

State Merging with Quantifiers in Symbolic Execution



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Symbolic Execution: State Merging

- Mitigates path explosion by joining exploration paths
- Often leads to:
 - **Large disjunctive** constraints
 - Costly constraint solving

Today's Talk

- State merging using **compact quantified** constraints
- Specialized solving procedure

$(\dots) \vee (\dots) \vee \dots \vee (\dots)$



$\forall x. (\dots)$

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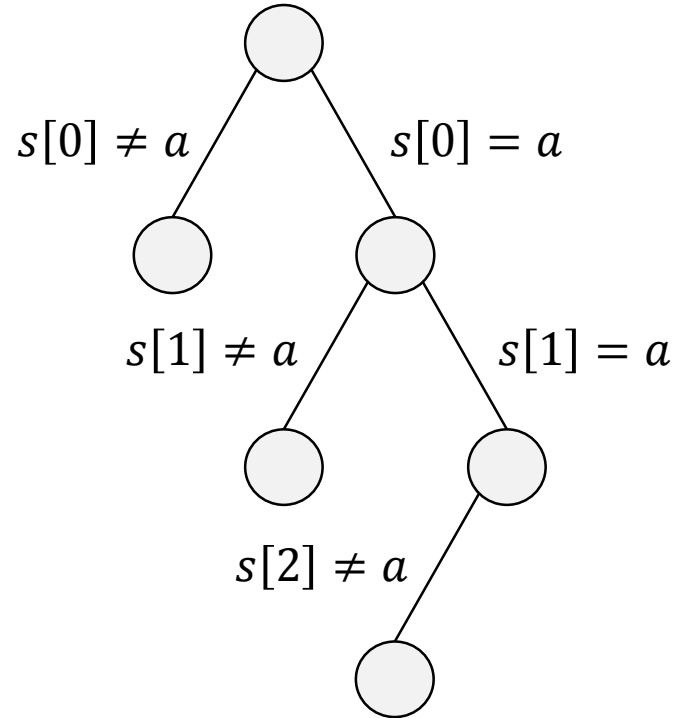


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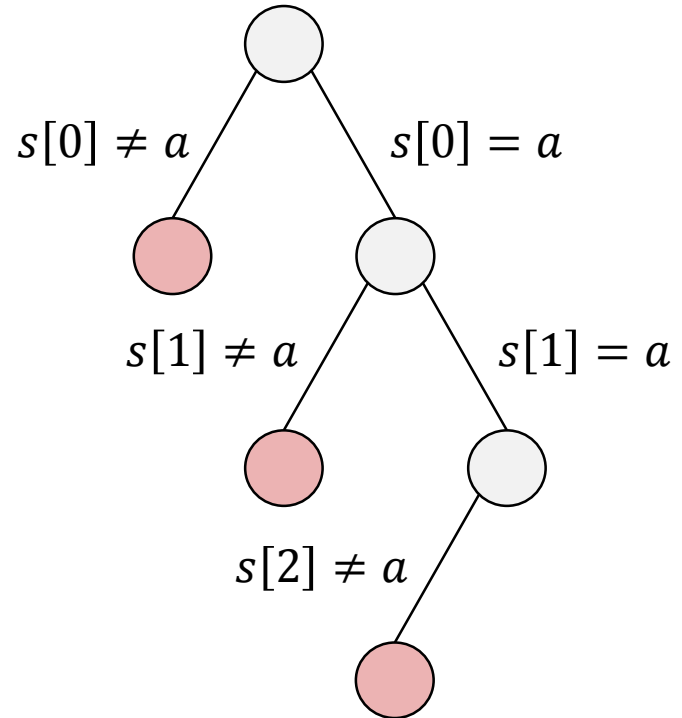


