

A Purely Logical Approach to Imperative Program Verification

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Approach

Our approach:

Forward symbolic execution

Functional semantics

Contributions: purely logical approach

- ▶ Program syntax, semantics, partial correctness, termination - formalized in predicate logic
- ▶ Suitable for all imperative languages
- ▶ Verification conditions (including termination condition):
 - { ensure existence and the uniqueness of the program function
 - { are first order logic formulae
- ▶ No necessity for a meta-theory about the program execution, semantics, etc.



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Main Ingredients

[Application specific] **Object theory:**

First order logic with equality

Expresses the properties of the objects manipulated by the program

[Universal] **Meta-theory:**

Meta-terms

- ▶ the program itself
- ▶ terms and formulae from the object theory

Imperative program statements

- ▶ assignments (including recursive call)
- ▶ conditionals
- ▶ While loops
- ▶ abrupt statements (Return)

Predicates and functions for reasoning about programs

- ▶ Syntax: Π
 - ▶ usage of initialized variables
 - ▶ every branch has a `Return` statement
- ▶ Semantics: $\Sigma \rightsquigarrow$ implicit definition of the program function
- ▶ Partial correctness: Γ
 - ▶ safety verification conditions
 - ▶ functional verification conditions
- ▶ Termination: $\Theta \rightsquigarrow$ termination conditions



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Syntax: ✓



Syntax

Definition

1. $\Pi[P] \Leftrightarrow \Pi[\{\bar{\alpha}\}, P]$
2. $\Pi[V, \langle \text{Return}[t] \rangle \smile P] \Leftrightarrow \text{Vars}[t] \subseteq V$
3. $\Pi[V, \langle \text{break} \rangle \smile P] \Leftrightarrow \text{True}$
4. $\Pi[V, \langle v: = t \rangle \smile P] \Leftrightarrow \bigwedge \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Vars}[t] \subseteq V \\ \Pi[V \cup \{v\}, P] \end{array} \right.$
5. $\Pi[V, \langle \text{If}[\varphi, P_T, P_F] \rangle \smile P] \Leftrightarrow \bigwedge \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Vars}[\varphi] \subseteq V \\ \Pi[V, P_T \smile P] \\ \Pi[V, P_F \smile P] \end{array} \right.$
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7. $\Pi[V, P] = \mathbb{F}$



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$$\Rightarrow (LG[a, b] = \frac{u' + v'}{2})$$



Linear Search Algorithm, v.1

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Specification["LinSearch", LS[↓ A, ↓ n, ↓ e],
  Pre → n ≥ 1,
  Post → ∃1 ≤ k ≤ n A[k] = e ⇒ A[β] = e ∧ ∃1 ≤ k ≤ n A[k] ≠ e ⇒ β = 0
Program["LinSearch", LS[↓ A, ↓ n, ↓ e],
  Module[{i, k},
    i = 1;
    While[i ≤ n,
      (i ≤ n + 1) ⇒ ∃1 ≤ k < i A[k] ≠ e,
      If[e = A[i],
        Return[i]];
      i = i + 1];
    Return[0]],
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Semantics:

$$n \geq 1 \wedge 1 > n \Rightarrow LS[A, n, e] = 0$$

$$n \geq 1 \wedge i \leq n \wedge (i \leq n + 1 \Rightarrow \exists_{1 \leq k < i} A[k] \neq e) \wedge e = A[i] \Rightarrow (LS[A, n, e] = i)$$

$$n \geq 1 \wedge i \leq n \wedge (i \leq n + 1 \Rightarrow \exists_{1 \leq k < i} A[k] \neq e) \wedge e \neq A[i] \Rightarrow True$$

$$n \geq 1 \wedge i' > n \wedge (i' \leq n + 1 \Rightarrow \exists_{1 \leq k < i'} A[k] \neq e) \Rightarrow (LS[A, n, e] = 0)$$



Linear Search Algorithm, v. 2

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Program["LinSearch", $LS[\downarrow A, \downarrow n, \downarrow e]$,

Module[{ i, k },

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$x = a; y = b; u = b; v = a;$

While[$x \neq y$,

$(GCD[x, y] = GCD[a, b]) \wedge x > 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge (x * u + y * v = 2 * a * b)$,

