

TODAY:
(CONCRETE/SYMBOLIC)
CONCOLIC EXECUTION

Program

- Theory:
 - *satisfiability and solvers*
- Practice:
 - *from code to formulas*
 - *following program execution*
- Binaries:
 - *from instrumentation and tainting*
 - *to concolic execution*

Satisfiability & Validity

$$p \vee q \Rightarrow q \vee p$$

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$$p \wedge \neg q \wedge (\neg p \vee q)$$

| ϕ | A | B | $\neg A$ | $A \vee B$ | $A \wedge \neg A$ | $A \Rightarrow B$ | $A \Rightarrow (B \vee A)$ |
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| $\mathcal{M}_3(\phi)$ | \top | \perp | \perp | \top | \perp | \perp | \top |
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Satisfiability & Validity

$$p \vee q \Rightarrow q \vee p$$

VALID

$$p \vee q \Rightarrow q$$

SATISFIABLE

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UNSATISFIABLE

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SAT solvers

- **Decades** of experience in solving NP-hard problems by translating them to Satisfiability
 - *problem has solution iff formula is satisfiable*
- Yearly competitions pushing the state-of-the-art
 - highly optimized
 - competitive for many problems
 - very general: *every NP-hard problem can be translated to SAT*
 - *(Interested in MSc project? Let me know!)*
- Recently used to solve long-standing open problems:
 - <http://www.nature.com/news/two-hundred-terabyte-maths-proof-is-largest-ever-1.19990>
- Simply very fast at solving **formulas in propositional logic**

A CNF formula

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Satisfiable?

SAT solver inner workings --- DPLL

- ▶ Standard backtrack search
- ▶ DPLL(F) :
 - ▶ Apply unit propagation
 - ▶ If conflict identified, return UNSAT
 - ▶ Apply the pure literal rule
 - ▶ If F is satisfied (empty), return SAT
 - ▶ Select decision variable x
 - ▶ If $\text{DPLL}(F \wedge x) = \text{SAT}$ return SAT
 - ▶ return $\text{DPLL}(F \wedge \neg x)$

Simple but effective: Unit Propagation

(Davis–Putnam–Logemann–Loveland)

DPLL = Unit resolution + Split rule.

$$\frac{\Gamma}{\Gamma, p \mid \Gamma, \neg p} \textit{split} \quad p \text{ and } \neg p \text{ are not in } \Gamma.$$
$$\frac{C \vee \bar{l}, l}{C, l} \textit{unit}$$

Used in the most efficient SAT solvers.

Simple but effective: Pure Literals

A literal is **pure** if only occurs positively or negatively.

Example :

$$\varphi = (\neg x_1 \vee x_2) \wedge (x_3 \vee \neg x_2) \wedge (x_4 \vee \neg x_5) \wedge (x_5 \vee \neg x_4)$$

$\neg x_1$ and x_3 are pure literals

Pure literal rule :

Clauses containing pure literals can be removed from the formula (i.e. just satisfy those pure literals)

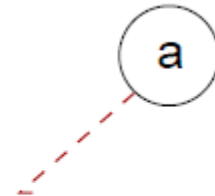
$$\varphi_{\neg x_1, x_3} = (x_4 \vee \neg x_5) \wedge (x_5 \vee \neg x_4)$$

Preserve satisfiability, not logical equivalency !

DPLL (example)

Guess

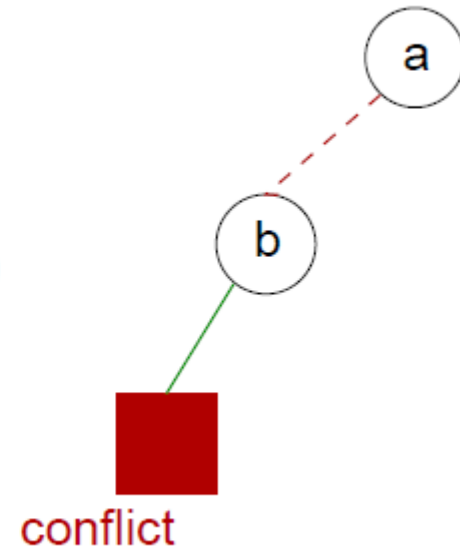
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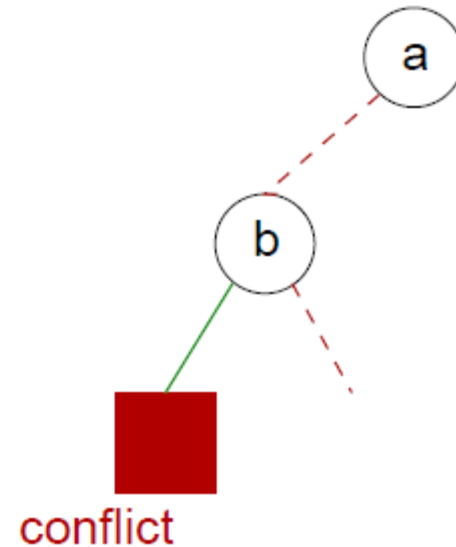
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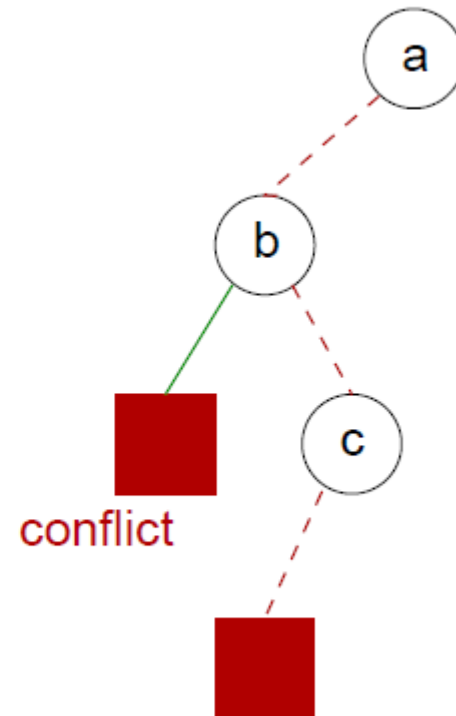
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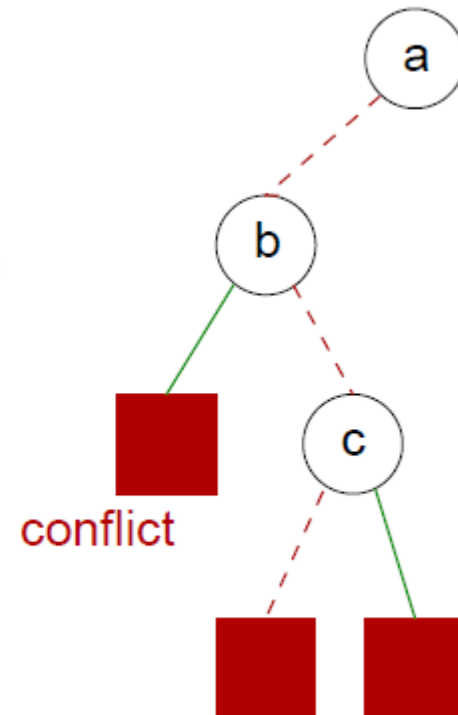
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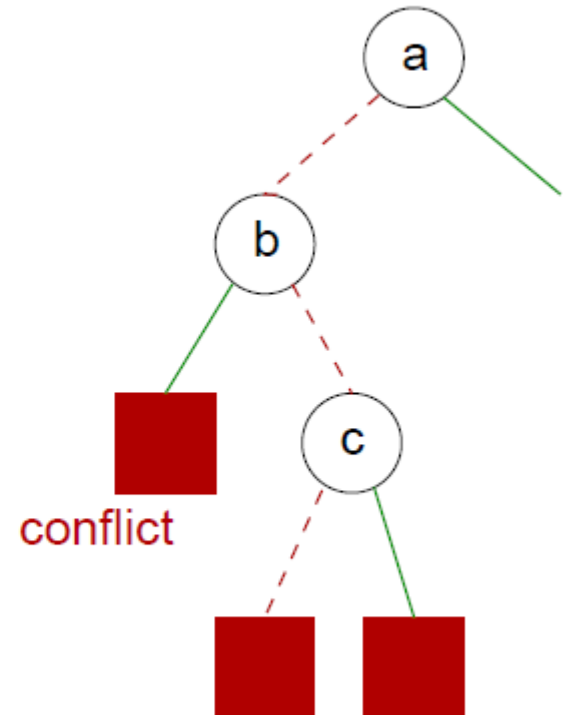
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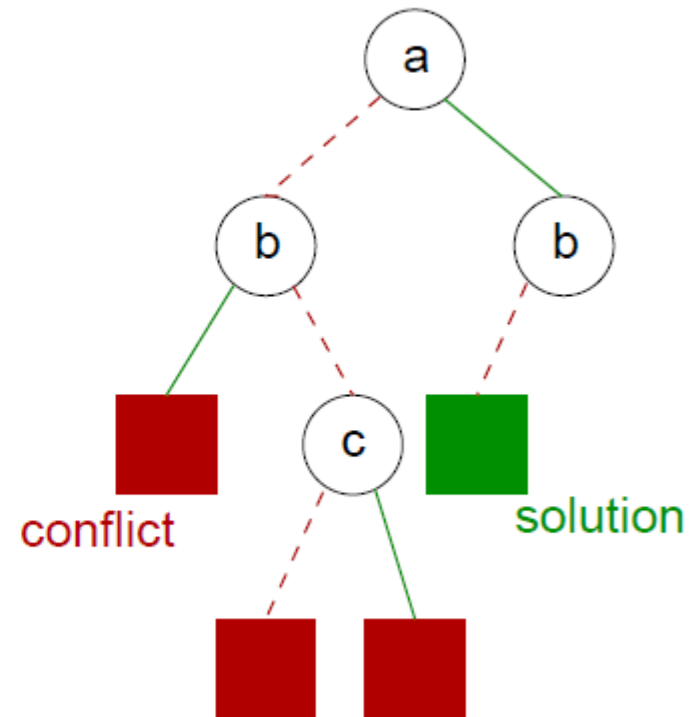
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Modern DPLL

