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You are allowed to bring along the Appendix of the LN.

Part I [3pt (6 × 0.5)]

For each question, choose *one* correct answer.

1. What is the **weakest** pre-condition of the following statement with respect to the given post-condition?

$$\{ * ? * \} \quad x := x+y ; y := x+3 \quad \{ * xy = 0 ; * \}$$

- (a) $x^2 + y^2 + 2xy + 3x + 3y = 0$
- (b) $2x^2 + 9x + 9 = 0$
- (c) $(x+y)(x+3) = 0$
- (d) $(x = 0) \wedge (y = 0)$

Answer: Just do the substitution (in the correct order). If you simplify the result, the answer is (a).

2. What is the **weakest** pre-condition of the following statement with respect to the given post-condition?

$$\{ * ? * \} \quad a[0] := a[0] - a[k] \quad \{ * a[k]=0 * \}$$

- (a) $a[k] = 0$
- (b) $k = 0$
- (c) $(k=0 \rightarrow a[0]-a[k] \mid a[k]) = 0$
- (d) $a(0 \text{ repby } (a \text{ repby } 0) - (a \text{ repby } k))[k] = 0$

Answer: c

3. Consider the following program to search for a prime number between a and b . It's body is not fully shown: *body* below is some statement, and e is some expression. The parameter a is passed by value, and b by copy-restore. The *body* is known to modify a and b .

$$\text{find}(a : \text{int}, \text{OUT } b : \text{int}) : \text{bool} \{ \text{body} ; \text{return } e \}$$

Here is the specification of the program:

$$\{ * 0 < a \leq b * \}$$

$$B_0 := b ; \text{find}(a, \text{OUT } b)$$

$$\{ * (\text{return} = (\exists x : a \leq x < B_0 : \text{isPrime}(x))) \wedge (\text{return} \Rightarrow \text{isPrime}(b)) * \}$$

Which of the following specifications is a correct reduction of the above specification to the corresponding specification of the program's body?

(a) $\{ * 0 < a \leq b * \}$

$$\text{body} ; \text{return} := e$$

$$\{ * (\text{return} = (\exists x : \boxed{a} \leq x < \boxed{b} : \text{isPrime}(x))) \wedge (\text{return} \Rightarrow \text{isPrime}(\boxed{b})) * \}$$

(b) $\{ * 0 < a \leq b * \}$

$$B_0 := b ; \text{body} ; \text{return} := e$$

$$\{ * (\text{return} = (\exists x : \boxed{a} \leq x < \boxed{B_0} : \text{isPrime}(x))) \wedge (\text{return} \Rightarrow \text{isPrime}(\boxed{B_0})) * \}$$

(c) $\{ * 0 < a \leq b * \}$

$$A_0, B_0 := a, b ; \text{body} ; \text{return} := e$$

$$\{ * (\text{return} = (\exists x : \boxed{A_0} \leq x < \boxed{B_0} : \text{isPrime}(x))) \wedge (\text{return} \Rightarrow \text{isPrime}(\boxed{b})) * \}$$

(d) $\{ * 0 < a \leq b * \}$

$$A_0, B_0 := a, b ; \text{body} ; \text{return} := e$$

$$\{ * (\text{return} = (\exists x : \boxed{A_0} \leq x < \boxed{b} : \text{isPrime}(x))) \wedge (\text{return} \Rightarrow \text{isPrime}(\boxed{b})) * \}$$

Answer: c

4. Which of the following proofs is correct (according to the proof system of the LN)? Read the steps carefully.

(a) PROOF

[A1:] $(\forall x :: P x)$
 [A2:] $Q x$
 [G:] $(\forall x :: P x \wedge Q x)$
 1. { \forall -elimination on A1 } $P x$
 2. { conjunction of 1 and A2 } $P x \wedge Q x$
 3. { \forall -introduction on 2 } $(\forall x :: P x \wedge Q x)$
 END

