Learning a Variable-Clustering Strategy for Octagon from Labeled Data Generated by a Static Analysis

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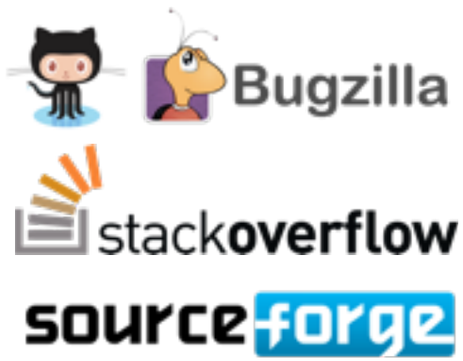
Long Term Goal

- Self-evolving static analysis by learning big data
  - data : similar codes, old versions, user-feedbacks, bug reports, test results, etc
- mature in other fields :   amazon …



Big Data

+

Static Analyzer

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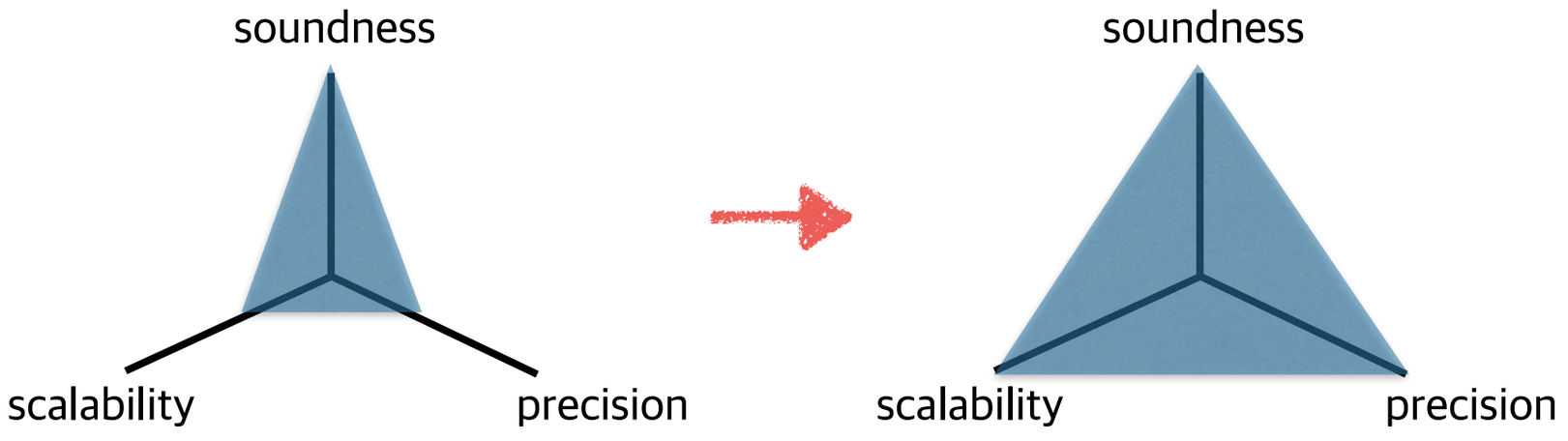

$$F \in Pgm \times \Pi \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$$

- Finding a good abstraction for adaptive static analysis
  - **Machine Learning** (learner) + **Static Analysis** (teacher)
  - e.g.) **relation**, context, flow, etc

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*Consider x-y ≤ c only, for simplicity

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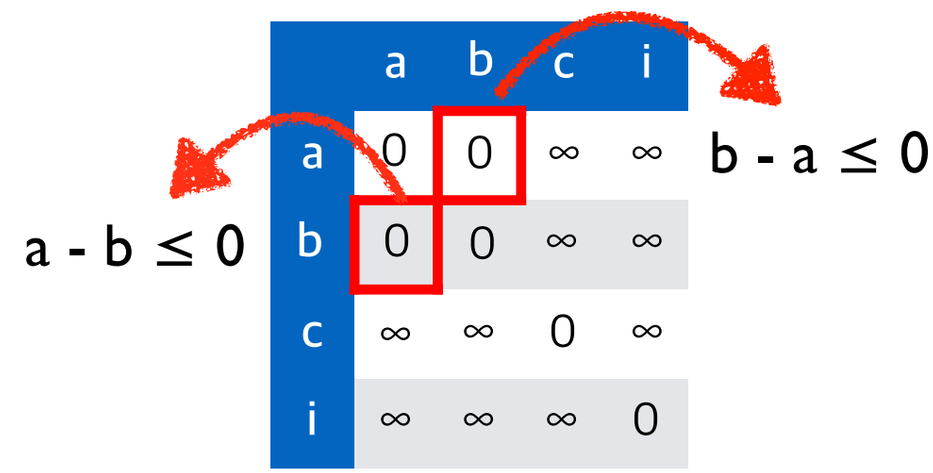

