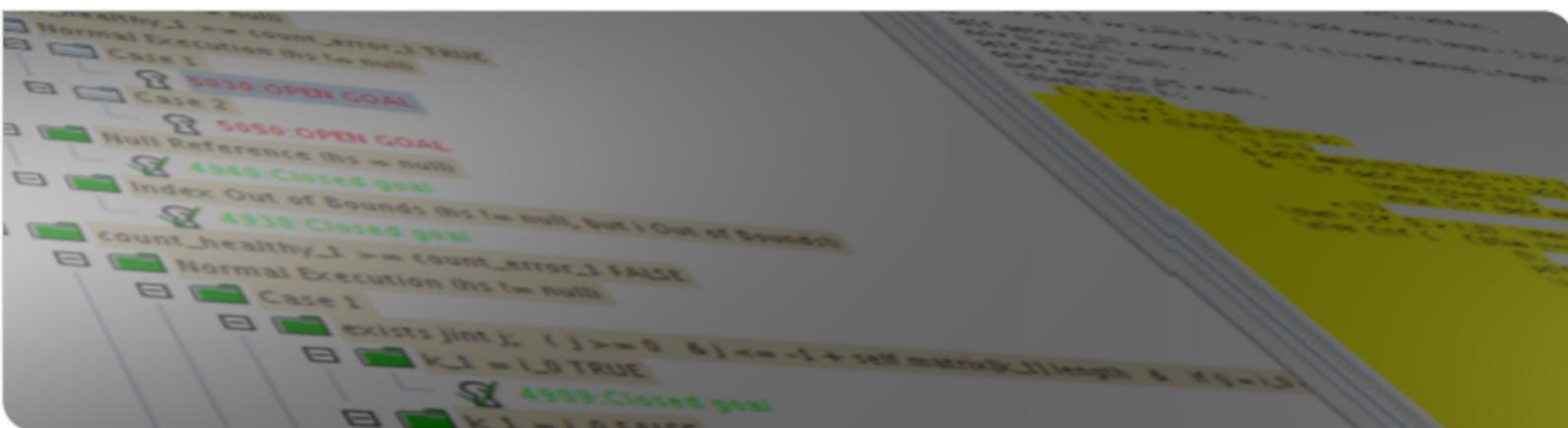


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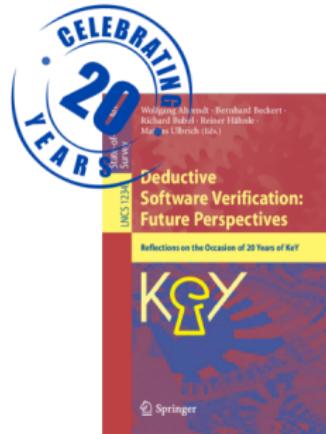




