



RV-Match

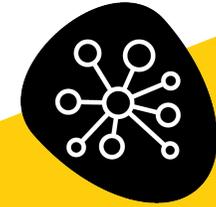
Product Overview



What We Do



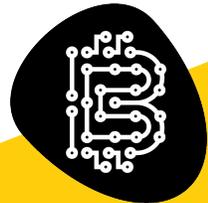
Runtime Verification Inc. **applies runtime verification-based techniques to improve the safety, reliability, and correctness of software systems** for aerospace, automotive, and the blockchain.



formal design



dynamic analysis



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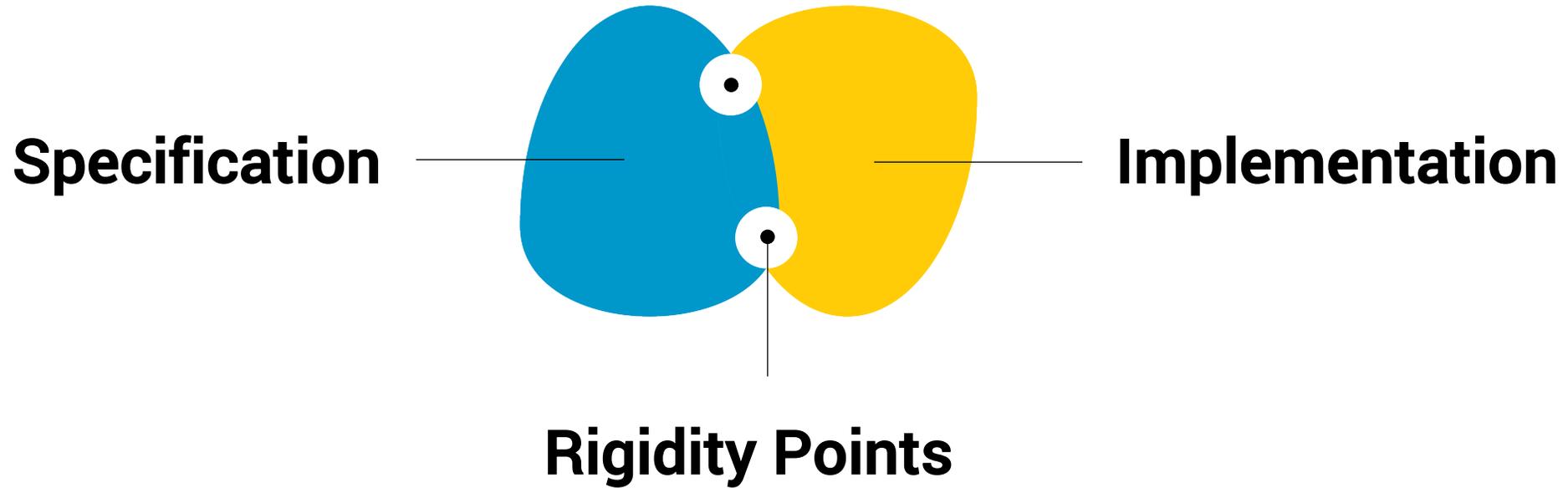
**formal analysis
framework**

Story



The **runtime verification** term was coined by Professor Grigore Rosu (UIUC) and his colleague Dr. Klaus Havelund (NASA) in three papers they published in 2001 and 2002. The papers received the **Most Influential Paper award** at the ACM/IEEE Automated Software Engineering Conference in 2016, the **Test of Time award** at the Runtime Verification Conference in 2018, and respectively the **Best Software Science Paper award** at ETAPS 2002.

The company was founded in 2010.



During **runtime verification** we prove that the specification and the implementation are tightly connected, hence two rigidity points.

What is runtime verification?



A subfield of program analysis and verification – just like static analysis – aimed at verifying computing systems as they execute: with good scalability, rigor, and **no false alarms**.

Runtime Verification

complements

Static Analysis

Runtime verification is **different** from static analysis because: it **executes** programs to analyze, **observes** execution traces, **builds** models from the execution trace, and **analyzes** the model.



