# Program Analysis for Quantified Information Flow The 5th CREST Open Workshop

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# What is secure information flow?



- Information flows between objects of a computing systems, e.g., devices, agents, variables, channels etc.
- Information flow security is concerned with how security information is allowed to flow through a computer system.
- Flow is considered secure if it accepts a specified policy which defines the accessibility of the information.

Example: Secure information flow is violated

## Security level

x: HIGH security variable y: LOW security variable

## Assignment

y := x;

# Control flow if $(x \mod 2 == 0)$ then y := 0 else y := 1

#### Termination behaviour

y := x;while( $y \neq 0$ ) x := x \* x

# Non-interference is too restrictive!



#### How much information is leaked?

- A new policy to relax the NI
- From quantitative view, the program is secure if the amount of information flow from high to low is small enough.
- Idea: we treat the program as a communication channel, use information theory, consider how much interference?

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## An Intuitive Example



► Let *H* be the average minimum number of questions the receiver needs to guess which symbol you will send:

$$2^{H} = N$$
  $H = \log_{2} N$   
 $H = -\log_{2} \frac{1}{N}$   $H = -\log_{2} p$ 

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## Information

## Information and entropy

Surprise of an event x<sub>i</sub> occurring with probability p<sub>i</sub>:

 $-\log_2 p_i$ 

Information (entropy) = expected value of surprise:

$$\mathcal{H} \stackrel{\mathrm{def}}{=} \sum_{1}^{n} p_{i} \log_{2} \frac{1}{p_{i}}$$

Equivalent to a measurement of uncertainty or variation
Information is maximised under uniform distribution:

$$\mathcal{H} \leq \log_2 n$$

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A discrete random variable is a surjective function from sample space to observation space:

 $X: D \to \mathcal{R}(D)$ 

where D is a finite set with a specified probability distribution, and  $\mathcal{R}$  is the finite range of X

- Joint random variable:  $\langle X, Y \rangle$
- ▶ Random variable X conditioned on Y = y: P(X = x | Y = y)

## Shannon's measure of entropy

Entropy (expected value of surprise when X is observed)  $\mathcal{H}(X) = \sum_{x \in X} p(x) \log_2 \frac{1}{p(x)} = -\sum_x p(x) \log_2 p(x)$ 

Mutual Information (shared information)

$$\mathcal{I}(X;Y) = \mathcal{H}(X) + \mathcal{H}(Y) - \mathcal{H}(X,Y)$$

Conditional Mutual Information





$$\mathcal{I}(X; Y|Z) = \mathcal{H}(X|Z) + \mathcal{H}(Y|Z) - \mathcal{H}(X, Y|Z)$$

# Leakage definition



Leakage Definition for Batch Programs

- $\blacktriangleright \mathcal{L}(H,L') \triangleq \mathcal{I}(H;L'|L) = \mathcal{H}(L'|L) \text{ [CHM07]}$
- ► Technical considerations allow us to consider L(H, L') as H(L') [CHM07]
- How to calculate  $\mathcal{H}(L')$  ??

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# Current approaches

|                 | description            | language | tool         | scalability  | automatic    |
|-----------------|------------------------|----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Clark,Hunt,Mal  | bounds analysis        | while    | -            | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| Malacaria       | partition property     | -        | -            | -            | -            |
| McCament,Ernst  | dynanmic analysis      | С        | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| Backes,Köpf,Ryb | model checking         | С        | $\checkmark$ | -            | $\checkmark$ |
| Heusser,Mal     | model checking         | С        | $\checkmark$ | -            | $\checkmark$ |
| Lowe            | refusal counting       | CSP      | -            | -            | -            |
| Boreale         | IT in process calculus | CCS      | -            | -            | -            |

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# The idea



- Consider simple imperative programs: skip|ass|if|while|compose
- Apply probabilistic domain transformer semantics to calculate distribution on outputs given distribution on inputs
- Use information theory to measure flow for a giving input distribution
- Automate the computation of the flows using the semantics

## The semantics

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mathcal{M}[\![\texttt{Cmd}]\!] & : & \Sigma \to \Sigma & & \mathcal{M}[\![\texttt{Exp}]\!] & : & \Sigma \to Val \\ \mathcal{M}[\![\texttt{BExp}]\!] & : & \Sigma \to \Sigma & & Val \\ \text{stores } \Sigma & : & \text{Ide} \to Val \\ \end{array}$$

