

Static Program Analysis

Lecture 5: Dataflow Analysis IV

(Worklist Algorithm & MOP Solution)

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Definition (Dataflow system)

A **dataflow system** $S = (L, E, F, (D, \sqsubseteq), \iota, \varphi)$ consists of

- a finite set of (program) **labels** L (here: L_c),
- a set of **extremal labels** $E \subseteq L$ (here: $\{\text{init}(c)\}$ or $\text{final}(c)$),
- a **flow relation** $F \subseteq L \times L$ (here: $\text{flow}(c)$ or $\text{flow}^R(c)$),
- a **complete lattice** (D, \sqsubseteq) that satisfies ACC
(with LUB operator \sqcup and least element \perp),
- an **extremal value** $\iota \in D$ (for the extremal labels), and
- a collection of **monotonic transfer functions** $\{\varphi_I \mid I \in L\}$ of type
 $\varphi_I : D \rightarrow D$.

Definition (Dataflow equation system)

Given: dataflow system $S = (L, E, F, (D, \sqsubseteq), \iota, \varphi)$, $L = \{1, \dots, n\}$ (w.l.o.g.)

- S determines the **equation system** (where $I \in L$)

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

- $(d_1, \dots, d_n) \in D^n$ is called a **solution** if

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- S determines the **transformation**

$$\Phi_S : D^n \rightarrow D^n : (d_1, \dots, d_n) \mapsto (d'_1, \dots, d'_n)$$

where

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

Corollary

$(d_1, \dots, d_n) \in D^n$ **solves** the equation system iff it is a **fixpoint** of Φ_S

The Fixpoint Theorem



Alfred Tarski (1901–1983)



Bronislaw Knaster (1893–1990)

Theorem (Fixpoint Theorem by Tarski and Knaster)

Let (D, \sqsubseteq) be a complete lattice satisfying ACC and $\Phi : D \rightarrow D$ monotonic. Then

$$\text{fix}(\Phi) := \bigsqcup \{ \Phi^k(\perp) \mid k \in \mathbb{N} \}$$

is the *least fixpoint of Φ* where

$$\Phi^0(d) := d \text{ and } \Phi^{k+1}(d) := \Phi(\Phi^k(d)).$$

Remark: ACC $\implies (\Phi^k(\perp) \mid k \in \mathbb{N})$ stabilizes at some $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ with $\text{fix}(\Phi) = \Phi^{k_0}(\perp)$ (where k_0 bounded by maximal chain length in (D, \sqsubseteq))

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Here: **least** solution $\{x\}$ (maximal potential for optimization)

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Output: $\{AI_I \mid I \in L\}$

Example 5.3 (Worklist algorithm)

Available Expression analysis for $c = [x := a+b]^1;$
 $[y := a*b]^2;$
 $\text{while } [y > a+b]^3 \text{ do}$
 $[a := a+1]^4;$
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(cf. Examples 2.9 and 4.11)

Transfer functions:

- $\varphi_1(A) = A \cup \{a+b\}$
- $\varphi_2(A) = A \cup \{a*b\}$
- $\varphi_3(A) = A \cup \{a+b\}$
- $\varphi_4(A) = A \setminus \{a+b, a*b, a+1\}$
- $\varphi_5(A) = A \cup \{a+b\}$

Computation protocol: on the board

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Proof.

see [Nielson/Nielson/Hankin 2005, p. 75 ff]



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

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

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Dataflow system $S = (L, E, F, (D, \sqsubseteq), \iota, \varphi)$ (continued):

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(i.e., every x has (unknown) default value)
- transfer functions $\{\varphi_I \mid I \in L\}$ defined by

$$\varphi_I(\delta) := \begin{cases} \delta & \text{if } B^I = \text{skip} \text{ or } B^I \in BExp \\ \delta[x \mapsto \text{val}_{\delta}(a)] & \text{if } B^I = (x := a) \end{cases}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \text{val}_{\delta}(x) &:= \delta(x) & \text{val}_{\delta}(a_1 \text{ op } a_2) &:= \begin{cases} z_1 \text{ op } z_2 & \text{if } z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{Z} \\ \perp & \text{if } z_1 = \perp \text{ or } z_2 = \perp \\ \top & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ \text{val}_{\delta}(z) &:= z \end{aligned}$$

for $z_1 := \text{val}_{\delta}(a_1)$ and $z_2 := \text{val}_{\delta}(a_2)$

Example 5.10

If $\delta = (\underbrace{\perp}_{w}, \underbrace{1}_{x}, \underbrace{2}_{y}, \underbrace{\top}_{z})$, then

$$\varphi_I(\delta) = \begin{cases} (\underbrace{0}_{w}, \underbrace{1}_{x}, \underbrace{2}_{y}, \underbrace{\top}_{z}) & \text{if } B^I = (w := 0) \\ (\underbrace{3}_{w}, \underbrace{1}_{x}, \underbrace{2}_{y}, \underbrace{\top}_{z}) & \text{if } B^I = (w := y+1) \\ (\underbrace{\perp}_{w}, \underbrace{1}_{x}, \underbrace{2}_{y}, \underbrace{\top}_{z}) & \text{if } B^I = (w := w+x) \\ (\underbrace{\top}_{w}, \underbrace{1}_{x}, \underbrace{2}_{y}, \underbrace{\top}_{z}) & \text{if } B^I = (w := z+2) \end{cases}$$