

Transformations of Logic Programs on Infinite Lists

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Motivations

- Transformations are often useful for theorem proving and program verification: from FOL to clause form, quantifier elimination, from Temporal Logics or Monadic Second Order Logics to Büchi automata.
- Unfold/fold transformations have been used for proving program properties [Kott 1982, P.P. 1993, Roychoudhury et al. 1999, Seki 2009].
- Goal of this work: Define a general framework for proving properties of reactive systems via unfold/fold transformations.

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Reactive Systems

- Reactive systems: communication protocols, security protocols, hardware controllers, etc.
- Various models of reactive systems with infinite behaviour:
 ω -languages,
Buchi automata,
temporal and modal logics.

Logic Programming and Reactive Systems

- GHC [Ueda 86], CCP [Saraswat 89]: infinite executions, no infinite lists
- Temporal Logic Programming [Abadi-Manna 89]: temporal specifications, no infinite lists
- LP with rational trees [Colmerauer 82]: CLP with equality and inequality constraints on finite and infinite terms
- Coinductive LP [Gupta et al. 2006-2010]: rational trees, greatest fixed-points, coinductive hypothesis rule
- ω -programs: perfect model semantics, no new operational semantics
- Easy extension of program transformation techniques from LP on finite terms to ω -programs

ω -programs

- ω -programs are typed logic programs with three types:
fterm (finite term), elem (element of an infinite list), ilist (infinite list).
- $[_ | _]$: elem \times ilist \rightarrow ilist is interpreted as the constructor of infinite lists.
- Each predicate has at most one argument of type ilist (to avoid unification between infinite lists).

Semantics of ω -programs

- The Herbrand base B_ω is defined on the Herbrand universe extended with infinite lists.
- A local stratification is a function $\sigma: B_\omega \rightarrow W$, where W is the set of countable ordinals. For $A \in B_\omega$, $\sigma(\neg A) = \sigma(A) + 1$.
- Given two literals L_1 and L_2 , $L_1 \geq \sigma L_2$ if for all groundings $v(L_1)$, $v(L_2)$ of L_1 , L_2 , $\sigma(v(L_1)) \geq \sigma(v(L_2))$. Similarly for $>\sigma$ and $=\sigma$.
- A clause $H \leftarrow L_1 \wedge \dots \wedge L_n$ is locally stratified wrt σ if, for $i=1,\dots,n$, $H \geq \sigma L_i$. An ω -program P is locally stratified if there exists σ s.t. every clause in P is locally stratified wrt σ .
- For a locally stratified ω -program P , the perfect model $M(P)$ is constructed as a subset of B_ω , by induction on W .

Examples of ω -programs

Let $\{a,b\}$ be the set of constants of type elem.

Let L be a variable of type ilist (i.e., L ranges over $(a+b)^\omega$).

$$\begin{array}{ll} P: \quad p([a|L]) \leftarrow q(L) & p(L) \in M(P) \text{ iff } L \in a(a+b)^\omega \\ & q(L) \leftarrow \\ & & q(L) \in M(P) \text{ iff } L \in (a+b)^\omega \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} P: \quad p(L) \leftarrow \neg q(L) & p(L) \in M(P) \text{ iff } L \in a^\omega \\ & q([a|L]) \leftarrow q(L) \\ & q([b|L]) \leftarrow \\ & & q(L) \in M(P) \text{ iff } L \in a^*b(a+b)^\omega \end{array}$$

$$P: \quad p([a|L]) \leftarrow p(L) \quad M(P) = \emptyset.$$

Monadic ω -programs

- A monadic ω -program is a set of clauses of the form:

$$p_0([s|X_0]) \leftarrow p_1(X_1) \wedge \dots \wedge p_k(X_k) \wedge \neg p_{k+1}(X_{k+1}) \wedge \dots \wedge \neg p_m(X_m)$$

where:

- s is a constant of type elem,
- $X_0, X_1, \dots, X_k, X_{k+1}, \dots, X_m$ are variables of type ilist, and
- there exists a level mapping $h: \text{Pred} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that:
 - for $i=1, \dots, k$, if $X_i = X_0$ then $h(p_i) \leq h(p_0)$ else $h(p_i) < h(p_0)$
 - for $i=k+1, \dots, m$, $h(p_i) < h(p_0)$

- Some of the predicates p_i 's may be nullary.
- A monadic ω -program is stratified (hence locally stratified).

Decidability of Monadic ω -programs

There exists an algorithm M_{Dec} such that, given any monadic ω -program T and unary predicate p , terminates and checks whether or not

$$M(T) \models \exists X p(X)$$

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A Transformation-based Proof Method

Given any ω -program P and unary predicate p , in order to prove
 $M(P) \models \exists X p(X)$

1. Try to transform P into a monadic ω -program T , such that

$$M(P) \models \exists X p(X) \quad \text{iff} \quad M(T) \models \exists X p(X)$$

2. Apply **Mdec**

Transformation Sequences

- The transformation from P to T is a transformation sequence:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} P & & T \\ \| & & \| \end{array}$$

$$P_0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow P_n$$

- P_0, P_1, \dots, P_n are locally stratified ω -programs;
- $P_i \rightarrow P_{i+1}$ is an application of a transformation rule among: Definition Introduction, Instantiation, Positive Unfolding, Negative Unfolding, Positive Folding, Negative Folding, Subsumption.
- The transformation rules are similar to [Seki 91, Maher 93, Roychoudhury et al. 02, FPP 04, Seki 09], but with different applicability conditions, needed for the correctness of the proof technique.

An Example of Transformation

Property: There exists an infinite list $L=[s_0, s_1, s_2, \dots]$ in $\{a,b\}^{\omega}$ whose elements at even positions are all a's (that is, $a=s_0=s_2=\dots$):

$$\exists L \boxed{\forall X (\text{position}(X) \wedge \text{even}(X) \rightarrow \text{member}(X,L,a))}$$

