

Static Analysis via Abstract Interpretation of the Happens-Before Memory Model

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- ▶ Multicore architectures
 - ▶ many parallel tasks
- ▶ More difficult than sequential programs [SUT05]
 - ▶ interleaving of the executions of different threads
 - ▶ implicit communications through the shared memory
 - ▶ specification of the memory model [LEE06]

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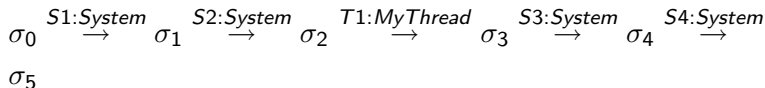
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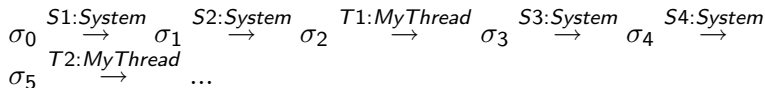
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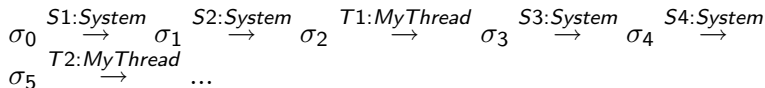
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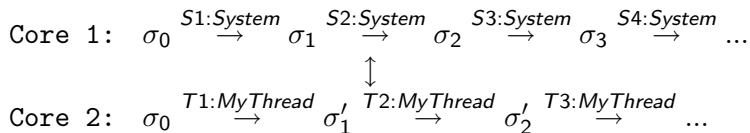
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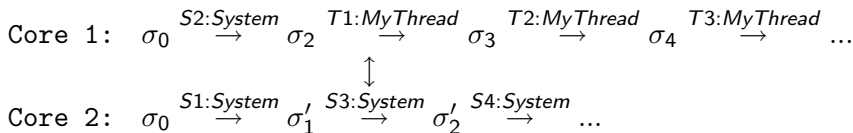
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 - ▶ i.e.: which values can be read from the shared memory

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- ▶ Two opposite needs:
 - ▶ restrict the non-deterministic behaviors
 - ▶ allow as many compiler optimizations as possible
- ▶ e.g. sequential consistency:
 - ▶ “...the result of any execution is the same as if the operations of all the processors were executed in some sequential order, and the operations of each individual processor appear in this sequence in the order specified by its program” [LAM79]
- ▶ too much restrictive in practice, it does not allow the most part of optimizations

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The Happens-Before Memory Model

- ▶ Program order:
 - ▶ intra-thread order of statements
- ▶ Synchronizes-with relation: involve two **synchronized** actions.
E.g. the acquisition and the release of a monitor
- ▶ Happens-before order [LAM78]: a_1 happens-before a_2 if
 - ▶ a_1 appears before a_2 in the program order
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 - ▶ you can reach a_2 by following happens-before edges starting from a_1

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 - ▶ If a behavior is allowed by the Java MM, it is allowed also by the happens-before MM

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- ▶ Other synchronizations... future work!

Our contribution

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- ▶ Based on the **abstract interpretation** theory

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► Ω : $\{\text{MyThread} \mapsto (\text{System}, S2), \text{System} \mapsto \perp_{\Omega}\}$

Intra-thread semantics

- ▶ *visible* function: return all the values written in parallel by other threads that may be seen following the HB memory model
- ▶ *step* function: defines a single step in the computation. Read from the shared memory one of the visible values \rightarrow nondeterministic choices

Definition (\mathbb{S}°)

