

Liveness Analysis for Parameterised Boolean Equation Systems

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- > Fixed point iteration
- > Tableaux
- > Instantiation (like state space exploration) + solving resulting Boolean Equation System/Parity game

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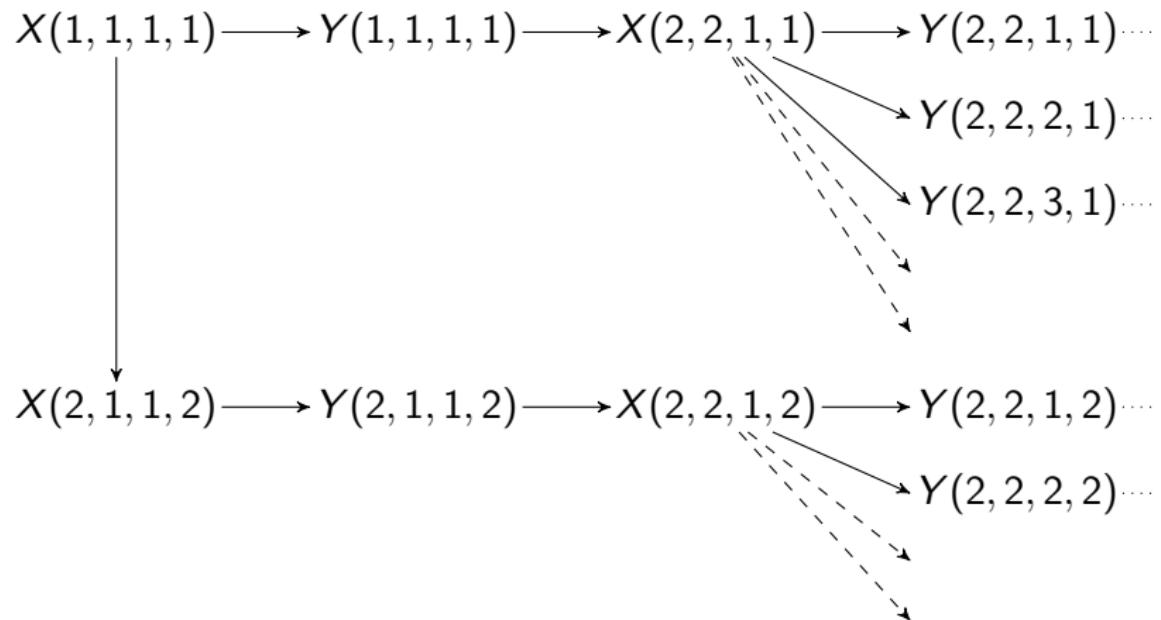
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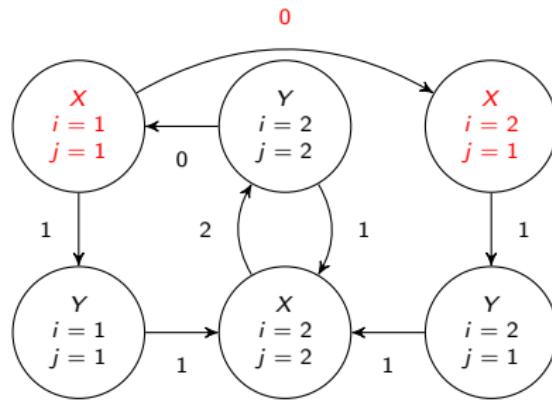
