Abstract interpretation, re-reloaded

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Week 4, Abstract Interpretation

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A first in-depth look at abstract interpretation based on Cousot-Cousot:JLP92.

- □ Foundations: Fixed points, Galois connections, ...
- The Galois approach and friends: closure operators, Moore families, ...
- From collecting semantics to analysis (soundness, optimality, completeness)
- The first step towards analysing Plotkin's three counter machine

More approximation methods for abstract interpretation (Cousot-Cousot:JLP92):

- Partitioning
- Relational and attribute independent analysis
- □ Inducing, abstracting, approximating fixed points
- □ Widening, narrowing
- □ Forwards/backwards analysis

More fun with Plotkin's three counter machine

Partitioning

Partitioning

Definition. Let *L* be a set of labels. A *partition* of a complete lattice $\langle C; \sqsubseteq, \bot, \top, \sqcup, \sqcap \rangle$ is a function $\delta : L \to C$ that (a) covers $\mathbf{C}: \top = \sqcup_{l \in L} \delta(l)$, and (b) is disjoint: $\forall \ell, \ell' \in L : \ell \neq \ell' \implies \delta(\ell) \sqcap \delta(\ell') = \bot$

Proposition. Let $\delta : L \to C$ be a partition of a complete lattice $\langle C; \sqsubseteq, \bot, \top, \sqcup, \sqcap \rangle$. Then the abstract domain $A = \prod_{\ell \in L} \{c \sqcap \delta(\ell) \mid c \in C\}$ ordered componentwise $a \leq a' \iff \forall \ell \in L : a(\ell) \sqsubseteq a'(\ell)$ forms a Galois connection:

$$\langle C; \sqsubseteq \rangle \xleftarrow{\gamma}{\alpha} \langle A; \leq \rangle$$

where $\alpha(c) = \lambda \ell. c \sqcap \delta(\ell)$ $\gamma(a) = \bigsqcup_{\ell \in L} a(\ell)$

By reducing the domain we can obtain a Galois surj. 5/50

Example: partitioning

Intuitively, we divide a set into a number of regions:

For example, the first abstraction of the 3 counter machine collecting semantics, groups quadruples with same pc: L = PC

$$\delta(pc) = \{ \langle pc, xv, yv, zv \rangle \mid xv \in \mathbb{N}_0, yv \in \mathbb{N}_0, zv \in \mathbb{N}_0 \}$$

 $\wp(PC \times \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0) \xleftarrow{\gamma}{\alpha} PC \to \wp(PC \times \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0)$

Relational vs. independent attribute analysis

Definition. We say an analysis is *attribute independent*, if attributes are analysed independently of each other.

For example, the Parity analysis of x, y, and z we will develop, analyses the possible values of each variable in isolation.

Definition. We say an analysis is *relational*, if it can determine relations between attributes.

For example, imagine an analysis that can determine x is odd if and only if y is even.

The loss of information in joins

Consider the following Sign domain (a variant of the two Sign domains we studied last week):



Observe how γ doesn't preserve \sqcup .

Given a Galois connection we can improve it, by considering sets of elements:

Proposition. Given a Galois connection $\langle \wp(C); \sqsubseteq \rangle \xrightarrow{\gamma} \langle A; \leq \rangle$ between complete lattices: $\langle \wp(C); \sqsubseteq, \emptyset, \overset{\alpha}{C}, \cup, \cap \rangle$ and $\langle A; \leq, \bot, \top, \lor, \wedge \rangle$ we can replace *A* by $\wp_{\downarrow}(A) = \{\downarrow S \mid S \subseteq A\}$ to form another Galois connection:

$$\langle \wp(C); \subseteq \rangle \xleftarrow[\alpha^{\wp}]{\gamma^{\wp}} \langle \wp_{\downarrow}(A); \subseteq \rangle$$

where $\downarrow S = \{a \in A \mid \exists a' \in S : a \leq a'\}$ $\alpha^{\wp}(cs) = \cap \{as \mid cs \subseteq \gamma^{\wp}(as)\} = \downarrow \{\alpha(\{c\}) \mid c \in cs\}$ $\gamma^{\wp}(as) = \gamma(as) = \sqcup_{a \in as} \gamma(a)$ 10/50

Disjunctive completion to the rescue

The completion of the earlier Sign domain:



This domain is more expressive, however exponentially larger than the starting point.

