

Program Analysis and Verification

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Lecture 4: Axiomatic Semantics - Concurrency

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Axiomatic Semantics (Hoare Logic)

- Programming Language
 - Syntax (`skip` | $S_1; S_2$ | ...)
 - Semantics (e.g., states Σ + Stmts $\langle C, s \rangle \rightarrow s$)
- Assertions
 - Syntax ($x = 3$ | $x < y + a$ | ...)
 - Semantics ($\llbracket P \rrbracket \subseteq \Sigma$ alt. $s \models_p P$)
- Judgments
 - $\{P\} C \{Q\}$, $[P] C [Q]$
 - $\models_p \{P\} C \{Q\} : \forall s, s' \in \Sigma. (s \models_p P \wedge \langle C, s \rangle \rightarrow s') \Rightarrow s' \models_p Q$
- Inference rules
- Proofs

Axiomatic semantics for **While**

Axiom for every
primitive statement

$$[\text{ass}_p] \{P[a/x]\} x := a \{P\}$$

$$[\text{skip}_p] \{P\} \text{skip} \{P\}$$

$$[\text{comp}_p] \frac{\{P\} S_1 \{Q\}, \{Q\} S_2 \{R\}}{\{P\} S_1; S_2 \{R\}}$$

$$[\text{if}_p] \frac{\{b \wedge P\} S_1 \{Q\}, \{\neg b \wedge P\} S_2 \{Q\}}{\{P\} \text{if } b \text{ then } S_1 \text{ else } S_2 \{Q\}}$$

Inference rule for
every composed
statement

$$[\text{while}_p] \frac{\{b \wedge P\} S \{P\}}{\{P\} \text{while } b \text{ do } S \{\neg b \wedge P\}}$$

$$[\text{cons}_p] \frac{\{P'\} S \{Q'\}}{\{P\} S \{Q\}} \text{ if } P \Rightarrow P' \text{ and } Q' \Rightarrow Q$$

Factorial proof

Goal: $\{x=n\} \mathbf{y:=1; while (x \neq 1) do (y:=y*x; x:=x-1) \{y=n! \wedge n>0\}}$

$W = \mathbf{while (x \neq 1) do (y:=y*x; x:=x-1)}$

$INV = x > 0 \Rightarrow (y \cdot x! = n! \wedge n \geq x)$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{[comp]} \frac{\{INV[x-1/x][y*x/y]\} \mathbf{y:=y*x} \{INV[x-1/x]\} \quad \{INV[x-1/x]\} \mathbf{x:=x-1} \{INV\}}{\{INV[x-1/x][y*x/y]\} \mathbf{y:=y*x; x:=x-1} \{INV\}} \\
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Soundness

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 - $\vdash_p \{ P \} C \{ Q \}$ implies $\models_p \{ P \} C \{ Q \}$

Soundness and completeness

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 - $\vdash_p \{ P \} C \{ Q \}$ implies $\models_p \{ P \} C \{ Q \}$
- The inference system is **relatively complete**:
 - $\models_p \{ P \} C \{ Q \}$ implies $\vdash_p \{ P \} C \{ Q \}$
 - $\forall A, B. A \Rightarrow B$
 - Assertion language is expressive enough

While + Concurrency

Abstract syntax:

$a ::= n \mid x \mid a_1 + a_2 \mid a_1 \star a_2 \mid a_1 - a_2$

$b ::= \mathbf{true} \mid \mathbf{false}$

$\mid a_1 = a_2 \mid a_1 \leq a_2 \mid \neg b \mid b_1 \wedge b_2$

$S ::= x := a \mid \mathbf{skip} \mid S_1; S_2$

$\mid \mathbf{if } b \mathbf{ then } S_1 \mathbf{ else } S_2$

$\mid \mathbf{while } b \mathbf{ do } S$

$\mid \mathbf{cobegin } S_1 \parallel \dots \parallel S_n \mathbf{ coend}$

Proofs

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \dots \\ \hline \{P_1\} S_1 \{Q_2\} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \dots \\ \hline \{P_2\} S_2 \{Q_2\} \end{array}}{\hline \{P_1 \wedge P_2\} S_1 \parallel S_2 \{Q_2 \wedge Q_2\} \quad \dots}$$

