
CSE 331

Software Design & Implementation

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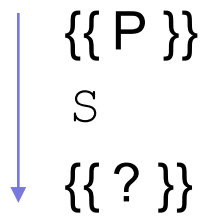
Lecture 3 – Reasoning About Loops

(Based on slides by Mike Ernst, Dan Grossman, David Notkin, Hal Perkins, Zach Tatlock)

Review: Straight-line Code

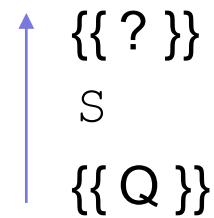
Forward & Backward Reasoning

Forward reasoning



- P is what we know initially
- Work downward
- Determine what holds after S executes

Backward reasoning



- Q is what we want at the end
- Work upward
- Determine what must hold initially before S executes

Assignment Rule

Forward reasoning

`{{ P }}`

`x = expr;`

`{{ ? }}`

Assignment Rule

Forward reasoning

$\{\{ P \}\}$
 $x = \text{expr};$
 $\{\{ P \text{ and } x = \text{expr} \}\}$

- adds another known fact
- these tend to accumulate...
 - many are irrelevant

(above assumes x not used in P)

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Backward reasoning

$\{ \{ ? \} \}$

$x = \text{expr};$

$\{ \{ Q \} \}$

Assignment Rule

Forward reasoning

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 $\{ \{ P \text{ and } x = \text{expr} \} \}$

- adds another known fact
- these tend to accumulate...
 - many are irrelevant

(above assumes x not used in P)

Backward reasoning

$\{ \{ Q[x=\text{expr}] \} \}$
 $x = \text{expr};$
 $\{ \{ Q \} \}$

- just substitution
- most general conditions for getting Q after $x = \text{expr};$

Assignment Example

Forward reasoning

$\{w = 3\}$

$x = y - 5;$

$\{?\}$

Assignment Example

Forward reasoning

↓
{{ w = 3 }}
x = y - 5;
↓
{{ w = 3 and x = y - 5 }}

Assignment Example

Forward reasoning

$\{w = 3\}$

$x = y - 5;$

$\{w = 3 \text{ and } x = y - 5\}$

Backward reasoning

$\{?\}$

$x = y - 5;$

$\{w = x + 5\}$

Assignment Example

Forward reasoning

$\{\{ w = 3 \}\}$

$x = y - 5;$

$\{\{ w = 3 \text{ and } x = y - 5 \}\}$

Backward reasoning

$\{\{ w = y \}\}$

$x = y - 5;$

$\{\{ w = x + 5 \}\}$



Sequence Rule

Forward reasoning

$\{ \{ P \} \}$

S1

S2

$\{ \{ ? \} \}$

Sequence Rule

Forward reasoning

`{{ P }}`

S1

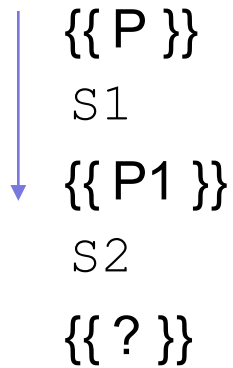
`{{ ? }}`

S2

`{{ ? }}`

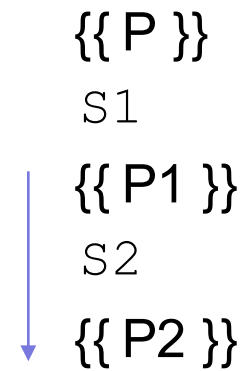
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{{ P }}

S1

{{ P1 }}

S2

{{ P2 }}

Backward reasoning

{{ ? }}

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S2

{{ Q }}

Sequence Rule

Forward reasoning

{{ P }}

S1

{{ P1 }}

S2

{{ P2 }}

Backward reasoning

{{ ? }}

S1

{{ ? }}

S2

{{ Q }}

Sequence Rule

Forward reasoning

{{ P }}

S1

{{ P1 }}

S2

{{ P2 }}

Backward reasoning

{{ ? }}

S1

↑
{{ Q2 }}

S2

{{ Q }}

Sequence Rule

Forward reasoning

{{ P }}

S1

{{ P1 }}

S2

{{ P2 }}

Backward reasoning

↑ {{ Q1 }}

S1

{{ Q2 }}

S2

{{ Q }}

If-Statement Rule

Forward reasoning

```
{{ P }}  
if (cond)  
  S1  
else  
  S2  
{{ ? }}
```

If-Statement Rule

Forward reasoning

```
  {{ P }}  
  if (cond)  
  → {{ P and cond }}  
    S1  
  else  
  → {{ P and not cond }}  
    S2  
  {{ ? }}
```

