

Decidability of Entailments in Separation Logic with Arrays

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Introduction

Separation Logic

- Proposed by J.C.Reynolds in 2002
- Each formula states some state of memory
- Useful for verifying pointer-programs (like C)

On-going our project

- Separation-Logic-Based analyzer for C
- Fully automated system
- Checking memory errors (buffer-overflow, memory-leak)
- One of our main problem:
decision procedure for entailment problem in SL
- Our current target system : separation logic with arrays

Syntax of SL_{ARRAY}

Terms

$$t, u, n, m ::= x \mid 0 \mid 1 \mid \dots \mid t + t \mid t - t$$

Pure expressions

$$\Pi ::= t = t \mid t \neq t \mid t < t \mid \Pi \wedge \Pi$$

Spatial expressions

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma ::= & \textit{emp} && (\text{Empty heap}) \\& \mid t \mapsto (t, \dots, t) && (\text{Points-to predicate}) \\& \mid \textcolor{red}{\textit{Array}(t, m)} && (\text{Array predicate}) \\& \mid \Sigma * \Sigma && (\text{Separating conjunction})\end{aligned}$$

Symbolic Heaps

$$\Pi \wedge \Sigma$$

Heap model

Stores $s : \text{Vars} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$

Heaps $h : \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\} \longrightarrow_{fin} \mathbb{N}^n$ (n is the number of $t \mapsto (t_1, \dots, t_n)$)

Heap model (s, h)

A heap model means a state of memory

For example, assume that

- $s(x) = 5$
- $\text{Dom}(h) = \{100, 101\}$,
- $h(100) = (10, 20)$, $h(101) = (11, 15)$

This heap model (s, h) means the following memory state

		100	101		
		(10,20)	(11,15)		

The value of x is 5

Semantics of SL_{ARRAY}

$s \models \Pi$ and $s, h \models \Sigma$ are defined as follows

$s \models t = u$	$\overset{\text{def}}{\iff}$	$s(t) = s(u)$
$s \models t \neq u$	$\overset{\text{def}}{\iff}$	$s(t) \neq s(u)$
$s \models t < u$	$\overset{\text{def}}{\iff}$	$s(t) < s(u)$
$s \models \Pi_1 \wedge \Pi_2$	$\overset{\text{def}}{\iff}$	$s \models \Pi_1$ and $s \models \Pi_2$
$s, h \models \text{emp}$	$\overset{\text{def}}{\iff}$	$\text{Dom}(h) = \emptyset$
$s, h \models t \mapsto (\vec{u})$	$\overset{\text{def}}{\iff}$	$h(s(t)) = (s(\vec{u}))$ and $\text{Dom}(h) = \{s(t)\}$
$s, h \models \Sigma_1 * \Sigma_2$	$\overset{\text{def}}{\iff}$	$s, h_1 \models \Sigma_1$ and $s, h_2 \models \Sigma_2$ for some $h = h_1 + h_2$
$s, h \models \text{Array}(t, m)$	$\overset{\text{def}}{\iff}$	$\text{Dom}(h) = \{s(t), \dots, s(t+m)\}$

Intuitively, $\text{Array}(t, m)$ means there is an array starting from t of length $m+1$

$$s, h \models \Pi \wedge \Sigma \quad \overset{\text{def}}{\iff} \quad s \models \Pi \text{ and } s, h \models \Sigma$$

Entailments and main result

Entailments of **SL_{ARRAY}**:

$$\Pi_1 \wedge \Sigma_1 \vdash \bigvee_i (\Pi_i \wedge \Sigma_i)$$

The above entailment is said to be **valid** if

$$s, h \models \Pi_1 \wedge \Sigma_1 \quad \text{implies} \quad s, h \models \Pi_i \wedge \Sigma_i \text{ for some } i$$

holds for any (s, h)

