

# Specification Format for Reactive Synthesis Problems

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# Simple arbiter



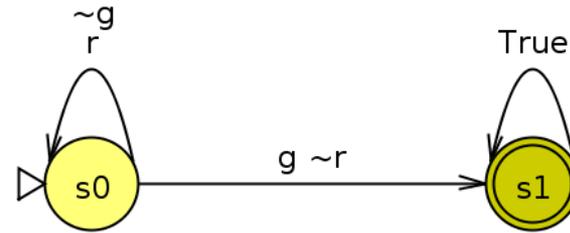
- “Every request should be granted”:  $\mathbf{G}(r \rightarrow \mathbf{F}g)$
- “No spurious grants”

Let’s specify “spurious grants” in RE:

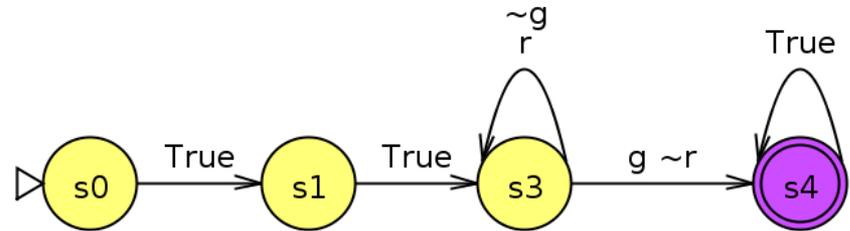
$$(\cdot, \cdot)^* (\cdot, g) (\neg r, \neg g)^+ (\neg r, g)$$

# In LTL: $(\dots)^*(\cdot, g)(\neg r, \neg g)^+(\neg r, g)$

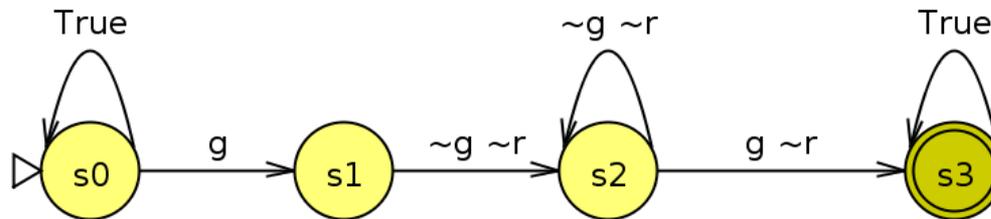
- $F(g \text{ U } \neg r \neg g \text{ U } \neg r g)$ ?  
(NO! It accepts  $(r \neg g)(\neg r g)$ )



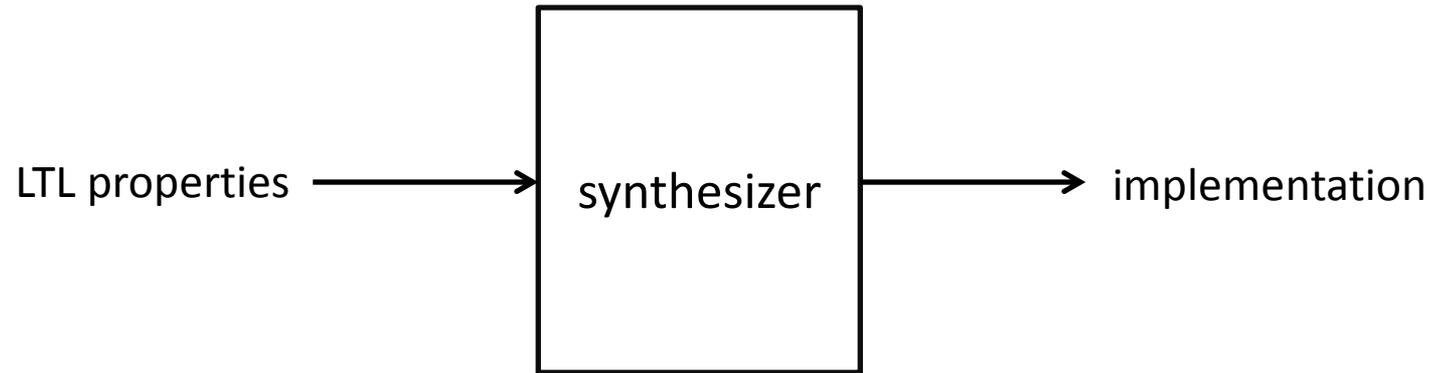
- $F(g \text{ U } X(\neg r \neg g \text{ U } X\neg r g))$ ?



