

Satisfiability Modulo Theories

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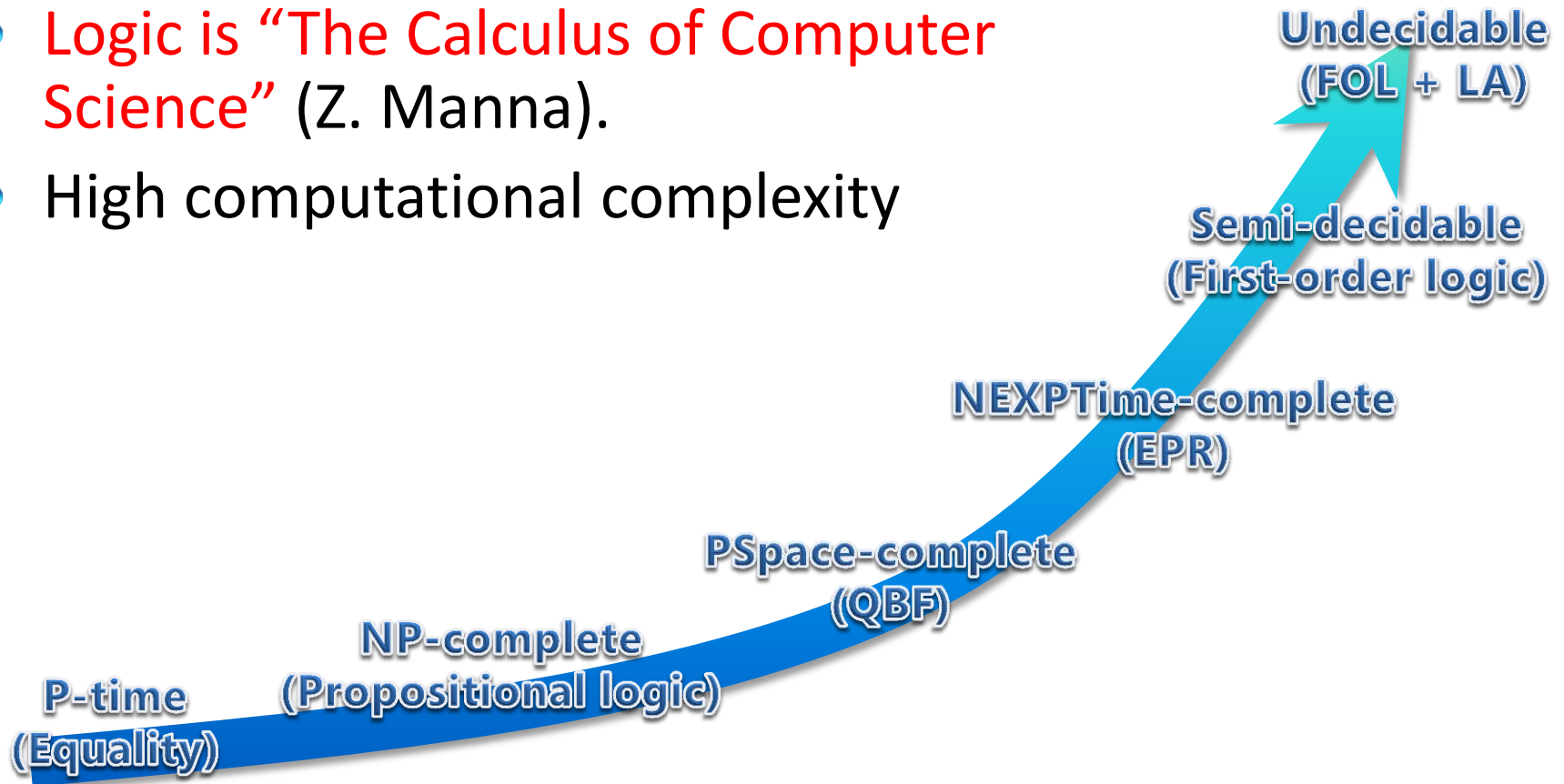
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Symbolic Reasoning

Verification/Analysis tools
need some form of
Symbolic Reasoning

Symbolic Reasoning

- Logic is “The Calculus of Computer Science” (Z. Manna).
- High computational complexity



Applications

Test case generation

Verifying Compilers

Predicate Abstraction

Invariant Generation

Type Checking

Model Based Testing

Some Applications @ Microsoft



The Spec#
Programming System

HAVOC



Hyper-V

Microsoft Virtualization 

Terminator T-2

VCC

NModel



Vigilante

SpecExplorer



F7

SAGE

Test case generation

```
unsigned GCD(x, y) {
```

```
  requires(y > 0);
```

```
  while (true) {
```

```
    unsigned m = x % y;
```

```
    if (m == 0) return y;
```

```
    x = y;
```

```
    y = m;
```

```
  }
```

```
}
```

SSA

$(y_0 > 0)$ and

$(m_0 = x_0 \% y_0)$ and

not $(m_0 = 0)$ and

$(x_1 = y_0)$ and

$(y_1 = m_0)$ and

$(m_1 = x_1 \% y_1)$ and

$(m_1 = 0)$

Solver

$x_0 = 2$

$y_0 = 4$

$m_0 = 2$

$x_1 = 4$

$y_1 = 2$

$m_1 = 0$

We want a trace where the loop is executed twice.

Type checking

Signature:

$\text{div} : \text{int}, \{ x : \text{int} \mid x \neq 0 \} \rightarrow \text{int}$

Call site:

if $a \leq 1$ and $a \leq b$ then
 return $\text{div}(a, b)$

Verification condition

$a \leq 1$ and $a \leq b$ implies $b \neq 0$



Subtype

Satisfiability Modulo Theories (SMT)

**Is formula F satisfiable
modulo theory T ?**

SMT solvers have specialized
algorithms for T

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Array Theory

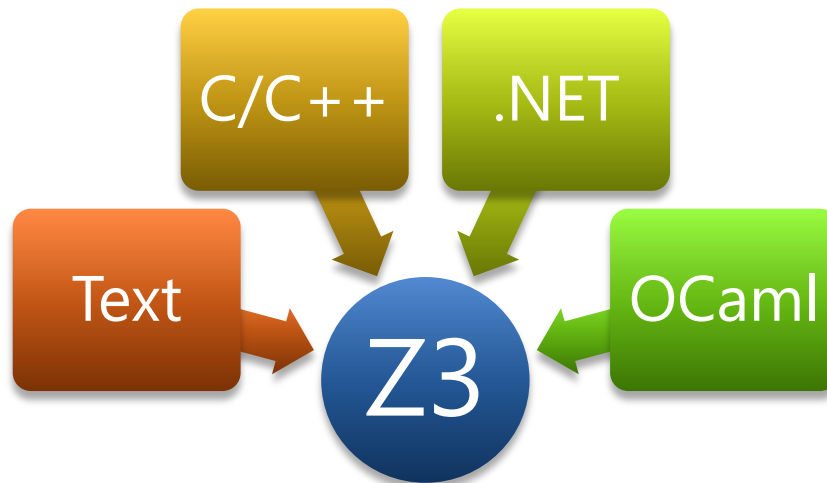
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Uninterpreted
Functions

SMT@Microsoft: Solver

- Z3 is a new solver developed at Microsoft Research.
- Development/Research driven by internal customers.
- Free for academic research.
- Interfaces:



- <http://research.microsoft.com/projects/z3>

Ground formulas

For most SMT solvers: F is a set of ground formulas

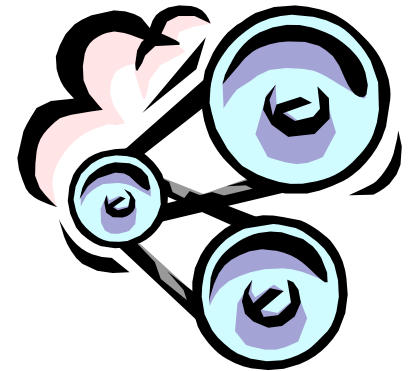
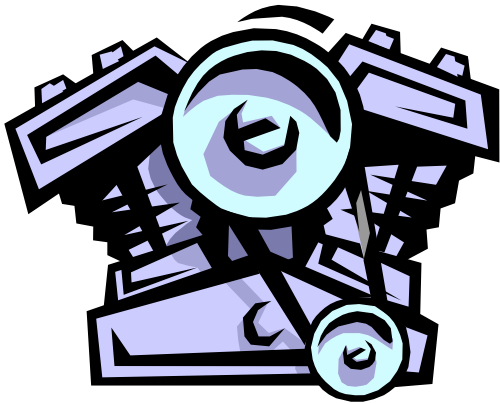
Many Applications

