

Choreographic Development of Message-Passing Applications

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In the next 90 minutes...

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Act I	Some definitions
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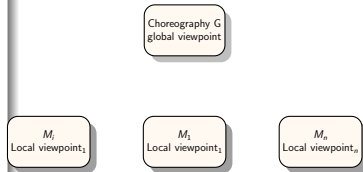
– Prologue –

[An intuitive account]

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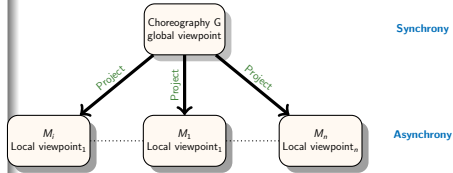
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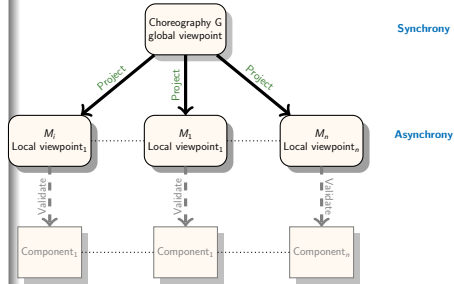
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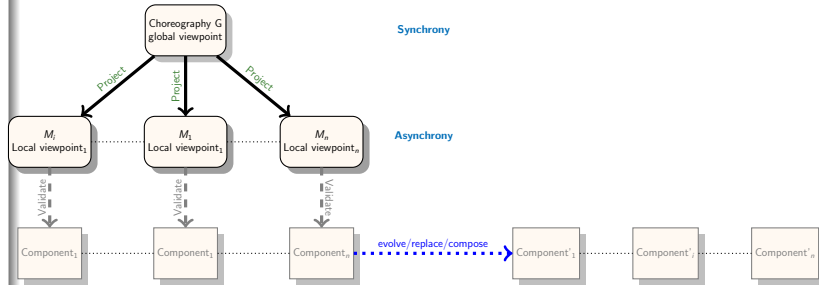
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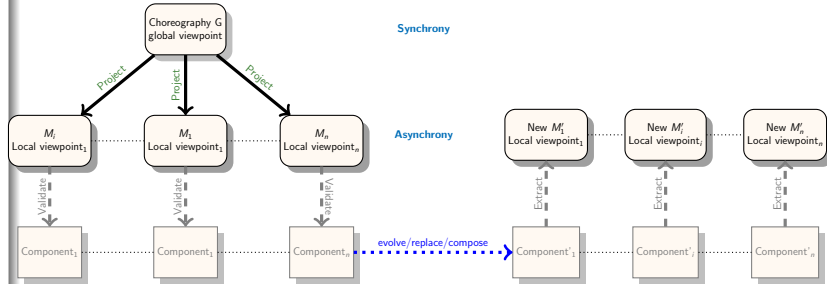
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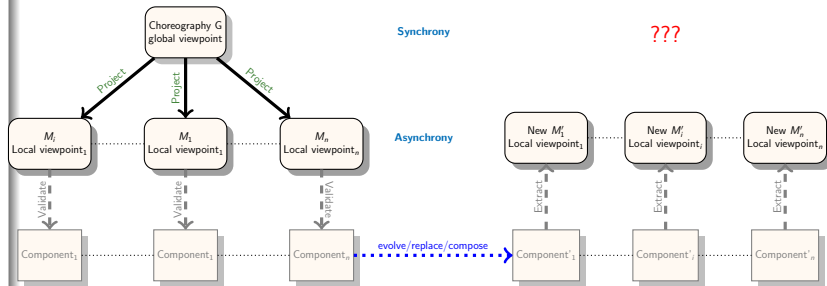
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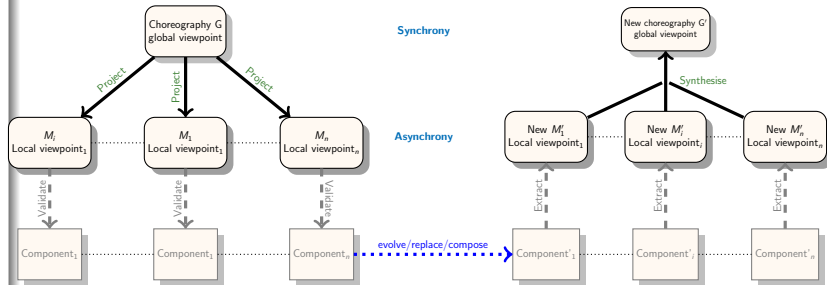
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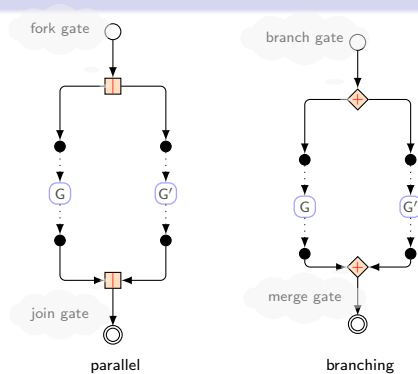
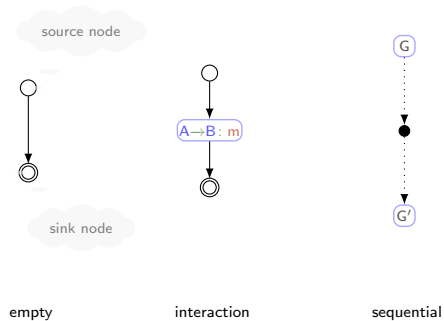


