

A Study of Undefined Behavior Across Foreign Function Boundaries in Rust Libraries

Appendix

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1 Results

Table 1: Download counts for each crate where a bug was found, sorted by “All-Time”. The mean download count per day is aggregated across the 6 months between March 20th and September 20th, 2023.

Crate	Version	Mean 📄 / Day	📄 All-Time	Last Updated	Bug IDs
flate2	1.0.27	136,292	82,637,795	2023-08-15	38
foreign-types	0.5.0	88,416	64,223,888	2019-10-13	33
bzip2	0.4.4	23,862	13,447,830	2023-01-05	34
zmq	0.10.0	1,594	1,824,174	2022-11-04	19
lcms2	6.0.0	363	158,000	2023-09-02	42, 43, 10
dec	0.4.8	237	118,377	2022-02-05	41, 22, 46, 47
tectonic_engine_bibtex	0.2.1	32	15,680	2023-06-15	27
special-fun	0.2.0	28	15,176	2019-03-15	9
littlefs2	0.4.0	40	14,288	2023-02-07	35, 36
libsync	0.2.3	3	12,350	2023-03-10	39
libhydrogen	0.4.1	23	12,264	2021-05-16	20
bad64	0.6.0	10	6,071	2021-12-22	26
fluidlite	0.2.1	6	5,768	2021-08-21	17
sgp4-rs	0.4.0	10	5,680	2023-07-19	28
minimap2-sys	0.1.16 ¹	15	3,782	2023-09-12	45
minimp3_ex-sys	0.1.1	14	3,192	2020-12-19	16
libcmark-sys	0.1.0	1	2,396	2017-11-30	12
dec-number-sys	0.0.25	8	1,400	2022-11-28	23, 32, 7
xxhrs	2.0.0	3	1,390	2020-09-15	48
tetsy-secp256k1	0.7.0	3	1,202	2021-02-19	29
bchlib	0.2.1	1	739	2019-05-27	11
tree-sitter-svelte	0.10.2	2	718	2022-04-15	14
everrs	0.2.1	2	650	2020-04-12	4
x42lrc-sys	0.0.5	1	648	2020-09-05	15
quickjs_regex	0.2.3	3	637	2021-11-30	5, 24, 24
crypto_pimitives	0.1.1	2	535	2019-11-17	21
klu-rs	0.4.0	2	530	2022-09-15	44
ytnef	0.2.0	6	521	2021-11-14	18
tinyspline-sys	0.2.0	1	441	2020-06-09	13
ms5837	0.2.1	2	377	2022-07-30	31
spritz_cipher	0.1.0	1	324	2019-10-16	8
mseed	0.5.0	4	318	2023-08-24	25
jh-rs	0.1.0	1	206	2021-01-31	1
lsmlite-rs	0.1.0	2	52	2023-07-17	30

¹0.1.16+minimap2.2.26

Table 2: Unique bugs detected by our tool, sorted Miri’s error label (“Error Category”) and our additional classification (“Error Type”). A “-” indicates that our classification is the same as Miri’s label. When a commit is listed in the last column, it indicates that the bug has been fixed. If multiple commits were used to fix a bug, we provide the last commit in the series.

