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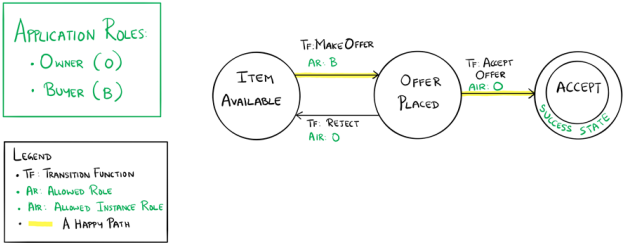
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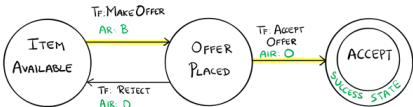
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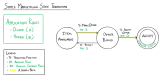
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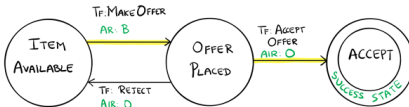
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but...

✗ what's the difference between roles and instances?

✗ can buyers be owners too?

✗ what's the scope of quantifications?

✗ when are transitions enabled?

✗ how does the state of the contract change?

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1. is the sketch giving semantics to roles and instances?
2. not forbidden...however what if we wanted to separate the roles?
3. from [7]: "The transitions between the **Item Available** and the **Offer Placed** states can continue until the owner is satisfied with the offer made." so, after a rejection, the new offer must be from the original buyer or a new one?
4. ok
5. should the price of the item remain unchanged when the owner rejects offers?

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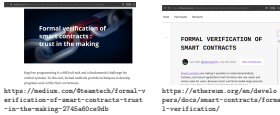
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Expressions are standard but for state variables occurring in rhs e must have the $\text{old } _$ qualifier; this concept will be used in the definition of (progress for) well-formedness

We adapt the mechanism based on the old keyword from the Eiffel language [5] which, as explained in [4] is necessary to render assignments into logical formulae since e.g., $x = x + 1 \iff \text{False}$.

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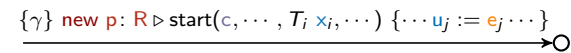
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- predicates formal parameters of its transition and over state variables, provided that it not a start transition
- has to be satisfied for the invocation to succeed: an invocation that makes the guard false is rejected

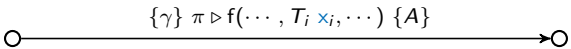
- $\text{new } p: R$ specifies that p must be a fresh participant with role R
- $\text{any } p: R$ qualifies p as an existing participant with role R
- p refers to a participant in the scope of a binder
- invocations from non-suitable callers are rejected

the variables occurring in the right-hand side of assignments in A are either state variables or parameters of the invocation

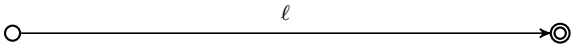
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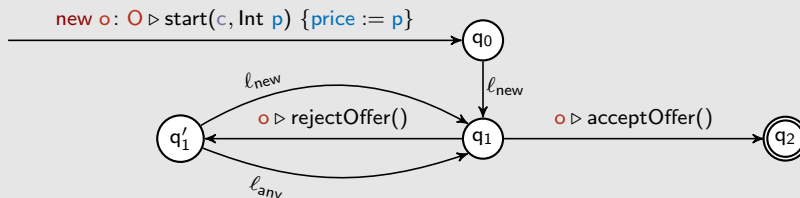
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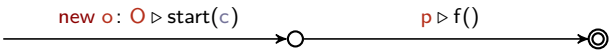
Exercise: modelling

Let $\ell_{\text{new}} = \{\text{newOffer} > 0\}$ **new** **b**: **B** \triangleright makeOffer(Int **newOffer**) {offer := **newOffer**}
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A new participant **o** acts as owner **O** for a coordinator **c** assigning an initial value **p** to the state variable **price** in the initial state q_0 where the only enabled function is `makeOffer(Int offer)`. The first buyer **b** invoking this function with an actual parameter **newOffer**, satisfying the guard **newOffer** > 0, moves the protocol to state q_1 while recording the new offer in the coordinator state with the assignment **offer** := **newOffer**. Contextually, the state of the coordinator records that the caller **b** plays role **B**.

