Automated Test Case Generation for an Autopilot Requirement Prototype

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motivation

- need for Human – Automation Interaction (HAI) test support in the aircraft certification and approval process
- existing formal method algorithms and framework might help
- but any results must be transparent and usable by evaluator

automated test-case generation through symbolic execution

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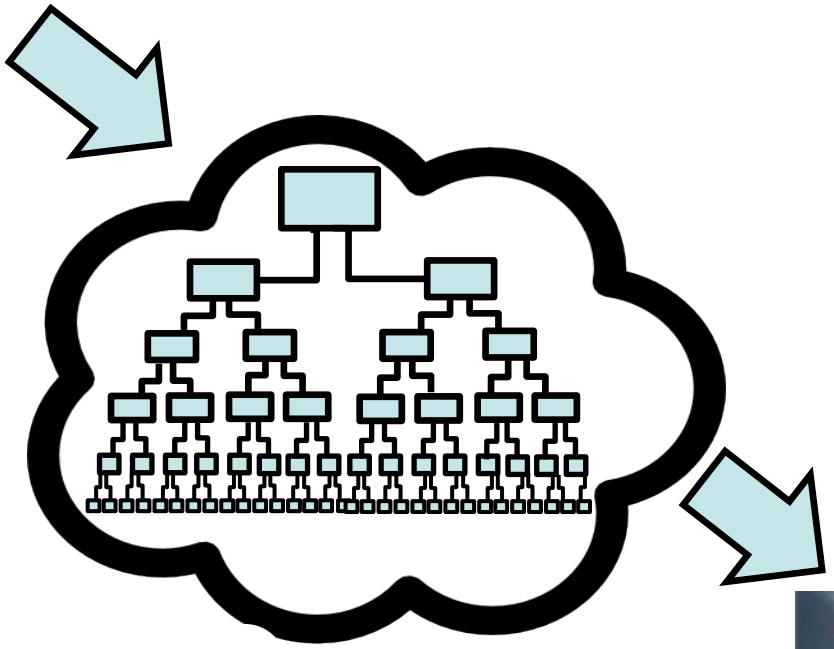
concept

```
for m1 = 1,M do begin
 for m2 = 1,M do begin
  for u1 = u_min,u_max do begin
   for u2 = u_min,u_max do begin
    if u1 gt u2 then begin
     for v1 = v_min,v_max do begin
      if v1 lt u1 then begin
       for v2 = v_min,v_max do begin
        if v2 ge v1 then begin
         KE_B = double(m1*u1^2+m2*u2^2)
         KE_A = double(m1*v1^2+m2*v2^2)
         if (KE_B gt KE_A) and (KE_A ge 0.965*KE_B) then begin
          x_axis[index]=index
          LM_B = double(m1*u1+m2*u2)
          LM_A = double(m1*v1+m2*v2)
          y_LM_Diffs[index]=LM_B-LM_A
          Total_LM=Total_LM+LM_B-LM_A
          y_LM_Total[index]=double(Total_LM/(index+1))
          index=index+1
          if index gt 65535 then goto, end_of_loop
         endif
        endif
       endfor
      endif
     endfor
    endif
   endfor
  endfor
 endfor
endfor
```

source code
(main method)



symbolic execution to
derive execution paths

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why symbolic execution?

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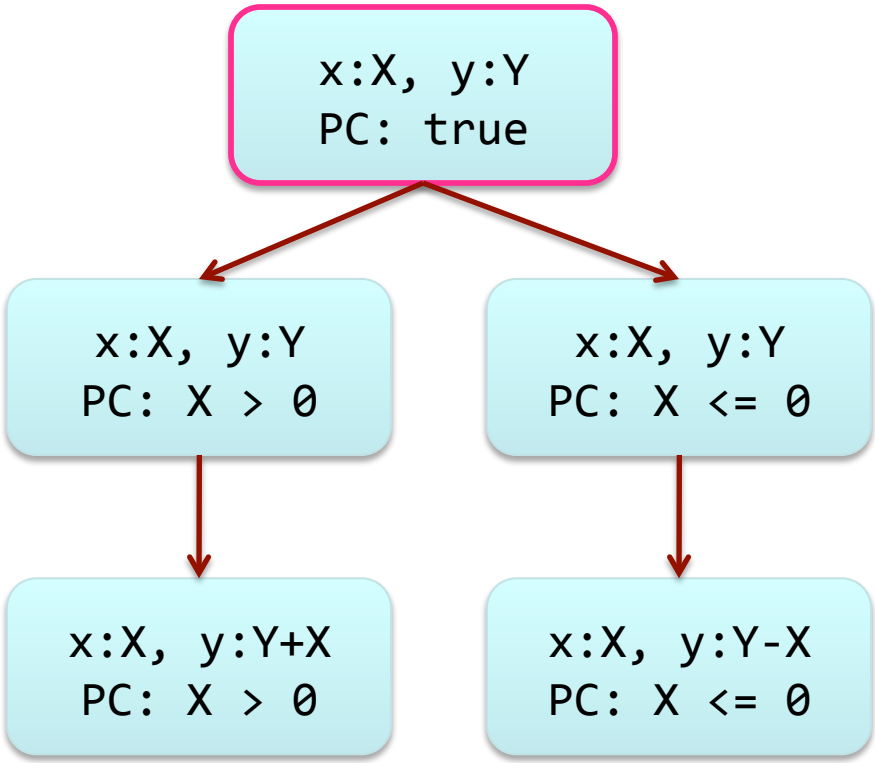

