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INTRODUCTION

- Since finding the exact wp or sp for while-loops is difficult, we will use an over-approximation in the form of an inductive invariant which preserves soundness.
  - Much of the rest of the course (and majority of research in verification) deals with how to handle the verification problem for loops/loop-like constructs.
- Hoare Logic is a program logic/verification strategy which can be directly used to prove the validity of Hoare Triples.
  - Also provides a framework for specifying and verifying Inductive Loop Invariants.

DEFINITION

- Given sets of states P and Q, a program c satisfies the specification $\{P\}\mathsf{c}\{Q\}$ if:
  - $\forall \sigma, \sigma' \,.\, \sigma \in P \wedge (\sigma, \mathsf{c}) \hookrightarrow^* (\sigma', \mathsf{skip}) \Rightarrow \sigma' \in Q$
- Using FOL formulae P and Q to express sets of states, we can now use the symbolic semantics $\rho(\mathsf{c})$:
  - $\forall V, V' \,.\, P \wedge \rho(\mathsf{c}) \rightarrow Q[V'/V]$
- Hoare Logic is a program logic/proof system to directly prove the validity of Hoare Triples.
- We will study it in two forms:
  - A set of inference rules
  - A procedure to generate verification conditions (VCs) in FOL

RELATION WITH WP AND SP

- How are Hoare Triples, Weakest Pre-condition and Strongest Post-condition related with each other?
  - $\{wp(P, \mathsf{c})\}\ \mathsf{c}\ \{P\}$
  - $\{P\}\ \mathsf{c}\ \{sp(P, \mathsf{c})\}$
- Homework: Prove this formally using the definitions!

INFERENCE RULES

FORMAT

PREMISES → $\{P_1\}S_1\{Q_1\} \quad \{P_2\}S_2\{Q_2\} \quad \dots \quad \{P_n\}S_n\{Q_n\}$

CONCLUSION → $\{P\}S\{Q\}$

Key Idea: Use the validity of Hoare triples for smaller statements to establish validity for compound statements

INFERENCE RULES

PRIMITIVE STATEMENTS

$$\frac{}{\{P[e/x]\}\ x := e\ \{P\}}\ \text{[R-ASSIGN]}$$

$$\frac{}{\{\forall x\,.\,P\}\ x := \text{havoc}\ \{P\}}\ \text{[R-HAVOC]}$$

$$\frac{}{\{Q \to P\}\ \text{assume}(Q)\ \{P\}}\ \text{[R-ASSUME]}$$

$$\frac{}{\{Q \wedge P\}\ \text{assert}(Q)\ \{P\}}\ \text{[R-ASSERT]}$$

EXAMPLES

- Which of the following are true?
  - $\{y = 10\}$ x := 10 $\{y = x\}$
  - $\{x = n - 1\}$ x := x + 1 $\{x = n\}$
  - $\{y = x\}$ y := 2 $\{y = x\}$
  - $\{z = 10\}$ y := 2 $\{z = 10\}$
  - $\{y = 10\}$ y := x $\{y = x\}$
- The last Hoare triple is valid, but we cannot prove it using [R-ASSIGN].
  - According to [R-ASSIGN], we have $\{y = x[x/y]\}$ y := x $\{y = x\}$. Hence, $\{x = x\}$ y := x $\{y = x\}$, which simplifies to $\{ \top \}$ y := x $\{y = x\}$.
  - Notice that $y = 10 \Rightarrow \top$.