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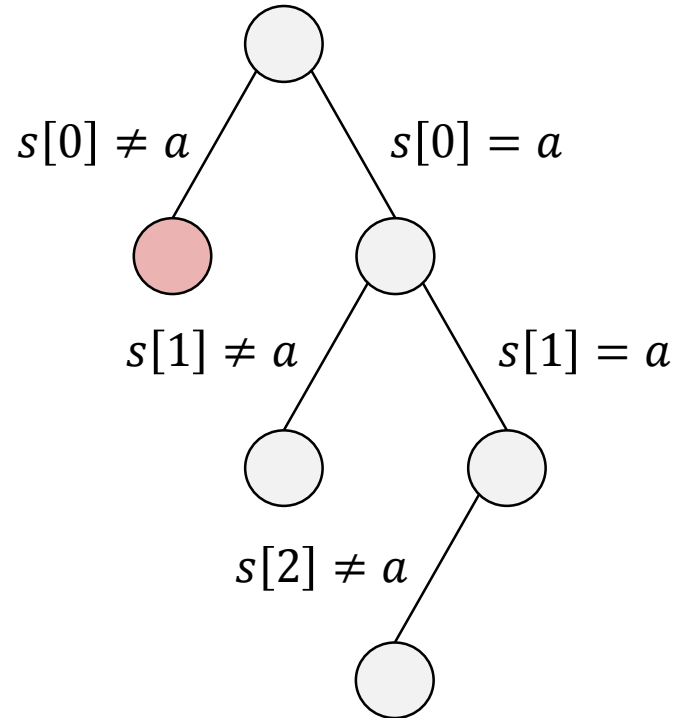
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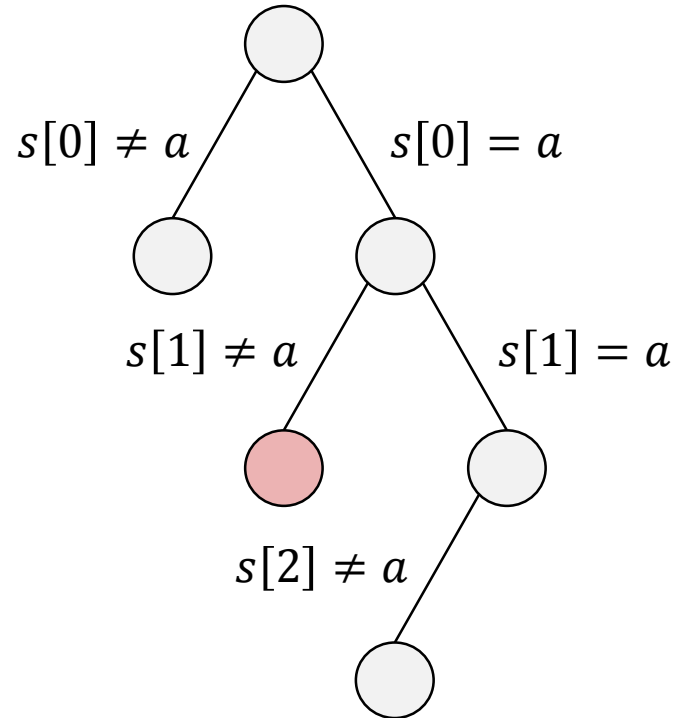
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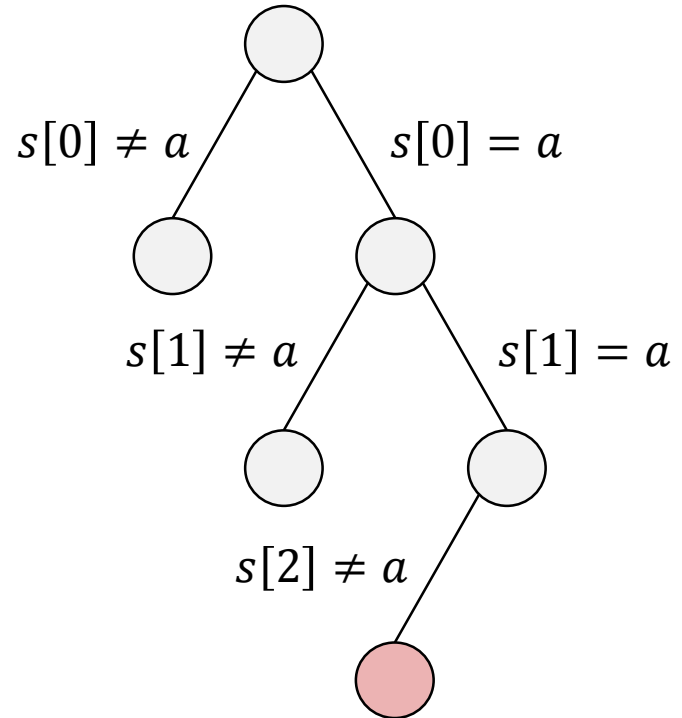


