

Static Program Analysis

Lecture 20: Extensions II

(Interprocedural Dataflow Analysis – Fixpoint Solution)

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Extending the Syntax

Syntactic categories:

Category	Domain	Meta variable
Procedure identifiers	$PVar = \{P, Q, \dots\}$	P
Procedure declarations	$PDec$	p
Commands (statements)	Cmd	c

Context-free grammar:

$$\begin{aligned} p &::= \text{proc } [P(\text{val } x, \text{res } y)]^{l_n} \text{ is } c \text{ [end]}^{l_x}; p \mid \varepsilon \in PDec \\ c &::= [\text{skip}]^l \mid [x := a]^l \mid c_1; c_2 \mid \text{if } [b]^l \text{ then } c_1 \text{ else } c_2 \mid \\ &\quad \text{while } [b]^l \text{ do } c \mid [\text{call } P(a, x)]_{l_r}^{l_c} \in Cmd \end{aligned}$$

- All labels and procedure names in **program** p c distinct
- In $\text{proc } [P(\text{val } x, \text{res } y)]^{l_n} \text{ is } c \text{ [end]}^{l_x}$, l_n (l_x) refers to the **entry** (**exit**) of P
- In $[\text{call } P(a, x)]_{l_r}^{l_c}$, l_c (l_r) refers to the **call** of (**return** from) P
- First parameter **call-by-value**, second **call-by-result**

Definition (Procedure flow graphs)

The auxiliary functions **init**, **final**, and **flow** are extended as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{init}(\text{proc } [P(\text{val } x, \text{res } y)]^{l_n} \text{ is } c \text{ [end]}^{l_x}) &:= l_n \\ \text{final}(\text{proc } [P(\text{val } x, \text{res } y)]^{l_n} \text{ is } c \text{ [end]}^{l_x}) &:= \{l_x\} \\ \text{flow}(\text{proc } [P(\text{val } x, \text{res } y)]^{l_n} \text{ is } c \text{ [end]}^{l_x}) &:= \{(l_n, \text{init}(c))\} \\ &\quad \cup \text{flow}(c) \\ &\quad \cup \{(l, l_x) \mid l \in \text{final}(c)\} \\ \text{init}([\text{call } P(a, x)]_{l_r}^{l_c}) &:= l_c \\ \text{final}([\text{call } P(a, x)]_{l_r}^{l_c}) &:= \{l_r\} \\ \text{flow}([\text{call } P(a, x)]_{l_r}^{l_c}) &:= \{(l_c; l_n), (l_x; l_r)\}\end{aligned}$$

if $\text{proc } [P(\text{val } x, \text{res } y)]^{l_n} \text{ is } c \text{ [end]}^{l_x}$ is in p .

Moreover the **interprocedural flow** of a program p is defined by

$$\begin{aligned}\text{iflow} &:= \{(l_c, l_n, l_x, l_r) \mid p \text{ contains } [\text{call } P(a, x)]_{l_r}^{l_c} \text{ and} \\ &\quad \text{proc } [P(\text{val } x, \text{res } y)]^{l_n} \text{ is } c \text{ [end]}^{l_x} \subseteq L^4\end{aligned}$$

- **Attempt:** directly transfer techniques from intraprocedural analysis
 $\implies$ treat $(l_c; l_n)$ like (l_c, l_n) and $(l_x; l_r)$ like (l_x, l_r)
- Given: dataflow system $S = (L, E, F, (D, \sqsubseteq), \iota, \varphi)$
- For each procedure call $[\text{call } P(a, x)]_{l_r}^{l_c}$:
transfer functions $\varphi_{l_c}, \varphi_{l_r} : D \rightarrow D$ (definition later)
- For each procedure declaration $\text{proc } [P(\text{val } x, \text{res } y)]_{l_n}^{\text{is } c} [\text{end}]_{l_x}$:
transfer functions $\varphi_{l_n}, \varphi_{l_x} : D \rightarrow D$ (definition later)
- Induces equation system
$$AI_l = \begin{cases} \iota & \text{if } l \in E \\ \bigsqcup \{ \varphi_{l'}(AI_{l'}) \mid (l', l) \in F \text{ or } (l'; l) \in F \} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
- **Problem:** procedure calls $(l_c; l_n)$ and procedure returns $(l_x; l_r)$ treated like goto's
 - $\implies$ nesting of calls and returns ignored
 - $\implies$ too many paths
 - $\implies$ analysis information imprecise (but still correct)

- Consider only paths with **correct nesting** of procedure calls and returns
- Will yield **MVP** solution (**Meet over all Valid Paths**)

Definition (Valid paths I)

Given a dataflow system $S = (L, E, F, (D, \sqsubseteq), \iota, \varphi)$ and $l_1, l_2 \in L$, the set of **valid paths from l_1 to l_2** is generated by the nonterminal symbol $P[l_1, l_2]$ according to the following productions:

$$\begin{array}{ll} P[l_1, l_2] \rightarrow l_1 & \text{whenever } l_1 = l_2 \\ P[l_1, l_3] \rightarrow l_1, P[l_2, l_3] & \text{whenever } (l_1, l_2) \in F \\ P[l_c, l] \rightarrow l_c, P[l_n, l_x], P[l_r, l] & \text{whenever } (l_c, l_n, l_x, l_r) \in \text{iflow} \end{array}$$

Definition (Valid paths II)

Let $S = (L, E, F, (D, \sqsubseteq), \iota, \varphi)$ be a dataflow system. For every $l \in L$, the set of **valid paths up to l** is given by

$$VPath(l) := \{[l_1, \dots, l_{k-1}] \mid k \geq 1, l_1 \in E, l_k = l, \\ [l_1, \dots, l_k] \text{ valid path from } l_1 \text{ to } l_k\}.$$

For a path $p = [l_1, \dots, l_{k-1}] \in VPath(l)$, we define the **transfer function** $\varphi_p : D \rightarrow D$ by

$$\varphi_p := \varphi_{l_{k-1}} \circ \dots \circ \varphi_{l_1} \circ \text{id}_D$$

(so that $\varphi_{[]} = \text{id}_D$).