If-Statement Rule

Forward reasoning

```

{{ P }}
if (cond)
  |
  | {{ P and cond }}
  | S1
  | ↓
  | {{ P1 }}
else
  |
  | {{ P and not cond }}
  | S2
  | ↓
  | {{ P2 }}
{{ ? }}

```

If-Statement Rule

Forward reasoning

```
  {{ P }}  
  if (cond)  
    {{ P and cond }}  
    S1  
  {{ P1 }}  
  else  
    {{ P and not cond }}  
    S2  
  {{ P2 }}  
  {{ P1 or P2 }}
```

If-Statement Rule

Forward reasoning

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{{ P }}  
if (cond)  
  {{ P and cond }}  
  S1  
  {{ P1 }}  
else  
  {{ P and not cond }}  
  S2  
  {{ P2 }}  
{{ P1 or P2 }}
```

Backward reasoning

```
{{ ? }}  
if (cond)  
  S1  
else  
  S2  
{{ Q }}
```


If-Statement Rule

Forward reasoning

```

{{ P }}
if (cond)
  {{ P and cond }}
  S1
  {{ P1 }}
else
  {{ P and not cond }}
  S2
  {{ P2 }}
{{ P1 or P2 }}
```

Backward reasoning

```

{{ ? }}
if (cond)
  S1
  → {{ Q }}
else
  S2
  → {{ Q }}
  {{ Q }}
```

If-Statement Rule

Forward reasoning

```

{{ P }}
if (cond)
  {{ P and cond }}
  S1
  {{ P1 }}
else
  {{ P and not cond }}
  S2
  {{ P2 }}
{{ P1 or P2 }}
```

Backward reasoning

```

{{ ? }}
if (cond)
  ↑ {{ Q1 }}
  S1
  {{ Q }}
else
  ↑ {{ Q2 }}
  S2
  {{ Q }}
{{ Q }}
```

If-Statement Rule

Forward reasoning

```

{{ P }}
if (cond)
  {{ P and cond }}
  S1
  {{ P1 }}
else
  {{ P and not cond }}
  S2
  {{ P2 }}
{{ P1 or P2 }}
```

Backward reasoning

```

{{ Q1 and cond or
  Q2 and not cond }}
if (cond)
  {{ Q1 }}
  S1
  {{ Q }}
else
  {{ Q2 }}
  S2
  {{ Q }}
{{ Q }}
```

If-Statement Example

Forward reasoning

```
{  
}  
if (x >= 0)  
    y = x;  
else  
    y = -x;  
{ ? }
```

If-Statement Example

Forward reasoning

```
  {{ }}  
  if (x >= 0)  
  → {{ x >= 0 }}  
    y = x;  
  else  
  → {{ x < 0 }}  
    y = -x;  
  {{ ? }}
```

If-Statement Example

Forward reasoning

```
{}  
if (x >= 0)  
  {{x >= 0}}  
  y = x;  
  ↓  
  {{x >= 0 and y = x}}  
else  
  {{x < 0}}  
  y = -x;  
  ↓  
  {{x < 0 and y = -x}}  
{{ ? }}
```

If-Statement Example

Forward reasoning

```
{}  
if (x >= 0)  
  {x >= 0}  
  y = x;  
  {x >= 0 and y = x}  
else  
  {x < 0}  
  y = -x;  
  {x < 0 and y = -x}  
{(x >= 0 and y = x) or  
(x < 0 and y = -x)}
```

If-Statement Example

Forward reasoning

```
{}  
if (x >= 0)  
  {x >= 0}  
  y = x;  
  {x >= 0 and y = x}  
else  
  {x < 0}  
  y = -x;  
  {x < 0 and y = -x}  
{y = |x|}
```


If-Statement Example

Forward reasoning

```
{}  
if (x >= 0)  
  {x >= 0}  
  y = x;  
  {x >= 0 and y = x}  
else  
  {x < 0}  
  y = -x;  
  {x < 0 and y = -x}  
{y = |x|}
```

Backward reasoning

```
{?}  
if (x >= 0)  
  y = x;  
else  
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```

If-Statement Example

Forward reasoning

```
{}  
if (x >= 0)  
  {x >= 0}  
  y = x;  
  {x >= 0 and y = x}  
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  {x < 0}  
  y = -x;  
  {x < 0 and y = -x}  
{y = |x|}
```

