

CS536 Homework 4

Sequential Nondeterminism, Hoare Triples 1 & 2

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Answers: -

Question 1: -

- a. $DO \equiv \text{do } x \neq 0 \rightarrow x := x-1; y := y+1 \square x \neq 0 \rightarrow x := x-1; y := y+2 \text{ od}$
 If $\sigma = \{x = \beta, y = \delta\}$ and $\beta \geq 2$ then there exist two possible paths to execute for single iteration
 $\langle DO, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \langle S1; DO, \sigma \rangle = \langle x := x-1; y := y+1; DO, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \langle DO, \sigma[x \mapsto \beta-1, y \mapsto \delta+1] \rangle$
 $\langle DO, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \langle S2; DO, \sigma \rangle = \langle x := x-1; y := y+2; DO, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow \langle DO, \sigma[x \mapsto \beta-1, y \mapsto \delta+2] \rangle$
 So after one iteration possible τ are $\{\tau[x \mapsto \beta-1, y \mapsto \delta+1], \tau[x \mapsto \beta-1, y \mapsto \delta+2]\}$
- b. We know from (a) that $\sigma_1 \in \{\tau[x \mapsto \beta-1, y \mapsto \delta+1], \tau[x \mapsto \beta-1, y \mapsto \delta+2]\}$. To get all possible σ_2 let's say σ_1 is $\tau[x \mapsto \beta-1, y \mapsto \delta+1]$, then one iteration will result in $\{\tau[x \mapsto (\beta-1)-1, y \mapsto (\delta+1)+1], \tau[x \mapsto (\beta-1)-1, y \mapsto (\delta+1)+2]\} = \{\tau[x \mapsto \beta-2, y \mapsto \delta+2], \tau[x \mapsto \beta-2, y \mapsto \delta+3]\}$
 if σ_1 is $\tau[x \mapsto \beta-1, y \mapsto \delta+2]$, then one iteration will result in $\{\tau[x \mapsto (\beta-1)-1, y \mapsto (\delta+2)+1], \tau[x \mapsto (\beta-1)-1, y \mapsto (\delta+2)+2]\} = \{\tau[x \mapsto \beta-2, y \mapsto \delta+3], \tau[x \mapsto \beta-2, y \mapsto \delta+4]\}$
 Combining both τ we get
 $\sigma_2 \in \{\tau[x \mapsto \beta-2, y \mapsto \delta+2], \tau[x \mapsto \beta-2, y \mapsto \delta+3], \tau[x \mapsto \beta-2, y \mapsto \delta+4]\}$
 (two τ are same, so wrote them as one)
- c. We can see from σ_1 and σ_2 that x gets updated to $\beta-k$, decrementing x in each iteration. For y we observed during each iteration that y is incremented $2k-n$ times where n is $0 \leq n \leq k$. So in general the set of all possible states for k iterations is
 $\Sigma' = \{\sigma_0[x \mapsto \beta-k, y \mapsto \delta+2k-n \mid 0 \leq n \leq k]\}$

Question 2: -

- If $\sigma \models \{p\} S \{q\}$ and $\sigma \neq p$, then $\perp \in M(S, \sigma)$ **may or may not** occur.
 (Partial correctness in state σ describes what happens if $\sigma \models p$, but it doesn't say $\sigma \neq p$.)
- If $\sigma \models \{p\} S \{q\}$ and $\sigma \neq p$, then $M(S, \sigma) - \{\perp\} \models q$ **may or may not** occur.
 (Partial correctness in state σ does not describe what happens if $\sigma \neq p$.)
- If $\sigma \models \{p\} S \{q\}$ and $\sigma \models p$, then $\perp \in M(S, \sigma)$ **may or may not** occur.
 (Partial correctness in σ says that $\perp \in M(S, \sigma)$ or $M(S, \sigma) - \{\perp\} \models q$.)
- If $\sigma \models \{p\} S \{q\}$ and $\sigma \models p$, then $M(S, \sigma) - \{\perp\} \models q$ **may or may not** occur.
 (Same reason as in 2(c))
- If $\models_{\text{tot}} \{p\} S \{q\}$ then $\models_{\text{tot}} \{p\} S \{T\}$ **must** occur.
 (If S terminates satisfying q then it terminates satisfying true.)

