## Intention-based variant integration

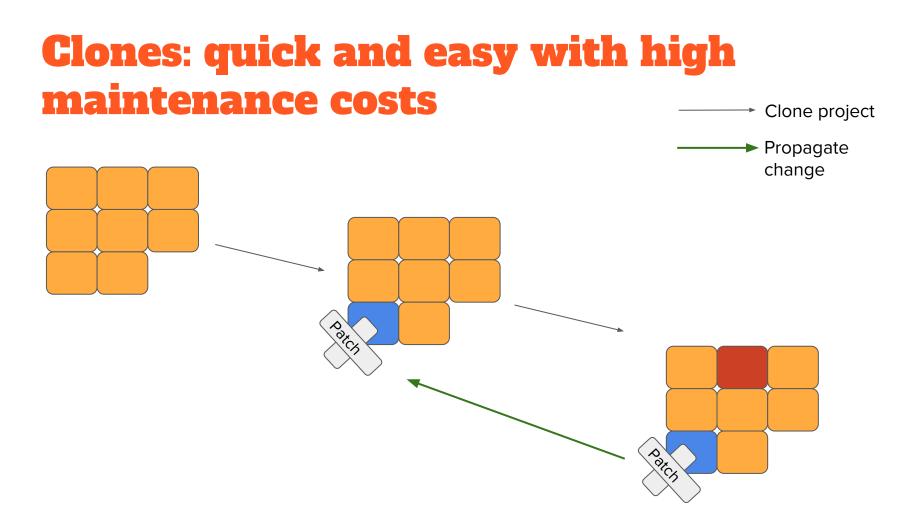
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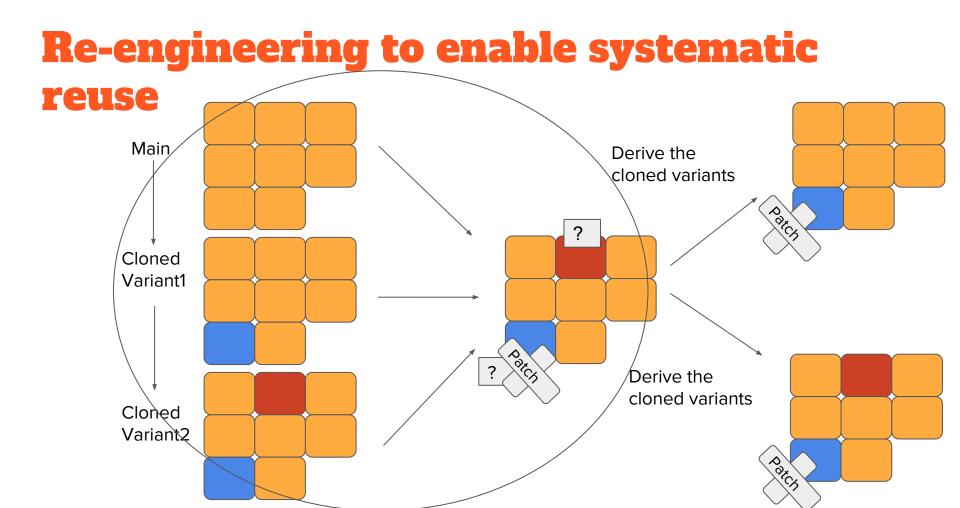
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- Background: Clones, clones, clones
- Solution: Intention-based clone integration
- Evaluation: Replaying integration scenarios





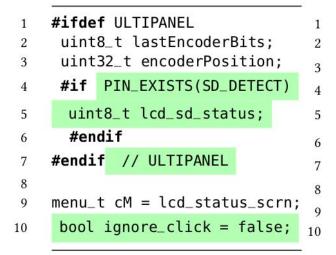
#### Variant integration vs. regular merging

- Variant integration: cohabilitiating features to enable variants (semantics!)
- Regular merging: greedy delegate conflicts (syntax!)
- Goals are different:
  - Ensuring that multiple features work together, contra
  - Single implementation of parallel changes

## **Diffing to the rescue?**

#ifdef ULTIPANEL	1 #ifdef ULTIPANEL
<pre> uint8_t lastEncoderBits;</pre>	<pre>2 3 uint8_t lastEncoderBits; 4 ③ int8 t encoderDiff;</pre>
<pre>uint32_t encoderPosition; #if PIN_EXISTS(SD_DETECT) uint8_t lcd_sd_status;</pre>	<pre>5 uint32_t encoderPosition; 6 7</pre>
#endif	<pre>8  #if (SDCARDDETECT &gt; 0) 9  bool lcd_oldcardstatus;</pre>
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<pre> @menu_t cM = lcd_status_scrn; bool ignore_click = false; </pre>	12 13 14 bool ignore_click = false;

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	<pre>f ULTIPANEL 8_t lastEncoderBits;</pre>
int	8_t encoderDiff;
uint	<pre>32_t encoderPosition;</pre>
#if	(SDCARDDETECT > 0)
boo	<pre>l lcd_oldcardstatus;</pre>
#end	if
#endi	f //ULTIPANEL

menu\_t cM = lcd\_status\_scrn;

