

# Industrial Strength Documentation for ACL2

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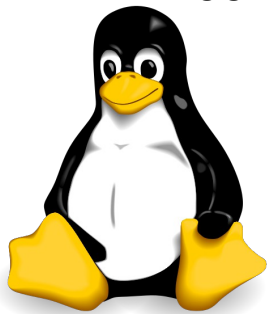
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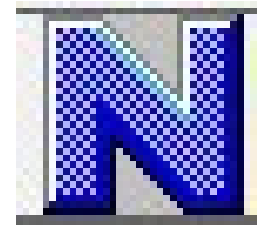
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## Introduction

[ACL2](#) is an interactive theorem prover. It combines a Lisp-based programming language for developing formal models of systems with a reasoning engine that can prove properties about these models. It has been used to [formally verify](#) many [interesting systems](#) in academia and industry.

The [ACL2 Community Books](#) are the canonical set of open-source libraries ("books") for ACL2. They include lemma libraries for reasoning in many domains, macro libraries for more quickly writing and documenting code, interfacing tools for connecting ACL2 to other systems, productivity tools for better proof automation and debugging, and specialty libraries for areas like

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How to document **your** books

(the tedious, manual way, for starters)

```
(include-book "xdoc/top" :dir :system)
```

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  :long "<p>This is a rudimentary string library  
for ACL2.</p>"
```

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Docs in Code

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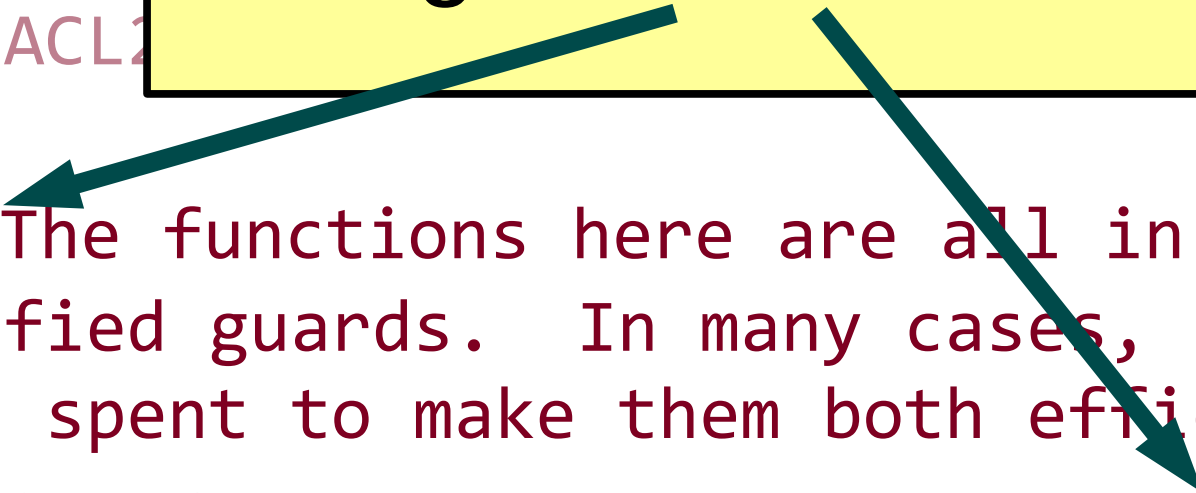
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  (include-book \"str/top\" :dir :system)  
})
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```
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```

# Standard XML Syntax

Tags must be balanced!



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```
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  (include-book \"str/top\" :dir :system)  
})
```



straightforward to read

<h3>Loading the library

<p>Ordinarily, to use

```
@({
  (include-book \"str/top\" :dir :system)
})
```

<p>The documentation is then available by typing @(':xdoc str'). All of the library's functions are found in the @('STR') package.</p>

**Preprocessor!**

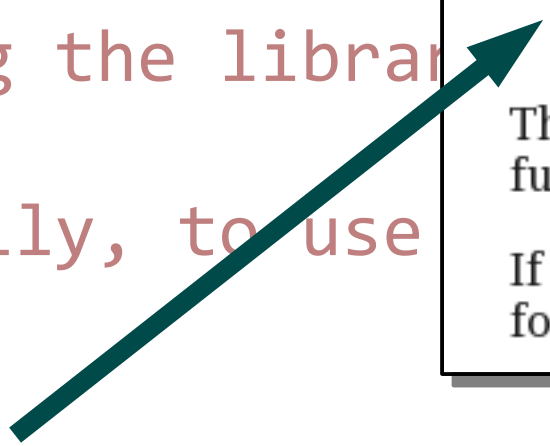
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```
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Auto Links!

