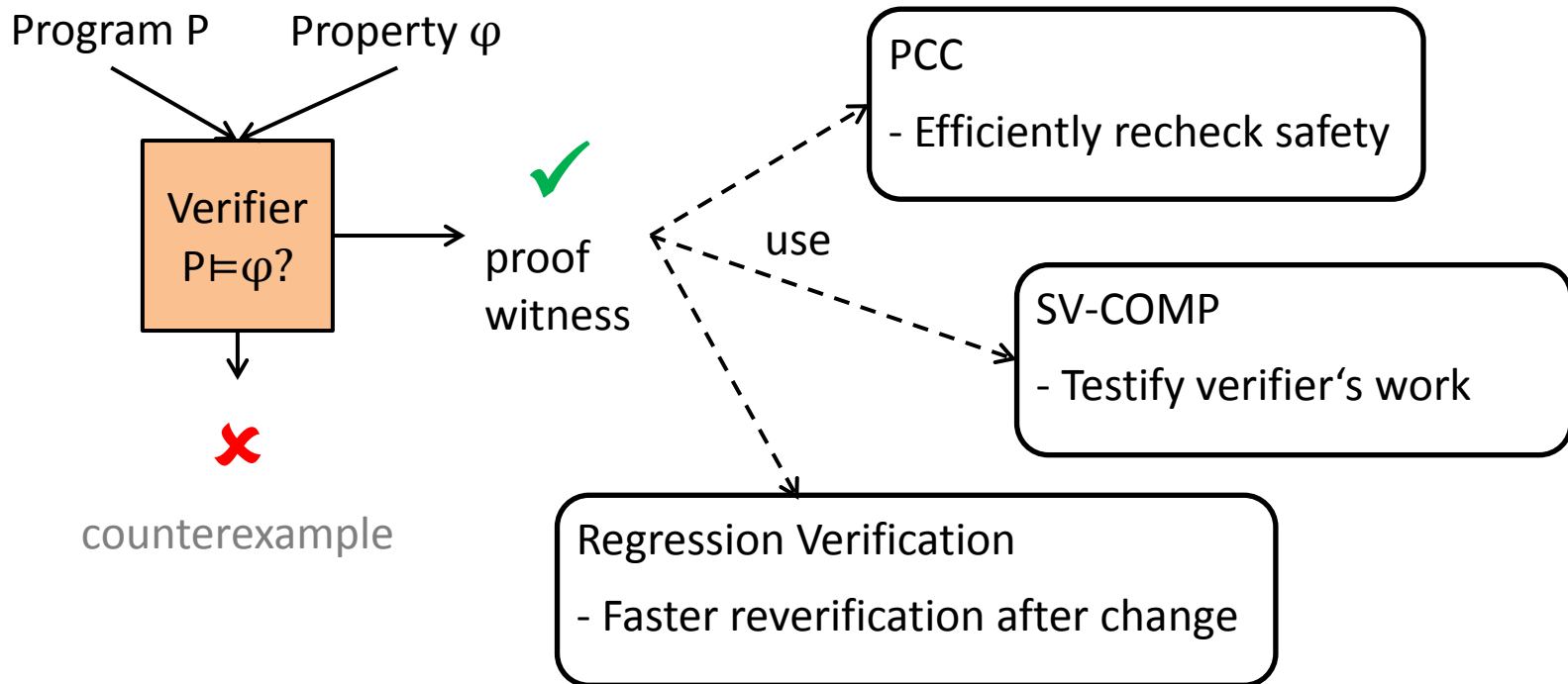


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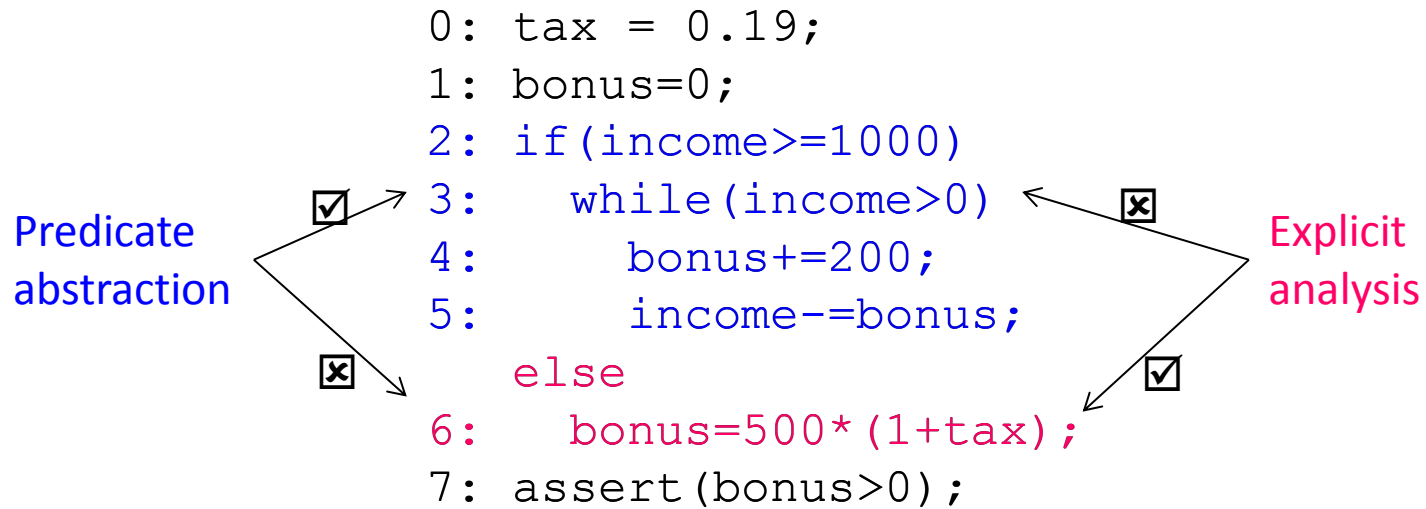
From Partial Analysis Results  
to a Proof Witness