Our main result

Validity of entailments of **SL_{ARRAY}** is decidable

Basic Idea

Approach

Translating entailments into Presburger formulas

Idea: Sorted separating conjunction \circledast

$$s, h \models \Sigma_1 \circledast \Sigma_2 \quad \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \quad \begin{aligned} & s, h_1 \models \Sigma_1 \text{ and } s, h_2 \models \Sigma_2 \\ & \text{and } h = h_1 + h_2 \\ & \text{and } \max \text{Dom}(h_1) < \min \text{Dom}(h_2) \\ & \text{for some } h_1, h_2 \end{aligned}$$

For example,

- $1 \mapsto (x) \circledast 2 \mapsto (y) \vdash 1 \mapsto (x) \circledast 2 \mapsto (y)$ is valid
- $1 \mapsto (x) \circledast 2 \mapsto (y) \vdash 2 \mapsto (y) \circledast 1 \mapsto (x)$ is invalid

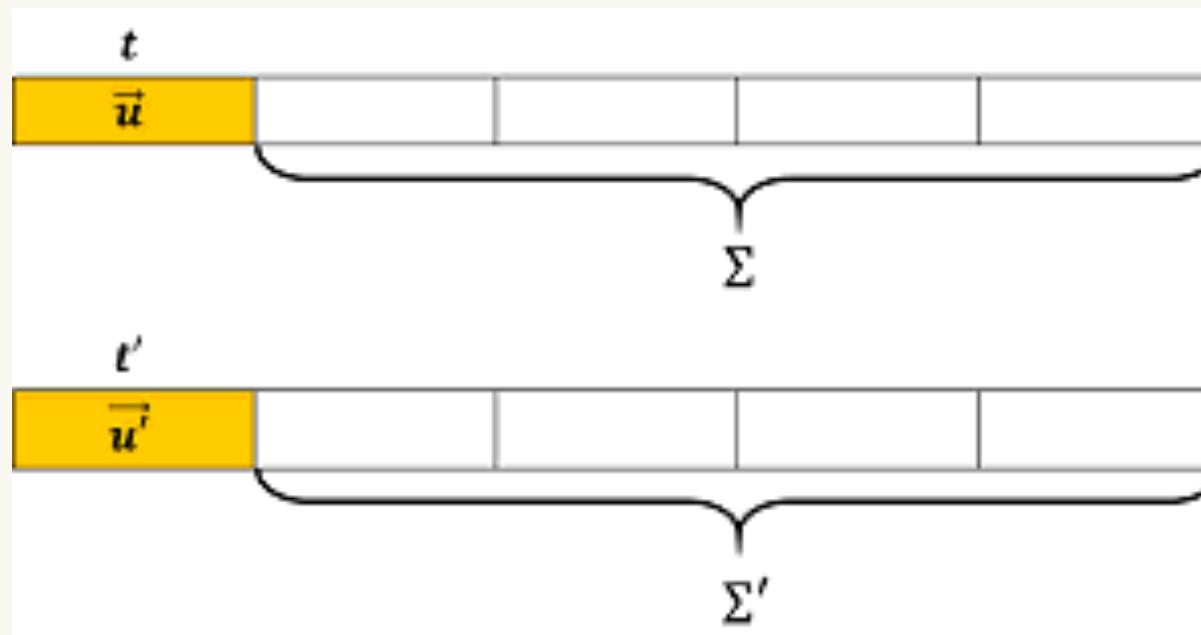
Idea of translation

Observation1 ($\mapsto \mapsto$ case)

$$\Pi \wedge t \mapsto (\vec{u}) \otimes \Sigma \models \Pi' \wedge t' \mapsto (\vec{u}') \otimes \Sigma'$$

$$\iff \Pi \wedge t < \Sigma \wedge \Sigma \models \Pi' \wedge t = t' \wedge \vec{u} = \vec{u}' \wedge \Sigma'$$

where $t < \Sigma$ means that t is less than the first address of Σ



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$$\begin{aligned} \Pi \wedge \textcolor{red}{t} \mapsto (\vec{u}) \otimes \Sigma &\models \Pi' \wedge \textcolor{red}{t'} \mapsto (\vec{u'}) \otimes \Sigma' \\ \iff \Pi \wedge t < \Sigma \wedge \Sigma &\models \Pi' \wedge t = t' \wedge \vec{u} = \vec{u'} \wedge \Sigma' \end{aligned}$$

