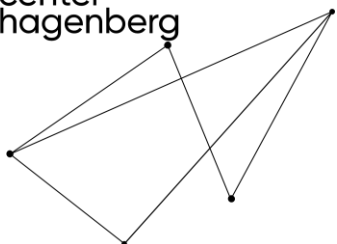


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# Fuzzing and Delta Debugging And-Inverter Graph Verification Tools

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*Ensuring correctness of verification tools is  
**equally** important as the correctness of the actual problems  
they try to establish.*

# Contributions

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## Incentive:

- Incentive towards investing effort in automated testing and debugging of automated reasoning tools
- Focus is on hardware verification

## Tools:

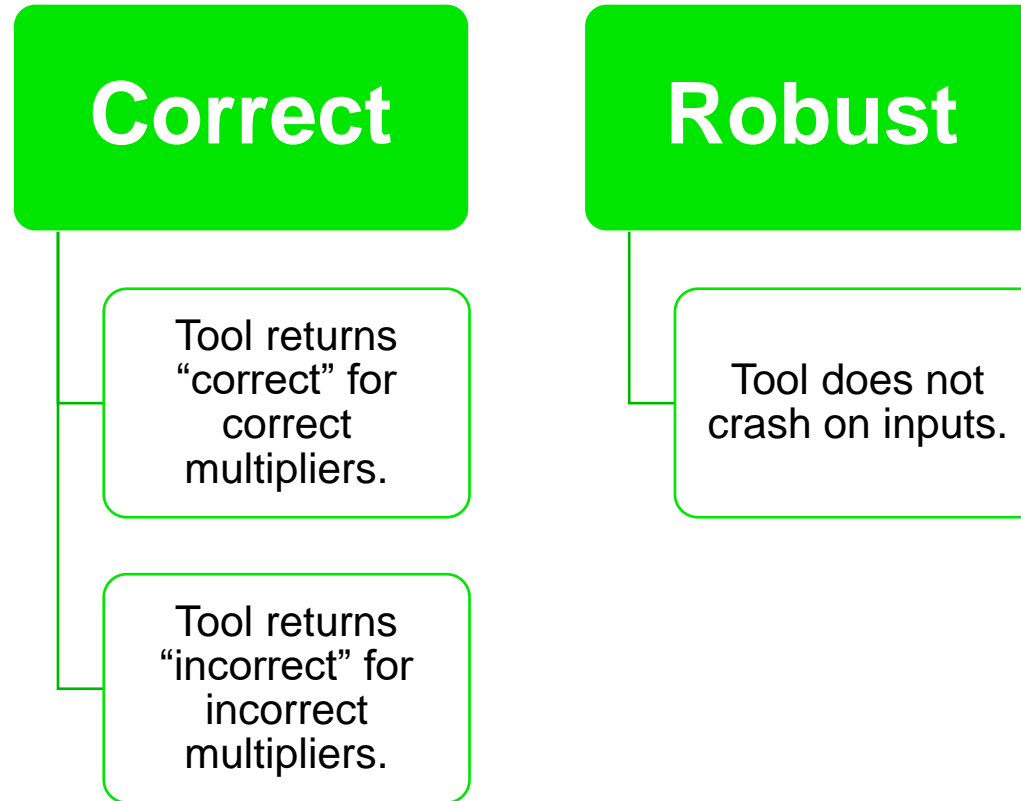
- Generation-based fuzzer *MultAIGenFuzzer*
- Mutation-based fuzzer *AIGoFuzzing*
- Delta debugging tool *AIGdd2*

## Experiments:

- Evaluate presented fuzzing tools on multiplier verification tools
- Investigate correctness and robustness.

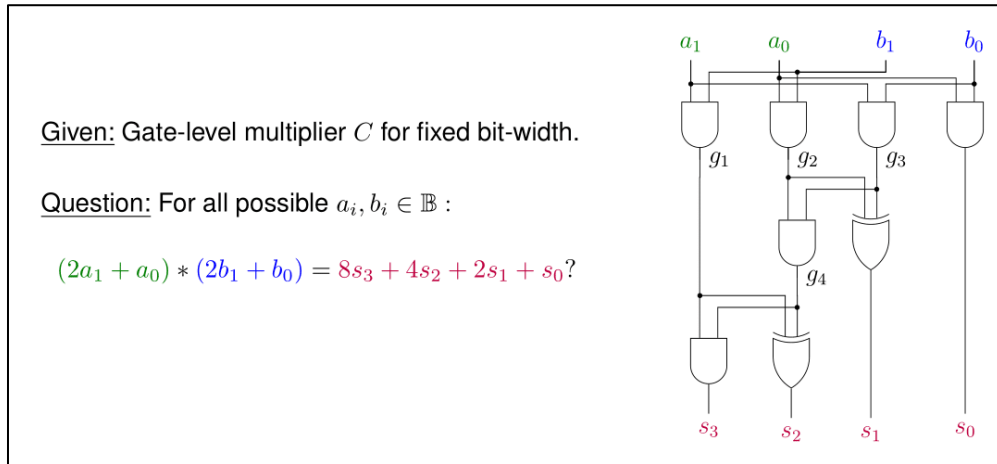
# Correctness & Robustness

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# Use Case: Multiplier Verification

