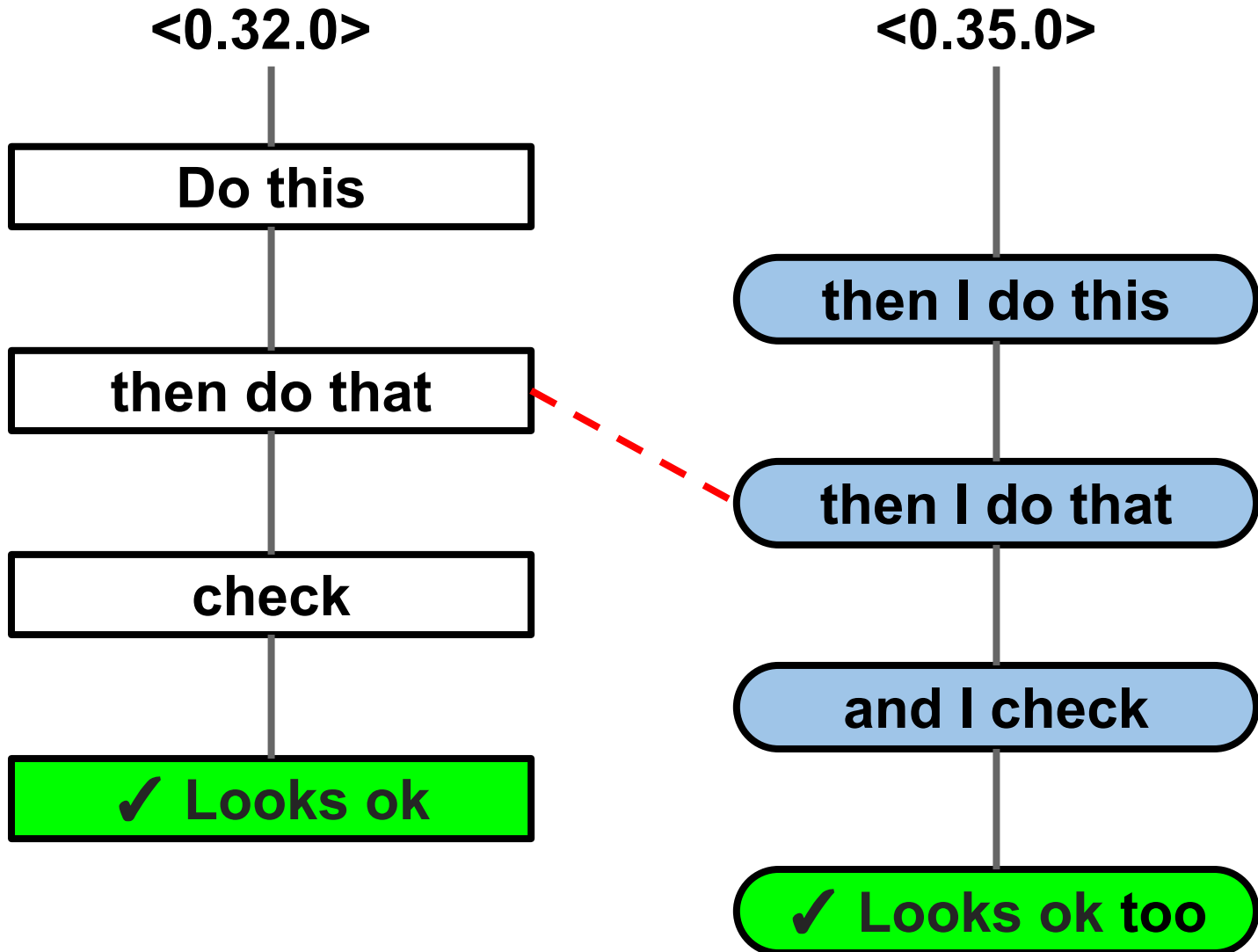