RV-Match is a semantics based automatic debugger for common and subtle C errors, and the most advanced and precise semantics-based bug finding tool.

RV-Match gives you:

- an automatic debugger for subtle bugs other tools can't find, with no false positives
- seamless integration with unit tests, build infrastructure, and continuous integration
- a platform for analyzing programs, boosting standards compliance and assurance

Case study – Toyota ITC benchmark



Toyota ITC benchmark

In a Toyota ITC benchmark evaluation, comparing RV-Match with various static analysis solutions, our product received the **best** score by finding more bugs than the static analysis tools and achieving a perfect false positive rate of zero false positives.



Case study – NASA cFE



NASA core Flight Executive

NASA core Flight Executive (cFE) is a development and run-time environment for enabling cross-platform embedded systems.

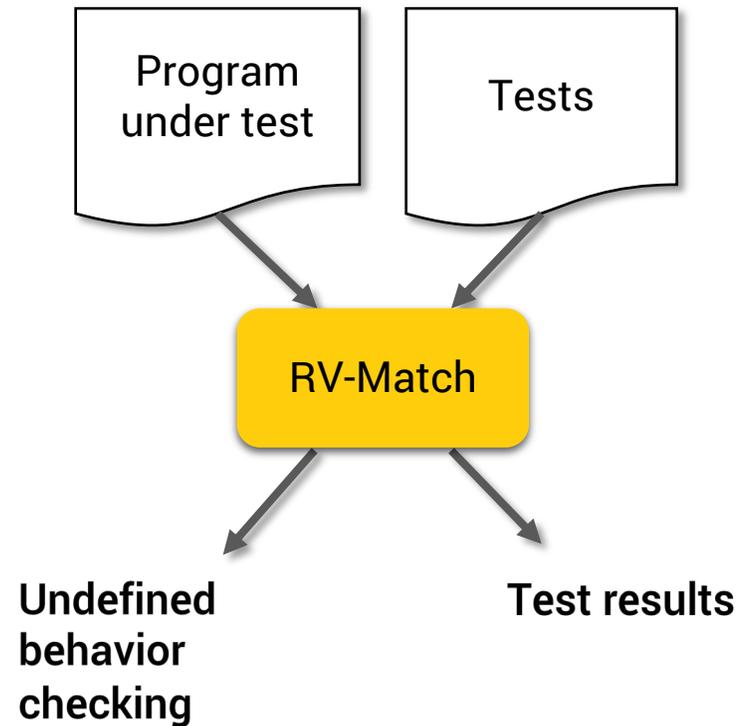
RV-Match detected:

- 15 undefined behaviors
- 1036 implementation-defined behaviors



Unit testing with RV-Match

RV-Match can replace GCC or Clang in unit-testing infrastructure to detect undefined behavior while executing the tests.



Analysis with RV-Match – the kcc tool

undef.c

```
int main() {  
    int a;  
    &a + 2;  
}
```

kcc detects and reports
undefined behavior with ISO
C11 citation.

```
$ kcc bounds.c
```

```
$ ./a.out
```

```
A pointer (or array subscript) outside the bounds of an object:  
> in main at undef.c:3:7
```

Undefined behavior (UB-CEA1):

see C11 section 6.5.6:8 <http://rtdoc.org/C11/6.5.6>

see C11 section J.2:1 item 46 <http://rtdoc.org/C11/J.2>

see CERT-C section ARR30-C <http://rtdoc.org/CERT-C/ARR30-C>

see CERT-C section ARR37-C <http://rtdoc.org/CERT-C/ARR37-C>

see CERT-C section STR31-C <http://rtdoc.org/CERT-C/STR31-C>

see MISRA-C section 8.18:1 <http://rtdoc.org/MISRA-C/8.18>

see MISRA-C section 8.1:3 <http://rtdoc.org/MISRA-C/8.1>

Analysis with RV-Match – the kcc tool



bounds.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>

int main() {
    struct { int a; int b; } s = {0, 1};
    int * p = &s.a;
    printf("%d\n", *(p + 1));
}
```