In particular, it now preserves ⊔ (from Sign)

Q: What do we obtain by domain reduction?

Disjunctive completion may not provide an improvement:



Q: What do we obtain by domain reduction?

Observation: Given *n* independent analyses, the disjunctive completion of their reduced product provides a *relational analysis*.

Example: Consider the disjunctive completion of the reduced product for Parity, for two variables x and y.

The resulting domain can express "*x* is odd if and only if *y* is even":

$$\downarrow \{ \langle odd, even \rangle, \langle even, odd \rangle \} \\= \{ \langle odd, even \rangle, \langle even, odd \rangle, \dots \}$$

Inducing, abstracting, and approximating fixed points

Fixed point inducing using Galois connections

Proposition. If $\langle C; \sqsubseteq \rangle \xrightarrow{\gamma} \langle A; \leq \rangle$ is a Galois connection between posets $\langle C; \sqsubseteq, \sqcup \rangle$ and $\langle A; \leq, \lor \rangle$, $T: C \to C$ is such that $\operatorname{lfp} T = \bigsqcup_{n \geq 0} T^n(\bot)$, $\alpha(\bot_c) = \bot_a$, $T^{\#}: A \to A$ is such that $\alpha \circ T = T^{\#} \circ \alpha$ then $\alpha(\operatorname{lfp} T) = \bigvee_{n \geq 0} T^{\#^n}(\bot_a)$ and $\bigvee_{n \geq 0} T^{\#^n}(\bot_a)$ is a fixed point of $T^{\#}$. If $T^{\#}: A \to A$ is monotone, it is furthermore the *least* fixed point ($\geq \bot_a$).

Note: this proposition concerns a *complete approximation*.

Illustration of induced fixed point



Proposition. If $\langle C; \sqsubseteq, \bot_c, \top_c, \sqcup, \sqcap \rangle$ and $\langle A; \leq, \bot_a, \top_a, \lor, \land \rangle$, are complete lattices, $\langle C; \sqsubseteq \rangle \xrightarrow{\gamma} \langle A; \leq \rangle$ and $F: C \to C$ is monotone, then $\alpha(\operatorname{lfp} F) \stackrel{\alpha}{\leq} \operatorname{lfp}(\alpha \circ F \circ \gamma)$

Note: this proposition concerns an *optimal approximation* (akin to what you did for today).

Proposition. If $\langle A; \leq, \perp_a, \top_a, \vee, \wedge \rangle$ is a complete lattice, $T^{\#}, T^{\#'}: A \to A$ are monotone functions and $T^{\#} \leq T^{\#'}$, then $\operatorname{lfp} T^{\#} \leq \operatorname{lfp} T^{\#'}$.

Read: any monotone, upward judgement of the above composition will be fine.

Illustration of approximated fixed point



Widening/narrowing reloaded

We are after a (finite) approximation sequence $\check{X}^0 \ge \check{X}^1 \ge \check{X}^2 \ge \cdots \ge \check{X}^n \ge \operatorname{lfp} T^{\#}$ of the least fixed point (from above).

We could start from, e.g., $\check{X}^0 = \top$.

For the inductive step, not much is available: the previous iterate \check{X}^k and the function $T^{\#}$. Assuming $\operatorname{lfp} T^{\#} \leq \check{X}^k$ and $T^{\#}$ is monotone, we want to ensure $\operatorname{lfp} T^{\#} \leq \check{X}^{k+1}$.