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Selective Relational Analysis

- Selectively tracking relationships among variables
  - within the same cluster

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$-\infty \leq c \leq +\infty$

{a,b,i} {c}

PLDI'14

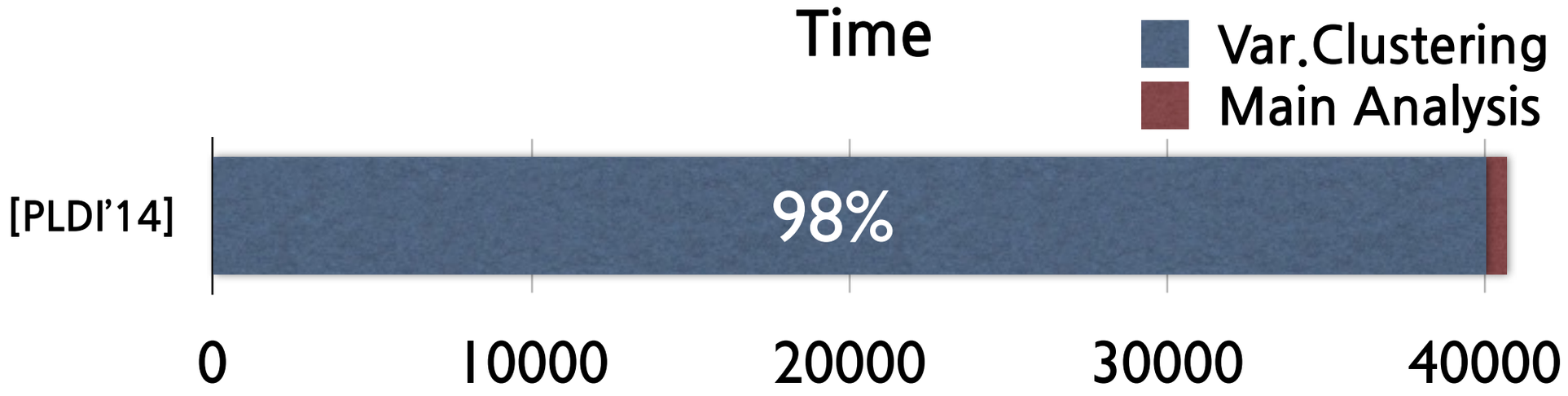
Previous Solution

- Variable clustering by impact pre-analysis
  - estimating the impact of relationships
  - more scalable than the baseline Octagon analysis
  - more scalable & precise than other clustering methods