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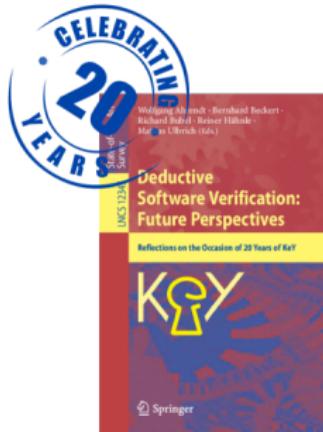
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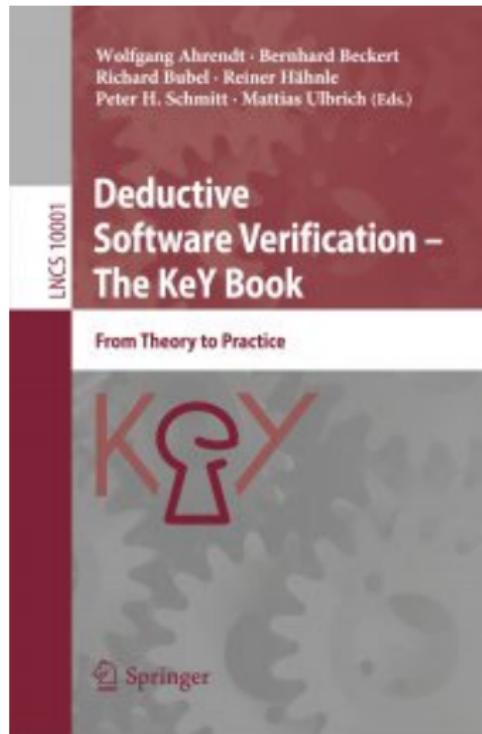
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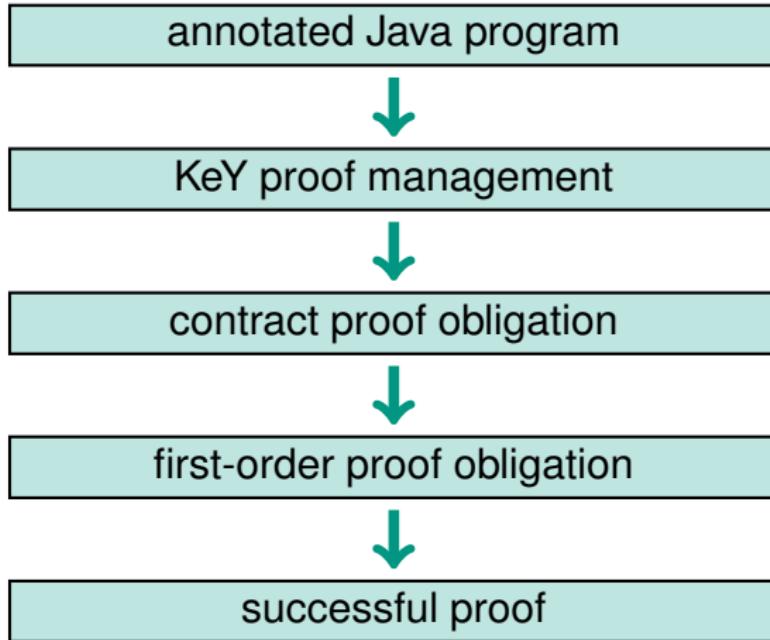
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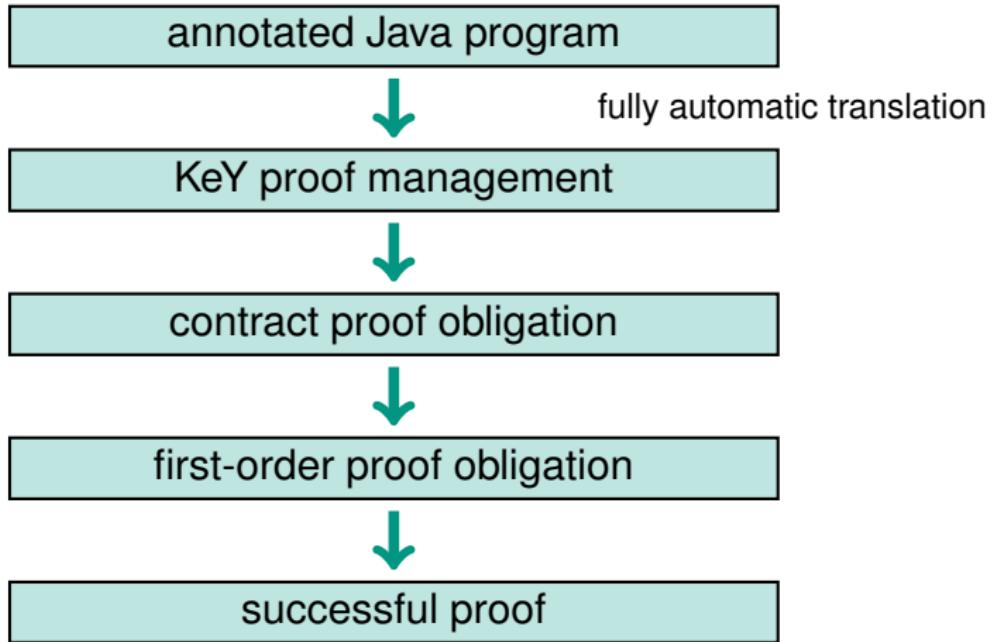
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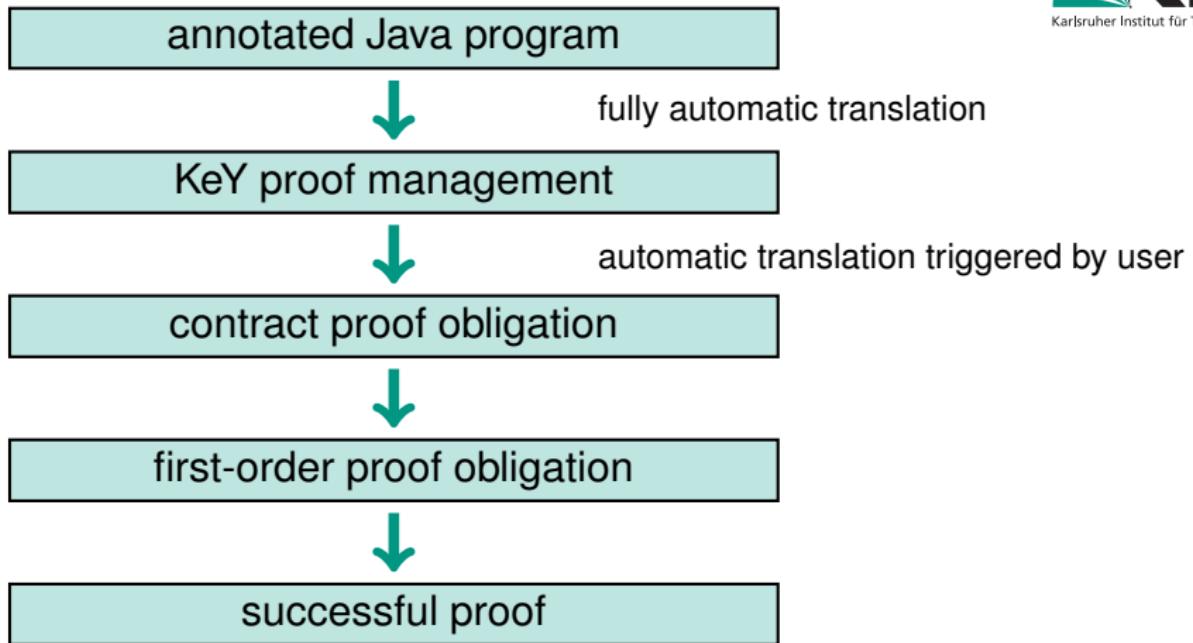
