# **Programm- & Systemverifikation**

**Hoare Logic** 

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# What happened so far

- How bugs come into being:
  - Fault cause of an error (e.g., mistake in coding)
  - ► Error incorrect state that may lead to failure
  - Failure deviation from desired behaviour
- We specified intended behaviour using assertions
- We proved our programs correct (inductive invariants).
- We learned how to test programs.
- We heard about logical formalisms:
  - Propositional Logic
  - First Order Logic

#### **Instructions and Assertions**

- FOL and derivations enable us to reason about assertions
- But what about instructions?
  - Currently, we can't refer to instructions in inference rules

# **Assigning Meaning to Programs [Floyd67]**



Robert W. Floyd (1936-2001)

- Used assertions to attach logical interpretations to programs
- proof "by induction on the number of commands executed"

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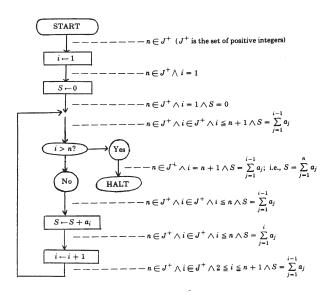


Figure 1. Flowchart of program to compute  $S = \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_j (n \ge 0)$ 

# An Axiomatic Basis for Computer Programming [Hoare69]



Sir Tony Hoare (1934–)

- "Hoare Logic" (aka Floyd-Hoare Logic)
- System of axioms and inference rules for program verification

# **Hoare Triples**

$$\{P\} \ C \ \{Q\}$$

# **Definition (Hoare Triple)**

A Hoare triple comprises a pre-condition, a statement, and a post-condition.

The Hoare Triple

$$\{P\} \ C \ \{Q\}$$

means that if C is executed in a state for which P holds, then Q is true for any state in which C may halt.

We refer to P as the *pre-condition* and to Q as the *post-condition* of the Hoare Triple.

# **Hoare Triples**

$$\{P\} \ C \ \{Q\}$$

As an FOL instance (schematic):

$$\forall x_0, y_0, \ldots, x_1, y_1, \ldots$$
  
 $P(x_0, y_0, \ldots) \land C(x_0, y_0, \ldots, x_1, y_1, \ldots) \rightarrow Q(x_1, y_1, \ldots)$ 

A Hoare triple characterizes the effect of commands on assertions

# **Hoare's Axioms: Skip statement**

$$\{P\}$$
 skip  $\{P\}$ 

- $\{x > 10\}$  skip  $\{x > 10\}$
- one example should really be enough ;-)

$$\{Q[E/x]\}\ x := E\ \{Q\}$$

#### Intuition:

- Q holds for new value of x
- E evaluated in old state determines new value of x
- ▶ Therefore, Q[E/x] must hold before execution

$$\{Q[E/x]\} x := E\{Q\}$$

- $> \{x > 10\} \ y := 10 \ \{x > y\}$
- $\{\exists z \,.\, z > x+1\} \ y := x+1 \ \{\exists x \,.\, x > y\}$ 
  - Rename quantified x to avoid clash!

Remember from our lecture on assertions:

```
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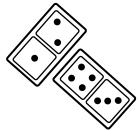
$$\frac{\{(x+1) \le 10\} \ x := x+1 \ \{x \le 10\} \ \{x \le 10\} \ y := 0 \ \{x \le 10\}}{\{(x+1) \le 10\} \ x := x+1; \ y := 0 \ \{x \le 10\}}$$

$$\frac{\{P\} \ C_1 \ \{R\} \qquad \{R\} \ C_2 \ \{Q\}}{\{P\} \ C_1; C_2 \ \{Q\}}$$

#### Example:

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Note: "intermediate" assertion must be exact match!



We have *implicitly* applied this before:

```
assert (x-1>y-1);
y = y-1;
assert (x-1>y);
assert (x-1>y);
x = x-1;
assert (x>y);
```

We have *implicitly* applied this before:

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```

