

Assignment 3 - Insertion Sort Using Dafny

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1 Insertion sort definition

1. In insertion sort, the base case is that the subarray of size 1 in front of the array is considered sorted by default.
2. Now, assuming subarray $(1, i)$ is sorted, we take the $(i+1)$ -th element and insert it into its correct position in the sorted subarray $(1, i)$. Either it will remain at its position or get inserted somewhere in the middle.
3. Step 2 will result in subarray $(1, i + 1)$ being sorted.
4. After having proved base case and inductive step, we can now say that eventually insertion sort will sort the whole array, the subarray $(1, arr.Length)$
5. Regarding its termination, we note that step 2 cannot take more than n steps, and if we repeat that step n times, we have a complexity of at most $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$, therefore we are guaranteed that the program terminates.
6. We shall attempt to prove this formally in below.

2 Transition System Definition

1. $S_{ins} = \langle X, X^o, U, \rightarrow, Y, h \rangle$
2. The state space of the system $X = \mathbb{Z}^{\mathbb{N}} \times \mathbb{N}$ (integer array of natural length)
3. We define a function $\rho : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow X$, which converts the input space of the problem to the state space of the system
4. $\rho(n) = (arr, 1)$ is the case for the initial state. Hence, $X^o = \rho(n) = (arr, 1)$.
5. $U = \{\text{next}\}$
6. Transition Relation:
 - $(arr, i) \xrightarrow[\text{next}]{\text{sort-pass}} (arr', i + 1)$, such that the $i+1$ -th element gets sorted in this pass. By "element gets sorted", we mean that the $i+1$ -th element gets inserted in its correct (sorted) position in the subarray from first position to $i+1$ -th position.

- (arr, n) is terminal state where $n = arr.Length$
7. We define a transition function $t : X \rightarrow X$, and t^n as the n^{th} iteration of function t , where $n \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge n > 0$ defined by $t^0 = t, t^1 = t \circ t, t^n = t \circ t \dots (n-1) \text{ times} \dots \circ t = t \circ t^{n-1}$
 8. Let X_f be the final state of the system, defined as $X_f = t^n(arr, 1)$ such that **arr** is sorted. Now t^0 corresponds to X^o , and likewise t^n corresponds to X_f . Which means $X^o \xrightarrow{*} X_f = t^n$
 9. $Y = \mathbb{Z}^{\mathbb{N}}$, as the view space of the system is equal to the output space of the problem.
 10. $h : X \rightarrow Y$, where $h : X \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^{\mathbb{N}}$

3 Insertion sort Program

```
datatype StateSpace = StateSpace(arr: array<int>, pass: int)
```

```
predicate ordered(x: int, y: int) {
  x <= y
}
```

```
predicate sorted(arr: array<int>, start: nat, end: nat)
reads arr
requires 0 <= start <= end < arr.Length
{
forall x :: start < x <= end ==> ordered(arr[x - 1], arr[x])
}
```

```
method InsertionSortStateTransition(state: StateSpace) returns (finalState: StateSpace)
modifies state.arr
requires state.arr.Length >= 1
requires state.pass == 1
ensures state.arr.Length == finalState.arr.Length
ensures sorted(finalState.arr, 0, finalState.arr.Length - 1)
ensures finalState.pass == finalState.arr.Length
{
var arr := state.arr;
var n := arr.Length;
var i := 1;
```

```

while i < n
invariant i <= arr.Length;
invariant sorted(arr, 0, i - 1)
modifies arr {
var j := i;

while j >= 1 && arr[j] < arr[j - 1]
// ensure that left and right half of
// the arrays are themselves sorted
invariant j >= 1 ==> sorted(arr, 0, j - 1)
invariant j < i ==> sorted(arr, j + 1, i)

// now that our array is split into three parts
// values to left of j, value at j, values to right of j
// establish ordering relations between them
invariant j < i ==> ordered(arr[j], arr[j + 1])
invariant 1 <= j < i ==> ordered(arr[j - 1], arr[j + 1])
modifies arr {
arr[j], arr[j - 1] := arr[j - 1], arr[j];
j := j - 1;
}

i := i + 1;
}

finalState := StateSpace(arr, arr.Length);
}

function method rho(arr: array<int>) : StateSpace {
StateSpace(arr, 1)
}

function method pi(st: StateSpace) : array<int> {
st.arr
}

method Main(){
var arr := new int[5];
arr[0], arr[1], arr[2], arr[3], arr[4] := 2, 1, 3, 4, 5;

```

```

var sts := rho(arr);
var sts2 := InsertionSortStateTransition(sts);
var sortedArr := pi(sts2);

var i := 0;

while i < sortedArr.Length {
  print sortedArr[i];
  i := i + 1;
}

assert sorted(sortedArr, 0, sortedArr.Length - 1);
}

```

4 Conditions

4.1 Pre conditions (requires)

- $\text{arr.Length} \geq 1$

4.2 Post conditions (ensures)

- $\text{initialState.arr.Length} == \text{finalState.arr.Length}$
- $\text{finalState.arr} = \text{sorted result of initialState.arr}$

5 Justification of Hoare logic

5.1 Definitions

5.1.1 `ordered(x, y)`

`ordered` is a comparator over two elements x and y , and it is true iff both the following are true:

1. they are comparable with this comparator
2. this comparator would place x before y

5.1.2 sorted(sequence)

A sequence **arr** (of length n) is sorted iff one of the following is true:

1. it is empty
2. it has one element
3. $\forall i$ such that $0 \leq i \leq n - 1$, **ordered**(**arr**[i], **arr**[$i + 1$]) holds for some transitive comparator **ordered**, as defined in 5.1.1.

