

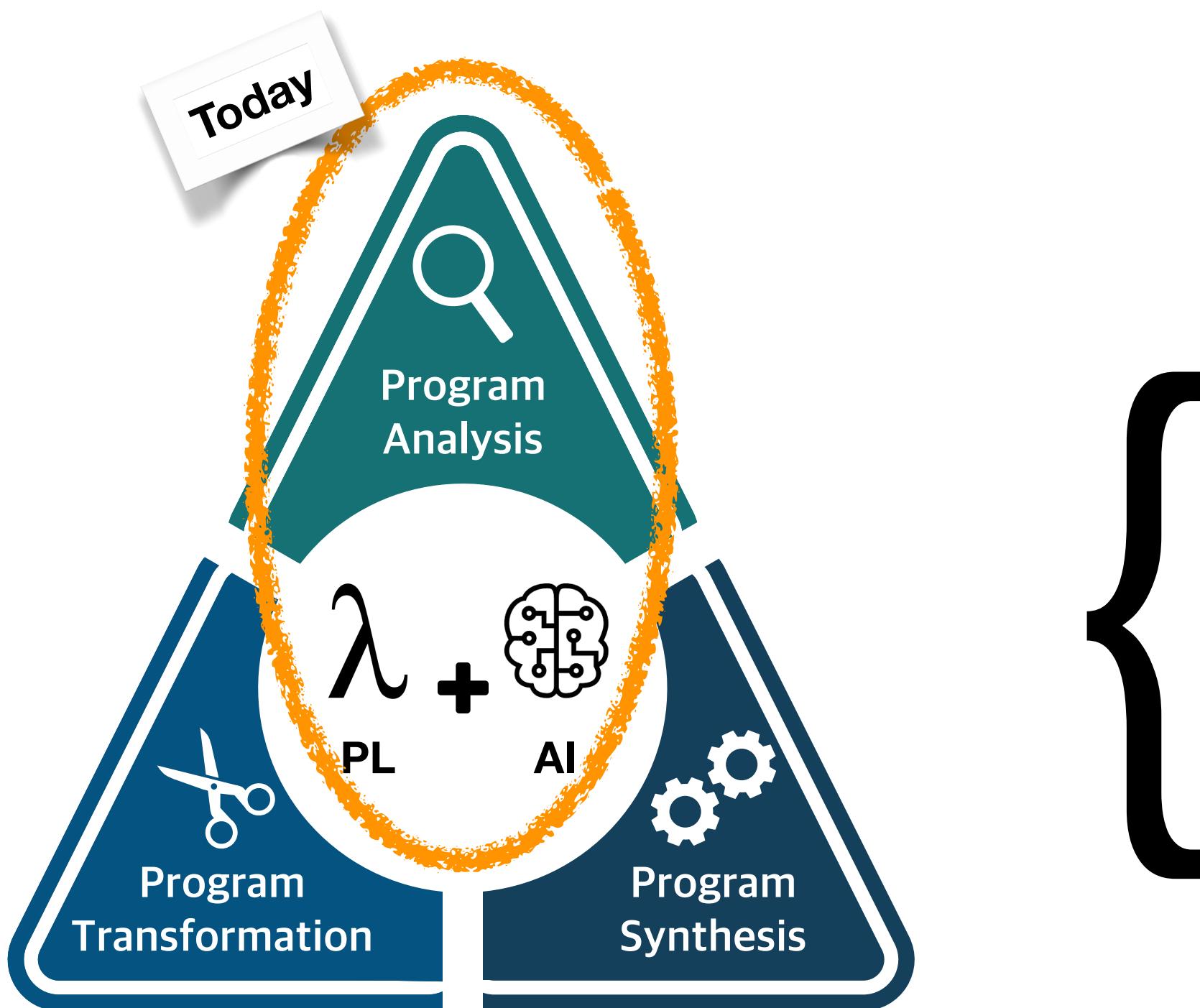
# Introduction to Program Analysis

## 17. Static Analysis with AI

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# New Waves in Language-based Security



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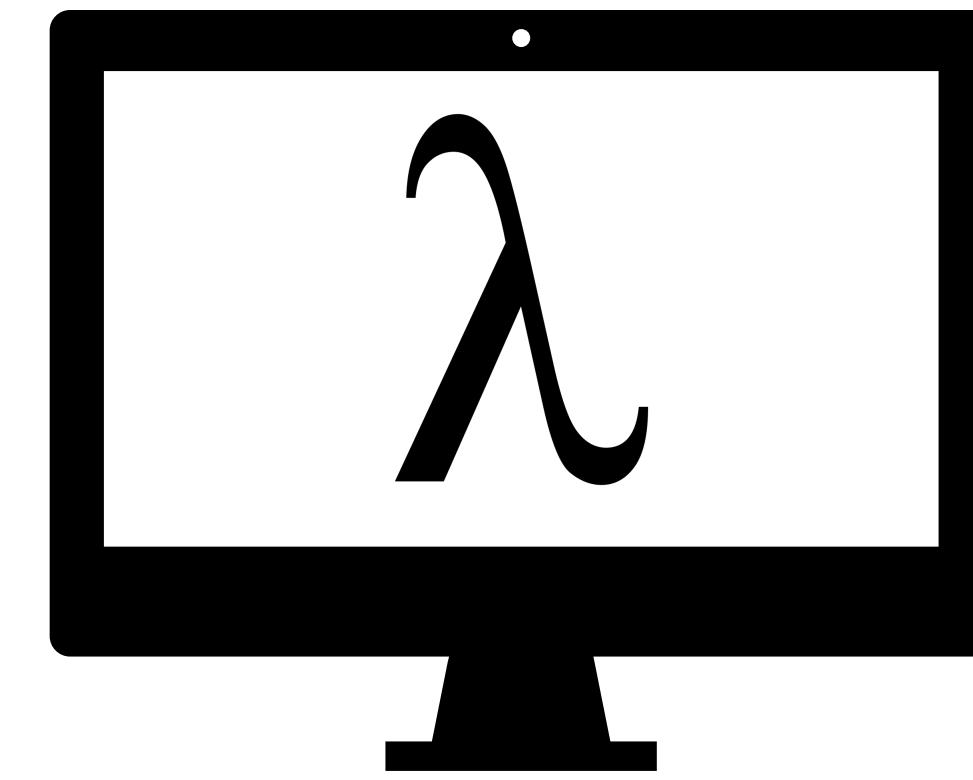
Safe



Simple

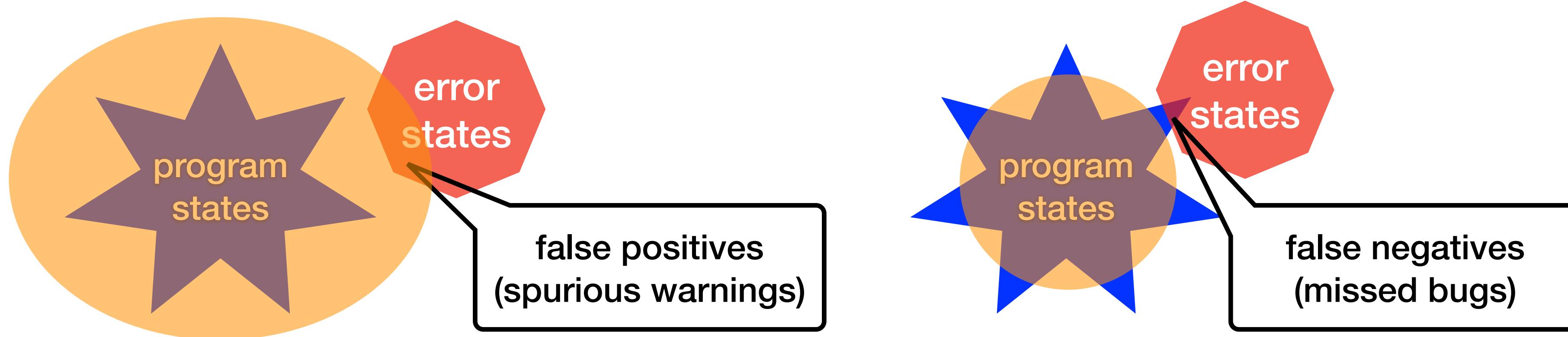


Smart



Next-generation  
Programming Systems

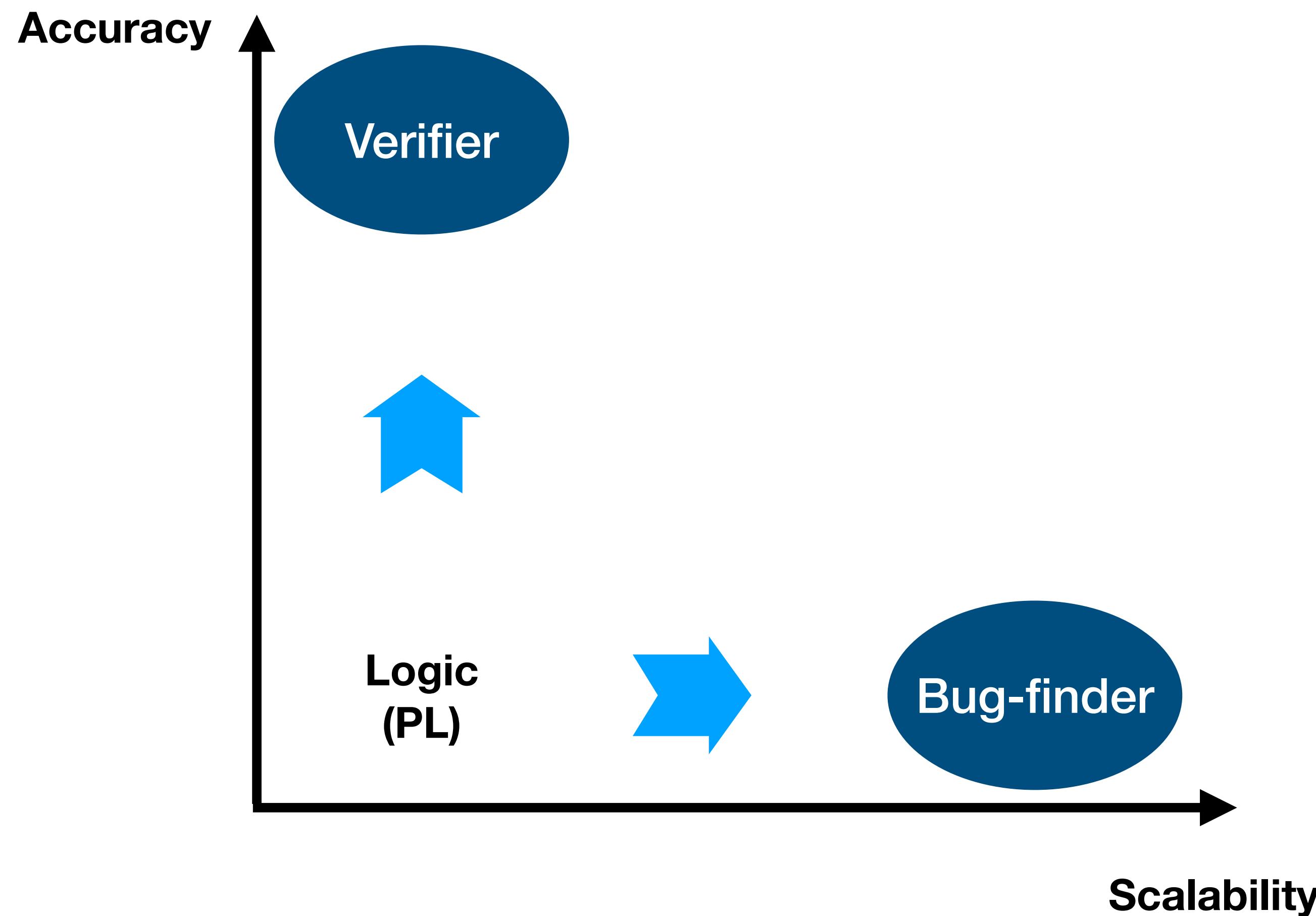
# Challenge in Static Analysis



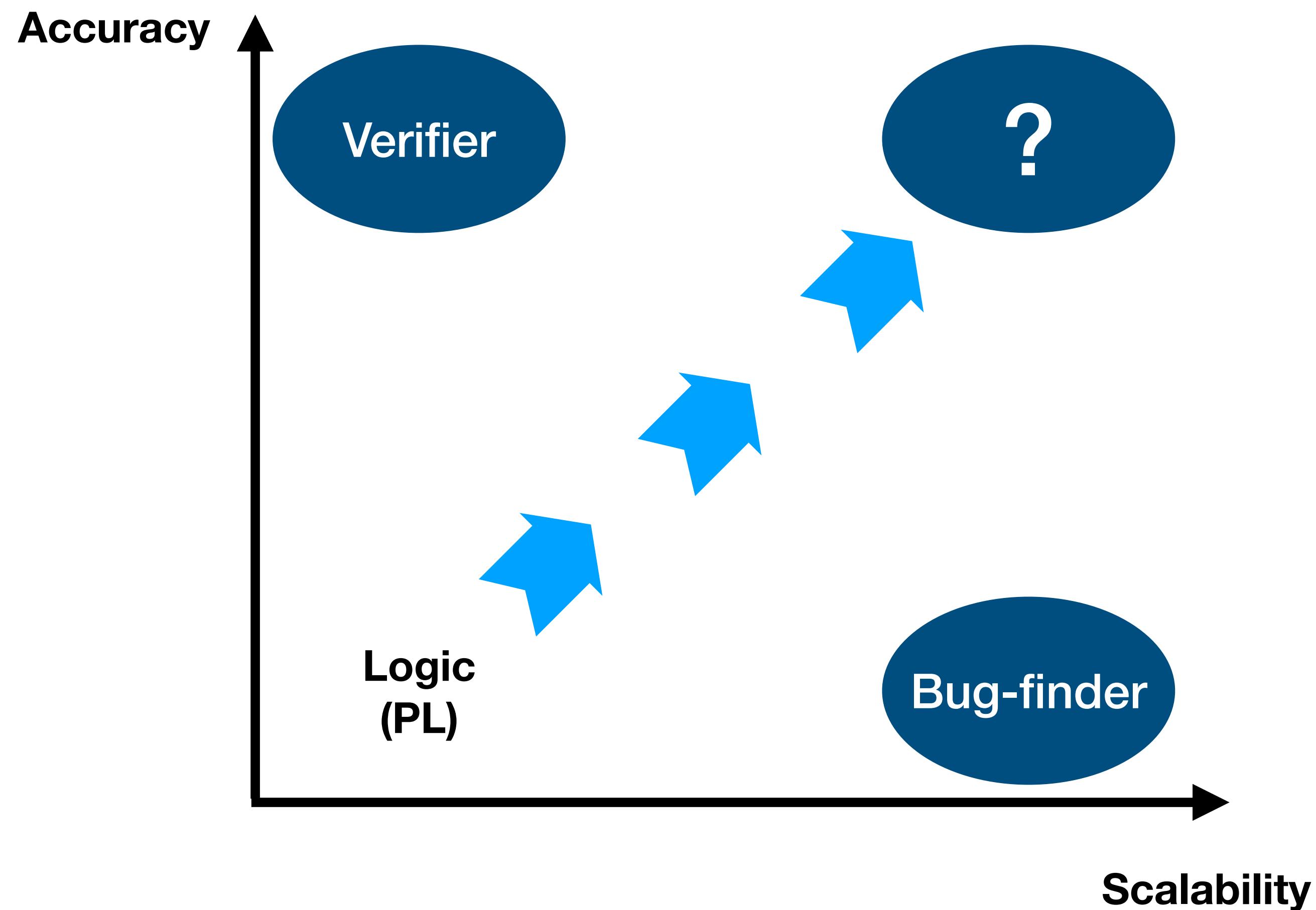
“... can be difficult to do without introducing large numbers of **false positives**, or scaling **performance** exponentially poorly. In this case, **balancing** these ... caused us to **miss the defect.**”

— *On Detecting Heartbleed with Static Analysis, (Coverity, 2014)*

# Conventional Static Analysis



# How to Go Beyond?



# Conventional Static Analysis

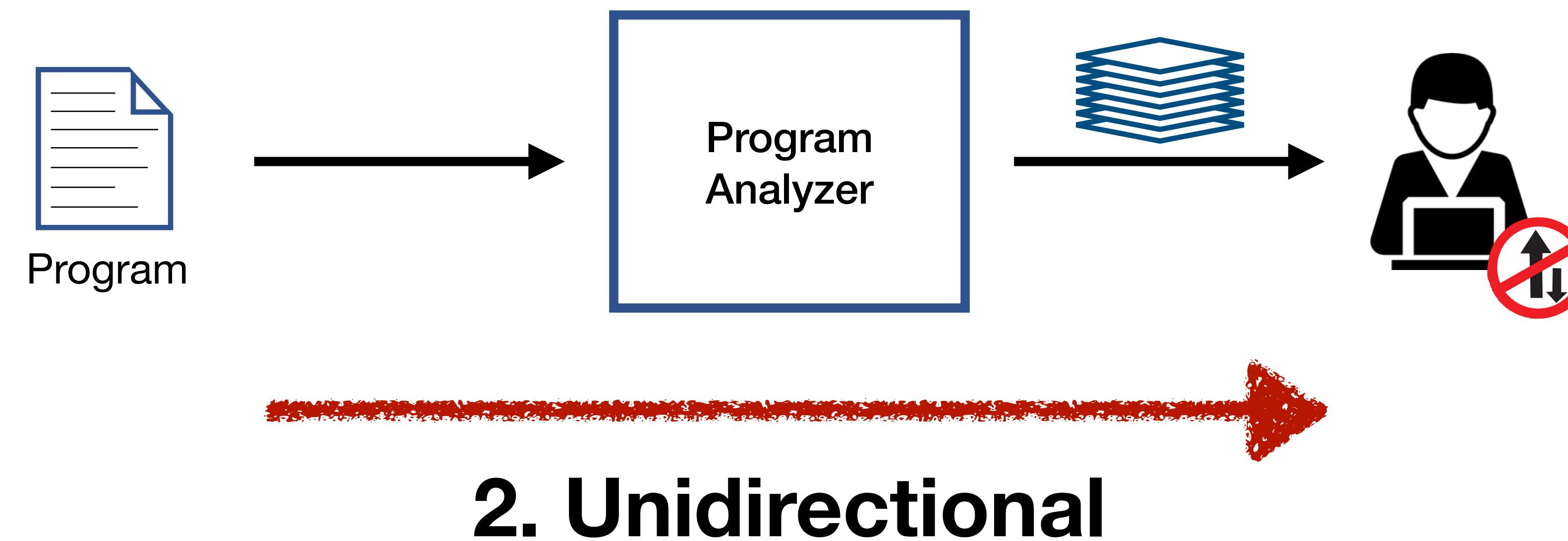


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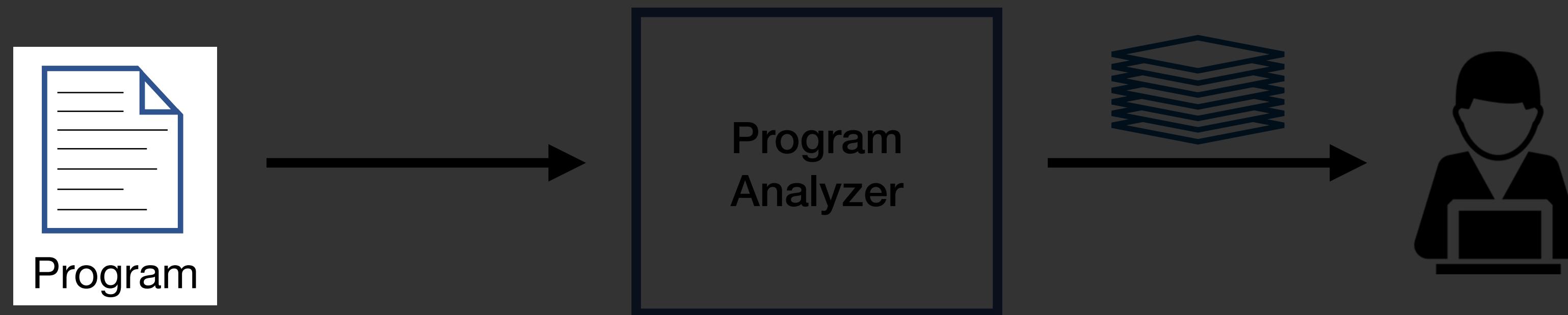


**1. Inflexible**

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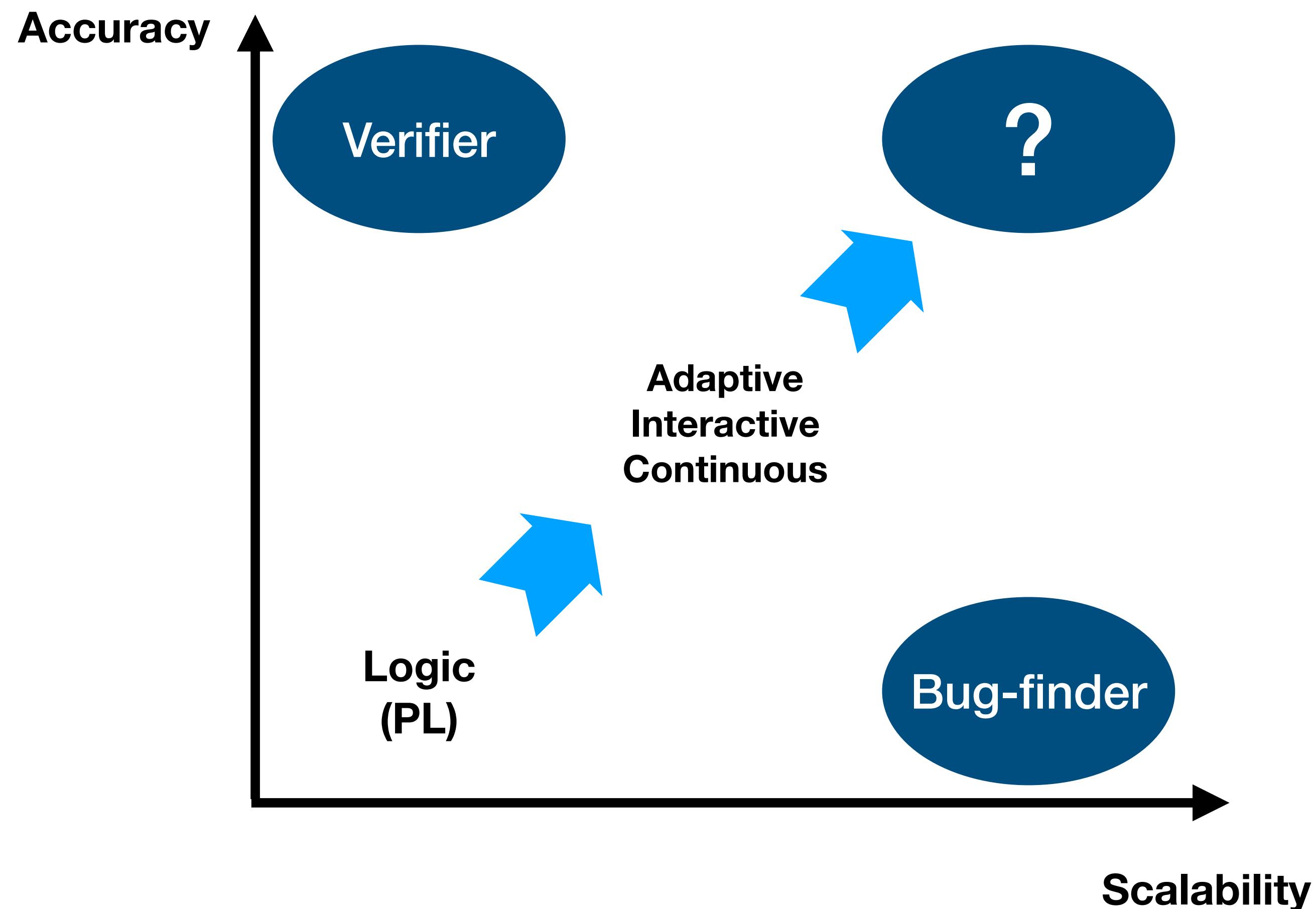


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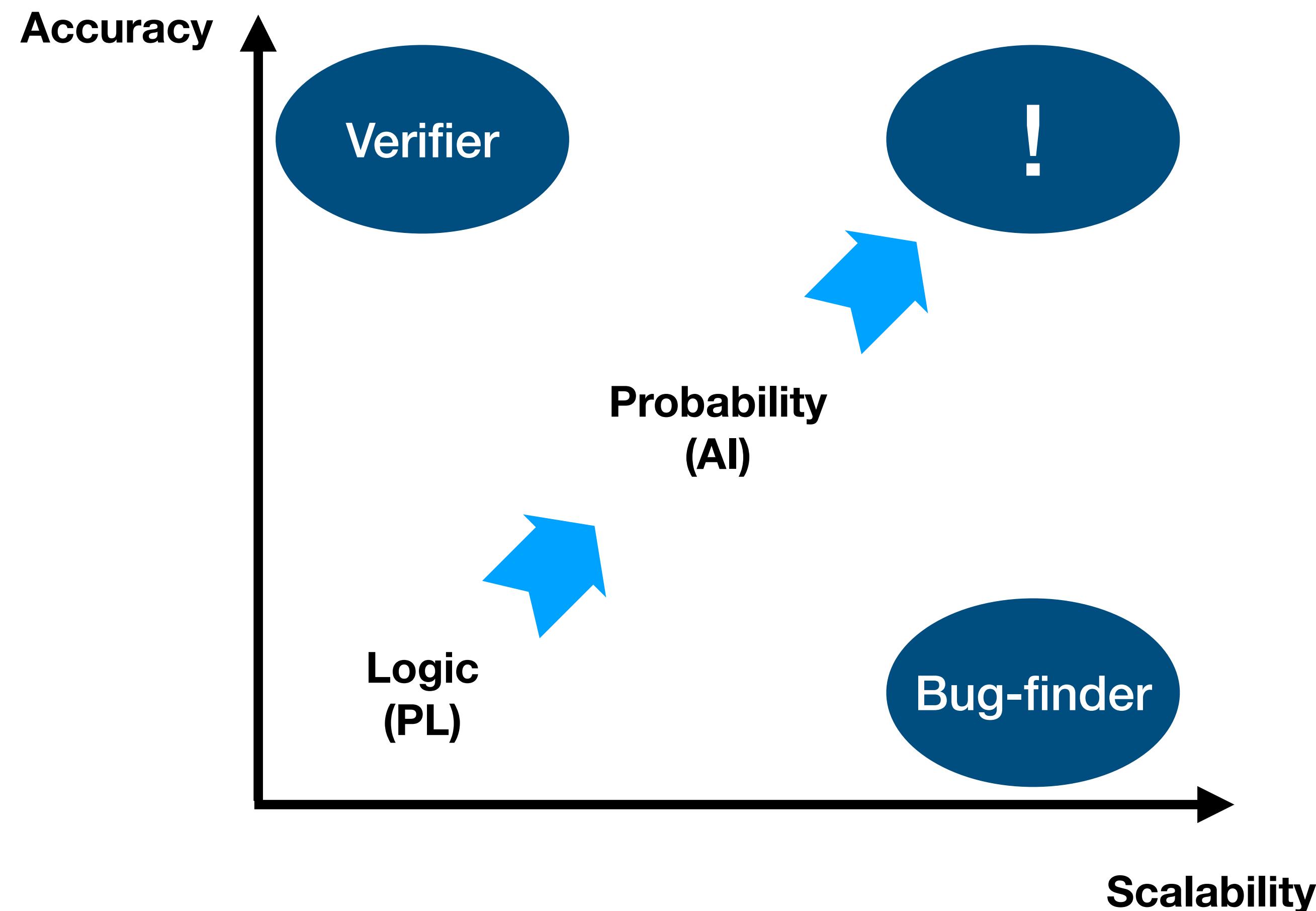


