

# A Complete Decision Procedure for Linearly Compositional Separation Logic with Data Constraints

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# Outline

- **Background**
- **Linearly compositional Separation logic with inductive definitions ( $SLID_{LC}$ )**
- **Satisfiability**
- **Entailment**



# Background

## ■ Dynamic data structures

### ❖ Plenty of them

- ◆ lists,
- ◆ nested lists,
- ◆ trees (binary search trees, red-black trees,...)

### ❖ Widely used in system software

- ◆ operating system kernel
- ◆ drivers
- ◆ ...

### ❖ Notoriously difficult to specify, analyze, and verify

- ◆ unbounded size
- ◆ data values over infinite domain
- ◆ pointer arithmetic



# Background

## ■ Separation logic (SL)

- ❖ Proposed around 2000, by P.O.Hearn, J.C. Reynolds, H. Yang, ...
- ❖ Local reasoning about heaps: Separation + Frame rule
- ❖ Syntax
  - First order logic + separating operators (separating conjunction and implication)
- ❖ SL with inductive definitions (SLID)

$$X \neq Z \wedge X \mid \rightarrow (next, Y) * lseg(Y, Z)$$

Inductive definition of  $lseg$ :

$$lseg(E, F) := E = F \wedge emp,$$

$$lseg(E, F) := \exists X. E \mid \rightarrow (next, X) * lseg(X, F)$$



# Background

## ■ SLID solvers & verification tools based on SLID

- ❖ Smallfoot (UCL, UK),
- ❖ Infer (Facebook, Queen Mary, Univ. of London, UK),
- ❖ VeriFast (KU Leuven, Belgium),
- ❖ SLEEK/HIP (NUS, Singapore),
- ❖ DRYAD (UIUC, USA),
- ❖ CELIA (LIAFA, France),
- ❖ SPEN (LIAFA, France),
- ❖ SLIDE (Verimag, France)
- ❖ GRASSHopper (NYU, USA)



# Background

- Usually **incomplete** decision procedures, especially when involving **data** and **size** constraints, e.g.
  - ❖ VeriFast
  - ❖ SLEEK/HIP
  - ❖ DRYAD
  - ❖ SPEN
- **Why complete decision procedures ?**
  - ❖ Theoretically appealing
  - ❖ Practical importance, e.g.
    - ◆ Specification consistency,
    - ◆ Counterexample generation



# Background

## ■ Our contribution

- ❖ **Linearly compositional SLID** ( $SLID_{LC}$ )  
lists, doubly linked lists, sorted lists,  
lists with length constraints, lists with tail pointers, ...
- ❖ **Complete** Decision procedures for  $SLID_{LC}$ 
  - ✦ satisfiability
  - ✦ entailment



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# Linearly compositional SLID (SLID<sub>LC</sub>)

## ■ Inductive predicates $P(E, \alpha; F, \beta; \xi)$

- ❖  $E, \alpha$ : source parameters,
- ❖  $F, \beta$ : destination parameters,
- ❖  $\xi$ : static parameters

## ■ For instance,

- ❖  $lseg(E; F)$ : list segments from  $E$  to  $F$
- ❖  $slseg(E, x; F, x')$ : sorted list segments from  $E$  to  $F$ ,  
 $x$  is the data value in  $E$ ,  $x'$  is the data value in  $F$ ,
- ❖  $dllseg(E, P; F, L)$ : doubly linked list segments from  $E$  to  $F$
- ❖  $tlseg(E; F; B)$ : list segments from  $E$  to  $F$  with tail pointers to  $B$ .



