

Q1.

$x:=y-z;$

if($x<5$) then

$x:=y*z;$

else

$x:=y-z;$

Solution:

We can calculate $x:=y-z;$ and $x:=y*z;$ with $Q \equiv \{x>0\}$ first, we obtain:

1. $\{y*z>0\} x:=y*z \{x>0\}$

2. $\{y-z>0\} x:=y-z; \{x>0\}$

Now we calculate the weakest precondition of **the if rule**. Based on 1. $\{y-z>0\}$ and 2. $\{y*z>0\}$, we obtain

3. $\{y*z>0 \wedge x<5\} \vee \{y-z>0 \wedge x \geq 5\}$ the if statement $\{x>0\}$

Then, we calculate the weakest precondition of **the $x:=y-z;$** Based on 3. $\{y*z>0 \wedge x<5\} \vee \{y-z>0 \wedge x \geq 5\}$

4. $\{(y*z>0 \wedge y-z<5) \vee (y-z>0 \wedge y-z \geq 5)\} x:=y-z; \{y*z>0 \wedge x<5\} \vee \{y-z>0 \wedge x \geq 5\}$

Finally, we have:

5. $\{y*z>0 \wedge y-z<5\} \vee \{y-z>0 \wedge y-z \geq 5\} \text{ C } \{x>0\}$

Which equivalent to $P \equiv \{y*z>0 \wedge y-z<5\} \vee \{y-z \geq 5\}$

Q2.

$i := 0;$

$j := \text{len}(\text{arr}) - 1;$

while $i \leq j$:

if $\text{arr}[i] \leq \text{arr}[0]$:

$i := i + 1;$

else:

$\text{tmp} := \text{arr}[i];$

$\text{arr}[i] := \text{arr}[j];$

$\text{arr}[j] := \text{tmp};$

$j := j - 1;$

Solution:

The postcondition is a rigorous restatement of the loop goal, which says all elements $\text{arr}[0 .. j]$ are less than or equal to $\text{arr}[0]$, and all elements $\text{arr}[j + 1 .. \text{len}(\text{arr}) - 1]$ are greater than $\text{arr}[0]$.

$$Q = \forall x (0 \leq x \leq j \rightarrow \text{arr}[x] \leq \text{arr}[0]) \wedge \forall y (j < y < \text{len}(\text{arr}) \rightarrow \text{arr}[y] > \text{arr}[0])$$

The loop invariant is based on a partial partitioning of the array.

$$P = \forall x (0 \leq x < i \rightarrow \text{arr}[x] \leq \text{arr}[0]) \wedge \forall y (j < y < \text{len}(\text{arr}) \rightarrow \text{arr}[y] > \text{arr}[0]) \wedge i \leq j + 1$$

Note that before the first iteration this is satisfied because $\text{arr}[0] \leq \text{arr}[0]$ and there are no elements in the range $j + 1 .. \text{len}(\text{arr}) - 1$. The loop condition (b) guarantees that $i \leq j$.

In each iteration one of two things happens:

- i is incremented when $\text{arr}[i] \leq \text{arr}[0]$ – this leaves $i \leq j + 1$, and all elements up to index i are $\leq \text{arr}[0]$
- j is decremented when $\text{arr}[i] > \text{arr}[0]$, but only after swapping the item at i with the item at j . This leaves $i \leq j + 1$, and all elements down to index j are $> \text{arr}[0]$

After termination, we know (by the invariant) that $i \leq j + 1$, and by the negation of the loop condition ($\neg b$), that $i > j$. This implies that $i = j + 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} P \wedge \neg b &= \forall x (0 \leq x < i \rightarrow \text{arr}[x] \leq \text{arr}[0]) \\ &\quad \wedge \forall y (j < y < \text{len}(\text{arr}) \rightarrow \text{arr}[y] > \text{arr}[0]) \\ &\quad \wedge i = j + 1 \end{aligned}$$

If we just replace i with $j + 1$ in the quantified portions of the proposition, then we see that $P \wedge \neg b \rightarrow Q$ directly.