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g-choreographies [Tuosto and Guanciale, 2018]

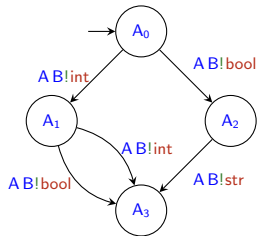


Pomset or (Event Structure^a)

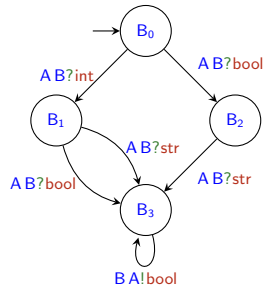
^aSee Ugo de'Liguoro's talk @ ICE 2020

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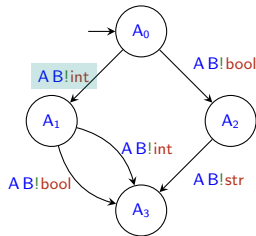
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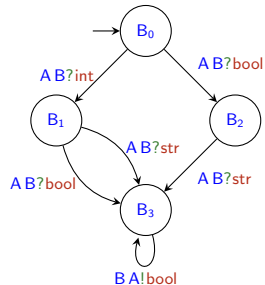
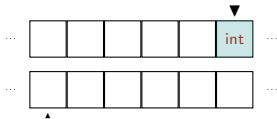
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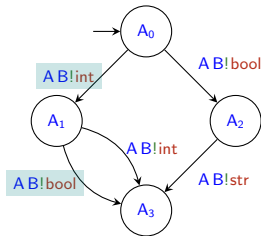
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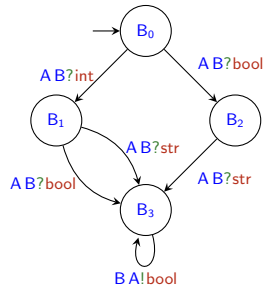
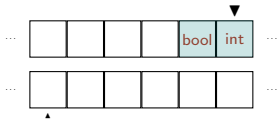
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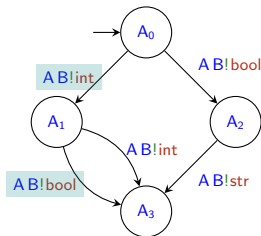
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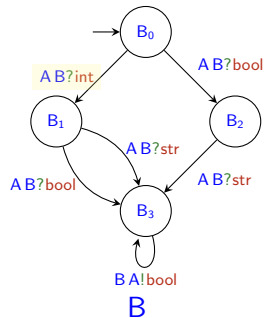
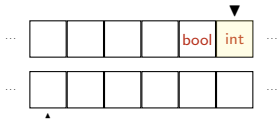
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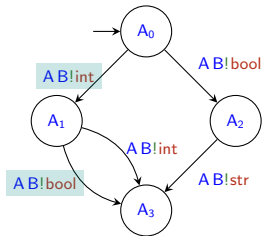
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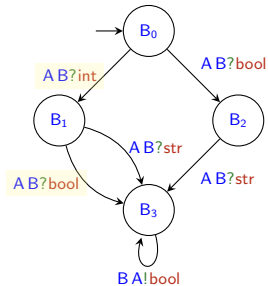
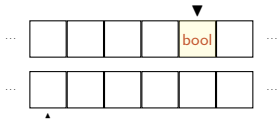
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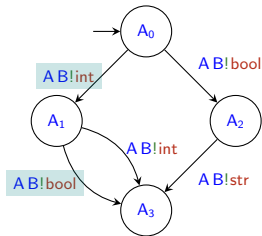
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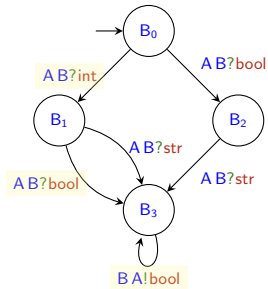