# Linearly compositional SLID (SLID<sub>LC</sub>)

## ■ Syntax

$\Pi ::= E = F \mid E \neq F \mid \Pi \wedge \Pi$  (Pure formula)

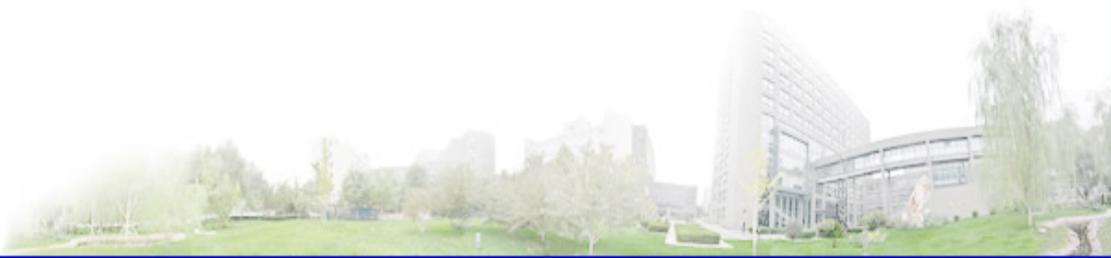
$\Delta ::= true \mid x \circ c \mid x \circ y + c \mid \Delta \wedge \Delta$  (Data formula)

$\Sigma ::= emp \mid E \mapsto \rho \mid P(E, \alpha; F, \beta; \xi) \mid \Sigma * \Sigma$  (Spatial formula)

$\rho ::= (f, X) \mid (d, x) \mid \rho, \rho$

where  $\circ \in \{=, \leq, \geq\}$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $d \in \mathcal{D}$  and

$P(E, \alpha; F, \beta; \xi)$  is a **linearly compositional** inductive predicate.



# Linearly compositional SLID (SLID<sub>LC</sub>)

- An inductive predicate  $P(E, \alpha; F, \beta; \xi)$  is linearly compositional if it is defined by the following two rules
  - ❖ base rule:  $P(E, \alpha; F, \beta; \xi) ::= E = F \wedge \alpha = \beta \wedge emp,$
  - ❖ inductive rule:
    - $P(E, \alpha; F, \beta; \xi) ::= \exists X \exists x. \Delta \wedge E \mid \rightarrow \rho * P(Y, \gamma; F, \beta; \xi)$  s.t.
      - ◆ none of the variables from  $F, \beta$  occurs in  $\Delta \wedge E \mid \rightarrow \rho$   
(which guarantees the composition lemma  
 $P(E_1, \alpha_1; E_2, \alpha_2; \xi) * P(E_2, \alpha_2; E_3, \alpha_3; \xi) \Rightarrow P(E_1, \alpha_1; E_3, \alpha_3; \xi)$ )
      - ◆ each conjunct of  $\Delta$  is of the form  $\alpha_i \circ \xi_j + c$  or  $\alpha_i \circ \gamma_i + c$
      - ◆ for each  $\alpha_i$ , if  $\alpha_i$  is a data variable, then either  $\alpha_i$  occurs in  $\rho$ , or  $\alpha_i = \gamma_i + c$  is a conjunct of  $\Delta$
      - ◆ ...

# Linearly compositional SLID ( $\text{SLID}_{\text{LC}}$ )

## ■ Semantics

- ❖ A state  $(s, h)$ ,
  - ◆  $s$  a store: assignment of values to variables
  - ◆  $h$  a heap:  
a partial function of finite domain from  $L \times (F \cup D)$  to  $L \cup Z$
- ❖ The semantics is defined by the relation  $(s, h) \models \varphi$ 
  - ◆  $(s, h) \models \varphi_1 * \varphi_2$  if  $h$  is partitioned into two domain-disjoint heaps  $h_1$  and  $h_2$  s.t.  $(s, h_1) \models \varphi_1$  and  $(s, h_2) \models \varphi_2$
  - ◆ The semantics of  $P(E, \alpha; F, \beta; \xi)$  is defined as the least fixed point.