Backward reasoning

```
{?}  
if (x >= 0)  
  y = x;  
  → {y = |x|}  
else  
  y = -x;  
  → {y = |x|}  
{y = |x|}
```

If-Statement Example

Forward reasoning

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{}  
if (x >= 0)  
  {x >= 0}  
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  {x >= 0 and y = x}  
else  
  {x < 0}  
  y = -x;  
  {x < 0 and y = -x}  
{y = |x|}
```

Backward reasoning

```
{?}  
if (x >= 0)  
  {x = |x|}  
  y = x;  
  {y = |x|}  
else  
  {-x = |x|}  
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  {y = |x|}  
{y = |x|}
```

If-Statement Example

Forward reasoning

```
{}  
if (x >= 0)  
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Backward reasoning

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If-Statement Example

Forward reasoning

```
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  {x >= 0 and y = x}  
else  
  {x < 0}  
  y = -x;  
  {x < 0 and y = -x}  
{y = |x|}
```

Backward reasoning

```
{(x >= 0 and x >= 0) or  
(x < 0 and x <= 0)}  
if (x >= 0)  
  {x >= 0}  
  y = x;  
  {y = |x|}  
else  
  {x <= 0}  
  y = -x;  
  {y = |x|}  
{y = |x|}
```

If-Statement Example

Forward reasoning

```
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  {x >= 0}  
  y = x;  
  {x >= 0 and y = x}  
else  
  {x < 0}  
  y = -x;  
  {x < 0 and y = -x}  
{y = |x|}
```

Backward reasoning

```
{x >= 0 or x < 0}  
if (x >= 0)  
  {x >= 0}  
  y = x;  
  {y = |x|}  
else  
  {x <= 0}  
  y = -x;  
  {y = |x|}  
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If-Statement Example

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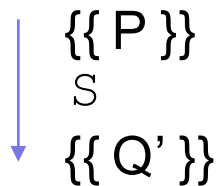
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Verifying Correctness (*Inspection*)

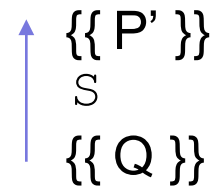
Two different ways of checking $\{\{ P \} \} S \{\{ Q \} \}$

Use forward reasoning:



- Find Q' assuming P .
- Check that Q' implies Q .
 - weaken postcondition

Use backward reasoning:



- Find P' that produces Q .
- Check that P implies P' .
 - strengthen precondition

You know how to verify correctness of straight-line code.

You will do this on HW1.

Using Both Forward & Backward

Also possible to check correctness by mixing forward & backward:

```
{{}}
if (x >= 0)
    y = div(x, 2);
else
    y = -div(-x+1, 2);
{{ 2y = x or 2y = x - 1 }}
```

Assume that `div(a, b)` computes a/b rounded *toward zero*.

Code to compute $x/2$ rounded toward minus infinity (usual division).

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{{ 2y = x or 2y = x - 1 }}

```

↑ $\{ \{ 2 \operatorname{div}(x, 2) = x \text{ or } 2 \operatorname{div}(x, 2) = x - 1 \} \}$
true if $x \geq 0$

↑ $\{ \{ 2 \operatorname{div}(-x+1, 2) = (-x+1) - 1 \text{ or } 2 \operatorname{div}(-x+1, 2) = -x+1 \} \}$
true if $-x+1 \geq 0$

Loops

Loop Invariant

A **loop invariant** is one that always holds at the top of the loop:

```
{{ Inv: I }}  
while (cond)  
  S
```

- It holds when we first get to the loop.
- It holds each time we execute S and come back to the top.

Notation: I'll use "Inv:" to indicate a loop invariant.

While-Loop Rule

Consider a while-loop (other loop forms not too different):

$$\{\{ P \}\} \text{ while } (\text{cond}) \text{ S } \{\{ Q \}\}$$

This triple is valid iff: there is a loop invariant I such that

$\{\{ P \}\}$	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• I holds initially• I holds each time we execute S• Q holds when I holds and cond is false
$\{\{ \text{Inv: } I \}\}$	
<code>while (cond)</code>	
<code> S</code>	
$\{\{ Q \}\}$	

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$$\{\{ \text{Inv: } I \}\}$$
$$\text{while } (\text{cond})$$
$$\text{S}$$
$$\{\{ Q \}\}$$

- P implies I
- I holds each time we execute S
- Q holds when I holds and cond is false

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$$\text{while } (\text{cond})$$
$$\text{S}$$
$$\{Q\}$$

