

# Logical Interpretation

## Static Program Analysis Using Theorem Proving

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# The Problem

Complex Systems: How to

- understand ?
- design ?

Examples:

- living cell, drug action
- software systems
- embedded systems
- cyber physical systems

## The Only Way We Know

Using **formal mathematical models**

Explored and analyzed using  
**Automated Deduction** ?

**Flashback**: Use of deduction technology as **Embedded Logical Engines**  
Resulted in **SMT approaches**

## What We Now Need: Part I

**Evidence:** Embed the technology in tools

- Embedded System Design Tools: **Matlab Simulink/Stateflow**
- Software Development Tools
- Drug Design Tools
- Medical Devices
- ⋮

## What We Now Need: Part II

Next Generation **Automated Deduction** Engine: Requirements–

Attributes	Why	Modern SMT Solvers
speed	embedded use	yes
support for theories	symbols have meaning	yes
interface	embedded use	lacking
<b>beyond satisfiability</b>	need more	no
<b>reduced expressiveness</b>		partly
stochastic reasoning		no

## Evidence

Some case studies:

Application	Formalism	Core Technology	Example
Embedded Sys.	Hybrid Systems	Th. of Reals	Transmission, Powertrain
Systems Bio.	Discrete Sys.	SAT/MaxSAT	Cell Signalling
Medical Devices	Continuous Sys.	Linear Arith.	Insulin Control
Software Verif.	C programs	-----	Benchmarks, Code Fragments

## Outline of the Talk

- Part I. Over-approximating  $\vee$
- Part II. Over-approximating  $\vee$  in a combination of theories
- Part III. Approximating  $\vee, \wedge, \exists, \forall$
- Part IV. Theory Anyone?

## Example

```
1 x := 0; y := 0; z := n;
2 while (*) {
3     if (*) {
4         x := x+1;
5         z := z-1;
6     } else {
7         y := y+1;
8         z := z-1;
9     }
10 }
```



## Traditional Approach: Annotate & Check

```
1 x := 0; y := 0; z := n;
  [ z - x - y == n ]
2 while (*) {
3   if (*) {
4     x := x+1;
5     z := z-1;
      [ z - x - y == n ]
6   } else {
7     y := y+1;
8     z := z-1;
      [ z - x - y == n ]
9   }
10 }
```

## Traditional Approach: Annotate & Check

Proof obligation generated:

$$z - x - y = n \wedge x' = x + 1 \wedge z' = z - 1 \wedge y' = y \quad \stackrel{\mathbb{T}}{\Rightarrow} \quad z' - x' - y' = n$$

$$z - x - y = n \wedge y' = y + 1 \wedge z' = z - 1 \wedge x' = x \quad \stackrel{\mathbb{T}}{\Rightarrow} \quad z' - x' - y' = n$$

The theory  $\mathbb{T}$  determined by semantics of the programming language.

## Example: Abstract Interpretation

```
[ true ]
1 x := 0; y := 0; z := n;
  [  $x = 0 \wedge y = 0 \wedge z = n$  ]
2 while (*) {
3   if (*) {
4     x := x+1;
5     z := z-1; [  $(x = 1 \wedge y = 0 \wedge z = n - 1)$  ]
6   } else {
7     y := y+1;
8     z := z-1; [  $(x = 0 \wedge y = 1 \wedge z = n - 1)$  ]
9   }
  [  $(x = 1 \wedge y = 0 \wedge z = n - 1) \vee (x = 0 \wedge y = 1 \wedge z = n - 1)$  ]
10 }
```

## Example: Abstract Interpretation

$$(x = 1 \wedge y = 0 \wedge z = n - 1) \vee (x = 0 \wedge y = 1 \wedge z = n - 1)$$

Suppose we do not have  $\vee$  in our language

We can only represent **conjunctions of atomic facts**

We need to **overapproximate**

We need to find a **conjunction of atomic formulas** that is implied by both

$x = 1 \wedge y = 0 \wedge z = n - 1$  and  $x = 0 \wedge y = 1 \wedge z = n - 1$

