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Ranking Functions for Loops with Disjunctive Exit-Conditions

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- Decreases in every basic block
- Here: in every loop iteration
- Bounded by zero

• Ranking function for the loop above is 15 - i

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Inference of Polynomial Loop Ranking Functions

O. Shkaravska, R. Kersten, M. van Eekelen. Test-Based Inference of Polynomial Loop-Bound Functions. PPPJ'10: Proceedings of the 8th International Conference on the Principles and Practice of Programming in Java







The basic method considers loops with conditions in the • following form:

$$C := sC \mid C_1 \land C_2$$
$$sC := e_1 [<, >, \le, \ge, =, \neq] e_2$$

- where e_i are arithmetical expressions
- i.e. conjunctions over arithmetical (in)equalities

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Quadratic Example





- The procedure itself is unsound
- Use external prover to verify the inferred ranking functions
- KeY: http://www.key-project.org/
- Ranking function can be expressed in JML as a decreases clause

```
1 //@ decreases i < 15 ? 15 - i : 0;
2 while (i < 15) {
3 i++;
4 }
```

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It's ranking function is non-trivially piecewise:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 20-i & \quad \mbox{if} \ (i>0) \land (i<20) \\ i-50 & \quad \mbox{if} \ i>50 \\ 0 & \quad \mbox{else} \end{array} \right.$$





The extended method considers loops with conditions in the following form:

$$C := sC \mid C_1 \land C_2 \mid C_1 \lor C_2$$
$$sC := e_1 [<,>,\leq,\geq,=,\neq] e_2$$

- where e_i are arithmetical expressions
- i.e. first-order propositional logic expressions over arithmetical (in)equalities



- $i > 0 \land i < 20 \land \neg(i > 50)$
- $i > 50 \land \neg (i > 0 \land i < 20)$
- $i > 0 \land i < 20 \land i > 50$



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• *i* > 50



- *i* > 0 ∧ *i* < 20
- *i* > 50



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 20-\texttt{i} & \text{ if } (\texttt{i}>0) \land (\texttt{i}<20) \\ \texttt{i}-50 & \text{ if } \texttt{i}>50 \\ 0 & \text{ else} \end{array} \right.$$

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1 while
$$((i>0 \&\& i<20) || i>22) \{$$

2 if $(i>22) i--;$
3 else $i+=4;$
4 }

$$\begin{cases} \lceil (20-i)/4 \rceil + 1 & \text{ if } (i > 0) \land (i < 20) \land i \mod 4 = 3\\ \lceil (20-i)/4 \rceil & \text{ if } (i > 0) \land (i < 20) \land i \mod 4 \neq 3\\ i - 22 & \text{ if } i > 22\\ 0 & \text{ else} \end{cases}$$

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Detection of Condition Jumping: Example

1 while ((i>0 && i<20) || i>22) {
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$$next_i(i) = \begin{cases} i-1 & \text{if } i>22 \\ i+4 & \text{if } \neg(i>22) \end{cases}$$

1 (declare-fun i () Int)
2 (define-fun nexti ((x Int)) Int
3 (ite (> x 22) (- x 1) (+ x 4)))
4 (assert (and (and (> i 0) (< i 20))
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Detection of Condition Jumping: Generic

- Symbolically execute the loop body to find a next function for each program variable
- Use SMT-solver to search for a model that satisfies one piece first and another after execution of the loop body



Finding Models for Condition Jumping: Example

Find all nodes that jump from the piece with condition $i > 0 \land i < 20$ into the piece with condition i > 22. Using an SMT-solver:

- Find all nodes that jump directly into the other piece
- Pind all nodes that can jump to {19}, {3,7,11,15} and add them to the list of jumping nodes:
 {3,7,11,15,19} = {i | i mod 4 = 3 ∧ i > 0 ∧ i < 20}



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Finding Models for Condition Jumping: Generic

J is the set of models of which it is known that condition jumping occurs, Q is a queue of models, find all models that jump from b_1 to b_2 :

- **1** Is there a model \bar{v} for which $b_1(\bar{v}) \wedge b_2(next(\bar{v})) \wedge \bar{v} \notin J$?
 - SAT ightarrow Add $ar{m{v}}$ to J and $m{Q}$, goto 1.
 - UNSAT \rightarrow Goto 2.
- Q empty?
 - Yes \rightarrow Done.
 - No \rightarrow Goto 3.
- **6** Pop a model \bar{q} off the queue Q. Is there a model \bar{v} for which $b_1(\bar{v}) \wedge next(\bar{v}) = \bar{q} \wedge \bar{v} \notin J$?
 - SAT \rightarrow Add \bar{v} to J and Q, goto 3.
 - UNSAT \rightarrow Goto 2.



Generating Ranking Functions: Example

- We now know the set {i | i mod 4 = 3 ∧ i > 0 ∧ i < 20} for which jumping occurs
- So, we can split the condition $i > 0 \land i < 20$ into two: $i > 0 \land i < 20 \land i \mod = 3$ and $i > 0 \land i < 20 \land i \mod \neq 3$
- We can then apply the basic method separately to each of these disjunctive pieces



Generating Ranking Functions: Generic

- We now know the set $D_{1,2}$ for which jumping occurs
- So, we can split the condition b₁ into two: b₁(v̄) ∧ v̄ ∈ D_{1,2} and b₁(v̄) ∧ v̄ ∉ D_{1,2}
- We can then apply the basic method to each of these disjunctive pieces



Multi-Jumping

- 1 DNF-split into *n* conditions
- **2** For each *i* and *j*, $1 \le i < j \le n$, detect jumping from D_i to D_j . Build a list *J* of jumping pairs (D_x, D_y) for which condition jumping from D_x to D_y can occur.
- If there are no more jumping pairs (D_x, D_y) for which D_x is unflagged, done! Else, goto 4.
- **4** Pop a jumping pair (D_x, D_y) off J, for which D_x is unflagged.
- Find the set D_{x,2} of all nodes in D_x from which jumping to D_y occurs and, dually, the set D_{x,1} for which no jumping to D_y occurs. Replace any condition pair (D_x, D_z) in J by (D_{x,1}, D_z). Add (D_{x,2}, D_y) to J.
 - If $D_{x,1} = \emptyset$, flag $D_{x,2}$ as complete, goto 3.
 - Else, for any jumping pair (D_z, D_x) in J (i.e. for which jumping from D_z to D_x can occur), unflag D_z , detect jumping into $D_{x,1}$ and $D_{x,2}$ and update J accordingly. Goto 3.

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- Extension to the method presented at PPPJ'10, which can infer *polynomial* ranking functions:
 - Definition of Condition Jumping
 - Detection of Condition Jumping
 - Infer ranking functions for loops in which condition jumping occurs
- Ranking functions for loops can be used in the creation of a *global* ranking function in order to prove termination
- If the body of a loop with ranking function $RF(\bar{v})$ consumes n resources, then we know that the whole loop consumes $RF(\bar{v}) \cdot n$ resources

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Implementation: ResAna

http://resourceanalysis.cs.ru.nl/resana

- The basic procedure and DNF-splitting (minus removal of unsatisfiable pieces) have been implemented
- Future work: implement condition jumping solution