PRE-CONDITION STRENGTHENING

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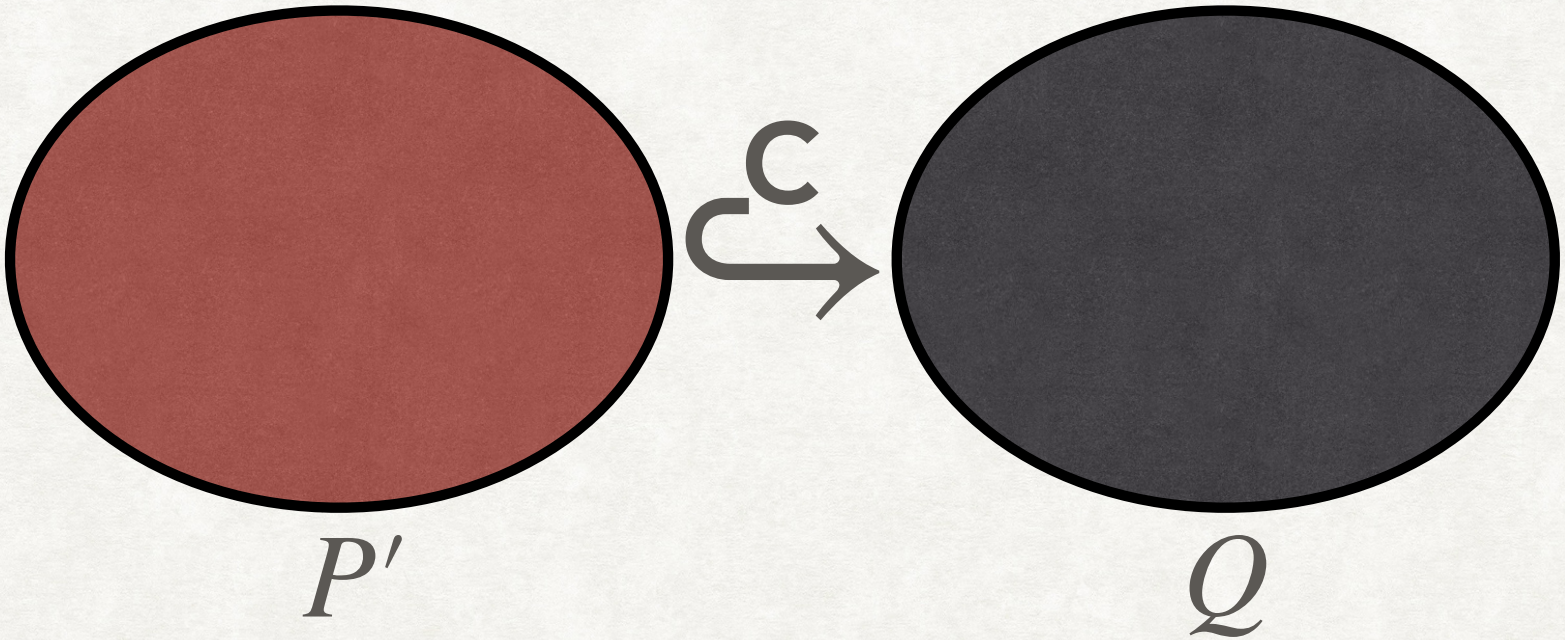

