

Property-Directed Reachability *or IC3*

(a simplified version)



PDR

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- Makes no copies of transition relation – memory efficient
- Overapproximate pimage (like interpolation)

PDR Notation

Formula $X(V) \wedge R(V, V') \wedge Y(V')$ is shortened to $\mathbf{X} \wedge \mathbf{R} \wedge \mathbf{Y}'$

Meaning: there is an edge from s to s'

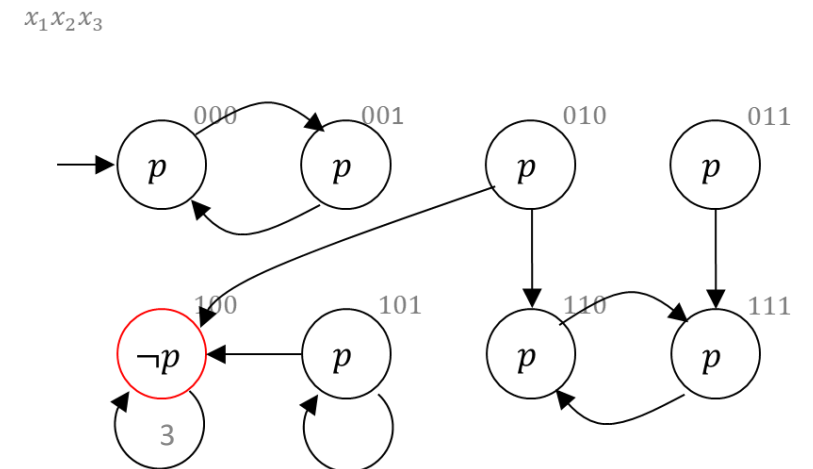
$\mathbf{s} := \mathbf{SAT}(A \wedge R \wedge B')$:

- $s := FALSE$ if $\neg \mathbf{SAT}(A \wedge R \wedge B')$
- $s :=$ a state in A with an edge to a state in B , otherwise

Example

$\mathbf{SAT}(x_1 \wedge R \wedge \neg x_1)$

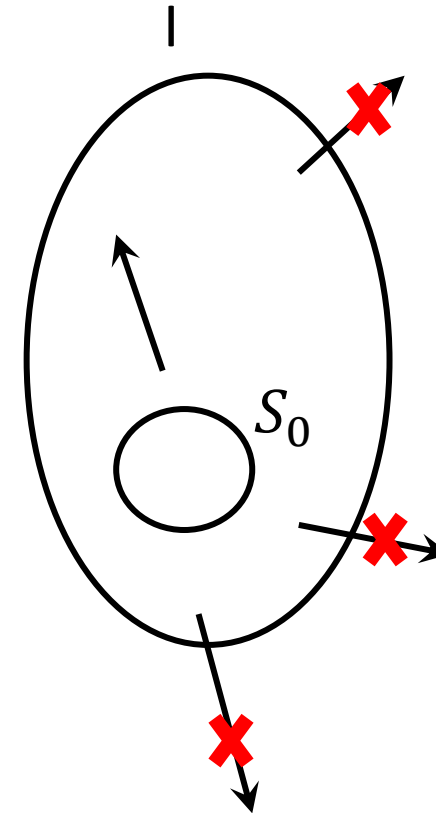
$\mathbf{SAT}(\neg x_1 \wedge R \wedge x_1')$



PDR: Notation

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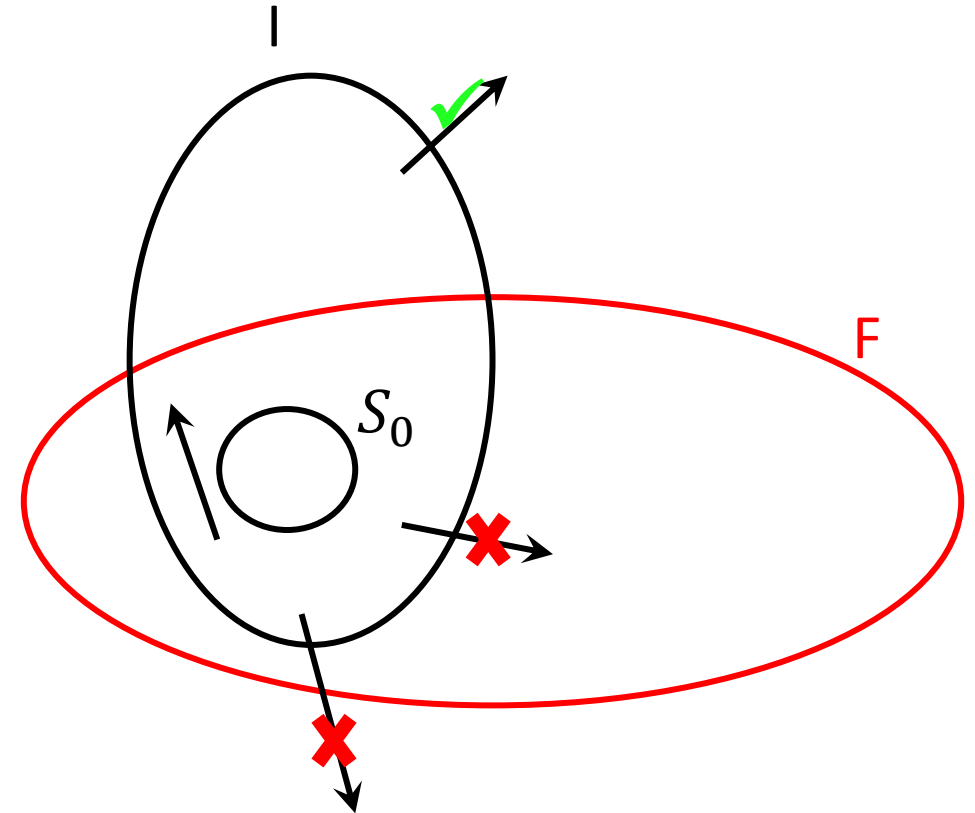


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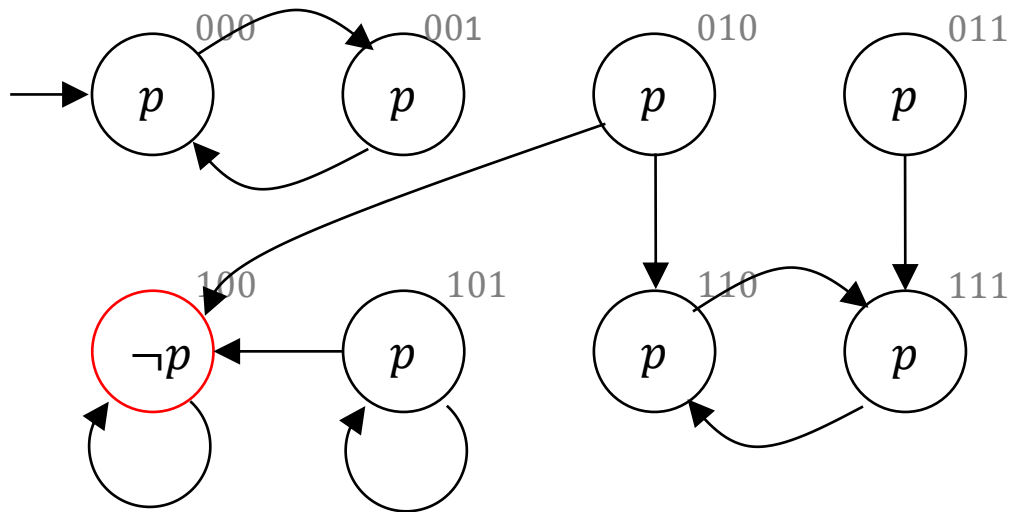
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- $I \subseteq S$ is **inductive relative to F** if
 1. $S_0 \rightarrow I$ ($S_0 \subseteq I$)
 2. $I \wedge F \wedge R \rightarrow I'$ ($img(F \cap I) \subseteq I$)



Relative Inductiveness

$x_1x_2x_3$

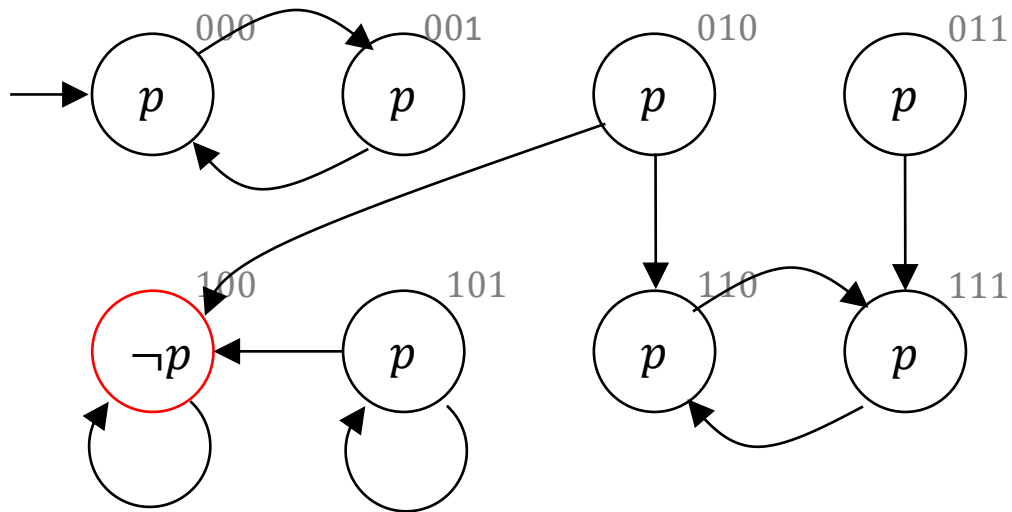


Inductive facts

- Is $\neg x_1$ inductive?
- Is $\neg x_2$ inductive?
- Is $\neg x_1$ inductive relative to x_2 ?

