

Pre- and Post-Conditions

PRE: what needs to be true for code to do its job
POST: what the code does

sum(A) PRE: A is an array of summable items

POST: returns $\sum_{i=0}^{\text{len}(A)-1} A[i]$

sort(A) PRE: A is an array of comparable items

POST: $A[0] \leq A[1] \leq \dots \leq A[\text{len}(A)-1]$
and A is permutation A_{in}

sort(A)
for i=0 to len(A)-1
A[i]=i

this code satisfies,
but doesn't sort,
need 2nd part of POST

sg ← a * a

PRE: a is multipliable

POST: sg = a * a

min ← -b / (2 * a)

PRE: arithmetic is possible and a ≠ 0

POST: min = result of arithmetic

x ← A[i] + A[j]

PRE: 0 ≤ i, j < len(A) and elts are summable

POST: x = result of arithmetic

Invariants

Loop Invariant: something true at start of every iteration (right before condition test)

Loop Invariant Thm: *the loop invariant*

For predicate P , if
 a) P is true when loop 1st starts (after 0 iterations)
 b) whenever P is true before an iteration and condition (guard) is true P is true after next iteration
 then P is a loop invariant (T before testing condition after n iterations for all n s.t. there are n iterations)

iteration

Also want loop terminates & true at termination and condition is false \rightarrow postconditions are met

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sum(A)
total ← 0
i ← 0
while i < len(A)
    total = total + A[i]
    i ← i + 1
return total
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INV: $i = n$
 $total = \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} A[k]$

Base case ($n=0$): $i=0$ by initialization so $i=n$

$total = 0$ by initialization
 $\sum_{k=0}^{i-1} A[k] = \sum_{k=0}^{-1} A[k] = 0 = total$

Term: if $n = len(A)$ then $i = len(A)$ and loop terminates
 if $n < len(A)$ then $i < len(A)$ and loop continues

Ind: Suppose INV true after n iterations and $i < len(A)$
 (want: INV true after $n+1$ iters)

$i_{old} = n$
 $i_{new} = i_{old} + 1 = n + 1$ [want $i_{new} = n+1$]

$total_{old} = \sum_{k=0}^{i_{old}-1} A[k]$

$total_{new} = total_{old} + A[i_{old}]$
 $= \sum_{k=0}^{i_{old}-1} A[k] + A[i_{old}]$
 $= \sum_{k=0}^{i_{old}} A[k]$

Post: Suppose loop terminates. Then $n = len(A)$ and $i = len(A)$

and $total = \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} A[k]$

$= \sum_{k=0}^{len(A)-1} A[k]$ POST
 which is returned

$$= \sum_{k=0} A[k]$$
$$= \sum_{k=0}^{i_{nw}-1} A[k]$$