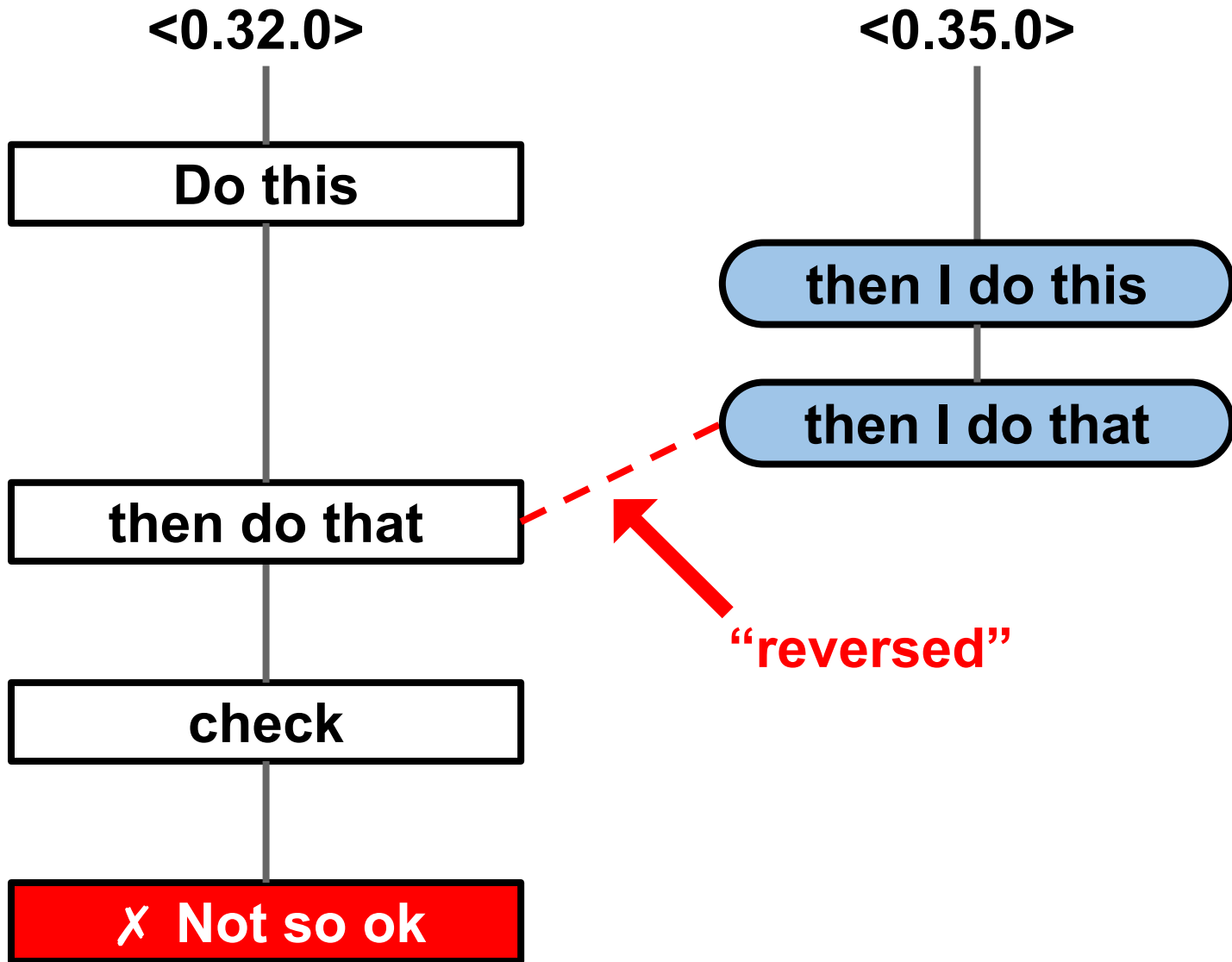


