# CS411 Preliminary Examination

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This exam is closed book. There are 9 questions in the exam. Please write your answers in an exam booklet. Make sure you clearly indicate your final answer for each question.

1. [8 pts] Indicate which of the following commands are equivalent:

   (a) `while (b) do c`

   (b) `while (b) do (c;c)`

   (c) `while (b) do (c; while (b) do c)`

   (d) `while (b) do (while (b) do (c;c))`

2. [12 pts] For each of the following partial correctness assertions, write an appropriate loop invariant that would make it possible to prove its validity:

   (a) [6 pts] `{i = 1} while (i < 100) do i := i+1 {i = 100}`

   (b) [6 pts] `{i = 1} while (i < 100) do i := i+2 {i = 101}`

3. [8 pts] What are the possible values of $n$ for which the following partial correctness assertion holds?

   `{x = n}  y := x-1; x := x+1; y := y*x  {x = y+2}`

4. [7 pts] Are there any commands `c` for which the following Hoare-triple holds? If no, explain why. If yes, show an example.

   `{x > 0} while (x > 0) do c {x > 0}`

5. [18 pts] Suppose we build an analysis for IMP that identifies pairs of variables whose values are off by one. For this, we use an analysis domain: $\mathsf{Abs} = \mathsf{Var} \times \mathsf{Var} \to \{0, 1, ?\}$. The meaning of Abs is as follows: given $a \in \mathsf{Abs}$ and variables `x` and `y`, then $a(\mathtt{x},\mathtt{y}) = 0$ if $\mathtt{x} = \mathtt{y}$; $a(\mathtt{x},\mathtt{y}) = 1$ if $\mathtt{x} = \mathtt{y} + 1$; and $a(\mathtt{x},\mathtt{y}) =?$ if the relation between the values of `x` and `y` is not known.

   (a) [6 pts] What is the most precise information that such an analysis can derive at the end of the following program: `x := 0; y := 1; z := x + 1` ?

   (b) [12 pts] Show the analysis for assignments of the form $\mathtt{x} := \mathtt{y} + 1$. More precisely, given $a \in \mathsf{Abs}$ before the assignment, show how to compute the analysis information $a'$ after the assignment. Make sure your analysis result is as accurate as possible.

6. [7 pts] What is the set of free variables of $\lambda x.z\ (\lambda y.y\ x)\ y$?

7. [7 pts] What is the result of following substitution: $(\lambda x.y\ (\lambda y.y\ x))\ [x/y]$?

8. [7 pts] Which is true about the evaluation of the following expression: a) call-by-name is faster; b) call-by-value is faster; or c) they both take the same number of evaluation steps?

   $(\lambda x.\lambda y.x\ y\ y)\ ((\lambda x.x)(\lambda x.x))\ (\lambda x.x)$

9. [26 pts] Consider the following simple stack language STK:

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\begin{array}{l}
c \in \mathsf{Com} \quad c \;::=\; \texttt{skip} \mid n \mid x \mid \texttt{pop}\ x \mid + \mid c_1\,;\,c_2 \mid \texttt{if}\ c_1\ c_2 \mid \texttt{loop}\ c \\
n \in \mathsf{Int} \\
x \in \mathsf{Var}
\end{array}
$$

The execution of the program maintains a store $S : \mathsf{Var} \to \mathsf{Int}$ that maps variables to their values, and a stack $T$ of integers. The empty stack is $\emptyset$, and $(T : n)$ is a stack obtained by pushing value $n$ on top of stack $T$. The following rules describe the semantics of this language:

$$\langle n,\ T,\ S\rangle \to \langle \texttt{skip},\ T : n,\ S\rangle \qquad \langle x,\ T,\ S\rangle \to \langle \texttt{skip},\ T : S(x),\ S\rangle$$

$$\langle \texttt{pop}\ x,\ T : n,\ S\rangle \to \langle \texttt{skip},\ T,\ S[x \mapsto n]\rangle \qquad \frac{n = n_1 + n_2}{\langle +,\ T : n_1 : n_2,\ S\rangle \to \langle \texttt{skip},\ T : n,\ S\rangle}$$

$$\frac{\langle c_1,\ T,\ S\rangle \to \langle c_1',\ T',\ S'\rangle}{\langle c_1; c_2,\ T,\ S\rangle \to \langle c_1'; c_2,\ T',\ S'\rangle} \qquad \langle \texttt{skip}; c,\ T,\ S\rangle \to \langle c,\ T,\ S\rangle$$

$$\frac{n_1 < n_2}{\langle \texttt{if}\ c_1\ c_2,\ T : n_1 : n_2,\ S\rangle \to \langle c_1,\ T,\ S\rangle} \qquad \frac{n_1 \geq n_2}{\langle \texttt{if}\ c_1\ c_2,\ T : n_1 : n_2,\ S\rangle \to \langle c_2,\ T,\ S\rangle}$$

$$\langle \texttt{loop}\ c,\ T,\ S\rangle \to \langle \texttt{if}\ (c; \texttt{loop}\ c)\ \texttt{skip},\ T,\ S\rangle$$

Final configurations are of the form $\langle \texttt{skip}, T, S\rangle$.

(a) [7 pts] Identify all of the error configurations in STK.

(b) [7 pts] Write an error-free STK program that never terminates.

(c) [12 pts] For each of the following IMP commands, write an equivalent STK command (one that yields the same final store as the IMP command):

i. `if (x > 0) then x := x + 1 else skip`

ii. `while (x < y) do x := x + 2`