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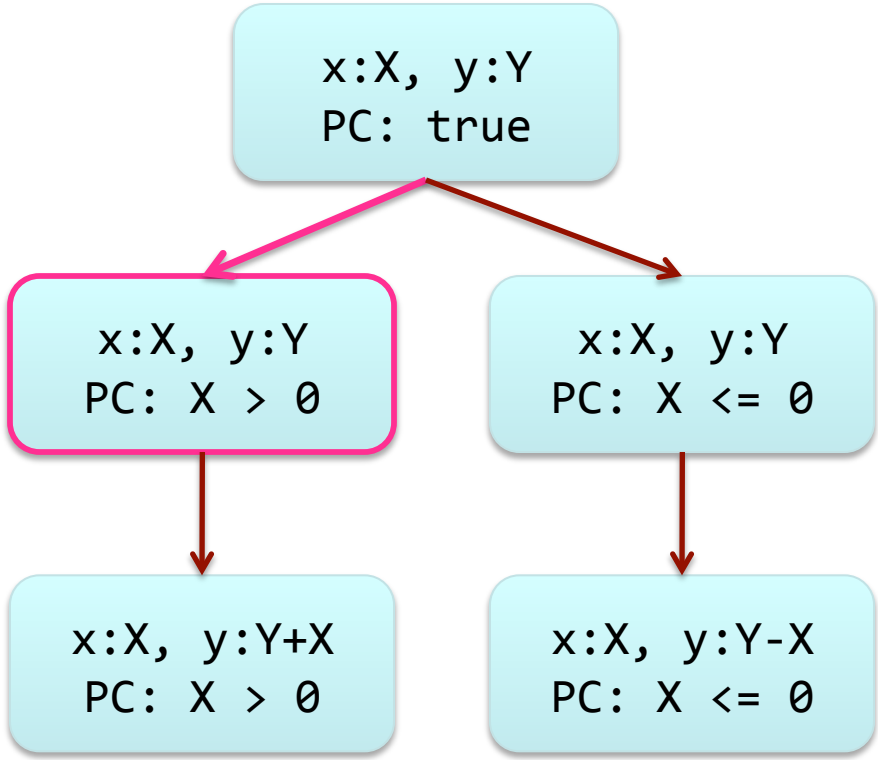

