Gradual Verification

with Implicit Dynamic Frames

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Gradual Verification

(with Implicit Dynamic Frames)

```
int getFour(int i)
    requires ?; // haven't figured that one out, yet
    ensures result = 4;
{
    i = i + 1;
    return i;
}
```

Motivation

- Program verification (against some specification)
- Two flavors: static & dynamic

```
// spec: callable only if (this.balance >= amount)
void withdrawCoins(int amount)
{
    // business logic
    this.balance -= amount;
}
```

Dynamic Verification

- runtime checks
- testing techniques
- guarantee compliance at runtime

```
void withdrawCoins(int amount)
{
   assert this.balance >= amount;
   // business logic
   this.balance -= amount;
}
```

Dynamic Verification – Drawbacks

runtime checks

runtime overhead

testing techniques

additional efforts

guarantee compliance at runtime pot. late detection

```
void withdrawCoins(int amount)
   requires this.balance >= amount;
   // business logic
   this.balance -= amount;
```

Static Verification

- declarative
- formal logic
- guarantee compliance in advance

```
void withdrawCoins(int amount)
   requires this.balance >= amount;
{
   // business logic
   this.balance -= amount;
}
```

Static Verification — Drawbacks

- declarative
- formal logic

- limited syntax decidability
- guarantee compliance in advance annotation pressure

```
void withdrawCoins(int amount)
   requires this.balance >= amount;
   ensures this.balance = old(this.balance) - amount;
{
   // business logic
   this.balance -= amount;
}
```

Solution? Static + Dynamic

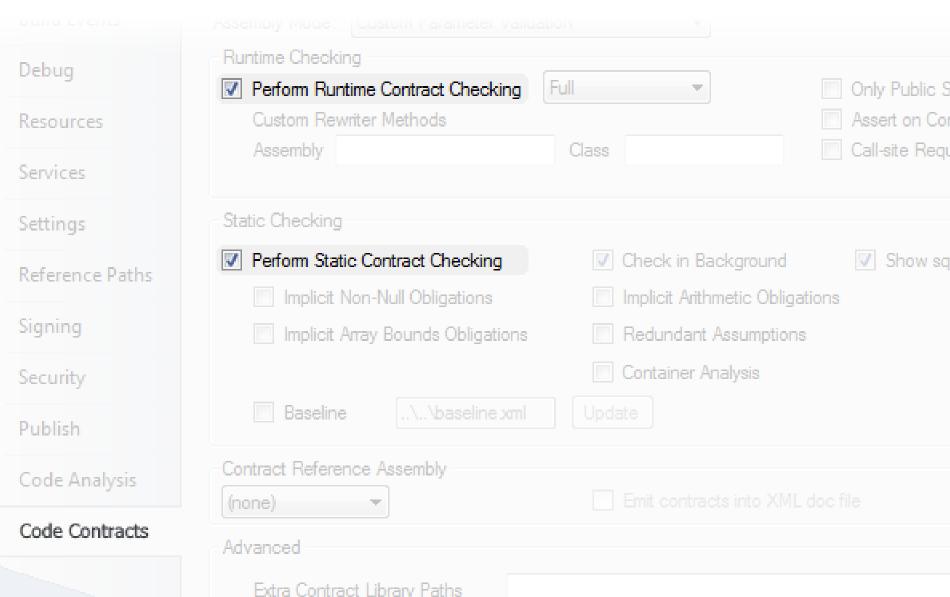
Means:

- "relaxed" static verification (warnings on failure)
- turn contracts into runtime assertions

Notable implementations:

- Java with JML annotations
 - "ESC/Java" for static verification
 - "JML4c" for dynamic verification
- Code Contracts for .NET (by RiSE, MSR)