- `reverse` can operate on strings or lists, whereas `rev` only works on lists.
- `reverse` has a tail-recursive definition, which makes it faster than the non tail-recursive `rev`.

Despite its simple `append`-based logical definition, `rev` should be

## Definitions and Theorems

Function: `rev`

`@(def rev)` →

```
(defun rev (x)
  (declare (xargs :guard t))
  (mbe :logic (if (consp x)
                  (append (rev (cdr x))
                           nil)
                  :exec (revappend-without-guard)))
```

Theorem: `rev-when-not-consp`

↗ `@(def rev-when-not-consp)`

```
(defthm rev-when-not-consp
  (implies (not (consp x))
           (equal (rev x) nil)))
```



How to document *your* books

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(the fancy, less tedious way)

```
(defxdoc flatten
  :parents (std/lists)
  :short "@(call flatten) appends together the elements of @('x')."
  :long "<p>Typically @('x') is a list of lists that you want
To merge together.  For example:</p>
```

```
...
```

```
<h3>Definitions and Theorems</h3>
```

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@(thm true-listp-of-flatten)
@(thm flatten-when-not-consp)
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@(thm flatten-of-list-fix) ...")
```

```
(defund flatten (x)
  (declare (xargs :guard t))
  (if (consp x)
      (append-without-guard (car x) (flatten (cdr x)))
      nil))
```

```
(encapsulate ()
  (local (in-theory (enable flatten)))
  (defthm true-listp-of-flatten ...)
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  ...))
```

# Flatten

[books]/std/lists/flatten.lisp

(flatten x) appends together the elements of x.

Typically x is a list of lists that you want to merge together. For example:

```
(flatten '((a b c) (1 2 3) (x y z)))
-->
(a b c 1 2 3 x y z)
```

This is a "one-level" flatten that does not necessarily produce an [atom-listp](#). For instance,

```
(flatten '(((a . 1) (b . 2))
           ((x . 3) (y . 4))))
-->
((a . 1) (b . 2) (x . 3) (y . 4))
```

## Definitions and Theorems

**Definition:** `flatten`

```
(defun flatten (x)
  (declare (xargs :guard t))
  (if (consp x)
      (append-without-guard (car x)
                            (flatten (cdr x)))
      nil))
```

**Definition:** `true-listp-of-flatten`

```
(defthm true-listp-of-flatten
  (true-listp (flatten x)))
```

```
(defxdoc flatten
  :parents (std/lists)
  :short "@(call flatten)"
  :long "<p>Typically
To merge together. For example:
```

```
...
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@(thm flatten-when-not-atom)
@(thm flatten-of-cons)
@(thm flatten-of-list)
```

```
(defund flatten (x)
  (declare (xargs :guard t))
  (if (consp x)
      (append-without-guard
        (car x)
        (flatten (cdr x)))
      nil))
```

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(defund flatten (x)
  (declare (xargs :guard t))
  (if (consp x)
      (append-without-guard (car x) (flatten (cdr x)))
      nil))
```

```
(encapsulate ()
  (local (in-theory (enable flatten)))
  (defthm true-listp-of-flatten ...)
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  ...))
```

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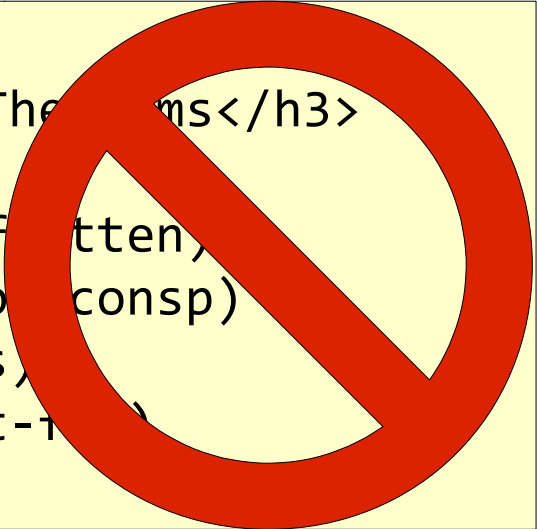
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  :short "@(call flatten) append
  :long "<p>Typically @('x') is
To merge together. For example:
[example1]
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Indents nicely

