

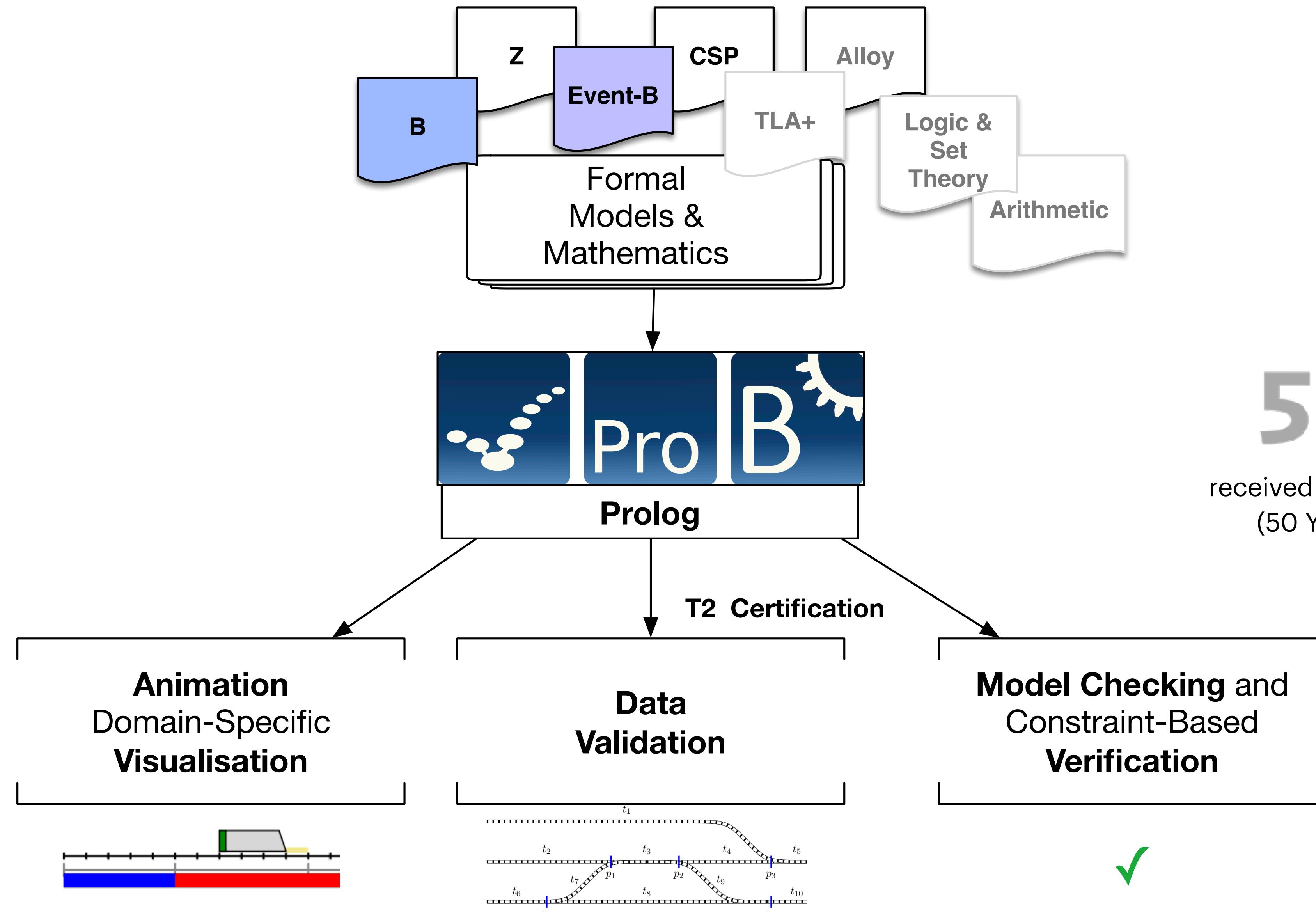
Real Animation of TLA+ Models

ProB for TLA+ and TLC for B

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A Validation Tool for Formal Models



Data Validation

Towards the limits

```
p_over := bool (#(over_track).((over_track : seq(t_block * t_direction) & over_track /= {} & first(over_track) = p_X2MDir & !ii . (ii : 1 .. size(over_track) - 1 => (over_track)(ii) : dom(sidb_nextBlock)) & !ii . (ii : 1 .. size(over_track) => sidb_nextBlock((over_track)(ii)) = (over_track)(ii + 1)) & (#(over_res).((over_res : sidb_restrictionApplicable & !(#ii . (ii : dom(over_track) & ((prj2(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(ii)) = c_up => over_res : ran(sgd_blockUpRestrictionSeq(prj1(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(ii)))) & ((prj2(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(ii)) = c_down => over_res : ran(sgd_blockDownRestrictionSeq(prj1(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(ii)))) & (ii = 1 => not(over_res <= p_X2MRes)) & p_X2MSSWorst + p_X2MDSS + (SIGMA(jj). (jj : 1 .. ii | SIGMA(pre_res). (pre_res : t_restriction & ((prj2(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(jj)) = c_up => pre_res : ran(sgd_blockUpRestrictionSeq(prj1(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(jj)))) & ((prj2(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(jj)) = c_down => pre_res : ran(sgd_blockDownRestrictionSeq(prj1(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(jj)))) & (jj = 1 => not(pre_res <= p_X2MRes)) & (jj = ii => not(pre_res >= over_res)) | sgd_restrictionDeltaSqSpeed(pre_res))) > sgd_restrictionSquareSpeed(over_res) & (over_res : sgd_restrictionFront => p_X2MResDist + ((SIGMA(ti). (ti : 1 .. ii | sgd_blockLength(prj1(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(ti)))) = c_down |> sgd_blockLength(p_X2MBlock) sgd_restrictionAbs(p_X2MRes), c_up |> sgd_restrictionAbs(p_X2MRes) \ p_X2MDir) ) {c_down |> sgd_restrictionAbs(over_res), c_up |> sgd_restrictionAbs(prj1(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(ii))) sgd_restrictionAbs(over_res) } ((prj2(t_block, t_direction)((over_track(ii)))) + sgd_restrictionLength(over_res) > loc_locationUncertainty + c_trainLength))) | or (#(eoares, res_after_eoa, ii). (eoares : t_restriction & res_after_eoa : t_restriction & ii : dom(over_track) & p_EOABlock = prj1(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(ii)) & (ii = 1 => p_X2MRes <= eoares) & ((prj2(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(ii)) = c_up => eoares : ran(sgd_blockUpRestrictionSeq(p_EOABlock)) & sgd_restrictionAbs(eoares) <= p_EOAabs & p_EOAabs < sgd_restrictionAbs(res_after_eoa) & !ri . (ri : ran(sgd_blockUpRestrictionSeq(p_EOABlock)) => ri <= eoares & res_after_eoa <= ri) & ((prj2(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(ii)) = c_down => eoares : ran(sgd_blockDownRestrictionSeq(p_EOABlock)) & res_after_eoa : ran(sgd_blockDownRestrictionSeq(p_EOABlock)) & sgd_restrictionAbs(eoares) >= p_EOAabs & p_EOAabs > sgd_restrictionAbs(res_after_eoa) & !ri . (ri : ran(sgd_blockDownRestrictionSeq(p_EOABlock)) => ri <= eoares & res_after_eoa <= ri) & p_X2MSSWorst + p_X2MDSS + (SIGMA(jj). (jj : 1 .. ii | SIGMA(pre_res). (pre_res : t_restriction & ((prj2(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(jj)) = c_up => pre_res : ran(sgd_blockUpRestrictionSeq(prj1(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(jj)))) & ((prj2(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(jj)) = c_down => pre_res : ran(sgd_blockDownRestrictionSeq(prj1(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(jj)))) & (jj = 1 => not(pre_res <= p_X2MRes)) & (jj = ii => pre_res <= eoares) | sgd_restrictionDeltaSqSpeed(pre_res))) ) {c_up |> sgd_restrictionAccel(eoares) * (sgd_restrictionAbs(res_after_eoa) p_EOAabs / 1024) / 2, c_down |> sgd_restrictionAccel(eoares) * ((p_EOAabs sgd_restrictionAbs(res_after_eoa) / 1024) / 2) { (prj2(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(ii))) > 0) | or (#(eoares, ii). (eoares : t_restriction & ii : dom(over_track) & (ii = 1 => not(eoares <= p_X2MRes)) & p_EOABlock = prj1(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(ii)) & ((prj2(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(ii)) = c_up => eoares : ran(sgd_blockUpRestrictionSeq(p_EOABlock)) & eoares = last(sgd_blockUpRestrictionSeq(p_EOABlock)) & sgd_restrictionAbs(eoares) <= p_EOAabs) & ((prj2(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(ii)) = c_down => eoares : ran(sgd_blockDownRestrictionSeq(p_EOABlock)) & eoares = last(sgd_blockDownRestrictionSeq(p_EOABlock)) & sgd_restrictionAbs(eoares) >= p_EOAabs) & p_X2MSSWorst + p_X2MDSS + (SIGMA(jj). (jj : 1 .. ii | SIGMA(pre_res). (pre_res : t_restriction & ((prj2(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(jj)) = c_up => pre_res : ran(sgd_blockUpRestrictionSeq(prj1(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(jj)))) & ((prj2(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(jj)) = c_down => pre_res : ran(sgd_blockDownRestrictionSeq(prj1(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(jj)))) & (jj = 1 => not(pre_res <= p_X2MRes)) & (jj = ii => not(pre_res >= eoares) | sgd_restrictionDeltaSqSpeed(pre_res))) ) {c_up |> sgd_restrictionAccel(eoares) * ((sgd_restrictionAbs(eoares) p_EOAabs / 1024) / 2) { (prj2(t_block, t_direction)(over_track(ii))) > 0) }
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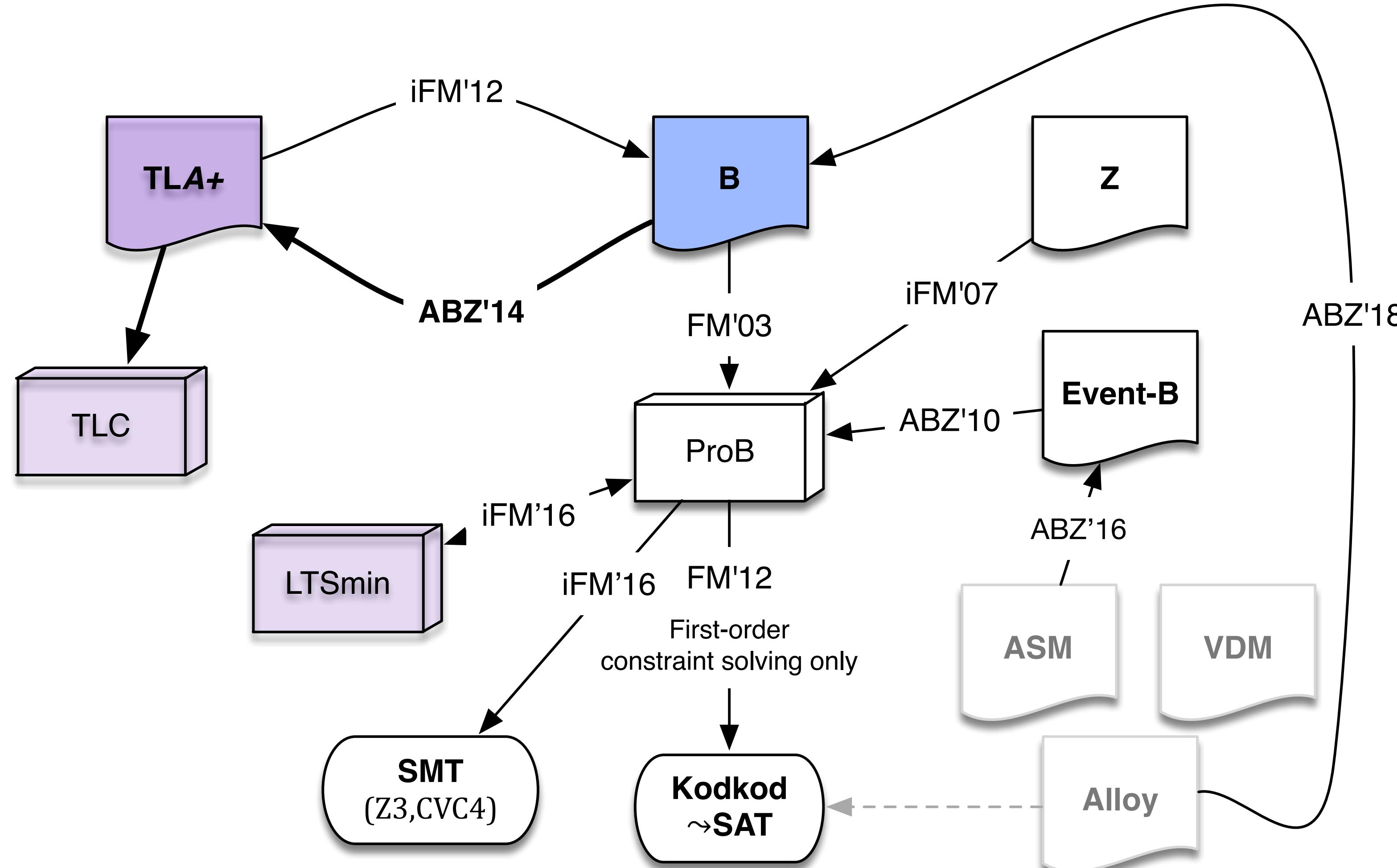
models with up to
10 million lines of B



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Certification as T2 tool

Languages and Backends

supported by ProB



ProB's User Interfaces

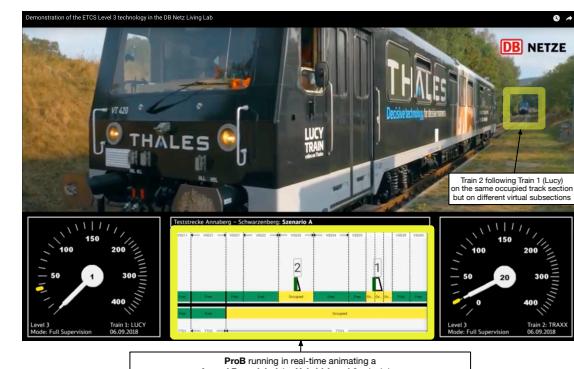
```
--> /* {RealTheoryTest1} : axm6 */ x + - 1.0 = 1.0
TRUE
TRUE  (2 ms - 0 ms = 2 ms)

--> /* {RealTheoryTest1} : axm7 */ x + 1.0 = x
TRUE
TRUE  (0 ms - 0 ms = 0 ms)

--> /* {RealTheoryTest1} : axm8 */ x * x = x + x
TRUE
TRUE  (0 ms - 0 ms = 0 ms)

--> /* {RealTheoryTest1} : axm9 */ RTINV(1.0) = 1.0
TRUE
TRUE  (1 ms - 0 ms = 1 ms)
```

probcli
(Command-Line Interface)



ProB embedded @ runtime

KISS PASSION Puzzle
A slightly more complicated puzzle (involving multiplication) is the KISS * KISS = PASSION problem.

