PROPERTIES OF INFERENCE SYSTEMS FOR FLOYD-HOARE LOGIC WITH PARTIAL PREDICATES

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ABSTRACT

The main object of research in this paper is extension of Floyd-Hoare logic on partial pre- and postconditions. Composition-nominative approach is used to define this extension. According to this approach semantics of extended logic is represented by algebras of partial quasiary mappings. Operations of these algebras are called compositions. Semantics of Floyd-Hoare triples (assertions) is formalized with the help of a special monotone composition. Preimage predicate transformer composition – a counterpart of the weakest precondition – is also defined. Sound modifications of inference systems with added constraints are presented. Properties of extensional and intensional completeness of such inference systems are studied.

Keywords: Floyd-Hoare logic, precondition and postcondition, partial predicate, inference system, soundness and completeness, composition-nominative approach, predicate transformer.

1. INTRODUCTION

Floyd-Hoare logic [1,2] is one of the formal systems used for reasoning about program correctness. The basic notion of this logic is Floyd-Hoare triple (assertion). It consists of a precondition, a program, and a postcondition. The idea of such triples stems from the following requirement for programs: when the input meets the precondition the program should return the output that meets the postcondition (if the program terminates).

Reasoning about program properties in terms of Floyd-Hoare triples is convenient and natural. Predicates in classical Floyd-Hoare logic are assumed to be total. In general case predicates that are used to describe the needed properties of programs can be partial. In this case additional techniques are required to transform partial predicates to total. Such transformations complicate the use of Floyd-Hoare logic. This explains the demand for extension of Floyd-Hoare logic on partial predicates. For such extensions the results obtained for total predicates should remain sound.

Special Floyd-Hoare composition is used to represent semantics of assertions. This composition has three arguments: a predicate as a precondition, a program function, and a predicate as a postcondition. The output is a predicate. The classical definition of Floyd-Hoare triple validity leads to Floyd-Hoare composition that is not monotone [3]. Monotonicity is one of the key properties for reasoning about programs. In particular, monotonicity is important for acyclic (loop-free) programs used for approximations of programs with cycles. This explains the need of a new definition of Floyd-Hoare composition for the extension of Floyd-Hoare logic on partial predicates. It should not only be monotone, but also converge to the classical definition if predicates are total. Such definition was presented in [3].

One of the possible ways to apply Floyd-Hoare logic in program verification is to develop an inference system depending on the language under consideration. It was shown [4] that classical inference system for the simple imperative language WHILE [4] is neither sound nor complete if extended on partial predicates as it is. But soundness and completeness are the main properties of an inference system that justify its applicability. With an inference system that is unsound there are no guarantees that derived assertions are valid. In the case of incomplete inference system, there is no derivation for some of the valid assertions. In classical Floyd-Hoare logic with total predicates the abovementioned inference system for the language WHILE is sound and complete (in the extensional approach) [3]. Completeness in the extensional approach means that pre- and postconditions may be arbitrary predicates. In the intensional approach pre- and postconditions additionally should be presented by formulas of a given language. The problem with soundness and completeness arises when partial predicates are taken into consideration. In order to adopt inference system for the language WHILE in classical Floyd-Hoare logic to the extension of the logic on partial predicates maintaining soundness of the system, additional constraints on inference rules should be introduced that correspond to the new definition of validity of Floyd-Hoare assertions. When a sound inference system is introduced, its extensional completeness is the subject of further investigation. For this purpose a special composition is additionally defined. Inspired by the weakest predicate transformer, introduced by Dijkstra, this composition is called preimage predicate transformer composition.

To give the answer to the question, whether introduced systems with added constraints are intensionally complete, first only acyclic programs are considered. Acyclic programs are treated as approximations of the programs with cycles. For acyclic programs, predicates obtained with the preimage predicate transformer composition can be transformed to formulas of first-order quasiary predicate logic, thus the validity problem in extended Floyd-Hoare logic can be reduced first to the validity problem in first-order quasiary predicate logic, then to the validity problem in classical predicate logic [6].

In this paper we continue our research of Floyd-Hoare logics with partial predicates initiated in [3], concentrating on such properties of inference systems as their extensional and intensional completeness. The notions not defined here
are understood in the sense of [3].

2. SEMANTICS OF FLOYD-HOARE LOGIC WITH PARTIAL PREDICATES

We will use semantic-syntactic approach to define an extended logic. It means first that algebras of partial mapping will be specified to present the semantics of the extended Floyd-Hoare logic. Then the syntax or the language of the extended logic will result from the definition of semantics and will be simply the set of terms of introduced algebras. That is why for simplicity’s sake in this paper we will use the same notation for predicates and terms that represent predicates.

Composition-nominative approach [5] is used for defining semantics. All data are treated as nominative sets (nominative data in general case). Nominative sets are defined as partial mappings from a set of names (variables) to a set of basic values. Such mappings do not have fixed arity and are called quasiary. Nominative sets can be also treated as states of program variables. More complex case of hierarchical nominative data is not considered in this paper and is a subject of separate investigation. Compositionality means that complex functions and predicates are built from simpler ones using compositions. Compositions are the operations of respective algebras used in defining semantics. Also all mappings are partial (can be undefined on some data).

We start with definitions of the nominative sets, quasiary predicates and functions.