Bounded Model Checking

Test-Case Generation

Little Engines of Proof

An SMT Solver is a collection of
Little Engines of Proof



Deciding Equality

$a = b, b = c, d = e, b = s, d = t, a \neq e, a \neq s$

a

b

c

d

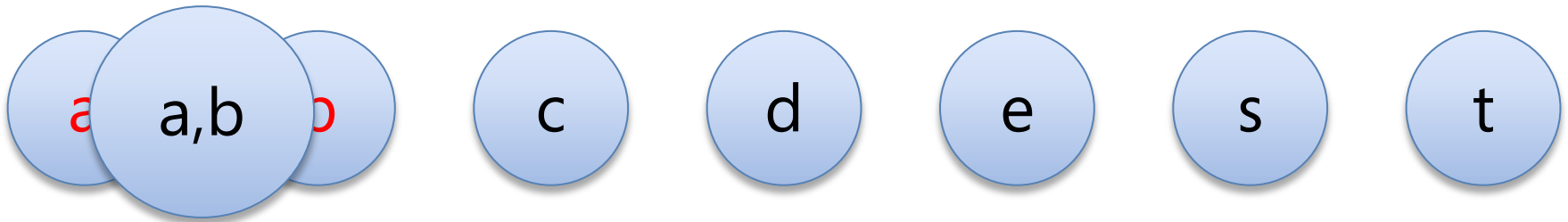
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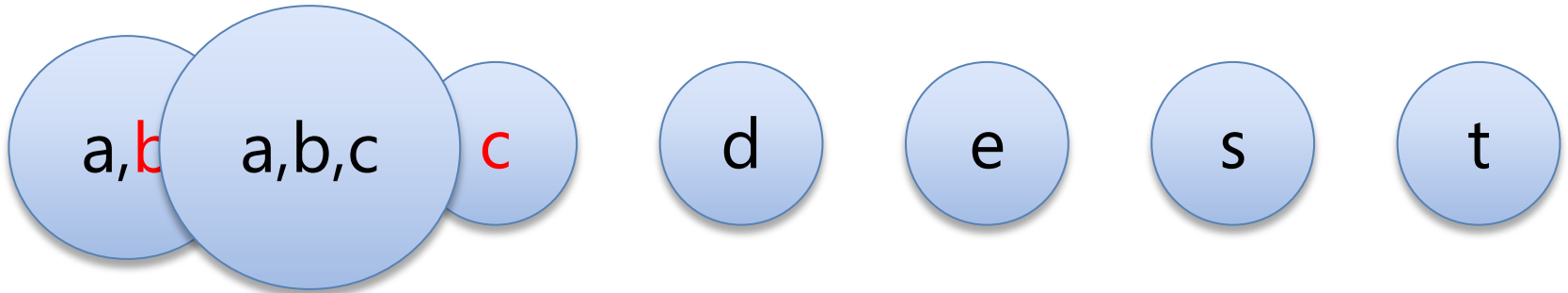
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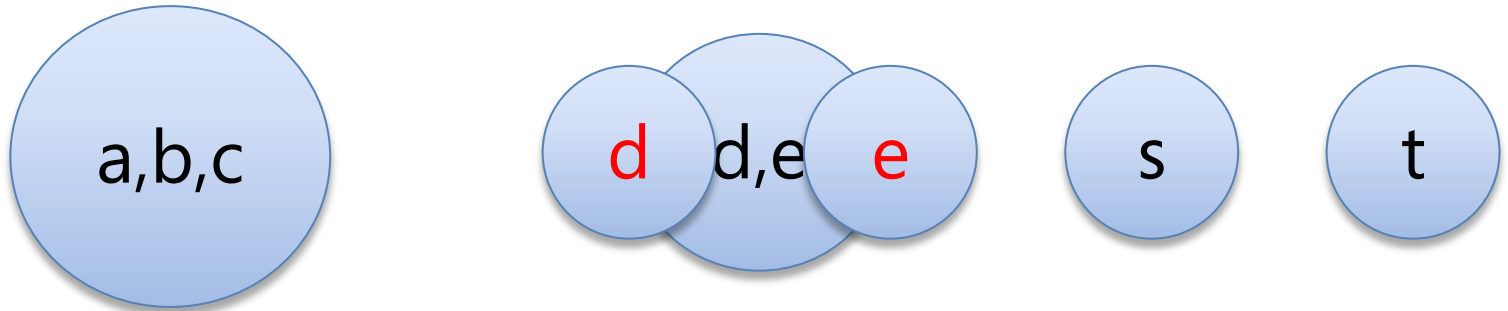
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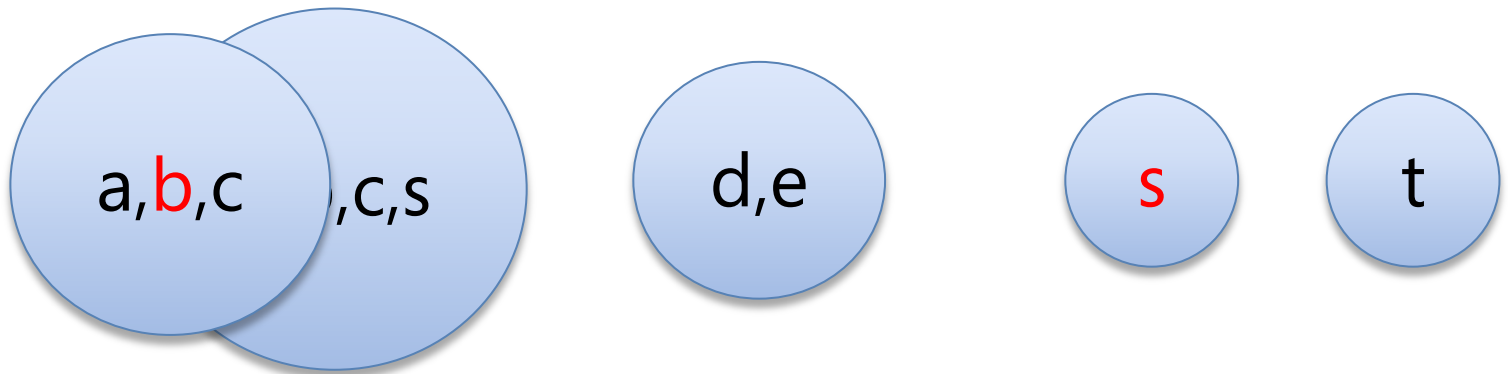
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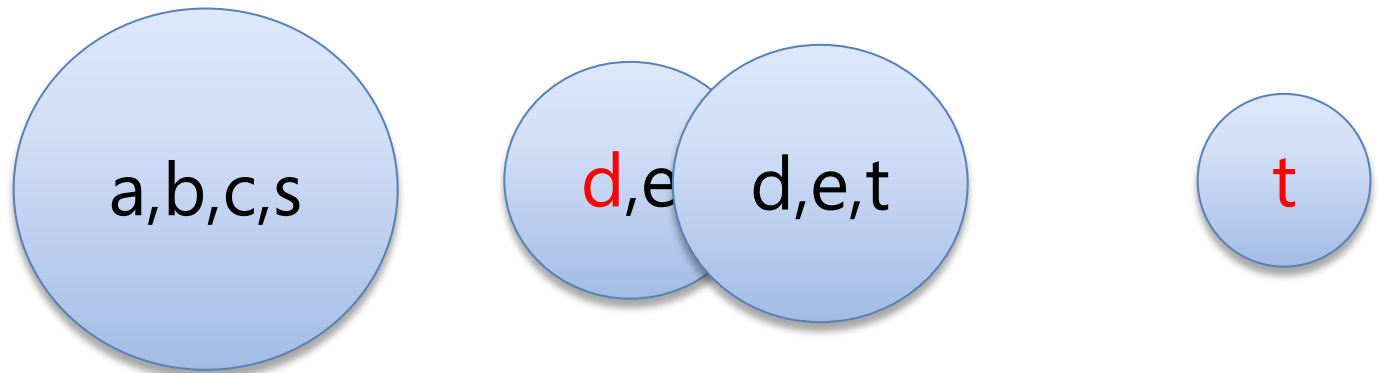
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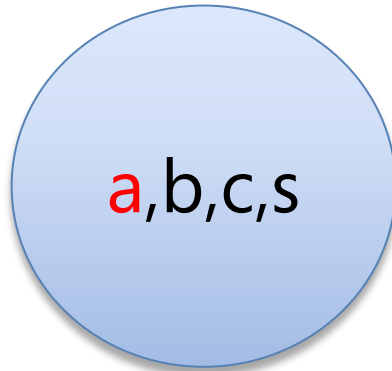
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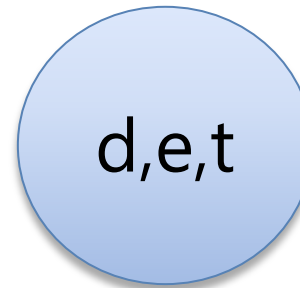
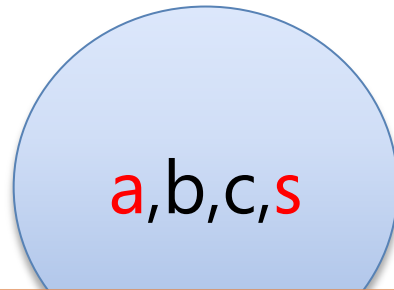
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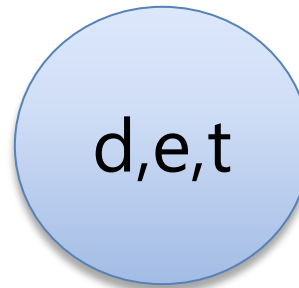
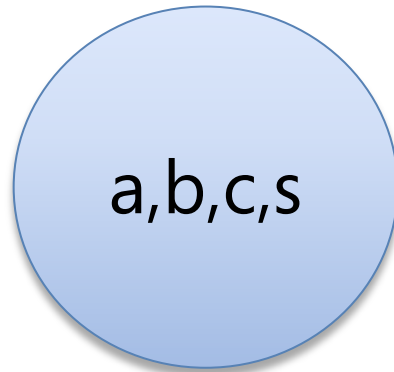
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Unsatisfiable

Deciding Equality

$$a = b, b = c, d = e, b = s, d = t, a \neq e$$



Model

$$|M| = \{ 0, 1 \}$$

$$M(a) = M(b) = M(c) = M(s) = 0$$

$$M(d) = M(e) = M(t) = 1$$

Deciding Equality + (uninterpreted) Functions

$$a = b, b = c, d = e, b = s, d = t, f(a, g(d)) \neq f(b, g(e))$$

a, b, c, s

d, e, t

$g(d)$

$g(e)$

$f(a, g(d))$

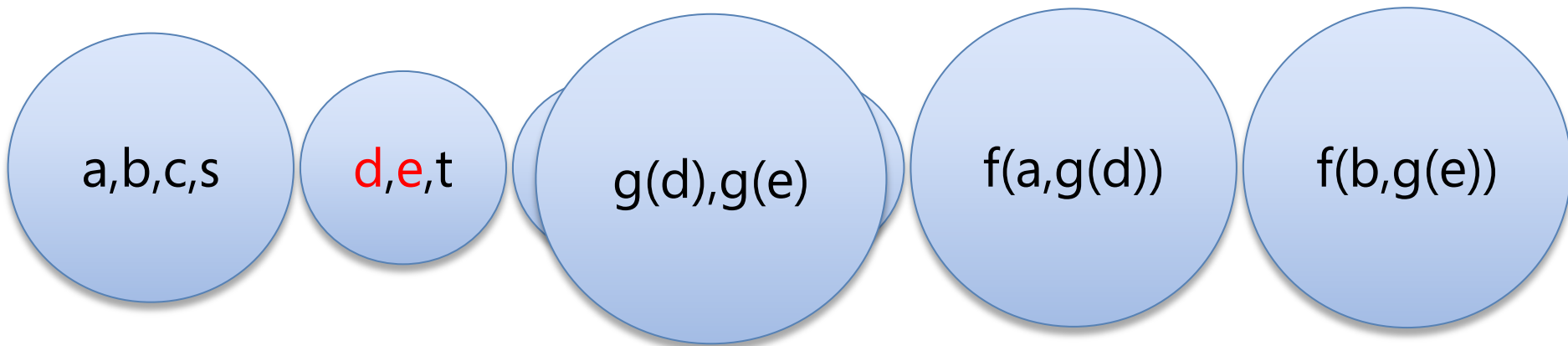
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(fully shared) DAGs for representing terms
Union-find data-structure + Congruence Closure
 $O(n \log n)$

Difference Logic: $a - b \leq 5$

Very useful in practice!

Most arithmetical constraints in software verification/analysis are in this fragment.

$$x := x + 1$$



$$x_1 = x_0 + 1$$



$$x_1 - x_0 \leq 1, x_0 - x_1 \leq -1$$

Job shop scheduling

$d_{i,j}$	Machine 1	Machine 2
Job 1	2	1
Job 2	3	1
Job 3	2	3

$max = 8$

Solution

$t_{1,1} = 5, t_{1,2} = 7, t_{2,1} = 2,$
 $t_{2,2} = 6, t_{3,1} = 0, t_{3,2} = 3$

Encoding

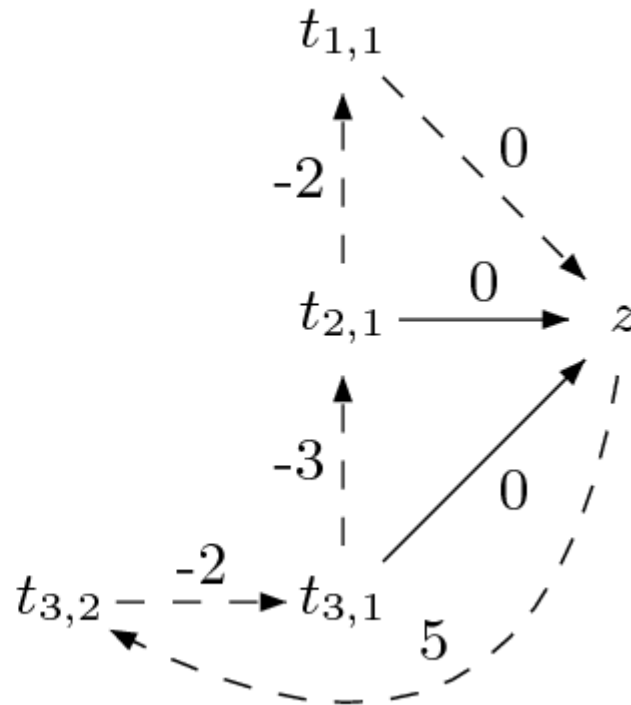
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Difference Logic

Chasing negative cycles!

Algorithms based on Bellman-Ford ($O(mn)$).

$$\begin{array}{llll} z & - & t_{1,1} & \leq 0 \\ z & - & t_{2,1} & \leq 0 \\ z & - & t_{3,1} & \leq 0 \\ t_{3,2} & - & z & \leq 5 \\ t_{3,1} & - & t_{3,2} & \leq -2 \\ t_{2,1} & - & t_{3,1} & \leq -3 \\ t_{1,1} & - & t_{2,1} & \leq -2 \end{array}$$



Combining Solvers

In practice, we need a combination of theory solvers.

Nelson-Oppen combination method.

Reduction techniques.

Model-based theory combination.

