

# Property-Directed Reachability *or IC3*



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## PDR

Property-Directed Reachability or IC3

- Makes no copies of transition relation – memory efficient
- Overapproximate postimage (like interpolation)

## PDR Notation

Formula  $X(V) \wedge R(V, V') \wedge Y(V')$  is shortened to  $X \wedge R \wedge Y'$

Meaning: there is an edge from  $s \in X$  to  $s' \in Y$

$s := \text{SAT}(F_i \wedge R \wedge \neg P')$

- $s :=$  some state in  $F_i$  with an edge to a state in  $\neg P$  if  $\text{SAT}(F_i \wedge R \wedge \neg P')$
- $s := FALSE$  if  $\neg \text{SAT}(F_i \wedge R \wedge \neg P')$

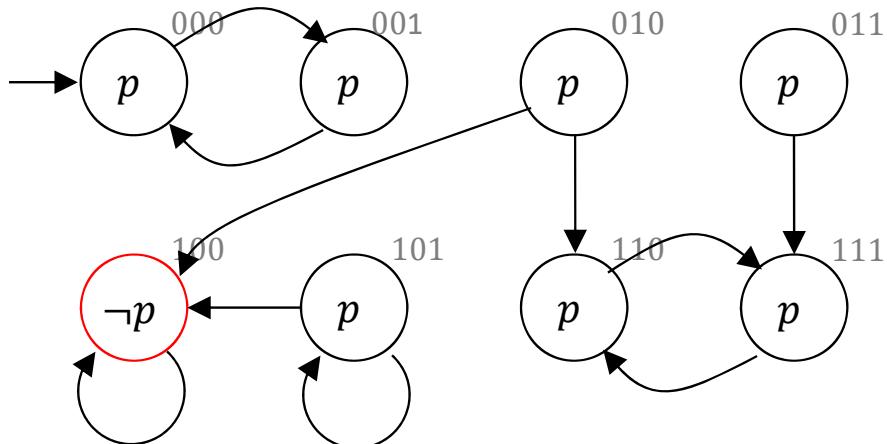
# PDR: Notation

## Definition

- $I \subseteq S$  is **inductive** if
  1.  $S_0 \rightarrow I$  ( $S_0 \subseteq I$ )
  2.  $I \wedge R \rightarrow I'$  ( $\text{postimage}(I) \subseteq I'$ )
- $I \subseteq S$  is **inductive relative to F** if
  1.  $S_0 \rightarrow I$  ( $S_0 \subseteq I$ )
  2.  $I \wedge F \wedge R \rightarrow I'$  ( $\text{postimage}(F \cap I) \subseteq I'$ )

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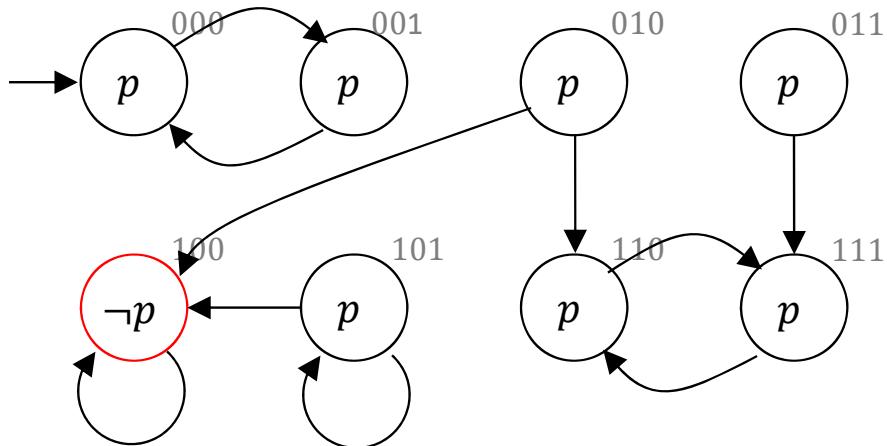


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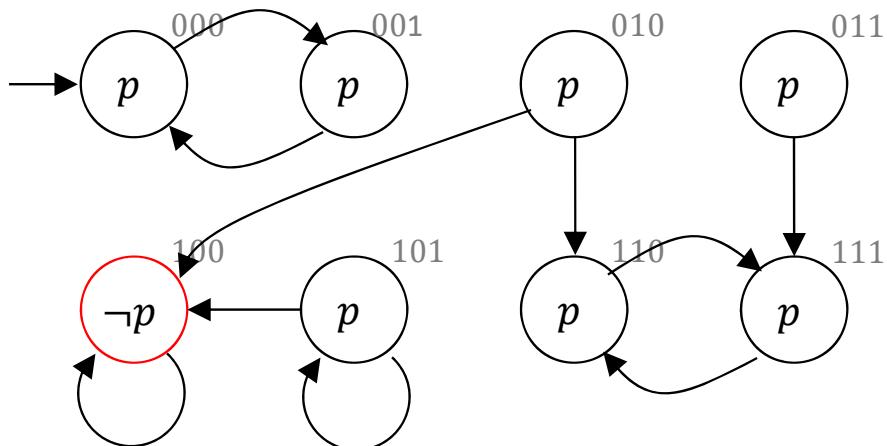


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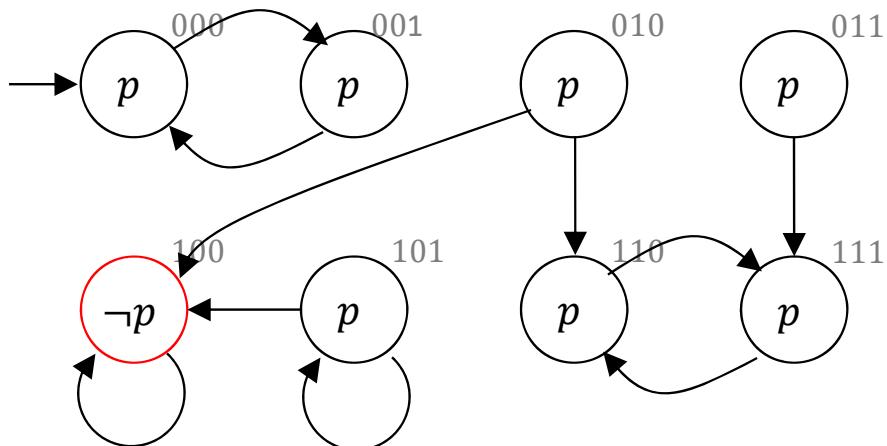


