

Software Verification with CPAchecker 3.0: Tutorial and User Guide

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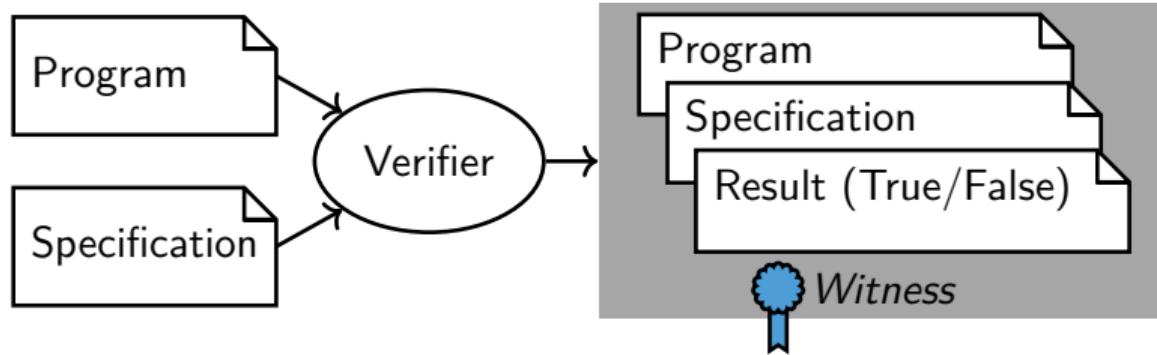


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- ▶ Session 1: 9:00 – 10:30
 - ▶ Overview of Concepts and Architecture
 - ▶ Installation and Tutorial Examples
 - ▶ Overview of the Usage, Inputs, Outputs
- ▶ Session 2: 11:00 – 12:30
 - ▶ Symbolic Approaches
 - ▶ Distributed Summary Synthesis
 - ▶ CPA-Daemon
 - ▶ Verification Witnesses

Overview of CPAchecker

Software Verification



CPAchecker History

- ▶ 2002: BLAST with lazy abstraction refinement [1, 2]
- ▶ 2003: Multi-threading support [3]
- ▶ 2004: Test-case generation, interpolation, spec. lang. [1, 4]
- ▶ 2005: Memory safety, predicated lattices [5, 6]
- ▶ 2006: Lazy shape analysis [7]
- ▶ Maintenance and extensions became extremely difficult because of design choices that were not easy to revert
- ▶ 2007: Configurable program analysis [8, 9],
CPACHECKER was started
as complete reimplementation from scratch [10]

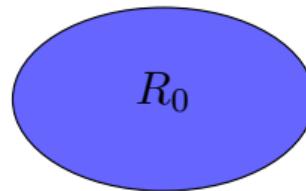
CPAchecker History (2)

- ▶ 2009: Large-block encoding [11, FMCAD '09]
- ▶ 2010: Adjustable-block encoding [12, FMCAD '10]
- ▶ 2012: Conditional model checking [13, FSE '12],
PredAbs vs. Impact [14, FMCAD '12]
- ▶ 2013: Explicit-state MC [15, FASE '13],
BDDs [16, STTT '14],
precision reuse [17, FSE '13]
- ▶ ...

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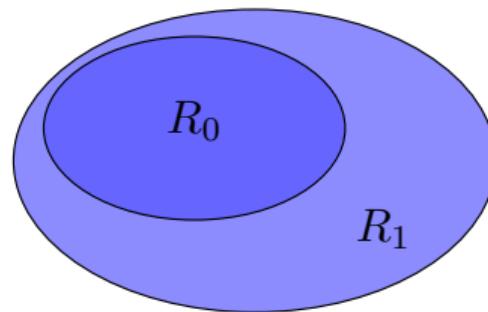
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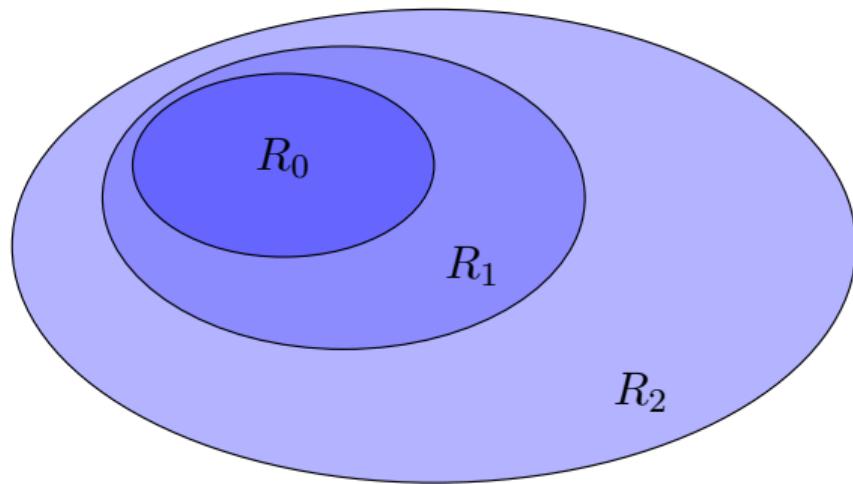
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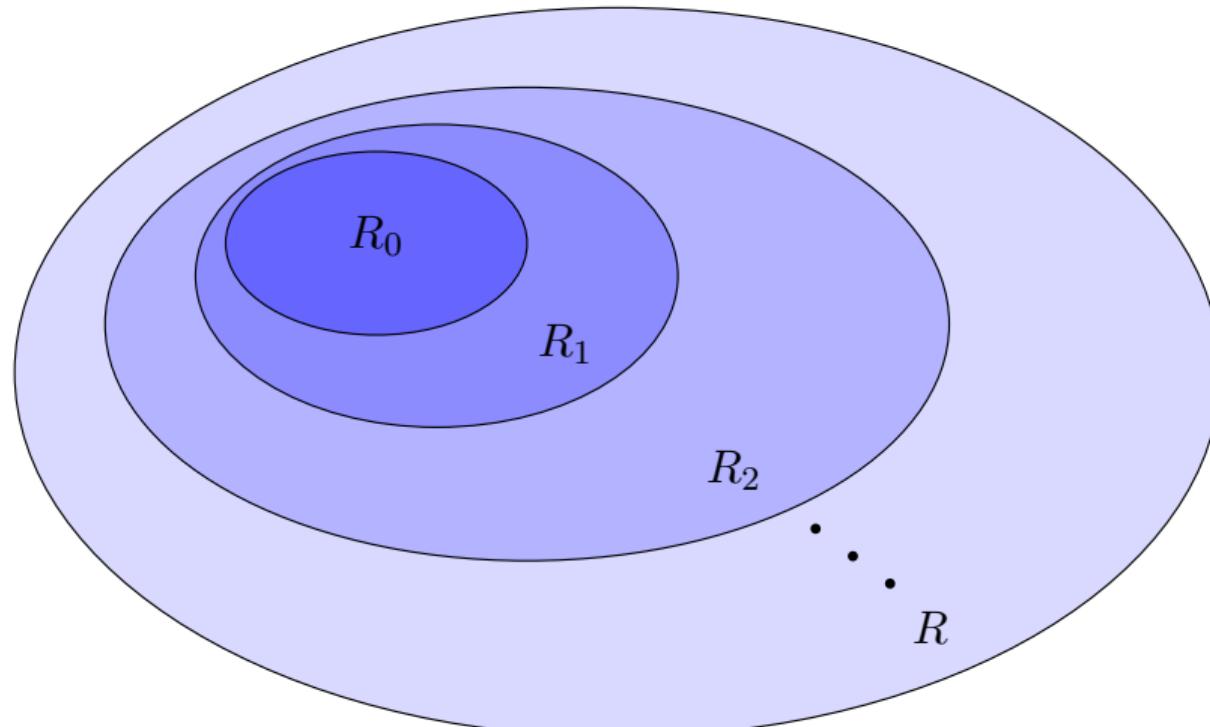
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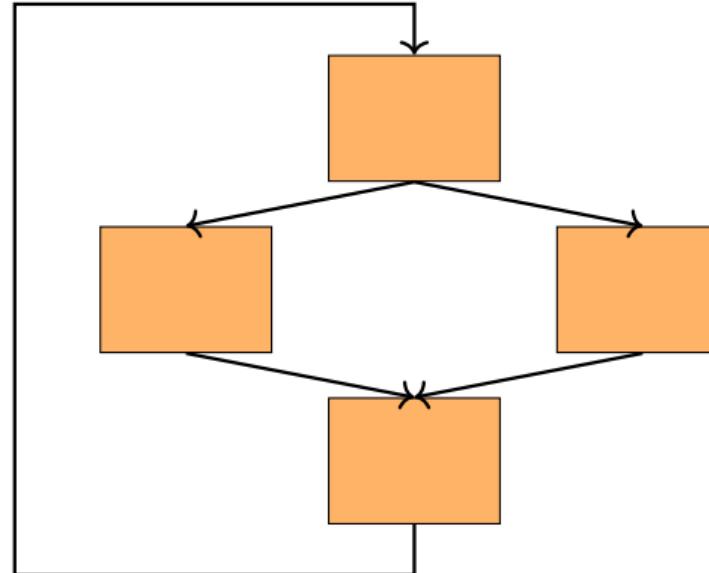
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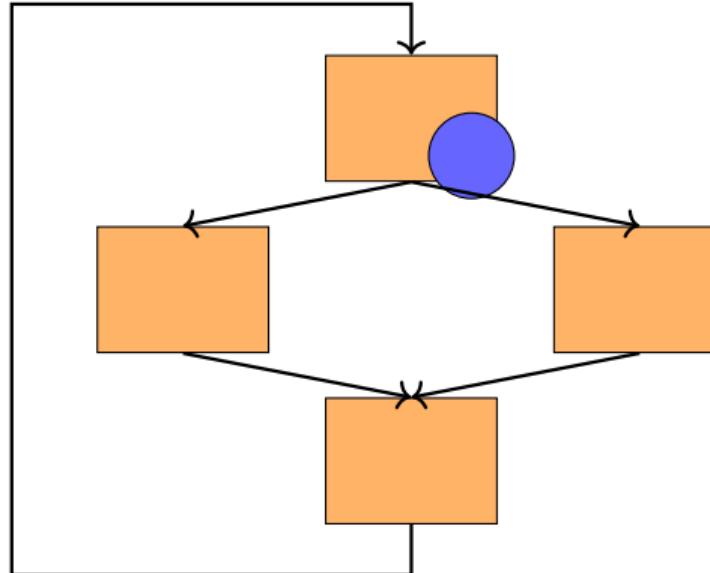
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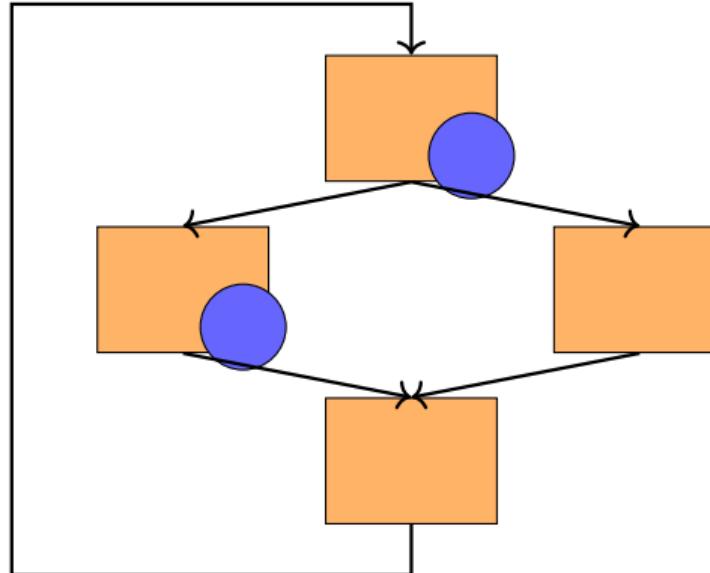
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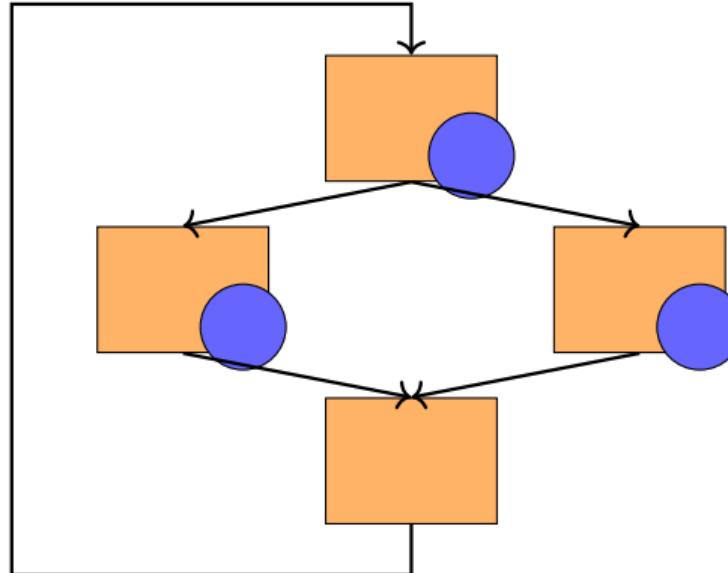
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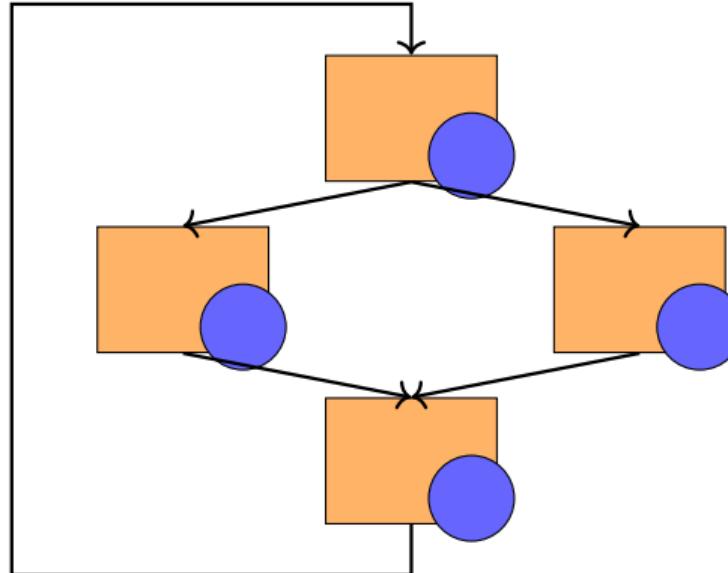
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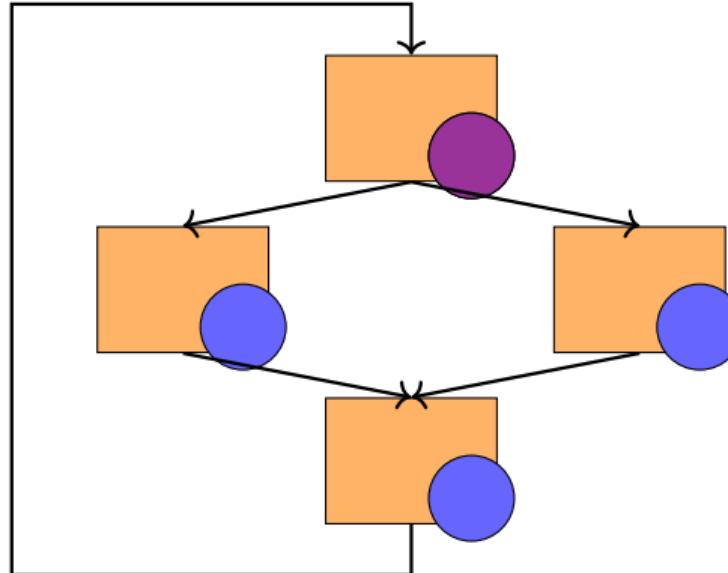
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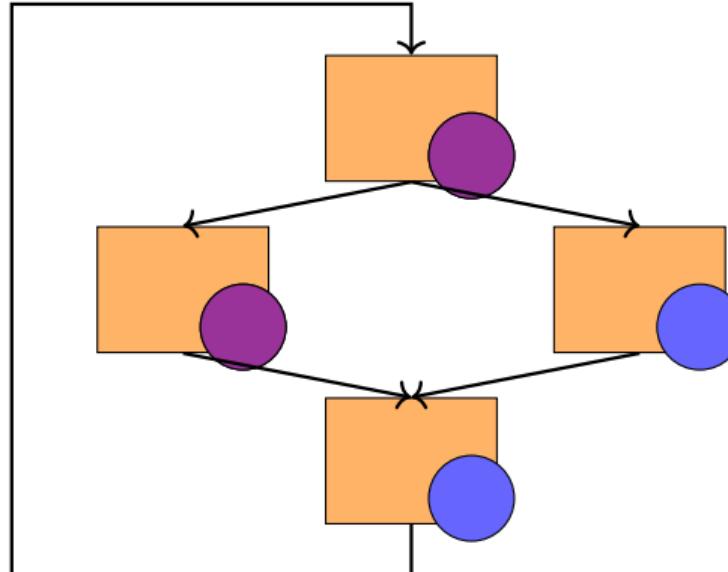
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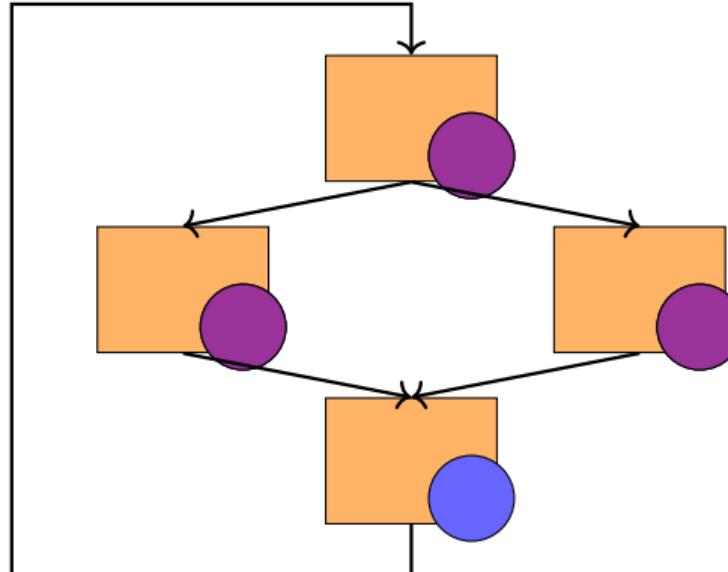
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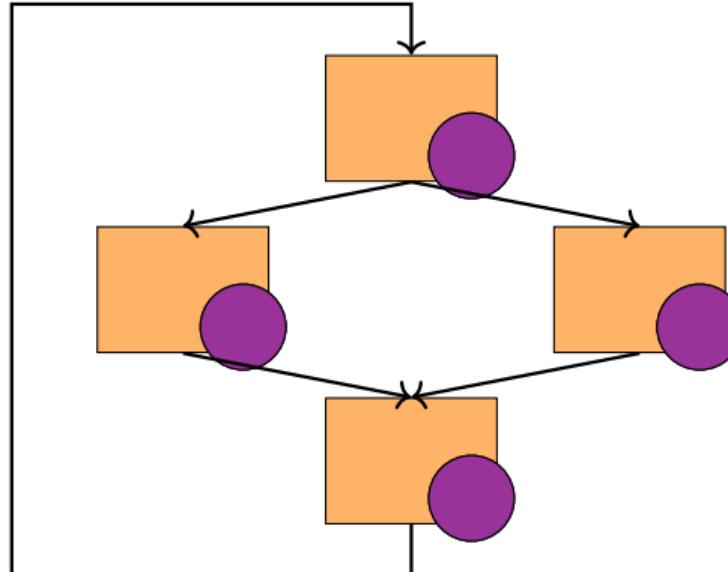
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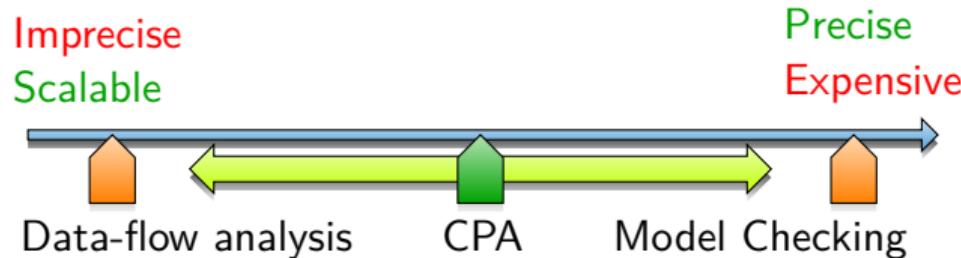
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Configurable Program Analysis

