

Switch to a ML-style programming language  
Functions and Function calls  
More on Specification Languages and Application to  
Arrays

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## Reminder of the last lecture

- ▶ Logics and automated prover capabilities
  - ▶ propositional logic
  - ▶ first-order logic
  - ▶ theories
    - ▶ equality
    - ▶ integer arithmetic
- ▶ classical Floyd-Hoare logic
  - ▶ very simple "IMP" programming language
  - ▶ deduction rules for triples  $\{Pre\}s\{Post\}$
- ▶ weakest liberal pre-conditions (Dijkstra)
  - ▶ function  $WLP(s, Q)$  returning a logic formula
  - ▶ soundness: if  $P \rightarrow WLP(s, Q)$  then triple  $\{P\}s\{Q\}$  is valid
- ▶ main "creative" activity: *discovering loop invariants*

## Exercise 1

Consider the following (inefficient) program for computing the sum  $a + b$

```
x <- a; y <- b;
while y > 0 do
  x <- x + 1; y <- y - 1
```

(Why3 file to fill in: `imp_sum.mlw`)

- ▶ Propose a post-condition stating that the final value of  $x$  is the sum of the values of  $a$  and  $b$
- ▶ Find an appropriate loop invariant
- ▶ Prove the program

## Exercise 2

The following program is one of the original examples of Floyd

```
q <- 0; r <- x;
while r >= y do
  r <- r - y; q <- q + 1
```

(Why3 file to fill in: `imp_euclidean_div.mlw`)

- ▶ Propose a formal precondition to express that  $x$  is assumed non-negative,  $y$  is assumed positive, and a formal post-condition expressing that  $q$  and  $r$  are respectively the quotient and the remainder of the Euclidean division of  $x$  by  $y$
- ▶ Find appropriate loop invariants and prove the correctness of the program

## This Lecture's Goals

- ▶ Switch to a “modern” ML-style language
- ▶ Extend that language:
  - ▶ Labels for reasoning on the past
  - ▶ Local mutable variables
  - ▶ Sub-programs, *function calls*, *modular reasoning*
- ▶ (First-order) logic as a *modeling language*
  - ▶ Definitions of new types, product types
  - ▶ Definitions of functions, of predicates
  - ▶ Axiomatizations
- ▶ Application:
  - ▶ a bit of higher-order logic
  - ▶ program on *Arrays*

## Outline

### “Modern” Approach, Blocking Semantics

- A ML-like Programming Language
- Blocking Operational Semantics
- Weakest Preconditions Revisited

Syntax extensions

Advanced Modeling of Programs

Programs on Arrays

## Beyond IMP and classical Hoare Logic

Extended language

- ▶ more data types
- ▶ *logic variables*: local and **immutable**
- ▶ *labels* in specifications

Handle termination issues:

- ▶ prove properties on non-terminating programs
- ▶ prove termination when wanted

Prepare for adding later:

- ▶ run-time errors (how to prove their absence)
- ▶ local **mutable** variables, functions
- ▶ complex data types

## Extended Syntax: Generalities

- ▶ We want a few basic data types : int, bool, real, unit
- ▶ *No difference between expressions and statements anymore*

Basically we consider

- ▶ A purely functional language (ML-like)
- ▶ with *global mutable variables*  
**very restricted notion of modification of program states**

## Base Data Types, Operators, Terms

- ▶ unit type: type `unit`, only one constant `()`
- ▶ Booleans: type `bool`, constants `True`, `False`, operators `and`, `or`, `not`
- ▶ integers: type `int`, operators `+`, `-`, `*` (no division)
- ▶ reals: type `real`, operators `+`, `-`, `*` (no division)
- ▶ Comparisons of integers or reals, returning a boolean
- ▶ “if-expression”: written `if b then t1 else t2`

```
t ::= val           (values, i.e. constants)
    | v             (logic variables)
    | x             (program variables)
    | t op t        (binary operations)
    | if t then t else t (if-expression)
```

## Local logic variables

We extend the syntax of terms by

$$t ::= \text{let } v = t \text{ in } t$$

Example: approximated cosine

```
let cos_x =
  let y = x*x in
  1.0 - 0.5 * y + 0.04166666 * y * y
in
...
```

## Practical Notes

- ▶ Theorem provers (inc. Alt-Ergo, CVC4, Z3) typically support such a typed logic
- ▶ may also support if-expressions and let bindings

Alternatively, Why3 manages to transform terms and formulas when needed (e.g. transformation of if-expressions and/or let-expressions into equivalent formulas)

## Syntax: Formulas

It is (typed) first-order logic, as in previous lecture, but also with addition of local binding:

```
p ::= t           (boolean term)
    | p ∧ p | p ∨ p | ¬p | p → p (connectives)
    | ∀v : τ, p | ∃v : τ, p      (quantification)
    | let v = t in p            (local binding)
```

## Typing

- Types:

$$\tau ::= \text{int} \mid \text{real} \mid \text{bool} \mid \text{unit}$$

- Typing judgment:

$$\Gamma \vdash t : \tau$$

where  $\Gamma$  maps identifiers to types:

