



CSE355 - Applications of Finite state machines

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Ariane 5 - June 4th, 1996

- Video on [YouTube](#).



Ariane 5 - The catastrophe

- Ariane 5, an unmanned rocket, was launched on 4th June 1996. The program had been running for 10 years, costing **\$7 billions**. The rocket and its cargo itself cost **\$500 millions**.
- The rocket exploded 37s after launching, due to **software error**. The error occurred when an attempt to convert a 64-bit floating point number to a signed 16-bit integer caused the number to overflow. There was no exception handler associated with the conversion so the system exception management facilities were invoked, which shut down the software.
- Interestingly, the same program functioned perfectly on Ariane 4, and was copied to Ariane 5 for that reason. What had changed, was the **physical system around the software**.
- Report: [Ariane 501 Inquiry Board report](#)



Lessons from Ariane 5 ...

Case for model-based CPS verification:

Does the embedded software "behave" correctly given the new model of the physical system?

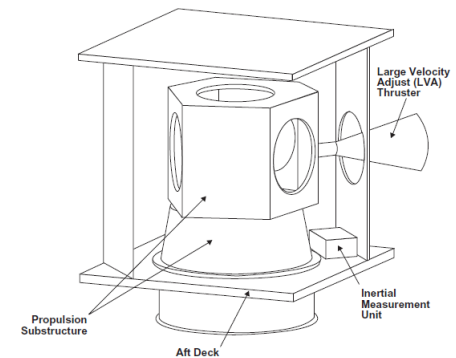
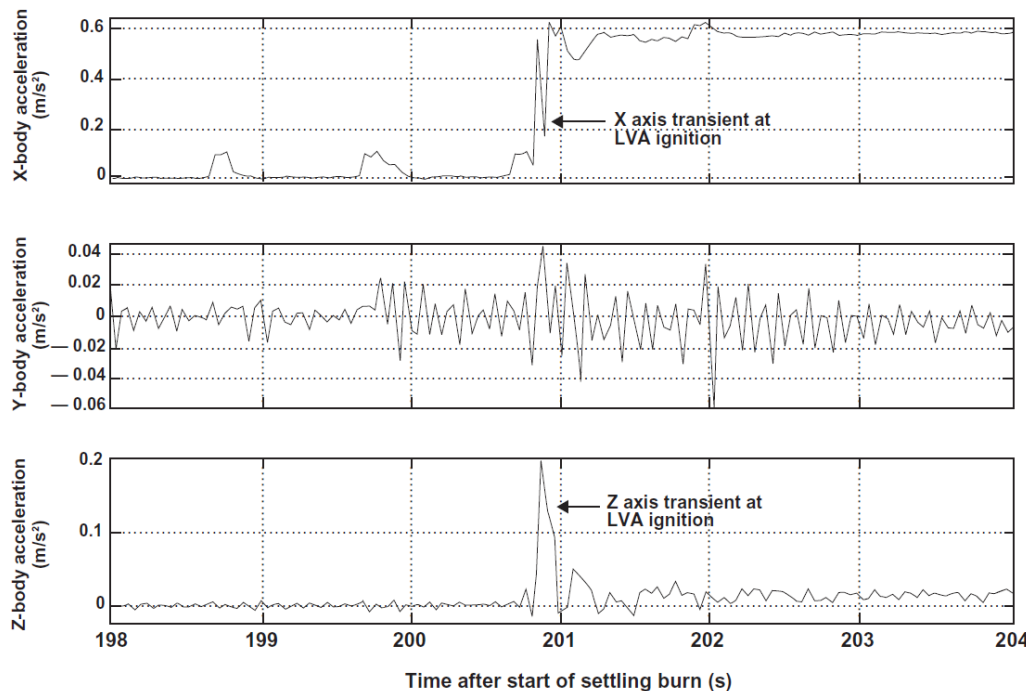
Case for model based design and automatic code generation:

Generate code for the system instead of porting code

Near Earth Asteroid Rendezvous (NEAR)*

- Dec. 20, 1998: 3 years en route to 433 Eros
- Executes a 15min main engine burn to place vehicle in orbit about the asteroid
- The software detects a **transient** in the lateral acceleration that exceeded the coded bounds in the software
 - the mechanical system could sustain the forces

DSM acceleration 3 July 1997



* Hoffman, E. J.; Ebert, W. L.; Femiano, M. D.; Freeman, H. R.; Gay, C. J.; Jones, C. P.; Luers, P. J. & Palmer, J. G. The NEAR rendezvous Burn Anomaly of December 1998
Applied Physics Laboratory, Johns Hopkins University, 1999

Near Earth Asteroid Rendezvous (NEAR)

- The software shuts down the engine and uses thrusters to place NEAR in an earth-safe attitude
- After the thrusters, the software had to switch to reaction wheels for attitude control
 - Code for transition from thrusters to reaction wheels was missing!
 - The momentum was high so wheels were spinning faster than the limits set in software \Rightarrow wheels were ignored in the computation
- etc etc
- Bottom line: most of the mission's fuel was wasted before earth gets control again! Mission was completed 13 months later.

Therac-25 (1985-87)

- Computerized radiation therapy with 2 modes
 - Direct electron beam: low doses of high energy for short time
 - X-rays: high energy electrons, it required 4 additional components (target, flattening filter, collimator and X-ray ion chamber) in the path of the beam
- The accidents occurred when x-ray therapy was activated without the target in place.
- 6 cases of serious injuries and deaths due to massive radiation
- Overconfidence in software to ensure safety
 - Old models had mechanical locks and old code was reused
 - System supported a multitasking environment and the software allowed concurrent access to shared data (equipment control task and operator interface task)
 - Overflow in a flag variable causing the software to bypass safety checks.

Random sampling of automobile recalls

- **Volvo XC70 ELECTRICAL SYSTEM: SOFTWARE Recall – ID# 26160**
 - THE DIAGNOSTIC SOFTWARE IN THE CENTRAL ELECTRONIC MODULE (CEM) MAY CAUSE A MALFUNCTION OF THE WINDSHIELD WIPER FUNCTIONALITY. IF THIS CONDITION OCCURS, THE WINDSHIELD WIPERS MAY NOT OPERATE WHEN ACTIVATED; OR IN CERTAIN CASES THE WINDSHIELD WIPERS MAY ACTIVATE WHEN NOT SWITCHED ON.
- **M3 POWER TRAIN: CLUTCH ASSEMBLY Recall – ID# 35703**
 - BMW IS RECALLING 2,500 MY 2008-2009 M3 PASSENGER VEHICLES WITH AN OPTIONAL DOUBLE CLUTCH TRANSMISSION. THE PROBLEM INVOLVES THE DOUBLE CLUTCH GEARBOX. IN A SITUATION OF RAPID VEHICLE DECELERATION, THE TRANSMISSION SOFTWARE MAY PERFORM A MULTISTAGE DOWNSHIFT.
- **Toyota Recalls 75,000 Prius Hybrids for Software Glitch**
 - Toyota Motor Sales announced on October 13th that it will carry out a voluntary recall of about 75,000 Prius hybrids sold in the United States due to a software problem. Certain 2004 and early 2005 model year Priuses could enter a "fail-safe" mode that shuts down the engine, allowing only limited operation using the electric motor. The problem, caused by a software error in the Electronic Control Module (ECM) system, triggers up to five warning lights while shutting down the engine.