```
$ kcc bounds.c
$ ./a.out
```

```
Dereferencing a pointer past the end of an array:
> in main at bounds.c:9:7
```

Undefined behavior (UB-CER4):

- see C11 section 6.5.6:8 <http://rtdoc.org/C11/6.5.6>
- see C11 section J.2:1 items 47 and 49 <http://rtdoc.org/C11/J.2>
- see CERT-C section ARR30-C <http://rtdoc.org/CERT-C/ARR30-C>
- see CERT-C section ARR37-C <http://rtdoc.org/CERT-C/ARR37-C>
- see CERT-C section STR31-C <http://rtdoc.org/CERT-C/STR31-C>
- see MISRA-C section 8.18:1 <http://rtdoc.org/MISRA-C/8.18>
- see MISRA-C section 8.1:3 <http://rtdoc.org/MISRA-C/8.11>

Analysis with RV-Match – the kcc tool



overflow.c

```
#include <limits.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

void process_something(int size) {
    size += 1; // check for overflow
    if (size < 0) return;
    char *string = malloc(size);
    string[0] = 'x';
    string[1] = '\000';
    puts(string);
}

int main(int argc, char** argv) {
    process_something(2);
    process_something(INT_MAX);
}
```

```
$ kcc overflow.c
$ ./a.out
x
Signed integer overflow:
  > in process_something at overflow.c:6:7
    in main at overflow.c:18:7