[8, Beyer/Henzinger/Theoduloz CAV '07]

- ▶ Better combination of abstractions
→ Configurable Program Analysis



Unified framework that enables intermediate algorithms

Dynamic Precision Adjustment

Lazy abstraction refinement: [21, Henzinger/Jhala/Majumdar/Sutre POPL '02]

- ▶ Different predicates per location and per path
- ▶ Incremental analysis instead of restart from scratch after refinement

Dynamic Precision Adjustment

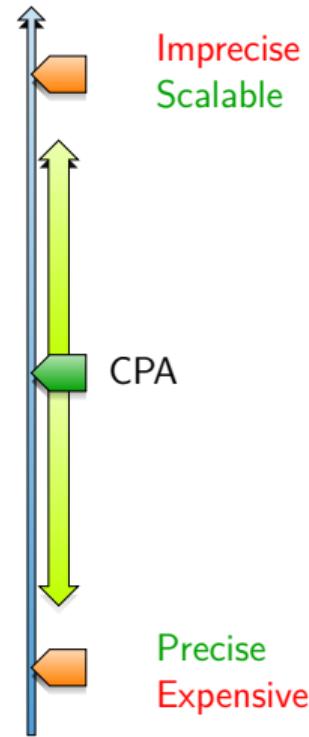
Better fine tuning of the precision of abstractions

→ Adjustable Precision

[9, Beyer/Henzinger/Theoduloz ASE'08]

Unified framework enables:

- ▶ switch on and off different analysis, and can
 - ▶ adjust each analysis separately
- Not only **refine**, also **abstract!**

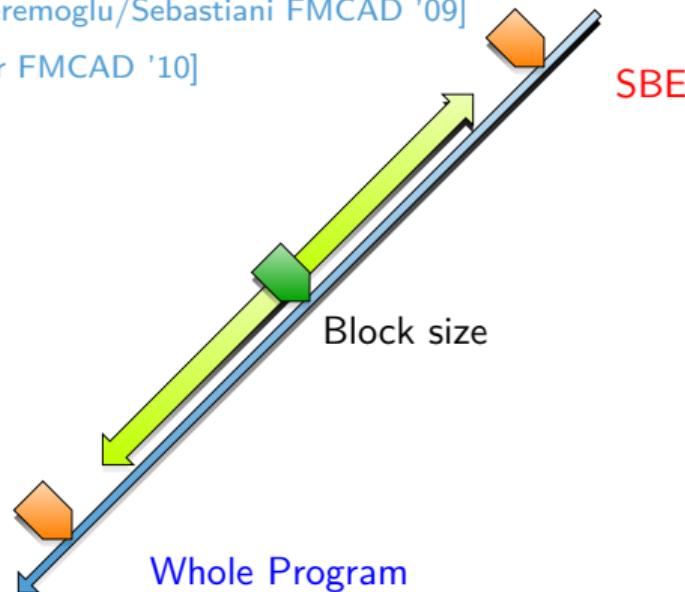


Adjustable Block-Encoding

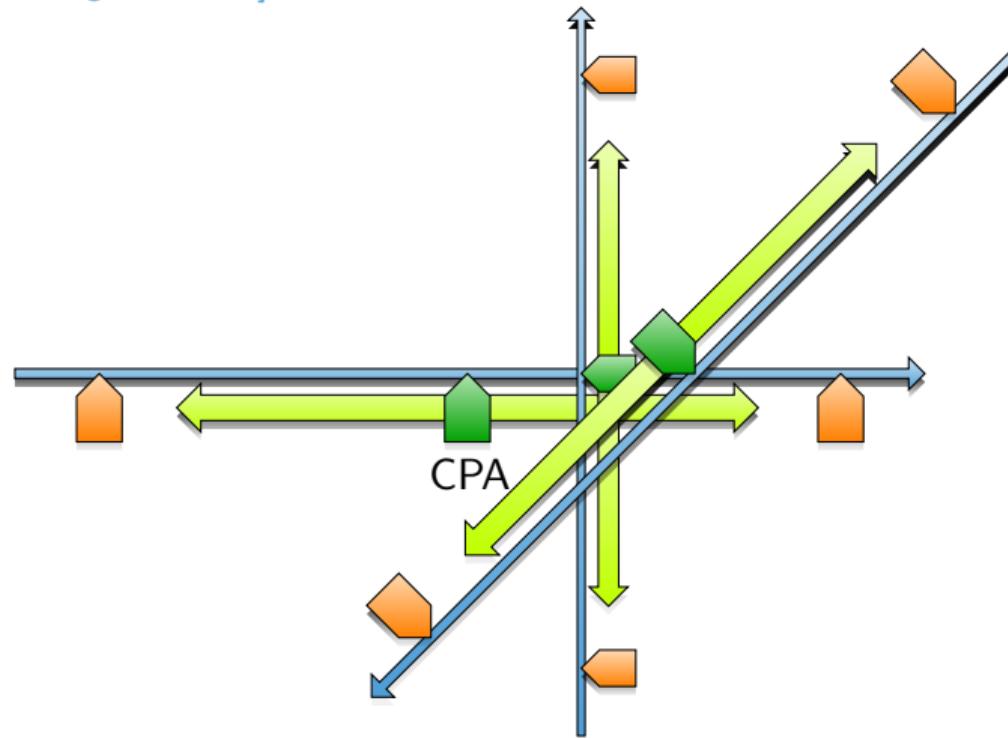
- ▶ Handle loop-free blocks of statements at once
- ▶ Abstract only between blocks
(less abstractions, less refinements)

