

Satisfiability Modulo Heap-Based Programs

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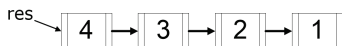
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Verifying Heap-Based Programs

Generating verification conditions for heap-based programs.

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Verification Condition:
Is ERROR() called?

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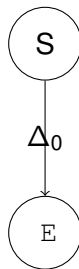
Related works:

- Constrained Horn Clauses based Verification: Bjørner *et. al.* SMT12, Gurfinkel *et. al.* CAV15 (SeaHorn)
- Large-block encoding: Beyer *et. al.* FMCAD09

Verifying Heap-Based Programs

From Verification Problem to Decision Problem.

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$$\Delta_0 \equiv sll(n,x) * test(x,r_1) \wedge n \geq 0 \wedge r_1 = 0$$

VCs are in separation logic with Inductive Predicates and arithmetic.

We need a satisfiability solver

new solver for Separation Logic (SL) with Inductive Predicates

- base fragment with empty heap (emp), points-to (\mapsto), spatial conjunction ($*$) and Presburger Arithmetic

$$\text{SAT} \quad \Delta_1 \equiv \text{emp} \wedge x = \text{null} \wedge n = 0$$

$$\text{UNSAT} \quad \Delta_2 \equiv x \mapsto \text{node}(n, y) * y \mapsto \text{node}(n-1, \text{null}) \wedge x = y$$

This base fragment is decidable (Piskac *et. al.* CAV2013)

Satisfiability Procedure for Inductive Predicates

new solver for Separation Logic with Inductive Predicates

- augmented with inductive predicates

$$\text{pred } sll(i, \text{root}) \equiv \text{emp} \wedge \text{root} = \text{null} \wedge i = 0 \\ \vee \exists r. \text{root} \mapsto \text{node}(i, r) * sll(i-1, r) \wedge i > 0$$

$$sll(n, x) \equiv (x = \text{null} \wedge n = 0) \vee (z \mapsto \text{node}(n, \text{null}) \wedge n = 1) \vee \dots$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{SAT} & \Delta_3 \equiv sll(n, x) \wedge n = 1 \quad \textit{Unfolding} \\ & \Delta_3 \equiv (x = \text{null} \wedge \underline{n=0} \wedge \underline{n=1}) \vee (x \mapsto \text{node}(n, \text{null}) \wedge n > 0 \wedge n = 1) \\ \text{UNSAT} & \Delta_4 \equiv sll(n, t) \wedge n < 0 \quad \textit{Unfolding} \\ & \Delta_4 \equiv (t = \text{null} \wedge \underline{n=0} \wedge \underline{n < 0}) \vee \dots \end{array}$$

Approaches to solving Δ_4

- Over-approximated **Invariant** Inference: $i \geq 0$
- **Induction reasoning**.

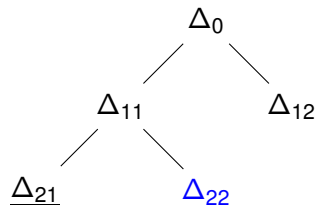
Contributions

Contribution 1: S2SAT - a generic semi-decision procedure for a logic

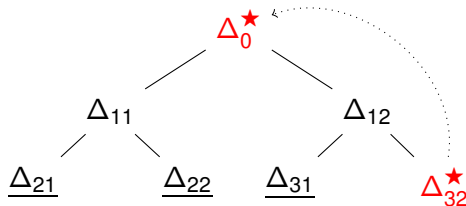
- 1 sound and complete base logic
- 2 augmented with inductive predicates

Given an input Δ_0 , S2SAT

- constructs **unfolding trees** for Δ_0 st. $\Delta_0 \equiv \Delta_{21} \vee \Delta_{22} \vee \dots$
- detects **Cyclic Proof** for induction proving.



SAT



UNSAT

Contribution 2: $S2SAT_{SL}$ - an instantiation of $S2SAT$.

$S2SAT_{SL}$ is a semi-decision procedure for Separation Logic with General Inductive Predicates and Presburger Arithmetic.

