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#### **SPARK Update – Ada Europe 2012**

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• Trusted by manufacturers, suppliers, operators and regulators alike

# **SPARK Background**



- What is SPARK?...
  - Programming language
  - Static verification toolset
- History:

#### SPARK - The SPADE Ada Kernel

An Outline of the Language

by Bernard Carré and Trevor Jennings Department of Electronics and Computer Science, University of Southampton



- 20+ years since first definition of language
- Southamption Uni, PVL, Praxis, Altran Praxis
- AdaCore Altran Praxis Partnership
- SPARK Pro
  - Language evolution
  - IDE-integration
  - Access via GNAT Tracker portal





#### **SPARK Pro – Product Update**



#### **Recent Releases - 10.0 & 10.1**

- Generics Phase 1
- Examiner dynamic tables
- Automatic selection of flow analysis level
- SPARKBridge and other improvements to proof tools
- KCG Language Profile



#### Generics

- Re-usable components that can be implemented and analysed once, but instantiated many times
- Phase 1 Generic Subprograms included in Release 10.1 (Dec 2011)
- Provides access to Ada.Unchecked\_Conversion
- Phase 2 Generic Packages scheduled for Release 11.0 (Q4 2012)
- Generics will support Ada Container Library packages in future releases



#### **Generic Subprogram - Example**

• Library-level declaration:

```
generic
   type T1 is range <>;
   type T2 is range <>;
   --# check T1 ' Last * T1 ' Last <= T2 ' Last and
   --# T1 ' First * T1 ' First <= T2 ' Last and
   --# T1 ' First * T1 ' First >= T2 ' First ;
```

function Square (X : T1) return T2; --# return R => R = T2 (X \* X);

# **Generic Subprogram (cont.)**



• An example instantiation with stronger function constraints:

```
function My_Square
--# pre X > 1;
--# return R => R = T2 (X * X) and R >= 4;
is new Square (T1 => Actual T1 , T2 => Actual T2 );
```

#### **Generic Package - Example**



generic
type T1 is private;
package Stack
# own State : Stack_Type;
# initializes State;
is
# <b>type</b> Stack_Type <b>is abstract</b> ;
# function Is_Empty (S : Stack_Type) return Boolean;
<pre>procedure Pop (Item : out T1);</pre>
# global in out State;
# derives Item, State from State;
# <b>pre not</b> Is_Empty (State);

#### end Stack;

# **Examiner Dynamic Tables**



- Flow analyser and VCG heaps are dynamic in Release 10.1
- No more 'megaspark' or custom versions
- Faster Examiner start-up time

# **Auto-Selection of Flow Analsyis** Level



- New command-line option -flow=auto
- Examiner switches automatically between data and information flow depending on presence of derives annotation
- Allows mixed analysis in single run eg:
  - Information flow at lower levels
  - Data flow only at higher levels
  - Partitions with different integrity levels & different flow analysis requirements

# **SPARKBridge & Proof Tools**



- Simplifier tactics & efficiency continually enhanced
- SPARKBridge now provides a gateway for the use of alternative theorem provers
  - Based on Victor from Edinburgh University
  - Allows use of SAT solvers such as Alt-Ergo, CVC3, Yices, Z3
- An open-source interface to Isabelle "SPARK/HOL" is also available



# **KCG Language Profile**

- Language profile suitable for use with SCADE's KCG code generator
- Enables parent package to access public child
- Allows data flow errors to be delegated to proof system rather than Examiner (VC generation not yet implemented)
- Future extensions:
  - Auto-generate cut-points
  - Strengthen default loop invariant
  - Array slices

#### Release 11.0



- Release 11.0 scheduled for early Q4 2012
- Major features:
  - Generic Packages
  - SPARKBridge fully supported
  - Proof Functions
  - #assume annotation
  - Riposte (Beta release)



# **Proof Functions**

- Proof functions can now be annotated with preconditions and return annotations
- They can also be refined
- We expect this change to eliminate most axiomatic Simplier user rules
- The Examiner now fully models function calls in all proof contexts ie. VC generation takes account of return annotation and pre-conditions
- Example ...

# **Proof Function: Example**



```
--# function Contains (V : Integer ;
--# T : Tuple )
--# return Boolean ;
```

```
--# function Contains_Both (A : Integer ;
--# B : Integer ;
--# T : Tuple )
--# return Boolean ;
--# pre A /= B;
--# return Contains (A, T) and Contains (B, T);
```

• Refined in package body ...

```
--# function Contains (V : Integer ;
--# T : Tuple )
--# return Boolean ;
--# return T. First = V or T. Second = V;
```

#### **#assume Annotation**



- Use to replace user rules or manual proof reviews
- Like a check statement, except that there will be no VCs generated to show that it is true.
- Example:

```
--# accept W, 444 , "We increment the uptime counter once every
second .",
--# "The operational procedure requires that the system is",
--# "rebooted at least once every 3 years - as the uptime ",
--# "is stored in a signed 64 bit integer this means the ",
--# "counter can never overflow in the lifetime of the system .";
--# assume ( Clock .T' Last = 2**63 - 1) -> (T < Clock .T' Last );
T := T + 1;
--# end accept;
```



