

Semantic analysis for arrays, structures and pointers

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Framework PIPS



- Fortran code
- C code

```
int main() {  
    int i=10, j=1;  
    int k = 2*(2*i+j);  
  
    return k;  
}
```

- Static analyses
- Instrumentation/
Dynamic analyses
- Transformations
- Source code generation
- Code modelling
- Prettyprint

- Fortran code
- C code

```
//PRECONDITIONS  
int main() {  
// P() {}  
    int i = 10, j = 1;  
  
// P(i,j) {i==10, j==1}  
    int k = 2*(2*i+j);  
  
// P(i,j,k) {i==10,  
//             j==1, k==42}  
    return k;  
}
```

Motivation

- Analyze C applications
 - Signal Processing
 - Scientific Computing
 - Programs with pointers
- Use points-to graph to compute transformer
- Make a relational analysis for pointers
- Make better code optimization

Related work

- *Which pointer analysis should I use?*, Hind (2000)
- *Pointer analysis: haven't we solved this problem yet?*, Hind (2001)
- *Field-sensitive Value Analysis of Embedded C Programs with Union Types and Pointer Arithmetics*, Miné (2006)
- *Static analysis by abstract interpretation of concurrent programs*, Miné (2013)
- *Analyse des pointeurs pour le langage C*, Mensi (2013)

Outline

- 1 Context
- 2 New transformer analyses
- 3 Use points-to graph
- 4 Pointer arithmetic
- 5 Conclusion

Static analyses (1)

- Memory Effect \sim *Gen* and *Kill* sets of the Dragon Book

$$E \in Statement \rightarrow (id \times \{READ, WRITE\} \times \{MAY, EXACT\})^*$$

$$E(x = x + 1) = \{(x, R, E), (x, W, E)\}$$

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$$E \in Statement \rightarrow (id \times \{READ, WRITE\} \times \{MAY, EXACT\})^*$$

$$E(x = x + 1) = \{(x, R, E), (x, W, E)\}$$

- Transformer \sim approximation of transfer function

$$T \in Statement \rightarrow (id)^* \times (affine\,(in)equality)^*$$

$$T(x = x + 1) = (\{x\}, \{x = x \# init + 1\})$$

Static analyses (2)

- Points-to graph = relation from pointers to variables

$$PT = (id \times id \times \{MAY, EXACT\})^*$$

$$p = \&i$$

$$PT = \{p \rightarrow i, EXACT\}$$

Static analyses (2)

- Points-to graph = relation from pointers to variables

$$PT = (id \times id \times \{MAY, EXACT\})^*$$

$$p = \&i$$

$$PT = \{p \rightarrow i, EXACT\}$$

- Constant Path = extension of traditional identifiers

$$CP = (Name \times V_{ref} \times Type)$$

$$a[3][2]$$

$$(a, \{3, 2\}, integer)$$

New analyses

2 new independent analyses :

① generalized transformers using points-to graph

Memory effect	Effect with points-to	Effect with points-to + points-to	Effect with points-to + points-to + constant path
$lhs = expr$ \downarrow $anywhere = anything$	$lhs = expr$ \downarrow <i>Effect with $PT^\#$</i> $id = anything$	$lhs = expr$ \downarrow $PT^\#$ $id = expr$	$lhs = expr$ \downarrow $PT^\# + CP^\#$ $CP^\# = expr$

New analyses

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$lhs = expr$ \downarrow $anywhere = anything$	$lhs = expr$ \downarrow <i>Effect with PT[#]</i> $id = anything$	$lhs = expr$ \downarrow $PT^{\#}$ $id = expr$	$lhs = expr$ \downarrow $PT^{\#} + CP^{\#}$ $CP^{\#} = expr$

② Pointer arithmetic

Value = {integer, float, boolean, pointer}

Simple case

```
int main() {  
    int i=1, j=1;  
    int *p;  
  
    p=&i;  
    *p=0;  
    return *p;  
}
```

Analyzing without points-to information

```
// PROPER EFFECTS
int main() {
// <    is written>: i j
    int i = 1, j = 1;
    int *p;

// <    is written>: p
    p = &i;
// <may be written>:
    *ANY_MODULE*: *ANYWHERE*
// <    is read  >: p
    *p = 0;

// <may be read >:
    *ANY_MODULE*: *ANYWHERE*
    return *p;
}
```

Analyzing without points-to information

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int main() {
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    return *p;
}
```

```
// TRANSFORMERS
// T(main) {}
int main() {
// T(i,j) {i==1, j==1}
    int i = 1, j = 1;
// T() {i==1, j==1}
    int *p;

// T() {i==1, j==1}
    p = &i;

// T(i,j) {i#init==1, j#init==1}
    *p = 0;