The arrows \(\mapsto\) and \(\to\) specify the sets of partial and total mappings respectively. Also for an arbitrary partial mapping \(f : D \mapsto \to \to D’\):

- \(f(d) \downarrow\) is used to denote that \(f\) is defined on data \(d \in D\);
- \(f(d) \downarrow\) is used to denote that \(f\) is defined on data \(d \in D\) with a value \(d’ \in D’\);
- \(f(d) \uparrow\) is used to denote that \(f\) is undefined on data \(d \in D\);
- \(f[S] = \{ f(d) | f(d) \downarrow, d \in S \}\) is used to denote the image of \(S \subseteq D\) under \(f\);
- \(f^{-1}[S’] = \{ d | f(d) \downarrow, f(d) \in S’ \}\) is used to denote the preimage of \(S’ \subseteq D’\) under \(f\).

Let \(V\) be a set of names (variables). Let \(A\) be a set of basic values. Then the class \(V A\) of nominative sets is defined as the class of all partial mappings from the set of names \(V\) to the set of basic values \(A\). Thus,

\[
V A = V P \to A
\]

Set-like notation for nominative sets is more convenient in some cases. We will use the following notation:

\[
v_i \mapsto a_i \quad i \in I\]

To describe a nominative set where variables \(v_i\) have values \(a_i\) respectively. Thus, \(v_i \mapsto a_i \in_n d\) denotes that \(d(v_i) \downarrow= a_i\) or in other words that value of the variable \(v_i\) in nominative set \(d\) is \(a_i\) (\(i \in I\)).

One of the main operations is **overriding** operation. It is a binary total operation that joins two nominative sets taking into account names of the variables, and is defined in the following way:

\[
d_1 \text{Ord} d_2 = [v \mapsto a \mid v \mapsto a \in_n d_2 \vee (v \mapsto a \in_n d_1 \land \\
\land \exists d’ (v \mapsto d’ \in_n d_2))]
\]

Informally this means that all name-value pairs from \(d_2\) and those pairs from \(d_1\) whose names are not defined in \(d_2\) are present in the resulting nominative set.

Let \(\text{Bool} = \{T,F\}\) be the set of Boolean values. Let \(Pr^{VA} = V A \to \text{Bool}\) be the set of all partial predicates over \(VA\). Such predicates are called **partial quasiary predicates**. They represent different conditions in programs.

Let \(FPr^{VA} = VA \to VA\) be the set of all partial functions from \(VA\) to \(VA\). Such functions are called **bi-quasiary functions**. They represent semantics of programs.

Algebras with three presented sets (partial quasiary predicates, partial ordinary quasiary functions, and partial bi-quasiary functions) as algebra carriers (sorts) can be used to define semantics of the logics. We distinguish three logics of different levels of abstraction:

- pure predicate logics based on algebras with one sort \(Pr^{VA}\) of quasiary predicates;
- quasiary predicate-function logics based on algebras with two sorts: \(Pr^{VA}\) of quasiary predicates and \(Fn^{VA}\) of quasiary functions;
- quasiary program logics based on algebras with three sorts: \(Pr^{VA}\) of quasiary predicates; \(Fn^{VA}\) of quasiary functions, and \(FPr^{VA}\) of bi-quasiary functions.

At the level of pure predicate logics only predicates are taken into consideration. Basic compositions represent basic logic connectives such as conjunction \(\land : Pr^{VA} \times Pr^{VA} \to Pr^{VA}\) and negation \(\neg : Pr^{VA} \to Pr^{VA}\). Also parametric quantification \(\exists x : Pr^{VA} \to Pr^{VA}\) and renaming \(R^{*}_p : Pr^{VA} \to Pr^{VA}\) compositions [5][6] should be included to the basic compositions (here \(\exists\) stands for \(v_1,\ldots,v_n\) and \(\tilde{x}\) for \(x_1,\ldots,x_n\)). Renomination is a specific new composition for quasiary predicates. Informally, while \(R^{*}_p(p)(d)\) we construct a new nominative set changing in \(d\) values of names from \(\tilde{v}\) with values of corresponding names from \(\tilde{x}\).
Another basic composition that has to be added is null-ary parametric composition of denotation \(\varepsilon : F n^{VA}\). Renomination composition can be given as a combination of superposition and denotation compositions, thus \(R_\varepsilon(p) = S^p_\varepsilon(p', x_1, \ldots, x_n)\). So, renomination compositions can be omitted.

When bi-quasiary functions are taken into consideration on the level of program logics there are many possible ways to define compositions that provide means to construct complex programs from simpler ones. We have chosen the following compositions of the language WHILE to include them as basic to the logics of program level: the parametric assignment composition \(AS^x : F n^{VA} \rightarrow F P r g^{VA}\), which corresponds to assignment operator :=; identity composition (function) \(id : F P r g^{VA}\), which corresponds to the \textit{skip} operator of WHILE language; composition of sequential execution \(\bullet : F P r g^{VA} \times F P r g^{VA} \rightarrow F P r g^{VA}\); conditional composition \(IF : F P r g^{VA} \rightarrow F P r g^{VA} \times F P r g^{VA} \rightarrow F P r g^{VA}\), which corresponds to the operator \(\text{if then else}\); cyclic composition \(WH : F P r g^{VA} \times F P r g^{VA} \rightarrow F P r g^{VA}\), which corresponds to the operator \textit{while do}.

