changes when we prove the implied's.

- A is the original array.
- ▶ $A\{e1 \leftarrow e2\}$ is the new array, which is identical to array A except that the $e1^{th}$ element is e2.

The array re-assignment notation

The array reassignment notation:

$$A\{e1 \leftarrow e2\}[i] = \begin{cases} e2, & \text{if } i = e1\\ A[i], & \text{if } i \neq e1 \end{cases}$$

Note that e1 is an index whereas e2 is an array element.

We apply assignments from left to right.

Examples:

- ▶ $A{1 \leftarrow 3}[1] = 3$
- ► $A\{1 \leftarrow 3\}\{1 \leftarrow 4\}[1] = 4$

Reversing an array

Consider an array R of n integers, R[1], R[2], ..., R[n].

We want to reverse the order of its elements.

Our algorithm:

For each $1 \le j \le \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$, we will swap R[j] with R[n+1-j].

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Let Inv(j) denote our invariant.

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- (C) Elements in [1,j] have been swapped, and elements in [j+1,(n+1)/2] have NOT been swapped.
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- (E) None of the above

CQ 2 Reversing an array

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CQ 4 Reversing an array

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- (A) No swap has occurred.
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CQ 5 Reversing an array

CQ 5: Consider the premise of implied (B).

- (A) No swap has occurred.
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CQ 6 Reversing an array

CQ 6: Consider the conclusion of implied (B).

- (A) No swap has occurred.
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