```
In [3]: 1  {K,P} <= 9 &
2  {I,S,A,N,O} <= 6 &
3  {I,O,O,O,K+100,I+100,S+5} =
4  {I+1000,K+100,I+100,S+5} =
5  = 100000+P-100344+A+10000+S+300+I+10+O+N &
6  card({K, I, S, P, A, O, N}) = 7
```

Cut [3]: TRUE

Solution:

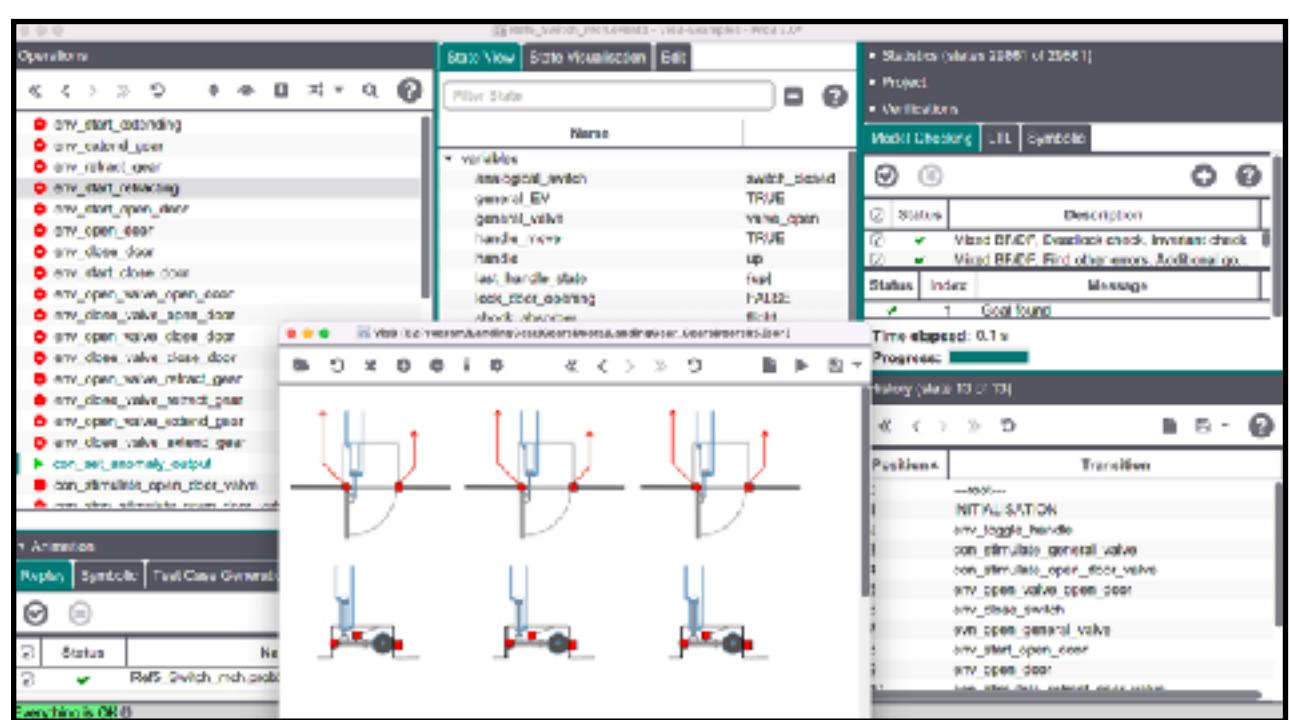
- $P = 4$
- $A = 1$
- $S = 3$
- $I = 0$
- $K = 2$
- $O = 9$
- $G = 8$

ProB Jupyter Kernel
(Notebook interface)

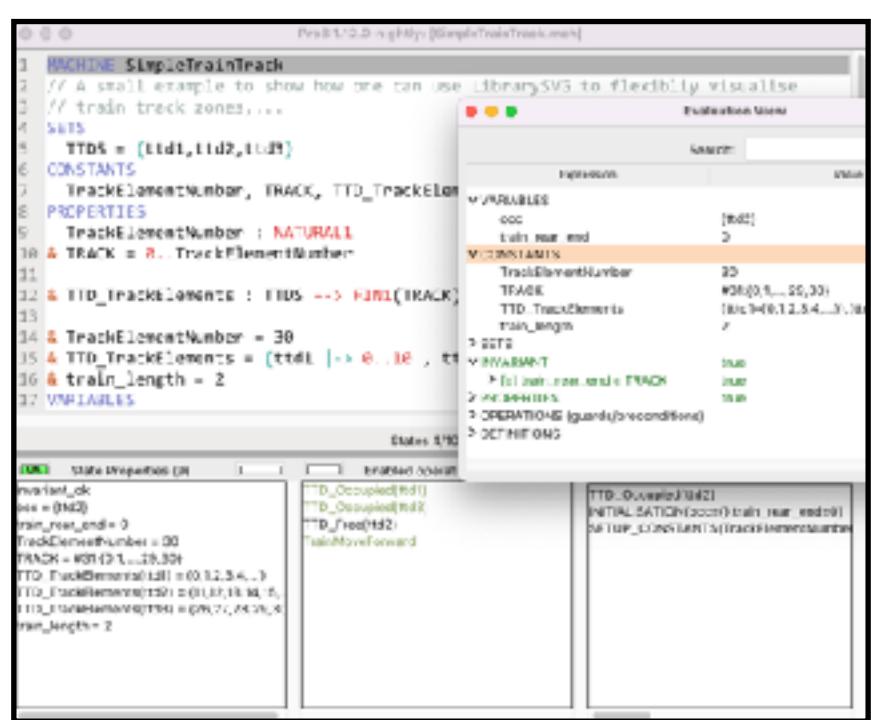
all share the same Prolog core



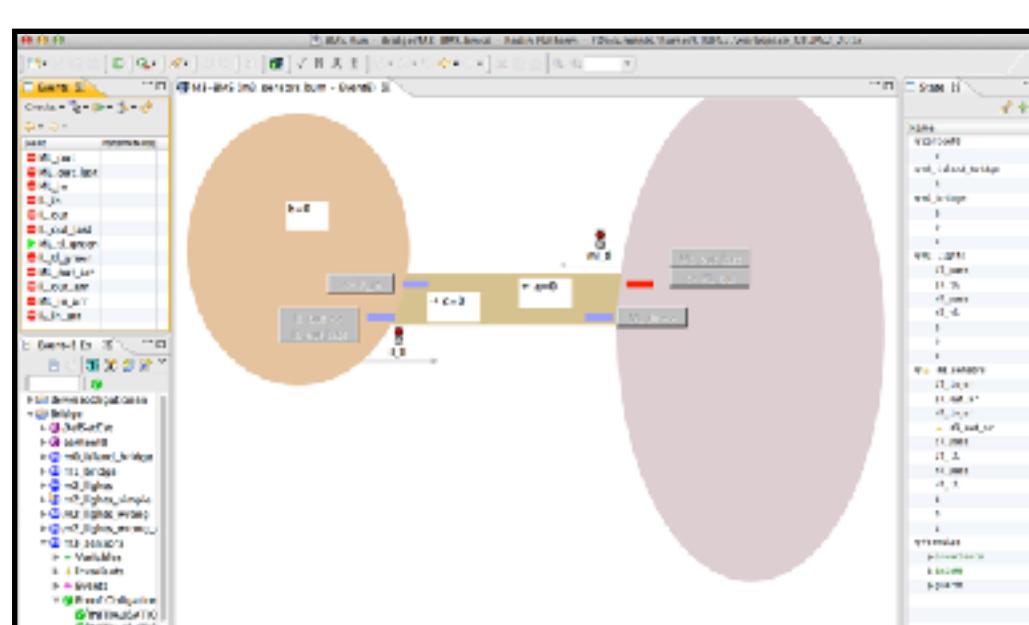
ProB2-UI



ProB Tcl/Tk

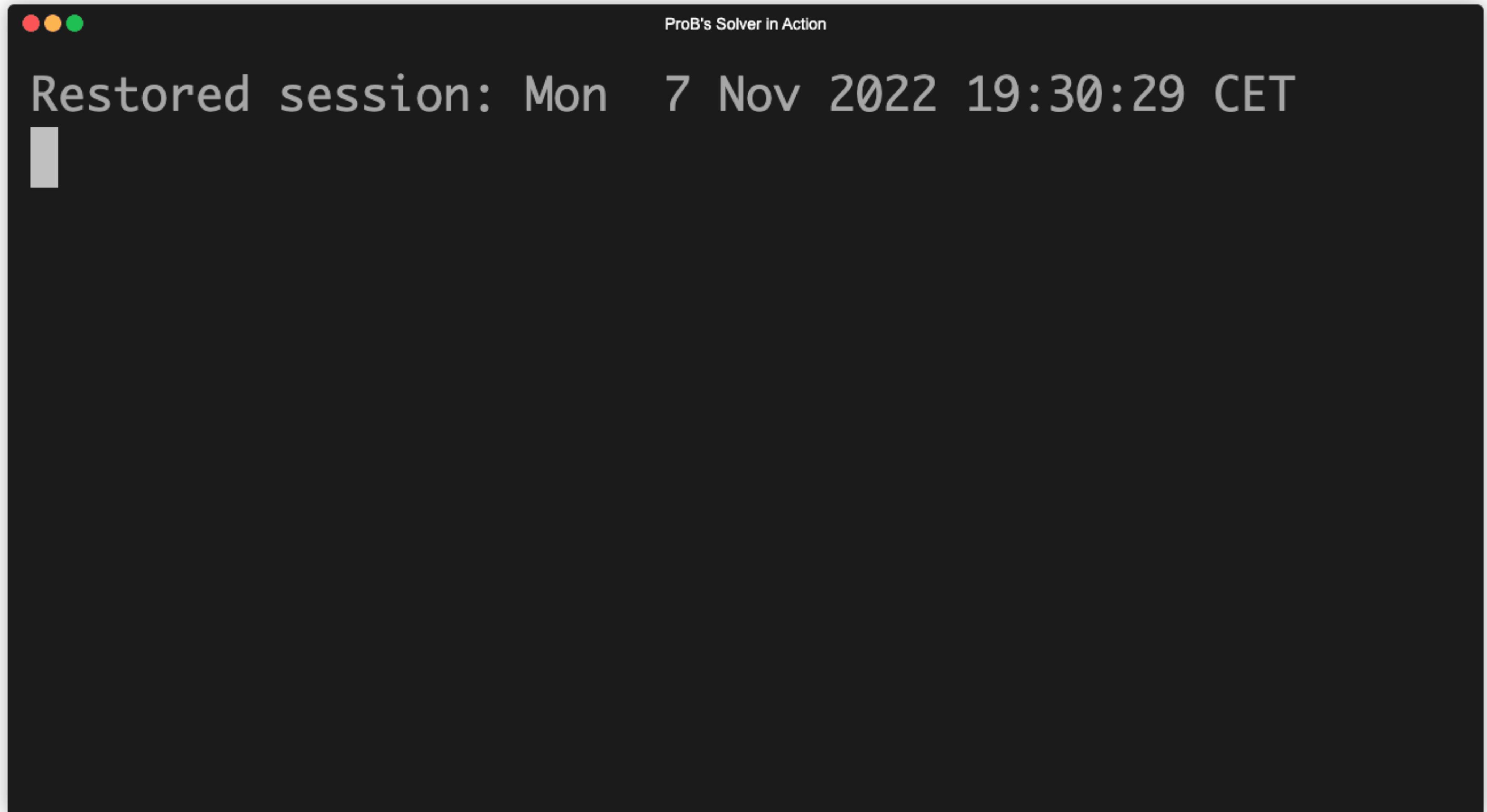


ProB Rodin (Eclipse) Plugin

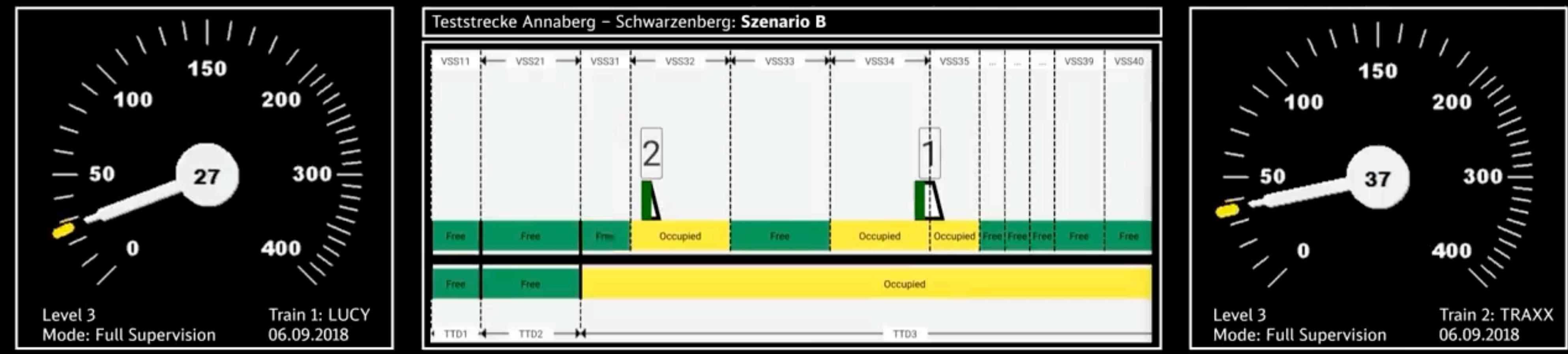


including Disprover

ProB's Solver in Action



ProB running in SICStus **Prolog** in real-time executing a formal B model of the Hybrid-Level 3 principles



Train 2 following Train 1 (Lucy) on the same occupied track section, but on different virtual subsections



B Logical Foundations

- Typed first-order **predicate logic** with equality
 - Well-Definedness Conditions to stay in two-valued logic
- **Arithmetic** over mathematical integers and implementable integers
- **Set theory**
 - Sets, Relations, Functions, Sequences
 - including higher-order functions
- B is simpler than its predecessor Z
- and provides structuring and refinement for proving and code generation

related state-based formal methods:
Z, TLA+, Alloy, VDM, ASM

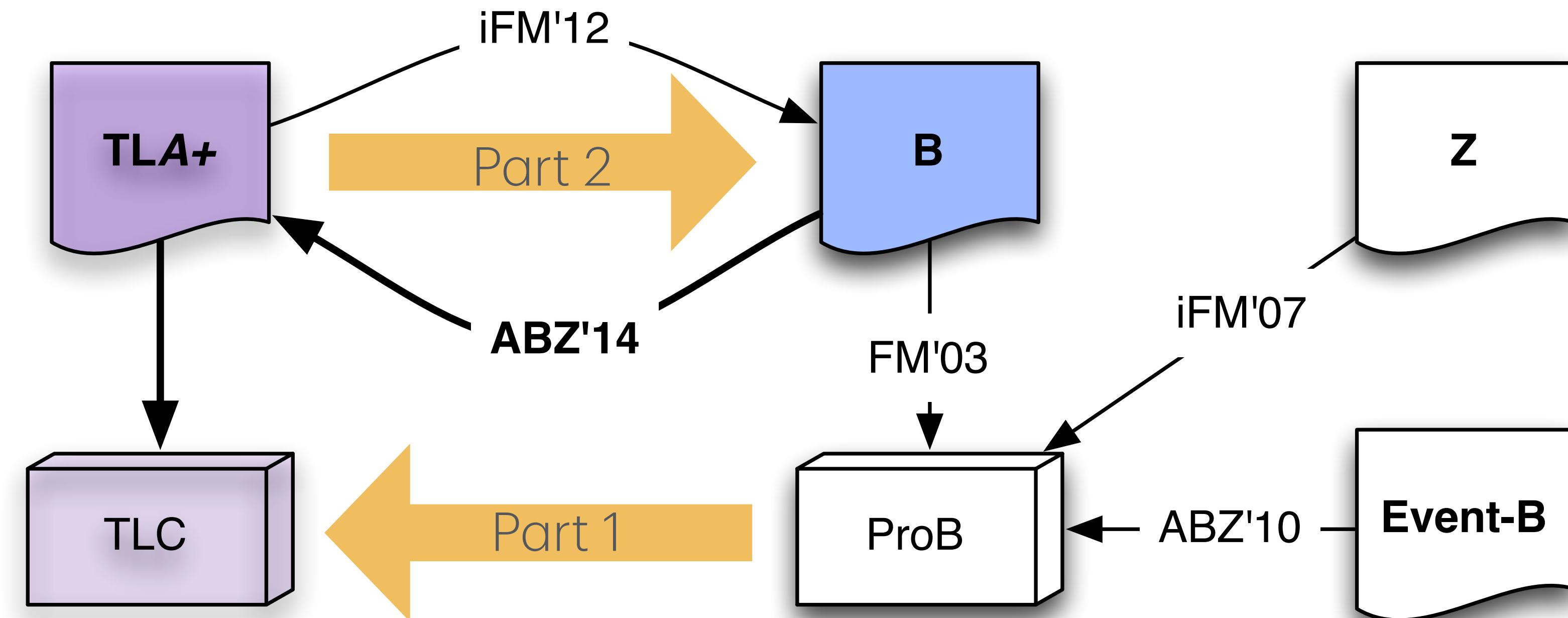
$p \in \text{dom}(a) \rightarrow \text{dom}(a) \wedge \forall i \cdot (i \in 1..(\text{size}(a)-1) \Rightarrow p(a(i)) < p(a(i+1)))$

TLA+ vs B

	TLA ⁺	B-Method
Invented by	Leslie Lamport	J.R. Abrial
State-based	✓	✓
Typed	✗	✓
Set theory	✓	✓
Predicate logic	✓	✓
Arithmetic	✓	✓
Temporal formulas	✓	✗
State transition	Before-after predicate	Generalised substitutions
Model checker	TLC	PROB
Prover support	TLAPS	AtelierB

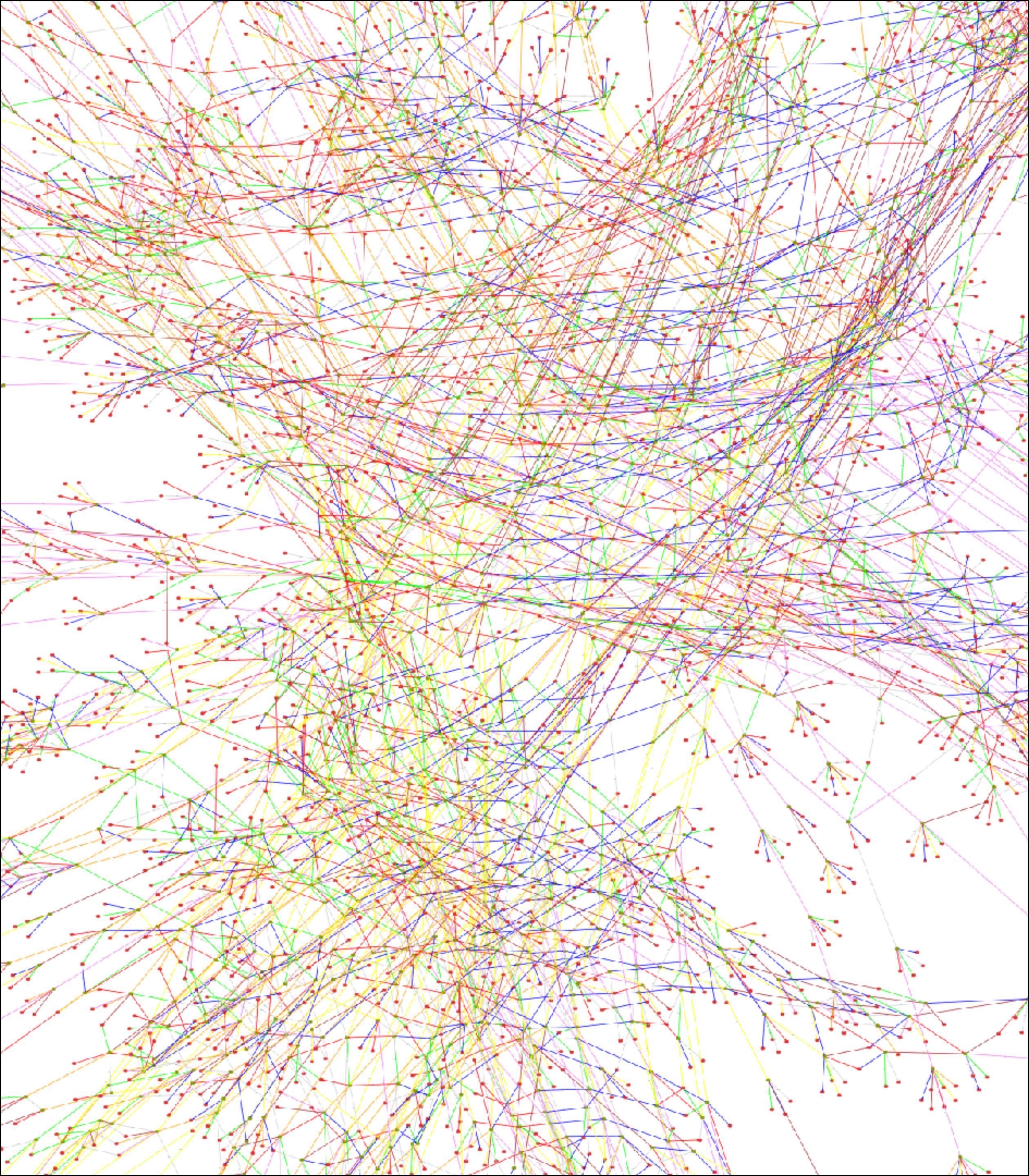
This talk

ProB and TLA+



TLC for B/ProB

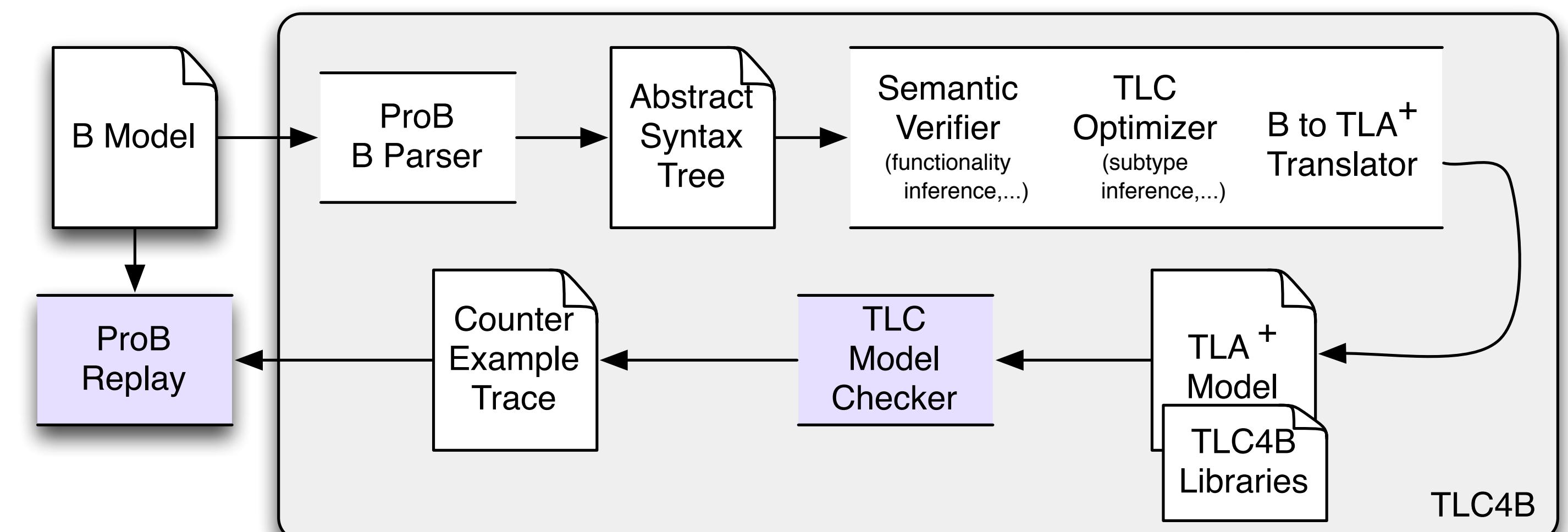
Part 1 of Talk



TLC for B

- Based on a translation of B to TLA+ with some special modules for relations and functions
 - Functions in B are sets of tuples and we can apply set and relation operators on them
- Motivation of TLC4B: for low-level models TLC is much faster than ProB:
 - no constraint solving overhead

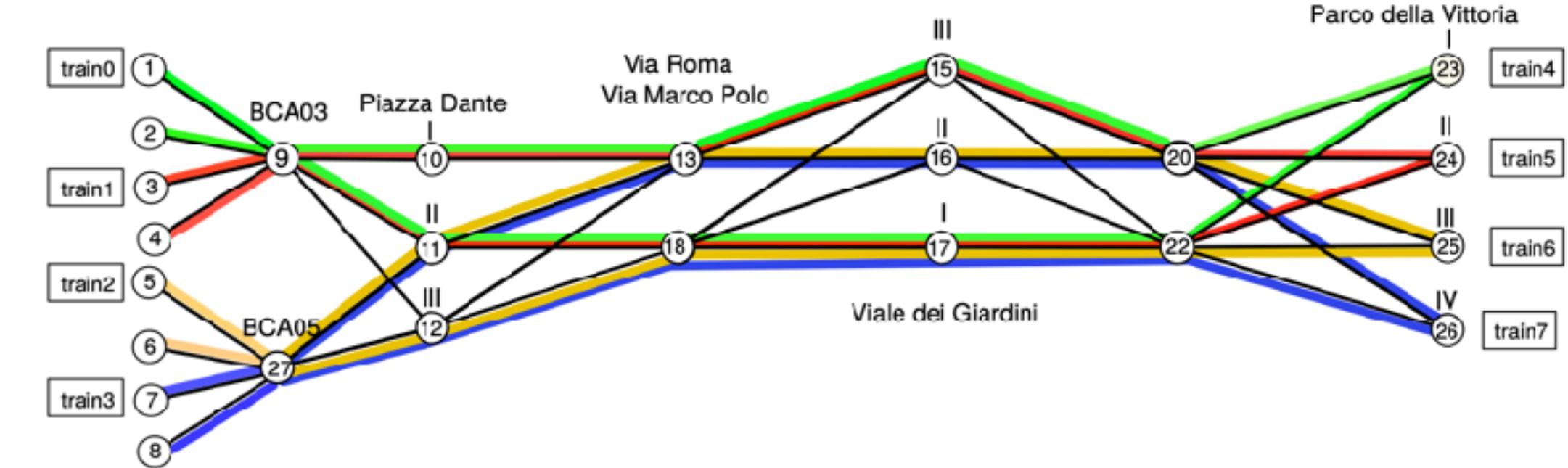
- Java vs Prolog?