**What is such a fact?**       $x + y = 1 \wedge z = n - 1$

## Example: Abstract Interpretation

```
[ true ]
1 x := 0; y := 0; z := n;
  [ x = 0 ∧ y = 0 ∧ z = n ]
2 while (*) {
    [ (x = 0 ∧ y = 0 ∧ z = n) ∨ (x + y = 1 ∧ z = n - 1) ]
3   if (*) {
4     x := x+1;
5     z := z-1; [ (x = 1 ∧ y = 0 ∧ z = n - 1) ]
6   } else {
7     y := y+1;
8     z := z-1; [ (x = 0 ∧ y = 1 ∧ z = n - 1) ]
9   }
  [ (x + y = 1 ∧ z = n - 1) ]
10 }
```

Hence, we need to over-approximate

$$((x + y = 1 \wedge z = n - 1) \vee x = 0 \wedge y = 0 \wedge z = n)$$

$$(x + y = 1 \wedge z = n - 1) \stackrel{\mathbb{T}}{\Rightarrow} z + x + y = n$$

$$(x = 0 \wedge y = 0 \wedge z = n) \stackrel{\mathbb{T}}{\Rightarrow} z + x + y = n$$

This is exactly the invariant we had annotated by hand.

# Logical Interpretation

Abstract Interpretation over **logical lattices**

Lattices defined by

elements : some **subset** of formulas in  $\mathbb{T}$  closed under  $\wedge$

partial order : some **subset** of  $\overset{\mathbb{T}}{\Rightarrow}$

A common class is **strictly logical lattices**:

elements : **conjunction**  $\phi$  of atomic formulas in  $Th$

partial order :  $\phi \sqsubseteq \phi'$  if  $Th \models \phi \Rightarrow \phi'$

In any logical lattice

**meet**  $\sqcap$   $\mapsto$  (over-approximation of) logical **and**  $\wedge$  ( $\lceil \wedge \rceil$ )

**join**  $\sqcup$   $\mapsto$  over-approximation of logical **or**  $\lceil \vee \rceil$

**partial order**  $\sqsubseteq$   $\mapsto$  under-approximation of logical **implies**  $\lfloor \Rightarrow \rfloor$

**projection**  $\mapsto$  over-approximation of logical **exists**  $\lceil \exists \rceil$

In strictly logical lattices:

**meet**  $\sqcap$   $\mapsto$   $\wedge$

**join**  $\sqcup$   $\mapsto$   $\phi_1 \lceil \vee \rceil \phi_2$  is the strongest  $\phi \in \Phi$  s.t.  $\phi_i \stackrel{\mathbb{T}}{\Rightarrow} \phi$  for  $i = 1, 2$

**partial order**  $\sqsubseteq$   $\mapsto$   $\stackrel{\mathbb{T}}{\Rightarrow}$

**projection**  $\mapsto$   $\lceil \exists \rceil U.\phi$  is the strongest  $\phi' \in \Phi$  s.t.  $(\exists U.\phi) \stackrel{\mathbb{T}}{\Rightarrow} \phi'$

**Challenge:** For what domains can we efficiently compute these operations?



## Over-Approximation of $\vee$ : Examples

- **Linear arithmetic with equality** (Karr 1976)

Eg.  $\{x = 0, y = 1\} \vee \{x = 1, y = 0\} = \{(x + y = 1)\}$

- **Linear arithmetic with inequalities** (Cousot and Halbwachs 1978)

Eg.  $\{x = 0\} \vee \{x = 1\} = \{0 \leq x, x \leq 1\}$

- **Nonlinear equations** (polynomials) (Rodriguez-Carbonell and Kapur 2004)

Eg.  $\{x = 0\} \vee \{x = 1\} = \{x(x - 1) = 0\}$

- **Term Algebra** (Gulwani, T. and Necula 2004)

Eg.  $\{x = a, y = f(a)\} \vee \{x = b, y = f(b)\} = \{y = f(x)\}$

## UFS does not define a logical lattice

The join of two finite sets of facts need not be finitely presented. [Gulwani, T. and Necula 2004]

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_1 &\equiv \{a = b\} \\ \phi_2 &\equiv \{fa = a, fb = b, ga = gb\} \\ \phi_1 \sqcup \phi_2 &\equiv \bigwedge_i gf^i a = gf^i b\end{aligned}$$

The formula  $\bigwedge_i gf^i a = gf^i b$  can not be represented by finite set of ground equations.

*Proof.* It induces infinitely many congruence classes with more than one signature.