- Do **guess-deduce-backtrack** very efficiently
 - all represented using bits and binary operators
- In addition
 - Efficient indexing (two-watch literal)
 - Non-chronological backtracking (backjumping)
 - Lemma learning
- Google if interested...building a SAT solver from scratch is unlikely competitive with the state-of-the-art:
 - They improve every year...
 - See SAT Live!: <http://www.satlive.org/solvers/>

SAT solvers 2

- ..
- Simply very fast at solving **formulas in propositional logic**
 - In contrast to GAs and local search, SAT solvers are complete!
- But not so good at modeling **numeric variables**:
 - integers, floats, (non-)linear arithmetic, ...
- Possible using Boolean representation:
 - $0 = 000$, $1 = 001$, $2 = 010$, $3 = 011$, ..
- But representing **arithmetic** in logic is slow...
- So use a *seperate solver* for such operations!
 - or represent the problem as an integer program...
 - or use other approaches such as genetic algorithms...

Satisfiability Modulo Theories (SMT)

**Is formula F satisfiable
modulo theory T ?**

SMT solvers have
specialized algorithms for T

SAT + Theory solvers

Basic Idea

$$x \geq 0, y = x + 1, (y > 2 \vee y < 1)$$



Abstract (aka “naming” atoms)

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Theory
Solver

Unsatisfiable

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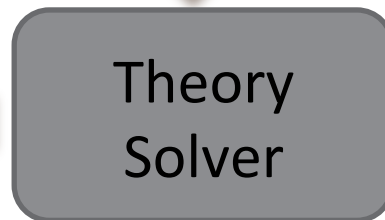


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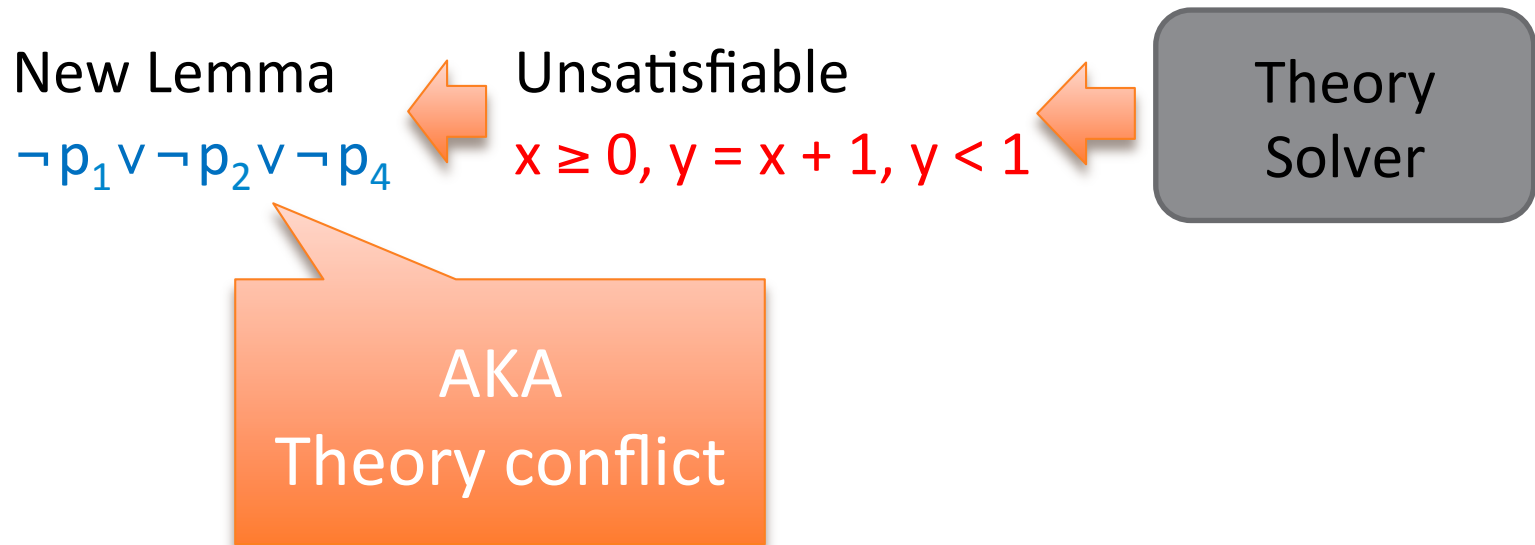
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New Lemma

$$\neg p_1 \vee \neg p_2 \vee \neg p_4$$

SAT + Theory solvers



SAT + Theory solvers: Main loop

```
procedure SmtSolver(F)
  ( $F_p$ , M) := Abstract(F)
  loop
    ( $R$ , A) := SAT_solver( $F_p$ )
    if  $R$  = UNSAT then return UNSAT
    S := Concretize(A, M)
    ( $R$ , S') := Theory_solver(S)
    if  $R$  = SAT then return SAT
    L := New_Lemma(S', M)
    Add L to  $F_p$ 
```

SAT + Theory solvers

F: $x \geq 0, y = x + 1, (y > 2 \vee y < 1)$



F_p: $p_1, p_2, (p_3 \vee p_4)$

M: $p_1 \equiv (x \geq 0), p_2 \equiv (y = x + 1),$



A: Assignment
 $p_1, p_2, \neg p_3, p_4$

S: $x \geq 0, y = x + 1,$
 $\neg(y > 2), y < 1$

L: New Lemma
 $\neg p_1 \vee \neg p_2 \vee \neg p_4$

S': Unsatisfiable
 $x \geq 0, y = x + 1, y < 1$

Theory Solver

procedure SMT_Solver(**F**)

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loop

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How can this be fast?