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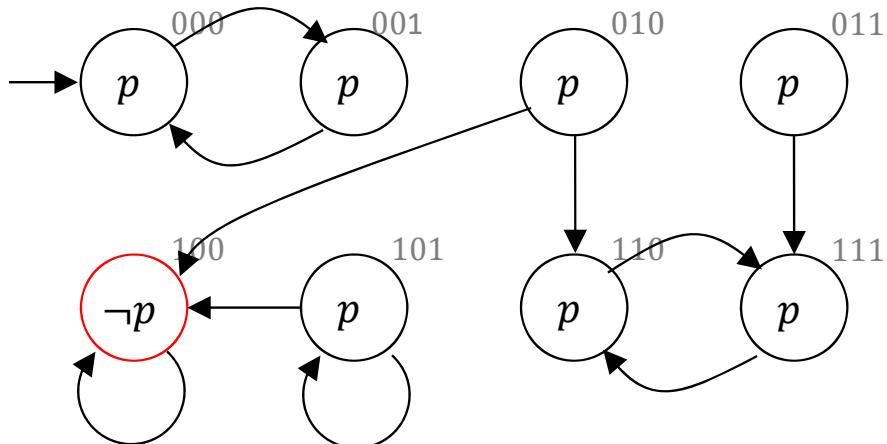
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  - $\neg x_2 \wedge \neg x_1 \wedge R \rightarrow \neg x'_1$
  - **Yes!**

**Idea: Find (relatively) inductive facts.**

# Relative Inductiveness

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# PDR: Data Structures & Invariants

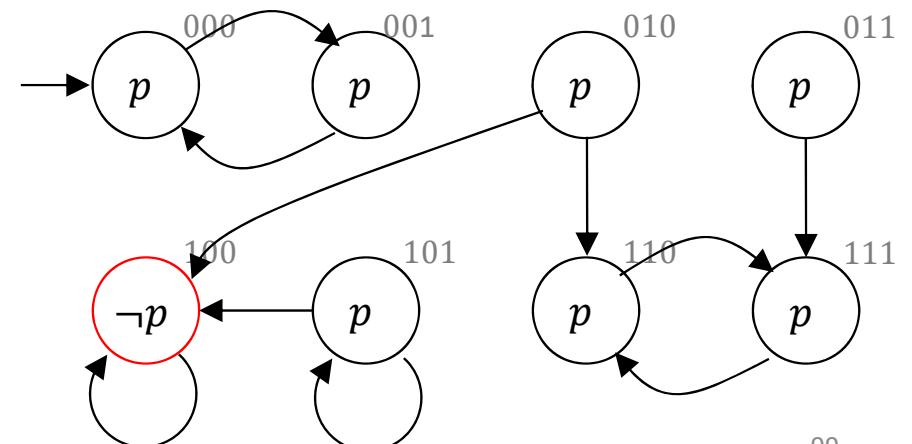
## Data Structure

**Clause:** Disjunction of literals. **Cube:** Conjunction of literals.

Clause and cubes signify a set of states. Longer clauses – more states. Longer cubes – fewer states

Formulas  $F_0, \dots, F_k$  over  $V$ , stored as sets of clauses (Sets  $F_0, \dots, F_k \subseteq S$ )

Meaning: CNF

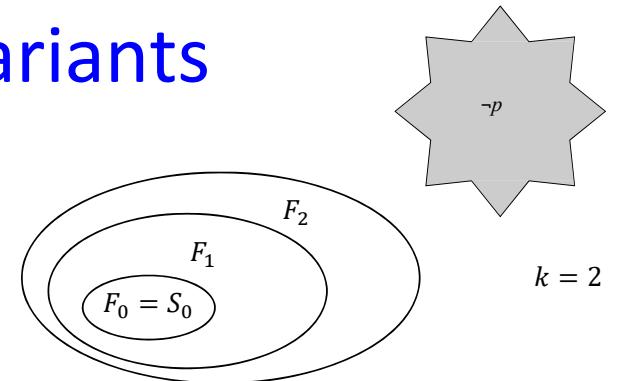


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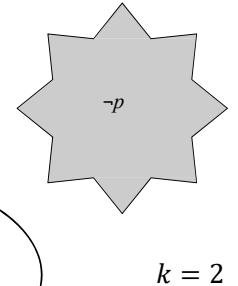
We have **frames**  $F_0, F_1, \dots, F_k$

**Invariants.**

- I1:  $S_0 \rightarrow F_0$   $(S_0 \subseteq F_0)$
- I2:  $F_i \rightarrow F_{i+1}$   $(F_i \subseteq F_{i+1})$ 
  - I2':  $F_i = F_{i+1} \wedge c_{i1} \wedge \dots \wedge c_{in}$
- I3:  $F_i \rightarrow P$   $(F_i \subseteq P)$
- I4:  $F_i \wedge R \rightarrow F'_{i+1}$   $(postimg(F_i) \subseteq F_{i+1})$



# PDR: Data Structures & Invariants



## Invariants

- I1:  $S_0 = F_0$   $(S_0 = F_0)$
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- I4:  $F_i \wedge R \rightarrow F'_{i+1}$   $(\text{postimg}(F_i) \subseteq F_{i+1})$

## Facts

1.  $\forall 0 < i \leq k$ : There is no trace from  $F_i$  to  $\neg p$  of  $k - i$  edges or less (I3,I4)
  2. Because of I4:
    1.  $\text{postimg}^i(S_0) \subseteq F_i$
    2. There is no trace from  $S_0$  to  $F_i$  of length  $< i$
    3. There is no counterexample  $k + 1$  edges or less (with I3)
- If  $F_i = F_{i+1}$  then system is correct. (By I3, I4,  $F_i$  is an inductive invariant)

