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We study transformational program logics for correctness and incorrectness that we extend to explicitly handle both termination and nontermination. We show that the logics are abstract interpretations of the right image transformer for a natural relational semantics covering both finite and infinite executions. This understanding of logics as abstractions of a semantics facilitates their comparisons through their respective abstractions of the semantics (rather that the much more difficult comparison through their formal proof systems). More importantly, the formalization provides a calculational method for constructively designing the sound and complete formal proof system by abstraction of the semantics. As an example, we extend Hoare logic to cover all possible behaviors of nondeterministic programs and design a new precondition (in)correctness logic.

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This text contains the details of the formal development of Hoare logic, reverse Hoare logic aka incorrectness logic, and Hoare incorrectness logic.

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#### **1 PROPERTIES OF STRONGEST POSTCONDITIONS**

LEMMA 1.1 (COMPOSITION).  $post(X \overset{\circ}{,} Y) = post(Y) \circ post(X)$ .

Proof of Lem. 1.1.  $post(X \ ; Y)$  $= \lambda P \cdot \{ \sigma'' \mid \exists \sigma \in P . \langle \sigma, \sigma'' \rangle \in X \circ Y \}$ ∂def. post§  $= \lambda P \cdot \{ \sigma'' \mid \exists \sigma \in P . \exists \sigma' . \langle \sigma, \sigma' \rangle \in X \land \langle \sigma', \sigma'' \rangle \in Y \}$ ?def. \${  $= \lambda P \cdot \{ \sigma'' \mid \exists \sigma' . \sigma' \in \{ \sigma' \mid \exists \sigma \in P . \langle \sigma, \sigma' \rangle \in X \} \land \langle \sigma', \sigma'' \rangle \in Y \}$  $\partial \det$   $\exists$  and  $\in$  $= \lambda P \cdot \{ \sigma'' \mid \exists \sigma' \in \text{post}(X) P . \langle \sigma', \sigma'' \rangle \in Y \}$ ?def. post { =  $\lambda P \cdot \text{post}(Y)(\text{post}(X)P)$ ?def. post {  $= post(Y) \circ post(X)$  $\partial def.$  function composition  $\circ$ LEMMA 1.2 (TEST). post  $\mathbb{B}P = P \cap \mathcal{B}\mathbb{B}$ . Proof of Lem. 1.2. post[B]P  $= \{ \sigma' \mid \exists \sigma \in P . \langle \sigma, \sigma' \rangle \in \llbracket B \rrbracket \}$ ?def. post∫  $= \{ \sigma \mid \sigma \in P \land \sigma \in \mathcal{B}[\![B]\!] \}$  $\langle \det [B] \triangleq \{ \langle \sigma, \sigma \rangle \mid \sigma \in \mathcal{B}[B] \}$ def. intersection ∪  $= P \cap \mathcal{B}[\![B]\!]$ LEMMA 1.3 (STRONGEST POSTCONDITION).  $\mathcal{T}(S) = \alpha_{G} \circ \text{post}[S] = \{ \langle P, \text{post}[S] P \rangle | P \in \wp(\Sigma) \}.$ Proof of Lem. 1.3.  $\mathcal{T}(s)$ =  $\alpha_{\rm G} \circ {\rm post} \circ \alpha_{\rm I} \circ \alpha_{\rm C}(\{[\![ {\rm S} ]\!]_{\perp}\})$  $\partial def. \mathcal{T}$  $\langle \text{def. } \alpha_C \rangle$ =  $\alpha_{\rm G} \circ {\rm post} \circ \alpha_{\it I}([\![ {\tt S} ]\!]_{\perp})$  $= \alpha_{\rm G} \circ {\rm post}(\llbracket {\rm S} \rrbracket_{\perp} \cap (\Sigma \times \Sigma))$  $\partial def. \alpha_1$  $= \alpha_{\rm G} \circ {\rm post}[{\rm S}]$  $\langle def. (1) of the angelic semantics [S] \rangle$ = { $\langle P, \text{ post}[S]P \rangle | P \in \wp(\Sigma)$ }  $\partial def. \alpha_G$ LEMMA 1.4 (STRONGEST POSTCONDITION OVER APPROXIMATION).  $\mathcal{T}_{\mathrm{HL}}(\mathsf{S}) \triangleq \mathrm{post}(\supseteq, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(\mathsf{S}) = \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \mathrm{post}[\![\mathsf{S}]\!] P \subseteq Q \} = \mathrm{post}(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(\mathsf{S})$ Proof of Lem. 1.4.  $post(\supseteq.\subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S)$  $= \text{post}(\supseteq \subseteq)(\mathcal{T}(S))$  $\partial$  def. function composition  $\circ$ =  $post(\supseteq \subseteq)(\{\langle P, post[S]P \rangle \mid P \in \wp(\Sigma)\})$ {Lem. 1.3}  $= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle \mid \exists \langle P, Q \rangle \in \{ \langle P, \mathsf{post}[[S]]P \rangle \mid P \in \wp(\Sigma) \} : \langle \langle P, Q \rangle, \langle P', Q' \rangle \rangle \in \supseteq \subseteq \} \quad (def. (10) of \mathsf{post}) \}$  $= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle \mid \exists P . \langle \langle P, \text{post}[S]P \rangle, \langle P', Q' \rangle \rangle \in \supseteq \subseteq \}$ ?def. ∈ {  $= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle \mid \exists P . \langle P, \text{post}[S]P \rangle \supseteq \subseteq \langle P', Q' \rangle \}$ ?def. ∈ §  $= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle \mid \exists P . P \supseteq P' \land \mathsf{post}[S] P \subseteq Q' \}$ ?def. ⊇.⊆§  $= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle \mid \exists P . P' \subseteq P \land \mathsf{post}[S] P \subseteq Q' \}$ ?def. ⊇§