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# Use Cases for Proof Witnesses



# Problem: Complementary Analyses



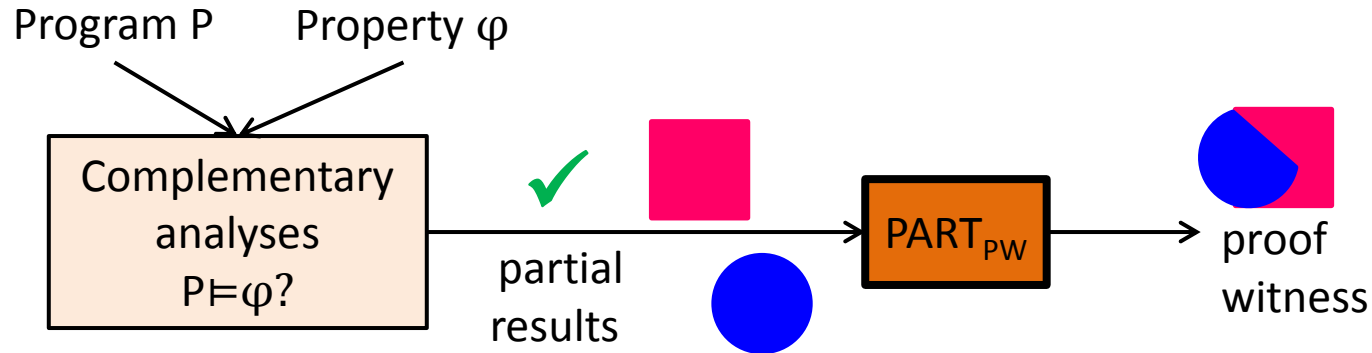
if branch: verify with predicate abstraction

