

Automated Program Repair

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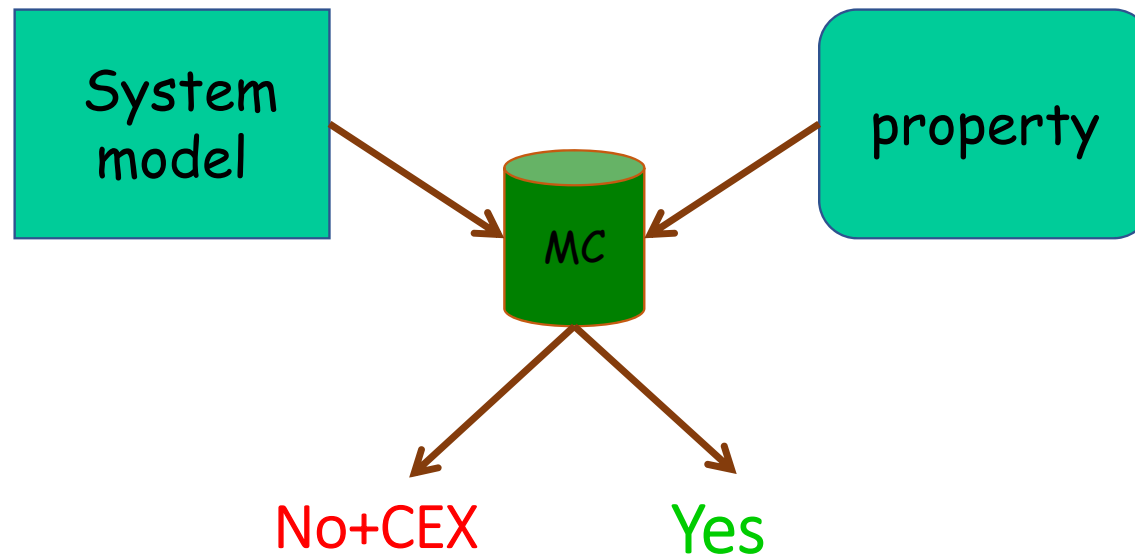
Why (formal) verification?

- safety-critical applications: **Bugs are unacceptable!**
 - Air-traffic controllers
 - Medical equipment
 - Cars
- Bugs found in later stages of the development are expensive
- Hardware and software systems grow in size and complexity: Subtle errors are hard to find by testing

Automated tools for formal verification are needed

Model Checking

- Given a system and a specification, does the system satisfy the specification.



Challenges in model checking

Model checking is successfully used for automated software and hardware verification, but more is needed:

- Scalability
- New types of systems
- New specifications (e.g. security)
- Applications in new areas

Technologies to help

Developed or adapted by the MC community

- SAT and SMT solvers
- Static analysis
- Abstraction - refinement
- Compositional verification
- Machine learning, automata learning

And many more...

Automated program repair

- **Model checking** finds bugs in the program
 - **Bug**: A program run that violates the specification
- **Repair tool** automatically suggests repair(s)
 - **Repair**: Changes to the program code, resulting in a correct program

In this talk

- Exploit Model Checking technologies for program repair
 - Mutation-Based Program Repair
 - Assume, Guarantee or Repair

Sound and Complete Mutation-Based Program Repair

[Rothenberg, Grumberg]

Mutation-Based Program Repair

Sequential
program

Assertions
in code

Given set
of
mutations

Can we use
these
mutations to
make all
assertions
hold?

Assignments,
conditionals,
loops and
function calls



Assertion
violation

operator
replacement
($+$ \rightarrow $-$),
constant
manipulation
($c \rightarrow c + 1$)

Return
all
possible
repairs

Example

```
int f(int x, int y){  
1.   int z;  
2.   if (x + y > 8) {  
3.       z = x + y;  
4.   } else {  
5.       z = 9;  
6.   }  
7.   if (z ≥ 9) z = z - 1;  
8.   assert(z > 8);  
9.   return z;  
}
```

$x = 5, y = 2$

$z = 9$

$z = 8$



Example

```
int f(int x, int y){  
1.   int z;  
2.   if (x + y > 8) {  
3.       z = x + y;  
4.   } else {  
5.       z = 9;  
6.   }  
7.   if (z ≥ 9) z = z + 1;  
8.   assert(z > 8);  
9.   return z;  
}
```

At this
point z
 ≥ 9



Mutation list:

- Replace + with -
- Replace - with +
- Replace > with \geq
- Replace \geq with >

Repair list:

option 1:

line 7: replace \geq with >

option 2:

line 7: replace - with +

Note:
Repairs
are
minimal

Example

```
int f(int x, int y){  
1.   int z;  
2.   if (x + y > 9) {  
3.       z = x + y;  
4.   } else {  
5.       z = 10;  
6.   }  
7.   if (z ≥ 9) z = z - 1;  
8.   assert(z > 8);  
9.   return z;  
}
```

At this
point z
 ≥ 10



Mutation list:

Replace + with -

Replace - with +

Replace > with \geq

Replace \geq with >

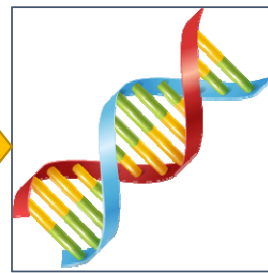
Increase constants by 1

Overview of our approach

```
int f(int x, int y){  
1.   int z;  
2.   if (x + y > 8) {  
3.       z = x + y;  
4.   } else {  
5.       z = 9;  
6.   }  
7.   if (z ≥ 9) z = z - 1;  
8.   assert(z > 8);  
9.   return z;  
}
```



Translation



Mutation



Repair

line 7: replace operator \geq with $>$
line 7: replace operator $-$ with $+$
...

Output:
All minimal repairs,
sorted by size

Input:
a buggy
program

Finding all **unsatisfiable constraint sets**
from a finite set of **programs**



First step - Translation

Goal: Translate the program into a **set of constraints** which is **satisfiable iff the program has a bug** (i.e. there exists an input for which an assertion fails)

Work by Clarke, Kroening, Lerda (TACAS 2004)
(CBMC)

- Simplification
- Unwinding of loops
 - a **bounded** number of unwinding
- Conversion to SSA

Correctness
is bounded

First step - Translation

```
int f(int x, int y){  
1.   int z;  
2.   if (x + y > 8) {  
3.       z = x + y;  
4.   } else {  
5.       z = 9;  
6.   }  
7.   if (z ≥ 9) z = z - 1;  
8.   assert(z > 8);  
9.   return z;  
}
```



```
{  $g_1 = x_1 + y_1 > 8$ ,  
   $z_2 = x_1 + y_1$ ,  
   $z_3 = 9$ ,  
   $z_4 = g_1 ? z_2 : z_3$ ,  
   $b_1 = z_4 \geq 9$ ,  
   $z_5 = z_4 - 1$ ,  
   $z_6 = b_1 ? z_5 : z_4$ ,  
   $z_6 \leq 8$   
}
```

First step - Translation

```
int f(int x, int y){  
1.   int z;  
2.   if (x + y > 8) {  
3.       z = x + y;  
4.   } else {  
5.       z = 9;  
6.   }  
7.   if (z ≥ 9) z = z - 1;  
8.   assert(z > 8);  
9.   return z;  
}
```



```
{ g1 = x1 + y1 > 8,  
  z2 = x1 + y1,  
  z3 = 9,  
  z4 = g1? z2: z3,  
  b1 = z4 ≥ 9,  
  z5 = z4 - 1,  
  z6 = b1? z5: z4,  
  z6 ≤ 8  
}
```


First step - Translation

```
int f(int x, int y){  
1.   int z;  
2.   if (x + y > 8) {  
3.       z = x + y;  
4.   } else {  
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8.   assert(z > 8);  
9.   return z;  
}
```



```
{ g1 = x1 + y1 > 8,  
  z2 = x1 + y1,  
  z3 = 9,  
  z4 = g1? z2: z3,  
  b1 = z4 ≥ 9,  
  z5 = z4 - 1,  
  z6 = b1? z5: z4,  
  z6 ≤ 8  
}
```

First step - Translation

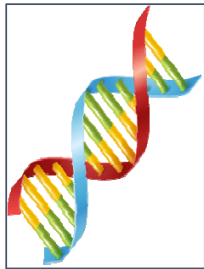
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2.   if (x + y > 8) {  
3.       z = x + y;  
4.   } else {  
5.       z = 9;  
6.   }  
7.   if (z ≥ 9) z = z - 1;  
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9.   return z;  
}
```



```
{ g1 = x1 + y1 > 8,  
  z2 = x1 + y1,  
  z3 = 9,  
  z4 = g1? z2: z3,  
  b1 = z4 ≥ 9,  
  z5 = z4 - 1,  
  z6 = b1? z5: z4,  
  z6 ≤ 8  
}
```

Translation

- In the translation, loops are unwound a **bounded** number of times
- **Important observation: correctness is bounded.**
That is, **repairs** found by our method only guarantee that **assertions cannot be violated** by inputs going through the loop at most **k times**



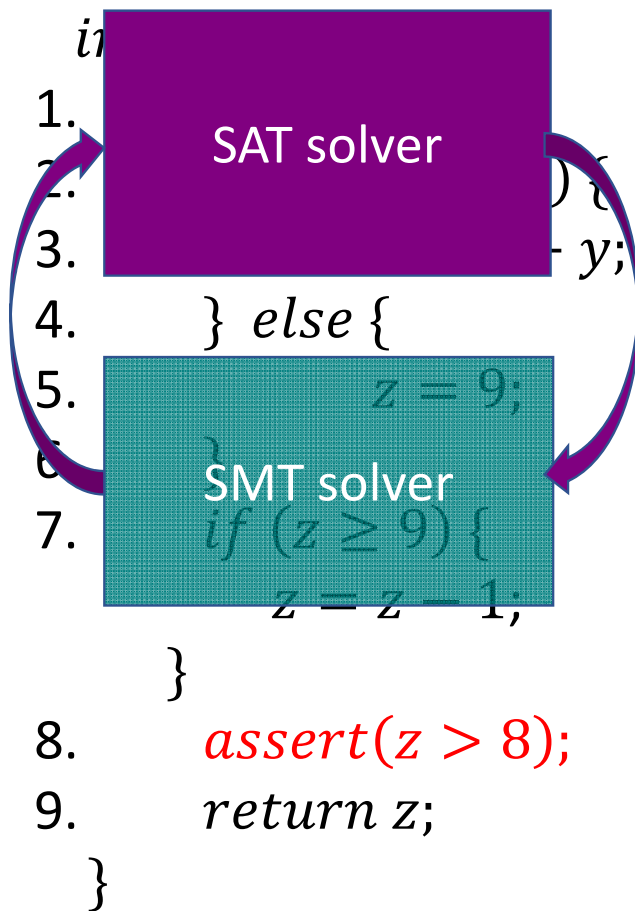
Second step - Mutation

Mutation list:
Replace + with -
Replace - with +
Replace > with \geq
Replace \geq with >