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 $= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle \mid \mathsf{post}[S] P' \subseteq Q' \}$  $2(\subseteq)$  by Galois connection (12), post is increasing so that  $P' \subseteq P \land \text{post}[S]P \subseteq Q'$  implies  $post[S]P' \subseteq post[S]P \land post[S]P \subseteq Q'$  hence  $post[S]P' \subseteq Q'$  by transitivity; (2) take P = P' $= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle \mid \exists P . P' = P \land \mathsf{post}[S] P \subseteq Q' \}$ 2 def. = $= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle \mid \exists P . \langle P, \text{post}[S]P \rangle = \subseteq \langle P', Q' \rangle \}$ ?def. =, ⊆ {  $= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle \mid \exists P . \langle \langle P, \text{ post} [S] P \rangle, \langle P', Q' \rangle \rangle \in =, \subseteq \}$ ?def. ∈ {  $= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle \mid \exists \langle P, Q \rangle \in \{ \langle P, \text{post}[S]P \rangle \mid P \in \wp(\Sigma) \} . \langle \langle P, Q \rangle, \langle P', Q' \rangle \rangle \in =, \subseteq \}$ 7 def. ∈ {  $= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle \mid \exists \langle P, Q \rangle \in \mathcal{T}(S) . \langle \langle P, Q \rangle, \langle P', Q' \rangle \} \in =, \subseteq \}$ {Lem. 1.3}  $= \text{post}(=, \subseteq)(\mathcal{T}(S))$  $\frac{1}{10}$  of post  $\frac{1}{10}$  $= post(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S)$  $\partial def.$  function composition  $\circ$ 

For simplicity, we consider conditional iteration W = while (B) S with no break.

LEMMA 1.5 (COMMUTATION). post  $\circ F'^e = \overline{F}^e \circ \text{post where } \overline{F}^e(X) \triangleq \text{id } \cup (\text{post}(\llbracket B \rrbracket ; \llbracket S \rrbracket^e) \circ X)$ and  $F'^e \triangleq \lambda X \cdot \text{id } \cup (X ; \llbracket B \rrbracket ; \llbracket S \rrbracket^e), X \in \wp(\Sigma \times \Sigma)$  by (70).

PROOF OF LEM. 1.5.  $post(F'^{e}(X))$  (where  $X \in \wp(\Sigma)$ )  $= post(id \cup (X \circ [B] \circ [S]^{e}))$  (def.  $F^{e}$ )  $= post(id) \cup post(X \circ [B] \circ [S]^{e})$  (join preservation in Galois connection (12))  $= id \cup (post([B] \circ [S]^{e}) \circ post(X))$  (def. post and composition Lem. 1.1)  $= \overline{F}^{e}(post(X))$  (def.  $\overline{F}^{e}$ )  $\Box$ 

LEMMA 1.6 (POINTWISE COMMUTATION).  $\forall X \in \wp(\Sigma) \to \wp(\Sigma) . \forall P \in \wp(\Sigma) . \bar{F}^e(X)P \doteq \bar{\bar{F}}^e_P(X(P))$ where  $\bar{\bar{F}}^e_P(X) \triangleq P \cup \text{post}(\llbracket B \rrbracket \circ \llbracket S \rrbracket^e)X.$ 

Proof of Lem. 1.6.

$$\begin{split} \bar{F}^{e}(X)P & (\operatorname{id} \cup (\operatorname{post}(\llbracket B \rrbracket \, ^{\circ}, \llbracket S \rrbracket^{e}) \circ X))P & (\operatorname{def.} \bar{F}^{e} \, ^{\circ}) \\ &= \operatorname{id}(P) \cup (\operatorname{post}(\llbracket B \rrbracket \, ^{\circ}, \llbracket S \rrbracket^{e}) \circ X)(P) & (\operatorname{pointwise} \operatorname{def.} \, \stackrel{\circ}{\cup} \operatorname{and} \operatorname{function} \operatorname{composition} \circ ) \\ &= P \cup \operatorname{post}(\llbracket B \rrbracket \, ^{\circ}, \llbracket S \rrbracket^{e})(X(P)) & (\operatorname{def.} \operatorname{identity} \operatorname{id} \operatorname{and} \operatorname{function} \operatorname{application} ) \\ &= \bar{F}^{e}_{P}(X(P)) & (\operatorname{def.} \bar{F}^{e}_{P}(X) \triangleq P \cup \operatorname{post}(\llbracket B \rrbracket \, ^{\circ}, \llbracket S \rrbracket^{e})X) & \Box \end{split}$$

THEOREM 1.7 (ITERATION STRONGEST POSTCONDITION). post  $[W]P = \text{post}[\neg B](\text{lfp}^{\subseteq}\bar{F}_P^e)$  where  $\bar{F}_P^e(X) \triangleq P \cup \text{post}([B] \circ [S]^e)X$ .

PROOF OF TH. 1.7. post[[W]] = post(lfp<sup> $\in$ </sup>  $F^{e}$   $(\neg B]$ ) (def. (49) of [[W]] in absence of break) = post[[ $\neg B$ ]  $\circ$  post(lfp<sup> $\in$ </sup>  $F^{e}$ ) (composition Lem. 1.1) = post[[ $\neg B$ ]]  $\circ$  post(lfp<sup> $\in$ </sup>  $F'^{e}$ ) (since lfp<sup> $\in$ </sup>  $F^{e}$  = lfp<sup> $\in$ </sup>  $F'^{e}$  in (70)) = post[[ $\neg B$ ]](lfp<sup> $\in$ </sup>  $\bar{F}^{e}$ ) (commutation Lem. 1.5 and fixpoint abstraction Th. II.2.2)

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= post $[\![\neg B]\!] \circ \lambda P \cdot lfp^{\subseteq} \overline{F}_P^e$ 

(pointwise commutation Lem. 1.6 and pointwise abstraction Cor. II.2.2)  $\Box$ 

COROLLARY 1.8 (CONDITIONAL ITERATION STRONGEST POSTCONDITION GRAPH).  $\mathcal{T}(W) = \{ \langle P, \text{post}[\neg B](\mathsf{lfp} \in \bar{F}_p^e) \rangle | P \in \wp(\Sigma) \}$  where  $\bar{F}_p^e(X) \triangleq P \cup \mathsf{post}([B] \circ [S]^e) X$ .

