

# ASSUME GUARANTEE OR REPAIR

## COMPOSITIONAL VERIFICATION AND REPAIR OF C-LIKE PROGRAMS

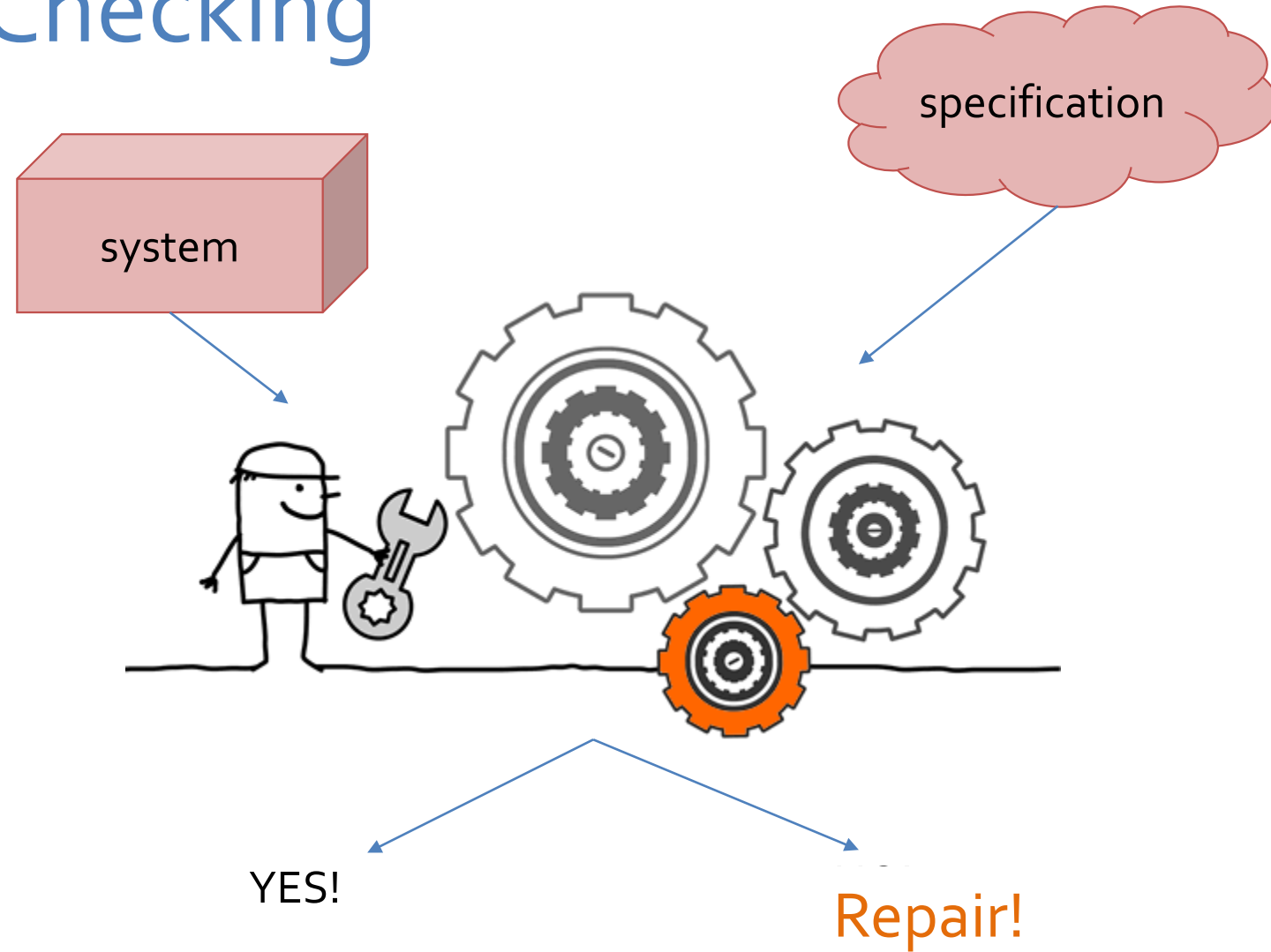
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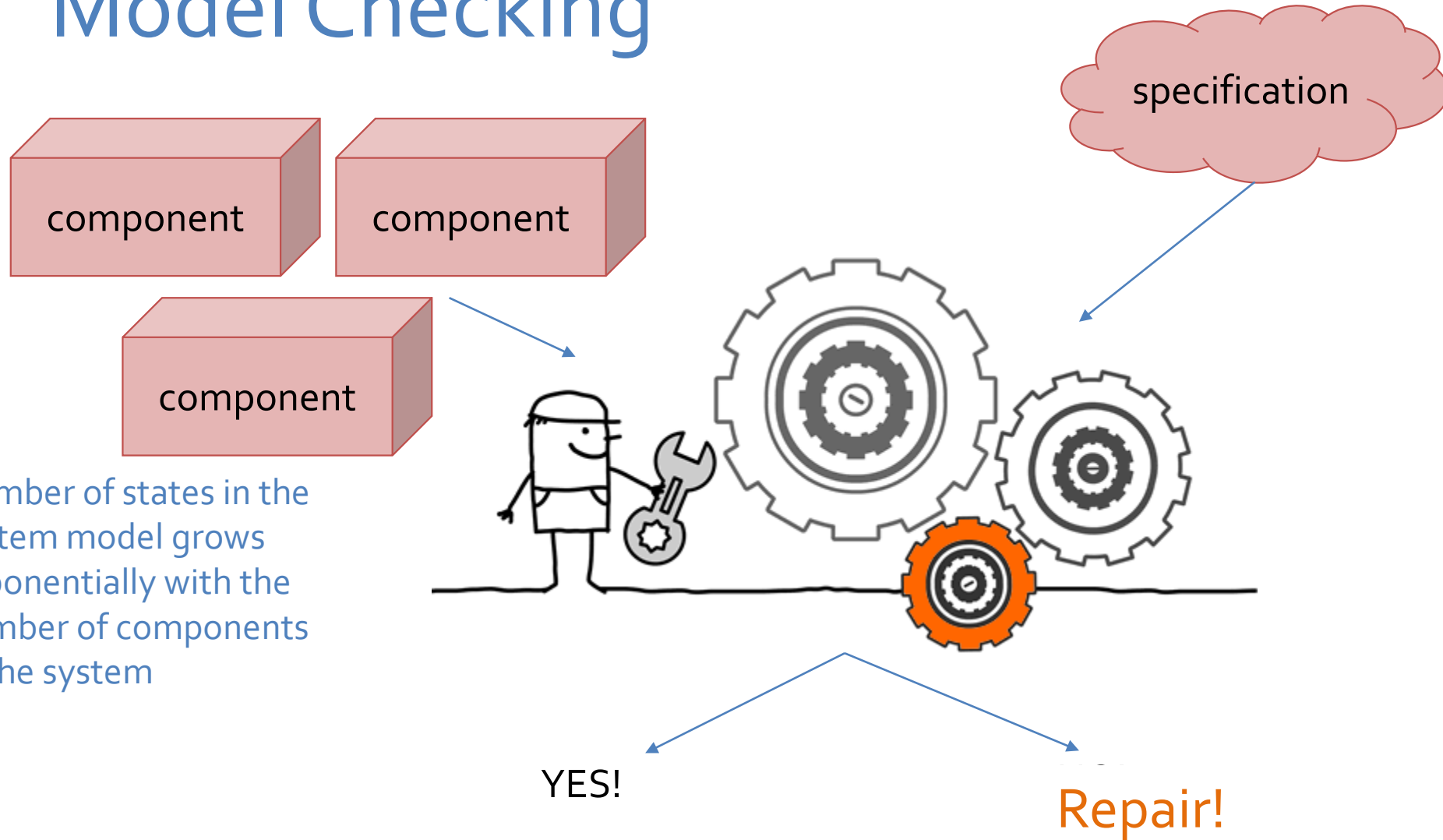
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## State Explosion Problem

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Specification

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YES!

Repair!

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- *Model checking and repair* algorithm for communicating systems
- Exploit the partition of the system into components



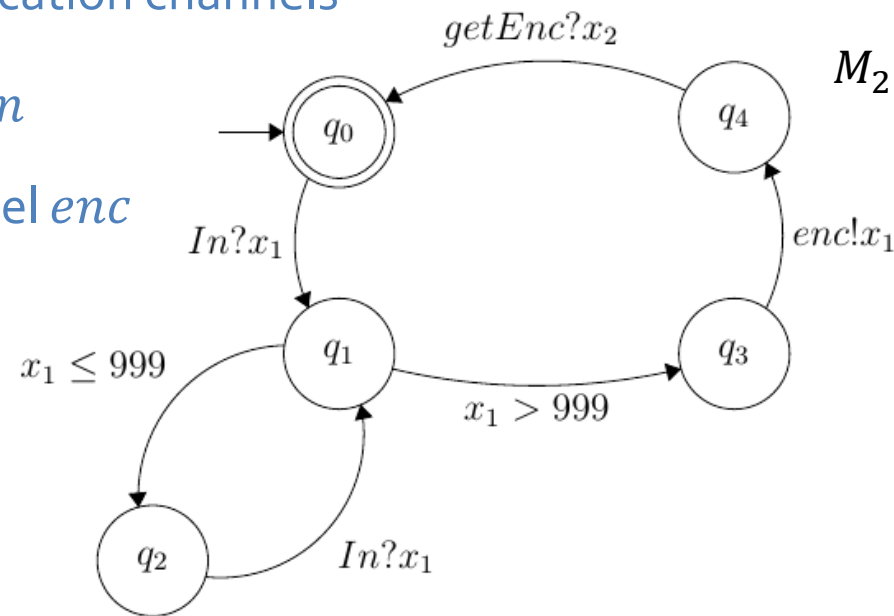
# Communicating Systems

- C-like programs
- Each component is described as a control-flow graph (automaton)
  - Alphabet: program statements & communication channels
- $In?x_1$  – reads a value to  $x_1$  through channel  $In$
- $enc!x_1$  – sends the value of  $x_1$  through channel  $enc$