# **Riposte**

- Counter-example generation tool
- Result of a KTP project:
  - Partnership with Bath University
  - Part-funded by the Technology Strategy Board
- Improves productivity by distinguishing false VCs from incomplete proofs
- Generates counter-examples (variable bindings) for false VCs

#### **Current SPARK Proof Workflow**





#### **Future Workflow**







# **Example 1 – Run Time Exceptions**

• Attempt to prove absence of run time exceptions in the following function:

```
function Example_1 (X : in Integer) return Integer
--# return abs (X);
is
begin
   return abs (X);
end Example_1;
```

 Riposte finds the one case in which taking the absolute value of a 2's complement integer gives an overflow ...

# Example 1 – Riposte output





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# **Example 2 – Functional Correctness**



```
type Rec T is record
  A : Integer;
  B : Integer;
  C : Integer;
end record;
procedure Example 2 (R : in out Rec T)
--# derives R from R;
--\# post R = R~[A => R~.C;
--\# C => R~.A]
--\# and R /= R~;
Τs
  Tmp : Integer;
Begin
  Tmp := R.A;
 R.A := R.C;
  R.C := Tmp;
end Example 2;
```

#### **Example 2 – Riposte output**



```
*** Found a counter-example to procedure example 2 4, conclusion C2:
    (For path(s) from start to finish:)
H2: fld c(r) >= integer first
H3: fld c(r) <= integer last
H4: fld b(r) >= integer first
H5: fld b(r) <= integer last
H6: fld a(r) >= integer first
H7: fld a(r) \leq integer last
   ->
C2: not upf c(upf a(r, fld c(r)), fld a(r)) = r
This conclusion is false if:
   r := rec t'(
     a => 0
     b => 0
     c => 0
*** VC procedure example 2 4 - COUNTER EXAMPLE
```



#### Example 3



• Riposte can show that the post condition in the following function does not hold:

• Riposte gives the following counter-example ...

#### **Example 3 – Riposte output**



```
*** Found a counter-example to function_example_3_1, conclusion C1:
    (For path(s) from start to finish:)
H1: a > 17
H2: b > 19
H3: a >= 0
H4: a <= u64_last
H5: b >= 0
H6: b <= u64_last
->
C1: bit_xor(73, (a * b) mod 2 ** 64) > 0
This conclusion is false if:
    a = 15617650143032034577
    b = 17670193526088673209
*** VC function_example_3_1 - COUNTER_EXAMPLE
```



# NEW BOOK COMING SUMMER 2012

SPARK is a programming language and static verification technology designed specifically for the development of high integrity software. First designed over 20 years ago, SPARK has established a track record of use in embedded and critical systems across a diverse range of industrial domains where safety and security are paramount.

This third edition of the SPARK book is a major update which reflects more recent additions to the SPARK language including tasking and generics.

From basic principles through to the use of advanced proof techniques, John Barnes provides both an informal introduction and a reference guide for those wishing to develop high integrity software using SPARK.

For more information please visit www.sparkada.com/book

# **SPARK Training Programme**



- Primary Courses:
  - Software Engineering with SPARK
  - Advanced SPARK Program Design and Verification
- Advanced Courses:
  - Secure Software Development with SPARK \*New\*
  - Introduction to the Proof Checker
  - Concurrent Software Design with RavenSPARK
- Special Courses:
  - SPARK Two Day Overview
  - Refresh Your SPARK
- Tailored Courses

# Secure Software Development with SPARK



- Audience: SPARK users who wish to learn how to exploit the SPARK language and verification tools in the development of high-security software.
- Prerequisites: Software Engineering with SPARK course or fluency with the SPARK language and the Examiner.
- Training Method: A one-day course (which can follow Software Engineering with SPARK directly), combining presentations, exercises and practical work.



#### **Course Content**

- Security basics policy, threats, and value
- System versus Software Security
- Safety and Security Properties
- SPARK in the high-grade and MILS environments
- Verification of Security Properties in SPARK
  - Ada language features supporting security
  - Information flow
  - Robustness and "crash proofing"
  - Defence against buffer overflow and other undefined behaviour
  - Validating inputs
  - Error handling and the role of defensive programming
  - Application-specific security properties
  - Comparison with CWE, SANS "Top 25", ISO/SC22/WG23 PLV lists
- Case study: the Tokeneer ID Station



# **SPARK Training Delivery**

- On-site training
- Public courses
  - Altran Praxis, Bath
  - September 2012
- www.altran-praxis.com/trainingSpark.aspx

# **Further Information**



- Ada Europe Tutorials Friday AM & PM
  - AM: The Benefits of Using SPARK for Highassurance Software
  - PM: The Use of Proof and Generics in SPARK
- The SPARK Book!
- Product information: www.adacore.com/sparkpro



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