

# Assignment 1 CSSE3100/7100 Reasoning about Programs

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## Proof of GCD1

Pre and postcondition (1 mark): *Correct*

Your mark:

Termination metric (0.5 marks): *Correct*

Your mark:

Weakest precondition proof (4 marks) :

*Not sure about what happens from page 2-4. Correct rule application, but changed symbols to AND (which strengthened the predicate too much), and consequently proved that each branch's calculated precondition is equivalent to a condition stronger than the precondition.*

Your mark:

A sample solution is provided below. Each red asterisk (\*) represents 0.5 marks. Additionally, 0.5 marks are taken off for each wrong simplification, or unjustified non-trivial simplification.

```
method GCD1(a: int, b: int) returns (r: int)
  requires a > 0 && b > 0 *
  ensures r == gcd(a, b) *
  decreases b * // note that a % b < b
{
  { b > 0 && a > 0 && (a % b == 0 ==> b == gcd(a, b)) &&
    (a % b != 0 ==> a % b > 0 && gcd(b, a % b) == gcd(a, b)) } strengthening
  { (a < b ==> b > 0 && a > 0) &&
    (a >= b ==> (a % b == 0 ==> b == gcd(a, b)) &&
      (a % b != 0 ==> b > 0 && a % b > 0 && gcd(b, a % b) == gcd(a, b)) } *
  if a < b {
    { b > 0 && a > 0 } * rule (iii)
    { b > 0 && a > 0 && gcd(b, a) == gcd(a, b) } one-point rule
    { b > 0 && a > 0 && forall r' :: r' == gcd(b, a) ==> r' == gcd(a, b) } *
    r := GCD1(b, a);
    { r == gcd(a, b) }
  } else
  { (a % b == 0 ==> b == gcd(a, b)) &&
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    (a % b != 0 ==> b > 0 && a % b > 0 && gcd(b, a % b) == gcd(a, b)) } *
if (a % b == 0) {
    { b == gcd(a, b) } *
    r := b;
    { r == gcd(a, b) }
} else {
    { b > 0 && a % b > 0 && gcd(b, a % b) == gcd(a, b) }           one-point rule
    { b > 0 && a % b > 0 && forall r' :: r' == gcd(b, a % b) ==> r' == gcd(a, b) } *
    r := GCD1(b, a % b);
    { r == gcd(a, b) }
}
{ r == gcd(a, b) }
}

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Since  $a > 0$  and  $b > 0$ ,  $a \% b == 0$  implies  $b == \text{gcd}(a, b)$  \*, and  $a \% b != 0$  implies both  $a \% b > 0$  and  $\text{gcd}(b, a \% b) == \text{gcd}(a, b)$  by rule (iv) \*, the stated precondition of the method  $a > 0 \ \&\& \ b > 0$  implies the calculated precondition  $b > 0 \ \&\& \ a > 0 \ \&\& \ (a \% b == 0 ==> b == \text{gcd}(a, b)) \ \&\& \ (a \% b != 0 ==> a \% b > 0 \ \&\& \ \text{gcd}(b, a \% b) == \text{gcd}(a, b))$ . Therefore, Andy is correct.

## Proof of GCD2

Pre and postcondition (1 mark): *Correct*

Your mark:

Termination metric (0.5 marks): *Correct*

Your mark:

Weakest precondition proof (3 marks) :

*Strengthening of predicate from top of page 9 to bottom of page 8 is non-trivial (rule used:  $(X \ \&\& \ Y) ==> (Y \ || \ Z)$ , or  $Y \ || \ Z$  strengthens to  $X \ \&\& \ Y$ ).*

Your mark:

A sample solution is provided below. Each red asterisk (\*) represents 0.5 marks. Additionally, 0.5 marks are taken off for each wrong simplification, or unjustified non-trivial simplification.

```

method GCD2(a: int, b: int) returns (r: int)
    requires a >= 0 && b >= 0 *
    ensures r == gcd(a, b) *
    decreases b *

```

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{
  { (b == 0 ==> a == gcd(a, b)) &&
    (b != 0 ==> b >= 0 && a % b >= 0 && gcd(b, a % b) == gcd(a, b)) } *
  if b == 0 {
    { a == gcd(a, b) } *
    r := a;
    { r == gcd(a, b) }
  } else {
    { b >= 0 && a % b >= 0 && gcd(b, a % b) == gcd(a, b) }           one-point rule
    { b >= 0 && a % b >= 0 && forall r' :: r' == gcd(b, a % b) ==> r' == gcd(a, b) } *
    r := GCD2(b, a % b);
    { r == gcd(a, b) }
  }
  { r == gcd(a, b) }
}

```

Since  $a \geq 0$  and  $b \geq 0$  together with  $b = 0$  implies  $a = \text{gcd}(a, b)$  by rule (i) \*, and together with  $b \neq 0$  implies  $a \% b \geq 0$  \*, and also implies  $\text{gcd}(b, a \% b) = \text{gcd}(a, b)$  by rule (iv) \*, the stated precondition of the method  $a \geq 0 \ \&\& \ b \geq 0$  implies the calculated precondition  $(b = 0 \implies a = \text{gcd}(a, b)) \ \&\& \ (b \neq 0 \implies b \geq 0 \ \&\& \ a \% b \geq 0 \ \&\& \ \text{gcd}(b, a \% b) = \text{gcd}(a, b))$ . Therefore, Candy is also correct.

**Total mark:**

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