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- In recent years verification of gate-level integer multipliers has made significant progress:
  - [SayedGroßeKühneSoekenDrechsler-DATE16], [SayedGroßenSoekenDrechsler-FMCAD16], [RitircBiereKauers-FMCAD17], [MahzoonGroßeDrechsler-ICCAD18], [RitircBiereKauers-DATE18], [MahzoonGroßeDrechsler-DAC19], [KaufmannBiereKauers-FMCAD19], [MahzoonGroßeSchollDrechsler-DATE20], [KaufmannBiere-TACAS21], [MahzoonGroßeDrechsler-TCAD21], [KaufmannBeameBiereNordström-DATE22]
  - [MahzoonGroßeSchollDrechsler-DATE20] → **DyPoSub**
  - [KaufmannBiere-TACAS21] → **AMulet2**

## Automated Reasoning & Fuzzing

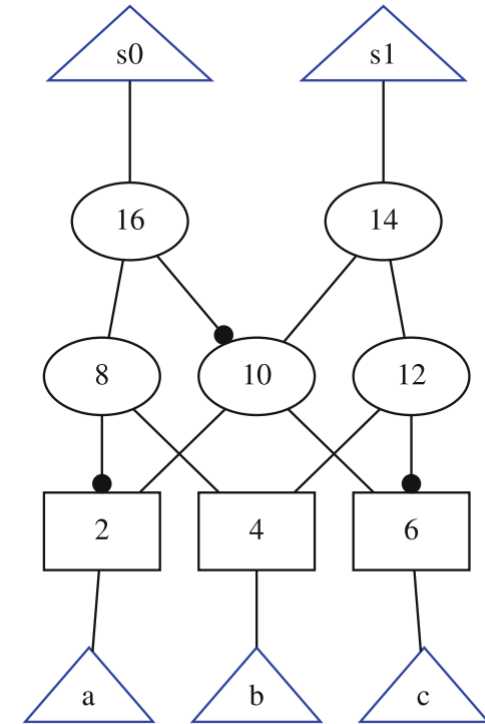
- Satisfiability Modulo Theories (SMT) [BrummayerBiere-SMTWorkshop09], [MansurChristakisWüstholtzZhang-FSE2020]
  - Satisfiability Checking (SAT) [BrummayerLonsingBiere-SAT10]
  - Quantified Boolean formulas (QBF) [BrummayerLonsingBiere-SAT10]
  - Interactive Provers [LampropoulosHicksPierce-OOPSLA19]
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- Current research in multiplier verification focuses on efficiency and automation.
  - We are not aware of research of fuzzing and debugging for tools that read AIGs.

## **AlGs, Fuzzing & Delta Debugging**

# And-Inverter Graphs - AIGs

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- [KuehlmannParuthiKrohmGanai-TCAD02]
  - Directed acyclic graph
  - Represents the structural implementation of a circuit
  - Rarely structural efficient, but efficient to manipulate
  - Consists of two-input nodes
  - Nodes represent logical conjunction
  - Markings on edges represent negation
- $l_{14} = l_{10} \wedge l_{12}$
- $l_{16} = l_8 \wedge \neg l_{10}$





- Technique for automated software testing
- **Idea:**
  - Treat the program as a black-box
  - Use random, invalid and unexpected inputs
  - Detect failures and tool crashes
- **History:**
  - Originated in the 90's: random inputs detected many errors in UNIX command line programs
  - Since then, a variety of automated testing approaches and tools have been developed (ClusterFuzz by Google, or OneFuzz by Microsoft)

# Fuzzing Techniques

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Input	Generation-based fuzzers	generate random input from scratch
Usage	Mutation-based fuzzers	mutate existing input seeds by making small modifications
Structural	Black-box fuzzers	are completely unaware of the internal structure of the program under test
Knowledge	White-box fuzzers	uses program analysis to systematically generate inputs that increase code coverage

Black-box fuzzing is faster and can easily be parallelized;  
but may only trigger easy-to-reach bugs.

## MultAIGenFuzzer

- Generation-based
- Black-box

Generates multiplier circuits from scratch by combining building blocks.

## AlGoFuzzing

- Mutation-based
- Black-box

Mutates AIGs without violating structural constraints.

