Model-based Testing
Theory and Application

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Point of departure

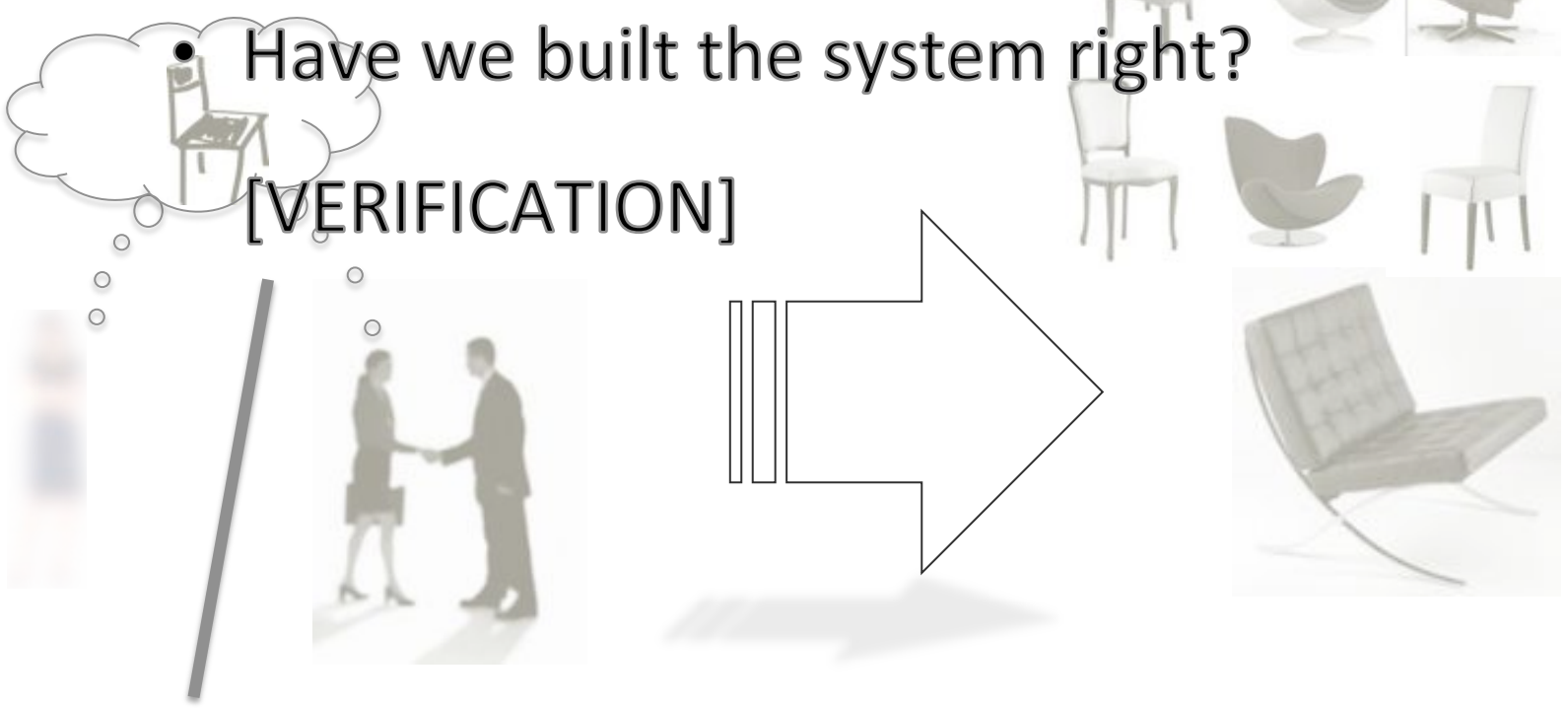
Open questions

- Have we built the right system?

  [VALIDATION]

- Have we built the system right?

  [VERIFICATION]



V&V activities

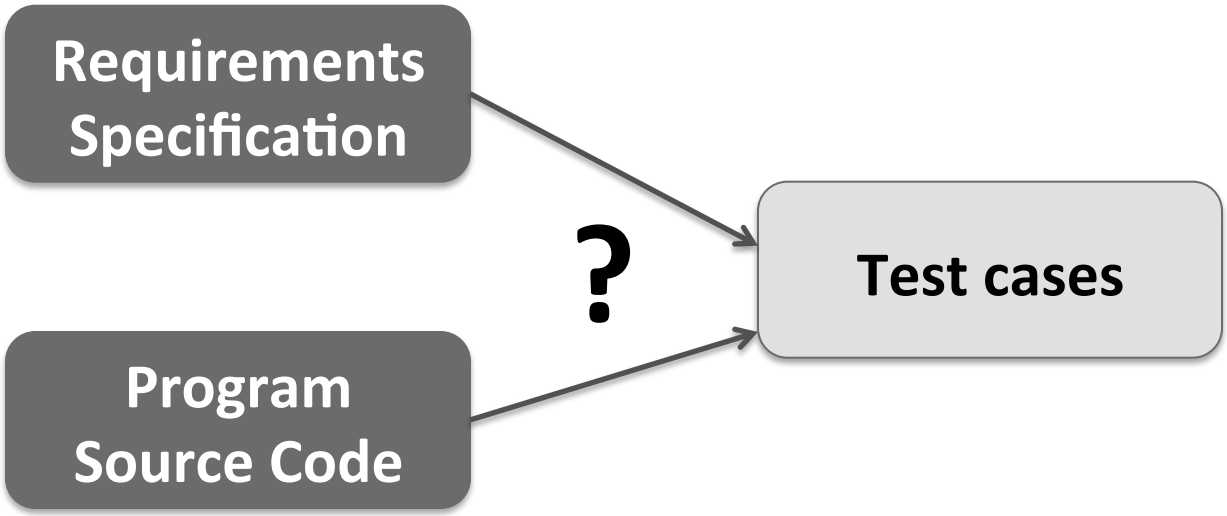
- Check correctness and expectations!
  - Formal *verification*
  - **Testing**
    (for verification and validation)

