Frama-C installation and Overview

Stance Training Session – Course 1

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Outline

For the training session

Installation

- If you don't have a virtualizer, use the appropriate `VMWare Player` provided on the USB stick
- Import the virtual machine on `VMWare` or `VirtualBox`.
- Launch the virtual machine.

Spec of the virtual machine

- based on Xubuntu 12.10
- Frama-C Oxygen, Why 2.31, Why3 0.8
- Alt-ergo 0.94, Z3 3.2, Simplify, Coq
- Verifast

On Linux

- On Debian, Ubuntu, Fedora, Gentoo, OpenSuse, Linux Mint, ...
- Compile from sources using OCaml package managers:
  - Godi (`http://godi.camlcity.org/godi/index.html`)
  - Opam (`http://opam.ocamlpro.com/`)

On Windows

- Godi
- Wodi (`http://wodi.forge.ocamlcore.org/`)

Installed files

Executables

- `frama-c`: Console-based interface
- `frama-c-gui`: Graphical User Interface

Others

- `FRAMAC_PLUGINS`: location of plug-ins
- `FRAMAC_SHARE`: various configuration files
- `FRAMAC_SHARE/libc`: standard headers

Documentation

Manuals

- `http://frama-c.com/support.html`
- In directory
  `$(frama-c -print-share-path)/manuals`

Support

- `frama-c-discuss@gforge.inria.fr`
- tag `frama-c` on `http://stackoverflow.com`

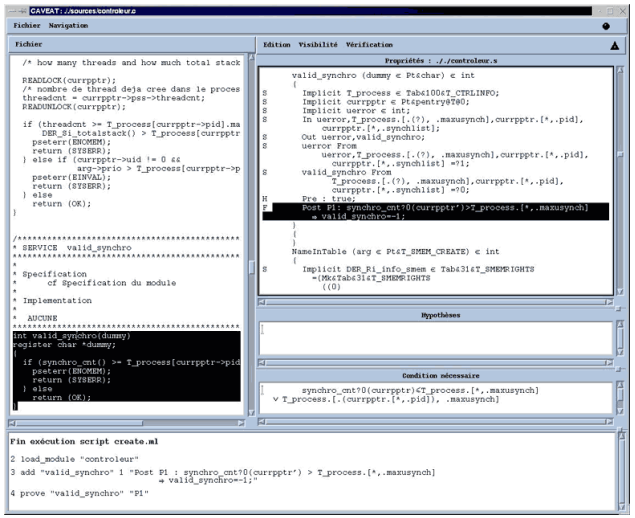
Inline summary

- `frama-c -help`
- `frama-c -kernel-help`
- `frama-c -*-path`
- `frama-c -plugin-help`

Caveat Verifier

```
Pre    params:    a>=0 && b>0;
Term 1 variant:   a-b;
Inv  1 invariant: a+b*q=a';
Post   remainder: a-b*div < b;
```

```
int div(int a, int b) {
  int q;
  q=0;
  while (a>=b) {
    a=a-b;
    q=q+1;
  }
  return q;
}
```




```
remainder: Proved
           (Simplify,Z3,Alt-Ergo)
```

Caveat @ Airbus

- Experiments with Caveat since 1998
- Used in some critical developments (qualified for DO-178B level A on this code)
- Replaces unit tests by formal proofs
- J. Souyris & al. *Formal Verification of Avionics Software Products*, FM 2009, vol. 5850 LNCS

Caveat and Frama-C

Reinvesting Caveat pro's

- Formal language designed for code specifications
- Hoare's logic, weakest preconditions