# Delta Debugging

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- Aims to reduce manual workload of debugging software problems
- Minimizes failure-inducing inputs
- **Idea:**
  - Binary search strategy
  - Repeatedly remove smaller and smaller parts of the failure inducing input
  - Until a minimal fix point is reached.
- AIGdd2 removes AIG nodes to narrow down the failure cause.

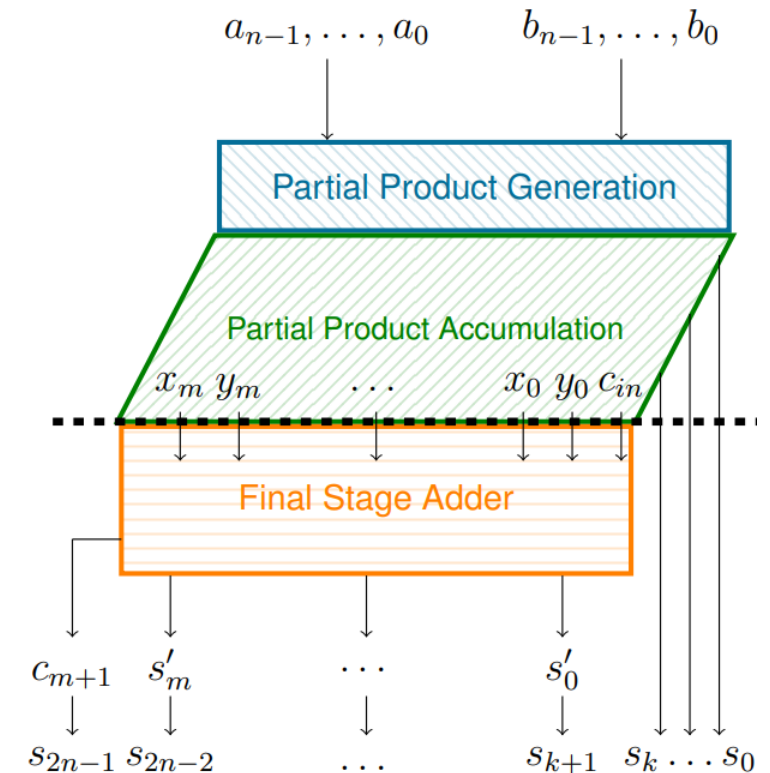
**MultAlGenFuzzer, AlGoFuzzing, AlGdd2**

# Multipliers

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$$\left( \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 2^i a_i \right) * \left( \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 2^i b_i \right) = \sum_{i=0}^{2n-1} 2^i s_i$$

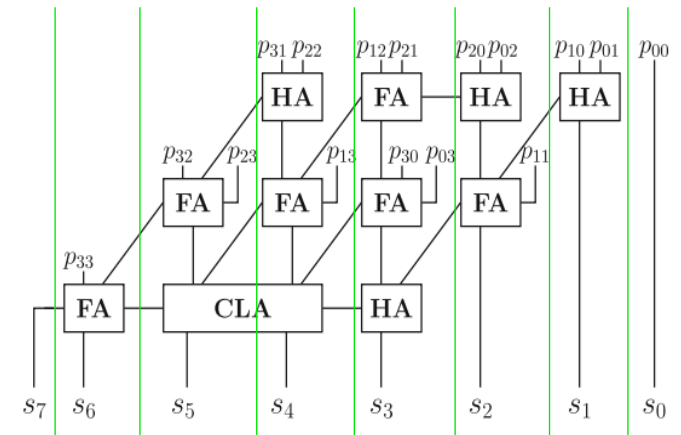
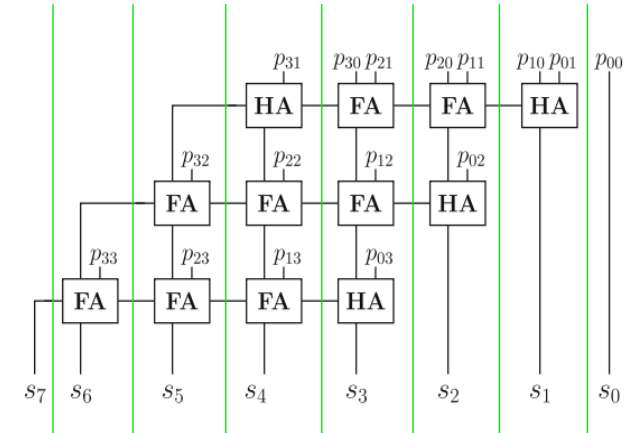
- For each component, several algorithms are available
  - Partial Product Generation: Simple conjunction, Radix Booth Encoding
  - Partial Product Accumulation: Array, Wallace-tree, compressor trees, ...
  - Final Stage Adder: Ripple-Carry, Carry-lookahead, Ladner-Fischer, ...
- All components have certain patterns
  - Their number is limited
  - Danger of introducing a bias in verification algorithms