Figure: Semantics Domains

$$\begin{split} f_{\llbracket x:=e\rrbracket}(\mu) &\triangleq \lambda X.\mu(f_{\llbracket x:=e\rrbracket}^{-1}(X)) \\ f_{\llbracket c_1\rrbracket:\llbracket c_2\rrbracket}(\mu) &\triangleq f_{\llbracket c_2\rrbracket}\circ f_{\llbracket c_1\rrbracket}(\mu) \\ f_{\llbracket \texttt{if } b \ c_1 \ c_2\rrbracket}(\mu) &\triangleq f_{\llbracket c_1\rrbracket}\circ f_{\llbracket b\rrbracket}(\mu) + f_{\llbracket c_2\rrbracket}\circ f_{\llbracket \neg b\rrbracket}(\mu) \\ f_{\llbracket \texttt{while } b \ do \ c\rrbracket}(\mu) &\triangleq f_{\llbracket \neg b\rrbracket}(\lim_{n\to\infty}(\lambda\mu'.\mu + f_{\llbracket c\rrbracket}\circ f_{\llbracket b\rrbracket}(\mu'))^n(\lambda X.\bot)) \\ & \text{where, } f_{\llbracket b\rrbracket}(\mu) = \lambda X.\mu(X \cap B) \end{split}$$

Figure: Probabilistic Denotational Semantics

## The leakage definition of loops

## Entropy of loops

• We define the leakage for loops up to  $k^{th}$  iterations by:

$$\begin{array}{ll} E & \mapsto & \mathcal{L}_{\texttt{while}}(k) = \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathcal{P}) + \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathcal{Q}|\mathcal{P}) \\ & = & \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathcal{P}_0 \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{P}_k) + \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathcal{Q}_0 \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{Q}_k|\mathcal{P}_0 \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{P}_k) \end{array}$$

- case k < n, we can compute the leakage due to each iteration before the loop terminates with the time of observation
- case k = n, this definition has been proved equivalent to Malacaria's leakage definition of loops [Mal07]
- ▶ case  $k = \infty$ , nonterminating loops,  $\mathcal{H}(\bot) = 0$

Leakage Analysis by Probabilistic Semantics: Example

Example: A terminating loop

l:=0; while(l<h) l:=l+1;

- ► Assume *h* is 3-bit *high* security variable with distribution:  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & w.p. & \frac{7}{8} & 1 & w.p. & \frac{1}{56} & \dots & 7 & w.p. & \frac{1}{56} \end{bmatrix}$
- I is low security variable

• Consider the decompositions  $\mathcal{P}_i$  and  $\mathcal{Q}_i$  due to event  $b^i$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_0 &= \{\mu(b^0)\} = \{\frac{7}{8}\} & \mathcal{Q}_0 &= \{\mu_l(0)\} = \{\frac{7}{8}\} \\ \mathcal{P}_1 &= \{\mu(b^1)\} = \{\frac{1}{56}\} & \mathcal{Q}_1 &= \{\mu_l(1)\} = \{\frac{1}{56}\} \\ \cdots & \cdots \\ \mathcal{P}_7 &= \{\mu(b^7)\} = \{\frac{1}{56}\} & \mathcal{Q}_7 &= \{\mu_l(7)\} = \{\frac{1}{56}\} \end{aligned}$$

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## Leakage Analysis by Probabilistic Semantics

## Example: A terminating loop

- Note that q<sub>i</sub> = p<sub>i</sub>, hence H
  (Q|P) = 0, i.e., the information flow within body is 0
- ► The leakage computation due to each iteration:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mathcal{L}_{\texttt{while}-0} &=& \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathcal{P}_0) = 0.192645 \\ \mathcal{L}_{\texttt{while}-1} &=& \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathcal{P}_0 \cup \mathcal{P}_1) = 0.304939275 \\ \mathcal{L}_{\texttt{while}-2} &=& \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathcal{P}_0 \cup \mathcal{P}_1 \cup \mathcal{P}_2) = 0.412829778 \\ \mathcal{L}_{\texttt{while}-3} &=& \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathcal{P}_0 \cup \mathcal{P}_1 \cup \mathcal{P}_2 \cup \mathcal{P}_3) = 0.516570646 \\ \mathcal{L}_{\texttt{while}-4} &=& \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathcal{P}_0 \cup \mathcal{P}_1 \cup \cdots \cup \mathcal{P}_4) = 0.616396764 \\ \mathcal{L}_{\texttt{while}-5} &=& \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathcal{P}_0 \cup \mathcal{P}_1 \cup \cdots \cup \mathcal{P}_5) = 0.71252562 \\ \mathcal{L}_{\texttt{while}-6} &=& \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathcal{P}_0 \cup \mathcal{P}_1 \cup \cdots \cup \mathcal{P}_6) = 0.805158879 \\ \mathcal{L}_{\texttt{while}-7} &=& \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathcal{P}_0 \cup \mathcal{P}_1 \cup \cdots \cup \mathcal{P}_7) = 0.894483808 \end{array}$$