If[$x > y$,

$x = x - y; v = v + u$,

$y = y - x; u = u + v$];

Return[$(u + v)/2$]],

Specification \rightarrow Specification["GCD - LCM"]]

Termination:

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$(a > 0 \wedge b > 0 \wedge x = y) \Rightarrow \pi[x, y, u, v]$



Example: Program computing simultaneously the GCD and the LCM of two positive integers

```
Specification["GCD - LCM", LG[↓ a, ↓ b],  
  Pre → a > 0 ∧ b > 0,  
  Post → β = LCM[a, b]]  
Program["GCD - LCM", LG[↓ a, ↓ b],  
  x = a; y = b; u = b; v = a;  
  While[x ≠ y,  
    (GCD[x, y] = GCD[a, b]) ∧ x > 0 ∧ y > 0 ∧ (x * u + y * v = 2 * a * b),  
    If[x > y,  
      x = x - y; v = v + u,  
      y = y - x; u = u + v];  
  Return[(u + v)/2]],  
Specification → Specification["GCD - LCM"]]
```

Termination:

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$$(a > 0 \wedge b > 0 \wedge x = y) \Rightarrow \pi[x, y, u, v]$$

$$(a > 0 \wedge b > 0 \wedge x > y \wedge (GCD[x, y] = GCD[a, b]) \wedge x > 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge (x * u + y * v = 2 * a * b))$$

$$\wedge \pi[x - y, y, u, v + u] \Rightarrow \pi[x, y, u, v]$$



Example: Program computing simultaneously the GCD and the LCM of two positive integers

```
Specification["GCD - LCM", LG[↓ a, ↓ b],  
  Pre → a > 0 ∧ b > 0,  
  Post → β = LCM[a, b]]  
Program["GCD - LCM", LG[↓ a, ↓ b],  
  x = a; y = b; u = b; v = a;  
  While[x ≠ y,  
    (GCD[x, y] = GCD[a, b]) ∧ x > 0 ∧ y > 0 ∧ (x * u + y * v = 2 * a * b),  
    If[x > y,  
      x = x - y; v = v + u,  
      y = y - x; u = u + v];  
  Return[(u + v)/2]],  
Specification → Specification["GCD - LCM"]]
```

Termination:

—

$$(a > 0 \wedge b > 0 \wedge x = y) \Rightarrow \pi[x, y, u, v]$$

$$(a > 0 \wedge b > 0 \wedge x > y \wedge (GCD[x, y] = GCD[a, b]) \wedge x > 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge (x * u + y * v = 2 * a * b) \\ \wedge \pi[x - y, y, u, v + u]) \Rightarrow \pi[x, y, u, v]$$

$$(a > 0 \wedge b > 0 \wedge x < y \wedge (GCD[x, y] = GCD[a, b]) \wedge x > 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge (x * u + y * v = 2 * a * b) \\ \wedge \pi[x, y - x, u + v, v]) \Rightarrow \pi[x, y, u, v]$$



Example: Program computing simultaneously the GCD and the LCM of two positive integers

```
Specification["GCD - LCM", LG[↓ a, ↓ b],
  Pre → a > 0 ∧ b > 0,
  Post → β = LCM[a, b]]
Program["GCD - LCM", LG[↓ a, ↓ b],
  x = a; y = b; u = b; v = a;
  While[x ≠ y,
    (GCD[x, y] = GCD[a, b]) ∧ x > 0 ∧ y > 0 ∧ (x * u + y * v = 2 * a * b),
    If[x > y,
      x = x - y; v = v + u,
      y = y - x; u = u + v]];
  Return[(u + v)/2]];
Specification → Specification["GCD - LCM"]]
```

Termination:

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$$(a > 0 \wedge b > 0 \wedge x = y) \Rightarrow \pi[x, y, u, v]$$

$$(a > 0 \wedge b > 0 \wedge x > y \wedge (GCD[x, y] = GCD[a, b]) \wedge x > 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge (x * u + y * v = 2 * a * b) \\ \wedge \pi[x - y, y, u, v + u]) \Rightarrow \pi[x, y, u, v]$$

$$(a > 0 \wedge b > 0 \wedge x < y \wedge (GCD[x, y] = GCD[a, b]) \wedge x > 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge (x * u + y * v = 2 * a * b) \\ \wedge \pi[x, y - x, u + v, v]) \Rightarrow \pi[x, y, u, v]$$