Solution? Static + Dynamic



Solution! Static ⊕ Dynamic

```
"Static Typing Where Possible,
Dynamic Typing When Needed" (Erik Meijer)
```

```
void withdrawCoins(int amount)
    requires this.balance >= amount;
{
    ...
}
...
acc.balance = 100;
acc.withdrawCoins(50); // can prove acc.balance >= 50
acc.withdrawCoins(30); // can't prove acc.balance >= 30
acc.withdrawCoins(30); // can't prove acc.balance >= 30
```

Approach

Syntax

 $s \in Stmt$

 $\phi \in \text{Formula}$

Program State

 $\pi \in PROGRAMSTATE$

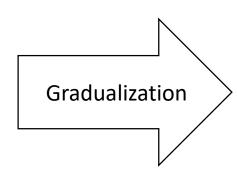
Semantics

Static $\vdash \{\phi\} \ s \ \{\phi\}$

Dynamic $\pi \longrightarrow \pi$

Formula $\pi \models \phi$

Soundness



Syntax

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 $\widetilde{\phi} \in \widetilde{\mathbf{F}}\mathbf{ORMULA}$

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$$e ::= x \mid n \mid e_1 + e_2$$

$$s ::= x := e \mid \operatorname{assert} \phi \mid s_1; s_2$$

$$\phi$$
 ::= true | $(e_1 = e_2)$ | $\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2$

$$= (VAR \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0) \times STMT$$

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$$\frac{x := e}{\vdash \{\phi[e/x]\} \ x := e \ \{\phi\}} \text{ HASSIGN}$$

$$\frac{\phi \Rightarrow \phi_a}{\vdash \{\phi\} \text{ assert } \phi_a \ \{\phi\}} \text{ HASSERT}$$

$$\frac{\phi_{q1} \Rightarrow \phi_{q2}}{\vdash \{\phi_p\} \ s_1 \ \{\phi_{q1}\} \ \vdash \{\phi_{q2}\} \ s_2 \ \{\phi_r\}} + \{\phi_p\} \ s_1; \ s_2 \ \{\phi_r\}$$
 HSEQ

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$$\frac{\mathcal{N}_{\sigma}(e) = n}{\langle \sigma, x := e; s \rangle \longrightarrow \langle \sigma[x \mapsto n], s \rangle} \text{ SsAssign}$$

$$\frac{\langle \sigma, \text{assert } \phi_a; s \rangle \vDash \phi_a}{\langle \sigma, \text{assert } \phi_a; s \rangle \longrightarrow \langle \sigma, s \rangle} \text{ SsAssert}$$

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$$\langle [x \mapsto 3], s \rangle \vDash (x = 3)$$

 $\langle [x \mapsto 3, y \mapsto 5], s \rangle \vDash (y \neq x)$

$$\phi_1 \Rightarrow \phi_2 \stackrel{\mathsf{def}}{\Longleftrightarrow} \forall \pi. \ \pi \vDash \phi_1 \implies \pi \vDash \phi_2$$

$$(a = b) \land (b = c) \Rightarrow (a = c)$$

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$$\frac{\vdash \{\phi\} \ s \ \{\phi'\}}{\models \{\phi\} \ s \ \{\phi'\}} \text{ Soundness}$$

$$\models \{\phi\} \ s \ \{\phi'\}$$

$$\iff$$

$$\forall \pi, \pi'. \ \pi \xrightarrow{s} \pi' \land \pi \models \phi \implies \pi' \models \phi'$$

Gradualization – Overview

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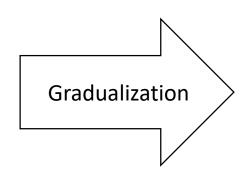
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Syntax

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Semantics

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Dynamic $\widetilde{\pi} \longrightarrow \widetilde{\pi}$

Formula $\widetilde{\pi} \stackrel{\sim}{\models} \widetilde{\phi}$

Gradualization – Goal 1/3

Introduction of wildcard formula ?