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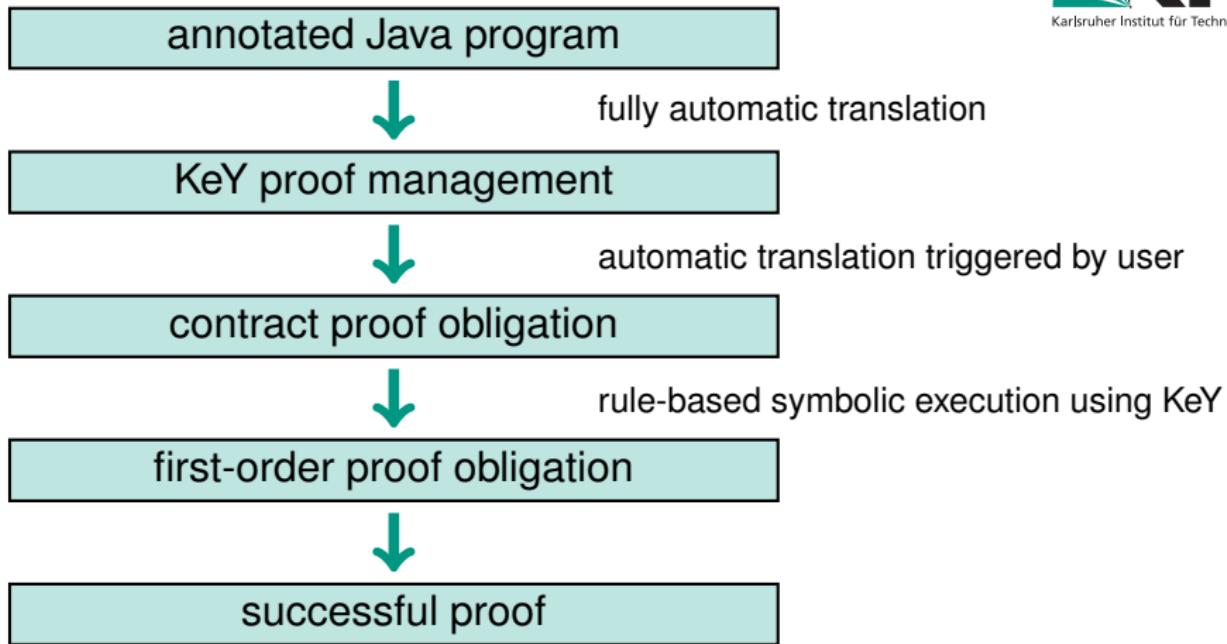
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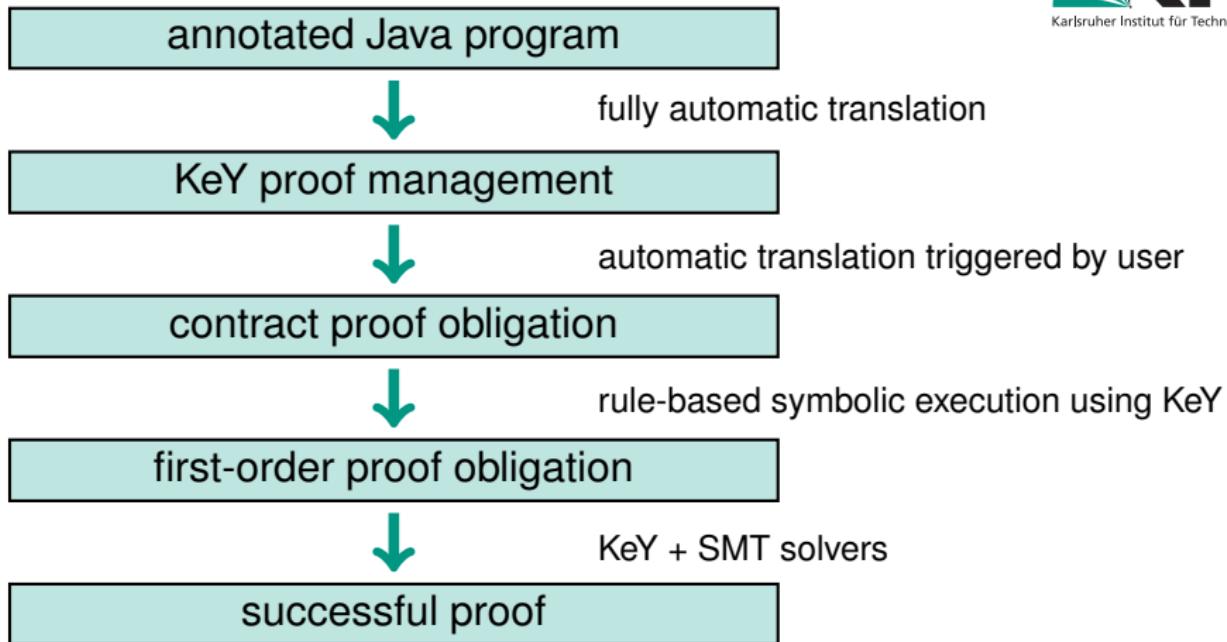
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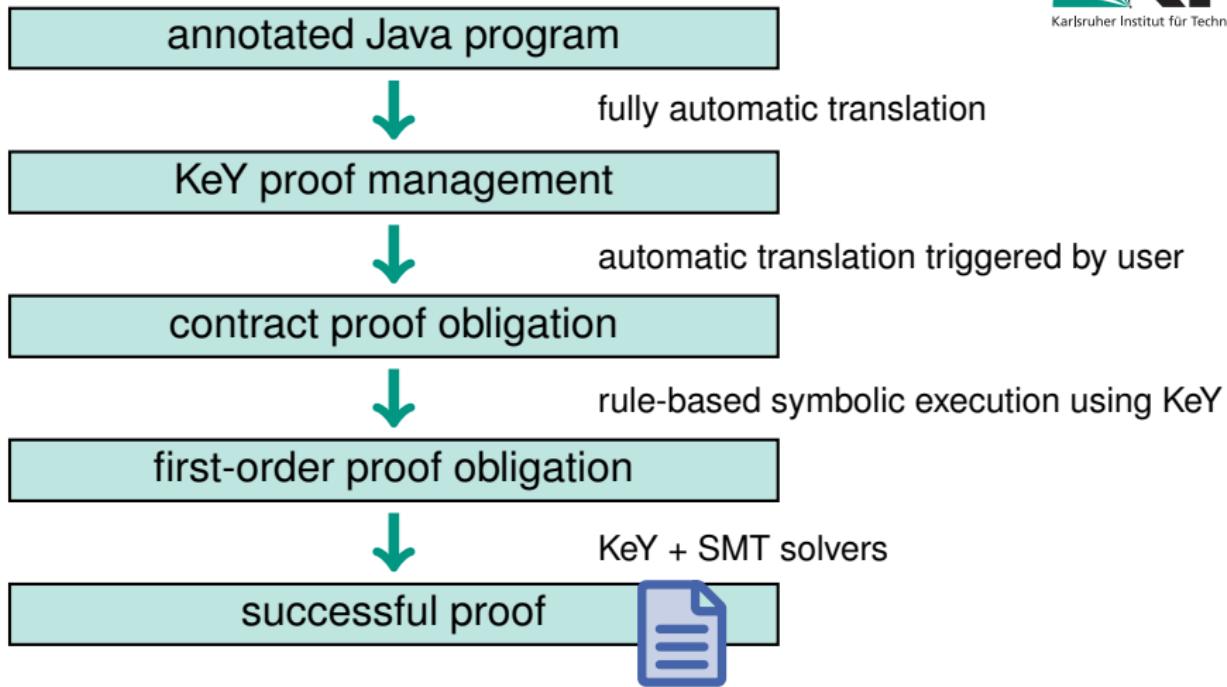
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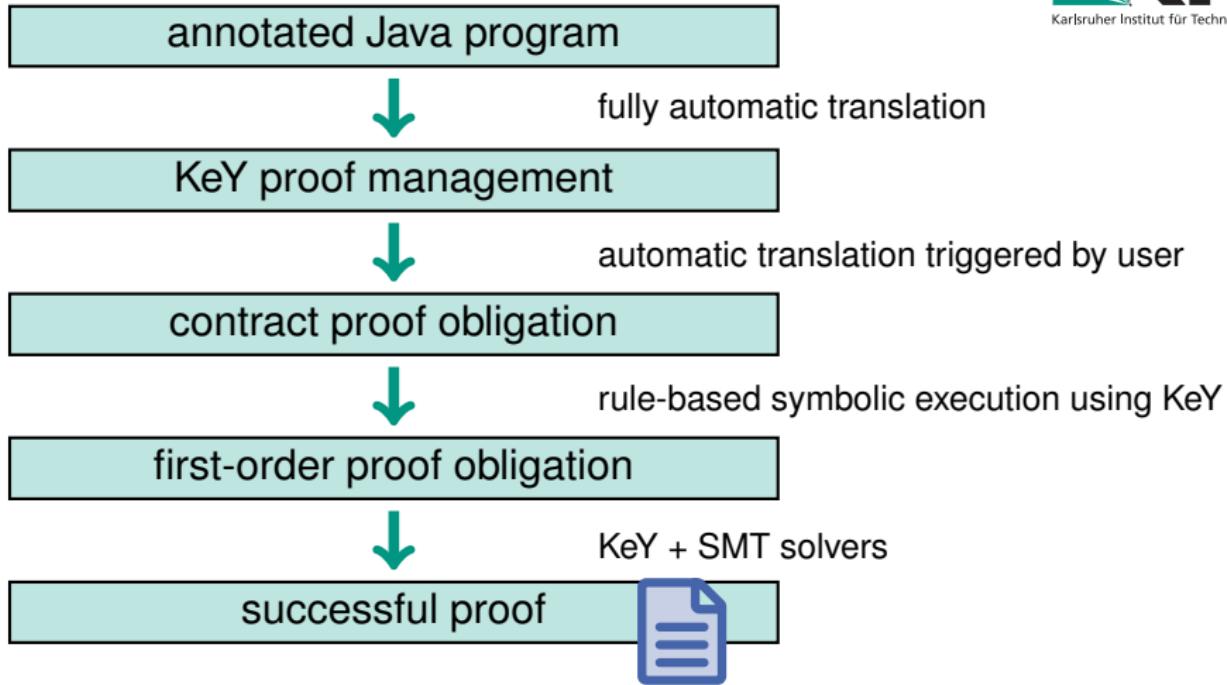


