

Introduction to the seL4 proofs

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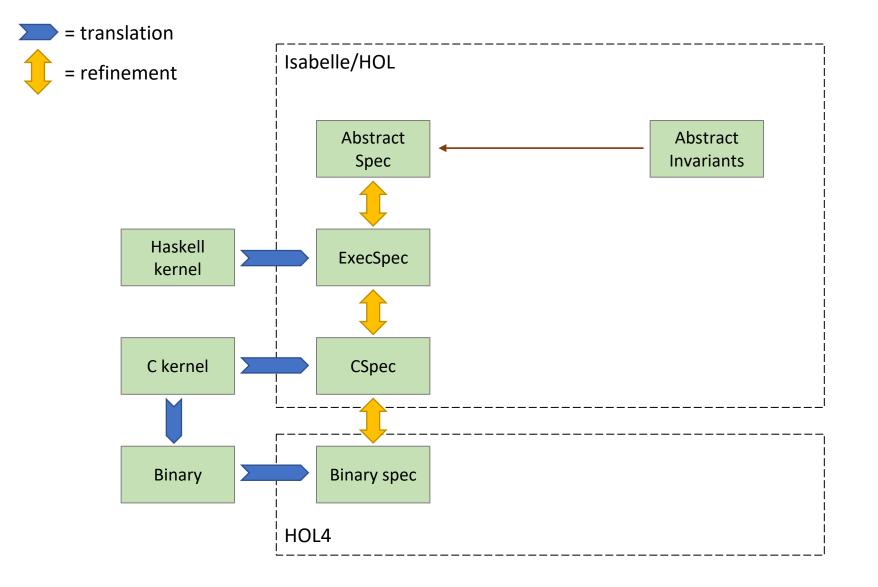
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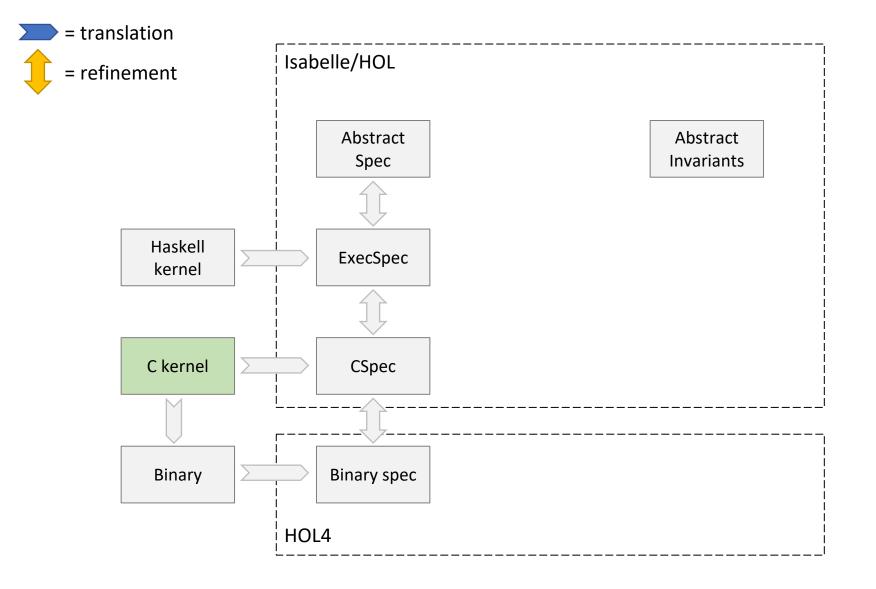
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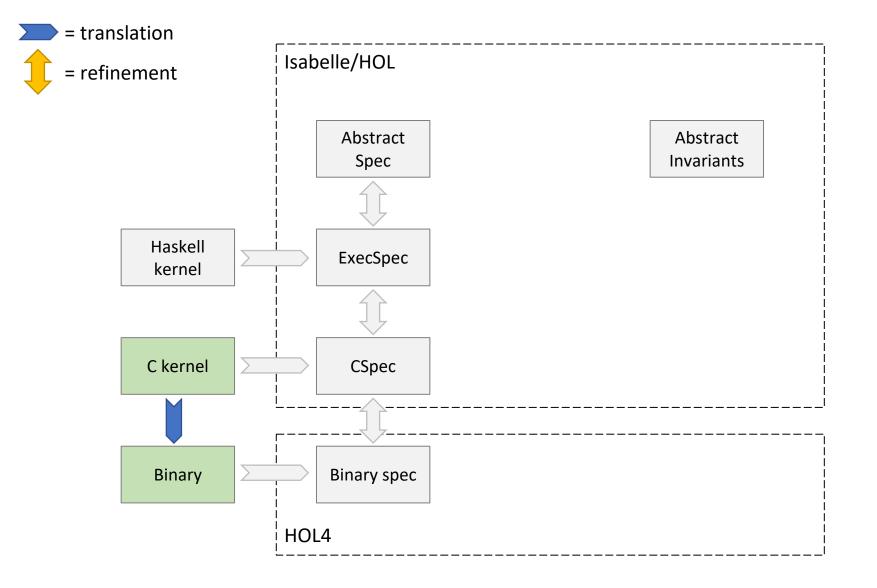
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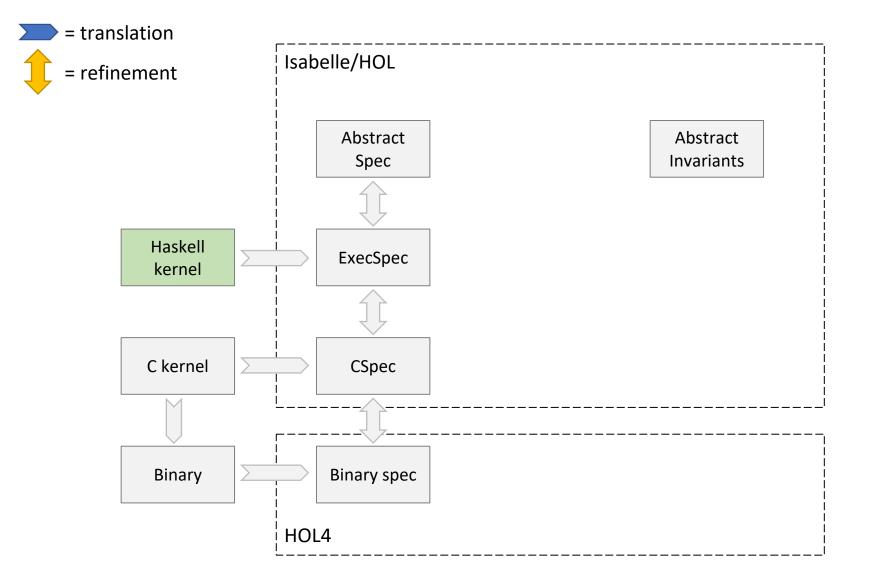
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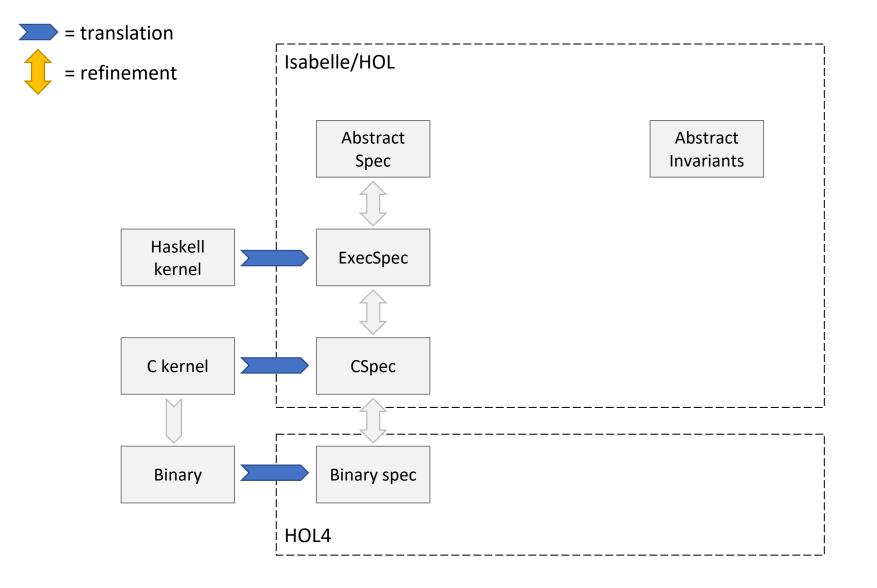
- What are the proofs, and what do they mean?
- Where do I look for them, and how do I read them?
- How do they actually provide strong assurances?