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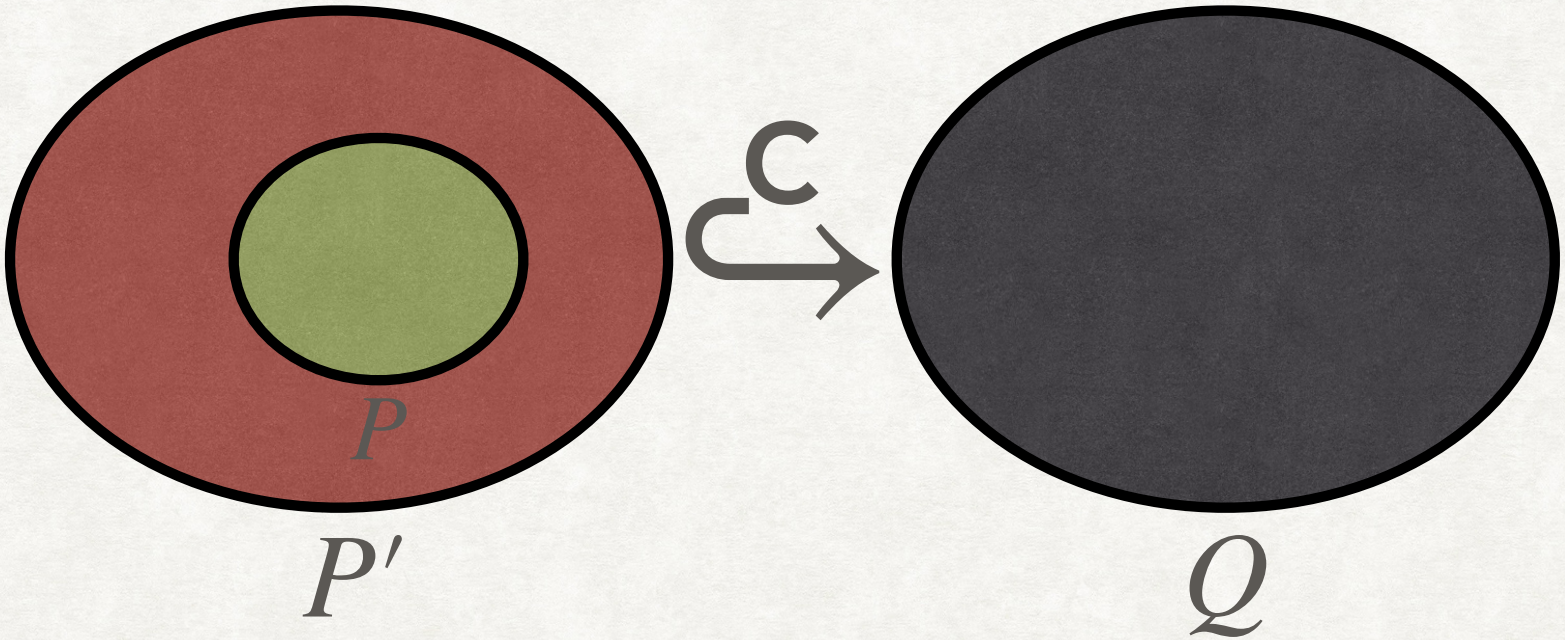

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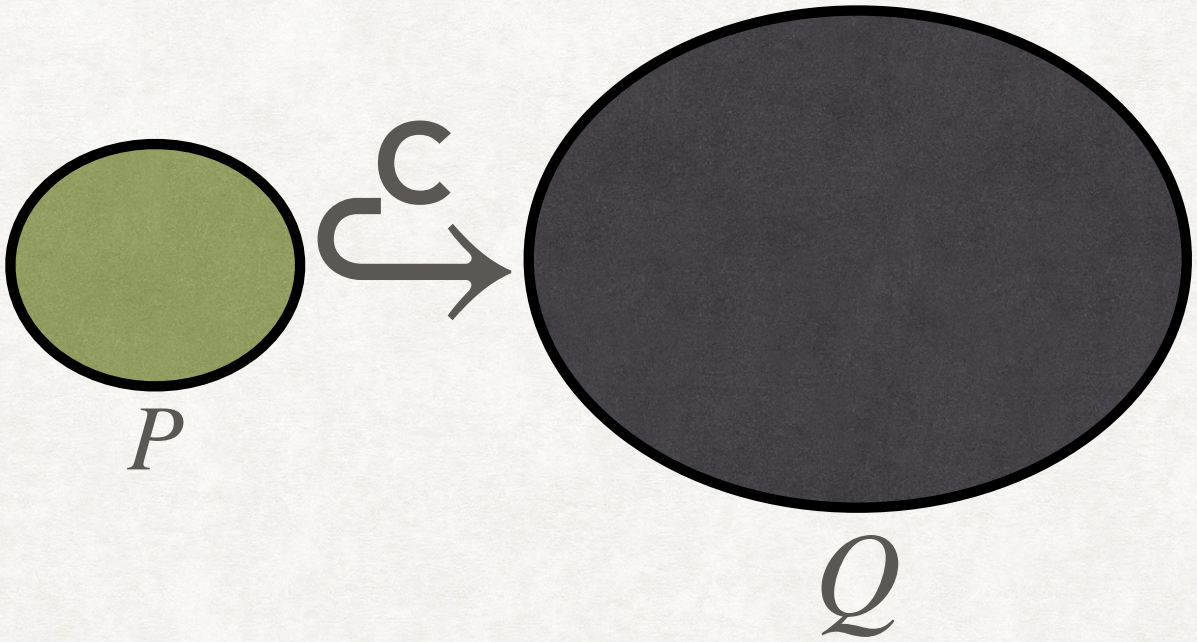