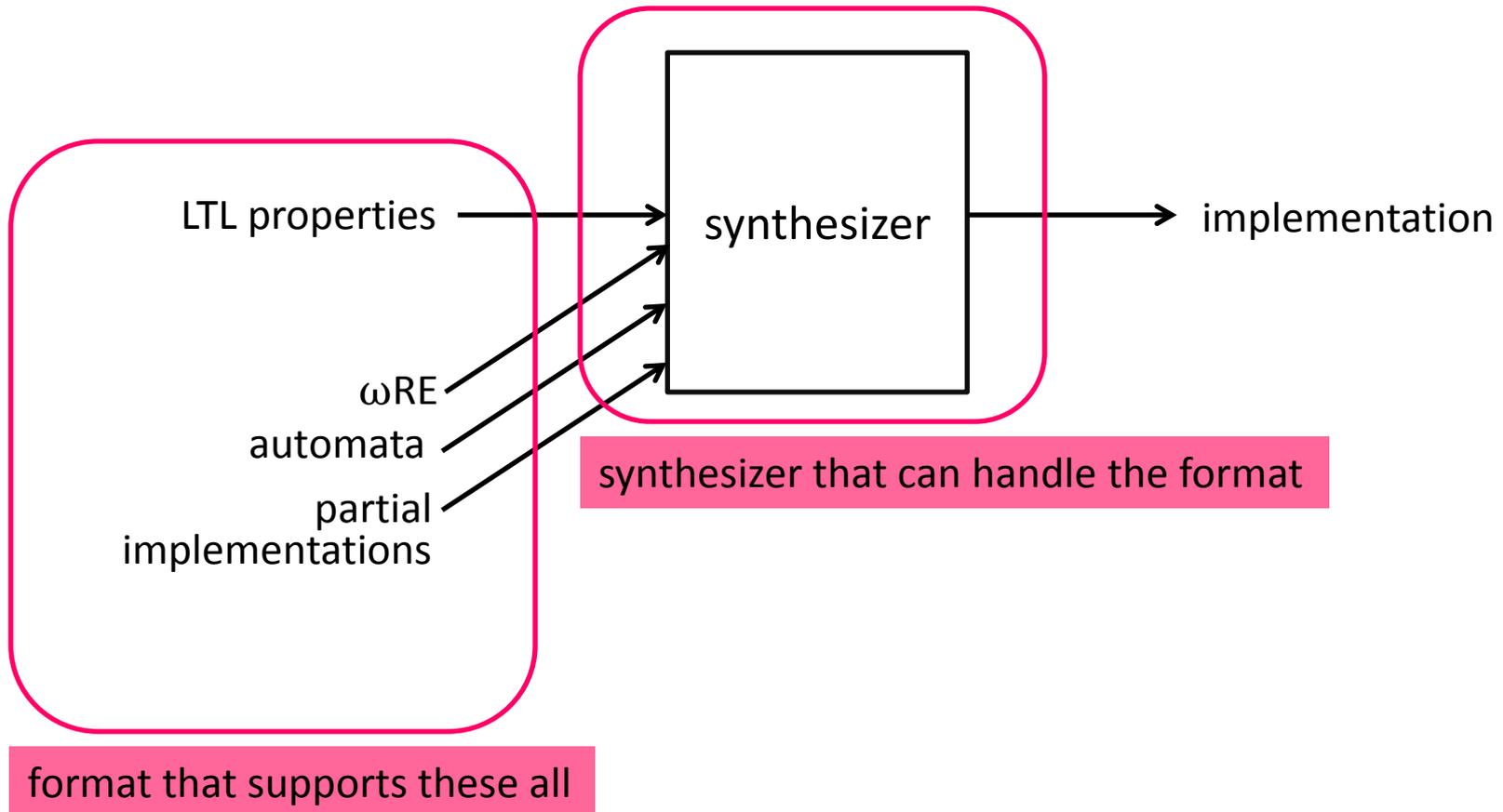
- $F(g \wedge (g \text{ U } (\neg r \neg g \wedge (\neg r \neg g \text{ U } \neg r g))))$



