Lab: Z3 Theorem Prover

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Quiz-2 + Lab-Exercise-2 + Assignment-2

- A set of quizzes on WebCMS (5 points)
  - Logical formula and predicate logic
  - Z3's knowledge and translation rules
- Lab-Exercise-2 (5 points)
  - **Goal:** Manually translate code into z3 formulas/constraints and verify the assertions embedded in the code.
  - **Specification:** `https://github.com/SVF-tools/Software-Security-Analysis/wiki/Lab-Exercise-2`
  - **SVF Z3 APIs:** `https://github.com/SVF-tools/Software-Security-Analysis/wiki/SVF-Z3-API`
- Assignment-2 (25 points)
  - **Goal:** automatically perform assertion-based verification for code using static symbolic execution.
  - **Specification:** `https://github.com/SVF-tools/Software-Security-Analysis/wiki/Assignment-2`

Intraprocedural Example

```
1  void main() {
2    int *p;
5    int q;;
7    int *r;;
9    int x;;
10   p = malloc(...);;
13   q = 5;;
15   *p = q;;
17   x = *p;;
19   assert(x == 10);;
20 }
```

Source code

```
1 expr p = getZ3Expr("p");
2 expr q = getZ3Expr("q");
3 expr r = getZ3Expr("r");
4 expr x = getZ3Expr("x");
5 printExprValues();
```

Translation code using Z3Mgr

```
----------Var and Value-----


----------------------------
```

nothing printed because

expressions have no value

Output on terminal

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20 }
```

Source code

```
1 expr p = getZ3Expr("p");
2 expr q = getZ3Expr("q");
3 expr r = getZ3Expr("r");
4 expr x = getZ3Expr("x");
5 expr malloc1 = getMemObjAddress("malloc1");
6 addToSolver(p == malloc1);
7 printExprValues();
```

Translation code using Z3Mgr

```
----------Var and Value-----
Var5 (malloc1)    Value: 0x7f000005
Var1 (p)          Value: 0x7f000005
----------------------------
```

`0x7f000005` (or 2130706437 in decimal) represents the virtual memory address of this object

Each SVF object starts with `0x7f` + its ID.

Output on terminal

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Source code

```
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2  expr q = getZ3Expr("q");
3  expr r = getZ3Expr("r");
4  expr x = getZ3Expr("x");
5  expr malloc1 = getMemObjAddress("malloc1");
6  addToSolver(p == malloc1);
7  addToSolver(q == getZ3Expr(5));
8  storeValue(p, q);
9  addToSolver(x == loadValue(p));
10 printExprValues();
```

Translation code using Z3Mgr

```
----------Var and Value-----
Var5 (malloc1)    Value: 0x7f000005
Var1 (p)          Value: 0x7f000005
Var2 (q)          Value: 5
Var4 (x)          Value: 5
----------------------------
```

store value of `q` to address `0x7f000005`

load the value from `0x7f000005` to `x`

Output on terminal

Intraprocedural Example

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9    int x;;
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```

Source code

```
1  expr p = getZ3Expr("p");
2  expr q = getZ3Expr("q");
3  expr r = getZ3Expr("r");
4  expr x = getZ3Expr("x");
5  expr malloc1 = getMemObjAddress("malloc1");
6  addToSolver(p == malloc1);
7  addToSolver(q == getZ3Expr(5));
8  storeValue(p, q);
9  addToSolver(x == loadValue(p));
10 printExprValues();
11 addToSolver(x == getZ3Expr(10));
12 std::cout<< solver.check() << std::endl;
```

Translation code using Z3Mgr

```
----------Var and Value-----
Var5 (malloc1)    Value: 0x7f000005
Var1 (p)          Value: 0x7f000005
Var2 (q)          Value: 5
Var4 (x)          Value: 5
unsat
Assertion failed: (false &&
"The assertion is unsatisfiable");
----------------------------
```

Contradictory Z3 constraints!

$x \equiv 5$ contradicts $x \equiv 10$

Output on terminal

Intraprocedural Example

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1  void main() {
3    int * p; ;
5    int q;;
7    int * r;;
9    int x;;
11   p = malloc(...);;
13   q = 5;;
15   *p = q;;
17   x = *p;;
19   assert(x == 10);;
20 }
```

