



COMP 4161  
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Advanced Topics in Software Verification

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Last Time

- Calculations: also/finally
- [trans]-rules
- Code generation

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Content

- Intro & motivation, getting started with Isabelle
- Foundations & Principles
  - Lambda Calculus
  - Higher Order Logic, natural deduction
  - Term rewriting
- **Proof & Specification Techniques**
  - Inductively defined sets, rule induction
  - Datatypes, recursion, induction
  - More recursion, Calculational reasoning
  - **Hoare logic, proofs about programs**
  - Locales, Presentation

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Finding Theorems

Command **find\_theorems** (C-c C-f) finds combinations of:

- pattern: "\_ + \_ + \_"
- lhs of simp rules: **simp**: "\_ \* (\_ + \_)"
- intro/elim/dest on current goal
- lemma name: **name: assoc**
- exclusions thereof: **-name: "HOL."**

**Example:**

**find\_theorems dest -"hd" name: "List."**

finds all theorems in the current context that

- match the goal as dest rule,
- do not contain the constant "hd"
- are in the List theory (name starts with "List.")

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## Isar: define and defines



Can define local constant in Isar proof context:

```
proof  
...  
  define "f ≡ big term"  
  have "g = f x" ...
```

like definition, not automatically unfolded (f\_def)  
different to **let** ?f = "big term"

Also available in lemma statement:

```
lemma ...  
  fixes ...  
  assumes ...  
  defines ...  
  shows ...
```

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## A CRASH COURSE IN SEMANTICS

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## IMP - a small Imperative Language



**Commands:**

```
datatype com = SKIP  
              | Assign loc aexp    (- := -)  
              | Semi com com      (-; -)  
              | Cond bexp com com  (IF _ THEN _ ELSE _)  
              | While bexp com     (WHILE _ DO _ OD)
```

```
types loc = string  
types state = loc ⇒ nat
```

```
types aexp = state ⇒ nat  
types bexp = state ⇒ bool
```

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## Example Program



Usual syntax:

```
B := 1;  
WHILE A ≠ 0 DO  
  B := B * A;  
  A := A - 1  
OD
```

Expressions are functions from state to bool or nat:

```
B := (λσ. 1);  
WHILE (λσ. σ A ≠ 0) DO  
  B := (λσ. σ B * σ A);  
  A := (λσ. σ A - 1)  
OD
```

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What does it do?



**So far we have defined:**

- **Syntax** of commands and expressions
- **State** of programs (function from variables to values)

**Now we need:** the meaning (semantics) of programs

**How to define execution of a program?**

- A wide field of its own
- Some choices:
  - Operational (inductive relations, big step, small step)
  - Denotational (programs as functions on states, state transformers)
  - Axiomatic (pre-/post conditions, Hoare logic)

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Structural Operational Semantics



$$\frac{}{\langle \text{SKIP}, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \sigma}$$
$$\frac{e \sigma = v}{\langle x := e, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \sigma[x \mapsto v]}$$
$$\frac{\langle c_1, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \sigma' \quad \langle c_2, \sigma' \rangle \rightarrow \sigma''}{\langle c_1; c_2, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \sigma''}$$
$$\frac{b \sigma = \text{True} \quad \langle c_1, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \sigma'}{\langle \text{IF } b \text{ THEN } c_1 \text{ ELSE } c_2, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \sigma'}$$
$$\frac{b \sigma = \text{False} \quad \langle c_2, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \sigma'}{\langle \text{IF } b \text{ THEN } c_1 \text{ ELSE } c_2, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \sigma'}$$

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Structural Operational Semantics



$$\frac{b \sigma = \text{False}}{\langle \text{WHILE } b \text{ DO } c \text{ OD}, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \sigma}$$

$$\frac{b \sigma = \text{True} \quad \langle c, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \sigma' \quad \langle \text{WHILE } b \text{ DO } c \text{ OD}, \sigma' \rangle \rightarrow \sigma''}{\langle \text{WHILE } b \text{ DO } c \text{ OD}, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \sigma''}$$

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DEMO: THE DEFINITIONS IN ISABELLE



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## Proofs about Programs



### Now we know:

- What programs are: Syntax
- On what they work: State
- How they work: Semantics

### So we can prove properties about programs

#### Example:

Show that example program from slide 8 implements the factorial.