```
int f(int x, int y){  
1.   int z;  
2.   if (x + y > 8) {  
3.       z = x - y;  
4.   } else {  
5.       z = 9;  
6.   }  
7.   if (z  $\geq$  9) {  
       z = z - 1;  
   }  
8.   assert(z > 8);  
9.   return z;  
}
```

```
g1 = x1 + y1 > 8  
{ z2 = x1 + y1, z2 = x1 - y1 }  
{ z3 = 9 }  
z4 = g1? z2: z3  
{ b1 = z4  $\geq$  9, b1 = z4 > 9 }  
{ z5 = z4 - 1, z5 = z4 + 1 }  
z6 = b1? z5: z4  
z6  $\leq$  8
```

Third step - Repair



$$\{ z_2 = x_1 + y_1, z_2 = x_1 - y_1 \}$$

$$\{ z_3 = 9 \}$$

$$z_4 = g_1 ? z_2 : z_3$$

$$\{ b_1 = z_4 \geq 9, b_1 = z_4 > 9 \}$$

$$\{ z_5 = z_4 - 1, z_5 = z_4 + 1 \}$$

$$z_6 = b_1 ? z_5 : z_4$$

$$z_6 \leq 8$$

Third step - Repair

SAT solver:

Checks satisfiability of a propositional formula

- If it is satisfiable - returns a satisfying assignment

Generates mutated programs of increasing size

SMT solver:

Checks satisfiability of a first-order formula over theory (e.g., linear arithmetic)

- If it is satisfiable - returns a satisfying assignment

Checks (bounded) correctness of the mutated programs



Repair

$$\begin{array}{c} c_1 \\ \{g_1 = x_1 + y_1 > 8, g_1 = x_1 - y_1 > 8, \\ \quad \quad \quad c_2 \\ \quad \quad \quad g_1 = x_1 + y_1 \geq 8\} \\ c_3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} c_4 \\ \{z_2 = x_1 + y_1, z_2 = x_1 - y_1\} \\ c_5 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} c_6 \\ \{z_3 = 9\} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} c_7 \\ \{b_1 = z_4 \geq 9, b_1 = z_4 > 9\} \\ c_8 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} c_9 \\ \{z_5 = z_4 - 1, z_5 = z_4 + 1\} \\ c_{10} \end{array}$$

SAT solver

Choose candidate program of **size = 1**

SMT solver

$$z_4 = g_1? z_2 : z_3$$

$$z_6 = b_1? z_5 : z_4$$

$$z_6 \leq 8$$



Repair

$$\{g_1 = x_1 + y_1 > 8, \boxed{g_1 = x_1 - y_1 > 8}, g_1 = x_1 + y_1 \geq 8\}$$

C_3

$$\boxed{z_2 = x_1 + y_1}, z_2 = x_1 - y_1\}$$

C_4 C_5

$$\boxed{z_3 = 9}$$

C_6

$$\boxed{b_1 = z_4 \geq 9}, b_1 = z_4 > 9\}$$

C_7 C_8

$$\boxed{z_5 = z_4 - 1}, z_5 = z_4 + 1\}$$

C_9 C_{10}

SAT solver

Choose candidate program of **size = 1**

SAT

- $c_1 = 0$
- $c_2 = 1$
- $c_3 = 0$
- $c_4 = 1$
- $c_5 = 0$
- $c_6 = 1$
- $c_7 = 1$
- $c_8 = 0$
- $c_9 = 1$
- $c_{10} = 0$

SMT solver

$$z_4 = g_1? z_2 : z_3$$

$$z_6 = b_1? z_5 : z_4$$

$$z_6 \leq 8$$



Repair

$$\{g_1 = x_1 + y_1 > 8, \boxed{g_1 = x_1 - y_1 > 8}, g_1 = x_1 + y_1 \geq 8\}$$

c_3

$$\boxed{z_2 = x_1 + y_1}, z_2 = x_1 - y_1$$

c_4 c_5

$$\boxed{z_3 = 9}$$

c_6

$$\boxed{b_1 = z_4 \geq 9}, b_1 = z_4 > 9$$

c_7 c_8

$$\boxed{z_5 = z_4 - 1}, z_5 = z_4 + 1$$

c_9 c_{10}

Choose candidate program of *size = 1*

SMT solver

$$z_4 = g_1? z_2 : z_3$$

$$z_6 = b_1? z_5 : z_4$$

$$z_6 \leq 8$$

$$g_1 = x_1 - y_1 > 8$$

$$z_2 = x_1 + y_1$$

$$z_3 = 9$$

$$b_1 = z_4 \geq 9$$

$$z_5 = z_4 - 1$$

SAT

$$c_1 = 0$$

$$c_2 = 1$$

$$c_3 = 0$$

$$c_4 = 1$$

$$c_5 = 0$$

$$c_6 = 1$$

$$c_7 = 1$$

$$c_8 = 0$$

$$c_9 = 1$$

$$c_{10} = 0$$



Repair

$$\begin{array}{l}
 c_1 \\
 \{g_1 = x_1 + y_1 > 8, \boxed{g_1 = x_1 - y_1 > 8}, \\
 \quad \quad \quad c_2 \\
 \quad \quad \quad g_1 = x_1 + y_1 \geq 8\} \\
 \quad \quad \quad c_3
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 c_4 \\
 \boxed{z_2 = x_1 + y_1}, z_2 = x_1 - y_1\} \text{ SAT} \\
 c_5 \\
 \quad \quad \quad c_6 \\
 \quad \quad \quad \boxed{z_3 = 9} \\
 \quad \quad \quad \text{(not a repair)}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 c_7 \\
 \boxed{b_1 = z_4 \geq 9}, b_1 = z_4 > 9\} \\
 c_8
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 c_9 \\
 \boxed{z_5 = z_4 - 1}, z_5 = z_4 + 1\} \\
 c_{10}
 \end{array}$$

Choose candidate program of **size = 1**

SAT

- $c_1 = 0$
- $c_2 = 1$
- $c_3 = 0$
- $c_4 = 1$
- $c_5 = 0$
- $c_6 = 1$
- $c_7 = 1$
- $c_8 = 0$
- $c_9 = 1$
- $c_{10} = 0$

SMT solver

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 z_4 = g_1? z_2: z_3 & g_1 = x_1 - y_1 > 8 \\
 z_6 = b_1? z_5: z_4 & z_2 = x_1 + y_1 \\
 z_6 \leq 8 & z_3 = 9 \\
 & b_1 = z_4 \geq 9 \\
 & z_5 = z_4 - 1
 \end{array}$$



Repair

$$\begin{array}{l}
 c_1 \\
 \{g_1 = x_1 + y_1 > 8, \boxed{g_1 = x_1 - y_1 > 8}, \\
 \quad g_1 = x_1 + y_1 \geq 8\} \\
 c_3
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 c_4 \\
 \boxed{z_2 = x_1 + y_1}, z_2 = x_1 - y_1 \\
 c_5 \\
 \{z_3 = 9\} \\
 c_6
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 c_7 \\
 \boxed{b_1 = z_4 \geq 9}, b_1 = z_4 > 9 \\
 c_8
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 c_9 \\
 \boxed{z_5 = z_4 - 1}, z_5 = z_4 + 1 \\
 c_{10}
 \end{array}$$

SAT
(not a
repair)

SAT solver

Choose candidate program of **size = 1**
Blocking clause for similar assignments

SMT solver

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 z_4 = g_1? z_2: z_3 & g_1 = x_1 - y_1 > 8 \\
 z_6 = b_1? z_5: z_4 & z_2 = x_1 + y_1 \\
 z_6 \leq 8 & z_3 = 9 \\
 & b_1 = z_4 \geq 9 \\
 & z_5 = z_4 - 1
 \end{array}$$



Repair

c_1

c_2

SAT solver

Blocking clause for "similar" assignments

- Assignments causing a similar bug***

$$\{ \overset{c_9}{z_5 = z_4 - 1}, \overset{c_{10}}{z_5 = z_4 + 1} \}$$

$$z_6 \leq 8$$

$$b_1 = z_4 \geq 9$$

$$z_5 = z_4 - 1$$



Repair

$$\begin{array}{l}
 c_1 \quad c_2 \\
 \{g_1 = x_1 + y_1 > 8, g_1 = x_1 - y_1 > 8, \\
 \quad g_1 = x_1 + y_1 \geq 8\} \\
 c_3 \\
 c_4 \quad c_5 \\
 \{z_2 = x_1 + y_1, z_2 = x_1 - y_1\} \\
 c_6 \\
 \{z_3 = 9\} \\
 c_7 \quad c_8 \\
 \{b_1 = z_4 \geq 9, b_1 = z_4 > 9\} \\
 c_9 \quad c_{10} \\
 \{z_5 = z_4 - 1, z_5 = z_4 + 1\}
 \end{array}$$

SAT solver

Choose candidate program of **size = 1**
 Blocking clause for similar assignments

SAT
 $c_1 = 1$
 $c_2 = 0$
 $c_3 = 0$
 $c_4 = 1$
 $c_5 = 0$
 $c_6 = 1$
 $c_7 = 0$
 $c_8 = 1$
 $c_9 = 1$
 $c_{10} = 0$

SMT solver

$$\begin{array}{l}
 z_4 = g_1? z_2: z_3 \\
 z_6 = b_1? z_5: z_4 \\
 z_6 \leq 8 \\
 g_1 = x_1 + y_1 > 8 \\
 z_2 = x_1 + y_1 \\
 z_3 = 9 \\
 b_1 = z_4 > 9 \\
 z_5 = z_4 - 1
 \end{array}$$



Repair

SAT solver

Choose candidate program of **size = 1**
Blocking clause for similar assignments

SAT
 $c_1 = 1$
 $c_2 = 0$
 $c_3 = 0$