The narrowing operator \triangle simply combines the available information:

$$\check{X}^{k+1} = \check{X}^k \vartriangle T^\#(\check{X}^k)$$

Definition. A narrowing operator \triangle satisfies the following:

 $\Box \text{ For all } x, y : (x \bigtriangleup y) \le x \qquad (\text{ensure decr. seq.})$

$$\Box \text{ For all } x, y, z : x \leq y \land x \leq z \implies x \leq (y \bigtriangleup z)$$
(keep above)

□ For any decreasing chain X_i the alternative chain defined as $\check{X}^0 = X_0$ and $\check{X}^{k+1} = \check{X}^k \triangle X_{k+1}$ stabilizes after a finite number of steps.

(terminate)

Example: interval narrowing

Consider the domain of intervals: $\langle \wp(\mathbb{Z}); \subseteq \rangle \xleftarrow{\gamma}{\alpha} \langle Interval; \subseteq \rangle$ defined as follows:

 $Interval = \{[l, u] \mid l \in \mathbb{Z} \cup \{-\infty\} \land u \in \mathbb{Z} \cup \{+\infty\} \land l \leq u\} \cup \emptyset$ $[a, b] \sqsubseteq [c, d] \iff c \leq a \land b \leq d$ $\alpha(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ $\alpha(X) = [\min X, \max X] \qquad \min \mathbb{Z} = -\infty \qquad \max \mathbb{Z} = +\infty$

Strictly decreasing interval chains can be infinite:

$$[0, +\infty] \supseteq [1, +\infty] \supseteq [2, +\infty] \supseteq \dots$$

Hence we need a narrowing operator:

$$\emptyset \bigtriangleup I = \emptyset$$
 $I \bigtriangleup \emptyset = \emptyset$
 $[a, b] \bigtriangleup [c, d] = [\text{if } a = -\infty \text{ then } c \text{ else } a, \text{ if } b = +\infty \text{ then } d \text{ else } b]$

Proposition. If $T^{\#} : A \to A$ is a monotone function, and $\triangle : A \times A \to A$ is a narrowing operator and $T^{\#}(a) = a \leq a'$ then $\check{X}^0 = a', \dots, \check{X}^{k+1} = \check{X}^k \bigtriangleup T^{\#}(\check{X}^k)$ converges with limit \check{X}^n , $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $a \leq \check{X}^n \leq a'$.

Intuition: this decreasing chain is finite and may take us closer to $T^{\#}$'s fixed point from above.

Note: In a complete lattice, if all strictly decreasing chains are finite, we can use $\triangle = \Box$.

We aim for a better initial approximation than \top .

We are after a (finite) approximation sequence $\hat{X}^0 \leq \hat{X}^1 \leq \hat{X}^2 \leq \cdots \leq \hat{X}^n \geq \operatorname{lfp} T^{\#}$ of the least fixed point (starting below, ending above).

We could, e.g., try to iterate *above* a standard fixed point iteration: $X^0 = \bot, X^{k+1} = T^{\#}(X^k)$ towards $\operatorname{lfp} T^{\#}$.

Hence start from $\hat{X}^0 = \bot$

and use the widening operator ∇ to combine the available information:

$$\hat{X}^{k+1} = \hat{X}^k \lor T^\#(\hat{X}^k)$$

Definition. A widening operator satisfies the following:

$$\Box \text{ For all } x, y : x \leq (x \bigtriangledown y) \land y \leq (x \bigtriangledown y)$$
 (keep above)

□ For any increasing chain $X_0 \sqsubseteq X_1 \sqsubseteq X_2 \sqsubseteq \dots$ the alternative chain defined as $\hat{X}^0 = X_0$ and $\hat{X}^{k+1} = \hat{X}^k \nabla X_{k+1}$ stabilizes after a finite number of steps.