PLDI'14

Problem

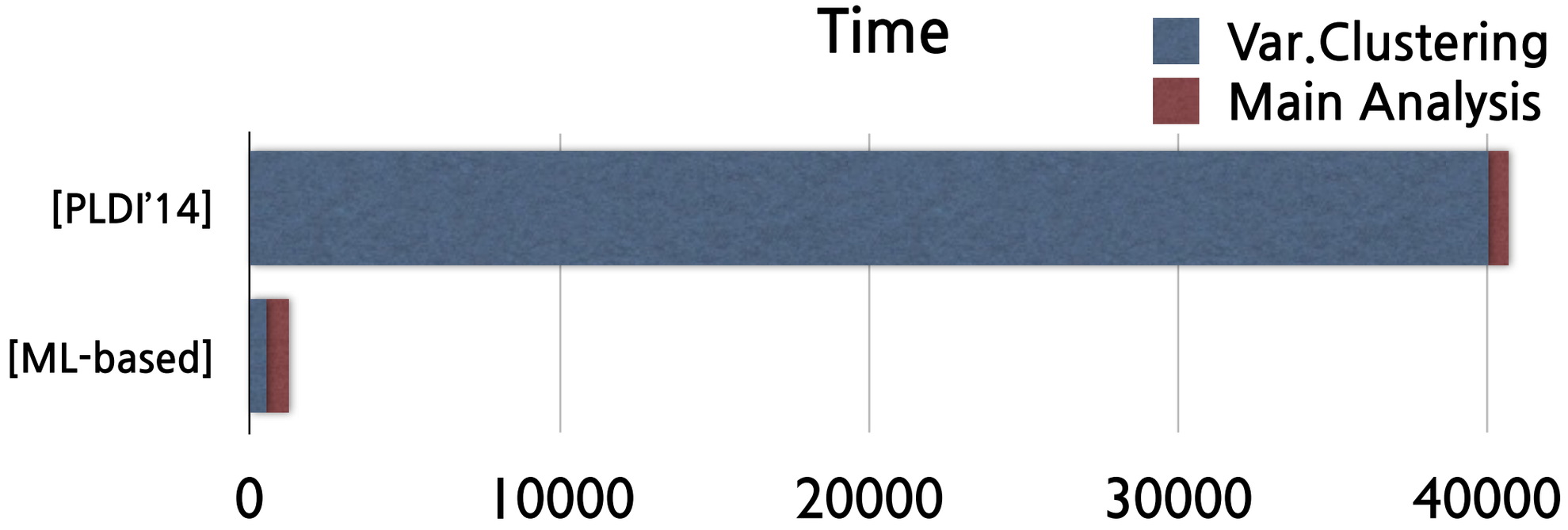
- Variable clustering by impact pre-analysis
  - fully relational pre-analysis as an online estimator
  - e.g.) 17 open source benchmarks (~100KLOC)



This Work

New Solution

- Learning a variable-clustering strategy from big data
  - fully relational pre-analysis as an offline teacher
  - 33x faster yet similarly precise



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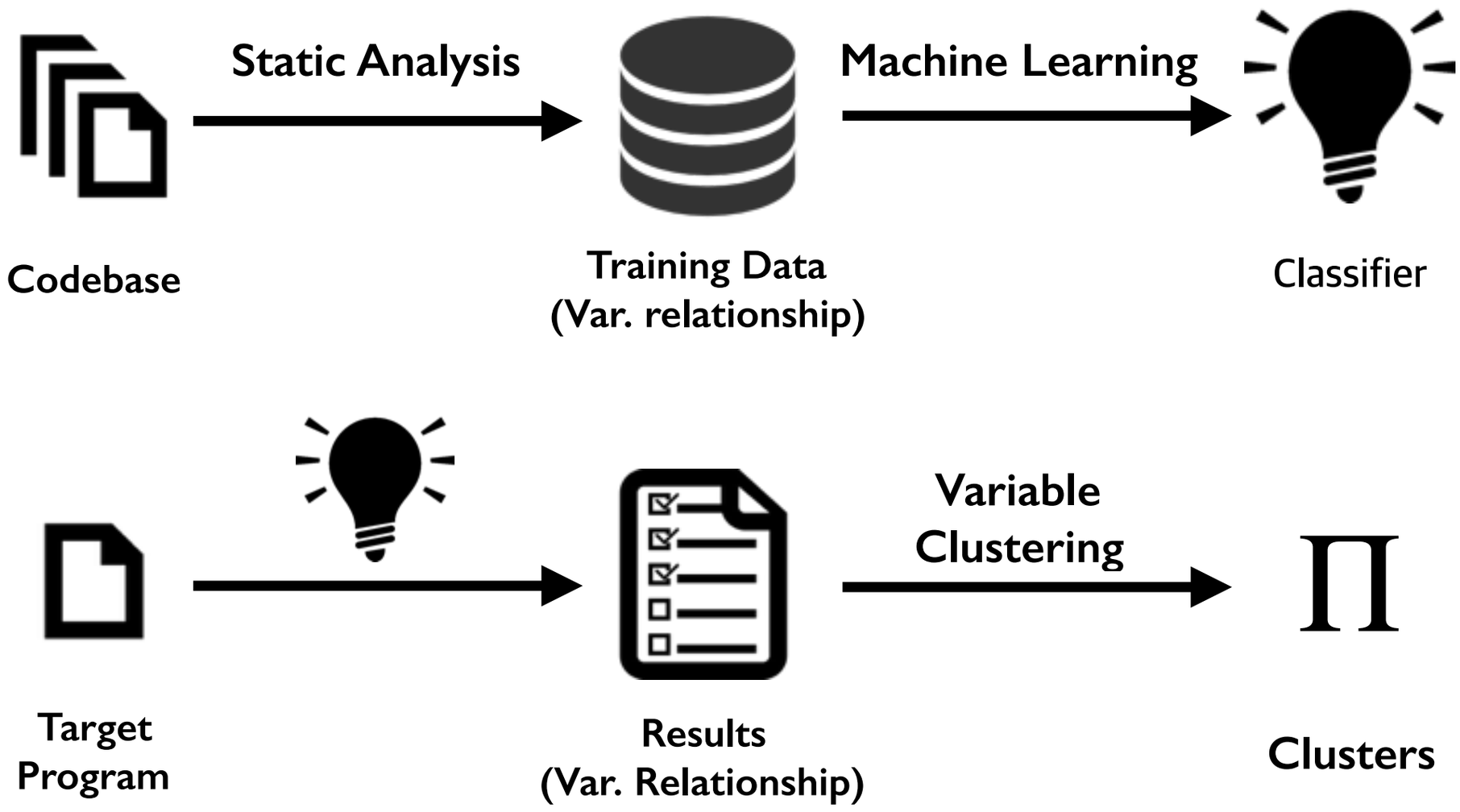

