

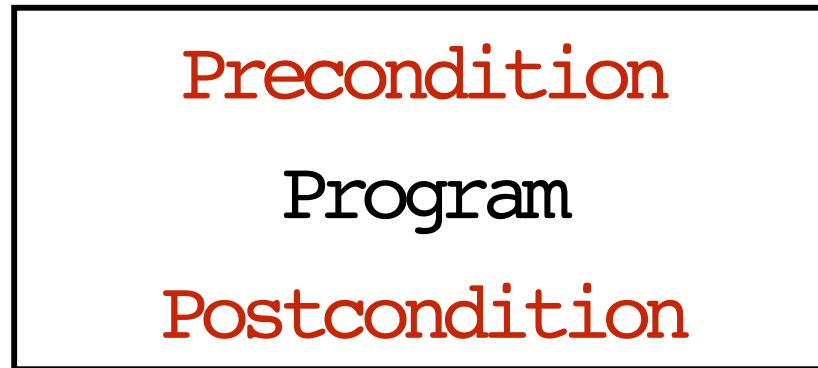
Formal Reasoning for Security and Privacy

Lecture 2

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Formal Semantics

We need to assign a formal meaning to the different components:



formal semantics
of specification
conditions

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of programs

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We also need to describe the rules
which combine program and
specifications.

Programming Language

```
c ::= abort
    | skip
    | x := e
    | c ; c
    | if e then c else c
    | while e do c
```

x, y, z, \dots program variables

e_1, e_2, \dots expressions

c_1, c_2, \dots commands

Semantics of Commands

This is defined on the structure of commands:

$$\{\text{abort}\}_m = \perp$$

$$\{\text{skip}\}_m = m$$

$$\{x := e\}_m = m[x \leftarrow \{e\}_m]$$

$$\{c; c'\}_m = \{c'\}_{m'} \quad \text{If } \{c\}_m = m'$$

$$\{c; c'\}_m = \perp \quad \text{If } \{c\}_m = \perp$$

$$\{\text{if } e \text{ then } c_t \text{ else } c_f\}_m = \{c_t\}_m \quad \text{If } \{e\}_m = \text{true}$$

$$\{\text{if } e \text{ then } c_t \text{ else } c_f\}_m = \{c_f\}_m \quad \text{If } \{e\}_m = \text{false}$$

$$\{\text{while } e \text{ do } c\}_m = \sup_{n \in \text{Nat}} \{\text{while}_n e \text{ do } c\}_m$$

where

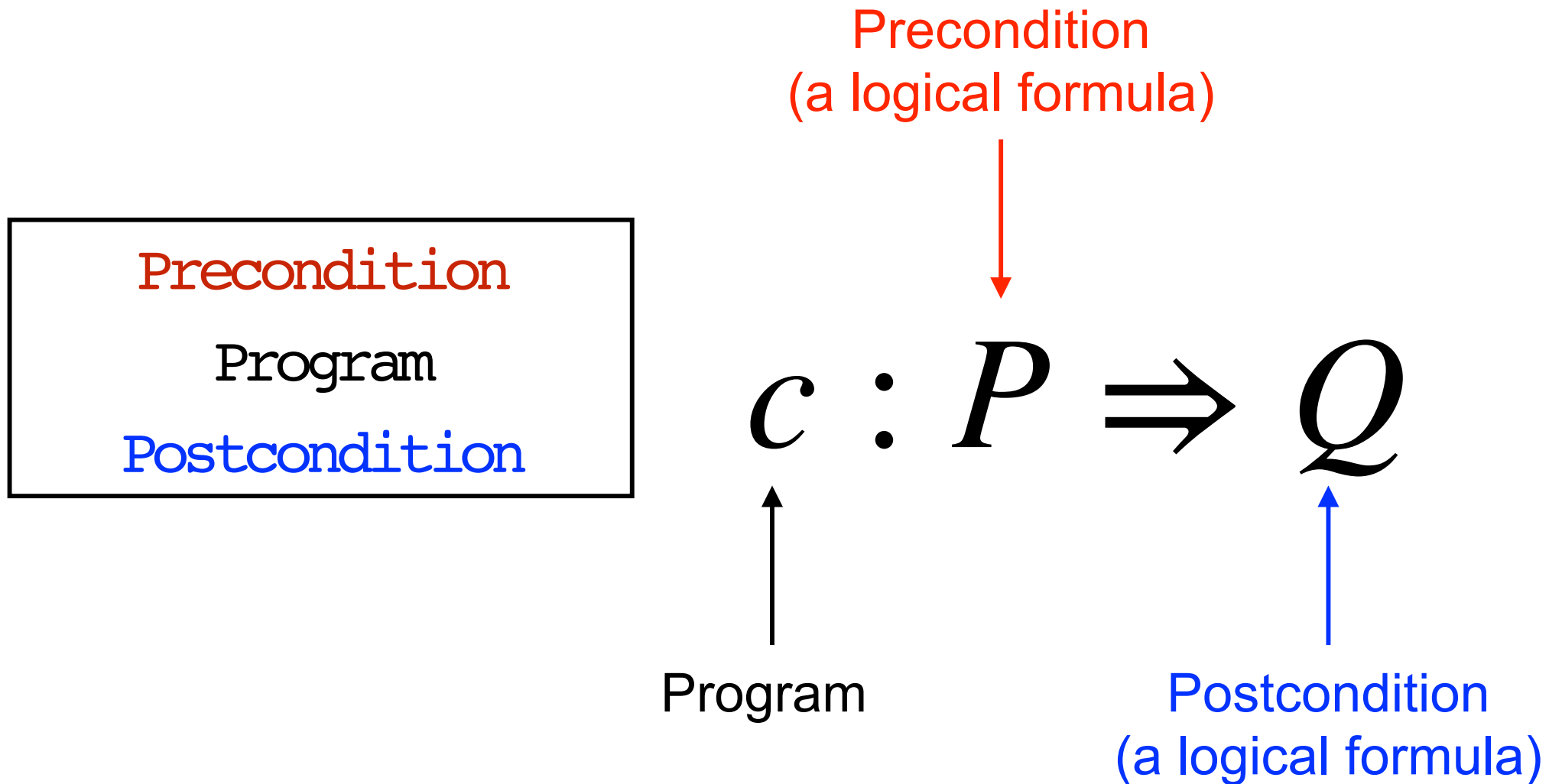
$$\text{while}_n e \text{ do } c = \text{while}^n e \text{ do } c; \text{if } e \text{ then abort else skip}$$