PROOF OF COR. 1.8.  $\mathcal{T}(W) = \alpha_{G} \circ \text{post}(\llbracket W \rrbracket) \qquad (\text{Lem. 1.3})$   $= \alpha_{G} \circ \text{post}[\llbracket \neg B \rrbracket \circ \lambda P \cdot \text{lfp}^{\subseteq} \overline{\overline{F}}_{P}^{e} \qquad (\text{Th. 1.7})$   $= \{ \langle P, \text{ post}[\llbracket \neg B \rrbracket (\text{lfp}^{\subseteq} \overline{\overline{F}}_{P}^{e}) \rangle \mid P \in \wp(\Sigma) \} \qquad (\text{def. (7) of } \alpha_{G}) \square$ 

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#### 2 CALCULATIONAL DESIGN OF HOARE LOGIC HL

#### 2.1 Calculational Design of Hoare Logic Theory

Theorem 2.1 (Theory of Hoare logic HL).

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{T}_{\mathrm{HL}}(\mathsf{W}) &\triangleq \operatorname{post}(\supseteq.\subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(\mathsf{W}) \\ &= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists I . P \subseteq I \land \langle I \cap \mathcal{B}[\![\mathsf{B}]\!], I \rangle \in T_{HL}(\mathsf{S}) \land (I \cap \neg \mathcal{B}[\![\mathsf{B}]\!]) \subseteq Q \} \end{aligned}$$

Proof of Th. 2.1.

### $\mathcal{T}_{\mathrm{HL}}(\mathtt{W})$

$= post(\exists. \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(\mathtt{W})$	$\langle def. \mathcal{T}_{HL} \rangle$
= post(=,⊆) $\circ \mathcal{T}(W)$	(Lem. 1.4)
$= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle \mid \langle P, Q \rangle \in \mathcal{T}(W) . \langle P, Q \rangle =, \subseteq \langle P', Q' \rangle \}$	{def. post∫
$= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle   \langle P, Q \rangle \in \mathcal{T}(W) : P = P' \land Q \subseteq Q' \}$	{component wise def. =, ⊆∫
$= \{ \langle P, Q' \rangle \mid \exists Q . \langle P, Q \rangle \in \mathcal{T}(W) . Q \subseteq Q' \}$	(def. =)
$= \{ \langle P, Q' \rangle \mid \exists Q : post[\![\neg B]\!] (lfp^{\subseteq} \bar{\bar{F}}_P^e) \subseteq Q \land Q \subseteq Q' \}$	(Th. 1.7)
$= \{ \langle P, Q' \rangle \mid \exists Q : post[\![\neg B]\!] (lfp^{\varsigma}  \bar{\bar{F}}_P^e) \subseteq Q' \}$	
$(\subseteq) \exists Q$ . post $[\neg B]$ (If $p \in \overline{F}_P^e$ ) $\subseteq Q \land Q \subseteq Q'$ and transitivit	y;
(⊇) take $Q = Q'$ ()	
$= \{ \langle P, Q' \rangle \mid \exists Q  .  lfp^{\subseteq} \overline{F}_P^e \subseteq Q \land post[\![\neg B]\!](Q) \subseteq Q' \} $	
$\mathcal{L}(\subseteq)$ take $Q = lfp^{\subseteq} \bar{F}_P^e$ ;	(⊇) post $[¬B]$ is increasing by (12))
$= \{ \langle P, Q' \rangle \mid \exists Q : \exists I : \bar{\bar{F}}_{P}^{e}(I) \subseteq I \land I \subseteq Q \land post[\![\neg B]\!](Q) \subseteq Q' \} $	(Park fixpoint induction Th. II.3.1)
$= \{ \langle P, Q' \rangle \mid \exists I . \bar{\bar{F}}_{P}^{e}(I) \subseteq I \land post[\![\neg B]\!](I) \subseteq Q' \}$	
$(\subseteq) I \subseteq Q$ implies post $[\neg B](I) \subseteq post [\neg B](Q)$ since post $[\neg B]$ is increasing by (12) hence	
$post[\![\negB]\!](I) \subseteq Q' \text{ by transitivity;}$	
$(\supseteq) \text{ take } Q = I $	
$= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists I . P \cup post(\llbracket B \rrbracket ; \llbracket S \rrbracket^e)(I) \subseteq I \land post[\llbracket -B \rrbracket(I) \subseteq Q \}$	(renaming, def. $\bar{F}_P^e$ )
$= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists I . P \cup post(\llbracket B \rrbracket ; \llbracket S \rrbracket)(I) \subseteq I \land post[\llbracket \neg B \rrbracket(I) \subseteq Q \}$	$\langle [S]]^e = [S]$ in absence of breaks
$= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists I . P \subseteq I \land post(\llbracket B \rrbracket  ; \llbracket S \rrbracket) I \subseteq I \land post[\llbracket \neg B \rrbracket(I) \subseteq Q \}$	(def. ⊆ and ∪∫
$= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists I : P \subseteq I \land post[[\mathtt{S}]](post[[\mathtt{B}]]I) \subseteq I \land post[[\neg \mathtt{B}]](I) \subseteq Q \} \}$	$2$ {composition Lem. 1.1}
$= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists I : P \subseteq I \land post[[S]](I \cap \mathcal{B}[[B]]) \subseteq I \land (I \cap \neg \mathcal{B}[[B]]) \subseteq Q \}$	?} (test Lem. 1.2)
$= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists I : P \subseteq I \land \langle I \cap \mathcal{B}[\![B]\!], I \rangle \in \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid post[\![S]\!] P \subseteq Q \} \}$	$\wedge (I \cap \neg \mathcal{B}\llbracket B \rrbracket) \subseteq Q \qquad (\text{def.} \in \mathcal{G})$
$= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists I . P \subseteq I \land \langle I \cap \mathcal{B}[\![B]\!], I \rangle \in post(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S) \land (I \cap \mathcal{B}(\![B]\!], I \rangle \in post(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S) \land (I \cap \mathcal{B}(\![B]\!], I \rangle \in post(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S) \land (I \cap \mathcal{B}(\![B]\!], I \rangle \in post(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S) \land (I \cap \mathcal{B}(\![B]\!], I \rangle \in post(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S) \land (I \cap \mathcal{B}(\![B]\!], I \rangle \in post(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S) \land (I \cap \mathcal{B}(\![B]\!], I \rangle \in post(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S) \land (I \cap \mathcal{B}(\![B]\!], I \rangle \in post(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S) \land (I \cap \mathcal{B}(\![B]\!], I \rangle \in post(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S) \land (I \cap \mathcal{B}(\![B]\!], I \rangle \in post(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S) \land (I \cap \mathcal{B}(\![B]\!], I \rangle \in post(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S) \land (I \cap \mathcal{B}(\![B]\!], I \rangle \in post(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S) \land (I \cap \mathcal{B}(\![B]\!], I \rangle \in post(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S) \land (I \cap \mathcal{B}(\![B]\!], I \rangle \in post(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S) \land (I \cap \mathcal{B}(\![B]\!], I \rangle \in post(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S) \land (I \cap \mathcal{B}(\![B]\!], I \rangle \in post(=, \subseteq) \circ \mathcal{T}(S) \land (I \cap \mathcal{B}(\![B]\!], I \rangle \cap \mathcal{B}(\![B]\!], I \rangle \cap \mathcal{T}(S) \land (I \cap T$	$\neg \mathcal{B}\llbracket B \rrbracket) \subseteq Q \qquad (\text{Lem. 1.4})$
$= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists I : P \subseteq I \land \langle I \cap \mathcal{B}[\![B]\!], I \rangle \in T_{\mathrm{HL}}(S) \land (I \cap \neg \mathcal{B}[\![B]\!]) \subseteq Q \} \}$	$(\text{Lem. 1.4}) \square$

