## Abstract Hoare Logic

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## Monoidal Categories

- Sequential composition: categorical composition $f: X \rightarrow Y, g: Y \rightarrow Z$ then $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$

- Parallel composition: Monoidal operation $f: X \rightarrow Y, g: Z \rightarrow W$ then $f \otimes g:(X \otimes Z) \rightarrow(Y \otimes W)$



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- Examples
- Disjoint union

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$$

- Cartesian products

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| Flowcharts | Stream circuits |
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| Boolean Test $(\Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma \uplus \Sigma)$ | Sum $(\Sigma \times \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma)$ |
| Joining of Wires $(\Sigma \uplus \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma)$ | Splitting of Wires $(\Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma \times \Sigma)$ |
| Assignment $(\Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma)$ | Scalar Multiplication $(\Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma)$ |
|  | Register $(\Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma)$ |

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- Others:

Strongest post condition, loop invariant, ...

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By monotonicity of $f, \mu_{f, P}$ is also the least fixed point.

## Verification Category: Intuition

| Usual Hoare Logic | Verification Categories |
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| Pre/Post-conditions | Points of posets |
| Logical implication | Partial order |
| Rule of consequence | Monotonicity |
| Strongest loop invariant | Least pre-fixed point |

## Verification Category and TMC

## Lemma (A)

Any verification category $\mathcal{V}$ gives rise to a traced monoidal category with trace defined as

$$
\operatorname{Tr}(f)(P): \equiv R
$$

for any morphism $f:(X \times Z) \rightarrow(Y \times Z)$, where $R$ is the unique element of $Y$ such that $f\left\langle P, \mu_{f, P}\right\rangle=\left\langle R, \mu_{f, P}\right\rangle$.


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We define abstract Hoare triples as

$$
\{P\} f\{Q\}: \equiv H(f)(P) \sqsubseteq_{H(Y)} Q
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The embedding $H$ is basically the power-set construction, so that

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H(X \uplus Y): \equiv H(X) \times H(Y)
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On morphisms, we define:

- Forward reasoning

$$
H(f)(P): \equiv\{y \in Y: \exists x \in P(f(x)=y)\}
$$

- Backward reasoning

$$
H(f)(Q): \equiv\{x \in X: f(x) \in Q\}
$$

And if sets are described by formulas:

- $H(f)(\Phi): \equiv \operatorname{SPC}(f, \Phi)$
- $H(f)(\Phi): \equiv \mathrm{WPC}(f, \Phi)$


## While Loop Rule

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## Conclusions and Future Work

- Other instantiations (in flowcharts):
- Pointer programs
- Total correctness
- Other instantiations (in stream circuits):
- Boundedness
- Relative stability
- Related work
- Dijkstra's predicate transformer
- Kozen's KAT (Kleene Algebras with Test)
- Abramsky's specification categories
- Bloom and Esik on iteration theory
- Gurevich's existential fixed-point logic