SAT (propositional checkers): Case Analysis

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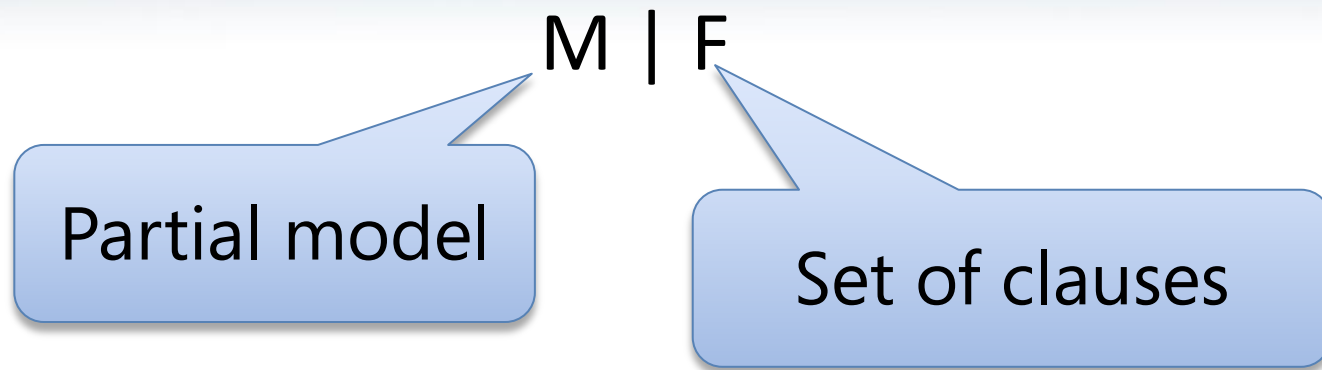
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DPLL



DPLL

- Guessing

$$p \mid p \vee q, \neg q \vee r$$



$$p, \neg q \mid p \vee q, \neg q \vee r$$

DPLL

- Deducing

$$p \mid p \vee q, \neg p \vee s$$

$$p, s \mid p \vee q, \neg p \vee s$$

DPLL

- Backtracking

$p, \neg s, q \mid p \vee q, s \vee q, \neg p \vee \neg q$



$p, s \mid p \vee q, s \vee q, \neg p \vee \neg q$

Modern DPLL

- Efficient indexing (two-watch literal)
- Non-chronological backtracking (backjumping)
- Lemma learning
- ...

SAT + Theory solvers

Basic Idea

$$x \geq 0, y = x + 1, (y > 2 \vee y < 1)$$



Abstract (aka “naming” atoms)

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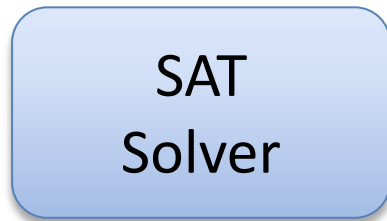
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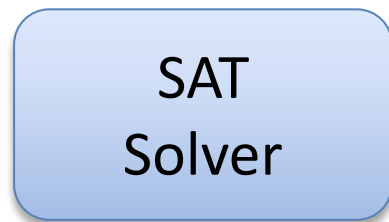
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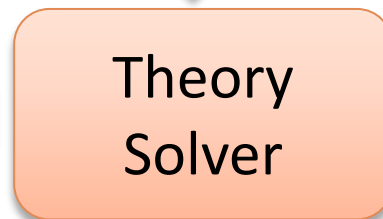


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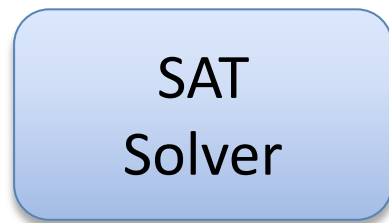
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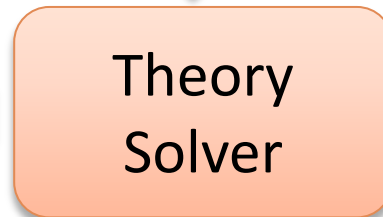


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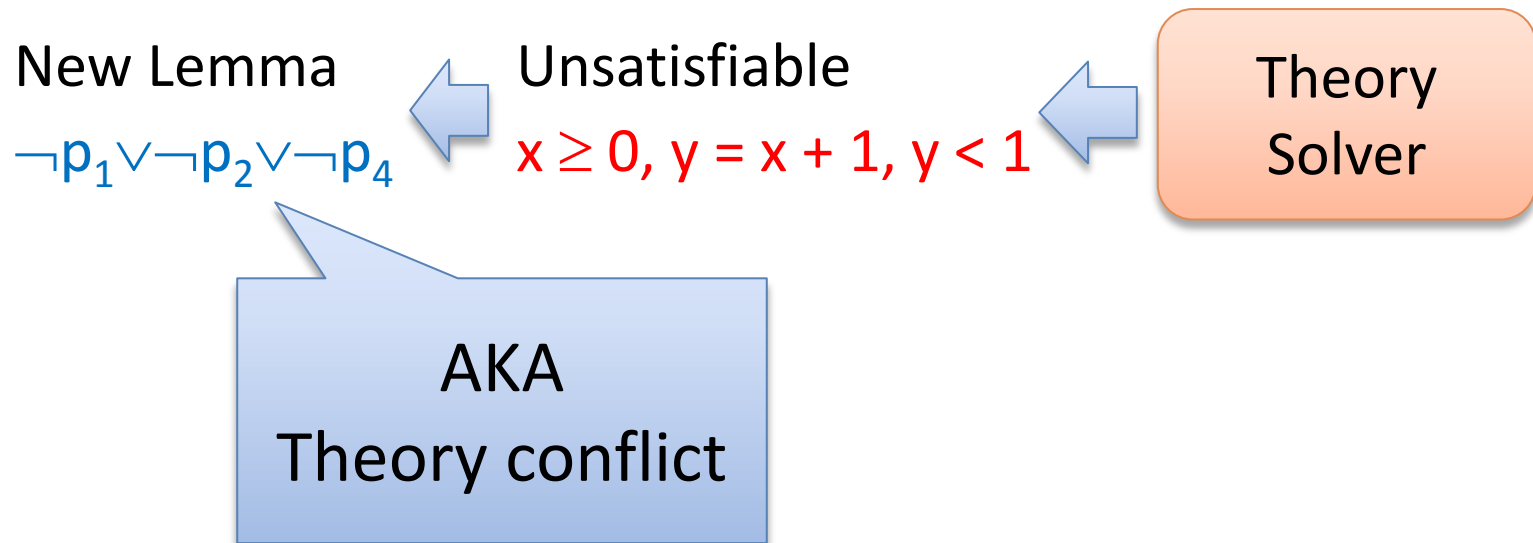
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New Lemma

$$\neg p_1 \vee \neg p_2 \vee \neg p_4$$

SAT + Theory solvers



SAT + Theory solvers: Main loop

```
procedure SmtSolver(F)
  ( $F_p$ , M) := Abstract(F)
  loop
    ( $R$ , A) := SAT_solver( $F_p$ )
    if  $R$  = UNSAT then return UNSAT
    S := Concretize(A, M)
    ( $R$ , S') := Theory_solver(S)
    if  $R$  = SAT then return SAT
    L := New_Lemma(S', M)
    Add L to  $F_p$ 
```

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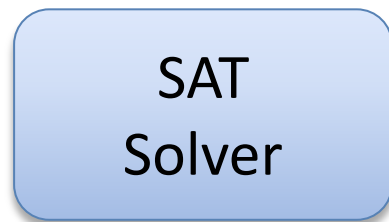
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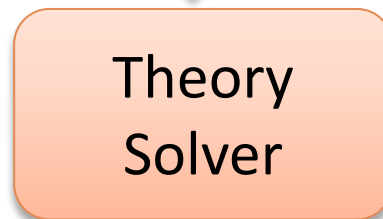
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A: Assignment

$$p_1, p_2, \neg p_3, p_4$$

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S': Unsatisfiable

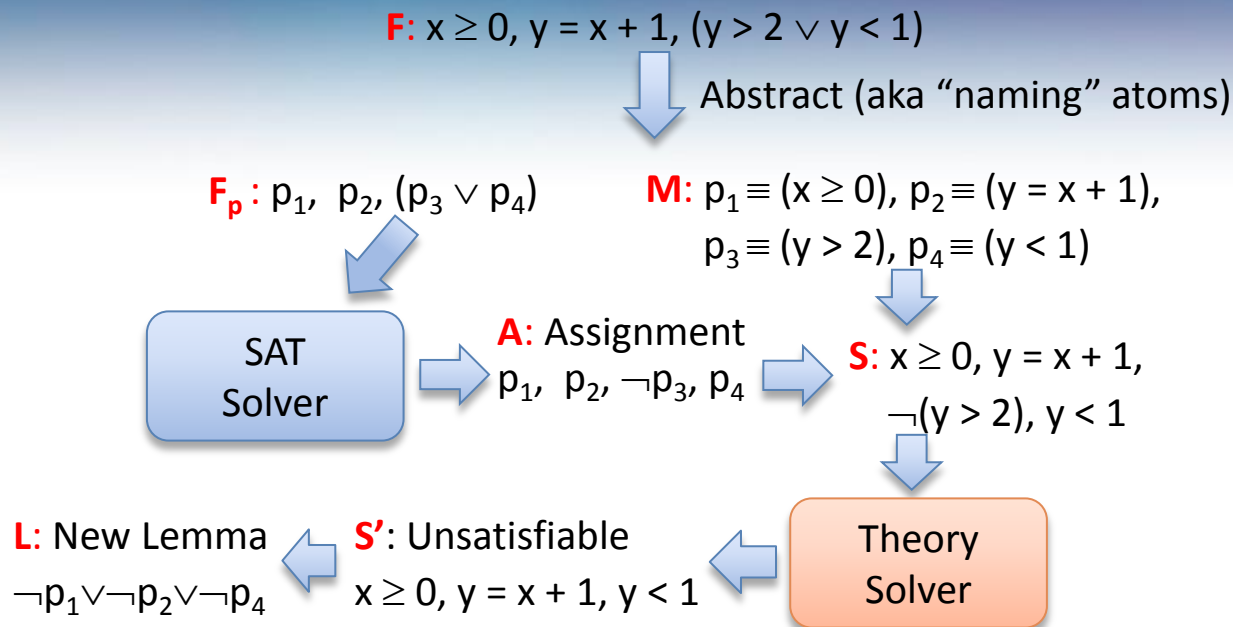
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L: New Lemma

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SAT + Theory solvers



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L := New_Lemma(**S**, **M**)

Add **L** to **F_p**

“Lazy translation”
to
DNF

SAT + Theory solvers

State-of-the-art SMT solvers implement many improvements.

SAT + Theory solvers

Incrementality

Send the literals to the Theory solver as they are assigned by the SAT solver

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Partial assignment is already
Theory inconsistent.

SAT + Theory solvers

Efficient Backtracking

We don't want to restart from scratch after each backtracking operation.

SAT + Theory solvers

Efficient Lemma Generation (computing a small S')

Avoid lemmas containing redundant literals.

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Imprecise Lemma

SAT + Theory solvers

Theory Propagation

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Tradeoff between precision \times performance.

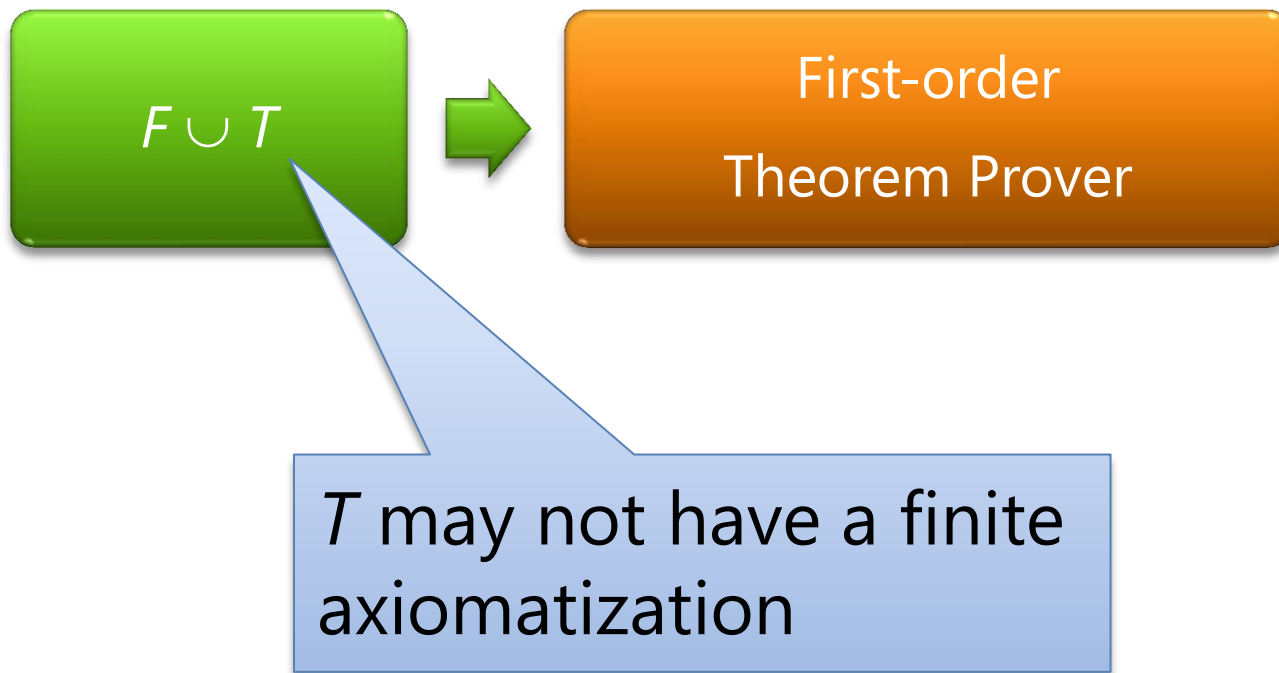
SMT x SAT

For some theories, SMT can be reduced to SAT

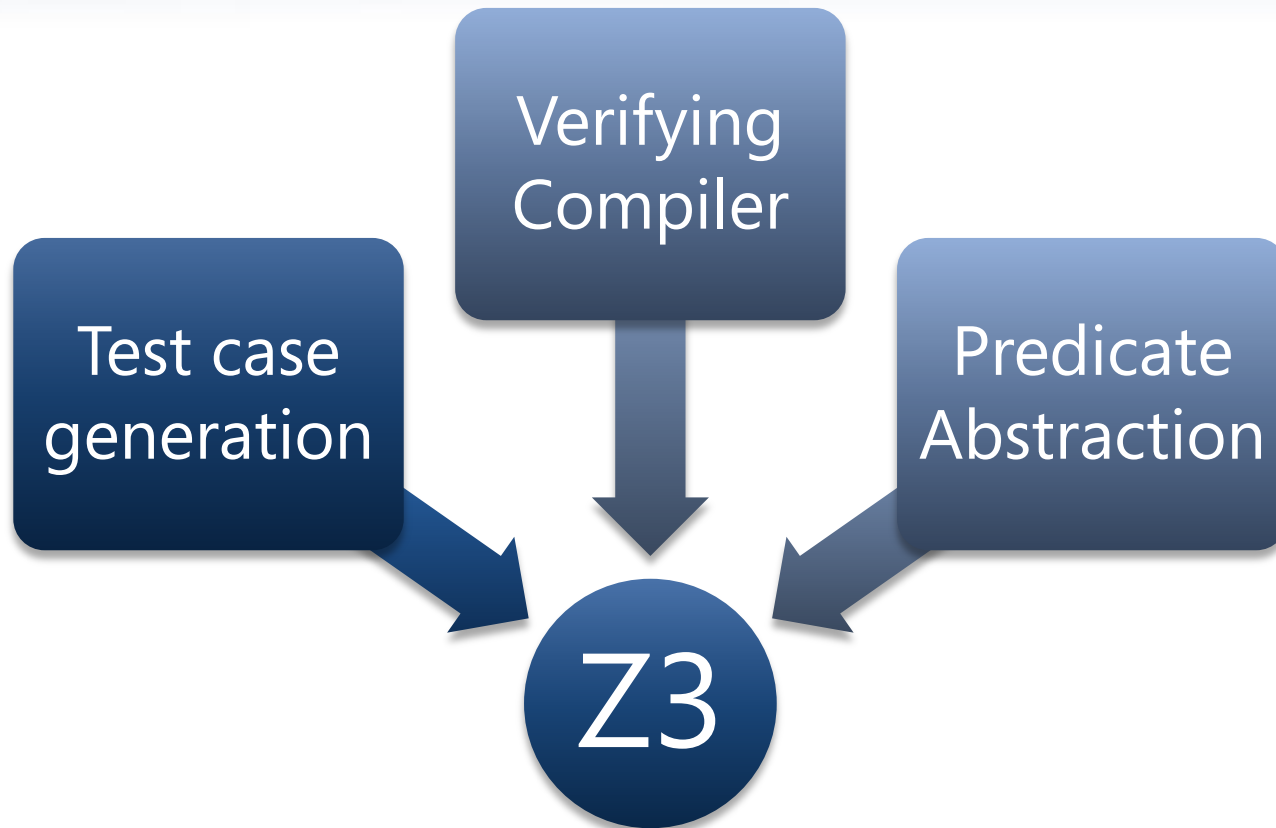
Higher level of abstraction

$$\text{bvmul}_{32}(a,b) = \text{bvmul}_{32}(b,a)$$

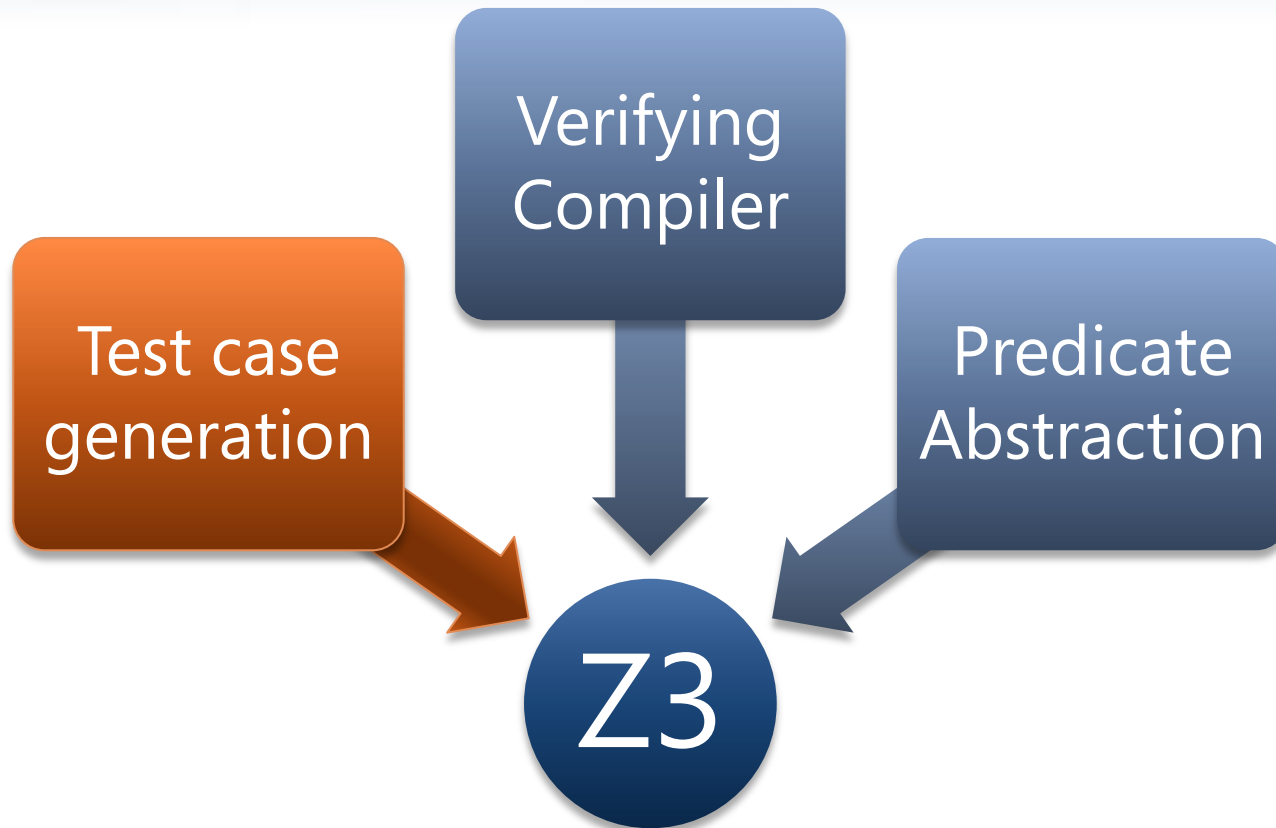
SMT x First-order provers



SMT: Some Applications



SMT: Some Applications



Test-case generation

- Test (correctness + usability) is 95% of the deal:
 - Dev/Test is 1-1 in products.
 - Developers are responsible for unit tests.
- Tools:
 - Annotations and static analysis (SAL + ESP)
 - File Fuzzing
 - Unit test case generation

Security is critical

- Security bugs can be very expensive:
 - Cost of each MS Security Bulletin: \$600k to \$Millions.
 - Cost due to worms: \$Billions.
 - **The real victim is the customer.**
- Most security exploits are initiated via files or packets.
 - Ex: Internet Explorer parses dozens of file formats.
- Security testing: **hunting for million dollar bugs**
 - Write A/V
 - Read A/V
 - Null pointer dereference
 - Division by zero

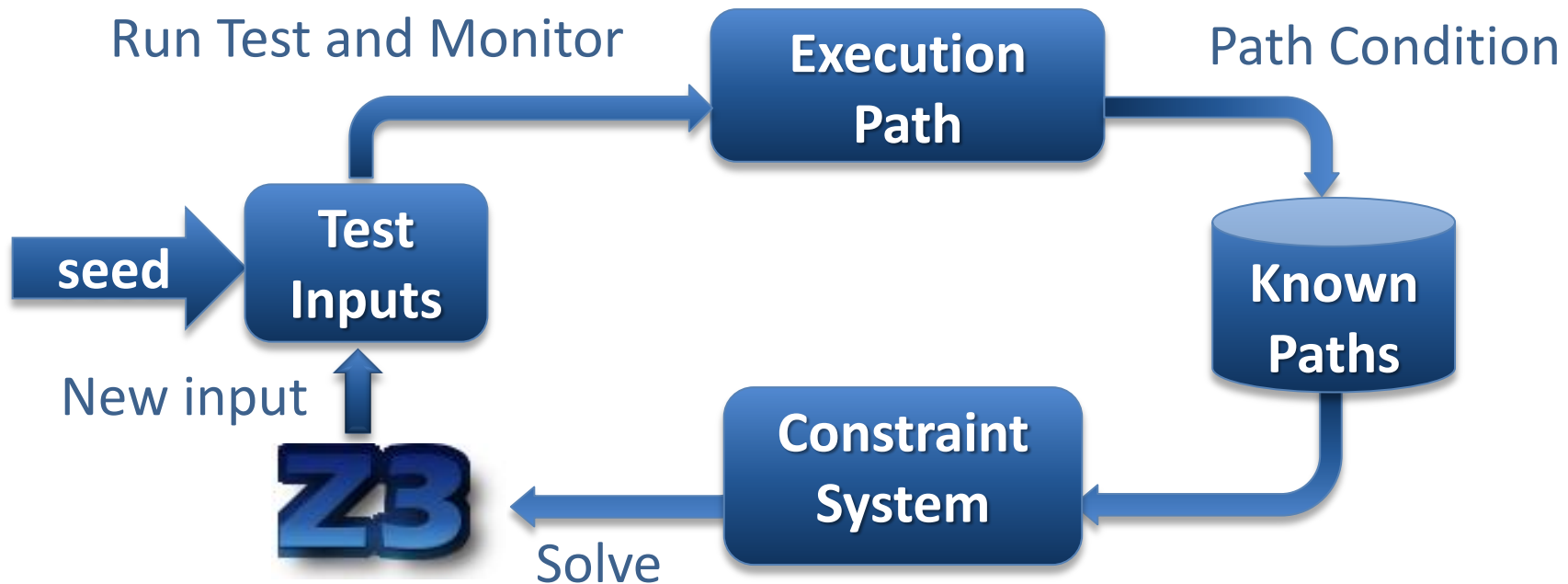


Hunting for Security Bugs.