## **Part II. Over-Approximation in Union of Theories**

# Combining Logical Interpreters: Motivation

```
x :=0; y := 0;  
u := 0; v := 0;  
while (*) {  
  x := u + 1;  
  y := 1 + v;  
  u := F(x);  
  v := F(y);  
}  
assert( x = y )
```

$$\Sigma = \Sigma_{LA} \cup \Sigma_{UFS}$$

$$Th = Th_{LA} + Th_{UFS}$$

```
x := c; y := c;  
u := c; v := c;  
while (*) {  
  x := G(u, 1);  
  y := G(1, v);  
  u := F(x);  
  v := F(y);  
}  
assert( x = y )
```

$$\Sigma = \Sigma_{UFS}$$

$$Th = Th_{UFS}$$

```
x :=0; y := 0;  
u := 0; v := 0;  
while (*) {  
  x := u + 1;  
  y := 1 + v;  
  u := *;  
  v := *;  
}  
assert( x = y )
```

$$\Sigma = \Sigma_{LA}$$

$$Th = Th_{LA}$$

# Combining Logical Interpreters

Combining abstract interpreters is not easy [Cousot76]

For combining logical interpreters (over strictly logical lattices), we need to **combine**:

- $\lceil \vee \rceil$
- $\lceil \exists \rceil$
- $\mathbb{T} \Rightarrow$

**Bad Example:**

$$\begin{aligned} & (x = 0 \wedge y = 1) \sqcup (x = 1 \wedge y = 0) \\ & = x + y = 1 \wedge C[x] + C[y] = C[0] + C[1] \end{aligned}$$

# Logical Product

Given two logical lattices, we define the **logical product** as:

elements : conjunction  $\phi$  of atomic formulas in  $Th_1 \cup Th_2$

$E \sqsubseteq E'$  :  $E \Rightarrow_{Th_1 \cup Th_2} E'$  and  $AlienTerms(E') \subseteq Terms(E)$

$AlienTerms(E)$  = subterms in  $E$  that belong to different theory

$Terms(E)$  = all subterms in  $E$ , plus all terms equivalent to these subterms (in  $Th_1 \cup Th_2 \cup E$ )

Eg.  $\{x = F(a + 1), y = a\} \sqcup \{x = F(b + 1), y = b\} = \{x = F(y + 1)\} \because$

$$x = F(a + 1) \wedge y = a \Rightarrow x = F(y + 1)$$

$$x = F(b + 1) \wedge y = b \Rightarrow x = F(y + 1)$$

$$x = F(\underline{a + 1}) \wedge y = a \Rightarrow y + 1 = \underline{a + 1}$$

$$x = F(\underline{b + 1}) \wedge y = b \Rightarrow y + 1 = \underline{b + 1}$$

# Combining the Preorder Test

Combining satisfiability procedures

**Nelson-Oppen** combination method

## Combining Join Operator

Given procedures:

$\lceil \vee \rceil_{L_1}(E_l, E_r)$  : Computes  $E_l \lceil \vee \rceil E_r$  in lattice  $L_1$

$\lceil \vee \rceil_{L_2}(E_l, E_r)$  : Computes  $E_l \lceil \vee \rceil E_r$  in lattice  $L_2$

We wish to compute  $E_l \lceil \vee \rceil E_r$  in the logical product  $L_1 * L_2$

Example.

$$\{z = a + 1, y = f(a)\} \lceil \vee \rceil \{z = b - 1, y = f(b)\} = \{y = f(1 + z)\}$$



# Combining Join Operators

$$z = a - 1, y = f(a)$$

$$z = b - 1, y = f(b)$$

Purify+NOSat

$$z = a - 1 \quad y = f(a)$$

$$z = b - 1 \quad y = f(b)$$

LR-Exchange

$$a = \langle a, b \rangle \quad a = \langle a, b \rangle$$

$$b = \langle a, b \rangle \quad b = \langle a, b \rangle$$

Base Joins

$$Join_{LA}$$

$$Join_{UF}$$

$$\langle a, b \rangle = 1 + z$$

$$y = f(\langle a, b \rangle)$$

Quant Elim

$$QE_{UF*LA}$$

Return

$$y = f(1 + z)$$

# Existential Quantification Operator

Required to compute **transfer function** for **assignments**

$E = \lceil \exists \rceil_L(E', V)$  if  $E$  is the least element in lattice  $L$  s.t.