 $c_4 = 1$
 $c_5 = 0$
 $c_6 = 1$
 $c_7 = 0$
 $c_8 = 1$
 $c_9 = 1$
 $c_{10} = 0$

c_1 c_2
 $\{g_1 = x_1 + y_1 > 8, g_1 = x_1 - y_1 > 8,$
 $g_1 = x_1 + y_1 \geq 8\}$
 c_3

c_4 c_5
 $\{z_2 = x_1 + y_1, z_2 = x_1 - y_1\}$ UNSAT

c_6
 $\{z_3 = 9\}$

c_7 c_8
 $\{b_1 = z_4 \geq 9, b_1 = z_4 > 9\}$

c_9 c_{10}
 $\{z_5 = z_4 - 1, z_5 = z_4 + 1\}$

(repair found!)

SMT solver

$z_4 = g_1? z_2: z_3$
 $z_6 = b_1? z_5: z_4$
 $z_6 \leq 8$

$g_1 = x_1 + y_1 > 8$
 $z_2 = x_1 + y_1$
 $z_3 = 9$
 $b_1 = z_4 > 9$
 $z_5 = z_4 - 1$



Repair

$$\{ \overset{c_2}{g_1 = x_1 + y_1 > 8}, \overset{c_2}{g_1 = x_1 - y_1 > 8}, \overset{c_3}{g_1 = x_1 + y_1 \geq 8} \}$$

$$\{ \overset{c_4}{z_2 = x_1 + y_1}, \overset{c_5}{z_2 = x_1 - y_1} \}$$

$$\{ \overset{c_6}{z_3 = 9} \}$$

$$\{ \overset{c_7}{b_1 = z_4 \geq 9}, \overset{c_8}{b_1 = z_4 > 9} \}$$

$$\{ \overset{c_9}{z_5 = z_4 - 1}, \overset{c_{10}}{z_5 = z_4 + 1} \}$$

UNSAT
(repair found!)

Choose candidate program of **size = 1**
Blocking clause for similar assignments
Blocking clause for this assignment
And all other supersets of changes

SMT solver

$$\begin{array}{l} z_4 = g_1? z_2: z_3 \\ z_6 = b_1? z_5: z_4 \\ z_6 \leq 8 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} g_1 = x_1 + y_1 > 8 \\ z_2 = x_1 + y_1 \\ z_3 = 9 \\ b_1 = z_4 > 9 \\ z_5 = z_4 - 1 \end{array}$$

SAT
 $c_1 = 1$
 $c_2 = 0$
 $c_3 = 0$
 $c_4 = 1$
 $c_5 = 0$
 $c_6 = 1$
 $c_7 = 0$
 $c_8 = 1$
 $c_9 = 1$
 $c_{10} = 0$



Repair

c_1

c_2

SAT solver

- Blocking clause for this assignment
and all other supersets of changes***
- ***Repairs that are not minimal***



Repair

$$\{ \boxed{g_1 = x_1 + y_1 > 8}, g_1 = x_1 - y_1 > 8, \\ g_1 = x_1 + y_1 \geq 8 \}$$

c_3

$$\{ \boxed{z_2 = x_1 + y_1}, z_2 = x_1 - y_1 \}$$

c_4 c_5

$$\{ \boxed{z_3 = 9} \}$$

c_6

$$\{ b_1 = z_4 \geq 9, \boxed{b_1 = z_4 > 9} \}$$

c_7 c_8

$$\{ \boxed{z_5 = z_4 - 1}, z_5 = z_4 + 1 \}$$

c_9 c_{10}

UNSAT
(repair found!)

Choose candidate program of **size = 1**
Blocking clause for similar assignments
Blocking clause for this assignment
And all other supersets of changes

SMT solver

$$\begin{array}{l} z_4 = g_1? z_2: z_3 \\ z_6 = b_1? z_5: z_4 \\ z_6 \leq 8 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} g_1 = x_1 + y_1 > 8 \\ z_2 = x_1 + y_1 \\ z_3 = 9 \\ b_1 = z_4 > 9 \\ z_5 = z_4 - 1 \end{array}$$

- SAT
- $c_1 = 1$
 - $c_2 = 0$
 - $c_3 = 0$
 - $c_4 = 1$
 - $c_5 = 0$
 - $c_6 = 1$
 - $c_7 = 0$
 - $c_8 = 1$
 - $c_9 = 1$
 - $c_{10} = 0$
- UNSAT



Repair

$$\{ \boxed{g_1 = x_1 + y_1 > 8}, g_1 = x_1 - y_1 > 8, \\ g_1 = x_1 + y_1 \geq 8 \}$$

c_3

$$\{ \boxed{z_2 = x_1 + y_1}, z_2 = x_1 - y_1 \}$$

c_4 c_5

$$\{ \boxed{z_3 = 9} \}$$

c_6

$$\{ b_1 = z_4 \geq 9, \boxed{b_1 = z_4 > 9} \}$$

c_7 c_8

$$\{ \boxed{z_5 = z_4 - 1}, z_5 = z_4 + 1 \}$$

c_9 c_{10}

UNSAT
(repair found!)

Choose candidate program of **size = 1**
Blocking clause for similar assignments
Blocking clause for this assignment
And all other supersets of changes

SMT solver

$$\begin{aligned} z_4 &= g_1? z_2: z_3 & g_1 &= x_1 + y_1 > 8 \\ z_6 &= b_1? z_5: z_4 & z_2 &= x_1 + y_1 \\ & & z_3 &= 9 \\ & & b_1 &= z_4 > 9 \\ z_6 &\leq 8 & z_5 &= z_4 - 1 \end{aligned}$$

SAT

$c_1 = 1$
 $c_2 = 0$
 $c_3 = 0$
 $c_4 = 1$
 $c_5 = 0$
 $c_6 = 1$
 $c_7 = 0$
 $c_8 = 1$
 $c_9 = 1$
 $c_{10} = 0$



Repair

$$\{ \overset{c_1}{g_1 = x_1 + y_1 > 8}, \overset{c_2}{g_1 = x_1 - y_1 > 8}, \overset{c_3}{g_1 = x_1 + y_1 \geq 8} \}$$

$$\{ \overset{c_4}{z_2 = x_1 + y_1}, \overset{c_5}{z_2 = x_1 - y_1} \} \text{ UNSAT}$$

$$\{ \overset{c_6}{z_3 = 9} \}$$

$$\{ \overset{c_7}{b_1 = z_4 \geq 9}, \overset{c_8}{b_1 = z_4 > 9} \}$$

$$\{ \overset{c_9}{z_5 = z_4 - 1}, \overset{c_{10}}{z_5 = z_4 + 1} \}$$

Choose candidate program of **size = 2**
 Blocking clause for similar assignments
 Blocking clause for this assignment
 And all other supersets of changes

UNSAT
 (repair found!)

SMT solver

$$\begin{aligned} z_4 &= g_1? z_2: z_3 & g_1 &= x_1 + y_1 > 8 \\ z_6 &= b_1? z_5: z_4 & z_2 &= x_1 + y_1 \\ z_6 &\leq 8 & z_3 &= 9 \\ & & b_1 &= z_4 > 9 \\ & & z_5 &= z_4 - 1 \end{aligned}$$

SAT
 $c_1 = 1$
 $c_2 = 0$
 $c_3 = 0$
 $c_4 = 1$
 $c_5 = 0$
 UNSAT
 $c_6 = 1$
 $c_7 = 0$
 $c_8 = 1$
 $c_9 = 1$
 $c_{10} = 0$

Making repair more efficient

Repair traverses the **search space** of all mutated programs

- running iterations of **Generate - Validate**

Goal: reducing the search space

1. When a **correct mutated program** is generated (Validate **succeeds**)
 - Eliminating non-minimal correct mutated programs
2. When a **buggy mutated program** is generated (Validate **fails**)
 - Eliminate "similar" buggy mutated programs

Correct mutated program

Successful repair:

A set of mutations M that results in a (bounded) correct program

Eliminate non-minimal repairs:

Any superset of M is not minimal

- Add a blocking clause to the SAT solver that disallows to choose any superset of M

Buggy mutated program

Unsuccessful repair:

A set of mutations M that results in a buggy program

Elimination:

- Find a small explanation S for the bug
 - S is a set of statements in the code
- Disallow any mutated program, containing S

Fault localization

Fault localization: A (small) explanation S to a bug

In other works:

- **May** explanation
 - Changes to statements from S **may** result in a repaired program

Fault localization

Fault localization: A (small) explanation S to a bug

In our work:

- **Must** explanation
 - If **none** of the statements in S is changed, then
 - regardless of changes applied to other statement
 - **the same bug will remain**
- $\Rightarrow S$ must be changed

Reducing the search space

For a **must** fault localization S :

- **Remove** from the **search space** all programs containing **S**
- If S is **small**, more programs will be removed

Fault localization: example

```
int f(int x, int y){  
1. int z;  
2. z = x  
3.   if (x >= 0) {  
4.       x = x + 1; y = x + 2;  
5.   } else {  
6.       z = 9;  
       }  
7.   assert(z > 0);  
8.   return z;  
   }
```

Fault localization: example

