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DÉVELOPPEMENT DE SYSTÈMES CRITIQUES AVEC LA MÉTHODE EVENT-B

LA VALIDATION D'UN MODÈLE EVENT-B AVEC PROB

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- In some cases, the most complex **POs** are not proved automatically and *must be proved interactively*.



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After 80's

- Software is **concurrent** and reactive
- Properties are expressed in **Temporal Logic**
- Solving accurate properties like safety, liveness, fairness...
- Push-Button → **decidable** (e.g. Model Checking)

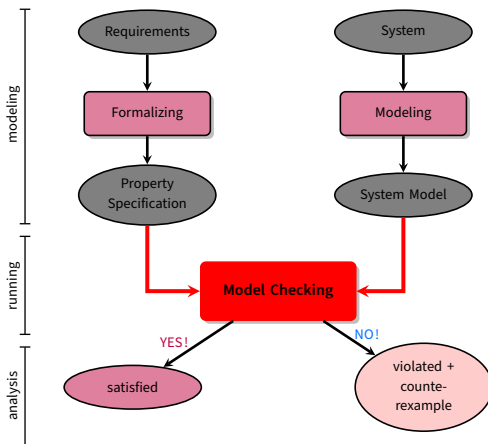


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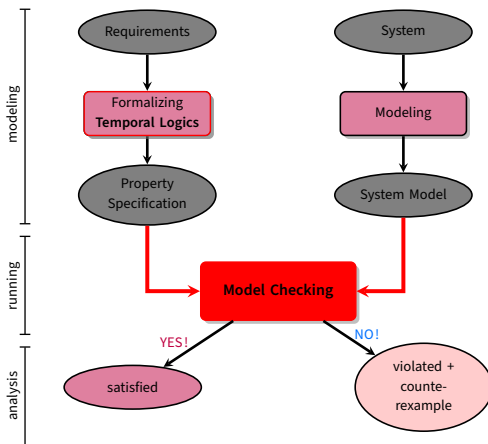
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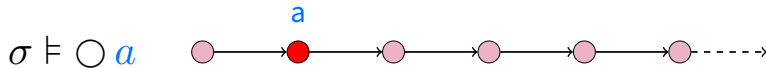
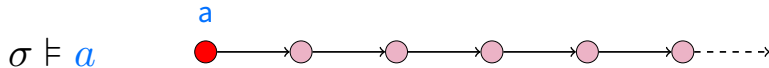
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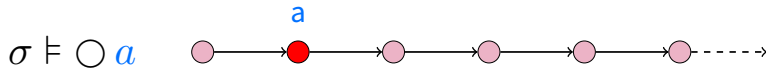
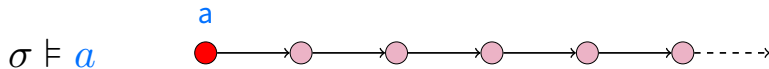


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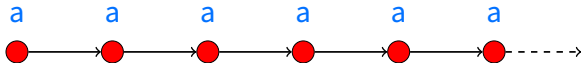


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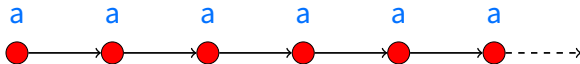
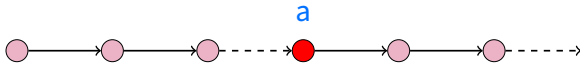
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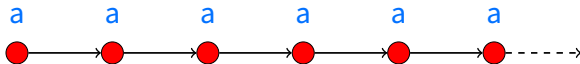
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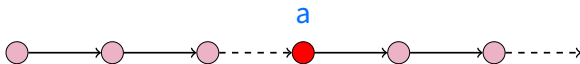
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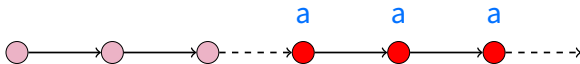
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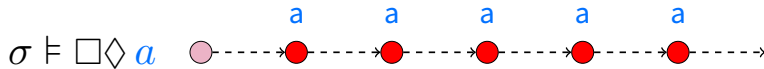
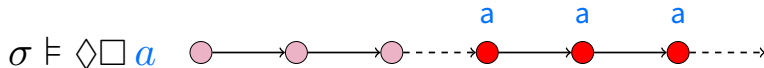
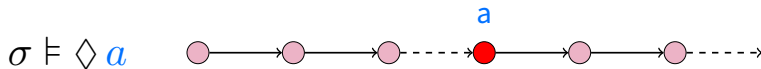
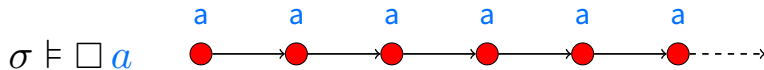