- either  $v : \tau$  (logic variable, immutable)
- either  $x : \text{mut } \tau$  (program variable, mutable)

### Important

- a mutable variable is not a value (it is not a “reference” value)
- as such, there is no “reference on a reference”
- no *aliasing*

## Typing rules

Constants:

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash n : \text{int}} \quad \frac{}{\Gamma \vdash r : \text{real}}$$
$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \text{True} : \text{bool}} \quad \frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \text{False} : \text{bool}}$$

Variables:

$$\frac{v : \tau \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash v : \tau} \quad \frac{x : \text{mut } \tau \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash x : \tau}$$

Let binding:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \tau_1 \quad \{v : \tau_1\} \cdot \Gamma \vdash t_2 : \tau_2}{\Gamma \vdash \text{let } v = t_1 \text{ in } t_2 : \tau_2}$$

- All terms have a base type (not a “reference”)
- In practice: Why3, unlike OCaml, does not require to write `!x` for mutable variables

## Formal Semantics: Terms and Formulas

Program states are augmented with a stack of local (immutable) variables

- $\Sigma$ : maps program variables to values (a map)
- $\pi$ : maps logic variables to values (a stack)

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket \text{val} \rrbracket_{\Sigma, \pi} &= \text{val} && \text{(values)} \\ \llbracket x \rrbracket_{\Sigma, \pi} &= \Sigma(x) && \text{if } x : \text{mut } \tau \\ \llbracket v \rrbracket_{\Sigma, \pi} &= \pi(v) && \text{if } v : \tau \\ \llbracket t_1 \text{ op } t_2 \rrbracket_{\Sigma, \pi} &= \llbracket t_1 \rrbracket_{\Sigma, \pi} \llbracket \text{op} \rrbracket \llbracket t_2 \rrbracket_{\Sigma, \pi} \\ \llbracket \text{let } v = t_1 \text{ in } t_2 \rrbracket_{\Sigma, \pi} &= \llbracket t_2 \rrbracket_{\Sigma, (\{v = \llbracket t_1 \rrbracket_{\Sigma, \pi} \} \cdot \pi)} \end{aligned}$$

### Warning

Semantics is a partial function, it is not defined on ill-typed formulas

### Common notation for formulas

$\Sigma, \pi \models \varphi$  means  $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\Sigma, \pi} = \text{true}$

## Type Soundness Property

Our logic language satisfies the following standard property of purely functional language

### Theorem (Type soundness)

Every well-typed terms and well-typed formulas have a semantics

Proof: induction on the derivation tree of well-typing

## Expressions: generalities

- ▶ Former statements of IMP are now expressions of type `unit`  
**Expressions may have Side Effects**
- ▶ Statement `skip` is identified with `()`
- ▶ The sequence is replaced by a local binding
- ▶ From now on, the condition of the `if then else` and the `while do` in programs is a Boolean expression

## Syntax

$e ::= t$	(pure term)
$e \text{ op } e$	(binary operation)
$x \leftarrow e$	(assignment)
$\text{let } v = e \text{ in } e$	(local binding, immutable)
$\text{if } e \text{ then } e \text{ else } e$	(conditional)
$\text{while } e \text{ do } e$	(loop)

- ▶ sequence  $e_1; e_2$  : syntactic sugar for

`let v = e1 in e2`

when  $e_1$  has type `unit` and  $v$  not used in  $e_2$

## Toy Examples

```
z <- if x >= y then x else y
```

```
let v = r in (r <- v + 42; v)
```

```
while (x <- x - 1; x > 0)
  (* (--x > 0) in C *)
do ()
```

```
while (let v = x in x <- x - 1; v > 0)
  (* (x-- > 0) in C *)
do ()
```

## Typing Rules for Expressions

Assignment:

$$\frac{x : \text{mut } \tau \in \Gamma \quad \Gamma \vdash e : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash x \leftarrow e : \text{unit}}$$

Let binding:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau_1 \quad \{v : \tau_1\} \cdot \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau_2}{\Gamma \vdash \text{let } v = e_1 \text{ in } e_2 : \tau_2}$$

Conditional:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash c : \text{bool} \quad \Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash \text{if } c \text{ then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2 : \tau}$$

Loop:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash c : \text{bool} \quad \Gamma \vdash e : \text{unit}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{while } c \text{ do } e : \text{unit}}$$

## Operational Semantics

### Novelty w.r.t. IMP

Need to precise the order of evaluation: left to right  
(e.g.  $x \leftarrow 0; ((x \leftarrow 1); 2) + x = 2$  or  $3$  ?)

