

Weakest Preconditions 1 & 2; Domain Predicates

Draft Solution

Class 10: Weakest Preconditions part 1

1. If $B_1 \wedge B_2$, then $p \equiv (B_1 \rightarrow w_1) \wedge (B_2 \rightarrow w_2)$ implies $w_1 \wedge w_2$, so we execute whichever arm is selected with its wp true. On the other hand, q implies $B_1 \wedge B_2 \wedge (w_1 \vee w_2)$, which leaves open the possibility of executing S_1 when w_1 doesn't hold and of executing S_2 when w_2 doesn't hold.
2. $wp(S, p \vee q) \rightarrow wp(S, p) \vee wp(S, q)$ holds if S is deterministic but might not hold if S is nondeterministic. The other three statements (below) hold for both deterministic and nondeterministic programs.
 - $wp(S, p) \vee wp(S, q) \rightarrow wp(S, p \vee q)$
 - $wp(S, p \wedge q) \rightarrow wp(S, p) \wedge wp(S, q)$
 - $wp(S, p) \wedge wp(S, q) \rightarrow wp(S, p \wedge q)$

(For Problem 3) Reference 1: If $w \Leftrightarrow wp(S, q)$, then $\models_{\text{tot}} \{w\} S \{q\}$ and $\not\models_{\text{tot}} \{\neg w\} S \{q\}$ so for some σ , $\sigma \models \{\neg w\} S \{\neg q\}$. If S is deterministic, $\not\models_{\text{tot}} \{\neg w\} S \{q\}$ also implies $\models \{\neg w\} S \{\neg q\}$. Reference 2: $p \rightarrow q$ is strict iff $q \wedge \neg p$ is satisfiable.

3. (Correctness properties related to $wp(S, q)$) We're given $w \Leftrightarrow wp(S, q)$ and strict $b \rightarrow w$ and $w \rightarrow c$. Are the below statements: Always true? / Always false? / Might be true = Might be false?

3a. If S is deterministic then $\models_{\text{tot}} \{b\} S \{q\}$.

Always true. From $\models_{\text{tot}} \{w\} S \{q\}$ we get $\models_{\text{tot}} \{b\} S \{q\}$ by precondition strengthening, since $b \rightarrow w$.

3b. If S is nondeterministic there exists σ such that $\sigma \models \{\neg c\} S \{\neg q\}$.

Might be true. We know $\not\models_{\text{tot}} \{\neg w\} S \{q\}$ i.e., for some σ , $M(S, \sigma) \not\models q$. Let $M(S, \sigma) = \Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2 \cup \Sigma_3$ where $\Sigma_1 \models q$, $\Sigma_2 \models \neg q$, and $\Sigma_3 \subseteq \{\perp\}$. $M(S, \sigma) \not\models q$ implies that $\Sigma_2 \cup \Sigma_3 \neq \emptyset$. It's possible (but not guaranteed) that $\Sigma_1 = \Sigma_3 = \emptyset$, in which case $M(S, \sigma) = \Sigma_2 \models \neg q$.

3c. If S is nondeterministic, then there exist $\sigma \models \neg c$ and $\tau \in M(S, \sigma)$ such that $\tau \models q$.

Might be true. Since S is nondeterministic, $\models_{\text{tot}} \{w\} S \{q\}$ implies that for every $\sigma \models \neg w$, we have $\sigma \not\models_{\text{tot}} \{w\} S \{q\}$. Since $w \rightarrow c$, we know $\neg c \rightarrow \neg w$, so we can restrict ourselves to $\sigma \models \neg c$ and still know $\sigma \not\models_{\text{tot}} \{w\} S \{q\}$, which in turn implies $M(S, \sigma) \not\models q$. But this only implies that there is some $\tau \in M(S, \sigma)$ that $\not\models q$. There can also be some $\tau \in M(S, \sigma)$ that $\models q$, which is what we wanted.

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4. $wlp(u := u * k; k := u, u > h(k)) \equiv wlp(u := u * k, wlp(k := u, u > h(k))) \equiv wlp(u := u * k, u > h(u)) \equiv u * k > h(u * k)$.
5. $wlp(\text{if } x < 0 \text{ then } x := -x \text{ fi}, x^2 \geq x) \equiv (x < 0 \rightarrow wlp(x := -x, x^2 \geq x)) \wedge (x \geq 0 \rightarrow wlp(\text{skip}, x^2 \geq x)) \equiv (x < 0 \rightarrow (-x)^2 \geq -x) \wedge (x \geq 0 \rightarrow x^2 \geq x)$. You were asked to not logically simplify, so that's the answer, along with the acceptable alternative $(x < 0 \wedge (-x)^2 \geq -x) \vee (x \geq 0 \wedge x^2 \geq x)$.