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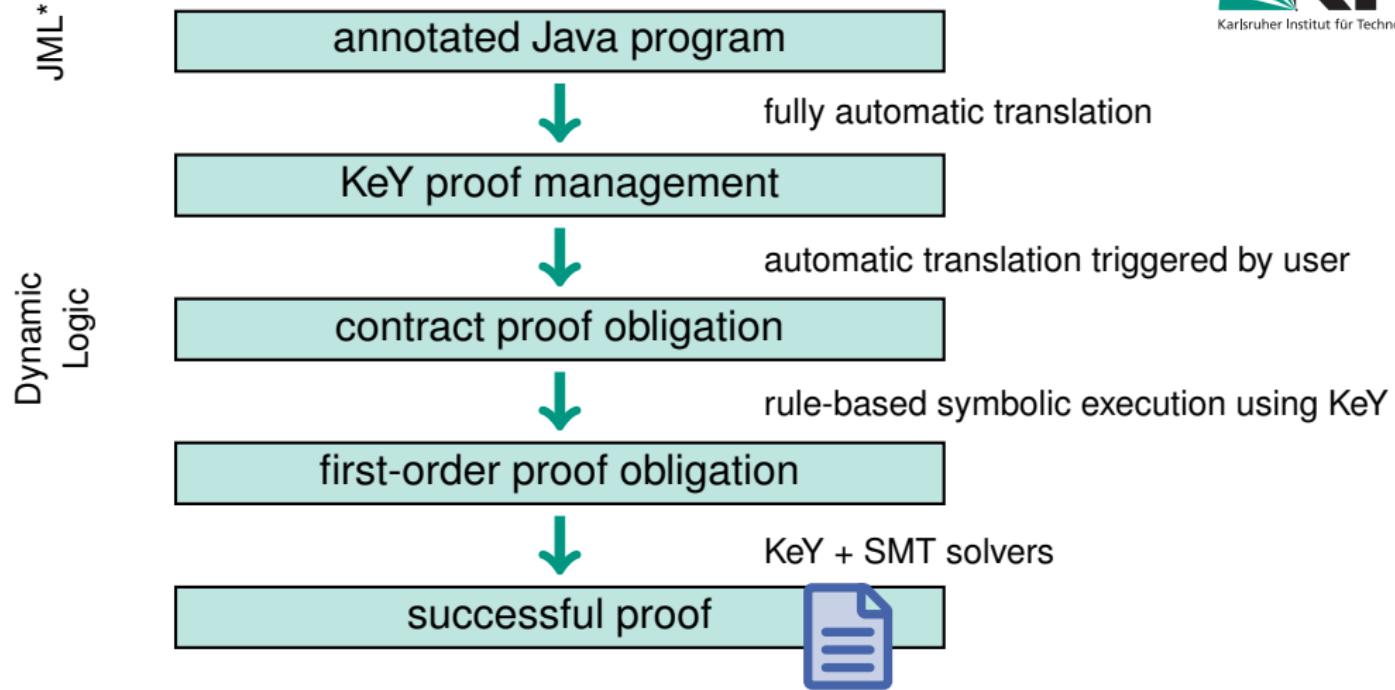