```
x = x-1;
assert (x>y);
```

Enables us to eliminate intermediate assertions!

$$\frac{\{B \land P\} \ C_1 \ \{Q\} \qquad \{\neg B \land P\} \ C_2 \ \{Q\}}{\{P\} \ \text{if} \ B \ \text{then} \ C_1 \ \text{else} \ C_2 \ \{Q\}}$$

$$\frac{\{B \wedge P\} \ C_1 \ \{Q\} \qquad \{\neg B \wedge P\} \ C_2 \ \{Q\}}{\{P\} \ \text{if} \ B \ \text{then} \ C_1 \ \text{else} \ C_2 \ \{Q\}}$$

### Example:

$$\frac{\{\operatorname{even}(x)\} \ x := x + 1 \ \{\operatorname{odd}(x)\} \quad \{\neg \operatorname{even}(x)\} \ \operatorname{skip} \ \{\operatorname{odd}(x)\}}{\{\operatorname{true}\} \ \operatorname{if} \ (\operatorname{even}(x)) \ \operatorname{then} \ x := x + 1 \ \operatorname{else} \ \operatorname{skip} \ \{\operatorname{odd}(x)\}}$$

▶ Where (or what) is *P* in this example?

```
\frac{\{B \land P\} \ C_1 \ \{Q\} \qquad \{\neg B \land P\} \ C_2 \ \{Q\}}{\{P\} \ \text{if} \ B \ \text{then} \ C_1 \ \text{else} \ C_2 \ \{Q\}}
```

```
if (n % 2) then
  z = z + y;
else
  skip;

y = y * 2;

n = n / 2;
{ m * x = z + (n * y) }
```

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```
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y = y * 2;

\{m * x = z + (\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor * y)\}

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Need to prove:

$$\{(n\%2 = 1) \land (m * x = z + (n * y))\}$$

$$z = z + y$$

$$\{m * x = z + (\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor * 2 * y)\}$$

$$\{(n\%2 = 1) \land (m*x = z + (n*y))\}$$

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$$\{m*x = z + (\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor * 2 * y)\}$$

$$(n\%2 = 1) \wedge (m*x = z + (n*y))$$

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$$\{m * x = z + (\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor * 2 * y)\}$$

$$(n\%2 = 1) \land (m*x = z + (n*y))$$
  
=  $(n\%2 = 1) \land (m*x = z + y + ((n-1)*y))$ 

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Rewrite pre-condition:

$$(n\%2 = 1) \land (m*x = z + (n*y))$$

$$\equiv (n\%2 = 1) \land (m*x = z + y + ((n-1)*y))$$

$$\equiv (n\%2 = 1) \land \left(m*x = z + y + (\frac{n-1}{2}*2*y)\right)$$

$$\equiv (n\%2 = 1) \land \left(m*x = z + y + (\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor *2*y)\right)$$

Note: Using the assignment rule, we can prove the following:

$$\{m * x = z + y + \left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor * 2 * y\right)\}$$

$$z = z + y$$

$$\{m * x = z + \left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor * 2 * y\right)\}$$

But the pre-condition of

$$\{(n\%2 = 1) \land \left(m * x = z + y + \left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor * 2 * y\right)\right)\}$$

$$z = z + y$$

$$\{m * x = z + \left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor * 2 * y\right)\}$$

is stronger than the precondition of

$$\{m * x = z + y + \left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor * 2 * y\right)\}$$

$$z = z + y$$

$$\{m * x = z + \left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor * 2 * y\right)\}$$

#### **Hoare's Axioms: Consequence**

$$\frac{P' \rightarrow P \quad \{P\} \ S \ \{Q\} \quad Q \rightarrow Q'}{\{P'\} \ S \ \{Q'\}}$$

It is legal to

- strengthen pre-condition, and
- weaken the post-condition

Also allows us to combine Hoare Logic and FOL derivations:

$$\frac{\neg \operatorname{even}(x) \vdash \operatorname{odd}(x)}{\{\operatorname{even}(x)\} \ x := x + 1 \ \{\neg \operatorname{even}(x)\} } \frac{\neg \operatorname{even}(x) \vdash \operatorname{odd}(x)}{\neg \operatorname{even}(x) \to \operatorname{odd}(x)}$$
$$\{\operatorname{even}(x)\} \ x := x + 1 \ \{\operatorname{odd}(x)\}$$

and

$$\frac{\neg \operatorname{even}(x) \qquad \frac{\forall n . \operatorname{even}(n) \vee \operatorname{odd}(n)}{\operatorname{even}(x) \vee \operatorname{odd}(x)}}{\operatorname{odd}(x)}$$

# Hoare's Axioms: Previous Example Revisited

We are allowed to *strengthen* the pre-condition:

$$\left\{ \left( m * x = z + y + \left( \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor * 2 * y \right) \right) \right\}$$

$$z = z + y$$

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Since

$$(n\%2 = 1) \land \left(m * x = z + y + \left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor * 2 * y\right)\right) \equiv (n\%2 = 1) \land \left(m * x = z + (n * y)\right)$$

we obtain

$$\{(n\%2 = 1) \land \left(m * x = z + \left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor * 2 * y\right)\right)\}$$

$$z = z + y$$

$$\{m * x = z + \left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor * 2 * y\right)\}$$

$$\left\{m*x=z+\left(\left\lfloor\frac{n}{2}\right\rfloor*2*y\right)\right)\}\ \mathrm{skip}\ \left\{m*x=z+\left(\left\lfloor\frac{n}{2}\right\rfloor*2*y\right)\right\}$$

$$\{\left.\left(n\%2=0\right)\wedge\,\left(m*x=z+\left(\left\lfloor\frac{n}{2}\right\rfloor*2*y\right)\right)\}\;\mathrm{skip}\;\{m*x=z+\left(\left\lfloor\frac{n}{2}\right\rfloor*2*y\right)\}$$

$$\{(n\%2=0) \land (m*x=z+(\frac{n}{2}*2*y))\} \text{ skip } \{m*x=z+(\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor*2*y)\}$$

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#### **Hoare's Axioms: Example for Conditional Rule**

We can now apply

$$\frac{\{B \land P\} \ C_1 \ \{Q\} \qquad \{\neg B \land P\} \ C_2 \ \{Q\}}{\{P\} \ \text{if} \ B \ \text{then} \ C_1 \ \text{else} \ C_2 \ \{Q\}}$$

to  $C \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{if (n\%2) then } z = z + y; \text{ else skip;}$ 

$$\{ (n\%2 = 0) \land (m*x = z + (n*y)) \} \quad \{ (n\%2 = 1) \land (m*x = z + (n*y)) \}$$
skip
$$z = z + y$$

$$\{ m*x = z + (\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor * 2 * y) \} \quad \{ m*x = z + (\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor * 2 * y) \}$$

$$\{ m*x = z + (n*y) \} C \{ m*x = z + (\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor * 2 * y) \}$$

### **Hoare's Axioms: Example Revisited**

Finally, we obtain:

```
\{m * x = z + (n * y)\}
if (n % 2) then
   z = z + y;
else
   skip;
\{ m * x = z + ( \left| \frac{n}{2} \right| * 2 * y ) \}
\{ m * x = z + ( \left| \frac{n}{2} \right| * 2 * y ) \}
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▶ But we don't have a rule for loops yet!

### While Loops

$$\frac{\{\textit{P} \land \textit{B}\} \ \textit{C} \ \{\textit{P}\}}{\{\textit{P}\} \ \text{while} \ \textit{B} \ \text{do} \ \textit{C} \ \{\neg\textit{B} \land \textit{P}\}}$$

- Statement S doesn't change P (P is invariant)
- P holds upon loop entry and exit (loop invariant)

### Example:

#### While Loops

In context of a larger proof:

Here, we derive

- ▶  $\{(x-1 \ge 0)\}$  x := x-1  $\{x \ge 0\}$  using Hoare's assignment rule
- ▶  $\{(x \neq 0) \land (x \geq 0)\}$  x := x 1  $\{x \geq 0\}$  using rule of consequence
- ▶  $\{x \ge 0\}$  while  $(x \ne 0)$  do x := x 1  $\{\neg(x \ne 0) \land (x \ge 0)\}$  using loop rule

#### While Loops

In context of a larger proof:

$$\frac{(x \neq 0) \land (x \geq 0) \vdash (x - 1 \geq 0)}{(x \neq 0) \land (x \geq 0) \rightarrow (x - 1 \geq 0)} \qquad \{(x - 1 \geq 0)\} \ x := x - 1 \ \{x \geq 0\}$$
$$\{(x \neq 0) \land (x \geq 0)\} \ x := x - 1 \ \{x \geq 0\}$$
$$\{x \geq 0\} \ \text{while} \ (x \neq 0) \ \text{do} \ x := x - 1 \ \{\neg (x \neq 0) \land (x \geq 0)\}$$

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Don't forget: we still have to discharge the assumption

$$(x \neq 0) \land (x \geq 0) \vdash (x - 1 \geq 0)$$

to show that the Hoare triple is valid. Requires the theory of integer arithmetic (not presented here).