#### 2.2 Hoare logic rules

THEOREM 2.2 (HOARE RULES FOR CONDITIONAL ITERATION).

$$\frac{P \subseteq I, \{I \cap \mathcal{B}[\![B]\!]\} \le \{I\}, (I \cap \neg \mathcal{B}[\![B]\!]) \subseteq Q}{\{P\} \text{ while (B) } \le \{Q\}}$$
(1)

PROOF OF TH. 2.2. We write  $\{P\} \ \mathsf{s} \{Q\} \triangleq \langle P, Q \rangle \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathrm{HL}}(\mathsf{s});$ 

By structural induction (S being a strict component of while (B) S), the rule for  $\{P\}$  S  $\{Q\}$  have already been defined;

By Aczel method, the (constant) fixpoint  $\operatorname{lfp}^{\subseteq} \lambda X \cdot S$  is defined by  $\{ \frac{\emptyset}{c} \mid c \in S \}$ ; So for while (B) S we have an axiom  $\frac{\emptyset}{\{P\} \text{ while (B) } S\{Q\}}$  with side condition  $P \subseteq I$ ,  $\{I \cap I\}$ 

$$\mathcal{B}\llbracket B \rrbracket S \{I\}, \ (I \cap \neg \mathcal{B}\llbracket B \rrbracket) \subseteq Q;$$

Traditionally, the side condition is written as a premiss, to get (1).

# 3 CALCULATIONAL DESIGN OF REVERSE HOARE AKA INCORRECTNESS LOGIC (IL)

**3.1 Calculational Design of Reverse Hoare aka Incorrectness Logic Theory** THEOREM 3.1 (THEORY OF IL).

#### 3.2 Calculational design of IL rules

$$\frac{I^{0} = P, [J^{n} \cap \mathcal{B}\llbracket B \rrbracket] S [J^{n+1}], Q \subseteq (\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} J^{n}) \cap \mathcal{B}\llbracket \neg B \rrbracket}{[P] \text{ while (B) } S [Q]}$$
(2)

PROOF. We write  $[P] S [Q] \triangleq \langle P, Q \rangle \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathrm{IL}}(S);$ 

By structural induction (S being a strict component of while (B) S), the rule for [P] S[Q] have already been defined;

By Aczel method, the (constant) fixpoint  $Ifp \stackrel{\scriptscriptstyle G}{\to} \lambda X \cdot S$  is defined by  $\{ \frac{\emptyset}{c} \mid c \in S \}$ ; So for while (B) S we have an axiom  $\frac{\emptyset}{\{P\} \text{ while (B) S}\{Q\}}$  with side condition  $J^0 = P$ ,  $[J^n \cap$ 

 $\mathcal{B}\llbracket B \rrbracket] S [J^{n+1}], Q \subseteq (\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} J^n) \cap \mathcal{B}\llbracket \neg B \rrbracket;$ 

Traditionally, the side condition is written as a premiss, to get (2).