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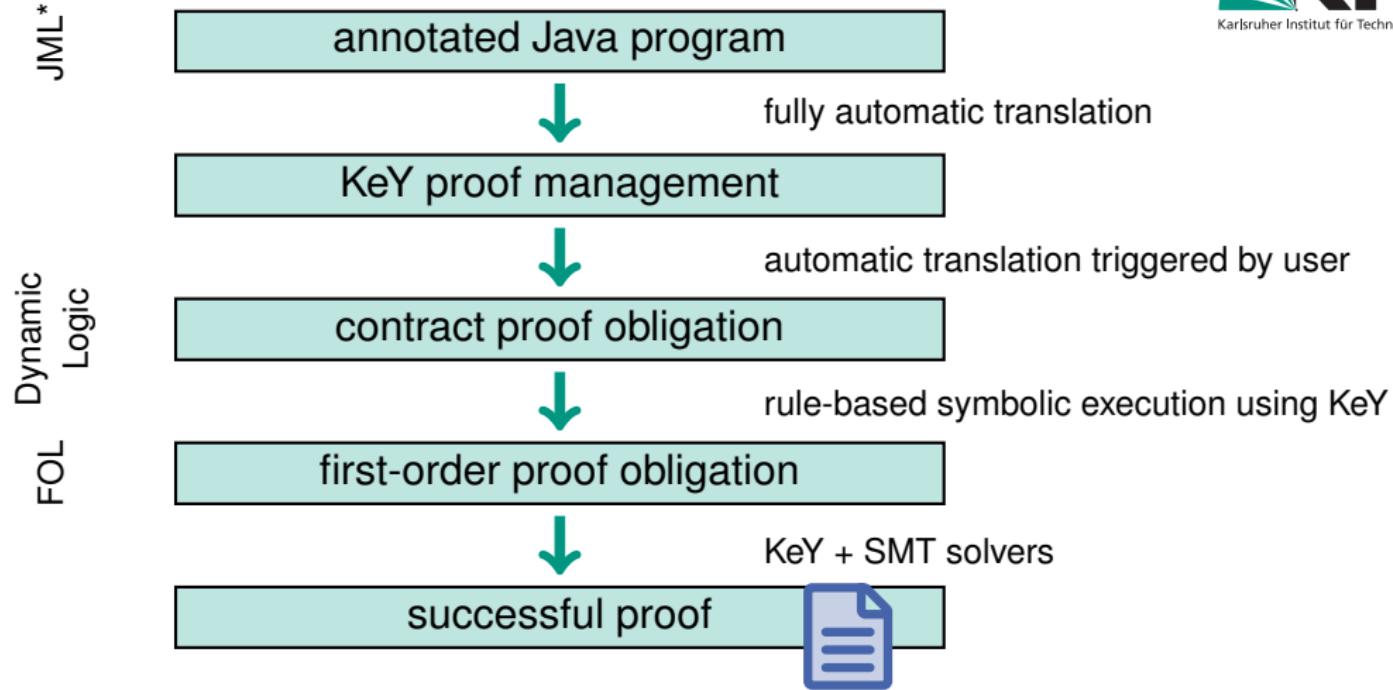
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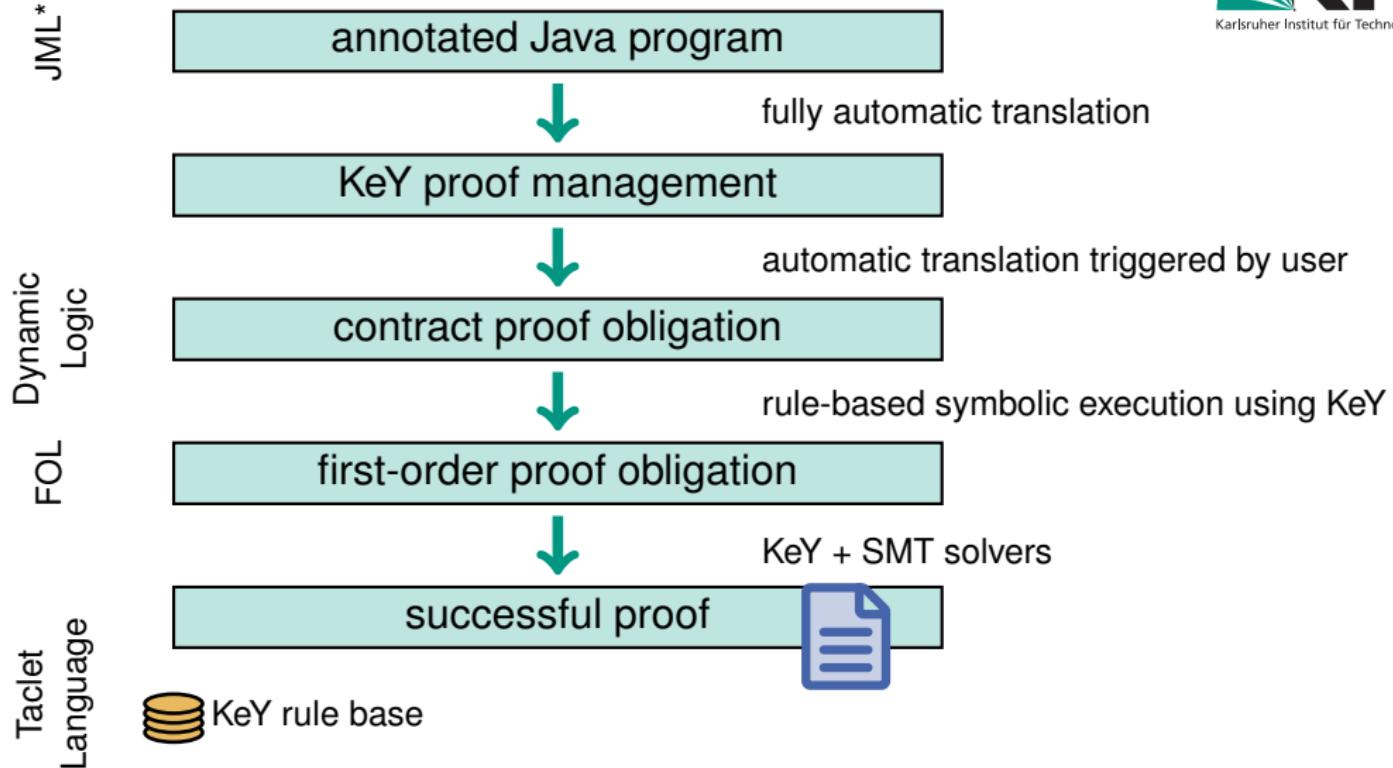
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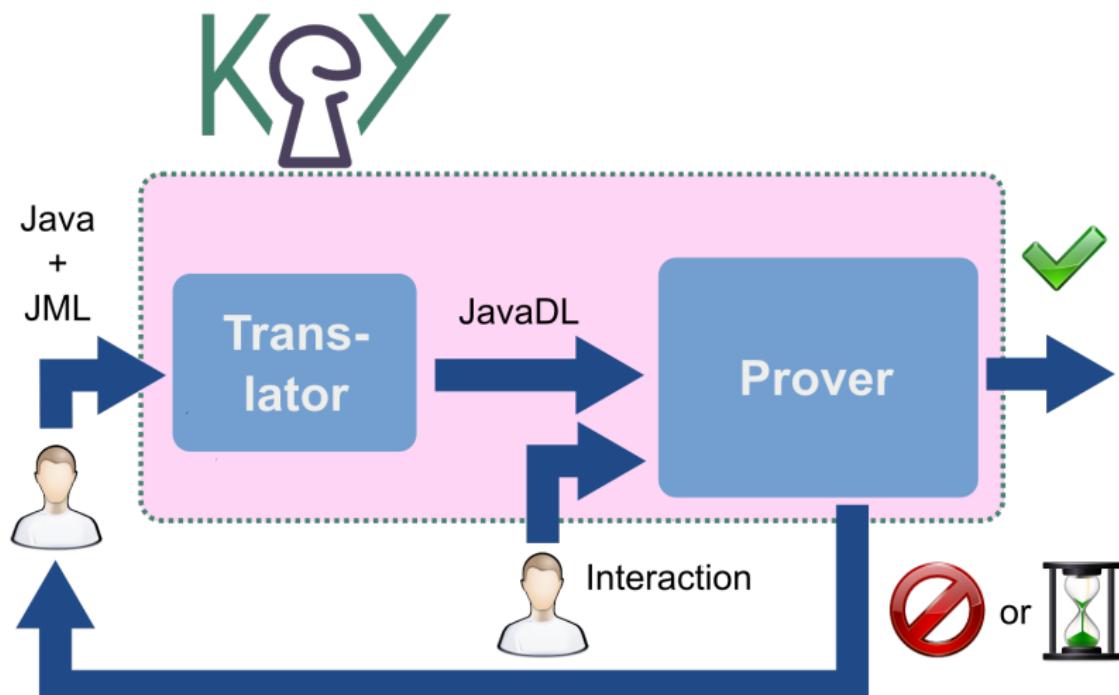
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Verification of fixed version with KeY