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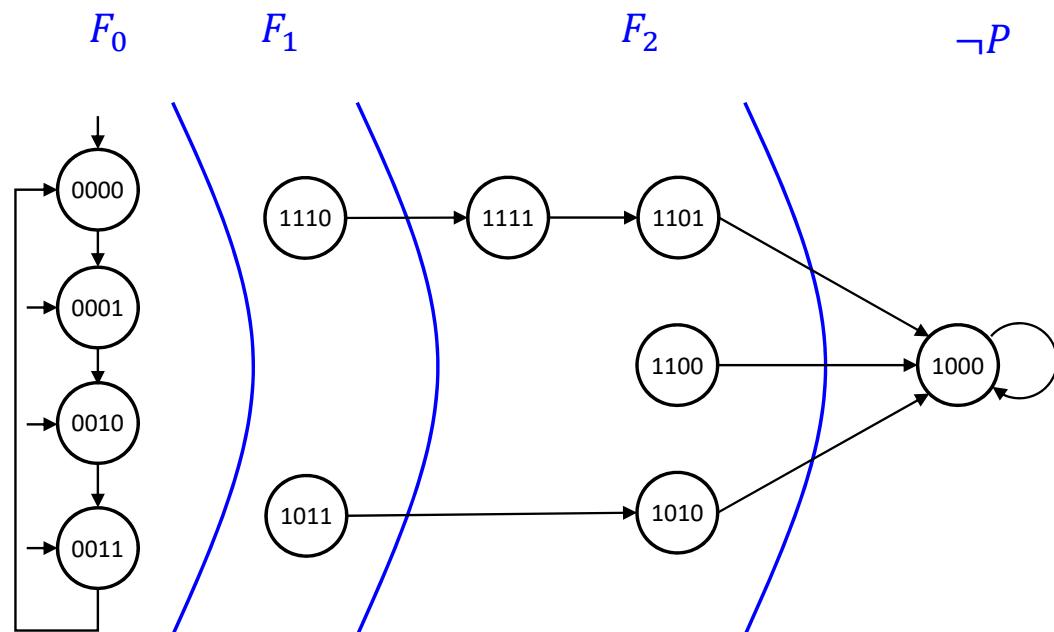
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$k = 2$



Goal: look for counterexamples of length 3.  
If we find one – done  
If we don't – We have an  $F_3$

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remove states in  $F_k$   
with edge to  $\neg P$

remove states in  $F_i$   
with path to  $\neg P$  of  
length  $k - i + 1$

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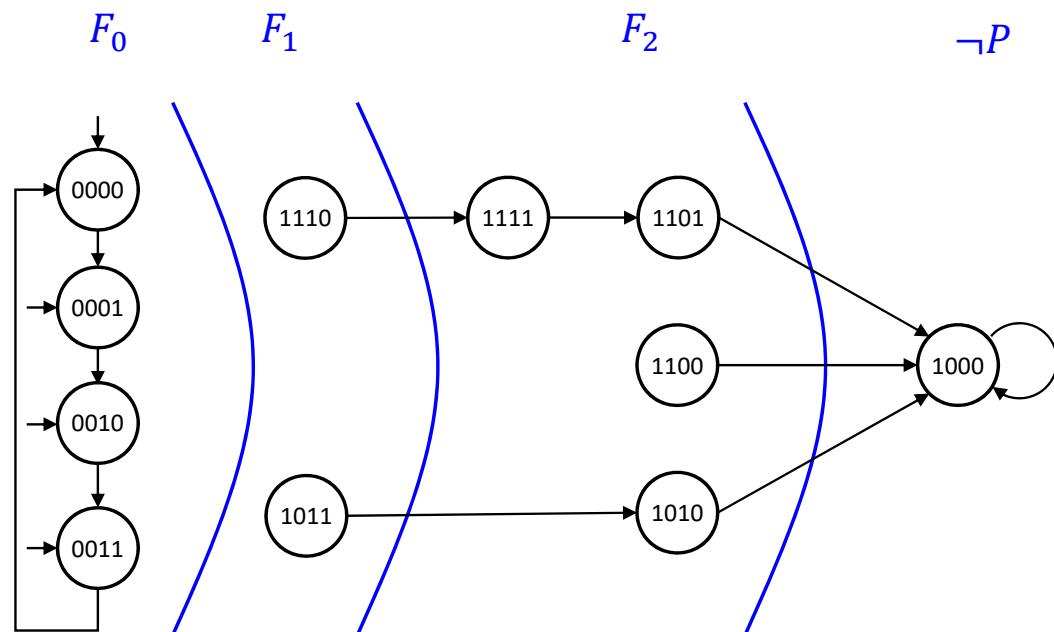
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Do the invariants hold?

