



# VERIFIED MODEL CHECKING OF TIMED AUTOMATA

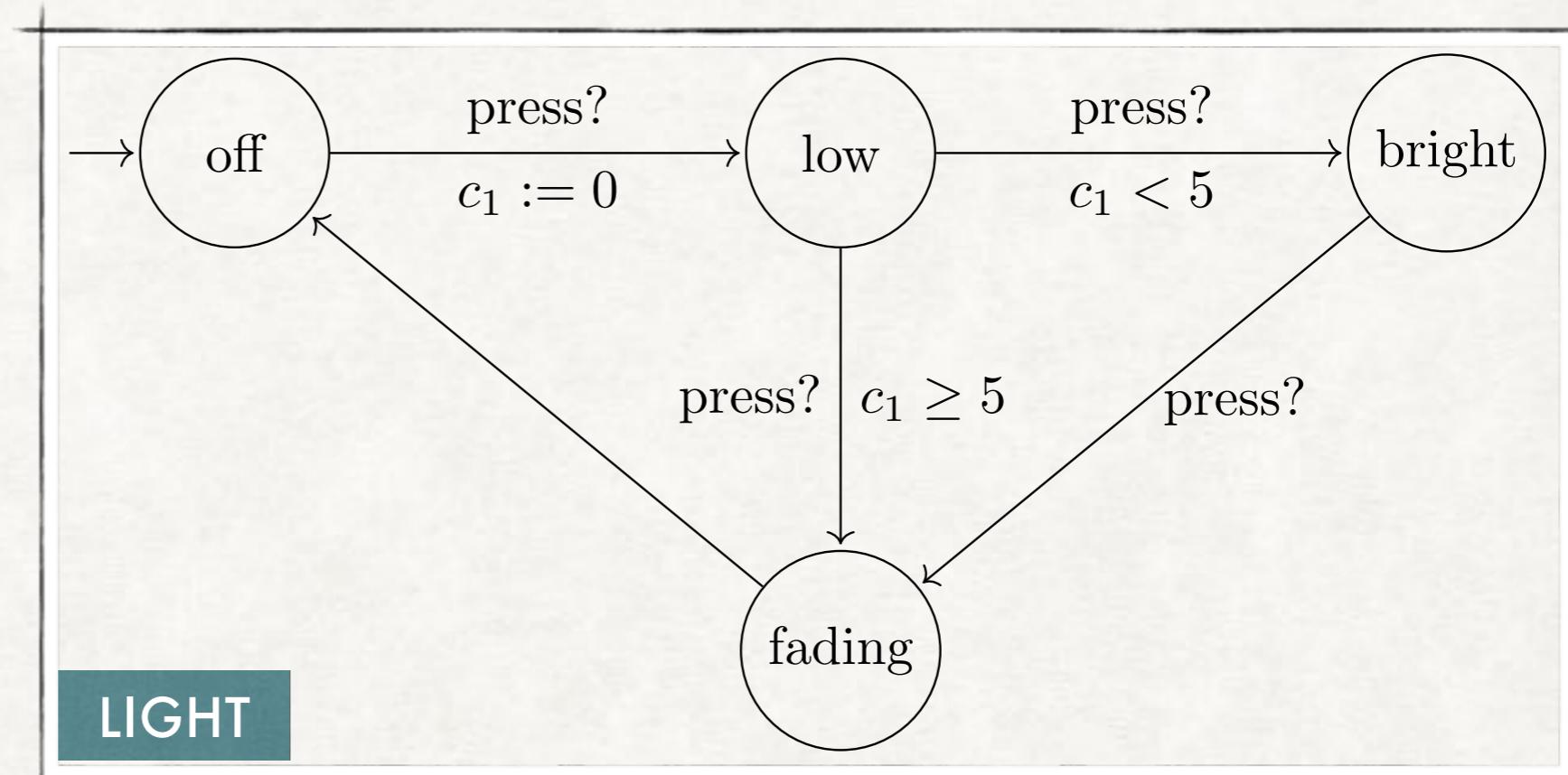
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