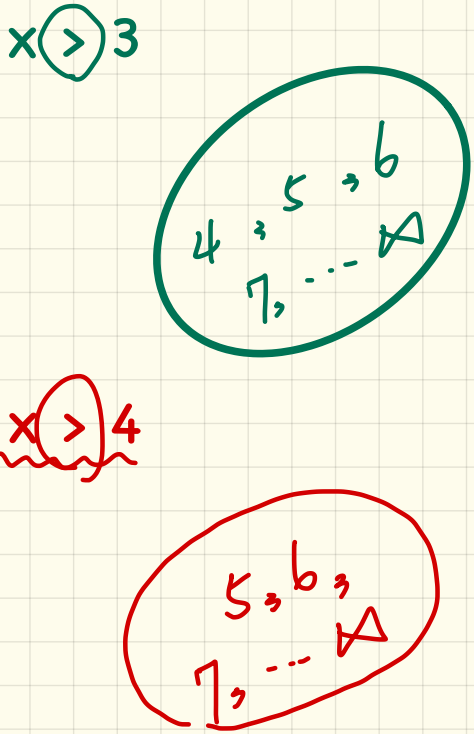
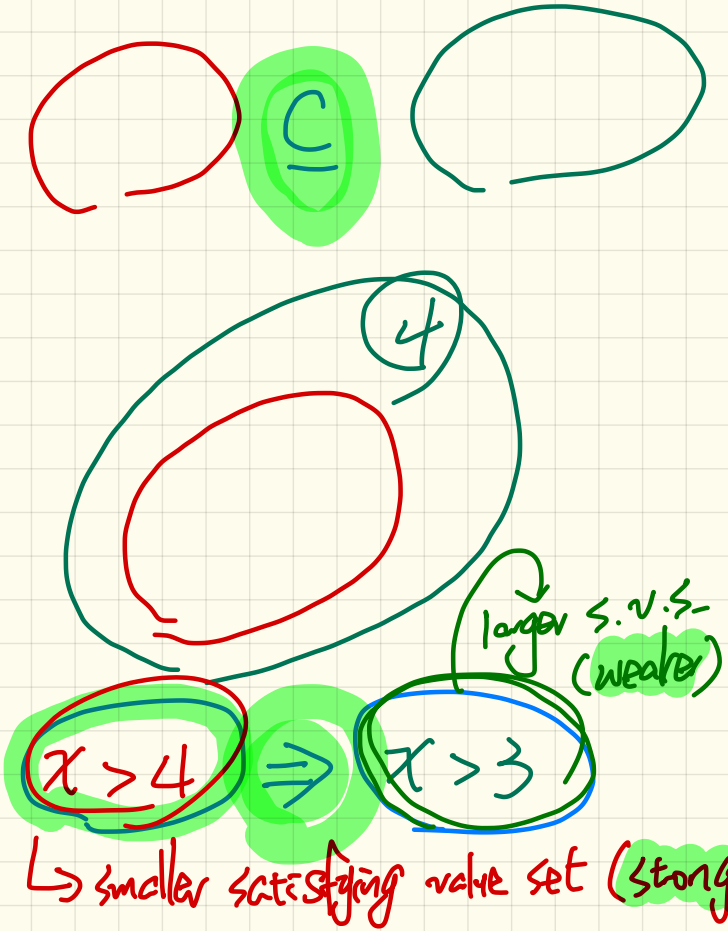
Lecture 24
Monday March 30