[11, Beyer/Cimatti/Griggio/Keremoglu/Sebastiani FMCAD '09]

[12, Beyer/Keremoglu/Wendler FMCAD '10]



[10, Beyer/Keremoglu CAV '11]



CPA – Summary

- ▶ Unification of several approaches
→ reduced to their essential properties
- ▶ Allow experimentation with new configurations
that we could never think of
- ▶ Flexible implementation CPACHECKER

- ▶ Framework for Software Verification — current status
 - ▶ Written in Java
 - ▶ Open Source: Apache 2.0 License
 - ▶ ~131 contributors so far from 15 universities/institutions
 - ▶ 572.195 lines of code
(410.470 without blank lines and comments)
 - ▶ Started 2007

<https://cpachecker.sosy-lab.org>

- ▶ Input language C (experimental: Java)
- ▶ Web frontend available:
<https://vcloud.sosy-lab.org/cpachecker/webclient/run>
- ▶ Counterexample output with graphs
- ▶ Benchmarking infrastructure available
(with large cluster of machines)
- ▶ Cross-platform: Linux, Mac, Windows

- ▶ Among world's best software verifiers:
<https://sv-comp.sosy-lab.org/2021/results/>
- ▶ Continuous success in competition since 2012
(66 medals: 19x gold, 22x silver, 25x bronze)
- ▶ Awarded Gödel medal
by Kurt Gödel Society



- ▶ Used for Linux driver verification
with dozens of real bugs found and fixed in Linux [22, 23]

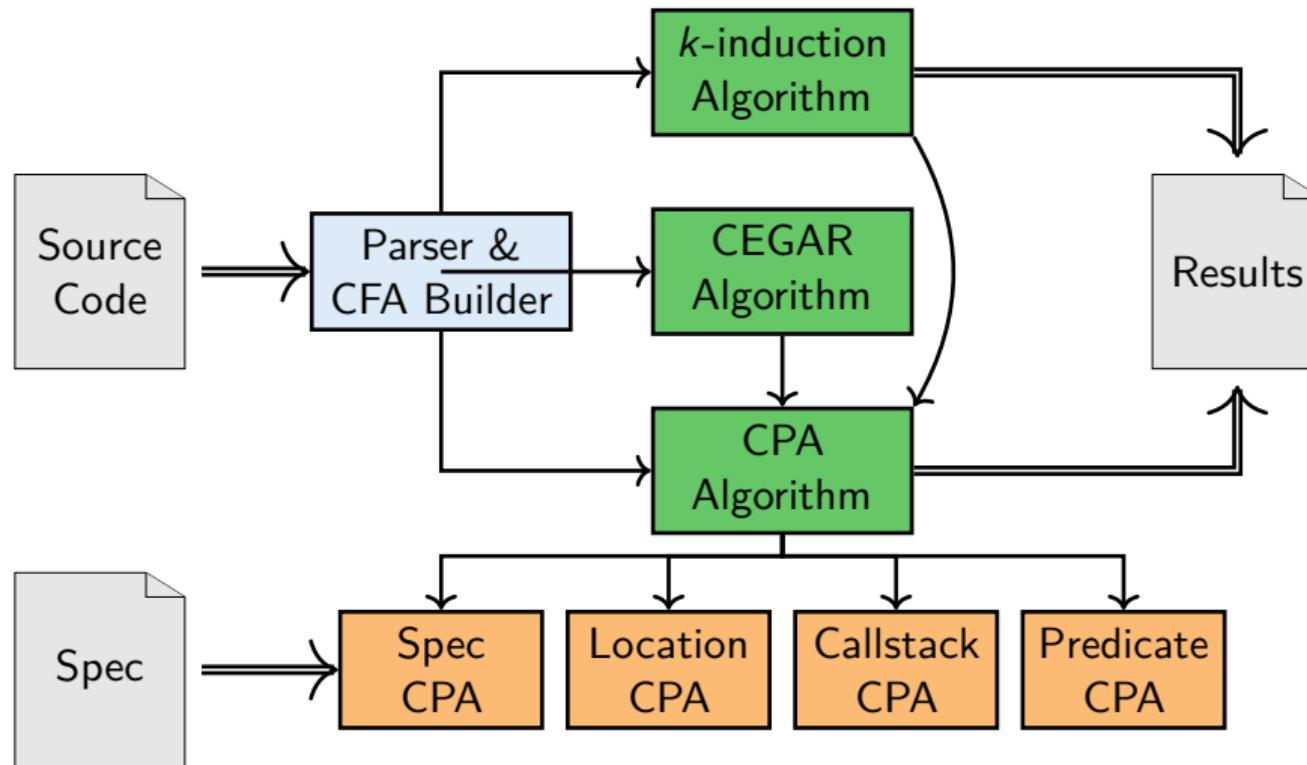
► Included Concepts:

- CEGAR [24] Interpolation [15, 25]
- Configurable Program Analysis [8, 9]
- Adjustable-block encoding [12]
- Conditional model checking [13]
- Verification witnesses [26, 27]
- Various abstract domains: predicates, intervals, BDDs, octagons, explicit values

► Available analyses approaches:

- Predicate abstraction [11, 12, 9, 17]
- IMPACT algorithm [28, 14, 25]
- Bounded model checking [29, 25]
- k-Induction [30, 25]
- IC3/Property-directed reachability [31]
- Explicit-state model checking [15]
- Interpolation-based model checking [32]

- ▶ Completely modular, and thus flexible and easily extensible
- ▶ Every abstract domain is implemented as a "Configurable Program Analysis" (CPA)
- ▶ E.g., predicate abstraction, explicit-value analysis, intervals, octagon, BDDs, memory graphs, and more
- ▶ Algorithms are central and implemented only once
- ▶ Separation of concerns
- ▶ Combined with Composite pattern



Getting Started with CPAchecker

Overview of the First Steps

All the necessary files can be downloaded online OR copied from our USB stick.

- ▶ We provide multiple ways on how to get CPAchecker:
 - ▶ a pre-compiled version from Zenodo,
 - ▶ as a docker image,
 - ▶ installation through .deb file,
 - ▶ as an online service.
- ▶ Please download or copy an artifact with all the examples.
- ▶ We will show how to run your first analysis.

Installation

We recommend a 64-bit GNU/Linux machine for this tutorial.

Installation via Zenodo (primary)

- ▶ This method assumes Java 17+ installed.
- ▶ As a first step copy the ZIP file from our local USB stick or download the file from <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.12663059>
- ▶ The file contains the precompiled CPACHECKER 3.0 release.

```
cd <path to folder with the .zip file>
unzip CPachecker-3.0-unix.zip
cd CPachecker-3.0-unix
```

- ▶ When running the examples, the tutorial assumes either adding bin/ in front of the cpachecker or putting bin/ into the PATH environment variable with the following command:

```
export PATH=":$PATH"
```

Other Ways of Execution

Docker image

```
docker load -i <the .tar.gz file>
docker run -it --rm -v "$(pwd)":/workdir --entrypoint /bin/bash sosylab/cpachecker:3.0
```

.deb file

- ▶ It requires connection to the internet if the Java package is not installed.

```
sudo apt install ./cpachecker_3.0-1_amd64.deb
```

Website

One can try out the tutorial examples at

<https://vcloud.sosy-lab.org/cpachecker/webclient/run/>

Example Verification Task example-safe.c

- ▶ Download the examples from:

<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.13612338>

```
extern unsigned
    __Verifier_nondet_uint();
extern void __assert_fail();
int main() {
    unsigned n =
        __Verifier_nondet_uint();
    unsigned x =
        __Verifier_nondet_uint();
    unsigned y = n - x;
    while(x > y) {
        x--; y++;
        if (x + y != n) {
            __assert_fail();
        }
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Commands to verify the program:

```
cd <folder of unzipped artifact>
cpachecker ./examples/example-safe.c
```

The expected output:

```
Verification result: TRUE.
No property violation
found by chosen configuration.
More details about the verification
run can be found in the directory "./output".
Graphical representation
included in the file "./output/Report.html".
```

Overview of the Usage, Inputs, Outputs



Input Program

```
#include<assert.h>

extern int input();

int foo() {
    int a = input();
    int b = input();
    assert(a == b);
}
```

Input Program

```
#include<assert.h>      ← Must be preprocessed (--preprocess)

extern int input();

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}
```

Input Program

```
extern void __assert_fail (const char *__assertion, const char *__file,
    unsigned int __line, const char *__function)
__attribute__((__nothrow__, __leaf__)) __attribute__((__noreturn__));

extern int input();

int foo() {
    int a = input();
    int b = input();
    if (a != b) __assert_fail(..);
}
```

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```
extern int input(); ← CPACHECKER assumes undefined functions
to be pure (with configurable exceptions)
```

```
int foo() {
    int a = input();
    int b = input();
    if (a != b) __assert_fail(..);
}
```

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```



```
extern int __VERIFIER_nondet_int(); ← New nondet value on each call
```



```
int input() {
    return __VERIFIER_nondet_int(); ← Model for input()
}
```



```
int foo() {
    int a = input();
    int b = input();
    if (a != b) __assert_fail(..);
}
```

CPA✓ Specification

- ▶ --spec default
- ▶ Support for SV-COMP properties
- ▶ Automaton-based specification language (cf. [doc/SpecificationAutomata.md](#))

```
OBSERVER AUTOMATON AssertionAutomaton
```

```
INITIAL STATE Init;
```

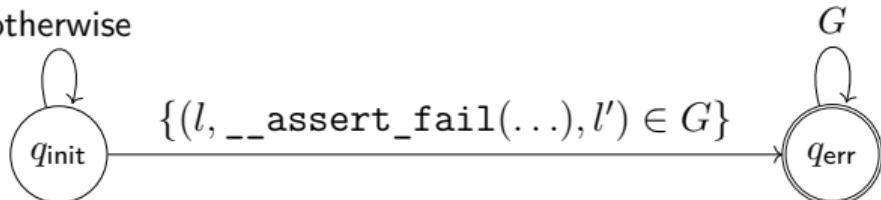
```
STATE Init :
```

```
    MATCH {__assert_fail($1, $2, $3, $4)}
```

```
        -> ERROR("assertion in $location: Condition $1 failed in $2, line $3");
```

```
END AUTOMATON
```

otherwise



Specification	Description
ErrorLabel	Labels named ERROR (case insensitive) are never reachable.
Assertion	All assert statements hold.
default	Both ErrorLabel and Assertion hold.
overflow	All operations with a signed-integer type never produce values outside the range representable by the respective type.
datarace	Concurrent accesses to the same memory location must be atomic if at least one of them is a write access.
memrysafety	All memory deallocations and pointer dereferences are valid and all allocated memory is pointed to or deallocated when the program exits.

More available in [config/specification/](#).

- ▶ What analysis to run? (explicit-value analysis, bounded model checking, ...)
- ▶ Where to start analysis? (function `main`, function `foo`?)
- ▶ What machine data model to assume? (32/64bit, x86/ARM?)