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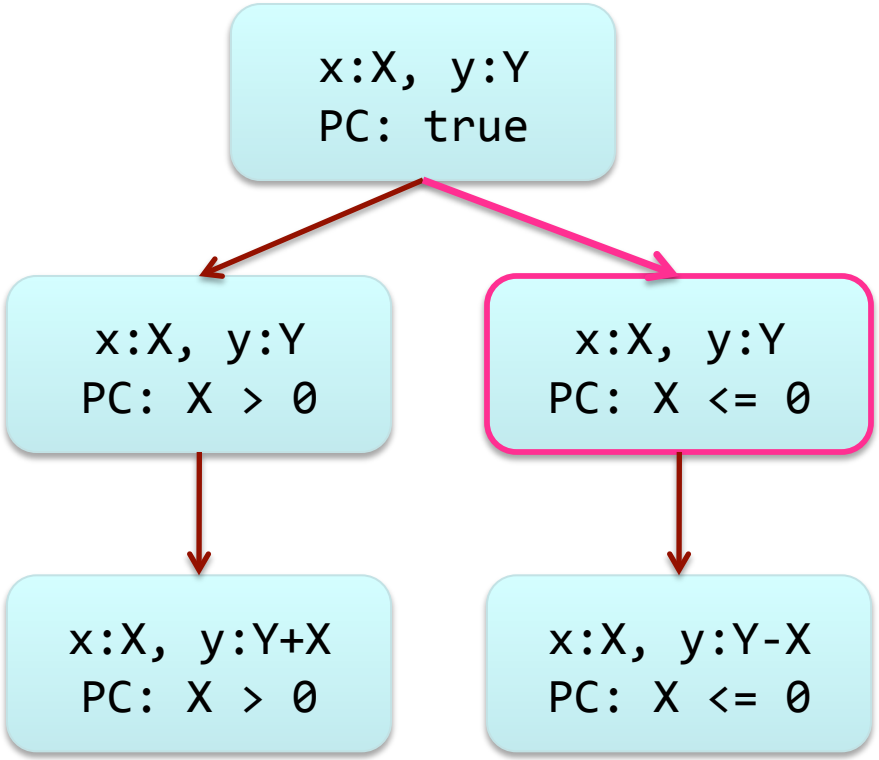

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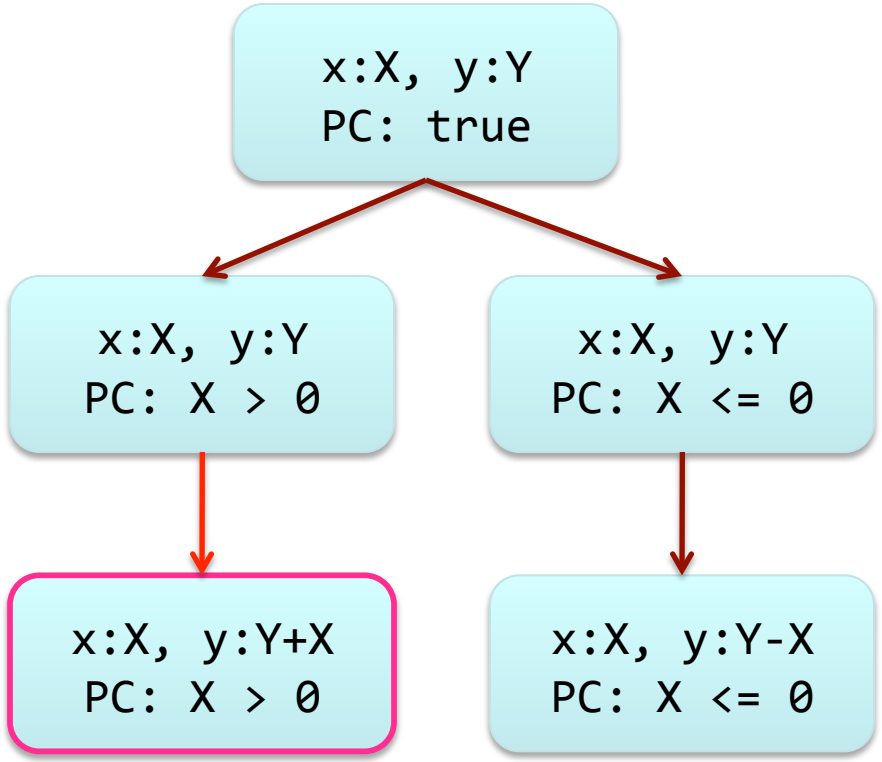

