

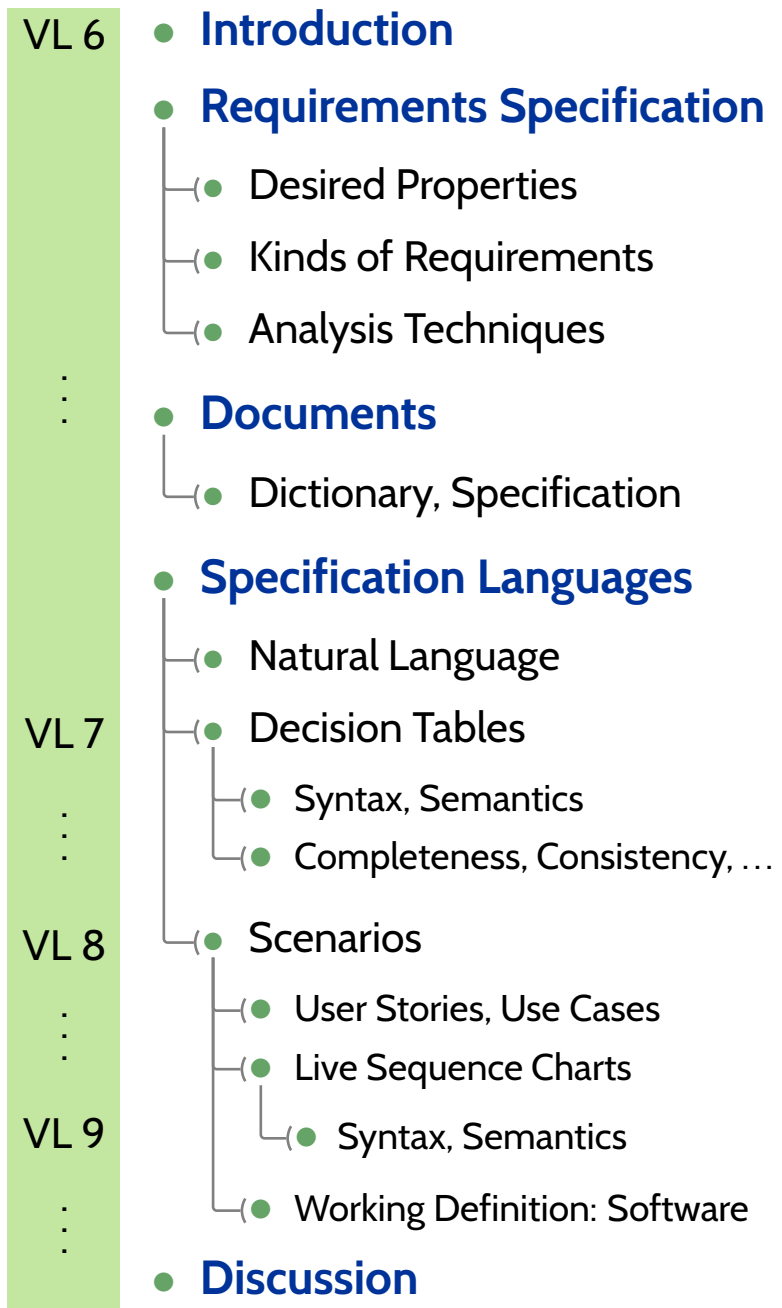
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Lecture 9: Live Sequence Charts

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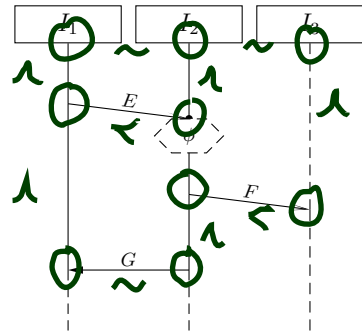
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 - Automaton Construction
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 - Requirements Engineering, formally
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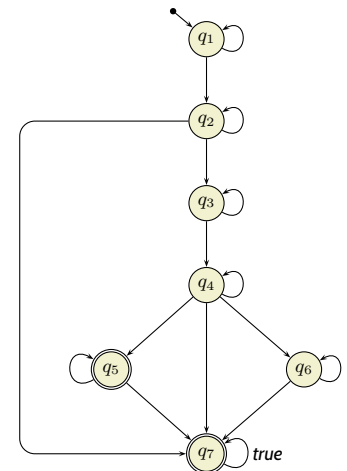
LSC Semantics

The Plan: A Formal Semantics for a Visual Formalism



concrete syntax
(diagram)

Locations (ℓ, E, e')
 $((\mathcal{L}, \preceq, \sim), \mathcal{I}, \text{Msg}, \text{Cond}, \text{LocInv}, \Theta)$
abstract syntax



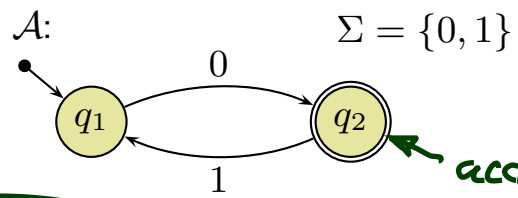
semantics
(Büchi automaton)

Excursion: Symbolic Büchi Automata

From Finite Automata to Symbolic Büchi Automata

$$\mathcal{L}(B) \subseteq \Sigma^\omega$$

Finite Automaton



one or more

$$\mathcal{L}(A) = (01)^+ 0$$

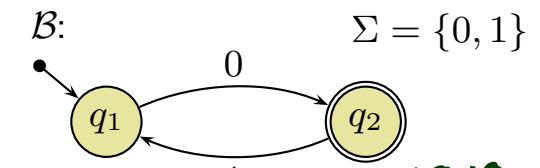
not quite...
= $0(10)^*$

accepting

$$\mathcal{L}(A) \subseteq \Sigma^*$$

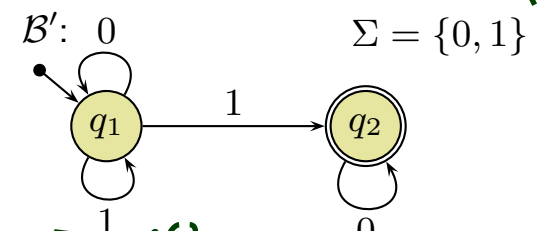
$w = 000$
 $w = 01$

Büchi infinite words



$$\mathcal{L}(B) = 0(10)^\omega$$

$w = 01010\dots \in \mathcal{L}(B)$
 $w = 000\dots \notin \mathcal{L}(B)$

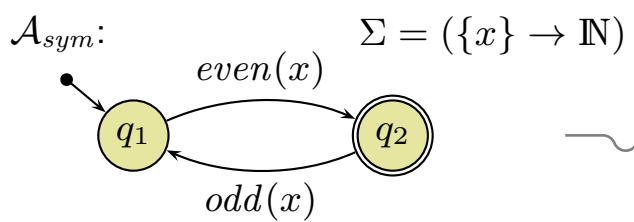


$$\mathcal{L}(B') = [011]^+ 10^\omega$$

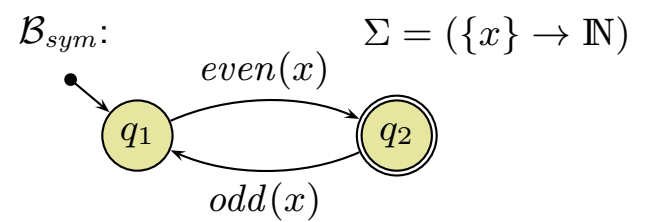
$w = 010^\omega$

symbolic

symbolic



Büchi infinite words



$w = (x=2)(x=5)(x=4)(x=7) \notin \mathcal{L}(A_{sym})$
 $w' = (x=2)(x=5)(x=4) \in \mathcal{L}(A_{sym})$

Definition. A **Symbolic Büchi Automaton** (TBA) is a tuple

$$\mathcal{B} = (\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}}, Q, q_{ini}, \rightarrow, Q_F)$$

where

- $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}}$ is a set of atomic propositions,
 - Q is a finite set of **states**,
 - $q_{ini} \in Q$ is the initial state,
 - $\rightarrow \subseteq Q \times \Phi(\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}}) \times Q$ is the finite **transition relation**.
- Each transitions $(q, \psi, q') \in \rightarrow$ from state q to state q' is labelled with a formula $\psi \in \Phi(\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}})$.
- $Q_F \subseteq Q$ is the set of **fair** (or accepting) states.

expressions over $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}}$

Run of TBA

Definition. Let $\mathcal{B} = (\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}}, Q, q_{ini}, \rightarrow, Q_F)$ be a TBA and

$$w = \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \dots \in (\Phi(\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}} \rightarrow \mathbb{B})^\omega$$

boolean (pointing to \mathbb{B})
infinite seq. (pointing to $^\omega$)

an infinite word, each letter is a valuation of $\Phi(\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}})$.

An infinite sequence

$$\rho = q_0, q_1, q_2, \dots \in Q^\omega$$

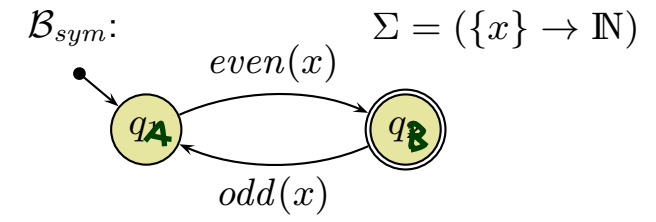
of states is called **run** of \mathcal{B} over w if and only if

- $q_0 = q_{ini}$,
- for each $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ there is a transition $(q_i, \psi_i, q_{i+1}) \in \rightarrow$ s.t. $\sigma_i \models \psi_i$.

$$w = (x=2)(x=5)(x=4)^\omega$$

$$\rho = q_A, q_B, q_A, q_B, \dots$$

Example:



The Language of a TBA

Definition.