Testing framework

- Requirements
- Specification
- Source code
- Tests are characterized by:
  - Input values
  - Expected output values
- Test suite = set of tests
- Program is “correct” iff all tests are fulfilled!

Test characterization

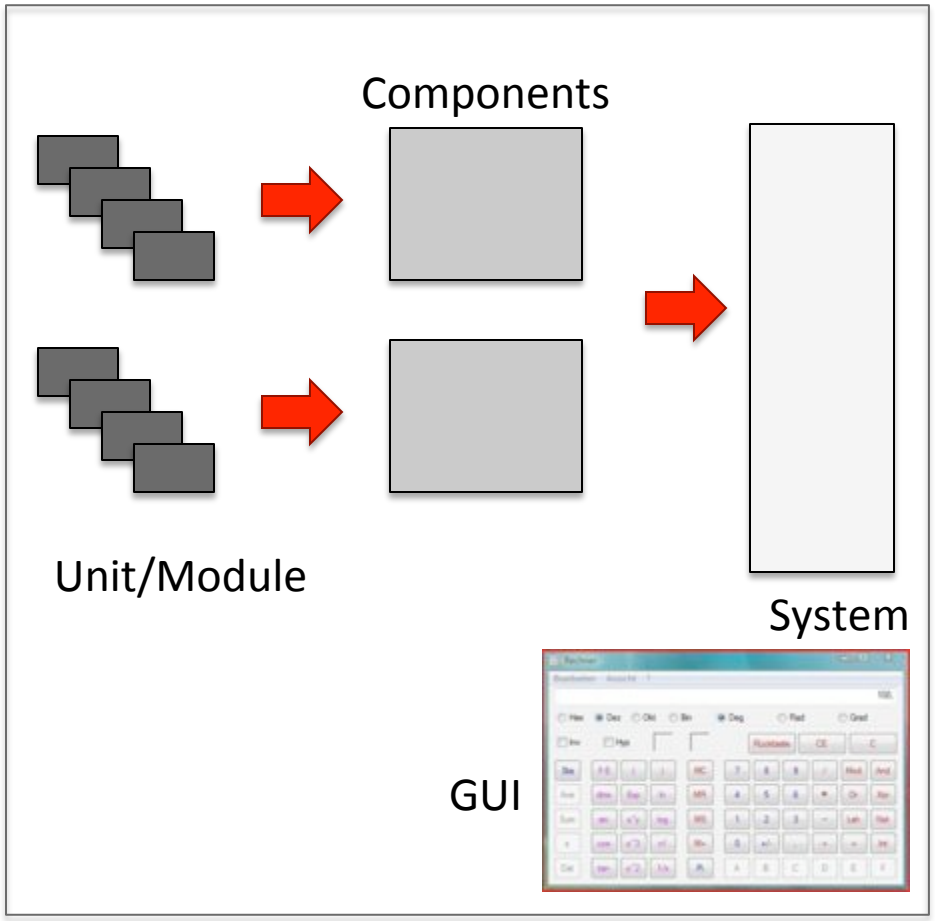
- *Which information is available?*
  - **Black-box** vs. **White-box** testing



  - **Examples**: Model-based testing, Equivalence-based methods, Combinatorial testing, Coverage-based methods, Random-Testing (Monkey Testing, Fuzz Testing,..)