We also need compositions that could provide possibility to construct predicates describing some properties of programs. The main composition of this kind is Floyd-Hoare composition \(FH : F P r g^{VA} \times F P r g^{VA} \times F P r g^{VA} \rightarrow F P r g^{VA}\). It takes precondition, postcondition, and program as inputs and yields a predicate that represents respective Floyd-Hoare assertion.

Now we will give formal definitions of the compositions of these algebras. In the following definitions \(d \in AV, f, g_1, \ldots, g_n \in F n^{VA}, p, q, r \in F P r g^{VA}, x = (x_1, \ldots, x_n) \in V^m, x \in V, pr_1, pr_2, pr \in F P r g^{VA}\).

\[
(p \lor q)(d) = \begin{cases} T, & \text{if } p(d) \downarrow = T \text{ or } q(d) \downarrow = T, \\ F, & \text{if } p(d) \downarrow = F \text{ and } q(d) \downarrow = F, \\ \text{undefined in other cases.} 
\end{cases} 
\]

\[
(\neg p)(d) = \begin{cases} T, & \text{if } p(d) \downarrow = F, \\ F, & \text{if } p(d) \downarrow = T, \\ \text{undefined in other cases.} 
\end{cases} 
\]

\[
(\exists x p)(d) = \begin{cases} T, & \text{if } p(dVx \rightarrow a) \downarrow = T \text{ for some } a \in A, \\ F, & \text{if } p(dVx \rightarrow a) \downarrow = F \text{ for each } a \in A, \\ \text{undefined in other cases.} 
\end{cases} 
\]

\[
S^p_\varepsilon(p, g_1, \ldots, g_n)(d) = p(dV[x_1 \mapsto g_1(d), \ldots, x_n \mapsto g_n(d)]) 
\]

\[
S^p_F(f, g_1, \ldots, g_n)(d) = f(dV[x_1 \mapsto g_1(d), \ldots, x_n \mapsto g_n(d)]) 
\]

\[
\varepsilon x(d) = d(x) 
\]
of a practical importance. That is why only the weakest precondition is taken into consideration. Usually “weakest” is specified in terms of logical consequence. But at the same time for partial predicates different definitions of logical consequence can be applied to define the notion of weakest precondition. Therefore we will not put much emphasis on these notions but specify the required composition as preimage predicate transformer composition (PC) that makes the assertions of the form \( \{PC(pr,q)\}pr\{q\} \) to be valid for every \( pr \in FPr_v^{VA} \) and every \( q \in P_v^{VA} \).

This binary composition

\[
PC : FPr_v^{VA} \times P_v^{VA} \rightarrow P_v^{VA}
\]

is simply referred to as preimage composition and is defined by the following formula (\( q \in P_v^{VA}, pr \in FPr_v^{VA} \) and \( d \in V.A \)):

\[
PC(pr,q)(d) = \begin{cases} T, & \text{if } pr(d) \downarrow \text{ and } q(pr(d)) \Downarrow T, \\ F, & \text{if } pr(d) \downarrow \text{ and } q(pr(d)) \Downarrow F, \\ \text{undefined in other cases.} & \end{cases}
\]

(15)

It is easy to see that that this composition is Glushkov prediction operation (sequential execution of a function and a predicate) \([3]\) and that it is also related (in the deterministic case) to the possibility/necessity operations of dynamic logic \([2]\). We called this composition (defined for partial predicates) as preimage predicate transformer composition in order to relate it to the weakest precondition predicate transformer.

The following equality can be easily proven using definitions of the preimage composition and Floyd-Hoare composition: \( FH(p, pr, q) = p \rightarrow PC(pr,q) \)

Next, we define a unary composition \( TR \) of predicate restriction on its truth domain (composition of deleting the falsity domain), defined by the formula

\[
TR(q)(d) = \begin{cases} T, & \text{if } q(d) \downarrow = T, \\ \text{undefined in other cases.} & \end{cases}
\]

(16)

At last, we specify a nowhere defined predicate \( \perp_p \) such that \( \perp_p(d) \) is undefined for any \( d \in V.A \).

Thus, we obtain the following extended algebras (for different \( A \)) used to present more expressive assertions:

\[
EA(V,A) =< P_v^{VA}, F_n^{VA}, FPr_v^{VA}; \forall, \exists, \neg, \gamma, S_F^v, S_F^\gamma, t \times A_S^v, id \bullet, IF, WH, FH, PC, TR, \perp_p >
\]

Logics constructed over such algebras are called extended logics.

Now we define a syntactical component of the constructed logics: their languages and inference systems.

3. INFESSION SYSTEMS FOR FLOYD-HOARE LOGIC WITH PARTIAL PREDICATES

The language of logic as well as interpretation mappings for formulas emerge naturally from presented algebras (a semantic component of logics).

