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**A Toolkit for Generating and  
Displaying Proof Scores  
in the OTS/CafeOBJ Method**

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# Background

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## Formal Methods

- effective for systems are built safely and reliably.

## The OTS/CafeOBJ method [Ogata 2003-]

- can model distributed systems as transition systems called OTS (Observational Transition Systems)
- can describe the system in CafeOBJ which is an algebraic specification language
- can verify that the system has invariant properties by induction on number of transition rules applied.
- easy to learn for ordinary engineers
  - based on (one-way) equational reasoning

# Problem

## Verification in the OTS/CafeOBJ method

Hundreds or thousands lines code

Base case

proof passage

Inductive step for Transition<sub>1</sub>

Case splitting with pred.  $p_1$

Case:  $p_1$  holds

proof passage

Case:  $p_1$  doesn't hold

proof passage

Inductive step for Transition<sub>n</sub>

1. We must write proof score maintaining case splitting
2. We must check each reduced result is the expected term (= true)
  - 👉 human errors may occur.
  - 👉 disturb humans from concentrating on intellectual work.

```
open ISTEP
  op d1 : -> D1 .
  op d2 : -> D2 .
  ...
  eq p1 = true .
  ...
  eq s' = Transition1(s, ...) .
  red SIH implies istep(...) .
close
```

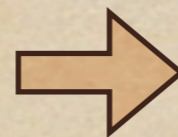
# Our solution

## Generating and checking proof scores

We must specify to generate proof scores:

1. predicate to be proven
2. list of predicates to be used in case splitting
3. list of lemmas to be strengthen induction hypothesis

```
mod PROOF-SCRIPT {  
  op  $d_1$  :  $\rightarrow D_1$  .  
  op  $d_2$  :  $\rightarrow D_2$  .  
  ...  
  eq basecase = inv(...) .  
  eq inductive = istep(...) .  
  trans predicates(Transition1(S)) =  $p_1$  .  
  ...  
  trans lemmas(Transition1(S)) =  $inv_1$  .  
  ...  
}
```