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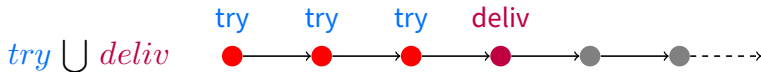
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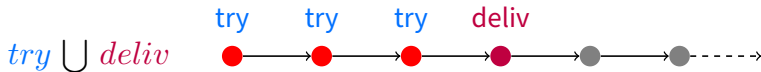
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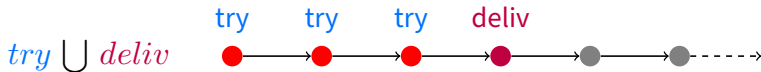


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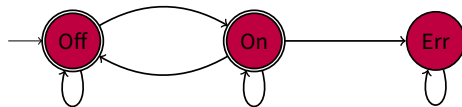
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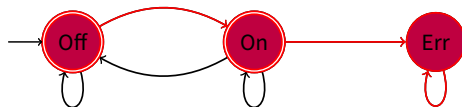
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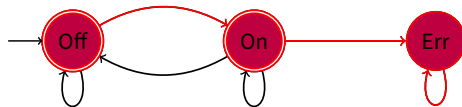
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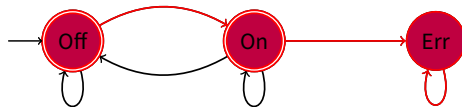
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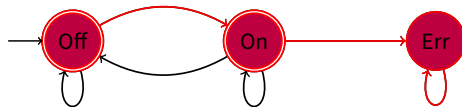
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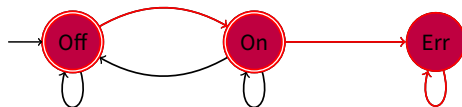
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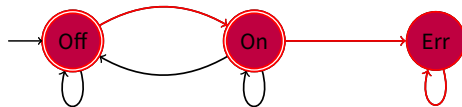
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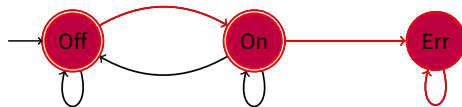
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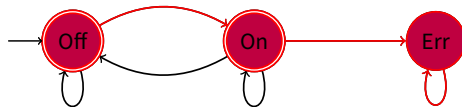
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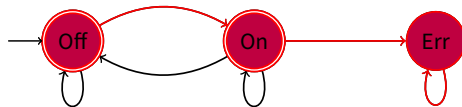
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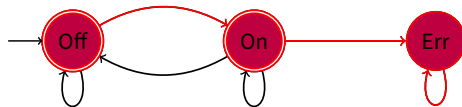
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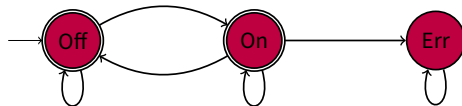
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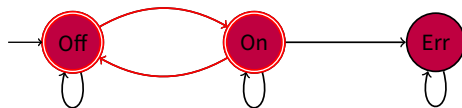
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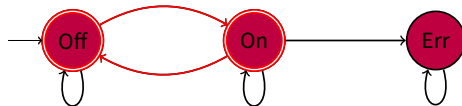
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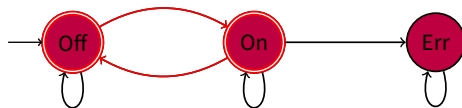
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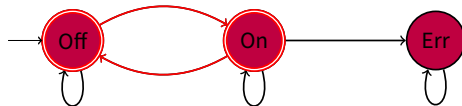
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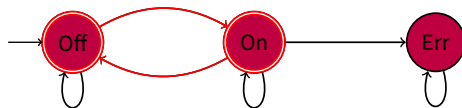


