

CSE 331 Software Design and Implementation

Lecture 23 Verified Systems

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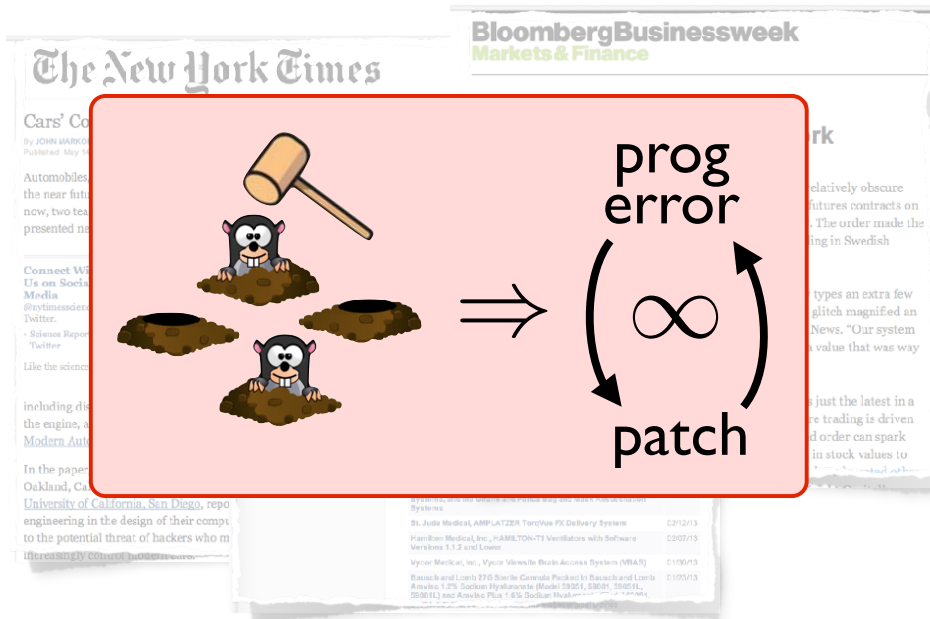
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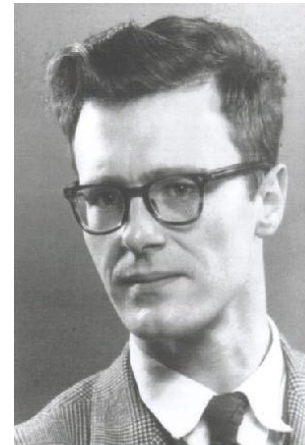
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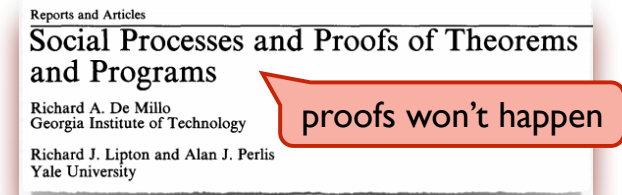
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When exhaustive testing is impossible, our trust can only be based on proof.



Edsger W. Dijkstra
Under the Spell of Leibniz's Dream



... not just a dream!

Proof Assistant Based Verification

Code in language suited for reasoning

Develop correctness proof in synch

Fully formal, *machine checkable* proof

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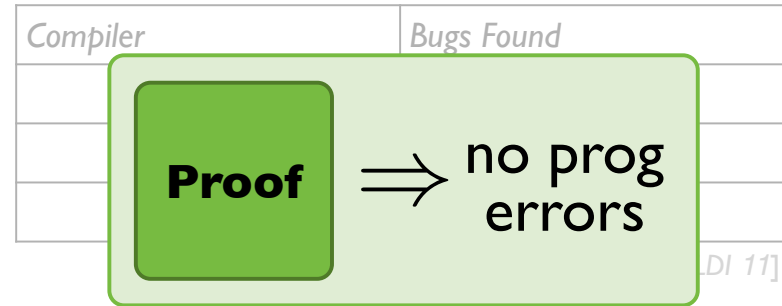
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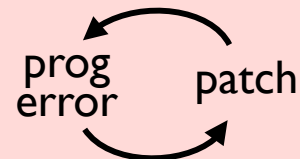
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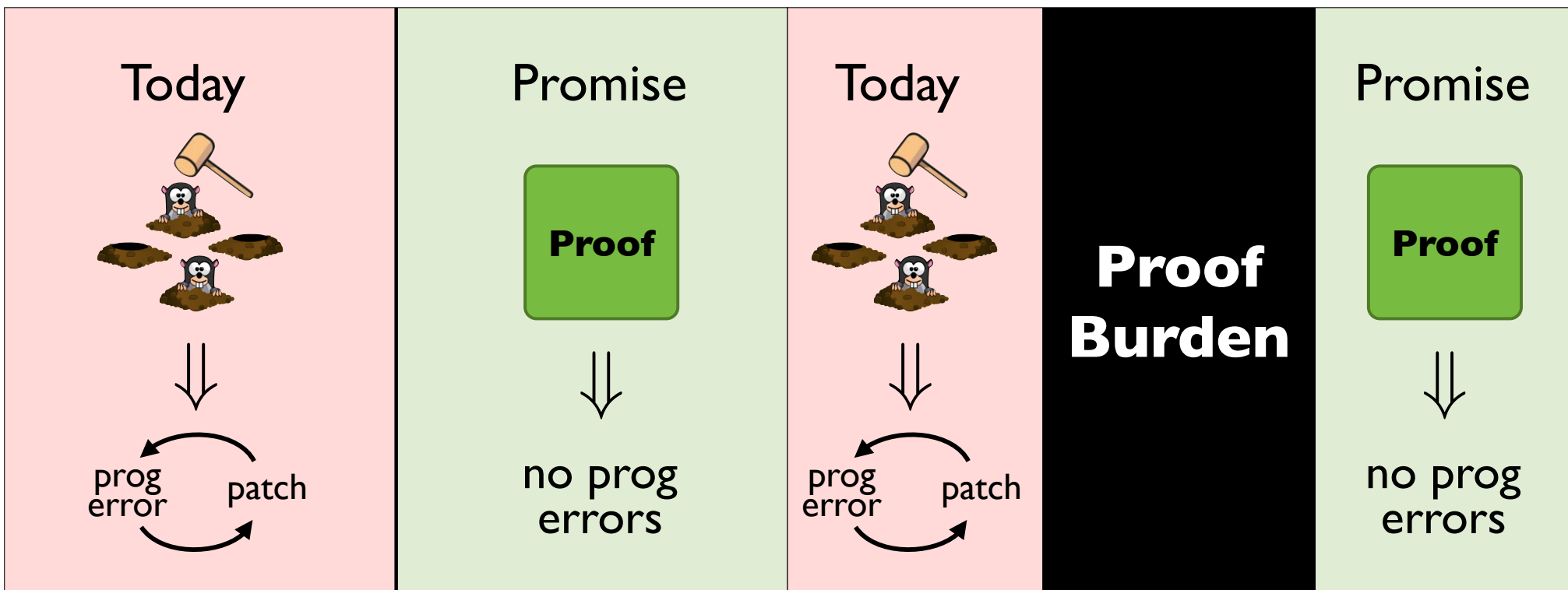
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The Burden of Proof

1. Initial proofs require heroic effort

CompCert: 70% proof, vast majority of effort

seL4: 200,000 line proof for 9,000 lines of C

2. Code updates require re-proving

CompCert: adding opts [Tristan POPL 08, PLDI 09, POPL 10]

seL4: changing RPC took 17% of proof effort

Mitigating the Burden of Proof

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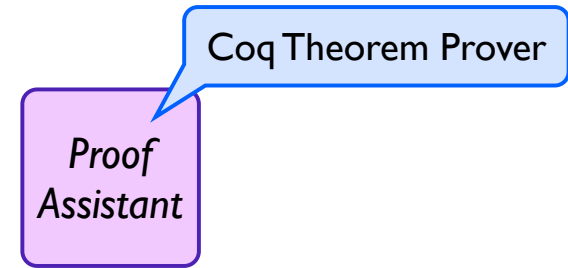
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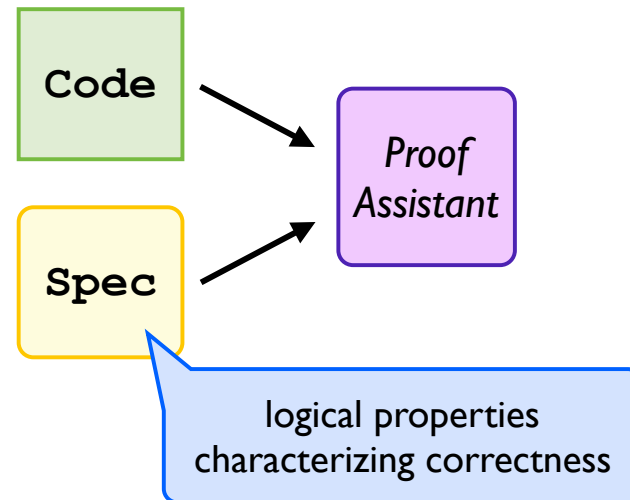
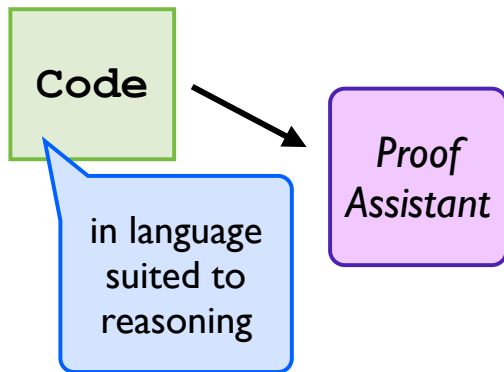
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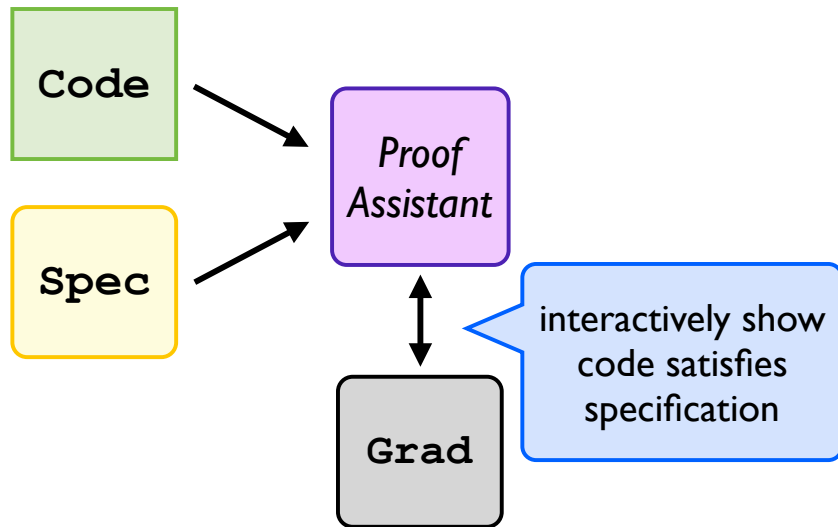


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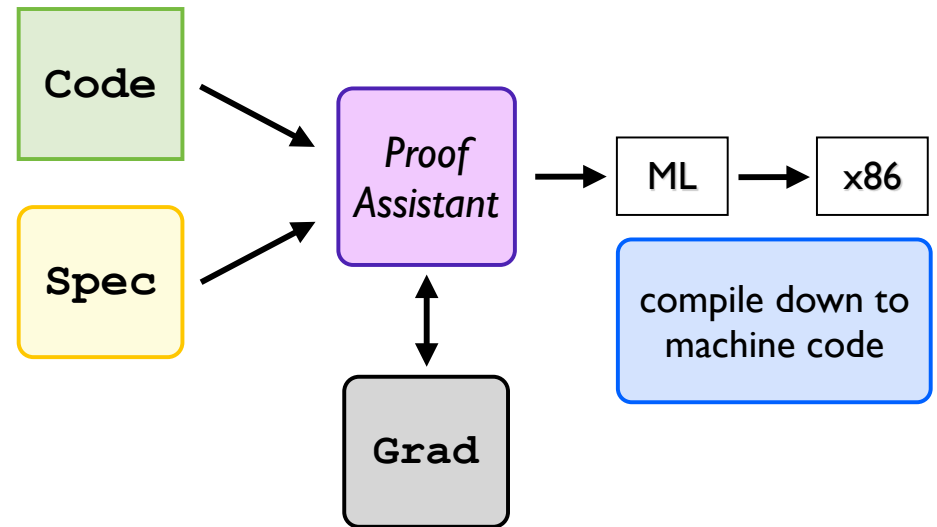
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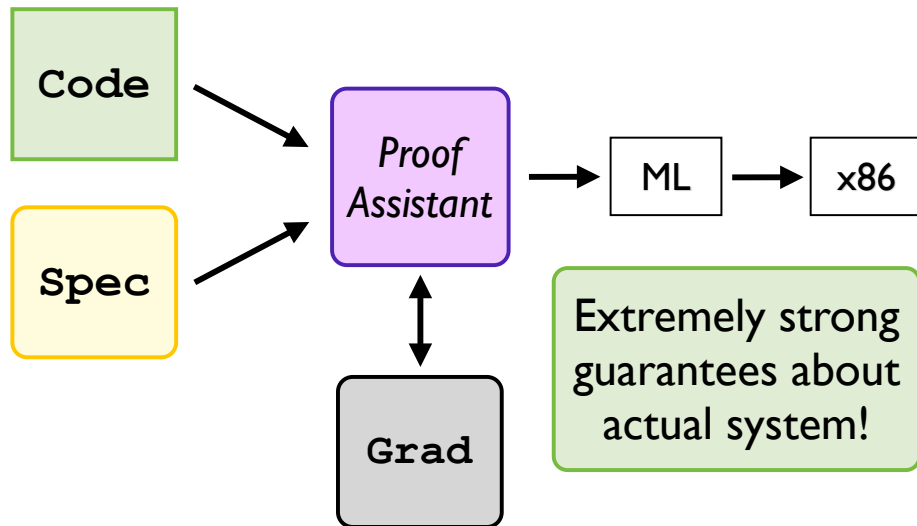
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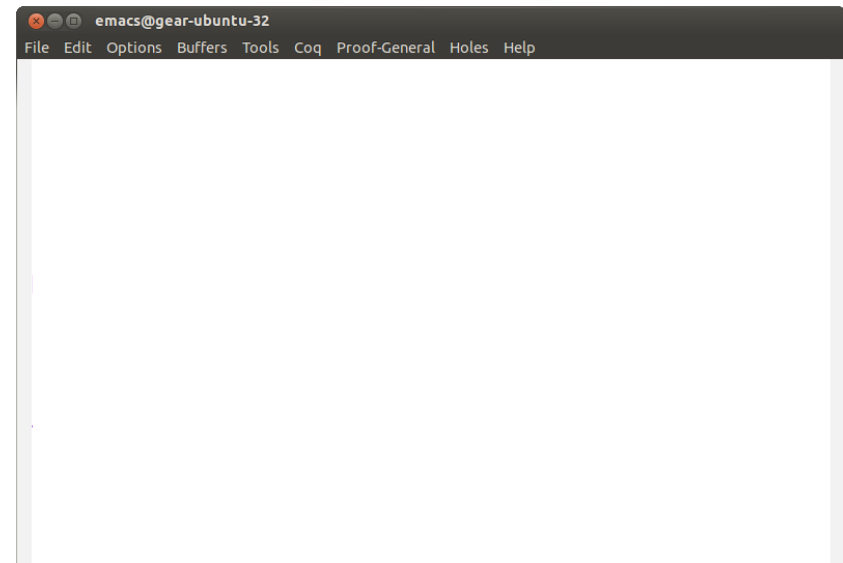
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program in a purely functional language