- placeholder for arbitrary (satisfiable) formula
- enables Hoare deduction despite incomplete information
- enables gradual annotation of programs (? as default)

Formula Precision

$$\widetilde{\phi_1} \sqsubseteq \widetilde{\phi_2} \stackrel{\mathsf{def}}{\iff} \gamma(\widetilde{\phi_1}) \subseteq \gamma(\widetilde{\phi_2})$$

Gradualization – Goal 2/3

Compatibility with static language

- don't reject source code that was accepted before
- observable behavior is not changed

dynamic

static

FORMULA
$$\subseteq$$
 FORMULA STMT \subseteq STMT
$$\vdash \{\phi\} \ s \ \{\phi'\} \implies \vdash \{\phi\} \ s \ \{\phi'\}$$

$$\pi \xrightarrow{s} \pi' \implies \exists \pi''. \ \pi \xrightarrow{s} \pi'' \land (\forall \phi. \ \pi' \vDash \phi \implies \pi'' \vDash \phi)$$

Gradualization – Goal 3/3

Gradual guarantee (Siek et al.), adapted Reducing precision will not

- introduce verification failure
- change observable behavior

static

dynamic

Given
$$\widetilde{\phi_{1}} \sqsubseteq \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \wedge \widetilde{\phi'_{1}} \sqsubseteq \widetilde{\phi'_{2}} \wedge \widetilde{s_{1}} \sqsubseteq \widetilde{s_{2}} \wedge \widetilde{\pi_{1}} \sqsubseteq \widetilde{\pi_{2}}$$

$$\widetilde{\vdash} \{\widetilde{\phi_{1}}\} \widetilde{s_{1}} \{\widetilde{\phi'_{1}}\} \Longrightarrow \widetilde{\vdash} \{\widetilde{\phi_{2}}\} \widetilde{s_{2}} \{\widetilde{\phi'_{2}}\}$$

$$\widetilde{\pi_{1}} \xrightarrow{\widetilde{s_{1}}} \widetilde{\pi'_{1}} \Longrightarrow \exists \widetilde{\pi'_{2}}. \ \widetilde{\pi_{2}} \xrightarrow{\widetilde{s_{2}}} \widetilde{\pi'_{2}} \wedge \widetilde{\pi'_{1}} \sqsubseteq \widetilde{\pi'_{2}}$$

Gradual Predicate Lifting

Introduction

$$\forall \phi_1, \phi_2 \in \text{FORMULA. } P(\phi_1, \phi_2) \implies \widetilde{P}(\phi_1, \phi_2)$$

Monotonicity

$$\forall \widetilde{\phi_1}, \widetilde{\phi_2}, \widetilde{\phi_1'}, \widetilde{\phi_2'} \in \widetilde{\mathrm{Formula}}. \ \widetilde{\phi_1} \sqsubseteq \widetilde{\phi_1'} \land \widetilde{\phi_2} \sqsubseteq \widetilde{\phi_2'} \land \widetilde{P}(\widetilde{\phi_1}, \widetilde{\phi_2}) \implies \widetilde{P}(\widetilde{\phi_1'}, \widetilde{\phi_2'})$$