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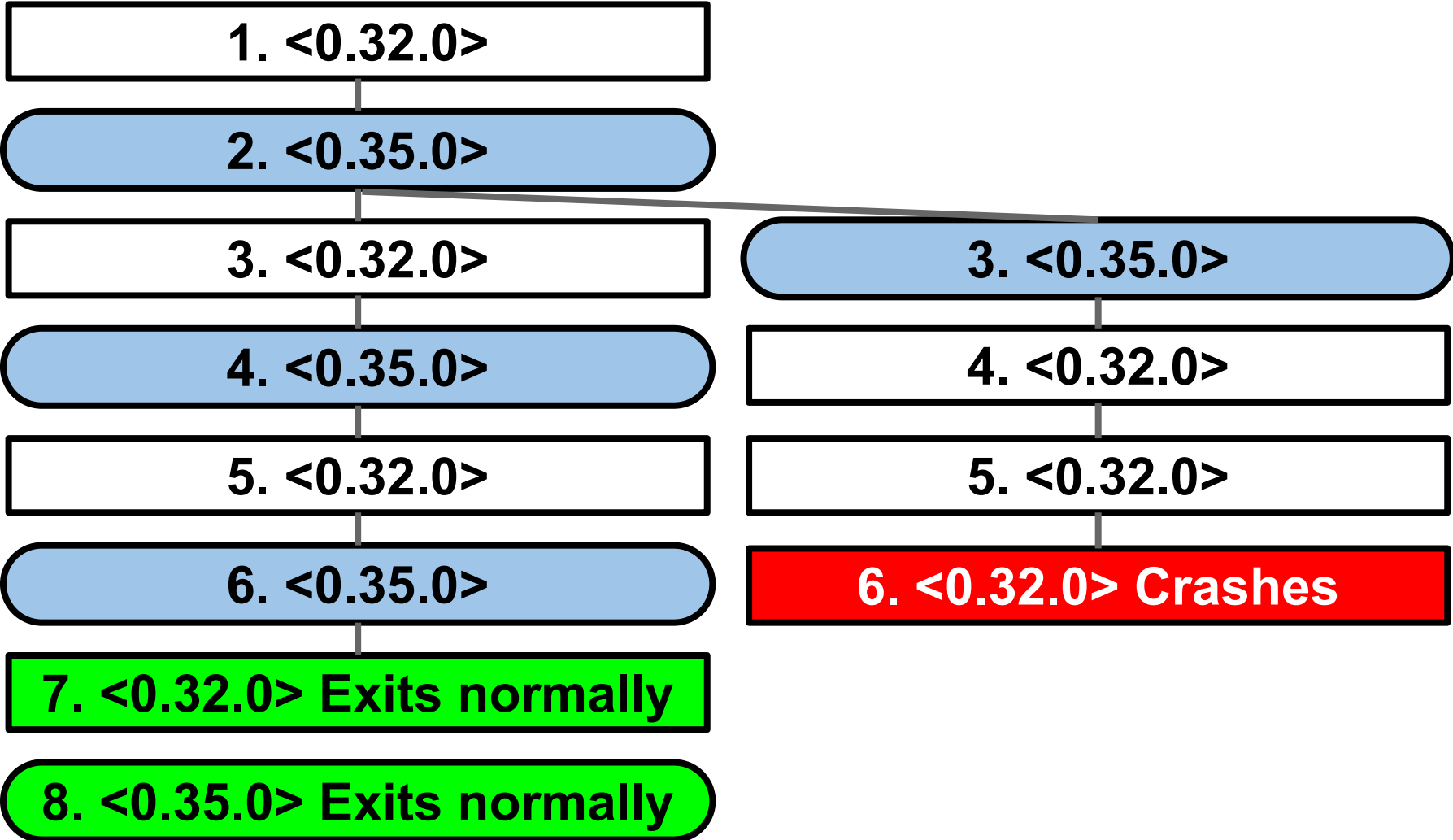
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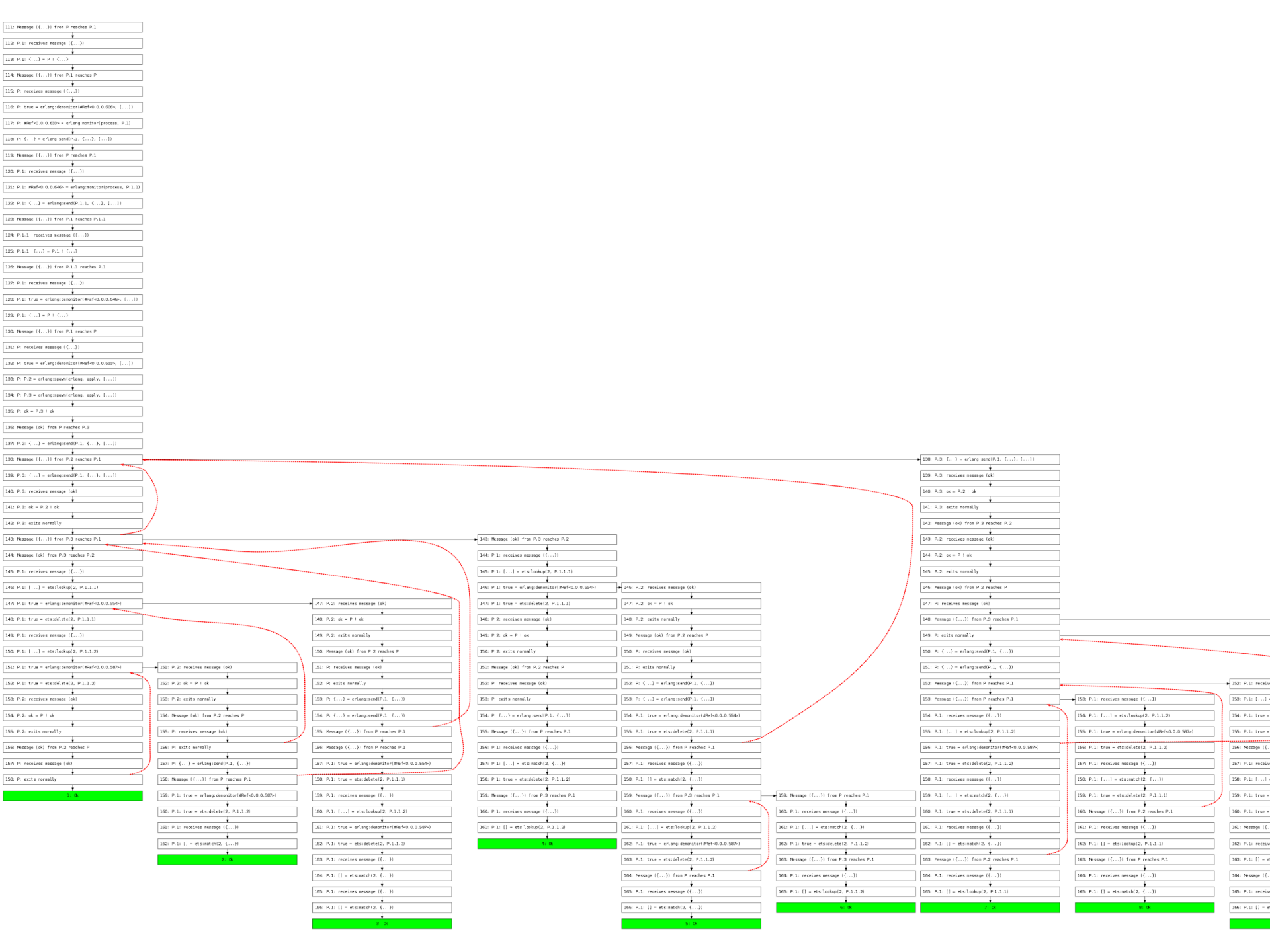
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