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Example: Program computing simultaneously the GCD and the LCM of two positive integers

```
Specification["GCD - LCM", LG[↓ a, ↓ b],
  Pre → a > 0 ∧ b > 0,
  Post → β = LCM(a, b)]
Program["GCD - LCM", LG[↓ a, ↓ b],
  x = a; y = b; u = b; v = a;
  While[x ≠ y,
    (GCD[x, y] = GCD[a, b]) ∧ x > 0 ∧ y > 0 ∧ (x * u + y * v = 2 * a * b),
    If[x > y,
      x = x - y; v = v + u,
      y = y - x; u = u + v]];
  Return[(u + v)/2],
Specification → Specification["GCD - LCM"]]
```

Overall termination condition:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (a > 0 \wedge b > 0 \wedge x = y) \Rightarrow \pi[x, y, u, v] \\ (a > 0 \wedge b > 0 \wedge x > y \wedge (GCD[x, y] = GCD[a, b]) \wedge x > 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge (x * u + y * v = 2 * a * b) \\ \quad \wedge \pi[x - y, y, u, v + u]) \Rightarrow \pi[x, y, u, v] \\ (a > 0 \wedge b > 0 \wedge x < y \wedge (GCD[x, y] = GCD[a, b]) \wedge x > 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge (x * u + y * v = 2 * a * b) \\ \quad \wedge \pi[x, y - x, u + v, v]) \Rightarrow \pi[x, y, u, v] \end{array} \right. \\ & \Rightarrow \pi[a, b, b, a] \end{aligned}$$



Linear Search Algorithm, v.1

Specification["LinSearch", $LS[\downarrow A, \downarrow n, \downarrow e]$,
Pre $\rightarrow n \geq 1$,
Post $\rightarrow \exists_{1 \leq k \leq n} A[k] = e \Rightarrow A[\beta] = e \wedge \forall_{1 \leq k \leq n} A[k] \neq e \Rightarrow \beta = 0$
Program["LinSearch", $LS[\downarrow A, \downarrow n, \downarrow e]$,
Module[{ i, k },
 $i = 1$;
While[$i \leq n$,
($i \leq n + 1$) $\Rightarrow \forall_{1 \leq k < i} A[k] \neq e$,
If[$e = A[i]$,
Return[i];
 $i = i + 1$];
Return[0]],
Specification \rightarrow Specification["LinSearch"]]

Overall termination condition:

$$\left(\left\langle \wedge \left\{ \begin{array}{l} n \geq 1 \wedge i > n \Rightarrow \pi[i] \\ n \geq 1 \wedge i \leq n \wedge (i \leq n + 1) \Rightarrow \forall_{1 \leq k < i} A[k] \neq e \wedge (e = A[i]) \Rightarrow \pi[i] \\ n \geq 1 \wedge i \leq n \wedge (i \leq n + 1) \Rightarrow \forall_{1 \leq k < i} A[k] \neq e \wedge (e \neq A[i]) \wedge \pi[i + 1] \Rightarrow \pi[i] \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \pi[1] \right\rangle \right)$$



Linear Search Algorithm, v. 2

Specification["LinSearch", $LS[\downarrow A, \downarrow n, \downarrow e]$,
Pre $\rightarrow n \geq 1$,
Post $\rightarrow \exists_{1 \leq k \leq n} A[k] = e \Rightarrow A[\beta] = e \wedge \forall_{1 \leq k \leq n} A[k] \neq e \Rightarrow \beta = 0$

Program["LinSearch", $LS[\downarrow A, \downarrow n, \downarrow e]$,
Module[{ i, k },
 $i = 1$;
While[$i \leq n$,
 ($i \leq n + 1$) $\Rightarrow \forall_{1 \leq k < i} A[k] \neq e$,
 If[$e = A[i]$,
 break];
 $i = i + 1$];
Return[i]],
Specification \rightarrow Specification["LinSearch"]]