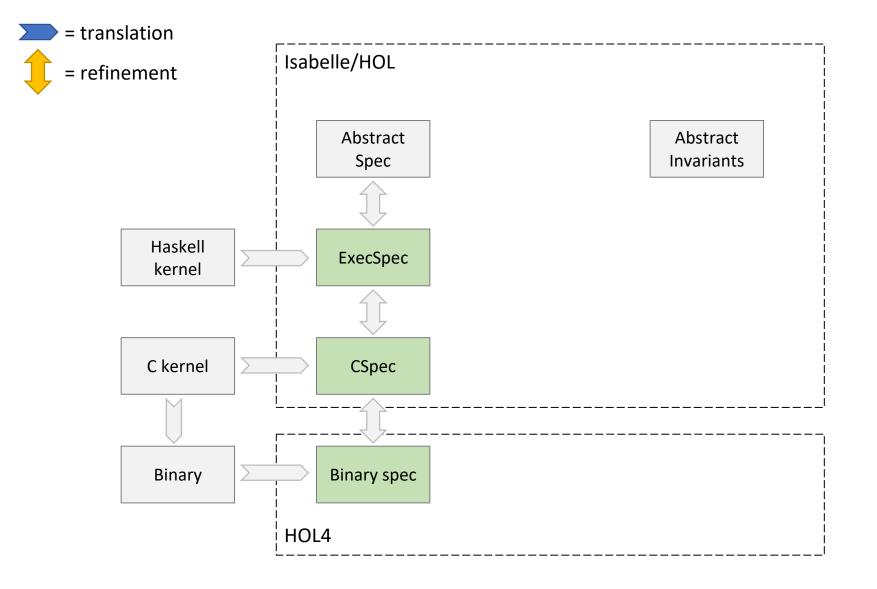


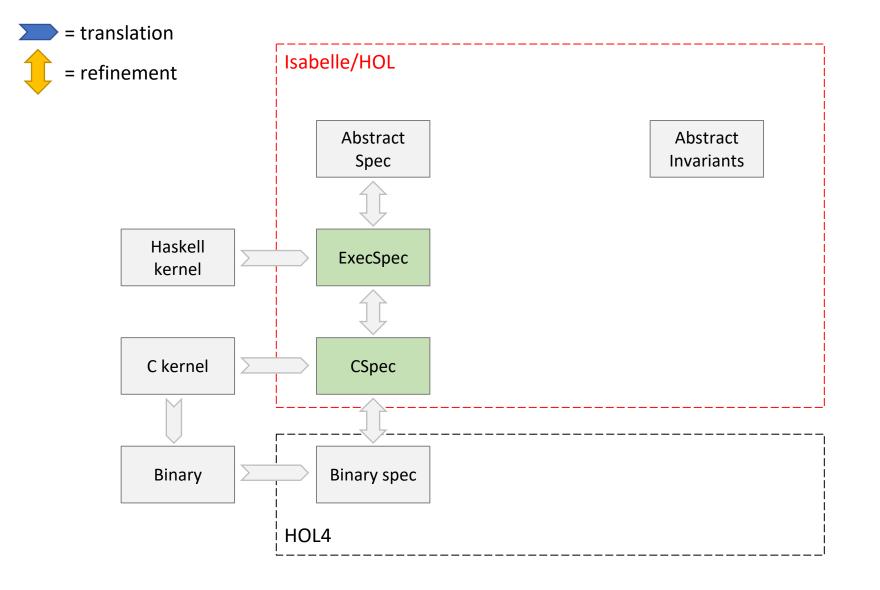


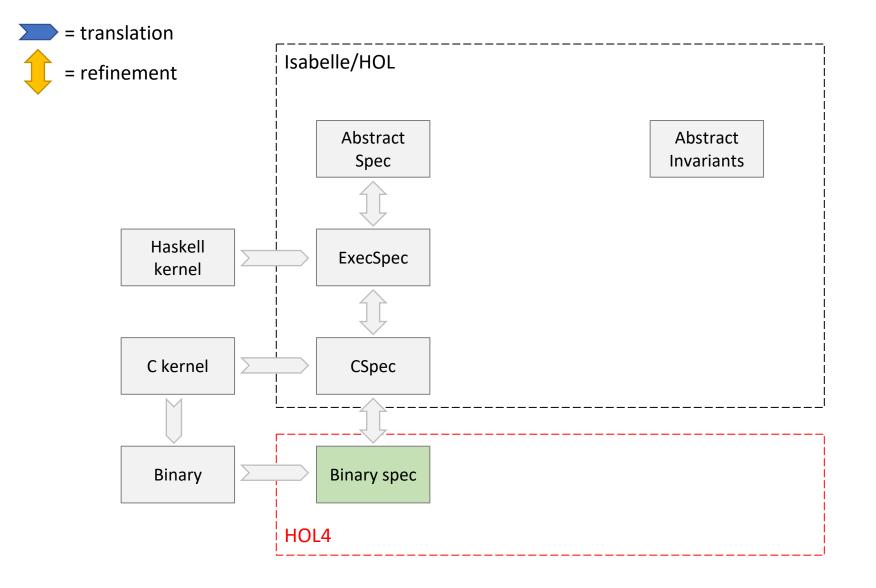


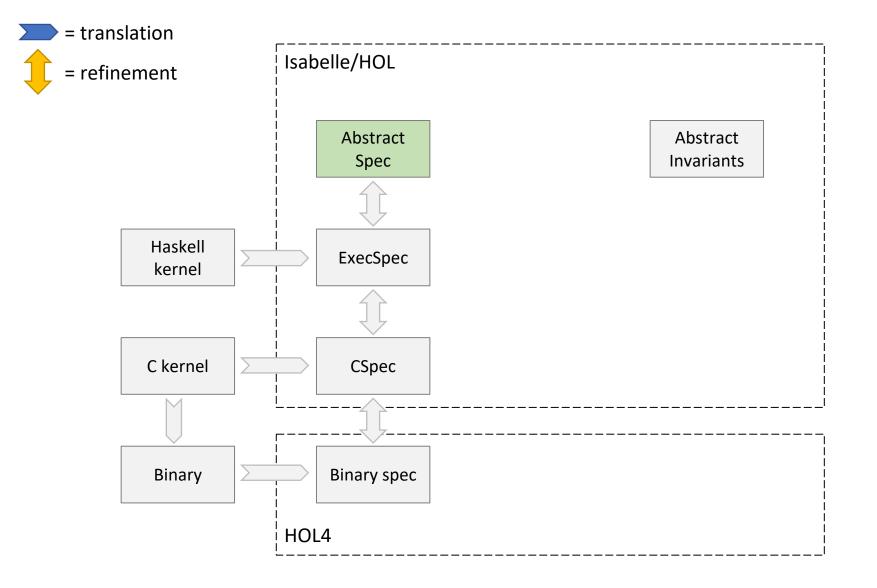


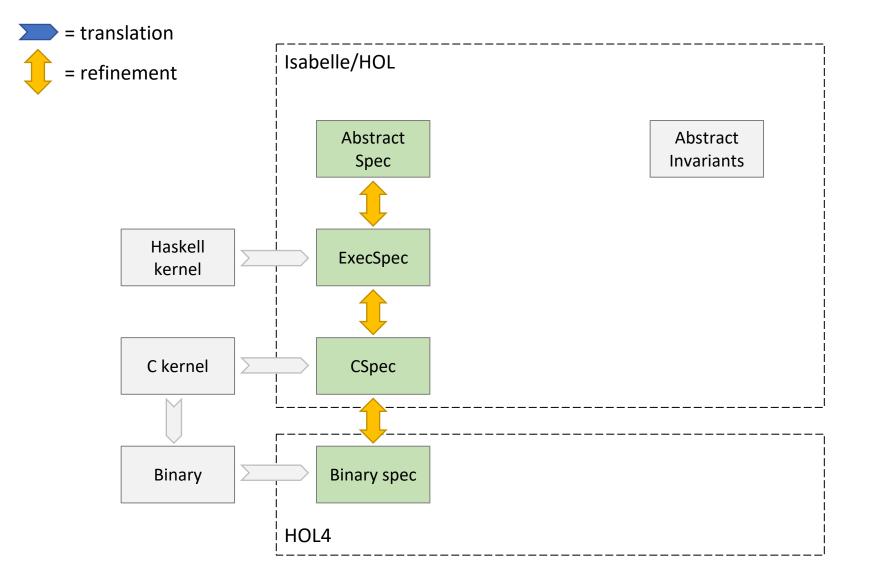


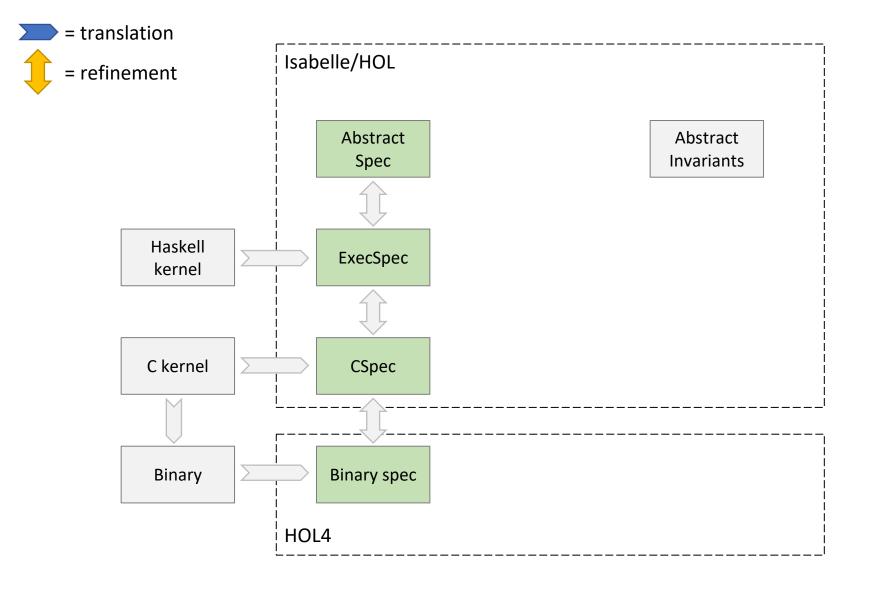


