

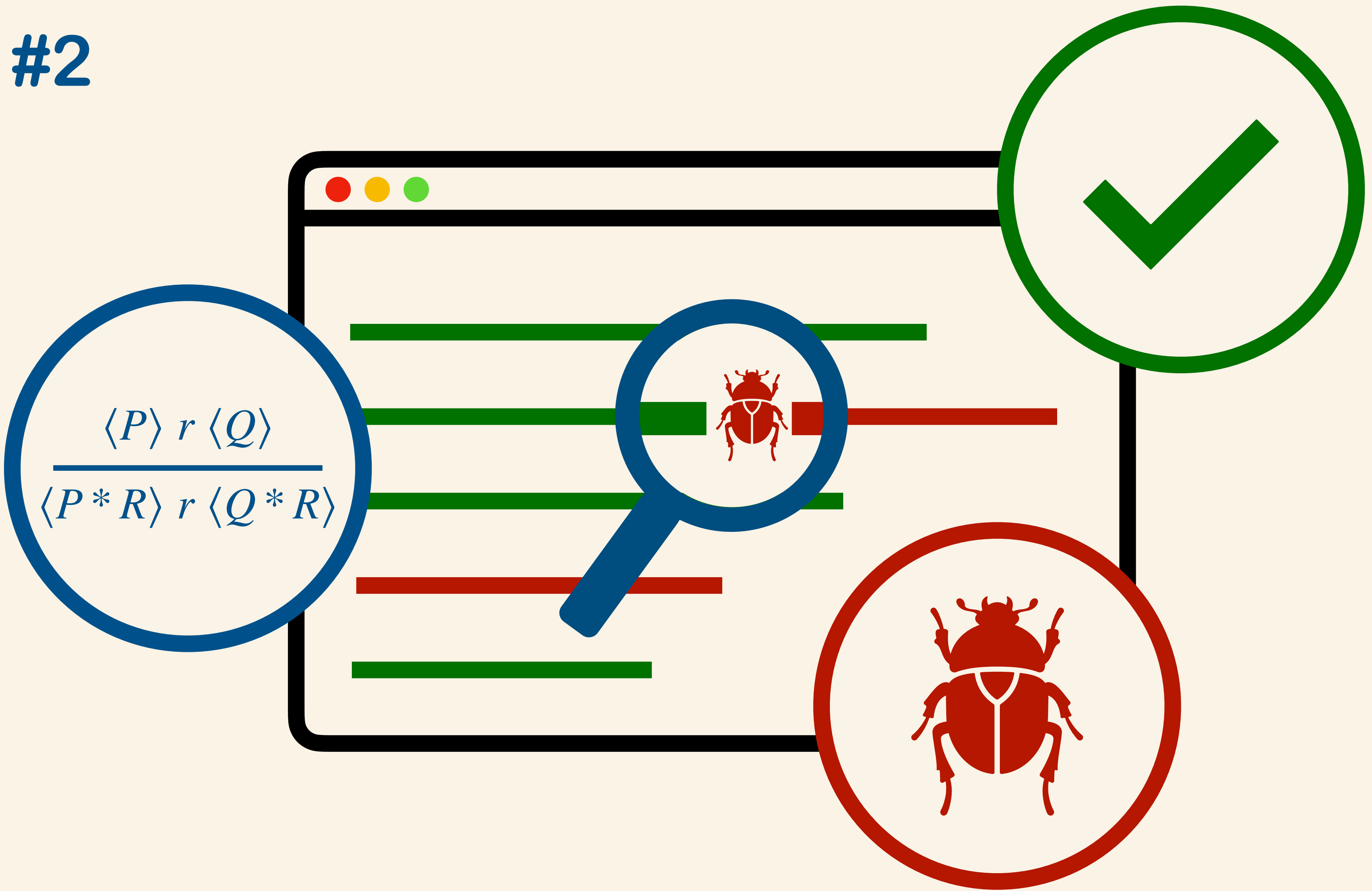


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Program Analysis

Lecture #2

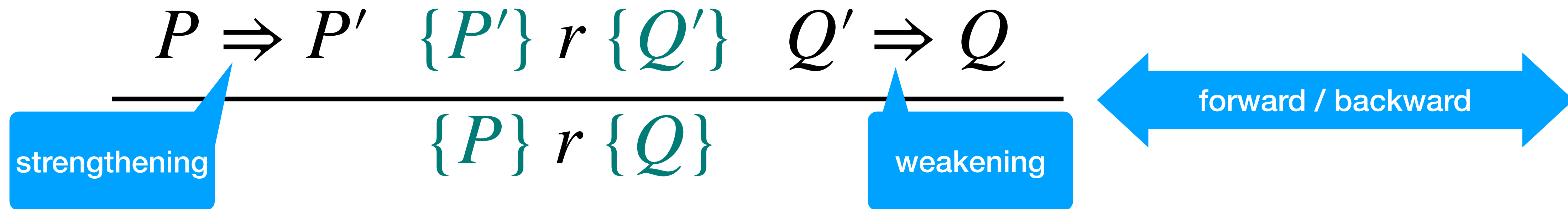
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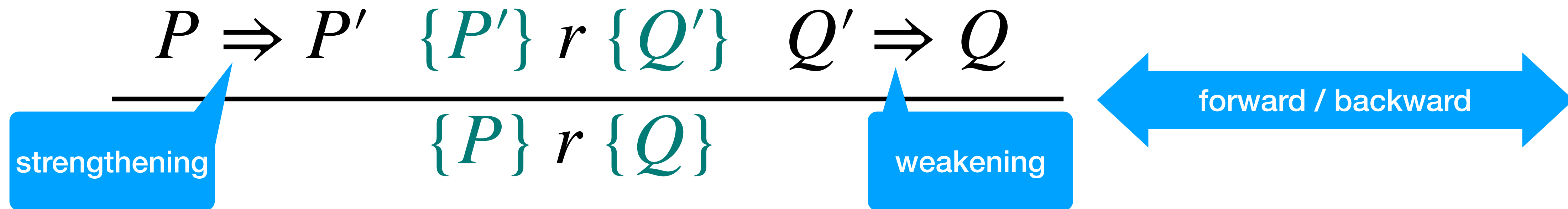


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Consequence rule

$$\frac{P \Rightarrow P' \quad \{P'\} r \{Q'\} \quad Q' \Rightarrow Q}{\{P\} r \{Q\}}$$

Diagram illustrating the Consequence rule with annotations:

- strengthening**: Points to the antecedent $P \Rightarrow P'$.
- weakening**: Points to the consequent $Q' \Rightarrow Q$.
- forward / backward**: A large blue arrow pointing right, indicating the direction of the rule's application.

$$\begin{aligned} &\{x \geq 0 \wedge y > 0\} \Rightarrow \\ &\{-y < 0 \wedge x \geq 0 \wedge y \geq 0\} \Rightarrow \\ &\{x - y < x \wedge x + y \geq 0\} \end{aligned}$$

$n := x - y;$

$$\{n < x \wedge x + y \geq 0\}$$

Hoare's proof

{true}

$r := x$

$q := 0;$

while $y \leq r$ do

$r := r - y;$

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$$\{x = r + qy \wedge y \leq r\}$$

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$$\{x = r + qy\}$$

$$\{x = r + qy \wedge y > r\}$$

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$$\{x = r + qy \wedge y \leq r\} \Rightarrow \{x = r + qy\} \equiv \{x = (r - y) + (q + 1)y\}$$

$r := r - y;$

$$\{x = r + (q + 1)y\}$$

$q := q + 1$

$$\{x = r + qy\}$$

$$\{x = r + qy \wedge y > r\}$$

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$$\{x = r + qy\}$$

$$\{x = r + qy \wedge y > r\}$$

$$[[c]][x \mapsto 5, y \mapsto -2] = \dots = \emptyset$$

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while $z = 0$ do

$$\{x = r + qy \wedge z = 0\} \Rightarrow \{x = (r - y) + (q + 1)y\}$$

$$r := r - y;$$

$$\{x = r + (q + 1)y\}$$

$$q := q + 1$$

$$\{x = r + qy\}$$

$$\{x = r + qy \wedge z \neq 0\}$$

$$\llbracket c \rrbracket [x \mapsto 5, y \mapsto 2, z \mapsto 0] = \dots = \emptyset$$

