



# Refinement Types for Haskell

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# Software bugs are everywhere



Airbus A400M crashed due to a software bug.  
— May 2015

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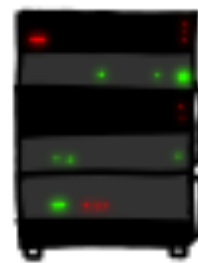
The Heartbleed Bug.  
Buffer overflow in OpenSSL. 2015

# HOW THE HEARTBLEED BUG WORKS:

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IF SO, REPLY "POTATO" (6 LETTERS).



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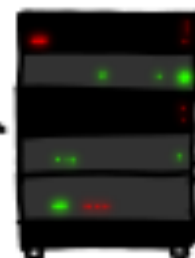


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Using Modern Programming Languages

F#, Ocaml, Erlang, Scala, Haskell

Because of

Strong Types +  $\lambda$ -Calculus



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Using Mode

*Well Typed Programs  
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Type Error: Cannot match Bool vs Int
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**All Ints**

**..., -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, ...**

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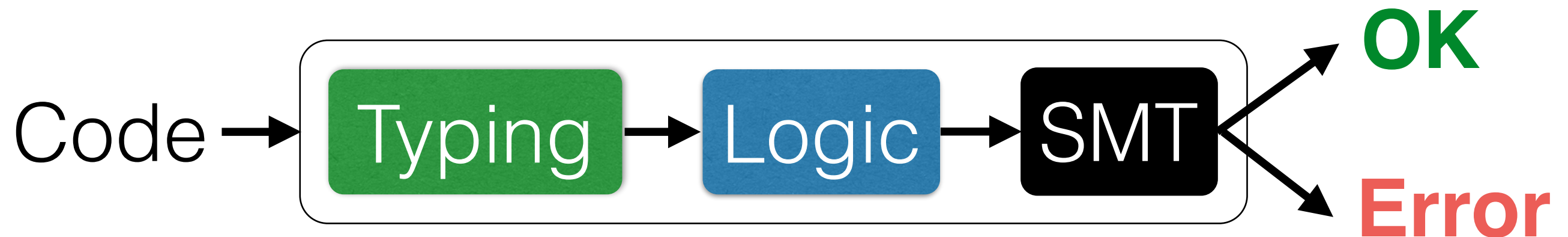
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Refinement Type Error
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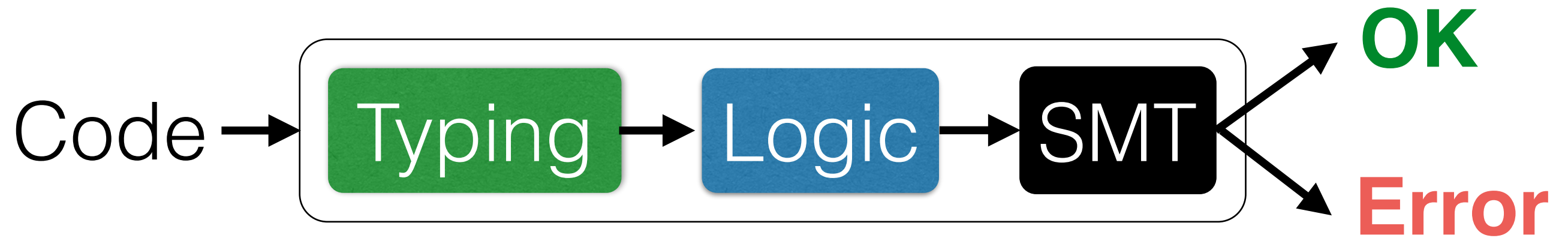
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1. Source Code to **Type constraints**
2. **Type Constraints** to **Verification Condition (VC)**
3. Check **VC validity** with **SMT Solver**



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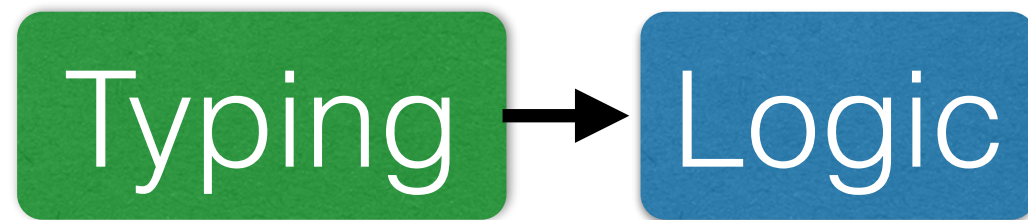


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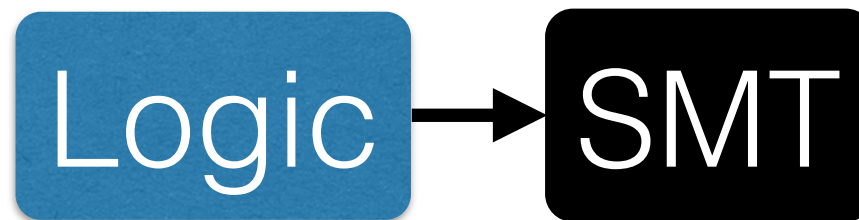