#### 4 CALCULATIONAL DESIGN OF HOARE INCORRECTNESS LOGIC

#### 4.1 Calculational Design of Hoare Incorrectness Logic Theory

Theorem 4.1 (Equivalent definitions of  $\overline{\text{HL}}$  theories).

$$\mathcal{T}_{\overline{HI}}(\mathsf{S}) \triangleq \mathsf{post}(\subseteq, \supseteq) \circ \alpha \urcorner \circ \mathcal{T}_{HL}(\mathsf{S}) = \alpha \urcorner \circ \mathcal{T}_{HL}(\mathsf{S})$$

Observe that Th. 4.1 shows that  $post(\subseteq, \supseteq)$  can be dispensed with. This implies that the consequence rule is useless for Hoare incorrectness logic.

Proof of Th. 4.1.

 $\mathcal{T}_{\overline{HI}}(S) = \text{post}(\subseteq, \supseteq) \circ \alpha^{\neg} \circ \mathcal{T}_{HL}(S)$  $\langle \text{def. } \mathcal{T}_{\overline{\text{HL}}} \rangle$ = post(( $\subseteq$ ,  $\supseteq$ )( $\neg$ { $\langle P, Q \rangle$  | post[[S]] $P \subseteq Q$ }) (Lem. 1.4 and def. (30) of  $\alpha$  ) =  $post(\subseteq, \supseteq)(\{\langle P, Q \rangle \mid \neg (post[S] P \subseteq Q)\})$ 7 def. º  $= \operatorname{post}(\subseteq, \supseteq)(\{\langle P, Q \rangle \mid \operatorname{post}[S] P \cap \neg Q \neq \emptyset\})$  $2 \text{ def.} \subseteq \text{ and } \neg$  $= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle \mid \exists \langle P, Q \rangle \in \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \mathsf{post}[S] P \cap \neg Q \neq \emptyset \} . \langle P, Q \rangle \subseteq \subseteq \langle P', Q' \rangle \}$ ∂def. post§  $= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle \mid \exists \langle P, Q \rangle : \mathsf{post}[S] P \cap \neg Q \neq \emptyset \land \langle P, Q \rangle \subseteq \supseteq \langle P', Q' \rangle \}$ ?def. ∈ {  $= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle \mid \exists \langle P, Q \rangle : \mathsf{post}[S] P \cap \neg Q \neq \emptyset \land P \subseteq P' \land Q \supseteq Q' \}$ ? component wise def. of  $\subseteq$ ,  $\supseteq$  $= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle \mid \exists Q . \mathsf{post}[S] P' \cap \neg Q \neq \emptyset \land Q \supseteq Q' \}$  $\mathcal{I}(\subseteq)$  if  $P \subseteq P'$  then post  $[S] P \subseteq \text{post} [S] P'$  by (12) so that post  $[S] P \cap \neg Q \neq \emptyset$  implies post  $[S] P' \cap \neg Q \neq \emptyset;$ (2) conversely, if  $\exists Q$  . post [S]P', then  $\exists P$  . post  $[S]P \cap \neg Q \neq \emptyset \land P \subseteq P'$  by choosing P = P'.  $= \{ \langle P', Q' \rangle \mid \text{post}[S] P' \cap \neg Q' \neq \emptyset \}$  $(\subseteq)$  if  $Q \supseteq Q'$  then  $\neg Q' \supseteq \neg Q$  so post  $[S]P' \cap \neg Q \neq \emptyset$  implies post  $[S]P' \cap \neg Q' \neq \emptyset$ ; (2) conversely post  $[S] P' \cap \neg Q' \neq \emptyset$  implies  $\exists Q$ . post  $[S] P' \cap \neg Q \neq \emptyset \land Q \supseteq Q'$  by choosing Q = Q'.  $= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \neg (\mathsf{post}[S] P \subseteq Q) \}$  $2 \text{ def.} \subseteq \text{ and } \neg$  $= \alpha^{\neg} \circ \mathcal{T}_{HL}(S)$  $\partial \det \alpha$  and  $\mathcal{T}_{HL}$  for Hoare logic Theorem 4.2 (Theory of  $\overline{\text{HL}}$ ). W = while (B) S  $\mathcal{T}_{\overline{HI}}(\mathsf{W}) = \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists n \ge 1 : \exists \langle \sigma_i \in I, i \in [1, n] \rangle : \sigma_1 \in P \land$  $\forall i \in [1, n[. \langle \mathcal{B}[B]] \cap \{\sigma_i\}, \neg \{\sigma_{i+1}\}) \in \mathcal{T}_{\overline{HI}}(S) \land \sigma_n \notin \mathcal{B}[B]] \land \sigma_n \notin Q\}$ Proof of Th. 4.2.  $\mathcal{T}_{\overline{\mathrm{HL}}}(W)$  $= \{ \langle P, O \rangle \mid \text{post}[\neg B]] (|\mathsf{lfp}^{\subseteq} \overline{F}_{P}^{e}) \cap \neg O \neq \emptyset \}$   $(\mathsf{Lem}, 1.3, \mathsf{where} \ \overline{F}_{P}^{e}(X) \triangleq P \cup \mathsf{post}([B]] \circledast [S])^{e}(X)$ 