- $E' \sqsubseteq_L E$
- $Vars(E) \cap V = \emptyset$

Examples:

- $\lceil \exists \rceil_{LA} a : (x < a \wedge a < y) = (x \leq y)$
- $\lceil \exists \rceil_{UF} a : (x = f(a) \wedge y = f(f(a))) = (y = f(x))$
- $\lceil \exists \rceil_{LA*UF} a, b, c : (a < b < y \wedge z = c + 1 \wedge a = ffb \wedge c = fb) = (f(z - 1) \leq y)$

How to construct  $\lceil \exists \rceil_{LA*UF}$  using  $\lceil \exists \rceil_{LA}$  and  $\lceil \exists \rceil_{UF}$ ?

# Combining QE Operators

Problem

$$a < b < y, z = c + 1, a = ffb, c = fb$$

$$\{a, b, c\}$$

Purify+NOSat

$$a < b < y, z = c + 1$$

$$a = ffb, c = fb$$

QSat

→

$$c \mapsto z - 1$$

QSat

$$a \mapsto fc$$

←

Base QEs

$$QE_{LA}$$

$$QE_{UF}$$

$$a \leq y, z = c + 1$$

$$a = fc$$

Substitute

$$c \mapsto z - 1, a \mapsto fc$$

Return

$$f(z - 1) \leq y$$

## Part III. Approximating $\vee, \wedge, \exists, \forall$

## Quantified Abstract Domain

```
array-init( $A, n$ )  
1  for ( $i = 0; i < n; i++$ ) {  
2       $A[i] = 0$   
3  }  
   [  $\forall k(0 \leq k < n \Rightarrow A[k] = 0)$  ]
```

## Array Initialization

```
array-init( $A, n$ )  
1  for ( $i = 0; i < n; i++$ ) {  
     $(i = 1 \wedge A[0] = 0) \vee (i = 2 \wedge A[0] = 0 \wedge A[1] = 0)$   
2     $A[i] = 0$   
3 }
```

Let us write it out as a quantified fact.

## Array Initialization

```
array-init( $A, n$ )  
1  for ( $i = 0; i < n; i++$ ) {  
    ( $i = 1 \wedge \forall k(k = 0 \Rightarrow A[k] = 0)$ )  $\vee$   
    ( $i = 2 \wedge \forall k(k = 0 \Rightarrow A[k] = 0) \wedge \forall k(k = 1 \Rightarrow A[k] = 0)$ )  
2     $A[i] = 0$   
3  }
```

Too many quantified facts...let us merge them into one.

$$i = 2 \wedge \forall k(\text{----} \Rightarrow A[k] = 0)$$

---- should be  $k = 0 \vee k = 1$  :

$$0 \leq k \leq 1 \Rightarrow (k = 0 \vee k = 1)$$

## Array Initialization

```
array-init( $A, n$ )  
1  for ( $i = 0; i < n; i++$ ) {  
     $i = 1 \wedge \forall k(k = 0 \Rightarrow A[k] = 0) \vee$   
     $i = 2 \wedge \forall k(0 \leq k < 2 \Rightarrow A[k] = 0)$   
2     $A[i] = 0$   
3 }
```

Now we need to **join** two quantified facts.



## Array Initialization

$i = 1$

$\forall k (k = 0 \Rightarrow A[k] = 0)$

$\lceil \forall \rceil$

$i = 2$

$\forall k (0 \leq k < 2 \Rightarrow A[k] = 0)$

$1 \leq i \leq 2$

$\forall k (\text{----} \Rightarrow A[k] = 0)$

Obviously, ---- should be  $k = 0 \wedge 0 \leq k < 2$ .

$k = 0$  is no good.