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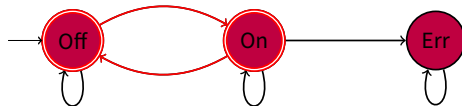


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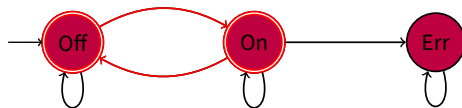


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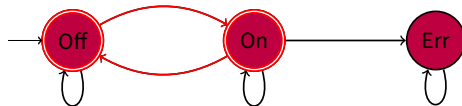
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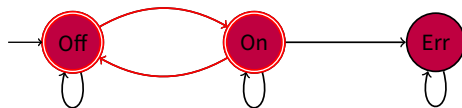
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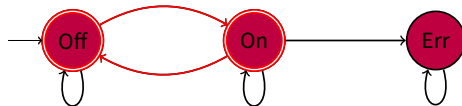
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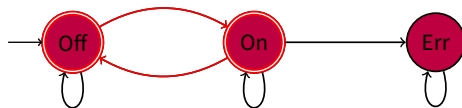
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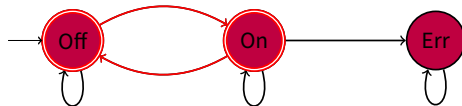
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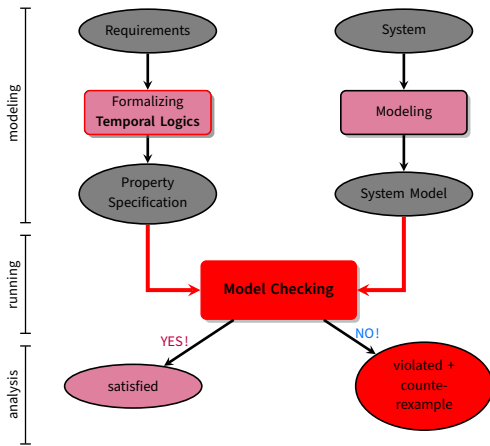
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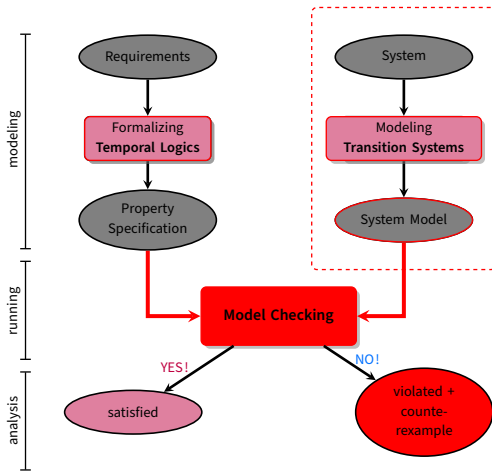
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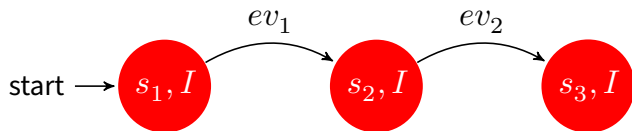
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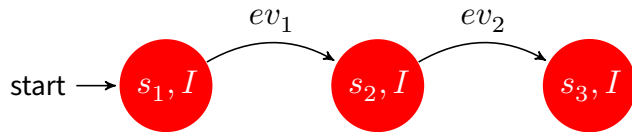


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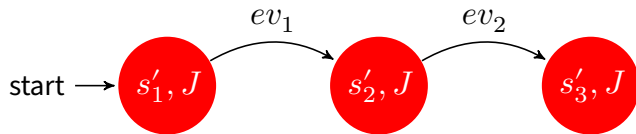