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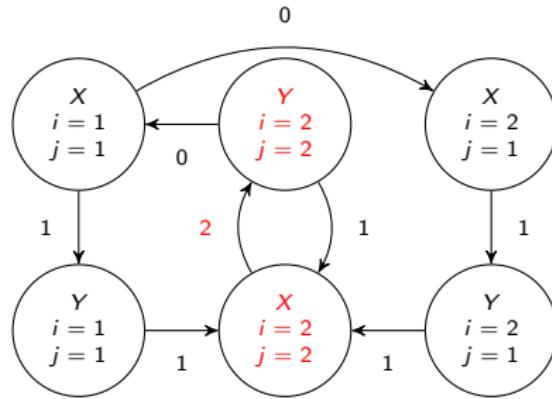
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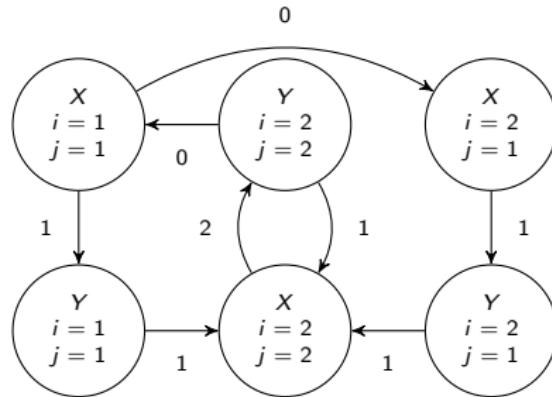
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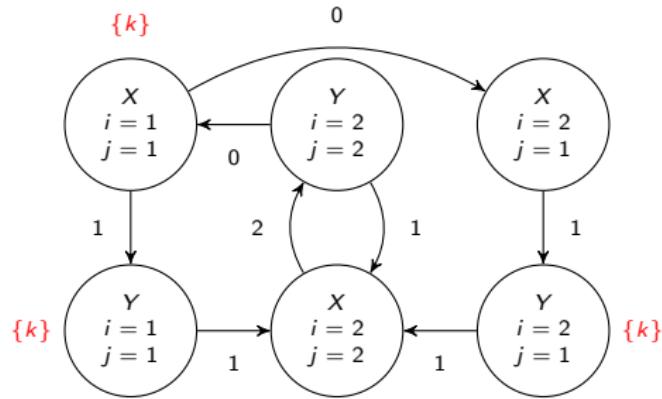
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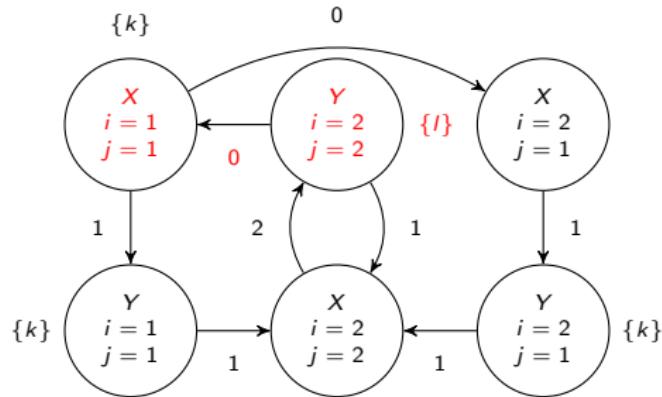
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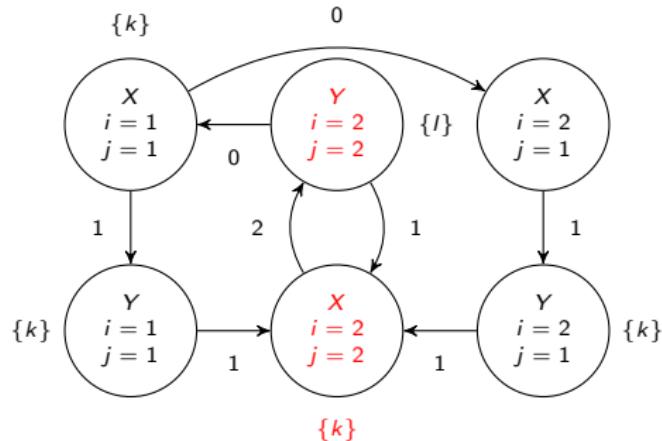
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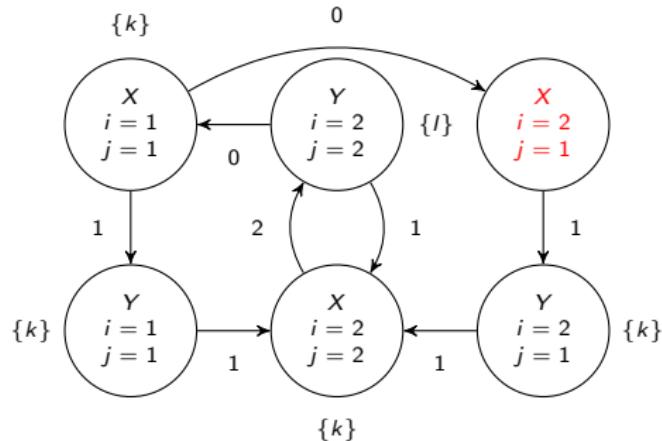