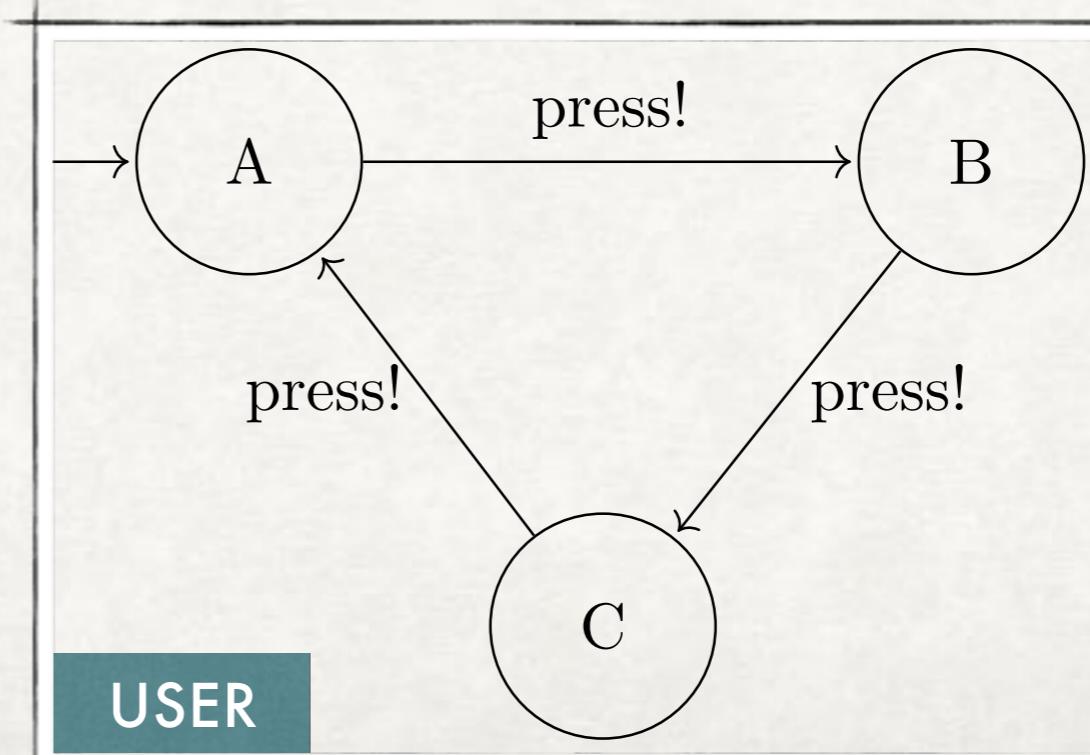
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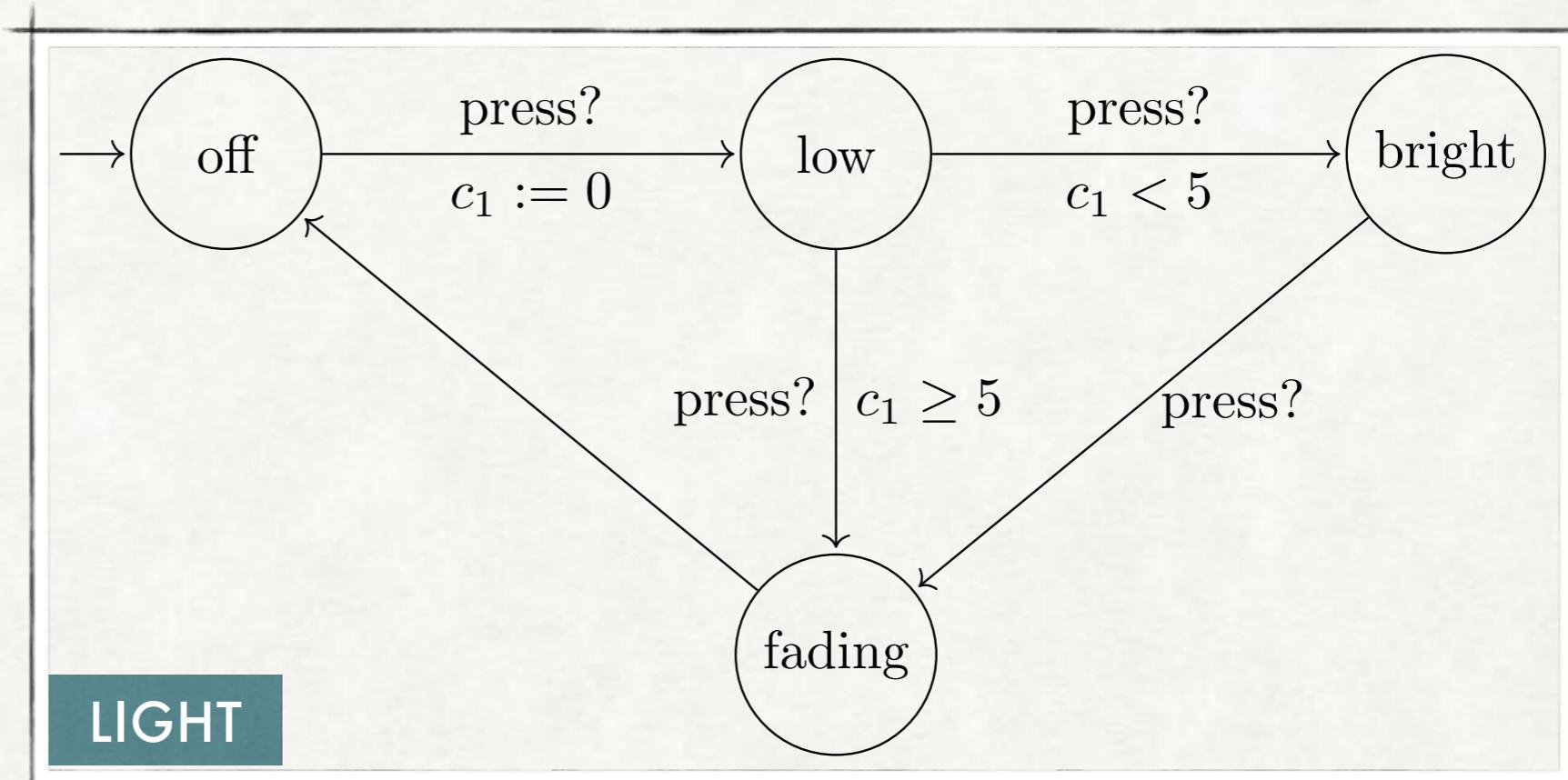