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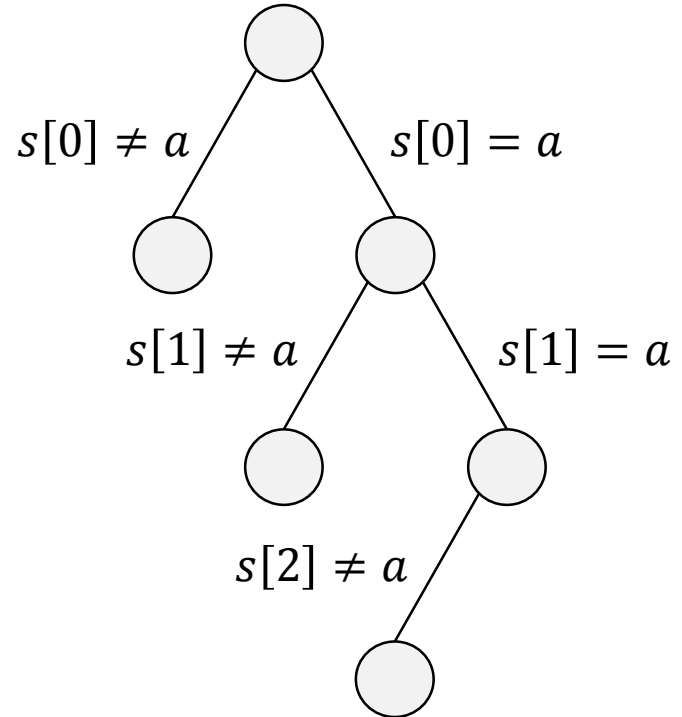


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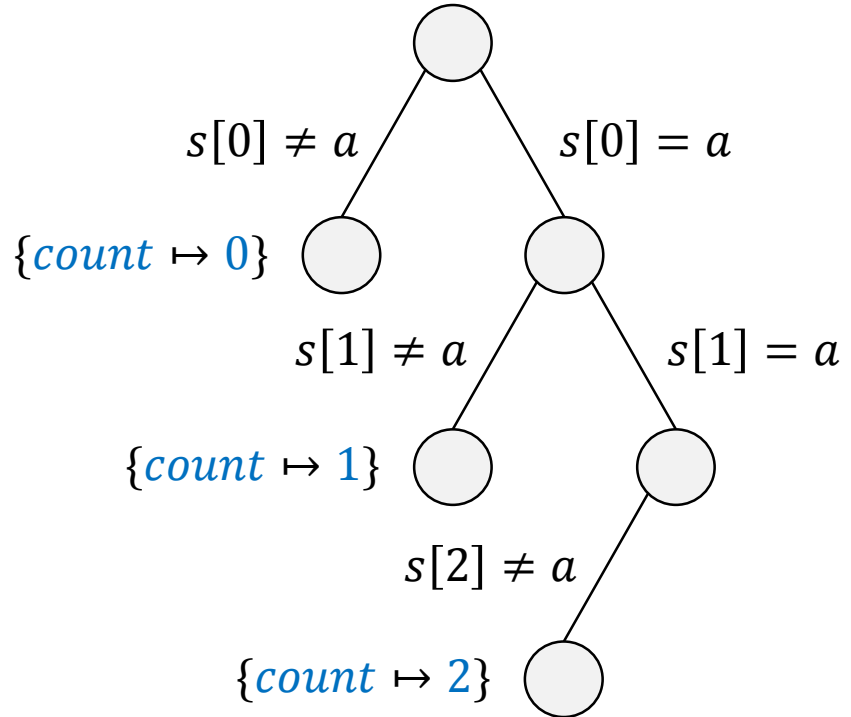