ID	Crate	Version	Error Category	Error Type	Fix	Error	Issue(s)	Pull(s)	Commit(s)
1	jh-rs	0.1.0	Alignment	Invalid Transmutation	Rust	Rust	#1		
2	quickjs_regex	0.2.3	Cross-Language Free	-	LLVM	Rust	#2		
3	tree-sitter	0.20.3	Dangling Int Pointer	Null Pointer Dereference	LLVM	LLVM	#8		4676cd4
4	evers	0.2.1	Incorrect Binding	Incorrect Integer Width	Binding	Binding	#1		
5	quickjs_regex	0.2.3	Incorrect Binding	Incorrect Integer Width	Binding	Binding		#1	
6	secp256k1	0.28.0	Incorrect Binding	Incorrect Integer Width	Binding	Binding	#669	#670	60a5e36
7	dec-number-sys	0.0.25	Incorrect Binding	Missing Return Type	Binding	Binding		#2	
8	spritz_cipher	0.1.0	Incorrect Binding	Missing Return Type	Binding	Binding		#1	
9	special-fun	0.2.0	Incorrect Binding	Missing Return Type	Binding	Binding	#14	#13	ded37f8
10	lcms2	6.0.0	Invalid Enum Tag	Logical Error	Rust	Rust			85218b6
11	bchlib	0.2.1	Memory Leaked	Missing C Destructor	Rust	Rust	#1		
12	libcmark-sys	0.1.0	Memory Leaked	Missing C Destructor	Rust	Rust	#3		
13	tinyspline-sys	0.2.0	Memory Leaked	Missing C Destructor	Rust	Rust	#1		
14	tree-sitter-svelte	0.10.2	Memory Leaked	Missing C Destructor	Rust	Rust	#46		
15	x42tc-sys	0.0.5	Memory Leaked	Missing C Destructor	Rust	Rust	#1	#2	1c594f2
16	minimp3_ex-sys	0.1.1	Memory Leaked	Missing C Destructor	Rust	Rust		#5	33bea0d
17	fluidlite	0.2.1	Memory Leaked	Missing from Raw	Rust	Rust	#15		
18	ytnef	0.2.0	Memory Leaked	Missing from Raw	Rust	Rust	#1		
19	zmq	0.10.0	Memory Leaked	Missing from Raw	Rust	Rust	#387	#388	
20	libhydrogen	0.4.1	Memory Leaked	Missing from Raw	Rust	Rust	#11		bddff45
21	crypto_pimitives	0.1.1	Out of Bounds Access	-	LLVM	Rust	#1		
22	dec	0.4.8	Out of Bounds Access	-	LLVM	LLVM	#76		
23	dec-number-sys	0.0.25	Out of Bounds Access	-	LLVM	LLVM	#76		
24	quickjs_regex	0.2.3	Out of Bounds Access	-	LLVM	Rust		#1	
25	mseed	0.5.0	Out of Bounds Access	-	LLVM	Rust			0cfede1
26	bad64	0.6.0	Out of Bounds Access	-	LLVM	LLVM			6dbd961
27	tectonic_engine_bibtex	0.2.1	Tree Borrowers	Freeing Through &mut T	LLVM	Rust		#1129	c64e524
28	sgp4-rs	0.4.0	Tree Borrowers	Incorrect Integer Width	LLVM	Binding	#29		
29	tetsy-secp256k1	0.7.0	Tree Borrowers	Incorrect const	LLVM	Rust	#3		
30	lsmlite-rs	0.1.0	Tree Borrowers	Incorrect const	LLVM	Binding			
31	ms5837	0.2.1	Tree Borrowers	Incorrect const	LLVM	Rust		#5	2e0cf90
32	dec-number-sys	0.0.25	Tree Borrowers	Incorrect const	LLVM	Binding		#26	7be05c1
33	foreign-types	0.5.0	Tree Borrowers	Phantom UnsafeCell<T>	LLVM	Binding	#1	#2	4a12cce
34	bzip2	0.4.4	Tree Borrowers	Sharing &mut T	LLVM	Rust	#24		
35	littlefs2	0.4.0	Tree Borrowers	Sharing &mut T	LLVM	Rust	#94	#54	
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ID	Crate	Version	Error Category	Error Type	Fix	Error	Issue(s)	Pull(s)	Commit(s)
36	littlefs2	0.4.0	Tree Borrows	Sharing &mut T	LLVM	Rust		#54	
37	spng	0.2.0-alpha.2	Tree Borrows	Sharing &mut T	Rust	Rust	#11	#12	
38	flate2	1.0.27	Tree Borrows	Sharing &mut T	LLVM	Rust	#392	#394	0a584f4
39	librsync	0.2.3	Tree Borrows	&T as *mut T	Rust	Rust	#23		
40	blitsort-sys	0.1.0	Tree Borrows	&T as *mut T	LLVM	Rust	#1	#2	
41	dec	0.4.8	Tree Borrows	&T as *mut T	LLVM	Rust	#74	#2	ece7d84
42	lcms2	6.0.0	Tree Borrows	&T as *mut T	LLVM	Rust		#18	28626ed
43	lcms2	6.0.0	Tree Borrows	&T as *mut T	LLVM	Rust			5d3b648
44	klu-rs	0.4.0	Tree Borrows	&T as *mut T	LLVM	Rust		#1	c5e89d1
45	minimap2-sys	0.1.16 ²	Uninitialized Memory	Erroneous Failure	Rust	Rust			2ac2a6d
46	dec	0.4.8	Uninitialized Memory	Incomplete Initialization	Rust	Rust	#76	#77	3545623
47	dec	0.4.8	Uninitialized Memory	Incomplete Initialization	LLVM	Rust	#76	#77	3545623
48	xxhrs	2.0.0	Uninitialized Memory	Uninitialized Padding	Rust	Rust		#10	def77e5