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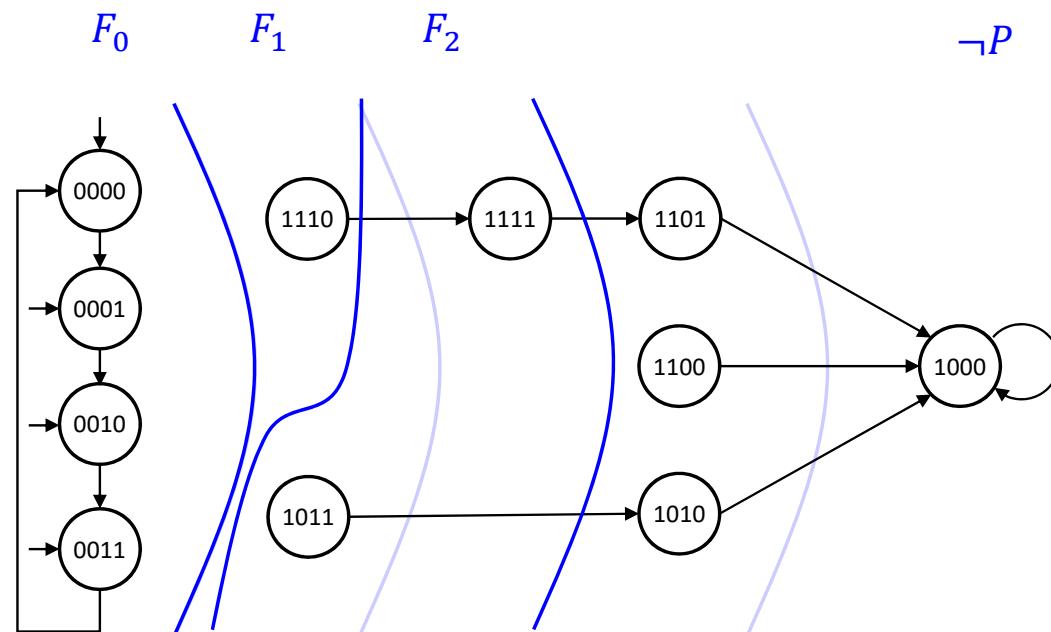
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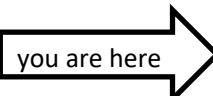
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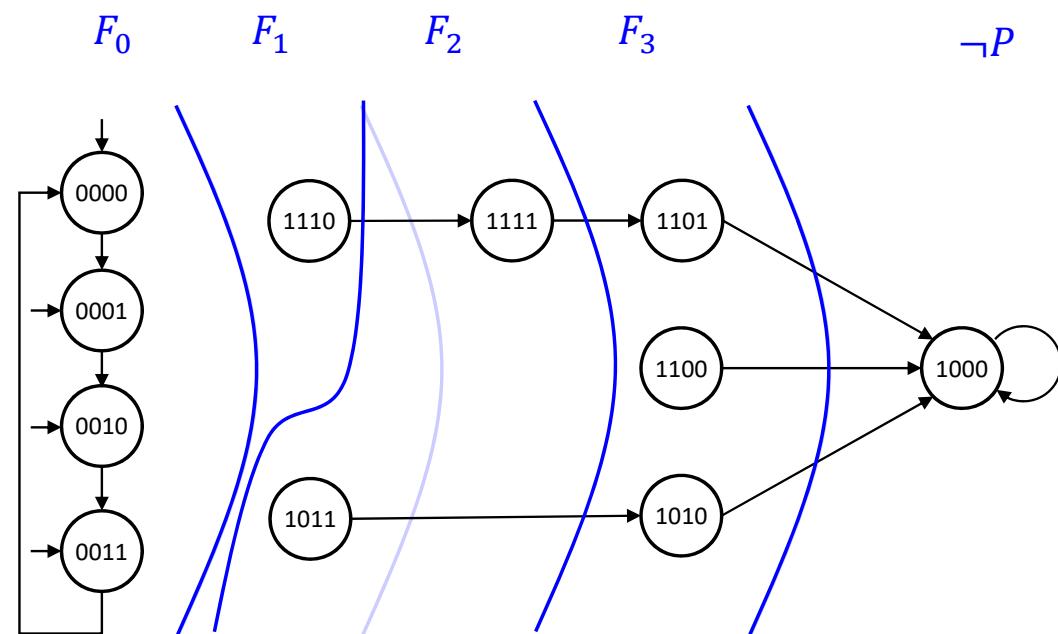
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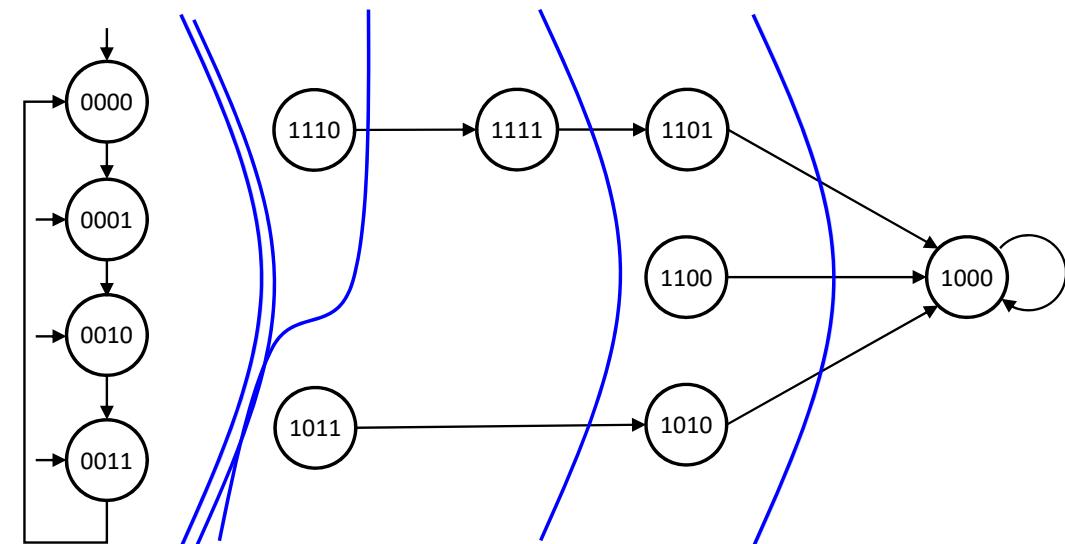
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$F_0 = F_1 \wedge F_2$

$F_3$

$F_4$

$\neg P$





## Drawback

- Version 1 considers each state individually
- Similar states behave similarly
- Example:
  - On call `removeBad(2, 1101)`
  - 1100 and 1101 cannot be reached from  $F_1$ . Generalize 1101 to  $110- = x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge \neg x_3$