and

$$\text{while}^0 e \text{ do } c = \text{skip}$$

$$\text{while}^{n+1} e \text{ do } c = \text{if } e \text{ then } (c; \text{while}^n e \text{ do } c) \text{ else skip}$$

Hoare triple



Rules of Hoare Logic:

$$\frac{}{\vdash \text{skip} : P \Rightarrow P}$$

$$\frac{}{\vdash x := e : P[e/x] \Rightarrow P}$$

$$\frac{\vdash c : P \Rightarrow R \quad \vdash c' : R \Rightarrow Q}{\vdash c ; c' : P \Rightarrow Q}$$

$$\frac{P \Rightarrow S \quad \vdash c : S \Rightarrow R \quad R \Rightarrow Q}{\vdash c : P \Rightarrow Q}$$

$$\frac{\vdash c_1 : e \wedge P \Rightarrow Q \quad \vdash c_2 : \neg e \wedge P \Rightarrow Q}{\vdash \text{if } e \text{ then } c_1 \text{ else } c_2 : P \Rightarrow Q}$$

$$\frac{\vdash c : e \wedge P \Rightarrow P}{\vdash \text{while } e \text{ do } c : P \Rightarrow P \wedge \neg e}$$

Information Flow Control And Relational Hoare Logic (RHL)

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We assume that every variable is tagged with one either **public** or **private**.

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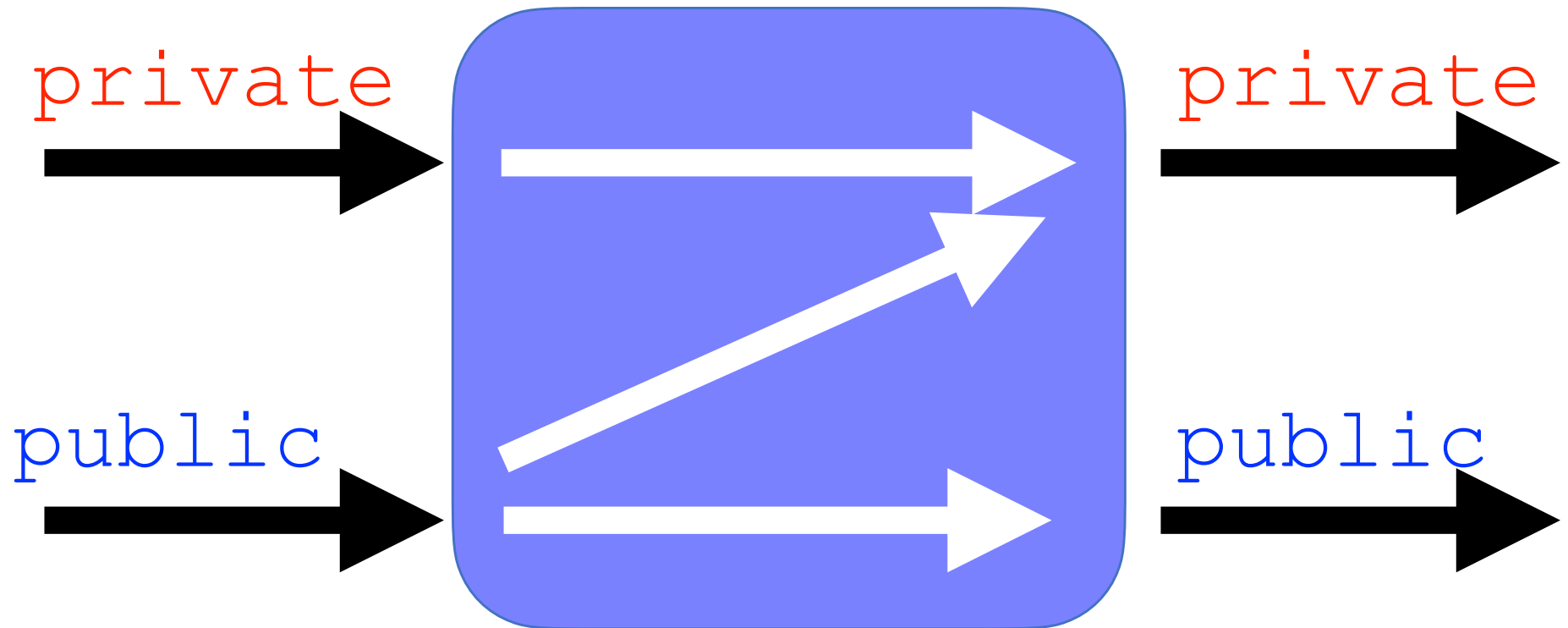
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How can we formulate a policy that forbids flows from private to public?

Low equivalence

Two memories m_1 and m_2 are **low equivalent** if and only if they coincide in the value that they assign to public variables.