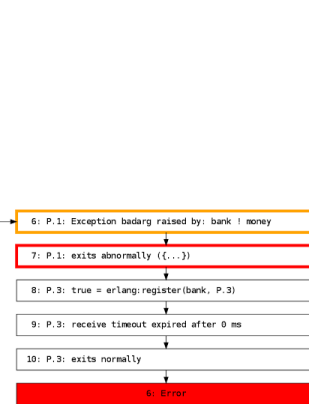
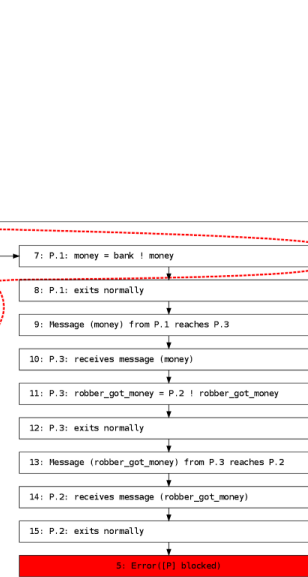
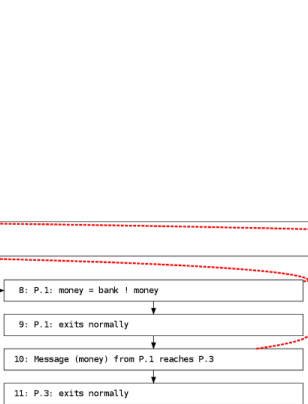
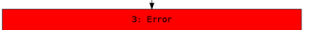
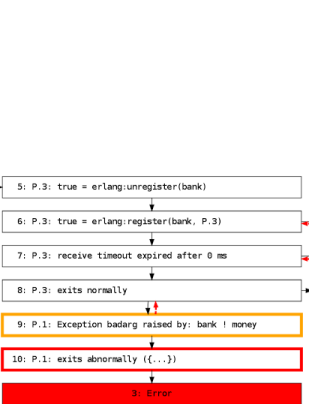