### **Hoare Rules: Example Revisited**

We can now apply this to the loop body from before:

```
while (n \neq 0)

\{m * x = z + (n * y)\}

if (n % 2) then

z = z + y;

else

skip;

y = y * 2;

n = n / 2;

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```

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and weaken the post-condition to (z = m \* x).

#### **Hoare Rules: Overview**

$$\frac{\{P\} \ C_1 \ \{Q\} \ , \{Q\} \ C_2 \ \{R\}\}}{\{P[E/x]\} \ x := E \ \{P\}} \qquad \frac{\{P\} \ C_1 \ ; \ C_2 \ \{R\}}{\{P\} \ C_1 \ ; \ C_2 \ \{R\}}$$

$$\frac{\{B \land P\} \ C_1 \ \{Q\} \ \{\neg B \land P\} \ C_2 \ \{Q\}}{\{P\} \ \text{if } B \ \text{then } C_1 \ \text{else } C_2 \ \{Q\}}$$

$$\frac{P' \to P \quad \{P\} \ C \ \{Q\} \quad Q \to Q'}{\{P'\} \ C \ \{Q'\}}$$

$$\frac{\{P \land B\} \ C \ \{P\}}{\{P\} \ \text{while } B \ \text{do } C \ \{\neg B \land P\}}$$

- Add an inductive invariant to the code
- Use it to show that the assertion after the loop holds
- Add comments to the code explaining
  - why your assertion is an inductive invariant
  - why it shows that the assertion after the loop holds

```
int x = i;
int y = j;
while (x != 0)
{
    x--;
    y--;
    assert (?);
}
assert ((i != j) || (y == 0));
```

```
{true}

x = i;

y = j;

while (x != 0)

x = x - 1;

y = y - 1;

\{(i \neq j) \lor (y = 0))\}

One possible invariant is (i - j) = (x - y).
```

```
{true}
x = i;
y = j;
while (x != 0)
  x = x - 1;
  y = y - 1;
\{(i \neq j) \lor (y = 0))\}
```

```
{true}
x = i;
y = j;
while (x != 0)
  x = x - 1;
  y = y - 1;
  \{(i-j)=(x-y)\}
\{(i \neq j) \lor (y = 0))\}
```

```
{true}
x = i;
y = j;
while (x != 0)
  x = x - 1;
  \{(i-j)=(x-(y-1))\}
  y = y - 1;
  \{(i-j)=(x-y)\}
\{(i \neq j) \lor (y = 0))\}
```

```
{true}
x = i;
y = j;
while (x != 0)
 \{(i-j)=((x-1)-(y-1))\}
 x = x - 1;
 \{(i-j)=(x-(y-1))\}
 v = v - 1;
 \{(i-i)=(x-y)\}
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```
{true}
x = i;
y = j;
\{(i-j)=(x-y)\}
while (x != 0)
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  x = x - 1:
  y = y - 1;
 \{(i-j)=(x-y)\}
\{(x = 0) \land ((i - j) = (x - y))\}
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\{(x=0) \land ((i-i)=(x-y))\}
\{(i \neq j) \lor (y = 0))\}
```

```
{true}
{true}
x = i:
\{(i-j)=(x-j)\}
y = j;
\{(i-j)=(x-y)\}
while (x != 0)
  \{(i-j)=(x-y)\}
  x = x - 1:
  y = y - 1;
 \{(i-j)=(x-y)\}
\{(x=0) \land ((i-i)=(0-v))\}
\{(i \neq j) \lor (y = 0))\}
```

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Let's try something harder!

#### **Greatest Common Divisor**

Let

$$\forall x, y, z \text{ . divides}(x, y, z) \Leftrightarrow ((x\%z = 0) \land (y\%z = 0))$$
  
 $\forall x, y, z \text{ . } (z = GCD(x, y)) \Leftrightarrow \text{divides}(x, y, z) \land$   
 $(\exists r \text{ . } (r > z) \land \text{divides}(x, y, r))$ 

lacktriangle (assuming  $\mathcal{D}=\mathbb{N}$  and % is the modulo operator)

### A Hoare Logic Proof of Euclid's Algorithm

We want to show the following:

```
{true}
if (x > y) then
  k := x;
  m := y;
else
  k := y;
  m := x;
while (m \neq 0) do
  r := k\%m;
  k := m;
  m := r;
\{GCD(x, y) = k\}
```

### A Hoare Logic Proof of Euclid's Algorithm

- ▶ Break the proof into sub-proofs
- ▶ Use compact "in-line" presentation:

Assume we have a *predicate GCD* with the following axioms

- $ightharpoonup \forall x . GCD(0, x) = x$
- $ightharpoonup \forall x . GCD(x, x) = x$

We will first show the following:

```
\{(k \ge m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(m, k)\}
while (m != 0) {
  r = k % m;
  k = m;
  m = r;
}
\{GCD(x, y) = k\}
```

Assume we have a *predicate GCD* with the following axioms

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- $\forall x . GCD(x, x) = x$
- $\forall x, y . (x > y) \rightarrow GCD(x, y) = GCD(x\%y, y)$

```
while (m != 0) {
   r = k % m;
   k = m;
   m = r;
```

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```
while (m != 0) {

r = k \% m;

k = m;

m = r;

\{(k \ge m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}
```

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```
while (m != 0) {

r = k \% m;

k = m;

\{(k \ge r) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, r)\}

m = r;

\{(k \ge m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}
}
```

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```
while (m != 0) {

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\{(m \ge r) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(m, r)\}
k = m;
\{(k \ge r) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, r)\}
m = r;
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```

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- $\blacktriangleright \ \forall x,y \,.\, (x>y) \to GCD(x,y) = GCD(x\%y,y)$

```
while (m != 0) {
\{(m \ge (k\%m)) \land GCD(x,y) = GCD(m,(k\%m))\}
r = k \% m;
\{(m \ge r) \land GCD(x,y) = GCD(m,r)\}
k = m;
\{(k \ge r) \land GCD(x,y) = GCD(k,r)\}
m = r;
\{(k \ge m) \land GCD(x,y) = GCD(k,m)\}
}
```

Assume we have a *predicate GCD* with the following axioms

- $\forall x, y . GCD(x, y) = GCD(y, x)$
- $\forall x . GCD(0, x) = x$
- $\forall x . GCD(x, x) = x$
- $\forall x,y.(x>y) \rightarrow GCD(x,y) = GCD(x\%y,y)$

```
while (m != 0) {
  \{(m \geq (k\%m)) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(m, (k\%m))\}
         true
  r = k \% m;
  \{(m > r) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(m, r)\}
  k = m:
  \{(k > r) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, r)\}
  m = r:
  \{(k \geq m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}
```

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- $\forall x . GCD(x, x) = x$

$$(k \ge m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m) \qquad \{GCD(x, y) = GCD(m, (k\%m))\}$$

$$\rightarrow \qquad \qquad r := k\%m; \ k := m; \ m = r$$

$$(GCD(x, y) = GCD(m, (k\%m)) \qquad \{(k \ge m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}$$

$$\{(k \ge m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}$$

$$r := k\%m; \ k := m; \ m = r$$

 $\{(k > m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}$ 

#### **Proof by Case Split**

We still need to show that

$$((k \geq m) \land (\textit{GCD}(x,y) = \textit{GCD}(k,m))) \rightarrow (\textit{GCD}(x,y) = \textit{GCD}(m,(k\%m))$$

We need the following axioms of the theory of arithmetic:

$$\forall x, y . (x \ge y) \Leftrightarrow ((x = y) \lor (x > y))$$
$$\forall x, y . (x\%x) = 0$$
$$\forall x, y, z . (x = y) \land (y = z) \rightarrow (x = z)$$

Perform a *case split*. First for (k > m):

$$(k > m) \land (GCD(x, y) = GCD(m, k)) \qquad (k > m) \rightarrow GCD(k, m) = GCD(k\%m, m)$$
$$(k > m) \land (GCD(x, y) = GCD(k\%m, m))$$

$$(k > m) \land (GCD(x, y) = GCD(k\%m, m)) \quad GCD(k\%m, m) = GCD(m, k\%m)$$
$$(k > m) \land (GCD(x, y) = GCD(m, k\%m))$$

#### **Proof by Case Split**

Perform a case split. Second case (k = m):

$$\frac{(k=m) \land (GCD(x,y) = GCD(m,k)) \qquad GCD(m,m) = m}{(k=m) \land (GCD(x,y) = m)}$$

$$\frac{(k=m) \land (GCD(x,y) = m) \qquad GCD(0,m) = m}{(k=m) \land (GCD(x,y) = GCD(0,m))}$$

$$\frac{(k=m) \land (GCD(x,y) = GCD(0,m)) \qquad m\%m = 0}{(k=m) \land (GCD(x,y) = GCD(m\%m,m))}$$

$$\frac{(k=m) \land (GCD(x,y) = GCD(k\%m,m))}{(k=m) \land (GCD(x,y) = GCD(k\%m,m))}$$

$$\frac{(k=m) \land (GCD(x,y) = GCD(k\%m,m) = GCD(m,k\%m)}{(k=m) \land (GCD(x,y) = GCD(m,k\%m))}$$

#### **Proof by Case Split**

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$$\frac{(k=m) \land (GCD(x,y) = GCD(0,m)) \quad m\%m = 0}{(k=m) \land (GCD(x,y) = GCD(m\%m,m))}$$

$$\frac{(k=m) \land (GCD(x,y) = GCD(k\%m,m))}{(k=m) \land (GCD(x,y) = GCD(k\%m,m))}$$

$$\frac{(k=m) \land (GCD(x,y) = GCD(k\%m,m)) \quad GCD(k\%m,m) = GCD(m,k\%m)}{(k=m) \land (GCD(x,y) = GCD(m,k\%m))}$$

By combining the two cases we can conclude

$$GCD(x, y) = GCD(m, k\%m)$$

Note: Though tedious, this proof was still not entirely formal. We *implicitly* applied a number of rules.

- Quantifier instantiation
- Transitivity of equality, substitution
- Following propositional rules:

$$\frac{P \wedge Q}{P} \quad \frac{P \wedge Q}{Q} \quad \frac{P \quad Q}{P \wedge Q} \quad \frac{P \rightarrow Q}{\neg P \vee Q} \quad \frac{\neg P \vee Q \quad P}{Q}$$

We have established:

while 
$$(m \neq 0)$$
 do  $\{(k \geq m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}$  r:=k%m; k:=m; m=r  $\{(k \geq m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}$ 

Apply Hoare's loop rule:

$$\frac{\{P \land B\} \ C \ \{P\}}{\{P\} \ \text{while } B \text{ do } C \ \{\neg B \land P\}}$$

with

$$P \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (k \geq m) \wedge GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)$$

$$\triangleright$$
  $B \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (m \neq 0)$ 

We obtain:

```
 \{ (k \ge m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m) \}  while (m \ne 0) do r := k \% m; k := m; m := r; \{ (m = 0) \land (k \ge m) \land (GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)) \}
```

We obtain:

```
 \{ (k \ge m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m) \}  while (m \ne 0) do 
 r := k \% m; 
 k := m; 
 m := r; 
 \{ (m = 0) \land (k \ge m) \land (GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)) \}
```

$$\frac{(m=0) \land (GCD(x,y) = GCD(k,m))}{(GCD(x,y) = GCD(k,0))} GCD(k,0) = k$$

$$GCD(x,y) = k$$

We obtain:

```
 \{(k \ge m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\} 
while (m \ne 0) do
 r := k \% m;
 k := m;
 m := r;
 \{GCD(x, y) = k\}
```

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$$GCD(x,y) = k$$

We have established

$$P \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (k \geq m) \wedge GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)$$

as a loop invariant

- ▶ If P holds after n iterations of the loop, it also holds after n + 1
- $\blacktriangleright$  We still need to establish the base case n=0

Does

$$(k \ge m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)$$

hold at the beginning of the loop?

```
{?}
if (x > y) then
k := x;
m := y;
else
k := y;
m := x;
(k \ge m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)}
```

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```

```
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```

```
{?}
if (x > y) then
  k := x;
  m := y;
else
  k := v;
  \{(k \geq x) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, x)\}
  m := x;
  \{(k \geq m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}
\{(k > m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}
```

```
{?}
if (x > y) then
  k := x;
  m := y;
else
  \{(y \ge x) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(y, x)\}
  k := v;
  \{(k \geq x) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, x)\}
  m := x:
  \{(k > m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}
\{(k \geq m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}
```

```
{?}
if (x > y) then
  k := x;
  m := v;
  \{(k \geq m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}
else
  \{(y \ge x) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(y, x)\}
  k := v;
  \{(k > x) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, x)\}
  m := x:
  \{(k > m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}
\{(k > m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}
```

```
{?}
if (x > y) then
  k := x;
  \{(k \geq y) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, y)\}
  m := v;
  \{(k > m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}
else
  \{(y \ge x) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(y, x)\}
  k := v;
  \{(k > x) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, x)\}
  m := x:
  \{(k > m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}
\{(k > m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}
```

```
{?}
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  \{(k \geq y) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, y)\}
  m := v;
  \{(k > m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}
else
  \{(y \ge x) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(y, x)\}
  k := v;
  \{(k \geq x) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, x)\}
  m := x;
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\{(k > m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}
```

