

Jif Label Syntax

	Symbol	Jif syntax	Example
Top principal	\top	* or \top	
Bottom principal	\perp	_ or \perp	
Conjunctive principal	$p \& q$	$p \& q$	Alice&Bob Alice&(Bob,Chuck)&Dave
Disjunctive principal	p, q	p, q	Alice, Bob, Chuck Alice, Bob&Chuck, Chuck&Dolores
Reader policy	$o \rightarrow r$	$o:r$ or $o \rightarrow r$ or $o \rightarrow r$	$\perp:$ is the least restrictive reader policy *: is the most restrictive reader policy If no principle appears to the right of the colon, by default the top principal is used. Thus Alice: \equiv Alice:*
Writer policy	$o \leftarrow w$	$o!:w$ or $o \leftarrow r$ or $o \leftarrow r$	$\perp:$ is the most restrictive (lowest integrity) writer policy *: is the least restrictive (highest integrity) writer policy If no principle appears to the right side, by default the top principal is used. Thus Alice \leftarrow \equiv Alice \leftarrow *
Reader policy joins and meets	$o \rightarrow r \sqcup o' \rightarrow r'$ $o \rightarrow r \sqcap o' \rightarrow r'$	$o:r; o':r'$ $o:r$ meet $o':r'$ or $o:r \sqcap o':r'$	Alice;; Bob:Chuck Alice: meet Bob:Chuck Alice: meet Bob:Chuck; Chuck: is the meet Alice: meet Bob:Chuck joined with Chuck!:
Writer policy joins and meets	$o \leftarrow r \sqcup o' \leftarrow r'$ $o \leftarrow r \sqcap o' \leftarrow r'$	$o \leftarrow r; o' \leftarrow r'$ $o \leftarrow r$ meet $o' \leftarrow r'$ or $o \leftarrow r \sqcap o' \leftarrow r'$	Alice<; Bob<-Chuck Alice \leftarrow \top meet Bob \leftarrow Chuck Alice!: meet Bob!: Chuck; Chuck!: is the meet Alice!: meet Bob!:Chuck joined with Chuck!:
Label joins	$\{c; d\} \sqcup \{c'; d'\}$	$\{c; c'; d; d'\}$ or $\{c; d\} \sqcup \{c'; d'\}$	
Label meets	$\{c; d\} \sqcap \{c'; d'\}$	$\{c; d\} \sqcap \{c'; d'\}$ or $\{c; d\}$ meet $\{c'; d'\}$ or $\{c \sqcap c'; d \sqcap d'\}$ or	$\{Alice \rightarrow Bob \sqcap Chuck \rightarrow Dave; Alice \leftarrow \top \sqcap Chuck \leftarrow \top\}$ $\{Alice \rightarrow Bob; Alice \leftarrow \top\}$ meet $\{Chuck \rightarrow Dave; Chuck \leftarrow \top\}$ Braces are useful for specifying order of label operations
Grouping	(L)	{L}	Grouping specifies the order of label operations

Interpreting Jif Labels

Jif Label	Meaning
{Alice;; L; Alice!:Bob}	$\{Alice \rightarrow \top; Alice \leftarrow Bob\} \sqcup L$
{*lbl1; x; L meet *lbl2}	$lbl1 \sqcup x \sqcup (L \sqcap lbl2)$ No integrity or confidentiality policies appear in this label
{*lbl1; Alice \leftarrow }	$\{\perp \rightarrow \perp; Alice \leftarrow \top\} \sqcup lbl1$ Since an integrity policy appears, the default confidentiality policy $\perp \rightarrow \perp$ is used
{*lbl1; Alice \leftarrow Bob; Chuck \leftarrow \perp ; *lbl2; Alice \rightarrow Chuck; Chuck \rightarrow Dave}	$\{Alice \rightarrow Chuck \sqcup Chuck \rightarrow Dave; Alice \leftarrow Bob \sqcup Chuck \leftarrow \perp\} \sqcup lbl1 \sqcup lbl2$ The semicolon is consistently interpreted as a join operation for both confidentiality and integrity policies
{*lbl1}	lbl1 No integrity or confidentiality policy appears
{*lbl1 meet Alice:}	Error! Attempting to take the meet of a label (*lbl1) and a confidentiality policy (Alice:)
{*lbl1} meet {Alice:}	$\{Alice \rightarrow \top; \perp \leftarrow \perp\} \sqcap lbl1$

References

- [1] Jif Documentation 3.3.0 from <https://www.cs.cornell.edu/jif/doc/jif-3.3.0/>