CoVeriTest

Cooperative Verifier-Based Testing

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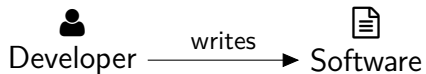
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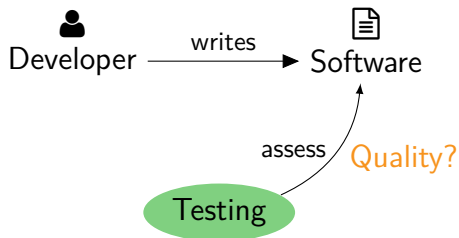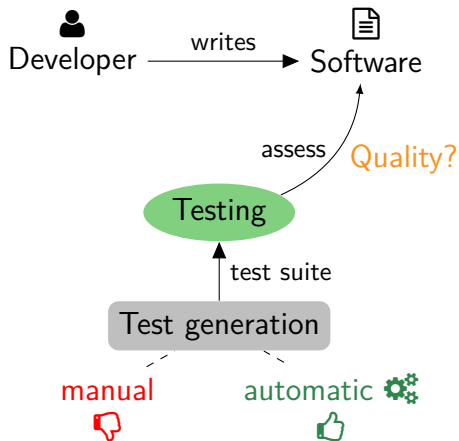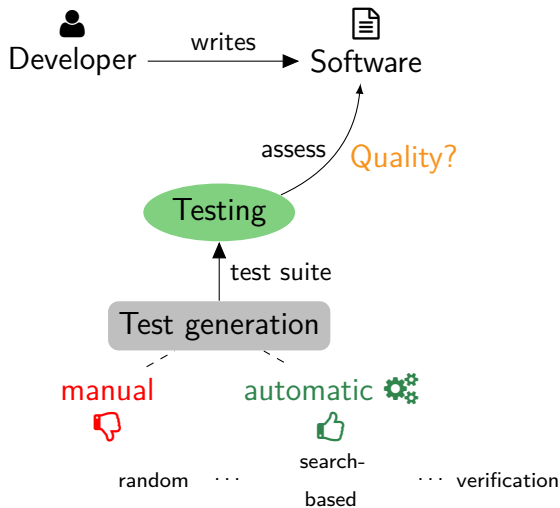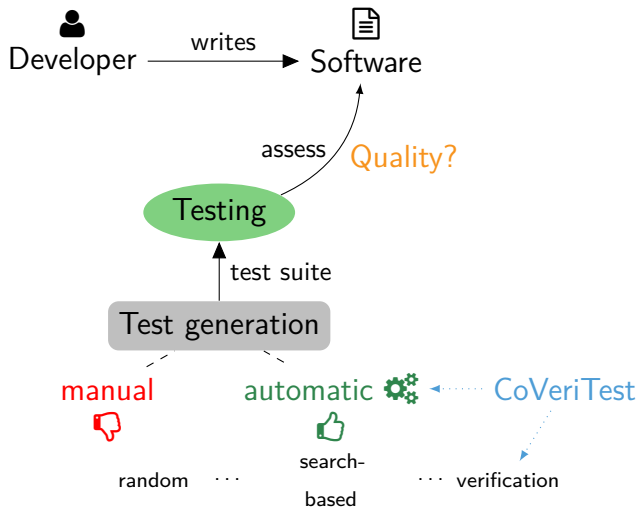# Testing for Software Quality Assurance

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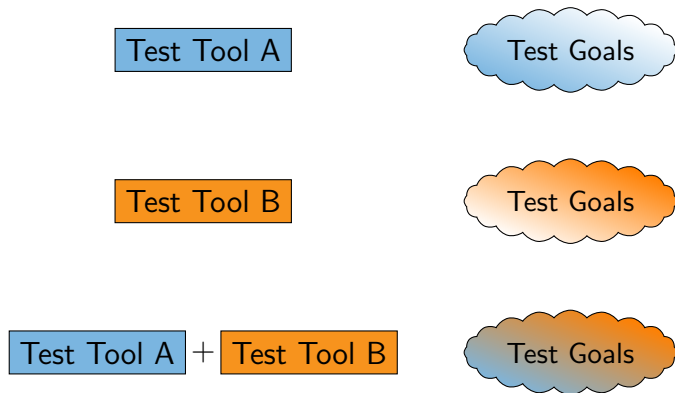Generate a test-suite for program P that covers test goals

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Overview of CoVeriTest Approach

