

DECIDABLE FRAGMENTS OF LTL_f MODULO THEORIES

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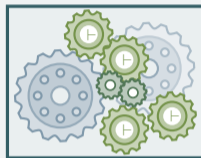
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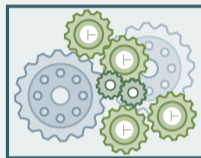
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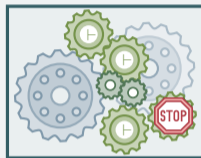
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- ▶ first-order atoms over arbitrary theories

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► **existential** and **universal** quantification

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► first-order constants

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► quantified first-order variables z

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► first-order variables x

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▶ **next-value** variables $\bigcirc x$

i.e. the value of x at the next state

▶ **weak next-value** variables

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 - ▶ *dist* = 100

initially, *dist* has value 100

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at some point, *goal-reached* is true

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while *dist* is not near goal, *dist* decreases monotonically

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$$\text{LRA} + \text{near-goal}_{\mathcal{M}} = \begin{cases} \text{true} & \text{if } dist \leq 0.01 \\ \text{false} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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- ▶ can describe **business processes** that operate over data and access read-only database

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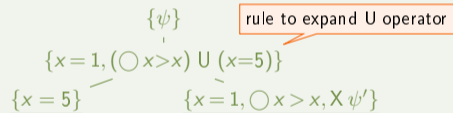


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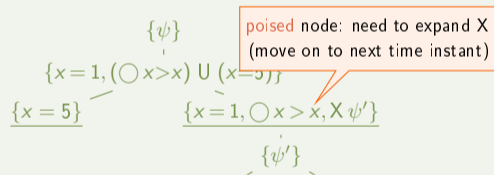


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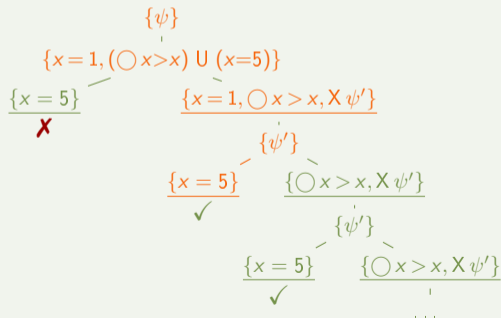


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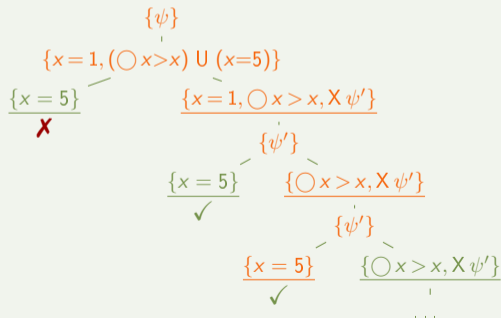


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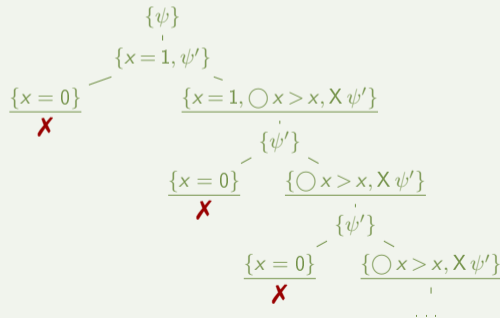
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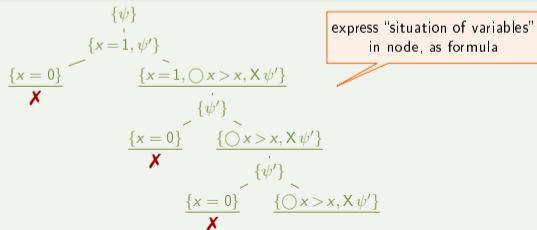
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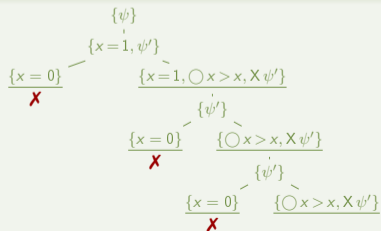
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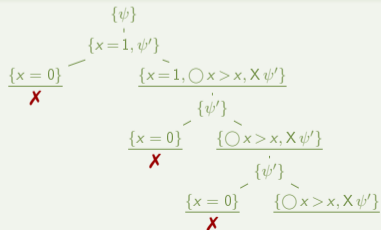
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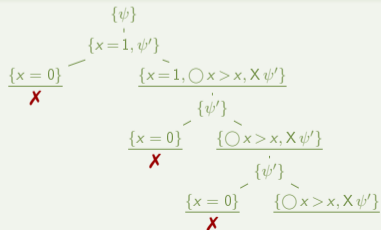
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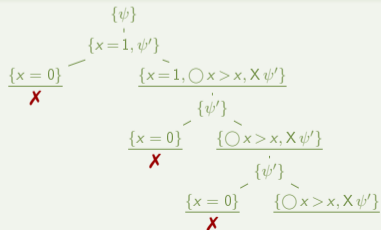
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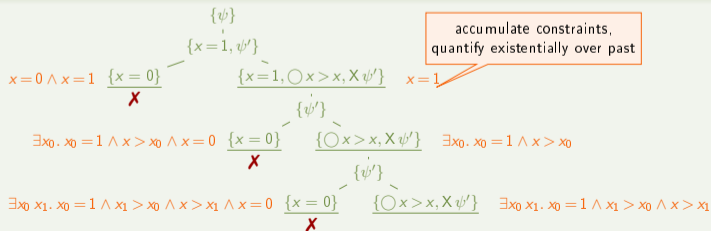
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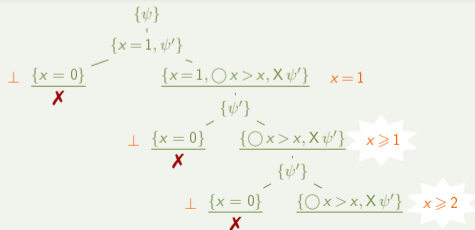
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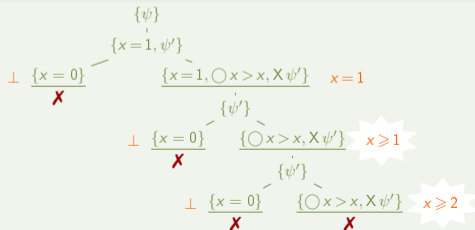
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Theorem (Soundness and completeness)

for $LTL_f MT$ formula ψ , tableau with PRUNE rule has *accepted branch* iff ψ is *satisfiable*

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Future work

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- ▶ in traces, allow interpretations of relations and functions to change over time
- ▶ extension to branching time logics
- ▶ LTL_f MT monitoring