

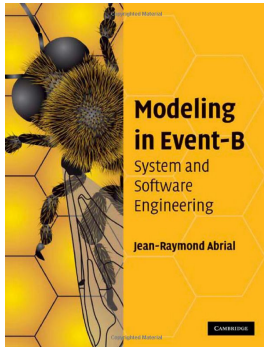
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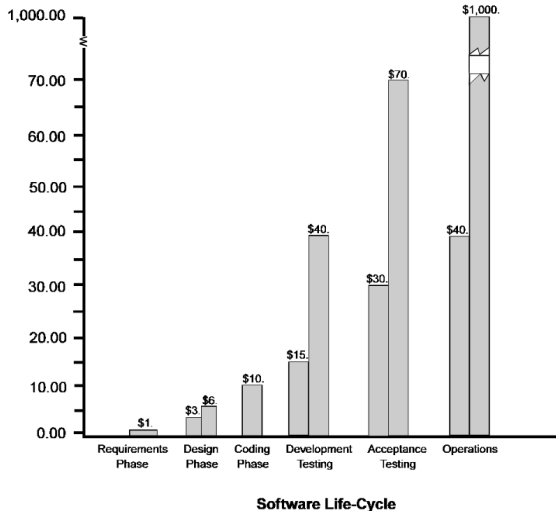
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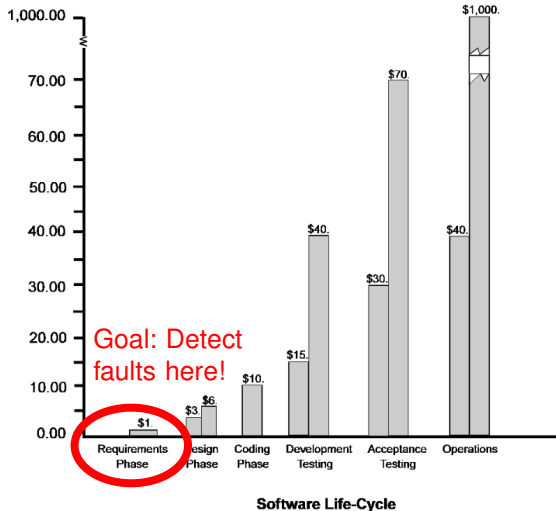
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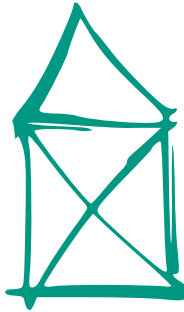
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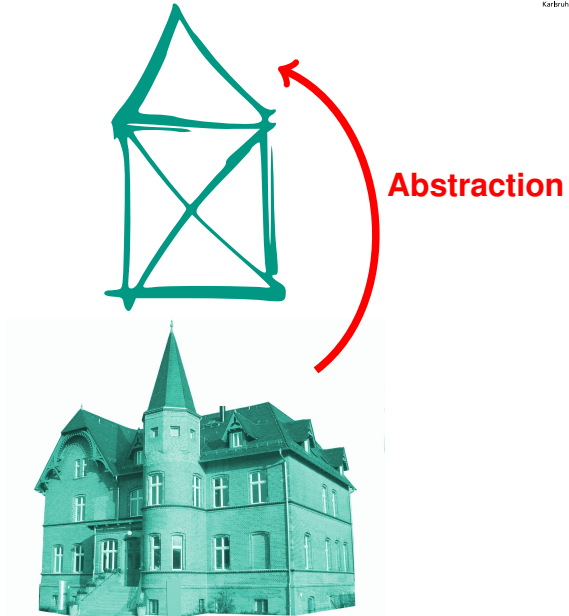
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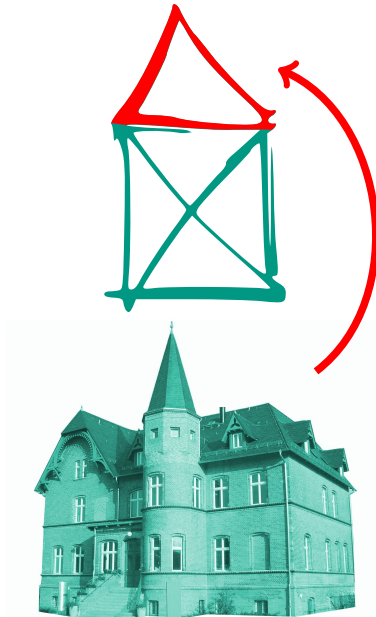
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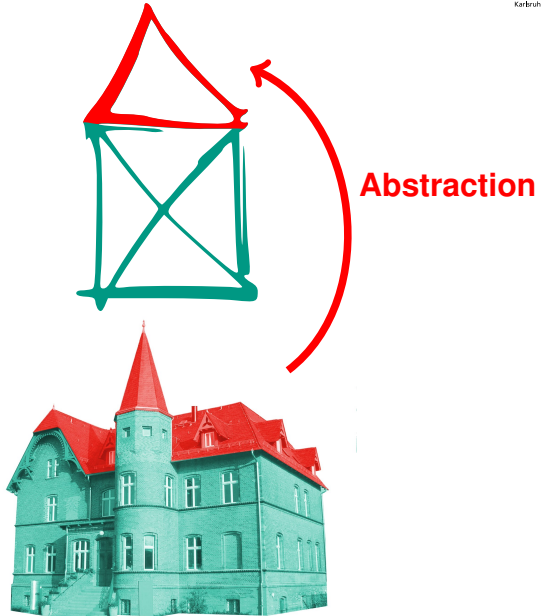


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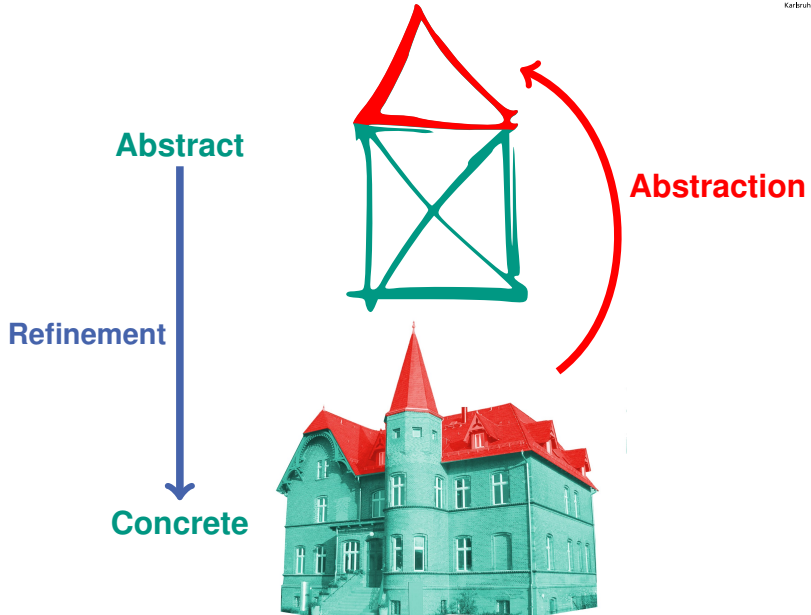


Abstraction

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Abstraction and Refinement



Abstraction

- reduce system complexity
- without removing important properties
- make the model susceptible to formal analysis

and the inverse

Refinement

- enrich abstract model with details
- introduce a new particular aspect
- iterative process: add complexity in a stepwise fashion

Abstraction is an important tool in engineering

Established means of abstraction

- Mechanical engineering: BLUEPRINTS
- Electrical engineering: DATASHEETS
- CIRCUIT DIAGRAMS
- Architecture: FLOOR PLANS
- ...