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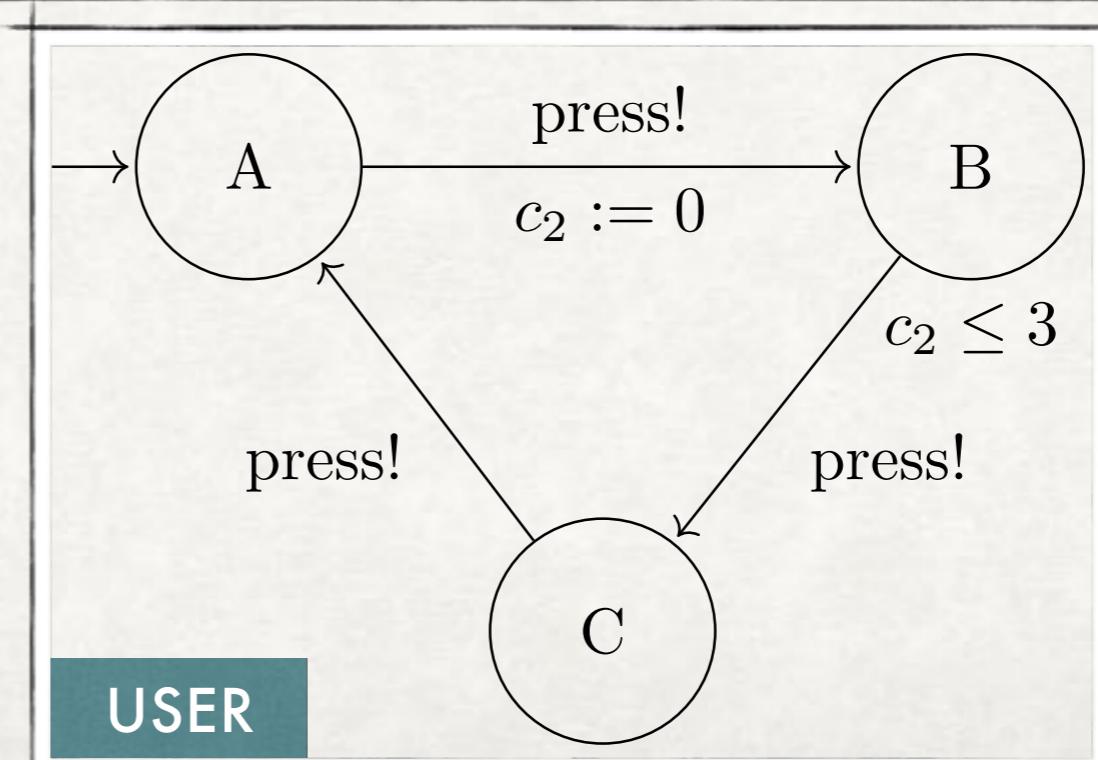
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