- ▶ one-step execution has the form

$$\Sigma, \pi, e \rightsquigarrow \Sigma', \pi', e'$$

$\pi$  is the *stack of local variables*

- ▶ values do not reduce

## Operational Semantics

- ▶ Assignment

$$\frac{\Sigma, \pi, e \rightsquigarrow \Sigma', \pi', e'}{\Sigma, \pi, x \leftarrow e \rightsquigarrow \Sigma', \pi', x \leftarrow e'}$$

$$\overline{\Sigma, \pi, x \leftarrow val \rightsquigarrow \Sigma[x \leftarrow val], \pi, ()}$$

- ▶ Let binding

$$\frac{\Sigma, \pi, e_1 \rightsquigarrow \Sigma', \pi', e'_1}{\Sigma, \pi, \text{let } v = e_1 \text{ in } e_2 \rightsquigarrow \Sigma', \pi', \text{let } v = e'_1 \text{ in } e_2}$$

$$\overline{\Sigma, \pi, \text{let } v = val \text{ in } e \rightsquigarrow \Sigma, \{v = val\} \cdot \pi, e}$$

## Operational Semantics, Continued

- ▶ Binary operations

$$\frac{\Sigma, \pi, e_1 \rightsquigarrow \Sigma', \pi', e'_1}{\Sigma, \pi, e_1 + e_2 \rightsquigarrow \Sigma', \pi', e'_1 + e_2}$$

$$\frac{\Sigma, \pi, e_2 \rightsquigarrow \Sigma', \pi', e'_2}{\Sigma, \pi, val_1 + e_2 \rightsquigarrow \Sigma', \pi', val_1 + e'_2}$$

$$\frac{val = val_1 + val_2}{\Sigma, \pi, val_1 + val_2 \rightsquigarrow \Sigma, \pi, val}$$

## Operational Semantics, Continued

- ▶ Conditional

$$\frac{\Sigma, \pi, c \rightsquigarrow \Sigma', \pi', c'}{\Sigma, \pi, \text{if } c \text{ then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2 \rightsquigarrow \Sigma', \pi', \text{if } c' \text{ then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2}$$

$$\overline{\Sigma, \pi, \text{if } True \text{ then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2 \rightsquigarrow \Sigma, \pi, e_1}$$

$$\overline{\Sigma, \pi, \text{if } False \text{ then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2 \rightsquigarrow \Sigma, \pi, e_2}$$

- ▶ Loop

$$\frac{}{\Sigma, \pi, \text{while } c \text{ do } e \rightsquigarrow \Sigma, \pi, \text{if } c \text{ then } (e; \text{while } c \text{ do } e) \text{ else } ()}$$

## Context Rules versus Let Binding

Remark: most of the context rules can be avoided

- ▶ An equivalent operational semantics can be defined using `let v = ... in ...` instead, e.g.:

$$\frac{v_1, v_2 \text{ fresh}}{\Sigma, \pi, e_1 + e_2 \rightsquigarrow \Sigma, \pi, \text{let } v_1 = e_1 \text{ in let } v_2 = e_2 \text{ in } v_1 + v_2}$$

- ▶ Thus, only the context rule for let is needed

## Type Soundness

### Theorem

*Every well-typed expression evaluate to a value or execute infinitely*

Classical proof:

- ▶ type is preserved by reduction
- ▶ execution of well-typed expressions that are not values can progress

## Blocking Semantics: General Ideas

- ▶ add *assertions* in expressions
- ▶ failed assertions = “*run-time errors*”

First step: modify expression syntax with

- ▶ new expression: assertion
- ▶ adding loop invariant in loops

```
e ::= assert p           (assertion)
    | while e invariant I do e (annotated loop)
```

## Toy Examples

```
z <- if x >= y then x else y ;
assert (z >= x /\ z >= y)
```

```
while (x <- x - 1; x > 0)
  (* (--x > 0) in C *)
  invariant x >= 0 do ();
assert (x = 0)
```

```
while (let v = x in x <- x - 1; v > 0)
  (* (x-- > 0) in C *)
  invariant x >= -1 do ();
assert (x = -1)
```

## Blocking Semantics: Modified Rules

$$\frac{[[P]]_{\Sigma, \pi} \text{ holds}}{\Sigma, \pi, \text{assert } P \rightsquigarrow \Sigma, \pi, ()}$$

$$\frac{[[I]]_{\Sigma, \pi} \text{ holds}}{\Sigma, \pi, \text{while } c \text{ invariant } I \text{ do } e \rightsquigarrow \Sigma, \pi, \text{if } c \text{ then } (e; \text{while } c \text{ invariant } I \text{ do } e) \text{ else } ()}$$

### Important remark

Execution blocks as soon as an invalid annotation is met

### Definition (Safety of execution)

Execution of an expression in a given state is *safe* if it does not block: either terminates on a value or runs infinitely.

## Hoare triples: result value in post-conditions

New addition in the logic language:

- ▶ keyword **result** in post-conditions
- ▶ denotes the value of the expression executed

Example:

```
{ true }  
if x >= y then x else y  
{ result >= x /\ result >= y }
```

## Hoare triples: Soundness

### Definition (validity of a triple)

A triple  $\{P\}e\{Q\}$  is *valid* if for any state  $\Sigma, \pi$  satisfying  $P$ ,  $e$  *executes safely* in  $\Sigma, \pi$ , and if it terminates, the final state satisfies  $Q$

### Difference with first lecture

Validity of a triple now implies safety of its execution, even if it does not terminate

## Weakest Preconditions Revisited

Goal:

- ▶ construct a new calculus  $WP(e, Q)$

Expected property: in any state satisfying  $WP(e, Q)$ ,

- ▶  $e$  is guaranteed to execute safely
- ▶ if it terminates,  $Q$  holds in the final state

### Difference with first lecture

This calculus is no more “liberal”, the computed precondition guarantees safety of execution, even if it does not terminate



## New Weakest Precondition Calculus

Pure expressions (i.e. without side-effects, a.k.a. “terms”)

$$WP(t, Q) = Q[result \leftarrow t]$$

‘let’ binding

$$WP(\text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2, Q) = \\ WP(e_1, (WP(e_2, Q)[x \leftarrow result]))$$

Reminder: sequence is a particular case of ‘let’

$$WP((e_1; e_2), Q) = WP(e_1, WP(e_2, Q))$$

## WP: Exercise

$$WP(\text{let } v = x \text{ in } (x \leftarrow x + 1; v), x > result) = ?$$

$$\begin{aligned} & WP(\text{let } v = x \text{ in } (x \leftarrow x + 1; v), x > result) \\ = & WP(x, (WP((x \leftarrow x + 1; v), x > result)[v \leftarrow result])) \\ = & WP(x, (WP(x \leftarrow x + 1, WP(v, x > result))[v \leftarrow result])) \\ = & WP(x, (WP(x \leftarrow x + 1, x > v))[v \leftarrow result])) \\ = & WP(x, (x + 1 > v)[v \leftarrow result])) \\ = & WP(x, (x + 1 > result)) \\ = & x + 1 > x \end{aligned}$$

## Weakest Preconditions, continued

► Assignment:

$$WP(x \leftarrow e, Q) = WP(e, Q[result \leftarrow (); x \leftarrow result])$$

► Alternative:

$$\begin{aligned} WP(x \leftarrow e, Q) &= WP(\text{let } v = e \text{ in } x \leftarrow v, Q) \\ WP(x \leftarrow t, Q) &= Q[result \leftarrow (); x \leftarrow t] \end{aligned}$$

## Weakest Preconditions, continued

► Conditional

$$WP(\text{if } e_1 \text{ then } e_2 \text{ else } e_3, Q) = \\ WP(e_1, \text{if } result \text{ then } WP(e_2, Q) \text{ else } WP(e_3, Q))$$

► Alternative with let: (exercise!)

## Weakest Preconditions, continued

### ► Assertion

$$\begin{aligned}\text{WP}(\text{assert } P, Q) &= P \wedge Q \\ &= P \wedge (P \rightarrow Q)\end{aligned}$$

(second version useful in practice)

### ► While loop

$$\begin{aligned}\text{WP}(\text{while } c \text{ invariant } I \text{ do } e, Q) &= \\ &I \wedge \\ &\forall \vec{v}, (I \rightarrow \text{WP}(c, \text{if } \textit{result} \text{ then } \text{WP}(e, I) \text{ else } Q))[w_i \leftarrow v_i]\end{aligned}$$

where  $w_1, \dots, w_k$  is the set of assigned variables in expressions  $c$  and  $e$  and  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  are fresh logic variables

## Soundness of WP

### Lemma (Preservation by Reduction)

If  $\Sigma, \pi \models \text{WP}(e, Q)$  and  $\Sigma, \pi, e \rightsquigarrow \Sigma', \pi', e'$  then  $\Sigma', \pi' \models \text{WP}(e', Q)$

Proof: predicate induction of  $\rightsquigarrow$ .

### Lemma (Progress)

If  $\Sigma, \pi \models \text{WP}(e, Q)$  and  $e$  is not a value then there exists  $\Sigma', \pi, e'$  such that  $\Sigma, \pi, e \rightsquigarrow \Sigma', \pi', e'$

Proof: structural induction of  $e$ .

### Corollary (Soundness)

If  $\Sigma, \pi \models \text{WP}(e, Q)$  then

- $e$  executes safely in  $\Sigma, \pi$ .
- if execution terminates,  $Q$  holds in the final state

## Outline

“Modern” Approach, Blocking Semantics

### Syntax extensions

- Labels
- Local Mutable Variables
- Functions and Functions Calls

Advanced Modeling of Programs

Programs on Arrays

## Labels: motivation

Ability to refer to past values of variables

```
{ true }
let v = r in (r <- v + 42; v)
{ r = r@old + 42 /\ result = r@old }
```

```
{ true }
let tmp = x in x <- y; y <- tmp
{ x = y@old /\ y = x@old }
```

SUM revisited:

```
{ y >= 0 }
L:
while y > 0 do
  invariant { x + y = x@L + y@L }
  x <- x + 1; y <- y - 1
{ x = x@old + y@old /\ y = 0 }
```

## Labels: Syntax and Typing

Add in syntax of *terms*:

$t ::= x@L$  (labeled variable access)

Add in syntax of *expressions*:

$e ::= L : e$  (labeled expressions)

Typing:

- ▶ only mutable variables can be accessed through a label
- ▶ labels must be declared before use

Implicitly declared labels:

- ▶ *Here*, available in every formula
- ▶ *Old*, available everywhere except pre-conditions