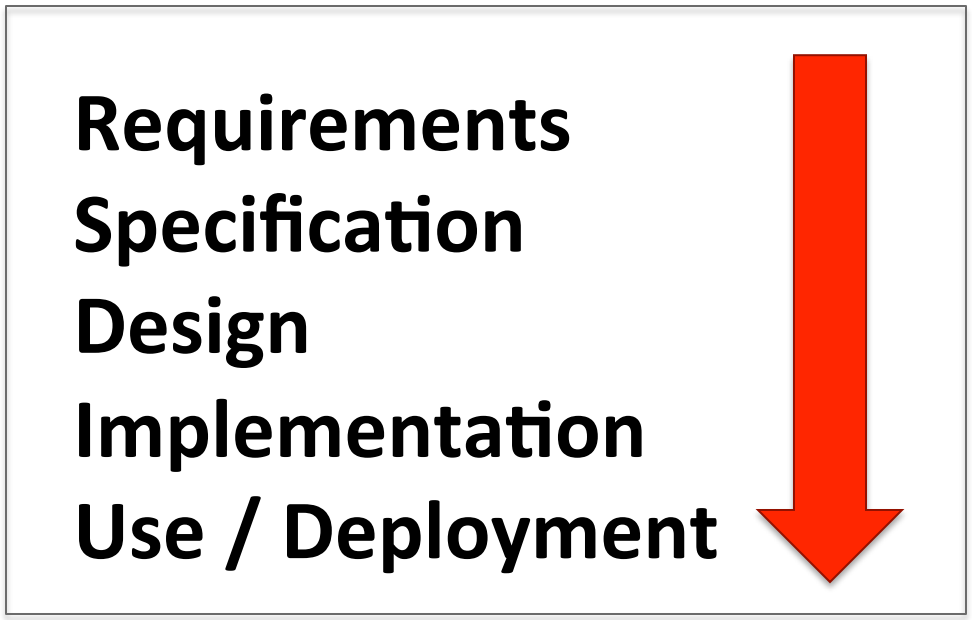
Testing – a program-centric view

- Which part of the program to be tested?
  - Unit-Tests
  - Component tests
  - Integration tests
  - System tests
  - User-interface Testing



Testing – a process-oriented view

- At which part of the development process testing is done?
  - Verification (Unit-Tests, regressions tests,…)
  - Validation



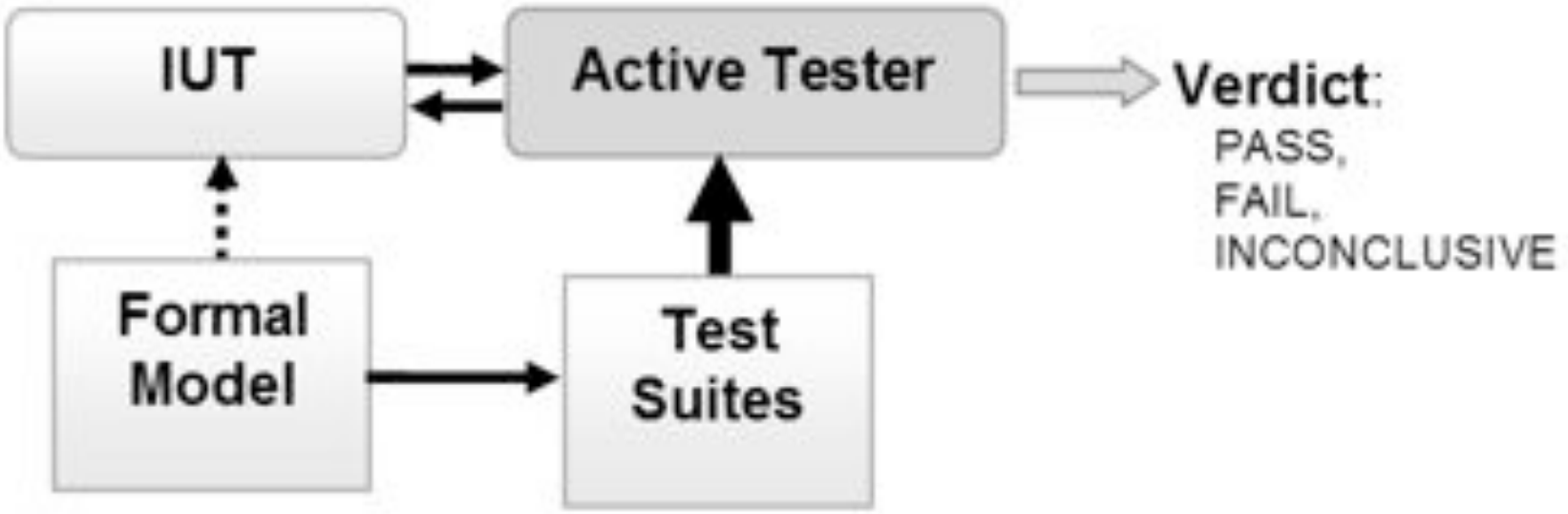
What should I test?

- Functionality
- Robustness
- Usability

Test automation

- 2 Levels:
  - Automated test case generation
    - From models or the source code (Oracle problem)
  - Automated test execution (e.g. JUnit)
    - Challenges because of different interfaces (Web, different OS platforms, databases, GUIs,…)
    - Hardware In the Loop (HIL) testing

Model-based testing



Model?

Finite automata

Qualitative models

Constraints

UML diagrams

startApplication | numa

MouseClick(N*4) |
num = num * 4

State	Propertie
0	-
1	*TextfieldP*
2	*NotIsHung*
3	*TextfieldP*
4	*WindowC*

1. o
2. e

3. …

Test case generation

- Directly from the model
  - Equation solving (constraints)
  - Traversing a graph
  - Combination of solving and graph traversal

- Feasible (at least for smaller models)
- Orthogonal to manual testing
- Focus (but not necessarily) system testing