## Array Initialization

$$i = 1$$

$$\forall k(k = 0 \Rightarrow A[k] = 0)$$

[ $\forall$ ]

$$i = 2$$

$$\forall k(0 \leq k < 2 \Rightarrow A[k] = 0)$$

$$1 \leq i \leq 2$$

$$\forall k(\text{---} \Rightarrow A[k] = 0)$$

Hmmm, --- should be

$$i = 1 \Rightarrow k = 0 \wedge i = 2 \Rightarrow 0 \leq k < 2$$

Let us see if the answer satisfies this.

$$0 \leq k < i \Rightarrow (i = 1 \Rightarrow k = 0 \wedge i = 2 \Rightarrow 0 \leq k < 2)$$

## The Quantified Domain

$$E \wedge \bigwedge_i \forall U_i (F_i \Rightarrow e_i)$$

## The Interface

Function	Description
$E_1 \lceil \vee \rceil E_2$	join of $E_1$ and $E_2$
$E_1 \lceil \wedge \rceil E_2$	meet of $E_1$ and $E_2$
$\lceil \exists \rceil x.E$	eliminate $x$ from $E$
$E_1 \lceil \Rightarrow \rceil E_2$	partial order test comparing $E_1$ and $E_2$
$(E_1 \lceil \vee \rceil E_2) / E$	under-approximate $E \Rightarrow (E_1 \vee E_2)$
$(E_1 \Rightarrow E'_1) \lceil \wedge \rceil (E_2 \Rightarrow E'_2)$	underapprox. $(E_1 \Rightarrow E'_1) \wedge (E_2 \Rightarrow E'_2)$
$\lceil \forall \rceil x.(E \Rightarrow E')$	underapproximate $\forall x(E \Rightarrow E')$

## How are Under-Approximations Computed?

Under-approximation operators == Abduction

Given environment  $E$  and observation  $F$ , generate an explanation  $F'$  such that

$$E \wedge F' \Rightarrow F \quad \text{abduction}$$

$$F' \Rightarrow (E \Rightarrow F) \quad \text{underapproximation}$$

We start with over-approximations and then refine them using abduction.

# Magic

$$i = 1$$

$$\forall k(k = 0 \Rightarrow A[k] = 0)$$

$\lceil \vee \rceil$

$$i = 2$$

$$\forall k(0 \leq k < 2 \Rightarrow A[k] = 0)$$

$$1 \leq i \leq 2$$

$$\forall k(\text{----} \Rightarrow A[k] = 0)$$

Hmmm, ---- should be

$$i = 1 \Rightarrow k = 0 \lceil \wedge \rceil i = 2 \Rightarrow 0 \leq k < 2$$

Compute

$$i = 1 \wedge k = 0 \lceil \vee \rceil i = 2 \wedge 0 \leq k < 2$$

Join on linear arithmetic returns

$$1 \leq i \leq 2 \wedge 0 \leq k < i$$

## **Part IV. Theory Anyone?**

## Part I. Invariant Checking

**Program:** A directed graph whose edges are labelled with:

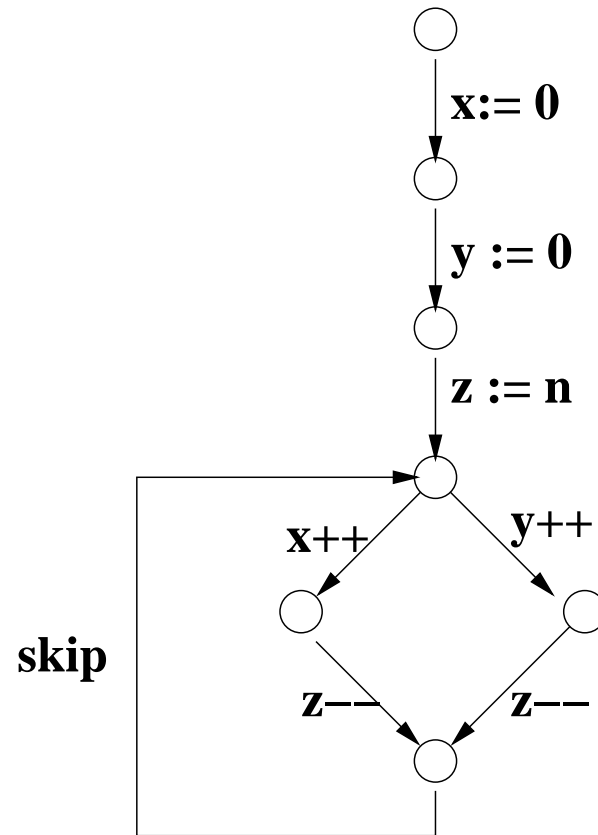
- $x := e$
- $x := ?$
- skip



## Example

Given the following program and assertion  $z - x - y = n$  at the end, check if assertion is an **invariant** of the program.

```
1 x := 0; y := 0; z := n;
2 while (*) {
3   if (*) {
4     x := x+1;
5     z := z-1;
6   } else {
7     y := y+1;
8     z := z-1;
9   }
10 }
    assert(z - x - y = n)
```