## Labels: Operational Semantics

Program state

- ▶ becomes a collection of maps indexed by labels
- ▶ value of variable  $x$  at label  $L$  is denoted  $\Sigma(x, L)$

New semantics of variables in terms:

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket x \rrbracket_{\Sigma, \pi} &= \Sigma(x, \text{Here}) \\ \llbracket x@L \rrbracket_{\Sigma, \pi} &= \Sigma(x, L) \end{aligned}$$

The operational semantics of expressions is modified as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma, \pi, x \leftarrow \text{val} &\rightsquigarrow \Sigma\{(x, \text{Here}) \leftarrow \text{val}\}, \pi, () \\ \Sigma, \pi, L : e &\rightsquigarrow \Sigma\{(x, L) \leftarrow \Sigma(x, \text{Here}) \mid x \text{ any variable}\}, \pi, e \end{aligned}$$

Syntactic sugar: term  $t@L$

- ▶ attach label  $L$  to any variable of  $t$  that does not have an explicit label yet
- ▶ example:  $(x + y@K + 2)@L + x$  is  $x@L + y@K + 2 + x@Here$

## New rules for WP

New rules for computing WP:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{WP}(x \leftarrow t, Q) &= Q[x@Here \leftarrow t@Here] \\ \text{WP}(L : e, Q) &= \text{WP}(e, Q)[x@L \leftarrow x@Here \mid x \text{ any variable}] \end{aligned}$$

Exercise:

$$\text{WP}(L : x \leftarrow x + 42, x@Here > x@L) = ?$$

## Example: computation of the GCD

(assuming notion of greatest common divisor exists in the logic)

Euclid's algorithm:

```
requires { x >= 0 /\ y >= 0 }
ensures { result = gcd(x@Old, y@Old) }
= L:
while y > 0 do
  invariant { ? }
  let r = mod x y in x <- y; y <- r
done;
x
```

See file [gcd\\_euclid\\_labels.mlw](#)

## Mutable Local Variables

We extend the syntax of expressions with

$$e ::= \text{let ref } id = e \text{ in } e$$

(note: I use “ref” instead of “mut” because of Why3)

Example: isqrt revisited

```
val ref x : int
val ref res : int

res <- 0;
let ref sum = 1 in
while sum <= x do
  res <- res + 1; sum <- sum + 2 * res + 1
done
```

## Operational Semantics

$$\Sigma, \pi, e \rightsquigarrow \Sigma', \pi', e'$$

$\pi$  no longer contains just immutable variables

$$\frac{\Sigma, \pi, e_1 \rightsquigarrow \Sigma', \pi', e'_1}{\Sigma, \pi, \text{let ref } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2 \rightsquigarrow \Sigma', \pi', \text{let ref } x = e'_1 \text{ in } e_2}$$
$$\frac{}{\Sigma, \pi, \text{let ref } x = v \text{ in } e \rightsquigarrow \Sigma, \pi \{ (x, \text{Here}) \leftarrow v \}, e}$$

$x$  local variable

$$\frac{}{\Sigma, \pi, x \leftarrow v \rightsquigarrow \Sigma, \pi \{ (x, \text{Here}) \leftarrow v \}, e}$$

And labels too

## Mutable Local Variables: WP rules

Rules are exactly the same as for global variables

$$\text{WP}(\text{let ref } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2, Q) = \text{WP}(e_1, \text{WP}(e_2, Q)[x \leftarrow \text{result}])$$
$$\text{WP}(x \leftarrow e, Q) = \text{WP}(e, Q[x \leftarrow \text{result}])$$
$$\text{WP}(L : e, Q) = \text{WP}(e, Q)[x@L \leftarrow x@Here \mid x \text{ any variable}]$$

## Functions

Program structure:

$$prog ::= decl^*$$
$$decl ::= vardecl \mid fundecl$$
$$vardecl ::= \text{val ref } id : \text{basetype}$$
$$fundecl ::= \text{let } id( (param,)^* ) : \text{basetype} \\ \text{contract } body \ e$$
$$param ::= id : \text{basetype}$$
$$contract ::= \text{requires } t \ \text{writes } (id,)^* \ \text{ensures } t$$

Function definition:

► Contract:

- pre-condition
- post-condition (label *Old* available)
- assigned variables: clause *writes*

► Body: expression

## Example: isqrt

```
let isqrt(x:int): int
  requires x >= 0
  ensures result >= 0 /\
    sqr(result) <= x < sqr(result + 1)
body
  let ref res = 0 in
  let ref sum = 1 in
  while sum <= x do
    res <- res + 1;
    sum <- sum + 2 * res + 1
  done;
  res
```

## Example using *Old* label

```
val ref res: int

let incr(x:int)
  requires true
  writes res
  ensures res = res@Old + x
body
  res <- res + x
```

## Typing

Definition  $d$  of function  $f$ :

```
let  $f(x_1 : \tau_1, \dots, x_n : \tau_n) : \tau$ 
  requires  $Pre$ 
  writes  $\vec{w}$ 
  ensures  $Post$ 
  body  $Body$ 
```