$$P(\phi_{1},\phi_{a},\phi_{2}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \phi_{1} = \phi_{2} \wedge \phi_{1} \Rightarrow \phi_{a} \qquad \qquad \phi \Rightarrow \phi_{a} \qquad \qquad F(\phi_{1},\widetilde{\phi_{a}},\widetilde{\phi_{2}}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \approx \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \wedge \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{a}} \qquad \qquad F(\phi_{1},\widetilde{\phi_{a}},\widetilde{\phi_{2}}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \approx \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \wedge \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \wedge \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{a}} \qquad \qquad F(\phi_{1},\widetilde{\phi_{a}},\widetilde{\phi_{2}}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \widetilde{\phi_{1}} = \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \vee \widetilde{\phi_{1}} = ? \vee \widetilde{\phi_{2}} = ? \qquad \qquad F(\phi_{1},\widetilde{\phi_{1}}) \cong \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \otimes \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong ? \vee \widetilde{\phi_{2}} = ? \qquad \qquad \widetilde{F}(\phi_{1},\widetilde{\phi_{1}}) \cong \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \otimes \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong ? \vee \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \cong ? \qquad \qquad \widetilde{F}(\phi_{1},\widetilde{\phi_{1}}) \cong \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \otimes \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong ? \vee \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \cong ? \qquad \qquad \widetilde{F}(\phi_{1},\widetilde{\phi_{2}}) \cong \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \otimes \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong ? \vee \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \cong ? \qquad \qquad \widetilde{F}(\phi_{1},\widetilde{\phi_{2}}) \cong \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{1}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_{2}} \cong \widetilde{\phi_$$

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Gradual Predicate Lifting

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(Optimality)

 \widetilde{P} is smallest predicate closed under above rules

$$\widetilde{P}(\widetilde{\phi_1}, \widetilde{\phi_2}) \iff \exists \phi_1 \in \gamma(\widetilde{\phi_1}), \phi_2 \in \gamma(\widetilde{\phi_2}). \ P(\phi_1, \phi_2)$$

Gradual Predicate Lifting

$$\widetilde{\pi} \ \widetilde{\models} \ \widetilde{\phi}$$

$$\iff \exists \pi \in \gamma(\widetilde{\pi}), \phi \in \gamma(\widetilde{\phi}). \ \pi \models \phi$$

$$\iff \exists \phi \in \gamma(\widetilde{\phi}). \ \widetilde{\pi} \models \phi$$

$$\iff \widetilde{\pi} \models \widetilde{\phi} \lor \widetilde{\phi} = ?$$

$$\frac{\widetilde{\pi} \vDash \phi}{\widetilde{\pi} \widetilde{\vDash} \phi} \text{ EVALPHISTATIC}$$

$$\frac{}{\widetilde{\pi} \ \widetilde{\models} \ ?}$$
 EVALPHISTATIC



$$\widetilde{P}(\widetilde{\phi_1}, \widetilde{\phi_2}) \iff \exists \phi_1 \in \gamma(\widetilde{\phi_1}), \phi_2 \in \gamma(\widetilde{\phi_2}). \ P(\phi_1, \phi_2)$$

Gradual Function Lifting

Introduction

$$\forall \phi \in \text{FORMULA. } f(\phi) \sqsubseteq \widetilde{f}(\phi)$$

Monotonicity

$$\forall \widetilde{\phi_1}, \widetilde{\phi_2} \in \widetilde{F}ORMULA. \ \widetilde{\phi_1} \sqsubseteq \widetilde{\phi_2} \implies \widetilde{f}(\widetilde{\phi_1}) \sqsubseteq \widetilde{f}(\widetilde{\phi_2})$$

(Optimality)

 \widetilde{f} has most precise return values among all liftings

$$\Leftrightarrow$$
 $\widetilde{f}(\widetilde{\phi}) = \alpha(\overline{f}(\gamma(\widetilde{\phi})))$ where $\langle \alpha, \gamma \rangle$ is $\{\overline{f}\}$ -partial Galois connection

Gradual Partial Function Lifting

Introduction

$$\forall \phi \in \text{FORMULA} \cap \text{dom}(f). \ f(\phi) \sqsubseteq \widetilde{f}(\phi)$$

Monotonicity

$$\forall \widetilde{\phi_1}, \widetilde{\phi_2} \in \widetilde{\mathrm{F}}$$
ORMULA. $\widetilde{\phi_1} \sqsubseteq \widetilde{\phi_2} \land \widetilde{\phi_1} \in \mathsf{dom}(\widetilde{f}) \implies \widetilde{f}(\widetilde{\phi_1}) \sqsubseteq \widetilde{f}(\widetilde{\phi_2})$