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Inductive facts

- Is $\neg x_1$ inductive?
 - $S_0 \rightarrow \neg x_1$
 - $\neg x_1 \wedge R \rightarrow \neg x'_1$ is **false**
 - **No!**
- Is $\neg x_2$ inductive?
 - $S_0 \rightarrow \neg x_2$
 - $\neg x_2 \wedge R \rightarrow \neg x'_2$
 - **Yes!**
- Is $\neg x_1$ inductive relative to $\neg x_2$?
 - $S_0 \rightarrow \neg x_1$
 - $\neg x_2 \wedge \neg x_1 \wedge R \rightarrow \neg x'_1$
 - **Yes!**

Idea: Find (relatively) inductive facts.

PDR: Data Structures & Invariants

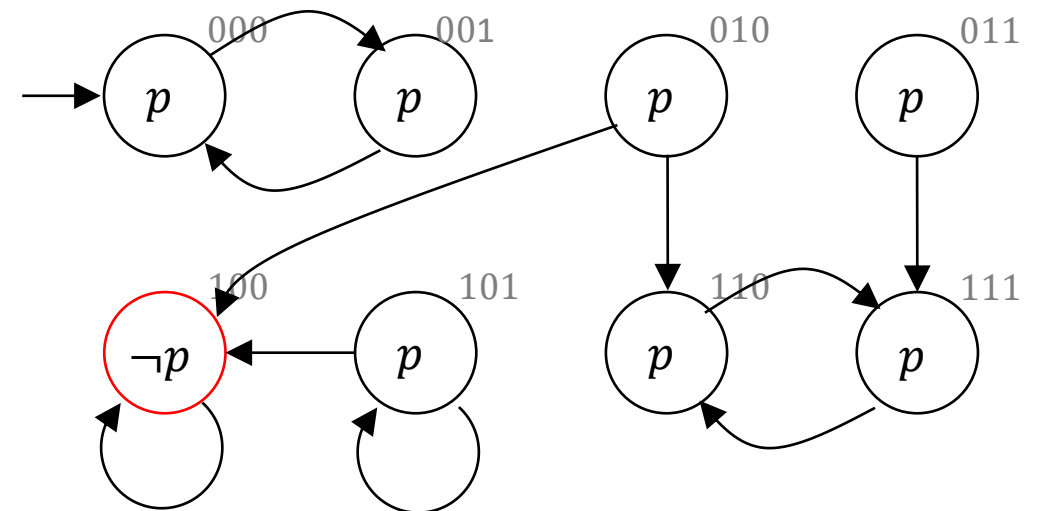
Data Structures

Clause: Disjunction of literals. E.g. $\neg x_1 \vee x_2 \vee \neg x_3$

Cube: Conjunction of literals. E.g. $\neg x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge \neg x_3$

- A state is a cube
- Clause and cubes are sets of states.
 - Longer clauses – more states. Longer cubes – fewer states

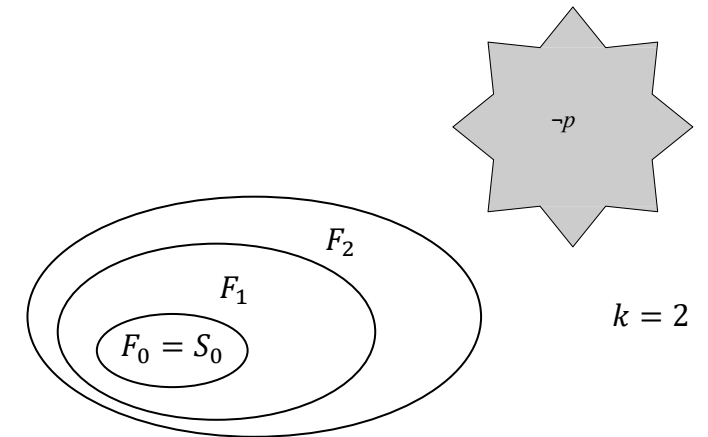
Formulas F_0, \dots, F_k over V ,
stored as sets of Clauses as CNF ($F_0, \dots, F_k \subseteq S$)



PDR: Data Structures & Invariants

Invariants

- I1: $S_0 \rightarrow F_0. (S_0 \subseteq F_0)$
- I2: $F_i \rightarrow F_{i+1}. (F_i \subseteq F_{i+1})$
 - I2': $F_i = F_{i+1} \wedge c_{i1} \wedge \dots \wedge c_{in}$
- I3: $F_i \rightarrow p. (F_i \subseteq p)$
- I4: $F_i \wedge R \rightarrow F'_{i+1} (postimg(F_i) \subseteq F_{i+1})$



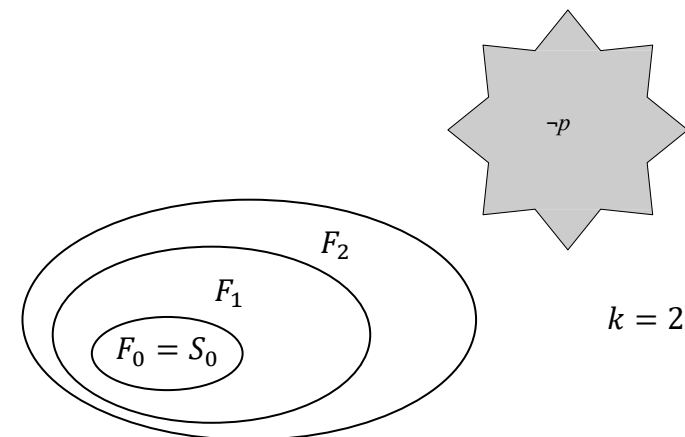
PDR: Data Structures & Invariants

Invariants

- I1: $S_0 = F_0$ ($S_0 = F_0$)
- I2: $F_i \rightarrow F_{i+1}$ ($F_i \subseteq F_{i+1}$)
 - I2': $F_i = F_{i+1} \wedge c_{i1} \wedge \dots \wedge c_{in}$
- I3: $F_i \rightarrow P$ ($F_i \subseteq P$)
- I4: $F_i \wedge R \rightarrow F'_{i+1}$ ($postimg(F_i) \subseteq F_{i+1}$)

Facts. Suppose we have frames F_0 through F_k

1. $\forall 0 < i \leq k$: There is no trace from F_i to $\neg p$ of $k - i$ edges or less (I3,I4)
2. There is no counterexample with k edges or less (with I1)
3. If $F_i = F_{i+1}$ then system is correct. (By I3, I4, F_i is an inductive invariant)



Storing Frames

$$I2': F_i = F_{i+1} \wedge c_{i1} \wedge \cdots \wedge c_{in}$$

For each frame F_i , store only Δ_i , the clauses that are new to that frame.

$$F_i = F_{i+1} \text{ iff } \Delta_i = \emptyset$$

PDR, First Version

function PDR(Model M)

if SAT($S_0 \wedge \neg P$) **or** SAT($S_0 \wedge R \wedge \neg P'$) **then FAIL**

$F_0 := S_0; F_1 := P; k := 1;$

while(true)

while($s := \text{SAT}(F_k \wedge R \wedge \neg P')$)

 removeBad(k, s)

$k++; F_k := P$

if $\exists 0 \leq i < k - 1: F_i = F_{i+1}$ **then SUCCEED**

// post: $\neg \text{SAT}(F_i \wedge s)$

function removeBad($i \in N$, state s)

if SAT($S_0 \wedge s$) **then FAIL**

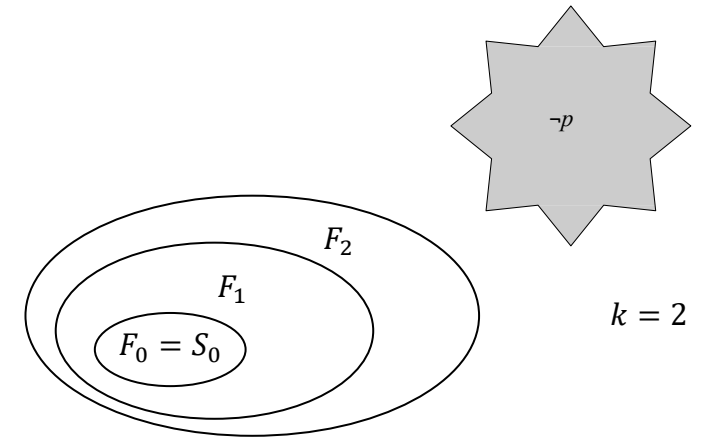
while($t := \text{SAT}(F_{i-1} \wedge R \wedge s')$)

 removeBad($i - 1, t$)

