

# **Exploiting Structure and Behavior of Highly Configurable Systems to Measure Performance**

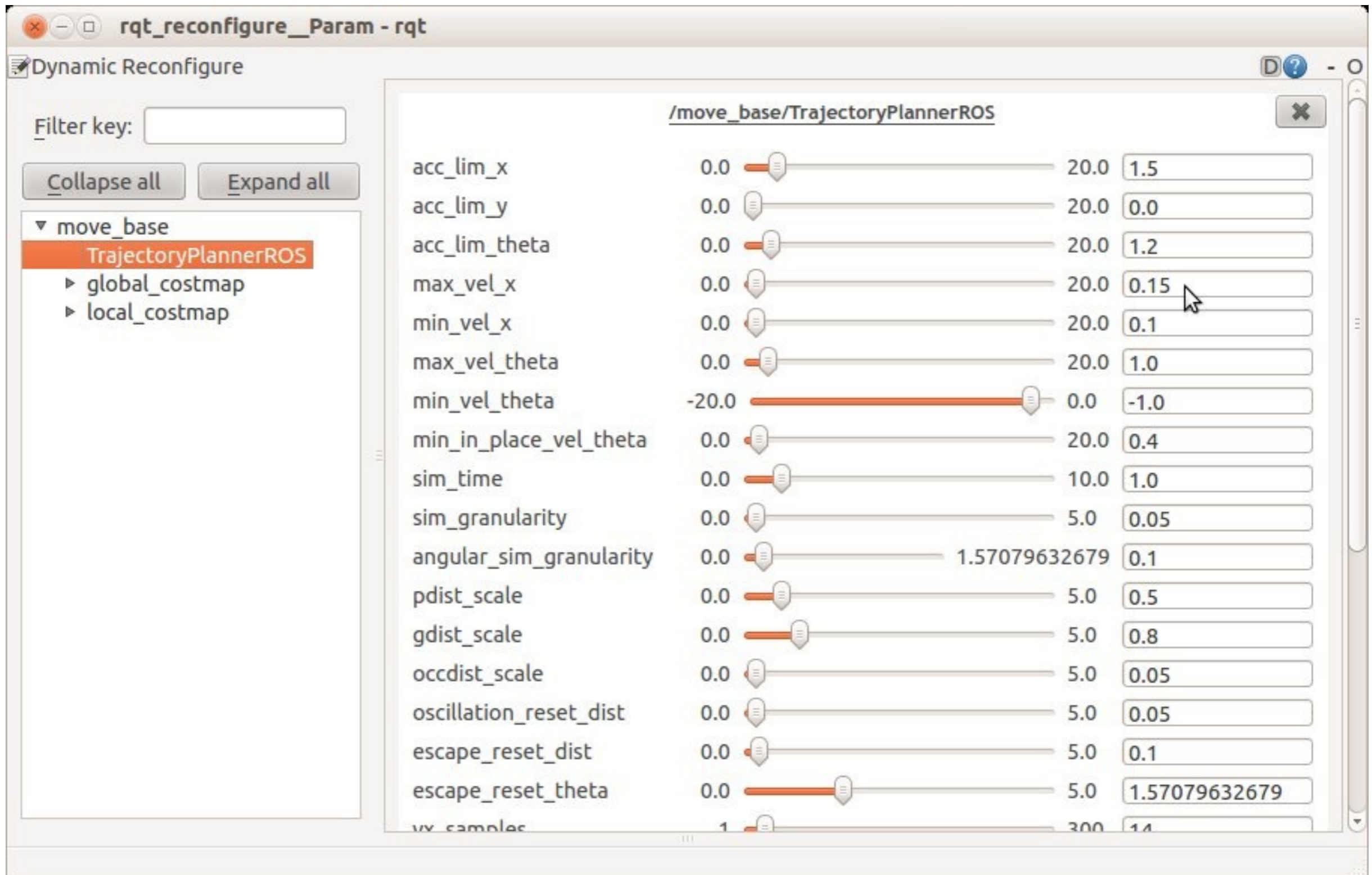
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# Most software is highly configurable



# Measuring performance in HCS is difficult

For developers and users

Overwhelmed by choices

Lose track of interactions

# In an ideal world

“For each valid configuration,  $x$  is the  $y$  you will get”

$y$  = quality attribute

$x$  = actual value

Configuration	Execution Time
A=0 B=0 C=0 D=0	6s
A=0 B=0 C=1 D=1	6s
A=1 B=0 C=0 D=1	9s
...	...

$$T = 3A + 1AB + 6$$

# Black-Box Approach

	A	B	C	D	T
1	0	0	0	0	6
2	0	0	0	1	6
3	0	0	1	0	6
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# Black-Box in practice

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# Ideally

Want to find interactions

Identify what we need to measure

Determine if we do not need to measure all configurations

**Our Proposal: Exploit Structure and  
Behavior of the Program to Measure  
Performance**

# White-Box Analysis

A B C D

x = A

y = B

sleep(6)

if (x)

sleep(3)

if (y)

sleep(1)