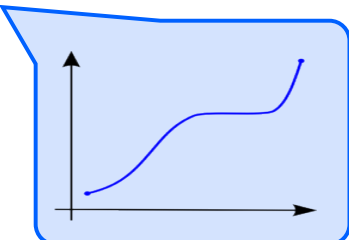
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specification characterizes desired behavior



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claim program satisfies spec

construct proof interactively

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  apply le_trans with (m := factorial m); auto.
  destruct (mult 0 le (factorial m) m).
  rewrite H0; simpl. apply le_refl.
  apply le_trans with (m := m * factorial m); auto.
  rewrite plus_n_0 at 1. rewrite plus_comm.
  apply plus le_compat. apply le 0 n. apply le_refl.
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browsers don't look like factorial

browsers don't have simple specs

even easy proofs grow quickly and become opaque

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Scrap existing code, rewrite
Invest decades of person-years
Intractable for large-scale apps

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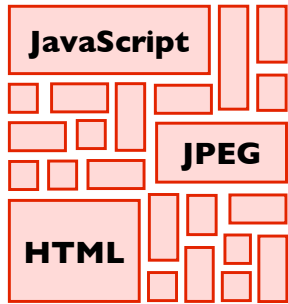
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**Web
Browser**

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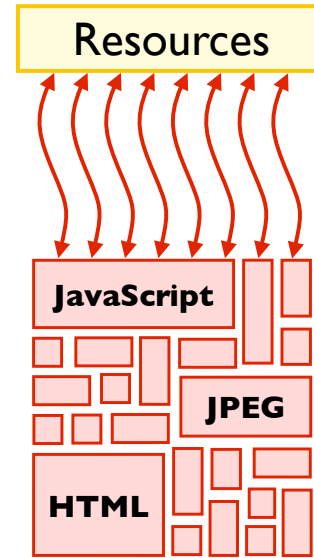


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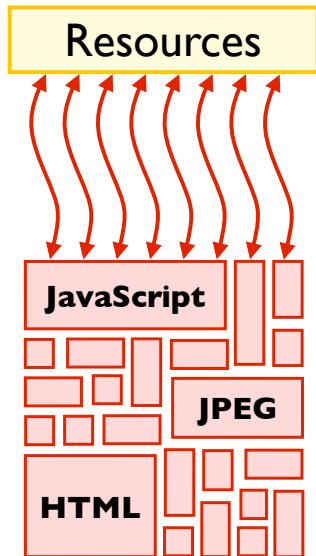
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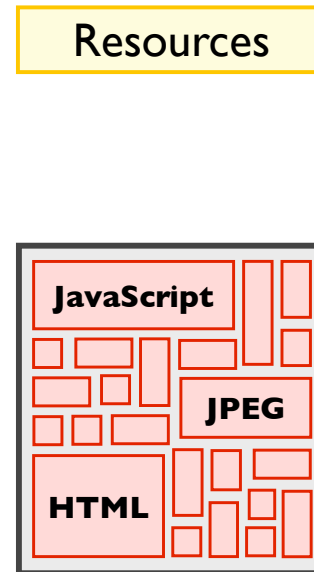
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Constant evolution

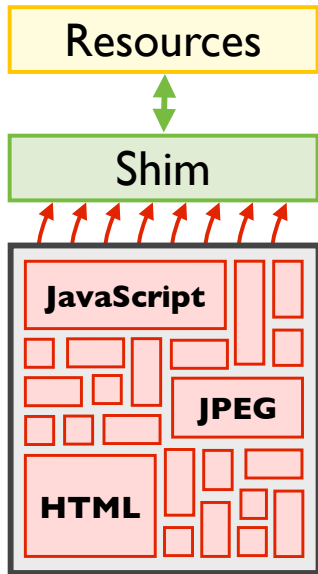


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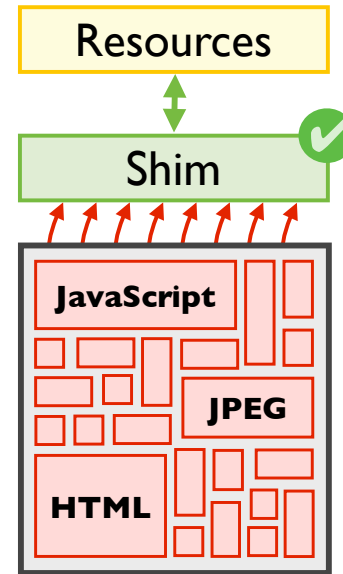
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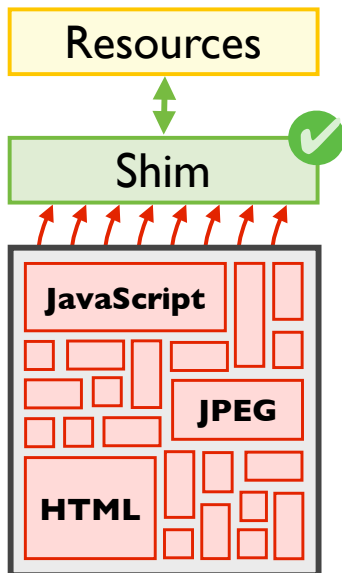


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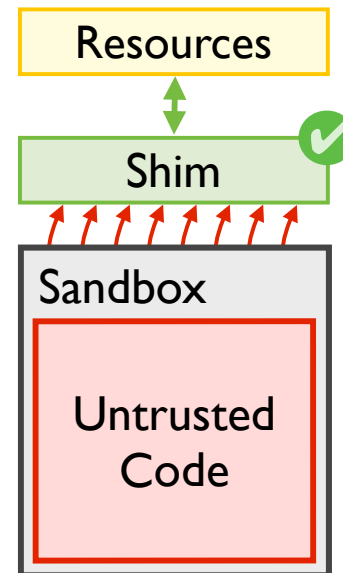


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Isolate
Implement shim
Verify shim

Applies when:

1. *sys fits architecture*
 2. *policy over resources*
- browser, httpd, sshd, ...*

Formal Shim Verification

Key Insight: *Focus Effort*

- Guarantee sec props for entire system
- Only implement and prove small shim
- Radically ease verification burden
- Prove *actual code* correct

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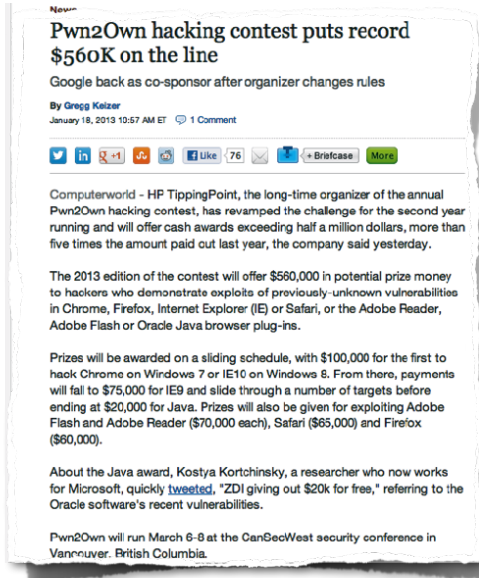
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Browsers: Critical Infrastructure



Browsers: Vulnerable



Defenses / Policies:

[Jang et al. W2SP]

[Stamm et al. WWW]

[Jackson et al. W2SP]

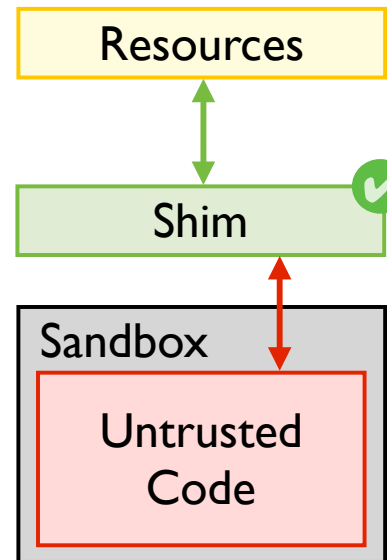
[Barth et al. CCS]

[Singh et al. OAKLAND]

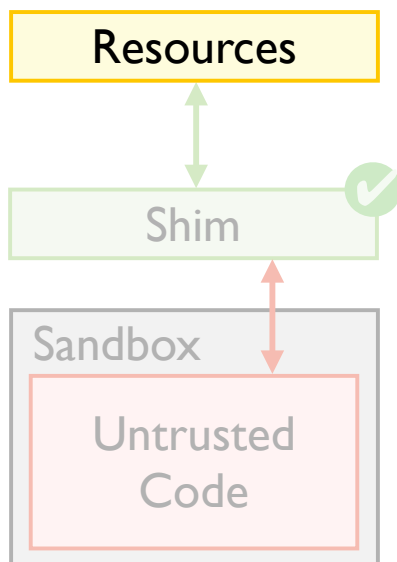
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**Complex +
Implementation Bugs**