else branch: verify with explicit analysis

➔ 2 partial analysis results



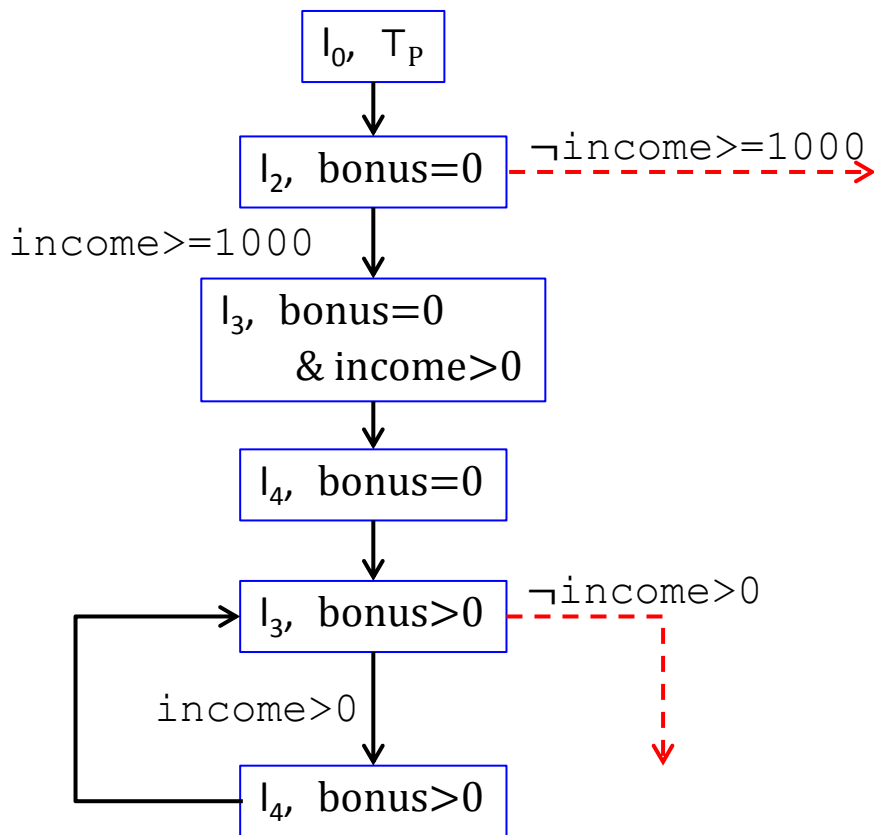
# The $\text{PART}_{\text{PW}}$ Solution



- Benefits
  - Reuse of existing proof witness approaches
  - Complex analysis hidden from witness checker