Challenge:
Interference

Axiomatic Semantics (Hoare Logic)

- Disjoint parallelism
- Global invariant
- Owicky – Gries [PhD. '76]
- Rely/Guarantee [Jones.]

$$\frac{\dots}{\{P\} S_1 \parallel S_2 \{Q\}} \dots$$

Disjoint Parallelism

$$\{P_1\} S_1 \{Q_2\} \quad \{P_2\} S_2 \{Q_2\}$$

$$\{P_1 \wedge P_2\} S_1 \parallel S_2 \{Q_2 \wedge Q_2\}$$

$$FV(P_1, S_1, Q_1) \cap FV(P_2, S_2, Q_2) = \emptyset$$

Global Invariant

$$I \vdash \{P_1\} S_1 \{Q_2\} \quad I \vdash \{P_2\} S_2 \{Q_2\}$$

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Meaning of (atomic) Commands

- A relation between pre-states and post-states
- $\llbracket \langle c \rangle \rrbracket \subseteq \Sigma \times \Sigma$

$$s_0 \xRightarrow{\langle c_0 \rangle} s_1 \xRightarrow{\langle c_1 \rangle} \dots \xRightarrow{\langle c_k \rangle} s_{k+1}$$

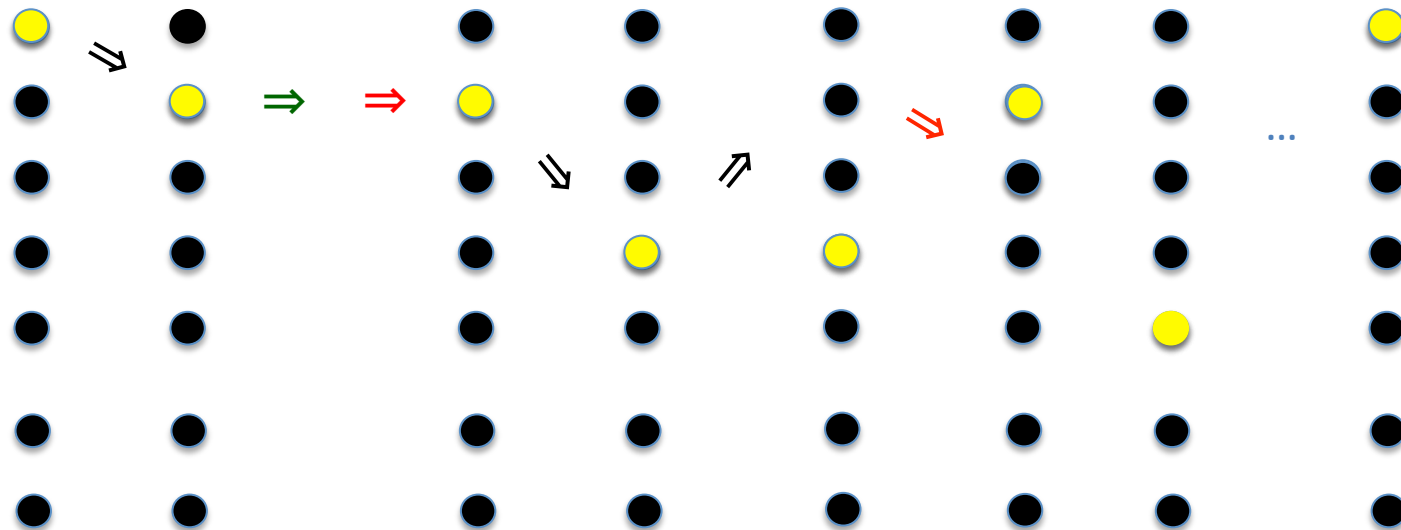
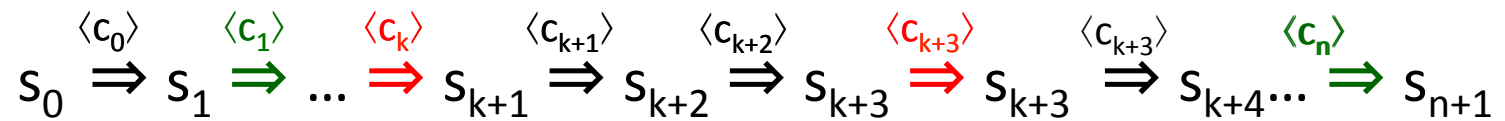
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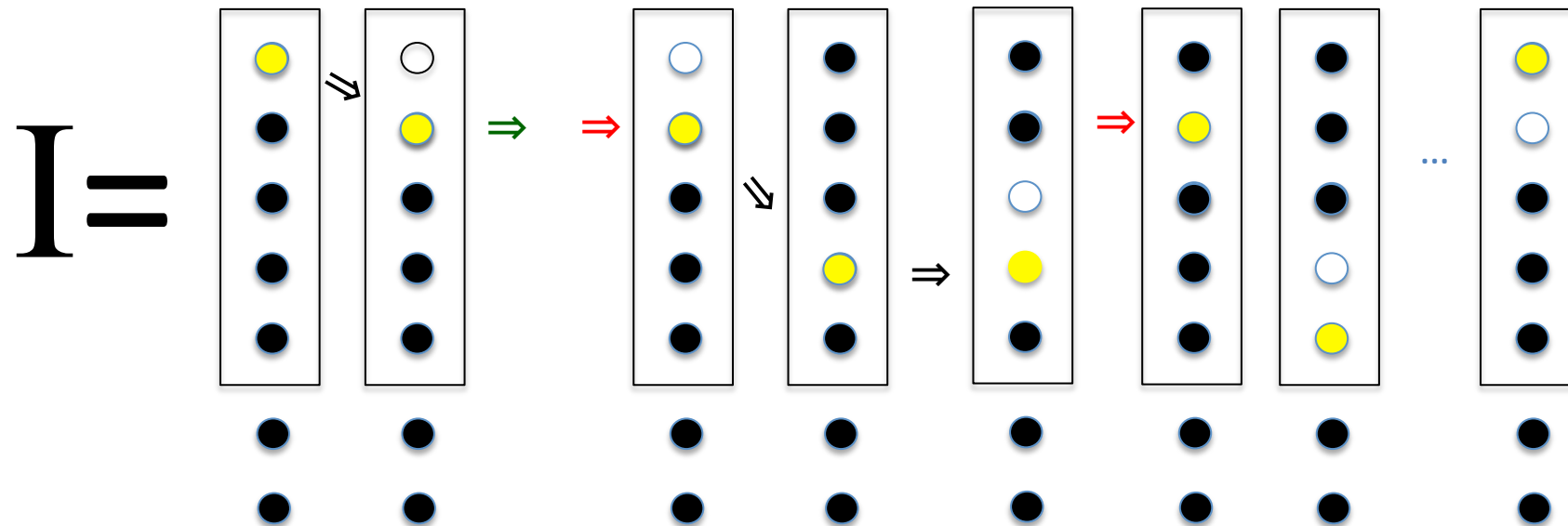
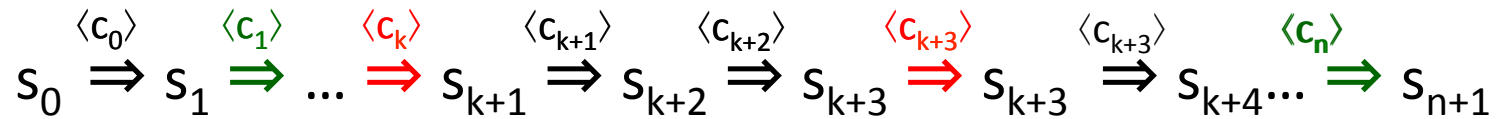
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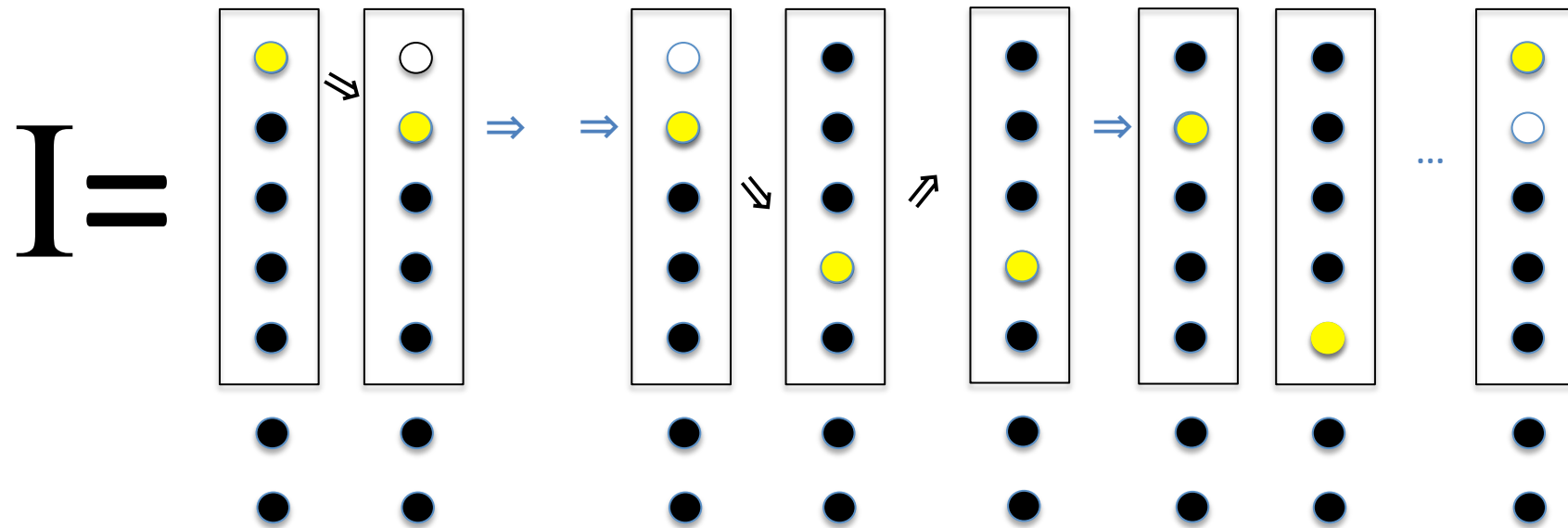
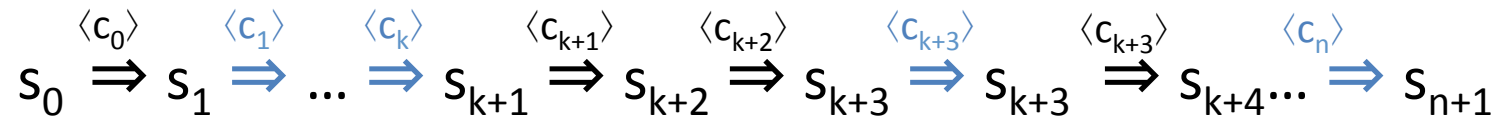
Intuition: Global Invariant