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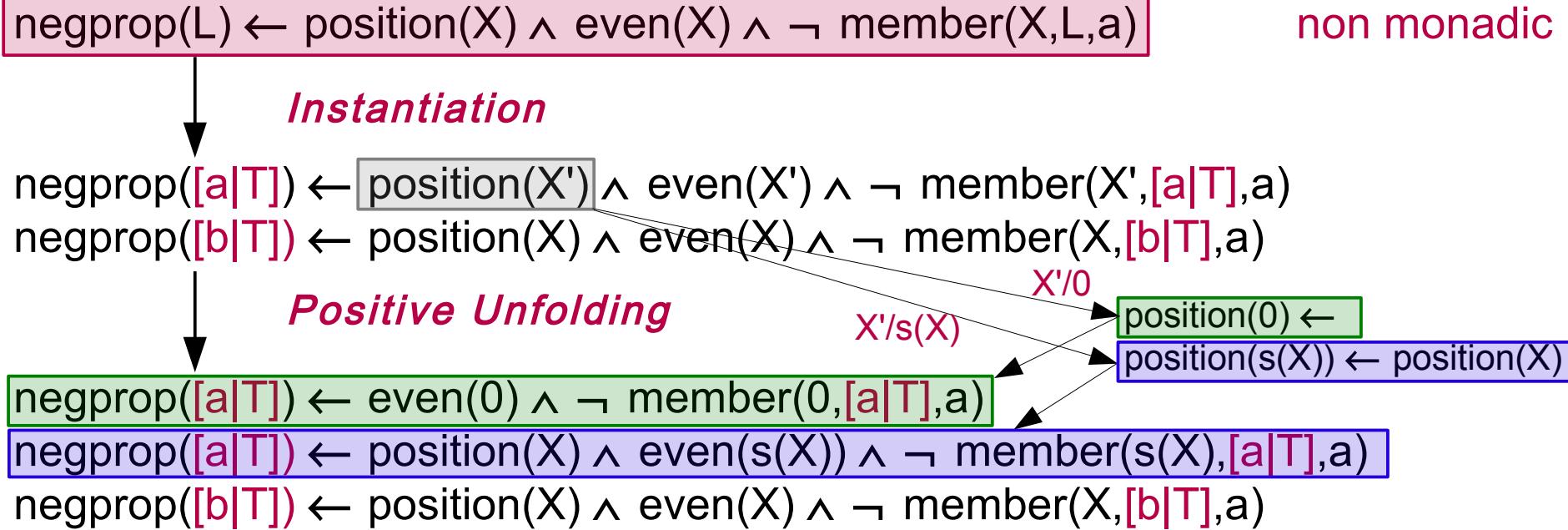
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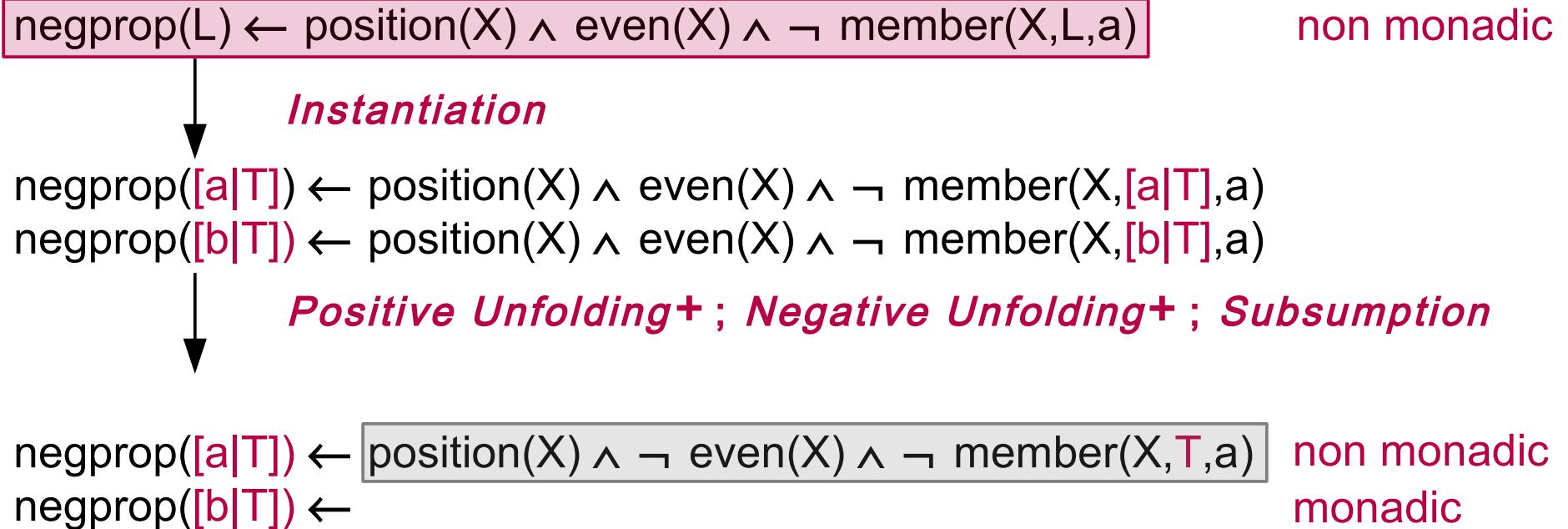
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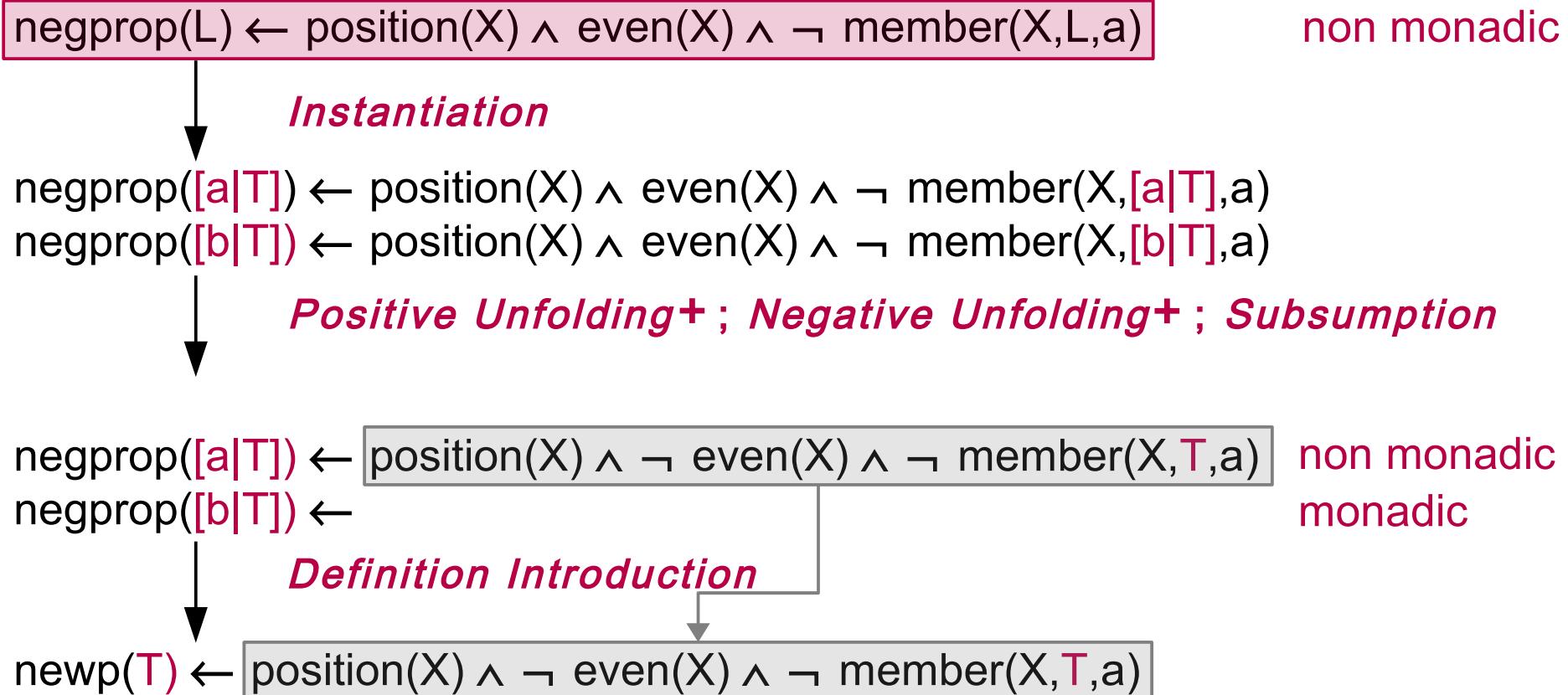