No guarantee of termination

$$\{x \geq 0\}$$

while $x > 0$ do

$$\{x \geq 0 \wedge x > 0\} \equiv \{x + 1 \geq 0\}$$

$x := x + 1;$

$$\{x \geq 0\}$$

$$\{x \geq 0 \wedge x \leq 0\} \equiv \{x = 0\}$$

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False positive

$\{x = 1\}$ while $x > 0$ do $x := x + 1$ $\{x = 0\}$

complete the proof below

not a possible
output!

$\{x = 1\} \Rightarrow \{?\}$

while $x > 0$ do

$\{? \wedge x > 0\}$

$x := x + 1;$

$\{?\}$

$\{? \wedge x \leq 0\} \Rightarrow \{x = 0\}$

Partial vs total correctness

when the precondition is met,
executing the command
establishes the postcondition



partial

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

when the precondition is met,
executing the command **terminates**
and establishes the postcondition



total

total correctness = partial correctness + termination

Total correctness: the idea

$\{P\}$
while b do
 $\{P \wedge b\}$
 c
 $\{P\}$
 $\{P \wedge \neg b\}$

choose a measure
called "variant"
(e.g., an arithmetic expression)

t

$t = z$

prove that each execution
of the body c
decreases the value of t

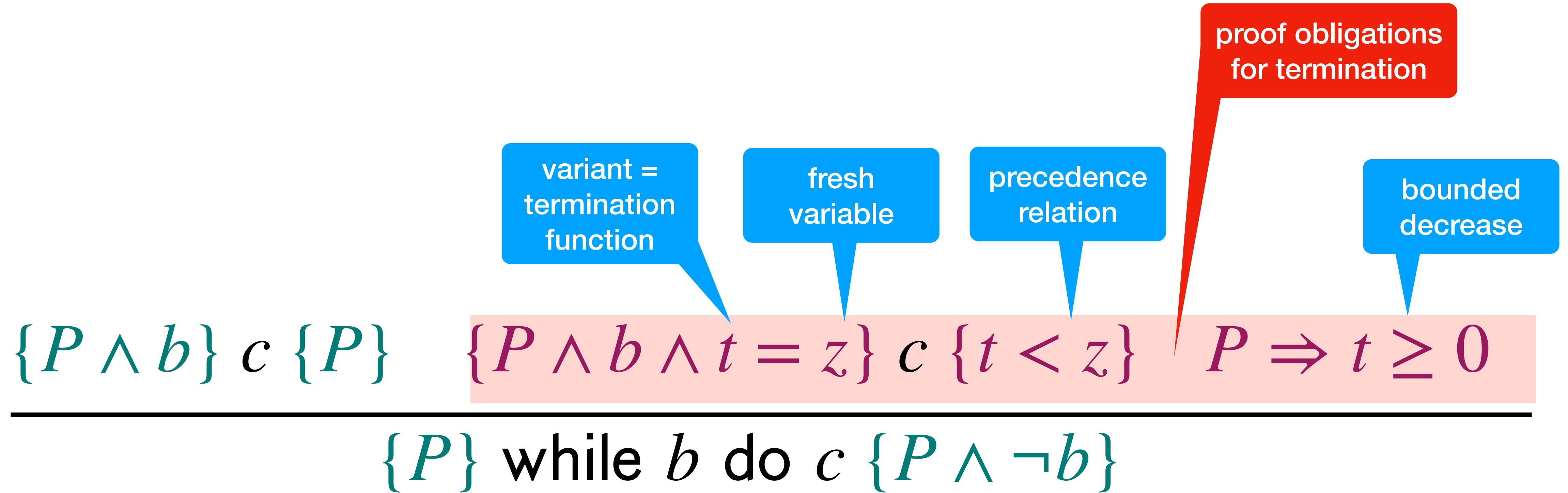
$t < z$

here z is a fresh variable
that keeps the value of t
before the execution of c

prove that
whenever the loop invariant holds
the value of t is bounded below

$t \geq 0$

Rule for total correctness



Total correctness proof

$\{x \geq 0\}$ take $t \triangleq x$

while $x > 0$ do

$\{x \geq 0 \wedge x > 0\} \equiv \{x - 1 \geq 0\}$

$x := x - 1;$

$\{x \geq 0\}$

$\{x \geq 0 \wedge x \leq 0\} \equiv \{x = 0\}$

proof
obligations

$P \Rightarrow t \geq 0$

$x \geq 0 \Rightarrow x \geq 0$

$\{P \wedge b \wedge t = z\} c \{t < z\}$

$\{x \geq 0 \wedge x > 0 \wedge x = z\} \Rightarrow$

$\{x = z\} \Rightarrow$

$\{x < z + 1\} \equiv$

$\{x - 1 < z\} \Rightarrow$

$x := x - 1$

$\{x < z\}$