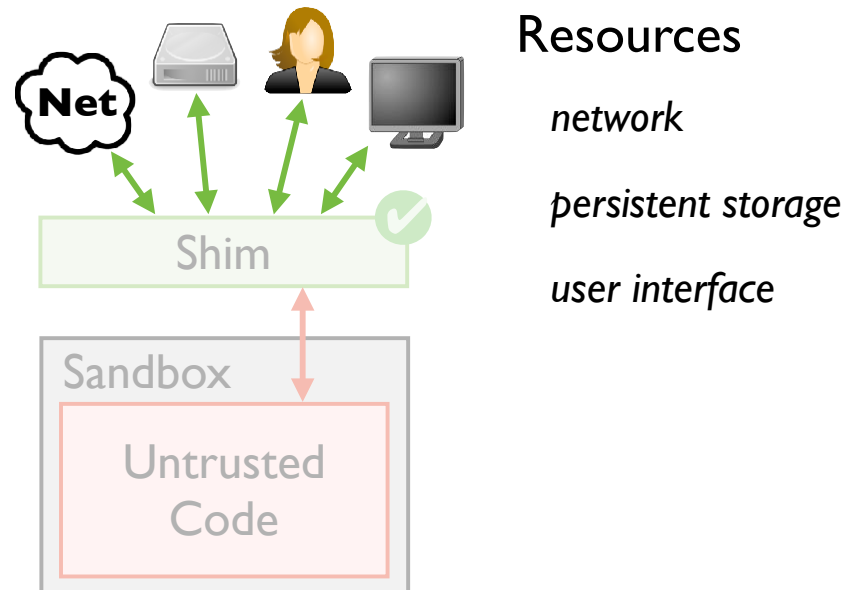
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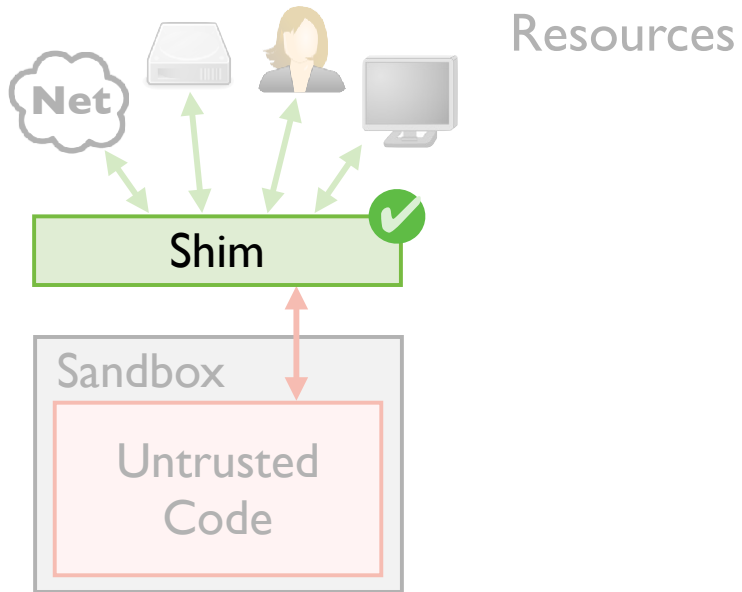
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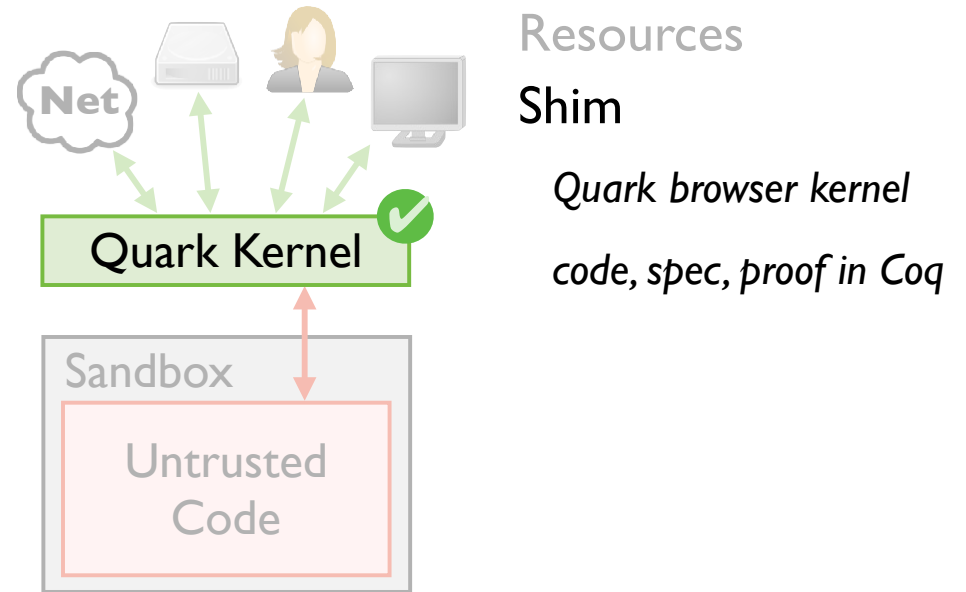
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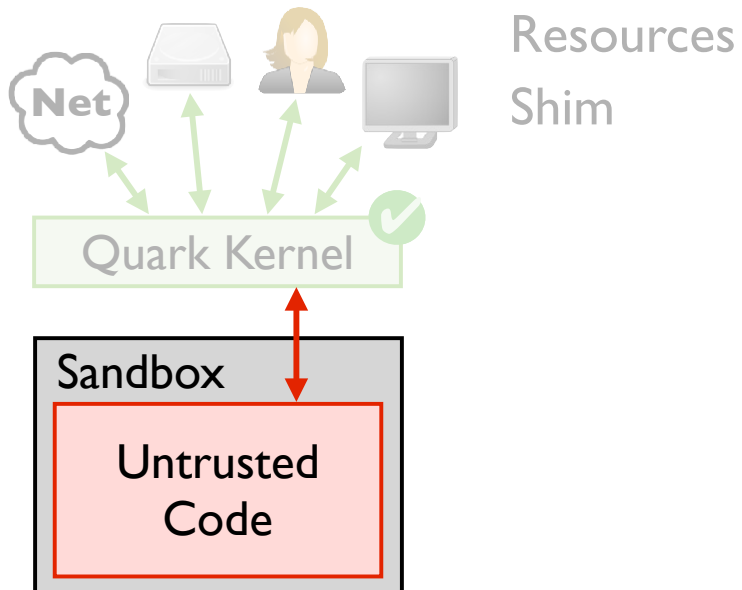
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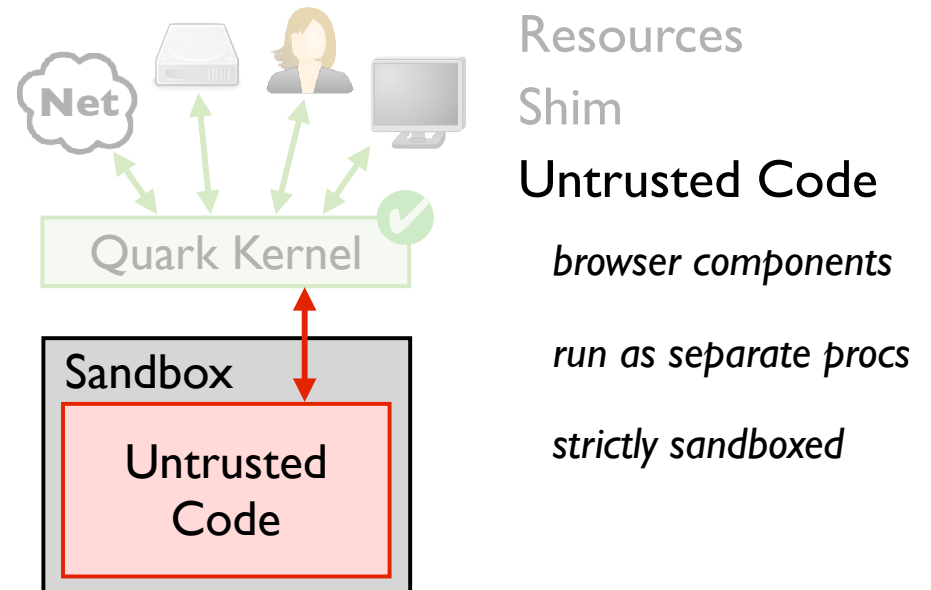
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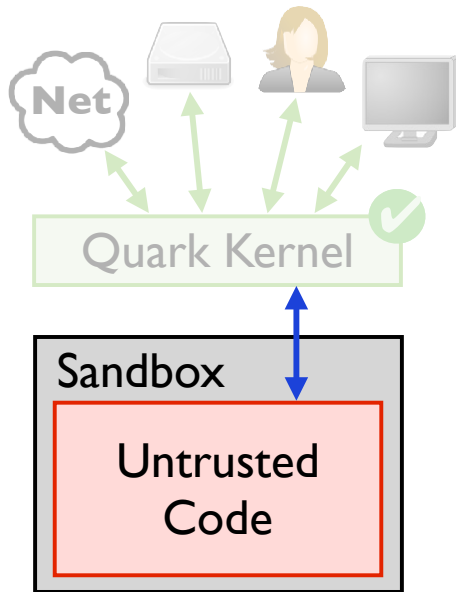
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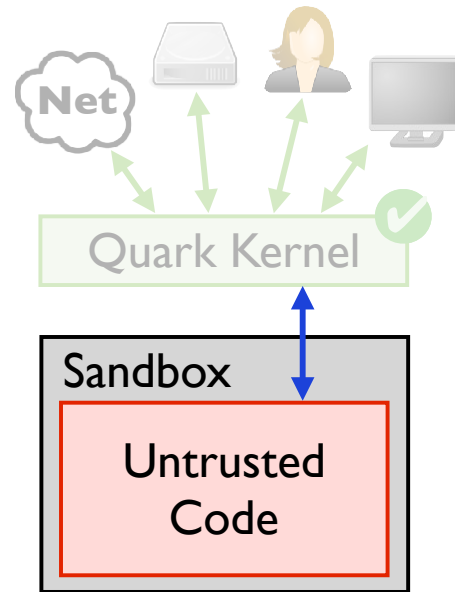


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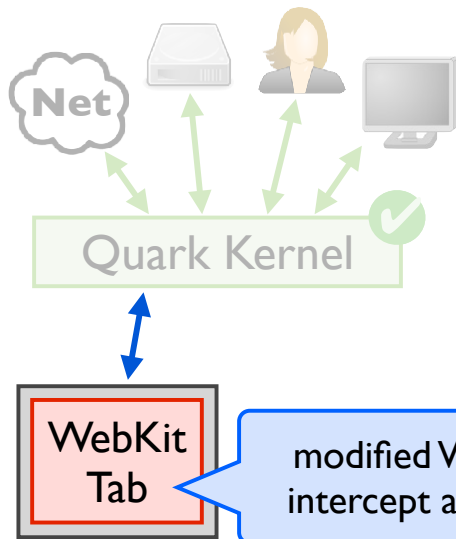
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browser components
run as separate procs
strictly sandboxed
talk to kernel over pipe

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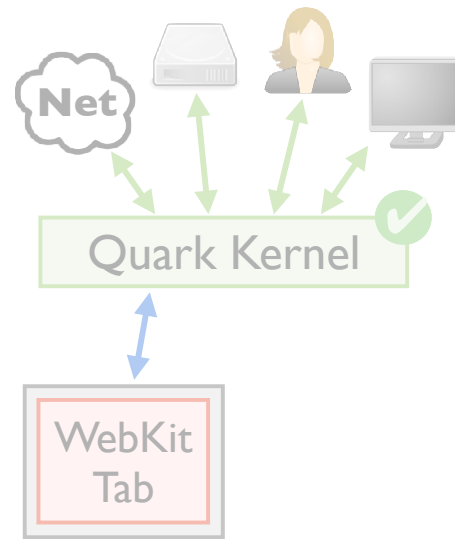
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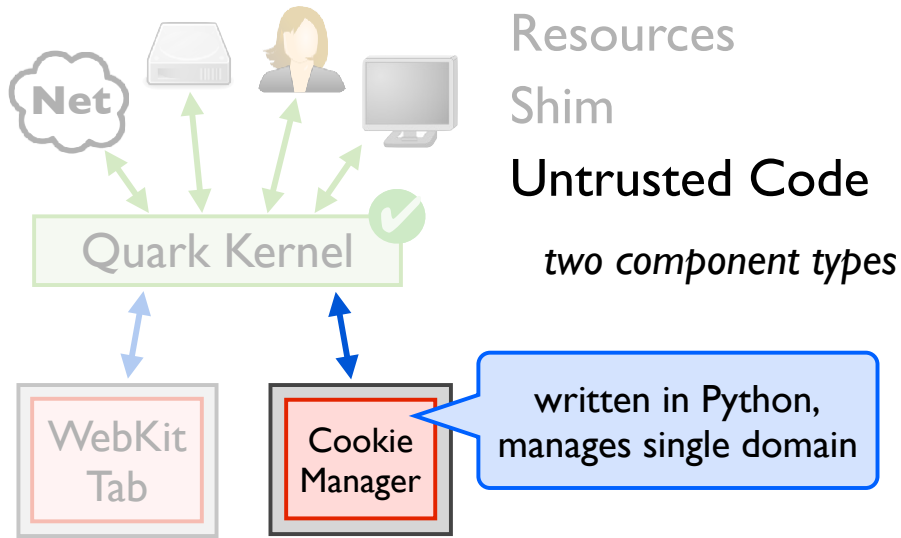
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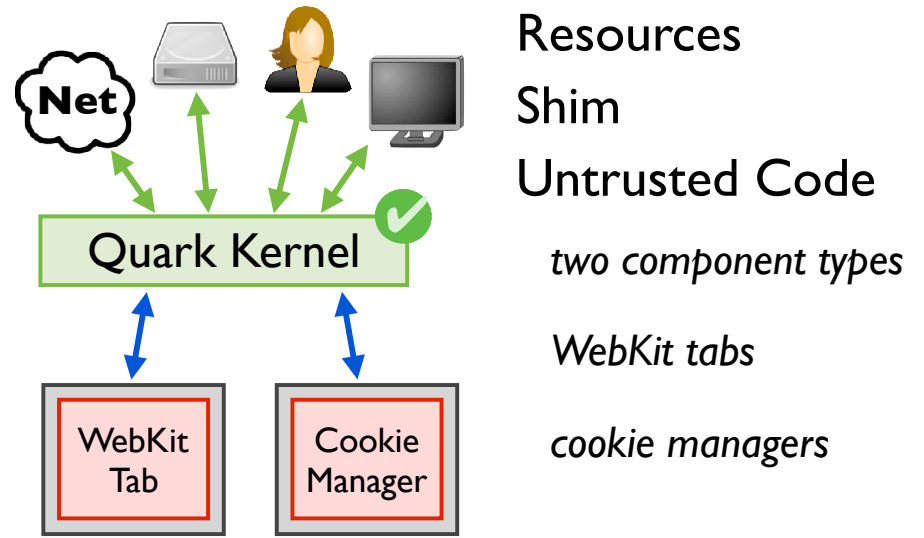