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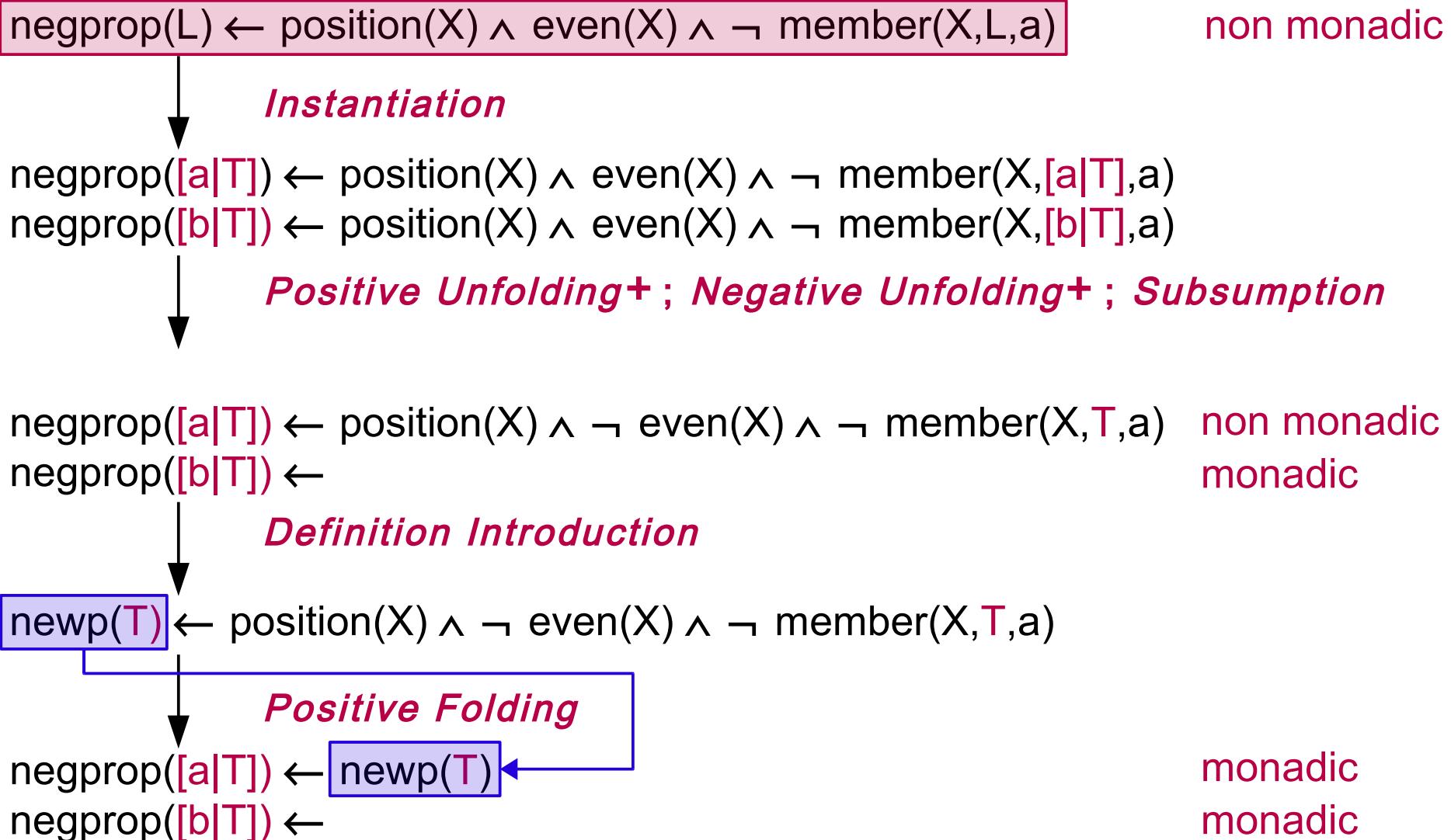
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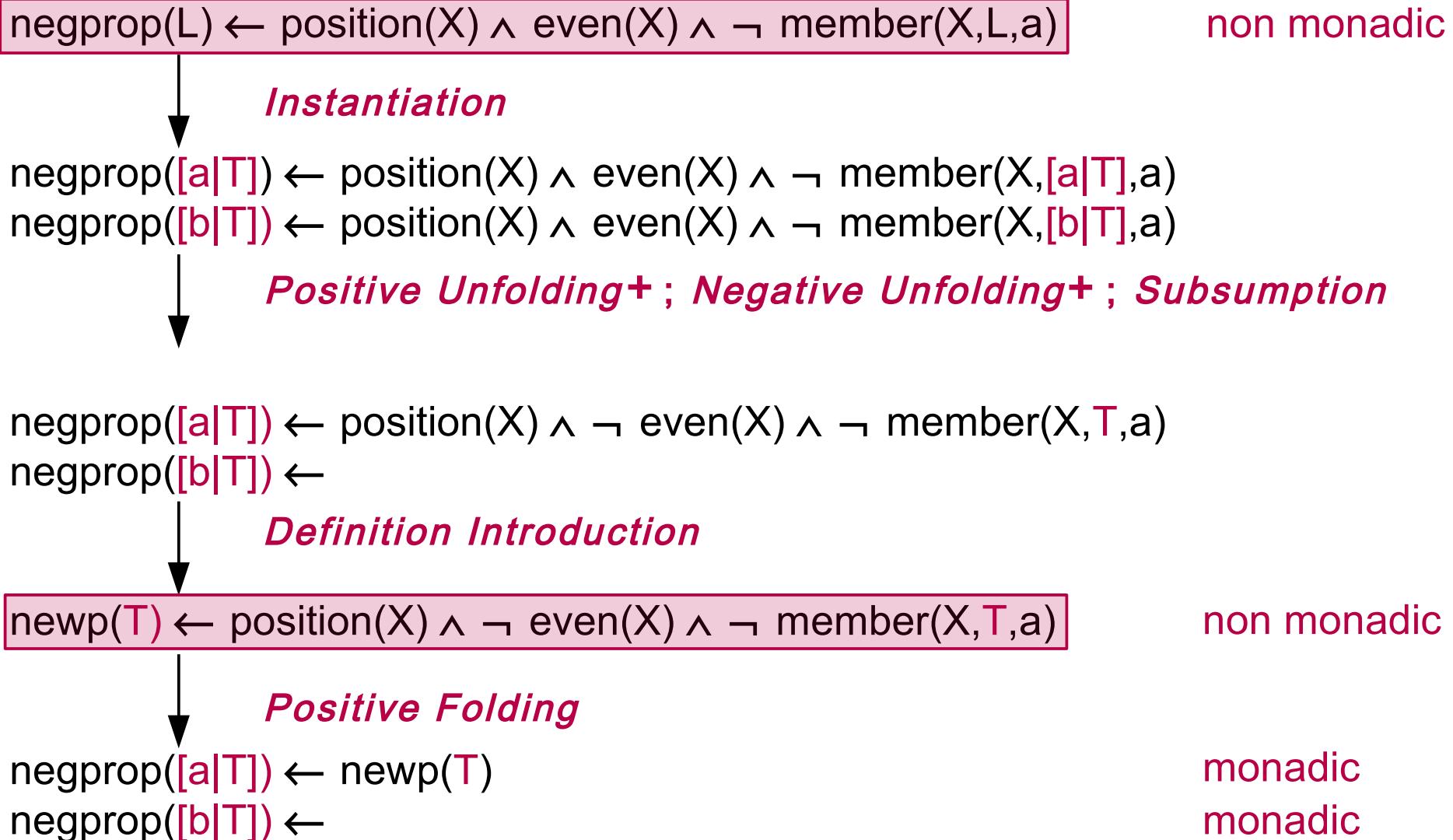
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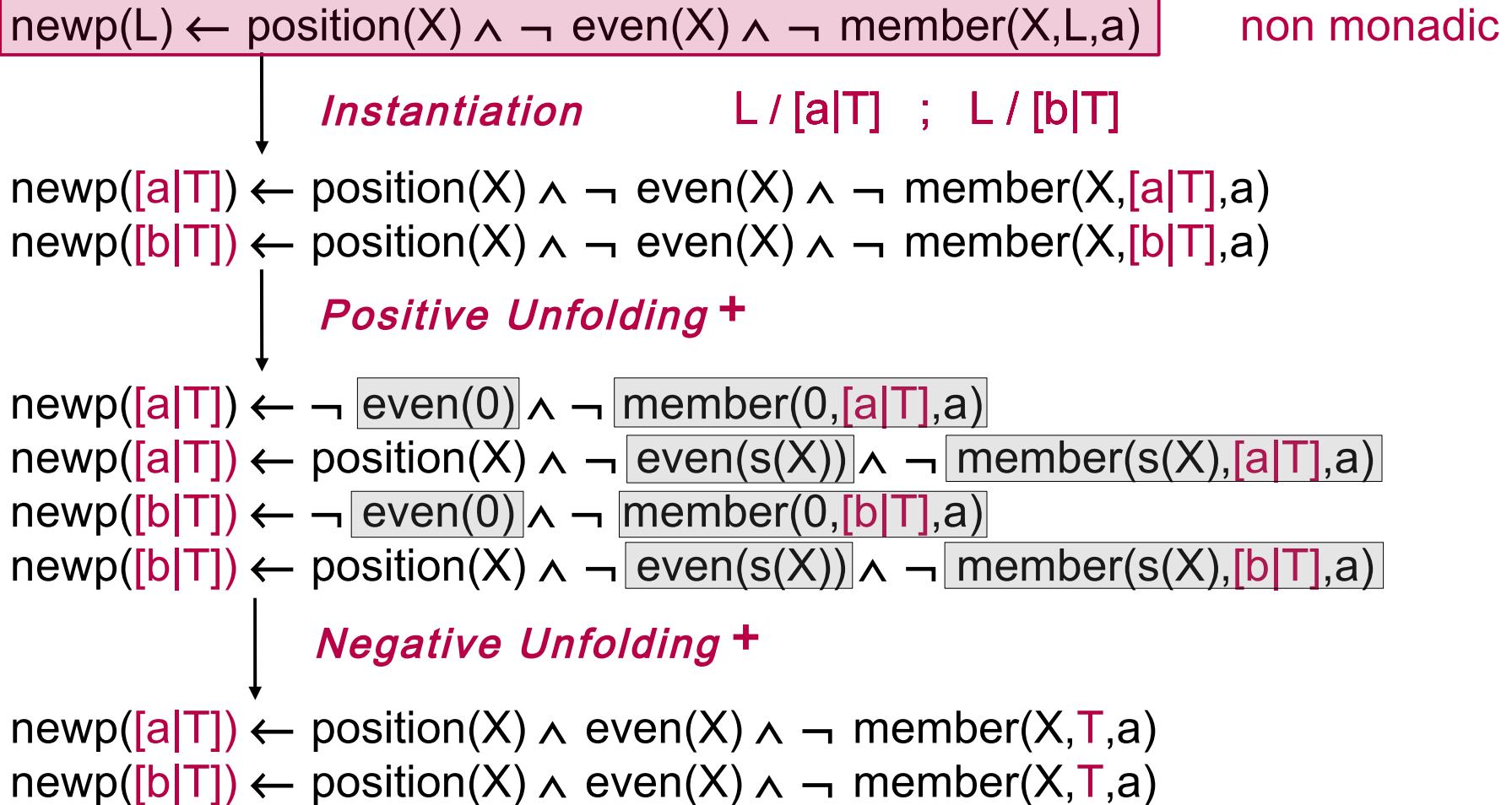