Abstract descriptions remove unnecessary details,
concentrate on one aspect

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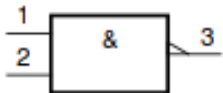
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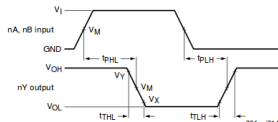
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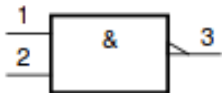


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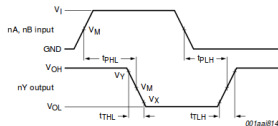
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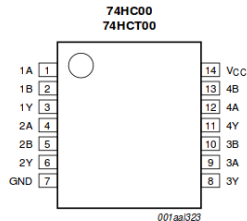
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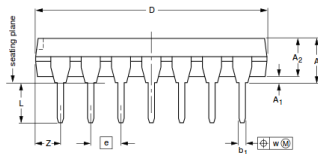
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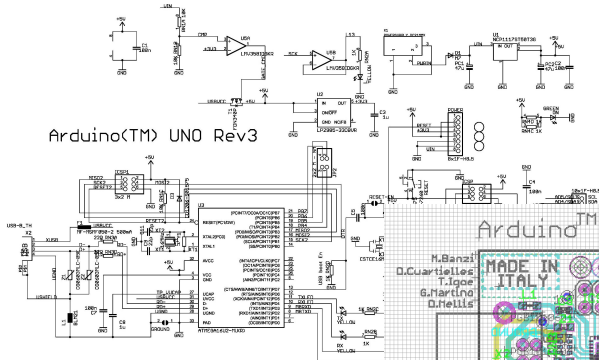


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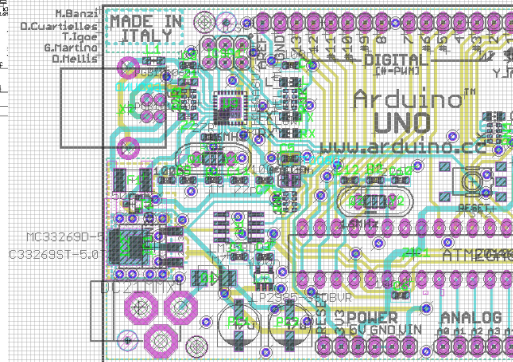


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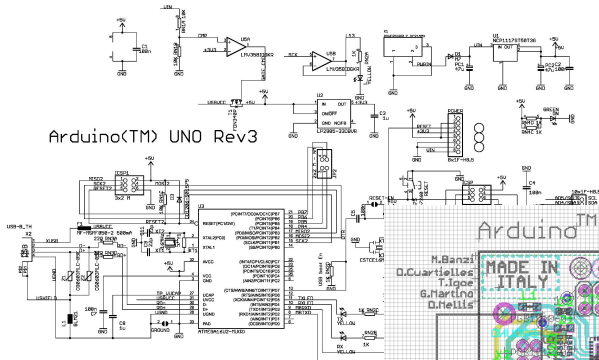
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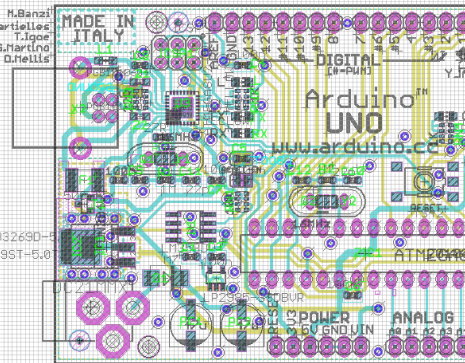


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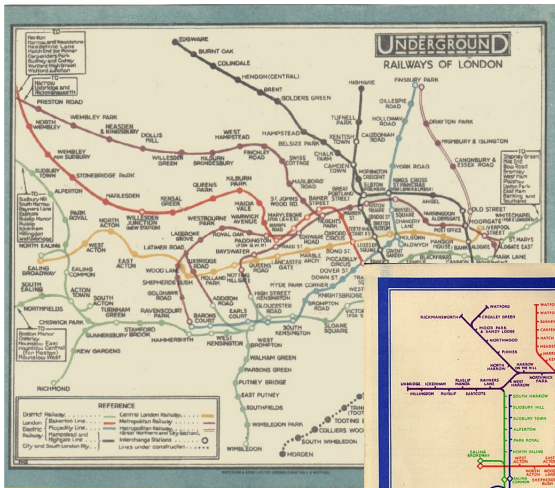
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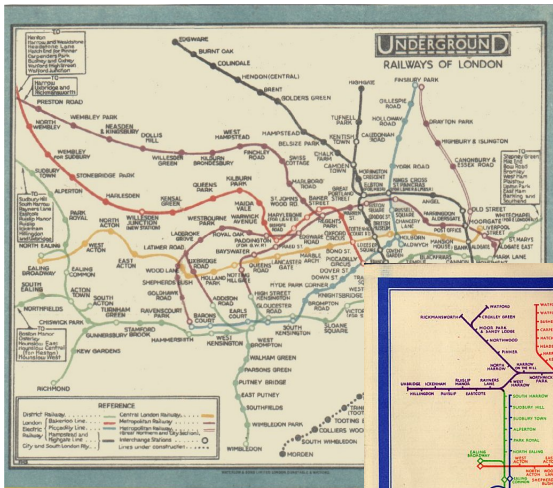


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 - for their structure (how can their state be described) and
 - for their behaviour (how can the evolution of their state be described)
- Models are formulated using set theory
- Event-based evolution of the original **B** Method
- Tool-support:
 - **RODIN** – deductive verification, theorem prover: proofs
 - **Pro-B** – model checking, animator: counterexamples

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systems state evolution over time, triggered by events

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We will come back to this more formally ...

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Set theory – a universal modelling language

Not only used in Event-B.

Set theory also used for modelling in ...

- Z
- Object-Z, Z++
- (classical) B
- Event-B
- Alloy
- ...

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Every term in Event-B has a unique type.

