# Goblint: Abstract Interpretation for Memory Safety and Termination

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# Goblint in 4 bullet points

- Static analyzer for C programs
  - Based on abstract interpretation — sound!
  - Overapproximating — no violations!
  - Specializes in multi-threaded programs — best in *NoDataRace*!

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**Result**

A basic termination analysis in a few hundred lines of code.

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**Challenge:** How to check this thread-modularly?

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# First Attempt

- Poses many exciting challenges, e.g.,
  - more expressive MHP abstractions
  - more expressive (relational) heap domains
  - ...

# Thank you!

- Support for termination
- Support for memory safety, also for concurrent programs

- Only **sound** tool to support all properties
- Second best score in **ConcurrencySafety-MemSafety** (after Deagle)


/goblint/analyzer

# Further reading


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