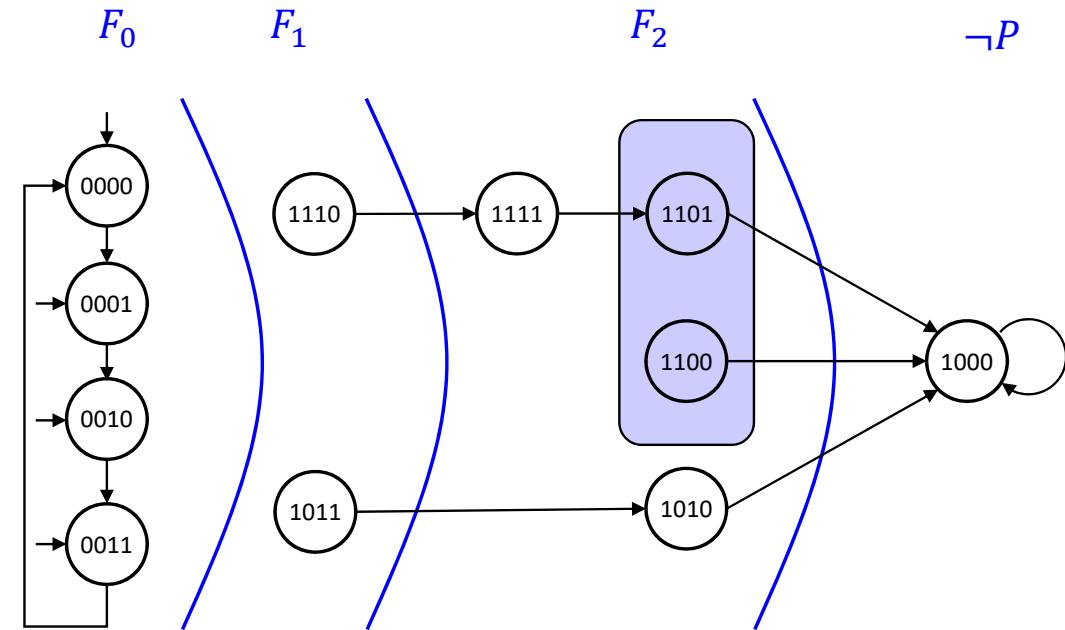
## Conditions

- $\text{UNSAT}(F_1 \wedge R \wedge x'_1 \wedge x'_2 \wedge \neg x'_3)$
- $\text{UNSAT}(S_0 \wedge x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge \neg x_3)$

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$x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4$

$\neg P$



# PDR: Naive Generalization

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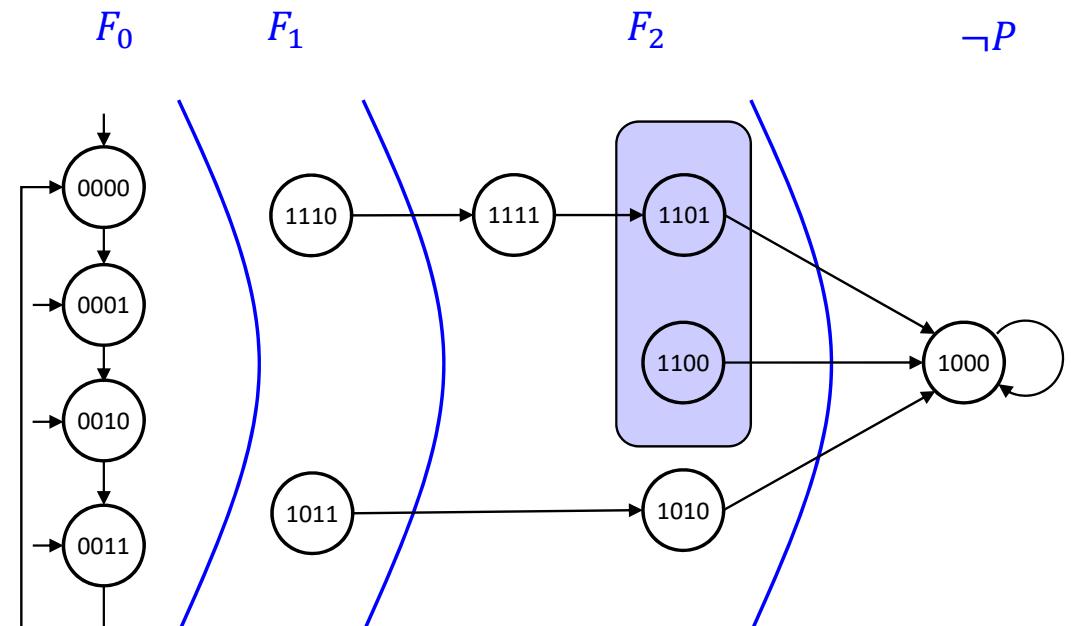
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   $g := \text{generalizeNaive}(i, s)$ 
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function generalizeNaive( $i$ , state  $s$ )
  return a shortest cube  $c$  such that
  -  $s \rightarrow c$ 
  -  $\neg \text{SAT}(F_{i-1} \wedge R \wedge c')$ 
  -  $\neg \text{SAT}(S_0 \wedge c)$ 