## 3. Narrow-sighted

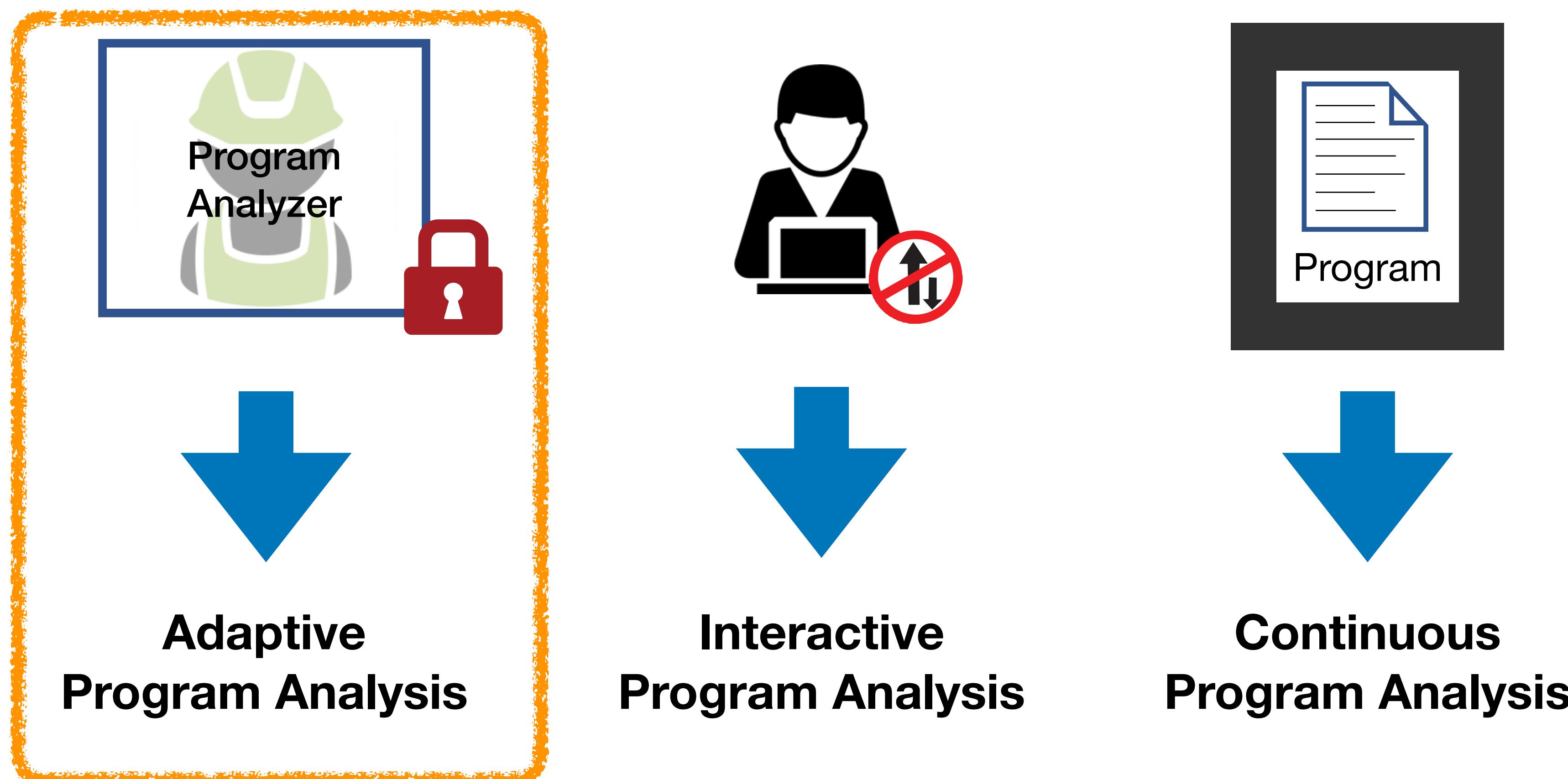
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# Static Analysis with AI

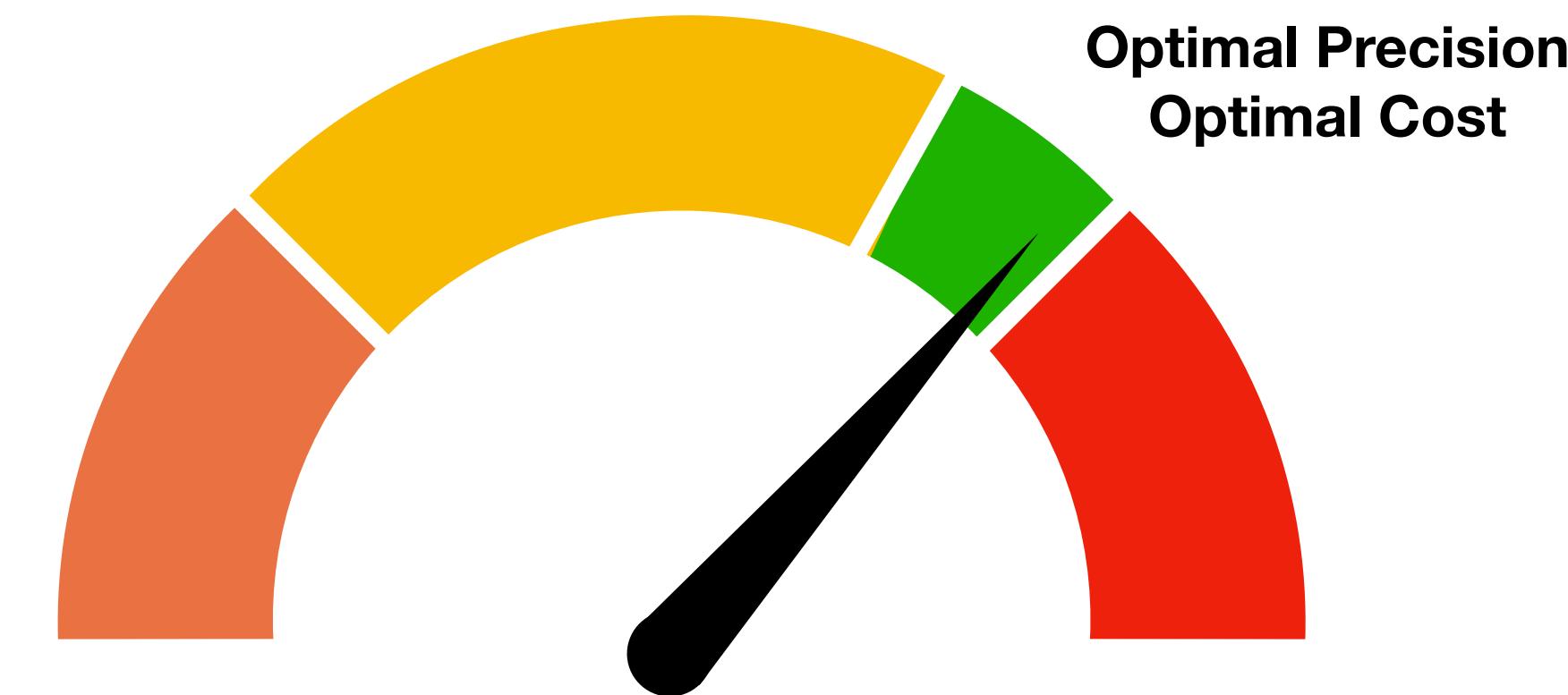


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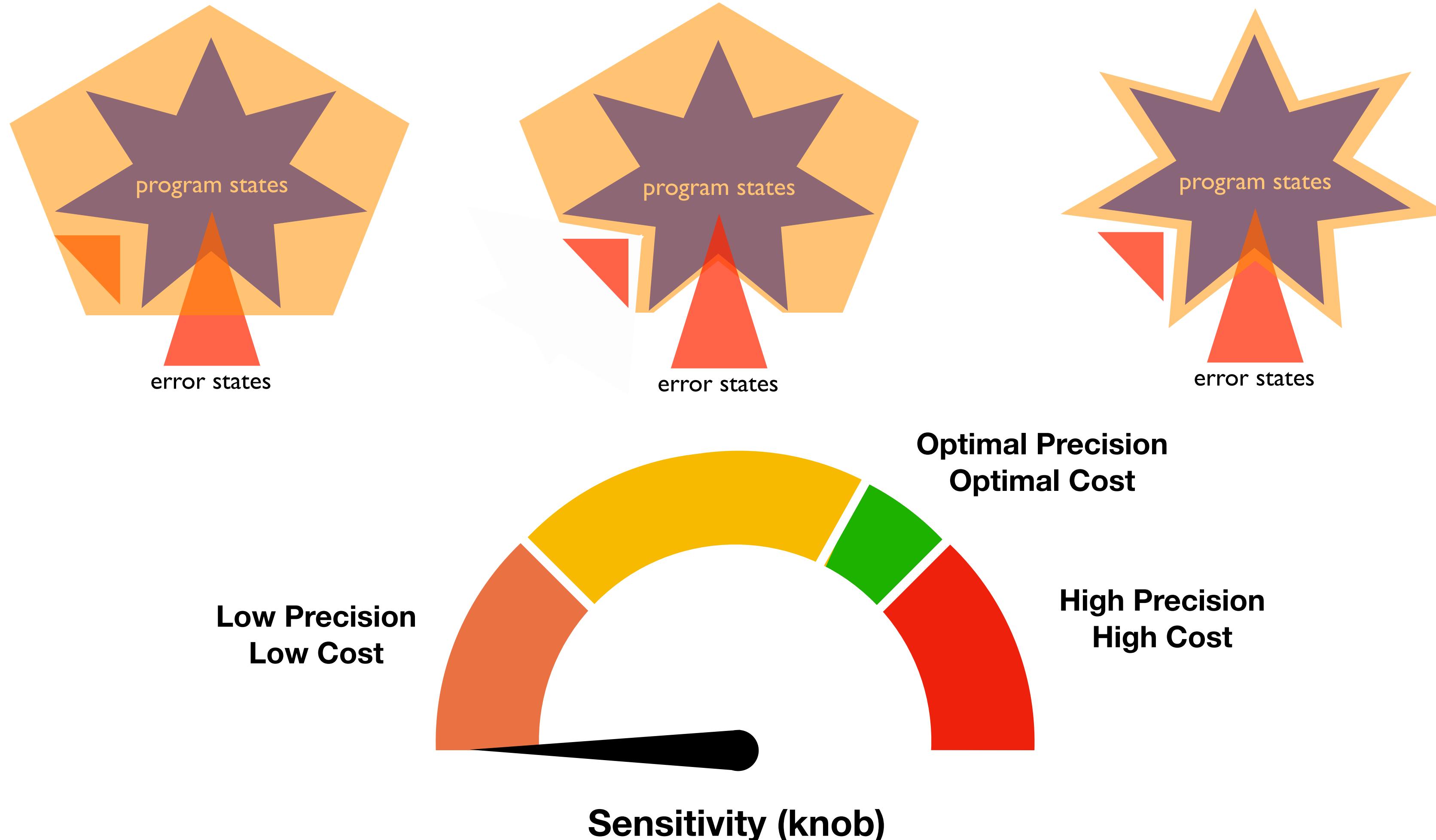


# Adaptive Program Analysis

[SAS'16, OOPSLA'17, ICSE'17, ICSE'19]



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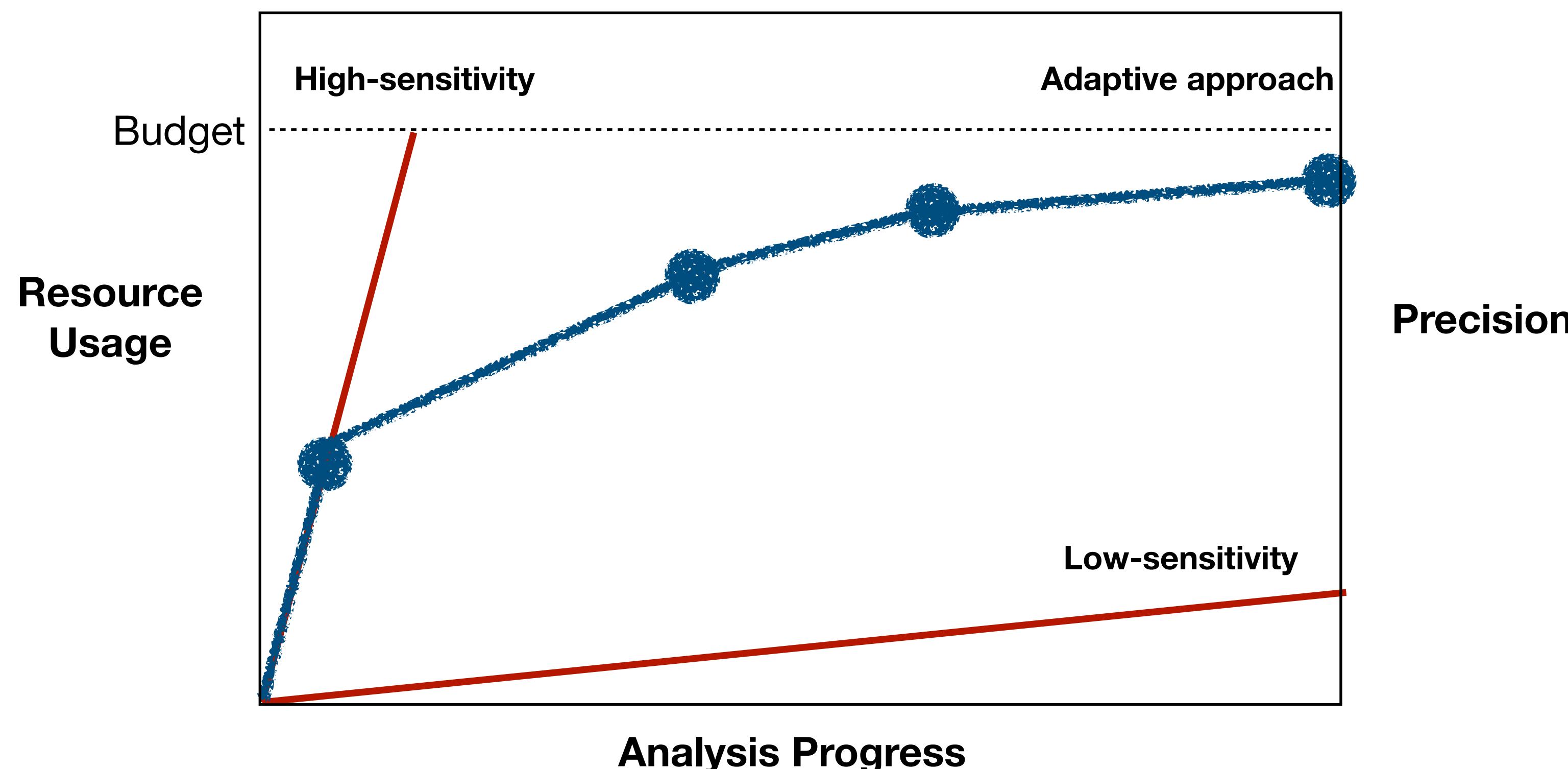


# Applications

| Abstraction<br>(Knob)                    | Cost               | Online/Offline | Method                 | Result      |
|--|--------------------|----------------|------------------------|-------------|
| Variable Relationship                    | Running Time       | Offline        | Supervised Learning    | [SAS'16]    |
| Statement Order<br>Variable Relationship | Running Time       | Offline        | Supervised Learning    | [OOPSLA'17] |
| Loop Unrolling<br>Library Call Handling  | Missed Bugs        | Offline        | Supervised Learning    | [ICSE'17]   |
| Statement Order                          | Memory Consumption | Online         | Reinforcement Learning | [ICSE'19]   |

# Resource-aware Analysis

- Achieving **maximum precision** within a given **resource budget**
  - e.g., within 128GB of memory



# Knob

- Flow-sensitivity: degree of abstraction of statement order

## Flow-sensitive

```
1: x = 0;  
2: y = 1;  
3: x = 1;  
4: y = 0;
```

## Partially Flow-sensitive

```
1: x = 0;  
3: x = 1;  
2: y = 1;  
4: y = 0;
```

## Flow-insensitive

```
1: x = 0;  
3: x = 1;  
2: y = 1;  
4: y = 0;
```

| Line | State                  |
|------|------------------------|
| 1    | {x = [0,0]}            |
| 2    | {x = [0,0], y = [1,1]} |
| 3    | {x = [1,1], y = [1,1]} |
| 4    | {x = [1,1], y = [0,0]} |

| Line | FS          | FI           |
|------|-------------|--------------|
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# Example

- Partially flow-sensitive interval analysis (budget: 10 intervals)

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**3 Intervals**

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6 Intervals

# Example

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| 3    | {x = [1,1], y = [0,0], z = [2,2], v = $\top$ , w = $\top$ }                          |
| 4    | <b>x = [1,1], y = [1,1], z = [2,2], v = <math>\top</math>, w = <math>\top</math></b> |

12 Intervals

# Example

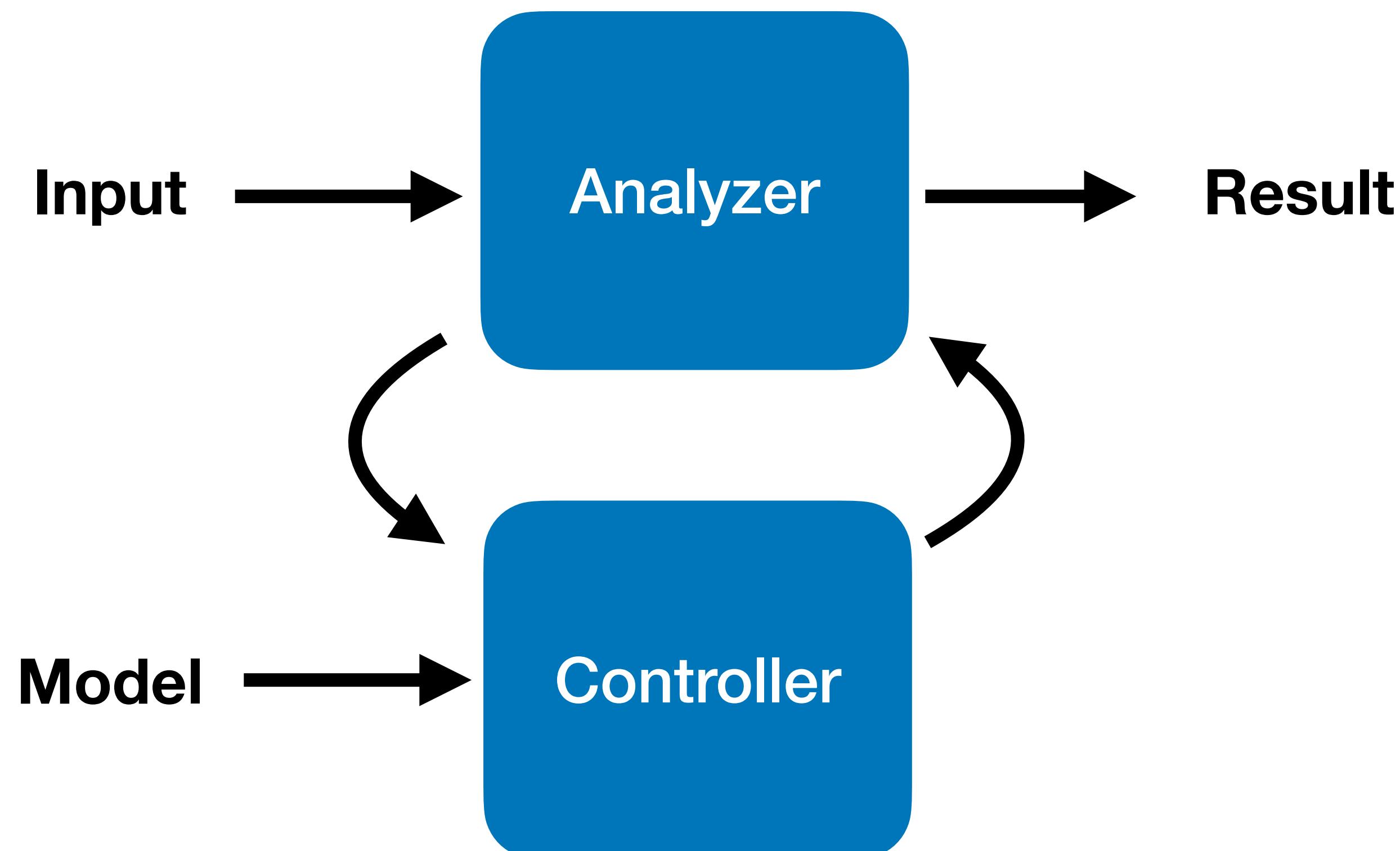
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**3 Intervals**

# Adaptive Analysis



# Model

- Model  $M : \text{Variable} \rightarrow [0, 1]$
- Importance of each variable in terms of flow-sensitivity
- Learned using Bayesian Optimization
  - represent variables as feature vectors and learn weights of features

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$$M(x) > M(y) > M(z) > M(v) > M(w)$$

# Controller

- Controller  $\pi : F \rightarrow \text{Pr}(A)$  where  $A = \{0, \dots, 100\}$
- Input: a feature vector describing current status
  - e.g., memory usage, analysis progress, etc
- Output: prob. distribution on % of vars that should be treated flow-insensitively
- Learned using reinforcement learning

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**9 Intervals**

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| 6 Intervals |                         |                               |

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**8 Intervals**

# Practical Impact

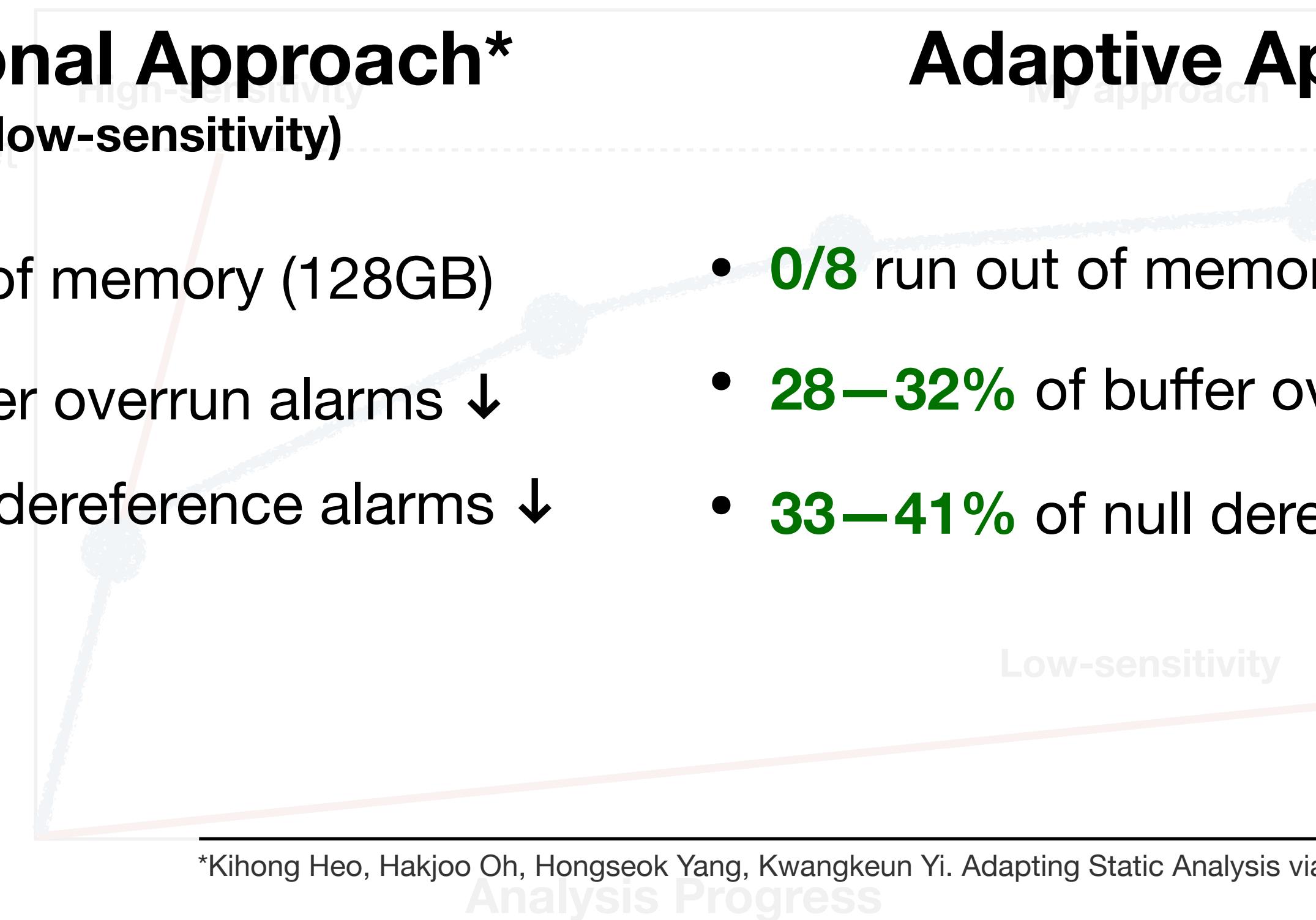
- Achieving **maximum precision** within a given **resource budget**
  - e.g., within 128GB of memory