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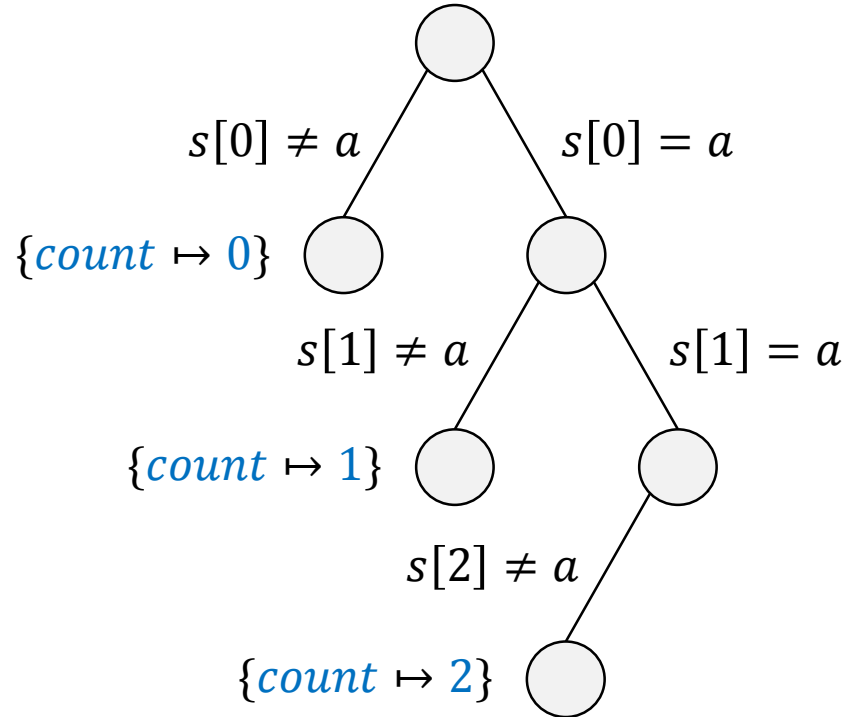
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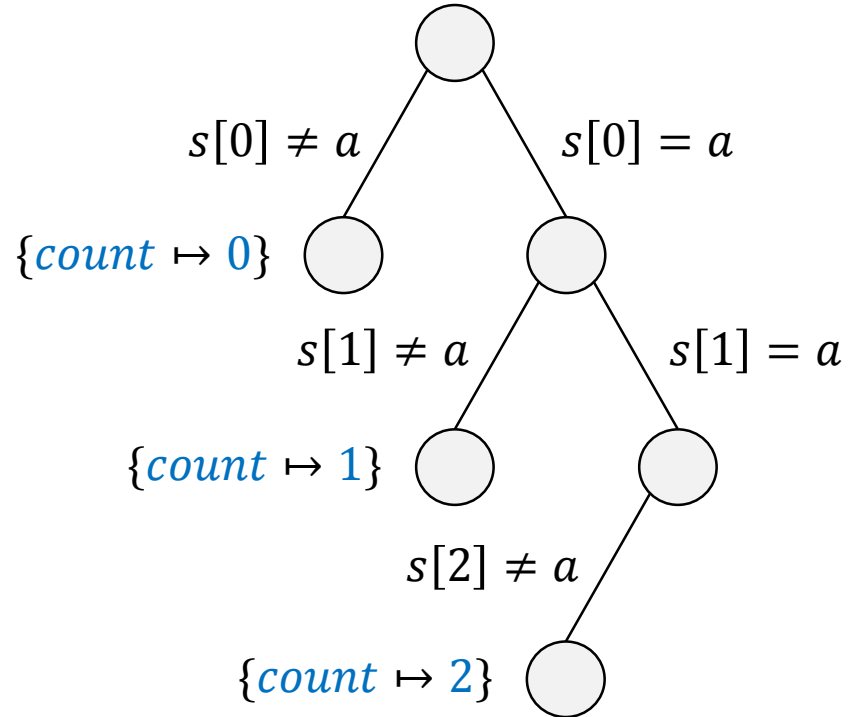
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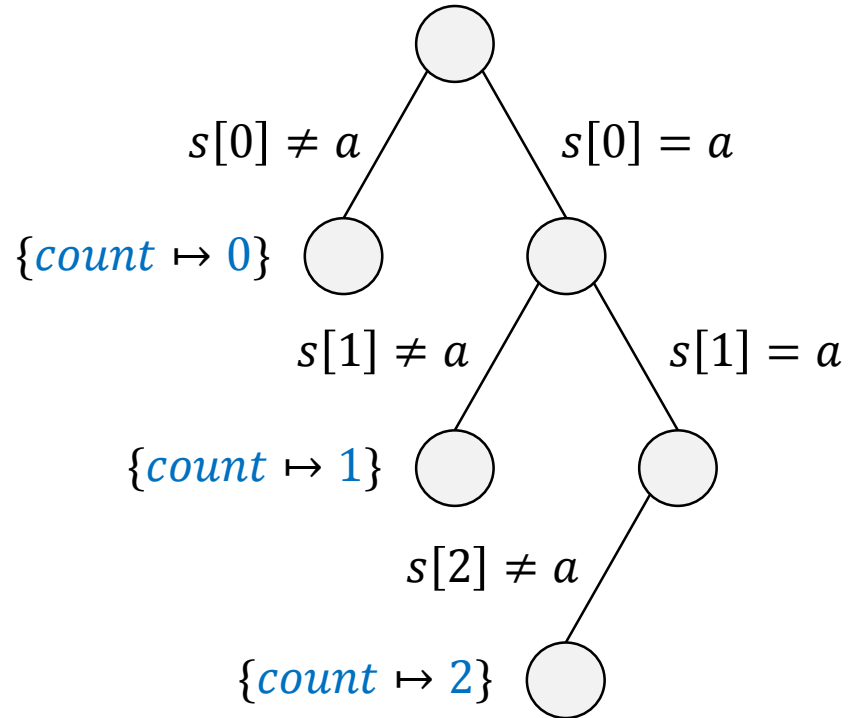
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State Merging