We say TBA $\mathcal{B} = (\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}}, Q, q_{ini}, \rightarrow, Q_F)$ **accepts** the word

$$w = (\sigma_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}_0} \in (\Phi(\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}}) \rightarrow \mathbb{B})^\omega$$

if and only if \mathcal{B} **has** a run

$$\varrho = (q_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}_0}$$

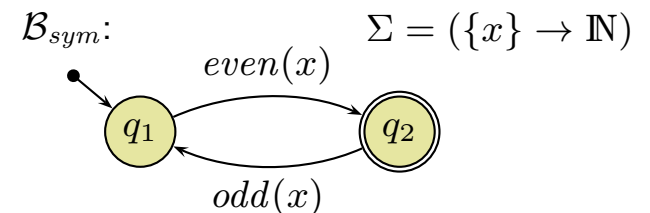
over w such that

fair (or accepting) states are **visited infinitely often** by ϱ , i.e., such that

$$\forall i \in \mathbb{N}_0 \exists j > i : q_j \in Q_F.$$

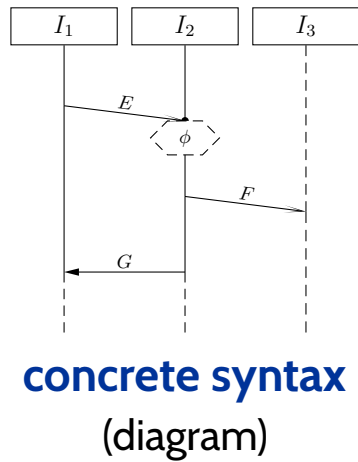
We call the set $Lang(\mathcal{B}) \subseteq (\Phi(\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}}) \rightarrow \mathbb{B})^\omega$ of words that are accepted by \mathcal{B} the **language of \mathcal{B}** .

Example:

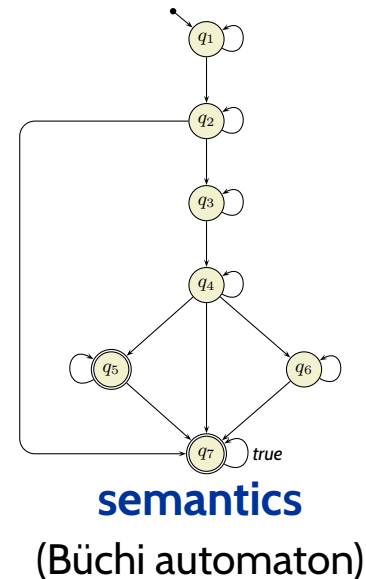


LSC Semantics: TBA Construction

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$((\mathcal{L}, \preceq, \sim), \mathcal{I}, \text{Msg}, \text{Cond}, \text{LocInv}, \Theta)$
abstract syntax



LSC Semantics: It's in the Cuts!

$\{I_1, \dots, I_n\}$

Definition. Let $((\mathcal{L}, \preceq, \sim), \mathcal{I}, \text{Msg}, \text{Cond}, \text{LocInv}, \Theta)$ be an LSC body.

A non-empty set $\emptyset \neq C \subseteq \mathcal{L}$ is called a **cut** of the LSC body iff C

- is **downward closed**, i.e.

$$\forall l, l' \in \mathcal{L} \bullet l' \in C \wedge l \preceq l' \implies l \in C,$$

- is **closed** under **simultaneity**, i.e.

$$\forall l, l' \in \mathcal{L} \bullet l' \in C \wedge l \sim l' \implies l \in C, \text{ and}$$

- comprises at least **one location per instance line**, i.e.

$$\forall I \in \mathcal{I} \bullet C \cap I \neq \emptyset.$$

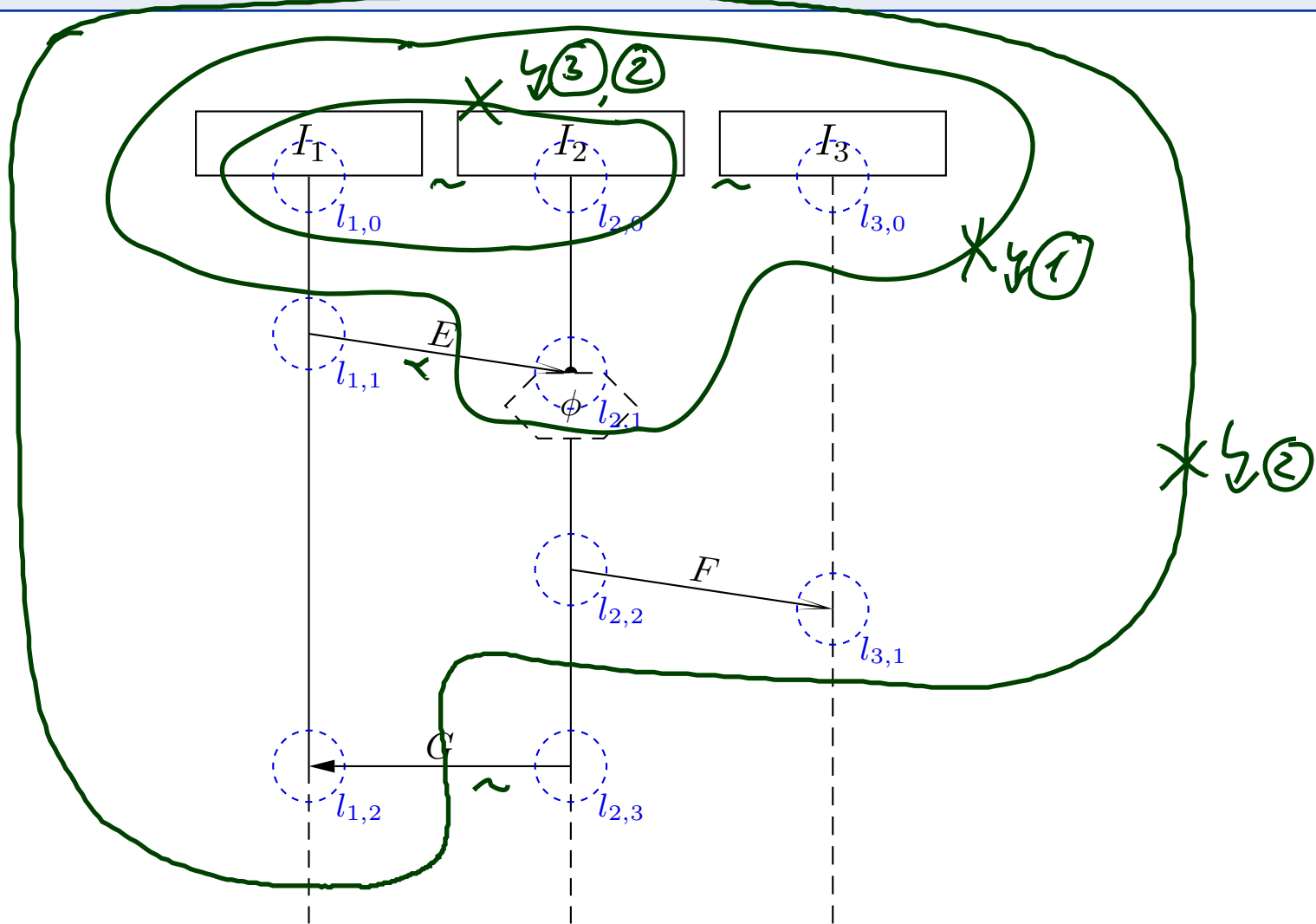
The temperature function is extended to cuts as follows:

$$\Theta(C) = \begin{cases} \text{hot} & , \text{ if } \exists l \in C \bullet (\nexists l' \in C \bullet l \prec l') \wedge \Theta(l) = \text{hot} \\ \text{cold} & , \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

that is, C is **hot** if and only if at least one of its maximal elements is hot.

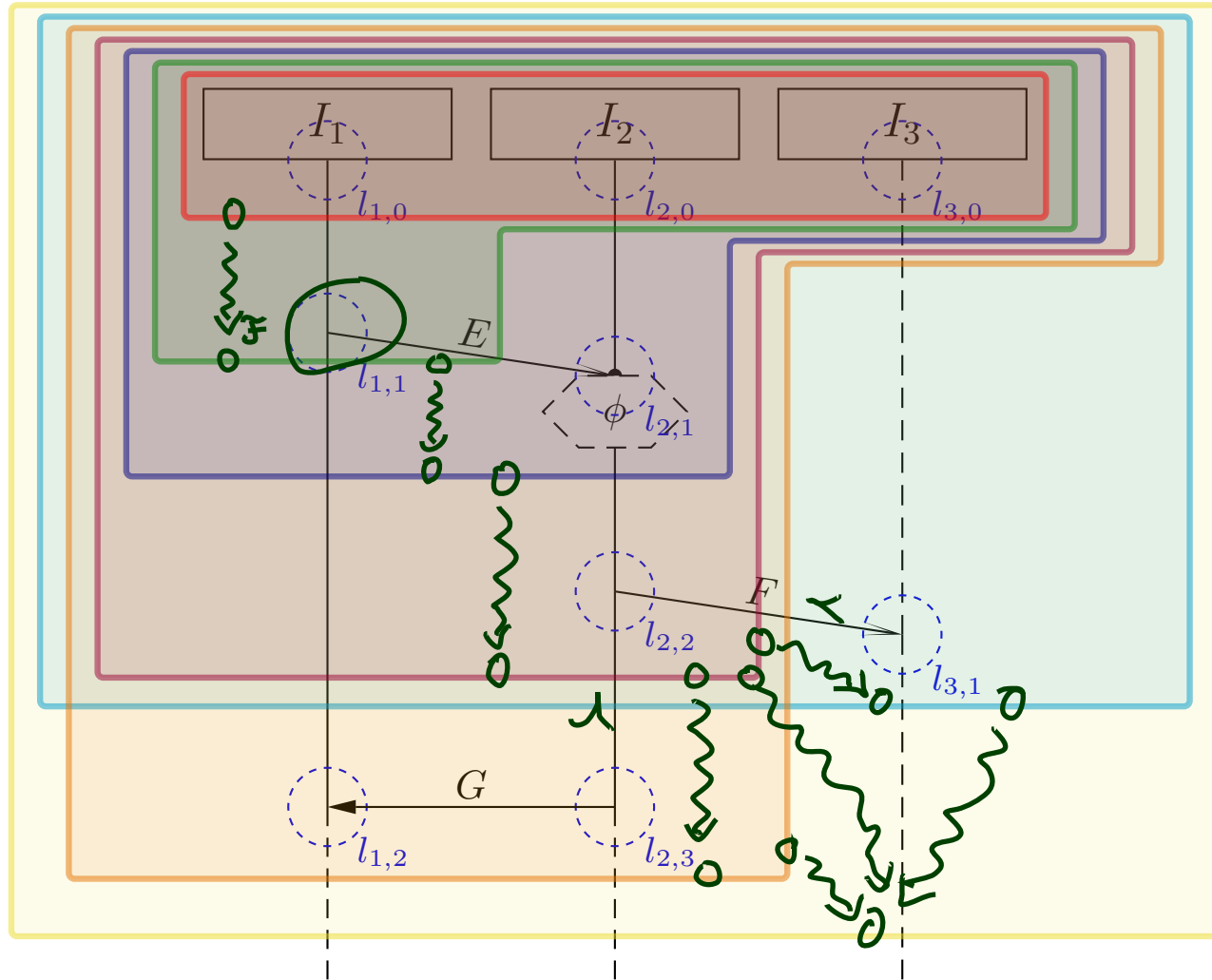
Cut Examples

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A Successor Relation on Cuts

The partial order “ \preceq ” and the simultaneity relation “ \sim ” of locations induce a **direct successor relation** on cuts of an LSC body as follows:

Definition.