# What We Can Do With Structure and Behavior

Determine how options are used

Identify interactions

Compare execution traces based on configurations

Know if we need to execute all configurations or subset

# **Approach: Combine Static Taint Analysis with Dynamic Analysis**

AB

## Goal

$x = A$

$y = B$

sleep(6)

if(x)

A? [ sleep(3)

if(y)

B? [ sleep(1)

# Static Taint Analysis



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 $\text{if}(x)$   
     $\text{sleep}(3)$   
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$y = B$       $\{x_A, y_B\}$

$\text{sleep}(6)$       $\{x_A, y_B\}$

if ( $x$ )

$\text{sleep}(3)$

if ( $y$ )

$\text{sleep}(1)$

# Static Taint Analysis

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$x = A$       $\{x_A\}$

$y = B$       $\{x_A, y_0\}$

$\text{sleep}(6)$       $\{x_A, y_0\}$

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$\text{if}(y)$   
 $\text{sleep}(1)$

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$B? \left[ \text{sleep}(1) \right. \left. \{x_A, y_0\} \right]$

# Relevant Statements and Options

A B

$x = A$

$y = B$

sleep(6)

① [ if  $F(x) \leftrightarrow \{x_A y_0\}$

A? [ sleep(3)

② [ if  $F(y) \leftrightarrow \{x_A y_0\}$

B? [ sleep(1)

A  
0  
1

B  
0  
1

# Relevant Statements and Options

AB

$x = A$

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sleep(6)

AB

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①  $\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{if } F(x) \leftrightarrow \{x_A y_0\} \end{array} \right.$

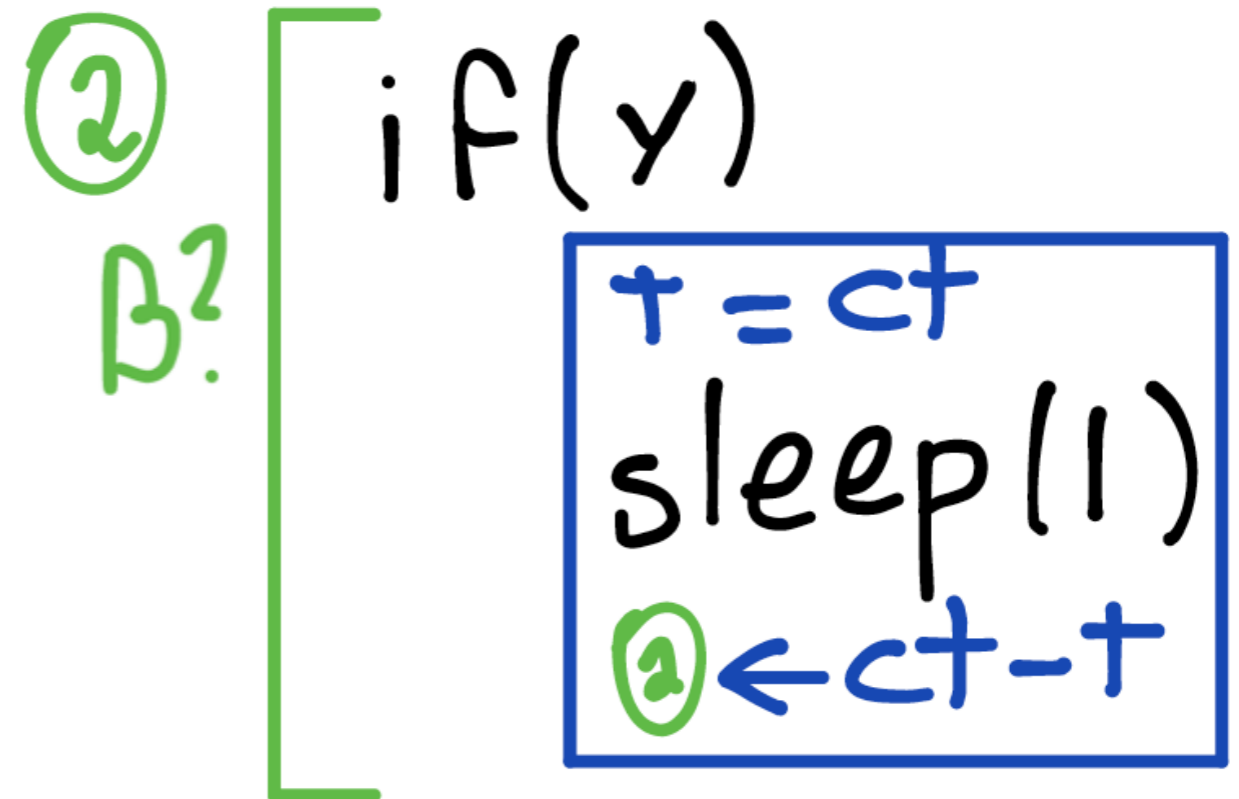
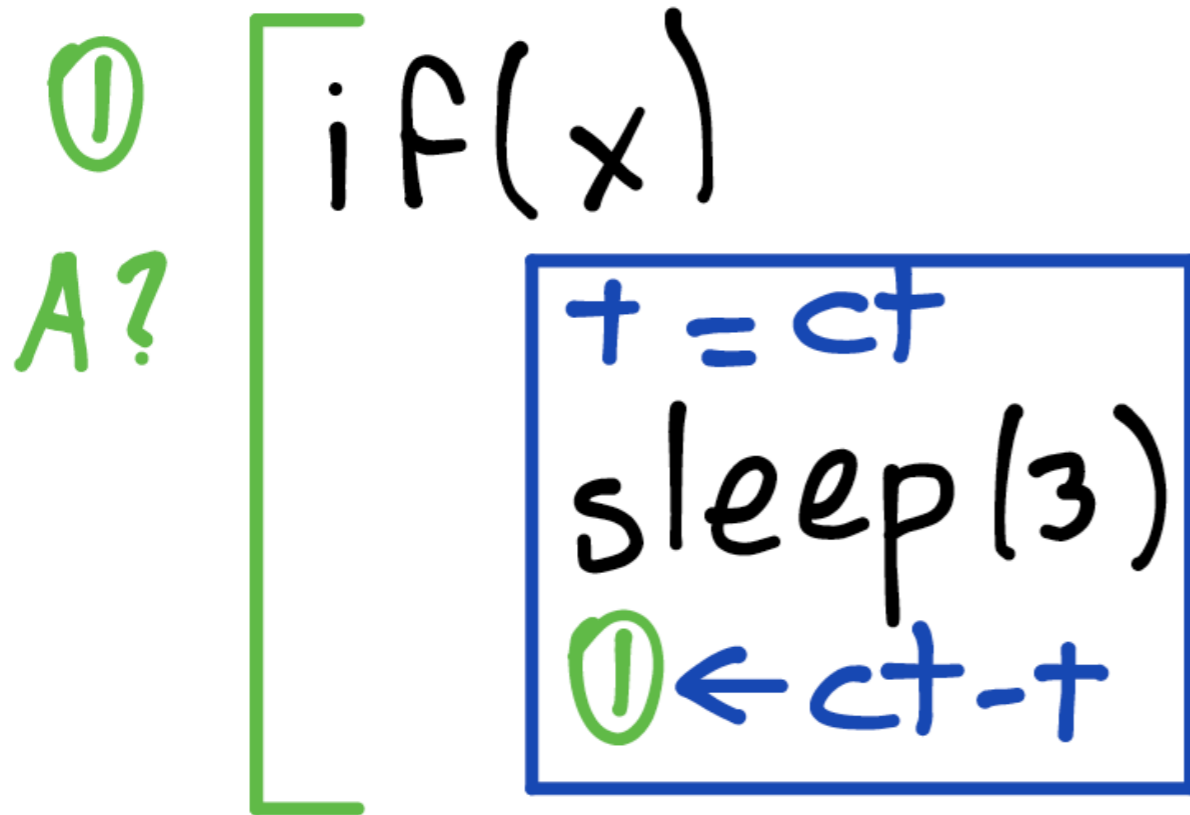
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②  $\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{if } F(y) \leftrightarrow \{x_A y_0\} \end{array} \right.$