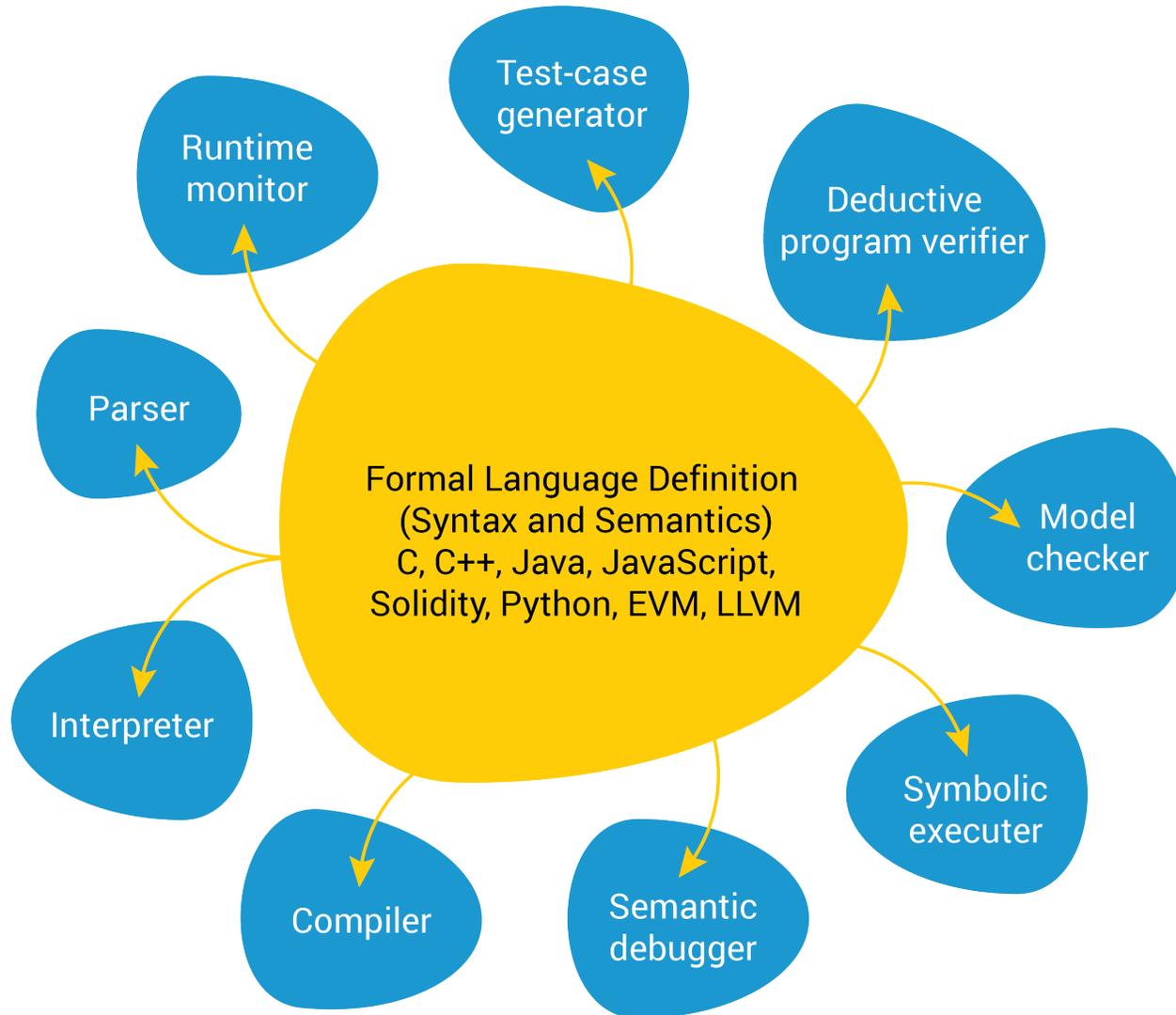
Undefined behavior (UB-CCV1):
  see C11 section 6.5:5 http://rtdoc.org/C11/6.5
  see C11 section J.2:1 item 36 http://rtdoc.org/C11/J.2
  see CERT-C section INT32-C http://rtdoc.org/CERT-C/INT32-C
  see MISRA-C section 8.1:3 http://rtdoc.org/MISRA-C/8.1
```

Analysis with RV-Match – the kcc tool

Error	Message	ISO C11 Reference
UB-CB1	Types of function call arguments aren't compatible with declared types after promotions.	6.5.2.2:6, J.2:1 #39
UB-CB2	Function call has fewer arguments than parameters in function definition.	6.5.2.2:6, J.2:1 #38
UB-CB3	Function call has more arguments than parameters in function definition.	6.5.2.2:6, J.2:1 #38
UB-CB4	Function defined with no parameters called with arguments.	6.5.2.2:6, J.2:1 #38
UB-CCV1	Signed integer overflow.	6.5:5, J.2:1 #36
UB-CCV3	Conversion to integer from float outside the range that can be represented.	6.3.1.4:1, J.2:1 #17