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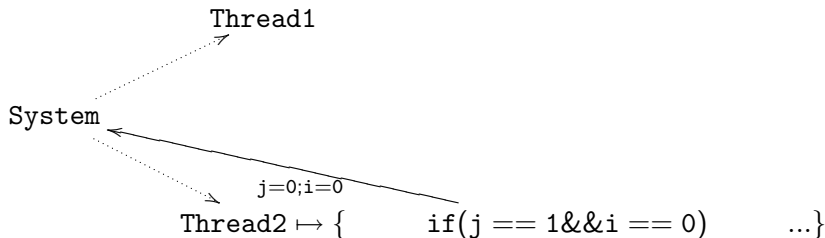
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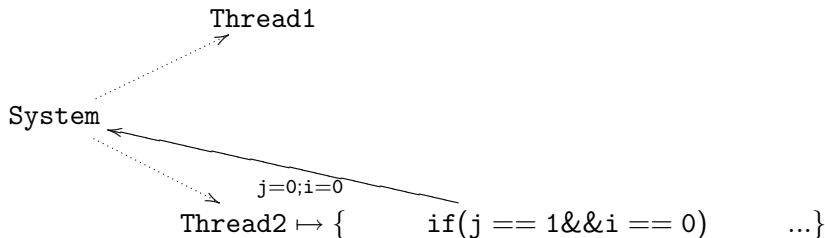
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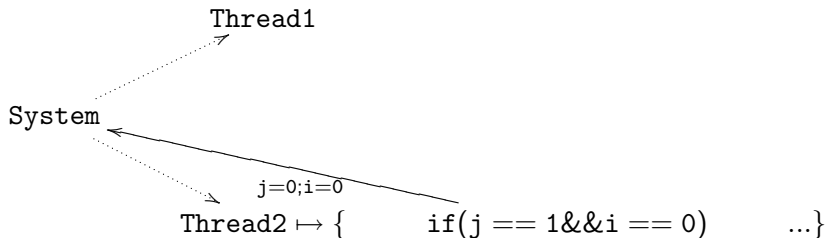


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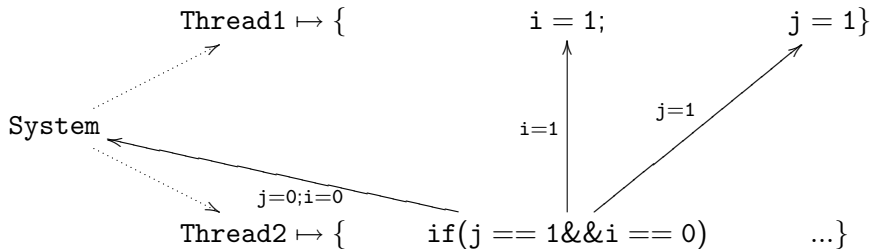
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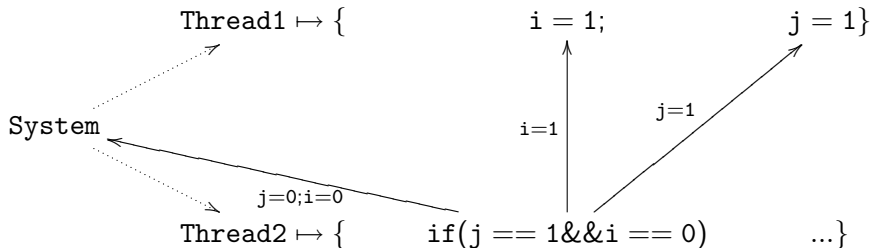
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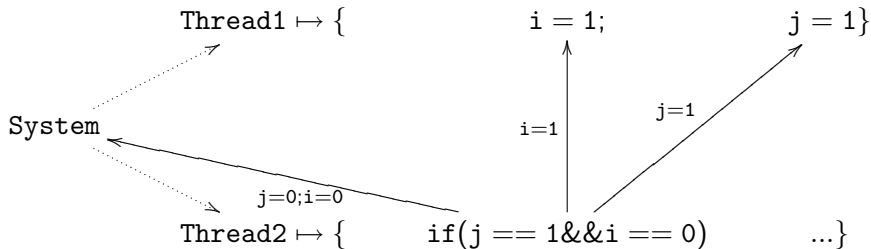
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Intra-thread semantics

- ▶ $visible^\#$ function: straight abstraction of the concrete one!
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Makes the upper bound between all the visible values \rightarrow deterministic choice!

