#### CSE 331 Software Design & Implementation

#### Autumn 2023 Section 6 – Imperative Programming I

# Administrivia

- HW6 released later today
  - Due Wednesday (11/8) @ 11:00pm

# Hoare Triples – Review

- A Hoare Triple has 2 assertions and some code {{ P }}
  - S {{ Q }}
  - P is a precondition, Q is the postcondition
  - S is the code
- Triple is "valid" if the code is correct:
  - S takes any state satisfying P into a state satisfying Q
    - Does not matter what the code does if P does not hold initially

### Stronger vs Weaker – Review

- Assertion is stronger iff it holds in a subset of states
  - **Stronger** assertion implies the **weaker** one:

If  $Q_2$  is true,  $Q_1$  must also be true,  $Q_2 \rightarrow Q_1$ 



- Different from strength in *specifications*:
  - A stronger spec:
    - Stronger postcondition: guarantees more specific output
    - Weaker precondition: handles more allowable inputs compared to a weaker one

# Forward Reasoning – Review

- Forwards reasoning fills in the postcondition
  - Gives strongest postcondition making the triple valid
- Apply forward reasoning to fill in R



Check second triple by proving that R implies Q

#### **Question 1a**



#### **Question 1b**

 $\{ \{ x < 3 \} \}$  y = x + 4;  $\{ \{ \_ \\ + 4; \\ \{ \{ \_ \\ + 2 + x; \\ \{ \{ \_ \\ + x; \\ + x; \\ \{ \{ \_ \\ + x; \\ + x; \\ + x; \\ \{ \{ \_ \\ + x; \\$ 

# **Backward Reasoning – Review**

- Backwards reasoning fills in preconditions
  - Just use substitution!
  - Gives weakest precondition making the triple valid
- Apply backwards reasoning to fill in R



- Check first triple by proving that P implies R
- Good example problems in section worksheet!

# **Conditionals – Review**

- Reason through "then" and "else" branches independently
- Prove that each implies post condition

```
const g = (n: number): number => {
  {{}}
                                     {{}}
  let m;
                                     let m;
  if (n >= 0) {
                                     if (n >= 0) {
    m = 2*n + 1;
                                       m = 2*n + 1;
  } else {
                                     } else {
    m = 0;
                                       m = 0;
  \{\{m > n\}\}
                                     \{\{m > n\}\}
  return m;
                                     return m;
}
```

# **Question 3b**

Fill in the assertions for the "then" and "else" branches. Then complete two arguments showing that each postcondition implies {{s ≥ 1}}

$$\{\{s \neq t \text{ and } t > 0\}\}$$
  
if (s >= t) {  
 s = s / t;  
} else {  
 s = t - s;  
}  
$$\{\{s \ge 1\}\}$$

#### Question 3b – "then" branch



#### Question 3b – "else" branch



# Loop Invariant – Review



- Loop invariant must be true <u>every time</u> at the top of the loop
  - The first time (before any iterations) and for the beginning of each iteration
- Also true every time at the bottom of the loop
  - Meaning it's true immediately after the loop exits
- During the body of the loop (during **S**), it isn't true
- Must use "Inv" notation to indicate that it's not a standard assertion

### Well-Known Facts About Lists

- Feel free to cite these in your proofs! They're easily proven by structural induction (and you don't have to do that again)
- Lemma 2: concat(L, nil) = L for any list L
- Lemma 3: rev(rev(L)) = L for any list L
- Lemma 4: concat(concat(L, R), S)
   = concat(L concat(R S)) for any list

= concat(L, concat(R, S)) for any lists L, R, S

# Question 4

Prove that the following code correctly calculates sum - abs(L)



Prove that the invariant is true at top of loop the first time

```
let s: number = 0;
       {{ Inv: s + \text{sum-abs}(L) = \text{sum-abs}(L_0) }}
(a)
        while (L !== nil) {
           if (L.hd < 0) {
               s = s + -L.hd;
           } else {
               s = s + L.hd;
           }
           L = L.tl;
        }
       \{\{s = sum-abs(L_0)\}\}
```

(b)

Prove that, when we exit the loop, the postcondition holds

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    if (L.hd < 0) {
        s = s + -L.hd;
    } else {
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    }
    L = L.tl;
 }
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• Then, forward reasoning through the "then" branch



• Then, forward reasoning through the "else" branch

Then check that the "then" branch implies the post condition:

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# Question 6

- (a) Give the invariant for the loop, based on the "bottom-up" template for lists
- (b) How do we initialize the variables so the invariant is true initially?

# Question 6

(c) When do we exit the loop? What should the condition of the while be?

(d) Generally, the template says we move down the list with L = L.tl. swap processes 2 elements of the list at at time, so our loop should do the same. Write the loop body that does this and maintains the invariant: