

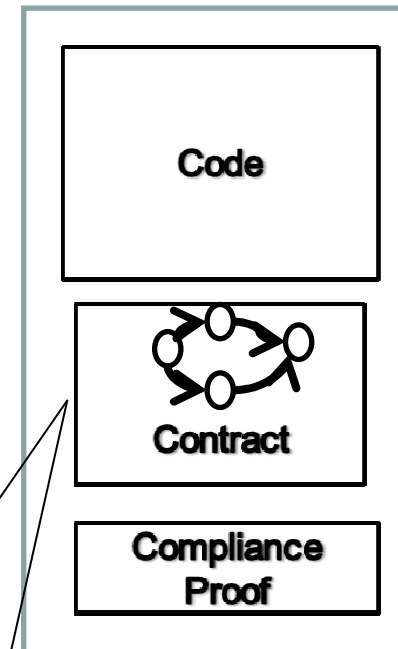


Security-by-Contract using Automata Modulo Theory (AMT)

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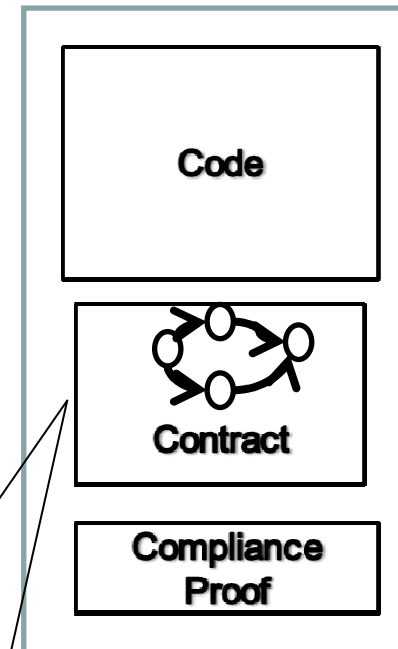


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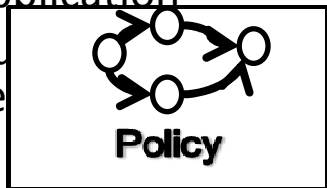
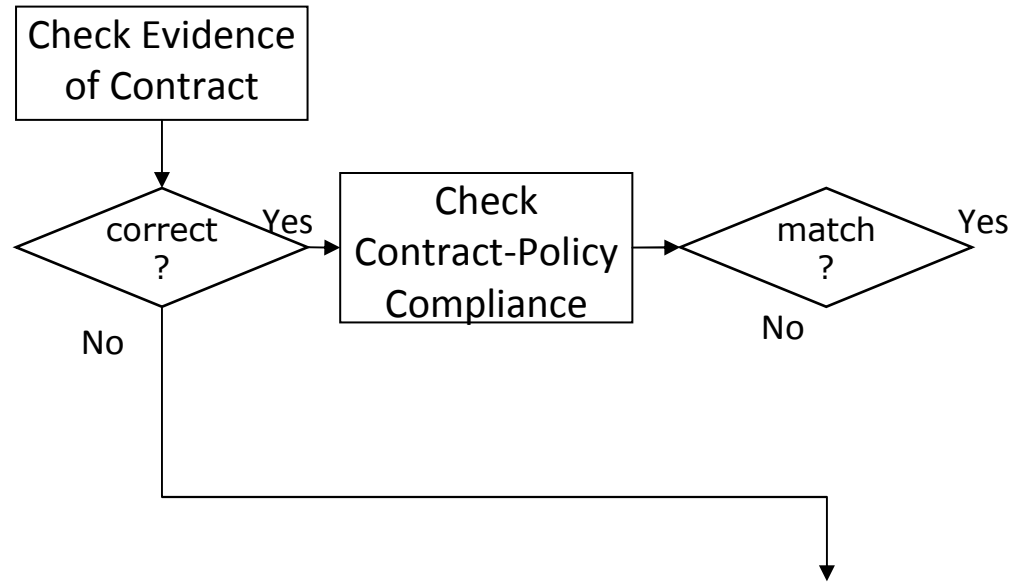


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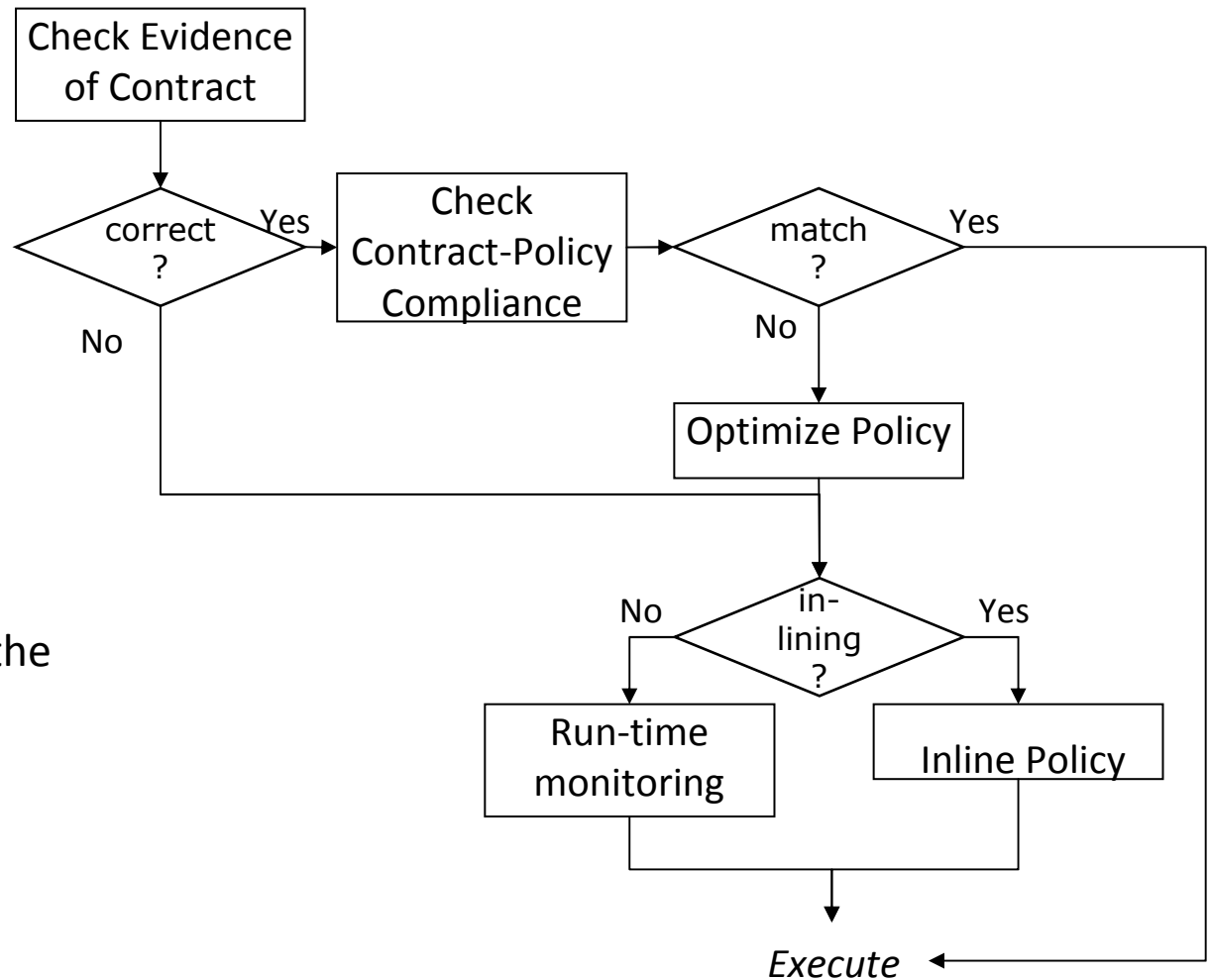


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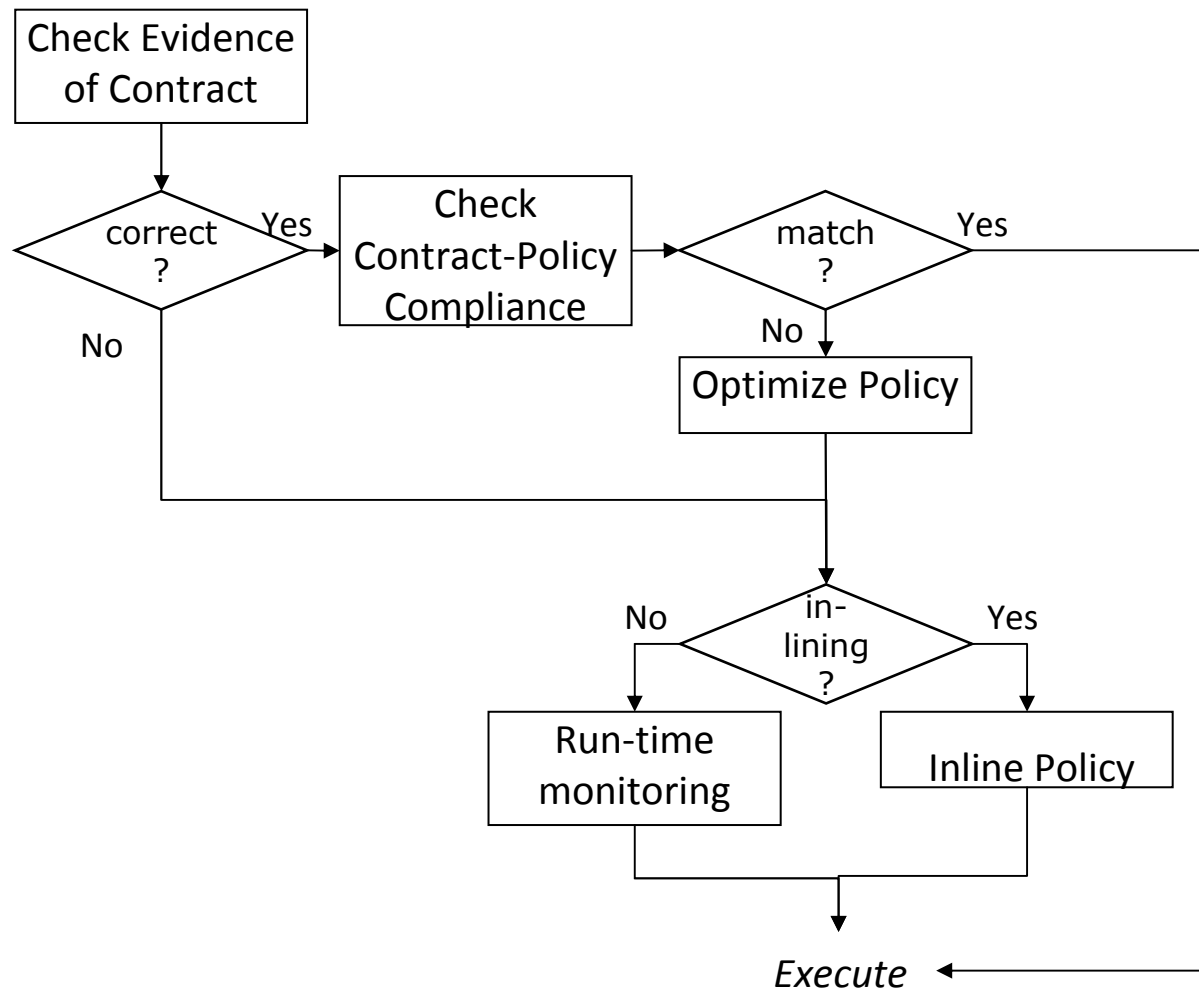
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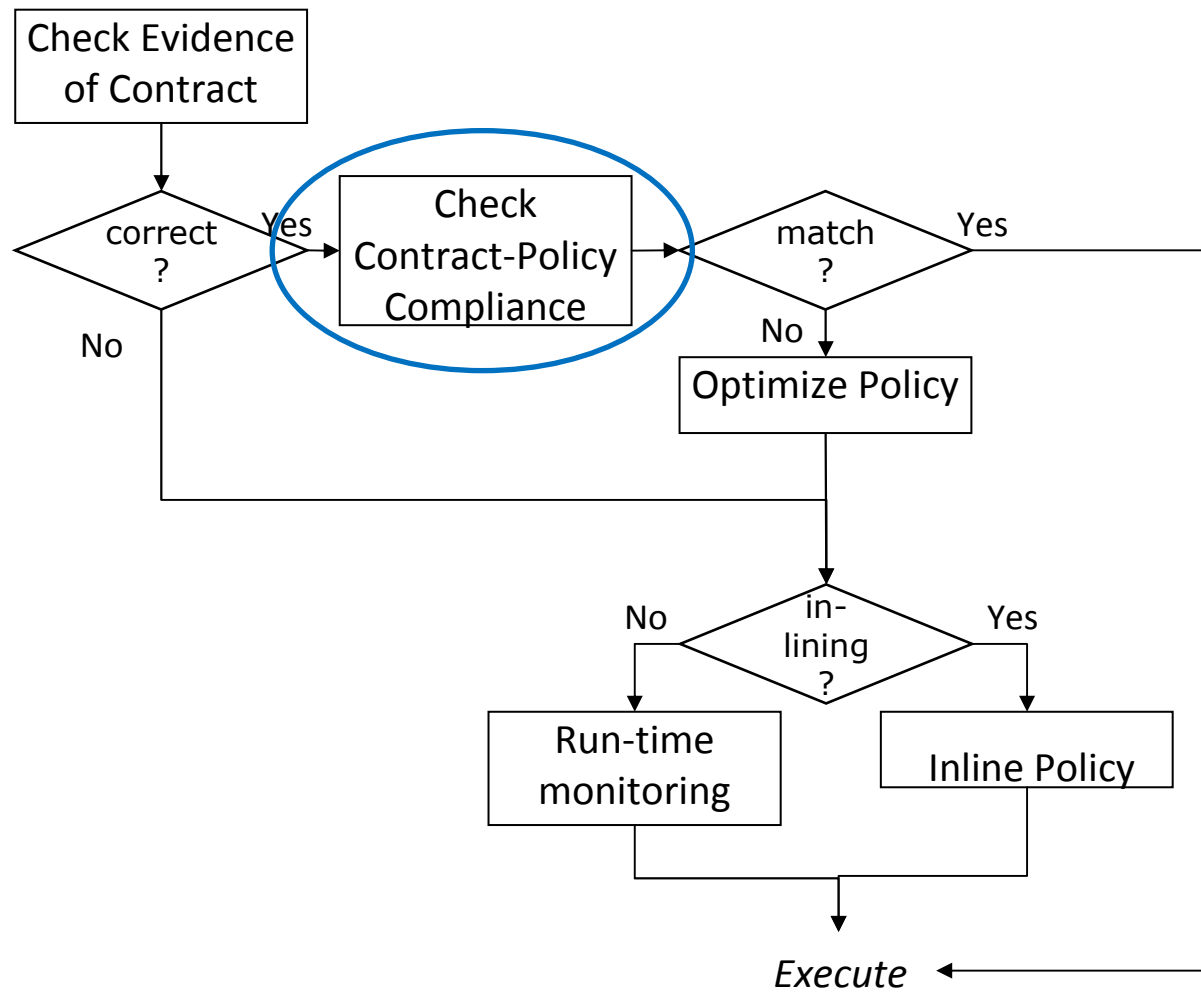


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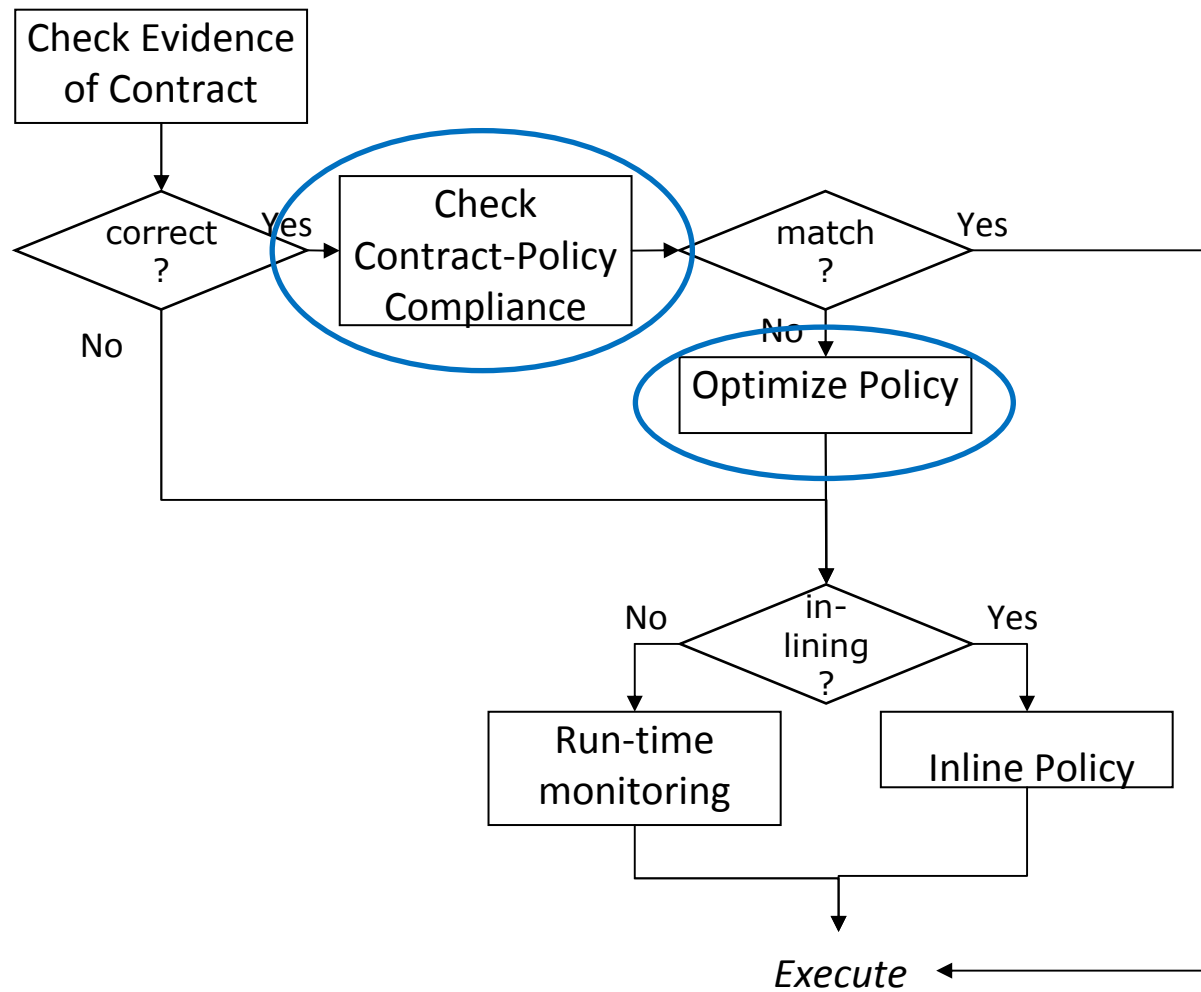


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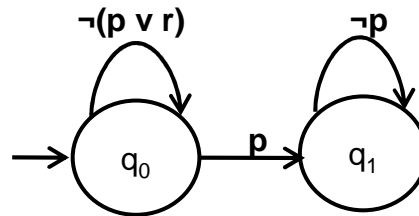


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Why not Security Automata ?



- **Class of Büchi automata accepting safety properties (recognizers) [Schneider-TISSec'00]**
 - a countable set Q of *automaton states*,
 - a countable set I of *input symbols*
 - a *transition function* $\delta: (Q \times Q) \rightarrow 2^Q$, and
 - a countable set $Q_0 \subseteq Q$ of *initial automaton states*



- **It is rare, but it exists**
 - Example: A security requirement for banking applets
 - an application should use all the permissions it requires
 - to avoid over-entitlement which can be the source of potential (and possibly unknown) attacks



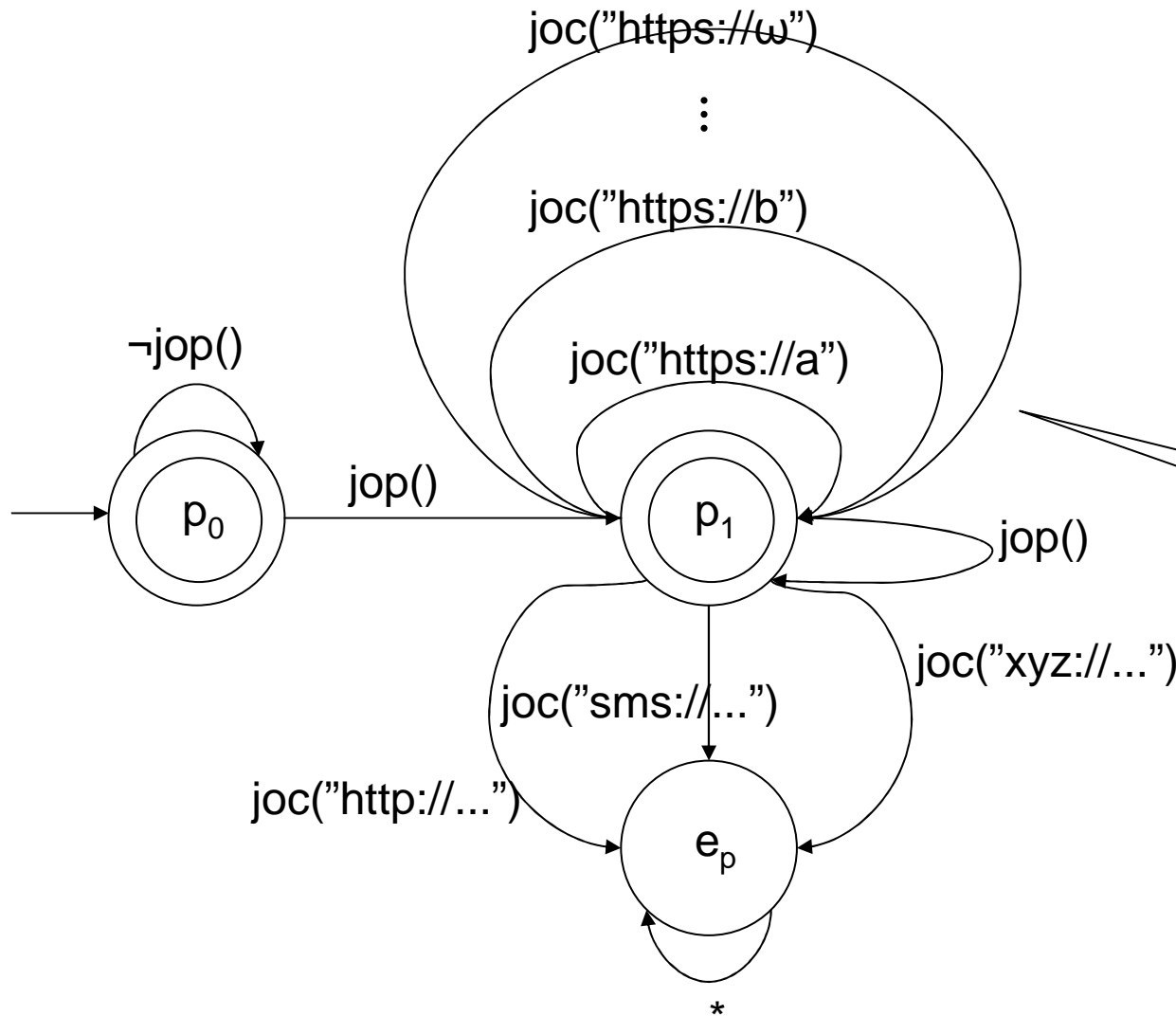
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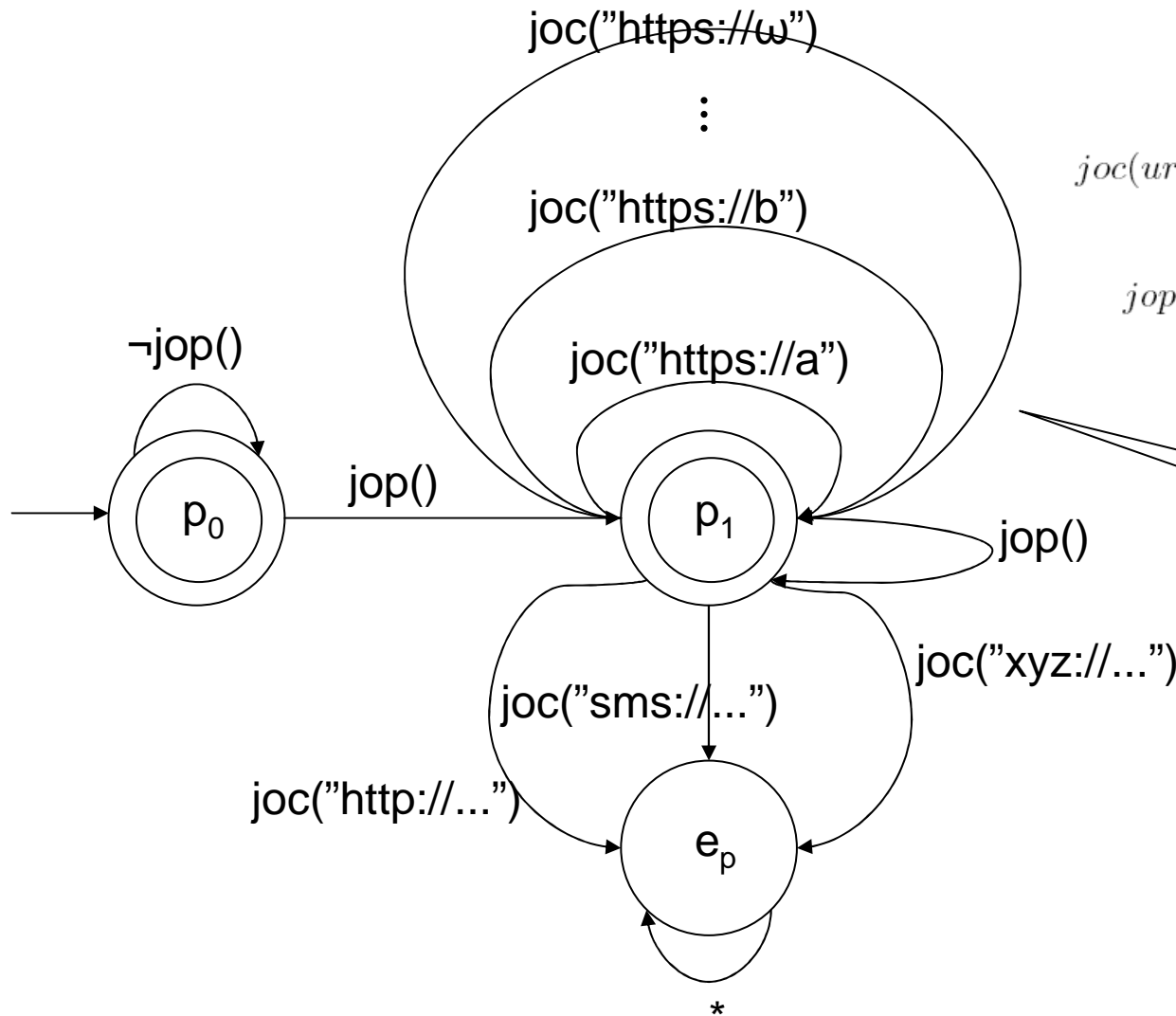
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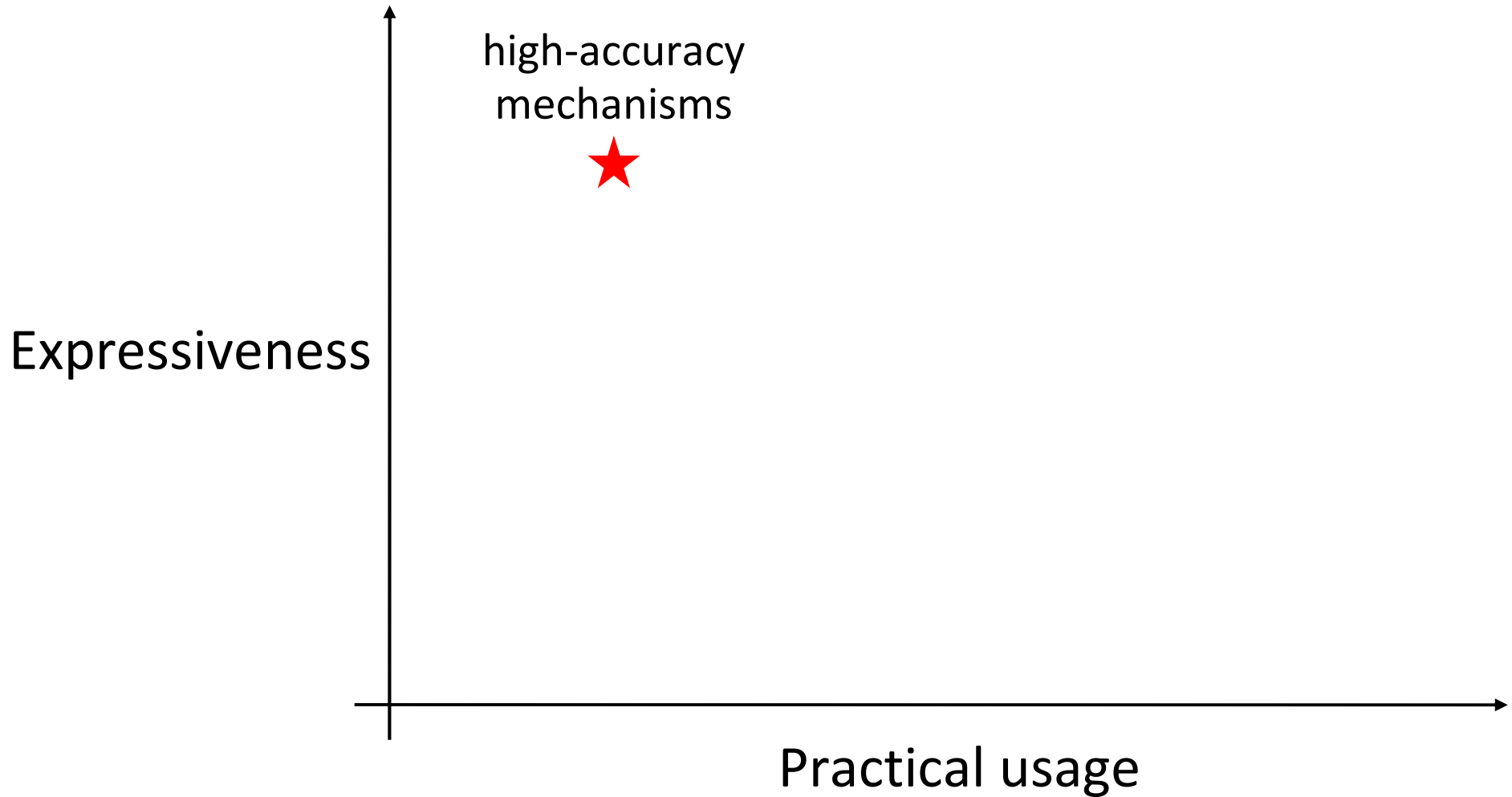


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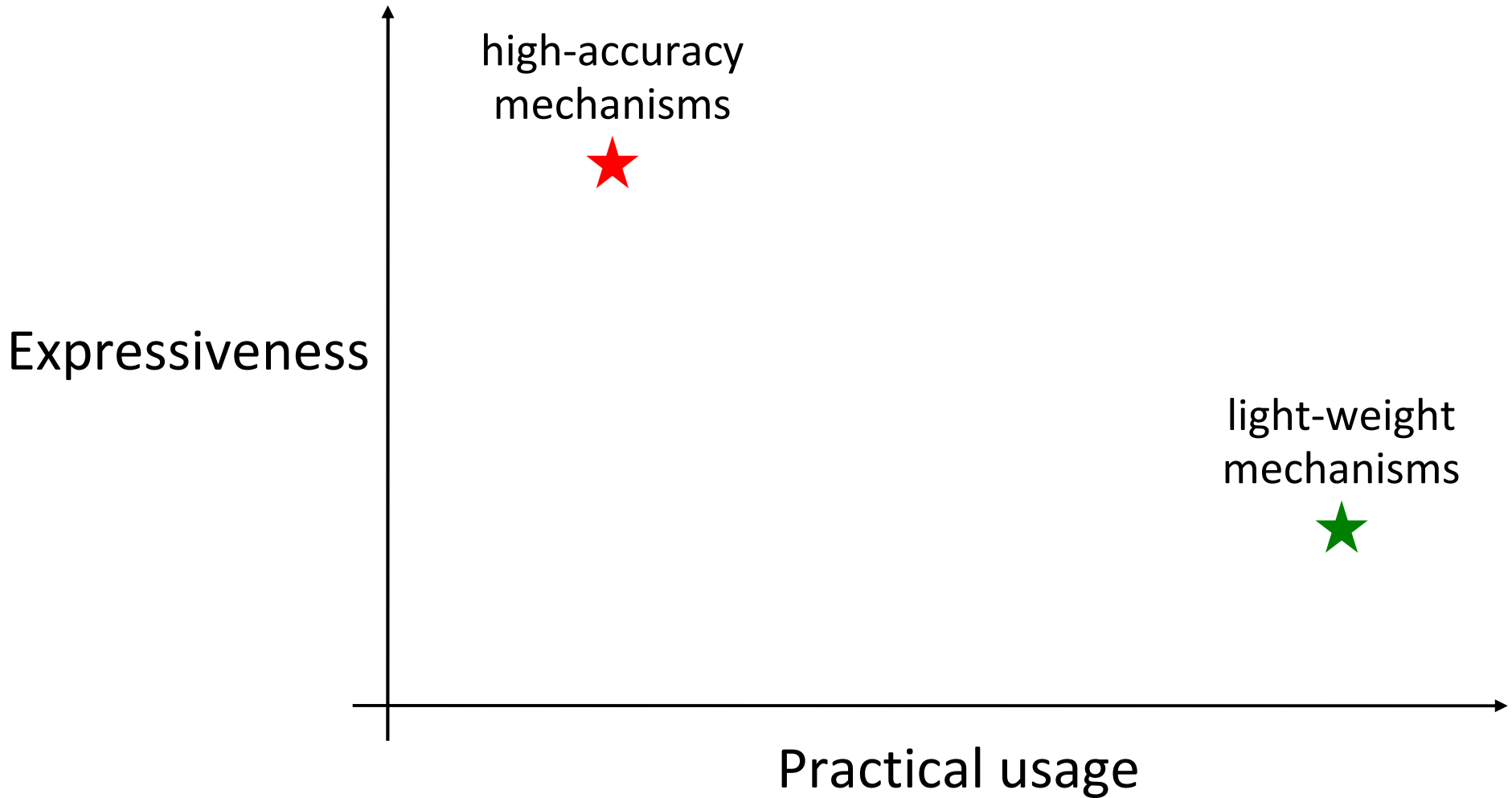


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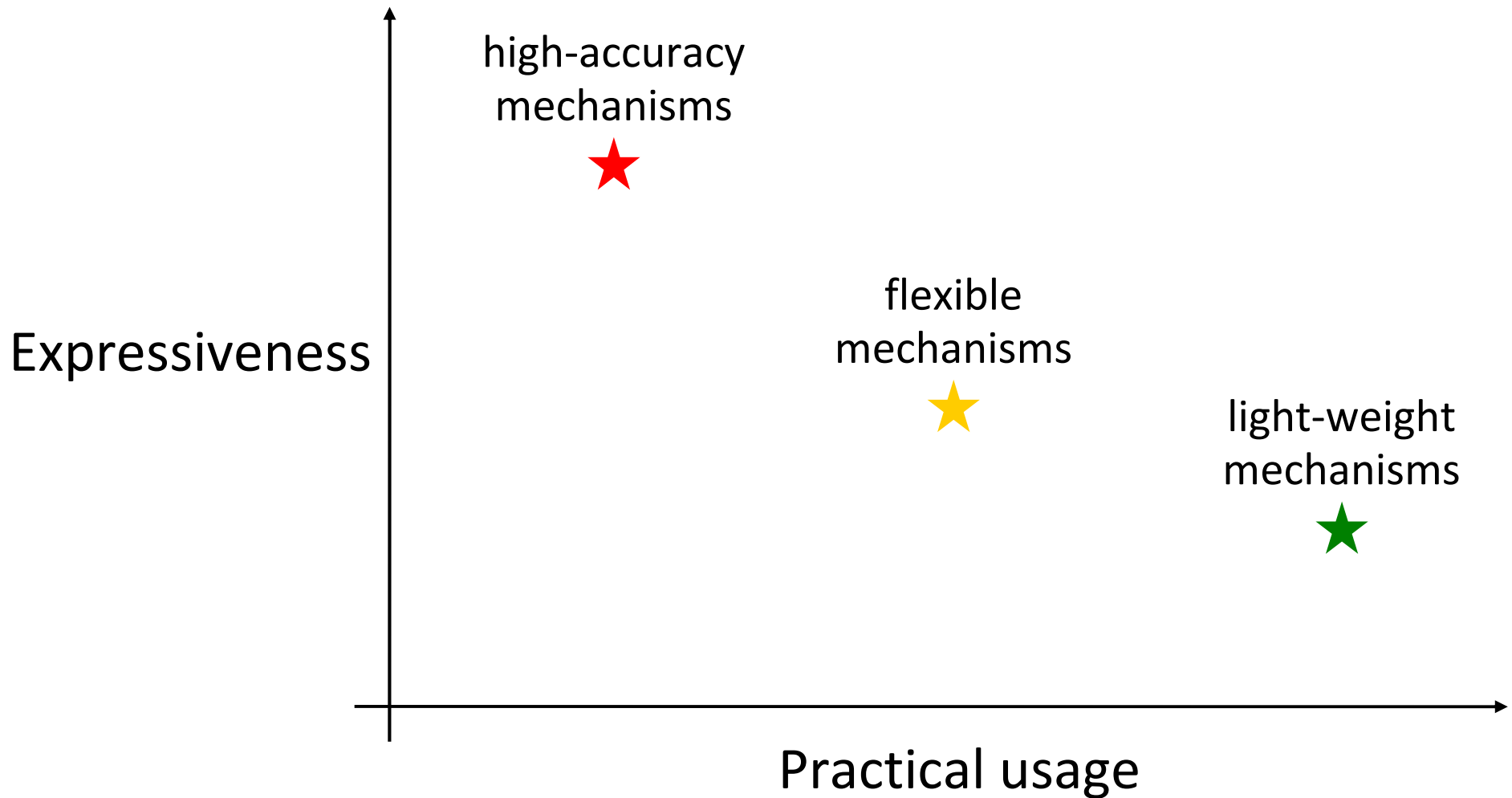


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Automata Modulo Theory (AMT) as flexible mechanism

AMT = Büchi automata + Satisfiability Modulo Theories

Satisfiability Modulo Theories (SMT) [Sebastiani-JSAT'07]

- The problem of deciding the satisfiability of a first-order formula with respect to some decidable first-order theory T (SMT(T))
 - A Σ -theory is a set of first-order sentences with signature Σ
- Examples of theories of interest:
 - Equality and Uninterpreted Functions (EUF),
 - Linear Arithmetic (LA): both over the reals (LA(Q)) and the integers (LA(Z))
 - Combination of two or more theories T_1, \dots, T_n .
- Examples of SMT tools:
 - Z3, MathSAT



Automata Modulo Theory (AMT)

- **Let $A = \langle S, \Sigma, \mathcal{T}, \mathcal{E}, \Delta, s_0, F \rangle$ be an AMT [MS-NordSec'07]**
 - a finite set S of *automaton states*,
 - a set \mathcal{E} of formulae in the language of the Σ -Theory \mathcal{T} as *input symbols*,
 - an *initial state* $s_0 \in S$,
 - a set $F \subseteq S$ of *accepting states*, and
 - a *labeled transition relation* $\Delta \subseteq S \times \mathcal{E} \times S$



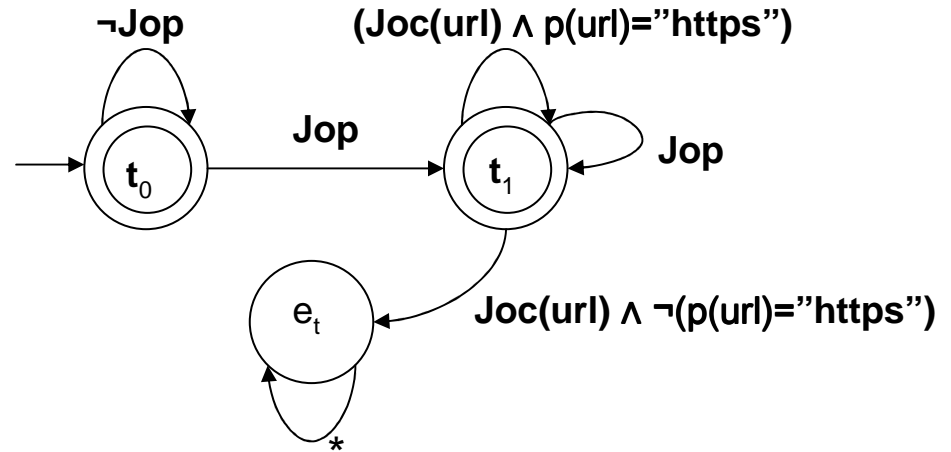
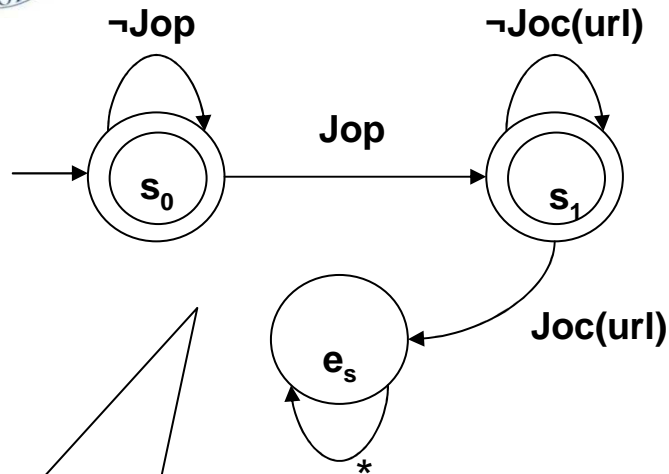
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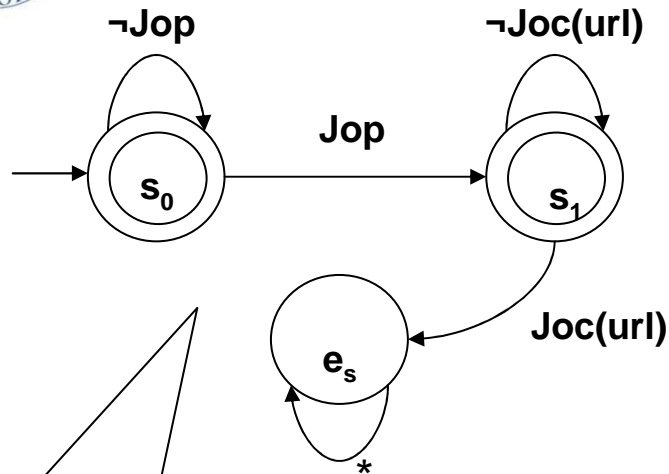
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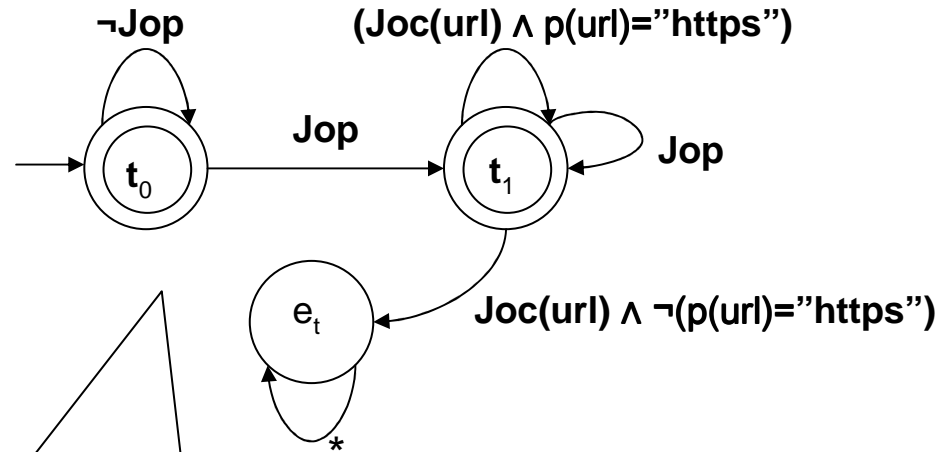
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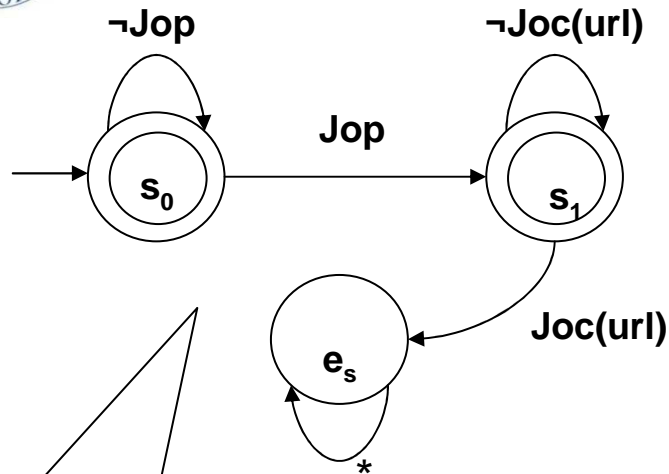


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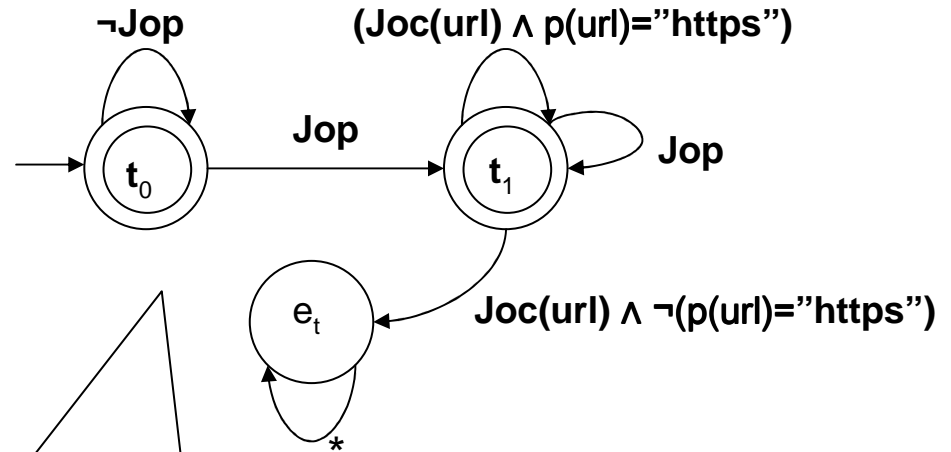
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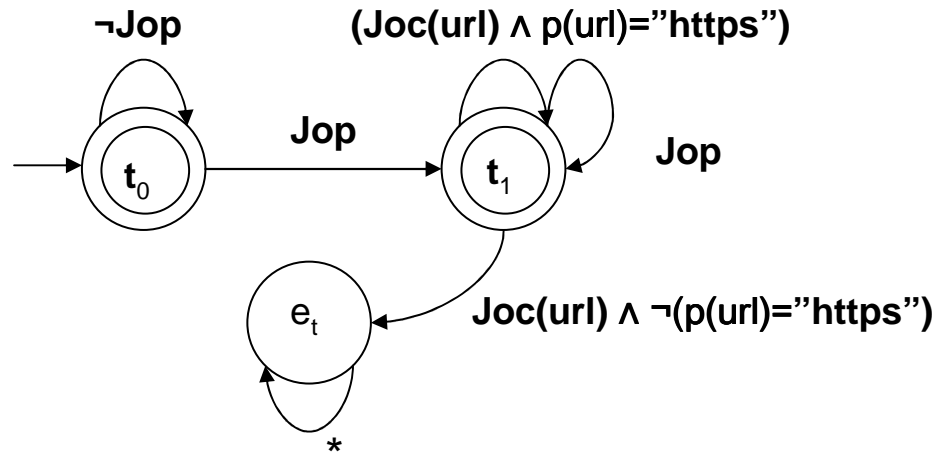
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 - $q_0 = s_0$
 - $(q_i, e_{i+1}, q_{i+1}) \in \Delta$ and e_{i+1} is \mathcal{T} -satisfiable:
 - that is there exists some valuation v over Σ and \mathcal{T} s.t. $v \models e_{i+1}$
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- **Accepting symbolic run:**
 - Finite run: $q_n \in F$
 - Infinite run: there exists some k s.t. $q_k \in F$ and q_k is visited infinitely often



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- **Acceptance condition as symbolic run**



Example of an Accepting Run in AMT



Symbolic Run

t0	Jop(jop,file,permission)	t1	Joc(joc,url)^p(url)="https"	
t1	Jop(jop,file,permission)	t1	Joc(joc,url)^p(url)="https"	...

Concrete Run

t0	(jop,PIM.CONTACT_LIST,PIM.READ_WRITE)
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- $A = \langle S, \Sigma, \mathcal{T}, \mathcal{E}, \Delta, s_0, F \rangle$ is a deterministic AMT
 - $S, \Sigma, \mathcal{T}, \mathcal{E}, s_0, F$ as before
 - a *labeled transition function* $\Delta \subseteq S \times \mathcal{E} \times S$:
 - for every $s, s_1, s_2 \in S$ and every $e_1, e_2 \in \mathcal{E}$
 - if $(s, e_1, s_1) \in \Delta$ and $(s, e_2, s_2) \in \Delta$ where $s_1 \neq s_2$
 - then $(e_1 \wedge e_2)$ is unsatisfiable in the Σ -Theory \mathcal{T}
- **Why determinism matters ?**
 - nondeterministic complementation is complex and exponential blow-up
- **Why considering only the complementation of deterministic automata ?**
 - security policies are naturally deterministic
 - a platform owner should have a clear idea on what to allow or disallow



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- for every $s \in S$ and for every $e \in \mathcal{E}$:

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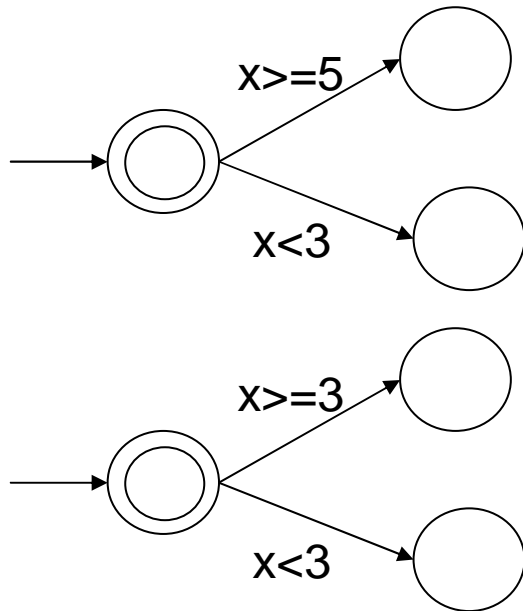
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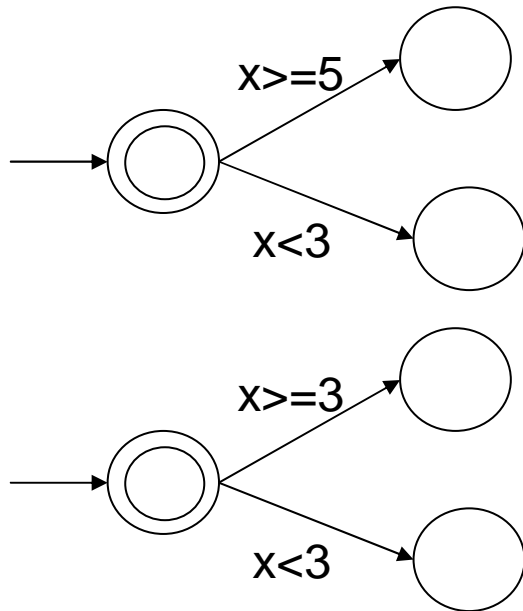
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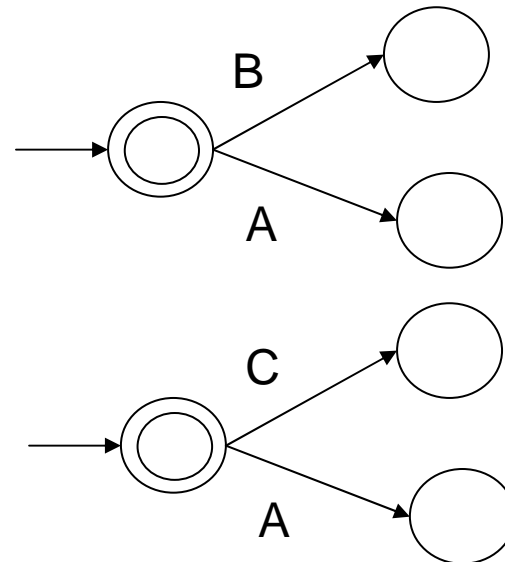
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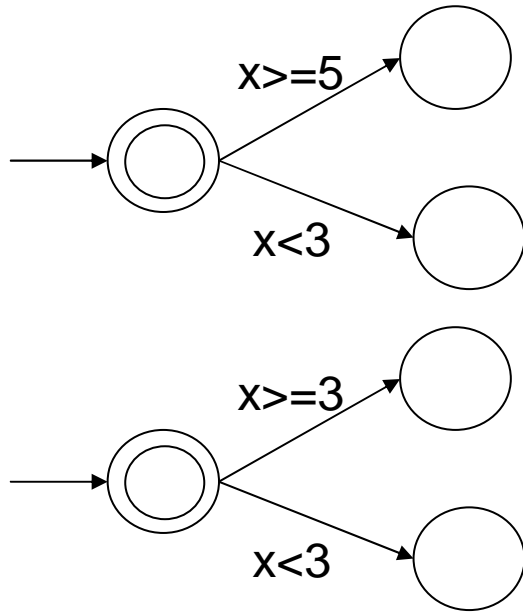


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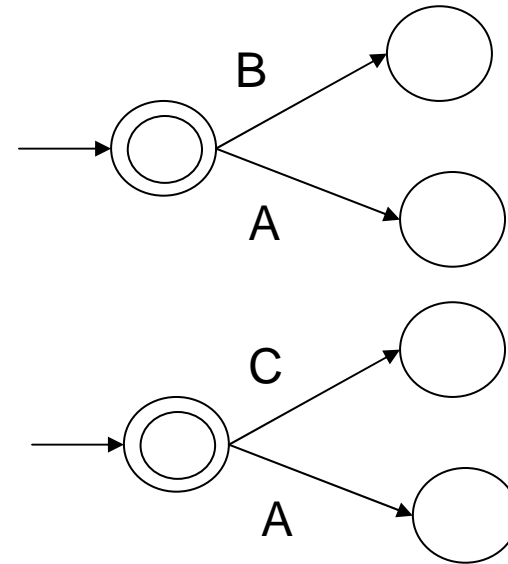




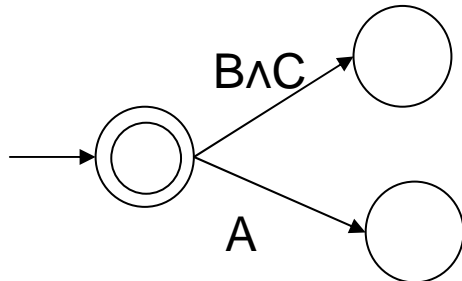
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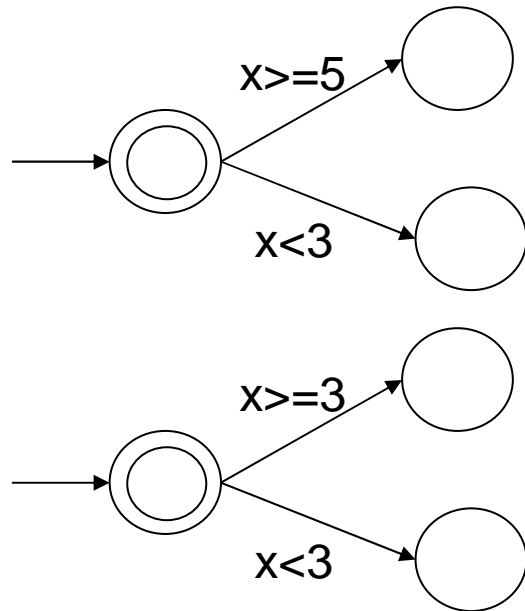


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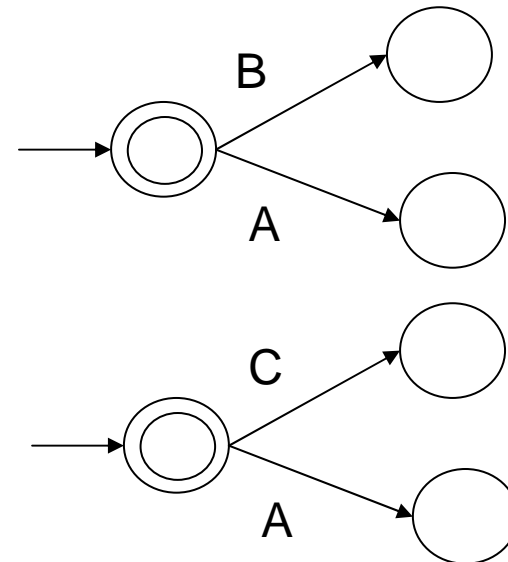




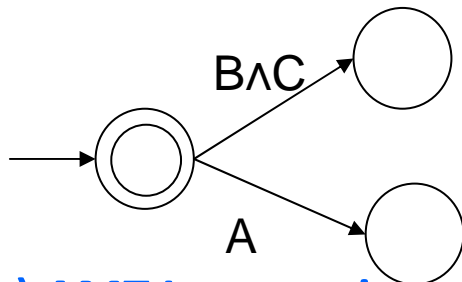
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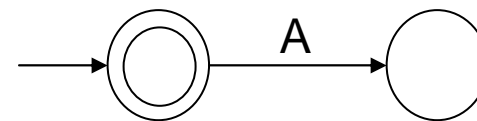
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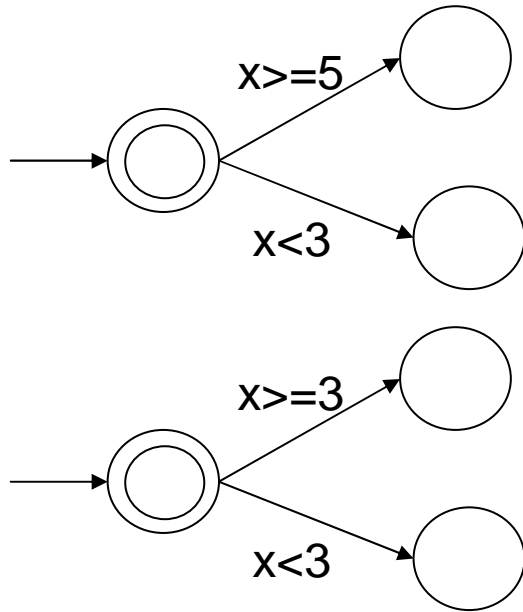


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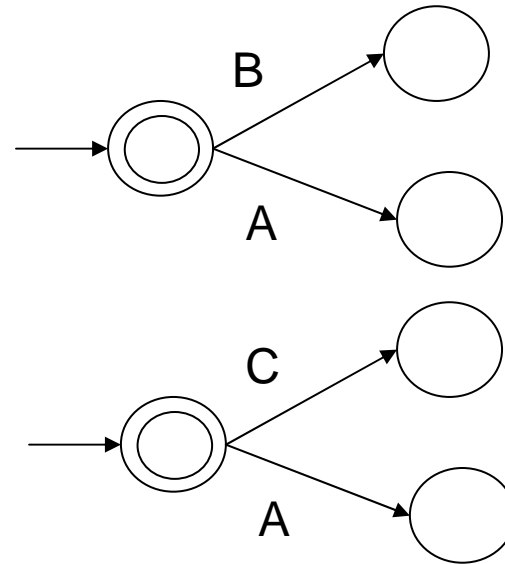




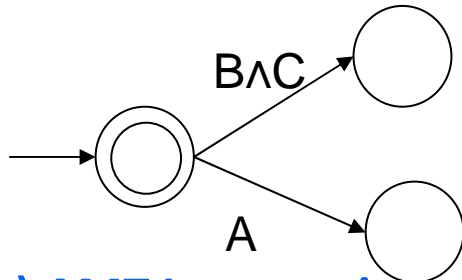
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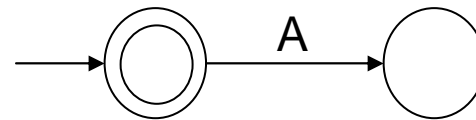
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So, What is Contract-Policy Compliance Check ?

- **Security policies as AMT**
- **Matching:**
 - Language Inclusion:
 - Given two automata A^c and A^p representing respectively a contract and a policy, we have a match when the set execution traces of the A^c is a subset of the set of acceptable traces of A^p .
 - Simulation:
 - every security-relevant action invoked by A^c can also be invoked by A^p



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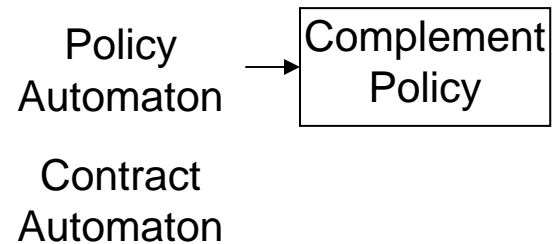
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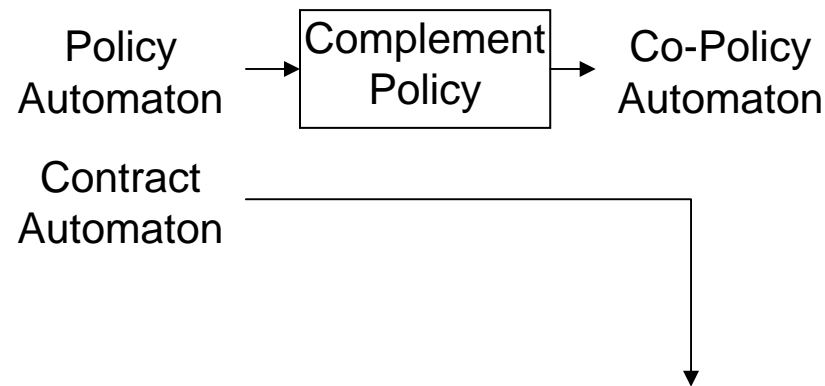
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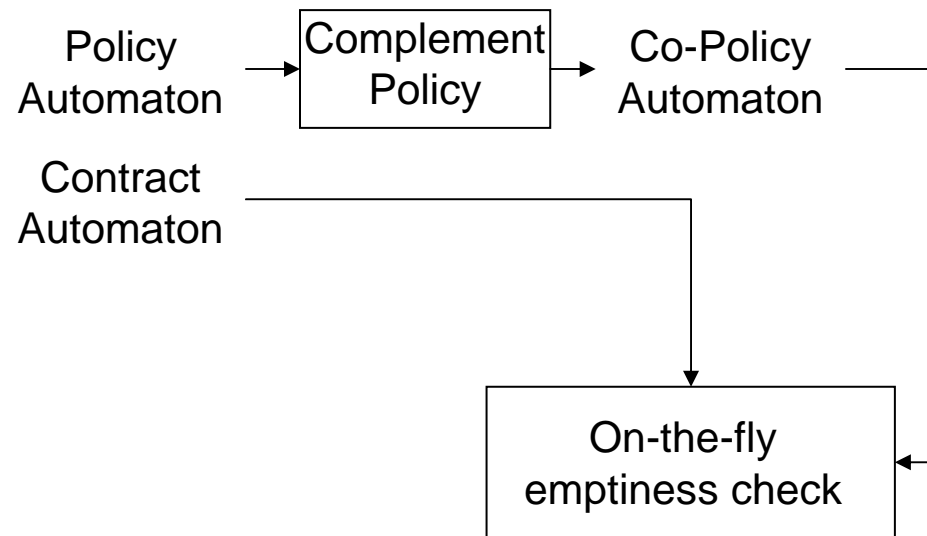
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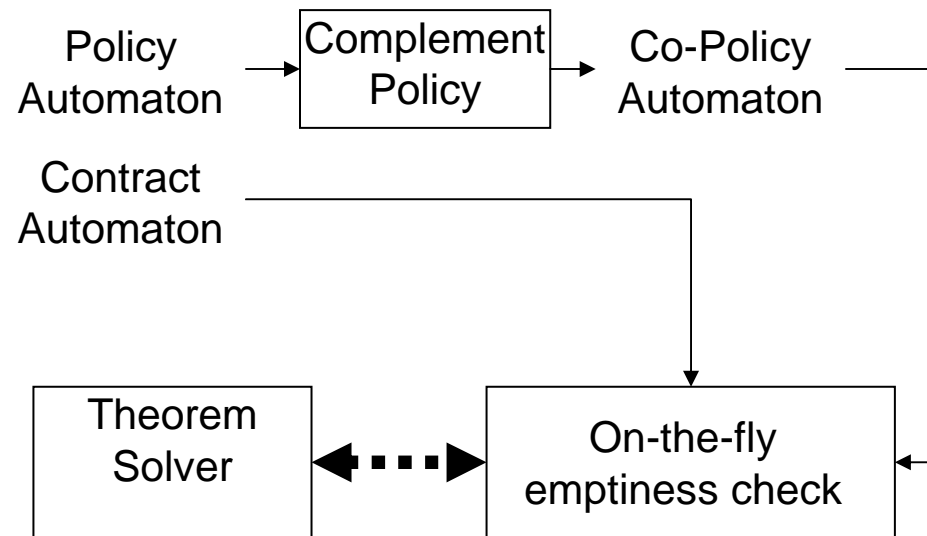
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Contract-Policy Matching Algorithm

- Input: a contract and a complement policy
- Output: fail or succeed
- Process:
 - starts a depth first search procedure `check_safety` from initial state
 - IF an accepting state in AMT is reached:
 - IF the state contains an error state of complemented policy THEN report a security policy violation without further ado
 - IF the state does not contain an error state of complemented policy THEN start a new depth first search `check_availability` from the candidate state to determine whether it is in a cycle
 - IF cycle THEN report an availability violation



Contract-policy Matching's Result using Language Inclusion

Proposition 4.1.

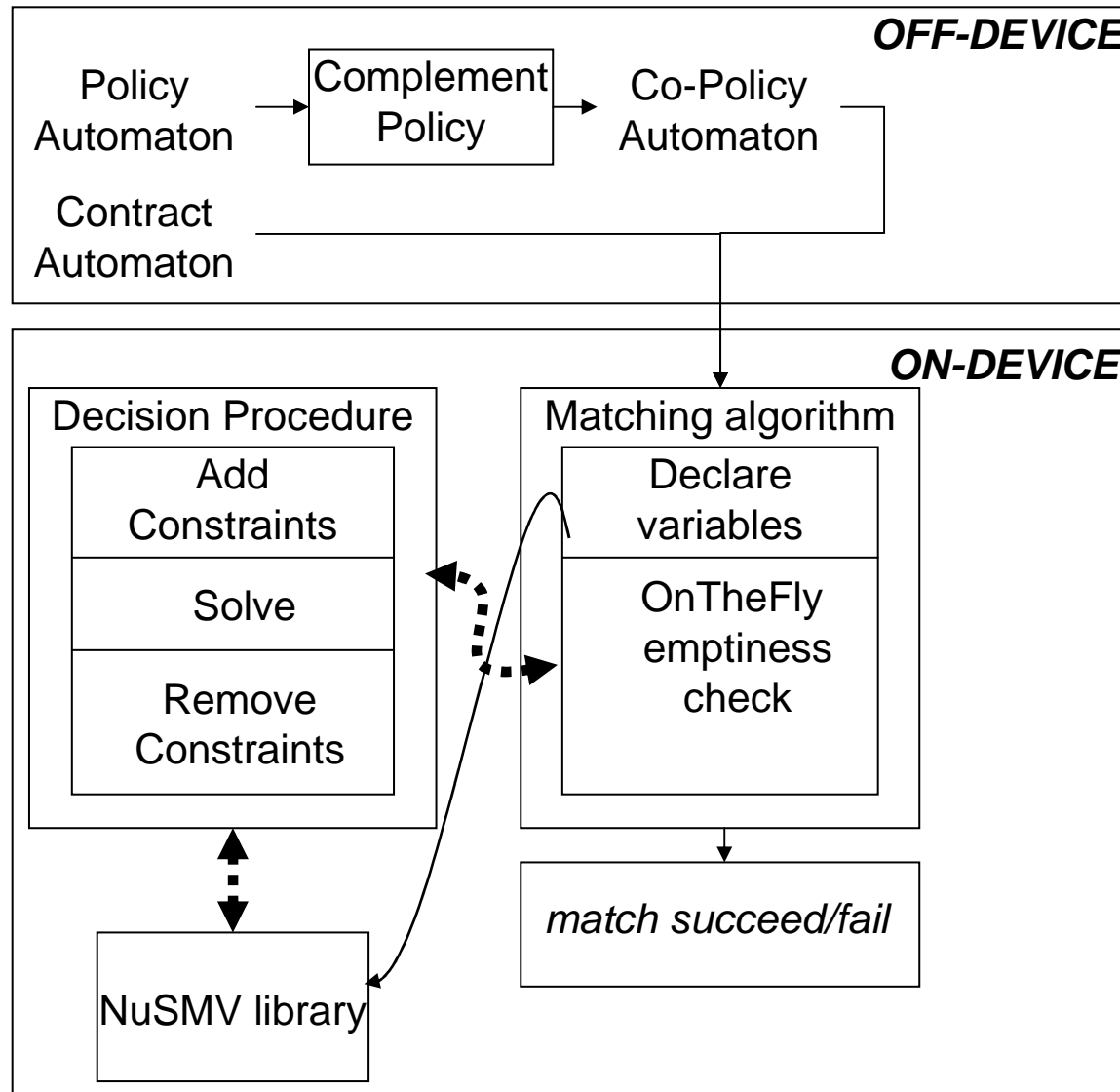
Let the theory τ be decidable with an oracle for the SMT problem in the complexity class C then:

The contract-policy matching problem for AMT using language inclusion is decidable in

- **time: $LIN - TIME^C$**
- **space: $NLOG - SPACE-complete^C$**



Contract-Policy Architecture





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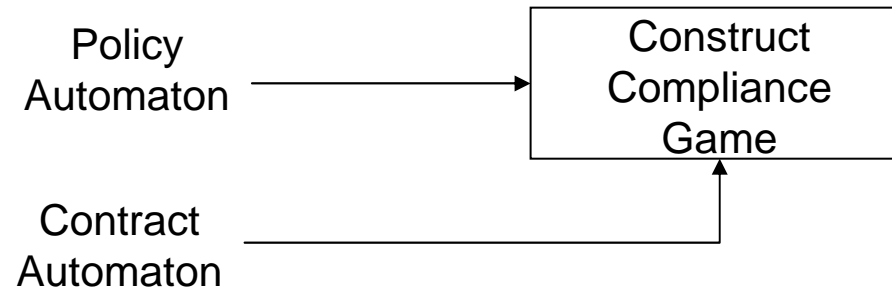
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- **Matching = Simulation**
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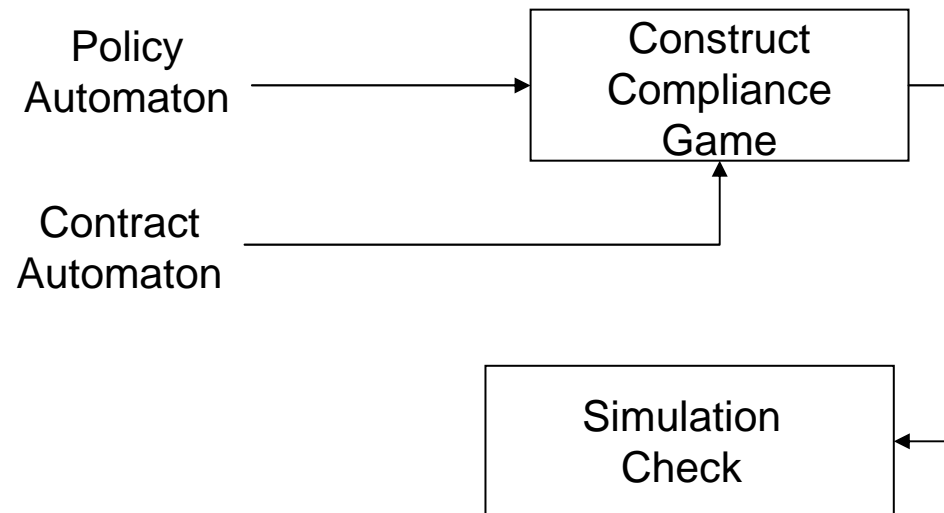
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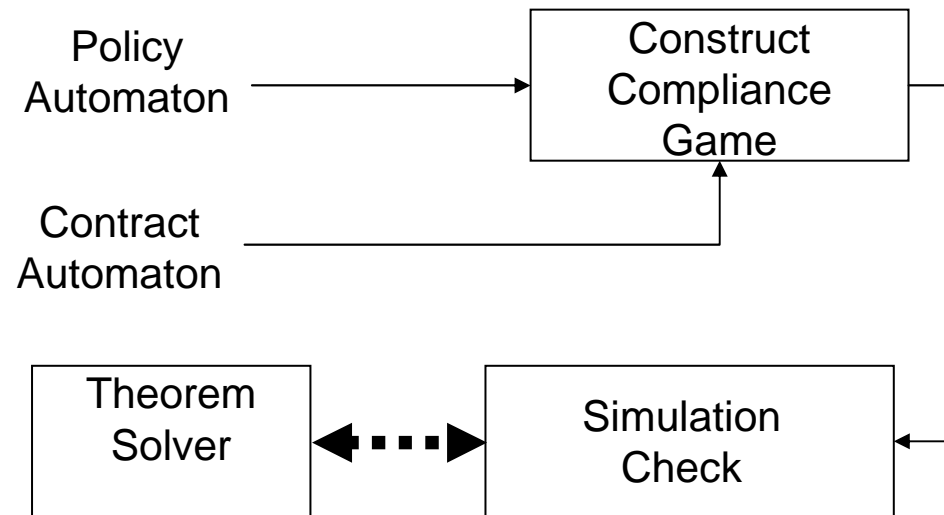
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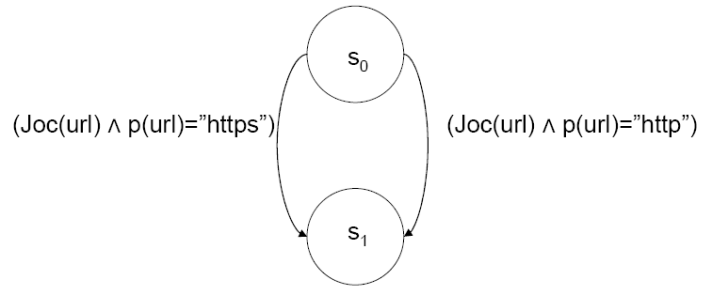
- Contract cannot move: Policy wins.
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- Otherwise, two infinite concrete runs s and t resp. of Contract and Policy:
 - s is an accepting concrete run and t is not an accepting concrete run: Contract wins.
 - Other cases: Policy wins

- **Failure of Matching**

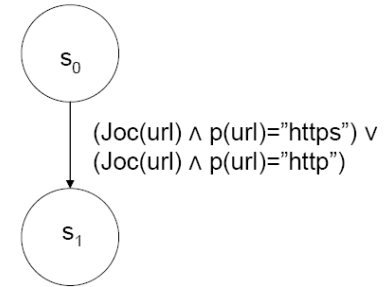
- Policy cannot move \Rightarrow Contract is non-compliant



Symbolic vs Concrete Automaton



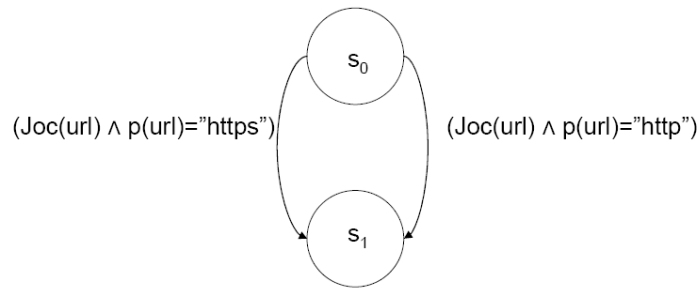
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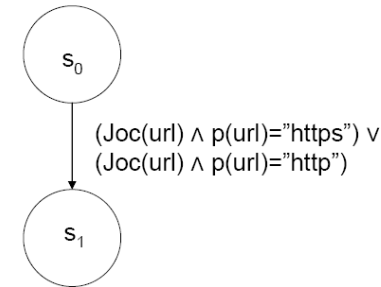
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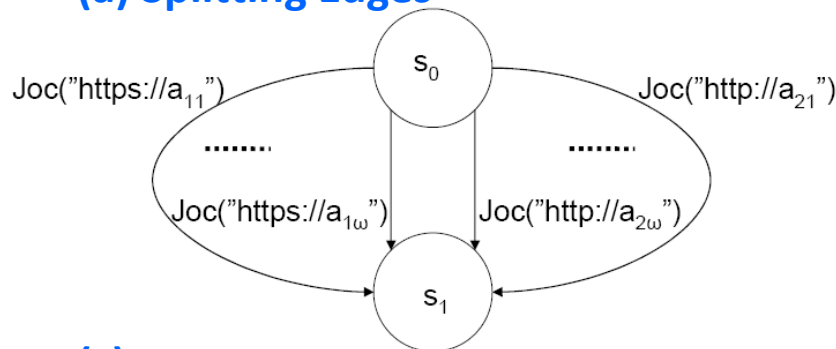
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 \end{aligned}$$

(d) Abbreviations

- **IF A^c complies with A^p THEN A^c concretely complies with A^p**
 - The converse does not hold in general.
 - Contrast to the simulation notions of (Hennessy and Lin 1995)
- **AMT fair simulation is stronger than AMT language inclusion**



Normalized AMT

- For every q, q_1 in set of states S there is at most one expression e_1 in set of expressions \mathcal{E} s.t. (q, e_1, q_1) is in set of transitions Δ
 - Example: from previous figure (a) is NOT normalized, (b) is normalized
- Normalization is possible when:
 - theory \mathcal{T} is convex and closed under disjunction.
- Normalization preserves AMT determinism
- For normalized AMT: A^c concretely complies with A^p IFF A^c complies with A^p



Simulation Policy-Contract Algorithm

- Matching between a contract with a security policy problem can be reduced to compliance game between a contract with a policy.
- Input: a contract and a policy
- Output: fail or succeed
- Process:
 - Create compliance game graph $G = \langle V, E, I \rangle$
 - $\mu(v) := 0$ for all $v \in V$
 - WHILE $\mu(v) \neq \mu_{new}(\mu, v)$ for some $v \in V$ DO
 - $\mu := \mu_{new}(\mu, v)$
 - IF $\mu(v(s_0^c, s_0^p)) < \infty$ THEN
 - succeed (Simulation exists)



Contract-policy Matching's Result using Simulation

Proposition 6.2.

Let the theory \mathcal{T} be decidable with an oracle for the SMT problem in the complexity class C then:

The contract-policy matching problem for AMT using fair simulation is decidable in

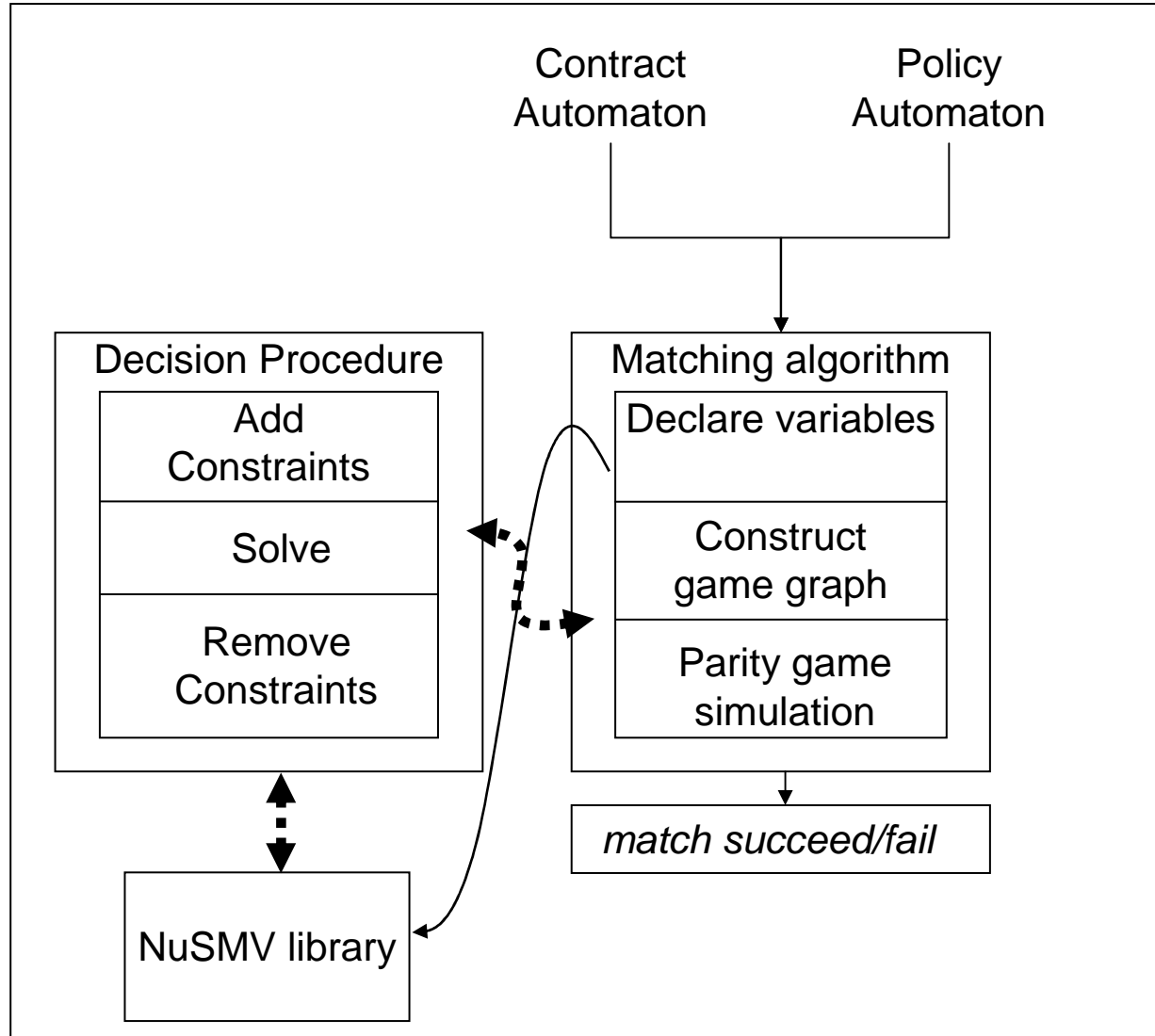
- **time: $O(2 \cdot |E| \cdot |V_1|)$**
- **space: $O(|V|)$**

– **By Lemma 6.1.**

- $|V_1|$ is in $O(|S^c| \cdot |S^p|)$
- $|V_0|$ is in $O(|S^c| \cdot |S^p| \cdot |\Delta^c|)$
- $|E|$ is in $O(|S^c| \cdot |S^p| \cdot |\Delta^c|)^C$



Simulation Contract-Policy Architecture



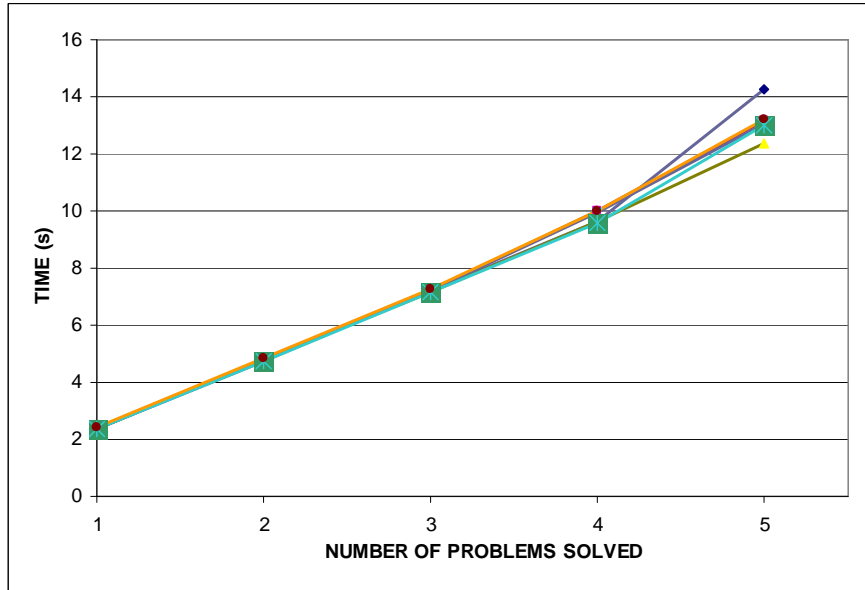


Matching Experiment

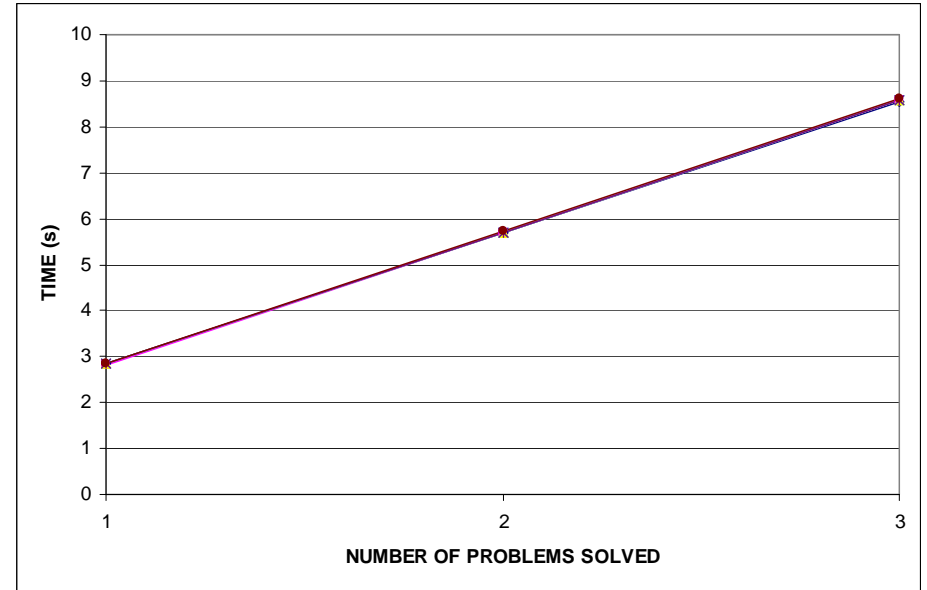
- Goal: proof-of-concept and deciding the best configuration of integrating matching algorithm with decision procedure
- Collected data: number of visited states, number of visited transitions, and running time for each problem in each design alternative
- Problem suite:
 - sample of policy-contract (mis)matching pairs
 - artificial problem to mimic large number of states
- Setup:
 - Desktop:
 - PC (Intel(R) Pentium D CPU 3.40GHz, 3389.442MHz, 1.99GB of RAM, 2048 KB cache)
 - On-the-fly: OS Linux version 2.6.20-16-generic, Kubuntu 7.04 (Feisty Fawn)
 - Simulation: Microsoft(R) Windows XP Professional Version 2002 Service Pack 3
 - Mobile device:
 - HTC P3600 (3G PDA phone) with ROM 128MB, RAM 64MB, 400MHz, Samsung(R) SC32442A
 - OS Microsoft(R) Windows Mobile 5.0 with Direct Push technology