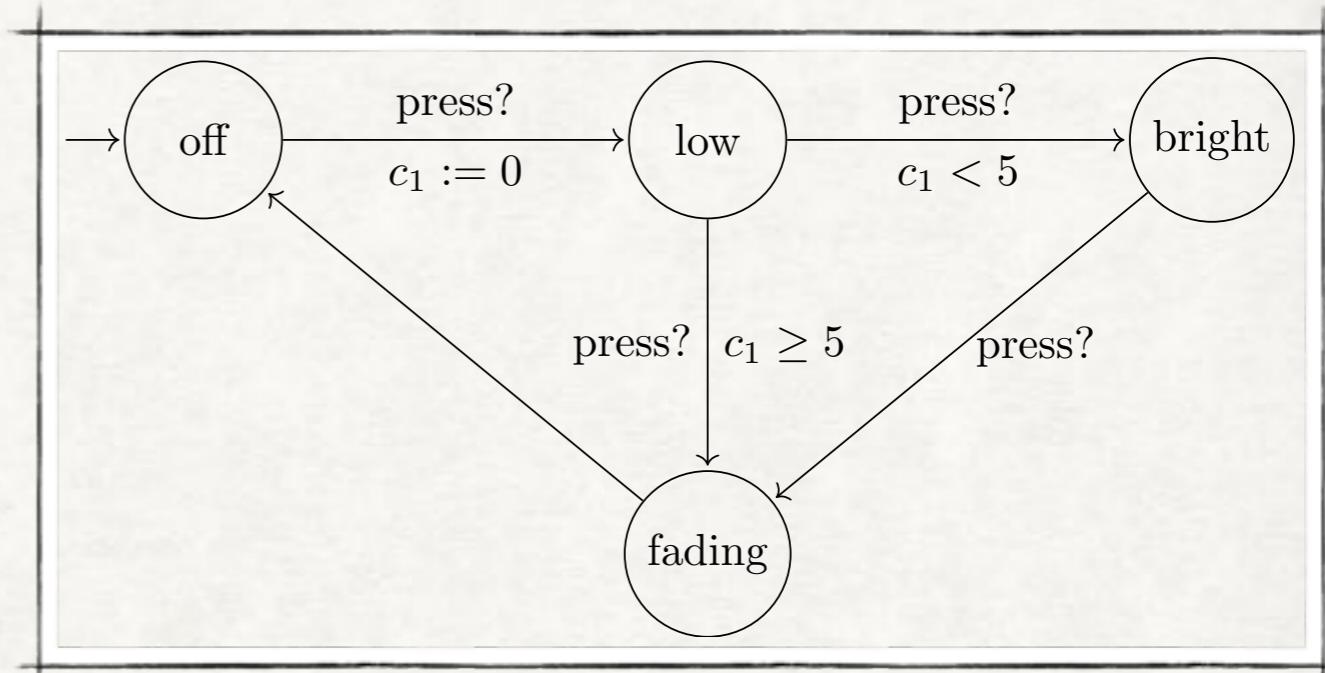
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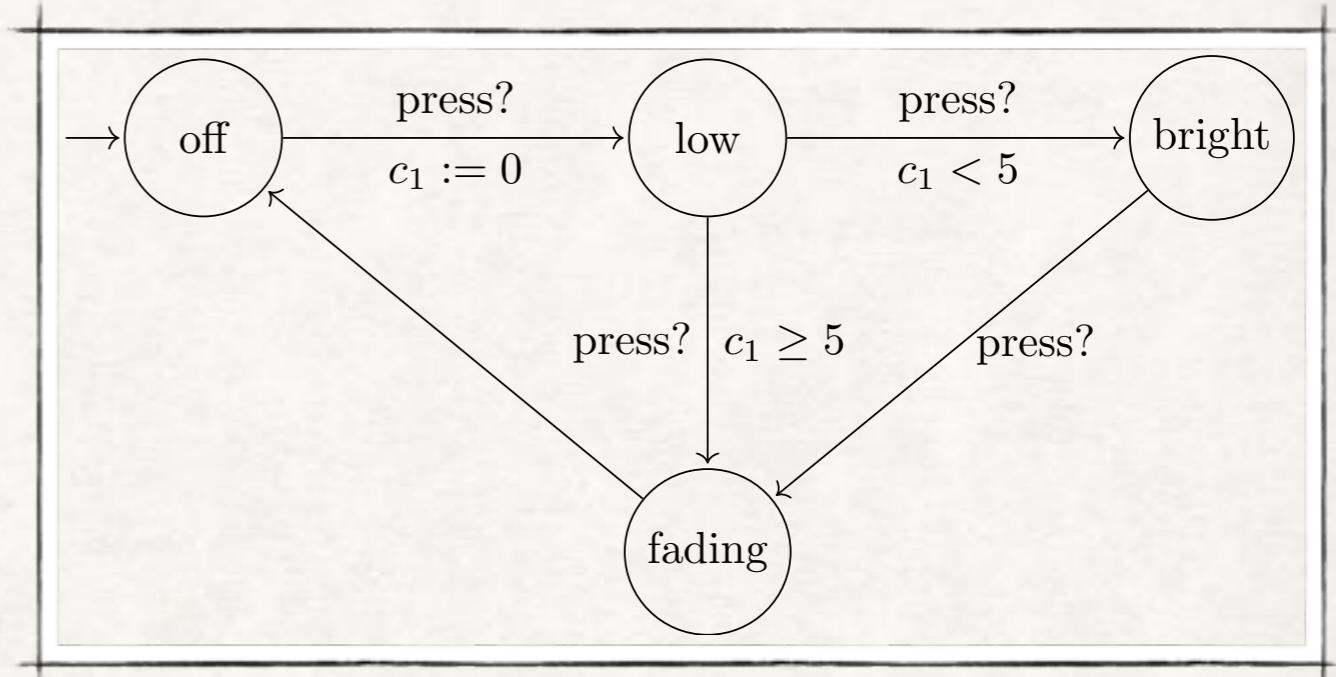
## SEMANTICS