- Every (intermediate) state satisfies invariant I



Intuition: Global Invariant

- Thread-view



Global Invariant

$$\frac{I \vdash \{P\} S_1 \{Q\} \quad I \vdash \{Q\} S_2 \{R\}}{I \vdash \{P\} S_1; S_2 \{R\}}$$

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Owicki-Gries: Interference in Proofs

- A command C with a precondition $pre(C)$ does not interfere with the proof of $\{P\} S \{Q\}$ if:
 - $\{Q \wedge pre(C)\} C \{Q\}$
 - For any $S' \in S$: $\{pre(S') \wedge pre(C)\} C \{pre(S')\}$
- $\{P_1\} C_1 \{Q_1\} \dots \{P_k\} C_k \{Q_k\}$ are interference free if
 - $\forall i \neq j$ and $\forall x := a \in C_i$,
 - $x := a$ does not interfere with $\{P_j\} C_j \{Q_j\}$

Parallel Composition Rule

$$I \vdash \{P_1\} S_1 \{Q_2\} \quad I \vdash \{P_2\} S_2 \{Q_2\}$$

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Owicki-Gries: Limitations

- Checking interference can be hard
 - Non-compositionality
 - Until you finished the local proofs cannot check interference
 - Proofs need to be “saved”
 - Hard to handle libraries and missing code
- A non-standard meaning of Hoare triples
 - Depends on the interference of other threads **with the proof**
 - Soundness is non-trivial
- Completeness depends on auxiliary variables

Rely / Guarantee

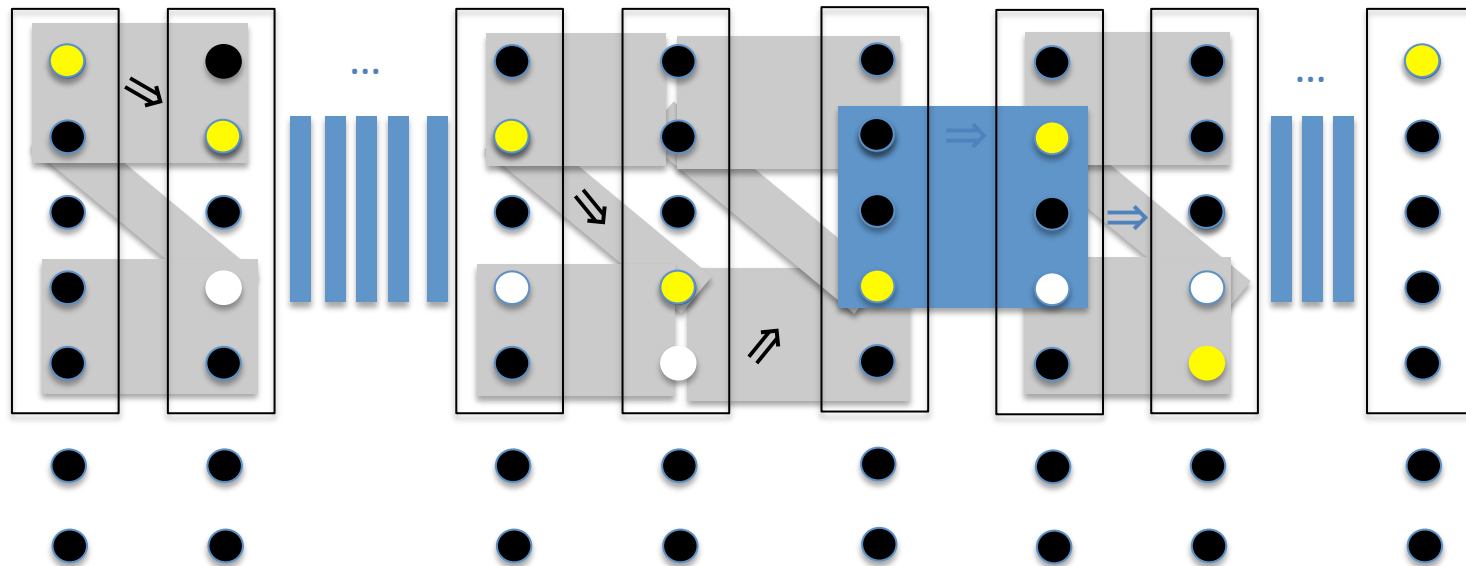
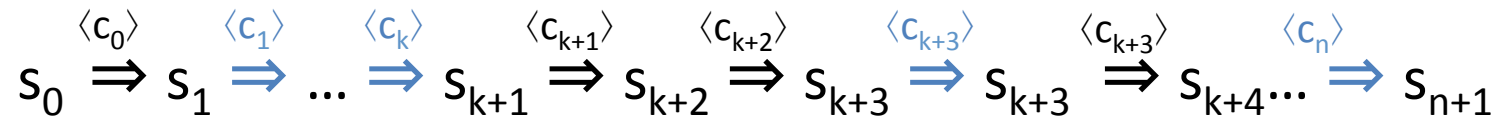
- Aka assume Guarantee
- Cliff Jones
- Main idea: Modular capture of interference
 - Compositional proofs