For a given sets of function symbols \( Fs \), predicate symbols \( Ps \), and variables \( V \) the sets of formulas \( Fr(Ps,Fs,V) \) and terms \( Tr(Ps,Fs,V) \) are inductively defined as follows:

- if \( P \in Ps \) then \( P \in Fr(Ps,Fs,V) \);
- if \( \Phi, \Psi \in Fr(Ps,Fs,V) \) then \( \Phi \lor \Psi, \Phi \land \Psi, \Phi \rightarrow \Psi \), \( \neg \Phi \in Fr(Ps,Fs,V) \);
- if \( \Phi \in Fr(Ps,Fs,V) \) and \( \nu \in V \) then \( \exists \nu \Phi \in Fr(Ps,Fs,V) \);
- if \( P \in Ps, \ t_1, \ldots, t_n \in Tr(Ps,Fs,V) \) and \( v_1, \ldots, v_n \in V \) are distinct variables then \( S_F^v(F,t_1,\ldots,t_n) \in Tr(Ps,Fs,V) \);
- if \( F \in Fs \) then \( F \in Tr(Ps,Fs,V) \);
- if \( \nu \in V \) then \( \nu \in Tr(Ps,Fs,V) \);
- if \( F \in Fs, \ t_1, \ldots, t_n \in Tr(Ps,Fs,V) \) and \( v_1, \ldots, v_n \in V \) are distinct variables then \( S_F^v(F,t_1,\ldots,t_n) \in Tr(Ps,Fs,V) \).

Formulas and terms specify quasary predicates and ordinary functions respectively.

Assertions are expressions of the form \( \{p\}pr\{q\} \) (or \( FH(p,pr,q) \)) where \( p,q \in Fr(Ps,Fs,V) \), and \( pr \) is a program.

Let us recall that in this paper we use the same notation for predicates and formulas. This is explained by the fact that for extensional completeness any predicate can be considered as pre- or postcondition.

A formula interpretation mapping is defined by an algebra \( EA(V,A) \) and interpretations of function and predicate symbols in \( EA(V,A) \). We denote an arbitrary interpretation as \( J \) \([3]\).

We will use the following notations to give the definition of validity of the formula and of logical consequence:

- \( p^T = \{ d | p(d) \Downarrow \downarrow = T \} \) to denote the truth domain of predicate \( p \);
- \( p^F = \{ d | p(d) \Downarrow \downarrow = F \} \) to denote the falsity domain of predicate \( p \);
- \( p_L \) to denote the predicate that corresponds to the formula \( p \) under the interpretation \( J \). For simplicity’s sake we often omit \( J \) when it is clear from the context.

Validity of the formulas is considered as irrefutability. In other words, for every interpretation \( J \) the falsity domain of the respective predicate is empty:

\[ \models p \Leftrightarrow p_L^F = \emptyset \text{ for every } J \]

(17)

Having definition of validity we will define \( p \models q \) as \( \models p \rightarrow q \). Also we need two special logical consequence relations. They will be used in specifying constraints of the inference systems:

- \( p \models_T q \Leftrightarrow p_L^T \subseteq q_L^T \) for every interpretation \( J \);
- \( p \models_F q \Leftrightarrow p_L^F \subseteq q_L^F \) for every interpretation \( J \).
These definitions also give examples that there can be more than one adequate logical consequence relation.

More detailed explanations are given in [3].

In order to apply a logic for verification, one should define an inference system.

The inference system for the language WHILE that was presented for classical Floyd-Hoare logic with total predicates [4] is not sound for the case of partial predicates. Therefore additional constraints have to be added to achieve a sound inference system. It could be done in several ways and thus yielding different inference systems. Validity and completeness of such inference systems should be studied.

To denote that a formula \( p \) is derived in an inference system \( IS \) the notation \( \vdash_{IS} p \) is used. The subscript is omitted when it is clear from the context.

Inference system is said to be sound iff every derived formula is valid, formally \( \vdash_{IS} p \Rightarrow p \) for every formula \( p \).

Inference system is said to be complete iff every valid formula can be derived, formally \( p \Rightarrow \vdash_{IS} p \) for every formula \( p \).

Completeness can be treated in extensional or intensional approaches. In the extensional approach pre- and postconditions can be arbitrary predicates. In the intensional approach pre- and postconditions should be presented by formulas of a given language.

Classical inference system \( CI \) for the language WHILE [4] (presented here in semantic form) is the following:

\[
\begin{align*}
R_{AS} & \quad \{S_{p}^*(p,h)\} AS(h) \{p\} \\
R_{SKIP} & \quad \{p\} \ id \ \{p\} \\
R_{SEQ} & \quad (p\ F\ q) \ (q\ G\ r) \ \{p\} \ \{q\} \ \{r\} \\
R_{IF} & \quad (\ r\ p\ F\ (\neg\ r\ p\ G\ q) \ \{p\} \ F(r\ G) \ \{r\} \\
R_{WH} & \quad (r\ p\ F\ (p\ WH(r\ G) \ \{r\}) \\
R_{CONS}\ & \quad \{p\} \ F(p\ G) \ \{q\} \ \{p\} \ \{q\} \\
R_{AS} & \quad \{S_{p}^*(p,h)\} AS(h) \{p\} \\
R_{SKIP} & \quad \{p\} \ id \ \{p\} \\
R_{SEQ} & \quad (p\ F\ q) \ (q\ G\ r) \ \{p\} \ \{q\} \ \{r\} \\
R_{IF} & \quad (\ r\ p\ F\ (\neg\ r\ p\ G\ q) \ \{p\} \ F(r\ G) \ \{r\} \\
R_{WH} & \quad (r\ p\ F\ (p\ WH(r\ G) \ \{r\}) \\
R_{CONS}\ & \quad \{p\} \ F(p\ G) \ \{q\} \ \{p\} \ \{q\} \\
\end{align*}
\]

Such inference system is sound and extensionally complete for total predicates, but for partial predicates it is not sound. Rules \( R_{SEQ}, R_{WH}, \) and \( R_{CONS} \) do not guarantee a valid derivation from valid premises. One of the solutions of the problem is introduction of additional constraints for the mentioned rules [3].