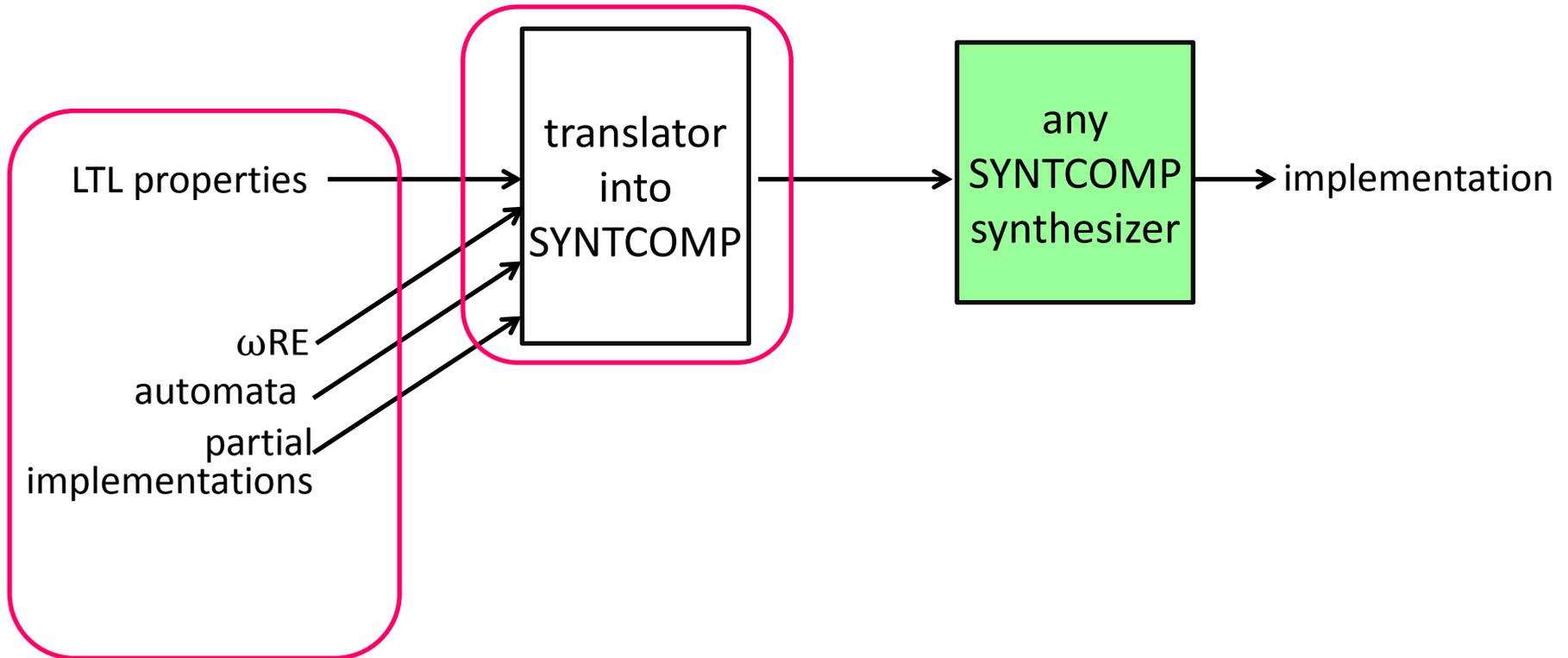
# Synthesis flow



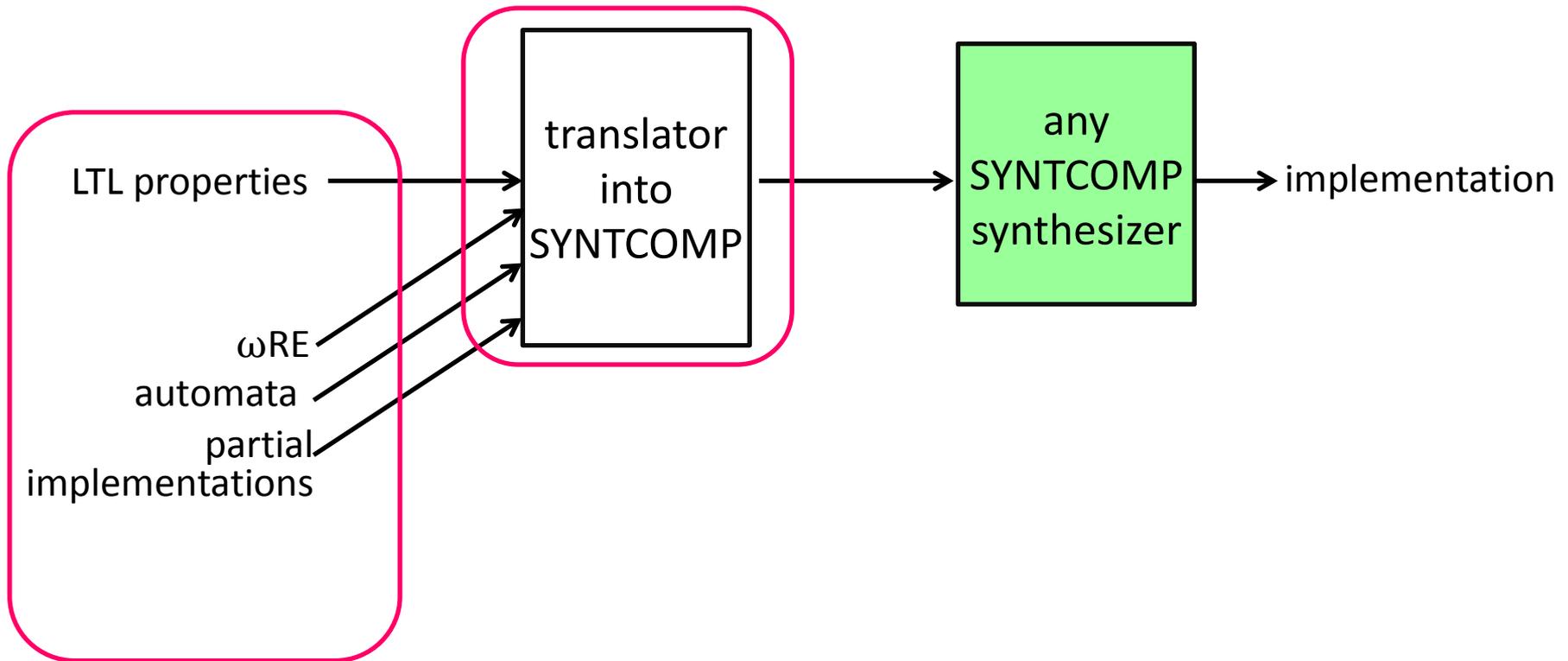
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# Outline of the talk



**new format  
(extended SMV)**

**translator  
extended SMV -> SYNTCOMP**

**synthesis example:  
a Huffman encoder**

# Format requirements

- embedded into existing programming language
- modular
- property language agnostic (LTL,  $\omega$ RE, automata...)
- fast synthesizers

# Proposed format

- embedded into existing programming language
  - SMV
- modular
  - part of SMV
- property language agnostic (LTL,  $\omega$ RE, automata...)
  - automata
- fast synthesizers
  - SYNTCOMP