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(remember: $math \in SUBJECT$, $failed \subseteq STUDENT$)

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- integers
- more theories (datatypes) can be added by user
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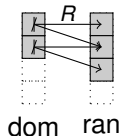
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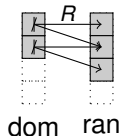
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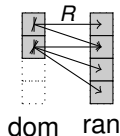


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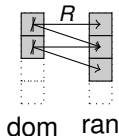


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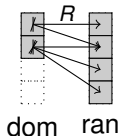


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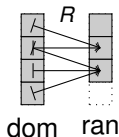
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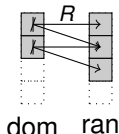


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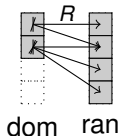


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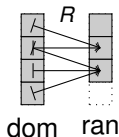
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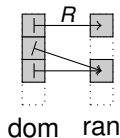
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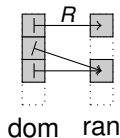


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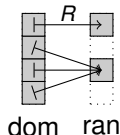
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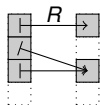


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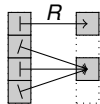
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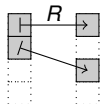
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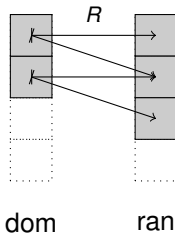
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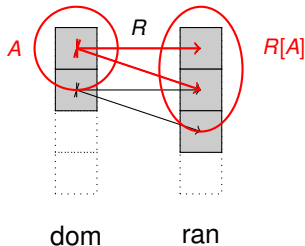
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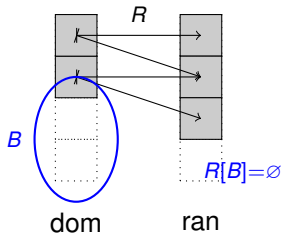
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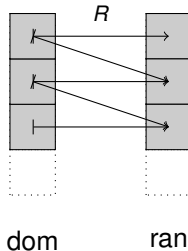
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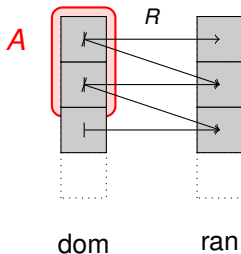
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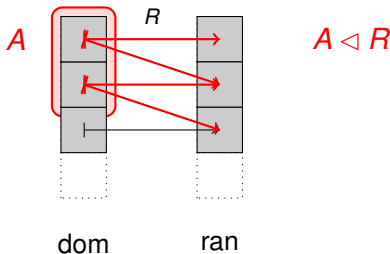
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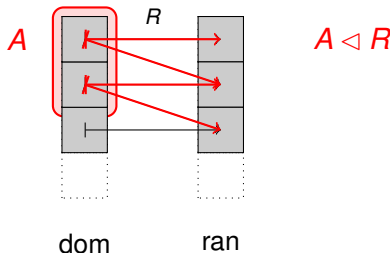
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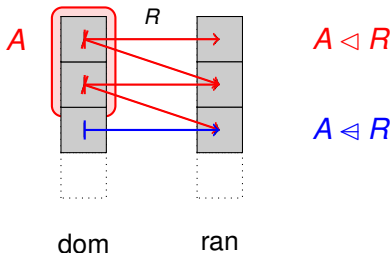
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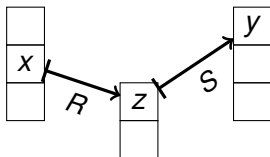
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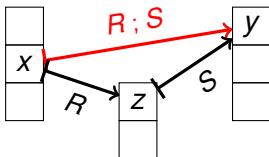
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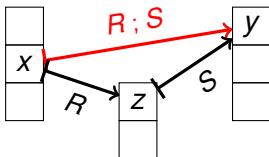
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Event-B – Events

MACHINE *name*

SEES *context*

VARIABLES \overline{vars}

INVARIANTS $inv(\overline{vars})$

EVENTS

...

END

The symbols in context can be used in *inv* even if not mentioned explicitly.

EVENT *M*

// the following are the parameters,
// the input signals, nondeterministic choices

ANY \overline{prms}

// the preconditions, conditions on the input values

WHERE $guard(\overline{vars}, \overline{prms})$

// evolution of the program variables when the event “fires”

THEN

actions

END

There is one more construct (WITH) that we omit here.

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Example:

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THEN  
   $x := y$   
   $y := x$   
END // swaps values of variables  $x, y$ .
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Unmentioned variable z does not change.

Remember the updates in KeY: $\{x := y \parallel y := x\}$ has same effects.

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Example:

$$x, y :| x' = y' \wedge y' > y$$

After the action x and y are equal and y is strictly greater than before the action.

Normal form

Every action can be defined as a before-after-predicate

$$bap(\overline{vars}, \overline{vars'}, \overline{prms})$$

with

- ① \overline{vars} the machines variables before the action
- ② $\overline{vars'}$ the machine variables after the action
- ③ \overline{prms} the parameters of the event

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A trace is a sequence of states $\sigma_0, \sigma_1, \dots$ such that

- first state σ_0 is result of the initialisation event
- every state σ_i results from an event which operates on σ_{i-1} (for every $i > 0$).



The semantics of a machine M is the set of all traces possible for M .

Sources for indeterminism

- indeterministic choices in bap's (cf. $:\in$, $:\mid$)
- event parameters

Event parameter may model:

- content of messages passed around
- indeterministic user input
- unpredictable environment actions
- a number, amount of data to operate with
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Technically event parameters can be removed and replaced by existential quantifiers.

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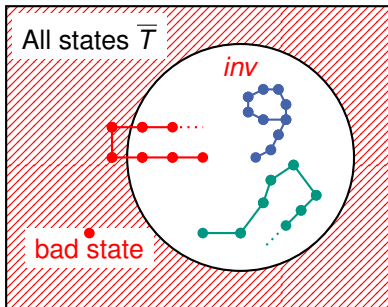
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EVENTS

INITIALISATION $\hat{=}$

$x := 2$

STEP $\hat{=}$

$x := 2 * (x - 1)$

There is only one trace:

$(2, 2, 2, 2, \dots)$

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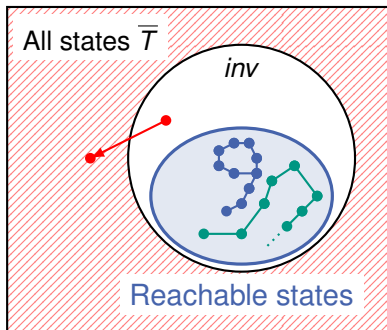
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The action of an event is possible if guard is true.

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Deterministic action: $x := t$
... nothing to show

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... show that $S \neq \emptyset$

Indeterministic action: $x \mid \varphi$
... show satisfiability of φ

Thus impossible evolutions like $x \mid \text{false}$ or $x \in \emptyset$ are avoided

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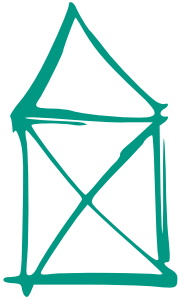
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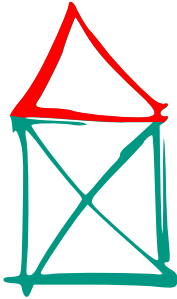
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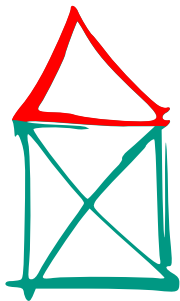
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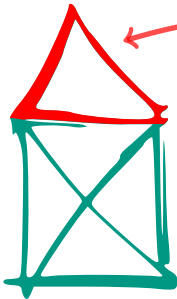


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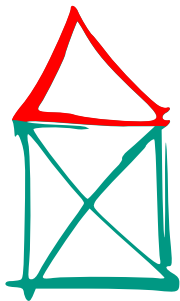