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proof passage

Inductive step for  $Transition_n$

Generated, Checked  
Display hierarchically

# **CASE tool platform**

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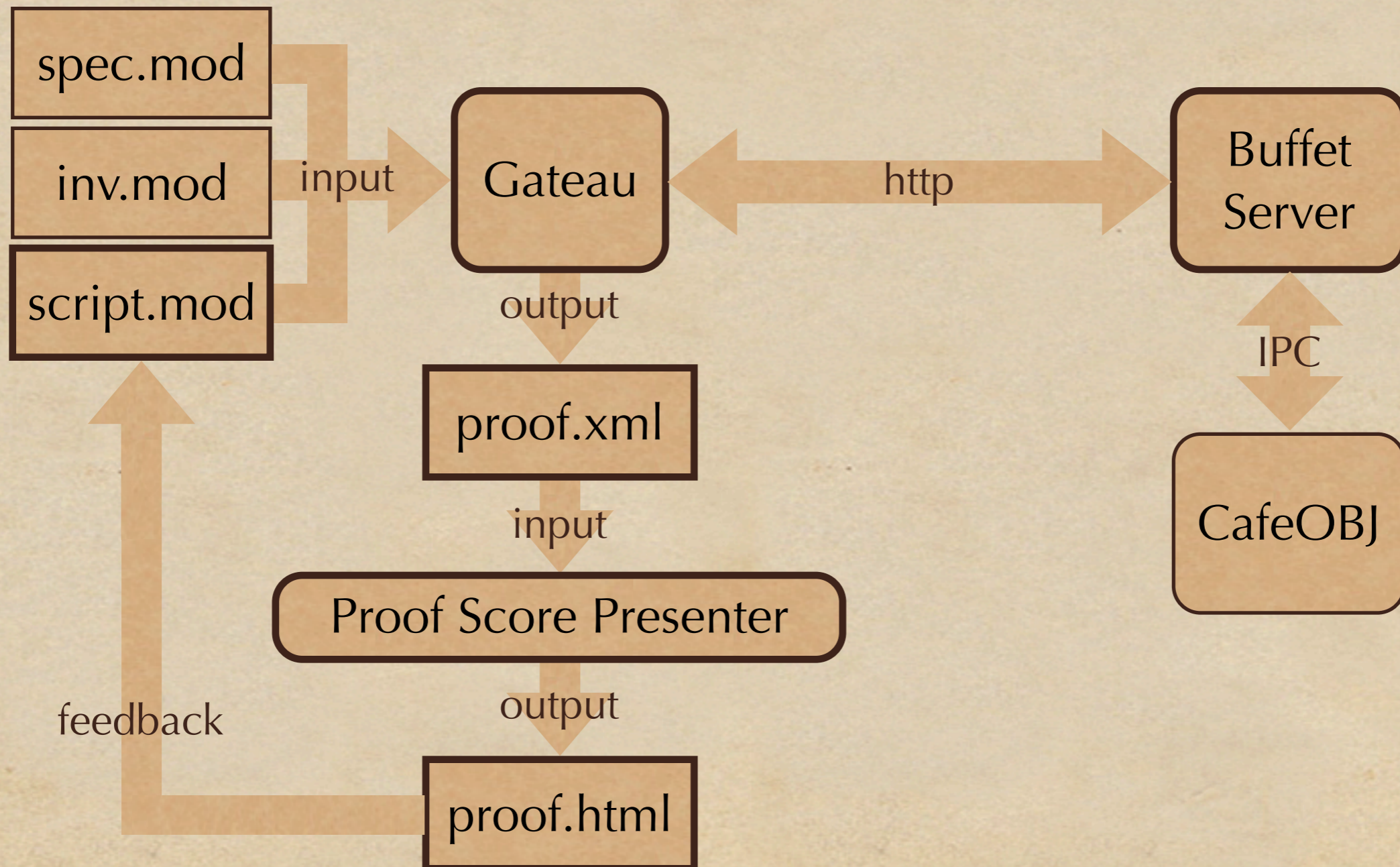
**We propose a CASE tool platform CafeOBJ/XML**

- based on XML technology
- has a syntax corresponding to abstract syntax of CafeOBJ
- also represents proofs

**Design policy of CafeOBJ/XML**

- scope: describing specifications and proofs.
- makes implementing CASE tools easier.
- doesn't depend a specific programming language.

# Overview of Buffet toolkit



# Ex. A Mutual Exclusion

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We verify that

```
var lock := false
l1: Remainder Section
l2: repeat until ¬(fetch&store(lock, true))
    Critical Section
cs: lock := false
```

**has the mutual exclusion property.**



# Modeling with OTS

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## Data types:

- $B = \{ \text{true}, \text{false} \}$  ..... Boolean values
- $P = \{ p_1, p_2, \dots \}$  ..... Set of process IDs
- $L = \{ l_1, l_2, \text{cs} \}$  ..... Set of location labels

Note that equivalence relation denoted by '=' for each data type have been defined.

# Modeling with OTS

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Universal state space:  $\Upsilon$

set of **Observers** =  $\{ o : \Upsilon \rightarrow D \}$

- $lock : \Upsilon \rightarrow B$
- $loc_p : \Upsilon \rightarrow L$  for  $p \in P$

set of **Initial states**

- $\{ s_0 \mid lock(s_0) = \text{false} \wedge \forall p \in P. loc_p(s_0) = |1 \}$

set of **Transitions** =  $\{ t : \Upsilon \rightarrow \Upsilon \}$

- $try_p : \Upsilon \rightarrow \Upsilon$  for  $p \in P$
- $enter_p : \Upsilon \rightarrow \Upsilon$  for  $p \in P$
- $leave_p : \Upsilon \rightarrow \Upsilon$  for  $p \in P$

# Modeling with OTS

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## Definition of $try_p$ :

**var**  $lock := false$

l1: Remainder Section

l2: **repeat until**

$\neg(\text{fetch\&store}(lock, true))$

Critical Section

cs:  $lock := false$

$c_{try_p}(s) \equiv loc_p(s) = l1$

$try_p(s')$  where  $c_{try_p}(s)$  holds

$lock(s') = lock(s)$

$loc_p(s') = l2$

$loc_q(s') = loc_p(s)$  if  $p \neq q$

where  $c_{try_p}(s)$  doesn't holds  
nothing changes

# Invariants

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Execution sequence  $\{s_0, s_1, \dots\}$  satisfies:

- $s_0$  is in the set of initial states
- there exists a transition for each pair of  $(s_i, s_{i+1})$

## Reachability

- State  $s$  is **reachable**: there exists an execution sequence of an OTS in which  $s$  appears.