# Comparison with ([1])([2])

- embedded into existing programming language
  - SMV (*SMV*) (*Promela*)
- modular
  - part of SMV (*part of SMV*) (*part of Promela*)
- property language agnostic (LTL,  $\omega$ RE, automata...)
  - automata (*LTL patterns*) (*LTL + relations*)
- fast synthesizers
  - SYNTCOMP (*original GR1*) (*SLUGS GR1*)

FORMAT DESCRIPTION

# **EXTENDED SMV**

# SMV format

MODULE main

VAR

```
input: 0..10;  
state: boolean;  
x: 0..10;
```

} variables

DEFINE

```
x_is_2input := (x=input+input);
```

} macros

ASSIGN

```
init(state) := FALSE;  
next(state) := (x=0 | x_is_2input);  
init(x) := 0;  
next(x) := x+input;
```

} variables  
behaviour

LTLSPEC

```
G(state | (x!=10))
```

} specification

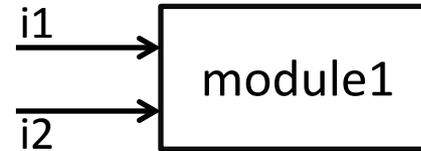
# SMV format (cont.)

```
MODULE module1(i1,i2)
```

```
VAR
```

```
  x: ...
```

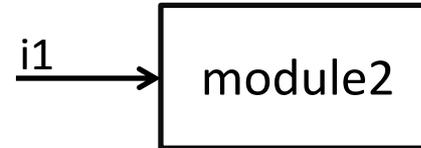
```
...
```



```
MODULE module2(i1)
```

```
VAR
```

```
  out : ...
```



```
MODULE main
```

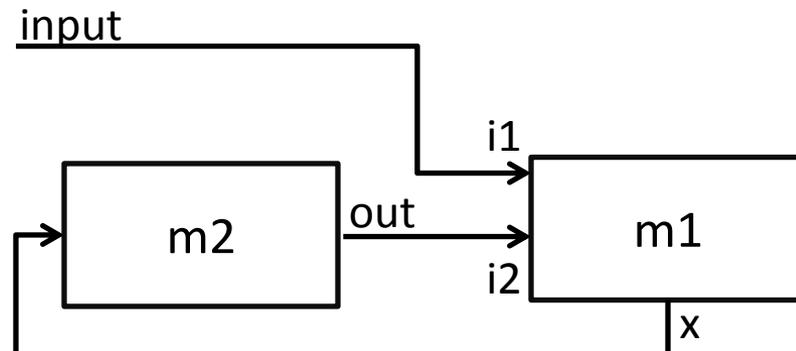
```
VAR
```

```
  input: ...
```

```
VAR
```

```
  m1: module1(input, m2.out);
```

```
  m2: module2(m1.x);
```



# Extended SMV

```
MODULE helper1(input1,input2) //we can define and use SMV modules as usually
VAR
  state: 0..100;
DEFINE
  reached42 := state=42;
  ...

MODULE main // module 'main' contains a specification
VAR
  CPUread: boolean; // only boolean is allowed

VAR --controllable
  valueOut: boolean; // only boolean is allowed

VAR
  h: helper1(readA, valueOut); // we can instantiate modules as usually

DEFINE
  //signals defined in the module can be referred to in the property automata
  a := TRUE;
  b := FALSE;

  writtenA := CPUwrite & valueIn=a & done;
  readA := CPUread & valueOut=a & done;
  is42 := h.reached42;
  ...
  // thus we can use variables 'is42', 'readA', 'writtenA' in property automata below

SYS_AUTOMATON_SPEC // guarantees in the GOAL automata format
  guarantee1.gff;
  !guarantee2.gff; // '!' signals to negate the automaton

ENV_AUTOMATON_SPEC // assumptions in the GOAL automata format
  assumption1.gff;
  !assumption2.gff;
  ...
```

