

Homework 2

Problem 2.1

Solution:

- a) Translate the C function into Hoare language constructs and define the precondition and the postcondition of the function $exp()$

precondition $\{ (n \geq 0) \}$

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1: K := n
2: P := x
3: Y := 1
4: WHILE (K > 0) DO
5:   IF (K % 2 = 0) THEN
6:     P := P * P
7:     K := K / 2
8:   ELSE
9:     Y := Y * P
10:    K := K - 1
11:  FI
12: OD
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postcondition $\{ y = x^n \}$

- b) Add annotations for partial correctness

precondition $\{ (n \geq 0) \}$

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1: K := n
2: P := x
3: Y := 1
    $\{ (K = n) \wedge (P = x) \wedge (Y = 1) \}$ 
4: WHILE (K > 0) DO
    $\{ (Y * exp(P, K) == exp(x, n)) \}$ 
5:   IF (K % 2 = 0) THEN
6:     P := P * P
7:     K := K / 2
8:   ELSE
9:     Y := Y * P
10:    K := K - 1
11:  FI
12: OD
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postcondition $\{ Y * exp(P, K) == exp(x, n) \}$

- c) Derive verification conditions for partial correctness

$(n \geq 0) \rightarrow ((K = n) \wedge (P = x) \wedge (Y = 1))$
 $((K = n) \wedge (P = x) \wedge (Y = 1)) \rightarrow (Y * exp(P, K) == exp(x, n))$
 $(Y * exp(P, K) == exp(x, n)) \wedge (K > 0) \wedge (K \% 2 == 0) \rightarrow (Y * exp(P, K) == exp(x, n))$
 $(Y * exp(P, K) == exp(x, n)) \wedge (K > 0) \wedge (K \% 2 != 0) \rightarrow (Y * exp(P, K) == exp(x, n))$

d) **Prove the partial correctness verification conditions**

$\{n \geq 0\} K = n; P = x; Y = 1 \{ (K = n) \wedge (P = x) \wedge (Y = 1) \}$

Substitution method

$\{ (n \geq 0) \} \{ (n = (n \wedge x) = (x \wedge 1) = 1) \}$

$(n \geq 0) \rightarrow (T \wedge T \wedge T)$ Tautology method

$(n \geq 0) \rightarrow (T)$

$\{ (Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n)) \wedge (K > 0) \wedge (K \% 2 == 0) \} P = P * P, K = K / 2 \{ Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n) \}$

Substitution method

$\{ (Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n)) \wedge (K > 0) \wedge (K \% 2 == 0) \} \{ Y * \exp(P^2, K/2) == \exp(x, n) \}$

$((Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n)) \wedge (K > 0) \wedge (K \% 2 == 0)) \rightarrow (Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n))$

The following is holding true by implication, given that the loop invariant is true.

$\{ (Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n)) \wedge (K > 0) \wedge (K \% 2 \neq 0) \} Y = Y * P; K = K - 1 \{ Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n) \}$

$\{ (Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n)) \wedge (K > 0) \wedge (K \% 2 \neq 0) \} \{ Y * P * \exp(P, K - 1) == \exp(x, n) \}$

Multiplicative identity.

$((Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n)) \wedge (K > 0) \wedge (K \% 2 \neq 0)) \rightarrow (Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n))$

The following is holding true by implication, given that the loop invariant is true.

e) **Add additional annotations for total correctness**

precondition $\{ n \geq 0 \}$

$\{ (K = n) \wedge (P = x) \wedge (Y = 1) \}$

1: K := n

2: P := x

3: Y := 1

4: WHILE (K > 0) DO

$\{ (Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n)) \wedge (((K \% 2 = 0) \vee (K \% 2 \neq 0)) \wedge (K \geq 0)) \}$

5: IF (K % 2 = 0) THEN

6: P := P * P

7: K := K / 2

8: ELSE

9: Y := Y * P

10: K := K - 1

11: FI

12: OD

postcondition $\{ Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n) \wedge (K \geq 0) \}$

f) **Derive or update verification conditions for total correctness**

$(n \geq 0) \rightarrow ((K = n) \wedge (P = x) \wedge (Y = 1))$

$((K = n) \wedge (P = x) \wedge (Y = 1)) \rightarrow (Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n) \wedge (K > 0))$

$(Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n)) \rightarrow ((K \% 2 == 0) \vee (K \% 2 \neq 0))$

$(K \% 2 == 0) \rightarrow (Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n) \wedge (K \geq 0))$

$(K \% 2 \neq 0) \rightarrow (Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n) \wedge (K \geq 0))$

g) **Prove the total correctness verification conditions**

$\{ ((Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n)) \wedge ((K \% 2 == 0) \vee (K \% 2 \neq 0) \wedge (K > 0))) \} \{ (Y * \exp(P, K) == \exp(x, n)) \}$

1. The loop terminates.

2. For the program to terminate, K must be less than 0 at some point in time. And since K is decreasing with each step the program is going to terminate.

K decreases in the following two ways:

1) If K is even, then K gets divided by half. .

2) If K is odd, then K gets decremented by 1, which is quite obviously decreasing.