

# AAA616: Program Analysis

## Lecture 3 — Introduction to Program Analysis

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# Static Program Analysis

A general method for  
automatic and sound approximation of  
sw run-time behaviors  
before the execution

- “before”: statically, without running sw
- “automatic”: sw analyzes sw
- “sound”: all possibilities into account
- “approximation”: cannot be exact
- “general”: for any source language and property
  - ▶ C, C++, C#, F#, Java, JavaScript, ML, Scala, Python, JVM, Dalvik, x86, Excel, etc
  - ▶ “buffer-overrun?”, “memory leak?”, “type errors?”, “ $x = y$  at line 2?”, “memory use  $\leq 2K$ ?", etc

# Program Analysis is Undecidable

Reasoning about program behavior involves the Halting Problem: e.g.,

```
if ... then  $x := 1$  else ( $S; x := 2$ );  $y := x$ 
```

What are the possible values of  $x$  at the last statement?



Alan Turing (1912–1954)

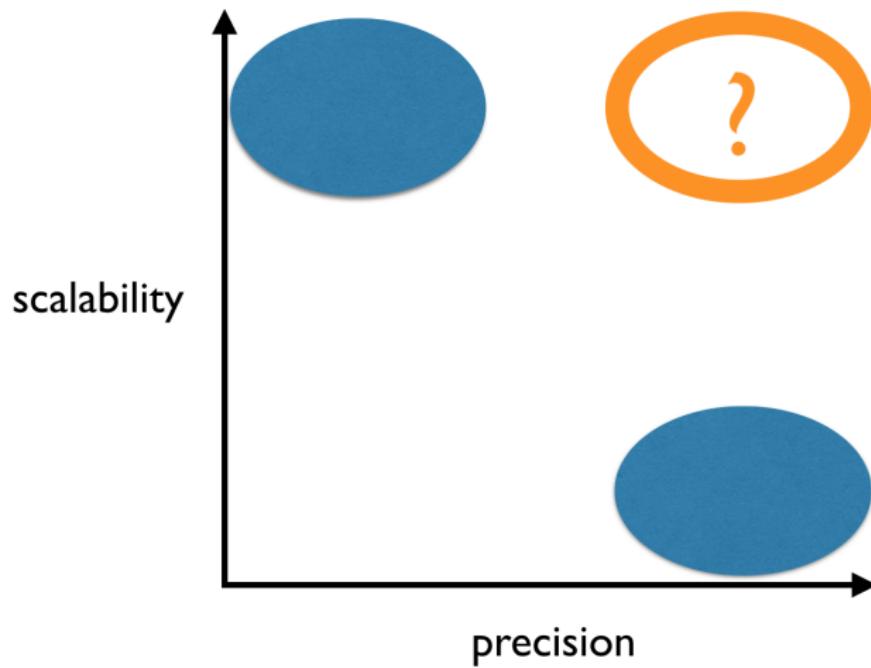
# Side-Stepping Undecidability

error states



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# Key Challenge in Static Analysis



# The While Language

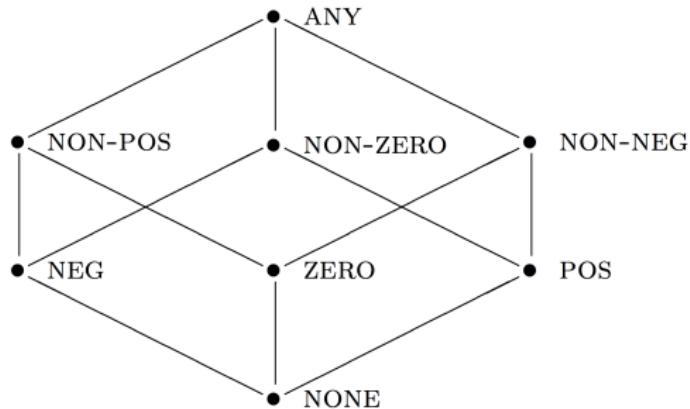
$$\begin{array}{lcl} a & \rightarrow & n \mid x \mid a_1 + a_2 \mid a_1 \star a_2 \mid a_1 - a_2 \\ b & \rightarrow & \text{true} \mid \text{false} \mid a_1 = a_2 \mid a_1 \leq a_2 \mid \neg b \mid b_1 \wedge b_2 \\ c & \rightarrow & x := a \mid \text{skip} \mid c_1; c_2 \mid \text{if } b \text{ } c_1 \text{ } c_2 \mid \text{while } b \text{ } c \end{array}$$

## Example 1: Sign Analysis

```
if ... then x := 1 else (S; x := 2); y := x
```

# Sign Domain

The complete lattice  $(\mathbf{Sign}, \sqsubseteq)$ :



