

# Exam Program Verification 2017/2018

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## 1. Program Semantic [1.5 pt].

Consider a simple programming language  $L_0$  where we can write a program like this:

```
vars x, y, z ;
init x > 0 && 10 > y ;
{ z := 0 ; if x/y > 2 then z := 2 else z := 1 }
```

The **init**-part specifies allowed initial states: the program can only execute on an initial state on which the **init**-predicate would evaluate to true. If the program is invoked on such a state, it will then execute its body-statement. At the end, the program's final state will be returned. It will furthermore mark the state as either 'normal' or 'exceptional'. A state is marked as exceptional if the program terminates by throwing an exception. In the above case, this would happen if for example the value of  $y$  is 0 in the division  $x/y$ .

The full syntax of our programming language is as follows:

<i>Program</i>	→	<b>vars</b> <i>variables</i> ; (variables declaration) <b>init</b> <i>expression</i> ; (allowed initial state) <i>body</i> ;
<i>variables</i>	→	one or more identifiers (variable-name) separated by ","
<i>body</i>	→	"{" one or more statements separated by ";" "}"
<i>statement</i>	→	<i>identifier</i> := <i>expression</i> (assignment)   <b>if</b> <i>expression</i> <b>then</b> <i>body</i> <b>else</b> <i>body</i>
<i>expression</i>	→	integer constants like 0,1,2,...   "undefined"   <i>identifier</i>   <i>expression</i> + <i>expression</i>   <i>expression</i> / <i>expression</i> (the div operator)   <i>expression</i> == <i>expression</i> (testing equality)   <i>expression</i> > <i>expression</i> (greater than)   <i>expression</i> && <i>expression</i> ('and' operator)

- $e_1/e_2$  results in **undefined** if  $e_2$  evaluates to zero.
- All the binary operators above,  $e_1 \text{ op } e_2$ , result in **undefined** if one of its arguments evaluates to **undefined**.
- An assignment  $x:=e$  throws an exception if  $e$  evaluates to **undefined**. The program will then break its execution, and its state is left as it was just before the assignment.
- The statement **if**  $e$  **then** ... **else** ... throws an exception if  $e$  evaluates to **undefined**. The program will then break its execution, and its state is left as it was just before the **if**.

**Your tasks:**

- (a) *Provide a denotational semantic* for the above programming language. You will need to provide the functions  $\mathcal{E}$ ,  $\mathcal{S}$ , and  $\mathcal{P}$  that describe the semantic of respectively expressions, statements, and programs. Hint: choose a proper semantical domain for each.
- (b) Suppose we extend the syntax so that we can also write a post-condition. A post-condition will be written as a pair **post**  $p$  **exceptional**  $q$  to mean that the program should either terminate normally in a state satisfying  $p$ , or terminate exceptionally in a state satisfying  $q$ . For example, the post-condition below is a valid one:

```
vars x, y, z ;  
init x > 0 && 10 > y ;  
post z > 0 exceptional z == 0  
{ z := 0 ; if x/y > 2 then z := 2 else z := 1 }
```

Extend your denotational semantic so that the above semantic of post-condition is defined (and reasonable).

**2. Loop Invariant** [1.5 pt].

Give an invariant for each of the GCL loops below. It should be an invariant that is consistent, strong enough to realize the asked post-condition, and realistic to be established by the pre-condition or initialization of the loop. Use the *partial correctness* interpretation of Hoare triples.

Below, **a** is an infinite array of **int**; **b** is of type **bool**; other variables are of type **int**.

- (a)  $\{ x = 100 \} \text{ while } x > 0 \text{ do } \{ x := x - 2 \} \{ x = 0 \}$
- (b)  $\{ x = 10 \wedge y = 0 \} \text{ while } x > 0 \text{ do } \{ x := x - 1 ; y := y + 10 \} \{ x + y = 100 \}$
- (c)  $\{ x = 100 \wedge y = 1 \} \text{ while } x > y \text{ do } \{ y := y * 2 \} \{ y = 128 \}$

- (d) Here is a program to check if an array consists of only 0's:

```
{ k = 0 ∧ allzeros = true }  
  
while k < N ∧ allzeros do { allzeros := (a[k] = 0) ; k := k + 1 }  
  
{ allzeros = (∀ i : 0 ≤ i < N : a[i] = 0) }
```

- (e)  $\{ \text{true} \}$

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k, found := 0, false ;  
while ¬found do { found := (a[k] = 0) ; k := k + 1 }  
  
{ k ≥ 0 ∧ a[k-1] = 0 }
```

3. **Weakest pre-condition** [1.5 pt].

- (a) Consider the loop below, with the given post-condition;  $x$  is of type integer:

**while**  $x > 0$  **do** { **assert**  $\text{even}(x)$  ;  $x := x - 2$  } {  $\text{even}(x)$  }

where  $\text{even}(x)$  is a predicate that means that  $x$  is an even integer.

Calculate the **wlp** of the loop above using the fix-point iteration.

- (b) Suppose we want to have a non-deterministic conditional statement in our programming language. We will denote it with the following multi-armed **if**, with  $n \geq 1$ :

**if**  $g_1 \rightarrow S_1$   
 $\dots$   
 $g_n \rightarrow S_n$

$g_1 \dots g_n$  are 'guards'; these are boolean expressions.  $S_1 \dots S_n$  are statements.

This is how the above statement works. Suppose we execute it on a state  $s$ . If there are multiple guards that evaluate to true on  $s$ , one will be selected non-deterministically, e.g.  $g_k$ , and the corresponding  $S_k$  is then executed.

If no guard evaluates to true on  $s$ , the whole statement simply does a skip.

Give a reasonable definition of the **wlp** of such a statement.

- (c) Give the definition of **repby** and propose a definition of the **wlp** of assignments that target a two dimensional array.

4. **Basic HOL** [1 pt].

- (a) In HOL, a tactic is a function of the type:

$goal \rightarrow (goal \text{ list } \# \text{proofFunction})$

where  $goal = (\text{term list } \# \text{term})$  and  $\text{proofFunction} = \text{thm list} \rightarrow \text{thm}$ .

The combinator **THEN** :  $tactic \rightarrow tactic \rightarrow tactic$  applies two tactics one after another. That is,  $t_1$  **THEN**  $t_2$  applies  $t_1$  on the given goal, then it applies  $t_2$  on all the subgoals produced by  $t_1$ . Note that **THEN** produces a new tactic (you can see it in its type!) that internally does what is said in the previous sentence.

Give the definition of **THEN**. You can give the definition in terms of a pseudo-code (it does not have to be in ML).

- (b) Show how the quantifiers  $\forall$  and  $\exists$  are defined in the primitive HOL. If you use operators other than function application,  $\lambda$ ,  $=$ ,  $\Rightarrow$ , and **T** define your operators as well.

5. **Hoare Logic** [0.5 pt, challenging].

Consider again the language  $L_0$  in the question No. 1. Propose how to calculate the **wlp** of the statements in  $L_0$ . Keep in mind that we have defined a post-condition in  $L_0$  to be a pair of predicates  $Q_N, Q_E$  specifying the program final state when it ends normally, and when it ends exceptionally.

6. **HOL** [4 subquestions for total 4 pt, time: 48 hrs].

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