```
int f(int x, int y){  
1. int z; int t;  
2. z = x  
3.   if (x >= 0) {  
4.       x = x + 1; y = x + 2;  
5.   } else {  
6.       z = 9;  
       }  
7.   assert(z > 0);  
8.   return z;  
}
```

erroneous run:

$x=0, y=0$

$z=0$

$x=1, y=2$

$z=0$

Repair: line 3 should change to $(x > 0)$

Fault localization by slicing

	execution slice	dynamic slice	our slice
<i>int f(int x, int y){</i>			
1. <i>int z; int t;</i>			
2. <i>z = x</i>	•	•	•
3. <i>if (x >= 0) {</i>	•		•
4. <i> x = x + 1; y = 0;</i>	•		
5. <i> } else {</i>			
6. <i> z = 9;</i>			
<i>}</i>			
7. <i>assert(z > 0);</i>	•	•	•
8. <i>return z;</i>			
<i>}</i>			

Theorem:

Our algorithm is sound and complete

That is, for a given bound **b**:

A program is returned by our algorithm
iff

it is **minimal** and **b-bounded correct**

- Minimal number of changes
- Every assertion reachable along a computation of bounded length **b** is correct

Ver.	Method of [11]		Method of [12]		Our method			
	Fixed?	Time[s]	Fixed?	Time[s]	Fixed?	Time[s]	Fixed?	Time[s]

		Level 1	Level 2
Op. replacement	Arithmetic	{+, -}, {*, /, %}	{+, -, *, /, %}
	Relational	{>, >=}, {<, <=}	{>, >=, <, <=}, {==, !=}
	Logical	{ , &&}	
	Bit-wise	{>>, <<}, {&, , ^}	
Constant manipulation			C → C+1, C → C-1, C → -C, C → 0

28	+	34	+	35		+	93.678
31					+	1.246	4.661
32					+	1.902	85.349
35	+	41	+	46		+	92.866
36	+	8	+	6		+	94.599
39	+	82	+	101	+	2.558	16.393
40							

ForEnSiC.

16 (39%)	38	15 (36.6%)	38	11 (26.83%)	2.278	18 (43.9%)	48.151
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Adding fault localization

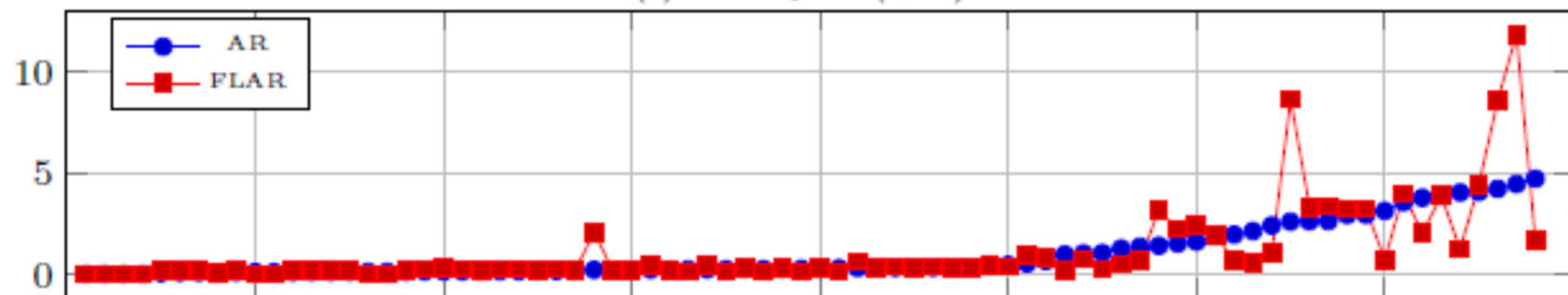
Every generate-validate iteration with fault localization is **more expensive**

- But we expect to have **less iterations**

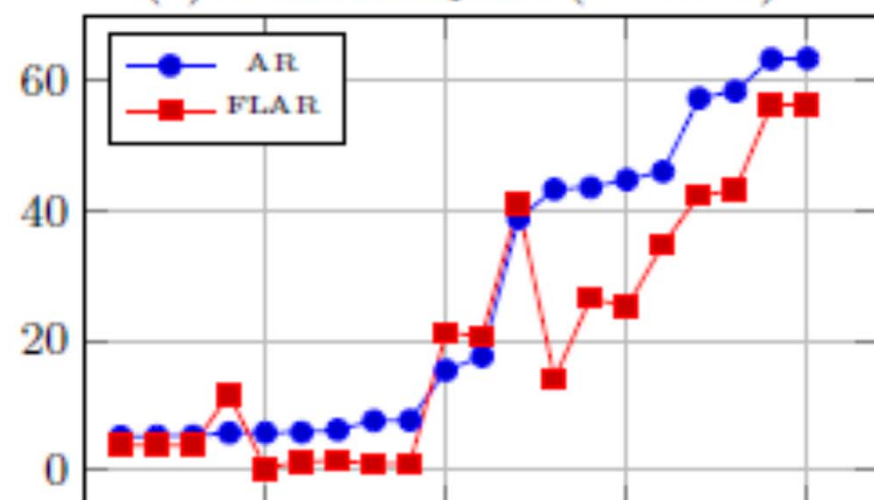
Both AllRepair and FL-AllRepair are **complete**

- return the **same set of repaired programs**
- **Not necessarily in the same order**

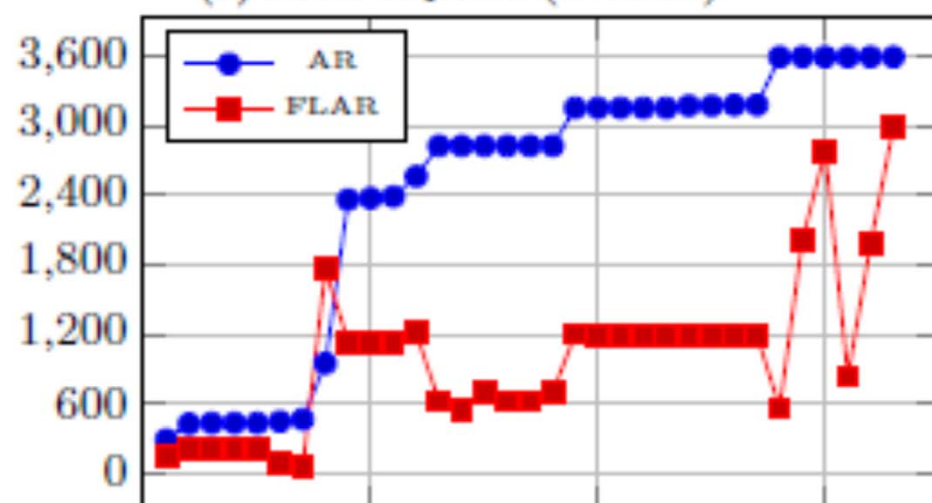
(a) Fast repairs ($< 5s$)



(b) Medium repairs (5 – 240s)



(c) Slow repairs (> 240s)



Summary

Mutation-based automated repair can assist a programmer in debugging in initial stages of development

- When bugs are simple, but many
- It also can help beginner programmers
 - Educational tool for students
- Analysis can be used to prioritize the returned repaired programs

Assume, Guarantee or Repair

[Frenkel, Grumberg, Pasareanu, Sheinvald]

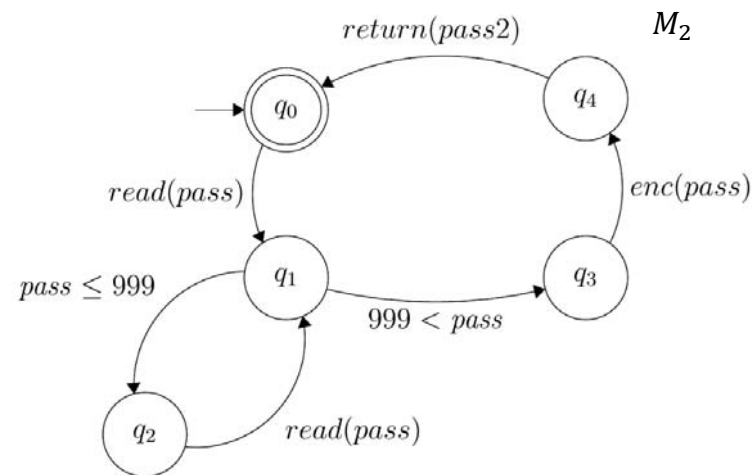
Motivation

- Find bugs in a **large** system
- Model checking of large systems may not scale
- **Compositional model checking** verifies small components and conclude the correctness of the full system
- If a vulnerability is found, **repair** is applied to one of the components

Communicating systems

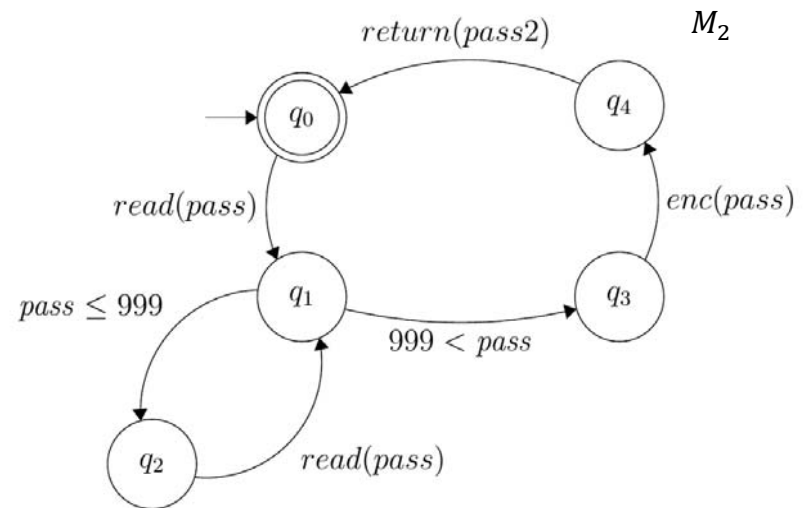
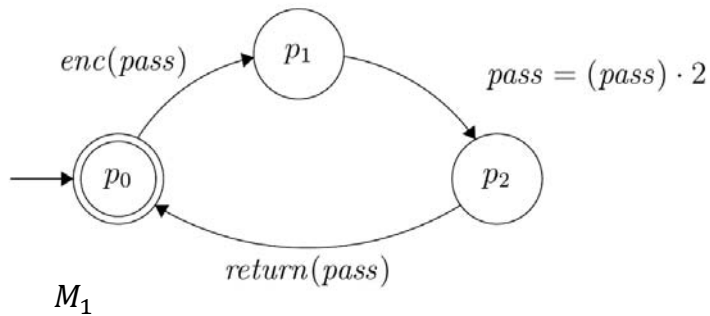
- C-like programs
- Described as a control-flow graph (automaton)
- Use **automata learning** algorithms

