# CS 4110

# Programming Languages & Logics



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# Definition (Equivalence of commands)

Two commands c and c' are equivalent (written  $c \sim c'$ ) if, for any stores  $\sigma$  and  $\sigma'$ , we have

$$\langle \sigma, \mathbf{c} \rangle \Downarrow \sigma' \iff \langle \sigma, \mathbf{c}' \rangle \Downarrow \sigma'.$$

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For example, we can prove that every **while** command is equivalent to its "unrolling":

#### **Theorem**

For all  $b \in \mathbf{Bexp}$  and  $c \in \mathbf{Com}$ ,

while b do  $c \sim$  if b then (c; while b do c) else skip

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We show each implication separately...

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Given the derivation,

we would write:  $\mathcal{D} \Vdash \langle \sigma, i := 42 \rangle \Downarrow \sigma[i \mapsto 42]$ 

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In a proof by induction on derivations, for every inference rule, assume that the property *P* holds for all immediate subderivations, and show that it holds of the conclusion.

# Large-Step Semantics

$$\begin{aligned} \mathsf{SKIP} & \frac{\langle \sigma, a \rangle \Downarrow n}{\langle \sigma, \mathsf{skip} \rangle \Downarrow \sigma} & \mathsf{ASSGN} \frac{\langle \sigma, a \rangle \Downarrow n}{\langle \sigma, x := a \rangle \Downarrow \sigma[x \mapsto n]} \\ & \mathsf{SEQ} & \frac{\langle \sigma, c_1 \rangle \Downarrow \sigma' & \langle \sigma', c_2 \rangle \Downarrow \sigma''}{\langle \sigma, c_1; c_2 \rangle \Downarrow \sigma''} \\ & \mathsf{IF-T} & \frac{\langle \sigma, b \rangle \Downarrow \mathsf{true} & \langle \sigma, c_1 \rangle \Downarrow \sigma'}{\langle \sigma, \mathsf{if} \ b \ \mathsf{then} \ c_1 \ \mathsf{else} \ c_2 \rangle \Downarrow \sigma'} \\ & \mathsf{IF-F} & \frac{\langle \sigma, b \rangle \Downarrow \mathsf{false} & \langle \sigma, c_2 \rangle \Downarrow \sigma'}{\langle \sigma, \mathsf{if} \ b \ \mathsf{then} \ c_1 \ \mathsf{else} \ c_2 \rangle \Downarrow \sigma'} \\ & \mathsf{WHILE-T} & \frac{\langle \sigma, b \rangle \Downarrow \mathsf{true} & \langle \sigma, c \rangle \Downarrow \sigma' & \langle \sigma', \mathsf{while} \ b \ \mathsf{do} \ c \rangle \Downarrow \sigma''}{\langle \sigma, \mathsf{while} \ b \ \mathsf{do} \ c \rangle \Downarrow \sigma''} \\ & \mathsf{WHILE-F} & \frac{\langle \sigma, b \rangle \Downarrow \mathsf{false}}{\langle \sigma, \mathsf{while} \ b \ \mathsf{do} \ c \rangle \Downarrow \sigma''} \\ & \mathsf{WHILE-F} & \frac{\langle \sigma, b \rangle \Downarrow \mathsf{false}}{\langle \sigma, \mathsf{while} \ b \ \mathsf{do} \ c \rangle \Downarrow \sigma''} \end{aligned}$$

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