# Generation-based Fuzzer - MultAIGenFuzzer

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- Generate correct multipliers with random patterns
- Random multiplier generation using MultAIGenFuzzer:
  - Partial product generation:
    - Generate partial products  $p_{ij} = a_i b_j$  using simple conjunction
    - Assign partial products to slices
  - Partial product accumulation
    - Select two or three random elements of a random slice
    - Addition using half- and full-adders
    - Repeat this step until all slices contain at maximum two elements
  - Final Stage adder
    - Using a mixture of full-adders, half-adders and carry-lookahead adders



# Mutation-based Fuzzing - AGoFuzzing

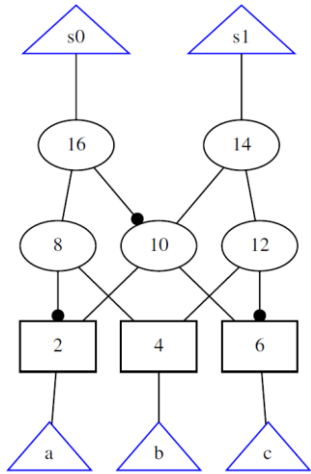
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- Input: AIGs
- Small modifications in the AIG that may or may not change the specification
- Not specifically designed for multiplier verification and can be used on any given AIG

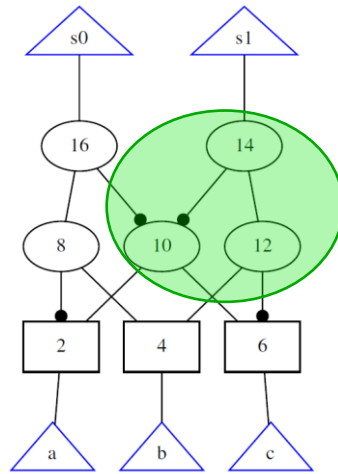


# AlGoFuzzing - Mutations

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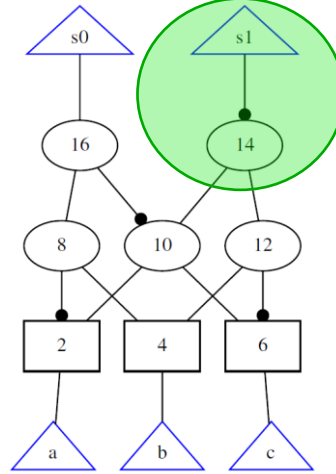
**Seed**



**Swapping Signs**

$$l_{14} = l_{10} \wedge l_{12} \\ \Rightarrow \\ l_{14} = \neg l_{10} \wedge l_{12}$$

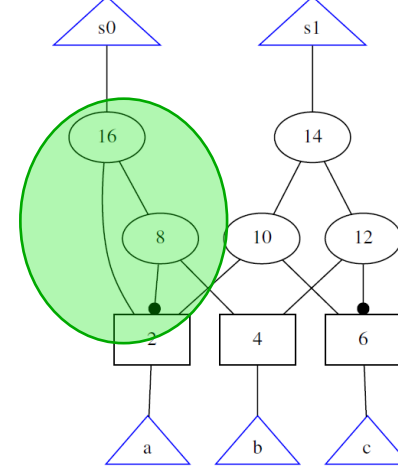
Affects specification



**Swapping Output**

- Special case of Swapping signs
- Negates specification for AIGs with single outputs

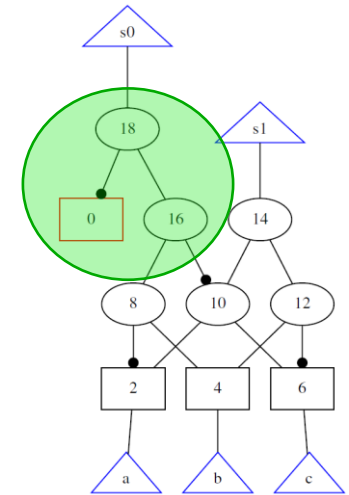
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**Modifying Node Input**

$$l_{16} = l_8 \wedge \neg l_{10} \\ \Rightarrow \\ l_{16} = l_8 \wedge l_2$$

Affects specification



**Inserting a constant**

- Four cases:  $\{0,1\}, \{\wedge, \vee\}$
- $v = v \vee 0 = v \wedge 1$
- $v \neq v \vee 1 \neq v \wedge 0$

