# Safe Relax Memory Reclamation with Types

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**Abstract.** Memory management in lock-free data structures remains one of the most difficult problems in concurrent programming. Design techniques including read-copy-update (RCU) and hazard pointers provide workable solutions, and are widely used to great effect. These techniques rely on the concept of a grace period: nodes that should be freed are placed on a *deferred* free list, and all threads obey a protocol to ensure that the deallocating thread can detect when all possible readers have completed their use of the object. This provides an approach to safe deallocation, but only when these subtle protocols are implemented correctly.

We present a static type system to ensure correct use of RCU memory management: that nodes removed from a data structure are always scheduled for subsequent deallocation, and that nodes are scheduled for deallocation at most once. Our type system enforces locality on heap mutations – one heap node at a time – to preserve well-formedness properties of data structures including the well-known acyclicity. As part of our soundness proof, we give an abstract semantics for RCU memory management primitives which captures fundamental law of RCU [27,2]. To our best knowledge we not only verify a singly linked list and but also a binary search tree for the first time.

### 1 Introduction

For many workloads, lock-based synchronization — even fine-grained locking — has unsatisfactory performance. Often lock-free algorithms yield better performance, at the cost of more complex implementation and additional difficulty reasoning about the code. Much of this complexity is due to memory management: developers must reason about not only other threads violating local assumptions, but whether other threads are *finished accessing memory* for nodes to deallocate. At the time a node is unlinked from a data structure, an unknown number of additional threads may have already be using the node, having read a pointer to it before it was unlinked in the heap.

A key insight for manageable solutions to this challenge is to recognize that just as in traditional garbage collection, the unlinked nodes need not be reclaimed immediately, but can instead be reclaimed later after some protocol finishes running. Hazard pointers [30] is the classic example: all threads actively collaborate on bookkeeping data structures to track who is using a certain reference. For structures with read-biased workloads, Read-Copy-Update (RCU) [24] provides an appealing alternative. The programming style resembles a combination of

reader-writer locks and lock-free programming; readers perform minimal book-keeping — often nothing they wouldn't already do — and the writer(s) perform additional work to track which readers may have observed a node they wish to deallocate. There are now RCU implementations of many common tree data structures [10,35,6,25,3,21], and RCU plays a key role in Linux kernel memory management [28].

However, RCU primitives remain non-trivial to use correctly: developers must ensure they release each node exactly once, from exactly one thread, *after* ensuring other threads are finished with the node in question. Sophisticated verification logics can prove correctness of the RCU primitives and clients [18,14,34,23]. But these techniques require significant verification expertise to apply, and are specialized to individual data structures or implementations. Model checking can be used to validate correctness of implementations for a mock client [22,9,20,1], but this does not guarantee correctness of new client code.

We propose a type system to ensure that RCU client code uses the RCU primitives correctly. We do this in a general way, not assuming the client implements any specific data structure, only one satisfying some basic properties (like acyclicity) common to RCU data structures. In order to do this, we must also give a formal operational model of the RCU primitives that abstracts many implementations, without assuming a particular implementation of the RCU primitives. We describe our RCU semantics and type system, prove our type system sound against the model (which ensures memory is reclaimed correctly), and show the type system in action on two important RCU data structures.

Our contributions include:

- A general (abstract) operational model for RCU-based memory management
- A type system that ensures code uses RCU memory management correctly, which is signifiantly simpler than full-blown verification logics
- Demonstration of the type system on two examples: a linked list and a binary search tree
- A proof that the type system guarantees the intended safe use of RCU primitives.

### 2 Background & Motivation

In this section, we recall the general concepts of read-copy-update concurrency. We use the RCU linked-list-based set [26] from Figure 1 as a running example. It includes annotations for our type system, which will be explained in Section 4.2.

As with concrete RCU implementations, we assume threads operating on a structure are either performing read-only traversals of the structure — reader threads — or are performing an update — writer threads — similar to the use of many-reader single-writer reader-writer locks. 

1 It differs, however, in that readers may execute concurrently with the (single) writer.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> RCU implementation supporting multiple concurrent writers exist [3], but are the minority.

```
struct BagNode{
                                                                              void remove(int toDel){
 2
        int data:
                                                                              WriteBegin:
 3
                                                                               \{head : rcuRoot, parent : undef, current : undef\}
        BagNode<rcu> Next;
                                                                              BagNode<rcuItr> parent,current = head;
 4
     BagNode<rcuRoot> head:
                                                                               \{head : \mathsf{rcuRoot}, parent : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \epsilon \ \{\}, current : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \epsilon \ \{\}\}
 5
 6
     void add(int toAdd){
                                                                              current = parent.Next;
                                                                               \{current : rcultr \ Next \ \{\}\}
     WriteBegin;
     BagNode nw = new:
                                                                               \{parent : rcultr \in \{Next \mapsto current\}\}
      \{nw: rcuFresh\ \{\}\}
                                                                               while(current.Next != null&&current.data != toDel)
 9
                                                                          9
10
     nw.data = toAdd;
                                                                         10
11
      \{head: \mathsf{rcuRoot}, parent: \mathsf{undef}, current: \mathsf{undef}\}
                                                                                 \{current : rcultr (Next)^k.Next \{\}\}
                                                                        11
12
     BagNode<rcuItr> parent,current = head;
                                                                                 \{parent : rcultr (Next)^k \{Next \mapsto current\}\}
      \{head: \mathsf{rcuRoot}, parent: \mathsf{rcultr}\; \epsilon\; \{\}, current: \mathsf{rcultr}\; \epsilon\; \{\}
13
                                                                                 parent = current;
14
      \{current : rcultr \ \epsilon \ \{\}\}
                                                                         14
                                                                                 current = parent.Next;
15
      current = parent.Next;
                                                                         15
                                                                                 \{current : rcultr (Next)^k . Next . Next \{\}\}
16
      \{current : rcultr \ Next \ \{\}\}
                                                                                 \{parent : \mathsf{rcultr}(Next)^k.Next\{Next \mapsto current\}\}
                                                                         16
17
      \{parent : rcultr \in \{Next \mapsto current\}\}
18
      while(current.Next != null){
                                                                         17
                                                                         18
                                                                              \{nw: rcuFresh\ \{\}\}
        \{current : rcultr(Next)^k . Next\{\}\}
19
                                                                              \{parent : rcultr (Next)^k \{ Next \mapsto current \} \}
                                                                        19
20
        \{parent : rcultr(Next)^k \{ Next \mapsto current \} \}
                                                                               \{current : rcultr (Next)^k.Next \{\}\}
21
        parent = current;
                                                                         20
        current = parent.Next;
                                                                              BagNode<rcuItr> currentL = current.Next;
22
                                                                              \{current : rcultr (Next)^k.Next \{Next \mapsto currentL\}\}
23
        \{current : rcultr(Next)^k.Next.Next\{\}\}
                                                                        22
        \{parent : \mathsf{rcultr}(Next)^k.Next\{Next \mapsto current\}\}
                                                                        23
                                                                              \{currentL : rcultr (Next)^k.Next.Next \{\}\}
24
25
                                                                        24
                                                                              prev.Next = currentL;
26
      \{nw : \mathsf{rcuFresh}\ \{\}\}
                                                                         25
                                                                              \{parent : rcultr (Next)^k \{ Next \mapsto currentL \} \}
      \{current : rcultr (Next)^k . Next \{Next \mapsto null\}\}
27
                                                                        26
                                                                               \{current : unlinked\}
28
      \{parent : rcultr (Next)^k \{ Next \mapsto current \} \}
                                                                        27
                                                                               \{currentL : rcultr (Next)^k.Next \{\}\}
     nw.Next= null;
                                                                         28
                                                                               SyncStart;
30
      \{nw : \mathsf{rcuFresh} \ \{Next \mapsto null\}\}
                                                                         29
                                                                              SyncStop:
                                                                              \{current: freeable\}
                                                                        30
31
      \{current : rcultr (Next)^k.Next \{Next \mapsto null\}\}
                                                                        31
                                                                               Free(current);
      current.Next=nw;
                                                                        32
                                                                               \{current : undef\}
      \{nw : \mathsf{rcultr}\ (Next)^k.Next.Next\ \{Next \mapsto null\}\}
33
                                                                         33
                                                                               WriteEnd;
      \{current : \mathsf{rcultr}\ (Next)^k.Next\ \{Next \mapsto nw\}\}
34
35
      WriteEnd:
     }
36
```

Fig. 1: Read-Copy-Update Client: Linked-List based Bag Implementation.

This distinction, and some runtime bookkeeping associated with the readand write-side critical sections, allow this model to determine at modest cost when a node unlinked by the writer can safely be reclaimed.

Figure 1 gives the code for adding/deleting nodes to a set(whole type cheking including membership queries for bag can be found in C). Algorithmically, this code is nearly the same as any sequential implementation. There are only two differences. First, the read-side critical section in member is indicated by the use of ReadBegin and ReadEnd; the write-side critical section is between WriteBegin and WriteEnd. Second, rather than immediately reclaiming the memory for the unlinked node, remove calls SyncStart to begin a grace period — a wait for reader threads that may still hold references to unlinked nodes to finish their critical sections. SyncStop blocks execution of the reader thread until these readers exit their read critical section (via ReadEnd). These are the essential primitives for the implementation of an RCU data structure.

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These six primitives together track a critical piece of information: which reader threads' critical sections overlapped the writer's. Implementing them efficiently is challenging [10], but possible. The Linux kernel for example finds ways to reuse existing task switch mechanisms for this tracking, so readers incur no additional overhead. The reader primitives are semantically straightforward — they atomically record the start, or completion, of a read-side critical section for that thread.

The more interesting primitives are the write-side primitives and memory reclamation. WriteBegin performs a (semantically) standard mutual exclusion with regard to other writers, so only one writer thread may modifying the structure or the writer structures used for grace periods.

SyncStart and SyncStop implement grace periods [32]: a mechanism to wait for readers to finish with any nodes the writer may have unlinked. A grace period begins when a writer requests one, and finishes when all reader threads active at the start of the grace period have finished their current critical section. Any nodes a writer unlinks before a grace period are physically unlinked, but not logically unlinked until after one grace period. [Iso says: An astute reader might already realize that our usage of logical/physical unlinking is different than the one used in data-structures literatur where typically a logical deletion(marking/unlinking) is followed by a physical deletion(free). Because all threads are forbidden from holding an interior reference into the data structure after leaving their critical sections, waiting for active readers to finish their critical sections ensures they are no longer using any nodes the writer unlinked prior to the grace period. This makes actually freeing an unlinked node after a grace period safe.

SyncStop then blocks until all those threads in the snapshot have finished at least one critical section. Note that SyncStop does not wait for all readers to finish, and does not wait for all overlapping readers to simultaneously be out of critical sections. If two reader threads A and B overlap some SyncStart-SyncStop's critical section, it is possible that A may exit and re-enter a read-side critical section before B exits, and vice versa. Implementations must distinguish subsequent read-side critical sections from earlier ones that overlapped the writer's initial request to wait: since SyncStart is used after a node is physically removed from the data structure and readers may not retain RCU references across critical sections, A re-entering a fresh read-side critical section will not permit it to re-observe the node to be freed.

To date, every description of RCU semantics, most centered around the notion of a grace period, has been given algorithmically, as a specific (efficient) implementation. While the implementation aspects are essential to real use, the lack of an abstract characterization makes judging the correctness of these implementations — or clients — difficult in general. In Section 3 we give formal abstract semantics for RCU implementations — horrifically inefficient if implemented directly, but correct from a memory-safety and programming model perspective, and not tied to the low-level RCU implementation details. To use these semantics or a concrete implementation correctly, client code must ensure:

- Reader threads never modify the structure
- No thread holds an interior pointer into the RCU structure across critial sections
- Unlinked nodes are always freed by the unlinking thread after the unlinking, after a grace period, and inside the critical section
- Nodes are freed at most once

In practice, RCU data structures typically ensure additional invariants to simplify the above:

- The data structure is always an acyclic tree
- A writer thread unlinks or replaces only one node at a time.

#### 3 Semantics

In this section, we outline the details of an abstract semantics for RCU implementations. It captures the core client-visible semantics of most RCU primitives, but not the implementation details required for efficiency [28]. In our semantics, shown in Figure 2, an abstract machine state contains:

- A stack s, of type  $Var \times TID \rightarrow Loc$
- A heap, h, of type Loc  $\times$  FName  $\rightarrow$  Val
- A lock, l, of type TID  $\uplus$  {unlocked}
- A root location rt of type Loc
- A read set, R, of type  $\mathcal{P}(\mathsf{TID})$  and
- A bounding set, B, of type  $\mathcal{P}(\mathsf{TID})$

The lock l enforces mutual exclusion between write-side critical sections. The root location rt is the root of an RCU data structure. We model only a single global RCU data structure, as the generalization to multiple structures is straightforward but complicates formal development later in the paper. The reader set R tracks the thread IDs (TIDs) of all threads currently executing a read block. The bounding set R tracks which threads the writer is actively waiting for during a grace period — it is empty if the writer is not waiting.

Figure 2 gives operational semantics for *atomic* actions; conditionals, loops, and sequencing all have standard semantics, and parallel composition uses sequentially-consistent interleaving semantics.

The first few atomic actions, for writing and reading fields, assigning among local variables, and allocating new objects, are typical of formal semantics for heaps and mutable local variables. Free is similarly standard. A writer thread's critical section is bounded by WriteBegin and WriteEnd, which acquire and release the lock that enforces mutual exclusion between writers. WriteBegin only reduces (acquires) if the lock is unlocked.

Standard RCU APIs include a primitive synchronize\_rcu() to wait for a grace period for the current readers. We decompose this here into two actions,