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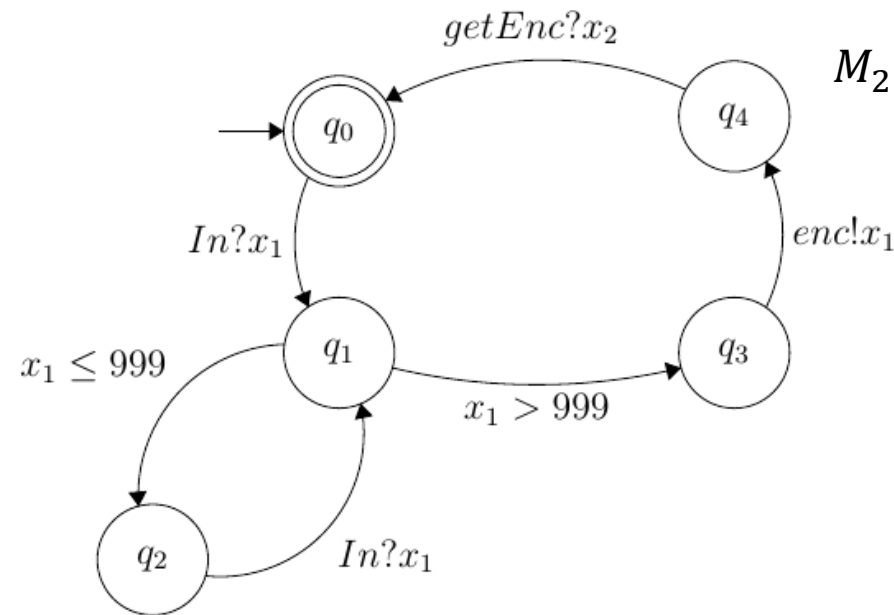
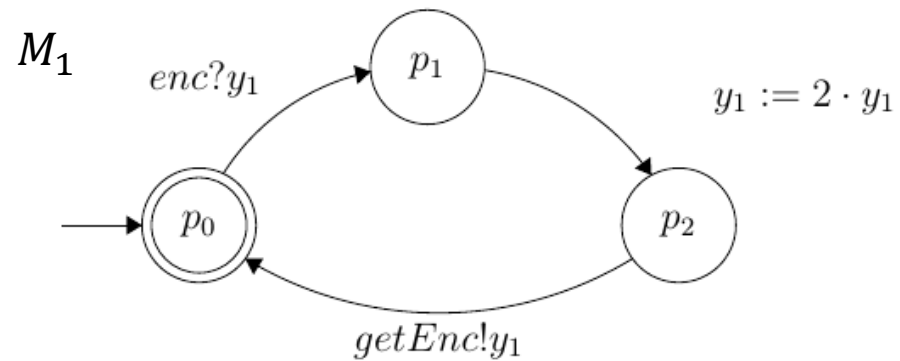
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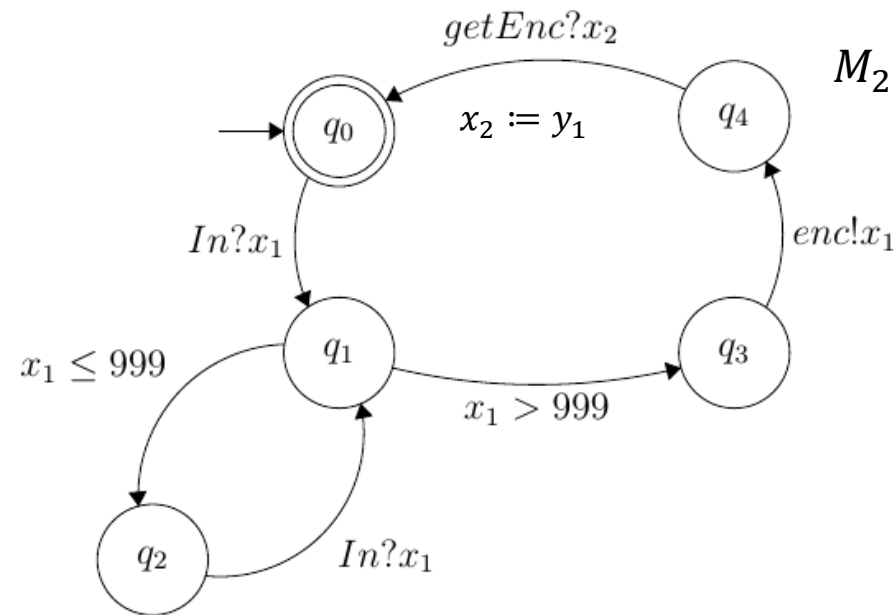
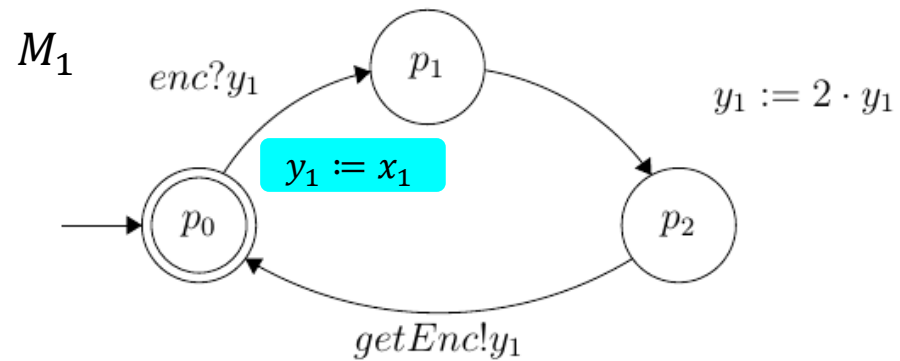
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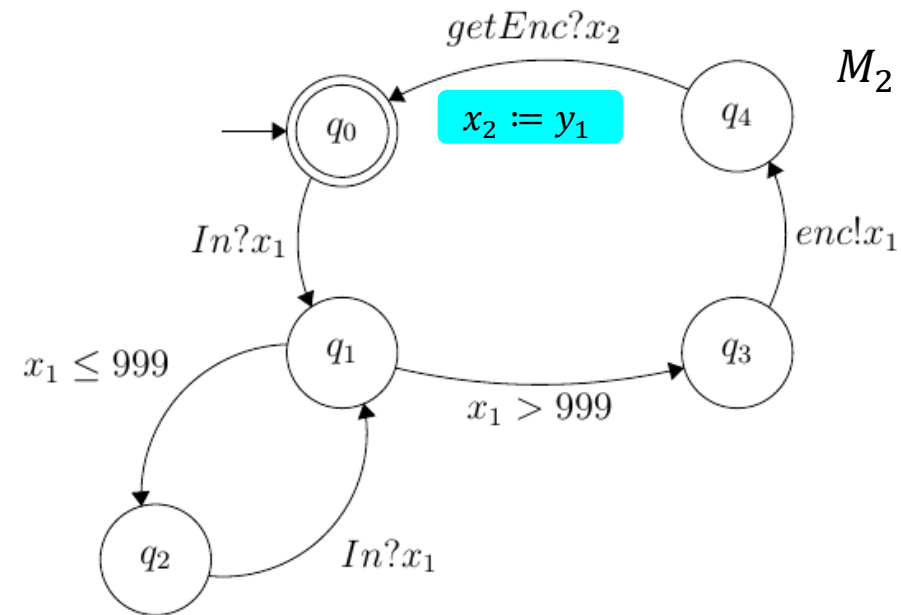
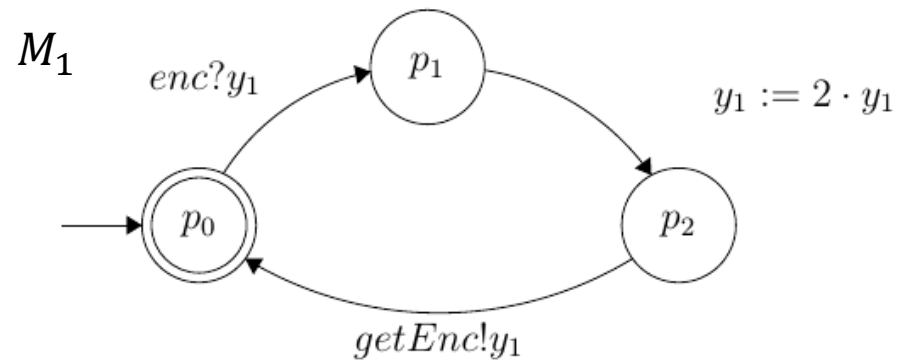
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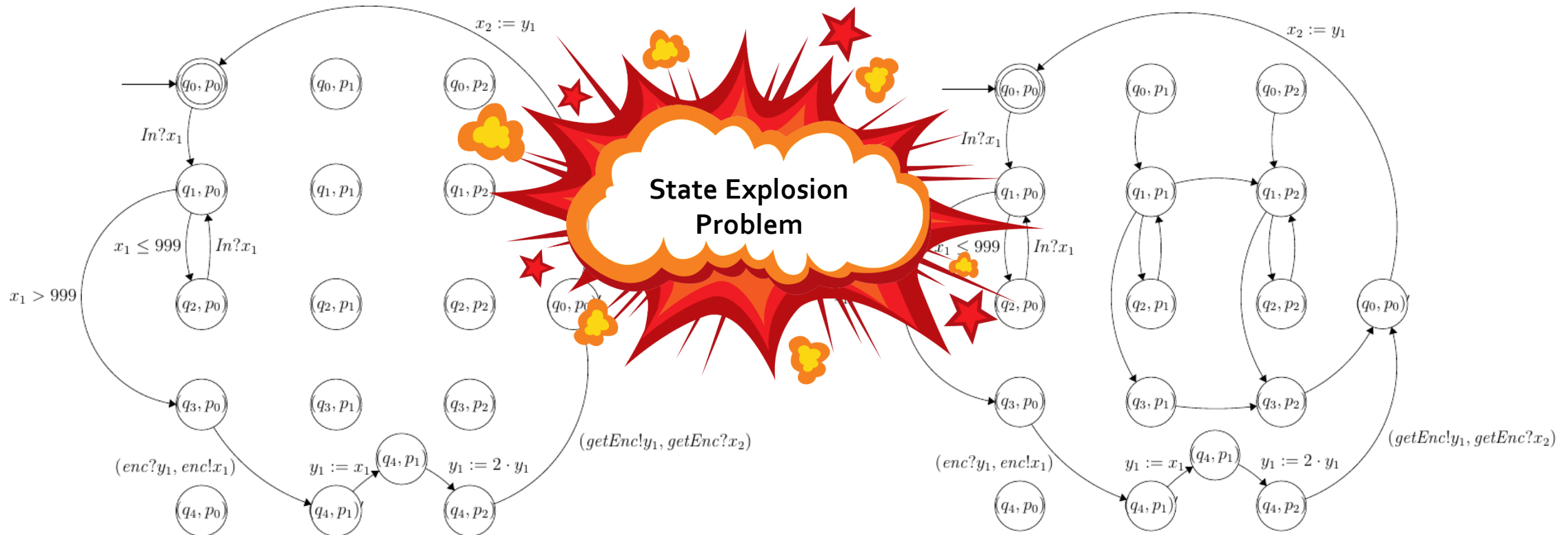
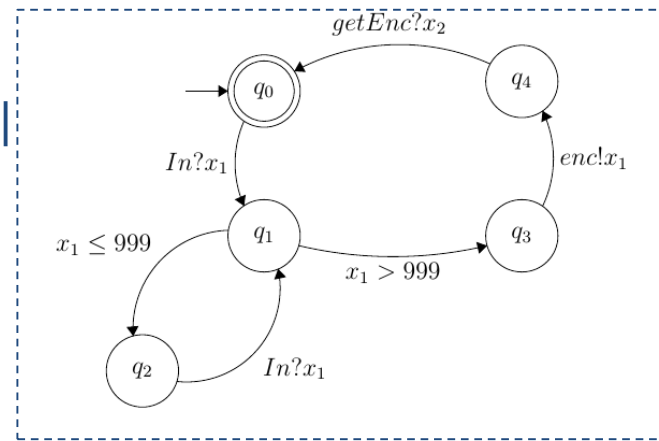
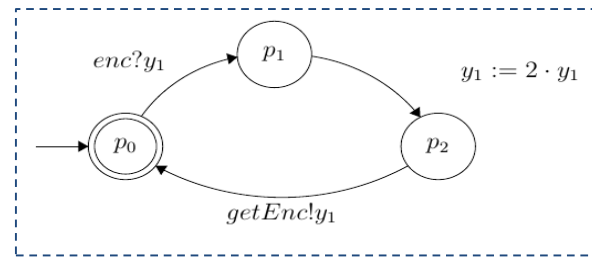