Path constraints

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Value of m

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State Merging with Quantifiers

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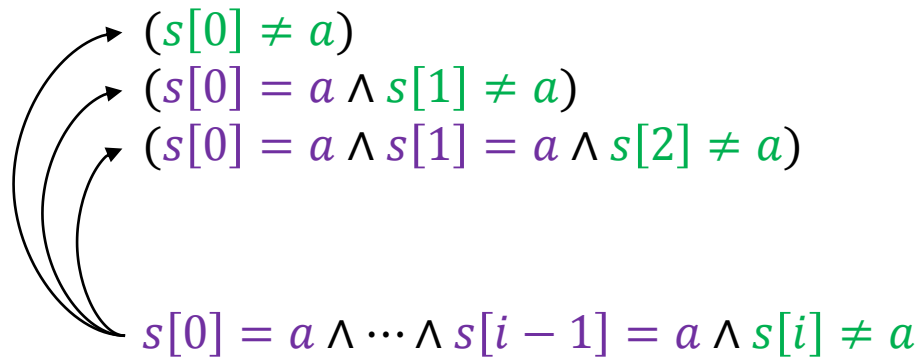
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State Merging with Quantifiers

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$$s[0] = a \wedge \dots \wedge s[i-1] = a \wedge s[i] \neq a$$

$i = 0, 1, 2$



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bound variable

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fresh free variable 

State Merging with Quantifiers

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State Merging with Quantifiers

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$$0 \leq j \leq 2 \wedge (\forall x. 1 \leq x \leq j \rightarrow s[i + x - 1] = b) \wedge s[i + j] \neq b$$

Value of m

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Comparison: Path Constraints

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Questions

- How to **automatically synthesize** the quantified constraints?
- How to **efficiently solve** the quantified constraints?
- Does it improve the **performance** of symbolic execution?

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Solving Quantified Constraints

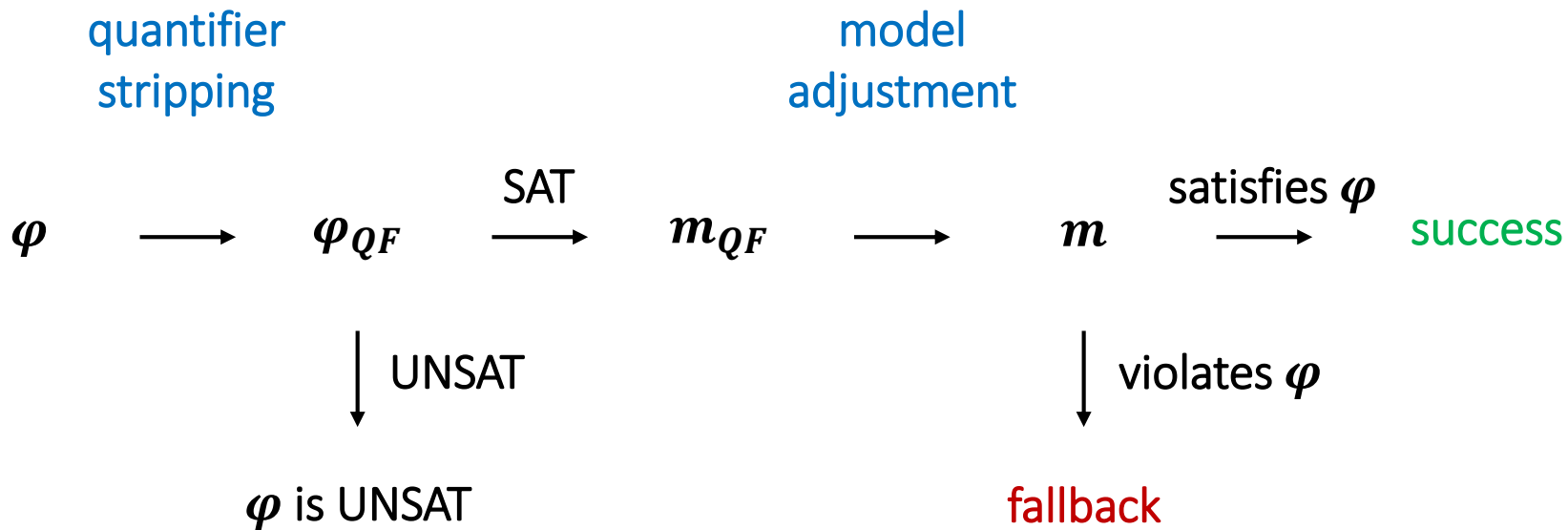
Problem:

- Quantified constraints are **challenging** for SMT solvers
- **Slower** compared to standard (quantifier-free) state merging

Our solution:

- Exploit the **specific structure** of the quantified constraints
- Add a **solving layer** on top of the SMT solver

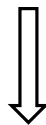
Solving Procedure



Quantifier Stripping

Input: φ

$$\forall x. \mathbf{1} \leq x \leq i \rightarrow \psi(x)$$



$$\underbrace{\mathbf{1} \leq x \leq i \rightarrow \psi(x) [\mathbf{1}/x]}_{\text{instantiation}} \wedge \underbrace{\neg(\mathbf{1} \leq t_1 \leq i) \wedge \dots \wedge \neg(\mathbf{1} \leq t_m \leq i)}_{\varphi \Rightarrow \neg\psi[t_j / x]}$$

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↓ SMT

satisfies φ_{QF} {

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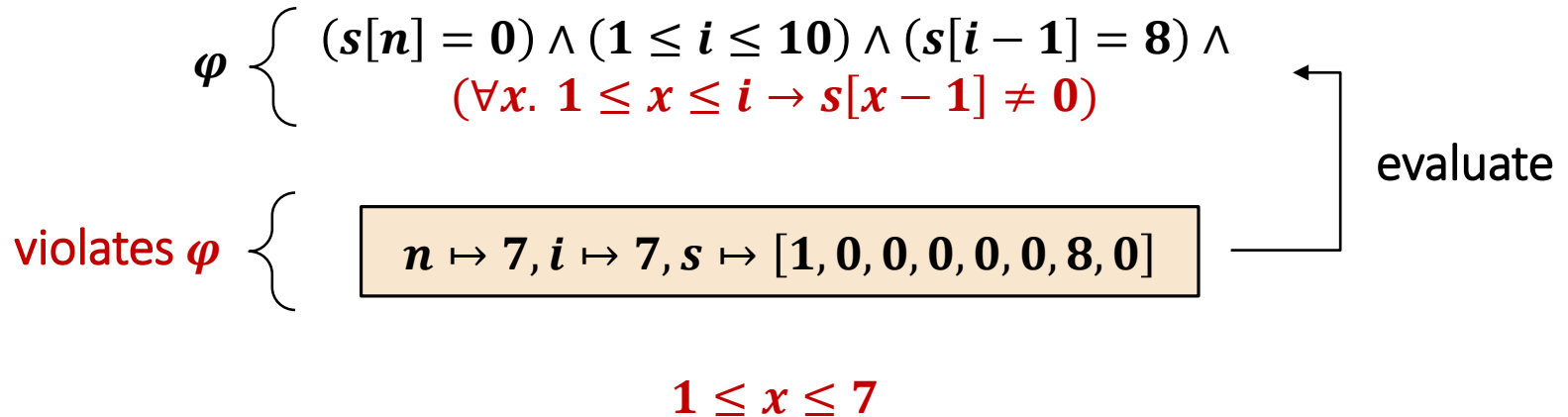
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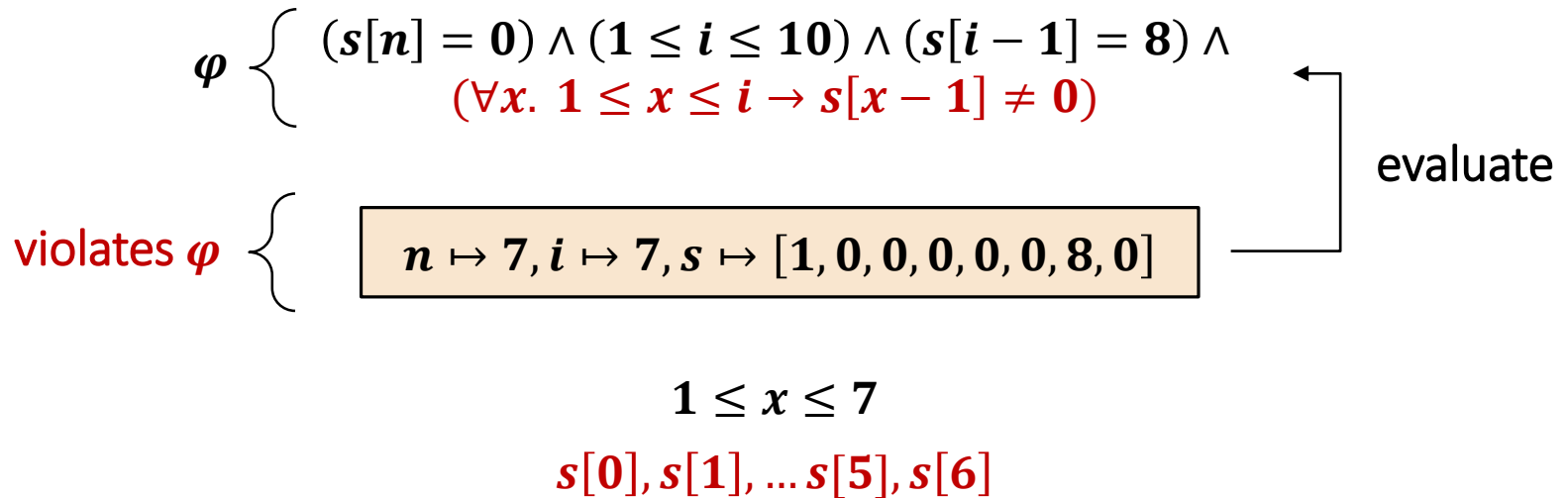
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evaluate

