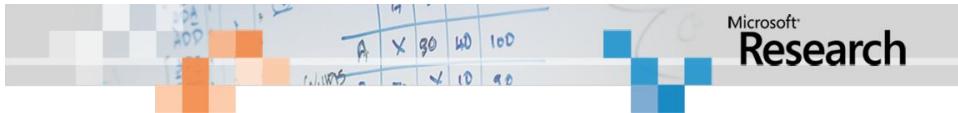


# Satisfiability Modulo Theories solvers in Program Analysis and Verification

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## Tutorial overview

- Appetizers
  - SMT solving
  - Applications
- Applications at Microsoft Research
- Background
  - Basics, DPLL( $\emptyset$ ), Equality, Arithmetic, DPLL(T), Arrays, Matching
- Z3 – An Efficient SMT solver



# SMT

## Appetizer

### Domains from programs

- Bits and bytes  $0 = ((x - 1) \& x) \Leftrightarrow x = 00100000..00$
- Arithmetic  $x + y = y + x$
- Arrays  $\text{read}(\text{write}(a, i, 4), i) = 4$
- Records  $\text{mkpair}(x, y) = \text{mkpair}(z, u) \Rightarrow x = z$
- Heaps  $n \rightarrow^* n' \wedge m = \text{cons}(a, n) \Rightarrow m \rightarrow^* n'$
- Data-types  $\text{car}(\text{cons}(x, \text{nil})) = x$
- Object inheritance  $B <: A \wedge C <: B \Rightarrow C <: A$

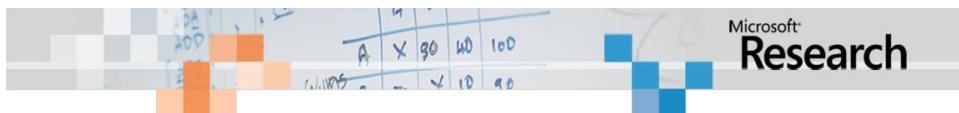
# Satisfiability Modulo Theories (SMT)

$x + 2 = y \Rightarrow f[read[write(a, x, 3), y - 2)] = f(y - x + 1)$

Arithmetic

Arrays

Free Functions

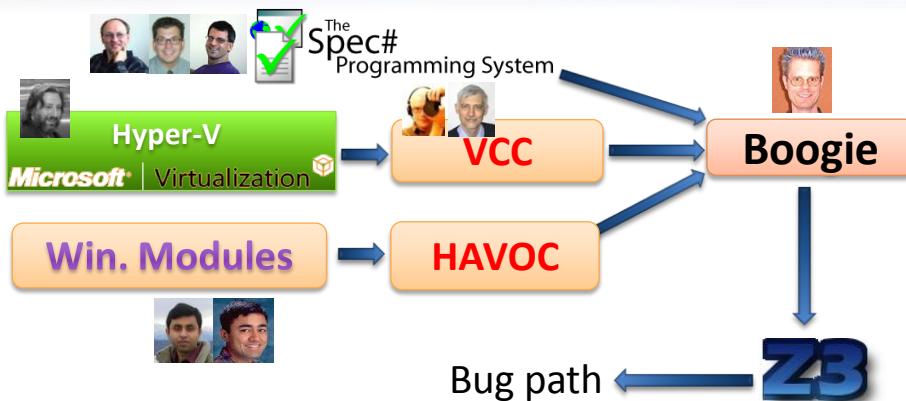


## *Applications Appetizer*

# Some takeaways from Applications

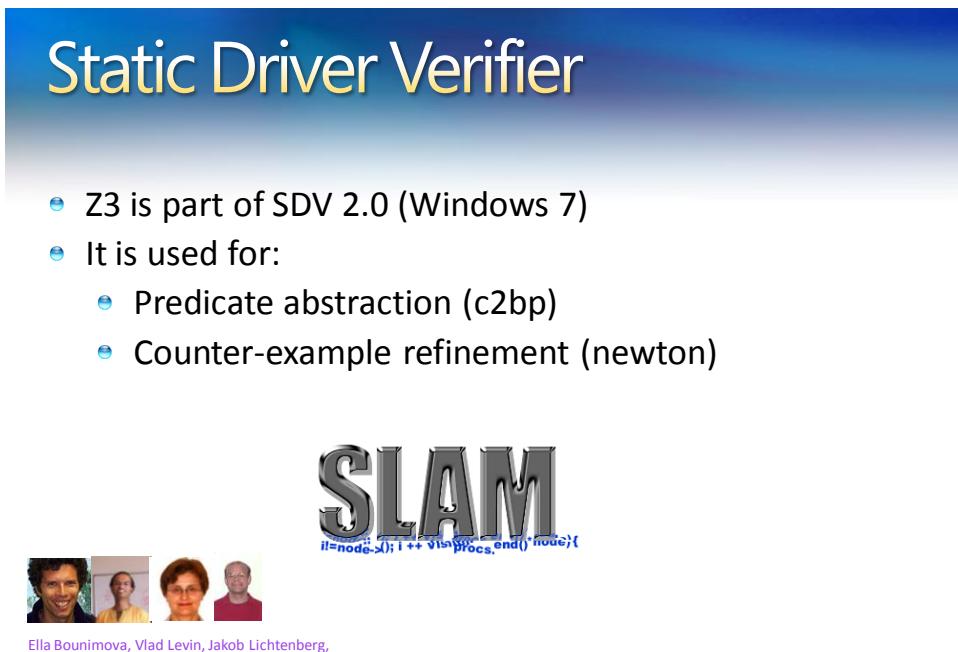
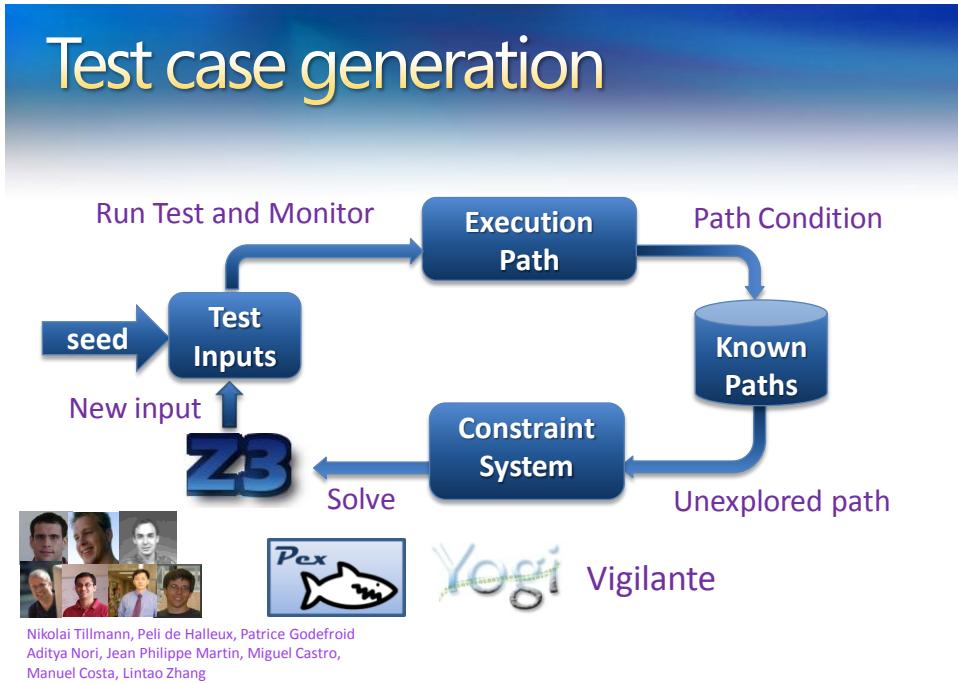
- SMT solvers are used in several applications:
  - Program Verification
  - Program Analysis
  - Program Exploration
  - Software Modeling
- SMT solvers are
  - directly applicable, or
  - disguised beneath a transformation
- Theories and quantifiers supply abstractions
  - Replace ad-hoc, often non-scalable, solutions

# Program Verification



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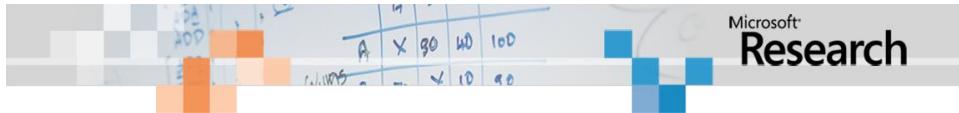


# More applications

- Bounded model-checking of model programs
- Termination
- Security protocols, F#/7
- Business application modeling
- Cryptography
- Model Based Testing (SQL-Server)
- Verified garbage collectors



# Applications



# Program Exploration with *Pex*



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<http://research.microsoft.com/Pex>



The background of this slide is a blue gradient, transitioning from dark blue at the top to light blue at the bottom. The title "What is *Pex*" is centered in the upper half of the slide in a large, yellow, stylized font.

**What is *Pex***

- Test input generator
  - Pex starts from parameterized unit tests
  - Generated tests are emitted as traditional unit tests
- Dynamic symbolic execution framework
  - Analysis of .NET instructions (bytecode)
  - Instrumentation happens automatically at JIT time
  - Using SMT-solver Z3 to check satisfiability and generate models = test inputs

# ArrayList: The Spec

The screenshot shows the MSDN .NET Framework Developer Center. The main content area displays the **ArrayList.Add Method** documentation. It includes the method's purpose ("Adds an object to the end of the [ArrayList](#)."), its **Namespace** ([System.Collections](#)), and the **Assembly** (`mscorlib (in mscorlib.dll)`). Below this, the **Remarks** section contains two paragraphs of text. A sidebar on the left lists various Microsoft namespaces.

# ArrayList: AddItem Test

The screenshot shows the MSDN .NET Framework Developer Center. The main content area displays the **ArrayList.Add Method** documentation, identical to the one above. To the left, there is a code editor window containing two C# code snippets. The top snippet is a test class `ArrayListTest` with a single `AddItem` method. The bottom snippet is the implementation of the `ArrayList` class, specifically showing the `Add` method.

```

class ArrayListTest {
    [TestMethod]
    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; 
    ...
}

```

# ArrayList: Starting Pex...

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

Inputs

```
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; }
    ...
}
```

# 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

(0,null)

```
class ArrayList {
    object[] items;
    int count;

    ArrayList(int capacity) {
        if (capacity < 0) throw ...;
        items = new object[capacity];
    }

    void Add(object item) {
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            ResizeArray();

        items[this.count++] = item; }
    ...
}
```

# ArrayList: Run 1, (0,null)

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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 → 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); }
}
```

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

```
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) 0 == c → true
        ResizeArray();

        items[this.count++] = item; }
    ...
}
```

0 == c → true

# 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)	$!(c < 0) \ \&\& \ 0 == c$

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; }
    ...
}
```

# ArrayList: Picking the next branch to cover

```
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
$!(c < 0) \ \&\& \ 0 != c$	(0,null)	$!(c < 0) \ \&\& \ 0 == c$

```
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; }
    ...
}
```

## ArrayList Solve constraints 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 {
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        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	(1,null)	

Z3

Constraint solver

Z3 has decision procedures for  
- Arrays  
- Linear integer arithmetic  
- Bitvector arithmetic  
- ...  
- (Everything but floating-point numbers)

## 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) 0 == c → false
        ResizeArray();

        items[this.count++] = item; }
    ...
}
```

Constraints to solve	Inputs	Observed Constraints
	(0,null)	!(c<0) && 0==c
!(c<0) && 0!=c	(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); }
}
```

Constraints to solve	Inputs	Observed Constraints
	(0,null)	!(c<0) && 0==c
!(c<0) && 0!=c	(1,null)	!(c<0) && 0!=c
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; }
    ...
}
```

## 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) && 0!=c	(1,null)	!(c<0) && 0!=c
c<0	(-1,null)	

```
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; }
    ...
}
```

## ArrayList Run 3, (-1, null)

```
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        list.Add(item);
        Assert(list[0] == item); }
}
```

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

```
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    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

## 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); }
}
```

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        items[this.count++] = item; }
    ...
}
```

## Pex – Test more with less effort

- Reduce testing costs
  - Automated analysis, reproducible results
- Produce more secure software
  - White-box code analysis
- Produce more reliable software
  - Analysis based on contracts written as code

## White box testing in practice

### How to test this code?

(Real code from .NET base class libraries.)

```
[SecurityPermissionAttribute(SecurityAction.LinkDemand, Flags=SecurityPermissionFlag.SerializationFormatter)]
public ResourceReader(Stream stream)
{
    if (stream==null)
        throw new ArgumentNullException("stream");
    if (!stream.CanRead)
        throw new ArgumentException(Environment.GetResourceString("Argument_StreamNotReadable"));

    _resCache = new Dictionary<String, ResourceLocator>(FastResourceComparer.Default);
    _store = new BinaryReader(stream, Encoding.UTF8);
    // We have a faster code path for reading resource files from an assembly.
    _ums = stream as UnmanagedMemoryStream;

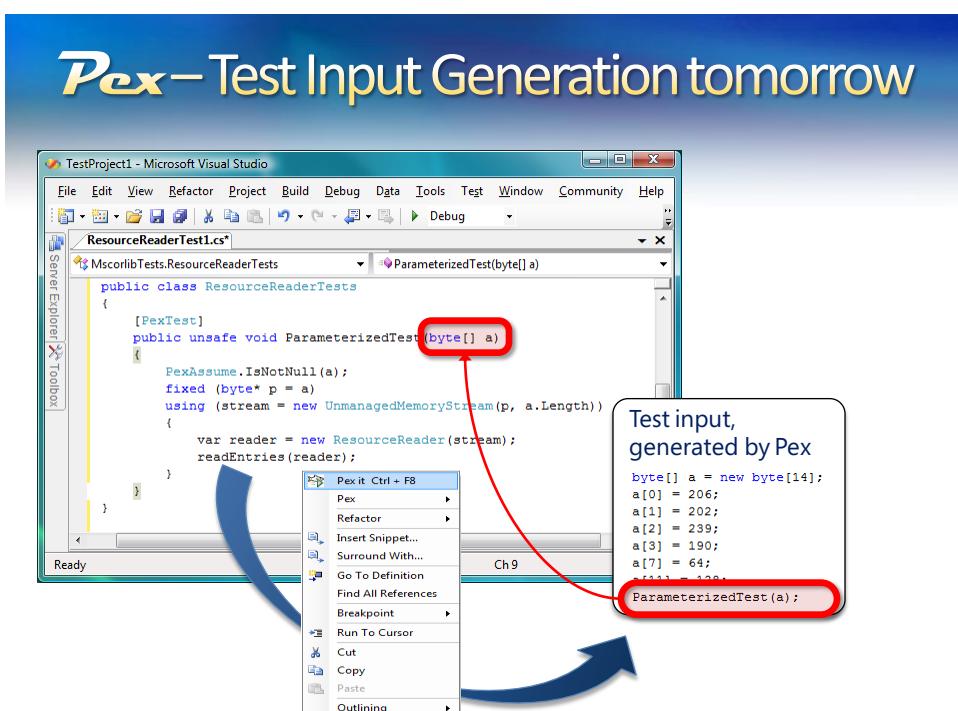
    BCLDebug.Log("RESMGRFILEFORMAT", "ResourceReader .ctor(Stream). UnmanagedMemoryStream: "+(_ums!=null));
    ReadResources();
}
```

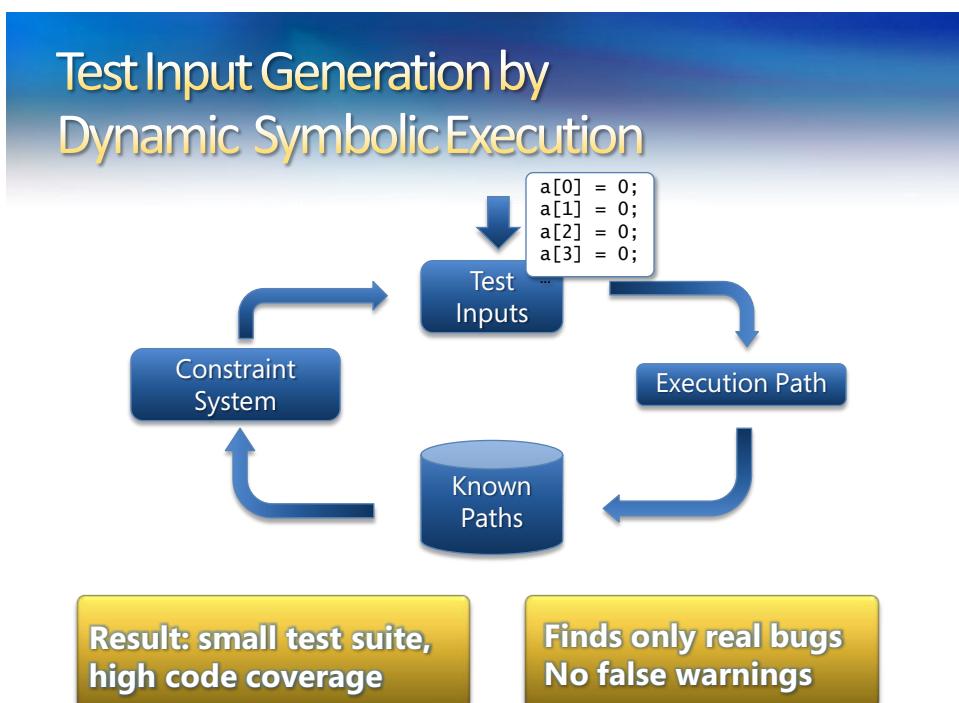
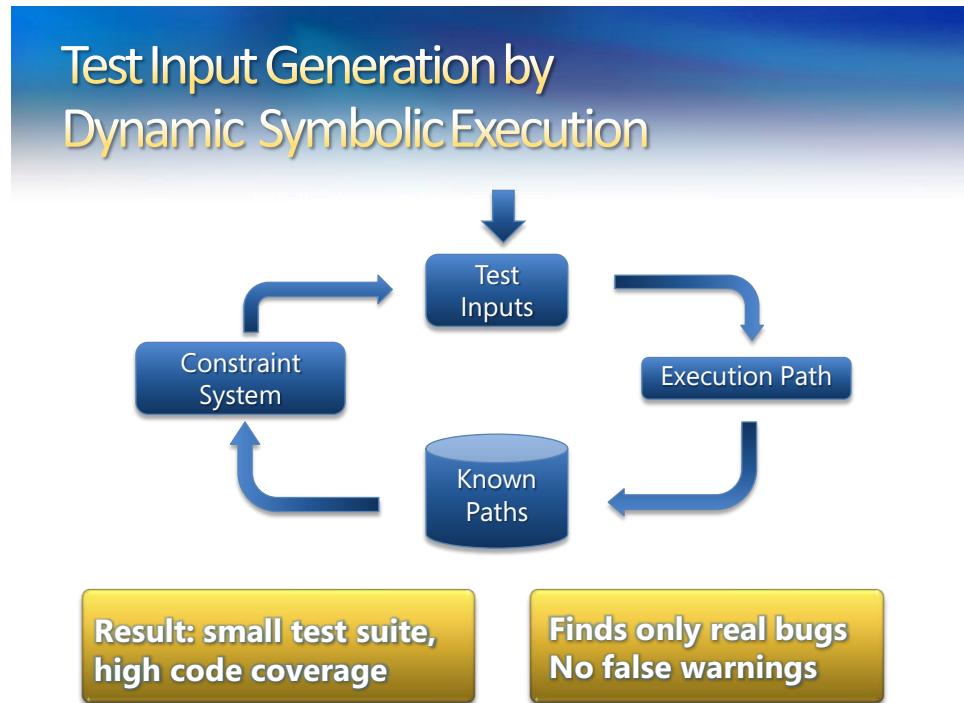
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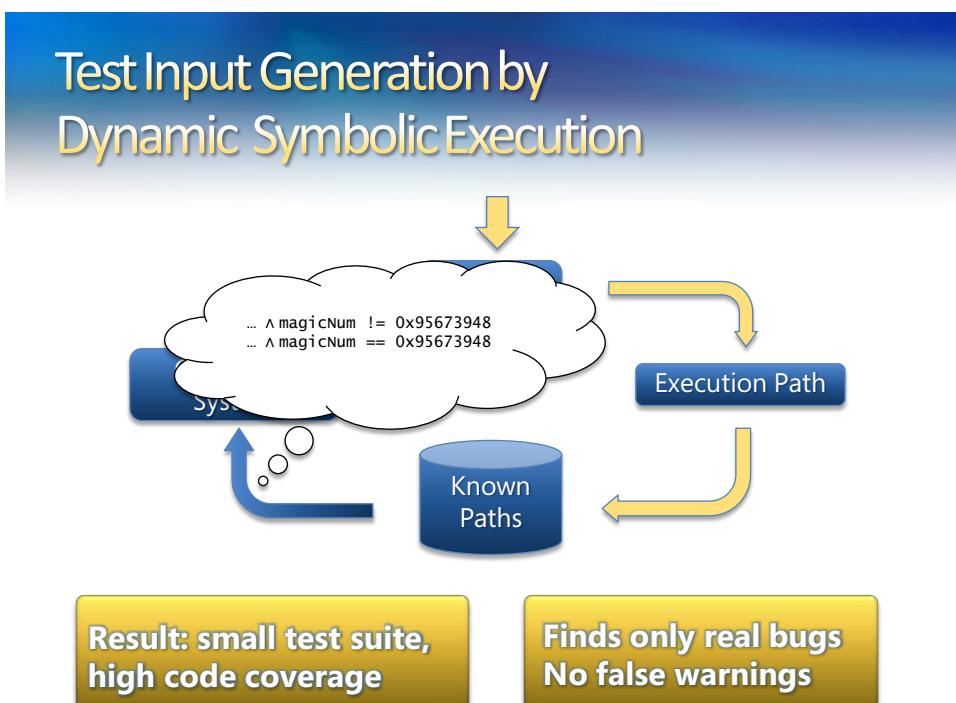
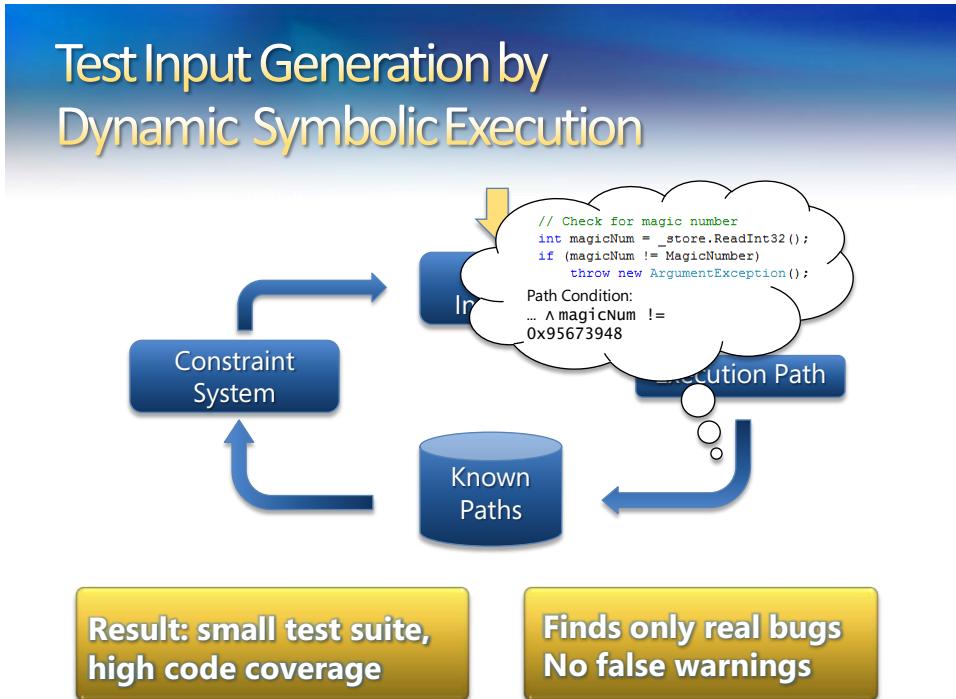
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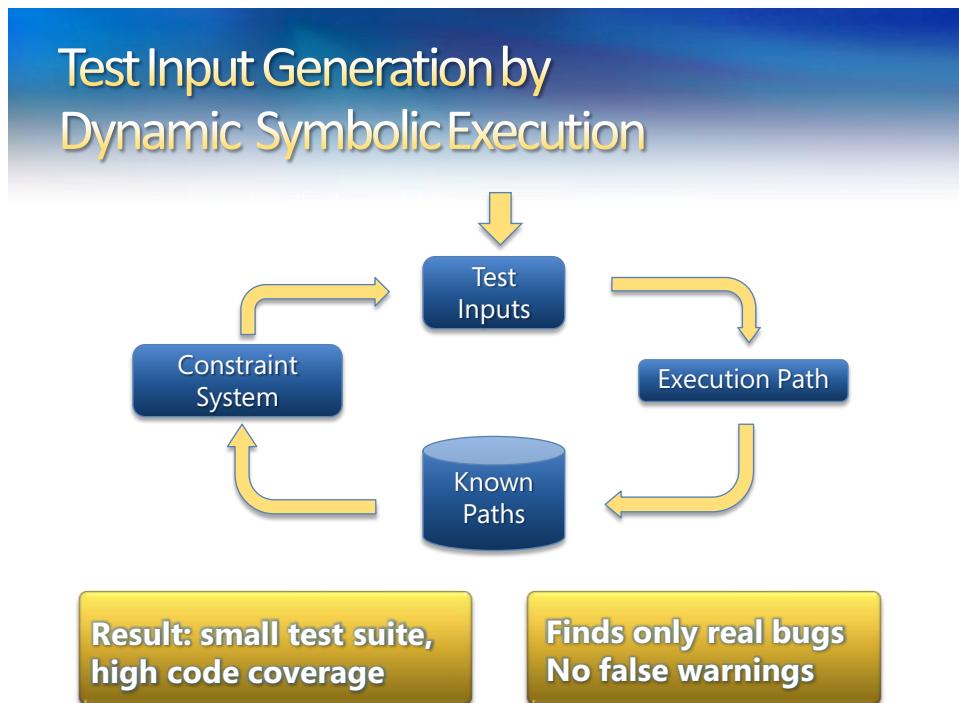
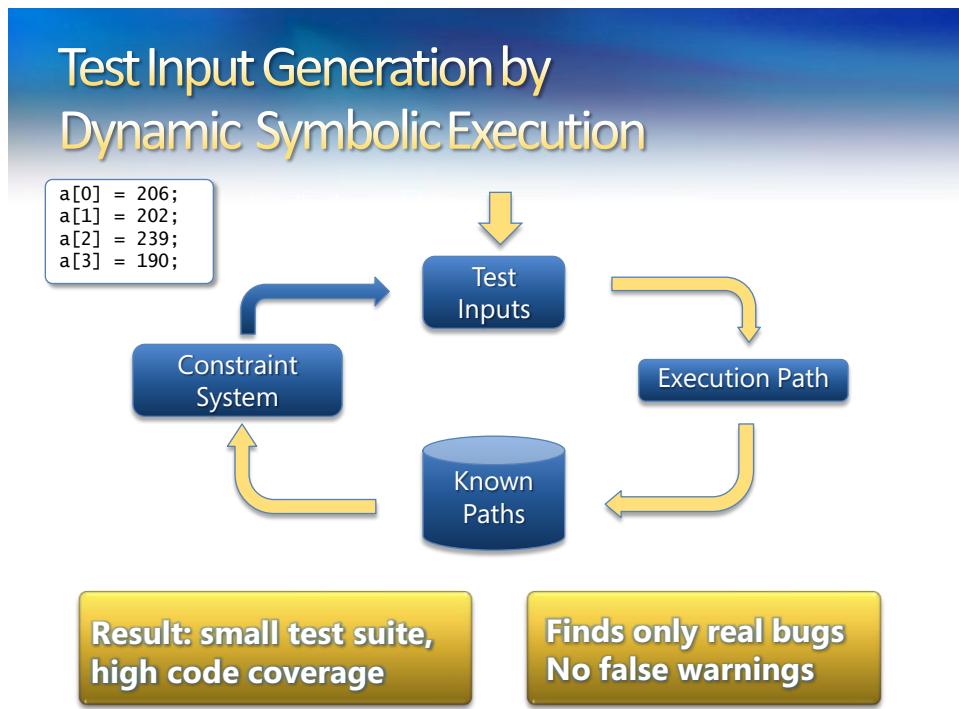
// Reads in the header information for a .resources file. Verifies some
// of the assumptions about this resource set, and builds the class table
// for the default resource file format.
private void ReadResources()
{
    BCLDebug.Assert(_store != null, "ResourceReader is closed!");
    BinaryFormatter bf = new BinaryFormatter(null, new StreamingContext(StreamingContextStates.File |
#if !FEATURE_PAL
    _typeLimitingBinder = new TypeLimitingDeserializationBinder();
    bf.Binder = _typeLimitingBinder;
#endif
_objFormatter = bf;
try {
    // Read ResourceManager header
    // Check for magic number
    int magicNum = _store.ReadInt32();
    if (public virtual int ReadInt32() {
        if (m_isMemoryStream) {
            // read directly from MemoryStream Buffer
            // MemoryStream mStream = m_stream as MemoryStream;
            BCLDebug.Assert(mStream != null, "m_stream as MemoryStream != null");
            int if
                return mStream.InternalReadInt32();
            }
            else
            {
                FillBuffer(4);
                return (int)(m_buffer[0] | m_buffer[1] << 8 | m_buffer[2] << 16 | m_buffer[3] << 24);
            }
        }
    }
    // Read in type name for a suitable ResourceReader
}

