CvP - Homework 4

- Deadline: October 5, at the start of the werkcollege.
- Your solution can typed (preferred!) or handwritten.
- You can submit your solution in person or via liacscvp2018@gmail.com
- Don't forget your name and student number.

Chapter 3

- 1. Which part of an inference rule is the antecedent?
- 2. Explain what the preconditions and postconditions of a given statement mean in axiomatic semantics.
- 3. What is a loop invariant? Explain with an example.
- 4. What is the use of the wp function? Why is it called a predicate transformer?
- 5. Explain the difference between total correctness and partial correctness.
- 6. Compute the weakest precondition for each of the following pairs of assignment statement and postcondition:

(a)
$$a = 2 * (b-1) - 1; \{a > 0\}$$

(b)
$$b = (c+10)/3; \{b > 6\}$$

(c)
$$a = a + 2 * b - 1; \{a > 1\}$$

(d)
$$x = 2 * y + x - 1; \{x > 11\}$$

7. Compute the weakest precondition for each of the following sequences of assignment statements and their postconditions:

(a)
$$a = 2 * b + 1; b = a - 3; \{b < 0\}$$

(b)
$$a = 3 * (2 * b + a); b = 2 * a - 1; \{b > 5\}$$

8. Compute the weakest precondition for each of the following code segments and their postconditions:

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(a) if (a = b) then b = 2 * a + 1; else b = 2 * a; fi \{b > 1\}

(b) if (x < y) then x = x + 1; else x = 3 + x; fi \{x < 0\}

(c) if (x > y) then y = 2 * x + 1; else y = 3 * x - 1; fi \{y > 3\}
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9. Prove that the following program is partially correct:

$$\begin{aligned} &\{\text{true}\} \\ &x := 0; \\ &y := 0; \\ &\textbf{while} \; (y < 5) \; \textbf{do} \\ &y := y + 1; \\ &x := x + 2; \\ &\textbf{od} \\ &\{x = 10\} \end{aligned}$$