Well-formed definitions:

$$\frac{\Gamma' = \{x_i : \tau_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cdot \Gamma \quad \vec{w} \subseteq \Gamma \quad \Gamma' \vdash Pre, Post : formula \quad \Gamma' \vdash Body : \tau \quad \vec{w}_g \subseteq \vec{w} \text{ for each call } g \quad y \in \vec{w} \text{ for each assign } y}{\Gamma \vdash d : wf}$$

where  $\Gamma$  contains the global declarations

## Typing: function calls

```
let  $f(x_1 : \tau_1, \dots, x_n : \tau_n) : \tau$ 
  requires  $Pre$ 
  writes  $\vec{w}$ 
  ensures  $Post$ 
  body  $Body$ 
```

Well-typed function calls:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_i : \tau_i}{\Gamma \vdash f(t_1, \dots, t_n) : \tau}$$

Note: for simplicity the expressions  $t_i$  are assumed without side-effect (introduce extra let-expression if needed)

## Operational Semantics of a Function Call

let  $f(x_1 : \tau_1, \dots, x_n : \tau_n) : \tau$   
requires  $Pre$   
writes  $\vec{w}$   
ensures  $Post$   
body  $Body$

$$\frac{\pi = \{x_i \mapsto \llbracket t_i \rrbracket_{\Sigma, \pi}\} \quad \Sigma, \pi \models Pre}{\Sigma, \Pi, f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \rightsquigarrow \Sigma, (\pi, Post) \cdot \Pi, (Old : Body)}$$

A *call frame* is a pair  $(\pi, Post)$  of a local stack and a formula  
 $\Pi$  denotes a *stack of call frames*

### Blocking Semantics

Execution blocks at call if pre-condition does not hold

## Operational Semantics of returning from Function Call

We check that the *post-condition* holds at the end:

$$\frac{\Sigma, \pi \models Post[result \leftarrow v]}{\Sigma, (\pi, Post) \cdot \Pi, v \rightsquigarrow \Sigma, \Pi, v}$$

### Blocking Semantics

Execution blocks at return if post-condition does not hold

## WP Rule of Function Call

let  $f(x_1 : \tau_1, \dots, x_n : \tau_n) : \tau$   
requires  $Pre$   
writes  $\vec{w}$   
ensures  $Post$   
body  $Body$

$$WP(f(t_1, \dots, t_n), Q) = Pre[x_i \leftarrow t_i] \wedge \forall \vec{v}, (Post[x_i \leftarrow t_i, w_j \leftarrow v_j, w_j@Old \leftarrow w_j] \rightarrow Q[w_j \leftarrow v_j])$$

### Modular Proof Methodology

When calling function  $f$ , only the contract of  $f$  is visible, not its body

## Example: isqrt(42)

Exercise: prove that  $\{true\}isqrt(42)\{result = 6\}$  holds

```
val isqrt(x:int): int
  requires x >= 0
  writes (nothing)
  ensures result >= 0 /\
    sqr(result) <= x < sqr(result + 1)
```

### Abstraction of sub-programs

- ▶ Keyword **val** introduces a function with a contract but without body
- ▶ *writes* clause is mandatory in that case

## Example: Incrementation

```
val ref res: int

val incr(x:int):unit
  writes res
  ensures res = res@old + x
```

Exercise: Prove that  $\{res = 6\}incr(36)\{res = 42\}$  holds

## Soundness Theorem for a Complete Program

Assuming that for each function defined as

```
let  $f(x_1 : \tau_1, \dots, x_n : \tau_n) : \tau$ 
  requires  $Pre$ 
  writes  $\vec{w}$ 
  ensures  $Post$ 
  body  $Body$ 
```

we have

- ▶ variables assigned in  $Body$  belong to  $\vec{w}$ ,
  - ▶  $\models Pre \rightarrow WP(Body, Post)[w_i@Old \leftarrow w_i]$  holds,
- then for any formula  $Q$ , any expression  $e$ , any configuration  $(\Sigma, \pi)$ :

if  $\Sigma, \pi \models WP(e, Q)$  then execution of  $\Sigma, \pi, e$  is *safe*

Remark: (mutually) recursive functions are allowed

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## About Specification Languages

Specification languages:

- ▶ Algebraic Specifications: CASL, Larch
- ▶ Set theory: VDM, Z notation, Atelier B
- ▶ Higher-Order Logic: PVS, Isabelle/HOL, HOL4, Coq
- ▶ Object-Oriented: Eiffel, JML, OCL
- ▶ ...