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```





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(with less typing and stuff)



```

(define vl-annotate-plainargs
  ((args      "plainargs that typically have no @(':dir') or @('
              information; we want to annotate them."
    vl-plainarglist-p)
   (ports     "corresponding ports for the submodule"
    (and (vl-portlist-p ports)
         (same-lengthp args ports)))
   (portdecls "port declarations for the submodule"
    vl-portdecllist-p)
   (palist    "precomputed for fast lookups"
    (equal palist (vl-portdecl-alist portdecls))))
  :returns
  (annotated-args "annotated version of @('args'), semantically e
                  but typically has @(':dir') and @(':portname')
                  vl-plainarglist-p :hyp :fguard)
  :parents (argresolve)
  :short "Annotates a plain argument list with port names and dir
  :long "<p>This is a \"best-effort\" process ..."

  (b* (((when (atom args)
            nil)
        (name (vl-port->name (car ports)))
        (expr (vl-port->expr (car ports)))
        ...))

```

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                 ...))

```

## VL-annotate-plainargs

[books]/centaur/vl/transforms/xf-argresolve.lisp

Annotates a plain argument list with port names and directions.

### Signature

```

(vl-annotate-plainargs args ports portdecls palist)
→
annotated-args

```

### Arguments

**args** — plainargs that typically have no `:dir` or `:portname` information; we want to annotate them.

Guard (`vl-plainarglist-p` args).

**ports** — corresponding ports for the submodule.

Guard (`and` (`vl-portlist-p` ports) (`same-lengthp` args ports)).

**portdecls** — port declarations for the submodule.

Guard (`vl-portdecllist-p` portdecls).

**palist** — precomputed for fast lookups.

Guard (`equal` palist (`vl-portdecl-alist` portdecls)).

### Returns

**annotated-args** — annotated version of **args**, semantically equivalent but typically has `:dir` and `:portname` information.

Type (`vl-plainarglist-p` annotated-args), given the **guard**.

This is a "best-effort" process which may fail to add annotations to any or all arguments. Such failures are expected, so we do not generate any warnings or errors in response to them.

What causes these failures?

- Not all ports necessarily have a name, so we cannot add a `:portname` for every port.
- The direction of a port may also not be apparent in some cases; see [vl-port-direction](#) for details.

## Definitions and Theorems

**Definition:** `vl-annotate-plainargs`

```
(defaggregate vl-loadconfig
```

```
  :parents (loader)
```

```
  :short "Options for how to load Verilog modules."
```

```
  ((start-files      string-listp
```

```
    "A list of file names (not module names) that  
    load; @(see vl-load) begins by trying to read  
    lex, and parse the contents of these files.")
```

```
  (start-modnames  string-listp
```

```
    "Instead of (or in addition to) explicitly providing  
    @('start-files'), you can also provide a list of  
    names that you want to load. @(see vl-load) searches for  
    these modules in the search path, unless they are  
    loaded while processing the @('start-files').")
```

```
  (search-path     string-listp
```

```
    "A list of directories to search (in order) for  
    @('start-modnames') that were in the @('start-files').  
    for <see topic='@(url vl-modulelist-missing) Verilog  
    modules</see>. This is similar to \"library\" in  
    in tools like Verilog-XL and NCVerilog.")
```

```
  ...)
```

```
(defaggregate
  :parents (
  :short "Options for how to load Verilog modules."

  ((start-files
    (start-modules
      (search-path
        ...))
```

Loader

## VI-loadconfig-p

[books]/centaur/vl/loader/loader.lisp

Options for how to load Verilog modules.

(vl-loadconfig-p x) is a [defaggregate](#) of the following fields.

- **start-files** — A list of file names (not module names) that you want to load; **vl-load** begins by trying to read, preprocess, lex, and parse the contents of these files.  
Invariant (**string-listp** start-files).
- **start-modnames** — Instead of (or in addition to) explicitly providing the **start-files**, you can also provide a list of module names that you want to load. **vl-load** will look for these modules in the search path, unless they happen to get loaded while processing the **start-files**.  
Invariant (**string-listp** start-modnames).
- **search-path** — A list of directories to search (in order) for modules in **start-modnames** that were in the **start-files**, and for **missing modules**. This is similar to "library directories" in tools like Verilog-XL and NCVerilog.  
Invariant (**string-listp** search-path).
- **search-exts** — List of file extensions to search (in order) to find files in the **search-path**. The default is ("v"), meaning that only files like **foo.v** are considered.  
Invariant (**string-listp** search-exts).
- **include-dirs** — A list of directories that will be searched (in order) when

modules</see>. This is similar to \"library in tools like Verilog-XL and NCVerilog.\" )

Macros like these **aren't hard.**



Documentation as Data

The full docs are just a **table** with a list of topics.



How to get a fancy manual  
with **your stuff in it**