- Proof: JDK code with bug fix does not throw an exception
- 2,200,000 rule applications – 99.8 % automatic

The Java Modeling Language

JML

- JML independent of KeY.
- There is a JML community on its own.
- Main person: Gary Leavens (UCF Orlando)
- KeY is one tool amongst others, in particular OpenJML (David Cok)
- Influenced other specification languages, e.g., ACSL

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/*@ loop_invariant 0 <= i && i < a.length;
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 @           0 <= k && k < i; a[k] == k);
 @ decreases a.length - i;
 @ assignable a[*];
 @*/
for(int i = 0; i < a.length; i++) {
    a[i] = i;
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```

Three specification items

- Loop invariant(s) **loop_invariant**
(must hold before and after every loop iteration)
- Loop variant **decreases**
- A loop frame **assignable**

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/*@ loop_invariant
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```

do {
 [...]
} while (a[++left] >= a[left - 1]);

 for (int k = left; ++left <= right; k = ++left) {
 [...]
 }

Java allows more than we'd wish for.

Find invariants for these loops:

variant
every loop

(taken verbatim from `java.util.DualPivotQuicksort`, openjdk-7)

Proving JDK's Dual Pivot Quicksort Correct [Beckert et al. VSTEE 2017]

JML extends Java

Any side-effect-free Java expression is also a JML expression.

JML expressions

- $A \implies B$... logical implication
- $A \iff B$... logical equivalence
- $\text{\old{.}}$... value at method start

Quantifiers

- **always** in parentheses
- mostly used with integers
- allowed to quantify over all types, not only integer
(which raises questions on the domain of all objects ...)
- generalisations exist: \sum , \count , etc.

$(\exists \text{int } x; x/2 == x/4)$

$(\forall \text{int } i,j; 0 \leq j \& i < j \& j < a.\text{length}; a[i] < a[j])$

$(\sum \text{int } i; 0 \leq i \& i < a.\text{length}; a[i])$

Java Dynamic Logic

JavaDL

- Dynamic Logic proposed late 70s/early 80s
- Pratt, Vaughan, Fisher, Ladner
- Harel has good theory

Dynamic Logic

- Basis: Typed first-order logic
 - Modal logic
 - Programs constitute the modalities.
 - Class declarations remain in background

$[p]\varphi$: If p terminates, then φ holds in the final state (partial)
 $\langle p \rangle \varphi$: p terminates and φ holds in the final state (total)

Other Program Logics

$$\psi \rightarrow [p]\varphi \quad \text{DL} \iff \quad \{\psi\} p \{\varphi\} \quad \text{Hoare calculus} \iff \quad \psi \rightarrow wlp(p, \varphi) \quad \text{weakest (liberal) precondition}$$

(mostly)

The Calculus

- Sequent calculus (Gentzen-style calculus)
- Sequent is of the shape

$$\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n \implies \delta_1, \dots, \delta_m$$

(meaning $\bigwedge \gamma_i \rightarrow \bigvee \delta_i$)

- Rules are of the form

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \implies \Delta_1 \quad \dots \quad \Gamma_n \implies \Delta_n}{\Gamma \implies \Delta}$$

- Rules are applied from bottom to top:

"If I have to show the conclusion, I can instead show the premisses."