TWO CASE STUDIES

GUI Savvy End-to-End Testing with Smart Monkeys

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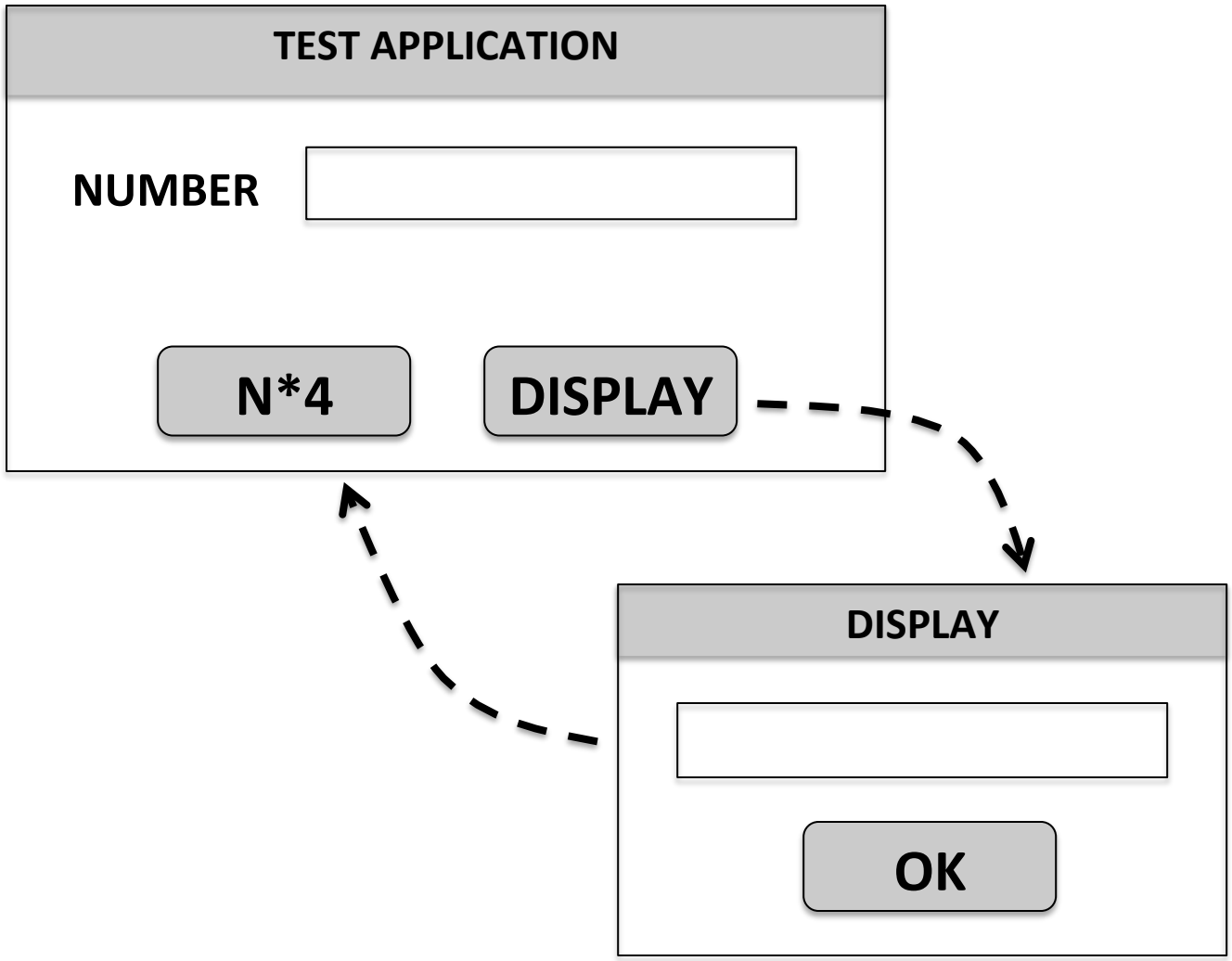
Example