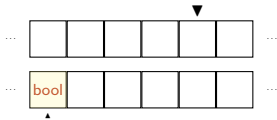
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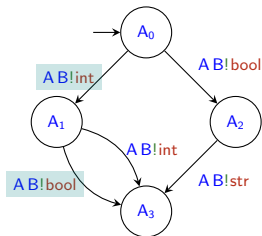
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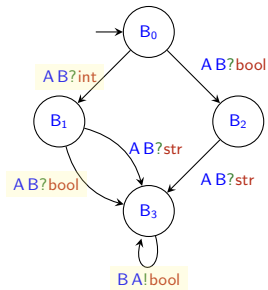
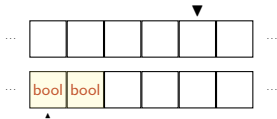
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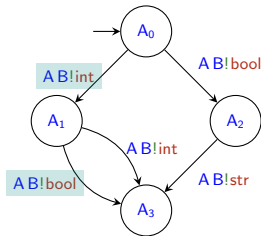
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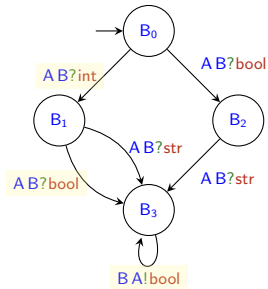
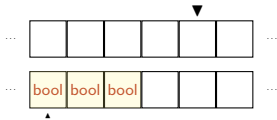
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Well-branchedness

When the above holds true for each choice, the choreography is **well-branched**. This enables **correctness-by-design**.

Class test

Figure out the graphical structure of the following terms and for each of them say which one is well-branched

- $G_1 = A \rightarrow B : \text{int} + A \rightarrow B : \text{str}$
- $G_2 = A \rightarrow B : \text{int} + 0$
- $G_3 = A \rightarrow B : \text{int} + A \rightarrow C : \text{str}$
- $G_4 = \left(\begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow C : \text{int}; A \rightarrow B : \text{bool} \\ + \\ A \rightarrow C : \text{str}; A \rightarrow C : \text{bool}; A \rightarrow B : \text{bool} \end{array} \right)$

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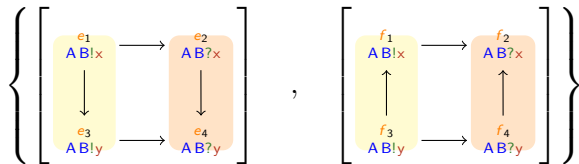
[Choreographies, more precisely]