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POST-CONDITION WEAKENING

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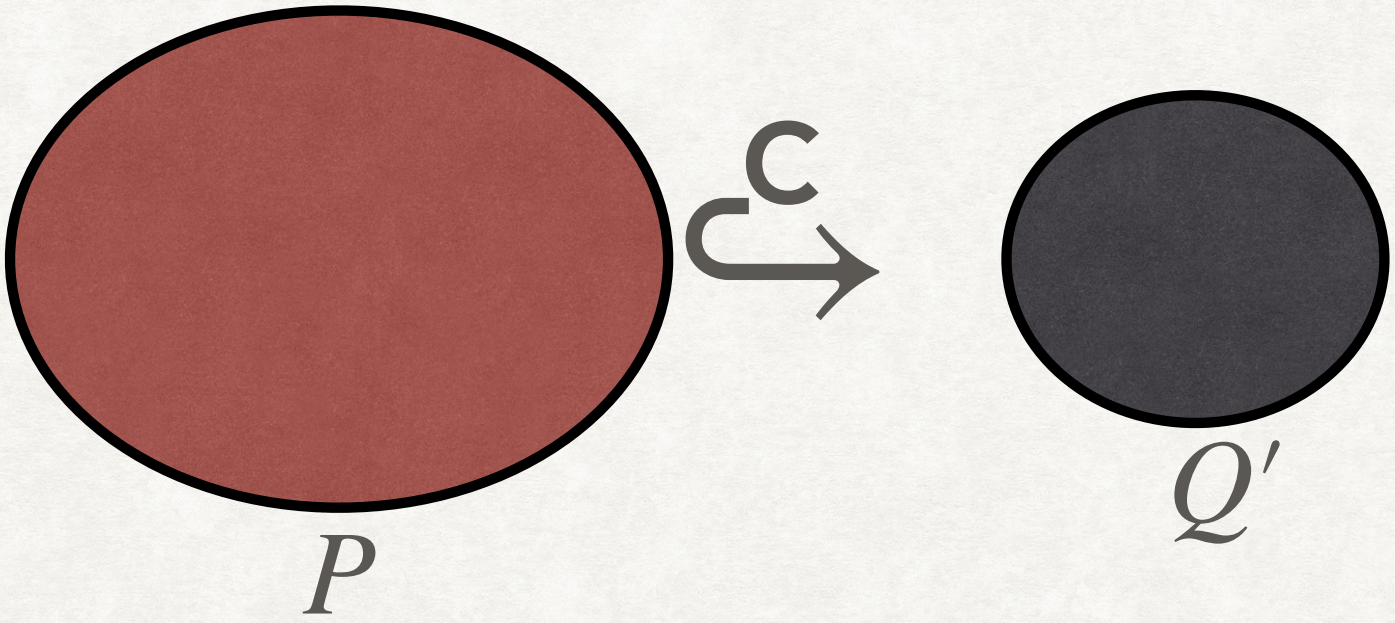