Table 3: Test results across each of the three evaluation modes. In the “Zeroed” mode, all stack and heap memory from LLVM is zero-initialized. In the “Uninitialized” mode, LLVM is allowed to read uninitialized bytes without throwing an error.

Error Type	Zeroed			Uninitialized	
	Stacked Borrows	Tree Borrows	Tree Borrows	Stacked Borrows	Tree Borrows
<i>Borrowing Violation</i>	2.7% (245)	2% (184)	2.7% (245)	2.7% (245)	2% (183)
<i>Using Uninitialized Memory</i>	2.2% (197)	2.2% (202)	2.2% (200)	2.2% (200)	2.2% (205)
<i>Other Error</i>	5.4% (495)	5.5% (501)	5.2% (479)	5.2% (479)	5.4% (490)
<i>Passed</i>	18.7% (1706)	18.9% (1724)	18.6% (1695)	18.6% (1695)	18.7% (1710)
<i>Timeout</i>	9.7% (890)	10.6% (968)	9.6% (873)	9.6% (873)	10.4% (953)
<i>Unsupported Operation</i>	61.3% (5597)	60.8% (5551)	61.8% (5638)	61.2% (5589)	

2 Semantics

■ Rust ■ LLVM

2.1 Domains

$b \in \text{BYTES}$ (bytes)
 $m, n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ (sizes)
 $\ell \in \text{LOCATIONS} : \mathcal{P}(\text{BYTES})$ (heap locations)
 $t \in \text{TAGES}$ (access tags)

2.2 Type Syntax

$\tau ::= \text{int}(n) \mid \text{ptr} \mid \bar{\tau}$ (LLVM types)
 $\tau ::= \text{int}(n) \mid * \tau \mid \tau^P$ (Rust types)
 $\tau^P ::= \overline{\langle \tau, n \rangle}^m$ (Rust products)
 $\tau ::= \tau \mid \tau$ (Types)

2.3 Value Syntax

$v_b ::= \bar{b} \mid \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle$ (Base Values)
 $v ::= v_b \mid \langle \bar{v} \rangle$ (LLVM Values)
 $v ::= v_b$ (Rust Values)
 $\varrho ::= t \mid * \mid \cdot$ (Provenance)

2.4 Environments

$\mu \in \text{MEM} : \text{LOC} \rightarrow (\text{BYTES} \times \text{TAG})$ (memory)
 $\sigma \in \text{TAGSET} : \mathcal{P}(\text{TAG})$ (exposed tags)

2.5 Conversion

$$\boxed{\mu; \sigma \vdash v : \tau \rightsquigarrow v : \tau \dashv \mu'; \sigma'}$$

“Under the store μ and tag set σ , Rust values v of type τ and LLVM values v of type τ are interconvertible, producing the updated store μ' and tag set σ' .”

C-POINTER

$$\frac{}{\mu; \sigma \vdash \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \tau \rightsquigarrow \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \text{ptr} \dashv \mu; \sigma}$$

C-INT

$$\mu; \sigma \vdash \bar{b}^n : \text{int}(n) \rightsquigarrow \bar{b}^n : \text{int}(n) \dashv \mu; \sigma$$

C-PRODUCT

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \text{fields}(\langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \tau^P^n) = \overline{v : \tau^P}^n \\ \forall i \in [1, n]. \mu_{i-1}; \sigma_{i-1} \vdash v : \tau^P \rightsquigarrow v : \tau_i \dashv \mu_i; \sigma_i \end{array}}{\mu_0, \sigma_0 \vdash \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \tau^P^n \rightsquigarrow \langle \bar{v} \rangle : \bar{\tau}^n \dashv \mu_n; \sigma_n}$$

$$\boxed{\mu; \sigma \vdash v : \tau \rightsquigarrow v : \tau \dashv \mu; \sigma'}$$