$\forall 0 < j \leq i: F_j := F_j \wedge \neg s$

remove states in F_k
with edge to $\neg P$

remove states in F_i
with path to $\neg P$ of
length $k - i + 1$



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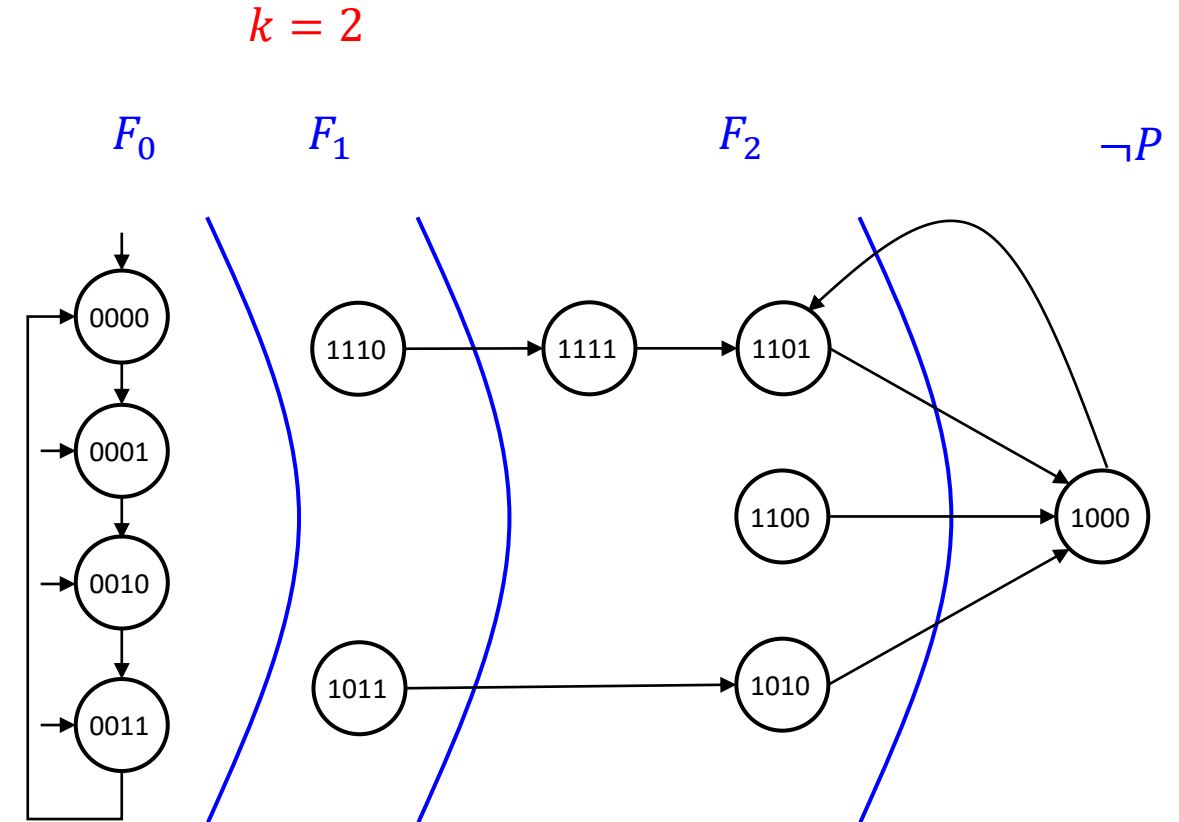
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  while(true)
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      removeBad(k, s)
       $k++ ; F_k := P$ 

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      removeBad( $i - 1, t$ )

     $\forall 0 < j \leq i : F_j := F_j \wedge \neg s$ 
  
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Goal: look for counterexamples of length 3.
 If we find one – done
 If we don't – We have an F_3

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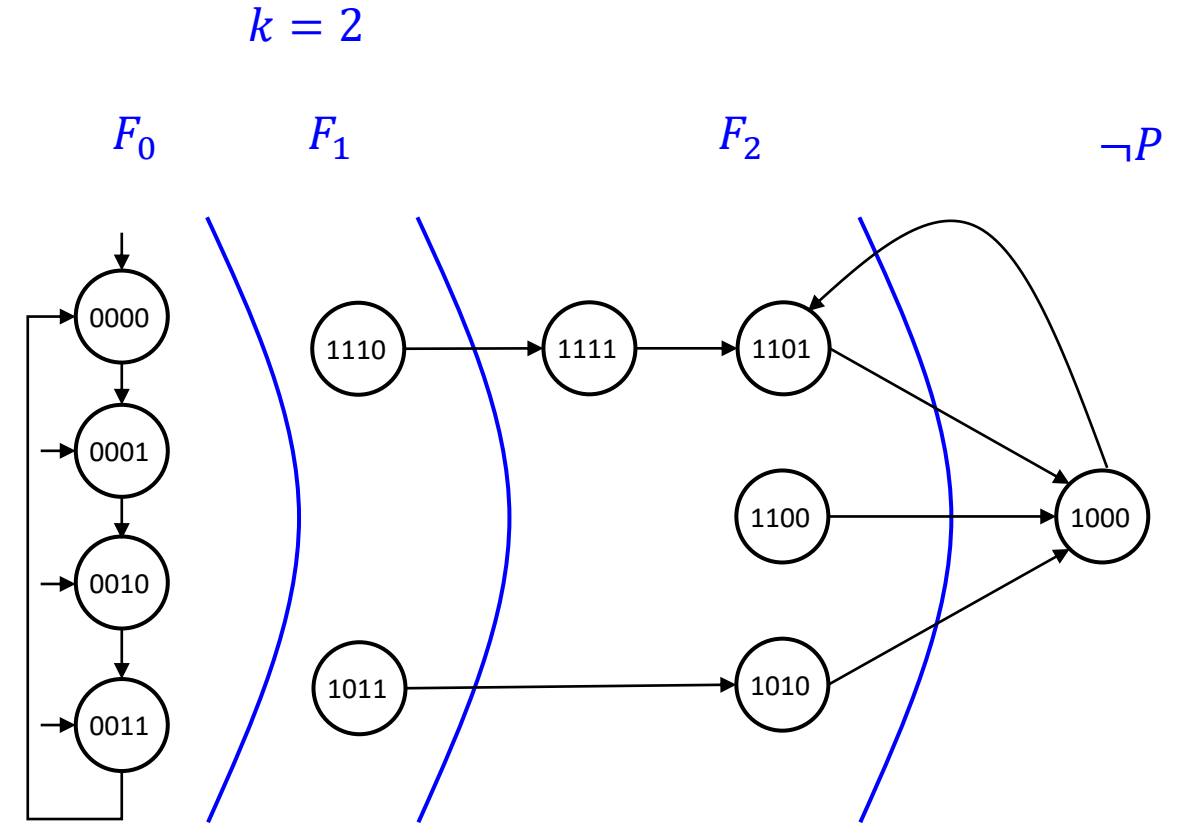
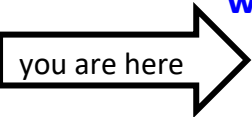
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Do the invariants hold?

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while(true)
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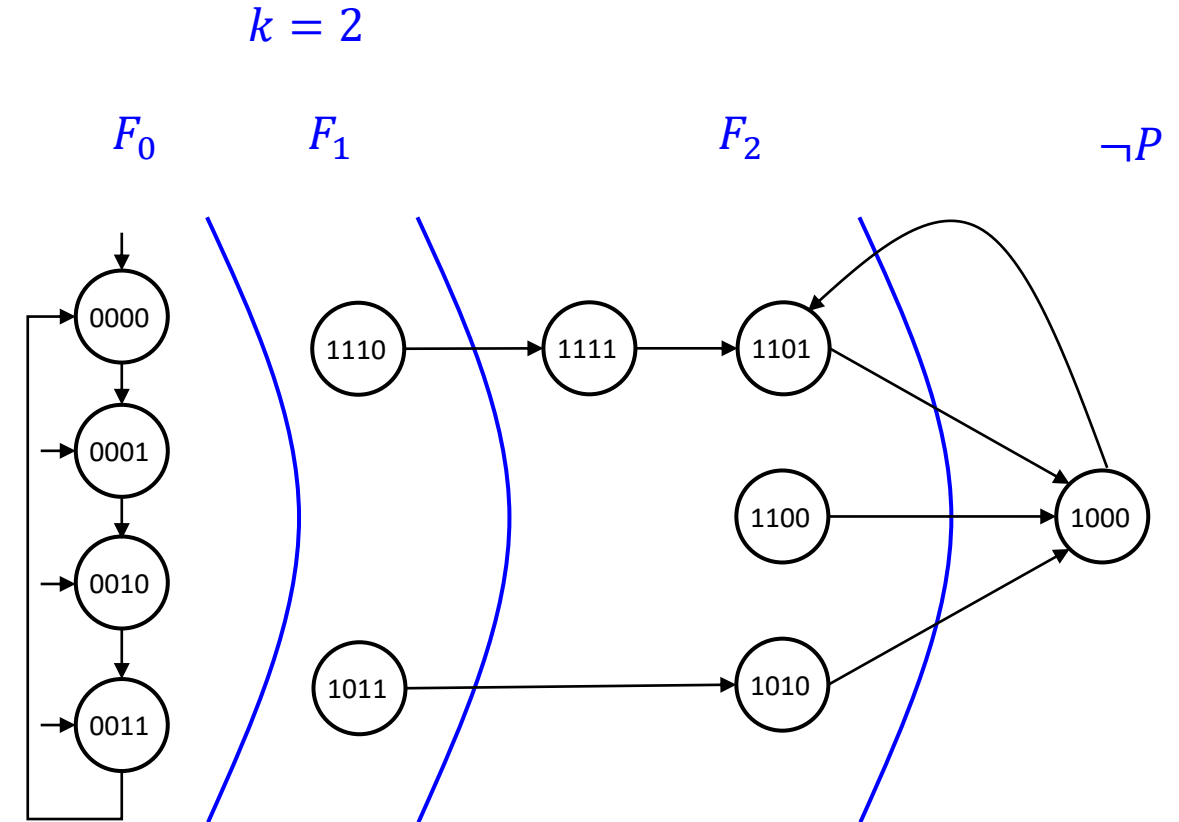
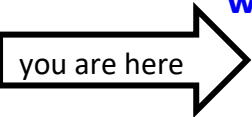
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    removeBad( $i - 1, t$ )
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   $\forall 0 < j \leq i : F_j := F_j \wedge \neg s$ 
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Suppose $s := 1101$

removeBad(2, 1101)