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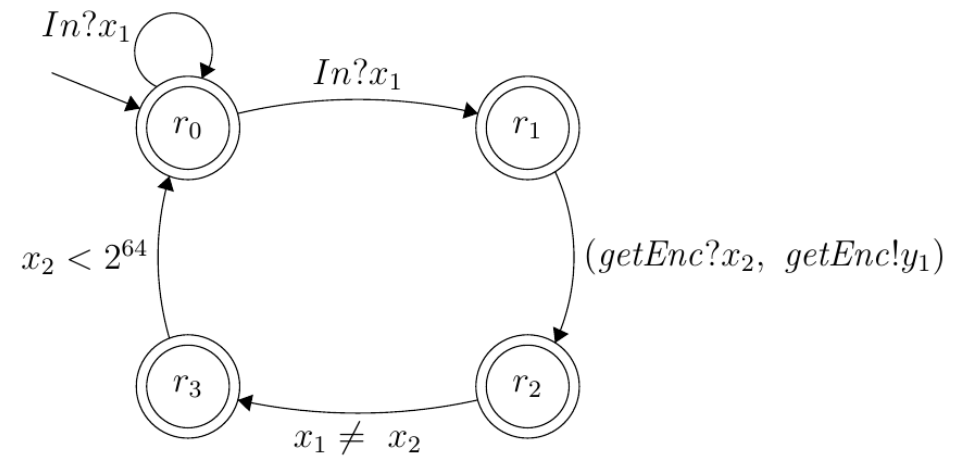


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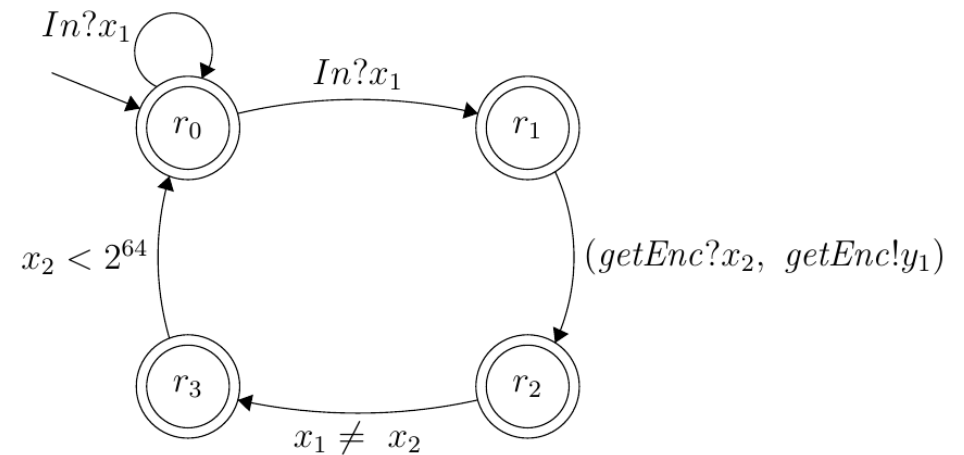
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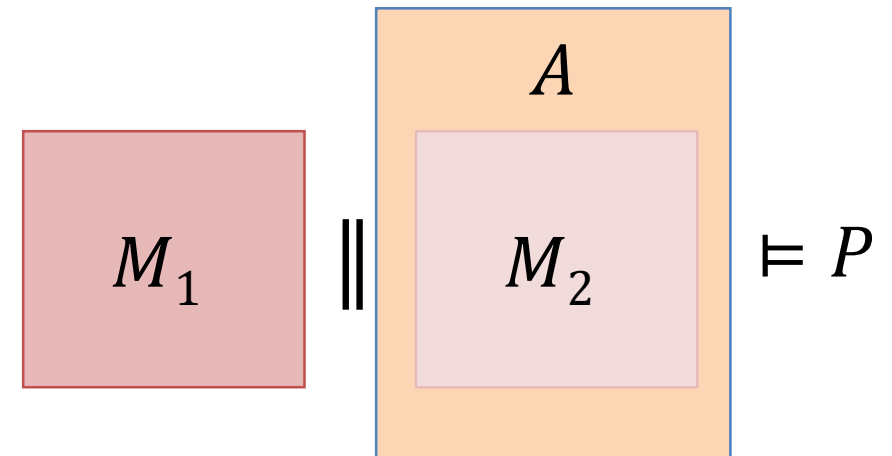
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- **Constraints over local variables**
- Semantic requirements:
  - “the entered password is different from the encrypted password”
  - “there is no overflow”



# Compositional Verification

- **Assume-Guarantee** (AG) paradigm [Pnueli, 1985]:
  - assumptions represent component's environment
- Under assumption  $A$  on its environment, does the component guarantee the property?