## Conventional Approach\* (10% flow-sensitivity)

- **3/8** run out of memory (128GB)
- **27%** of buffer overrun alarms ↓
- **30%** of null dereference alarms ↓

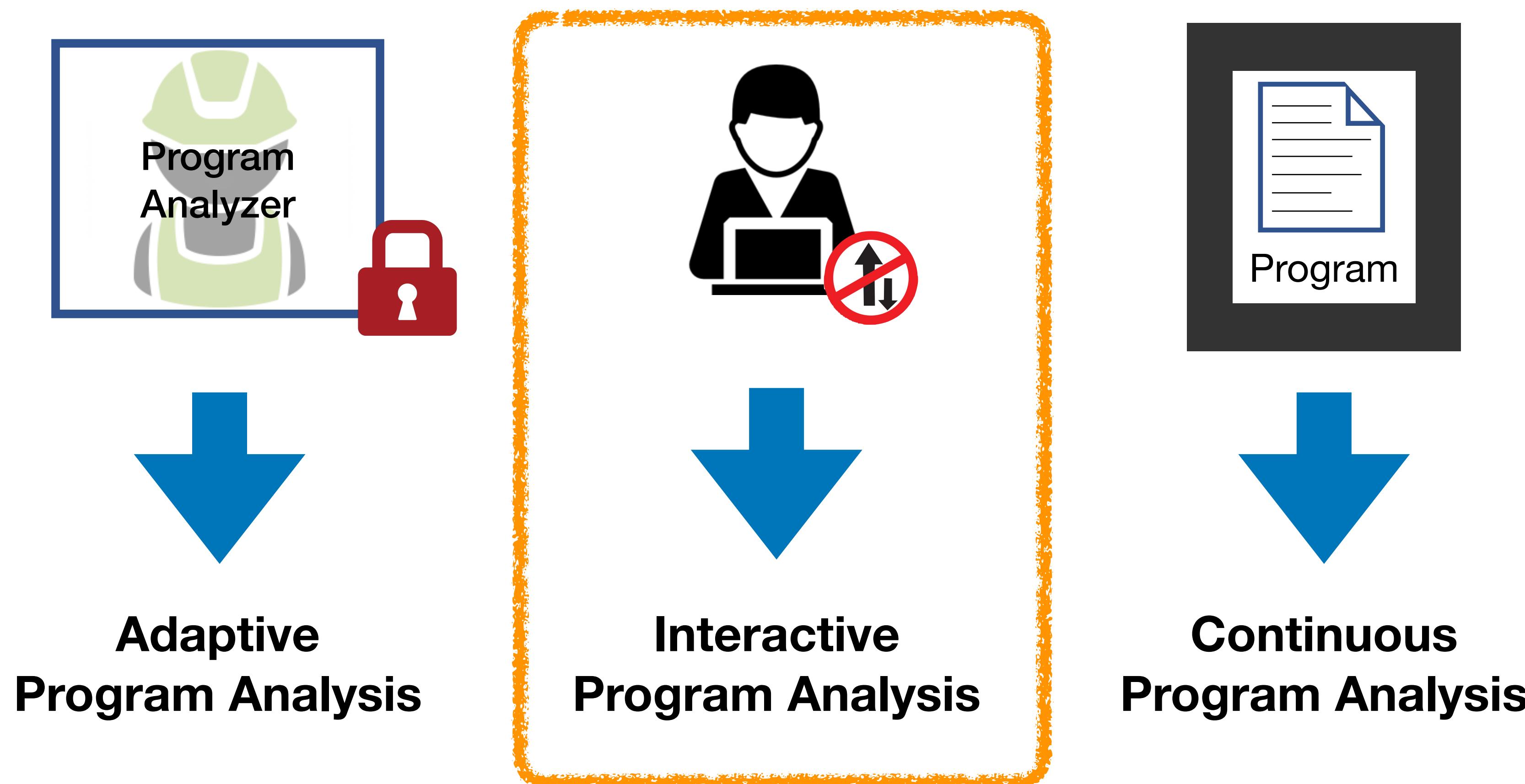
## Adaptive Approach

- **0/8** run out of memory (64 / 128GB)
- **28–32%** of buffer overrun alarms ↓
- **33–41%** of null dereference alarms ↓



\*Kihong Heo, Hakjoo Oh, Hongseok Yang, Kwangkeun Yi. Adapting Static Analysis via Learning with Bayesian Optimization. ACM TOPLAS, 2018

# Outline



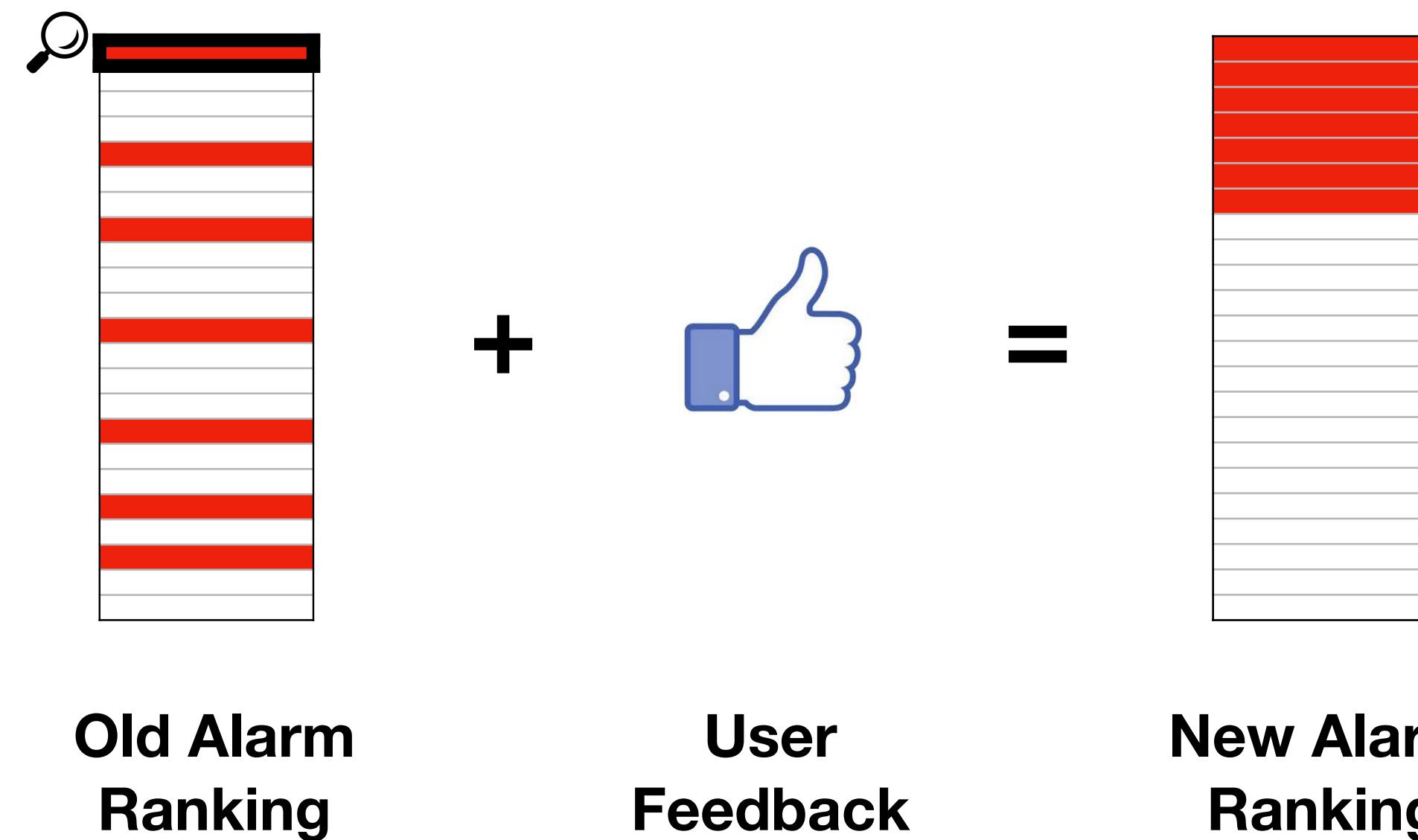
**Adaptive  
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**Interactive  
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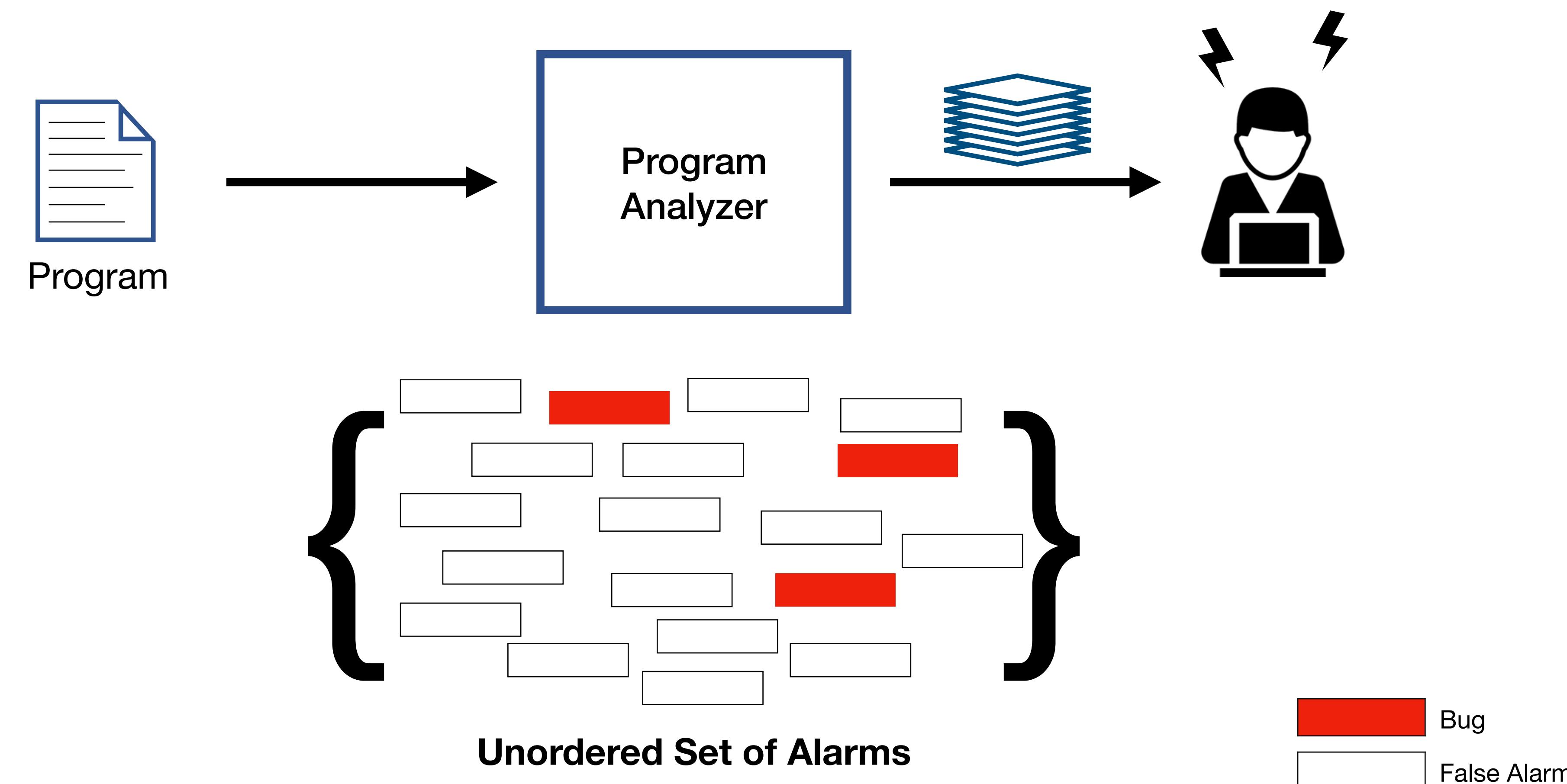
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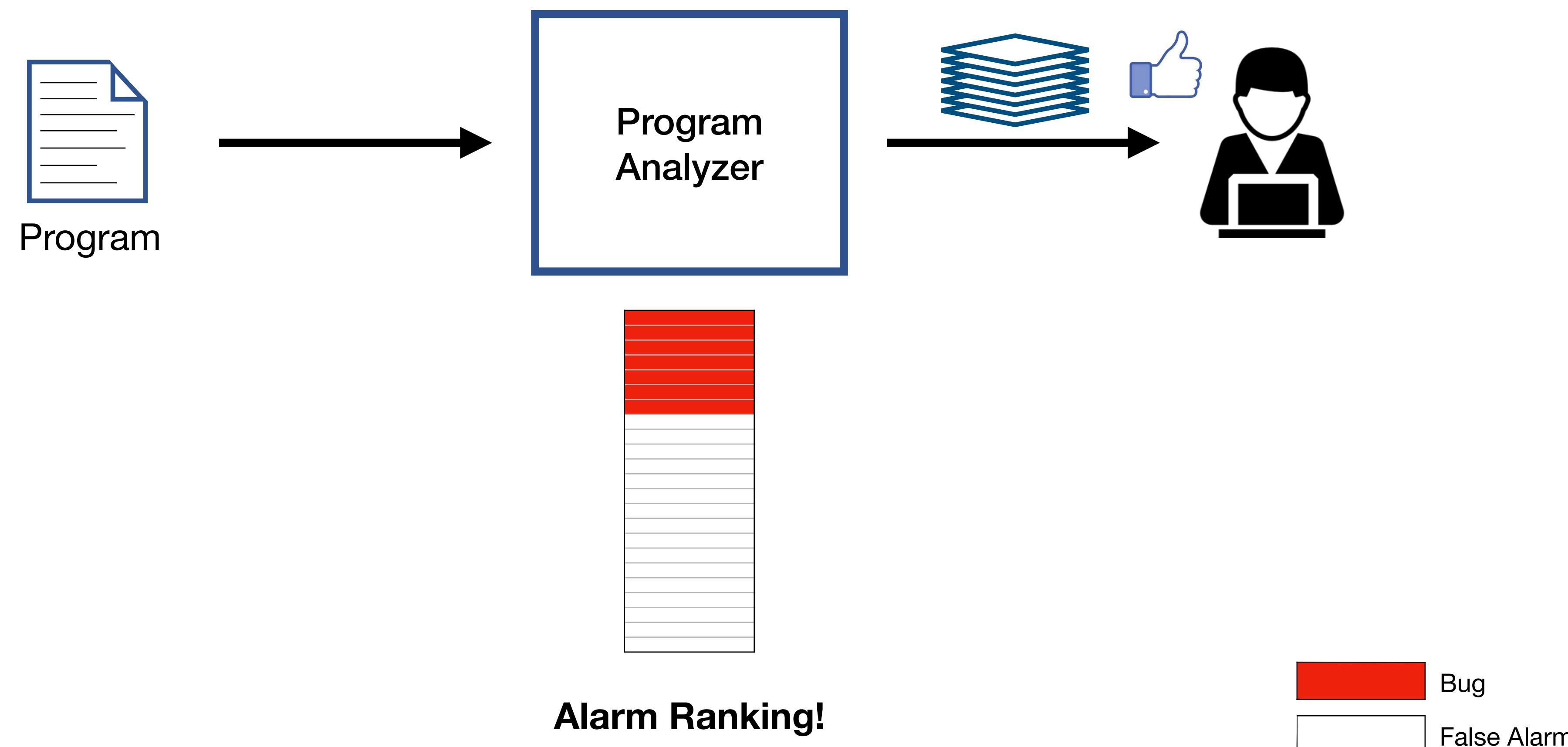
## Bingo: Interactive Alarm Ranking System [PLDI'18]



