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Instructions

Answer 3 questions.
All questions will be marked equally.

Duration	2hrs
No. of Answer Books	1

Requirements

Handout	_____
MCQ	_____
Statistical Tables	_____
Graph Paper	_____
Log Graph Paper	_____
Other Material	_____

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1. (a) Explain what is meant by the derived inference rule

$$\frac{\vdash \{P\} C \{Q\} \quad \vdash [P] C [T]}{\vdash [P] C [Q]}$$

Does the converse hold?

- (b) Calculate the results of carrying out the following substitutions:

- (i) $(X^3 - 3 * X)[X - 1/X]$
- (ii) $(X + Y)[Y, X/X, Y]$
- (iii) $(X + Y)[X/Y][Y/X]$
- (iv) $(Z \leq Y)[X + Z/Z][X + Z, Y/Y, X]$

- (c) For all variables in the following expressions, state whether they are free or bound:

- (i) $(\forall x. (\exists y. P(x) \Rightarrow Q(y)) \wedge \neg R(z, x))$
- (ii) $P(x, y) \vee (\exists z. Q(x)) \Rightarrow R(z)$
- (iii) $\forall x. ((y \geq 1) \wedge (x \geq y)) \wedge \forall z. (\neg(z = 1))$

2. (a) Prove:

$$\begin{aligned} &\vdash \{A[X] = x \wedge A[Y] = y \wedge X \neq Y\} \\ &\quad \mathbf{A}[X] := \mathbf{A}[X] + \mathbf{A}[Y]; \\ &\quad \mathbf{A}[Y] := \mathbf{A}[X] - \mathbf{A}[Y]; \\ &\quad \mathbf{A}[X] := \mathbf{A}[X] - \mathbf{A}[Y] \\ &\quad \{A[X] = y \wedge A[Y] = x\} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Explain the distinction between

- (i) Specification and Implementation
- (ii) Partial and Total Correctness
- (iii) Axiom and Theorem

- (c) Explain the meaning of the notation $wp(C, Q)$ used in Weakest Precondition Semantics, with Code C and Postcondition Q .

3. (a) Explain the meaning of the following Floyd Hoare specifications (here, **T** stands for **TRUE** and **F** stands for **FALSE**):

- (i) $\vdash [\mathbf{T}]C[\mathbf{T}]$
- (ii) $\vdash \{\mathbf{T}\}C\{\mathbf{T}\}$
- (iii) $\vdash \{P\}C\{\mathbf{T}\}$
- (iv) $\vdash [\mathbf{F}]C[Q]$
- (v) $\vdash [\mathbf{T}]C[\mathbf{F}]$

Only one of these specifications actually requires further details (on precondition P , code C , postcondition Q) to verify its correctness. State which specification this is, and state whether the other four specifications are correct or not.

- (b) Prove the following formulas of Floyd Hoare logic:

- (i) $\{(2 \times X) > 2\} X := X - 1; \quad X := X + X \{X \geq 0\}$
- (ii) $\{\mathit{True}\} \mathbf{A} := \mathbf{Y}; \quad \mathbf{Z} := 1 \{Z = X^{Y-A}\}$
- (iii) $\{Y = n \wedge X = m\}$
 $\mathbf{X} := \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}; \quad \mathbf{Y} := \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{Y}; \quad \mathbf{X} := \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{Y}$
 $\{X = n \wedge Y = m\}$

4. (a) Prove:

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⊢ {X = n ∧ X ≥ 0}
  Y := 1 ;
  WHILE X > 0 DO
    BEGIN Y := Y * X ; X := X - 1 END
  {Y = n!}
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given that $\vdash 0! = 1$ and $\vdash \forall n. n \geq 1 \Rightarrow n! = n \times (n - 1)!$.

(b) Prove:

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⊢ [Y > 0]
  R := X ; Q := 0 ;
  WHILE Y ≤ R DO
    BEGIN R := R - Y ; Q := Q + 1 END
  [X = Y × Q + R ∧ R < Y]
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(N.B.: this is a **total** correctness specification).

5. (a) In each of the following state which (if any) condition is stronger.

- (i) $x(x - 1) = 0$; $x = 0$
- (ii) $x > 2 - y$; $y - 1 > -x$
- (iii) $x = 6$; $x \neq 6$
- (iv) $P(4) = 6$; $(\exists y)P(y) = 6$

(b) Using Weakest Precondition Semantics, determine $WP(\mathbf{x}:=\mathbf{x}-1; \mathbf{x}:=\mathbf{x}*\mathbf{x}, x = 9)$.

(c) In Program Refinement we define $[P, Q] = \{C \mid \vdash [P]C[Q]\}$.

- (i) Prove that $[P, Q] \supseteq [R, Q]$ provided $\vdash P \Rightarrow R$.
- (ii) If $[P, Q] = C_1 C_2 C_3$ and $\#(C_i) = i + 2$, how many distinct refinements are there?

Supplementary Material – Axioms and Inference Rules

Assignment Axiom $\vdash \{P[E/I]\} I := E \{P\}$

Array Assignment Axiom $\vdash \{P[A\{E_1 \leftarrow E_2\}/A]\} A[E_1] := E_2 \{P\}$

Precondition Strengthening $\frac{\vdash P \Rightarrow Q \quad \vdash \{Q\} C \{R\}}{\vdash \{P\} C \{R\}}$

Postcondition Weakening $\frac{\vdash \{P\} C \{Q\} \quad \vdash Q \Rightarrow R}{\vdash \{P\} C \{R\}}$

Sequencing $\frac{\vdash \{P\} C_1 \{Q\} \quad \vdash \{Q\} C_2 \{R\}}{\vdash \{P\} C_1; C_2 \{R\}}$

Blocks $\frac{\vdash \{P\} C \{Q\}}{\vdash \{P\} \text{BEGIN } VAR I_1; \dots VAR I_n; C \text{END} \{Q\}}$

Two-Armed Conditional $\frac{\vdash \{P \wedge S\} C_1 \{Q\} \quad \vdash \{P \wedge \neg S\} C_2 \{Q\}}{\vdash \{P\} \text{IF } S \text{ THEN } C_1 \text{ ELSE } C_2 \{Q\}}$

One-Armed Conditional $\frac{\vdash \{P \wedge S\} C \{Q\} \quad \vdash (P \wedge \neg S) \Rightarrow Q}{\vdash \{P\} \text{IF } S \text{ THEN } C \{Q\}}$

While $\frac{\vdash \{P \wedge S\} C \{P\}}{\vdash \{P\} \text{WHILE } S \text{ DO } C \{P \wedge \neg S\}}$

Specification Conjunction $\frac{\vdash \{P_1\} C \{Q_1\} \quad \vdash \{P_2\} C \{Q_2\}}{\vdash \{P_1 \wedge P_2\} C \{Q_1 \wedge Q_2\}}$

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