- Two main techniques used by “*black hats*”:
 - Code inspection (of binaries).
 - *Black box fuzz testing.*
- **Black box** fuzz testing:
 - A form of black box random testing.
 - Randomly *fuzz* (=modify) a well formed input.
 - Grammar-based fuzzing: rules to encode how to fuzz.
- **Heavily** used in security testing
 - At MS: several internal tools.
 - Conceptually simple yet effective in practice



Directed Automated Random Testing (DART)



DARTish projects at Microsoft

PEX

Implements DART for .NET.

SAGE

Implements DART for x86 binaries.

YOGI

Implements DART to check the feasibility of program paths generated statically using a SLAM-like tool.

Vigilante

Partially implements DART to dynamically generate worm filters.

What is *Pex*?

- Test input generator
 - Pex starts from parameterized unit tests
 - Generated tests are emitted as traditional unit tests

ArrayList: The Spec

The image shows a screenshot of the MSDN .NET Framework Developer Center website. The page is titled ".NET Framework Class Library" and features the method **ArrayList.Add Method**. The page content includes a description of the method, its namespace, assembly, and remarks. The remarks section explains that the method accepts a null reference (Nothing in Visual Basic) as a valid value and allows duplicate elements. It also details the capacity behavior: if the count equals the capacity, the capacity is increased by automatically reallocating the internal array; if the count is less than the capacity, the method is an O(1) operation, but it becomes an O(n) operation if the capacity needs to be increased to accommodate the new element.

ArrayList.Add Method

Adds an object to the end of the [ArrayList](#).

Namespace: [System.Collections](#)
Assembly: mscorlib (in mscorlib.dll)

Remarks

[ArrayList](#) accepts a null reference (**Nothing** in Visual Basic) as a valid value and allows duplicate elements.

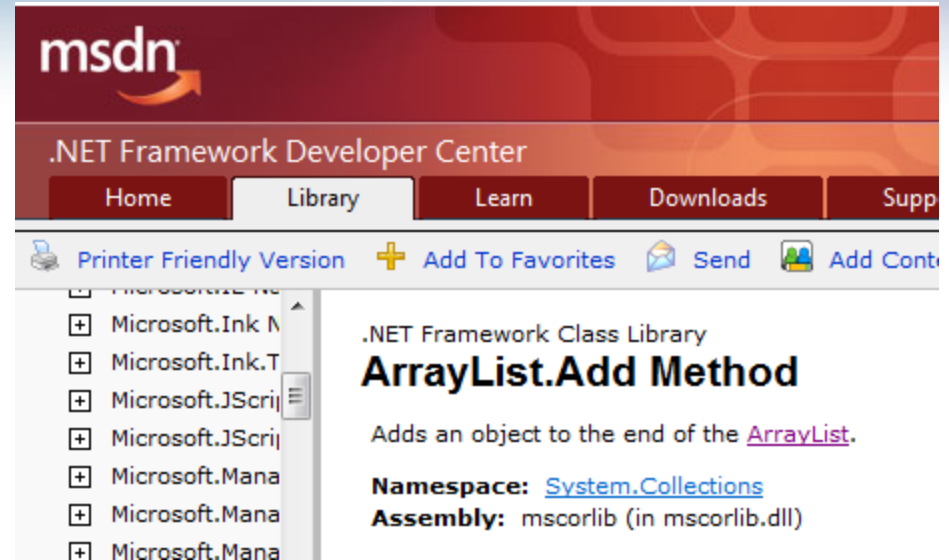
If [Count](#) already equals [Capacity](#), the capacity of the [ArrayList](#) is increased by automatically reallocating the internal array, and the existing elements are copied to the new array before the new element is added.

If [Count](#) is less than [Capacity](#), this method is an O(1) operation. If the capacity needs to be increased to accommodate the new element, this method becomes an O(n) operation, where *n* is [Count](#).

ArrayList: AddItem Test

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



ArrayList: Starting Pex...

```
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}
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```
class ArrayList {  
    object[] items;  
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    }  
  
    void Add(object item) {  
        if (count == items.Length)  
            ResizeArray();  
  
        items[this.count++] = item; }  
    ...  
}
```

Inputs

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); }  
}
```

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class ArrayList {  
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        items = new object[capacity];  
    }  
  
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        items[this.count++] = item; }  
    ...  
}
```

Inputs
(0,null)

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class ArrayList {  
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    int count;  
  
    ArrayList(int capacity) {  
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        items = new object[capacity];  
    }  
  
    void Add(object item) {  
        if (count == items.Length)  
            ResizeArray();  
  
        items[this.count++] = item; }  
    ...  
}
```

`c < 0` → false

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

ArrayList: Run 1, (0,null)

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    [PexMethod]  
    void AddItem(int c, object item) {  
        var list = new ArrayList(c);  
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    }  
  
    void Add(object item) {  
        if (count == items.Length)  
            ResizeArray();  
  
        items[this.count++] = item; }  
    ...  
}
```

0 == c → true

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

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); }  
}
```

item == item → true

```
class ArrayList {  
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    items = new object[capacity];  
  }  
  
  void Add(object item) {  
    if (count == items.Length)  
      ResizeArray();  
  
    items[this.count++] = item; }  
  ...  
}
```

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

ArrayList: Picking the next branch to cover

```
class ArrayListTest {  
  [PexMethod]  
  void AddItem(int c, object item) {  
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```

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

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



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ArrayList: Solve constraints using SMT solver

```
class ArrayListTest {  
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}
```

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

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



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) {  
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    items = new object[capacity];  
  }  
  
  void Add(object item) {  
    if (count == items.Length)  
      ResizeArray();  
  
    items[this.count++] = item; }  
  ...  
}
```

$0 == c \rightarrow \text{false}$

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);  
    }  
}
```

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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; }  
    ...  
}
```

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



Z3

ArrayList: Run 3, (-1, null)

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

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    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
c<0	(-1,null)	



ArrayList: Run 3, (-1, null)

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

$c < 0 \rightarrow \text{true}$

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

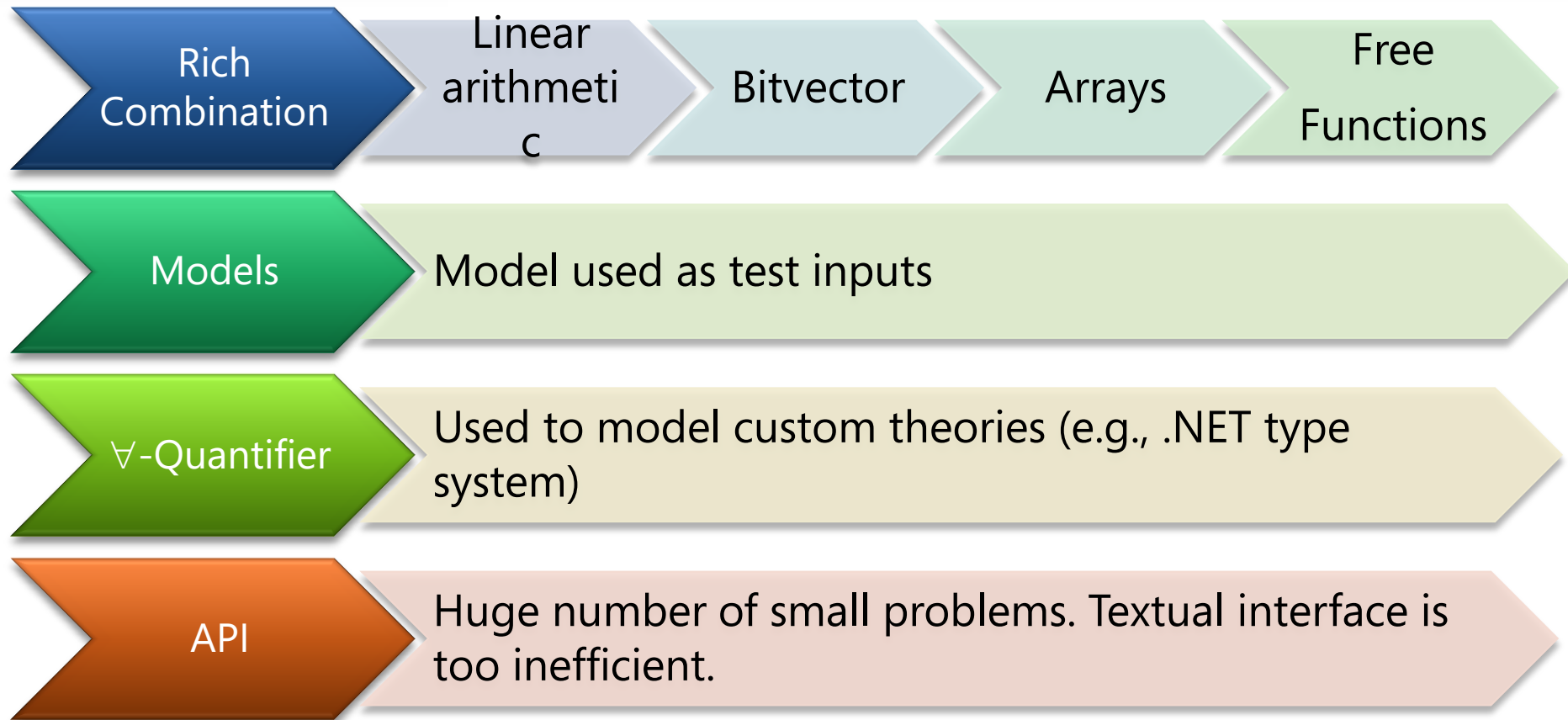
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PEX \leftrightarrow Z3



PEX \leftrightarrow Z3: Incrementality

- Pex “sends” several similar formulas to Z3.
- Plus: backtracking primitives in the Z3 API.
 - **push**
 - **pop**
- Reuse (some) lemmas.

PEX \leftrightarrow Z3: Small models

- **Given** a set of constraints C , find a model M that **minimizes** the interpretation for x_0, \dots, x_n .
- In the ArrayList example:
 - Why is the model where $c = 2147483648$ less desirable than the model with $c = 1$?

$!(c < 0) \ \&\& \ 0 \neq c$

- Simple solution:

Assert C

while satisfiable

 Peek x_i such that $M[x_i]$ is big

 Assert $x_i < n$, where n is a small constant

Return last found model

PEX \leftrightarrow Z3: Small models

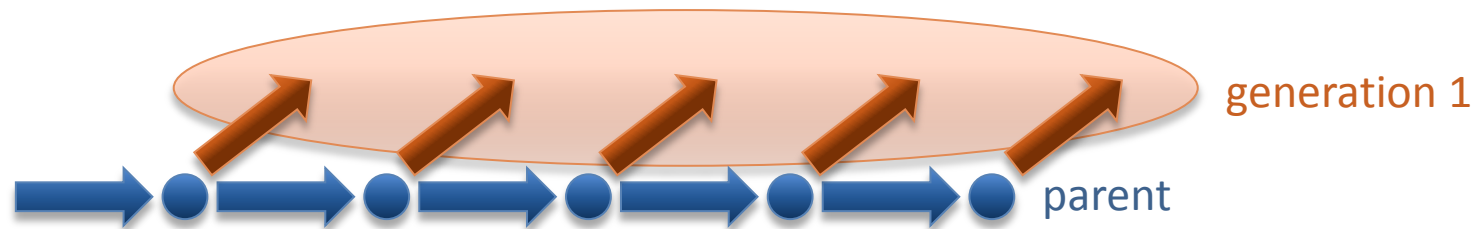
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$!(c < 0) \ \&\& \ 0 \neq c$

- **Refinement:**
 - Eager solution stops as soon as the system becomes unsatisfiable.
 - A “bad” choice (peek x_i) may prevent us from finding a good solution.
 - Use **push** and **pop** to retract “bad” choices.

SAGE

- Apply DART to large applications (not units).
- Start with well-formed input (not random).
- Combine with generational search (not DFS).
 - Negate 1-by-1 each constraint in a path constraint.
 - Generate many children for each parent run.



Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....  
00000010h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....  
00000020h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....  
00000030h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....  
00000040h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....  
00000050h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....  
00000060h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 0 – seed file

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; RIFE.....
00000010h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000020h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000030h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000040h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000050h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000060h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 1

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF....***.....
00000010h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000020h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000030h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000040h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000050h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000060h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 2

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 3D 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF*** ....
00000010h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000020h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000030h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000040h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000050h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000060h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 3

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 3D 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF=...*** ....
00000010h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000020h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000030h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 68 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; ....trh.....
00000040h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000050h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000060h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 4

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 3D 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF=...*** ....
00000010h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000020h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000030h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 68 00 00 00 00 76 69 64 73 ; ....strh... vids
00000040h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000050h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000060h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 5

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations


- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 3D 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF=...*** ....
00000010h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000020h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000030h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 68 00 00 00 00 76 69 64 73 ; ....strh....vids
00000040h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 66 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; ....strf.....
00000050h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000060h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 6

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 3D 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF=...*** ....
00000010h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000020h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000030h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 68 00 00 00 00 76 69 64 73 ; ....strh....vids
00000040h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 66 00 00 00 00 28 00 00 00 ; ....strf.......
00000050h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000060h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 7

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 3D 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF=...*** ....
00000010h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000020h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000030h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 68 00 00 00 00 76 69 64 73 ; ....strh....vids
00000040h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 66 00 00 00 00 28 00 00 00 ; ....strf....(...)
00000050h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 C9 9D E4 4E ; .....EANI
00000060h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 8

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 3D 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF=...*** ....
00000010h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000020h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000030h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 68 00 00 00 00 76 69 64 73 ; ....strh....vids
00000040h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 66 00 00 00 00 28 00 00 00 ; ....strf....(...)
00000050h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 01 00 00 ; .....
00000060h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 9

Zero to Crash in 10 Generations

- Starting with 100 zero bytes ...
- SAGE generates a crashing test for Media1 parser