- Types of transitions:  
**delay and action**
- Clock valuations:  $nat \Rightarrow real$   
→ Infinite Semantics
- Clock constraints:  
 $(\lambda c. 1) \vdash c_1 > 0 \wedge c_2 \leq 3$   
→ Invariants on nodes and  
guards on edges



# MODEL CHECKING

- Clock valuations:  $nat \Rightarrow real$   
→ Infinite Semantics
- Concrete states ( $l$ ,  $u$ ) to abstract states ( $l$ ,  $Z$ )
  - node  $l$
- clock valuation  $u: nat \Rightarrow real$
- $Z$  a set of clock valuations (zone):  $(nat \Rightarrow real)$  set
- Symbolic computation: zones as clock constraints  
→ Difference Bound Matrices (DBMs)



# MODEL CHECKING?

- However: number of zones (or DBMs) is infinite  
→ **Approximations**: cut-off at largest entry in the automaton
- Getting these approximations right is **hard!**
- Bouyer 2003:
  - Most correctness proofs incomplete/wrong
  - Approximation is **unsound** for general TA  
→ Restriction to diagonal-free TA (what we do)  
or represent zones as unions of DBMs

# OBJECTIVE

- Provide verified reference implementation for TA MC
  - Not meant to replace existing MCs
  - Rather allow validation of existing MCs against it
  - Experimentation platform
- Thus we need:
  - Acceptable performance
  - High feature compatibility with relevant modelling formalisms

# ABSTRACT FORMALISATION

## THE STARTING POINT

- ITP 2016: Isabelle/HOL formalisation of TA
- Main Results:
  - Approximations of zones are indeed sound
  - **Abstractly**, the typical reachability checking algorithm for **single** TA is sound & complete

# WHAT WERE WE MISSING?

- Efficient Algorithms
  - DBMs as imperative arrays with destructive updates
  - Search algorithms with subsumption
- Expressive modelling language
  - Networks of automata with synchronisation
  - State of the art tool Uppaal accepts a C-like language