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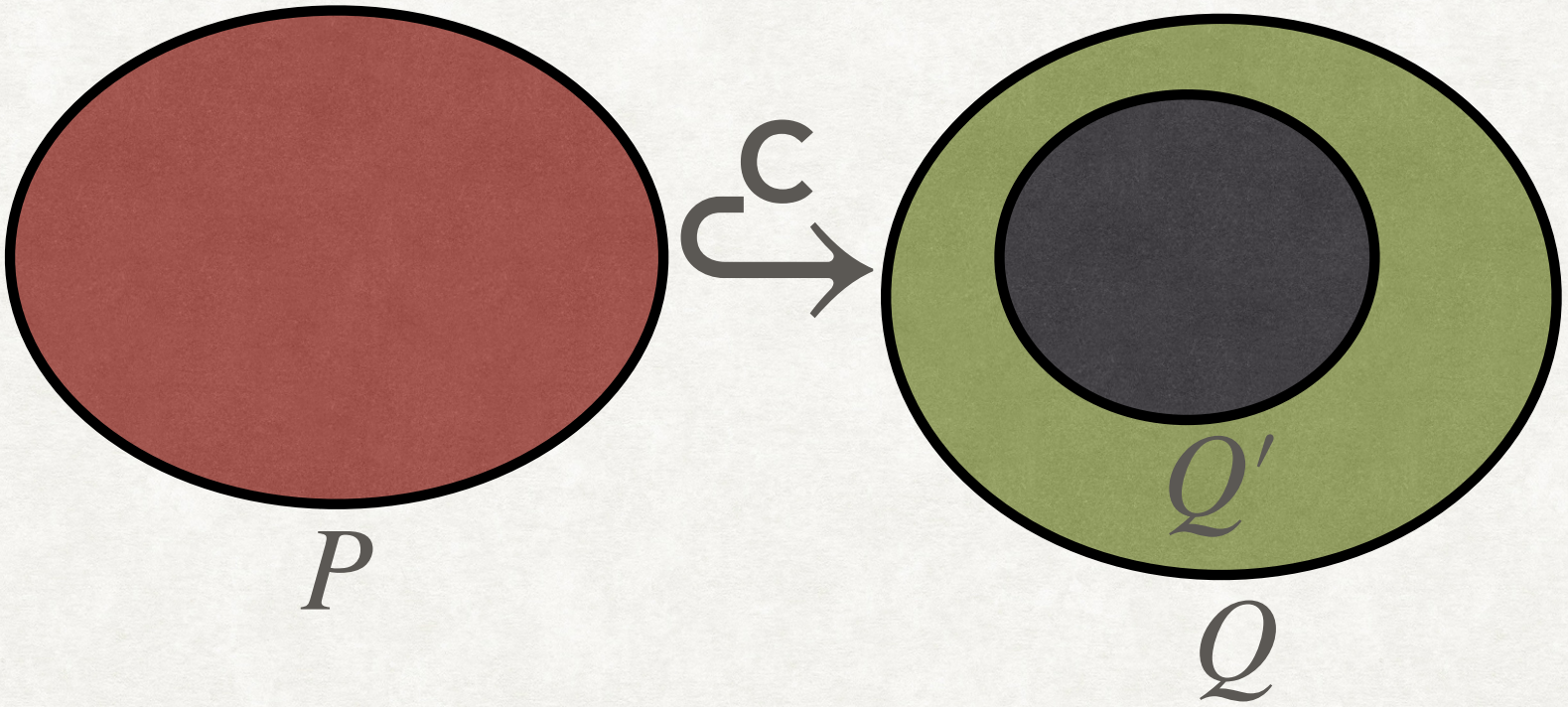

INFERENCE RULES

COMPOUND STATEMENTS

$$\frac{\{P\}\ \mathsf{c}_1\ \{R\} \qquad \{R\}\ \mathsf{c}_2\ \{Q\}}{\{P\}\ \mathsf{c}_1; \mathsf{c}_2\ \{Q\}}$$

[R-SEQ]

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[R-SEQ]

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[R-IF-THEN-ELSE]

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[R-IF-THEN-ELSE]

Prove This!

