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The first instance of the competition will be conducted in 2015 and is associated with the workshop "[Theory and Applications of Formal Argument](#)" (TAF'A15).

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**Important dates**

*Nov 21, 2014:* Release of final solver interface  
*Jan 30, 2016:* Declaration of intent by participants  
*Mar 30, 2016:* Submission of solvers  
*Apr 30, 2015:* Submission of system descriptions  
*Jul 25-Aug 1, 2015:* Presentation of results at TAF'A15

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# Reasoning Tasks

## Computational Tasks:

- 1 SE - given an AF  $F$  determine **some** extension
- 2 EE - given an AF  $F$  determine **all** extensions
- 3 DC - given an AF  $F$  and some argument  $a$ , decide whether  $a$  is **credulously** inferred
- 4 DS - given an AF  $F$  and some argument  $a$ , decide whether  $a$  is **skeptically** inferred

## Semantics:

- CO - Complete Semantics
- PR - Preferred Semantics
- GR - Grounded Semantics
- ST - Stable Semantics

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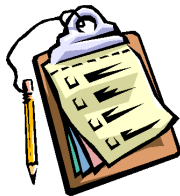
## TODO

Find the "best" configuration for each reasoning task.

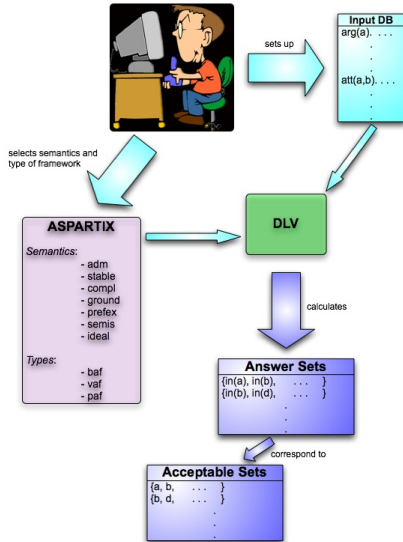


# Agenda

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# ASPARTIX



# ASP Encodings

## Stable Extensions

Given an AF  $F = (A, R)$ . A set  $S \subseteq A$  is a **stable extension** of  $F$ , if

- $S$  is conflict-free in  $F$
- for each  $a \in A \setminus S$ , there exists a  $b \in S$ , such that  $(b, a) \in R$

## Encoding

$$\widehat{F} = \{\text{arg}(a) \mid a \in A\} \cup \{\text{att}(a, b) \mid (a, b) \in R\}$$

$$\pi_{\text{stable}} = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{in}(X) & \leftarrow \text{not out}(X), \text{arg}(X) \\ \text{out}(X) & \leftarrow \text{not in}(X), \text{arg}(X) \\ & \leftarrow \text{in}(X), \text{in}(Y), \text{att}(X, Y) \\ \text{defeated}(X) & \leftarrow \text{in}(Y), \text{att}(Y, X) \\ & \leftarrow \text{out}(X), \text{not defeated}(X) \end{array} \right\}$$



# Modifications for EE

## Clingo Syntax

$$\pi_{stable} = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \{in(X) : arg(X)\} & \leftarrow in(X), in(Y), att(X, Y) \\ defeated(X) & \leftarrow in(Y), att(Y, X) \\ \#show in/1 & \leftarrow not\ in(X), not\ defeated(X), arg(X) \end{array} \right\}$$

Run with clingo option `-project`

# Modifications for DC

## DC-ST

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## Let Clingo compute ONE Answer-Set

If  $\pi_{\text{stable}}(\widehat{F})$  is satisfiable, then return YES;

if  $\pi_{\text{stable}}(\widehat{F})$  is unsatisfiable, then return NO.

# Modifications for DS

## DS-ST

For an AF  $F = (A, R)$ , is  $a \in A$  contained in each extension  $E \in \text{stable}(F)$

$$\pi_{\text{stable}} = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{in}(X) & \leftarrow \text{not out}(X), \text{arg}(X) \\ \text{out}(X) & \leftarrow \text{not in}(X), \text{arg}(X) \\ \text{defeated}(X) & \leftarrow \text{in}(X), \text{in}(Y), \text{att}(X, Y) \\ & \leftarrow \text{in}(Y), \text{att}(Y, X) \\ & \leftarrow \text{out}(X), \text{not defeated}(X) \\ \text{out}(a) & \end{array} \right\}$$

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If  $\pi_{\text{stable}}(\widehat{F})$  is satisfiable, then return NO;

if  $\pi_{\text{stable}}(\widehat{F})$  is unsatisfiable, then return YES.

