

## Answers Exam Program Correctness, April, 1st, 2016.

**Problem 1 (20 pt).** Declared are the variables  $a, b, n : \mathbb{N}$ . Design an annotated command  $S$  that satisfies the Hoare triple:

$$\{ b \cdot a^n = X \wedge 2 \cdot Y \leq n < 2 \cdot (Y + 1) \} \ S \ \{ b \cdot a^n = X \wedge n = Y \}$$

You are not allowed to use a loop.

**Answer:**

$$\begin{aligned} & \{ b \cdot a^n = X \wedge 2 \cdot Y \leq n < 2 \cdot (Y + 1) \} \\ & \quad (* \text{ calculus; } n = 2 \cdot (n \text{ div } 2) + n \text{ mod } 2 *) \\ & \{ b \cdot a^{2 \cdot (n \text{ div } 2) + n \text{ mod } 2} = X \wedge 2 \cdot Y \leq n < 2 \cdot (Y + 1) \} \\ & \quad (* \text{ calculus } *) \\ & \{ b \cdot a^n \text{ mod } 2 \cdot a^{2 \cdot (n \text{ div } 2)} = X \wedge 2 \cdot Y \leq n < 2 \cdot (Y + 1) \} \\ & \quad (* \text{ calculus } *) \\ & \{ b \cdot (n \text{ mod } 2 = 0 ? 1 : a) \cdot a^{2 \cdot (n \text{ div } 2)} = X \wedge 2 \cdot Y \leq n < 2 \cdot (Y + 1) \} \\ b := b * (n \text{ mod } 2 = 0 ? 1 : a); \\ & \{ b \cdot a^{2 \cdot (n \text{ div } 2)} = X \wedge 2 \cdot Y \leq n < 2 \cdot (Y + 1) \} \\ & \quad (* \text{ calculus } *) \\ & \{ b \cdot (a \cdot a)^n \text{ div } 2 = X \wedge 2 \cdot Y \leq n < 2 \cdot (Y + 1) \} \\ a := a * a; \\ & \{ b \cdot a^n \text{ div } 2 = X \wedge 2 \cdot Y \leq n < 2 \cdot (Y + 1) \} \\ & \quad (* \text{ calculus } *) \\ & \{ b \cdot a^n \text{ div } 2 = X \wedge Y \leq n \text{ div } 2 < Y + 1 \} \\ n := n \text{ div } 2; \\ & \{ b \cdot a^n = X \wedge y \leq n < Y + 1 \} \\ & \quad (* \text{ calculus } *) \\ & \{ b \cdot a^n = X \wedge n = Y \} \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 2 (30 pt).** Design and prove the correctness of a command  $T$  that satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{const } n : \mathbb{Z}, a : \text{array } [0..n) \text{ of } \mathbb{Z}; \\ & \text{var } z : \mathbb{Z}; \\ & \{ P : n > 0 \} \\ & T \\ & \{ Q : z = \text{Max} (\text{Min} (a[i] + a[j] \mid i, j : 0 \leq i \leq j \leq k) \mid k : 0 \leq k < n) \} . \end{aligned}$$

The time complexity of the command  $S$  must be linear in  $n$ . You are not allowed to use the values  $\pm\infty$  in the program. Start by defining one or more suitable helper functions with corresponding recurrences.

**Answer:** We introduce  $F(x) = \text{Max} (\text{Min} (a[i] + a[j] \mid i, j : 0 \leq i \leq j \leq k) \mid k : 0 \leq k < x)$  such that we can rewrite the postcondition as

$$Q : z = F(n)$$

Since the values  $\pm\infty$  are not allowed in the program, we use the base case

$$F(1) = \text{Min} (a[i] + a[j] \mid i, j : 0 \leq i \leq j \leq 0) = a[0] + a[0] = 2 \cdot a[0]$$

In a loop, we will increment  $x$ , so we are interested in a recurrence for  $F(x + 1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
& F(x+1) \\
= & \{ \text{definition } F \} \\
& \text{Max} (\text{Min} (a[i] + a[j] \mid i, j : 0 \leq i \leq j \leq k) \mid k : 0 \leq k < x+1) \\
= & \{ \text{assume } 0 \leq x < n; \text{ split } k < x \text{ or } k = x \} \\
& \text{Max} (\text{Min} (a[i] + a[j] \mid i, j : 0 \leq i \leq j \leq k) \mid k : 0 \leq k < x) \mathbf{max} \text{Min} (a[i] + a[j] \mid i, j : 0 \leq i \leq j \leq x) \\
= & \{ \text{definition } F; \text{ use half-open intervals } \} \\
& F(x) \mathbf{max} \text{Min} (a[i] + a[j] \mid i, j : 0 \leq i \leq j < x+1) \\
= & \{ \text{introduce } G(x) = \text{Min} (a[i] + a[j] \mid i, j : 0 \leq i \leq j < x) \} \\
& F(x) \mathbf{max} G(x+1)
\end{aligned}$$

