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Chopped Symbolic Execution

- **Problem**: heavily-branching uninteresting code might hinder deep exploration
- **Solution**: mark code, create state snapshot, skip code, recover snapshot and execute *relevant* branches of skipped code if side-effects influence current state
- David will present his work later

Floating-Point Arithmetic

- **Problem**: missing floating point support in KLEE
- **Solution**: implement it—twice

Liew, Schemmel, Cadar, Donaldson, Zähl, Wehrle: Floating-Point Symbolic Execution: A Case Study in N-version Programming, ASE 2017

JIT Fuzzing Solver

- **Problem**: traditional constraint-solving is often slow and boring
- Solution: take a set of constraints, translate them into a program, if input traverses only true branches it represents satisfying assignment, use fuzzer to find these inputs

Quality of Symbolic Executors

- **Problem**: many people use symbolic executors to test software, only few people test symbolic executors
- **Solution**: combine program generation with differential testing for symbolic executors

Kapus, Cadar: Automatic Testing of Symbolic Execution Engines via Program Generation and Differential Testing, ASE 2017

Array Constraint Optimisations

- **Problem**: high solving time for constraints involving large arrays
- **Solution**: use semantics-preserving constraint transformations to improve solving time

Program Transformations

- **Problem**: path explosion and high solving time
- **Solution**: use program transformations to improve solving time and to aid exploration

Binary-level Symbolic Execution

- **Problem**: KLEE executes LLVM bitcode
- **Solution**: add support for native binaries