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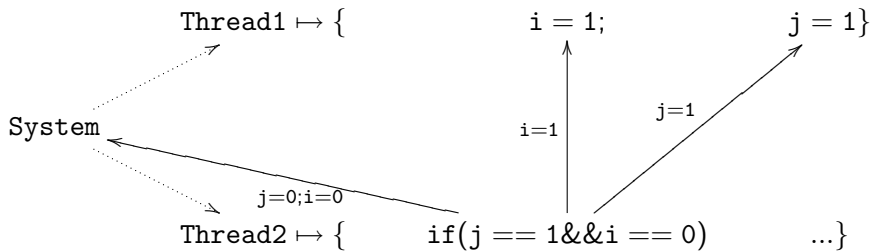
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We formally proved the correctness of our analysis, i.e. :

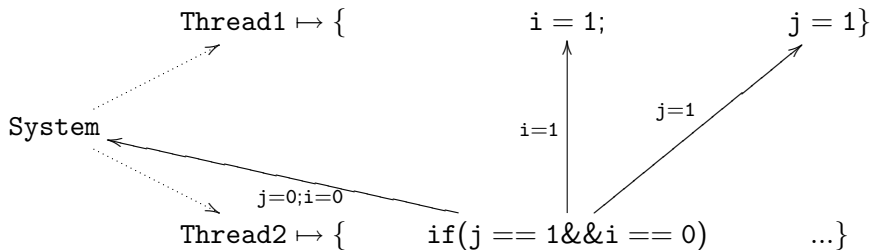
Theorem (Soundness of \bar{S}^{\parallel})

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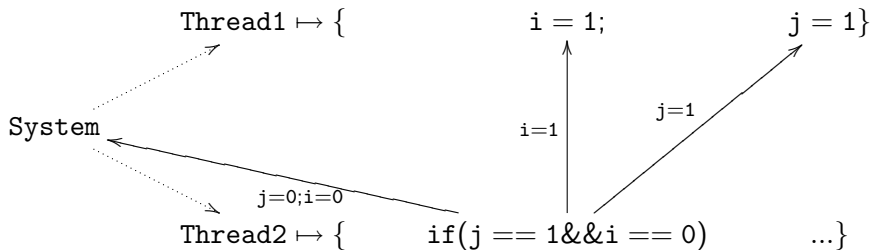


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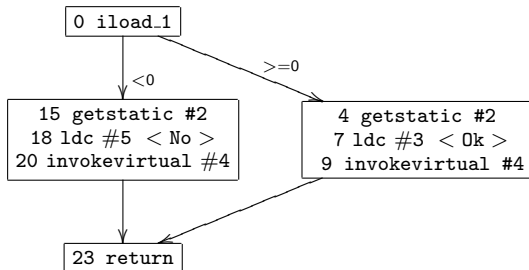
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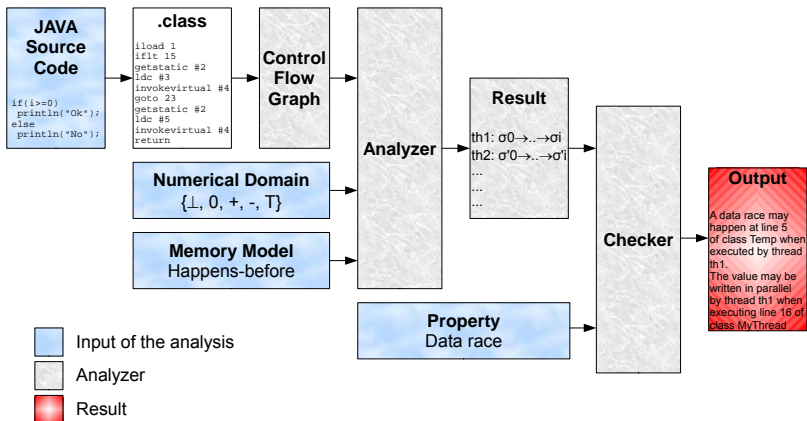
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Implementation