It is clear that  $G(1) = 2 \cdot a[0]$  as well. We are interested in a recurrence for  $G(x+1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
& G(x+1) \\
= & \{ \text{definition } G \} \\
& \text{Min} (a[i] + a[j] \mid i, j : 0 \leq i \leq j < x+1) \\
= & \{ \text{assume } 0 \leq x < n; \text{ split } j < x \text{ or } j = x \} \\
& \text{Min} (a[i] + a[j] \mid i, j : 0 \leq i \leq j < x) \mathbf{min} \text{Min} (a[i] + a[x] \mid i : 0 \leq i \leq x) \\
= & \{ \text{definition } G; \text{ calculus; use half-open intervals} \} \\
& G(x) \mathbf{min} (a[x] + \text{Min} (a[i] \mid i : 0 \leq i < x+1)) \\
= & \{ \text{introduce } H(x) = \text{Min} (a[i] \mid i : 0 \leq i < x) \} \\
& G(x) \mathbf{min} (a[x] + H(x+1))
\end{aligned}$$

It is clear that  $H(1) = a[0]$ . We are interested in a recurrence for  $H(x+1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
& H(x+1) \\
= & \{ \text{definition } H \} \\
& \text{Min} (a[i] \mid i : 0 \leq i < x+1) \\
= & \{ \text{assume } 0 \leq x < n; \text{ split } i < x \text{ or } i = x \} \\
& \text{Min} (a[i] \mid i : 0 \leq i < x) \mathbf{min} a[x] \\
= & \{ \text{definition } H \} \\
& H(x) \mathbf{min} a[x]
\end{aligned}$$

We can now introduce the invariant:  $J : z = F(x) \wedge g = G(x) \wedge h = H(x) \wedge 1 \leq x \leq n$ .

Clearly, we choose the guard  $B : x \neq n$ , such that  $J \wedge \neg B \Rightarrow Q$

For the variant function we choose  $\mathbf{vf} = n - x \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Clearly  $J \wedge B \Rightarrow J \Rightarrow \mathbf{vf} \geq 0$ .

Initialization of the invariant is easy:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \{ n > 0 \} \\
& \quad (* \text{ base cases recurrences; } n > 0 \text{ so } a[0] \text{ exists } *) \\
& \quad \{ 2 \cdot a[0] = F(1) \wedge 2 \cdot a[0] = G(1) \wedge a[0] = H(1) \wedge 1 \leq 1 \leq n \}. \\
z := & 2 * a[0]; g := 2 * a[0]; h := a[0]; x := 1; \\
& \{ J : z = F(x) \wedge g = G(x) \wedge h = H(x) \wedge 1 \leq x \leq n \}
\end{aligned}$$

We now turn to the derivation of the body of the while-loop.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \{ J \wedge B \wedge \mathbf{vf} = V \} \\
& \quad (* \text{ definitions } J, B, \text{ and } \mathbf{vf} *) \\
& \quad \{ z = F(x) \wedge g = G(x) \wedge h = H(x) \wedge 1 \leq x < n \wedge n - x = V \} \\
& \quad \quad (* \text{ recurrence } H(x+1); \text{ substitution } *) \\
& \quad \quad \{ z = F(x) \wedge g = G(x) \wedge h \mathbf{min} a[x] = H(x+1) \wedge 1 \leq x < n \wedge n - x = V \} \\
h := & h \mathbf{min} a[x]; \\
& \quad \{ z = F(x) \wedge g = G(x) \wedge h = H(x+1) \wedge 1 \leq x < n \wedge n - x = V \} \\
& \quad \quad (* \text{ recurrence } G(x+1); \text{ substitution } *) \\
& \quad \quad \{ z = F(x) \wedge g \mathbf{min} (a[x] + h) = G(x+1) \wedge h = H(x+1) \wedge 1 \leq x < n \wedge n - x = V \} \\
g := & g \mathbf{min} (a[x] + h); \\
& \quad \{ z = F(x) \wedge g = G(x+1) \wedge h = H(x+1) \wedge 1 \leq x < n \wedge n - x = V \} \\
& \quad \quad (* \text{ recurrence } F(x+1); \text{ substitution } *)
\end{aligned}$$