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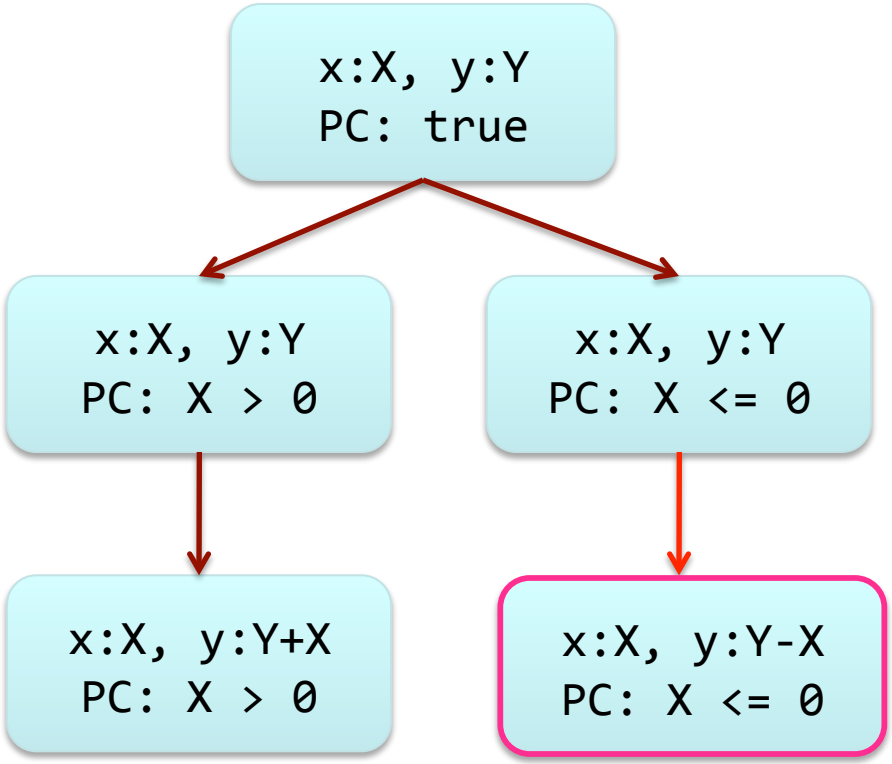

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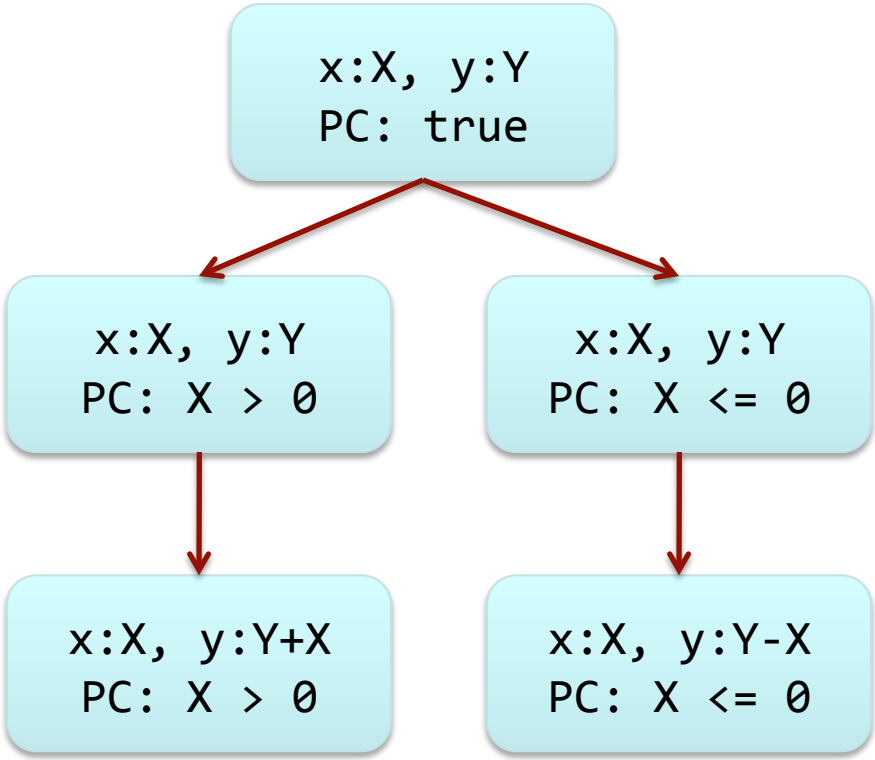