- $= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists I \in \wp(\Sigma) : \bar{F}_{P}^{e}(I) \subseteq I \land \exists \langle W, \leqslant \rangle \in \mathfrak{W}\mathfrak{f} : \exists v \in I \to W : \exists \langle \sigma_{i} \in I, i \in [1, \infty] \rangle : \sigma_{1} \in \bar{F}_{P}^{e}(\emptyset) \land \forall i \in [1, \infty] : \sigma_{i+1} \in \bar{F}_{P}^{e}(\{\sigma_{i}\}) \land \forall i \in [1, \infty] : (\sigma_{i} \neq \sigma_{i+1}) \Rightarrow (v(\sigma_{i}) > v(\sigma_{i+1}) \land \forall i \in [1, \infty] : (v(\sigma_{i}) \neq v(\sigma_{i+1})) \Rightarrow \{\sigma_{i}\} \cap \operatorname{pre}[\neg \mathsf{F}](\neg Q) \neq 0 \}$  (induction principle Th. H.3.5)
- $= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists I \in \wp(\Sigma) : P \subseteq I \land \mathsf{post}(\llbracket B \rrbracket) \circ \llbracket S \rrbracket^e) I \subseteq I \land \exists \langle W, \leqslant \rangle \in \mathfrak{W} \mathfrak{f} : \exists v \in I \to W : \exists \langle \sigma_i \in I, i \in [1, \infty] \rangle : \sigma_1 \in P \land \forall i \in [1, \infty] : (\sigma_{i+1} \in P \lor \{\sigma_{i+1}\} \subseteq \mathsf{post}(\llbracket B \rrbracket) \circ \llbracket S \rrbracket^e) \{\sigma_i\}) \land \forall i \in [1, \infty] : (\sigma_i \neq \sigma_{i+1}) \Rightarrow (v(\sigma_i) > v(\sigma_{i+1}) \land \forall i \in [1, \infty] : (v(\sigma_i) \not> v(\sigma_{i+1}) \Rightarrow \sigma_i \in \mathsf{pre}[\llbracket \neg B \rrbracket) (\neg Q) \}$  $(\mathsf{def}. \ \bar{F}_P^e(X) \triangleq P \cup \mathsf{post}(\llbracket B \rrbracket) \circ \llbracket S \rrbracket^e) X, \subseteq, \text{ and post, which is } \emptyset \text{-strict} \}$

 $= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists I \in \wp(\Sigma) : P \subseteq I \land \mathsf{post}(\llbracket B \rrbracket \circ \llbracket S \rrbracket^e) I \subseteq I \land \exists \langle W, \leqslant \rangle \in \mathfrak{W} \mathfrak{f} : \exists v \in I \to W : \exists \langle \sigma_i \in I, i \in [1, \infty] \rangle : \sigma_1 \in P \land \forall i \in [1, \infty] : \{\sigma_{i+1}\} \subseteq \mathsf{post}(\llbracket B \rrbracket \circ \llbracket S \rrbracket^e) \{\sigma_i\} \land \forall i \in [1, \infty] : (\sigma_i \neq \sigma_{i+1}) \Rightarrow (v(\sigma_i) > v(\sigma_{i+1}) \land \forall i \in [1, \infty] : (v(\sigma_i) \neq v(\sigma_{i+1}) \Rightarrow \sigma_i \in \mathsf{pre}[\llbracket \neg B \rrbracket (\neg Q) \}$ 

(since if  $\sigma_{i+1} \in P$ , we can equivalently consider the sequence  $\langle \sigma_i \in I, j \in [i+1,\infty] \rangle$ )

 $= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists I \in \wp(\Sigma) : P \subseteq I \land \mathsf{post}(\llbracket B \rrbracket ; \llbracket S \rrbracket^e) I \subseteq I \land \exists n \ge 1 : \exists \langle \sigma_i \in I, i \in [1, n] \rangle : \sigma_1 \in P \land \forall i \in [1, n[ : \{\sigma_{i+1}\} \subseteq \mathsf{post}(\llbracket B \rrbracket ; \llbracket S \rrbracket^e) \{\sigma_i\} \land \sigma_n \in \mathsf{pre}[\llbracket \neg B \rrbracket (\neg Q) \} \}$ 

 $\langle (\subseteq)$  By  $\langle W, \leq \rangle \in \mathfrak{Wf}$ ,  $v \in I \to W$ ,  $\forall i \in [1, \infty]$ .  $(\sigma_i \neq \sigma_{i+1}) \Rightarrow (v(\sigma_i) > v(\sigma_{i+1})$ , the sequence is ultimately stationary at some rank *n*. For then on,  $\sigma_{i+1} = \sigma_i$ ,  $i \geq n$  and so  $v(\sigma_i) = v(\sigma_{i+1})$ . Therefore  $\forall i \in [1, \infty]$ .  $(v(\sigma_i) \neq v(\sigma_{i+1}) \Rightarrow \sigma_i \notin Q$  implies that  $\sigma_n \in \operatorname{pre}[\neg B](\neg Q)$ ;

(2) Conversely, from  $\langle \sigma_i \in I, i \in [1, n] \rangle$  we can define  $W = \{\sigma_i \mid i \in [1, n]\} \cup \{-\infty\}$  with  $-\infty < \sigma_i < \sigma_{i+1}$  and  $v(x) = \{x \in \{\sigma_i \mid i \in [1, n] \ \text{?} x \ \text{!} -\infty\}$  and the sequence  $\langle \sigma_j \in I, j \in [1, \infty] \rangle$  repeats  $\sigma_n$  ad infimum for  $j \ge n$ .