Example

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \mapsto (x) \otimes 2 \mapsto (y) &\models 1 \mapsto (x) \otimes 2 \mapsto (y) \\ \iff 1 < 2 \wedge 2 \mapsto (y) &\models 1 = 1 \wedge x = x \wedge 2 \mapsto (y) \\ \iff 1 < 2 &\models 1 = 1 \wedge x = x \wedge 2 = 2 \wedge y = y \\ \iff \models_{PbA} 1 < 2 &\implies (1 = 1 \wedge x = x \wedge 2 = 2 \wedge y = y) \end{aligned}$$

Idea of translation

Observation2 (\mapsto Array case)

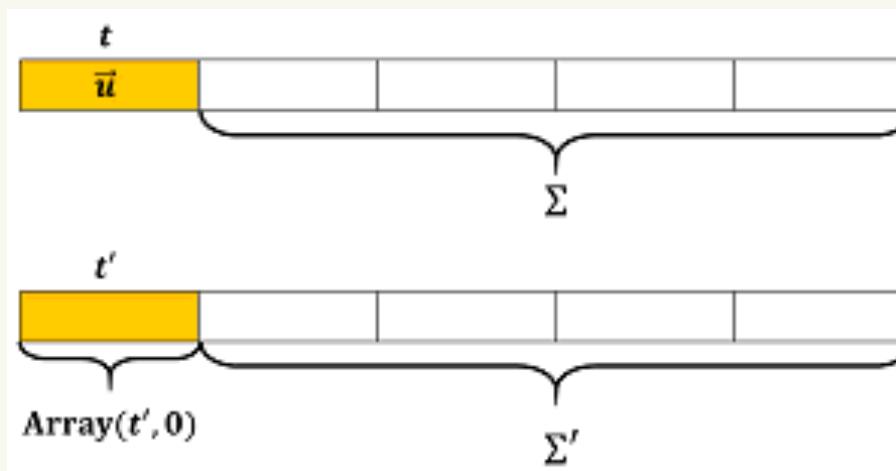
$$\Pi \wedge t \mapsto (\vec{u}) \otimes \Sigma \models \Pi' \wedge \text{Array}(t', m') \otimes \Sigma'$$

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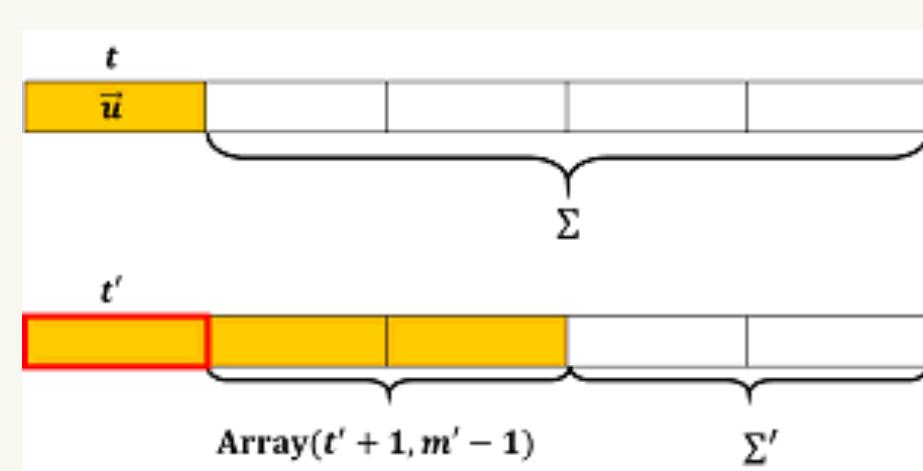
$$\Pi \wedge m' = 0 \wedge t \mapsto (\vec{u}) \otimes \Sigma \models \Pi' \wedge t = t' \wedge t' \mapsto (\vec{u}) \otimes \Sigma'$$

and

$$\Pi \wedge m' > 0 \wedge t \mapsto (\vec{u}) \otimes \Sigma \models \Pi' \wedge t = t' \wedge t' \mapsto (\vec{u}) \otimes \text{Array}(t' + 1, m' - 1) \otimes \Sigma'$$