Commands as relations

- It is convenient to view the meaning of commands as relations between pre-states and post-states
- In $\{P\} C \{Q\}$
 - P is a one state predicate
 - Q is a two-state predicate
 - Recall auxiliary variables
- Example
 - $\{\text{true}\} x := x + 1 \{x = \underline{x} + 1\}$

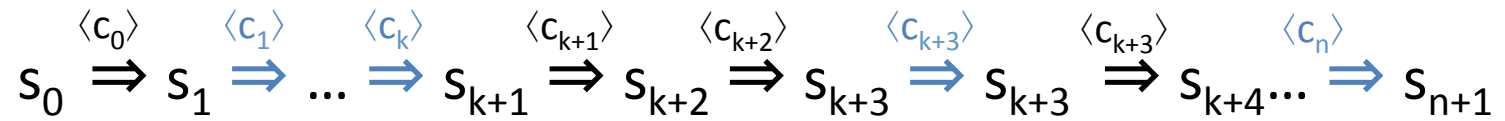
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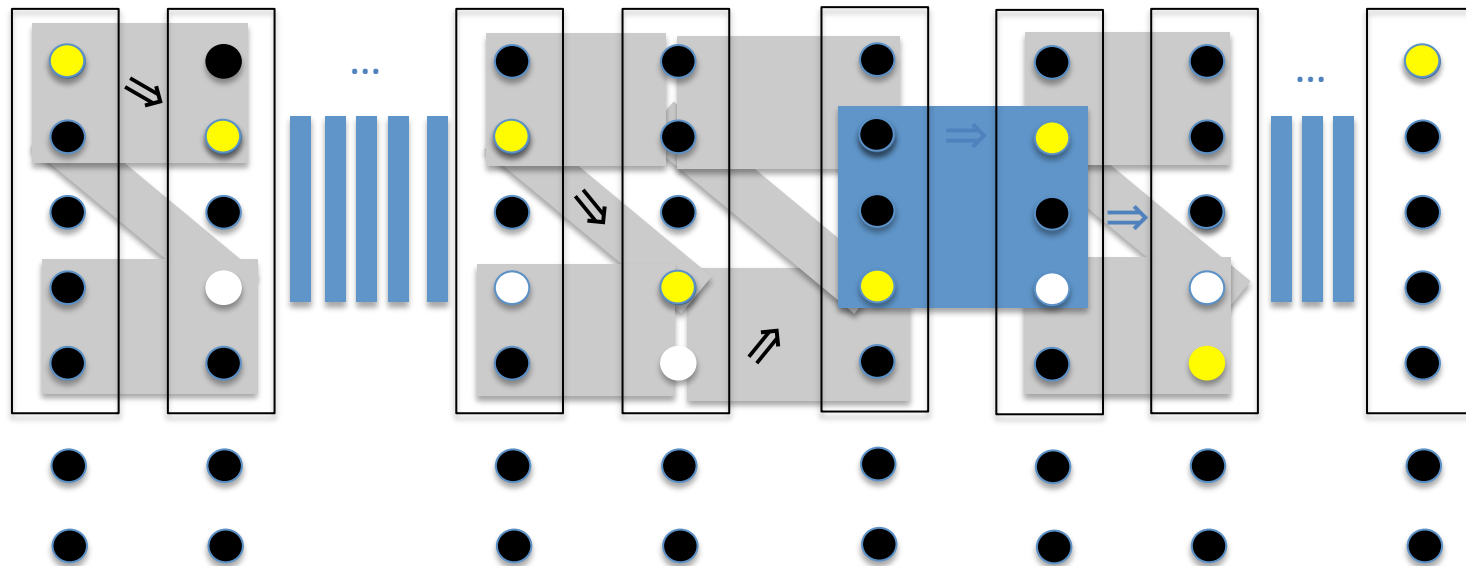