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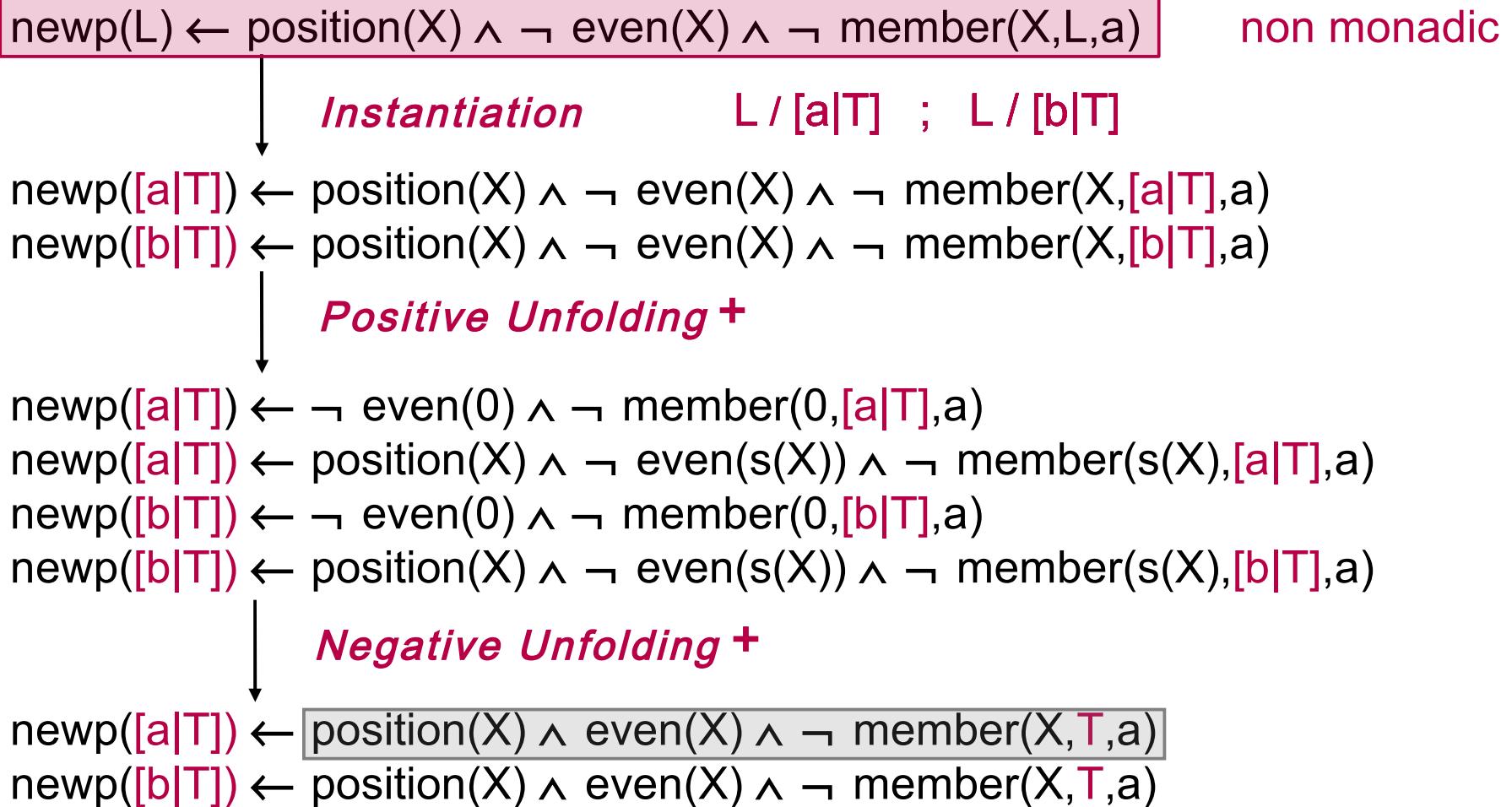
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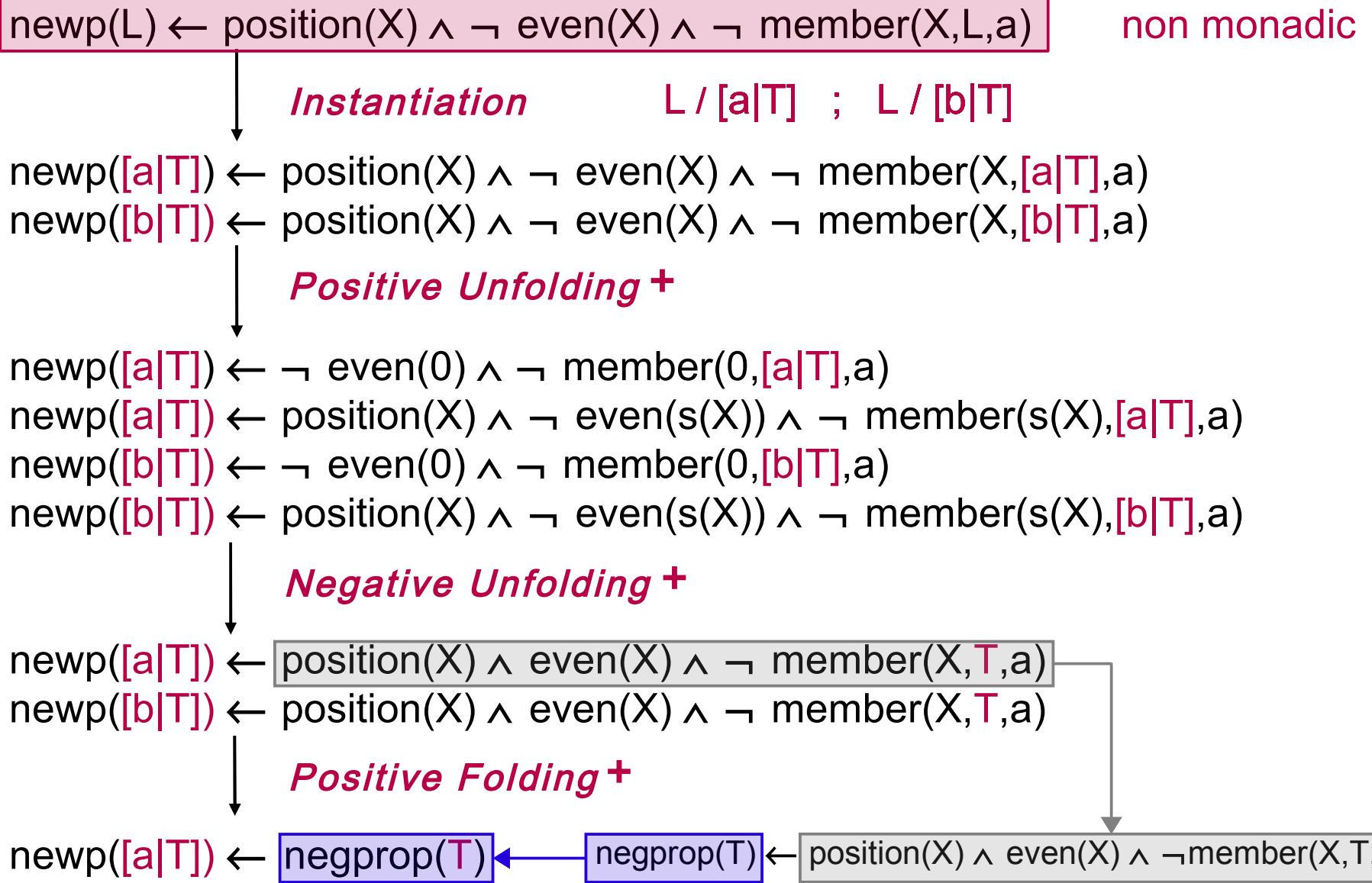
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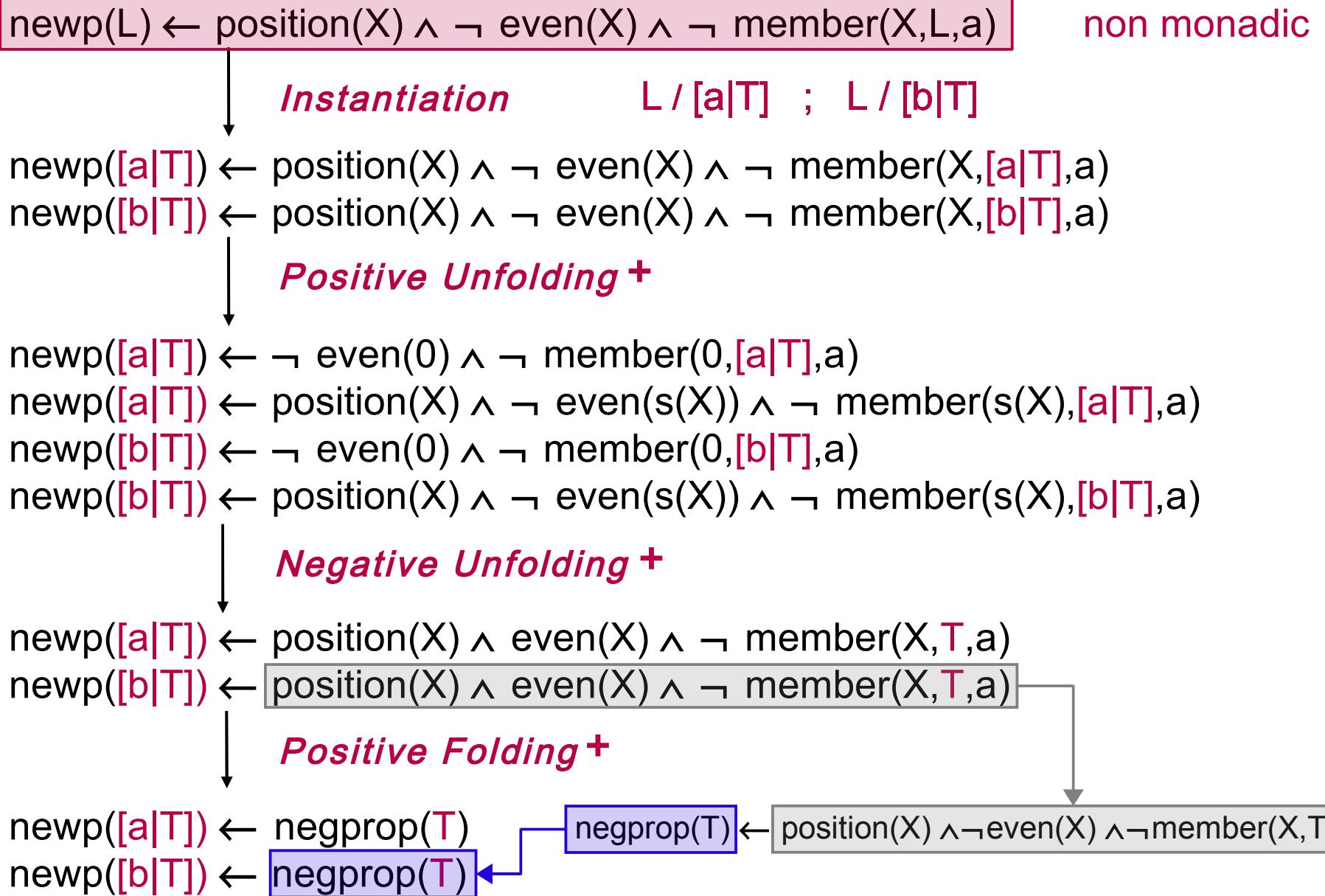