// T(main) {}
    return *p;
}
```

Analyzing with indirect points-to information

```
// PROPER EFFECTS with points-to
int main() {
// <    is written>: i j
    int i = 1, j = 1;
    int *p;

// <    is written>: p
    p = &i;
// <    is read  >: p
// <    is written>: i
    *p = 0;

// <    is read  >: i p
    return *p;
}
```

Analyzing with indirect points-to information

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// PROPER EFFECTS with points-to
int main() {
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    *p = 0;

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// TRANSFORMERS with
// PROPER EFFECTS with points-to
// T(main) {}
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    int *p;

// T() {i==1, j==1}
    p = &i;
// T(i) {i#init==1, j==1}
    *p = 0;

// T(main) {j==1}
    return *p;
}
```

Analyzing with direct points-to information

```
// POINTS-TO
int main() {
// Points To: none
    int i = 1, j = 1;
// Points To: none
    int *p;

// p->undefined, EXACT
    p = &i;
// p->i, EXACT
    *p = 0;

// p->i, EXACT
    return *p;
}
```

Analyzing with direct points-to information

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    int *p;

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    p = &i;
// p->i, EXACT
    *p = 0;

// p->i, EXACT
    return *p;
}
```

```
// TRANSFORMERS with points-to
// T(main) {main==0}
int main() {
// T(i,j) {i==1, j==1}
    int i = 1, j = 1;
// T() {i==1, j==1}
    int *p;

// T() {i==1, j==1}
    p = &i;
// T(i) {i==0, i#init==1, j==1}
    *p = 0;

// T(main) {i==0, j==1, main==0}
    return *p;
}
```

Analyzing translation of a sparse matrix

Representation of the sparse matrix

0	1	2	...
index ₀ ; re ₀ ; im ₀	index ₁ ; re ₁ ; im ₁	index ₂ ; re ₂ ; im ₂	...

	c0	c1	c2	c3	c4	c5	...
0							
1							
2							
⋮							

Analyzing translation of a sparse matrix

Representation of the sparse matrix

0	1	2	...
index ₀ ; re ₀ ; im ₀	index ₁ ; re ₁ ; im ₁	index ₂ ; re ₂ ; im ₂	...

	c0=index ₀	c1	c2	c3	c4	c5	...
0	re ₀ ; im ₀						
1							
2							
⋮							

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1			re ₁ ; im ₁				
2							
⋮							

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index ₀ ; re ₀ ; im ₀	index ₁ ; re ₁ ; im ₁	index ₂ ; re ₂ ; im ₂	...

	c0	c1	c2	c3	c4=index ₂	c5	...
0	re ₀ ; im ₀						
1			re ₁ ; im ₁				
2					re ₂ ; im ₂		
⋮							

Code

```
#define DIM 3
#define DIM1 DIM
#define DIM2 2*DIM

typedef struct{
    int re;
    int im;
} COMPLEX;

typedef struct{
    int re;
    int im;
    int index;
} TCOMPLEX;

int main() {
    int i, k;
    TCOMPLEX sparse[DIM];
    COMPLEX matrix[DIM1][DIM2];
    TCOMPLEX *temp;
    temp = sparse;

loop1: for (i=0; i<DIM; i++) {
    temp[i].index = 2*i;
    temp[i].re = (i+1);
    temp[i].im = (i+1)*(i+1);
}

loop2: for(i=0; i<DIM; i++) {
    k = sparse[i].index;
    if ((k>=0) && (k<DIM2)) {
        matrix[i][k].re = sparse[i].re;
        matrix[i][k].im = sparse[i].im;
    }
}

int result = -1;
result = matrix[0][0].re + matrix[0][0].im
+ matrix[1][2].re + matrix[1][2].im +
matrix[2][4].re + matrix[2][4].im;
return result;
}
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        matrix[i][k].re = sparse[i].re;
        matrix[i][k].im = sparse[i].im;
    }
}

int result = -1;
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    temp[i].im = (i+1)*(i+1);
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    k = sparse[i].index;
    if ((k>=0) && (k<DIM2)) {
        matrix[i][k].re = sparse[i].re;
        matrix[i][k].im = sparse[i].im;
    }
}

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+ matrix[1][2].re + matrix[1][2].im +
matrix[2][4].re + matrix[2][4].im;
return result;
}
```

Unrolling code without points-to