Strengthen the pre-conditions of the branches:

▶ then-branch:

$$\frac{(x > y)}{(x \ge y)} \quad (GCD(x, y) = GCD(x, y))$$
$$(x \ge y) \land (GCD(x, y) = GCD(x, y))$$

else-branch:

$$\frac{\neg(x > y)}{(y \ge x)} \frac{(GCD(x, y) = GCD(x, y))}{(GCD(x, y) = GCD(y, x))}$$
$$(y \ge x) \land (GCD(x, y) = GCD(y, x))$$

#### **Euclid's Algorithm – Hoare's Conditional Rule**

$$\frac{\{B \land P\} \ C_1 \ \{Q\} \ \{\neg B \land P\} \ C_2 \ \{Q\}}{\{P\} \ \text{if $B$ then $C_1$ else $C_2$ } \{Q\}}$$

with

$$\triangleright$$
  $B \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (x > y)$ 

$$P \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{true}$$

$$ightharpoonup C_1 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} k := x; m := y$$

#### **Euclid's Algorithm – Hoare's Conditional Rule**

We obtain

```
{true }
if (x > y) then
k := x;
m := y;
else
k := y;
m := x;
\{(k \ge m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m)\}
```

### **Euclid's Algorithm – Hoare's Compositional Rule**

```
Finally:
                               \{P\}\ C_1\ \{Q\}\ , \{Q\}\ C_2\ \{R\}
                                      \{P\}\ C_1: C_2\ \{R\}
where
  C_1 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=}
                                                         C_2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=}
  if (x > y) then
     k := x:
                                                         while (m \neq 0) do
                                                             r := k % m;
     m := y;
  else
                                                            k := m;
     k := v;
                                                             m := r;
     m := x;
and P \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{true}, Q \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (k \geq m) \land GCD(x, y) = GCD(k, m),
R \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (GCD(x, y) = k)
```

#### **Euclid's Algorithm – Correctness Established**

```
{true}
if (x > y) then
  k := x;
  m := y;
else
  k := y;
  m := x;
while (m \neq 0) do
  r := k \% m;
  k := m;
  m := r;
\{GCD(x, y) = k\}
```

How do we find an invariant for the following code fragment?

```
{true}
x = y = 0;
while (x \neq 100) {
  if (x \ge 50) {
    y := y + 1;
  } else {
    skip;
  x = x + 1;
\{y=50\}
```

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x = y = 0;
while (x \neq 100) {
  if (x \ge 50) {
    y := y + 1;
  } else {
    skip;
  x = x + 1;
\{y=50\}
```

(x < 50): x increases and y remains 0</li>
 (x ≥ 50): x and y increase in lockstep

Loop has two *phases*:

```
if (x \ge 50) {
 y := y + 1;
} else {
 skip;
}
x = x + 1;
```

Loop has two phases:

- $(x < 50) \land (y = 0)$
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```
if (x \ge 50) {
 y := y + 1;
 } else {
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 }
 x = x + 1;
```

Loop has two phases:

$$((x < 50) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 50) \land (x - y = 50))$$

```
if (x \ge 50) {
  y := y + 1;
} else {
  skip;
x = x + 1;
\{((x < 50) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 50) \land (x - y = 50))\}
```

```
if (x \ge 50) {
  y := y + 1;
} else {
  skip;
\{((x+1<50) \land (y=0)) \lor ((x+1\geq 50) \land (x+1-y=50))\}
x = x + 1;
\{((x < 50) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 50) \land (x - y = 50))\}
```

```
if (x \ge 50) {
  y := y + 1;
} else {
  skip;
\{((x < 49) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 49) \land (x + 1 - y = 50))\}
x = x + 1;
\{((x < 50) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 50) \land (x - y = 50))\}
```

```
if (x \ge 50) {
  y := y + 1;
} else {
  \{(x < 50) \land ((x < 49) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 49) \land (x + 1 - y = 50))\}
  skip;
\{((x < 49) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 49) \land (x + 1 - y = 50))\}
x = x + 1:
\{((x < 50) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 50) \land (x - y = 50))\}
```

```
if (x \ge 50) {
  y := y + 1;
} else {
  \{((x < 49) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x = 49) \land (x - y = 49))\}
  skip;
\{((x < 49) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 49) \land (x + 1 - y = 50))\}
x = x + 1:
\{((x < 50) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 50) \land (x - y = 50))\}
```

```
if (x \ge 50) {
   \{(x \ge 50) \land
   ((x < 49) \land (y + 1 = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 49) \land ((x + 1) - (y + 1) = 50))
  y := y + 1;
} else {
  \{((x < 49) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x = 49) \land (x - y = 49))\}
  skip;
\{((x < 49) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 49) \land (x + 1 - y = 50))\}
x = x + 1:
\{((x < 50) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 50) \land (x - y = 50))\}
```

```
if (x \ge 50) {
  \{(x \ge 50) \land (x - y = 50)\}
  y := y + 1;
} else {
  \{((x < 49) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x = 49) \land (x - y = 49))\}
  skip;
\{((x < 49) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 49) \land (x + 1 - y = 50))\}
x = x + 1;
\{((x < 50) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 50) \land (x - y = 50))\}
```

```
if (x > 50) {
  \{(x \ge 50) \land (x - y = 50)\}
  v := v + 1;
} else {
  \{((x < 49) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x = 49) \land (x - y = 49))\}
  skip;
\{((x < 49) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 49) \land (x + 1 - y = 50))\}
x = x + 1:
\{((x < 50) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x > 50) \land (x - y = 50))\}
```

