

# Monitoring Arithmetic Temporal Properties on Finite Traces

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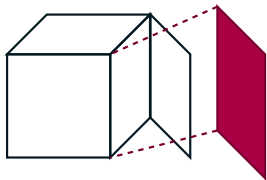
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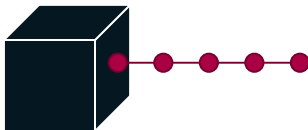
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# Checking properties of dynamic systems



- ▶ system **fully known**, **specification** available
- ▶ analyze **all** executions, or all execution trees

analysis task:  
model checking



- ▶ system **unknown**, or properties **inaccessible**
- ▶ analyze **running execution** and its possible continuations

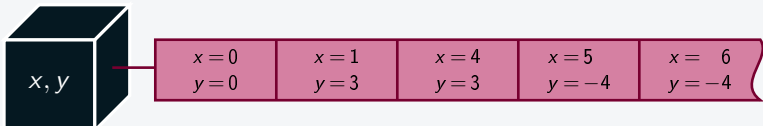
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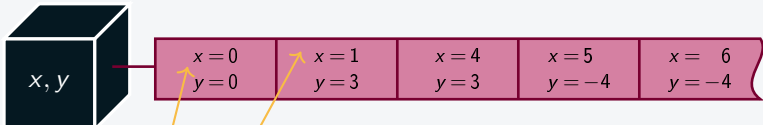
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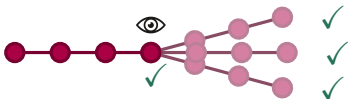
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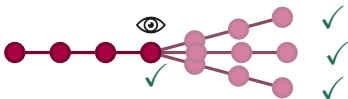




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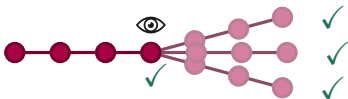


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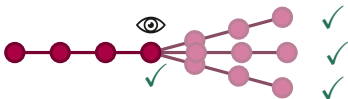
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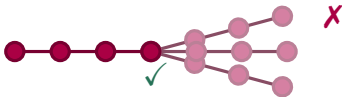
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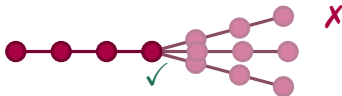
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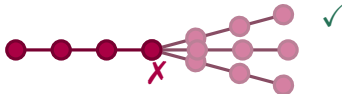
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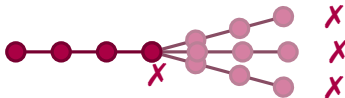
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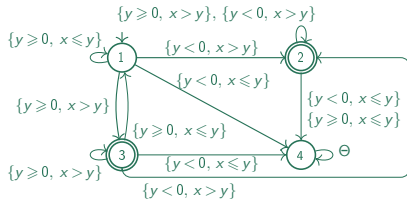
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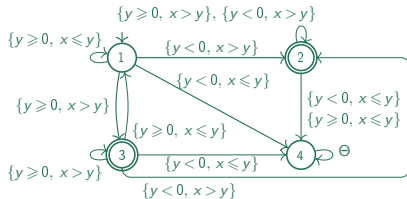
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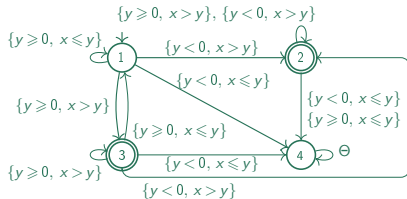
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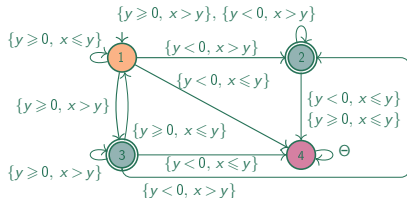
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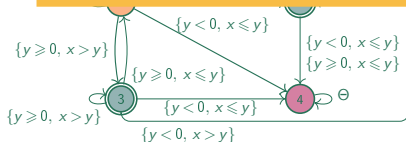
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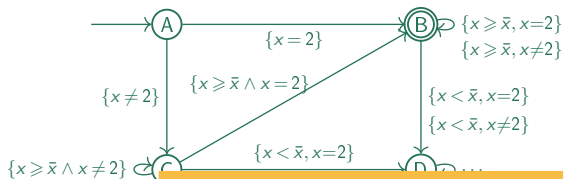
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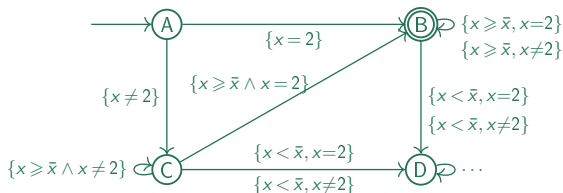
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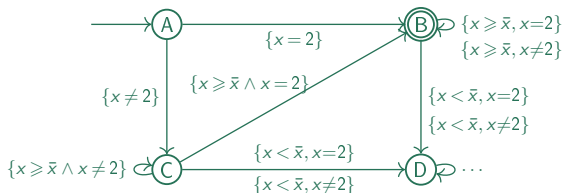
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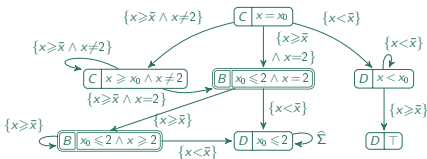
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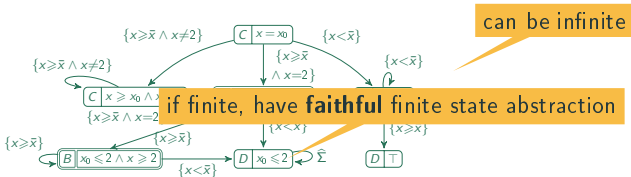
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*monitoring task is solvable for any  $\psi$  that has finite summary, and MONITOR is monitoring procedure*

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# Concrete solvable property classes

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