- ▶ We have implemented the analysis
 - ▶ analyze (a subset of) Java bytecode
 - ▶ developed in Java
- ▶ Tested on a set of 10 applications built ad hoc
- ▶ Executed on an AMD Athlon 64 3000+ processor with 2 GB of RAM running a GNU/Linux operating system with the Java virtual machine version 1.5.0
- ▶ The analysis has been executed 10 times on each application and we take the average on the times of execution

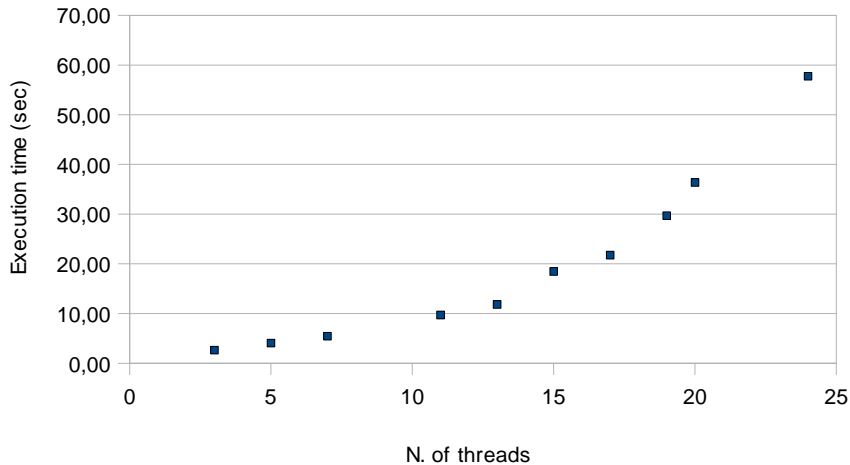
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|-------|-------|-------|----------|----------|----------|
| 1 | 3 | 424 | 2,63 | 2,58 | 2,51 |
| 2 | 5 | 637 | 4,06 | 4,03 | 3,81 |
| 3 | 7 | 751 | 5,44 | 5,32 | 4,99 |
| 4 | 11 | 977 | 9,70 | 9,41 | 8,53 |
| 5 | 13 | 1.097 | 11,83 | 11,83 | 10,26 |
| 6 | 15 | 1.310 | 18,47 | 17,14 | 15,77 |
| 7 | 17 | 1.422 | 21,75 | 21,11 | 18,22 |
| 8 | 19 | 1.635 | 29,70 | 28,30 | 24,67 |
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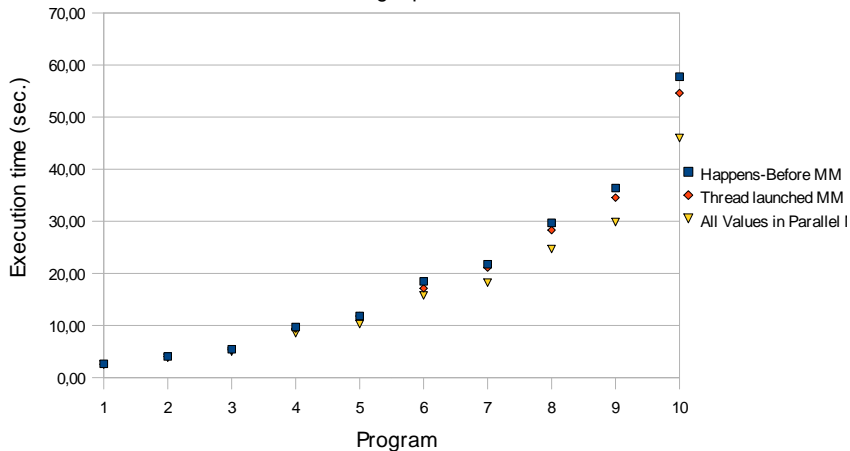
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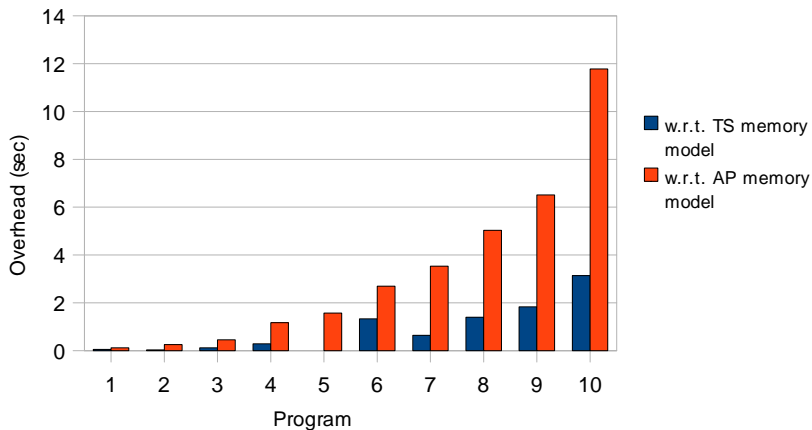