Random sampling of recalls

- **2005-2009 Mercedes SLK-Class NHTSA Campaign Number: 08V303000**
 - A software calibration number (SCN) coding received on the affected vehicles during a recent workshop visit was incorrect. Depending on the model year and model affected, the results of an incorrect SCN coding can affect a number of vehicle safety and emission functions including the following types of functions: (1) the fuel gauge readings may be incorrect; (2) a stuck fuel-level sensor may not be displayed in the instrument cluster; (3) the OBD system may cause the check engine light to illuminate incorrectly; and, (4) the speedometer may be out of tolerance. In the event of a vehicle crash, the electrical fuel pump may not receive a crash signal that is required for the fuel pump to disconnect and prevent future fuel delivery as designed.
- **F-350 POWER TRAIN:AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION:CONTROL MODULE (TCM, PCM) Recall - ID# 24950**
 - Model Affected 2008 FORD F-350
 - ON CERTAIN TRUCKS EQUIPPED WITH A 6.4L DIESEL ENGINE, EXCESSIVE TEMPERATURES IN THE DIESEL PARTICULATE FILTER IN THE EXHAUST SYSTEM MAY RESULT FROM EXCESS HYDROCARBONS IN THE EXHAUST.
 - LACK OF POWER OR ROUGH OPERATION, UNUSUAL NOISES FROM THE ENGINE OR EXHAUST, WHITE SMOKE FROM THE EXHAUST, AND POTENTIALLY A VISIBLE FLAME OUT THE TAILPIPE CAN OCCUR.
 - DEALERS WILL REPROGRAM THE POWER TRAIN CONTROL MODULE.

Model-based Design (MBD)

Model based design environment

Simulink
SCADE
LabView
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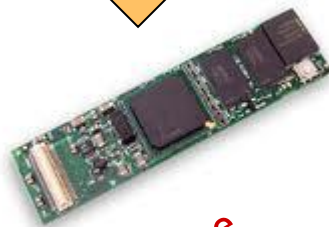
Who knows what else
might appear in the
future!

Modeling:
We need to know the
theory and use any of
the tools.