Upper case ($m' = 0$)



Lower case ($m' > 0$)

Idea of translation

Observation3 (Array \mapsto case)

$$\Pi \wedge \text{Array}(t, m) \otimes \Sigma \models \Pi' \wedge t' \mapsto (\vec{u'}) \otimes \Sigma'$$

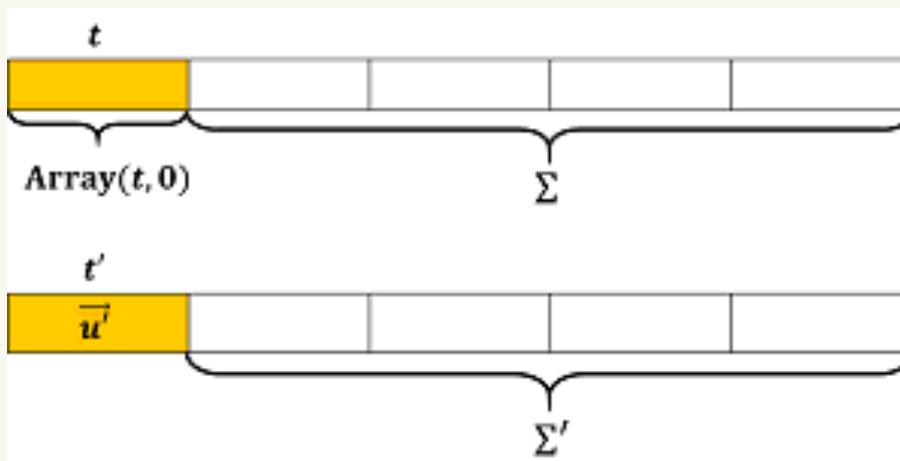
\iff

$$\Pi \wedge \textcolor{blue}{m = 0} \wedge t \mapsto (\vec{z}) \otimes \Sigma \models \Pi' \wedge t = t' \wedge t' \mapsto (\vec{u'}) \otimes \Sigma'$$

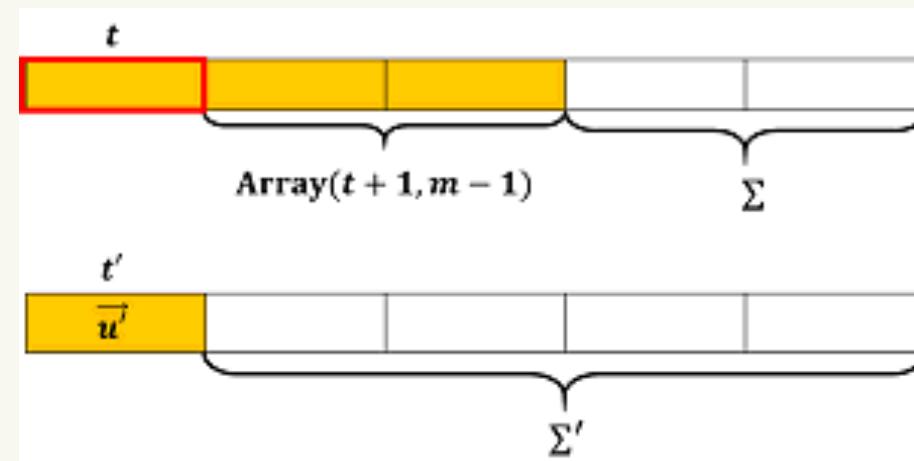
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\vec{z}, \vec{z}' : fresh



Upper case ($m = 0$)



Lower case ($m > 0$)

Idea of translation

Observation4 (ArrayArray case)

$$\Pi \wedge \text{Array}(t, m) \otimes \Sigma \models \Pi' \wedge \text{Array}(t', m') \otimes \Sigma'$$

