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Abstract: We develop a logic for reasoning about object-oriented programs. The logic is for a language with an imperative semantics and aliasing, and accounts for self-reference in objects. It is much like a type system for objects with subtyping, but our specifications go further than types in detailing pre- and postconditions. We intend the logic as an analogue of Hoare logic for objectoriented programs. Our main technical result is a soundness theorem that relates the logic to a standard operational semantics.

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Abstract: This paper presents proof terms for simply typed, intuitionistic higher order logic, a popular logical framework. Unification-based algorithms for the compression and reconstruction of proof terms are described and have been implemented in the theorem prover Isabelle. Experimental results confirm the effectiveness of the compression scheme.

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Abstract: We classify existing approaches to resource-bounds checking as static or dynamic. Dynamic checking performs checks during program execution, while static checking performs them before execution. Dynamic checking is easy to implement but incurs runtime cost. Static checking avoids runtime overhead but typically involves difficult, often incomplete program analyses. In particular, static checking is hard in the presence of dynamic data and complex program structure. We propose a new resource management paradigm that offers the best of both worlds. We present language constructs that let the code producer optimize dynamic checks by placing them either before each resource use, or at the start of the program, or anywhere in between. We show how the code consumer can then statically verify that the optimized dynamic checks enforce his resource bounds policy. We present a practical language that is designed to admit decidable yet efficient verification and prove that our procedure is sound and optimal. We describe our experience verifying a Java implementation of tar for resource safety. Finally, we outline how our method can improve the checking of other dynamic properties.

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Abstract: We believe that fundamental to the establishment of a grid computing framework where all (not just large organizations) are able to effectively tap into the resources available on the global network is the establishment of trust between grid application developers and resource donors. Resource donors must be able to trust that their security, safety, and privacy policies will be respected by programs that use their systems. In this paper, we present a novel solution based on the notion of certified code that upholds safety, security, and privacy policies by examining intrinsic properties of code. Certified code complements authentication and provides

a foundation for a safe, secure, and efficient framework that executes native code. We describe the implementation of such a framework known as the ConCert software.

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Abstract: In earlier work, Necula and Lee developed proof-carrying code (PCC) [3, 5], which is a mechanism for ensuring the safe behavior of programs. In PCC, a program contains both the code and an encoding of an easy-to-check proof. The validity of the proof, which can be automatically determined by a simple proof-checking program, implies that the code, when executed, will behave safely according to a user-supplied formal definition of safe behavior. Later, Necula and Lee demonstrated the concept of a certifying compiler [6, 7]. Certifying compilers promise to make PCC more practical by compiling high-level source programs into optimized PCC binaries completely automatically, as opposed to depending on semi-automatic theorem-proving techniques. Taken together, PCC and certifying compilers provide a possible solution to the code safety problem, even in applications involving mobile code [4]. In this paper we describe a PCC architecture comprising two tools: (1) A thin PCC layer implemented in C that protects a host system from unsafe software. The host system can be anything from a desktop computer down to a smartcard. The administrator of the host system specifies a safety policy in a variant of the Edinburgh Logical Framework (LF) [1]. This layer loads PCC binaries, which are Intel x86 object files that contain a section providing a binary encoding of a safety proof, and checks them against the safety policy before installing the software. (2) A software-development tool that produces x86 PCC binaries from Java classfiles. It is implemented in Objective Caml [2]. From a developer's perspective, this tool works just like any other compiler, with an interface similar to `javac` or `gcc`. Behind the scenes, the tool produces x86 machine code along with a proof of type safety according to the Java typing rules.

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Abstract: Various code certification systems allow the certification and static verification of important safety properties such as memory and control-flow safety. These systems are valuable tools for verifying that untrusted and potentially malicious code is safe before execution. However, one important safety property that is not usually included is that programs adhere to specific bounds on resource consumption, such as running time. We present a decidable type system capable of specifying and certifying bounds on resource consumption. Our system makes two advances over previous resource bound certification systems, both of which are necessary for a practical system: We allow the execution time of programs and their subroutines to vary, depending on their arguments, and we provide a fully automatic compiler generating certified executables from source-level programs. The principal

device in our approach is a strategy for simulating dependent types using sum and inductive kinds.

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Abstract: We show how to efficiently obtain linear a priori bounds on the heap space consumption of first-order functional programs. The analysis takes space reuse by explicit deallocation into account and also furnishes an upper bound on the heap usage in the presence of garbage collection. It covers a wide variety of examples including, for instance, the familiar sorting algorithms for lists, including quicksort. The analysis relies on a type system with resource annotations. Linear programming (LP) is used to automatically infer derivations in this enriched type system. We also show that integral solutions to the linear programs derived correspond to programs that can be evaluated without any operating system support for memory management. The particular integer linear programs arising in this way are shown to be feasibly solvable under mild assumptions.

