

# ABAs

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- Problem
  - ➔ impracticality due to state space explosion
  - ➔ state space explosion due to reallocations
- Observation
  - ➔ verification under GC instead of SMR is unsound
  - ➔ discrepancy manifests as ABA

# State Space Reduction

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- Theorem 1:

**Verifying a data structure under garbage collection is sound,  
if data structure + SMR spec it is free from ABAs.**