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# The idea

#### define an abstraction on the measure space

- concrte lattice
- abstract lattice
- Galois connection
- abstract semantic operations are applied to the abstract space
  - soundness and correctness of the abstraction
- estimate the abstract spaces to provide safe bounds on the entropy computation

Measurable partitions and abstract domain

## Concrete lattice

- the σ-algebra B of a finite measure space X forms a complete lattice
- we define a partial order on  $\mathcal{B}$  as follows:

$$\forall x_1, x_2 \in \mathcal{B}, x_1 < x_2 \text{ iff } \mathcal{H}(x_1) \leq \mathcal{H}(x_2)$$

• define an equivalence relation on  $\mathcal{B}$ :

$$x_1 \simeq x_2$$
 iff  $\mathcal{H}(x_1) = \mathcal{H}(x_2)$ 

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## Measurable partitions and abstract domain

## Abstract space

- An element of the abstract domain x<sup>♯</sup><sub>i</sub> ∈ X<sup>♯</sup> is defined as a pair (µ<sub>i</sub>, [E<sub>i</sub>]), where µ<sub>i</sub> is the weight on the element
- Adjust the concrete space to be sorted
- Make the partition:  $\xi = \{E_i | 1 \le i \le n\}$
- Lift to interval-based partition:

$$[E_i]:\langle I_1^i,I_2^j,\ldots,I_k^j\rangle\to\mu_i$$

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# Measurable partitions and abstract domain

## The Galois connection

- b the abstraction function α is a mapping from concrete space X to the sets of interval-based partitions X<sup>♯</sup>: X → [X/ξ], where [X/ξ] = {(µ<sub>i</sub>, [E<sub>i</sub>])|0 < i ≤ n}</p>
- b the concretisation function γ is a mapping:
  X<sup>♯</sup> → ∪{x|x ∈ [E<sub>i</sub>]/η}, where the [E<sub>i</sub>] are the blocks of the abstract object X<sup>♯</sup>, η is a sub-partition on each block under uniform distribution

Entropy of Measurable Partition and Leakage Computation

Uniformalisation: a transformation of each block of space of a variable into a space with uniform distribution on each block
 let **[**.] ξ = ξ', the leakage upper bound

$$U_{\nu} = \mathcal{H}(\xi'\eta) = \mathcal{H}(\xi') + \mathcal{H}(\eta|\xi')$$
  
=  $\mathcal{H}(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n) + \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i \mathcal{H}(\frac{\mu_i/N_i}{\mu_i}, \dots, \frac{\mu_i/N_i}{\mu_i})$   
=  $\mathcal{H}(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n) + \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i \log_2(N_i)$ 

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where  $N_i$  is the size of the partition  $E_i$ 

## Example

[1:=0; while(l<h) do l++;]]</pre>

► initial distribution 
$$\mu_h \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & w.p. & 0.1, & 1 & w.p. & 0.1 \\ 2 & w.p. & 0.1, & 3 & w.p. & 0.1 \\ 4 & w.p. & 0.2, & 5 & w.p. & 0.2 \\ 6 & w.p. & 0.1, & 7 & w.p. & 0.1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Consider the partitions ξ:

$$\left\{\begin{array}{l}E_1\langle [0,3]_h, [0,0]_I\rangle \to 0.4,\\E_2\langle [4,7]_h, [0,0]_I\rangle \to 0.6\end{array}\right\}$$

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## Example

[1:=0; while(l<h) do l++;]</pre>

- A fixpoint is reached at the end.
- Concentrate on the low variable, do uniformalisation on each block to concretise the final space, and have:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} [0,3]_{I} \to 0.4, \\ [4,7]_{I} \to 0.6 \end{array} \right\} \stackrel{\text{Uniformalisation}}{\Longrightarrow} \mu_{I} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 \to 0.4/4 & 1 \to 0.4/4 \\ 2 \to 0.4/4 & 3 \to 0.4/4 \\ ---- & --- \\ 4 \to 0.6/4 & 5 \to 0.6/4 \\ 6 \to 0.6/4 & 7 \to 0.6/4 \end{pmatrix}$$