- SAT solvers are extremely efficient
- The obtained theory S is often easy to solve (not NP-hard)
- and

State-of-the-art SMT solvers implement many improvements...

SAT + Theory solvers

Incrementality

Send the literals to the Theory solver as they are assigned by the SAT solver

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Partial assignment is already
Theory inconsistent.

SAT + Theory solvers

Efficient Lemma Generation (computing a small S')

Avoid lemmas containing redundant literals.

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Imprecise Lemma

SAT + Theory solvers

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p_1, p_2 imply $\neg p_4$ by theory propagation

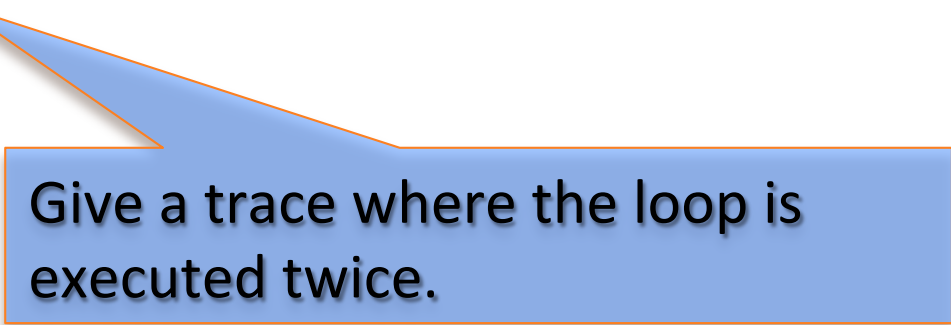
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SMT in Practice

- *from code to formulas*
- *following program execution*

From code to formulas

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    requires(y > 0);  
    while (true) {  
        unsigned m = x % y;  
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SSA

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Solver

Variable
Assignment

$x_0 = 2$
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AKA Path Constraint

Symbolic execution

- Maps code and a target branch/line entirely into sets of constraints that can be solved using, e.g., an SMT solver
- Used to be a **static analysis** tool:
 - ***code is only interpreted, not executed!***
- Nowadays it is combined with actually running the code via **dynamic analysis** (concrete execution)
 - ***run, analyze, and iterate***
- Balance concrete and symbolic parts
- Many tools developed, and used to find real bugs:
 - PEX, KLEE, Angr, SAGE, Triton, ...
 - see https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Symbolic_execution

Some more theory -- Difference Logic

Very useful in practice!

Most arithmetical constraints in software verification/analysis are in this fragment.

$$x := x + 1$$



$$x_1 = x_0 + 1$$



$$x_1 - x_0 \leq 1, x_0 - x_1 \leq -1$$

Difference Logic

Satisfiable?

$$\begin{array}{rclcl} z & - & t_{1,1} & \leq & 0 \\ z & - & t_{2,1} & \leq & 0 \\ z & - & t_{3,1} & \leq & 0 \\ t_{3,2} & - & z & \leq & 5 \\ t_{3,1} & - & t_{3,2} & \leq & -2 \\ t_{2,1} & - & t_{3,1} & \leq & -3 \\ t_{1,1} & - & t_{2,1} & \leq & -2 \end{array}$$

Difference Logic

NO!

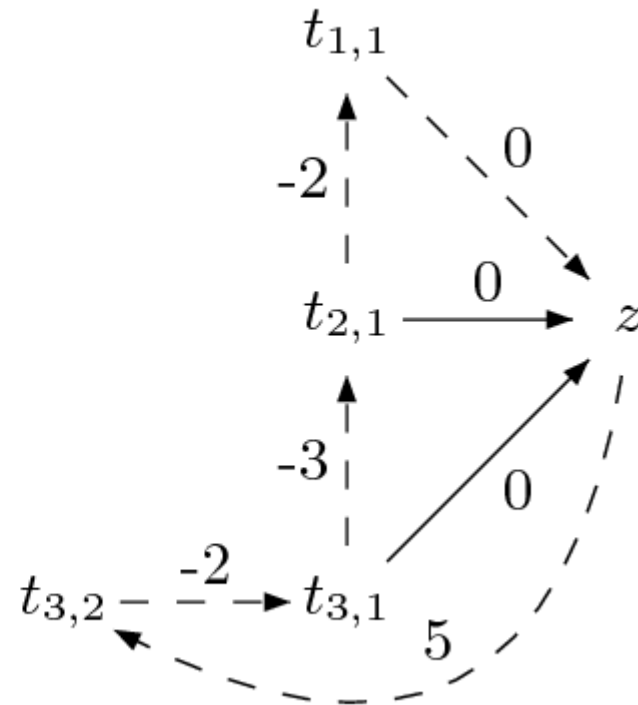
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Difference Logic complexity

Satisfiable if and only if there are no negative cycles!

Algorithms based on Bellman-Ford ($O(mn)$).

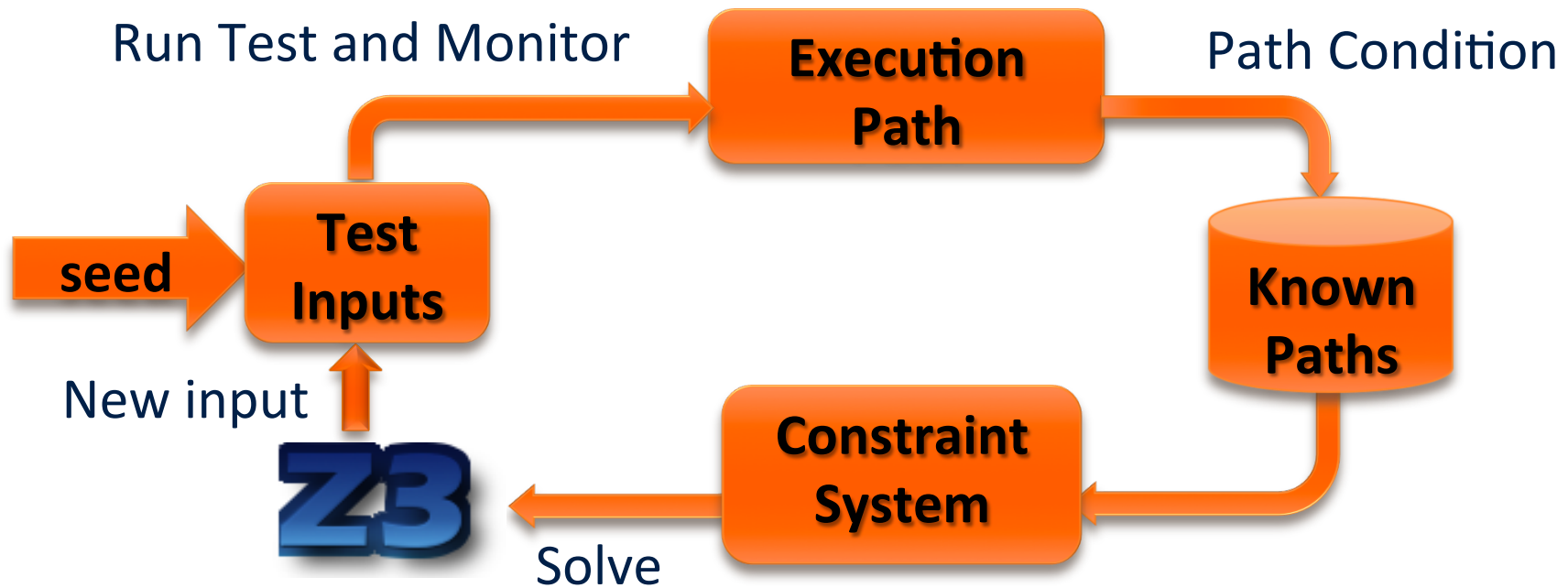
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Z3 – a frequently used solver

- <https://github.com/Z3Prover/z3>
- <https://github.com/Z3Prover/z3/wiki>
- One of the most powerful SMT solvers, developed by Microsoft, check out <http://rise4fun.com/>
- Can quickly solve problems such as Sudoku, Scheduling, ...
- *and efficiently analyze code (using difference logic)!*

Example: Directed Automated Random Testing (DART) in Microsoft PEX



PEX concolic testing of ArrayList

The image displays two screenshots of the MSDN .NET Framework Developer Center website, specifically the page for the `ArrayList.Add` method.