(b) PROOF

[A1:] $a = b$
 [G:] $a \vee (\exists k :: x[k]) = b \vee (\exists k :: x[k])$
 1. { \vee -introduction } $a \vee (\exists k :: x[k])$
 2. { \vee -introduction } $b \vee (\exists k :: x[k])$
 3. { combining 1 and 2 } $a \vee (\exists k :: x[k]) = b \vee (\exists k :: x[k])$
 END

(c) PROOF

[A1:] $(\exists x :: P x)$
 [A2:] $Q a$
 [G:] $(\exists a :: P a \wedge Q a)$
 1. { \exists -elimination on A1 } $P a$
 2. { conjunction of 1 and A2 } $P a \wedge Q a$
 3. { \exists -introduction on 2 } $(\exists a :: P a \wedge Q a)$
 END

(d) PROOF

[A1:] $\neg(\exists x :: P x)$
 [A2:] $P a$
 [G:] $false$
 1. { \exists -introduction on A2 } $(\exists a :: P a)$
 2. { contradiction between A1 and 1 } $false$
 END

Answer: d

5. A statement S satisfies the following specifications:

- (a) $\{ * P * \} S \{ * Q_1 * \}$
 (b) $\{ * Q_2 * \} S \{ * R * \}$, where $Q_2 \Rightarrow Q_1$ (note the direction!)

Which of the following specifications is a valid consequence of (a) and (b) above?

- (a) $\{ * P * \} S; S \{ * R * \}$
 (b) $\{ * P \wedge Q_2 * \} S \{ * Q_1 \wedge R * \}$
 (c) $\{ * P \vee Q_2 * \} S \{ * Q_1 \wedge R * \}$
 (d) $\{ * P * \} S; S \{ * Q_2 \Rightarrow R * \}$

Answer: b

6. Consider the loop below; x is of type `int` and `even(x)` is a side-effect-free function that checks if x is an even integer.

```
{* 1 < x < N *}

while x < N do { if even(x) then x := 2 * x else x := x - 1 }

{* even(x) *}
```

Which of the predicates below is a correct invariant of the loop, that is enough to prove that the above specification is valid, under the partial correctness interpretation?

- (a) $1 < x \wedge (\exists x :: \text{even}(x))$
- (b) $(\text{even}(x) \Rightarrow \text{even}(2x)) \wedge (\neg \text{even}(x) \Rightarrow \text{even}(x - 1))$
- (c) $1 < x \leq N \wedge \text{even}(x)$
- (d) $x \geq N \Rightarrow \text{even}(x)$

Answer: a and b won't imply the post condition; c is not implied by the pre-condition. The candidate left is d. It implies the post-condition, and can be established by the pre-condition. Calculating its wp over the loop's body gives:

$$(\text{even}(x) \Rightarrow (2x \geq N \Rightarrow \text{even}(2x))) \wedge (\neg \text{even}(x) \Rightarrow (x-1 \geq N \Rightarrow \text{even}(x-1)))$$

The first conjunct is valid due to $\text{even}(2x)$. The second conjunct is implied by the guard $x < N$, which implies that $x-1 \geq N$ cannot be true.

So, the answer is indeed (d).

Part II [7pt]

When asked to write a formal proof you need to produce one that is readable, augmented with sufficient comments to explain and convincingly defend your steps. An incomprehensible solution may lose all points.

1. [1.5 pt] **Termination**

Consider again this program, with the same pre-condition:

```
{* 1 < x < N *}

while x < N do { if even(x) then x := 2 * x else x := x - 1 }
```

Use the Loop Reduction Rule (the inference rule for loop as discussed in the lectures) to prove that this program terminates when executed on the given pre-condition. You only need to prove termination; we do not care in which state the program would terminate.

Answer: Using $I : 1 < x$ and $m = \text{even}(x) \rightarrow N-x \mid N+2$. Implicitly $N > 1$ is part of the invariant, since the loop does not change the value of N .

If the guard $x < N$ is true, $N-x$ as well as $N+2$ are > 0 . So, m has a lower bound.