Inference system \( AC \) with added constraints is presented below:

\[
\begin{align*}
R_{AS} & \quad \{S_{p}^*(p,h)\} AS(h) \{p\} \\
R_{SKIP} & \quad \{p\} \ id \ \{p\} \\
R_{SEQ} & \quad (p\ F\ q) \ (q\ G\ r) \ \{p\} \ \{q\} \ \{r\} , \ p \Rightarrow PC(f \bullet g, r) \\
R_{IF} & \quad (\ r\ p\ F\ (\neg\ r\ p\ G\ q) \ \{p\} \ F(r\ G) \ \{r\} \\
R_{WH} & \quad (r\ p\ F\ (p\ WH(r\ G) \ \{r\}) , \ p \Rightarrow PC(WH(r, f), \neg r \wedge p) \\
R_{CONS}\ & \quad \{p\} \ F(p\ G) \ \{q\} \ \{p\} \ \{q\} \Rightarrow F q \\
\end{align*}
\]

Inference system \( AC \) with added constraints is sound but constraints are rather complicated. Therefore simplifications of constraints are required. One of such simplifications stems from the following observation for properties of assertion validity for total predicates. In this case \( \vdash_{T} \{p\} F(q) \) implies \( p \Rightarrow_T PC(f, q) \) and \( p \Rightarrow_T PC(f, q) \) [5]. This observation permits to consider a special class of assertions satisfying only the property \( p \Rightarrow_T PC(f, q) \). Such assertions are called \( T\)-increasing assertions because the truth domain of \( p \) is included in the preimage of the truth domain of \( q \) under \( f \). Note that for partial predicates \( p \Rightarrow_T PC(f, q) \) implies \( \vdash_{T} \{p\} F(q) \).

The dual class of \( F\)-decreasing assertions consists of assertions having the property \( p \Rightarrow_T PC(f, q) \).

It is important to admit that all rules of the classical inference system \( CI \) except the rule \( R_{CONS} \) preserve the class of \( T \)-increasing assertions. Moreover, this property grants satisfaction of the constraints for rules \( R_{SEQ}', R_{WH}' \) of the inference system \( AC \). Thus, constraints can be omitted if we modify the rule \( R_{CONS} \). One of the inference systems that can be obtained in such manner is the following [3]:

\[
\begin{align*}
R_{AS} & \quad \{S_{p}^*(p,h)\} AS^*(h) \{p\} \\
R_{SKIP} & \quad \{p\} \ id \ \{p\} \\
R_{SEQ} & \quad (p\ F\ q) \ (q\ G\ r) \ \{p\} \ \{q\} \ \{r\} \\
R_{IF} & \quad (\ r\ p\ F\ (\neg\ r\ p\ G\ q) \ \{p\} \ F(r\ G) \ \{r\} \\
R_{WH} & \quad (r\ p\ F\ (p\ WH(r\ G) \ \{r\}) \\
R_{CONS}'' & \quad \{p\} \ F(p\ G) \ \{q\} \ \{p\} \ \{q\} \Rightarrow_T q \\
\end{align*}
\]

This inference system is called a \( T\)-increasing system and is denoted by \( TI \). There is another sound inference system based on the property \( p \Rightarrow_T PC(f, q) \) that is dual to the above mentioned system \( TI \).

Now we consider properties of the constructed inference systems concentrating on their completeness.

4. EXTENSIONAL AND INTENSIONAL COMPLETENESS OF INFERENCE SYSTEMS

Let us start with the inference system \( TI \) which has constraints only for rule \( R_{CONS}'' \).

First, we should admit that there are Floyd-Hoare assertions that are valid but do not belong to the class of \( T\)-increasing assertions. For example, consider a predicate \( p \) that is true on every data, and a predicate \( q \) that is undefined on every data. The triple \( \{p\} \ id \ \{q\} \) is valid, but \( p \not\Rightarrow_T PC(id, q) \). This example demonstrates that the inference system \( TI \) is incomplete for the general class of valid assertions. Still, for \( T\)-increasing assertions the following result will be proved.

**Theorem 4.1.** The inference system \( TI \) is extensionally complete for the class of \( T\)-increasing assertions.

To prove this theorem we will first prove \( T \vdash_{TI} \{PC(pr, q)\} pr \ \{q\} \) for every program \( pr \) and every predicate \( q \) by induction over the program structure.

**Base of the induction.**
For $\vdash_T \{PC(AS^*(h), q)\} AS^*(h) \{q\}$ we have to show that $PC(AS^*(h), q) = S_p^T(q,h)$. Thus the rule $R_{AS}$ will give the required result.

To prove this equality we use the definition of preimage composition

$$PC(AS^*(h), q)(d) = \begin{cases} T, & \text{if } q(AS^*(h)(d)) \vdash T, \\ F, & \text{if } q(AS^*(h)(d)) \vdash F, \\ \text{undefined in other cases.} \end{cases}$$

and by the definition of assignment composition we obtain

$$PC(AS^*(h), q)(d) = \begin{cases} T, & \text{if } q(dV[x \mapsto h(d)]) \vdash T, \\ F, & \text{if } q(dV[x \mapsto h(d)]) \vdash F, \\ \text{undefined in other cases.} \end{cases}$$

This gives $PC(AS^*(h), q)(d) = q(dV[x \mapsto h(d)])$. But also by the definition of superposition composition $S_p^T(q,h) = q(dV[x \mapsto h(d)])$. Hence, we obtain

$$PC(AS^*(h), q)(d) = S_p^T(q,h).$$

Therefore $\vdash_T \{PC(AS^*(h), q)\} AS^*(h) \{q\}$.