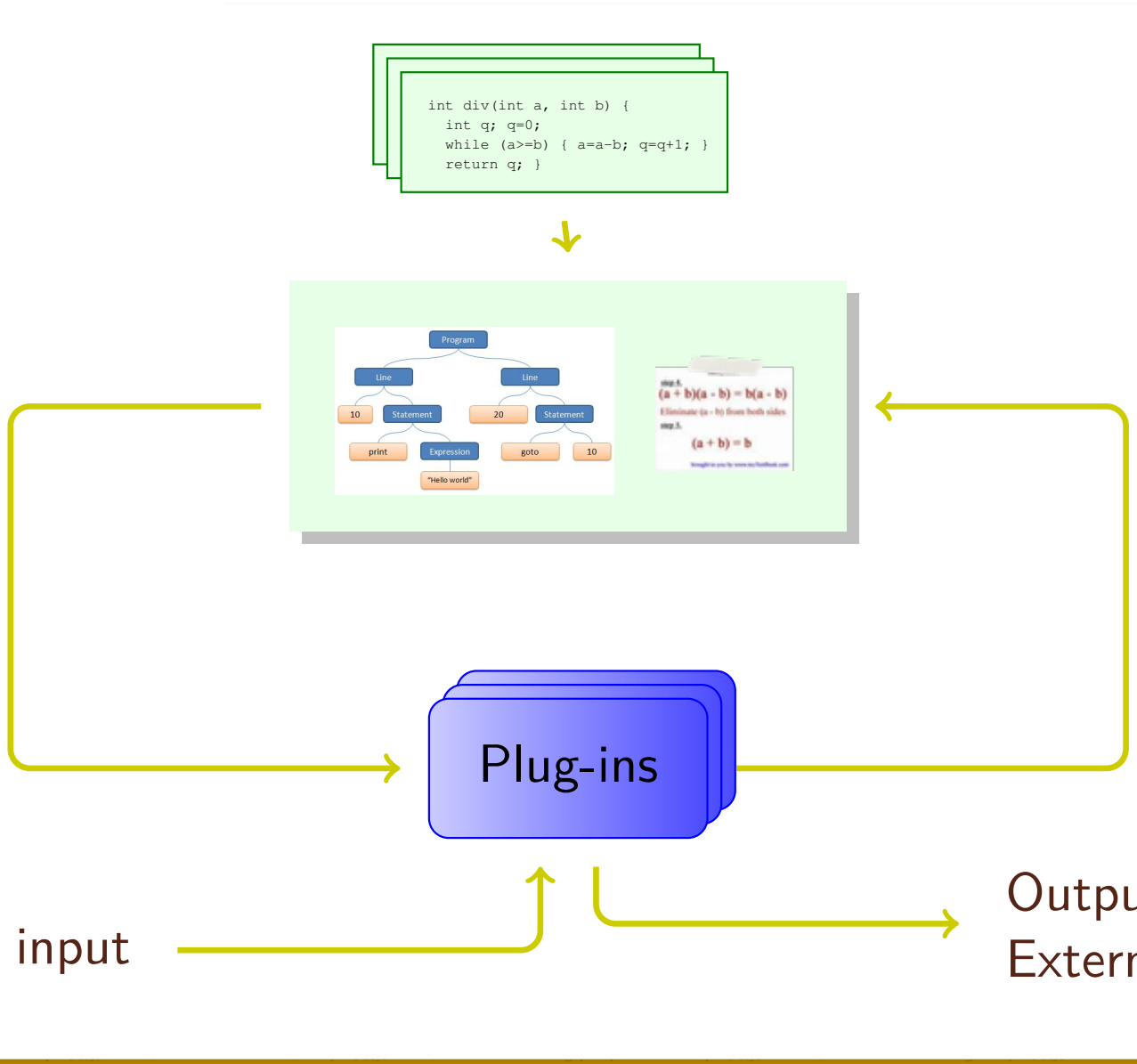
Improving scope of application

- Low-level C-code features (complex aliases, casts)
- Other semantic analysis (static analysis by abstract interpretation)

Frama-C at a glance

- `http://frama-c.com/`
- Developed at CEA LIST and INRIA Saclay (Proval team, now Toccata).
- Released under LGPL license.
- Kernel based on CIL (Necula et al. – Berkeley).
- ACSL annotation language.
- Extensible platform
  - Collaboration of analysis over same code
  - Inter plug-in communication through ACSL formulas.
  - Adding specialized plug-in is easy

Frama-C platform



CIL and ACSL

Abstract syntax trees

- Parsing and type-checking
- Normalization
- Code transformation (visitor)
- Control-flow graph and data-flow analysis