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Abstract: We show how linear typing can be used to obtain functional programs which modify heap-allocated data structures in place. We present this both as a “design pattern” for writing C-code in a functional style and as a compilation process from linearly typed first-order functional programs into malloc-free Ccode. The main technical result is the correctness of this compilation. The crucial innovation over previous linear typing schemes consists of the introduction of a resource type D which controls the number of constructor symbols such as consin recursive definitions and ensures linear space while restricting expressive power surprisingly little. While the space efficiency brought about by the new typing scheme and the compilation into C can also be realised by with state-of-the-art optimising compilers for functional languages such as Ocaml[16], the present method provides guaranteed bounds on heap space which will be of use for applications such as languages for embedded systems or automatic certification of resource bounds. We show that the functions expressible in the system are precisely those computable on a linearly space-bounded Turing machine with an unbounded stack. By a result of Cook this equals the complexity class ‘exponential time’. A tail recursive fragment of the language captures the complexity class ‘linear space’. We discuss various extensions, in

particular an extension with FIFO queues admitting constant time catenation and enqueueing, and an extension of the type system to fully-fledged intuitionistic linear logic.

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Abstract: This paper formalises a semantics for statements and expressions (in sequential imperative languages) which includes non-termination, normal termination and abrupt termination (e.g. because of an exception, break, return or continue). This extends the traditional semantics underlying e.g. Hoare logic, which only distinguishes termination and non-termination. An extension of Hoare logic is elaborated that includes means for reasoning about abrupt termination (and side-effects). It prominently involves rules for reasoning about while loops, which may contain exceptions, breaks, continues and returns. This extension applies in particular to Java. As an example, a standard pattern search algorithm in Java (involving a while loop with returns) is proven correct using the proof-tool PVS.

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Abstract: Investigating soundness and completeness of verification calculi for imperative programming languages is a challenging task. Many incorrect results have been published in the past. We take advantage of the computer-aided proof tool LEGO to interactively establish soundness and completeness of both Hoare Logic and the operation decomposition rules of the Vienna Development Method (VDM) with respect to operational semantics. We deal with parameterless recursive procedures and local variables in the context of total correctness. As a case study, we use LEGO to verify the correctness of Quicksort in Hoare Logic. As our main contribution, we illuminate the role of auxiliary variables in Hoare Logic. They are required to relate the value of program variables in the final state with the value of program variables in the initial state. In our formalisation, we reflect their purpose by interpreting assertions as relations on states and a domain of auxiliary variables. Furthermore, we propose a new structural rule for adjusting auxiliary variables when strengthening preconditions and weakening postconditions. This rule is stronger than all previously suggested structural rules, including rules of adaptation. With the new treatment, we are able to show that, contrary to common belief, Hoare Logic subsumes VDM in that every derivation in VDM can be naturally embedded in Hoare Logic. Moreover, we establish completeness results uniformly as corollaries of Most General Formula theorems which remove the need to reason about arbitrary assertions.

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Abstract: Extended static checking is a powerful program analysis technique. It translates into a logical formula the hypothesis that a given program has some particular desirable properties. The logical formula, called a verification condition, is then checked with an automatic theorem prover. The extended static checking technique has been built into a couple of program checkers. This paper discusses other possible applications of the technique to the problem of producing quality software more quickly.

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Abstract: We describe an extension of Hoare’s logic for reasoning about programs that alter data structures. We consider a low-level storage model based on a heap with associated lookup, update, allocation and deallocation operations, and unrestricted address arithmetic. The assertion language is based on a possible worlds model of the logic of bunched implications, and includes spatial conjunction and implication connectives alongside those of classical logic. Heap operations are axiomatized using what we call the “small axioms”, each of which mentions only those cells accessed by a particular command. Through these and a number of examples we show that the formalism supports local reasoning: A specification and proof can concentrate on only those cells in memory that a program accesses. This paper builds on earlier work by Burstall, Reynolds, Ishtiaq and O’Hearn on reasoning about data structures.

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and a closely related “separating implication”. Coupled with the inductive definition of predicates on abstract data structures, this extension permits the concise and flexible description of structures with controlled sharing. In this paper, we will survey the current development of this program logic, including extensions that permit unrestricted address arithmetic, dynamically allocated arrays, and recursive procedures. We will also discuss promising future directions.

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