Let $C \subseteq \mathcal{L}$ be a cut of LSC body $((\mathcal{L}, \preceq, \sim), \mathcal{I}, \text{Msg}, \text{Cond}, \text{LocInv}, \Theta)$.

A set $\emptyset \neq \mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{L}$ of locations is called **fired-set** \mathcal{F} of cut C if and only if

- $C \cap \mathcal{F} = \emptyset$ and $C \cup \mathcal{F}$ is a cut, i.e. \mathcal{F} is closed under simultaneity,
- all locations in \mathcal{F} are **direct \prec -successors** of the front of C , i.e.

$$\forall l \in \mathcal{F} \exists l' \in C \bullet l' \prec l \wedge (\nexists l'' \in C \bullet l' \prec l''),$$

- locations in \mathcal{F} , that lie on the same instance line, are **pairwise unordered**, i.e.

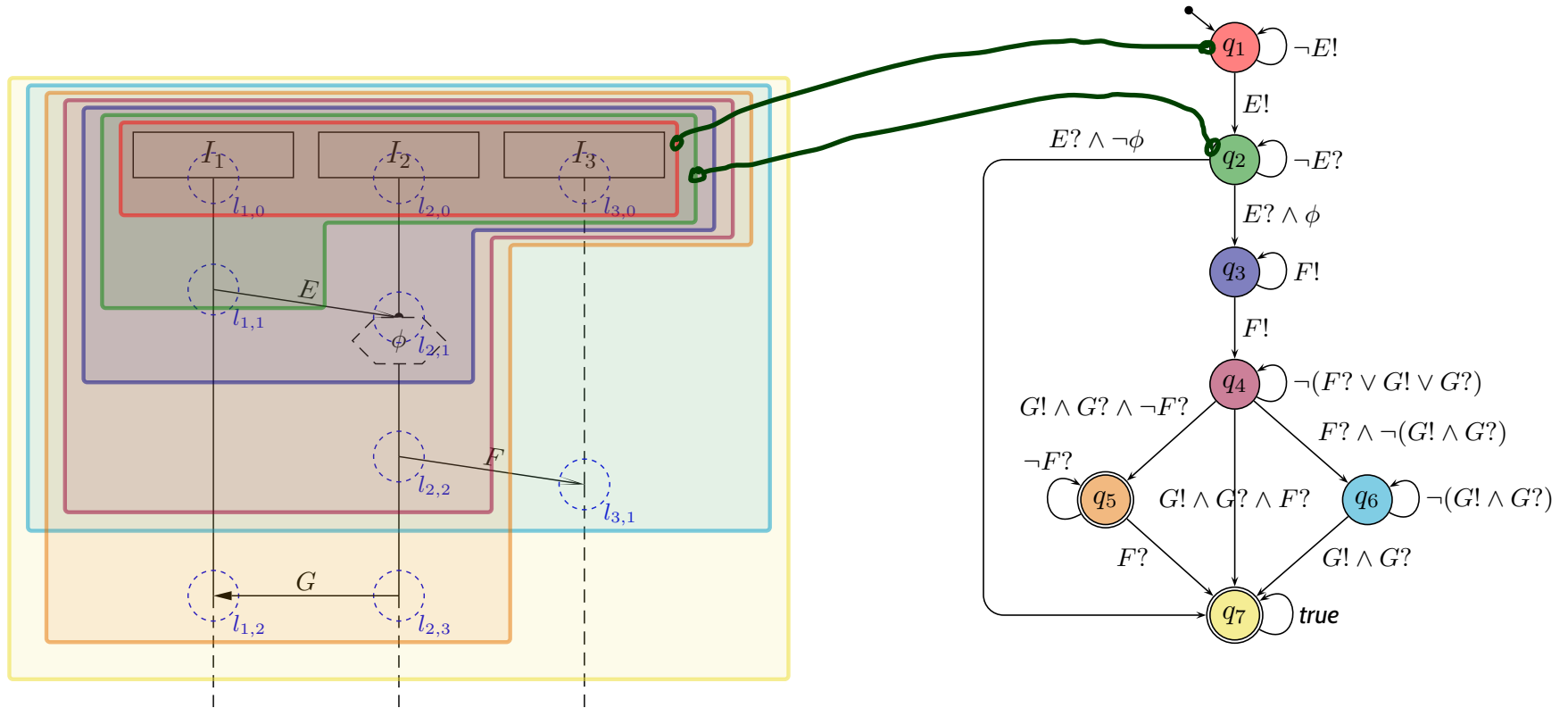
$$\forall l \neq l' \in \mathcal{F} \bullet (\exists I \in \mathcal{I} \bullet \{l, l'\} \subseteq I) \implies l \not\prec l' \wedge l' \not\prec l,$$

- for each **asynchronous** message reception in \mathcal{F} , the corresponding **sending is already in C** ,

$$\forall (l, E, l') \in \text{Msg} \bullet l' \in \mathcal{F} \implies l \in C.$$

The cut $C' = C \cup \mathcal{F}$ is called **direct successor of C via \mathcal{F}** , denoted by $C \rightsquigarrow_{\mathcal{F}} C'$.

Language of LSC Body: Example



The TBA $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{L})$ of LSC \mathcal{L} over \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{E} is $(\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}}, Q, q_{ini}, \rightarrow, Q_F)$ with

- $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}} = \mathcal{C} \dot{\cup} \mathcal{E}_{!?}$, where $\mathcal{E}_{!?} = \{E!, E? \mid E \in \mathcal{E}\}$,
- Q is the set of cuts of \mathcal{L} , q_{ini} is the instance heads cut,
- \rightarrow consists of loops, progress transitions (from $\rightsquigarrow_{\mathcal{F}}$), and legal exits (cold cond./local inv.),
- $Q_F = \{C \in Q \mid \Theta(C) = \text{cold} \vee C = \mathcal{L}\}$ is the set of cold cuts and the maximal cut.

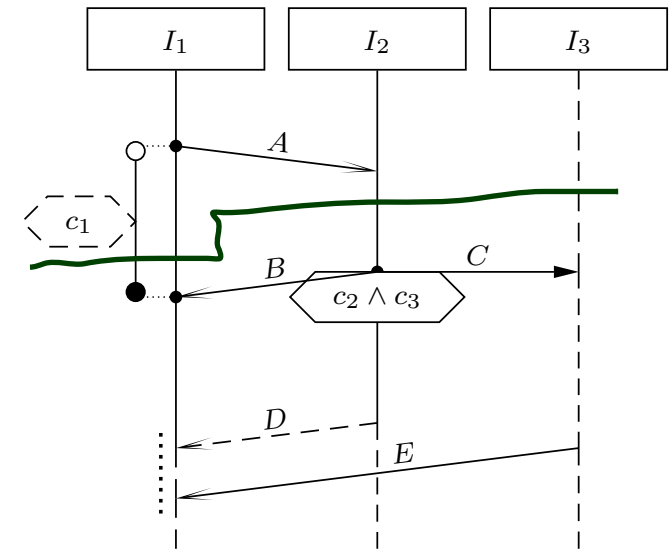
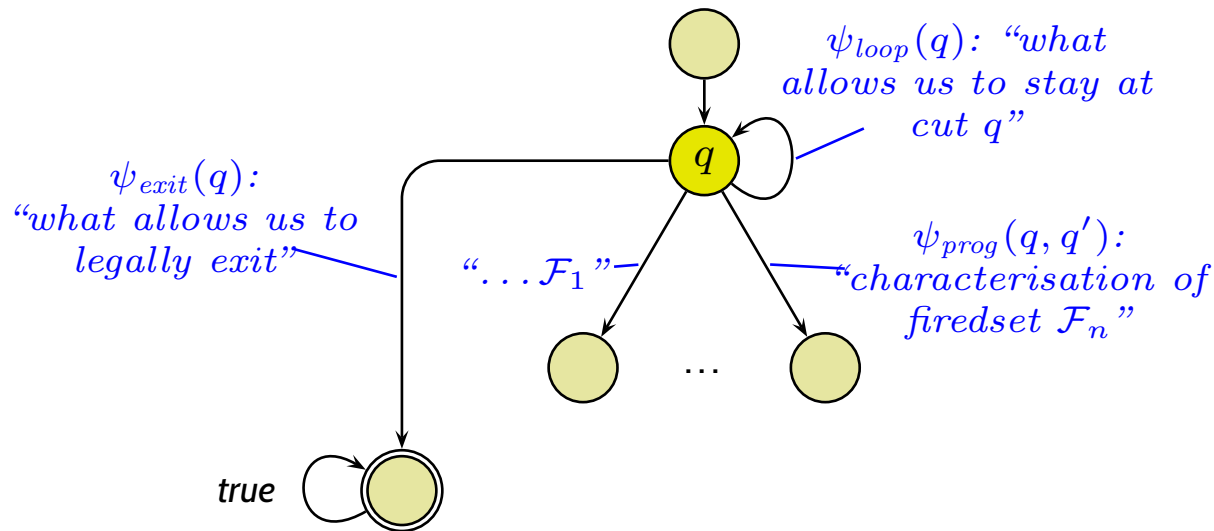
TBA Construction Principle

Recall: The TBA $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{L})$ of LSC \mathcal{L} is $(\mathcal{C}, Q, q_{ini}, \rightarrow, Q_F)$ with

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So in the following, we “only” need to construct the transitions’ labels:

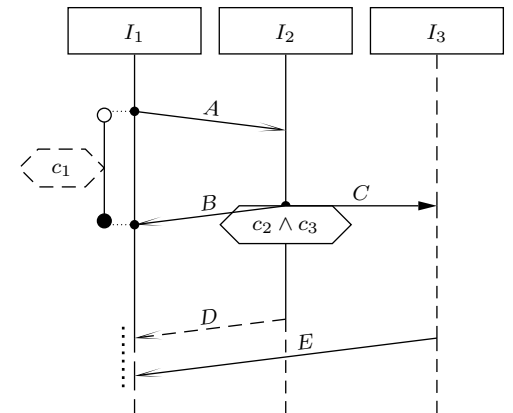
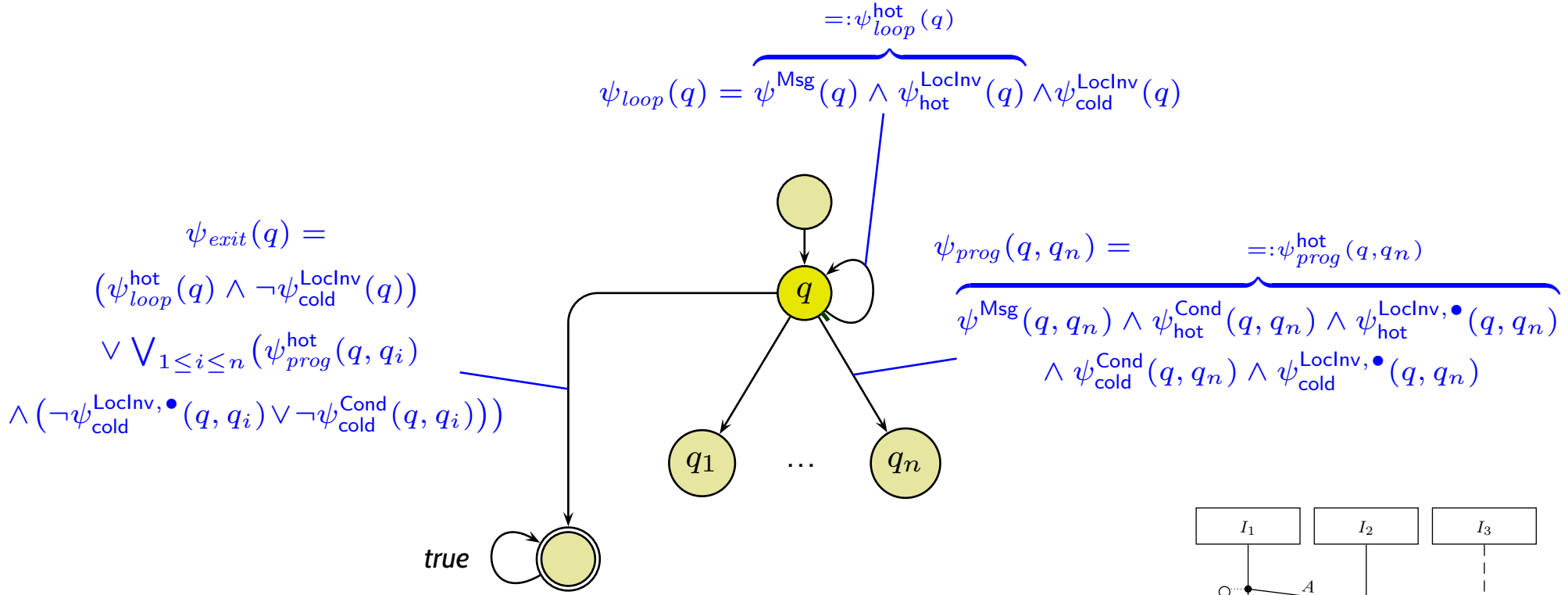
$$\rightarrow = \{(q, \psi_{loop}(q), q) \mid q \in Q\} \cup \{(q, \psi_{prog}(q, q'), q') \mid q \rightsquigarrow_{\mathcal{F}} q'\} \cup \{(q, \psi_{exit}(q), \mathcal{L}) \mid q \in Q\}$$



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Loop Condition

$$\psi_{loop}(q) = \psi^{Msg}(q) \wedge \psi_{hot}^{LocInv}(q) \wedge \psi_{cold}^{LocInv}(q)$$

- $$\psi^{Msg}(q) = \neg \bigvee_{1 \leq i \leq n} \psi^{Msg}(q, q_i) \wedge \underbrace{\left(\text{strict} \implies \bigwedge_{\psi \in \mathcal{E}_{!} \cap \text{Msg}(\mathcal{L})} \neg \psi \right)}_{=: \psi_{strict}(q)}$$

- $$\psi_{\theta}^{LocInv}(q) = \bigwedge_{\ell = (l, \iota, \phi, l', \iota') \in \text{LocInv}, \Theta(\ell) = \theta, \ell \text{ active at } q} \phi$$

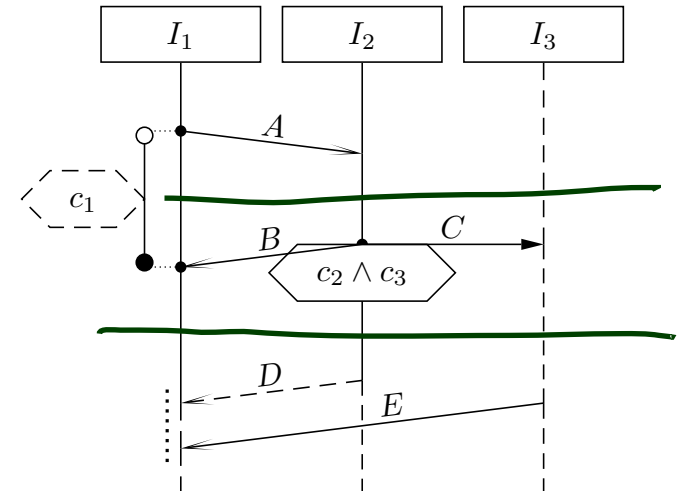
A location l is called **front location** of cut C if and only if $\nexists l' \in \mathcal{L} \bullet l \prec l'$.

Local invariant $(l_0, \iota_0, \phi, l_1, \iota_1)$ is **active** at cut (!) q

if and only if $l_0 \preceq l \prec l_1$ for some front location l of cut q or $l = l_1 \wedge \iota_1 = \bullet$.

- $$\text{Msg}(\mathcal{F}) = \{E! \mid (l, E, l') \in \text{Msg}, l \in \mathcal{F}\} \cup \{E? \mid (l, E, l') \in \text{Msg}, l' \in \mathcal{F}\}$$

- $$\text{Msg}(\mathcal{F}_1, \dots, \mathcal{F}_n) = \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq n} \text{Msg}(\mathcal{F}_i)$$



Progress Condition

$$\psi_{prog}^{hot}(q, q_i) = \psi^{Msg}(q, q_n) \wedge \psi_{hot}^{Cond}(q, q_n) \wedge \psi_{hot}^{LocInv, \bullet}(q_n)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \quad \psi^{Msg}(q, q_i) &= \bigwedge_{\psi \in Msg(q_i \setminus q)} \psi \wedge \bigwedge_{j \neq i} \bigwedge_{\psi \in (Msg(q_j \setminus q) \setminus Msg(q_i \setminus q))} \neg \psi \\ &\quad \wedge \underbrace{\left(\text{strict} \implies \bigwedge_{\psi \in (\mathcal{E}_{!} \cap Msg(\mathcal{L})) \setminus Msg(\mathcal{F}_i)} \neg \psi \right)}_{=: \psi_{strict}(q, q_i)} \end{aligned}$$

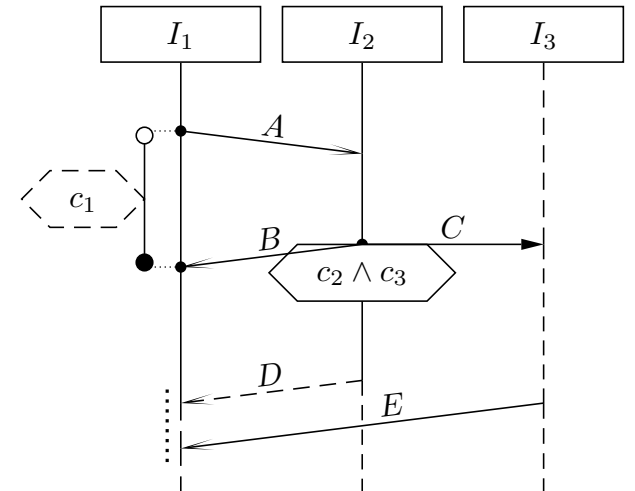
$$\bullet \quad \psi_{\theta}^{Cond}(q, q_i) = \bigwedge_{\gamma=(L, \phi) \in Cond, \Theta(\gamma)=\theta, L \cap (q_i \setminus q) \neq \emptyset} \phi$$

$$\bullet \quad \psi_{\theta}^{LocInv, \bullet}(q, q_i) = \bigwedge_{\lambda=(l, \iota, \phi, l', \iota') \in LocInv, \Theta(\lambda)=\theta, \lambda \bullet\text{-active at } q_i} \phi$$

Local invariant $(l_0, \iota_0, \phi, l_1, \iota_1)$ is **•-active** at q if and only if