The lattice is an abstraction of integers:

$$\alpha_Z : \wp(\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \mathbf{Sign}, \quad \gamma_Z : \mathbf{Sign} \rightarrow \wp(\mathbb{Z})$$

## Abstract States

The complete lattice of abstract states  $(\widehat{\text{State}}, \sqsubseteq)$ :

$$\widehat{\text{State}} = \text{Var} \rightarrow \text{Sign}$$

with the pointwise ordering:

$$\hat{s}_1 \sqsubseteq \hat{s}_2 \iff \forall x \in \text{Var}. \hat{s}_1(x) \sqsubseteq \hat{s}_2(x).$$

The least upper bound of  $Y \subseteq \widehat{\text{State}}$ ,

$$\bigsqcup Y = \lambda x. \bigsqcup_{\hat{s} \in Y} \hat{s}(x).$$

### Lemma

Let  $S$  be a non-empty set and  $(D, \sqsubseteq)$  be a poset. Then, the poset  $(S \rightarrow D, \sqsubseteq)$  with the ordering

$$f_1 \sqsubseteq f_2 \iff \forall s \in S. f_1(s) \sqsubseteq f_2(s)$$

is a complete lattice (resp., CPO) if  $D$  is a complete lattice (resp., CPO).

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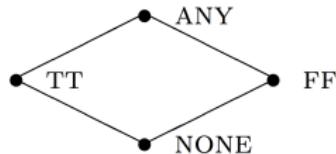
$$\alpha(S) = \lambda x. \bigsqcup_{s \in S} \alpha_Z(\{s(x)\})$$

$$\gamma : \widehat{\text{State}} \rightarrow \wp(\text{State})$$

$$\gamma(\hat{s}) = \{s \in \text{State} \mid \forall x \in \text{Var}. s(x) \in \gamma_Z(\hat{s}(x))\}$$

## Abstract Booleans

The truth values  $\mathbf{T} = \{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$  are abstracted by the complete lattice  $(\widehat{\mathbf{T}}, \sqsubseteq)$ :



The abstraction and concretization functions for the lattice:

$$\alpha_{\mathbf{T}} : \wp(\mathbf{T}) \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbf{T}}, \quad \gamma_{\mathbf{T}} : \widehat{\mathbf{T}} \rightarrow \wp(\mathbf{T})$$

# Abstract Semantics

$$\widehat{\mathcal{A}}[\![a]\!] : \widehat{\mathbf{State}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Sign}$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{A}}[\![n]\!](\hat{s}) = \alpha_Z(\{n\})$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{A}}[\![x]\!](\hat{s}) = \hat{s}(x)$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{A}}[\![a_1 + a_2]\!](\hat{s}) = \widehat{\mathcal{A}}[\![a_1]\!](\hat{s}) +_S \widehat{\mathcal{A}}[\![a_2]\!](\hat{s})$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{A}}[\![a_1 \star a_2]\!](\hat{s}) = \widehat{\mathcal{A}}[\![a_1]\!](\hat{s}) \star_S \widehat{\mathcal{A}}[\![a_2]\!](\hat{s})$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{A}}[\![a_1 - a_2]\!](\hat{s}) = \widehat{\mathcal{A}}[\![a_1]\!](\hat{s}) -_S \widehat{\mathcal{A}}[\![a_2]\!](\hat{s})$$

# Abstract Semantics

$+_S$	NONE	NEG	ZERO	POS	NON-POS	NON-ZERO	NON-NEG	ANY
NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE
NEG	NONE	NEG	NEG	ANY	NEG	ANY	ANY	ANY
ZERO	NONE	POS	ZERO	POS	NON-POS	NON-ZERO	NON-NEG	ANY
POS	NONE	ANY	POS	POS	ANY	ANY	POS	ANY
NON-POS	NONE	NEG	NON-POS	ANY	NON-POS	ANY	ANY	ANY
NON-ZERO	NONE	ANY	NON-ZERO	ANY	ANY	ANY	ANY	ANY
NON-NEG	NONE	ANY	NON-NEG	POS	ANY	ANY	NON-NEG	ANY
ANY	NONE	ANY	ANY	ANY	ANY	ANY	ANY	ANY

$\star_S$	NEG	ZERO	POS		$-_S$	NEG	ZERO	POS
NEG	POS	ZERO	NEG		NEG	ANY	NEG	NEG
ZERO	ZERO	ZERO	ZERO		ZERO	POS	ZERO	NEG
POS	NEG	ZERO	POS		POS	POS	POS	ANY