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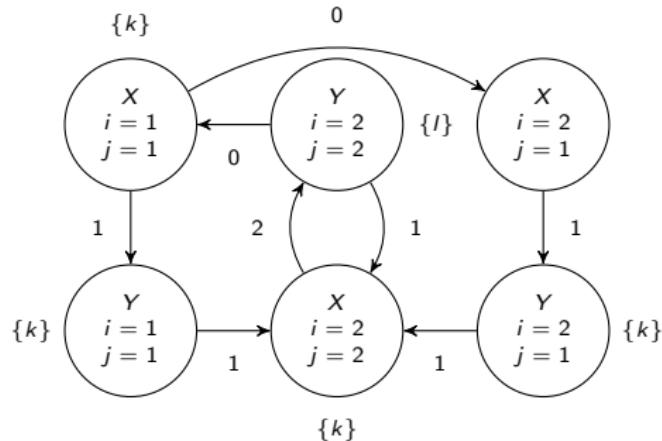
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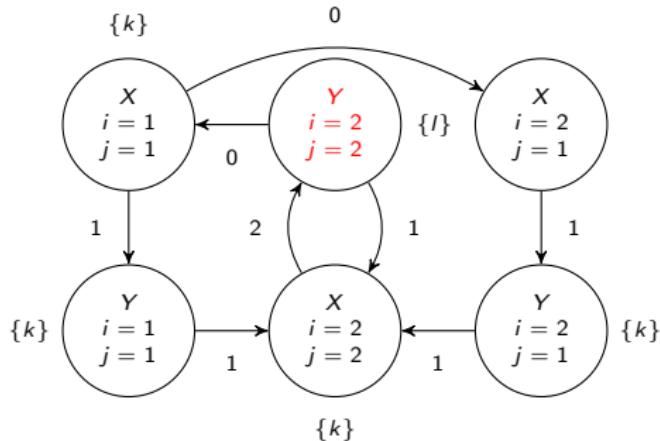
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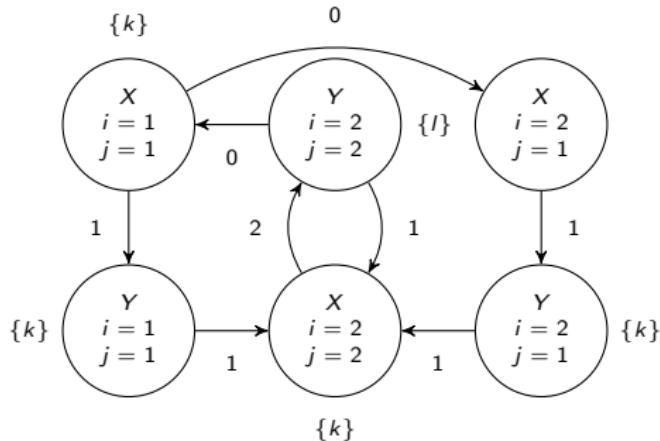
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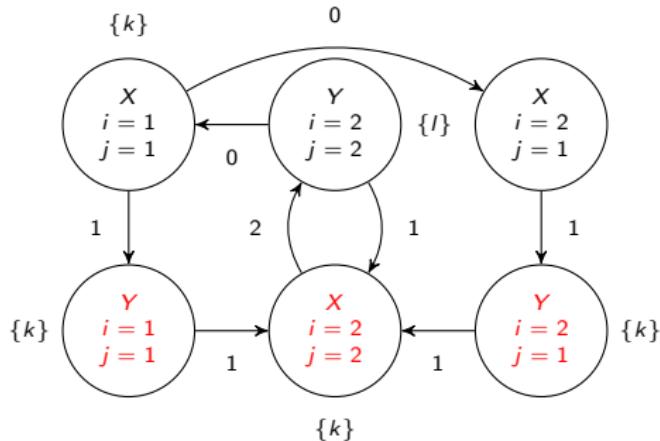
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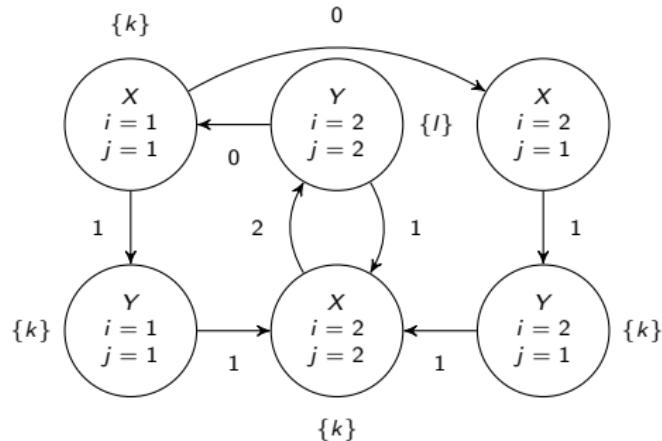


