

A Relational Static Semantics for Call Graph Resolution

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Abstract. The problem of resolving virtual method and interface calls in Object-Oriented languages has been a long standing challenge to the program analysis community. In this paper, we propose a new approach called type flow analysis that represent the propagation of type information between program variables by a group of relations without the help of a heap abstraction. We prove that regarding the precision on reachability of class information to variables, our method produces results equivalent to that one can derive from a points-to analysis. Moreover, in practice, our method consumes lower time and space usage, as supported by the experimental results.

1 Experiment

Table 1. Callsite with different analysis

| bench | CS_{origin} | CS_{cha} | CS_{pta} | CS_{tfa} |
|--------------------|---------------|------------|------------|------------|
| compress | 153 | 160 | 18 | 73 |
| crypto | 302 | 307 | 62 | 121 |
| bootstrap | 657 | 801 | 891 | 328 |
| commons-codec | 1162 | 1372 | 270 | 442 |
| junit | 3196 | 17532 | 11176 | 1358 |
| commons-httpclient | 6817 | 17118 | 567 | 2927 |
| serializer | 4782 | 9533 | 1248 | 1756 |
| xerces | 24579 | 56252 | 10631 | 8111 |
| eclipse | 23607 | 95073 | 70016 | 9379 |
| derby | 69537 | 180428 | 85212 | 16381 |
| xalan | 57430 | 155866 | / | 18669 |
| antlr | 62007 | 147014 | / | 17177 |
| jython | 129332 | 466167 | / | / |
| batik | 56877 | 235071 | / | 20901 |

Table 2. Time cost with different analysis

| bench | $\mathbf{T}_{cha}(s^{-1})$ | $\mathbf{T}_{pta}(s^{-1})$ | $\mathbf{T}_{tfa}(s^{-1})$ | Relations |
|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| compress | 0.17 | 1.46 | 0.12 | 233 |
| crypto | 0.12 | 1.18 | 0.52 | 295 |
| bootstrap | 240.87 | 324.04 | 0.27 | 545 |
| commons-codec | 0.08 | 0.89 | 0.64 | 2235 |
| junit | 249.57 | 324.27 | 1.55 | 6501 |
| commons-httpclient | 0.08 | 1.19 | 2.59 | 10742 |
| serializer | 216.58 | 304.19 | 1.62 | 9126 |
| xerces | 224.87 | 316.98 | 19.9 | 63755 |
| eclipse | 207.84 | 391.89 | 16.78 | 39984 |
| derby | 241.29 | 484.73 | 110.77 | 181272 |
| xalan | 785.04 | / | 27.58 | 102889 |
| antlr | 474.66 | / | 28.39 | 90829 |
| jython | 3811.02 | / | / | / |
| batik | 503.98 | / | 37.97 | 140648 |

Table 3. Optimalization result

| bench | \mathbf{Node}_{origin} | \mathbf{Node}_{opt} | Reduce | $\mathbf{Time}(s^{-1})$ |
|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| compress | 154 | 102 | 33.77% | 0.04 |
| crypto | 251 | 120 | 52.19% | 0.06 |
| bootstrap | 442 | 223 | 49.55% | 0.11 |
| commons-codec | 1358 | 639 | 52.95% | 0.87 |
| junit | 5566 | 3099 | 44.32% | 19.65 |
| commons-httpclient | 9003 | 4722 | 47.55% | 44.76 |
| serializer | 6292 | 3478 | 44.72% | 24.40 |
| xerces | 37674 | / | / | / |
| eclipse | 33101 | / | / | / |
| derby | 104315 | / | / | / |
| xalan | 74547 | / | / | / |
| antlr | 54213 | / | / | / |
| jython | / | / | / | / |
| batik | 83834 | / | / | / |