

A Verified Information Flow Type Checker

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Motivation

- Always desireable!
- ..but hasn't been done (we think)
- How hard is it (scale to JIF?)

Approach

- Simplified Pottier and Simonet's CoreML²
 - Effectively STLC w/o parametric polymorphism
 - For now, no references or exceptions
- Coq proofs of:
 - Type checking
 - Label checking

Example Program

```
let (h:int<High>) = 0 in  
let (l:int<Low>) = 1 in  
if h == 0 then 1 else 0
```

- Simple labeled types (2 labels)
- This should not type check
 - Leaks h!

Example Program

```
let (h:int<High>) = <0 | 1> in  
let (l:int<Low>) = 1 in  
if h == 0 then 1 else 0
```

- Basic trick: prove evaluation does not result in $\langle a \mid b \rangle$ term
 - Reduction rules for $\langle a \mid a \rangle \rightarrow a$

Goals and Future

- Goal: learn what's difficult
- Next: Exceptions, references, richer types and labels.
- Eventually: verified mature IF language, Jif/FlowCaml