- $= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists I \in \wp(\Sigma) . P \subseteq I \land \mathsf{post}(\llbracket B \rrbracket \circ \llbracket S \rrbracket^e) I \subseteq I \land \exists n \ge 1 . \exists \langle \sigma_i \in I, i \in [1, n] \rangle . \sigma_1 \in P \land \forall i \in [1, n[. \{\sigma_{i+1}\} \subseteq \mathsf{post}(\llbracket B \rrbracket \circ \llbracket S \rrbracket^e) \{\sigma_i\} \land \sigma_n \notin \mathcal{B}[\llbracket B \rrbracket \land \sigma_n \notin Q \}$  (def. pre)
- $= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists n \ge 1 : \exists \langle \sigma_i \in I, i \in [1, n] \rangle : \sigma_1 \in P \land \forall i \in [1, n[ : \{\sigma_{i+1}\} \subseteq post(\llbracket B \rrbracket \circ \llbracket S \rrbracket^e) \{\sigma_i\} \land \sigma_n \notin \mathcal{B}[\llbracket B \rrbracket \land \sigma_n \notin Q \}$  (*I* is not used and can always be chosen to be  $\Sigma$ )
- $= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists n \ge 1 . \exists \langle \sigma_i \in I, i \in [1, n] \rangle . \sigma_1 \in P \land \forall i \in [1, n[ . post(\llbracket B \rrbracket \circ \llbracket S \rrbracket^e) \{\sigma_i\} \cap \{\sigma_{i+1}\} \neq \emptyset \land \sigma_n \notin \mathcal{B}[\llbracket B \rrbracket \land \sigma_n \notin Q \}$  (since  $x \in X \Leftrightarrow X \cap \{x\} \neq \emptyset$ )
- $= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists n \ge 1 . \exists \langle \sigma_i \in I, i \in [1, n] \rangle . \sigma_1 \in P \land \forall i \in [1, n[ . post(\llbracket B \rrbracket ; \llbracket S \rrbracket^e) \{\sigma_i\} \cap \neg(\neg \{\sigma_{i+1}\}) \neq \emptyset \land \sigma_n \notin \mathcal{B}\llbracket B \rrbracket \land \sigma_n \notin Q \}$  (def.  $\neg X = \Sigma \smallsetminus X$ )
- $= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists n \ge 1 . \exists \langle \sigma_i \in I, i \in [1, n] \rangle . \sigma_1 \in P \land \forall i \in [1, n[ . \neg(\mathsf{post}(\llbracket B \rrbracket ° \llbracket S \rrbracket ^e) \{ \sigma_i \} \subseteq (\neg \{ \sigma_{i+1} \})) \land \sigma_n \notin \mathcal{B}[\!\llbracket B \rrbracket \land \sigma_n \notin Q \}$
- $= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists n \ge 1 . \exists \langle \sigma_i \in I, i \in [1, n] \rangle . \sigma_1 \in P \land \forall i \in [1, n[ . \neg(post(\llbracket S \rrbracket^e)(\mathcal{B}\llbracket B \rrbracket \cap \{\sigma_i\}) \subseteq (\neg\{\sigma_{i+1}\})) \land \sigma_n \notin \mathcal{B}\llbracket B \rrbracket \land \sigma_n \notin Q \}$  (def. post,  $\llbracket B \rrbracket$ , and  $\Im$ )
- $= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists n \ge 1 . \exists \langle \sigma_i \in I, i \in [1, n] \rangle . \sigma_1 \in P \land \forall i \in [1, n[ . \langle \mathcal{B}[\![B]\!] \cap \{\sigma_i\}, \neg \{\sigma_{i+1}\} \rangle \in \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \neg (\mathsf{post}([\![S]\!]^e) P \subseteq Q) \} \land \sigma_n \notin \mathcal{B}[\![B]\!] \land \sigma_n \notin Q \}$  (def.  $\in$ )
- $= \{ \langle P, Q \rangle \mid \exists n \ge 1 . \exists \langle \sigma_i \in I, i \in [1, n] \rangle . \sigma_1 \in P \land \forall i \in [1, n[ . \langle \mathcal{B}[\![B]\!] \cap \{\sigma_i\}, \neg\{\sigma_{i+1}\} \rangle \in \mathcal{T}_{\overline{\mathrm{HL}}}(\mathsf{S}) \land \sigma_n \notin \mathcal{B}[\![B]\!] \land \sigma_n \in Q \}$

#### 4.2 Calculational Design of HL Proof Rules

Theorem 4.3 ( $\overline{\text{HL}}$  rules for conditional iteration). W = while (B) S

$$\frac{\exists \langle \sigma_i \in I, i \in [1,n] \rangle . \sigma_1 \in P \land \forall i \in [1,n[. (\mathcal{B}[B]) \cap \{\sigma_i\}) \land (\neg \{\sigma_{i+1}\}) \land \sigma_n \notin \mathcal{B}[B]) \land \sigma_n \notin Q}{(P) \text{ while (B) } \land (Q)}$$
(3)

PROOF OF (3). We write  $(P) S (Q) \triangleq \langle P, Q \rangle \in \overline{HL}(S);$ 

By structural induction (S being a strict component of while (B) S), the rule for (P) S (Q) have already been defined;

By Aczel method, the (constant) fixpoint  $|fp^{c} \lambda X \cdot S|$  is defined by  $\{\frac{\emptyset}{c} | c \in S\}$ ;

So for while (B) S we have an axiom  $\frac{\emptyset}{(P) \text{ while } (B) S(Q)}$  with side condition  $\exists \langle \sigma_i \in I, i \in [1,n] \rangle$ .  $\sigma_1 \in P \land \forall i \in [1,n[ . (B[B] \cap \{\sigma_i\}) S(\neg\{\sigma_{i+1}\}) \land \sigma_n \notin B[B] \land \sigma_n \notin Q$  where  $(B[B] \cap \{\sigma_i\}) S(\neg\{\sigma_{i+1}\}) \otimes (\neg\{\sigma_{i+1}\})$  is well-defined by structural induction;

Traditionally, the side condition is written as a premiss, to get (3).

