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Towards Incremental Model Slicing for SPL Regression Testing

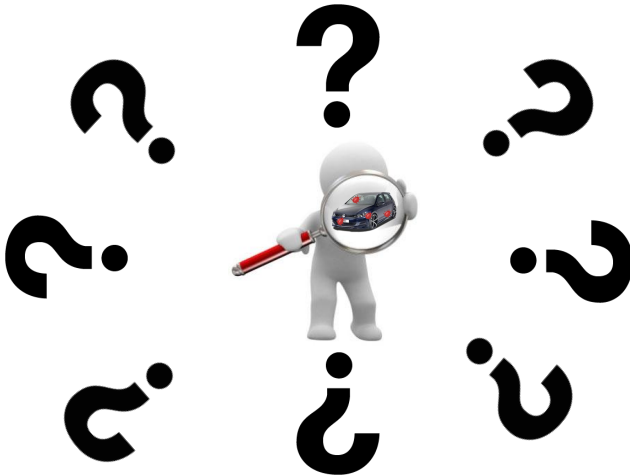
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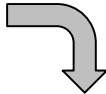
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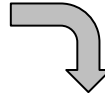
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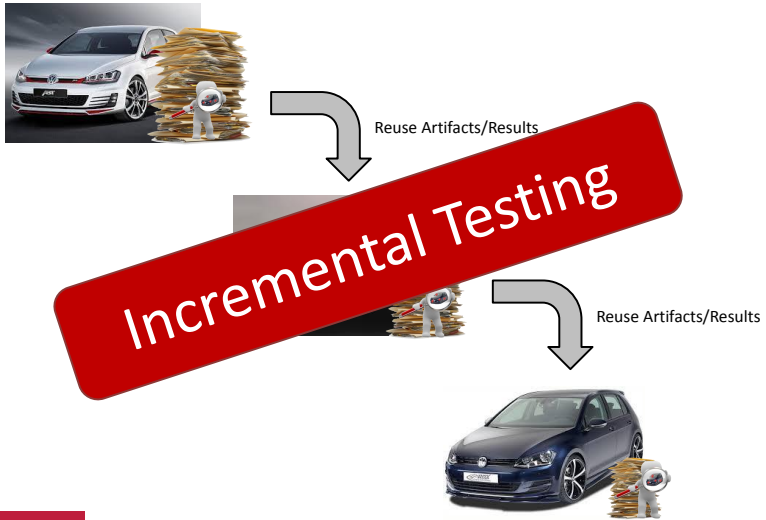
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- *Retest* decision?

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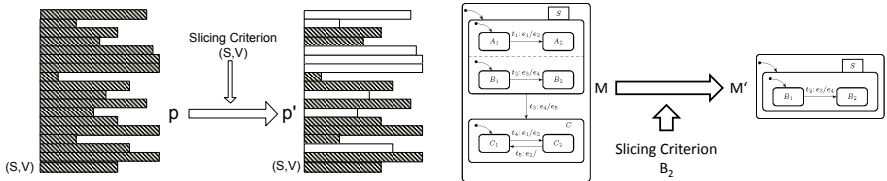
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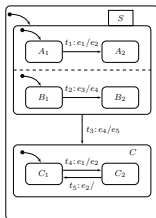
- Software *version* testing vs. software *variant* testing?
- *Reuse* of test artifacts? \Rightarrow Adaption of Delta Modeling [CHS15]
- *Incremental* SPL testing? \Rightarrow Delta-oriented [LSKL12, Loc12, LLL⁺14]
- *Retest* decision? \Rightarrow Slicing [AHKL93, BH93, GHS92]

Program/Model Slicing

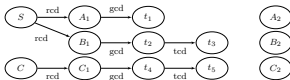
- Static program projection technique by Weiser [Wei81]
- Preserves syntax and semantics w.r.t. slicing criterion
- Based on control/data dependencies
- Model slicing [JWZC02, KLB12, ACH⁺13] adapts concept for state-based models



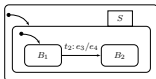
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Dependency
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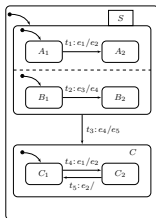