“Under the store μ and tag set σ , Rust values v of type τ can be converted to LLVM values v of type τ , producing the updated tag set σ' ”

$$\frac{\text{C-POINTERTOINT} \quad \ell \triangleq \bar{b} \quad \text{expose}(\sigma, \varrho) = \sigma'}{\mu; \sigma \vdash \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : * \tau \rightsquigarrow \bar{b} : \text{int}(n_{ptr}) \dashv \mu; \sigma'}$$

$$\frac{\text{C-FIELDTOSCALAR} \quad \begin{array}{l} \mu; \sigma \vdash \text{read}(\ell, \tau) = v_b \dashv \sigma'' \\ \mu; \sigma'' \vdash v_b : \tau \rightsquigarrow v_b : \tau \dashv \mu; \sigma' \end{array}}{\mu; \sigma \vdash \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \langle \tau, 0 \rangle \rightsquigarrow v_b : \tau \dashv \mu; \sigma'}$$

$$\frac{\text{C-PRODUCTTOINT} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{sizeof}(\tau^P) = q \\ \mu; \sigma \vdash \text{read}(\ell, \text{int}(q)) = \bar{b} \dashv \sigma' \end{array}}{\mu; \sigma \vdash \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \tau^P \rightsquigarrow \bar{b} : \text{int}(q) \dashv \mu; \sigma'}$$

$$\boxed{\mu; \sigma \vdash v : \tau \leftarrow v : \tau \dashv \mu; \sigma'}$$

“Under the store μ and tag set σ , LLVM values v of type τ can be converted to Rust values v of type τ , producing the updated store μ' ”

$$\frac{\text{C-POINTERSFROMINT} \quad \ell \triangleq \bar{b}}{\mu; \sigma \vdash \langle \ell, * \rangle : * \tau \leftarrow \bar{b} : \text{int}(n_{ptr}) \dashv \mu; \sigma}$$

$$\frac{\text{C-FIELDFROMSCALAR} \quad \begin{array}{l} \mu'' \vdash \text{write}(\ell, v_b) \dashv \mu' \\ \mu; \sigma \vdash v_b : \tau \leftarrow v_b : \tau \dashv \mu''; \sigma \end{array}}{\mu; \sigma \vdash \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \langle \tau, 0 \rangle \leftarrow v_b : \tau \dashv \mu'; \sigma}$$

$$\frac{\text{C-PRODUCTFROMINT} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{sizeof}(\tau^P) = q \quad \mu \vdash \text{write}(\ell, \bar{b}) \dashv \mu' \end{array}}{\mu; \sigma \vdash \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \tau^P \leftarrow \bar{b} : \text{int}(q) \dashv \mu'; \sigma}$$

2.6 Store Operations

$$\boxed{\mu(\ell) = \langle b, \varrho \rangle}$$

“The store μ maps the location ℓ to the byte b with provenance ϱ .”

$$\frac{\text{STORE} \quad \ell \mapsto \langle b, \varrho \rangle \in \mu}{\mu(\ell) = \langle b, \varrho \rangle}$$

$$\boxed{\mu(\ell, m) = \overline{\langle b, \varrho \rangle}^m}$$

“Reading a value of size m from location ℓ produces a list of m pairs of bytes and provenance values.”

$$\frac{\text{STORE-SLICE} \quad \mu(\ell), \dots, \mu(\ell + m - 1) = \overline{\langle b, \varrho \rangle}^m}{\mu(\ell, m) = \overline{\langle b, \varrho \rangle}^m}$$

$$\boxed{\text{expose}(\sigma, \varrho) = \sigma'}$$

“Exposing the tag ϱ produces the updated tag set σ' .”