Test Input Generation	X = 1	X = 0

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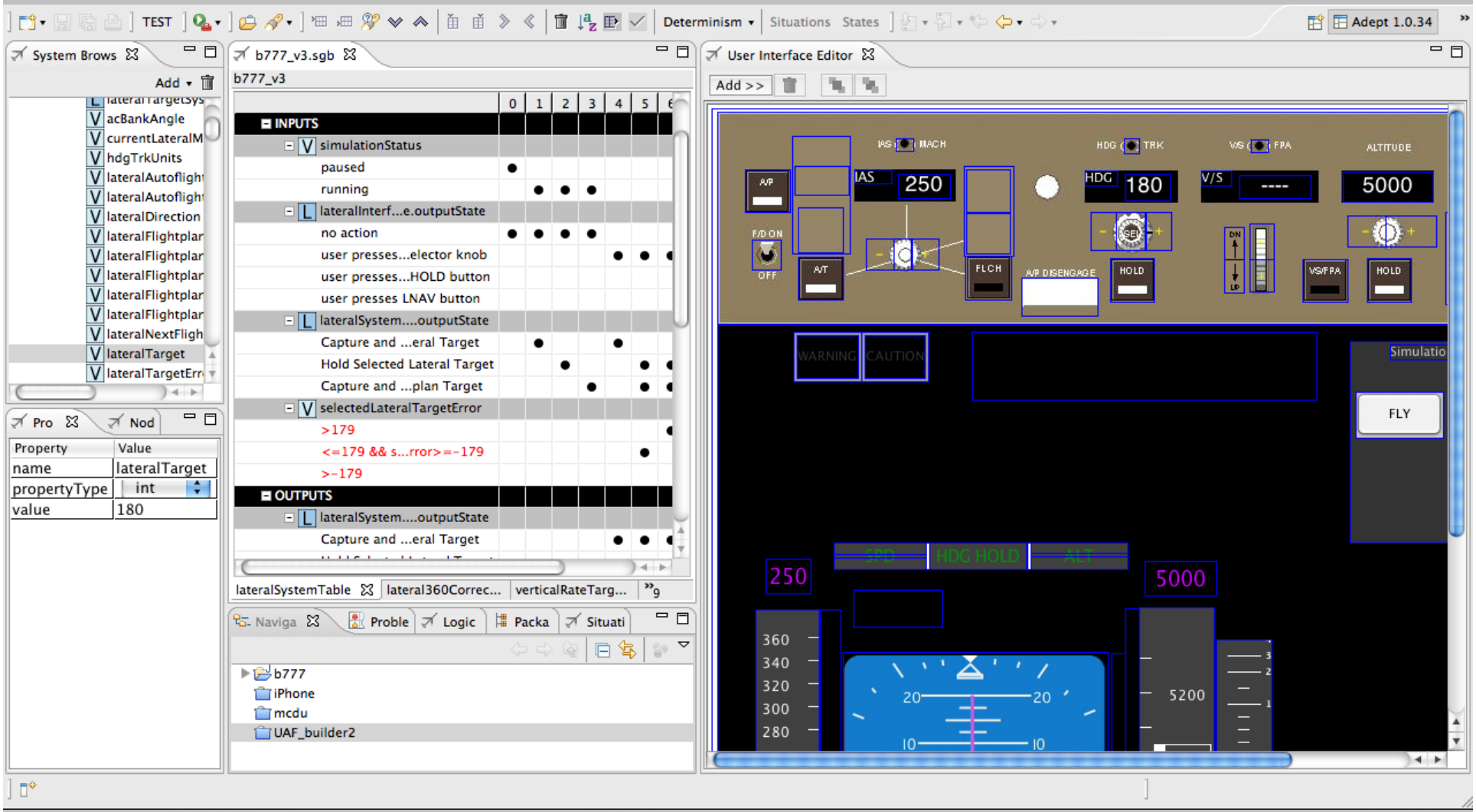