To show that m decreases, we calculate the weakest pre-condition of:

$$1 < x \wedge x < N \Rightarrow \text{wp}(C := m ; \text{body}) (m < C)$$

Calculating the wp gives:

$$\begin{aligned} & (\text{even}(x) \Rightarrow (\text{even}(2x) \rightarrow N-2x \mid N+2) < (\text{even}(x) \rightarrow N-x \mid N+2)) \\ & \wedge \\ & (\neg \text{even}(x) \Rightarrow (\text{even}(x-1) \rightarrow N-2x+2 \mid N+2) < (\text{even}(x) \rightarrow N-x \mid N+2)) \end{aligned}$$

This can be simplified to:

$$(\text{even}(x) \Rightarrow N-2x < N-x) \wedge (\neg \text{even}(x) \Rightarrow N-2x+2 < N+2)$$

Both conjuncts are implied by the pre-condition $1 < x$.

It remains to be proven that the invariant $i < x$ can be maintained. Calculating the wp gives us:

$$(\text{even}(x) \Rightarrow 1 < 2x) \wedge (\neg \text{even}(x) \Rightarrow 1 < x-1)$$

The left conjunct is obviously implied by $I : 1 < x$. For the second conjunct, notice that if x is odd, and $1 < x$, then $x \geq 3$. So, $x-1 > 1$.

Done.

2. [3 pt] **Loop**

Here is a program to check if all elements of an array $a[0..N]$ are the same.

```
{* N > 0 *} // pre-condition

i := 1 ;
uniform := true ;
while i < N do {
    uniform := uniform ∧ (a[i]=a[0]) ;
    i := i+1
} ;

{* uniform = (∀k : 0 ≤ k < N : a[k] = a[0]) *} // post-condition
```

Give a formal proof that the program is correct. You can skip the termination proof.

Answer: Grading: 0.5 pt Pinit, 2 pt PIC, 0.5 pt EC. No separate point for the invariant; wrong invariant will show up in the proofs anyway.

Bad proof styles (BPS): deduction up to 1 pt.

Incorrect inv: 0.3 pt to maximum.

We'll use this invariant I :

$$1 \leq i \leq N \wedge (u = (\forall k : 0 \leq k < i : a[k] = a[0]))$$

Here, I will only give a **sketch** of the proof. PEC is quite trivial. For Pinit, we have to prove:

$$N > 0 \Rightarrow \text{wp}(i := 1 ; u := \text{true}) I$$

Calculating the wp gives:

$$1 \leq i \leq N \wedge (\text{true} = (\forall k : 0 \leq k < i : a[k] = a[0]))$$

which is not difficult to prove.

For PIC we have to prove:

$$I \wedge i < N \Rightarrow \text{wp} (u := u \wedge (a[i] = a[0]) ; i := i+1) I$$

Calculating the wp gives:

$$1 \leq i+1 \leq N \wedge (u \wedge (a[i] = a[0]) = (\forall k : 0 \leq k < i+1 : a[k] = a[0]))$$

The first conjunct is not difficult to prove. For the second conjunct:

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$$\begin{aligned} & (\forall k : 0 \leq k < i+1 : a[k] = a[0]) \\ &= \{ \text{domain merge, } 0 \leq i \} \\ & (\forall k : 0 \leq k < i \vee (k = i) : a[k] = a[0]) \\ &= \{ \text{domain split} \} \\ & (\forall k : 0 \leq k < i : a[k] = a[0]) \wedge (\forall k : k = i : a[k] = a[0]) \\ &= \{ I \} \\ & u \wedge (\forall k : k = i : a[k] = a[0]) \\ &= \{ \text{quantification over singleton} \} \\ & u \wedge (a[i] = a[0]) \\ & \text{END} \end{aligned}$$

3. [1.5 pt] Adding a break

The program from No. 2 can be improved by letting the loop to break when $a[i-1] \neq a[0]$:

```

{ * N > 0 * } // pre-condition

i := 1 ;
uniform := true ;
while i < N  $\wedge$  a[i-1] = a[0] do {
    uniform := uniform  $\wedge$  (a[i] = a[0]) ;
    i := i+1
} ;

{ * uniform = ( $\forall k : 0 \leq k < N : a[k] = a[0]$ ) * } // post-condition

```

Give a new formal proof of the loop Exit Condition, that will prove that using the same invariant as in No. 2, the version above will also terminate in the specified post-condition above.