$SAT(F_{i-1} \wedge R \wedge s') = \text{FALSE}$

$F_2 := F_2 \wedge \neg(x_1 \wedge x_2, \neg x_3 \wedge x_4)$, same for F_1

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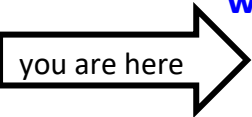
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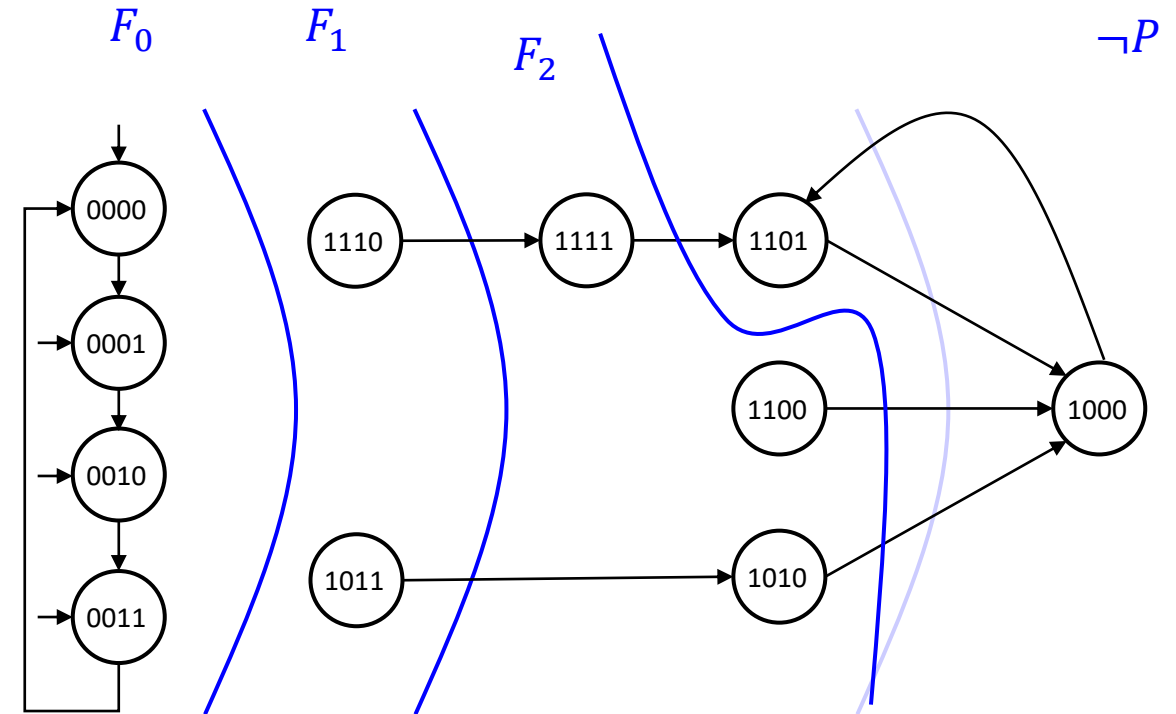
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$k = 2$



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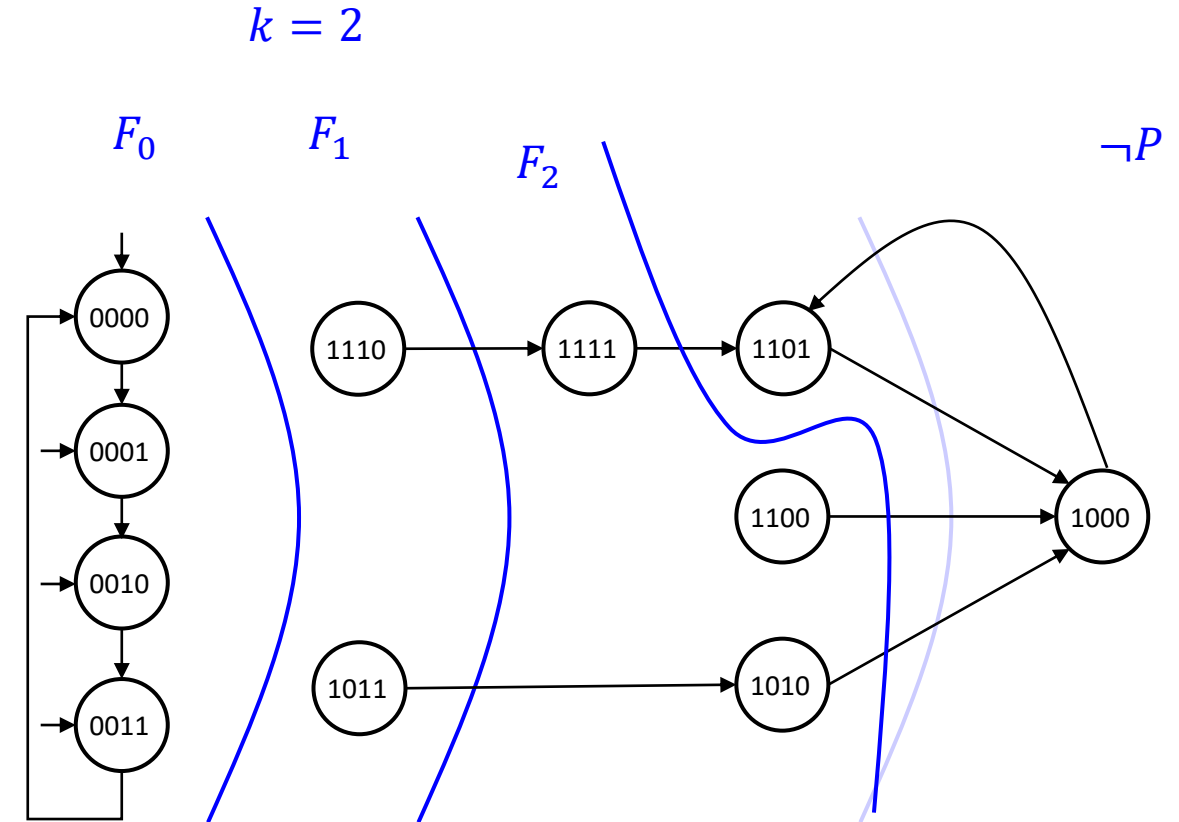
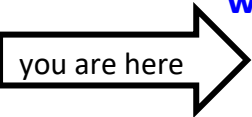
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   $\forall 0 < j \leq i : F_j := F_j \wedge \neg s$ 

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Suppose $s = 1100$, this state is removed from F_2
 Suppose $s = 1010$
 removeBad(2, 1010), leads to removal of 1011 from F_1