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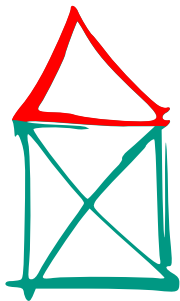
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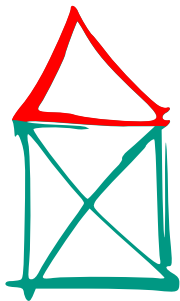
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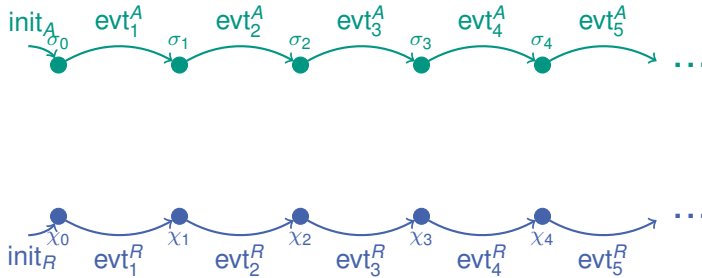
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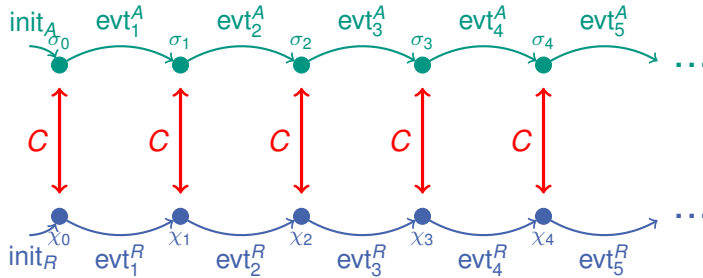
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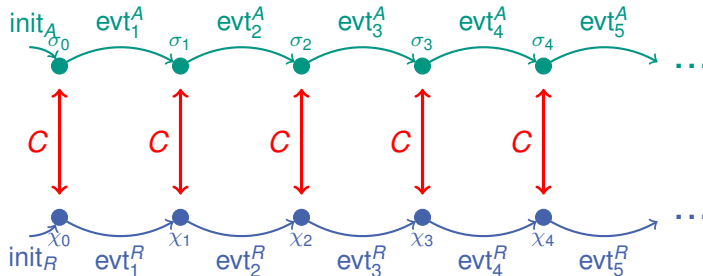
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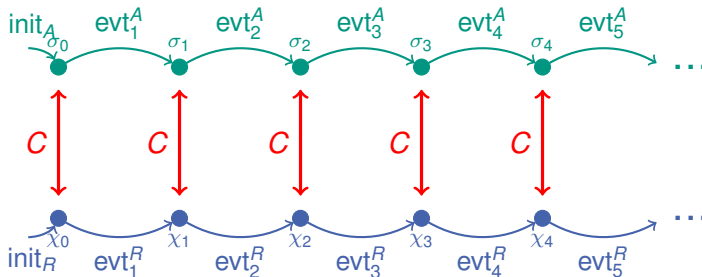
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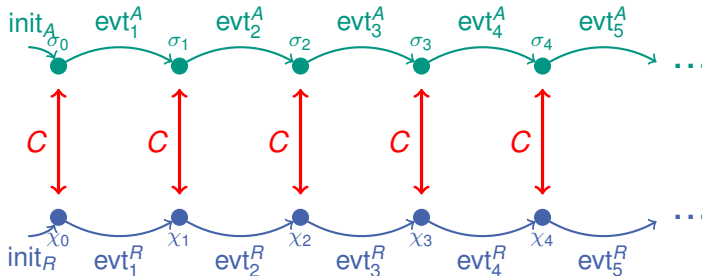
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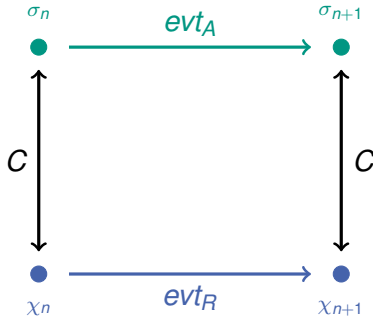
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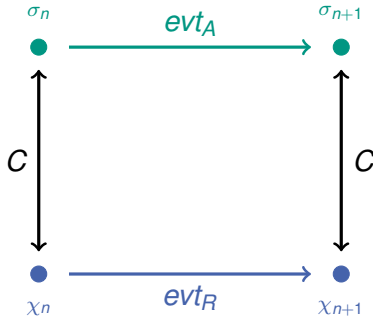
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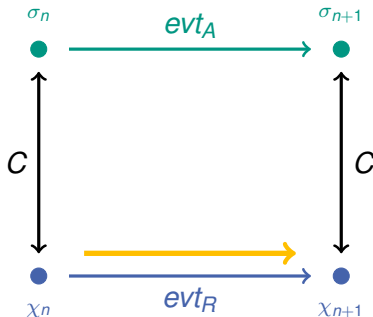