```
1: while (true)
2:   pass = readInput;
3:   while (pass ≤ 999)
4:     pass = readInput;
5:     pass2 = encrypt(pass);
6:     return pass2;
```



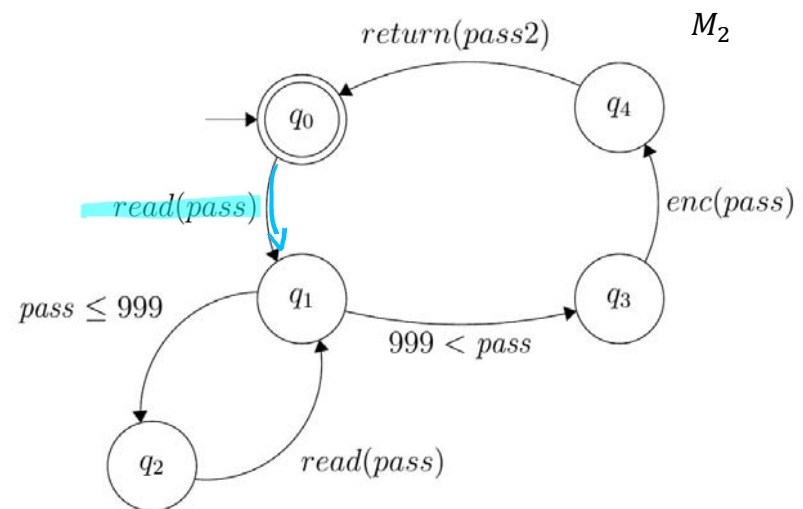
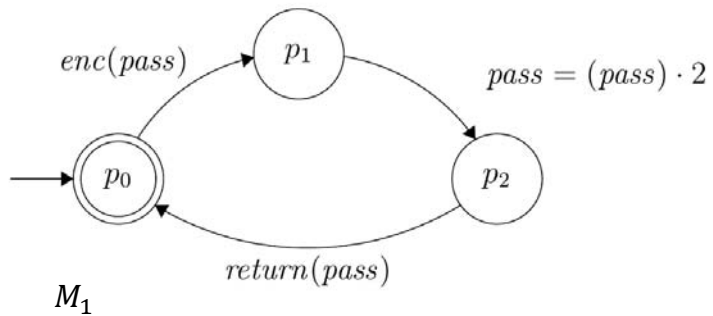
Example

- Components synchronize over common channels



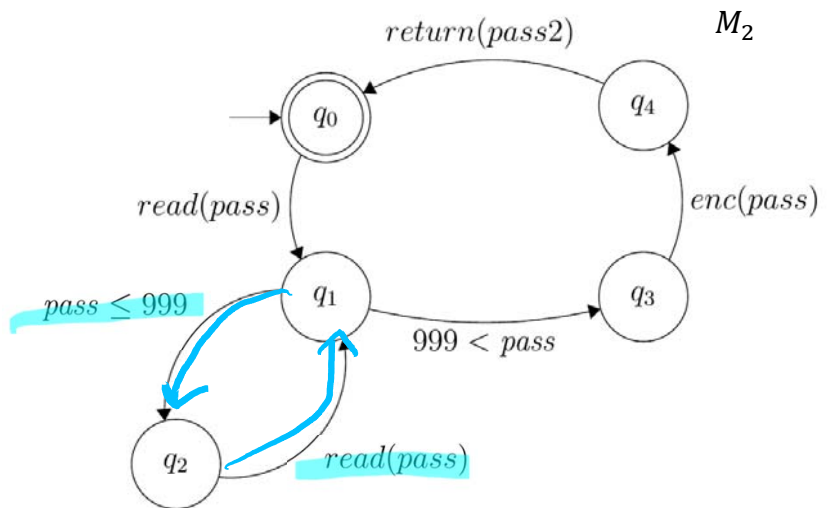
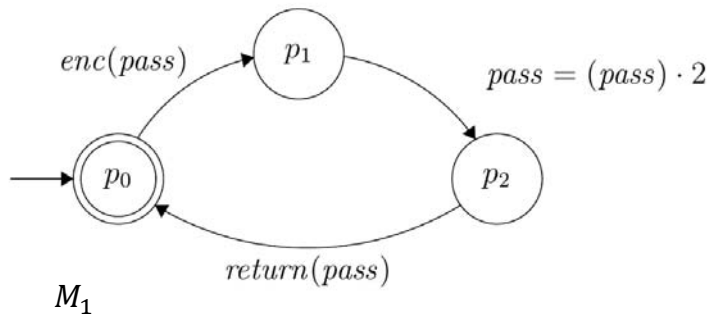
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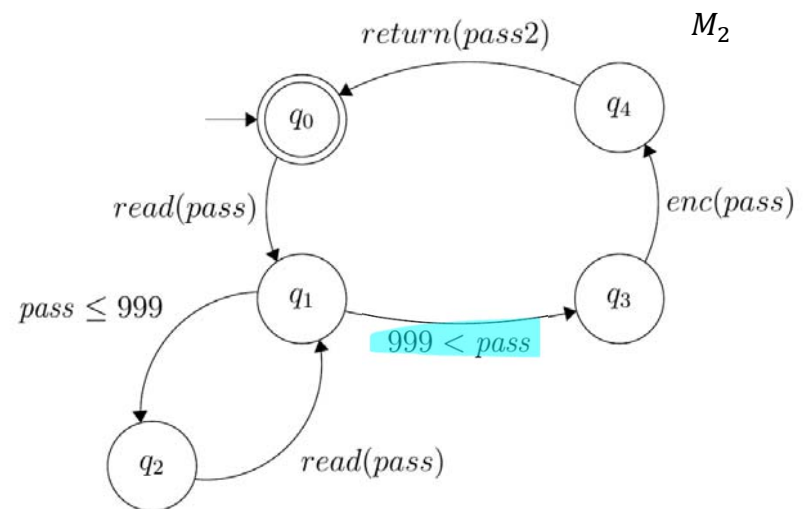
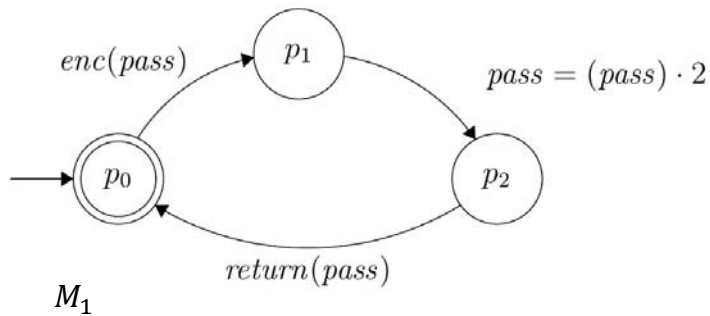
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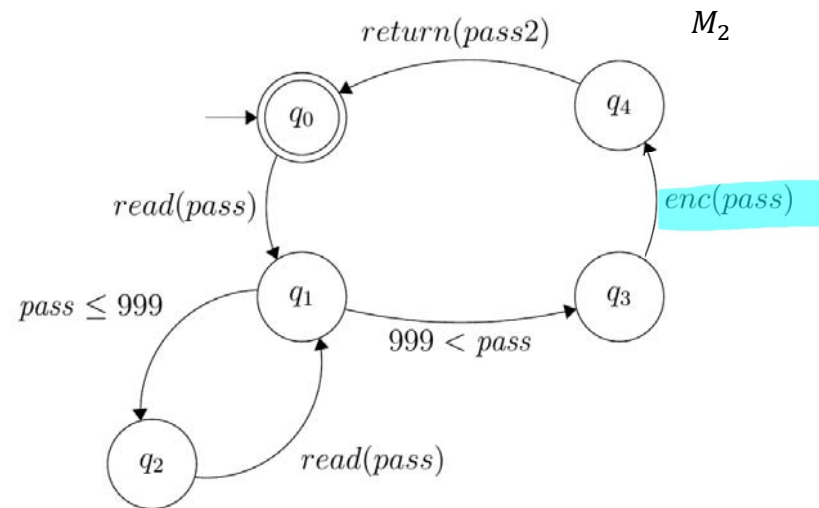
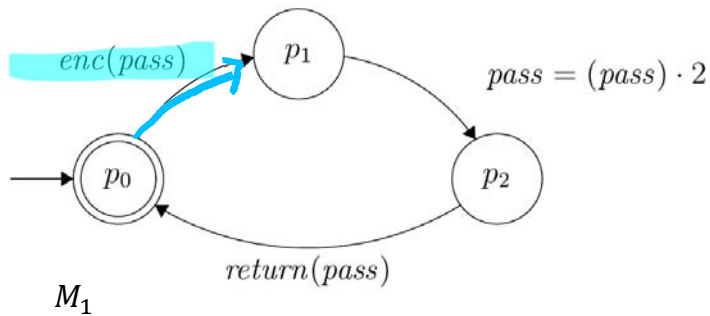
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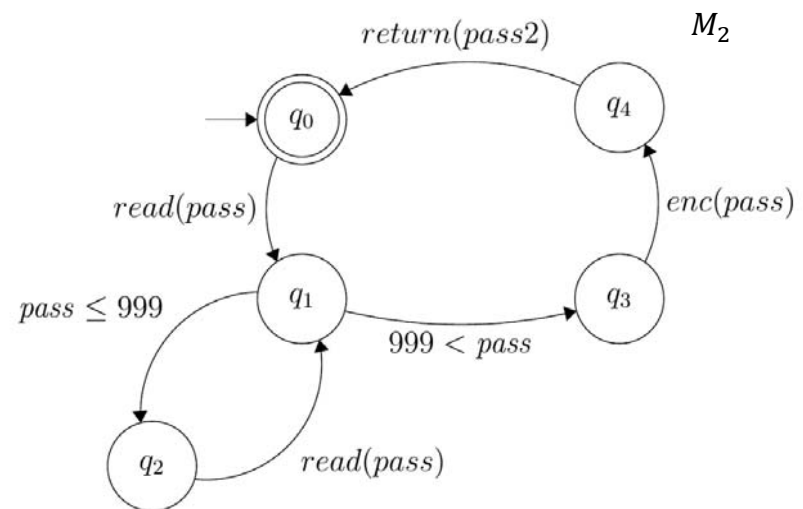
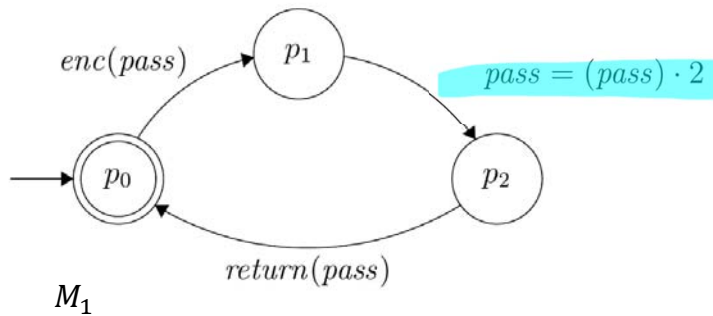
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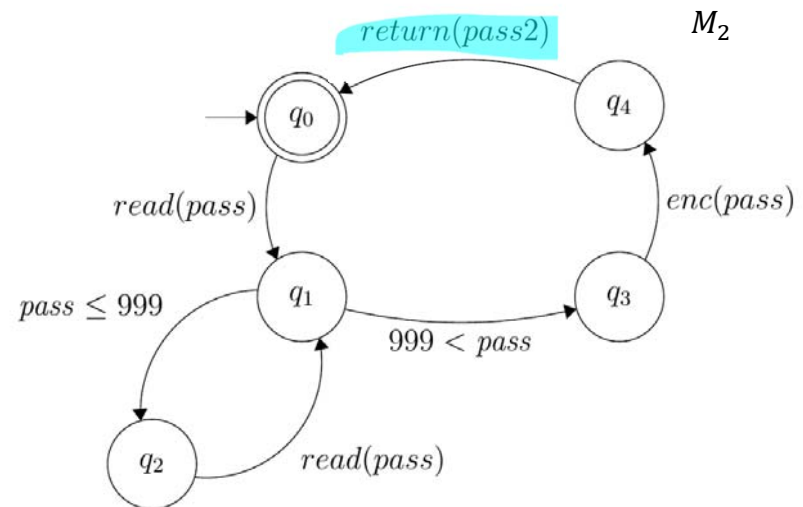