```

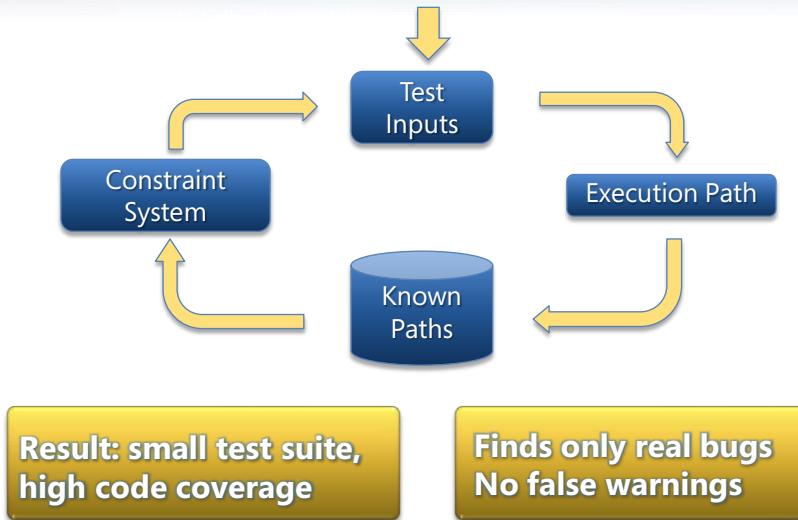








# Automatic Test Input Generation: Whole-program, white box code analysis



## Constraint Solving: Preprocessing

Independent constraint optimization + Constraint caching (similar to EXE)

- Idea: Related execution paths give rise to "similar" constraint systems
- Example: Consider  $x>y \wedge z>0$  vs.  $x>y \wedge z<=0$
- If we already have a cached solution for a "similar" constraint system, we can reuse it
  - $x=1, y=0, z=1$  is solution for  $x>y \wedge z>0$
  - we can obtain a solution for  $x>y \wedge z<=0$  by
    - reusing old solution of  $x>y$ :  $x=1, y=0$
    - combining with solution of  $z<=0$ :  $z=0$

# Constraint Solving: Z3

- **Rich Combination:** Solvers for uninterpreted functions with equalities, linear integer arithmetic, bitvector arithmetic, arrays, tuples
- Formulas may be a big conjunction
  - Pre-processing step
  - Eliminate variables and simplify input format
- **Universal quantifiers**
  - Used to model custom theories, e.g. .NET type system
- **Model generation**
  - Models used as test inputs
- **Incremental** solving
  - Given a formula  $F$ , find a model  $M$ , that minimizes the value of the variables  $x_0 \dots x_n$
  - **Push / Pop** of contexts for model minimization
- **Programmatic API**
  - For small constraint systems, text through pipes would add huge overhead

# Monitoring by Code Instrumentation

```

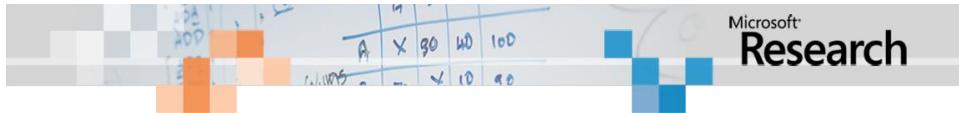
class Point { int x; int y;
public static int GetX(Point p) {
    if (p != null) return p.X;
    else return -1; }
}

L0:   ldtoken     Point::GetX
      call      __Monitor::EnterMethod
      brfalse L0
      ldarg.0
      call      __Monitor::NextArgument
      .try {
        .try {
          call      __Monitor::LDARG_0
          ldarg.0
          call      __Monitor::LDNULL
          ldnull
          call      __Monitor::CEQ
          ceq
          call      __Monitor::BRTRUE
          brtrue   L1
          call      __Monitor::BranchFallthrough
          call      __Monitor::LDARG_0
          ldarg.0
          ...
      }

      Prologue
      Record concrete values
      Save all information
      Method is called
      Context
      (The real C# compiler
       output is actually more
       complicated.)
      ReferenceException {
        call      __Monitor::AtNullReferenceException
        rethrow
      }
      Epilogue
      L4: leave  L5
      } finally {
        .Monitor::LeaveMethod
      }
      Calls to build
      path condition
      ↓
      L5: ldloc.0
      ret
  }

  ldtoken     Point::X
  call      __Monitor::LDFLD_REFERENCE
  ldfld   Point::X
  call      __Monitor::AtDereferenceFallthrough
  br      L2

```



## Spec# and Boogie



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## Verifying Compilers

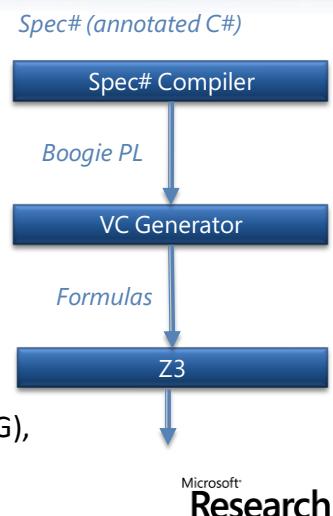
A verifying compiler uses *automated reasoning* to check the correctness of a program that is compiled.

Correctness is specified by *types, assertions, . . . and other redundant annotations* that accompany the program.

Tony Hoare 2004

# Spec# Approach for a Verifying Compiler

- **Source Language**
  - C# + goodies = Spec#
- **Specifications**
  - method contracts,
  - invariants,
  - field and type annotations.
- **Program Logic:**
  - Dijkstra's weakest preconditions.
- **Automatic Verification**
  - type checking,
  - verification condition generation (VCG),
  - automatic theorem proving Z3



## Basic verifier architecture

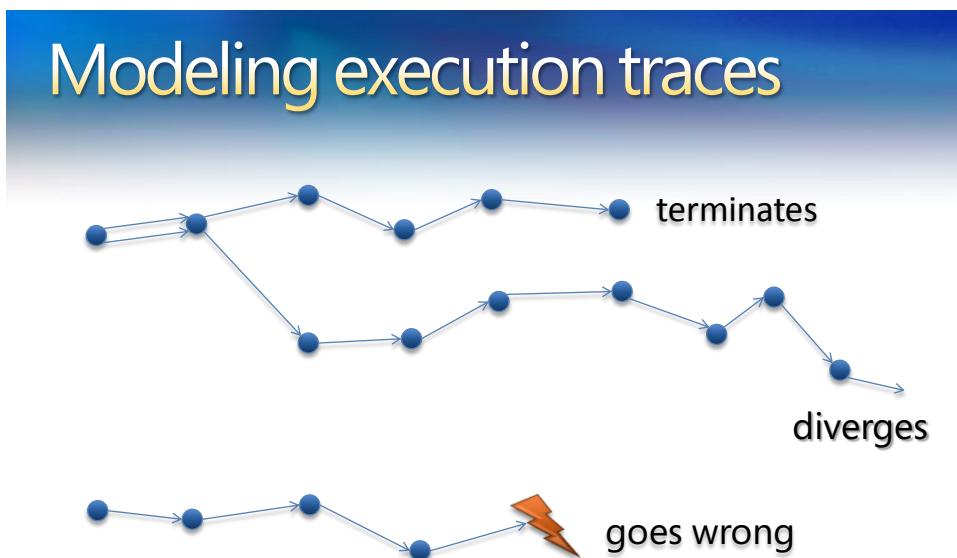
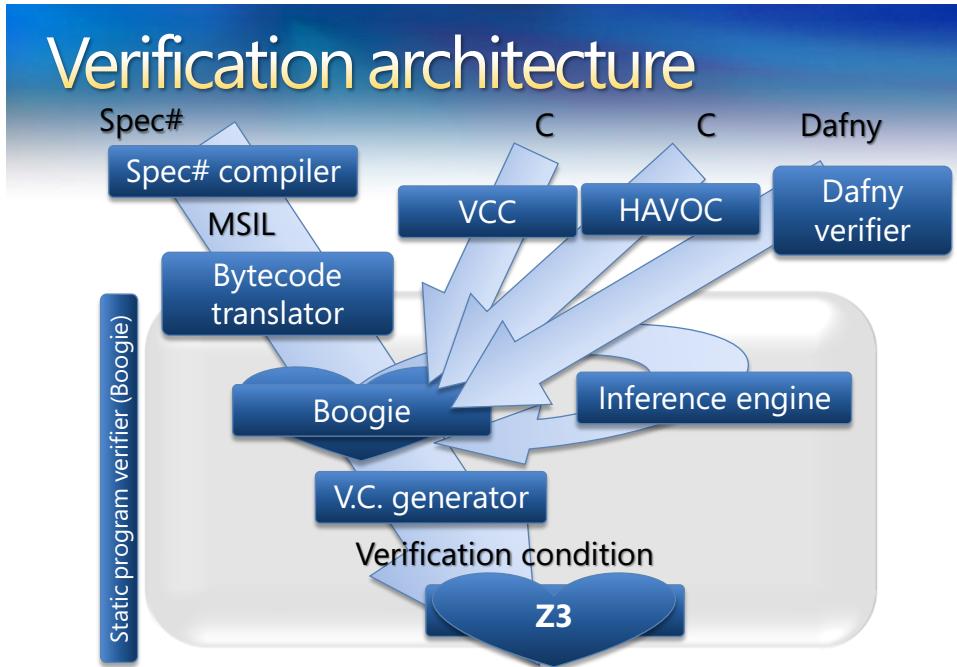
Source language



Intermediate verification language



Verification condition  
(logical formula)



# States and execution traces

- State

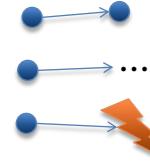
- Cartesian product of variables

(x: int, y: int, z: bool)



- Execution trace

- Nonempty finite sequence of states
- Infinite sequence of states
- Nonempty finite sequence of states followed by special error state



# Command language

- x := E



- x := x + 1

- x := 10



- havoc x

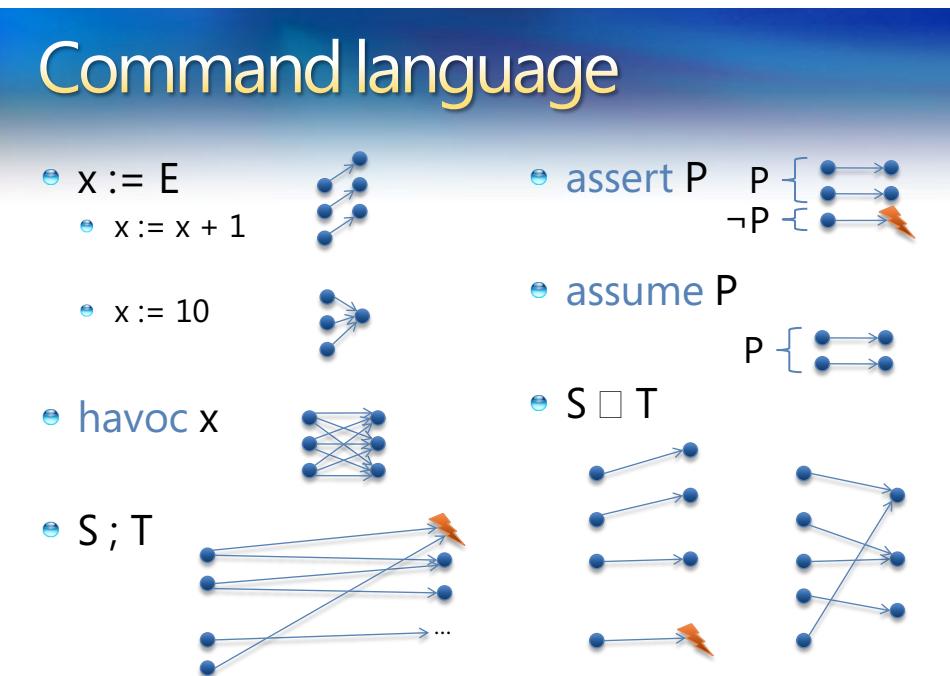
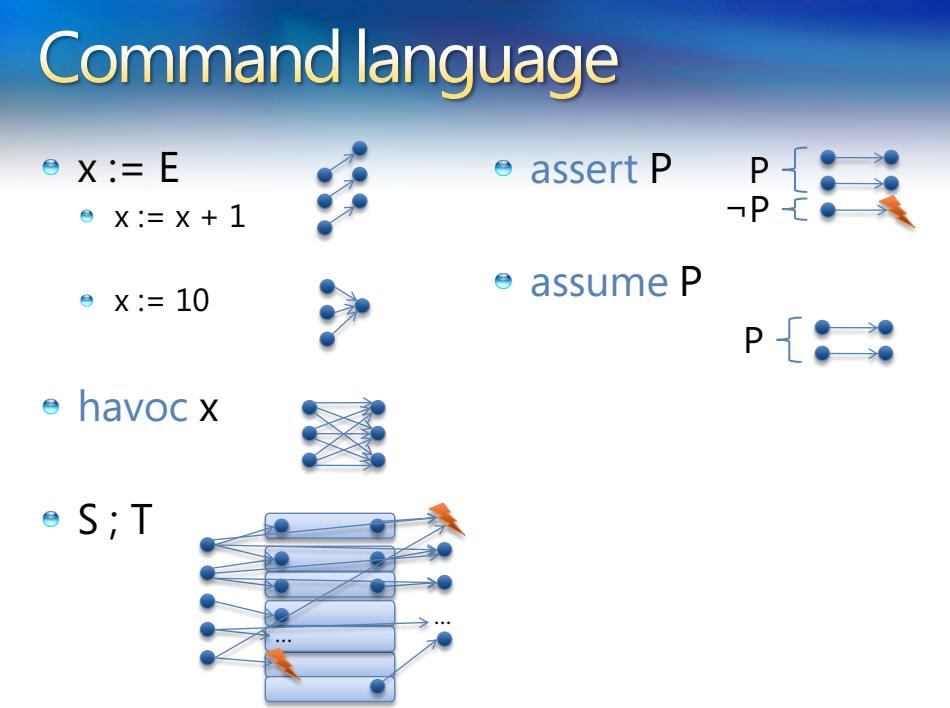


- assert P



- assume P





## Reasoning about execution traces

- Hoare triple      $\{ P \} S \{ Q \}$    says that
  - every terminating execution trace of S that starts in a state satisfying P
  - does not go wrong, and
  - terminates in a state satisfying Q

## Reasoning about execution traces

- Hoare triple      $\{ P \} S \{ Q \}$    says that
  - every terminating execution trace of S that starts in a state satisfying P
  - does not go wrong, and
  - terminates in a state satisfying Q
- Given S and Q, what is the weakest  $P'$  satisfying  $\{P'\} S \{Q\}$  ?
  - $P'$  is called the *weakest precondition* of S with respect to Q, written  $wp(S, Q)$
  - to check  $\{P\} S \{Q\}$ , check  $P \Rightarrow P'$

## Weakest preconditions

- $\text{wp}(x := E, Q) = Q[E/x]$
- $\text{wp}(\text{havoc } x, Q) = (\forall x \bullet Q)$
- $\text{wp}(\text{assert } P, Q) = P \wedge Q$
- $\text{wp}(\text{assume } P, Q) = P \Rightarrow Q$
- $\text{wp}(S ; T, Q) = \text{wp}(S, \text{wp}(T, Q))$
- $\text{wp}(S \square T, Q) = \text{wp}(S, Q) \wedge \text{wp}(T, Q)$