Consider again the domain of intervals:

$$\langle \wp(\mathbb{Z}); \subseteq \rangle \xleftarrow{\gamma}_{\alpha} \langle Interval; \sqsubseteq \rangle$$

For intervals strictly increasing chains can be infinite:

$$[0,0] \sqsubset [0,1] \sqsubset [0,2] \sqsubset \dots$$

Hence we need a widening operator:

$$\emptyset \bigtriangledown I = I$$
 $I \bigtriangledown \emptyset = I$
 $[a, b] \bigtriangledown [c, d] = [\text{if } c < a \text{ then } -\infty \text{ else } a, \text{ if } d > b \text{ then } +\infty \text{ else } b]$

Proposition. If $T^{\#} : A \to A$ is a monotone function, and $\nabla : A \times A \to A$ is a widening operator then $\hat{X}^0 = \bot, \ldots, \hat{X}^{k+1} = \hat{X}^k \nabla T^{\#}(\hat{X}^k)$ converges with limit \hat{X}^n , $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\operatorname{lfp} T^{\#} \leq \hat{X}^n$.

Note: In a complete lattice, if all strictly increasing chains are finite, we can use $\nabla = \Box$.

We don't actually need to widen in such a situation.

Combining widening/narrowing iteration



Forwards/backwards analysis

All though the transition system definition from week 1 included final states we haven't used them much:

Definition. A transition system is a quadruple $\langle S, I, F, \rightarrow \rangle$, where

- \square S is a set of states
- \Box $I \subseteq S$ is a set of initial states
- $\Box \ F \subseteq S \text{ is a set of final states } (\forall s \in F, s' \in S : s \not\rightarrow s')$
- $\Box \to \subseteq S \times S$ is a transition relation relating a state to its (possible) successors

Forwards collecting semantics (1/2)

Descendants of initial states (aka reachable states):



Forwards collecting semantics (2/2)

The forwards (top-down) collecting semantics can be expressed as a fixed point:

lfp T where
$$T(X) = I \cup \{s \mid \exists s' \in X : s' \to s\}$$

= $I \cup post[\to](X)$

with

$$post[r](X) = \{s \mid \exists s' \in X : \langle s', s \rangle \in r\}$$

Note: here we are using the letter T for the transition function, as F is reserved for final states...

Backwards collecting semantics (1/2)

Ascendants of final states:



Backwards collecting semantics (2/2)

The backwards (bottom-up) collecting semantics can also be expressed as a fixed point:

lfp B where
$$B(X) = F \cup \{s \mid \exists s' \in X : s \to s'\}$$

= $F \cup pre[\to](X)$

with

$$pre[r](X) = \{s \mid \exists s' \in X : \langle s, s' \rangle \in r\}$$

Forwards/backwards collecting semantics (1/2)

Descendants of initial states which are also ascendants of final states:



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Forwards/backwards collecting semantics (2/2)

This set of states can be expressed as the intersection of the two fixed points just defined:

$\operatorname{lfp} T \cap \operatorname{lfp} B$

The above is not computable in general, but the intuition is:

- 1. "run program forwards",
- 2. "run program backwards",
- 3. intersect.

We can express forwards/backward collecting semantics in several ways:

Proposition. Given a transition system $\langle S, I, F, \rightarrow \rangle$ with $X \subseteq S$, we have

1.
$$pre[\rightarrow](X) \cap lfp T \subseteq pre[\rightarrow](X \cap lfp T)$$

2.
$$post[\rightarrow](X) \cap lfp B \subseteq post[\rightarrow](X \cap lfp B)$$

 $\operatorname{lfp} T \cap \operatorname{lfp} B$

- **3.** = lfp(λX . lfp $T \cap B(X)$)
- 4. = lfp(λX . lfp $B \cap T(X)$)
- 5. = lfp(λX . lfp $T \cap$ lfp $B \cap B(X)$)
- **6.** = lfp(λX . lfp $T \cap$ lfp $B \cap T(X)$)

Forwards/backwards analysis

Once we move to an abstract domain, a sequence akin to the alternative characterizations is more precise:

Proposition. If $\langle C; \sqsubseteq, \bot_c, \top_c, \sqcup, \sqcap \rangle$ and $\langle A; \leq, \bot_a, \top_a, \lor, \land \rangle$, are complete lattices, $\langle C; \sqsubseteq \rangle \xleftarrow{\gamma}{\alpha} \langle A; \leq \rangle$, $T, B : C \to C$ are monotone functions satisfying (5) and (6), $T^{\#}, B^{\#} : A \to A$ are monotone functions, such that $\alpha \circ T \circ \gamma \leq T^{\#}$ and $\alpha \circ B \circ \gamma \leq B^{\#}$, then the sequence

$$\Box \dot{X}^{0} = \operatorname{lfp} T^{\#} (\text{or lfp } B^{\#})$$
$$\Box \dot{X}^{2n+1} = \operatorname{lfp}(\lambda X. \dot{X}^{2n} \wedge B^{\#}(X))$$
$$\Box \dot{X}^{2n+2} = \operatorname{lfp}(\lambda X. \dot{X}^{2n+1} \wedge T^{\#}(X))$$

satisfies for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$: $\alpha(\operatorname{lfp} F \cap \operatorname{lfp} B) \leq \dot{X}^{k+1} \leq \dot{X}^k$

Hence, we have an ascending sequence.

We may also need to *narrow* in order to ensure termination of the downward iteration (if descending chains can be infinite):

$$\dot{X}^0 > \dot{X}^1 > \dot{X}^2 > \dots$$

Similarly, we may need to *widen* (and *narrow*) to ensure termination of the fixed point computation in each iterate.

$$\Box \dot{X}^{0} = \operatorname{lfp} \dots$$
$$\Box \dot{X}^{2n+1} = \operatorname{lfp}(\dots)$$
$$\Box \dot{X}^{2n+2} = \operatorname{lfp}(\dots)$$

More fun with the three counter machine

Previously: analysing the 3 counter machine

Var ::= x | y | z Inst ::= inc var | dec var | zero var melse n | stop States = PC x $N_0 x N_0 x N_0$

Transition relation:

<pc, xv,="" yv<br="">_ _</pc,>	, zv>> <pc+1, xv+1,="" yv,="" zv=""> > <pc+1, xv,="" yv+1,="" zv=""> > <pc+1, xv,="" yv,="" zv+1=""></pc+1,></pc+1,></pc+1,>	if P_pc = inc x if P_pc = inc y if P_pc = inc z
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_	> <pc'', xv,="" yv,="" zv=""></pc'',>	if P_pc = zero z pc' else pc'_{50} /\ zv<>0

We left off here:

 $T#(S#) = \emptyset. [1 -> \{ <i, 0, 0> | i in N_0 \}]$

U. U. Ø. $[pc+1 -> \{ <xv+1, yv, zv> \}]$ { <xv, yv, zv> } C S#(pc) P pc = inc x(...and for y and z) IJ. U. Ø. $[pc+1 -> \{ <xv-1, yv, zv> \}]$ { <xv, yv, zv> } C S#(pc) P pc = dec xxv > 0(...and for y and z) U. U. Ø. $[pc' -> \{ < xv, yv, zv > \}]$ { <xv, yv, zv> } C S#(pc) P_pc = zero x pc' else pc'' xv=0(...and for y and z) U. U. Ø. $[pc'' \rightarrow \{ \langle xv, yv, zv \rangle \}]$ { <xv, yv, zv> } C S#(pc) P_pc = zero x pc' else pc'' xv<>0 $(\dots$ and for y and z)

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Call-by-need Galois connections :-) (1/3)

Abstracting a set valued function:

Given a Galois connection between complete lattices, we can lift it pointwise to function spaces (also complete lattices):

$$\frac{\langle \wp(C); \subseteq \rangle \xleftarrow{\gamma} \langle A; \sqsubseteq \rangle}{\langle D \to \wp(C); \dot{\subseteq} \rangle \xleftarrow{\dot{\gamma}} \langle D \to A; \dot{\sqsubseteq} \rangle}$$

where
$$\dot{\alpha}(F) = \lambda d. \alpha(F(d))$$

 $\dot{\gamma}(F^{\#}) = \lambda d. \gamma(F^{\#}(d))$

Call-by-need Galois connections :-) (2/3)