Syntax of g-choreographies

G	::=	(o)	empty
		$A \rightarrow B : m$	interaction
		$G \mid G$	fork
		$\text{sel } \{G + \dots + G\}$	choice
		$G; G$	sequential
		$\text{repeat } G$	iteration

Partially-ordered multisets [Pratt, 1986]

Isomorphism class of labelled partially-ordered sets



- specify legit executions
- sets of alternative executions

Language of a pomset

- $e_1 e_2 e_3 e_4 \rightsquigarrow AB!x AB?x AB!y AB?y$
- $f_3 f_1 f_2 f_4 \rightsquigarrow AB!y AB!x AB?x AB!y$
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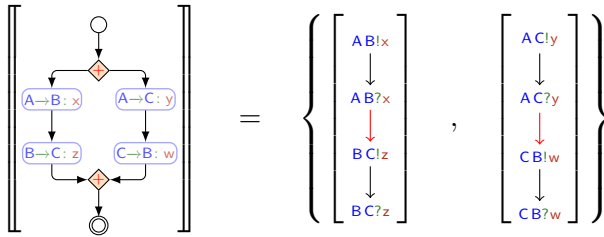
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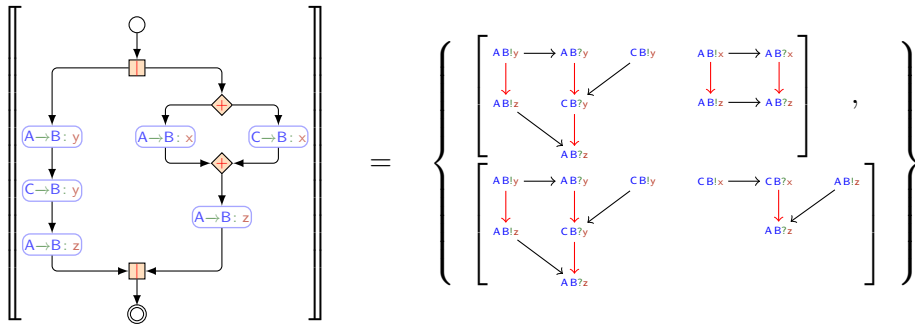
Some examples

Choice & Sequential



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Parallel & choice



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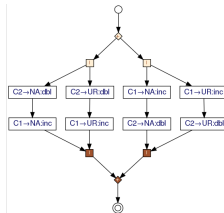
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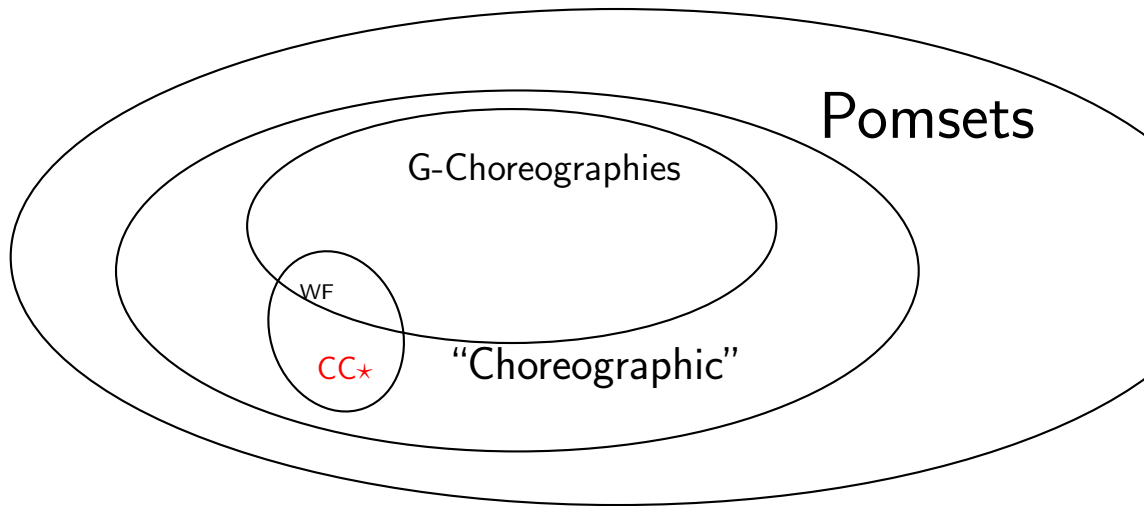
$AB?m \longrightarrow BC?n$

Communicating systems “start” with outputs!