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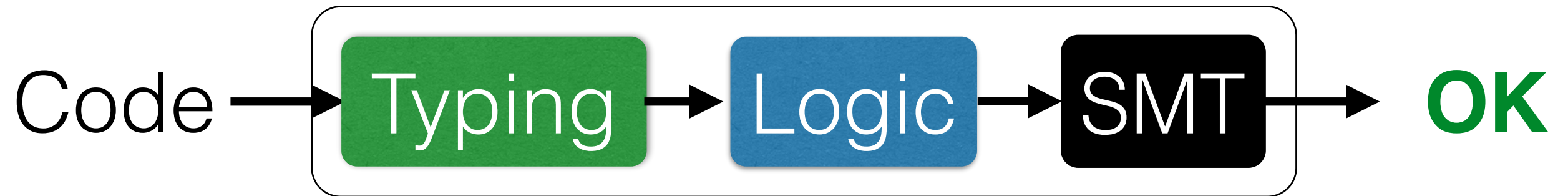
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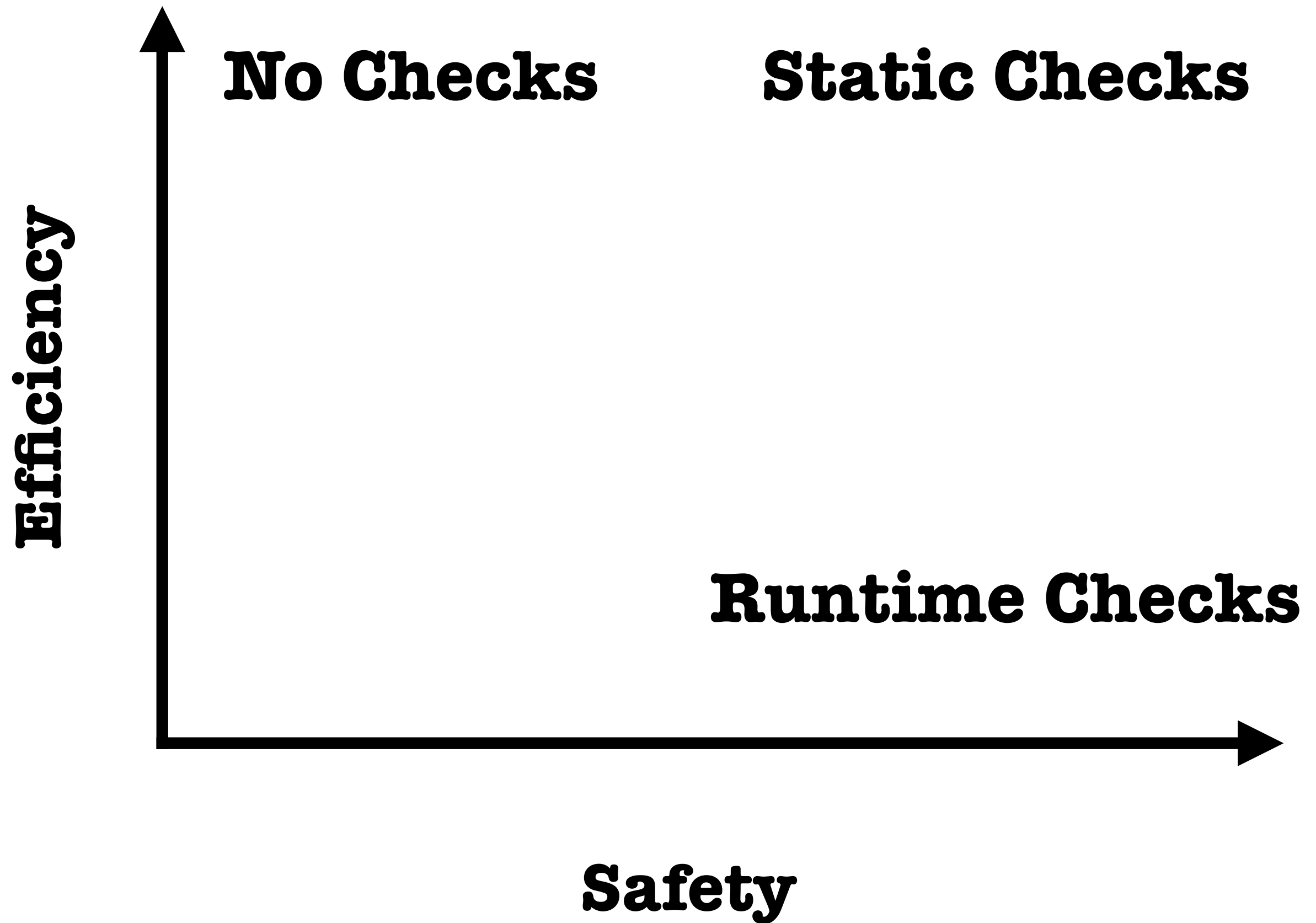
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heartbleed = let x = "hat"
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**Checks valid arguments, under facts.**

**Static Checks**



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UNSAFE



# Runtime Checks

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λ> *** Exception: Out Of Bounds!
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SAFE

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**Static Checks**

**Safe & Efficient Code!**