Top Screenshot: Shows the header with the MSDN logo and navigation tabs: Home, Library, Learn, Downloads, and Support. The main content area is titled ".NET Framework Class Library" and "ArrayList.Add Method". It includes a description: "Adds an object to the end of the [ArrayList](#)." and metadata: "Namespace: [System.Collections](#)" and "Assembly: mscorlib (in mscorlib.dll)".

Bottom Screenshot: Shows the same page but with the "Remarks" section expanded. The remarks describe the behavior of the `Add` method regarding capacity and performance complexity.

Remarks

[ArrayList](#) accepts a null reference (**Nothing** in Visual Basic) as a valid value and allows duplicate elements.

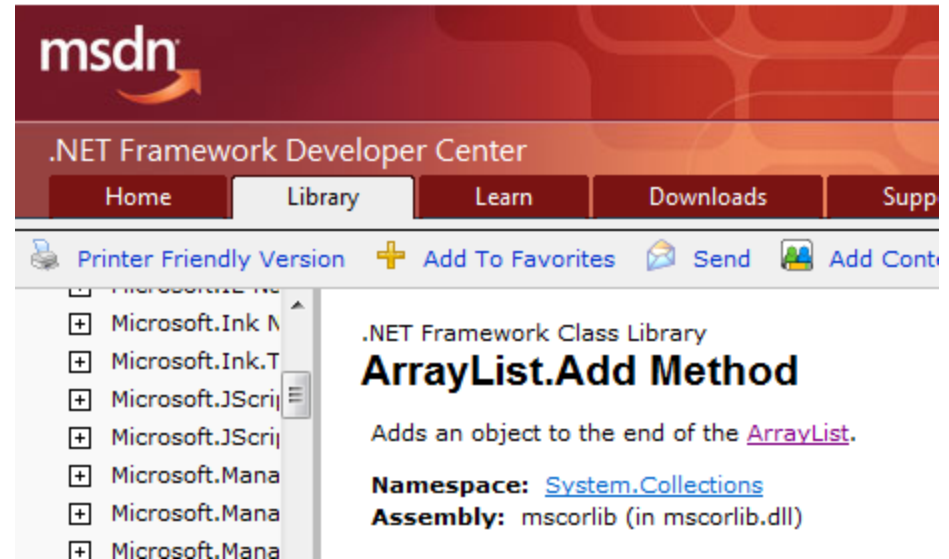
If [Count](#) already equals [Capacity](#), the capacity of the [ArrayList](#) is increased by automatically reallocating the internal array, and the existing elements are copied to the new array before the new element is added.

If [Count](#) is less than [Capacity](#), this method is an $O(1)$ operation. If the capacity needs to be increased to accommodate the new element, this method becomes an $O(n)$ operation, where n is [Count](#).

ArrayList: AddItem Test

```
class ArrayListTest {  
    [PexMethod]  
    void AddItem(int c, object item) {  
        var list = new ArrayList(c);  
        list.Add(item);  
        Assert(list[0] == item); }  
}
```

```
class ArrayList {  
    object[] items;  
    int count;  
  
    ArrayList(int capacity) {  
        if (capacity < 0) throw ...;  
        items = new object[capacity];  
    }  
  
    void Add(object item) {  
        if (count == items.Length)  
            ResizeArray();  
  
        items[this.count++] = item; }  
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| Inputs |
|--------|
| |

ArrayList: Run 1, (0,null)

```
class ArrayListTest {  
    [PexMethod]  
    void AddItem(int c, object item) {  
        var list = new ArrayList(c);  
        list.Add(item);  
        Assert(list[0] == item); }  
}
```

```
class ArrayList {  
    object[] items;  
    int count;  
  
    ArrayList(int capacity) {  
        if (capacity < 0) throw ...;  
        items = new object[capacity];  
    }  
  
    void Add(object item) {  
        if (count == items.Length)  
            ResizeArray();  
  
        items[this.count++] = item; }  
    ...  
}
```

| Inputs |
|----------|
| (0,null) |

ArrayList: Run 1, (0,null)

```
class ArrayListTest {  
    [PexMethod]  
    void AddItem(int c, object item) {  
        var list = new ArrayList(c);  
        list.Add(item);  
        Assert(list[0] == item); }  
}
```

| Inputs | Observed Constraints |
|----------|----------------------|
| (0,null) | !(c<0) |

```
class ArrayList {  
    object[] items;  
    int count;  
  
    ArrayList(int capacity) {  
        if (capacity < 0) throw ...;  
        items = new object[capacity];  
    }  
  
    void Add(object item) {  
        if (count == items.Length)  
            ResizeArray();  
  
        items[this.count++] = item; }  
    ...  
}
```

$c < 0 \rightarrow \text{false}$

ArrayList: Run 1, (0,null)

```
class ArrayListTest {  
    [PexMethod]  
    void AddItem(int c, object item) {  
        var list = new ArrayList(c);  
        list.Add(item);  
        Assert(list[0] == item);  
    }  
}
```

```
class ArrayList {  
    object[] items;  
    int count;  
  
    ArrayList(int capacity) {  
        if (capacity < 0) throw ...;  
        items = new object[capacity];  
    }  
  
    void Add(object item) {  
        if (count == items.Length)  
            ResizeArray();  
  
        items[this.count++] = item;  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

0 == c → true

Inputs

Observed
Constraints

(0,null)

!(c<0) && 0==c

ArrayList: Run 1, (0,null)

```
class ArrayListTest {  
  [PexMethod]  
  void AddItem(int c, object item) {  
    var list = new ArrayList(c);  
    list.Add(item);  
    Assert(list[0] == item); }  
}
```

item == item → true

```
class ArrayList {  
  object[] items;  
  int count;  
  
  ArrayList(int capacity) {  
    if (capacity < 0) throw ...;  
    items = new object[capacity];  
  }  
  
  void Add(object item) {  
    if (count == items.Length)  
      ResizeArray();  
  
    items[this.count++] = item; }  
  ...  
}
```

| Inputs | Observed Constraints |
|----------|----------------------|
| (0,null) | !(c<0) && 0==c |

This is a *tautology*,
i.e. a constraint that is always true,
regardless of the chosen values.

We can ignore such constraints.

ArrayList: Run 1, (0,null)

```
class ArrayListTest {  
    [PexMethod]  
    void AddItem(int c, object item) {  
        var list = new ArrayList(c);  
        list.Add(item);  
        Assert(list[0] == item); }  
}
```

```
class ArrayList {  
    object[] items;  
    int count;  
  
    ArrayList(int capacity) {  
        if (capacity < 0) throw ...;  
        items = new object[capacity];  
    }  
  
    void Add(object item) {  
        if (count == items.Length)  
            ResizeArray();  
  
        items[this.count++] = item; }  
    ...  
}
```

| Inputs | Observed Constraints |
|----------|----------------------|
| (0,null) | !(c<0) && 0==c |

Q: How to trigger another branch?