# Solver Options



## clingo 4.3

- NOPARAM
- `-project`
- `-rand-freq=0.05`
- `-configuration=auto`
- `-configuration=frumpy`
- `-configuration=tweety`
- `-configuration=handy`
- `-configuration=crafty`
- `-configuration=trendy`

## gringo305/clasp

`metasp` encodings for preferred and grounded

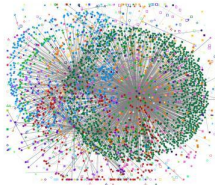
`lp2sat`<sub>[Gebser et al.(2014)],</sub>

`riss`<sub>[Manthey(2014), Manthey(2012)]</sub>

SAT Solver for DC- $\{ST,CO,GR\}$  and DS- $\{ST,CO,GR\}$

# Benchmarks

- Benchmarks\_SCCs/ECAI\* ( $\approx 8900$  instances)
- Benchmarks\_SCCs/KR/\* ( $\approx 1500$  instances)
- dynpartix/examples/benchmarks\_1-2011/\* ( $\approx 4800$  instances)
- iccma15\_testcases/apx/\* ( $\approx 100$  instances)
- ICCMAtest\_cases2/apx/\* ( $\approx 90$  instances)



Total 15490 instances.

Second benchmark set 5830 instances.

# Tests

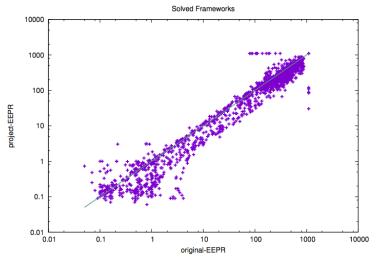
## Bull HPC-Cluster (Taurus)

- Intel Xeon CPU (E5-2670) with 2.60GHz
- 6.5 GB Ram, 900 seconds
- from 16 cores we used every 4th



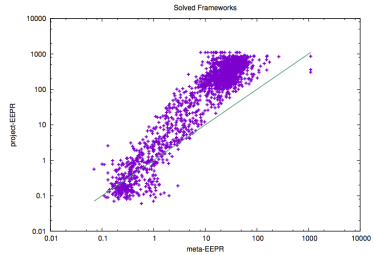
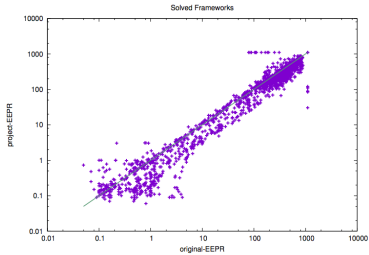
We thank the Center for Information Services and High Performance Computing (ZIH) at TU Dresden for generous allocations of computer time.