$$\text{EX-TAG} \quad \text{expose}(\sigma, t) = \sigma \cup \{t\}$$

$$\text{EX-NULL} \quad \text{expose}(\sigma, \cdot) = \sigma$$

$$\text{EX-WILD} \quad \text{expose}(\sigma, *) = \sigma$$

$$\boxed{\mu \vdash \text{write}(\ell, v) \dashv \mu'}$$

“Writing the value v to the store μ at location ℓ produces the updated store μ' .”

$$\text{W-BYTES} \quad \frac{\ell \in \text{dom}(\mu_0) \quad \forall i \in [0, n-1]. \mu_{i+1} = \mu_i[\ell + i \mapsto \langle b_i, \cdot \rangle]}{\mu_0 \vdash \text{write}(\ell, \bar{b}^n) \dashv \mu_n}$$

$$\text{W-PTR} \quad \frac{\ell \in \text{dom}(\mu_0) \quad \ell \triangleq \bar{b}^{n_{ptr}} \quad \forall i \in [0, n_{ptr}-1]. \mu_{i+1} = \mu_i[\ell + i \mapsto \langle b_i, \varrho \rangle]}{\mu_0 \vdash \text{write}(\ell, \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle) \dashv \mu_n}$$

$$\boxed{\mu; \sigma \vdash \text{read}(\ell, \tau) = v \dashv \sigma'}$$

“Reading a rust value v of type τ from the store μ at location ℓ produces the updated tag set σ' .”

$$\text{R-INT} \quad \frac{\mu[\ell, n] = \overline{\langle b, \varrho \rangle}^n \quad \forall i \in [1, n]. \text{expose}(\sigma_{i-1}, \varrho_i) = \sigma_i}{\mu; \sigma_0 \vdash \text{read}(\ell, \text{int}(n)) = \bar{b}^n \dashv \sigma_n}$$

$$\text{R-PTR} \quad \frac{\mu[\ell, n_{ptr}] = \overline{\langle b, \varrho \rangle}^{n_{ptr}} \quad \ell' \triangleq \bar{b}^{n_{ptr}} \quad \forall i \in [1, n_{ptr}]. \varrho_i = \varrho'}{\mu; \sigma \vdash \text{read}(\ell, * \tau) = \langle \ell', \varrho' \rangle \dashv \sigma}$$

2.7 Metafunctions

$$\boxed{\text{sizeof}(\tau) = n}$$

“The type τ has size n .”

$$\text{TS-INT} \quad \text{sizeof}(\text{int}(n)) = n$$

$$\text{TS-R-PTR} \quad \text{sizeof}(* \tau) = n_{ptr}$$

$$\text{TS-L-PTR} \quad \text{sizeof}(\text{ptr}) = n_{ptr}$$

$$\text{TS-R-FIELD} \quad \frac{\text{sizeof}(\tau) + m = n}{\text{sizeof}(\langle \tau, m \rangle) = n}$$

$$\text{TS-R-PROD} \quad \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m (\text{sizeof}(\tau^P_i)) = n}{\text{sizeof}(\overline{\tau^P}^m) = n}$$

$$\text{TS-L-PROD} \quad \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m (\text{sizeof}(\tau_i)) = n}{\text{sizeof}(\overline{\tau}^m) = n}$$

$$\boxed{\text{scalar}(\tau)}$$

“The type τ is a scalar.”

$$\text{scalar}(\text{int}(n))$$

$$\text{scalar}(* \tau)$$

$$\text{scalar}(\text{ptr})$$

$$\boxed{\text{fields}(v : \tau^P) = \overline{v : \tau}}$$

“The rust product value $v : \tau^P$ can be represented as a list of field values $v : \tau$ ”

$$\frac{\forall i \in [1, n]. o_i = \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} (\text{sizeof}(\tau^P_j))}{\text{fields}(\langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \overline{\tau^P}^n) = \overline{\langle \ell + o_i, \varrho \rangle : \tau^P_i}^n}$$

$$\boxed{\text{homogeneous}(\tau)}$$

“The type τ is a homogeneous aggregate.”