UB-CCV4	Floating-point value outside the range of values that can be represented after conversion.	6.3.1.5:1, J.2:1 #18
UB-CCV5	Casting empty value to type other than void.	6.3.2.2:1, J.2:1 #23
UB-CCV6	Casting void type to non-void type.	6.3.2.2:1, J.2:1 #23
UB-CCV7	Conversion from pointer to integer of a value possibly unrepresentable in the integer type.	6.3.2.3:6, J.2:1 #24
UB-CCV11	Conversion to a pointer type with a stricter alignment requirement (possibly undefined).	6.3.2.3:7, J.2:1 #25
UB-CCV12	Floating-point overflow.	6.5:5, J.2:1 #36
UB-CEA1	A pointer (or array subscript) outside the bounds of an object.	6.5.6:8, J.2:1 #46
UB-CEA2	Pointer difference outside the range that can be represented by object of type ptrdiff_t.	6.5.6:9, J.2:1 #50
UB-CEA5	Computing pointer difference between two different objects.	6.5.6:9, J.2:1 #48
UB-CEB2	The right operand in a bitwise shift is negative.	6.5.7:3, J.2:1 #51
UB-CEB3	The right operand in a bitwise shift is greater than or equal to the bit width of the left operand.	6.5.7:3, J.2:1 #51