```
00000000h: 52 49 46 46 3D 00 00 00 00 ** ** ** 20 00 00 00 00 ; RIFF=...*** ....
00000010h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000020h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ; .....
00000030h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 68 00 00 00 00 76 69 64 73 ; ....strh....vids
00000040h: 00 00 00 00 73 74 72 66 B2 75 76 3A 28 00 00 00 ; ....stri2uv:(...
00000050h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 01 00 00 ; .....
00000060h: 00 00 00 00 ; ....
```

Generation 10 – CRASH

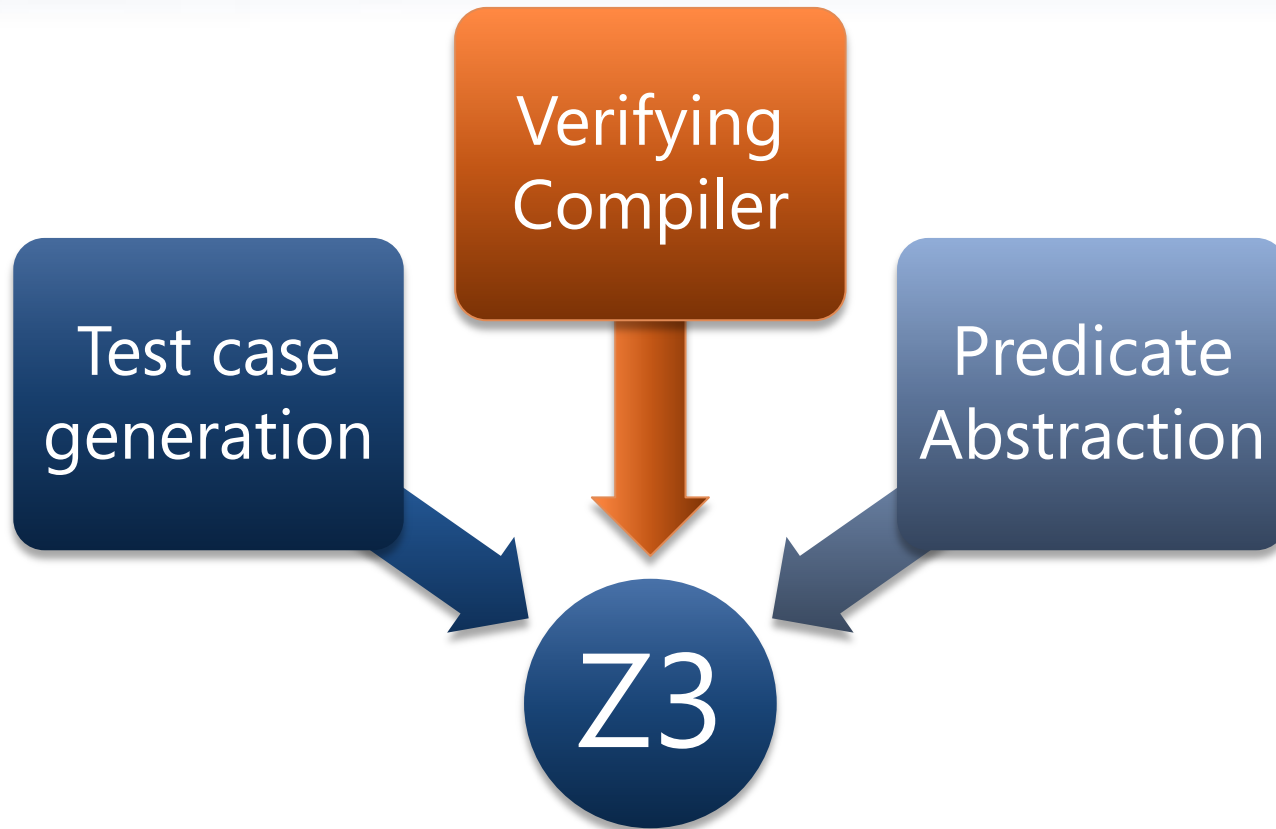
SAGE (cont.)

- SAGE is very effective at finding bugs.
- Works on large applications.
- Fully automated
- Easy to deploy (x86 analysis – any language)
- Used in various groups inside Microsoft
- Powered by Z3.

SAGE \leftrightarrow Z3

- Formulas are usually big conjunctions.
- SAGE uses only the bitvector and array theories.
- Pre-processing step has a huge performance impact.
 - Eliminate variables.
 - Simplify formulas.
- Early unsat detection.

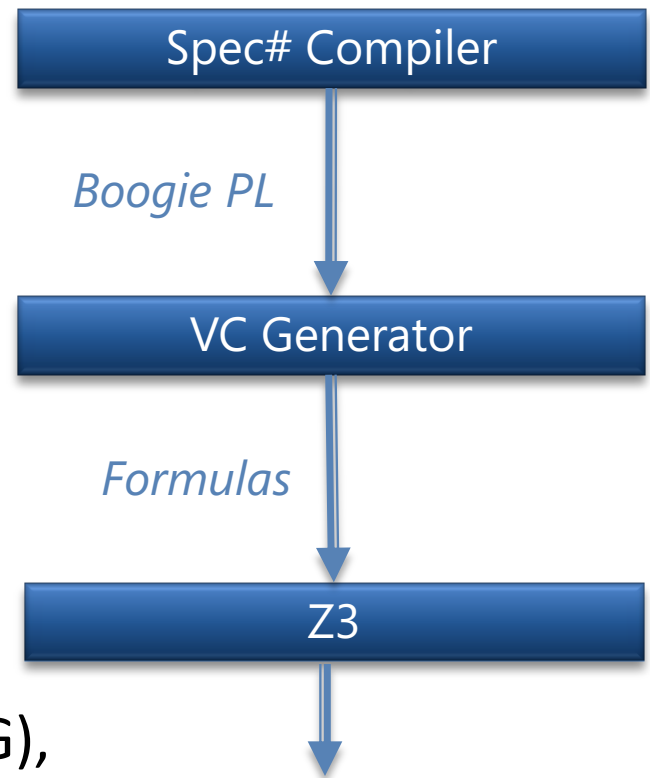
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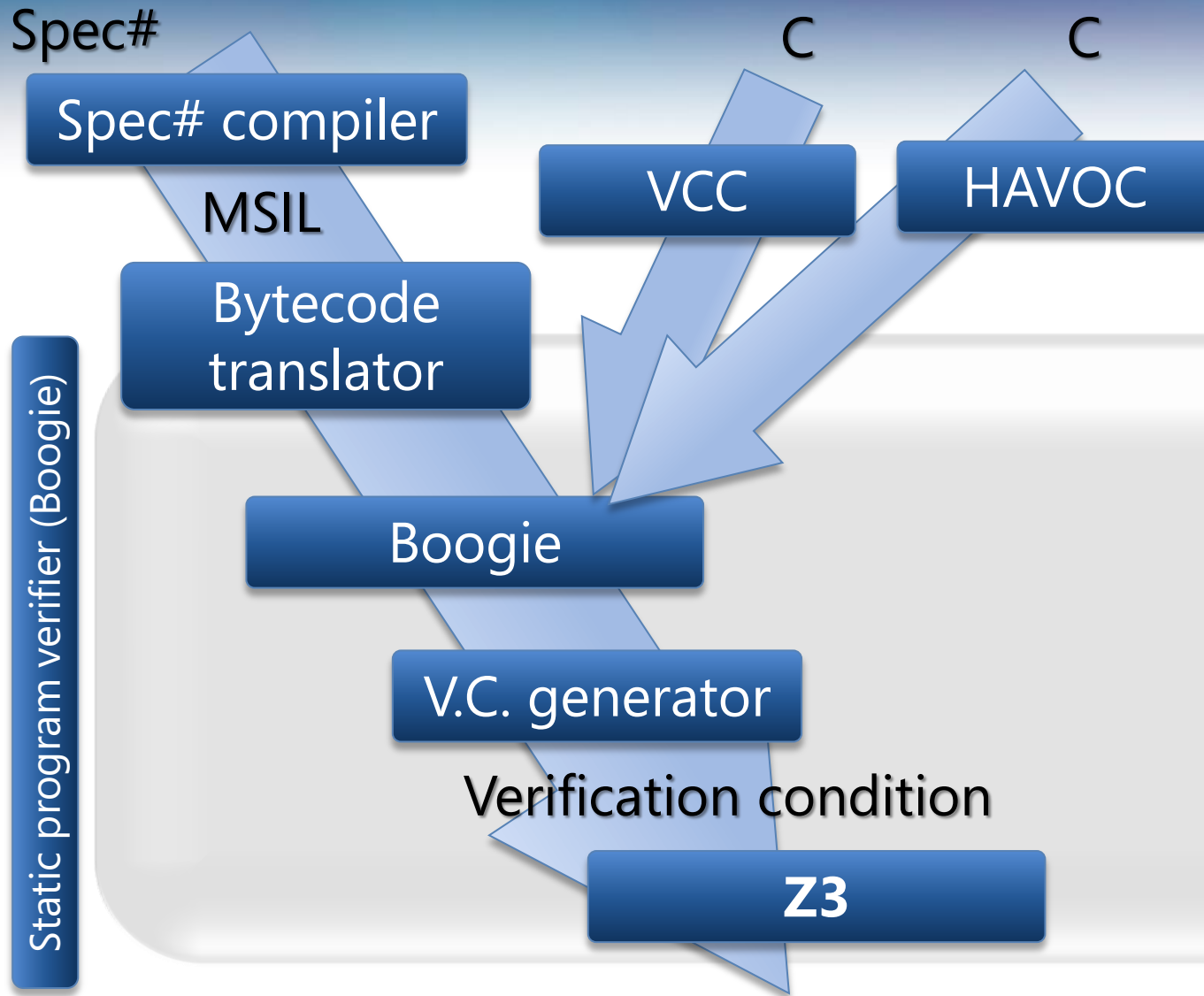
Spec# Approach for a Verifying Compiler

- *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

Spec# (annotated C#)



Verification architecture



HAVOC

- A tool for specifying and checking properties of systems software written in C.
- It also translates annotated C into Boogie PL.
- It allows the expression of *richer properties about the program heap and data structures* such as linked lists and arrays.
- HAVOC is being used to specify and check:
 - Complex locking protocols over heap-allocated data structures in Windows.
 - Properties of collections such as IRP queues in device drivers.
 - Correctness properties of custom storage allocators.

A Verifying C Compiler

- VCC translates an *annotated C program* into a *Boogie PL* program.
- A C-ish memory model
 - Abstract heaps
 - Bit-level precision
- Microsoft Hypervisor: verification grand challenge.

Hypervisor: A Manhattan Project



- **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 verification grand challenge

Hypervisor: Some Statistics

- VCs have several Mb
- Thousands of non ground clauses
- Developers are willing to wait at most 5 min per VC

Main Challenge

- Quantifiers, quantifiers, quantifiers, ...
- Modeling the runtime

$\forall h, o, f:$

$\text{IsHeap}(h) \wedge o \neq \text{null} \wedge \text{read}(h, o, \text{alloc}) = t$

\Rightarrow

$\text{read}(h, o, f) = \text{null} \vee \text{read}(h, \text{read}(h, o, f), \text{alloc}) = t$

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$\forall o, f:$

$$o \neq \text{null} \wedge \text{read}(h_0, o, \text{alloc}) = t \Rightarrow \\ \text{read}(h_1, o, f) = \text{read}(h_0, o, f) \vee (o, f) \in M$$

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$$\forall i,j: i \leq j \Rightarrow \text{read}(a,i) \leq \text{read}(b,j)$$

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- Theories
 - $\forall x: p(x,x)$
 - $\forall x,y,z: p(x,y), p(y,z) \Rightarrow p(x,z)$
 - $\forall x,y: p(x,y), p(y,x) \Rightarrow x = y$

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- Theories
- Solver must be fast in satisfiable instances.



We want to find bugs!

Bad news

**There is no sound and refutationally complete
procedure for
linear integer arithmetic + free function symbols**

Many Approaches

Heuristic quantifier instantiation

Combining SMT with Saturation provers

Complete quantifier instantiation

Decidable fragments

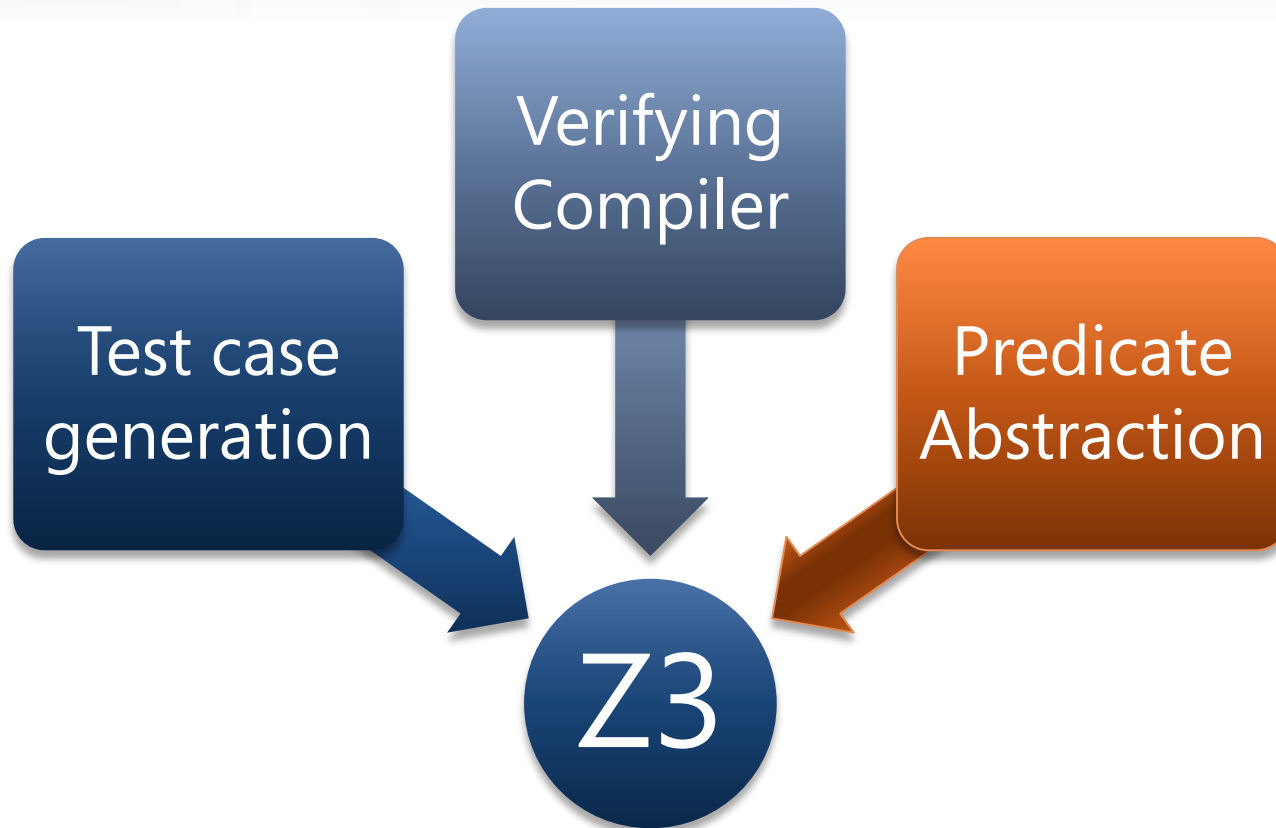
Model based quantifier instantiation

Challenge: Robustness

- Standard complain

“I made a small modification in my Spec, and Z3 is timingout”
- This also happens with SAT solvers (NP-complete)
- In our case, the problems are undecidable
- Partial solution: parallelization


SMT: Some Applications



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

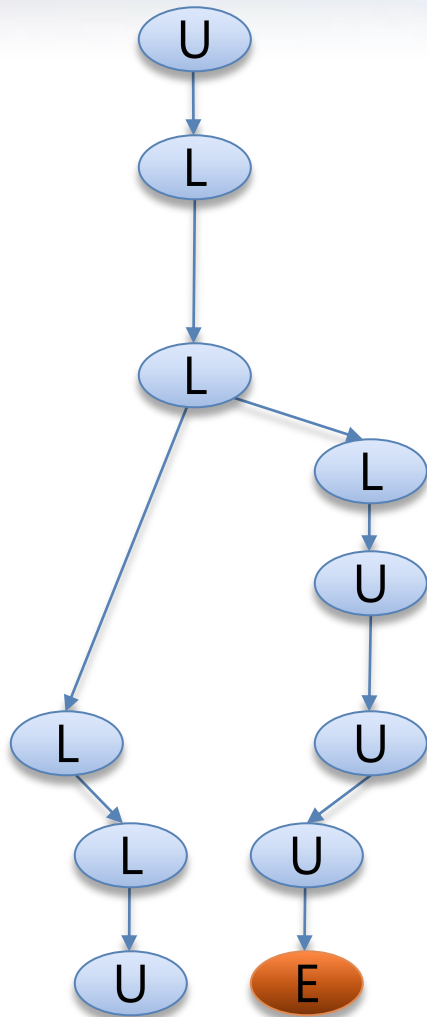


Do this code
obey the looking
rule?

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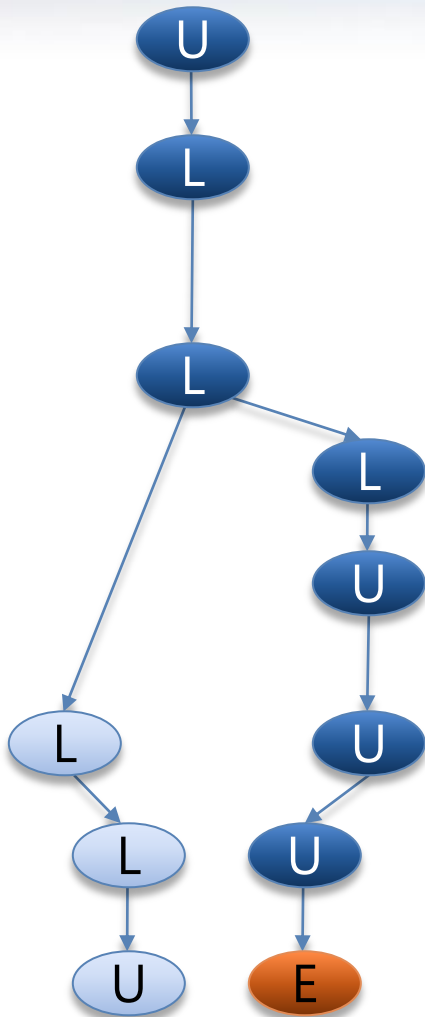
Example

Model checking
Boolean program