For $\vdash_T \{PC(id,q)\} id \{q\}$ the proof is obvious. If we look at the definition of preimage composition, it is not hard to check that $PC(id,q) = q$ for an arbitrary predicate $q$. Thus, $\vdash_T \{q\} id \{q\}$ follows by rule $R_{SKIP}$.

Inductive step.

Consider the case of sequential execution. We need to prove that $\vdash_T \{PC(pr_1,PC(pr_2,q))\} pr_1 \cdot pr_2 \{q\}$ given

\[ \vdash_T \{PC(pr_2,q)\} pr_2 \{q\} \]

and

\[ \vdash_T \{PC(pr_1,PC(pr_2,q))\} pr_1 \cdot PC(pr_2,q). \]

Applying the rule $R_{SEQ}$ to both premises we will obtain $\vdash_T \{PC(pr_1,PC(pr_2,q))\} pr_1 \cdot pr_2 \{q\}$.

If we show that

$$PC(pr_1,PC(pr_2,q))^T = PC(pr_1 \cdot pr_2,q)^T$$

then

$$PC(pr_1 \cdot pr_2,q) \vdash_T PC(pr_1,PC(pr_2,q)).$$

After that we can apply the rule $R_{CONS}''$ to $\vdash_T \{PC(pr_1,PC(pr_2,q))\} pr_1 \cdot pr_2 \{q\}$ and get the following assertion proved:

\[ \vdash_T \{PC(pr_1 \cdot pr_2,q)\} pr_1 \cdot pr_2 \{q\}. \]

If $d \in PC(pr_1,PC(pr_2,q))^T$ then $pr_1(d) \downarrow$ and $PC(pr_2,q)(pr_1(d)) \downarrow = T$.

Thus, $pr_2(pr_1(d)) \downarrow$ and $q(pr_2(pr_1(d))) \downarrow = T$. Using the definition of sequential execution composition this can be rewritten as $pr_1 \cdot pr_2(d) \downarrow$ and $q(pr_1 \cdot pr_2(d)) \downarrow \vdash T$. Hence $d \in PC(pr_1 \cdot pr_2,q)^T$.

If $d \in PC(pr_1 \cdot pr_2,q)^T$ then $pr_1 \cdot pr_2(d) \downarrow$ and $q(pr_1 \cdot pr_2(d)) \downarrow \vdash T$, or $pr_2(pr_1(d)) \downarrow$ and $q(pr_2(pr_1(d))) \downarrow = T$.

Hence, $PC(pr_2,q)(pr_1(d)) \downarrow = T$ and $pr_1(d) \downarrow$. Thus, $d \in PC(pr_1,PC(pr_2,q))^T$.

We have shown that

$$PC(pr_1,PC(pr_2,q))^T = PC(pr_1 \cdot pr_2,q)^T,$$

hence,

$$\vdash_T \{PC(pr_1 \cdot pr_2,q)\} pr_1 \cdot pr_2 \{q\}.$$
d′ = pr(d) we have p(pr(d)) ⊢ T and PC(pr, p)(d) ⊢ T. Hence, r ∩ p = T PC(pr, p).

We proved both needed logical consequences thus ⊢TI {PC(WH(r, pr), q)} WH(r, pr) {q}. We have considered all compositions, so, ⊢TI {PC(pr, q)} pr {q} for every pr and q.

Based on this property we will prove ⊢TI {pr} for any T-ascending assertion {p} pr {q}. To do this we consider predicate q″ = TR(q). It can be shown that q″ = q since q″ = q′′. Also p ⊢ PC(pr, q′′), because p ⊢ T PC(pr, q) and q′′ = q′. Previously it was proven that ⊢TI {PC(pr, q′′)} pr {q′′}. By R_CONS we obtain ⊢TI {p} pr {q}. Thus, the inference system TI is extensionally complete for the class of T-ascending assertions.

Now let us consider completeness of the inference system AC with added constraints.

**Theorem 4.2.** The inference system AC is extensionally complete for the general class of assertions.

To prove the theorem we will first prove by induction over the program structure the following property: ⊢AC {PC(pr, q)} pr {q} for every pr and q.

**Base of the induction.**

Rules R_AS and R_AS′ are identical as well as rules R_SKIP and R_SKIP′. Thus, the proof is similar to the proof for the previous inference system TI and is omitted here. So, ⊢AC {PC(AS(h), q)} AS(h) {q} and ⊢AC {PC(id, q)} id {q}.

**Inductive step.**

Rules R_JF and R_JF′ are identical. If q = q′, rules R_CONS and R_CONS′ are also identical. Thus the proof for the rule R_JF′ is similar to the proof for the rule R_JF for the previous inference system and is also omitted. This gives us

⊢AC {PC(IF(r, pr1, pr2), q)} IF(r, pr1, pr2) {q}

Rules R_SEQ and R_SEQ′ differ only in the added constraint, but with PC(pr1, PC(pr2, q))′ = PC(pr1, PC(pr2, q))′ that was proven earlier, we have needed property PC(pr1, PC(pr2, q)) ⊢ PC(pr1, pr2, q) and the constraint is satisfied given ⊢AC {PC(pr2, q)} pr2 {q} and ⊢AC {PC(pr1, PC(pr2, q))} pr1 pr2 {q′′} as premises. Rest of the proof for this rule is similar to the proof for rule R_SEQ and is omitted. Hence, ⊢AC {PC(pr1, pr2, q)} pr1 pr2 {q′′}.