$B? \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{sleep}(1) \end{array} \right.$

# Dynamic Analysis

# Transform AST



AB    ①    ②  
00  
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# Building Performance Table

AB

+ = then - = else

x = A

y = B

sleep(6)

AB

①

②

T

1	0	0
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① [ if(x) ↔ {x\_A y\_0}  
 A? [ sleep(3)

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1  
2

0 0  
1 1

- 0

- 0

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3	1 0	+3	-0	9

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without executing

# **Future Directions**

# Apply in Real Programs

C

Java

**RQ: How often can we exploit lack of interactions to measure performance?**

# Augment Tracking Information

$x = A$

$y = B$

sleep(6)

A? [ if(x)  
sleep(3)

B? [ if(y)  
sleep(0)

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$y = B$

sleep(6)

A [ if(x)  
sleep(3)

B? [ if(y)  
sleep(0)



# Augment Tracking Information

```
x = A
y = B
sleep(6)
A [ if(x)
    sleep(3)
B? [ if(y)
    sleep(0)
```

# Summary

- From Black-Box to White-Box
- Static Taint Analysis with Dynamic Analysis
- New pruning strategies in real programs

AB

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x=A
y=B
sleep(6)
① [ if(x) ↔ {x_A y_0}
   A? [ sleep(3)
② [ if(y) ↔ {x_A y_0}
   B? [ sleep(1)

```

+=then -=else

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without executing

# Data-flow Example

A B C D

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$y = B$

sleep(6)

①  $\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{if } f(x) \leftrightarrow \{x_A, y_B\} \end{array} \right.$

A?

sleep(3)

$y = 1 \leftrightarrow \{x_A, y_A\}$

②

A B?

$\left[ \text{if } f(y) \leftrightarrow \{x_A, y_B, y_A\} \right.$

sleep(1)