Affects specification  
in 50% of the cases

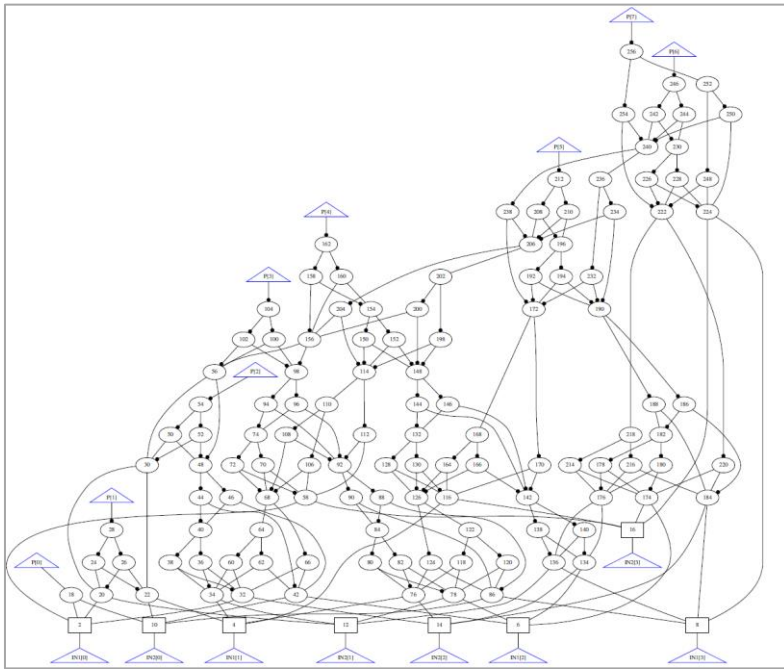
# Delta Debugging with Slices – AIGdd2

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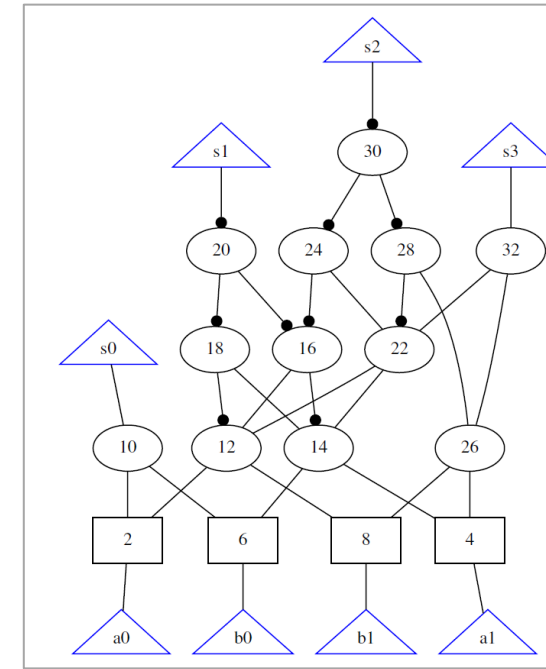
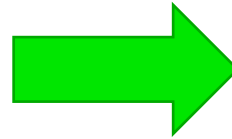
- Minimizes failure-inducing AIGs while preserving errors
- AIGdd2 does not find THE smallest possible failure-inducing input, but it will find a minimal example.
- Re-implementation of AIGdd [BiereHeljankoWieringa-FMV11]
- Novel:
  - Option to limit structural changes of the AIG
  - Slicing based delta debugging approach that allows us to shrink the bit-width of multipliers
  - Set most significant output and input bits to 0 and propagate.
- Afterwards we use binary-search based approach of AIGdd to further shrink the size of the sliced AIG