$$\text{homogeneous}(\tau_b)$$

$$\text{homogeneous}(* \tau)$$

$$\frac{\exists \tau. \forall \langle \tau', n \rangle \in \tau^P. n = 0 \wedge \tau' = \tau \wedge \text{homogeneous}(\tau)}{\text{homogeneous}(\overline{\tau}^P)}$$

$$\boxed{\text{equivalent}(\tau) = \tau'}$$

“The type τ is equivalent to the type τ' ”

$$\text{equivalent}(\tau_b) = \tau_b$$

$$\text{equivalent}(*\tau) = \text{ptr}$$

$$\text{equivalent}(\text{ptr}) = *\tau$$

2.8 Well-formedness

$$\boxed{\vdash v : \tau}$$

“The typed value $v : \tau$ is well-formed.”

$$\text{WF-INT} \quad \vdash \bar{b}^n : \text{int}(n)$$

$$\text{WF-LLVMPTR} \quad \vdash \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \text{ptr}$$

$$\text{WF-RUSTPTR} \quad \vdash \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : *\tau$$

$$\text{WF-RUSTPROD} \quad \vdash \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \tau^p$$

$$\text{WF-LLVMPROD} \quad \frac{\forall i \in [1, n] \vdash v_i : \tau_i}{\vdash \langle \bar{v}^n \rangle : \bar{\tau}^n}$$

2.9 Proofs

Lemma 2.9.1 (Canonical Forms). For all values v , if $\vdash v : \tau$, then

1. If $v \triangleq \bar{b}^n$, then $\tau \triangleq \text{int}(n)$.
2. If $v \triangleq \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle$, then τ is either $*\tau$ or τ^p in Rust, or ptr in LLVM.
3. If $v \triangleq \langle \bar{v}^n \rangle$ then τ is an LLVM product type $\bar{\tau}^n$

Proof. By inspection of $\vdash v : \tau$. □

Lemma 2.9.2 (Compatible Forms). For all Rust typed values $v : \tau$ and LLVM typed values $v : \tau$, if $\mu; \sigma \vdash v : \tau \rightsquigarrow v : \tau \dashv \mu; \sigma'$ then $v : \tau$ determines the possible forms of $v : \tau$.

1. If $v : \tau \triangleq \bar{b}^n : \text{int}(n)$, then $v : \tau \triangleq v : \tau$
2. If $v : \tau \triangleq \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \tau$, then $v : \tau$ is either:
 - (a) An opaque pointer of the form $\langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \text{ptr}$.
 - (b) An integer of the form $\bar{b}^n : \text{int}(n)$.
 - (c) An LLVM product type $\langle \bar{v} \rangle : \bar{\tau}$.

Similarly, if $\mu; \sigma \vdash v : \tau \leftarrow v : \tau \dashv \mu'; \sigma$

then the form of $v : \tau$ determines the possible forms of $v : \tau$.

1. If $v : \tau \triangleq \bar{b}^n : \text{int}(n)$, then $v : \tau$ is either:
 - (a) An integer value of the same form.
 - (b) A pointer value of the form $\langle \ell, * \rangle : *\tau$
 - (c) A Rust product value $\langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \tau^p$ stored at some valid location ℓ .
2. If $v : \tau \triangleq \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \text{ptr}$, then $v : \tau$ is either:
 - (a) A Rust product value $\langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \tau^p$ for some τ^p
 - (b) A Rust pointer value $\langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : *\tau$ for some τ .
3. If $v : \tau \triangleq \langle \bar{\tau} \rangle : \bar{\tau}$ then $v : \tau$ must be a Rust product value $\langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \tau^p$ for some τ^p .

Proof. By Lemma 2.9.1 and inspection of the syntax for the value conversion judgement. \square

Lemma 2.9.3. For all well-formed, typed scalar values $v : \tau$ and all valid heap locations ℓ , we have:

$$\mu \vdash \text{write}(\ell, v) \dashv \mu' \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mu'; \sigma \vdash \text{read}(\ell, \tau) = v \dashv \sigma'$$

Proof. By inversion, guided by the structure of $v : \tau$. Since $v : \tau$ is a well-formed, scalar-typed value, we have $\vdash v : \tau$ and $\text{scalar}(\tau)$. It follows that v is either a byte string \bar{b} or a pointer $\langle \ell', \varrho \rangle$ to some location ℓ' with some provenance ϱ .