Total correctness proof

$$\{x \geq 0 \wedge y > 0\} \equiv \{x \geq 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge x = x + 0y\}$$

$r := x$

$$\{x \geq 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge x = r + 0y\} \equiv \{r \geq 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge x = r + 0y\}$$

$q := 0;$

$$\{r \geq 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge x = r + qy\} \text{ take } t \triangleq r$$

while $y \leq r$ do

$$\{r \geq y > 0 \wedge x = r + qy\} \Rightarrow \{r - y \geq 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge x = r - y + (q + 1)y\}$$

$r := r - y;$

$$\{r \geq 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge x = r + (q + 1)y\}$$

$q := q + 1$

$$\{r \geq 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge x = r + qy\}$$

$$\{y > r \geq 0 \wedge x = r + qy\}$$

Proof obligations

$$P \Rightarrow t \geq 0$$

$$(r \geq 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge x = r + qy) \Rightarrow r \geq 0$$

take $t \triangleq r$

$$\{P \wedge b \wedge t = z\} \text{ c } \{t < z\}$$

$$\{r \geq y > 0 \wedge \dots \wedge r = z\} \Rightarrow \{r \geq 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge \dots \wedge r - y < z\}$$

$r := r - y;$

$$\{r \geq 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge \dots \wedge r < z\}$$

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$$\{r \geq 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge \dots \wedge r < z\} \Rightarrow \{r < z\}$$

If rule

$$\frac{\{P \wedge b\} c_1 \{Q\} \quad \{P \wedge \neg b\} c_2 \{Q\}}{\{P\} \text{ if } b \text{ then } c_1 \text{ else } c_2 \{Q\}}$$

$\{\text{true}\}$

if $x \geq 0$ then

$\{x \geq 0\}$

skip

$\{x \geq 0\}$

else

$\{\neg(x \geq 0)\} \equiv \{-x > 0\}$

$x := -x$

$\{x > 0\} \Rightarrow \{x \geq 0\}$

$\{x \geq 0\}$

Finding invariants is difficult!