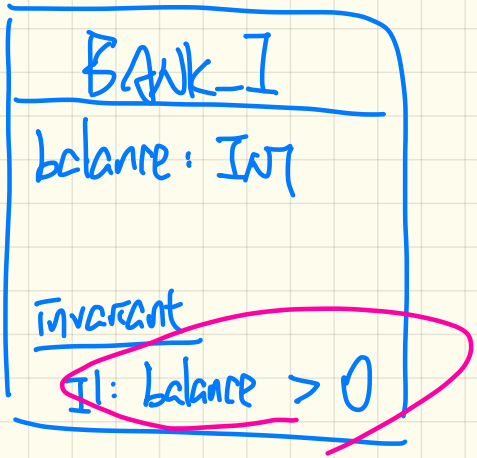
Assertions: Weak vs. Strong

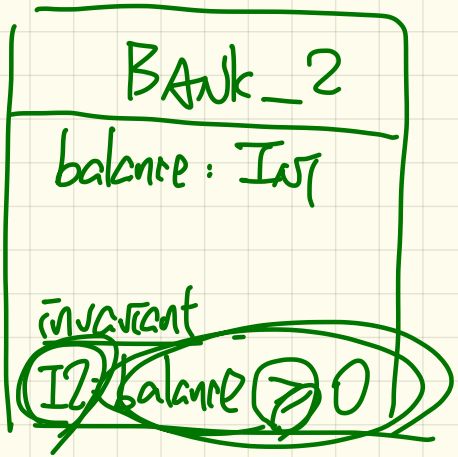


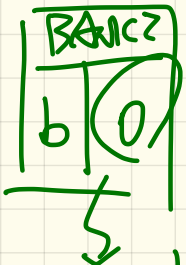


runtime

class inv. violation.

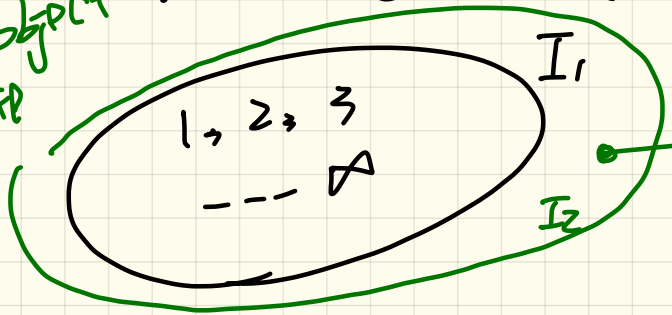






valid object state

Which class invariant is stronger? (I1).



$I_1 \Rightarrow I_2$

I_1 ↓ stronger.

Assertions: Preconditions

```
withdraw_v1(amount: INTEGER)
    require
      P1: amount > 0
```

require more

$P_1 \Rightarrow P_2$

```
withdraw_v2(amount: INTEGER)
    require
      P2: amount ≥ 0
```

require less

precondition violation

```
acc.withdraw_v1(0)
```

```
acc.withdraw_v2(0)
```

no pre. violation

withdraw_v2 is more tolerant on accepting input values.

Assertions: Postconditions

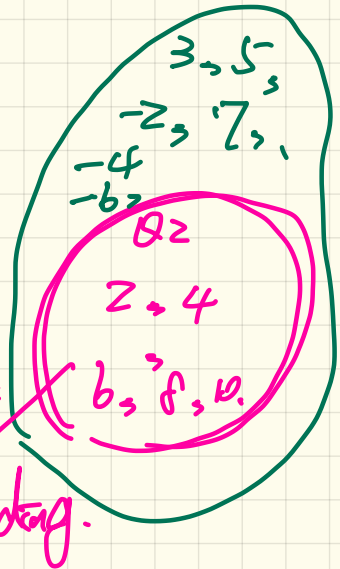
```
f1(i: INTEGER): BOOLEAN
    ensure
        Q1: Result = (i > 0) ∨ (i mod 2 = 0)
```

weaker

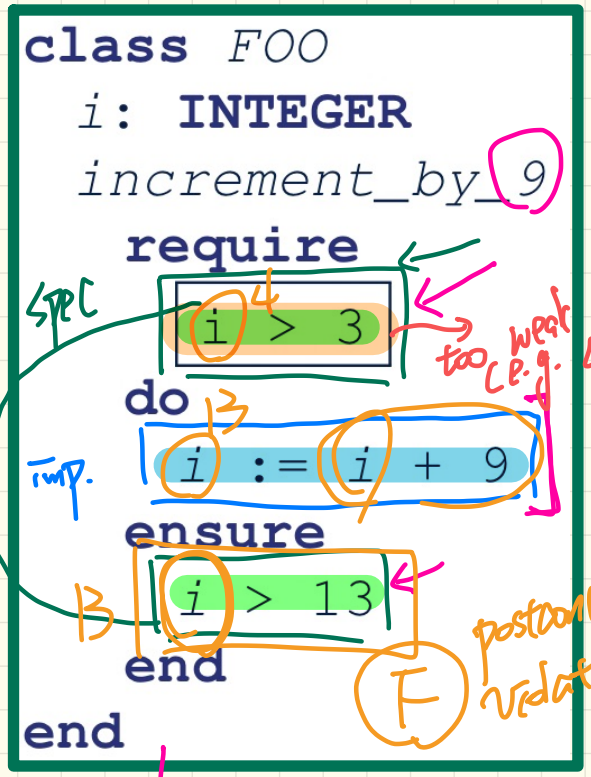
```
f2(i: INTEGER): BOOLEAN
    ensure
        Q2: Result = (i > 0) ∧ (i mod 2 = 0)
```

stronger → more demanding task for supplier

smaller satisfying value set ⇒ more demanding.