- P implies I
- $\{I \text{ and } \text{cond}\} \text{ S } \{I\}$ is valid
- Q holds when I holds and cond is false

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<code>while (cond)</code>	• (I and not cond) implies Q
S	
$\{Q\}$	

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S	
$\{Q\}$	

More on Loop Invariants

- We need a loop invariant to check validity of a while loop.
- There is no automatic way to generate these.
 - (A theory course will explain why...)
- For this lecture, all loop invariants will be given.
- Next lecture will discuss how to choose a loop invariant.
- Pro Tip: should almost always document your loop invariants
 - as we just saw, much easier for others to check your code
 - possible exception for loops that are “obvious”
- Pro Tip: with a good loop invariant, the code is easy to write

Example: sum of array

Consider the following code to compute $b[0] + \dots + b[n-1]$:

```
{{ b.length >= n }}  
s = 0;  
i = 0;  
while (i != n) {  
    s = s + b[i];  
    i = i + 1;  
}  
{{ s = b[0] + ... + b[n-1] }}
```

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    s = s + b[i];
    i = i + 1;
}
{{ s = b[0] + ... + b[n-1] }}

```

- $(s = 0 \text{ and } i = 0)$ implies $s = b[0] + \dots + b[i-1]$?

Yes. (An empty sum is zero.)

Example: sum of array

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{{ s = 0 and i = 0 }}
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    s = s + b[i];
    i = i + 1;
}
{{ s = b[0] + ... + b[n-1] }}

```

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Example: sum of array

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```

```
s = 0;
```

```
i = 0;
```

```
{{ Inv: s = b[0] + ... + b[i-1] }}
```

```
while (i != n) {
```

```
    {{ s = b[0] + ... + b[i-1] and i != n }}
```

```
    s = s + b[i];
```

```
    i = i + 1;
```

```
    {{ s = b[0] + ... + b[i-1] }}
```

```
}
```

```
{{ s = b[0] + ... + b[n-1] }}
```

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- $\{I \text{ and } i \neq n\} S \{I\}$?

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while (i != n) {
    {{ s = b[0] + ... + b[i-1] and i != n }}
    s = s + b[i];
    i = i + 1;
    {{ s = b[0] + ... + b[i-1] }}
}
{{ s = b[0] + ... + b[n-1] }}

```

- $(s = 0 \text{ and } i = 0)$ implies I
- $\{I \text{ and } i \neq n\} S \{I\}$?

Yes (e.g., by backward reasoning)

$\{s + b[i] = b[0] + \dots + b[i]\}$
 $\{s = b[0] + \dots + b[i]\}$

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}
{{ s = b[0] + ... + b[n-1] }}
```

- $(s = 0 \text{ and } i = 0)$ implies I
- $\{I \text{ and } i \neq n\} S \{I\}$
- $\{I \text{ and } i == n\}$ implies $s = b[0] + \dots + b[n-1]$?

Yes. (I is the postcondition when we have $i == n$.)

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    i = i + 1;
}
{{ s = b[0] + ... + b[n-1] }}
```

- $(s = 0 \text{ and } i = 0)$ implies I
- $\{I \text{ and } i \neq n\} S \{I\}$
- $\{I \text{ and } i == n\}$ implies Q

These three checks verify that the postcondition holds (i.e., the code is correct).

Termination

- Technically, this analysis does not check that the code **terminates**
 - it shows that the postcondition holds if the loop exits
 - but we never showed that the loop actually exits
- However, that follows from an analysis of the running time
 - e.g., if the code runs in $O(n^2)$ time, then it terminates
 - an infinite loop would be $O(\text{infinity})$
 - any finite bound on the running time proves it terminates
- It is normal to also analyze the running time of code we write, so we get termination already from that analysis.

Example: sum of array (attempt 2)

Consider the following code to compute $b[0] + \dots + b[n-1]$:

```
{{ b.length >= n }}  
s = 0;  
i = -1;  
while (i != n-1) {  
    i = i + 1;  
    s = s + b[i];  
}  
{{ s = b[0] + ... + b[n-1] }}
```

Example: sum of array (attempt 2)

Consider the following code to compute $b[0] + \dots + b[n-1]$:

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}
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```

- $(s = 0 \text{ and } i = -1)$ implies I
 - as before
- $\{I \text{ and } i \neq n-1\} S \{I\}$
 - reason backward:
 - $\{s + b[i+1] = b[0] + \dots + b[i+1]\}$
 - $\{s + b[i] = b[0] + \dots + b[i]\}$
- $(I \text{ and } i = n-1)$ implies Q
 - as before

Example: sum of array (attempt 3)

Consider the following code to compute $b[0] + \dots + b[n-1]$:

```
{ { b.length >= n } }  
s = 0;  
i = -1;  
{ { Inv: s = b[0] + ... + b[i] } }  
while (i != n) {  
    i = i + 1;  
    s = s + b[i];  
}  
{ { s = b[0] + ... + b[n-1] } }
```

Suppose we use $i \neq n$ instead of $i \neq n-1$...

We can spot this bug because the postcondition no longer follows.

When $i = n$, we get:

$$s = b[0] + \dots + b[n]$$

which is wrong

Example: sum of array (attempt 4)

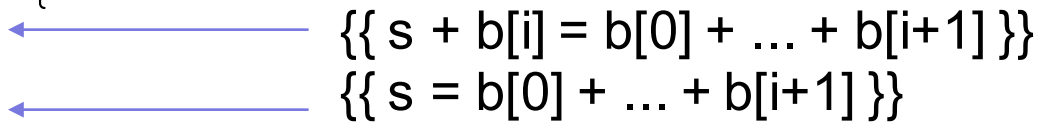
Consider the following code to compute $b[0] + \dots + b[n-1]$:

```

{{ b.length >= n }}
s = 0;
i = -1;
{{ Inv: s = b[0] + ... + b[i] }}
while (i != n-1) {
    s = s + b[i];
    i = i + 1;
}
{{ s = b[0] + ... + b[n-1] }}
```

Suppose we misorder the assignments to i and s ...

We can spot this bug because the invariant does not hold:



First assertion is not I.

Example: max of array

Consider the following code to compute $\max(b[0], \dots, b[n-1])$:

```
{{ b.length >= n and n > 0 }}  
m = b[0];  
i = 1;  
while (i != n) {  
    if (b[i] > m)  
        m = b[i];  
    i = i + 1;  
}  
{{ m = max(b[0], ..., b[n-1]) }}
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        m = b[i];  
    i = i + 1;  
}  
{ { m = max(b[0], ..., b[n-1]) } }
```

- I holds initially: $m = \max(b[0])$
- Postcondition follows from invariant and $i = n$.
- Remains to check loop body...

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{ { Inv: m = max(b[0], ..., b[i-1]) } }  
while (i != n) {  
    if (b[i] > m)  
        m = b[i];  
    ↑ { { m = max(b[0], ..., b[i]) } }  
    i = i + 1;  
    { { m = max(b[0], ..., b[i-1]) } }  
}
```

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        m = b[i];  
    else  
        ;  
    { { m = max(b[0], ..., b[i]) } }  
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        { { b[i] = max(b[0], ..., b[i]) }  
          m = b[i];  
          { { m = max(b[0], ..., b[i]) } }  
        }  
    else  
        { { m = max(b[0], ..., b[i]) }  
          ;  
          { { m = max(b[0], ..., b[i]) } }  
        }  
    i = i + 1;  
}
```

Example: max of array

Consider the following code to compute $\max(b[0], \dots, b[n-1])$:

```
{ { Inv:  $m = \max(b[0], \dots, b[i-1])$  } }  
while (i != n) {  
    { { ( $b[i] > m$  and  $b[i] = \max(b[0], \dots, b[i])$ ) or  
      ( $b[i] \leq m$  and  $m = \max(b[0], \dots, b[i])$ ) } } } check that I implies this...  
    if (b[i] > m) (requires some thought)  
    { {  $b[i] = \max(b[0], \dots, b[i])$  } }  
    m = b[i];  
    else  
    { {  $m = \max(b[0], \dots, b[i])$  } }  
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        m = b[i];  
    else  
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    i = i + 1;  
}
```

- invariant is preserved by the loop body

Example: max of array

Consider code to compute `indexOfMax(b[0], ..., b[n-1])`:

```
{ { b.length >= n and n > 0 } }
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while (i != n) {
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```

↓

```

{{ m = b[0] and k = 0 and i = 1 }}
{{ m = max(b[0], ..., b[0]) and m = b[k] }}