```
do {  
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} while (*);  
  
KeReleaseSpinLock ();
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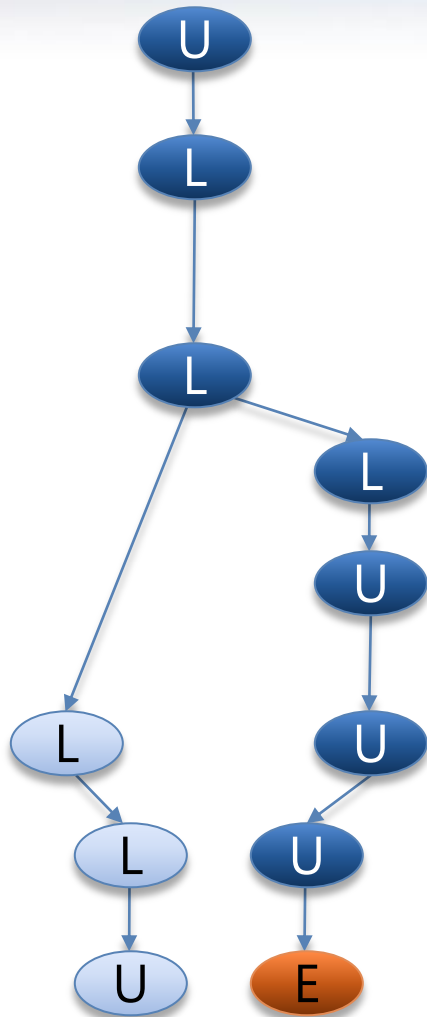


Is error path
feasible?