Program Correctness: Example (1)



Correctness of program: (relative)

implementation satisfies specification

Given valid input (precond. satisf.), executing the implementation

(4) counter example

wrt (1) terminate.

(2) upon termination, the postcondition is satisf.

4 + 9 > 13 F

Program Correctness: Example (2)

```
class FOO
  i: INTEGER
  increment_by_9
    require
      i > 5
    do
      i := i + 9
    ensure
      i > 13
    end
end
```

Guiding Principle: cannot be too weak

Correct: i: 6, 7, 8, ... not, it's up to the designer. whether a precond. is too strong or

valid input values

i + 9 is always > 13

Incorrect (?)

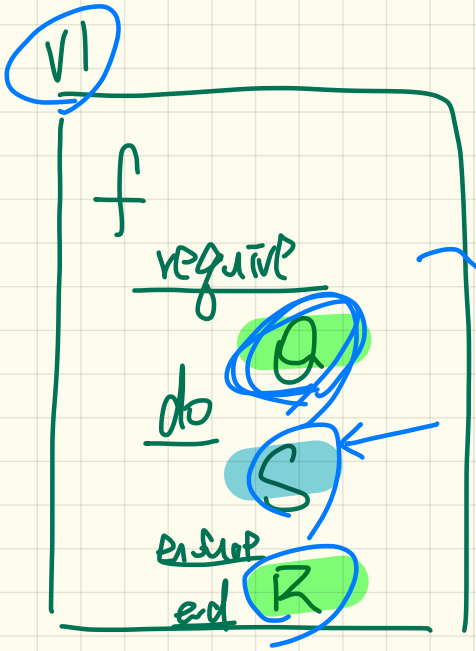
i > 5 (precondition)

stronger than necessary

shortlow some input value that would not cause postcon. violation

5 currently not considered a valid input.