{true}

```
k := 1;  
r := x;  
while k > 0 do  
  if r > 100 then  
    r := r - 10;  
    k := k - 1  
  else  
    r := r + 11;  
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{*r* = *f*(*x*)}

what is
f?

McCarthy's 91 function

{true}

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Invariant for McCarthy's 91 function?

{true}

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which
invariant?

{ ? }

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Yes! To find an invariant for the given program:

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we need to determine a property that holds **before and after each iteration** of the loop.

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- The program initializes $r = x$ and $q = 0$.
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Yes! Let's analyze and find an invariant for the given program:

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{true}

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don't
think so!

when $(k = 1, r = x)$ then $r = x + 11k$ does not hold!

{ $r = x + 11k$ }

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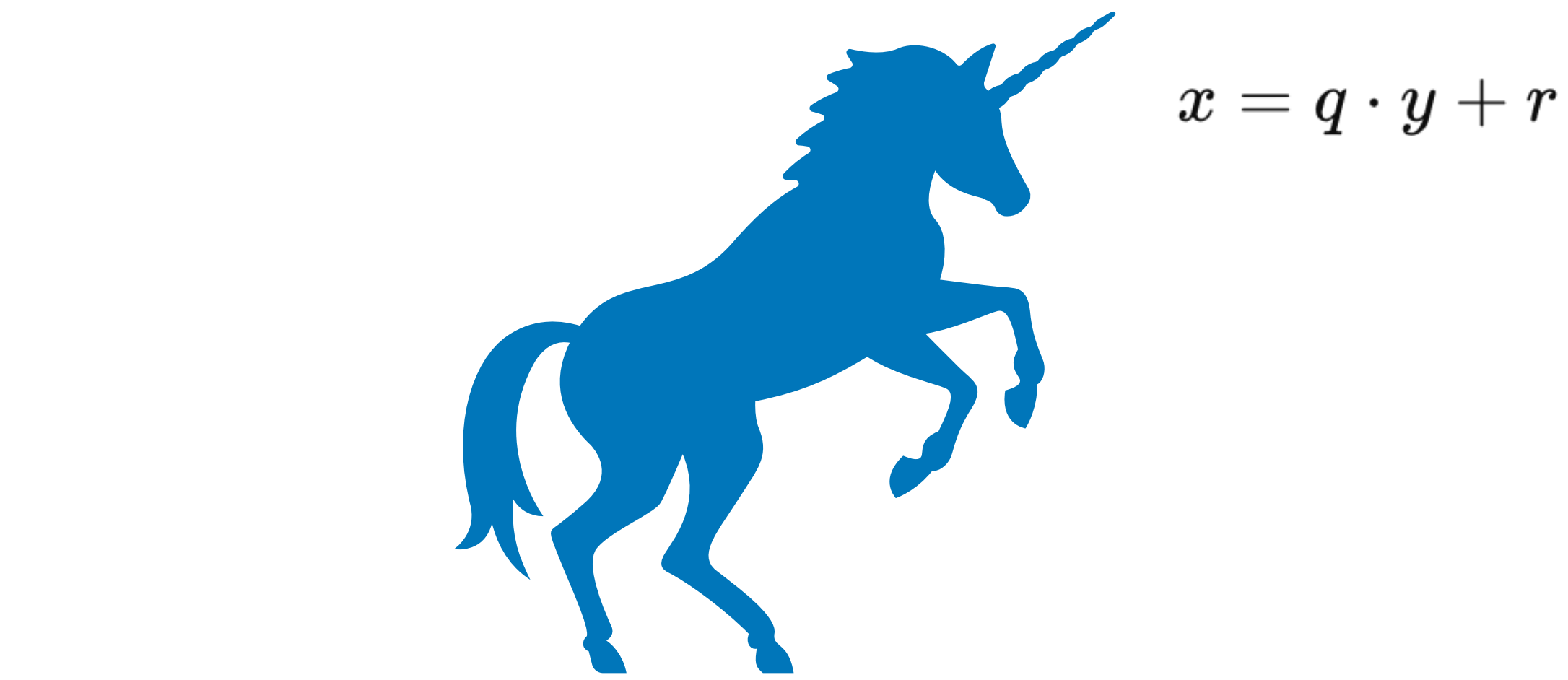
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$\{k \geq 0 \wedge f^k(r) = f(x)\}$

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$\{k = 0 \wedge f^k(r) = f(x)\} \Rightarrow \{r = f(x)\}$

which variant
(for termination)?

$$f(x) \triangleq \begin{cases} f(f(x + 11)) & x \leq 100 \\ x - 10 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$f(x) \triangleq \begin{cases} 91 & x \leq 100 \\ x - 10 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Finding invariants (McCarthy91)

{true}

$k := 1;$

$r := x;$

$\{k \geq 0 \wedge f^k(r) = f(x)\}$

$t = (|101 - r + 10k|, k)$

lexicographic
order

while $k > 0$ do

if $r > 100$ then

$r := r - 10;$

$k := k - 1$

else

$r := r + 11;$

$k := k + 1$

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**Validity, soundness,
completeness**

Validity

A HL triple $\{P\} c \{Q\}$ is **valid** if $\llbracket c \rrbracket P \subseteq Q$

Is $\{x > 0\} x := 10x \{x > 10\}$ valid? 

Is $\{x > 0, y > 0\} x := yx \{x \geq 0\}$ valid? 

Is $\{\text{false}\} c \{Q\}$ valid? 

Is $\{P\} c \{\text{true}\}$ valid? 

Correctness

Th. Any derivable HL triple is valid

Proof. By induction on the derivation tree, e.g.

$$\frac{\{P\} c_1 \{R\} \quad \{R\} c_2 \{Q\}}{\{P\} c_1; c_2 \{Q\}} \quad \text{We prove the conclusion is valid assuming the premises are valid}$$