On-the-fly Matching Experiment on Desktop



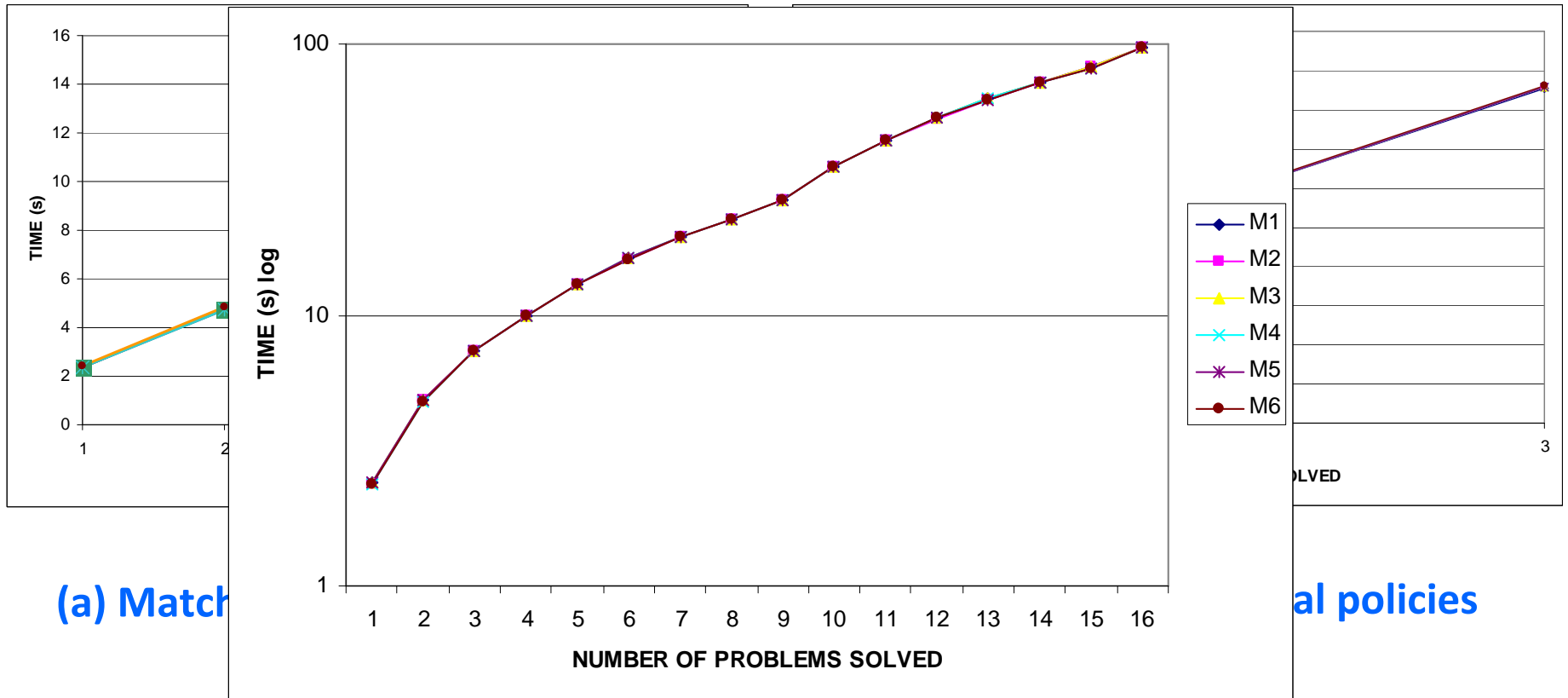
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(b) Match fails for real policies



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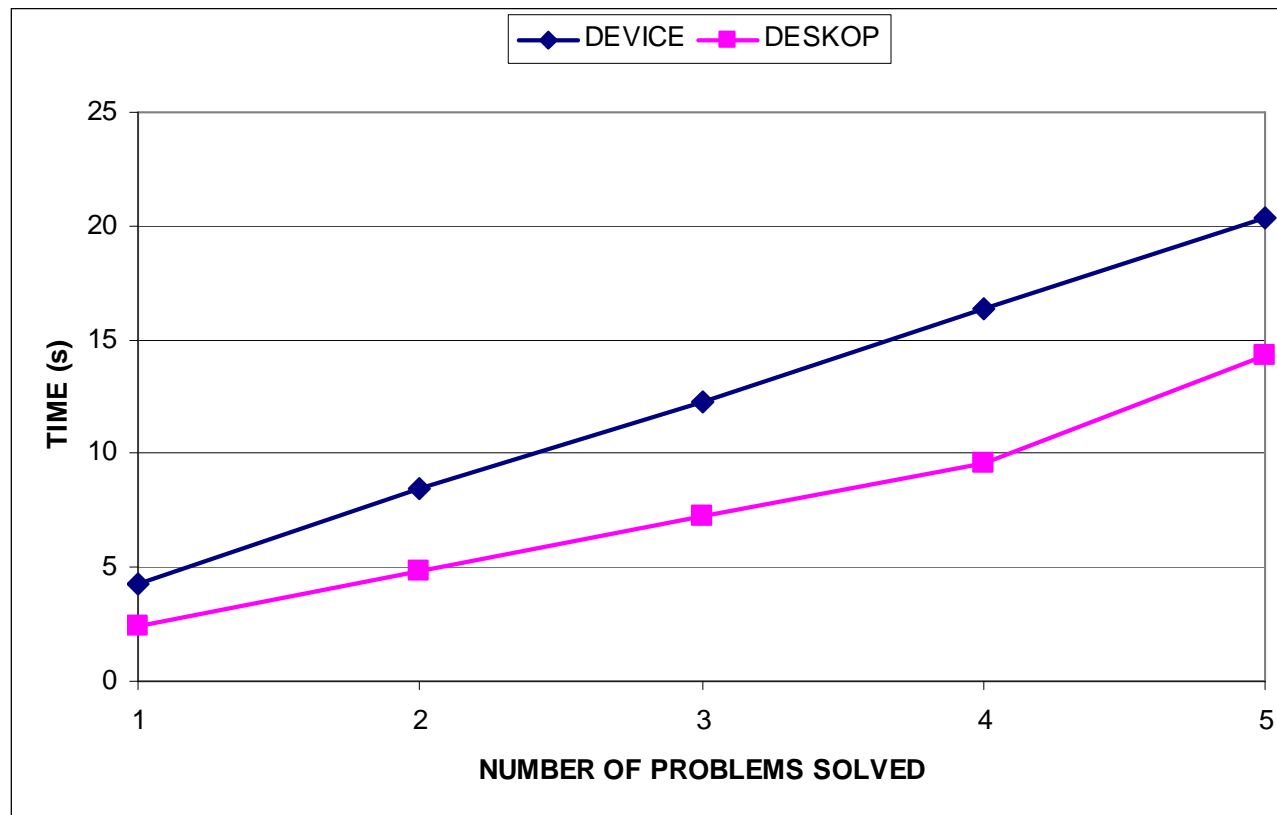
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(c) Matches among synthetic contracts and policies



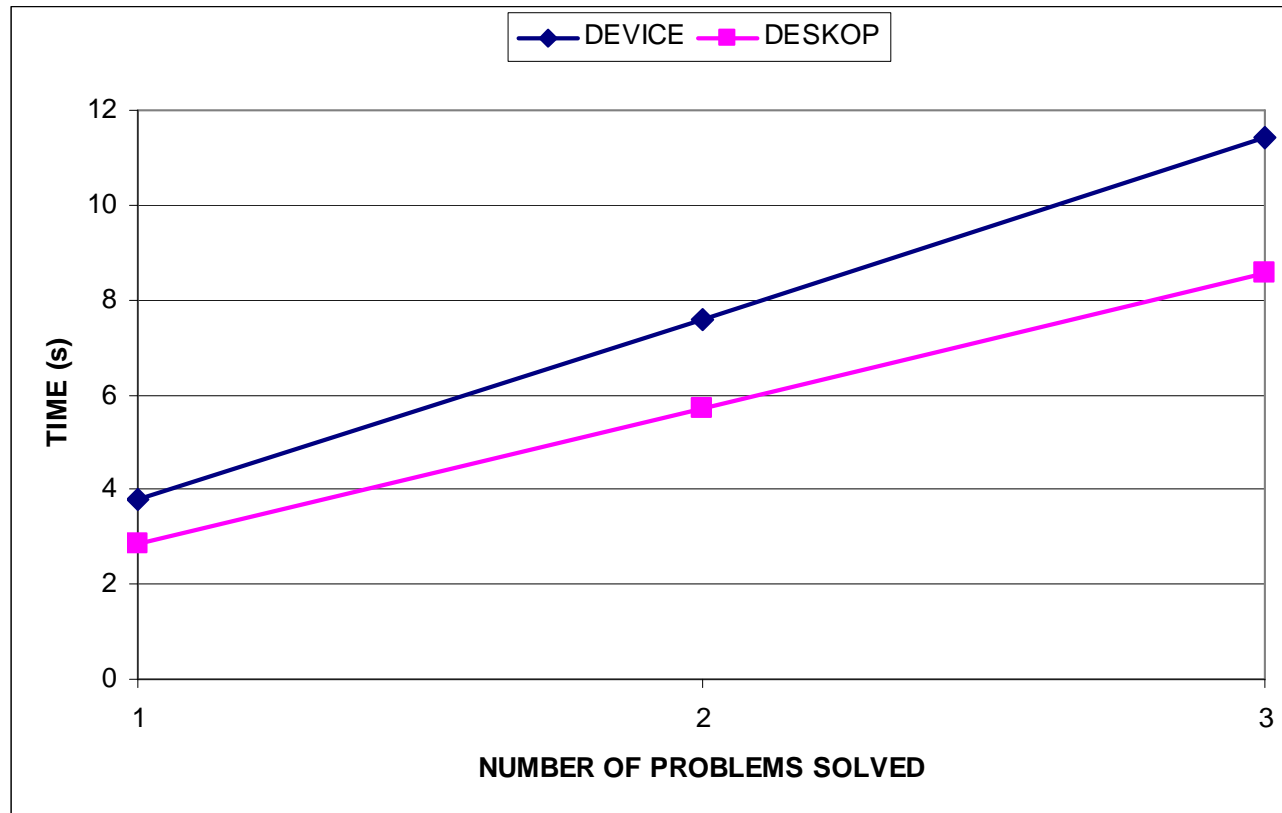
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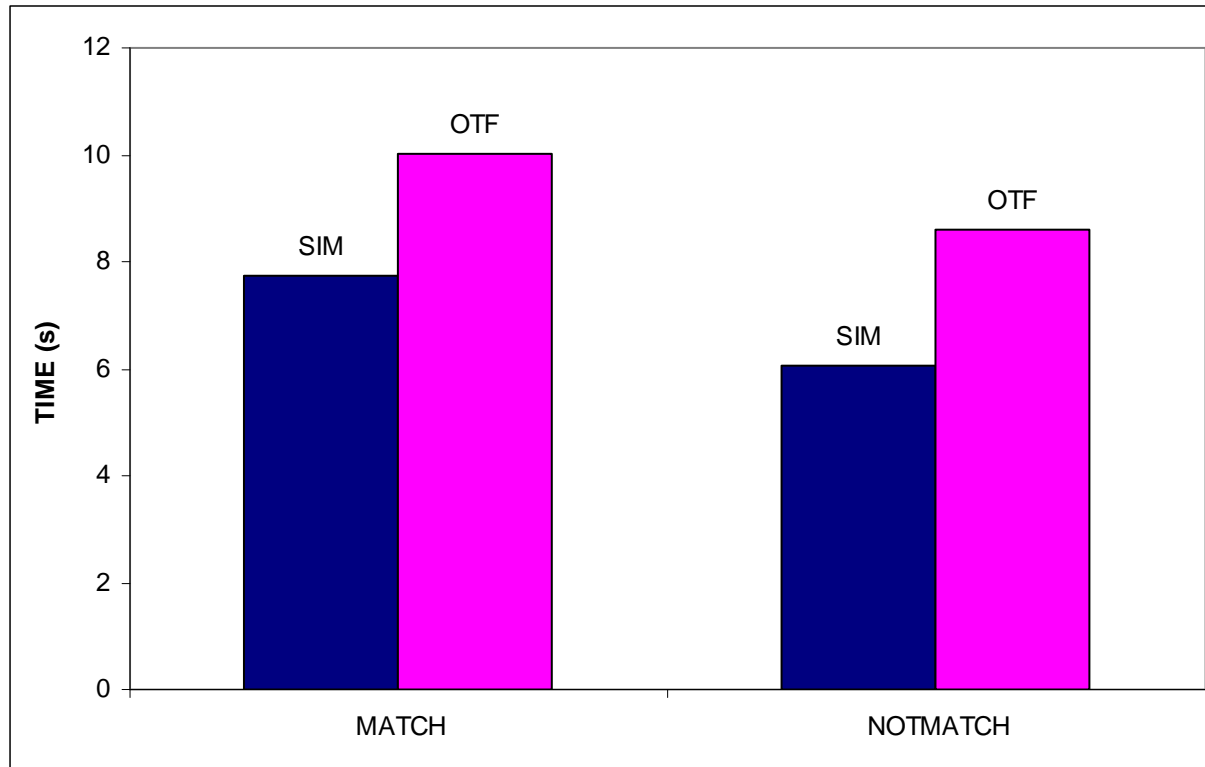
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(b) Match fails



Matching Experiment Simulation vs On-the-fly on Desktop



(a) Match succeeds

#SOLVED	SIM (s)	OTF (s)
1	2.014	2.41
2	3.948	4.825
3	5.834	7.263
4	7.72	10.023

(b) Match fails

#SOLVED	SIM (s)	OTF (s)
1	1.998	2.858
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3	6.056	8.602



Road Map

Security-by-Contract

Automata Modulo Theory

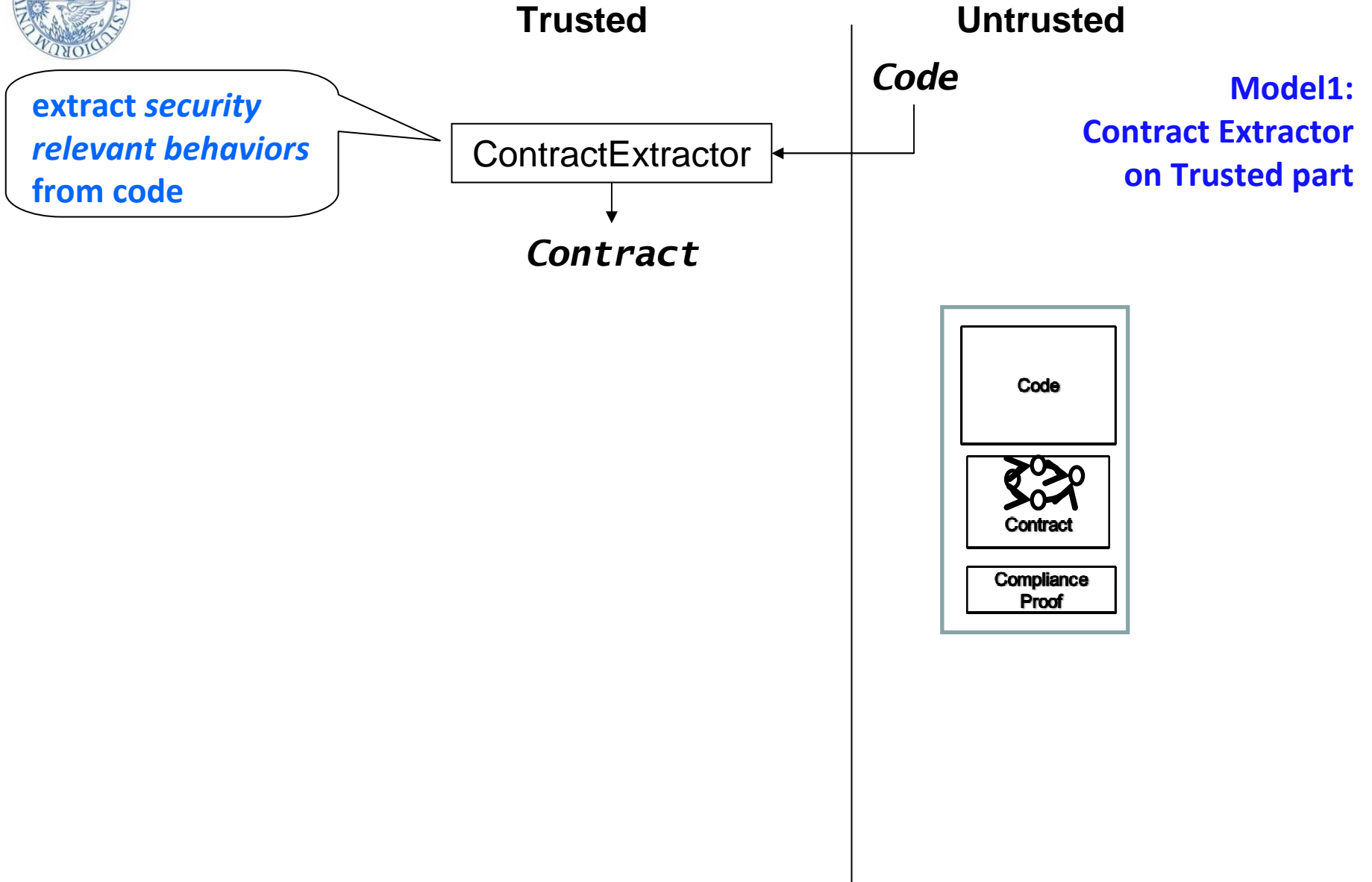
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Simulation Matching

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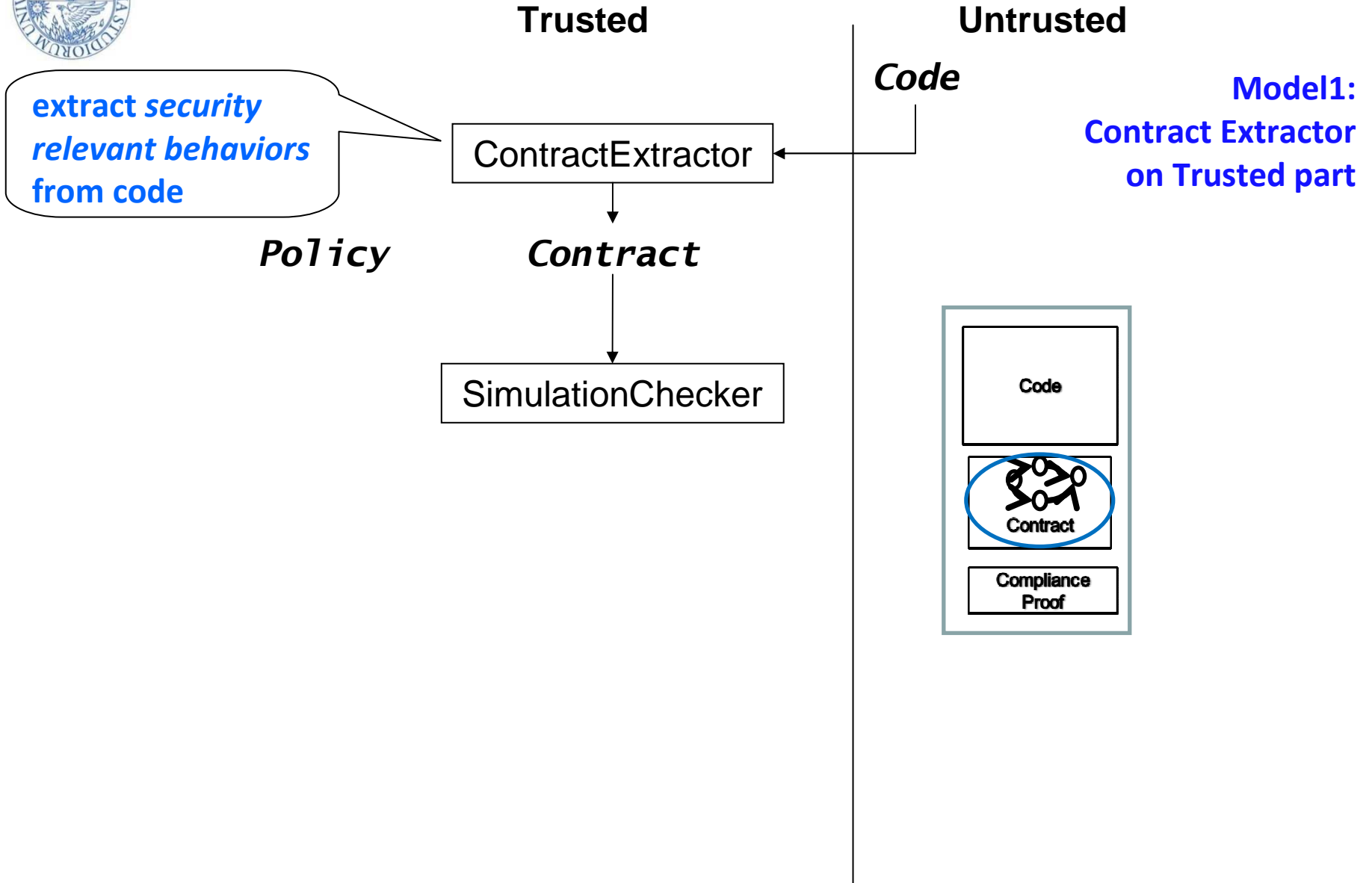