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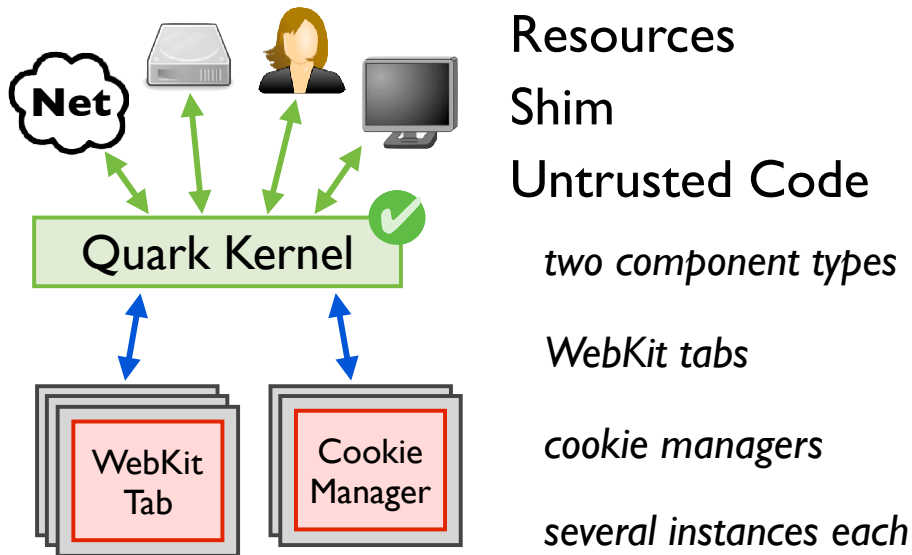
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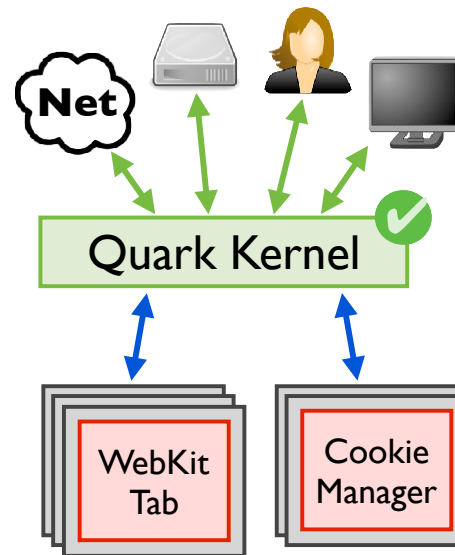
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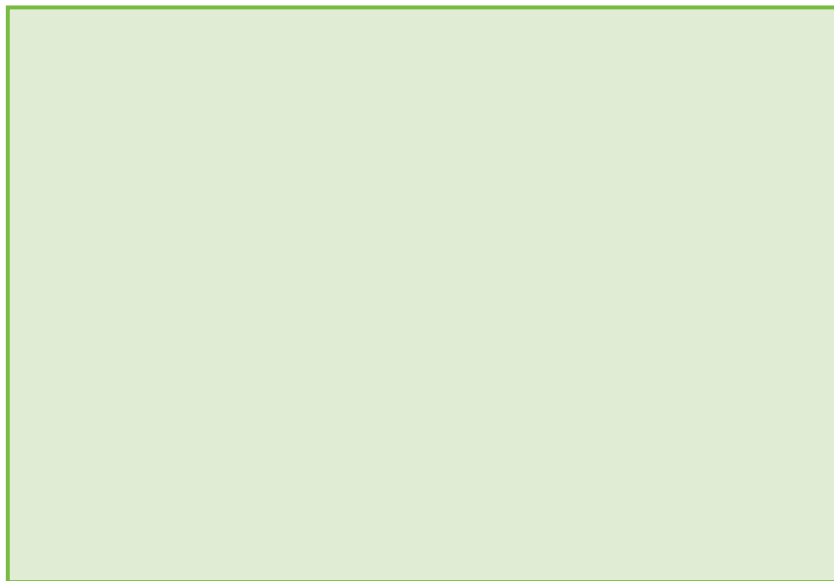
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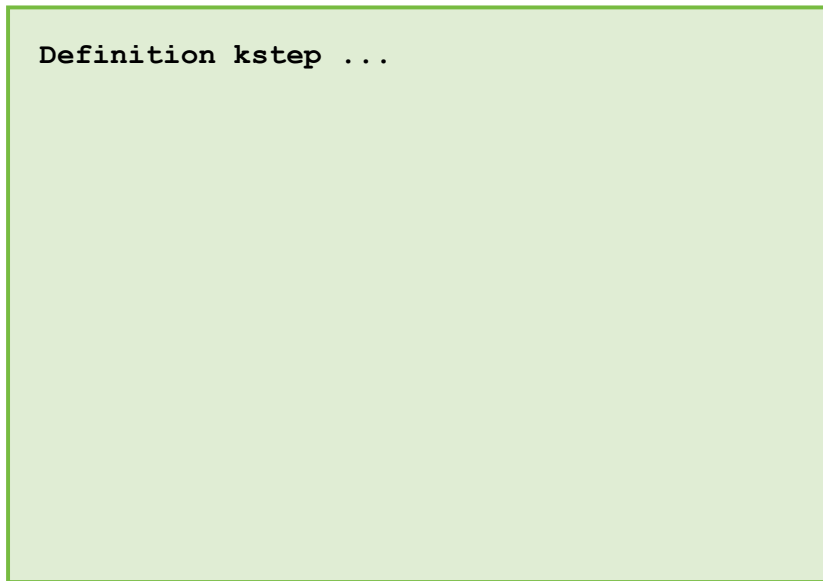
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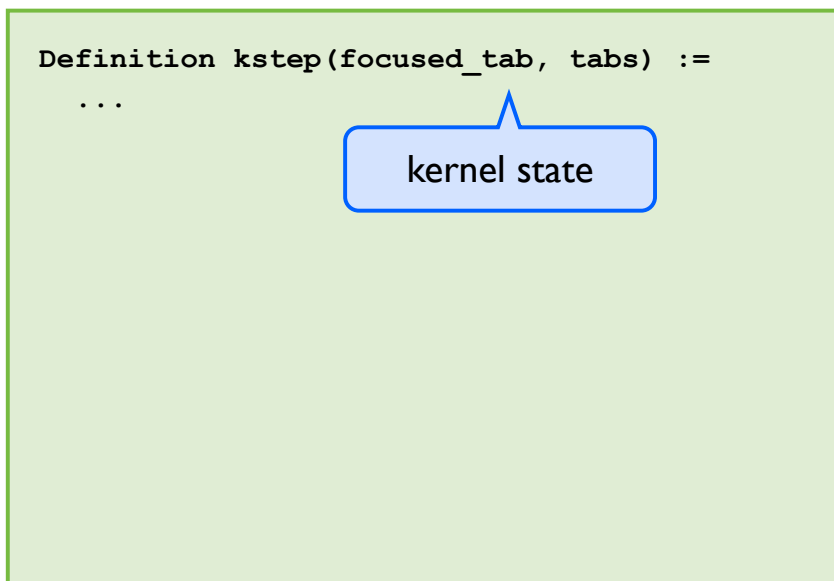
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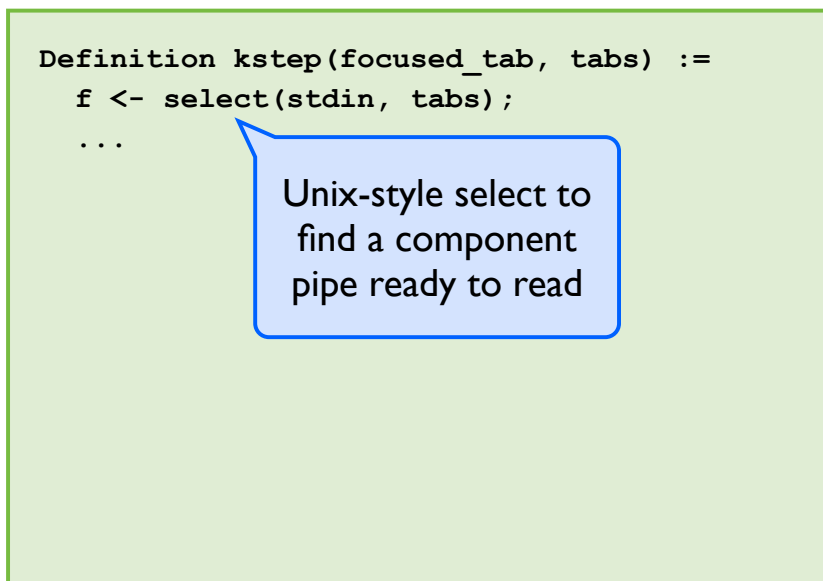
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case: f is user input

case: f is tab pipe

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read command from
user over `stdin`

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user wants to create
and focus a new tab

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tell new tab to
render itself

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handle other
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handle requests
from tabs

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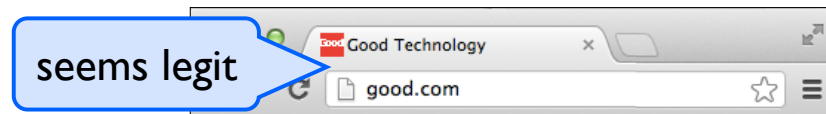
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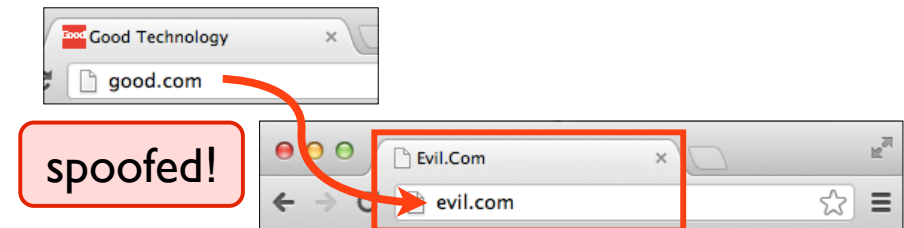
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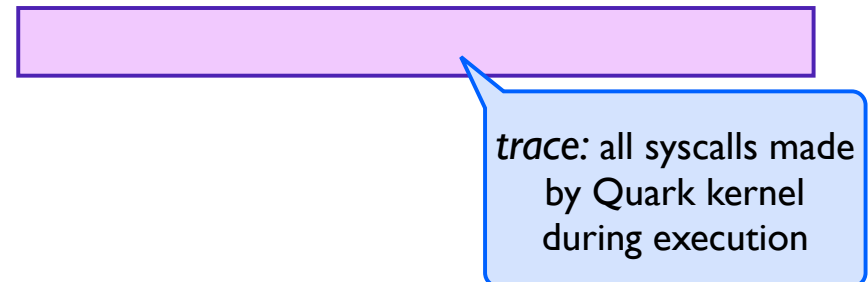
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`read(), write(), open(), write(), ...`

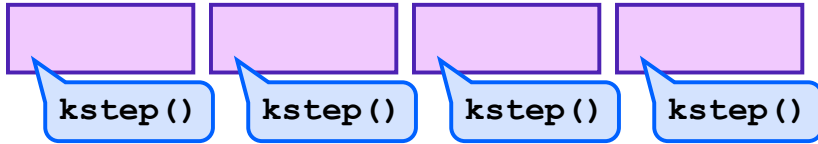
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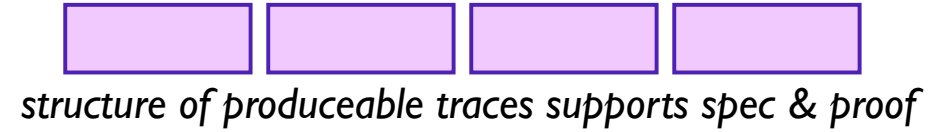
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structure of produceable traces supports spec & proof

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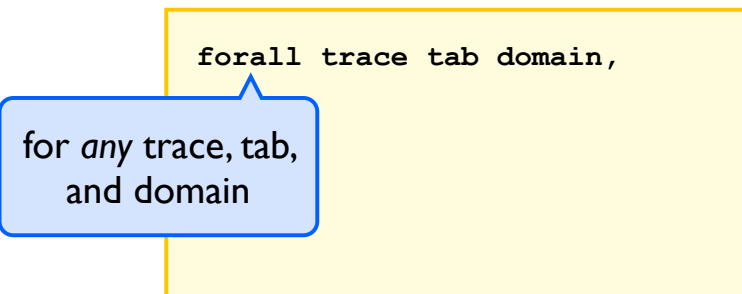
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```
forall trace tab domain,  
  quark_produced(trace)  ^  
  ...
```

if Quark could have produced this trace

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Example: address bar correctness