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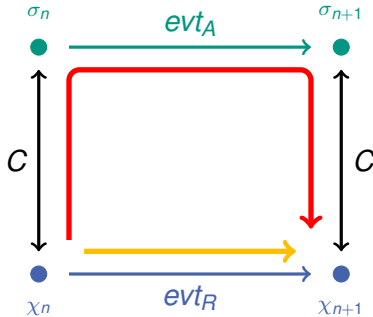
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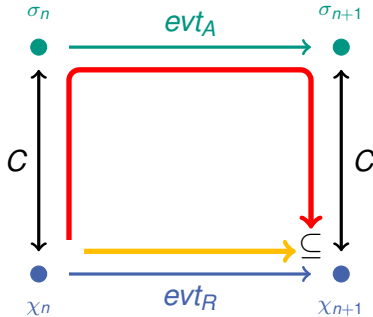
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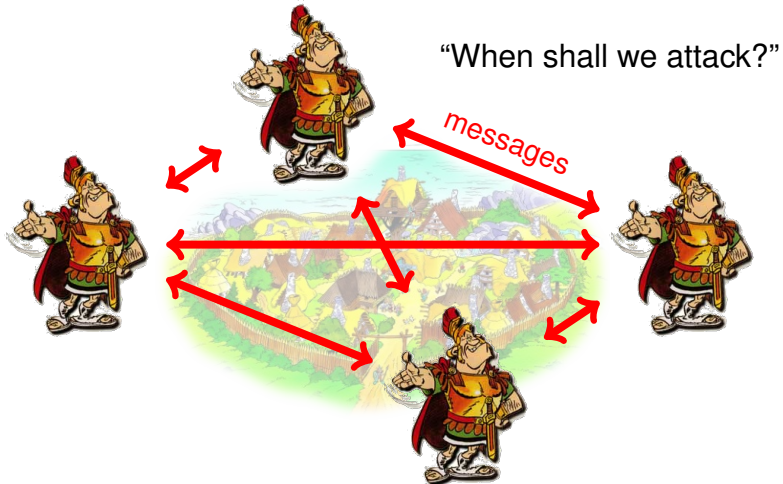
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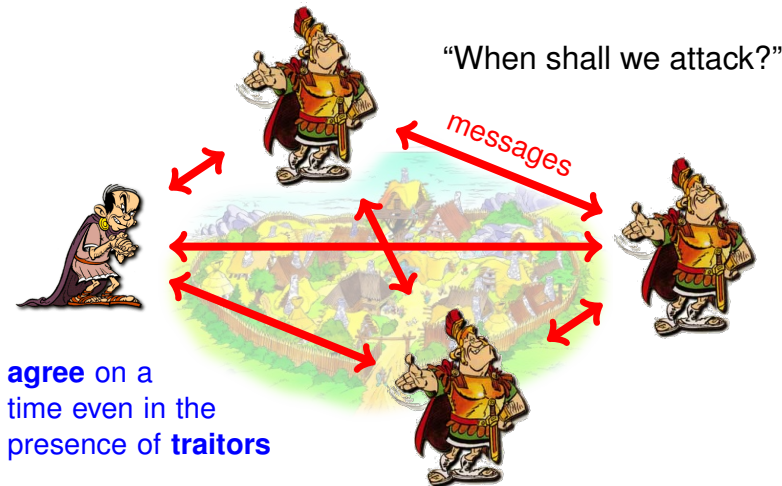
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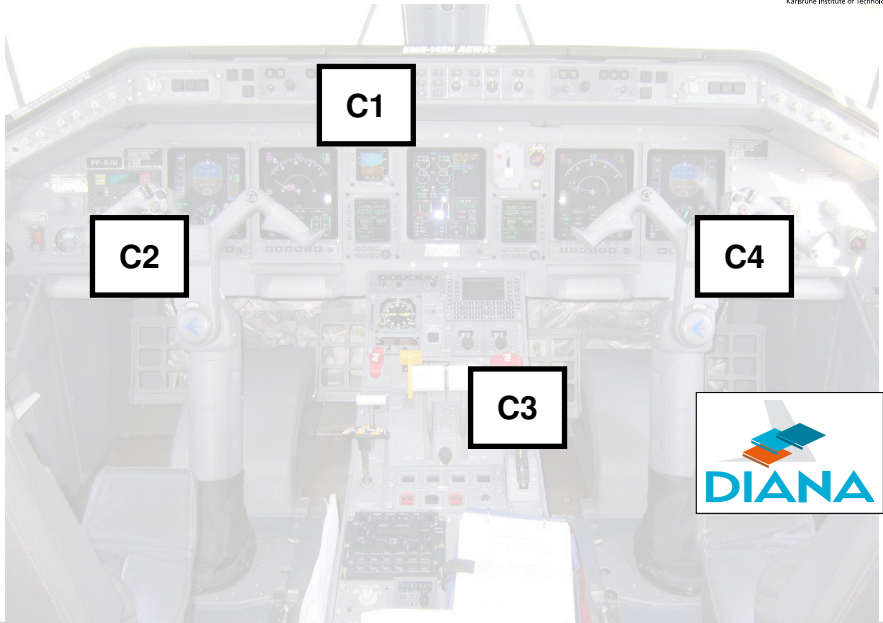
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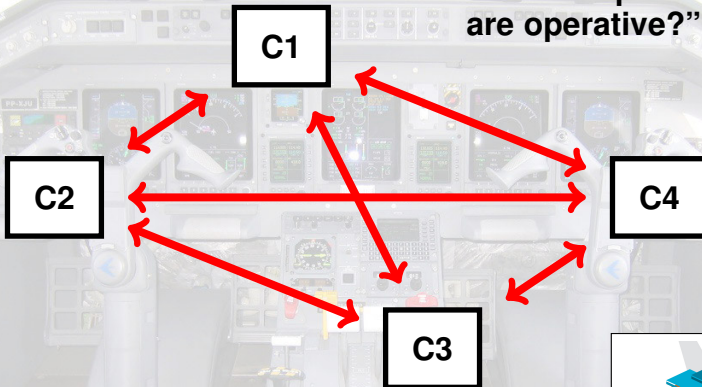