In symbols: $m_1 \sim_{\text{low}} m_2$

Noninterference

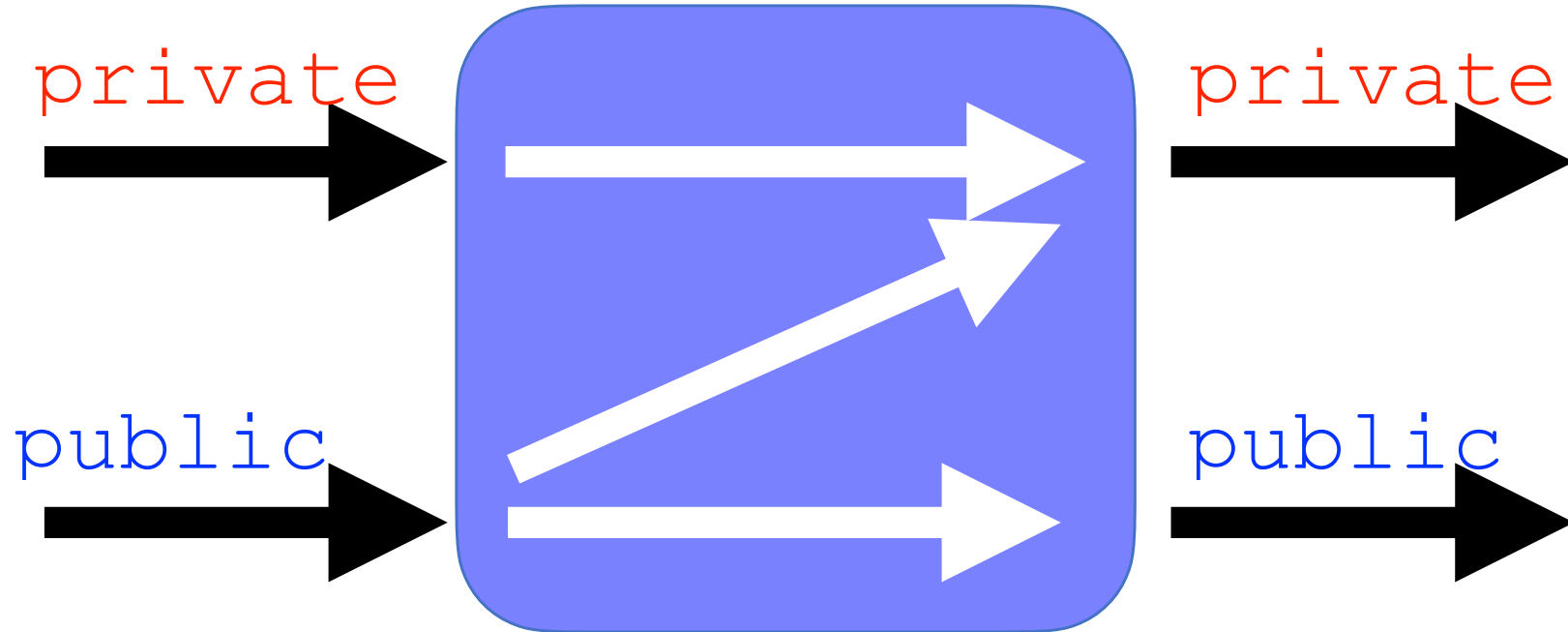
A program `prog` is **noninterferent** if and only if, whenever we run it on two **low equivalent** memories m_1 and m_2 we have that:

- 1) Either both terminate or both non-terminate
- 2) If they both terminate we obtain two **low equivalent** memories m_1' and m_2' .

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$m^{in_1}=[x=n_1,y=6]$

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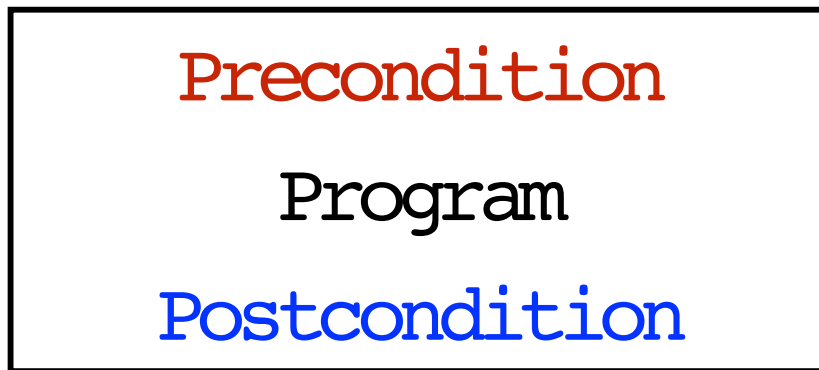
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Is this condition easy to check?

Can we use the tool we studied so far?

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(a logical formula)