CPA✓ Configuration

- ▶ Configuration through key=value pairs
- ▶ Command-line flags: --option solver.solver=MATHSAT5
- ▶ Input file: --config valueAnalysis-NoCegar.properties

```
#include otherFile.properties

# Define tree of CPAs to use
cpa = cpa.arg.ARGCPA
ARGCPA.cpa = cpa.composite.CompositeCPA
CompositeCPA.cpas = cpa.location.LocationCPA, cpa.callstack.CallstackCPA,
    cpa.value.ValueAnalysisCPA, $specification

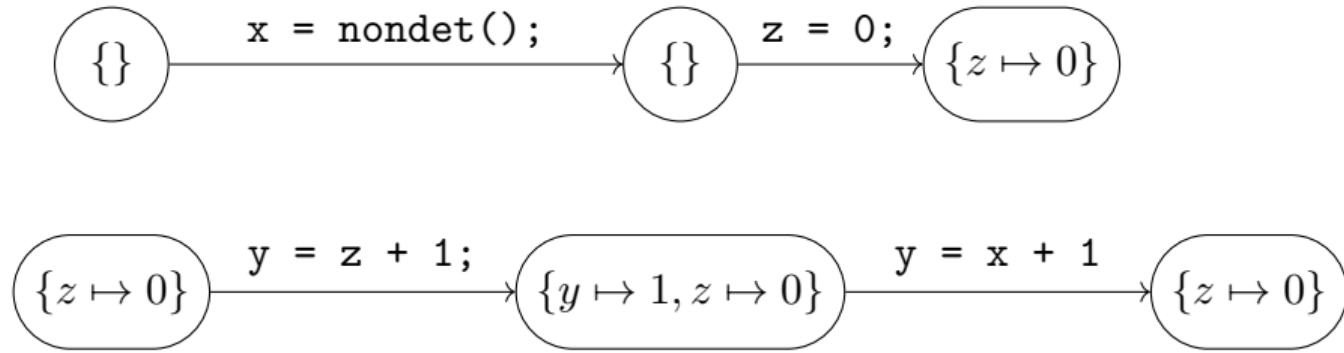
cpa.value.merge = join
# .. snip ..
```

- ▶ Predefined analyses in `config/`
- ▶ Shorthand: `--config config/bmc.properties`
↔ `--bmc`
- ▶ List of all options: `doc/ConfigurationOptions.txt`

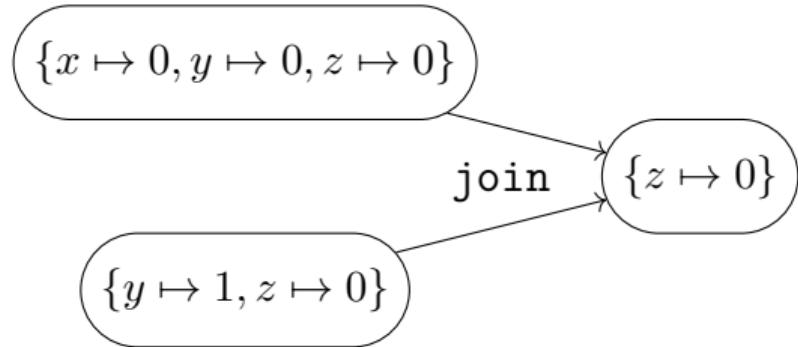
- ▶ Analysis entry: `--entry-function foo` (default: `main`)
- ▶ Data model (default: ILP32)
 - ▶ `--32`: 32-bit x86 Linux (ILP32)
 - ▶ `--64`: 64-bit x86 Linux (LP64)
- ▶ Other command-line options:
 - ▶ Control timelimit: `--timelimit 30s`
 - ▶ Change memory available: `--heap 8000M`
 - ▶ `--help`



Value Analysis CPA



Value Analysis CPA



- ▶ Path-insensitive configuration: `--valueAnalysis-NoCegar-join`

Demo

Demo: Path-Insensitive Value Analysis on example-const.c

- ▶ Example program `example-const.c`
- ▶ Command line:
`cpachecker examples/example-const.c --spec Assertion
--valueAnalysis-NoCegar-join`
- ▶ Relevant output:
`output/Report.html`
- ▶ In the ‘ARG’ tab:
Note how the abstract state ‘7 @ N6’ only stores that $z \mapsto 0$.

Demo: Path-Insensitive Value Analysis on example-safe.c

- ▶ Example program `example-safe.c`
- ▶ Command line:
`cpachecker examples/example-safe.c --spec Assertion
--valueAnalysis-NoCegar-join`
- ▶ CPACHECKER reports UNKNOWN.
- ▶ Value analysis finds an error path, but CPACHECKER performs a counterexample check on that, finds it infeasible, and removes it.
- ▶ Relevant output:
`output/Report.html`
- ▶ In the 'ARG' tab:
Note how the abstract state '32 @ N8' is *covered by* '3 @ N8'.

Demo: Test Harness for example-unsafe.c

- ▶ Example program `example-unsafe.c`
- ▶ Command line:
`cpachecker --kInduction examples/example-unsafe.c`
- ▶ Relevant output:
`output/Counterexample.1.harness.c`
 1. `gcc output/Counterexample.1.harness.c
examples/example-unsafe.c -o testx`
 2. `./testx` prints violation message



Questions?

Question session at the end of the tutorial:



Session 2

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Predicate Analyses

- ▶ Many analyses in CPAchecker [25, 32, 33]
based on predicates and SMT solvers
(Predicate Abstraction, k-Induction, Interpolation-Based Model Checking,
ISMC, DAR, BMC, Impact)
- ▶ Symbolic and precise encoding of program semantics
(bitvectors, floats, dynamic memory; can be configured if necessary)
- ▶ Many SMT solvers supported thanks to JAVASMT [34]:
MATHSAT5, Cvc5, SMTINTERPOL, PRINCESS, z3
- ▶ Default solver is MATHSAT5 (academic license)
due to its strength in bitvectors and interpolation

(Incremental) Bounded Model Checking [35, 25]

- ▶ Well known, good for finding bugs
- ▶ Unroll loops, check for feasibility, increment loop bound, repeat

Demo: BMC on example-unsafe.c

- ▶ Example program `example-unsafe.c`

- ▶ Command line:

```
cpachecker --bmc-incremental examples/example-unsafe.c
```

- ▶ Relevant output:

`expected-outputs/section-4.6-1/output-files/Counterexample.1.html`

- ▶ Assert reachable with $n = 3, x = 1, y = 2$.

- ▶ Longer counterexample (with loop unrollings) by changing to
`unsigned y = x - 5;`

Demo: BMC on example-safe.c

- ▶ Example program `example-safe.c`
- ▶ Command line:
`cpachecker --bmc-incremental examples/example-safe.c`
- ▶ Relevant output:
`expected-outputs/section-4.6-2/output-files/Report.html`
- ▶ Continuous unrolling until timelimit, cf. log and ARG shape

Beyond BMC

- ▶ *k*-Induction (`--kInduction`)
 - ▶ Tries induction proof, enhanced with auxiliary invariants.
 - ▶ Default analysis of CPACHECKER
- ▶ Interpolation-based extensions of BMC:
Find fixpoint based on Craig interpolants from SMT solver.
 - ▶ Interpolation-based model checking (`--bmc-interpolation`)
 - ▶ Interpolation-sequence based model checking (`--bmc-interpolationSequence`)
 - ▶ Dual approximated reachability (`--bmc-interpolationDualSequence`)
- ▶ Interpolation-based CEGAR approaches:
 - ▶ Predicate Abstraction (`--predicateAnalysis`)
 - ▶ IMPACT (`--predicateAnalysis-ImpactRefiner-ABEL`)

Depends on verification task which works best.

Demo: BMC Extensions

- ▶ Example program `example-safe.c`

- ▶ Command lines:

```
cpachecker --kInduction examples/example-safe.c
```

```
cpachecker --bmc-interpolation examples/example-safe.c
```

```
cpachecker --bmc-interpolationSequence examples/example-safe.c
```

```
cpachecker --bmc-interpolationDualSequence examples/example-safe.c
```

- ▶ Rarely useful output except verification verdict

Demo: Predicate Abstraction

- ▶ Example program `example-safe.c`
- ▶ Command line:
`cpachecker --predicateAnalysis examples/example-safe.c`
- ▶ Relevant output:
`expected-outputs/section-4.5-1/output-files/:`
`Report.html, witness-2.0.yml, invariants.txt, predmap.txt`
- ▶ Abstract state 25 in ARG covered by abstract state state 16: fixpoint found
- ▶ Invariant visible in witness

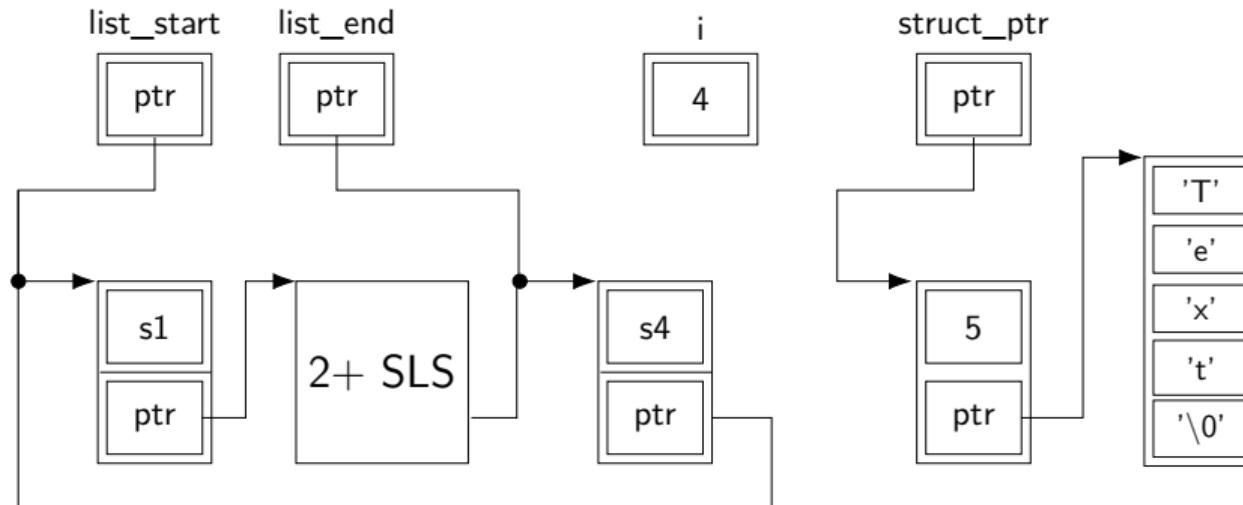
Verification of Memory Safety

- ▶ Supported properties defined by **SV-COMP**
(valid-deref, valid-free, etc.)
- ▶ with SV-COMP property file:
`--spec .../valid-memsafety.prp`
- ▶ or manually:
`--spec memorysafety --smg`
- ▶ specialized analysis:
Symbolic Memory Graphs (SMG) [36]

Symbolic Memory Graphs (SMG)

- ▶ Bit-precise heap representation as graph
- ▶ Combined with symbolic execution for tracking constraints
- ▶ Abstracts linked lists on heap into symbolic representations

Example:



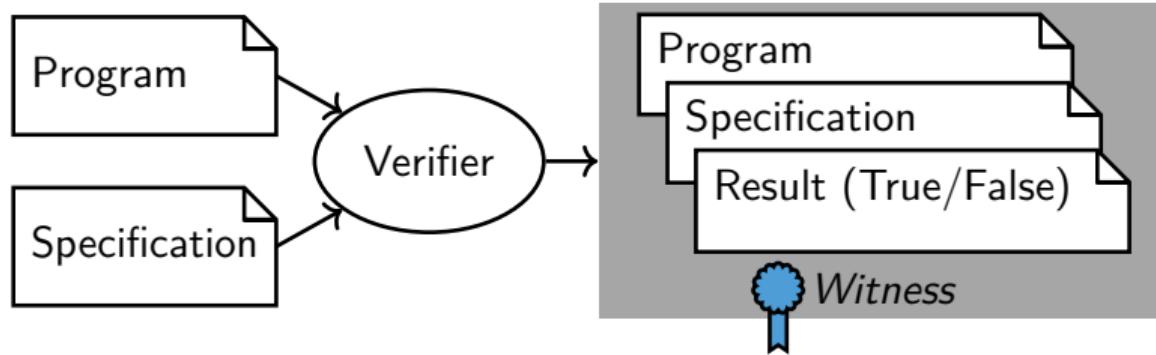
Demo: SMG for Memory Safety

- ▶ Example program `example-unsafe-memsafety.c`
(needs --preprocess)
- ▶ Command line:
`cpachecker --preprocess --smg --spec memorysafety \
examples/example-unsafe-memsafety.c`
- ▶ Relevant output:
`expected-outputs/section-4.8-1/output-files/Report.html`
- ▶ End of path in ARG shows violation in first visit of line 21.
- ▶ Fix with `int i = size - 1;` in line 20.