Abstracting a set of triples by a triple of sets:

$$\langle \wp(A \times B \times C); \subseteq \rangle \xleftarrow{\gamma}{\alpha} \langle \wp(A) \times \wp(B) \times \wp(C); \subseteq_{\times} \rangle$$

between complete lattices (the latter being reduced) where

$$\subseteq_{\times} = \subseteq \times \subseteq \times \subseteq$$
$$\alpha(T) = \langle \pi_1(T), \pi_2(T), \pi_3(T) \rangle$$
$$\gamma(\langle X, Y, Z \rangle) = X \times Y \times Z$$

Call-by-need Galois connections :-) (3/3)

Abstracting a triple of sets by an abstract triple:

Given three Galois connections between complete lattices, we can form a new Galois connection (also over complete lattices):

$$\langle \wp(A); \subseteq \rangle \xleftarrow{\gamma_A}_{\alpha_A} \langle A'; \sqsubseteq_a \rangle$$

$$\frac{\langle \wp(B); \subseteq \rangle \xleftarrow{\gamma_B}_{\alpha_B} \langle B'; \sqsubseteq_b \rangle}{\langle \wp(C); \subseteq \rangle} \xleftarrow{\gamma_C}_{\alpha_C} \langle C'; \sqsubseteq_c \rangle$$

$$\frac{\langle \wp(A) \times \wp(B) \times \wp(C); \subseteq_{\times} \rangle \xleftarrow{\gamma}_{\alpha} \langle A' \times B' \times C'; \sqsubseteq_{\times} \rangle }{\langle \wp(A) \times \wp(B) \times \wp(C); \subseteq_{\times} \rangle \xleftarrow{\gamma}_{\alpha} \langle A' \times B' \times C'; \sqsubseteq_{\times} \rangle }$$

where $\begin{aligned} & \subseteq_{\times} = \ \subseteq \times \subseteq \times \subseteq \\ & \sqsubseteq_{\times} = \ \sqsubseteq_{a} \times \sqsubseteq_{b} \times \sqsubseteq_{c} \\ & \alpha(\langle X, Y, Z \rangle) = \langle \alpha_{A}(X), \alpha_{B}(Y), \alpha_{C}(Z) \rangle \\ & \gamma(\langle X', Y', Z' \rangle) = \langle \gamma_{A}(X), \gamma_{B}(Y), \gamma_{C}(Z) \rangle \end{aligned}$

Three counter analysis from 10000 feet¹

The Parity analysis is composed in two. Last week:

 $\wp(PC \times \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0) \leftrightarrows PC \to \wp(\mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0)$

This week:



Hence by transitivity:

 $\wp(PC \times \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0) \leftrightarrows PC \to Par \times Par \times Par$

At home: operators/property transformers

At home you calculated abstract operators:

- =0 : Parity -> Parity
- <>0 : Parity -> Parity
 - +1 : Parity -> Parity
 - -1 : Parity -> Parity

from concrete ones over \mathbb{N}_0 :

Result

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T(S\#) = ( <bot, bot, bot > . [1 -> <top, even, even > ] )
 U.
            U.
                 ( <bot, bot, bot>. [pc+1 -> [x++]#(S#(pc))] )
      pc in Dom(S#)
      P_pc = inc x
            (...and for y and z)
 U.
                      ( <bot, bot, bot>. [pc+1 -> [x--]#(S#(pc))] )
            U.
      pc in Dom(S#)
      P_pc = dec x
            (...and for y and z)
 U.
                ( <bot, bot, bot>. [pc' -> [x==0]#(S#(pc))] )
            U.
      pc in Dom(S#)
                               U. ( <bot, bot, bot>. [pc'' -> [x<>0] #(S#(pc))] )
 P_pc = zero x pc' else pc''
            (...and for y and z)
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Summary

More approximation methods for abstract interpretation (Cousot-Cousot:JLP92):

- Partitioning
- Relational and attribute independent analysis
- □ Inducing, abstracting, approximating fixed points
- □ Widening, narrowing
- □ Forwards/backwards analysis
- + analysis of Plotkin's three counter machine