## Structured if statement

`if E then S else T end =`

`assume E; S`

$\square$

`assume  $\neg E$ ; T`

# Dijkstra's guarded command

`if E → S | F → T fi =`

```
assert E ∨ F;
(
  assume E; S
  □
  assume F; T
)
```

# Picking any good value

`assign x such that P =  
havoc x; assume P`



`assign x such that x*x = y`

# Procedures

- A *procedure* is a user-defined command
- procedure M(x, y, z) returns (r, s, t)
  - requires P
  - modifies g, h
  - ensures Q

# Procedure example

- procedure Inc(n) returns (b)
  - requires  $0 \leq n$
  - modifies g
  - ensures  $g = \text{old}(g) + n$

# Procedures

- A *procedure* is a user-defined command
- procedure M(x, y, z) returns (r, s, t)
  - requires P
  - modifies g, h
  - ensures Q
- call a, b, c := M(E, F, G)
  - = x' := E; y' := F; z' := G;
  - assert** P';
  - g0 := g; h0 := h;
  - havoc** g, h, r', s', t';
  - assume** Q';
  - a := r'; b := s'; c := t'

where

- x', y', z', r', s', t', g0, h0 are fresh names
- P' is P with x',y',z' for x,y,z
- Q' is Q with x',y',z',r',s',t',g0,h0 for x,y,z,r,s,t, old(g), old(h)

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# Procedure implementations

- procedure M(x, y, z) returns (r, s, t)
  - requires P
  - modifies g, h
  - ensures Q
- implementation M(x, y, z) returns (r, s, t) is S
  - = **assume** P;
  - g0 := g; h0 := h;
  - S;
  - assert** Q'

where

- g0, h0 are fresh names
- Q' is Q with g0,h0 for old(g), old(h)

syntactically check that S  
assigns only to g,h

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# While loop with loop invariant

```
while E
    invariant J
do
    S
end
```

where x denotes the assignment targets of S

```
= assert J;           check that the loop invariant holds initially
  havoc x; assume J;   } "fast forward" to an arbitrary iteration of the loop
  ( assume E; S; assert J; assume false
  □ assume ¬E         check that the loop invariant is maintained by the loop body
  )
```

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## Properties of the heap

- introduce:

**axiom** ( $\forall h: \text{HeapType}, o: \text{Ref}, f: \text{Field Ref} \bullet$   
 $o \neq \text{null} \wedge h[o, \text{alloc}] \Rightarrow h[o, f] = \text{null} \vee h[h[o, f], \text{alloc}]$ );

# Properties of the heap

- introduce:
 

```
function IsHeap(HeapType) returns (bool);
```
- introduce:
 

```
axiom (∀ h: HeapType, o: Ref, f: Field Ref •
        IsHeap(h) ∧ o ≠ null ∧ h[o, alloc]
        ⇒
        h[o, f] = null ∨ h[h[o,f], alloc] );
```
- introduce: assume IsHeap(Heap)  
after each Heap update; for example:  
 $\text{Tr}[[ \text{E.x := F} ]] =$   
 $\text{assert } ...; \text{Heap}[...] := ...;$   
 $\text{assume IsHeap(Heap)}$

# Methods

- method M(x: X) returns (y: Y)
 

```
requires P; modifies S; ensures Q;
{ Stmt }
```
- procedure M(this: Ref, x: Ref) returns (y: Ref);
 

```
free requires IsHeap(Heap);
free requires this ≠ null ∧ Heap[this, alloc];
free requires x = null ∨ Heap[x, alloc];
requires Df[[ P ]] ∧ Tr[[ P ]];
requires Df[[ S ]];
modifies Heap;
ensures Df[[ Q ]] ∧ Tr[[ Q ]];
ensures (∀⟨α⟩ o: Ref, f: Field α •
          o ≠ null ∧ old(Heap)[o,alloc] ⇒
          Heap[o,f] = old(Heap)[o,f] ∨
          (o,f) ∈ old( Tr[[ S ]] ));
```
- free ensures IsHeap(Heap);
 

```
free ensures y = null ∨ Heap[y, alloc];
free ensures (∀o: Ref • old(Heap)[o,alloc] ⇒ Heap[o,alloc]);
```

## Spec# Chunker.NextChunk translation

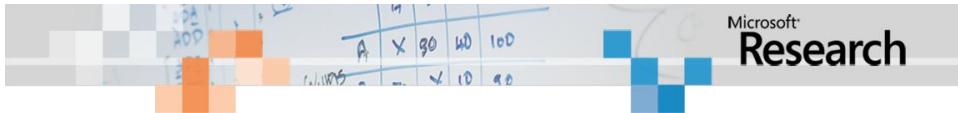
```

procedure Chunker.NextChunk(this: ref where $IsNotNull(this, Chunker)) returns ($result: ref where $IsNotNull($result, System.String));
// in-parameter: target object
free requires $Heap[this, SownerFrame] == $PeerGroupPlaceholder || !($Heap[$Heap[this, SownerRef], $inv] < $Heap[this, SownerFrame]) ||
$Heap[$Heap[this, SownerRef], $localInv] == $BaseClass($Heap[this, SownerFrame])) && !(forall $pc: ref :: $pc != null && $Heap[$pc, $allocated] ==
&& $Heap[$pc, SownerRef] == $Heap[this, SownerRef] && $Heap[$pc, SownerFrame] == $Heap[this, SownerFrame] ==> $Heap[$pc, $inv] ==
$typeof($pc) && $Heap[$pc, $localInv] == $typeof($pc));
// out-parameter: return value
free ensures $Heap[$result, $allocated];
ensures ($Heap[$result, SownerFrame] == $PeerGroupPlaceholder || !($Heap[$Heap[$result, SownerRef], $inv] < $Heap[$result, SownerFrame]) ||
$Heap[$Heap[$result, SownerRef], $localInv] == $BaseClass($Heap[$result, SownerFrame])) && !(forall $pc: ref :: $pc != null && $Heap[$pc,
$allocated] && $Heap[$pc, SownerRef] == $Heap[$result, SownerRef] && $Heap[$pc, SownerFrame] == $Heap[$result, SownerFrame] ==>
$Heap[$pc, $inv] == $typeof($pc) && $Heap[$pc, $localInv] == $typeof($pc));
// user-declared postconditions
ensures $StringLength($result) <= $Heap[this, Chunker.ChunkSize];
// frame condition
modifies $Heap;
free ensures !(forall $o: ref, $f: name :: { $Heap[$o, $f] } $f != $inv && $f != $localInv && $f != $FirstConsistentOwner && !(IsStaticField($f) ||
!IsDirectlyModifiableField($f)) && $o != null && old($Heap[$o, $allocated]) && old($Heap[$o, SownerFrame] == $PeerGroupPlaceholder ||
!(old($Heap)old($Heap[$o, SownerRef], $inv] < old($Heap[$o, SownerFrame])) || old($Heap)old($Heap[$o, $ownerRef], $localInv) ==
$BaseClass(old($Heap[$o, SownerFrame])) && old($o != this) || !(Chunker < DecType($f)) || !$IncludedInModifiesStar($f) && old($o != this) || $f
!= $exposeVersion ==> old($Heap[$o, $f] == $Heap[$o, $f]));
// boilerplate
free requires $BeingConstructed == null;
free ensures !(forall $o: ref :: { $Heap[$o, $localInv] } { $Heap[$o, $inv] } $o != null && old($Heap[$o, $allocated] && $Heap[$o, $allocated] ==>
$Heap[$o, $inv] == $typeof($o) && $Heap[$o, $localInv] == $typeof($o));
free ensures !(forall $o: ref :: { $Heap[$o, $FirstConsistentOwner] } old($Heap)old($Heap[$o, $FirstConsistentOwner], $exposeVersion) ==
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$FirstConsistentOwner]);
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old($Heap[$o, $localInv] == $Heap[$o, $localInv]));
free ensures !(forall $o: ref :: { $Heap[$o, $allocated] } old($Heap[$o, $allocated] ==> $Heap[$o, $allocated]) && !(forall $ot: ref :: { $Heap[$ot,
SownerFrame] } { $Heap[$ot, SownerRef] } old($Heap[$ot, $allocated] && old($Heap[$ot, SownerFrame] != $PeerGroupPlaceholder ==>
old($Heap[$ot, SownerRef] == $Heap[$ot, SownerRef] && old($Heap[$ot, SownerFrame] == $Heap[$ot, SownerFrame]) &&
old($Heap[$ot, $BeingConstructed, $NonNullFieldsAreInitialized] == $Heap[$ot, $BeingConstructed, $NonNullFieldsAreInitialized]);

```

## Z3 & Program Verification

- Quantifiers, quantifiers, quantifiers, ...
- Modeling the runtime
- Frame axioms (“what didn’t change”)
- Users provided assertions (e.g., the array is sorted)
- Prototyping decision procedures (e.g., reachability, heaps, ...)
- *Solver must be fast in satisfiable instances.*
- Trade-off between precision and performance.
- *Candidate (Potential) Models*



# The Static Driver Verifier SLAM



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## Overview

- <http://research.microsoft.com/slam/>
- **SLAM/SDV** is a software model checker.
- Application domain: **device drivers**.
- Architecture:
  - c2bp** C program → boolean program (*predicate abstraction*).
  - bebop** Model checker for boolean programs.
  - newton** Model refinement (check for path feasibility)
- SMT solvers are used to perform predicate abstraction and to check path feasibility.
- c2bp makes several calls to the SMT solver. The formulas are relatively small.

# Example

Do this code  
obey the looking  
rule?

```
do {
    KeAcquireSpinLock();

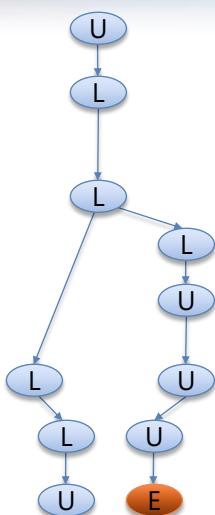
    nPacketsOld = nPackets;

    if(request) {
        request = request->Next;
        KeReleaseSpinLock();
        nPackets++;
    }
} while (nPackets != nPacketsOld);

KeReleaseSpinLock();
```

# Example

Model checking  
Boolean program



```
do {
    KeAcquireSpinLock();

    if (*) {

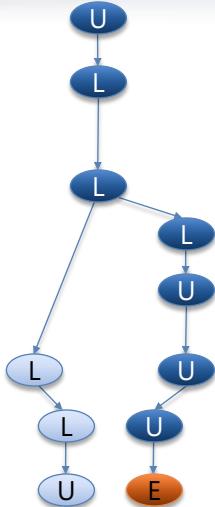
        KeReleaseSpinLock();

    }
} while (*);

KeReleaseSpinLock();
```

## Example

Is error path feasible?



```

do {
    KeAcquireSpinLock();

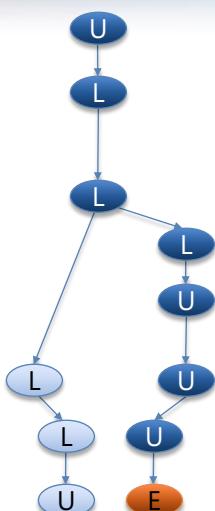
    nPacketsOld = nPackets;

    if(request) {
        request = request->Next;
        KeReleaseSpinLock();
        nPackets++;
    }
} while (nPackets != nPacketsOld);

KeReleaseSpinLock();
  
```

## Example

Add new predicate to  
Boolean program  
b: (nPacketsOld == nPackets)



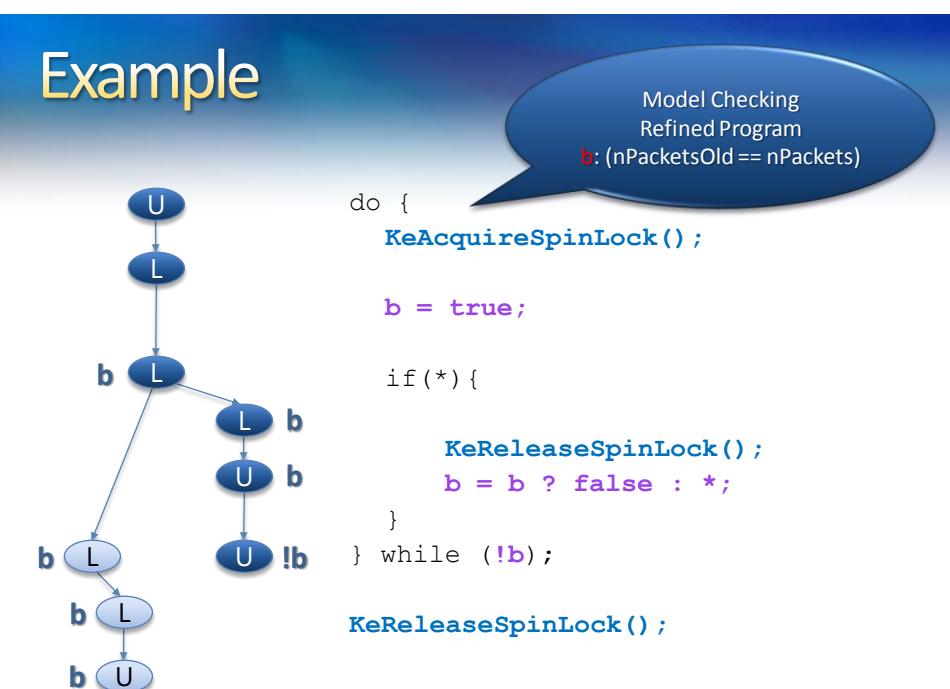
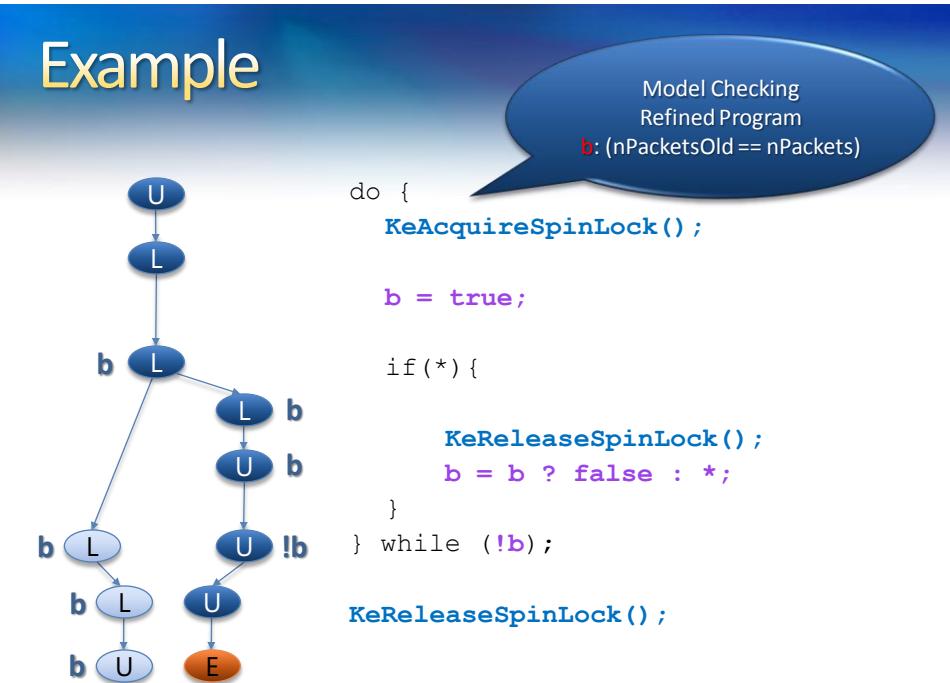
```

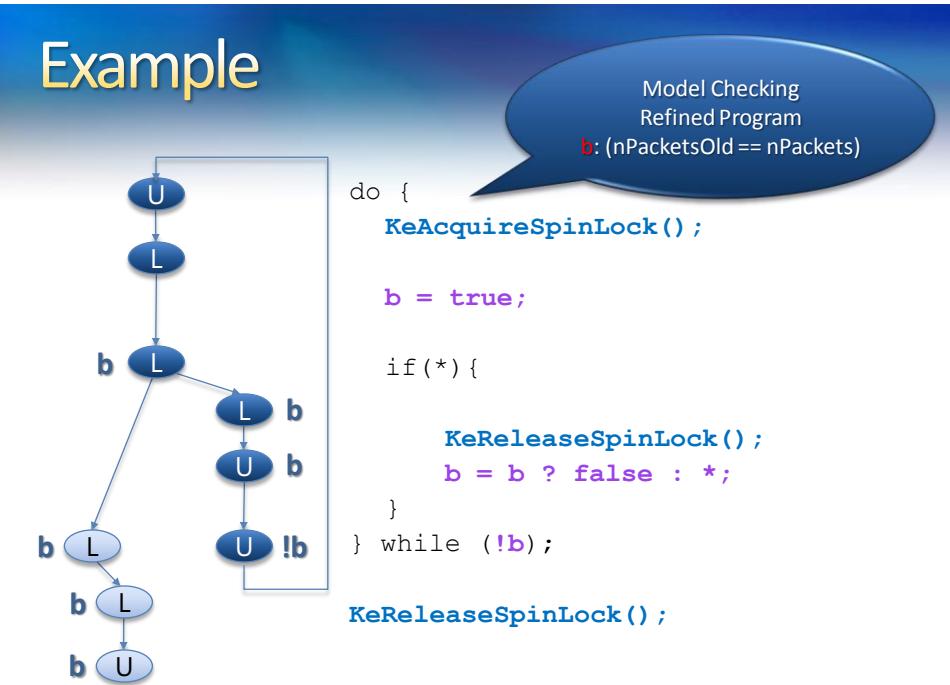
do {
    KeAcquireSpinLock();

    b = true;

    if(request) {
        request = request->Next;
        KeReleaseSpinLock();
        b = b ? false : *;
    }
} while (!b != nPacketsOld);

KeReleaseSpinLock();
  
```



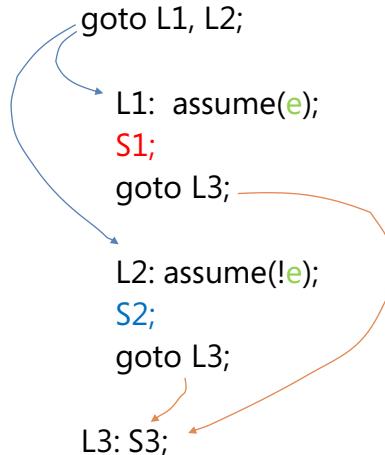


## Observations about SLAM

- Automatic discovery of invariants
  - driven by property and a finite set of (false) execution paths
  - predicates are *not* invariants, but *observations*
  - abstraction + model checking computes inductive invariants (boolean combinations of observations)
- A hybrid dynamic/static analysis
  - newton executes path through C code symbolically
  - c2bp+bebop explore all paths through abstraction
- A new form of program slicing
  - program code and data not relevant to property are dropped
  - non-determinism allows slices to have more behaviors

# Syntactic Sugar

```
if (e) {
    S1;
} else {
    S2;
}
S3;
```



# Predicate Abstraction: *c2bp*

- Given a C program  $P$  and  $F = \{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$ .
- Produce a Boolean program  $B(P, F)$ 
  - Same control flow structure as  $P$ .
  - Boolean variables  $\{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$  to match  $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$ .
  - Properties true in  $B(P, F)$  are true in  $P$ .
- Each  $p_i$  is a pure Boolean expression.
- Each  $p_i$  represents set of states for which  $p_i$  is true.
- Performs modular abstraction.

## Abstracting Assignments via WP

- Statement  $y=y+1$  and  $F=\{ y<4, y<5 \}$ 
  - $\{y<4\}, \{y<5\} = ((!y<5) || !y<4) ? \text{false} : *), \{y<4\}$
  
- $WP(x=e, Q) = Q[e/x]$
- $WP(y=y+1, y<5) =$ 

$$\begin{array}{ll} (y<5) [y+1/y] & = \\ (y+1<5) & = \\ (y<4) & \end{array}$$

## WP Problem

- $WP(s, p_i)$  is not always expressible via  $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$
- Example:
  - $F = \{ x==0, x==1, x < 5 \}$
  - $WP(x = x+1, x < 5) = x < 4$

# Abstracting Expressions via $F$

- $\text{Implies}_F(e)$

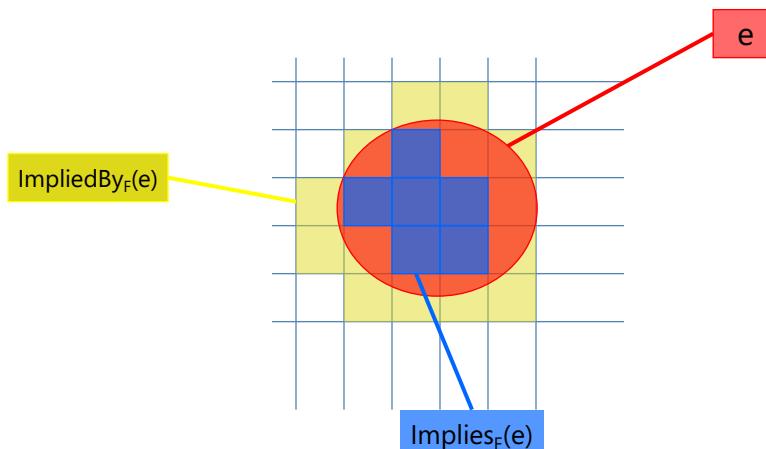
- Best Boolean function over  $F$  that implies  $e$ .