# Invariant Checking via Backward Propagation

```

    [ n - 0 - 0 = n ]
1  x := 0; y := 0; z := n;
    [ z - x - y = n ]
2  while (*) {
        [ z - x - y = n ]
3      if (*) {
4          x := x+1;
5          z := z-1;
        [ z - x - y = n ]
6      } else {
7          y := y+1;
8          z := z-1;
        [ z - x - y = n ]
9      }
    [ z - x - y = n ]
10 }

```

## Simple Programs using Linear Arithmetic

Program  $P$  : Simple program using expression language of linear arith.

Assertion : linear arithmetic equality

In this case,

- At each point, we have a conjunction of linear equations
- Such a conjunct can have at most  $n$  non-redundant equations
- Therefore fixpoint converges in at most  $n$  iterations

Linear arithmetic equality invariant checking on simple programs is in PTIME

# Invariant Checking for Unitary Theories

$e_1 = e_2$  is an **invariant** at point  $\pi$  if every program path to  $\pi$  gives an interpretation  $\sigma$  (for program variables) s.t.  $\sigma \models e_1 = e_2$

Let  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots$  be all the interpretations reachable at  $\pi$

Let  $\sigma$  be  $mgu_{\mathbb{T}}(e_1, e_2)$ . For all  $i$ ,

$$e_1\sigma_i =_{\mathbb{T}} e_2\sigma_i$$

Implies  $\sigma$  is more general than  $\sigma_i$

Implies  $\sigma\sigma_i =_{\mathbb{T}} \sigma_i$

Implies  $x\sigma\sigma_i =_{\mathbb{T}} x\sigma_i$  for all  $x$

Implies  $x\sigma = x$  is an invariant

If  $e_1 = e_2$  is an invariant, then  $mgu_{\mathbb{T}}(e_1, e_2)$  is an invariant in the **simple** program model

# Invariant Checking for Unitary Theories

Program  $P$  : Expression language of a unitary theory

Assertion :  $e_1 = e_2$ , where  $e_i$  are terms in the unitary theory

In this case,

- At each point, we have a conjunction of equations
- Such a conjunct can have at most  $n$  non-redundant equations (use unification)
- Therefore fixpoint converges in at most  $n$  iterations

**Invariant checking of equalities on simple programs over unitary theories is in PTIME**

## Example: A Simple Program over UFS

```
[  $c = c$  ]  
1  $u := c; v := c;$   
[  $u = v$  ]  
2 while (*) {  
    [  $F(u) = F(v)$  ] which is the same as [  $u = v$  ]  
3    $u := F(u);$   
4    $v := F(v);$   
    [  $u = v$  ]  
5 }
```

Note that  $u = v$  is an invariant since all the following interpretations are models of it:

$\langle u \mapsto c, v \mapsto c \rangle, \langle u \mapsto Fc, v \mapsto Fc \rangle, \langle u \mapsto FFc, v \mapsto FFc \rangle, \dots$

## Disequality Invariant Checking is Undecidable

SolvePCP( $(u_1, v_1), \dots, (u_k, v_k)$ ):

```
1  $x := u_1(\epsilon); y := v_1(\epsilon);$   
2 while (*) {  
3   if (*) {  
4      $x := u_2(x); y := v_2(y);$   
5   } elseif (*) {  
6      $x := u_3(x); y := v_3(y);$   
7   } elseif (*) {  
8      $\vdots$   
9   } else {  
10     $x := u_k(x); y := v_k(y);$   
11  }  
12 }
```

[  $x \neq y$  ]



# Disjunctive Equality Invariant Checking is coNP-hard

Solve3SAT( $\psi$ ):

$c_1 := 0; \dots; c_m := 0; //$  All clauses set to 0

if (\*) {

    All clauses containing  $b_1$  set to 1

} else {

    All clauses containing  $\neg b_1$  set to 1

}

⋮

if (\*) {

    All clauses containing  $b_n$  set to 1

} else {

    All clauses containing  $\neg b_n$  set to 1

}

[  $c_1 = 0 \vee c_2 = 0 \vee \dots \vee c_m = 0$  ] ;

Invariant holds iff **at least one clause is not satisfied for each assignment**

## Equality Invariant Checking over UFS+LA

Recall the unification connection: For a simple program  $P$  over UFS+LA

$F(a) + F(b) = F(x) + F(a + b - x)$  is an invariant of  $P$  iff

$x = a \vee x = b$  is an invariant of  $P$

Recursively using the same idea, we can write **one equation**  $e_1 = e_2$  s.t.