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G RRRR G G R G RRRR



Relational Post-Conditions

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Relational Post-Conditions

- **meaning of commands** a relations between pre-states and post-states
- Option II: $\{P\} C \{Q\}$
 - P is a one state predicate
 - P is a one-state predicate
 - Use logical variables to record pre-state
- Example
 - $\{x = \underline{X}\} x := x + 1 \{x = \underline{X} + 1\}$

Intuition (again)

$$\text{Hoare: } \{P\} S \{Q\} \sim \{P\} \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \{Q\}$$

$$\text{R/G: } R, G \vdash \{P\} S \{Q\} \sim \{P\} \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \{Q\}$$

Goal: Parallel Composition

$$R \vee G_2, G_1 \vdash \{P\} S_1 \parallel S_2 \{Q\}$$
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(PAR)

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From one- to two-state relations

- $p(\underline{\sigma}, \sigma) = p(\sigma)$
- $\underline{p}(\underline{\sigma}, \sigma) = p(\underline{\sigma})$
- A single state predicate p is **preserved** by a two-state relation R if
 - $\underline{p} \wedge R \Rightarrow p$
 - $\forall \underline{\sigma}, \sigma: p(\underline{\sigma}) \wedge R(\underline{\sigma}, \sigma) \Rightarrow p(\sigma)$

Operations on Relations

- $(P;Q)(\underline{\sigma}, \sigma) = \exists \tau: P(\underline{\sigma}, \tau) \wedge Q(\tau, \sigma)$
- $ID(\underline{\sigma}, \sigma) = (\underline{\sigma} = \sigma)$
- $R^* = ID \vee R \vee (R;R) \vee (R;R;R) \vee \dots \vee$

Formulas

- $ID(x) = (\underline{x} = x)$
- $ID(p) = (\underline{p} \Leftrightarrow p)$
- Preserve $(p) = \underline{p} \Rightarrow p$

Informal Semantics

- $c \models (p, R, G, Q)$
 - For every state $\underline{\sigma}$ such that $\underline{\sigma} \models p$:
 - Every execution of c on state $\underline{\sigma}$ with (potential) interventions which satisfy R results in a state σ such that $(\underline{\sigma}, \sigma) \models Q$
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- $c \models [p, R, G, Q]$
 - For every state $\underline{\sigma}$ such that $\underline{\sigma} \models p$:
 - Every execution of c on state $\underline{\sigma}$ with (potential) interventions which satisfy R must terminate in a state σ such that $(\underline{\sigma}, \sigma) \models Q$
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A Formal Semantics

- Let $\llbracket C \rrbracket^R$ denotes the set of quadruples $\langle \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4 \rangle$ s.t. that when c executes on σ_1 with potential interferences by R it yields an intermediate state σ_2 followed by an intermediate state σ_3 and a final state σ_4
 - as usual $\sigma_4 = \perp$ when c does not terminate
- $\llbracket C \rrbracket^R = \{ \langle \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4 \rangle : \exists \sigma : \langle \sigma_1, \sigma \rangle \models R \wedge$
 $(\langle C, \sigma \rangle \Rightarrow^* \sigma_2 \wedge \sigma_2 = \sigma_3 = \sigma_4 \vee$
 $\exists \sigma', C' : \langle C, \sigma \rangle \Rightarrow^* \langle C', \sigma' \rangle$
 $\wedge ((\sigma_2 = \sigma_1 \vee \sigma_2 = \sigma) \wedge (\sigma_3 = \sigma \vee \sigma_3 = \sigma')) \wedge \sigma_4 = \perp)$
 $\vee \langle \sigma', \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4 \rangle \in \llbracket C' \rrbracket^R)$
- $c \models (p, R, G, Q)$
 - For every $\langle \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4 \rangle \in \llbracket C \rrbracket^R$ such that $\sigma_1 \models p$
 - $\langle \sigma_2, \sigma_3 \rangle \models G$
 - If $\sigma_4 \neq \perp$: $\langle \sigma_1, \sigma_4 \rangle \models Q$