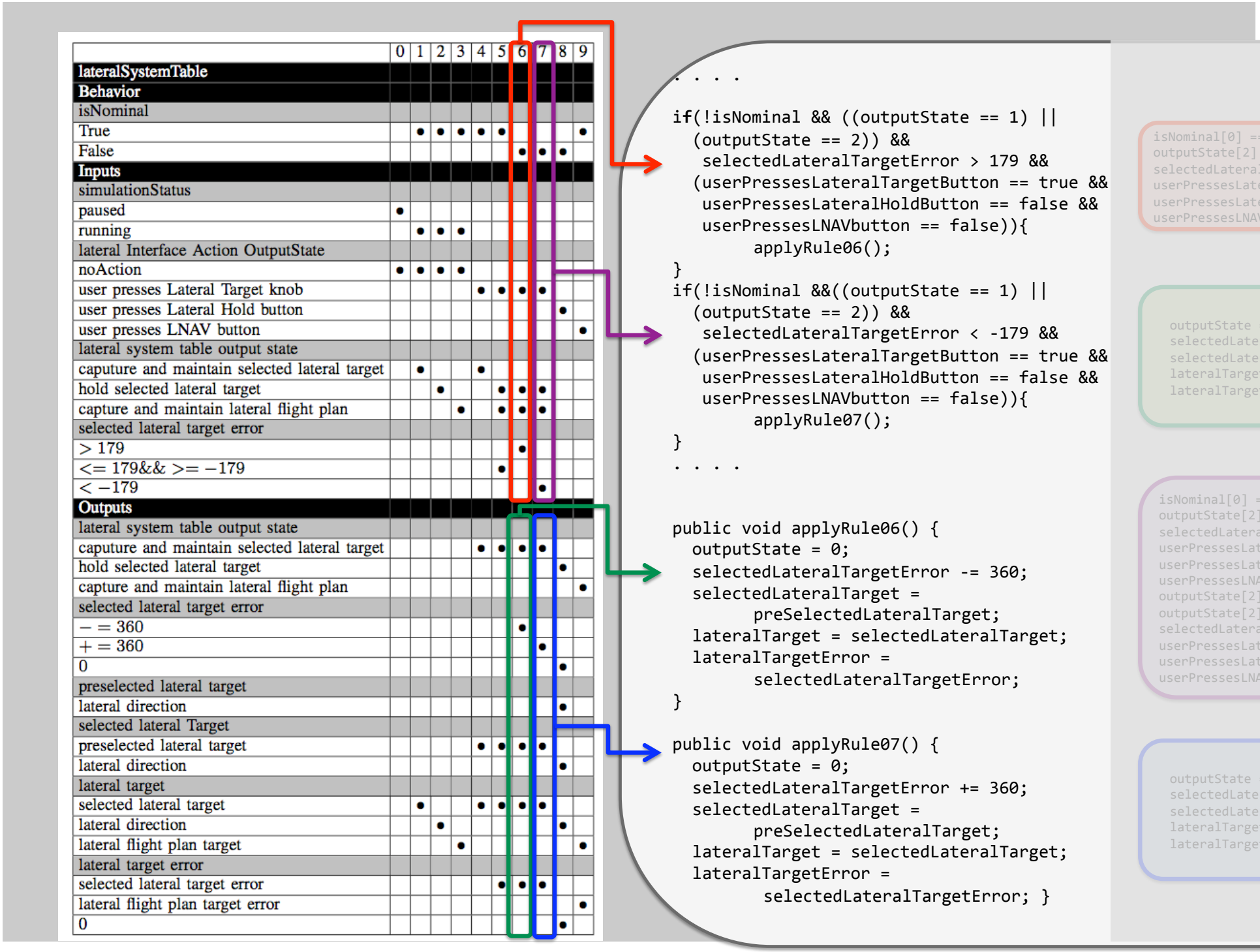
…when successful, automated test case generation automatically generates high quality test suites for full path coverage

