

On Compositional Information Flow Aware Refinement



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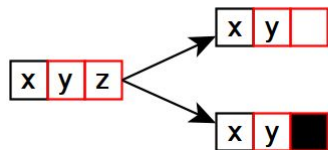
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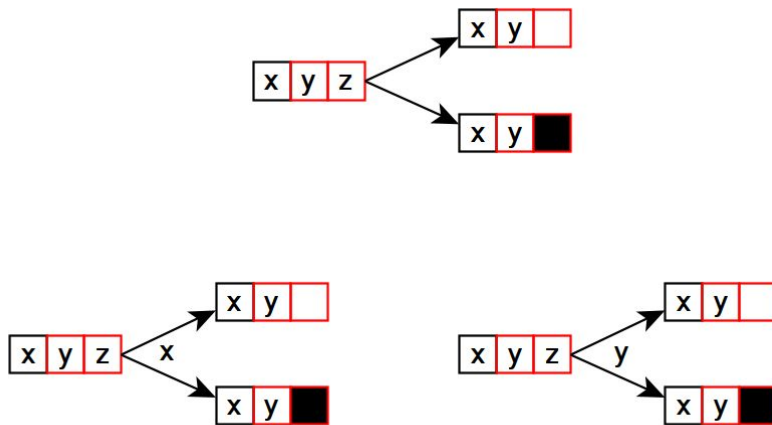
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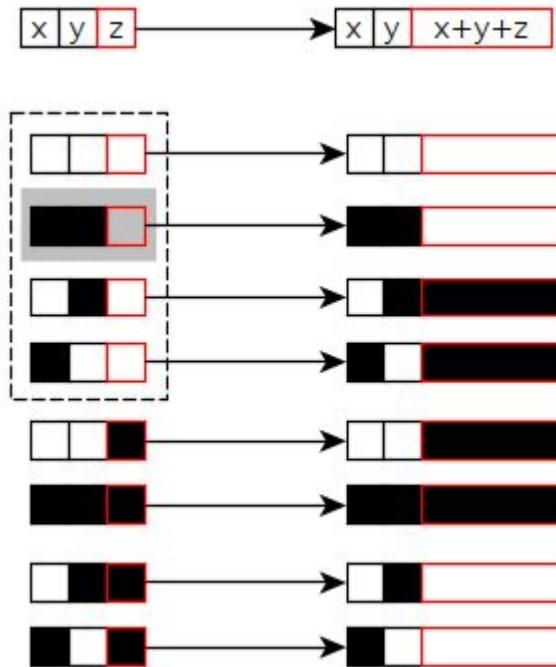
\Downarrow is a simulation that

- can reduce non-determinism
- can add new variable that introduce discriminating power (e.g. cache state, time)