Sample FOL rules

$$\begin{array}{c} \frac{a, b \implies}{a \wedge b \implies} \\[10pt] \frac{\implies a \quad \implies b}{\implies a \wedge b} \\[10pt] \frac{\implies \varphi[x/c]}{\implies \forall x.\varphi} \end{array}$$

for a fresh constant c

The Calculus: Symbolic Execution

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and many, many more rules

about 200 rules for symbolic execution
over 1500 rules in total

$$\text{simpleInv} \frac{\begin{array}{c} \implies \text{inv} \\ \implies \mathcal{A}_{\text{heap}} \mathcal{A}_{\text{local}} ((\text{inv} \wedge \text{se} \doteq \text{TRUE}) \rightarrow [p_{\text{norm}}] \text{inv}) \\ \implies \mathcal{A}_{\text{heap}} \mathcal{A}_{\text{local}} ((\text{inv} \wedge \text{se} \doteq \text{FALSE}) \rightarrow [\pi \omega] \varphi) \end{array}}{\implies [\pi \text{while}(\text{se}) \{ p_{\text{norm}} \} \omega] \varphi}$$

where

- se is a simple expression and p_{norm} cannot terminate abruptly;
- $(\text{inv}, \text{mod}, \text{term})$ is a loop specification for the loop to which the rule is applied;
- $\mathcal{A}_{\text{heap}} = \{\text{heap} := c_h\}$ anonymizes the heap; $c_h : \text{Heap}$ is a fresh constant;
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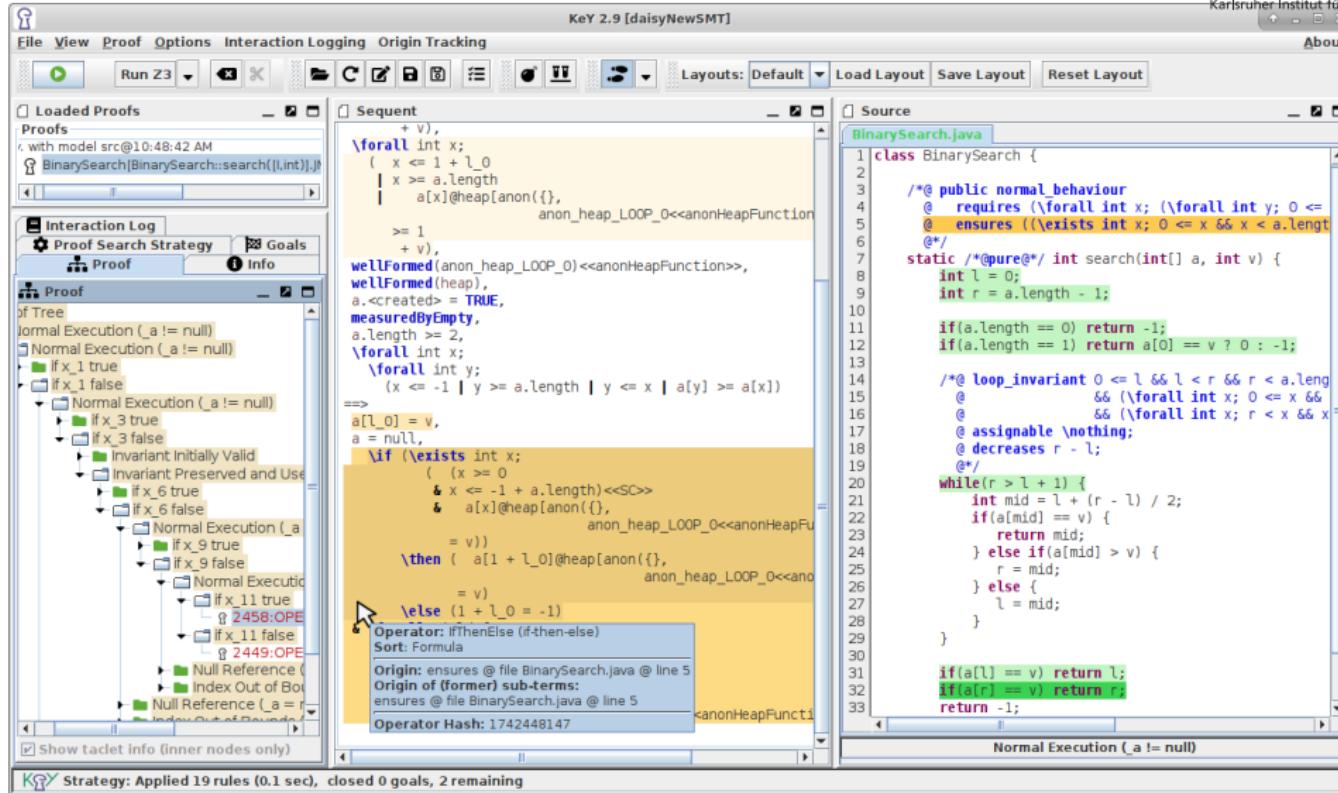
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Demo



The screenshot shows the KeY 2.9 proof assistant interface with the following components:

- File View Proof Options Interaction Logging Origin Tracking**: The top menu bar.
- Run Z3**: A button in the toolbar.
- Loaded Proofs**: A tree view of loaded proofs, showing a proof for `BinarySearch::search([l,int],int)`.
- Interaction Log**: A tree view of the interaction log, showing a proof for `Tree` with various execution branches.
- Proof**: A detailed tree view of the current proof state, showing a `Sequent` with formulas involving `\forall`, `\exists`, and heap operations like `anon_heap_LOOP_0`.
- Source**: A code editor showing the Java source code for `BinarySearch.java`. The code implements a search algorithm with annotations for preconditions, postconditions, and loop invariants.