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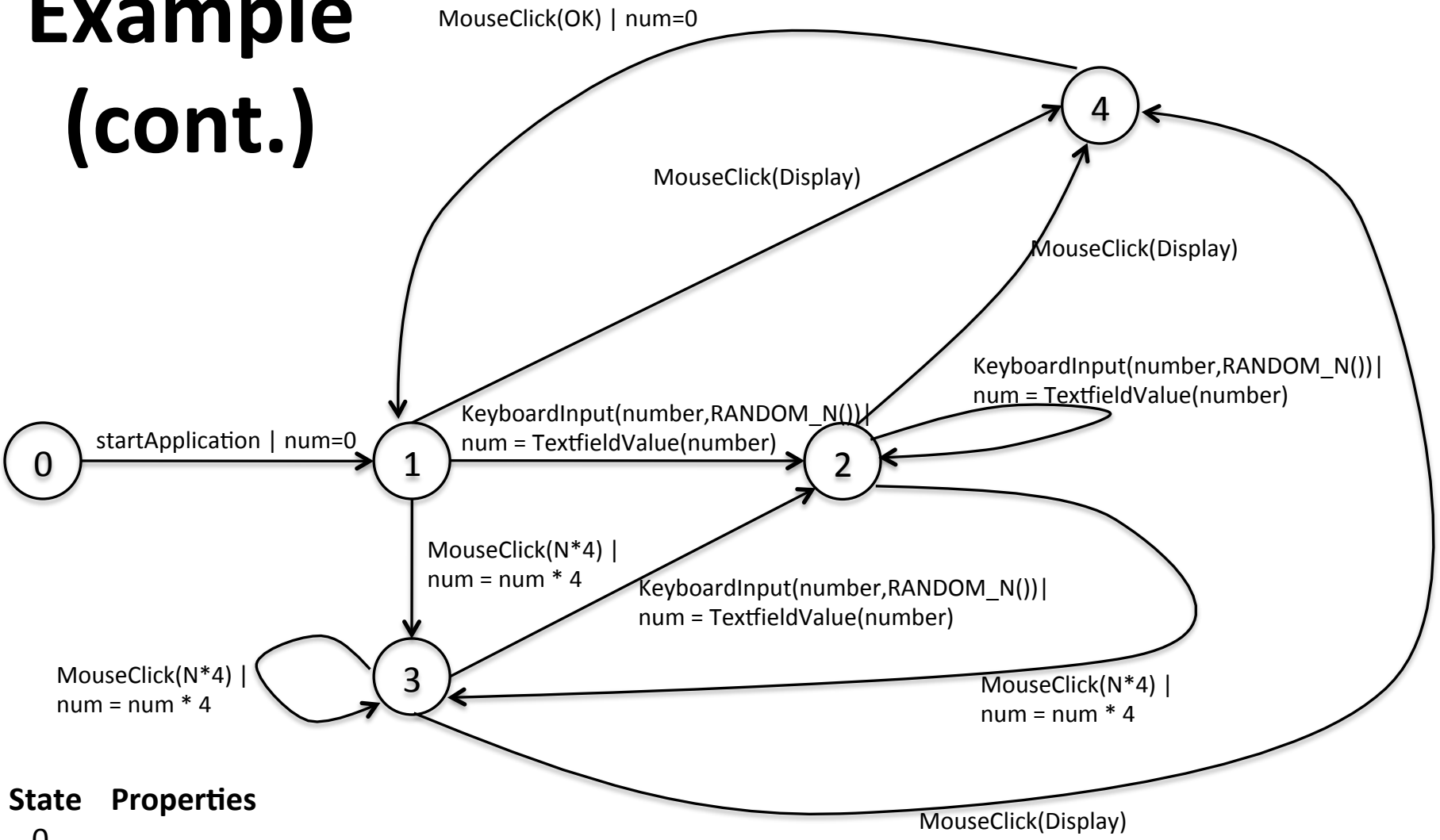


State	Properties
0	-
1	*TextfieldProperty(number, 0) ∧ NotIsHungProperty()*
2	*NotIsHungProperty()*
3	*TextfieldProperty(number,num) ∧ NotIsHungProperty()*
4	*WindowCaptionProperty(DISPLAY) ∧ NotIsHungProperty()*

Windows Calculator Case

Found faults

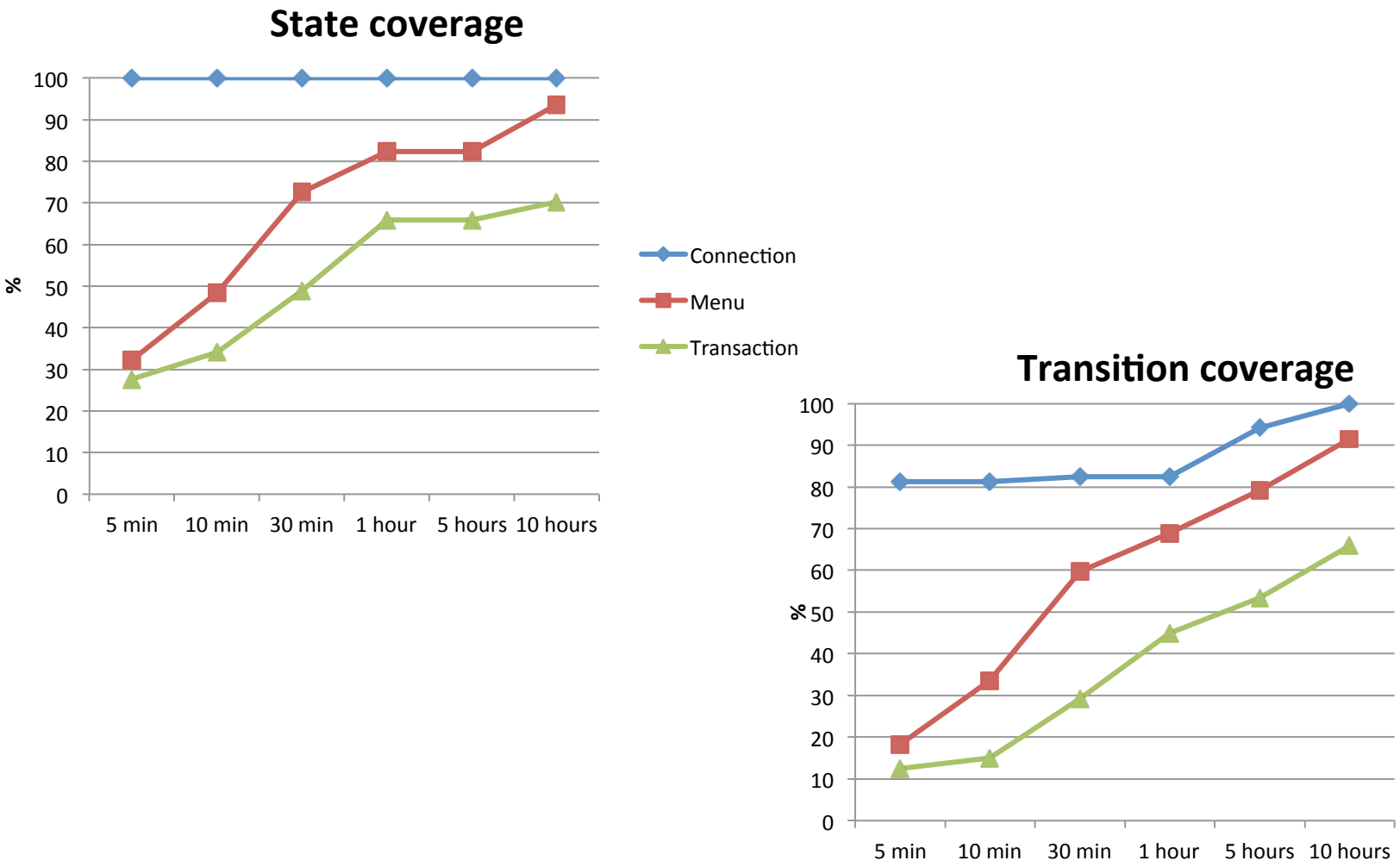
- Event sequenz 1st fault:
  - The monkey produces a division by zero (e.g. *65 / 0*),
  - then it opens the menu item *?/Help*.
  - The value in the text field changes from the error message *'Division by 0 not possible'* to a number.