ArrayList: Picking next branch

```
class ArrayListTest {  
    [PexMethod]  
    void AddItem(int c, object item) {  
        var list = new ArrayList(c);  
        list.Add(item);  
        Assert(list[0] == item); }  
}
```

```
class ArrayList {  
    object[] items;  
    int count;  
  
    ArrayList(int capacity) {  
        if (capacity < 0) throw ...;  
        items = new object[capacity];  
    }  
  
    void Add(object item) {  
        if (count == items.Length)  
            ResizeArray();  
  
        items[this.count++] = item; }  
    ...  
}
```

| Constraints to solve | Inputs | Observed Constraints |
|----------------------|----------|----------------------|
| | (0,null) | !(c<0) && 0==c |
| !(c<0) && 0!=c | | |



Negate the observed constraints!

ArrayList: Solve using SMT solver

```
class ArrayListTest {  
    [PexMethod]  
    void AddItem(int c, object item) {  
        var list = new ArrayList(c);  
        list.Add(item);  
        Assert(list[0] == item);  
    }  
}
```

```
class ArrayList {  
    object[] items;  
    int count;  
  
    ArrayList(int capacity) {  
        if (capacity < 0) throw ...;  
        items = new object[capacity];  
    }  
  
    void Add(object item) {  
        if (count == items.Length)  
            ResizeArray();  
  
        items[this.count++] = item; }  
    ...  
}
```

| Constraints to solve | Inputs | Observed Constraints |
|----------------------|----------|----------------------|
| | (0,null) | !(c<0) && 0==c |
| !(c<0) && | (1,null) | |



ArrayList: Run 2, (1, null)

```
class ArrayListTest {  
    [PexMethod]  
    void AddItem(int c, object item) {  
        var list = new ArrayList(c);  
        list.Add(item);  
        Assert(list[0] == item);  
    }  
}
```

```
class ArrayList {  
    object[] items;  
    int count;  
  
    ArrayList(int capacity) {  
        if (capacity < 0) throw ...;  
        items = new object[capacity];  
    }  
  
    void Add(object item) {  
        if (count == items.Length)  
            ResizeArray();  
  
        items[this.count++] = item;  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

`0 == c → false`

**Constraints to
solve**

Inputs

**Observed
Constraints**

(0,null)

!(c<0) && 0==c

!(c<0) &&

(1,null)

!(c<0) && 0!=c

ArrayList: Pick new branch

```
class ArrayListTest {  
    [PexMethod]  
    void AddItem(int c, object item) {  
        var list = new ArrayList(c);  
        list.Add(item);  
        Assert(list[0] == item); }  
}
```

```
class ArrayList {  
    object[] items;  
    int count;  
  
    ArrayList(int capacity) {  
        if (capacity < 0) throw ...;  
        items = new object[capacity];  
    }  
  
    void Add(object item) {  
        if (count == items.Length)  
            ResizeArray();  
  
        items[this.count++] = item; }  
    ...  
}
```

| Constraints to solve | Inputs | Observed Constraints |
|----------------------|----------|----------------------|
| | (0,null) | !(c<0) && 0==c |
| !(c<0) && | (1,null) | !(c<0) && 0!=c |
| c<0 | | |



ArrayList: Run 3, (-1, null)

```
class ArrayListTest {  
    [PexMethod]  
    void AddItem(int c, object item) {  
        var list = new ArrayList(c);  
        list.Add(item);  
        Assert(list[0] == item); }  
}
```

```
class ArrayList {  
    object[] items;  
    int count;  
  
    ArrayList(int capacity) {  
        if (capacity < 0) throw ...;  
        items = new object[capacity];  
    }  
  
    void Add(object item) {  
        if (count == items.Length)  
            ResizeArray();  
  
        items[this.count++] = item; }  
    ...  
}
```

| Constraints to solve | Inputs | Observed Constraints |
|----------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| | (0,null) | !(c<0) && 0==c |
| !(c<0) && | (1,null) | !(c<0) && 0!=c |
| c<0 | (-1,null) | |



ArrayList: Run 3, (-1, null)

```
class ArrayListTest {  
    [PexMethod]  
    void AddItem(int c, object item) {  
        var list = new ArrayList(c);  
        list.Add(item);  
        Assert(list[0] == item);  
    }  
}
```

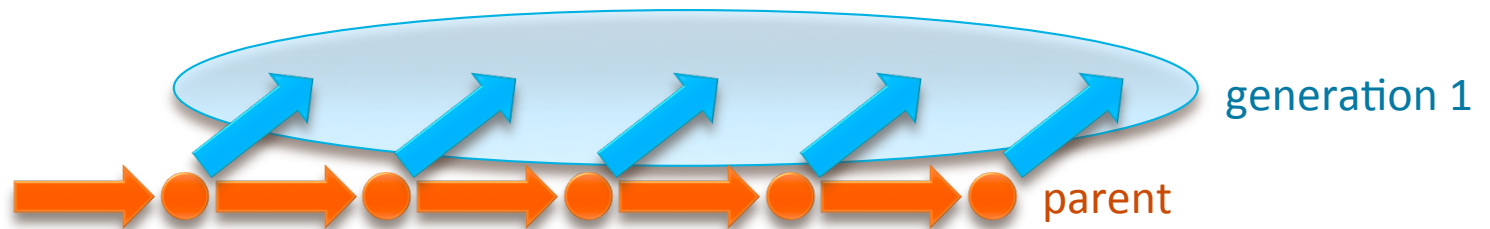
| Constraints to solve | Inputs | Observed Constraints |
|----------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| | (0,null) | !(c<0) && 0==c |
| !(c<0) && | (1,null) | !(c<0) && 0!=c |
| c<0 | (-1,null) | c<0 |

```
class ArrayList {  
    object[] items;  
    int count;  
  
    ArrayList(int capacity) {  
        if (capacity < 0) throw ...;  
        items = new object[capacity];  
    }  
  
    void Add(object item) {  
        if (count == items.Length)  
            ResizeArray();  
  
        items[this.count++] = item; }  
    ...  
}
```

c < 0 → true

SAGE

- Apply DART to large applications (not units).
- Start with well-formed input (not random).
- Combine with generational search (not DFS).
 - Negate 1-by-1 each constraint in a path constraint.
 - Generate many children for each parent run.



Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000010h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000020h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000030h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000040h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000050h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000060h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 0

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; RTFF.....
00000010h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000020h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000030h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000040h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000050h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000060h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 1

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF....***.....
00000010h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000020h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000030h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000040h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000050h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000060h: 00 00 00 00 ; .....
```

Generation 2

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 3D 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF*** ....
00000010h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000020h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000030h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000040h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000050h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000060h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 3

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 3D 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF=...*** ....
00000010h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000020h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000030h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 68 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....strh.....
00000040h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000050h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000060h: 00 00 00 00 ; .....
```

Generation 4

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 3D 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF=...*** ....
00000001h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000002h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000003h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 68 00 00 00 00 76 69 64 73 ; ....strh... vids
00000004h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000005h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000006h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 5

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 3D 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF=...*** ....
00000001h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000002h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000003h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 68 00 00 00 00 76 69 64 73 ; ....strh....vids
00000004h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 66 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; ....strf.....
00000005h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000006h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 6

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 3D 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF=...*** ....
00000001h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000002h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000003h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 68 00 00 00 00 76 69 64 73 ; ....strh....vids
00000004h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 66 00 00 00 00 28 00 00 00 ; ....strf....( ..
00000005h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000006h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 7

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 3D 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF=...*** ....
00000010h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000020h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000030h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 68 00 00 00 00 76 69 64 73 ; ....strh....vids
00000040h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 66 00 00 00 00 28 00 00 00 ; ....strf....(...)
00000050h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 C9 9D E4 4E ; .....E..N
00000060h: 00 00 00 00 ; .....
```

Generation 8

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 3D 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF=...*** ....
00000001h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000002h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000003h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 68 00 00 00 00 76 69 64 73 ; ....strh....vids
00000004h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 66 00 00 00 00 28 00 00 00 ; ....strf....(...)
00000005h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 01 00 00 ; .....
00000006h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 9

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 3D 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF=...*** ....
00000001h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000002h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000003h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 68 00 00 00 00 76 69 64 73 ; ....strh....vids
00000004h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 66 B2 75 76 3A 28 00 00 00 ; ....strf2uv:(...
00000005h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 01 00 00 ; .....
00000006h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 10

CRASH

SAGE (cont.)