Information exchange realized with ARGs and init procedure

ARG: graph representation of explored, abstract state space

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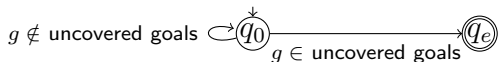# One Analysis Run in CoVeriTest – Execution

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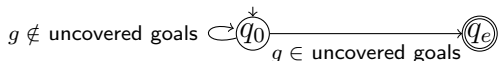Perform reachability analysis of uncovered goals

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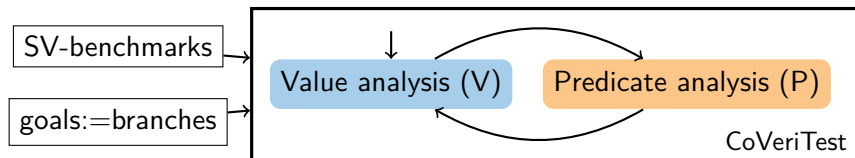Output: test cases + explored state space (ARG)

Research Questions

Internal comparison

1. How to configure CoVeriTest?
   time limits, information exchange
2. Does CoVeriTest's interleaving improve over
   - ▶ its single analyses,
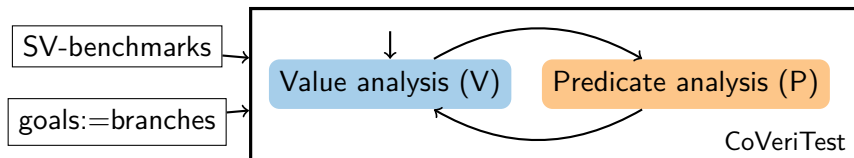   - ▶ their parallel combination?

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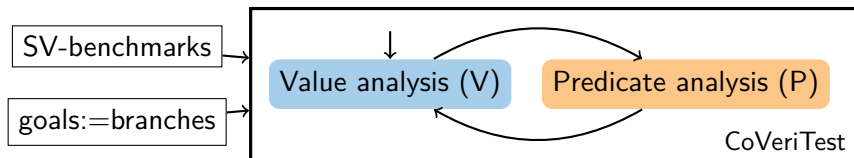3. How does CoVeriTest compete with state-of-the-art?

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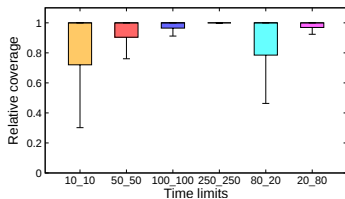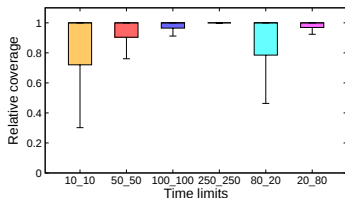▶ distribution of relative coverage (i.e., relative to best result)

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Computing relative coverage of a task

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# covered	7	13	4	16	9	11	16
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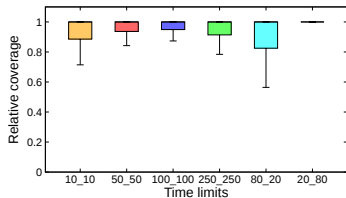# CoVeriTest Configuration: Which Time Limit?

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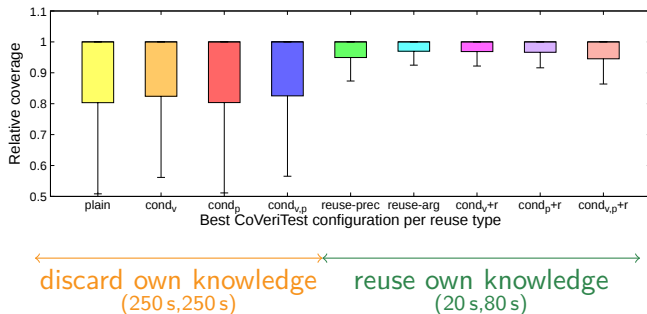$\Rightarrow$ results in two mode clusters