# Delta Debugging with Slices – AIGdd2

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4-bit multiplier



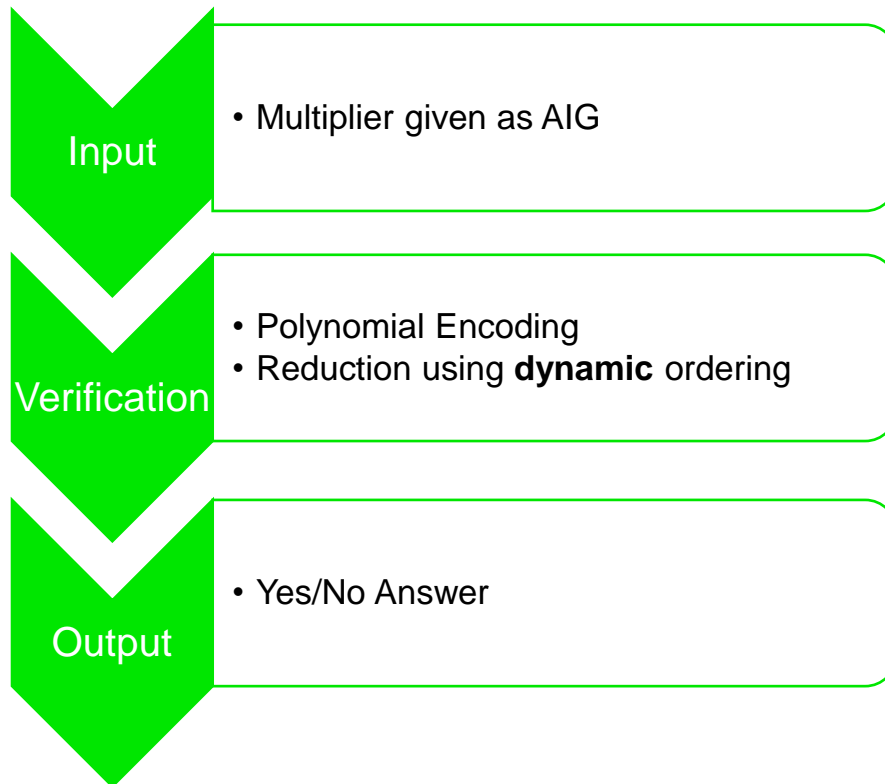
2-bit multiplier

## Fuzzing, Tests & Proofs

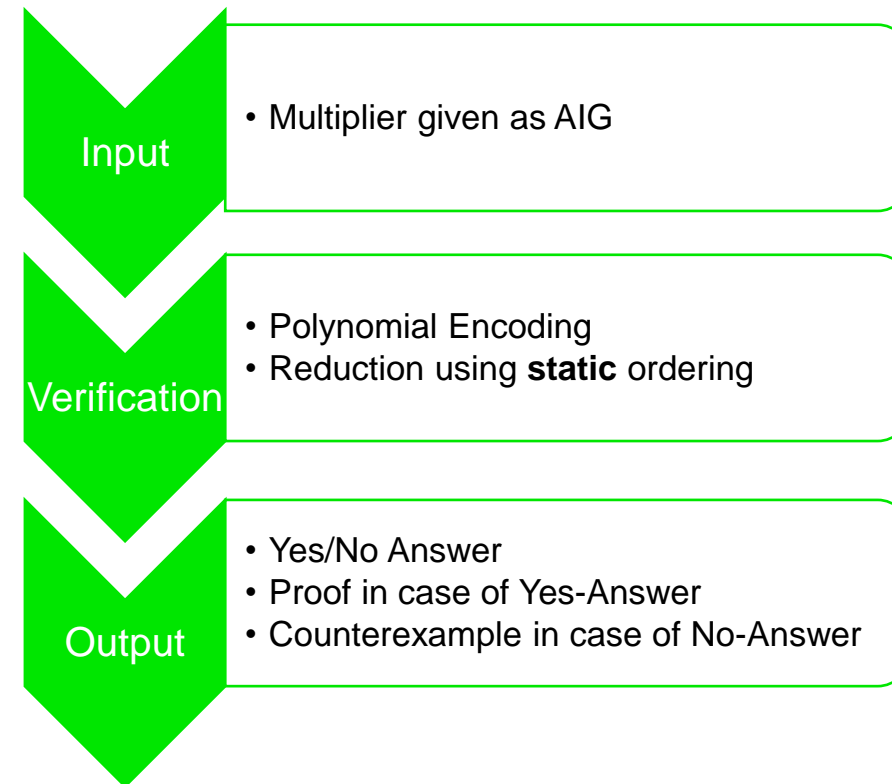
# Reduction Engines

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## DyPoSub



## AMulet2



# Fuzzing, Tests and Proofs

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Evaluate robustness and correctness of AMulet2 and DyPoSub