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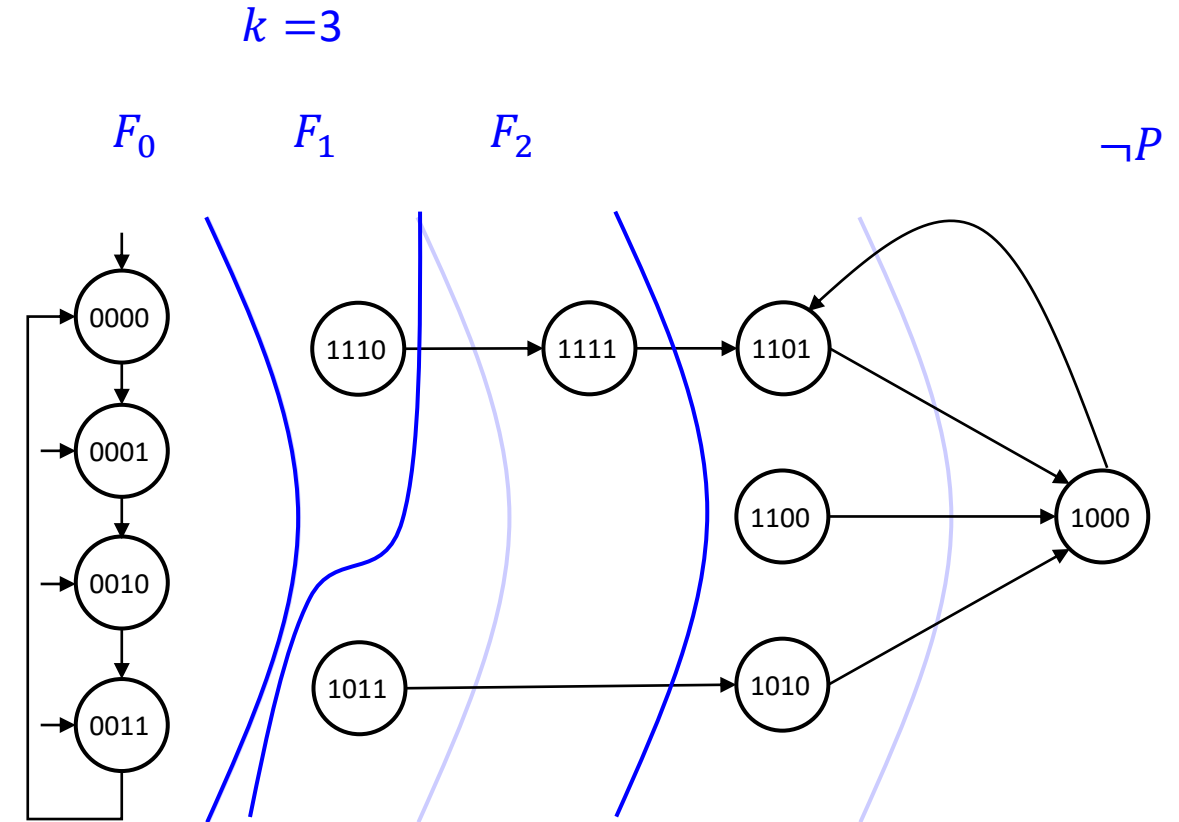
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function removeBad( $i \in N, \text{state } s$ )
  if SAT( $S_0 \wedge c$ ) then FAIL
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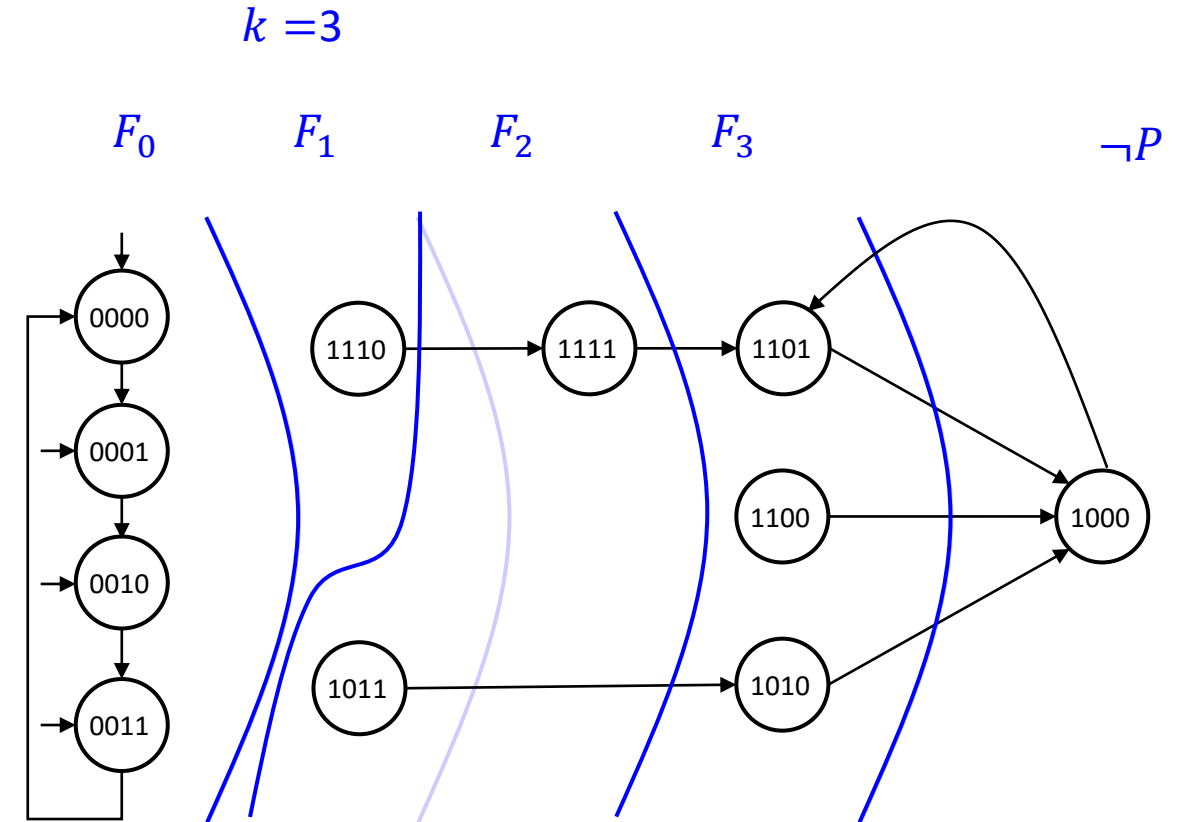
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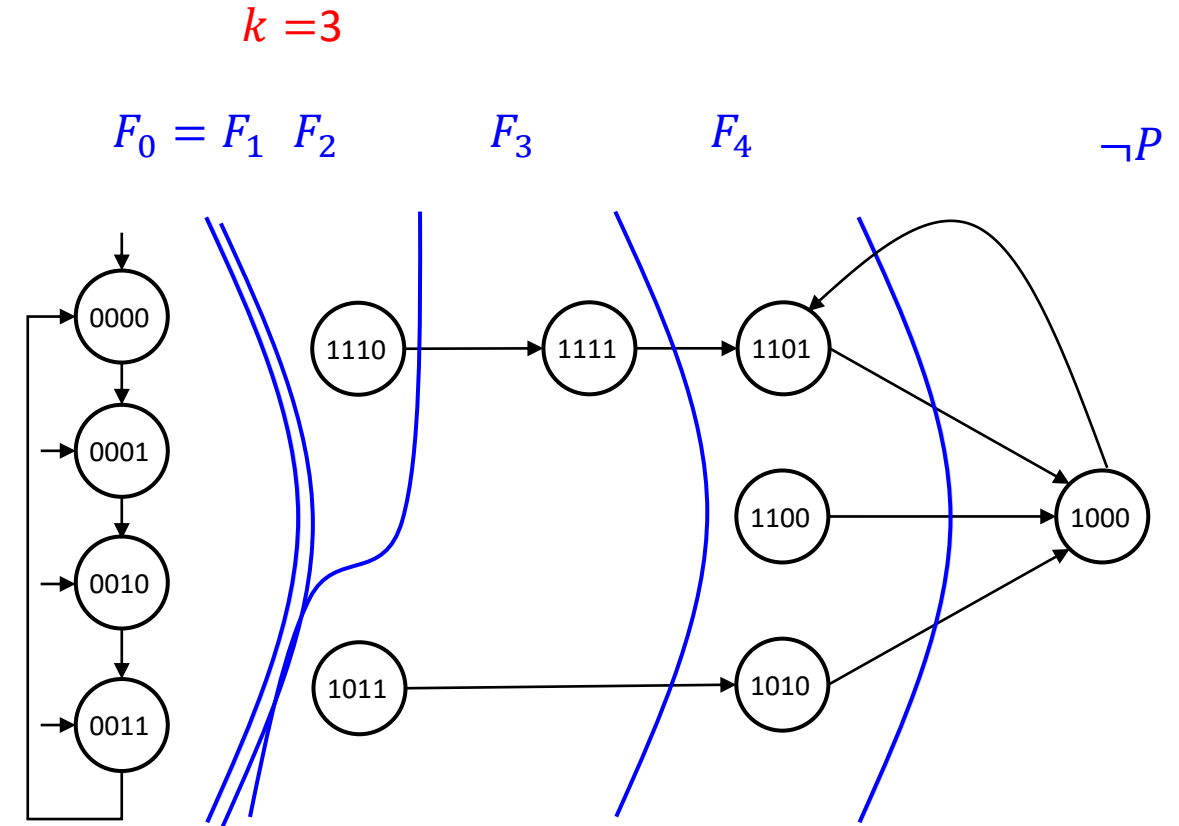
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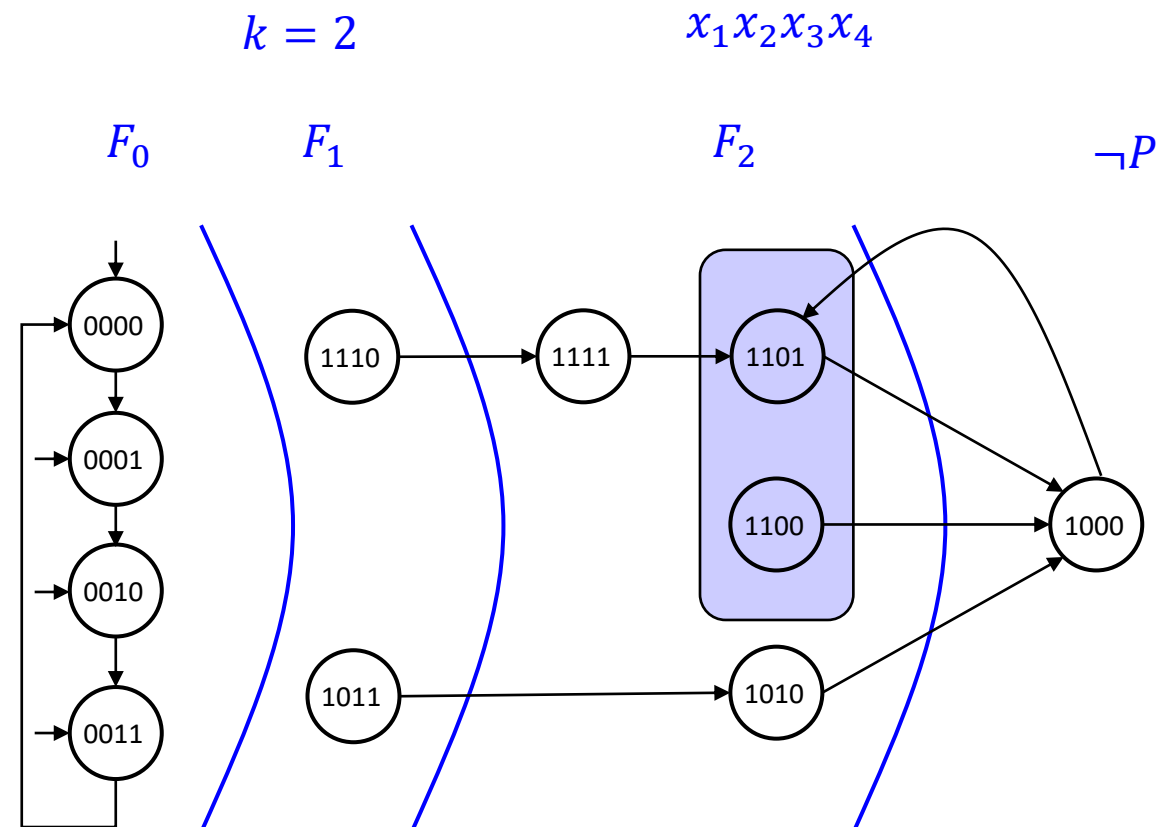
Drawback

