

# Implicit Self-Adjusting Computation for Purely Functional Programs

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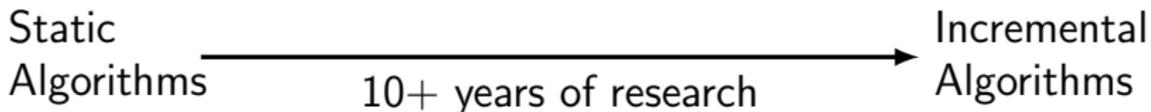
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Problem	Static	Incremental/Dynamic
Max	[folklore 1950s] $O(n)$	[Williams 1964] $O(\log n)$
Graph Connectivity	[Strassen 1969] $O(n^{2.8})$	[Thorup 2000] $O(\log n(\log \log n)^3)$ for edge updates
Planar Convex Hull	[Graham 1972] $O(n \log n)$	[Brodal et al. 2002] $O(\log n)$
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Compilation	Whole-program	Separate

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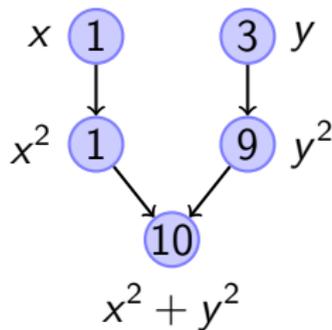


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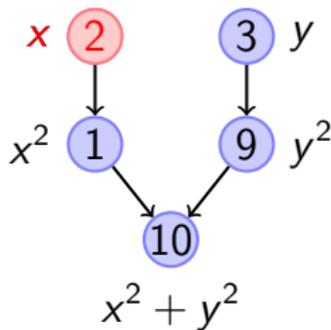


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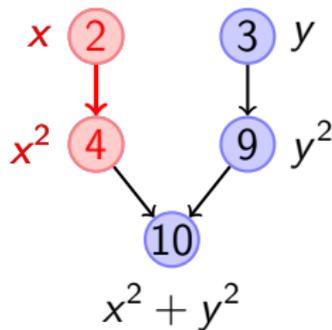


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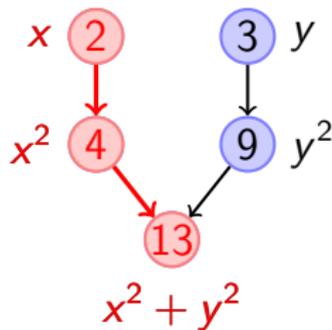


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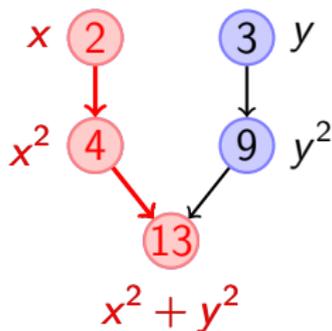
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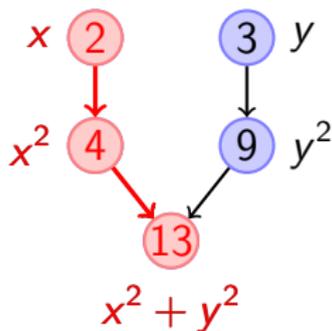
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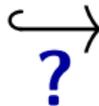
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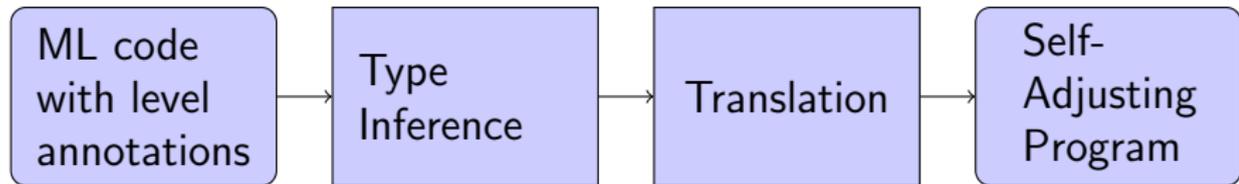
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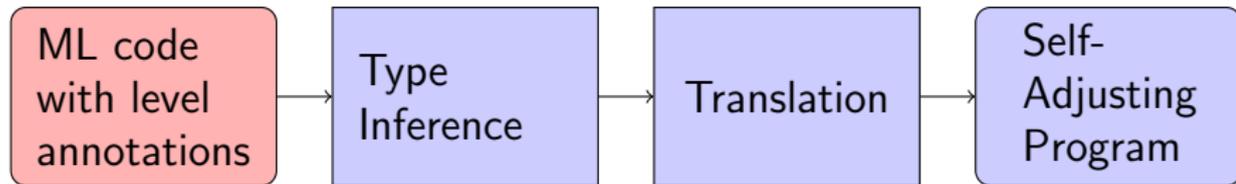


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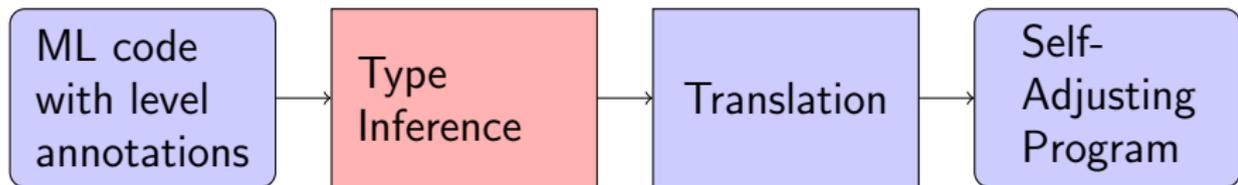
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Information flow!