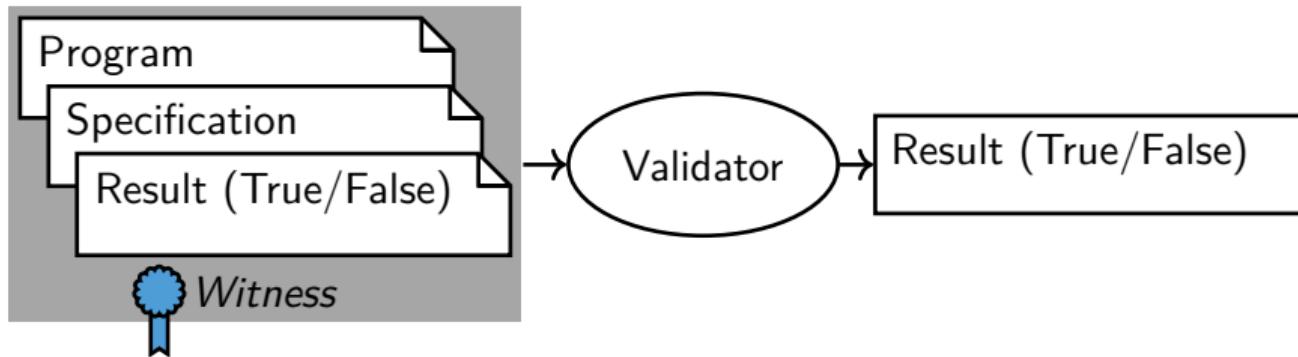
New Features / Recent Developments

Support of Verification Witnesses 2.0

Software Verification



Witness Validation



- ▶ Validate untrusted results
- ▶ Easier than full verification

Purpose of Witnesses

- ▶ Provide insights into the verification process
- ▶ Validate verification results
- ▶ Exchange information between different tools

Software-Verification Witnesses

Correctness Witnesses:

- ▶ Aids in reconstructing the proof
- ▶ Contains invariants

Violation Witnesses:

- ▶ Aids in replaying a violation
- ▶ Represents a set of paths
- ▶ At least one is a violation path

Demo Verification Witnesses

Verification (correct example):

```
cpachecker --predicateAnalysis examples/example-safe.c
```

Validation (with correctness witness):

```
cpachecker --witnessValidation --witness output/witness-2.0.yml  
examples/example-safe.c
```

Verification (buggy example):

```
cpachecker --predicateAnalysis examples/example-unsafe.c
```

Motivation

- ▶ Context: (Automatic) Software Model Checking
- ▶ We need low response time.
- ▶ Therefore, we need massively parallel approaches.
- ▶ Solution: Decomposition into blocks, construct contracts automatically
- ▶ Goal: Scalable and Distributed Software Verification

Solution: Distributed Summary Synthesis

Based on [37]:

Dirk Beyer, Matthias Kettl, Thomas Lemberger:

Decomposing Software Verification using Distributed Summary Synthesis

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Overview of Decomposition

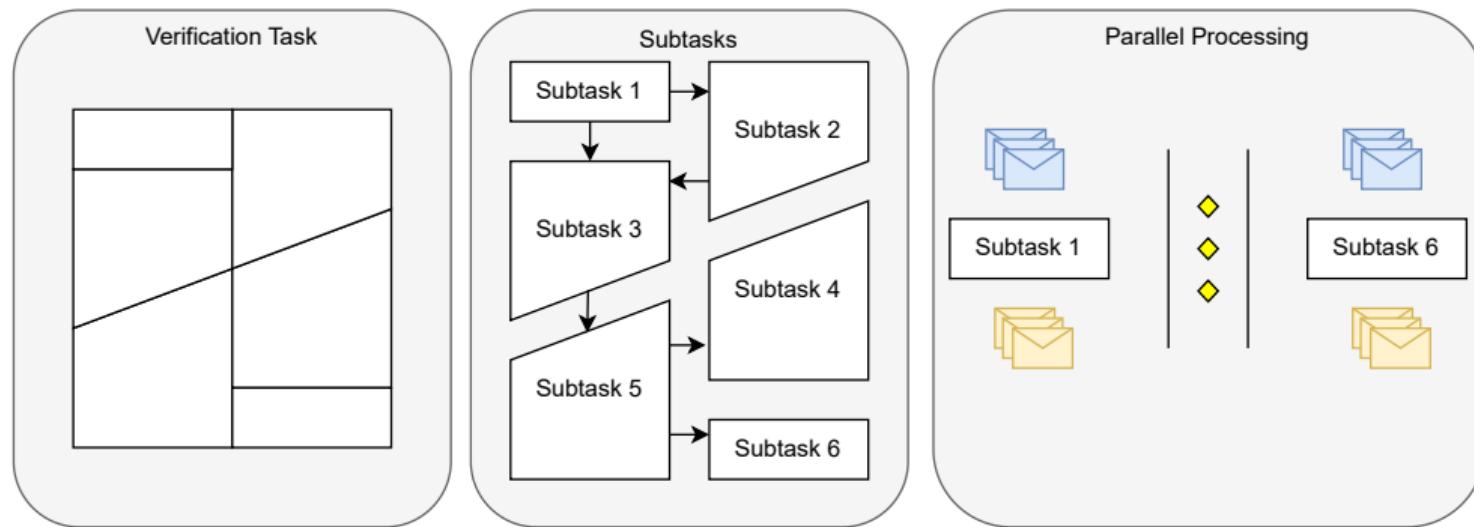


Figure: Overview of the *DSS* approach

Example: Control-Flow Automaton

```
1 int main() {  
2     int x = 0;  
3     int y = 0;  
4     while (n()) {  
5         x++;  
6         y++;  
7     }  
8     assert(x == y);  
9 }
```

Figure: Safe program

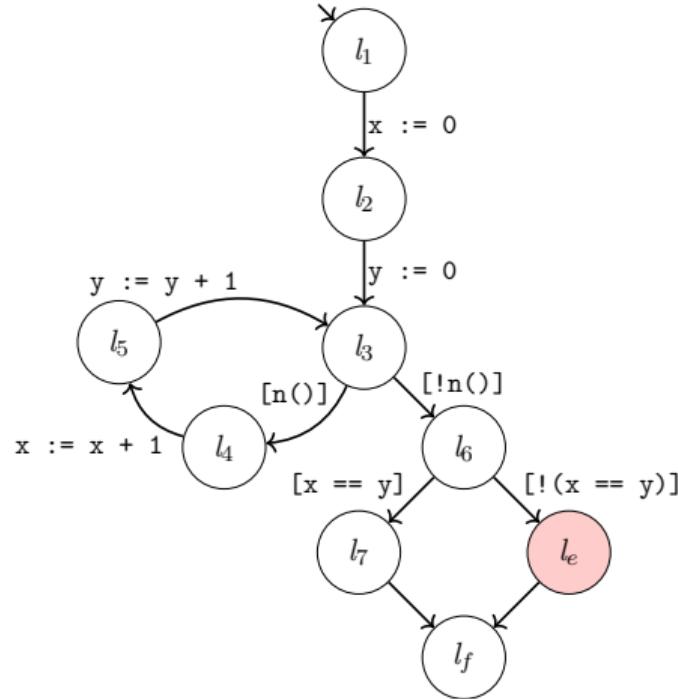


Figure: CFA of program

Decomposition

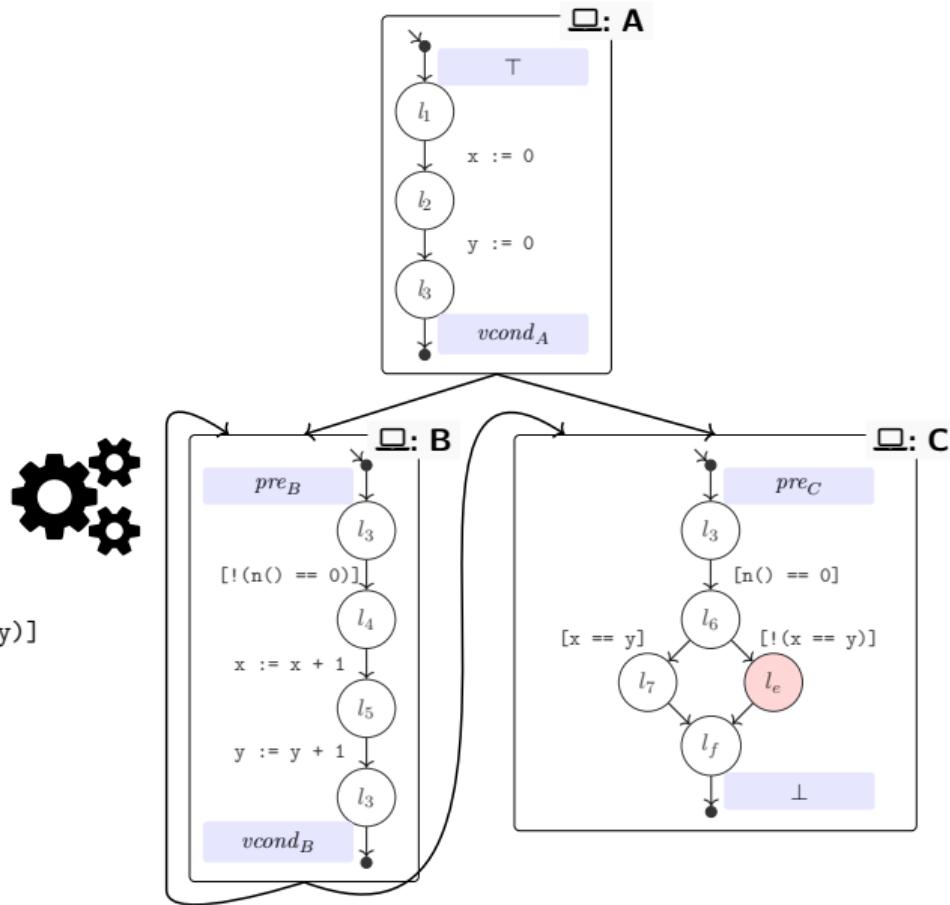
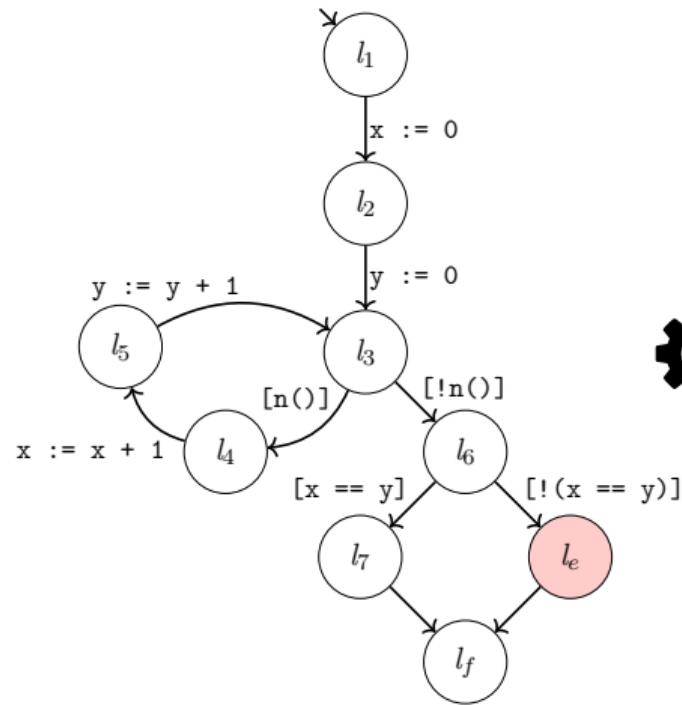
We split a large verification task into multiple smaller subtasks.

Requirements for eligible decompositions:

- ▶ Each block has exactly one entry and one exit location.
- ▶ Loops should be reflected as loops in the block graph.
- ▶ Blocks should as large as possible.
- ▶ Blocks not bound to functions.

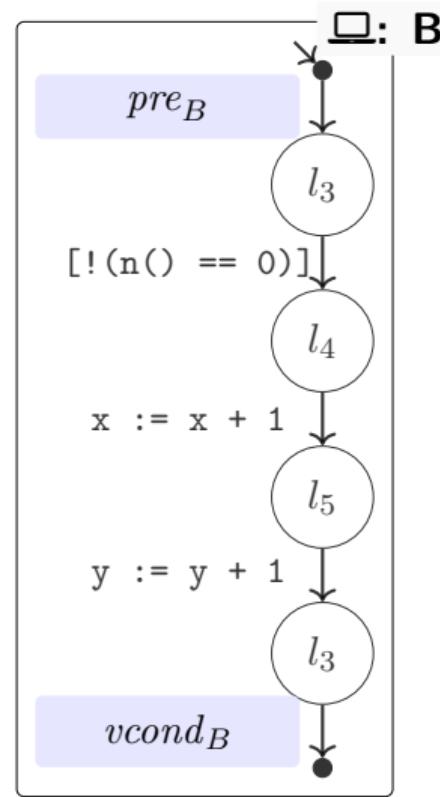
Approach: We decompose the CFA similar to large-block encoding [11].