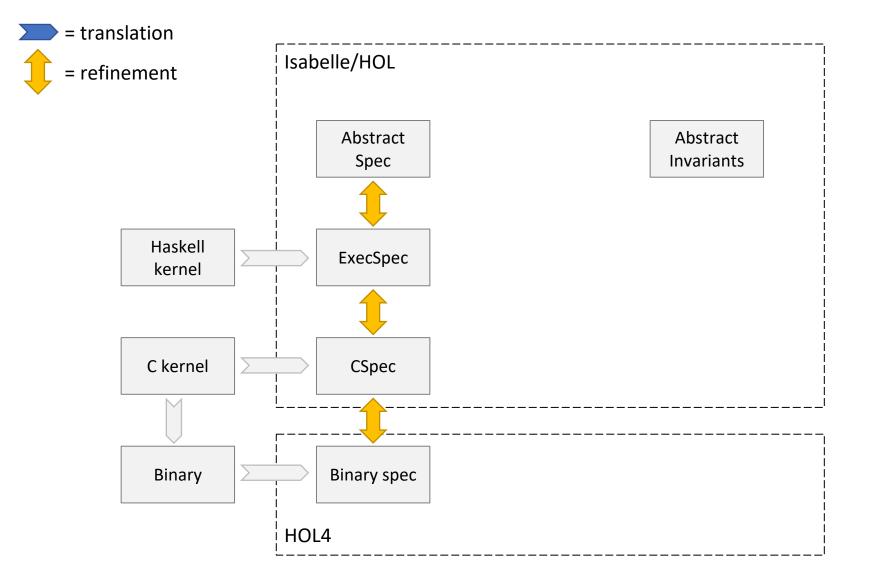


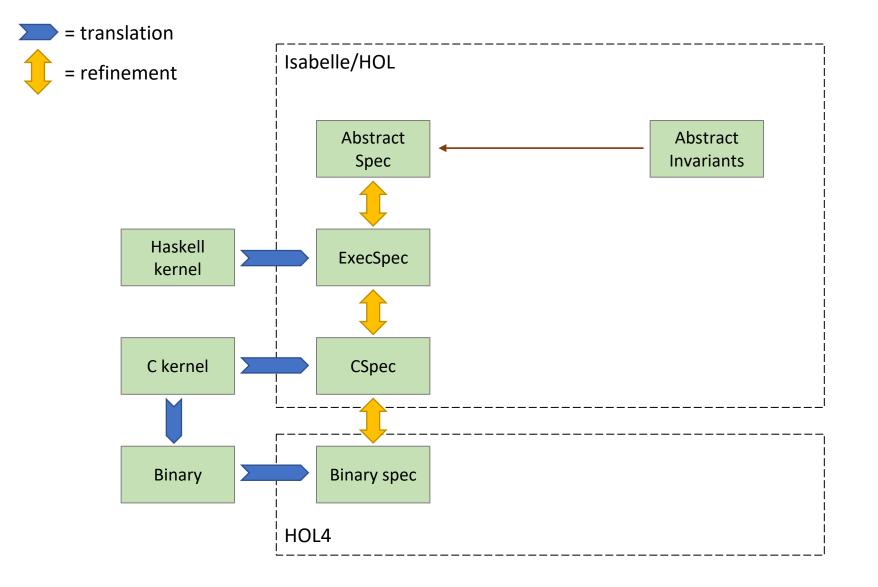


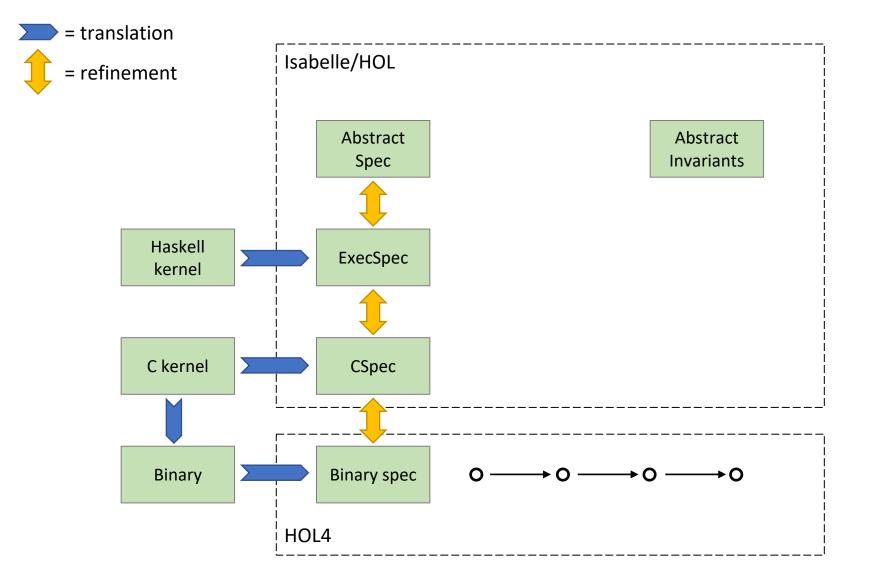


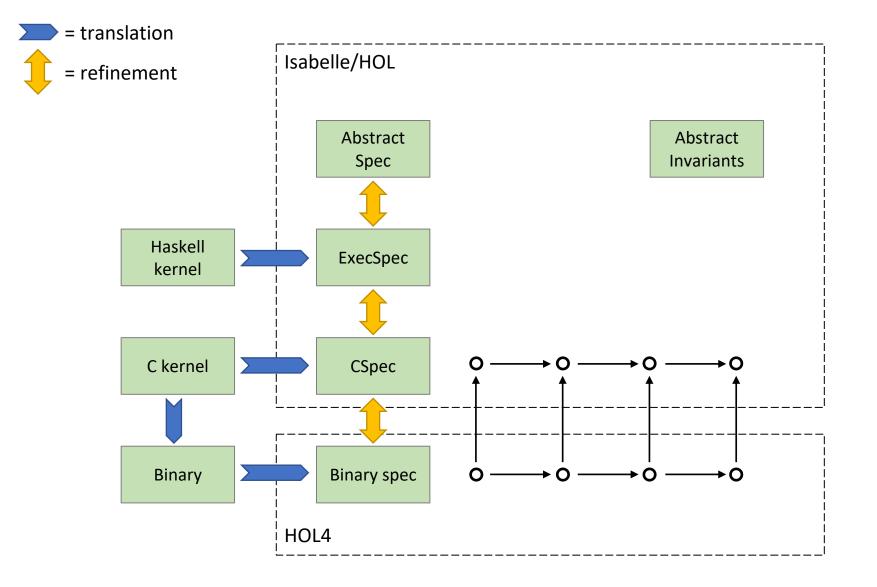


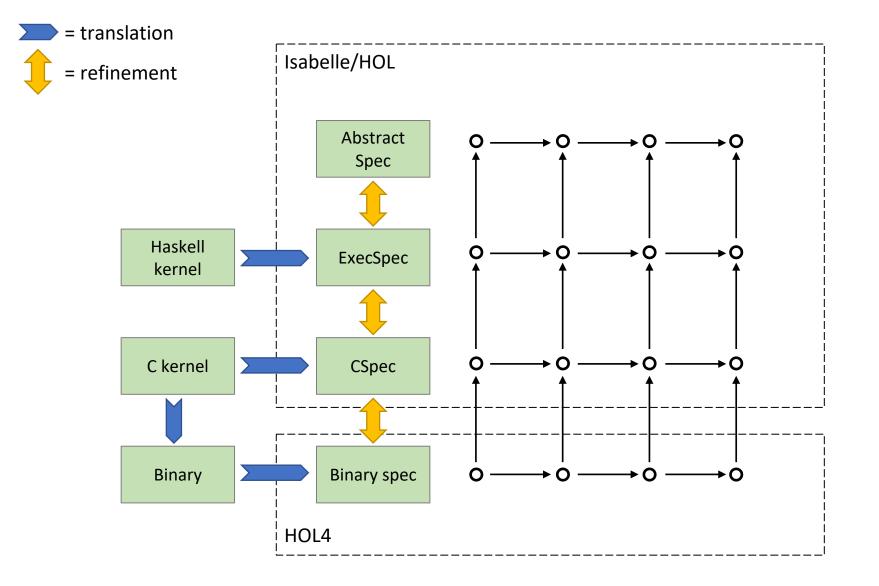


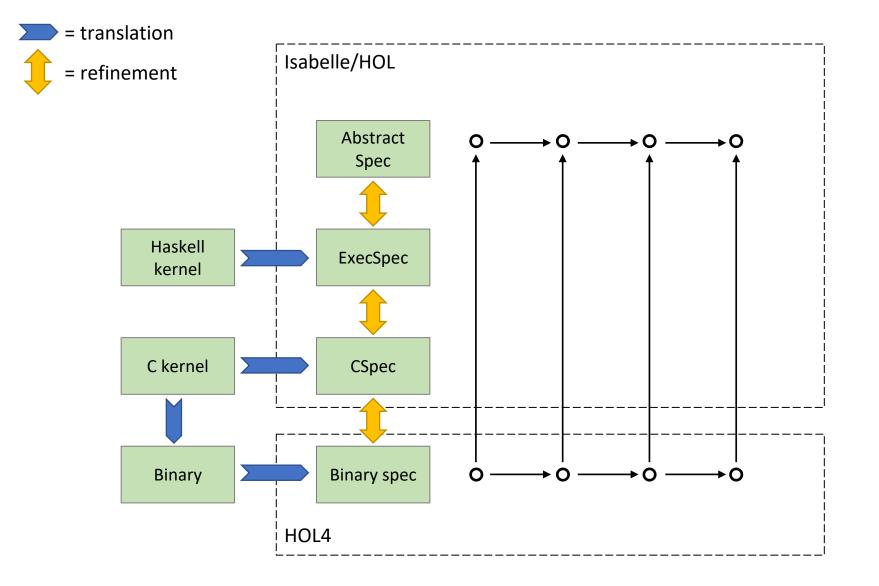