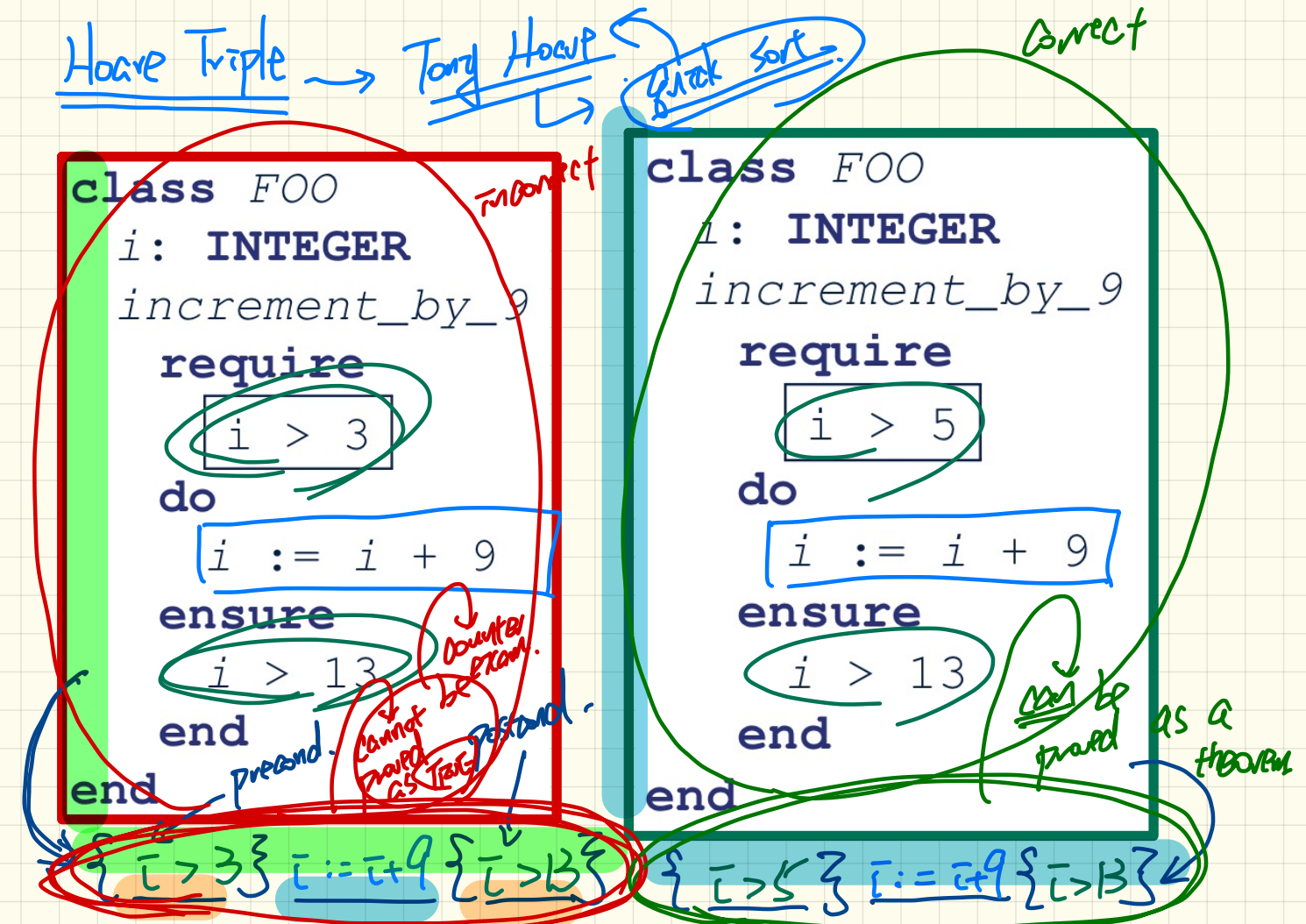
If 5 was allowed, 5 + 9 = 14 > 13 is T



verify whether Q is satisfied, when executing S will establish R.

When you justify that program is incorrect.