## Invariants

- A predicate  $p$  such that  $p(s)$  holds for every reachable state  $s$ .
- In the ex.,  $\forall i, j \in P. loc(s, i) = cs \wedge loc(s, j) = cs \Rightarrow i = j$

# Describing invariant

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Invariant candidates are described:

```
mod INV { pr(OTS-SPEC)
```

```
op inv1 :  $\Upsilon$  ...  $\rightarrow$  Bool  
op inv2 :  $\Upsilon$  ...  $\rightarrow$  Bool  
...
```

Signatures of invariants

```
eq inv1(s :  $\Upsilon$ , ...) = ... .  
eq inv2(s :  $\Upsilon$ , ...) = ... .  
...
```

Invariants denoted by CafeOBJ term

```
mod ISTEP { pr(INV)
```

```
ops s s' :  $\rightarrow$   $\Upsilon$   
op istep1 : ...  $\rightarrow$  Bool  
op istep2 : ...  $\rightarrow$  Bool
```

```
eq istep1(...) = inv1(s, ...) implies inv1(s', ...) .  
eq istep2(...) = inv2(s, ...) implies inv2(s', ...) .
```

Terms denoting reasonings  
in the inductive step

# Buffet server

Buffet server relays requests/responses between a client to the CafeOBJ system

• we can get the information of already defined/loaded CafeOBJ specification from the CafeOBJ system