- SAGE is very effective at finding bugs.
- Works on large applications.
- Fully automated
- Easy to deploy (x86 analysis – any language)
- Used in various groups inside Microsoft
- Powered by Z3.

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Binaries

- instrumentation and tainting
- concolic execution

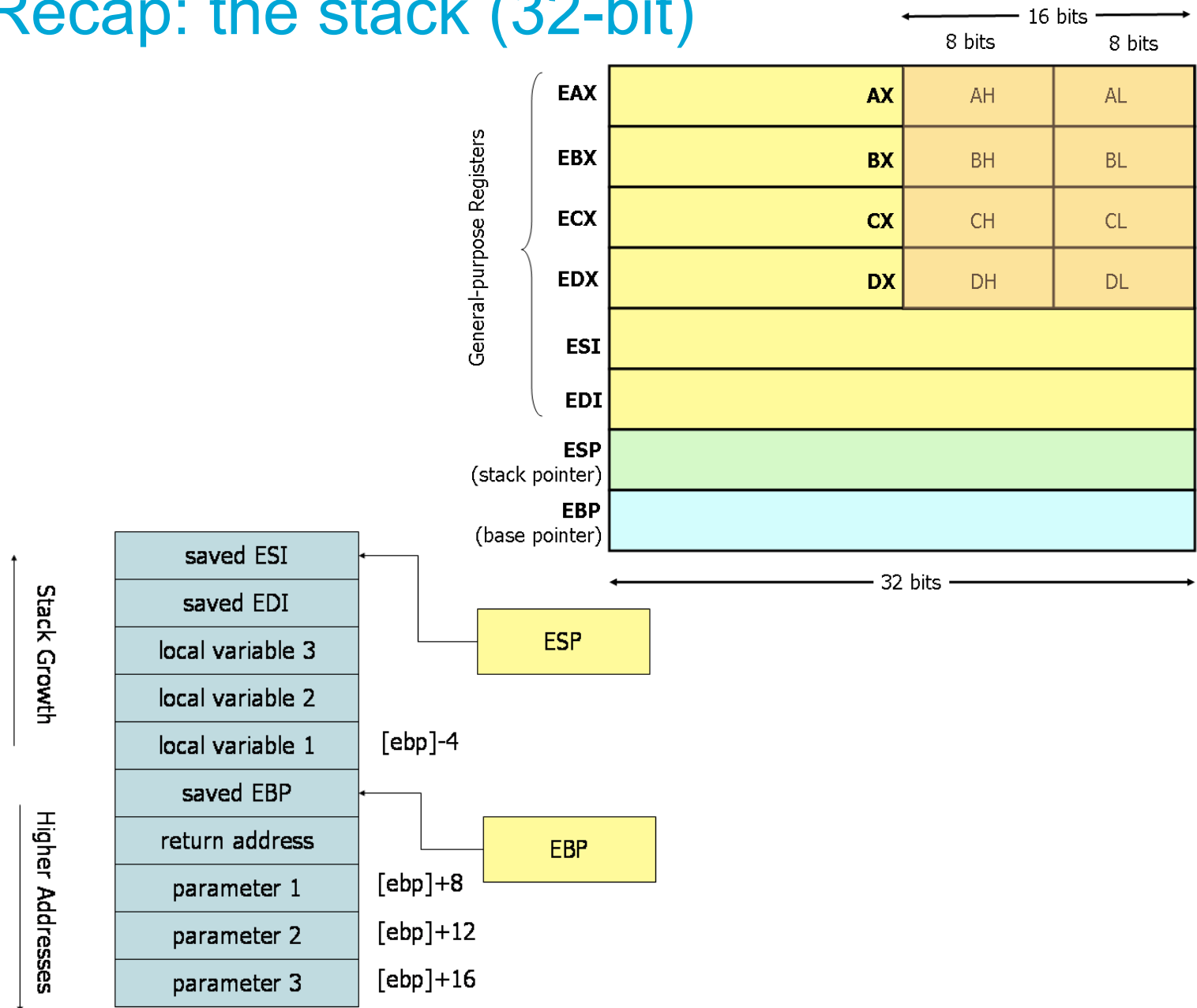
Instrumentation

```
initial_instruction_1  
initial_instruction_2  
initial_instruction_3  
initial_instruction_4
```



```
jmp_call_back_before  
initial_instruction_1  
jmp_call_back_after  
  
jmp_call_back_before  
initial_instruction_2  
jmp_call_back_after  
  
jmp_call_back_before  
initial_instruction_3  
jmp_call_back_after  
  
jmp_call_back_before  
initial_instruction_4  
jmp_call_back_after
```

Recap: the stack (32-bit)



Pin

- Developed by Intel
- Pin is a dynamic binary instrumentation framework for the IA-32 and x86-64 instruction-set architectures
 - The tools created using Pin, called Pintools, can be used to perform program analysis on user space applications in Linux and Windows

Example Pintool (inscount0.cpp)

```
...

static UINT64 icount = 0;

VOID docount() { icount++; }

VOID Instruction(INS ins, VOID *v) {
    INS_InsertCall(ins, IPOINT_BEFORE, (AFUNPTR)docount, IARG_END);
}

...

int main(int argc, char * argv[])
{
    if (PIN_Init(argc, argv)) return Usage();

    OutFile.open(KnobOutputFile.Value().c_str());

    // Register Instruction to be called to instrument instructions
    INS_AddInstrumentFunction(Instruction, 0);

    // Register Fini to be called when the application exits
    PIN_AddFiniFunction(Fini, 0);

    // Start the program, never returns
    PIN_StartProgram();

    return 0;
}
```

Example Pintool (syscount.cpp)

```
...

static UINT64 icount = 0;

VOID docount() { icount++; }

VOID Instruction(INS ins, VOID *v) {

    if(INS_IsSyscall(ins)){
        INS_InsertCall(ins, IPOINT_BEFORE, (AFUNPTR)docount, IARG_END);
    }
}

...

int main(int argc, char * argv[])
{
    if (PIN_Init(argc, argv)) return Usage();

    OutFile.open(KnobOutputFile.Value().c_str());

    // Register Instruction to be called to instrument instructions
    INS_AddInstrumentFunction(Instruction, 0);

    // Register Fini to be called when the application exits
    PIN_AddFiniFunction(Fini, 0);

    // Start the program, never returns
    PIN_StartProgram();

    return 0;
}
```