► leakage upper bound:  $U_l = \mathcal{H}(0.4, 0.6) + 0.4 * \log_2 4 + 0.6 * \log_2 4 = 2.97$ 

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- Consider the quantity of information flow in reactive processes by looking at the different behaviours of a high user from a low user's observations.
- The reactive system is modelled by using Probabilistic Labelled Transition System (PLTS)
- The observation records the history traces of behaviours from the view of low users in a way of distributions.
- Introduce a transformation on the process tree.
- ► A metric space is built upon the transformation tree, and the information flow is measured via metrics.

## The Probabilistic Model

Probabilistic Labelled Transition Systems

- The PLTS is given as a triple  $PLTS = (T, \Sigma, \mu)$
- Specifically, μ<sub>p,a</sub>: T → [0, 1], μ<sub>p</sub>: Σ → T → [0, 1], where for any a ∈ Σ and p is a state that can perform the action a, indicating the possible next states and their probabilities after p has performed a.

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Furthermore, ∀p ∈ T and can perform action a, ∑<sub>p'∈T</sub> μ<sub>a,p</sub>(p') = 1, *i.e.*, μ<sub>p,a</sub> is a probability distribution.

## The Language and its Semantics

Syntax

$$F ::= \bot | x | \sum_{i \in I} a_i . p_i . F_i | \sqcap S | F_1 || F_2 | \mu x . F_1$$

**Operational Semantics** 

Act 
$$\begin{array}{c} E \xrightarrow{a_i} p_i E_i \\ \hline E \xrightarrow{a} \pi \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \cdot a_i \cdot E_i \\ \pi : \{p_i | 1 \le i \le n\}, \ a = \{a_i | 1 \le i \le n\} \end{array}$$

Par 
$$\frac{E_1 \xrightarrow{\tau} E'_1}{E_1 ||E_2 \xrightarrow{\tau} E'_1||E_2} \frac{E_2 \xrightarrow{\tau} E'_2}{E_1 ||E_2 \xrightarrow{\tau} E_1 ||E_2} \frac{E_2 \xrightarrow{\tau} E'_2}{E_1 ||E_2 \xrightarrow{\tau} E_1 ||E'_2} \frac{E_2 \xrightarrow{\tau} E'_1}{E_1 ||E_2 \xrightarrow{a} \pi_1 E'_1 - E_2 \xrightarrow{a} \pi_2 E'_2} (a \neq \tau)$$

## Observation on traces

- A set of traces can be extracted from the process tree built by the semantics structure.
- Consider the observation as the sum of the low projection on such traces.
- Information on the projection of the high inputs from the trace can be deduced from these observations.
- Under repeated observation on traces, we can deduce probability distributions on the possible traces.

## Probabilistic Low Bi-simulation $\sim_L$

- an extension to the concept of bisimulation
- ▶ an equivalence relation on the set of processes *R* produced by the PLTS, such that, whenever

$$E_i \sim_L E_j$$

the following holds:

$$\forall S \in \mathcal{R} / \sim_L .E_i \stackrel{L}{\Longrightarrow}_{\mu} S \Leftrightarrow E_j \stackrel{L}{\Longrightarrow}_{\mu} S$$

where  $\mathcal{R}/\sim_L$  denotes the set of bisimilar classes of  $\mathcal{R}$  under  $\sim_L$  and  $E_i \stackrel{L}{\Longrightarrow}_{\mu} S$  if and only if  $\mu = \sum \{\mu' | E'_i \in S\}$  and  $E_i \stackrel{L}{\Longrightarrow}_{\mu'} E'_i$ .

# A Transformation on the Process Tree

## Interaction unit

Define a (high) interaction unit (step) as a subtree of the process tree whose

- root is labelled by a high input action
- includes every branch terminated by a high input action or  $\perp$ .