S2SAT_{SL}: a solver for SL with Inductive Predicates

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$$\text{emp} \wedge \text{res} = \text{null} \wedge i = 0$$
$$\vee \exists r. \text{res} \mapsto \text{node}(i, r) * sll(i-1, r) \wedge i \neq 0$$
$$\overline{\text{inv}}: i \geq 0;$$
$$\text{pred } test(x, \text{res}) \equiv$$
$$\text{emp} \wedge x = \text{null} \wedge \text{res} = 1$$
$$\vee x \neq \text{null} \wedge x.\text{val} \leq 0 \wedge \text{res} = 0$$
$$\vee test(x.\text{next}, \text{res}) \wedge x \neq \text{null} \wedge x.\text{val} > 0;$$
$$\overline{\text{inv}}: 0 \leq \text{res} \leq 1;$$
$$\Delta_0 \equiv sll(n, x) * test(x, r_1) \wedge n \geq 0 \wedge r_1 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{pred } \mathit{sll}(i, \text{res}) &\equiv \text{emp} \wedge \text{res} = \text{null} \wedge i = 0 \\ &\vee \exists r. \text{res} \mapsto \text{node}(i, r) * \mathit{sll}(i-1, r) \wedge i \neq 0 \quad \overline{\text{inv}}: i \geq 0; \\ \text{pred } \mathit{test}(x, \text{res}) &\equiv \text{emp} \wedge x = \text{null} \wedge \text{res} = 1 \\ &\vee x \neq \text{null} \wedge x.\text{val} \leq 0 \wedge \text{res} = 0 \\ &\vee \mathit{test}(x.\text{next}, \text{res}) \wedge x \neq \text{null} \wedge x.\text{val} > 0 \quad \overline{\text{inv}}: 0 \leq \text{res} \leq 1; \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta_0 \equiv \mathit{sll}(n, x) * \mathit{test}(x, r_1) \wedge n \geq 0 \wedge r_1 = 0$$

① Under-approximation. None

② Over-Approximation.

 Δ_0
 $\pi_0 \equiv n \geq 0 \wedge 0 \leq r_1 \leq 1 \wedge n \geq 0 \wedge r_1 = 0.$ Not

UNSAT

Figure : Unfolding Tree \mathcal{T}_0 .

③ Cyclic Detection. None

S2SAT_{SL}: a solver for SL with Inductive Predicates

pred $sll(i, res) \equiv emp \wedge res = null \wedge i = 0$

$\vee \exists r. res \mapsto node(i, r) * sll(i-1, r) \wedge i \neq 0 \quad \overline{inv}: i \geq 0;$

pred $test(x, res) \equiv \dots \quad \overline{inv}: 0 \leq res \leq 1;$

$\Delta_0 \equiv sll(n, x) * test(x, r_1) \wedge n \geq 0 \wedge r_1 = 0$

$\Delta_{11} \equiv test(x, r_1) \wedge n \geq 0 \wedge r_1 = 0 \wedge x = null \wedge n = 0$

$\Delta_{12} \equiv x \mapsto node(n, x_1) * sll(n-1, x_1) * test(x, r_1) \wedge n \geq 0 \wedge r_1 = 0 \wedge n \neq 0$

1 Under-approximation. None

2 Over-Approximation.

$\pi_{11} \equiv 0 \leq r_1 \leq 1 \wedge n \geq 0 \wedge r_1 = 0 \wedge x = null \wedge n = 0.$

Not UNSAT

$\pi_{12} \equiv x \neq null \wedge n-1 \geq 0 \wedge 0 \leq r_1 \leq 1 \wedge n \geq 0 \wedge$

$r_1 = 0 \wedge n \neq 0.$ Not UNSAT

3 Cyclic Detection. None

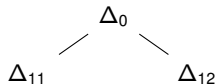


Figure : Unfolding Tree \mathcal{T}_1 .

$\text{pred } \text{test}(x, \text{res}) \equiv \text{emp} \wedge x = \text{null} \wedge \text{res} = 1$
 $\vee x \neq \text{null} \wedge x.\text{val} \leq 0 \wedge x = 0$
 $\vee \text{test}(x.\text{next}, \text{res}) \wedge x \neq \text{null} \wedge x.\text{val} > 0 \quad \overline{\text{inv}}: 0 \leq \text{res} \leq 1;$

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Context-sensitive Unfolding using *branch*
invariant:

- 1 $\text{inv}_{br_1} \equiv x = \text{null} \wedge r_1 = 1$. Contradict with $r_1 = 0$ in Δ_{11} .
- 2 $\text{inv}_{br_2} \equiv x \neq \text{null} \wedge r_1 = 0$
- 3 $\text{inv}_{br_3} \equiv x \neq \text{null} \wedge 0 \leq r_1 \leq 1$

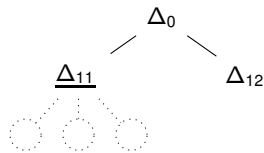


Figure : Unfolding Tree \mathcal{T}_2 .