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{z max g = F(x + 1) ∧ g = G(x + 1) ∧ h = H(x + 1) ∧ 1 ≤ x < n ∧ n - x = V}
z := z max g;
{z = F(x + 1) ∧ g = G(x + 1) ∧ h = H(x + 1) ∧ 1 ≤ x < n ∧ n - x = V}
(* prepare x := x + 1; calculus *)
{z = F(x + 1) ∧ g = G(x + 1) ∧ h = H(x + 1) ∧ 1 ≤ x < n ∧ n - (x + 1) < V}
x := x + 1;
{J ∧ ∀f < V : z = F(x) ∧ g = G(x) ∧ h = H(x) ∧ 1 ≤ x < n ∧ n - x < V}

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We completed the proof. We found the following program fragment:

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const n : ℤ, a : array [0..n) of ℤ;
var z, s, t, x : ℤ;
{ P : n > 0 }
z := 2 * a[0];
g := 2 * a[0];
h := a[0];
x := 1;
{ J : z = F(x) ∧ g = G(x) ∧ h = H(x) ∧ 1 ≤ x ≤ n }
(* ∀f = n - x *)
while x ≠ n do
  h := h min a[x];
  g := g min (a[x] + h);
  z := z max g;
  x := x + 1;
end;
{ Q : z = F(n) }

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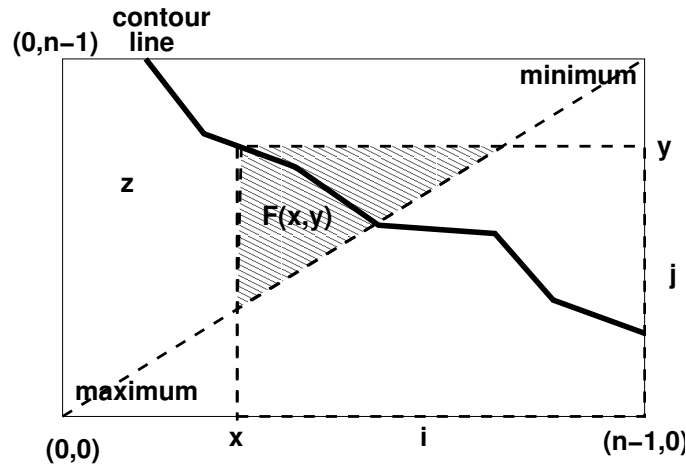
**Problem 3 (40 pt).** Given is a two-dimensional array  $a$  that is *descending* in its first argument and *decreasing* in its second argument. Consider the following specification:

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const n, w : ℕ, a : array [0..n) of ℕ;
var z : ℕ;
{ P : Z = #{(i, j) | i, j : 0 ≤ i ≤ j < n ∧ a[i, j] = w} }
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{ Q : Z = z }

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(a) Make a sketch in which you clearly indicate where the array is high, low, and how a contour line goes.



(b) Define a function  $F(x, y)$  that can be used to compute  $Z$ . Determine the relevant recurrences for  $F(x, y)$ , including the base cases.

**Answer:** We define the function  $F(x, y) = \#\{(i, j) \mid i, j : x \leq i \leq j < y \leq n \wedge a[i, j] = w\}$ . It is clear that  $x \geq y \Rightarrow F(x, y) = 0$ . To reduce the triangular area (see sketch), we need to increment  $x$  or decrement  $y$ . We first have a look at an increment of  $x$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
& F(x, y) \\
= & \{ \text{definition } F \} \\
& \#\{(i, j) \mid i, j : x \leq i \leq j < y \leq n \wedge a[i, j] = w\} \\
= & \{ \text{assume } x < y; \text{ so domain non-empty; split } i = x \text{ or } x + 1 \leq i \} \\
& \#\{(i, j) \mid i, j : x + 1 \leq i \leq j < y \leq n \wedge a[i, j] = w\} + \\
& \#\{j \mid j : x \leq j < y \leq n \wedge a[x, j] = w\} \\
= & \{ \text{definition } F \} \\
& F(x + 1, y) + \#\{j \mid j : x \leq j < y \leq n \wedge a[x, j] = w\} \\
= & \{ a[x, j] \text{ is decreasing in } j; \text{ so } a[x, y - 1] \text{ is minimal; assume } a[x, y - 1] \geq w; \text{ then } a[x, j] > w \text{ for } j < y - 1 \} \\
& F(x + 1, y) + \text{ord}(a[x, y - 1] = w)
\end{aligned}$$

