

Symbolic Computation and Theorem Proving in Program Analysis

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Outline

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Part 1: Program Analysis and Verification

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Examples of Verification by WP

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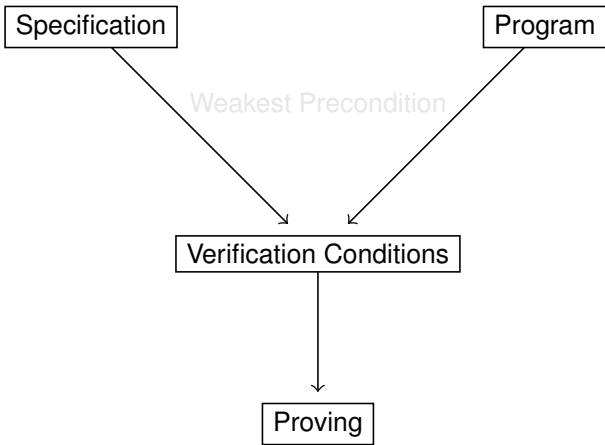
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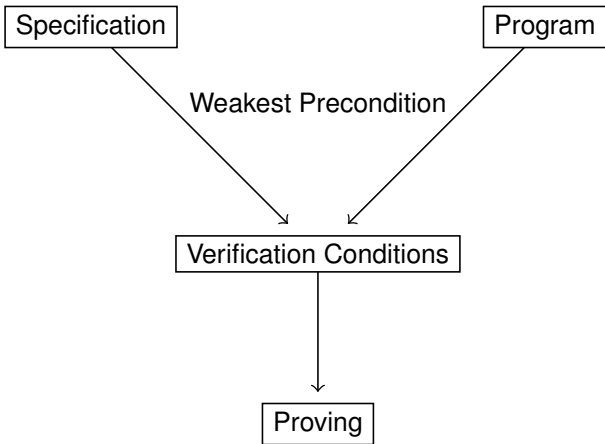
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Weakest Precondition Strategy (revised)

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Verification Conditions:

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End of Session 1

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