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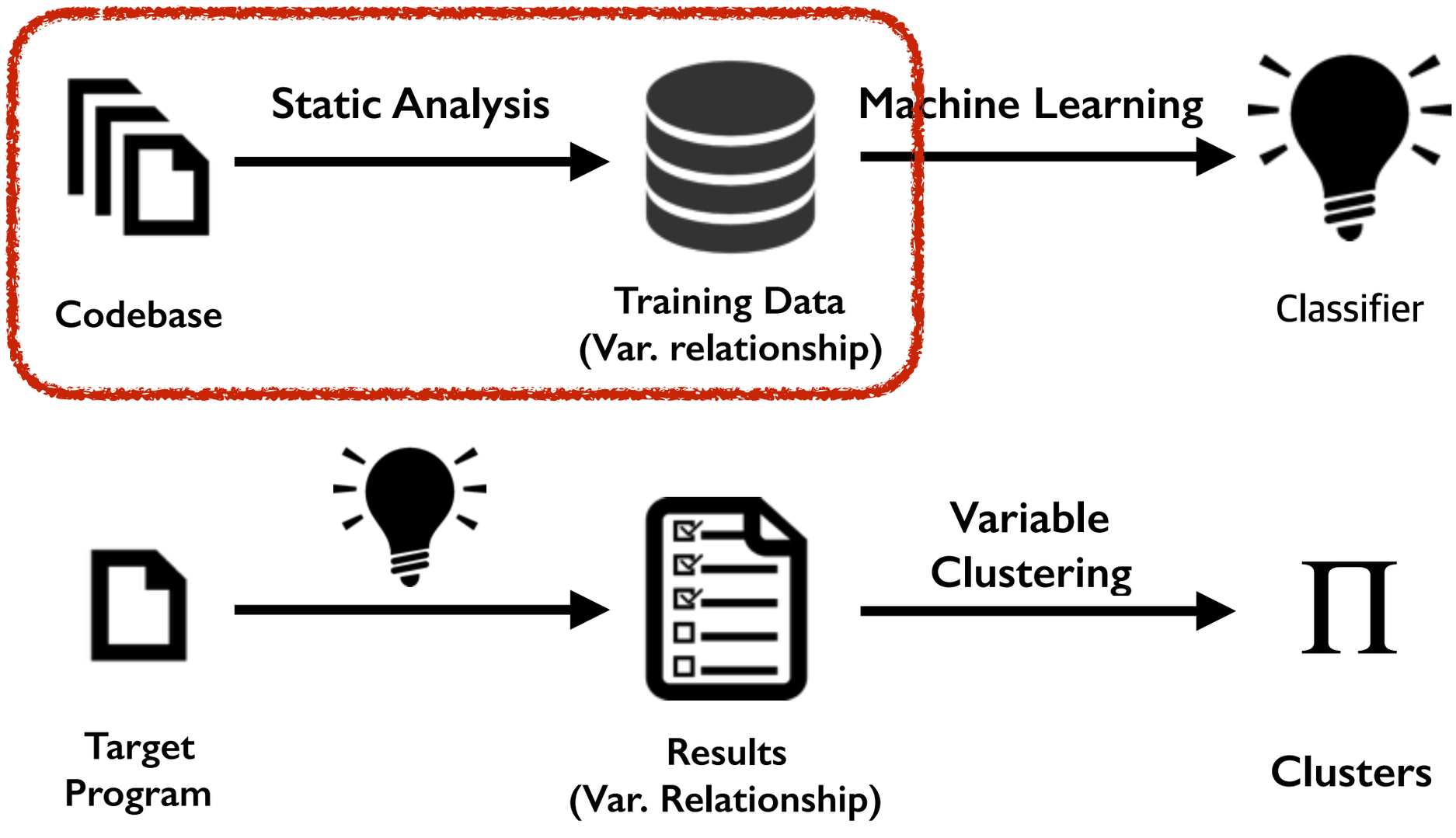