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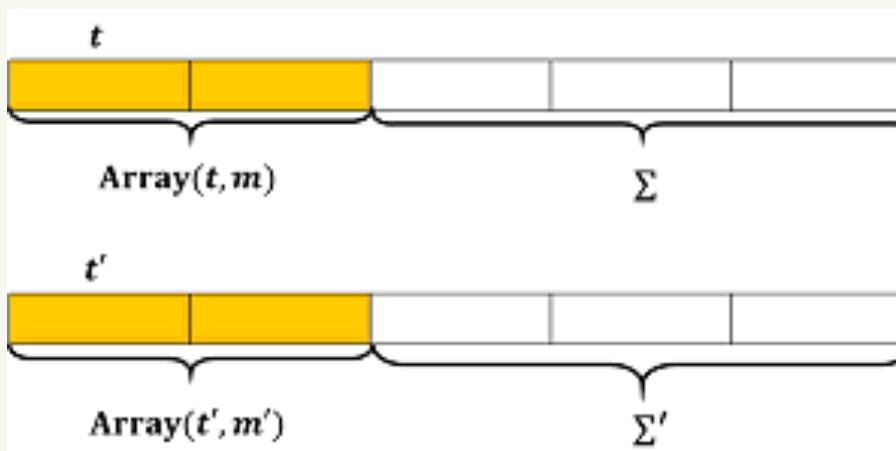
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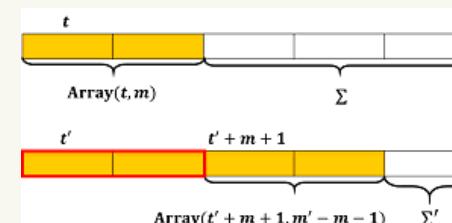
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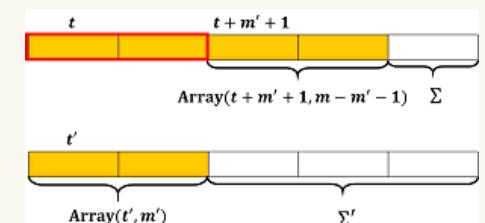
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2nd case ($m < m'$)



3rd case ($m > m'$)

