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Improve your tests with Makina

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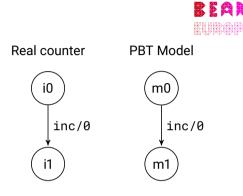
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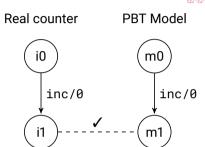
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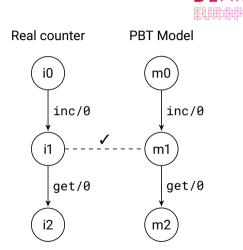
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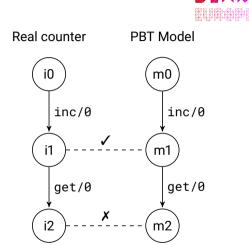
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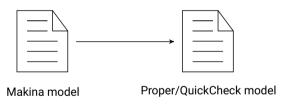
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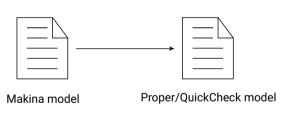


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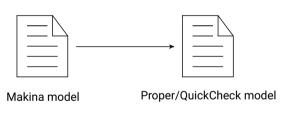
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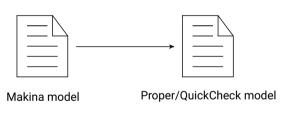


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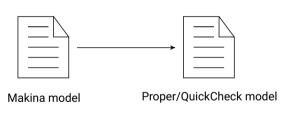
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_command_body_
  pre boolean()
  args generator()
  call return_type
  next [updates()]
  post boolean()
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The properties to test:

- 1. Mining blocks.
- 2. Account access.
- 3. Transactions between accounts.

How Makina handles this complexity?





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OK, passed 100 tests
51.5 \text{ mine/} \theta
48.5 block_number/0
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                                                  11
on line 8 is expected to have type integer()
                                                  12
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but it has type
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## Commands
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- block number
## State attributes
- height
## Invariants
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This module contains the functions necessary to
generate and execute the command mine.
Mines a new block.
## Definitions
- next
- call
- weight
- post
- args
- pre
```

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iex> h Blocks.Command.Mine.post
This definition contains a predicate that should
be true after the execution of mine
## Available variables
### State
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- height
### Arguments
- arguments
### Result
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command balance(account :: address()) :: integer() do
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    post balances[account] == result
end
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OK, passed 100 tests
'100.0 get_balance/1
```





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Commands

- mine stored
- get_balance
- block_number

State attributes

- height
- balances
- accounts

Invariants

- non_neg_height



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```
$ mix test
transfer("0x90f8bf6a479f320".
         "0xffcf8fdee72ac11",
get balance("0x90f8bf6a479f320")
Postcondition failed.
qet_balance("0x90f8bf6a479f320") -> 979000
Last state: %{
    balances: %{
        "0x90f8bf6a479f320" => 999999
        .. }
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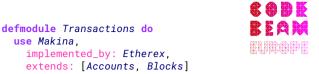
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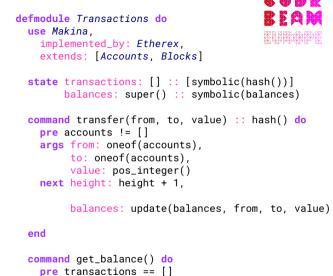
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> transactions: [result | transactions], balances: update(balances, from, to, value)

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defmodule Transactions.GasCost do
 use Makina, extends: Transactions

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```
$ mix test
```



'11.8 get_balance/1

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Problem on PBT models	Makina solution
Hard to reuse.	Modular and composable models.
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https://gitlab.com/babel-upm/makina/makina/