Case 1: $v \triangleq \bar{b}^n$

By Lemma 2.9.1 we have that $\tau \triangleq \text{int}(n)$. By inversion of W-BYTES and for $i \in [0, n - 1]$, the store μ' maps each location $\ell + i$ to the tuple $\langle b_{i+1}, \cdot \rangle$. By STORE and STORE-LIST, we have that

$$\mu'(\ell), \dots, \mu'(\ell + n - 1) = \mu'(\ell, n) = \overline{\langle b, \cdot \rangle}^n$$

Exposing the null provenance of each byte leave σ unchanged (EX-NULL). We can now apply R-INT to read the original value \bar{b} back from the store.

Case 2: $v \triangleq \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle$

By Lemma 2.9.1 and since $\text{scalar}(\tau)$, we have that τ is either $\star \tau$ of ptr . Each are treated equivalently. We can implicitly convert the location ℓ into the byte string, \bar{b}_{ptr}^n , so we proceed as in the first case. However, instead of the null provenance, we have:

$$\mu'(\ell, n_{ptr}) = \overline{\langle b, \varrho \rangle}^{n_{ptr}}$$

Each ϱ_i is equivalent to the provenance ϱ of the pointer value. Now, we can apply R-PTR to reach our goal by reading the original value $\langle \ell, \varrho \rangle$ back from the store. \square

Theorem 2.9.1 (Conversion is semi-functional). For all well-typed values $v : \tau$ and $v : \tau$, there exists some heaps μ, μ' and tag sets σ, σ' such that

$$\mu; \sigma \vdash v : \tau \Leftarrow v : \tau \dashv \mu' \sigma \Rightarrow \mu'; \sigma \vdash v : \tau \rightsquigarrow v : \tau \dashv \mu' \sigma'$$

Converting an LLVM value to Rust may affect the heap, but it will not change the tag set. Likewise, converting a Rust value to LLVM may affect the tag set but it will not change the contents of the heap.

Case 1: $v : \tau \triangleq \bar{b} : \tau$

By Lemma 2.9.2, $v : \tau$ can take one of the following forms:

Subcase 1: $v : \tau \triangleq \bar{b} : \tau_b$

Both typed values are interconvertible by C-INT.

Subcase 2: $v : \tau \triangleq \langle \ell, \ast \rangle : \tau$

By inversion of C-PTRFROMINT, we have $\ell \triangleq \bar{b}$. We can now apply C-PTRTOINT to achieve our goal.

Subcase 3: $v : \tau \triangleq \langle \ell, \ast \rangle : \langle \tau, 0 \rangle$ and $\text{scalar}(\tau)$

By inversion of C-FIELDFROMSCALAR, we have:

$$\mu; \sigma \vdash v_b : \tau \Leftarrow v_b : \tau \dashv \mu''; \sigma \quad \mu'' \vdash \text{write}(\ell, \bar{b}) \dashv \mu' \quad \text{scalar}(\tau)$$

By the induction hypothesis and Lemma 2.9.3, we have:

$$\mu' \sigma \vdash \text{read}(\ell, \tau) \dashv \mu'; \sigma'' \quad \mu'; \sigma'' \vdash \tau \rightsquigarrow v_b \dashv \mu'; \sigma'$$

Now we can apply C-FIELDTOSCALAR to reach our goal.

Subcase 4: $v : \tau \triangleq \langle \ell, \ast \rangle : \tau^p$

By inversion of C-PRODFROMINT, we have:

$$\text{sizeof}(\tau^p) = q \quad \mu \dashv \text{write}(\ell, \bar{b}, \dashv) \mu'$$

By Lemma 2.9.3, we have:

$$\mu' \sigma \vdash \text{read}(\ell, \tau) \dashv \mu'; \sigma'$$

We can apply C-PRODTOINT to reach our goal.

Case 2: $v : \tau \triangleq \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \text{ptr}$

By Lemma 2.9.2, $v : \tau$ must take the following forms:

Subcase 1: $v : \tau \triangleq \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : * \tau$ for some τ

Both typed values are interconvertible by C-POINTERFROMPOINTER and C-ANYTOPOINTER.

Subcase 2: $v : \tau \triangleq \langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \langle \tau, 0 \rangle$ for some τ

Equivalent to Case 1, Subcase 3.