you may fix: Q, S, R


Hoare Triple
Tony Hoare
Quick sort
Correct
class FOO
i: INTEGER
increment_by_9
require
i > 3
do
i := i + 9
ensure
i > 13
end
end
Incorrect
counter example.
Cannot be proved as TRUE
precond.
postcond.
{i > 3} i := i+9 {i > 13}
class FOO
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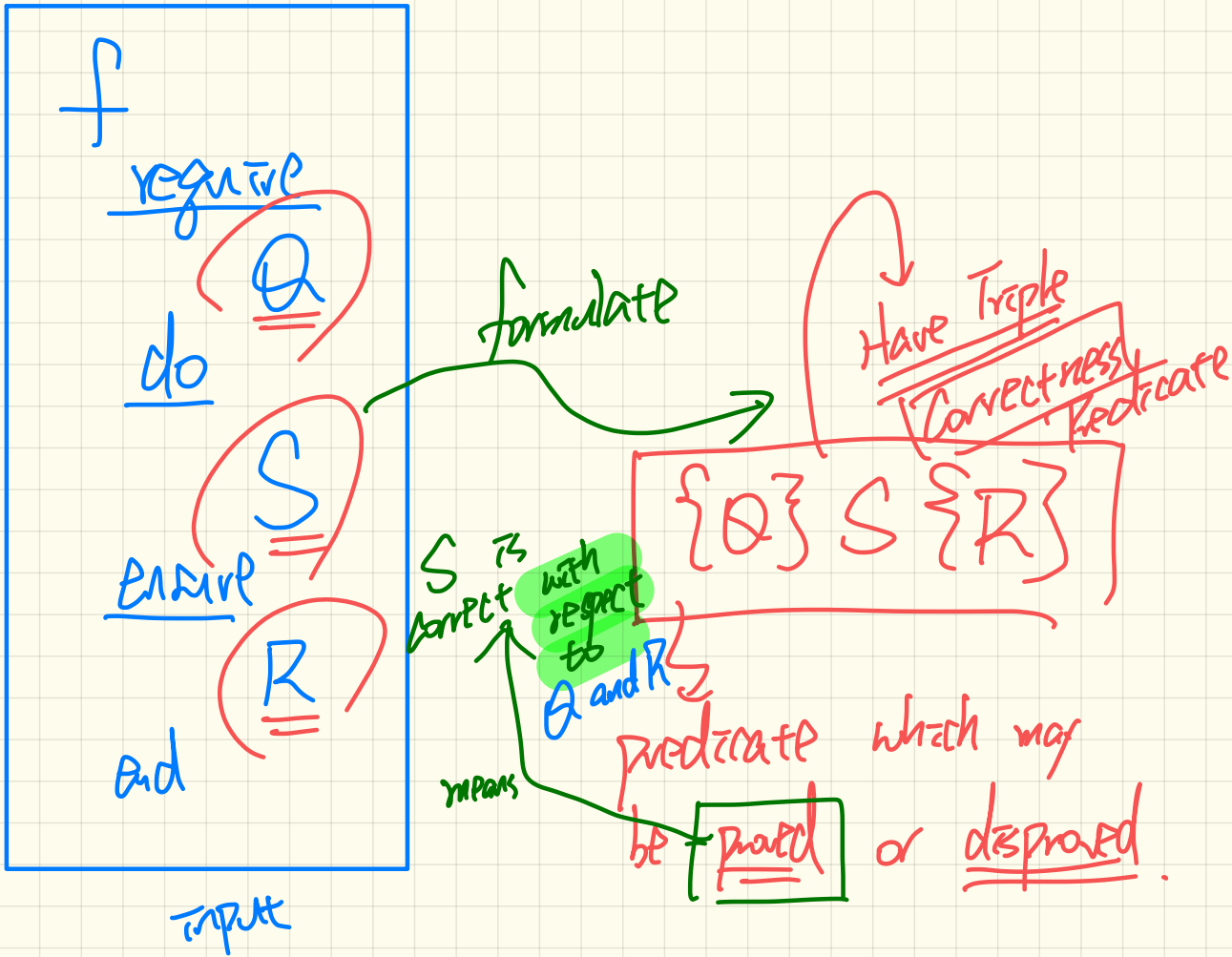
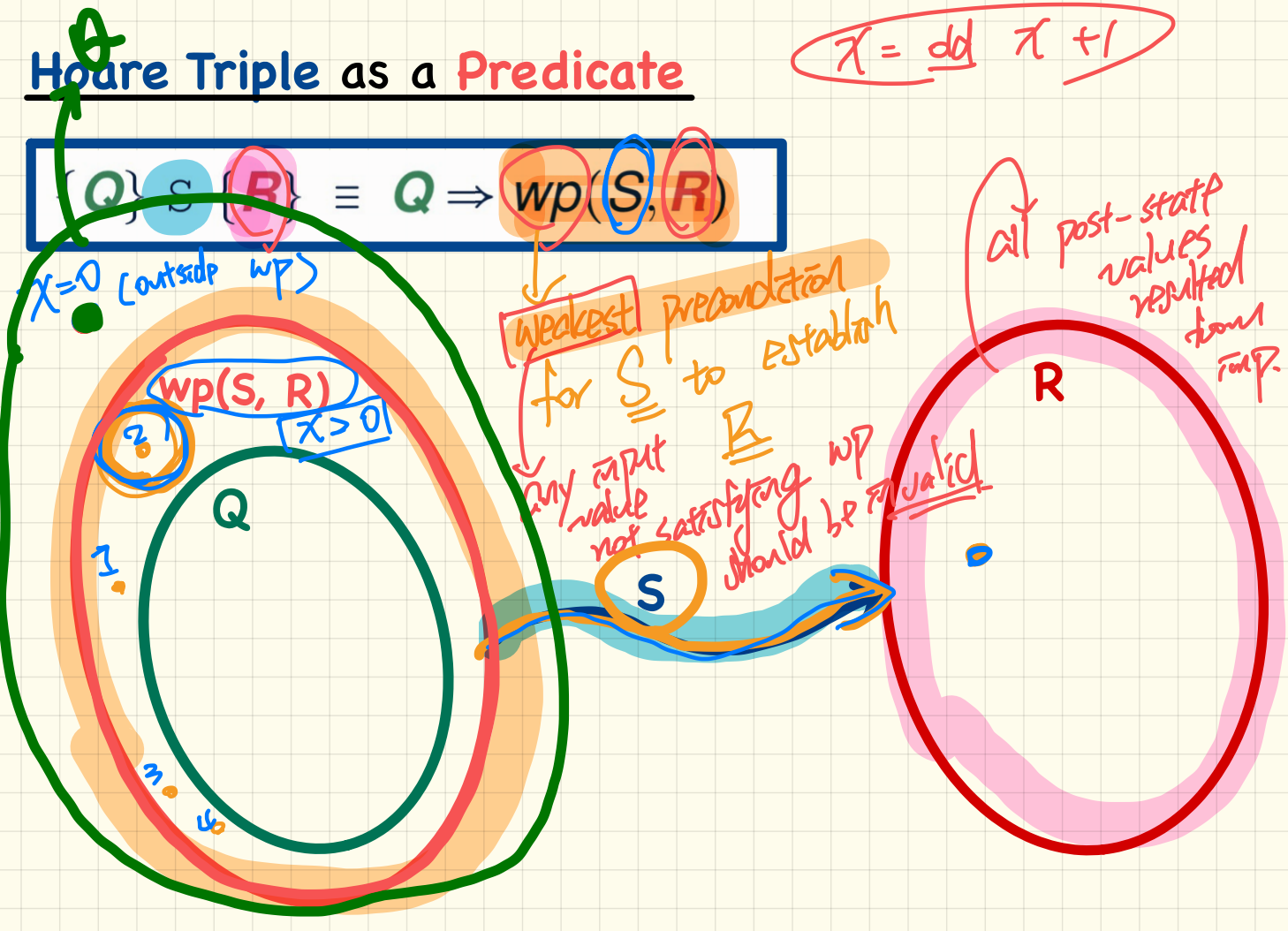