- $\text{ImpliedBy}_F(e)$

- Best Boolean function over  $F$  that is implied by  $e$ .

$$\text{ImpliedBy}_F(e) = \text{not } \text{Implies}_F(\text{not } e)$$

## $\text{Implies}_F(e)$ and $\text{ImpliedBy}_F(e)$



## Computing $\text{Implies}_F(e)$

- minterm  $m = I_1 \wedge \dots \wedge I_n$ , where  $I_i = p_i$ , or  $I_i = \text{not } p_i$ .
- $\text{Implies}_F(e)$ : disjunction of all minterms that imply  $e$ .
- Naive approach
  - Generate all  $2^n$  possible minterms.
  - For each minterm  $m$ , use SMT solver to check validity of  $m \Rightarrow e$ .
- Many possible optimizations

## Computing $\text{Implies}_F(e)$

- $F = \{x < y, x = 2\}$
- $e : y > 1$
- Minterms over  $F$ 
  - $\neg x < y, \neg x = 2 \text{ implies } y > 1$  ✗
  - $x < y, \neg x = 2 \text{ implies } y > 1$  ✗
  - $\neg x < y, x = 2 \text{ implies } y > 1$  ✗
  - $x < y, x = 2 \text{ implies } y > 1$  ✓

$$\text{Implies}_F(y > 1) = x_1 y \wedge \neg x_2 = 2$$

# Abstracting Assignments

- if  $\text{Implies}_F(\text{WP}(s, p_i))$  is true before s then
  - $p_i$  is true after s
- if  $\text{Implies}_F(\text{WP}(s, !p_i))$  is true before s then
  - $p_i$  is false after s

```
{p_i} = Implies_F(WP(s, p_i)) ? true :  
Implies_F(WP(s, !p_i)) ? false  
: *;
```

# Assignment Example

Statement:  $y = y + 1$       Predicates:  $\{x == y\}$

Weakest Precondition:

$$\text{WP}(y = y + 1, x == y) = x == y + 1$$

$\text{Implies}_F(x == y + 1) = \text{false}$

$\text{Implies}_F(x != y + 1) = x == y$

Abstraction of  $y = y + 1$

$\{x == y\} = \{x == y\} ? \text{false} : *;$

# Abstracting Assumes

- $\text{WP}(\text{assume}(e), Q) = e \text{ implies } Q$
- $\text{assume}(e)$  is abstracted to:  
 $\text{assume}(\text{ImpliedBy}_F(e))$
- Example:  
 $F = \{x == 2, x < 5\}$   
 $\text{assume}(x < 2)$  is abstracted to:  
 $\text{assume}(\neg\{x == 2\} \&& \{x < 5\})$

# Newton

- Given an error path  $p$  in the Boolean program  $B$ .
- Is  $p$  a feasible path of the corresponding C program?
  - Yes: found a bug.
  - No: find predicates that explain the infeasibility.
- Execute path symbolically.
- Check conditions for inconsistency using SMT solver.

# Z3 & Static Driver Verifier

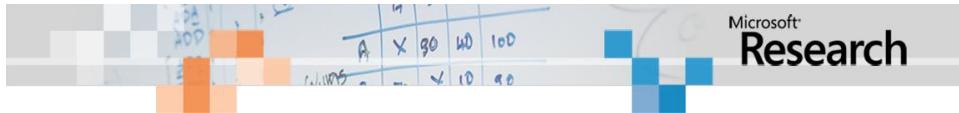
- All-SAT
  - Better (more precise) Predicate Abstraction
- Unsatisfiable cores
  - Why the abstract path is not feasible?
  - Fast Predicate Abstraction

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## Unsatisfiable cores

- Let  $S$  be an unsatisfiable set of formulas.
- $S' \subseteq S$  is an **unsatisfiable core** of  $S$  if:
  - $S'$  is also unsatisfiable, and
  - There is not  $S'' \subset S'$  that is also unsatisfiable.
- Computing  $\text{Implies}_F(e)$  with  $F = \{p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4\}$ 
  - Assume  $p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4 \Rightarrow e$  is valid
  - That is  $p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4, \neg e$  is unsat
  - Now assume  $p_1, p_3, \neg e$  is the **unsatisfiable core**
  - Then it is unnecessary to check:
    - $p_1, \neg p_2, p_3, p_4 \Rightarrow e$
    - $p_1, \neg p_2, p_3, \neg p_4 \Rightarrow e$
    - $p_1, p_2, p_3, \neg p_4 \Rightarrow e$

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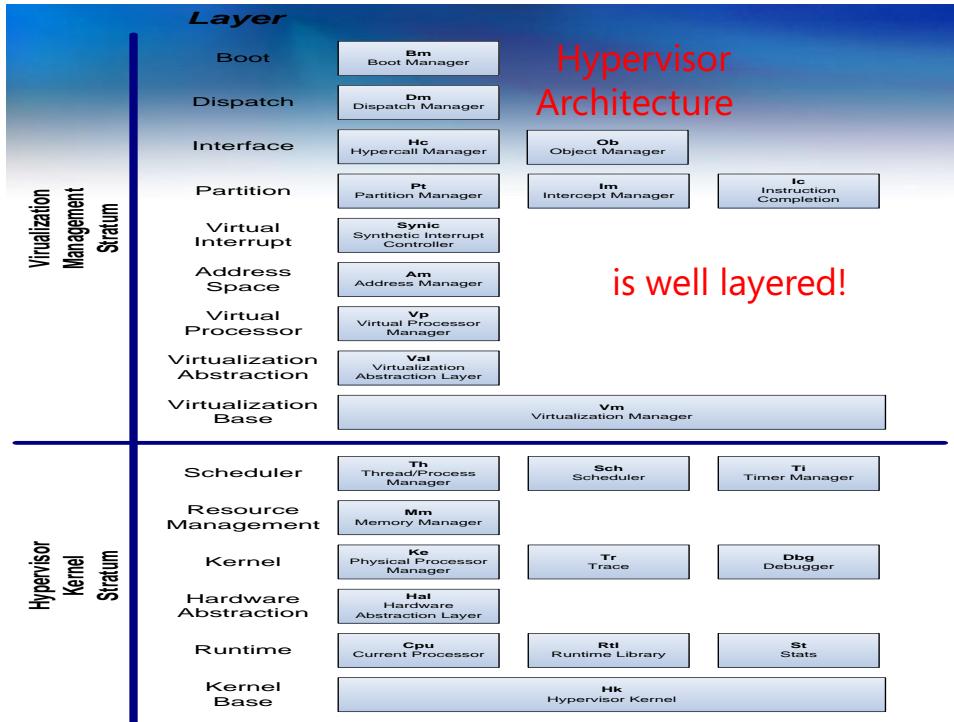


# A Verifying C Compiler

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- **Meta OS:** small layer of software between hardware and OS
- **Mini:** 60K lines of non-trivial concurrent systems C code
- **Critical:** must provide functional resource abstraction
- **Trusted:** a grand verification challenge



## What is to be verified?

- Source code
- C + x64 assembly
  
- Sample verifiable slices:
  - **Safety:** Basic memory safety
  - **Functionality:** Hypervisor simulates a number of virtual x64 machines.
  - **Utility:** Hypervisor services guest OS with available resources.

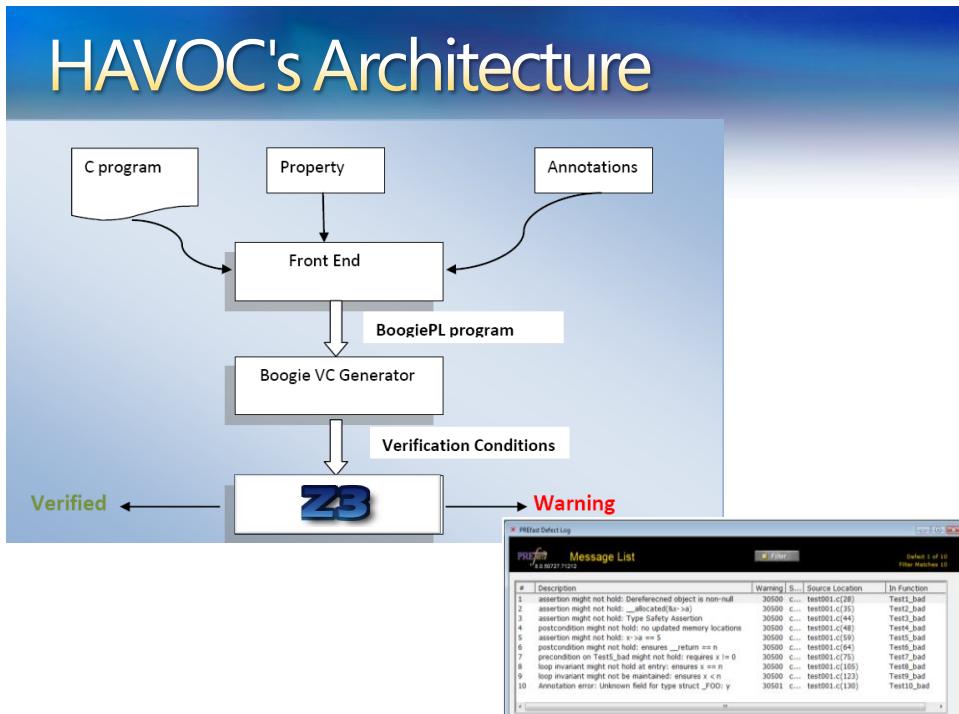


# HAVOC

## Verifying Windows Components



Lahiri & Qadeer, POPL'08,  
Also: Ball, Hackett, Lahiri, Qadeer, MSR-TR-08-82.



# Heaps and Shapes

```

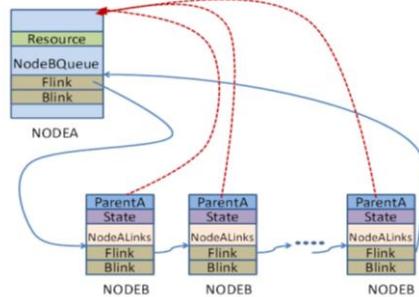
typedef struct _LIST_ENTRY{
    struct _LIST_ENTRY *Flink, *Blink;
} LIST_ENTRY, *PLIST_ENTRY;

typedef struct _NODEA{
    PERESOURCE Resource;
    LIST_ENTRY NodeBQueue;
    ...
} NODEA, *PNODEA;

typedef struct _NODEB{
    PNODEA ParentA;
    ULONG State;
    LIST_ENTRY NodeALinks;
    ...
} NODEB, *PNODEB;

#define CONTAINING_RECORD(addr, type, field)\n\
    ((type *)((PCHAR)(addr) -\n        (PCHAR)(&((type *)0)->field)))

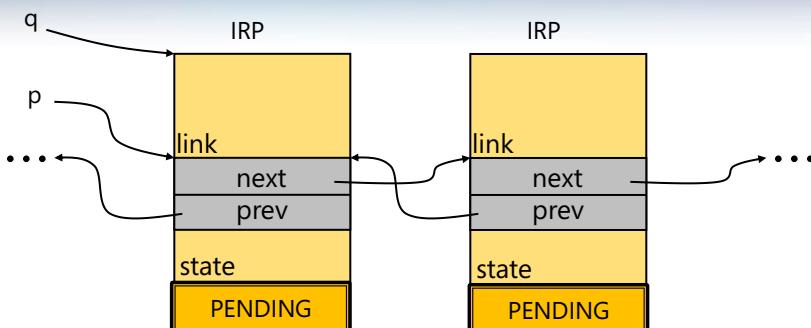
```



Representative shape graph  
in Windows Kernel component

Doubly linked lists in Windows Kernel code

## Precise and expressive heap reasoning



- Pointer Arithmetic
 
$$\begin{aligned} q &= \text{CONTAINING\_RECORD}(p, \text{IRP}, \text{link}) \\ &= (\text{IRP} *) ((\text{char} *) p - (\text{char} *) (\&(\text{IRP} *) 0) \rightarrow \text{link})) \end{aligned}$$
- Transitive Closure
 
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Reach}(\text{next}, u) &\equiv \{u, u \rightarrow \text{next}, u \rightarrow \text{next} \rightarrow \text{next}, \dots\} \\ \text{forall } (x, \text{Reach}(\text{next}, p), \text{CONTAINING\_RECORD}(x, \text{IRP}, \text{link}) \rightarrow \text{state} == \text{PENDING}) \end{aligned}$$

# Annotation Language & Logic

- Procedure contracts
  - requires, ensures, modifies
- Arbitrary C expressions
  - program variables, resources
  - Boolean connectives
  - quantifiers
- Can express a rich set of contracts
  - API usage (e.g. lock acquire/release)
  - Synchronization protocols
  - Memory safety
  - Data structure invariants (linked list)
- Challenge:
  - Retain efficiency
  - Decidable fragments

```
_requires (NodeA != NULL)
...
_ensures ((*PNodeB->ParentA == NodeA)
_modifies (PNodeB)
void CompCreateNodeB
(PNODEA NodeA, PNODEB *PNodeB);
```

```
requires (_forall(_H_x, _list1, _dataPtr(_H_x,
                                         _list1))
         _setin(_head, _list1))
_ensures (_forall(_H_x, _list2, _initialized)
         _modifies _dataPtrSet(_list1))

void InitializeList() {
    LIST_ENTRY *iter;
    iter = pdata->list.Flink;

    __loop_invariant(
        __loop_assert (_setin(iter, _list1))          t1) t1 → t2
        __loop_assert (_forall(_H_x, _listBtwn(t1, f(t1), t2)
                               _initialized))
        __loop_modifies (_old(_dataPtrSet(_list1)))
    )
    while (iter != pdata->list) {
        DATA elem = CONTAINING_RECORD(iter, DATA, _list);
        if (t1) t2 → t1
        t1 = t2
    }
}
```

<b>[ORDER1]</b> $\frac{t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2 \quad t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_3}{t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2 \xrightarrow{f} t_3}$	<b>[ORDER2]</b> $\frac{t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2 \quad t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_3}{t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2, t_2 \xrightarrow{f} t_3}$
<b>[TRANSITIVE1]</b> $\frac{t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2 \quad t_2 \xrightarrow{f} t_3}{t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_3}$	<b>[TRANSITIVE2]</b> $\frac{t_0 \xrightarrow{f} t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2 \quad t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t \xrightarrow{f} t_2}{t_0 \xrightarrow{f} t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t, t_0 \xrightarrow{f} t \xrightarrow{f} t_2}$
<b>[TRANSITIVE3]</b> $\frac{t_0 \xrightarrow{f} t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2 \quad t_0 \xrightarrow{f} t \xrightarrow{f} t_1}{t_0 \xrightarrow{f} t \xrightarrow{f} t_2, t \xrightarrow{f} t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2}$	

## Efficient logic for program verification

<b>[REFLEXIVE]</b> $\frac{}{t \xrightarrow{f} t}$	<b>[STEP]</b> $\frac{f(t)}{t \xrightarrow{f} f(t)}$	<b>[REACH]</b> $\frac{f(t_1) \quad t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2}{t_1 = t_2 \quad t_1 \xrightarrow{f} f(t_1) \xrightarrow{f} t_2}$
<b>[CYCLE]</b> $\frac{f(t_1) = t_1 \quad t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2}{t_1 = t_2}$	<b>[SANDWICH]</b> $\frac{t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2 \xrightarrow{f} t_1}{t_1 = t_2}$	
<b>[ORDER1]</b> $\frac{t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2 \quad t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_3}{t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2 \xrightarrow{f} t_3}$	<b>[ORDER2]</b> $\frac{t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2 \xrightarrow{f} t_3}{t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2, t_2 \xrightarrow{f} t_3}$	
<b>[TRANSITIVE1]</b> $\frac{t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2 \quad t_2 \xrightarrow{f} t_3}{t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_3}$	<b>[TRANSITIVE2]</b> $\frac{t_0 \xrightarrow{f} t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2 \quad t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t \xrightarrow{f} t_2}{t_0 \xrightarrow{f} t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t, t_0 \xrightarrow{f} t \xrightarrow{f} t_2}$	
<b>[TRANSITIVE3]</b> $\frac{t_0 \xrightarrow{f} t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2 \quad t_0 \xrightarrow{f} t \xrightarrow{f} t_1}{t_0 \xrightarrow{f} t \xrightarrow{f} t_2, t \xrightarrow{f} t_1 \xrightarrow{f} t_2}$		

- Logic with Reach, Quantifiers, Arithmetic
  - Expressive
  - Careful use of quantifiers
- Efficient logic
  - Only NP-complete

```
// transitive2
axiom(forall f: [int]int, x: int, y: int, z: int, w: int :: (ReachBetween(f, x, y, z) && ReachBetween(f, y, w, z) ==> ReachBetween(f, x, y, w)));
;

// transitive3
axiom(forall f: [int]int, x: int, y: int, z: int, w: int :: (ReachBetween(f, x, y, z), ReachBetween(f, x, w, y))
ReachBetween(f, x, y, z) && ReachBetween(f, x, w, y) ==> ReachBetween(f, x, w, z) && ReachBetween(f, w, y, z));
```

Encoding using quantifiers and triggers



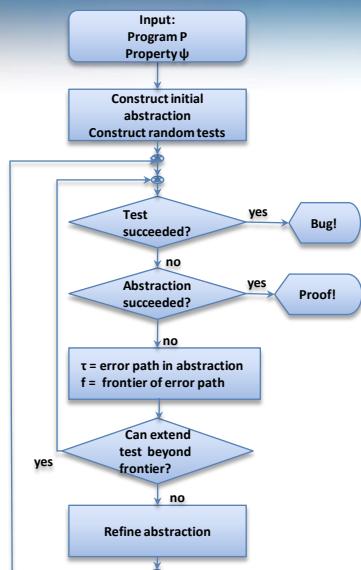
## Combining Random Testing with Model Checking



Aditya Nori, Sriram Rajamani,

ISSTA08: Proofs from Tests. Nels E. Beckman, Nori, Rajamani, Rob Simmons

### DASH Algorithm



- Main workhorse: test case generation
- Use counterexamples from current abstraction to “extend frontier” and generate tests
- When test case generation fails, use this information to “refine” abstraction at the frontier
  - Use only aliases that happen on the tests!

# Example

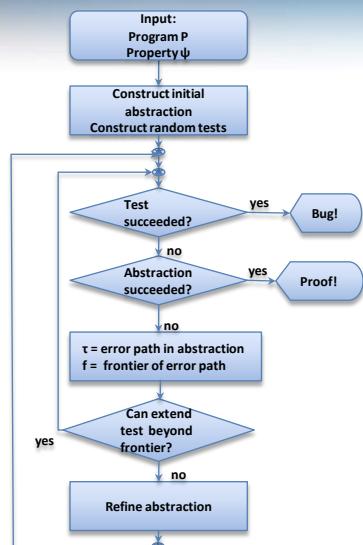
```

void LockUnlock(struct ProtectedInt *pi,
                int *lock1, int *lock2, int x)
{
    int do_return = 0;
    if(pi->lock == lock1) {
        do_return = 1;
        pi->lock = lock2;
    }
    else if(pi->lock == lock2) {
        do_return = 1;
        pi->lock = lock1;
    }
    /*initialize all locks to be unlocked
8:   *(pi->lock) = 0;
9:   *lock1 = 0;
10:  *lock2 = 0;

11: if( do_return ) return;
12: else {
13:     do {
14:         lock(pi->lock);
15:         if(*lock1 ==1 || *lock2 ==1)
16:             error();
17:         x = *(pi->y);
18:         if ( NonDet() ) {
19:             (*(pi->y))++;
20:             unlock(pi->lock);
21:         }
22:     } while(x != *(pi->y));
}
22: unlock(pi->lock);
}

```

# Example

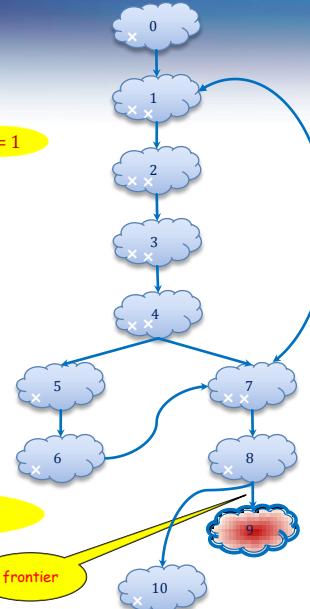
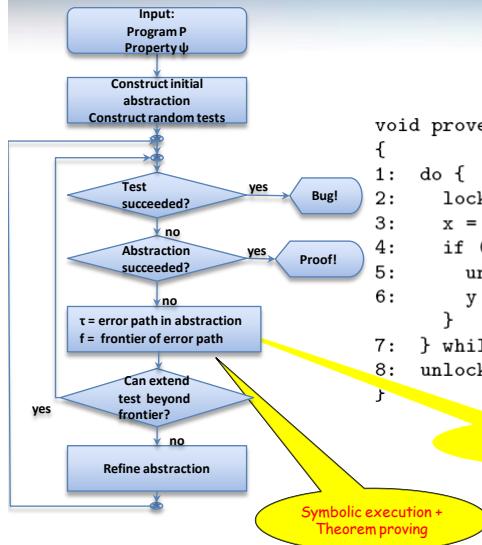


```

void prove_me(int y)
{
1:  do {
2:      lock();
3:      x = y;
4:      if (*) {
5:          unlock();
6:          y = y + 1;
7:      }
8:  } while (x!=y);
9: unlock();
}

