

Design of Algorithms

Formative Coursework 2012-2013

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Abstract

This document details model solutions to the formative coursework for G54ALG in the academic year 2012–2013.

1 Verification Conditions

Applying the assignment axiom and conditional rule, the assertions are expanded as shown below.

$$\begin{array}{l} \{ \text{true} \} \\ \{ 0 \leq 0 \wedge 0 = 0 \bmod 9 \} \\ P, r := 0, 0; \\ \{ \text{Invariant: } 0 \leq P \wedge r = P \bmod 9 \} \\ \text{do true} \rightarrow \text{get.d } \{ 0 \leq d \leq 9 \wedge 0 \leq P \wedge r = P \bmod 9 \}; \\ \{ 0 \leq 10 \times P + d \wedge 0 \leq r + d < 2 \times 9 \wedge (r + d) \bmod 9 = (10 \times P + d) \bmod 9 \} \\ P, r := 10 \times P + d, r + d; \\ \{ 0 \leq P \wedge 0 \leq r < 2 \times 9 \wedge r \bmod 9 = P \bmod 9 \} \\ \text{if } r < 9 \rightarrow \{ r < 9 \wedge 0 \leq P \wedge 0 \leq r < 2 \times 9 \wedge r \bmod 9 = P \bmod 9 \} \\ \{ 0 \leq P \wedge r = P \bmod 9 \} \\ \text{skip} \\ \{ 0 \leq P \wedge r = P \bmod 9 \} \\ \square r \geq 9 \rightarrow \{ r \geq 9 \wedge 0 \leq P \wedge 0 \leq r < 2 \times 9 \wedge r \bmod 9 = P \bmod 9 \} \\ \{ 0 \leq P \wedge r - 9 = P \bmod 9 \} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
r := r - 9 \\
\{ 0 \leq P \wedge r = P \bmod 9 \} \\
\text{fi} \\
\{ 0 \leq P \wedge r = P \bmod 9 \} \\
\text{od} .
\end{array}$$

From this, we read off the verification condition for the initialisation:

$$[\text{true} \Rightarrow 0 \leq 0 \wedge 0 = 0 \bmod 9] .$$

and the verification conditions for the conditional correctness of the inner loop:

$$\begin{array}{l}
[0 \leq d \leq 9 \wedge 0 \leq P \wedge r = P \bmod 9 \\
\Rightarrow 0 \leq 10 \times P + d \wedge 0 \leq r + d < 2 \times 9 \wedge (r + d) \bmod 9 = (10 \times P + d) \bmod 9
\end{array}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{l}
[r < 9 \wedge 0 \leq P \wedge 0 \leq r < 2 \times 9 \wedge r \bmod 9 = P \bmod 9 \\
\Rightarrow 0 \leq P \wedge r = P \bmod 9
\end{array}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{l}
[r \geq 9 \wedge 0 \leq P \wedge 0 \leq r < 2 \times 9 \wedge r \bmod 9 = P \bmod 9 \\
\Rightarrow 0 \leq P \wedge r - 9 = P \bmod 9
\end{array}$$

2 Reversing an Array

The array elements are reversed from the outside inwards. The two indices j and k delimit that part of the array still to be reversed. N is the length of the array.

$$\begin{array}{l}
\{ 0 \leq N \wedge \langle \forall i : 0 \leq i < N : a[i] = a_0[i] \rangle \} \\
j, k := 0, N - 1 \\
\{ \text{Invariant:} \\
\quad 0 \leq j < N \wedge 0 \leq k < N \wedge j = N - 1 - k \\
\quad \wedge \langle \forall i : 0 \leq i < j \vee k \leq i < N : a[i] = a_0[N - 1 - i] \rangle \\
\quad \wedge \langle \forall i : j \leq i \leq k : a[i] = a_0[i] \rangle \\
\text{Bound function: } k - j \} \\
; \text{ do } j < k \rightarrow \text{ swap}(j, k) ; j, k := j + 1, k - 1 \\
\text{od} \\
\{ \langle \forall i : 0 \leq i < N : a[i] = a_0[N - 1 - i] \rangle \}
\end{array}$$

Note the use of two variables j and k . This preserves the symmetry between the top and bottom halves of the array and helps to avoid error in the calculation of the array indices.