Case of *Why3*, ACSL, Dafny: trade-off between

- ▶ expressiveness of specifications
- ▶ support by automated provers

## Why3 Logic Language

- ▶ (First-order) logic, built-in arithmetic (integers and reals)
- ▶ *Definitions* à la ML
  - ▶ logic (i.e. pure) *functions, predicates*
  - ▶ structured types, pattern-matching (next lecture)
- ▶ *type polymorphism* à la ML
- ▶ *higher-order logic as a built-in theory of functions*
- ▶ Axiomatizations
- ▶ Inductive predicates (next lecture)

### Important note

Logic functions and predicates are *always totally defined*

## Definition of new Logic Symbols

Logic functions defined as

```
function  $f(x_1 : \tau_1, \dots, x_n : \tau_n) : \tau = e$ 
```

Predicate defined as

```
predicate  $p(x_1 : \tau_1, \dots, x_n : \tau_n) = e$ 
```

where  $\tau_i, \tau$  are logic types (**not references**)

- ▶ *No recursion allowed* (yet)
- ▶ *No side effects*
- ▶ Defines *total* functions and predicates

## Logic Symbols: Examples

```
function sqr(x:int) = x * x

predicate divides(x:int,y:int) =
  exists z:int. y = x * z

predicate is_prime(x:int) =
  x >= 2 /\
  forall y z:int. y >= 0 /\ z >= 0 /\ x = y*z ->
    y=1 \/ z=1
```

## Definition of new logic types: Product Types

- ▶ Tuples types are built-in:

```
type pair = (int, int)
```

- ▶ Record types can be defined:

```
type point = { x:real; y:real }
```

Fields are **immutable**

- ▶ We allow let with pattern, e.g.

```
let (a,b) = ... in ...
let { x = a; y = b } = ... in ...
```

- ▶ Dot notation for records fields, e.g.

```
p.x + p.y
```



## Axiomatic Definitions

*Function* and *predicate* declarations of the form

```
function  $f(\tau, \dots, \tau_n) : \tau$   
predicate  $p(\tau, \dots, \tau_n)$ 
```

together with *axioms*

```
axiom  $id : formula$ 
```

specify that  $f$  (resp.  $p$ ) is **any symbol** satisfying the axioms

## Axiomatic Definitions

Example: division

```
function div(real, real): real  
axiom mul_div:  
  forall x, y.  $y \neq 0 \rightarrow \text{div}(x, y) * y = x$ 
```

Example: factorial

```
function fact(int): int  
axiom fact0:  
  fact(0) = 1  
axiom factn:  
  forall n: int.  $n \geq 1 \rightarrow \text{fact}(n) = n * \text{fact}(n-1)$ 
```

Exercise: axiomatize the GCD

## Axiomatic Definitions

- ▶ Functions/predicates are typically **underspecified**  
⇒ we can model **partial** functions in a logic of total functions

### Warning about soundness

Axioms may introduce *inconsistencies*

```
function div(real, real): real  
axiom mul_div: forall x, y.  $\text{div}(x, y) * y = x$   
implies  $1 = \text{div}(1, 0) * 0 = 0$ 
```

## Underspecified Logic Functions and Run-time Errors

Error “Division by zero” can be modeled by an abstract function

```
val div_real(x: real, y: real): real  
  requires  $y \neq 0.0$   
  ensures result =  $\text{div}(x, y)$ 
```

### Reminder

Execution blocks when an invalid annotation is met

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## Arrays as Mutable Variables of type “Map”

- ▶ Array variable: mutable variable of type `int ->  $\alpha$`
- ▶ In a program, the standard assignment operation

```
a[i] <- e
```

is interpreted as

```
a <- store(a,i,e)
```

## Higher-order logic as a built-in theory

- ▶ type of `maps` :  $\tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2$
- ▶ lambda-expressions: `fun x :  $\tau$  -> t`

Definition of selection function:

```
function select (f :  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$ ) (x :  $\alpha$ ) :  $\beta$  = f x
```

Definition of function update:

```
function store (f :  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$ ) (x :  $\alpha$ ) (v :  $\beta$ ) :  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$  =  
  fun (y :  $\alpha$ ) -> if x = y then v else f y
```

### SMT (first-order) theory of “functional arrays”

```
lemma select_store_eq: forall f: $\alpha$ -> $\beta$ , x: $\alpha$ , v: $\beta$ .  
  select(store(f,x,v),x) = v
```

```
lemma select_store_neq: forall f: $\alpha$ -> $\beta$ , x y: $\alpha$ , v: $\beta$ .  
  x <> y -> select(store(f,x,v),y) = select(f,y)
```

## Simple Example

```
val ref a: int -> int  
  
let test()  
  writes a  
  ensures select(a,0) = 13 (* a[0] = 13 *)  
body  
  a <- store(a,0,13); (* a[0] <- 13 *)  
  a <- store(a,1,42) (* a[1] <- 42 *)
```

Exercise: prove this program

## Simple Example

```
WP((a <- store(a, 0, 13);
    a <- store(a, 1, 42)), select(a, 0) = 13))
= WP(a <- store(a, 0, 13),
    WP(a <- store(a, 1, 42), select(a, 0) = 13))
= WP(a <- store(a, 0, 13); select(store(a, 1, 42), 0) = 13)
= select(store(store(a, 0, 13), 1, 42), 0) = 13
= select(store(a, 0, 13), 0) = 13
= 13 = 13
= true
```

Note how we use both lemmas *select\_store\_eq* and *select\_store\_neq*

## Example: Swap

Permute the contents of cells  $i$  and  $j$  in an array  $a$ :

```
val ref a: int -> int

let swap(i:int,j:int)
  writes a
  ensures select(a,i) = select(a@old,j) /\
         select(a,j) = select(a@old,i) /\
         forall k:int. k <> i /\ k <> j ->
         select(a,k) = select(a@old,k)
body
  let tmp = select(a,i) in (* tmp <- a[i] *)
  a <- store(a,i,select(a,j)); (* a[i] <- a[j] *)
  a <- store(a,j,tmp)         (* a[j] <- tmp *)
```