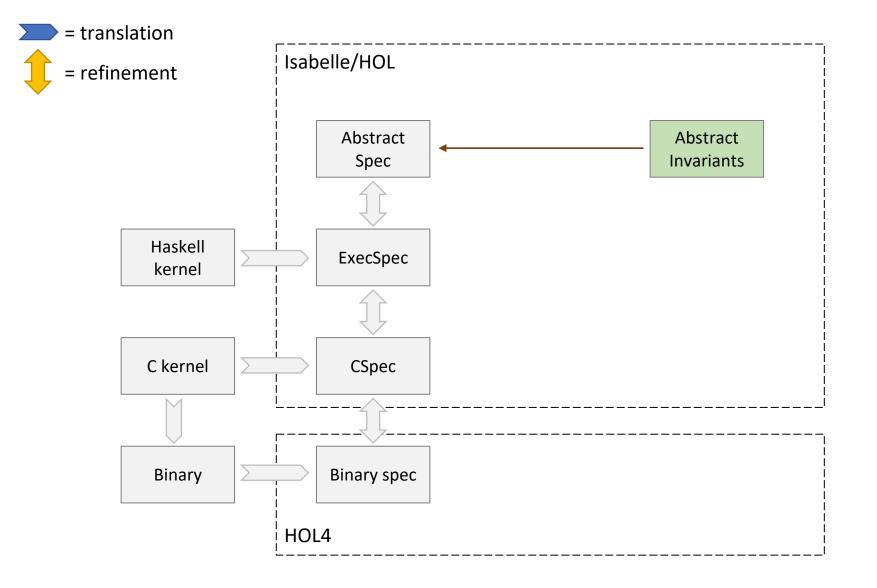


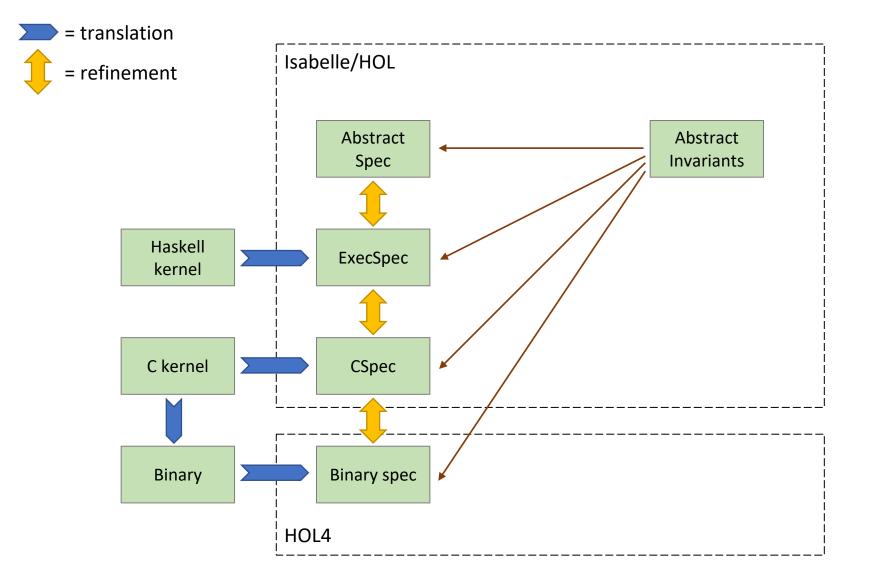






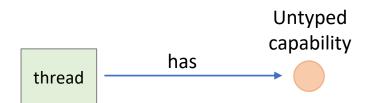


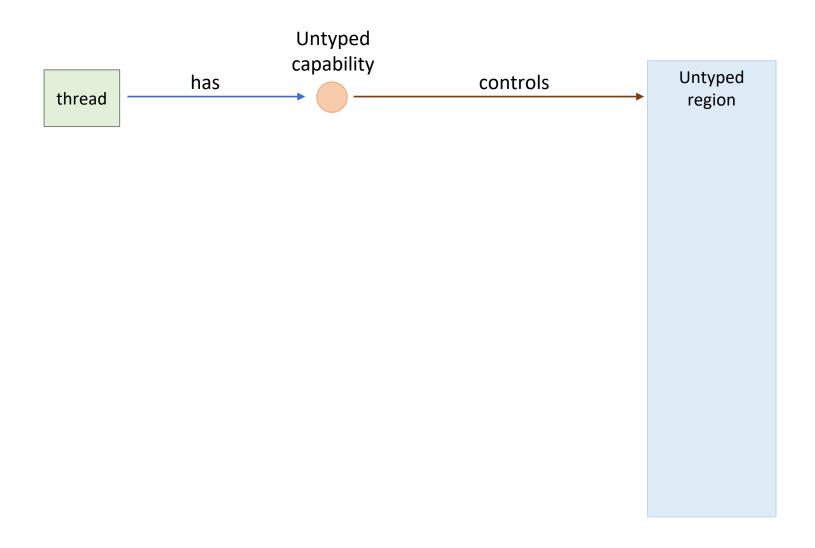


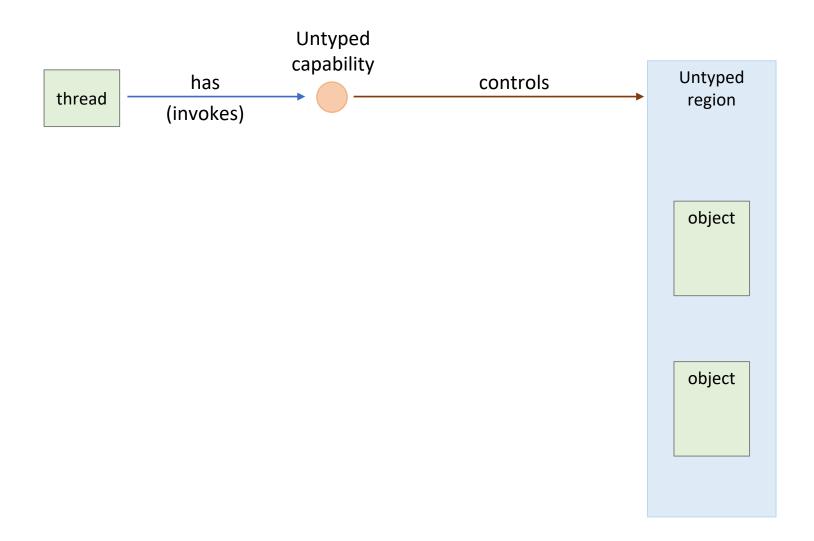