SEQUENCING

EXAMPLE

$$\frac{\{P\}\ \mathsf{c}_1\ \{R\} \qquad \{R\}\ \mathsf{c}_2\ \{Q\}}{\{P\}\ \mathsf{c}_1; \mathsf{c}_2\ \{Q\}}\ \text{[R-SEQ]}$$

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$$\frac{}{\{true\}\ \text{if (x > 0) then y := x else y := -x}\{y \geq 0\}}$$

IF-THEN-ELSE

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$$\frac{\dfrac{\dfrac{}{\{x \geq 0\}\ y := x\ \{y \geq 0\}} \qquad x > 0 \Rightarrow x \geq 0}{\{x > 0\}\ y := x\ \{y \geq 0\}} \qquad \dfrac{}{\{x \leq 0\}\ y := -x\ \{y \geq 0\}}}{\{true\}\ \text{if}\ (x > 0)\ \text{then}\ y := x\ \text{else}\ y := -x\{y \geq 0\}}$$

WHILE LOOPS

LOOP INVARIANTS

- Our goal is to prove the validity of $\{P\}$ while(G) do c $\{Q\}$
  - Both sp and wp lead to non-terminating procedures.
- We will instead assume a loop invariant I which is an over-approximation of the states possible during execution of the loop, but is sufficient enough to prove the Hoare Triple.
  - I is assumed to be provided by the programmer.
- Hoare Logic provides inference rules to prove that I is indeed a loop invariant.

WHILE LOOPS

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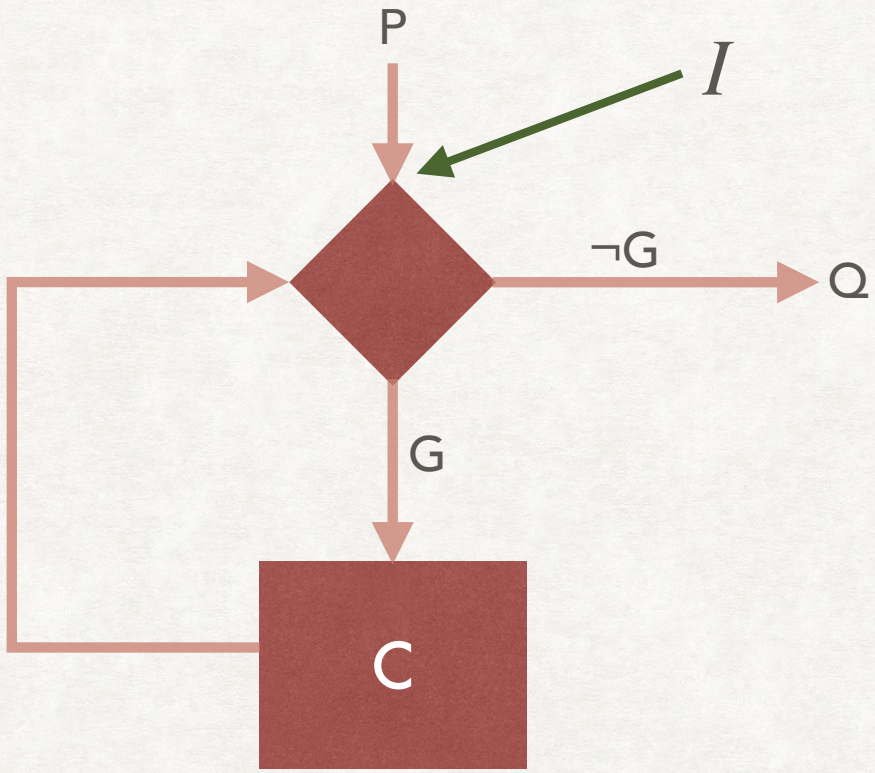

- *I* needs to satisfy three properties:
  - *I* must hold initially at the start of the loop.
  - *I* must hold at the end of every iteration of the loop.
  - After exiting from the loop, *I* must imply the post-condition.