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- ▶ Many papers have been focused on the analysis of specific properties like data race condition [RIN01]. Usually these approaches suppose that the executions are sequentially consistent
- ▶ Other papers define memory models [MAN05,CEN07,SAR07] but they do not propose any static analysis
- ▶ Two model checkers [ROY02,HUY06] sound w.r.t. a memory model have been proposed in the last years. They are afflicted by the state explosion problem, and they seem not in position to scale up

Conclusion

- ▶ We formalize in fixpoint form the happens-before memory model
 - ▶ generic w.r.t. the programming language
 - ▶ supports mutual exclusion
- ▶ We abstract it
 - ▶ The main characteristic components of the memory model are straightly abstracted!
 - ▶ For the next memory model, define the concrete semantics and obtain the abstract one!
- ▶ We prove formally the soundness of our abstraction
- ▶ We implement it and the preliminary experimental results are quite encouraging
- ▶ As far as we know, it is the first static analysis sound w.r.t. the happens-before memory model

- ▶ Concrete and abstract semantics of the happens-before memory model: **P. Ferrara** "*Static analysis via abstract interpretation of the happens-before memory model*", in Springer, editor, Proceedings of the Second International Conference on Tests and Proofs (TAP 2008), volume 4966 of *Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, Prato, Italy, April 9-11, 2008
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Definition (*visible* function)

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$visible(t, l, S, f, (t', i')) =$

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(2) $\{v : v \in project(l, f(t''), S) : t'' \in dom(f) \setminus \{t, t'\}\}$

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$suffix : St^{\vec{\tau}} \times Integer \mapsto St^{\vec{\tau}}$

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Definition (*step*[#] function)

$$\text{step}^\# : \overline{TId} \times \overline{\Psi} \times \overline{\Omega} \mapsto \overline{St}$$

$$\text{step}^\# (\bar{t}, \bar{f}, \bar{s}) = \sigma \text{ where } \bar{f}(\bar{t}) = \bar{\sigma}_0 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \bar{\sigma}_i \text{ and}$$

$$\bar{\sigma}_i \xrightarrow{\circ}^\# \bar{\sigma} \quad \text{if } \pi_1(\text{action}^\#(\bar{\sigma}_i)) \neq \mathbf{r}$$

$$\bar{\sigma}'_i \xrightarrow{\circ}^\# \bar{\sigma} : \quad \text{if } \pi_1(\text{action}^\#(\bar{\sigma}_i)) = \mathbf{r}$$

$$\bar{V} = \text{visible}^\#(\bar{t}, \pi_2(\text{action}^\#(\bar{\sigma}_i)), \text{synchronised}^\#(\bar{\sigma}_i), \bar{f}, \bar{s}(\bar{t}))$$