- ignoring hash collisions in TLC
- parallel



Signalling Example

Benchmark

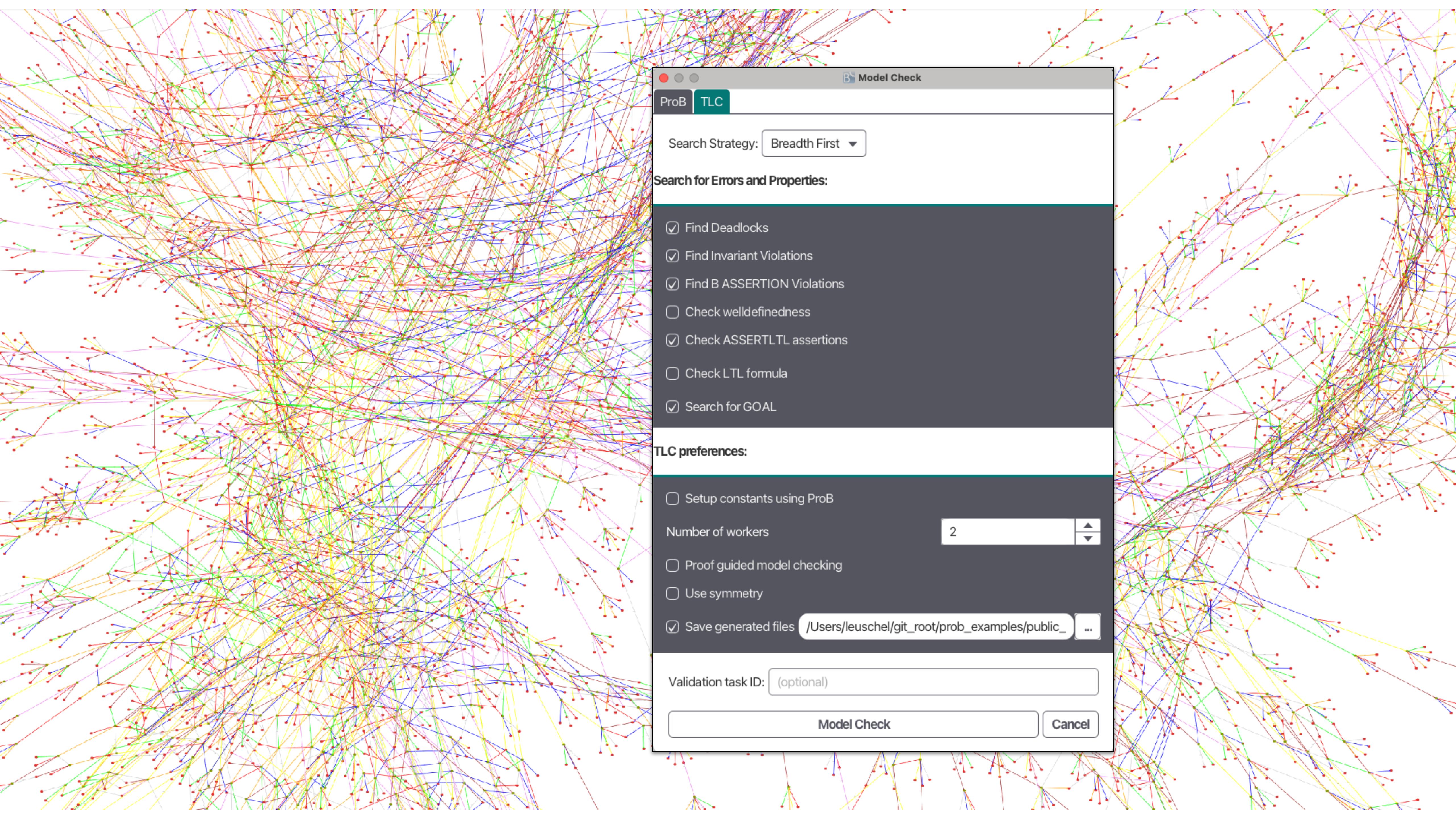
- Benchmark from Mars 2018 (Models for Formal Analysis of Real Systems)
- Using TLC4B required extension to handle limited sequential composition used



Communications-based Train Control (CBTC) systems are metro signalling platforms, which coordinate and protect the movements of trains within the tracks of a station, and between different stations. In CBTC platforms, a prominent role is played by the Automatic Train Supervision (ATS) system, which automatically dispatches and routes trains within the metro network. Among the various functions, an ATS needs to avoid deadlock situations, i.e., cases in which a group of trains block each other. In the context of a technology transfer study, we designed an algorithm for deadlock avoidance in train scheduling. In this paper, we present a case study in which the algorithm has been applied. The case study has been encoded using ten different formal verification environments, namely UMC, SPIN, NuSMV/nuXmv, mCRL2, CPN Tools, FDR4, CADP, TLA+, UPPAAL and ProB. Based on our experience, we observe commonalities and differences among the modelling languages considered, and we highlight the impact of the specific characteristics of each language on the presented models.

Table 3: Indicative Summary of Evaluation Times

Framework	Range of evalution times
UMC	38 - 86 seconds
SPIN	13 - 47 seconds
NuSMV/nuXmv	2.9 - 43 seconds
CADP	29 seconds
UPPAAL	16 seconds
TLA+	3 minutes
ProB	32 minutes
mCRL2	2 minutes -19 minutes
FDR4	15 seconds - 20 minutes
CPN	unable to deal with the state-space size



B Model Check

ProB TLC

Search Strategy: Breadth First ▾

Search for Errors and Properties:

- Find Deadlocks
- Find Invariant Violations
- Find B ASSERTION Violations
- Check welldefinedness
- Check ASSERTLTL assertions
- Check LTL formula
- Search for GOAL

TLC preferences:

- Setup constants using ProB

Number of workers ▾

- Proof guided model checking
- Use symmetry

Save generated files /Users/leuschel/git_root/prob_examples/public_ ...

Validation task ID: (optional)

Model Check **Cancel**

prob_oneway8seq.mch - TLA_Examples - ProB 2.0*

Operations

- ▶ move0
- ◀ move1
- ◀ move2
- ◀ move3
- ▶ move4
- ◀ move5
- ◀ move6
- ▶ move7
- ◀ arrived

State View

prob_on...