Let us show that ⊢AC {PC(WH(r, pr), q)} WH(r, pr) {q} for every pr, q, r. Let p = PC(WH(r, pr), q). Consider the following predicate:

p′(d) = \{ T, if p(d) ⊢ T; F, otherwise. \}

We have that ⊢AC {PC(pr, p′)} pr {p′}. If we show that r ∩ p′ = T PC(pr, p′) then by R_CONS′ we will have ⊢AC {r ∩ p′} pr {p′}. After that by R_WH′, if p′ = PC(WH(r, pr), r ∩ p′), we get

⊢AC {p′} WH(r, pr) {r ∩ p′}.

If r ∩ p′ = F q and p = T p′ then by the rule R_CONS′ ⊢AC {p} WH(r, pr) {q} can be obtained, what was needed to be proved.

Proof of the p ⊢ F p′ is obvious by the definition of p′.

To prove p ⊢ T PC(pr, p′) we need to recall that p = PC(WH(r, pr), q) and p′ = pT. If (r ∩ p′)(d) ⊢ T then p′(d) ⊢ T gives q(WH(r, pr)(d)) ⊢ T. Together with r(d) ⊢ T the definition of cyclic composition gives that there exists such a state d′ = pr(d) that WH(r, pr)(d′) ⊢ WH(r, pr)(d) and q(WH(r, pr)(d′)) ⊢ T. By the definition of preimage condition composition we have that p′(d′) ⊢ p′(d) = PC(WH(r, pr), q)(d′) = T. By p′(d′) ⊢ T and d′ = pr(d) we have PC(pr, p′)(d) ⊢ T. Hence r ∩ p′ = T PC(pr, p′).

Let us prove ¬r ∩ p′ = F q. If q(d) ⊢ F then there can be three cases.

If r(d) ⊢ T then ¬r ∩ p′(d) ⊢ F. If r(d) ⊢ F then p(d) = PC(WH(r, pr), q)(d) ⊢ F. Thus p′(d) = p(d) ⊢ T and (¬r ∩ p′)(d) ⊢ F.

In all cases (¬r ∩ p′)(d) ⊢ F. Hence, ¬r ∩ p′ = F q.

Property p′ ⊢ PC(WH(r, pr), ¬r ∩ p′) is obvious. If p′(d) ⊢ T then p(d) ⊢ T by the definition of p′. Thus there exists such d′ that WH(r, pr)(d) ⊢ d′ and q(d′) = T, because p = PC(WH(r, pr), q). The definition of the cyclic composition gives us that r(d′) ⊢ F and WH(r, pr)(d′) ⊢ d′. Since WH(r, pr)(d′) ⊢ d′ and q(¬r ∩ p′)(d′) ⊢ T. Hence p′(d′) ⊢ T and (¬r ∩ p′)(d′) ⊢ T. And with WH(r, pr)(d′) ⊢ d′ we have PC(WH(r, pr), ¬r ∩ p′)(d′) ⊢ T. This proves pT ⊢ PC(WH(r, pr), ¬r ∩ p′)′ that grants the needed logical consequence.

We proved all needed logical consequences, thus ⊢AC {PC(WH(r, pr), q)} WH(r, pr) {q}.

We have considered all compositions, therefore ⊢AC {PC(pr, q)} pr {q} for every program pr and predicate q.

If we have some valid assertion ⊢ {p} pr {q}, we can find such q′ that p ⊢ F PC(pr, q′) and q′ = F q. Then ⊢AC {PC(pr, q′)} pr {q′}, and ⊢AC {p} pr {q} by R_CONS′. Consider q′ such that:

\[ q′(d) = \begin{cases} 
T, & \text{if } p \text{pr}(d) \not\models T; \\
F, & \text{if } q \text{pr}(d) \not\models F; \\
\text{undefined in other cases.} & 
\end{cases} \]

It is not hard to show that q′ ⊆ qF and pT ⊆ PC(pr, q′)T. Property ⊢ {p} pr {q} implies that such a predicate exists because the validity of assertion implies that there is no such d that FH(p, pr, q)(d) = F. By the definition of Floyd-Hoare composition, FH(p, pr, q)(d) = F gives p(d) ⊢ T and q(pr(d)) = F. This implies that there is no such d = pr(d) that q′(d) ⊢ T and q′(d′) = F. Thus, the extensional completeness of the inference system AC is proved.

Now let us consider intensional completeness of inference systems TI and AC. Here intensional completeness is understood in the following way: 1) predicates in assertions, inference rules, and constraints are represented as
formulas of the class $Fr(Ps,Fs,V)$; 2) constraints are represented as formulas derived in the inference system under consideration. For example, the constraints for the rule $R_{CONS}$ should be presented in the form $p \vdash_{TI} p'$ and $d' \vdash_{TI} q$.

For the inference system $TI$ there are two main difficulties in proving its intensional completeness: 1) formulas of the form $PC(pr,p)$ and $TR(p)$ should be reduced to formulas of the class $Fr(Ps,Fs,V)$; 2) we should have intensionally complete inference system to prove formulas of the form $p \vdash_{TI} p'$.

