

Verification & Testing

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Today

1. Administrative
2. Motivation

Administrative

Material & Communications

Physical lecture – no recordings

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Plan

Thursdays, 4PM s.t.

DATE	TOPIC
12 Oct (BM)	Eraser & Locktree
19 Oct	Memory Debuggers
26 Oct	— Public Holiday —
09 Nov	Symbolic Methods
16 Nov (BM)	Hoare Logic
23 Nov (BM)	Hoare Logic II
30 Nov, 7 Dec, 14 Dec	SLAM
21 Dec, 28 Dec, 4 Jan	— Christmas Holidays —
11 Jan	Java Pathfinder
18 Jan	Current Research Topics + Question Hour
25 Jan	EXAM

How to get a grade?

Lecture:

- Take the exam (main exam date: 25 Jan 2024)

Practicals

Benedikt Maderbacher Next week

Details of Uebung
Exercise number 1



The Sorry State of Testing

Apple SSL/TSL v55741, Feb. 2014

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SSLVerifySignedServerKeyExchange:
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. . .  
hashOut.data = hashes + SSL_MD5_DIGEST_LEN;  
hashOut.length = SSL_SHA1_DIGEST_LEN;  
if ((err = SSLFreeBuffer(&hashCtx)) != 0)  
    goto fail;  
if ((err = ReadyHash(&SSLHashSHA1, &hashCtx)) != 0)  
    goto fail;  
if ((err = SSLHashSHA1.update(&hashCtx, &clientRandom)) != 0)  
    goto fail;  
if ((err = SSLHashSHA1.update(&hashCtx, &serverRandom)) != 0)  
    goto fail;  
if ((err = SSLHashSHA1.update(&hashCtx, &signedParams)) != 0)  
    goto fail;  
    goto fail; /* MISTAKE! THIS LINE SHOULD NOT BE HERE. err==0 */  
if ((err = SSLHashSHA1.final(&hashCtx, &hashOut)) != 0)  
    goto fail;  
  
err = sslRawVerify(...);  
. . .
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this is an old EULA. Newer software comes with a 90-day limited warranty

Damage due to Bugs (US alone)

**\$20-\$60 billion
annually**

Size of software industry: \$120billion

Things Go Very Wrong



Things Go Very Wrong

Ariane 5 flight 501, 4 June 1996

Reuse of module written for Ariane 4, which is slower.
Acceleration values do not fit 16 bit integer.

1. Out-of-range value leads to unhandled exception in active and backup systems
2. Software transmits diagnostic data to main computer.
3. Main computer interprets diagnostic input as navigation data
4. Rockets starts tearing apart, triggers self destruct system

Failed system was not needed on Ariane 5.

Cost: \$400m



How Boeing 737 MAX's flawed flight control system led to 2 crashes that killed 346

Watch the full story on "20/20"

By [Joseph Rhee](#), [Gerry Wagschal](#), and [Jinsol Jung](#)

November 27, 2020, 7:00 PM



“The flight management computer is a computer. What that means is that it's not full of aluminum bits, cables, fuel lines, or all the other accoutrements of aviation. It's full of lines of code. And that's where things get dangerous.” – Gregory Travis

<https://spectrum.ieee.org/how-the-boeing-737-max-disaster-looks-to-a-software-developer>

Report: Software bug led to death in Uber's self-driving crash

Sensors detected Elaine Herzberg, but software reportedly decided to ignore her.

TIMOTHY B. LEE - 5/8/2018, 12:12 AM



What about Other Disciplines?



Si-o-se Pol bridge, 1600, Isfahan

What about Other Disciplines?

“Engineering is the discipline, art, and profession that applies scientific theory to design, develop, and analyze technological solutions.”

Civil engineering is an engineering discipline. Computer science is not.

Why not?

“Neither such coders nor their managers are as in touch with the particular culture and mores of the aviation world as much as the people who are down on the factory floor, riveting wings on, designing control yokes, and fitting landing gears. Those people have decades of institutional memory about what has worked in the past and what has not worked. Software people do not.”

What about Other Disciplines?

Tacoma Narrows Bridge. Washington, 1940
Fragile suspension bridge (new type of design)
Aerodynamics!
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j-zczJXSxnw>

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Erasmus Bridge

Rotterdam,

Netherlands, 1997

Aerodynamical problem

Solved by adding extra
wires



Millenium Bridge

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eAXVa__XWZ8&t=2s

London, 2000. Cost: £18M. Added shock absorbers (Cost: £5M)

What about Other Disciplines?

Common theme in failures: **new design**

In computer science, every design is new!

Two contributions

1. **Mathematical rigor:** Verify, don't test!
2. **Correctness first:** Establish correctness while programming

