

AAA616: Program Analysis

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

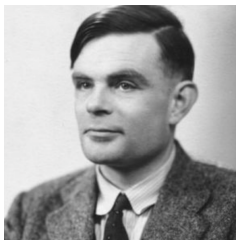
- “before”: statically, without running sw
- “automatic”: sw analyzes sw
- “sound”: all possibilities into account
- “approximation”: cannot be exact
- “general”: for any source language and property
 - ▶ C, C++, C#, F#, Java, JavaScript, ML, Scala, Python, JVM, Dalvik, x86, Excel, etc
 - ▶ “buffer-overflow?”, “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.,

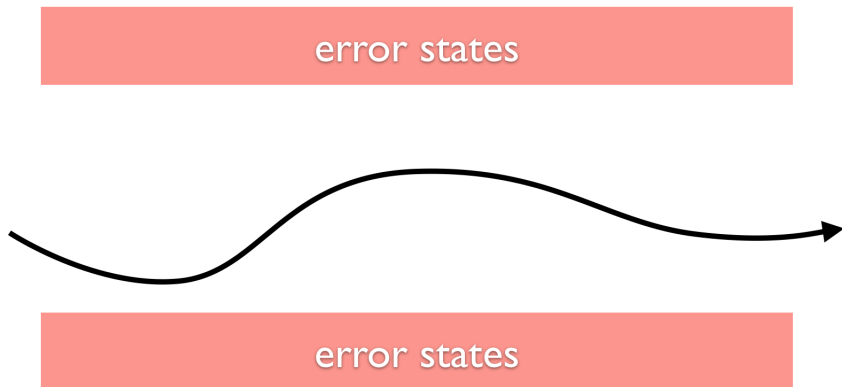
if ... then $x := 1$ else $(S; x := 2); y := x$

(S does not define x .) What are the possible values of x at the last statement?

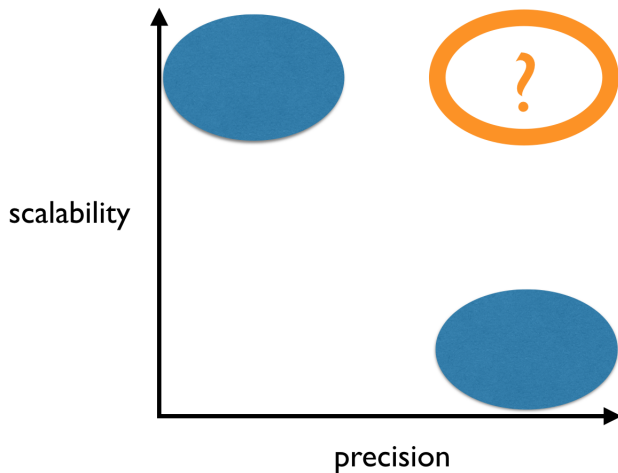


Alan Turing (1912–1954)

Side-Stepping Undecidability



Tradeoff between Precision and Scalability



The While Language

$a \rightarrow n \mid x \mid a_1 + a_2 \mid a_1 \star a_2 \mid a_1 - a_2$

$b \rightarrow \text{true} \mid \text{false} \mid a_1 = a_2 \mid a_1 \leq a_2 \mid \neg b \mid b_1 \wedge b_2$

$c \rightarrow x := a \mid \text{skip} \mid c_1; c_2 \mid \text{if } b \text{ } c_1 \text{ } c_2 \mid \text{while } b \text{ } c$

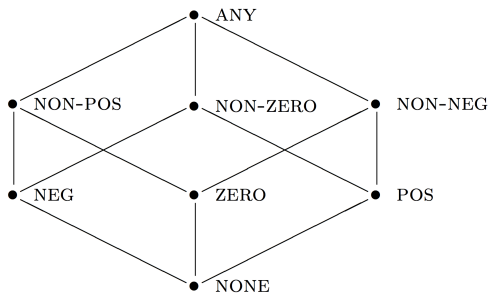
Example 1: Sign Analysis

Execute the program with abstract values (**POS**, **NEG**, **0**, \top , \perp):

```
// a >= 0, b >= 0
int mod (int a, int b) {
    int q = 0;
    int r = a;
    while (r >= b) {
        r = r - b;
        q = q + 1;
    }
    return r;
}
```

Sign Domain

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



The lattice is an abstraction of integers:

$$\alpha_{\mathbb{Z}} : \wp(\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \mathbf{Sign}, \quad \gamma_{\mathbb{Z}} : \mathbf{Sign} \rightarrow \wp(\mathbb{Z})$$

Abstract States

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

$$\widehat{\mathbf{State}} = \mathit{Var} \rightarrow \mathbf{Sign}$$

with the pointwise ordering:

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

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

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

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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$$\alpha : \wp(\mathbf{State}) \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbf{State}}$$

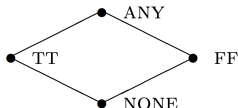
$$\alpha(S) = \lambda x. \bigsqcup_{s \in S} \alpha_{\mathbb{Z}}(\{s(x)\})$$

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

$$\gamma(\hat{s}) = \{s \in \mathbf{State} \mid \forall x \in \mathit{Var}. s(x) \in \gamma_{\mathbb{Z}}(\hat{s}(x))\}$$

Abstract Booleans

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



The abstraction and concretization functions for the lattice:

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

Abstract Semantics

$$\widehat{\mathcal{A}}[a] \quad : \quad \widehat{\text{State}} \rightarrow \text{Sign}$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{A}}[n](\hat{s}) = \alpha_{\mathbb{Z}}(\{n\})$$