Simple Examples

- $X := X + 1 \models (\text{true}, X = \underline{X}, X = \underline{X} + 1 \vee X = \underline{X}, X = \underline{X} + 1)$
- $X := X + 1 \models (X \geq 0, X \geq \underline{X}, X > 0 \vee X = \underline{X}, X > 0)$
- $X := X + 1 ; Y := Y + 1 \models (X \geq 0 \wedge Y \geq 0, X \geq \underline{X} \wedge Y \geq \underline{Y}, G, X > 0 \wedge Y > 0)$

Inference Rules

- Define $c \vdash (p, R, G, Q)$ by structural induction on c
- Soundness
 - If $c \vdash (p, R, G, Q)$ then $c \models (p, R, G, Q)$

Atomic Command

$$\{p\} c \{Q\}$$

(Atomic)

$$\text{atomic } \{c\} \vdash (p, \text{preserve}(p), Q \vee \text{ID}, Q)$$

Conditional Critical Section

$\{p \wedge b\} c \{Q\}$

(Critical)

await b then c \vdash (p, preserve(p), Q \vee ID, Q)

Sequential Composition

$$c_1 \vdash (p_1, R, G, Q_1)$$

$$c_2 \vdash (p_2, R, G, Q_2)$$

$$Q_1 \Rightarrow p_2$$

(SEQ)

$$c_1 ; c_2 \vdash (p_1, R, G, (Q_1; R^*; Q_2))$$

Conditionals

$c_1 \vdash (p \wedge b_1, R, G, Q) \quad p \wedge b \wedge R^* \Rightarrow b_1$

$c_2 \vdash (p \wedge b_2, R, G, Q) \quad p \wedge \neg b \wedge R^* \Rightarrow b_2$

(IF)

if atomic $\{b\}$ then c_1 else $c_2 \vdash (p, R, G, Q)$

Loops

$$c \vdash (j \wedge b_1, R, G, j) \quad j \wedge b \wedge R^* \Rightarrow b_1$$
$$R \Rightarrow \text{Preserve}(j)$$

(WHILE)

while atomic {b} do $c \vdash (j, R, G, \neg b \wedge j)$

Refinement

$$c \vdash (p, R, G, Q)$$
$$p' \Rightarrow p \quad Q \Rightarrow Q'$$
$$R' \Rightarrow R \quad G \Rightarrow G'$$

(REFINE)

$$c \vdash (p', R', G', Q')$$

Parallel Composition

$$c_1 \vdash (p_1, R_1, G_1, Q_1)$$

$$c_2 \vdash (p_2, R_2, G_2, Q_2)$$

$$G_1 \Rightarrow R_2$$

$$G_2 \Rightarrow R_1$$

(PAR)

$$c_1 \parallel c_2 \vdash (p_1 \wedge p_2, (R_1 \wedge R_2), (G_1 \vee G_2), Q)$$

where $Q = (Q_1 ; (R_1 \wedge R_2)^* ; Q_2) \vee (Q_2 ; (R_1 \wedge R_2)^* ; Q_1)$

Issues in R/G

- Total correctness is trickier
- Restrict the structure of the proofs
 - Sometimes global proofs are preferable
- Many design choices
 - Transitivity and Reflexivity of Rely/Guarantee
 - No standard set of rules
- Suitable for designs