# Linearly compositional SLID (SLID<sub>LC</sub>)

## ■ Examples

### ❖ Sorted list segments,

$$slseg(E, x; F, x') ::= E = F \wedge x = x' \wedge emp,$$

$$slseg(E, x; F, x') ::= \exists X, x''. x \leq x'' \wedge$$

$$E \mapsto ((next, X), (data, x))^* slseg(X, x''; F, x')$$

### ❖ Doubly linked list segments,

$$dllseg(E, P; F, L) ::= E = F \wedge P = L \wedge emp,$$

$$dllseg(E, P; F, L) ::= \exists X. E \mapsto ((next, X), (prev, P))^* dllseg(X, E; F, L)$$

### ❖ Doubly linked list segments with length function,

$$ldllseg(E, P, x; F, L, x') ::= E = F \wedge P = L \wedge x = x' \wedge emp,$$

$$ldllseg(E, P, x; F, L, x') ::= \exists X, x''. x = x'' + 1 \wedge$$

$$E \mapsto ((next, X), (prev, P))^* ldllseg(X, E, x''; F, L, x')$$

### ❖ ...



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# Satisfiability

## ■ Thm. Satisfiability of $SLID_{LC}$ is in NP.

❖ Reduction to satisfiability of quantifier free linear arithmetic constraint (discharged by some SMT solver e.g. Z3)

❖ E.g.  $\varphi = E_1 = E_4 \wedge x_1 > x_2 + 1 \wedge Idllseg(E_1, E_3, x_1; E_2, E_4, x_2)$

✦ The formula  $\varphi$  is unsatisfiable

✦  $Abs(\varphi) = E_1 = E_4 \wedge x_1 > x_2 + 1 \wedge$   
 $(\neg[E_1, 1] \wedge \neg[E_4, 1] \wedge E_1 = E_2 \wedge E_3 = E_4 \wedge x_1 = x_2 \wedge k_1 = 0) \vee$   
 $([E_1, 1] \wedge [E_4, 1] \wedge E_1 = E_4 \wedge k_1 = 1 \wedge x_1 = x_2 + k_1) \vee$   
 $([E_1, 1] \wedge [E_4, 1] \wedge E_1 \neq E_4 \wedge k_1 \geq 2 \wedge x_1 = x_2 + k_1)$

where  $[E_1, 1], [E_4, 1]$  are the newly introduced Boolean variables

The formula  $Abs(\varphi)$  is unsatisfiable.

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# Entailment

## ■ Thm. Entailment of $\text{SLID}_{\text{LC}}$ is in $\Pi_3^P$

❖ The problem  $\varphi \models \psi$  s.t.  $\text{Vars}(\psi) \subseteq \text{Vars}(\varphi)$ , and  $\text{Flds}(\varphi) = \text{Flds}(\psi)$ .

E.g.  $\text{ldllseg}(E, P, x; F, L, x') \models \text{dllseg}(E, P; F, L)$

❖ Idea: Extend the idea of **graph homomorphisms** (Cook et al. CONCUR 2011)

❖ Proof sketch

◆  $\varphi \Rightarrow G_\varphi$  (resp.  $\psi \Rightarrow G_\psi$ ):

$E \sim F$  iff  $\text{Abs}(\varphi) \models E = F$  (resp.  $\text{Abs}(\psi) \models E = F$ )

◆ **Allocating plans**  $\mathcal{AP}$  of  $G_\varphi$ :