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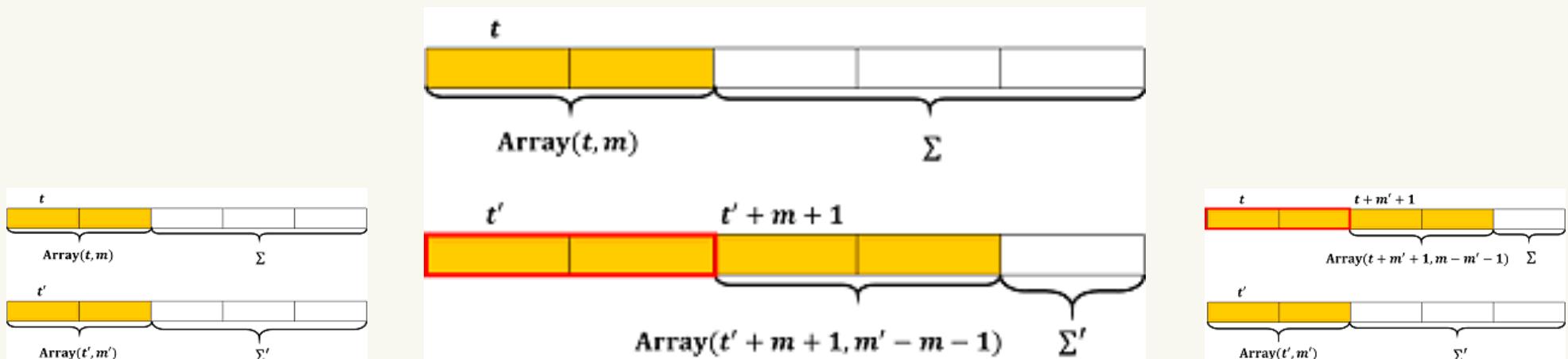
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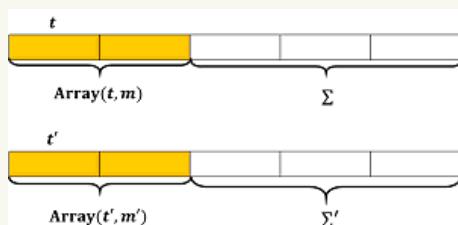
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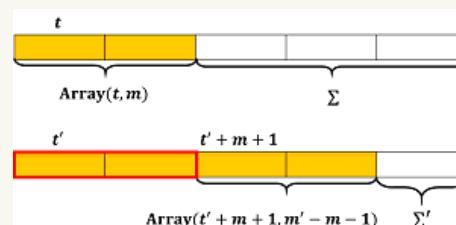
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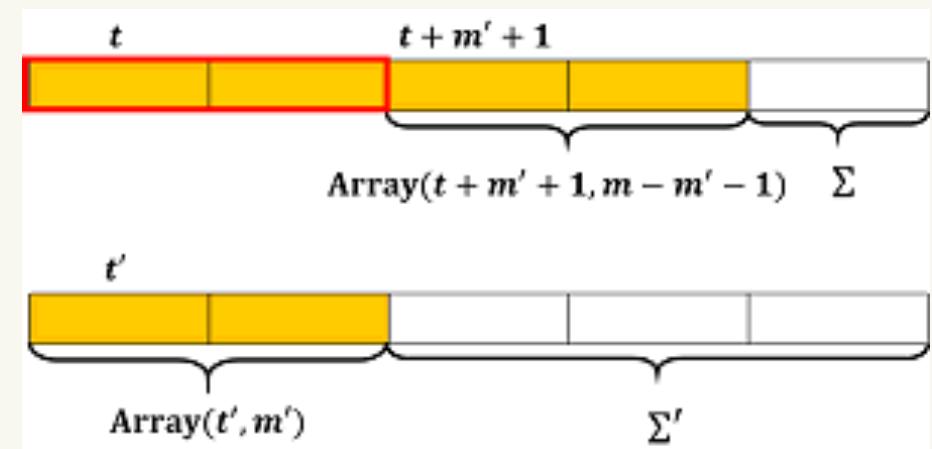
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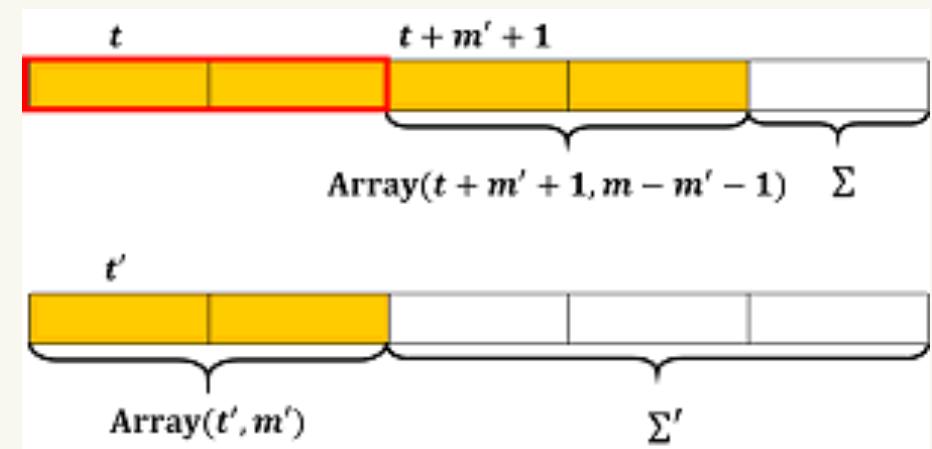
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Translation

Our translation $\text{mkPb}(\Pi, \Sigma ; \{(\Pi_i, \Sigma_i)\}_i)$ is defined by using the observations
 $(\text{mkPb}(\Pi, \Sigma ; \{(\Pi_i, \Sigma_i)\}_i)$ is the result of translation of $\Pi \wedge \Sigma \vdash \bigvee_i (\Pi_i \wedge \Sigma_i)$)