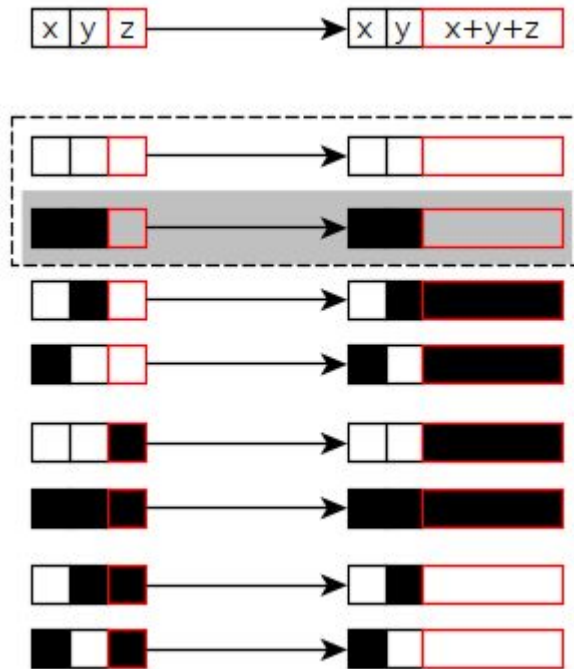
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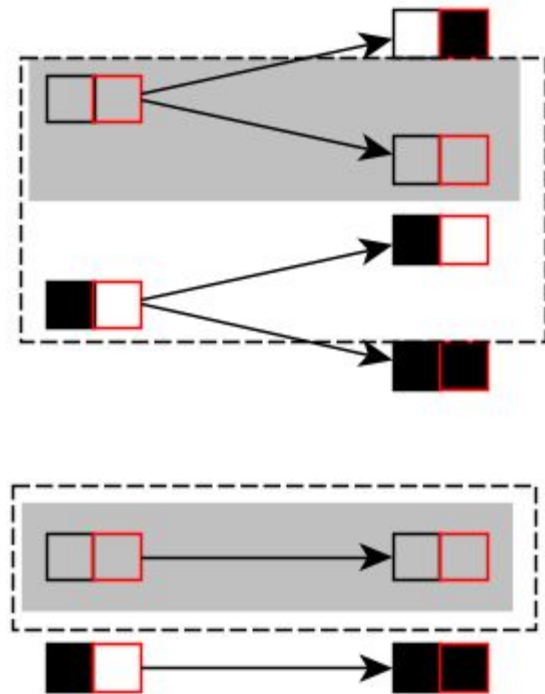
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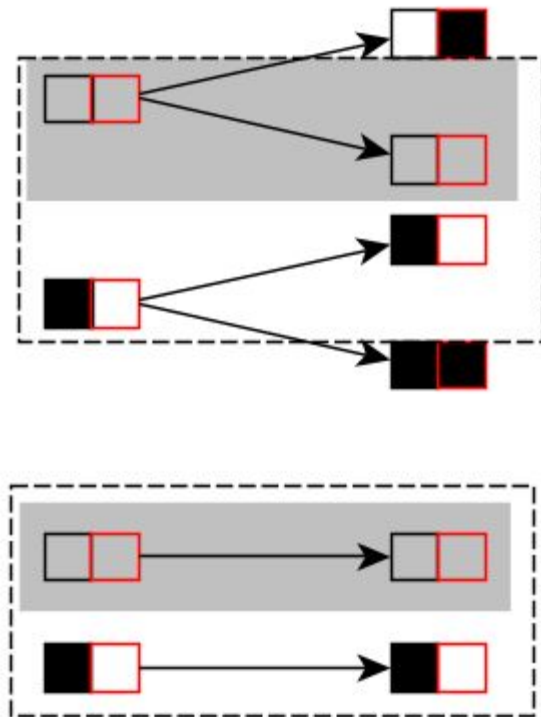
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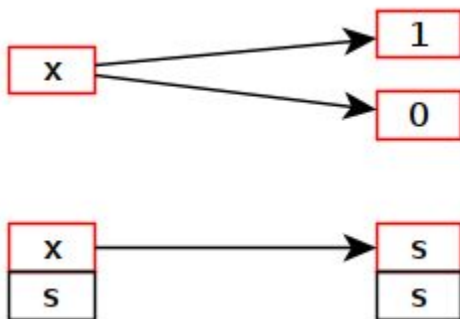
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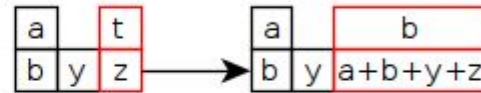
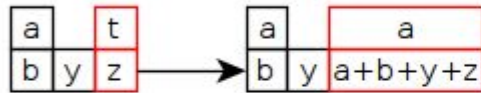