Source code

```
1  expr p = getZ3Expr("p");
2  expr q = getZ3Expr("q");
3  expr r = getZ3Expr("r");
4  expr x = getZ3Expr("x");
5  expr malloc1 = getMemObjAddress("malloc1");
6  addToSolver(p == malloc1);
7  addToSolver(q == getZ3Expr(5));
8  storeValue(p, q);
9  addToSolver(x == loadValue(p));
10 printExprValues();
11 std::cout<< getEvalExpr(x == getZ3Expr(10))
12 << std::endl;
```

Translation code using Z3Mgr

```
----------Var and Value-----
Var5 (malloc1)    Value: 0x7f000005
Var1 (p)          Value: 0x7f000005
Var2 (q)          Value: 5
Var4 (x)          Value: 5
false
----------------------------
```

There is no model available (unsat)

when evaluating `x == getZ3Expr(10)`

Output on terminal

Interprocedural Example (Call and Return)

```
1  int bar(int a)(){
3    int r = a;;
5    return r;;
6  }
7  void main() {
9    int p, q; ;
10   p = bar(2); ;
12   q = bar(3); ;
15   assert(p == 2); ;
16 }
```

Source code

```
1  expr p = getZ3Expr("p");
2  expr q = getZ3Expr("q");
3  solver.push();
4  expr a = getZ3Expr("a");
5  addToSolver(a == getZ3Expr(2));
6  solver.check();
7  expr r = getEvalExpr(a);
8  printExprValues();
9  solver.pop();
10 addToSolver(p == r);
```

Handle first callsite `p=bar(2)`

Translation code using Z3Mgr

```
----------Var and Value-----
Var2 (a)          Value: 2
-----------------------------
```

(1) `push` the z3 constraints when calling `bar` and `pop` when returning from `bar`

(2) Expression `r` is the return value evaluated from `a` after returning from callee `bar`

Output on terminal

Interprocedural Example (Call and Return)

```
1  int bar(int a)(){
3    int r = a;;
5    return r;;
6  }
7  void main() {
9    int p, q; ;
10   p = bar(2); ;
12   q = bar(3); ;
15   assert(p == 2); ;
16 }
```

Source code

```
1  expr p = getZ3Expr("p");
2  expr q = getZ3Expr("q");
3  solver.push();
4  expr a = getZ3Expr("a");
5  addToSolver(a == getZ3Expr(2));
6  solver.check();
7  expr r = getEvalExpr(a);
8  solver.pop();
9  addToSolver(p == r);
10 printExprValues();
```

Handle first callsite `p=bar(2)`

Translation code using Z3Mgr

```
----------Var and Value-----
Var1 (p)        Value: 2
----------------------------
```

Now we only have `p`'s value and `a` is not in the current stack since constraint `a == getZ3Expr(2)` has been popped

Output on terminal

Interprocedural Example (Call and Return)

```
1  int bar(int a)(){
3    int r = a;;
5    return r;;
6  }
7  void main() {
9    int p, q; ;
11   p = bar(2); ;
12   q = bar(3); ;
15   assert(p == 2); ;
16 }
```

```
1  expr p = getZ3Expr("p");
2  expr q = getZ3Expr("q");
3  solver.push();
4  expr a = getZ3Expr("a");
5  addToSolver(a == getZ3Expr(2));
6  expr r = getEvalExpr(a);
7  solver.pop();
8  addToSolver(p == r);
9  solver.push();
10 addToSolver(a == getZ3Expr(3));
11 r = getEvalExpr(a);
12 solver.pop();
13 addToSolver(q == r);
14 printExprValues();
```

Handle second callsite `q=bar(3)`

```
----------Var and Value-----
Var1 (p)        Value: 2
Var2 (q)        Value: 3
----------------------------
```

We have two expressions and their values in main's scope

Source code | Translation code using Z3Mgr | Output on terminal

Bad Interprocedural Example Without `push/pop`

```
1  int bar(int a)(){
3    int r = a;;
5    return r;;
6  }
7  void main() {
9    int p, q; ;
11   p = bar(2); ;
13   q = bar(3); ;
15   assert(p == 2); ;
16 }
```

Source code

```
1  expr p = getZ3Expr("p");
2  expr q = getZ3Expr("q");
3  expr a = getZ3Expr("a");
4  addToSolver(a == getZ3Expr(2));
5  expr r = getEvalExpr(a);
6  addToSolver(p == r);
7  addToSolver(a == getZ3Expr(3));
8  r = getEvalExpr(a);
9  addToSolver(q == r);
10 printExprValues();
```