```

1 /* https://www3.hhu.de/stups/prob/index.php/Summary_of_B_Syn
2
3 MACHINE Oneway
4
5 DEFINITIONS
6   SET_PREF_MAXINT == 1;
7   SET_PREF_MININT == 0
8

```

Graph & Table Visualization

Reload Visualization

- visb_info
- state_space_visualisation
- trace_visualisation
- data_flow_info
- state_visualisation

Animation

Replay | Symbol

Status

✓

Verifications

Model Checking | LTL/CTL | Symbolic | Proof Obligation

Status	Description
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TLC...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TLC...

Status

Message

Model Checking complete. No error nodes found.

Result: Model Checking | Continue Model Checking

Time elapsed: 11.0 s

Progress:

Processed States: 1,636,545/1,636,545 (100%)

Total Transitions: 7134234

Memory Usage: -

Project

History (state 35 of 35)

Position ▲

Transition

```

0 --root--
1 SETUP_CONSTANTS
2 INITIALISATION
3 move0
4 move5
5 move5
6 move2
7 move4
8 move5
9 move2
10 move3
11 move4
12 move2
13 move0
14 move3
15 move2
16 move7

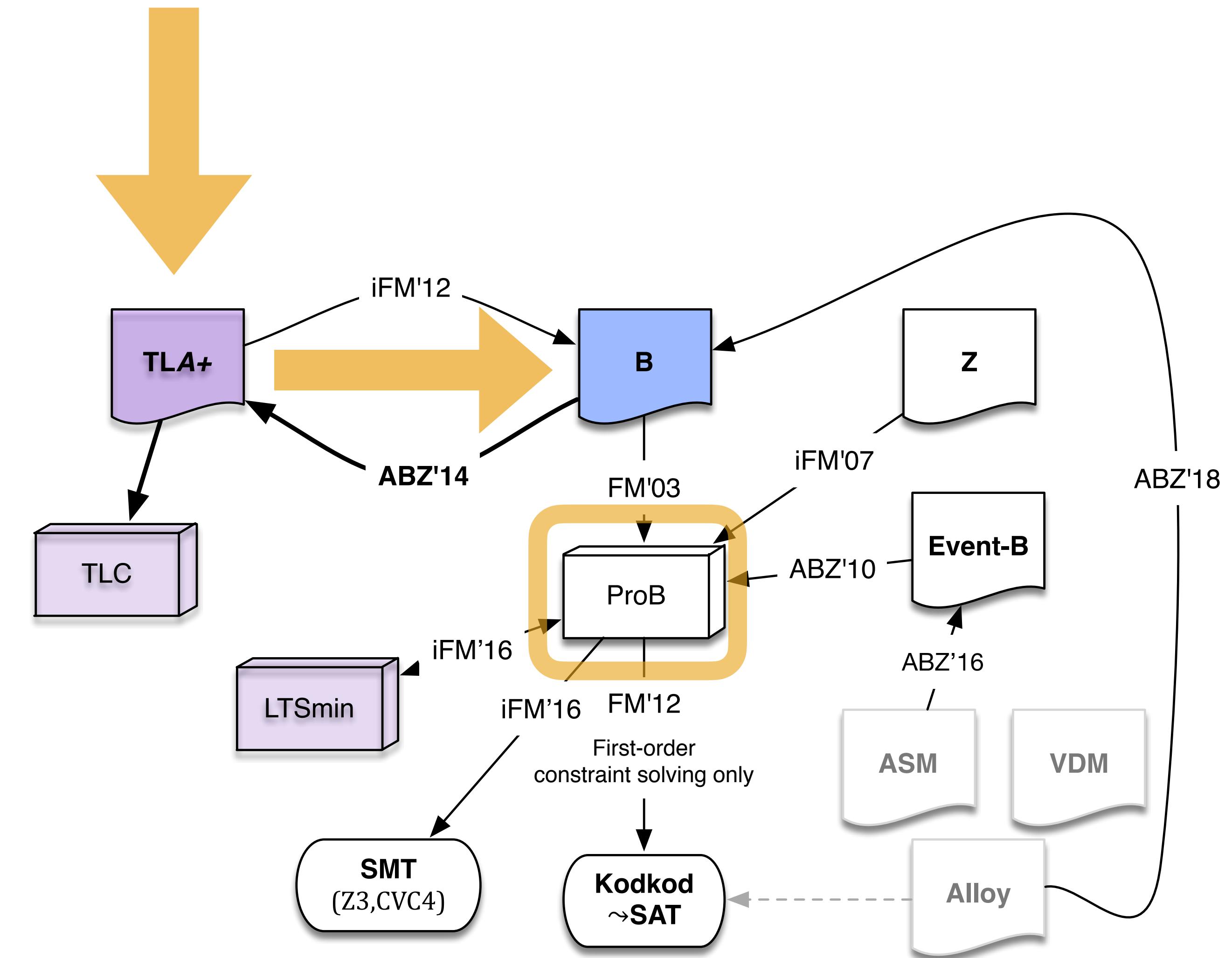
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Recap: TLC for B

- Improved TLC support for B models
 - Latest version of TLC
 - More options (disable coverage, inspect TLA+ translation), support in ProB2-UI
 - Limited support for sequential composition (but not full support, no refinement support, no WHILE, ...)
- For MARS 18 model: combined ProB+TLC faster than either alone
 - ProB generates solutions for constants / initial state (via solver)
 - TLC checks large state space of simple B operations
 - Performance similar to Spin!

ProB for TLA+

Part 2 of Talk



ProB for TLA+

Translation of TLA+ to B AST

- Several values exist in both B and TLA+: strings, integers, records, sets, sequences,...
- B is typed (with type inference)
- Some slight differences
(modulo, division)
-

```
MODULE HourClock
EXTENDS Naturals
CONSTANTS start
VARIABLES hr
ASSUME start ∈ 0 .. 12

Inv ≡ hr ∈ 0 .. 12
Init ≡ hr = start
Inc ≡ hr < 12 ∧ hr' = hr + 1
Reset ≡ hr = 12 ∧ hr' = 1
Next ≡ Inc ∨ Reset
```

```
MACHINE HourClock
CONSTANTS start
VARIABLES hr
PROPERTIES start ∈ 0 .. 12
INVARIANT hr ∈ 0 .. 12
INITIALISATION hr : (hr = start)
OPERATIONS
  Inc_Op = ANY hr_n
    WHERE hr < 12 ∧ hr_n = hr + 1
    THEN hr := hr_n END

  Reset_Op = ANY hr_n
    WHERE hr = 12 ∧ hr_n = 1
    THEN hr := hr_n END
END
```

Why ProB for TLA+

- Interactive animation
- Constraint solving capabilities
- Visualisation: state space projection, individual states using GraphViz, SVG-based interactive visualisation
- Storing & replaying traces, VO manager
- Model checking: other algorithms available: symmetry, operation caching, POR, ...

Why not ProB for TLA+

- Model checking can be much slower
- Only typed specifications are accepted
- Not all features of TLA+ supported
- Tool may show B formulas (even though use of Unicode overcomes part of the hurdle)

▼ INVARIANT	true
► [ϵ] small $\epsilon 0 .. 3$	true
► [ϵ] big $\epsilon 0 .. 5$	true
► [\neq] big $\neq 4$	true

ProB2-UI

<https://prob.hhu.de>

The screenshot displays the ProB2-UI interface with several views:

- Operations View** (for interactive animation): Located in the bottom-left corner, it shows a list of operations like TTD_Occupied and TrainMoveForward.
- State View** (to inspect current and preceding state): Located in the top-middle section, it shows variables (occ, train_rear_end), constants, and properties.
- Project View** (for models and preferences): Located in the top-right section, it shows a list of projects and their files.
- Replay View** (for automatic trace replay): Located in the middle-left section, it shows a history of states and a timeline.
- Console (REPL)** (for interactive exploration): Located in the middle section, it shows a command-line interface for interacting with the model.
- VisB View** (SVG-based visualization of current state): Located in the bottom section, it shows an SVG visualization of the current state.
- History View** (to inspect and navigating current animation trace): Located in the bottom-right section, it shows a detailed history of the animation trace.

Constraint Solving Example

N-Queens

```
---- MODULE queens_20 ----
```

```
EXTENDS Naturals, FiniteSets
```

```
VARIABLE queens, n, solved
```

```
----
```

```
Init == /\ queens=[i \in 1..2 |-> 0]
```

```
  /\ n=20
```

```
  /\ solved = 0
```

```
Solve == /\ solved=0
```

```
  /\ queens' \in [1..n -> 1..n]
```

```
  /\ \A i \in 1..n : (\A j \in 2..n : i < j => queens'[i] # queens'[j] /\  
    queens'[i]+i-j # queens'[j] /\ queens'[i]-i+j # queens'[j])
```

```
  /\ solved'=1
```

```
  /\ n'=n
```

```
Spec == Init /\ [] [Solve]_<<n,queens>>
```

MacBook Air M2 n	ProB 1.13.1 (MC Time)	TLC 2.19 Toolbox 1.7.4 (MC Time)
6	0.003	2.408
7	0.003	5.953
8	0.003	77.590
9	0.004	35min 23 sec
20	0.018	?

Operations

State View Edit

File content has changed queens.tla

```
1 ---- MODULE queens_20 ----
2
3 EXTENDS Naturals, FiniteSets
4
5 VARIABLE queens, n, solved
6 ----
7
8 Init == /\ queens=[i \in 1..2 | -> 0]
9   /\ n=20
10  /\ solved = 0
11
12 Solve == /\ solved=0
13   /\ queens' \in [1..n -> 1..n]
14   /\ \A i \in 1..n : (\A j \in 2..n : i < j => queens'[i] # j)
15   /\ solved'=1
16   /\ n'=n
17 Spec == Init /\ [] [Solve]_<<n,queens>>
18
19 VISE_JSON_FILE == "queens_20_tla.json"
20
21 -----
22 /* Generated at Tue Jun 22 21:06:17 CEST 2010
23 /* TLC takes 2 seconds for n=6, 12 seconds to solve for n=7
24 /* and 4 minutes 9 seconds for n=8, 1h45min47sec for n=9
25 /* ProB takes 0.01 seconds for n=8, both on MacBook Pro 3.06 GHz
26
```

Visualisation

VisB State Visualisation

Animation

Replay Symbolic Test Case Generation

Status Name Steps

No Traces

Interactive Console

Statistics (states 1 of 2)