Example Pintool (writecount.cpp)

```
...
static UINT64 icount = 0;
VOID docount() { icount++; }
VOID Instruction(INS ins, VOID *v) {
    if(INS_IsSyscall(ins) && INS_IsMemoryWrite(ins)){
        INS_InsertCall(ins, IPOINT_BEFORE, (AFUNPTR)docount, IARG_END);
    }
}
...
int main(int argc, char * argv[])
{
    if (PIN_Init(argc, argv)) return Usage();

    OutFile.open(KnobOutputFile.Value().c_str());

    // Register Instruction to be called to instrument instructions
    INS_AddInstrumentFunction(Instruction, 0);

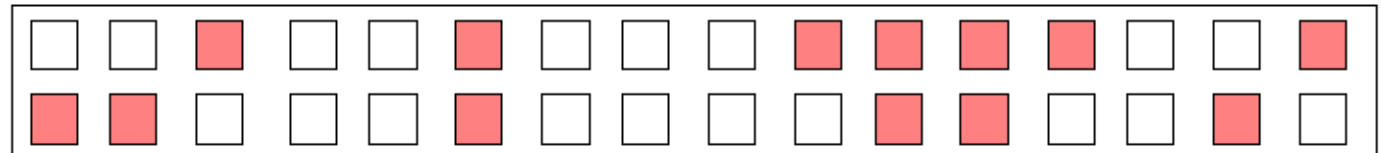
    // Register Fini to be called when the application exits
    PIN_AddFiniFunction(Fini, 0);

    // Start the program, never returns
    PIN_StartProgram();

    return 0;
}
```

Tainting

- We are interested in memory reads and writes
- The goal is to capture the effects of input modifications
- We keep track of which memory locations and CPU registers can be influenced by the input data
- This is called tainting



Memory

Tainting in Pin

- Instrument file read syscalls:

```
...
VOID Syscall_entry(THREADID thread_id, CONTEXT *ctx, SYSCALL_STANDARD std, void *v)
{
    struct range taint;

    // file read syscall nr on my Macbook
    if (PIN_GetSyscallNumber(ctx, std) == 33554435){

        start = static_cast<UINT64>((PIN_GetSyscallArgument(ctx, std, 1)));
        size  = static_cast<UINT64>((PIN_GetSyscallArgument(ctx, std, 2)));

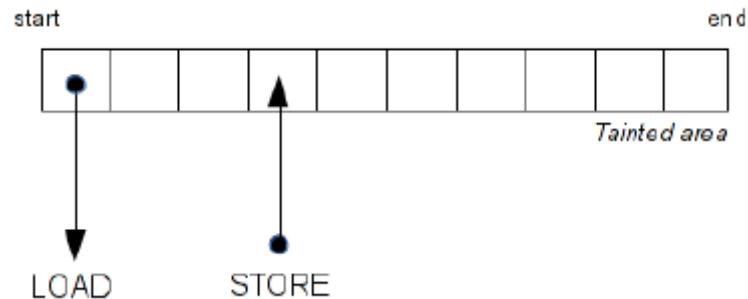
        taint.start = start;
        taint.end   = start + size;
        bytesTainted.push_back(taint);

        std::cout << "[TAINT]\t\t\tbytes tainted from " << std::hex << "0x" <<
            taint.start << " to 0x" << taint.end << " (via read)"<< std::endl;
    }
}
...

int main(int argc, char *argv[]){
    ...
    PIN_AddSyscallEntryFunction(Syscall_entry, 0);
    ...
}
```

Tainting in Pin

- Instrument memory reads and check taint: *mov regA, [regB]*



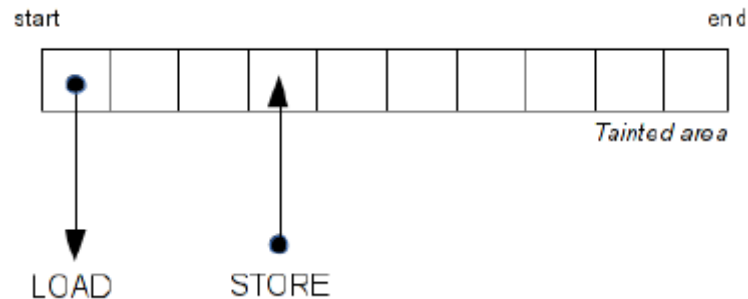
```
VOID ReadMem(UINT64 insAddr, std::string insDis, UINT64 memOp){
    list<struct range>::iterator i;
    UINT64 addr = memOp;

    for(i = bytesTainted.begin(); i != bytesTainted.end(); ++i){
        if (addr >= i->start && addr < i->end){
            std::cout << std::hex << "[READ in " << addr << "]\t" << insAddr << ": " <<
                insDis << std::endl;
        }
    }
}

VOID Instruction(INS ins, VOID *v){
    if (INS_MemoryOperandIsRead(ins, 0) && INS_OperandIsReg(ins, 0)){
        INS_InsertCall(
            ins, IPOINT_BEFORE, (AFUNPTR)ReadMem,
            IARG_ADDRINT, INS_Address(ins),
            IARG_PTR, new string(INS_Disassemble(ins)),
            IARG_MEMORYOP_EA, 0,
            IARG_END);
    }
}
```

Tainting in Pin

- Instrument memory writes and check taint: *mov [regA], regB*



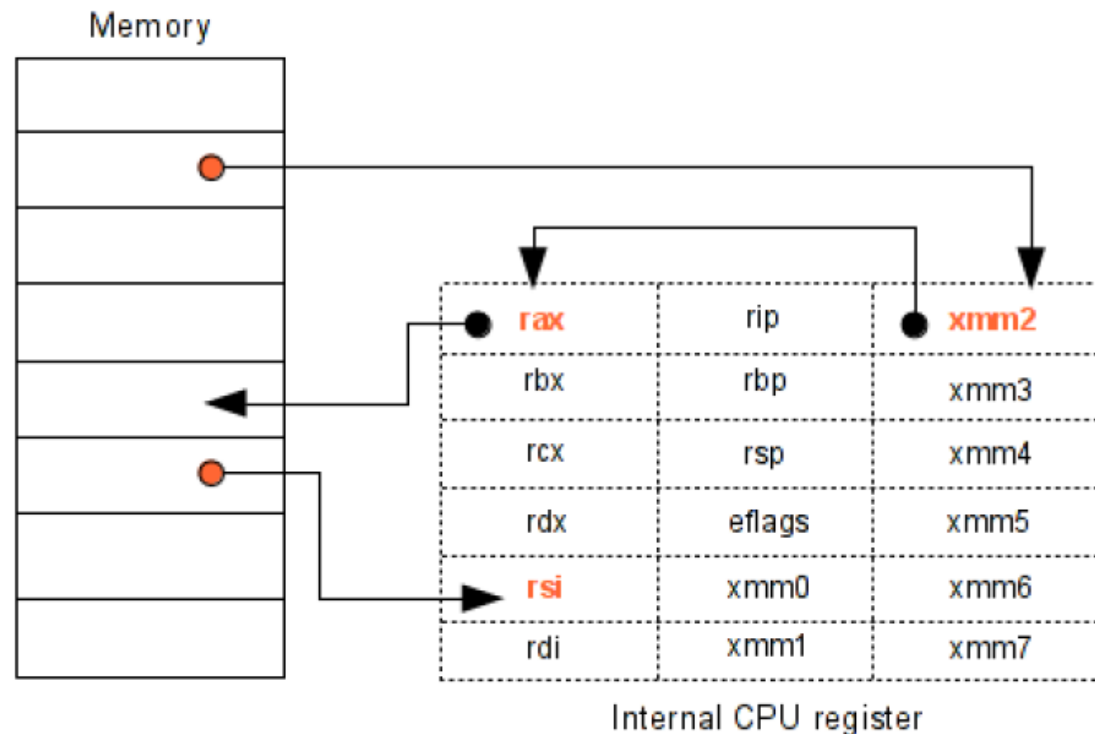
```
VOID WriteMem(UINT64 insAddr, std::string insDis, UINT64 memOp){
    list<struct range>::iterator i;
    UINT64 addr = memOp;

    for(i = bytesTainted.begin(); i != bytesTainted.end(); ++i){
        if (addr >= i->start && addr < i->end){
            std::cout << std::hex << "[WRITE in " << addr << "]\t" << insAddr << ": " <<
                insDis << std::endl;
        }
    }
}

VOID Instruction(INS ins, VOID *v){
    if (INS_MemoryOperandIsWritten(ins, 0)){
        INS_InsertCall(
            ins, IPOINT_BEFORE, (AFUNPTR)WriteMem,
            IARG_ADDRINT, INS_Address(ins),
            IARG_PTR, new string(INS_Disassemble(ins)),
            IARG_MEMORYOP_EA, 0,
            IARG_END);
    }
}
```