Step 1: ADEPT to Java

Autopilot Example




lateralSystemTable
Behavior
isNominal
True
False
Inputs
simulationStatus
paused
running
lateral Interface Action OutputState
noAction
user presses Lateral Target knob
user presses Lateral Hold button
user presses LNAV button
lateral system table output state
caputure and maintain selected lateral target
hold selected lateral target
capture and maintain lateral flight plan
selected lateral target error
> 179
<= 179&& >= −179
< −179
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− = 360
+ = 360
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preselected lateral target
lateral direction
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lateral direction
lateral flight plan target
lateral target error
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. . . .
if(!isNominal && ((outputState == 1) ||
(outputState == 2)) &&
selectedLateralTargetError > 179 &&
(userPressesLateralTargetButton == true &&
userPressesLateralHoldButton == false &&
userPressesLNAVbutton == false)){
applyRule06();
}
if(!isNominal &&((outputState == 1) ||
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selectedLateralTargetError < -179 &&
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applyRule07();
}
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selectedLateralTargetError;
}
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selectedLateralTargetError += 360;
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preSelectedLateralTarget;
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lateralTargetError =
selectedLateralTargetError; }

Step 2: Symbolic Execution

what do we execute symbolically?

- method **`execute`** – parameters are user inputs (eg button presses) and are symbolic
- other (not user input) variables in the table that appear in rule conditions are eligible to be treated as symbolic; this allows us to explore different initial values that may lead us to different paths
- the **`main`** method calls method **`execute`** n times (n can be selected); each time, fresh values are picked for the symbolic parameters since each time the user input actions may vary

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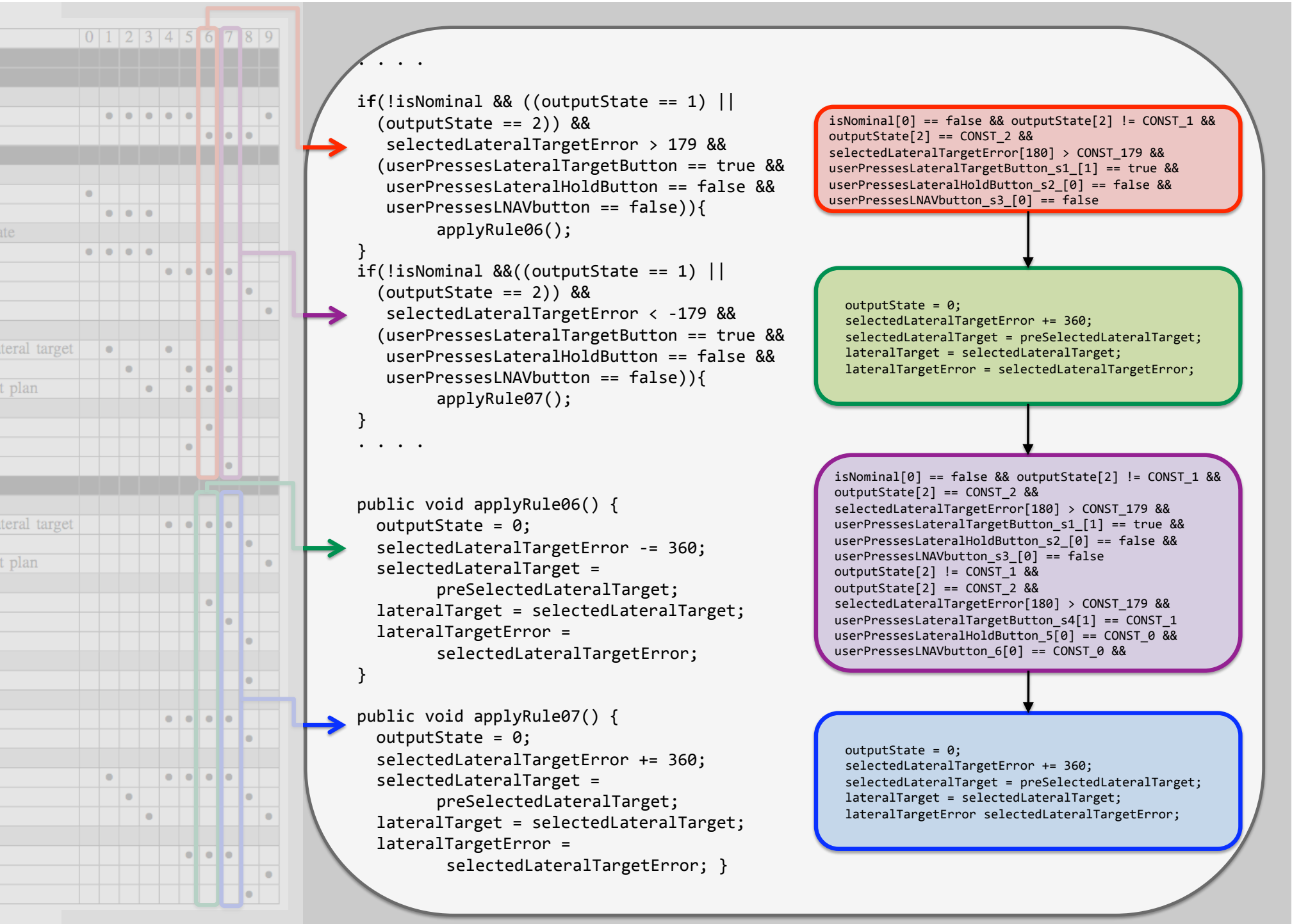
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selectedLateralTargetError[180] > CONST_179 &&
userPressesLateralTargetButton_s1_[1] == true &&
userPressesLateralHoldButton_s2_[0] == false &&
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selectedLateralTargetError[180] > CONST_179 &&
userPressesLateralTargetButton_s4[1] == CONST_1
userPressesLateralHoldButton_5[0] == CONST_0 &&
userPressesLNAVbutton_6[0] == CONST_0 &&
outputState = 0;
selectedLateralTargetError += 360;
selectedLateralTarget = preSelectedLateralTarget;
lateralTarget = selectedLateralTarget;
lateralTargetError selectedLateralTargetError;

results and challenges

- automatically generated 16 test cases for n=1
- discovered through unsatisfiable path constraints that some rules disable each other

- (HAI challenge) provide support for modeling semantics of user interface components such momentary vs. toggle switch
- (HAI challenge) define coverage criteria – for example related to covering modes; also what values should we pick for n (what length of user inputs)?