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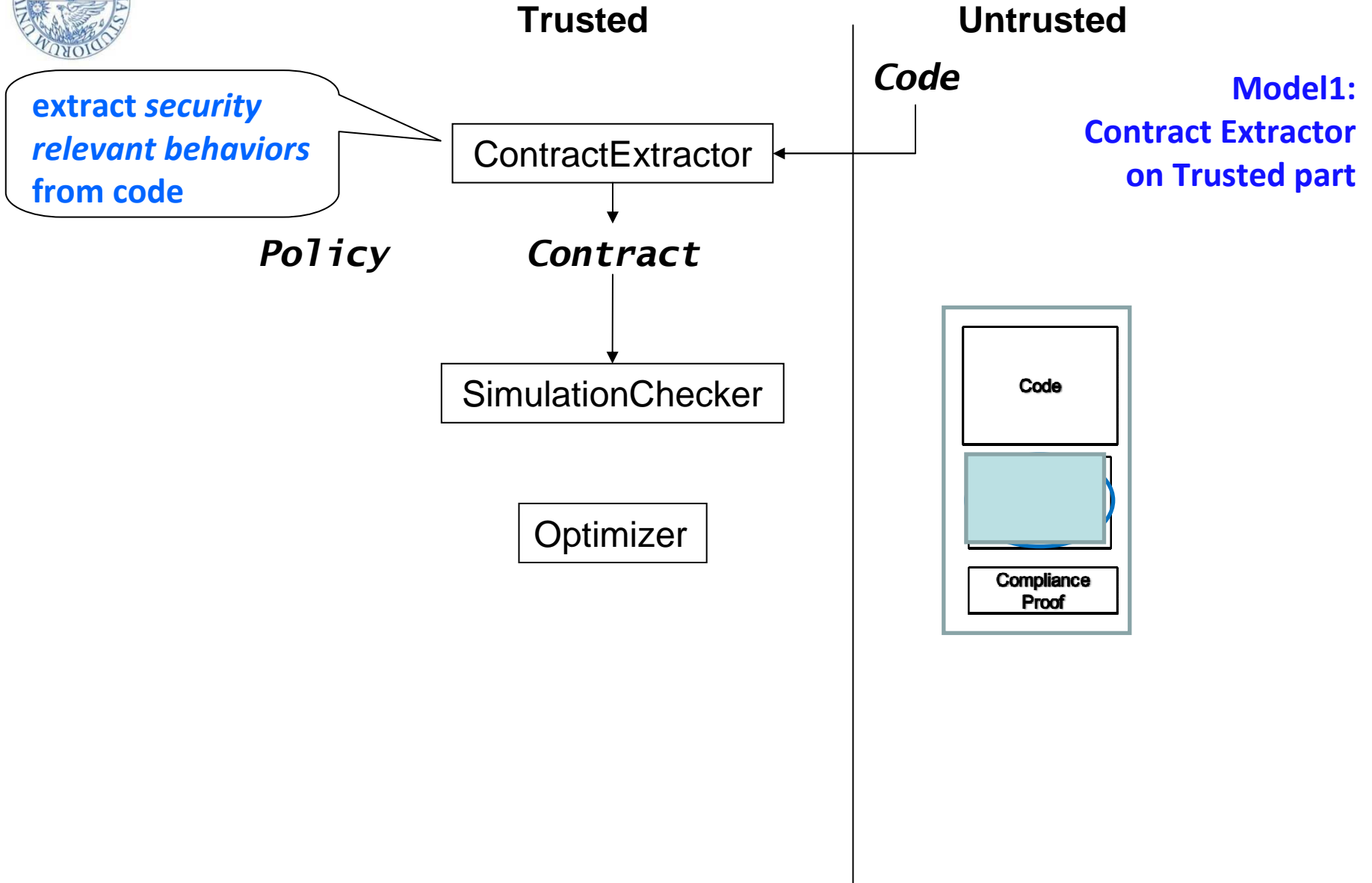


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extract security relevant behaviors from code

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Trusted

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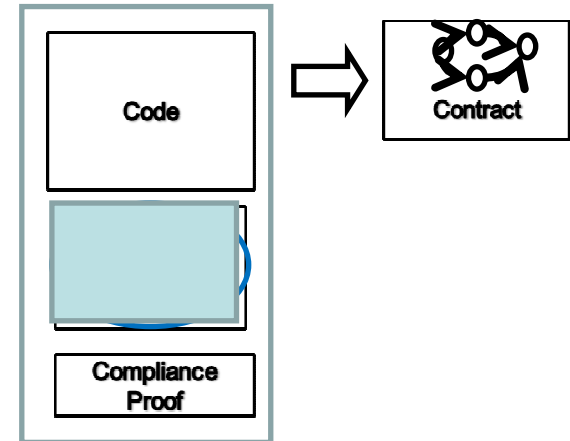
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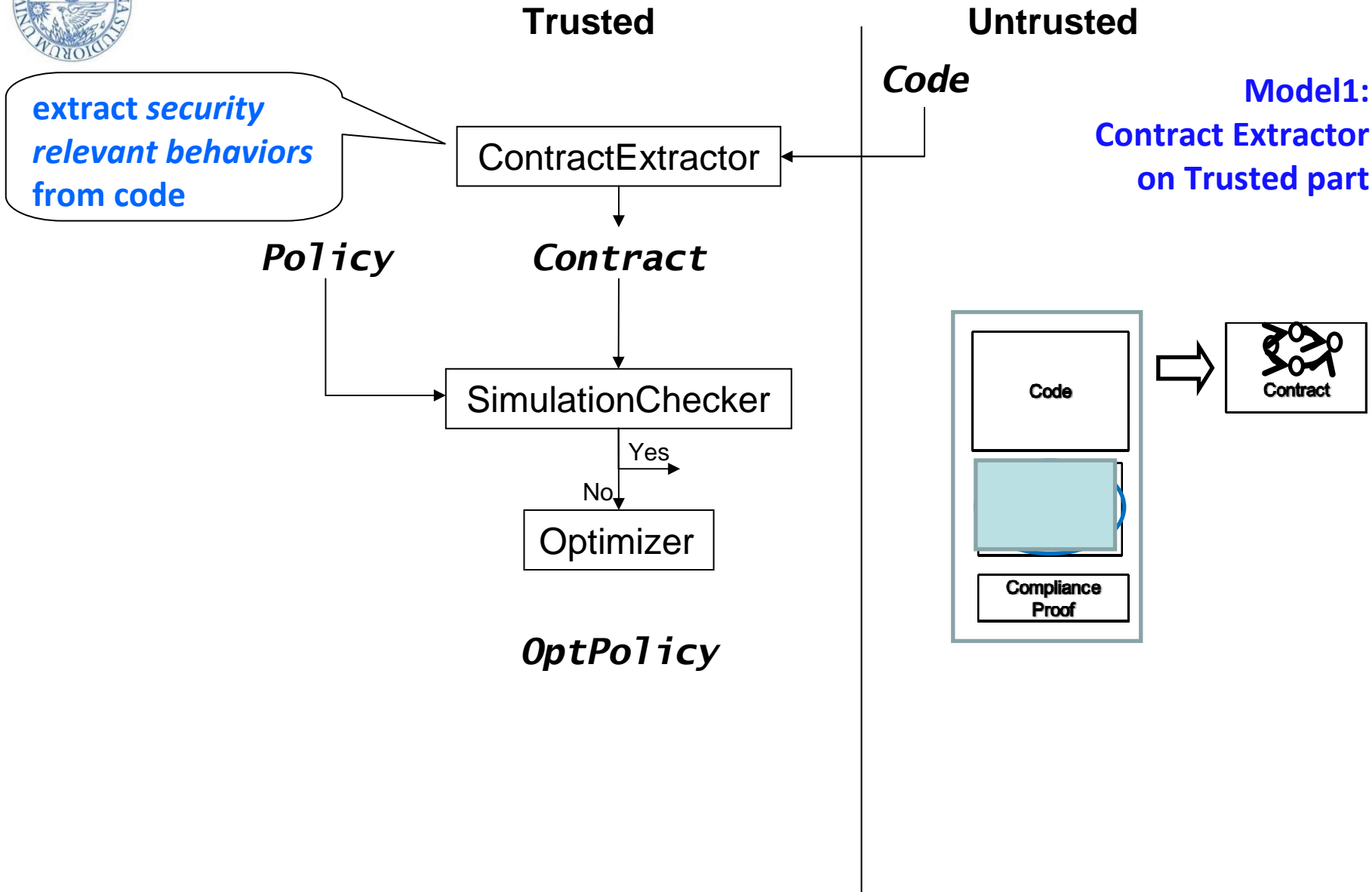
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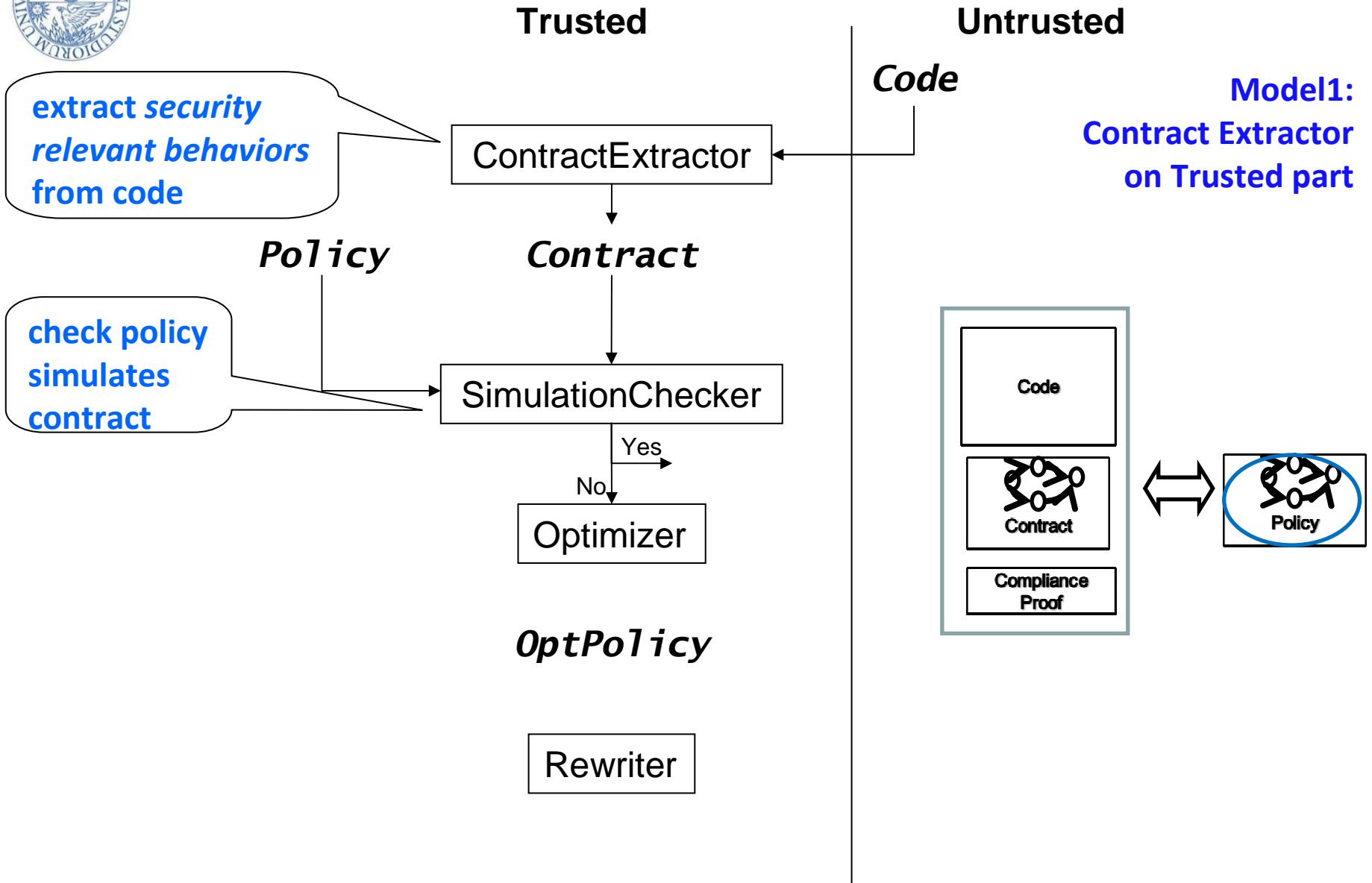


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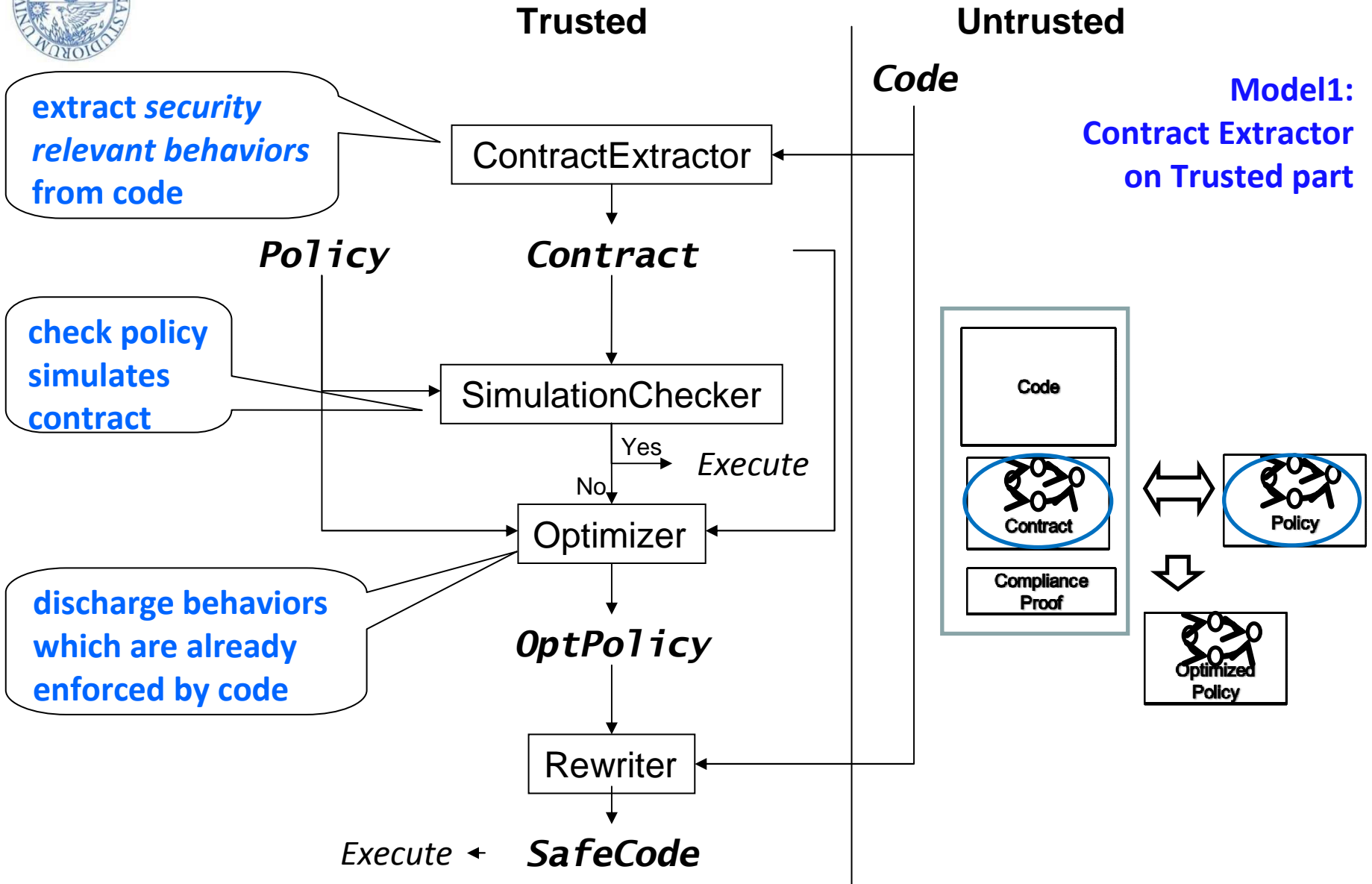


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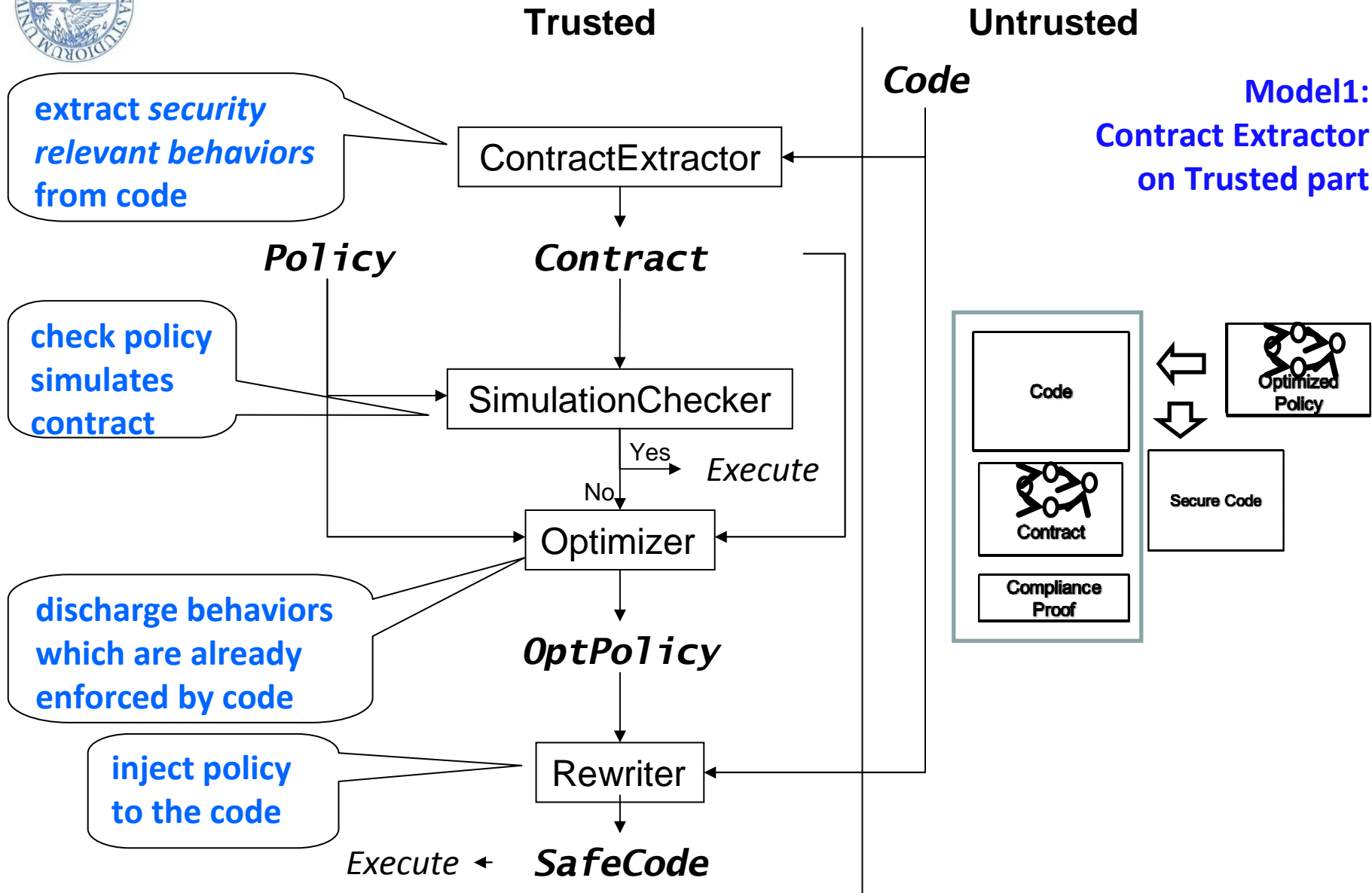