# Extended SMV

```
MODULE helper1(input1,input2) //we can define and use SMV modules as usually
VAR
  state: 0..100;
DEFINE
  reached42 := state=42;
  ...

MODULE main // Only main can have specifications
VAR
  CPUread: boolean; // only boolean is allowed

VAR --controllable
  valueOut: boolean; // only boolean is allowed

VAR
  h: helper1(readA, valueOut); // we can instantiate modules as usually

DEFINE
  //signals defined in the module can be referred to in the property automata
  a := TRUE;
  b := FALSE;

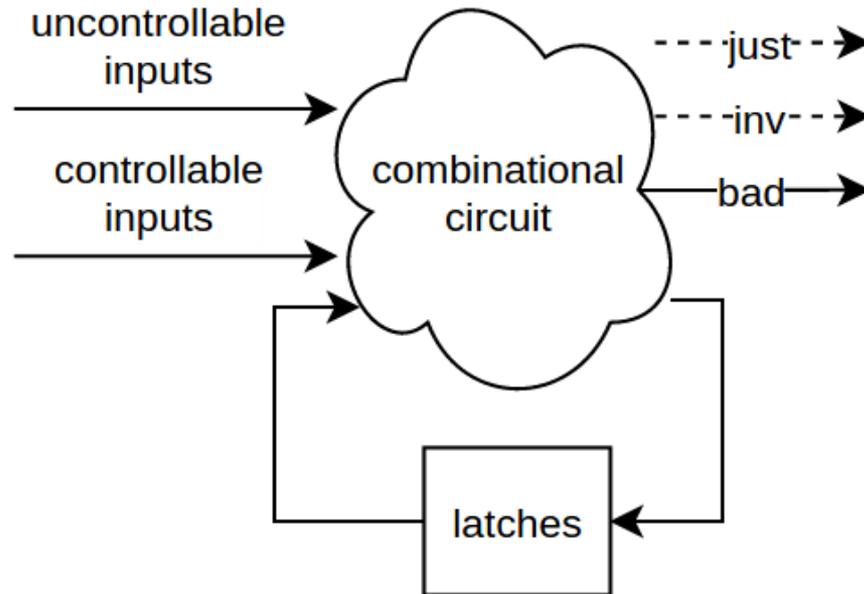
  writtenA := CPUwrite & valueIn=a & done;
  readA := CPUread & valueOut=a & done;
  is42 := h.reached42;
  ...
  // thus we can use variables {is42}, {readA}, {writtenA} in property automata below

SYS AUTOMATON SPEC LTL, LDL, RE, patterns? relations?
  guarantee1.gff;
  !guarantee2.gff; // '!' signals to negate the automaton

ENV AUTOMATON SPEC / only safety assumptions
  assumption1.gff;
  !assumption2.gff;
  ...
```