# HOW DO WE GET THERE?

- Efficient Algorithms → Refinement
  - DBMs as imperative arrays with destructive updates  
**Imperative Refinement Framework:**  
abstract functional impl. → efficient imperative impl.
  - Search algorithms with subsumption
- Expressive modelling language
  - Networks of automata with synchronisation  
**Product construction:** reduction to single TA model checking
  - State of the art tool Uppaal accepts a C-like language  
**Program analysis:** not every input constitutes a valid (single) TA

# AGENDA

- MAIN THEOREM
- REFINEMENT
- PROGRAM ANALYSIS
- PRODUCT CONSTRUCTION
- EXPERIMENTS
- FUTURE WORK

# WHAT DO WE PROVE?

NO DEADLOCK

SUCCESS

HOARE TRIPLE IN  
IMPERATIVE-HOL

SAT/UNSAT?

$\{emp\}$

$precond\_mc p m k max\_steps I T prog formula bounds P s_0$

$\{\lambda Some r \Rightarrow valid\_input p m max\_steps I T prog bounds P s_0 na k \wedge$   
 $(\neg deadlock (conv N) (init, s_0, u_0) \Rightarrow$

$r = conv N, (init, s_0, u_0) \models_{max\_steps} formula)$

$| None \Rightarrow \neg valid\_input p m max\_steps I T prog bounds P s_0 na k\}$

FAILURE

INPUT IS VALID AND LIES IN THE SUPPORTED FRAGMENT?

# REFINEMENT

# REFINEMENT BY EXAMPLE

```
up M = (λi j.  
  if i > 0 then if j = 0 then ∞  
  else min(M i 0 + M 0 j)(M i j)  
  else M i j)
```

ASSUME THAT M  
IS NORMALISED

EXPLICIT PROOF



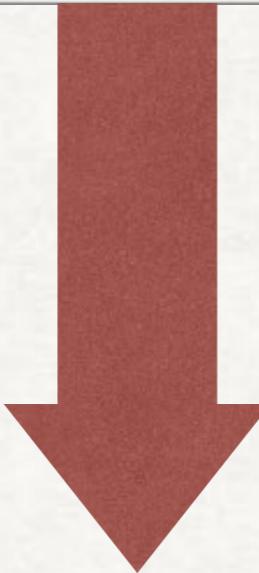
```
up1 M = (λi j.  
  if i > 0 ∧ j = 0  
  then ∞  
  else M i j)
```

# REFINEMENT BY EXAMPLE

$$\begin{aligned} up_1 \ M = & (\lambda i \ j. \\ & \text{if } i > 0 \wedge j = 0 \\ & \text{then } \infty \\ & \text{else } M \ i \ j) \end{aligned}$$

FUNCTIONAL  
PROGRAM

EXPLICIT PROOF

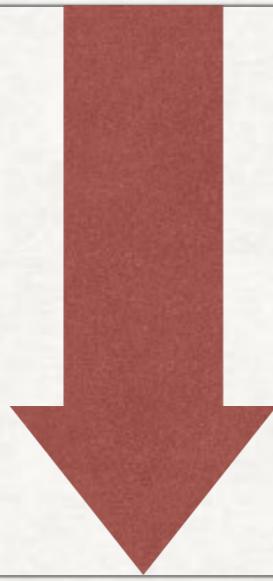

$$\begin{aligned} up_2 \ M \ n = & fold \\ & (\lambda i \ M. \ M((i, 0) := \infty)) \\ & [1 .. < n + 1] \ M \end{aligned}$$

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IMPERATIVE  
IMPLEMENTATION

EXTRACTED  
SEMI-AUTOMATICALLY


$$\begin{aligned} up_3 \ M \ n &= imp\_for' \ 1 \ (n + 1) \\ &(\lambda i \ M. \ mtx\_set \ (n + 1) \ M \ (i, 0) \ \infty) \\ &\quad M \end{aligned}$$

# IMPERATIVE REFINEMENT WITH THE IMPERATIVE REFINEMENT FRAMEWORK

- Semi-automatically synthesise imp. implementation
  - Parametricity ('truly polymorphic functions ignore the type')
  - Separation logic with some automated frame inference
- Proved automatically:

$$(up_3, up_2) \in mtx\_assn^d * nat\_assn^k \rightarrow mtx\_assn$$

# CYCLICITY CHECKER FOR LIVENESS PROPERTIES

'PSEUDOCODE'