(Optimality)

 \widetilde{f} has smallest domain and most precise return values among all liftings

$$\iff \widetilde{f}(\widetilde{\phi}) = \alpha(\overline{f}(\gamma(\widetilde{\phi})))$$
 where $\langle \alpha, \gamma \rangle$ is $\{\overline{f}\}$ -partial Galois connection

Gradual Verification - Approach

Syntax

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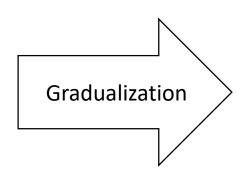
Semantics

Static $\vdash \{\phi\} \ s \ \{\phi\}$

Dynamic $\pi \longrightarrow \pi$

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Soundness



Syntax

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 $\widetilde{\phi} \in \widetilde{F}ORMULA$

Program State

 $\widetilde{\pi} \in \widetilde{P}_{ROGRAMSTATE}$

Semantics

Static $\widetilde{\vdash} \{\widetilde{\phi}\} \ \widetilde{s} \ \{\widetilde{\phi}\}$

Dynamic $\widetilde{\pi} \longrightarrow \widetilde{\pi}$

Formula $\widetilde{\pi} \stackrel{\sim}{\models} \widetilde{\phi}$

Gradual Verification - Approach

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 $s \in Stmt$

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Static $\vdash \{\phi\} \ s \ \{\phi\}$

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Formula $\pi \models \phi$

Soundness

syntax extension

abstract interpretation

predicate lifting

partial function lifting

predicate lifting

Syntax

 $\widetilde{s} \in \widetilde{\mathbf{S}}_{\mathsf{TMT}}$

 $\widetilde{\phi} \in \widetilde{F}ORMULA$

Program State

 $\widetilde{\pi} \in \widetilde{P}_{ROGRAM}$ STATE

Semantics

Static $\widetilde{\vdash} \{\widetilde{\phi}\} \ \widetilde{s} \ \{\widetilde{\phi}\}$

Dynamic $\widetilde{\pi} \longrightarrow \widetilde{\pi}$

Formula $\widetilde{\pi} \stackrel{\sim}{\models} \widetilde{\phi}$

Gradual Soundness

$$\frac{\vdash \{\phi\} \ s \ \{\phi'\}}{\models \{\phi\} \ s \ \{\phi'\}} \text{ Soundness}$$

$$\vDash \{\phi\} \ s \ \{\phi'\}$$

$$\iff$$

$$\forall \pi, \pi'. \ \pi \xrightarrow{s} \pi' \land \pi \vDash \phi \implies \pi' \vDash \phi'$$

$$\frac{\widetilde{\vdash} \left\{\widetilde{\phi}\right\} \, \widetilde{s} \, \left\{\widetilde{\phi'}\right\}}{\widetilde{\vdash} \left\{\widetilde{\phi}\right\} \, \widetilde{s}; \text{ assert } \widetilde{\phi'} \, \left\{\widetilde{\phi'}\right\}} \, \widetilde{\text{Soundness}}$$

$$\widetilde{\vDash} \ \{\widetilde{\phi}\} \ \widetilde{s} \ \{\widetilde{\phi}'\}$$

$$\stackrel{\mathsf{def}}{\Longleftrightarrow}$$

$$\forall \widetilde{\pi}, \widetilde{\pi'}. \ \widetilde{\pi} \overset{\widetilde{s}}{\longrightarrow} \widetilde{\pi'} \wedge \widetilde{\pi} \ \widetilde{\vDash} \ \widetilde{\phi} \ \Longrightarrow \ \widetilde{\pi'} \ \widetilde{\vDash} \ \widetilde{\phi'}$$

$$\widetilde{\vdash} \ \{?\} \ y \ := \ 4 \ \{ (x = 2) \ \land \ (y = 4) \}$$

$$\widetilde{\vdash} \ \{?\} \ y \ := \ 4; \ assert \ (x = 2) \ \{ (x = 2) \ \land \ (y = 4) \}$$