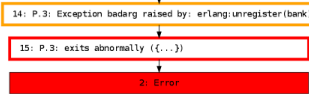
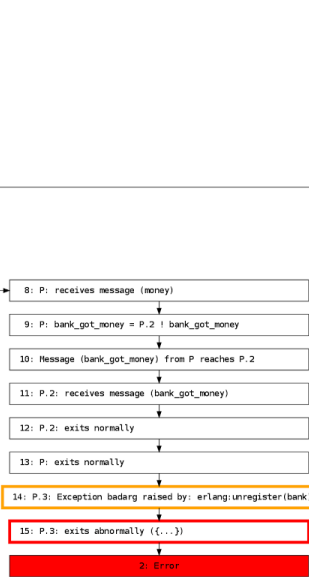
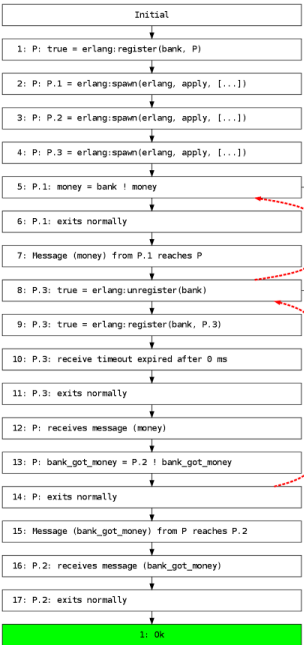
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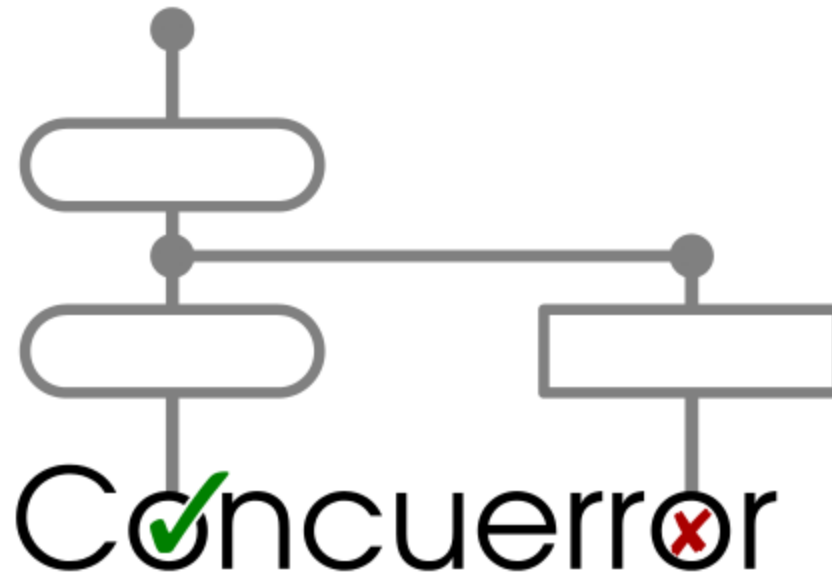
Interleaving 2







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Into Real Code

Stavros Aronis



Concuerror

- ... is a tool for **systematic** testing
- ... runs a test under **all** possible interleavings
- ... detects abnormal process exits
- ... reports **all** the events that lead to the crash

Efficient, easy to use

Optimal DPOR, automatic instrumentation,
and more...

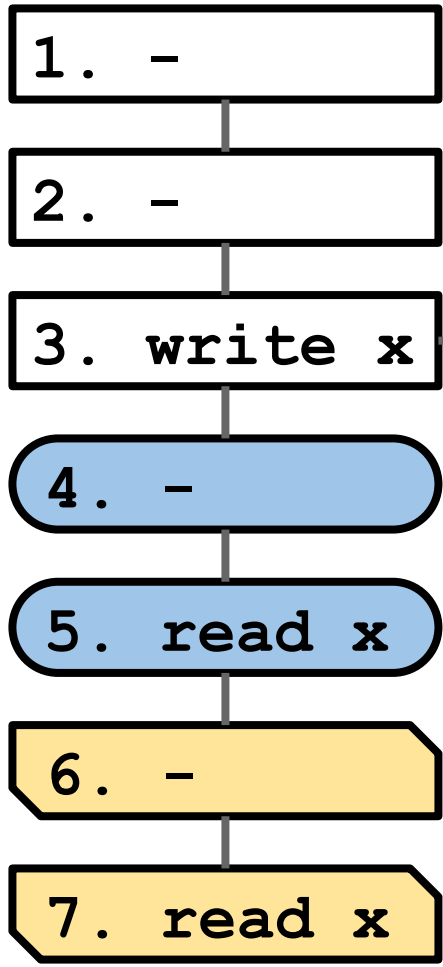
Optimal Dynamic Partial Order Reduction

Systematic \neq Stupid

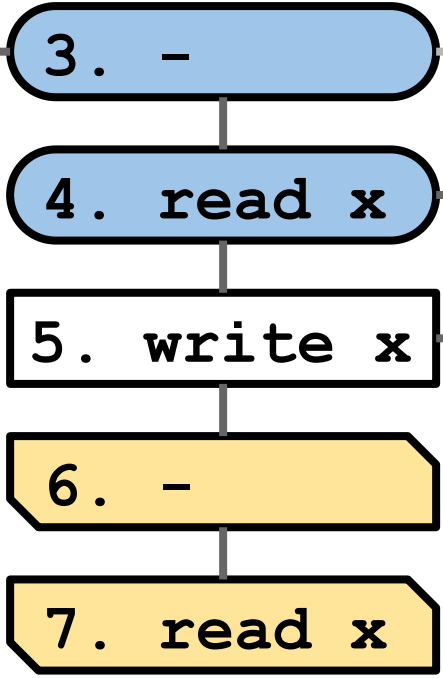
- Literally “all interleavings”? Too many!
- Not all pairs of **events** are in a race
- Each interleaving should be **different**

Partial Order Reduction techniques

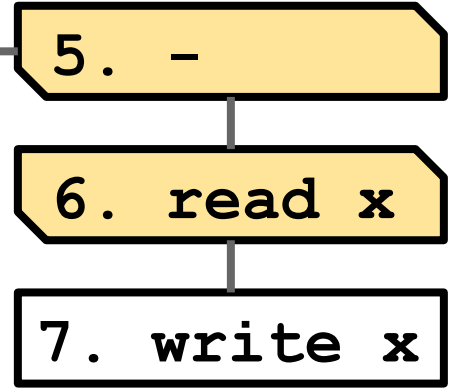
- ... monitor **dependencies** between events
- ... explore additional interleavings **as needed**
- ... avoiding **equivalent** interleavings
- **Dynamic**: at runtime, using concrete data



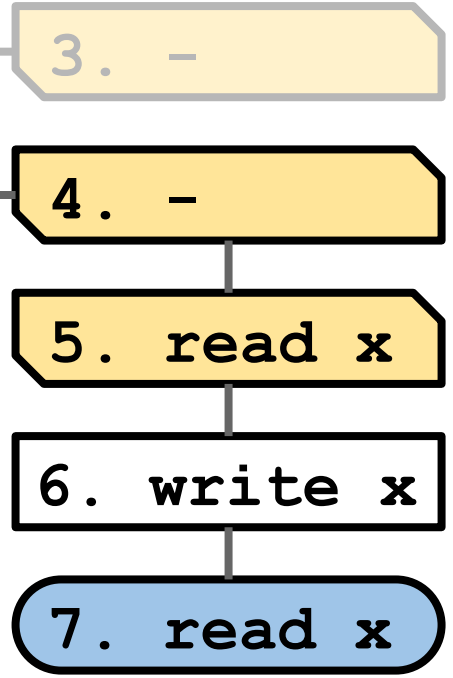
Interleaving 1



Interleaving 2



Interleaving 3



Interleaving 4

Why not “start” the interleaving here?
 Answer: paper presented @ POPL'14!