Formal Verification

Scheduling/
WCET

Code
Generation



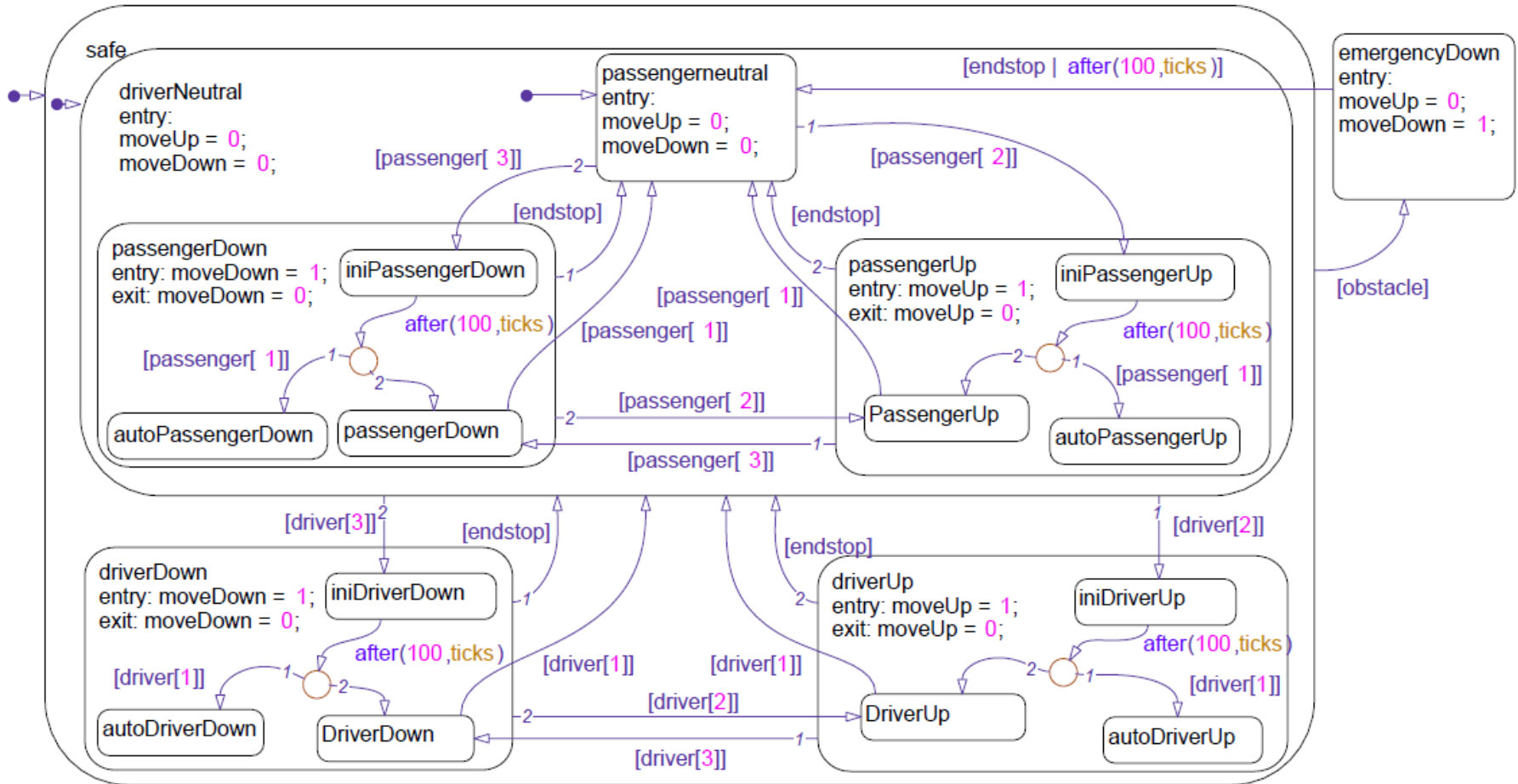
Hardware

Interfacing with
the physical world

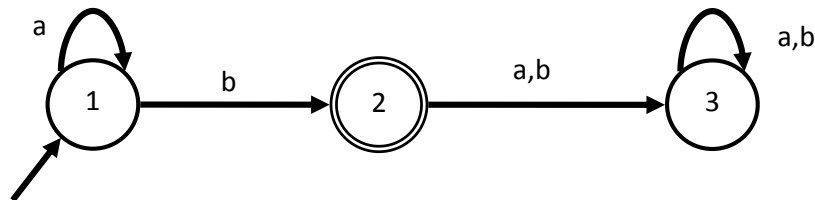


SCADE

Matlab Simulink/Stateflow model of Power window system



Compare with ...

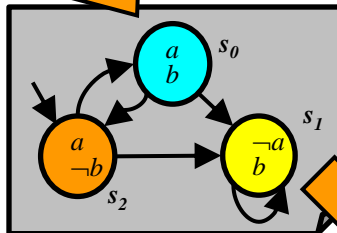


Model Checking:

Is our code correct??

```
node Val_Lim(e1 : real; Min, Max : real)
  returns (s1 : real) ;
var xmin:real, xmax : real;
let
  (xmax , xmin) = if (Max >= Min)
    then (Max , Min)
    else (Min , Max) ;
  s1 = if (xmax <= e1)
    then xmax
    else (if (e1 > xmin)
      then e1
      else xmin)
tel.
```

Extract model



Formalize
Specification

$A[Ga \Rightarrow (Xb \vee \neg a)]$

Model Checker

YES
Witness

NO
Counter Example



Toy Model Checking:

Model checking with regular languages

- Both the specification A and the system B can be viewed as languages
- The language for the specification contains all the behaviors that are considered correct