Verifications

Project

Machines Status Preferences Project

DomSetLeaves3
public_examples/B/B2SAT/other/DomSetLeaves3.tla

IceCream_Generic_cst
public_examples/B/B2SAT/other/IceCream_Generic_cst.tla

prob_oneway8seq
public_examples/B/Other/MARS18/010-BMethod/prob_oneway8seq.mch

prob_oneway8seq_tlc
public_examples/B/Other/MARS18/010-BMethod/prob_oneway8seq_tlc.mch

tictactoe_v2
./JAVAPROB/visb-visualisation-examples/TicTacToe/tictactoe_v2.tla

Einstein
./JAVAPROB/visb-visualisation-examples/Einstein/Einstein.tla

Demo01_no_tfaps
public_examples/TLA/Reals/Demo01_no_tfaps.tla

DieHard
./JAVAPROB/visb-visualisation-examples/Jars/DieHard.tla

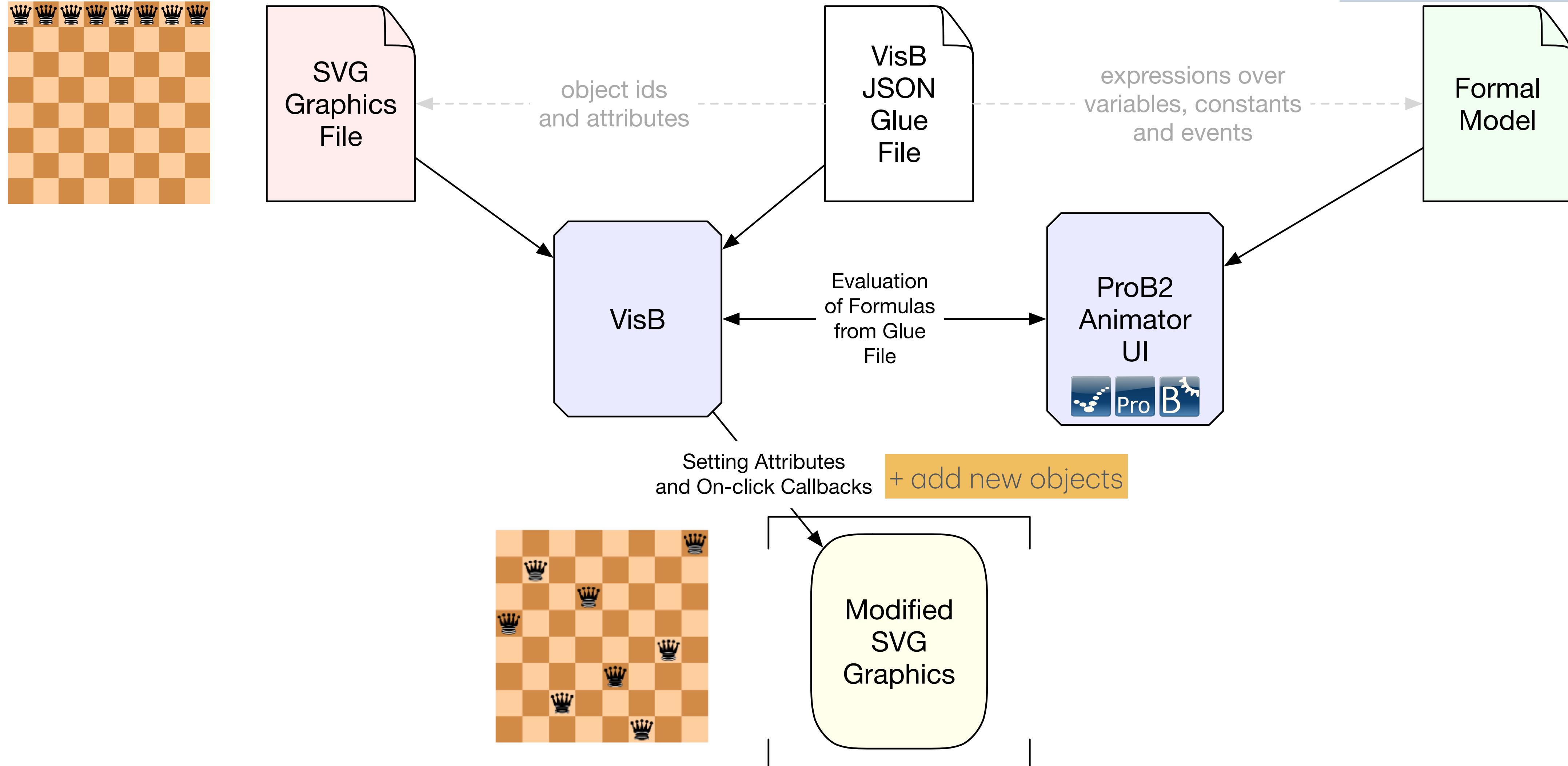
queens_20
./JAVAPROB/visb-visualisation-examples/N-Queens/queens_20.tla

History (state 2 of 2)

Position	Transition
0	--root--
1	INITIALISATION
2	Solve

VisB Architecture

How to visualise formal models



```
---- MODULE queens_20 ----  
EXTENDS Naturals, FiniteSets  
VARIABLE queens, n, solved  
----  
Init == /\ queens=[i \in 1..2 |-> 0]  
      /\ n=20  
      /\ solved = 0  
Solve == /\ solved=0  
      /\ queens' \in [1..n -> 1..n]  
      /\ \A i \in 1..n : (\A j \in 2..n : i <= queens'[i] #  
      queens'[j]) /\  
      queens'[i]+i-j # queens'[j] /\  
      /\ solved'=1  
      /\ n'=n  
Spec == Init /\ [] [Solve]_<<n,queens>>
```

Another Example

Die Hard Jugs Puzzle

- Interactive visualisation
- Note: instead of putting VisB infos in JSON file, one can now also provide definitions in TLA+ syntax in the .tla file
- VISB_SVG_OBJECTS == ...

```
----- MODULE DieHard -----
(* File from TLC distribution; minor changes for ProB and VisB *)
(*****)
(* In the movie Die Hard 3, the heroes must obtain exactly 4 gallons of*)
(* water using a 5 gallon jug, a 3 gallon jug, and a water faucet. Our *)
(* goal: to get TLC to solve the problem for us. *)
(*
*)
(* First, we write a spec that describes all allowable behaviors of our *)
(* heros.
(*****)
...
TypeOK == /\ small \in 0..3
    /\ big \in 0..5
...
(*****)
Next == \vee FillSmallJug
    \vee FillBigJug
    \vee EmptySmallJug
    \vee EmptyBigJug
    \vee SmallToBig
    \vee BigToSmall
...
...
```

```
VISB_JSON_FILE == "DieHard_tla.json" /* addition for ProB-VisB
GOAL == (big=4) /* for ProB; not really required; config file has invariant
```

DieHard.tla - TLA_Examples - ProB 2.0

Operations

State View Edit

DieHard.tla

FillSmallJug
FillBigJug
EmptySmallJug
EmptyBigJug
SmallToBig
BigToSmall

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(* In the movie Die Hard 3, the heros must obtain exactly 4 gallons of water using a 5 gallon jug, a 3 gallon jug, and a water faucet.

(* goal: to get TLC to solve the problem for us.

(* First, we write a spec that describes all allowable behaviors of heros.

EXTENDS Integers

(* This statement imports the definitions of the ordinary operators natural numbers, such as +.

VARIABLES big, /* The number of gallons of water in the 5 gallon jug
small /* The number of gallons of water in the 3 gallon jug

Visualisation

VisB State Visualisation

Animation

Replay Symbolic Test Case Generation

Status Name Steps

DieHard 7

Interactive Console

Statistics (states 11 of 13)

Verifications

Model Checking LTL/CTL Symbolic Proof Obligation

+ ?

Status Description

Mixed BF/DF, Deadlock check, Invariant check, Find other err...

Status Message

No model checking step executed yet

Start Model Checking Continue Model Checking

Project

History (state 6 of 7)

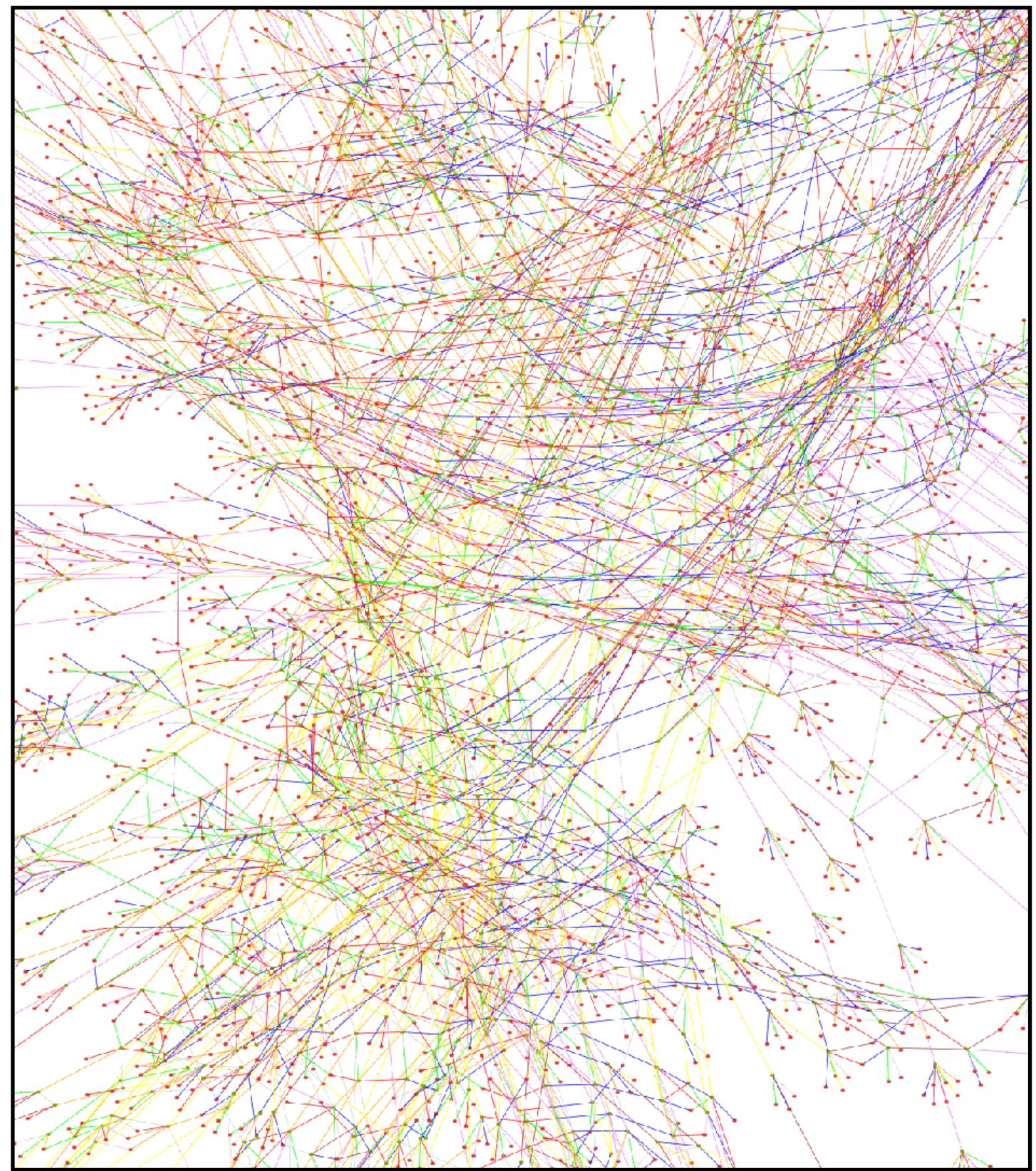
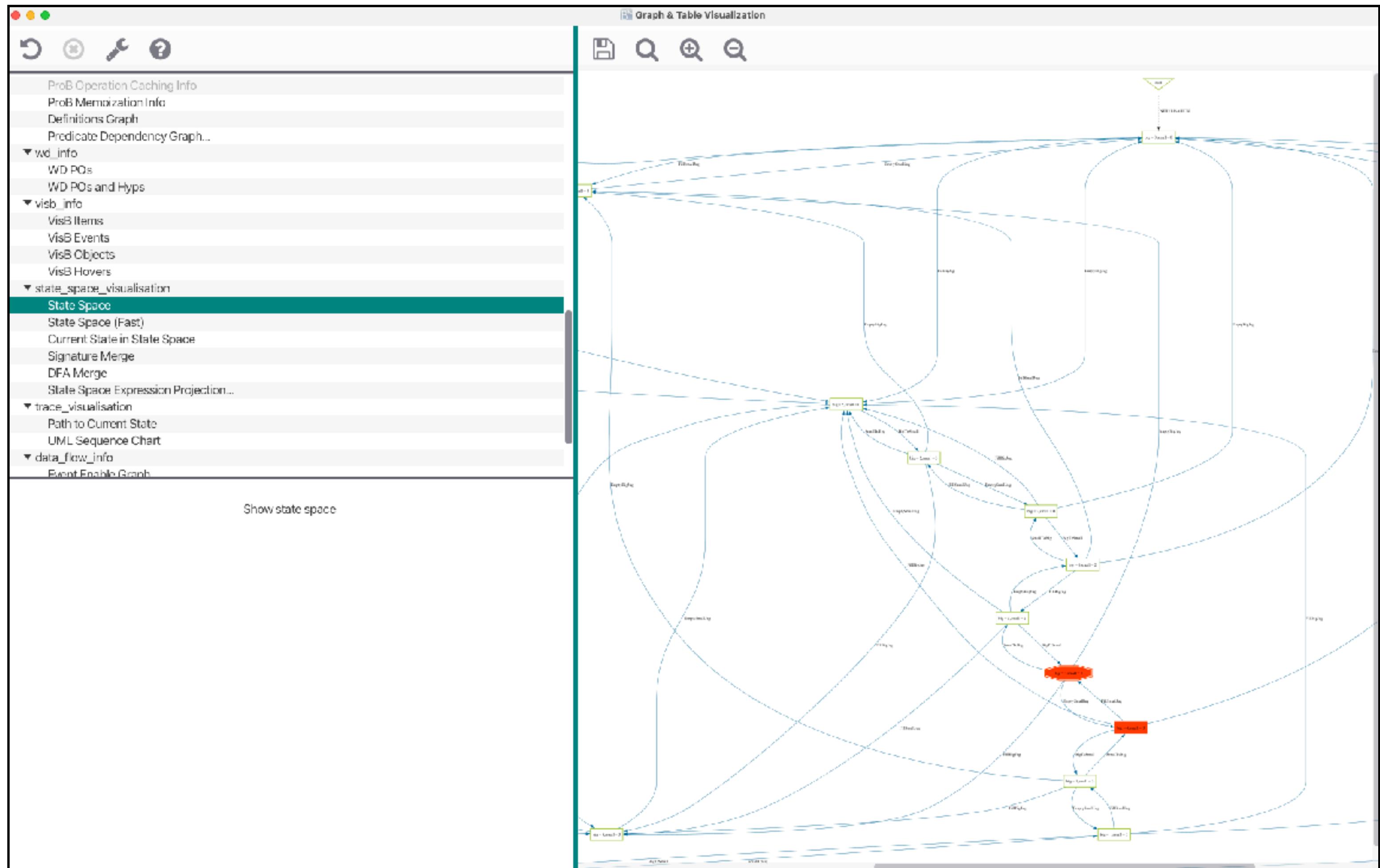
Position ▲ Transition

---root---
INITIALISATION
FillBigJug
BigToSmall
EmptySmallJug
BigToSmall
FillBigJug
BigToSmall