Case 3: $v : \tau \triangleq \langle \bar{v} \rangle : \bar{\tau}$

By Lemma 2.9.2, $v : \tau$ must be equivalent to $\langle \ell, \varrho \rangle : \tau^p$ for some τ^p , which is interconvertible by C-PRODUCT and the induction hypothesis.

Theorem 2.9.2 (Equal size is required). Value conversion will succeed if and only if Rust and LLVM values have the same size. For all well-typed values $v : \tau$ and $v : \tau$, if there exists some heaps μ, μ' and tag sets σ, σ' such that either

$$\mu; \sigma \vdash v : \tau \rightsquigarrow v : \tau \dashv \mu'; \sigma \quad \text{or} \quad \mu; \sigma \vdash v : \tau \rightsquigarrow v : \tau \dashv \mu; \sigma'$$

Then either $\text{sizeof}(\tau) = \text{sizeof}(\tau)$ or $\tau = \text{ptr}$. That is, conversion will get “stuck” (which is reported as undefined behavior) if the types on either side of the boundary have unequal size, unless the LLVM type is an opaque pointer.

Proof. By induction on value conversion. Cases in either direction are equivalent; here, we consider the forwards case (\rightsquigarrow) of a Rust value $v : \tau$ being converted into an LLVM value. By Lemma 2.9.2, if the Rust value is an integer such that $v : \tau \triangleq \bar{b} : \tau_b$, then the LLVM value has the same type, so size is preserved. The remaining cases involve products and pointers, where the Rust value takes the form $\langle \ell, \varrho \rangle$ for some τ .

Case 1: $\tau \triangleq * \tau$

Then the LLVM value is either an opaque pointer (C-POINTER) or an integer with a size equal to the size of a pointer (C-POINTERTOINT).

Case 2: $\tau \triangleq \langle \tau^p, 0 \rangle$

By inversion of FIELDTOSCALAR, the induction hypothesis, and TS-R-FIELD.

Case 3: $\tau \triangleq \tau^p, \tau : v \triangleq \bar{b} : \text{int}(q)$

By inversion of C-PRODUCTTOINT we have $\text{sizeof}(\tau^p) = q$, which is equal to the size of the value read from memory.

Case 4: $\tau \triangleq \tau^p, \tau : v \triangleq \langle \bar{v} \rangle : \bar{\tau}$

By inversion of C-PRODUCT and the induction hypothesis, size is preserved for each field, so size is preserved for the entire product. □

2.10 Parameter Passing

Algorithm 1: Converting a list of LLVM arguments to Rust arguments.

```

// A list of typed values provided by Rust
 $R \leftarrow [\overline{v}, \overline{\tau}^n]$ ;
// A list of LLVM types.
 $L \leftarrow [\overline{\tau}^n]$ ;
// A calling convention; either ‘static’ or ‘variable’.
 $C \leftarrow c$ ;
// The list of converted arguments
 $A \leftarrow []$ ;
// The initial store and tag set.
 $S \leftarrow \mu; \sigma$ ;
while  $R$  is not empty do
   $v_i : \tau_i \leftarrow \text{next}(R)$ ;
  if  $L$  is not empty then
     $\tau_j \leftarrow \text{next}(L)$ ;
    if  $\text{sizeof}(\tau_i) = \text{sizeof}(\tau_j)$  then
       $S \leftarrow S'$  where  $S \vdash v_i : \tau_i \rightsquigarrow v_j : \tau_j \dashv S'$ ;
       $A \leftarrow A ++ [v_j : \tau_j]$ ;
      continue
    else
      /* We only expand homogeneous aggregates when converting from Rust; in
         the other direction, we skip directly to an error. */
      if  $\tau \triangleq \overline{\tau}^n$  and  $\text{homogeneous}(\tau)$  then
        if  $\text{len}(L) \geq n + \text{len}(R)$  then
           $R \leftarrow R ++ [\text{fields}(v_i : \tau_i)]$ ;
          continue
        end
      end
    end
  end
  else
    if  $L$  is empty and  $C = \text{variable}$  and  $\text{scalar}(\tau_i)$  then
       $L \leftarrow L ++ [\text{equivalent}(\tau_i)]$ ; continue
    end
  end
  error()
end

```