$e_1 = e_2$  is an invariant of  $P$  iff

$0 = c_1 \vee 0 = c_2 \vee \dots \vee 0 = c_m$  is an invariant of  $P$

But checking this disjunctive assertion is coNP-hard

This proof generalizes to theories that can encode disjunction such as

$x = a \vee x = b$

## Simple Programs over UFS+LA

Equality assertion checking is coNP-hard

We can show that it is decidable

The reason is that this theory is finitary

Hence backward propagation + unification can be shown to terminate

The argument generalizes to all convex and finitary theories

The result also generalizes richer program models that include assume disequality nodes

## Richer Program Models

Additional edge labels:

- Assume( $e_1 \neq e_2$ )
- Assume( $e_1 = e_2$ )
- Call(P)

If we include conditionals, then even for simple programs using simple expression language (either UFS or LA), invariant checking is undecidable

## Summary of Results

Unification type of theory of program expressions	Complexity of assertion checking	Examples
Strict Unitary	P <sub>TIME</sub>	$\ell a, uf$
Bitary	coNP-hard	$\ell a+uf, c$
Finitary-Convex	Decidable	$\ell a+uf+c+ac$

Figure 1: Results for simple programs. Row 4 holds even for disequality guards.

## Summary

- **Logical lattices** are good candidates for **thinking** about and **building** abstract interpreters
- Logical lattices can be combined in a **new** and **important** way

### Logical Products:

- **Logical product** is more **powerful** than **direct** or **reduced** product
- Operations on logical lattices can be **modularly** combined to yield operations for **logical products**
- Using ideas from the classical **Nelson-Oppen combination method**

## Summary

- The **assertion checking** problem:
  - **Equations** in an assertion can be replaced by its **complete set of  $Th$ -unifiers** for purposes of **assertion checking**
  - Assertion checking over “lattices” defined by **combination** of two logical lattices can be **hard**, even when it is in PTime for the lattices defined by **individual theories**
  - Finitary  $Th$ -unification algorithm implies decidability of assertion checking for the logical lattices defined by  $Th$



## Summary

- Base Abstract Domain  $\mapsto$  Quantified Abstract Domain
- Require a **rich** interface from the base domain
- Ability to compute over- and under-approximations of various logical operators

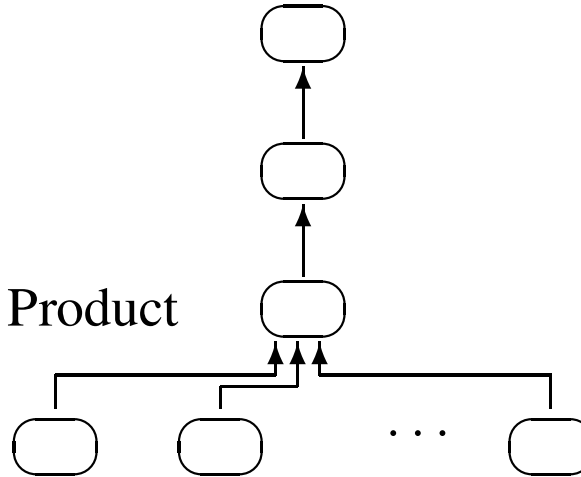
## Big Picture

**Applications:** Memory Safety

**Quantified Abstract Domain**

**Combination Domain:** Logical Product

**Base Domains** with rich API



# Philosophy

Next Generation **Automated Deduction** Engine: Requirements–

Attributes	Why	Modern SMT Solvers
speed	embedded use	yes
support for theories	symbols have meaning	yes
interface	embedded use	lacking
beyond satisfiability	need more	lacking
reduced expressiveness		partly