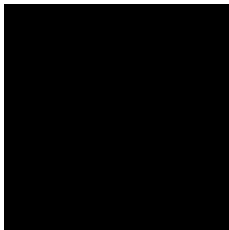
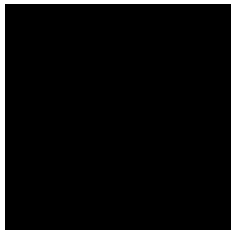


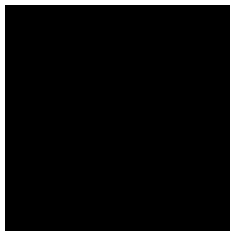
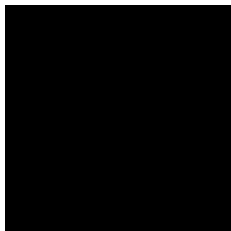
Tamarin: Concolic Disequivalence for MIPS

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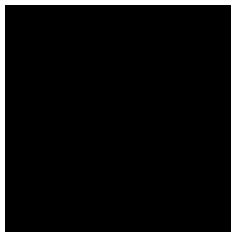
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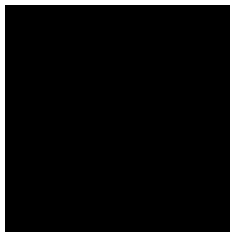
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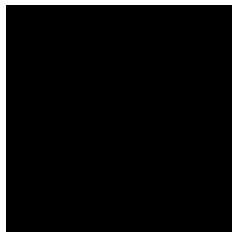
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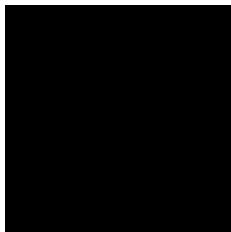
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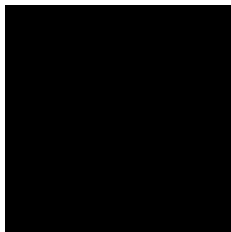


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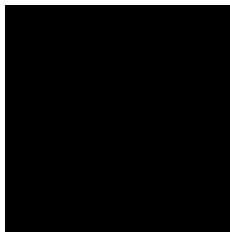


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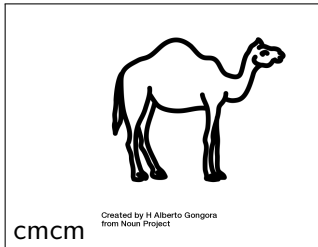


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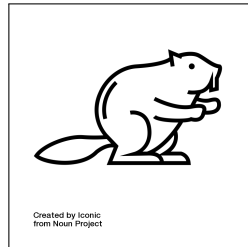


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Given MIPS program P_1 and P_2 , when are they equivalent?

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Don't care about (most) CPU interrupts/IO.