As to the first difficulty we should admit that the required reduction of $PC(pr,p)$ is possible for acyclic programs, but the reduction for programs with cycles requires more expressive languages with, say, the least fixed point operators. Reduction of $TR(p)$ is trivial because $TR(p) = p \lor \bot_p$. As to the second difficulty, the intensional completeness of the inference system in hand was proved in [10][11].

Therefore we consider here only intensional completeness of $TI$ for acyclic programs.

We have the following reductions:

$$PC(id,q) = q$$  \hspace{1cm} (18)

$$PC(AS\{h\},q) = S\{q,h\}$$  \hspace{1cm} (19)

$$PC(pr_1 \bullet pr_2,q) = PC(pr_1,PC(pr_2,q))$$  \hspace{1cm} (20)

$$PC(IF(r,pr_1,pr_2),q) = (r \rightarrow PC(pr_1,q)) \land (r \rightarrow PC(pr_2,q)) \land (r \rightarrow r)$$  \hspace{1cm} (21)

Correctness of the first three reductions was proved earlier. For the fourth formula we will prove that for every data $d$

$$PC(IF(r,pr_1,pr_2),q)(d) = (r \rightarrow PC(pr_1,q))(d) \land (r \rightarrow PC(pr_2,q))(d) \land (r \rightarrow r)(d)$$

Let us consider three cases, depending on the value of $r(d)$.

If $r(d) \downarrow T$ then $(r \rightarrow r)(d) \downarrow T$, with $(\neg r \rightarrow PC(pr_2,q))(d) \downarrow T$ and the following $(r \rightarrow PC(pr_1,q))(d) = PC(pr_1,q)(d)$. Thus the right side is equal to $PC(pr_1,q)(d)PC(pr_1,q)(d)$. Also $PC(IF(r,pr_1,pr_2),q)(d) = PC(pr_1,q)(d)$, since

$$IF(r,pr_1,pr_2)(d) = pr_1(d)$$

Hence both sides of the equality are equal to $PC(pr_1,q)(d)$.

In the case when $r(d) \downarrow F$ the proof is similar. If $r(d) \uparrow$ then $PC(IF(r,pr_1,pr_2),q)(d) \uparrow$ and $(r \rightarrow r)(d) \uparrow$. Expressions $(\neg r \rightarrow PC(pr_2,q))(d)$ and $(r \rightarrow PC(pr_1,q))(d)$ can be either true or undefined, depending on the values of $PC(pr_2,q)(d)$ and $PC(pr_1,q)(d)$ respectively. In either case by the right side of the equality will be undefined by the definition of the conjunction composition. But without the conjunct $(r \rightarrow r)$ in the case when $r(d) \uparrow$ the right side of the equality could be true, and not undefined as required.

Let us note that all proofs are correct for any interpretation $J$ considered here implicitly. This permits us to formulate the following result.

**Theorem 4.3.** The inference system $TI$ is intensionally complete for the class of $T$-increasing assertions with acyclic programs.

Intensional completeness of the inference system $AC$ requires additional investigations.

5. **RELATED WORK**

The first attempts to use logical approach to define specification of the programs and reason about their properties were made by Glushkov [6], Floyd [1], and Hoare [2]. Viktor Glushkov developed algorithmic algebras based on three-valued logics while Robert Floyd and Tony Hoare were oriented to axiomatic systems with total predicates. Simple idea to represent program specifications as triples that consist of precondition, program, and postcondition turned out to be very powerful and found many implementations.

With time it appeared that in more and more cases data or predicates can be undefined. It became evident that partiality of predicates and functions have to be taken into consideration and proper formalisms should be developed. This give rise to the special three-valued logics, where the fact that predicate is undefined is represented by special third value. Numerous variants of such logics were presented and studied in the works of Lukasiewicz, Kleene, Bochvar and others.

At the same time evolution of the programming languages, emergence of the new features as pointers, dynamic typing caused the need of the tools to define more complex specifications. This led to the development of the numerous extensions of Floyd-Hoare logic that have proved to be effective basis for program verification. The most known and studied extensions of Floyd-Hoare logic are Dynamic logic and Separation logic.

Dynamic logic [9] is an attempt to redefine Floyd-Hoare logic using modalities that permit usage of program texts and specifications alongside. Floyd-Hoare assertion $\{p\}pr[q]$ can be substituted with formula $p \rightarrow [pr]q$ where $[pr]q$ means that program $pr$ if it terminates has to satisfy formula $q$. It is not hard to check that if $pr$ is single-valued (deterministic) this formula is equal to the preimage composition presented in this paper and it is also possible to use specifications and program texts together.

Separation logic [12] was introduced as a response to broad usage of heap and pointers in programming. New special implications provide terms to specify different properties of the heap. But only heap function that mapped memory addresses to values assumed to be partial. In all other aspects only total predicates are considered. The main goal was to introduce means to deal with pointers but general case of partial data is omitted.

Logics describing various properties of programs form a basis for formal software system development [13].
6. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper extensions of Floyd-Hoare logic for partial predicates have been presented. Different inference systems have been defined. Problems of extensional and intensional completeness have been studied for the introduced systems. Special cases of program logics have been considered for which completeness problems can be reduced to the similar problem in first-order predicate logics.

Further directions of research include extensions of constructed logics for more powerful classes of programs with structured data and compositions of parallel execution.

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