# **TRANSLATION INTO SYNTCOMP**

# SYNTCOMP format

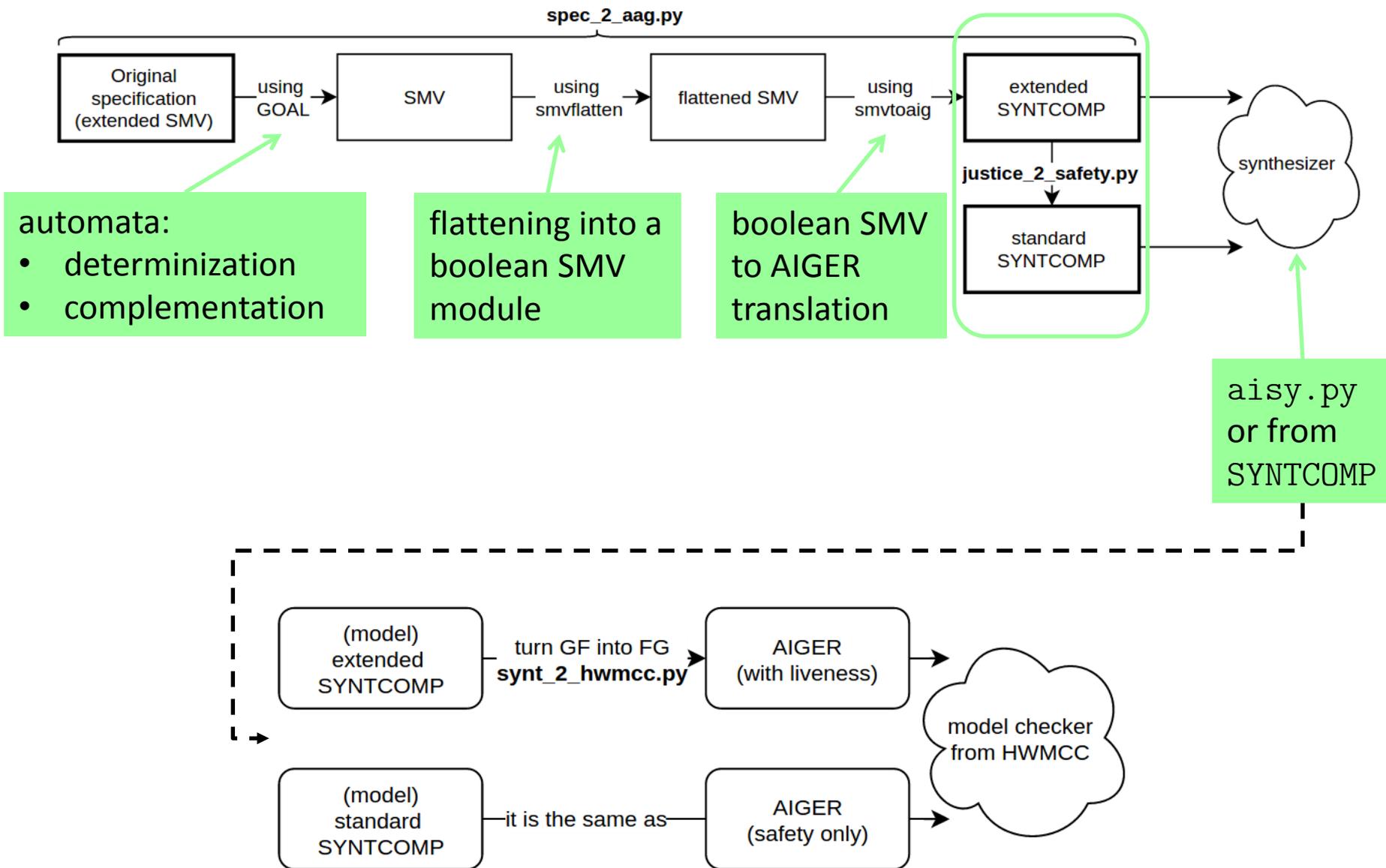


Standard:  $\mathbf{G} \neg bad$

Extended with liveness:

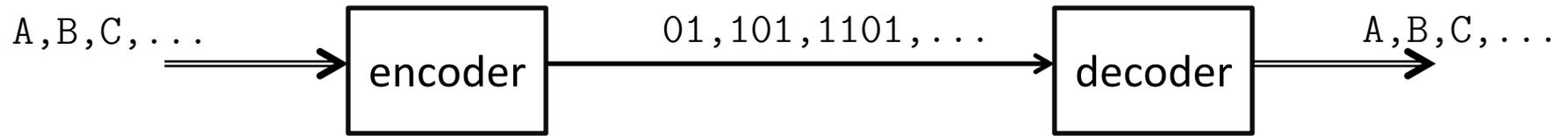
$$(\neg bad \mathbf{W} \neg inv) \wedge (\mathbf{G} inv \rightarrow \mathbf{GF} just)$$