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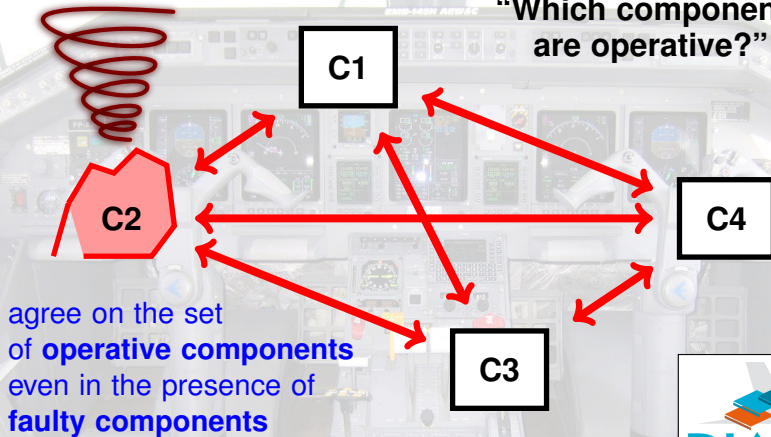
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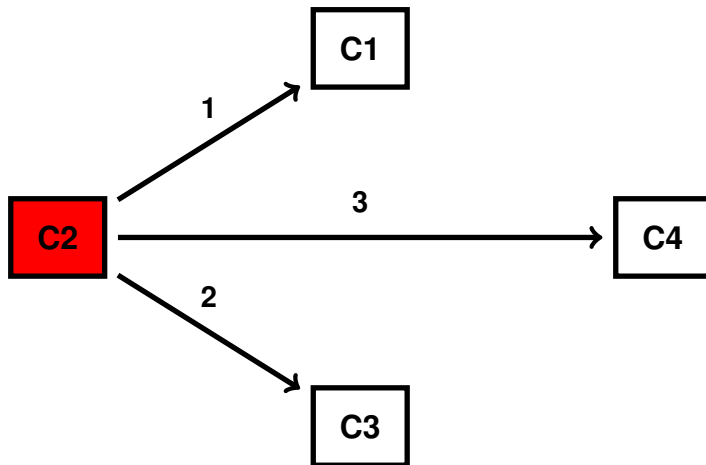
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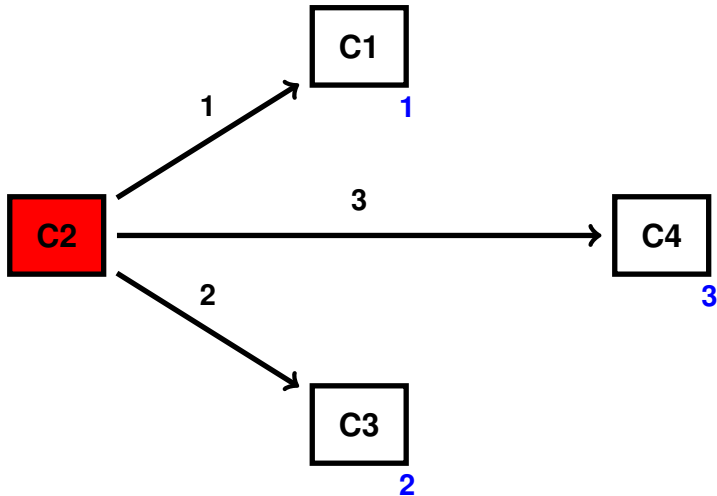
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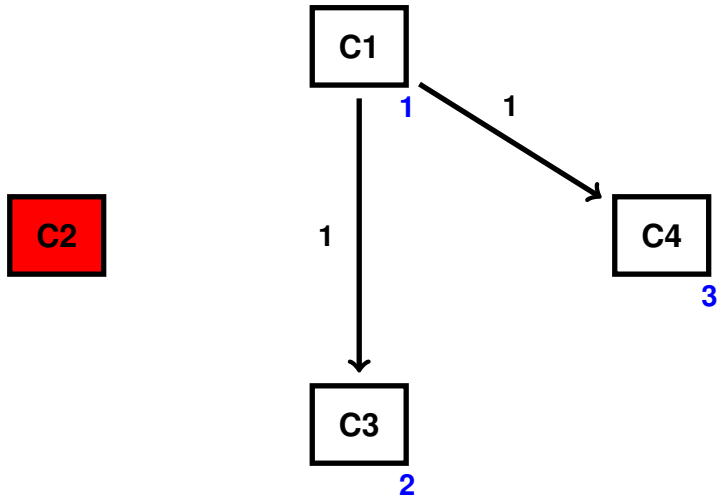
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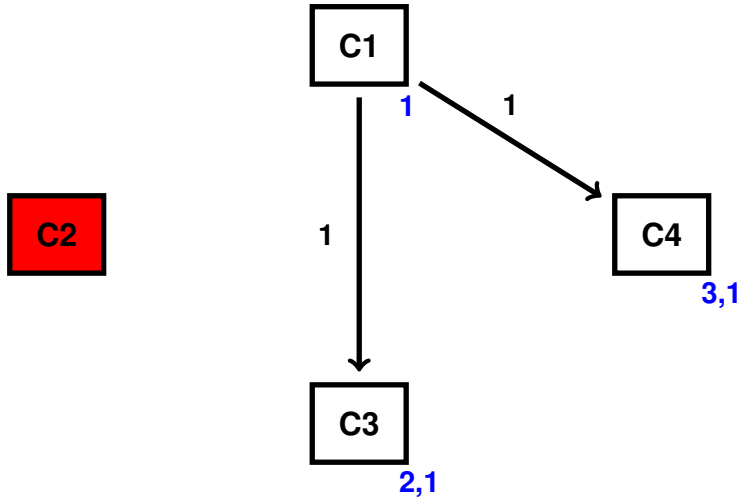
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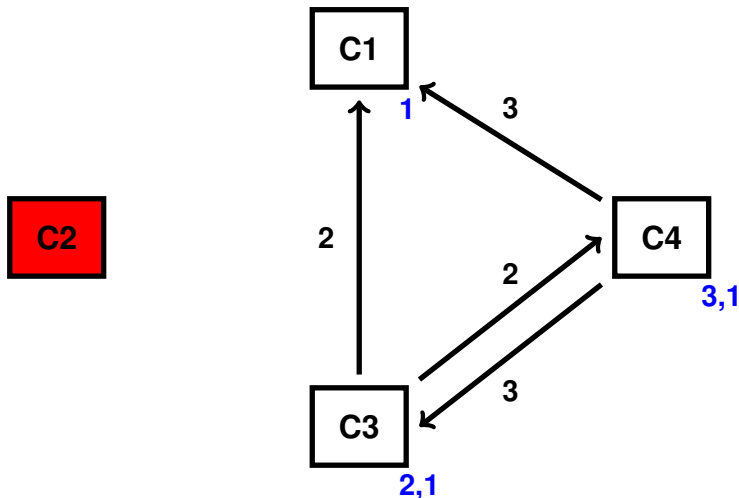
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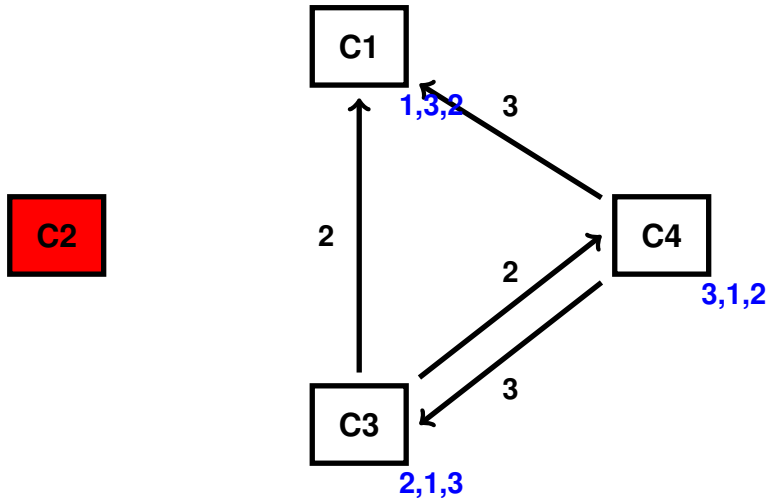