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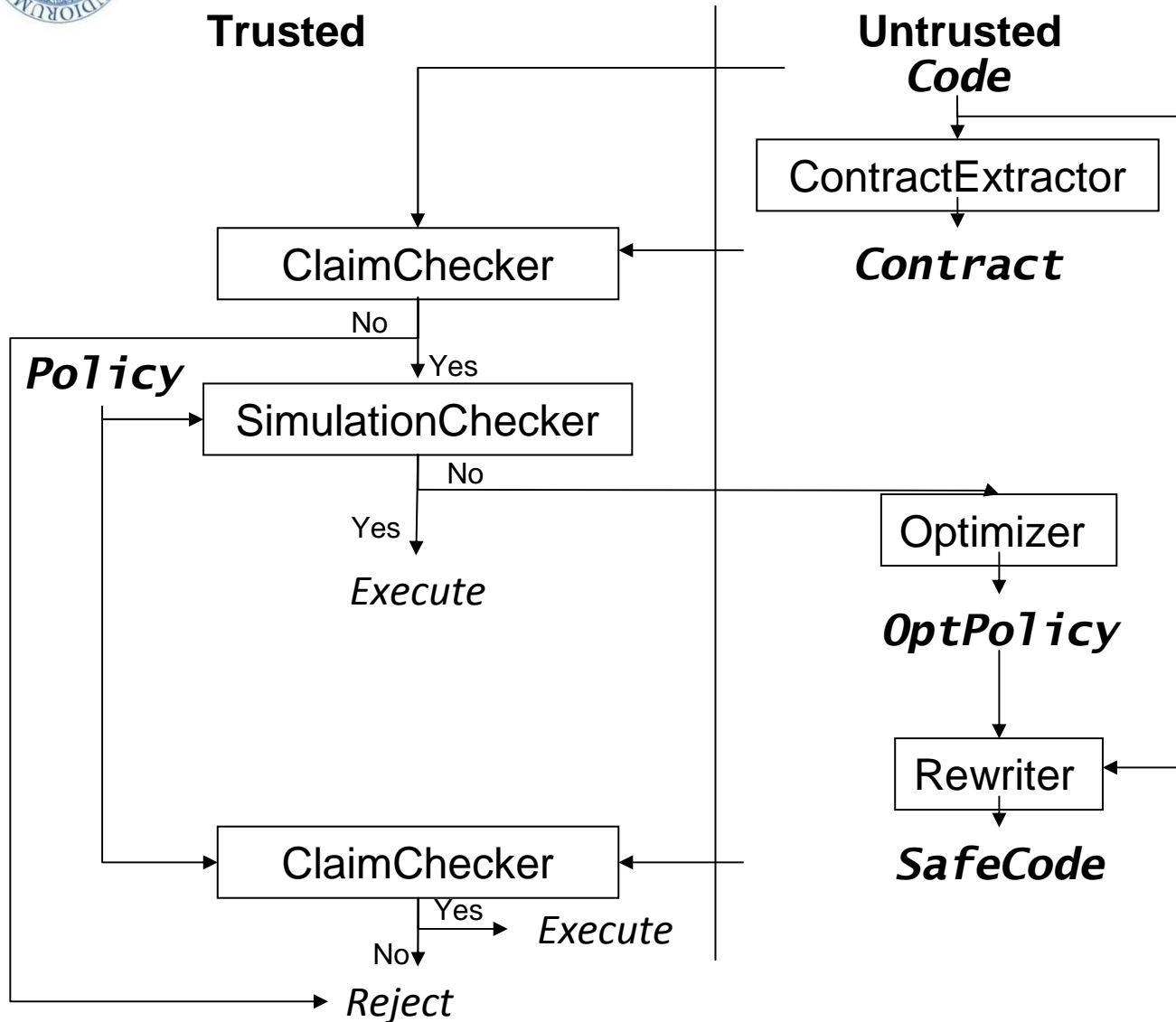
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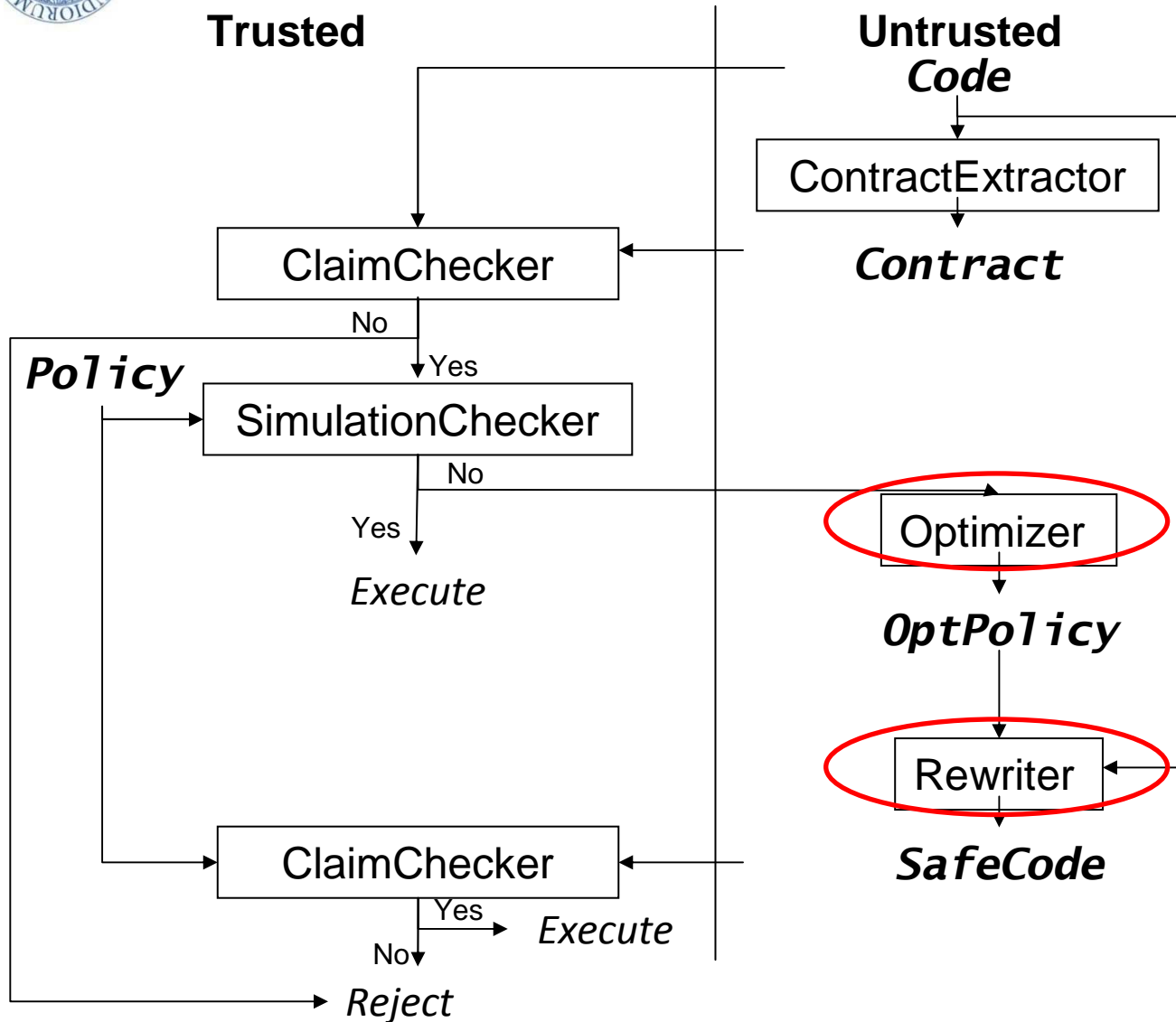
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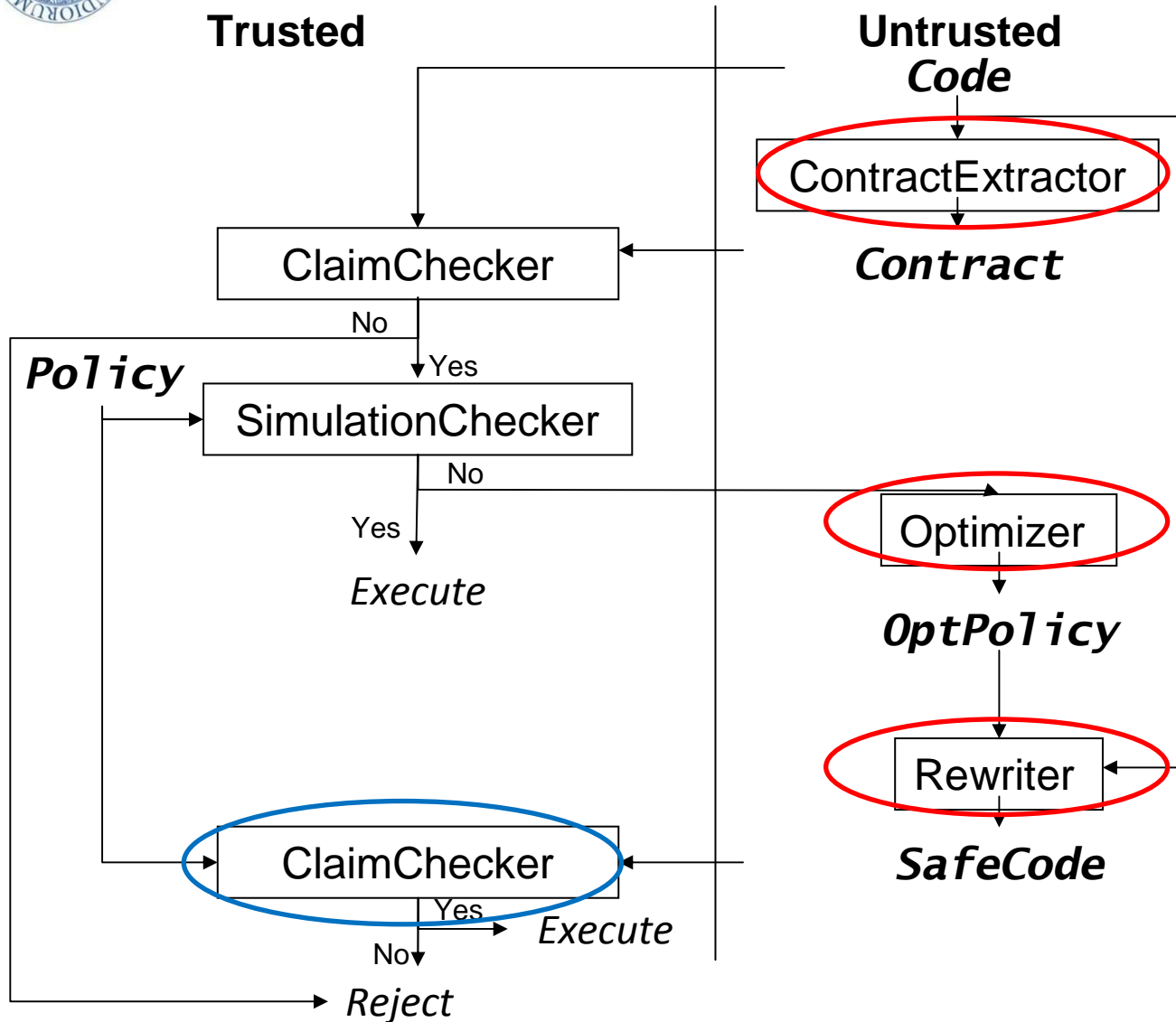
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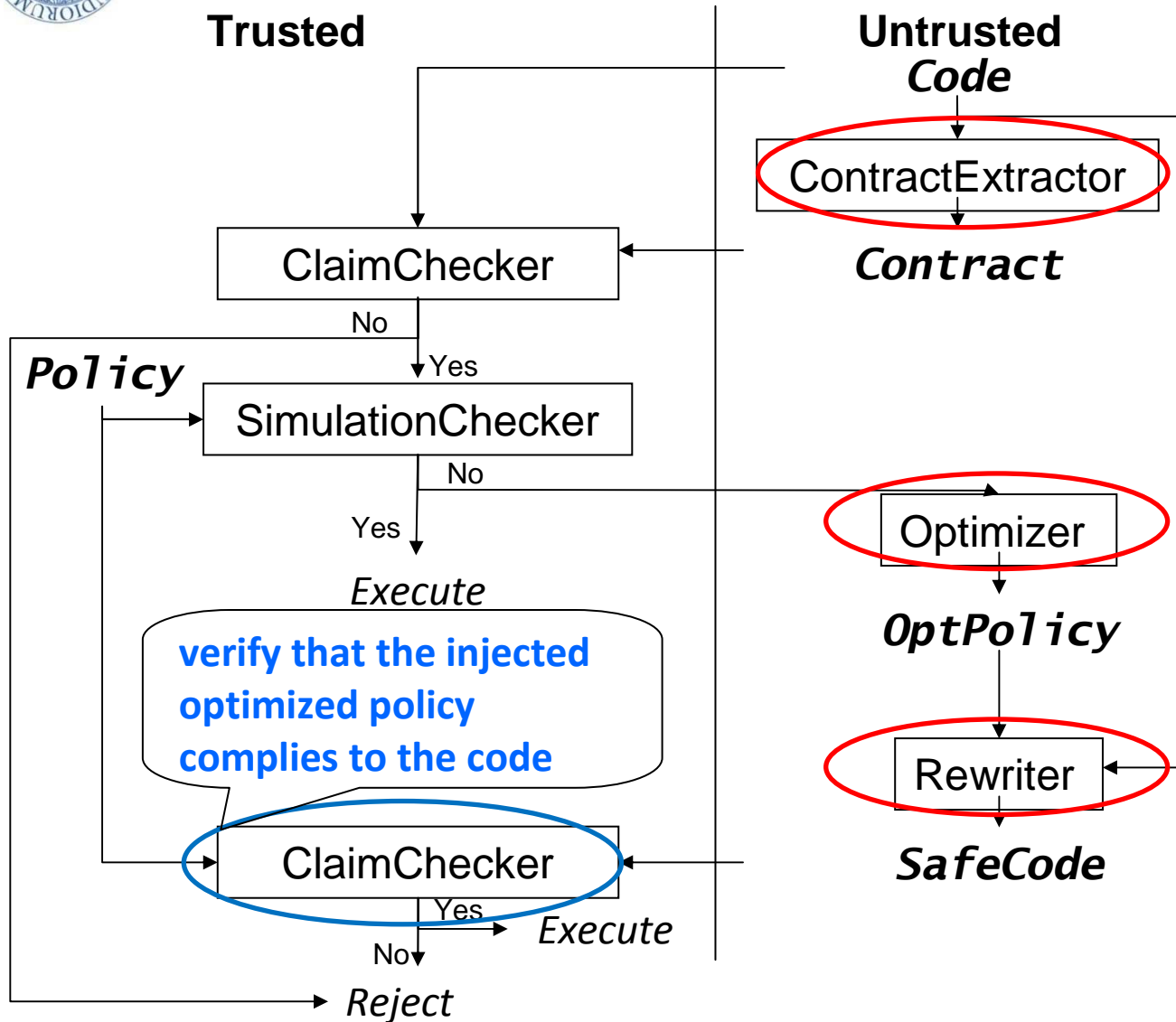
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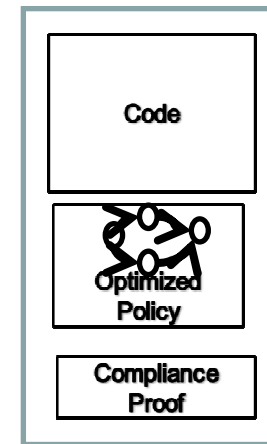
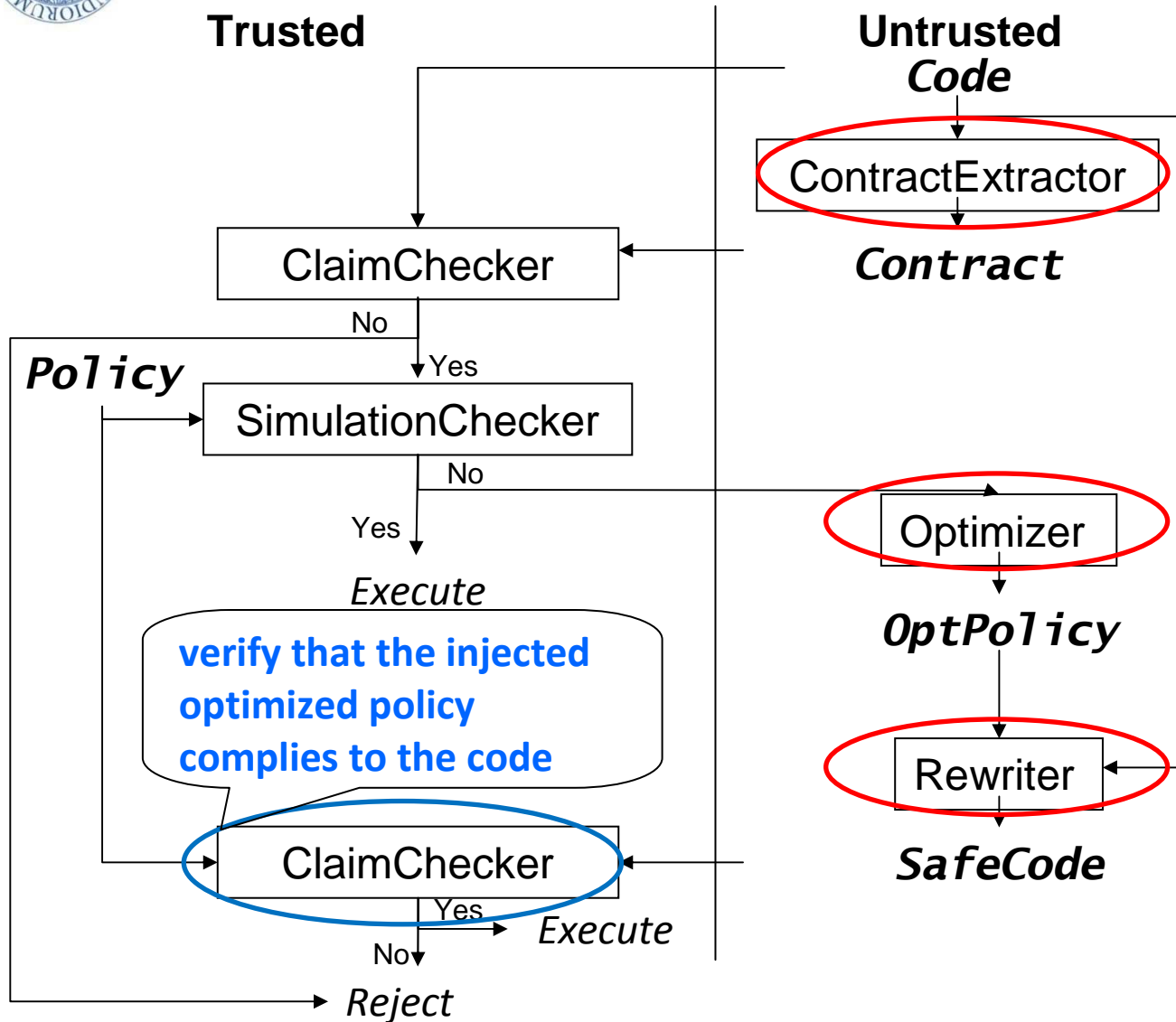
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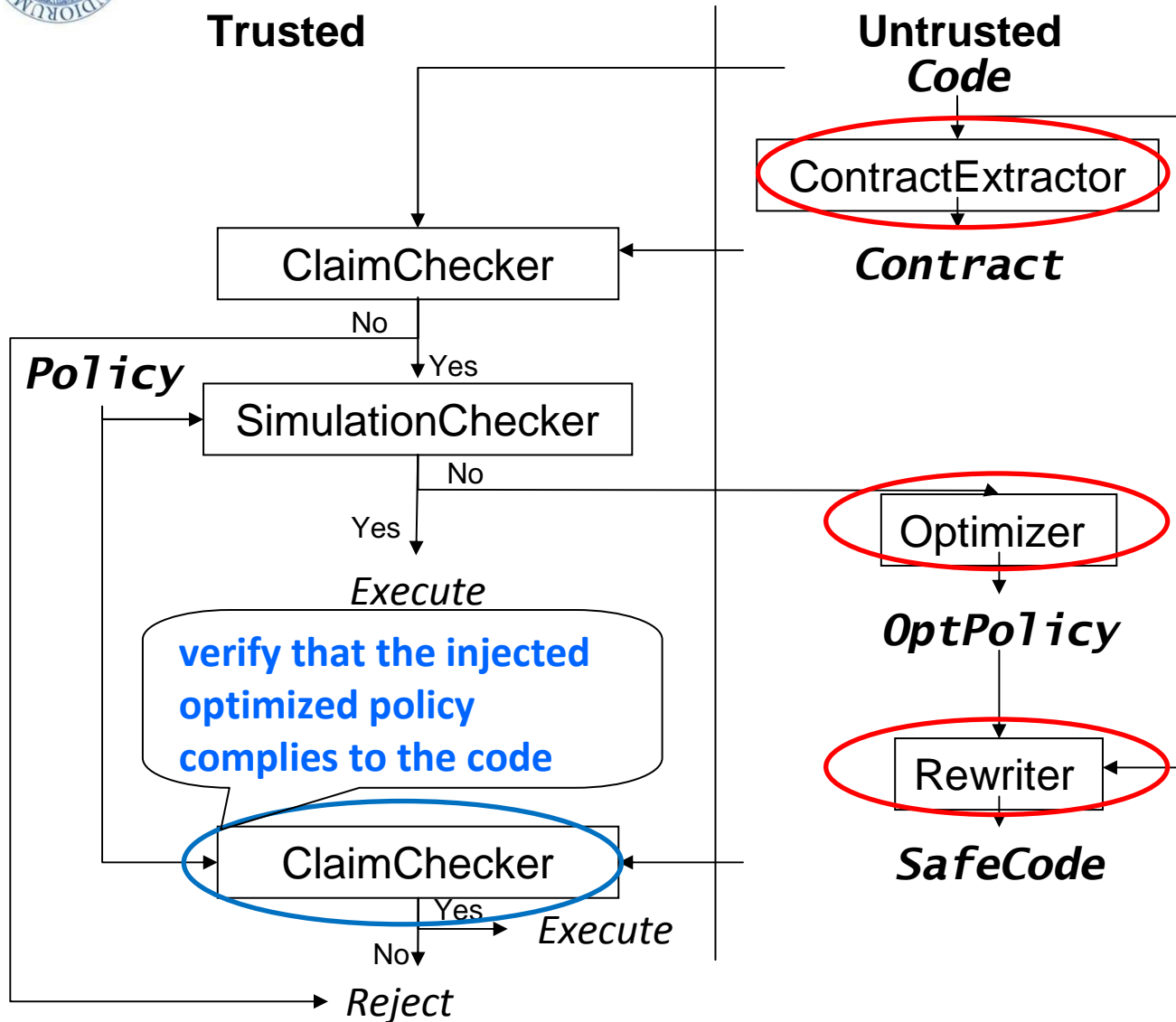
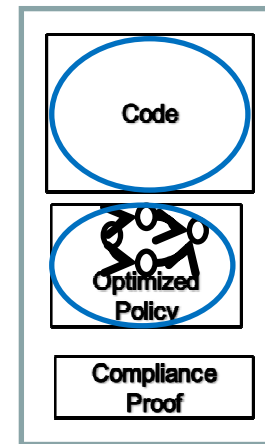
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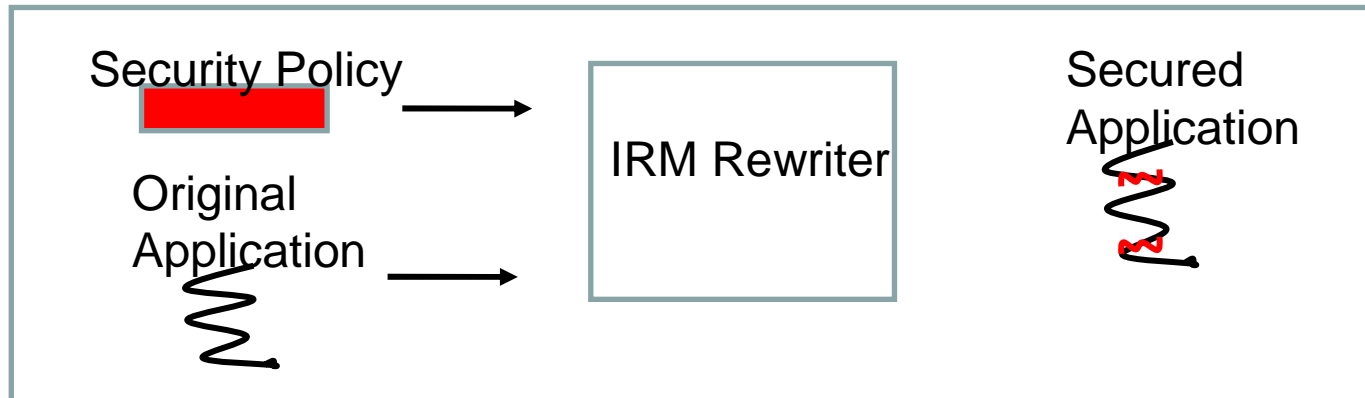
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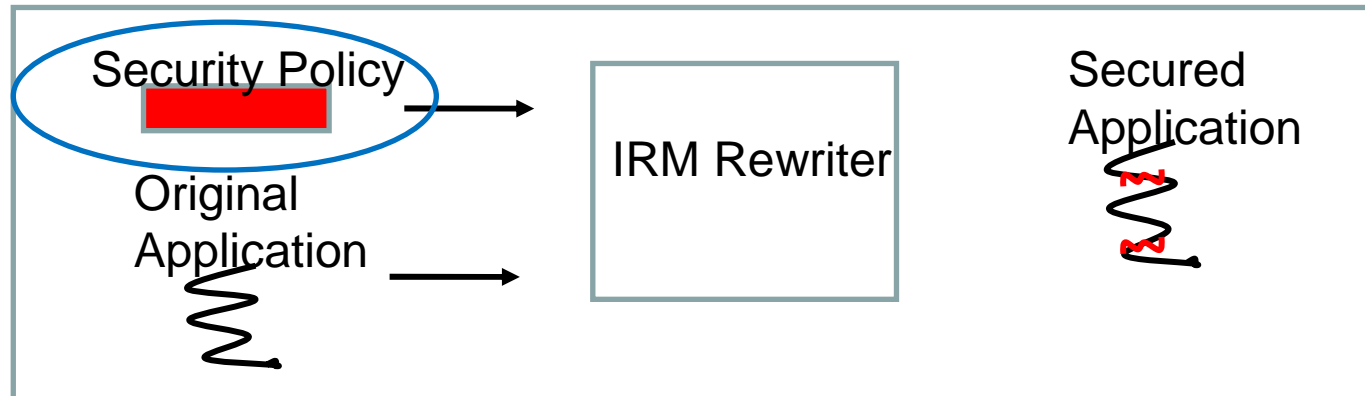