We need to strengthen the preconditions of the branches!

Then branch:

$$(x \ge 50) \land ((x < 50) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 50) \land (x - y = 50))$$
 implies

$$(x \geq 50) \land (x - y = 50)$$

Then branch:

$$(x \ge 50) \land ((x < 50) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 50) \land (x - y = 50))$$
 implies

$$(x \geq 50) \land (x - y = 50)$$

Note that  $(x \ge 50) \land (x < 50)$  is contradictory.

Else branch:

$$(\mathtt{x}<50) \land ((\mathtt{x}<50) \land (\mathtt{y}=0)) \ \lor \ ((x\geq 50) \land (\mathtt{x}-\mathtt{y}=50))$$
 implies

$$((x < 49) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x = 49) \land (x - y = 49))$$

Else branch:

$$(\mathtt{x}<50) \land ((\mathtt{x}<50) \land (\mathtt{y}=0)) \ \lor \ ((x\geq 50) \land (\mathtt{x}-\mathtt{y}=50))$$
 implies

$$((x < 49) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x = 49) \land (x - y = 49))$$

▶ Note that  $(x < 50) \land (x \ge 50)$  is contradictory.

#### Else branch:

$$(\mathtt{x}<50) \land ((\mathtt{x}<50) \land (\mathtt{y}=0)) \ \lor \ ((x\geq 50) \land (\mathtt{x}-\mathtt{y}=50))$$
 implies

$$((\texttt{x} < 49) \land (\texttt{y} = 0)) \ \lor \ ((\texttt{x} = 49) \land (\texttt{x} - \texttt{y} = 49))$$

- ▶ Note that  $(x < 50) \land (x \ge 50)$  is contradictory.
- So we know that y = 0 and x < 50. Case split over x:
  - x < 49. Then  $(x < 49) \land (y = 0)$  holds.
  - x = 49. Then  $(x = 49) \land (x y = 49)$  holds.

We have established that the induction step for the invariant

$$((x < 50) \land (y = 0)) \lor ((x \ge 50) \land (x - y = 50))$$

works.

Does the base case work out?

We have established that the induction step for the invariant

$$((\texttt{x} < 50) \land (\texttt{y} = 0)) \ \lor \ ((\texttt{x} \geq 50) \land (\texttt{x} - \texttt{y} = 50))$$

works.

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### **Hoare's Axioms: Summary**

$$\frac{\{P\} \ C_1 \ \{Q\} \ , \{Q\} \ C_2 \ \{R\} \}}{\{P\} \ C_1 \ ; \ C_2 \ \{R\}}$$

$$\frac{\{B \land P\} \ C_1 \ \{Q\} \ \{\neg B \land P\} \ C_2 \ \{Q\} \}}{\{P\} \ \text{if } B \ \text{then } C_1 \ \text{else } C_2 \ \{Q\} }$$

$$\frac{P' \to P \quad \{P\} \ C \ \{Q\} \quad Q \to Q' }{\{P'\} \ C \ \{Q'\} }$$

$$\frac{\{P \land B\} \ C \ \{P\} }{\{P\} \ \text{while } B \ \text{do } C \ \{\neg B \land P\} }$$