UB-CEB4	The left operand in a bitwise left-shift is negative.	6.5.7:4, J.2:1 #52
UB-CEB6	The right operand in a bitwise shift is negative.	6.5.7:3, J.2:1 #51
UB-CEB7	The right operand in a bitwise shift is greater than or	6.5.7:3, J.2:1 #51

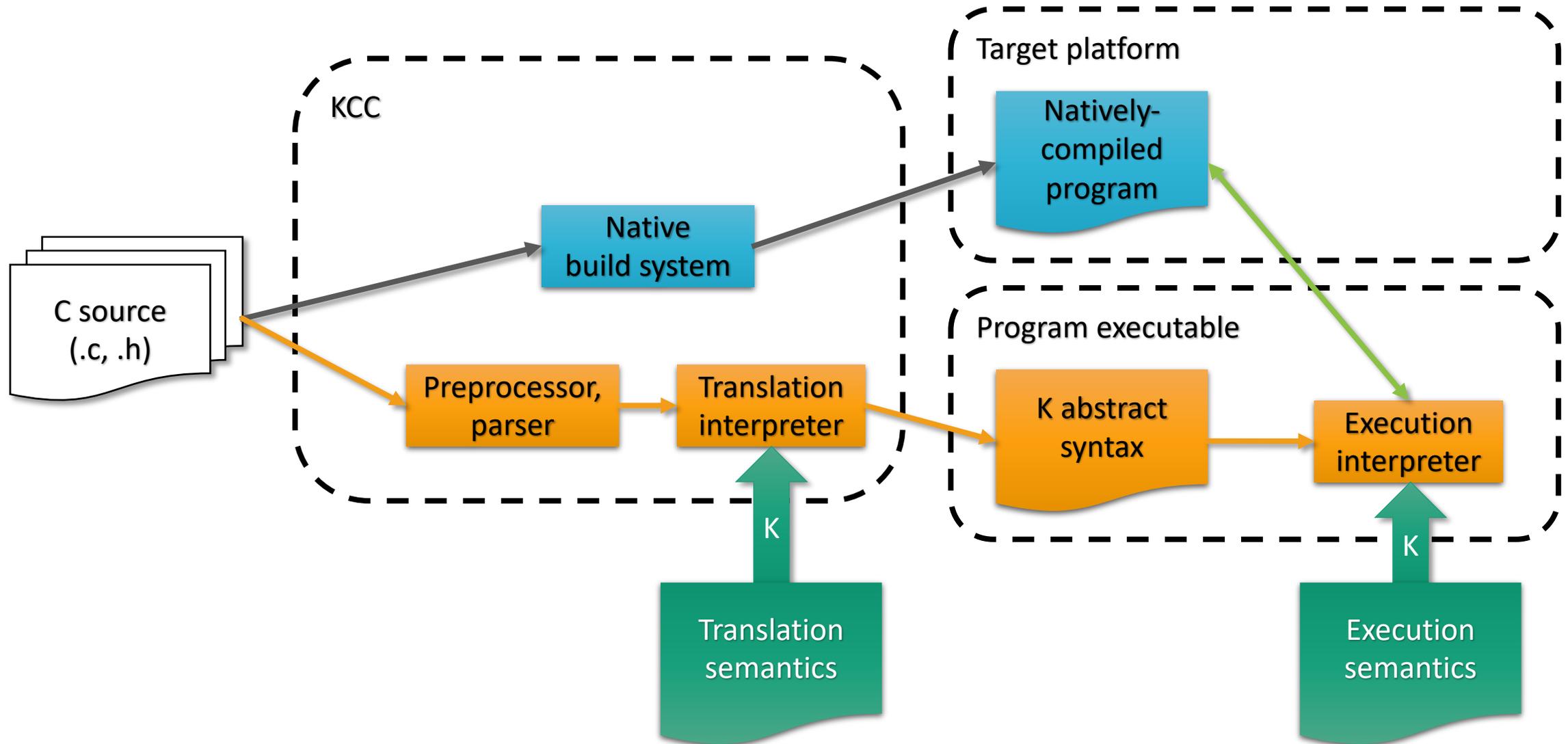
more than 200
reported issues

True semantics-based analysis

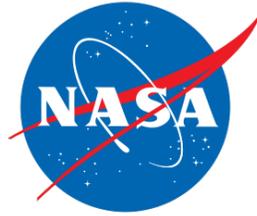


At the heart of RV-Match is a complete formal semantics of the ISO C standard powered by the K framework.

True semantics-based analysis



Partners & Customers



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Our company is fueled by people. We are **pioneers in the runtime verification community**, with hundreds of publications that shaped the field.



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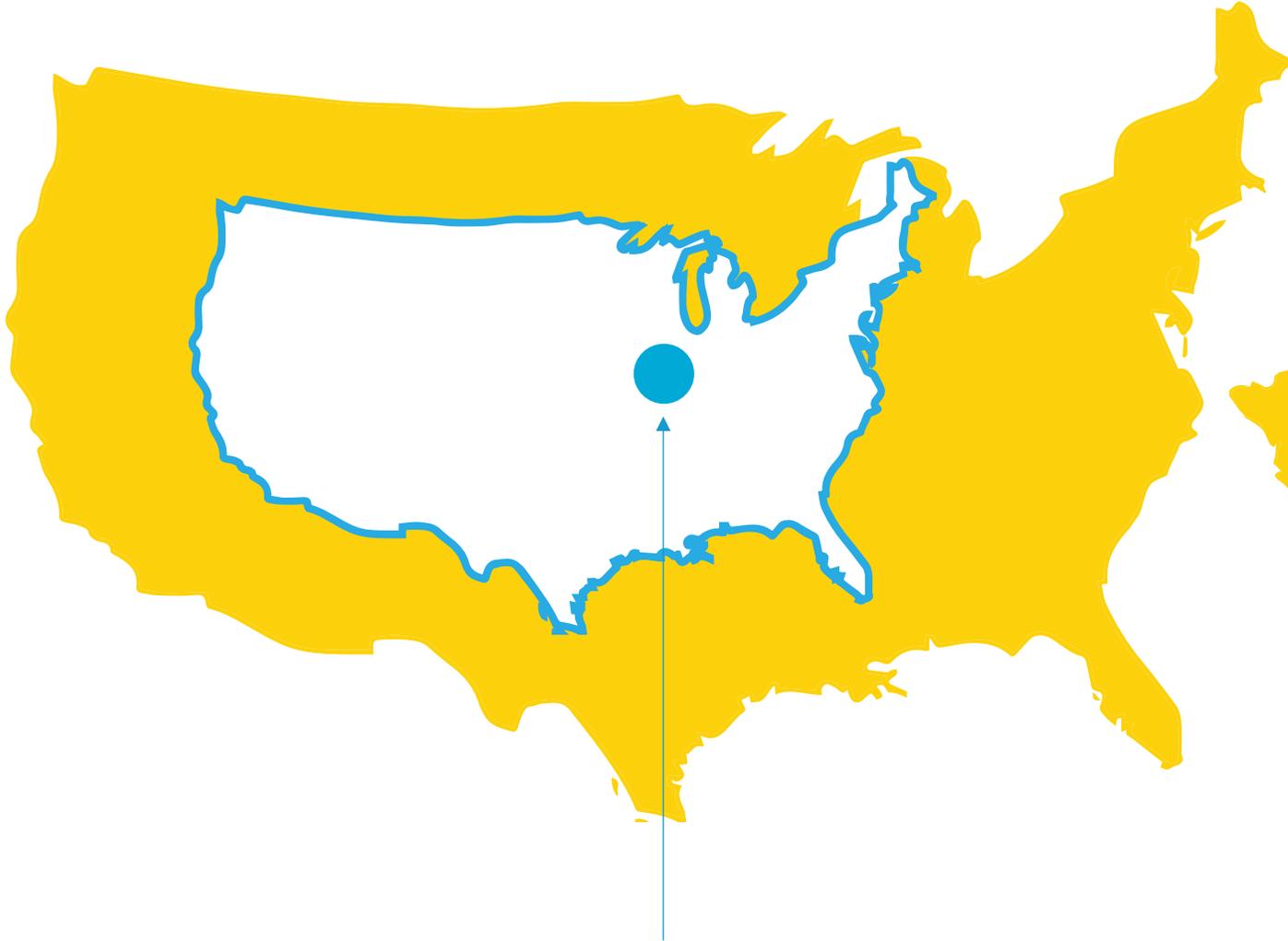


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