$$\bar{v} = \bigsqcup_{\bar{v}' \in \bar{V}} \bar{v}'$$

$$\bar{\text{sh}} = \text{shared}^\#(\bar{\sigma}_i), \bar{\text{sh}}' = \text{sh}[\bar{l} \mapsto \bar{v} \sqcup_{\text{Val}} \bar{\text{sh}}(\bar{l})]$$

$$\bar{\sigma}'_i = \text{set_shared}^\#(\bar{\sigma}, \bar{\text{sh}}')$$

Definition (*visible*[#] function)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{visible}^\# &: \overline{TId} \times \overline{Loc} \times \wp(\overline{Sync}) \times \overline{\Psi} \times (\overline{TId} \times \text{Integer}) \mapsto \wp(\overline{Val}) \\ \text{visible}^\# &(\bar{t}, \bar{l}, \bar{S}, \bar{f}, (\bar{t}', i')) = \\ &= \text{project}^\#(\bar{l}, \text{suffix}^\#(\bar{f}(\bar{t}'), i'), \bar{S}) \cup \\ &\{\bar{v} : \bar{v} \in \text{project}^\#(\bar{l}, \bar{f}(\bar{t}''), \bar{S}) : \bar{t}'' \in \text{dom}(\bar{f}) \setminus \{\bar{t}, \bar{t}'\}\} \end{aligned}$$

Definition (*suffix*[#] function)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{suffix}^\# &: \overline{St}^{\vec{\tau}} \times \text{Integer} \mapsto \overline{St}^{\vec{\tau}} \\ \text{suffix}^\# (\bar{\sigma}_0 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \bar{\sigma}_j, i) &= \begin{cases} \bar{\sigma}_i \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \bar{\sigma}_j & \text{if } i \geq 0 \wedge i < j \\ \bar{\epsilon} & \text{if } i = j \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Definition (*project*[#] function)

$$\text{project}^\# : \overline{Loc} \times \overline{St}^{\vec{\dagger}} \times \wp(\overline{Sync}) \mapsto \wp(\overline{Val})$$

$$\text{project}^\#(\bar{l}, \bar{\sigma}_0 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \bar{\sigma}_i, \bar{S}) = \{\bar{v} : \exists j \in [0..i] :$$

$$\text{action}^\#(\bar{\sigma}_j) = (\bar{w}, \bar{l}, \bar{v}) \wedge \text{not_synchronised}^\#(\bar{\sigma}_j \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \bar{\sigma}_i, \bar{S})\}$$

Definition (*not_synchronised*[#] function)

$not_synchronised^\# : \overline{St}^\dagger \times \wp(\overline{Sync}) \mapsto \{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$

$not_synchronised^\#(\overline{\sigma}_0 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \overline{\sigma}_i, \overline{S}) = \text{true}$ if and only if

$\overline{S} \cap synchronised^\#(\overline{\sigma}_0) = \emptyset \vee$

$\nexists \overline{\sigma}_j \in cut^\#(\overline{\sigma}_0 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \overline{\sigma}_i, \overline{S}) :$

$action^\#(\overline{\sigma}_{j-1}) = (\mathbf{w}, \overline{l}, \overline{v}), action^\#(\overline{\sigma}_0) = (\mathbf{w}, \overline{l}_0, \overline{v}_0), \overline{l} = \overline{l}_0$

Definition ($cut^\#$ function)

$$\begin{aligned} cut^\# : \overline{St}^{\vec{\tau}} \times \wp(\overline{Sync}) &\mapsto \overline{St}^{\vec{\tau}} \\ cut^\#(\overline{\sigma}_0 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \overline{\sigma}_i, \overline{S}) &= \\ &= \begin{cases} \epsilon & \text{if } \text{synchronised}^\#(\overline{\sigma}_0) \cap \overline{S} = \emptyset \\ \overline{\sigma}_0 \rightarrow cut^\#(\overline{\sigma}_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \overline{\sigma}_i, \overline{S}) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$