# Applying Automata Learning to Embedded Control Software

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#### Contributions

Completely learn industrial software

Novel FSM-based conformance testing method



# Why models?

- Testing (new) implementations,
  i.e. conformance testing
- Testing properties of the system,
  i.e. model checking
- Derive implementations automatically,
  i.e. code generation





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#### Goal: Automatically learn a model

















But: Who is the teacher?



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Learner is implemented by LearnLib





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Error M



3410 states

77 actions

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- W-method?





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 We adopted an algorithm by Lee and Yannakakis. This generates less, but longer suffixes.





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One run of the learning process with three different test methods

states learned

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Solution: Manually select sub alphabet for thorough testing



#### **Final results**

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See talk on learning TCP for **abstractions** and **model checking**!

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### Thank you!