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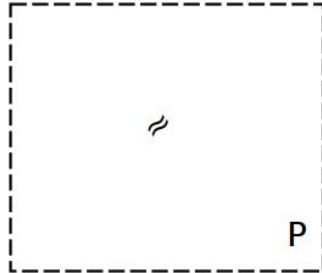
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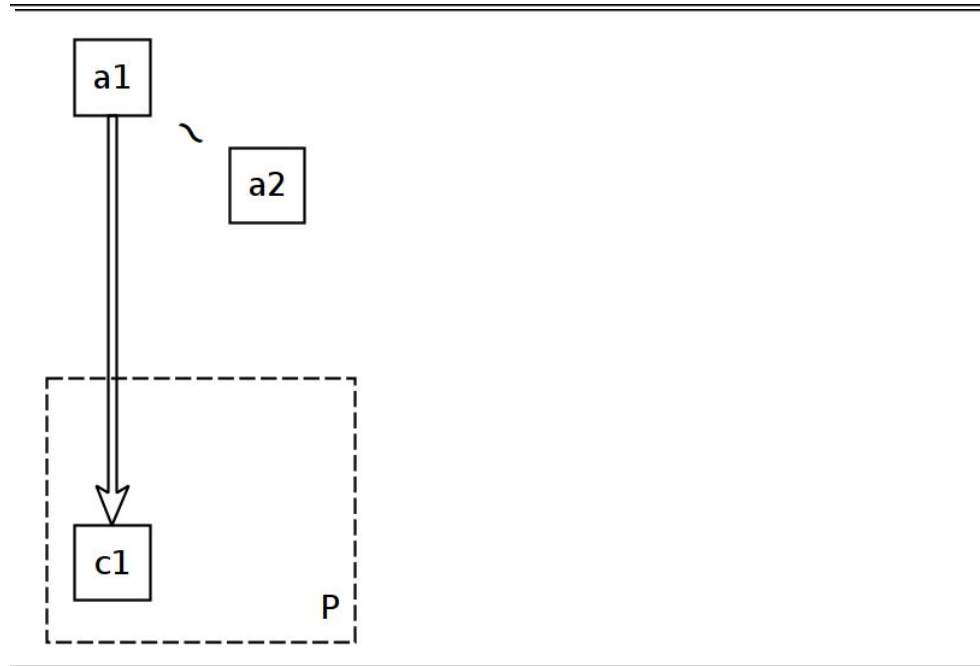
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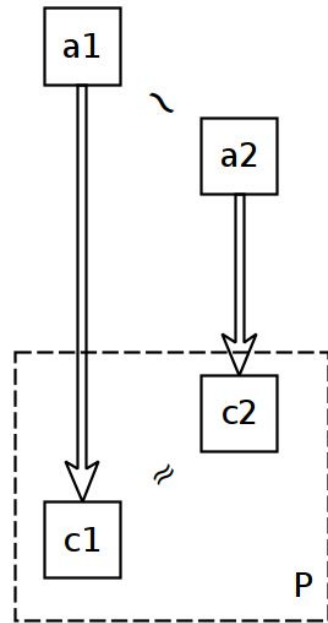
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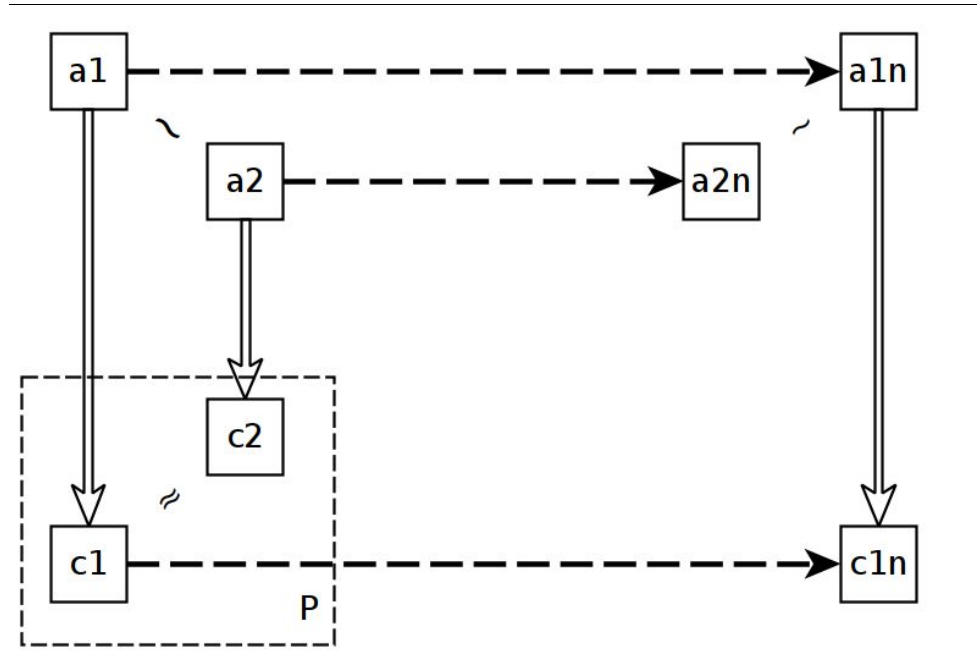
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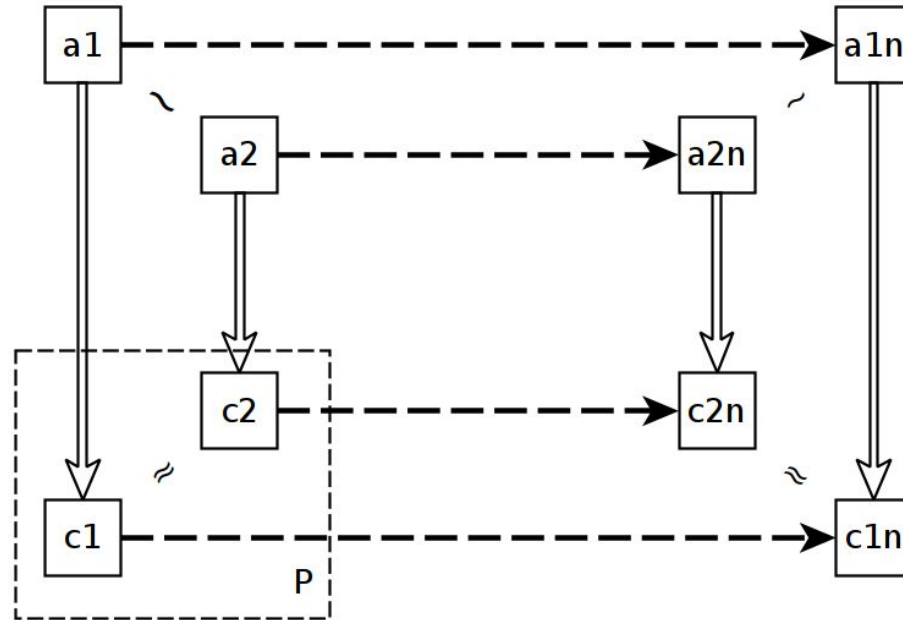