## Example process tree



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## Transformation trees on interaction units



Figure: Transformation tree on the first interaction step  $T_1$ 

we obtain two subtrees due to the two atomic actions  $?h_1$  and  $?h_2$  in  $?H_0$  as:

$$\begin{split} T_1^{(1)} &= (\frac{1}{2}!l_1.\bot + \frac{1}{2}!l_2.\bot) \to \frac{1}{3} \\ T_1^{(2)} &= (\frac{1}{3}!l_1.!h_1.\bot + \frac{1}{3}!l_2.\bot + \frac{1}{6}!l_3.!h_2.\bot + \frac{1}{6}!l_3.!h_3.\bot) \to \frac{2}{3} \end{split}$$

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## Transformation trees on interaction units



Figure: Transformation tree on the second interaction step  $T_2$ 

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## Transformation trees on interaction units

we obtain two subtrees due to the two atomic action  $h_1$  and  $h_2$  in  $H_1$  as:

$$T_{2}^{(1)} = \left(\frac{0.3}{6}?h_{1}.!l_{1}.!l_{3}.\bot + \frac{0.7}{6}?h_{1}.!l_{1}.!l_{4}.\bot + \frac{1}{6}?h_{1}.!l_{2}.\bot + \frac{2}{9}?h_{2}.!l_{1}.!h_{1}.\bot + \frac{2}{9}?h_{2}.!l_{2}.\bot + \frac{1}{9}?h_{2}.!l_{3}.!h_{2}.\bot + \frac{1}{9}?h_{2}.!l_{3}.!h_{3}.\bot\right)$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$$

$$T_{2}^{(2)} = \left(\frac{1}{6}?h_{1}.!l_{1}.!l_{5}.\bot + \frac{1}{6}?h_{1}.!l_{2}.\bot + \frac{2}{9}?h_{2}.!l_{1}.!h_{1}.\bot + \frac{2}{9}?h_{2}.!l_{3}.!h_{3}.\bot\right) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$$

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## Observation on the transformation tree

the observation due to the first interaction unit:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mathcal{O}(T_1^{(1)}) & = & (\frac{1}{2}!l_1 + \frac{1}{2}!l_2) \to \frac{1}{3} \\ \\ \mathcal{O}(T_1^{(2)}) & = & (\frac{1}{3}!l_1 + \frac{1}{3}!l_2 + \frac{1}{3}!l_3) \to \frac{2}{3} \end{array}$$

the observation due to the second interaction unit:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{O}(T_2^{(1)}) &= (\frac{0.3}{6}?h_1.!l_1.!l_3.\bot + \frac{0.7}{6}?h_1.!l_1.!l_4.\bot + \frac{1}{6}?h_1.!l_2.\bot + \frac{2}{9}?h_2.!l_1.\bot + \\ &\quad \frac{2}{9}?h_2.!l_2.\bot + \frac{2}{9}?h_2.!l_3.\bot) \to \frac{1}{2} \\ \mathcal{O}(T_2^{(2)}) &= (\frac{1}{6}?h_1.!l_1.!l_5.\bot + \frac{1}{6}?h_1.!l_2.\bot + \frac{2}{9}?h_2.!l_1.\bot + \frac{2}{9}?h_2.!l_2.\bot + \\ &\quad \frac{2}{9}?h_2.!l_3.\bot) \to \frac{1}{2} \end{split}$$

## Information Flow Measurement

#### Jensen-Shannon Divergence (JSD)

- Consider *m* distributions  $P^{(1)}, P^{(2)}, \ldots, P^{(m)}$ .
- ► The JSD between the *m* distributions P<sup>(1)</sup>,..., P<sup>(m)</sup> with weights w<sup>(1)</sup>,..., w<sup>(m)</sup> is given by

$$D_{\mathrm{JS}}(P^{(1)}, P^{(2)}, \dots, P^{(m)}) = \mathcal{H}(\sum_{j=1}^{m} w^{(j)} P^{(j)}) - \sum_{j=1}^{m} w^{(j)} \mathcal{H}(P^{(j)})$$

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# Information Flow Measurement

#### The Metric

For a set of processes  $f_1, \ldots, f_m \in \mathcal{R}, \ d_\mu(f_1, \ldots, f_m)$  is defined as:

$$d_{\mu}(f_1,\ldots,f_m) = \sqrt{\mathcal{H}(\sum_{j=1}^m w^{(j)} \mathcal{P}^{(j)}) - \sum_{j=1}^m w^{(j)} \mathcal{H}(\mathcal{P}^{(j)})}$$

#### Proposition 2.

For any processes  $f_1, \ldots, f_m \in \mathcal{R}$ ,  $d(f_1, \ldots, f_m)$ ,  $d(f_1, \ldots, f_m) = 0$ iff  $f_1 \sim_L \cdots \sim_L f_m$ .