Optimal DPOR vs “Classic” DPOR

- Unnecessary interleavings are not even started
- Classic DPOR: orders of magnitude better than exhaustive
- Optimal DPOR: orders of magnitude better than Classic DPOR :-)

POPL'14: Evaluation

Benchmark	Interleavings explored		Time	
	Classic	Optimal	Classic	Optimal
readers (2)	5	4	0.02s	0.02s
readers (8)	3281	256	13.98s	1.29s
readers (13)	797162	8192	86m7s	1m26s
lastzero (5)	241	64	1.08s	0.32s
lastzero (10)	53198	3328	4m47s	27.61s
lastzero (15)	9378091	147456	1539m	30m13s

Difference between Classic and Optimal

POPL'14: Evaluation

Benchmark	Interleavings explored		Time	
	Classic	Optimal	Classic	Optimal
dialyzer	12436	3600	14m46s	5m46s
gproc	14080	8104	3m3s	1m57s
poolboy	6018	2680	3m2s	1m20s

LOC: 44596 (dialyzer), 9446 (gproc), 79732 (poolboy)

Optimal DPOR: Summary

- Not all pairs of events are racing!
- Concuerror will never even begin to explore equivalent interleavings
- Trace analysis, intelligent algorithms, tailored dependency tracking for Erlang built-ins

Automatic instrumentation

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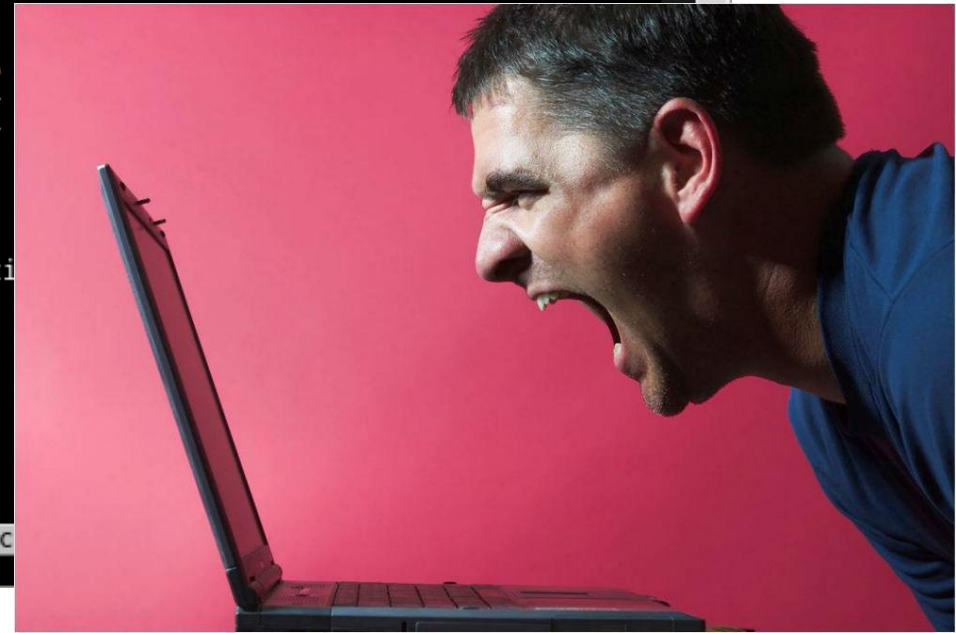
Interleaving 2

Automatic instrumentation

```
emacs23@pc-staar721.it.uu.se x
#!/bin/bash

OTP_PATH=../otp
CONC_PATH=../Concuerror

$CONC_PATH/concuerror -t poolboy_tests -p 0 --dpor \
  -f src/*.erl test/*.erl --wait-messages -T 2000 \
  --fail-uninstrumented \
  --ignore crypto crypto app erl_prim_loader epp erl_parse code \
    public_key erl_syntax compile prim_file global \
  -pa . \
  -I $OTP_PATH/lib/eunit/include \
  -f $OTP_PATH/lib/eunit/src/*.erl \
  -I $OTP_PATH/lib/kernel/include \
  -f $OTP_PATH/lib/kernel/src/inet_parse.erl \
    $OTP_PATH/lib/kernel/src/error_logger.erl \
    $OTP_PATH/lib/kernel/src/application*.erl \
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    $OTP_PATH/lib/kernel/src/os.erl \
    $OTP_PATH/lib/kernel/src/file.erl \
  -I $OTP_PATH/lib/stdlib/include \
  -f $OTP_PATH/lib/stdlib/src/dict.erl \
    $OTP_PATH/lib/stdlib/src/queue.erl \
    $OTP_PATH/lib/stdlib/src/sets.erl \
    $OTP_PATH/lib/stdlib/src/proplists.erl \
  --:--- run_conc (1).sh Top (16,37) (Shell-sc
```