$\text{mkPb}(\Pi, \Sigma ; S_1 \cup \{(\Pi', \text{emp} \otimes \Sigma')\} \cup S_2)$	$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$	$\text{mkPb}(\Pi, \Sigma ; S_1 \cup \{(\Pi', \Sigma')\} \cup S_2)$
$\text{mkPb}(\Pi, \text{emp} \otimes \Sigma ; S)$	$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$	$\text{mkPb}(\Pi, \Sigma ; S)$
$\text{mkPb}(\Pi, \text{emp} ; \{(\Pi_i, \text{emp})\}_i)$	$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$	$\Pi \implies \bigvee_i \Pi_i$
$\text{mkPb}(\Pi, \text{emp} ; S_1 \cup \{(\Pi', \Sigma')\} \cup S_2)$	$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$	$\text{mkPb}(\Pi, \text{emp} ; S_1 \cup S_2)$ $(\Sigma' \text{ is not } \text{emp})$
$\text{mkPb}(\Pi, \text{emp} ; \emptyset)$	$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$	$\neg \Pi$
$\text{mkPb}(\Pi, \Sigma ; \emptyset)$	$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$	$\neg(\Pi \wedge \text{Sorted}(\Sigma))$ $(\Sigma \text{ is not } \text{emp})$

$(\text{Sorted}(\Sigma)$ means that the addresses in Σ is sorted)

Translation (cont.)

($\mapsto \mapsto$ -case)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mkPb}(\Pi, t \mapsto (\vec{u}) \otimes \Sigma; \{(\Pi_i, t_i \mapsto (\vec{u}_i) \otimes \Sigma')\}_i) \\ \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{mkPb}(\Pi \wedge t < \Sigma, \Sigma; \{(\Pi_i \wedge t = t' \wedge \vec{u} = \vec{u}', \Sigma_i)\}_i) \end{aligned}$$

(\mapsto Array-case)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mkPb}(\Pi, t \mapsto (\vec{u}) \otimes \Sigma; S_1 \cup \{(\Pi', \text{Array}(t', m) \otimes \Sigma')\} \cup S_2) \\ \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{mkPb} \left(\begin{array}{l} \Pi \wedge m = 0, t \mapsto (\vec{u}) \otimes \Sigma; \\ S_1 \cup \{(\Pi' \wedge t = t', t' \mapsto (\vec{u}) \otimes \Sigma')\} \cup S_2 \end{array} \right) \\ \wedge \\ \text{mkPb} \left(\begin{array}{l} \Pi \wedge m > 0, t \mapsto (\vec{u}) \otimes \Sigma; \\ S_1 \cup \{(\Pi' \wedge t = t', t' \mapsto (\vec{u}) \otimes \text{Array}(t' + 1, m - 1) \otimes \Sigma')\} \cup S_2 \end{array} \right) \end{aligned}$$

(Array \mapsto -case)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mkPb}(\Pi, \text{Array}(t, m) \otimes \Sigma; S) & \quad (\text{where } (\Pi', t' \mapsto (\vec{u}') \otimes \Sigma') \in S) \\ \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{mkPb}(\Pi \wedge m = 0, t \mapsto (\vec{z}) \otimes \Sigma; S) \\ \wedge \\ \text{mkPb}(\Pi \wedge m > 0, t \mapsto (\vec{z}') \otimes \text{Array}(t + 1, m - 1) \otimes \Sigma; S) & \quad (\vec{z}, \vec{z}' : \text{fresh}) \end{aligned}$$

Translation (cont.)