- Fix possible errors in AMulet2.1 and release AMulet2.2

## 1. Robustness:

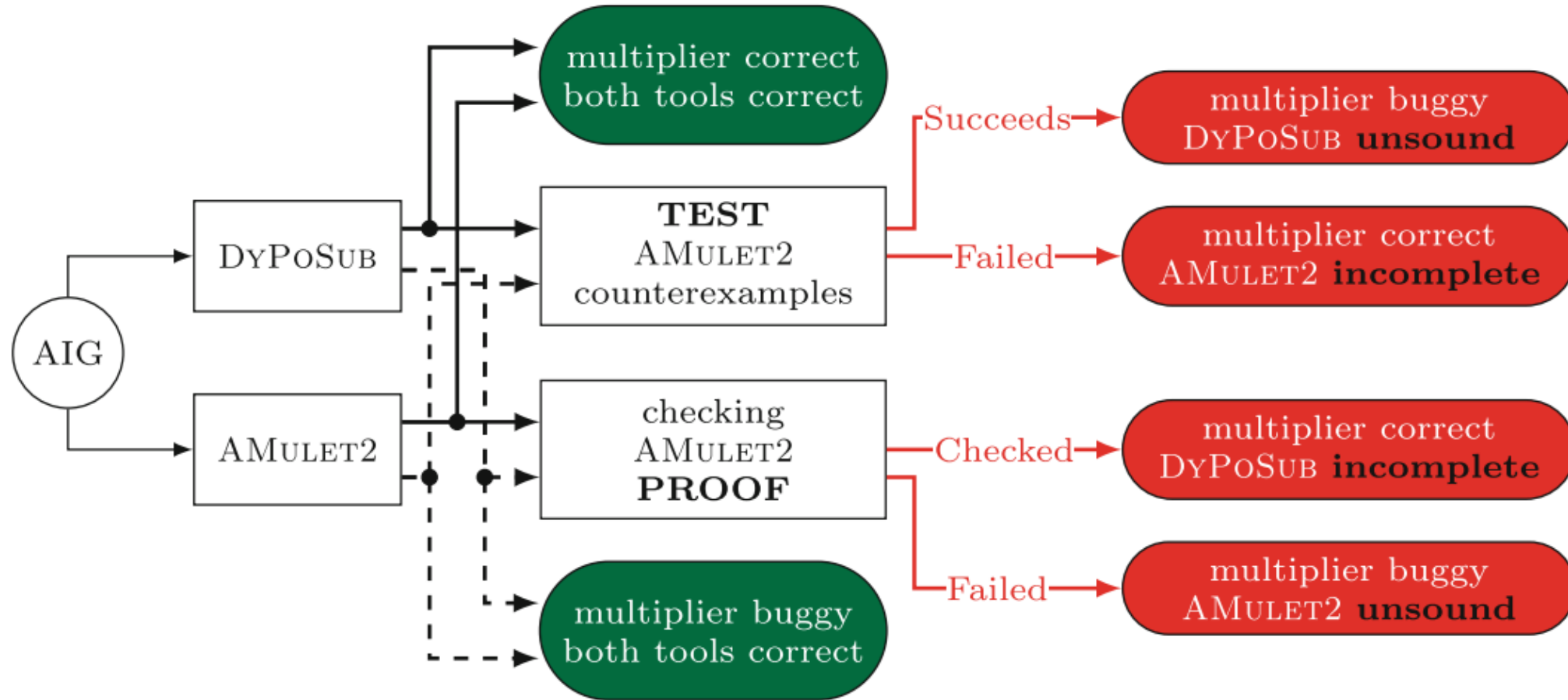
- Use MultiGenFuzzer to detect overfitting of reduction algorithms
- Use AIFuzzing to detect crashes
- Combine AIFuzzing and MultiGenFuzzer

## 2. Correctness:

- We use differential testing to deduce the correctness of both tools.

# Differential Testing

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# Experiments

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# Evaluation



# Experiments

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**Table 1.** MULTAIGENFUZZER benchmarks without carry-lookahead modules.

$n$ #		AMULET2.1 [10, 13]						AMULET2.2						DyPoSUB [21]							
		✓		✗				✓		✗				✓		✗					
		👍👎	👍👎⚡⌚	👍👎⚡⌚	👍👎⚡⌚	👍👎⚡⌚	👍👎⚡⌚	👍👎	👍👎	👍👎⚡⌚	👍👎⚡⌚	👍👎⚡⌚	👍👎⚡⌚	👍👎	👍👎	👍👎⚡⌚	👍👎⚡⌚				
4	401	401	0	0	0	0	0	0	401	0	0	0	0	0	0	401	0	0	0	0	0
8	414	414	0	0	0	0	0	0	414	0	0	0	0	0	0	414	0	0	0	0	0
16	385	385	0	0	0	0	0	0	385	0	0	0	0	0	0	385	0	0	0	0	0
32	406	406	0	0	0	0	0	0	406	0	0	0	0	0	0	406	0	0	0	0	0
64	394	394	0	0	0	0	0	0	394	0	0	0	0	0	0	394	0	0	0	0	0
2000	2000	2000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2000	0	0	0	0	0

- AMulet2.1 is robust and correct
- AMulet2.2 is robust and correct
- DyPoSub is robust and correct

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	✗ static ordering not topological (AMULET2 only)
	⚡ segmentation fault
	⌚ exceeding the time limit

# Experiments

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**Table 2.** MULTAIGENFUZZER benchmarks with carry-lookahead modules.

		AMULET2.1 [10, 13]						AMULET2.2						DyPoSUB [21]					
		✓		✗				✓		✗				✓		✗			
$n$	#	👍	👎	👍	👎	⚡	⌚	👍	👎	👍	👎	⚡	⌚	👍	👎	👍	👎	⚡	⌚
4	247	247	0	0	0	0	0	247	0	0	0	0	0	247	0	0	0	0	0
6	221	218	0	0	0	0	3	217	0	0	0	0	4	221	0	0	0	0	0
8	251	222	0	0	0	0	29	225	0	0	0	0	26	251	0	0	0	0	0
12	252	141	0	0	0	0	111	141	0	0	0	0	111	252	0	0	0	0	0
16	249	65	0	0	0	0	184	65	0	0	0	0	184	249	0	0	0	0	0
32	240	10	0	0	0	0	230	10	0	0	0	0	230	240	0	0	0	0	0
48	257	1	0	0	0	0	256	1	0	0	0	0	256	257	0	0	0	0	0
64	283	0	0	0	0	0	283	0	0	0	0	0	283	283	0	0	0	0	0
2000		904	0	0	0	0	1096	906	0	0	0	0	1094	2000	0	0	0	0	0