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$s[0], s[1], \dots, s[5], s[6]$

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still violates φ

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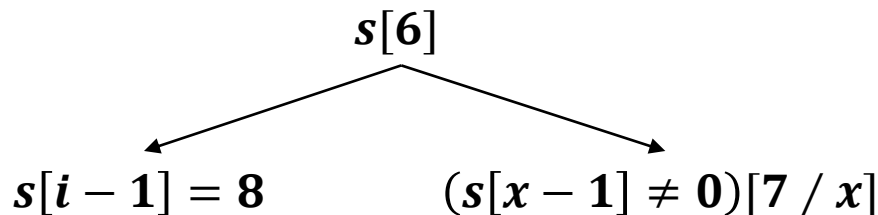
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conflict



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satisfies φ

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Additional Contributions

Incremental state merging

- Merging on-the-fly
 - Instead of merging after the exploration of the code fragment
- Handling complex loops (exponential execution trees)

More details in the paper...

Implementation: KLEE

Main changes:

- Extended the **expression language**
- Extended **state merging** capabilities
- Extended the **solver chain** for solving quantified queries



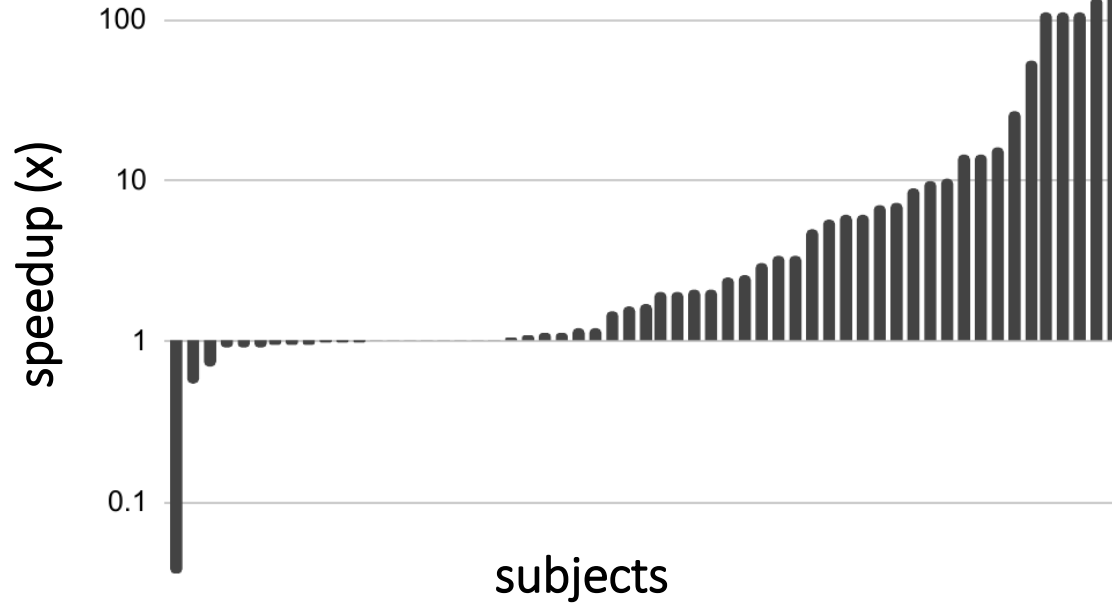
Evaluation

Benchmarks

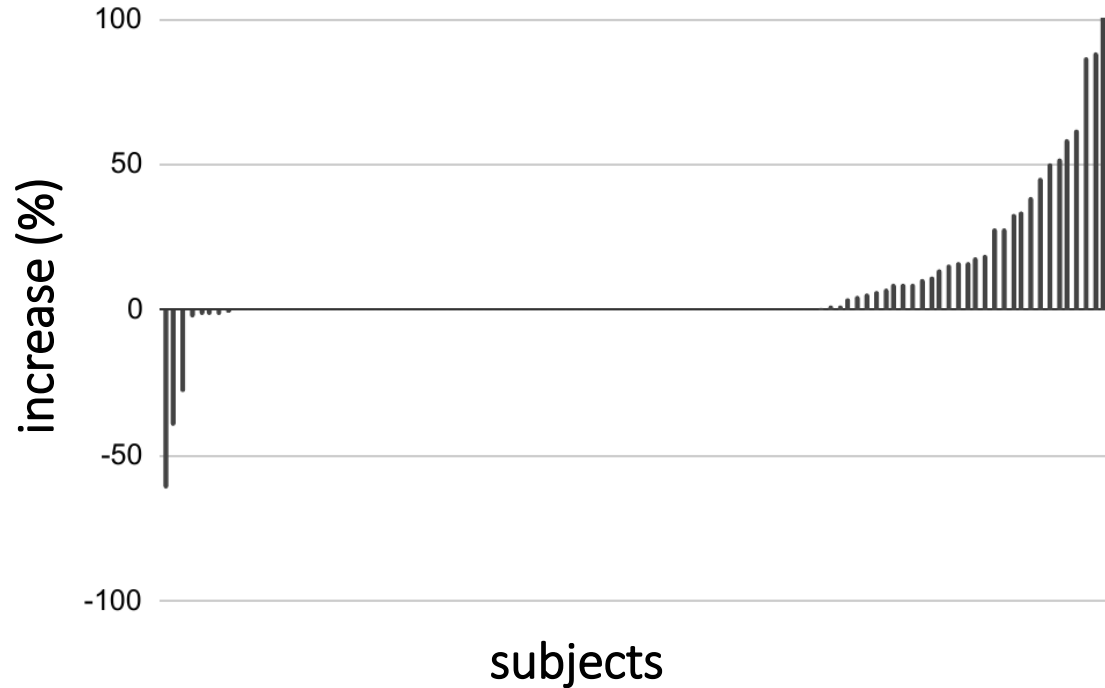
- GNU oSIP (*35 subjects*)
- wget (*31 subjects*)
- GNU libtasn1 (*13 subjects*)
- libpng (*12 subjects*)
- APR (Apache Portable Runtime) (*20 subjects*)
- json-c (*5 subjects*)
- busybox (*30 subjects*)



Evaluation: Analysis Time



Evaluation: Coverage



Found Bugs

Detected bugs in *klee-uclibc* in the experiments with *busybox*

- Two *memory out-of-bound's*
- Confirmed and fixed

Summary

- State merging using quantified constraints
- Specialized solving procedure for quantified constraints
- Evaluated on real-world benchmarks
- Found bugs



<https://github.com/davidtr1037/klee-quantifiers>