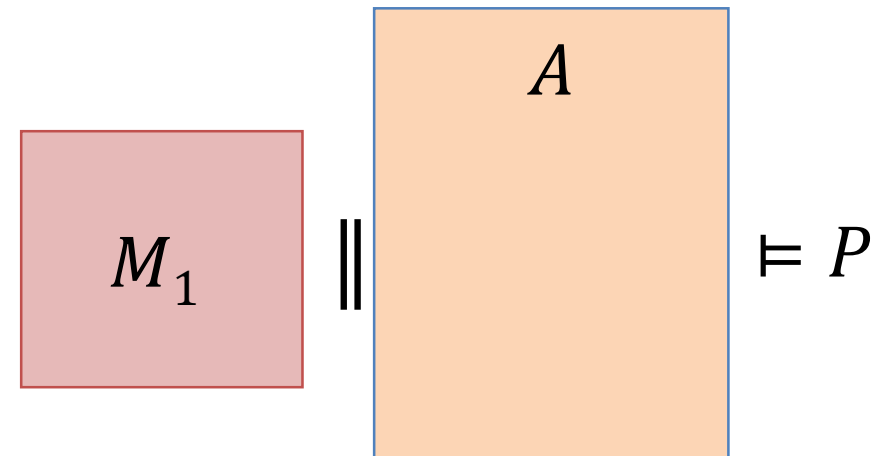


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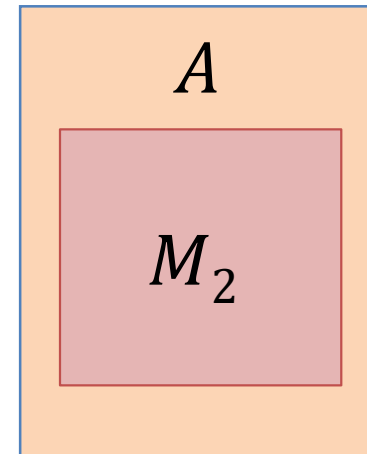
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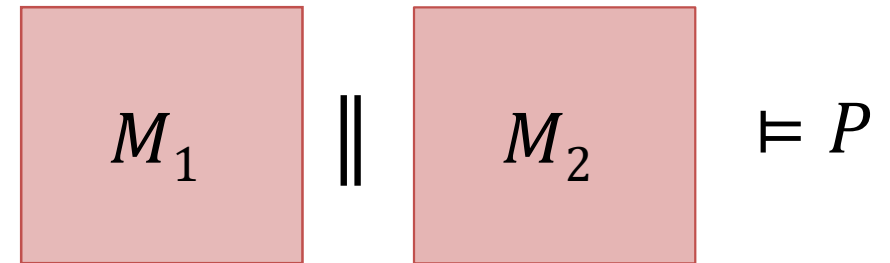
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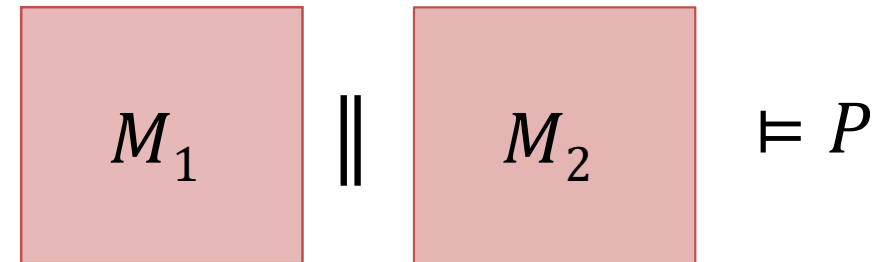
Can we

- $M_2$  satisfies  $A$  automatically

$$M_2 \models A$$

construct  $A$ ?

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- Try to use intermediate candidates  $A_i$  as assumptions for AG rule
- **But, the weakest assumption is not regular in our case**



Weakest  
assumption

$$M_1 \parallel A_i \models P$$

$$M_2 \models A_i$$

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But I already know  $M_2$  ...

You might find a much smaller assumption!



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Membership  
queries



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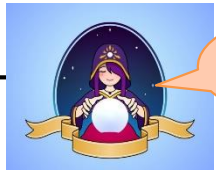


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# AG rule with learning



Real error!

Membership queries



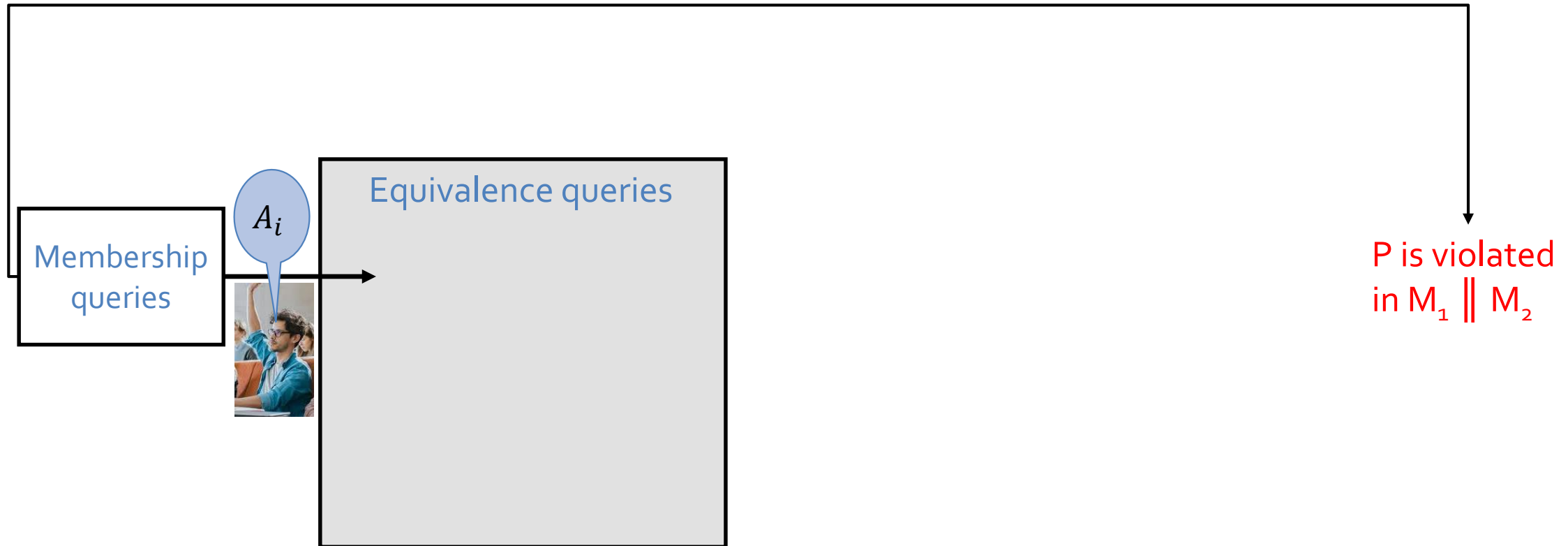
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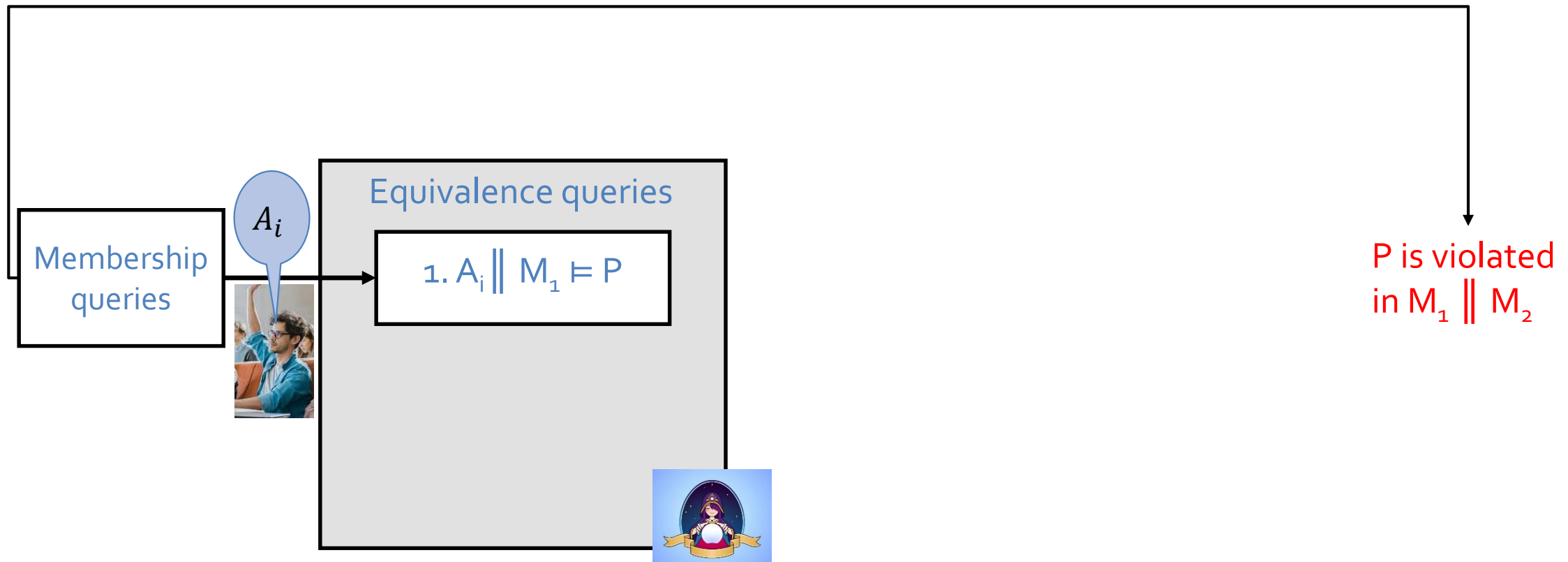
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P is violated  
in  $M_1 \parallel M_2$