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Example

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



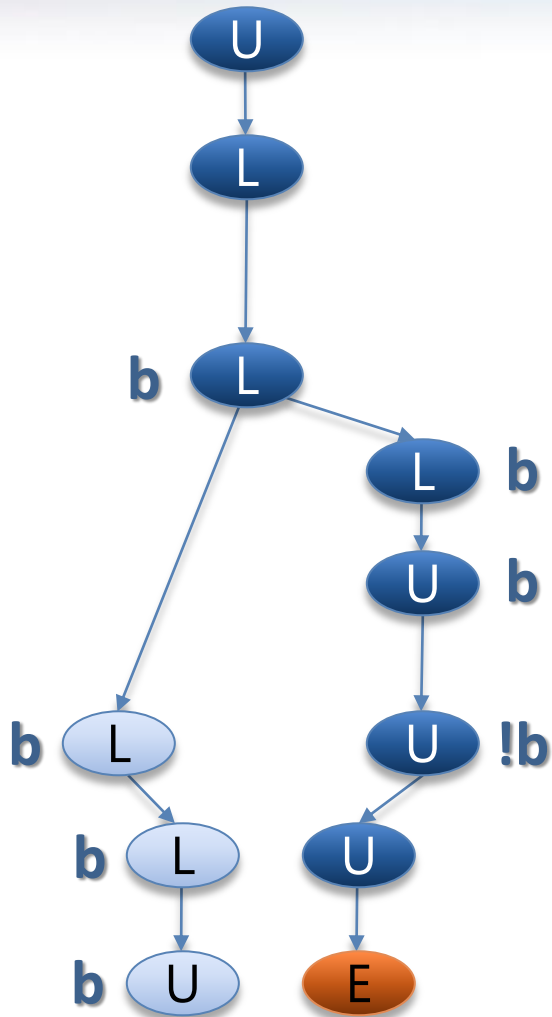
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        nPackets++;  
        b = b ? false : *;  
    }  
} while (nPackets != nPacketsOld);  
    !b  
KeReleaseSpinLock();
```

Example

Model Checking
Refined Program

b: (nPacketsOld == nPackets)

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do {  
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} while (!b);  
  
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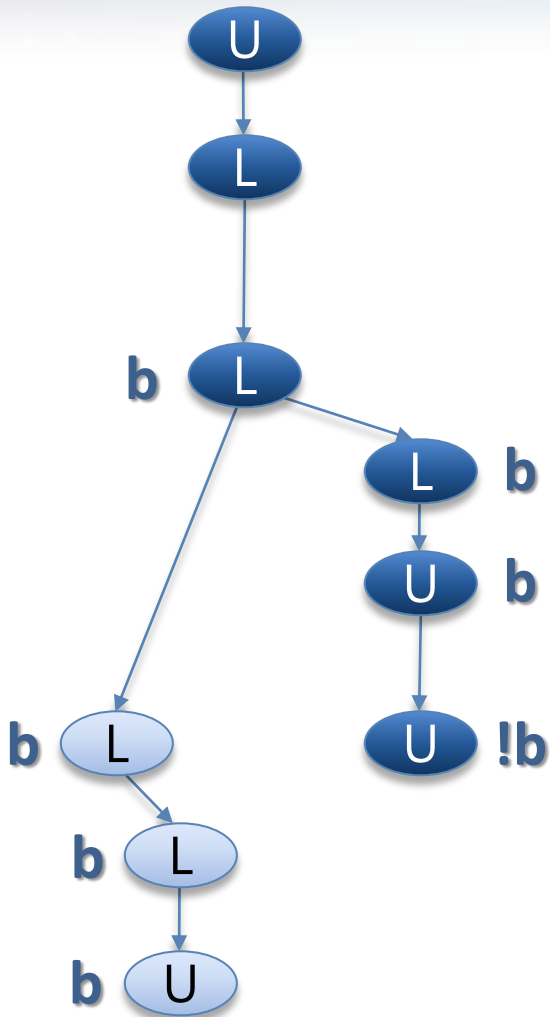


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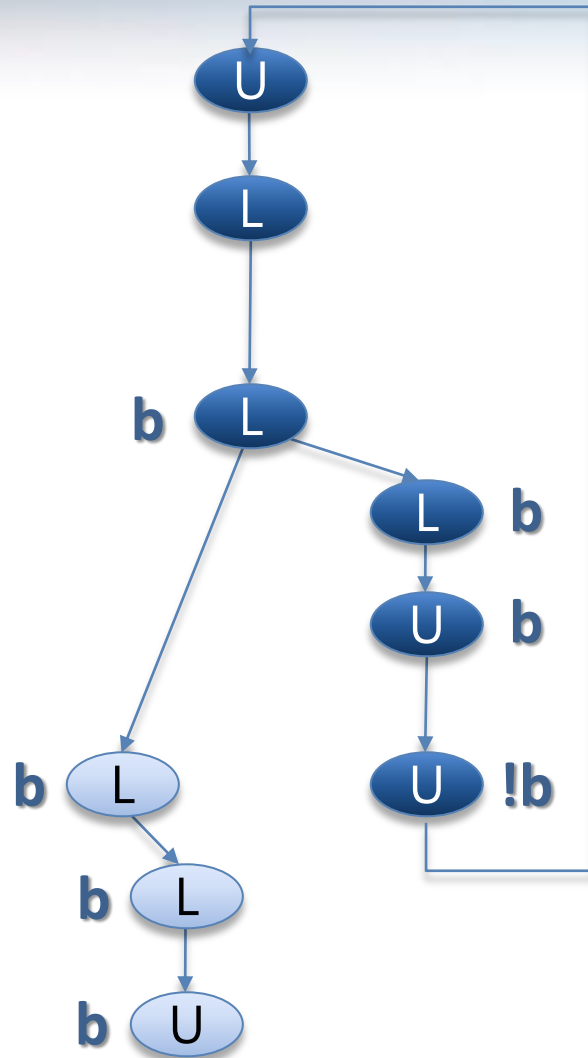
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Observations about SLAM

- 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

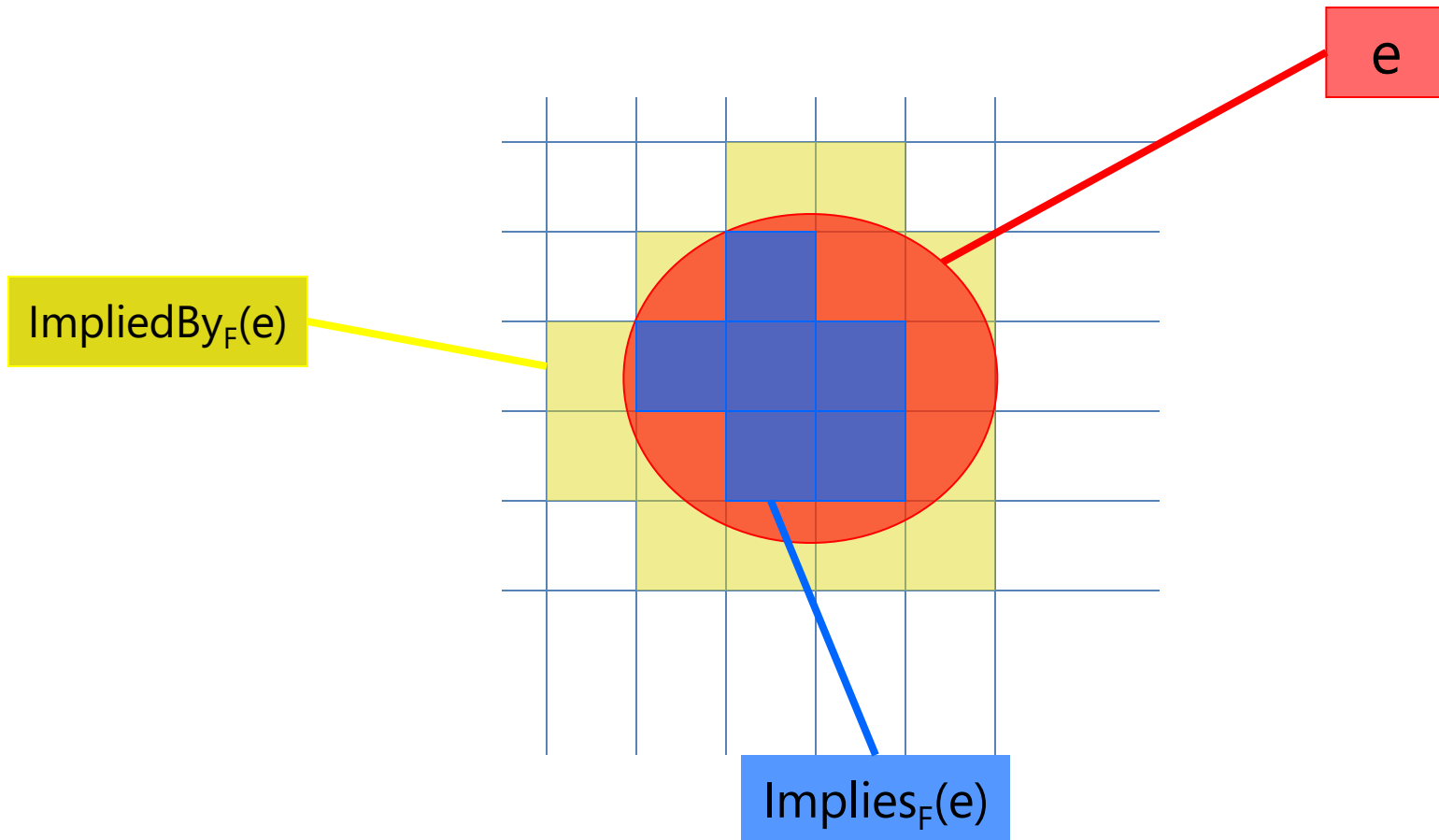
Predicate Abstraction: *c2bp*

- **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 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 $m = l_1 \text{ and } \dots \text{ and } l_n$, where $l_i = p_i$, or $l_i = \text{not } p_i$.
- $\text{Implies}_F(e)$: 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 $m \text{ implies } e$.
- Many possible optimizations





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

- $F = \{ x < y, x = 2 \}$
- $e : y > 1$
- Minterms over F
 - $\neg x < y, \neg x = 2$ implies $y > 1$
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$$\text{Implies}_F(y > 1) = x < y \wedge x = 2$$

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$$\text{Implies}_F(y > 1) = b_1 \wedge b_2$$

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.

SLAM \leftrightarrow Z3: 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:
 - $p_1, \neg p_2, p_3, p_4 \Rightarrow e$
 - $p_1, \neg p_2, p_3, \neg p_4 \Rightarrow e$
 - $p_1, p_2, p_3, \neg p_4 \Rightarrow e$

SMT: Some Applications (Extra)

Bit-Precise
Static Analysis

What is wrong here?

```
int binary_search(int[] arr, int low,
                  int high, int key)
while (low <= high)
{
    // Find middle value
    int mid = (low + high) / 2;
    int val = arr[mid];
    if (val == key) return mid;
    if (val < key) low = mid+1;
    else high = mid-1;
}
return -1;
```

Package: java.util.Arrays
Function: binary_search

```
void itoa(int n, char* s) {
    if (n < 0) {
        *s++ = '-';
        n = -n;
    }
    // Add digits to s
    ....
}
```

Book: Kernighan and Ritchie
Function: itoa (integer to ascii)



What is wrong here?

$$\begin{aligned} &3(\text{INT_MAX}+1)/4 + \\ &(\text{INT_MAX}+1)/4 \\ &= \text{INT_MIN} \end{aligned}$$

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```
int init_name(char **outname, uint n)
{
    if (n == 0) return 0;
    else if (n > UINT16_MAX) exit(1);
    else if ((*outname = malloc(n)) == NULL) {
        return 0xC0000095; // NT_STATUS_NO_MEM;
    }
    return 0;
}

int get_name(char* dst, uint size)
{
    char* name;
    int status = 0;
    status = init_name(&name, size);
    if (status != 0) {
        goto error;
    }
    strcpy(dst, name);
error:
    return status;
}
```

C/C++ functions

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model for function init_name

outcome init_name_0:
guards: n == 0
results: result == 0

outcome init_name_1:
guards: n > 0; n <= 65535
results: result == 0xC0000095

outcome init_name_2:
guards: n > 0; n <= 65535
constraints: valid(outname)
results: result == 0; init(*outname)

models

C/C++ functions

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path for function get_name

guards: $\text{size} == 0$

constraints:

facts: $\text{init}(\text{dst}); \text{init}(\text{size}); \text{status} == 0$

pre-condition for function strcpy

$\text{init}(\text{dst})$ and $\text{valid}(\text{name})$

models

paths

C/C++ functions

warnings

Overflow on unsigned addition

`m_nSize == m_nMaxSize == UINT_MAX`

```
iElement = m_nSize;  
if( iElement >= m_nMaxSize )  
{  
    bool bSuccess = GrowBuffer( iElement+1 );  
    ...  
}  
::new( m_pData+iElement ) E( element );  
m_nSize++;
```

`iElement + 1 == 0`

Write in
unallocated
memory

Code was written
for address space
< 4GB

Using an overflown value as allocation size

Overflow check

```
ULONG AllocationSize;
while (CurrentBuffer != NULL) {
    if (NumberOfBuffers > MAX_ULONG / sizeof(MYBUFFER)) {
        return NULL;
    }
    NumberOfBuffers++;
    CurrentBuffer = CurrentBuffer->NextBuffer;
}
```

Increment and exit
from loop

```
AllocationSize = sizeof(MYBUFFER)*NumberOfBuffers;
UserBuffersHead = malloc(AllocationSize);
```

Possible
overflow

Other Microsoft clients

- Model programs (M. Veanes – MSRR)
- Termination (B. Cook – MSRC)
- Security protocols (A. Gordon and C. Fournet - MSRC)
- Business Application Modeling (E. Jackson - MSRR)
- Cryptography (R. Venki – MSRR)
- Verifying Garbage Collectors (C. Hawblitzel – MSRR)
- Model Based Testing (L. Bruck – SQL)
- Semantic type checking for D models (G. Bierman – MSRC)
- **More coming soon...**

Conclusion

- SMT is hot at Microsoft.
- Many applications.
- Z3 is an **efficient** SMT solver.
- <http://research.microsoft.com/projects/z3>
- <http://research.microsoft.com/~leonardo>

Thank You!