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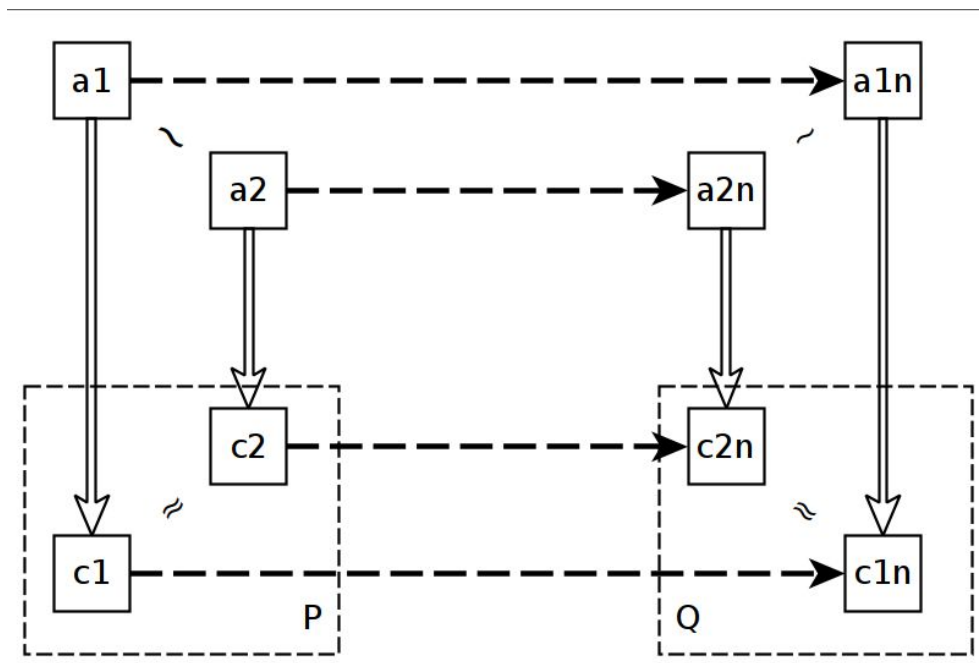
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If $\{P\} \Downarrow_1 \{Q\}$ and $\{Q\} \Downarrow_2 \{R\}$ are relational refinements then

$\{P\} \Downarrow_1 : \Downarrow_2 \{R\}$ is a relational refinement

In the paper

- Two example applications:
 - SMC addition
 - Oblivious RAM
- Vertical composition
- Related work