inv.mod  
script.mod

Gateau

http

Buffet Server

IPC

CafeOBJ

but, it's fragmentary

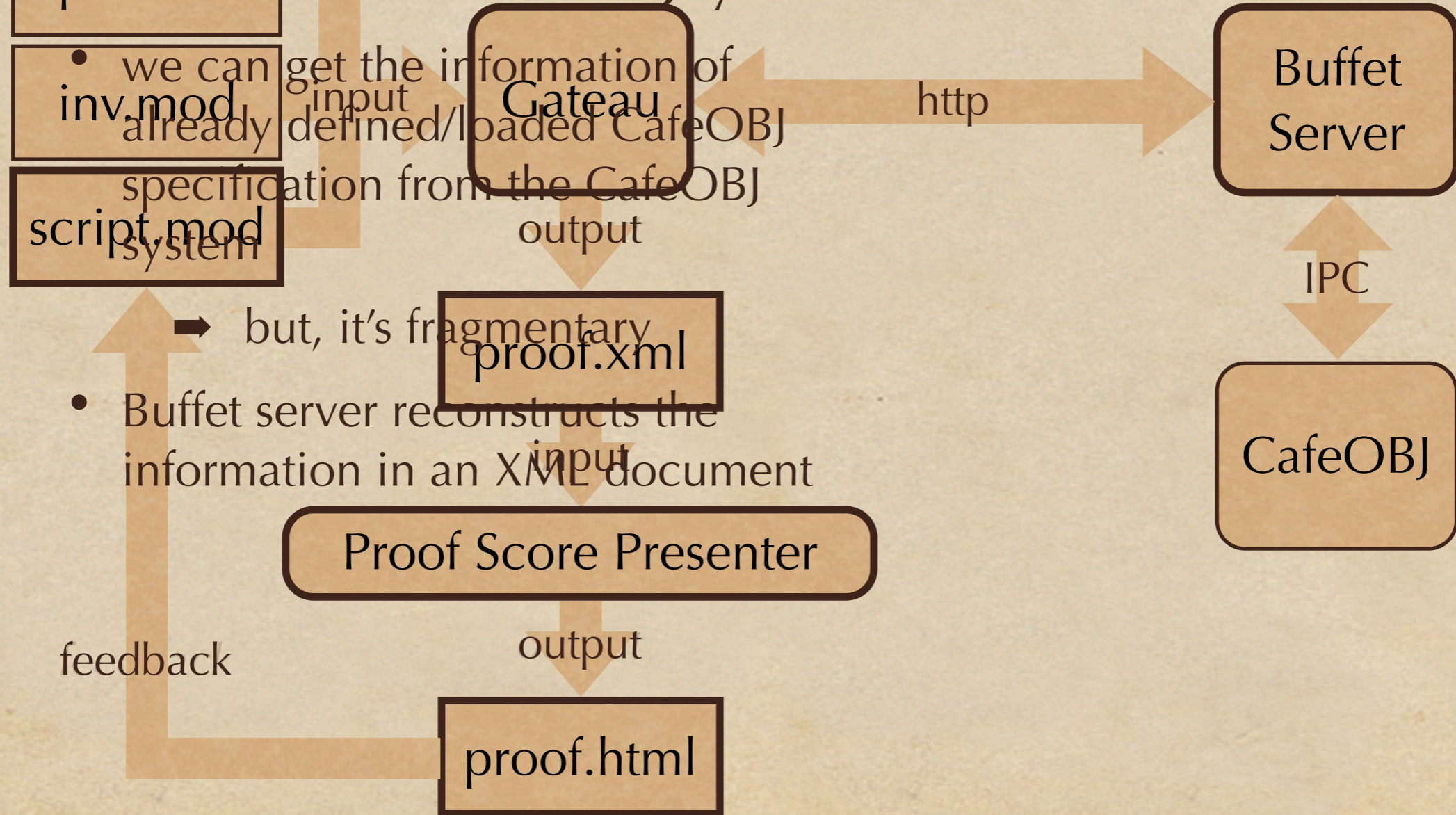
proof.xml

- Buffet server reconstructs the information in an XML document

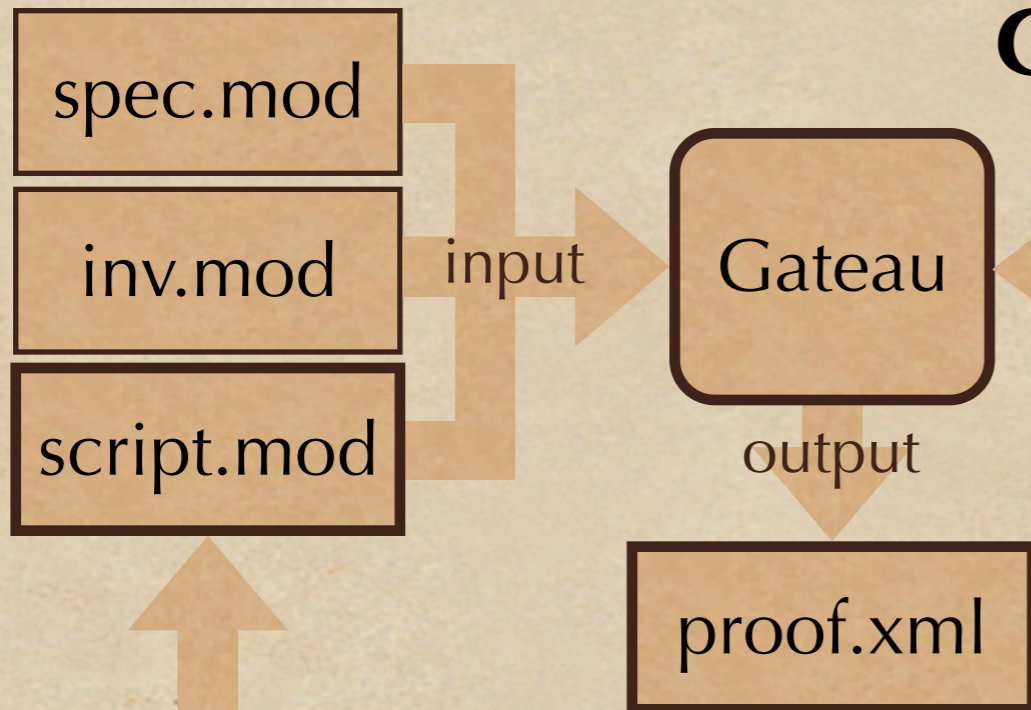
