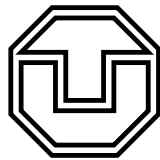


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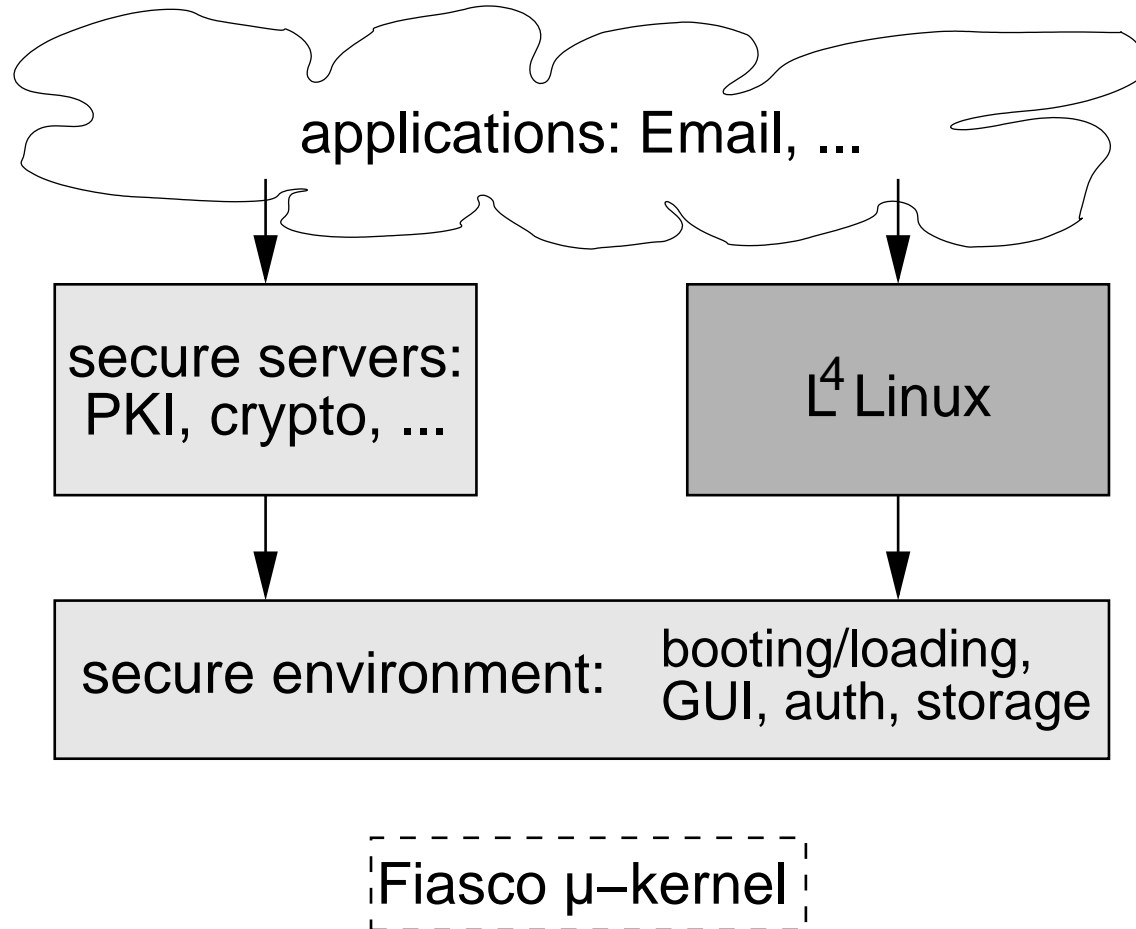
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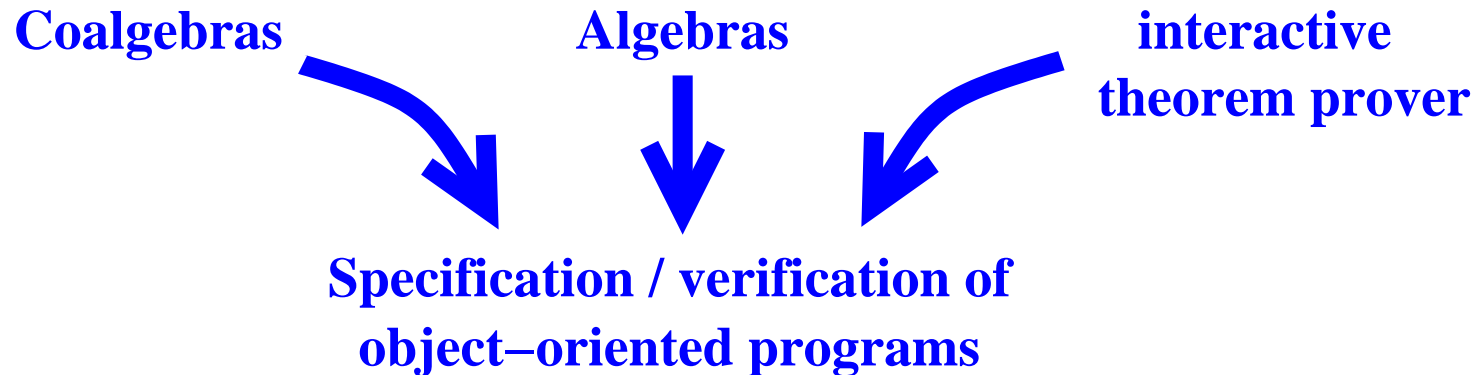