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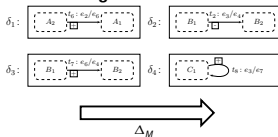
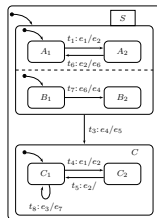
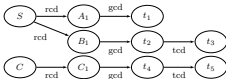
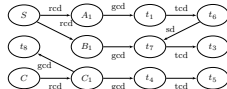


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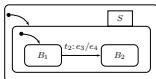
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Regression Delta

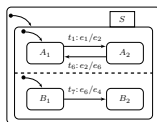
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Slicing Criterion



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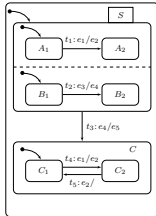


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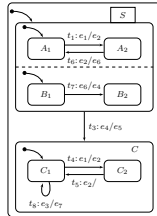
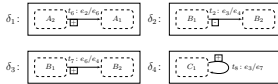
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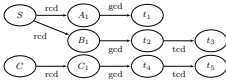


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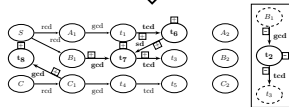


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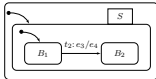


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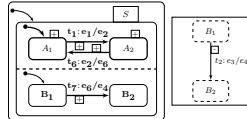
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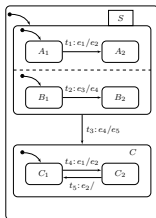
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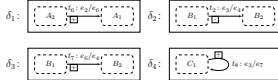


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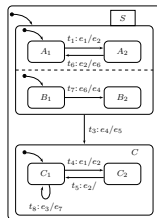
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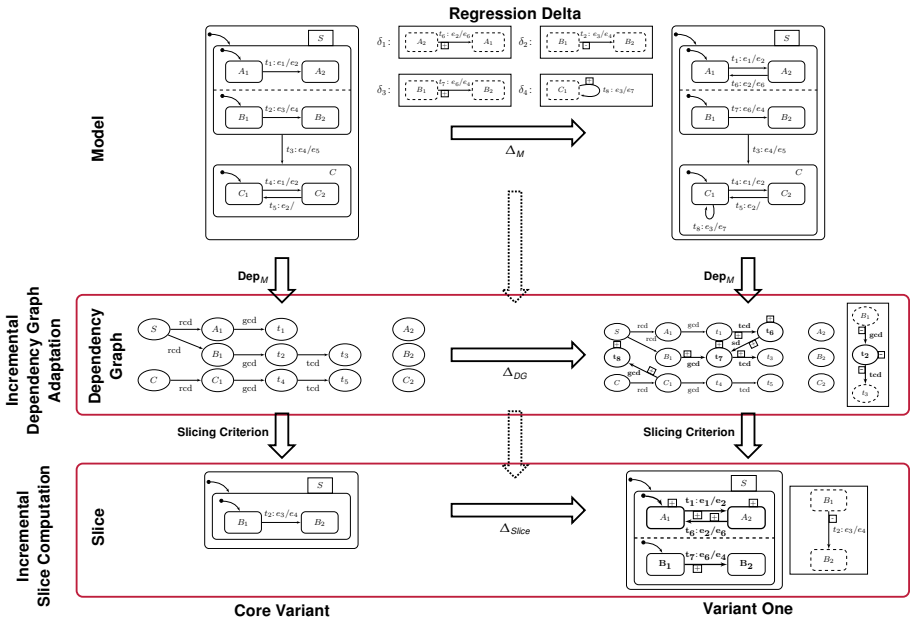
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Discussion

Dependence on Differences

- Number of model deltas
- Impact/Distributability of changes

Worst Case

- Distributed changes
- No effort reduction

Average Case

- Local changes
- Exploit commonality

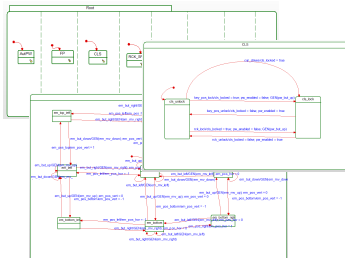
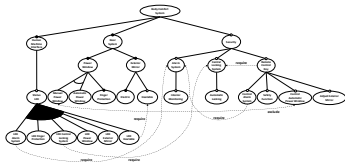
Benefits