Proof Score Presenter

feedback

proof.html



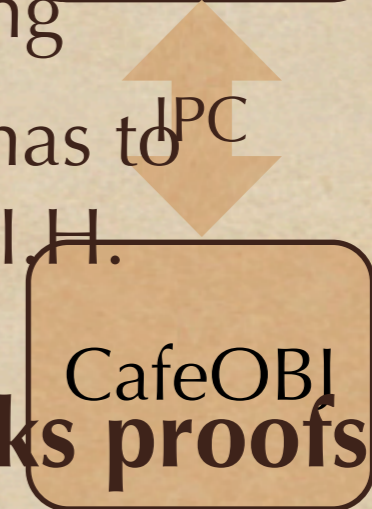
# Gateau



## Gateau generates proof scores

according to

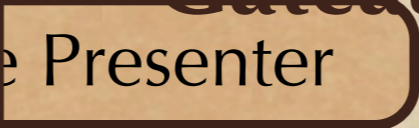
- given predicates to use for case splitting
- given lemmas to strengthen I.H.



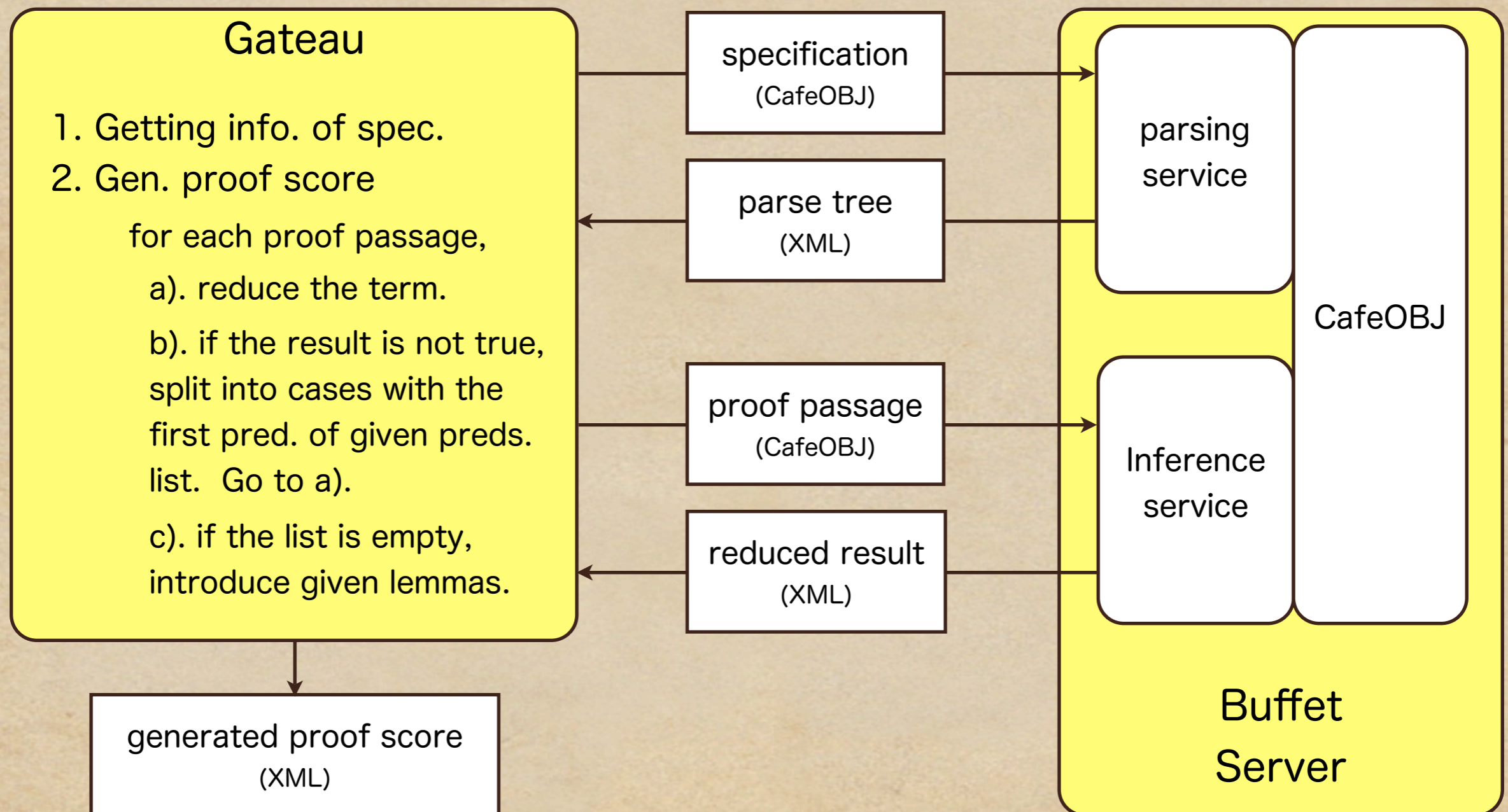
## Gateau also checks proofs

```

open ISTEP
-- arbitrary objects:
op pid1 : -> Pid .
-- assumptions:
eq (loc(s,pid1)) = (l1) .
eq (s') = (try(s,pid1)) .
-- reduce the following term:
red istep1(i, j) .
close
  