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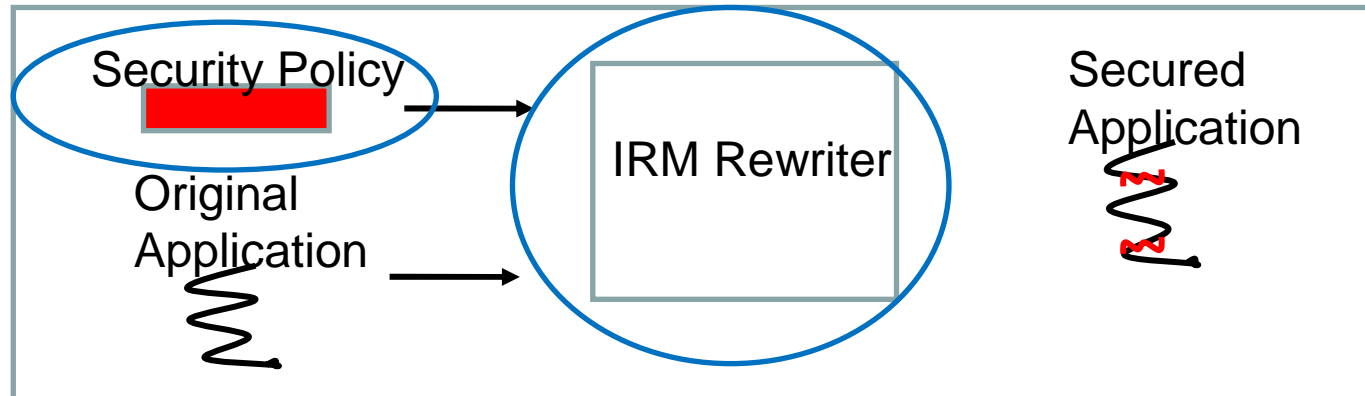
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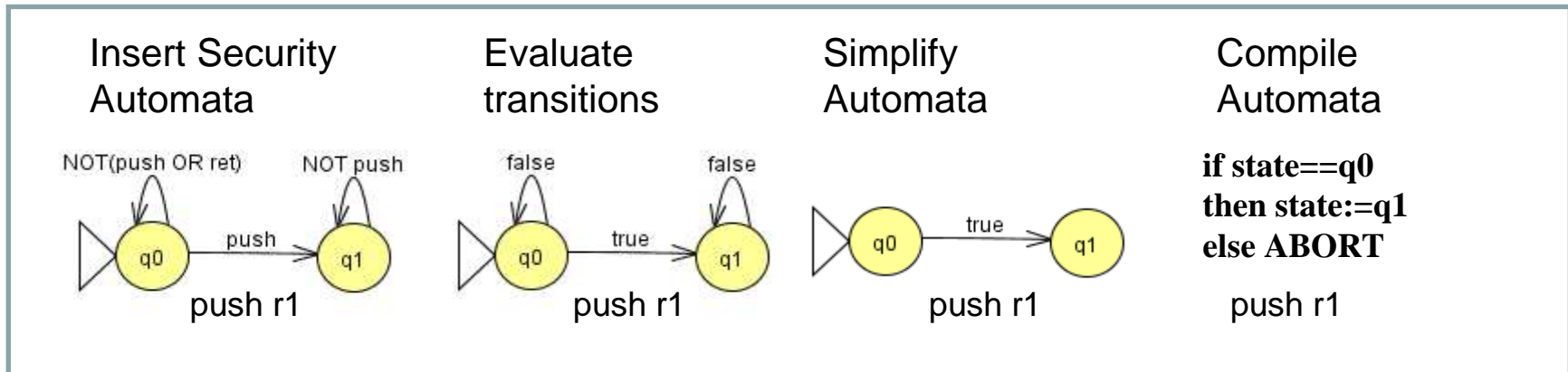
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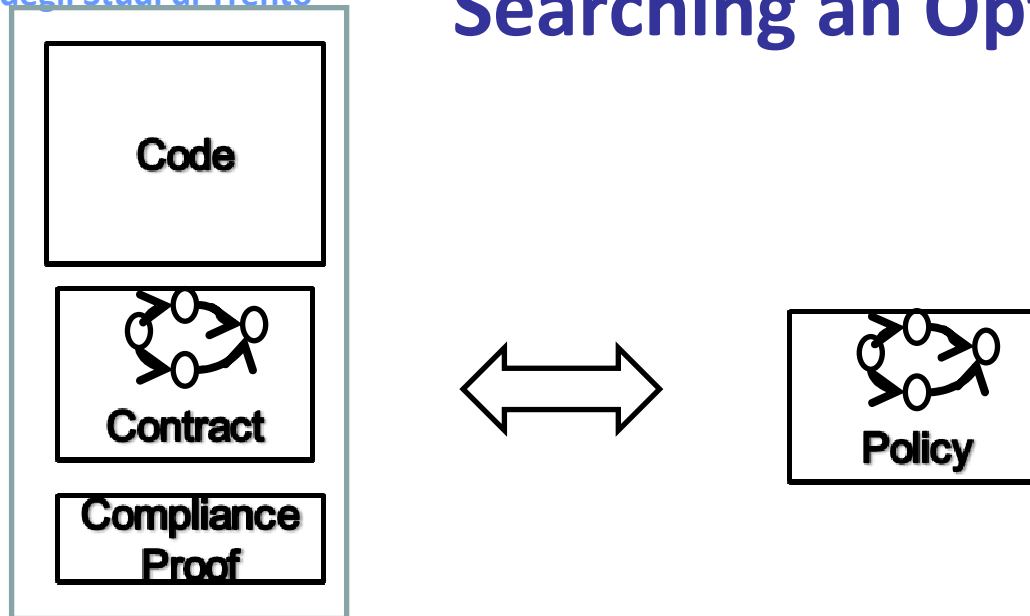
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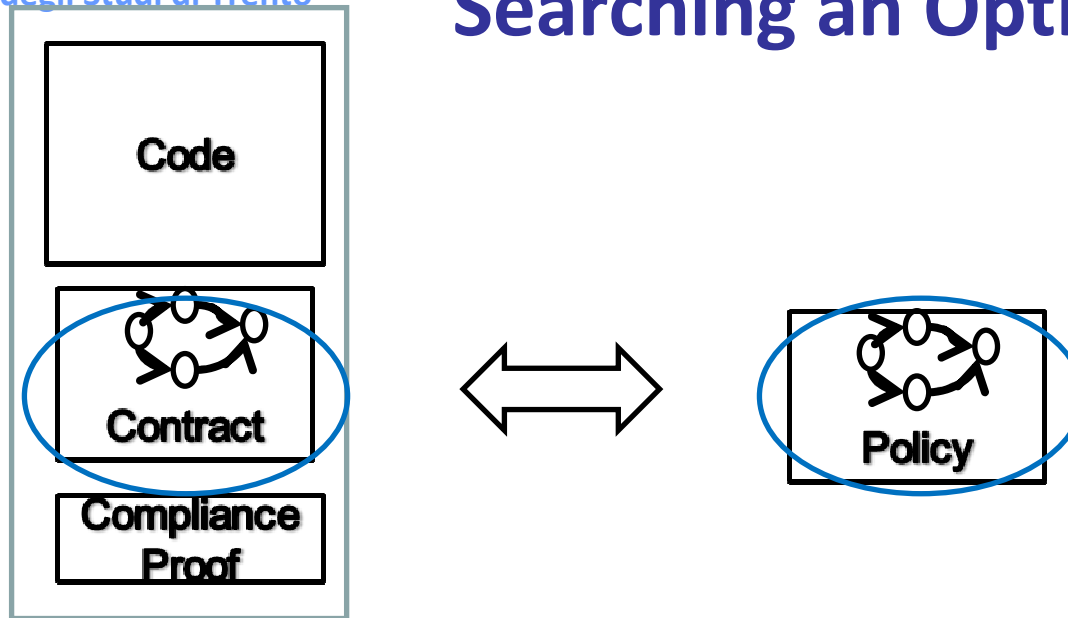
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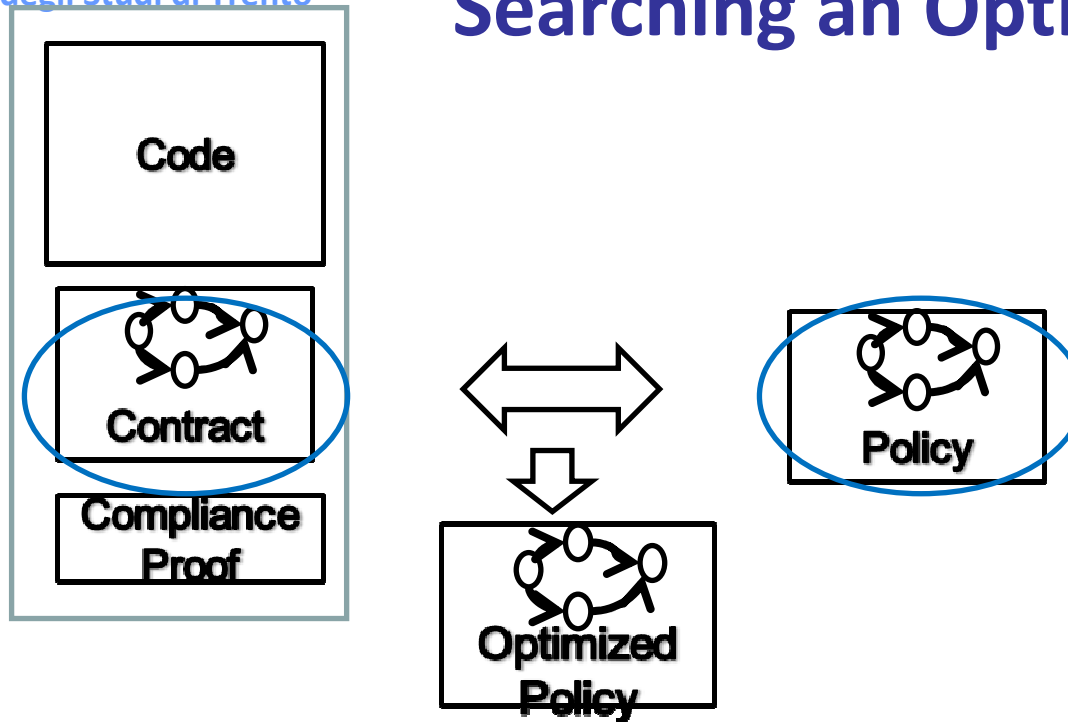
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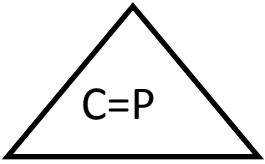
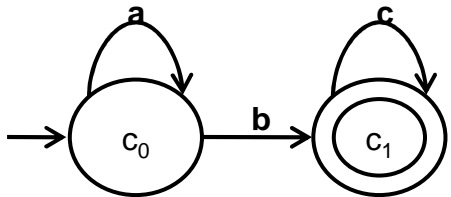
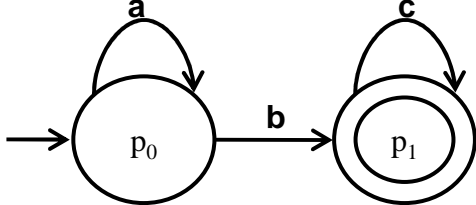
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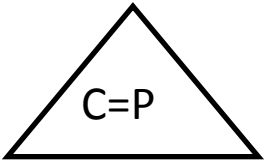
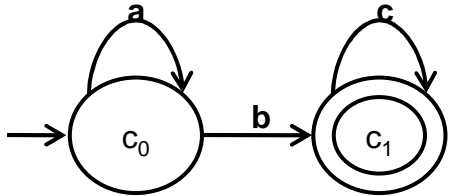
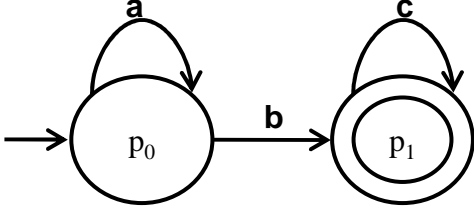
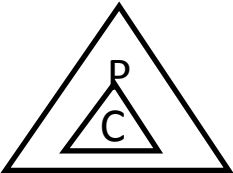
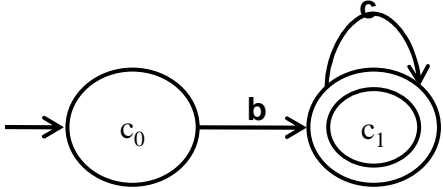
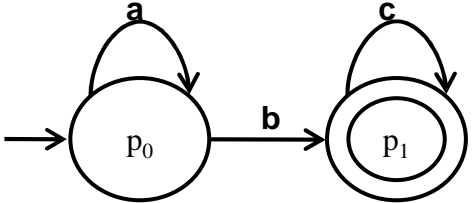


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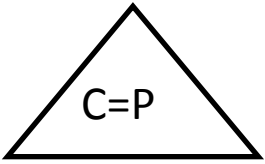
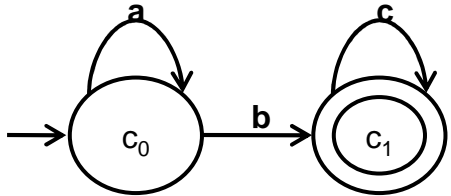
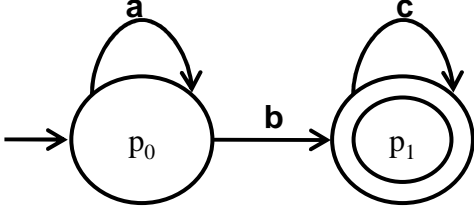
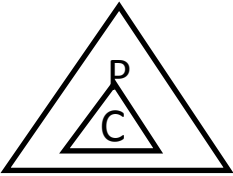
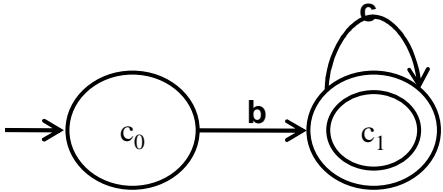
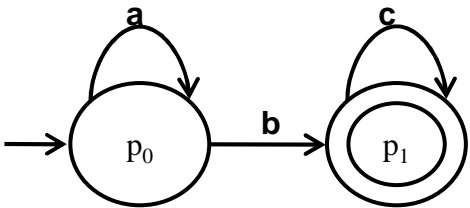


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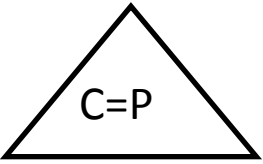
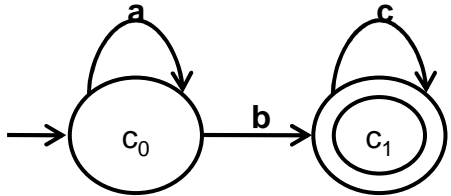
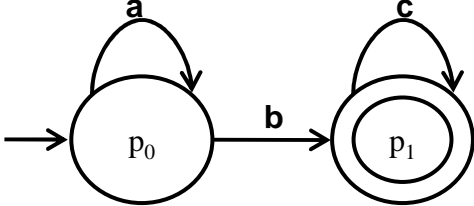
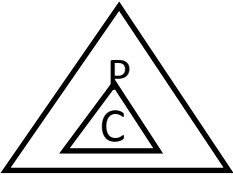
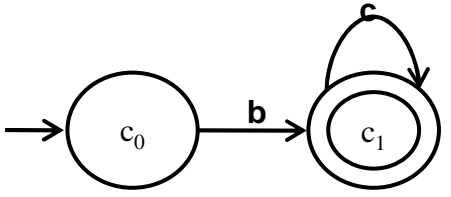
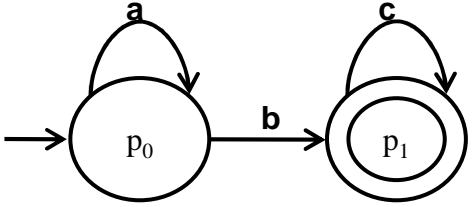
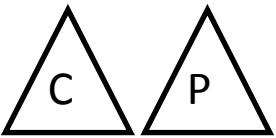
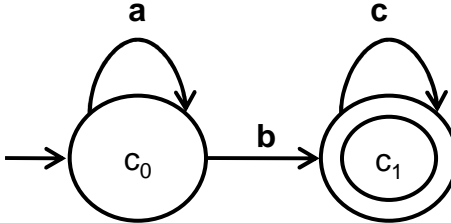
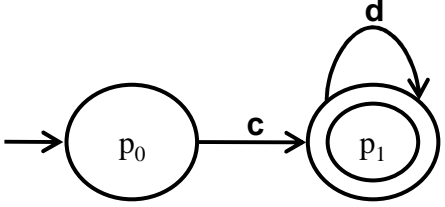
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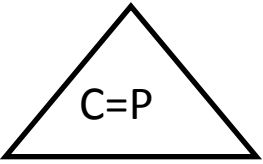
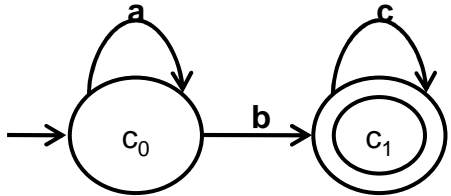
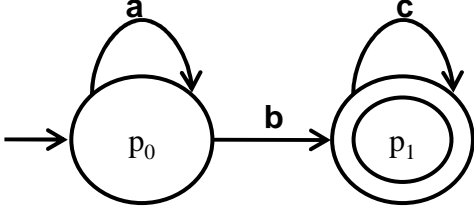
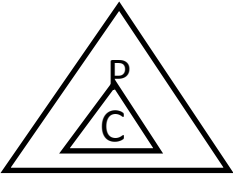
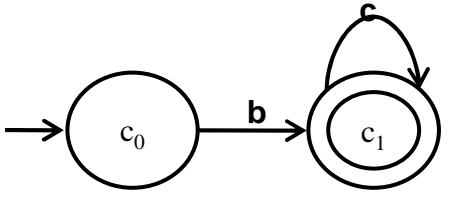
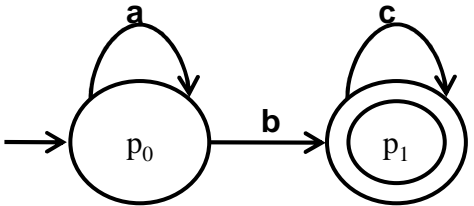
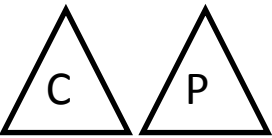
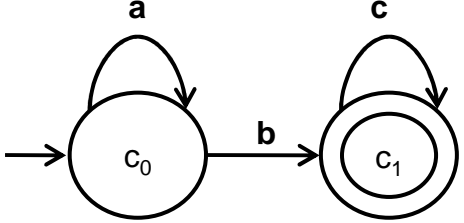
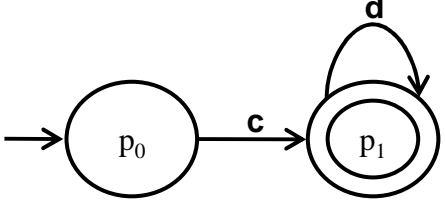
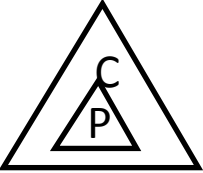
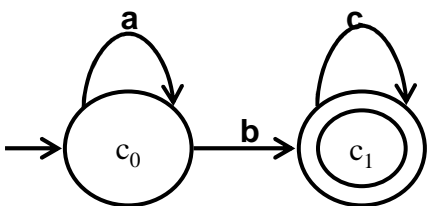
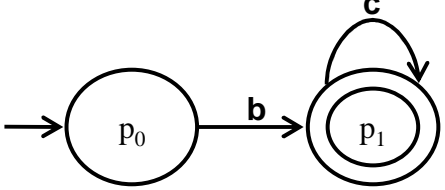
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Conclusions

- **Security policies of both safety and liveness properties**
- **Mechanism for defining a general security policies (not platform-specific)**
- **Mechanism for representing an infinite structure as a finite structure**
- **Goal:**
 - to provide contract-policy matching
 - issues: small memory footprint, efficient computations
 - the tractability limit is the complexity of the satisfiability procedure for the background theories used to describe expressions
- **Results:**
 - Contract-policy matching problem for AMT using language inclusion and simulation
 - Policy optimization problem for AMT using fair simulation



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