**lemma**  $\langle \text{factorial}, \sigma \rangle \longrightarrow \sigma' \implies \sigma' B = \text{fac}(\sigma A)$

(where  $\text{fac } 0 = 0$ ,  $\text{fac}(\text{Suc } n) = (\text{Suc } n) * \text{fac } n$ )

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## DEMO: EXAMPLE PROOF

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## Too tedious



Induction needed for each loop

Is there something easier?

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## Floyd/Hoare



**Idea:** describe meaning of program by pre/post conditions

#### Examples:

$\{\text{True}\} \quad x := 2 \quad \{x = 2\}$

$\{y = 2\} \quad x := 21 * y \quad \{x = 42\}$

$\{x = n\} \quad \text{IF } y < 0 \text{ THEN } x := x + y \text{ ELSE } x := x - y \quad \{x = n - |y|\}$

$\{A = n\} \quad \text{factorial} \quad \{B = \text{fac } n\}$

**Proofs:** have rules that directly work on such triples

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## Meaning of a Hoare-Triple



$$\{P\} c \{Q\}$$

### What are the assertions $P$ and $Q$ ?

- Here: again functions from state to bool (shallow embedding of assertions)
- Other choice: syntax and semantics for assertions (deep embedding)

### What does $\{P\} c \{Q\}$ mean?

#### Partial Correctness:

$$\models \{P\} c \{Q\} \equiv (\forall \sigma \sigma'. P \sigma \wedge \langle c, \sigma \rangle \longrightarrow \sigma' \implies Q \sigma')$$

#### Total Correctness:

$$\models \{P\} c \{Q\} \equiv (\forall \sigma. P \sigma \implies \exists \sigma'. \langle c, \sigma \rangle \longrightarrow \sigma' \wedge Q \sigma')$$

This lecture: partial correctness only (easier)

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## Hoare Rules



$$\frac{}{\{P\} \text{ SKIP } \{P\}} \quad \frac{}{\{P[x \mapsto e]\} x := e \{P\}}$$

$$\frac{\{P\} c_1 \{R\} \quad \{R\} c_2 \{Q\}}{\{P\} c_1; c_2 \{Q\}}$$

$$\frac{\{P \wedge b\} c_1 \{Q\} \quad \{P \wedge \neg b\} c_2 \{Q\}}{\{P\} \text{ IF } b \text{ THEN } c_1 \text{ ELSE } c_2 \{Q\}}$$

$$\frac{\{P \wedge b\} c \{P\} \quad P \wedge \neg b \implies Q}{\{P\} \text{ WHILE } b \text{ DO } c \text{ OD } \{Q\}}$$

$$\frac{P \implies P' \quad \{P'\} c \{Q'\} \quad Q' \implies Q}{\{P\} c \{Q\}}$$

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## Hoare Rules



$$\frac{}{\vdash \{P\} \text{ SKIP } \{P\}} \quad \frac{}{\vdash \{\lambda \sigma. P(\sigma(x := e \sigma))\} x := e \{P\}}$$

$$\frac{\vdash \{P\} c_1 \{R\} \quad \vdash \{R\} c_2 \{Q\}}{\vdash \{P\} c_1; c_2 \{Q\}}$$

$$\frac{\vdash \{\lambda \sigma. P \sigma \wedge b \sigma\} c_1 \{R\} \quad \vdash \{\lambda \sigma. P \sigma \wedge \neg b \sigma\} c_2 \{Q\}}{\vdash \{P\} \text{ IF } b \text{ THEN } c_1 \text{ ELSE } c_2 \{Q\}}$$

$$\frac{\vdash \{\lambda \sigma. P \sigma \wedge b \sigma\} c \{P\} \quad \bigwedge \sigma. P \sigma \wedge \neg b \sigma \implies Q \sigma}{\vdash \{P\} \text{ WHILE } b \text{ DO } c \text{ OD } \{Q\}}$$

$$\frac{\bigwedge \sigma. P \sigma \implies P' \sigma \quad \vdash \{P'\} c \{Q'\} \quad \bigwedge \sigma. Q' \sigma \implies Q \sigma}{\vdash \{P\} c \{Q\}}$$

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## Are the Rules Correct?



**Soundness:**  $\vdash \{P\} c \{Q\} \implies \models \{P\} c \{Q\}$

**Proof:** by rule induction on  $\vdash \{P\} c \{Q\}$

**Demo:** Hoare Logic in Isabelle

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