Translation code using Z3Mgr

```
----------Var and Value-----
Assertion failed: (res!=z3::unsat &&
"unsatisfied constraints! Check your
contradictory constraints added to
the solver")
----------------------------
```

Output on terminal

both `a == getZ3Expr(2)` and `a == getZ3Expr(3)` are added into the solver in the same scope

Bad Interprocedural Example Without Evaluating Return

```
1  int bar(int a)(){
3    int r = a;;
5    return r;;
6  }
7  void main() {
9    int p, q; ;
11   p = bar(2); ;
13   q = bar(3); ;
15   assert(p == 2); ;
16 }
```

Source code

```
1  expr p = getZ3Expr("p");
2  expr q = getZ3Expr("q");
3  expr r = getZ3Expr("r");
4  expr a = getZ3Expr("a");
5  solver.push();
6  addToSolver(a == getZ3Expr(2));
7  addToSolver(r == a);  // invalid after pop
8  solver.pop();
9  addToSolver(p == r);
10 printExprValues();
11 solver.push();
12 addToSolver(a == getZ3Expr(3));
13 addToSolver(r == a);  // invalid after pop
14 solver.pop();
15 addToSolver(q == r);
16 printExprValues();
```

Translation code using Z3Mgr

```
----------Var and Value-----
Var1 (p)        Value: random
Var2 (q)        Value: random
Var3 (r)        Value: random
----------------------------
```

Output on terminal

the values of `p,q,r` are

the same random number

Array and Struct Example

```
1  void main() {
3    int * a; ;
5    int * x; ;
7    int y; ;
9    a = malloc(...);;
11   x = &a[2];;
13   *x = 3;;
15   y = *x;;
17   assert(y == 3);
18 }
```

Source code

```
1  expr a = getZ3Expr("a");
2  expr x = getZ3Expr("x");
3  expr y = getZ3Expr("y");
4  addToSolver(a == getMemObjAddress("malloc"));
5  addToSolver(x == getGepObjAddress(a,2));
6  storeValue(x, getZ3Expr(3));
7  addToSolver(y == loadValue(x));
8  printExprValues();
```

Translation code using Z3Mgr

```
----------Var and Value-----
Var1 (a)          Value: 0x7f000004
Var4 (malloc)     Value: 0x7f000004
Var2 (x)          Value: 0x7f000003
Var3 (y)          Value: 0x7f000003
----------------------------
```

Output on terminal

`getGepObjAddress` returns the field address of the aggregate object *a*

The virual address also in the form of `0x7f.. + VarID`

Array and Struct Example

```
1  void main() {
3    int * a; ;
5    int * x; ;
7    int y;
9    a = malloc(...);;
11   x = &a[2];;
13   *x = 3;;
15   y = *x;;
17   assert(y == 3);
18 }
```

Source code

```
1 expr a = getZ3Expr("a");
2 expr x = getZ3Expr("x");
3 expr y = getZ3Expr("y");
4 addToSolver(a == getMemObjAddress("malloc"));
5 addToSolver(x == getGepObjAddress(a,2));
6 storeValue(x, getZ3Expr(3));
7 addToSolver(y == loadValue(x));
8 printExprValues();
9 std::cout<< getEvalExpr(y)<<std::endl;
```

Translation code using Z3Mgr

```
----------Var and Value-----
Var1 (a)            Value: 0x7f000004
Var4 (malloc)       Value: 0x7f000004
Var2 (x)            Value: 0x7f000003
Var3 (y)            Value: 0x7f000003
----------------------------
3
```

`getEvalExpr` retrieve the value from the expression

Output on terminal

Branch Example

```
1  main(int argv)
   {
3    int y = 2;;
5    if(argv > 2)
7      y = argv;;
9
     assert(y >= 2);;
10 }
```

```
1  expr argv = getZ3Expr("argv");
2  expr y = getZ3Expr("y");
3  addToSolver(y == getZ3Expr(2));
4  bool cond=(getEvalExpr(argv>getZ3Expr(2))).is_true();
5  if(cond){   // add branch condition into solver
6      addToSolver(argv > getZ3Expr(2));
7      addToSolver(y == argv);
8  }else{  // add negation of branch condition into solver
9      addToSolver(argv <= getZ3Expr(2));
10 }
11 printExprValues();
12 std::cout<<getEvalExpr(y >= getZ3Expr(2))<<"\n";
```

```
----------Var and Value-----
Var1 (argv)          Value: 0
Var2 (y)             Value: 2
----------------------------
true
```

Source code

Translation code using Z3Mgr

Output on terminal