

Definition of Safety

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1 Language

1.1 Term and Pools

We inductively define terms, tuples of terms, and pools as

- all numerals, symbolic constants, and variables are terms,
- $f(\mathbf{t})$ is a term, if f is a symbolic constant and \mathbf{t} is a pool,
- $t_1 \star t_2$ is a term, if \star is among the symbols $+$, $-$, \times , $/$ or $..$ and t_1, t_2 are terms,
- $\langle \mathbf{t} \rangle$ is a term, if \mathbf{t} is a pool, which can have a possibly empty set of terms,
- t_1, \dots, t_n is a tuple of terms, if $n \geq 0$ and t_i is a term,
- $\dot{t}_1; \dots; \dot{t}_n$ is a pool, if $n \geq 1$ and each \dot{t}_i is a tuple of terms.

1.2 Constants

We inductively define a term to be *constant* if

- it is a numeral,
- it has form $t \star u$ where t and u are *constant* and \star is among the symbols $+$, $-$, \times or $/$.

1.3 Atoms and Literals

An atom has form $p(\mathbf{t})$ where p is a predicate symbol and \mathbf{t} is a pool.

A comparison literal has form $t_1 \prec t_2$, where t_1, t_2 are terms and \prec is among the symbols $\leq, \geq, <, >$ or \neq .

A conditional literal has form $l : \dot{c}$, where l is a literal and c is a tuple of literals.

A literal is either an

- atom,
- comparison literal or

- conditional literal,

which can be preceded by not.

1.4 Aggregates

An aggregate has the form

$$\alpha\{\dot{t}_1 : \dot{L}_1; \dots; \dot{t}_n : \dot{L}_n\} \prec s \quad (1)$$

($n \geq 0$), where

- α is an aggregate name,
- each \dot{t}_i is a tuple of terms,
- each \dot{L}_i is a tuple of comparison literals and atoms,
- each \prec is among the symbols $\leq, \geq, <, >, =$ or \neq ,
- each s is a term.

1.5 Rules

A rule r has the form

$$H_1 \vee \dots \vee H_m \leftarrow B_1 \wedge \dots \wedge B_n \quad (2)$$

($m, n \geq 0$), where each H_i is a literal and each B_j is a literal or an aggregate.

1.6 Choice Rules

A choice rule of form

$$\alpha\{e_1, \dots, e_m\}\beta : -B_1 \wedge \dots \wedge B_n \quad (3)$$

($m, n \geq 0$), where each e_i is an atom and each B_j is a literal or an aggregate. α and β can be omitted and do not affect safety.

2 Safety

The $vars(e)$ function returns all variables for an expression e .

For Example:

$$vars(a(X) = b(Y)) = \{X, Y\}$$

The $eval(c)$ function takes a constant term and returns the arithmetic evaluation of that term. If this function for a *constant* returns a set s , where $0 \notin s$ then

this result is called *nonzero*.

$$\begin{aligned}
eval(c) &= \{c\} \\
eval(a + b) &= \{x + y & | x \in eval(a), y \in eval(b)\} \\
eval(a - b) &= \{x - y & | x \in eval(a), y \in eval(b)\} \\
eval(a * b) &= \{x * y & | x \in eval(a), y \in eval(b)\} \\
eval(a / b) &= \{x / y & | x \in eval(a), y \in eval(b), y \neq 0\}
\end{aligned}$$

2.1 Terms

2.1.1 Constants

For any numeral n and symbolic constant f

$$pt(n) = pt(f) = dt(n) = dt(f) = \emptyset$$

2.1.2 Variables

For any variable X

$$\begin{aligned}
pt(X) &= \{X\} \\
dt(X) &= \emptyset
\end{aligned}$$

2.1.3 Tuples

For any tuple of terms t_1, \dots, t_n

$$\begin{aligned}
pt(t_1, \dots, t_n) &= pt(t_1) \cup \dots \cup pt(t_n) \\
dt(t_1, \dots, t_n) &= dt(t_1) \cup \dots \cup dt(t_n)
\end{aligned}$$

2.1.4 Pools

For any pool of terms $\dot{t}_1; \dots; \dot{t}_n$

$$\begin{aligned}
pt(\dot{t}_1; \dots; \dot{t}_n) &= pt(\dot{t}_1) \cap \dots \cap pt(\dot{t}_n) \\
dt(\dot{t}_1; \dots; \dot{t}_n) &= dt(\dot{t}_1) \cup \dots \cup dt(\dot{t}_n)
\end{aligned}$$

2.1.5 Functions

For a term of form $f(\mathbf{t})$, where f is a function and \mathbf{t} a pool

$$\begin{aligned}
pt(f(\mathbf{t})) &= pt(\mathbf{t}) \\
dt(f(\mathbf{t})) &= dt(\mathbf{t})
\end{aligned}$$

2.1.6 Arithmetics

For a term of form $a \star b$, where a, b are terms and one of them is a *constant* and \star is among the symbols $+$, $-$ or $/$ and a and b are both *constant* and \star is among the symbols $+$, $-$, $/$ or $..$

$$\begin{aligned} pt(a \star b) &= pt(a) \cup pt(b) \\ dt(a \star b) &= dt(a) \cup dt(b) \end{aligned}$$

Otherwise for a term of form $a \star b$, where a, b are terms and none of them are *constant* and \star is among the symbols $+$, $-$, \times , $/$ or $..$

$$\begin{aligned} pt(a \star b) &= \emptyset \\ pt(a \star b) &= vars(a \star b) \end{aligned}$$