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

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

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

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

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
NEG	POS	ZERO	NEG
ZERO	ZERO	ZERO	ZERO
POS	NEG	ZERO	POS

$-_S$	NEG	ZERO	POS
NEG	ANY	NEG	NEG
ZERO	POS	ZERO	NEG
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

$$\widehat{\mathcal{C}}[c] : \widehat{\text{State}} \rightarrow \widehat{\text{State}}$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{C}}[x := a] = \lambda \hat{s}. \hat{s}[x \mapsto \widehat{\mathcal{A}}[a](\hat{s})]$$

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

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

$$\widehat{\mathcal{C}}[\text{if } b \ c_1 \ c_2] = \widehat{\text{cond}}(\widehat{\mathcal{B}}[b], \widehat{\mathcal{C}}[c_1], \widehat{\mathcal{C}}[c_2])$$

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

$$\text{where } \widehat{F}(g) = \widehat{\text{cond}}(\widehat{\mathcal{B}}[b], g \circ \widehat{\mathcal{C}}[c], \text{id})$$

$$\widehat{\text{cond}}(f, g, h)(\hat{s}) = \begin{cases} \perp & \dots f(\hat{s}) = \text{NONE} \\ f(\hat{s}) & \dots f(\hat{s}) = \text{TT} \\ g(\hat{s}) & \dots f(\hat{s}) = \text{FF} \\ f(\hat{s}) \sqcup g(\hat{s}) & \dots f(\hat{s}) = \text{ANY} \end{cases}$$

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:

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

Abstract Semantics

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

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

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

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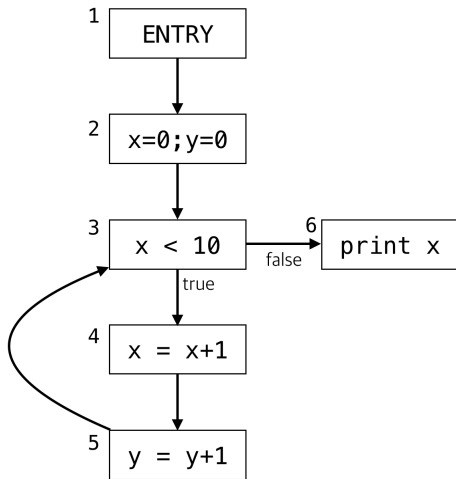
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$$\text{where } \widehat{F}(g) = \lambda \hat{s}. \hat{s} \sqcup (g \circ \widehat{\mathcal{C}}[c])(\hat{s})$$

Example 3: Interval Analysis

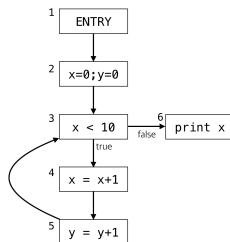
- ```
x = 0;
while (x < 10) {
 assert (x < 10);
 x++;
}
assert (x == 10);
```
- ```
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y = 0;
while (x < 10) {
    assert (y < 10);
    x++; y++;
}
assert (y == 10);
```

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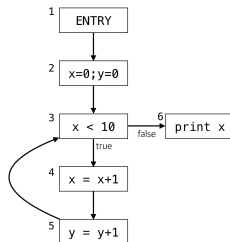
Node	Result
1	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$
2	$x \mapsto [0, 0]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$
3	$x \mapsto [0, 9]$ $y \mapsto [0, +\infty]$
4	$x \mapsto [1, 10]$ $y \mapsto [0, +\infty]$
5	$x \mapsto [1, 10]$ $y \mapsto [1, +\infty]$
6	$x \mapsto [10, 10]$ $y \mapsto [0, +\infty]$

Fixed Point Computation Does Not Terminate



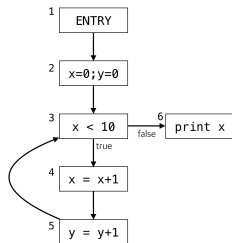
Node	initial	1	2	3	10	11	k	∞
1	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$
2	$x \mapsto \perp$ $y \mapsto \perp$	$x \mapsto [0, 0]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$	$x \mapsto [0, 0]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$	$x \mapsto [0, 0]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$	$x \mapsto [0, 0]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$	$x \mapsto [0, 0]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$	$x \mapsto [0, 0]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$	$x \mapsto [0, 0]$ $y \mapsto [0, 0]$
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



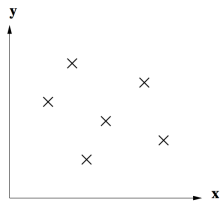
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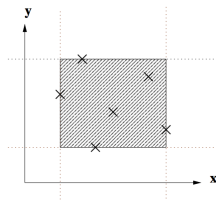


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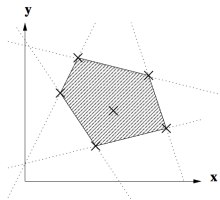
cf) Numerical Abstractions



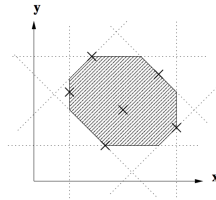
(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)

(image from The Octagon Abstract Domain by Antonine Mine)

Interval vs. Octagon

```
i = 0;  
p = 0;  
  
while (i < 12) {  
    i = i + 1;  
    p = p + 1;  
}  
assert(i==p)
```

Interval analysis

i	[12,12]
p	[0,+∞]

Octagon analysis

i	[12,12]
p	[12,12]
p-i	[0,0]
p+i	[24,24]