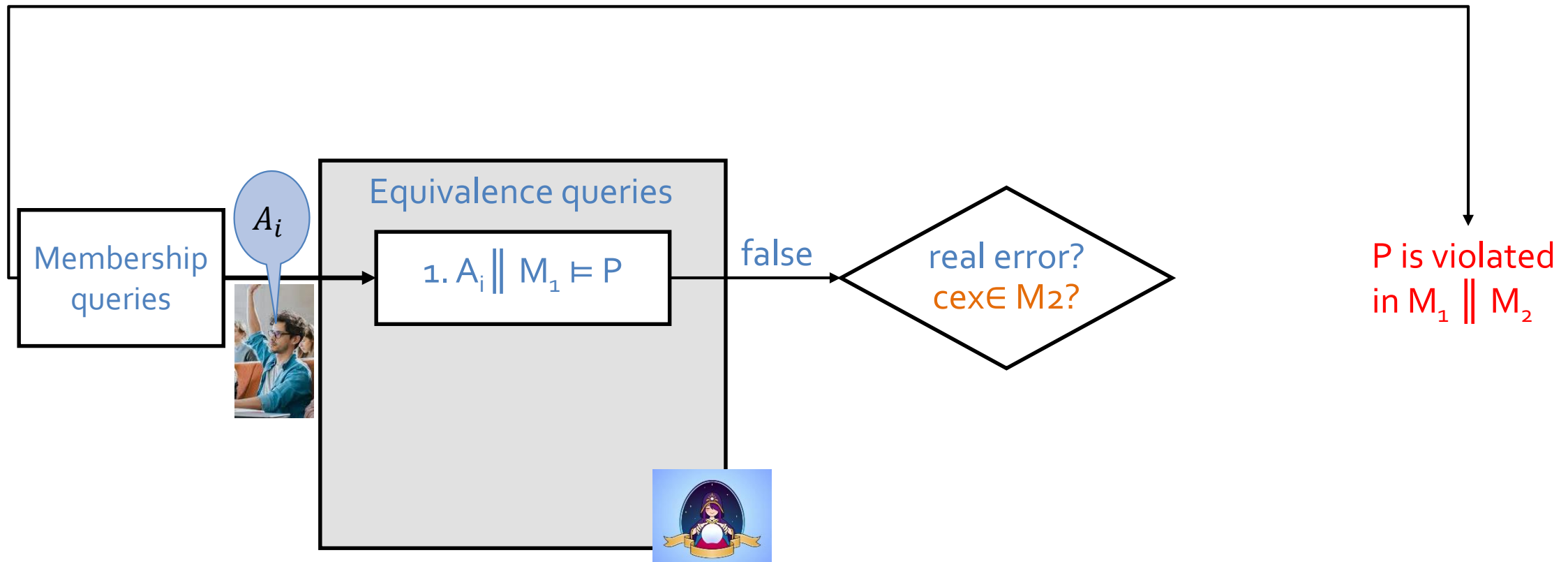
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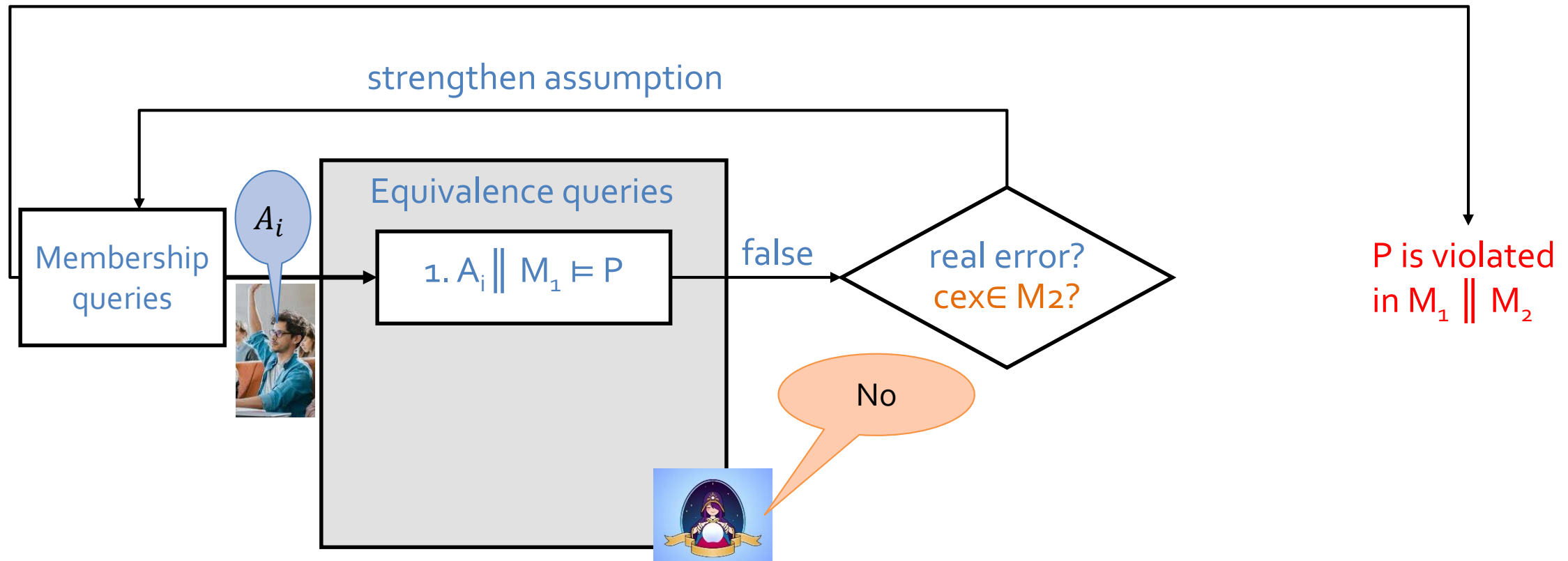
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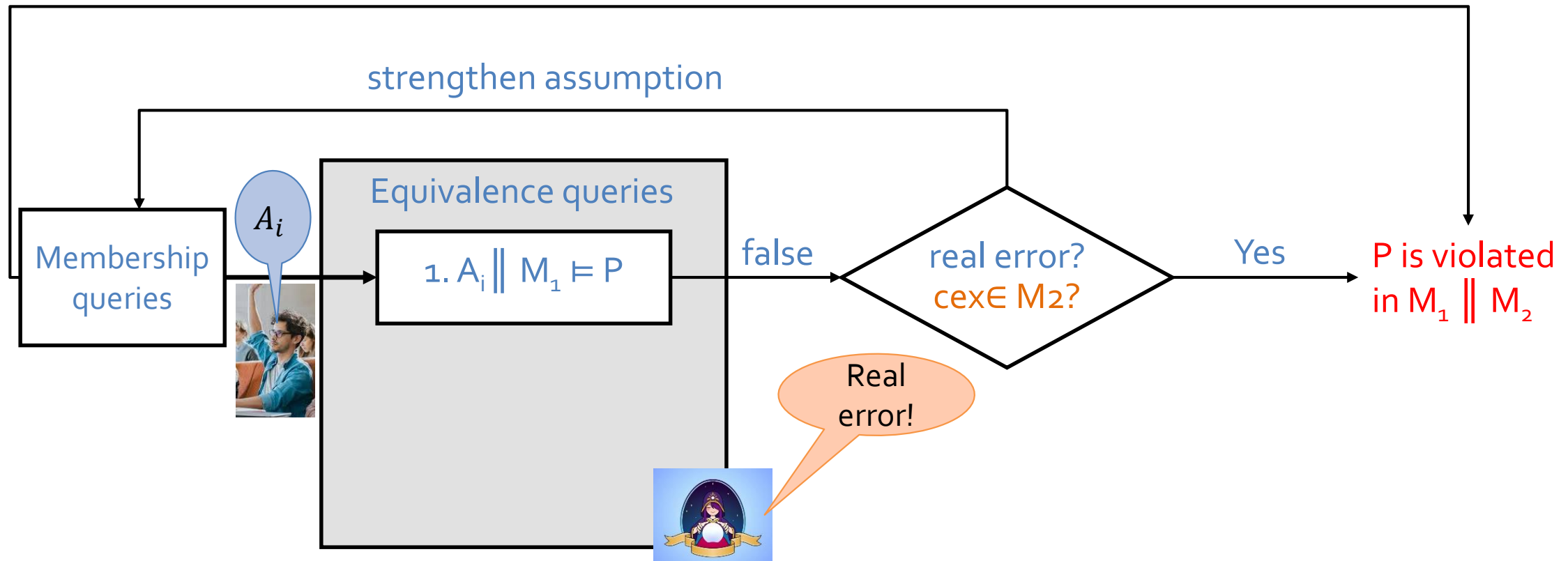
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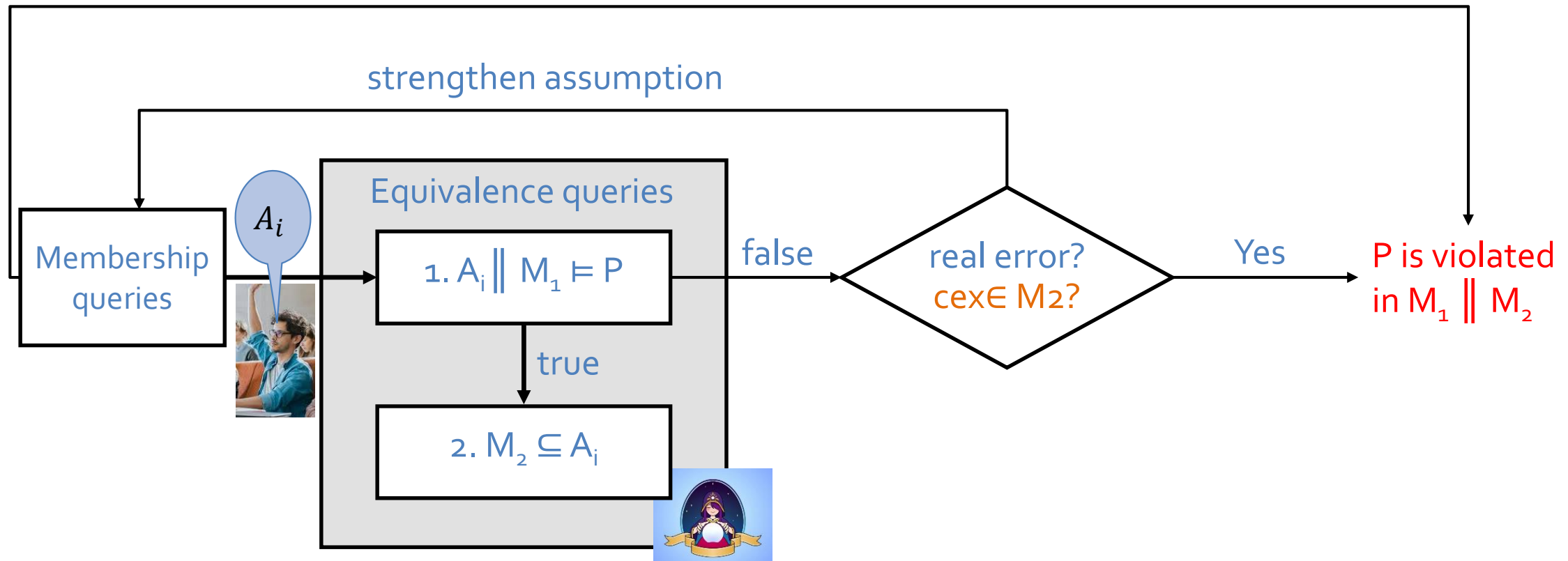
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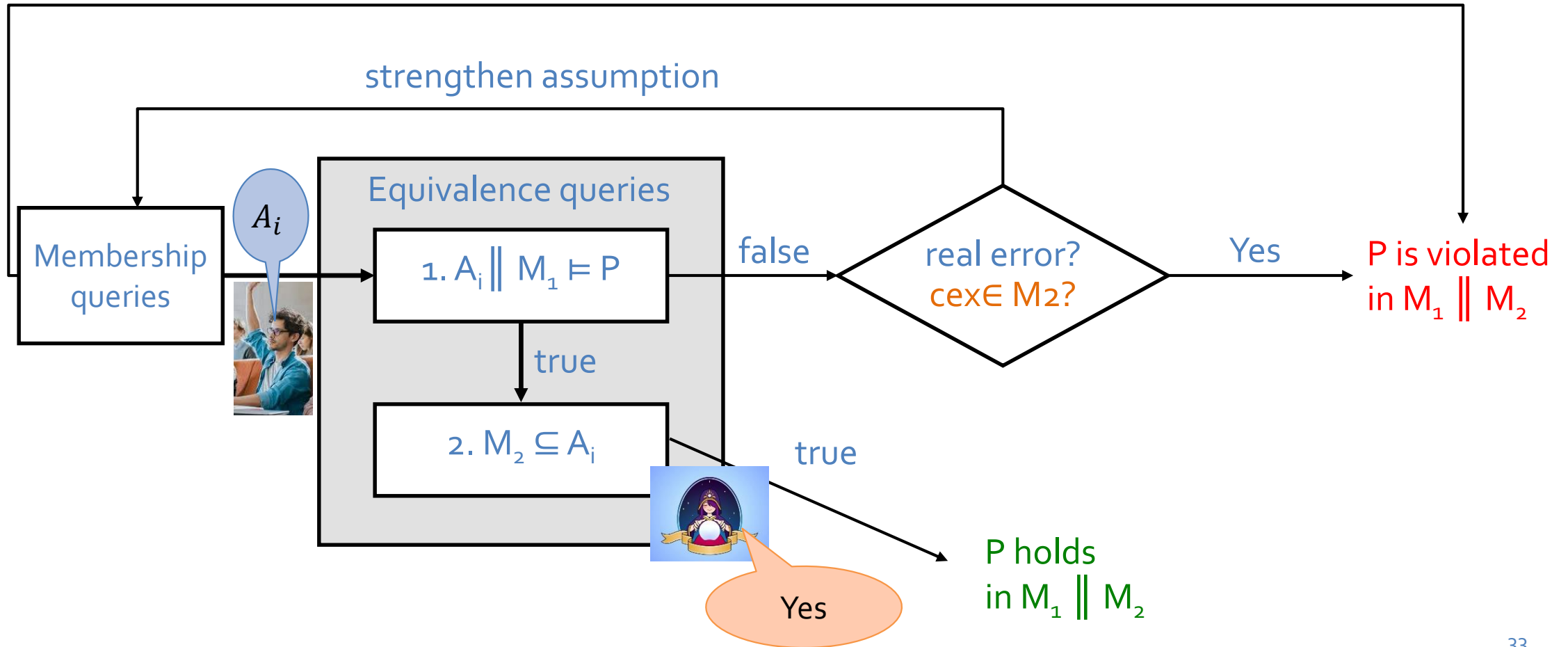
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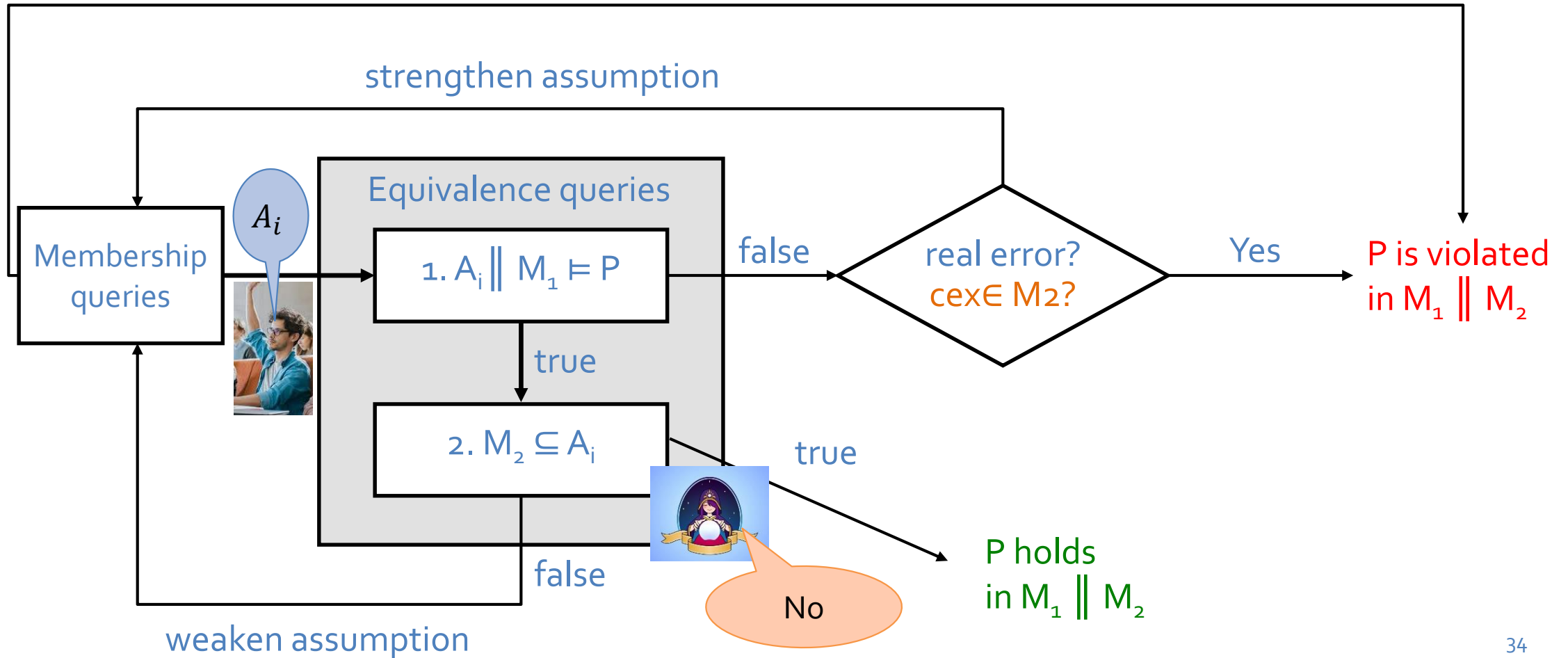


