
Formal verification Engines CERN training - July 2025

Engines

Choosing the right engine makes sense to reduce the processing time, especially for continuous integration.

Try autotune on the counter example, by launching the following command :

```
sby --autotune --yosys "yosys -m ghdl" -f counter.sby
```

- What is the result?
- What engine should you use for bmc and prove?

Go to your previous elevator/v2, and run the same autotune.

- What is the result?
- What engine should you use for bmc and prove?

Reset vs finding a bug

Go back to the counter, and modify the scripts part of the .sby :

```
ghdl --std=08 -gSIZE=32 -gERRNO=4 -fpsl counter.vhd counter.psl -e counter
```

When running the script, does it detect an error?

Now, modify the counter.psl file, by adding an `assume rst_i;`, and rerun the script.

What happens?

Depth of BMC

For the various exercises you had the opportunity to work on, what depth would you choose for bounded model checking?

- Counter
- Timer
- Elevator v1
- Elevator v2
- Elevator v3
- AXI module