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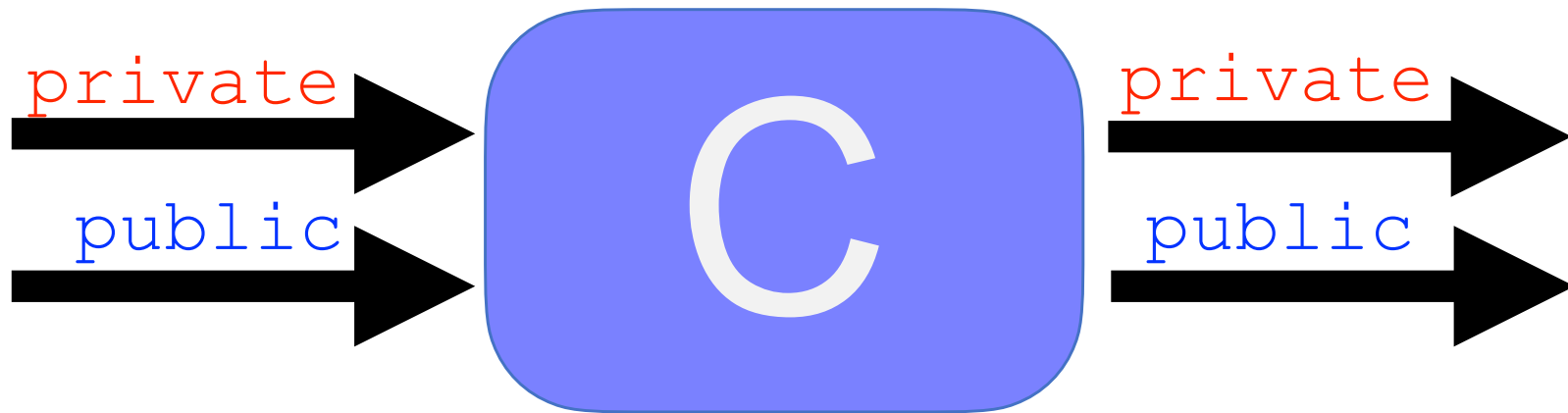
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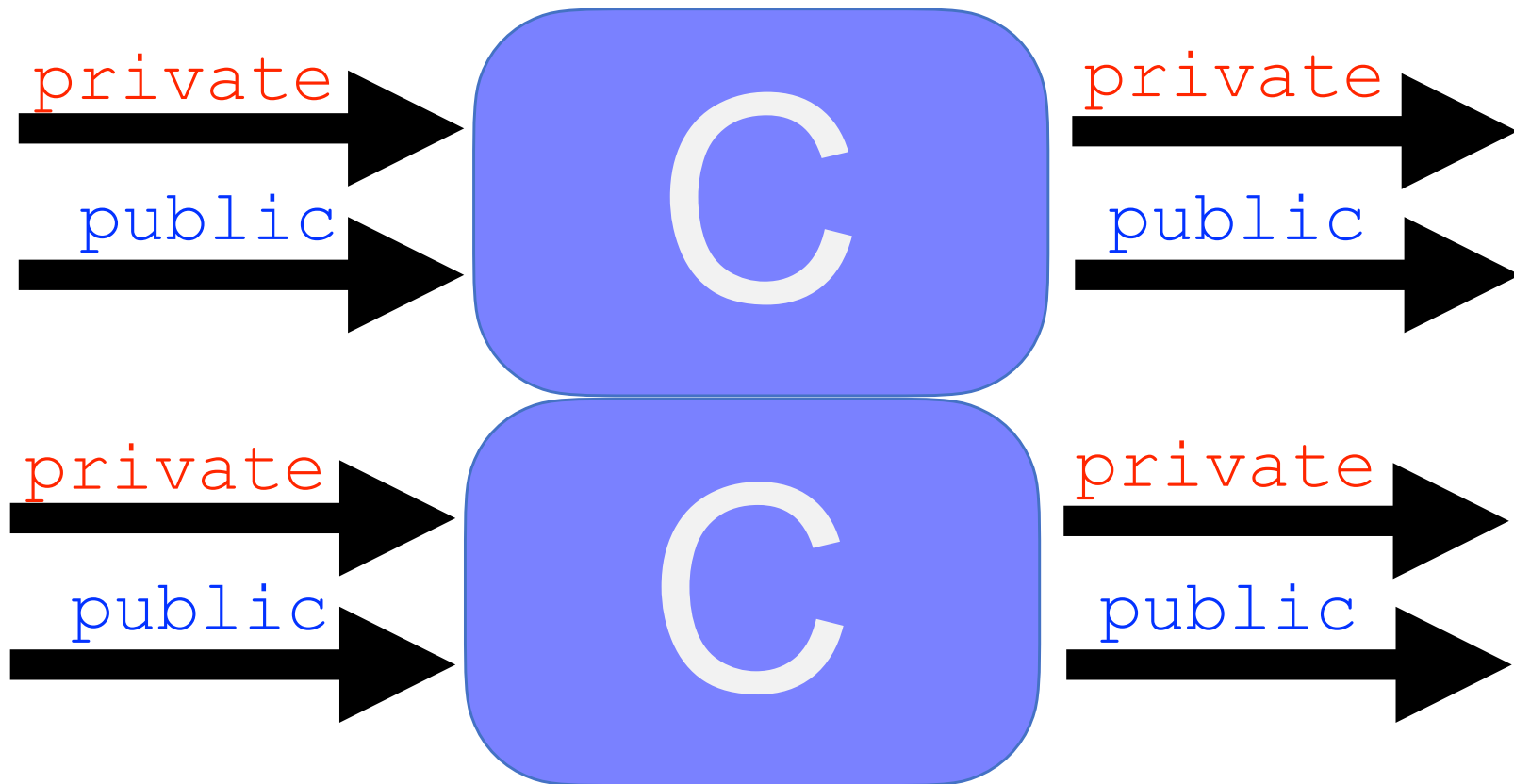


