

Smart Contract Analysis and Verification

solv: a property-checking tool for the Solidity language

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Introduction

As smart contracts gain more and more applications across many industries, security and correctness of them has become more important than ever. A property-checking tool for smart contracts written in the Solidity language, *solv*, is developed in this project. Unlike other analysis tools, *solv* incorporates user's input on what properties the smart contract is expected to satisfy in its analysis.

Flow of *solv*

1. Properties declared in source code as special comments (Fig 1)
2. *solv* invoked in command-line (Fig 2)
3. Source code parsed and analyzed to obtain AST
4. Property checking tasks created (Fig 3)
5. AST checked against properties declared
6. Property checking results reported in the console (Fig 2)

```
1 pragma solidity >=0.4.22 <0.6.0;
2 contract Wallet {
3     address public owner; //@verifier fixed-after-init
4     uint amount;
5     ...
6 };
7
```

Property declaration with special comments

Fig 1. Property declaration as special comments

```
cmake-build-debug/solv/solv Bank.sol
===== Bank.sol =====
Function "changeOwner", which contains an assignment to the
fixed-after-init variable "owner", can be invoked through
a public function "somePublicFunc".
```

Fig 2. Example usage and output of *solv*

Results

The framework for property checking, as well as the command-line interface is fully developed in *solv*. There is currently one property, *fixed-after-init*, implemented in *solv*. Another property, *reentrant-safe*, is still under development. More techniques in property checking are to be incorporated.

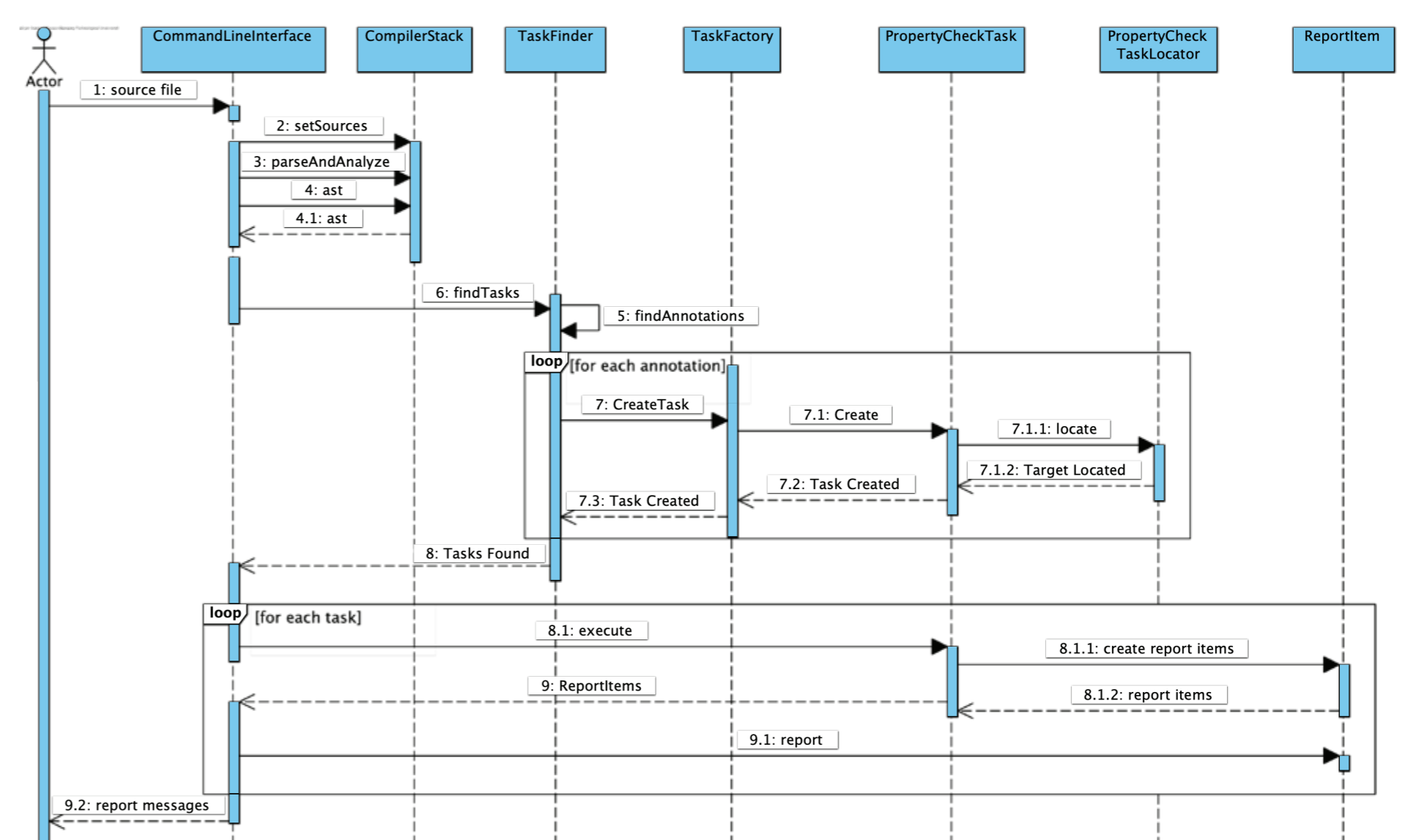


Fig 3. Sequence diagram of *solv*