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  - ⊕: precise (< +∞), ⊖: imprecise (= +∞)

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Octagon Analysis

⊕ : {(a,b), (a,i), (b,a) …}

⊖ : {(a,c), (b,c), (c,a) …}

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- Automatically generated by impact pre-analysis[PLDI'14]
  - fully relational, yet more scalable than the full octagon

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$$\gamma(\bigstar) = \mathbb{Z}$$
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Impact Pre-analysis

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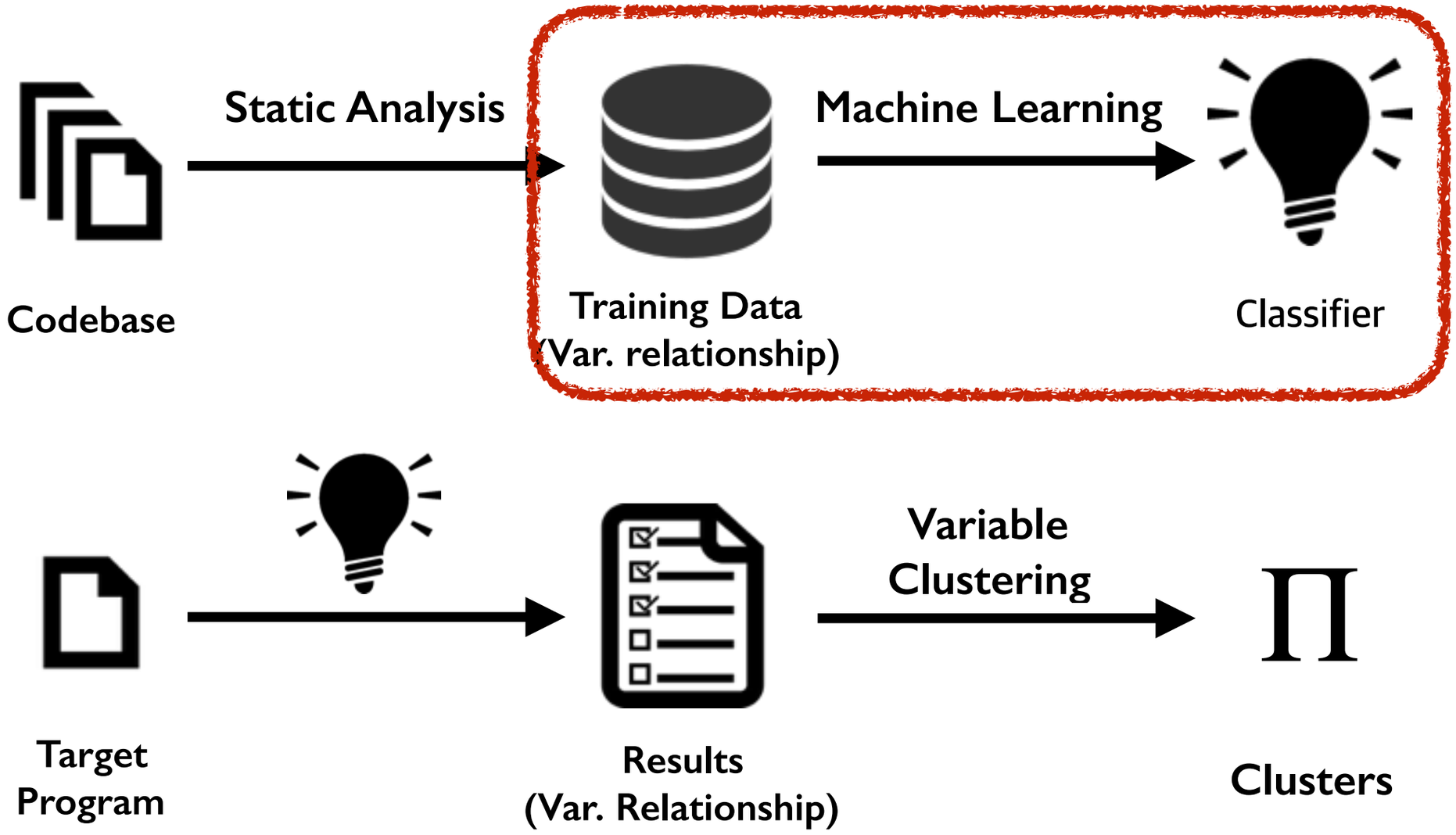