# (Partial) Proof Witnesses

Here: in form of abstract reachability graphs



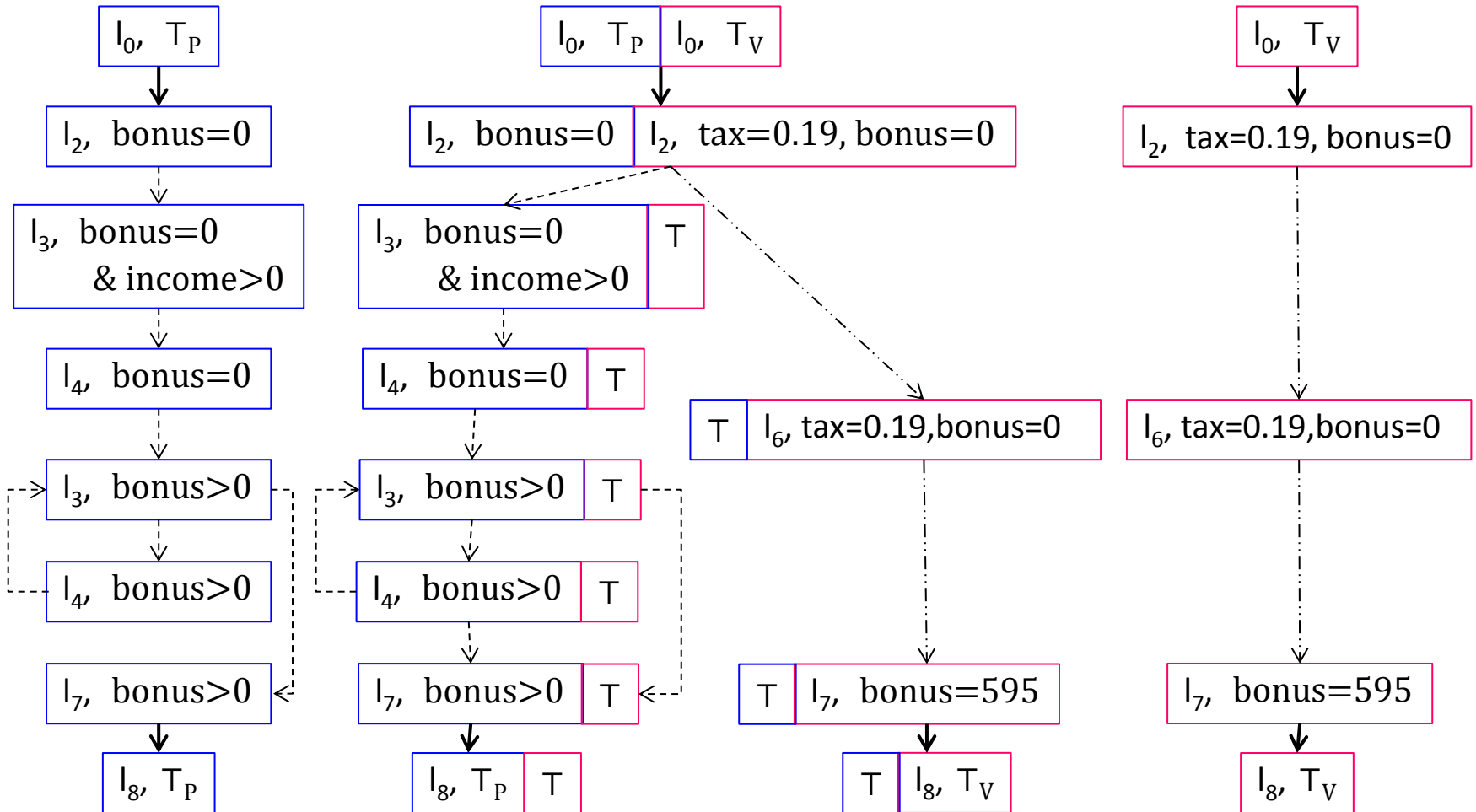
## Valid Partial Proof Witness

- Root covers the initial states
- For each node, statement either
  - a) Abstract successors covered
  - b) No successors for statement
- Safe

## Valid Proof Witness

- Valid partial proof witness,
- but no missing successors

# An ARG from a Set of Partial ARGs



# Theoretical Result

**Goal:**  $\text{Part}_{\text{PW}}$  constructs valid proof witnesses

*Require:* Partial ARGs must cover all execution paths

→ Use complete set of partial ARGs (stronger, abstraction based)

## Theorem (proven)

- Let  $S_{\text{pARG}}$  be complete set of partial ARGs.  
Then,  $\text{Part}_{\text{PW}}(S_{\text{pARG}})$  is a valid proof witness.

# Experiments

## Questions

1. Is  $\text{Part}_{\text{PW}}$  + standard witness approach better than checking set of partial ARGs?
2. Is  $\text{Part}_{\text{PW}}$  + standard witness approach better than verification?
3. How costly is  $\text{Part}_{\text{PW}}$ ?