Overall termination condition:

$$\left(\left\langle \wedge \left\{ \begin{array}{l} n \geq 1 \wedge i > n \Rightarrow \pi[i] \\ n \geq 1 \wedge i \leq n \wedge (i \leq n + 1) \Rightarrow \forall_{1 \leq k < i} A[k] \neq e \wedge (e = A[i]) \Rightarrow \pi[i] \\ n \geq 1 \wedge i \leq n \wedge (i \leq n + 1) \Rightarrow \forall_{1 \leq k < i} A[k] \neq e \wedge (e \neq A[i]) \wedge \pi[i + 1] \Rightarrow \pi[i] \end{array} \right. \right\rangle \Rightarrow \pi[1] \right)$$



Termination

Definition

1. $\Theta[P] = \Theta[\{\bar{x} \rightarrow \bar{x}_0\}, I_f[\bar{x}], P]\{\bar{x}_0 \rightarrow \bar{x}\}$
2. $\Theta[\sigma, \Phi, \langle \text{Return}[\bar{\delta}] \rangle \smile P] = \langle \rangle$
3. $\Theta[\sigma, \Phi, \langle \text{break} \rangle \smile P] = \langle \rangle$
4. $\Theta[\sigma, \Phi, \langle v := \gamma \rangle \smile P] = \Theta[\sigma\{v \rightarrow \gamma\sigma\}, \Phi, P]$
5. $\Theta[\sigma, \Phi, \langle \text{If}[\varphi, P_T, P_F] \rangle \smile P] = \Theta[\sigma, \Phi \wedge \varphi\sigma, P_T \smile P] \wedge \Theta[\sigma, \Phi \wedge \neg\varphi\sigma, P_F \smile P]$
6. $\Theta[\sigma, \Phi, \langle \rangle] = \langle \rangle$
7. $\Theta[\sigma, \Phi, \langle \text{While}[\varphi, \iota, B] \smile P] =$
 $\smile \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Theta[\sigma, \Phi \wedge \neg\varphi\sigma, P] \\ \left\langle \wedge \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\Phi \wedge \neg\varphi\sigma_0) \Rightarrow \pi[\bar{\delta}\sigma_0]\{\bar{\delta}_0 \rightarrow \bar{\delta}\} \\ \Theta'[\sigma_0, \Phi \wedge \varphi\sigma_0 \wedge \iota\sigma_0, B, \pi] \Rightarrow \pi[\bar{\delta}\sigma_0]\{\bar{\delta}_0 \rightarrow \bar{\delta}\} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \pi[\bar{\delta}\sigma_1] \right\rangle \\ \Theta[\sigma_0, \Phi \wedge \varphi\sigma_0 \wedge \iota\sigma_0, B]\{\bar{\delta}_0 \rightarrow \bar{\delta}\} \\ \Theta[\sigma', \Phi \wedge \iota\sigma' \wedge \neg\varphi\sigma', P] \end{array} \right.$



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Definition

1. $\Theta'[\sigma, \Phi, \langle \rangle, \pi] = (\Phi \wedge \pi[\bar{\delta}\sigma])$
2. $\Theta'[\sigma, \Phi, \langle \text{Return}[\bar{\delta}] \rangle \smile P, \pi] = \Phi$
3. $\Theta'[\sigma, \Phi, \langle \text{break} \rangle \smile P, \pi] = \Phi$
4. $\Theta'[\sigma, \Phi, \langle \text{If}[\varphi, P_T, P_F, \pi] \rangle \smile P] = \vee \begin{cases} \Theta'[\sigma, \Phi, P_T \smile P, \pi] \\ \Theta'[\sigma, \Phi, P_F \smile P, \pi] \end{cases}$
5. $\Theta'[\sigma, \Phi, \langle \text{While}[\varphi, \iota, B, \pi] \rangle \smile P] = \Theta''[\sigma, \Phi, \langle \text{While}[\varphi, \iota, B] \rangle \smile P, \pi]$