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Gradual Verification — Put to the Test

$$\frac{\widetilde{\phi_1} \widetilde{\Rightarrow} \widetilde{\phi_2}}{\widetilde{\vdash} \{?\} \ y := 2 \ \{\widetilde{\phi_1}\}} \qquad \widetilde{\vdash} \ \{\widetilde{\phi_2}\} \ x := 3 \ \{(x = 3) \ \land \ (y = 2)\}$$

$$\widetilde{\vdash} \ \{?\} \ y := 2; \ x := 3 \ \{(x = 3) \ \land \ (y = 2)\}$$

$$\widetilde{\vdash} \ \{?\} \ y := 2; \ x := 3 \ \{(x = 3) \ \land \ (y = 2)\}$$

a)
$$\widetilde{\phi_1}=(y=2)$$
 $\widetilde{\phi_2}=(y=2)$

"good" (Hoare triples even valid)but only one option

b)
$$\widetilde{\phi_1}=?$$
 $\widetilde{\phi_2}=?$

"too weak" (no information forwarded) idea: try to be more precise

c)
$$\widetilde{\phi_1} = (y = 2) \land (x = 4)$$

 $\widetilde{\phi_2} = (y = 2)$

"too strict" (unnecessary assumption) idea: try to produce valid Hoare triple

• Idea: treat static Hoare logic as (multivalued) function

$$\vdash \{\cdot\} \cdot \{\cdot\} \subseteq FORMULA \times STMT \times FORMULA$$

$$\vdash \{\cdot\} \cdot \{\cdot\} : FORMULA \times STMT \to \mathcal{P}^{FORMULA}$$

• lift that function (rules similar to partial function)

$$\vec{\vdash} \{\cdot\} \cdot \{\cdot\} : \widetilde{F}ORMULA \times \widetilde{S}TMT \to \widetilde{F}ORMULA$$

- Properties
 - can derive gradual lifting
 - stronger, assertion-free notion of soundness
 - deterministic verifier
 - free transitivity (no assertions to justify premises of $\widetilde{\mathrm{HSeQ}}$)

Introduction
$$\forall \phi_1, \phi_2. \ P(\phi_1, \phi_2) \implies \phi_1 \in \mathsf{dom}(\vec{P})$$

Strength
$$\forall \widetilde{\phi_1}, \widetilde{\phi_2}. \ \overrightarrow{P}(\widetilde{\phi_1}) = \widetilde{\phi_2} \implies \forall \phi_1 \in \gamma(\widetilde{\phi_1}), \ \phi. \ P(\phi_1, \phi)$$
 $\implies \exists \phi_2 \in \gamma(\widetilde{\phi_2}). \ P(\phi_1, \phi_2) \ \land \ (\phi_2 \Rightarrow \phi)$

Monotonicity

$$\forall \widetilde{\phi_1}, \widetilde{\phi_2} \in \widetilde{\mathrm{F}}\mathrm{ORMULA}. \ \widetilde{\phi_1} \sqsubseteq \widetilde{\phi_2} \wedge \widetilde{\phi_1} \in \mathsf{dom}(\vec{P}) \implies \vec{P}(\widetilde{\phi_1}) \sqsubseteq \vec{P}(\widetilde{\phi_2})$$

(Optimality)

 \vec{P} has smallest domain and most precise return values among all liftings

Obtaining a Gradual Lifting

Let

$$\vec{\vdash} \{\cdot\} \cdot \{\cdot\} : \widetilde{F}ORMULA \times \widetilde{S}TMT \to \widetilde{F}ORMULA$$

be a deterministic lifting of

$$\vdash \{\cdot\} \cdot \{\cdot\} \subseteq FORMULA \times STMT \times FORMULA$$