# Abstract Semantics

$$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}[\![b]\!] : \widehat{\text{State}} \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbf{T}}$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}[\![\text{true}]\!](\hat{s}) = \text{TT}$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}[\![\text{false}]\!](\hat{s}) = \text{FF}$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}[\![a_1 = a_2]\!](\hat{s}) = \widehat{\mathcal{B}}[\![a_1]\!](\hat{s}) =_S \widehat{\mathcal{B}}[\![a_2]\!](\hat{s})$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}[\![a_1 \leq a_2]\!](\hat{s}) = \widehat{\mathcal{B}}[\![a_1]\!](\hat{s}) \leq_S \widehat{\mathcal{B}}[\![a_2]\!](\hat{s})$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}[\![\neg b]\!](\hat{s}) = \neg_S \widehat{\mathcal{B}}[\![b]\!](\hat{s})$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}[\![b_1 \wedge b_2]\!](\hat{s}) = \widehat{\mathcal{B}}[\![b_1]\!](\hat{s}) \wedge_S \widehat{\mathcal{B}}[\![b_2]\!](\hat{s})$$

# Abstract Semantics

$=_S$	NEG	ZERO	POS
NEG	ANY	FF	FF
ZERO	FF	TT	FF
POS	FF	FF	ANY

$\leq_S$	NEG	ZERO	POS
NEG	ANY	TT	TT
ZERO	FF	TT	TT
POS	FF	FF	ANY

$\neg_T$	
NONE	NONE
TT	FF
FF	TT
ANY	ANY

$\wedge_T$	NONE	TT	FF	ANY
NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE
TT	NONE	TT	FF	ANY
FF	NONE	FF	FF	FF
ANY	NONE	ANY	FF	ANY

# Abstract Semantics

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\mathcal{C}}[\![c]\!] & : \widehat{\text{State}} \rightarrow \widehat{\text{State}} \\ \hat{\mathcal{C}}[\![x := a]\!] & = \lambda \hat{s}. \hat{s}[x \mapsto \hat{\mathcal{A}}[\![a]\!](\hat{s})] \\ \hat{\mathcal{C}}[\![\text{skip}]\!] & = \mathbf{id} \\ \hat{\mathcal{C}}[\![c_1; c_2]\!] & = \hat{\mathcal{C}}[\![c_2]\!] \circ \hat{\mathcal{C}}[\![c_1]\!] \\ \hat{\mathcal{C}}[\![\text{if } b \ c_1 \ c_2]\!] & = \widehat{\text{cond}}(\hat{\mathcal{B}}[\![b]\!], \hat{\mathcal{C}}[\![c_1]\!], \hat{\mathcal{C}}[\![c_2]\!]) \\ \hat{\mathcal{C}}[\![\text{while } b \ c]\!] & = \text{fix } \hat{F} \\ & \quad \text{where } \hat{F}(g) = \widehat{\text{cond}}(\hat{\mathcal{B}}[\![b]\!], g \circ \hat{\mathcal{C}}[\![c]\!], \mathbf{id}) \\ \widehat{\text{cond}}(f, g, h)(\hat{s}) & = \begin{cases} \perp & \cdots f(\hat{s}) = \text{NONE} \\ f(\hat{s}) & \cdots f(\hat{s}) = \text{TT} \\ g(\hat{s}) & \cdots f(\hat{s}) = \text{FF} \\ f(\hat{s}) \sqcup g(\hat{s}) & \cdots f(\hat{s}) = \text{ANY} \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

## Example

$y := 1; \text{while } x \neq 0 \ (y := y \star x; x := x - 1)$

## Example 2: Taint Analysis (Information Flow Analysis)

Can the information from the untrustworthy source be transferred to the sink?

```
x:=source(); ...; sink(y)
```

Applications to sw security:

- privacy leak
- SQL injection
- buffer overflow
- integer overflow
- XSS
- ...

## Abstract Domain

- The complete lattice of the abstract values  $(\widehat{\mathbf{T}}, \sqsubseteq)$ :

$$\widehat{\mathbf{T}} = \{\text{LOW}, \text{HIGH}\}$$

with the ordering  $\text{LOW} \sqsubseteq \text{HIGH}$ ,  $\text{LOW} \sqsubseteq \text{LOW}$ , and  $\text{HIGH} \sqsubseteq \text{HIGH}$ .