## Arrays as Variables of Type “length $\times$ map”

- ▶ Goal: model “out-of-bounds” run-time errors
- ▶ Array variable: mutable variable of type `array  $\alpha$`

```
type array 'a = { length : int; elts : int -> 'a}

val get (ref a:array 'a) (i:int) : 'a
  requires 0 <= i < a.length
  ensures result = select(a.elts,i)

val set (ref a:array 'a) (i:int) (v:'a) : unit
  requires 0 <= i < a.length
  writes a
  ensures a.length = a@old.length /\
         a.elts = store(a@old.elts,i,v)
```

- ▶ `a[i]` interpreted as a call to `get(a,i)`
- ▶ `a[i] <- v` interpreted as a call to `set(a,i,v)`

## Example: Swap again

```
val ref a: array int

let swap(i:int,j:int)
  requires 0 <= i < a.length /\ 0 <= j < a.length
  writes a
  ensures select(a.elts,i) = select(a@old.elts,j) /\
         select(a.elts,j) = select(a@old.elts,i) /\
         forall k:int. 0 <= k < a.length /\ k <> i /\ k <> j ->
         select(a.elts,k) = select(a@old.elts,k)
body
  let tmp = get(a,i) in (* tmp <- a[i] *)
  set(a,i,get(a,j));   (* a[i] <- a[j] *)
  set(a,j,tmp)         (* a[j] <- tmp *)
```

## Note about Arrays in Why3

use `array.Array`

syntax: `a.length, a[i], a[i]<-v`

Example: swap

```
val a: array int

let swap (i:int) (j:int)
  requires { 0 <= i < a.length /\ 0 <= j < a.length }
  writes { a }
  ensures { a[i] = old a[j] /\ a[j] = old a[i] }
  ensures { forall k:int.
    0 <= k < a.length /\ k <> i /\ k <> j ->
    a[k] = old a[k] }
=
  let tmp = a[i] in a[i] <- a[j]; a[j] <- tmp
```

## Exercises on Arrays

- ▶ Prove Swap by computing the WP
- ▶ Using WP, prove the program

```
let test()
  requires
    select(a,0) = 13 /\ select(a,1) = 42 /\
    select(a,2) = 64
  ensures
    select(a,0) = 64 /\ select(a,1) = 42 /\
    select(a,2) = 13
body
  swap(0,2)
```

## Exercise on Arrays: incrementation

- ▶ Specify, implement, and prove a program that increments by 1 all cells, between given indices  $i$  and  $j$ , of an array of reals

See file [array\\_incr.mlw](#)

## Exercise: Search Algorithms

```
var a: array real

let search(n:int, v:real): int
  requires 0 <= n
  ensures { ? }
= ?
```

1. Formalize postcondition: if  $v$  occurs in  $a$ , between 0 and  $n - 1$ , then result is an index where  $v$  occurs, otherwise result is set to  $-1$
2. Implement and prove *linear search*:  
`res <- -1;`  
for each  $i$  from 0 to  $n - 1$ : if  $a[i] = v$  then `res <- i;`  
return `res`

See file [lin\\_search.mlw](#)

## Home Work 4: Binary Search

```
low = 0; high = n - 1;
while low ≤ high:
  let m be the middle of low and high
  if a[m] = v then return m
  if a[m] < v then continue search between m and high
  if a[m] > v then continue search between low and m
```

See file [bin\\_search.mlw](#)

## Home Work 5: “for” loops

Syntax: `for  $i = e_1$  to  $e_2$  do  $e$`

Typing:

- ▶  $i$  visible only in  $e$ , and is immutable
- ▶  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  must be of type `int`,  $e$  must be of type `unit`

Operational semantics:

(assuming  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  are values  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ )

$$\frac{v_1 > v_2}{\Sigma, \pi, \text{for } i = v_1 \text{ to } v_2 \text{ do } e \rightsquigarrow \Sigma, \pi, ()}$$

$$\frac{v_1 \leq v_2}{\Sigma, \pi, \text{for } i = v_1 \text{ to } v_2 \text{ do } e \rightsquigarrow \Sigma, \pi, (\text{let } i = v_1 \text{ in } e); (\text{for } i = v_1 + 1 \text{ to } v_2 \text{ do } e)}$$

## Home Work: “for” loops

Propose a Hoare logic rule for the for loop:

$$\frac{\{?\}e\{?\}}{\{?\}\text{for } i = v_1 \text{ to } v_2 \text{ do } e\{?\}}$$

Propose a rule for computing the WP:

$$\text{WP}(\text{for } i = v_1 \text{ to } v_2 \text{ invariant } I \text{ do } e, Q) = ?$$

That's all for today, Merry Christmas !



- ▶ Next lecture on January 4th
- ▶ Several home work exercises to do
- ▶ Project text will be given on January 4th