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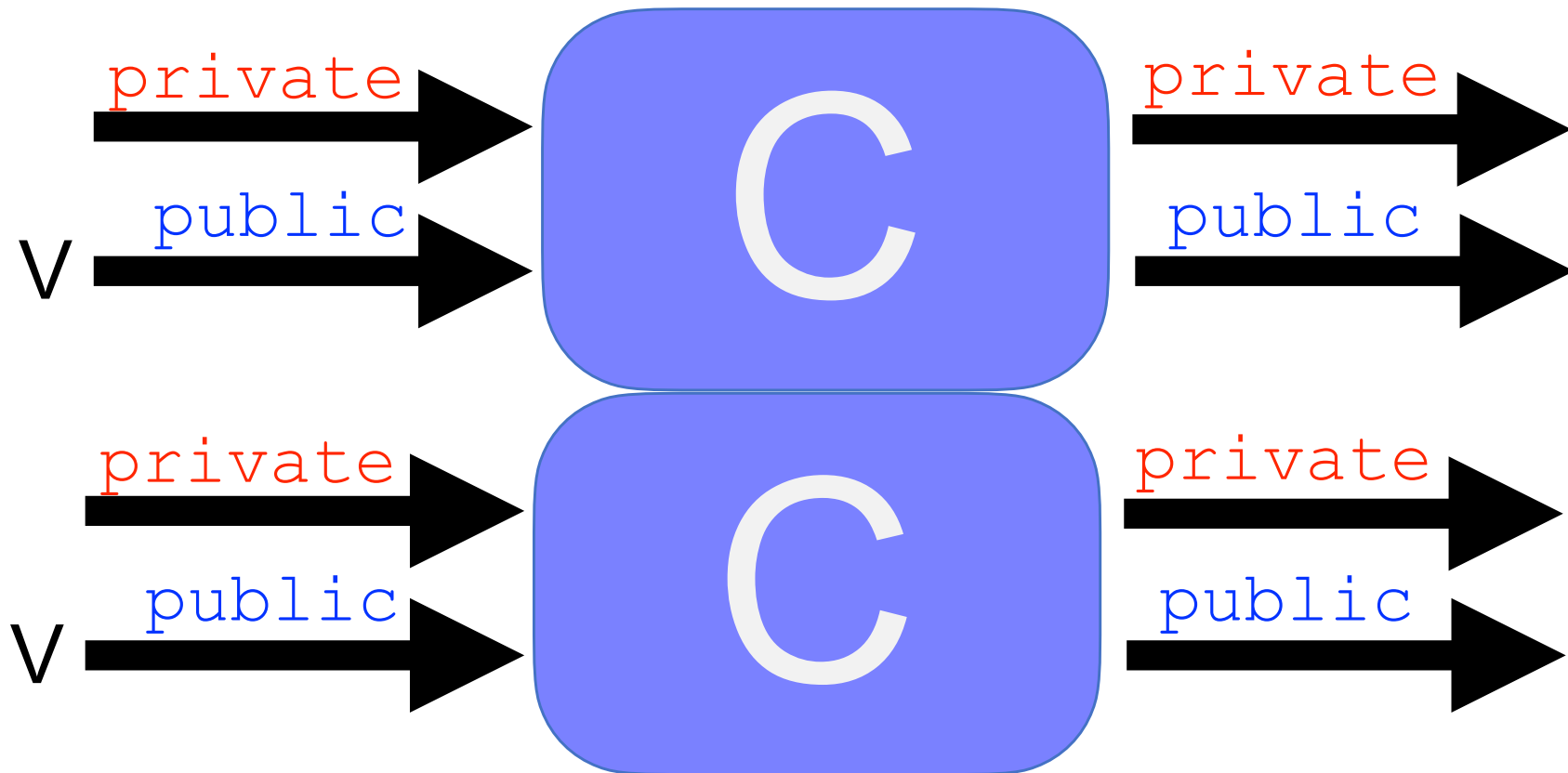


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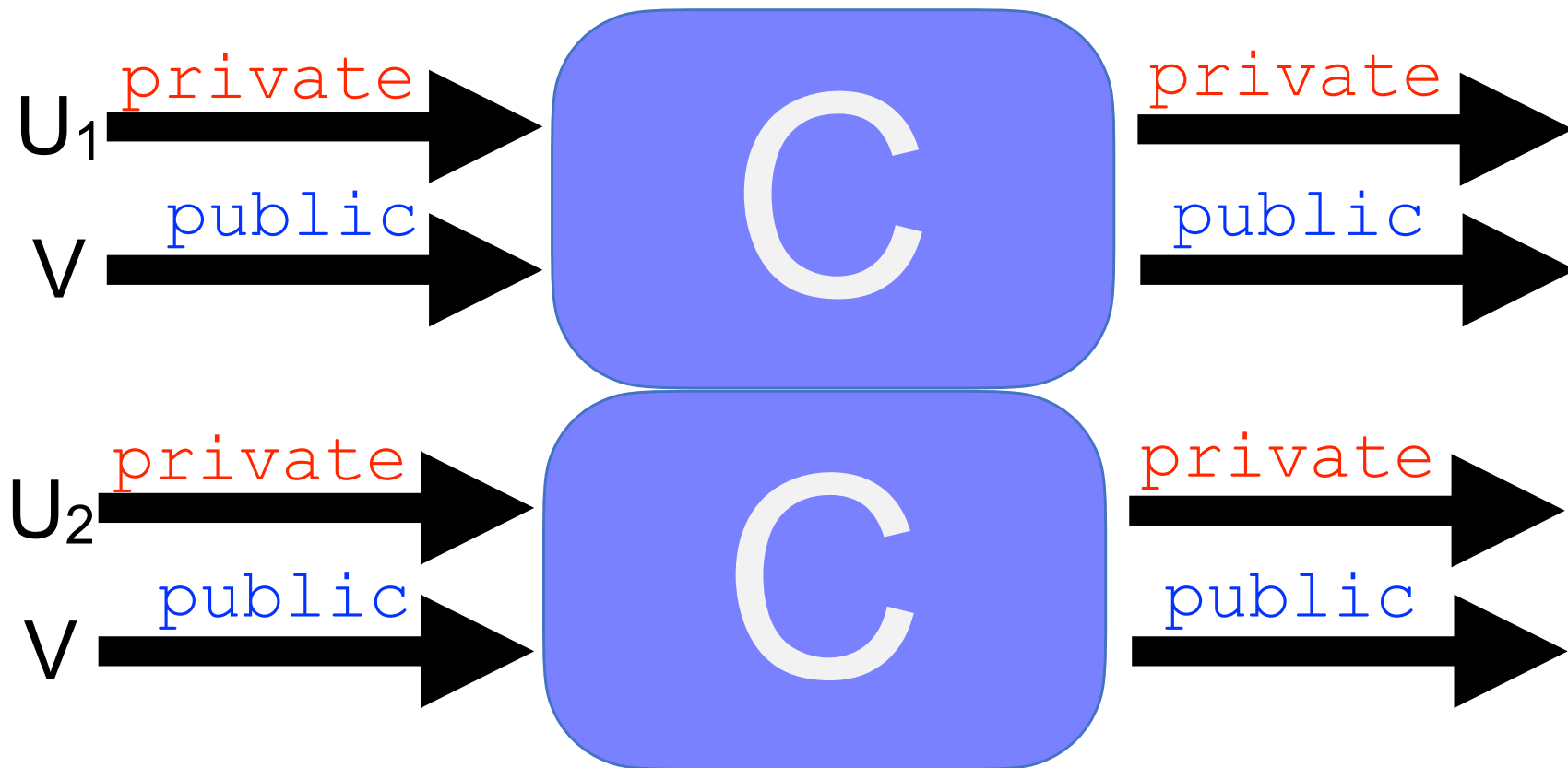