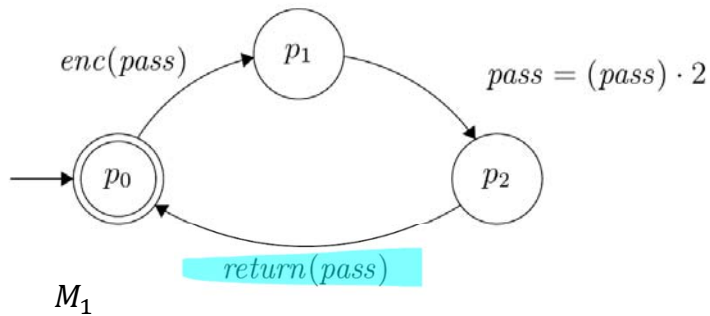
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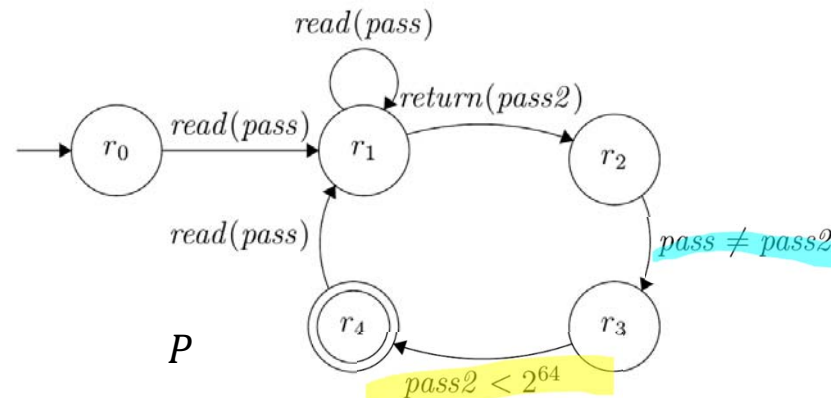
Example

- Components synchronize over common channels



Specifications

- Safety requirements - given as an automaton
- Behavior of the program through time
- "the entered password is different from the encrypted password"
- "there is no overflow"

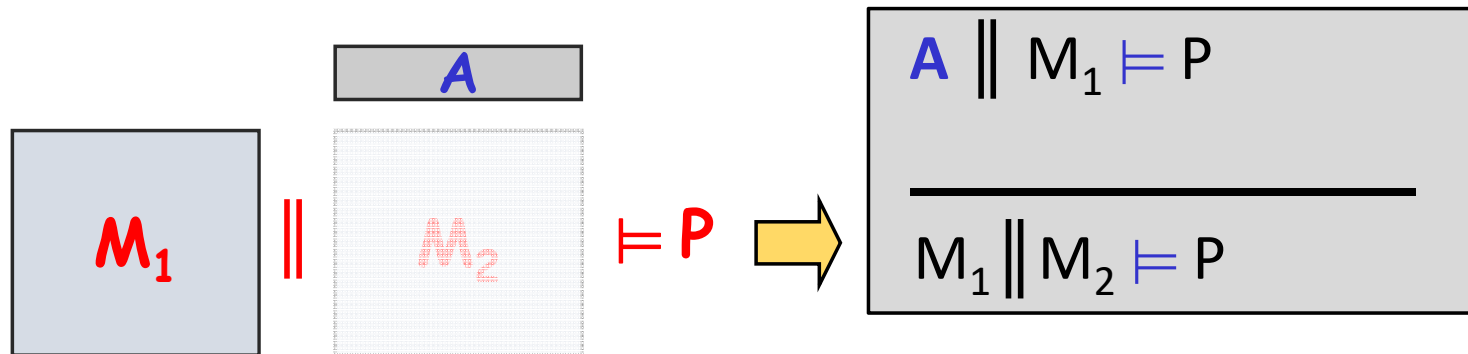


Compositional Verification

- **Inputs:**
 - composite system $M_1 \parallel M_2$
 - property P
- **Goal:** check if $M_1 \parallel M_2 \models P$

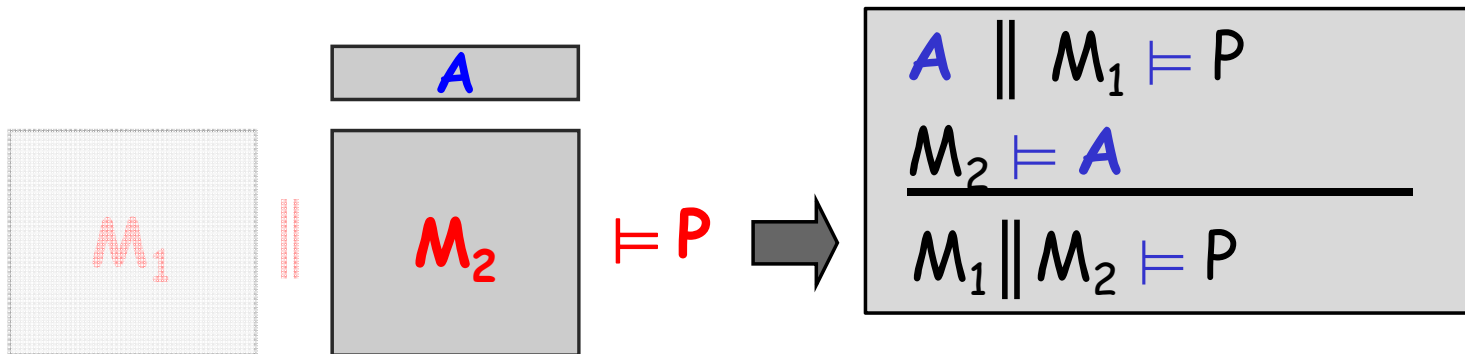
Useful AG Rule

1. check if a component M_1 guarantees P when it is a part of a system satisfying assumption A

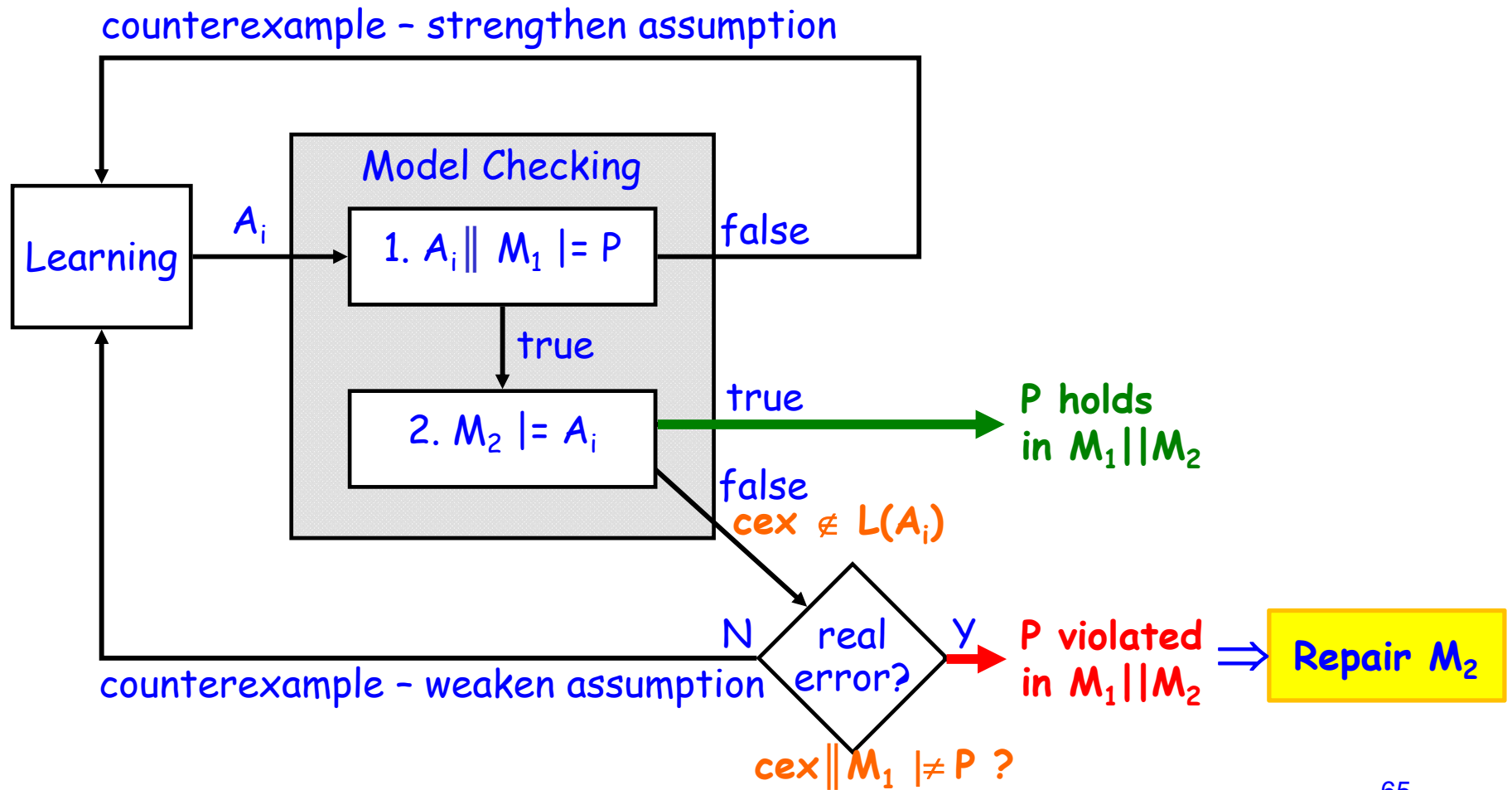


Useful AG Rule for Safety Properties