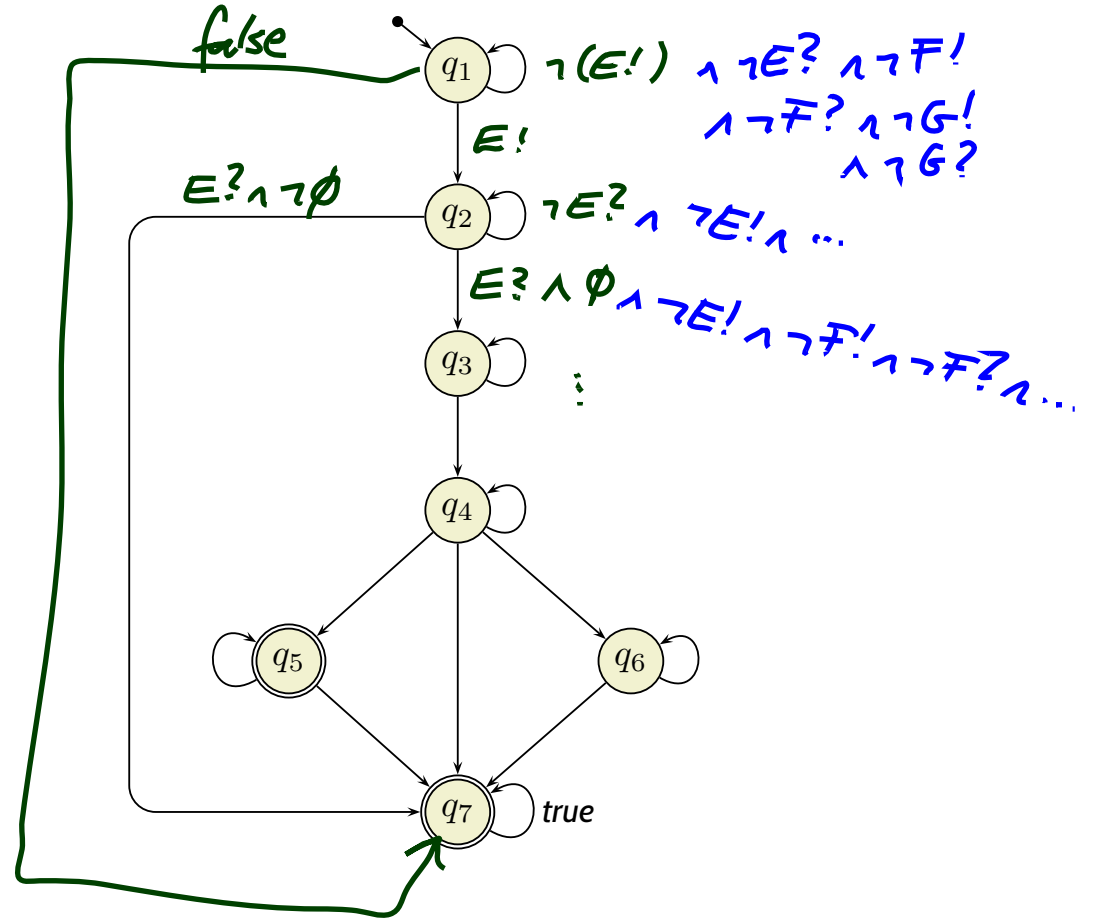
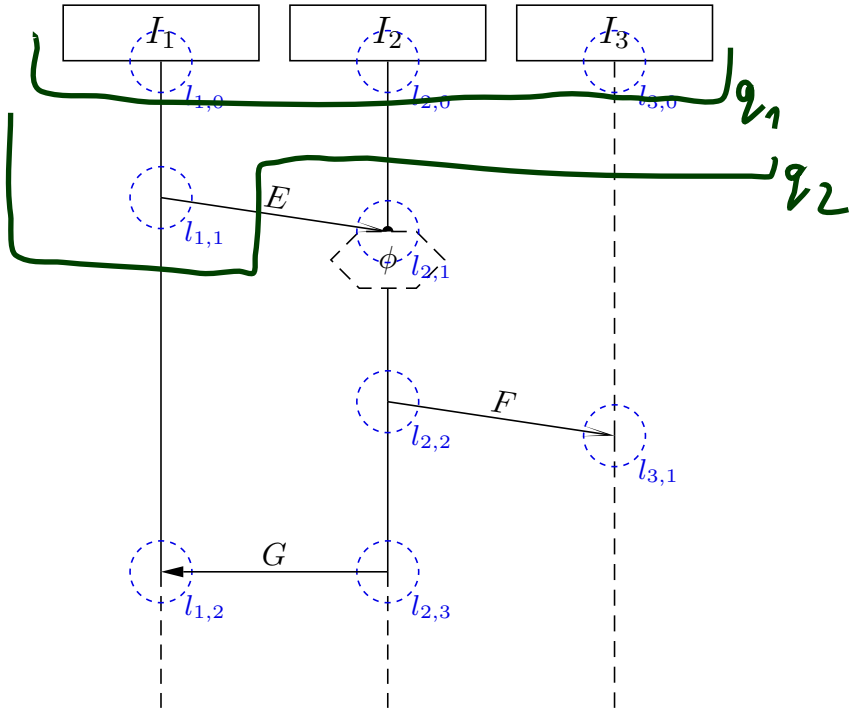
- $l_0 \prec l \prec l_1$, or
- $l = l_0 \wedge \iota_0 = \bullet$, or
- $l = l_1 \wedge \iota_1 = \bullet$

for some front location l of cut (!) q .



Example

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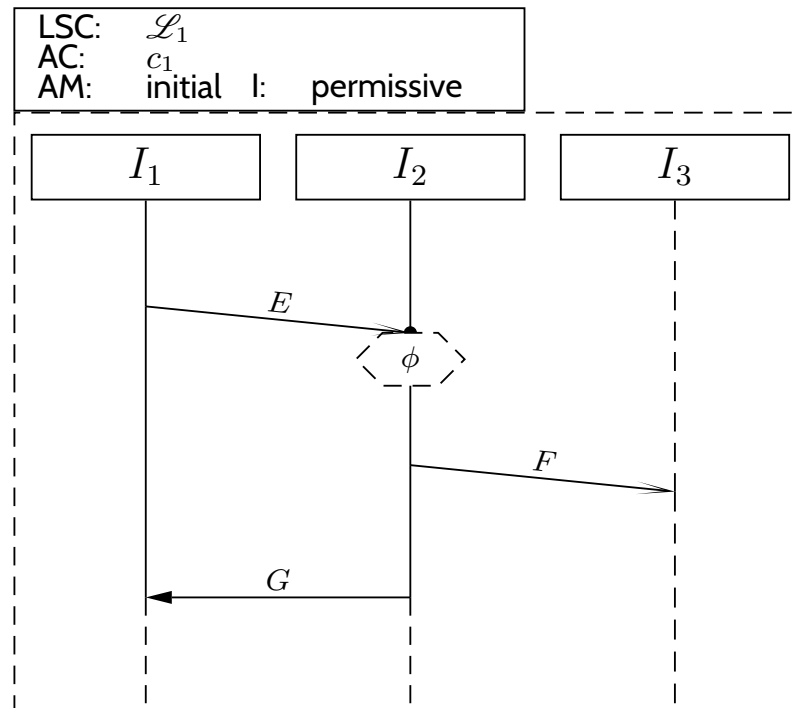


Full LSCs

A **full LSC** $\mathcal{L} = (((\mathcal{L}, \preceq, \sim), \mathcal{I}, \text{Msg}, \text{Cond}, \text{LocInv}, \Theta), ac_0, am, \Theta_{\mathcal{L}})$ consists of

- **body** $((\mathcal{L}, \preceq, \sim), \mathcal{I}, \text{Msg}, \text{Cond}, \text{LocInv}, \Theta)$,
- **activation condition** $ac_0 \in \Phi(\mathcal{C})$,
- **strictness flag** *strict* (if *false*, \mathcal{L} is **permissive**)
- **activation mode** $am \in \{\text{initial}, \text{invariant}\}$,
- **chart mode** **existential** ($\Theta_{\mathcal{L}} = \text{cold}$) or **universal** ($\Theta_{\mathcal{L}} = \text{hot}$).

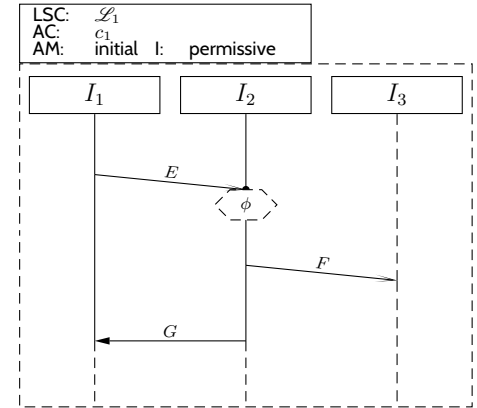
Concrete syntax:



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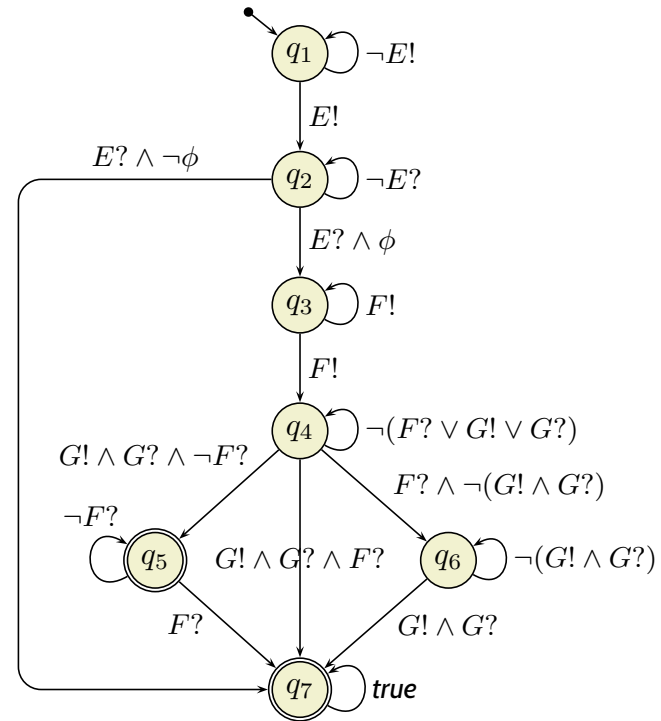
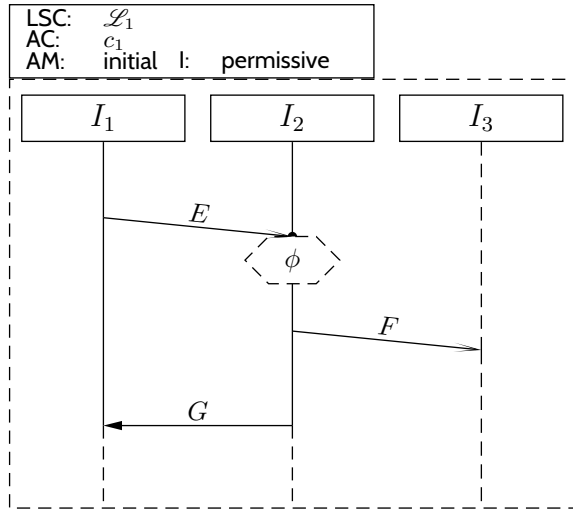


A set of words $W \subseteq (\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{B})^\omega$ is **accepted** by \mathcal{L} if and only if