- The lattice of states:

$$\widehat{\mathbf{State}} = \mathbf{Var} \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbf{T}}$$

# Abstract Semantics

$$\widehat{\mathcal{A}}[a] : \widehat{\text{State}} \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbf{T}}$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{A}}[n](\hat{s}) = \begin{cases} \text{LOW} & \dots n \text{ is public} \\ \text{HIGH} & \dots n \text{ is private} \end{cases}$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{A}}[x](\hat{s}) = \hat{s}(x)$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{A}}[a_1 + a_2](\hat{s}) = \widehat{\mathcal{A}}[a_1](\hat{s}) \sqcup \widehat{\mathcal{A}}[a_2](\hat{s})$$

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$$\widehat{\mathcal{C}}[\![\text{skip}]\!] = \text{id}$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{C}}[\![c_1; c_2]\!] = \widehat{\mathcal{C}}[\![c_2]\!] \circ \widehat{\mathcal{C}}[\![c_1]\!]$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{C}}[\![\text{if } b \ c_1 \ c_2]\!] = \lambda \hat{s}. \widehat{\mathcal{C}}[\![c_1]\!](\hat{s}) \sqcup \widehat{\mathcal{C}}[\![c_2]\!](\hat{s})$$

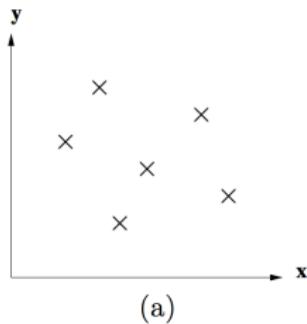
$$\widehat{\mathcal{C}}[\![\text{while } b \ c]\!] = \text{fix } \widehat{F}$$

$$\text{where } \widehat{F}(g) = \lambda \hat{s}. \hat{s} \sqcup (g \circ \widehat{\mathcal{C}}[\![c]\!])(\hat{s})$$

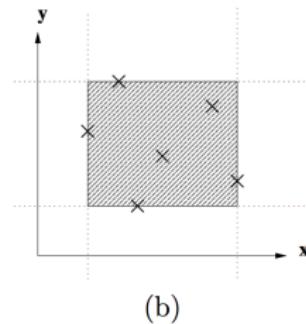
## Example 3: Interval Analysis

- ```
x = 0;
while (x < 10) {
    assert (x < 10);
    x++;
}
assert (x == 10);
```
- ```
x = 0;
y = 0;
while (x < 10) {
    assert (y < 10);
    x++; y++;
}
assert (y == 10);
```

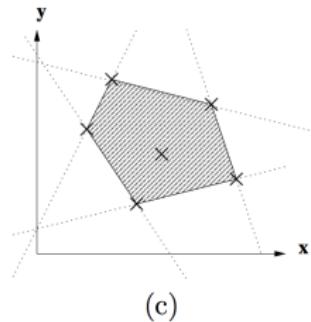
## cf) Numerical Abstractions



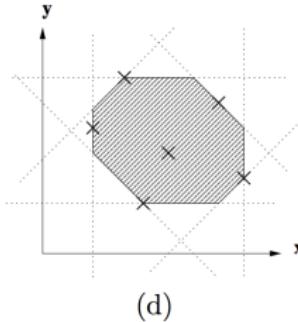
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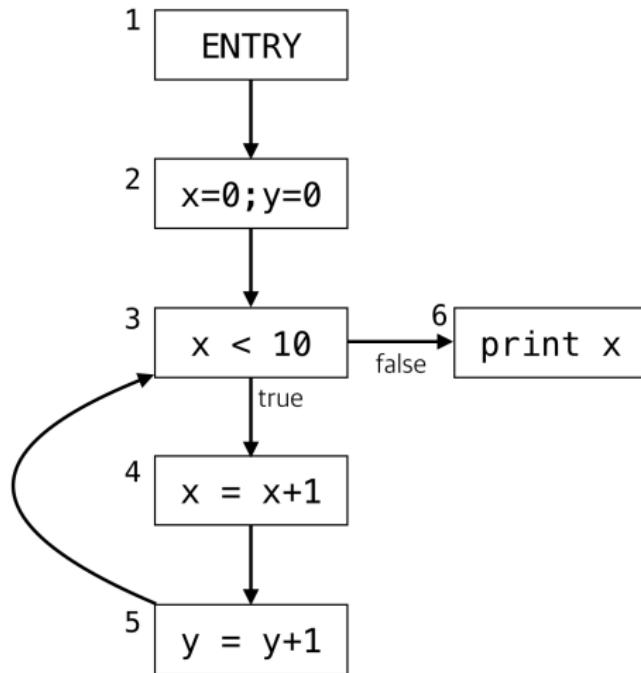
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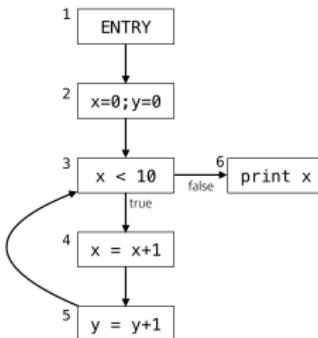
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## Example 3: Interval Analysis