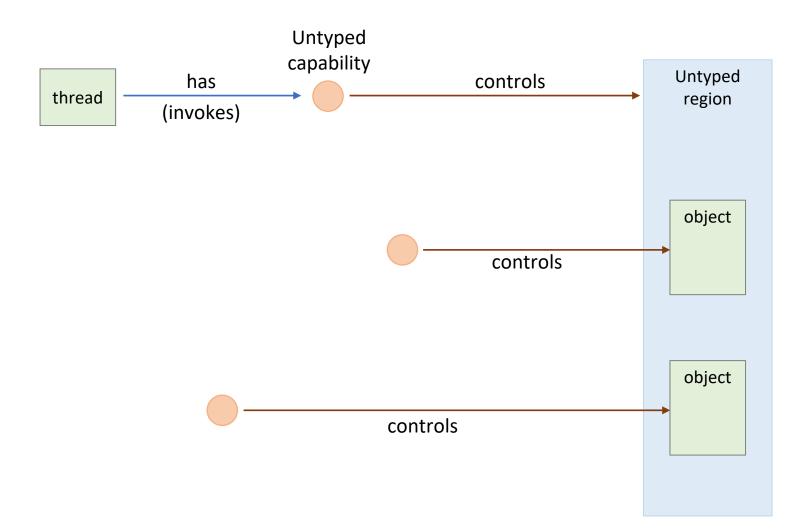
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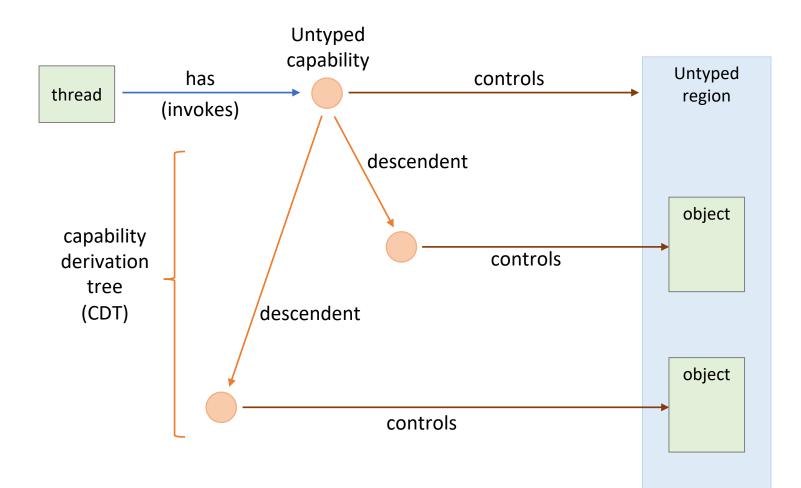
- Introduction to Isabelle/HOL
- Introduction to specifications and Hoare triples
- Abstract specification
- Invariants