# Alarm Report

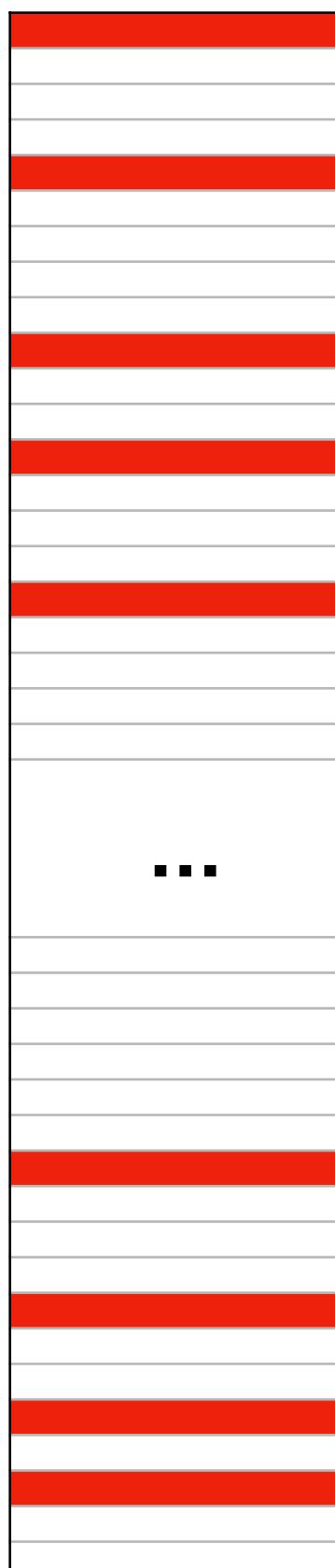


# Goal



# Interactive Alarm Ranker

Rank 1



Rank 522



**152KLOC**  
**75 Datarace Bugs**  
**522 Total Alarms**

Bug  
 False Alarm

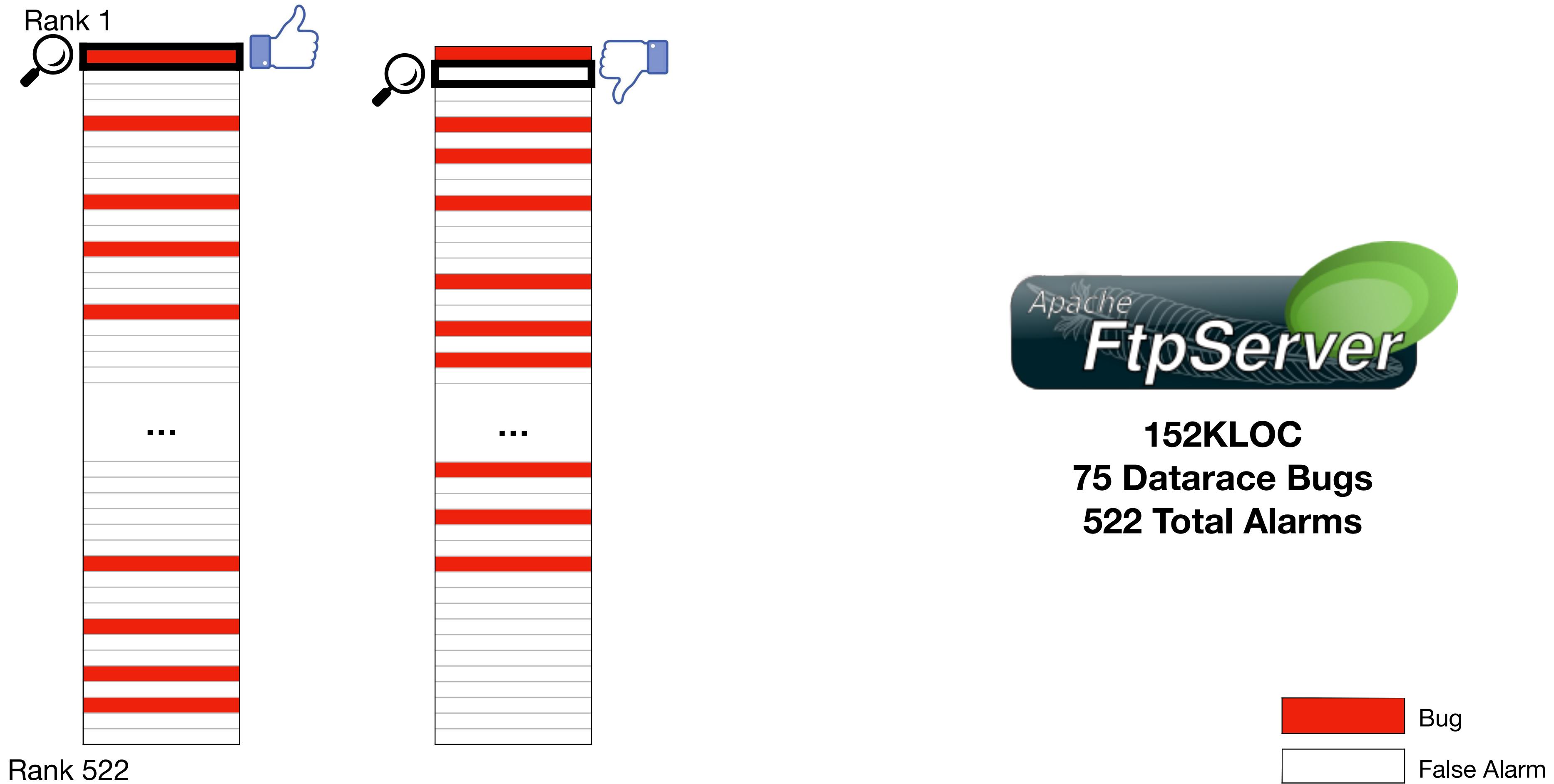
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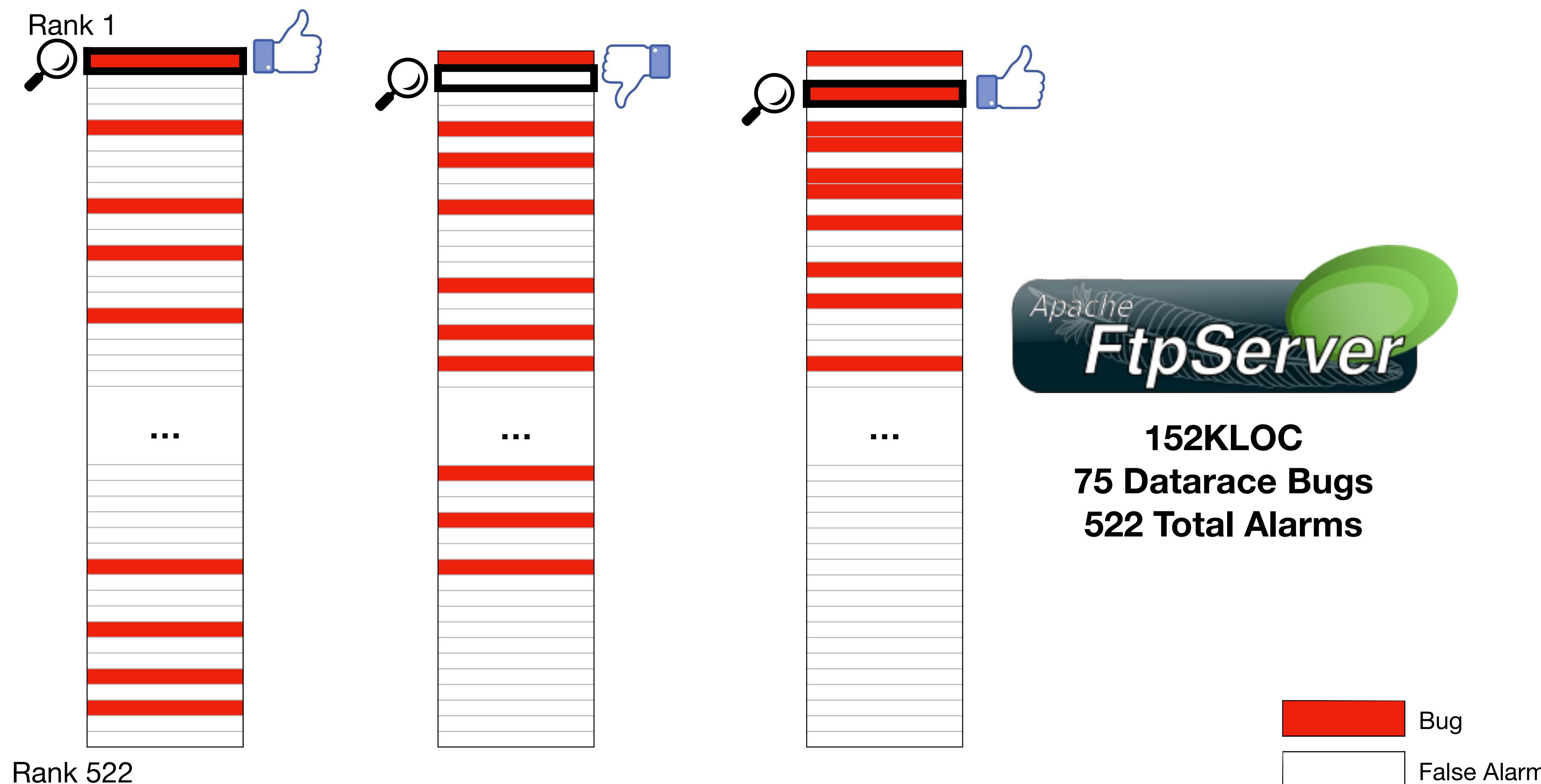
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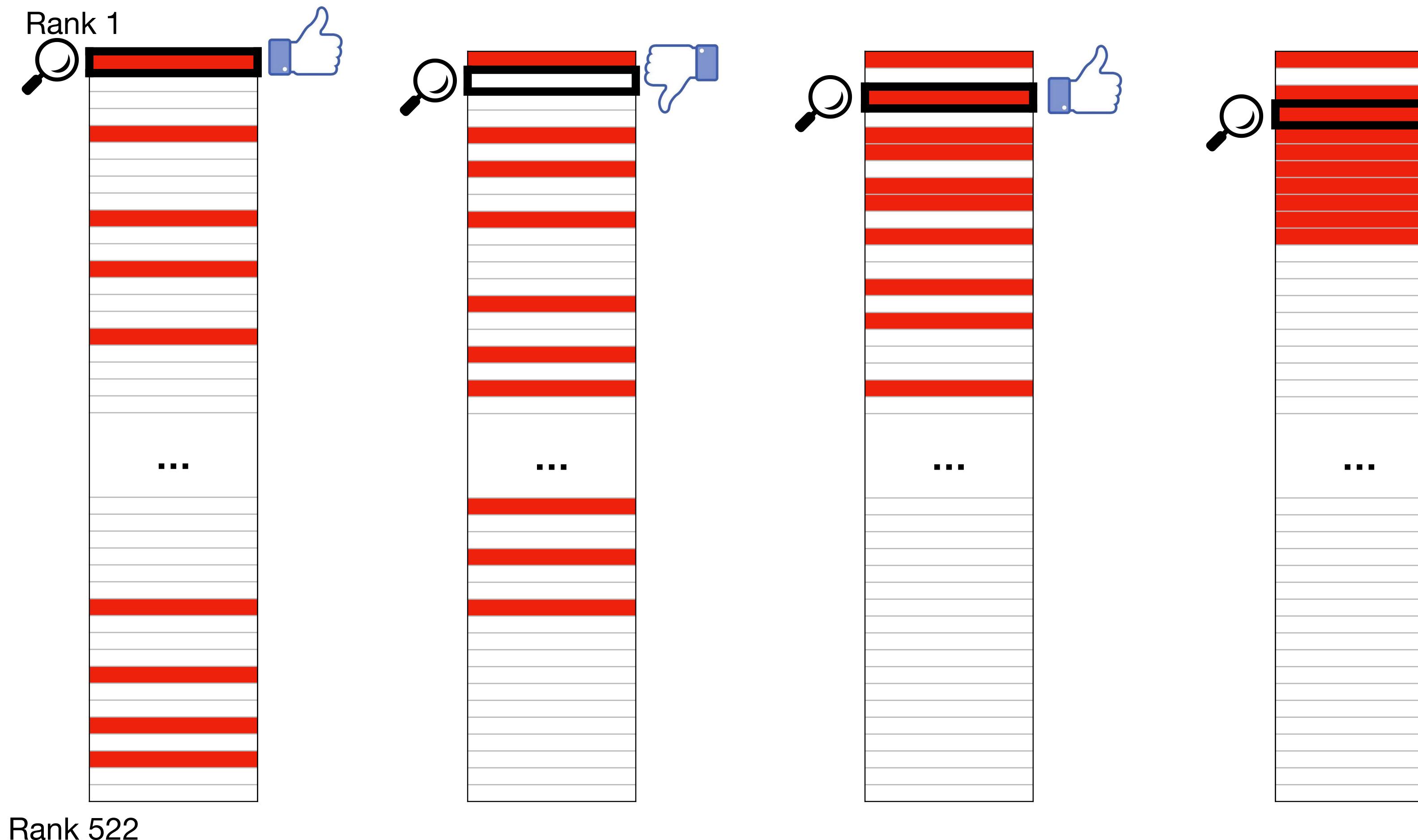
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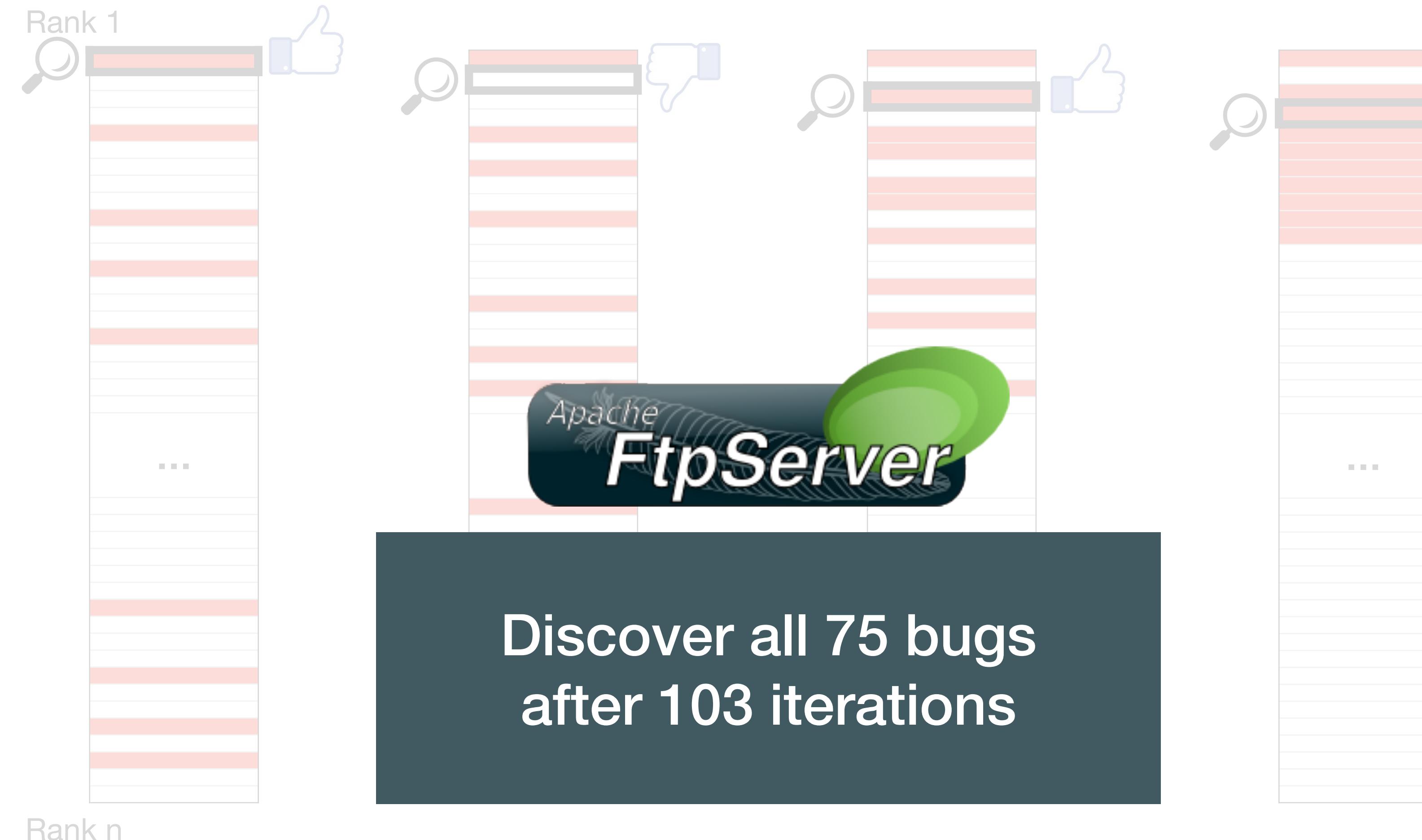
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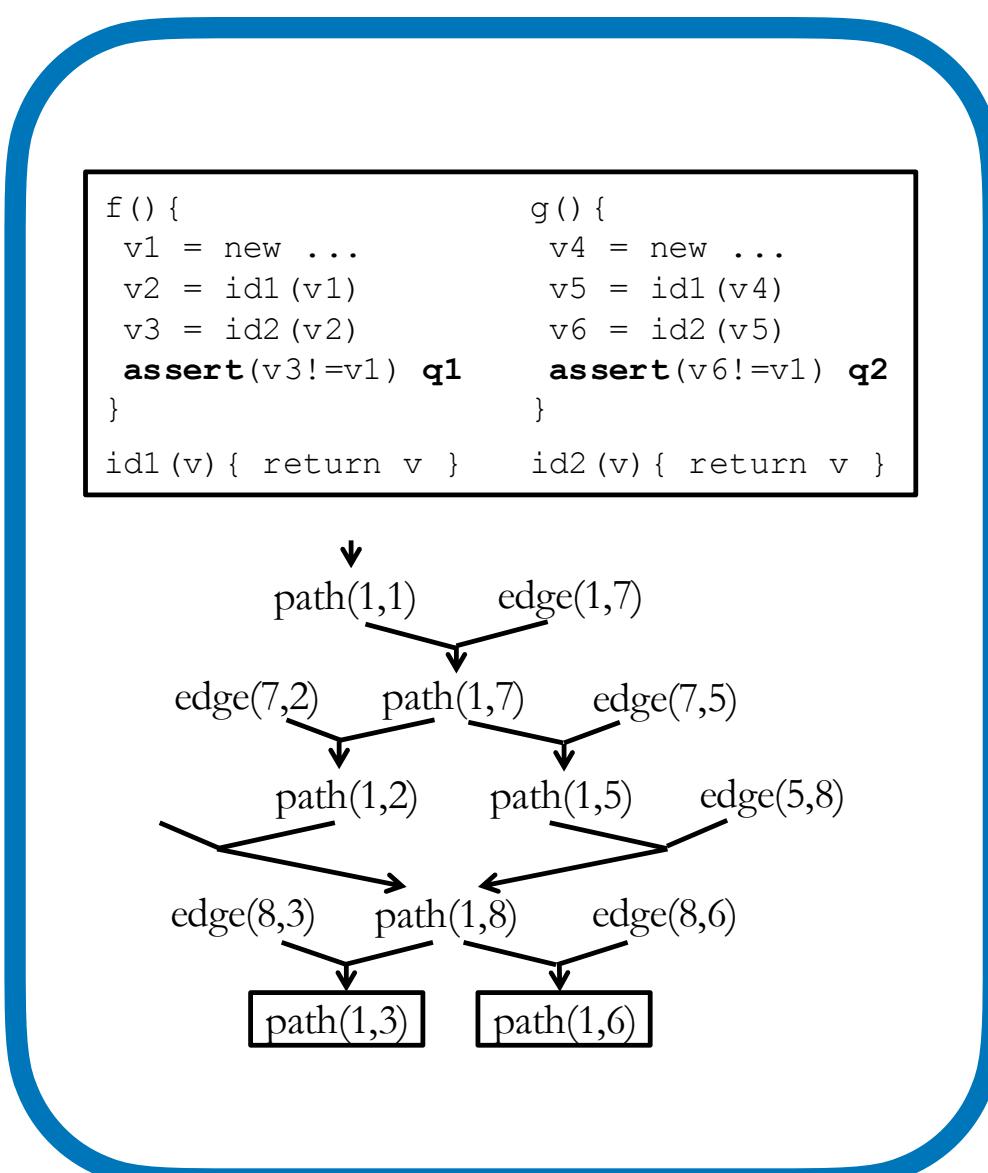


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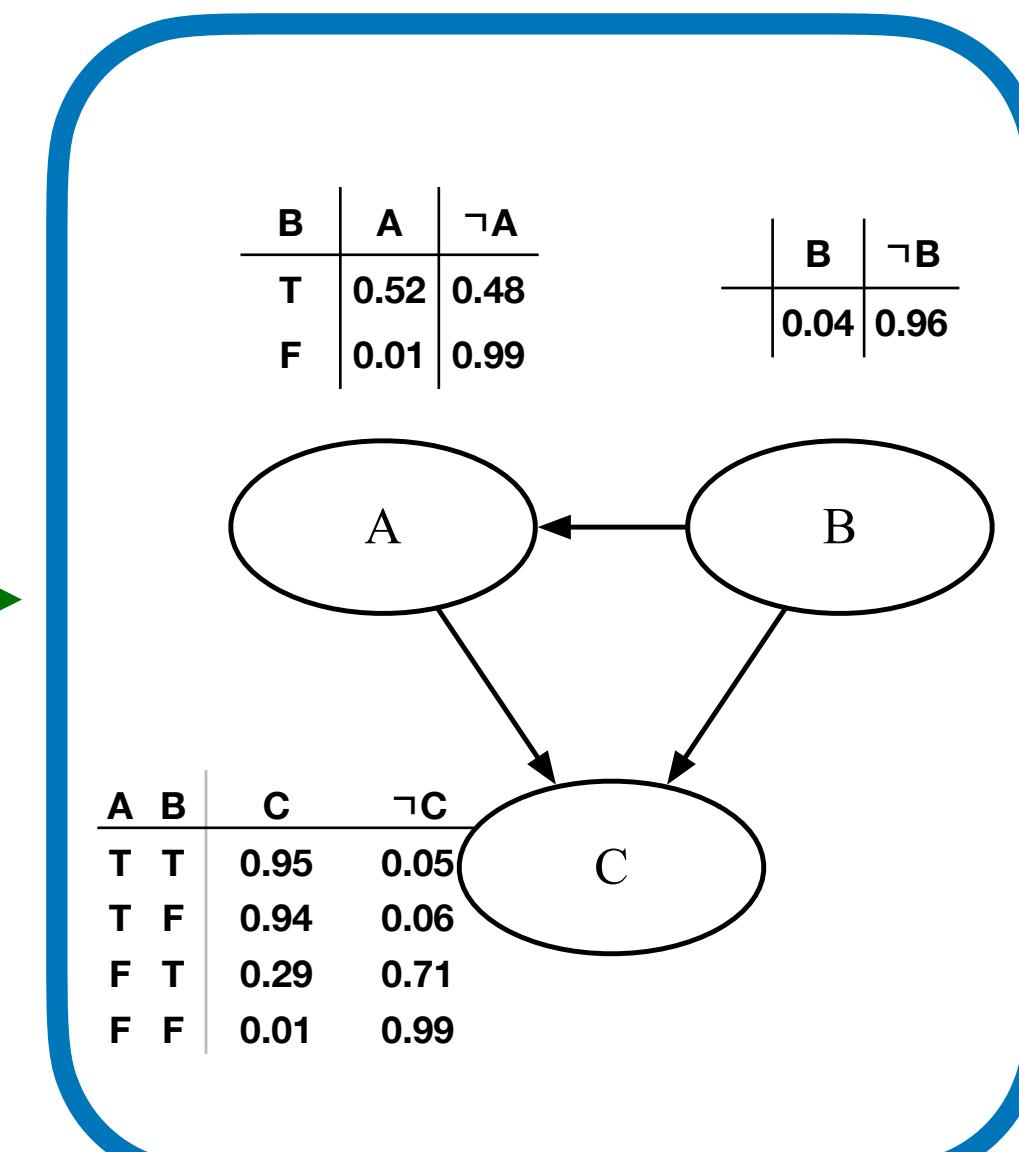
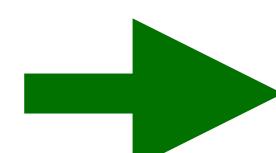


# Key Idea

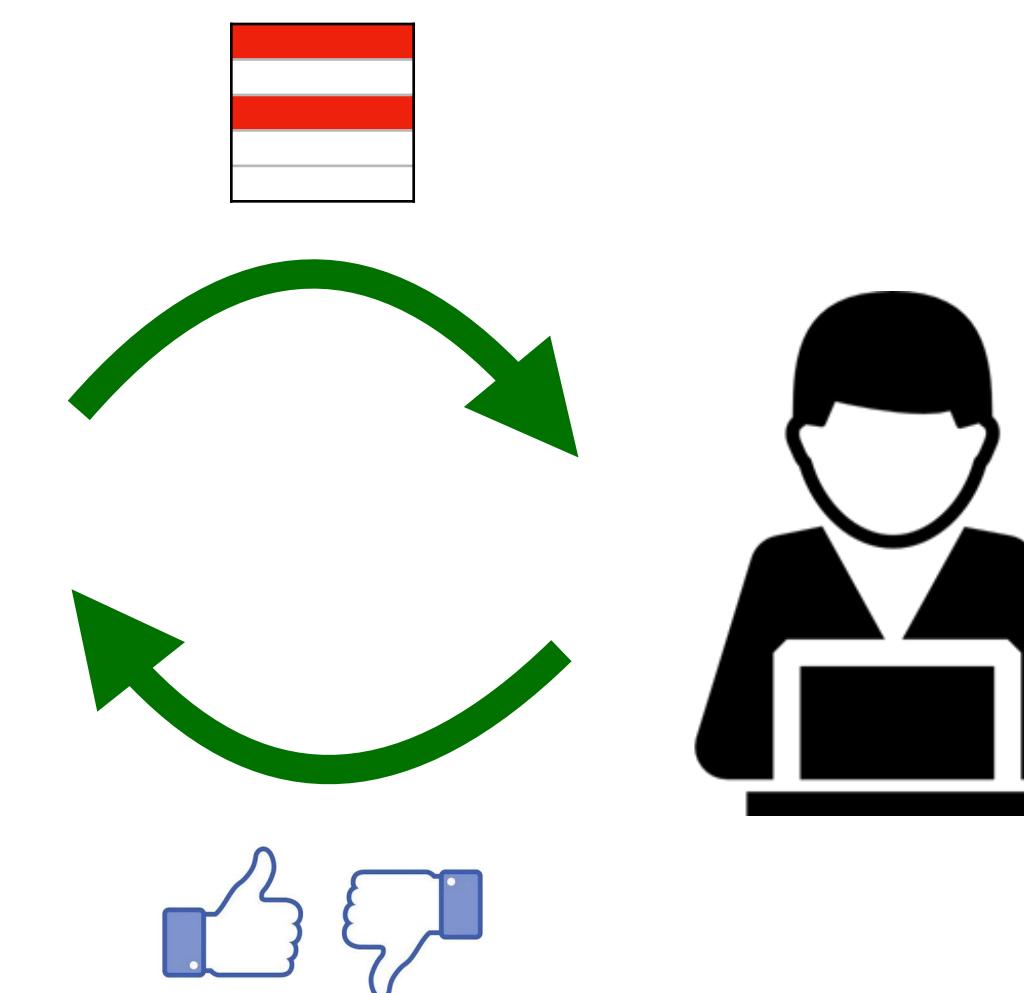
## Human in the loop + Bayesian inference



Program Analysis Result



Probabilistic Model  
(e.g., Bayesian Network)



User

# Datarace Analysis

**Analysis Inputs:**

$\text{Next}(p_1, p_2)$ ,  $\text{Alias}(p_1, p_2)$ ,  $\text{Unguarded}(p_1, p_2)$ .

**Analysis Outputs:**

$\text{Parallel}(p_1, p_2)$ ,  $\text{Race}(p_1, p_2)$

**Analysis Rules:**

**r<sub>1</sub>:**  $\text{Parallel}(p_1, p_3) :- \text{Parallel}(p_1, p_2), \text{Next}(p_2, p_3), \text{Unguarded}(p_1, p_3)$ .

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# Datarace Analysis

$p_i$  is a program point

## Analysis Inputs:

$\text{Next}(p_1, p_2)$ ,  $\text{Alias}(p_1, p_2)$ ,  $\text{Unguarded}(p_1, p_2)$ .

Program point  $p_2$  is  
an immediate successor of  $p_1$

$p_1$  and  $p_2$  may access  
the same memory location

$p_1$  and  $p_2$  are not guarded by  
the same lock

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Program point  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  can be  
executed in parallel

$\text{r}_1: \text{Parallel}(p_1, p_2) :- \text{Next}(p_1, p_2), \text{Next}(p_2, p_1), \text{Unguarded}(p_1, p_2), \text{Unguarded}(p_2, p_1).$

Race condition  
between  $p_1$  and  $p_2$

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Thread 1

```
x = y + 1; // L1
...
...
```

Thread 2

```
z = y + 1; // L2
x = z + 1; // L3
...
...
```

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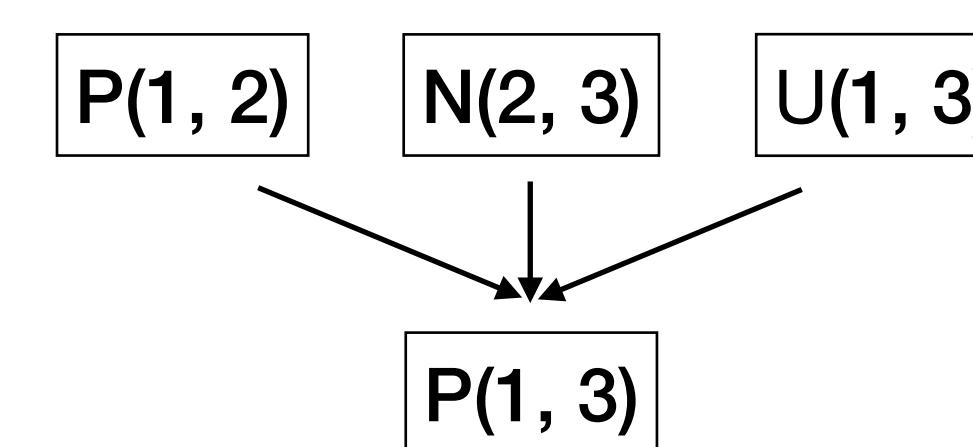
Thread 1

```
x = y + ...  
...  
x = y + 1; // L1  
...
```

Thread 2

```
z = y + ...  
...  
z = y + 1; // L2  
x = z + 1; // L3  
...
```

Derivation



# Datarace Analysis

**Analysis Inputs:**

$\text{Next}(p_1, p_2)$ ,  $\text{Alias}(p_1, p_2)$ ,  $\text{Unguarded}(p_1, p_2)$ .

**Analysis Outputs:**

$\text{Parallel}(p_1, p_2)$ ,  $\text{Race}(p_1, p_2)$

**Analysis Rules:**

$r_1: \text{Parallel}(p_1, p_3) :- \text{Parallel}(p_1, p_2), \text{Next}(p_2, p_3), \text{Unguarded}(p_1, p_3).$

$r_2: \text{Parallel}(p_1, p_2) :- \text{Parallel}(p_2, p_1).$

$r_3: \text{Race}(p_1, p_2) :- \text{Parallel}(p_1, p_2), \text{Alias}(p_1, p_2).$

**Thread 1**

```
x = y + 1; // L1  
...
```

**Thread 2**

```
z = y + 1; // L2  
x = z + 1; // L3  
...
```

**Derivation**

P(1, 2)



P(2, 1)

# Datarace Analysis

## Analysis Inputs:

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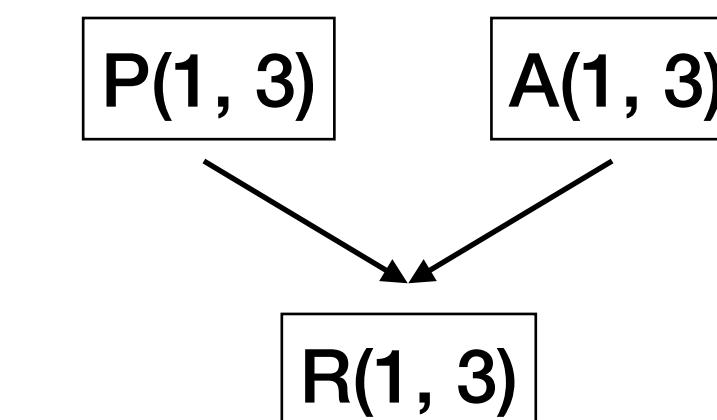
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x = y + 1; // L1
...
...
```

Thread 2

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z = y + 1; // L2
x = z + 1; // L3
...
...
```

Derivation



# Example

```
public class RequestHandler {  
    private FtpRequest request;  
  
    public FtpRequest getRequest() {  
        return request; //L0  
    }  
  
    public void close() {  
        synchronized (this) { //L1  
            if (isClosed) return; //L2  
            isClosed = true; //L3  
        }  
        controlSocket.close(); //L4  
        controlSocket = null; //L5  
        request.clear(); //L6  
        request = null; //L7  
    }  
}
```

## Analysis Rules:

- r<sub>1</sub>: P( $p_1, p_3$ ) :- P( $p_1, p_2$ ), N( $p_2, p_3$ ), U( $p_1, p_3$ ).
- r<sub>2</sub>: P( $p_1, p_2$ ) :- P( $p_2, p_1$ ).
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\*Apache FTP Server

# Example

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}
```

## Analysis Rules:

- r<sub>1</sub>: P(p<sub>1</sub>, p<sub>3</sub>) :- P(p<sub>1</sub>, p<sub>2</sub>), N(p<sub>2</sub>, p<sub>3</sub>), U(p<sub>1</sub>, p<sub>3</sub>).
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Datarace

\*Apache FTP Server

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False alarm

False alarm

\*Apache FTP Server

# Applying the Analysis

## Program

```
controlSocket.close(); //L4
controlSocket = null; //L5
request.clear(); //L6
request = null; //L7
```

## Analysis Rules

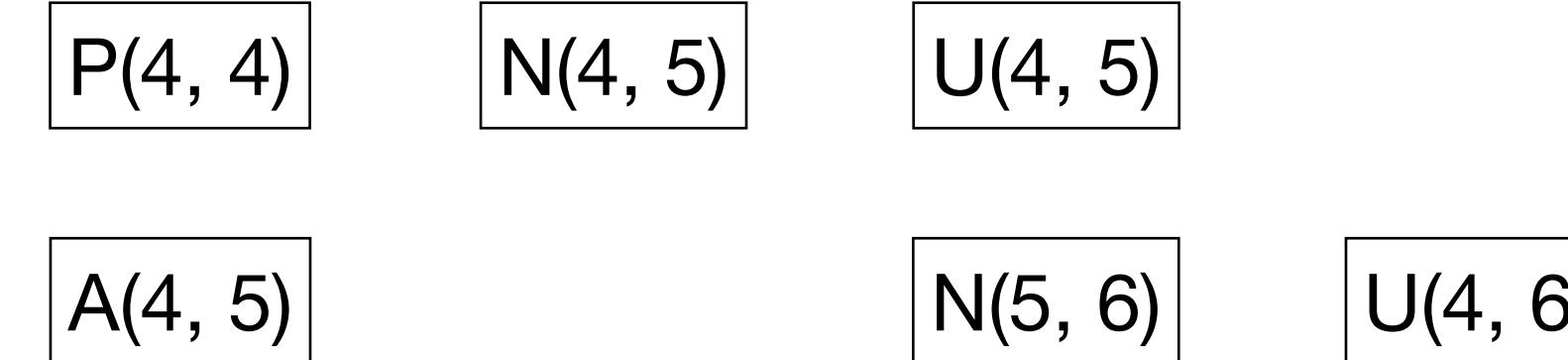
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# Applying the Analysis

## Program

```
controlSocket.close(); //L4
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```