```

# Example



## Symbolic execution + Theorem Proving

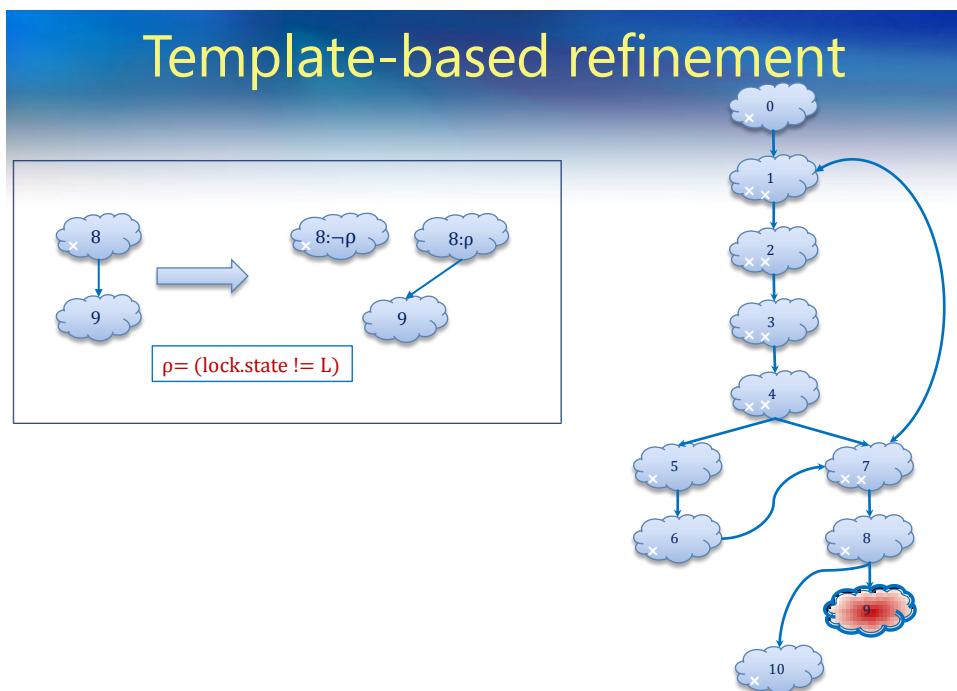
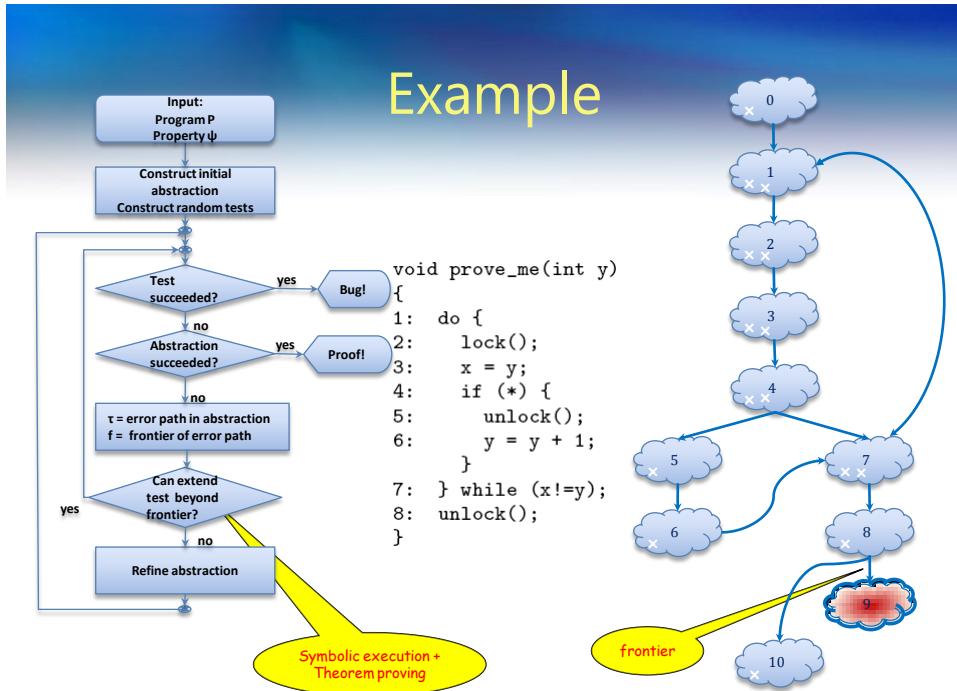
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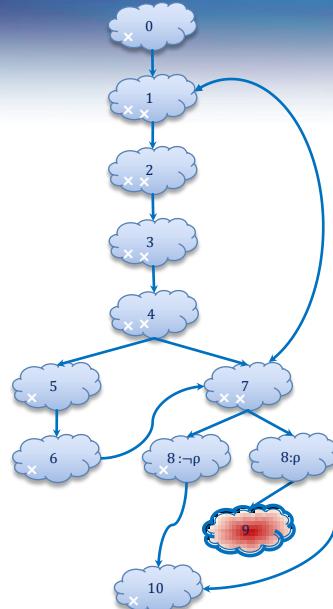
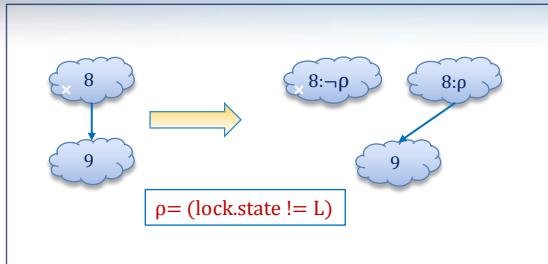
symbolic memory	
y	$y_0$
lock.state	L
x	$y_0$

constraints	
$(x=y) = (y_0 = y_0) = T$	
$(lock.state != L) = (L != L) = F$	

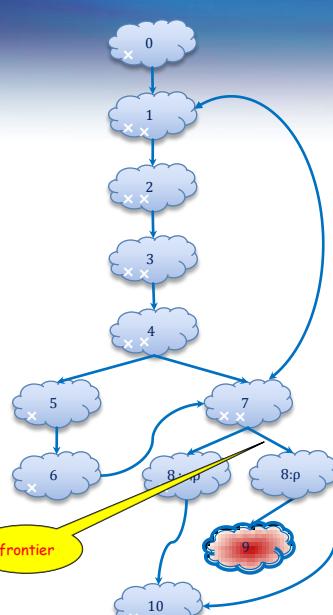
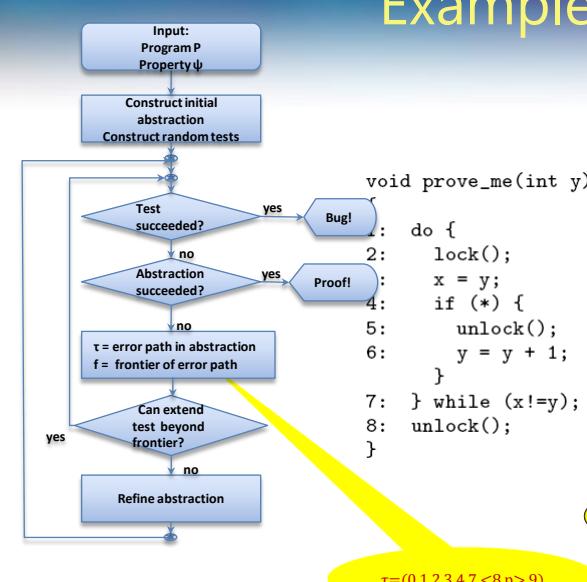
$\tau = (0,1,2,3,4,7,8,9)$

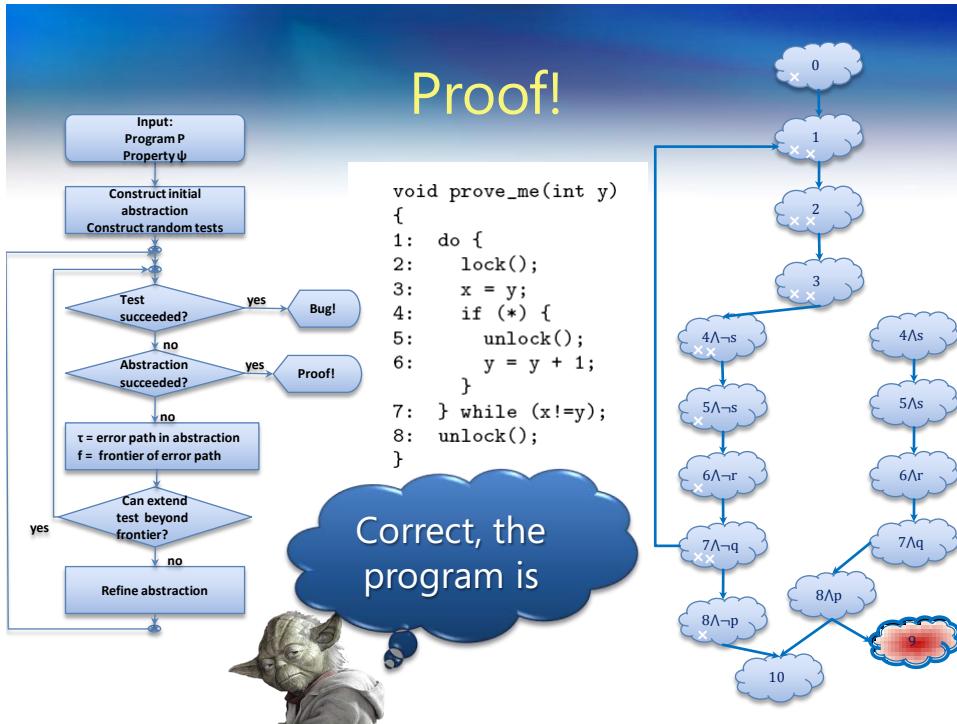


# Template-based refinement



## Example





## Yogi's solver interface

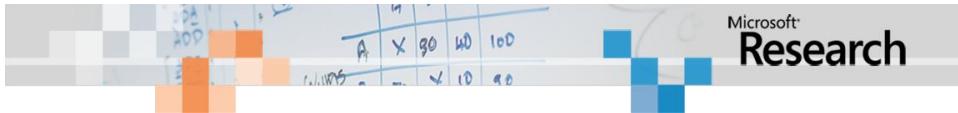
### Representation

- $L$ 
  - program locations.
- $R \subseteq L \times L$ 
  - Control flow graph
- State:  $L \rightarrow \text{Formula-set}$ 
  - Symbolic state: each location has set of disjoint formulas

### Theorem proving needs

- Facts about pointers:
  - $*\&x = x$
- Subsumption checks:
  - $\varphi \Rightarrow WP(l, \psi)$
  - $\varphi \Rightarrow \neg WP(l, \psi)$
- Structure sharing
  - Similar formulas in different states
- Simplification
  - Collapse/Reduce formulas

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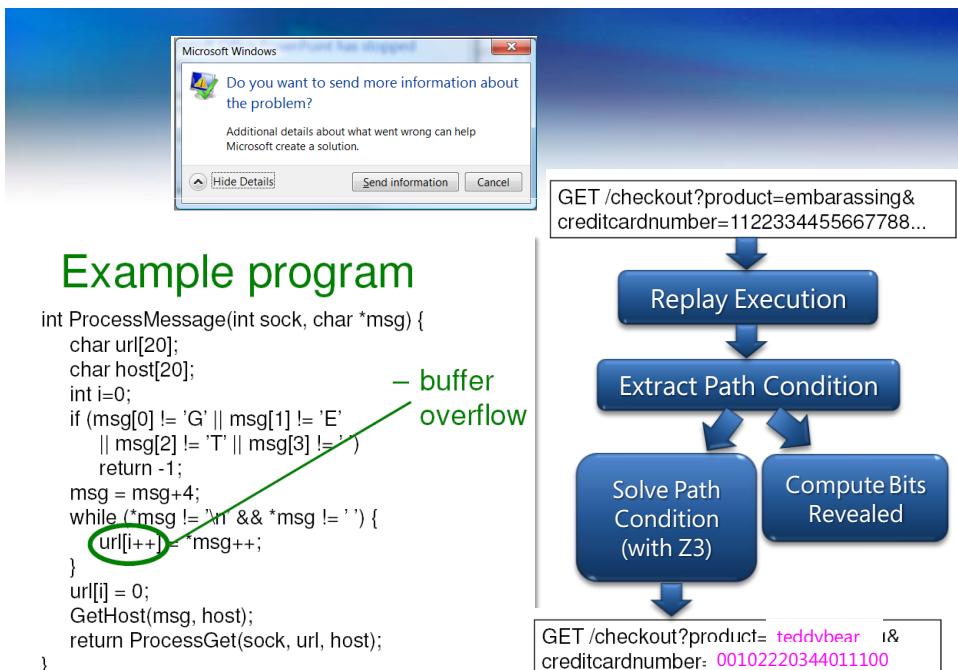


# Better Bug Reporting with Better Privacy

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ASPLOS 08



See also: Vigilante – Internet Worm  
Containment Miguel Castro, Manuel Costa, Lintao Zhang



# Finding the buffer overflow

```
int ProcessMessage(int sock, char *msg) {
    char url[20];
    char host[20];
    int i=0;
    if (msg[0] != 'G' || msg[1] != 'E'
        || msg[2] != 'T' || msg[3] != '\n')
        return -1;
    msg = msg+4;
    while (*msg != '\n' && *msg != ' ') {
        url[i++] = *msg++;
    }
    url[i] = 0;
    GetHost(msg, host);
    return ProcessGet(sock, url, host);
}
```

— buffer  
overflow

R | A | N | D | O | M | \n | \n | \n

:assumption (= b0 bv71[8])  
:assumption (= b1 bv69[8])  
:assumption (= b2 bv84[8])  
:assumption (= b3 bv32[8]))

G | E | T | ' ' | O | M | \n | \n | \n

:assumption (distinct b6 bv10[8] bv32[8])

G | E | T | ' ' | O | M | . | . | .

Privacy: measure distance between original crash input and new input



## Program Termination



Byron Cook

<http://www.foment.net/byron/fsharp.shtml>

*A complete method for the synthesis of linear ranking functions. Podleski & Rybalchenkoy; VMCAI 04*

# Form Byron Cook's blog

**Making use of F#'s math libraries together with Z3**

A short note by [Byron Cook](#)

Recent work on F#'s math libraries, together with the latest release of Z3 make for a pretty powerful mixture. In particular I find it interesting that its so easy to combine F#'s polymorphic matrix code together with the power of Z3. I recently used F#'s new matrix syntax and the new Z3 release in order to re-implement the rank function synthesis engine used within TERMINATOR. The result turned out to be so concise that I thought it would be interesting to the larger F# community. I expect that, in the future, Don will probably pick up this example and use it as an F# sample. Thus, if you're looking for an up-to-date version of this example check the F# distribution.

At the high-level we're going to build a tool that takes in a mathematical relation represented as the conjunction of linear inequalities. As an example consider " $x > 0$  and  $x' = x - 1$  and  $y' > y$ ", which is a relation stating that the new value of  $x$  is always one less than the old value of  $x$ , that  $x$  is always positive, and that  $y'$  goes up. We're out to automatically prove that this relation is well-founded, meaning that if you apply it pointwise to any infinite sequence of pairs  $(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1), \dots$ , then the relation will eventually not hold on a pair. See recent lecture notes ([lecture 1](#), [lecture 2](#), and [lecture 3](#)) for more information.

The underlying algorithm that we'll implement is given in a paper by [Podelski](#) and [Rybalchenko](#) called "[A complete method for the synthesis of linear ranking functions](#)". The crux of the paper is in Fig. 1:

In short, the paper encourages us to think of a relation  $R$  as a matrix of coefficients applied to the pre-variables, and  $A'$  as the coefficients that affect the pre-variables in  $R$ , and  $A'$  the coefficients that effect the post-variables (i.e. the variables with ' $'$ s). The paper says that if we can find a couple of vectors ( $\lambda$ ambda 1

```
input
program (AA')  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \leq b$ 
begin
if exists rational-valued  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  such that
 $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \geq 0$ 
 $\lambda_1 A' = 0$ 
```

**Links**

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# Does this program Terminate?

$x > 0 \wedge y > 0 \wedge$

$x' = x - 1 \wedge y' > y$

```
while (x > 0 && y > 0) {
    x = x - 1;
    y = y + 1 + z*z;
}
```

$0x' + 0y' + -1x + 0y + 1 \leq 0$ $1x' + 0y' + -1x + 0y + 1 \leq 0$ $-1x' + 0y' + 1x + 0y + -1 \leq 0$ $0x' + 0y' + 0x + -1y + 1 \leq 0$ $0x' + -1y' + 0x + 1y + 1 \leq 0$	$x > 0$ $x' \geq x - 1$ $x' \leq x - 1$ $y > 0$ $y' > y$
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# Rank function synthesis

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
 0x' & + & 0y' & + & -1x & + & 0y & + & 1 \leq 0 \\
 1x' & + & 0y' & + & -1x & + & 0y & + & 1 \leq 0 \\
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 0x' & + & 0y' & + & 0x & + & -1y & + & 1 \leq 0 \\
 0x' & + & -1y' & + & 0x & + & 1y & + & 1 \leq 0
 \end{array}$$

Can we find  $f, b$ ,  
such that the  
inclusion holds?

$$\begin{array}{c}
 f(x, y) > f(x', y') \\
 f(x', y') \geq b
 \end{array}
 \subseteq$$

That is:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
 f(x', y') & + & -f(x, y) & + & 1 & \leq & 0 \\
 -f(x', y') & + & b & \leq & 0
 \end{array}$$

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 \end{array}$$

Search over linear templates:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(a, b) &\triangleq c_1a + c_2b \\
 -f(a, b) &\triangleq c_3a + c_4b \\
 c_1 &= -1c_3 \\
 c_2 &= -1c_4
 \end{aligned}$$

# Rank function synthesis

Find  $c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 0x' + 0y' + -1x + 0y + 1 \leq 0 \quad c_1x' + c_2y' + c_3x + c_4y + 1 \leq 0 \\
 1x' + 0y' + -1x + 0y + 1 \leq 0 \quad c_3x' + c_4y' + b \leq 0 \\
 -1x' + 0y' + 1x + 0y + -1 \leq 0 \quad 1c_1 + 1c_3 + 0 \leq 0 \\
 0x' + 0y' + 0x + -1y + 1 \leq 0 \quad -1c_1 + -1c_3 + 0 \leq 0 \\
 0x' + -1y' + 0x + 1y + 1 \leq 0 \quad 1c_2 + 1c_4 + 0 \leq 0 \\
 \end{array} \subseteq
 \begin{array}{l}
 -1c_2 + -1c_4 + 0 \leq 0
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# Rank function synthesis

$\exists c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4, \forall x, y, x', y'$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 0x' + 0y' + -1x + 0y + 1 \leq 0 \quad c_1x' + c_2y' + c_3x + c_4y + 1 \leq 0 \\
 1x' + 0y' + -1x + 0y + 1 \leq 0 \quad c_3x' + c_4y' + b \leq 0 \\
 -1x' + 0y' + 1x + 0y + -1 \leq 0 \quad 1c_1 + 1c_3 + 0 \leq 0 \\
 0x' + 0y' + 0x + -1y + 1 \leq 0 \quad -1c_1 + -1c_3 + 0 \leq 0 \\
 0x' + -1y' + 0x + 1y + 1 \leq 0 \quad 1c_2 + 1c_4 + 0 \leq 0 \\
 \end{array} \Rightarrow
 \begin{array}{l}
 -1c_2 + -1c_4 + 0 \leq 0
 \end{array}$$

Search over linear templates:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(a, b) &\triangleq c_1a + c_2b \\
 -f(a, b) &\triangleq c_3a + c_4b \\
 c_1 &= -1c_3 \\
 c_2 &= -1c_4
 \end{aligned}$$

## Rank function synthesis – simplified version

$$\exists c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4, \forall x, y, x', y' \quad R \triangleq \begin{array}{l} 0x' + 0y' + -1x + 0y + 1 \leq 0 \\ 1x' + 0y' + -1x + 0y + 1 \leq 0 \\ -1x' + 0y' + 1x + 0y + -1 \leq 0 \\ 0x' + 0y' + 0x + -1y + 1 \leq 0 \\ 0x' + -1y' + 0x + 1y + 1 \leq 0 \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \\ c_4 \end{array}$$

Search over linear templates:

$$\begin{array}{lcl} f(a, b) & \triangleq & c_1 a + c_2 b \\ -f(a, b) & \triangleq & c_3 a + c_4 b \\ c_1 & = & -1c_3 \\ c_2 & = & -1c_4 \end{array}$$

## Rank function synthesis

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**Farkas' lemma.**  $R \Rightarrow \psi$  iff there exist real multipliers  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_5 \geq 0$  such that

$$c_1 = \sum_{i=1}^5 \lambda_i a_{i,1} \wedge \dots \wedge c_4 = \sum_{i=1}^5 \lambda_i a_{i,4} \wedge 1 \leq (\sum_{i=0}^5 \lambda_i b_i)$$

# Rank function synthesis

Instead solve:  $\exists c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \lambda_4, \lambda_5$

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_1 &= 0\lambda_1 + 1\lambda_2 + -1\lambda_3 + 0\lambda_4 + 0\lambda_5 \\
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 c_4 &= 0\lambda_1 + 0\lambda_2 + 0\lambda_3 + -1\lambda_4 + 1\lambda_5 \\
 1 &\leq 1\lambda_1 + 1\lambda_2 + -1\lambda_3 + 1\lambda_4 + 1\lambda_5 \\
 c_1 &= -1c_3 \wedge \lambda_1 \geq 0 \wedge \lambda_2 \geq 0 \wedge \lambda_3 \geq 0 \\
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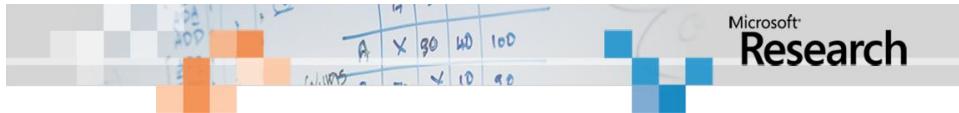
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 \end{aligned}$$

Solver: Dual Simplex for Th(LRA).

See Byron Cook's blog for an F# program that produces input to Z3



# Program Analysis as Constraint Solving

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PLDI 2008



$$\begin{array}{l}
 \Theta \\
 \textbf{while } (c) \{ \\
 \quad S \\
 \} \\
 \textbf{Post}
 \end{array}
 \xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}}
 \exists I \forall x \left[ \begin{array}{l}
 \Theta(x) \Rightarrow I(x) \\
 I(x) \wedge c(x) \wedge S(x, x') \Rightarrow I(x') \\
 \neg c(x) \wedge I(x) \Rightarrow \text{Post}(x)
 \end{array} \right]
 \underbrace{\phantom{\exists I \forall x}}_{\varphi_I(I, x)}$$

How to find loop invariant  $I$  ?