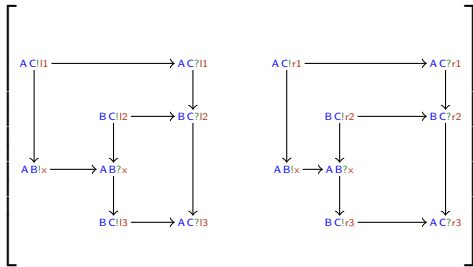
Non-trivial non-realisability [Alur et al., 2003]



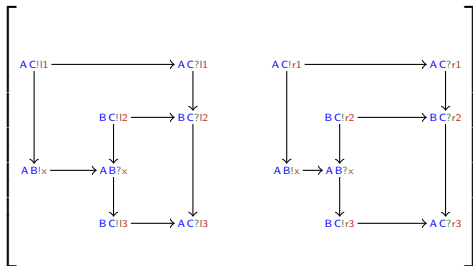
A taxonomy of global views



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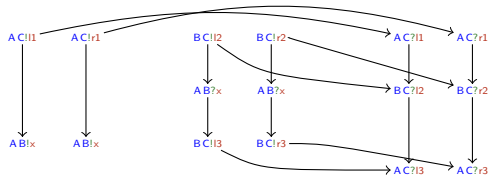
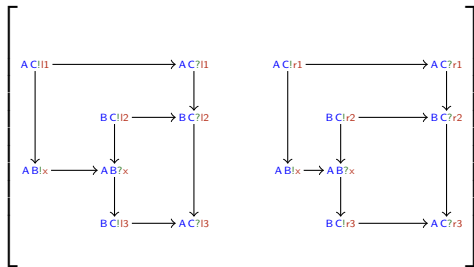
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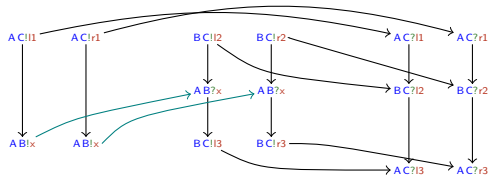
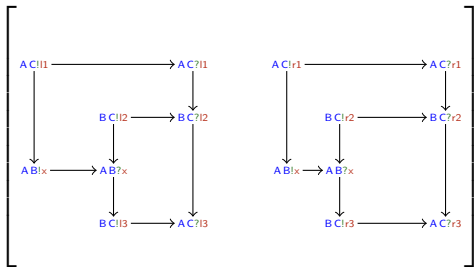
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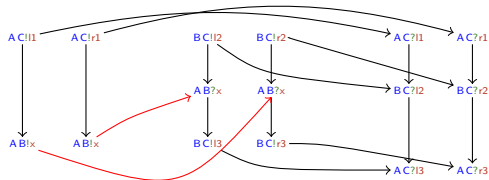
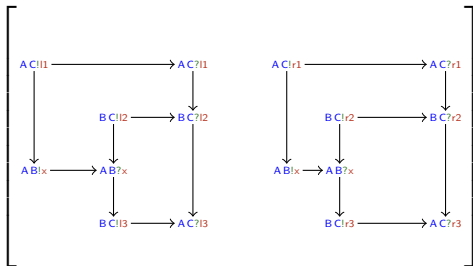
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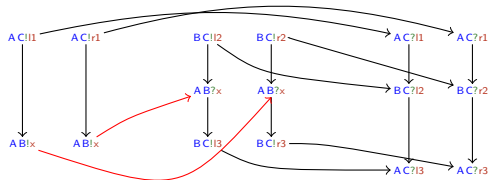
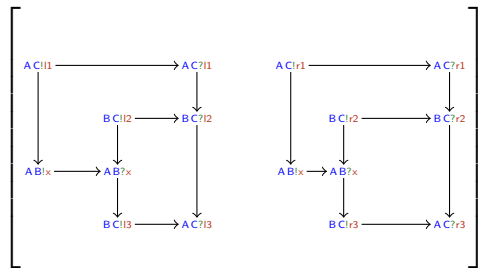
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less permissive