f
require
Q
do
S
ensure
R
end
input
formulate
Hoare Triple
Correctness Predicate
{Q} S {R}
S is correct with respect to Q and R
means
predicate which may
be proved or disproved.

Hoare Triple as a Predicate

$$\{Q\}\ S\ \{R\} \equiv Q \Rightarrow wp(S, R)$$



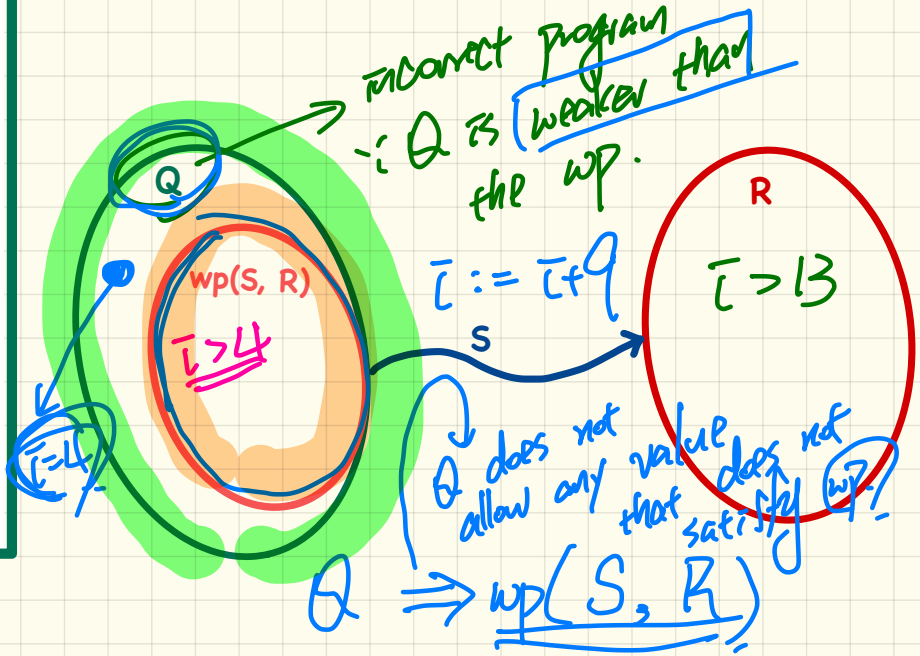
Program Correctness: Revisiting Example (1)

```
class FOO
  i: INTEGER
  increment_by_9
    require
      i > 3
    do
      i := i + 9
    ensure
      i > 13
    end
end
```