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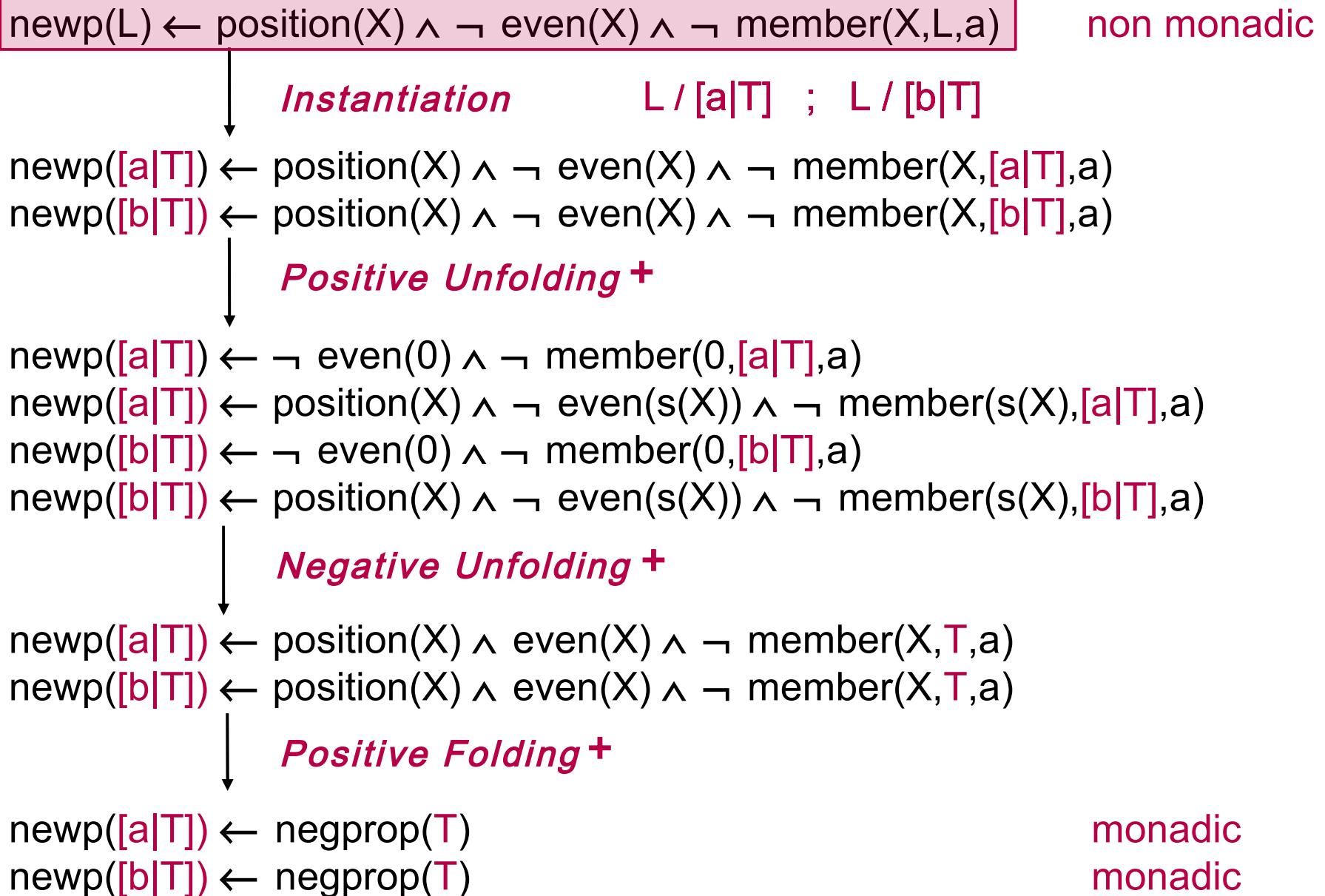
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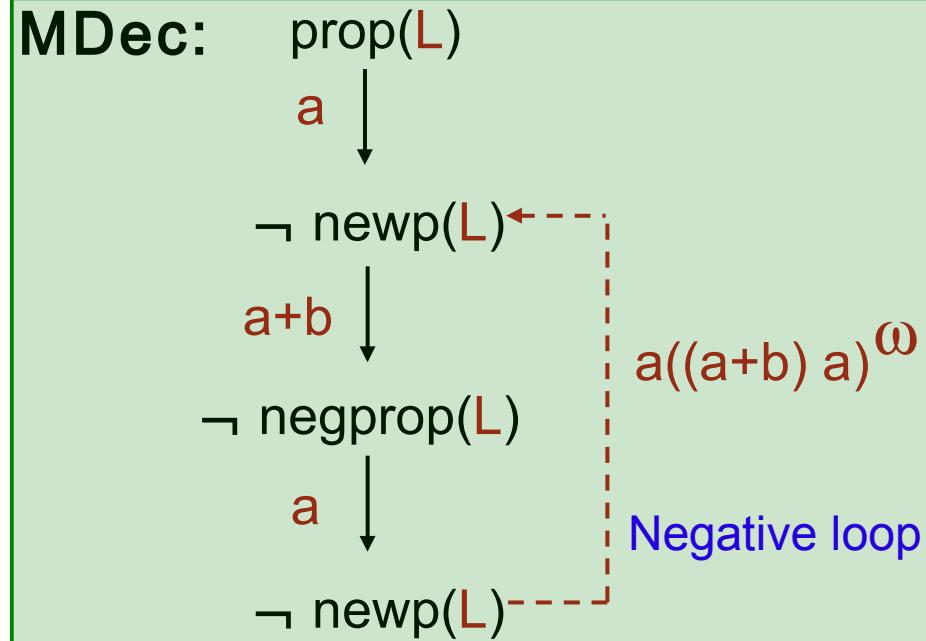
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By the soundness of Mdec:

