

# ECS 240: Homework 3

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## 1 Abstract interpretation

### 1.1 Program analysis

The result can be improved by changing the factorial program rather than the analysis.

By removing the minus operator, the analysis is more precise: One way to do this is when we have the counter variable starting from bottom up.

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y := 1, i := 1
while i ≤ x do
  i := i + 1
  y := y * i
end while
```

Since every statement of the algorithm is positive it is easier to prove that value of y is positive.

### 1.2 Lattice structure

To get a precise result we just change the lattice structure,

In the new lattice, the configuration for  $\top$ ,  $+$ , and  $\perp$  are the same as before, but  $\geq 0$  is a gamma function where  $\gamma(\geq 0) = \{x | x \geq 0\}$ . Since that is a superset of the positive integers, we must have  $\geq 0 > +$ .

Tracing the program we get:

**Line 1:**  $A(x) = +$ ,  $A(y) = \top$

**Line 2:**  $A(x) = +$ ,  $A(y) = +$

**Line 3:**  $A(x) = +$ ,  $A(y) = +$  (We know that it sums upto the same constraints in point 2, also in the point 4 where multiplying  $+$  leaves us with these signs)

**Line 2:(second iteration):**  $A(x) = \geq 0$ ,  $A(y) = +$  (After executing  $i=i$ , we should increase the number of values that is possible for x. This transition moves from  $+$  to  $\geq 0$ )

**Line 3:(Abstract values)**  $A(x) = +$ ,  $A(y) = +$

**Line 5:**  $A(x) = \geq 0$ ,  $A(y) = +$  (At this point we have  $i==0$  which means that we don't distinguish between  $x == 0$   $x \geq 0$ )

Thus we have proved that we have reached a fixed point and the output y is positive if the program terminates.

## 2 Abstract interpretation

Given  $\gamma$  function we can write the definition of  $\alpha$  and prove that  $\alpha$  is monotonic and forms a Galois connection with  $\gamma$ .

The solution for  $\alpha$  involves a greatest lower bound operation. To prove the first condition means that we will have to satisfy the first requirement of the Galois connection.  $\gamma$  must be monotonic. We take into account

$\gamma : A \rightarrow P(C)$  The restriction is that  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma$  are monotonic. So if  $S_1 \subseteq S_2$ ,  $\alpha(S_1) \subseteq \alpha(S_2)$

To prove that  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma$  follow a Galois connection -

$$\alpha(\gamma(a)) = a \text{ for all } a \in A.$$

For an arbitrary a, by the definition of  $\gamma$  and  $\alpha$ -  
 $\alpha(\gamma(a)) = \text{glb } \{b \mid \gamma(b) \supseteq \gamma(a)\}$   
 $= \text{glb } \{b \mid b \geq a\} = a$

Thus the properties of the Galois connection are proved.

## 3 Hoare's Logic

### 3.1 Loop invariant

**Simple Rule for loop invariants:**

*To Prove the following property using Hoare's Logic:*

$\{x \bmod 2 \neq 0\} \text{ while } (b) \text{ do } x := x+2 \{x \bmod 2 \neq 0\}$

**The Rules of inference for the looping variable would be:**

Proving the loop invariant using the following Hoare's triplet:

$$\frac{\{A \wedge b\} c \ A}{\{A\} \text{ while } (b) \text{ do } x := x+2 \{ \neg b \wedge A \}}$$

Hoare's triple:

$\{A\} \text{ while } (b) \text{ do } x := x+2 \{ \neg b \wedge A \}$

### 3.2 Loop invariants

$\{n \geq 0\}$   
 $t := n;$   
 $\{n \geq 0 \wedge t = n\}$   
 $r := 1$   
 $\{n \geq 0 \wedge t = n \wedge r = 1\}$

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while  $t \neq 0$  do
  {  $r = n!/t! \wedge n > t > 0$  }
   $r := r * t$ ;
  {  $r = n!/(t-1)! \wedge n > t > 0$  }
   $t := t-1$ ;
end while
{  $r = n!$  }

```

### Proof Obligations

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{  $n \geq 0 \wedge t = n$  }  $r := 1$  {  $P_1$  }
{  $P_1$  }  $\rightarrow$  {  $P_2$  }
{  $P_2 \wedge (t \neq 0)$  }  $r := r * t$ ; {  $P_3$  }
{  $P_3$  }  $t := t-1$ ; {  $P_2$  }
{  $P_2 \wedge \neg(t \neq 0)$  }  $\rightarrow r := n!$ 

```

### 3.3 GCD

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{  $a > 0 \wedge b > 0$  }
 $x := a$   $y := b$ 
{  $Q \equiv x > 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge \text{gcd}(a,b) \equiv \text{gcd}(x,y)$  }
{  $VA \equiv x + y$  }
while  $x \neq y$  do
  {  $Q \wedge x \neq y \wedge (x + y = z)$  }
  if  $x \geq y$  then
     $x := x - y$ 
  else
     $y := y - x$ ;
  {  $Q \wedge x \neq y \wedge (x + y < z)$  }
  end if
end while
{  $Q \wedge (x = y)$  }
{  $\text{gcd}(a,b) = x$  }

```

### 3.4 Command and assertion

{ A } c { true }

Let us take for example the idea of having a structural induction over the command c. We need to prove it for 4 different cases which are SKIP, WHILE, ASSIGNMENT, ; ; .

## 4 Alternate rules

### 4.1 Hoare rule

Using the rule of consequence the new rule can be derived from the original rule.

While b do c  
If  $\vdash A \wedge b \implies C$  and  $\vdash \{A \wedge b\} c \{A\}$  then  $\{C\} c \{A\}$   
If  $\vdash A \wedge \neg b \implies B$  and  $\vdash \{A\} \text{ While } b \text{ do } c \{A \wedge \neg b\}$  then  $\{A\} \text{ While } b \text{ do } c \{B\}$

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$\{ \text{true} \} \text{ while true do skip } \{ \text{false} \}$

This counterexample relies on the fact that true would never change into false. This gives a stronger post-condition.

### 4.4 Hoare rule

The system of axioms remain complete if we replace the old while with the new rule.

$\{x=0\} \text{ while false } x:=x+1 \{x=0\}$

is a counter example for this case. It means that as long as the preconditions are equal to the post conditions the command "c" would not matter.

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