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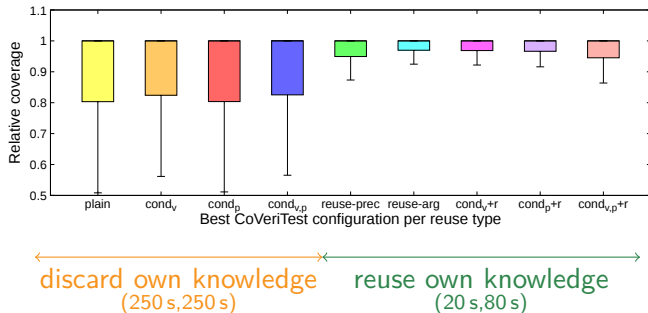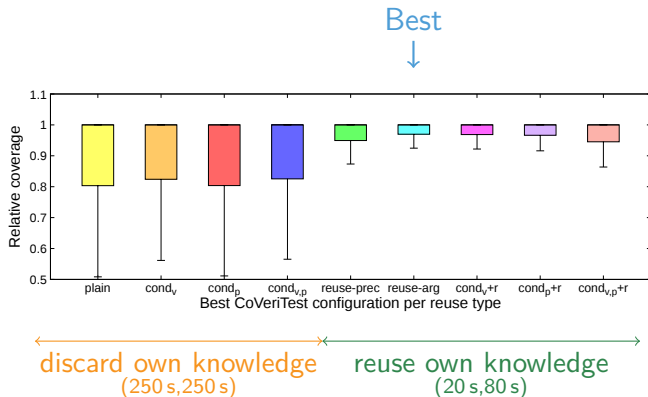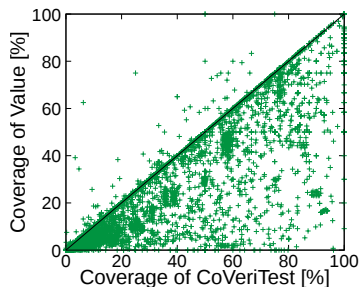▶ Compare relative coverage of different modes

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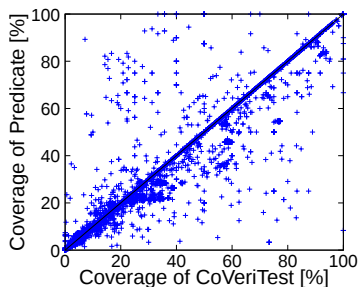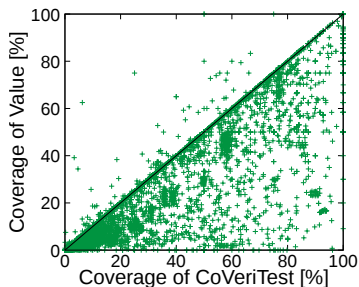
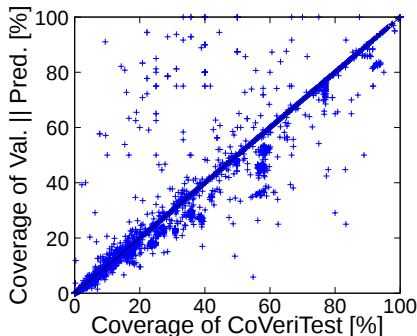# Alone vs. Use in CoVeriTest Interleaving

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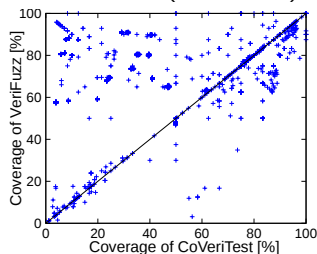▶ Compare coverage measured by gcov

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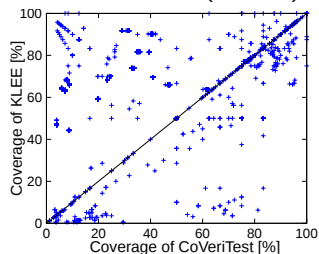Participated in 1. Intl. Competition on Software Testing:

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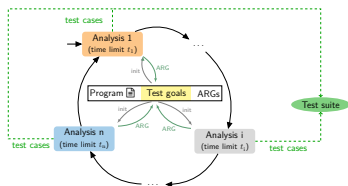
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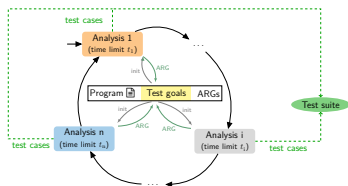CoVeriTest approach for cooperative, test generation

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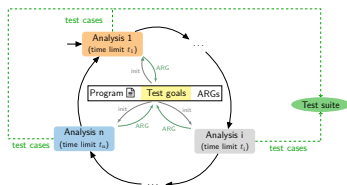CoVeriTest approach for cooperative, test generation

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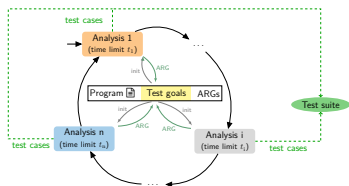

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