- First version considers every state individually
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Generalize

$$1101 \text{ to } 110- = x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge \neg x_3!$$

Conditions



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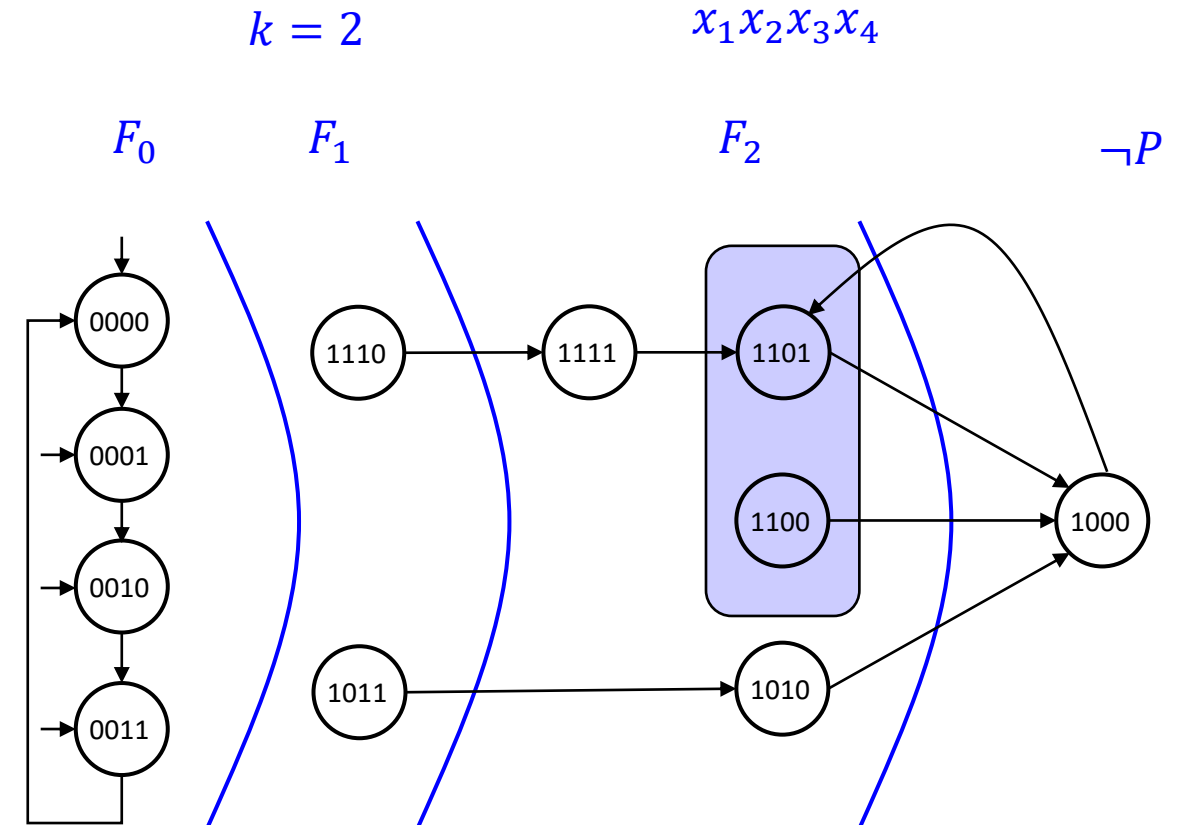
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Conditions

- $\text{UNSAT}(F_1 \wedge R \wedge x'_1 \wedge x'_2 \wedge \neg x'_3)$
- $\text{UNSAT}(S_0 \wedge x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge \neg x_3)$



PDR: Naive Generalization

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function PDR(Model  $M$ )
  if SAT( $S_0 \wedge \neg P$ ) or SAT( $S_0 \wedge R \wedge \neg P'$ ) then FAIL
   $F_0 := S_0 ; F_1 := P ; k := 1$ 
  while(true)
    while( $s := \text{SAT}(F_k \wedge R \wedge \neg P')$ )
      removeBad( $k, s$ )
     $k++ ; F_k := P$ 

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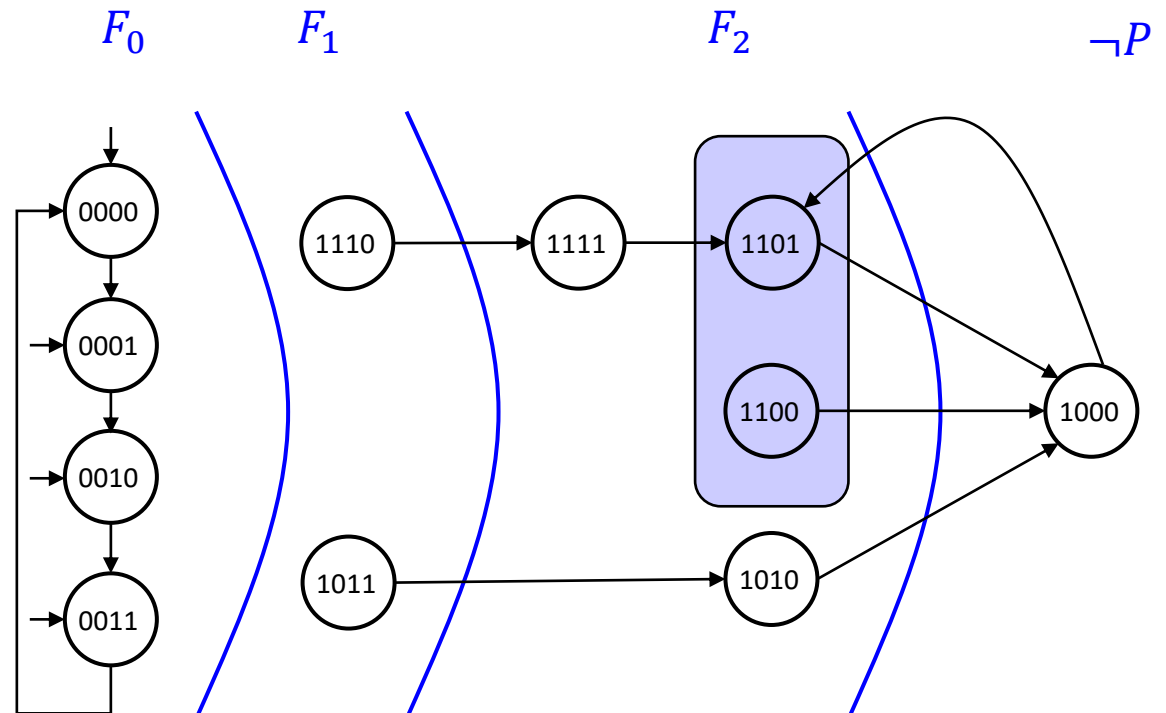
// post: $\neg \text{SAT}(F_i \wedge s)$

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function removeBad( $i \in N, \text{state } s$ )
  if SAT( $S_0 \wedge s$ ) then FAIL
  while( $t := \text{SAT}(F_{i-1} \wedge R \wedge s')$ )
    removeBad( $i - 1, t$ )
   $g := \text{generalizeNaive}(i, s)$ 
   $\forall 0 < j \leq i : F_j := F_j \wedge \neg g$ 
  
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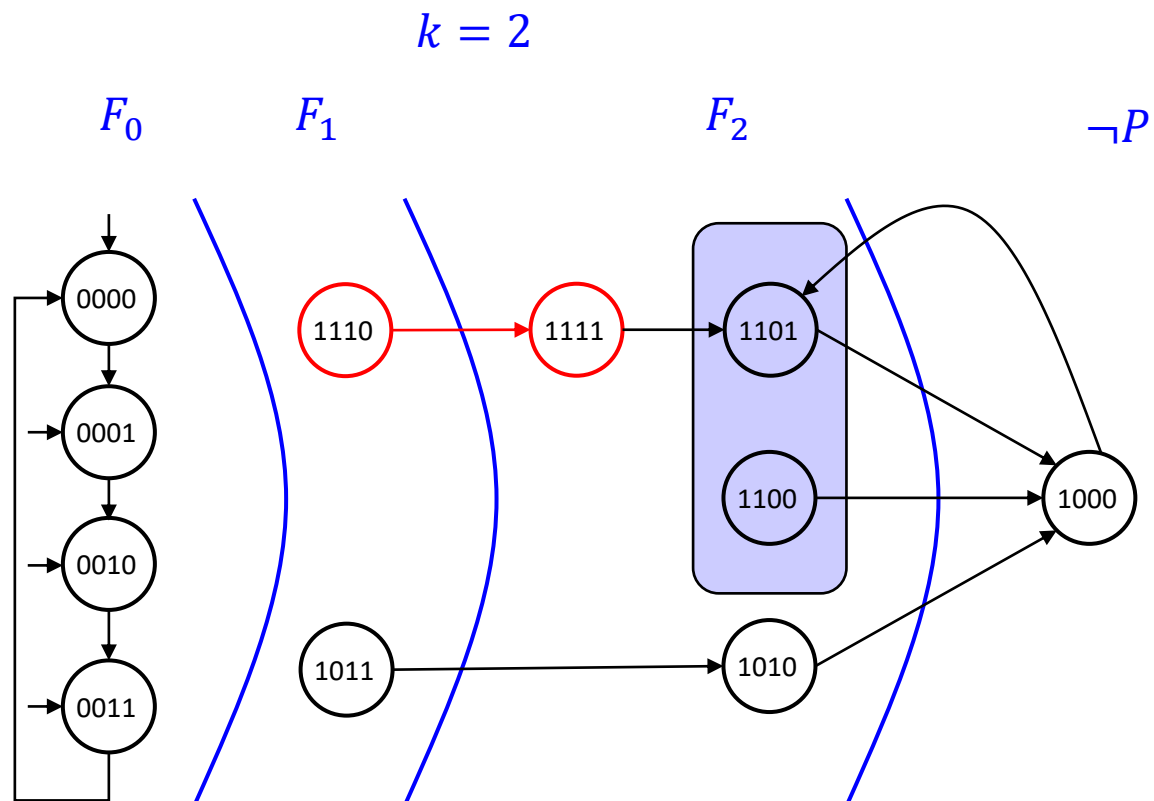
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function generalizeNaive( $i, \text{state } s$ )
  return a shortest cube  $c$  such that
    -  $c \leftarrow s$ 
    -  $\neg \text{SAT}(F_{i-1} \wedge R \wedge c')$ 
    -  $\neg \text{SAT}(S_0 \wedge c)$ 
  
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Generalize Further?

