# 15F-1 Bookkeeping

- 0 pts Correct

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- 10. However, using the "lannister" rule, we fail to prove  $\vdash \{A\} \ c \ \{B\}$ . My derivation tree got way too big, so I'll explain it verbally:
  - We're trying to show  $\vdash \{x = 5\} \ x := 4 \ \{x \neq y \implies x = 5 \land x = y \implies y = 5\}.$
  - We assume the precondition to be true (as it is before any iterations), so x = 5.
  - Evaluating the command, x := 4, binds x to 4, however.
  - y is never modified, and remains equal to 5, so  $x \neq y$ .
  - $x \neq y \implies x = 5$ . But, we just bound x to 4, so we have a true statement  $(x \neq y)$  implying a false statement (x = 5), so this is false.
  - By the definition of conjunction, this means the postcondition must be false.
  - So, the implicant of the rule is false, and we fail to prove the implicand.
  - But, we found above that the postcondition *does* hold when we evaluate this command. A starting state exists such that the implicand is ultimately true, even though we could not prove it.

Thus, the "lannister" rule is incomplete.

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