## Derivation Graph



## Analysis Rules

- r<sub>1</sub>:**  $P(p_1, p_3) :- P(p_1, p_2), N(p_2, p_3), U(p_1, p_3).$
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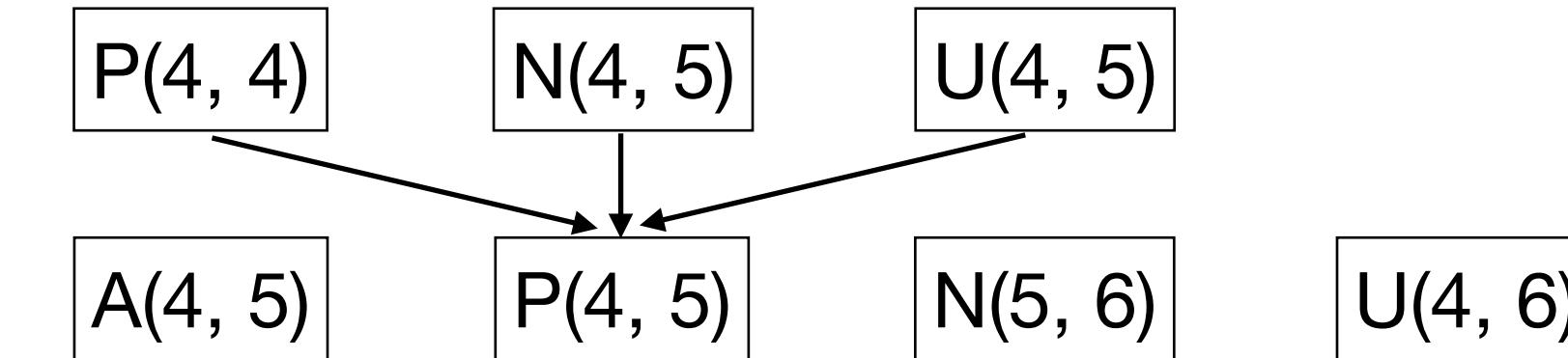
1. Start with inputs

# Applying the Analysis

## Program

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```

## Derivation Graph



## Analysis Rules

- r<sub>1</sub>:**  $P(p_1, p_3) :- P(p_1, p_2), N(p_2, p_3), U(p_1, p_3).$
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2. Apply rules to inputs

# Applying the Analysis

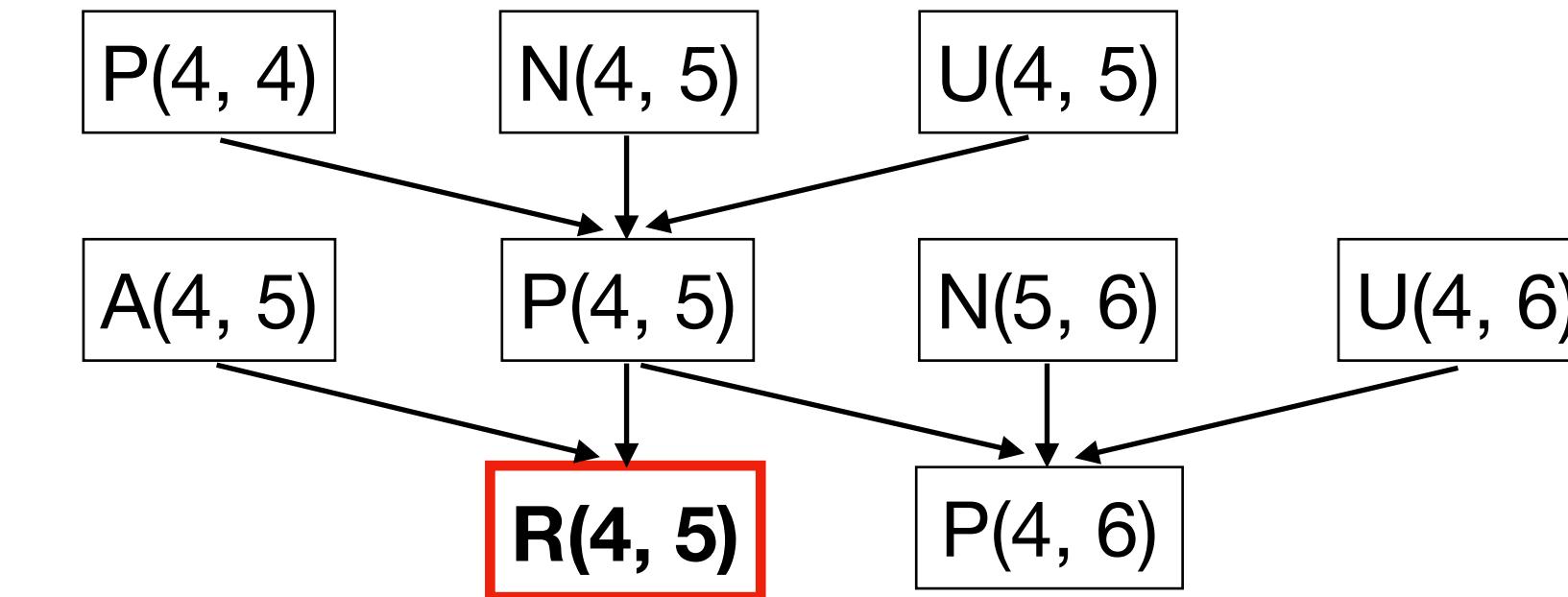
## Program

```
controlSocket.close(); //L4
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## Analysis Rules

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## Derivation Graph



3. Keep applying rules to all intermediate results

# Applying the Analysis

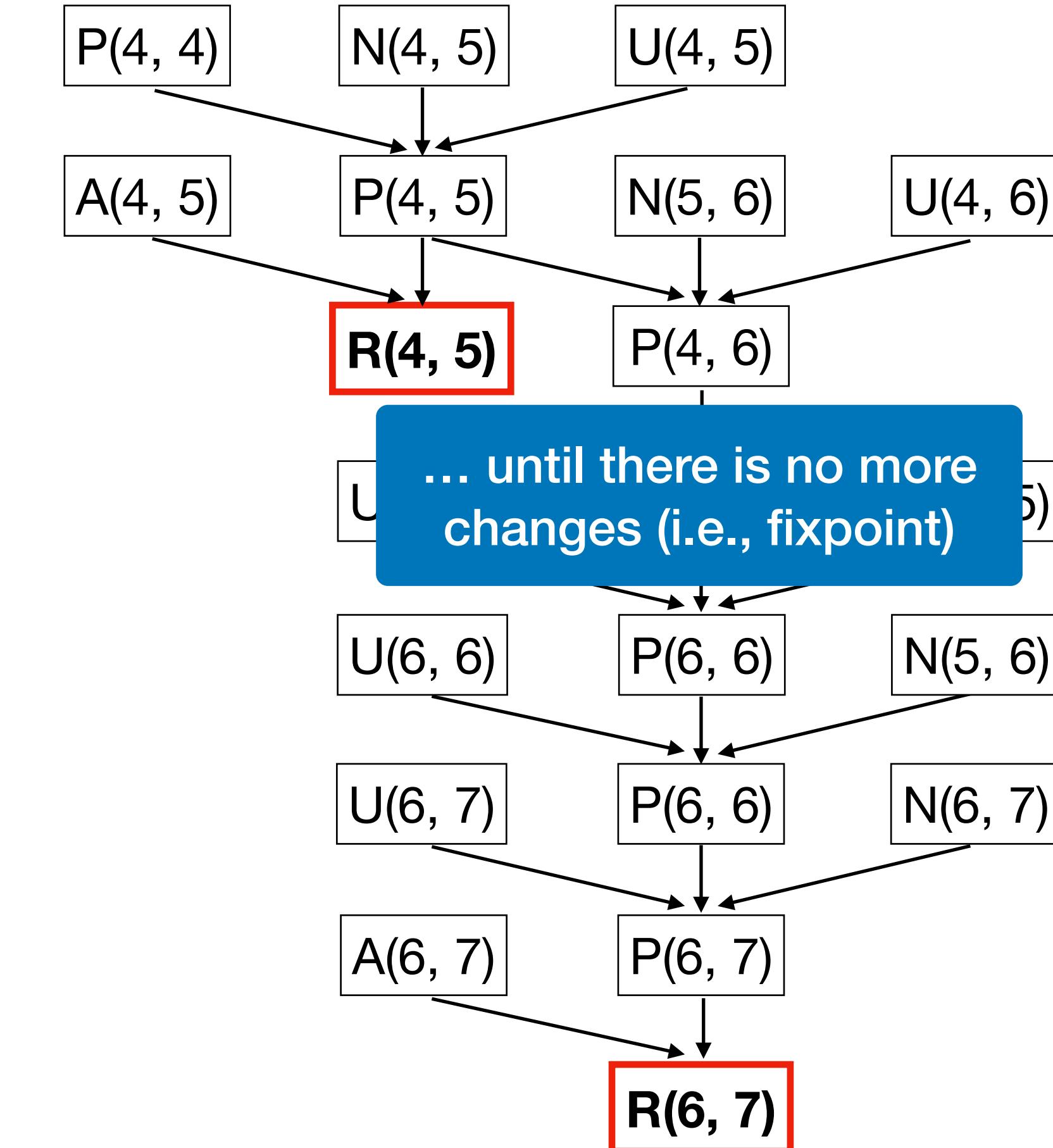
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```

## Analysis Rules

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- r<sub>2</sub>:**  $P(p_1, p_2) :- P(p_2, p_1).$
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## Derivation Graph

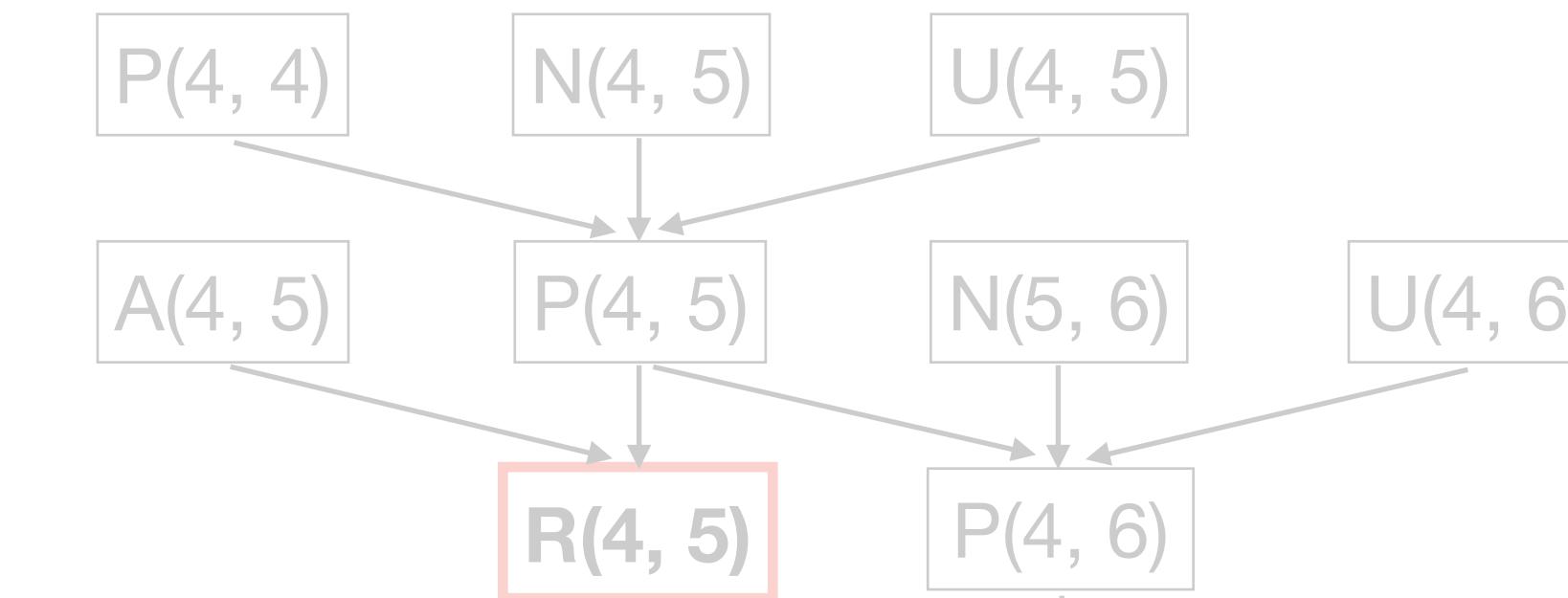


# Applying the Analysis

Program

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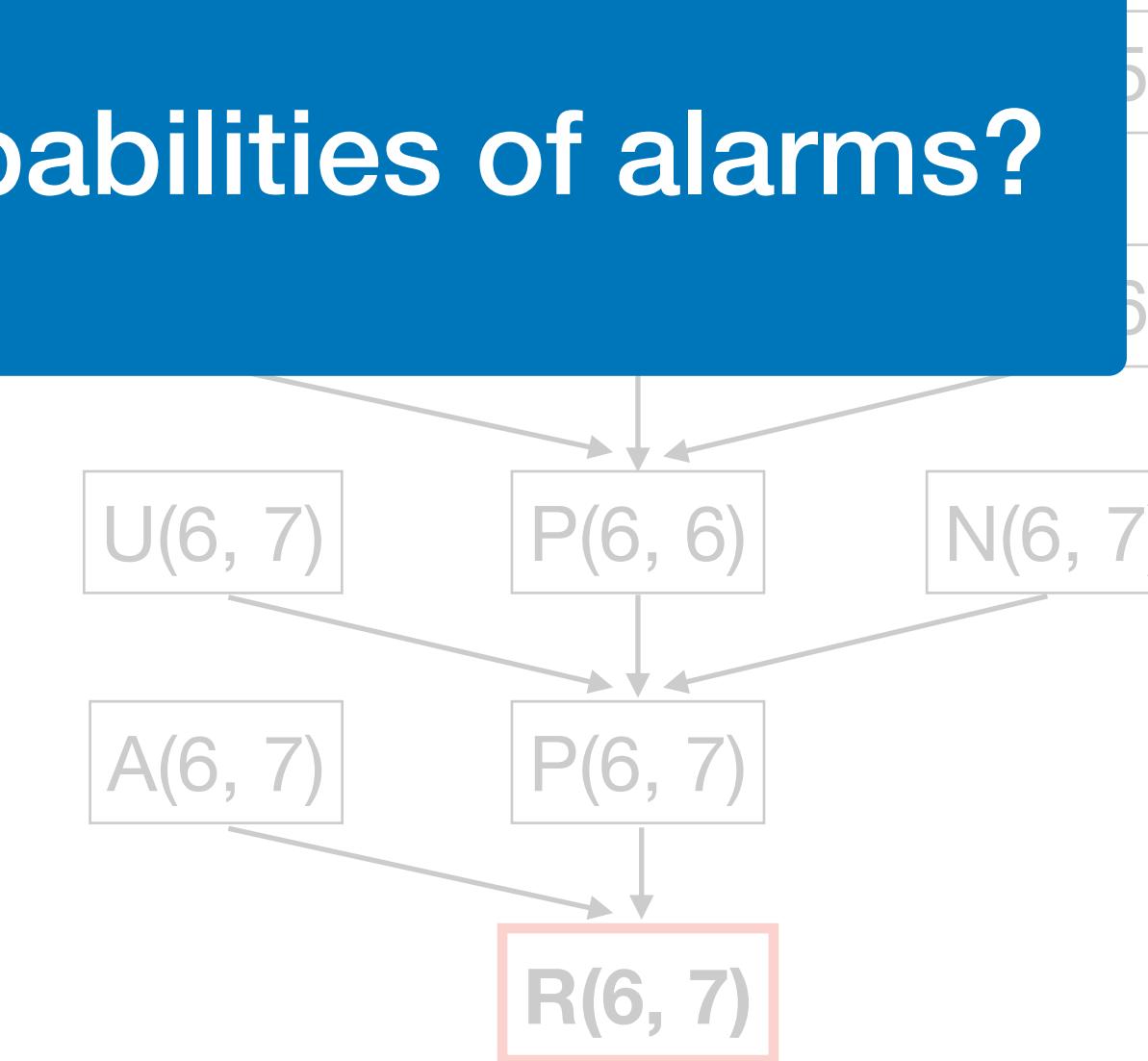
Derivation Graph



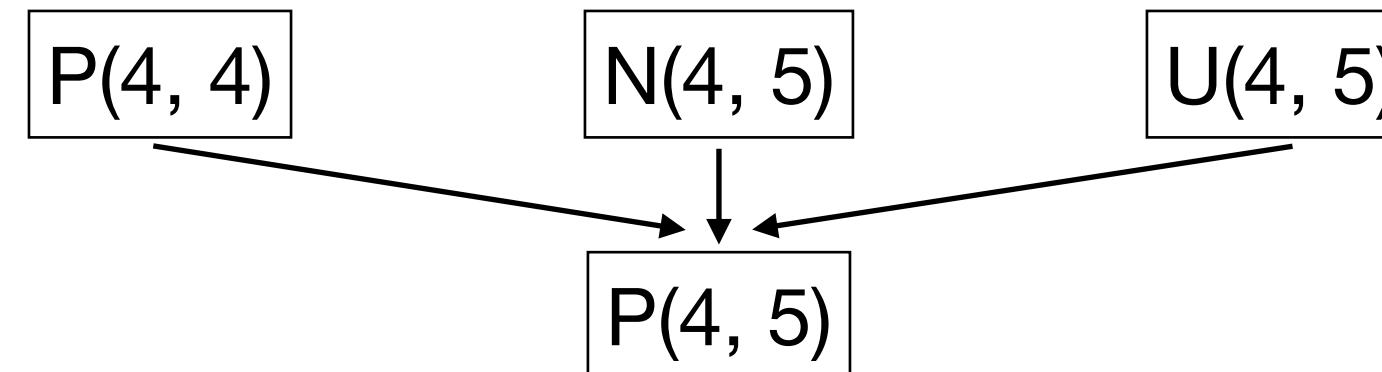
Analysis Rule

- r<sub>1</sub>:  $P(p_1, p_3)$
- r<sub>2</sub>:  $P(p_1, p_2) \leftarrow P(p_2, p_1)$ .
- r<sub>3</sub>:  $R(p_1, p_2) \leftarrow P(p_1, p_2), A(p_1, p_2)$ .

**Q: How do we compute probabilities of alarms?**



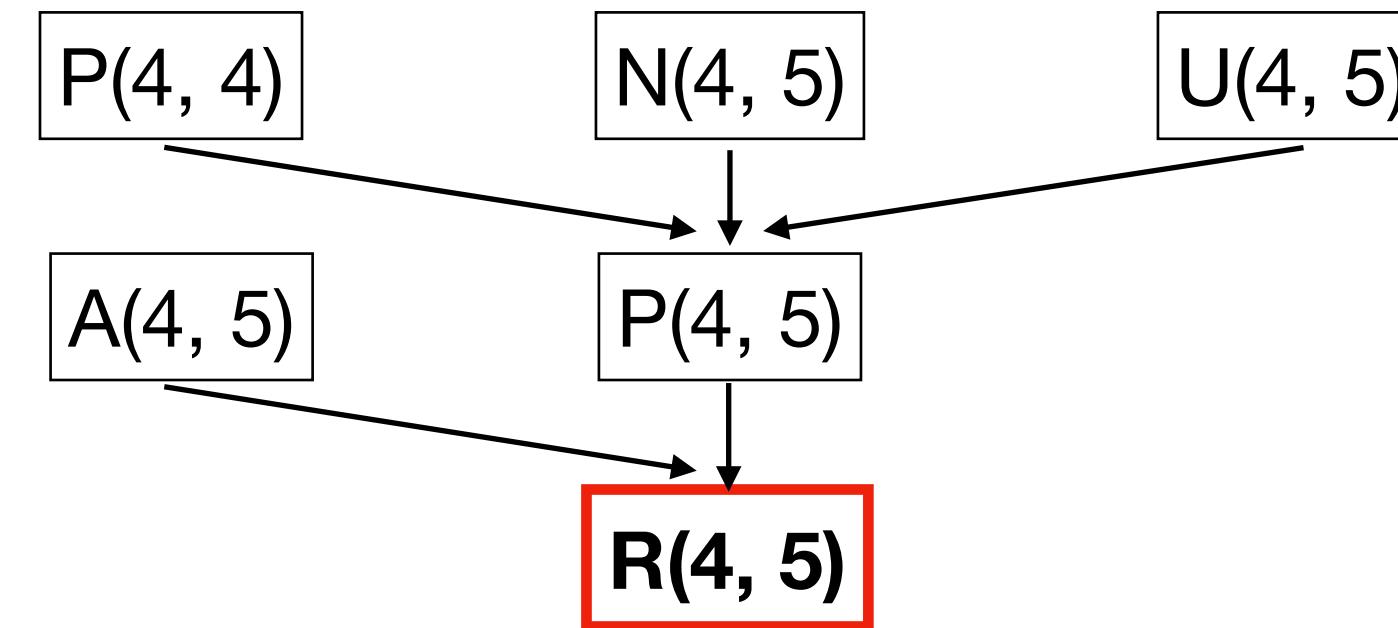
# Bayesian Network



| Logical Rule          |   | Probabilistic Rule |        |        |                      |
|-----------------------|---|--------------------|--------|--------|----------------------|
|                       |   | P(4,4)             | N(4,5) | U(4,5) | $Pr(P(4,5)   \dots)$ |
| <b>r<sub>1</sub>:</b> | $P(p_1, p_3) :- P(p_1, p_2), N(p_2, p_3), U(p_1, p_3).$ | TRUE               | TRUE   | TRUE   | 0.95*                |
| <b>r<sub>2</sub>:</b> | $P(p_1, p_2) :- P(p_2, p_1).$                           | TRUE               | TRUE   | FALSE  | 0                    |
| <b>r<sub>3</sub>:</b> | $R(p_1, p_2) :- P(p_1, p_2), A(p_1, p_2).$              |                    |        | ...    |                      |
|                       |   | FALSE              | FALSE  | FALSE  | 0                    |

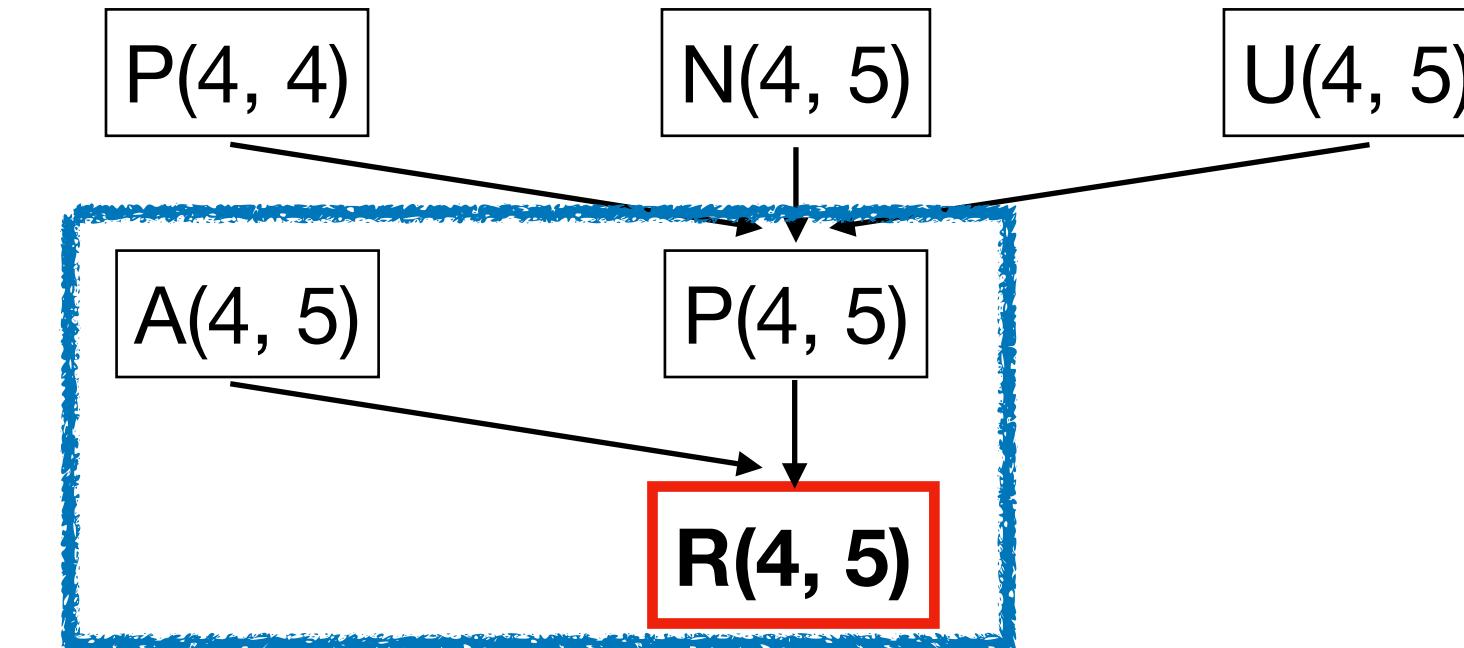
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# Marginal Inference



$$Pr(R(4,5)) =$$

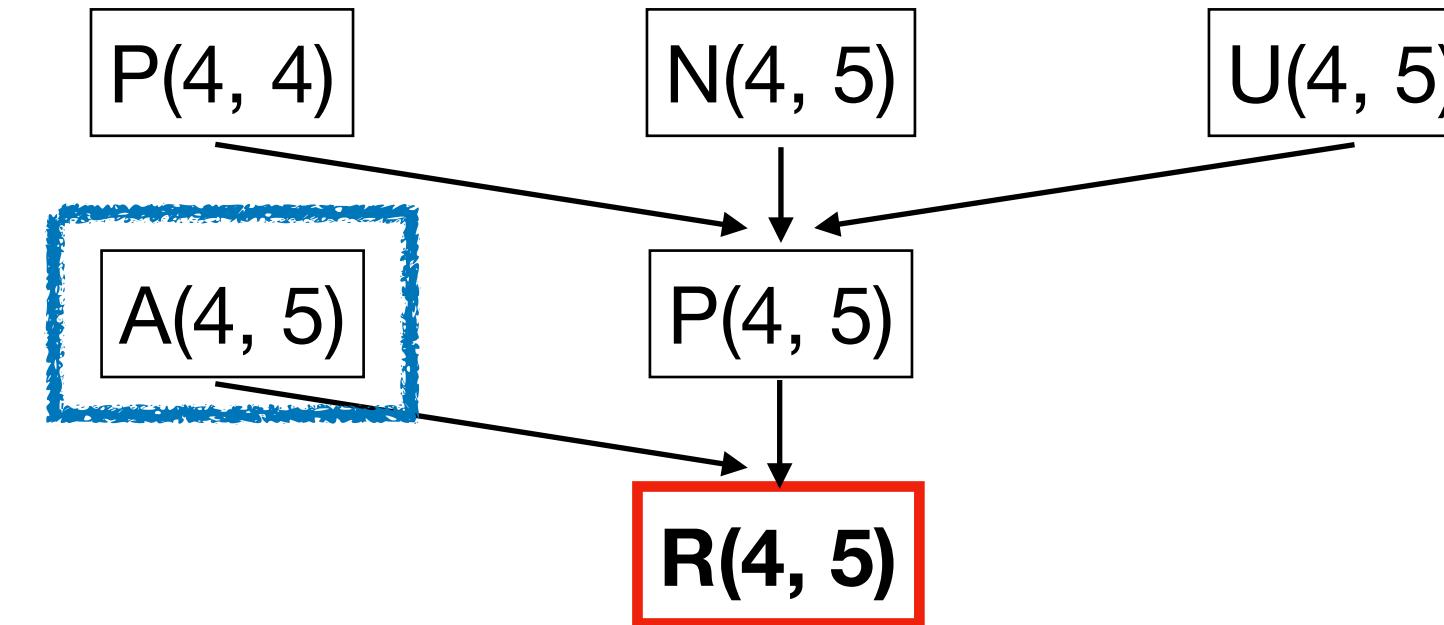
# Marginal Inference



$$Pr(R(4,5)) = Pr(R(4,5) | A(4,5), P(4,5))$$

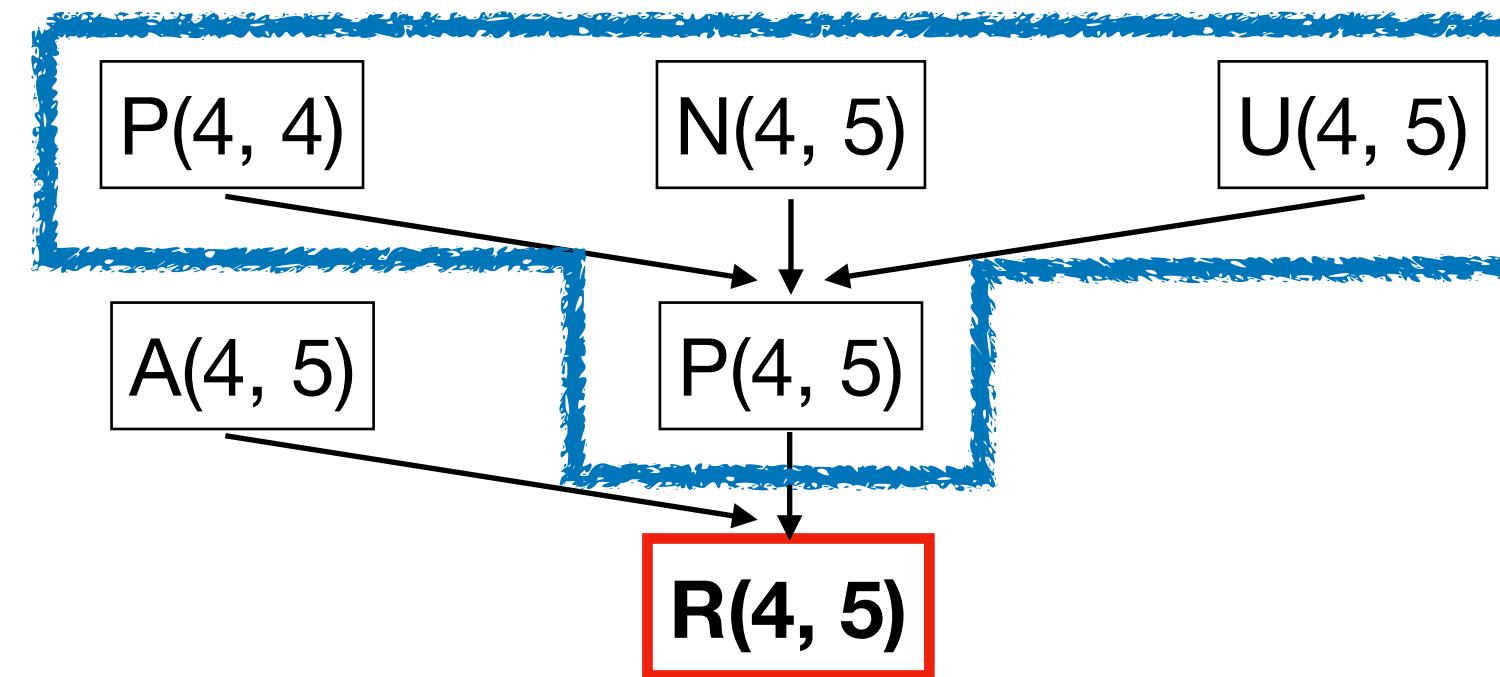
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# Marginal Inference



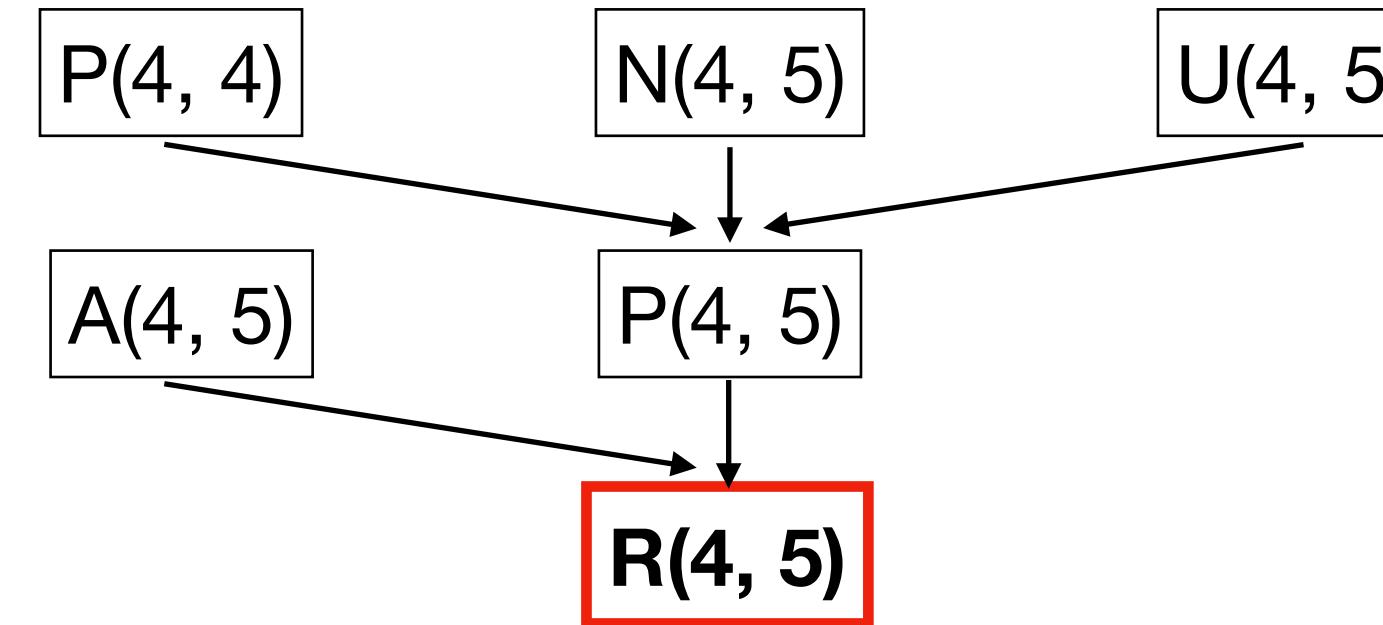
$$\begin{aligned} Pr(R(4,5)) &= Pr(R(4,5) \mid A(4,5), P(4,5)) \\ &\times \boxed{Pr(A(4,5))} \\ &\times \end{aligned}$$

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# Marginal Inference



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by an off-the-shelf marginal  
inference solver

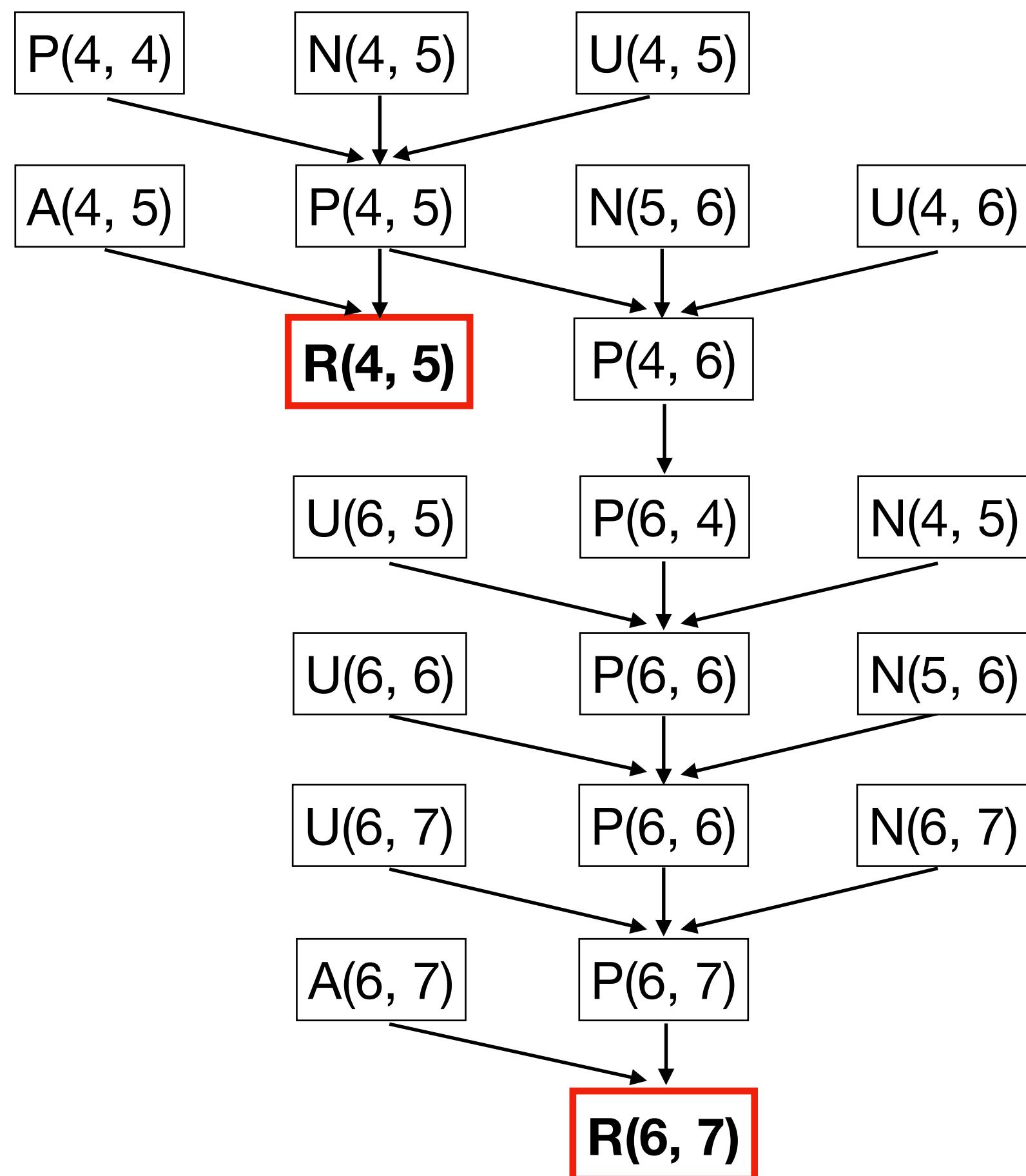
# Alarm Ranking

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    public FtpRequest getRequest() {  
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    }  
  
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    }  
}
```