The proof state in the center shows a sequent with the following formula:

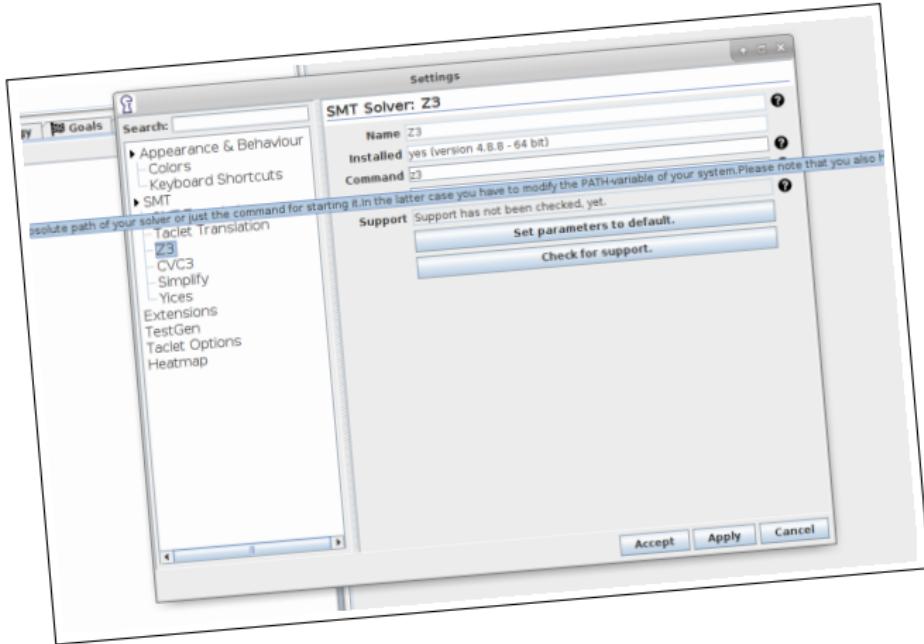
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  >= 1
  + v),
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  wellFormed(heap),
  a.<created> = TRUE,
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  \forall int x;
    \forall int y;
      (x <= -1 | y >= a.length | y <= x | a[y] >= a[x])
==>
a[l_0] = v,
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\operatorname{IfThenElse} (\operatorname{if-then-else})
\operatorname{Sort} Formula
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The proof state also includes an "Origin" section and an "Operator Hash".

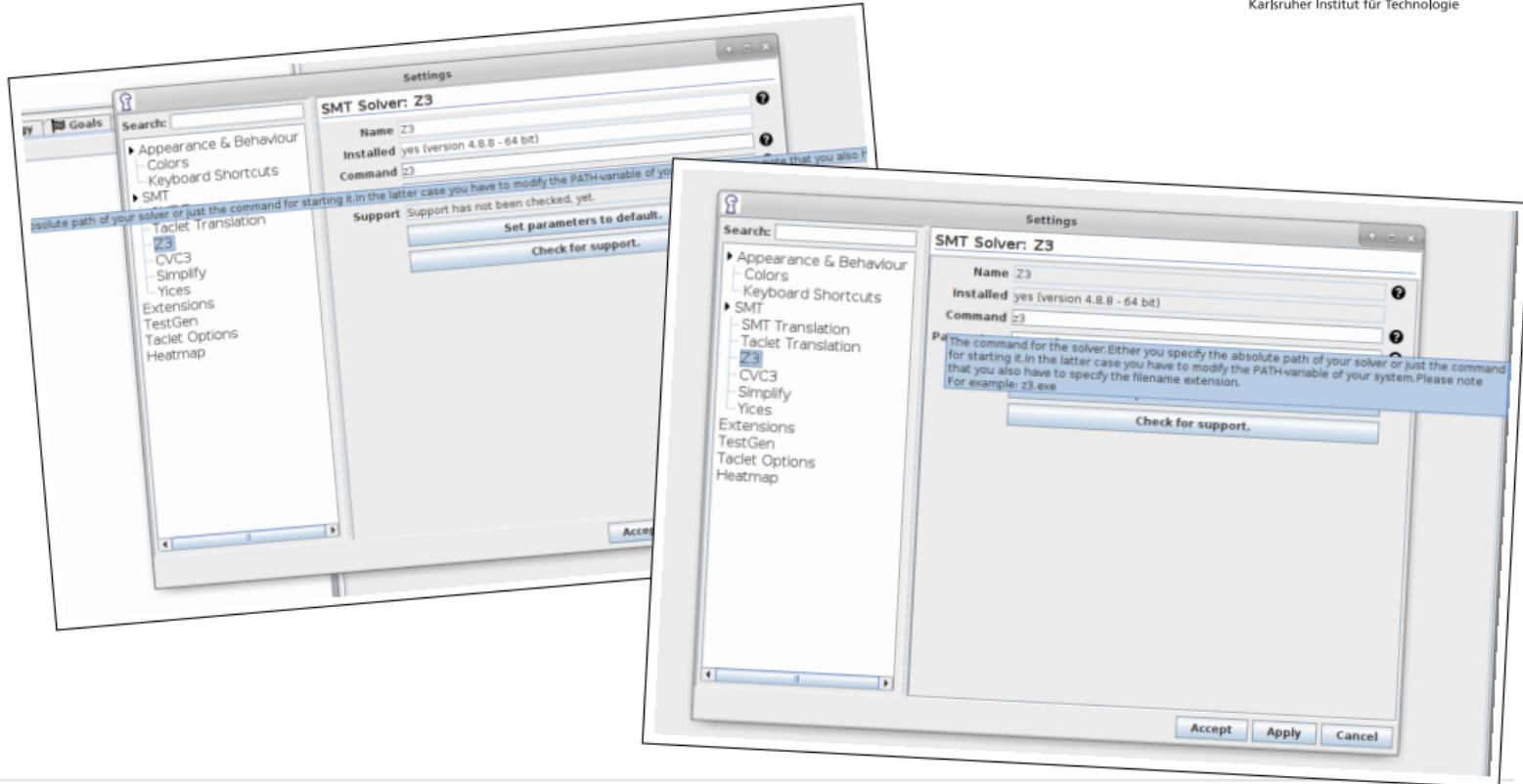
Cheat Sheet

- ➊ KeY usually loads **all** .java files in a directory and all subdirectories.
- ➋ Good workflow:
 - Load proof obligation
 - Right click on \Rightarrow .
 - Choose the “Full Auto Pilot” Macro
 - Inspect unclosed goals.
 - When hoping for a closed goal apply macro “Try close goals below”.
- ➌ “Hide Intermediate ProofSteps”, “Expand Goals Only” from context menu in proof make that a lot more readable.
- ➍ Prefer `\strictly_nothing` over `\nothing`
- ➎ The origin of a formula is highlighted when hovering (orange)
- ➏ Symbolic execution trace is highlighted (green)
- ➐ The challenges should work without help of an smt solver

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