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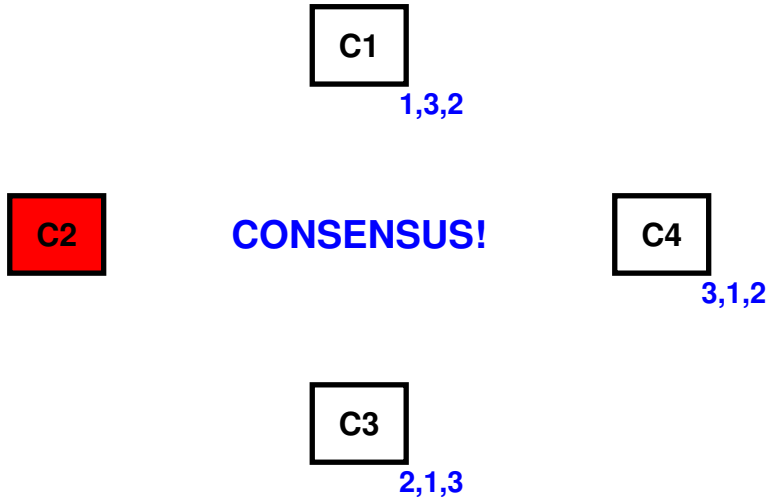
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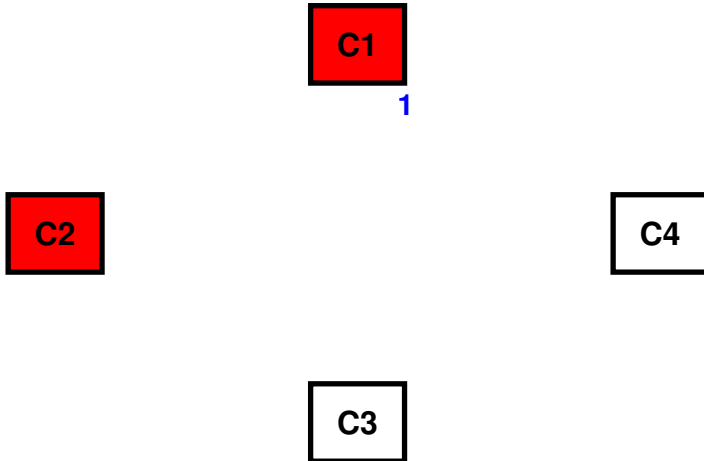
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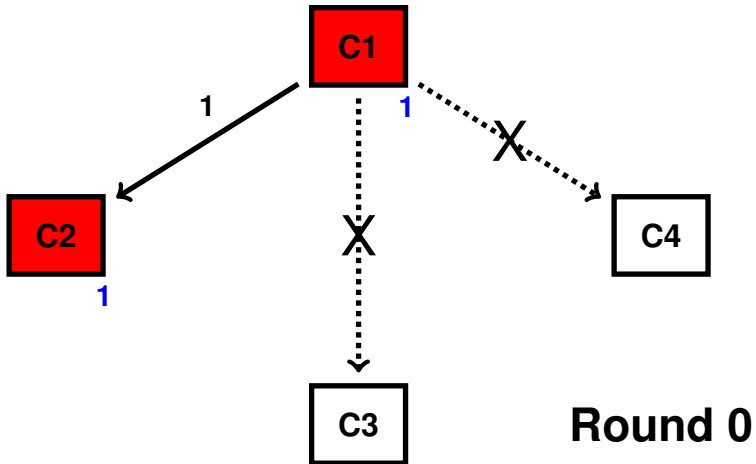
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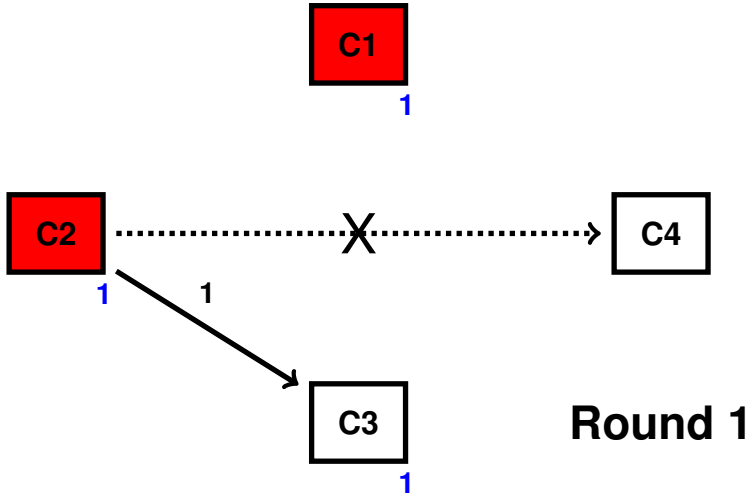
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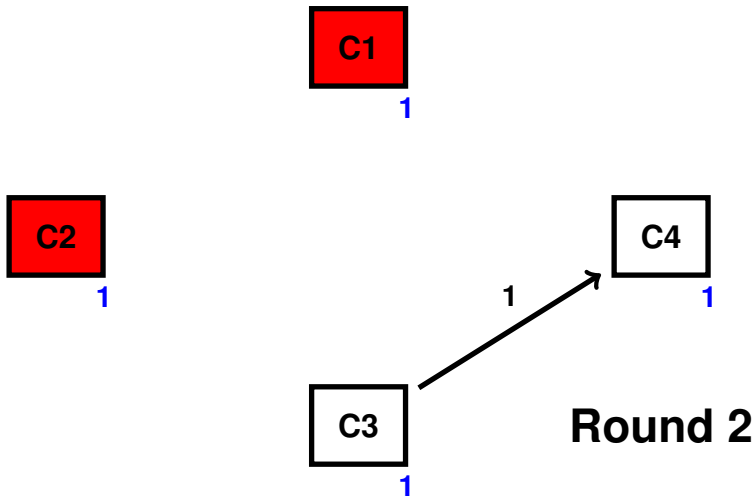
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GOAL: Prove that this algorithm has the “validity” and “agreement” properties.