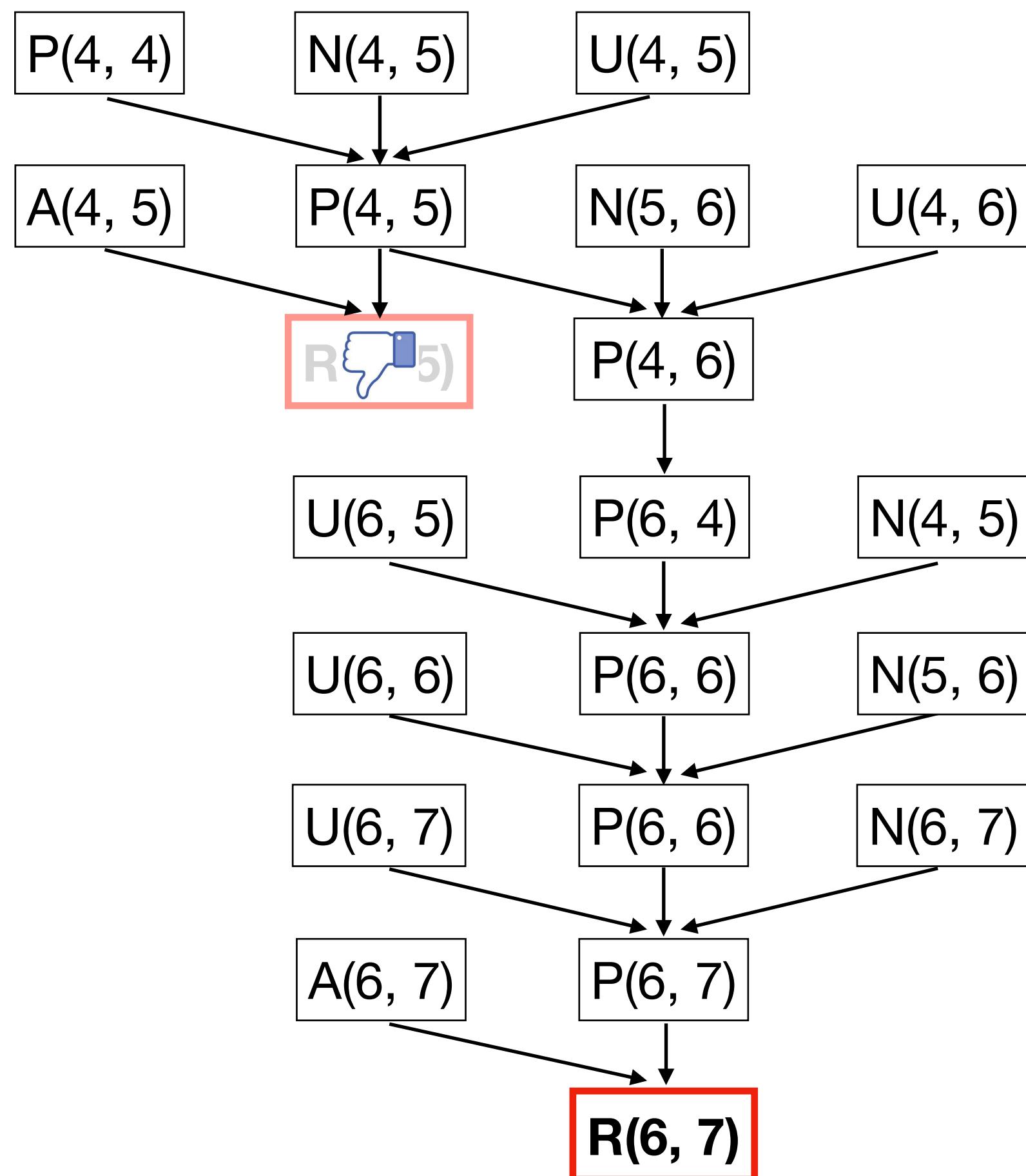
| Ranking | Alarm   | Confidence |   |
|---------|---------|------------|---|
| 1       | R(4, 5) | 0.398      |  |
| 2       | R(5, 5) | 0.378      |   |
| 3       | R(6, 7) | 0.324      |   |
| 4       | R(7, 7) | 0.308      |   |
| 5       | R(0, 7) | 0.279      |  |

**Q: What are the probabilities of the other alarms when R(4,5) is false?**

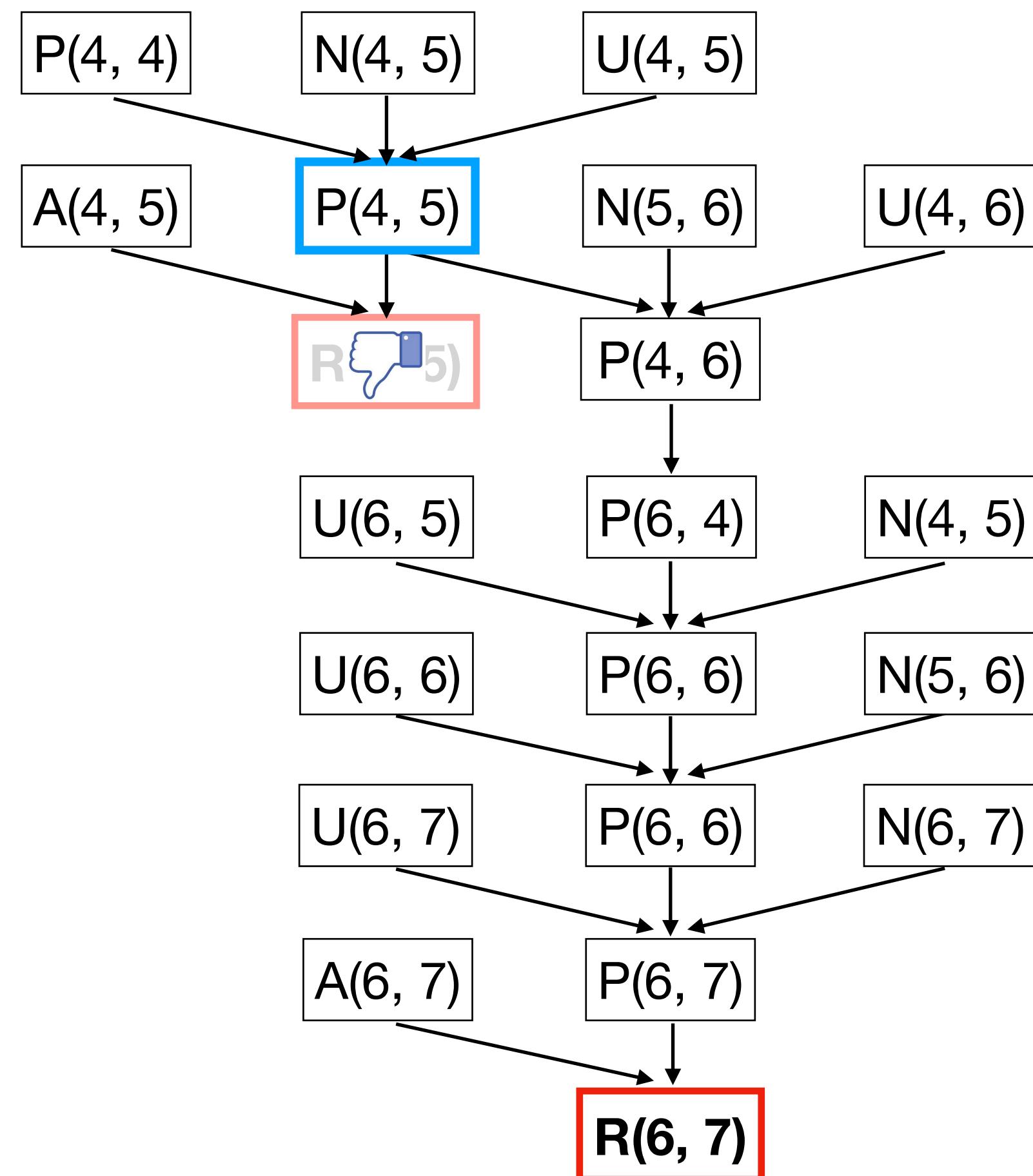
# Probability of Alarms



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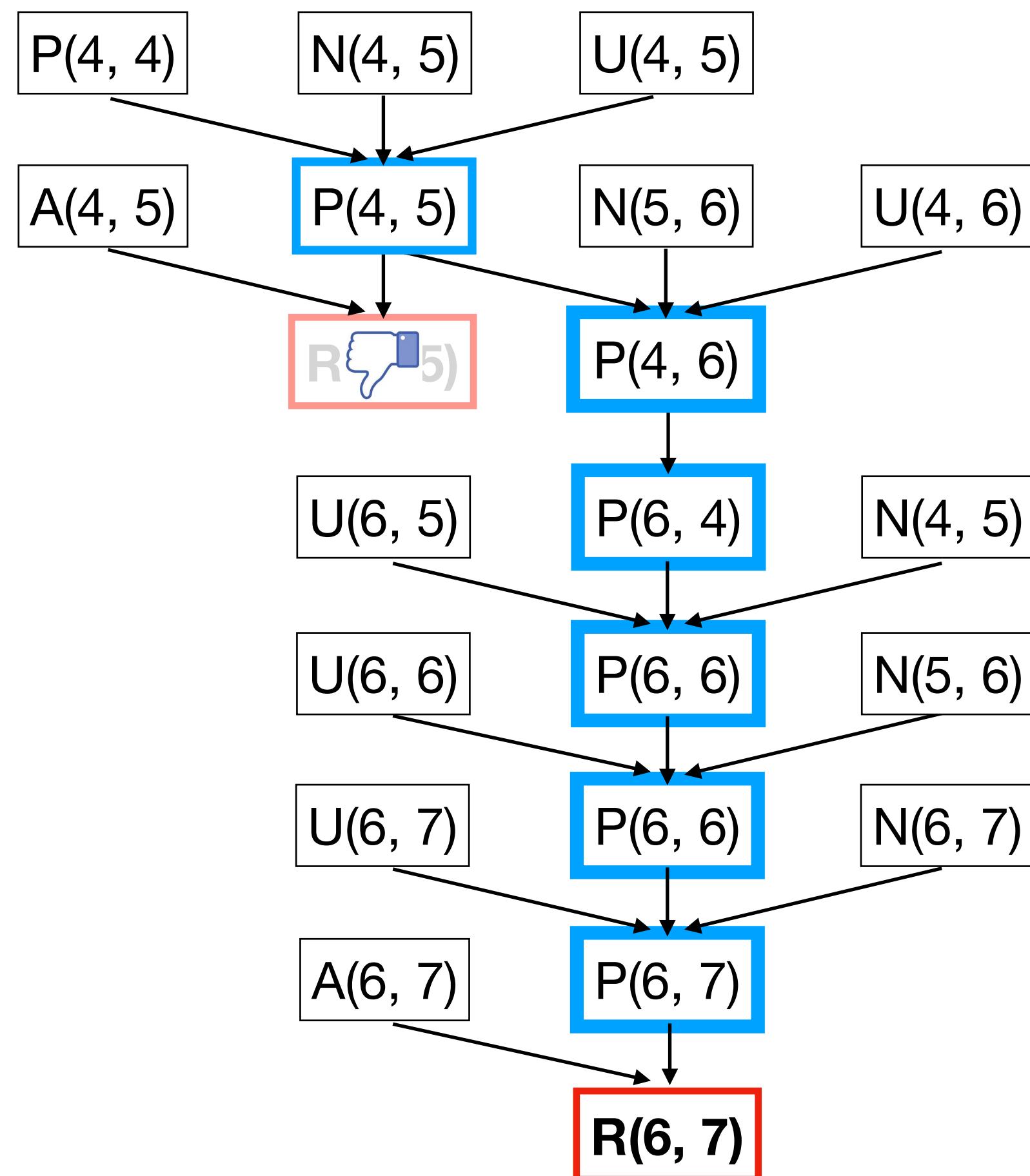


# Probability of Alarms



$$\begin{aligned}Pr(P(4,5) | \neg R(4,5)) \\= Pr(\neg R(4,5) | P(4,5)) * \\Pr(P(4,5)) / Pr(\neg R(4,5)) \\= 0.03\end{aligned}$$

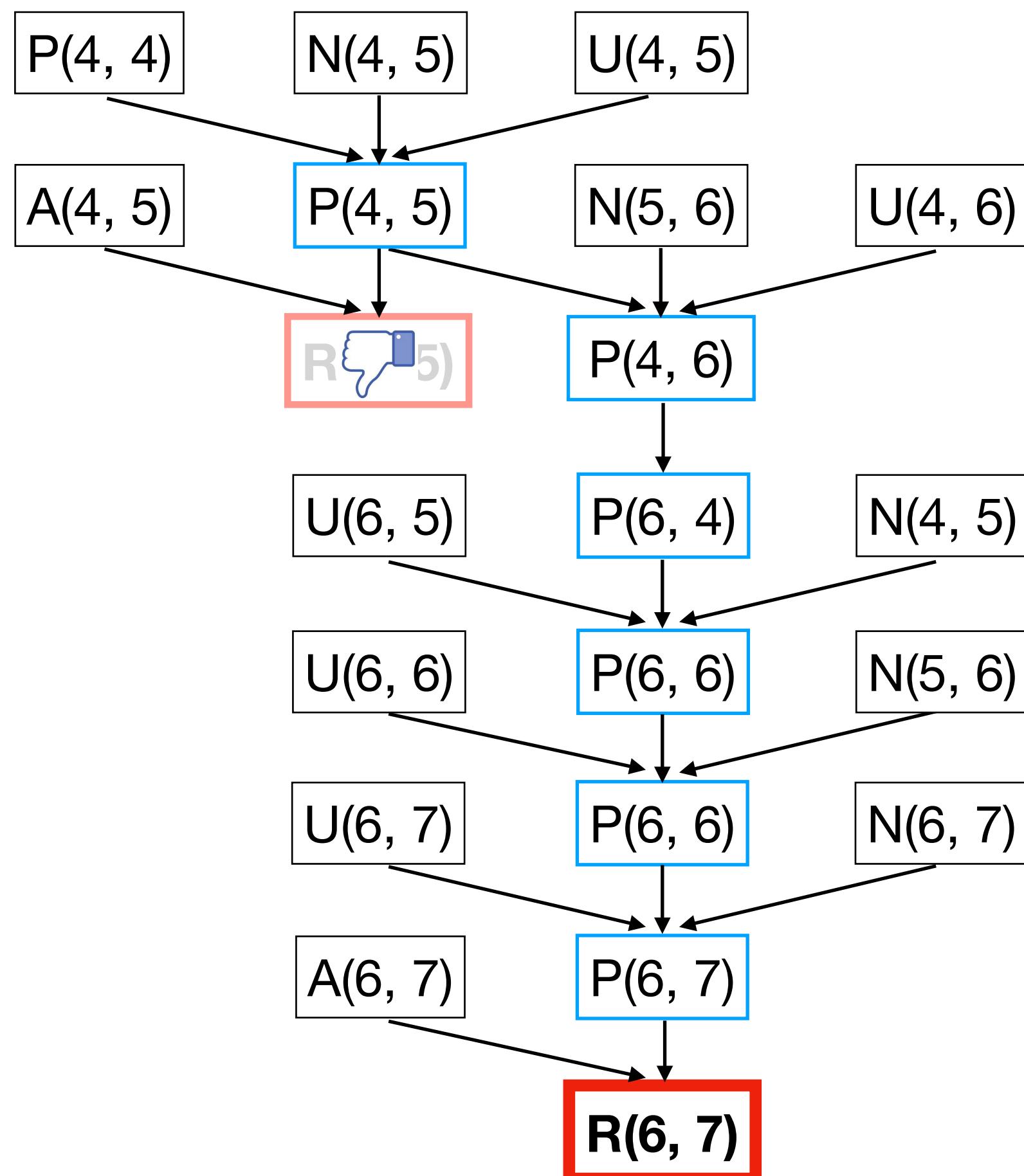
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By Bayes's Rule:  
 $Pr(A|B) = Pr(B|A) * Pr(A) / Pr(B)$