Class 11: Domain Predicates [18 points]

6. (Calculate $wp(y := y/x, \text{sqrt}(y) < x)$)
- We want $D(y := y/x) \wedge D(w) \wedge w$ where $w \equiv wlp(y := y/x, \text{sqrt}(y) < x)$. Calculating,
 - $w \equiv \text{sqrt}(y/x) < x$
 - $D(w) \equiv D(\text{sqrt}(y/x)) \equiv D(y/x) \wedge y/x \geq 0 \equiv x \neq 0 \wedge y/x \geq 0$
 - $D(y := y/x) \equiv D(y/x) \equiv x \neq 0$
 - So $wp(y := y/x, \text{sqrt}(y) < x)$
 $\equiv D(y := y/x) \wedge D(w) \wedge w$
 $\equiv (x \neq 0) \wedge (x \neq 0 \wedge y/x \geq 0) \wedge (\text{sqrt}(y/x) < x)$
 $\Leftrightarrow x \neq 0 \wedge y/x \geq 0 \wedge \text{sqrt}(y/x) < x$ (After some simplification)
7. (Calculate $wp(\text{if } y \geq 0 \text{ then } x := y/x \text{ else } x := -x/y \text{ fi}, r < x \leq y)$)
- Let $S \equiv \text{if } y \geq 0 \text{ then } x := y/x \text{ else } x := -x/y \text{ fi}$ and $q \equiv r < x \leq y$.
 - We want $D(S) \wedge D(w) \wedge w$ where $w \equiv wlp(S, q)$. We can calculate
 - $w \equiv wlp(S, q) \equiv wlp(\text{if } y \geq 0 \text{ then } x := y/x \text{ else } x := -x/y \text{ fi}, q)$
 $\equiv (y \geq 0 \rightarrow wlp(x := y/x, q)) \wedge (y < 0 \rightarrow wlp(x := -x/y, q))$
 $\equiv (y \geq 0 \rightarrow wlp(x := y/x, r < x \leq y)) \wedge (y < 0 \rightarrow wlp(x := -x/y, r < x \leq y))$
 $\equiv (y \geq 0 \rightarrow r < y/x \leq y) \wedge (y < 0 \rightarrow r < -x/y \leq y)$
 - $D(w) \equiv D((y \geq 0 \rightarrow r < y/x \leq y) \wedge (y < 0 \rightarrow r < -x/y \leq y))$
 $\equiv D(y \geq 0 \rightarrow r < y/x \leq y) \wedge D(y < 0 \rightarrow r < -x/y \leq y)$
 $\equiv T \wedge D(r < y/x \leq y) \wedge T \wedge D(r < -x/y \leq y)$
 $\equiv D(r < y/x \wedge y/x \leq y) \wedge D(r < -x/y \wedge -x/y \leq y)$
 $\equiv D(y/x) \wedge D(-x/y)$ (After some quick simplification of $T \wedge D(y/x) \wedge T$, etc.)
 $\equiv x \neq 0 \wedge y \neq 0$
 - $D(S) \equiv D(wlp(\text{if } y \geq 0 \text{ then } x := y/x \text{ else } x := -x/y \text{ fi}))$
 $\equiv D(y \geq 0) \wedge (y \geq 0 \rightarrow D(x := y/x)) \wedge (y < 0 \rightarrow D(x := -x/y))$
 $\equiv (y \geq 0 \rightarrow D(y/x)) \wedge (y < 0 \rightarrow D(-x/y))$ (Since $D(y \geq 0) \equiv T$ and $D(\text{var} := \text{exp}) \equiv D(\text{exp})$.)
 $\equiv (y \geq 0 \rightarrow x \neq 0) \wedge (y < 0 \rightarrow y \neq 0)$

- So $wp(S, q) \equiv D(S) \wedge D(w) \wedge w$
 $\equiv ((y \geq 0 \rightarrow x \neq 0) \wedge (y < 0 \rightarrow y \neq 0))$
 $\quad \wedge (x \neq 0 \wedge y \neq 0)$
 $\quad \wedge ((y \geq 0 \rightarrow r < y/x \leq y) \wedge (y < 0 \rightarrow r < -x/y \leq y)).$
- We can do some simplification to get
 $wp(S, q) \Leftrightarrow x \neq 0 \wedge y \neq 0$
 $\quad \wedge ((y > 0 \rightarrow r < y/x \leq y) \wedge (y < 0 \rightarrow r < -x/y \leq y)).$