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a ::= \mathsf{skip} \mid \mathsf{x.f} = \mathsf{y} \mid \mathsf{y} = \mathsf{x} \mid \mathsf{y} = \mathsf{x.f} \mid \mathsf{y} = \mathsf{new} \mid \mathsf{Free}(\mathsf{x}) \mid \mathsf{Sync}
                                   RCURead x.f as y \in \{\bar{s}\} \mid RCUWrite x.f as y \in \{\bar{s}\}
             \begin{split} & [\![\mathsf{RCUWrite}\ x.f\ as\ y\ in\ \{\bar{s}\}]\!] \ \downarrow_{\mathrm{tid}} \ \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \mathsf{WriteBegin}\ ;\ x.f\ :=\ y\ ; \mathsf{WriteEnd} \\ & [\![\![\mathsf{RCURead}\ x.f\ as\ y\ in\ \{\bar{s}\}]\!] \ \downarrow_{\mathrm{tid}} \ \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \mathsf{ReadBegin};\ y:=\ x.f\ ; \mathsf{ReadEnd} \\ & [\![\![\mathsf{Sync}]\!] \ \downarrow_{\mathrm{tid}} \ \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \mathsf{SyncStart}; \mathsf{SyncStop} \end{split} 
   (HUPDATE) [x.f=y] (s,h,l,rt,R,B) \downarrow_{tid}(s,h[s(x,tid),f\mapsto s(y,tid)],l,rt,R,B)
     (HRead)
                           \llbracket y=x.f \rrbracket (s,h,l,rt,R,B) \downarrow_{tid} (s[(y,tid) \mapsto h(s(x,tid),f)],h,l,rt,R,B)
                                 \llbracket \mathtt{y=x} \rrbracket \ (s,h,l,rt,R,B) \Downarrow_{tid} (s[(y,tid) \mapsto (x,tid)],h,l,rt,R,B)
 (HALLOCATE) [y=new] (s,h,l,rt,R,B) \downarrow_{tid} (s,h[\ell \mapsto nullmap],l,rt,R,B)
      where rt \neq s(y,tid) and s[(y,tid) \mapsto \ell], and h[\ell \mapsto \mathsf{nullmap}] \stackrel{\mathrm{def}}{=} \lambda(o',f). if o = o' then skip else h(o',f)
   (RCU-W-Begin)
                                         [WriteBegin] (s, h, \text{unlocked}, rt, R, B) \downarrow_{tid}(s, h, l, rt, R, B)
     (RCU-W-END)
                                              [WriteEnd] (s, h, l, rt, R, B)
                                                                                                                    \Downarrow_{tid}(s, h, \mathsf{unlocked}, rt, R, B)
                                                                                                                    \downarrow_{tid}(s, h, tid, rt, R \uplus \{tid\}, B) \ tid \neq l
    (RCU-R-Begin)
                                            [ReadBegin] (s, h, tid, rt, R, B)
      (RCU-R-END)
                                                [ReadEnd] (s, h, tid, rt, R \uplus \{tid\}, B) \downarrow_{tid} (s, h, l, rt, R, B \setminus \{tid\})
                                                                                                                                                                         tid \neq l
(RCU-Synch-Start)
                                            [SyncStart] (s, h, l, rt, R, \emptyset)
                                                                                                                    \Downarrow_{tid}(s,h,l,rt,R,R)
(RCU-SYNCH-STOP)
                                              [\![\mathtt{SyncStop}]\!]\ (s,h,l,rt,R,\emptyset)
                                                                                                                    \Downarrow_{tid}(s, h, l, rt, R, \emptyset)
             (Free)
                                                 [Free(x)] (s, h, l, rt, R, B)
                                                                                                                    \Downarrow_{tid}(s,h,l,rt,R,B)
```

Fig. 2: Operational Semantics for RCU

SyncStart and SyncStop. SyncStart initializes the blocking set to the current set of readers — the threads that may have already observed any nodes the writer has unlinked. SyncStop blocks until the blocking set is emptied by completing reader threads.

Reader thread critical sections are bounded by ReadBegin and ReadEnd. ReadBegin simply records the current thread's presence as an active reader. ReadEnd removes the current thread from the set of active readers, and also removes it (if present) from the blocking set — if a writer was waiting for a certain reader to finish its critical section, this ensures the writer no longer waits once that reader has finished its current read-side critical section.

Grace periods are implemented by the combination of <code>ReadBegin</code>, <code>ReadEnd</code>, <code>SyncStart</code>, and <code>SyncStop</code>. <code>ReadBegin</code> ensures the set of active readers is known. When a grace period is required, <code>SyncStart;SyncStop</code>; will store (in B) the active readers (which may have observed nodes to free before they were unlinked), and wait for reader threads to record when they have completed their critical section (and implicitly, dropped any references to nodes the writer wants to free) via <code>ReadEnd</code>.

These semantics do permit a reader in the blocking set to finish its read-side critical section and enter a new read-side critical section before the writer wakes. In this case, the writer waits only for the first critical section of that reader to complete, since entering the new critical section adds the thread's ID back to R, but not B.

## 4 Type System & Programming Language

In this section, we present a simple object oriented programming language with two block constructs for modelling RCU, and a type system that ensures proper (memory-safe) use of the language. To ensure memory safety, we must show how our type system makes programs preserve the following properties:

- A heap node can only be freed if it is no longer accessible from an RCU data structure or from local variables of other threads. To achieve this we ensure the reachability and access which can be suitably restricted. We explain how our types support a delayed ownership transfer for the deallocation.
- Local variables may not point inside an RCU data structure unless they are inside an RCU read or write block.
- Heap mutations are *local*: each unlinks or replaces exactly one node.
- The RCU data structure remains a tree. While not a fundamental constraint of RCU, it is a common constraint across known RCU data structures because it simplifies reasoning (by developers or a type system) about when a node has become unreachable in the heap.

We also demonstrate that the type system is not only sound, but useful: we show how it types Figure 1's list-based bag implementation [26]. We also give type checked fragments of a binary search tree to motivate advanced features of the type system; the full typing derivation can be found in Appendix B. The BST

requires type narrowing operations that refine a type based on dynamic checks (e.g., determining which of several fields links to a node). In our system, we presume all objects contain all fields, but the number of fields is finite (and in our examples, small). This avoids additional overhead from tracking well-established aspects of the type system — class and field types and presence, for example — and focus on checking correct use of RCU primitives. Essentially, we assume the code our type system applies to is already type-correct for a system like C or Java's type system.

### 4.1 RCU Type System for Write Critical Section

Section 4.1 introduces RCU types and the need for subtyping. Section 4.2, shows how types describe program states, through code for Figure 1's list-based bag example. Section 4.3 introduces the type system itself.

**RCU** Types There are six types used in Write critical sections

 $\tau ::= \mathsf{rcultr} \; \rho \; \mathcal{N} \; | \; \mathsf{rcuFresh} \; \mathcal{N} \; | \; \mathsf{unlinked} \; | \; \mathsf{undef} \; | \; \mathsf{freeable} \; | \; \mathsf{rcuRoot}$ 

rcuItr is the type given to references pointing into a shared RCU data structure. A rcultr type can be used in either a write region or a read region (without the additional components). It indicates both that the reference points into the shared RCU data structure and that the heap location referenced by rcultr reference is reachable by following the path  $\rho$  from the root. A component  $\mathcal N$  is a set of field mappings taking the field name to local variable names. Field maps are extended when the referent's fields are read. The field map and path components track reachability from the root, and local reachability between nodes. These are used to ensure the structure remains acyclic, and for the type system to recognize exactly when unlinking can occur.

Read-side critical sections use rcultr without path or field map components. These components are both unnecessary for readers (who perform no updates) and would be invalidated by writer threads anyways. The read-side rules essentially only ensure the reader performs no writes, so we show all type rules related to Read critical section in 31 Appendix E together with the other standard rules (T-Exchange, T-Par, T-Seq, T-Conseq and T-Skip).

unlinked is the type given to references to unlinked heap locations — objects previously part of the structure, but now unreachable via the heap. A heap location referenced by an unlinked reference may still be accessed by reader threads, which may have aquired their own references before the node became unreachable. Newly-arrived readers, however, will be unable to gain access to these referents.

**freeable** is the type given to references pointing at unlinked heap location which is safe to reclaim because it is known that no concurrent readers hold references to it. Unlinked references become freeable after a writer has waited for a full grace period.

Fig. 3: Sub-Typing Judgements

undef is the type given to references where the content of the referenced location is inaccessible. A freeable object becomes undefined after it is reclaimed.

rcuFresh is the type given to references to freshly allocated heap locations. Similar to rcultr type, it has field mappings set  $\mathcal{N}$ . We set the field mappings in the set of an existsing rcuFresh reference to be the same as field mappings in the set of rcultr reference when we replace the heap referenced by rcultr with the heap referenced by rcuFresh for memory safe replacement.

*rcuRoot* is the type given to the fixed reference to the root of the RCU data structure. It may not be overwritten.

**Subtyping** It is sometimes necessary to use imprecise types — mostly for control flow joins. Our type system performs these abstractions via subtyping on individual types and full contexts, as in Figure 3. We discuss subtyping before the full type rules to give a sense of what kinds of imprecision exist in our type system.

Figure 3 includes four judgments. The first two —  $\vdash \mathcal{N} \prec: \mathcal{N}'$  and  $\vdash \rho \prec: \rho'$  — describe relaxations of field maps and paths respectively.  $\vdash \mathcal{N} \prec: \mathcal{N}'$  is read as "the field map  $\mathcal{N}$  is more precise than  $\mathcal{N}'$ " and similarly for paths. The third judgment  $\vdash T \prec: T'$  uses path and field map subtyping to give subtyping among rcultr types — one rcultr is a subtype of another if their paths and field maps are similarly more precise — and to allow rcultr references to be "forgotten" — this is occasionally needed to satisfy non-interference checks in the type rules. The final judgment  $\vdash \Gamma \prec: \Gamma'$  extends subtyping to all assumptions in a type context, allowing any or all types in the context to be relaxed to a supertype.

It is often necessary to abstract the contents of field maps or paths, without simply forgetting the contents entirely. In a binary search tree, for example, it

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 \begin{array}{l} \boxed{\Gamma \vdash_{M} \bar{s} \dashv \Gamma'} \end{array} (\text{T-Branch1}) \ \frac{\Gamma \, , x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f_{1} \rightharpoonup z]) \vdash \bar{s}_{1} \dashv \Gamma_{4} \qquad \Gamma \, , x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f_{2} \rightharpoonup z]) \vdash \bar{s}_{2} \dashv \Gamma_{4}}{\Gamma \, , x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f_{1} \mid f_{2} \rightharpoonup z]) \vdash \operatorname{if}(x.f_{1} == z) \text{ then } \bar{s}_{1} \text{ else } \bar{s}_{2} \dashv \Gamma_{4}} \\ (\text{T-Branch3}) \ \frac{\Gamma \, , x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f \rightharpoonup y \setminus \text{null}]) \vdash \bar{s}_{1} \dashv \Gamma' \qquad \Gamma \, , x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f \rightharpoonup y]) \vdash \bar{s}_{2} \dashv \Gamma'}{\Gamma \, , x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f \rightharpoonup y]) \vdash \operatorname{if}(x.f == \text{null}) \text{ then } \bar{s}_{1} \text{ else } \bar{s}_{2} \dashv \Gamma'} \\ \\ \frac{(\text{T-Loop2})}{\Gamma \, , x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f \rightharpoonup \bot]) \vdash \bar{s} \dashv \Gamma, x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho' \, \mathcal{N}([f \rightharpoonup \bot])}{\Gamma \, , x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f \rightharpoonup \bot]) \vdash \operatorname{while}(x.f \neq \text{null}) \{\bar{s}\} \dashv x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho' \, \mathcal{N}([f \rightharpoonup \text{null}]), \Gamma} \\ \\ \frac{(\text{T-ReIndex})}{\Gamma \vdash \bar{s}_{k} \dashv \Gamma[\rho.f^{k}/\rho.f^{k}.f]} \end{array}
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Fig. 4: Type Judgements for Control-Flow.

may be the case that one node is a child of another, but which parent field points to the child depends on which branch was followed in an earlier conditional (consider the lookup in a BST, which alternates between following left and right children). In Listing 1.1, we see that current aliases different fields of parent — either Left or Right — in different branches of the conditional. The types after the conditional must overapproximate this, here as  $Left|Right \mapsto current$  in parent's field map, and a similar path disjunction in current's path. This is reflected in Figure 3's T-NSuB1-5 and T-PSuB1-2 — within each branch, each type is coerced to a supertype to validate the control flow join.

Listing 1.1: Choosing fields to read

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 \begin{array}{ll} 1 & \{current : \operatorname{rcultr} Left | Right \ \}, & parent : \operatorname{rcultr} \epsilon \ \{Left | Right \mapsto current \} \} \\ 2 & \operatorname{if}(\operatorname{parent.Left} == \operatorname{current}) \{ \\ 3 & \{current : \operatorname{rcultr} Left \ \}, & parent : \operatorname{rcultr} \epsilon \ \{Left \mapsto current \} \} \\ 4 & \operatorname{parent} = \operatorname{current}; \\ 5 & \operatorname{current} = \operatorname{parent.Left}; \\ 6 & \{current : \operatorname{rcultr} Left .Left \ \}, & parent : \operatorname{rcultr} Left \ \{Left \mapsto current \} \} \\ 7 & \} else \{ \\ 8 & \{current : \operatorname{rcultr} Right \ \}, & parent : \operatorname{rcultr} \epsilon \ \{Right \mapsto current \} \} \\ 9 & \operatorname{parent} = \operatorname{current}; \\ 10 & \operatorname{current} = \operatorname{parent.Right}; \\ 11 & \{current : \operatorname{rcultr} Right .Right \ \}, & parent : \operatorname{rcultr} Right \ \{Right \mapsto current \} \} \\ 12 & \} \{current : \operatorname{rcultr} Left | Right .Left | Right \ \}, & parent : \operatorname{rcultr} Left | Right \ \{Left | Right \mapsto current \} \} \\ \end{array}
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Another type of control flow join is handling loop invariants — where paths entering the loop meet the back-edge from the end of a loop back to the start for repetition. Because our types include paths describing how they are reachable from the root, some abstraction is required to give loop invariants that work for any number of iterations — in a loop traversing a linked list, the iterator pointer would naïvely have different paths from the root on each iteration, so the exact path is not loop invariant. However, the paths explored by a loop are regular, so we can abstract the paths by permitting (implicitly) existentially quantified indexes on path fragments, which express the existence of *some* path, without saying *which* path. The use of an explicit abstract repetition allows the type system to preserve the fact that different references have common path prefixes, even after a loop.

Assertions for add function in lines 19 and 20 in Figure 1 show the loop's effects on paths of iterator references used inside the loop, current and parent. On line 20, parent's path contains has  $(Next)^k$ . The k in the  $(Next)^k$  abstracts the number of loop iterations run, implicitly assumed to be non-negative. The trailing Next in current's path on line  $19 - (Next)^k.Next$  — expresses the relationship between current and parent: parent is reachable from the root by following Next k times, and current is reachable via one additional Next. The types of 19 and 20, however, are not the same as lines 23 and 24, so an additional adjustment is needed for the types to become loop-invariant. Reindexing (T-REINDEX in Figure 4) effectively increments an abstract loop counter, contracting  $(Next)^k.Next$  to  $Next^k$  everywhere in a type environment. This expresses the same relationship between parent and current as before the loop, but the choice of k to make these paths accurate after each iteration would be one larger than the choice before. Reindexing the type environment of lines 23–24 yields the type environment of lines 19–20, making the types loop invariant.

While abstraction is required to deal with control flow joins, reasoning about whether and which nodes are unlinked or replaced, and whether cycles are created, requires precision. Thus the type system also includes means (Figure 4) to refine imprecise paths and field maps. In Listing 1.1, we see a conditional with the condition parent.Left == current. The type system matches this condition to the imprecise types in line 1's typing assertion, and refines the initial type assumptions in each branch accordingly (lines 3 and 8) based on whether execution reflects the truth or falsity of that check. Similarly, it is sometimes required to check — and later remember — whether a field is null, and the type system supports this.

### 4.2 Types in Action

The system has three forms of typing judgement:  $\Gamma \vdash C$  for standard typing outside RCU critical sections;  $\Gamma \vdash_R C \dashv \Gamma'$  for reader critical sections, and  $\Gamma \vdash_M C \dashv \Gamma'$  for writer critical sections. The first two are straightforward, essentially preventing mutation of the data structure, and preventing nesting of a writer critical section inside a reader critical section. The last, for writer critical sections, is flow sensitive: the types of variables may differ before and after program statements. This is required in order to reason about local assumptions at different points in the program, such as recognizing that a certain action may unlink a node. Our presentation here focuses exclusively on the judgment for the write-side critical sections.

Below, we explain our types through the list-based bag implementation [26] from Figure 1, highlighting how the type rules handle different parts of the code. Figure 1 is annotated with "assertions" — local type environments — in the style of a Hoare logic proof outline. As with Hoare proof outlines, these annotations can be used to construct a proper typing derivation.

Reading a Global RCU Root All RCU data structures have fixed roots, which we characterize with the rcuRoot type. Each operation in Figure 1 begins by reading the root into a new rcultr reference used to begin traversing the

structure. After each initial read (line 12 of add and line 4 of remove), the path of current reference is the empty path  $(\epsilon)$  and the field map is empty ( $\{\}$ ), because it is an alias to the root, and none of its field contents are known yet.

Reading an Object Field and a Variable As expected, we explore the heap of the data structure via reading the objects' fields. Consider line 6 of remove and its corresponding pre- and post- type environments. Initially parent's field map is empty. After the field read, its field map is updated to reflect that its Next field is aliased in the local variable current. Likewise, afer the update, current's path is Next (=  $\epsilon \cdot Next$ ), extending the parent node's path by the field read. This introduces field aliasing information that can subsequently be used to reason about unlinking.

Unlinking Nodes Line 24 of remove in Figure 1 unlinks a node. The type annotations show that before that line current is in the structure (rcultr), while afterwards its type is unlinked. The type system checks that this unlink disconnects only one node: note how the types of parent, current, and currentL just before line 24 completely describe a section of the list.

Grace and Reclamation After the referent of current is unlinked, concurrent readers traversing the list may still hold references. So it is not safe to actually reclaim the memory until after a grace period. Lines 28–29 of remove initiate a grace period and wait for its completion. At the type level, this is reflected by the change of current's type from unlinked to freeable, reflecting the fact that the grace period extends until any reader critical sections that might have observed the node in the structure have completed. This matches the precondition required by our rules for calling Free, which further changes the type of current to undef reflecting that current is no longer a valid reference. The type system also ensures no local (writer) aliases exist to the freed node.

Fresh Nodes Some code must also allocate new nodes, and the type system must reason about how they are incorporated into the shared data structure. Line 8 of the add method allocates a new node nw, and lines 10 and 29 initialize its fields. The type system gives it a fresh type while tracking its field contents, until line 32 inserts it into the data structure. The type system checks that nodes previously reachable from current remain reachable: note the field maps of current and nw in lines 30–31 are equal (trivially, though in general the field need not be null).

#### 4.3 Type Rules

Figure 5 gives the primary type rules used in checking write-side critical section code as in Figure 1.

T-Root reads a root pointer into an rcultr reference, and T-ReadS copies a local variable into another. In both cases, the free variable condition ensures that updating the modified variable does not invalidate field maps of other variables in  $\Gamma$ . These free variable conditions recur throughout the type system, and we will not comment on them further. T-Alloc and T-Free allocate and reclaim objects. These rules are relatively straightforward. T-ReadH reads a field into a local variable. As suggested earlier, this rule updates the post-environment to

$$\begin{array}{c} y \not\in \mathsf{FV}(\varGamma) \\ \hline \varGamma \vdash_M \alpha \dashv \varGamma' \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline (\text{T-Root}) \\ \hline \begin{matrix} \varGamma \vdash_{\mathsf{T}} r : \mathsf{rcuRoot} , y : \mathsf{undef} \vdash y = r \dashv y : \mathsf{rcultr} \, \epsilon \, \mathcal{N}_{\emptyset} \, , r : \mathsf{rcuRoot} \, , \varGamma \\ \hline \end{matrix} \\ \hline \begin{matrix} \varOmega \vdash_{\mathsf{T}} \mathsf{READS} \end{matrix} \\ \hline \begin{matrix} \varGamma \vdash_{\mathsf{T}} \mathsf{READS} \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} \varGamma \vdash_{\mathsf{T}} \mathsf{READS} \end{matrix} \\ \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} \varGamma \vdash_{\mathsf{T}} \mathsf{READS} \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} \varGamma \vdash_{\mathsf{T}} \mathsf{R$$

Fig. 5: Type Rules for Write side critical section

reflect that the overwritten variable z holds the same value as x.f. T-WRITEFH updates a field of a fresh (thread-local) object, similarly tracking the update in the fresh object's field map at the type level. The remaining rules are a bit more involved, and form the heart of the type system.

Grace Periods T-SYNC gives pre- and post-environments to the compound statement SyncStart; SyncStop, which implements a grace period. As mentioned earlier, this works in any type environment, and updates the environment afterwards to reflect that any nodes unlinked before the wait become freeable after the wait.

**Unlinking** T-UNLINKH type checks heap updates that remove a node from the data structure. The rule assumes three objects x, z, and r, whose identities we will conflate with the local variable names in the type rule. The rule checks the case where  $x.f_1 == z$  and  $z.f_2 == r$  initially (reflected in the path and field map components, and a write  $x.f_1 = r$  removes z from the data structure (we assume, and ensure, the structure is a tree).

The rule must also avoid unlinking multiple nodes: this is the purpose of the first (smaller) implication: it ensures that beyond the reference from z to r, all fields of z are null.

Finally, the rule must ensure that no types in  $\Gamma$  are invalidated. This could happen one of two ways: either a field map in  $\Gamma$  for an alias of x duplicates the assumption that  $x.f_1 == z$  (which is changed by this write), or  $\Gamma$  contains a descendant of r, whose path from the root will change when its ancestor is modified. The final assumption of T-UNLINKH (the implication) checks that for every reultr reference n in  $\Gamma$ , it is not a path alias of x, z, or r; no entry of its field map (m) refers to r or z (which would imply n aliased x or z initially); and its path is not an extension of r (i.e., it is not a descendant). MayAlias is a predicate on two paths (or a path and set of paths) which is true if it is possible that any concrete paths the arguments may abstract (e.g., via adding non-determinism through | or abstracting iteration with indexing) could be the same. The negation of a MayAlias use is true only when the paths are guaranteed to refer to different locations in the heap.

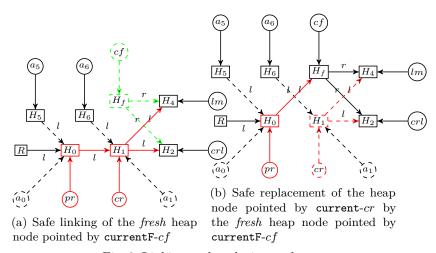


Fig. 6: Linking and replacing nodes

Linking a Fresh Node Linking a rcuFresh reference faces the same aliasing complications as direct unlinking. We illustrate these challenges in Figures 6a and 6b. The square R nodes are root nodes, and H nodes are general heap nodes. All resources in red and green form the memory foot print of unlinking. The hollow red circular nodes – pr and cr – point to the nodes involved in replacing  $H_1$  (referenced by cr) wih  $H_f$  (referenced by cf) in the structure. We we may have  $a_0$  and  $a_1$  which are aliases with pr and cr respectively. They are path-aliases as they share the same path from root to the node that they reference. Edge labels l and r are abbreviations for the Left and Right fields of a binary search tree. The dashed green  $H_f$  denotes the freshly allocated heap node referenced

by green dashed cf. The dashed green field l is set to point to the referent of cl and the green dashed field r is set to point to the referent of the heap node referenced by lm.

 $H_f$  initially (Figure 6a) is not part of the shared structure. If it was, it would violate the tree shape requirement imposed by the type system. This is why we highlight it separately in green — its static type would be rcuFresh. Note that we cannot duplicate a rcuFresh variable, nor read a field of an object it points to. This restriction localizes our reasoning about the effects of linking to just one fresh reference and the object it points to. Otherwise another mechanism would be required to ensure that once a fresh reference was linked into the heap, there were no aliases still typed as fresh — since that would have risked linking the same reference into the heap in two locations.

The transition from the Figure 6a to 6b illustrates the effects of the heap mutation (linking a fresh node). The reasoning in the type system for linking a fresh node is nearly the same as for unlinking an existing node, with one exception. In linking a fresh node, there is no need to consider the paths of nodes deeper in the tree than the point of mutation. In the unlinking case, those nodes' static paths would become invalid. In the case of linking a fresh node, those descendants' paths are preserved. Our type rule for ensuring safe linking (T-LINKF) prevents path aliasing (nonexistence of  $a_0$  and  $a_1$ ) by negating a MayAlias query and prevents field mapping aliasing (nonexistence of any object field from any other context pointing to cr) via asserting ( $y \neq o$ ). It is important to note that objects( $H_4, H_2$ ) in the field mappings of the cr whose referent is to be unlinked captured by the heap node's field mappings referenced by cf in rcuFresh. This is part of enforcing locality on the heap mutation and captured by assertion  $\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{N}'$  in the type rule(T-LINKF).

There is also another rule, T-LINKF-NULL, not shown in Figure 5, which handles the case where the fields of the fresh node are not object references, but instead all contain null (e.g., for appending to the end of a linked list or inserting a leaf node in a tree).

**Entering a Critical Section** (*Referencing inside RCU Blocks*) - There are two rules(ToRCUREAD in Figure 31 Appendix E and ToRCUWRITE in Figure 5) for moving to RCU typing: one for entering a write region, and one for a read region.

#### 5 Evaluation

We have used our type system to check correct use of RCU primitives in two RCU data structures representative of the broader space.

Figure 1 gives the type-annotated code for add and remove operations on a linked list implementation of a bag data structure, following McKenney's example [26]. Appendix C contains the code for membership checking.

We have also type checked the most challenging part of an RCU binary search tree, the deletion (which also contains the code for a lookup). Our implementation is a slightly simplified version of the Citrus BST [3] (their code supports multiple

writers, while ours uses only one). For lack of space the annotated code is only in Appendix B, but it motivates some of the conditional-related flexibility discussed in Section 4.2.

To the best of our knowledge, we are the first to check such code for memory-safe use of RCU primitives modularly, without appeal to the specific implementation of RCU primitives.

#### 6 Soundness

#### 6.1 Proof Outline

Here we outline our proof type soundness. Our full proof appears in the appendices.

We prove type soundness by embedding the type system into an abstract concurrent separation logic called the Views Framework [11]. As with other work taking this approach [17,16], this consists of several key steps:

- 1. Provide runtime states and semantics for the atomic actions we care about in the language. These are exactly the semantics from Section 3.
- 2. Define a denotational interpretation [-] of the types in terms of an instrumented execution state a runtime state (Section 3) with additional bookkeeping to simplify proofs. The denotation encodes invariants specific to each type, like the fact that unlinked references are unreachable from the heap, or that freeable references are unreachable from the heap as well as other threads' local variables. The instrumented execution states are also given additional global invariants the type system is intended to maintain, such as acyclicity of the structure.
- 3. Prove a lemma called Axiom Soundness that the type rules in Section 4.3 are consistent. Specifically, that given a state in the denotation of the pre-type-environment of a primitive type rule, the operational semantics produce a state in the denotation of the post-type-environment. This includes preservation of global invariants.
- 4. Give a desugaring of non-trivial control constructs into the simpler non-deterministic versions provided by Views.

The top-level soundness claim takes the form  $\forall \Gamma, C, \Gamma', \Gamma \vdash_M C \dashv \Gamma' \Rightarrow \{\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket\} \downarrow C \downarrow \{\llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket\}$ . The judgment  $\{-\}$  C  $\{-\}$  is a claim in the abstract separation logic provided by the Views Framework, which is sound as long as the earlier steps satisfy some natural consistency properties (this is a result of the Views Framework itself [11]). Because our denotation of types encodes the property that the post-environment of any type rule accurately characterizes which memory is linked vs. unlinked, etc., and the global invariants ensure all allocated heap memory is reachable from the root or from some thread's stack, this entails that our type system prevents memory leaks.

### 6.2 Informal Invariants of RCU Model and Denotations of Types

We define well-formedness condition of RCU model through a conjuction of global invariants that we define formally in Appendix A.2. Here we introduce the important aspects RCU invariants together with the type denotations – formal denotations can be found in Figure 7 Section 6.3 – to give the intuition that our system captures the requirements of RCU setting [27].

Grace-Period Guarantee A mutator thread has to synchronize with all of the reader threads currently running the read-side critical section to reclaim the heap locations. The operational semantics in Figure 2 Section 3 enforce a protocol on the mutator thread's actions: 1-first it updates a heap location (e.g. unlinking) 2-then it synchronizes with reader threads and then 3-reclaims the heap location. The mutator thread's reference to the heap location in between unlinking and synchronising is represented with the type unlinked. The type of the reference in between the end of synchronisation and reclamation is represented with the type freeable. Synchronisation action bounds the mutator thread from reclaiming the unlinked heap location immediately by adding it to the free-list. The denotation of unlinked in Figure 7 Section 6.3 asserts that if an unlinked heap location is in the *free-list* then there exists a subset of reader threads running simultaneously – which are called bounding threads – referencing to the heap location. Denotation of freeable asserts that all bounding threads left the RCU read-side critical section – ready to perform reclamation. Iterators-Free-List invariant and Readers-In-Free-List invariant in Appendix A.2 assert what being a bounding-thread is, how a bounding-thread observes the unlinked heap location and the bounding-thread's existence in free-list.

Publish-Subscribe Guarantee Concurrent reader threads must not be affected by a replacing-an-existing-node-with-a-fresh-one or linking-a-single-node action when inserting a new node into the linked data structure in such a way that they cannot access to the fresh nodes until they are published/linked. Unlike the case in *Grace-Period-Guarantee* where the reader threads can observe an unlinked heap node as iterator during the grace-period, they cannot observe the fresh heap nodes until they are published (can be observed as iterator). As we see in the operational semantics in Figure 2 Section 3, once a new heap location is allocated it is in type fresh – observed as fresh by mutator. Fresh-Writes invariant in Appendix A.2 asserts that a fresh heap location can only be allocated and referenced by the mutator thread. Fresh-Reachable invariant asserts the relation between a freshly allocated heap and the rest of the heap in such a way that there exists no heap node reaching to the freshly allocated one. Moreover, Fresh-Not-Reader invariant asserts that freshly allocated heap locatations are not published so they cannot be observed by a reader thread. Our system ensures locality of the effects in linking a new heap node via replacing an existing one as discussed in Figure 6b Section 4.3. To do so the fields of the fresh node has to point the nodes which are pointed by the replaced one – Fresh-Points-Iterator invariant.

Memory-Barrier Guarantee RCU write-side critical section has to guarantee that none of the updates to the memory cause no invalid memory access. If a heap location is observed as iterator by the mutator thread then it must

be observed as iterator by other threads – invariant Writer-Unlink and all of the heap locations reaching to the node starting from root can be observed as iterator as well – denotation  $[\![ rcultr \, \rho \, \mathcal{N} ]\!]_{tid}$  in Figure 7 Section 6.3. Reader threads can only have one type of observation iterator – invariant Readers-Iterator-Only in Appendix A.2 – for a heap location where this heap location can be updated by the mutator and reader threads referencing on this heap node become bounding-threads for the reclamation of the heap location – denotation  $[\![ rcultr ]\!]_{tid}$  and invariant Readers-In-Free-List. However, bounding-threads are the only ones which can observe the unlinked heap location as iterator: new coming reader threads cannot access to the unlinked heap. There exists links to mutated heap nodes – e.g. either unlinked or freeable – only from the heap nodes that are already mutated – Unlinked-Reachability and Free-List-Reachability invariants. To sum up, every heap node accessible via traversal starting from the unique root must be valid and observed as iterator both by reader threads and the mutator thread.

RCU Primitives Guaranteed to Execute Unconditionally Uncoditional execution of RCU Primitives are provided by definition of operational semantics of RCU primitives.

**Guaranteed Read-to-Write Upgrade** Our system provides a clear separation of *traverse-and-update* and *traverse-only* intentions for RCU programming through the type system together with the programming primitives – e.g. ReadBegin-ReadEnd and WriteBegin-WriteEnd.

Acyclicity of Linked Data Structures Additionally, our system ensures that none of the heap updating actions introduce *acyclicity*. – Unique-Reachable invariant, Unique-Root invariant and denotation  $\lceil \text{rcultr} \, \rho \, \mathcal{N} \rceil_{tid}$ .

#### 6.3 Proof

The Views Framework takes a set of parameters satisfying some properties, and produces a soundness proof for a static reasoning system for a larger programming language. Among other parameters, the most notable are the choice of machine state, semantics for atomic actions (e.g., field writes, or WriteBegin), and proofs that the reasoning (in our case, type rules) for the atomic actions are sound (in a way chosen by the framework). The other critical pieces are a choice for a partial view of machine states — usually an extended machine state with meta-information — and a relation constraining how other parts of the program can interfere with a view (e.g., modifying a value in the heap, but not changing its type). Our type system will be related to the views by giving a denotation of type environments in terms of views, and then proving that for each atomic action shown in 2 in Section 3 and type rule in Figures 5 Section 4.2 and 31 Appendix E, given a view in the denotation of the initial type environment of the rule, running the semantics for that action yields a local view in the denotation of the output type environment of the rule. The following works through this in more detail. We define logical states, LState to be

- A machine state,  $\sigma = (s, h, l, rt, R, B)$ ;
- An observation map, O, of type Loc  $\rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathsf{obs})$

- Undefined variable map, U, of type  $\mathcal{P}(\mathsf{Var} \times \mathsf{TID})$
- Set of threads, T, of type  $\mathcal{P}(\mathsf{TIDS})$
- A to-free map(or free list), F, of type Loc  $\rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathsf{TID})$

The free map F tracks which reader threads may hold references to each location. It is not required for execution of code, and for validating an implementation could be ignored, but we use it later with our type system to help prove that memory deallocation is safe.

Each memory region can be observed in one of the following type states within a snapshot taken at any time

$$obs := iterator \ tid \ | \ unlinked \ | \ free able \ | \ root$$

We are interested in RCU typed of heap domain which we define as:

$$\mathsf{RCU} = \{ o \mid \mathsf{ftype}(f) = \mathsf{RCU} \land \exists o'. \, h(o', f) = o \}$$

A thread's (or scope's) view of memory is a subset of the instrumented(logical states), which satisfy certain well-formedness criteria relating the physical state and the additional meta-data (O, U, T and F)

$$\mathcal{M} \stackrel{def}{=} \{ m \in (\mathsf{MState} \times O \times U \times T \times F) \mid \mathsf{WellFormed}(m) \}$$

We do our reasoning for soundness over instrumented states and define an erasure relation

$$|-|: \mathsf{MState} \implies \mathsf{LState}$$

that projects instrumented states to the common components with MState.

Well-formedness imposes restrictions over the representation of the RCU structure in memory and type of threads for actions defined in operational semantics. For instance, an unlinked heap location cannot be reached from a root of an RCU data structure. We define well-formedness as conjuction of memory axioms defined in Appendix Section A.2.

Every type environment represents a set of possible views (well-formed logical states) consistent with the types in the environment. We make this precise with a denotation function

$$\llbracket - \rrbracket_{-} : \mathsf{TypeEnv} \to \mathsf{TID} \to \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{M})$$

that yields the set of states corresponding to a given type environment. This is defined in terms of denotation of individual variable assertions

$$\llbracket -: - 
rbracket_- : \mathsf{Var} o \mathsf{Type} o \mathsf{TID} o \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{M})$$

The latter is given in Figure 7. To define the former, we first need to state what it means to combine logical machine states.

Composition of instrumented states is an operation

$$\bullet: \mathcal{M} \longrightarrow \mathcal{M} \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}$$

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 \bullet = (\bullet_{\sigma}, \bullet_{O}, \cup, \cup) \qquad O_{1} \bullet_{O} O_{2}(loc) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} O_{1}(loc) \cup O_{2}(loc) \\ (s_{1} \bullet_{s} s_{2}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} s_{1} \cup s_{2} \text{ when } dom(s_{1}) \cap dom(s_{2}) = \emptyset \\ (F_{1} \bullet_{F} F_{2}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} F_{1} \cup F_{2} \text{ when } dom(F_{1}) \cap dom(F_{2}) = \emptyset \\ (h_{1} \bullet_{h} h_{2})(o, f) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \text{undef if } h_{1}(o, f) = v \wedge h_{2}(o, f) = v' \wedge v' \neq v \\ v & \text{if } h_{1}(o, f) = v \wedge h_{2}(o, f) = v \\ v & \text{if } h_{1}(o, f) = undef \wedge h_{2}(o, f) = undef \\ undef & \text{if } h_{1}(o, f) = undef \wedge h_{2}(o, f) = undef \end{cases} \\ ((s, h, l, rt, R, B), O, U, T, F) \mathcal{R}_{0}((s', h', l', rt', R', B'), O', U', T', F') \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \end{cases} \\ \land \begin{cases} l \in T \rightarrow (h = h' \wedge l = l') \\ l \in T \rightarrow F = F' \\ \forall tid, o. & \text{iterator } tid \in O(o) \rightarrow o \in dom(h) \\ \forall tid, o. & \text{root } tid \in O(o) \rightarrow o \in dom(h') \\ \forall tid, o. & \text{root } tid \in O(o) \rightarrow o \in dom(h') \\ \forall tid, o. & \text{root } tid \in O(o) \rightarrow o \in dom(h') \\ \forall tid, o. & \text{root } tid \in O(o) \rightarrow o \in dom(h') \\ \forall tid, o. & \text{root } tid \in O(o) \rightarrow o \in dom(h') \end{cases}
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Fig. 7: Type Environments

Fig. 8: Composition( $\bullet$ ) and Thread Interference Relation( $\mathcal{R}_0$ )

that is commutative and associative, and defined component-wise in terms of composing physical states, observation maps, undefined sets, and thread sets as shown in Figure 8 An important property of composition is that it preserves validity of logical states:

Lemma 1 (Well Formed Composition). Any successful composition of two well-formed logical states is well-formed:

$$\forall_{x,y,z}$$
. WellFormed $(x) \implies \text{WellFormed}(y) \implies x \bullet y = z \implies \text{WellFormed}(z)$ 

Proof. In Appendix A.1.

We define separation on elements of type contexts

- For read-side as  $[x_1 : T_1, \dots x_n : T_n]_{tid,R} = [x_1 : T_1]_{tid} \cap \dots \cap [x_n : T_n]_{tid} \cap [R]_{tid}$  where  $[R]_{tid} = \{(s, h, l, rt, R, B), O, U, T, F \mid tid \in R\}$
- For write-side as  $[x_1 : T_1, \dots x_n : T_n]_{tid,M} = [x_1 : T_1]_{tid} \cap \dots \cap [x_n : T_n]_{tid} \cap [M]_{tid}$  where  $[M]_{tid} = \{(s, h, l, rt, R, B), O, U, T, F \mid tid = l\}$
- $[x_1 : T_1, \dots x_n : T_n]_{tid,O} = [x_1 : T_1]_{tid} \cap \dots \cap [x_n : T_n]_{tid} \cap [O]_{tid} \text{ where } [O]_{tid} = \{(s, h, l, rt, R, B), O, U, T, F \mid tid \neq l \land tid \notin R\}.$

Partial separating conjunction then simply requires the existence of two states that compose:

$$m \in P * Q \stackrel{def}{=} \exists m' . \exists m'' . m' \in P \land m'' \in Q \land m \in m' \bullet m''$$

Different threads' views of the state may overlap (e.g., on shared heap locations, or the reader thread set), but one thread may modify that shared state. The Views Framework restricts its reasoning to subsets of the logical views that are stable with respect to expected interference from other threads or contexts. We define the interference as (the transitive reflexive closure of) a binary relation  $\mathcal{R}$  on  $\mathcal{M}$ , and a View in the formal framework is then:

$$\mathsf{View}_{\mathcal{M}} \stackrel{def}{=} \{ M \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{M}) | \mathcal{R}(M) \subseteq M \}$$

Thread interference relation

$$\mathcal{R}\subseteq\mathcal{M}\times\mathcal{M}$$

defines permissible interference on an instrumented state. The relation must distribute over composition:

$$\forall m_1, m_2, m. (m_1 \bullet m_2) \mathcal{R} m \Longrightarrow \exists m_1' m_2'. m_1 \mathcal{R} m_1' \land m_2 \mathcal{R} m_2' \land m \in m_1' \bullet m_2'$$

where  $\mathcal{R}$  is transitive-reflexive closure of  $\mathcal{R}_0$  shown at Figure 8.  $\mathcal{R}_0$  (and therefore  $\mathcal{R}$ ) also "preserves" validity:

**Lemma 2 (Valid**  $\mathcal{R}_0$  **Interference).** For any m and m', if WellFormed(m) and  $m\mathcal{R}_0m'$ , then WellFormed(m').

*Proof.* In Appendix A.1.

**Lemma 3 (Stable Environment Denotation-M).** For any closed environment  $\Gamma$  (i.e.,  $\forall x \in \text{dom}(\Gamma)$ .,  $\text{FV}(\Gamma(x)) \subseteq \text{dom}(\Gamma)$ ):

$$\mathcal{R}(\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{\mathsf{M},tid}) \subseteq \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{\mathsf{M},tid}$$

Alternatively, we say that environment denotation is stable (closed under  $\mathcal{R}$ ).

Proof. In Appendix A.1.

Lemma 4 (Stable Environment Denotation-R). For any closed environment  $\Gamma$  (i.e.,  $\forall x \in \text{dom}(\Gamma)$ .,  $\text{FV}(\Gamma(x)) \subseteq \text{dom}(\Gamma)$ ):

$$\mathcal{R}(\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{\mathsf{R},tid}) \subseteq \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{\mathsf{R},tid}$$

Alternatively, we say that environment denotation is stable (closed under  $\mathcal{R}$ ).

Proof. In Appendix A.1.

The Views Framework defines a program logic (Hoare logic) with judgments of the form  $\{p\}C\{q\}$  for views p and q and commands C. Commands include atomic actions, and soundness of such judgments for atomic actions is a parameter to the framework. The framework itself provides for soundness of rules for sequencing, fork-join parallelism, and other general rules. To prove type soundness for our system, we define a denotation of  $type\ judgments$  in terms of the Views logic, and show that every valid typing derivation translates to a valid derivation in the Views logic:

$$\forall \Gamma, C, \Gamma', tid. \Gamma \vdash_{M,R} C \dashv \Gamma' \Rightarrow \{ \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{tid} \} \llbracket C \rrbracket_{tid} \{ \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{tid} \}$$

The antecedent of the implication is a type judgment shown in Figures 5 Section 4.3, 4 Section 4.1 and 31 Appendix E, and the conclusion is a judgment in the Views logic. The environments are translated to views ( $View_{\mathcal{M}}$ ) as previously described. Commands C also require translation, because the Views logic is defined for a language with non-deterministic branches and loops, so the standard versions from our core language must be encoded. The approach to this is based on a standard idea in verification, which we show here for conditionals as shown in Figure 9. assume(b) is a standard construct in verification semantics [4] [31], which "does nothing" (freezes) if the condition b is false, so its postcondition in the Views logic can reflect the truth of b. This is also the approach used in previous applications of the Views Framework [17,16]. The framework also describes a useful concept called the view shift operator ⊆, that describes a way to reinterpret a set of instrumented states as a new set of instrumented states. This operator enables us to define an abstract notion of executing a small step of the program. We express the step from p to q with action  $\alpha$  ensuring that the operation interpretation of the action satisfies the specification:  $p \sqsubseteq q \stackrel{def}{\Leftrightarrow} \forall m \in$  $\mathcal{M}. |p*\{m\}| \subseteq |q*\mathcal{R}(\{m\})|$ . Because the Views framework handles soundness for the structural rules (sequencing, parallel composition, etc.), there are really only three types of proof obligations for us to prove. First, we must prove that the

$$\begin{split} & \|\text{if } (x.f == y) \ C_1 \ C_2 \|_{tid} = \\ & z = x.f; ((\text{assume}(z = y); C_1) + (\text{assume}(z \neq y); C_2)) \\ & \|\text{assume}(\mathcal{S})\|(s) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \{s\} \ \text{if } s \in \mathcal{S} \\ \emptyset \ \text{Otherwise} \end{cases} \frac{\{P\} \cap \{\lceil \mathcal{S} \rceil\} \sqsubseteq \{Q\}}{\{P\} \text{assume} \ (b) \ \{Q\}} \text{ where} \\ & |\mathcal{S}| = \{m | \lfloor m \rfloor \cap \mathcal{S} \neq \emptyset\} \ [\text{while} \ (e) \ C]_{tid} = (\text{assume}(e); C)^* \ ; (\text{assume}(\neg e)); \end{split}$$

Fig. 9: Encoding of assume(b)

non-trivial command translations (i.e., for conditionals and while loops) embed correctly in the Views logic, which is straightforward. Second, we must show that for our environment subtyping, if  $\Gamma <: \Gamma'$ , then  $\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket \sqsubseteq \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket$ . And finally, we must prove that each atomic action's type rule corresponds to a valid semantic judgment in the Views Framework:

$$\forall m. \, [\![ \alpha ]\!] (| \, [\![ \Gamma_1 ]\!]_{tid} * \{m\} |) \subseteq | \, [\![ \Gamma_2 ]\!]_{tid} * \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) |$$

The use of \* validates the frame rule and makes this obligation akin to an interference-tolerant version of the small footprint property from traditional separation logics [33,5].

**Theorem 1 (Axiom Soundness).** For each axiom,  $\Gamma_1 \vdash_{RMO} \alpha \dashv \Gamma_2$ , we must show

$$\forall m.\, \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket (\lfloor \llbracket \varGamma_1 \rrbracket_{tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \subseteq \lfloor \llbracket \varGamma_2 \rrbracket_{tid} * \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \rfloor$$

*Proof.* In Appendix A.1.

Type soundness proceeds according to the requirements of the Views Framework, primarily embedding each type judgment into the Views logic:

#### Lemma 5.

$$\forall \Gamma, C, \Gamma', t. \ \Gamma \vdash_R C \dashv \Gamma' \Rightarrow \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_t \cap \llbracket R \rrbracket_t \vdash \llbracket C \rrbracket_t \dashv \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_t \cap \llbracket R \rrbracket_t$$

*Proof.* In Appendix A.1.

### Lemma 6.

$$\forall \Gamma, C, \Gamma', t. \Gamma \vdash_M C \dashv \Gamma' \Rightarrow \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_t \cap \llbracket M \rrbracket_t \vdash \llbracket C \rrbracket_t \dashv \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_t \cap \llbracket M \rrbracket_t$$

*Proof.* In Appendix A.1.

Because the intersection of the environment denotation with the denotations for the different critical sections remains a valid view, the Views Framework provides most of this proof for free, given corresponding lemmas for the *atomic actions*  $\alpha$ :

$$\forall \alpha, \Gamma_{1}, \Gamma_{2}. \Gamma_{1} \vdash_{R} \alpha \dashv \Gamma_{2} \Rightarrow \\ \forall m. \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket (\lfloor \llbracket \Gamma_{1} \rrbracket_{\mathsf{R}, tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \subseteq \lfloor \llbracket \Gamma_{2} \rrbracket_{\mathsf{R}, tid} * \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \rfloor$$
$$\forall \alpha, \Gamma_{1}, \Gamma_{2}. \Gamma_{1} \vdash_{M} \alpha \dashv \Gamma_{2} \Rightarrow \\ \forall m. \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket (\lfloor \llbracket \Gamma_{1} \rrbracket_{\mathsf{M}, tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \subseteq \lfloor \llbracket \Gamma_{2} \rrbracket_{\mathsf{M}, tid} * \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \rfloor$$

 $\alpha$  ranges over any atomic command, such as a field access or variable assignment.

Denoting a type environment  $[\![\Gamma]\!]_{M,tid}$ , unfolding the definition one step, is merely  $[\![\Gamma]\!]_{tid} \cap [\![M]\!]_{tid}$ . In the type system for write-side critical sections, this introduces extra boilerplate reasoning to prove that each action preserves lock ownership. To simplify later cases of the proof, we first prove this convenient lemma.

Lemma 7 (Write-Side Critical Section Lifting). For each  $\alpha$  whose semantics does not affect the write lock, if

$$\forall m. \, \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket (\lfloor \llbracket \Gamma_1 \rrbracket_{tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \subseteq \lfloor \llbracket \Gamma_2 \rrbracket_{tid} * \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \rfloor$$

then

$$\forall m. \, \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket (\lfloor \llbracket \Gamma_1 \rrbracket_{M,tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \subseteq \lfloor \llbracket \Gamma_2 \rrbracket_{M,tid} * \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \rfloor$$

*Proof.* In Appendix A.1.

#### 7 Related Work

Related work for correctness of code involving RCU memory management includes relevant work in concurrent program logics, model checking, and type systems.

## 7.1 Overview on Existing Approaches

Modeling RCU Alglave et al. [2] propose a memory model to be assumed by the platform-independent parts of the Linux kernel, regardless of the underlying hardware's memory model. As part of this, they give the first formalization of what it means for an RCU implementation to be correct (previously this was difficult to state, as the guarantees in principle could vary by underlying CPU architecture). Essentially, that reader critical sections do not span grace periods. They prove by hand that the Linux kernel RCU implementation [1,27] satisfies this property. According to their definition, our model in Section 3 is a valid RCU implementation (assuming sequential consistency). To the best of our knowledge, ours is the first abstract operational model for a Linux kernel-style RCU implementation — others are implementation-specific [23] or axiomatic like Alglave et al.'s. One another well-known way of implementing RCU synchronization without hurting readers' performance is Quiescent State Based Reclamation(QSBR) [10]. In QSBR model, the writer thread and each reader thread have their own counters.

Program Logics under Sequential Consistency Fu et al. [15] extend Rely-Guarantee/Separation-Logic [37,13,12] with the past-tense temporal operator to eliminate the need for using the history variable and lift the standard separation conjuction to assert over on execution histories instead of state to capture the high level intuitive specification of Michael's non-blocking stack [30]. Gotsman et al. [18] take a similar approach and present a formalization of memory management using grace periods in an extension to separation logic, specifically an extension of Vafeiadis and Parkinson's RGSep [37] with assertions from temporal logic to capture the essence of relaxed memory reclamation algorithms to have

simpler proofs than Fu et al. have [15] for Micheal's non-blocking stack [30] implementation under a sequentially consistent memory model. Mandrykin et al. [23] use VCC [7] to verify an implementation of RCU primitives using specifications relating to a specific implementation, and do not verify client code.

Program Logics under Sequential Consistency Tassarotti et al. [34] uses a protocol based program logic based on separation and ghost variables called GPS [36] to verify user-level RCU singly linked list under release-acquire semantics, which is a weaker memory model than sequential-consistency. They ensure the safe synchronization in between the readers and the writer thread through release-writes and acquire-reads of the counters as a part of the QSRB model. We do capture all the guarantees from these release-acquire orderings in our modal via logical observations – e.g. (iterator tid, unlinked and freeable) – the writer thread makes on the heap. Based on comparative understanding of our approach together with Tassarotti's we have the following conclusions:

- Although we do not show it formally within the scope of this paper, we do not see any fundamental reason for having our model to work under release-acquire semantics.
- Tassarotti et al. provide abstract-predicates e.g. WriterSafe (which mainly corresponds to our global memory invariants in Appendix 6.2 and the denotations of our types in Figure 7 Section 6) to be asserted and discharged for each of the RCU client actions and these abstract predicates might not be so reusable for another RCU client e.g. binary search tree as they include linked list specific logical constructions. Regarding memory safety of RCU clients, it is important to emphasise that we use the same types for different clients(e.g. a linked list in Appendix C and a binary search tree in Appendix B) without having to prove the RCU properties (e.g. unreachable nodes, proper orderings etc.) separately for each different RCU client: since we introduce the logical observation and memory safety properties within the meta-theory(logical RCU state, global memory invariants and the denotations of the types) and prove all of the RCU properties as a part of the soundness proof just for once.

Efficient implementations go to great lengths to minimize the cost of the read-side critical section operations: entering/exiting to the read-side critical section. Typically, implementations are structured so each reader thread (or CPU) maintains its own fragment of the shared global state, which is only updated by that thread, but is read by the write-side primitives. For example, Tassarotti et al. model the readers' counters as an array of counters where the content of each cell corresponds to the counter of a specific reader thread. On the other hand, direct implementation of our semantics would yield unacceptable performance, since both entering(ReadBegin) and exiting(ReadEnd) modify shared data structures for the bounding-threads and readers sets. However, we should also note that if we had the careful implementation mentioned for the ReadBegin and ReadEnd then all actions(traverse and read the node value) from a reader thread would reduce to an atomic data value-read – the reader threads shows logical atomicity. Since

we do not provide the careful implementation for the the ReadBegin and ReadEnd we cannot provide the *atomicity* proof as well.

Model Checking Desnoyers et al. propose a virtual architecture to model out of order memory accesses and instruction scheduling [9] and use the SPIN model checker to verify a user-mode implementation of RCU [10]. This method requires manual translation from C to SPIN modelling language. Liang et al. presents an approach to verify the *grace period* guarantee of Tree RCU in Linux kernel [22]. Tree RCU is an hieararchical RCU model which is a remedy to contention of writer threads in the single global lock model. Similarly, Kokologiannakis et al. [20] use a stateless model checker for testing the core of Tree RCU. Liang's approach has limited support for lists and callback handling which are important when we consider the correctness for writer primitives which are based on callback handling. Kokologiannakis's approach overcomes all these limitations and shows considerable performance when compared with Liang's approach using CBMC. Both focus on validating a particular RCU implementation, whereas we focus on verifying memory safety of clients independent of implementation.

Type Systems Howard et al. [19] enhance STM in Haskell to a technique called *Relativistic Programming* which aims low overhead linearly scalable concurrent threads. Unlike our system which types binary search tree in RCU setting, they claim handling trees (look-up followed by update) as a future work. A follow up paper from Cooper et al. [8] presents a Haskell library called *Monadic RP*, for relativistic programming. Similar to our approach, Monadic RP provides types and relativistic programming constructs for write/read critical sections which enforce correct usage of relativistic programming pattern. They also have only checked a linked list. Thus our work is the first type system for ensuring correct use of RCU primitives that is known to handle more complex structures than linked lists.

#### 7.2 More on Efficiency in Real RCU Implementations

Iso says: I am no sure this part should be in the ESOP version. Our simple global lock semantics for write critical sections has so many drawbacks in terms limiting the scalability and performance. The motivation of RCU is having very cheap reader critical sections but the number of reader theards can be a lot and this can be a problem. Although readers' performance are not effected badly, writer thread must show the grace period to all of these active/pre-existsting readers in such a way that it must defer the reclamation phase blocking (or in some implementations registering callback to be invoked after grace period) until all active readers are done with their jobs. Acquiring a global lock during each grace period severly affects scalibility and performance. To overcome this problem, a tree based hieararchical mechanism is implemented to handle each thread's (CPU's) quiescent-state information and qrace-period. In Tree RCU, the data struture is used in such a way that it records each CPU's quiescent states. The rcu node tree propagates these states up to the root, and then propagates grace-period information down to the leaves. Quiescent-state information does not propagate upwards from a given node until a quiescent state has been reported by

each CPU covered by the subtree rooted at that node. This propagation scheme dramatically reduces the lock contention experienced by the upper levels of the tree [22]

Real implementations, of course, must also tolerate the weak memory model of whatever processor they run on, leading them to use. For example, the primitive to dereference a memory location shown by a pointer and the primitive to update the memory location shown by a pointer contain architecture-specific memory barrier instructions and compiler directives to enforce correct ordering. Both primitives reduce to simple assignment statements on sequentially consistent systems. Dereferencing is volatile access except on DEC Alpha, which also requires a memory barrier .

The Linux implementation of the communication in between reader thread and writer thread is based on waiting for context switches. The implementation uses calls <code>SyncStart</code> and returns back from <code>SyncStop</code> after all CPUs have passed through at least one context switch. The synchronous version of the primitive to wait reader threads is <code>synchronize\_rcu</code>. For performance reasons, the Linux implementation has also asynchronous version of this primitive named <code>call\_rcu</code>. Detecting context switches requires maintaining state shared between CPUs. A CPU must update state, which other CPUs read, that indicate it executed a context switch [29].

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# A Complete Soundness Proof of Atoms and Structural Program Statements

### A.1 Complete Constructions for Views

To prove soundness we use the Views Framework [11]. The Views Framework takes a set of parameters satisfying some properties, and produces a soundness proof for a static reasoning system for a larger programming language. Among other parameters, the most notable are the choice of machine state, semantics for atomic actions (e.g., field writes, or WriteBegin), and proofs that the reasoning (in our case, type rules) for the atomic actions are sound (in a way chosen by the framework). The other critical pieces are a choice for a partial view of machine states — usually an extended machine state with meta-information — and a relation constraining how other parts of the program can interfere with a view (e.g., modifying a value in the heap, but not changing its type). Our type system will be related to the views by giving a denotation of type environments in terms of views, and then proving that for each atomic action shown in 2 in Section 3 and type rule in Figures 5 Section 4.2 and 31 Appendix E, given a view in the denotation of the initial type environment of the rule, running the semantics for that action yields a local view in the denotation of the output type environment of the rule. The following works through this in more detail. We define logical states, LState to be

- A machine state,  $\sigma = (s, h, l, rt, R, B)$ ;
- An observation map, O, of type  $Loc \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(obs)$
- Undefined variable map, U, of type  $\mathcal{P}(Var \times TID)$
- Set of threads, T, of type  $\mathcal{P}(\mathsf{TIDS})$
- A to-free map(or free list), F, of type Loc  $\rightharpoonup \mathcal{P}(\mathsf{TID})$

The free map F tracks which reader threads may hold references to each location. It is not required for execution of code, and for validating an implementation could be ignored, but we use it later with our type system to help prove that memory deallocation is safe.

Each memory region can be observed in one of the following type states within a snapshot taken at any time

We are interested in RCU typed of heap domain which we define as:

$$\mathsf{RCU} = \{o \mid \mathsf{ftype}(f) = \mathsf{RCU} \land \exists o'. h(o', f) = o\}$$

A thread's (or scope's) *view* of memory is a subset of the instrumented(logical states), which satisfy certain well-formedness criteria relating the physical state and the additional meta-data (O, U, T and F)

$$\mathcal{M} \stackrel{def}{=} \{ m \in (\mathsf{MState} \times O \times U \times T \times F) \mid \mathsf{WellFormed}(m) \}$$

We do our reasoning for soundness over instrumented states and define an erasure relation

$$|-|: \mathsf{MState} \implies \mathsf{LState}$$

that projects instrumented states to the common components with MState. Well-formedness imposes restrictions over the representation of the RCU structure in memory and type of threads for actions defined in operational semantics. For instance, an unlinked heap location cannot be reached from a root of an RCU data structure. We define well-formedness as conjuction of memory axioms define in Section A.2 Appendix 6.2.

Every type environment represents a set of possible views (well-formed logical states) consistent with the types in the environment. We make this precise with a denotation function

$$\llbracket - \rrbracket_{-} : \mathsf{TypeEnv} \to \mathsf{TID} \to \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{M})$$

that yields the set of states corresponding to a given type environment. This is defined in terms of denotation of individual variable assertions

$$\llbracket -: - \rrbracket_{-}: \mathsf{Var} \to \mathsf{Type} \to \mathsf{TID} \to \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{M})$$

The latter is given in Figure 10. To define the former, we first need to state what it means to combine logical machine states.

Composition of instrumented states is an operation

$$\bullet: \mathcal{M} \longrightarrow \mathcal{M} \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}$$

that is commutative and associative, and defined component-wise in terms of composing physical states, observation maps, undefined sets, and thread sets as shown in Figure 11 An important property of composition is that it preserves

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 \bullet = (\bullet_{\sigma}, \bullet_{O}, \cup, \cup) \qquad O_{1} \bullet_{O} O_{2}(loc) \overset{\text{def}}{=} O_{1}(loc) \cup O_{2}(loc) \\ (s_{1} \bullet_{s} s_{2}) \overset{\text{def}}{=} s_{1} \cup s_{2} \text{ when } dom(s_{1}) \cap dom(s_{2}) = \emptyset \\ (F_{1} \bullet_{F} F_{2}) \overset{\text{def}}{=} F_{1} \cup F_{2} \text{ when } dom(F_{1}) \cap dom(F_{2}) = \emptyset \\ (h_{1} \bullet_{h} h_{2})(o, f) \overset{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \text{undef if } h_{1}(o, f) = v \wedge h_{2}(o, f) = v' \wedge v' \neq v \\ v & \text{if } h_{1}(o, f) = v \wedge h_{2}(o, f) = v \\ v & \text{if } h_{1}(o, f) = undef \wedge h_{2}(o, f) = v \\ undef & \text{if } h_{1}(o, f) = undef \wedge h_{2}(o, f) = undef \end{cases} \\ ((s, h, l, rt, R, B), O, U, T, F) \mathcal{R}_{0}((s', h', l', rt', R', B'), O', U', T', F') \overset{\text{def}}{=} \end{cases} \\ \left\{ \begin{matrix} l \in T \rightarrow (h = h' \wedge l = l') \\ l \in T \rightarrow F = F' \\ \forall tid, o. \text{ iterator } tid \in O(o) \rightarrow o \in dom(h) \\ \forall tid, o. \text{ root } tid \in O(o) \rightarrow o \in dom(h') \\ \forall tid, o. \text{ root } tid \in O(o) \rightarrow o \in dom(h') \\ O = O' \wedge U = U' \wedge T = T' \wedge R = R' \wedge rt = rt' \\ \forall x, t \in T. s(x, t) = s'(x, t) \end{matrix} \right\}
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Fig. 11: Composition( $\bullet$ ) and Thread Interference Relation( $\mathcal{R}_0$ )

validity of logical states:

Lemma 8 (Well Formed Composition). Any successful composition of two well-formed logical states is well-formed:

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\forall_{x,y,z}. \, \mathsf{WellFormed}(x) \implies \mathsf{WellFormed}(y) \implies x \bullet y = z \implies \mathsf{WellFormed}(\mathsf{z})
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Proof. By assumption, we know that Wellformed(x) and Wellformed(y) hold. We need to show that composition of two well-formed states preserves well-formedness which is to show that for all z such that  $x \bullet y = z$ , Wellformed(z) holds. Both x and y have components  $((s_x, h_x, l_x, rt_x, R_x, B_x), O_x, U_x, T_x, F_x)$  and  $((s_y, h_y, l_y, rt_y, R_y, B_y), O_y, U_y, T_y, F_y)$ , respectively.  $\bullet_s$  operator over stacks  $s_x$  and  $s_y$  enforces  $dom(s_x) \cap dom(s_y) = \emptyset$  which enables to make sure that wellformed mappings in  $s_x$  does not violate wellformed mappings in  $s_y$  when we union these mappings for  $s_z$ . Same argument applies for  $\bullet_F$  operator over  $F_x$  and  $F_y$ . Disjoint unions of wellformed  $R_x$  with wellformed  $R_y$  and wellformed  $R_x$  with wellformed  $R_y$  preserves wellformedness in composition as it is disjoint union of different wellformed elements of sets. Wellformed unions of  $O_x$  with  $O_y$ ,  $U_x$  with

 $U_y$  and  $T_x$  with  $T_y$  preserve wellformedness. When we compose  $h_x(s(x,tid),f)$  and  $h_y(s(x,l),f)$ , it is easy to show that we preserve wellformedness if both threads agree on the heap location. Otherwise, if the heap location is undefined for one thread but a value for the other thread then composition considers the value. If a heap location is undefined for both threads then this heap location is also undefined for the location. All the cases for heap composition still preserves the wellformedness from the assumption that x and y are wellformed.

We define separation on elements of type contexts

- For read-side as  $[x_1: T_1, \dots, x_n: T_n]_{tid,R} = [x_1: T_1]_{tid} \cap \dots \cap [x_n: T_n]_{tid} \cap [R]_{tid}$  where  $[R]_{tid} = \{(s, h, l, rt, R, B), O, U, T, F \mid tid \in R\}$
- For write-side as  $[x_1 : T_1, \dots x_n : T_n]_{tid,M} = [x_1 : T_1]_{tid} \cap \dots \cap [x_n : T_n]_{tid} \cap [M]_{tid}$  where  $[M]_{tid} = \{(s, h, l, rt, R, B), O, U, T, F \mid tid = l\}$
- $[x_1 : T_1, \dots x_n : T_n]_{tid, O} = [x_1 : T_1]_{tid} \cap \dots \cap [x_n : T_n]_{tid} \cap [O]_{tid} \text{ where } [O]_{tid} = \{(s, h, l, rt, R, B), O, U, T, F \mid tid \neq l \land tid \notin R\}.$

Partial separating conjunction then simply requires the existence of two states that compose:

$$m \in P * Q \stackrel{def}{=} \exists m' . \exists m'' . m' \in P \land m'' \in Q \land m \in m' \bullet m''$$

Different threads' views of the state may overlap (e.g., on shared heap locations, or the reader thread set), but one thread may modify that shared state. The Views Framework restricts its reasoning to subsets of the logical views that are stable with respect to expected interference from other threads or contexts. We define the interference as (the transitive reflexive closure of) a binary relation  $\mathcal{R}$  on  $\mathcal{M}$ , and a View in the formal framework is then:

$$\mathsf{View}_{\mathcal{M}} \stackrel{def}{=} \{ M \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{M}) | \mathcal{R}(M) \subseteq M \}$$

Thread interference relation

$$\mathcal{R} \subseteq \mathcal{M} \times \mathcal{M}$$

defines permissible interference on an instrumented state. The relation must distribute over composition:

$$\forall m_1, m_2, m. (m_1 \bullet m_2) \mathcal{R} m \Longrightarrow \exists m_1' m_2'. m_1 \mathcal{R} m_1' \land m_2 \mathcal{R} m_2' \land m \in m_1' \bullet m_2'$$

where  $\mathcal{R}$  is transitive-reflexive closure of  $\mathcal{R}_0$  shown at Figure 11.  $\mathcal{R}_0$  (and therefore  $\mathcal{R}$ ) also "preserves" validity:

**Lemma 9 (Valid**  $\mathcal{R}_0$  **Interference).** For any m and m', if WellFormed(m) and  $m\mathcal{R}_0m'$ , then WellFormed(m').

*Proof.* By assumption, we know that m = (s, h, l, rt, R, B), O, U, T, F) is well-formed. We also know that m' = (s', h', l', rt', R', B'), O', U', T', F') is related to m via  $R_0$ . By assumptions in  $R_0$  and semantics, we know that O, R, T and U

which means that these components do not have any effect on wellformedness of the m. In addition, change on stack, s, does not affect the wellformedness as

$$\forall x, t \in T. s(x, t) = s'(x, t)$$

Moreover, from semantics we know that l and h can only be changed by writer thread and from  $R_0$ 

$$l \in T \to (h = h' \land l = l')$$
  
 $l \in T \to F = F'$ 

and by assumptions from the lemma(WellFormed(m).RINFL) we can conclude that F, l and h do not have effect on wellformedness of the m.

**Lemma 10 (Stable Environment Denotation-M).** For any closed environment  $\Gamma$  (i.e.,  $\forall x \in \mathsf{dom}(\Gamma)$ .,  $\mathsf{FV}(\Gamma(x)) \subseteq \mathsf{dom}(\Gamma)$ ):

$$\mathcal{R}(\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{\mathsf{M},tid}) \subseteq \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{\mathsf{M},tid}$$

Alternatively, we say that environment denotation is stable (closed under  $\mathcal{R}$ ).

*Proof.* By induction on the structure of  $\Gamma$ . The empty case holds trivially. In the other case where  $\Gamma = \Gamma', x : T$ , we have by the inductive hypothesis that

$$\llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{\mathsf{M},tid}$$

is stable, and must show that

$$\llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{\mathsf{M}.tid} \cap \llbracket x : \tau \rrbracket_{tid}$$

is as well. This latter case proceeds by case analysis on T.

We know that O, U, T, R, s and rt are preserved by  $R_0$ . By unfolding the type environment in the assumption we know that tid = l. So we can derive conclusion for preservation of F and h and l by

$$l \in T \to (h = h' \land l = l')$$

$$l \in T \to F = F'$$

Cases in which denotations, [x:T], touching these  $R_0$  preserved maps are trivial to show.

Case 1. - unlinked, undef, rcuFresh  $\mathcal{N}$  and freeable trivial.

Case 2. - rcultr  $\rho \mathcal{N}$ : All the facts we know so far from  $R_0$ , tid = l and additional fact we know from  $R_0$ :

$$\forall tid, o. \ \mathsf{iterator} \ tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h)$$

$$\forall tid, o. \text{ iterator } tid \in O(o) \rightarrow o \in dom(h')$$

prove this case.

Case 3. - root: All the facts we know so far from  $R_0$ , tid = l and additional fact we know from  $R_0$ :

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \rightarrow o \in dom(h)$$

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \rightarrow o \in dom(h')$$

prove this case.

Lemma 11 (Stable Environment Denotation-R). For any closed environment  $\Gamma$  (i.e.,  $\forall x \in \text{dom}(\Gamma)$ .,  $\text{FV}(\Gamma(x)) \subseteq \text{dom}(\Gamma)$ ):

$$\mathcal{R}(\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{\mathsf{R},tid}) \subseteq \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{\mathsf{R},tid}$$

Alternatively, we say that environment denotation is stable (closed under  $\mathcal{R}$ ).

*Proof.* Proof is similar to one for Lemma 10 where there is only one simple case, [x : rcultr].

The Views Framework defines a program logic (Hoare logic) with judgments of the form  $\{p\}C\{q\}$  for views p and q and commands C. Commands include atomic actions, and soundness of such judgments for atomic actions is a parameter to the framework. The framework itself provides for soundness of rules for sequencing, fork-join parallelism, and other general rules. To prove type soundness for our system, we define a denotation of  $type\ judgments$  in terms of the Views logic, and show that every valid typing derivation translates to a valid derivation in the Views logic:

$$\forall \Gamma, C, \Gamma', tid. \ \Gamma \vdash_{M,R} C \dashv \Gamma' \Rightarrow \{ \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{tid} \} \llbracket C \rrbracket_{tid} \{ \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{tid} \}$$

The antecedent of the implication is a type judgment shown in Figures 5 Section 4.3, 4 Section 4.1 and 31 Appendix E, and the conclusion is a judgment in the Views logic. The environments are translated to views ( $View_{\mathcal{M}}$ ) as previously described. Commands C also require translation, because the Views logic is defined for a language with non-deterministic branches and loops, so the standard versions from our core language must be encoded. The approach to this is based on a standard idea in verification, which we show here for conditionals as shown in Figure 12. assume(b) is a standard construct in verification semantics [4] [31]. which "does nothing" (freezes) if the condition b is false, so its postcondition in the Views logic can reflect the truth of b. This is also the approach used in previous applications of the Views Framework [17,16]. The framework also describes a useful concept called the view shift operator ⊆, that describes a way to reinterpret a set of instrumented states as a new set of instrumented states. This operator enables us to define an abstract notion of executing a small step of the program. We express the step from p to q with action  $\alpha$  ensuring that the operation interpretation of the action satisfies the specification: $p \sqsubseteq q \stackrel{def}{\Leftrightarrow} \forall m \in$  $\mathcal{M}. |p*\{m\}| \subseteq |q*\mathcal{R}(\{m\})|$ . Because the Views framework handles soundness for the structural rules (sequencing, parallel composition, etc.), there are really

$$\begin{split} & \|\text{if } (x.f == y) \ C_1 \ C_2 \|_{tid} = \\ & z = x.f; ((\text{assume}(z = y); C_1) + (\text{assume}(z \neq y); C_2)) \\ & \|\text{assume}(\mathcal{S})\|(s) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \{s\} \ \text{if } s \in \mathcal{S} \\ \emptyset \ \text{Otherwise} \end{cases} \frac{\{P\} \cap \{\lceil \mathcal{S} \rceil\} \sqsubseteq \{Q\}}{\{P\} \text{assume} \ (b) \ \{Q\}} \quad \text{where} \\ & |\mathcal{S}| = \{m | \lfloor m \rfloor \cap \mathcal{S} \neq \emptyset\} \ [\text{while} \ (e) \ C]_{tid} = (\text{assume}(e); C)^* \ ; (\text{assume}(\neg e)); \end{split}$$

Fig. 12: Encoding of assume(b)

only three types of proof obligations for us to prove. First, we must prove that the non-trivial command translations (i.e., for conditionals and while loops) embed correctly in the Views logic, which is straightforward. Second, we must show that for our environment subtyping, if  $\Gamma <: \Gamma'$ , then  $\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket \sqsubseteq \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket$ . And finally, we must prove that each atomic action's type rule corresponds to a valid semantic judgment in the Views Framework:

$$\forall m. \, [\![ \alpha ]\!] (| \, [\![ \Gamma_1 ]\!]_{tid} * \{m\} |) \subseteq | \, [\![ \Gamma_2 ]\!]_{tid} * \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) |$$

The use of \* validates the frame rule and makes this obligation akin to an interference-tolerant version of the small footprint property from traditional separation logics [33,5].

**Theorem 2 (Axiom Soundness).** For each axiom,  $\Gamma_1 \vdash_{\mathsf{RMO}} \alpha \dashv \Gamma_2$ , we must show

$$\forall m. \, \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket (\lfloor \llbracket \varGamma_1 \rrbracket_{tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \subseteq \lfloor \llbracket \varGamma_2 \rrbracket_{tid} * \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \rfloor$$

*Proof.* By case analysis on the atomic action  $\alpha$  followed by inversion on typing derivation.

Type soundness proceeds according to the requirements of the Views Framework, primarily embedding each type judgment into the Views logic:

#### Lemma 12.

$$\forall \Gamma, C, \Gamma', t. \Gamma \vdash_R C \dashv \Gamma' \Rightarrow \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_t \cap \llbracket R \rrbracket_t \vdash \llbracket C \rrbracket_t \dashv \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_t \cap \llbracket R \rrbracket_t$$

*Proof.* Proof is similar to the one for Lemma 13 except the denotation for type system definition is  $[\![R]\!]_t = \{\{((s,h,l,rt,R,B),O,U,T,F)|t\in R\}$  which shrinks down the set of all logical states to the one that can only be defined by types(rcultr) in read type system.

### Lemma 13.

$$\forall \Gamma, C, \Gamma', t. \Gamma \vdash_M C \dashv \Gamma' \Rightarrow \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_t \cap \llbracket M \rrbracket_t \vdash \llbracket C \rrbracket_t \dashv \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_t \cap \llbracket M \rrbracket_t$$

*Proof.* Induction on derivation of  $\Gamma \vdash_M C \dashv \Gamma'$  and then inducting on the type of first element of the environment. For the nonempty case,  $\Gamma'', x : T$  we do case analysis on T. Type environment for write-side actions includes only: rcultr  $\rho \mathcal{N}$ , undef, rcuFresh, unlinked and freeable. Denotations of these types include the

constraint t=l and other constraints specific to the type's denotation. The set of logical state defined by the denotation of the type is subset of intersection of the set of logical states defined by  $[\![M]\!]_t \cap [\![x:T]\!]_t$  which shrinks down the logical states defined by  $[\![M]\!]_t = \{((s,h,l,rt,R,B),O,U,T,F)|t=l\}$  to the set of logical states defined by denotation  $[\![x:T]\!]_t$ .

Because the intersection of the environment denotation with the denotations for the different critical sections remains a valid view, the Views Framework provides most of this proof for free, given corresponding lemmas for the *atomic actions*  $\alpha$ :

$$\forall \alpha, \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2. \Gamma_1 \vdash_R \alpha \dashv \Gamma_2 \Rightarrow \\ \forall m. \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket (\lfloor \llbracket \Gamma_1 \rrbracket_{\mathsf{R}, tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \subseteq \lfloor \llbracket \Gamma_2 \rrbracket_{\mathsf{R}, tid} * \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \rfloor$$

$$\forall \alpha, \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, \Gamma_1 \vdash_M \alpha \dashv \Gamma_2 \Rightarrow \\ \forall m. \, [\![\alpha]\!] (|\![\Gamma_1]\!]_{\mathsf{M},tid} * \{m\} |\![]) \subseteq |\![\![\Gamma_2]\!]_{\mathsf{M},tid} * \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) |\![]$$

 $\alpha$  ranges over any atomic command, such as a field access or variable assignment. Denoting a type environment  $[\![\Gamma]\!]_{\mathsf{M},tid}$ , unfolding the definition one step, is merely  $[\![\Gamma]\!]_{tid} \cap [\![\mathsf{M}]\!]_{tid}$ . In the type system for write-side critical sections, this introduces extra boilerplate reasoning to prove that each action preserves lock ownership. To simplify later cases of the proof, we first prove this convenient lemma.

Lemma 14 (Write-Side Critical Section Lifting). For each  $\alpha$  whose semantics does not affect the write lock, if

$$\forall m. \, \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket (\lfloor \llbracket \Gamma_1 \rrbracket_{tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \subseteq \lfloor \llbracket \Gamma_2 \rrbracket_{tid} * \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \rfloor$$

then

$$\forall m. \, \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket (\lfloor \llbracket \varGamma_1 \rrbracket_{M,tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \subseteq \lfloor \llbracket \varGamma_2 \rrbracket_{M,tid} * \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \rfloor$$

*Proof.* Each of these shared actions  $\alpha$  preserves the lock component of the physical state, the only component constrained by  $[-]_{M,tid}$  beyond  $[-]_{tid}$ . For the read case, we must prove from the assumed subset relationship that for an aritrary m:

$$[\![\alpha]\!](|[\![\Gamma_1]\!]_{tid} \cap [\![M]\!]_{tid} * \{m\}|) \subseteq |[\![\Gamma_2]\!]_{tid} \cap [\![M]\!]_{tid} * \mathcal{R}(\{m\})|$$

By assumption, transitivity of  $\subseteq$ , and the semantics for the possible  $\alpha$ s, the left side of this containment is already a subset of

$$| \llbracket \Gamma_2 \rrbracket_{tid} * \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) |$$

What remains is to show that the intersection with  $[\![M]\!]_{tid}$  is preserved by the atomic action. This follows from the fact that none of the possible  $\alpha$ s modifies the global lock.

$$\mathbf{OW}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \forall_{o,o'f,f'}.\, \sigma.h(o,f) = v \land \sigma.h(o',f') = v \\ \land v \in \mathsf{OID} \land \mathsf{FType}(f) = \mathsf{RCU} \implies \\ \begin{cases} o = o' \land f = f' \\ \lor \mathsf{unlinked} \in O(o) \\ \lor \mathsf{unlinked} \in O(o') \\ \lor \mathsf{freeable} \in O(o) \\ \lor \mathsf{freeable} \in O(o') \\ \lor \mathsf{fresh} \in O(o)) \\ \lor \mathsf{fresh} \in O(o') \\ \end{cases} \right.$$

Fig. 13: Ownership

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\mathbf{RWOW}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) = \begin{cases} \forall x, tid, o. \, \sigma.s(x, tid) = o \land (x, tid) \notin U \implies \\ \text{iterator } tid \in O(o) \\ \lor (\sigma.l = tid \land (\mathsf{unlinked} \in O(o)) \\ \lor (\sigma.l = tid \land \mathsf{freeable} \in O(o))) \\ \lor (\sigma.l = tid \land \mathsf{fresh} \in O(o)) \end{cases}
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Fig. 14: Reader-Writer-Iterator-Coexistence-Ownership

## A.2 Complete Memory Axioms

- 1. Ownership invariant in Figure 13 invariant asserts that none of the heap nodes can be observed as undefined by any of those threads.
- 2. Reader-Writer-Iterators-CoExistence invariant in Figure 14 asserts that if a heap location is not undefined then all reader threads and the writer thread can observe the heap location as iterator or the writer thread can observe heap as fresh, unlinked or freeable.
- 3. Alias-With-Root invariant in Figure 15 asserts that the unique root location can only be aliased with thread local references through which the unique root location is observed as iterator.

$$\mathbf{AWRT}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) = \{ (\forall_{u,tid}. \ h^*(\sigma.rt, \epsilon) = s(y, tid) \implies \mathsf{iterator} \ tid \in O(s(y, tid)) \}$$

Fig. 15: Alias with Unique Root

4. Iterators-Free-List invariant in Figure 16 asserts that if a heap location is observed as iterator and it is the free list then the observer thread is in the set of bounding threads.

$$\mathbf{IFL}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) = \big\{ \forall tid, o. \ \mathsf{iterator} \ tid \in O(o) \land \forall_{T' \subseteq T}. \ \sigma. F([o \mapsto T']) \implies tid \in T'$$

Fig. 16: Iterators-Free-List

5. Unlinked-Reachability invariant in Figure 17 asserts that if a heap node is observed as unlinked then all heap locations from which you can reach to the unlinked one are also unlinked or in the free list.

$$\mathbf{ULKR}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) = \begin{cases} \forall o. \, \mathsf{unlinked} \in O(o) \implies \\ \forall o', f'. \, \sigma.h(o', f') = o \implies \\ \begin{cases} \mathsf{unlinked} \in O(o') \lor \\ \mathsf{freeable} \in O(o') \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

Fig. 17: Unlinked-Reachability

6. Free-List-Reachability invariant in Figure 18 asserts that if a heap location is in the free list then all heap locations from which you can reach to the one in the free list are also in the free list.

$$\mathbf{FLR}(\sigma,O,U,T,F) = \begin{cases} \forall o.\ F([o \mapsto T]) \implies \\ \{ \forall o',f'.\sigma.h(o',f') = o \implies \\ \{ \exists_{T' \subseteq T}.\ F([o' \mapsto T']) \end{cases}$$

Fig. 18: Free-List-Reachability

7. Writer-Unlink invariant in Figure 19 asserts that the writer thread cannot observe a heap location as unlinked.

$$\mathbf{WULK}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) = \left\{ \, \forall o. \, \mathsf{iterator} \, \sigma.l \in O(o) \implies \mathsf{unlinked} \notin O(o) \right.$$

Fig. 19: Writer-Unlink

8. Fresh-Reachable invariant in Figure 20 asserts that there exists no heap location that can reach to a freshly allocated heap location together with fact on nonexistence of aliases to it.

$$\mathbf{FR}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) = \begin{cases} \forall_{tid, x, o}. \left(\sigma. s(x, tid) = o \land \mathsf{fresh} \in O(o)\right) \implies \\ \left(\forall_{y, o', f', tid'}. (h(o', f') \neq o) \lor (s(y, tid) \neq) o \lor (tid' \neq tid \implies s(y, tid') \neq o)\right) \end{cases}$$

Fig. 20: Fresh-Reachable

9. Fresh-Writer invariant in Figure 21 asserts that heap allocation can be done only by writer thread.

$$\mathbf{WF}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) = \forall_{tid, x, o}. (\sigma.s(x, tid) = o \land \mathsf{fresh} \in O(o)) \implies tid = \sigma.l$$

Fig. 21: Fresh-Writer

10. Fresh-Not-Reader invariant in Figure 22 asserts that a heap location allocated freshly cannot be observed as unlinked or iterator.

$$\mathbf{FNR}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) = \forall_o. (\mathsf{fresh} \in O(o)) \implies (\forall_{x,tid}. \mathsf{iterator} \ tid \notin O(o)) \land \mathsf{unlinked} \notin O(o)$$

Fig. 22: Fresh-Not-Reader

11. Fresh-Points-Iterator invariant in Figure 23 states that any field of fresh allocated object can only be set to point heap node which can be observed as iterator (not unlinked or freeable). This invariant captures the fact  $\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{N}'$  asserted in the type rule for fresh node linking (T-LINKF).

$$\mathbf{FPI}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) = \forall_o. \, (\mathsf{fresh} \in O(o) \land \exists_{f,o'}. \, h(o,f) = o') \implies (\forall_{tid}. \, \mathsf{iterator} \, tid \in O(o'))$$

Fig. 23: Fresh-Points-Iterator

- 12. Writer-Not-Reader invariant in Figure 24 asserts that a writer thread identifier can not be a reader thread identifier.
- 13. Readers-Iterator-Only invariant in the Figure 25 asserts that a reader threads can only make iterator observation on a heap location.
- 14. Readers-In-Free-List invariant in Figure 26 asserts that for any mapping from a location to a set of threads in the free list we know the fact that this set

$$\mathbf{WNR}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) = \left\{ \left. \sigma.l \notin \sigma.R \right. \right.$$

Fig. 24: Writer-Not-Reader

$$\mathbf{RITR}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) = \{ \forall_{tid \in \sigma.R,o}. \text{ iterator } tid \in O(o) \}$$

Fig. 25: Readers-Iterator-Only

of threads is a subset of bounding threads (which itself is subset of reader threads).

$$\mathbf{RINFL}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) = \{ \forall_o. F([o \mapsto T]) \implies T \subseteq \sigma.B$$

Fig. 26: Readers-In-Free-List

15. Heap-Domain invariant in the Figure 27 defines the domain of the heap.

$$\mathbf{HD}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) = \forall_{o, f', o'}. \sigma.h(o, f) = o' \implies o' \in dom(\sigma.h)$$

Fig. 27: Heap-Domain

16. Unique-Root invariant in Figure 28 asserts that a heap location which is observed as root has no incoming edges from any nodes in the domain of the heap and all nodes accessible from root is is observed as iterator. This invariant is part of enforcement for *acyclicity*.

$$\mathbf{UNQRT}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) = \left\{ \, \forall_{\rho \neq \epsilon}.\, \mathsf{iterator}\, tid \in O(h^*(\sigma.rt, \rho) \wedge \neg (\exists_{f'}.\, \sigma.rt = h(h^*(\sigma.rt, \rho), f')) \right\}$$

17. Unique-Path invariant in Figure 29 asserts that every node is reachable from root node with an unique path. This invariant is a part of acyclicity enforcement on the heap layout of the data structure.

$$\mathbf{UNQR}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) = \left\{ \forall_{\rho, \rho'} . \ h^*(\sigma.rt, \rho) \neq h^*(\sigma.rt, \rho') \implies \rho \neq \rho' \right\}$$

Fig. 29: Unique-Reachable

Each of these memory invariants captures different aspects of validity of the memory under RCU setting, WellFormed( $\sigma, O, U, T, F$ ), is defined as conjunction of all memory axioms.

#### A.3 Soundness Proof of Atoms

In this section, we do proofs to show the soundness of each type rule for each atomic actions.

# Lemma 15 (Unlink).

*Proof.* We assume

$$(\sigma, O, U, T, F) \in \llbracket \Gamma, x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \mathcal{N}, z : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho' \mathcal{N}', \\ r : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho'' \mathcal{N}'' \rrbracket_{M \ tid} * \{m\}$$

$$(1)$$

$$\mathsf{WellFormed}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) \tag{2}$$

From assumptions in the type rule of T-UNLINKH we assume that

$$\rho \cdot f_1 = \rho'$$
 and  $\rho' \cdot f_2 = \rho''$  and  $\mathcal{N}(f_1) = z$  and  $\mathcal{N}'(f_2) = r$  (3)

$$\forall_{f \in dom(\mathcal{N}')}. f \neq f_2 \implies \mathcal{N}'(f) = \text{null} \tag{4}$$

$$\forall_{n \in \Gamma, m, \mathcal{N}''', p''', f}. \, n : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho''' \, \mathcal{N}'''([f \rightharpoonup m]) \implies \begin{cases} ((\neg \mathsf{MayAlias}(\rho''', \{\rho, \rho', \rho''\})) \land (m \not\in \{z, r\})) \\ \land (\forall_{\rho'''' \neq \epsilon}. \, \neg \mathsf{MayAlias}(\rho''', \rho''. \rho''')) \end{cases}$$

$$(5)$$

We split the composition in 1 as

$$(\sigma_1, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1) \in \llbracket \Gamma, \ x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}, \ z : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho' \, \mathcal{N}', \\ r : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho'' \, \mathcal{N}'' \rrbracket_{M \, tid}$$

$$(6)$$

$$(\sigma_2, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) = m \tag{7}$$

$$\sigma_1 \bullet_s \sigma_2 = \sigma \tag{8}$$

$$O_1 \bullet_O O_2 = O \tag{9}$$

$$U_1 \cup U_2 = U \tag{10}$$

$$T_1 \cup T_2 = T \tag{11}$$

$$F_1 \uplus F_2 = F \tag{12}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma_1, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1) \tag{13}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma_2, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2)$$
(14)

We must show  $\exists_{\sigma'_1,\sigma'_2,O'_1,O'_2,U'_1,U'_2,T'_1,T'_2,F'_1,F'_2}$  such that

$$(\sigma_1', O_1', U_1', T_1', F_1') \in \llbracket \varGamma, \ x : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \rho \ \mathcal{N}([f_1 \rightharpoonup r]), \ z : \mathsf{unlinked}, r : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \rho' \ \mathcal{N}'' \rrbracket_{M,tid} \tag{15}$$

(16)

$$\mathcal{N}(f_1) = r \tag{17}$$

$$(\sigma_2', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2') \in \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \tag{18}$$

$$\sigma_1' \bullet_s \sigma_2' = \sigma' \tag{19}$$

$$O_1' \bullet_O O_2' = O' \tag{20}$$

$$U_1' \cup U_2' = U' \tag{21}$$

$$T_1' \cup T_2' = T' \tag{22}$$

$$F_1' \uplus F_2' = F' \tag{23}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$$

$$(24)$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma_2', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2')$$

$$(25)$$

We also know from operational semantics that the machine state has changed as

$$\sigma_1' = \sigma_1[h(s(x,tid), f_1) \mapsto s(r,tid)] \tag{26}$$

and 26 is determined by operational semantics.

The only change in the observation map is on s(y,tid) from iterator tid to unliked

$$O_1' = O_1(s(y, tid))[\text{iterator } tid \mapsto \text{unlinked}]$$
 (27)

28 follows from 1

$$T_1 = \{tid\} \text{ and } tid = \sigma.l$$
 (28)

 $\sigma'_1$  is determined by operational semantics. The undefined map, free list and  $T_1$  need not change so we can pick  $U'_1$  as  $U_1$ ,  $T'_1$  as  $T_1$  and  $F'_1$  as  $F_1$ . Assuming 6 and choices on maps makes  $(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1)$  in denotation

$$\llbracket \Gamma, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \, \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f \rightharpoonup r]), z : \mathsf{unlinked}, r : \mathsf{rcultr} \, \rho' \, \mathcal{N}'' \rrbracket_{M.tid}$$

In the rest of the proof, we prove 24, 25 and show the composition of  $(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$  and  $(\sigma'_2, O'_2, U'_2, T'_2, F'_2)$ . To prove 24, we need to show that each of the memory axioms in Section A.2 holds for the state  $(\sigma', O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$ .

Let  $o_x$  be  $\sigma.s(x,tid)$ ,  $o_y$  be  $\sigma.s(y,tid)$  and  $o_z$  be  $\sigma.s(z,tid)$ .

Case 4. -  $\mathbf{UNQR}$  29 and 30 follow from framing assumption(3-5), denotations of the precondition(6) and 13. $\mathbf{UNQR}$ 

$$\rho \neq \rho' \neq \rho'' \tag{29}$$

and

$$o_x \neq o_y \neq o_z \tag{30}$$

where  $o_x$ ,  $o_y$  and  $o_z$  are equal to  $\sigma.h^*(\sigma.rt, \rho)$ ,  $\sigma.h^*(\sigma.rt, \rho, f_1)$  and  $\sigma.h^*(\sigma.rt, \rho.f_1.f_2)$  respectively and they  $(o_x, o_y, o_z)$  and  $o_z$  are unique.

We must prove

$$h'^*(\sigma.rt, \rho) \neq h'^*(\sigma.rt, \rho.f_1) \implies \rho \neq \rho.f_1$$
 (31)

to show that uniqueness is preserved.

We know from operational semantics that root has not changed so

$$\sigma.rt = \sigma'.rt$$

From denotations (15) we know that all heap locations reached by following  $\rho$  and  $\rho.f_1$  are observed as iterator tid including the final reached heap locations(iterator  $tid \in O'_1(\sigma'.h^*(\sigma.rt,\rho))$ ) and iterator  $tid \in O'_1(\sigma'.h^*(\sigma.rt,\rho.f_1))$ . 17 is determined directly by operational semantics.

unlinked  $\in O'_1(o_y)$  follows from 27 and 26 which makes path  $\rho.f_1.f_2$  invalid(from denotation(15), all heap locations reaching to  $O'_1(o_r)$  from root( $\sigma.rt$ ) are observed as iterator tid so this proves that unlinked  $\in O'_1(o_y)$ ) cannot be observed on the path to the  $o_r$  which implies that  $f_2$  cannot be part of the path and uniqueness of the paths to  $o_x$  and  $o_r$  is preserved. So we conclude 32 and 33

$$\rho \neq \rho' \tag{32}$$

$$o_x \neq o_y \neq o_z \tag{33}$$

from which 31 follows.

Case 5. - **OW** By 13.**OW**, 26, 27.

Case 6. - **RWOW** By 13.**RWOW**, 26 and 27.

Case 7. - IFL By 13.WULK, 13.RINFL, 13.IFL, 27 and choice of  $F'_1$ .

Case 8. - **FLR** By choice of  $F'_1$  and 13.

Case 9. - WULK By 15, 27 and 28.

Case 10. -  $\mathbf{WF}$ ,  $\mathbf{FPI}$  and  $\mathbf{FR}$  Trivial.

Case 11. - **AWRT** By 15.

Case 12. - HD By 24.OW(proved), 13.HD and 26.

Case 13. - WNR By 13.WNR, 26, 27 and 28.

Case 14. - RINFL By 15, 13.RINFL, choice of  $F'_1$  and 26.

Case 15. - ULKR We must prove 34

$$\forall_{o',f'}. \sigma'.h(o',f') = o_y \implies \mathsf{unlinked} \in O'_1(o')$$

$$\vee (\mathsf{freeable} \in O'_1(o'))$$

$$(34)$$

which follows from 15, 13.**OW**, operational semantics(26) and 27. If o' were observed as iterator then that would conflict with 24.**UNQR**.

Case 16. - UNQRT: By 13.UNQRT, 27 and 26.

To prove 18 we need to show interference relation

$$(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) \mathcal{R}(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2')$$

which by definition means that we must show

$$\sigma_2.l \in T_2 \to (\sigma_2.h = \sigma_2'.h \land \sigma_2.l = \sigma_2'.l) \tag{35}$$

$$l \in T_2 \to F_2 = F_2' \tag{36}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \, \text{iterator} \, tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma_2.h)$$
 (37)

$$\forall tid, o. \text{ iterator } tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma'_2.h)$$
 (38)

$$O_2 = O_2' \wedge U_2 = U_2' \wedge T_2 = T_2' \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot R = \sigma_2' \cdot R \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot rt = \sigma_2' \cdot rt \tag{39}$$

$$\forall x, t \in T_2. \, \sigma_2. s(x, t) = \sigma_2'. s(x, t) \tag{40}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h) \tag{41}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h')$$
 (42)

To prove all relations (35-40) we assume 28 which is to assume  $T_2$  as subset of reader threads. Let  $\sigma'_2$  be  $\sigma_2$ .  $O_2$  need not change so we pick  $O'_2$  as  $O_2$ . Since  $T_2$  is subset of reader threads, we pick  $T_2$  as  $T'_2$ . We pick  $F'_2$  as  $F_2$ .

35 and 36 follow from 28 and choice of  $F'_2$ . 41, 42 and 39 are determined by choice of  $\sigma'_2$ , operational semantic and choices made on maps related to the assertions.

By assuming 14 we show 25. 37 and 38 follow trivially. 40 follows from choice of  $\sigma'_2$ , 26 and 28.

To prove 20 consider two cases:  $O_1' \cap O_2' = \emptyset$  and  $O_1' \cap O_2' \neq \emptyset$ . The first case is trivial. The second case is where we consider

iterator 
$$tid \in O'_2(o_y)$$

We also know from 27 that

$$\mathsf{unliked} \in O_1'(o_y)$$

Both together with 9 and 15 proves 20.

To show 19 we consider two cases:  $\sigma'_1.h \cap \sigma'_2.h = \emptyset$  and  $\sigma'_1.h \cap \sigma'_2.h \neq \emptyset$ . First is trivial. Second follows from 24.**OW-HD** and 25.**OW-HD**. 21, 22 and 23 are trivial by choices on related maps and semantics of composition operations on them. All compositions shown let us to derive conclusion for  $(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1) \bullet (\sigma'_2, O'_2, U'_2, T'_2, F'_2)$ .

# Lemma 16 (LinkFresh).

*Proof.* We assume

$$(\sigma, O, U, T, F) \in \llbracket \Gamma, \ p : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \rho \mathcal{N} \ , r : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \rho' \mathcal{N}' \ , n : \mathsf{rcuFresh} \ \mathcal{N}'' \rrbracket_{M,tid} * \{m\}$$

$$(43)$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma, O, U, T, F) \tag{44}$$

From assumptions in the type rule of T-LINKF we assume that

$$\mathsf{FV}(\Gamma) \cap \{p, r, n\} = \emptyset \tag{45}$$

$$\rho.f = \rho' \text{ and } \mathcal{N}(f) = r$$
(46)

$$\mathcal{N}' = \mathcal{N}'' \tag{47}$$

$$\forall_{x \in \Gamma, \mathcal{N}^{\prime\prime\prime}, \rho^{\prime\prime}, f^{\prime}, y}. \left(x : \mathsf{rcultr} \, \rho^{\prime\prime} \, \mathcal{N}^{\prime\prime\prime}([f^{\prime} \rightharpoonup y])\right) \implies \left(\neg \mathsf{MayAlias}(\rho^{\prime\prime}, \{\rho, \rho^{\prime}\}) \land (y \neq o)\right) \tag{48}$$

We split the composition in 43 as

$$(\sigma_1, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1) \in \llbracket \Gamma, p : \mathsf{rcultr} \, \rho \, \mathcal{N} \,, r : \mathsf{rcultr} \, \rho' \, \mathcal{N}' \,, n : \mathsf{rcuFresh} \, \mathcal{N}'' \rrbracket_{M,tid}$$

$$\tag{49}$$

$$(\sigma_2, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) = m \tag{50}$$

$$O_1 \bullet_O O_2 = O \tag{51}$$

$$\sigma_1 \bullet_s \sigma_2 = \sigma \tag{52}$$

$$U_1 \cup U_2 = U \tag{53}$$

$$T_1 \cup T_2 = T \tag{54}$$

$$F_1 \uplus F_2 = F \tag{55}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma_1, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1) \tag{56}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma_2, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) \tag{57}$$

We must show  $\exists_{\sigma'_1,\sigma'_2,O'_1,O'_2,U'_1,U'_2,T'_1,T'_2,F'_1,F'_2}$  such that

$$(\sigma_1', O_1', U_1', T_1', F_1') \in \llbracket p : \mathsf{rcultr} \, \rho \, \mathcal{N} \,, n : \mathsf{rcultr} \, \rho' \, \mathcal{N}'' \,, r : \mathsf{unlinked} \,, \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid} \quad (58)$$

$$\mathcal{N}(f) = n \tag{59}$$

$$(\sigma_2', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2') \in \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \tag{60}$$

$$O_1' \bullet_O O_2' = O' \tag{61}$$

$$\sigma_1' \bullet_s \sigma_2' = \sigma' \tag{62}$$

$$U_1' \cup U_2' = U' \tag{63}$$

$$T_1' \cup T_2' = T' \tag{64}$$

$$F_1' \uplus F_2' = F' \tag{65}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$$

$$(66)$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma_2', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2')$$

$$(67)$$

We also know from operational semantics that the machine state has changed as

$$\sigma_1' = \sigma_1[h(s(p, tid), f) \mapsto s(n, tid)] \tag{68}$$

59 is determined directly from operational semantics.

We know that changes in observation map are

$$O_1' = O_1(s(r, tid))[\text{iterator } tid \mapsto \text{unlinked}]$$
 (69)

and

$$O_1' = O_1(s(n, tid))[\mathsf{fresh} \mapsto \mathsf{iterator}\,tid]$$
 (70)

71 follows from 43

$$T_1 = \{tid\} \text{ and } tid = \sigma.l$$
 (71)

Let  $T_1'$  be  $T_1$ ,  $F_1'$  be  $F_1$  and  $\sigma_1'$  be determined by operational semantics. The undefined map need not change so we can pick  $U_1'$  as  $U_1$ . Assuming 49 and choices on maps makes  $(\sigma_1', O_1', U_1', T_1')$  in denotation

$$\llbracket p : \mathsf{rcultr} \, \rho \, \mathcal{N}(f \rightharpoonup r \setminus n) \,, n : \mathsf{rcultr} \, \rho' \, \mathcal{N}'' \,, r : \mathsf{unlinked} \,, \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid}$$

In the rest of the proof, we prove 66, 67 and show the composition of  $(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1)$  and  $(\sigma'_2, O'_2, U'_2, T'_2)$ . To prove 66, we need to show that each of the memory axioms in Section A.2 holds for the state  $(\sigma', O'_1, U'_1, T'_1)$ .

Case 17. - **UNQR** Let  $o_p$  be  $\sigma.s(p,tid)$ ,  $o_r$  be  $\sigma.s(r,tid)$  and  $o_n$  be  $\sigma.s(n,tid)$ . 71 and 73 follow from framing assumption(45-48), denotations of the precondition(49), 13.**FR** and 56.**UNQR** 

$$\rho \neq \rho.f \neq \forall_{\mathcal{N}'([f_i \rightharpoonup x_i])}. \rho.f.f_i \tag{72}$$

and

$$o_n \neq o_r \neq o_n \neq o_i \text{ where } o_i = h(o_r, f_i)$$
 (73)

where  $o_p$ ,  $o_r$  are  $\sigma.h^*(\sigma.rt, \rho)$ ,  $\sigma.h^*(\sigma.rt, \rho.f)$  respectively and they(heap locations in 73 and paths in 72) are unique(From 56.**FR**, we assume that there exists no field alias/path alias to heap location freshly allocated  $o_n$ ).

We must prove

$$\rho \neq \rho.f \neq \rho.f.f_i \iff \sigma'.h^*(\sigma.rt,\rho) \neq \sigma'.h^*(\sigma.rt,\rho.f)) \neq \sigma'.h^*(\sigma.rt,\rho.f.f_i))$$
(74)

We know from operational semantics that root has not changed so

$$\sigma.rt = \sigma'.rt$$

From denotations (58) we know that all heap locations reached by following  $\rho$  and  $\rho$  are observed as iterator tid including the final reached heap

locations(iterator  $tid \in O'_1(\sigma'.h^*(\sigma.rt,\rho))$ , iterator  $tid \in O'_1(\sigma'.h^*(\sigma.rt,\rho.f))$  and iterator  $tid \in O'_1(\sigma'.h^*(\sigma.rt,\rho.f.f_i))$ ). The preservation of uniqueness follows from 69, 70, 68 and 56.**FR**.

from which we conclude 75 and 76

$$\rho \neq \rho.f \neq \rho.f.f_i \tag{75}$$

$$o_p \neq o_n \neq o_r \tag{76}$$

from which 74 follows.

Case 18. - **OW** By 56.**OW**, 68, 69 and 70.

Case 19. - RWOW By  $56.\mathrm{RWOW},\,68,\,69$  and 70

Case 20. - AWRT Trivial.

Case 21. - IFL By 56.WULK, 69, 70 choice of  $F'_1$  and operational semantics.

Case 22. - **FLR** By choice of  $F'_1$  and 56.

Case 23. -  $\mathbf{FPI}$  By 58.

Case 24. -  $\mathbf{WULK}$  Determined by operational semantics By 56. $\mathbf{WULK}$ , 69, 70 and operational semantics.

Case~25. -  $\mathbf{WF}$  and  $\mathbf{FR}$  Trivial.

Case 26. - HD

Case 27. - WNR By 71 and operational semantics.

Case 28. - RINFL Determined by operational semantics (68) and 56.RINFL.

Case 29. - ULKR We must prove

$$\forall_{o',f'}.\ \sigma'.h(o',f') = o_r \implies \mathsf{unlinked} \in O_1'(o')$$
 
$$\mathsf{freeable} \in O_1'(o') \tag{77}$$

which follows from 58, 56.0W and determined by operational semantics(68), 69, 70. If o' were observed as iterator then that would conflict with 66.UNQR.

Case 30. - UNQRT By 56.UNQRT, 69, 70 and 68.

To prove 60, we need to show interference relation

$$(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) \mathcal{R}(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2')$$

which by definition means that we must show

$$\sigma_2.l \in T_2 \to (\sigma_2.h = \sigma_2'.h \land \sigma_2.l = \sigma_2'.l) \tag{78}$$

$$l \in T_2 \to F_2 = F_2' \tag{79}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \, \text{iterator} \, tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma_2.h)$$
 (80)

$$\forall tid, o. \text{ iterator } tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma'_2.h)$$
 (81)

$$O_2 = O_2' \wedge U_2 = U_2' \wedge T_2 = T_2' \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot R = \sigma_2' \cdot R \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot rt = \sigma_2' \cdot rt \tag{82}$$

$$\forall x, t \in T_2. \, \sigma_2.s(x, t) = \sigma_2'.s(x, t) \tag{83}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h)$$
 (84)

$$\forall tid, o. \, \mathsf{root} \, tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h') \tag{85}$$

To prove all relations (78-83) we assume 71 which is to assume  $T_2$  as subset of reader threads. Let  $\sigma'_2$  be  $\sigma_2$ ,  $F'_2$  be  $F_2$ .  $O_2$  need not change so we pick  $O'_2$  as  $O_2$ . Since  $T_2$  is subset of reader threads, we pick  $T_2$  as  $T'_2$ . By assuming 57 we show 67. 80 and 81 follow trivially. 83 follows from choice of  $\sigma'_2$ , 68 and 71.

78 and 79 follow from 71 and choice of  $F'_2$ . 82, 84 and 85 are determined by choice of  $\sigma'_2$ , operational semantics and choices made on maps related to the assertions.

To prove 61 consider two cases:  $O_1' \cap O_2' = \emptyset$  and  $O_1' \cap O_2' \neq \emptyset$ . The first case is trivial. The second case is where we consider 86 and 87

iterator 
$$tid \in O_2'(o_r)$$
 (86)

From 69 we know that

unliked 
$$\in O'_1(o_r)$$

Both together with 51 and 58 proves 61.

For case 87

$$fresh \in O_2(o_n) \tag{87}$$

From 70 we know that

iterator 
$$tid \in O'_1(o_n)$$

Both together with 51 and 58 proves 61.

To show 62 we consider two cases:  $\sigma'_1 \cap \sigma'_2 = \emptyset$  and  $\sigma'_1 \cap \sigma'_2 \neq \emptyset$ . First is trivial. Second follows from 66.**OW-HD** and 67.**OW-HD**. 63, 65 and 64 are trivial by choices on related maps and semantics of the composition operators for these maps. All compositions shown let us to derive conclusion for  $(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1) \bullet (\sigma'_2, O'_2, U'_2, T'_2, F'_2)$ .

### Lemma 17 (ReadStack).

$$\begin{split} & [\![z := x]\!] (\lfloor [\![\Gamma , z : \_ , x : \mathit{rcultr} \ \rho \ \mathcal{N}]\!]_{M,tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \subseteq \\ & \quad \lfloor [\![\Gamma , x : \mathit{rcultr} \ \rho \ \mathcal{N} , z : \mathit{rcultr} \ \rho \ \mathcal{N}]\!] * \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \rfloor \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* We assume

$$(\sigma, O, U, T, F) \in \llbracket \Gamma, z : \_, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \rho \ \mathcal{N} \rrbracket_{M, tid} * \{ m \}$$

$$(88)$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma, O, U, T, F)$$
(89)

From the assumption in the type rule of T-READS we assume that

$$\mathsf{FV}(\varGamma) \cap \{z\} = \emptyset \tag{90}$$

We split the composition in 88 as

$$(\sigma, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1) \in \llbracket \Gamma, z : \_, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \rho \ \mathcal{N} \rrbracket_{M,tid}$$

$$(91)$$

$$(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) = m \tag{92}$$

$$\sigma_1 \bullet \sigma_2 = \sigma \tag{93}$$

$$O_1 \bullet_O O_2 = O \tag{94}$$

$$U_1 \cup U_2 = U \tag{95}$$

$$T_1 \cup T_2 = T \tag{96}$$

$$F_1 \uplus F_2 = F \tag{97}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma_1, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1)$$
(98)

$$WellFormed(\sigma_2, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) \tag{99}$$

We must show  $\exists_{\sigma'_1,\sigma'_2,O'_1,O'_2,U'_1,U'_2,T'_1,T'_2,F'_1,F'_2}$  such that

$$(\sigma', O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1) \in \llbracket \Gamma, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \rho \ \mathcal{N}, z : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \rho \ \mathcal{N} \rrbracket_{M,tid} \tag{100}$$

$$(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2') \in \mathcal{R}(\{m\})$$
(101)

$$\sigma_1' \bullet \sigma_2' = \sigma' \tag{102}$$

$$O_1' \bullet_O O_2' = O' \tag{103}$$

$$U_1' \cup U_2' = U' \tag{104}$$

$$T_1' \cup T_2' = T' \tag{105}$$

$$F_1' \uplus F_2' = F' \tag{106}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$$

$$\tag{107}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma_2', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2')$$

$$\tag{108}$$

Let s(x, tid) be  $o_x$ . We also know from operational semantics that the machine state has changed as

$$\sigma' = \sigma[s(z, tid) \mapsto o_x] \tag{109}$$

We know that there exists no change in the observation of heap locations

$$O_1' = O_1 (110)$$

111 follows from 88

$$T_1 = \{tid\} \text{ and } tid = \sigma.l$$
 (111)

 $\sigma'_1$  is determined by operational semantics. The undefined map,  $T_1$  and free list need not change so we can pick  $U'_1$  as  $U_1$ ,  $T'_1$  as  $T_1$  and  $F'_1$  as  $F_1$ . Assuming 91 and choices on maps makes  $(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1)$  in denotation

$$\llbracket \Gamma, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \rho \ \mathcal{N}, z : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \rho \ \mathcal{N} \rrbracket_{M,tid}$$

In the rest of the proof, we prove 107, 108 and show the composition of  $(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$  and  $(\sigma'_2, O'_2, U'_2, T'_2, F'_2)$ . 107 follows from 98 trivially.

To prove 101, we need to show interference relation

$$(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) \mathcal{R}(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2')$$

which by definition means that we must show

$$\sigma_2.l \in T_2 \to (\sigma_2.h = \sigma_2'.h \land \sigma_2.l = \sigma_2'.l) \tag{112}$$

$$l \in T_2 \to F_2 = F_2' \tag{113}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \, \mathsf{iterator} \, tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma_2.h) \tag{114}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \, \text{iterator} \, tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma'_2.h)$$
 (115)

$$O_2 = O_2' \wedge U_2 = U_2' \wedge T_2 = T_2' \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot R_2 = \sigma_2' \cdot R_2 \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot rt = \sigma_2' \cdot rt$$
 (116)

$$\forall x, t \in T_2. \, \sigma_2. s(x, t) = \sigma_2'. s(x, t) \tag{117}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h)$$
 (118)

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h')$$
(119)

To prove all relations (112-117) we assume 111 which is to assume  $T_2$  as subset of reader threads. Let  $\sigma'_2$  be  $\sigma_2$ .  $O_2$  need not change so we pick  $O'_2$  as  $O_2$ . We pick  $F'_2$  as  $F_2$ . Since  $T_2$  is subset of reader threads, we pick  $T_2$  as  $T'_2$ . By assuming 99 we show 108. 114, 115, 118 and 119 follow trivially. 117 follows from choice of  $\sigma'_2$  and 109(determined by operational semantics).

112 and 113 follow from 111 and choice of  $F'_2$ . 116, 118 and 119 are determined by choice of  $\sigma'_2$ , operational semantics and choices made on maps related to the assertions.

103-106 are trivial by choices on related maps and semantics of the composition operators for these maps. 102 follows trivially from 93. All compositions shown let us to derive conclusion for  $(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1) \bullet (\sigma'_2, O'_2, U'_2, T'_2, F'_2)$  trivial.

## Lemma 18 (ReadHeap).

$$[\![z := x.f]\!](\lfloor [\![\Gamma, z : \_, x : rcultr \rho \mathcal{N}]\!]_{M,tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \subseteq$$
$$|\![\Gamma, x : rcultr \rho \mathcal{N}[f \mapsto z], z : rcultr \rho' \mathcal{N}_{\emptyset}]\!] * \mathcal{R}(\{m\})|$$

*Proof.* We assume

$$(\sigma, O, U, T, F) \in \llbracket \Gamma, z : \mathsf{rcultr}_{-}, x : \mathsf{rcultr}_{-}, x : \mathsf{rcultr}_{-} \rho \ \mathcal{N} \rrbracket_{M, tid} * \{m\} \tag{120}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma, O, U, T, F)$$
 (121)

From the assumption in the type rule of T-READH we assume that

$$\mathsf{FV}(\varGamma) \cap \{z\} = \emptyset \tag{122}$$

$$\rho.f = \rho' \tag{123}$$

(124)

We split the composition in 120 as

$$(\sigma_1, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1) \in \llbracket \Gamma, z : \mathsf{rcultr}_-, x : \mathsf{rcultr}_-, x : \mathsf{rcultr}_- \rho \ \mathcal{N} \rrbracket_{M,tid}$$
 (125)

$$(\sigma_2, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) = m \tag{126}$$

$$\sigma_1 \bullet \sigma_2 = \sigma \tag{127}$$

$$O_1 \bullet_O O_2 = O \tag{128}$$

$$U_1 \cup U_2 = U \tag{129}$$

$$T_1 \cup T_2 = T \tag{130}$$

$$F_1 \uplus F_2 = F \tag{131}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma_1, O_1, U_1, T_1) \tag{132}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma_2, O_2, U_2, T_2) \tag{133}$$

We must show  $\exists_{\sigma'_1, \sigma'_2, O'_1, O'_2, U'_1, U'_2, T'_1, T'_2, F'_1, F'_2}$  such that

$$(\sigma', O_1', U_1', T_1', F_1) \in \llbracket \Gamma, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \, \rho \, \mathcal{N}[f \mapsto z] \,, z : \mathsf{rcultr} \, \rho' \, \mathcal{N}_{\emptyset} \rrbracket_{M,tid} \tag{134}$$

$$\mathcal{N}(f) = z \tag{135}$$

$$(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2) \in \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \tag{136}$$

$$\sigma_1' \bullet \sigma_2' = \sigma' \tag{137}$$

$$O_1' \bullet_O O_2' = O' \tag{138}$$

$$U_1' \cup U_2' = U' \tag{139}$$

$$T_1' \cup T_2' = T' \tag{140}$$

$$F_1' \uplus F_2' = F' \tag{141}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1) \tag{142}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma_2', O_2', U_2', T_2') \tag{143}$$

Let h(s(z,tid),f) be  $o_z$ . We also know from operational semantics that the machine state has changed as

$$\sigma_1' = \sigma_1[s(x, tid) \mapsto o_z] \tag{144}$$

135 is determined directly from operational semantics.

We know that there exists no change in the observation of heap locations

$$O_1' = O_1 \tag{145}$$

146 follows from 120

$$T_1 = \{tid\} \text{ and } tid = \sigma.l$$
 (146)

 $\sigma_1'$  is determined by operational semantics. The undefined map, free list and  $T_1$  need not change so we can pick  $U_1'$  as  $U_1$ ,  $F_1'$  as  $F_1$  and  $T_1'$  and  $T_1$ . Assuming 125 and choices on maps makes  $(\sigma_1', O_1', U_1', T_1')$  in denotation

$$\llbracket \Gamma, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \, \rho \, \mathcal{N}[f \mapsto z] \,, z : \mathsf{rcultr} \, \rho' \, \mathcal{N}_{\emptyset} \rrbracket_{M,tid}$$

In the rest of the proof, we prove 142, 143 and show the composition of  $(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1)$  and  $(\sigma'_2, O'_2, U'_2, T'_2)$ .

To prove 136, we need to show that each of the memory axioms in Section A.2 holds for the state  $(\sigma', O'_1, U'_1, T'_1)$ .

Case 31. - UNQR By 144, 132.UNQR and  $\sigma.rt = \sigma.rt'$ .

Case 32. - **OW** By 144, 145 and 132.**OW** 

Case 33. - RWOW By 144, 145 and 132.RWOW

Case 34. - AWRT Trivial.

Case 35. - IFL By 134, 132. WULK, 145, choice of  $F'_1$  and operational semantics.

Case 36. - **FLR** By operational semantics (144), choice for  $F'_1$  and 132.

Case 37. - WULK By 132.WULK, 145 and operational semantics  $(\sigma . l = \sigma . l')$ .

Case 38. - WF, FNR, FPI and FR Trivial.

Case 39. - HD

Case 40. - WNR By 146 and operational semantics  $(\sigma . l = \sigma . l')$ .

Case 41. - RINFL By operational semantics (144) bounding threads have not changed. We choose  $F'_1$  as  $F_1$ . These two together with 132 shows RINFL.

Case 42. - ULKR Trivial.

Case 43. - UNQRT By 132.UNQRT, 145 and 144.

To prove 136, we need to show interference relation

$$(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) \mathcal{R}(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2')$$

which by definition means that we must show

$$\sigma_2.l \in T_2 \to (\sigma_2.h = \sigma_2'.h \land \sigma_2.l = \sigma_2'.l) \tag{147}$$

$$l \in T_2 \to F_2 = F_2' \tag{148}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \text{ iterator } tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma_2.h)$$
 (149)

$$\forall tid, o. \text{ iterator } tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma'_2.h)$$
 (150)

$$O_2 = O_2' \wedge U_2 = U_2' \wedge T_2 = T_2' \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot R_2 = \sigma_2' \cdot R_2 \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot rt = \sigma_2' \cdot rt \tag{151}$$

$$\forall x, t \in T_2. \, \sigma_2. s(x, t) = \sigma_2'. s(x, t) \tag{152}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h)$$
 (153)

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h')$$
 (154)

To prove all relations (147-152) we assume 146 which is to assume  $T_2$  as subset of reader threads. Let  $\sigma'_2$  be  $\sigma_2$  and  $F'_2$  be  $F_2$ .  $O_2$  need not change so we pick  $O'_2$  as  $O_2$ . Since  $T_2$  is subset of reader threads, we pick  $T_2$  as  $T'_2$ . By assuming 133 we show 143. 149 and 150 follows trivially. 152 follows from choice of  $\sigma'_2$  and 144(determined by operational semantics).

147 and 148 follow from 146 and choice of  $F'_2$ .151, 153 and 154 are determined by choice of  $\sigma'_2$ , operational semantics and choices made on maps related to the assertions.

138-141 are trivial by choices on related maps and semantics of the composition operators for these maps. 137 follows trivially from 127. All compositions shown let us to derive conclusion for  $(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1) \bullet (\sigma'_2, O'_2, U'_2, T'_2, F'_2)$ .

# Lemma 19 (WriteFreshField).

$$\llbracket p.f := z \rrbracket (\lfloor \llbracket \Gamma, p : \mathit{rcuFresh} \mathcal{N}'_{f,\emptyset}, \ x : \mathit{rcultr} \ \rho \ \mathcal{N} \rrbracket_{M,tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \subseteq \\ | \llbracket \Gamma, p : \mathit{rcuFresh} \ \mathcal{N}(\cup_{f \to z}), x : \mathit{rcultr} \rho \mathcal{N}([f \to z]) \rrbracket * \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) |$$

*Proof.* We assume

$$(\sigma, O, U, T, F) \in \llbracket \Gamma, p : \mathsf{rcuFresh} \, \mathcal{N}'_{f,\emptyset}, \ x : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \rho \ \mathcal{N} \rrbracket_{M,tid} * \{m\}$$
 (155)

$$WellFormed(\sigma, O, U, T, F)$$
 (156)

From the assumption in the type rule of T-WRITEFH we assume that

$$z : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho.f \ _{-} \text{ and } \mathcal{N}(f) = z \text{ and } f \notin dom(\mathcal{N}')$$
 (157)

We split the composition in 155 as

$$(\sigma, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1) \in \llbracket \Gamma, p : \mathsf{rcuFresh} \, \mathcal{N}'_{f,\emptyset}, \ x : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \rho \ \mathcal{N} \rrbracket_{M,tid} \tag{158}$$

$$(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) = m \tag{159}$$

$$\sigma_1 \bullet \sigma_2 = \sigma \tag{160}$$

$$O_1 \bullet_O O_2 = O \tag{161}$$

$$U_1 \cup U_2 = U \tag{162}$$

$$T_1 \cup T_2 = T \tag{163}$$

$$F_1 \uplus F_2 = F \tag{164}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma_1, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1) \tag{165}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma_2, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) \tag{166}$$

We must show  $\exists_{\sigma'_1,\sigma'_2,O'_1,O'_2,U'_1,U'_2,T'_1,T'_2,F'_1,F'_2}$  such that

$$(\sigma', O_1', U_1', T_1', F_1') \in \llbracket \Gamma, p : \mathsf{rcuFresh} \ \mathcal{N}(\cup_{f \rightharpoonup z}), x : \mathsf{rcultr} \, \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f \rightharpoonup z]) \rrbracket_{M,tid} \tag{167}$$

$$\mathcal{N}(f) = z \wedge \mathcal{N}'(f) = z \tag{168}$$

$$(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2') \in \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \tag{169}$$

$$\sigma_1' \bullet \sigma_2' = \sigma' \tag{170}$$

$$O_1' \bullet_O O_2' = O' \tag{171}$$

$$U_1' \cup U_2' = U' \tag{172}$$

$$T_1' \cup T_2' = T' \tag{173}$$

$$F_1' \uplus F_2' = F' \tag{174}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$$

$$\tag{175}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma_2', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2')$$

$$\tag{176}$$

We also know from operational semantics that the machine state has changed as

$$\sigma' = \sigma[h(s(p, tid), f) \mapsto s(z, tid)] \tag{177}$$

There exists no change in the observation of heap locations

$$O_1' = O_1$$
 (178)

179 follows from 155

$$T_1 = \{tid\} \text{ and } tid = \sigma.l$$
 (179)

 $\sigma_1'$  is determined by operational semantics. The undefined map, free list,  $T_1$  need not change so we can pick  $U_1'$  as  $U_1$ ,  $T_1'$  as  $T_1$  and  $F_1'$  as  $F_1$ . Assuming 158 and choices on maps makes  $(\sigma_1', O_1', U_1', T_1')$  in denotation

$$\llbracket \Gamma, p : \mathsf{rcuFresh} \ \mathcal{N}(\cup_{f \rightharpoonup z}), x : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \rho \ \mathcal{N}(\lceil f \rightharpoonup z \rceil) \rrbracket_{M.tid}$$

In the rest of the proof, we prove 175 and 176 and show the composition of  $(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$  and  $(\sigma'_2, O'_2, U'_2, T'_2, F'_2)$ . To prove 175, we need to show that each of the memory axioms in Section A.2 holds for the state  $(\sigma', O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$ .

Case 44. - UNQR By 165.UNQR, 175.FR(proved) and  $\sigma.rt = \sigma.rt'$ .

Case 45. - **OW** By 177,178 and 165.**OW** 

Case 46. - RWOW By 177, 178 and 165.RWOW

Case 47. - AWRT Trivial.

Case 48. - IFL By 165.WULK, 178, choice of  $F'_1$  and operational semantics.

Case 49. - **FLR** By operational semantics (177), choice of  $F'_1$  and 165.

Case 50. - WULK By 165.WULK, 178 and operational semantics ( $\sigma l = \sigma l'$ ).

Case 51. - WF By 165.WF, 179, 178 and operational semantics(177).

Case 52. - FR By 165.FR, 179, 178 and operational semantics(177).

Case 53. - FNR By 165.FNR, 179, 178 and operational semantics(177).

Case 54. - **FPI** By 165.**FPI**, 158 and 157

Case 55. - HD

Case 56. - WNR By 179 and operational semantics  $(\sigma . l = \sigma . l')$ .

Case 57. - **RINFL** By operational semantics (177 - bounding threads have not changed), choice of  $F'_1$  and 165.

 $Case\ 58.$  - **ULKR** Trivial.

Case 59. - UNQRT By 165.UNQRT, 178 and 177.

To prove 169, we need to show interference relation

$$(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) \mathcal{R}(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2')$$

which by definition means that we must show

$$\sigma_2.l \in T_2 \to (\sigma_2.h = \sigma_2'.h \land \sigma_2.l = \sigma_2'.l) \tag{180}$$

$$l \in T_2 \to F_2 = F_2' \tag{181}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \text{ iterator } tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma_2.h)$$
 (182)

$$\forall tid, o. \text{ iterator } tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma'_2.h)$$
 (183)

$$O_2 = O_2' \wedge U_2 = U_2' \wedge T_2 = T_2' \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot R = \sigma_2' \cdot R \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot rt = \sigma_2' \cdot rt \tag{184}$$

$$\forall x, t \in T_2. \, \sigma_2.s(x, t) = \sigma_2'.s(x, t) \tag{185}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h)$$
 (186)

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h')$$
 (187)

To prove all relations (180-185) we assume 179 which is to assume  $T_2$  as subset of reader threads and 166. Let  $\sigma'_2$  be  $\sigma_2$  and  $F'_2$  be  $F_2$ .  $O_2$  need not change so we pick  $O'_2$  as  $O_2$ . Since  $T_2$  is subset of reader threads, we pick  $T_2$  as  $T'_2$ . By assuming 166 we show 176. 182 and 183 follows trivially. 185 follows from choice of  $\sigma'_2$  and 177(determined by operational semantics).

180 and 181 follow from 179 and choice of  $F'_2$ . 184 are determined by operational semantics, choice of  $\sigma'_2$  and choices made on maps related to the assertions.

172-174 are trivial by choices on related maps and semantics of the composition operators for these maps. 186 and 187 follow from choice of  $\sigma'_2$ .

 $O'_1 \bullet O'_2$  follows from 161, 178 and choice of  $O_2$ .

We assume  $\sigma_1.h \bullet \sigma_2.h$ . We know from 157 that  $f \notin dom(\mathcal{N}')$ . From 167, 175-176.**FNR**, 175-176.**RITR** and 175-176.**WNR** we show  $\sigma'_1.h \bullet \sigma'_2.h$  (with choices for other maps in the machine state we show 137). All compositions shown let us to derive conclusion for  $(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1) \bullet (\sigma'_2, O'_2, U'_2, T'_2)$ .

## Lemma 20 (Sycn).

*Proof.* We assume

$$(\sigma, O, U, T, F) \in \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M, tid} * \{m\}$$

$$\tag{188}$$

$$\mathsf{WellFormed}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) \tag{189}$$

We split the composition in 188 as

$$(\sigma, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1) \in \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid}$$
 (190)

$$(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) = m \tag{191}$$

$$\sigma_1 \bullet \sigma_2 = \sigma \tag{192}$$

$$O_1 \bullet_O O_2 = O \tag{193}$$

$$U_1 \cup U_2 = U \tag{194}$$

$$T_1 \cup T_2 = T \tag{195}$$

$$F_1 \uplus F_2 = F \tag{196}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1)$$
(197)

$$WellFormed(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2)$$
(198)

We must show  $\exists_{\sigma_1',\sigma_2',O_1',O_2',U_1',U_2',T_1',T_2'},F_1',F_2'$  such that

$$(\sigma', O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1) \in \llbracket \Gamma[\overline{x : \mathsf{freeable}}/x : \mathsf{unlinked}] \rrbracket_{M,tid}$$
 (199)

$$(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2') \in \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \tag{200}$$

$$\sigma_1' \bullet \sigma_2' = \sigma' \tag{201}$$

$$O_1' \bullet_O O_2' = O' \tag{202}$$

$$U_1' \cup U_2' = U' \tag{203}$$

$$T_1' \cup T_2' = T' \tag{204}$$

(205)

$$F_1' \uplus F_2' = F'$$
 (206)

$$WellFormed(\sigma', O_1', U_1', T_1', F_1')$$

$$(207)$$

$$\mathsf{WellFormed}(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2') \tag{208}$$

We also know from operational semantics that SyncStart changes

$$\sigma_1'.B = \sigma_1.B[\emptyset \mapsto R] \tag{209}$$

Then SyncStop changes it to  $\emptyset$  so there exists no change in B after SyncStart;SyncStop. So there is no change in machine state.

$$\sigma_1' = \sigma_1 \tag{210}$$

There exists no change in the observation of heap locations

$$O_1' = O_1(\forall_{x \in \Gamma}. s(x, tid))[\text{unlinked} \mapsto \text{freeable}]$$
 (211)

and we pick free list to be

$$F_1' = F_1(\forall_{x: \mathsf{unlinked} \in \Gamma, T \subset R}. \, s(x, tid)[T \mapsto \{\emptyset\}]) \tag{212}$$

213 follows from 188

$$T_1 = \{tid\} \text{ and } tid = \sigma.l$$
 (213)

Let  $T_1'$  be  $T_1$  and  $\sigma_1'$  (not changed) be determined by operational semantics. The undefined map need not change so we can pick  $U_1'$  as  $U_1$ . Assuming 190 and choices on maps makes  $(\sigma_1', O_1', U_1', T_1', F_1')$  in denotation

$$\llbracket \Gamma [\overline{x: \mathsf{freeable}} / x: \mathsf{unlinked}] 
bracket]_{M,tid}$$

In the rest of the proof, we prove 207 and 208 and show the composition of  $(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$  and  $(\sigma'_2, O'_2, U'_2, T'_2, F'_2)$ . To prove 207, we need to show that each of the memory axioms in Section A.2 holds for the state  $(\sigma', O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$  which is trivial by assuming 197. We also know 199(as we showed the support of state to the denotation).

To prove 200, we need to show interference relation

$$(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) \mathcal{R}(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2')$$

which by definition means that we must show

$$\sigma_2.l \in T_2 \to (\sigma_2.h = \sigma'_2.h \land \sigma_2.l = \sigma'_2.l)$$
 (214)

$$l \in T_2 \to F_2 = F_2' \tag{215}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \text{ iterator } tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma_2.h)$$
 (216)

$$\forall tid, o. \text{ iterator } tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma'_2.h)$$
 (217)

$$O_2 = O_2' \wedge U_2 = U_2' \wedge T_2 = T_2' \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot R = \sigma_2' \cdot R \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot rt = \sigma_2' \cdot rt \tag{218}$$

$$\forall x, t \in T_2. \, \sigma_2. s(x, t) = \sigma_2'. s(x, t) \tag{219}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h)$$
 (220)

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h')$$
 (221)

To prove all relations (214-219) we assume 213 which is to assume  $T_2$  as subset of reader threads and 198. Let  $\sigma'_2$  be  $\sigma_2$ .  $O_2$  need not change so we pick  $O'_2$  as  $O_2$ . Since  $T_2$  is subset of reader threads, we pick  $T_2$  as  $T'_2$ . By assuming 198 we show 208. 216 and 217 follows trivially. 219 follows from choice of  $\sigma'_2$  and 210(determined by operational semantics).

214 and 215 follow from 213. 218 are determined by choice of  $\sigma_2'$  and operational semantics and choices made on maps related to the assertions.

203-206 follow from 193-196 trivially by choices on maps of logical state and semantics of composition operators. 201 follow from 192, 210-213 and choice of  $\sigma_2'$ . All compositions shown let us to derive conclusion for  $(\sigma_1', O_1', U_1', T_1', F_1') \bullet (\sigma_2', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2')$ .

## Lemma 21 (Alloc).

$$\llbracket x := new \rrbracket (\lfloor \llbracket \Gamma, x : undef \rrbracket_{M,tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \subseteq \\ \lfloor \llbracket \Gamma, x : rcuFresh \mathcal{N}_{\emptyset} \rrbracket * \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \rfloor$$

Proof. We assume

$$(\sigma, O, U, T, F) \in \llbracket \Gamma, x : \mathsf{undef} \rrbracket_{M, tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \tag{222}$$

$$\mathsf{WellFormed}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) \tag{223}$$

We split the composition in 222 as

$$(\sigma, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1) \in [\Gamma, x : \mathsf{undef}]_{M,tid}$$
 (224)

$$(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) = m \tag{225}$$

$$\sigma_1 \bullet \sigma_2 = \sigma \tag{226}$$

$$O_1 \bullet_O O_2 = O \tag{227}$$

$$U_1 \cup U_2 = U \tag{228}$$

$$T_1 \cup T_2 = T \tag{229}$$

$$F_1 \uplus F_2 = F \tag{230}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1) \tag{231}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) \tag{232}$$

We must show  $\exists_{O'_1,O'_2,U'_1,U'_2,T'_1,T'_2,F'_1,F'_2}$  such that

$$(\sigma', O_1', U_1', T_1', F_1') \in \llbracket \Gamma, x : \mathsf{rcuFresh} \,\mathcal{N}_{\emptyset} \rrbracket \tag{233}$$

$$(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2') \in \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \tag{234}$$

$$\sigma_1' \bullet \sigma_2' = \sigma' \tag{235}$$

$$O_1' \bullet_O O_2' = O' \tag{236}$$

$$U_1' \cup U_2' = U' \tag{237}$$

$$T_1' \cup T_2' = T' \tag{238}$$

$$F_1' \uplus F_2' = F' \tag{239}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma', O_1', U_1', T_1') \tag{240}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2') \tag{241}$$

From operational semantics we know that s(y,tid) is  $\ell$ . We also know from operational semantics that the machine state has changed as

$$\sigma' = \sigma[h(\ell) \mapsto \mathsf{nullmap}] \tag{242}$$

There exists no change in the observation of heap locations

$$O_1' = O_1(\ell)[\mathsf{undef} \mapsto \mathsf{fresh}]$$
 (243)

244 follows from 222

$$T_1 = \{tid\} \text{ and } tid = \sigma.l$$
 (244)

Let  $T'_1$  to be  $T_1$ . Undefined map and free list need not change so we can pick  $U'_1$  as  $U_1$  and  $F'_1$  as  $F_1$  and show(233) that  $(\sigma', O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$  is in denotation of

$$\llbracket \Gamma, x : \mathsf{rcuFresh} \, \mathcal{N}_{\emptyset} \rrbracket$$

In the rest of the proof, we prove 240, 241 and  $(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$  and  $(\sigma'_2, O'_2, U'_2, T'_2, F'_2)$ . To prove 240, we need to show that each of the memory axioms in Section A.2 holds for the state  $(\sigma', O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$ .

Case 60. - **UNQR** Determined by 233 and operational semantics( $\ell$  is fresh-unique).

Case 61. - **RWOW**, **OW** By 233

Case 62. - AWRT Determined by operational semantics ( $\ell$  is fresh-unique).

Case 63. - IFL, ULKR, WULK, RINFL, UNQRT Trivial.

Case 64. - FLR determined by operational semantics and 233.

Case 65. - **WF** By 244, 233 and 243.

Case 66. - FR Determined by operational semantics ( $\ell$  is fresh-unique).

Case 67. - FNR By 233 and operational semantics ( $\ell$  is fresh-unique).

Case 68. - **FPI** By 233 and  $\mathcal{N}_{f,\emptyset}$ .

Case 69. - HD

Case 70. - WNR By 244.

To prove 234, we need to show interference relation

$$(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) \mathcal{R}(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2')$$

which by definition means that we must show

$$\sigma_2.l \in T_2 \to (\sigma_2.h = \sigma_2'.h \land \sigma_2.l = \sigma_2'.l) \tag{245}$$

$$l \in T_2 \to F_2 = F_2' \tag{246}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \, iterator \, tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma_2.h)$$
 (247)

$$\forall tid, o. \text{ iterator } tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma'_2.h)$$
 (248)

$$O_2 = O_2' \wedge U_2 = U_2' \wedge T_2 = T_2' \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot R = \sigma_2' \cdot R \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot rt = \sigma_2' \cdot rt \tag{249}$$

$$\forall x, t \in T. \, \sigma_2.s(x, t) = \sigma_2'.s(x, t) \tag{250}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h)$$
 (251)

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h')$$
 (252)

To prove all relations (245-252) we assume 244 which is to assume  $T_2$  as subset of reader threads and 232. Let  $\sigma'_2$  be  $\sigma_2$ .  $F_2$  and  $O_2$  need not change so we pick  $O'_2$  as  $O_2$  and  $F'_2$  as  $F_2$ . Since  $T_2$  is subset of reader threads, we pick  $T_2$  as  $T'_2$ . By assuming 232 and choices on maps we show 241. 247 and 248 follow trivially. 250 follows from choice of  $\sigma'_2$  and 242(determined by operational semantics). 236-239 follow from 227-230, semantics of compositions operators and choices made for maps of the logical state.

245 and 246 follow from 244 and choice on  $F_2'$ . 249 are determined by operational semantics, operational semantics and choices made on maps related to the assertion.

 $\sigma_1'.h \cap \sigma_2'.h = \emptyset$  is determined by operational semantics( $\ell$  is unique and fresh). So, 235 follows from 226 and choice of  $\sigma_2'$ . All compositions shown let us to derive conclusion for  $(\sigma_1', O_1', U_1', T_1', F_1') \bullet (\sigma_2', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2')$ .

#### Lemma 22 (Free).

$$\llbracket Free(x) \rrbracket (\lfloor \llbracket x : freeable \rrbracket_{M,tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \subseteq$$
  
 $\lfloor \llbracket x : undef \rrbracket * \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \rfloor$ 

*Proof.* We assume

$$(\sigma, O, U, T, F) \in \llbracket x : \mathsf{freeable} \rrbracket_{M,tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \tag{253}$$

$$\mathsf{WellFormed}(\sigma, O, U, T, F) \tag{254}$$

We split the composition in 253 as

$$(\sigma, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1) \in \llbracket x : \mathsf{freeable} \rrbracket_{M,tid} \tag{255}$$

$$(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) = m \tag{256}$$

$$\sigma_1 \bullet \sigma_2 = \sigma \tag{257}$$

$$O_1 \bullet_O O_2 = O \tag{258}$$

$$U_1 \cup U_2 = U \tag{259}$$

$$T_1 \cup T_2 = T \tag{260}$$

$$F_1 \uplus F_2 = F \tag{261}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1)$$
 (262)

$$WellFormed(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) \tag{263}$$

We must show  $\exists_{O'_1,O'_2,U'_1,U'_2,T'_1,T'_2,F'_1,F'_2}$  such that

$$(\sigma', O_1', U_1', T_1', F_1') \in [x : \mathsf{undef}]$$
 (264)

$$(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2') \in \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \tag{265}$$

$$\sigma_1' \bullet \sigma_2' = \sigma' \tag{266}$$

$$O_1' \bullet_O O_2' = O' \tag{267}$$

$$U_1' \cup U_2' = U' \tag{268}$$

$$T_1' \cup T_2' = T' \tag{269}$$

$$F_1' \uplus F_2' = F' \tag{270}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma', O_1', U_1', T_1') \tag{271}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2') \tag{272}$$

From operational semantics we know that

$$\sigma_1' = \sigma_1 \tag{273}$$

There exists no change in the observation of heap locations

$$O_1' = O_1(s(x, tid))[\text{freeable} \mapsto \text{undef}]$$
 (274)

$$F_1' = F_1 \setminus \{s(x, tid) \mapsto \{\emptyset\}\}$$
 (275)

$$U_1' = U_1 \cup \{(x, tid)\} \tag{276}$$

277 follows from 253

$$T_1 = \{tid\} \text{ and } tid = \sigma.l$$
 (277)

Let  $T_1'$  to be  $T_1$ . All 273-276 show(264) that  $(\sigma', O_1', U_1', T_1', F_1')$  is in denotation of

$$[\![x:\mathsf{undef}]\!]$$

In the rest of the proof, we prove 271, 27224, 25 and show the composition of  $(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$  and  $(\sigma'_2, O'_2, U'_2, T'_2, F'_2)$ .. To prove 271, we need to show that each of the memory axioms in Section A.2 holds for the state  $(\sigma', O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$  and it it trivial by 273-276 and 264.

To prove 265, we need to show interference relation

$$(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2)\mathcal{R}(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2')$$

which by definition means that we must show

$$\sigma_2.l \in T_2 \to (\sigma_2.h = \sigma_2'.h \land \sigma_2.l = \sigma_2'.l) \tag{278}$$

$$l \in T_2 \to F_2 = F_2' \tag{279}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \text{ iterator } tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma_2.h)$$
 (280)

$$\forall tid, o. \text{ iterator } tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma'_2.h)$$
 (281)

$$O_2 = O_2' \wedge U_2 = U_2' \wedge T_2 = T_2' \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot R = \sigma_2' \cdot R \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot rt = \sigma_2' \cdot rt \tag{282}$$

$$\forall x, t \in T. \, \sigma_2.s(x, t) = \sigma_2'.s(x, t) \tag{283}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h)$$
 (284)

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h')$$
 (285)

To prove all relations (278-285) we assume 277 which is to assume  $T_2$  as subset of reader threads and 232. Let  $\sigma_2'$  be  $\sigma_2$ .  $F_2$  and  $O_2$  need not change so we pick  $O_2'$  as  $O_2$  and  $F_2'$  as  $F_2$ . Since  $T_2$  is subset of reader threads, we pick  $T_2$  as  $T_2'$ . By assuming 232 and choices on maps we show 272. 280 and 281 follow trivially. 283 follows from choice of  $\sigma_2'$  and 273(determined by operational semantics). 267-270 follow from 259-261, semantics of composition operators and choices on related maps.

278 and 279 follow from 277 and choice on  $F_2'$ . 282 are determined by operational semantics, choice of  $\sigma_2'$  and choices made on maps related to the assertion.

Composition for heap for case  $\sigma'_1.h \cap \sigma'_2.h = \emptyset$  is trivial.  $\sigma'_1.h \cap \sigma'_2.h \neq \emptyset$  is determined by semantics of heap composition operator  $\bullet_h(v)$  has precedence over undef) and this makes showing 267 straightforward. Since other machine components do not change(determined by operational semantics), 266 follows from 257, 273 and choice of  $\sigma'_2$ . All compositions shown let us to derive conclusion for  $(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1) \bullet (\sigma'_2, O'_2, U'_2, T'_2, F'_2)$ .

### Lemma 23 (RReadStack).

$$[z := x](\lfloor [\Gamma, z : rcultr, x : rcultr]_{R,tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \subseteq |[\Gamma, x : rcultr, z : rcultr] * \mathcal{R}(\{m\})|$$

*Proof.* We assume

$$(\sigma, O, U, T, F) \in \llbracket \Gamma, \Gamma, z : \mathsf{rcultr}, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \rrbracket_{R, tid} * \{m\}$$
 (286)

$$WellFormed(\sigma, O, U, T, F)$$
 (287)

We split the composition in 286 as

$$(\sigma_1, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1) \in \llbracket \Gamma, \Gamma, z : \mathsf{rcultr}, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \rrbracket_{R,tid}$$
(288)

$$(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) = m \tag{289}$$

$$O_1 \bullet_O O_2 = O \tag{290}$$

$$\sigma_1 \bullet \sigma_2 = \sigma \tag{291}$$

$$U_1 \cup U_2 = U \tag{292}$$

$$T_1 \cup T_2 = T \tag{293}$$

$$F_1 \uplus F_2 = F \tag{294}$$

$$\mathsf{WellFormed}(\sigma, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1) \tag{295}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) \tag{296}$$

We must show  $\exists_{O'_1,O'_2,U'_1,U'_2,T'_1,T'_2,F'_1,F'_2}$  such that

$$(\sigma', O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1) \in [\Gamma, x : rcultr, z : rcultr]_{R,tid}$$
 (297)

$$(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2') \in \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \tag{298}$$

$$O_1' \bullet_O O_2' = O' \tag{299}$$

$$\sigma_1' \bullet \sigma_2' = \sigma' \tag{300}$$

$$U_1' \cup U_2' = U' \tag{301}$$

$$T_1' \cup T_2' = T' \tag{302}$$

$$F_1' \uplus F_2' = F' \tag{303}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma', O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$$

$$(304)$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2') \tag{305}$$

We also know from operational semantics that the machine state has changed as

$$\sigma_1' = \sigma_1 \tag{306}$$

There exists no change in the observation of heap locations

$$O_1' = O_1$$
 (307)

308 follows from 286

$$T_1 \subseteq R \tag{308}$$

Let  $T_1'$  be  $T_1$  and  $\sigma_1'$  be determined by operational semantics as  $\sigma_1$ . The undefined map and free list need not change so we can pick  $U_1'$  as  $U_1$  and  $F_1'$  as  $F_1$ . Assuming 288 and choices on maps makes  $(\sigma_1', O_1', U_1', T_1', F_1')$  in denotation

$$\llbracket \Gamma, x : \mathsf{rcultr}, z : \mathsf{rcultr} \rrbracket_{R,tid}$$

In the rest of the proof, we prove 304, 30524, 25 and show the composition of  $(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$  and  $(\sigma'_2, O'_2, U'_2, T'_2, F'_2)$ . To prove 304, we need to show that

each of the memory axioms in Section A.2 holds for the state  $(\sigma', O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$  which is trivial by assuming 295 and knowing 308, 307 and components of the state determined by operational semantics.

To prove 305, we need to show that WellFormedness is preserved under interference relation

$$(\sigma, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) \mathcal{R}(\sigma', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2')$$

which by definition means that we must show

$$\sigma_2.l \in T_2 \to (\sigma_2.h = \sigma_2'.h \land \sigma_2.l = \sigma_2'.l) \tag{309}$$

$$l \in T_2 \to F_2 = F_2' \tag{310}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \text{ iterator } tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma_2.h)$$
 (311)

$$\forall tid, o. \text{ iterator } tid \in O_2(o) \to o \in dom(\sigma'_2.h)$$
 (312)

$$O_2 = O_2' \wedge U_2 = U_2' \wedge T_2 = T_2' \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot B = \sigma_2' \cdot B \wedge \sigma_2 \cdot rt = \sigma_2' \cdot rt$$
 (313)

$$\forall x, t \in T_2. \, \sigma_2. s(x, t) = \sigma_2'. s(x, t) \tag{314}$$

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h)$$
 (315)

$$\forall tid, o. \operatorname{root} tid \in O(o) \to o \in dom(h')$$
 (316)

 $\sigma_2$ ,  $O_2$ ,  $U_2$  and  $T_2$  need not change so that we choose  $\sigma_2'$  to be  $\sigma_2'$ ,  $O_2'$  to be  $O_2$ ,  $U_2'$  to  $U_2$  and  $U_2'$  to be  $U_2$ . Let  $U_2'$  be  $U_2$ . These choices make proving 309-316 trivial and 299-302 follow from assumptions 290-294, choices made for related maps and semantics of composition operations. All compositions shown let us derive conclusion for  $(\sigma_1', O_1', U_1', T_1', F_1') \bullet (\sigma_2', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2')$ .

# Lemma 24 (RReadHeap).

$$[z := x.f](\lfloor [\Gamma, z : rcultr, x : rcultr]_{R,tid} * \{m\} \rfloor) \subseteq |[\Gamma, x : rcultr, z : rcultr] * \mathcal{R}(\{m\})|$$

*Proof.* We assume

$$(\sigma, O, U, T, F) \in \llbracket \Gamma, z : \mathsf{rcultr}, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \rrbracket_{R.tid} * \{m\} \mid) \tag{317}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma, O, U, T, F)$$
(318)

We split the composition in 317 as

$$(\sigma_1, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1) \in \llbracket \Gamma, z : \mathsf{rcultr}, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \rrbracket_{R,tid}$$
(319)

$$(\sigma_2, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) = m \tag{320}$$

$$\sigma_1 \bullet \sigma_2 = \sigma \tag{321}$$

$$O_1 \bullet_O O_2 = O \tag{322}$$

$$U_1 \cup U_2 = U \tag{323}$$

$$T_1 \cup T_2 = T \tag{324}$$

$$F_1 \uplus F_2 = F \tag{325}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma_1, O_1, U_1, T_1, F_1)$$
(326)

$$WellFormed(\sigma_2, O_2, U_2, T_2, F_2) \tag{327}$$

We must show  $\exists_{\sigma'_1,\sigma'_2,O'_1,O'_2,U'_1,U'_2,T'_1,T'_2,F'_1,F'_2}$  such that

$$(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1) \in | \llbracket \Gamma, x : \mathsf{rcultr}, z : \mathsf{rcultr} \rrbracket$$
 (328)

$$(\sigma_2', O_2', U_2', T_2', F_2') \in \mathcal{R}(\{m\}) \tag{329}$$

$$\sigma_1' \bullet \sigma_2' = \sigma' \tag{330}$$

$$O_1' \bullet_O O_2' = O' \tag{331}$$

$$U_1' \cup U_2' = U' \tag{332}$$

$$T_1' \cup T_2' = T' \tag{333}$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma'_1, O'_1, U'_1, T'_1, F'_1)$$

$$(334)$$

$$WellFormed(\sigma'_2, O'_2, U'_2, T'_2, F'_2)$$

$$(335)$$

Let h(s(x, tid), f) be  $o_x$ . We also know from operational semantics that the machine state has changed as

$$\sigma_1' = \sigma_1[s(z, tid) \mapsto o_x] \tag{336}$$

There exists no change in the observation of heap locations

$$O_1' = O_1 (337)$$

338 follows from 317

$$T_1 \subseteq R \tag{338}$$

Proof is similar to Lemma 23.

#### A.4 Soundness Proof of Structural Program Actions

In this section, we introduce soundness Theorem 3 for structural rules of the type system. We consider the cases of the induction on derivation of  $\Gamma \vdash C \dashv \Gamma$  for all type systems, R, M.

Although we have proofs for read-side structural rules, we only present proofs for write-side structural type rules in this section as read-side rules are simple versions of write-side rules and proofs for them are trivial and already captured by proofs for write-side structural rools.

# Theorem 3 (Type System Soundness).

$$\forall_{\Gamma,\Gamma',C}.\,\Gamma \vdash C \dashv \Gamma' \implies \llbracket \Gamma \vdash C \dashv \Gamma' \rrbracket$$

*Proof.* Induction on derivation of  $\Gamma \vdash_M C \dashv \Gamma$ .

Case 71. -M: consequence where C has the form  $\Gamma \vdash_M C \dashv \Gamma'''$ . We know

$$\Gamma' \vdash_M C \dashv \Gamma'' \tag{339}$$

$$\Gamma \prec : \Gamma'$$
 (340)

$$\Gamma'' \prec : \Gamma'''$$
 (341)

$$\{\llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} C \{\llbracket \Gamma'' \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} \tag{342}$$

We need to show

$$\{\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid}\} C\{\llbracket \Gamma''' \rrbracket_{M,tid}\} \tag{343}$$

The  $\prec$ : relation translated to entailment relation in Views Logic. The relation is established over the action judgement for identity label/transition

From 340 and Lemma 25 we know

$$\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid} \sqsubseteq \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{M,tid} \tag{344}$$

From 341 and 25 we know

$$\llbracket \Gamma'' \rrbracket_{M.tid} \sqsubseteq \llbracket \Gamma''' \rrbracket_{M.tid} \tag{345}$$

By using 344, 345 and 342 as antecedentes of Views Logic's consequence rule, we conclude 343.

Case 72. -M: where C is sequence statement. C has the form  $C_1; C_2$ . Our goal is to prove

$$\{ \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} \vdash_M C_1; C_2 \dashv \{ \llbracket \Gamma'' \rrbracket_{M,tid} \}$$
 (346)

We know

$$\Gamma \vdash_M C_1 \dashv \Gamma' \tag{347}$$

$$\Gamma' \vdash_M C_2 \dashv \Gamma'' \tag{348}$$

$$\{ \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} C_1 \{ \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} \tag{349}$$

$$\{ [\![\Gamma']\!]_{M,tid} \} C_2 \{ [\![\Gamma'']\!]_{M,tid} \}$$
(350)

By using 349 and 350 as the antecedents for the Views sequencing rule, we can derive the conclusion for 346.

Case 73. -M: where C is loop statement. C has the form while (x)  $\{C\}$ .

$$\Gamma \vdash_M C \dashv \Gamma \tag{351}$$

$$\Gamma(x) = \mathsf{bool} \tag{352}$$

$$\{\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid}\} C\{\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid}\} \tag{353}$$

Our goal is to prove

$$\{\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid}\} (assume(x); C)^*; assume(\neg x)\{\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid}\}$$
(354)

We prove 354 by from the consequence rule, based on the proofs of the following 355 and 356

$$\{\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M.tid}\} (assume(x); C)^* \{\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M.tid}\}$$
(355)

$$\{ \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} assume (\neg x) \{ \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid} \}$$

$$(356)$$

The poof of 355 follows from Views Logic's proof rule for assume construct by using

$$\{ \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} assume(x) \{ \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid} \}$$

as antecedant. We can use this antecedant together with the antecedent we know from 353

$$\{ \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} C \{ \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid} \}$$

as antecedents to the Views Logic's proof rule for sequencing. Then we use the antecedent

$$\{ \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} assume \left( x \right); C\{ \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid} \}$$

to the proof rule for nondeterministic looping.

The proof of 356 follows from Views Logic's proof rule for assume construct by using the  $\,$ 

$$\{ \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M.tid} \} assume (\neg x) \{ \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M.tid} \}$$

as the antecedent.

Case 74. -M: where C is a loop statement. C has the form  $while(x.f \neq \mathtt{null})\{C\}$  Proof is similar to the one for T-LOOP1.

Case 75. -M: case where C is branch statement. C has the form  $if(e) then\{C_1\}else\{C_2\}$ .

$$\Gamma, x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f_1 \rightharpoonup z]) \vdash_M C_1 \dashv \Gamma'$$
 (357)

$$\Gamma, x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f_2 \to z]) \vdash_M C_2 \dashv \Gamma'$$
 (358)

$$\{ \llbracket \Gamma, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \rho \ \mathcal{N}(\lceil f_1 \rightharpoonup z \rceil) \rrbracket_{M.tid} \} C_1 \{ \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{M.tid} \}$$
 (359)

$$\{ \llbracket \Gamma, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \rho \ \mathcal{N}([f_2 \rightharpoonup z]) \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} C_2 \{ \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{M,tid} \}$$
 (360)

Our goal is to prove

$$\begin{aligned} & \{ \llbracket \varGamma, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \; \rho \; \mathcal{N}([f_1|f_2 \rightharpoonup z]) \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} \\ & y = x.f_1; (assume \, (z = y) \, ; C_1) + (assume \, (y \neq z) \, ; C_2) \\ & \{ \llbracket \varGamma' \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} \end{aligned}$$

where the desugared form includes a fresh variable y. We use fresh variables just for desugaring and they are not included in any type context. We prove361 from the consequence rule of Views Logic based on the proofs of the following 362 and 363

$$\{\llbracket \Gamma, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \rho \ \mathcal{N}([f_1|f_2 \rightharpoonup z]) \rrbracket_{M,tid} \}$$

$$(assume \ (z = y) \ ; C_1) + (assume \ (y \neq z) \ ; C_2)$$

$$\{\llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{M,tid} \}$$

$$(362)$$

and

$$\begin{split} & \{ \llbracket \Gamma, x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}[f_1|f_2 \rightharpoonup z] \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} \\ & y = x.f_1 \\ & \{ \llbracket \Gamma, x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f_1|f_2 \rightharpoonup z]) \llbracket_{M,tid} \cap \llbracket x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f_1 \rightharpoonup y]) \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} \end{split}$$
 (363)

363 is trivial from the fact that y is a fresh variable and it is not included in any type context and just used for desugaring.

We prove 362 from the branch rule of Views Logic based on the proofs of the following 364 and 365

$$\begin{aligned} & \{ \llbracket \Gamma, x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f_1|f_2 \rightharpoonup z]) \rrbracket_{M,tid} \cap \\ & \llbracket x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f_1 \rightharpoonup y]) \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} \\ & (assume \, (z = y) \, ; C_1) \\ & \{ \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \{ \llbracket \Gamma, x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f_1|f_2 \rightharpoonup z]) \rrbracket_{M,tid} \cap \\ & \llbracket x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f_1 \rightharpoonup y]) \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} \\ & (assume \, (z \neq y) \, ; C_2) \\ & \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} \end{aligned}$$
 (365)

We show 364 from Views Logic's proof rule for the assume construct by using

$$\begin{split} & \{ \llbracket \Gamma, x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f_1|f_2 \rightharpoonup z]) \rrbracket_{M,tid} \cap \\ & \llbracket x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f_1 \rightharpoonup y]) \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} \\ & assume \, (y = z) \\ & \{ \llbracket \Gamma, x : \operatorname{rcultr} \rho \, \mathcal{N}([f_1 \rightharpoonup z]) \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} \end{split}$$

as the antecedent. We can use this antecedent together with

$$\{ \llbracket \Gamma, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \rho \mathcal{N}([f_1 \rightharpoonup z]) \rrbracket_{M.tid} \} C_1 \{ \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{M.tid} \}$$

as antecedents to the View's Logic's proof rule for sequencing.

We show 365 from Views Logic's proof rule for the assume construct by using

$$\begin{split} & \{ \llbracket \varGamma, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \; \rho \; \mathcal{N}([f_1|f_2 \rightharpoonup z]) \cap \\ & x : \mathsf{rcultr} \; \rho \; \mathcal{N}([f_1 \rightharpoonup y]) \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} \\ & assume(x \neq y) \\ & \{ \llbracket \varGamma, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \; \rho \; \mathcal{N}([f_2 \rightharpoonup z]) \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} \end{split}$$

as the antecedent. We can use this antecedent together with

$$\{\llbracket \Gamma, x : \mathsf{rcultr} \rho \mathcal{N}([f_2 \rightharpoonup z]) \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} C_2 \{\llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{M,tid} \}$$

as antecedents to the Views Logic's proof rule for sequencing.

Case 76. -M: case where C is branch statement. C has the form  $if(x.f == null)then\{C_1\}else\{C_2\}$ . Proof is similar to one for T-Branch1.

Case 77. -O: parallel where C has the form  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash_O C_1 || C_2 \dashv \Gamma_1', \Gamma_2'$  We know

$$\Gamma_1 \vdash C_1 \dashv \Gamma_1' \tag{366}$$

$$\Gamma_2 \vdash C_2 \dashv \Gamma_2' \tag{367}$$

$$\{ \llbracket \Gamma_1 \rrbracket \} C_1 \{ \llbracket \Gamma_1' \rrbracket \} \tag{368}$$

$$\{ \| \Gamma_2 \| \} C_2 \{ \| \Gamma_2' \| \} \tag{369}$$

We need to show

$$\{ \llbracket \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rrbracket \} C_1 || C_2 \{ \llbracket \Gamma_1', \Gamma_2' \rrbracket \}$$
(370)

By using 368 and 369 as antecedents to Views Logic's parallel rule, we can draw conclusion for 371

$$\{ \llbracket \Gamma_1 \rrbracket * \llbracket \Gamma_2 \rrbracket \} C_1 || C_2 \{ \llbracket \Gamma_1' \rrbracket * \llbracket \Gamma_2' \rrbracket \}$$

$$(371)$$

Showing 370 requires showing

$$\llbracket \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rrbracket \sqsubseteq \llbracket \Gamma_1 \rrbracket * \llbracket \Gamma_2 \rrbracket \tag{372}$$

$$\llbracket \Gamma_1' \rrbracket * \llbracket \Gamma_2' \rrbracket \sqsubseteq \llbracket \Gamma_1', \Gamma_2' \rrbracket \tag{373}$$

By using 372 and 373(trivial to show as "," and "\*" for denotation of type contexts are both semantically equivalent to  $\cap$ ) as antecedents to Views Logic's consequence rule, we can conclude 370.

Case 78. -M where C has form RCUWrite x.f as y in  $\bar{s}$  which desugars into

WriteBegin; 
$$x.f := y; \bar{s}; WriteEnd$$

We assume from the rule TORCUWRITE

$$\Gamma, y : \mathsf{rcultr} \ \_ \vdash_M \bar{s} \dashv \Gamma'$$
 (374)

$$\mathsf{FType}(f) = \mathsf{RCU} \tag{375}$$

$$\mathsf{NoFresh}(\Gamma') \tag{376}$$

$$NoUnlinked(\Gamma') \tag{377}$$

$$\{ \llbracket \Gamma, y : \mathsf{rcultr} \, \_ \rrbracket_{M.tid} \} \bar{s} \{ \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{M.tid} \} \tag{378}$$

Our goal is to prove

$$\{ \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M,tid} \} \text{WriteBegin}; x.f := y; \text{WriteEnd} \{ \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{M,tid} \}$$
 (379)

Proof starts with application of the sequence rule. Assumptions 376-377 guarantee that there exists no change in the state(no heap update) due to any action in the body  $\bar{s}$  which includes x.f := y. 379 follows from assumptions 374-378 trivially.

#### Lemma 25 (Context-SubTyping-M).

$$\Gamma \prec: \Gamma' \implies \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{M.tid} \sqsubseteq \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{M.tid}$$

*Proof.* Induction on the subtyping derivation. Then inducting on the first entry in the non-empty context(empty case is trivial) which follows from 27.

Lemma 26 (Context-SubTyping-R).

$$\Gamma \prec : \Gamma' \implies \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket_{R,tid} \sqsubseteq \llbracket \Gamma' \rrbracket_{R,tid}$$

*Proof.* Induction on the subtyping derivation. Then inducting on the first entry in the non-empty context(empty case is trivial) which follows from 28.

Lemma 27 (Singleton-SubTyping-M).

$$x:T \prec: x:T' \implies [x:T]_{M \ tid} \sqsubseteq [x:T']_{R \ tid}$$

*Proof.* Proof by case analysis on structure of T' and T. Important case includes the subtyping relation is defined over components of rcultr type. T' including approximation on the path component

$$\rho.f_1 \prec: \rho.f_1|f_2$$

together with the approximation on the field map

$$\mathcal{N}([f_1 \rightharpoonup \_]) \prec: \mathcal{N}([f_1|f_2 \rightharpoonup \_])$$

lead to subset inclusion in between a set of states defined by denotation of the x:T' the set of states defined by denotation of the x:T(which is also obvious for T-SuB). Reflexive relations and relations capturing base cases in subtyping are trivial to show.

Lemma 28 (Singleton-SubTyping-R).

$$x:T \prec: x:T' \implies [x:T]_{M.tid} \sqsubseteq [x:T']_{M.tid}$$

*Proof.* Proof is similar to 27 with a single trivial reflexive derivation relation (T-TSuB2)

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## B RCU BST Delete