1. check if a component M_1 guarantees P when it is a part of a system satisfying assumption A
2. show that the other component M_2 (the environment) satisfies A .



Assume Guarantee or Repair



Semantic repair

- The counterexample contains **constraint**
- **Goal:**
to make the counterexample **infeasible** by adding another constraint **c** to it
- **Using abduction**

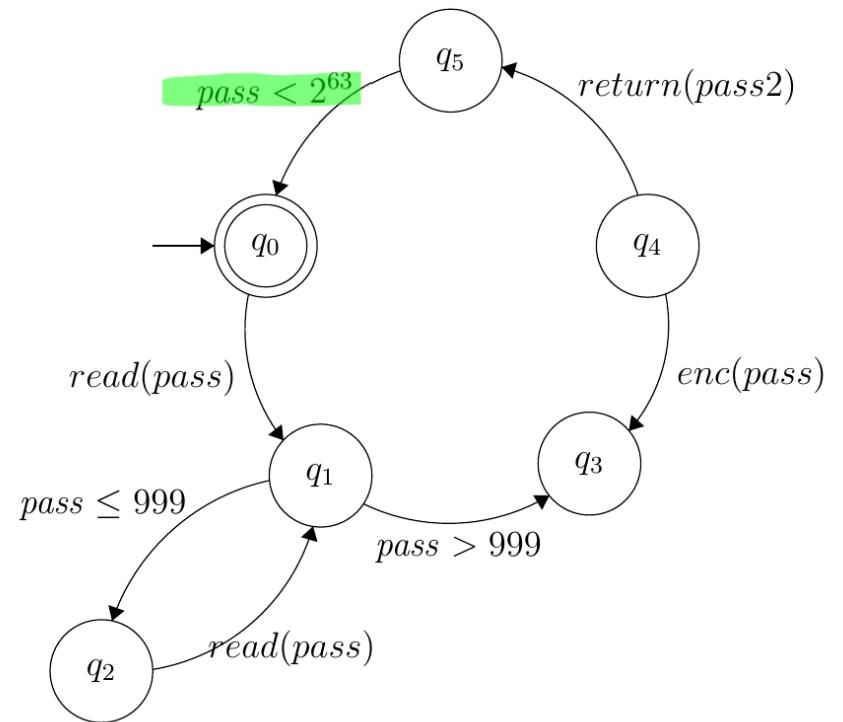
Semantic repair

- learn a constraint \mathcal{C} such that:
- $\mathcal{C} \wedge pass > 999 \wedge pass2 = pass \cdot 2 \rightarrow pass2 < 2^{64}$
- \mathcal{C} is over the input variables of M_2 : $pass$

- $\mathcal{C} := \forall pass2 [pass > 999 \wedge pass2 = pass \cdot 2 \rightarrow pass2 < 2^{64}]$
- After quantifier elimination & simplification: $\mathcal{C} = pass < 2^{63}$.

Abduction - "Logical Magic"

Semantic Repair