- (generic challenge) scalability of symbolic execution

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- Generic

thank you!

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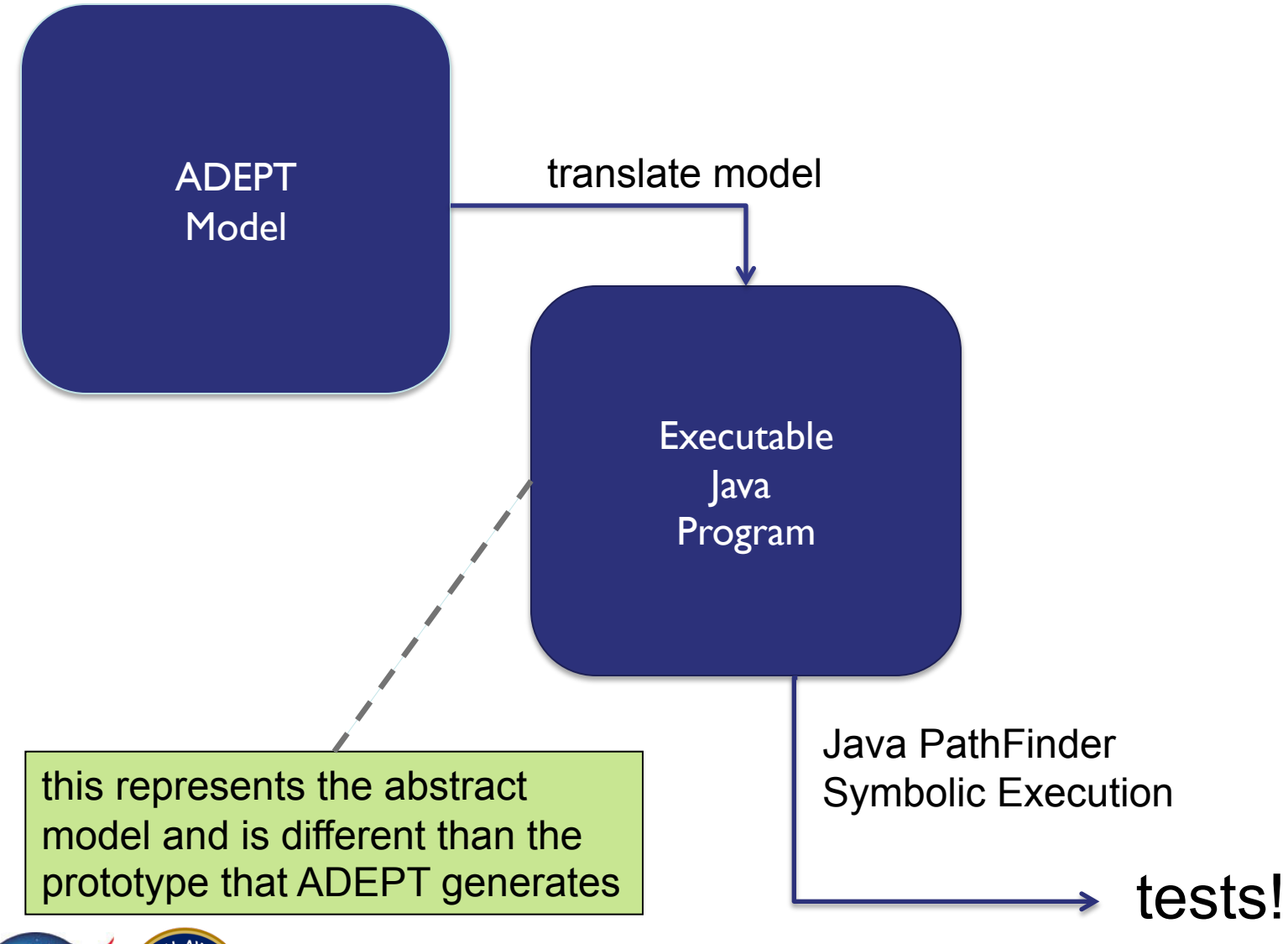
symbolic execution for ADEPT HAI models



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