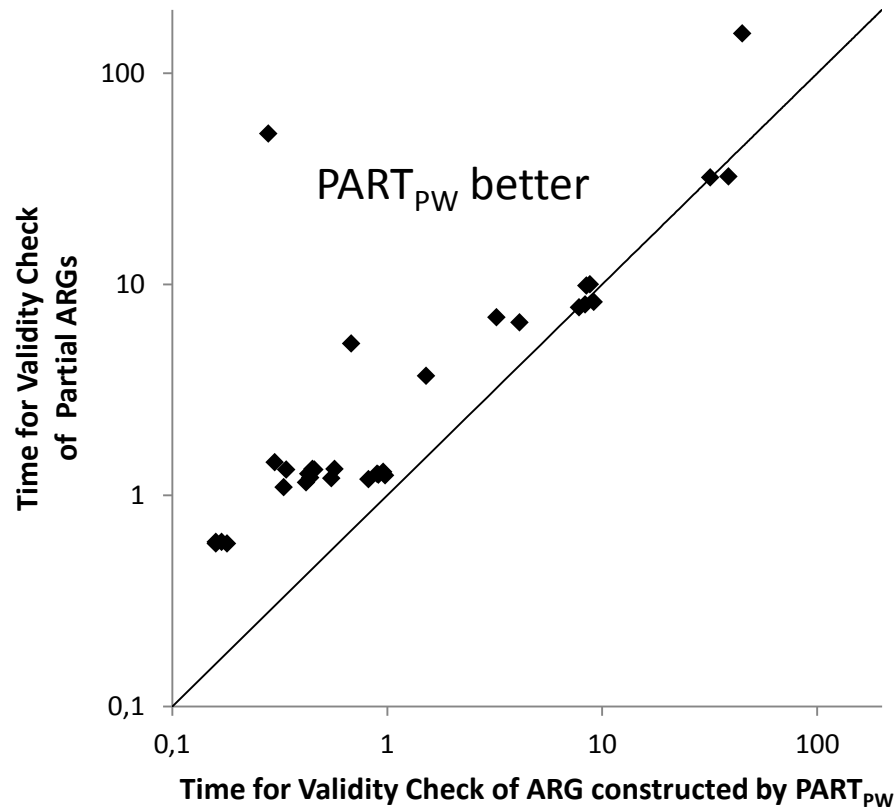
## Set Up

- Construction of Partial ARGs
  - Conditional model checking<sup>[1]</sup>
  - Different combinations
  - Restrict to tasks for which combinations beneficial
- Witness Approaches
  - ARG as witness
  - ARG nodes as witness
  - Structured subset of ARG nodes as witness
  - Set of partial ARGs as witness

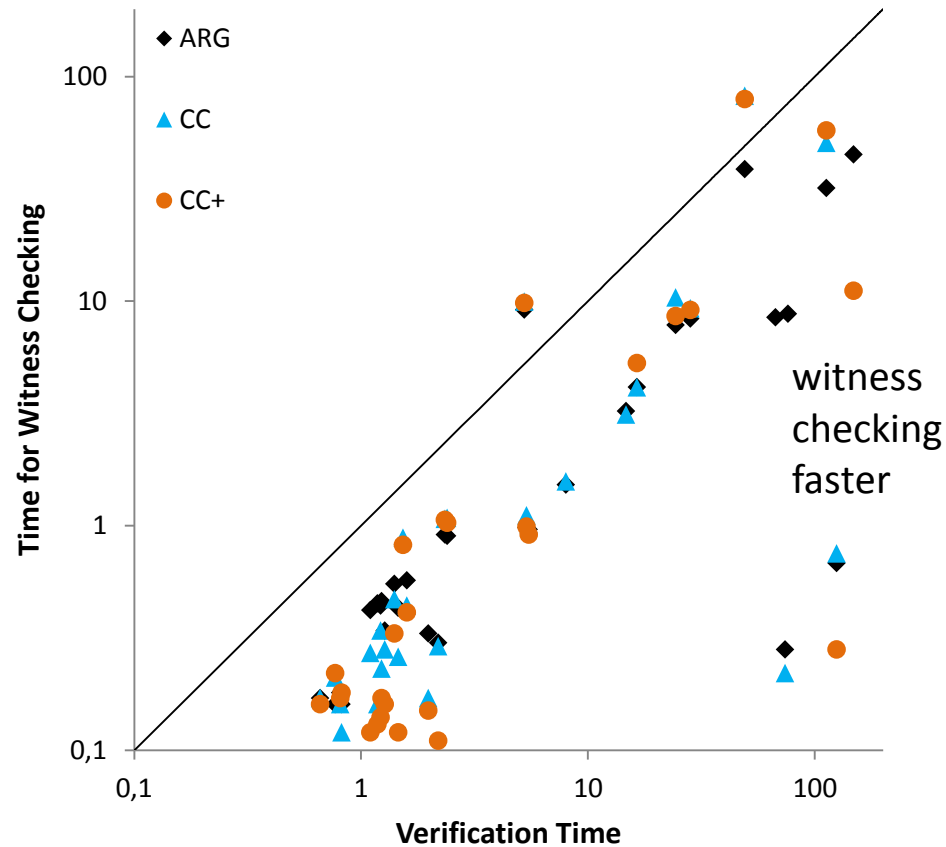
[1] Beyer et al., Conditional model checking: a technique to pass information between verifiers, FSE, 2012.