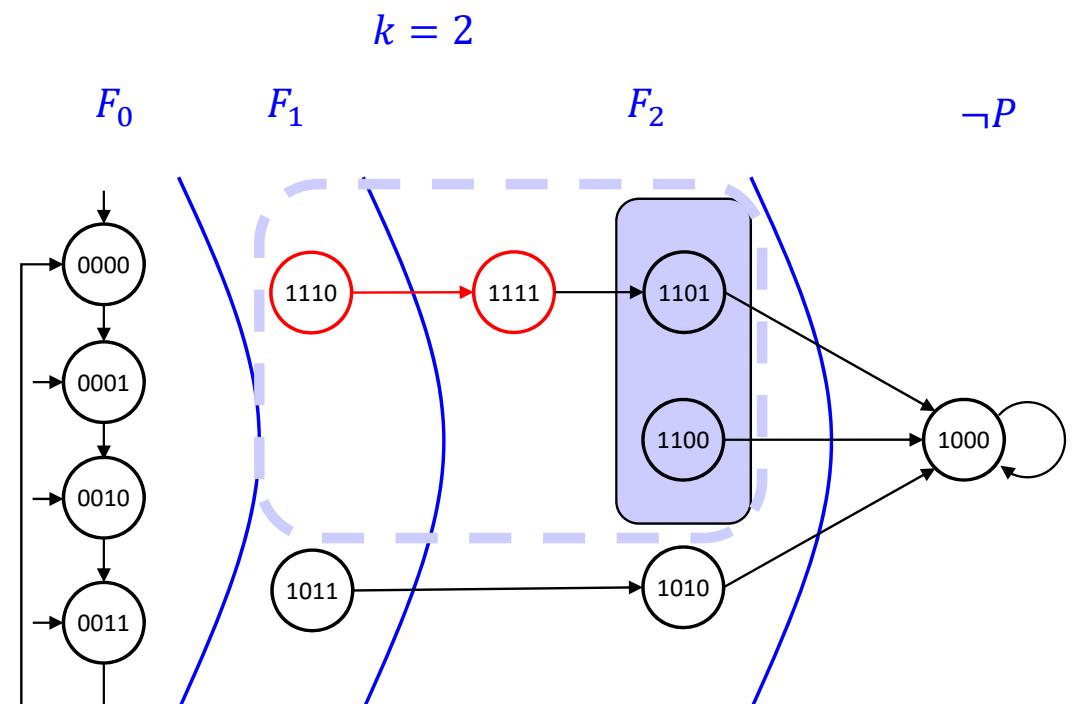
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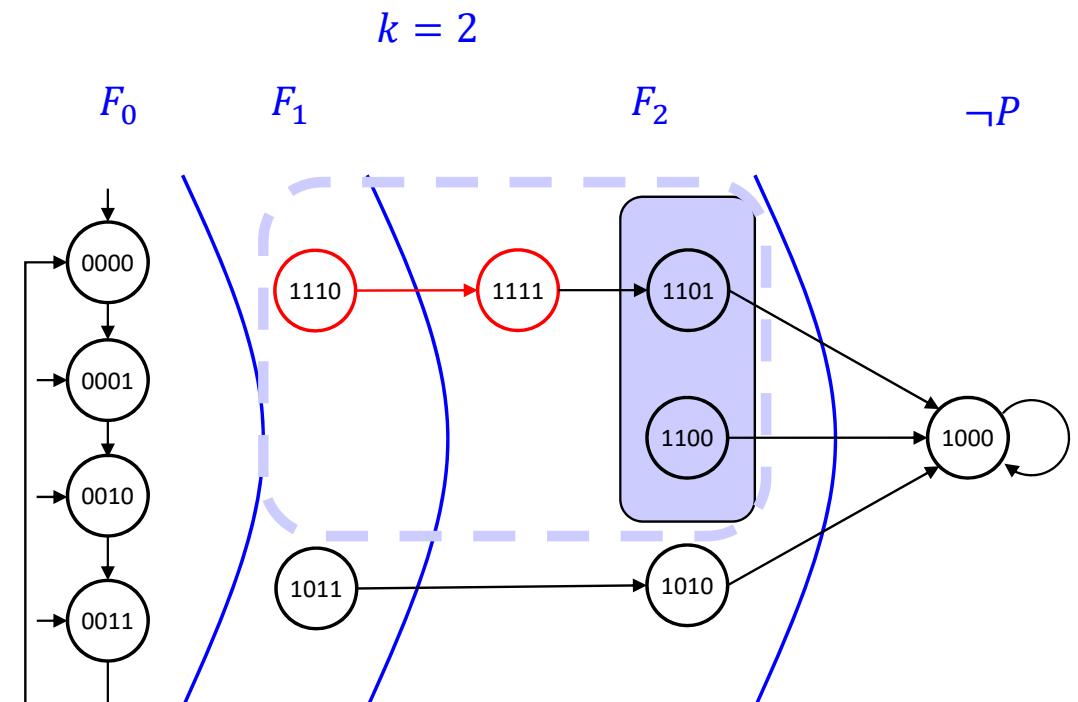
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  - No:  $x_1 \wedge x_2$  is inductive

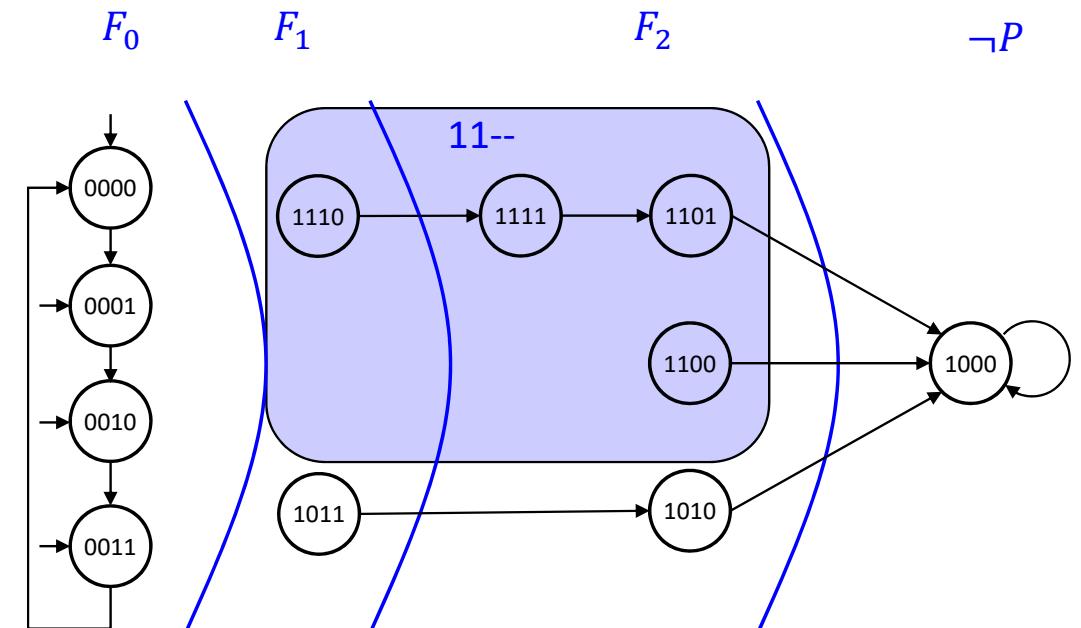


# Relative Inductiveness

We can pick shortest cube  $c$  such that

- $s \rightarrow c$
- $\neg \text{SAT}(\neg c \wedge F_1 \wedge R \wedge c')$
- $\neg \text{SAT}(S_0 \wedge c)$