```
forall trace tab domain,  
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  ...
```

and **tab** is the selected tab in this trace

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Example: address bar correctness

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forall trace tab domain,  
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  tab = cur_tab(trace)  ^  
  domain = addr_bar(trace) ->  
  ...
```

and **domain** displayed in address bar for this trace

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forall trace tab domain,  
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  tab = cur_tab(trace)  ^  
  domain = addr_bar(trace) ->  
  domain = tab_domain(tab)
```

then **domain** is the domain of the focused tab

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Formal Security Properties

Tab Non-Interference

no tab affects kernel interaction with another tab

Cookie Confidentiality and Integrity

cookies only accessed by tabs of same domain

Address Bar Integrity and Correctness

address bar accurate, only modified by user action

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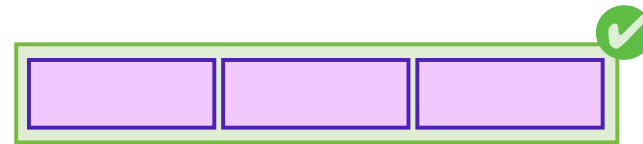
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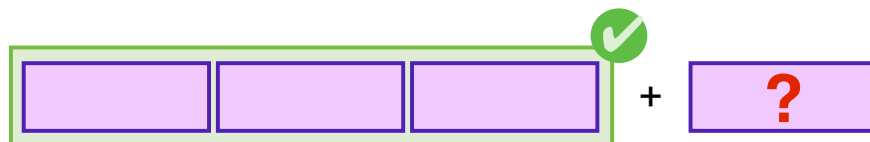
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Proceed by case analysis on `kstep()`

what syscalls can be appended to trace?

will they still satisfy all security properties?

prove each case interactively in proof assistant

Quark Kernel: Code, Spec, *Proof*

Proving required diverse range of tools

monads encoding I/O in functional language

Hoare logic reasoning about imperative programs

op. semantics defining correctness of Quark kernel

linear logic proving resources created / destroyed

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[Naneveski et al. ICFP 08]

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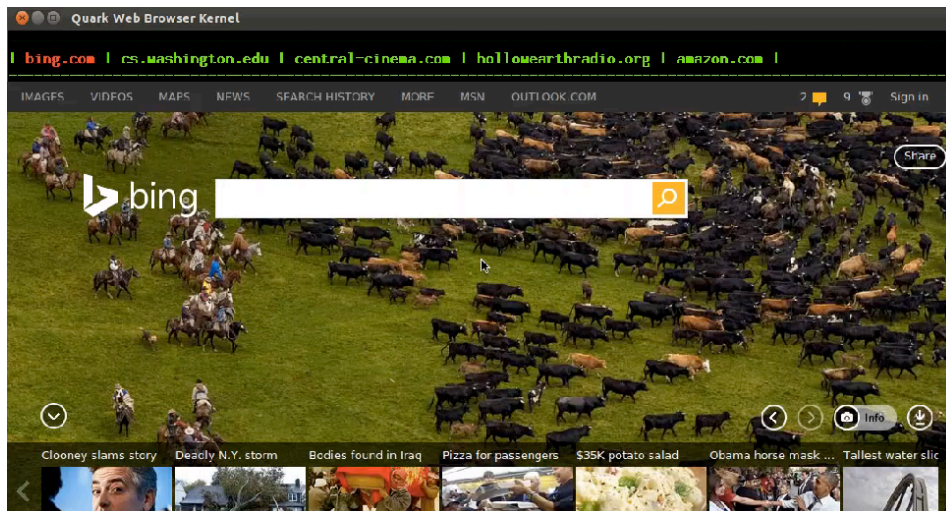
Key Insight: *FSV Effective*

Guarantee sec props for browser

Use state-of-the-art components

Only prove simple browser kernel

Formally Verified Browser!



Extending Quark

Filesystem access, sound, history

could be implemented w/out major redesign

Finer grained resource accesses

support mashups and plugins

Liveness properties

no blocking, kernel eventually services all requests

Trusted Computing Base

Infrastructure we assume correct

bugs here can invalidate our formal guarantees

Fundamental

Statement of security properties
Coq (soundness, proof checker)

Eventually
Verified
[active research]

OCaml [VeriML]
Tab Sandbox [RockSalt]
Operating System [seL4]
...

Quark Development Effort

150 lines of security props

900 lines of kernel code

4,500 lines of proofs

1,000,000 lines of WebKit

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Mitigating the Burden of Proof

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Formal shim verification for large apps

➔ *QUARK: browser with security guarantees*

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Struggle Against Formality Inertia

Adding cookies to Quark quite difficult

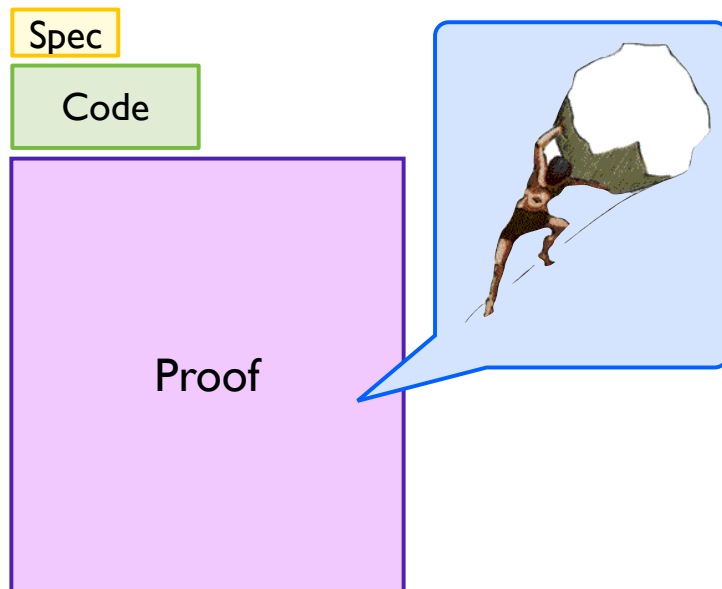
all the pieces already there, still took over a month

Proof updates repetitive and shallow

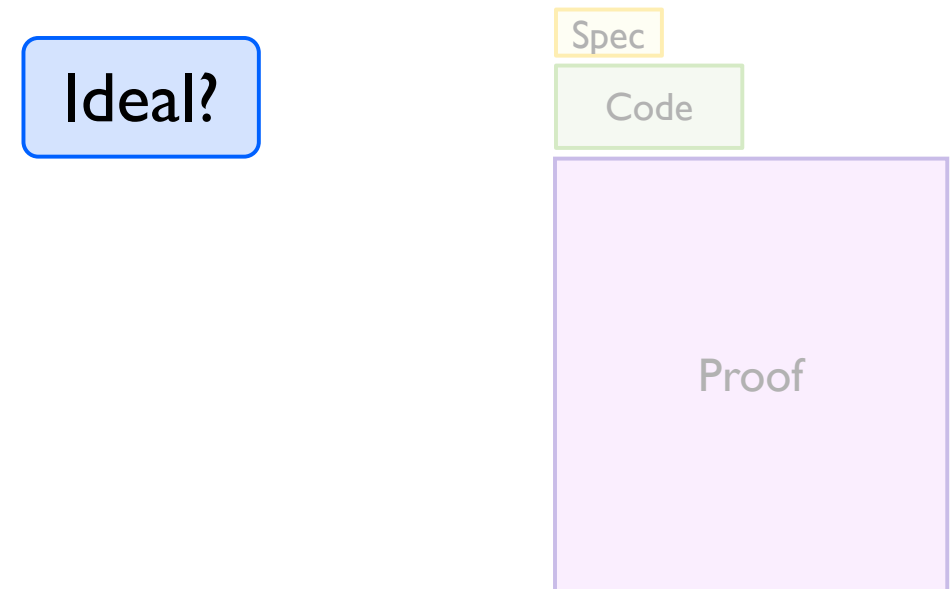
sensitive proof scripts, changes not mechanical

```
match svec_ith PAYREST i as _vi return
forall (EQ: (svec_ith (projT2 (existT vdesc' ENVD_SIZE PAYREST)) i) = _vi),
match _vi as __d return (base_term (existT vdesc' ENVD_SIZE PAYREST) __d -> Prop)
with
| Desc d => fun _ => True
| Comp c => fun b => FdSet.In
    (comp_fd (projT1 (eval_base_term (envd:=existT _ ENVD_SIZE PAYREST) erest b))) fds end
    match EQ in _ = _vi return base_term __vi With Logic.eq_refl =>
      Var (existT vdesc' ENVD_SIZE PAYREST) i end
->
match _vi as __d return (base_term (existT vdesc' (S ENVD_SIZE) (PAYO, PAYREST)) __d -> Prop) with
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| Comp c => fun b =>
    FdSet.In (comp_fd (projT1 (eval_base_term (envd:=existT _ (S ENVD_SIZE) (PAYO, PAYREST)) (e0, erest) b))) fds end
    match EQ in _ = _vi return base_term __vi With Logic.eq_refl =>
      Var (existT vdesc' (S ENVD_SIZE) (PAYO, PAYREST)) (Some i) end
with
| Desc d => _ | Comp c => _ end (Logic.eq_refl _)
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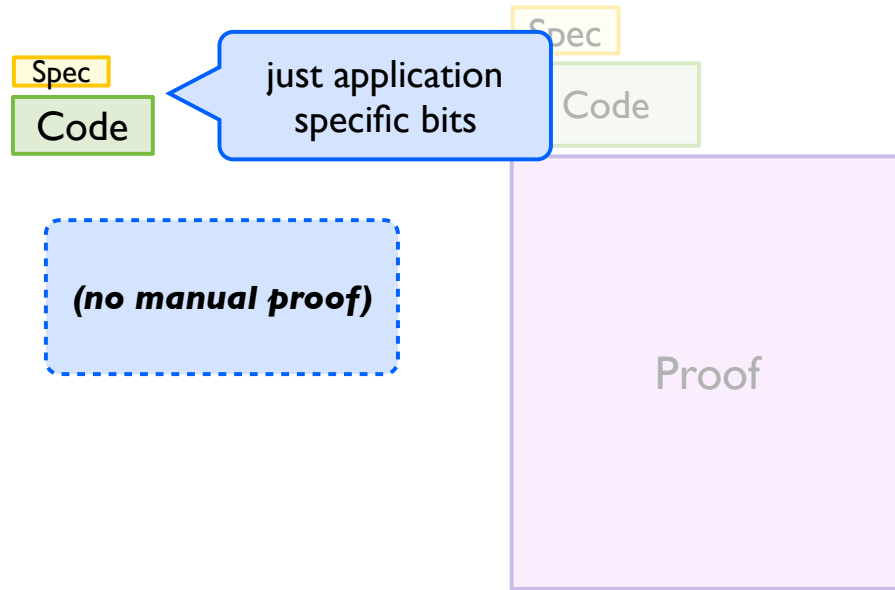
Division of Labor *(to scale)*



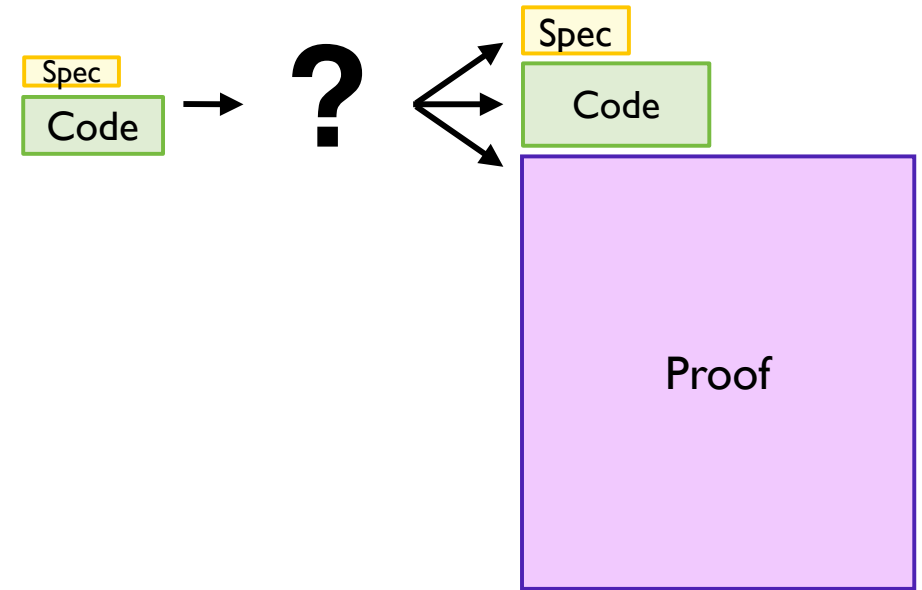
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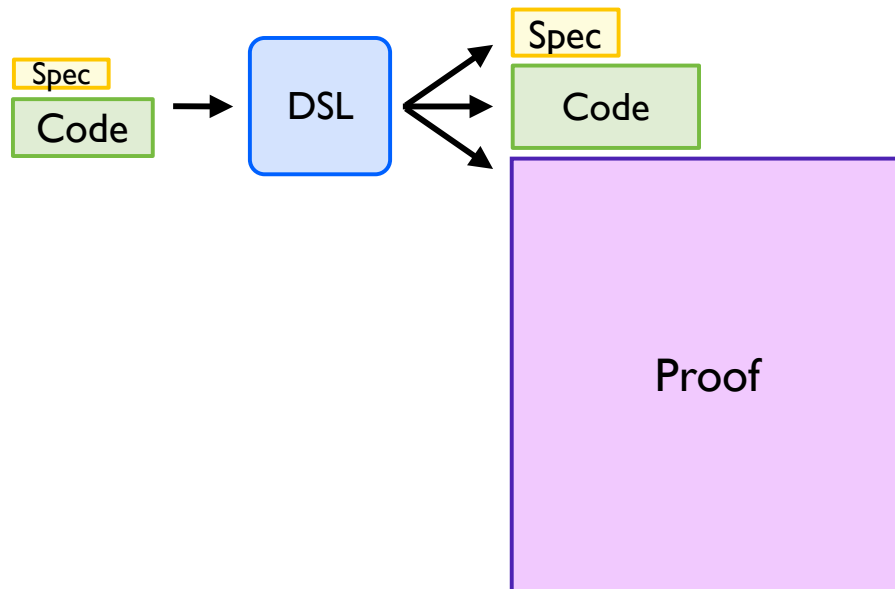
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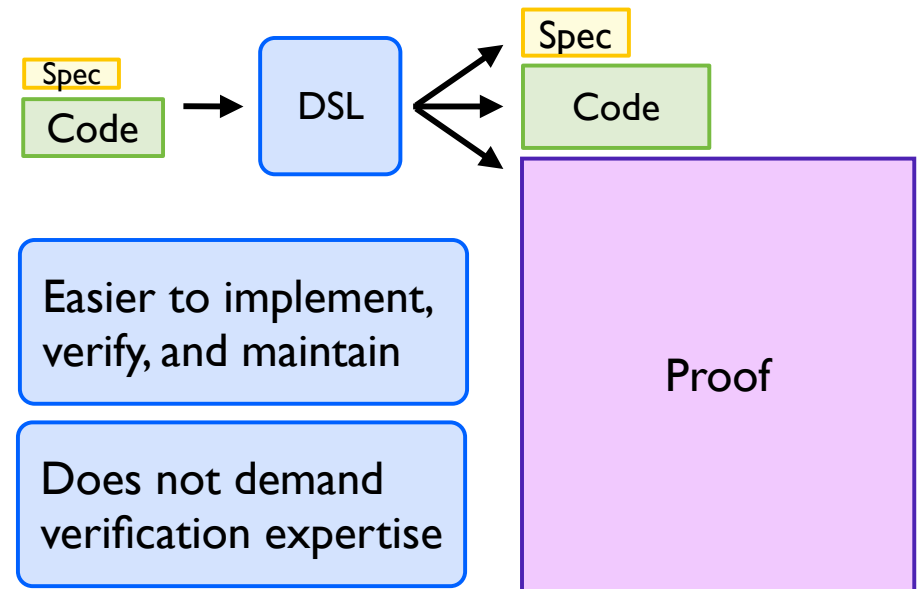
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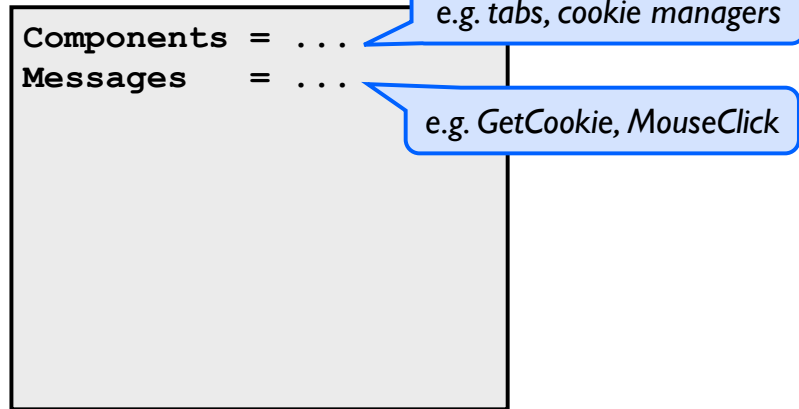
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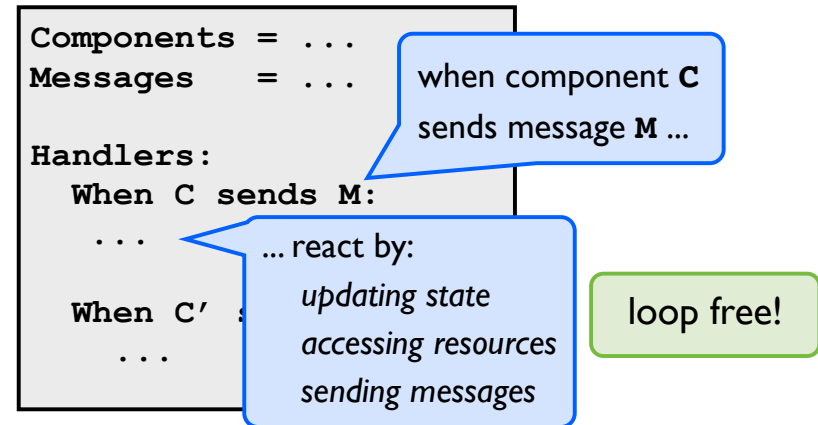
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subset of LTL and non-interference properties

```
forall d c,  
  [Recv(Tab(d), CookieSet(c))] Enables  
  [Send(CookieMgr(d), CookieSet(c))]
```

