Towards Verifying the Bitcoin-S Library

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```
val privKey = ECPrivateKey.freshPrivateKey
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      val spk = P2PKHScriptPubKey(
        pubKey = privKey.publicKey
      )
      val amount = Satoshis(Int64(10000))
      val utxo = TransactionOutput(
        currencyUnit = amount,
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        scriptPubKey = spk
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      )
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      val tx = BaseTransaction(
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        version = Int32.one,
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        inputs = List.empty,
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        outputs = List(utxo),
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        lockTime = UInt32.zero
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```

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Stainless: Example

```
1  def factorial(n: Int): Int = {
2    require(n >= 0)
3    if (n == 0) {
4         1
5         } else {
6         n * factorial(n - 1)
7         }
8  } ensuring(res => res >= 0)
```

Stainless: Example

Stainless output for the factorial function

```
[ Info ] - Now solving 'postcondition' VC for factorial @10:3...
[ Info ] - Result for 'postcondition' VC for factorial @10:3:
[Warning ] => INVALID
[Warning ] Found counter-example:
[Warning] n: Int -> 17
[ Info ]
  Info | m stainless summary
[ Info ] | factorial postcondition
                                                     valid from cache
                                                                                src/TestFactorial.scala:10:3 1.055
[ Info ] | factorial postcondition
                                                     invalid
                                                                       U:smt-z3 src/TestFactorial.scala:10:3 7.861
[ Info ] | factorial precond. (call factorial(n - 1)) valid from cache
                                                                                src/TestFactorial.scala:15:11 1.054
  Info | | total: 3  valid: 2  (2 from cache) invalid: 1  unknown: θ
```

Stainless

Pure Scala

- Stainless works on a subset of Scala called Pure Scala
- It's essentially algebraic datatypes (case classes) and pure functions
- Some things that it does not include:
 - inheritance by objects
 - abstract type members
 - inner classes in case objects
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Inheriting Objects

```
This:
```

```
val zero = Satoshis(Int64.zero)
val one = Satoshis(Int64.one)

Becomes this:

case object Satoshis extends BaseNumbers[Satoshis] {
val zero = Satoshis(Int64.zero)
val one = Satoshis(Int64.one)
```

object Satoshis extends BaseNumbers[Satoshis] {

Abstract Type Members

```
This:
   sealed abstract class CurrencyUnit {
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     type A
     protected def underlying: A
   sealed abstract class Satoshis extends CurrencyUnit {
     override type A = Int64
   Becomes this:
   sealed abstract class CurrencyUnit {
2
     protected def underlying: Int64
   sealed abstract class Satoshis extends CurrencyUnit
```

Missing Bitwise &-Function on BigInt

```
This:
sealed abstract class Number {
 def andMask: BigInt
  def checkResult(result: BigInt): BigInt = {
    require((result & andMask) == result)
    result
Becomes this:
sealed abstract class Number {
  // removed redundant checkResult function
```

Specification and Stainless Output

def +(c: CurrencyUnit): CurrencyUnit = {

```
require(c.satoshis == Satoshis.zero)
       Satoshis (
          satoshis.underlying + c.satoshis.underlying
5
    } ensuring(res => res.satoshis == this.satoshis)
             - Now solving 'postcondition' VC for + @9:3...
      Info
      Tnfo
             - Result for 'postcondition' VC for + @9:3:
      Info
             => VALID
      Info
               stainless summary
      Info
      Info
              + postcondition valid U:smt-z3 verified/currency/CurrencyUnits.scala:9:3
      Info
                                                                                  1.451
      Info
                       valid: 1
                                 (0 from cache) invalid: 0
                                                        unknown: 0
      Info
              total: 1
                                                                    time: 1.451
      Info
```

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Bug 1: Function checkTransaction is too restrictive

Bug 2: Function checkResult is buggy (and redundant)

```
✓ 22 ■■■■ core/src/main/scala/org/bitcoins/core/number/NumberType.scala 
            00 -37,10 +37,10 00 sealed abstract class Number[T <: Number[T]]
                /** Factory function to create the underlying T. for instance a UInt32 */
                def apply: A => T

    override def +(num: T): T = apply(checkResult(underlying + num.underlying))

                override def -(num: T): T = apply(checkResult(underlying - num.underlying))
                override def "(factor: BigInt): T = apply(checkResult(underlying " factor))
                override def *(num: T): T = apply(checkResult(underlying * num.underlying))
            + override def +(num: T): T = apply(underlying + num.underlying)
               override def -(num: T): T = apply(underlying - num.underlying)
            + override def *(factor: BigInt): T = apply(underlying * factor)
               override def *(num: T): T = apply(underlying * num.underlying)
                 override def compare(num: T): Int = underlying compare num.underlying
                -64.20 +64.10 80 sealed abstract class Number[T] <: Number[T]]
                 def |(num: T): T = apply(checkResult(underlying | num.underlying))
                def &(num: T): T = apply(checkResult(underlying & num.underlying))
            + def | (num: T): T = apply(underlying | num.underlying)
       68 + def &(num; T); T = apply(underlying & num.underlying)
                def unary - : T = apply(-underlying)
                   * Checks if the given result is within the range
                   * of this number type
                private def checkResult(result: BigInt): A = {
                   require((result & andMask) -- result,
                           "Result was out of bounds, got: " + result)
                   result
```

Conclusion

Lessons learned

- Even verifying very simple properties requires significantly rewriting existing Scala code
- This is true even for purely functional code
- We can't really verify existing code really we verify a re-implementation of it
- But attempting to verify has been very useful for finding bugs