- Event sequence 2nd fault:
  - The monkey produces a division by zero,
  - then it opens the menu item *?/Info*.
  - The info menu does not appear

FileZilla Case

- Open Source FTP client (www.filezilla.de)
- 3 Models:
  - Connecting to server (quickconnect bar)
  - Test of menu items (offline test)
  - File operations (transfer, delete,…)
- Models have in sum 113 states and 301 transitions

Model coverage



Code coverage

- **Function coverage**
  - Up to 55 % after 1 hour of testing
- **Condition coverage**
  - Up to 26 % after 10 hours of testing
- **Reasons / Explanations**:
  - Models do not cover the whole functionality
  - Not all GUI elements used in models
  - Not all parts of the code can be tested using the GUI

Fault detection capabilities

- 3 faults introduced in original source code
- All faults found (after 10 hours)
- On average 30 minutes to detect a fault

Coverage Based Testing with Test Purposes

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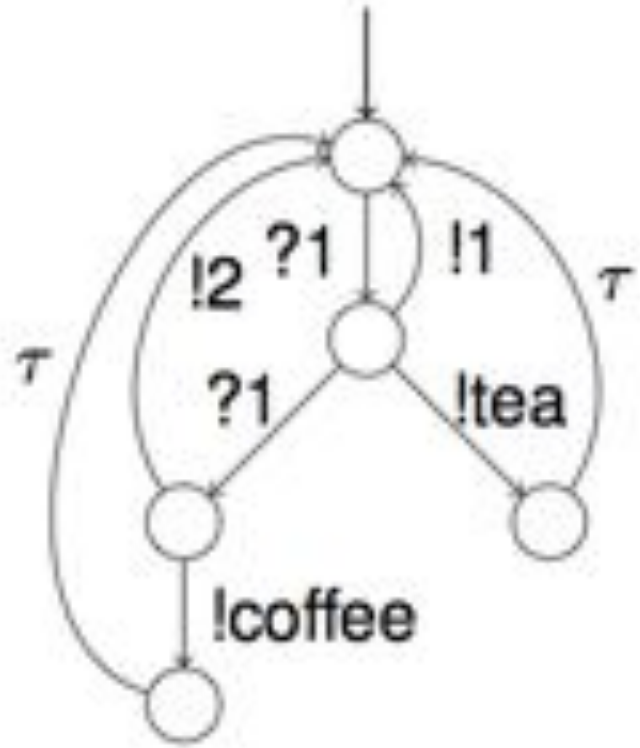
LTS Model

- Labeled Transition Systems (LTS)



Test case generation

- Test purpose based
- Traversing the model
- Result: Sequence of inputs and outputs

- Case study SIP registrar (VoIP telephony)

Results test generation

C.	No. TP	Regular ok	Regular ∞	Regular time	Minimized ok	Minimized cov	Minimized ∞	Minimized time
A	27	25	2	2h49m	10	15	2	2h37m
D	78	72	6	8h28m	10	62	6	3h11m
C	98	94	4	11h13m	12	82	4	3h26m
CD	176	166	10	19h39m	12	154	10	4h30m
Σ	**379**	**357**	**22**	**42h9m**	**44**	**313**	**22**	**13h44m**

C.	OpenSER				commercial			
	✓	✗	?	↯	✓	✗	?	↯
A	40	1	9	1	27	15	8	2
D	100	16	28	3	72	44	28	3
C	124	25	39	3	86	65	37	3
CD	224	41	67	3	158	109	65	3
Σ	**488**	**83**	**143**	**3**	**343**	**233**	**138**	**3**

C.	OpenSER				commercial			
	✓	✗	?	↯	✓	✗	?	↯
A	12	0	8	0	3	10	7	1
D	10	2	8	2	2	10	8	2
C	12	2	10	2	2	12	10	2
CD	11	2	11	2	1	13	10	2
Σ	**45**	**6**	**37**	**2**	**8**	**45**	**35**	**2**

WHAT'S ABOUT SECURITY TESTING?