Quote

We know of no area in computer science or mathematics in which informal reasoning is more likely to lead to errors than in the study of this type of algorithm.

Taken from: *The Byzantine Generals Problem*

Leslie Lamport, Robert Shostak, and Marshall Pease

ACM Transactions on Programming Languages and Systems

Volume 4, pp. 383–401, 1982.

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$V_0 \in$ VALUE

finite(*faulty*)

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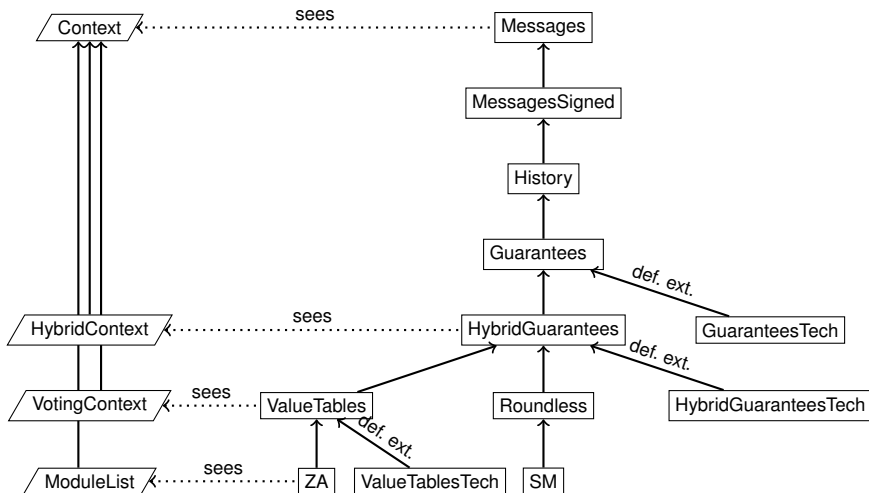
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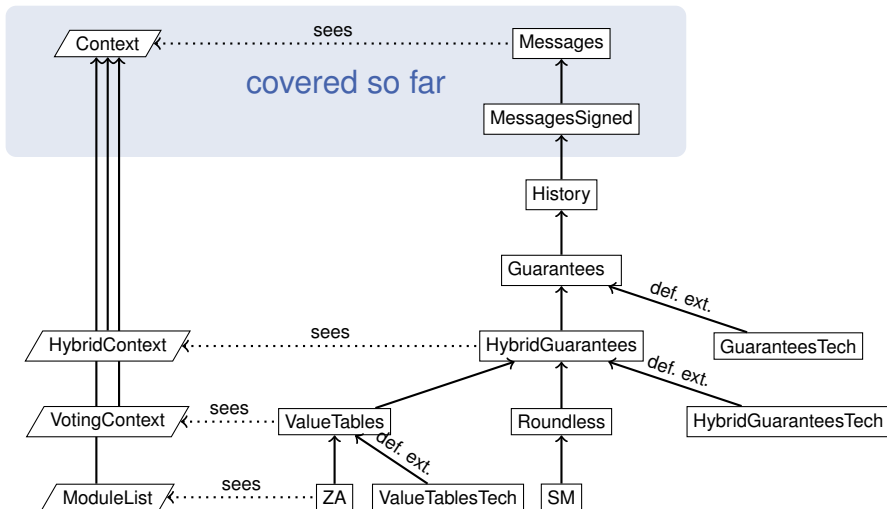
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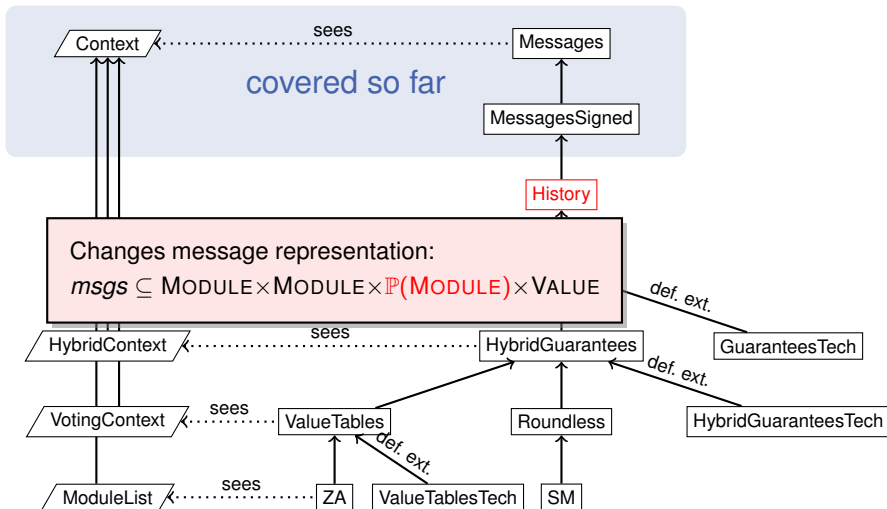
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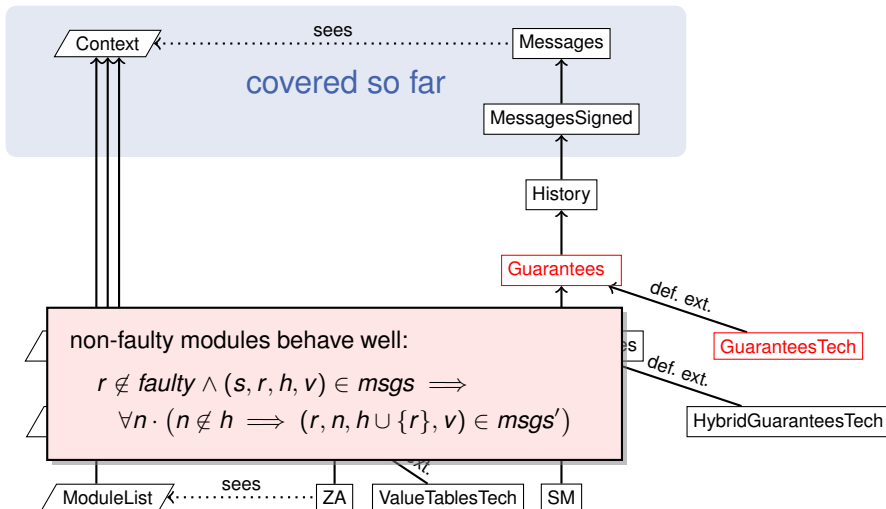
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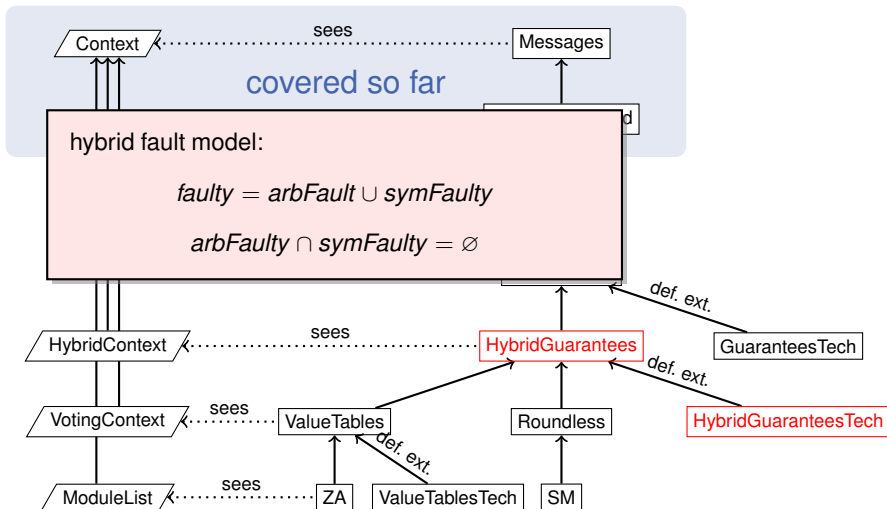
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new event structure:

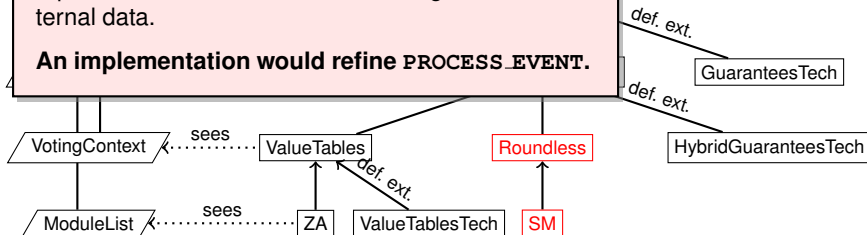
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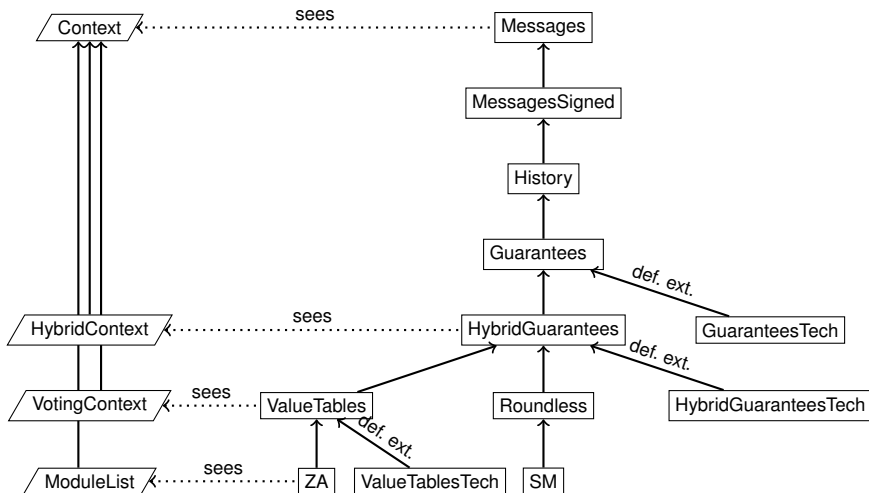
modifies internal data structures (invisible to abstract machine) and

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An implementation would refine `PROCESS_EVENT`.





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Numbers

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Labour:	approx. 4 person months
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Automation:	74/322, 23%