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S -equivalent (e.g. for $S = 10$), but not equivalent:

```
# P_1
add $3, $1, $2
```

```
# P_2
    add $4, $0, 1 # counter
    add $5, $0, 42 # upper bound
loop:
    slt $6, $4, $5
    beq $6, $0, end
    add $4, $4, 1
    beq $0, $0, loop
end:
    add $3, $1, $1
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non-termination	???	yes
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Corollary (Soundness)

If two programs are not S -equivalent (for any S), then they are not equivalent.

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Tamarin: use concolic execution: higher coverage(?), not too slow(?)

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Alternating concolic execution

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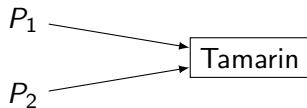
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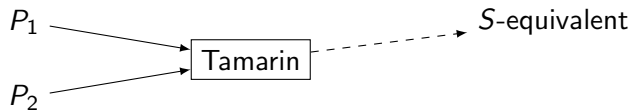
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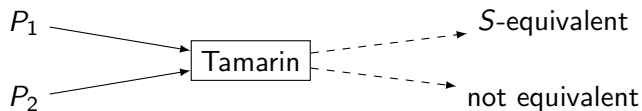
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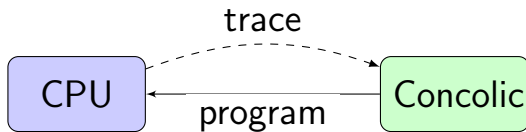
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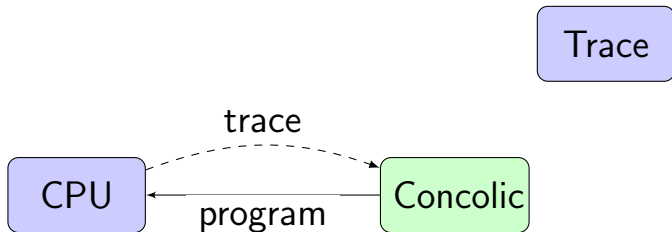