Features

- 30 Features of variable pairs
  - boolean predicate of (x,y) in program P

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- `x=malloc(y)` or `y=malloc(x)`
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(Negative situations for Octagon)
- `x=cy` or `y=cx (c != 1)`
- `x=yz` or `y=xz`
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- x or y is a field
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- Importance of features by Gini Index
  - negative & general > positive & domain-specific

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*Top 5 most important features

Classifier

- Learning a binary classifier $\mathcal{C} : Var \times Var \rightarrow \{\oplus, \ominus\}$
  - using an off-the-shelf ML algorithm: decision tree
- Why decision tree?
  - more expressive than linear models
  - e.g.) Octagon with logistic regression : 10~12x slower

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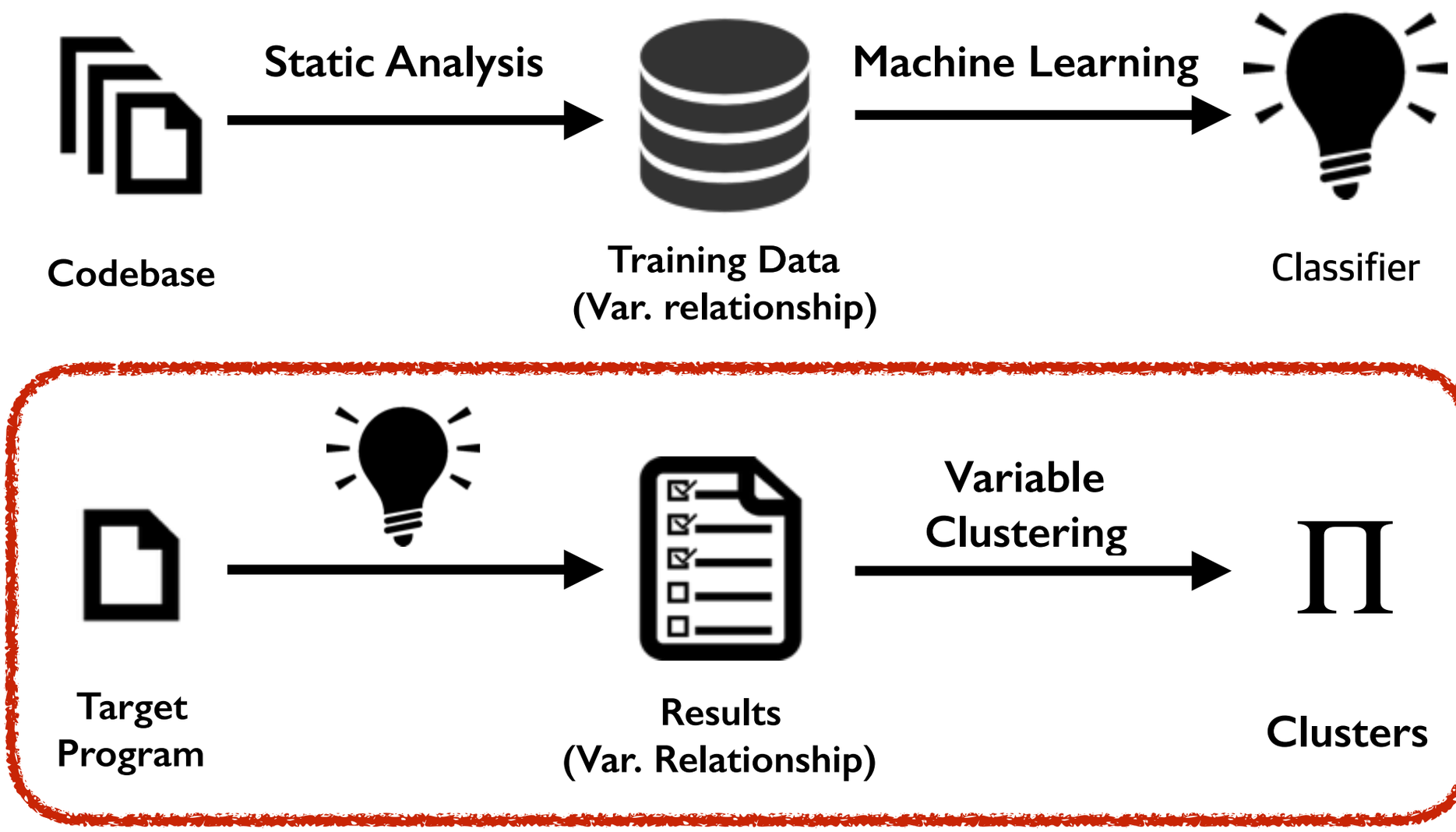