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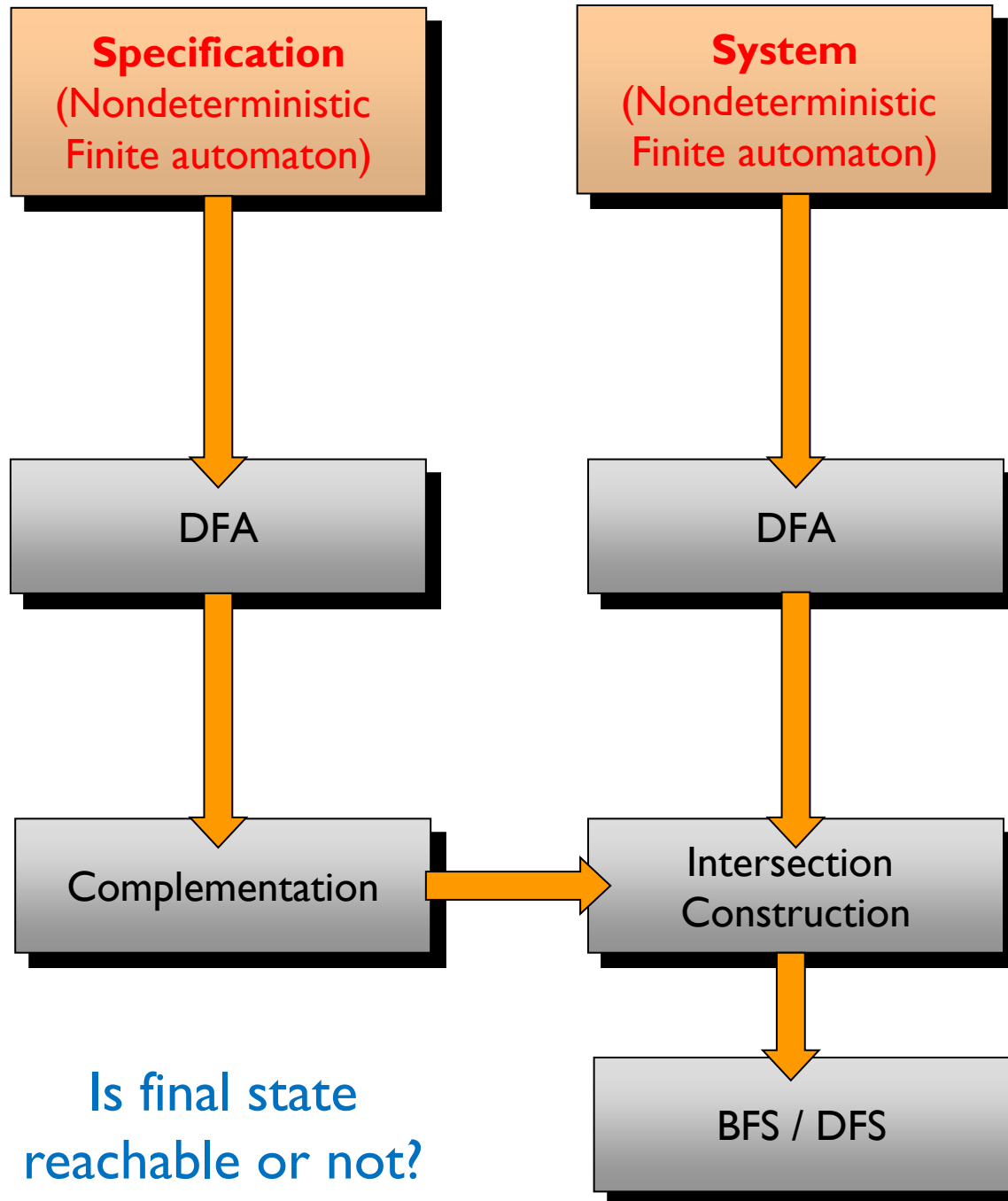
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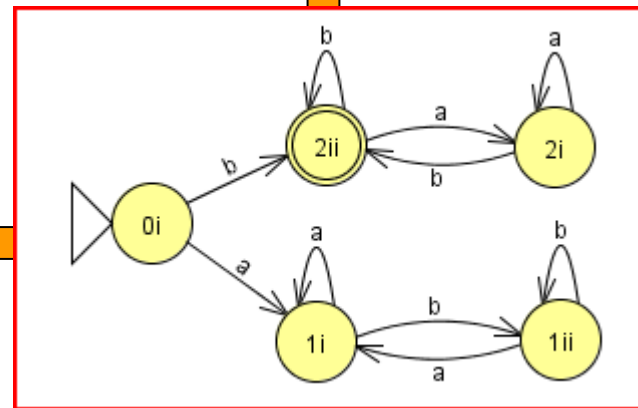
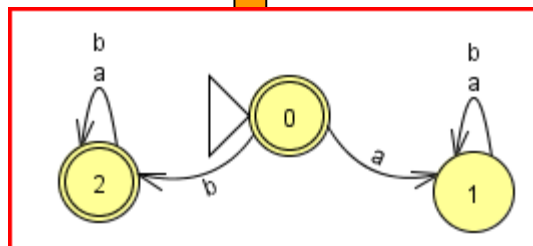
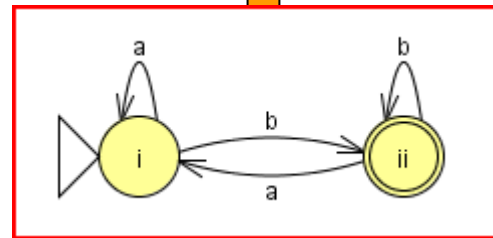
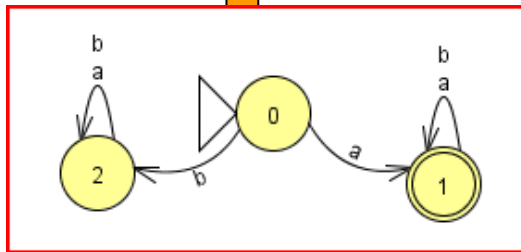
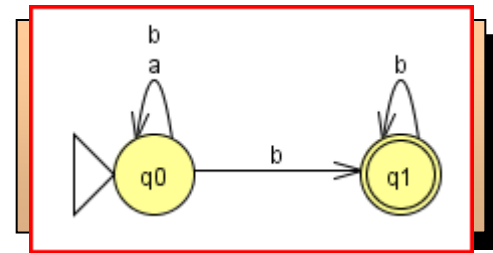
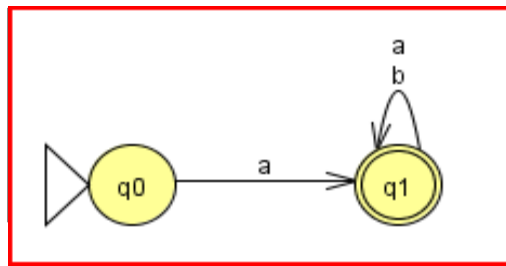
- Trace containment can be turned into emptiness checking
 - "Negate" the specification, i.e., complement the specification automaton:

$$L(A') = \overline{L(A)}$$

- Subset corresponds to empty intersection:

$$L(B) \subseteq L(A) \Leftrightarrow L(B) \cap \overline{L(A)} = \emptyset$$





Is final state
reachable or not?



String
b

Companies & Laboratories

- NEC through NEC Research Labs
 - Systems Analysis & Verification Group (http://www.nec-labs.com/research/system/systems_SAV-website/index.php)
- Microsoft through Microsoft Research
 - Foundations of Software Engineering (<http://research.microsoft.com/en-us/groups/foundations/>)
 - Software Reliability Research (<http://research.microsoft.com/en-us/groups/srr/>)
 - More groups browse:
<http://research.microsoft.com/apps/dp/gr/groups.aspx#p=1&ps=36&so=1&sb=&fr=&to=&fd=&td=&rt=&f=&a=&pn=&pa=&pd=>
- NASA JPL
 - Laboratory for Reliable Software (<http://eis.jpl.nasa.gov/lars/>)

Companies & Laboratories

- National Institute of Aerospace (NIA)
 - Formal Methods research program
(<http://www.nianet.org/resources/Research/Computational-Science/Formal-Methods.aspx>)
- IBM
 - Computer Science Principles and Methodologies Group
(<http://www.almaden.ibm.com/cs/disciplines/pm/>)
- Rockwell Collins
 - Automated Analysis (Advanced Technology Center)
(<http://www.rockwellcollins.com/about/innovation/atc/index.html>)
- and many more ([HP labs](#), [ATT Labs](#), [PARC](#) etc)