cookie integrity

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Auto prove user-provided specs

exploit domain, ensure all traces match spec

Counterexample-driven search discovers invariants.

Reflex: a DSL for Reactive Systems [PLDI 14]

Reflex Effective:

- Prototype sshd, browser, httpd
- Specify basic access controls
- Auto prove user-provided specs

Reflex: Evaluation

Web browser	Domains do not interfere, Cookie integrity, ... <i>auto prove non-interference</i>
SSH server	No PTY access before authentication, At most 3 authentication attempts, ...
Web server	Clients only spawned after successful login, File requests guarded by access control, ... <i>auto prove non-local props</i>

Auto verified 33 properties (80% in < 2 minutes)

Reflex: Development Effort

Reflex : *Many reactive systems*

7500 lines of Coq

Web browser	SSH server	Web server
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Quark Web browser :

5500 lines of Coq

Single reactive system

Mitigating the Burden of Proof

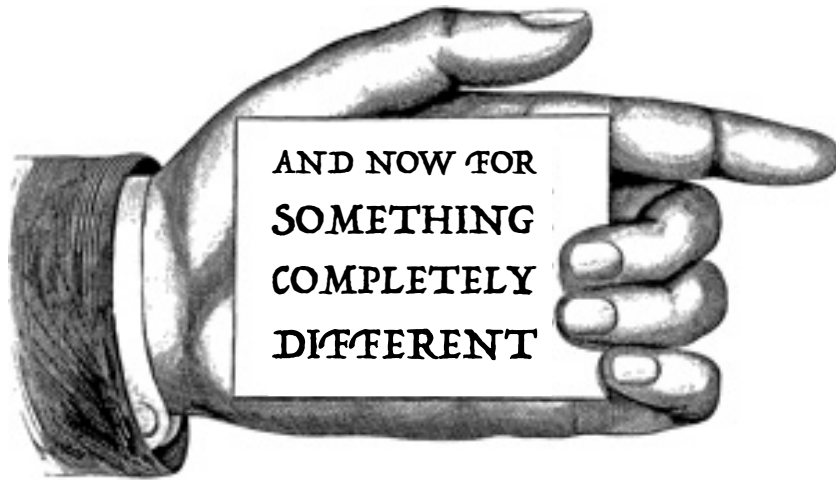
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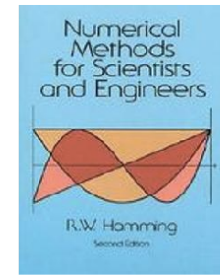
Double Trouble

```
x = 0.1 + 0.2;
if (x != 0.3)
  printf("wat.\n");
```

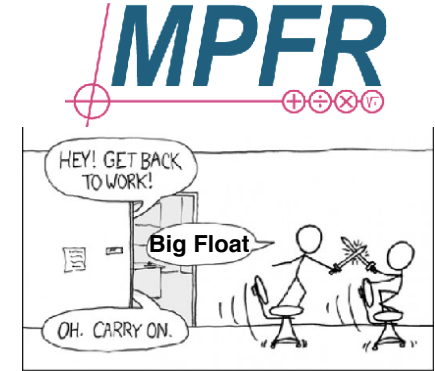
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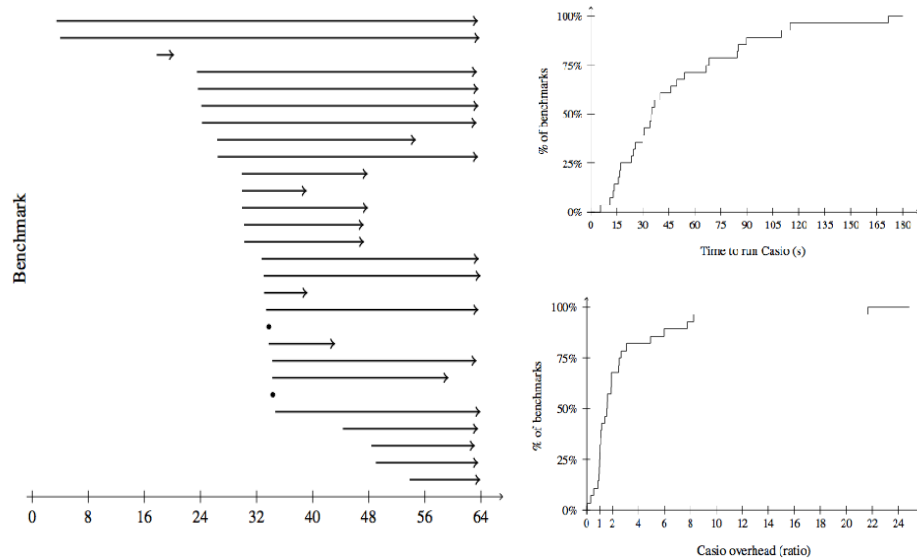
Futz



Analyze



Less Double Trouble



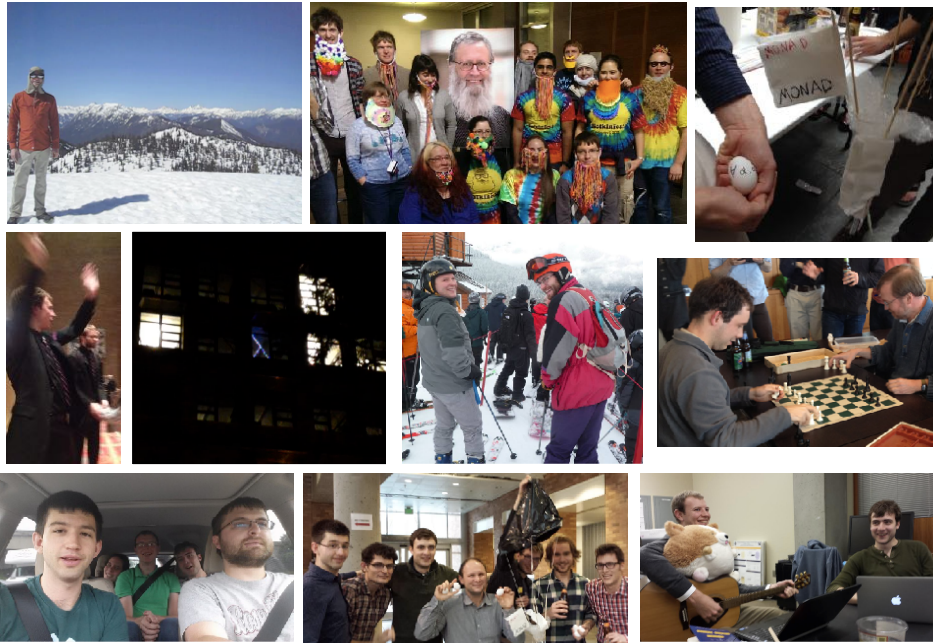
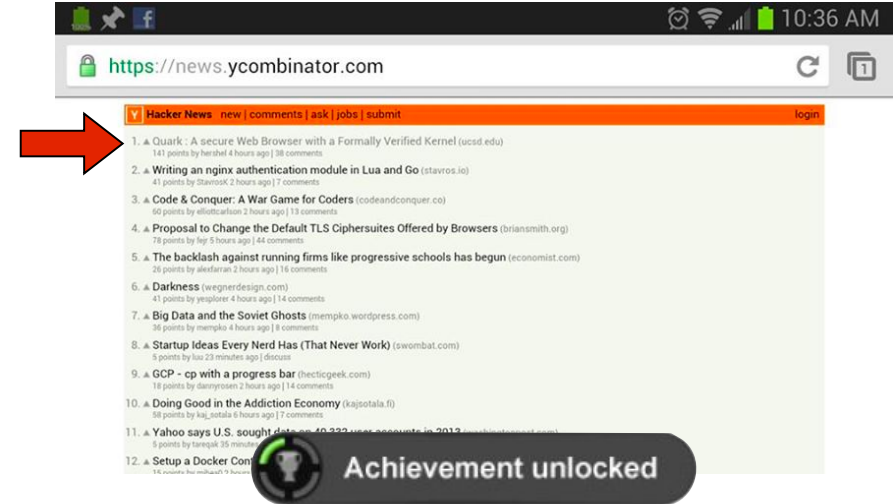
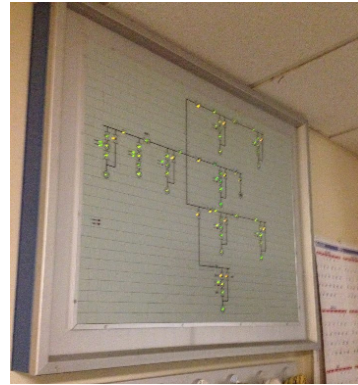
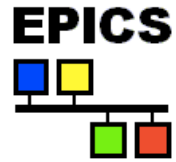
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Thank You!

Goal: mitigate formality inertia

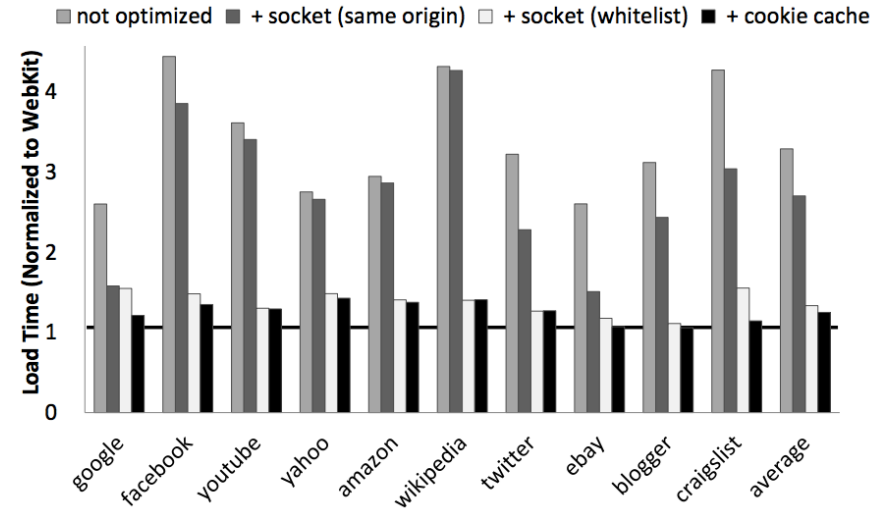
address scaling and evolving formally verified systems

1. Extend verification frontier

develop techniques to verify critical "pinch points"

2. Make verification accessible

equip domain experts with effective tools



Verifying Optimizations

Rich compiler correctness history:

McCarthy 67, Samet 75, Cousot 77, ...

Already solved?