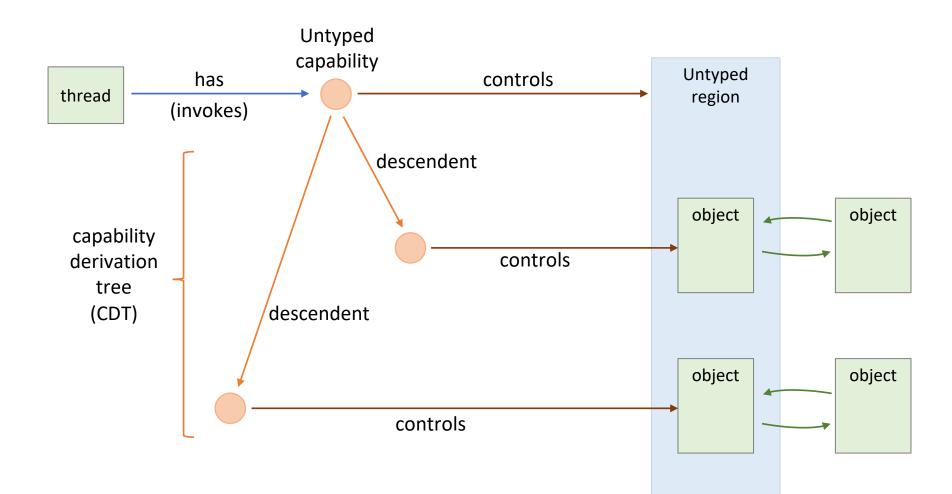


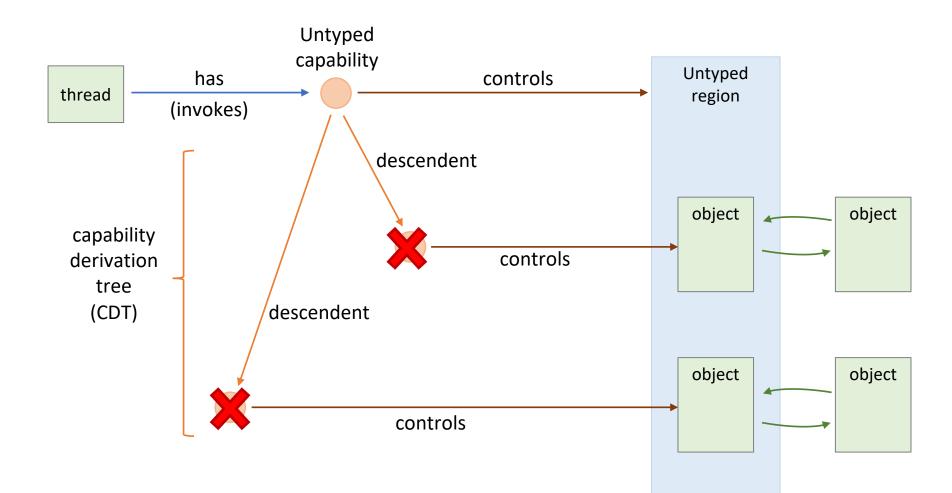


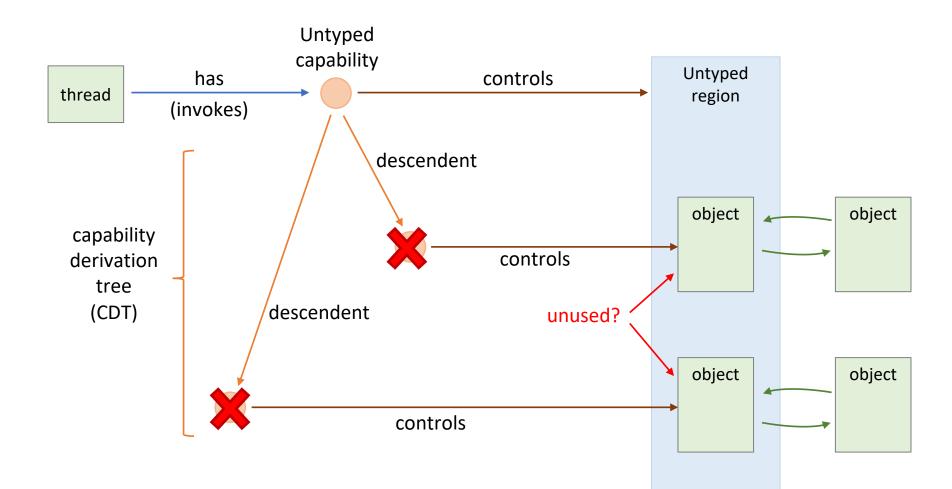


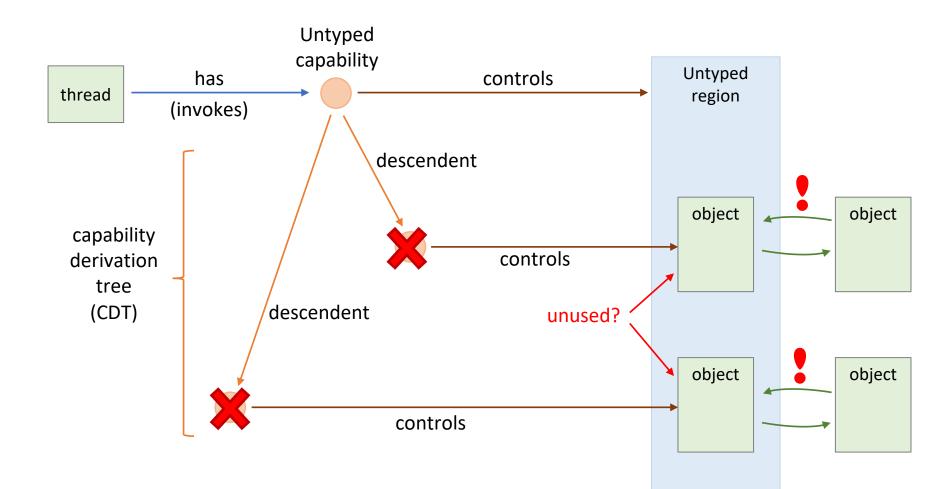


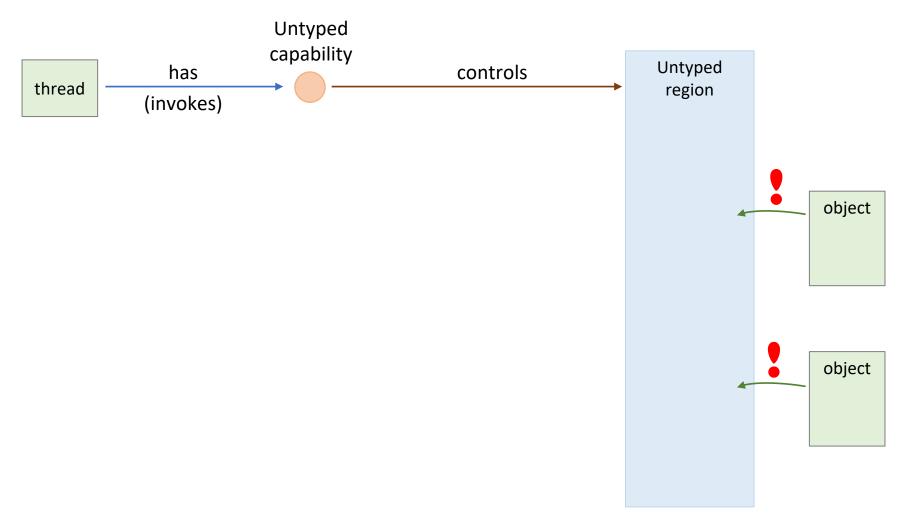


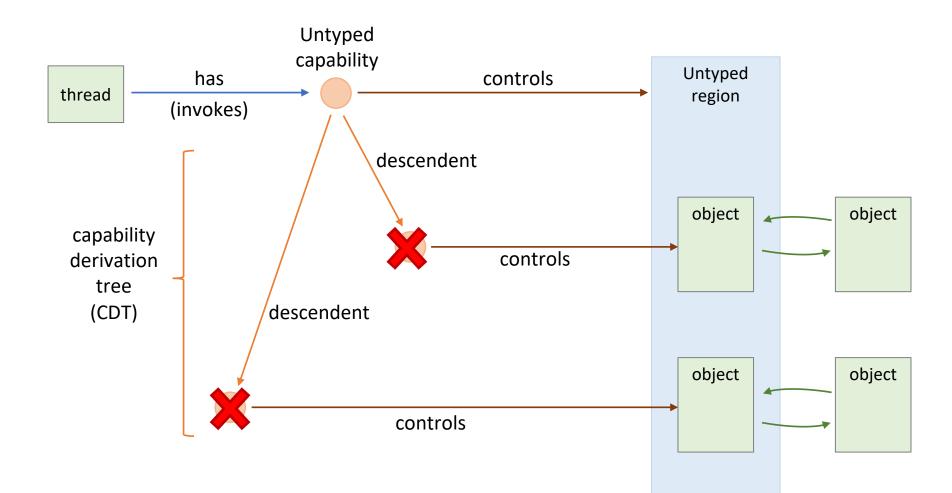


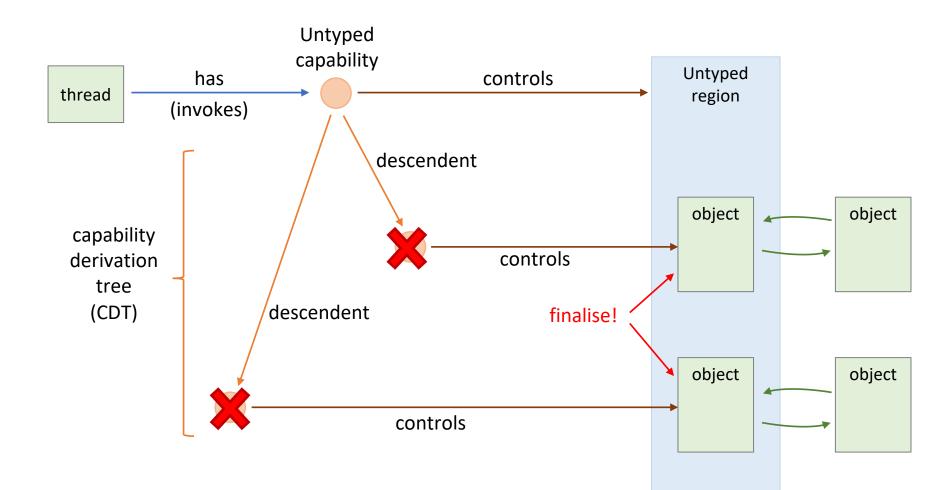


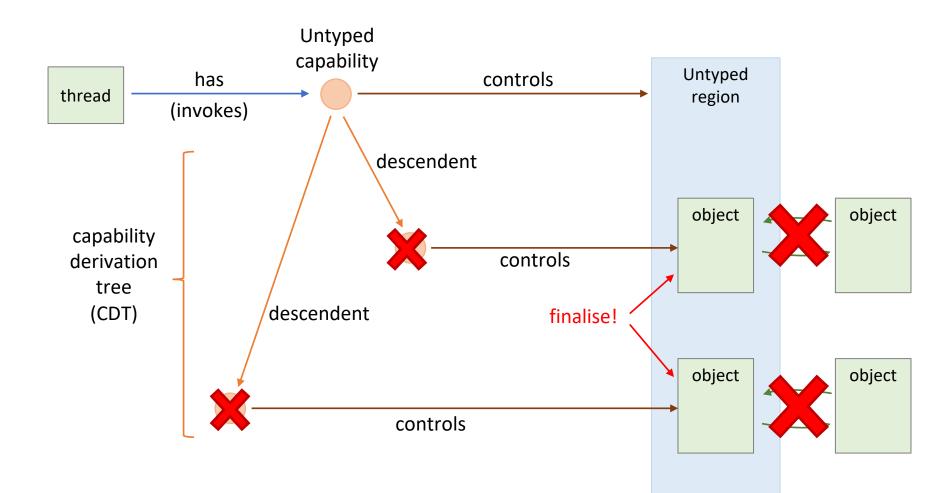


