

## Question 2

(a)

LoopInv:  $(j \leq N + 1) \wedge (S = 2j(j - 1)(2(j - 1) + 1))$

**Proof: That LoopInv is a loop invariant**

- (1) Let  $N \geq 1$  be arbitrary. Assume that pre is true in line 1. Let  $P(n)$  be the predicate “if the loop condition is being checked for the  $n$ -th time, then LoopInv is true.” We will prove  $\forall n \geq 1, P(n)$ .
- (2) Base Case:  $n = 1$ . After line 2 executes  $j$  has value 1, and after line 3 executes  $S$  has value 0. Thus,  $j_1 = 1$  and  $S_1 = 0$  when line 5 is reached for the first time.
- (3) By the precondition  $N \geq 1$ , which implies  $j_1 \leq N + 1$ . Further,  $S_1 = 0$  and  $2j_n(j_n - 1)(2(j_n - 1) + 1) = 2(1)(0)(2(0) + 1) = 0$ . So,

$$S_1 = 2j_1(j_1 - 1)(2(j_1 - 1) + 1)$$

This proves that LoopInv is true when line 5 is reached for the first time, i.e:  $P(1)$  is true.

- (4) Induction Step: Let  $n > 1$  be arbitrary and assume  $P(n)$ . That is, assume  $j_n \leq N + 1$  and  $S_n = 2j_n(j_n - 1)(2(j_n - 1) + 1)$ . We will prove  $P(n+1)$ , that is,

$$j_{n+1} \leq N + 1 \wedge S_{n+1} = 2j_{n+1}(j_{n+1} - 1)(2(j_{n+1} - 1) + 1)$$

- (5) Suppose the loop condition is being checked for the  $n+1$ st time. Then it was previously checked for the  $n$ -th time and evaluated to true. Thus  $j_n \leq N$ . Further, by the inductive hypothesis, LoopInv was true when the loop condition was checked for the  $n$ -th time, so  $S_n = 2j_n(j_n - 1)(2(j_n - 1) + 1)$ .
- (6) Within the while-loop, the only line that changes the value of  $j$  is line 7, which increments it by 1. So,  $j_{n+1} = j_n + 1$ . From (5),  $j_n \leq N$ , so,  $j_{n+1} = j_n + 1 \leq N + 1$ .
- (7) Within the while-loop, line 6 is the only line that changes the value of  $S$ , which increases it by  $3(2j)(2j) = 12j^2$ . From (6),  $j_n = j_{n+1} - 1$ . So,

$$S_{n+1} = S_n + 12j_n^2$$

$$= 2j_n(j_n - 1)(2(j_n - 1) + 1) + 12j_n^2 \quad \text{by I.H.}$$

$$= 2(j_{n+1} - 1)((j_{n+1} - 1) - 1)(2((j_{n+1} - 1) - 1) + 1) + 12(j_{n+1} - 1)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 2(j_{n+1} - 1)(j_{n+1} - 2)(2j_{n+1} - 3) + 12(j_{n+1}^2 - 2j_{n+1} + 1) \\
&= (2j_{n+1} - 2)(2j_{n+1}^2 - 4j_{n+1} - 3j_{n+1} + 6) + 12(j_{n+1}^2 - 2j_{n+1} + 1) \\
&= 4j_{n+1}^3 - 4j_{n+1}^2 - 14j_{n+1}^2 + 14j_{n+1} + 12j_{n+1} - 12 + 12j_{n+1}^2 - 24j_{n+1} + 12 \\
&= 4j_{n+1}^3 - 6j_{n+1}^2 + 2j_{n+1} \\
&= 2j_{n+1}(2j_{n+1}^2 - 3j_{n+1} + 1) \\
&= 2j_{n+1}(2j_{n+1}^2 - 2j_{n+1} - 1j_{n+1} + 1) \\
&= 2j_{n+1}(2j_{n+1}(j_{n+1} - 1) - 1(j_{n+1} - 1)) \\
&= 2j_{n+1}(2j_{n+1} - 1)(j_{n+1} - 1) \\
&= 2j_{n+1}(j_{n+1} - 1)(2(j_{n+1} - 1) + 1)
\end{aligned}$$

as needed. Thus,  $P(n) \implies P(n+1)$ .

- (8) By (6) and (7),  $P(1) \wedge (P(n) \implies P(n+1))$ , so, by induction, LoopInv is a loop invariant, specifically stating that

$$(j \leq N + 1) \wedge (S = 2j(j - 1)(2(j - 1) + 1))$$

(b)

**Proof: That the program is partially correct**

- (1) Assume that LoopInv is a loop invariant and that line 8 is reached. We will show that post is true when line 8 is reached.
- (2) Since line 8 was reached, the loop condition was checked for a final time and it evaluated to false. So,  $j > N \implies j \geq N + 1$  when line 8 is reached. Since LoopInv is a loop invariant, it was true when this final check occurred, so  $(j \leq N + 1) \wedge (S = 2j(j - 1)(2(j - 1) + 1))$  when line 8 is reached.

(3) Since  $j \geq N + 1$  and  $j \leq N + 1$ , it must be true that  $j = N + 1$ . Now,

$$S = 2j(j - 1)(2(j - 1) + 1)$$

$$= 2(N + 1)(N + 1 - 1)(2(N + 1 - 1) + 1)$$

$$= 2N(N + 1)(2N + 1)$$

$$= (2N^2 + 2N)(2N + 1)$$

$$= 4N^3 + 4N^2 + 2N^2 + 2N$$

$$= 4N^3 + 6N^2 + 2N$$

proving that the post condition is true. Thus, the program is partially correct.