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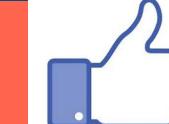
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$$\begin{aligned}Pr(R(6,7) | \neg R(4,5)) &= Pr(R(6,7) | P(4,5)) * \\Pr(P(4,5) | \neg R(4,5)) &= 0.03\end{aligned}$$

# New Alarm Ranking

| Ranking | Alarm   | Confidence |   |
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| 4       | R(7, 7) | 0.308      |   |
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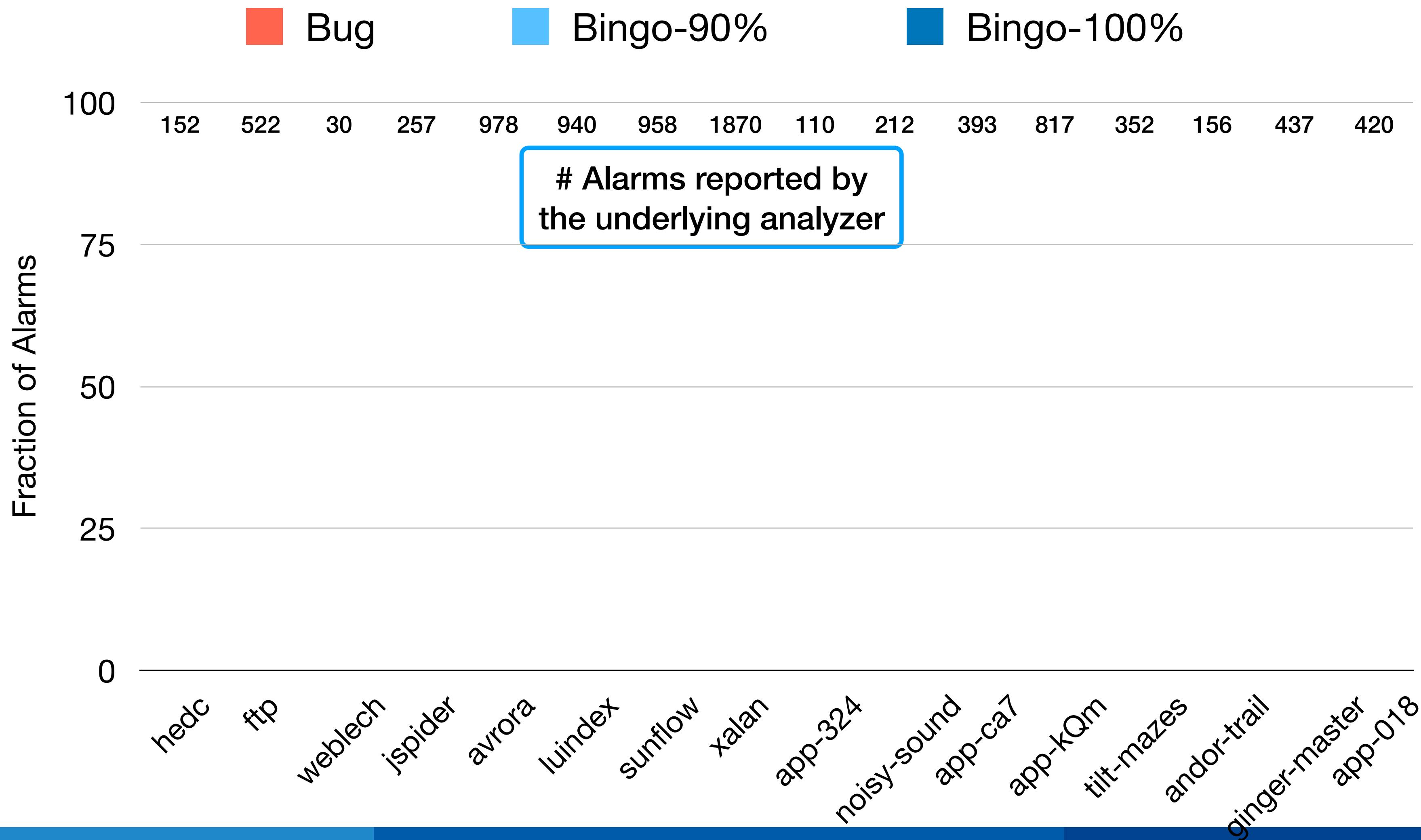
| Ranking | Alarm   | Confidence |   |
|---------|---------|------------|---|
| 1       | R(0, 7) | 0.279      |  |
| 2       | R(5, 5) | 0.035      |   |
| 3       | R(6, 7) | 0.030      |   |
| 4       | R(7, 7) | 0.028      |   |
| 5       | R(4, 5) | 0          |   |

# Effectiveness

40–616KLOC JAVA Programs  
Datarace and Privacy leak analyses

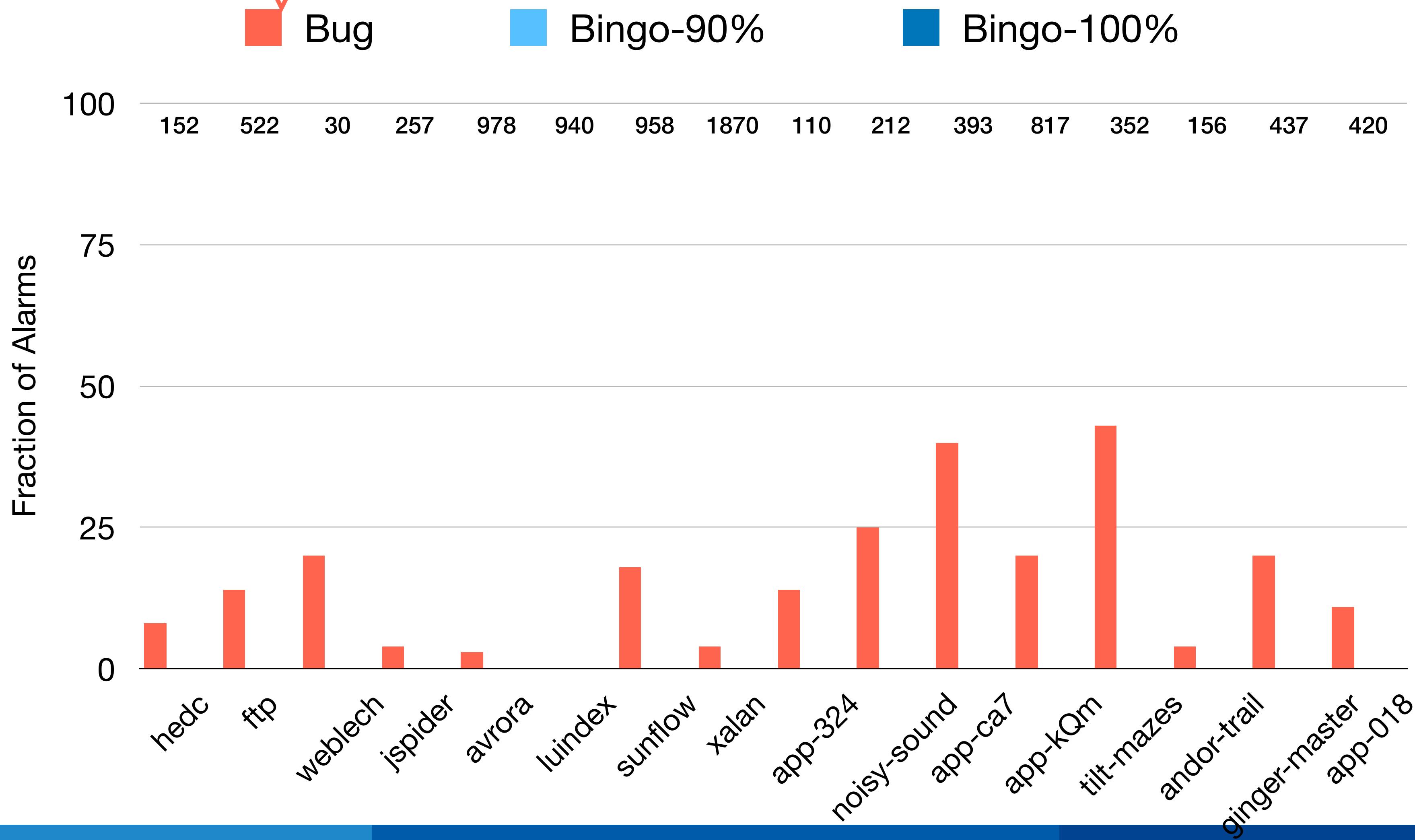
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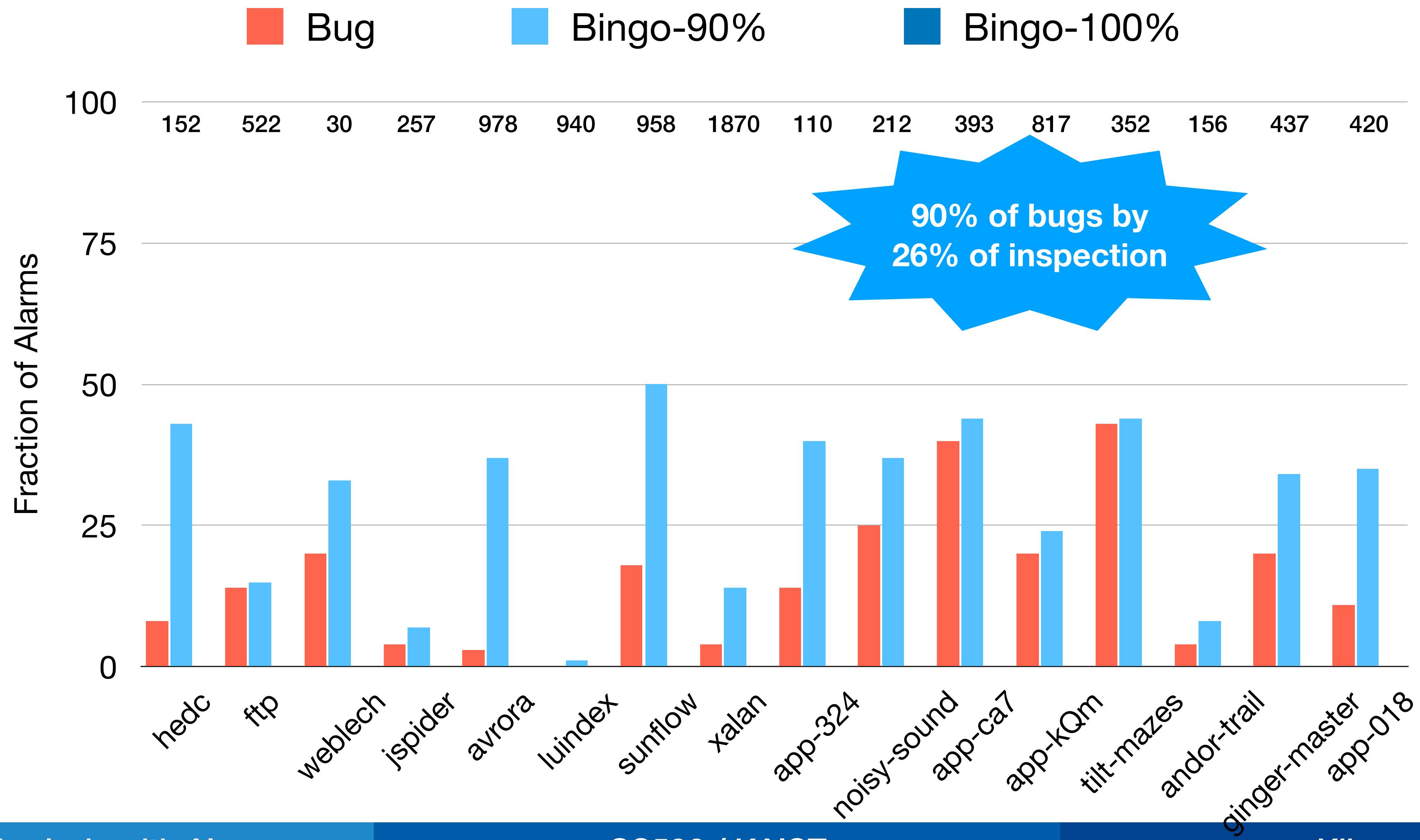


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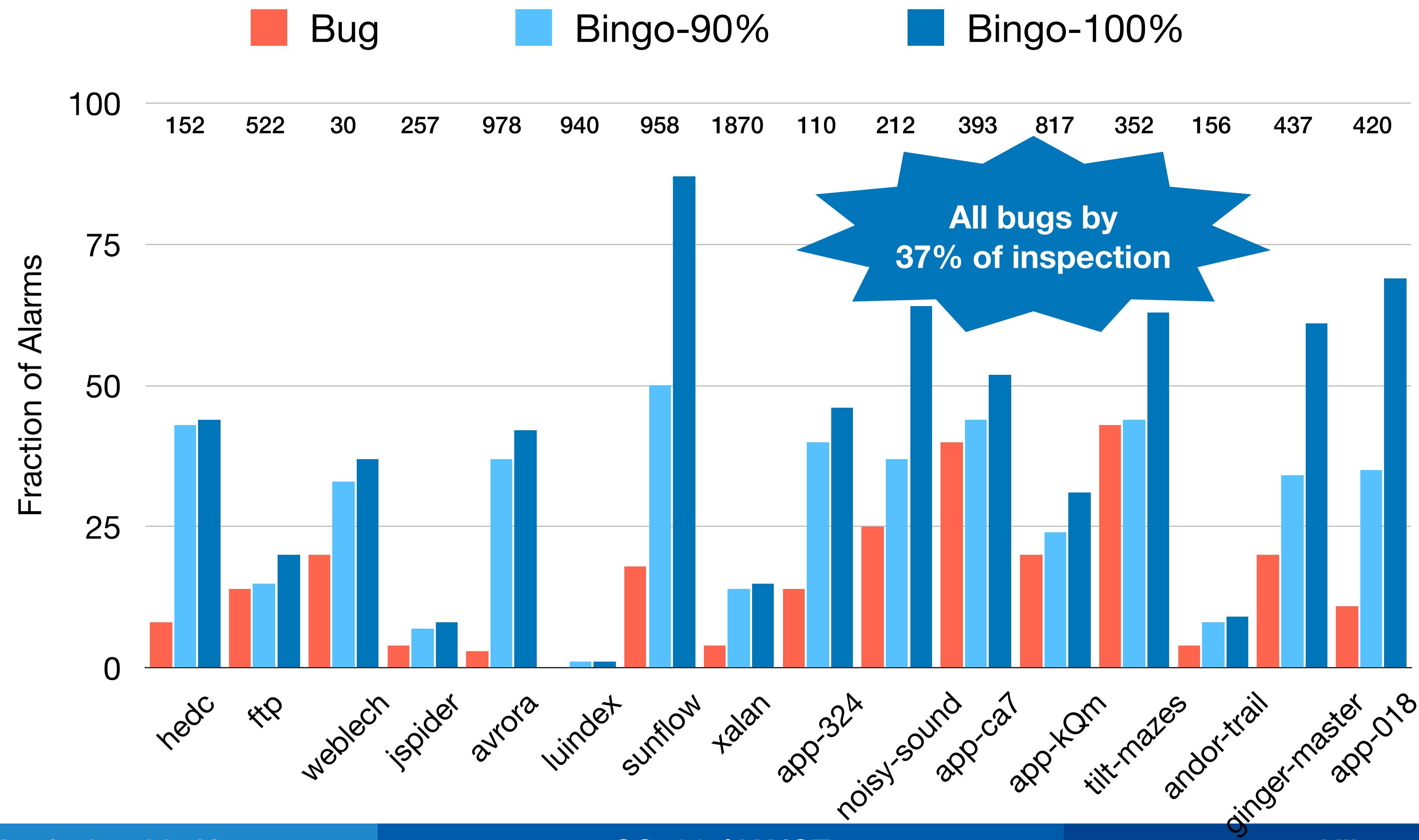
Only a few of them are real bugs (12%)



# Effectiveness



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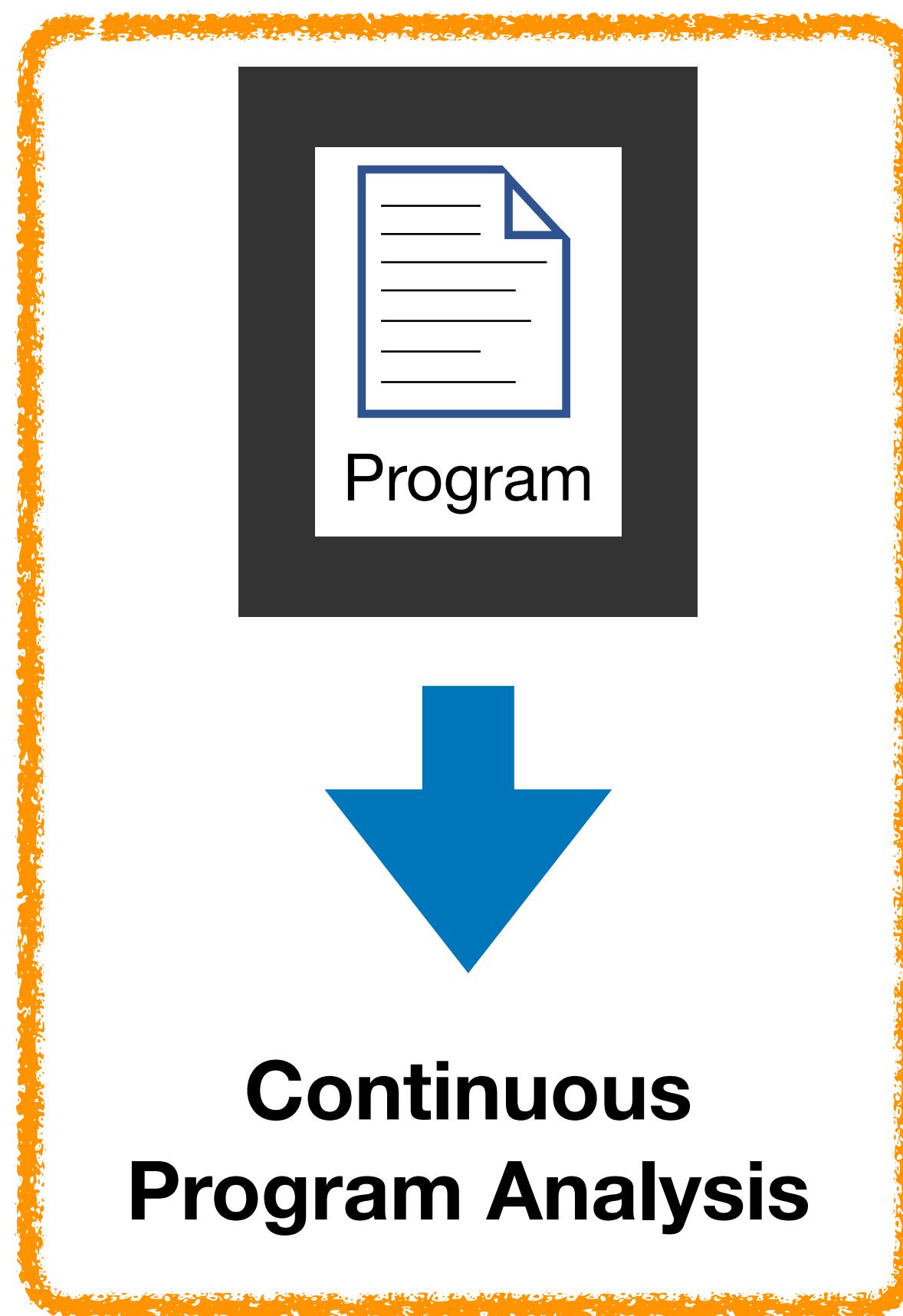
# Outline



**Adaptive  
Program Analysis**



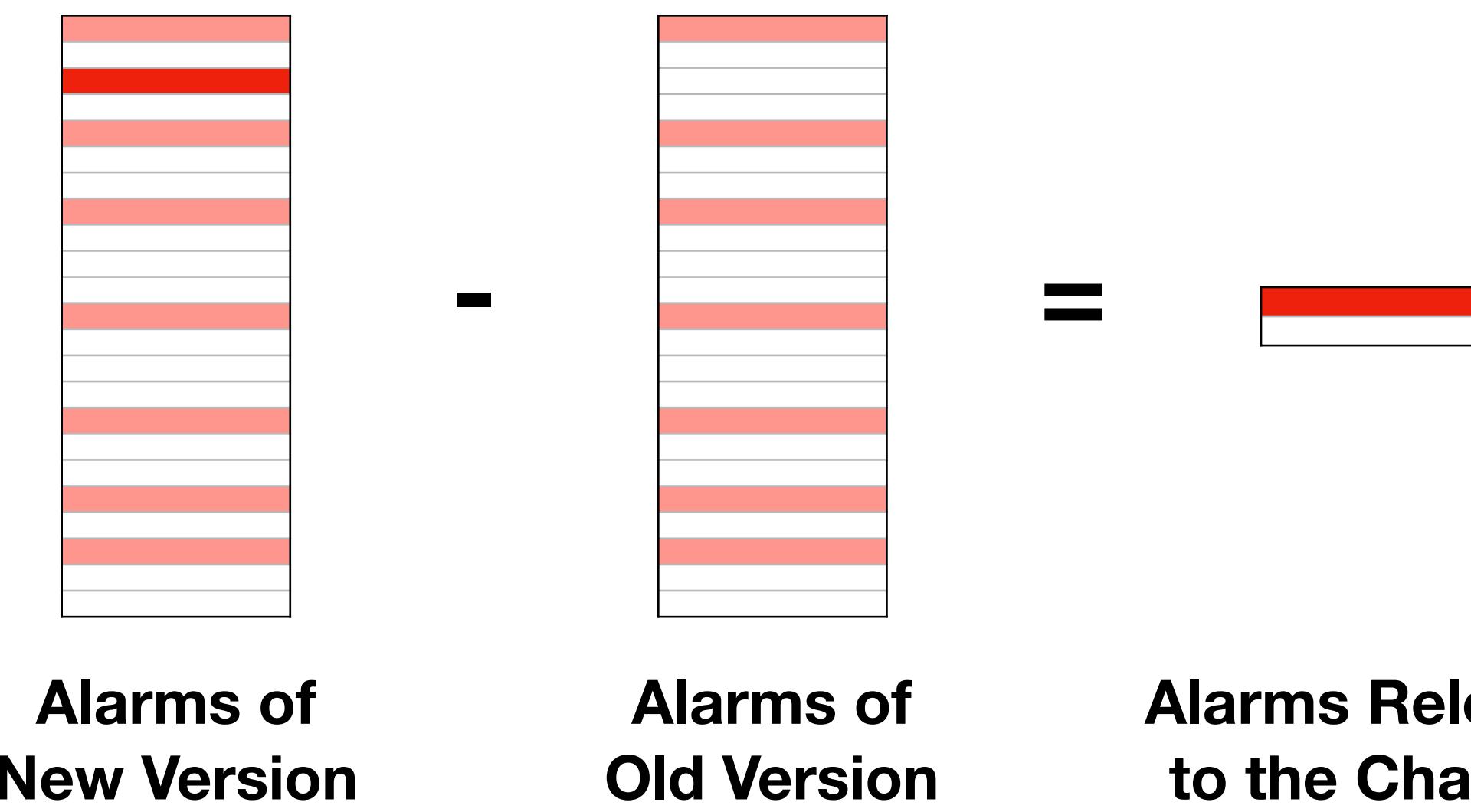
**Interactive  
Program Analysis**



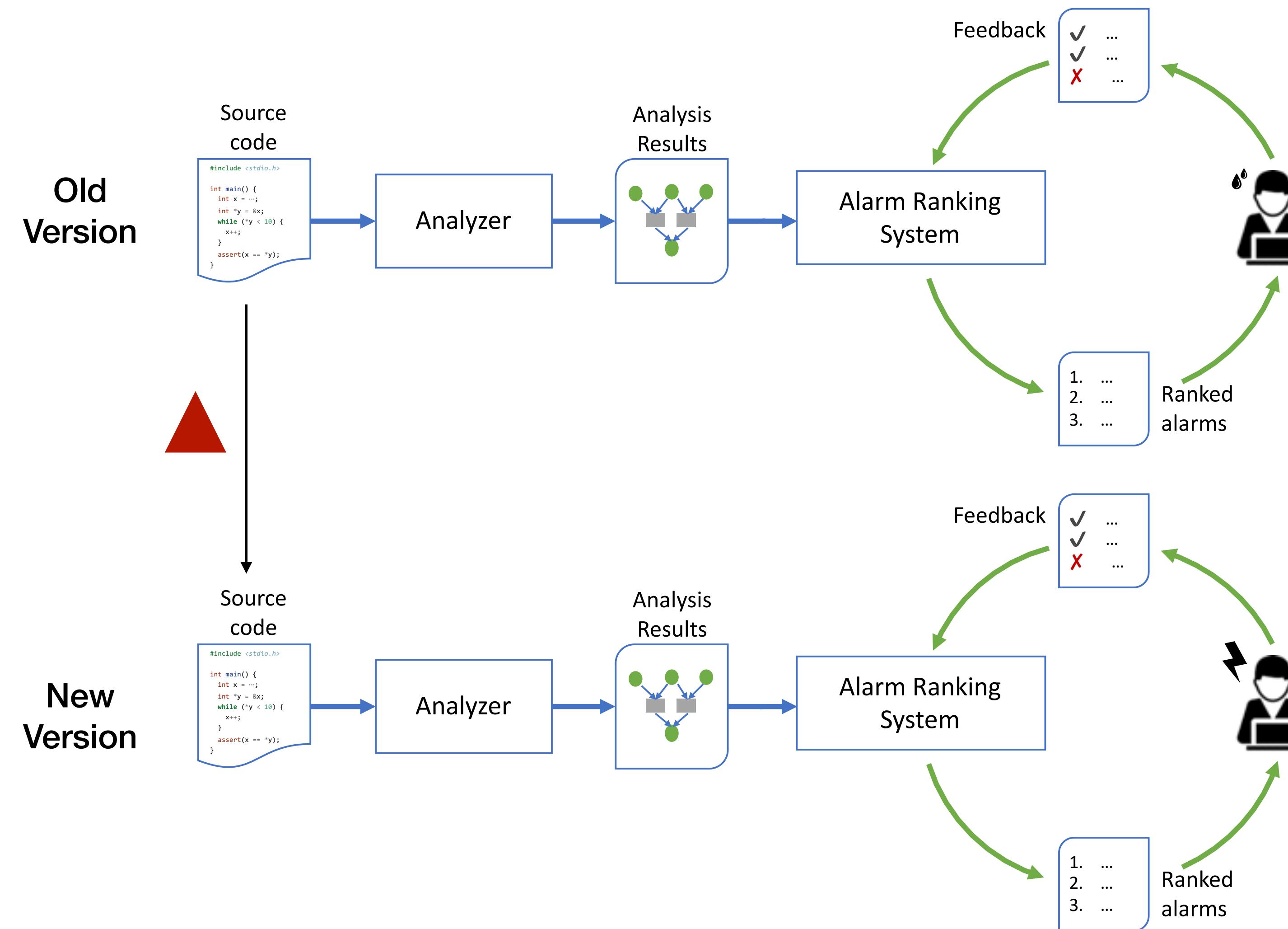
**Continuous  
Program Analysis**

# Drake: Continuous Alarm Masking System

[PLDI'19]