ANY  
RELATION/TS/  
GRAPH

SETS

SUBSUMPTION

```
dfs P = do {
  ( $P, ST, r$ )  $\leftarrow$  recT ( $\lambda dfs (P, ST, v)$ ).
  do {
    if  $\exists v' \in set ST.$   $v' \preceq v$  then return ( $P, ST, True$ )
    else do {
      if  $\exists v' \in P.$   $v \preceq v'$  then return ( $P, ST, False$ )
      else do {
        let  $ST = v \cdot ST;$ 
        ( $P, ST', r$ )  $\leftarrow$ 
          foreach  $\{v' \mid v \rightarrow v'\}$  ( $\lambda(-, -, b).$   $\neg b$ )
            ( $\lambda v' (P, ST, -).$  dfs ( $P, ST, v'$ )))
          ( $P, ST, False$ );
        assert ( $ST' = ST$ );
        return (insert  $v$   $P, tl ST', r$ )
      }
    }
  }
} (  $P, [], a_0$  );
return (  $r, P$  ) }
```

# CYCLICITY CHECKER

## LAYERED REFINEMENT

- Non-determinism monad ('give me any  $x$  such that ...')
- Verification Condition Generator
- Final data structure resembles Uppaal's unified PW list
- Main theorems:

$$\begin{aligned} \textit{dfs } P \leq \text{SPEC } (\lambda(r, P'). (r \implies (\exists x. a_0 \rightarrow^* x \wedge x \rightarrow^+ x)) \\ \wedge (\neg r \implies \neg(\exists x. a_0 \rightarrow^* x \wedge x \rightarrow^+ x) \wedge \textit{liveness\_compatible } P')) \end{aligned}$$

if *liveness\_compatible P*

$$(\textit{dfs\_map}, \textit{dfs}) \in \textit{map\_set\_rel} \rightarrow \textit{Id} \times_r \textit{map\_set\_rel}$$