Automatic instrumentation

```
stavros@pc-staar721: ~/poolboy
stavros@pc-staar721:~/poolboy (1.2.1 *)$ concuerror --pa .eunit/ -f my_test.erl -m my_test -i --ignore_error deadlock --after_timeout 1000
Concuerror started at 04 Jun 2014 17:34:19
Writing results in concuerror_report.txt

Info: Instrumented my_test
Info: Instrumented io_lib
Info: Instrumented poolboy
Info: Instrumented proplists
Info: Instrumented gen_server
Info: Instrumented gen
Info: Instrumented proc_lib
Info: Instrumented erlang
Info: Instrumented init
Info: Instrumented sys
Info: Instrumented queue
Info: Instrumented poolboy_sup
Info: Instrumented supervisor
Info: Instrumented lists
Info: Instrumented poolboy_test_worker
Info: Instrumented sets
Warning: Some errors were ignored ('--ignore_error').
Done! (Exit status: completed)
  Summary: 0 errors, 18/18 interleavings explored
stavros@pc-staar721:~/poolboy (1.2.1 *)$
```

Automatic instrumentation

- If you need fully instrumented code, do it automatically!
- Not even `+debug_info` is required
- `Instrumented erlang.erl??` Oh yes!

More...

More...

- Testing does not stop on the first crash
- All race-prone built-ins inspected
- Capturing stdout, stderr
- Detailed handling of exits and messaging

A process is exiting...

1. Status set to exiting
2. Name is unregistered
3. Timers are cancelled
4. ETS tables given away or destroyed
5. Link signals are sent
6. Monitor messages are sent

Concuerror follows the list step by step!

Under development...

Bounding, user interaction,
and exploration visualization

Bounding (`--delay_bound, -b`)

- Not all interleavings are equally probable
- Focus on those with “simpler” scheduling
- Classic DPOR supports Preemption Bounding
- Currently trying Delay Bounding

User interaction (Tips)

- Lots, lots, lots of racing events, e.g.
 - default timeouts for `gen` calls
 - exit signals
- Sometimes abnormal exits are acceptable
 - e.g. due to a supervisor's `shutdown` signal

*User guidance can greatly
increase efficiency when debugging*

Lots, lots, lots of racing events

Example: `erlang:register/2`

Depends with:

- `erlang:send/2`
- `erlang:unregister/1`
- `erlang:register/2`
- `erlang:whereis/1`
- `erlang:process_info/2`
- `Exit`

Visualization (--graph)



Next Challenges

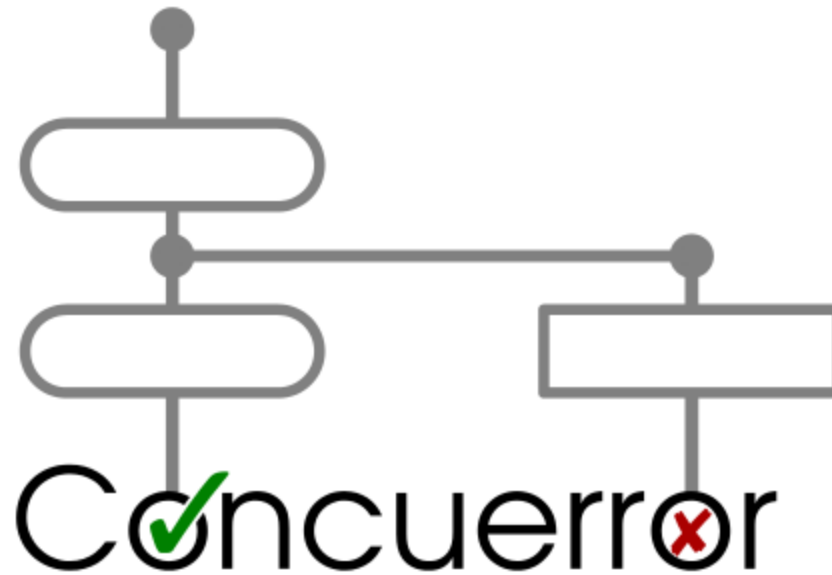
- System processes (e.g. application)
- Ports (and therefore file manipulation)
- Concuerror on Concuerror (on Concuerror...)

Conclusion

<http://concuerror.com>

Go give Concuerror a try!

- Efficient, systematic concurrency testing
- Usability and practicality are design goals
- Open source, feedback is appreciated
- `concuerror --help`



Thank you!

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