$$M(T) \models \exists L \text{ prop}(L)$$

By the correctness of the transformation:

$$M(\text{EvenAs}) \models \exists L \text{ prop}(L)$$

Correctness of Transformations

Given:

- a transformation sequence $P_0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow P_n$ and
- the set Defs_n of clauses introduced by the definition introduction rule

The transformation sequence is correct if

1. $P_0 \cup \text{Defs}_n$ and P_n are locally stratified
2. $M(P_0 \cup \text{Defs}_n) = M(P_n)$

Sufficient Conditions for Correctness

Three kinds of conditions guarantee correctness:

1. Conditions for the preservation of local stratification;
2. Conditions on single transformation steps;
3. Conditions on the transformation sequence.

Preservation of Local Stratification

- Consider a transformation sequence $P_0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow P_n$ and a stratification σ .
 - A definition introduction preserves σ if it introduces a set of clauses that are locally stratified w.r.t. σ .
 - A positive folding $(H \leftarrow \dots G \dots) \rightarrow (H \leftarrow \dots K \dots)$ preserves σ if $H \geq_{\sigma} K$.
 - A negative folding $(H \leftarrow \dots G \dots) \rightarrow (H \leftarrow \dots \neg K \dots)$ preserves σ if $H >_{\sigma} K$.
- Lemma: If P_0 is locally stratified w.r.t. σ and every application of definition introduction, positive folding, and negative folding preserves σ , then $P_0 \cup \text{Defs}_n$ and P_n are locally stratified w.r.t. σ .

Conditions on Single Transformation Steps

- When applying the positive or negative unfolding, at most one argument of type ilist per predicate.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} P_k : p \leftarrow q(X, [a|X]) & \xrightarrow{\text{Positive Unfolding}} & P_{k+1} : \cancel{p \leftarrow q(X, [a|X])} \quad ?? \\ q(Y, Y) \leftarrow & & q(Y, Y) \leftarrow \end{array}$$

$q(X, [a|X])$ is not unifiable with $q(Y, Y)$ by the standard unification algorithm.

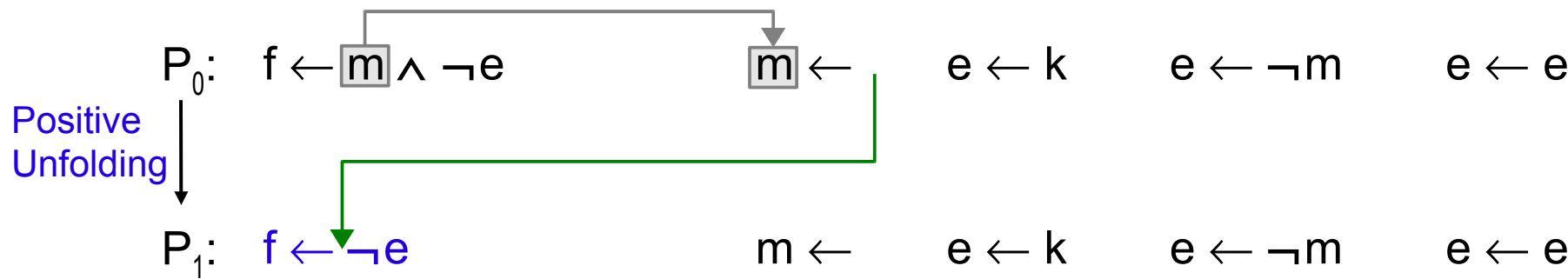
This condition can be dropped by using unification of rational trees [Colmerauer 82].

- When applying negative unfolding, no existential variables must occur in the program clauses used for unfolding.

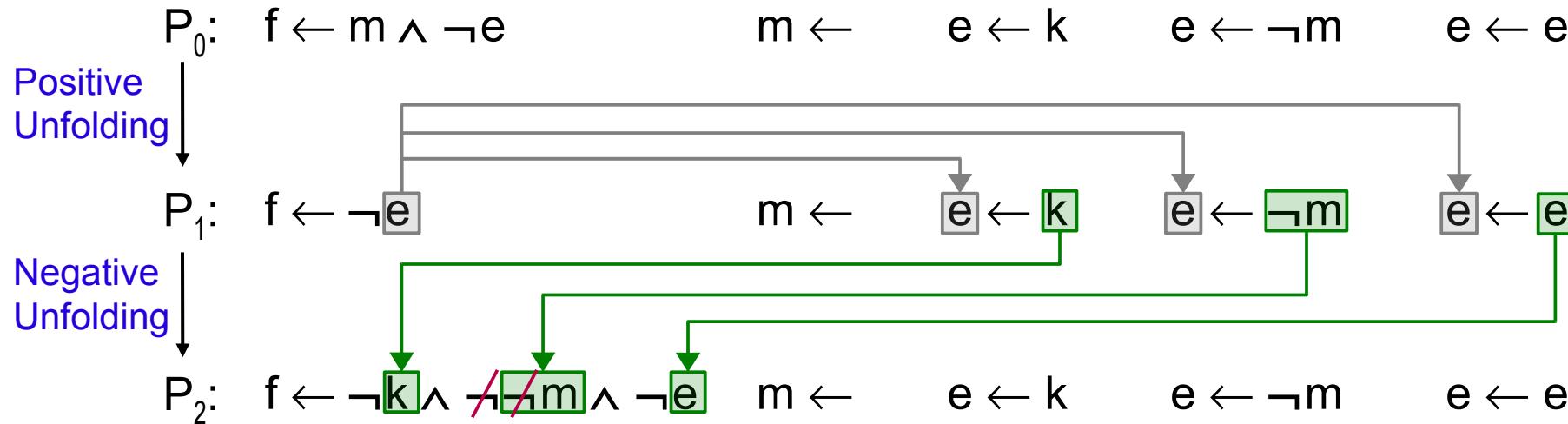
$$\begin{array}{ccc} P_k : p \leftarrow \neg q & \xrightarrow{\text{Negative Unfolding}} & P_{k+1} : p \leftarrow \neg r(X) \quad ?? \\ q \leftarrow r(X) & & q \leftarrow r(X) \\ r(a) \leftarrow & & r(a) \leftarrow \end{array}$$

. . . more local conditions are needed for correctness

An Incorrect Transformation Sequence [Seki 09]



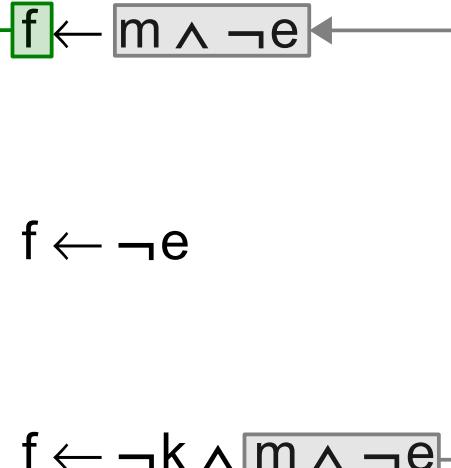
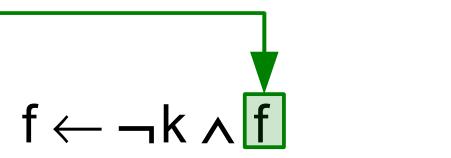
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Positive Unfolding	\downarrow				
	$P_1: f \leftarrow \neg e$	$m \leftarrow$	$e \leftarrow k$	$e \leftarrow \neg m$	$e \leftarrow e$
Negative Unfolding	\downarrow				
	$P_2: f \leftarrow \neg k \wedge m \wedge \neg e$	$m \leftarrow$	$e \leftarrow k$	$e \leftarrow \neg m$	$e \leftarrow e$

An Incorrect Transformation Sequence [Seki 09]

	$P_0: f \leftarrow m \wedge \neg e$	$m \leftarrow$	$e \leftarrow k$	$e \leftarrow \neg m$	$e \leftarrow e$
Positive Unfolding		$m \leftarrow$	$e \leftarrow k$	$e \leftarrow \neg m$	$e \leftarrow e$
Negative Unfolding	$P_1: f \leftarrow \neg e$	$m \leftarrow$	$e \leftarrow k$	$e \leftarrow \neg m$	$e \leftarrow e$
Positive Folding	$P_2: f \leftarrow \neg k \wedge [m \wedge \neg e]$	$m \leftarrow$	$e \leftarrow k$	$e \leftarrow \neg m$	$e \leftarrow e$
		$m \leftarrow$	$e \leftarrow k$	$e \leftarrow \neg m$	$e \leftarrow e$
	$P_3: f \leftarrow \neg k \wedge f$	$m \leftarrow$	$e \leftarrow k$	$e \leftarrow \neg m$	$e \leftarrow e$