incorrect

$\{Q\}\ S\ \{R\} \equiv Q \Rightarrow wp(S, R)$

$i > 4 \Rightarrow wp(i := i+9,\ i > 13)$



Program Correctness: Revisiting Example (2)

```
class FOO
  i: INTEGER
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    require
      i > 5
    do
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    ensure
      i > 13
    end
end
```
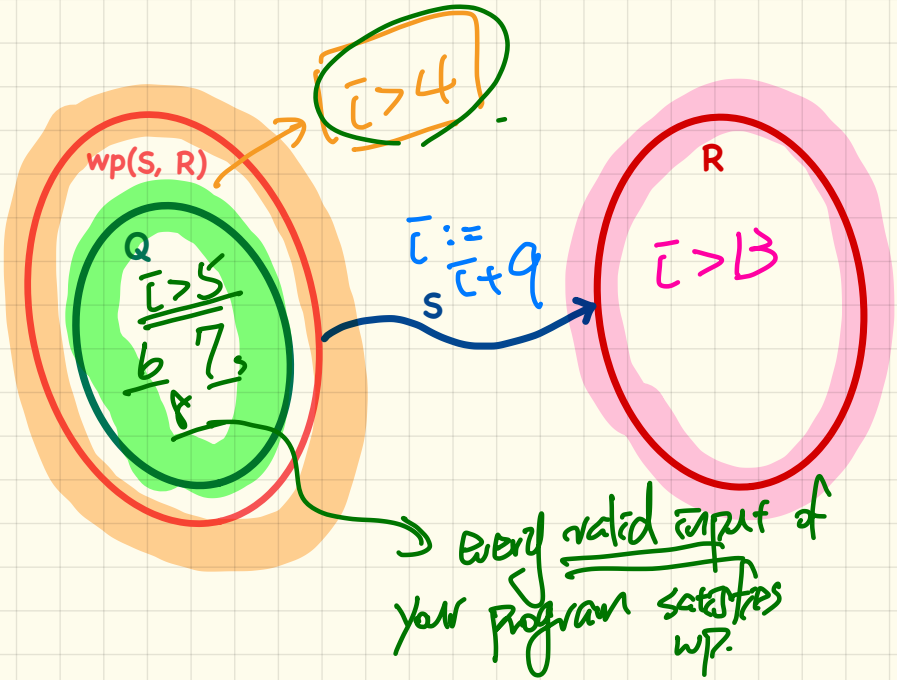
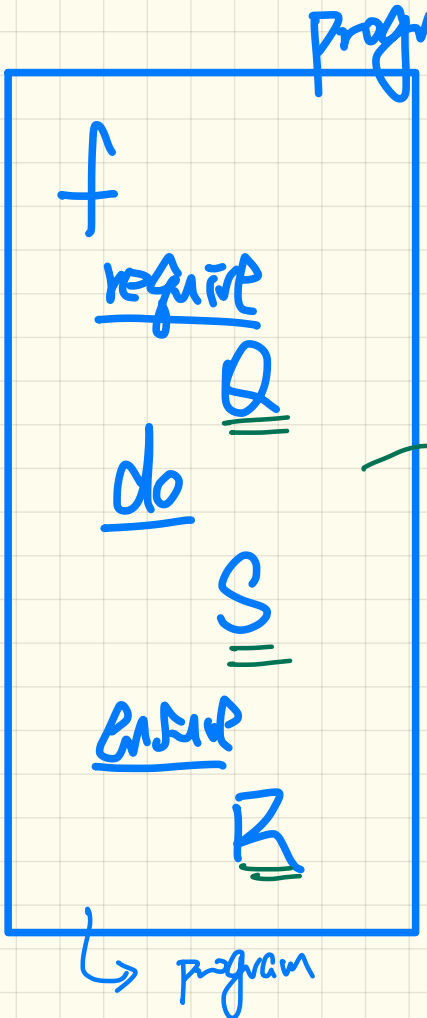
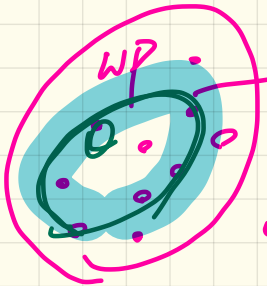

$$\{Q\}\ S\ \{R\} \equiv Q \Rightarrow wp(S, R)$$

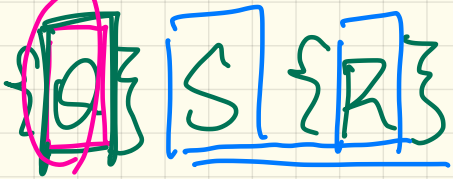






only values satisfying wp should be valid input.