# Working flow



# **SYNTHESIZING HUFFMAN ENCODER**

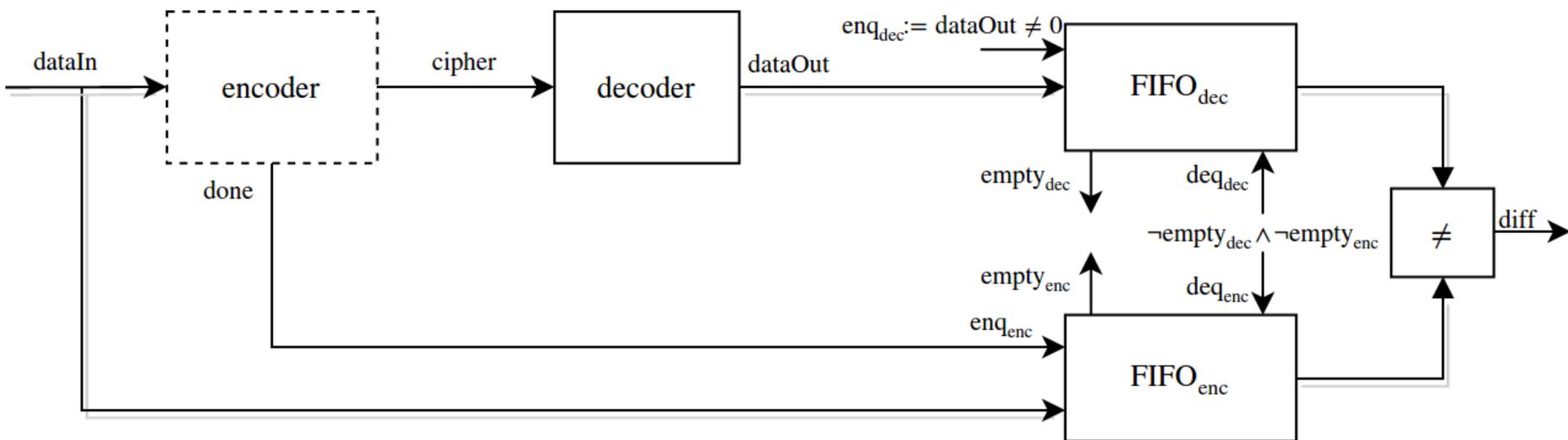
# Huffman encoding



“more often appearing letters have shorter ciphers”



# Synthesizing a Huffman encoder



## Specification

**A1.** “input *dataIn* is within range 1..27”

**A2.** “*dataIn* does not change until incl. the moment when *done* is high”

**G1.**  $G(\text{done} \rightarrow X \text{enq}_{dec})$

**G2.**  $G \neg \text{diff}$

**G3.**  $GF \text{done}$

# Info about the synthesis

- The specification:
  - # latches = 45
  - # AND gates = 3k
- The model has:
  - # AND gates = 130k (120k)
- Timings:
  - 2min (4min)
- The model is as expected

# Conclusion & discussion

- Adapted the SMV format to synthesis tasks
- Provided scripts to translate into the SYNTCOMP
  
- Is SMV good enough or Verilog should be used?
- Should we support LTL/RE formats?
- Should we support GR1 or full LTL semantics?
- Should we support partial information?
- Simpler ways to translate?

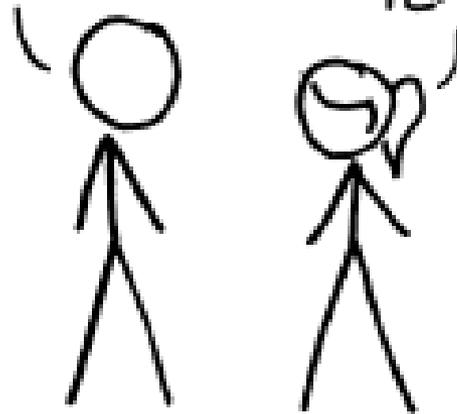
thank you

# HOW STANDARDS PROLIFERATE:

(SEE: A/C CHARGERS, CHARACTER ENCODINGS, INSTANT MESSAGING, ETC.)

SITUATION:  
THERE ARE  
14 COMPETING  
STANDARDS.

14?! RIDICULOUS!  
WE NEED TO DEVELOP  
ONE UNIVERSAL STANDARD  
THAT COVERS EVERYONE'S  
USE CASES.



YEAH!

SOON:

SITUATION:  
THERE ARE  
15 COMPETING  
STANDARDS.