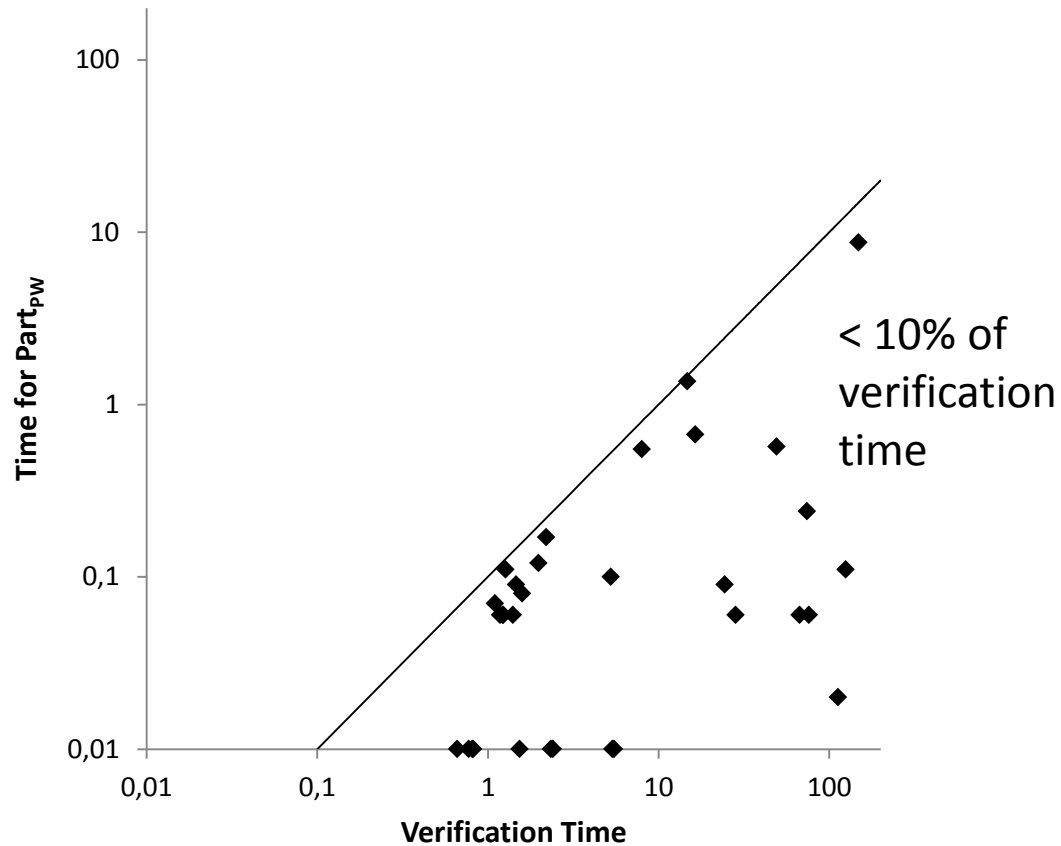
# Q1: PART<sub>PW</sub> vs. Specific Solution



# Q2: Witness Checking vs. Verification

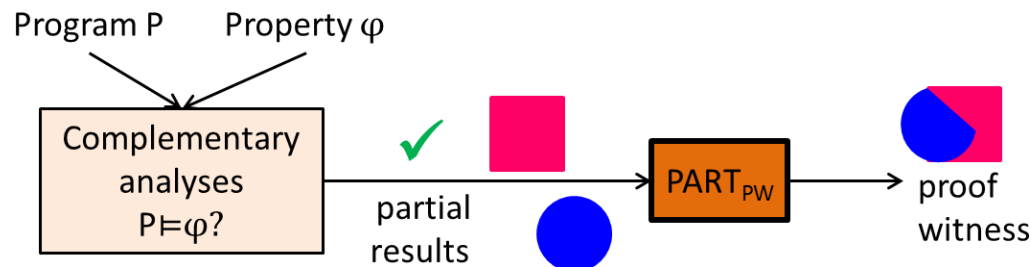


# Q3: Overhead of Part<sub>PW</sub>



# Conclusion

- Technique  $\text{PART}_{\text{PW}}$



- Provably constructs valid proof witnesses

- Experiments

- Seamless integration into existing approaches

- More efficient than specific solution

- $\text{PART}_{\text{PW}}$  overhead small