WHILE LOOPS

LOOP INVARIANTS

- Consider the code
  - `i:=0; j:=0; while(i<n) do i:=i+1; j:=i+j;`
- Which of the following are loop invariants?
  - $i \leq n$
  - $i < n$
  - $i \geq 0$

WHILE LOOP

INFERENCE RULE

$$\frac{\{I \wedge F\}\ \text{c}\ \{I\}}{\{I\}\ \text{while(F) do c;}\ \{I \wedge \neg F\}}$$

[R-WHILE-1]

WHILE LOOP

INFERENCE RULE

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$$\frac{P \Rightarrow I \qquad \{I \wedge F\}\ \mathsf{c}\ \{I\} \qquad I \wedge \neg F \Rightarrow Q}{\{P\}\ \text{while(F) do c;}\ \{Q\}}\ \text{[R-WHILE-2]}$$

WHILE LOOP

INFERENCE RULE - EXAMPLE

Prove $\{i = 0 \land n > 0\}$ while(i < n) do i := i+1; $\{i = n\}$

Loop Invariants: $i \geq 0$, $i \leq n$, $n > 0 \ldots$

Which loop invariant is useful for proving the Hoare Triple?

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LOOP INVARIANT VS INDUCTIVE LOOP INVARIANT

- Consider again the code
  - `i:=0; j:=0; while(i<n) do i:=i+1; j:=i+j;`
- Is $j \geq 0$ a loop invariant?
  - Yes, it does hold at the beginning and at the end of every iteration.
- Does $\{j \geq 0 \wedge i < n\}$i:=i+1; j:=i+j;$\{j \geq 0\}$ hold?
  - NO! $j \geq 0$ is not an inductive loop invariant.
  - The inference rule admits only inductive loop invariants.
- How to strengthen the invariant to make it inductive?
  - $j \geq 0 \wedge i \geq 0$ is an inductive loop invariant.

COMPLETE EXAMPLE

$\{n > 0\}$

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i := 0;
j := 0;
while(i < n) do
    i := i + 1;
    j := i + j;
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[R-WEAKEN-POST]

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$\{P[e/x]\}\ x := e\ \{P\}$

[R-ASSIGN]

$(2j = i(i+1) \wedge i \leq n)[i + j/j]$

$\equiv 2(i + j) = i(i+1) \wedge i \leq n$

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[R-ASSIGN]

$(2i + 2j = i(i+1) \wedge i \leq n)[(i+1)/i]$

$\equiv 2(i+1) + 2j = (i+1)(i+2) \wedge i + 1 \leq n$

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[R-ASSIGN]

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[R-STRENGTHEN-PRE]

SOUNDNESS AND COMPLETENESS

- All the inference rules together provide a procedure for establishing a Hoare triple $\{P\}c\{Q\}$.
- Soundness: If we can establish $\{P\}c\{Q\}$ using the inference rules, then is $\{P\}c\{Q\}$ a valid Hoare Triple?
  - Yes.
- Completeness: If $\{P\}c\{Q\}$ is a valid Hoare Triple, then can we always use the inference rules to establish it?
  - Relatively Complete.
  - If the underlying FOL theory is complete, then Hoare Logic is complete.