- We can generalize to 110-
- Can we generalize to 11--?
 - NO: for $c = x_1 \wedge x_2$, we have $\text{SAT}(F_1 \wedge R \wedge c')$
- Transition $1110 \rightarrow 1111$ is the problem



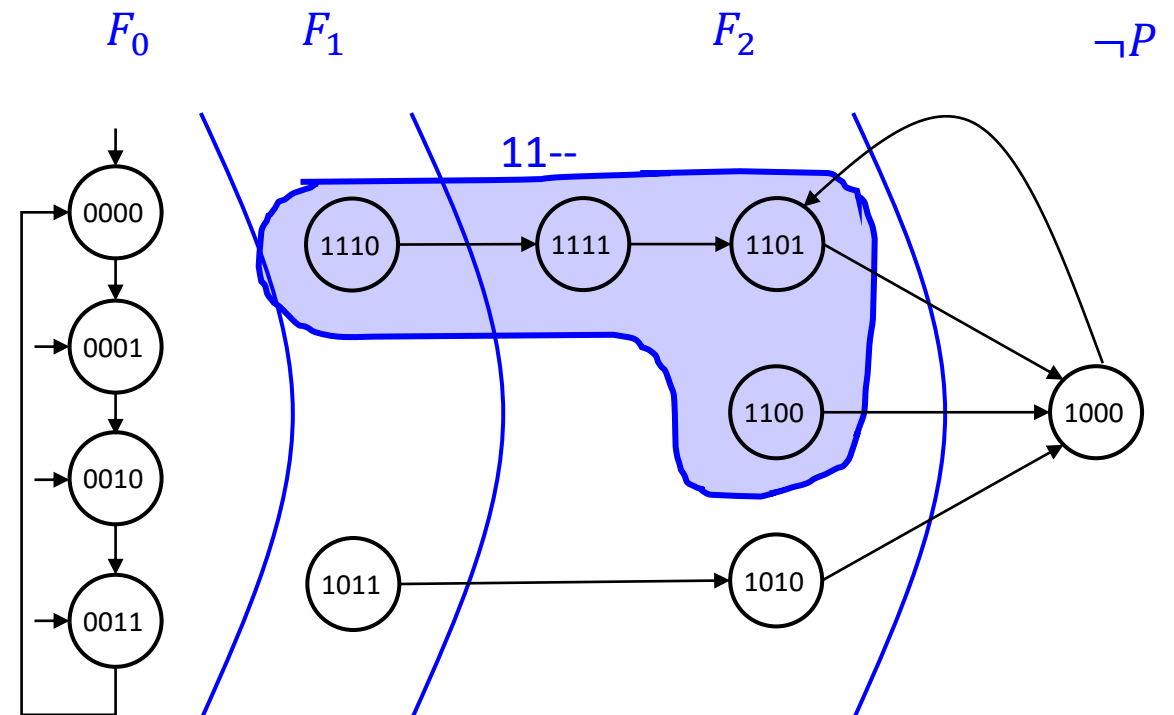
Relative Inductiveness

shortest cube c such that

- $c \leftarrow S$
- $\neg \text{SAT}(\neg c \wedge F_1 \wedge R \wedge c')$
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$\neg c$ is relative inductive wrt F_1

Why?



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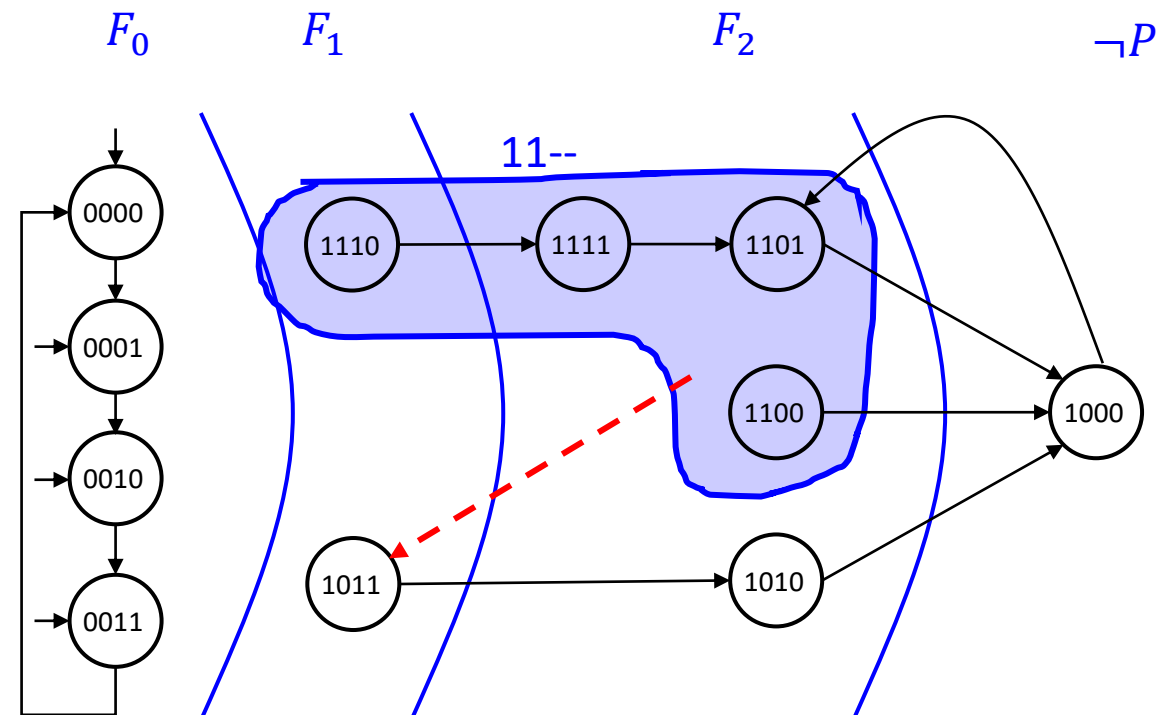
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Why?

Because we need to maintain

$$I4: F_i \wedge R \rightarrow F'_{i+1}$$



PDR: Relative Inductiveness

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  while(true)
    while( $s := \text{SAT}(F_k \wedge R \wedge \neg P')$ )
      removeBad( $k, s$ )
     $k++ ; F_k := P$ 