```
void delete( int data) {
 WriteBegin;
 // Find data in the tree
 // Root is never empty and its value is unique id
 BinaryTreeNode\ current,\ parent=root;
 \{parent : rcuItr \in \{\}\}
 current = parent.Right;
 \{parent : rcuItr \in \{Right \mapsto current\}\}
 \{current : rcuItr Right \{\}\}
 while (current! = null \&\&current.data! = data)
  \{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{ (Left|Right) \mapsto current \} \}
  current: rcuItr(Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right) \}
   if (current.data > data)
    //if data exists it's in the left subtree
    parent = current;
    \{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{\}\}
    \{current : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \}
    current = parent.Left;
    \left\{parent: rcuItr\; (Left|Right)^k\; \{Left \mapsto current\}\right\}
    \left\{ current : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k.Left \left\{ 
ight\} 
ight\}
   else\ if\ (current.data < data)
    //if data exists it's in the right subtree
    parent = current;
    \left\{parent : rcuItr \left(Left|Right\right)^{k} \left\{\right\}\right\}
    \left\{ current : rcuItr \left( Left|right \right)^k \left\{ \right\} \right\}
    current = current.Right;
    \{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{Right \mapsto current\}\}
    \{current : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k.Right \{\}\}
 \{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{(Left|Right) \mapsto current\}\}
  current : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k . (Left|Right) \{\}
 // At this point, we've found the node to remove
 BinaryTreeNode\ lmParent = current.Right;
 BinaryTreeNode\ currentL = current.Left;
 \{current : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right) \{Left \mapsto currentL, Right \mapsto lmParent\}\}
  \left\{ currentL: rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right).Left\ \left\{ 
ight\} 
ight\}
 \left\{lmParent: rcuItr\ Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right).Right\ \left\{
ight\}
ight\}
```