# Loop invariants

$$\exists I \forall x \left[ \begin{array}{l} \Theta(x) \Rightarrow I(x) \\ I(x) \wedge c(x) \wedge S(x, x') \Rightarrow I(x') \\ \neg c(x) \wedge I(x) \Rightarrow \text{Post}(x) \end{array} \right]_{\varphi_1(I, x)}$$

- Assume  $I$  is of the form  $\sum_j a_j x_j \leq b$
- Simplified problem:  $\exists A, b \forall x \varphi_1(\lambda x. Ax \leq b, x)$

# Loop invariants $\Rightarrow$ Existential

- Original:  $\exists I \forall x \varphi_1(I, x)$
- Relaxed:  $\exists A, b \forall x \varphi_1(\lambda x. Ax \leq b, x)$
- Farkas':  $\forall x(Ax \leq 0 \Rightarrow bx \leq 0)$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \exists \lambda, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m (b = \lambda + \sum \lambda_k a_k)$
- Existential:  
 Problem: contains multiplication  $\exists A, b, \lambda \varphi_2(A, b, \lambda)$

# Loop invariants $\Rightarrow$ SMT solving

• Original:

$$\exists I \forall x \varphi_1(I, x)$$

• Existential:

$$\exists A, b \exists \lambda \varphi_2(A, b, \lambda)$$

• Bounded:

$$\exists A, b, p_1, p_2, p_3 \varphi_2(A, b, \begin{bmatrix} ite(p_1, 4, 0) + \\ ite(p_2, 2, 0) + \\ ite(p_3, 1, 0) \end{bmatrix})$$

• Or: Bit-vectors:

$$\exists A, b, \lambda : BitVec[8]. \varphi_2(A, b, \lambda)$$

## Program Verification: Example

```
x := 0; y := 0;
{n=1 ∧ m=1}      while (x < 100)      {y ≥ 100}
                  x := x+n;
                  y := y+m;
```

Invariant Template

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 + a_1x + a_2y + a_3n + a_4m &\geq 0 \\ b_0 + b_1x + b_2y + b_3n + b_4m &\geq 0 \\ c_0 + c_1x + c_2y + c_3n + c_4m &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Satisfying Solution

$$a_2=b_0=c_4=1, a_1=b_3=c_0=-1 \rightarrow \begin{aligned} y &\geq x \\ m &\geq 1 \\ n &\geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Loop Invariant

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 + a_1x + a_2y + a_3n + a_4m &\geq 0 \\ b_0 + b_1x + b_2y + b_3n + b_4m &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$a_2=b_2=1, a_1=b_1=-1 \rightarrow \begin{aligned} y &\geq x \\ m &\geq n \end{aligned}$$

$$a_0 + a_1x + a_2y + a_3n + a_4m \geq 0$$

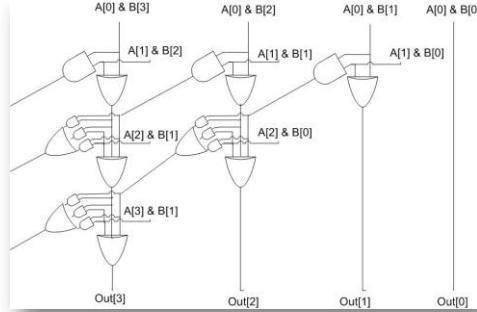
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Invalid triple or  
Imprecise Template

# Digression: Bit-vectors and Z3

- Bit-vector multiplication

- For each sub-term  $A^*B$ 
  - Replace by fresh vector OUT
  - Create circuit for:  $OUT = A^*B$
  - Convert circuit into clauses: For each internal gate
    - Create fresh propositional variable
    - Represent gate as clause



{Out[0], ~A[0], ~B[0]}, {A[0], ~Out[0]}, {B[0], ~Out[0]}, ....

# Digression: Bit-vectors and Z3

Tableau

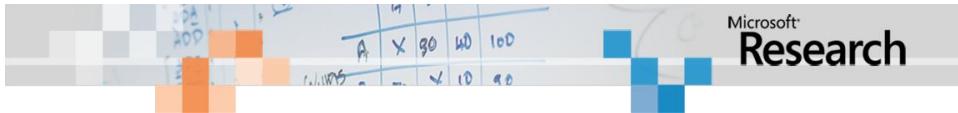
+ DPLL =

Relevancy Propagation

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{\bigvee_{i=1}^k \varphi_i}{\varphi_1 \mid \dots \mid \varphi_k} \vee \\
 \frac{\neg\neg\psi}{\psi} \neg\neg \\
 \frac{\varphi \leftrightarrow \psi}{\varphi, \psi \mid \neg\varphi, \neg\psi} \leftrightarrow \\
 \frac{ite(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_3)}{\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \mid \neg\varphi_1, \varphi_3}
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{c}
 \frac{\neg\bigvee_{i=1}^k \varphi_i}{\neg\varphi_1, \dots, \neg\varphi_k} \neg\vee \\
 \frac{\neg(\varphi \leftrightarrow \psi)}{\varphi, \neg\psi \mid \neg\varphi, \psi} \neg\leftrightarrow \\
 \frac{\neg ite(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_3)}{\varphi_1, \neg\varphi_2 \mid \neg\varphi_1, \neg\varphi_3} \neg ite
 \end{array}$$

$M \parallel F$	$\implies M l \parallel F$	if $\begin{cases} l \text{ or } \bar{l} \text{ occurs in } F, \\ l \text{ is undefined in } M \end{cases}$	(Decide)
$M \parallel F, C \vee l$	$\implies M l_{CVl} \parallel F, C \vee l$	if $\begin{cases} M \models \neg C, \\ l \text{ is undefined in } M \end{cases}$	(UnitPropagate)
$M \parallel F, C$	$\implies M \parallel F, C \mid C$	if $M \models \neg C$	(Conflict)
$M \parallel F \mid C \vee \bar{l}$	$\implies M \parallel F \mid D \vee C$	if $l_{Dv\bar{l}} \in M$ ,	(Resolve)
$M \parallel F \mid C$	$\implies M \parallel F, C \mid C$	if $C \not\models F$	(Learn)
$M \parallel M' \parallel F \mid C \vee l \implies M l_{CVl} \parallel F$		if $\begin{cases} M \models \neg C, \\ l \text{ is undefined in } M \end{cases}$	(Backjump)
$M \parallel F \mid \square$	$\implies \text{unset}$		(Unsat)

- Tableau goes outside in, DPLL inside out
- Relevancy propagation: If DPLL sets  $\theta:\psi\vee\varphi$  to **true**,  $\theta$  is marked as *relevant*, then first of  $\psi, \varphi$  to be set to **true** gets marked as *relevant*.
- Used for circuit gates and for quantifier matching



# Abstract Interpretation and modular arithmetic

See Blog by Ruzica Piskac,  
<http://icwww.epfl.ch/~piskac/fsharp/>

Material based on:  
 King & Søndergård, CAV 08  
 Muller-Olm & Seidl, ESOP 2005

## Programs as transition systems

- Transition system:

$\langle$

$L$	locations,
$V$	variables,
$S = [V \rightarrow Val]$	states,
$R \subseteq L \times S \times S \times L$	transitions,
$\Theta \subseteq S$	initial states
$l_{init} \in L$	initial location

$\rangle$

# Abstract abstraction

- Concrete reachable states:  $\text{CR}: L \rightarrow \wp(S)$

- Abstract reachable states:  $\text{AR}: L \rightarrow A$

- Connections:

$$\sqcup : A \times A \rightarrow A$$

$$\gamma : A \rightarrow \wp(S)$$

$$\alpha : S \rightarrow A$$

$$\alpha : \wp(S) \rightarrow A \quad \text{where } \alpha(S) = \sqcup \{\alpha(s) \mid s \in S\}$$

# Abstract abstraction

- Concrete reachable states:

$$\text{CR } \ell x \leftarrow \Theta x \wedge \ell = \ell_{init}$$

$$\text{CR } \ell x \leftarrow \text{CR } \ell_0 x_0 \wedge R \ell_0 x_0 x \ell$$

- Abstract reachable states:

$$\text{AR } \ell x \leftarrow \alpha(\Theta(x)) \wedge \ell = \ell_{init}$$

$$\text{AR } \ell x \leftarrow \alpha(\gamma(\text{AR } \ell_0 x_0)) \wedge R \ell_0 x_0 x \ell$$

Why? fewer (finite) abstract states

# Abstraction using SMT

Abstract reachable states:

$$\text{AR } \ell_{init} \leftarrow \alpha(\Theta)$$

Find interpretation  $M$ :

$$M \models \gamma(\text{AR } \ell_0 x_0) \wedge R \ell_0 x_0 x \ell \wedge \neg \gamma(\text{AR } \ell x)$$

Then:

$$\text{AR } \ell \leftarrow \text{AR } \ell \sqcup \alpha(x^M)$$

# Abstraction: Linear congruences

- States are linear congruences:

$$\mathbf{A} V = \mathbf{b} \bmod 2^m$$

- $V$  is set of program variables.
- $\mathbf{A}$  matrix,  $\mathbf{b}$  vector of coefficients [0..  $2^m - 1$ ]

# Example

```

 $\ell_0: y \leftarrow x; c \leftarrow 0;$ 
 $\ell_1: \text{while } y \neq 0 \text{ do } [ y \leftarrow y \& (y-1); c \leftarrow c+1 ]$ 
 $\ell_2:$ 

```

- When at  $\ell_2$  :
  - $y$  is 0.
  - $c$  contains number of bits in  $x$ .

# Abstraction: Linear congruences

- States are linear congruences:

$$\gamma \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \pmod{2^3} \right) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$2x_0 + 3x_1 = 1 \pmod{2^3} \wedge x_0 + x_1 = 3 \pmod{2^3} \Leftrightarrow$$

As Bit-vector constraints (SMTish syntax):

(and

$(= (\text{bvadd} (\text{bvmul} 010 x_0) (\text{bvmul} 011 x_1)) 001)$

$(= (\text{bvadd} x_0 x_1) 011)$

)

# Abstraction: Linear congruences

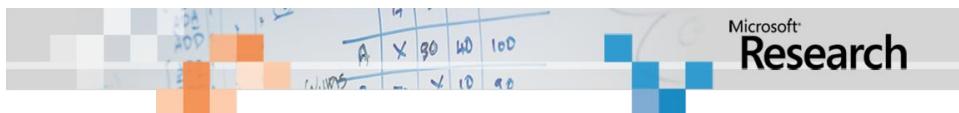
$$\textcircled{e} \quad \alpha(x=1, y=2) \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\textcircled{e} \quad (\mathbf{A} V = \mathbf{b} \bmod 2^m) \sqcup (\mathbf{A}' V = \mathbf{b}' \bmod 2^m)$$

$\textcircled{e}$  Combine:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -b & 0 & A & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -b' & 0 & A' & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -I & -I & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\textcircled{e}$  Triangulate (Muller-Olm & Seidl)
- $\textcircled{e}$  Project on  $x$



## Bounded Model Checking of Model Programs



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# Goal: Model Based Development

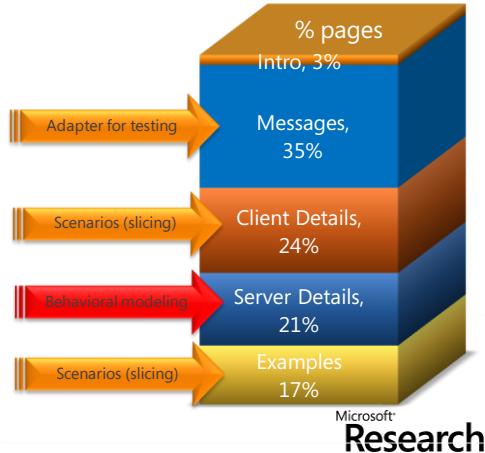
## Integration with symbolic analysis techniques at design time – smart model debugging

- Theorem proving
- Model checking
- Compositional reasoning
- Domain specific front ends
  - Different subareas require different adaptations
  - Model programs provide the common framework

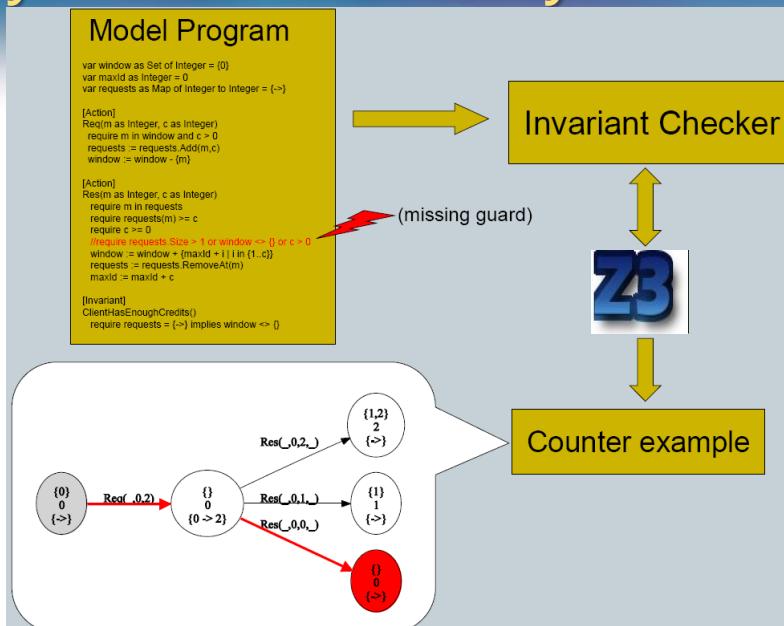
### Motivating example

- SMB2 Protocol Specification
- Sweet spot for model-based testing and verification.

## Sample protocol document for SMB2 (a network file protocol)



# Symbolic Reachability



# Bounded-reachability formula

- Given a model program  $P$  step bound  $k$  and reachability condition  $\varphi$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Reach}(P, \varphi, k) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} I_P \wedge (\bigwedge_{0 \leq i < k} P[i]) \wedge (\bigvee_{0 \leq i \leq k} \varphi[i]) \\ P[i] &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bigvee_{f \in A_P} (action[i] = f(f_1[i], \dots, f_n[i]) \wedge G_P^f[i] \\ &\quad \bigwedge_{v \in V_P^f} v[i+1] = t_v^f[i] \quad \bigwedge_{v \in V_P \setminus V_P^f} v[i+1] = v[i]) \end{aligned}$$

## Array model programs and quantifier elimination

- Array model programs* use only maps with integer domain sort.
- For normalizable comprehensions universal quantifiers can be eliminated using a decision procedure for the *array property fragment* [Bradley et. al, VMCAI 06]

## Implementation using the SMT solver Z3

- Set comprehensions are introduced through skolem constant definitions using support for quantifiers in Z3
  - Elimination of quantifiers is partial.
  - Model is refined if a spurious model is found by Z3.
    - A spurious model may be generated by Z3 if an incomplete heuristic is used during quantifier elimination.

## A different example:

## *Adaptive Planning with Finite Horizon Lookahead*

## Model program:

```

// Model program of walking in a grid until reaching goal
var x as Integer
var y as Integer
var xGoal as Integer
var yGoal as Integer
var xMax as Integer
var yMax as Integer
var yBlocks as Map of Integer to Set of Integer
var xBlocks as Map of Integer to Set of Integer

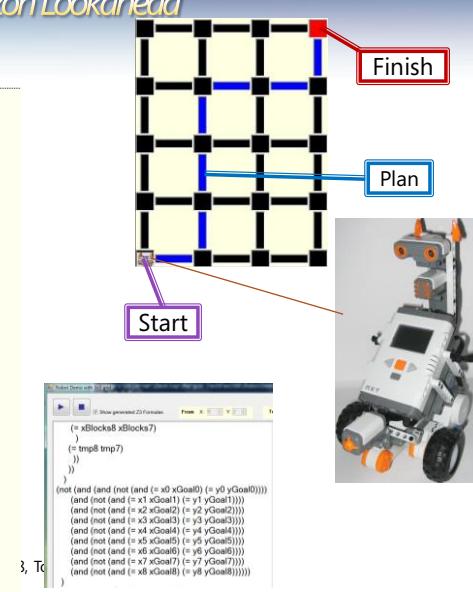
[Action]
Up()
  require y < yMax and not (y in yBlocks(x))
    and not (x = xGoal and y = yGoal)
  y := y + 1

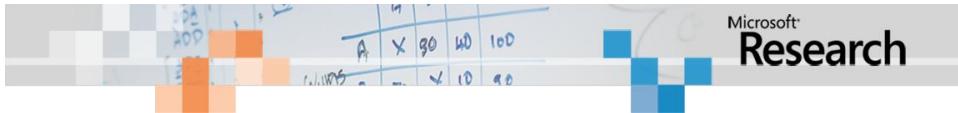
[Action]
Down()
  require y > 0 and not (y-1 in yBlocks(x))
    and not (x = xGoal and y = yGoal)
  y := y - 1

[Action]
Right()
  require x < xMax and not (x in xBlocks(y))
    and not (x = xGoal and y = yGoal)
  x := x + 1

[Action]
Left()
  require x > 0 and not (x-1 in xBlocks(y))
    and not (x = xGoal and y = yGoal)
  x := x - 1

```





# Verifying Garbage Collectors - Automatically and fast



Chris Hawblitzel

<http://www.codeplex.com/singularity/SourceControl/DirectoryView.aspx?SourcePath=%24%2fsingularity%2fbase%2fKernel%2fBartok%2fVerifiedGCs&changeSetId=14518>

## Context

**Singularity**

- Safe micro-kernel
  - 95% written in C#
  - all services and drivers in processes
- Software isolated processes (SIPs)
  - all user code is verifiably safe
  - some unsafe code in trusted runtime
  - processes and kernel sealed at execution
- Communication via channels
  - channel behavior is specified and checked
  - fast and efficient communication
- Working research prototype
  - not Windows replacement
  - shared source download

**Bartok**

- MSIL → X86 Compiler

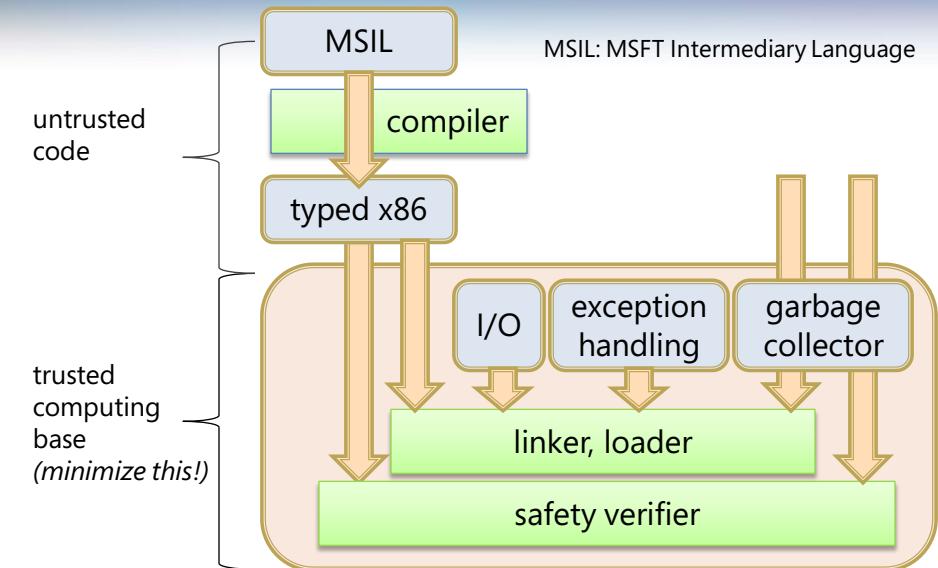
**BoogiePL**

- Procedural low-level language
- Contracts
- Verification condition generator

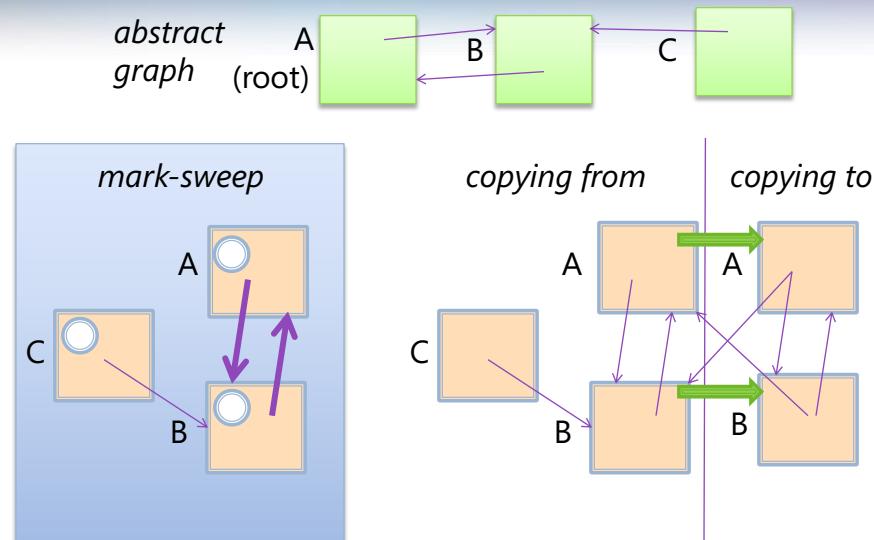
**Garbage Collectors**

- Mark&Sweep
- Copying GC
- Verify small garbage collectors
  - more automated than interactive provers
  - borrow ideas from type systems for regions

# Goal: safely run untrusted code



# Mark-sweep and copying collectors



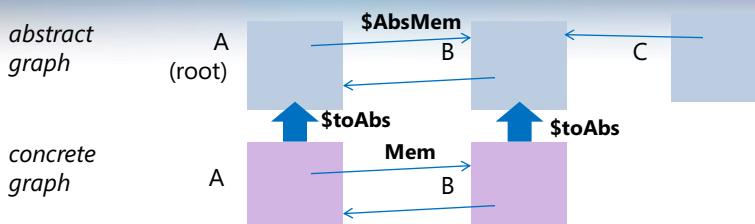
# Garbage collector properties

- safety: gc does no harm
  - type safety
    - gc turns well-typed heap into well-typed heap
  - graph isomorphism
    - concrete graph represents abstract graph
- effectiveness
  - after gc, unreachable objects reclaimed
- termination
- efficiency

} verified

} not verified

## Proving safety



```

procedure GarbageCollectMs()
  requires MsMutatorInv(root, Color, $ToAbs, $AbsMem, Mem);
  modifies Mem, Color, $ToAbs;
  ensure function MsMutatorInv(...) returns (bool) {
    WellFormed($ToAbs) && memAddr(root) && $ToAbs[root] != NO_ABS
    && (forall i:int:(memAddr(i)) memAddr(i) ==> ObjInv(i, $ToAbs, $AbsMem, Mem))
    && (forall i:int:(memAddr(i)) memAddr(i) ==> White(Color[i]))
    && (forall i:int:(memAddr(i)) memAddr(i) ==> ($ToAbs[i]==NO_ABS <==>
    Unalloc(Color[i])))

    function ObjInv(...) returns (bool) { memAddr(i) && $ToAbs[i] != NO_ABS ==>
    ... $ToAbs[Mem[i, field1]] != NO_ABS ...
    ... $ToAbs[Mem[i, field1]] == $AbsMem[$ToAbs[i], field1] ... }
  }
  call M
  call S
}
  
```

# Controlling quantifier instantiation

- Idea: use marker

```
function{expand false} T(i:int) returns (bool) { true }
```

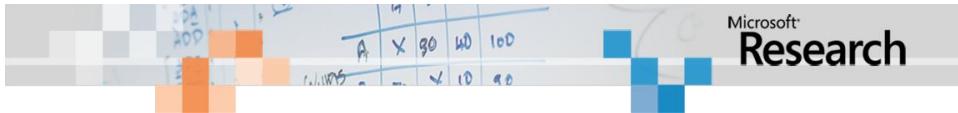
- Relativize quantifiers using marker

```
function GcInv(Color:[int]int, $toAbs:[int]int, $AbsMem:[int,int]int,
Mem:[int,int]int) returns (bool) {
    WellFormed($toAbs)
    && (forall i:int:{T(i)} T(i) ==> memAddr(i) ==>
        ObjInv(i, $toAbs, $AbsMem, Mem)
        && 0 <= Color[i] && Color[i] < 4
        && (Black(Color[i]) ==> !White(Color[Mem[i,0]]) && !White(Color[Mem[i,1]]))
        && ($toAbs[i] == NO_ABS <==> Unalloc(Color[i])))
}
```

# Controlling quantifier instantiation

- Insert markers to enable triggers

```
procedure Mark(ptr:int)
requires GcInv(Color, $toAbs, $AbsMem, Mem);
requires memAddr(ptr) && T(ptr);
requires $toAbs[ptr] != NO_ABS;
modifies Color;
ensures GcInv(Color, $toAbs, $AbsMem, Mem);
ensures (forall i:int:{T(i)} T(i) ==> !Black(Color[i]) ==> Color[i] == old(Color)[i]);
ensures !White(Color[ptr]);
{
    if (White(Color[ptr])) {
        Color[ptr]:= 2; // make gray
        call Mark(Mem[ptr,0]);
        call Mark(Mem[ptr,1]);
        Color[ptr]:= 3; // make black
    }
}
```



# Refinement Types for Secure Implementations

<http://research.microsoft.com/F7>



Jesper Bengtson,  
Karthikeyan Bhargavan,  
Cédric Fournet,  
Andrew D. Gordon,  
Sergio Maffeis  
CSF 2008

## Verifying protocol reference implementations

- Executable code has more details than models
- Executable code has better tool support: types, compilers, testing, debuggers, libraries, verification
- Using dependent types: integrate cryptographic protocol verification as a part of program verification
- Such predicates can also represent security-related concepts like roles, permissions, events, compromises, access rights,...

