

Exercise 4F-2. VCGen for Let [6 points].

$$\text{VC}(\text{let } x = e \text{ in } c, B) = [e/x]\text{VC}(c, [\sigma(x)/x]B)$$

This new rule ensures the restoration of the original value of x .

Exercise 4F-3. VCGen Mistakes [6 points].

Let us define a command c as

$$\text{let } x = 1 \text{ in } x = y + x$$

a post-condition B as

$$x + y = 3$$

and an initial state σ as

$$\{x = 5, y = 1\}$$

We can see that using the buggy rule for $\text{VC}(\text{let } x = 1 \text{ in } x = y + x, x + y = 3)$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & [1/x]\text{VC}(x = y + x, x + y = 3) \\ \Rightarrow & [1/x](2y + x = 3) \\ \Rightarrow & 2y + 1 = 3 \\ \Rightarrow & 2y = 2 \\ \Rightarrow & y = 1 \end{aligned}$$

which is satisfied by our initial state σ . After evaluating $\langle c, \sigma \rangle \Downarrow \sigma'$, we get σ' as

$$\{x = 5, y = 1\}$$

as the original $\sigma(x)$ is preserved after the let command. We can see that $\sigma' \not\models B$, as $x + y \neq 3$. Therefore, we have demonstrated the unsoundness of the buggy let rule.

Exercise 4F-4. Axiomatic Do-While [6 points].

$$\frac{\vdash \{A\} c \{B\} \quad \vdash \{B \wedge b\} c \{B\}}{\vdash \{A\} \text{do } c \text{ while } b \{B \wedge \neg b\}}$$