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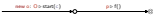


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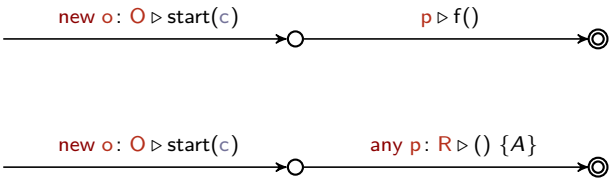
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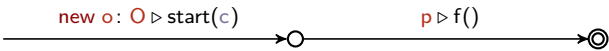
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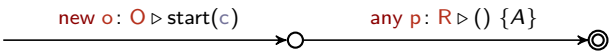
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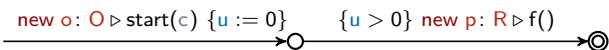
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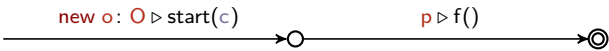


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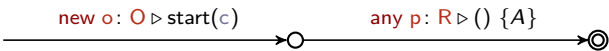
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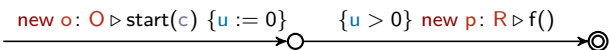
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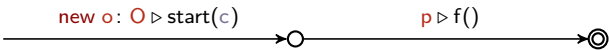


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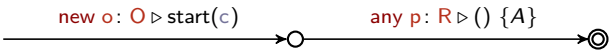
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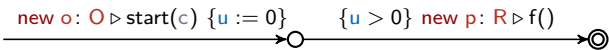
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p is bound in $\bigcirc \xrightarrow{\{\gamma\} \pi \triangleright f(\dots, T_i \textcolor{blue}{x}_i, \dots) \{A\}} \bigcirc$ if, for some role R ,
 $\pi = \text{new } p: R$ or $\pi = \text{any } p: R$ or there is i s.t. $\textcolor{blue}{x}_i = p$ and $T_i = R$

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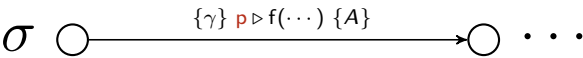
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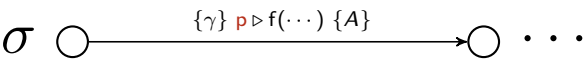
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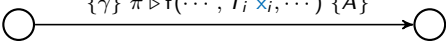
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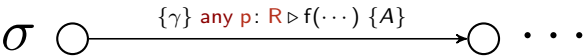
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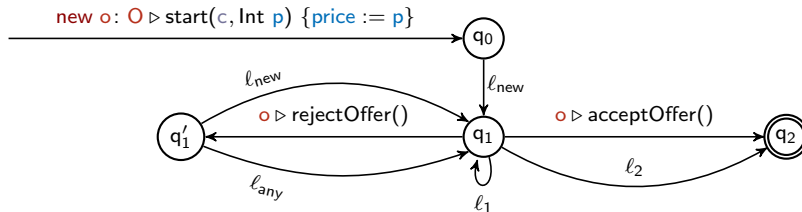
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Exercise: Role emptiness

Is the DAFSM below empty-role free?



where

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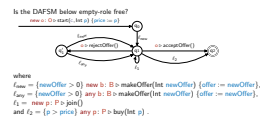
and $l_2 = \{p > \text{price}\}$ any p: P ▷ buy(Int p) .

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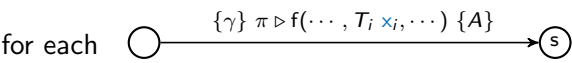


No, because of the paths excluding the self-loop on the role P.

We can fix the problem by adding a parameter of type P to the start transition.

