

Reasoning About Set Comprehensions

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This work, at a Glance

Reasoning about set comprehensions:

- Source language: set comprehensions over some base theory Th — $SC(Th)$
- We encode formulas of $SC(Th)$ into formulas of Th , plus an uninterpreted domain U — $U+Th$
 - Uninterpreted domain U represents the domain of sets of Th
 - $U+Th$ formulas are fed to an off-the-shelf SAT checker (e.g., Z3)

For simplicity, we demonstrate this encoding for $Th = LIA$ (Linear Integer Arithmetic's)

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$SC(LIA)$ and $U+LIA$

$SC(LIA)$: Set Comprehensions over Linear Integer Arithmetic

Arithmetic Term	$t ::= x \mid v \mid t \text{ op } t$
Arithmetic Formula	$T ::= t \doteq t \mid t < t \mid \neg T \mid T \wedge T$
Set Term	$s ::= X \mid \{\bar{t}\} \mid \boxed{\{t \mid T\}_{x \in s}} \mid s \cup s \mid s \cap s \mid s \setminus s$
Set Formula	$S ::= t \in s \mid s \doteq s \mid s \subseteq s \mid \neg S \mid S \wedge S$

$U+LIA$: Linear Integer Arithmetic and Uninterpreted Sets

Arithmetic Term	$t ::= x \mid v \mid t \text{ op } t$
Arithmetic Formula	$T ::= t \doteq t \mid t < t$
Uninterpreted Set Term	$s ::= X$
Uninterpreted Set Formula	$S ::= t \in s$
Formula	$F, C ::= S \mid T \mid \neg F \mid F \wedge F \mid \exists x.F \mid \forall x.F$

- Set comprehensions: $\{t_x \mid T_x\}_{x \in s}$
 - t_x : range pattern
 - T_x : guard condition
 - s : comprehension domain
- Scope of x is t_x and T_x

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- Encode set term $\{10, 20, 30\}$ as uninterpreted variable X_2
- Relation $\dot{\in}$ is treated as an uninterpreted binary predicate
- Formula F_1 provides the interpretation of X_2 and $\dot{\in}$

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- Same for $\{x * 10 \mid x < 4\}_{x \in X}$ with X_3 and F_2
- Given $\{t_x \mid T_x\}_{x \in s}$, we encode with X_3

$$\forall x. (t_x \in X_3) \leftrightarrow (x \in s \wedge T_x)$$
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- Finally, F_3 states that X_2 and X_3 are extensionally equal

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- $\{10, 20, 30\} \doteq \{x * 10 \mid x < 4\}_{x \in X}$ is satisfiable
- iff $F_1 \wedge F_2 \wedge F_3$ is satisfiable (i.e., $\mathcal{M} \models F_1 \wedge F_2 \wedge F_3$)
- $\mathcal{M} \models F_1 \wedge F_2 \wedge F_3$ can be checked by many off-the-shelf SMT solvers (e.g., Z3)

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- We expect $\{0, 2\} \doteq \{x \% 3 \mid \top\}_{x \in \{3, 6, 8\}}$ to be satisfiable ...
- but $F_1 \wedge F_2 \wedge F_3 \wedge F_4$ is not!

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- The problem: F_2 is “malfunctioning” on the \rightarrow case
- A counterexample $9 \% 3 = 0$, but $0 \in X_3 \not\rightarrow 9 \in X_4$

Set Comprehension Encoding (In General)

- Encode comprehensions with $\forall x. (t_x \in X_3) \leftrightarrow (x \in s \wedge T_x)$ on work if t_x is *injective*.
- In general, comprehension patterns are encoding with *two* $U+LIA$ formulas

$$\llbracket \{t_x \mid T_x\}_{x \in X} \rrbracket = \begin{cases} X' \\ \text{such that} \\ \forall x. (x \in X \wedge T_x) \rightarrow t_x \in X' & - F_{max} \\ \forall z. z \in X' \rightarrow \exists x. (z = t_x \wedge x \in X \wedge T_x) & - F_{rg} \end{cases}$$

- F_{max} enforces *maximality*: Every domain value in X has a corresponding value in X'
- F_{rg} enforces *range restriction*: Every member of X' has a corresponding value in X

Encoding $SC(LIA)$ into $U+LIA$

- Given a $SC(LIA)$ formula S , is $\mathcal{M} \models \llbracket S \rrbracket$ decidable?
 - Most likely not.
 - $U+LIA$ is not decidable [Halpern, 1991].
- Nonetheless still useful:
 - Compiler optimization for CHR with comprehensions [Lam and Cervesato, 2014]
- See paper for details!

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Implementation

- A lightweight Python library:
 - Built on top of Z3 SMT Solver [De Moura and Bjørner, 2008]
 - Simple combinator library to write $SC(Th_{Z3})$ formulas, where Th_{Z3} consist of Z3 base types.
 - Translates $SC(Th_{Z3})$ formulas to $U+Th_{Z3}$ formulas, which are SAT checked by Z3
- Available for download at:
<https://github.com/sllam/pysetcomp>

Future Work

- Set comprehension is great, but what about *multiset* comprehensions?
- Possible approach: Multisets as arrays (map elements to multiplicity)

$$\begin{aligned}
 M &= X_1 \doteq \{x * 10 \mid x \leq 3\}_{x \in X_2} \\
 \llbracket M \rrbracket &= \begin{cases} \forall x, m. (X_2[x] = m \wedge m > 0 \wedge x \leq 3) \rightarrow X_1[x * 10] = m \\ \forall z, m. (X_1[z] = m \wedge m > 0) \rightarrow \exists x. (z = x * 10 \wedge x \leq 3 \wedge X_2[x] = m) \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Future work:
 - “Multisets as arrays” works only for injective functions
 - Requires a *reduce* sum on array values

Conclusion

- We have developed a framework for automated reasoning about formulas on set comprehensions over some base term theory Th (i.e., $SC(Th)$).
- Encodes $SC(Th)$ into $U+Th$ formulas, which can be SAT checked by off-the-shelf SMT solvers
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