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(t) is a term, if f is a symbolic constant and 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,
- $\langle t \rangle$ is a term, if t is a pool, which can have a possibly empty set of terms,
- $t_1,...,t_n$ is a tuple of terms, if $n \ge 0$ and t_i is a term,
- $\dot{t_1};...;\dot{t_n}$ is a pool, if $n \ge 1$ 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(t) where p is a predicate symbol and 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

$$\alpha\{\dot{t_1}:\dot{L_1};\ldots;\dot{t_n}:\dot{L_n}\} \prec s \tag{1}$$

 $(n \leq 0)$, 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 ,
- \bullet each s is a term.

1.5 Rules

A rule r has the form

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

 $(m, n \ge 0)$, 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

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

 $(m, n \ge 0)$, 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*.

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

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

$$pt(X) = \{X\}$$
$$dt(X) = \emptyset$$

2.1.3 Tuples

For any tuple of terms $t_1, ..., t_n$

$$pt(t_1, ..., t_n) = pt(t_1) \cup \cdots \cup pt(t_n)$$
$$dt(t_1, ..., t_n) = dt(t_1) \cup \cdots \cup dt(t_n)$$

2.1.4 Pools

For any pool of terms $\dot{t_1}; ...; \dot{t_n}$

$$pt(\dot{t_1}; ...; \dot{t_n}) = pt(\dot{t_1}) \cap \cdots \cap pt(\dot{t_n})$$
$$dt(\dot{t_1}; ...; \dot{t_n}) = dt(\dot{t_1}) \cup \cdots \cup dt(\dot{t_n})$$

2.1.5 Functions

For a term of form f(t), where f is a function and t a pool

$$pt(f(t)) = pt(t)$$
$$dt(f(t)) = dt(t)$$

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 a and b are both *constant* and \star is among the symbols +, -, / or .

$$pt(a \star b) = pt(a) \cup pt(b)$$
$$dt(a \star b) = dt(a) \cup dt(b)$$

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 ..

$$pt(a \star b) = \emptyset$$
$$pt(a \star b) = vars(a \star b)$$

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 $0 \in eval(b)$

$$pt(a \times b) = \emptyset$$
$$dt(a \times b) = \emptyset$$

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

$$pt(a \times b) = pt(a) \cup pt(b)$$
$$dt(a \times b) = dt(a) \cup dt(b)$$

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

$$pt(-t) = pt(t)$$
$$dt(-t) = dt(t)$$

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(t), where t is a pool

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

$$dep(not \ a = b) = dep(a \neq b)$$

$$dep(not \ a \neq b) = dep(a = b)$$

$$dep(not \ a \leq b) = dep(a > b)$$

$$dep(not \ a > b) = dep(a \leq b)$$

$$dep(not \ a \geq b) = dep(a < b)$$

$$dep(not \ a < b) = dep(a > b)$$

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 occurring 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

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

2.3 Aggregates

For a aggragate a occurring in a rule, where G is the set of variables occurring 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:

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

2.5 Choice Rule

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

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

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

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

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

3 Other Examples

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