- f. If $\models_{\text{tot}} \{p\} S \{T\}$ then $\models_{\text{tot}} \{p\} S \{q\}$ **may or may not** occur.
(We can't say S terminates successfully satisfying q)
- g. If $\sigma \models \{p\} S \{q\}$ and S is deterministic, then $\sigma \models p$, $\perp \notin M(S, \sigma)$, and $M(S, \sigma) \models \neg q$ **must** all occur simultaneously.
(If $\perp \notin M(S, \sigma)$ and $M(S, \sigma) \models q$, then the state $\in M(S, \sigma)$ must satisfy $\neg q$.)
- h. If $\perp \notin M(S, \sigma)$, $M(S, \sigma) \models q$, and S is deterministic, then $M(S, \sigma) \models \neg q$ **must** occur.
(Since S is deterministic, $M(S, \sigma) = \text{some } \{\tau\}$; if $\tau \neq \perp$ and $\models q$, then it must $\models \neg q$.)
- i. If $\perp \notin M(S, \sigma)$, $M(S, \sigma) \models q$, and S is nondeterministic, then $M(S, \sigma) \models \neg q$ **may or may not** occur.
(As S is nondeterministic, $M(S, \sigma) \models q$ says that one of the states doesn't satisfy q and not all)
- j. If $M(S, \sigma) \models q$, $\tau \in M(S, \sigma)$, and S is nondeterministic, then $\tau \models q$ **may or may not** occur.
- k. If S is deterministic and $\sigma \models \{p\} S \{q\}$, then $\sigma \models \{p\} S \{\neg q\}$ **may or may not** occur.
- l. If $\sigma \not\models_{\text{tot}} \{p\} S \{q\}$ and S is deterministic, then $\sigma \models \{p\} S \{\neg q\}$ **must** occur.
- m. If $\sigma \not\models_{\text{tot}} \{p\} S \{q\}$ and S is nondeterministic, then $\sigma \models \{p\} S \{\neg q\}$ **may or may not** occur.
- n. If $\sigma \not\models \{p\} S \{q\}$ and S is deterministic, then $\sigma \models_{\text{tot}} \{p\} S \{\neg q\}$ **must** occur.
- o. If $\sigma \not\models \{p\} S \{q\}$ and S is non-deterministic, then $\sigma \models_{\text{tot}} \{p\} S \{\neg q\}$ **may or may not** occur.

Question 3: -

- We know that for backward assignment $\{P(e)\} v := e \{P(v)\}$. So in our question we want this statement
 $b := b+b$ to terminate in a state that satisfies $\{b*c \leq d-b\}$. Based on this we can say that we can start in a state which also satisfies $\{b*c \leq d-b\}$, but every occurrence of 'b' is replaced with 'b+b'. So our precondition $\{P(e)\}$ becomes
 $\{(b+b) * c \leq d - (b+b)\}$

Question 4: -

- a. $U \equiv \{1 \leq m*y \leq n*m\}$ (replacing 'x' with 'm' for backward assignment)
- b. $v \equiv \{1 \leq m*n \leq n*m\} = \{1 \leq m*n\}$
- c. $\{v\} y := n \{u\}$ ---- 1
 $\{u\} x := m \{1 \leq x*y \leq n*m\}$ -----2

We need postcondition of 1 to match with precondition of 2. So from above we can see they are same so $\{w\}$ in $\{w\} y := n ; x := m \{1 \leq x*y \leq n*m\}$ will be $\{v\}$ which is $\{1 \leq m*n\}$ (or $\{1 \leq m*n \leq n*m\}$)

Question 5: -

- a. If $\sigma \models \{p\} S \{q\}$
 Given $p_0 \rightarrow p$, $p \rightarrow p_1$, $q_0 \rightarrow q$, and $q \rightarrow q_1$. Now moving towards left strengthens the precondition and moving towards right weakens the postcondition.
 So by strengthen precondition we get $p_0 \rightarrow p$ and by Weakening postcondition we get $q \rightarrow q_1$.
 Combining we get $\sigma \models \{p_0\} S \{q_1\}$
- b. $\sigma \models_{\text{tot}} \{p_0\} S \{q_1\}$ for the same reason as (a)

Question 6: -

Let's say that S is deterministic and that running S on σ yields τ . If $\tau = \perp$, then we get partial correctness in all four cases (a) - (d), so assume $\tau \neq \perp$.

- Yes: $\sigma \models \{p_1 \wedge p_2\} S \{q_1 \wedge q_2\}$. If $\sigma \models p_1 \wedge p_2$, then $\sigma \models p_1$ and $\sigma \models p_2$ both holds. Hence $\sigma \models p_1$ which means $\tau \models q_1$. Similarly, $\sigma \models p_2$, so $\tau \models q_2$.
- Yes: $\sigma \models \{p_1 \vee p_2\} S \{q_1 \vee q_2\}$? $\sigma \models p_1 \vee p_2$ implies that at least one of $\sigma \models p_1$ and $\sigma \models p_2$ hold. If $\sigma \models p_1$ then $\tau \models q_1$, so $\tau \models q_1 \vee q_2$. Similarly, if $\sigma \models p_2$, then $\tau \models q_1 \vee q_2$.
- Yes: $\sigma \models \{p_1 \wedge p_2\} S \{q_1 \vee q_2\}$? If $\sigma \models p_1 \wedge p_2$ then from (a), $\sigma \models q_1 \wedge q_2$, which implies $q_1 \vee q_2$. (Alternatively, $\sigma \models p_1 \wedge p_2$ implies $\sigma \models p_1$, which implies $\tau \models q_1$, which implies $\tau \models q_1 \vee q_2$.)
- No, $\sigma \not\models \{p_1 \vee p_2\} S \{q_1 \wedge q_2\}$.

This can be explained by giving an example:

$\models \{x > 2\} y := x \{y > 2\}$ and $\models \{x \leq 2\} y := x \{y \leq 2\}$, but $\not\models \{x > 2 \vee x \leq 2\} y := x \{y > 2 \wedge y \leq 2\}$

This was assuming S was deterministic. If S is nondeterministic, then substitute $M(S, \sigma)$ for τ above.