Everything is OK

Full State Space Visualisation

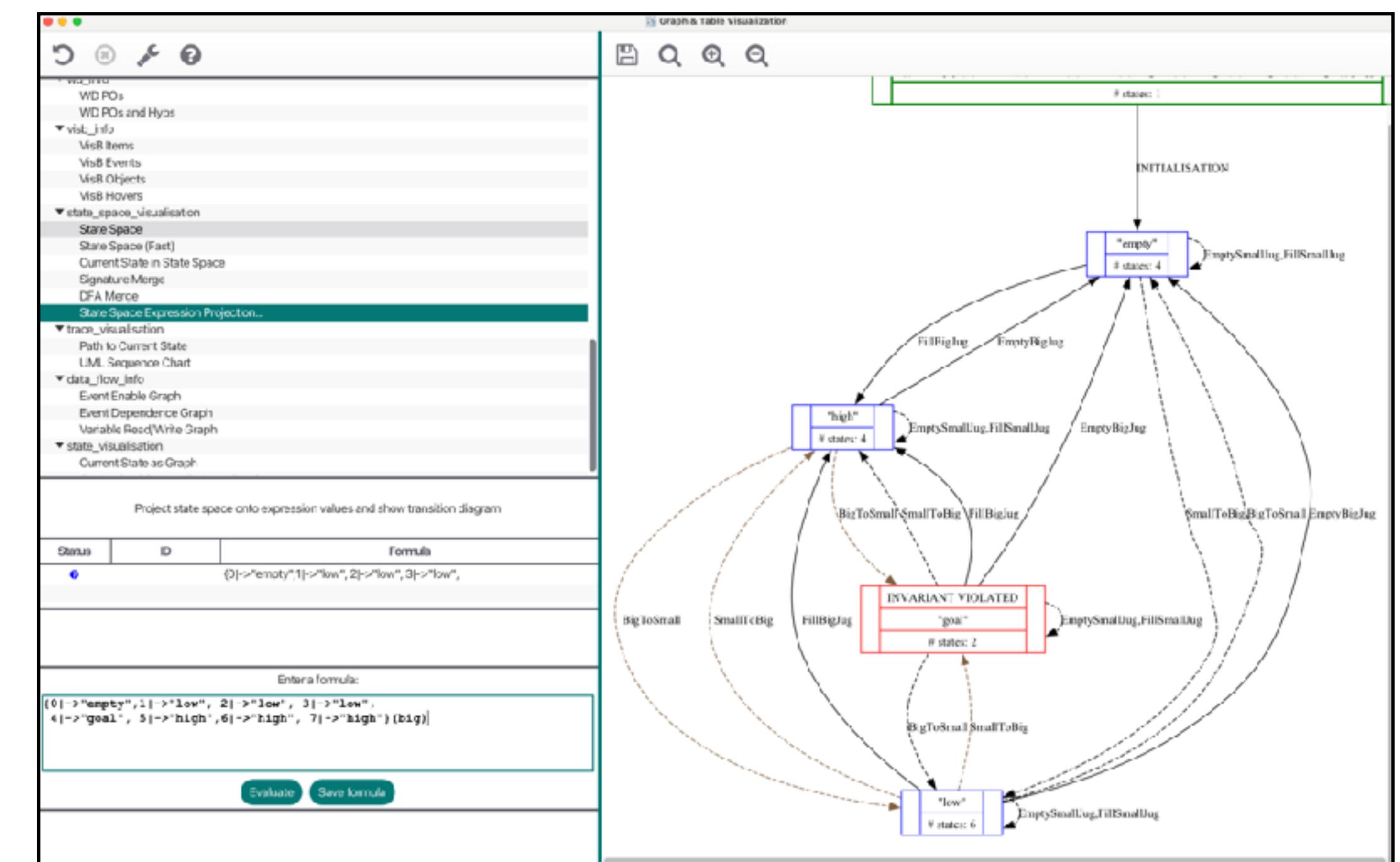
sometimes beautiful, but seldom informative

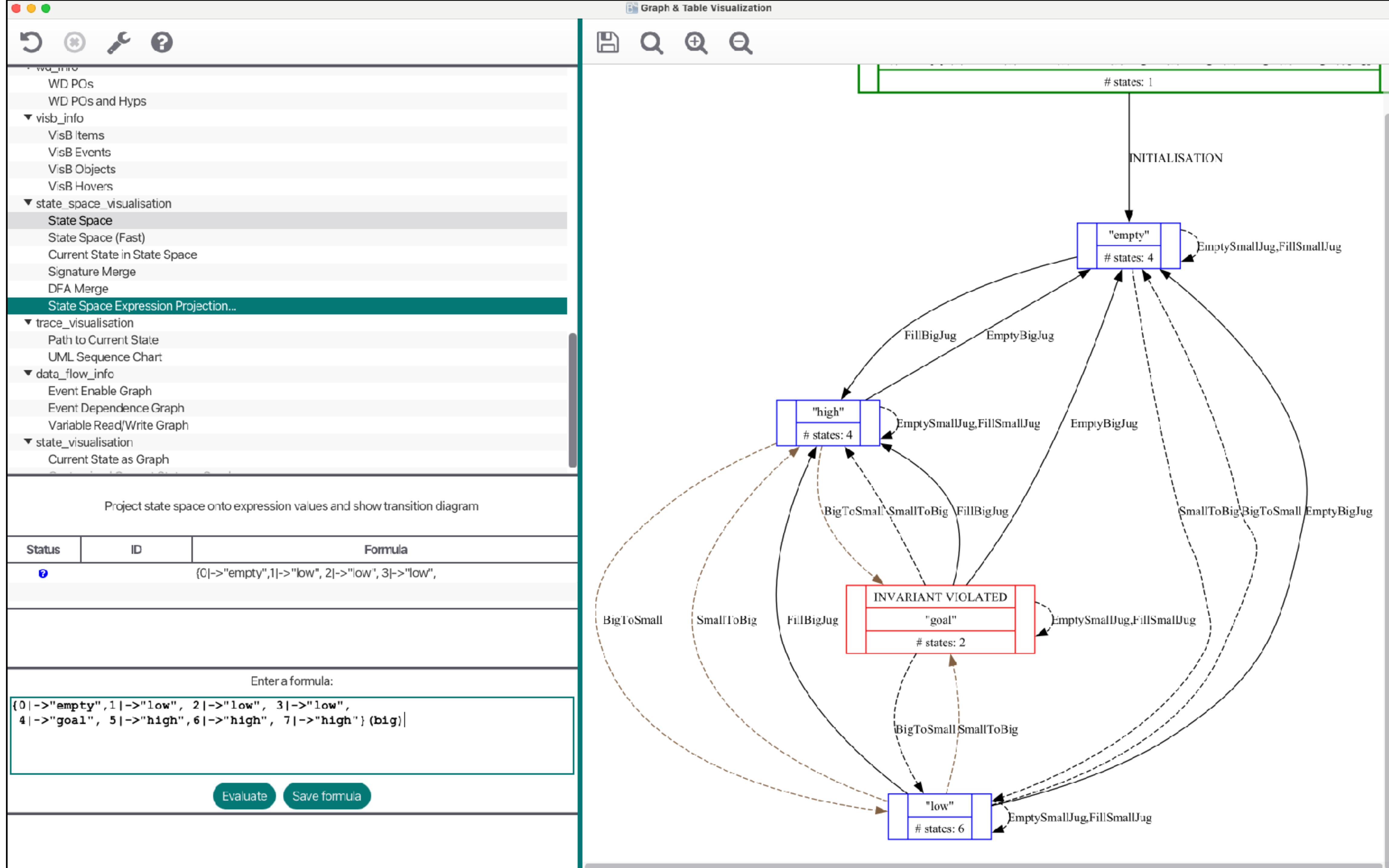


State Space Visualisation

Projection Diagrams

- Provide an expression, like
 - big
 - (big mod 2, small mod 2)
 - $\{0| \rightarrow \text{"empty"}, 1| \rightarrow \text{"low"}, 2| \rightarrow \text{"low"}, 3| \rightarrow \text{"low"}, 4| \rightarrow \text{"goal"}, 5| \rightarrow \text{"high"}, 6| \rightarrow \text{"high"}, 7| \rightarrow \text{"high"}\}(\text{big})$
 - and state space will be projected onto possible values of the expression





New B2SAT backend of ProB

cf talk at FM'24 tomorrow

- ProB has various constraint solvers
 - default Prolog solver based on CLP(FD) solver and custom boolean, set, relation solvers
 - Kodkod: translation to SAT via Kodkod relational logic API (cf Alloy)
 - SMT: CVC4/Z3 translations (axiomatic and constructive)
 - new B2SAT direct translation to SAT
- All solvers also in principle available for TLA+ models

State View

Edit



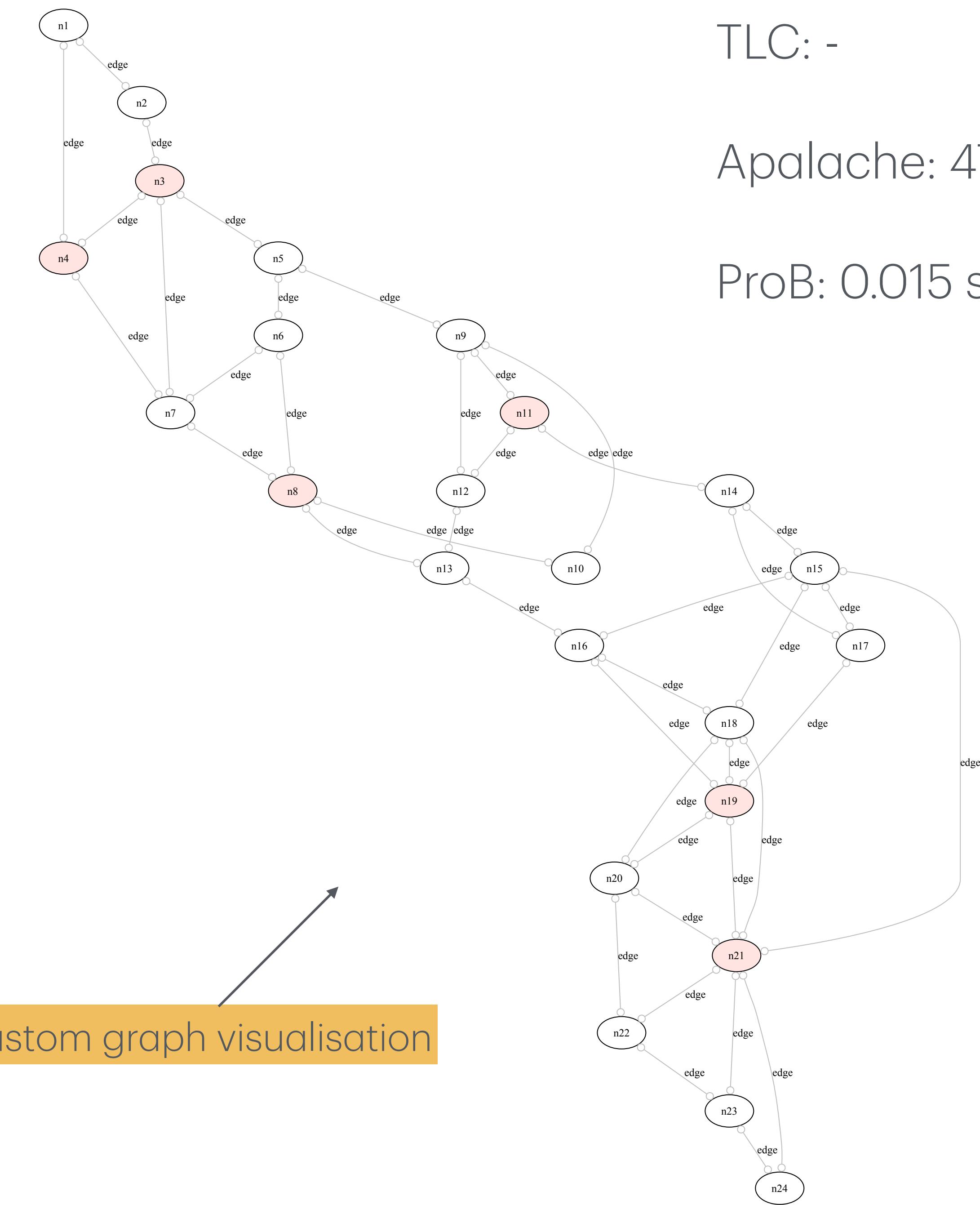
IceCream_...

```

1 ----- MODULE IceCream_Generic_cst -----
2 /* Dominating set puzzle:
3  * place ice cream vans so that every house (node) is
4  * at most one block away from a van
5 EXTENDS Naturals, FiniteSets
6 CONSTANTS n1, n2, n3, n4, n5, n6, n7, n8, n9, n10,
7   n11, n12, n13, n14, n15, n16, n17, n18, n19, n20,
8   n21, n22, n23, n24,
9   ice
10 VARIABLES vans
11 NODES == {n1, n2, n3, n4, n5, n6, n7, n8, n9, n10,
12   n11, n12, n13, n14, n15, n16, n17, n18, n19, n20,
13   n21, n22, n23, n24}
14 edge == {<<n1, n2>>, <<n1, n4>>, <<n2, n3>>,
15   <<n3, n4>>, <<n3, n5>>, <<n3, n7>>,
16   <<n4, n7>>, <<n5, n6>>, <<n5, n9>>,
17   <<n6, n7>>, <<n6, n8>>, <<n7, n8>>,
18   <<n8, n10>>, <<n8, n13>>,
19   <<n9, n10>>, <<n9, n11>>, <<n9, n12>>,
20   <<n11, n12>>, <<n11, n14>>, <<n12, n13>>,
21   <<n13, n16>>, <<n14, n15>>, <<n14, n17>>,
22   <<n15, n16>>, <<n15, n17>>, <<n15, n18>>, <<n15, n21>>,
23   <<n16, n18>>, <<n16, n19>>, <<n17, n19>>,
24   <<n18, n19>>, <<n18, n20>>, <<n18, n21>>,
25   <<n19, n20>>, <<n19, n21>>, <<n20, n21>>, <<n20, n22>>,
26   <<n21, n22>>, <<n21, n23>>, <<n21, n24>>,
27   <<n22, n23>>, <<n21, n24>>, <<n23, n24>>)}
28 DomSet == (\A x \in NODES :
29   (ice[x] = TRUE
30    \vee (\E nbour \in NODES :
31      ( <<nbour, x>> \in edge
32       \vee <<x, nbour>> \in edge)
33       \wedge ice[nbour] = TRUE)))
34 ASSUME ice \in [NODES -> BOOLEAN]
35   \wedge DomSet \wedge Cardinality({x \in (NODES): ice[x] = TRUE}) <= 6
36 Init ==
37   vans = Cardinality({x \in NODES : ice[x] = TRUE})
38 Invariant ==
39   vans \in (0 .. 10)
40 Next == UNCHANGED <<ice, vans>>
41
42 SET_PREF_TIME_OUT == 1500
43 SET_PREF_SOLVER_FOR_PROPERTIES == "sat"
44 CUSTOM_GRAPH == [layout |-> "dot", rankdir |-> "TB",
45   nodes |-> {[value |-> j, style |-> "filled",
46     fillcolor |-> (IF ice[j] = TRUE THEN "mistyrose" ELSE "white")]: j \in NODES},
47   edges |-> [color |-> "gray", arrowhead |-> "odot",
48     arrowtail |-> "odot", dir |-> "both",
49     label |-> "edge",
50     edges |-> edge]]
51 ====
52
53

```

Custom graph visualisation



TLC: -

Apalache: 47 secs

ProB: 0.015 secs

Playing Games

Tic-Tac-Toe TLA+ model

- VisB interactive visualisation
- MCTS Auto-Play

```
\* additions for ProB:  
VISB_JSON_FILE == "tictactoe_visb.json"  
GOAL == Won("O")  
\* the following Invariant is violated by this model  
INVARIANT == ~Won("O") \vee ~Won("X")  
\* additions for ProB so that we can apply MCTS auto play:  
GAME_MCTS_RUNS == 400  
GAME_PLAYER == IF nextTurn = "X" THEN "max" ELSE "min"  
GAME_OVER == IF Won("X") \vee Won("O") THEN TRUE ELSE FALSE  
GAME_VALUE == IF Won("X") THEN 1 ELSE 0
```

From:

<https://elliotswart.github.io/pragmaticformalmodeling/>

...