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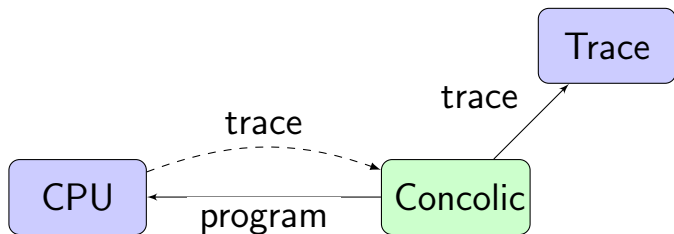
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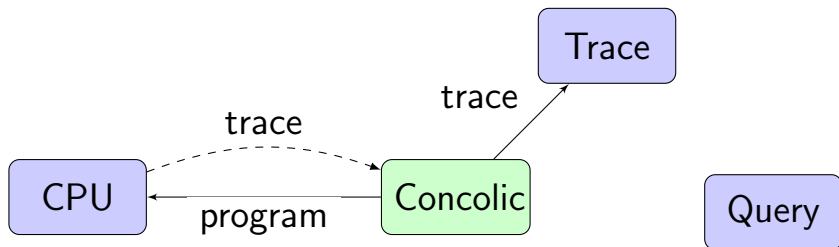
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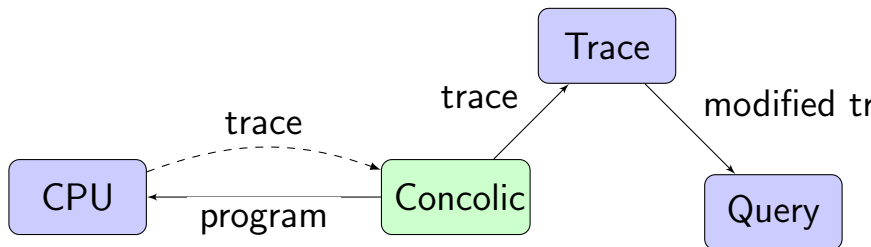
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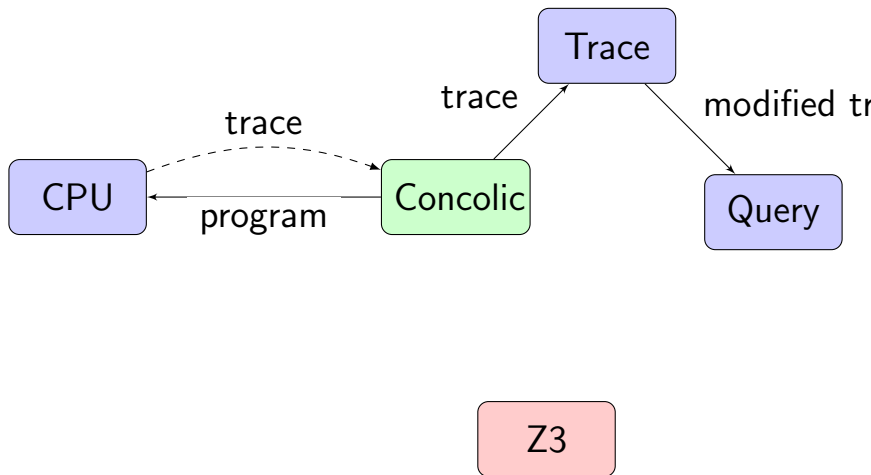
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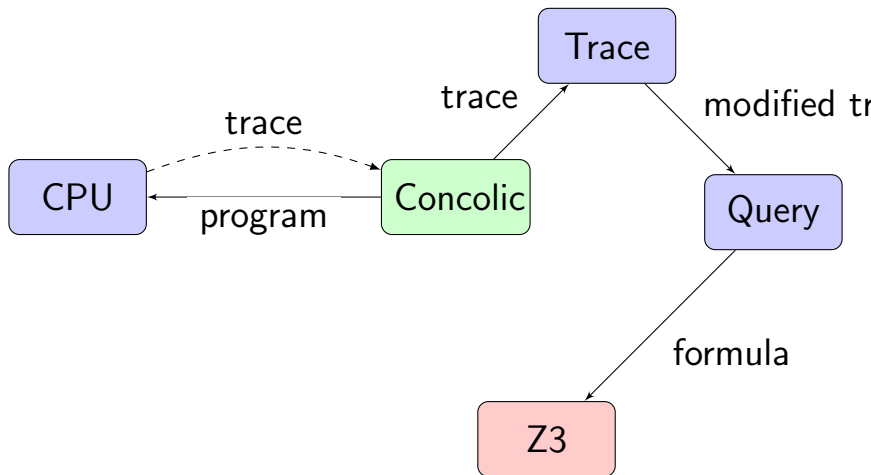
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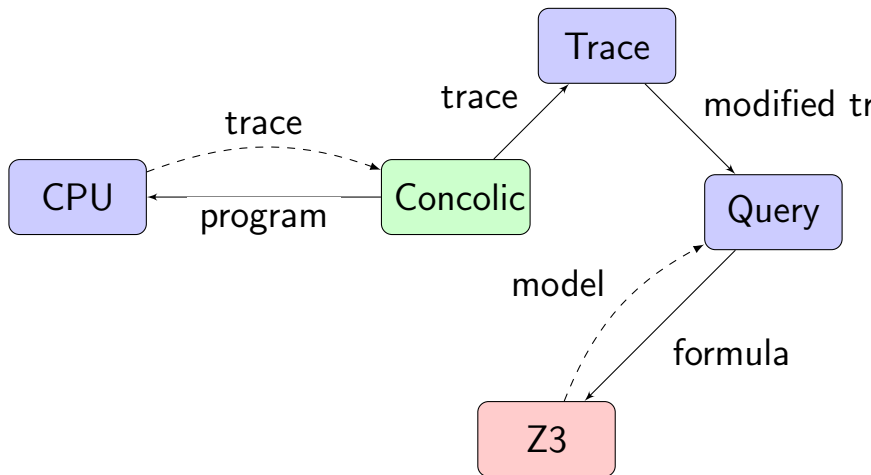
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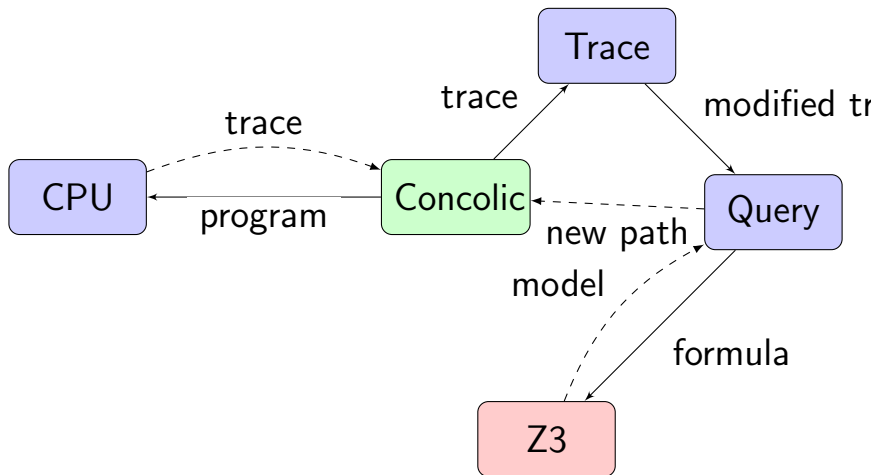
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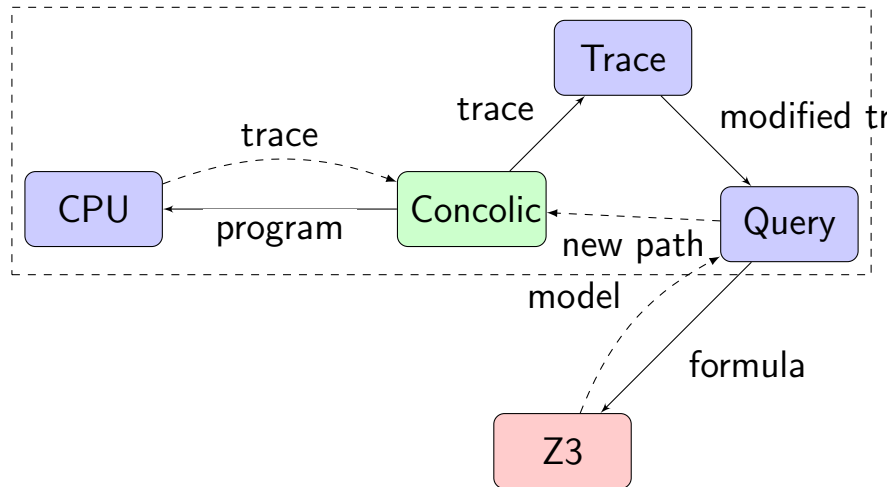


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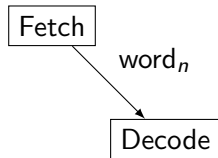
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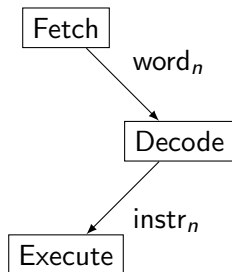
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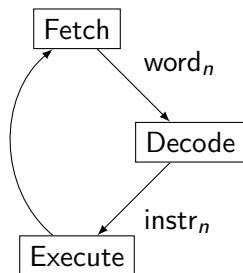
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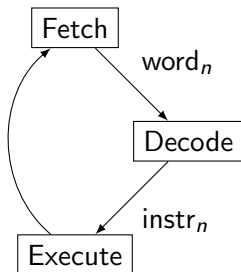
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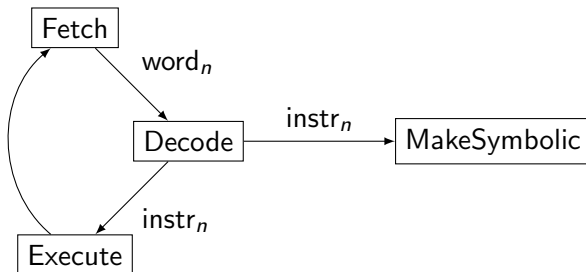