This is nothing but debugging formalized as a logic since  $\langle \sigma_i \in I, i \in [1, n] \rangle$  is a finite iteration in the loop starting with *P* true and finishing with *Q* false, which is obviously a counter example to Hoare triple  $\{P\}$  while (B)  $S\{Q\}$ . Notice that recursively  $\|\mathcal{B}[B]] \cap \{\sigma_i\} \otimes S(\{\sigma_{i+1}\})$  enforces the execution of the loop body S to start in state  $\sigma_i$  and terminate in state  $\sigma_{i+1}$ .

#### 5 COMPARISON OF INCORRECTNESS LOGIC AND HOARE INCORRECTNESS LOGIC

Lemma 5.1 (IL is sufficient but not necessary for incorrectness). Assuming  $Q \neq \Sigma$ .  $(\{P\} \setminus \{O\}) \iff \operatorname{nost}(R) P \cap \neg O \neq \emptyset$ 

$$\neg (\{P\} \ S\{Q\}) \Leftrightarrow \operatorname{post}(R)P \cap \neg Q \neq \emptyset \qquad (4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists \sigma \in P . \exists \sigma' \notin Q . (\sigma, \sigma') \in [S]$$

$$\Rightarrow P \cap \operatorname{pre}[[S] \neg Q \neq \emptyset$$

$$\notin \sigma' \notin Q . \exists \sigma \in P . (\sigma, \sigma') \in [S]$$

$$\Rightarrow [P] \ S[\neg Q]$$
PROOF OF LEM. 5.1.
$$\neg (\{P\} \ S\{Q\})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \neg (\operatorname{post}[[S]]P \subseteq Q) \qquad (Lem. 1.4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{post}[[S]P \cap \neg Q \neq \emptyset \qquad (De \ Morgan)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \exists \sigma \in P . \exists \sigma' \notin Q . (\sigma, \sigma') \in [S]$$

$$\Rightarrow \neg Q \subseteq \operatorname{post}[[S]P \qquad (def. \operatorname{pre})$$

$$[P] \ S[\neg Q] \qquad (def. \operatorname{post})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \neg Q \subseteq \{\sigma' \mid \exists \sigma \in P . (\sigma, \sigma') \in [S]\} \qquad (def. \operatorname{post})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall \sigma' \notin Q . \exists \sigma \in P . (\sigma, \sigma') \in [S]$$

$$\stackrel{\text{\tiny (f)}}{\Longrightarrow} \exists \sigma \in P . \exists \sigma' . \langle \sigma, \sigma' \rangle \in [S] \land \sigma' \notin Q$$

 $\mathcal{I}(\Rightarrow)$  Assume  $\neg Q \neq \emptyset$  so pick  $\sigma_0 \in \neg Q$ . Then, by hypothesis,  $\exists \sigma_1 \in P$ .  $\langle \sigma_0, \sigma_1 \rangle \in [S]$ proving  $\exists \sigma \in P$ .  $\exists \sigma' . \langle \sigma, \sigma' \rangle \in [S] \land \sigma' \notin Q$  with  $\sigma = \sigma_0$  and  $\sigma' = \sigma_1$ ;

 $(\notin)$  If  $\neg Q = \emptyset$  i.e.  $Q = \Sigma$  then  $\forall \sigma' \notin Q$ .  $\exists \sigma \in P : \langle \sigma, \sigma' \rangle \in [S]$  is vacuously true while  $\exists \sigma' \, . \, \sigma' \notin Q$  hence  $\exists \sigma \in P \, . \, \exists \sigma' \, . \, \langle \sigma, \sigma' \rangle \in [S] \land \sigma' \notin Q$  is false 

LEMMA 5.2 (PROVING HOARE INCORRECTNESS WITH IL).

$$\neg(\{P\} S\{Q\}) \iff \exists R \in \wp(\Sigma) . [P] S[R] \land R \cap \neg Q \neq \emptyset$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists \sigma \in \Sigma . [P] S[\{\sigma\}] \land \sigma \notin Q$$
(5)

 $\neg(\{P\} \mathsf{S}\{Q\})$ /def. incorrect Hoare triple \  $\Leftrightarrow \exists \sigma \in P \ . \ \exists \sigma' \notin Q \ . \ \langle \sigma, \sigma' \rangle \in \llbracket S \rrbracket$ 2 lem. 5.1 $\Leftrightarrow \exists \sigma \notin Q . \exists \sigma' \in P . \langle \sigma', \sigma \rangle \in [S]$ (commutativity and renaming)  $\Leftrightarrow \exists \sigma \in \Sigma : \exists \sigma' \in P : \langle \sigma', \sigma \rangle \in [S] \land \sigma \notin Q$ ?def.∃§  $\Leftrightarrow \exists \sigma \in \Sigma . \forall \sigma'' \in \{\sigma\} . \exists \sigma' \in P . \langle \sigma', \sigma'' \rangle \in [S] \land \sigma \notin Q$ ?def. ∈§  $\Leftrightarrow \exists \sigma \in \Sigma . [P] S[\{\sigma\}] \land \sigma \notin Q$ ?def. IL∫  $\Leftrightarrow \exists R \in \wp(\Sigma) \ . \ [P] \leq [R] \land R \cap \neg Q \neq \emptyset$  $\mathcal{I}(\subseteq)$  take  $R = \{\sigma\};$ (2) since  $R \cap \neg Q \neq \emptyset$ , we have  $\exists \sigma \in R$ .  $\sigma \notin Q$  and  $[P] S[\{\sigma\}]$  since otherwise we would have  $\neg(\forall \sigma'' \in \{\sigma\} : \exists \sigma' \in P : \langle \sigma'', \sigma' \rangle \in [S]) \Leftrightarrow \forall \sigma' \in P : \langle \sigma, \sigma' \rangle \notin [S])$ , in contradiction with [P] S [R] and  $\sigma \in R$ .

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