VARIABLES

board, * board[1..3][1..3] A 3x3 tic-tac-toe board
nextTurn * who goes next

Pieces == {"X", "O", "_" } * "_" represents a blank square

Init ==

* nextTurn = "X" * X always goes first
* Every space in the board states blank
* board = [i \in 1..3 |-> [j \in 1..3 |-> "_"]]

MoveO ==

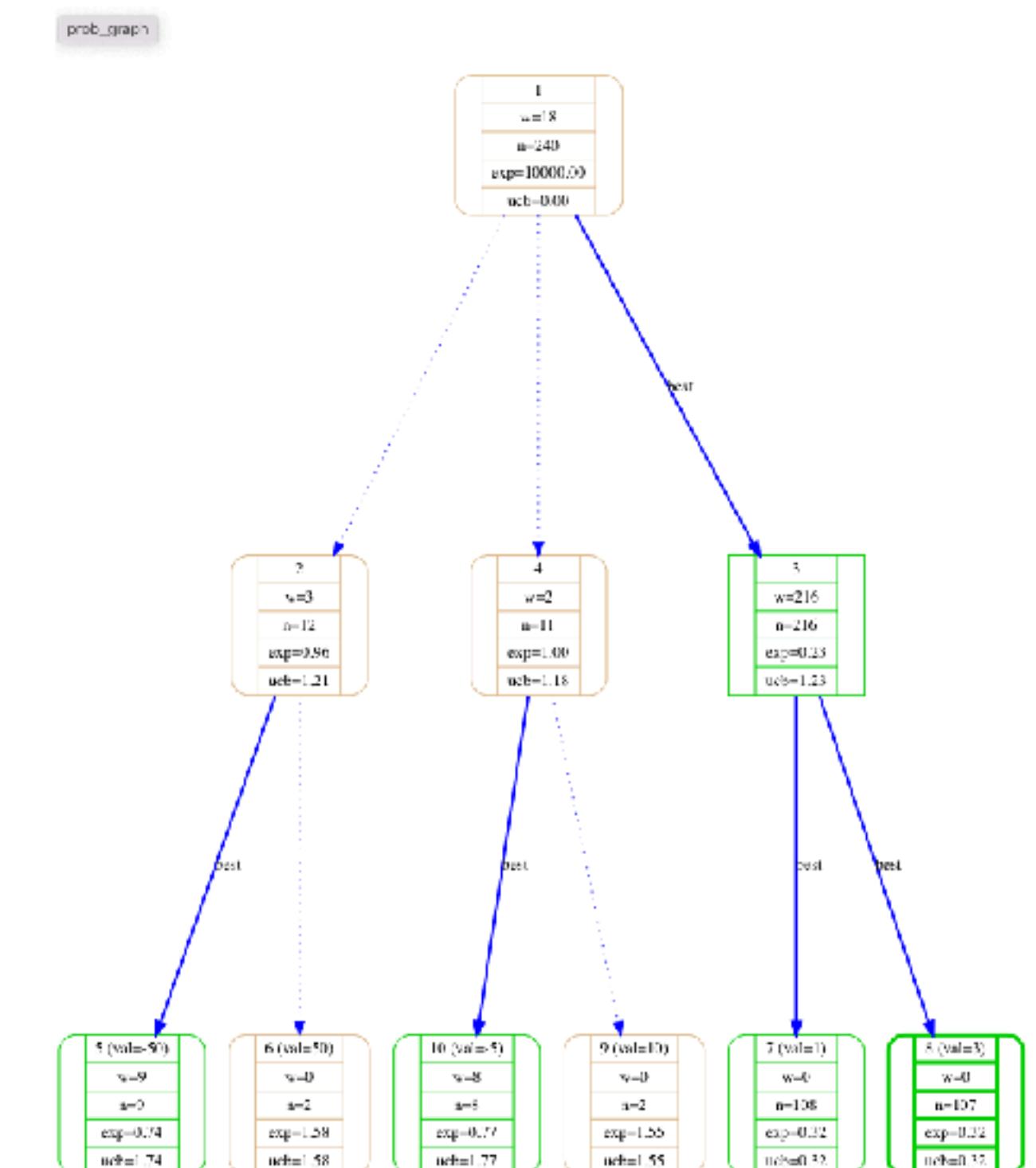
\E i \in 1..3: \E j \in 1..3: * There exists a position on the board
* nextTurn = "O" * Only enabled on player's turn
* nextTurn' = "X" * The future state of next turn is other player
* board[i][j] = "_" * Where the board is currently empty
(*****)
(* The future state of board is the same, except a piece is in that *)
(* spot *)
(*****)
* board' = [board EXCEPT
 ![i][j] = "O"]

...

MCTS Game Play

Monte-Carlo Tree Search

- You can ask ProB to choose next action based on MCTS
 - GAME_MCTS_RUNS == 100
 - GAME_PLAYER == IF nextTurn = "X" THEN "max" ELSE "min"
 - GAME_OVER == IF Won("X") ∨ Won("O") THEN TRUE ELSE FALSE
 - GAME_VALUE == IF Won("X") THEN 1 ELSE 0



Operations

State View Edit

Operations

- MoveX(i,j)
- MoveO(i=1,j=1)
- MoveO(i=1,j=3)

Reload Machine

TLA+ model

```

1 ----- MODULE tictactoe_v2 -----
2 (* taken from https://elliotswart.github.io/pragmaticformalmodeling,
3 (* version adapted for TLA2B so that we can have B-style operations
4 (* also contains GAME state definitions for ProB so that we can use
5 EXTENDS Naturals
6
7 VARIABLES
8   board, /* board[1..3][1..3] A 3x3 tic-tac-toe board
9   nextTurn /* who goes next
10
11 Pieces == ("X", "O", "_") /* "_" represents a blank square
12
13 Init ==
14   /\ nextTurn = "X" /* X always goes first
15   /* Every space in the board states blank
16   /\ board = [i \in 1..3 |-> [j \in 1..3 |-> "_"]]
17
18 MoveO ==
19   \x i \in 1..3: \x j \in 1..3: /* There exists a position on the
20   /\ nextTurn = "O" /* Only enabled on player's turn
21   /\ nextTurn' = "X" /* The future state of next turn is other
22   /\ board[i][j] = "_" /* Where the board is currently empty
23   (* ****
24   /* The future state of board is the same, except a piece is
25   (* spot

```

Visualisation

VisB State Visualisation

Animation

Replay Symbolic Test Case Generation

Status	Name	Steps
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	tictactoe_v2	8

Winner:

MCTS

Interactive Console

Everything is OK!

- Statistics (states 8 of 44)
- Verifications
- ▼ Project
- Machines Status Preferences Project
- + ▲ ↑ ↓ ?
- IceCream_Generic_cst
public_examples/B/B2SAT/other/IceCream_Generic_cst.tla
- prob_oneway8seq
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- prob_oneway8seq_tlc
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- tictactoe_v2
./JAVAPROB/visb-visualisation-examples/TicTacToe/tictactoe_v2.tla
- Einstein
./JAVAPROB/visb-visualisation-examples/Einstein/Einstein.tla
- Demo01_no_tlaps
public_examples/TLA/Reals/Demo01_no_tlaps.tla
- DieHard
./JAVAPROB/visb-visualisation-examples/Jars/DieHard.tla
- queens_20
./JAVAPROB/visb-visualisation-examples/N-Queens/queens_20.tla
- History (state 8 of 8)
- Position ▲ Transition
- | Position | Transition |
|----------|-----------------|
| 0 | --root-- |
| 1 | INITIALISATION |
| 2 | MoveX(i=2, j=2) |
| 3 | MoveO(i=3, j=1) |
| 4 | MoveX(i=3, j=2) |
| 5 | MoveO(i=1, j=2) |
| 6 | MoveX(i=2, j=1) |
| 7 | MoveO(i=2, j=3) |
| 8 | MoveX(i=3, j=3) |

Reals/Floats in ProB

Syntax in B

- New classical B keywords:

- $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$: **ceiling**(.), **floor**(.)

- $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$: **real**(.)

- and real literals

- Existing B operators work for \mathbb{R} :

- $+, -, *, /, \max, \min, \Sigma, \Pi$

- LibraryRealDefs provides many functions:

- RADD, RMINUS, ..., RSIN, RCOS,, RSQRT, RPOW, RLOG,

- RPI, REULER, RONE, RZERO

```
>>> SIGMA(x).(x:1..100|1.0/real(x))
```

```
5.187377517639621
```

```
>>> RSIN(RADIANS(90.0))
```

```
1.0
```

ProB Float Support

- Currently internally only floats supported
- Useful for VisB, Simulation, Controllers with floats and for “approximate” validation of models with reals
- preference REAL_SOLVER:
 - aggressive_float_solver,float_solver,none,**precise_float_solver**
 - precise_float_solver: default, tries to find exact solutions for 64-bit floats
 - aggressive_float_solver: does not check that solution is exact or the only one (similar to how CLP(Real) works in Prolog)
- Future: CLP(Q), Z3 support, real interval solver, ...

Jupyter
Notebook
Demo

TLA+ Example with Reals

- From NFM'24 article "Real Arithmetic in TLAPM" by Gunasekera et al.

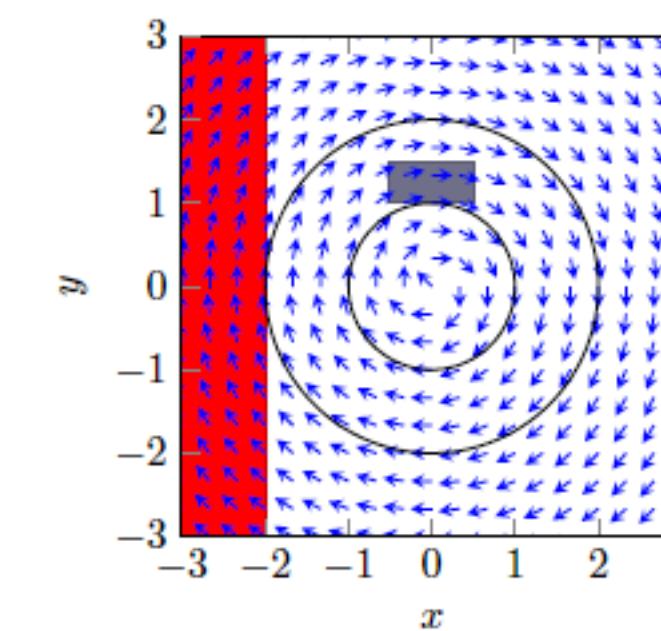
```
...
VARIABLES x, y
vars == << x, y >>

TypeInvariant == /\ x \in Real
                  /\ y \in Real

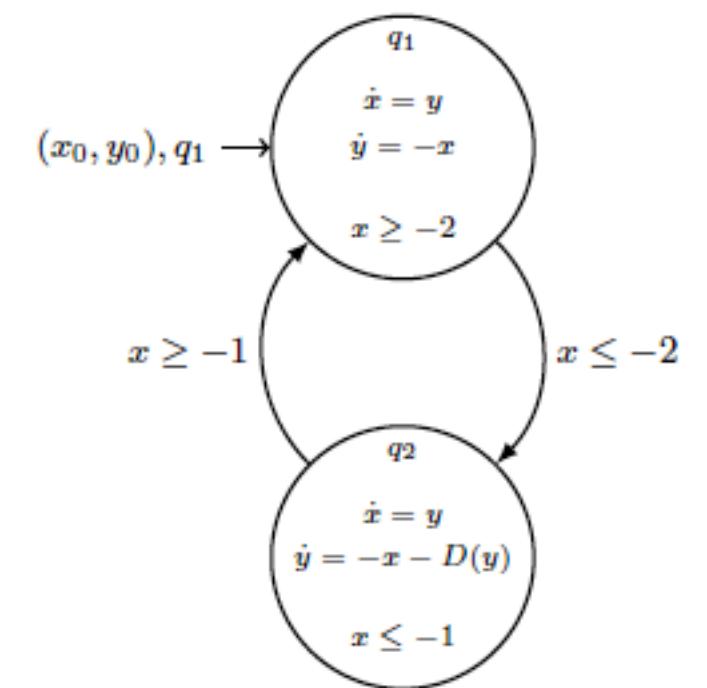
/* Initialise variables: x(0)^2 + y(0)^2 <= 1
Init == /\ x = 0.0
                  /\ y = 1.0

Next == /\ x' = (2.0 / 3.0) * x + 0.5 * y
                  /\ y' = 0.5 * x - (1.0 / 3.0) * y

Spec == Init /\ [] [Next]_vars /* /\ WF_vars(Next)
...
```