(You only need to give a new PEC proof)

Answer:

PROOF PEC

$$[A1:] u = (\forall k : 0 \leq k < i : a[k] = a[0])$$

$$[A2:] 1 \leq i \leq N$$

- [A4:] $i \geq N \vee a[i-1] \neq a[0]$
[G:] $u = (\forall k : 0 \leq k < N : a[k] = a[0])$
1. { this was already proven in No. 2 } $i \geq N \Rightarrow G$
2. { see subproof below } $(a[i-1] \neq a[0]) \Rightarrow G$

PROOF sub

- [A1:] $a[i-1] \neq a[0]$
[G:] same as PEC.G
1. { follows from PEC.A2 } $0 \leq i-1 < i$
2. { follows from PEC.A2 } $0 \leq i-1 < N$
3. { \exists -intro on 1 and A1 } $(\exists k : 0 \leq k < i : a[k] \neq a[0])$
4. { \exists -intro on 2 and A1 } $(\exists k : 0 \leq k < N : a[k] \neq a[0])$
5. { negation of \forall on 3 } $\neg(\forall k : 0 \leq k < i : a[k] = a[0])$
6. { negation of \forall on 4 } $\neg(\forall k : 0 \leq k < N : a[k] = a[0])$
7. { rewrite 5 with PEC.A1 } $\neg u$
8. { 5 and 7 } $\neg u = \neg(\forall k : 0 \leq k < N : a[k] = a[0])$
9. { follows from 8 } $u = (\forall k : 0 \leq k < N : a[k] = a[0])$
END

END

4. [1 pt] **Program call**

Consider the following specification of the program P:

$$\{ * y > 0 * \} \quad Y := y; P(x:\text{int}, \text{OUT } y:\text{int}) \quad \{ * (\text{return}+y)/Y > x * \}$$

Consider this call to P:

$$\{ * k > 0 * \} \quad r := P(k-2, k) \quad \{ * r+k > 0 * \}$$

To prove the correctness of the call, we first transform the call to the following equivalent statement:

$$\begin{aligned} & \{ * k > 0 * \} \\ & \{ * (1) ? * \} \quad @x := k-2 ; \\ & \{ * (2) ? * \} \quad @y := k ; \\ & \{ * (3) ? * \} \quad r := P(@x, @y) ; \\ & \{ * (4) ? * \} \quad k := @y ; \\ & \{ * r+k > 0 * \} \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Fill in the intermediate predicates (1)..(4) above. Calculate them using the weakest-precondition function, and for (3) use the Black Box reduction rule for program call.

Just give the answers; you do not have to show the calculation.

Answer: For the purpose of applying the Black Box rule, you can treat the special variable `return` as if it is an implicit OUT-parameter. So, it is as if P has this header: $P(x, \text{OUT } y, \text{OUT } \text{return})$, and the call $r := P(@x, @y)$ can be seen as $P(@x, @y, r)$.

$$\begin{aligned} 4 & : \quad r + @y > 0 \\ 3 & : \quad @y > 0 \wedge ((r' + y')/@y > @x \Rightarrow r' + y' > 0) \\ 2 & : \quad k > 0 \wedge ((r' + y')/k > @x \Rightarrow r' + y' > 0) \\ 1 & : \quad k > 0 \wedge ((r' + y')/k > k-2 \Rightarrow r' + y' > 0) \end{aligned}$$

(b) Based on your calculation above, is the call correct? Motivate your answer.

Answer: No. The implication in the second conjunct is not implied by the given pre-condition. For example if both r' and y' are 0, then $r' + y'$ is not > 0 .