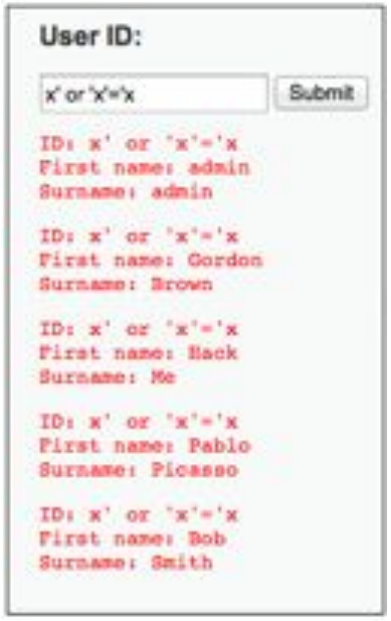
Applications to security testing

- Test case generation based on models of attack patterns!

- **Literature**:
  - Franz Wotawa, *Trust but Verify*, In Proc. ASQT 2012.
  - Josip Bozic and Franz Wotawa*, XSS Pattern for Attack Modeling in Testing*, In Proc. Automation of Software Test (AST), 2013.
  - Josip Bozic and Franz Wotawa, Security Testing Based on Attack Patterns, In Proc. 5th Intl. Workshop on Security Testing (SECTEST), 2014.
  - Josip Bozic, Dimitris E. Simos, and Franz Wotawa*, Attack Pattern-Based Combinatorial Testing* , In Proc. Automation of Software Test (AST), 2014.

Vulnerability Detection

SQLI: x' OR 'x'='x



>Success!

```
<pre>ID: x' or 'x'='x<br>First name: admin<br>Surname: admin</pre><pre>ID: x' or
'x'='x<br>First name: Gordon<br>Surname: Brown</pre><pre>ID: x' or 'x'='x<br>First name:
Hack<br>Surname: Me</pre><pre>ID: x' or 'x'='x<br>First name: Pablo<br>Surname:
Picasso</pre><pre>ID: x' or 'x'='x<br>First name: Bob<br>Surname: Smith</pre>
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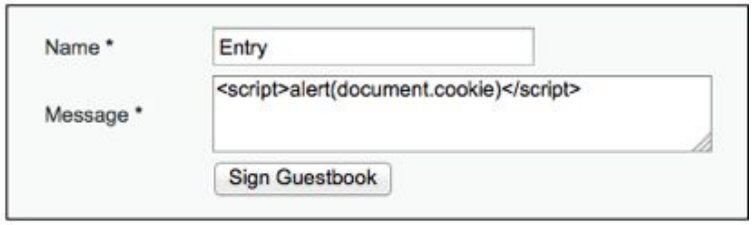
Vulnerability Detection

XSS: `<script>alert(document.cookie)</script>`

reflected

stored



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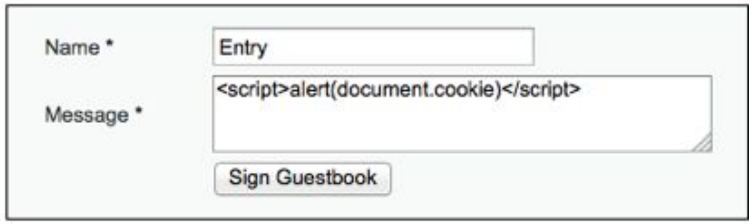

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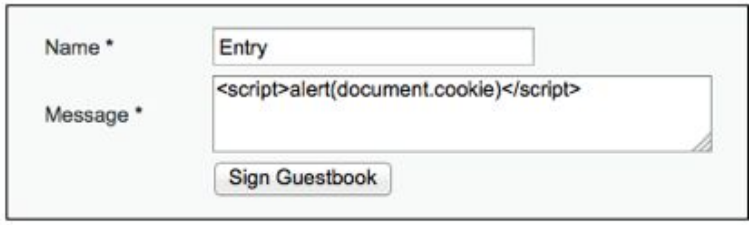


> Success!