For a term of form $a \times b$, where a, b are terms and one of them is a *constant* and $0 \in eval(a)$ or $0 \in eval(b)$

$$\begin{aligned} pt(a \times b) &= \emptyset \\ dt(a \times b) &= \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

Otherwise if $0 \notin eval(a) \cup eval(b)$

$$\begin{aligned} pt(a \times b) &= pt(a) \cup pt(b) \\ dt(a \times b) &= dt(a) \cup dt(b) \end{aligned}$$

For a term of form $-t$, where t is a term

$$\begin{aligned} pt(-t) &= pt(t) \\ dt(-t) &= dt(t) \end{aligned}$$

2.2 Atoms and Literals

2.2.1 Atoms and Literals

For an literal of form *not* a , where a is an atom

$$dep(not\ a) = \{(\emptyset, vars(a))\}$$

For an atom of form $p(\mathbf{t})$, where \mathbf{t} is a pool

$$dep(p(\mathbf{t})) = \{(pt(\mathbf{t}), \emptyset), (\emptyset, dt(\mathbf{t}))\}$$

2.2.2 Comparison Literals

For an comparison literal of form $a \prec b$, where a and b are terms and \prec is among the symbols $\leq, \geq, <, >, \neq$

$$dep(a \prec b) = \{(\emptyset, vars(a \prec b))\}$$

For an comparison literal of form $a = b$, where a and b are terms

$$dep(a = b) = \{(pt(a), vars(b)), (pt(b), vars(a)), (\emptyset, dt(a) \cup dt(b))\}$$

For an literal of form $not\ a \prec b$, where a and b are terms

$$\begin{aligned} dep(not\ a = b) &= dep(a \neq b) \\ dep(not\ a \neq b) &= dep(a = b) \\ dep(not\ a \leq b) &= dep(a > b) \\ dep(not\ a > b) &= dep(a \leq b) \\ dep(not\ a \geq b) &= dep(a < b) \\ dep(not\ a < b) &= dep(a \geq b) \end{aligned}$$

2.2.3 Conditional Literals

For a conditional literal of form $\dot{t} : \dot{c}$, where t is a tuple of terms and c is a tuple of comparison literals and atoms, where G is the set of variables occuring globally in it.

$$dep(\dot{t} : \dot{c}) = \{(\emptyset, G \cup vars(s))\}$$

For an conditional literal of form $\dot{t} : \dot{c}$, where t is a tuple of terms and c is a tuple of comparison literals and atoms in a local context

$$dep_l(\dot{t} : \dot{c}) = \{(\emptyset, vars(\dot{t}))\} \cup \bigcup_{e \in \dot{c}} dep(e)$$

2.3 Aggregates

For a aggregate a occuring in a rule, where G is the set of variables occuring globally in it. We define $elem(a)$ to return a set of elements in a as

$$elem(a) = \{\dot{t}_1 : \dot{L}_1, \dots, \dot{t}_n : \dot{L}_n\}$$

For an aggregate element of form $\dot{t}_1 : \dot{L}_1$, where t_1 is a tuple of terms and \dot{L}_1 is a tuple of comparison literals and atoms

$$dep(\dot{t}_1 : \dot{L}_1) = \{(\emptyset, vars(\dot{t}_1))\} \cup \bigcup_{l \in \dot{L}_1} dep(l)$$

For an aggregate a , where \prec is =

$$dep(a) = \{(pt(s), G), (\emptyset, dt(s) \cup G)\}$$

Otherwise

$$dep(a) = \{(\emptyset, G \cup vars(s))\}$$

2.4 Rule

For a rule r in the form of (2) the following holds:

$$dep(r) = \{(\emptyset, vars(H_1 \vee \dots \vee H_k))\} \cup dep(B_1) \cup \dots \cup dep(B_m)$$

2.5 Choice Rule

For a choice rule r in the form of (3) the following holds:

$$dep(r) = \{(\emptyset, vars(e_1 \vee \dots \vee e_k))\} \cup dep(B_1) \cup \dots \cup dep(B_m)$$

2.6 Safety Definition

We define operator C_r for a rule r applied to a set of variables V as

$$C_r(V) = \bigcup_{(P,D) \in dep(r), D \subseteq V} P.$$

A rule r is globally safe if $vars(r)$ is the least fixed point of C_r and each aggregate and conditional literal is locally safe.

We define operator $C_{e,G}$ for an element e of an aggregate a applied to a set of variables V as

$$C_{e,G}(V) = G \cup \bigcup_{(P,D) \in dep(e), D \subseteq V} P.$$

a is locally safe if for each element $e \in elem(a)$, $vars(e)$ is the least fixed point of $C_{e,G}$

We define operator $C_{l,G}$ for an conditional literal l applied to a set of variables V as

$$C_{l,G}(V) = G \cup \bigcup_{(P,D) \in dep_l(l), D \subseteq V} P.$$

l is locally safe if $vars(l)$ is the least fixed point of $C_{l,G}$

3 Other Examples

$$\begin{aligned} dep(p(X, Y + Y)) &= \{(pt(X, Y + Y), \emptyset), (\emptyset, dt(X, Y + Y))\} \\ &= \{(pt(X) \cup pt(Y + Y), \emptyset), (\emptyset, dt(X) \cup dt(Y + Y))\} \\ &= \{(\{X\} \cup \emptyset, \emptyset), (\emptyset, \emptyset \cup vars(Y + Y))\} \\ &= \{(\{X\}, \emptyset), (\emptyset, \{Y\})\} \end{aligned}$$