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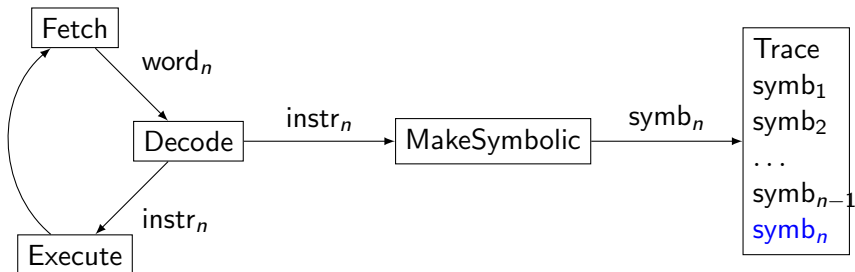
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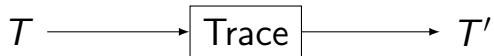
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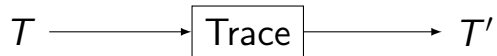
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<code>add \$3, \$pc, \$0</code>	$r_3 \leftarrow 0x8BADF00D$
<code>lis \$3; 42</code>	$r_3 \leftarrow 42$

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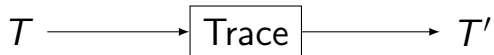


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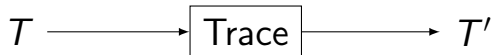
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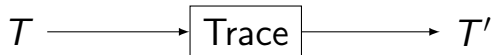
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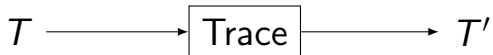
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Sub(\$1, \$1, \$2)		

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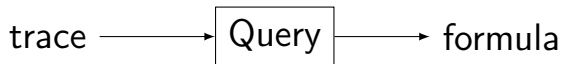
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Query



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trace:

```
add $3, $1, $2  
slt $4, $1, $2  
add $5, $1, $0  
$4 != $5
```

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(check-sat) (get-model)
```