$$\llbracket c_1; c_2 \rrbracket P = \llbracket c_2 \rrbracket (\llbracket c_1 \rrbracket P) \subseteq \llbracket c_2 \rrbracket R \subseteq Q$$

Incompleteness I

Conjecture Any valid HL triple is derivable

Counterexample:

$\{\text{true}\} \ c \ \{\text{false}\}$ is valid only when c diverges
but halting problem is not r.e.
while the set of derivable HL triples is r.e.

Incompleteness II

Conjecture Any valid HL triple is derivable

Counterexample:

$\{\text{true}\}$ skip $\{Q\}$ is valid when Q is a tautology

but Godel's Incompleteness Theorem (1939) tells us that there is no *effective* proof system such that its theorems coincide with all valid arithmetic assertions

Relative completeness I

Relative completeness: suppose we can consult an oracle to check if an assertion $P \Rightarrow P'$ is valid or not, then HL is complete

In other words, we separate concerns about programs and reasoning about them from concerns to do with arithmetic and the incompleteness of any proof system for it

Dijkstra's weakest precondition

Given a command c and a postcondition Q a **weakest liberal precondition** is a predicate P such that for any precondition R

$$\{R\} c \{Q\} \text{ iff } R \Rightarrow P$$

i.e., P is the least restrictive requirement that guarantees that Q holds after executing c (if it terminates)

Typically, it is denoted by $wlp(c, Q) \triangleq \{\sigma \in \Sigma \mid [[c]]\{\sigma\} \subseteq Q\}$

Adjoint

$$P \Rightarrow wlp(c, Q)$$

iff

strongest
postcondition

$$[[c]]P \subseteq Q$$

(Relative) Completeness

for any postcondition Q expressible in the logic
and for any command c , the precondition
 $wlp(c, Q)$ is also expressible in the logic

Th. If the logic language is *expressive enough*, then any valid HL triple can be derived.

Proof. Suppose $\{P\} c \{Q\}$ is valid (with P and Q expressible).
By structural induction on c we can build an assertion R that is
equivalent to $wlp(c, Q)$ and such that $\{R\} c \{Q\}$ is derivable.
By applying the consequence rule we derive $\{P\} c \{Q\}$.

Adding nondeterminism

Regular commands

regular
command

atomic
command

$r ::= e$

$r_1; r_2$

$r_1 + r_2$

r^\star

choice

Kleene
star

$e ::= \text{skip} \mid x := a \mid b? \mid \dots$

$\llbracket b? \rrbracket P \triangleq \llbracket b \rrbracket P$

$\llbracket r_1 + r_2 \rrbracket P \triangleq \llbracket r_1 \rrbracket P \cup \llbracket r_2 \rrbracket P$

$\llbracket r^\star \rrbracket P \triangleq \bigcup_{k=0}^{\infty} \llbracket r \rrbracket^k P$

Encoding while commands

if b then c_1 else $c_2 \triangleq (b?; c_1) + (\neg b?; c_2)$

while b do $c \triangleq (b?; c)^{\star}; \neg b?$