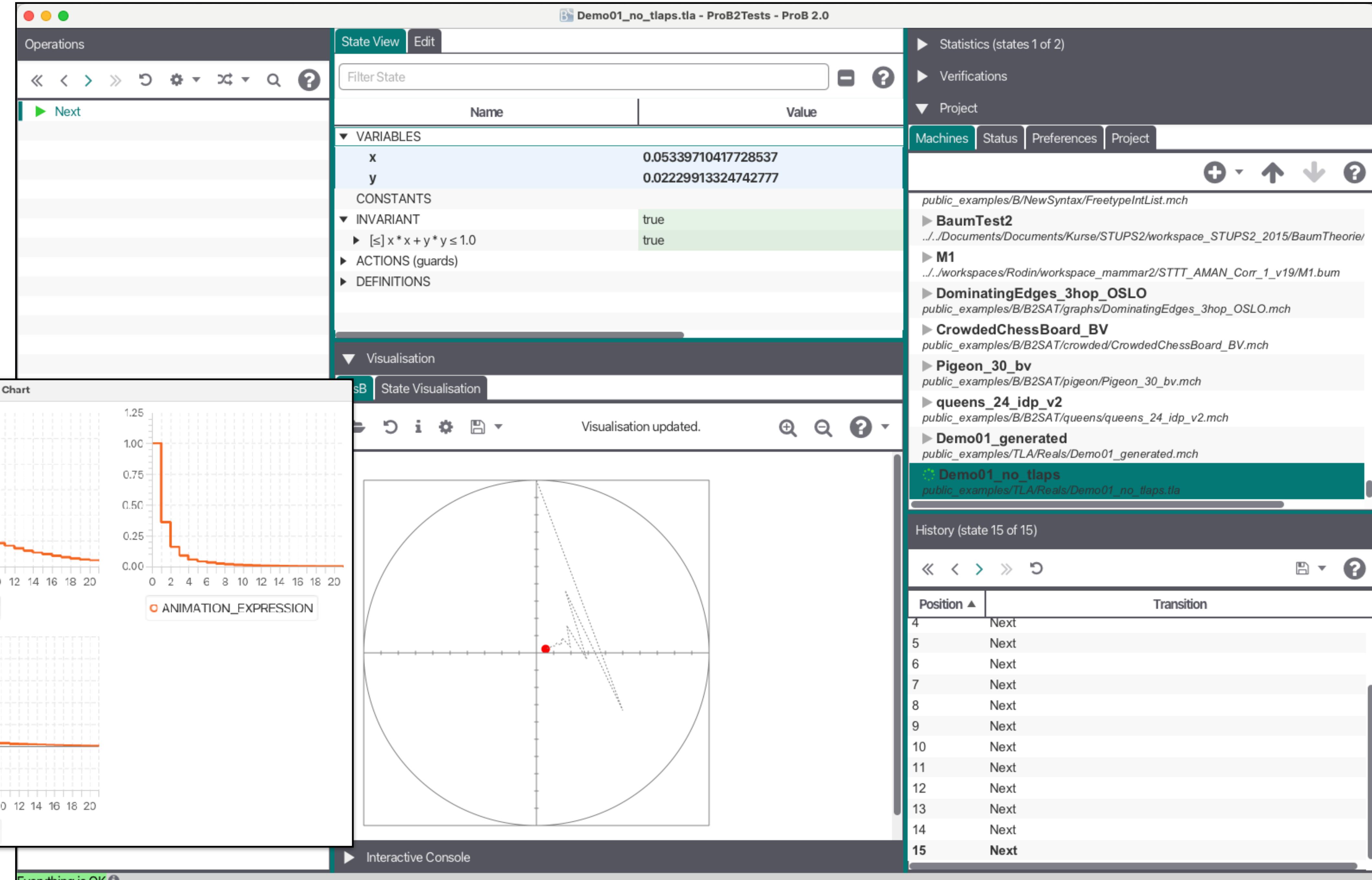


(a) Vector field (mode q_1)



(b) Hybrid automaton

Fig. 2: Hybrid system model of an oscillator



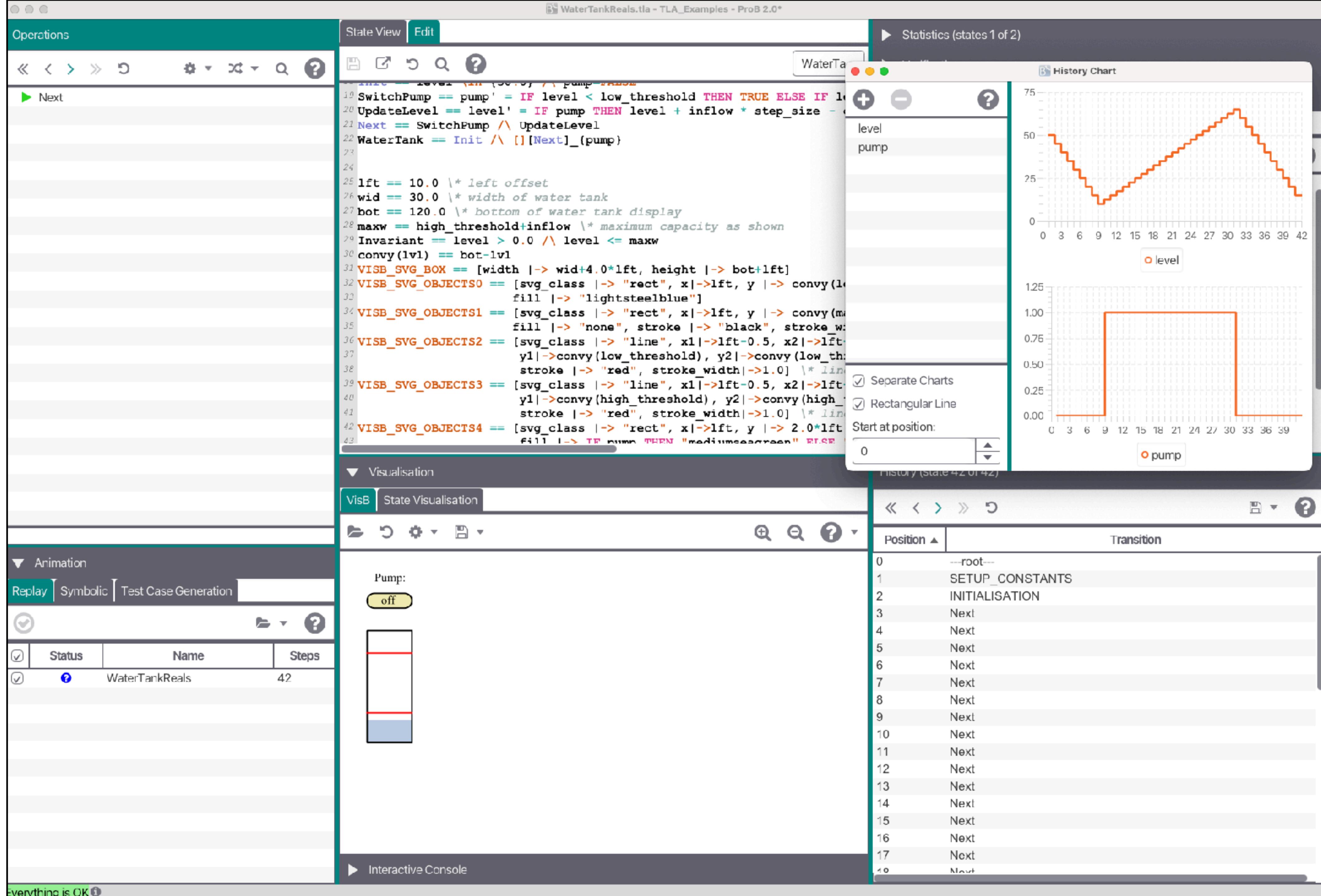
Another Example

Adapted Water Tank

- Using reals instead of integers
- With inlined VisB visualisation
(no JSON file)

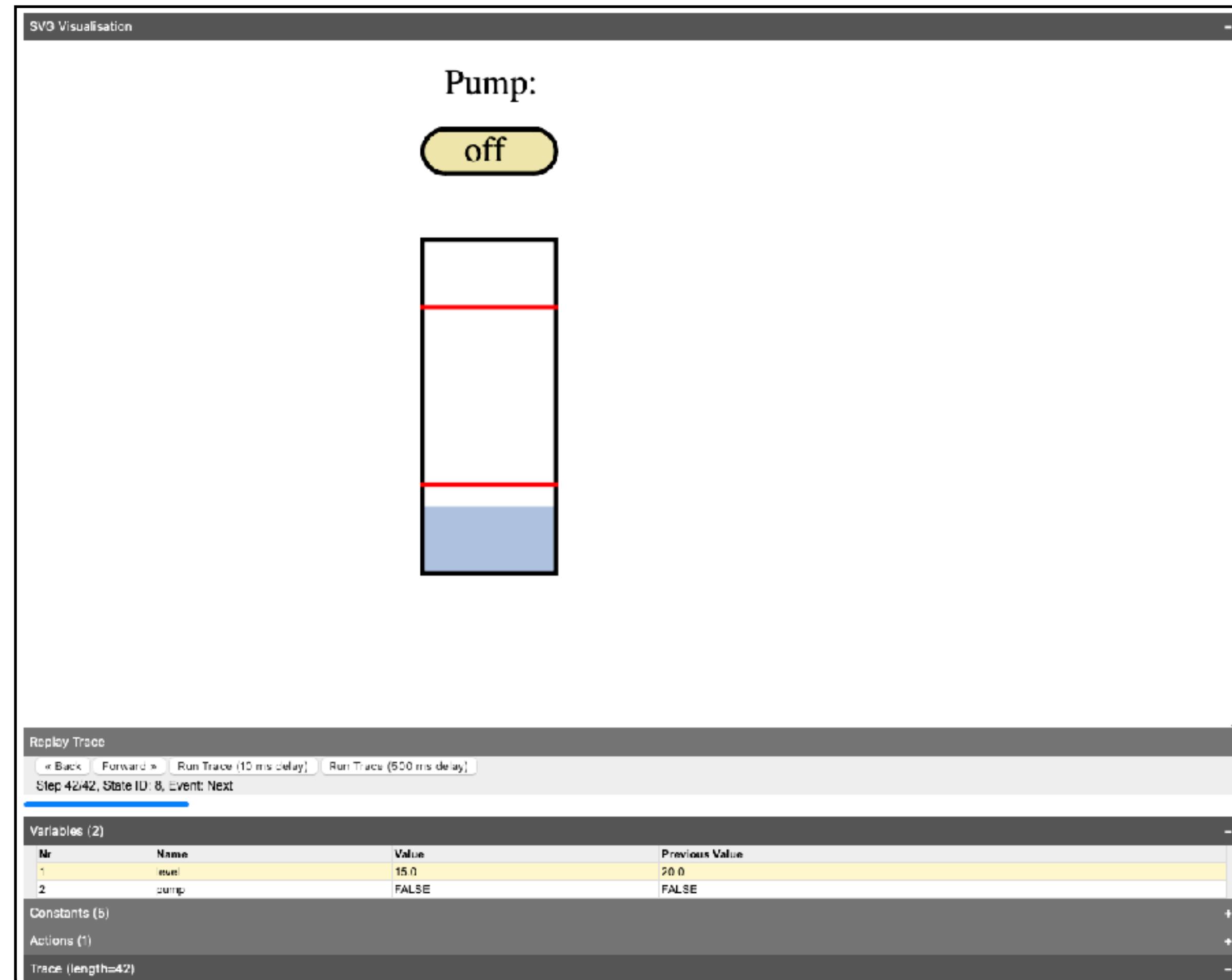
```
lft == 10.0 /* left offset
wid == 30.0 /* width of water tank
bot == 120.0 /* bottom of water tank display
maxw == high_threshold+inflow /* maximum capacity
Invariant == level > 0.0 /\ level <= maxw
convy(lvl) == bot-lvl
VISB_SVG_BOX == [width |-> wid+4.0*lft, height |-> bot+lft]
VISB_SVG_OBJECTS0 == [svg_class |-> "rect", x|->lft,
                      y |-> convy(level), height |-> level, width |-> wid,
                      fill |-> "lightsteelblue"]
...
...
```

```
----- MODULE WaterTankReals -----
EXTENDS Naturals, Reals
CONSTANTS
  low_threshold,
  high_threshold,
  (@ unit s *) step_size,
  (@ unit m**3 / s *) outflow,
  inflow
ASSUME
  /\ low_threshold = 20.0
  /\ high_threshold = 60.0
  /\ outflow = 10.0
  /\ inflow = 15.0
  /\ step_size = 0.5
VARIABLES
  pump,
  level
Init == level \in {50.0} /\ pump=FALSE
SwitchPump == pump' = IF level < low_threshold THEN TRUE ELSE
                           IF level > high_threshold THEN FALSE ELSE pump
UpdateLevel == level' = IF pump THEN level + inflow * step_size - outflow * step_size
                           ELSE level - outflow * step_size
Next == SwitchPump /\ UpdateLevel
WaterTank == Init /\ [][]Next}_{pump}
```



HTML Export of Trace

stand-alone HTML file, can be opened without ProB in browser



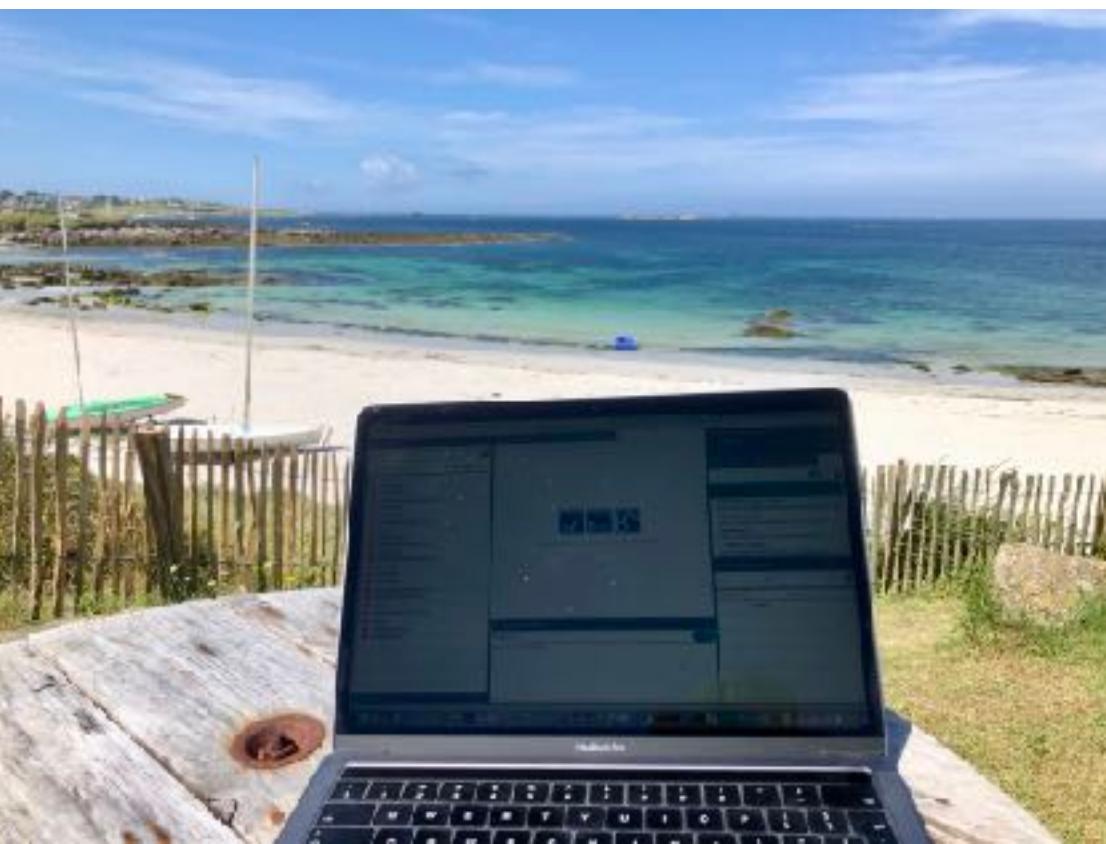
Conclusion

ProB and TLA+

- TLC available as improved backend for B models
- TLA+ support in ProB
 - improvements: new SANY version, REAL, add CUSTOM_GRAPH/VISB definitions
 - Interactive Animation
 - Visualisation
 - Constraint Solving
 - Looking for ways to extend support for larger subset of TLA+

<https://prob.hhu.de/w/index.php?title=TLA>

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