Next we investigate a decrement of  $y$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
& F(x, y) \\
= & \{ \text{definition } F \} \\
& \#\{(i, j) \mid i, j : x \leq i \leq j < y \leq n \wedge a[i, j] = w\} \\
= & \{ \text{assume } x < y; \text{ so domain non-empty; split } j = y - 1 \text{ or } j < y - 1 \} \\
& \#\{(i, j) \mid i, j : x \leq i \leq j < y - 1 \leq n \wedge a[i, j] = w\} + \\
& \#\{i \mid i : x \leq i \leq y - 1 \wedge a[i, y - 1] = w\} \\
= & \{ \text{definition } F \} \\
& F(x, y - 1) + \#\{i \mid i : x \leq i \leq y - 1 \wedge a[i, y - 1] = w\} \\
= & \{ a[i, y - 1] \text{ is descending in } i; \text{ so } a[x, y - 1] \text{ is maximal; assume } a[x, y - 1] < w; \text{ then } a[i, y - 1] < w \text{ for } x \leq i \} \\
& F(x, y - 1)
\end{aligned}$$

In conclusion, we found the following recurrence relation for  $F(x, y)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
x \geq y & \Rightarrow F(x, y) = 0 \\
x < y \wedge a[x, y - 1] \geq w & \Rightarrow F(x, y) = F(x + 1, y) + \text{ord}(a[x, y - 1] = w) \\
x < y \wedge a[x, y - 1] < w & \Rightarrow F(x, y) = F(x, y - 1)
\end{aligned}$$

(c) Design a command  $U$  that has a linear time complexity in  $n$ . Prove the correctness of your solution.

**Answer:** The precondition can be rewritten as:  $P : Z = F(0, n)$ . We introduce the invariant, guard, and variant function:

$$\begin{aligned}
J & : Z = z + F(x, y) \\
B & : x < y \\
\text{vf} & = y - x \in \mathbb{Z}
\end{aligned}$$

Clearly,  $J \wedge \neg B \Rightarrow Z = z$ . It is also clear that  $B \Rightarrow \text{vf} \geq 0$ . The invariant is easy to initialize:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \{ P : Z = F(0, n) \} \\
& \quad (* \text{ calculus } *) \\
& \{ Z = 0 + F(0, n) \}. \\
z := 0; x := 0; y := n; \\
& \{ J : Z = z + F(x, y) \}
\end{aligned}$$

We now turn to the derivation of the body of the while-loop.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \{J \wedge B \wedge \mathbf{vf} = V\} \\
& \quad (* \text{ definitions } J, B, \text{ and } \mathbf{vf} *) \\
& \{Z = z + F(x, y) \wedge x + y < n \wedge y - x = V\} \\
\mathbf{if} \ a[x, y - 1] \geq w \ \mathbf{then} \\
& \quad \{a[x, y - 1] \geq w \wedge Z = z + F(x, y) \wedge x < y \wedge y - x = V\} \\
& \quad \quad (* \text{ recurrence } F(x + 1, y); \text{ logic; calculus } *) \\
& \quad \{Z = z + \mathbf{ord}(a[x, y - 1] = w) + F(x + 1, y) \wedge y - (x + 1) < V\} \\
& \quad z := z + \mathbf{ord}(a[x, y] = w); \\
& \quad \{Z = z + F(x + 1) \wedge y - (x + 1) < V\} \\
& \quad x := x + 1; \\
& \quad \{Z = z + F(x, y) \wedge y - x < V\} \\
\mathbf{else} \\
& \quad \{a[x, y - 1] < w \wedge Z = z + F(x, y) \wedge x < y \wedge y - x = V\} \\
& \quad \quad (* \text{ recurrence } F(x, y - 1); \text{ logic; calculus } *) \\
& \quad \{Z = z + F(x, y - 1) \wedge (y - 1) - x < V\} \\
& \quad y := y - 1; \\
& \quad \{Z = z + F(x, y) \wedge y - x < V\} \\
\mathbf{end}; \quad (* \text{ collect branches } *) \\
& \{J \wedge \mathbf{vf} < V : Z = z + F(x, y) \wedge y - x < V\}
\end{aligned}$$

We completed the proof. We found the following program fragment:

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const n, w :  $\mathbb{N}$ ,  a : array [0..n) of  $\mathbb{N}$ ;
var x, y, z :  $\mathbb{N}$ ;
  {P : Z =  $\#\{(i, j) \mid i, j : 0 \leq i \leq j < n \wedge a[i, j] = w\}$  }
x := 0;
y := n;
z := 0;
  {J : Z = z +  $\#\{(i, j) \mid i, j : x \leq i \leq j < n \wedge a[i, j] = w\}$  }
  (*  $\mathbf{vf} = y - x$  *)
while x < y do
  if a[x, y - 1]  $\geq$  w then
    z := z +  $\mathbf{ord}(a[x, y - 1] = w)$ ;
    x := x + 1;
  else
    y := y - 1;
  end;
end;
  {Q : Z = z}

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