```
1: while (true)
2:   pass = readInput;
3:   while (pass ≤ 999 or pass ≥ 263)
4:     pass = readInput;
5:     pass2 = encrypt(pass);
6:     return pass2;
```

Syntactic repair

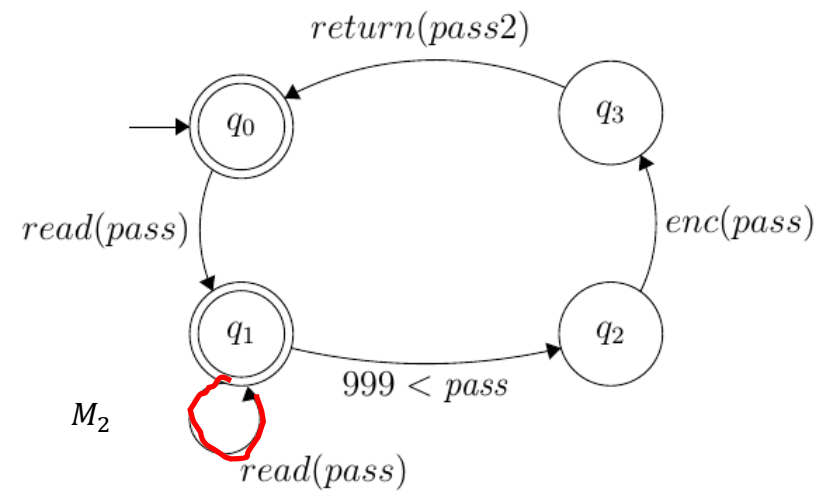
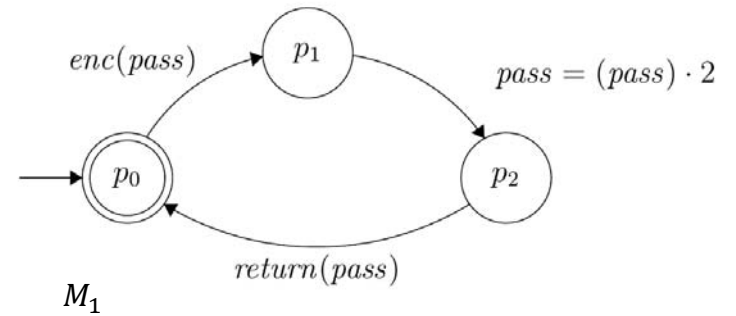
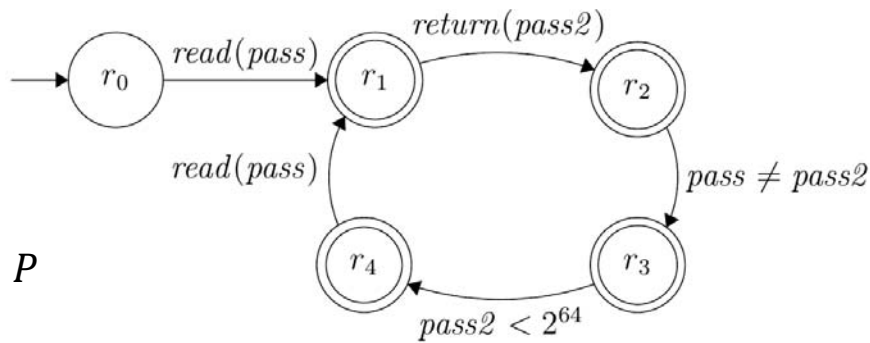
- The counterexample t contains **no constraint**
 - It consists of communication actions and assignments
- **Abduction will not help**

3 methods to removing counterexample t :

- **Exact:** remove exactly t from M_2
- **Approximate:**
- **Aggressive:**

Example - Syntactic Repair

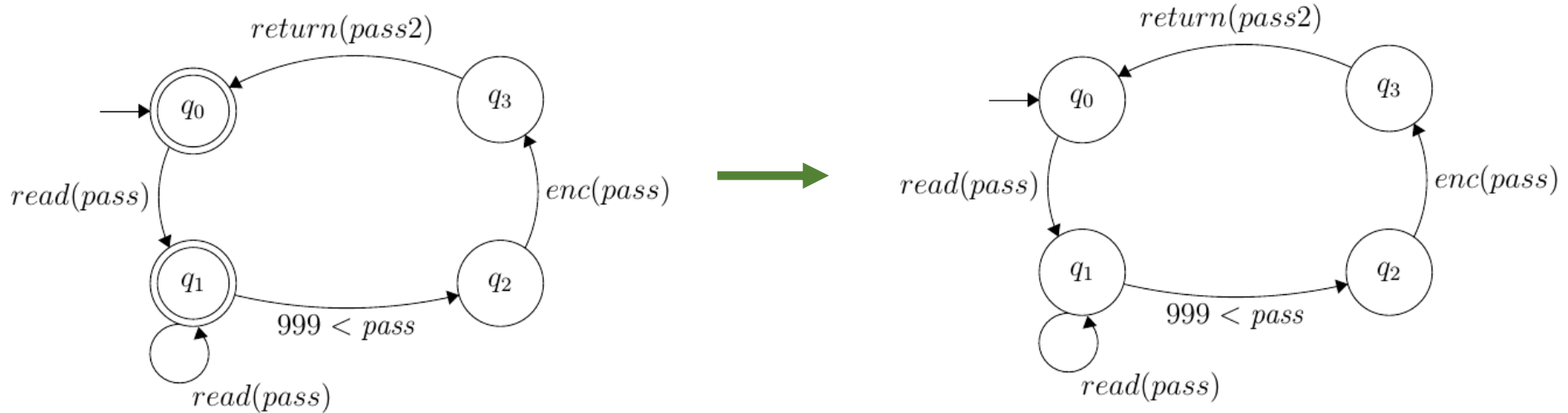
No self loop, cannot *read* more than once each time!



Multiple reads are allowed

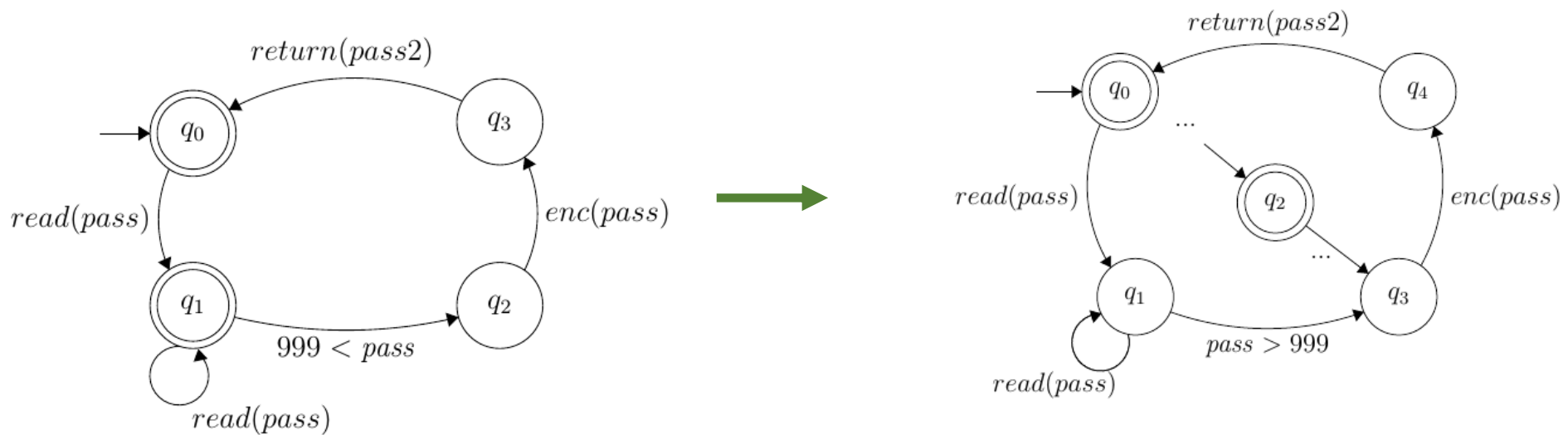
Agressive Repair

- Remove accepting states (can make the language of M_2 empty)



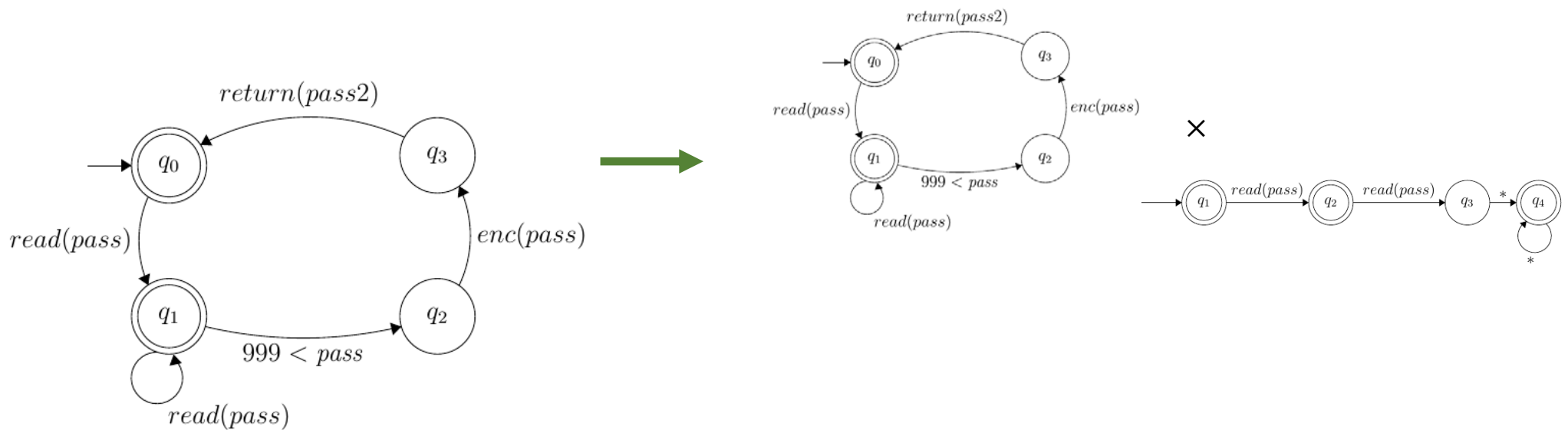
Approximate Repair

- Add an intermediate state to eliminate bad traces



Exact Repair

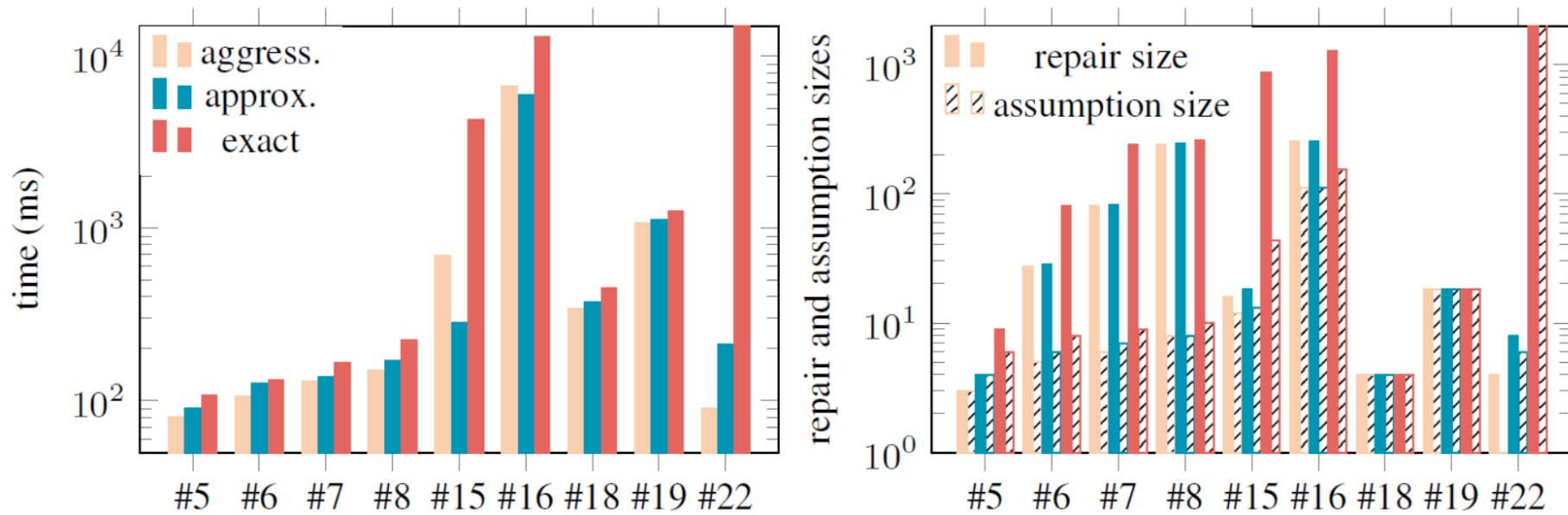
- Remove bad traces one by one
- First bad trace spotted is *read(pass)*, *read(pass)*



AGR Results on Various Examples

Example	M_1 Size	M_2 Size	P Size	Time (sec.)	A size	Repair Size	Repair Method	#Iterations
#4	64	64	3	95	7	verification		
#6	2	27	2	0.106	5	27	aggress.	2
				0.126	6	28	approx.	2
				0.132	8	81	exact	2
#7	2	81	2	0.13	6	81	aggress.	2
				0.138	7	82	approx.	2
				0.165	9	243	exact	2
#8	2	243	2	0.15	8	243	aggress.	2
				0.17	8	244	approx.	2
				0.223	10	729	exact	2
#11	5	256	6	4.88	92	verification		
#14	5	256	6	4.44	109	verification		
#15	3	16	5	0.69	12	16	aggress.	5
				0.28	13	18	approx.	3
				4.27	44	864	exact	5
#16	4	256	8	6.63	113	256	aggress.	2
				5.94	113	257	approx.	2
				12.87	155	1280	exact	2
#19	3	16	5	1.07	18	18	aggress.	3
				1.12	18	18	approx.	3
				1.26	18	18	exact	3
#22	2	4	2	0.09	1	4 (trivial)	aggress.	4
				0.21	6	8	approx.	5
					timeout		exact	timeout

Comparing Repair Methods (logarithmic scale)



#15, #16, #18, #19 apply also abduction

Summary

- **Learning-based Assume guarantee** algorithm for **infinite-state** communicating programs
- **Incremental** automata learning algorithm
- **Semantic** and **syntactic repair**
- **Experiments** provide proof of concept

Thank you