```
// We now need to "rethread" the tree
// CASE 1: If current has no right child, then current's left child becomes
// the node pointed to by the parent
if\ (current.Right == null)
  \left\{parent: rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k\ \{(Left|Right)\mapsto current\}\right\}
  \left\{ current : rcuItr \left( Left|Right \right)^k . \left( Left|Right \right) \left\{ Left \mapsto currentL, Right \mapsto null \right\} \right\}
  \{currentL : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right).Left \{\}\}
 if (parent.Left == current)
   // parent.Value ¿ current.Value, so make current's left child a left child of parent
   \{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{Left \mapsto current\}\}
    \{current : rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.Left\ \{Left \mapsto currentL, Right \mapsto null\}\}
   \left\{ currentL: rcuItr \left( Left|Right \right)^k.Left.Left \left\{ 
ight\} 
ight\}
  parent.Left = currentL;
   // parent. Value ; current. Value, so make current's left child a left child of parent
   \{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{Left \mapsto current\}\}
   \{current : unlinked\}
    \left\{ currentL: rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.Left\ \left\{
ight\}
ight\}
 else
   // parent.Value ; current.Value, so make current's left child a right child of parent
   \left\{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \left\{Right \mapsto current\right\}\right\}
    \{current : rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.Right\ \{Left \mapsto currentL, Right \mapsto null\}\}
   \{currentL : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k.Right.Left \{\}\}
  parent.Right = currentL;
   // parent. Value ; current. Value, so make current's left child a left child of parent
   \{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{Right \mapsto current\}\}
    currentL: rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.Right\ \{\}\}
   \{current : unlinked\}
   SyncStart;
   SyncStop;
   \{current : freeable\}
   Free(current);
   \{current : undef\}
```