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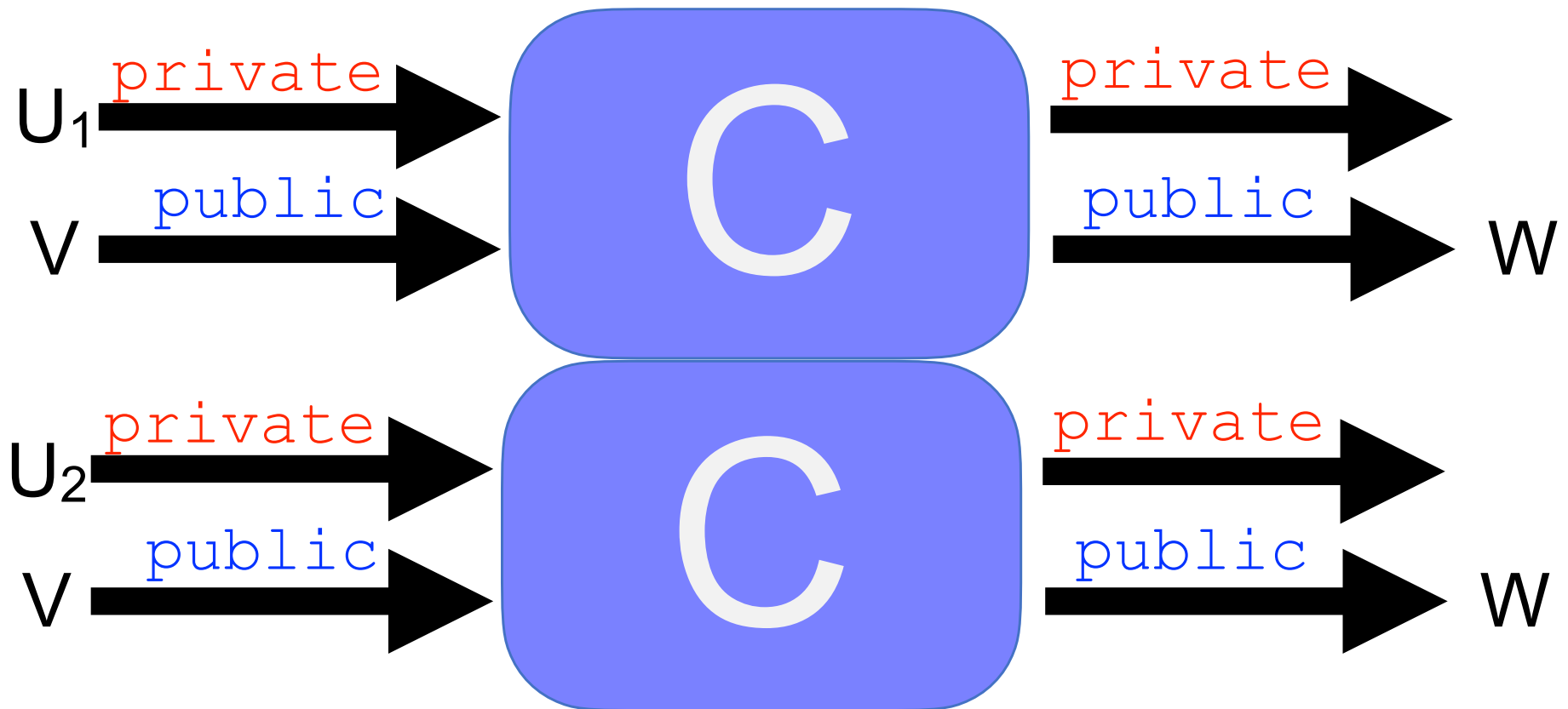