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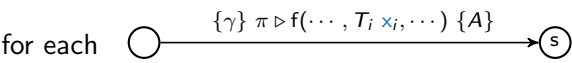
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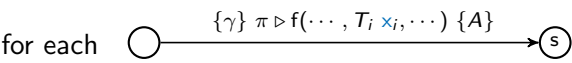
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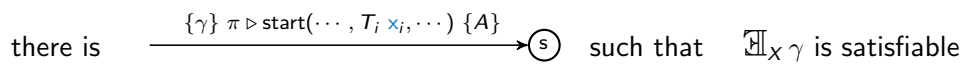
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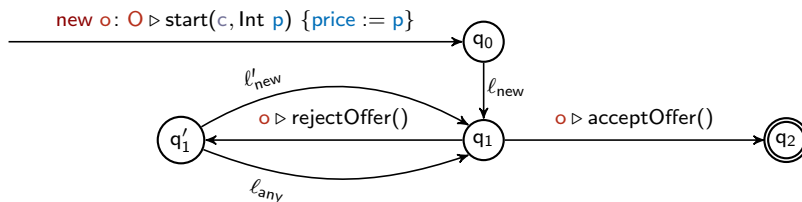
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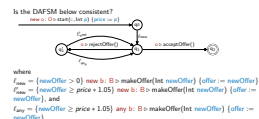
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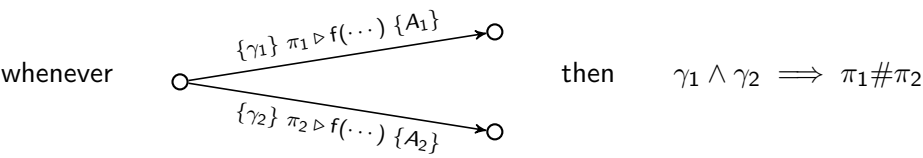
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
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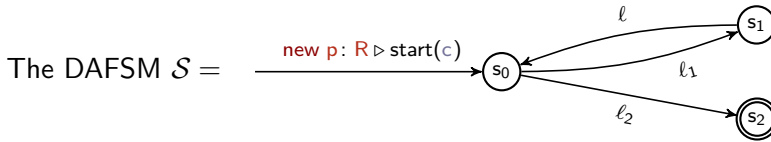
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whenever  then $\gamma_1 \wedge \gamma_2 \implies \pi_1 \# \pi_2$

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2. $\ell_1 = \ell_2 = \text{new } p: R \triangleright f(\dots, T_i x_i, \dots)$ make \mathcal{S} deterministic because the next state is unambiguously determined by the caller which is fresh on both transitions
3. $\ell_1 = \{x \leq 0\} \text{ } p \triangleright f(\text{Int } x)$ and $\ell_2 = \{x \geq -1\} \text{ } p \triangleright f(\text{Int } x)$ make \mathcal{S} non-deterministic because the guards of ℓ_1 and of ℓ_2 are not disjoint therefore the next state is not determined by the caller

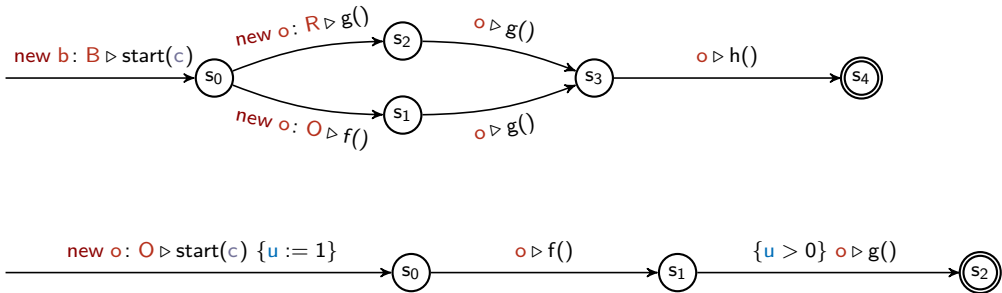
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A DAFSM is well-formed when it is

- closed,
- empty-role free,
- consistent, and
- deterministic

Exercise: Well-formedness

Which of the following DAFSM is well-formed?



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yes: o is defined on paths it occurs on and the DAFSM is deterministic.

no: the transition from s_0 violates consistency since True does not imply $u > 0$ hinting that the protocol could get stuck in state s_1 . However, this never happens because u is initially set to 1 and never changed, hence the transition from s_1 would be enabled when the protocol lands in s_1 .