```
// CASE 2: If current's right child has no left child, then current's right child
// replaces current in the tree
else\ if\ (current.Left == null)
  \left\{parent : rcuItr \left(Left|Right\right)^k \left\{\left(Left|Right\right) \mapsto current\right\}\right\}
  \{current : rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right)\ \{Left \mapsto null, Right \mapsto lmParent\}\}
  \left\{currentL: rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right).Left\ \left\{
ight\}
ight\}
  \{lmParent: rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right).Right\ \{\}\}
 if (parent.Left == current)
   \left\{ \stackrel{\smile}{parent} : rcuItr \left( Left|Right \right)^k \left\{ Left \mapsto current \right\} \right\}
    current : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k.Left \{Left \mapsto null, Right \mapsto lmParent\}\}
   \{lmParent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k.Left.Right \{\}\}
   // parent. Value ¿ current. Value, so make current's right child a left child of parent
   parent.Left = lmParent;
   \{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{Left \mapsto lmParent\}\}
   \{current : unlinked\}
   \left\{lmParent:rcuItr\;(Left|Right)^k.Left\;\{\}\right\}
    \{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{Right \mapsto current\}\}
    current : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k.Right \{Left \mapsto null, Right \mapsto lmParent\}\}
   \{lmParent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k.Right.Right \{\}\}
   // parent. Value; current. Value, so make current's right child a right child of parent
   parent.Right = lmParent;
   \left\{parent: rcuItr\; (Left|Right)^k\; \{Right\mapsto lmParent\}\right\}
   \{lmParent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k.Right \{\}\}
   \{current: unlinked\}
   SyncStart;
   SyncStop;
   \{current: freeable\}
   Free(current);
   \{current : undef\}
```