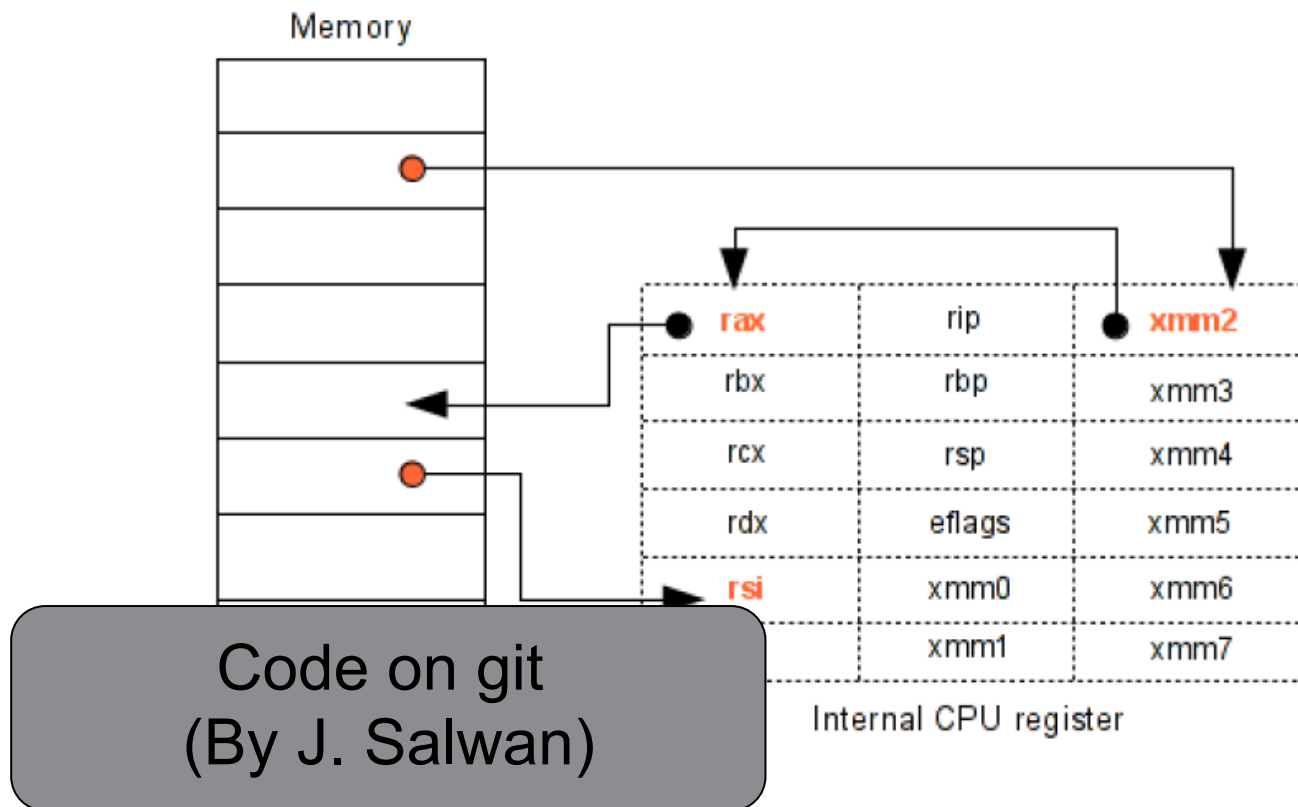
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We can do this for any binary, for instance the GCD...

GCD disassembled (using Hopper)

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; Variables:  
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__Z3GCDii:          // GCD(int, int)  
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loc_100000f4a:        
00000000100000f4a    mov     eax, dword [rbp+var_4]  
00000000100000f4d    cdq  
00000000100000f4e    idiv   dword [rbp+var_8]  
00000000100000f51    mov     dword [rbp+var_C], edx  
00000000100000f54    cmp     dword [rbp+var_C], 0x0  
00000000100000f58    jne     loc_100000f63  
  
00000000100000f5e    mov     eax, dword [rbp+var_8]  
00000000100000f61    pop     rbp  
00000000100000f62    ret  
; endp  
  
loc_100000f63:        
00000000100000f63    mov     eax, dword [rbp+var_8]  
00000000100000f66    mov     dword [rbp+var_4], eax  
00000000100000f69    mov     eax, dword [rbp+var_C]  
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00000000100000f6f    jmp     loc_100000f4a  
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Q: What is the path
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----> e8 (eax) = e2
----> e9 (var_4) = e8
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(#1%#2) != 0 ---> 2nd iteration:
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...

(e₂1%e₂2) == 0
(e₉%e₁₁) == 0
(e₈%e₁₀) == 0
(e₂%e₆) == 0
(#2%e₅) == 0
(#2%(e₃%e₂)) == 0
(#2%(#1%#2)) == 0

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(#2%(#1%#2)) == 0

Solving
(#1%#2) != 0
and
(#2%(#1%#2)) == 0
gives
#1 = 2
#2 = 4

e₂
e₂
0)

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----> e10 (eax) = e6  
----> e11 (var_8) = e10  
jump
```

Very cool

- that this can be done on arbitrary binaries
- Check out:
 - shellphish <http://shellphish.net/cgc/#tools>
 - in particular:
 - angr <http://angr.io/>, <https://github.com/angr/angr>
 - driller <https://github.com/shellphish/driller>
 - tools for automatic patching and exploitation are also available
 - *outside the scope of this course, but contact me if interested in MSc project!*

KLEE

- An LLVM based concolic execution engine
 - LLVM is an Intermediate Representation, so not working directly on assembly, but one level higher, abstracting away some of the low-level implementations
- <http://klee.github.io/docs/>
- Very easy to use, simply declare parameters as symbolic, and run KLEE! (see Git)
- We use KLEE for the second lab assignment

A final note: from Wikipedia

```
1. void f(int x, int y) {  
2.     int z = 2*y;  
3.     if (x == 100000) {  
4.         if (x < z) {  
5.             assert(0); /* error */  
6.         }  
7.     }  
8. }
```

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Q. Why?

A final note: from Wikipedia

```
1. void f(int x, int y) {  
2.     int z = 2*y;  
3.     if (x < 1000000000) {  
4.  
5.  
6.  
7.     }  
8. }
```

AFL finds it in milliseconds

Why?

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AFL

- What AFL does exactly is not very clear, but see:
- <http://lcamtuf.blogspot.nl/2014/08/binary-fuzzing-strategies-what-works.html>
 - Walking bit/byte flips, simple arithmetic, ..
 - But, form http://lcamtuf.coredump.cx/afl/technical_details.txt:
 - *“AFL generally does not try to reason about the relationship between specific mutations and program states; the fuzzing steps are nominally blind, and are guided only by the evolutionary design of the input queue”*

AFL

- When
- h
- y

Challenge:

**Find small code samples (+- 20 lines) that
takes amazingly long to Fuzz/Test,
but is quick to execute concolically**

and vice versa!

Example code is provided on Git