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Finite instantiation!

Reduction

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Finite instantiation! (8 equations)

Problem

Size of CFG **exponential** in number of CFPs:

$$\begin{aligned}\nu X(i_1, \dots, i_n : B) = & (i_1 \wedge X(\text{false}, \dots, i_n)) \vee (\neg i_1 \wedge X(\text{true}, \dots, i_n)) \vee \\ & \dots \vee (i_n \wedge X(i_1, \dots, \text{false})) \vee (\neg i_n \wedge X(i_1, \dots, \text{true}))\end{aligned}$$

Optimisation

Problem

Size of CFG **exponential** in number of CFPs:

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Resolution

- > Local CFG for each CFP
- > Link data parameters to CFPs
- > Perform local analysis with limited global transfer of information

This approximates global analysis

Check out paper for details

Results

Reductions: Size

	$ D $	Original	parelm	st.graph (global)	st.graph (local)	
Model Checking Problems						
No deadlock						
<i>Hesselink</i>	2	540,737	100%	100%	100%	✓
	3	13,834,801	100%	100%	100%	✓
Messages can overtake one another						
<i>Onebit</i>	2	164,353	63%	73%	70%	✗
	4	1,735,681	88%	92%	90%	✗
Values written to the register can be read						
<i>Hesselink</i>	2	1,093,761	1%	92%	92%	✓
	3	27,876,961	1%	98%	98%	✓
Equivalence Checking Problems						
Branching bisimulation equivalence						
<i>ABP-CABP</i>	2	31,265	0%	3%	0%	✓
	4	73,665	0%	5%	0%	✓
<i>Buf-Onebit</i>	2	844,033	16%	23%	23%	✓
	4	8,754,689	32%	44%	44%	✓
<i>Hesselink I-S</i>	2	21,062,529	0%	93%	93%	✗

Results

Times

$ D $	Original	parelm	st.graph (global)	st.graph (local)	
Model Checking Problems					
No deadlock					
<i>Hesselink</i>	2	64.9	99%	95%	99% ✓
	3	2776.3	100%	100%	100% ✓
Messages can overtake one another					
<i>Onebit</i>	2	36.4	70%	67%	79% ×
	4	332.0	88%	88%	90% ×
Values written to the register can be read					
<i>Hesselink</i>	2	132.8	-3%	90%	91% ✓
	3	5362.9	25%	98%	99% ✓
Equivalence Checking Problems					
Branching bisimulation equivalence					
<i>ABP-CABP</i>	2	3.9	-4%	-1880%	-167% ✓
	4	8.7	-7%	-1410%	-72% ✓
<i>Buf-Onebit</i>	2	112.1	30%	28%	31% ✓
	4	1344.6	35%	44%	37% ✓
<i>Hesselink I-S</i>	2	4133.6	0%	74%	91% ×

Conclusions

Presented analysis that...

- > Identifies CFPs in a PBES
- > Detects dead variables
- > Reduces PBES

Additionally:

- > Local analysis to avoid exponential blow up
- > Examples infinite to finite

Future work

- > Use CFG to detect invariants
- > Use CFG to improve existing heuristics
- > Optimise implementation