## Example: access control for files

- **Un-trusted code** may call a **trusted library**
- **Trusted code** expresses security policy with assumes and asserts
- Each policy violation causes an assertion failure
- F<sub>7</sub> statically prevents any assertion failures by typing

```
type facts = CanRead of string
      | CanWrite of string

let read file = assert(CanRead(file)); ...
let delete file = assert(CanWrite(file)); ...

let pwd = "C:/etc/passwd"
let tmp = "C:/temp/temp"

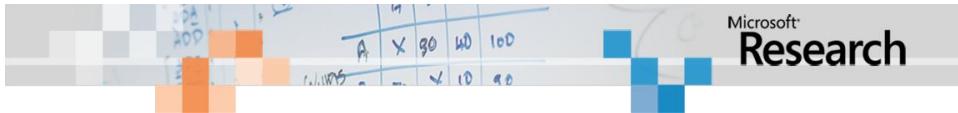
assume CanWrite(tmp)
assume  $\forall x . \text{CanWrite}(x) \rightarrow \text{CanRead}(x)$ 
```

```
let untrusted() =
  let v1 = read tmp in // ok
  let v2 = read pwd in //CanRead(pwd)
                                // assertion fails
```

## Access control with refinement types

```
val read: file:string{CanRead(file)}  $\rightarrow$  string
val delete: file:string{CanDelete(file)}  $\rightarrow$  unit
val publish: file:string  $\rightarrow$  unit{Public(file)}
```

- Pre-conditions express access control requirements
- Post-conditions express results of validation
- F<sub>7</sub> type checks partially trusted code to guarantee that all preconditions (and hence all asserts) hold at runtime

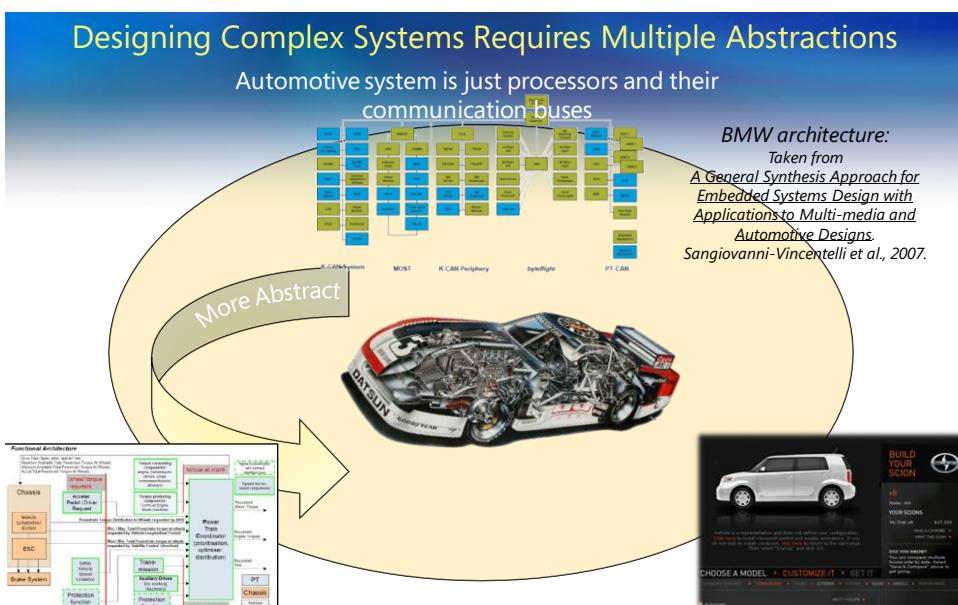


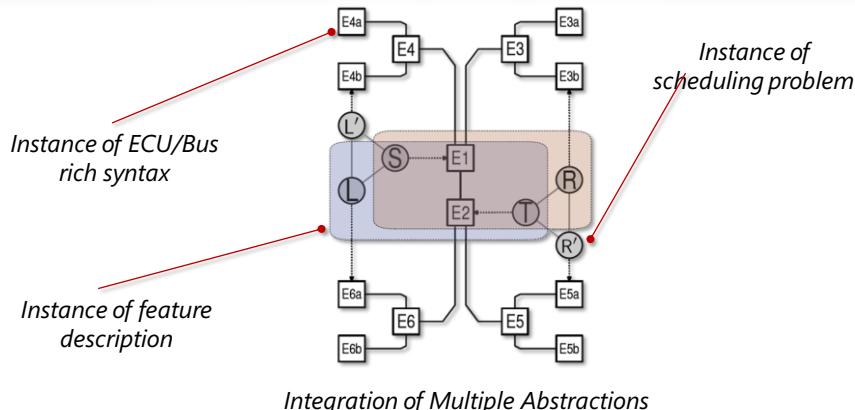
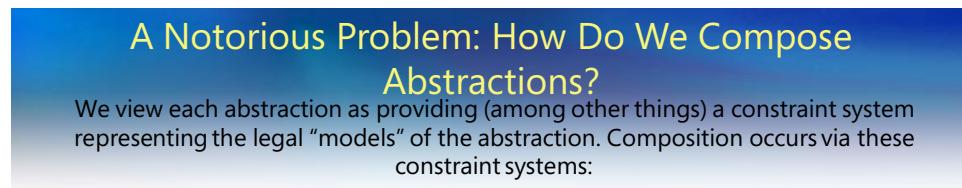
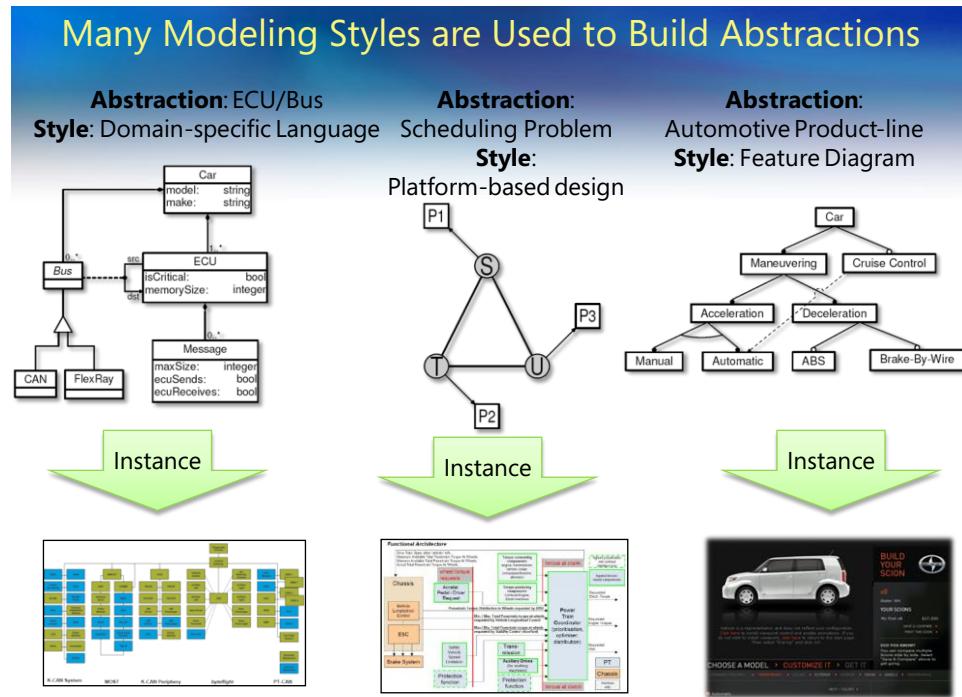
# Models for Domain Specific Languages with FORMULA & BAM



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For example, this instance must satisfy the constraints of each abstraction used in its construction.

## FORMULA is a CLP Language for Specifying, Composing, and Analyzing Abstractions

A domain encapsulates a reusable, composable constraint system

```
domain TaskMap {
    /// Primitives of the abstraction
    Task      : (ID).
    Processor : (ID).
    Taskmap   : (ID, ID).
    Constraint : (ID, ID).

    /// Rules for detecting bad schedules
    no_map(Task(x))          :- Task(x), !Taskmap(x, _).
    bad_map(Task(x), Task(y)) :- Taskmap(x, z), Taskmap(y, z),
                               Constraint(x, y).

    /// Rules for declaring bad models
    malform(no_map(x))       :- no_map(x).
    malform(bad_map(x, y))   :- bad_map(x, y).

    /// Endpoints of relations are defined
    Task(x), Processor(y)   :- TaskMap(x, y).
    Task(x), Task(y)        :- Constraint(x, y).

    /// Ask if there exists a well-formed schedule.
    ?: Constraint(x, y), Constraint(y, z), !malform(m).
}
```

Special function symbols (*malform*, *wellform*) capture legal instances in a domain-independent way.

FORMULA can construct satisfying instances to logic program queries using Z3.

## Search for satisfying instances are Reduced to Z3

This model finding procedure allows us to:

1. Determine if a composition of abstractions contains inconsistencies
2. Construct (partial) architectures that satisfy many domain constraints.
3. Generate design spaces of architectural invariants.

**Reduction to Z3 works as follows:**

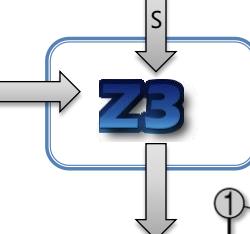
```
no_map(Task(x))          :- Task(x), !Taskmap(x, _).
bad_map(Task(x), Task(y)) :- Taskmap(x, z), Taskmap(y, z),
                           Constraint(z, y).
                           5
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                           3
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```

```
Task(x),
Task(z),
Constraint(y, z),
Processor(p),
Processor(r),
Taskmap(x, p),
Taskmap(y, q),
Taskmap(z, r)
```

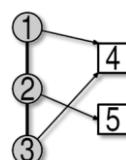


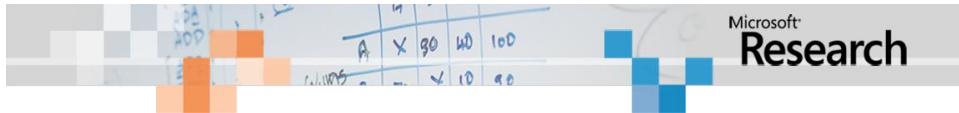
Symbolic backwards chaining yields a set of candidate terms **S** with the following property:

*A finite instance exists that satisfies the query **Q** iff some subset of **S** satisfies the query **Q**.*

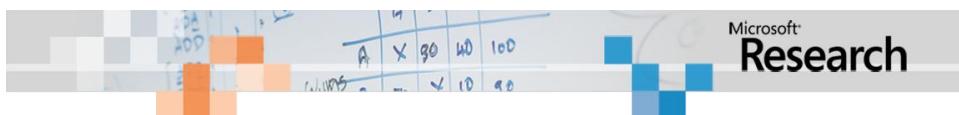
Once the finite set **S** is calculated, then **S + Q** is reduced to SMT and evaluated by Z3.