```
(include-book "your-books")  
(xdoc::save "./my-manual")
```

(by the way, it's embeddable)

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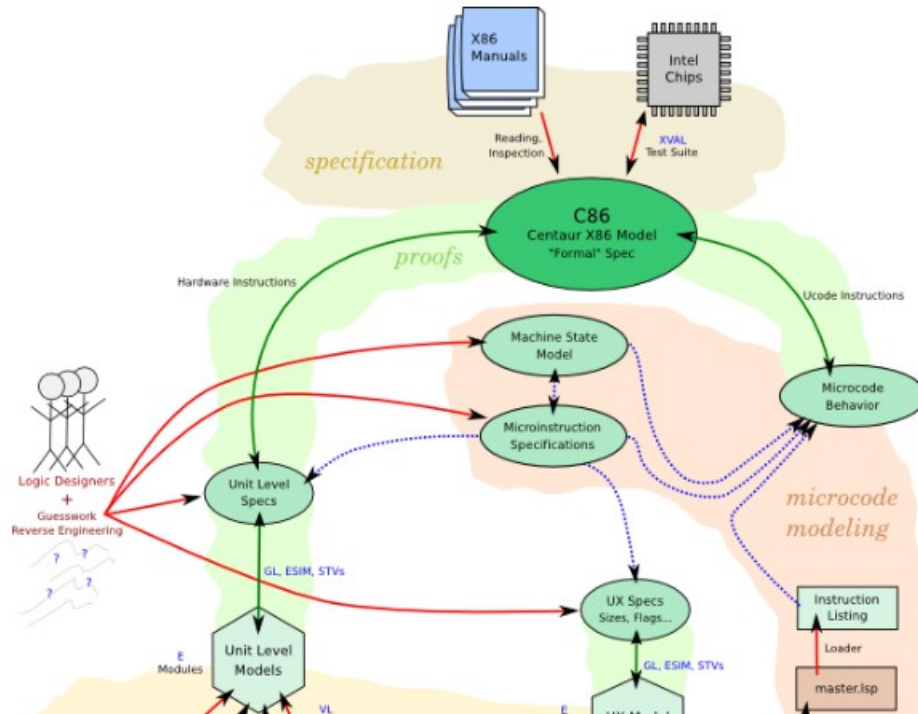
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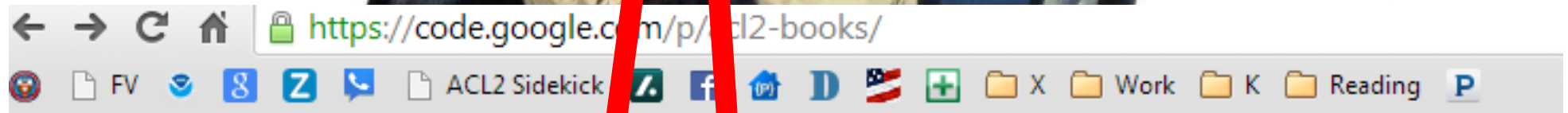
## Introduction

A far-off goal for this work could be: *prove that the whole chip properly implements the X86 specification*. For now we are addressing pieces of the problem like

- The Verilog for execution units (FADD, MMX, ...)
- Certain microcode routines (so-far mostly arithmetic).

Here's a big picture of how we relate these Verilog modules and microcode routines to the X86 spec. Everything **green** is in the [ACL2 theorem prover](#).





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# intellisense

```

JScript.js* x Default.aspx*
/// <reference path="ASPxScriptIntelliSense.js" />

function OnGridRowClick(s, e) {
    var gridInstance = ASPxClientGridView.Cast(s);
    gridInstance.DeleteRowByKey(
}

```

Void DeleteRowByKey(**key**)  
 Deletes a row with the specified key value.  
**key:** An object that uniquely identifies the row.



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