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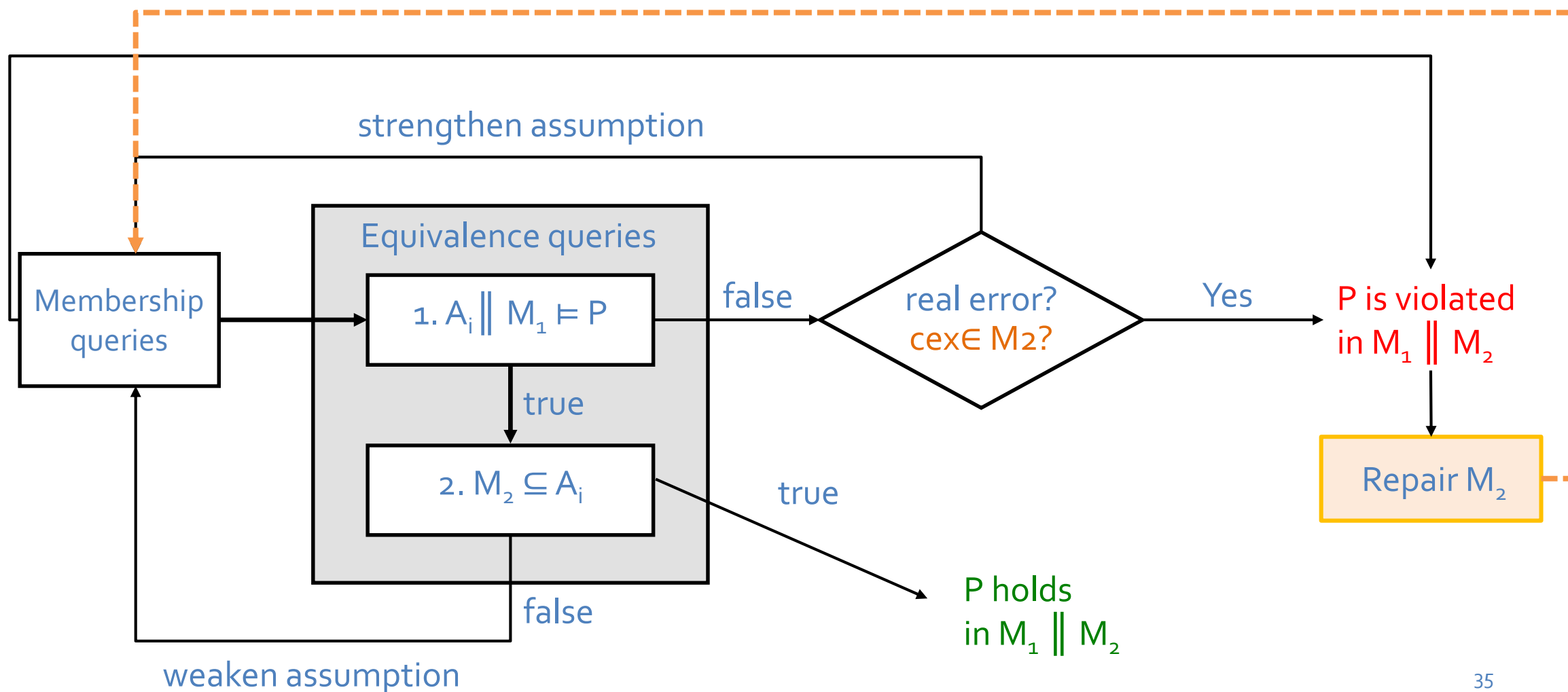