Example: Decomposition



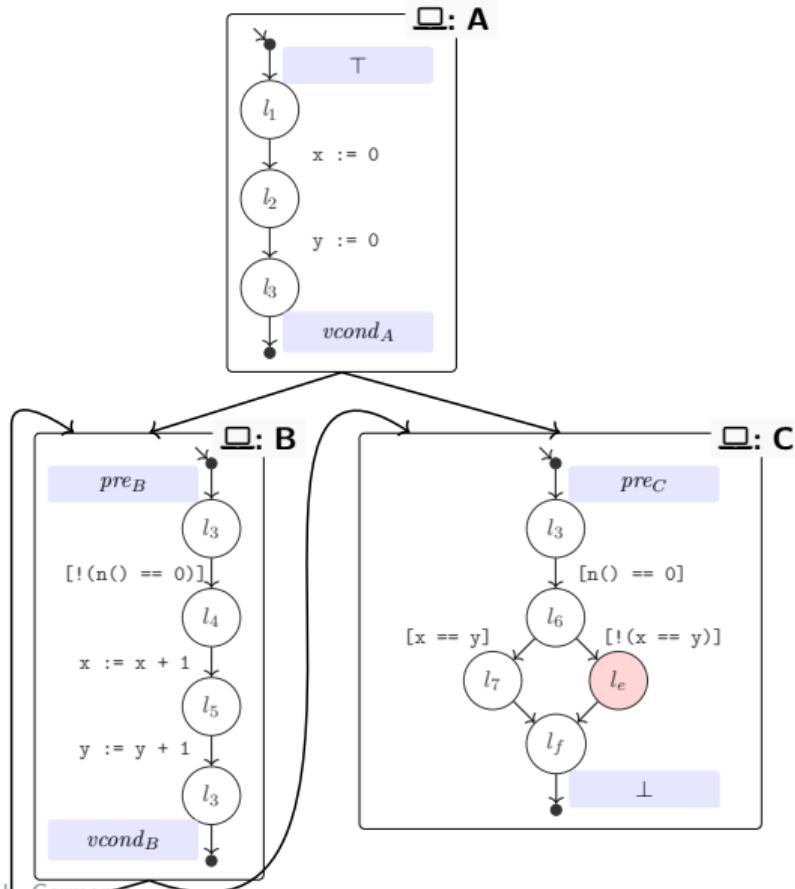
Workers

- ▶ Each worker runs independently in an own compute thread/node.
- ▶ Preconditions describe good entry states of a block (over-approximating).
- ▶ Violation condition needs to be refuted to prove a program safe.
- ▶ Preconditions are refined until all violation conditions are refuted or at least one is confirmed.



Communication Model

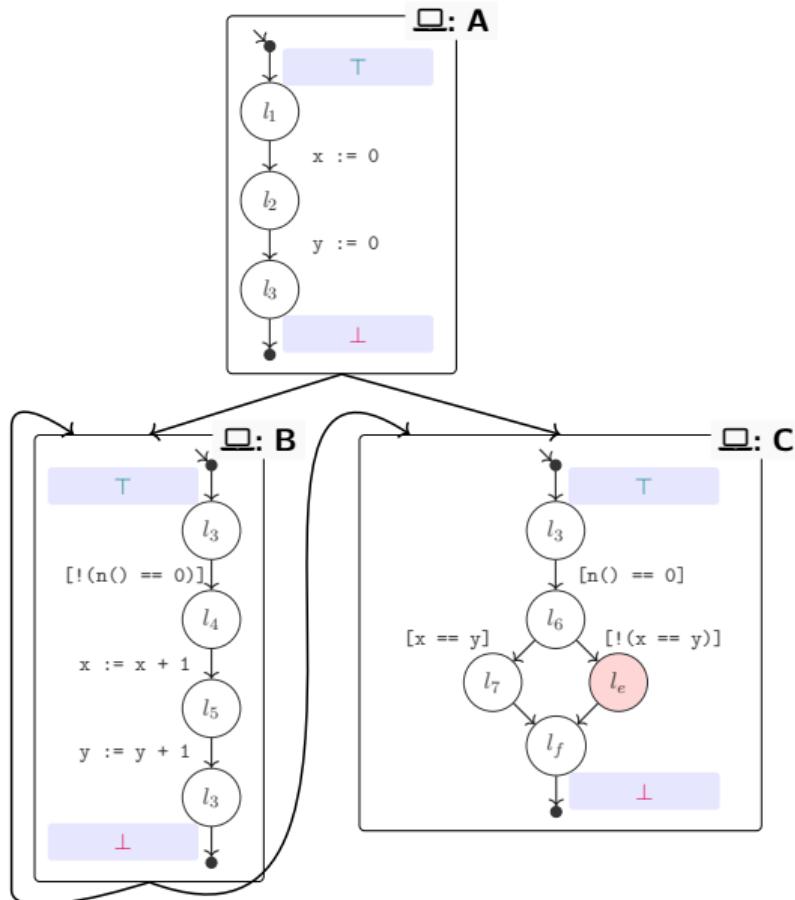
- ▶ Workers know their successor and predecessors.
- ▶ Workers maintain a list of preconditions, violation conditions, and their subtask.



Verification with DSS 1

Block Result

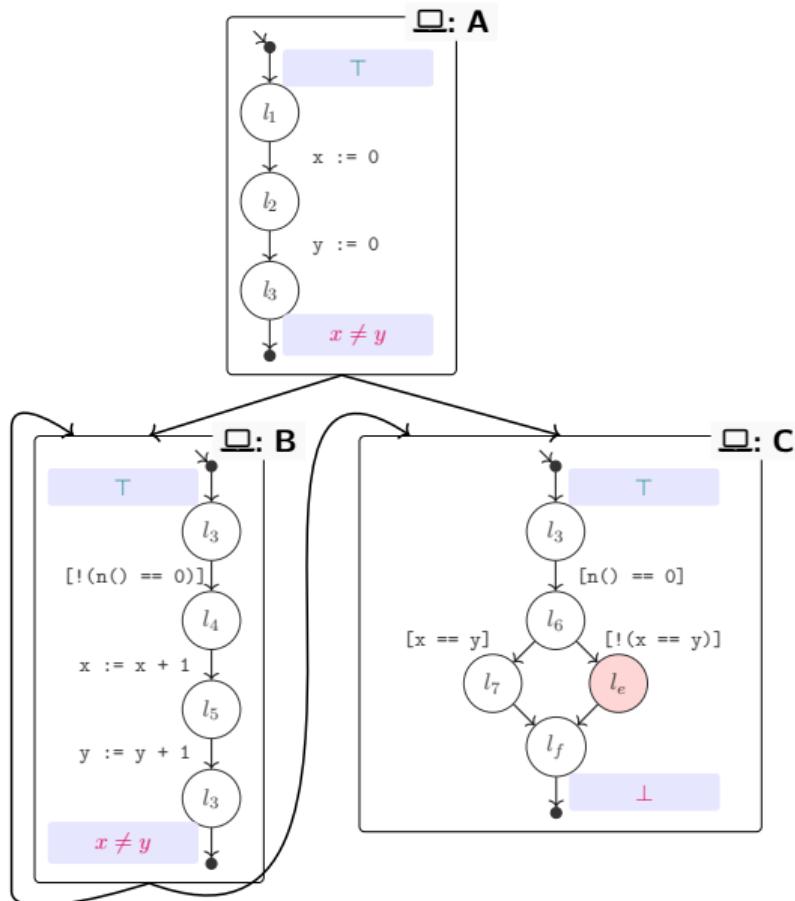
A	$\downarrow \square_{B,C} : T$
B	$\downarrow \square_{B,C} : T$
C	$\uparrow \square_{A,B} : x \neq y$



Verification with DSS 2

Block Result

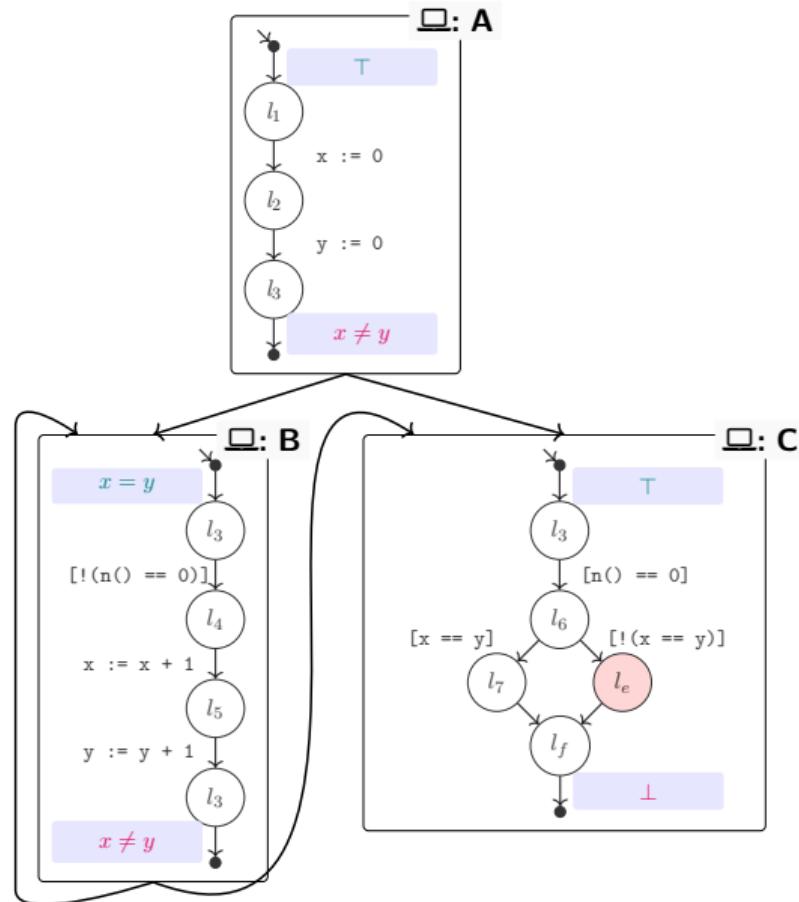
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B	$\uparrow \boxtimes_{A,B} : x \neq y$
C	idle



Verification with DSS 3

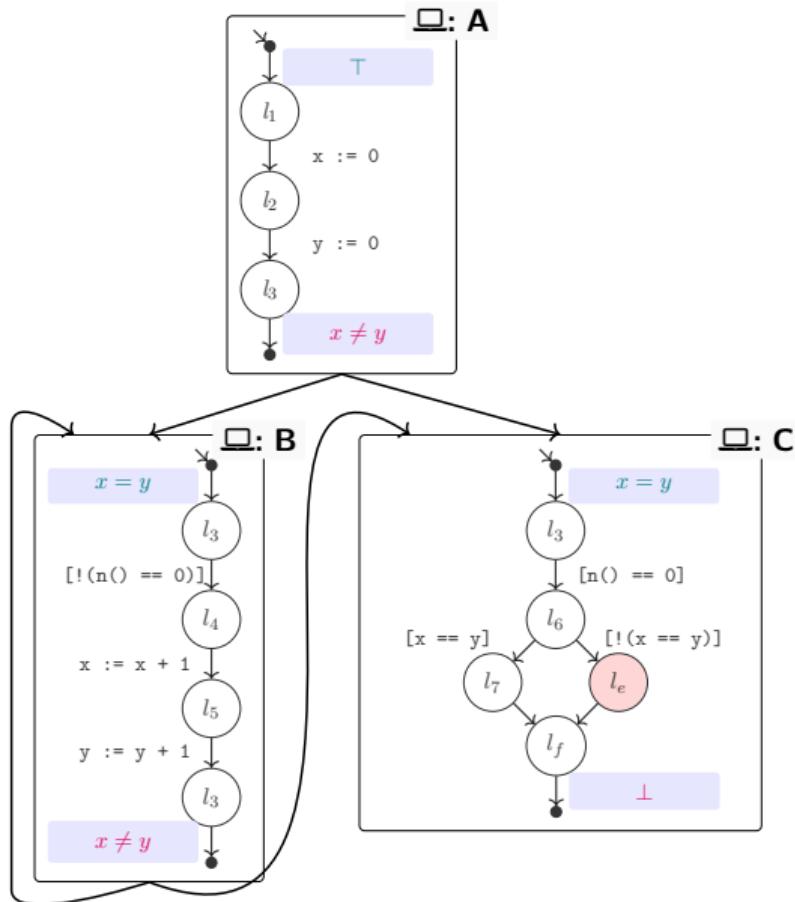
Block Result

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B	$\downarrow \boxtimes_{B,C} : x = y$
C	idle