```

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  }
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{{ m = max(b[0], ..., b[n-1]) and m = b[k] }}
```

- I holds initially

← {{ m = max(b[0], ..., b[i-1]) and m = b[k] and i = n }} implies

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    k = i;
    m = b[k];
    {{ m = max(b[0], ..., b[i]) and m = b[k] }}
  } else {
    {{ m = max(b[0], ..., b[i]) and m = b[k] }}
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    m = b[k];
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    k = i;
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```
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```
m = b[k];
```

```
i = 1;
```

```
{{ Inv: m = max(b[0], ..., b[i-1]) and m = b[k] }}
```

```
while (i != n) {
```

```
  {{ (b[i] > m) and b[i] = max(b[0], ..., b[i]) or
```

```
    (b[i] <= m) and m = max(b[0], ..., b[i]) and m = b[k] }}
```

```
  if (b[i] > m) {
```

```
    k = i;
```

```
    m = b[k];
```

```
  }
```

```
  i = i + 1;
```

```
}
```

- I holds initially

- I and $i = n$ implies postcondition

Remains to show that I is stronger than this (i.e., I implies this):

- if $b[i] > m = \max(b[0], \dots, b[i-1])$, then $b[i] = \max(b[0], \dots, b[i])$
- if $b[i] \leq m = \max(b[0], \dots, b[i-1])$, then $m = \max(b[0], \dots, b[i])$

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    m = b[k];
  }
  i = i + 1;
}
{{ m = max(b[0], ..., b[n-1]) and m = b[k] }}
```

- I holds initially
- I and $i = n$ implies postcondition
- I holds after loop body

Example: partition array

Consider the following code to put the negative values at the beginning of array `b`:

```
{{ }}
i = k = 0;
while (i != n) {
    if (b[i] < 0) {
        swap b[i], b[k];
        k = k + 1;
    }
    i = i + 1;
}
{{ b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[n-1] }}
```

(Also: `b` contains the same numbers since we use swaps.)

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        k = k + 1;
    }
    i = i + 1;
}
{ { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[n-1] }}
```

- I holds initially:
 - $b[0], \dots, b[-1]$ is empty
- I and $i = n$ implies postcondition

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    if (b[i] < 0) {  
        swap b[i], b[k];  
        k = k + 1;  
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        k = k + 1;  
    }  
    { { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[i] } }  
    i = i + 1;  
}  
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```

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    if (b[i] < 0) {  
        swap b[i], b[k];  
        k = k + 1;  
    }  
    { { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[i] } }  
    i = i + 1;  
}  
{ { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[n-1] } }
```



- I holds initially
- I and $i = n$ implies postcondition

Example: partition array

Consider the following code to put the negative values at the beginning of array b :

```
{ { }  
i = k = 0;  
{ { Inv: b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[i-1] } }  
while (i != n) {  
  if (b[i] < 0) {  
    → { { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[i-1] and b[i] < 0 } }  
    swap b[i], b[k];  
    k = k + 1;  
    → { { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[i] } }  
  } else {  
    → { { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[i-1] and b[i] >= 0 } }  
    → { { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[i] } }  
  }  
  i = i + 1;  
}
```

- I holds initially
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while (i != n) {  
  if (b[i] < 0) {  
    { { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[i-1] and b[i] < 0 } }  
    swap b[i], b[k];  
    k = k + 1;  
    { { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[i] } }  
  } else {  
    { { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[i-1] and b[i] >= 0 } }  
    { { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[i] } }  
  }  
  i = i + 1;  
}
```

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- I and $i = n$ implies postcondition

equivalent

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    { { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[i-1] and b[i] < 0 }}
    swap b[i], b[k];
    k = k + 1;
    { { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[i] }}
  }
  i = i + 1;
}
{ { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[n-1] }}
```

- I holds initially
- I and $i = n$ implies postcondition

Remain to check this...

Example: partition array

Consider the following code to put the negative values at the beginning of array b :

```
{ { }}
i = k = 0;
{ { Inv: b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[i-1] }}
while (i != n) {
  if (b[i] < 0) {
    { { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[i-1] and b[i] < 0 }}
    swap b[i], b[k];
    k = k + 1;
    { { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[i] }}
  }
  i = i + 1;
}
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while (i != n) {
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    { { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[i-1] and b[i] < 0 }}
    swap b[i], b[k];
    { { b[0], ..., b[k] < 0 <= b[k+1], ..., b[i] }}
    k = k + 1;
  }
  i = i + 1;
}
{ { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[n-1] }}
```

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This is a valid triple.
(Takes some thought.)

Example: partition array

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while (i != n) {
    if (b[i] < 0) {
        swap b[i], b[k];
        k = k + 1;
    }
    i = i + 1;
}
{ { b[0], ..., b[k-1] < 0 <= b[k], ..., b[n-1] }}
```

- I holds initially
- I and $i = n$ implies postcondition
- I holds after loop body