$\Theta_{\mathcal{L}}$	$am = \text{initial}$	$am = \text{invariant}$
cold	$\exists w \in W \bullet w^0 \models ac \wedge$ $w^0 \models \psi_{\text{hot}}^{\text{Cond}}(\emptyset, C_0) \wedge w/1 \in \text{Lang}(\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{L}))$	$\exists w \in W \exists k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \bullet w^k \models ac \wedge$ $w^k \models \psi_{\text{hot}}^{\text{Cond}}(\emptyset, C_0) \wedge w/k + 1 \in \text{Lang}(\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{L}))$
hot	$\forall w \in W \bullet w^0 \models ac \implies$ $w^0 \models \psi_{\text{hot}}^{\text{Cond}}(\emptyset, C_0) \wedge w/1 \in \text{Lang}(\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{L}))$	$\forall w \in W \forall k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \bullet w^k \models ac \implies$ $w^k \models \psi_{\text{hot}}^{\text{Cond}}(\emptyset, C_0) \wedge w/k + 1 \in \text{Lang}(\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{L}))$

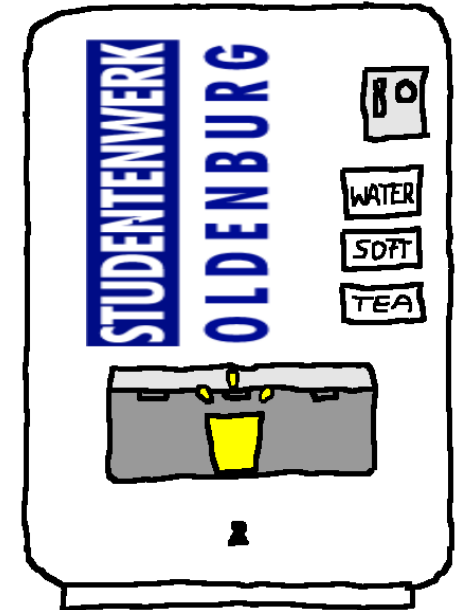
where $ac = ac_0 \wedge \psi_{\text{cold}}^{\text{Cond}}(\emptyset, C_0) \wedge \psi^{\text{Msg}}(\emptyset, C_0)$; C_0 is the minimal (or **instance heads**) cut.

Full LSC Semantics: Example



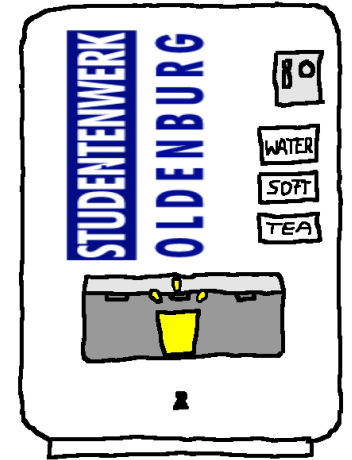
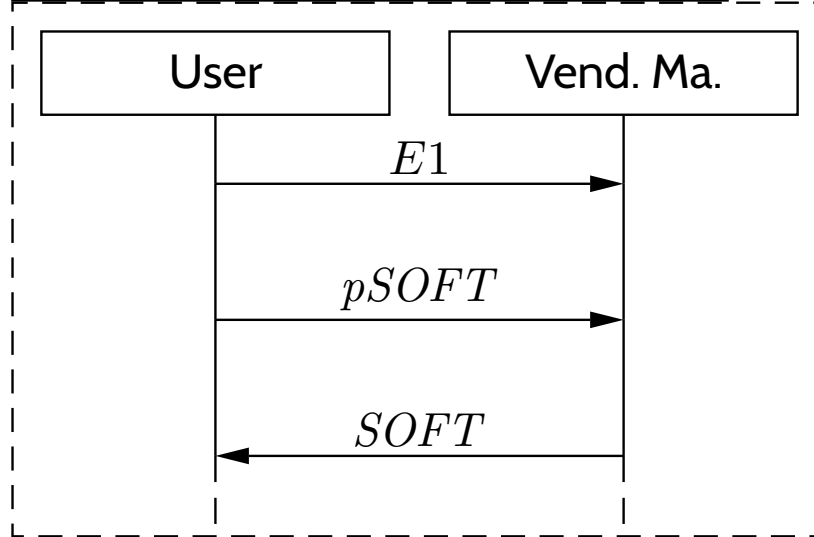
Example: Vending Machine

- **Positive scenario:** Buy a Softdrink
 - (i) Insert one 1 euro coin.
 - (ii) Press the 'softdrink' button.
 - (iii) Get a softdrink.
- **Positive scenario:** Get Change
 - (i) Insert one 50 cent and one 1 euro coin.
 - (ii) Press the 'softdrink' button.
 - (iii) Get a softdrink.
 - (iv) Get 50 cent change.
- **Negative scenario:** A Drink for Free
 - (i) Insert one 1 euro coin.
 - (ii) Press the 'softdrink' button.
 - (iii) Do not insert any more money.
 - (iv) Get **two** softdrinks.

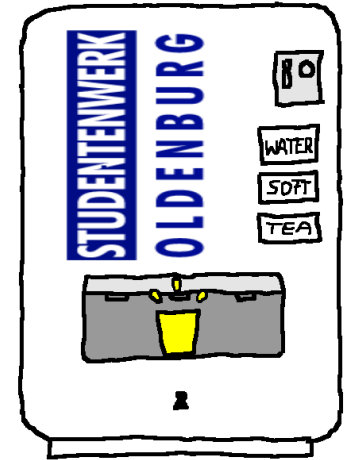
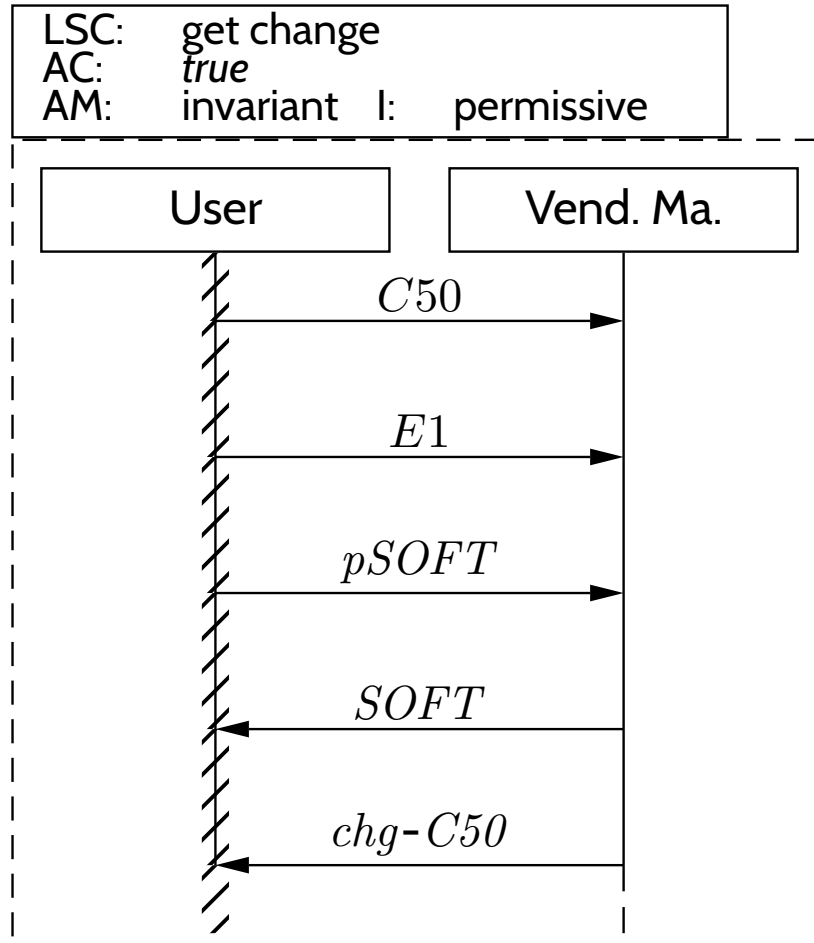


Example: Buy A Softdrink

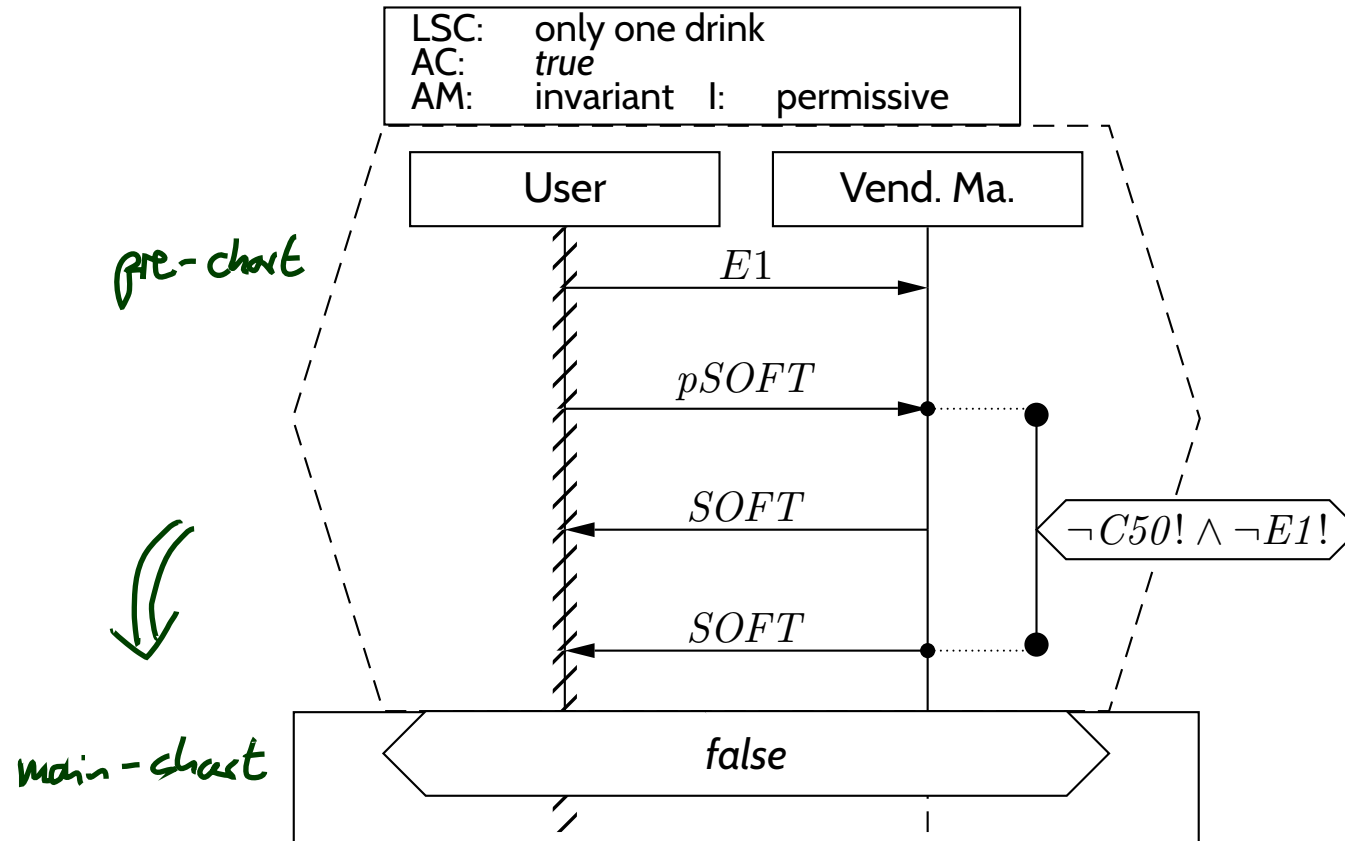
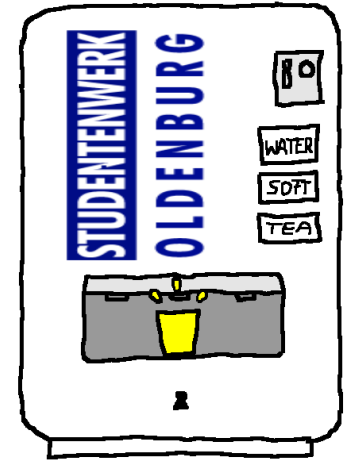
LSC: buy softdrink
AC: true
AM: invariant I: permissive



