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the certifying compiler for properties like well typedness or safe memory access. As the certifying compiler is designed to be completely automatic, it will not

Bytecode Specification Language

Specification clause in BSL that are taken from JML and inherit their semantic directly from JML include:

- class specification, i.e. class invariant and history constraint
- method precondition, normal and exceptional postcondition, method frame condition (the location that may be modified by the method). We also support behavioral subtyping by specification inheritance (the keyword `also`)
- inter method specification, for instance loop invariant
- predicate from first order logic
- expression from the programming language, like field access expression, local variable, etc.
- specification operator. For instance `\old(\mathcal{E})` which is used in method \mathcal{E} in the predicate of a method, `\result`

substitution lemma.

Returning back to the example, the expression c and $st(c)$ stand respectively for the stack counter and the element on the top of the stack. This is because the JVM is stack based, i.e. the instructions take their argument from the method execution stack and put the result on the stack. The *wp* rule for `Type_Easy` increment the stack counter c and load on the stack top the content of the local variable $lv[i]$.

In the rest of the section, we consider the following specific $\text{frame } S$ increment e $\text{frame } u$

resulting predicate is quantified over the expression that may be modified by
 the called method. We also assume that if the invocation
 abnormally, by throwing an exception of type `Exc`, on returning the control to
 the invoker^{ex} hold. The rule for tactic
 rather the same except for the number of tactics

4.4 Exception handlers and Subroutines

Exception handlers are treated by identifying the instruction at which the handler compilation starts. The JVM specification mandates that a Java compiler must supply for every method an **Exception Table** attribute that contains data structure describing the compilation of every implicit (in presence of sub-routine) or explicit exception handler: the instruction at which the compiled

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This validation can be done at source or at bytecode level in a common environment: for instance, to prove lemma using bytecode correctness all the current and future prover plugged in Jack can be used.

We envisage several directions for future work:

- perform case studies
- Build a P framework where the proofs are done interactively over the source code and then compiled down to bytecode. As we discussed in Section 5 in the performed test the proof obligation generated over a source program and over its compilation with non-optimizing compiler are syntactically the same modulo names and types. We aim to establish