$\neg c$  is **relative inductive wrt  $F_1$**



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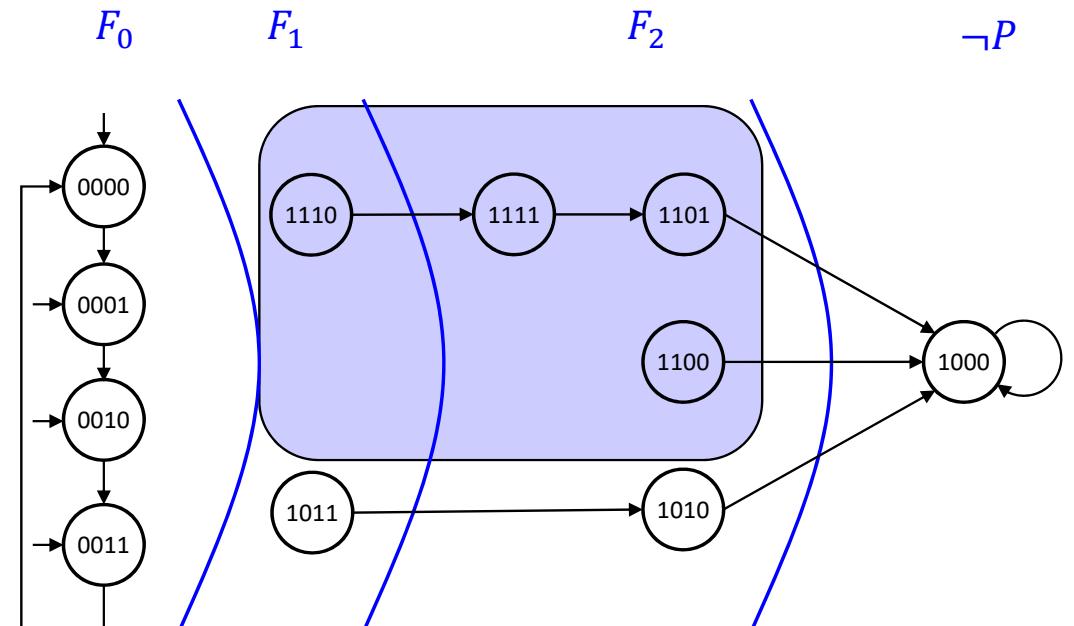
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    -  $\neg \text{SAT}(\neg c \wedge F_{i-1} \wedge R \wedge c')$ 
    -  $\neg \text{SAT}(S_0 \wedge c)$ 

```



# Generalization

How do you find a shortest cube?

- See algorithm to the right
- Note
  - this gives you a cube from which you cannot remove more literals
  - There may be cubes that are even shorter

```
function generalize(i, state s)
  c := s
  while c changes
    let  $l_1, \dots, l_n$  be the literals of c
    for i := 1 to n
       $c' = c$  with  $l_i$  removed
      if relInd( $c'$ ) then  $c = c'$ 
    return c
```

```
function relInd(cube c)
  return  $\neg \text{SAT}(\neg c \wedge F_{i-1} \wedge R \wedge c)$ 
         $\wedge \neg \text{SAT}(S_0 \wedge c)$ 
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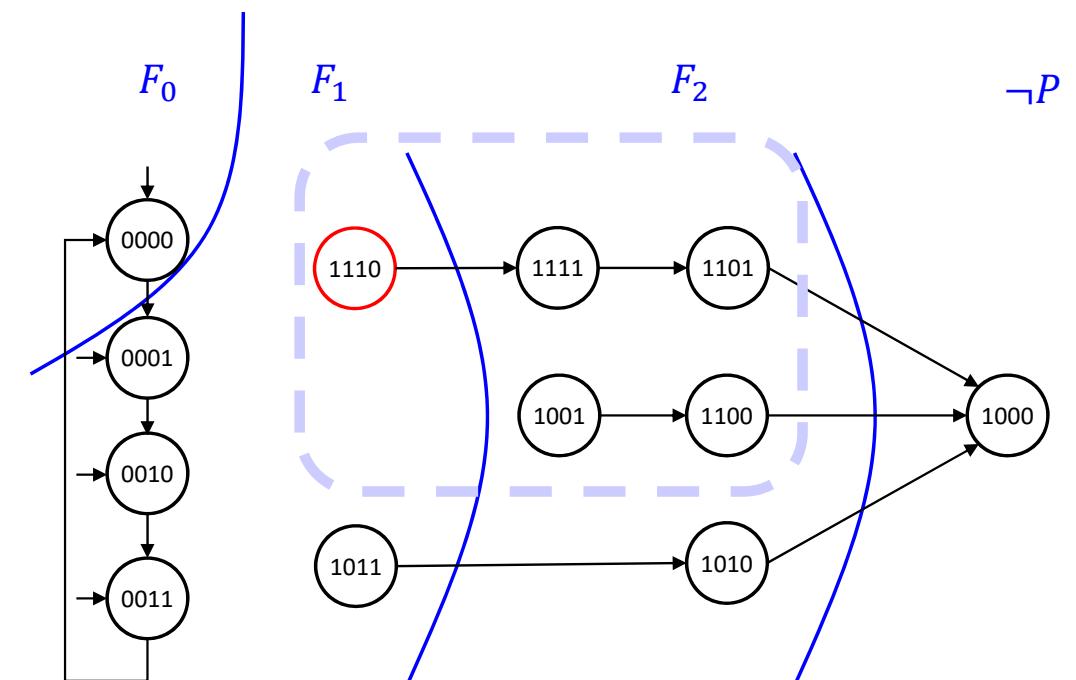
## Propagate Clauses

Suppose we have situation on the right.

We are removing 1110 from  $F_1$ .