Let

$$\widetilde{\vdash} \{\cdot\} \cdot \{\cdot\} : \widetilde{F}ORMULA \times \widetilde{S}TMT \times \widetilde{F}ORMULA$$

be defined as

$$\widetilde{\vdash} \ \{\widetilde{\phi_1}\} \ \widetilde{s} \ \{\widetilde{\phi_2}\} \quad \stackrel{\mathsf{def}}{\Longleftrightarrow} \quad \exists \widetilde{\phi_2'}. \ \ \overrightarrow{\vdash} \ \{\widetilde{\phi_1}\} \ \widetilde{s} \ \{\widetilde{\phi_2'}\} \wedge \widetilde{\phi_2'} \ \widetilde{\Rightarrow} \ \widetilde{\phi_2}$$

Then $\widetilde{\vdash} \{\cdot\} \cdot \{\cdot\}$ is a gradual lifting of $\vdash \{\cdot\} \cdot \{\cdot\}$

$$\frac{\vec{\vdash} \{\widetilde{\phi}\} \ \widetilde{s} \ \{\widetilde{\phi}'\}}{\widetilde{\vdash} \{\widetilde{\phi}\} \ \widetilde{s} \ \{\widetilde{\phi}'\}} \ \vec{\text{Soundness}}$$

- satisfiable (but not a tautology)
- very helpful for optimizations

Deterministic Lifting – HASSIGN

$$\frac{x := e}{\vdash \{\phi[e/x]\} \ x := e \ \{\phi\}} \text{ HASSIGN}$$

$$\frac{x \notin \mathsf{FV}(\phi) \quad x \notin \mathsf{FV}(e)}{\vec{\vdash} \{\phi\} \ x := e \ \{\phi \land (x = e)\}} \ \vec{\mathsf{H}} \text{Assign1}$$

$$\frac{\vec{\mathrm{H}} \text{Assign1} \ does \ not \ apply}{\vec{\vdash} \ \{\widetilde{\phi}\} \ x \ := \ e \ \{?\}} \ \vec{\mathrm{H}} \text{Assign2}$$

Deterministic Lifting -HASSERT

$$\frac{\phi \Rightarrow \phi_a}{\vdash \{\phi\} \text{ assert } \phi_a \{\phi\}} \text{ HASSERT}$$

$$\frac{\phi \Rightarrow \phi_a}{\vec{\vdash} \{\phi\} \text{ assert } \phi_a \{\phi\}} \vec{\text{HASSERT1}}$$

$$\frac{\phi_a \in \text{SATFORMULA}}{\vec{\vdash} \ \{?\} \text{ assert } \phi_a \ \{?\}} \vec{H} \text{Assert2}$$

Deterministic Lifting – HSEQ

$$\frac{\phi_{q1} \Rightarrow \phi_{q2}}{\vdash \{\phi_p\} \ s_1 \ \{\phi_{q1}\} \ \vdash \{\phi_{q2}\} \ s_2 \ \{\phi_r\}} + \{\phi_p\} \ s_1; \ s_2 \ \{\phi_r\}$$
 HSEQ

$$\frac{\widetilde{\phi_{q1}} \stackrel{\Rightarrow}{\Rightarrow} \widetilde{\phi_{q2}}}{\stackrel{\vdash}{\vdash} \{\widetilde{\phi_{p}}\}} \underbrace{\widetilde{s_{1}} \{\widetilde{\phi_{q1}}\} \stackrel{\vdash}{\vdash} \{\widetilde{\phi_{q2}}\} \widetilde{s_{2}} \{\widetilde{\phi_{r}}\}}_{\stackrel{\vdash}{\vdash} \{\widetilde{\phi_{p}}\} \widetilde{s_{1}}; \widetilde{s_{2}} \{\widetilde{\phi_{r}}\}} \stackrel{\text{HSeq}}{\vdash}$$

Demo

http://olydis.github.io/GradVer/impl/HTML5/