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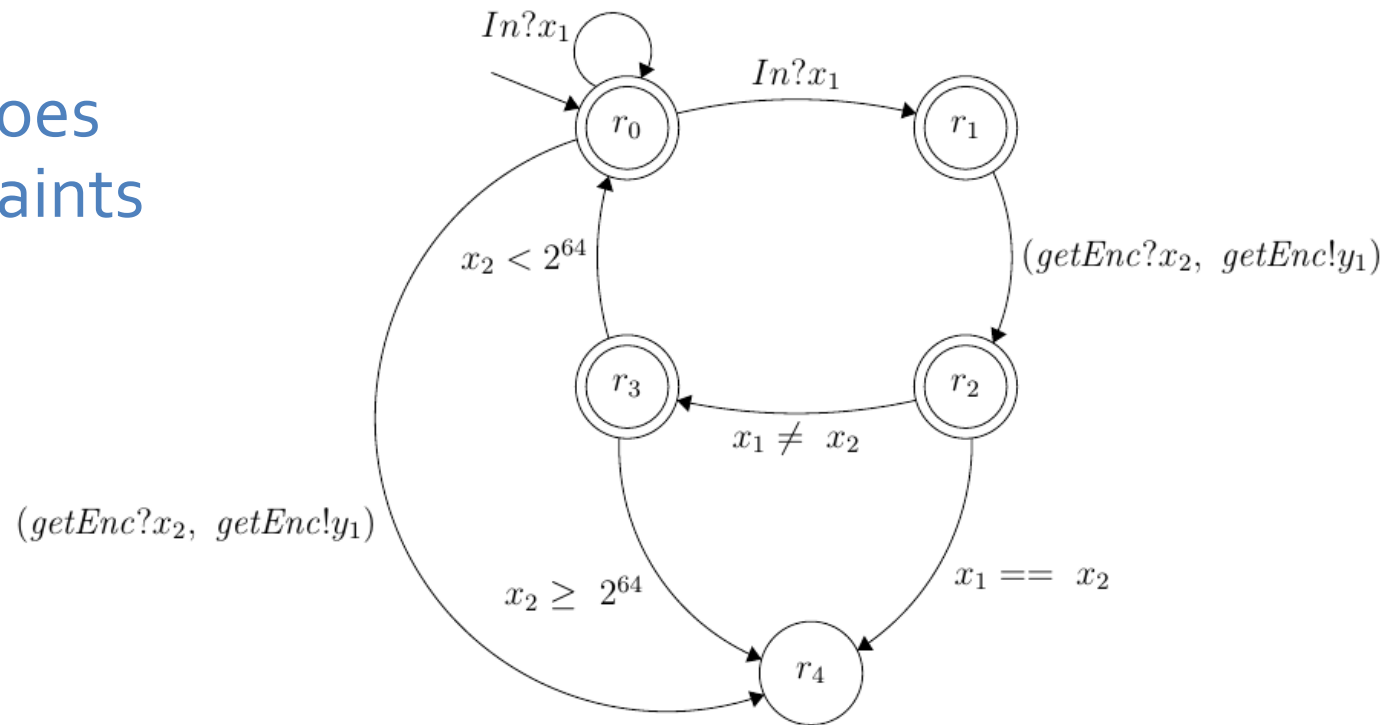


# Assume Guarantee or Repair

- Repair by elimination of error traces
- Two types of repair
  - Syntactic repair
  - Semantic repair

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Syntactic repair –  
counterexample does  
not contain constraints

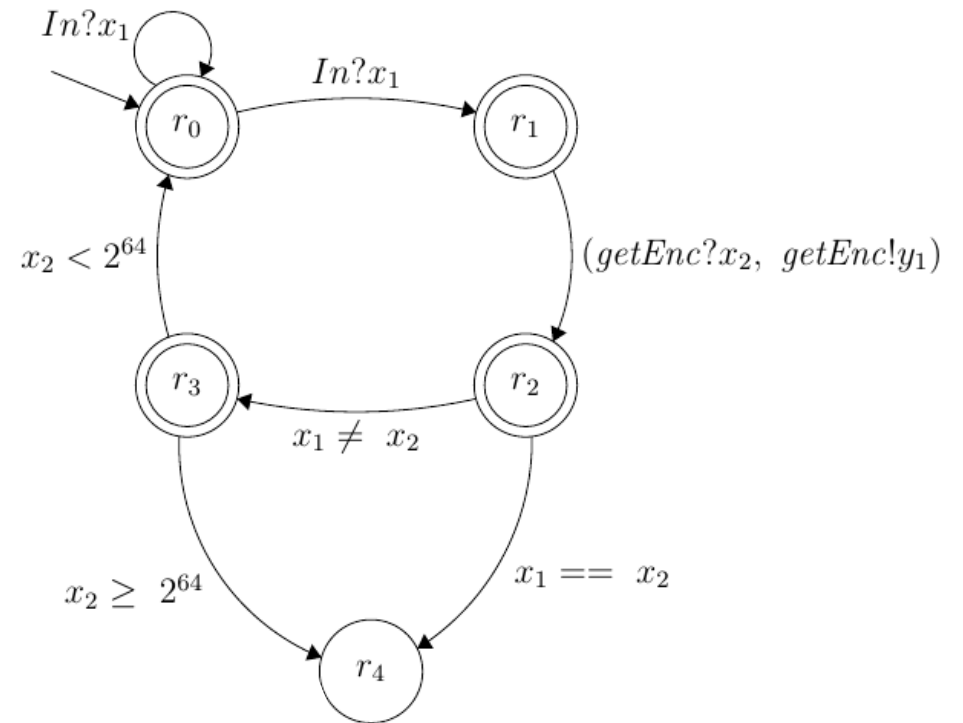
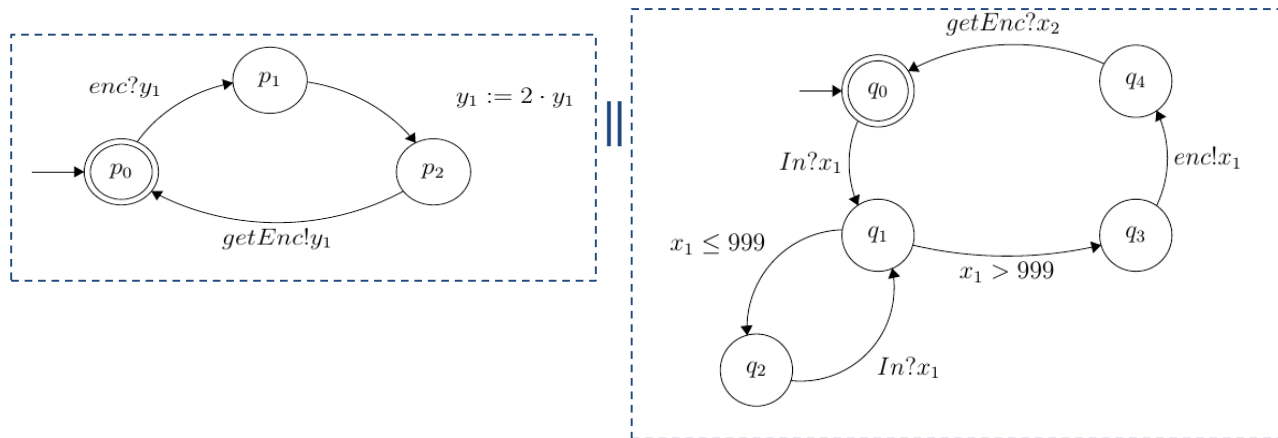


# Syntactic Repair

- Implemented 3 methods to removing the trace  $t$ :
  - **Exact**  
remove exactly  $t$  from  $M_2$
  - **Approximate**  
add an intermediate state and use it to direct some traces off the accepting state, including  $t$
  - **Aggressive**  
make the accepting state that  $t$  reaches not-accepting

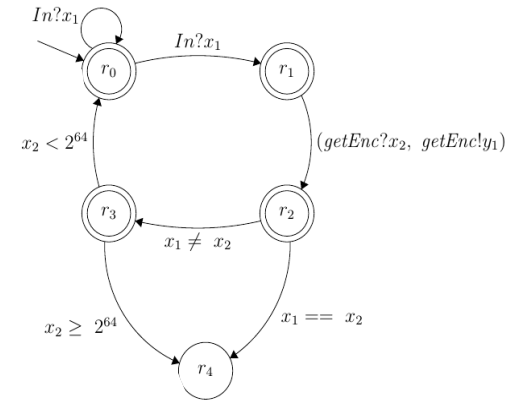
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Semantic repair –  
counterexample contains  
violated constraints of the  
specification



# Semantic Repair

- AGR returns a counterexample  $t$ , for input  $x_1 = 2^{63}$
- Goal: make  $t$  infeasible by adding a new constraint  $\mathcal{C}$  such that
  - $(\varphi_t \wedge \mathcal{C} \rightarrow false)$
- Applying abduction, quantifier elimination and simplification results in  $\mathcal{C} = (x_1 < 2^{63})$