```

int main() {
    int k;
    TCOMPLEX sparse[3];
    COMPLEX matrix[3][6];
    TCOMPLEX *temp;
    temp = sparse;

    temp[0].index = 0;
    temp[0].re = 1;
    temp[0].im = 1;
    temp[1].index = 2;
    temp[1].re = 2;
    temp[1].im = 4;
    temp[2].index = 4;
    temp[2].re = 3;
    temp[2].im = 9;

    k = sparse[0].index;
    if (k>=0&&k<6) {
        matrix[0][k].re = sparse[0].re;
        matrix[0][k].im = sparse[0].im;
    }

    k = sparse[1].index;
    if (k>=0&&k<6) {
        matrix[1][k].re = sparse[1].re;
        matrix[1][k].im = sparse[1].im;
    }

    k = sparse[2].index;
    if (k>=0&&k<6) {
        matrix[2][k].re = sparse[2].re;
        matrix[2][k].im = sparse[2].im;
    }

    int result = -1;
    result = matrix[0][0].re +
        matrix[0][0].im + matrix[1][2].re +
        matrix[1][2].im + matrix[2][4].re
        + matrix[2][4].im;

    return result;
}

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    temp[2].im = 9;

    k = sparse[0].index;
    if (k>=0&&k<6) {
        matrix[0][k].re = sparse[0].re;
        matrix[0][k].im = sparse[0].im;
    }

    k = sparse[1].index;
    if (k>=0&&k<6) {
        matrix[1][k].re = sparse[1].re;
        matrix[1][k].im = sparse[1].im;
    }

    k = sparse[2].index;
    if (k>=0&&k<6) {
        matrix[2][k].re = sparse[2].re;
        matrix[2][k].im = sparse[2].im;
    }

    int result = -1;
    result = matrix[0][0].re +
        matrix[0][0].im + matrix[1][2].re +
        matrix[1][2].im + matrix[2][4].re
        + matrix[2][4].im;
    // T(main) {main==result}
    return result;
}

```

Unrolling code with points-to

```
int main() {
    int k;
    TCOMPLEX sparse[3];
    COMPLEX matrix[3][6];
    TCOMPLEX *temp;
    temp = sparse;

    temp[0].index = 0;
    temp[0].re = 1;
    temp[0].im = 1;
    temp[1].index = 2;
    temp[1].re = 2;
    temp[1].im = 4;
    temp[2].index = 4;
    temp[2].re = 3;
    temp[2].im = 9;

    k = sparse[0].index;
    matrix[0][0].re = sparse[0].re;
    matrix[0][0].im = sparse[0].im;
    k = sparse[1].index;
    matrix[1][2].re = sparse[1].re;
    matrix[1][2].im = sparse[1].im;
    k = sparse[2].index;
    matrix[2][4].re = sparse[2].re;
    matrix[2][4].im = sparse[2].im;

    int result = -1;
    result = matrix[0][0].re +
        matrix[0][0].im + matrix[1][2].re +
        matrix[1][2].im + matrix[2][4].re
        + matrix[2][4].im;

    return result;
}
```

Analyzing with points-to information and constant path

```
int main() {
    int k;
    TCOMPLEX sparse[3];
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    temp = sparse;

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    temp[0].re = 1;
    temp[0].im = 1;
    temp[1].index = 2;
    temp[1].re = 2;
    temp[1].im = 4;
    temp[2].index = 4;
    temp[2].re = 3;
    temp[2].im = 9;

    k = sparse[0].index;
    matrix[0][0].re = sparse[0].re;
    matrix[0][0].im = sparse[0].im;
    k = sparse[1].index;
    matrix[1][2].re = sparse[1].re;
    matrix[1][2].im = sparse[1].im;
    k = sparse[2].index;
    matrix[2][4].re = sparse[2].re;
    matrix[2][4].im = sparse[2].im;

    int result = -1;
    result = matrix[0][0].re +
        matrix[0][0].im + matrix[1][2].re +
        matrix[1][2].im + matrix[2][4].re +
        matrix[2][4].im;

    return result;
}
```

Analyzing with points-to information and constant path

```
int main() {
    int k;
    TCOMPLEX sparse[3];
    COMPLEX matrix[3][6];
    TCOMPLEX *temp;
    temp = sparse;

// T(sparse[0][index], sparse[0][re],
//     sparse[0][im])
{sparse[0][index]==0,
 sparse[0][re]==1, sparse[0][im]==1}
temp[0].index = 0;
temp[0].re = 1;
temp[0].im = 1;
temp[1].index = 2;
temp[1].re = 2;
temp[1].im = 4;
temp[2].index = 4;
temp[2].re = 3;
temp[2].im = 9;

    k = sparse[0].index;
    matrix[0][0].re = sparse[0].re;
    matrix[0][0].im = sparse[0].im;
    k = sparse[1].index;
    matrix[1][2].re = sparse[1].re;
    matrix[1][2].im = sparse[1].im;
    k = sparse[2].index;
    matrix[2][4].re = sparse[2].re;
    matrix[2][4].im = sparse[2].im;

    int result = -1;
    result = matrix[0][0].re +
        matrix[0][0].im + matrix[1][2].re +
        matrix[1][2].im + matrix[2][4].re +
        matrix[2][4].im;

    return result;
}
```

Analyzing with points-to information and constant path

```

int main() {
    int k;
    TCOMPLEX sparse[3];
    COMPLEX matrix[3][6];
    TCOMPLEX *temp;
    temp = sparse;