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1. $\Theta''[\sigma, \Phi, \langle \rangle, \pi] = (\Phi \wedge \pi[\sigma\delta, \pi])$
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3. $\Theta''[\sigma, \Phi, \langle \text{Return}[\bar{\delta}] \rangle \smile P, \pi] = \Phi$
4. $\Theta''[\sigma, \Phi, \langle \text{If}[\varphi, P_T, P_F] \rangle \smile P, \pi] = \vee \begin{cases} \Theta''[\sigma, \Phi, P_T \smile P, \pi] \\ \Theta''[\sigma, \Phi, P_F \smile P, \pi] \end{cases}$
5. $\Theta''[\sigma, \Phi, \langle \text{While}[\varphi, \iota, B] \rangle \smile P, \pi] = \vee \begin{cases} \Theta''[\sigma, \Phi \wedge \neg\varphi\sigma, P, \pi] \\ \Theta''[\sigma, \Phi \wedge \varphi\sigma \wedge \iota\sigma, B, \pi] \\ \Theta''[\sigma, \Phi \wedge \neg\varphi\sigma' \wedge \iota\sigma', P, \pi] \end{cases}$



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Binary Division Algorithm, by Kaldewaij

Specification["BinaryDivision", $BD[\downarrow A, \downarrow B]$,

Pre $\rightarrow A \geq 0 \wedge B > 0$,

Post $\rightarrow \beta = A\%B]$

Program["BinaryDivision", $BD[\downarrow a, \downarrow b]$,

$q = 0; r = A; b = B;$

While[$r \geq b$,

$(\exists_{k \geq 0} b = 2^k * B) \wedge q = 0 \wedge r = A \wedge A \geq 0 \wedge B > 0$, (*invariant*)

$b = 2 * b$]; (*endwhile*)

While[$b \neq B$,

$A = q * b + r; \wedge r \geq 0 \wedge (\exists_{k \geq 0} b = 2^k * B) \wedge B > 0 \wedge b > r$, (*invariant*)

$q = 2 * q; b = b/2;$

If[$r \geq b$,

$q = q + 1; r = r - b$]; (*then, endwhile*)

Return[r]]

Specification \rightarrow Specification["BinaryDivision"]]

Overall termination conditions:

$$\wedge \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (A \geq 0 \wedge B > 0 \wedge r < b) \Rightarrow \pi_1[b] \\ (A \geq 0 \wedge B > 0 \wedge r \geq b \wedge (\exists_{k \geq 0} b = 2^k * B) \wedge q = 0 \wedge r = A \wedge A \geq 0 \wedge B > 0 \wedge \pi_1[2 * b]) \Rightarrow \pi_1[b] \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \pi_1[B] \quad \text{1st While}$$



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Program["BinaryDivision", $BD[\downarrow a, \downarrow b]$,

$q = 0; r = A; b = B;$

While[$r \geq b$,

$(\exists_{k \geq 0} b = 2^k * B) \wedge q = 0 \wedge r = A \wedge A \geq 0 \wedge B > 0$, (*invariant*)

$b = 2 * b$]; (*endwhile*)

While[$b \neq B$,

$A = q * b + r; \wedge r \geq 0 \wedge (\exists_{k \geq 0} b = 2^k * B) \wedge B > 0 \wedge b > r$, (*invariant*)

$q = 2 * q; b = b/2;$

If[$r \geq b$,

$q = q + 1; r = r - b$]; (*then, endwhile*)

Return[r]]

Specification \rightarrow Specification["BinaryDivision"]]