Projects and Journalization

Managing the state of the analyzer

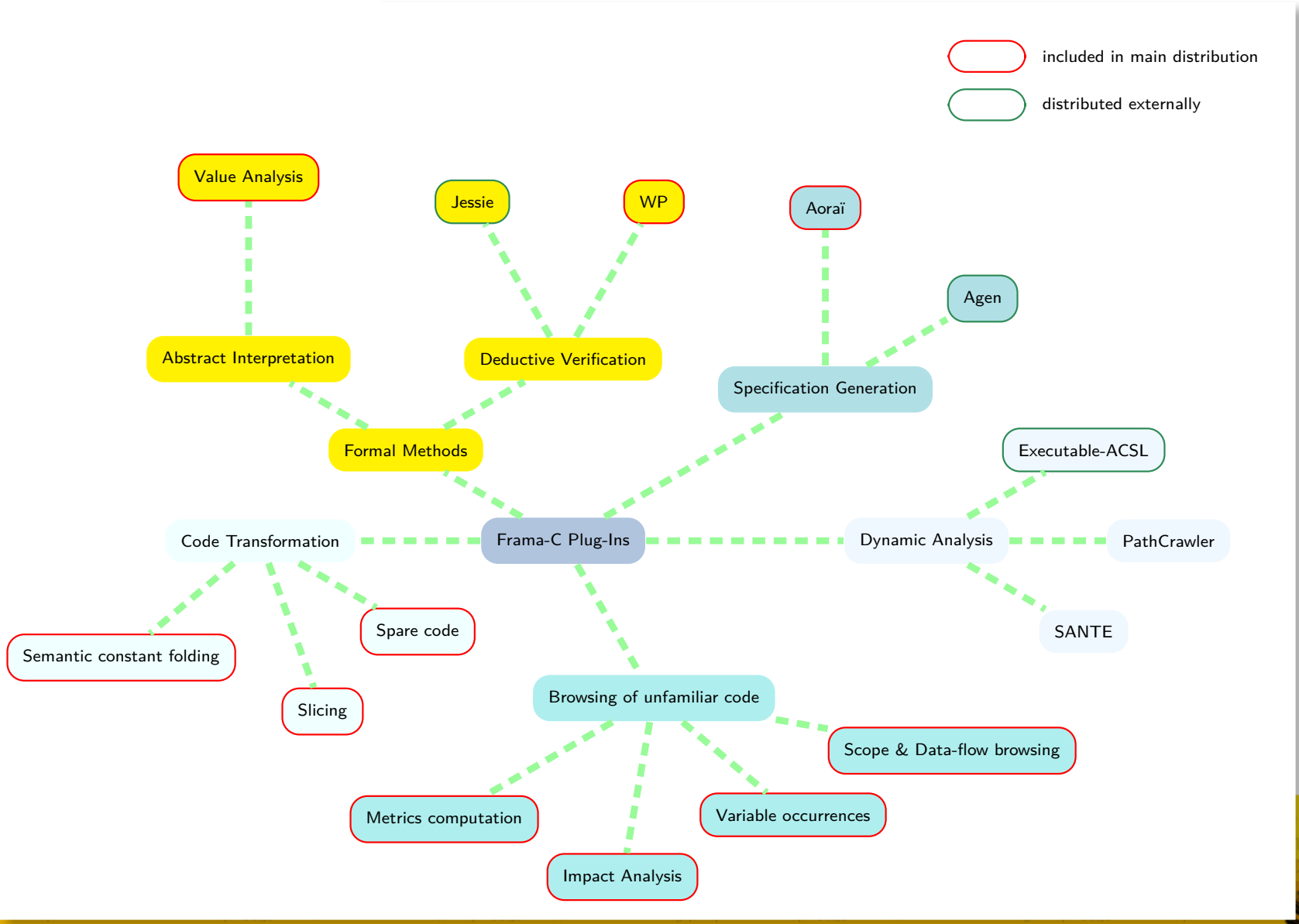
- Encompasses Frama-C's internal state
- Two projects are independent from each other
- Persistence (type-safe load/save)
- Replay features through journalized script.

Example

```
module Done =
  Computation.Ref
    (struct ... end)(struct ... end)

let project =
  File.create_project_from_visitor "transf"
    (fun p -> new my_code_transformer p)
```

Main plugins



External plugins

- Taster (coding rules, Atos/Airbus, Delmas &al., ERTS 2010)
- Dassault's internal plug-ins (Pariente & Ledinot, FoVeOOs 2010)
- Fan-C (flow dependencies, Atos/Airbus, Duprat &al., ERTS 2012)
- Various academic experiments (mostly security-related)

Plug-ins

Registering a new plug-in

- Inform the kernel of the plug-in
- Register plug-in state in project mechanism
- Register exposed functions in the dynamic mechanism
- Register entry point in the kernel

Example

```
module P = Plugin.Register(struct ... end)
module Enabled = P.False(struct ... end)
let print () = P.result "Hello world";;
Db.Extend.main
  (fun () -> if Enabled.get() then print ());;
```