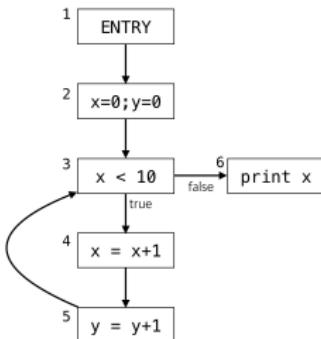
Node	Result
1	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$
2	$x \mapsto [0, 0]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$
3	$x \mapsto [0, 9]$ $y \mapsto [0, +\infty]$
4	$x \mapsto [1, 10]$ $y \mapsto [0, +\infty]$
5	$x \mapsto [1, 10]$ $y \mapsto [1, +\infty]$
6	$x \mapsto [10, 10]$ $y \mapsto [0, +\infty]$

# Fixed Point Computation Does Not Terminate



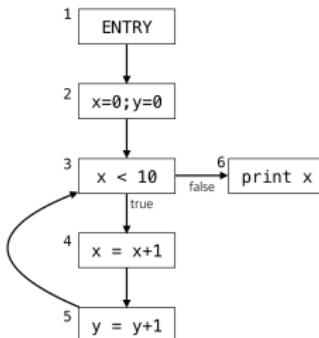
Node	initial	1	2	3	10	11	$k$	$\infty$
1	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$
2	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto [0, 0]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$	$x \mapsto [0, 0]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$	$x \mapsto [0, 0]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$	$x \mapsto [0, 0]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$			
3	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto [0, 0]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$	$x \mapsto [0, 1]$ $y \mapsto [0, 1]$	$x \mapsto [0, 2]$ $y \mapsto [0, 2]$	$x \mapsto [0, 9]$ $y \mapsto [0, 9]$	$x \mapsto [0, 9]$ $y \mapsto [0, 10]$	$x \mapsto [0, 9]$ $y \mapsto [0, k - 1]$	$x \mapsto [0, 9]$ $y \mapsto [0, +\infty]$
4	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto [1, 1]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$	$x \mapsto [1, 2]$ $y \mapsto [0, 1]$	$x \mapsto [1, 3]$ $y \mapsto [0, 2]$	$x \mapsto [1, 10]$ $y \mapsto [0, 9]$	$x \mapsto [1, 10]$ $y \mapsto [0, 10]$	$x \mapsto [1, 10]$ $y \mapsto [0, k - 1]$	$x \mapsto [1, 10]$ $y \mapsto [0, +\infty]$
5	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto [1, 1]$ $y \mapsto [1, 1]$	$x \mapsto [1, 2]$ $y \mapsto [1, 2]$	$x \mapsto [1, 3]$ $y \mapsto [1, 3]$	$x \mapsto [1, 10]$ $y \mapsto [1, 10]$	$x \mapsto [1, 10]$ $y \mapsto [1, 11]$	$x \mapsto [1, 10]$ $y \mapsto [1, k]$	$x \mapsto [1, 10]$ $y \mapsto [1, +\infty]$
6	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto [0, 1]$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto [0, 2]$	$x \mapsto [10, 10]$ $y \mapsto [0, 9]$	$x \mapsto [10, 10]$ $y \mapsto [0, 10]$	$x \mapsto [10, 10]$ $y \mapsto [0, k - 1]$	$x \mapsto [10, 10]$ $y \mapsto [0, +\infty]$

# Fixed Point Computation with Widening and Narrowing



Node	initial	1	2	3
1	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$
2	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto [0, 0]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$	$x \mapsto [0, 0]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$	$x \mapsto [0, 0]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$
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4	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto [1, 1]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$	$x \mapsto [1, 10]$ $y \mapsto [0, +\infty]$	$x \mapsto [1, 10]$ $y \mapsto [0, +\infty]$
5	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto [1, 1]$ $y \mapsto [1, 1]$	$x \mapsto [1, 10]$ $y \mapsto [1, +\infty]$	$x \mapsto [1, 10]$ $y \mapsto [1, +\infty]$
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# Fixed Point Computation with Widening and Narrowing



Node	initial	1	2
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# Programs

A program is represented by a control-flow graph:

$$(\mathbb{C}, \rightarrow)$$

- $\mathbb{C}$ : the set of program points (i.e., nodes) in the program
- $(\rightarrow) \subseteq \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}$ : the control-flow relation
  - ▶  $c \rightarrow c'$ :  $c$  is a predecessor of  $c'$
- Each program point  $c$  is associated with a command, denoted  $\text{cmd}(c)$

$$\begin{array}{ll}\text{cmd} & \rightarrow \quad \text{skip} \mid x := e \mid x < n \\ e & \rightarrow \quad n \mid x \mid e + e \mid e - e \mid e * e \mid e / e\end{array}$$