```
// CASE 3: If current's right child has a left child, replace current with current's
// right child's left-most descendent
else
  \{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{ (Left|Right) \mapsto current \} \}
  \{current : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k. (Left|Right) \} \{Right \mapsto lmParent, Left \mapsto currentL\} \}
  \{lmParent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k . (Left|Right) . Right \{\}\}
  \{currentL: rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right).Left\ \{\}\}
 // We first need to find the right node's left-most child
 BinaryTreeNode\ currentF = new;
 \{currentF : rcuFresh\}
 currentF.Right = lmParent;
 \{currentF : rcuFresh \{Right \mapsto lmParent\}\}
 currentF.Left = currentL;
 \{currentF : rcuFresh \{Right \mapsto lmParent, Left \mapsto currentL\}\}
 BinaryTreeNode\ leftmost = lmParent.Left;
 \{lmParent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k . (Left|Right) . Right \{Left \mapsto leftmost\}\}
  \left\{leftmost: rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right).Right.Left\ \left\{
ight\}
ight\}
 if (lmParent.Left == null) \{
 \{lmParent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k . (Left|Right) . Right \{Left \mapsto null\}\}
  currentF.data = lmParent.data;
  if (parent.Left == current) \{
     \{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{Left \mapsto current\}\}
     \{current : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k. Left \{Right \mapsto lmParent, Left \mapsto currentL\}\}
    \{currentF : rcuFresh \{Right \mapsto lmParent, Left \mapsto currentL\}\}
    //current's right child a left child of parent
    parent.Left = currentF;
    \{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{Left \mapsto currentF\}\}
    \{current : unlinked\}
     \{currentF : rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k. Left\ \{Right \mapsto lmParent, Left \mapsto currentL\}\}
    SyncStart;
    SyncStop;
    \{current: freeable\}
    Free(current);
    \{current : undef\}
   }
  else{}
     parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{Right \mapsto current\} \}
     \{current: rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.Right\ \{Right\mapsto lmParent, Left\mapsto currentL\}\}
    \{currentF : rcuFresh \{Right \mapsto lmParent, Left \mapsto currentL\}\}
    //current's right child a right child of parent
    parent.Right = currentF;
    \{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{Right \mapsto currentF\}\}
    \{current : unlinked\}
     \{currentF : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k.Right \{Right \mapsto lmParent, Left \mapsto currentL\}\}
    SyncStart:
    SyncStop;
    \{current : freeable\}
    Free(current);
    \{current : undef\}
```