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## Logic for Object-Oriented Programming (LOOP)

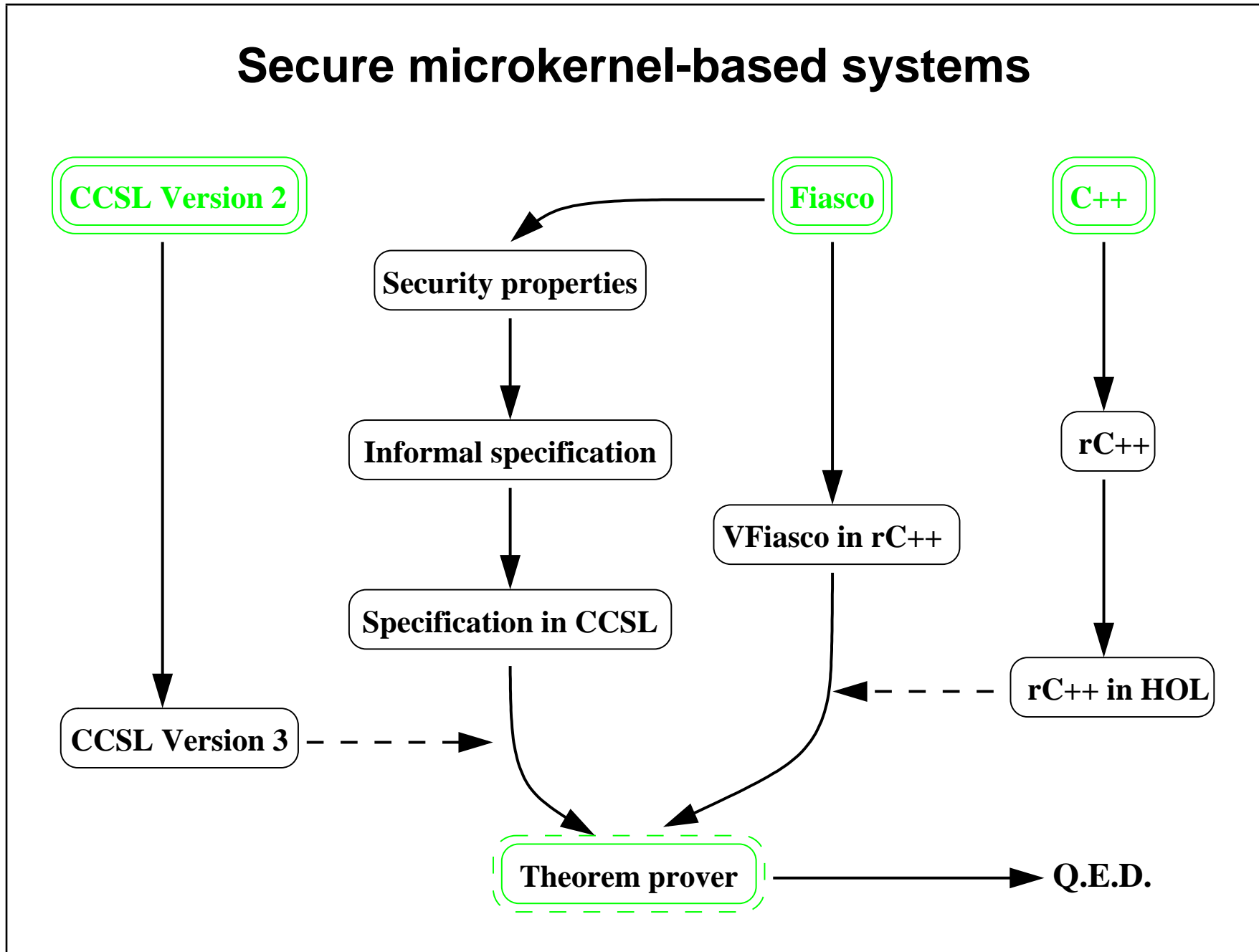


- Nijmegen – Dresden since '97
- Object-oriented specification / verification
- OO specification language CCSL
- Semantics of Java / JavaCard / JML
- Support for PVS / Isabelle

## Fiasco Case Study

- Specified the interface of class `space_t`
- Checked the C++ source code of `space_t` against the specification
- ⇒ insertion of superpages proved correct
- ⇒ verification revealed hidden assumptions
- 4 man months
- **CCSL / PVS is ready for operating system verification**

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## Summary

- VFiasco project: A formally verified microkernel
- Sounds insane, but case study indicates it's possible
- **VFiasco project:**  
`http://os.inf.tu-dresden.de/vfiasco/`
- **Case study:**  
`http://wwwtcs.inf.tu-dresden.de/~tews/vfiasco/`
- **LOOP:**  
`http://www.cs.kun.nl/~bart/LOOP/`