# Interval Domain

- Definition:

$$\mathbb{I} = \{\perp\} \cup \{[l, u] \mid l, u \in \mathbb{Z} \cup \{-\infty, +\infty\} \wedge l \leq u\}$$

- An interval is an abstraction of a set of integers:

- ▶  $\gamma([1, 5]) =$
- ▶  $\gamma([3, 3]) =$
- ▶  $\gamma([0, +\infty]) =$
- ▶  $\gamma([-\infty, 7]) =$
- ▶  $\gamma(\perp) =$

# Concretization/Abstraction Functions

- $\gamma : \mathbb{I} \rightarrow \wp(\mathbb{Z})$  is called *concretization function*:

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma(\perp) &= \emptyset \\ \gamma([a, b]) &= \{z \in \mathbb{Z} \mid a \leq z \leq b\}\end{aligned}$$

- $\alpha : \wp(\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \mathbb{I}$  is *abstraction function*:

- ▶  $\alpha(\{2\}) =$
- ▶  $\alpha(\{-1, 0, 1, 2, 3\}) =$
- ▶  $\alpha(\{-1, 3\}) =$
- ▶  $\alpha(\{1, 2, \dots\}) =$
- ▶  $\alpha(\emptyset) =$
- ▶  $\alpha(\mathbb{Z}) =$

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha(\emptyset) &= \perp \\ \alpha(S) &= [\min(S), \max(S)]\end{aligned}$$

## Partial Order ( $\sqsubseteq$ ) $\subseteq \mathbb{I} \times \mathbb{I}$

- $\perp \sqsubseteq i$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{I}$
- $i \sqsubseteq [-\infty, +\infty]$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{I}$ .
- $[1, 3] \sqsubseteq [0, 4]$
- $[1, 3] \not\sqsubseteq [0, 2]$

Definition:

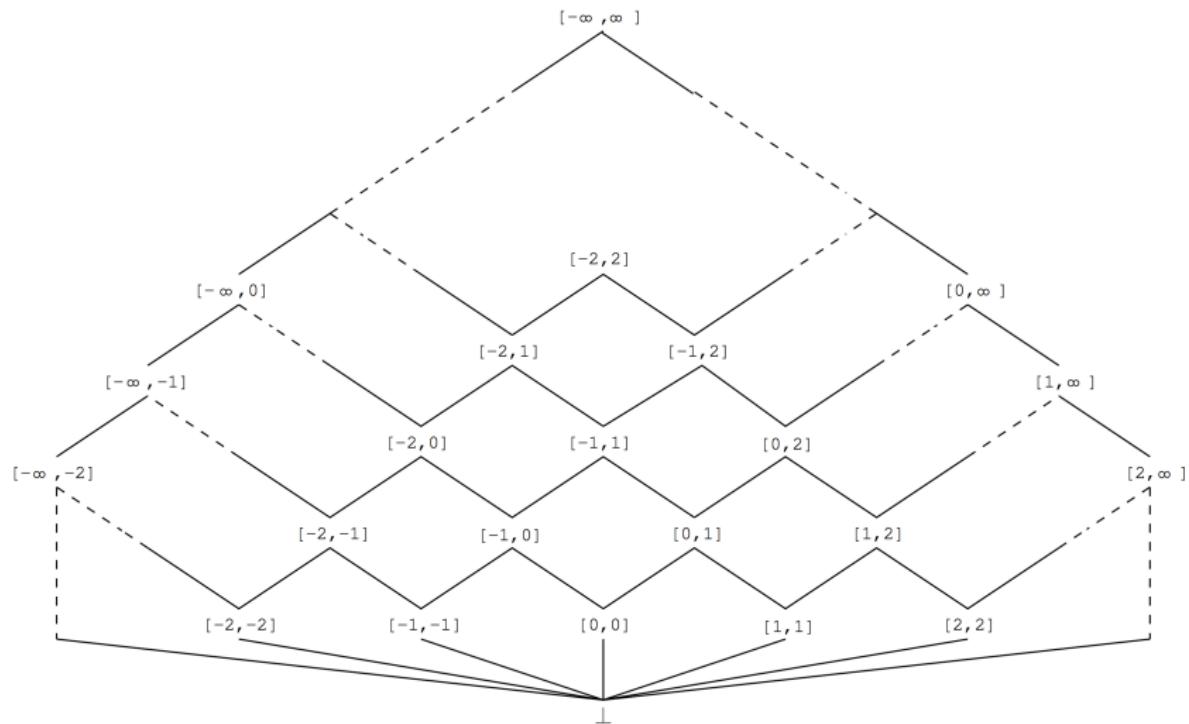
- Mathematical:

$$i_1 \sqsubseteq i_2 \text{ iff } \gamma(i_1) \subseteq \gamma(i_2)$$

- Implementable:

$$i_1 \sqsubseteq i_2 \text{ iff } \begin{cases} i_1 = \perp \vee \\ i_2 = [-\infty, +\infty] \vee \\ (i_1 = [l_1, u_1] \wedge i_2 = [l_2, u_2] \wedge l_1 \geq l_2 \wedge u_1 \leq u_2) \end{cases}$$

# Partial Order



## Join $\sqcup$ and Meet $\sqcap$ Operators

- The join operator computes the *least upper bound*:
  - ▶  $[1, 3] \sqcup [2, 4] = [1, 4]$
  - ▶  $[1, 3] \sqcup [7, 9] = [1, 9]$
- The conditions of  $i_1 \sqcup i_2$ :
  - ①  $i_1 \sqsubseteq i_1 \sqcup i_2 \wedge i_2 \sqsubseteq i_1 \sqcup i_2$
  - ②  $\forall i. i_1 \sqsubseteq i \wedge i_2 \sqsubseteq i \implies i_1 \sqcup i_2 \sqsubseteq i$
- Definition:

$$i_1 \sqcup i_2 = \alpha(\gamma(i_1) \cup \gamma(i_2))$$

$$\perp \sqcup i = i$$

$$i \sqcup \perp = i$$

$$[l_1, u_1] \sqcup [l_2, u_2] = [\min(l_1, l_2), \max(u_1, u_2)]$$

## Join $\sqcup$ and Meet $\sqcap$ Operators

- The meet operator computes the *greatest lower bound*:
  - ▶  $[1, 3] \sqcap [2, 4] = [2, 3]$
  - ▶  $[1, 3] \sqcap [7, 9] = \perp$
- The conditions of  $i_1 \sqcap i_2$ :
  - ①  $i_1 \sqsubseteq i_1 \sqcup i_2 \wedge i_2 \sqsubseteq i_1 \sqcup i_2$
  - ②  $\forall i. i \sqsubseteq i_1 \wedge i \sqsubseteq i_2 \implies i \sqsubseteq i_1 \sqcap i_2$
- Definition:

$$i_1 \sqcap i_2 = \alpha(\gamma(i_1) \cap \gamma(i_2))$$

$$\begin{aligned}\perp \sqcap i &= \perp \\ i \sqcap \perp &= \perp \\ [l_1, u_1] \sqcap [l_2, u_2] &= \begin{cases} \perp & \max(l_1, l_2) > \min(u_1, u_2) \\ [\max(l_1, l_2), \min(u_1, u_2)] & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

## Widening and Narrowing

A simple widening operator for the Interval domain:

$$[a, b] \quad \nabla \quad \perp = [a, b]$$

$$\perp \quad \nabla \quad [c, d] = [c, d]$$

$$[a, b] \quad \nabla \quad [c, d] = [(c < a? -\infty : a), (b < d? +\infty : b)]$$

A simple narrowing operator:

$$[a, b] \quad \Delta \quad \perp = \perp$$

$$\perp \quad \Delta \quad [c, d] = \perp$$

$$[a, b] \quad \Delta \quad [c, d] = [(a = -\infty? c : a), (b = +\infty? d : b)]$$

# Abstract States

$$\mathbb{S} = \mathbf{Var} \rightarrow \mathbb{I}$$

Partial order, join, meet, widening, and narrowing are lifted pointwise:

$$s_1 \sqsubseteq s_2 \text{ iff } \forall x \in \mathbf{Var}. \ s_1(x) \sqsubseteq s_2(x)$$

$$s_1 \sqcup s_2 = \lambda x. \ s_1(x) \sqcup s_2(x)$$

$$s_1 \sqcap s_2 = \lambda x. \ s_1(x) \sqcap s_2(x)$$

$$s_1 \sqtriangledown s_2 = \lambda x. \ s_1(x) \sqtriangledown s_2(x)$$

$$s_1 \sqtriangle s_2 = \lambda x. \ s_1(x) \sqtriangle s_2(x)$$

# The Abstract Domain

$$\mathbb{D} = \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}$$

Partial order, join, meet, widening, and narrowing are lifted pointwise:

$$d_1 \sqsubseteq d_2 \text{ iff } \forall c \in \mathbb{C}. d_1(c) \sqsubseteq d_2(c)$$

$$d_1 \sqcup d_2 = \lambda c. d_1(c) \sqcup d_2(c)$$

$$d_1 \sqcap d_2 = \lambda c. d_1(c) \sqcap d_2(c)$$

$$d_1 \triangledown d_2 = \lambda c. d_1(c) \triangledown d_2(c)$$

$$d_1 \triangle d_2 = \lambda c. d_1(c) \triangle d_2(c)$$

# Abstract Semantics of Expressions

$$e \rightarrow n \mid x \mid e + e \mid e - e \mid e * e \mid e/e$$

$$\text{eval} : e \times \mathbb{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{I}$$

$$\text{eval}(n, s) = [n, n]$$

$$\text{eval}(x, s) = s(x)$$

$$\text{eval}(e_1 + e_2, s) = \text{eval}(e_1, s) \hat{+} \text{eval}(e_2, s)$$

$$\text{eval}(e_1 - e_2, s) = \text{eval}(e_1, s) \hat{-} \text{eval}(e_2, s)$$

$$\text{eval}(e_1 * e_2, s) = \text{eval}(e_1, s) \hat{*} \text{eval}(e_2, s)$$

$$\text{eval}(e_1 / e_2, s) = \text{eval}(e_1, s) \hat{/} \text{eval}(e_2, s)$$

## Abstract Binary Operators

$$\begin{aligned} i_1 \hat{+} i_2 &= \alpha(\{z_1 + z_2 \mid z_1 \in \gamma(i_1) \wedge z_2 \in \gamma(i_2)\}) \\ i_1 \hat{-} i_2 &= \alpha(\{z_1 - z_2 \mid z_1 \in \gamma(i_1) \wedge z_2 \in \gamma(i_2)\}) \\ i_1 \hat{*} i_2 &= \alpha(\{z_1 * z_2 \mid z_1 \in \gamma(i_1) \wedge z_2 \in \gamma(i_2)\}) \\ i_1 \hat{/} i_2 &= \alpha(\{z_1 / z_2 \mid z_1 \in \gamma(i_1) \wedge z_2 \in \gamma(i_2)\}) \end{aligned}$$

Implementable version:

$$\begin{aligned} \perp \hat{+} i &= \\ i \hat{+} \perp &= \\ [l_1, u_1] \hat{+} [l_2, u_2] &= \\ [l_1, u_1] \hat{-} [l_2, u_2] &= \\ [l_1, u_1] \hat{*} [l_2, u_2] &= \\ [l_1, u_1] \hat{/} [l_2, u_2] &= \end{aligned}$$

# Abstract Execution of Commands

$$f_c : \mathbb{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}$$

$$f_c(s) = \begin{cases} s & \mathbf{cmd}(c) = \text{skip} \\ [x \mapsto \text{eval}(e, s)]s & \mathbf{cmd}(c) = x := e \\ [x \mapsto s(x) \sqcap [-\infty, n - 1]]s & \mathbf{cmd}(c) = x < n \end{cases}$$

# Fixed Point Equation

We aim to compute

$$X : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}$$

such that

$$X = \lambda c. f_c(\bigsqcup_{c' \rightarrow c} X(c'))$$

In fixed point form:

$$X = F(X)$$

where

$$F(X) = \lambda c. f_c(\bigsqcup_{c' \rightarrow c} X(c'))$$

The solution of the equation is a fixed point of

$$F : (\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{S})$$

## Fixed Point Computation

The least fixed point computation may not converge:

$$\text{fix } F = \bigsqcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} F^i(\perp) = F^0(\perp) \sqcup F^1(\perp) \sqcup F^2(\perp) \sqcup \dots$$

Instead, we aim to find a (not necessarily least) fixed point with widening and narrowing:

- ① widening iteration:

$$\begin{aligned} X_0 &= \perp \\ X_i &= \begin{cases} X_{i-1} & \text{if } F(X_{i-1}) \sqsubseteq X_{i-1} \\ X_{i-1} \triangleright F(X_{i-1}) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

- ② narrowing iteration:

$$Y_i = \begin{cases} \hat{A} & \text{if } i = 0 \\ Y_{i-1} \triangle F(Y_{i-1}) & \text{if } i > 0 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

( $\hat{A}$  is the result from the widening iteration, i.e.,  $\lim_i X_i$ )

# Need for Static Analysis Theory

Static analyses so far are based on our intuition. Questions remain:

- How to ensure that the abstract semantics is sound?
- How to ensure the soundness of widening and narrowing?
- How to ensure the termination of widening and narrowing?

Next: Abstract Interpretation Theory