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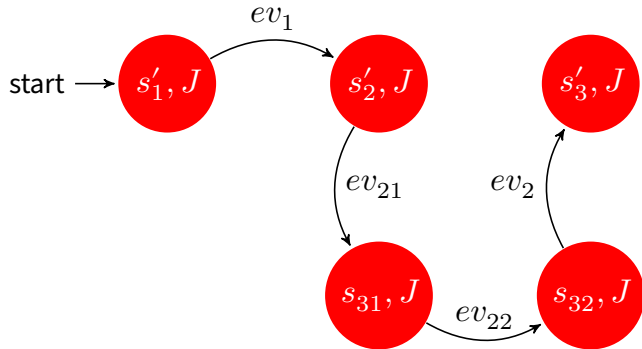
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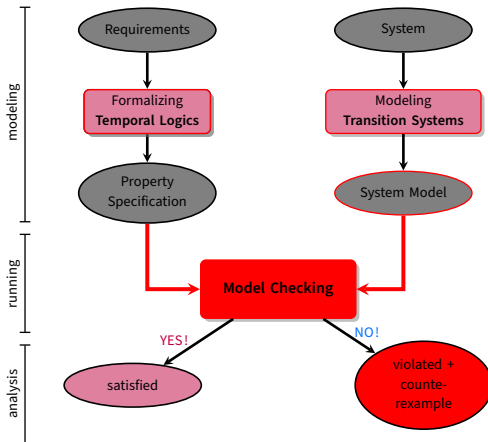
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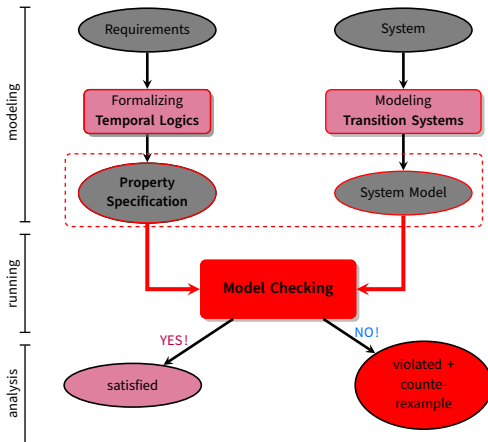


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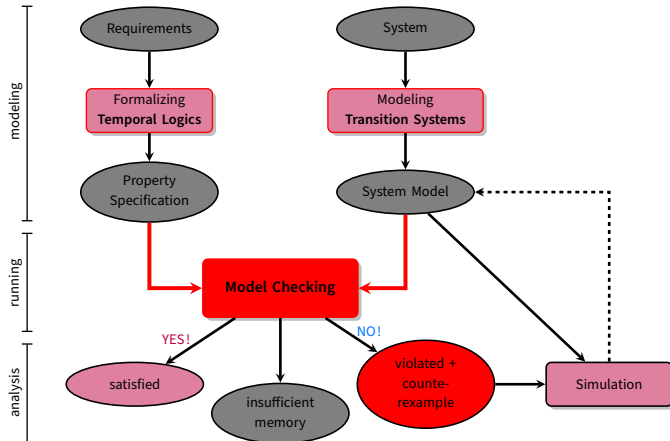
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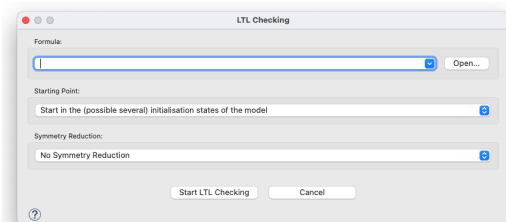
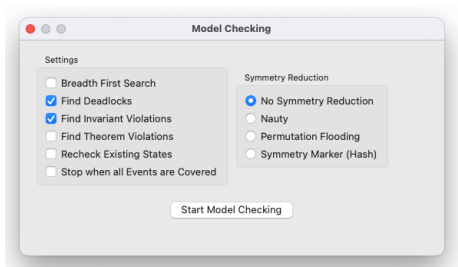
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