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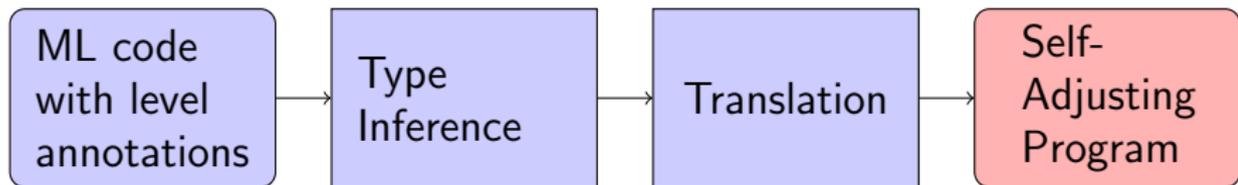
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 \text{Generate fresh level variables} \quad \text{Subsumption} \\
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 } \text{(SLetV)}$$

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val sumOfSquares:  intα1 * intα2 -> intα3
                  [α3 ≥ α1 ∧ α3 ≥ α2]
    
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- ▶ Our typing rules and constraints fall within the HM(X) framework [Odersky et al. 1999], permitting inference of **principal types** via constraint solving.



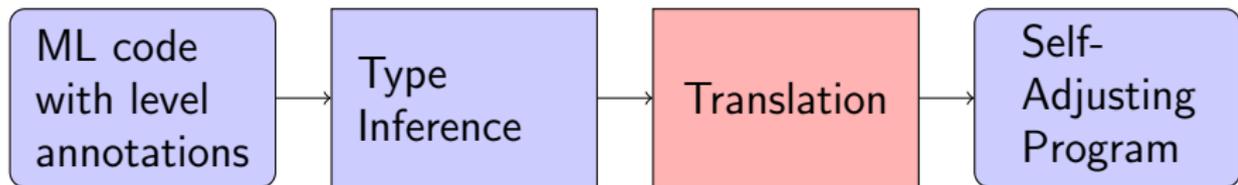
- ▶ Modal type system
- ▶  $e^c$  has no return value, and can only end with **write** or changeable function application.

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*Expressions*     $e ::= e^s | e^c$

*Stable expressions*     $e^s ::= \text{let } x = e^s \text{ in } e^s$   
                                  | **mod**  $e^c$                                    **create**  
                                  |  $\dots$

*Changeable expressions*     $e^c ::= \text{let } x = e^s \text{ in } e^c$   
                                  | **read**  $x$  **as**  $y$  **in**  $e^c$     **dereference**  
                                  | **write**( $x$ )                                   **store**  
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## Generate all satisfying instances

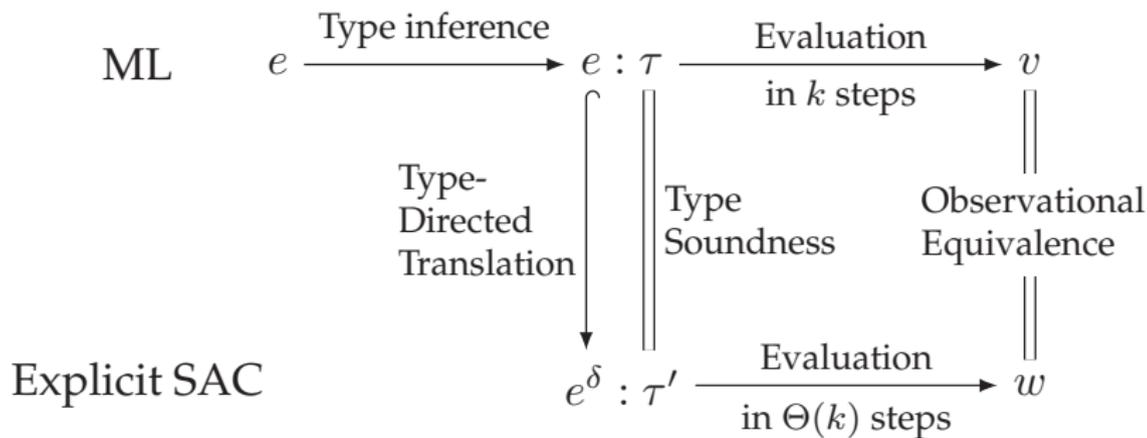
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- ▶ Dead-code elimination can remove unused functions.
- ▶ The functions that **are** used would have to be handwritten in an explicit setting.

# Theoretical Results



- ▶ **Implicit** Self-Adjusting Computation
  - ▶ Automatic dependency tracking based on type annotation
  - ▶ Type-directed translation for self-adjusting computation
- ▶ **Automatically** make ML programs self-adjusting
- ▶ Formal proofs of translation soundness and asymptotic complexity
- ▶ Implementation and preliminary results presented at Workshop on ML