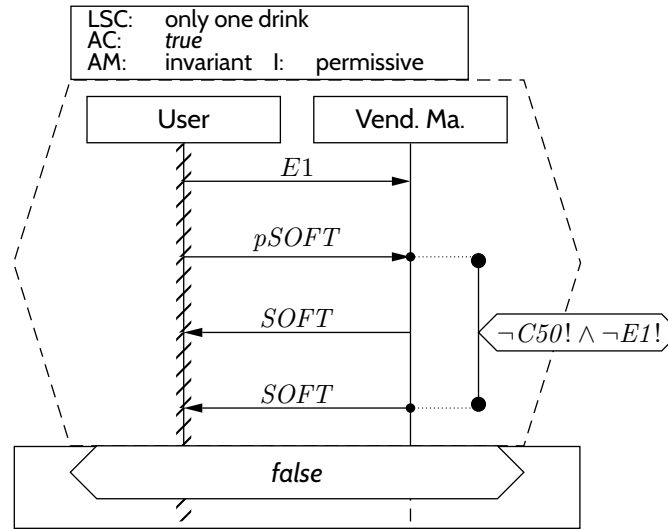
Example: Get Change



Anti-Scenarios: Don't Give Two Drinks



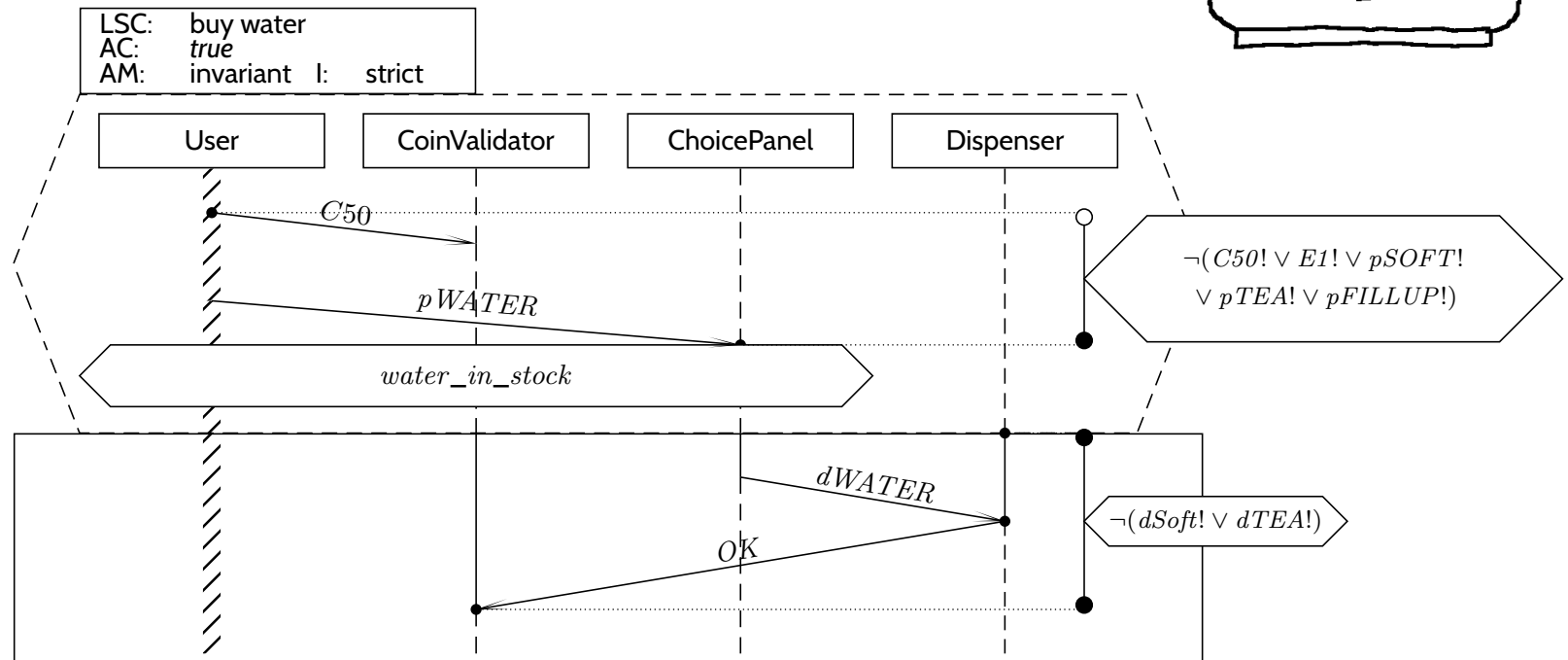
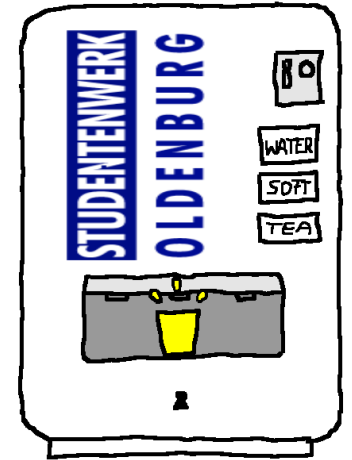
Pre-Charts



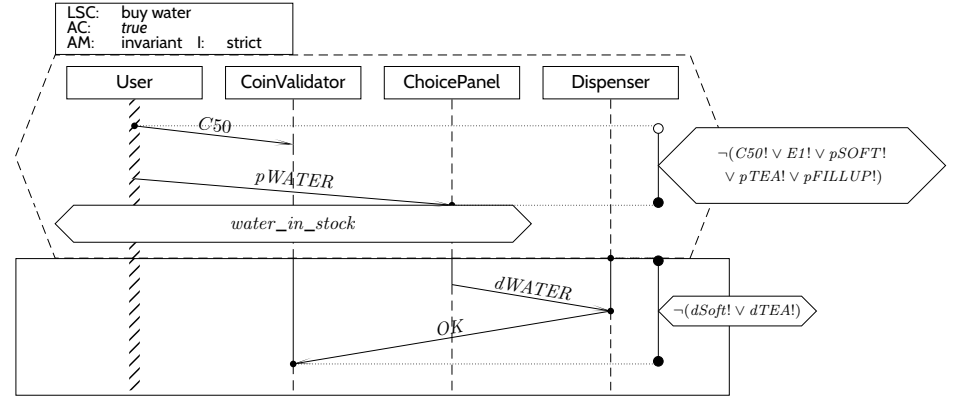
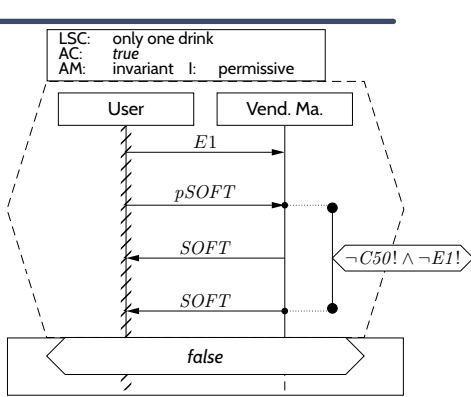
A full LSC $\mathcal{L} = (PC, MC, ac_0, am, \Theta_{\mathcal{L}})$ **actually** consist of

- **pre-chart** $PC = ((\mathcal{L}_P, \preceq_P, \sim_P), \mathcal{I}_P, \text{Msg}_P, \text{Cond}_P, \text{LocInv}_P, \Theta_P)$ (possibly empty),
- **main-chart** $MC = ((\mathcal{L}_M, \preceq_M, \sim_M), \mathcal{I}_M, \text{Msg}_M, \text{Cond}_M, \text{LocInv}_M, \Theta_M)$ (non-empty),
- **activation condition** $ac_0 \in \Phi(\mathcal{C})$,
- **strictness flag** *strict* (if *false*, \mathcal{L} is **permissive**)
- **activation mode** $am \in \{\text{initial, invariant}\}$,
- **chart mode** **existential** ($\Theta_{\mathcal{L}} = \text{cold}$) or **universal** ($\Theta_{\mathcal{L}} = \text{hot}$).