Verification with DSS 4

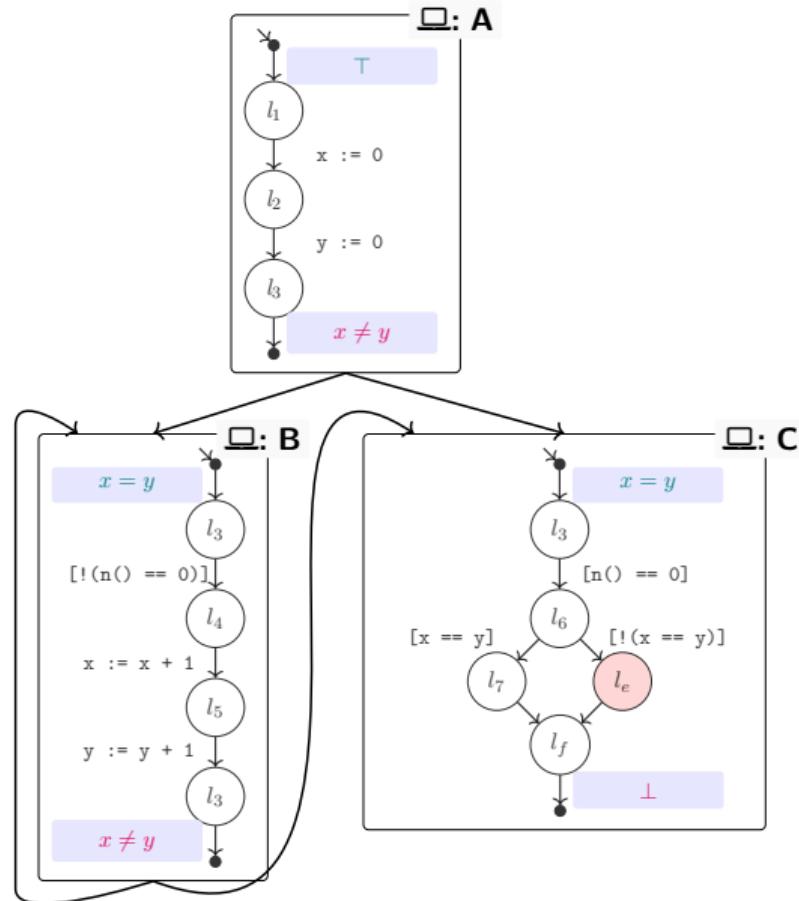
Block	Result
A	<i>idle</i>
B	<i>idle</i>
C	$\downarrow \text{✉}_\emptyset : \top$



Verification with DSS 5

Block	Result
A	idle
B	idle
C	idle

⇒ Fix-point reached, program safe.



Evaluation: Setup

Benchmark Setup:

- ▶ We evaluate *DSS* on the subcategory *SoftwareSystems* of the SV-COMP '23 benchmarks.
- ▶ We focus on the 2 485 safe verification tasks.
- ▶ We use the SV-COMP [38] benchmark setup:
15 GB RAM and an 8 core Intel Xeon E3-1230 v5 with 3.40 GHz.

Evaluation: Results

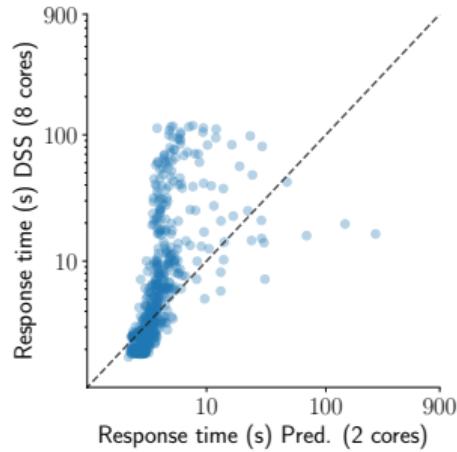


Figure: Response time of predicate abstraction (x-axis) vs. DSS (y-axis).

DSS introduces overhead which only pays-off for more complex tasks.
A parallel portfolio combines the best of both worlds.

Evaluation: Distribution of Workload

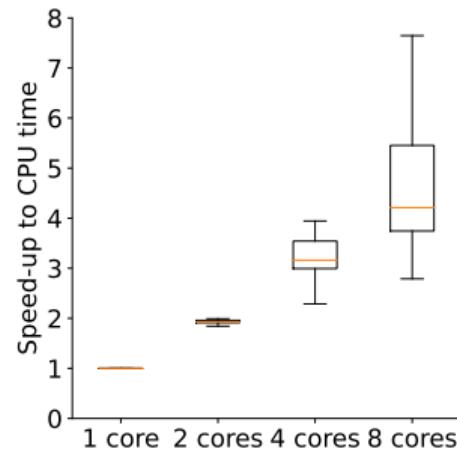


Figure: The ratio of the CPU time and the response time for 1, 2, 4, and 8 cores.

The workload is distributed effectively to multiple processing units.

Evaluation: Outperforming Predicate Analysis

Task	$\text{CPU}_{\mathbb{P}}(s)$	$\text{CPU}_{DSS}(s)$	$\text{RT}_{\mathbb{P}}(s)$	$\text{RT}_{DSS}(s)$	# threads
leds-leds-regulator...	44.8	33.2	30.8	7.18	92
rtc-rtc-ds1553.ko-l...	49.0	64.6	30.3	14.0	164
rtc-rtc-stk17ta8.ko...	46.7	67.9	28.9	15.1	162
watchdog-it8712f_w...	86.8	50.3	69.0	15.9	216
ldv-commit-tester/m0...	50.1	103	28.8	21.0	230

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A parallel portfolio combines the best of both worlds.

Related Approaches

Existing approaches have limitations that distributed summary synthesis solves, most importantly the potential to scale to many nodes:

- ▶ INFER [39, 40] scales well but reports many false alarms.
 ⇒ *DSS* inherits all properties of the underlying analysis.
- ▶ BAM [41] has nested blocks that are not parallelizable.
 ⇒ *DSS* parallelizes as much as possible.
- ▶ HiFROG [42] is bound to SMT-based model-checking algorithms.
 ⇒ *DSS* is domain-independent.

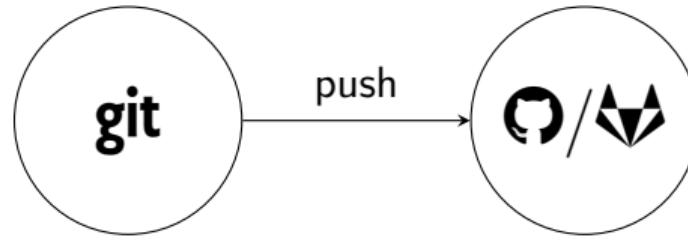
Conclusion

- ▶ DSS can decompose a verification task into independent smaller tasks.
- ▶ DSS is domain-independent.
- ▶ DSS effectively distributes the workload to multiple processing units.



Supplementary webpage

Support CI: CPA-Daemon

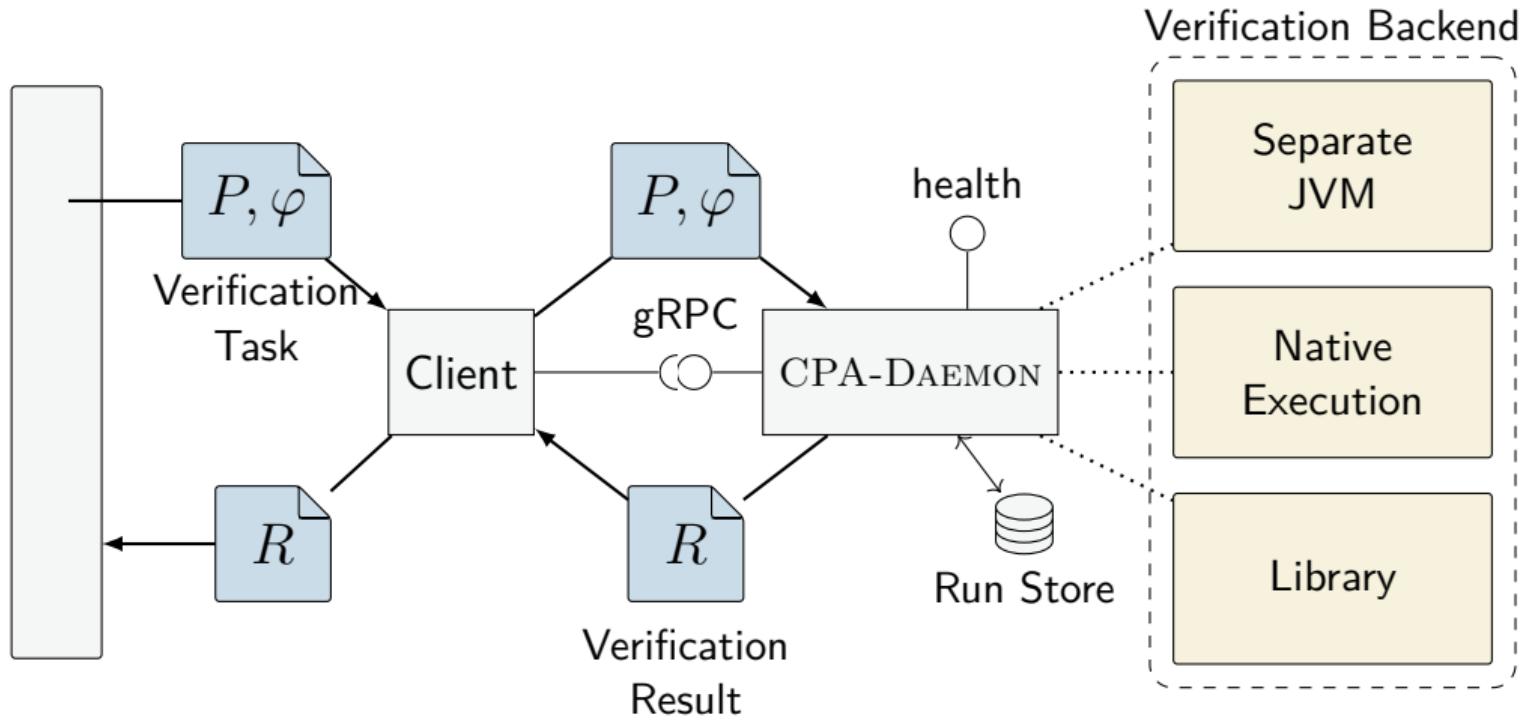


- ✓ Build
- ✓ Test
- ✗ Verify?

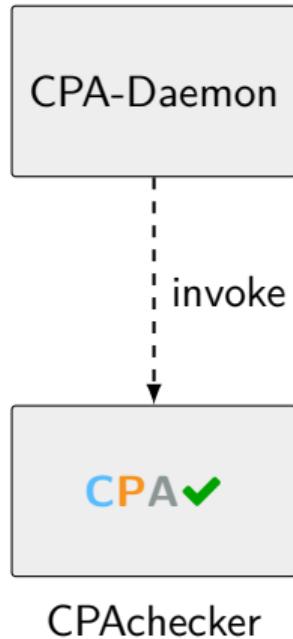
⌚ Challenge: **Machine friendly** interaction.

⌚ Challenge: Fast **response time**.

CPA-Daemon

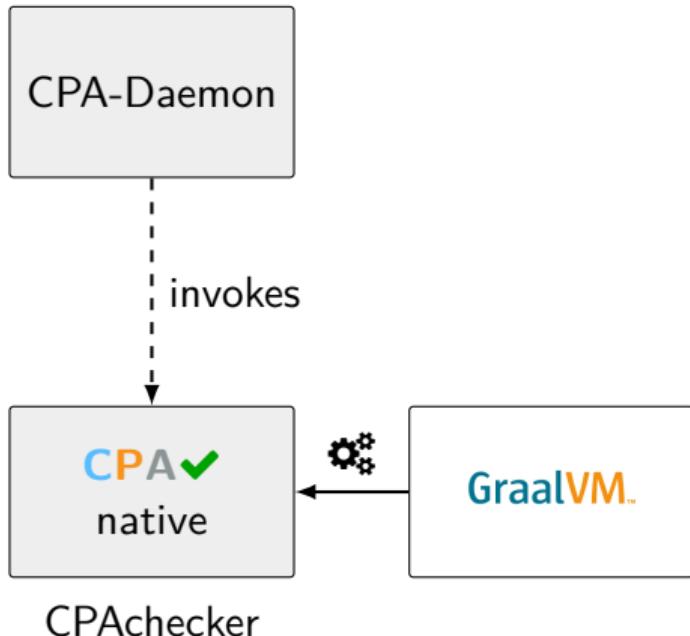


CPA-Daemon: Separate JVM



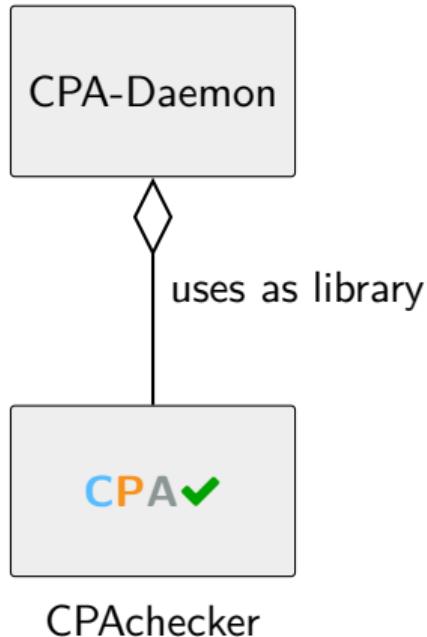
- ▶ **CPA✓** executed in a fresh JVM
- ▶ **Baseline:** Should work just like **CPA✓** alone