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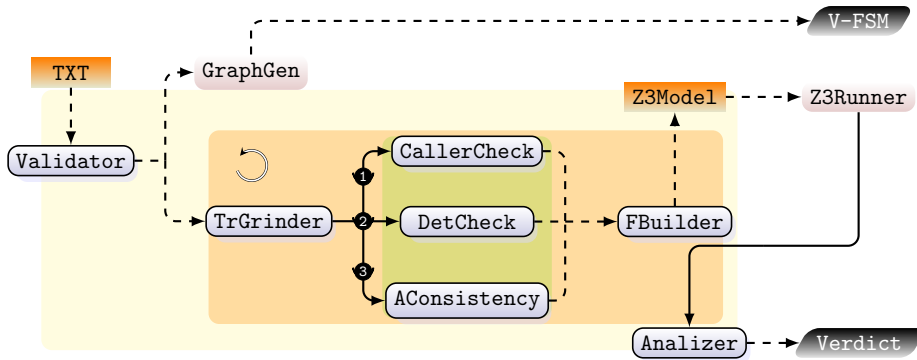
[A tool]

Checking well-formedness by hand is laborious and cumbersome (and boring)

So we implemented **TRAC**, which

- ✓ **features** a DSL to specify DAFSMs
- ✓ **verifies** well-formedness (relying on the SMT solver Z3)
- ✓ **it's efficient enough**
- ✗ but **cannot handle** roles and inter-contract interactions

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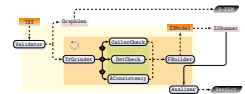


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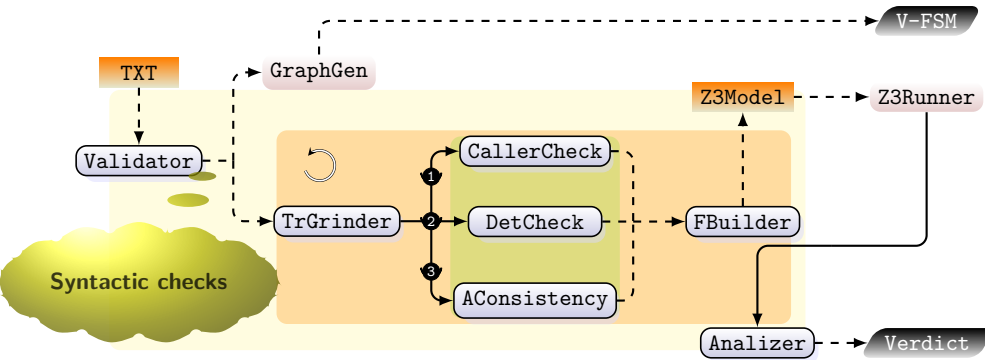
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the architecture of **TRAC** is compartmentalised into two principal modules:
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TRAC's core (orange box). The latter module implements well-formedness check (green box).
Solid arrows represent calls between components while dashed arrows data IO.

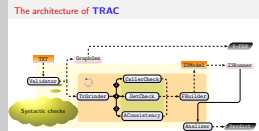
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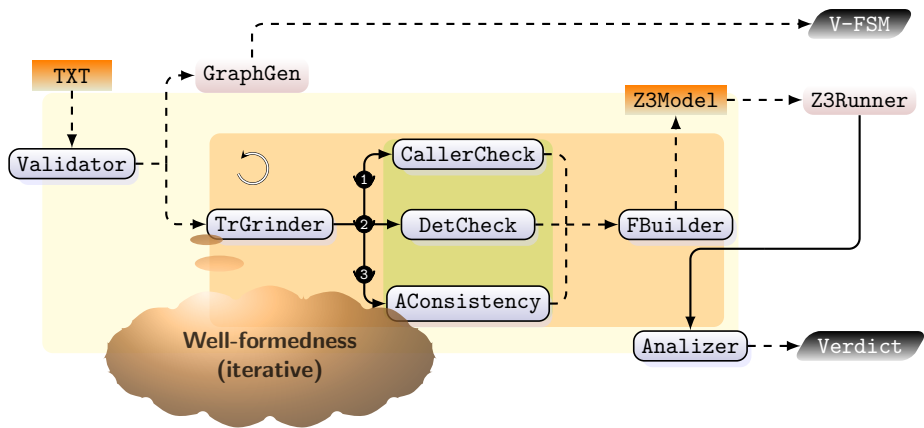
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basic syntactic checks on a DSL representation of DAFSMs and transforming the input in a format that simplifies the analysis of the following phases:

- passed to GraphGen for visual representation of DAFSMs (V-FSM output)
- passed to the TrGrinder component (orange box) for well-formedness checking.