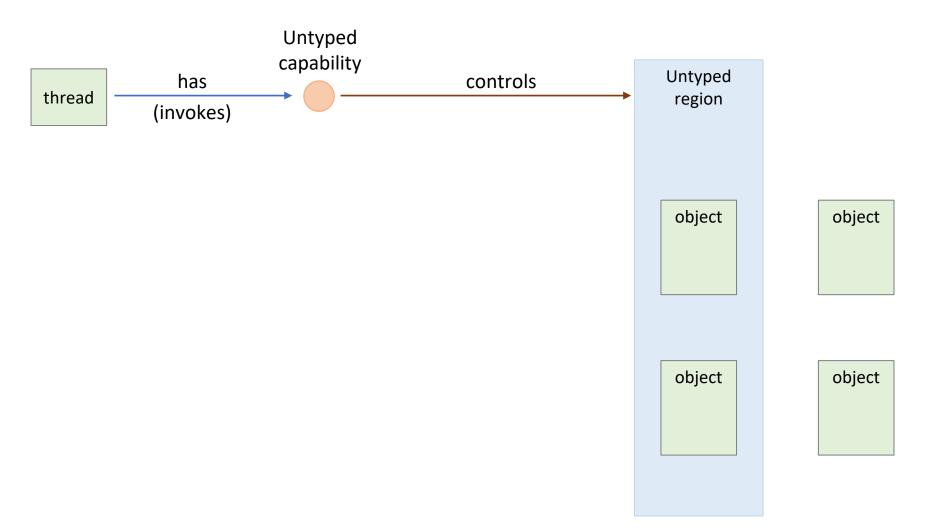


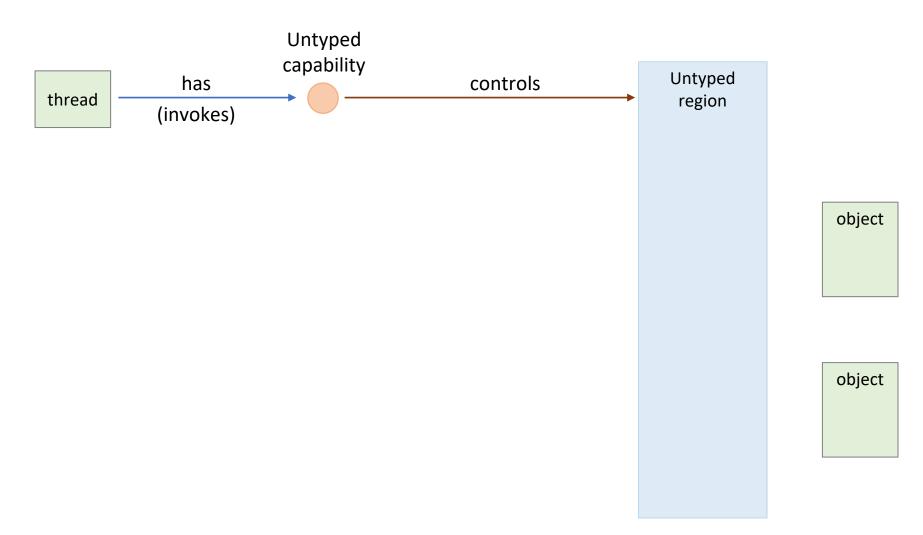


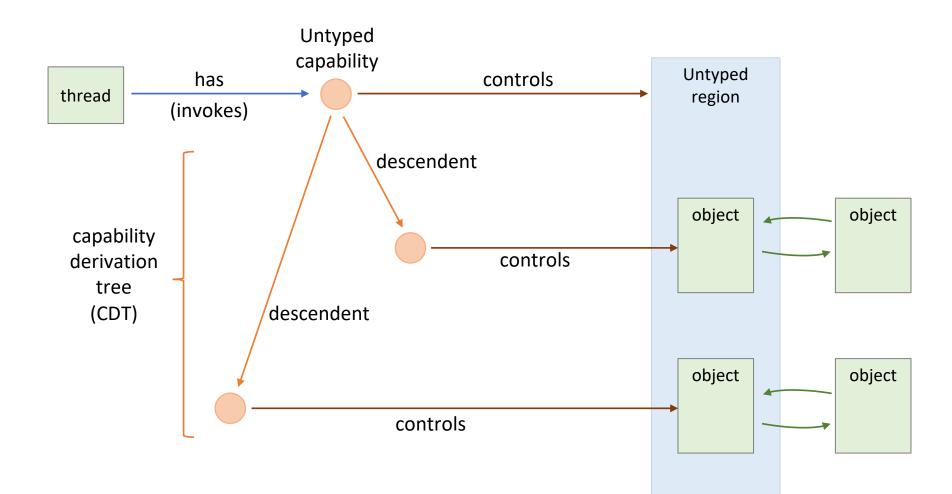


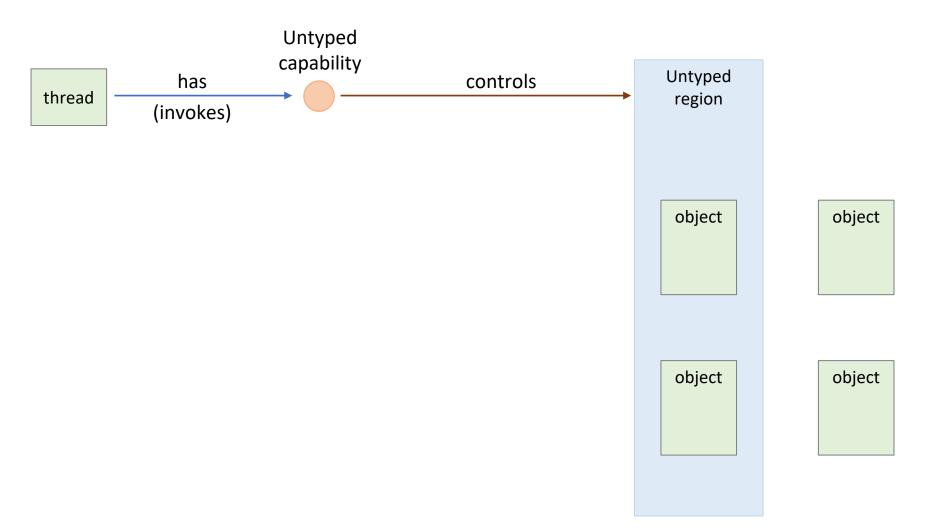


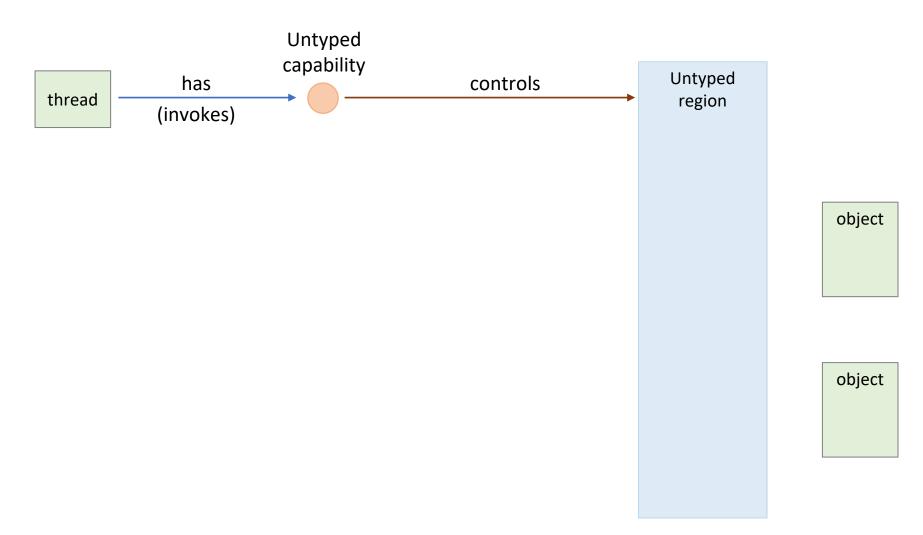


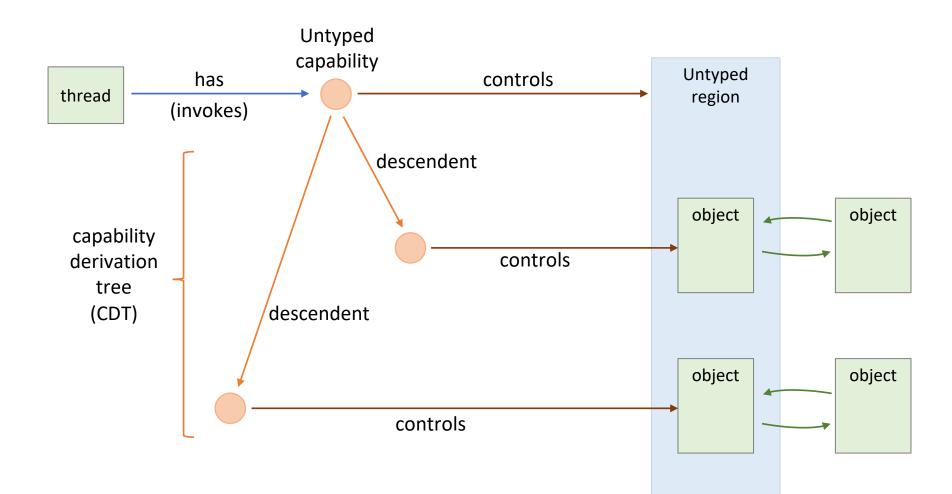












Proving if_live_then_nonz_cap:

- Object becomes live
 - \rightarrow need a capability
 - from user via invocation

- Delete a cap
 - \rightarrow need to show not live
 - show finalization achieves this

Summary:

- Specifications are like programs, but:
 - in a logical language with formal semantics
 - optimised for clarity
- Invariants
 - a coherent collection of interdependent properties
 - extremely effective at forcing understanding