## Build the metric spaces

Consider all the interaction units, we build a collection of metric spaces (∪ T<sub>i</sub>, ∪ d<sub>i</sub>), (i = 0, 1, ...):

$$T_0 = \{p_0\}, T_1 = : H_0 \prec T_0, \ldots, T_{n+1} = : H_n \prec T_n$$

• Clearly, for 
$$T_i^{(1)}, \ldots, T_i^{(m_i)} \in T_i$$
,

• if 
$$P_i^{(1)} = \cdots = P_i^{(m_i)}, \ d_i = 0;$$

► otherwise d<sub>i</sub> = √D<sub>JS</sub>(P<sup>(1)</sup><sub>i</sub>,...,P<sup>(m<sub>i</sub>)</sup><sub>i</sub>) is the metric between the distributions extracted from the subtree set due to the interaction step *i*.

## Definition of leakage

For each interaction unit started by

$$H_{i-1} = \{ P_{i-1,1} \to w_{i-1,1}, \dots, P_{i-1,m_{i-1}} \to w_{i-1,m_{i-1}} \}$$

we have built a metric space  $(T_i, d_i)_{i \ge 1}$ , where

$$d_i = \sqrt{D_{\rm JS}(P_i^{(1)},\ldots,P_i^{(m_{i-1})})}$$

• The leakage upper bound is defined as the square of the sum:

$$(\sum_{i=1}^n d_i)^2$$

Example



Figure: The example process tree

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Example



Figure: Transformation on the first interaction unit:  $T_1$ 

## Example

the observations:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{O}(P_0^{(1)}) &= & 0.4 \cdot l_1.l_3.\bot + 0.6 \cdot l_2.l_4.\bot \\ \mathcal{O}(P_0^{(2)}) &= & 0.5 \cdot l_1.l_3.\bot + 0.25 \cdot l_2.l_4.\bot + 0.25 \cdot l_2.l_3.\bot \\ \mathcal{O}(P_0^{(3)}) &= & l_1.l_3.\bot \\ \mathcal{O}(P_0^{(4)}) &= & 0.3 \cdot l_1.l_3.\bot + 0.7 \cdot l_2.l_4.\bot \end{split}$$

the metric:

$$d_{1} = \sqrt{\mathcal{H}(\sum_{i=1}^{4} w_{0}^{(i)} P_{0}^{(i)}) - \sum_{i=1}^{4} w_{0}^{(i)} \mathcal{H}(P_{0}^{(i)})}$$
  
=  $\mathcal{H}(0.47, 0.43, 0.1) - (0.2\mathcal{H}(0.4, 0.6) + 0.4\mathcal{H}(0.5, 0.25, 0.25) + 0.1 * 0 + 0.3\mathcal{H}(0.3, 0.7)) = 0.557$ 

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Example



Figure: Transformation on the second interaction:  $T_2$ 

## Example: quantity of the information flow

observations:

$$\mathcal{O}(P_1^{(2)}) = 0.056?h_1.l_1.l_3.l_5.l_6.\bot + 0.024?h_1.l_1.l_3.l_5.l_7.\bot \\ 0.12?h_1.l_2.l_4.\bot + 0.2?h_2.l_1.l_3.\bot + 0.1?h_2.l_2.l_4.\bot + 0.1?h_2.l_2.l_3.\bot \\ 0.1?h_3.l_1.l_3.\bot + 0.09?h_4.l_1.l_3 + 0.21?h_4.l_2.l_4$$

the metric:

$$d_2 = \sqrt{\mathcal{H}(\sum_{i=1}^2 w_1^{(i)} P_1^{(i)}) - \sum_{i=1}^2 w_1^{(i)} \mathcal{H}(P_1^{(i)})} = (\mathcal{H}(0.048, 0.032, 0.12, 0.2, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.09, 0.21) - 0.5\mathcal{H}(0.056, 0.024, 0.12, 0.2, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.09, 0.21))^{\frac{1}{2}} \doteq 0.049$$

The leakage upper bound:

$$\mathcal{L} \leq \left(d_1 + d_2\right)^2 \doteq 0.36$$

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- We present an automatic analysis for measuring information flow within software systems.
- We quantify leakage in terms of information theory and incorporate this computation into probabilistic semantics.
- An abstraction on the exact leakage analysis
- An approach for leakage analysis in reactive processes