1. Effort reduction for dependency graph generation
2. Direct derivation of slice changes

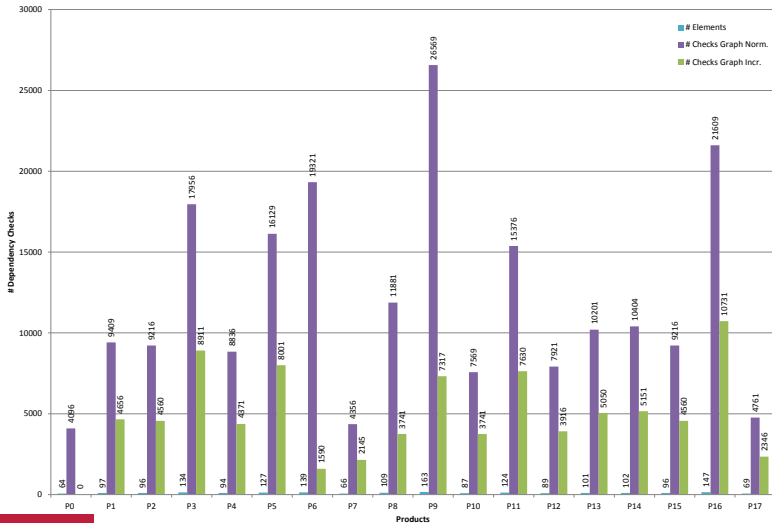
Evaluation – BCS Case Study [LLLS12]

Body Comfort System

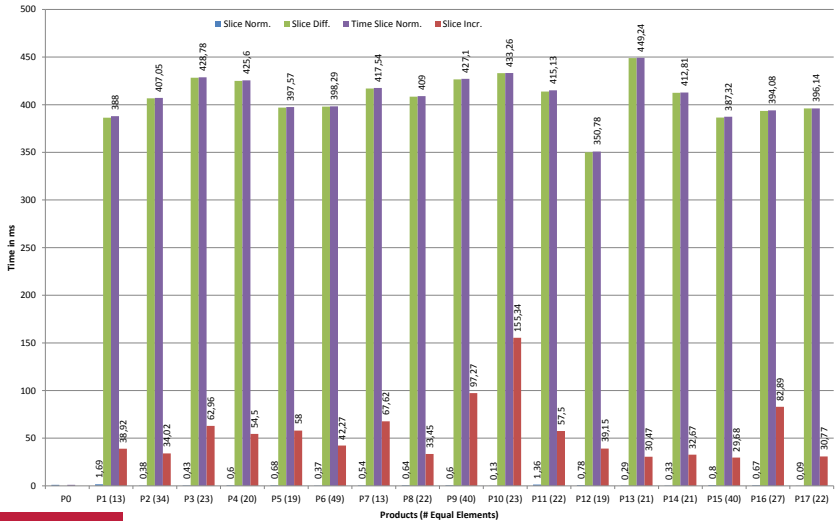
- 27 features \Rightarrow 11616 variants
- Sampling subset: 18 Products (incl. core) [OLZG11, LSKL12]
- Sampling result \Rightarrow Order
- Model size:
 - \emptyset Elements: 106
 - \emptyset States: 40
 - \emptyset Transition: 66
 - \emptyset Hierarchy Depth: 3



Evaluation – Dependency Graph (First Results)



Evaluation – Slicing and Model Diff (First Results)



First Idea – Retest Coverage Criterion

Slice differences indicate *retest potentials* based on the impact of model changes

- What are retest requirements/goals?
 - Elements corresponding to slice differences
 - Elements connected to those elements
- Applicable for selection and prioritization
 - (Pairwise) coverage of retest requirements/goals
 - Number of occurrences of a difference usable as weighting factor
 - Potential retest test case generation
- Retest requirements/goals refer only to retestable behavior
- Model parts not influenced by changes indicate behavior not to be retested

Conclusion & Future Work

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- Regression Testing \Rightarrow Incremental SPL testing
- Incremental model slicing \Rightarrow Change impact analysis
- Slice differences \Rightarrow Retest potentials
- Retest decision \Rightarrow Retest coverage criterion

Future Work

- Comprehensive evaluation
- Extension of control and data dependency
- Extension & optimization of implementation
- Application for (evolution-aware) change impact analysis

Thank You for Your Attention! Any Questions?




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