```
Task(x=1), Task(y=2), Task(z=3),
Processor(p=4), Processor(q=5),
Constraint(1,2), Constraint(2,3),
Taskmap(1,4), Taskmap(2,5),
Taskmap(3,4)
```





# *Selected Background on SMT*



## *Basics*

Pre-requisites and notation

# Language of logic - summary

- Functions , Variables, Predicates
  - $f, g, x, y, z, P, Q, =$
- Atomic formulas, Literals
  - $P(x, f(y)), \neg Q(y, z)$
- Quantifier free formulas
  - $P(f(a), b) \wedge c = g(d)$
- Formulas, sentences
  - $\forall x . \forall y . [ P(x, f(x)) \vee g(y, x) = h(y) ]$

# Language: Signatures

- A *signature*  $\Sigma$  is a finite set of:
  - Function symbols:
 
$$\Sigma_F = \{ f, g, \dots \}$$
  - Predicate symbols:
 
$$\Sigma_P = \{ P, Q, =, \text{true}, \text{false}, \dots \}$$
  - And an *arity* function:
 
$$\Sigma \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$
- Function symbols with arity 0 are *constants*
- A countable set  $V$  of *variables*
  - disjoint from  $\Sigma$

## Language: Terms

- The set of *terms*  $T(\Sigma_F, V)$  is the smallest set formed by the syntax rules:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \bullet \quad t \in T & ::= v \qquad \qquad v \in V \\ & | \quad f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \qquad f \in \Sigma_F \quad t_1, \dots, t_n \in T \end{array}$$

- *Ground terms* are given by  $T(\Sigma_F, \emptyset)$

## Language: Atomic Formulas

$$\begin{array}{ll} \bullet \quad a \in Atoms & ::= P(t_1, \dots, t_n) \\ & \qquad \qquad P \in \Sigma_P \quad t_1, \dots, t_n \in T \end{array}$$

An atom is *ground* if  $t_1, \dots, t_n \in T(\Sigma_F, \emptyset)$

Literals are (negated) atoms:

- $l \in Literals \quad ::= a \mid \neg a \qquad a \in Atoms$

# Language: Quantifier free formulas

- The set QFF( $\Sigma, V$ ) of *quantifier free formulas* is the smallest set such that:

$\varphi \in \text{QFF}$	$::= a \in \text{Atoms}$	<i>atoms</i>
	$\neg \varphi$	<i>negations</i>
	$\varphi \leftrightarrow \varphi'$	<i>bi-implications</i>
	$\varphi \wedge \varphi'$	<i>conjunction</i>
	$\varphi \vee \varphi'$	<i>disjunction</i>
	$\varphi \rightarrow \varphi'$	<i>implication</i>

# Language: Formulas

- The set of *first-order formulas* are obtained by adding the formation rules:

$\varphi ::= ...$		
	$\forall x . \varphi$	<i>universal quant.</i>
	$\exists x . \varphi$	<i>existential quant.</i>

- *Free* (occurrences) of *variables* in a formula are those not bound by a quantifier.
- A *sentence* is a first-order formula with no free variables.

# Theories

- A (first-order) theory  $T$  (over signature  $\Sigma$ ) is a set of (deductively closed) sentences (over  $\Sigma$  and  $V$ )
- Let  $DC(\Gamma)$  be the deductive closure of a set of sentences  $\Gamma$ .
  - For every theory  $T$ ,  $DC(T) = T$
- A theory  $T$  is *consistent* if  $false \notin T$
- We can view a (first-order) theory  $T$  as the class of all *models* of  $T$  (due to completeness of first-order logic).

# Models (Semantics)

- A model  $M$  is defined as:
  - Domain  $S$ ; set of elements.
  - Interpretation,  $f^M : S^n \rightarrow S$  for each  $f \in \Sigma_F$  with  $\text{arity}(f) = n$
  - Interpretation  $P^M \subseteq S^n$  for each  $P \in \Sigma_P$  with  $\text{arity}(P) = n$
  - Assignment  $x^M \in S$  for every variable  $x \in V$
- A formula  $\varphi$  is true in a model  $M$  if it evaluates to true under the given interpretations over the domain  $S$ .
- $M$  is a *model for the theory  $T$*  if all sentences of  $T$  are true in  $M$ .

## T-Satisfiability

- A formula  $\varphi(x)$  is T-satisfiable in a theory  $T$  if there is a model of  $DC(T \cup \exists x \varphi(x))$ . That is, there is a model  $M$  for  $T$  in which  $\varphi(x)$  evaluates to true.
- Notation:

$$M \models_T \varphi(x)$$

## T-Validity

- A formula  $\varphi(x)$  is T-valid in a theory  $T$  if  $\forall x \varphi(x) \in T$ . That is,  $\varphi(x)$  evaluates to true in every model  $M$  of  $T$ .
- *T-validity:*

$$\models_T \varphi(x)$$

# Checking validity

- Checking the validity of  $\varphi$  in a theory  $T$ :

$\varphi$  is  $T$ -valid

$\equiv T\text{-unsat}$ :  $\neg\varphi$

$\equiv T\text{-unsat}$ :  $\forall x \exists y \forall z \exists u . \phi$  (prenex of  $\neg\varphi$ )

$\equiv T\text{-unsat}$ :  $\forall x \forall z . \phi[f(x), g(x, z)]$  (skolemize)

$\Leftarrow T\text{-unsat}$ :  $\phi[f(a_1), g(a_1, b_1)] \wedge \dots \wedge \phi[f(a_n), g(a_n, b_n)]$  (instantiate)  
 $\qquad\qquad\qquad (\Rightarrow \text{if compactness})$

$\equiv T\text{-unsat}$ :  $\phi_1 \vee \dots \vee \phi_m$  (DNF)  
 where each  $\phi_i$  is a conjunction.

# Checking Validity – the morale

- Theory solvers must minimally be able to
  - check *unsatisfiability* of conjunctions of literals.

# Clauses – CNF conversion

We want to only work with formulas in *Conjunctive Normal Form CNF*.

$\varphi: x = 5 \Leftrightarrow (y < 3 \vee z = x)$  is not in CNF.

# Clauses – CNF conversion

$\varphi: x = 5 \Leftrightarrow (y < 3 \vee z = x)$



Equi-satisfiable CNF formula

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi': & (\neg p \vee x = 5) \wedge (p \vee \neg x = 5) \wedge \\ & (\neg p \vee y < 3 \vee z = x) \wedge \\ & (p \vee \neg y < 3) \wedge (p \vee \neg z = x)\end{aligned}$$

## Clauses – CNF conversion

$$\text{cnf}(\varphi) = \text{let } (q, F) = \text{cnf}'(\varphi) \text{ in } q \wedge F$$

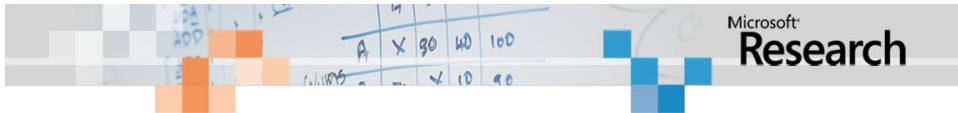
$$\text{cnf}'(a) = (a, \text{true})$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{cnf}'(\varphi \wedge \varphi') &= \text{let } (q, F_1) = \text{cnf}'(\varphi) \\ &\quad (r, F_2) = \text{cnf}'(\varphi') \\ &\quad p = \text{fresh Boolean variable} \\ &\quad \text{in} \\ &\quad (p, F_1 \wedge F_2 \wedge (\neg p \vee q) \wedge \\ &\quad (\neg p \vee r) \wedge \\ &\quad (\neg p \vee \neg q \vee \neg r))\end{aligned}$$

**Exercise:**  $\text{cnf}'(\varphi \vee \varphi')$ ,  $\text{cnf}'(\varphi \leftrightarrow \varphi')$ ,  $\text{cnf}'(\neg \varphi)$

## Clauses - CNF

- Main properties of basic CNF
- Result  $F$  is a set of *clauses*.
- $\varphi$  is  $T$ -satisfiable iff  $\text{cnf}(\varphi)$  is.
- $\text{size}(\text{cnf}(\varphi)) \leq 4(\text{size}(\varphi))$
- $\varphi \Leftrightarrow \exists p_{\text{aux}} \text{ cnf}(\varphi)$



# DPLL( $\emptyset$ )

## DPLL - *classique*

- Incrementally build a model  $M$  for a CNF formula  $F$  (*set of clauses*).
- Initially  $M$  is the empty assignment
- **Propagate:**  $M: M(r) \leftarrow \text{false}$ 
  - if  $(p \vee \neg q \vee \neg r) \in F, M(p) = \text{false}, M(q) = \text{true}$
- **Decide**  $M(p) \leftarrow \text{true}$  or  $M(p) \leftarrow \text{false}$ ,
  - if  $p$  is not assigned.
- **Backtrack:**
  - if  $(p \vee \neg q \vee \neg r) \in F, M(p) = \text{false}, M(q) = M(r) = \text{true}, (\text{e.g. } M \models_T \neg C)$

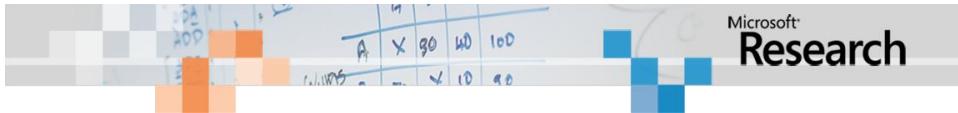
# Modern DPLL – as transitions

- *Maintain states of the form:*
  - $M \parallel F$  - during search
  - $M \parallel F \parallel C$  – for backjumping
  - $M$  a partial model,  $F$  are clauses,  $C$  is a clause.
- **Decide**  $M \parallel F \Rightarrow M^{l^d} \parallel F$       **if**  $l \in F \setminus M$   
 $d$  is a decision marker
- **Propagate**  $M \parallel F \Rightarrow M^{l^C} \parallel F$

**if**  $l \in C \in F$ ,  $C = (C' \vee l)$ ,  $M \models_T \neg C'$

# Modern DPLL – as transitions

- **Conflict**  $M \parallel F \Rightarrow M \parallel F \parallel C$       **if**  $C \in F$ ,  $M \models_T \neg C$
- **Learn**  $M \parallel F \parallel C \Rightarrow M \parallel F, C \parallel C$  *i.e., add  $C$  to  $F$*
- **Resolve**  $M p^{(C' \vee p)} \parallel F \parallel C \vee \neg p \Rightarrow M \parallel F \parallel C \vee C'$
- **Skip**  $M p \parallel F \parallel C \Rightarrow M \parallel F \parallel C$       **if**  $\neg l \notin C$
- **Backjump**  $M M'^{l^d} \parallel F \parallel C \Rightarrow M \neg l^C \parallel F$   
**if**  $\neg l \in C$  and  $M'$  does not intersect with  $\neg C$



# DPLL( $E$ )

## DPLL( $E$ )

- Congruence closure just checks satisfiability of *conjunction of literals*.
- How does this fit together with Boolean search DPLL?
- DPLL builds partial model  $M$  *incrementally*
  - Use  $M$  to build  $C^*$ 
    - After every **Decision** or **Propagate**, or
    - When  $F$  is propositionally satisfied by  $M$ .
  - Check that disequalities are satisfied.

# *E - conflicts*

Recall **Conflict**:

- **Conflict**  $M \parallel F \Rightarrow M \parallel F \parallel C$  if  $C \in F, M \models_T \neg C$

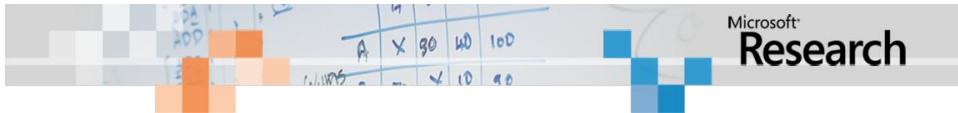
A version more useful for theories:

- **Conflict**  $M \parallel F \Rightarrow M \parallel F \parallel C$  if  $C \subseteq \neg M, \models_T C$

# *E - conflicts*

Example

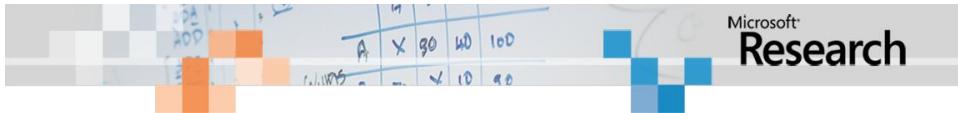
- $M = fff(a) = a, g(b) = c, fffff(a) = a, a \neq f(a)$
- $\neg C = fff(a) = a, fffff(a) = a, a \neq f(a)$
- $\models_E fff(a) \neq a \vee fffff(a) \neq a \vee a = f(a)$
  
  
  
- Use  $C$  as a conflict clause.



# Linear Arithmetic

## Approaches to linear arithmetic

- Fourier-Motzkin:
  - Quantifier elimination procedure
$$\exists x (t \leq ax \wedge t' \leq bx \wedge cx \leq t'') \Leftrightarrow ct \leq at' \wedge ct' \leq bt''$$
  - Polynomial for difference logic.
  - Generally: exponential space, doubly exponential time.
- Simplex:
  - Worst-case exponential, but
  - Time-tried practical efficiency.
  - Linear space



# Combining Theory Solvers

## Nelson-Oppen procedure

**Initial state:**  $L$  is set of literals over  $\Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2$

**Purify:** Preserving satisfiability,  
 convert  $L$  into  $L' = L_1 \cup L_2$  such that  
 $L_1 \in T(\Sigma_1, V)$ ,  $L_2 \in T(\Sigma_2, V)$   
 So  $L_1 \cap L_2 = V_{\text{shared}} \subseteq V$

**Interaction:**

Guess a partition of  $V_{\text{shared}}$

Express the partition as a conjunction of equalities.

Example,  $\{x_1\}, \{x_2, x_3\}, \{x_4\}$  is represented as:

$\psi: x_1 \neq x_2 \wedge x_1 \neq x_4 \wedge x_2 \neq x_4 \wedge x_2 = x_3$

**Component Procedures:**

Use solver 1 to check satisfiability of  $L_1 \wedge \psi$

Use solver 2 to check satisfiability of  $L_2 \wedge \psi$

## NO – reduced guessing

- Instead of guessing, we can often *deduce* the equalities to be shared.
- **Interaction:**  $T_1 \wedge L_1 \vDash x = y$   
then add equality to  $\psi$ .
- If theories are *convex*, then we can:
  - Deduce all equalities.
  - Assume every thing not deduced is distinct.
  - Complexity:  $O(n^4 \times T_1(n) \times T_2(n))$ .

## Model-based combination

- Reduced guessing is only complete for convex theories.
- Deducing all implied equalities may be expensive.
  - Example: Simplex – no direct way to extract from just bounds and  $\beta$
- *But:* backtracking is pretty cheap nowadays:
  - If  $\beta(x) = \beta(y)$ , then  $x, y$  are equal in arithmetical component.

# Model-based combination

- Backjumping is cheap with modern DPLL:
  - If  $\beta(x) = \beta(y)$ , then  $x, y$  are equal in arithmetical model.
  - So let's add  $x = y$  to  $\psi$ , but allow to backtrack from guess.
- In general: if  $M_1$  is the current model
  - $M_1 \models x = y$  then add literal  $(x = y)^d$



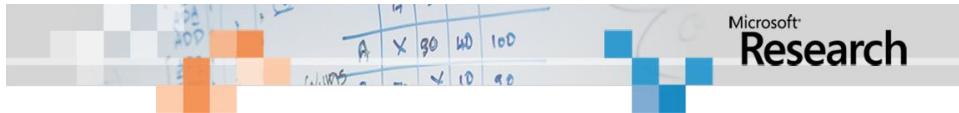
# Arrays

# Theory of arrays

- Functions:  $\Sigma_F = \{ \text{read}, \text{write} \}$
- Predicates:  $\Sigma_P = \{ = \}$
- Convention  $a[i]$  means:  $\text{read}(a, i)$
  
- Non-extensional arrays  $T_A$ :
  - $\forall a, i, v . \text{write}(a, i, v)[i] = v$
  - $\forall a, i, j, v . i \neq j \Rightarrow \text{write}(a, i, v)[j] = a[j]$
  
- Extensional arrays:  $T_{EA} = T_A +$ 
  - $\forall a, b . ((\forall i . a[i] = b[i]) \Rightarrow a = b)$

# Decision procedures for arrays

- Let  $L$  be literals over  $\Sigma_F = \{ \text{read}, \text{write} \}$
- Find  $M$  such that:  $M \vDash_{T_A} L$
  
- Basic algorithm, reduce to  $E$ :
  - for every sub-term  $\text{read}(a, i), \text{write}(b, j, v)$  in  $L$ 
    - $i \neq j \wedge a = b \Rightarrow \text{read}(\text{write}(b, j, v), i) = \text{read}(a, i)$
    - $\text{read}(\text{write}(b, j, v), j) = v$
  - Find  $M_E$  such that
 
$$M_E \vDash_E L \wedge \text{AssertedAxioms}$$



# *Quantifiers and E-graph matching*

## DPLL(QT) – *cute quantifiers*

- We can use DPLL(T) for  $\varphi$  with quantifiers.
- Treat quantified sub-formulas as atomic predicates.
- In other words, if  $\forall x.\psi(x)$  is a sub-formula of  $\varphi$ , then introduce *fresh*  $p$ . Solve instead

$$\varphi[\forall x.\psi(x) \leftarrow p]$$

## DPLL(QT)

- Suppose DPLL(T) sets  $p$  to **false**
  - $\Rightarrow$  any model  $M$  for  $\varphi$  must satisfy:
 
$$M \models \neg \forall x. \psi(x)$$
  - $\Rightarrow$  for some  $sk_x$ :  $M \models \neg \psi(sk_x)$
  - In general:  $\models \neg p \rightarrow \neg \psi(sk_x)$

## DPLL(QT)

- Suppose DPLL(T) sets  $p$  to **true**
  - $\Rightarrow$  any model  $M$  for  $\varphi$  must satisfy:
 
$$M \models \forall x. \psi(x)$$
  - $\Rightarrow$  for every term  $t$ :  $M \models \psi(t)$
  - In general:  $\models p \rightarrow \psi(t)$   
For every term  $t$ .

# DPLL(QT)

- Summary of auxiliary axioms:

- $\models \neg p \rightarrow \neg \psi(\text{sk}_x)$  For fixed, fresh  $\text{sk}_x$
- $\models p \rightarrow \psi(t)$  For every term  $t$ .

- Which terms  $t$  to use for auxiliary axioms of the second kind?

# DPLL(QT) with E-matching

- $\models p \rightarrow \psi(t)$  For every term  $t$ .

- Approach:

- Add patterns to quantifiers
- Search for instantiations in  $E$ -graph.

$\forall a,i,v \{ \text{write}(a,i,v) \} . \text{read}(\text{write}(a,i,v),i) = v$

# DPLL(QT) with E-matching

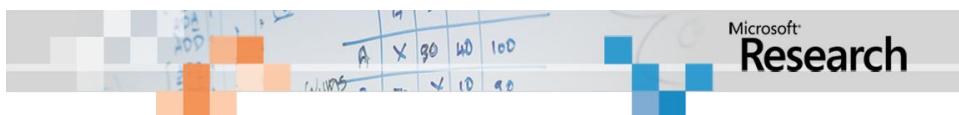
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- Add patterns to quantifiers
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$$\forall a, i, v \{ \text{write}(a, i, v) \} . \text{read}(\text{write}(a, i, v), i) = v$$

- Add equality every time there is a  $\text{write}(b, j, w)$  term in  $E$ .



# Z3 -An Efficient SMT Solver

# Main features

- Linear real and integer arithmetic.
- Fixed-size bit-vectors
- Uninterpreted functions
- Extensional arrays
- Quantifiers
- Model generation
- Several input formats (Simplify, SMT-LIB, Z3, Dimacs)
- Extensive API (C/C++, .Net, OCaml)

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**Z3** An Efficient SMT Solver

**Introduction**

Z3 is a new high-performance theorem prover being developed at Microsoft Research. Z3 supports linear real and integer arithmetic, fixed-size bit-vectors, extensional arrays, uninterpreted functions, and quantifiers. Z3 is still under development, but it has already been integrated with Spec# Boogie, and HAVOC. We are currently integrating Z3 with Pex, SAGE, Yogi, Vigilante, and SLAM. It can read problems in SMT-LIB and Simplify formats.

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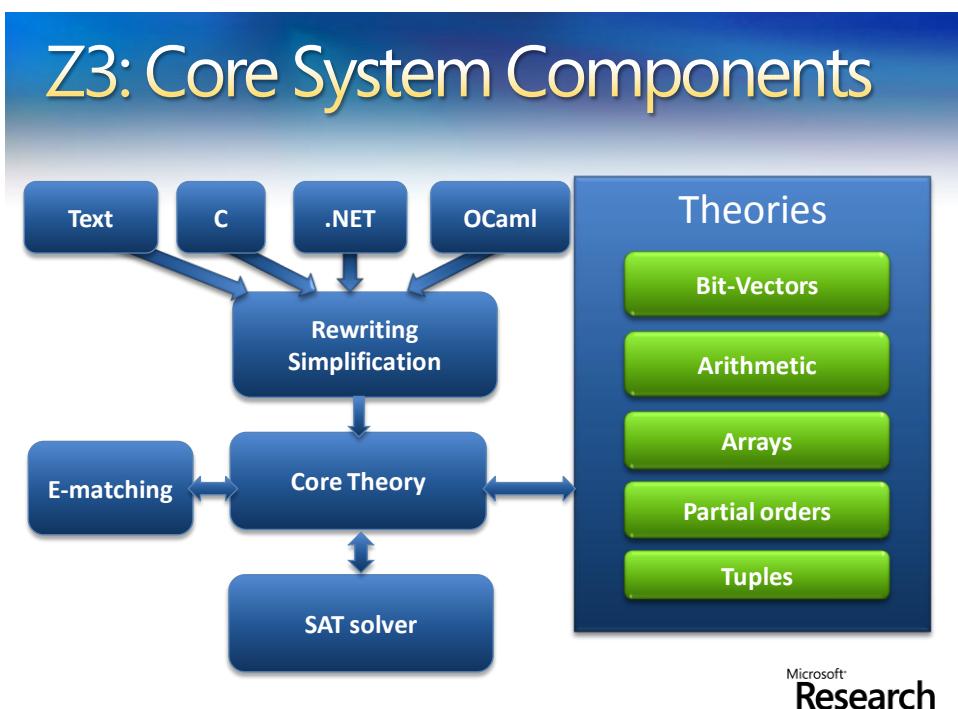
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# Example: C API

```

for (n = 2; n <= 5; n++) {
    printf("n = %d\n", n);
    ctx = z3_mk_context(cfg);

    bool_type = z3_mk_bool_type(ctx);
    array_type = z3_mk_array_type(ctx, bool_type, bool_type);

    /* create arrays */
    for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        z3_symbol s = z3_mk_int_symbol(ctx, i);
        a[i] = z3_mk_const(ctx, s, array_type);
    }

    /* assert distinct(a[0], ..., a[n]) */
    d = z3_mk_distinct(ctx, n, a);
    printf("%s\n", z3_ast_to_string(ctx, d));
    z3_assert_cstr(ctx, d);

    /* context is satisfiable if n < 5 */
    if (z3_check(ctx) == l_false)
        printf("unsatisfiable, n: %d\n", n);

    z3_del_context(ctx);
}

```

Given arrays:

```

bool a1[bool];
bool a2[bool];
bool a3[bool];
bool a4[bool];

```

All can be distinct.

Add:

```
bool a5[bool];
```

Two of a1,..,a5 must be equal.



# Example: SMT-LIB

```

(benchmark integer-linear-arithmetic
:status sat
:logic QF_LIA
:extrafuns ((x1 Int) (x2 Int) (x3 Int)
            (x4 Int) (x5 Int))
:formula (and (>= (- x1 x2) 1)
           (<= (- x1 x2) 3)
           (= x1 (+ (* 2 x3) x5))
           (= x3 x5)
           (= x2 (* 6 x4)))
)

```

```

(benchmark array
:logic QF_AUFLIA
:status unsat
:extrafuns ((a Array) (b Array) (c Array))
:extrafuns ((i Int) (j Int))

:formula (and
          (= (store a i v) b)
          (= (store a j w) c)
          (= (select b j) w)
          (= (select c i) v)
          (not (= b c)))
)

```

# SMT-LIB syntax – basics

- *benchmark* ::= (benchmark *name*  
[:status (sat | unsat | unknown)]  
:logic *logic-name*  
declaration\*)
- *declaration* ::= :extrafuns (*func-decl*\*)  
| :extrapreds (*pred-decl*\*)  
| :extrasorts (*sort-decl*\*)  
| :assumption *fmla*  
| :formula *fmla*
- *sort-decl* ::= *id* - identifier
- *func-decl* ::= *id* *sort-decl*\* *sort-decl* - name of function, domain, range
- *pred-decl* ::= *id* *sort-decl*\* - name of predicate, domain
- *fmla* ::= (and *fmla*\*) | (or *fmla*\*) | (not *fmla*)  
| (if\_then\_else *fmla* *fmla* *fmla*) | (= *term* *term*)  
| (implies *fmla* *fmla*) (iff *fmla* *fmla*) | (predicate *term*\*)
- *Term* ::= (ite *fmla* *term* *term*)  
| (*id* *term*\*) - function application  
| *id* - constant

# SMT-LIB syntax - basics

- Logics:
- QF\_UF – Un-interpreted functions. Built-in sort **U**
- QF\_AUFLIA – Arrays and Integer linear arithmetic.
- Built-in Sorts:
  - **Int, Array** (of Int to Int)
- Built-in Predicates:
  - <=, >=, <, >,
- Built-in Functions:
  - +, \*, -, select, store.
- Constants: 0, 1, 2, ...

## SMT-LIB – encodings

- Q: There is no built-in function for *max* or *min*. How do I encode it?

- (*max* *x* *y*) is the same as (*ite* (*>* *x* *y*) *x* *y*)
- Also: replace (*max* *x* *y*) by fresh constant *max\_x\_y* add assumptions:  
*:assumption (implies (> x y) (= max\_x\_y x))*  
*:assumption (implies (<= x y) (= max\_x\_y y))*

- Q: Encode the predicate (*even n*), that is true when *n* is even.

## Quantifiers

Quantified formulas in SMT-LIB:

- fmla* ::= ...  
 | (*forall* *bound*\* *fmla*)  
 | (*exists* *bound*\* *fmla*)
  - Bound* ::= (*id sort-id*)
- Q: I want *f* to be an injective function. Write an axiom that forces *f* to be injective.
- Patterns: guiding the instantiation of quantifiers (Lecture 5)
- fmla* ::= ...  
 | (*forall* (?*x A*) (?*y B*) *fmla :pat { term }*)  
 | (*exists* (?*x A*) (?*y B*) *fmla :pat { term }*)
- Q: what are the patterns for the injectivity axiom?

# Using the Z3 (managed) API

Create a context z3:

```
open Microsoft.Z3
open System.Collections.Generic
open System
```

```
let par = new Config()
do par.SetParamValue("MODEL", "true")
let z3 = new TypeSafeContext(par)
```

```
let check (fmla) =
    z3.Push();
    z3.AssertCnstr(fmla);
    (match z3.Check() with
    | LBool.False -> Printf.printf "unsat\n"
    | LBool.True -> Printf.printf "sat\n"
    | LBool.Undef -> Printf.printf "unknown\n"
    | _ -> assert false);
    z3.Pop(1ul)
```

Check a formula

- Push
- AssertCnstr
- Check
- Pop

# Using the Z3 (managed) API

```
let (==) x y = z3.MkEq(x,y)
let (==>) x y = z3.MkImplies(x,y)
let (&&) x y = z3.MkAnd(x,y)
let neg x = z3.MkNot(x)

let a = z3.MkType("a")
let f_decl = z3.MkFuncDecl("f",a,a)
let x = z3.MkConst("x",a)
let f x = z3.MkApp(f_decl,x)
```

Declaring z3 shortcuts,  
constants and functions

Proving a theorem

```
let fmla1 = ((x == f(f(f(f(f x)))))) && (x == f(f(f x)))) ==> (x == (f x))
do check (neg fmla1)
```

```
(benchmark euf
:logic QF_UF
:extrafuns ((f U U) (x U))
:formula (not (implies (and (= x (f(f(f(f(f x)))))) (= x (f(f(f x)))))) (= x (f x))))
```

compared to

# Enumerating models

We want to find models for

$$\begin{aligned} 2 < i_1 \leq 5 \wedge 1 < i_2 \leq 7 \wedge -1 < i_3 \leq 17 \wedge \\ 0 \leq i_1 + i_2 + i_3 \wedge i_2 + i_3 = i_1 \end{aligned}$$

But we only care about different  $i_1$

# Enumerating models

- Representing the problem

$2 < i_1 \leq 5 \wedge$   
 $1 < i_2 \leq 7 \wedge$   
 $-1 < i_3 \leq 17 \wedge$    
 $0 \leq i_1 + i_2 + i_3 \wedge$   
 $i_2 + i_3 = i_1$

```
void Test() {
    Config par = new Config();
    par.SetParamValue("MODEL", "true");
    z3 = new TypeSafeContext(par);
    intT = z3.MkIntType();
    i1 = z3.MkConst("i1", intT); i2 = z3.MkConst("i2", intT);
    i3 = z3.MkConst("i3", intT);

    z3.AssertCnstr(Num(2) < i1 & i1 <= Num(5));
    z3.AssertCnstr(Num(1) < i2 & i2 <= Num(7));
    z3.AssertCnstr(Num(-1) < i3 & i3 <= Num(17));
    z3.AssertCnstr(Num(0) <= i1 + i2 + i3 & Eq(i2 + i3, i1));
    Enumerate();
    par.Dispose();
    z3.Dispose();
}
```

# Enumerating models

## Enumeration:

```
void Enumerate() {
    TypeSafeModel model = null;
    while (LBool.True == z3.CheckAndGetModel(ref model)) {
        model.Display(Console.Out);
        int v1 = model.GetNumeralValueInt(model.Eval(i1));
        TermAst block = Eq(Num(v1), i1);
        Console.WriteLine("Block {0}", block);
        z3.AssertCnstr(!block);
        model.Dispose();
    }
}

TermAst Eq(TermAst t1, TermAst t2) { return z3.MkEq(t1, t2); }

TermAst Num(int i) { return z3.MkNumeral(i, intT); }
```

partitions:  
 \*2 (i2) -> 2:int  
 \*3 (i3) -> 1:int  
 \*4 (i1) -> 3:int  
 Block (= 3 i1)  
 partitions:  
 \*2 (i2 i3) -> 2:int  
 \*4 (i1) -> 4:int  
 Block (= 4 i1)  
 partitions:  
 \*2 (i2) -> 2:int  
 \*3 (i3) -> 3:int  
 \*4 (i1) -> 5:int  
 Block (= 5 i1)

# Push, Pop

```
int Maximize(TermAst a, int lo, int hi) {
    while (lo < hi) {
        int mid = (lo+hi)/2;
        Console.WriteLine("lo: {0}, hi: {1}, mid: {2}", lo, hi, mid);
        z3.Push();
        z3.AssertCnstr(Num(mid+1) <= a & a <= Num(hi));
        TypeSafeModel model = null;
        if (LBool.True == z3.CheckAndGetModel(ref model)) {
            lo = model.GetNumeralValueInt(model.Eval(a));
            model.Dispose();
        }
        else hi = mid;
        z3.Pop();
    }
    return hi;
}
```

Maximize(i3,-1,17):

```
lo: -1, hi: 17, mid: 8
lo: -1, hi: 8, mid: 3
lo: -1, hi: 3, mid: 1
lo: 2, hi: 3, mid: 2
Optimum: 3
```

# Push, Pop – but reuse search

```
int Maximize(TermAst a, int lo, int hi) {
    while (lo < hi) {
        int mid = (lo+hi)/2;
        Console.WriteLine("lo: {0}, hi: {1}, mid: {2}",lo,hi,mid);
        z3.Push();
        z3.AssertCnstr(Num(mid+1) <= a & a <= Num(hi));
        TypeSafeModel model = null;
        if (LBool.True == z3.CheckAndGetModel(ref model)) {
            lo = model.GetNumeralValueInt(model.Eval(a));
            model.Dispose();
            lo = Maximize(a, lo, hi);
        }
        else hi = mid;
        z3.Pop();
    }
    return hi;
}
```