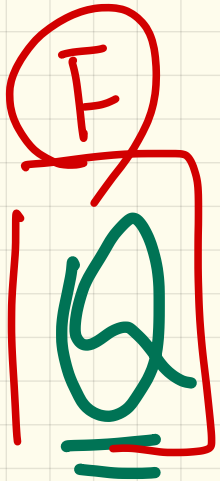
① formulate into



② Caculate $wp(S, R)$

③ Prove or disprove:

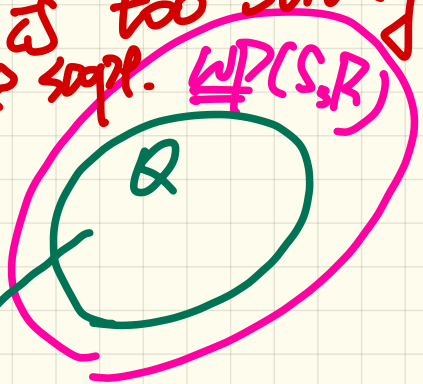
$Q \overset{C}{\Rightarrow} wp(S, R)$



Hoare triple proof (wp)
only makes sure your precond. is not too weak

$wp(S, R)$

Whether Q is too strong is beyond the scope.



Q is no weaker than wp.

f requires false

by def. correct

what is the Q that is no weaker than any wp?

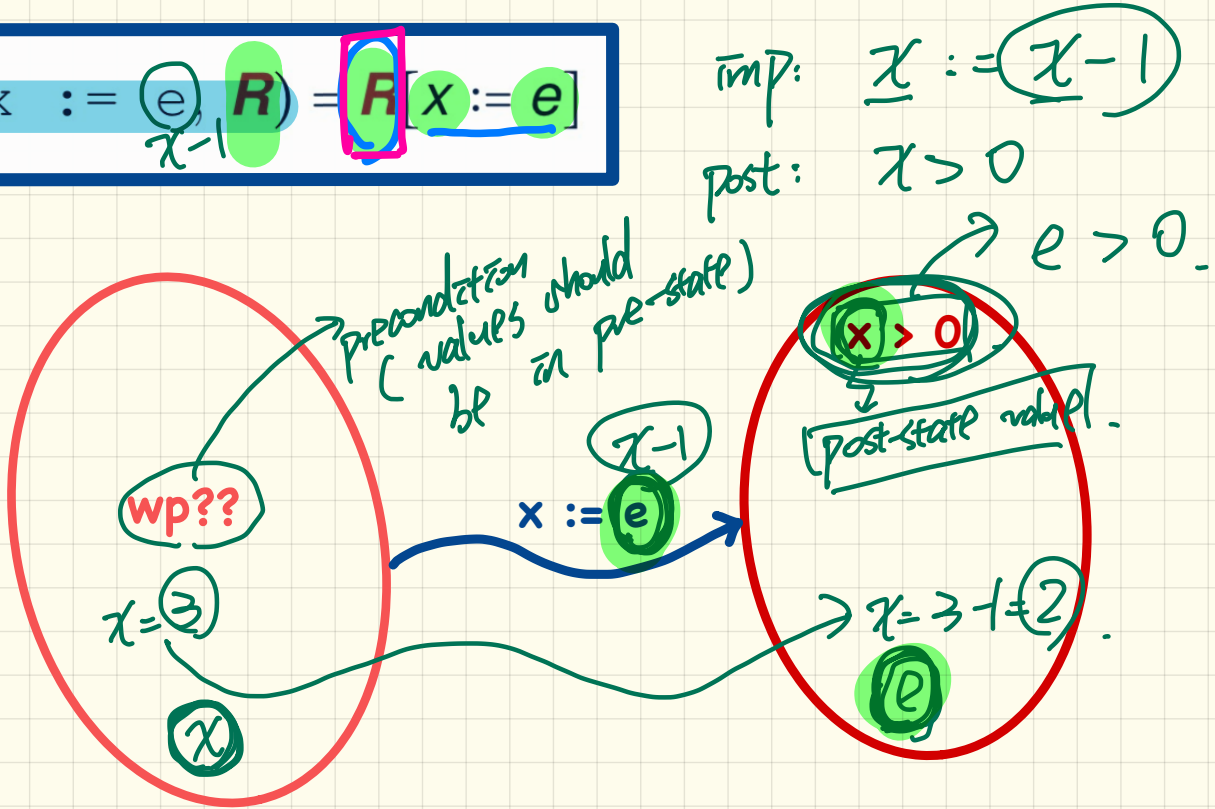
Rules of Weakest Precondition: Assignment

$$wp(x := e, R) = R[x := e]$$

$x-1$

imp: $x := x-1$

post: $x > 0$



Correctness of Programs: Assignment (1)

What is the weakest precondition for a program `x := x + 1` to establish the postcondition $x > x_0$?

$\{??\}$ `x := x + 1` $\{x > x_0\}$