```
else{}
 \{lmParent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k . (Left|Right) . Right \{Left \mapsto leftmost\}\}
 \left\{leftmost: rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right).Right.Left\ \left\{\right\}\right\}
 while (leftmost.Left! = null)
   \{lmParent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k . (Left|Right) . Right. Left(Left)^l \{Left \mapsto leftmost\}\}
   \left\{leftmost: rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right).Right.Left(Left)^l.Left\ \{\}
ight\}
  lmParent = leftmost;
   \{lmParent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right).Right.Left(Left)^l.Left \{\}\}
   \{leftmost: rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k. (Left|Right). Right. Left(Left)^l. Left\ \{\}\}
  leftmost = lmParent.Left;
   \{lmParent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right).Right.Left(Left)^l.Left \{Left \mapsto leftmost\}\}
    \{leftmost: rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right).Right.Left(Left)^l.Left.Left\ \{\}\}
 currentF.data = leftmost.data;
 if (parent.Left == current) \{
   \{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{Left \mapsto current\}\}
   \{current : rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.Left\ \{Right \mapsto lmParent, Left \mapsto currentL\}\}
  \{currentF: rcuFresh \{Right \mapsto lmParent, Left \mapsto currentL\}\}
  //current's right child a left child of parent
  parent.Left = currentF;
   \{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{Left \mapsto currentF\}\}
   \{current : unlinked\}
   \{currentF : rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k. Left\ \{Right \mapsto lmParent, Left \mapsto currentL\}\}
  SyncStart;
  SyncStop;
  \{current: freeable\}
  Free(current);
  \{current : undef\}
 else{}
   \{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{Right \mapsto current\}\}
   \{current : rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.Right\ \{Right \mapsto lmParent, Left \mapsto currentL\}\}
  \{currentF : rcuFresh \{Right \mapsto lmParent, Left \mapsto currentL\}\}
  //current's right child a right child of parent
  parent.Right = currentF;
   \{parent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k \{Right \mapsto currentF\}\}
   \{current : unlinked\}
   \{currentF : rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.Right\ \{Right \mapsto lmParent, Left \mapsto currentL\}\}
  SyncStart;
  SyncStop;
  \{current: freeable\}
  Free(current);
  \{current : undef\}
```