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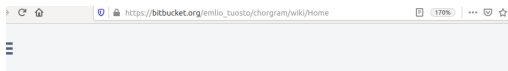
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– Act II –

[An exercise: prototype tool support]

The ChorGram prototype [Coto et al., , Guanciale and Tuosto, 2020, Guanciale, 2019, Lange et al., 2017]

Supporting well-formedness analysis



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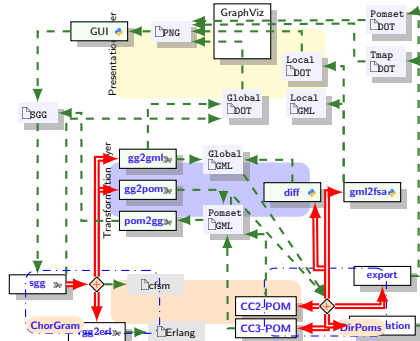
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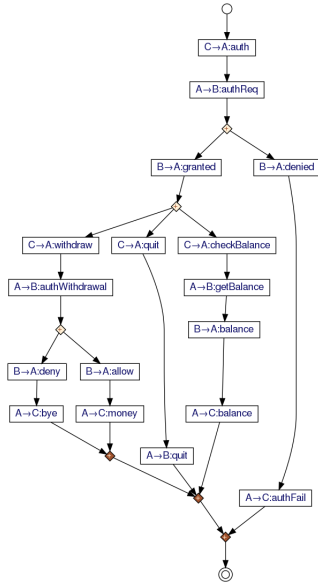
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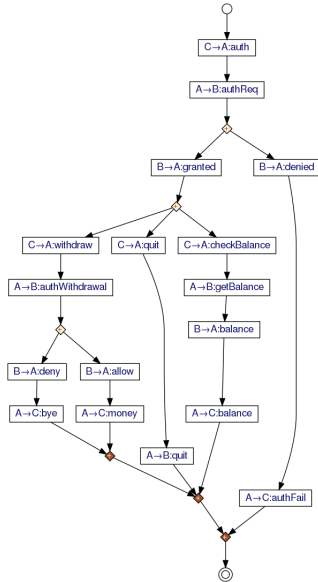
Modelling C, a fictional customer

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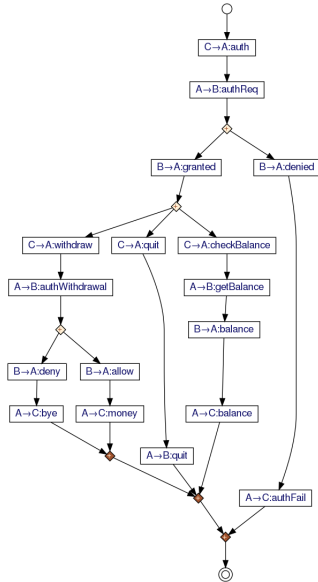


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– Epilogue –

[Work in progress]

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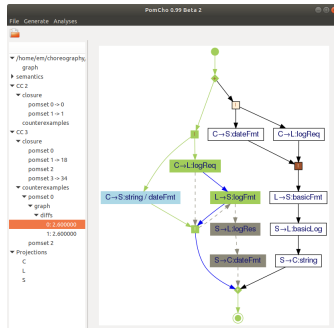
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- An experimental “debugging” mechanism



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Change open gate	0.10	Change close gate	0.10
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Practice

- Better integration of top-down & bottom-up
- Code generation / Code testing
- Keep working on **ChorGram**
 - existing features (e.g., “debugging”, pom2gg,...)
 - new features (e.g., test generation, modularity,...)
 - usability (the most boring yet important part)

Thank you

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