A New Relational Solver for the Alloy Analyzer

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What is Alloy?

- A formal language for software specification based on predicate calculus and relational calculus
- Supports set operations like union, & intersection, and relational operations like product, & join
- The Alloy Analyzer is a static tool that analyzes Alloy models



Main Features of New Relational Solver

• Based on an SMT theory of finite relations

• Can prove properties in unbounded domains

• Supports unbounded integers (Alloy's solver supports fixed-bitwidth integers)

• Implements a new semantics for integer signatures (or sets) (Interprets arithmetic operators as relational joins)

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