```
\{lmParent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k . (Left|Right) . Right . Left(Left)^l \{Left \mapsto leftmost\}\}
   \left\{leftmost: rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right).Right.Left(Left)^l.Left\ \{Left\mapsto null\}
ight\}
   BinaryTreeNode\ leftmostR = leftmost.Right;
   \left\{ leftmost: rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^{k}.(Left|Right).Right.Left(Left)^{l}.Left\ \{Left\mapsto null, Right\mapsto leftmostR\} \right\}
   \{lmParent : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k . (Left|Right) . Right . Left(Left)^l \{Left \mapsto leftmost\}\}
   \left\{leftmostR: rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right).Right.Left(Left)^l.Left.Right\ \{\}
ight\}
   // the parent's left subtree becomes the leftmost's right subtree
  lmParent.Left = leftmostR;
   \{leftmost: unlinked\}
   \left\{lmParent: rcuItr\ (Left|Right)^k.(Left|Right).Right.Left(Left)^l\ \{Left\mapsto leftmostR\}\right\}
   \{leftmostR : rcuItr (Left|Right)^k . (Left|Right) . Right . Left (Left)^l . Left \{\}\}
  \dot{S}yncStart;
  SyncStop;
   \{leftmost: freeable\}
  Free(leftmost);
   \{leftmost: undef\}
WriteEnd;
```

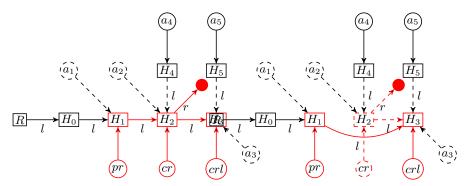
## C RCU Bag with Linked-List

```
BagNode\ head;
int member (int toRead) {
 ReadBegin;
 int \ result = 0;
 {parent: undef, head: rcuRoot}
 BagNode\ parent = head;
 \{parent: rcuItr\}
 \{current: \_\}
 current = parent.Next;
 \{current : rcuItr, parent : rcuItr\}
 {current : rcuItr}
 while(current.data! = toRead\&\&current.Next \neq null){
  {parent: rcuItr}
  \{current : rcuItr\}
  parent = current; \\
  current = parent.Next; \\
  {parent: rcuItr}
  \{current : rcuItr\}
 \{parent:rcuItr\}
 \{current: rcuItr\}
 result = current.data;
 ReadEnd;
 return result;
```

```
void remove (int toDel ) {
 WriteBegin;
 BagNode\ current,\ parent=head;
 current = parent.Next;
 \{current : rcuItr\ Next\ \{\}\}
 \{parent: rcuItr \; \epsilon \; \{Next \mapsto current\}\}
 while (current.Next! = null \& \& current.data \neq toDel) {
   \{parent : rcuItr\ (Next)^k\ \{Next \mapsto current\}\}
   \left\{ current : rcuItr\ Next.(Next)^k.Next\ \left\{ 
ight\} 
ight\}
  parent = current;
   \left\{ current : rcuItr\ Next.(Next)^k.Next\ \left\{ 
ight\} 
ight\}
   \left\{parent : rcuItr\ Next.(Next)^k.Next\left\{\right\}\right\}
  current = parent.Next;
   \{parent : rcuItr\ Next.(Next)^k.Next\ \{Next \mapsto current\}\}
   \left\{ current : rcuItr\ Next.(Next)^k.Next.Next\ \left\{ 
ight\} 
ight\}
 //We don't need to be precise on whether next of current is null or not
 \{parent : rcuItr\ Next.(Next)^k.Next\ \{Next \mapsto current\}\}
  \{current : rcuItr\ Next.(Next)^k.Next.Next.Next\ \{Next\mapsto null\}\}
 \hat{B}agNode\ currentL = current.Next;
  \left\{parent: rcuItr\ Next.(Next)^k.Next\ \{Next\mapsto itr\}\right\}
  \left\{currentL: rcuItr\ Next.(Next)^k.Next.Next.Next\left\{\}\right\}
ight\}
 \{current : rcuItr\ Next.(Next)^k.Next.Next\ \{Next \mapsto currentL\}\}
 current.Next = currentL;
 \left\{parent: rcuItr\ Next.(Next)^k.Next\ \{Next\mapsto itrN\}\right\}
  \left\{ currentL: rcuItr\ Next.(Next)^k.Next.Next\ \left\{ 
ight\} 
ight\}
 current : unlnked
 SyncStart;
 SyncStop;
 \{current: freeable\}
 Free(current);
 \{current : undef\}
 WriteEnd;
```

```
void\ add(inttoAdd){
 WriteBegin;
 BagNode \ nw = new;
 nw.data = toAdd;
 \{nw:rcuFresh\left\{
ight\}\}
 BagNode\; current,\; parent\; =\; head;
 parent.Next = current;
 \{current : rcuItr\ Next\ \{\}\}
 \{parent : rcuItr \in \{Next \mapsto current\}\}
 while (current.Next! = null) \{
   \left\{parent: rcuItr\; (Next)^k\; \{Next\mapsto current\}\right\}
   \left\{ current : rcuItr\ Next.(Next)^k.Next\ \left\{ \right\} \right\}
  parent = current;
  current = parent.Next;
   \{parent : rcuItr\ (Next)^k.Next\ \{Next \mapsto current\}\}
   \{current : rcuItr\ Next.(Next)^k.Next.Next\ \{\}\}
  \left\{parent : rcuItr\ (Next)^k.Next\ \{Next \mapsto current\}\right\}
 \left\{ current : rcuItr\ Next.(Next)^k.Next.Next\ \left\{ Next \mapsto null \right\} \right\}
 nw.next = null;
 \{nw : rcuFresh \{Next \mapsto null\}\}
 current.Next = nw \\
 \{parent : rcuItr\ (Next)^k.Next\ \{Next \mapsto nw\}\}
  \left\{ current : rcuItr (Next)^k.Next.Next \{Next \mapsto nw\} \right\}
  \{nw : rcuItr\ Next.(Next)^k.Next.Next.Next\ \{Next \mapsto null\}\}
 WriteEnd;
```

## D RCU Unlinking and Fresh Linking



(a) Framing before unlinking the (b) Safe unlinking of the heap node heap node pointed by current-cr. pointed by current-cr via Framing

Fig. 30: Safe unlinking a heap node from a BST

(Mutation - Unlinking a Heap Node) - Preserving invariants of a data structure against possible mutations under RCU semantics is challenging. Unlinking a heap node is one way of mutating the heap. To understand the importance of the locality on the effect of the mutation, we illustrate the setting for unlinking a heap node including resources such as stack pointer aliases in Figures 30a and 30b. The square nodes filled with R – a root node – and H – a heap node – are heap nodes. The hollow nodes are stack pointers to the square heap nodes. All resources in red form the memory foot print of unlinking. The hollow red nodes – pr, cr and crl – point to the red square heap nodes which are involved in unlinking of the heap node pointed by cr. We have  $a_1$ ,  $a_2$  and  $a_3$  which are aliases with parent-pr, current-cr and current-crl respectively. We call them the path-aliases as they share the same path from root to the node that they reference. The red filled circle which depicts null, the l field which depicts Left and r which depicts Right field.

The type rule for unlinking must assert the "proper linkage" in between the heap nodes involved in unlinking. We see the proper linkage relation between in Figure 30a as red l links between  $H_1$ ,  $H_2$  and  $H_3$  which are referenced by pr, cr and crl respectively. Our type rule for unlinking(T-UNLINKH) asserts that x (parent), y (current) and z (currentL) pointers are linked with field mappings  $\mathcal{N}([f_1 \to z])$  ( $Left \mapsto current$ ) of x,  $\mathcal{N}'([f_2 \to r])$  ( $Left \mapsto current$ L) of y. In accordance with the field mappings, the type rule also asserts that x has the path  $\rho$  ( $(Left)^k$ ), y has the path  $\rho$ . $f_1$  ( $(Left)^k$ .Left) and z has the path  $\rho$ . $f_1$ . $f_2$  ( $(Left)^k$ .Left.Left).

Being able to localize the effects of the mutation is important in a sense that it prevents unexpected side effects of the mutation. So, sharing through aliasing to the resources under mutation, e.g. aliasing to parent, current and currentL,

needs to be handled carefully. Aliasing can occur via either through object fields – via field mappings – or stack pointers – via path components. We see path aliases,  $a_1$ ,  $a_2$  and  $a_3$ , illustrated with dashed nodes and arrows to the heap nodes in Figures 30a and 30b. They are depicted as dashed because they are not safe resources to use when unlinking so they are *framed-out* by the type system via

$$(\neg \mathsf{MayAlias}(\rho''', \{\rho, \rho', \rho''\}))$$

which ensures the non-existence of the path-aliases to any of x, z and r in the rule which corresponds to pr, cr and crl respectively.

Any heap node reached from root by following a  $\operatorname{path}(\rho''')$  deeper than the path reaching to the last heap  $\operatorname{node}(crl)$  in the footprint cannot be pointed by any of the heap  $\operatorname{nodes}(pr,\,cr\text{ and }crl)$  in the footprint. We require this restriction to prevent inconsistency on path components of references,  $\rho'''$ , referring to heap nodes deeper than memory footprint

$$(\forall_{\rho''''\neq\epsilon}.\,\neg\mathsf{MayAlias}(\rho''',\rho''.\rho''''))$$

The reason for framing-out these dashed path aliases is obvious when we look at the changes from the Figure 30a to Figure 30b. For example,  $a_1$  points to  $H_1$ which has object field Next-n pointing to  $H_2$  which is also pointed by current as depicted in the Figure 30a. However, in Figure 30b, n of  $H_1$  is pointing to  $H_3$  though  $a_1$  still points to  $H_1$ . This change invalidates the field mapping  $Left \mapsto current$  of  $a_1$  in the rcultr type. One another safety achieved with framing shows up in a setting where current and  $a_2$  are aliases. In the Figure 30a, both current and  $a_2$  are in the rcultr type and point to  $H_2$ . After the unlinking action, the type of current becomes unlinked although  $a_2$  is still in the rcuItr type. Framing out  $a_2$  prevents the inconsistency in its type under the unlinking operation. One interesting and not obvious inconsistency issue shows up due to the aliasing between  $a_3$  and currentL-crl. Before the unlinking happens, both currentL and  $a_3$  have the same path components. After unlinking, the path of currentL-crl gets shortened as the path to heap node it points,  $H_3$ , changes to  $(Left)^k.Left$ . However, the path component of  $a_3$  would not change so the path component of  $a_3$  in the rcultr would become inconsistent with the actual path reaching to  $H_3$ .

In addition to path-aliasing, there can also be aliasing via field-mappings which we call field-aliasing. We see field alising examples in Figures 30a and 30b: pr and  $a_1$  are field aliases with Left-l from  $H_0$  points to  $H_1$ , cr and  $a_2$  are field aliases with Left-l from  $H_4$  points to  $H_2$  and crl and  $a_3$  are field aliases with Left-l from  $H_5$  points to  $H_3$ . We do not discuss the problems that can occur due to the field-aliasing as they are same with the ones due to path-aliasing. What we focus on is how the type rule prevents field-aliases. The type rule asserts  $\land (m \notin \{z,r\})$  to make sure that there exists no object field from any other context pointing either to the variable points the heap node that is mutation(unlinking) – current-crl or to the variable which points to the new Left of parent after unlinking – currentL-crl. We should also note that it is expected to have object fields in other contexts to point to pr as they are not in

the effect zone of unlinking. For example, we see the object field l points from  $H_0$  to  $H_1$  in Figures 30a and 30b.

Once we unlink the heap node, it cannot be accessed by the new coming reader threads the ones that are currently reading this node cannot access to the rest of the heap. We illustrate this with dashed red cr,  $H_2$  and object fields in Figure 30b.

Being aware of how much of the heap is under mutation is important, e.g. a whole subtree or a single node. Our type system ensures that there can be only just one heap node unlinked at a time by atomic field update action. To be able to ensure this, in addition to the proper linkage enforcement, the rule also asserts that all other object fields which are not under mutation must either not exists or point to null via

$$\forall_{f \in dom(\mathcal{N}')}. f \neq f_2 \implies (\mathcal{N}'(f) = \text{null})$$

## E Types and Rules for RCU Read Section

$$T_{local} := \text{rcultr} \qquad \boxed{\Gamma \vdash_R \alpha \dashv \Gamma'}$$
 
$$\frac{y \notin \text{FV}(\Gamma)}{\Gamma, r : \text{rcuRoot}, y : \text{undef} \vdash y = r \dashv y : \text{rcultr}, r : \text{rcuRoot}, \Gamma}$$
 
$$\frac{z \notin \text{FV}(\Gamma)}{\Gamma, z : \_, x : \text{rcultr} \vdash z = x \dashv x : \text{rcultr}, z : \text{rcultr}, \Gamma}$$
 
$$\frac{(\text{T-ReadS})}{\Gamma, z : \_, x : \text{rcultr}} \qquad \frac{z \notin \text{FV}(\Gamma)}{\Gamma, z : \_, x : \text{rcultr}} \qquad \frac{z \notin \text{FV}(\Gamma)}{\Gamma, z : \_, x : \text{rcultr}} \qquad \frac{z \notin \text{FV}(\Gamma)}{\Gamma, z : \_, x : \text{rcultr}} \qquad \frac{z \notin \text{FV}(\Gamma)}{\Gamma, z : \_, x : \text{rcultr}} \qquad \frac{(\text{T-ReadH})}{\Gamma, y : \text{rcultr}} \qquad \frac{\Gamma, y : \text{rcultr}}{\Gamma, y : \text{rcultr}} \qquad \frac{\Gamma, y : \text{rcultr}}{\Gamma, x : T, x : \text{rcultr}} \qquad \frac{\Gamma, y : \text{rcultr}}{\Gamma, x : T, x : T$$

Fig. 31: Type Rules for Read critical section for RCU Programming and standard type rules