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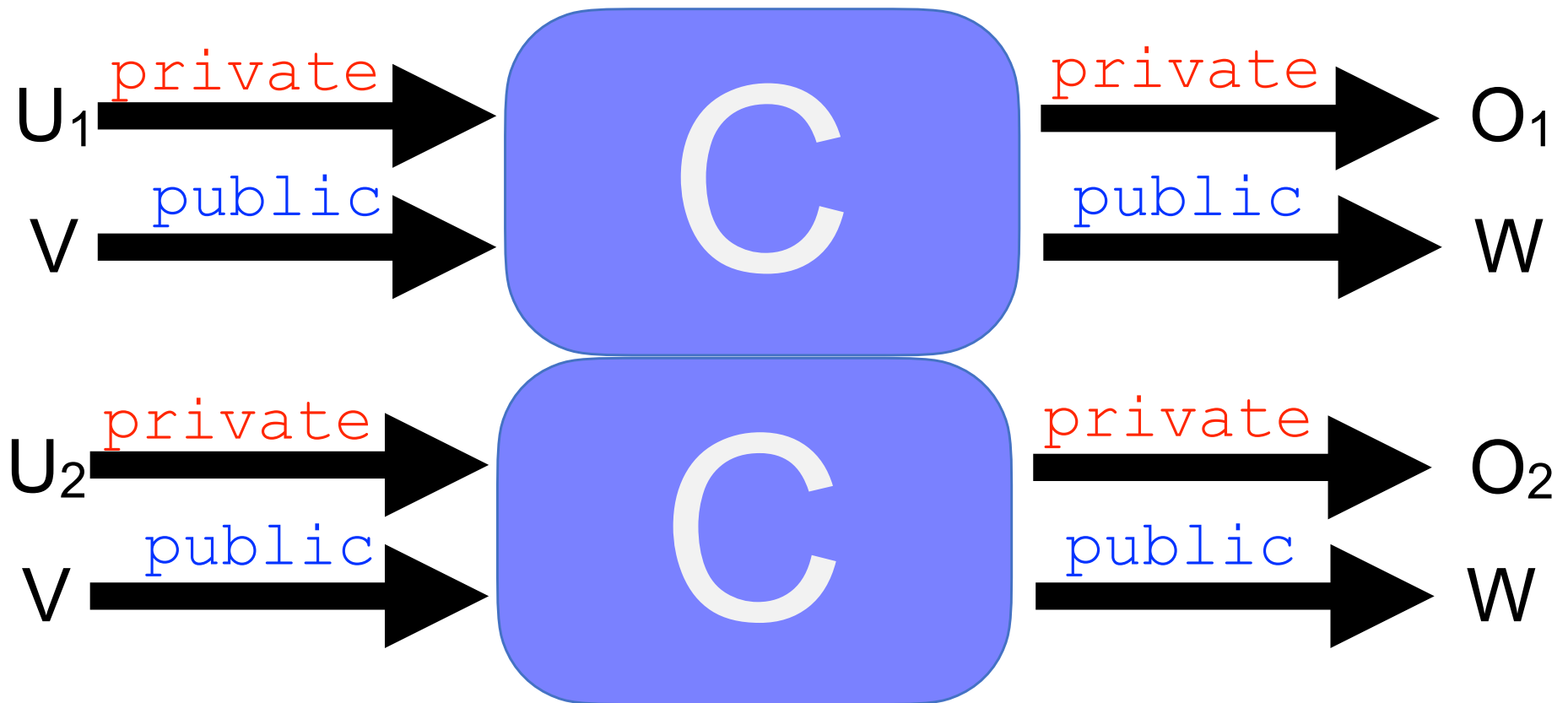


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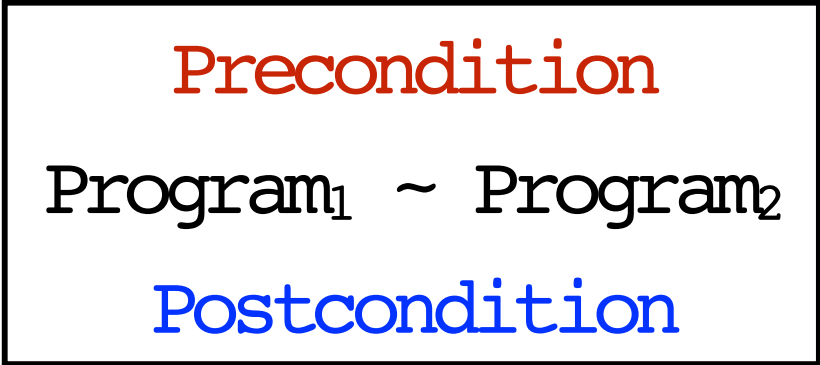
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$\vdash x_1 := e_1 \sim x_2 := e_2 :$

$P [e_1 \langle 1 \rangle / x_1 \langle 1 \rangle , e_2 \langle 2 \rangle / x_2 \langle 2 \rangle] \Rightarrow P$

Rules of Relational Hoare Logic

Assignment Example

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\Rightarrow

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Rules of Relational Hoare Logic

Consequence

$$\frac{P \Rightarrow S \quad \vdash C_1 \sim C_2 : S \Rightarrow R \quad R \Rightarrow Q}{\vdash C_1 \sim C_2 : P \Rightarrow Q}$$

We can **weaken** P , i.e. replace it by something that is implied by P .
In this case S .

We can **strengthen** Q , i.e. replace it by something that implies Q .
In this case R .

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Rules of Relational Hoare Logic

Composition

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An example

\vdash

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Invariant

How can we prove this?

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y:public
```

```
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```

```
∴ =low ⇒ =low
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```
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```
if y mod 3 = 0 then
```

```
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```

```
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Rules of Relational Hoare-Logic

One-sided Rules

What do we do if our two programs have different forms? There are three pairs of *one-sided* rules.