Overall termination conditions:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (A \geq 0 \wedge B > 0 \wedge A < B \wedge b = B \Rightarrow \pi_2[q, b, r]) \\ (A \geq 0 \wedge B > 0 \wedge A < B \wedge b \neq B \wedge A = q * b + r \wedge r \geq 0 \wedge (\exists_{k \geq 0} b = 2^k * B) \wedge B > 0 \wedge b > r \wedge r \geq b \\ \wedge \pi_2[2 * q + 1, b/2, r - b]) \Rightarrow \pi_2[q, b, r] \\ (b \neq B \wedge A = q * b + r \wedge r \geq 0 \wedge (\exists_{k \geq 0} b = 2^k * B) \wedge B > 0 \wedge b > r \wedge r < b \wedge \pi_2[2 * q, b/2, r]) \Rightarrow \pi_2[q, b, r] \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \pi_2[0, B, A]$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A \geq 0 \wedge B > 0 \wedge \exists_{k \geq 0} b' = 2^k * B \wedge q = 0 \wedge r = A \wedge A \geq 0 \wedge B > 0 \wedge r < b' \wedge b = B \Rightarrow \pi_2[q, b, r] \\ (A \geq 0 \wedge B > 0 \wedge \exists_{k \geq 0} b' = 2^k * B \wedge q = 0 \wedge r = A \wedge A \geq 0 \wedge B > 0 \wedge r < b' \wedge b \neq B \wedge A = q * b + r \wedge r \geq 0 \\ \wedge (\exists_{k \geq 0} b = 2^k * B) \wedge B > 0 \wedge b > r \wedge r \geq b \wedge \pi_2[2 * q + 1, b/2, r - b]) \Rightarrow \pi_2[q, b, r] \\ (A \geq 0 \wedge B > 0 \wedge \exists_{k \geq 0} b' = 2^k * B \wedge q = 0 \wedge r = A \wedge A \geq 0 \wedge B > 0 \wedge r < b' \wedge b \neq B \wedge A = q * b + r \wedge r \geq 0 \\ \wedge (\exists_{k \geq 0} b = 2^k * B) \wedge B > 0 \wedge b > r \wedge r < b \wedge \pi_2[2 * q, b/2, r]) \Rightarrow \pi_2[q, b, r] \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \pi_2[0, b', A]$$



Termination of Non-Recursive Nested While Loops Programs

Program searching for an element in a matrix

```
Specification["Search", Search[↓ A, ↓ m, ↓ n, ↓ e],  
  Pre → m ≥ 1 ∧ n ≥ 1,  
  Post → 1 ≤ k ≤ m 1 ≤ l ≤ n A[k][l] = e ⇒ A[β1][β2] = e ∧ 1 ≤ k' ≤ m 1 ≤ l' ≤ n A[k][l] ≠ e ⇒ y = 0  
Program["Search", Search[↓ A, ↓ m, ↓ n, ↓ e],  
  i = 1; j = 1;  
  While[i ≤ m,  
    i ≤ m + 1 ⇒ 1 ≤ k < i 1 ≤ j ≤ n A[k][l] ≠ e, (*invariant*)  
    While[j ≤ n,  
      j ≤ n + 1 ⇒ 1 ≤ i ≤ m 1 ≤ l < j A[l][l] ≠ e, (*invariant*)  
      If[e = A[i][j],  
        Return[(i, j)]; (*then, endif*)  
        j = j + 1]; (*endwhile*)  
      i = i + 1]; (*endwhile*)  
  Return[0],  
Specification → Specification["GCD - LCM"]]
```

Overall termination condition: the invariant is omitted for readability of the formulae.

$$\wedge \left\{ \begin{array}{l} m \geq 1 \wedge n \geq 1 \wedge i > m \Rightarrow \pi_1[i, j] \\ m \geq 1 \wedge n \geq 1 \wedge i \leq m \wedge j > n \wedge \pi_1[i + 1, j] \Rightarrow \pi_1[i, j] \\ m \geq 1 \wedge n \geq 1 \wedge i \leq m \wedge j \leq n \wedge A[i][j] = e \Rightarrow \pi_1[i, j] \\ m \geq 1 \wedge n \geq 1 \wedge i \leq m \wedge j \leq n \wedge A[i][j] \neq e \wedge \pi_1[i, j + 1] \Rightarrow \pi_1[i, j] \\ m \geq 1 \wedge n \geq 1 \wedge i \leq m \wedge j' > n \wedge \pi_1[i + 1, j'] \Rightarrow \pi_1[i, j] \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \pi_1[1, 1] \quad (\text{outer While})$$
$$\wedge \left\{ \begin{array}{l} m \geq 1 \wedge n \geq 1 \wedge i \leq m \wedge j > n \Rightarrow \pi_2[j] \\ m \geq 1 \wedge n \geq 1 \wedge i \leq m \wedge j \leq n \wedge A[i][j] = e \Rightarrow \pi_2[j] \\ m \geq 1 \wedge n \geq 1 \wedge i \leq m \wedge j \leq n \wedge A[i][j] \neq e \wedge \pi_2[j + 1] \Rightarrow \pi_2[j] \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \pi_2[1] \quad (\text{inner While})$$



Thank you!

Questions?