CPA-Daemon: Native Execution



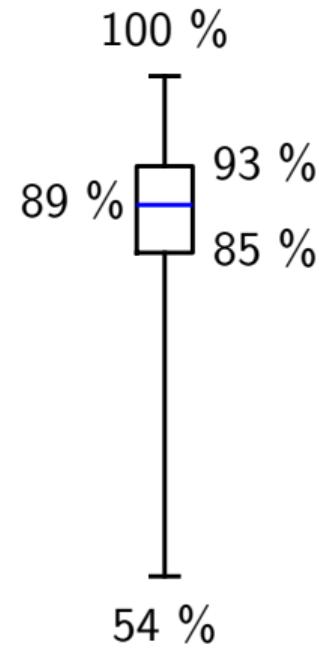
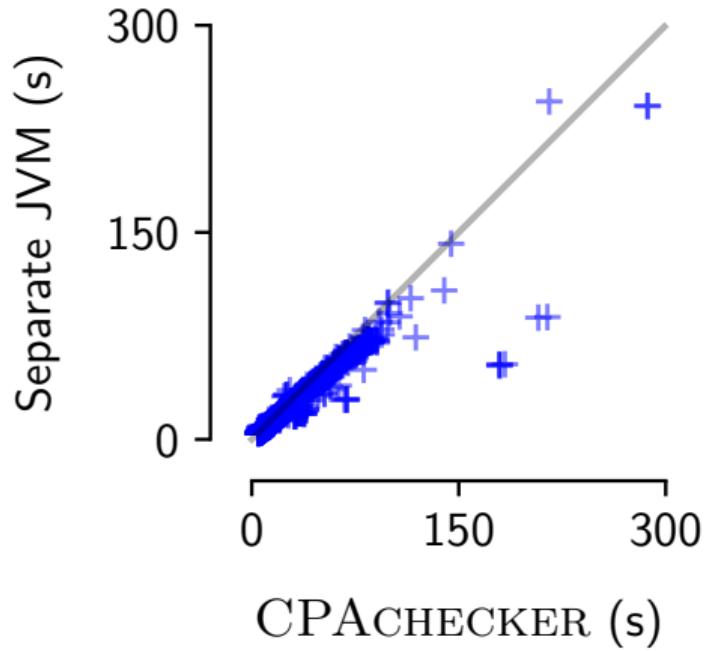
- ▶ compile **CPA✓** with GraalVM to native binary
- ▶ **CPA✓** as native ⇒ no JVM need
- ▶ ideally: Significant speedup

CPA-Daemon: Library

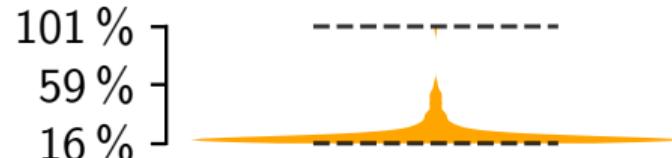
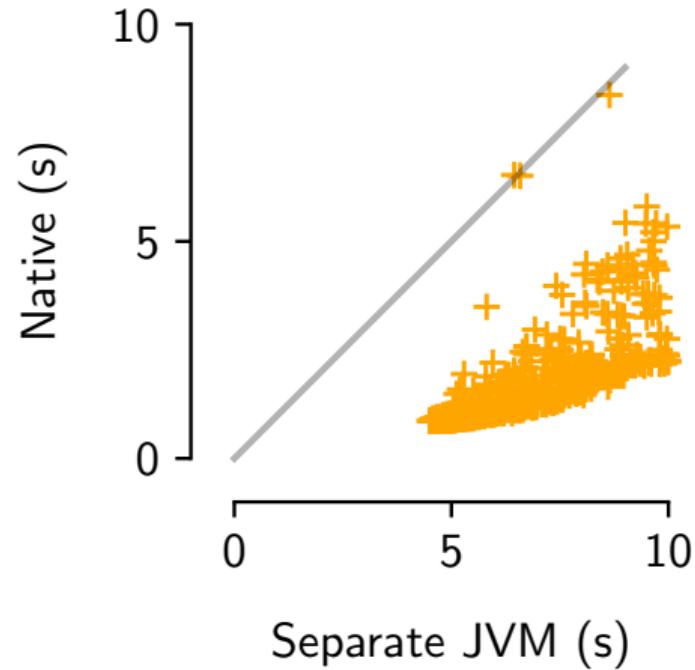


- ▶ **CPA-Daemon** is a continuously running service
- ▶ **CPA✓** executed in the same JVM

Overhead?

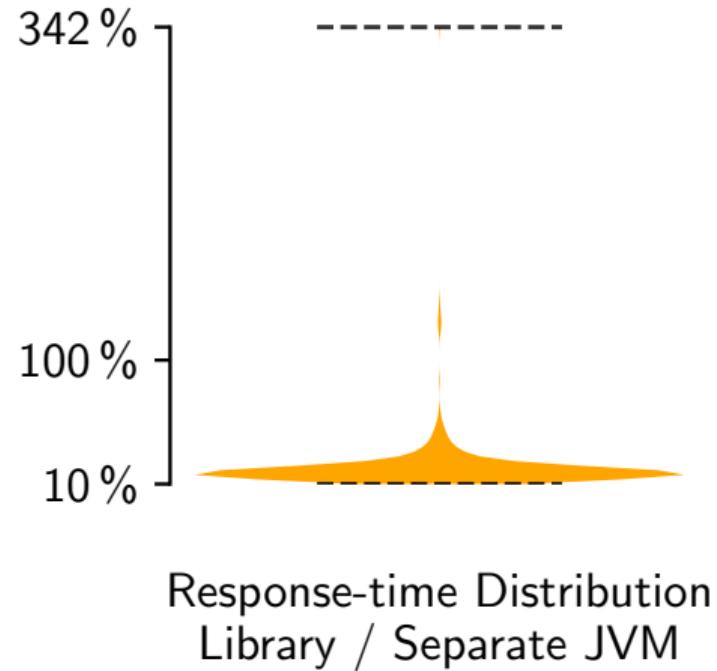
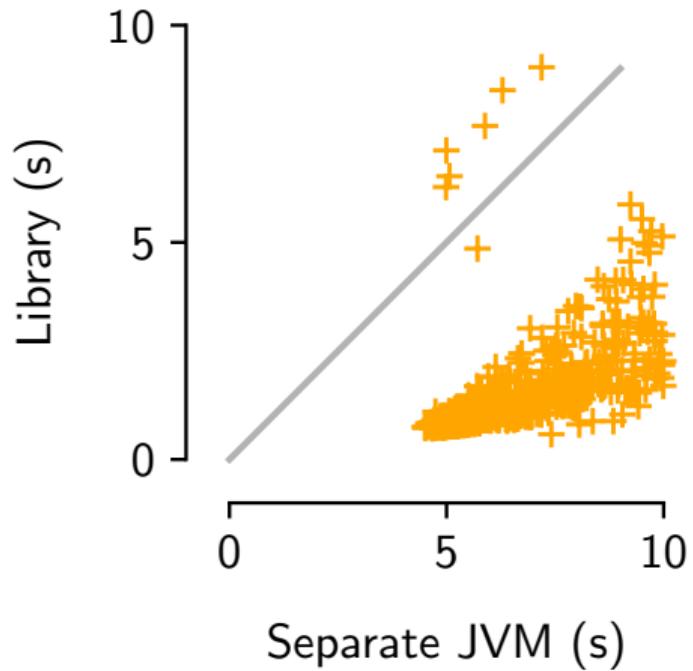


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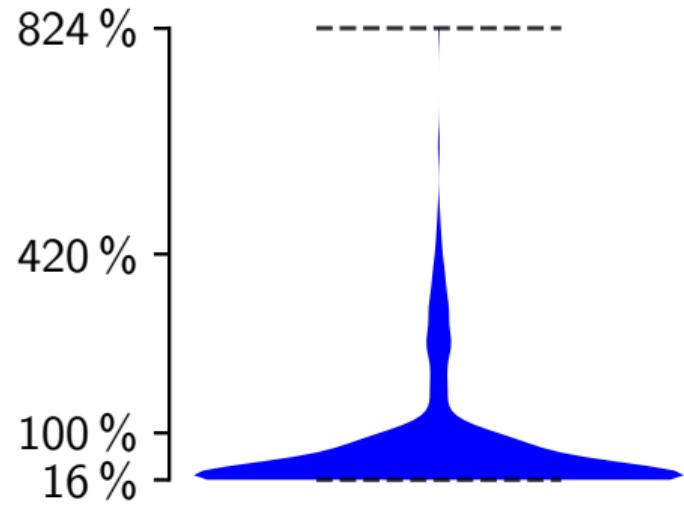
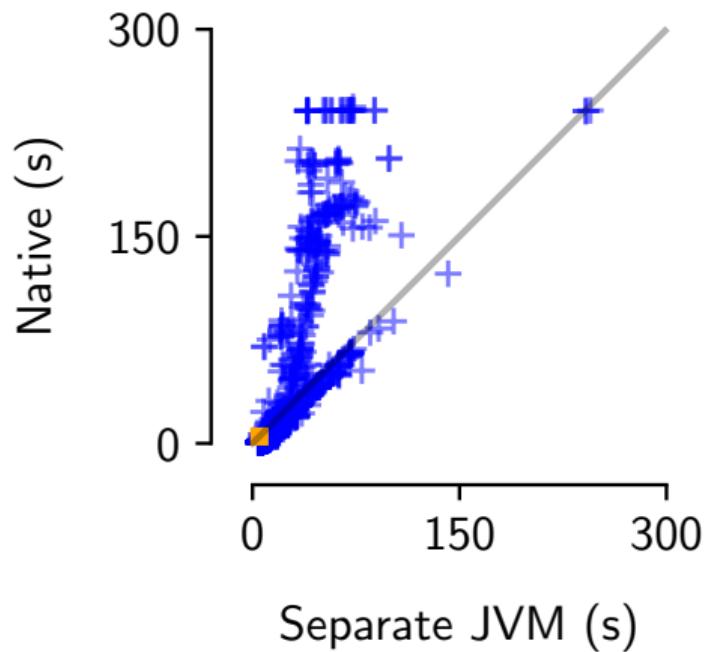


Response-time Distribution
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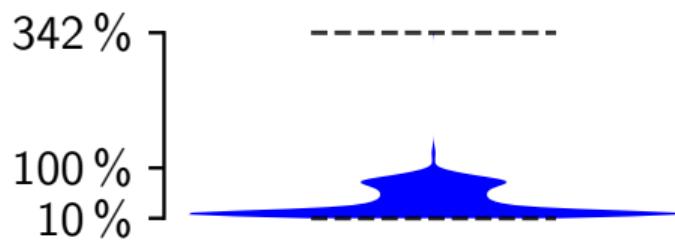
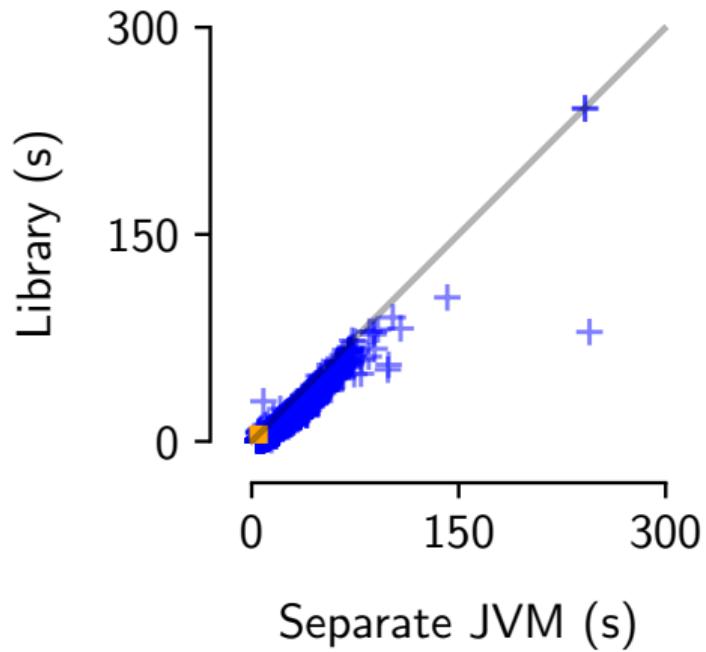


Scalability



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Question Session

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Feedback

Feedback welcome (same link as for questions):



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