

Exercise Sheet 5

Due date: May 31th. Please hand in your solutions at the start of the exercise class.

Task 1: Applying Hoare Logic and wlp (30 Points)

1. Let c be the following program:

$$\text{if } (x \geq 0) \text{ then } \{y := x\} \text{ else } \{y := -x\}$$

Calculate $\text{wlp}\llbracket c \rrbracket (y = |x|)$. What does the result tell you about the given program?

2. Prove in Hoare logic:

$$\vdash \{x < y\} \text{while } x < y \text{ do } x := x + 1 \text{ end} \{x = y\} .$$

Task 2: Untouched Assertions (40 Points)

Analogously to arithmetic expressions, we define the set $\text{FV}(A)$ of free variables occurring in assertion A as

$$\text{FV}(A) := \{x \in \text{Var} \mid x \text{ occurs in } A\} .$$

Furthermore, for $c \in \text{Cmd}$, we define

$$\text{Mod}(c) := \{x \in \text{Var} \mid x \text{ occurs on a left-hand side of an assignment in } c\} .$$

Prove: For all $P, Q \in \text{Assn}$ and all $c \in \text{Cmd}$ with $\text{Mod}(c) \cap \text{FV}(Q) = \emptyset$, we have

$$\models \text{wlp}\llbracket c \rrbracket (P) \wedge Q \Rightarrow \text{wlp}\llbracket c \rrbracket (P \wedge Q) .$$

Hint: Recall that we identify an assertion A with a set $S_A = \{\sigma \in \Sigma \mid \sigma \models A\}$.

Task 3: wlp Loop Invariants (30 Points)

Given a while loop $c' = \text{while } b \text{ do } c \text{ end}$ and an assertion $B \in \text{Assn}$, we define

$$\Psi_B: \text{Assn} \rightarrow \text{Assn}, \quad Q \mapsto (b \wedge \text{wlp}\llbracket c \rrbracket (Q)) \vee (\neg b \wedge B) .$$

That is, we have $\text{wlp}\llbracket c' \rrbracket (B) = \text{FIX}(\Psi_B)$ (Lecture 10, Slide 25). Furthermore, we denote by $\leq \sqsubseteq \text{Assn} \times \text{Assn}$ the partial order on assertions defined as

$$A \leq B \quad \text{iff} \quad \models A \Rightarrow B .$$

Now let $c' = \text{while } b \text{ do } c \text{ end}$ and $A, B, I \in \text{Assn}$. Prove:

$$\text{If } I \leq \Psi_B(I) \text{ and } A \leq I, \text{ then } \models \{A\} \text{while } b \text{ do } c \text{ end} \{B\} .$$

Hint: You may assume that (Assn, \leq) is chain complete and that Ψ_B is continuous. Analogously to Exercise 3.3, you may assume that for a chain complete partial order (D, \sqsubseteq) and a continuous function $f: D \rightarrow D$ it holds that $d \sqsubseteq f(d)$ implies $d \sqsubseteq \text{FIX}(f)$.