# Batch-mode Reasoning



# Continuous Reasoning

*“We only display results for most analyses on **changed lines** by default; this keeps analysis results **relevant** to the code review at hand”, - Google, 2015*

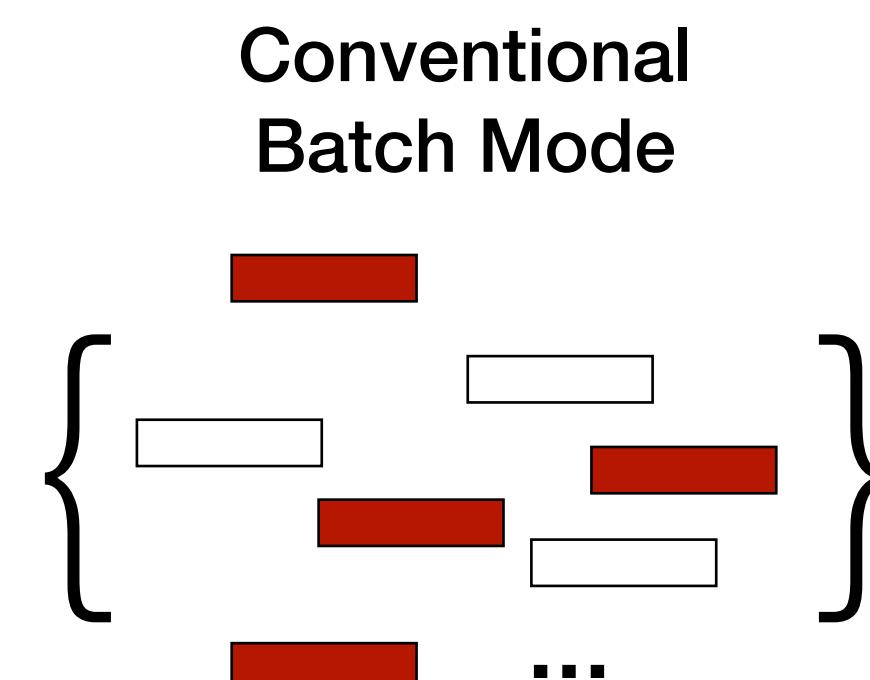
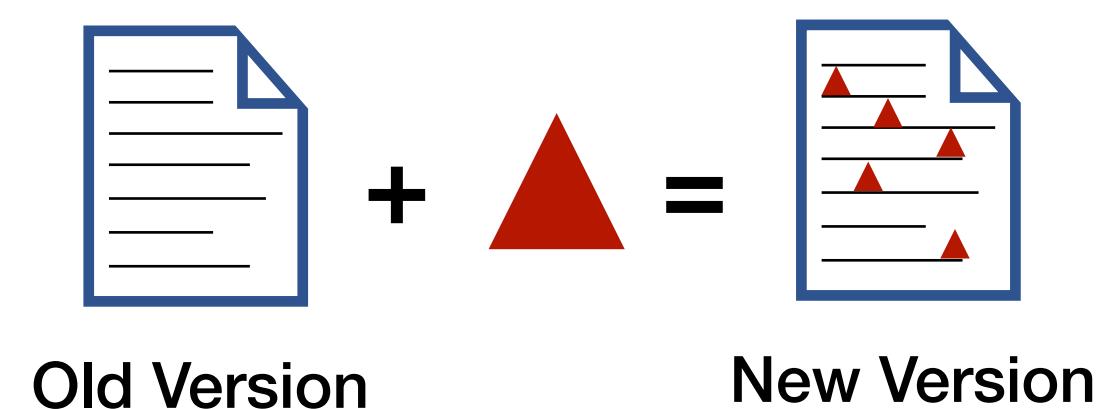
*“The vast majority of Infer’s impact to this point is attributable to **continuous reasoning at diff time**”, - Facebook, 2016*

*“... is the ability to analyze a **changelist (a.k.a. a commit)** **rather than the entire codebase**. This functionality can help developers assess the quality and impact of a change ...”, - Microsoft, 2016*

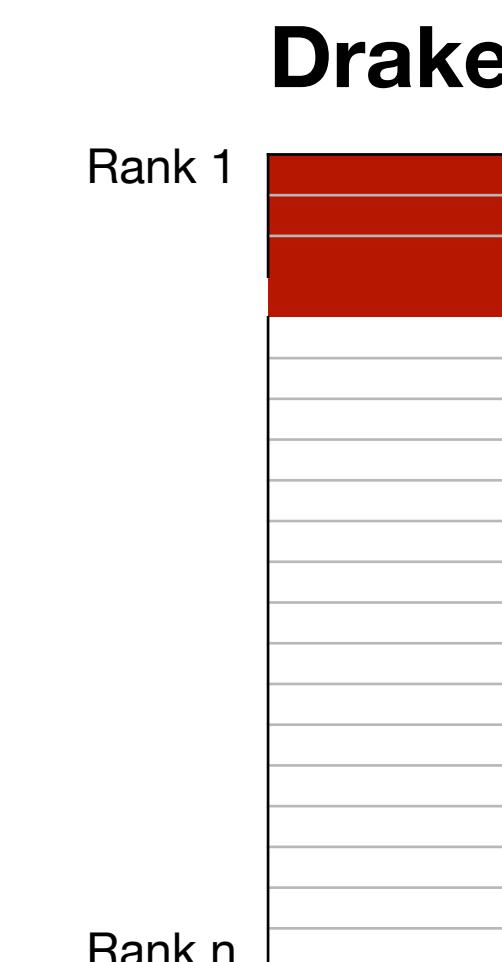
*“In order to realize the goal, verification must continue to work with low effort **as developers change the code**. ... Neither of these approaches would work for Amazon as s2n is under **continuous development**.”, - Amazon, 2018*

# Goal

- Prioritize alarms by their **relevance to the change**



Conventional  
Batch Mode



: Alarms relevant to the change

: Alarms NOT relevant to the change

# Example

## Old Version

```
1: x = input();
2: y = input();
3: x = opaque_dec(x);
4: y = opaque_dec(y);
5: x++; // Alarm ✓
6: y++; // Alarm ✓
```

x and y can be any integers

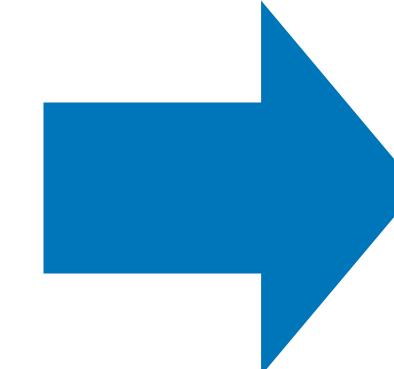
Opaque, but “--” actually

Integer overflow alarms at 5 & 6

# Example

## Old Version

```
1: x = input();
2: y = input();
3: x = opaque_dec(x);
-4: y = opaque_dec(y);
5: x++; // Alarm ✓
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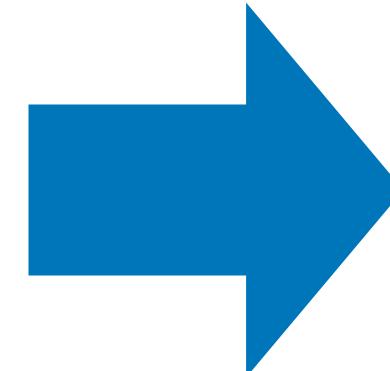
## New Version

```
1: x = input();
2: y = input();
3: x = opaque_dec(x);
+4: y = identity(y);
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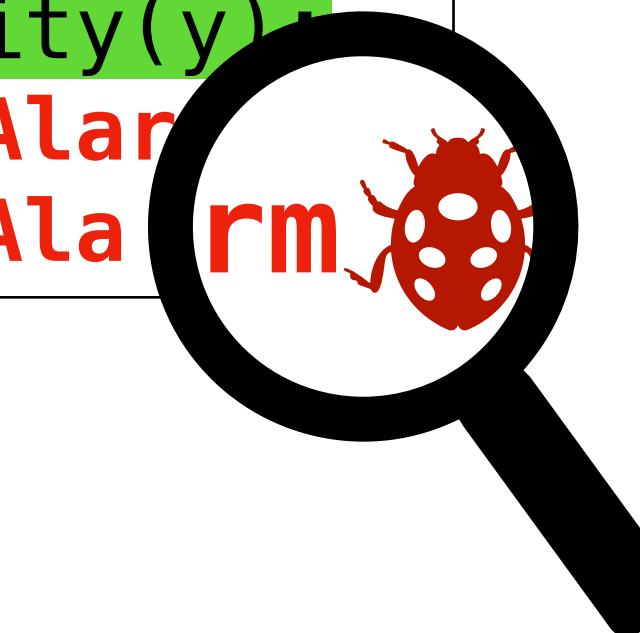
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## New Version

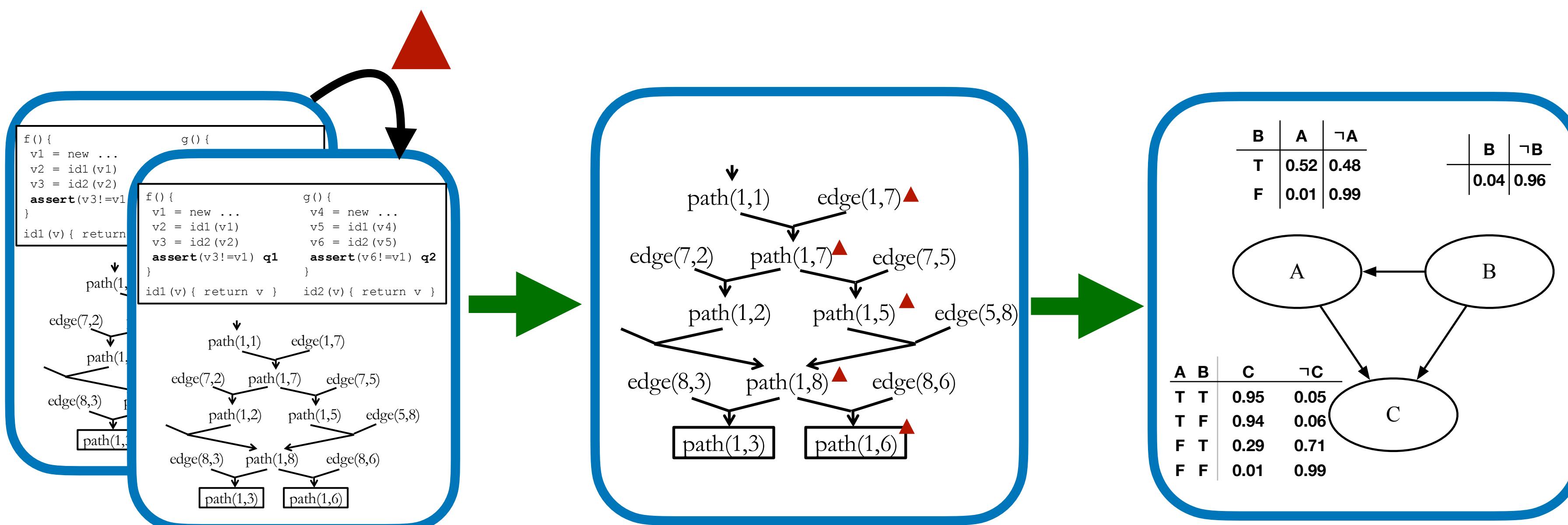
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Q: How to emphasize the alarm at 6  
that is relevant to this change?

# Key Idea

## Differential derivation + Bayesian inference



Program Analysis Results  
of Two Versions

Differential Derivation

Probabilistic Model  
(Bayesian Network)

# Program Analysis

## Analysis Inputs:

$\text{Input}(p_1)$ ,  $\text{Edge}(p_1, p_2)$ ,  $\text{Inc}(p_1)$

Read an input at  
program point  $p_1$

Immediate data flow  
from  $p_1$  to  $p_2$

Increment expression  
at  $p_1$

## Analysis Rules:

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**Analysis Outputs:**

$\text{Path}(p_1, p_2)$ ,  $\text{Overflow}(p_1)$

Transitive data flow  
from  $p_1$  to  $p_2$

Integer overflow at  $p_1$

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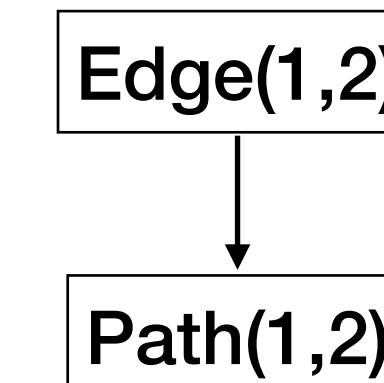
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**Derivation**

# Program Analysis

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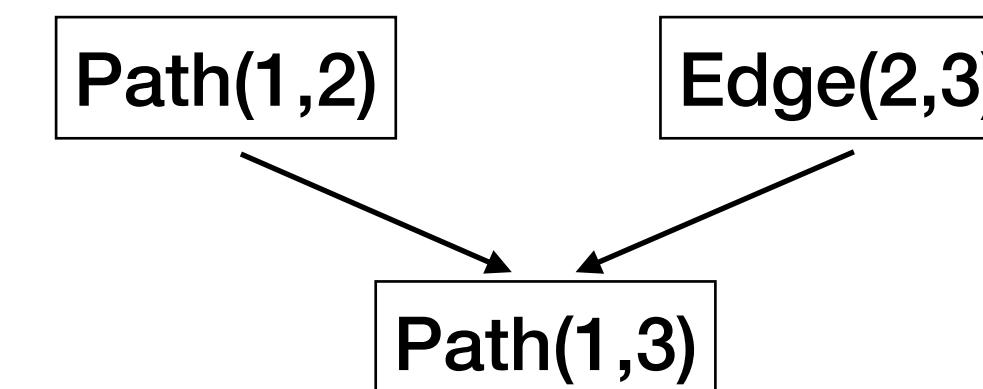
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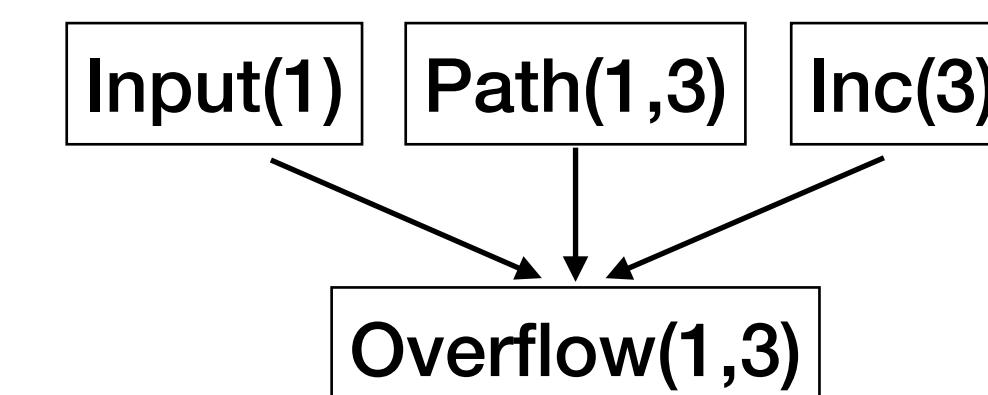
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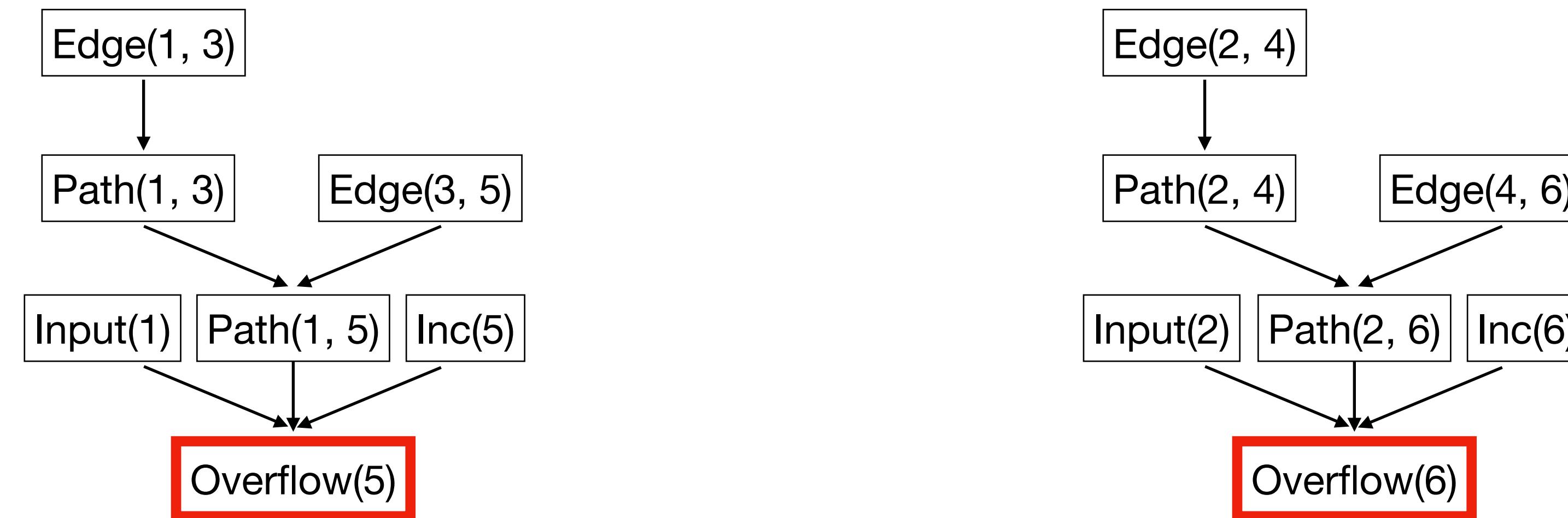
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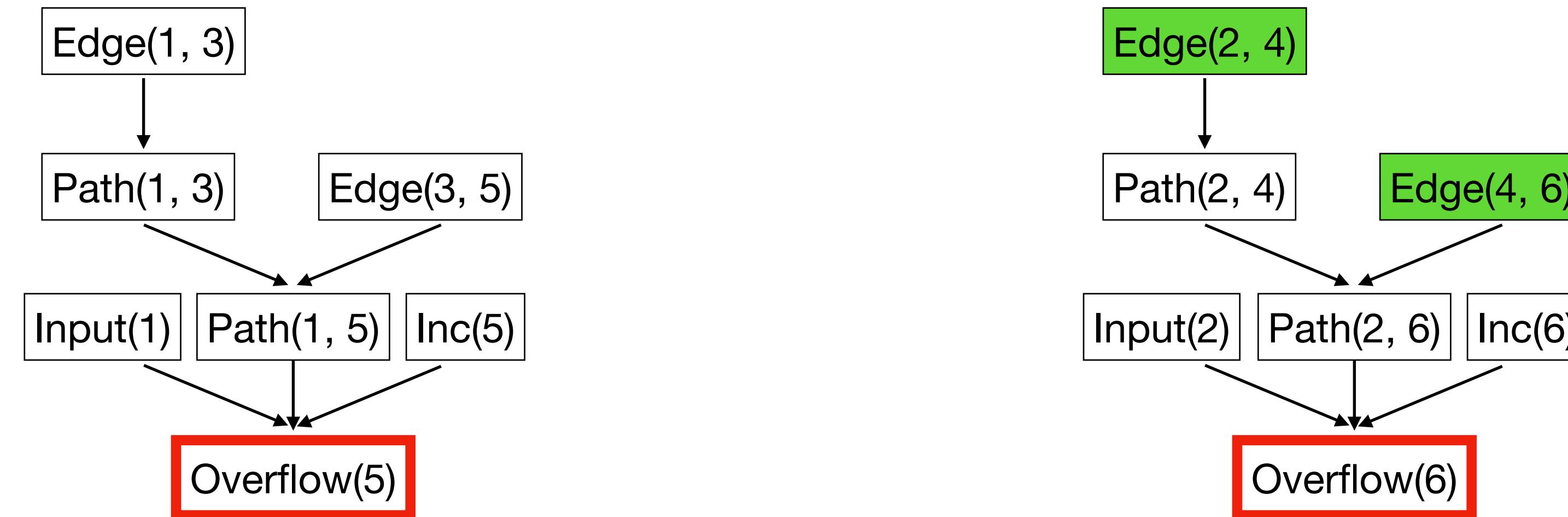
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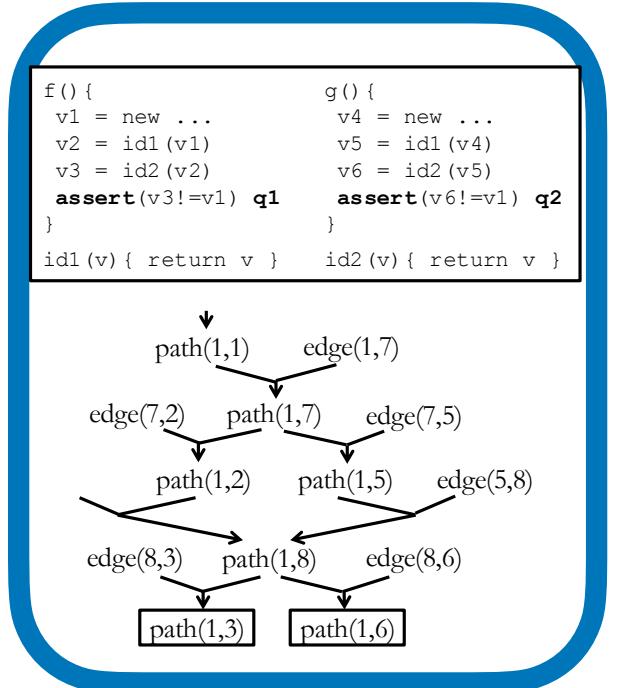
13–112KLOC C Programs (old and new)

3 bugs on average

Buffer overrun and Integer overflow analyses

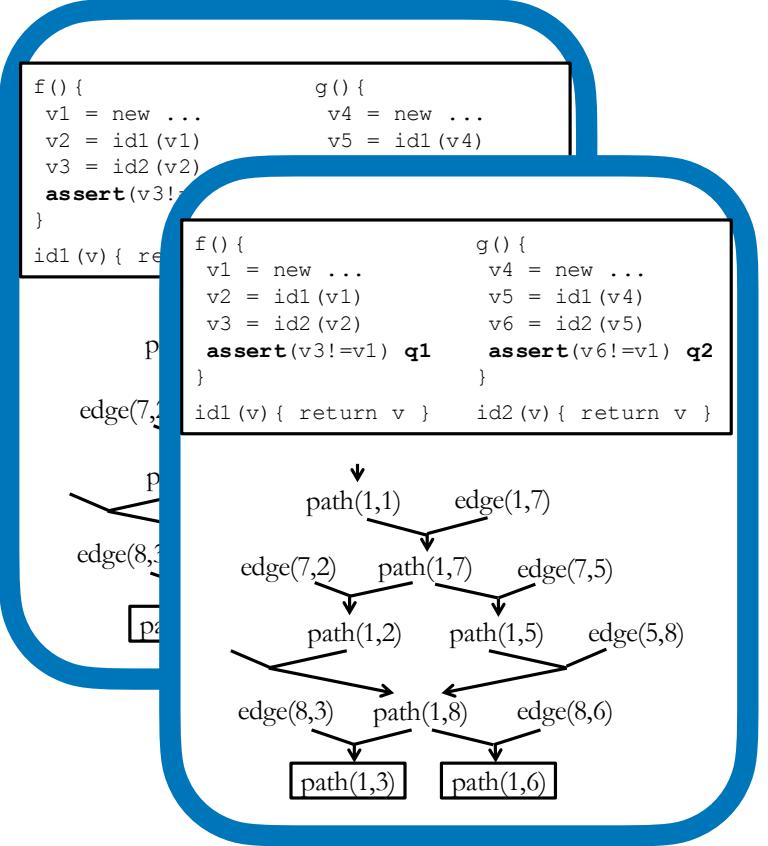
# Effectiveness

Avg. inspection burden  
to discover 3 bugs on average



Batch mode

All bugs are interspersed in  
**563** alarms



Ranking by relevance

All bugs located in  
up to rank **94**



+ Ranking by interaction

All bugs are founded  
up to **30** iterations

# Summary

- Towards next-generation program analysis systems with AI
  - **Adaptive:** automatically find a right abstraction
  - **Interactive:** incorporate user's feedback
  - **Continuous:** keep track of code changes
- Need a lot more research on making AI understand program code
  - E.g., feature engineerings, learning methods, etc