Mainline

Fork

#### Diff doesn't work :(

#ifde	F FORK
#if	(SDCARDDETECT > 0)
bo	<pre>ool lcd_oldcardstatus;</pre>
#else	
#if	PIN_EXISTS(SD_DETECT)
u	int8_t lcd_sd_status;
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#### diff -D FORK

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46	46	#ifdef TEMP_SENSOR_1_AS_REDUNDANT			
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	49	+#endif			
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## **Proper integrated AST is hard to construct by hand**

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6	<pre>uint32_t encoderPosition;</pre>
7	<b>#ifdef</b> FORK
8	<b>#if</b> SDCARDDETECT > 0
9	<pre>bool lcd_oldcardstatus;</pre>
10	#endif
11	#else
12	<pre>#if PIN_EXISTS(SD_DETECT)</pre>
13	<pre>uint8_t lcd_sd_status;</pre>
14	#endif
15	#endif
16	#endif
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18	<pre>menu_t cM = lcd_status_scrn;</pre>
19	<pre>#ifndef FORK</pre>
20	<pre>bool ignore_click = false;</pre>

21 #endif

#### Our goal:

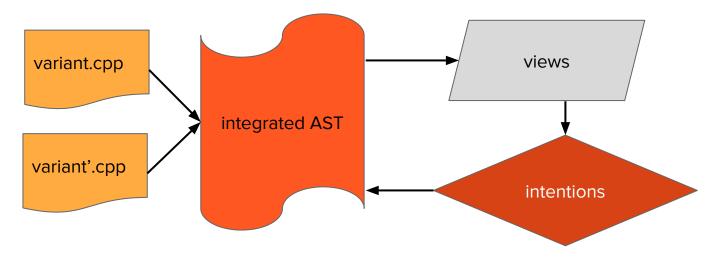
# Support *re-engineering* of clone-based *variants* into software product lines using *intentions* and views

Achieved by:

- Abstraction from source code
- Intuitive intentions
- Views to explore results
- Interactive process

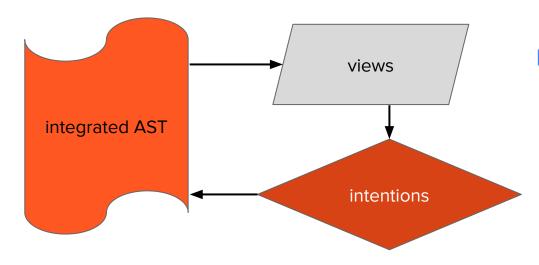
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**Benefits**:

- The code can be compiled
- Test suites can be run
- Variants can be derived

#### **Views and intentions in action**

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**INGLINE in action!** 

#### What are integration intentions?

- Intentions are intuitive declarations reflecting the developer's integration goal
   e.g., keep functionality, remove functionality, keep as configurable feature
- Declared on blocks of code, shown in the different views
- Control the desired structure of the integrated file
- Intentions are automatically resolved on the integrated AST
- Benefits: raise abstraction level from #if structures to intuitive intentions

#### **Intentions**:

- Keep
- Remove
- KeepAsFeature
- Exclusive
- AssignFeature
- Postpone

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#ifndef FORK // block\_not\_fork
int servo\_e1[] = SE
int servo\_e2[] = SEA
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Keep intention

Result

#### **Intentions: Exclusive**

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<pre>#ifndef FORK //block2</pre>	
<pre>lcd.print(msg);</pre>	
<pre>#else #ifdef FIL_DISPLAY //block1</pre>	<pre>#ifndef FIL_DISPLAY     lcd.print(msg);</pre>
<pre>if(condition){</pre>	#else
<pre>lcd.print(msg);</pre>	<pre>if(condition){     lcd.print(msg);</pre>
}	}
else{	<pre>else{     lcd.print(trnsf(data));</pre>
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}	#endif
#endif #endif	

*Exclusive* intention

Result

#### **Evaluation - so far**

- 1. Completeness intentions suffice
- 2. Correctness intentions execution produces correct results
- 3. Efficiency using intentions is faster than using unstructured approach

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### **Evaluation observations (so far)**

- 1. Completeness: The intentions suffice for performing common integration tasks. Often, just using *Keep* and *Remove* resolve the task.
- 2. Correctness: When the intentions are correctly declared, they produce a correctly integrated configurable platform.
- 3. Efficiency: Developers need to perform substantially fewer operations using our approach.

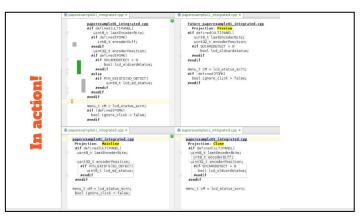
#### **Evaluation - next step**

Challenges:

- Getting more examples (open source + industry projects)
- Controlled experiment, given better tool and intentions:
  - User study: students and professional developers to perform integration tasks
  - Compare **time/efficiency** and **correctness**



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