We can generalize 1110 to 1---

$$F_1 := F_1 \wedge \neg x_1$$

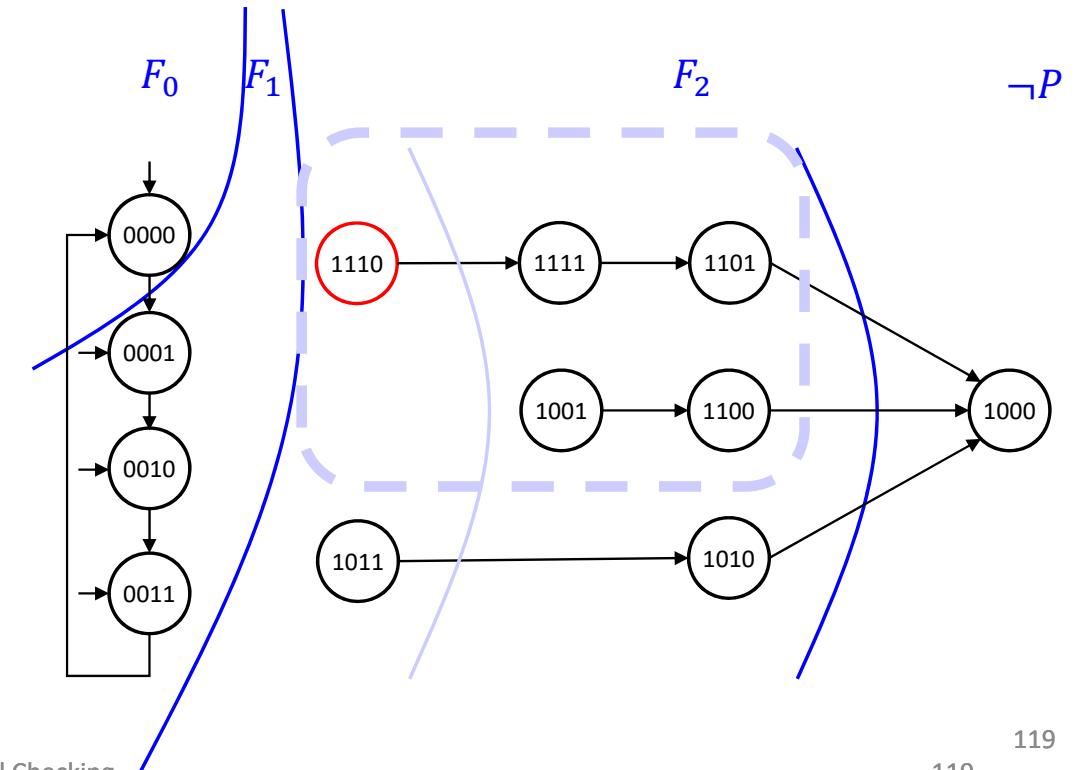


## Propagate Clauses

After we update  $F_1$

$F_2 \cap x_1 \cap \text{postimg}(F_1) = \emptyset$ , so  
we can add  $\neg x_1$  to  $F_2$

$\text{UNSAT}(F_1 \wedge R \wedge F'_2 \wedge x'_1)$



# PDR, Final: Propagate Clauses

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  while(true)
    while( $s := \text{SAT}(F_k \wedge R \wedge \neg P')$ )
      removeBad(k, s)
       $k++; F_k := P$ 
      propagateClauses(k)
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function gesneralize(i, state s)
  return a shortest cube  $c$  such that
  -  $c \leftarrow s$ 
  -  $\neg c$  inductive relative to  $F_{i-1}$ 

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function propagateClauses(k)
  for  $i := 1$  to  $k - 1$ 
    for every clause  $c \in F_i$ 
      if  $\neg \text{SAT}(F_i \wedge R \wedge \neg c')$ 
         $F_{i+1} := F_{i+1} \wedge c$ 

```

## Further Ideas

- This version is somewhat simplified and doesn't find long counterexamples quickly
- Equivalence of frames = syntactic check
  - Use implication and subsumption to simplify clauses
  - Check Mischchenko paper to see if we add clauses when they are subsumed

# Performance

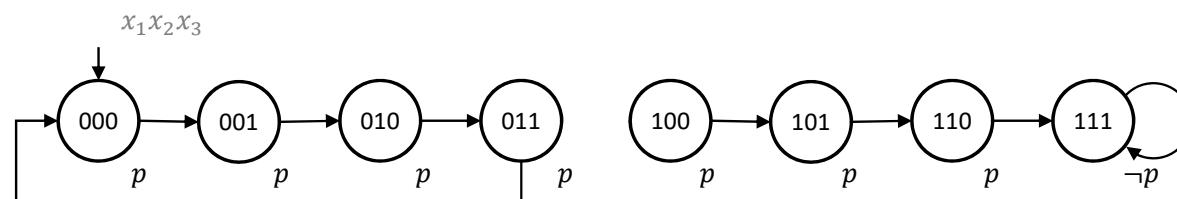
Hardware Model Checking Competition 2020

1. AVR 11 variants of IC3+[abstraction], 2x BMC, 3x k-induction
2. AVY interpolation + PDR
3. nuXmv “portfolio”, including IC3
4. Pono: protfolio, including BMC, k-induction, interpolation, IC3

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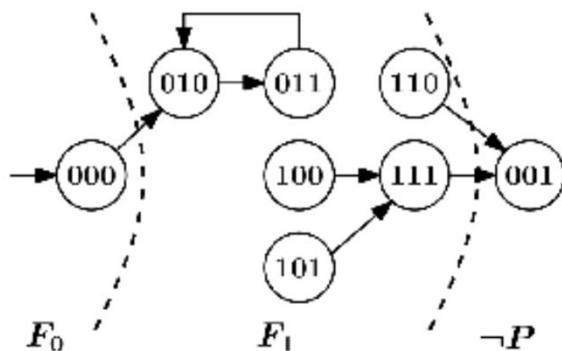


# Model Checking Homework 4

Deadline: 7 April 4:00pm

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Consider the following synchronous Kripke structure  $K$ , with states of the form  $x_1x_2x_3$ . The only initial state is 000, and we are given a property  $P$  that holds everywhere but in 001.



We wish to prove that  $P$  is always true using PDR. We began the algorithm, obtaining the frames  $F_0$  and  $F_1$  as shown in the figure.

**Task 4a [4 points].** Starting from the figure, carry out two iterations of the first variant of the PDR (from  $k=1$ , until  $k=3$ ) shown in class. Clearly indicate the steps and the frames at the end of each iteration. Is the property  $P$  verified at the end? Why/Why not?

**Task 4b [3 points].** As before, perform two iterations of PDR starting from the figure. This time use “naive generalization” during the removal of bad states, as shown in class. Clearly indicate the steps and the frames at the end of each iteration. Is the property  $P$  verified at the end? Why/Why not?

**Task 4c [3 points].** Which of the following statements are false? Justify your answer.

- The set  $\neg x_1$  is inductive.
- The set  $\neg x_3$  is inductive.
- The set  $\neg x_2$  is inductive relative to  $\neg x_1$ .
- The set  $\neg x_3$  is inductive relative to  $\neg x_1$ .