```
<pre>Hello <script>alert(document.cookie)</script></pre>
```

Vulnerability Detection

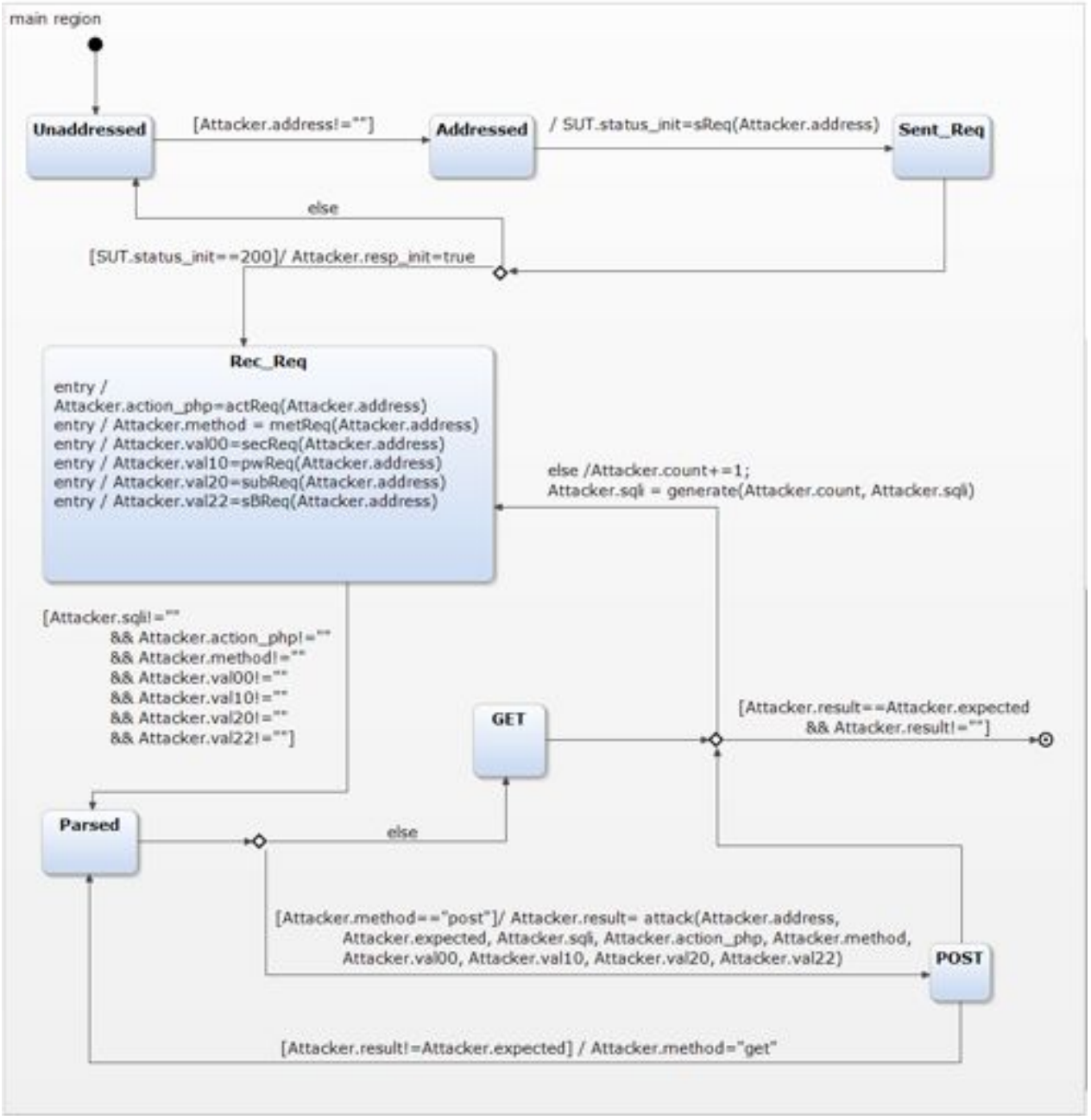
XSS: <script>alert(document.cookie)</script>

reflected

stored

> Failure!

```
<pre>Hello &lt;script&gt;alert(document.cookie)&lt;/script&gt;</pre>
```



Model-based security testing

Evaluation

- Five applications: NOWASP (Mutillidae) [8], Damn Vulnerable Web App (DVWA) [9], BodgeIt [10], Wordpress [11] and Anchor CMS [12].
- First three contain several security levels with every one having more sophisticated filtering mechanisms.
- Other programs are tested only for the second type of XSS because these are blog software, where posts are stored inside a database.
- All applications have been deployed on an Apache Server and comprise a MySQL database.
- Collection of 33 custom SQLI and 107 XSS input strings.

Evaluation

Application	Type of vulnerability	Security Level	Average execution time (s)	# of successful injections	% coverage
DVWA	SQLI	low	8.47	8	24.24
		medium	10.55	2	6.06
		high	-	-	-
	RXSS	low	23.00	15	14.02
		medium	-	-	-
	SXSS	low	26.60	15	14.02
		medium	-	-	-
Mutillidae	SQLI	low	15.69	5	15.15
		medium	17.94	5	15.15
		high	-	-	-
	RXSS	low	42.20	40	37.38
		medium	52.60	40	37.38
		high	-	-	-
	SXSS	low	53.30	17	15.89
		medium	78.10	17	15.89
		high	-	-	-
BodgeIt	SQLI	-	8.50	3	9.09
	RXSS	-	27.20	13	12.15
	SXSS	-	26.30	26	24.30
Wordpress	SXSS	-	33.5	7	6.54
Anchor	SXSS	-	30	8	7.48

Evaluation

- Both attack patterns have been slightly adapted.
- Wordpress was tested while our application was authenticated so all inputs were submitted after that step.
- Anchor CMS is similar to Wordpress with the difference that all posts have to be approved by the administrator.
- It was impossible to detect vulnerability on the hardest security level of the first three apps, which means that a more sophisticated test case generation strategy has to be adapted for this purpose.
- In Mutillidae, HttpClient enables communication on medium and hard level.

What's next?

- Modeling of attacker

- Idea:
  - attack = sequence of actions = plan
  - use A.I. planning for attack generation
  - more flexible

Conclusion

- Model-based testing finds faults that have been previously undetected (using manual tests)
- Completely automated generation
- Requires model (+ test purposes)
- Complementary to manual testing
- Can be used for security testing too!

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