Universal LSC: Example

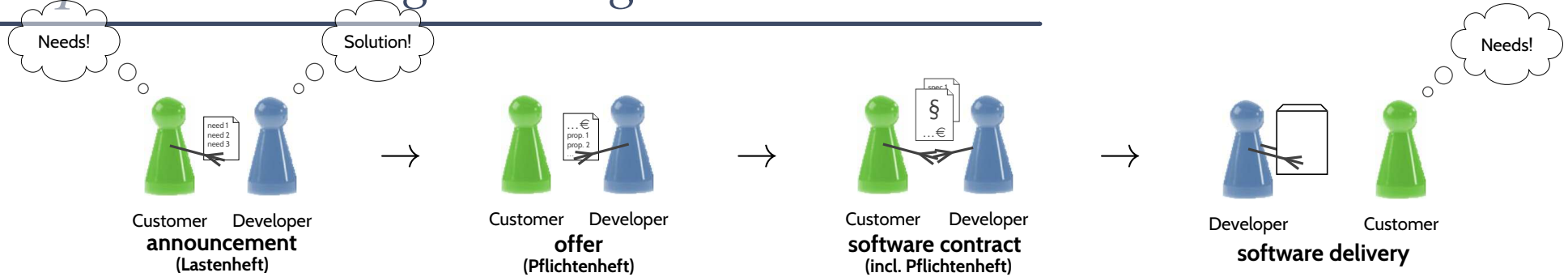


Pre-Charts Semantics



$\Theta_{\mathcal{L}}$	$am = \text{initial}$	$am = \text{invariant}$
cold	$\exists w \in W \exists m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \bullet w^0 \models ac$ $\wedge w^0 \models \psi_{\text{hot}}^{\text{Cond}}(\emptyset, C_0^P)$ $\wedge w/1, \dots, w/m \in \text{Lang}(\mathcal{B}(PC))$ $\wedge w^{m+1} \models \psi_{\text{hot}}^{\text{Cond}}(\emptyset, C_0^M)$ $\wedge w/m + 1 \in \text{Lang}(\mathcal{B}(MC))$	$\exists w \in W \exists k < m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \bullet w^k \models ac$ $\wedge w^k \models \psi_{\text{hot}}^{\text{Cond}}(\emptyset, C_0^P)$ $\wedge w/k + 1, \dots, w/m \in \text{Lang}(\mathcal{B}(PC))$ $\wedge w^{m+1} \models \psi_{\text{hot}}^{\text{Cond}}(\emptyset, C_0^M)$ $\wedge w/m + 1 \in \text{Lang}(\mathcal{B}(MC))$
hot	$\forall w \in W \bullet w^0 \models ac$ $\wedge w^0 \models \psi_{\text{hot}}^{\text{Cond}}(\emptyset, C_0^P)$ $\wedge w/1, \dots, w/m \in \text{Lang}(\mathcal{B}(PC))$ $\wedge w^{m+1} \models \psi_{\text{cold}}^{\text{Cond}}(\emptyset, C_0^M)$ $\implies w^{m+1} \models \psi_{\text{cold}}^{\text{Cond}}(\emptyset, C_0^M)$ $\wedge w/m + 1 \in \text{Lang}(\mathcal{B}(MC))$	$\forall w \in W \forall k \leq m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \bullet w^k \models ac$ $\wedge w^k \models \psi_{\text{hot}}^{\text{Cond}}(\emptyset, C_0^P)$ $\wedge w/k + 1, \dots, w/m \in \text{Lang}(\mathcal{B}(PC))$ $\wedge w^{m+1} \models \psi_{\text{cold}}^{\text{Cond}}(\emptyset, C_0^M)$ $\implies w^{m+1} \models \psi_{\text{cold}}^{\text{Cond}}(\emptyset, C_0^M)$ $\wedge w/m + 1 \in \text{Lang}(\mathcal{B}(MC))$

Requirements Engineering with Scenarios



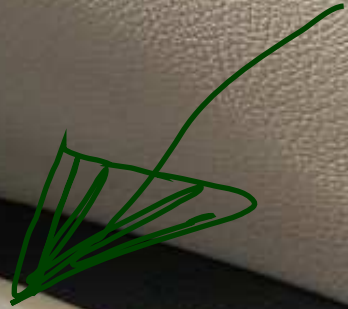
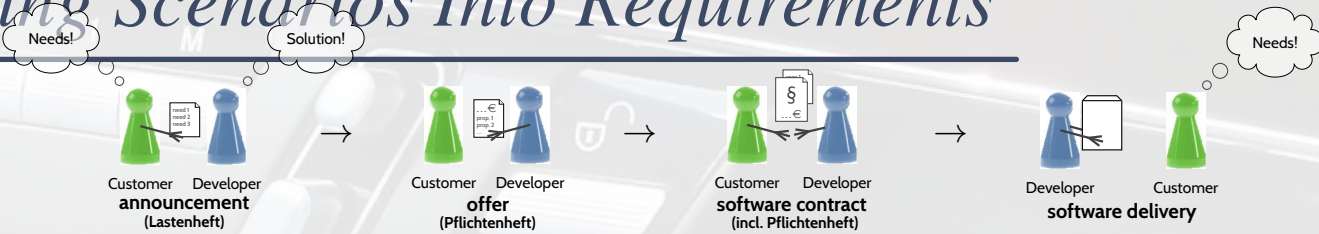
One quite effective approach:

- Approximate** the software requirements: ask for positive / negative **existential scenarios**.
- Refine** result into **universal scenarios** (and validate them with customer).

That is:

- Ask the customer to describe **example usages** of the desired system.
In the sense of: **"If the system is not at all able to do this, then it's not what I want."**
(→ positive use-cases, existential LSC)
- Ask the customer to describe behaviour that **must not happen** in the desired system.
In the sense of: **"If the system does this, then it's not what I want."**
(→ negative use-cases, LSC with pre-chart and hot-*false*)
- Investigate preconditions, side-conditions, exceptional cases and corner-cases.
(→ extend use-cases, refine LSCs with conditions or local invariants)
- Generalise into universal requirements, e.g., **universal LSCs**.
- **Validate** with customer using new positive / negative scenarios.

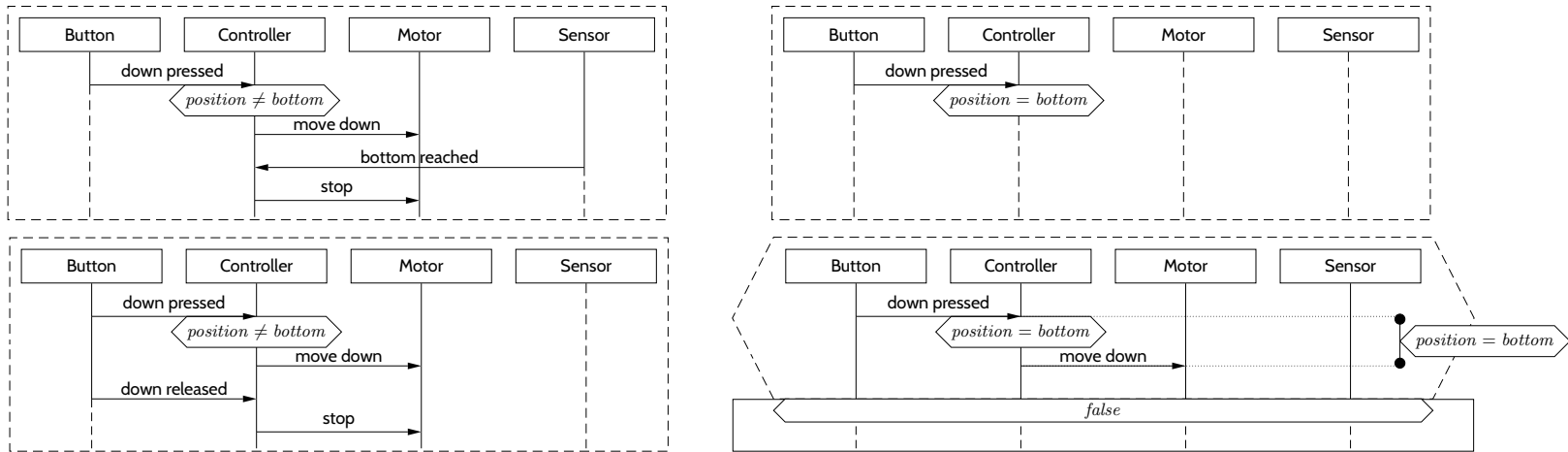
Strengthening Scenarios Into Requirements



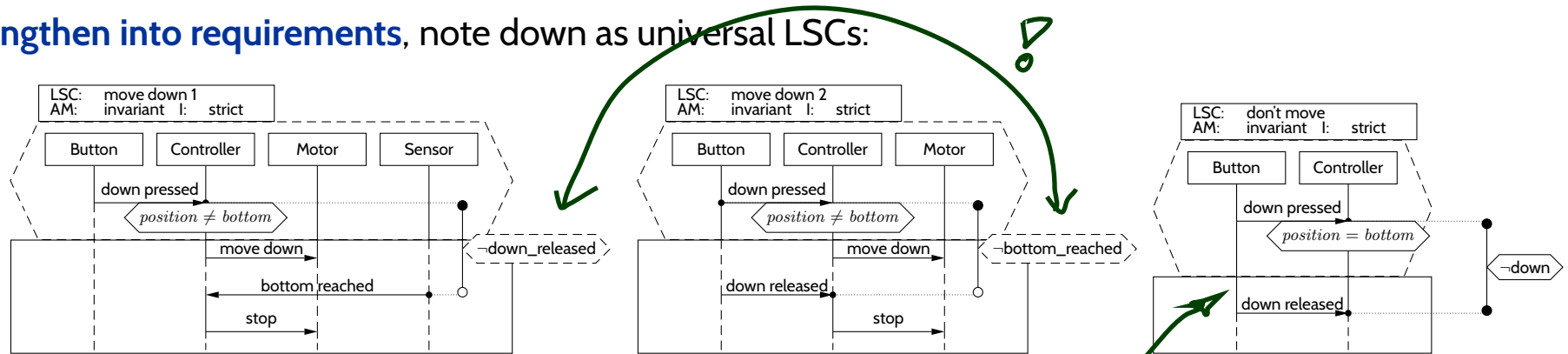
Strengthening Scenarios Into Requirements



- Ask customer for (pos./neg.) scenarios, note down as existential LSCs:



- Strengthen into requirements, note down as universal LSCs:



- Re-Discuss with customer using example words of the LSCs' language.

could be cold

Tell Them What You've Told Them. . .

- **Live Sequence Charts** (if well-formed)
 - have an abstract syntax.
- From an abstract syntax, mechanically construct its **TBA**.
- A **universal LSC** is **satisfied** by a software S if and only if
 - **all words** induced by the computation paths of S
 - are **accepted** by the LSC's TBA.
- An **existential LSC** is **satisfied** by a software S if and only if
 - **there is a word** induced by a computation path of S
 - which is **accepted** by the LSC's TBA.
- **Pre-charts** allow us to specify
 - anti-scenarios (“this must not happen”),
 - activation interactions.
- **Method:**
 - discuss (anti-)scenarios with customer,
 - generalise into universal LSCs and re-validate.

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