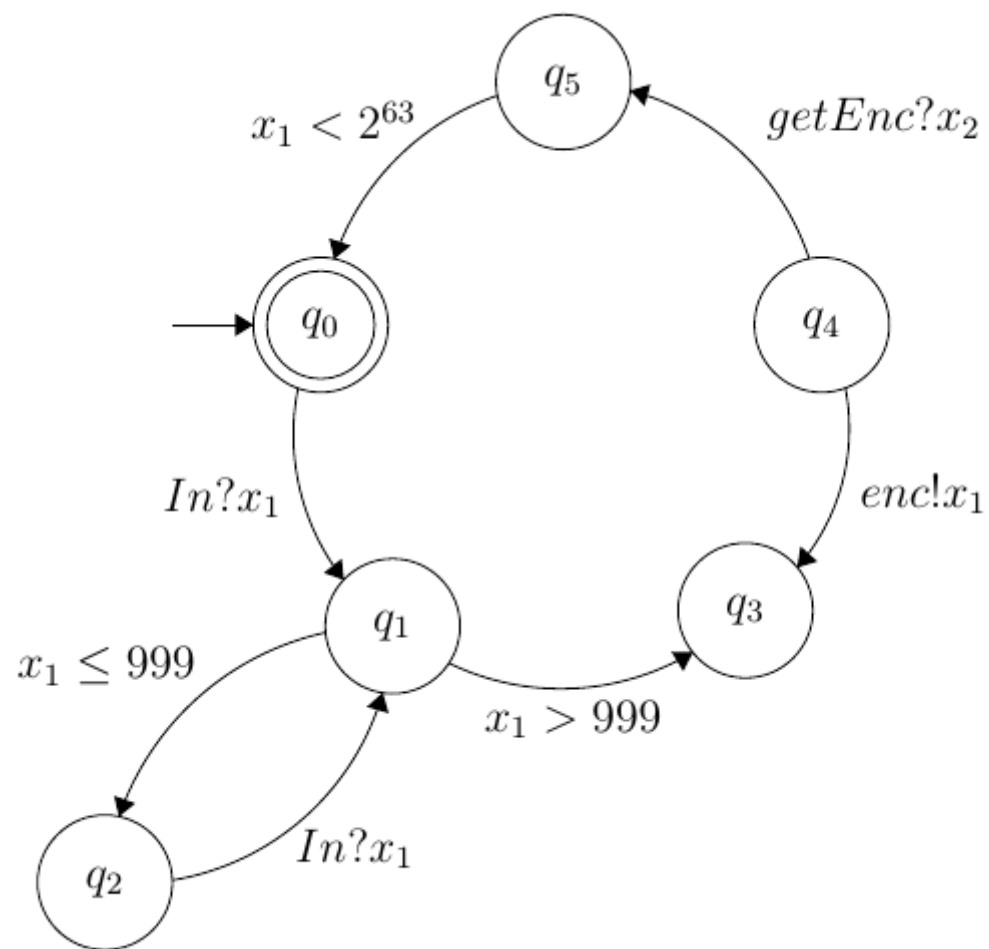


# Result

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5:     pass2 = encrypt(pass);
6:     assume pass < 263;

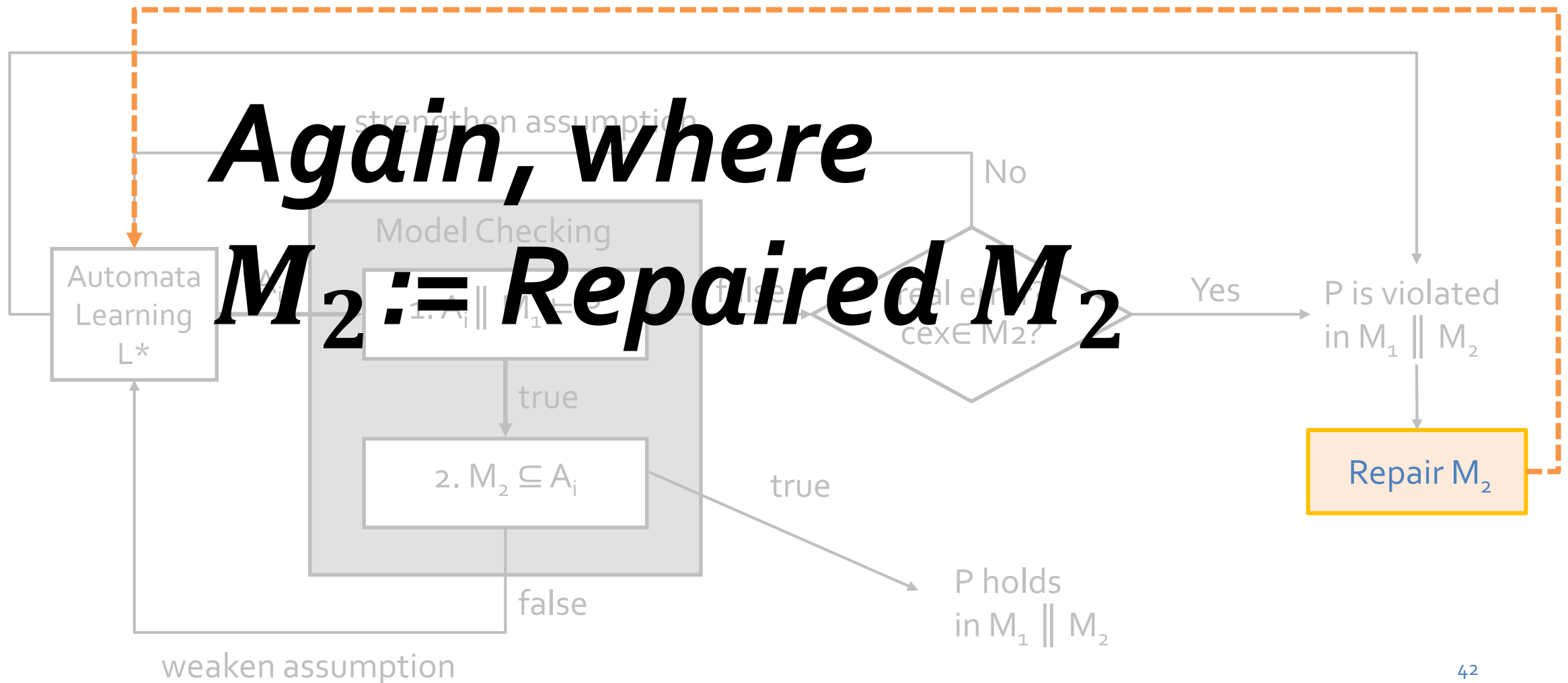
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# Termination

- In case  $M_1 \parallel M_2 \models P$
  - $M_2$  is a correct assumption for the AG rule
  - $M_2$  is regular, therefore  $L^*$  terminates
- In the case of *verification*, termination is guaranteed

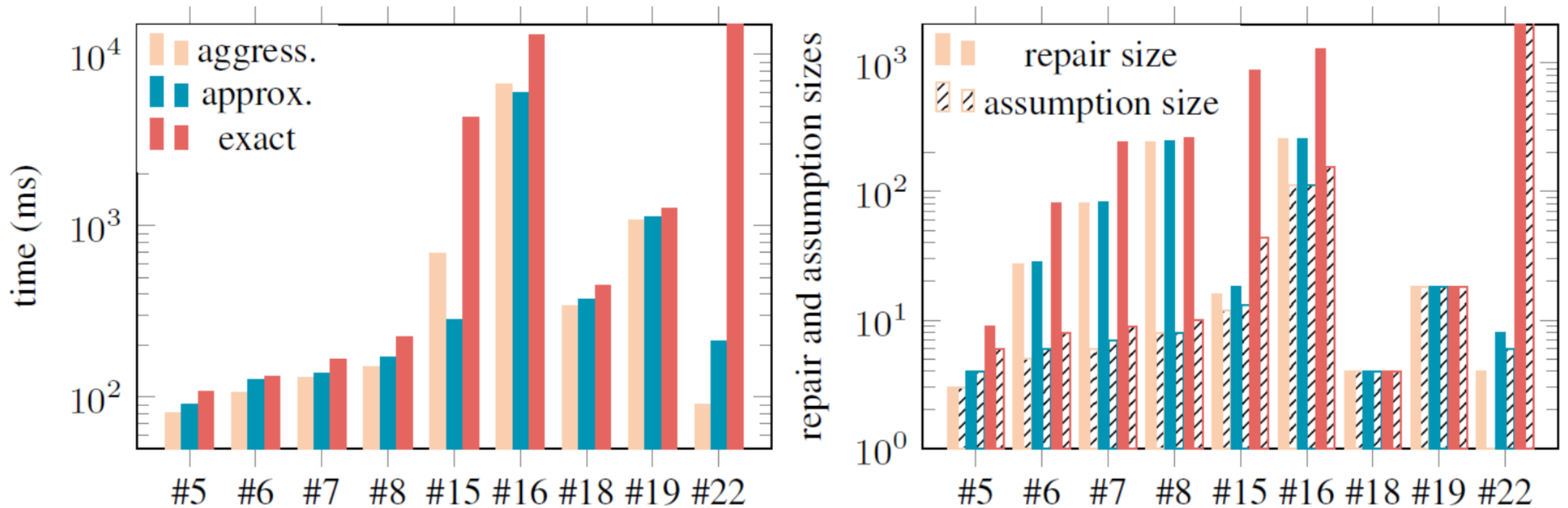
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- In case  $M_1 \parallel M_2 \not\models P$
  - Every iteration with an erroneous  $M_2$  will result in a cex
- In the case of an error, *progress* is guaranteed

# Comparing Repair Methods (logarithmic scale)



#15, #16, #18, #19 apply also abduction

# AGR Summary

- Modular verification for communicating systems
- Adjusting automata learning to systems with data
- Iterative and incremental verification and repair to prove correctness of repaired system



# Thank you! Questions?

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