

185.307: PL Seminar – Symbolic Execution

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Executes programs in absence of concrete input data

- ▶ i.e. all data is **symbolic**
- ▶ precise, path-wise analysis

Applications

- ▶ testing, bug-hunting, verification

History

- ▶ **1976**: *Symbolic Execution and Program Testing*
- ▶ **1977**: *Symbolic Testing and the DISSECT Symbolic Evaluation System*
- ▶ **2000**: *Bandera: A Source-level Interface for Model Checking Java Programs*
- ▶ ...
- ▶ **2012**: *TRACER: A Symbolic Execution Tool for Verification*

Where?

- ▶ Library E185/1, Argentinierstraße 8, 4th floor

When?

- ▶ **26.03.2013**: announcement of topics
- ▶ 09.04.2013: selection of topics
- ▶ 04.06.2013 (11.06.2013): presentations & discussions I (II)