

Software Verification

Exercise Solution: Hoare & Separation logic

Solutions:

1) We introduce the helper variable z . The loop invariant $y = z!$ is crucial for the proof, and can be found by executing the loop for a couple of iterations with test values.

```
{true}
{1 = 0!}
y := 1;
{y = 0!}
z := 0;
{y = z!}
while (z != x) {
    {y = z! ^ z ≠ x}
    {y.(z + 1) = (z + 1)!}
    z := z + 1;
    {y.z = z!}
    y := y * z;
    {y = z!}
}
{y = z! ^ ¬(z ≠ x)}
{y = x!}
```

2) The algorithm employs a helper variable k . The proof uses the definition of the list predicate from the slides (see slide 18). We first give a rather detailed proof outline. You can use fewer assertions in the exam - the second outline is a good example.

```

{list (a::as) i}
{∃j. i→a.j * list as j}
  {i→a.j * list as j}
    {i→a}
    dispose(i);
    {empty}
  {i+1→j * list as j}
    {i+1→j}
    k := [i+1];
    {i+1→j ∧ k=j}
  {i+1→j * list as j ∧ k=j}
    {i+1→j}
    dispose(i+1);
    {empty}
  {list as j ∧ k=j}
{∃j. list as j ∧ k=j}
{list as k}
  i := k
{list as i}

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{∃j. list as j ∧ k=j}
{list as k}
  i := k
{list as i}

```