5.2 Lemmas

5.2.1 Subarray sorted

If a sequence of elements $arr = (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n)$ is sorted, such that $n \geq 1$, then the sequence (a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) is also sorted with the same comparator.

Proof:

1. $\forall i$ such that $0 \leq i \leq n - 1$, **ordered**(**arr**[i], **arr**[$i + 1$]) holds for some transitive comparator **ordered**, because:
 - 5.1.2 (point 3)
2. $\forall i$ such that $0 \leq i \leq n - 2$, **ordered**(**arr**[i], **arr**[$i + 1$]) holds for same transitive comparator, because:
 - point 1 above
3. sequence of elements (a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) is sorted, because
 - 5.1.2
 - point 2 above

5.2.2 Larger subarray sorted

If a sequence of elements $arr = (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n)$ is sorted, such that $n \geq 0$, then the sequence (x, a_0, \dots, a_n) is also sorted with the same comparator, given **ordered**(**x**, **arr**[0]) for any element **x**.

Proof:

1. $\forall i$ such that $0 \leq i \leq n - 1$, **ordered**(**arr**[i], **arr**[$i + 1$]) holds for some transitive comparator **ordered**, because:

- 5.1.2

2. sequence of elements $(x, a_0, \dots a_n)$ is sorted, because

- 5.1.2
- given `ordered(x, arr[0])` holds

5.3 Notation

Notation is same as in Hoare Logic Rules PDF shared on Microsoft Teams.
We define:

1. P as the precondition
2. S as a single statement
3. Q as the loop invariant
4. n is the length of the array.

5.4 Inner loop

5.4.1 Description

Given an index j , one iteration of the inner loop moves the element at index j one step left, as long as remains unsorted. Described in detail in 1.

5.4.2 Partial correctness

We define the following terms:

1. **left array**: subarray to the left of j -th element, i.e., `arr[0..j-1]`, denoted as $a_0, \dots a_p$
2. **right array**: subarray to the right of j -th element, i.e., `arr[j+1..n-1]`, denoted as $b_0, \dots b_q$
3. P : $j \geq 1$ and the index j has an inversion (i.e., $\text{arr}[j] \leq a_p$)
4. S : swap values in array at index j and $j - 1$, and decrement j by one
5. Q : the logical and of four conditions:
 - (a) Q_1 - the left array is sorted

- (b) Q_2 - the right array is sorted
- (c) Q_3 - $\text{ordered}(a_p, b_0)$
- (d) Q_4 - $\text{ordered}(\text{arr}[j], b_0)$

We need to show that after one execution of S , the invariant continues to hold.

Let us execute one step of S . Now, the left array is a_0, \dots, a_{p-1} and right array is $a_p, b_0 \dots b_q$. And j has decremented by 1.

Now, we check all four invariant conditions:

1. Q'_1 holds because $Q_1 \Rightarrow \text{Lemma 5.2.1}$
2. Q'_2 holds, by combining Q_3 and Q_2 with Lemma 5.2.2
3. Q'_3 holds, since $\text{ordered}(a_{p-1}, a_p)$ (\because sequence a is sorted)
4. Q'_4 holds, since P

Therefore, since we have proved that $\{P \wedge Q\}S\{Q\}$ holds, hence $\{Q\}(\text{WHILE } P \text{ DO } S)\{P^c \wedge Q\}$ holds by using the **while rule for partial correctness**

5.4.3 Total correctness

To prove: total correctness ($[P \wedge Q]$), i.e., the condition does not remain true forever if we execute statement S .

Proof by contradiction

Assumption: P remains true forever.

Proof:

1. S will execute forever, because:
 - assumption
 - Q remains true since it is loop invariant
 - above two points imply $P \wedge Q$ always true, which is the entry condition for S
2. j will decrease forever, because:
 - S will execute forever, by point 1 above
 - every execution of S decreases j by one

3. $j \geq 1$ holds forever, because:

- splitting up assumption

Contradiction: both point 2 and 3 cannot hold since j is a finite integer.

Conclusion: false assumption, P does not remain true forever. Hence, we conclude that $[Q](\text{WHILE } P \text{ DO } S)[P^c \wedge Q]$ holds considering $[P \wedge Q]S[Q]$, given by **while rule for total correctness**.

5.5 Outer loop

5.5.1 Description

One iteration of the outer loop increases the size of the sorted subarray, from $(0, p)$ to $(0, p + 1)$, where p is the pass number.

5.5.2 Partial correctness

We define the following terms:

1. P : $i < n$
2. S : execute the inner loop, setting $j = i$, and then increment i by one
3. Q : the logical and of two conditions:
 - (a) Q_1 - $i \leq n$
 - (b) Q_2 - the sequence $(\text{arr}[0], \dots, \text{arr}[i - 1])$ is sorted

We need to show that after one execution of S , the invariant continues to hold.

Let us execute one step of S .

Now, we check the two invariant conditions:

1. Q'_1 holds, since $i < n$ before execution of S (guaranteed by P), and one step of S increases i by only one.
2. Q'_2 holds, since even when i is increased by one, execution of S guarantees that the subarray $(0, i)$ remains sorted (proved in earlier section).

Therefore, since we have proved that $\{P \wedge Q\}S\{Q\}$ holds, hence $\{Q\}(\text{WHILE } P \text{ DO } S)\{P^c \wedge Q\}$ holds by using the **while rule for partial correctness**

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1. S will execute forever, because:
 - assumption
 - Q remains true since it is loop invariant
 - above two points imply $P \wedge Q$ always true, which is the entry condition for S
2. i will increase forever, because:
 - S will execute forever, by point 1 above
 - every execution of S increases i by one
3. $i < n$ holds forever, because:
 - splitting up assumption

Contradiction: both point 2 and 3 cannot hold since n is a finite integer.

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