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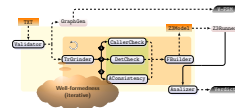


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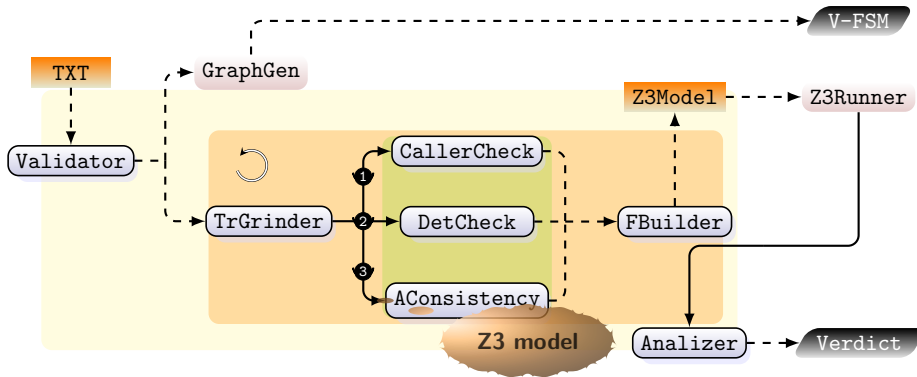
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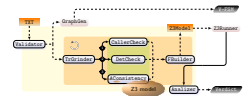
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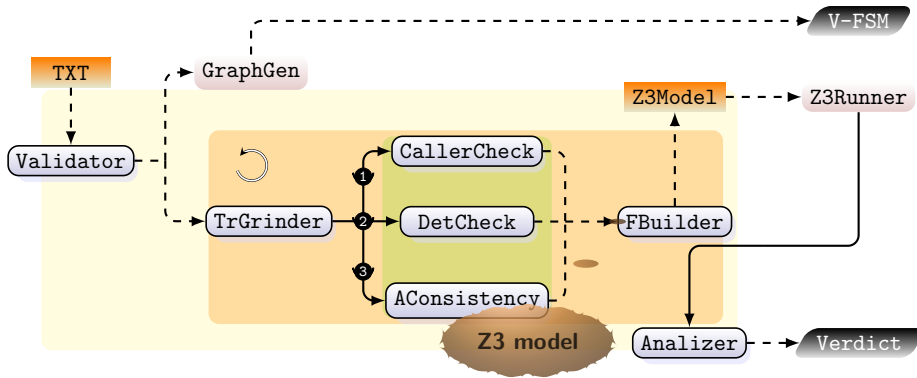
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AConsistency (arrow ❸) to generate a Z3 formula which holds if, and only if, the transtion is consistent.

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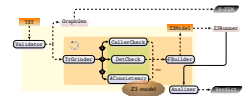
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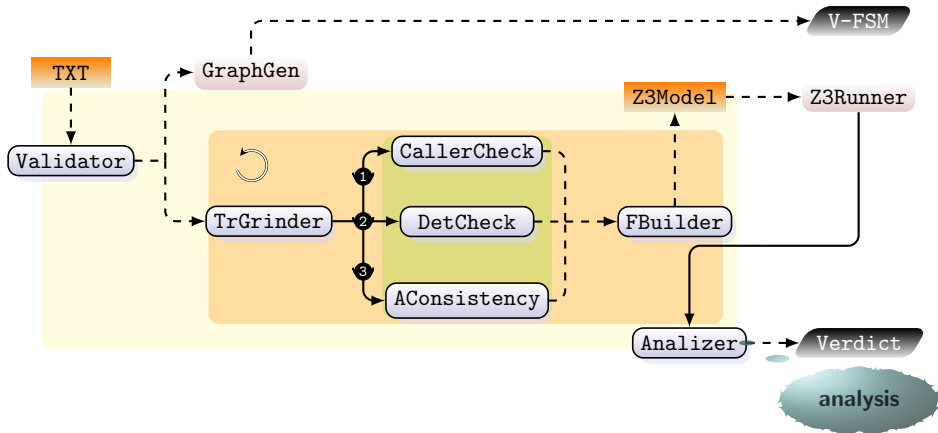
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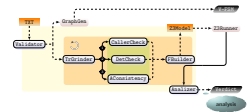


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Finally, the **Analyzer** component that diagnoses the output of Z3 and produces a **Verdict** which reports (if any) the violations of well-formedness of the DAFSM in input.