```

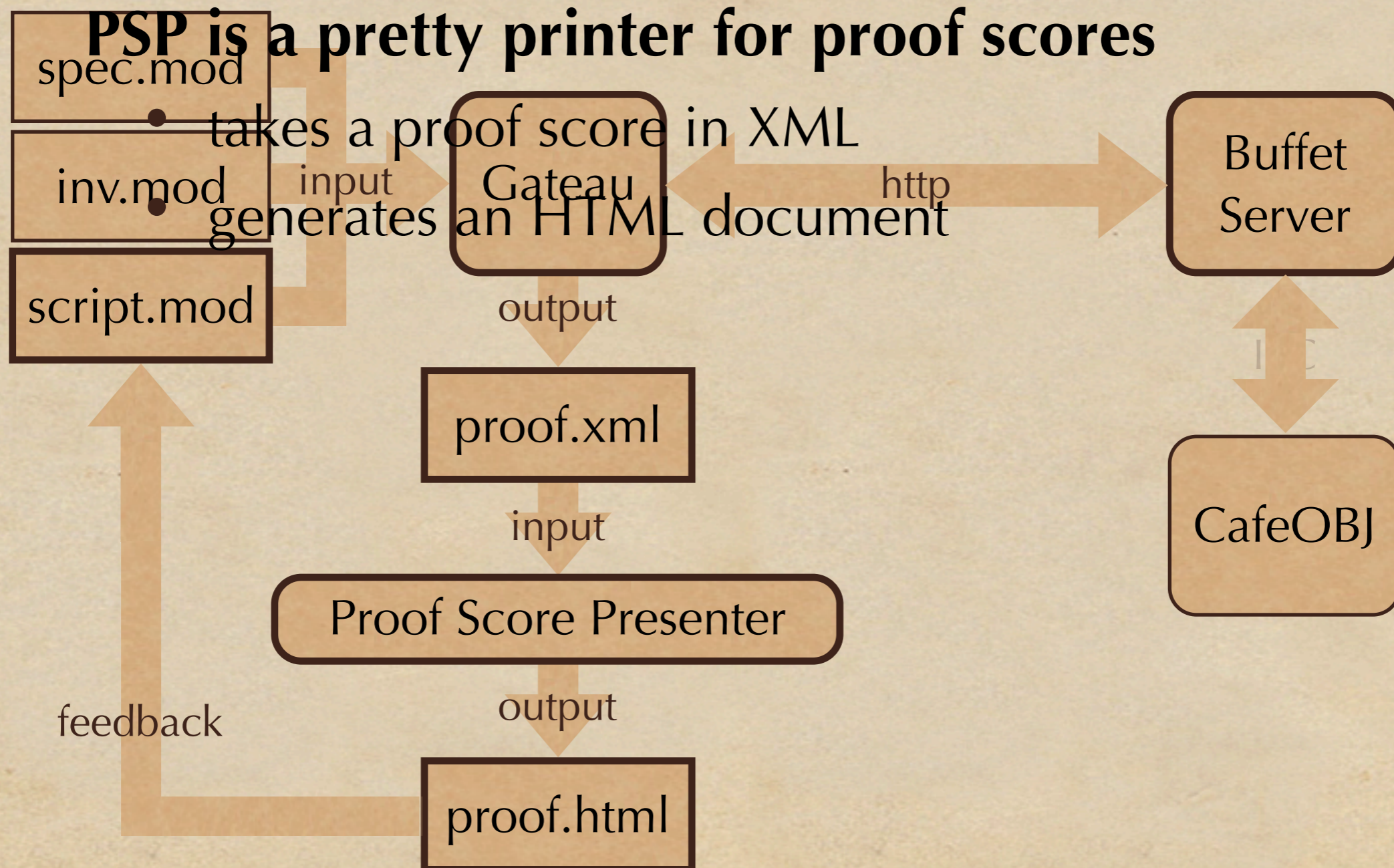


# How to gen. proof score





# Proof Score Presenter



There are 7 cases, 3 cases need human's help.

► base

Hierarchical view  
with disclosing triangles

▼ action: try

case splitting: c-try(s, pid1)

▼ case: true

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eq (s') = (try(s, pid1)) .

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red istep1(i, j) .

close

result:

((((if (pid1 = i) then l2 else loc(s,i) fi) = cs) and ((if (pid1 = j) then l2  
else loc(s,j) fi) = cs)) and ((loc(s,i) = cs) and (loc(s,j) = cs)))

xor (((if (pid1 = i) then l2 else loc(s,i) fi) = cs) and ((if (pid1 = j) then l2  
else loc(s,j) fi) = cs)) and (((loc(s,i) = cs) and (loc(s,j) = cs)) and (i =  
j)))

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else loc(s,j) fi) = cs))

xor (((if (pid1 = i) then l2 else loc(s,i) fi) = cs) and (((if (pid1 = j) then l2  
else loc(s,j) fi) = cs) and (i = j)))

xor true

Displaying the part of proof scores  
for which further case analysis  
should be done and/or  
lemmas should be used

► case: false

A hidden part of proof scores

▼ action: enter

case splitting: c-enter(s, pid1)

▼ case: true

# Other case studies

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## **Otway-Rees authentication protocol**

- 1 secrecy property (48 cases)
- 3 lemmas (36-37 cases)

## **NSLPK authentication protocol**

- 1 secrecy property (37 cases)
- 6 lemmas (24-65 cases)

# Conclusion

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## We have implemented the Buffet toolkit

- can generate & check proof scores automatically
  - generated proof scores cover all cases
  - success of proofs depends on given predicates and lemmas
- can display proof scores hierarchically
  - provided views helps the verification
- can be applied including non-trivial problems
  - Simple mutual exclusion
  - NSLPK, and Otway-Rees authentication protocols

# **Implemented tools**

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**Buffet Server (1,200 lines, in Perl)**

**Gateau (800 lines, in Perl)**

**Proof Score Presenter (600 lines, in XSLT)**

**Eclipse plug-ins (working)**

- CafeOBJ Editor (300 lines, in Java)
- Proof Score Viewer (400 lines, in Java)
  - the final goal will be an Interactive Editor for Proof Score

**Cafe2Maude (by Kong-san, in Java)**

# **Future plan**

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## **Integrating Eclipse**

- GUI based implementation (Gateau & PSP)
  - more interactive

## **More tightly integrating Eclipse**

- Test Driven Development
  - Test case generation from proof scores

# Demonstration