# Lab 3 - Program Verification Prepared by : Ms. K.P. Jevitha

# **Concepts:**

• Weakest Preconditions

# **Tools Required:**

• Alt-Ergo Theorem Prover

Available online: https://alt-ergo.ocamlpro.com/try.html

#### **Instructions:**

- 1. Every question provides 3 components:
  - a. Input condition I
  - b. Statement S
  - c. Post-condition O
- 2. Steps to solve:
  - a. Manually derive the weakest precondition for the given statement S wp(S,O)
  - b. For the given input condition I, using Alt-Ergo tool find whether  $I \Rightarrow wp(S,O)$
- 3. If  $I \Rightarrow wp(S,O)$  is valid, provide the explanation

### **Summary:**

- To prove that a program P is correct with respect to its **contract** which is stated as a **pre-condition I** and **post-condition O**.
- The Weakest Precondition of a **statement S** w.r.t. a **post-condition O** is written as **wp(S, O)**.
- If the **input condition** for program P is I, then we want the following theorem to be true:

$$I => wp(S, O)$$

- Weakest Preconditions to be done for the following code constructs:
  - Assignment Statement S: wp(S, O)
    - $wp (x = expr, O) = O [x \leftarrow expr]$  (replace all occurrences of x in O by expr.)
  - Sequence of Statements S1;S2; : wp(S1; S2, O).
    - wp(S1;S2;, O) = wp(S1, wp(S2,O))

# **Sequence of Statements:**

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Eg:
x = 2*y;
y = 5 + z + x;
O: y > 0
S1: x = 2*y;
S2: y = 5+z +x;
wp(S1;S2;, O) = wp(S1, wp(S2,O))
wp(S2,O):
y=5+z
\Rightarrow y > 0 \{y = 5 + z + x\}
=>5+z+x>0
wp(S1, wp(S2,O))
=> wp(x=2*y, 5+z+x>0)
=> 5+z+x>0 \{x=2*y\}
=> 5 + z + 2*y > 0
Required WP is 5+z+2*y > 0
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# **Worked Exercise - 1 (Assignment Expressions)**

1)

- a) Given S: x = y+1, O: x > 0, derive the weakest precondition wp(S,O).
- b) For the input conditions I given below, check whether  $I \Rightarrow wp(S,O)$  in alt-ergo
  - i) I: y > 0
  - ii) I: y = 0
  - iii) I: y < 0
  - iv) I: y = 100000
  - v) I: x = 0
  - vi) I: x < 0
  - vii) I: x > 0

#### **Solution:**

### **Weakest Precondition Derivation:**

Given:

O: x>0

y+1>0

z+2+1>0

S : x = y + 1

O: x > 0

Weakest precondition for assignment:  $wp (x = expr, 0) = 0 [x \leftarrow expr]$ 

$$wp(x = y+1, x>0)$$

$$=> v + 1 > 0$$

Hence, the weakest precondition for the given statement S and post condition O is wp(S,O) = y+1 > 0.

- (i) I: y > 0
  - a. Alt-ergo:

goal a:

for all x,y: int.  $y > 0 \rightarrow y + 1 > 0$ 

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goal a:
    forall x,y: int.
        y > 0 ->
        y +1 > 0

# [answer] Valid (0.0220 seconds) (2 steps)
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# b. Explanation based on Set Theory:

$$Y > 0 \rightarrow \{1,2,3...\}$$
 - smaller set (A)

$$Y > -1 \rightarrow \{0,1,2,3...\}$$
 - larger set (B)

The set y>0 is contained in set y>-1. Hence valid

# (ii) I: y = 0

# a. Alt-ergo:

goal a:

forall x,y: int.

$$y = 0 - y + 1 > 0$$

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goal a:
    forall x,y : int.
    y = 0 -> y +1 > 0

# [answer] Valid (0.0310 seconds) (2 steps)
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# b. Explanation based on Set Theory:

$$Y = 0 \rightarrow \{0\}$$
 - smaller set (A)

$$Y > -1 \rightarrow \{0,1,2,3...\}$$
 - larger set (B)

The set y>0 is contained in set y>-1. Hence valid.

# (iii) I: y < 0

### a. Alt-Ergo:

goal a:

forall x,y: int.

$$y < 0 - y + 1 > 0$$

### b. Set Theory Explanation:

$$Y < 0 \rightarrow \{-1,-2,...\}$$

$$Y > -1 \rightarrow \{0,1,2,3...\}$$

Since the sets are not comparable, it is not valid.

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(vi) I : x < 0
goal a:
forall x,y : int.
x<0 -> y+1 > 0
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goal a:
    forall x,y : int.
        x<0 -> y +1 > 0

# [answer] unknown (0.0330 seconds) (3 steps)
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# **Set Theory Explanation:**

 $X < 0 \rightarrow X = \{-1,-2,...\}$ , when only x is known in the input condition, we cannot tell anything about the value of Y.

$$Y > -1 \rightarrow Y = \{0,1,2,3...\}$$

Since the sets are not comparable, it is not valid.

# Lab Exercises to be completed

1)

- a) Given S: x = y+1, O: x < 10, derive the weakest precondition wp(S,O).
- b) For the input conditions I given below, check whether  $I \Rightarrow wp(S,O)$  in alt-ergo and provide the explanations as shown in example based on set theory and truth table
  - i) I: y > 0
  - ii) I: y = 0
  - iii) I: y < 0
  - iv)  $I: y \Leftrightarrow 0$
  - v) I: y = -100
  - vi) I: x = 0

2)

- a) Given S: x = 5\*y + 20, O: x + y < 100, derive the weakest precondition wp(S,O).
- b) For the input conditions I given below, check whether  $I \Rightarrow wp(S,O)$  in alt-ergo and provide the explanations as shown in example based on set theory and truth table
  - i) I: y > 0
  - ii) I: y = 0
  - iii) I: y < 0
  - iv) I: y = -100
  - v) I: x > 0

- a) Given S: x = y\*y, O: x > 1000, derive the weakest precondition wp(S,O).
- b) For the input conditions I given below, check whether  $I \Rightarrow wp(S,O)$  in alt-ergo and provide the explanations as shown in example based on set theory and truth table
  - i) I:  $y \Leftrightarrow 0$
  - ii) I: y > 0
  - iii) I: y = 100
  - iv) I: y = -20
  - v) I: y < -10
  - vi) I: y > 10

4)

- a) Given S: x = y\*y + z, O: x > 10, derive the weakest precondition wp(S,O).
- b) For the input conditions I given below, check whether  $I \Rightarrow wp(S,O)$  in alt-ergo and provide the explanations as shown in example based on set theory and truth table
  - i) I: y > 0 and z = 1
  - ii) I: y = 10 and z = 0
  - iii) I : y = -20
  - iv) I: y < -10 and z < 10
  - v) I: y > 10 and z = 5
  - vi) I: y > 20 and z < 5

5)

a) Given S: x = 2\*y + z; y = x+5. O: y > 20

Derive the weakest precondition wp(S,O).

- b) For the input conditions I given below, check whether  $I \Rightarrow wp(S,O)$  in alt-ergo and provide the explanations as shown in example based on set theory and truth table
  - i) I: y > 0 and z = 1
  - ii) I: y = 10 and z = 0
  - iii) I : y = -20
  - iv) I: y < -10 and z < 10
  - v) I: y > 10 and z = 5
  - vi) I: y > 20 and z < 5