Minimal set of rules

$$\frac{}{\{P\} e \{\llbracket e \rrbracket P\}} \{\text{atom}\} \qquad \frac{\{P\} r_1 \{R\} \quad \{R\} r_2 \{Q\}}{\{P\} r_1; r_2 \{Q\}} \{\text{seq}\}$$

$$\frac{\forall i \in \{1,2\} \quad \{P\} r_i \{Q\}}{\{P\} r_1 + r_2 \{Q\}} \{\text{choice}\} \qquad \frac{\{P\} r \{P\}}{\{P\} r^\star \{P\}} \{\text{iter}\}$$

$$\frac{P \Rightarrow P' \quad \{P'\} r \{Q'\} \quad Q' \Rightarrow Q}{\{P\} r \{Q\}} \{\text{cons}\}$$

Auxiliary rules

$$\frac{\{P_1\} \, r \, \{Q_1\} \quad \{P_2\} \, r \, \{Q_2\}}{\{P_1 \vee P_2\} \, r \, \{Q_1 \vee Q_2\}} \text{ \{disj\} }$$

assigned variables in r
are disjoint from
free variables in R

$$\frac{\{P_1\} \, r \, \{Q_1\} \quad \{P_2\} \, r \, \{Q_2\}}{\{P_1 \wedge P_2\} \, r \, \{Q_1 \wedge Q_2\}} \text{ \{conj\} }$$

$$\frac{\{P\} \, r \, \{Q\}}{\{P \wedge R\} \, r \, \{Q \wedge R\}} \text{ \{frame\} }$$

$$\frac{P \Rightarrow P' \quad \{P'\} \, r \, \{Q\}}{\{P\} \, r \, \{Q\}} \text{ \{stren\} }$$

$$\frac{\{P\} \, r \, \{Q'\} \quad Q' \Rightarrow Q}{\{P\} \, r \, \{Q\}} \text{ \{weak\} }$$

Questions

Question 1

Can we take $P = \neg b$ an invariant?

$$\frac{\{P \wedge b\} \ c \ \{P\}}{\{P\} \ \text{while } b \ \text{do } c \ \{P \wedge \neg b\}}$$

$$\frac{\{\text{false}\} \ c \ \{\neg b\}}{\{\neg b\} \ \text{while } b \ \text{do } c \ \{\neg b\}} \quad \checkmark$$

Question 2

Find a derivation for the HL triple

$\{\text{true}\}$ if $x \geq y$ then $z := x$ else $z := y$ $\{z = \max(x, y)\}$

$\{\text{true}\}$

if $x \geq y$ then

$\{x \geq y\}$

$z := x$

$\{z = x \geq y\} \Rightarrow \{z = \max(x, y)\}$

else

$\{x < y\}$

$z := y$

$\{z = y > x\} \Rightarrow \{z = \max(x, y)\}$

$\{z = \max(x, y)\}$

Question 3

Prove that rule {conj} is sound
$$\frac{\{P_1\} \textit{r} \{Q_1\} \quad \{P_2\} \textit{r} \{Q_2\}}{\{P_1 \wedge P_2\} \textit{r} \{Q_1 \wedge Q_2\}} \textit{conj}$$

Assume $\llbracket r \rrbracket P_1 \subseteq Q_1$ and $\llbracket r \rrbracket P_2 \subseteq Q_2$

By monotonicity of $\llbracket r \rrbracket$ we have:

$\llbracket r \rrbracket (P_1 \wedge P_2) \subseteq \llbracket r \rrbracket P_1 \subseteq Q_1$ and

$\llbracket r \rrbracket (P_1 \wedge P_2) \subseteq \llbracket r \rrbracket P_2 \subseteq Q_2$

Therefore $\llbracket r \rrbracket (P_1 \wedge P_2) \subseteq Q_1 \wedge Q_2$

Question 4

Show that the following rule for assignment is not sound

$$\frac{}{\{P\} x := a \{P[a/x]\}}$$

syntax
replacement

Consider the instance $\{x = y\} x := 0 \{y = 0\}$

then $\llbracket x := 0 \rrbracket [x \mapsto 1, y \mapsto 1] = [x \mapsto 0, y \mapsto 1] \not\models \{y = 0\}$