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  - naturally covers transitive relationships

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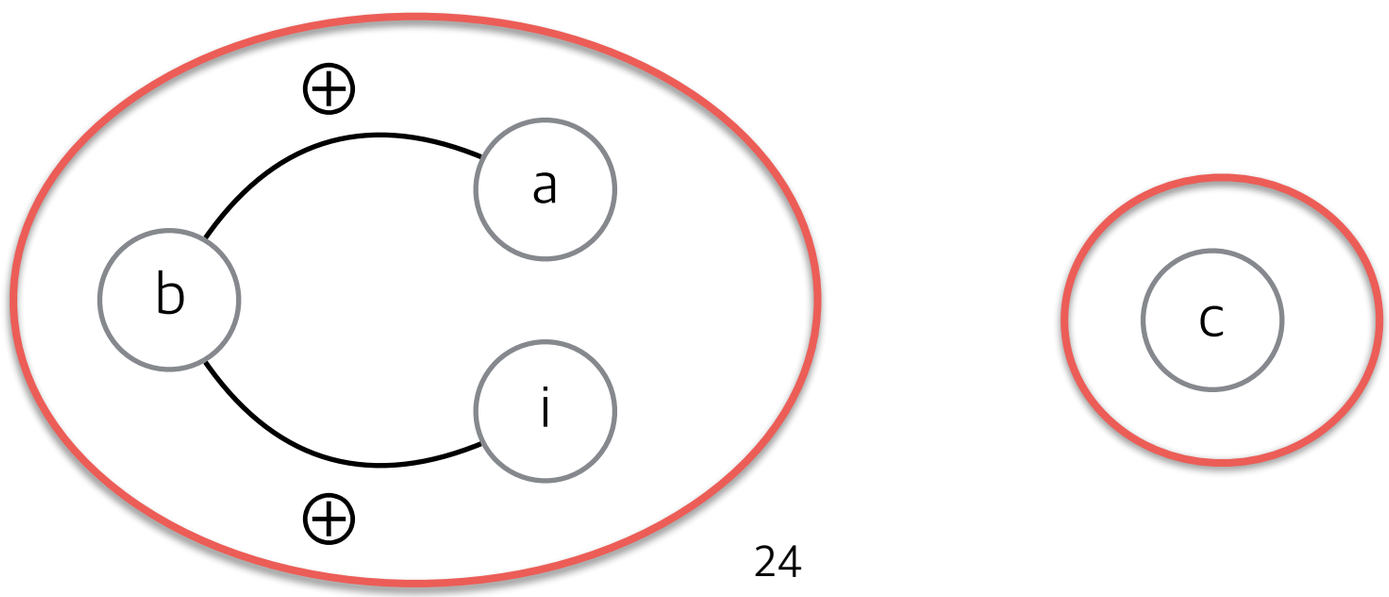

