# FM-TOOLS: Find, Use, and Conserve Tools for Formal Methods

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#### Vision

- All tools for formal methods work together to solve hard verification problems and make our world safer and more secure.
- Model checkers and theorem provers can be integrated into the software-development process as seamless as unit testing today.
- Model checkers, theorem provers, SMT solvers, and testers use common interfaces for interaction and composition.

## Some Steps Towards the Vision

**Find**: Which tools for software verification exist?

- In for test-case generation?
- In for SMT solving?
- In for hardware verification?
- Reuse: How to get executables?
- Where to find documentation?
- Am I allowed to use it?
- How to use them?
- **Conserve**: Which operating system, libraries, environment?

#### Requirements for Solution

- Support documentation and reuse
- Easy to query and generate knowledge base
- Long-term availability/executability of tools
- Must come with tool support
- Approach must be compatible with competitions

## Solution [1]

One central repository:

https://gitlab.com/sosy-lab/benchmarking/fm-tools which gives
information about:

- Location of the tool (via DOI, just like other literature)
- License
- Contact (via ORCID)
- Project web site
- Options
- Requirements (certain Docker container / VM)
- Limits

Maintained by formal-methods community

## Example: Entry for KeY

```
name: KeY
input_languages:
        - Java
project_url: https://www.key-project.org/
repository_url: https://github.com/KeYProject/key
spdx_license_identifier: GPL-2.0
benchexec_toolinfo_module: "benchexec.tools.key_cli"
fmtools_format_version: "2.0"
fmtools_entry_maintainers:
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## Example: KeY's Contacts

maintainers: - orcid: 0000-0002-5671-2555 name: Wolfgang Ahrendt institution: Chalmers University of Technology country: Sweden url: https://www.cse.chalmers.se/~ahrendt/ - orcid: 0000-0002-9672-3291 name: Bernhard Beckert institution: Karlsruhe Institute of Technology country: Germany url: https://formal.kastel.kit.edu/beckert/ - orcid: 0000-0001-8000-7613 name: Reiner Hähnle institution: TU Darmstadt country: Germany url: https://www.informatik.tu-darmstadt.de/se/gruppenmitglieder/groupmembers detailseite 30784.en.jsp - orcid: 0000-0002-2350-1831 name: Mattias Ulbrich institution: Karlsruhe Institute of Technology country: Germany url: https://formal.kastel.kit.edu/ulbrich/ - orcid: 0000-0001-8446-4598 name: Alexander Weigl institution: Karlsruhe Institute of Technology country: Germany url: https://formal.kastel.kit.edu/weigl/

## Example: KeY's Versions

versions:

- version: "2.13"

doi: 10.5281/zenodo.12945286

benchexec\_toolinfo\_options: []

required\_ubuntu\_packages:

- openjdk-21-jre-headless

base\_container\_images:

- ubuntu:22.04

## Example: KeY's Documentation

#### literature:

- doi: 10.1007/978-3-030-64354-6
  - title: "Deductive\_Software\_Verification:\_Future\_Perspectives\_
    - -\_Reflections\_on\_the\_Occasion\_of\_20\_Years\_of\_KeY"

year: 2020

- doi: 10.1007/978-3-319-49812-6

title: "Deductive\_Software\_Verification\_-\_The\_KeY\_Book\_-\_From\_ Theory\_to\_Practice"

year: 2016

- doi: 10.1007/978-3-319-12154-3\_4

title: "The\_KeY\_Platform\_for\_Verification\_and\_Analysis\_of\_ Java\_Programs"

year: 2014

- doi: 10.1007/s10270-004-0058-x

title: "The\_KeY\_Tool"

year: 2005

- doi: 10.1007/3-540-40006-0\_3

## Example: KeY's Web-Page Entry

Tools for Formal Methods: Tools	
Tools Techniques C	ompetitions Frameworks Input Languages Documentation of the YAML Schema 🗡 Code on 🦊 GitLab
Gazer-Theta GDart GDart-LLVM Goblint Graves-CPA Graves-Par GWIT	KeY KeY is a tool for deductive verification to prove the correctness of Java programs. Project URL: https://www.key-project.org/ Repository URL: https://github.com/KeYProject/key
Hornix HybridTiger Infer Iava-Ranger	Maintainers: • <sup>©</sup> Wolfgang Ahrendt • <sup>©</sup> Bernhard Beckert • <sup>©</sup> Richard Bubel • <sup>©</sup> Reiner Hähnle • <sup>©</sup> Mattias Ulbrich • <sup>©</sup> Alexander Weigl Supported input languages: • Java
JayHorn JBMC JCWIT	License: • GPL-2.0 Releases: • 2.13
KeY KLEE KLEEF Korn Lazy-CSeq Legion Legion/SymCC LF-checker LIV Locksmith	<ul> <li>Literature: Deductive Software Verification: Future Perspectives - Reflections on the Occasion of 20 Years of KeY. 2020. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-030-64354-6</li> <li>Deductive Software Verification - The KeY Book - From Theory to Practice. 2016. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-319-49812-6</li> <li>The KeY Platform for Verification and Analysis of Java Programs. 2014. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-319-49812-6</li> <li>The KeY Platform for Verification and Analysis of Java Programs. 2014. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-319-49812-6</li> <li>The KeY Tool. 2005. DOI: 10.1007/s10270-004-0058-x</li> <li>The KeY Approach: Integrating Object Oriented Design and Formal Verification. 2000. DOI: 10.1007/3-540-40006-0_3</li> </ul>

## FM-Tools is FAIR

Findable:

overview is available on internet, generated knowledge base

#### Accessible:

data retrievable via Git, format is YAML

#### Interoperable:

Format is defined in schema, archives identified by DOIs, researchers by ORCIDs

#### **R**eusable:

Data are CC-BY, each tool comes with a license, format of tool archive standardized

#### What about the Environment?



<sup>1</sup>Image: Flaticon.com

# FM-WECK: Run Tools in Conserved Environment [2, Proc. FM 2024]



tool

- No knowledge of the tools CLI needed
- ▶ Tool runs in a container (no dependencies on host system)

## FM-Weck: Architecture





- Download and execute tool in container
- No knowledge of tool needed

- Download and execute tool in container
- Expert knowledge about tool required
- Spin up interactive shell in tool environment

#### Conclusion

 $\operatorname{FM-TOOLS}$  collects and stores essential information to:

- Generate a knowledge base about formal-methods tools [1] https://fm-tools.sosy-lab.org
- Conserve tool versions and their required environment (with help by Zenodo and Podman/Docker)
- ▶ Run a tool in conserved environment via FM-WECK [2]

Please add your tool



#### https://gitlab.com/sosy-lab/benchmarking/fm-tools

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