

Sleipnir - Constraints and Randomization for Software Defined Data Types

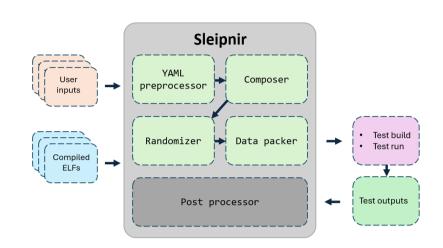
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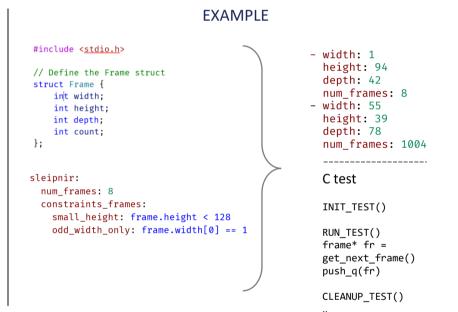
MOTIVATION

- Low level software-based tests are increasingly used for functional verification of complex SOCs.
- Stimulus randomization for C/C++ tests continues to be a challenge.
- We present a python library that can randomize complex C/C++ data types based on constraints and distributions and a C++ library to efficiently consume it.
- Proven to save developer time and improve verification quality.

OVERVIEW



KEY IDEA ELF+ C library C code DWARF Stimulus struct 1 Pkt* binaries union get_pkt(DIE extract • # \downarrow DV test Equivalent PyVSC Human User objects ✓ Simulation readable Emulation input (debug) Validation Randomize 🥐 Python **A**YAML **Binary** ○ C/C++



RESULTS

Successfully used by SS and SoC level DV teams for multiple projects. Top 3 outcomes with their corresponding impact listed below:

Outcome	Impact
Enable complex constraints that dictate generation of valid, randomized samples of C data types.	10x more randomized test cases in end-end test cases.
Enable efficient C++ tests to exercise the design that work in simulation emulation and validation platforms.	35% reduction in simulation time due to efficient tests.
Help maintain single source of truth (SSOT) across software and DV teams.	60% lesser turn around time for DV tests when design changes

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