The MVP Solution II

Definition (MVP solution)

Let $S = (L, E, F, (D, \sqsubseteq), \iota, \varphi)$ be a dataflow system where $L = \{l_1, \dots, l_n\}$. The **MVP solution** for S is determined by

$$\text{mvp}(S) := (\text{mvp}(l_1), \dots, \text{mvp}(l_n)) \in D^n$$

where, for every $l \in L$,

$$\text{mvp}(l) := \bigsqcup \{ \varphi_p(\iota) \mid p \in V\text{Path}(l) \}.$$

Corollary

- 1 $\text{mvp}(S) \sqsubseteq \text{mop}(S)$
- 2 *The MVP solution is undecidable.*

Proof.

- 1 since $V\text{Path}(l) \subseteq \text{Path}(l)$ for every $l \in L$
- 2 since $\text{mvp}(S) = \text{mop}(S)$ in intraprocedural case, and by undecidability of MOP solution (cf. Theorem 6.2)



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Definition 20.1 (Interprocedural extension (forward analysis))

Let $S = (L, E, F, (D, \sqsubseteq), \iota, \varphi)$ be a dataflow system. The **interprocedural extension** of S is given by

$$\hat{S} := (L, E, F, (\hat{D}, \hat{\sqsubseteq}), \hat{\iota}, \hat{\varphi})$$

where

- $\hat{D} := D^+$
- $d_1 \dots d_n \hat{\sqsubseteq} d'_1 \dots d'_n$ iff $d_i \sqsubseteq d'_i$ for every $1 \leq i \leq n$
- $\hat{\iota} := \iota \in D^+$
- $\hat{\varphi}_I : D^+ \rightarrow D^+$ where
 - for each $I \in L \setminus \{l_c, l_r \mid (l_c, l_n, l_x, l_r) \in \text{iflow}\}$:

$$\hat{\varphi}_I(dw) := \varphi_I(d)w$$

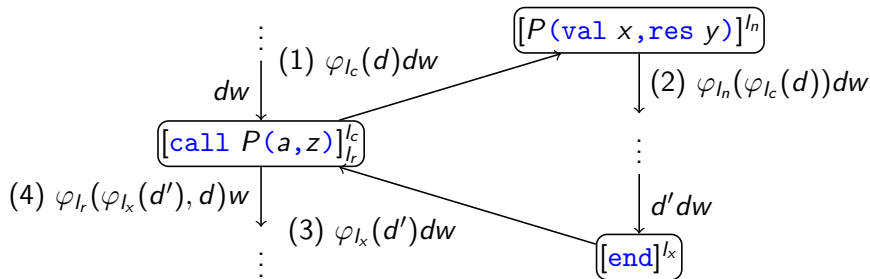
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Visualization of

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- 2 $\hat{\varphi}_{I_n}(d'dw) := \varphi_{I_n}(d')dw$
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 - **call/entry:** set input/reset output parameter

$$\varphi_{l_c}(\delta) := \delta[x \mapsto \text{val}_\delta(a), y \mapsto \top], \quad \varphi_{l_n}(\delta) := \delta$$
 - **exit/return:** reset parameters/set return value

$$\varphi_{l_x}(\delta) := \delta, \quad \varphi_{l_r}(\delta', \delta) := \delta'[x \mapsto \delta(x), y \mapsto \delta(y), z \mapsto \delta'(y)]$$

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The Equation System I

For an interprocedural dataflow system $\hat{S} := (L, E, F, (\hat{D}, \hat{\sqsubseteq}), \hat{l}, \hat{\phi})$, the **intraprocedural equation system** (cf. Definition 4.9)

$$AI_I = \begin{cases} \iota & \text{if } I \in E \\ \bigsqcup \{\varphi_{I'}(AI_{I'}) \mid (I', I) \in F\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

is **extended** to a system with three kinds of equations (for every $I \in L$):

- for **actual dataflow information**: $AI_I \in D^+$
(counterpart of intraprocedural AI)
- for **transfer functions of single nodes**: $f_I : D^+ \rightarrow D^+$
(extension of intraprocedural transfer functions with special handling of procedure calls)
- for **transfer functions of complete procedures**: $F_I : D^+ \rightarrow D^+$
($F_I(w)$ yields information at I if surrounding procedure is called with information $w \implies$ complete procedure represented by F_{I_x})

The Equation System II

Formal definition – dataflow equations:

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As before: induces monotonic functional on lattice with ACC

$\implies$ **least fixpoint effectively computable**

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Fixpoint iteration:

on the board

The Fixpoint Iteration

For the fixpoint iteration it is important that the auxiliary functions only operate on the topmost element of the stack:

Lemma 20.4

For every $l \in L$, $d \in D$, and $w \in D^*$,

$$f_l(dw) = f_l(d)w \text{ and } F_l(dw) = F_l(d)w$$

Proof.

see J. Knoop, B. Steffen: *The Interprocedural Coincidence Theorem*, Proc. CC '92, LNCS 641, Springer, 1992, 125–140 □

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The following results carry over from the intraprocedural case:

Theorem 20.5

Let $\hat{S} := (L, E, F, (\hat{D}, \hat{\sqsubseteq}), \hat{l}, \hat{\varphi})$ be an interprocedural dataflow system.

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- **Alternative:** **context-sensitive** analysis
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 - more **precise**
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