

# Bounded Model Checking (BMC)

- Sacrifice completeness for quick bug-finding
  - Unroll the transition system
    - Each variable  $v \in V$  gets a new symbol for each time-step, e.g.  $v_k$  is  $v$  at time  $k$
    - Space-Time duality: unrolls temporal behavior into space
  - For increasing values of  $k$ , check:
    - $I(s_0) \wedge \bigwedge_{i=1}^k T(s_{i-1}, s_i) \wedge \neg P(s_k)$
  - If it is ever SAT, return FALSE
    - Can construct a counter-example trace from the solver model
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