S2SAT_{SL}: a solver for SL with Inductive Predicates

pred *sll*(*i*,*res*) $\equiv \dots \overline{\text{inv}}: i \geq 0;$

pred *test*(*x*,*res*) $\equiv \dots \overline{\text{inv}}: 0 \leq \text{res} \leq 1;$

$\Delta_0 \equiv \text{sll}(n,x) * \text{test}(x,r_1) \wedge n \geq 0 \wedge r_1 = 0$

$\Delta_{32} \equiv x \mapsto \text{node}(n,x_1) * \text{ll}(n-1,x_1) \wedge x \neq \text{null} \wedge n < 0 \wedge r = 0 \wedge n > 0 \wedge r_1 = 0$

$\Delta_{33} \equiv x \mapsto \text{node}(n,x_1) * \text{sll}(n-1,x_1) * \text{test}(x_1,r_1) \wedge x \neq \text{null} \wedge n > 0 \wedge r_1 = 0$

- 1 Under-approximation. None
- 2 Over-Approximation. Δ_{32} is UNSAT.
 $\pi_{33} \equiv x \neq \text{null} \wedge n - 1 \geq 0 \wedge 0 \leq r_1 \leq 1 \wedge$
 $x \neq \text{null} \wedge n > 0 \wedge r_1 = 0$. Not UNSAT
- 3 Cyclic Detection. Δ_{33} is linked back to Δ_0 .

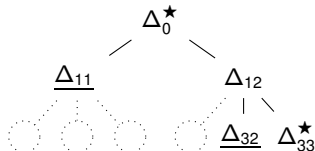


Figure : Unfolding Tree \mathcal{T}_3 .

More in the paper

- 1 A decidable fragment s.t. S2SAT_{SL} always terminates.
- 2 Over-approximated Invariant Inference

Implementation and Evaluation

Implemented solver $S2SAT_{SL}$ and verifier $S2_{td}$ based on HIP/SLEEK (Chin *et. al* SCP12).

- 102 recursive/loop programs taken from SV-COMP2016
- points: +2 for $s\checkmark$, +1 for $e\checkmark$, 0 unk, -16 for sX , and -32 for eX

Tool	# $s\checkmark$	# $e\checkmark$	#unk	# sX	# eX	points	mins
ESBMC	38	40	21	0	3	20	53
UAutomizer	17	23	62	0	0	57	23
SeaHorn	48	45	5	4	0	77	26
CBMC	33	39	29	1	0	89	90
Smack-Corral	33	37	28	0	0	103	105
$S2_{td}$	41	45	16	0	0	127	25

$S2_{td}$ performed well over recursive/loop programs.



More experimental results in the paper

- $S2SAT_{SL}$ vs. SLSAT (Brotherston *et. al.* LiSC2014). $S2SAT_{SL}$ is more effective and efficient than SLSAT.
- $S2SAT_{SL}$ on a set of satisfiability problems over complex data structures. $S2SAT_{SL}$ is expressive.



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- 2 $S2SAT_{SL}$, a semi-decision procedure for Separation Logic with general Inductive Predicates and Presburger Arithmetic.
- 3 Experimental Evaluation for $S2SAT_{SL}$ and $S2_{td}$.

SAT Procedure for Inductive Predicates

Building a new SAT solver for Presburger with Inductive Predicates

- 1 Presburger arithmetic is decidable [1].
- 2 augmented with inductive predicates

$$\begin{aligned} \text{pred } \mathit{add}(n,m,\text{res}) &\equiv \text{res}=m \wedge n=0 \\ &\vee \exists r_1. \mathit{add}(n-1,m,r_1) \wedge n>0 \wedge \text{res}=r_1+1 \\ \overline{\text{inv}}: n \geq 0; \end{aligned}$$

[1] *H. B. Enderton, A Mathematical Introduction to Logic, Second Edition, Academic Press, 2000.*