Experiments

- Implemented on top of Sparrow The Early Bird
  - sound & global analyzer
  - a buffer overrun detector for full C
- 17 open source benchmarks (~100KLOC)

Experimental Results

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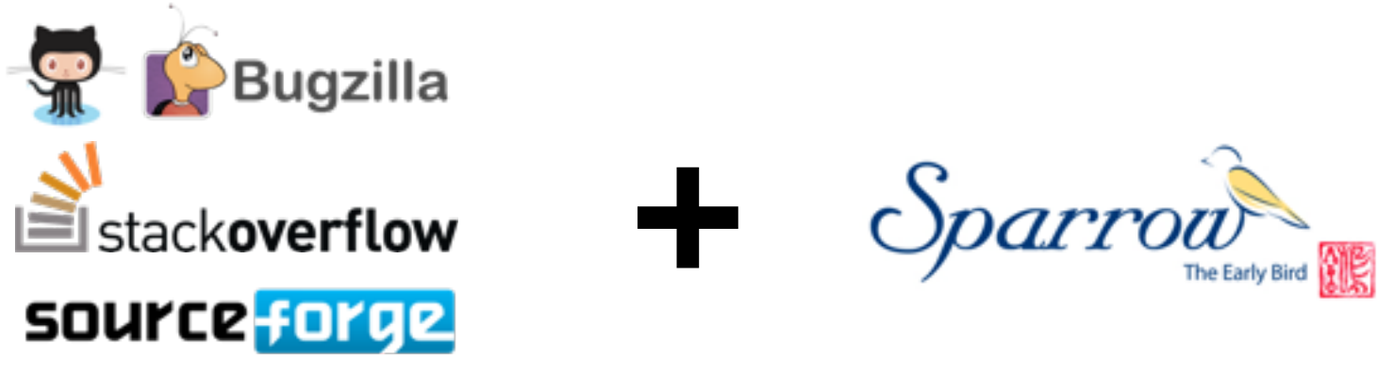
Summary



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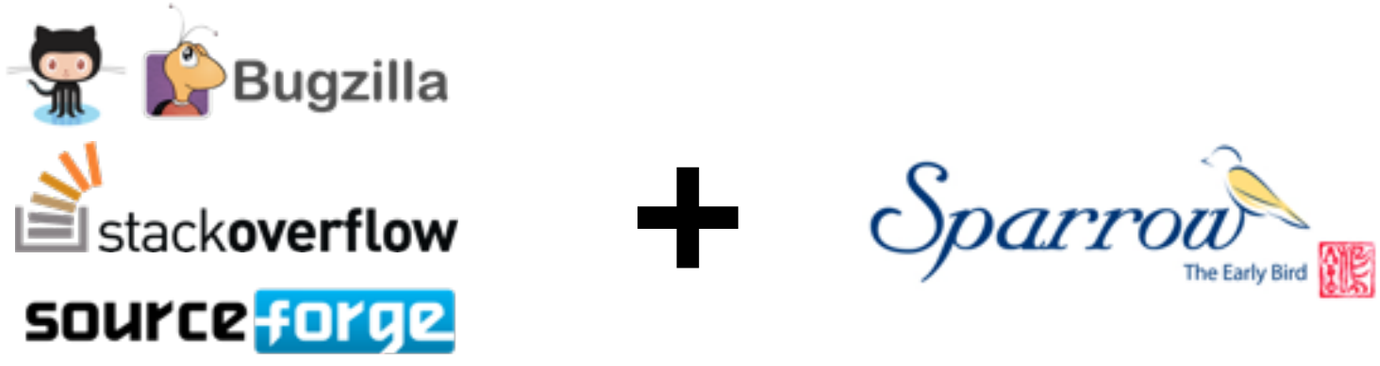

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