Verification & Testing

Testing: Try out the software for many different scenarios

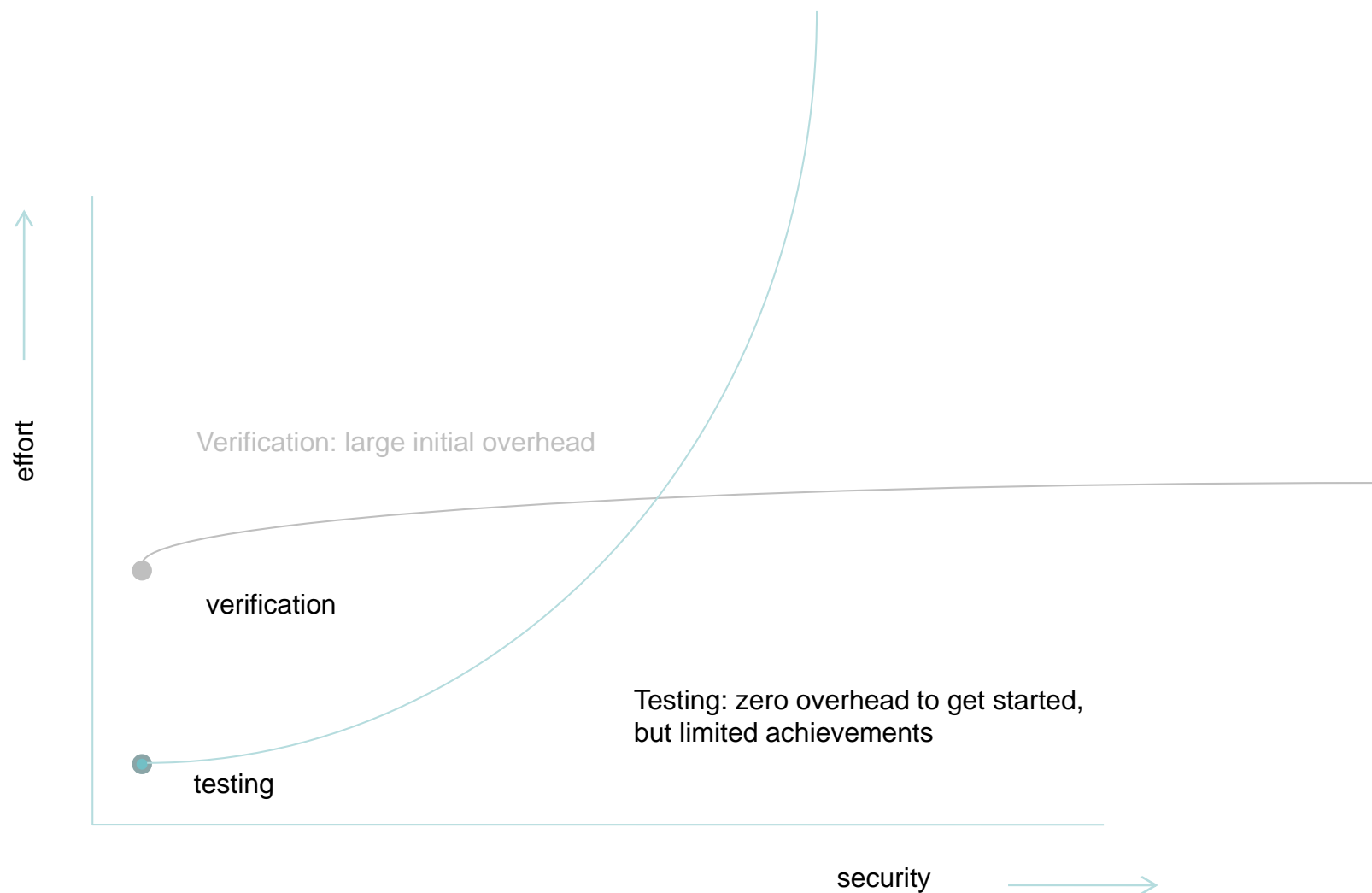
Verification: prove the correctness of software

Testing: some payoff for any size system

Verification: scaling is hard

MAIN CHALLENGE

Testing vs Verification



Hardware & Software

Hardware

high
high
high
high

expectation of quality
cost of reimplementation
cost to update / replace
cost of failure

model checking
becoming
standard

Software

low
low
low
low?

model
checking in
limited
domains

A problem has been detected and Windows has been shut down to prevent damage to your computer.

PFN_LIST_CORRUPT

If this is the first time you've seen this Stop error screen, restart your computer. If this screen appears again, follow these steps:

Check to make sure any new hardware or software is properly installed. If this is a new installation, ask your hardware or software manufacturer for any Windows updates you might need.

If problems continue, disable or remove any newly installed hardware or software. Disable BIOS memory options such as caching or shadowing. If you need to use Safe Mode to remove or disable components, restart your computer, press F8 to select Advanced Startup Options, and then select Safe Mode.

Technical information:

*** STOP: 0x0000004e (0x00000099, 0x00900009, 0x00000900, 0x00000900)

Beginning dump of physical memory

Physical memory dump complete.

Contact your system administrator or technical support group for further assistance.

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Verification Example: Microsoft Device Drivers

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**A headache for Microsoft...
that they are working on:
Verification tool (model checker) part of the device
driver development kit**

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State of the Art

Verification is standard

- In VLSI design
- In MS Windows development
- At Facebook
- At Amazon
- ...

The Facebook logo, consisting of the word "facebook" in white lowercase letters on a blue rectangular background.The Microsoft logo, featuring the four-pane Windows icon (red, green, blue, yellow) followed by the word "Microsoft" in a sans-serif font.The Amazon logo, featuring the word "amazon" in a bold, lowercase sans-serif font with a yellow curved arrow underneath it.

Plan

Dynamic Algorithms. *Get more from testing*

- Deadlocks: Eraser & Locktree
- Memory use: Valgrind & Purify
- Symbolic Execution

Static Algorithms Prove absence of bugs

- Symbolic Execution
- Java Path Finder
- Static Analysis
- Hoare Logic
- Abstraction and refinement: Microsoft's SLAM