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Positive Folding	$P_3: f \leftarrow \neg k \wedge f$	$m \leftarrow$	$e \leftarrow k$	$e \leftarrow \neg m$	$e \leftarrow e$

$f \in M(P_0)$ and $f \notin M(P_3)$

A Condition on Transformation Sequences (1)

- Condition (NU): The negative unfolding rule can be applied only if it does not increase the number of positive occurrences of atoms in bodies of clauses. [Seki 2009]
- Condition (NU) rules out the incorrect transformation sequence

	$P_0: f \leftarrow m \wedge \neg e$	$m \leftarrow$	$e \leftarrow k$	$e \leftarrow \neg m$	$e \leftarrow e$
Positive Unfolding					
Negative Unfolding	$P_1: f \leftarrow \neg e$	$m \leftarrow$	$e \leftarrow k$	$e \leftarrow \neg m$	$e \leftarrow e$
	# positive occurrences of atoms increased				
Positive Folding	$P_2: f \leftarrow \neg k \wedge \boxed{m} \wedge \neg e$	$m \leftarrow$	$e \leftarrow k$	$e \leftarrow \neg m$	$e \leftarrow e$
	$P_3: f \leftarrow \neg k \wedge f$	$m \leftarrow$	$e \leftarrow k$	$e \leftarrow \neg m$	$e \leftarrow e$

A Condition on Transformation Sequences (2)

Condition (NU) prevents proving prop in the EvenAs example.

$\text{newp}(L) \leftarrow \text{position}(X) \wedge \neg \text{even}(X) \wedge \neg \text{member}(X, L, a)$

Instantiation

$L / [a|T] ; L / [b|T]$

$\text{newp}([a|T]) \leftarrow \text{position}(X) \wedge \neg \text{even}(X) \wedge \neg \text{member}(X, [a|T], a)$

$\text{newp}([b|T]) \leftarrow \text{position}(X) \wedge \neg \text{even}(X) \wedge \neg \text{member}(X, [b|T], a)$

Positive Unfolding +

$\text{newp}([a|T]) \leftarrow \neg \text{even}(0) \wedge \neg \text{member}(0, [a|T], a)$

$\text{newp}([a|T]) \leftarrow \text{position}(X) \wedge \neg \text{even}(s(X)) \wedge \neg \text{member}(s(X), [a|T], a)$

$\text{newp}([b|T]) \leftarrow \neg \text{even}(0) \wedge \neg \text{member}(0, [b|T], a)$

$\text{newp}([b|T]) \leftarrow \text{position}(X) \wedge \neg \text{even}(s(X)) \wedge \neg \text{member}(s(X), [b|T], a)$

Negative Unfolding +

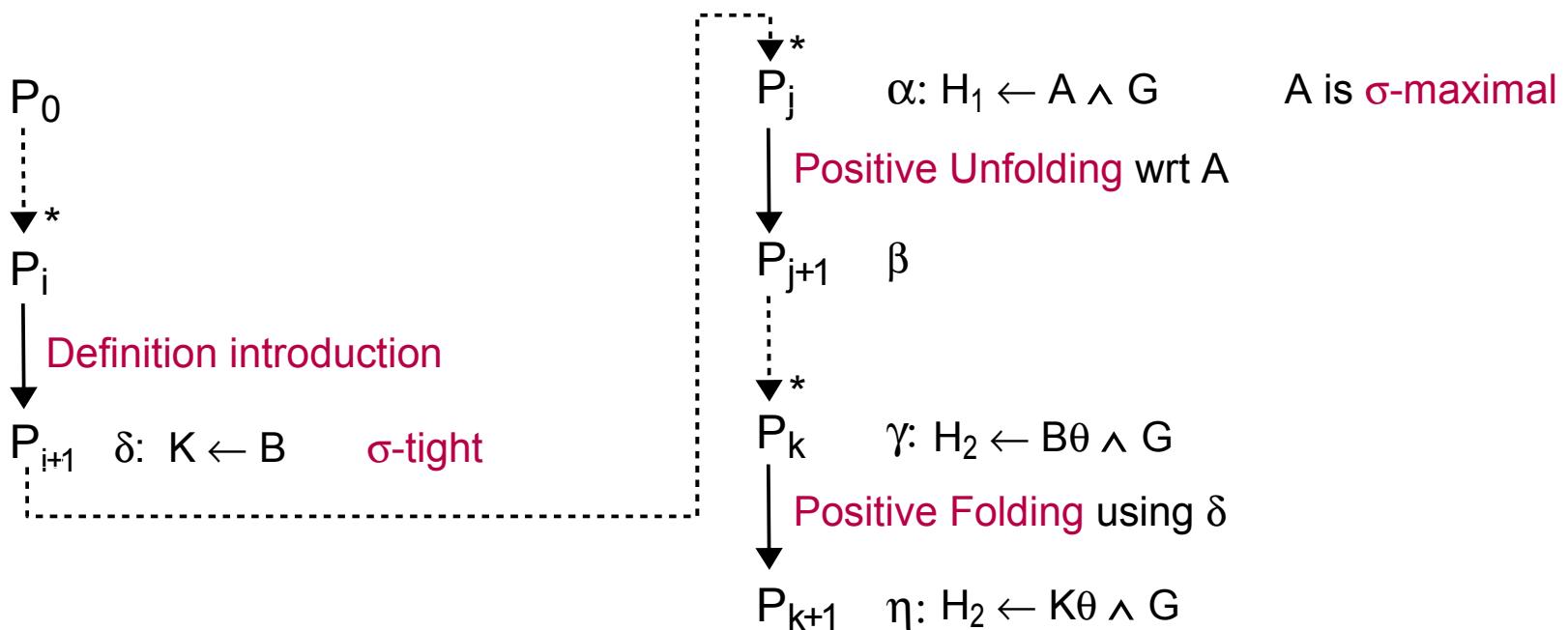
positive occurrences of atoms increased

$\text{newp}([a|T]) \leftarrow \text{position}(X) \wedge \text{even}(X) \wedge \neg \text{member}(X, T, a)$

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Relaxing the Condition (NU)

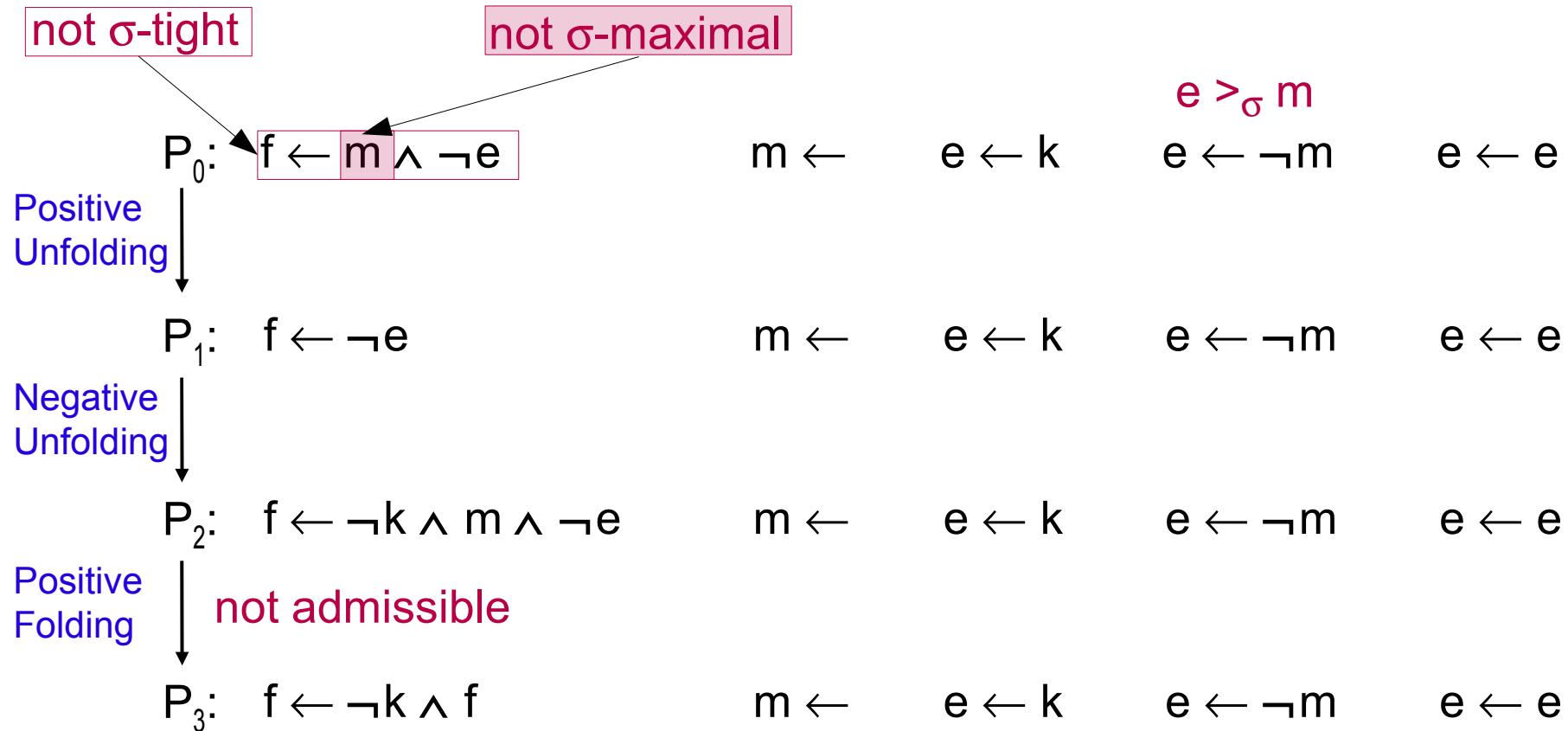
- Given $H \leftarrow G$, an atom A in G is σ -maximal if, for all literals L in G , $A \geq_{\sigma} L$
- $H \leftarrow G$ is σ -tight if there is a σ -maximal atom A in G such that s.t. $H =_{\sigma} A$
- Positive folding of a clause γ using a clause δ is admissible if
 - (3.1) δ is σ -tight and
 - (3.2) γ has been derived by a transformation sequence containing at least one positive unfolding wrt a σ -maximal atom