Compiler	Bugs Found
GCC	122
LLVM	181
CompCert	0

[Yang et al. PLDI 11]

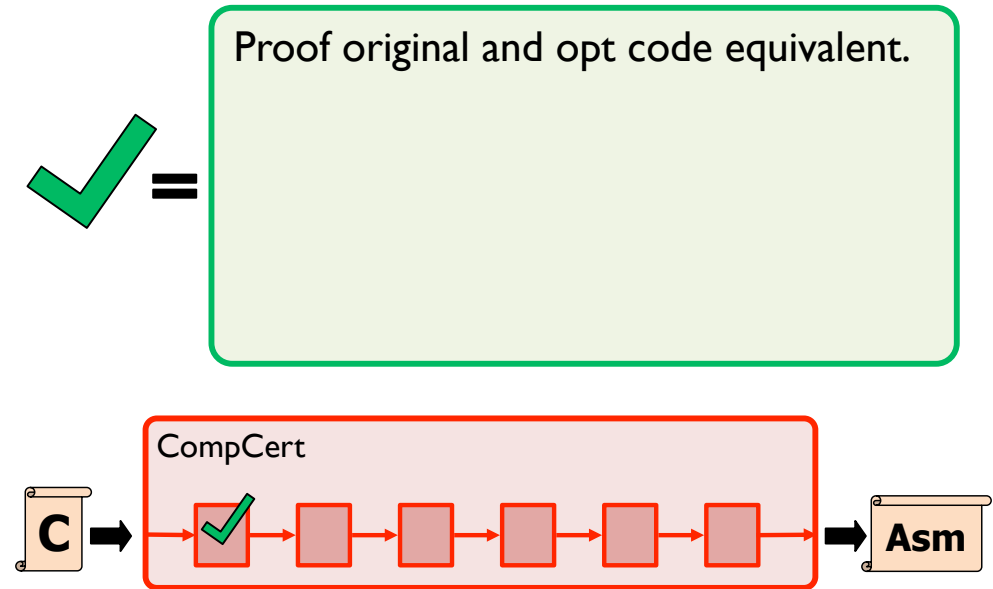
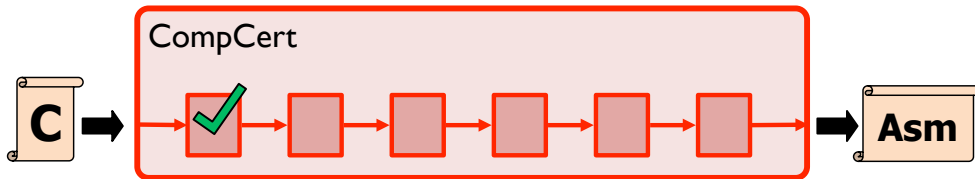
many optimization bugs

lacks many optimizations

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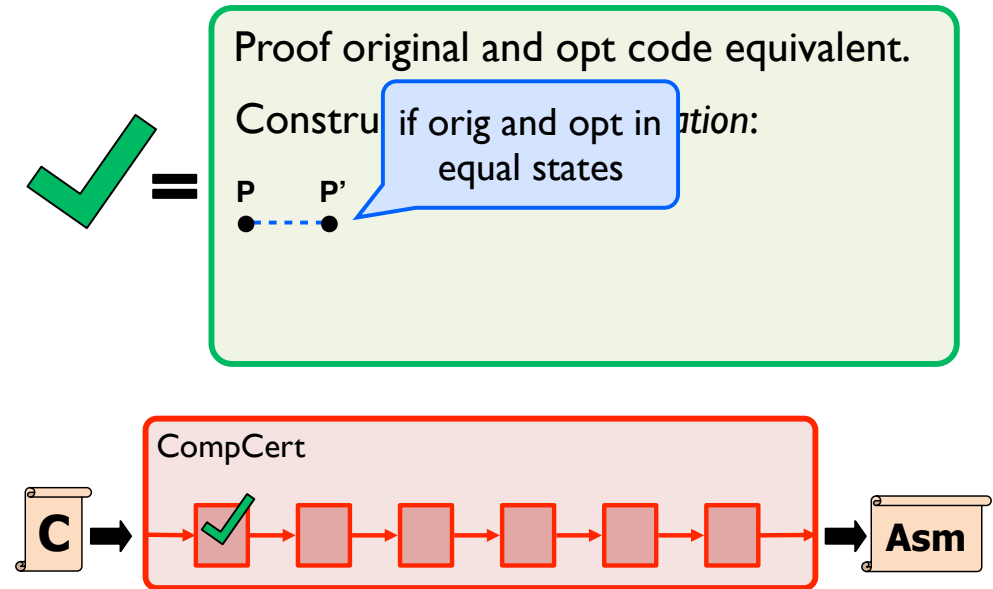
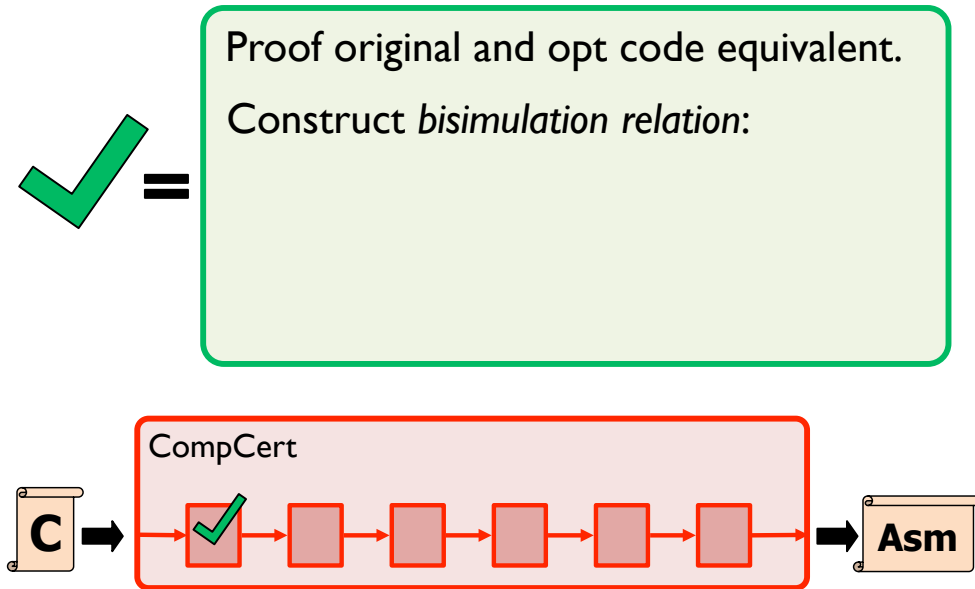
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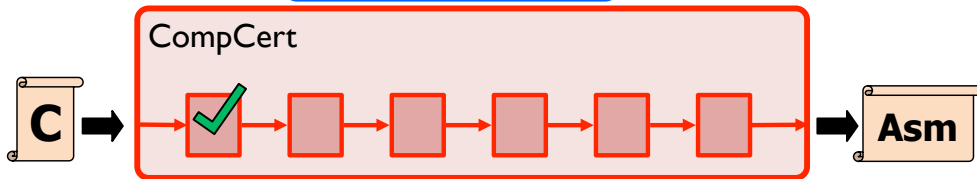
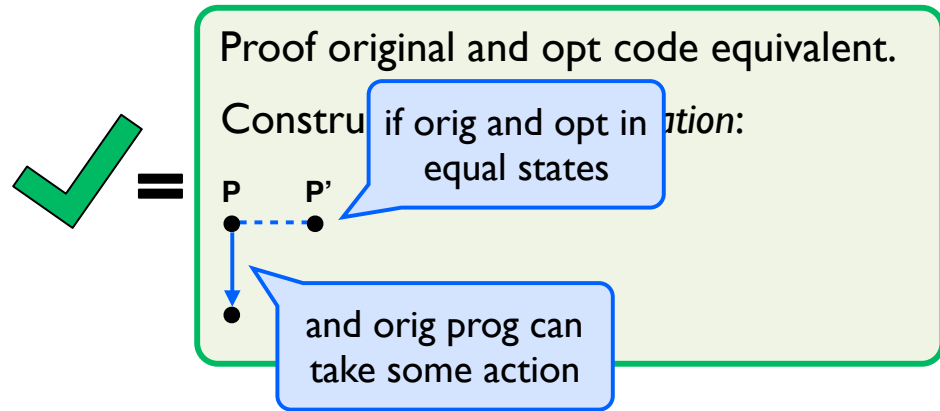