(ArrayArray-case)

$\text{mkPb}(\Pi, \text{Array}(t, n) \otimes \Sigma ; \{(\Pi_i, \text{Array}(t_i, m_i) \otimes \Sigma')\}_{i \in I})$

$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$

$$\bigwedge_{J \subseteq I} \text{mkPb} \left(\begin{array}{l} \Pi \wedge n = \min(n, \{m_i\}_i) \wedge \bigwedge_{j \in J} n = m_j \wedge \bigwedge_{j \notin J} n < m_j \wedge t + n < \Sigma, \Sigma ; \\ \{(\Pi_i \wedge t = t_i, \Sigma_i)\}_{i \in J} \\ \cup \{(\Pi_i \wedge t = t_i \wedge \text{Array}(t_i + n + 1, m_i - n - 1) \otimes \Sigma_i)\}_{i \notin J} \end{array} \right)$$

\wedge

$$\bigwedge_{\emptyset \neq J \subseteq I} \text{mkPb} \left(\begin{array}{l} \Pi \wedge m' = \min(n, \{m_i\}_i) \wedge m' < n \wedge \bigwedge_{j \in J} m' = m_j \wedge \bigwedge_{j \notin J} m' < m_j \\ \wedge t + n < \Sigma, \text{Array}(t + m' + 1, n - m' - 1) \otimes \Sigma ; \\ \{(\Pi_i \wedge t = t_i, \Sigma_i)\}_{i \in J} \\ \cup \{(\Pi_i \wedge t = t_i \wedge \text{Array}(t_i + m' + 1, m_i - m' - 1) \otimes \Sigma_i)\}_{i \notin J} \end{array} \right) \\ (\text{where } m' \text{ is } m_{\min(J)})$$

- The first clause: n is the least one and $J = \{i \in I \mid n = m_i\}$
- The second clause: $m' (\neq n)$ is the least one and $J = \{i \in I \mid m' = m_i\}$

Decidability of entailment problem

Proposition Suppose that Σ and Σ_i has the form $\sigma_1 \circledast \dots \circledast \sigma_n$

$$\Pi \wedge \Sigma \models \bigvee_i \Pi_i \wedge \Sigma_i \iff \models_{PbA} \forall \vec{x}. \text{mkPb}(\Pi, \Sigma; \{(\Pi_i, \Sigma_i)\}_i)$$

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We have the next theorem by applying the following fact:

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi \wedge \underset{i \in I}{\circledast} \sigma_i &\models \Pi' \wedge \underset{j \in J}{\circledast} \sigma'_j \\ \iff \bigwedge_{p \in perm(I)} \left(\Pi \wedge \underset{i \in I}{\circledast} \sigma_{p(i)} &\models \bigvee_{p' \in perm(J)} (\Pi' \wedge \underset{j \in J}{\circledast} \sigma'_{p'(j)}) \right) \end{aligned}$$

Theorem Entailment problem of $\mathbf{SL}_{\mathbf{ARRAY}}$ is decidable

Implementation

- Prototype implementation of our decision procedure
- About 4000 lines of code written in OCaml
- SMT-solver **Z3 (Microsoft Research)** is internally called for checking presburger formula
- Quick response for “sorted” entailments
- Very slow for “unsorted” entailments (because of permutation)

Possible Improvement (next task)

- Eliminating hopeless conclusions

$1 \mapsto (x) * 2 \mapsto (y) \vdash 3 \mapsto (z) \vee 1 \mapsto (x) * 2 \mapsto (y) \vee 2 \mapsto (y) * 1 \mapsto (x)$
can be reduced to

$1 \mapsto (x) * 2 \mapsto (y) \vdash 3 \mapsto (z) \vee \cancel{1 \mapsto (x) * 2 \mapsto (y)} \vee \cancel{2 \mapsto (y) * 1 \mapsto (x)}$

Related work

Brotherston, Gorogiannis and Kanovich (2016, preprint)

- Symbolic heap SL with arrays
- Decidability of bi-abduction and entailment problems
- Only Array-predicate (no points-to predicate)
- Single-conclusion entailment

facebook INFER (managed by Peter O'Hearn)

- Best-known static analyzer of pointer-programs based on SL
- **Arrays are not supported**

Conclusion and Future work

Conclusion

- Symbolic-heap separation logic with array
- Decision procedure of entailment problem
- Idea
 - Sorted separating conjunction
 - Use decidability of Presburger arithmetic
- Implementation

Future work

- Optimization
- Adding existential quantifier
- Biabduction problem