- AMulet2.1 has time-outs → overfitting
- AMulet2.2 has time-outs → overfitting
- DyPoSub is robust and correct

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**Table 3.** AIGoFUZZING “sp-ar-rc-4” multipliers

mutation	#	AMULET2.1 [10,13]							AMULET2.2							DyPoSUB [21]					
		✓		✗					✓		✗					✓		✗			
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Intsign	505	31	442	0	0	32	0	0	31	474	0	0	0	0	0	31	474	0	0	0	0
Outsign	524	0	524	0	0	0	0	0	0	524	0	0	0	0	0	0	524	0	0	0	0
Inptrpl	475	14	344	0	0	59	58	0	14	461	0	0	0	0	0	14	455	6	0	0	0
Const+	496	232	0	0	0	12	252	0	252	244	0	0	0	0	0	252	244	0	0	0	0
	2 000	277	1 309	0	0	103	311	0	297	1 703	0	0	0	0	0	297	1 702	<b>6</b>	0	0	0

- AMulet2.1 is not robust
- AMulet2.2 is robust and correct
- DyPoSub is unsound on 6 benchmarks

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	⚡ segmentation fault
	⌚ exceeding the time limit

# Experiments

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**Table 4.** AIGoFUZZING “bp-ba-lf-4” multipliers

Mutation	#	AMULET2.1 [10,13]							AMULET2.2							DyPoSub [21]					
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Intsign	529	23	453	0	0	53	0	0	23	506	0	0	0	0	0	0	506	0	23	0	0
Outsign	476	0	476	0	0	0	0	0	0	476	0	0	0	0	0	0	476	0	0	0	0
Inprpl	544	9	383	0	0	71	81	0	10	534	0	0	0	0	0	0	534	0	9	1	0
Const+	451	193	0	0	0	32	226	0	227	224	0	0	0	0	0	1	224	0	226	0	0
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- AMulet2.1 is not robust
- AMulet2.2 is robust and correct
- DyPoSub is incomplete on 258 benchmarks

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	⌚ exceeding the time limit

# Experiments – Delta Debugging

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**Table 7.** Reducing the size of failure-inducing benchmarks with AIGDD2

		-slicing						+slicing					
Table 3	mutation	⌚	×	✓				⌚	×	✓			
				#	min(%)	max(%)	avg(%)			#	min(%)	max(%)	avg(%)
	intsign	0	0	32	49.2	53.1	51.7	0	0	32	49.2	68.0	56.5
Table 4	inptrpl	0	0	59	48.4	58.3	52.5	0	0	59	48.4	82.0	58.4
	const+	0	12	0	-	-	-	0	12	0	-	-	-
Table 5	mutation	⌚	×	✓				⌚	×	✓			
				#	min(%)	max(%)	avg(%)			#	min(%)	max(%)	avg(%)
	intsign	0	0	53	60.2	69.3	65.5	0	0	53	60.2	86.5	67.4
Table 6	inptrpl	0	0	71	58.8	73.4	66.1	0	0	71	58.8	88.5	68.5
	const+	0	32	0	-	-	-	0	32	0	-	-	-
Table 7	<i>n</i>	⌚	×	✓				⌚	×	✓			
				#	min(%)	max(%)	avg(%)			#	min(%)	max(%)	avg(%)
	4	0	4	15	43.5	63.4	53.0	0	4	15	43.5	63.4	53.0
Table 8	6	12	3	0	-	-	-	7	3	5	74.6	89.7	81.8
	8	20	3	0	-	-	-	13	2	7	87.7	94.3	91.0
	12	6	0	0	-	-	-	5	0	1	96.7	96.7	96.7
Table 9	16	11	3	0	-	-	-	12	2	0	-	-	-

# Summary of the Experiments

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## Generation-based Fuzzing

- AMulet2 is overfitted to existing FSAs.
- DyPoSub is robust and correct on these benchmarks

## Mutation-based Fuzzing

- AMulet2.1 has robustness issues, which could be fixed in AMulet2.2
- DyPoSub is unsound and incomplete

- Software is only as good as its robustness and correctness
- Generation- and mutation-based fuzzing techniques randomly generate input to tackle issues
- Delta debugging allows us to generate smaller failure-inducing benchmarks

## **Observation:**

- Randomly shuffling the structure of available inputs helps to avoid overfitting
- Even small mutations can reveal defects efficiently
- Verification tools need to produce proof certificates to prevent false results
- Shrinking failure-inducing inputs using delta debugging allows to zoom in on defects