    // T(sparse[0].index, sparse[0].re,
    //     sparse[0].im)
    {sparse[0].index==0,
     sparse[0].re==1, sparse[0].im==1}
    temp[0].index = 0;
    temp[0].re = 1;
    temp[0].im = 1;
    temp[1].index = 2;
    temp[1].re = 2;
    temp[1].im = 4;
    temp[2].index = 4;
    temp[2].re = 3;
    temp[2].im = 9;

    // T(k, matrix[0][0].re,
    //     matrix[0][0].im)
    {..., k==0, matrix[0][0].re==1,
     matrix[0][0].im==1}
    k = sparse[0].index;
    matrix[0][0].re = sparse[0].re;
    matrix[0][0].im = sparse[0].im;
    k = sparse[1].index;
    matrix[1][2].re = sparse[1].re;
    matrix[1][2].im = sparse[1].im;
    k = sparse[2].index;
    matrix[2][4].re = sparse[2].re;
    matrix[2][4].im = sparse[2].im;

    int result = -1;
    result = matrix[0][0].re +
        matrix[0][0].im + matrix[1][2].re +
        matrix[1][2].im + matrix[2][4].re +
        matrix[2][4].im;

    return result;
}

```

Analyzing with points-to information and constant path

```
int main() {
    int k;
    TCOMPLEX sparse[3];
    COMPLEX matrix[3][6];
    TCOMPLEX *temp;
    temp = sparse;

    temp[0].index = 0;
    temp[0].re = 1;
    temp[0].im = 1;
    temp[1].index = 2;
    temp[1].re = 2;
    temp[1].im = 4;
    temp[2].index = 4;
    temp[2].re = 3;
    temp[2].im = 9;

    k = sparse[0].index;
    matrix[0][0].re = sparse[0].re;
    matrix[0][0].im = sparse[0].im;
    k = sparse[1].index;
    matrix[1][2].re = sparse[1].re;
    matrix[1][2].im = sparse[1].im;
    k = sparse[2].index;
    matrix[2][4].re = sparse[2].re;
    matrix[2][4].im = sparse[2].im;

    int result = -1;
    result = matrix[0][0].re +
        matrix[0][0].im + matrix[1][2].re +
        matrix[1][2].im + matrix[2][4].re +
        matrix[2][4].im;
    // T(main) {..., main==20}
    return result;
}
```

Different possible analyses

- ① Constrain pointer arithmetic only on same pointer types

```
int *p1, *q1;  
float *p2, *q2;  
p1 = q1 + 1;  
p2 = q2 + 1;
```

- ② Normalize pointer arithmetic, for instance with *sizeof*
- ③ Constrain pointer arithmetic only for arrays

Different possible analyses

- ① Constrain pointer arithmetic only on same pointer types
- ② Normalize pointer arithmetic, for instance with *sizeof*

```
int *p1, *q1;  
p1 = q1 + 1;  
// p1 = q1 + sizeof(int)
```

- ③ Constrain pointer arithmetic only for arrays

Different possible analyses

- ① Constrain pointer arithmetic only on same pointer types
- ② Normalize pointer arithmetic, for instance with *sizeof*
- ③ Constrain pointer arithmetic only for arrays

```
int *p, *q, a[10];
q = &a[0];
p = q + 1;
// q = &a[0], p=&a[1]
```

Example by normalization

```
int foo(int *p, int i) {
    int *r, *q;
    int error=-1, good=0;

    q = p+i;

    if(q==p && i>0)
        r = &error;
    else
        r = &good;

    return *r;
}
```

Analyzing with normalization

```
// T(foo) {}
int foo(int *p, int i) {
// T(q,r) {}
    int *r, *q;
// T(error,good) {error===-1, good==0}
    int error = -1, good = 0;
// T(q) {error===-1, good==0, 4i+p==q}
    q = p+i;

// T(r) {&good==r, error===-1, good==0, 4i+p==q}
    if (q==p&&i>0)
// T() {0===-1}
        r = &error;
    else
// T(r) {&good==r, error===-1, good==0, 4i+p==q}
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Analyzing after removing unreachable code

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    int error = -1, good = 0;
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    q = p+i;

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    r = &good;                                // Points To (1):
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        4i+p==q, foo==0}                      // p -> _p_1[0] , EXACT
    return *r;                               (1)  // q -> _p_1[*] , MAY
}                                            // r -> good , EXACT
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Future work

- *cast and union*
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