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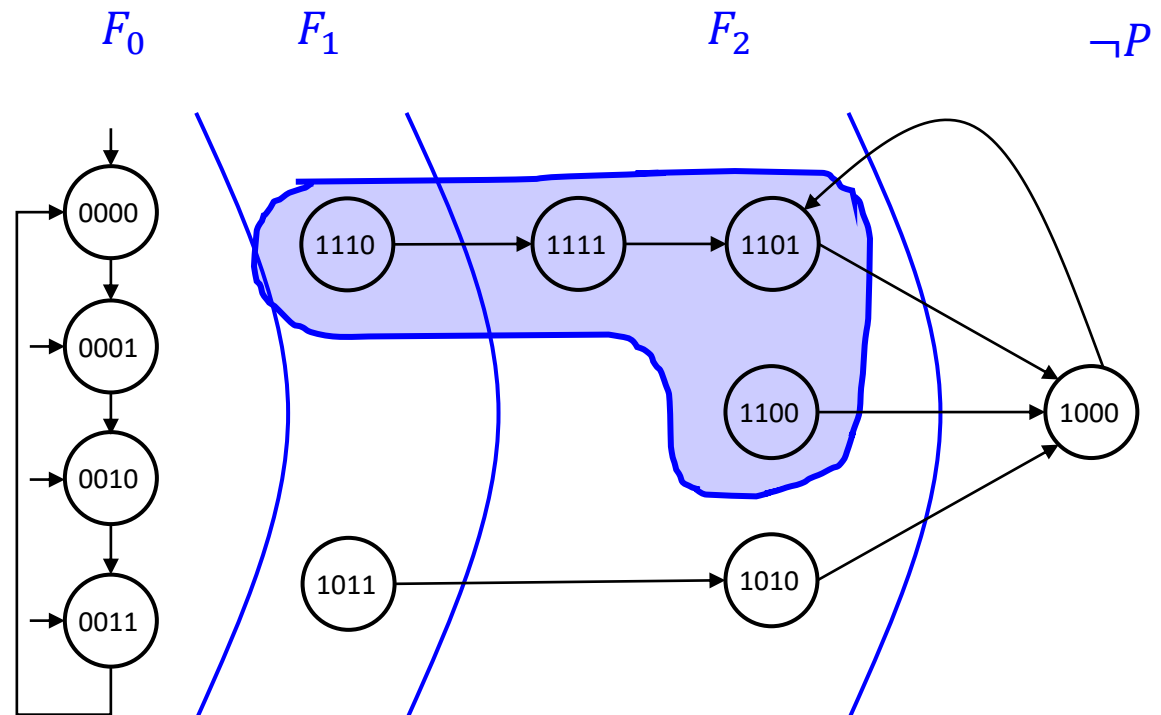
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    -  $c \leftarrow s$ 
    -  $\neg \text{SAT}(\neg c \wedge F_{i-1} \wedge R \wedge c')$ 
    -  $\neg \text{SAT}(S_0 \wedge c)$ 
  
```



Generalization

function generalize(i , state s)

$c := s$

while c changes

let l_1, \dots, l_n be the literals of c

for $i := 1$ **to** n

$c' = c$ with l_i removed

if relInd(c') **then** $c = c'$

return c

function relInd(cube c)

return $\neg\text{SAT}(\neg c \wedge F_{i-1} \wedge R \wedge c)$
 $\wedge \neg\text{SAT}(S_0 \wedge c)$

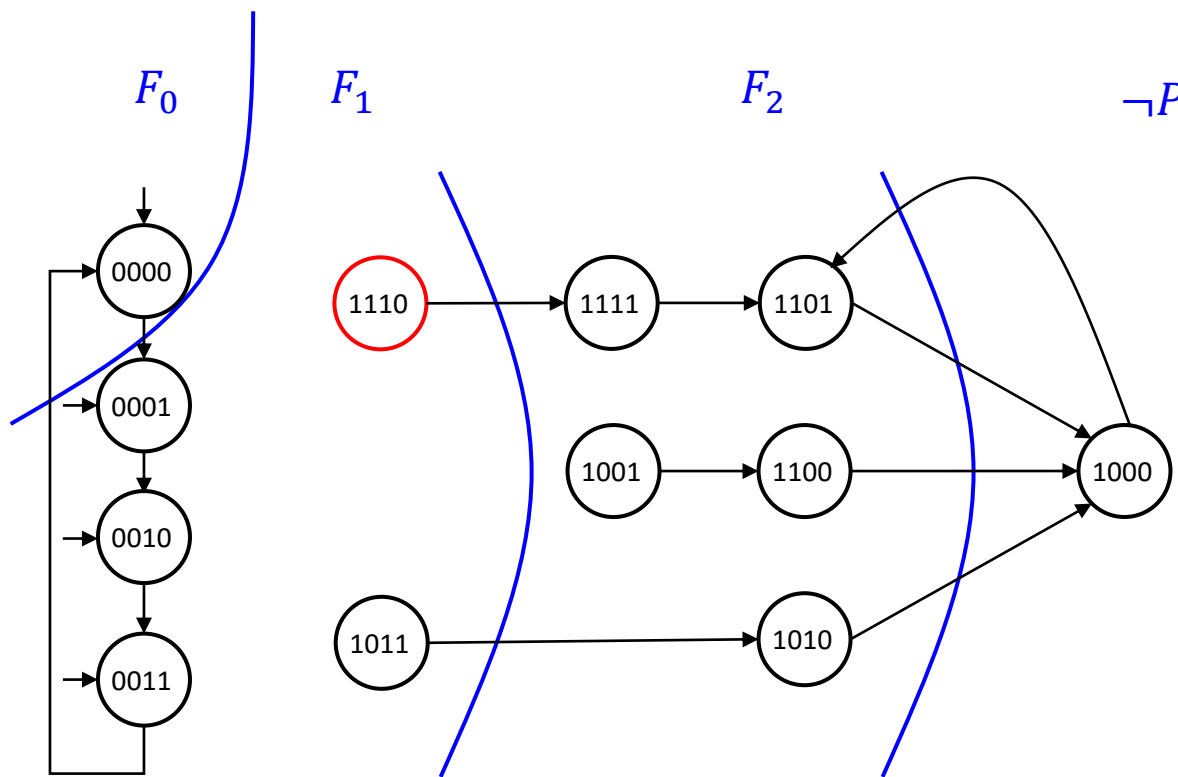
Propagate Clauses

Suppose you are removing 1110 from F_1

You can generalize 1110 to 1---

$$F_1 := F_1 \wedge \neg x_1$$

Can we do the same for F_2 ?



Propagate Clauses

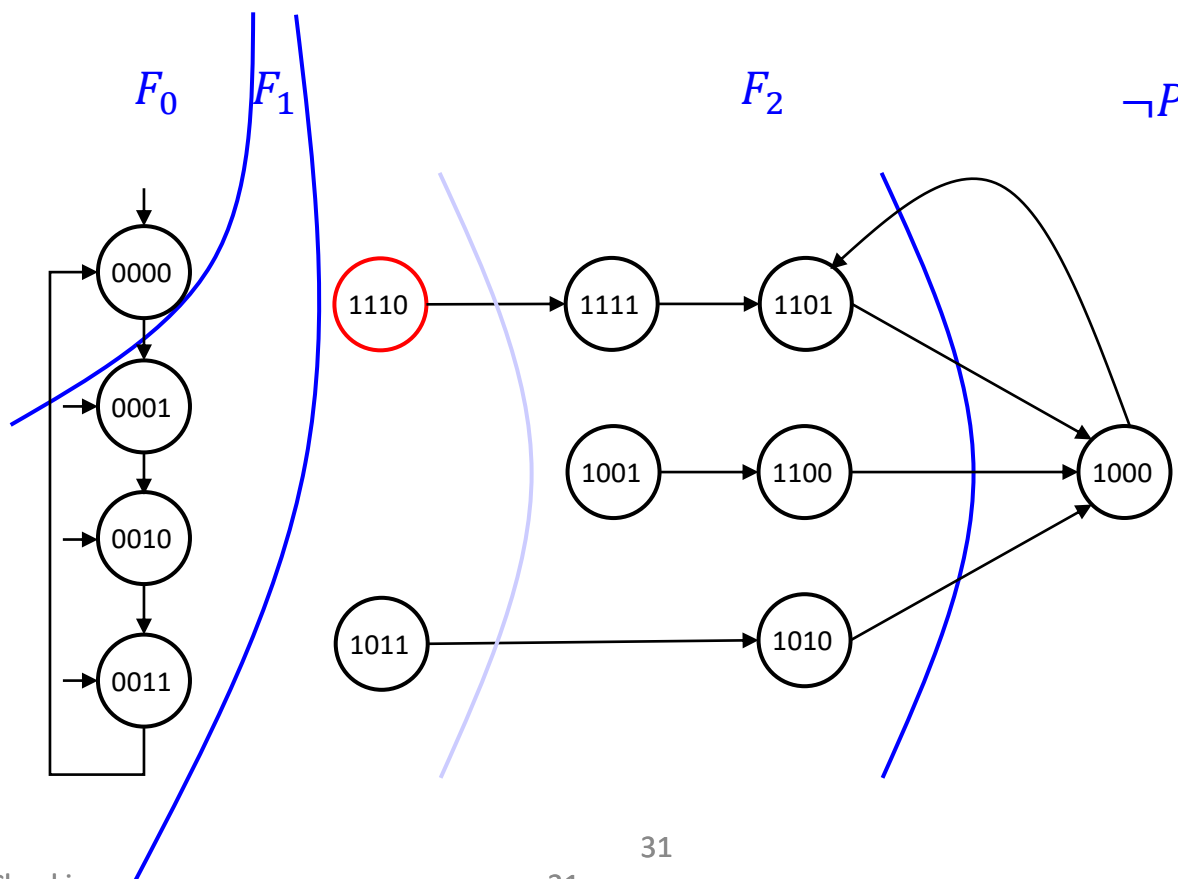
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$$F_1 := F_1 \wedge \neg x_1$$

$F_2 \wedge x_1 \notin \text{img}(F_1)$, so we can add $\neg x_1$ to F_2

$\text{UNSAT}(F_1 \wedge R \wedge F_2' \wedge x'_1)$



PDR, Final: Propagate Clauses

```
function PDR(Model  $M$ )  
  if SAT( $S_0 \wedge \neg P$ ) or SAT( $S_0 \wedge R \wedge \neg P'$ ) then FAIL  
   $F_0 := S_0; F_1 := P; k := 1;$   
  while(true)  
    while( $s := \text{SAT}(F_k \wedge R \wedge \neg P')$ )  
      removeBad( $k, s$ )  
     $k++; F_k := P$   
    propagateClauses( $k$ )  
    if  $\exists 0 \leq i < k - 1: F_i = F_{i+1}$  then SUCCEED
```

// post: $\neg \text{SAT}(F_i \wedge s)$

```
function removeBad( $i \in N, \text{state } s$ )  
  if SAT( $S_0 \wedge s$ ) then FAIL  
  while( $t := \text{SAT}(F_{i-1} \wedge R \wedge s')$ )  
    removeBad( $i - 1, t$ )  
   $g := \text{generalize}(i, s)$   
   $\forall 0 < j \leq i: F_j := F_j \wedge \neg g$ 
```

```
function generalize( $i, \text{state } s$ )  
  return a shortest cube  $c$  such that  
  -  $c \leftarrow s$   
  -  $\neg c$  inductive relative to  $F_{i-1}$ 
```

```
function propagateClauses( $k$ )  
  for  $i := 1$  to  $k - 1$   
    for every clause  $c \in F_i$   
      if  $\neg \text{SAT}(F_i \wedge R \wedge \neg c')$   
         $F_{i+1} := F_{i+1} \wedge c$ 
```

Further Ideas

- This version is simplified, doesn't find long counterexamples quickly
- Equivalence of frames = syntactic check
 - Use implication and subsumption to simplify clauses

Performance

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1. AVR 11 variants of IC3+[abstraction], 2x BMC, 3x k-induction
2. AVY interpolation + PDR
3. nuXmv “portfolio”, including IC3
4. Pono: protfolio, including BMC, k-induction, interpolation, IC3

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