# PROGRAM ANALYSIS & PRODUCT CONSTRUCTION

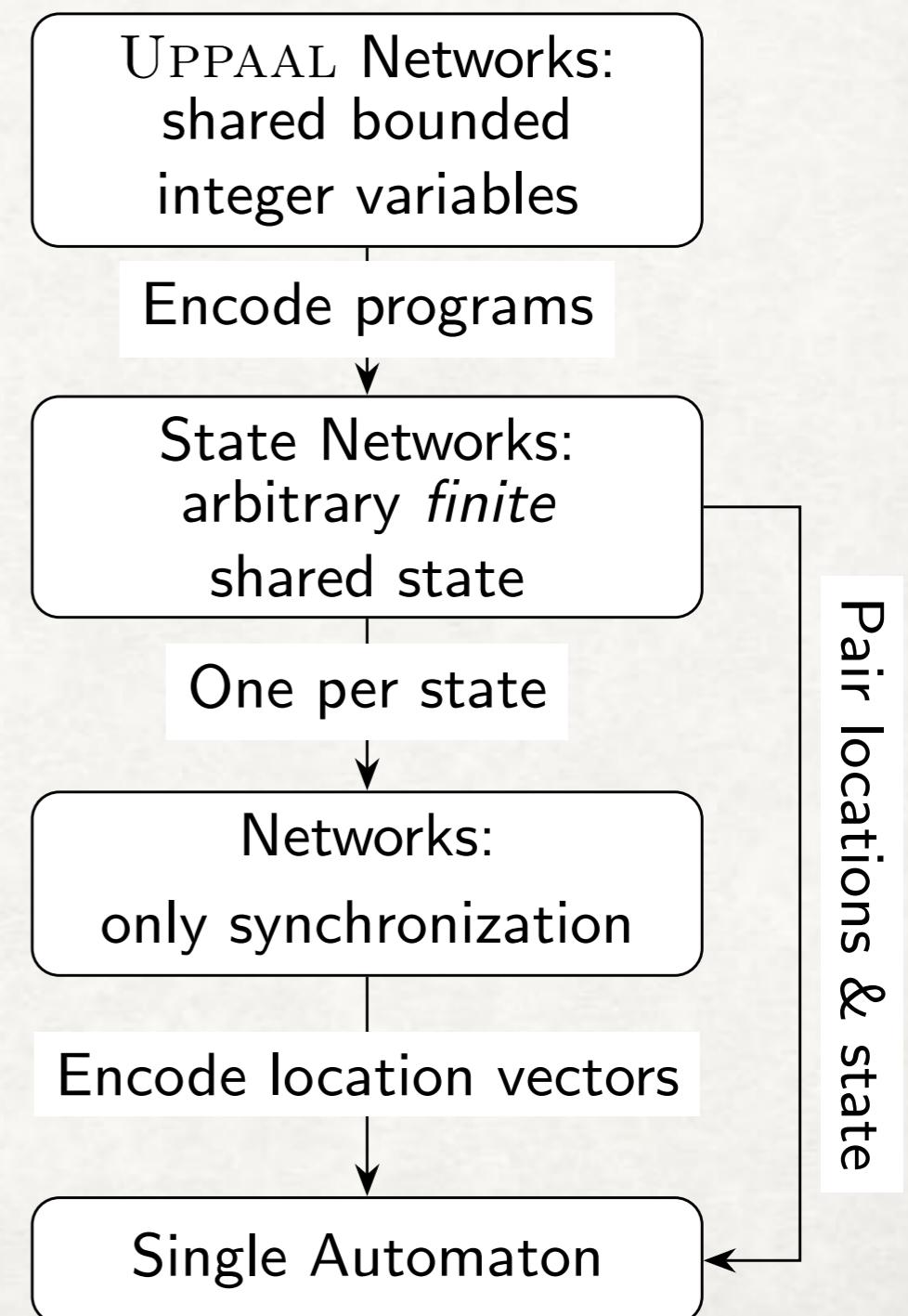
# PROGRAM ANALYSIS

## TO ENSURE THE INPUT IS VALID

- Input: Uppaal bytecode (interpreted with finite fuel)  
Assembler-style language for updates and guards
- Main property: Successful executions only induce conjunctive clock constraints ( $c_1 > 0 \wedge c_2 < 3$  but not  $c_1 > 0 \vee c_2 < 3$ )
- Very simplistic analysis:
  - Approximate set of reachable instructions for a given guard
  - Check that clock expressions only occur in a 'conjunction block'

# PRODUCT CONSTRUCTION

- From networks to single TA MC
  - Shared bounded integer variables
  - Networks with sync. over channels
  - Retains ability to do MC on the fly



# EXPERIMENTS

Model	Prop	SAT	Size	Our Tool			#states	time	Ratio	
				#states	time <sub>1</sub>	time <sub>2</sub>			TR <sub>1</sub>	TR <sub>2</sub>
Fischer	R	N	5	38578	6,93	2,14	3739	0,062	<b>10,83</b>	<b>3,35</b>
	L	Y	5	42439	7,87	2,24	8149	0,112	<b>13,49</b>	<b>3,84</b>
		Y	6	697612	373	132	67325	1,94	<b>18,56</b>	<b>6,57</b>
FDDI	R	N	8	6720	35,1	8,92	5416	0,789	<b>35,85</b>	<b>9,11</b>
		N	10	29759	173	33,2	24120	6,64	<b>21,12</b>	<b>4,05</b>
	L	Y	6	2083	9,38	2,69	2439	0,159	<b>69,08</b>	<b>19,81</b>
		Y	7	3737	18,1	5,74	4944	0,406	<b>58,98</b>	<b>18,70</b>
CSMA/CD	R	N	5	9959	5,29	1,18	2769	0,102	<b>14,42</b>	<b>3,22</b>
		N	6	81463	72	15,6	17939	2,18	<b>7,27</b>	<b>1,58</b>
	L	Y	5	11526	5,81	1,28	3867	0,091	<b>21,33</b>	<b>4,70</b>
		Y	6	96207	76,4	16,6	23454	2,13	<b>8,74</b>	<b>1,90</b>

throughput = #states/time

# FUTURE

- Can we find bugs in actual model checkers?
- Can we certify model checking results **efficiently**?  
TA MC uses **subsumption**: final invariant may be much smaller than total number of explored states
- Extensions: **Probabilistic Timed Automata**,  
(more complex hybrid systems?)
- > 50000 lines of formalisation vs 5403 lines of SML checker



THANK YOU!  
QUESTIONS?



[wimmers.github.io/munta](https://wimmers.github.io/munta)