Rules of Relational Hoare Logic

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Rules of Relational Hoare Logic

Assignment — left

$\vdash x := e \sim \text{skip} :$

$P [e \langle 1 \rangle / x \langle 1 \rangle] \Rightarrow P$

Rules of Relational Hoare Logic

Assignment — right

$$\vdash \text{skip} \sim x := e :$$
$$P [e \langle 2 \rangle / x \langle 2 \rangle] \Rightarrow P$$

Also pair of one-sided rules for while — we'll ignore for now

Rules of Relational Hoare-Logic

Rules for Program Equivalence

RHL also has some rules allowing one to reason modulo program equivalence - we will not see there here.

How can we prove this?

```
s1:public
s2:private
r:private
i:public

proc Compare (s1:list[n] bool, s2:list[n] bool)
i:=0;
r:=0;
while i<n /\ r=0 do
  if not(s1[i]=s2[i]) then
    r:=1
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Soundness

If we can derive $\vdash C_1 \sim C_2 : P \Rightarrow Q$ through the rules of the logic, then the quadruple $C_1 \sim C_2 : P \Rightarrow Q$ is valid.

Relative Completeness

If a quadruple $C_1 \sim C_2 : P \Rightarrow Q$ is valid, and we have an oracle to derive all the true statements of the form $P \Rightarrow S$ and of the form $R \Rightarrow Q$, then we can derive $\vdash C_1 \sim C_2 : P \Rightarrow Q$ through the rules of the logic.

Soundness and completeness with respect to Hoare Logic

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Under the assumption that we can partition the memory adequately, and that we have termination.

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Probabilistic While (PWhile)

```
c ::= abort
    | skip
    | x := e
    | x := $ d
    | c ; c
    | if e then c else c
    | while e do c
```

d_1, d_2, \dots probabilistic expressions

Probabilistic Expressions

We extend the language with expression describing probability distributions.

$$d ::= f(e_1, \dots, e_n, d_1, \dots, d_k)$$

Where f is a distribution declaration

Some expression examples

`uniform({0, 1}n)` `gaussian(k, σ)` `laplace(k, b)`

Semantics of Probabilistic Expressions

We would like to define it on the structure:

$$\{f(e_1, \dots, e_n, d_1, \dots, d_k)\}_m = \{f\}(\{e_1\}_m, \dots, \{e_n\}_m, \{d_1\}_m, \dots, \{d_k\}_m)$$

but is the result just a value?

Probabilistic Subdistributions

A **discrete subdistribution** over a set A is a function

$$\mu : A \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

such that the mass of μ ,

$$|\mu| = \sum_{a \in A} \mu(a)$$

verifies $|\mu| \leq 1$.

The support of a discrete subdistribution μ ,

$$\text{supp}(\mu) = \{a \in A \mid \mu(a) > 0\}$$

is necessarily countable, i.e. finite or countably infinite.

We will denote the set of sub-distributions over A by $D(A)$, and say that μ is of type $D(A)$ denoted $\mu : D(A)$ if $\mu \in D(A)$.

Probabilistic Subdistributions

We call a subdistribution with mass exactly 1, a **distribution**.

We define the **probability** of an event $E \subseteq A$ with respect to the subdistribution $\mu: D(A)$ as

$$\mathbb{P}_\mu[E] = \sum_{a \in E} \mu(a)$$

Probabilistic Subdistributions

Let's consider $\mu \in \mathcal{D}(A)$, and $E \subseteq A$, we have the following properties

$$\mathbb{P}_\mu[\emptyset] = 0$$

$$\mathbb{P}_\mu[A] \leq 1$$

$$0 \leq \mathbb{P}_\mu[E] \leq 1$$

$$E \subseteq F \subseteq A \text{ implies } \mathbb{P}_\mu[E] \leq \mathbb{P}_\mu[F]$$

$$E \subseteq A \text{ and } F \subseteq A \text{ implies } \mathbb{P}_\mu[E \cup F] \leq \mathbb{P}_\mu[E] + \mathbb{P}_\mu[F] - \mathbb{P}_\mu[E \cap F]$$

We will denote by $\mathbf{0}$ the subdistribution μ defined as constant 0.

Operations over Probabilistic Subdistributions

Let's consider an arbitrary $a \in A$, we will often use the distribution $\text{unit}(a)$ defined as:

$$\mathbb{P}_{\text{unit}(a)}[\{b\}] = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a=b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

We can think about unit as a function of type $\text{unit}:A \rightarrow D(A)$

Operations over Probabilistic Subdistributions

Let's consider a distribution $\mu \in D(A)$, and a function $M:A \rightarrow D(B)$ then we can define their composition by means of an expression $\text{let } a = \mu \text{ in } M a$ defined as:

$$\mathbb{P}^{\text{let } a = \mu \text{ in } M a}[E] = \sum_{a \in \text{supp}(\mu)} \mathbb{P}_{\mu}[\{a\}] \cdot \mathbb{P}_{(Ma)}[E]$$

Semantics of Probabilistic Expressions - revisited

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With input a memory m and output a subdistribution $\mu \in D(A)$ over the corresponding type A . E.g.

$$\{\text{uniform}(\{0, 1\}^n)\}_{m \in D(\{0, 1\}^n)}$$

$$\{\text{gaussian}(k, \sigma)\}_{m \in D(\text{Real})}$$

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We can give the semantics as a function between **command**, **memories** and **subdistributions over memories**.

$$\text{Cmd} * \text{Mem} \rightarrow D(\text{Mem})$$

We will denote this relation as:

$$\{c\}_{m=\mu}$$

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How do we formalize this?

Probabilistic Noninterference

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