Correctness of Transformation Sequences

- A transformation sequences is admissible if:
 1. local stratification is preserved
 2. every application of positive folding is admissible
- Theorem: Every admissible transformation sequence is correct.
- Proof: A suitable measure on proof trees does not increase and, thus, finiteness of proof trees is preserved

Seki's Example Revisited



EvenAs Revisited

Take: $\text{newp}(L) =_{\sigma} \text{position}(X), \text{ position}(X) >_{\sigma} \text{even}(X), \text{ position}(X) >_{\sigma} \text{member}(X,L,a)$

$\text{newp}(L) \leftarrow \text{position}(X) \wedge \neg \text{even}(X) \wedge \neg \text{member}(X,L,a)$

σ -tight



Instantiation

$L / [a|T] ; L / [b|T]$

$\text{newp}([a|T]) \leftarrow \text{position}(X) \wedge \neg \text{even}(X) \wedge \neg \text{member}(X,[a|T],a)$

$\text{newp}([b|T]) \leftarrow \text{position}(X) \wedge \neg \text{even}(X) \wedge \neg \text{member}(X,[b|T],a)$



Positive Unfolding +

wrt σ -maximal atom position(X)

$\text{newp}([a|T]) \leftarrow \neg \text{even}(0) \wedge \neg \text{member}(0,[a|T],a)$

$\text{newp}([a|T]) \leftarrow \text{position}(X) \wedge \neg \text{even}(s(X)) \wedge \neg \text{member}(s(X),[a|T],a)$

$\text{newp}([b|T]) \leftarrow \neg \text{even}(0) \wedge \neg \text{member}(0,[b|T],a)$

$\text{newp}([b|T]) \leftarrow \text{position}(X) \wedge \neg \text{even}(s(X)) \wedge \neg \text{member}(s(X),[b|T],a)$



Negative Unfolding +

$\text{newp}([a|T]) \leftarrow \text{position}(X) \wedge \text{even}(X) \wedge \neg \text{member}(X,T,a)$

$\text{newp}([b|T]) \leftarrow \text{position}(X) \wedge \text{even}(X) \wedge \neg \text{member}(X,T,a)$



Positive Folding +

admissible

$\text{newp}([a|T]) \leftarrow \text{negprop}(T)$

$\text{newp}([b|T]) \leftarrow \text{negprop}(T)$

More Complex Examples

- Emptiness of Büchi Automata
- Containment between regular languages
- CTL* [LOPSTR'09]
- All examples have been worked out interactively by the MAP system <http://www.iasi.cnr.it/~proietti/system.html>

ω -regular Languages

$e ::= a \mid e_1 e_2 \mid e_1 + e_2 \mid e^*$ (regular expressions over Σ)

$f ::= e^\omega \mid e_1 e_2^\omega \mid f_1 + f_2$ (ω -regular expressions over Σ)

P:

$\text{acc}(E, [E]) \leftarrow \text{symbol}(E)$

$\text{acc}(E_1 E_2, X) \leftarrow \text{append}(X_1, X_2, X) \wedge \text{acc}(E_1, X_1) \wedge \text{acc}(E_2, X_2)$

$\text{acc}(E_1 + E_2, X) \leftarrow \text{acc}(E_1, X)$

$\text{acc}(E_1 + E_2, X) \leftarrow \text{acc}(E_2, X)$

$\text{acc}(E^*, []) \leftarrow$

$\text{acc}(E^*, X) \leftarrow \text{append}(X_1, X_2, X) \wedge \text{acc}(E, X_1) \wedge \text{acc}(E^*, X_2)$

$\omega\text{-acc}(E^\omega, X) \leftarrow \neg p_1(E, X)$

$p_1(E, X) \leftarrow \text{nat}(M) \wedge \neg p_2(E, M, X)$

$p_2(E, M, X) \leftarrow \text{geq}(N, M) \wedge \text{prefix}(X, N, V) \wedge \text{acc}(E^*, V)$

...

where:

$\omega\text{-acc}(E^\omega, X) \leftrightarrow \forall M(\text{nat}(M) \rightarrow \exists N \exists V(\text{geq}(N, M) \wedge \text{prefix}(X, N, V) \wedge \text{acc}(E^*, V)))$

Containment of ω -regular Languages

 (1)

$\text{expr}_1(X) \leftarrow \omega\text{-acc}(a^\omega, X)$

$\text{expr}_2(X) \leftarrow \omega\text{-acc}((b^*a)^\omega, X)$

$\text{prop}(X) \leftarrow \text{expr}_1(X) \wedge \neg \text{expr}_2(X)$

$a^\omega \not\subseteq (b^*a)^\omega$

Containment of ω -regular Languages

 (2)

After transformation:

T: $\text{prop}([a|X]) \leftarrow \neg \text{new}_1(X) \wedge \text{new}_2(X)$

$\text{new}_1([a|X]) \leftarrow \text{new}_1(X)$

$\text{new}_1([b|X]) \leftarrow$

$\text{new}_2([a|X]) \leftarrow \text{new}_2(X)$

$\text{new}_2([b|X]) \leftarrow \text{new}_3(X)$

$\text{new}_3([a|X]) \leftarrow \text{new}_2(X)$

$\text{new}_3([b|X]) \leftarrow \text{new}_3(X)$

$\text{new}_3([b|X]) \leftarrow \neg \text{new}_4(X)$

$\text{new}_4([a|X]) \leftarrow$

$\text{new}_4([b|X]) \leftarrow \text{new}_4(X)$

Future Work

- Strategies for automating the transformation from ω -programs to monadic ω -programs
- Use of constraints to avoid explicit state representation

For instance,

$$p([H|T]) \leftarrow H \geq 1 \wedge q(T)$$

- Infinite state model checking

Containment of ω -regular Languages

(3)

T:

$$\text{prop}([a|X]) \leftarrow \neg \text{new}_1(X) \wedge \text{new}_2(X)$$

$$\text{new}_1([a|X]) \leftarrow \text{new}_1(X)$$

$$\text{new}_1([b|X]) \leftarrow$$

$$\text{new}_2([a|X]) \leftarrow \text{new}_2(X)$$

$$\text{new}_2([b|X]) \leftarrow \text{new}_3(X)$$

...

not a proof

$$\exists X \text{prop}(X)$$

$$\text{prop}(X)$$

a

a

$$\neg \text{new}_1(X)$$

$$\text{new}_2(X)$$

a

a

$$\neg \text{new}_1(X)$$

$$\text{new}_2(X)$$

“positive loop”

not a proof

$$\exists X \text{prop}(X)$$

$$\text{prop}(X)$$

a

a

$$\neg \text{new}_1(X)$$

$$\text{new}_2(X)$$

b

b

false

$$\text{new}_3(X)$$



Containment of ω -regular Languages

(4)

T:

$\text{prop}([a|X]) \leftarrow \neg \text{new}_1(X) \wedge \text{new}_2(X)$

$\text{new}_1([a|X]) \leftarrow \text{new}_1(X)$

$\text{new}_1([b|X]) \leftarrow$

$\text{new}_2([a|X]) \leftarrow \text{new}_2(X)$

$\text{new}_2([b|X]) \leftarrow \text{new}_3(X)$

...

not a proof

$\exists X \text{ prop}(X)$

prop(X)

b

false

Thus, $a^\omega \subseteq (b^*a)^\omega$.