# Results EE-PR

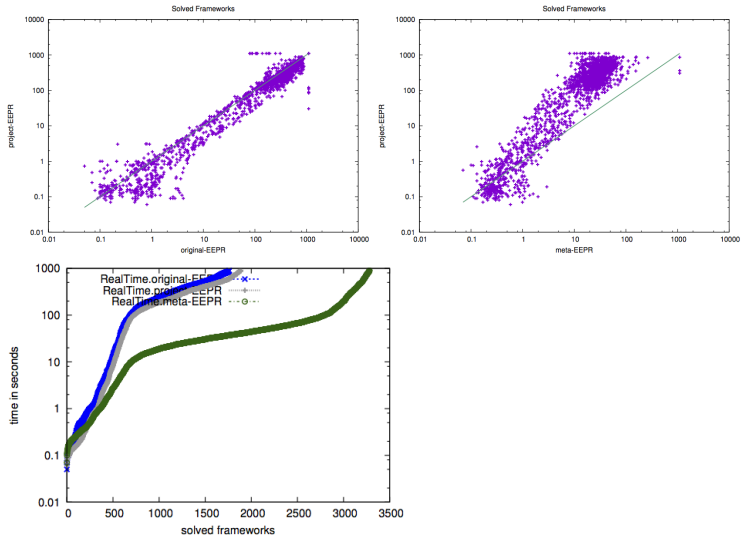




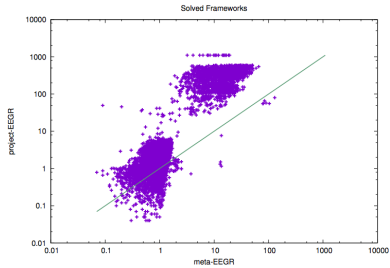
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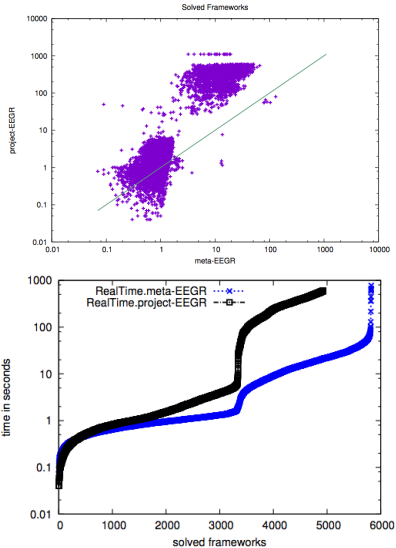
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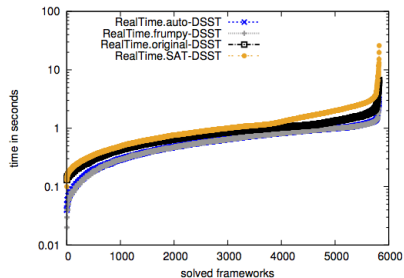
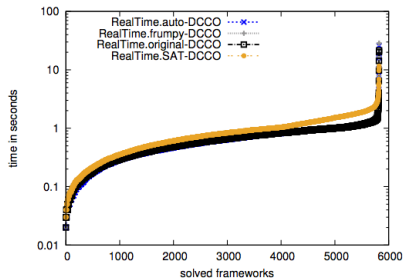
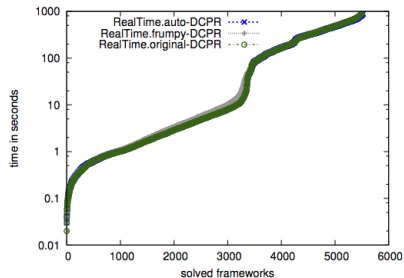
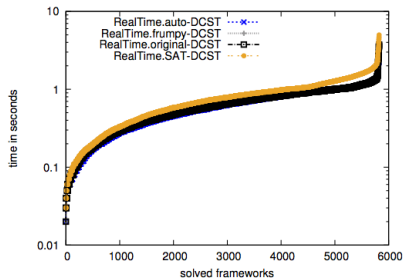
# Results EE-GR



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# Results with no Significant Difference



# Final Configuration

## ASPARTIX-D

- GR: metasp encodings for all reasoning tasks
- DC-ST original
- DC-CO SAT
- DC-PR -configuration=auto
- DS-ST original
- DS-CO SAT
- DS-PR original
- EE-ST -project
- EE-CO -project
- EE-PR metasp
- SE-ST -project
- SE-CO -project
- SE-PR metasp

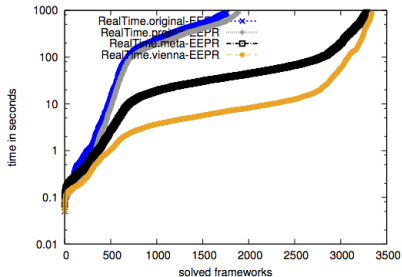


# Future Work

- Fix configurations for other semantics
- GUI for ASPARTIX-D
- Study visualization methods for big frameworks
- Representation of many solutions
- Navigation in solution space



# Comparison with Vienna Encodings



- Solved by metasp: 3244 (out of 5830)
- Solved by Vienna: 3325 (out of 5830)



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