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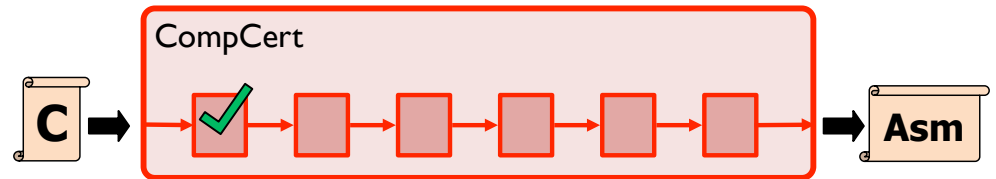
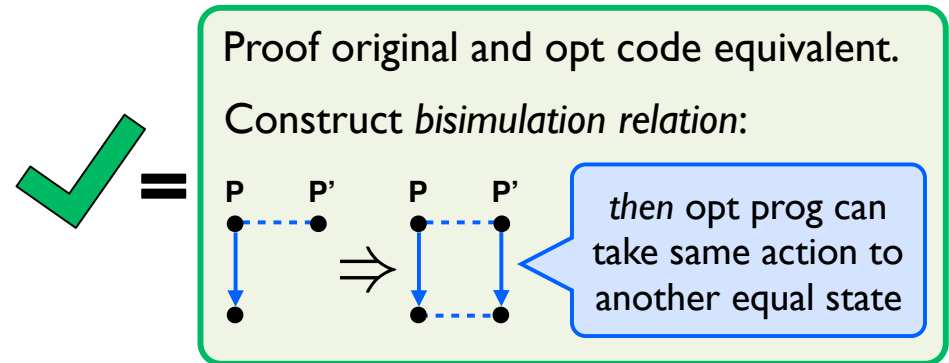
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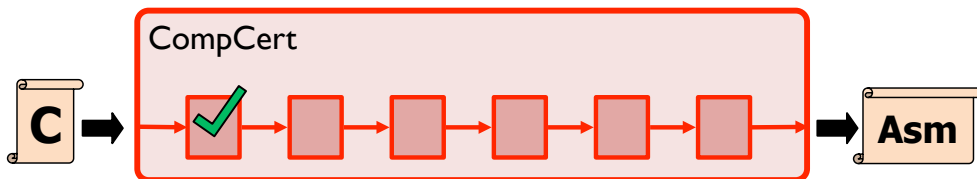
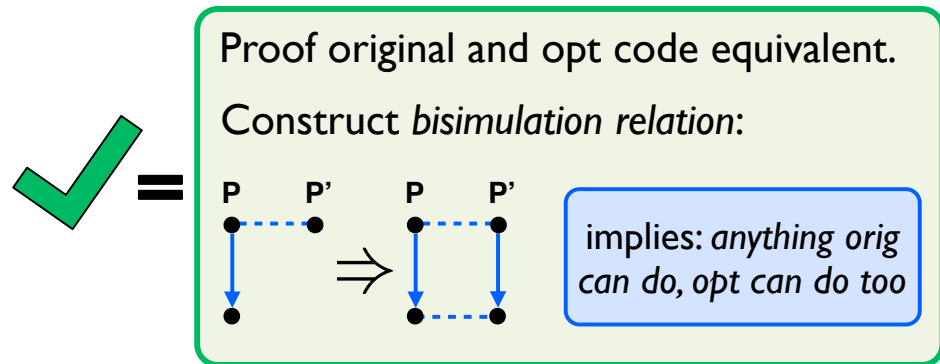
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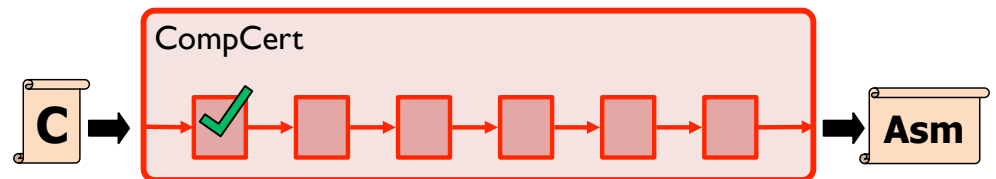
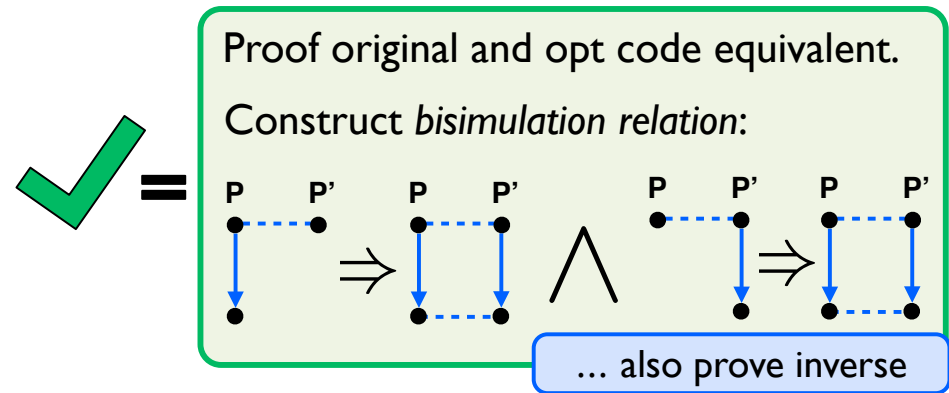
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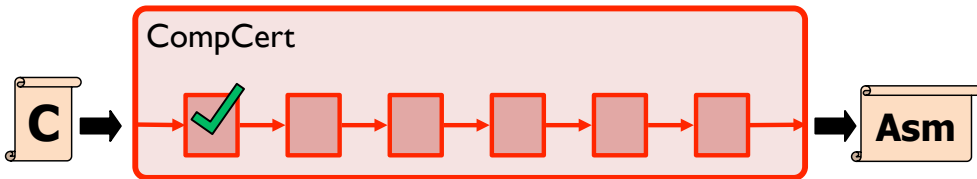
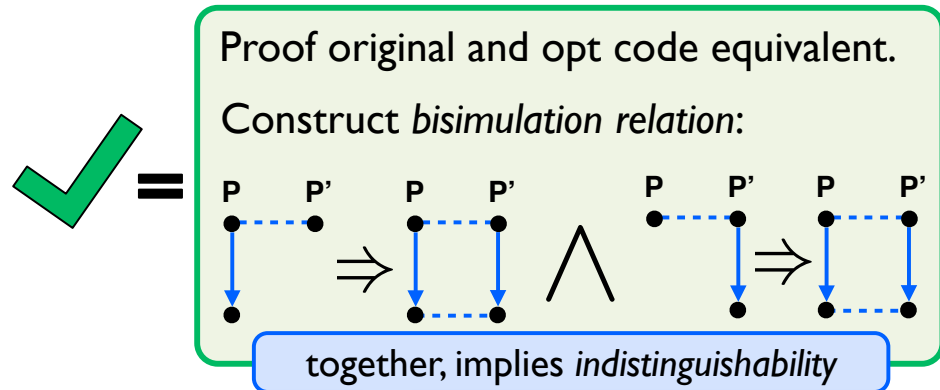
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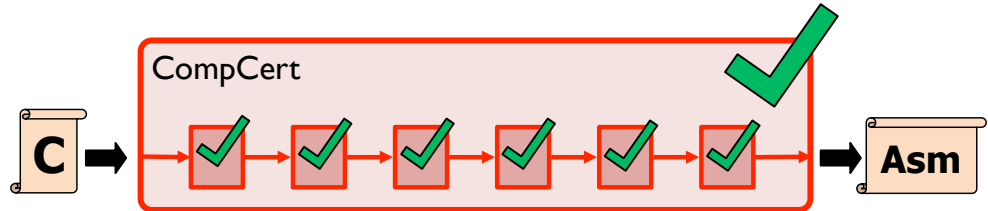
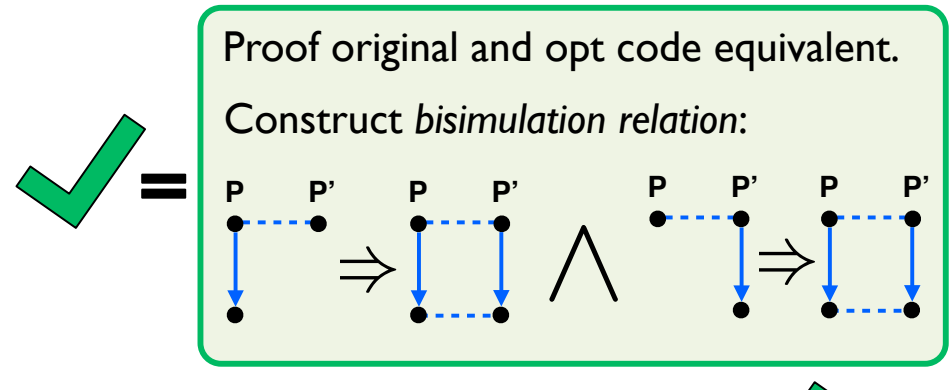
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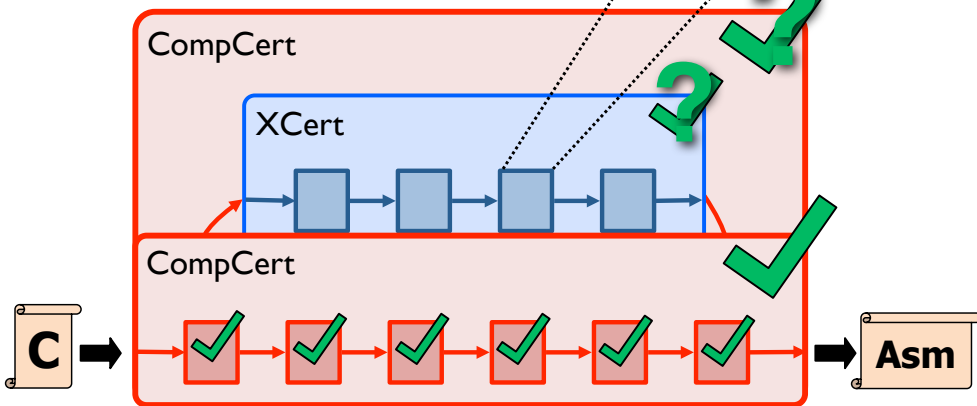
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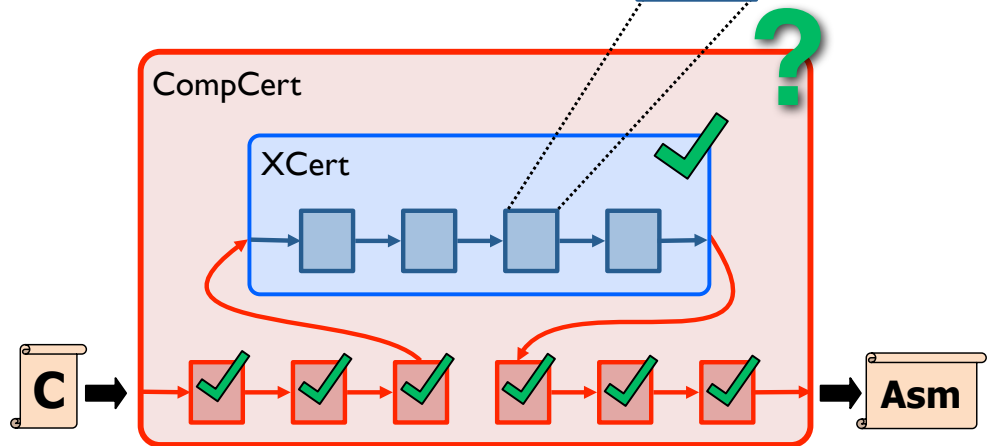
Formally Proved:
Rewrites locally correct
 $\Rightarrow \exists$ bisimulation relation

Rewrite
 Local Proofs

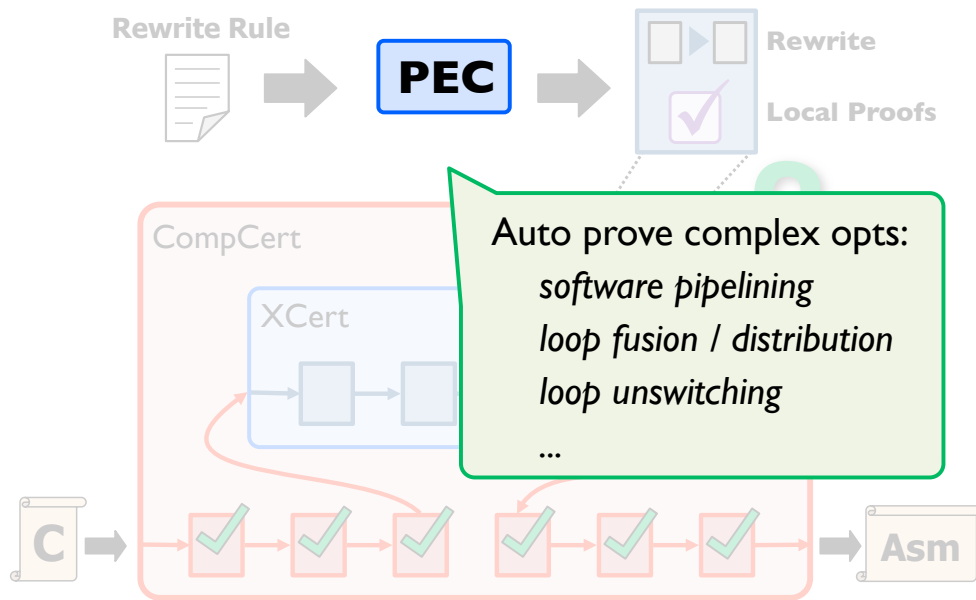


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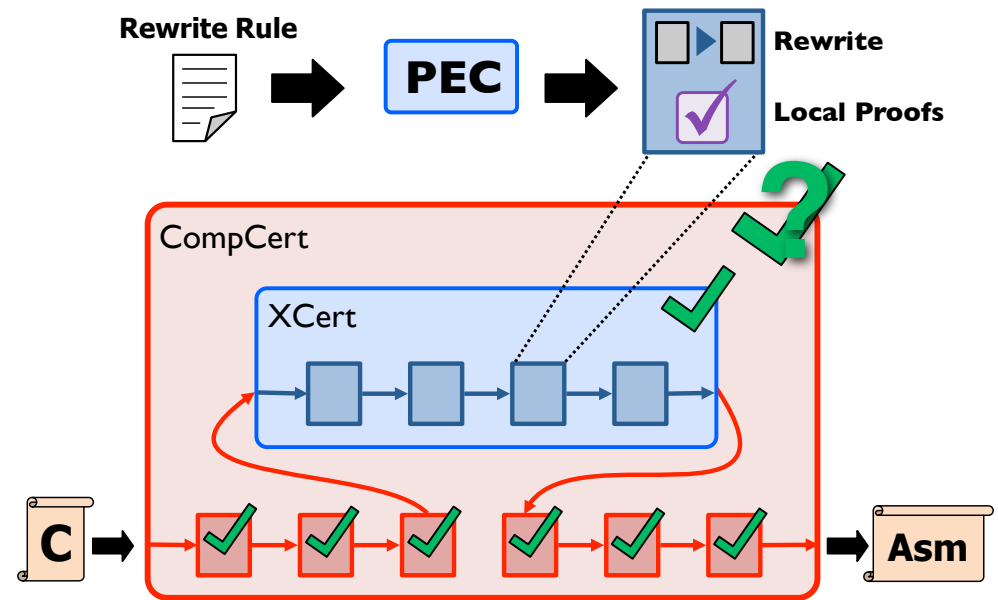
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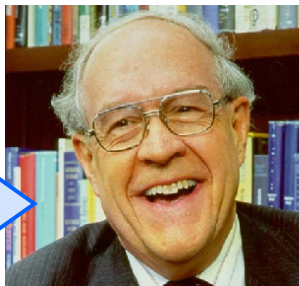
Future Work

Generating and evaluating specs

techniques to ensure spec matches intuition

Even perfect program verification can only establish that a program meets its specification... Much of the essence of building a program is in fact the debugging of the specification.

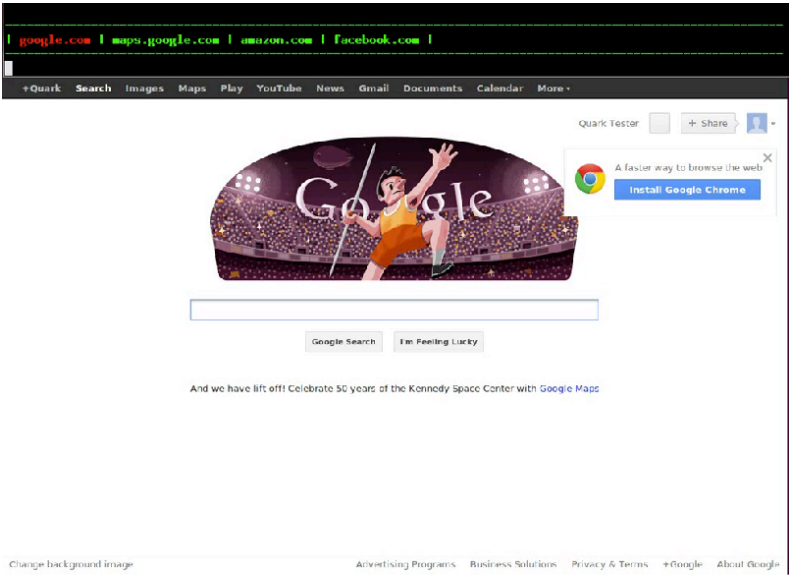
Frederick P. Brooks, Jr.
 No Silver Bullet



Software Infrastructure



Quark Usability



Browsers: Critical Infrastructure

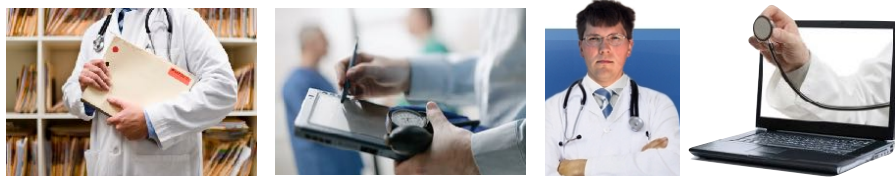
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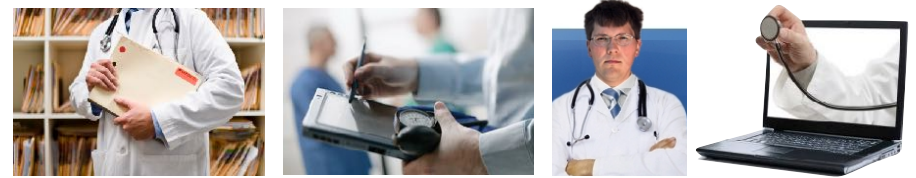
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