Detailed instructions at <https://github.com/loctet/TRAC>

Dependencies: Java RE (to render DAFSM graphically) & Python 3.6 or later

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- # initial guard (this clause can be omitted)

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└ Concrete syntax (I)

recall that e and γ are SMT-Lib2 syntax for expressions and boolean expressions respectively

Concrete syntax (I)

$\langle pars \rangle ::= \varepsilon \mid \langle dcl \rangle (, \langle dcl \rangle)^*$

$\langle dcl \rangle ::= \langle str \rangle \langle str \rangle$

```
roles  $\langle str \rangle^+$ 
dafsm  $\langle str \rangle (\langle pars \rangle)$  by  $\langle dcl \rangle$  {
  .
  .
  .
   $\langle dcl \rangle = e$  ;
  .
  .
  if  $\gamma$ 
}
```

set the roles

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Concrete syntax (I)

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$$\langle lbl \rangle ::= \{ \gamma \} \pi > \langle str \rangle (\langle pars \rangle) \{ \langle asgs \rangle \}$$
$$\langle asgs \rangle ::= \varepsilon \mid \langle asg \rangle (; \langle asg \rangle)^*$$

roles $\langle str \rangle^+$
dafsm $\langle str \rangle (\langle pars \rangle)$ by $\langle dcl \rangle \{$

\vdots
 $\langle dcl \rangle = e ;$
 \vdots
if γ
 $\}$

\vdots
 $\langle str \rangle \langle lbl \rangle \langle str \rangle ;$
 \vdots

set the roles
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the initial state defaults to the source state of the first transition

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└ Exercise: TRAC usage (I)

roles Owner Counterparty

dafsm basicProvenance(Owner o) by cp : Counterparty {}

q0 cp > TransferResponsibility(Counterparty cp) {} q1

q1 any cp: Counterparty > TransferResponsibility(Counterparty cp) {} q1

q1 o > Complete() {} q2+

Exercise: TRAC usage (I)

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Concrete syntax (II)

The syntax of expressions (and hence of guards) follows the SMT-lib standard:

```
<spec_constant> ::= <numeral> | <decimal> | <hexadecimal> | <binary> | <string>
<s_expr> ::= <spec_constant> | <symbol> | <reserved> | <keyword>
           | ( <s_expr>* )
<qual_identifier> ::= <identifier> | ( as <identifier> <sort> )
<var_binding> ::= ( <symbol> <term> )
<sorted_var> ::= ( <symbol> <sort> )
<pattern> ::= <symbol> | ( <symbol> <symbol>+ )
<match_case> ::= ( <pattern> <term> )
<term> ::= <spec_constant>
        | <qual_identifier>
        | ( <qual_identifier> <term>+ )
        | ( let ( <var_binding>+ ) <term> )
        | ( lambda ( <sorted_var>+ ) <term> )
        | ( forall ( <sorted_var>+ ) <term> )
        | ( exists ( <sorted_var>+ ) <term> )
        | ( match <term> ( <match_case>+ ) )
        | ( ! <term> <attribute>+ )
```

(borrowed from [2])

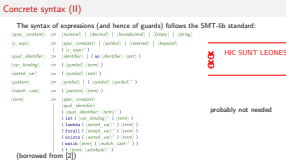


probably not needed

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└ Concrete syntax (II)



<https://smt-lib.org/papers/smt-lib-reference-v2.6-r2021-05-12.pdf>
<http://smtlib.github.io/jSMTLIB/SMTLIBTutorial.pdf>

“A <keyword> is a token of the form :<simple_symbol>. Elements of this category have a special use in the language. They are used as attribute names or option names (see later).
Examples

:date :j:= :a2 :56 :foo-bar :-j

Edit a `.trac` file for the DAFSM on slide 13.

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└ Exercise: **TRAC** syntax (II)

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– Act III –

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<https://github.com/blockchain-unica/rosetta-smart-contracts/tree/main/contracts/vesting>

– Epilogue –

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└ Work in progress

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