HOARE LOGIC

VERIFICATION CONDITION GENERATION

- We have already seen that the weakest pre-condition operator can be used to prove Hoare Triples:
  - $\{P\}c\{Q\}$ iff $P \Rightarrow wp(Q, c)$
- Finding exact wp for loops is hard. We will instead use the loop invariant as an approximate wp.
  - $awp(Q, \text{while(F)@I do c}) = \text{I}$
  - Does this always hold?
- Also need to show that following side-conditions hold:
  - $\{\text{I} \wedge \text{F}\}\text{c}\{\text{I}\}$
  - $\text{I} \wedge \neg\text{F} \Rightarrow Q$

RELATION BETWEEN AWP AND WP

- Let us formally define awp:
  - $\forall \sigma \in awp(Q, c) \,.\, \forall \sigma' \,.\, (\sigma, c) \hookrightarrow^* (\sigma', skip) \rightarrow \sigma' \in Q$
  - Homework: Prove that this holds for $awp(Q, \text{while(F)@I do c}) = \text{I}$, when the side-conditions hold.
- We defined $wp(Q, c) \triangleq \{\sigma \mid \forall \sigma' \,.\, (\sigma, c) \hookrightarrow^* (\sigma', \text{skip}) \rightarrow \sigma' \in Q\}$
  - $awp(Q, c) \subseteq wp(Q, c)$
- We can then use awp for verifying the validity of Hoare Triples:
  - If $P \Rightarrow awp(Q, c)$ then $\{P\}c\{Q\}$.

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- We define $VC(Q, c)$ to collect the side-conditions needed for verifying that Q holds after execution of c.
- For while(F)@I do c, there are two side-conditions:
  - $\{I \wedge F\}c\{I\}$
  - $I \wedge \neg F \Rightarrow Q$
- $\{I \wedge F\}c\{I\}$ is valid if $I \wedge F \Rightarrow awp(I, c)$.
  - c may contain loops, so we also need to consider $VC(I, c)$.
- Hence,
  $VC(Q, \text{while(F)@I do c}) \triangleq (I \wedge \neg F \Rightarrow Q) \wedge (I \wedge F \Rightarrow awp(I, c)) \wedge VC(I, c)$

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- $VC(Q, \text{x:=e}) \triangleq \top$
  - Also defined as $\top$ for all primitive program commands (assert, assume, havoc).
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- $VC(Q, \text{x:=e}) \triangleq true$
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VC GENERATION - III

- $awp(Q, c) \triangleq wp(Q, c)$ except for while loops, for which $awp(Q,$ while(F)@I do c) $=$ I.
- Putting it all together, $\{P\}c\{Q\}$ is valid if the following FOL formula is valid:
  - $(P \rightarrow awp(Q, c)) \wedge VC(Q, c)$

RELATION BETWEEN AWP AND HOARE TRIPLES

- What is the relation between $awp(Q, c)$ and validity of the Hoare Triple $\{P\}c\{Q\}$?
  - Is it possible that $P \rightarrow awp(Q, c)$ is valid and $\{P\}c\{Q\}$ is not valid?
  - Is it possible that $\{P\}c\{Q\}$ is valid and $\neg(P \rightarrow awp(Q, c))$ is satisfiable?
  - How about $\neg(P \rightarrow wp(Q, c))$?

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VC GENERATION

SOUNDNESS AND COMPLETENESS

- Is the VC generation procedure sound?
  - Yes. Prove this!
- Is the VC generation procedure complete?
  - No. It is not even relatively complete.
  - The annotated loop invariant may not be strong enough.
- Can the VC generation procedure be fully automated?
  - Yes. Whole point of the exercise!

EXAMPLE

$\{ \top \}$

```
i := 1;
sum := 0;
while(i <= n) do
    j := 1;
    while(j <= i) do
        sum := sum + j; j := j + 1;
    i := i + 1;
```

$\{sum \geq 0\}$

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{ ⊤ }
i := 1;
sum := 0;
while(i <= n)@(sum ≥ 0) do
    j := 1;
    while(j <= i)@(sum ≥ 0 ∧ j ≥ 0) do
        sum := sum + j; j := j + 1;
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- Final Formula:
  - $\top \rightarrow 0 \geq 0 \wedge VC(sum \geq 0,$outer loop$)$