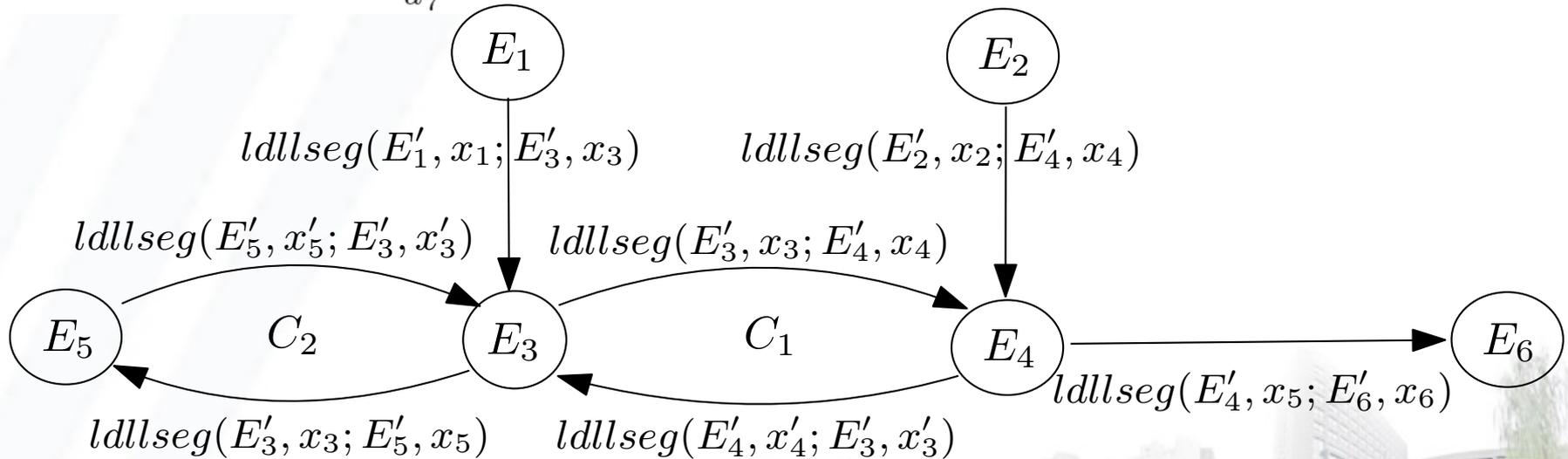
$G_{\mathcal{AP}}$ : **DAG-like** graphs obtained by simplifying  $G_\varphi$

◆ For each allocating plan  $\mathcal{AP}$ ,

check the existence of a **homomorphism** from  $G_\psi$  to  $G_{\mathcal{AP}}$

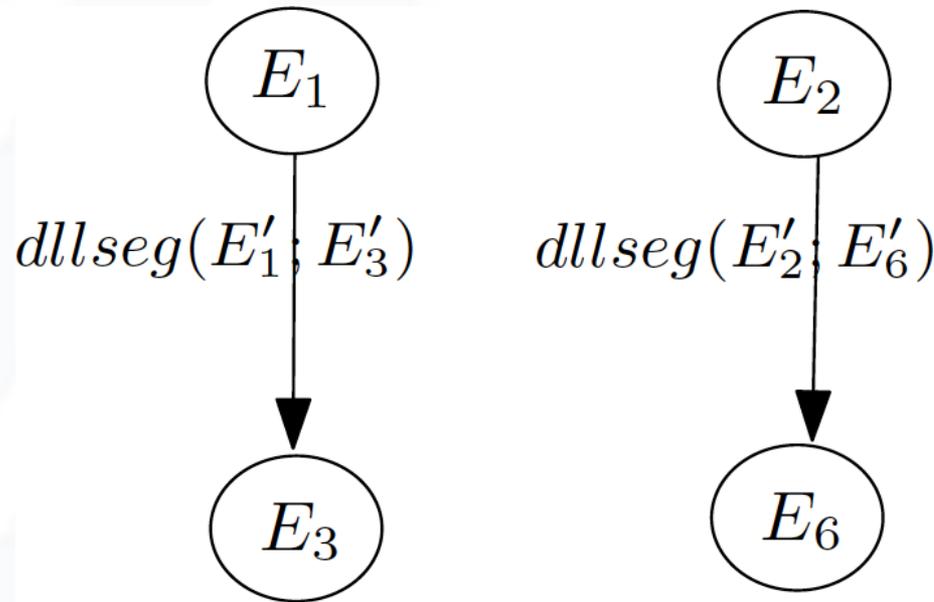
# Graph representation $G_\varphi$

$$\varphi = \underbrace{ldllseg(E_1, E'_1, x_1; E_3, E'_3, x_3)}_{a_1} * \underbrace{ldllseg(E_2, E'_2, x_2; E_4, E'_4, x_4)}_{a_2} * \underbrace{ldllseg(E_3, E'_3, x_3; E_4, E'_4, x_4)}_{a_3} * \underbrace{ldllseg(E_4, E'_4, x_4; E_3, E'_3, x_3)}_{a_4} * \underbrace{ldllseg(E_3, E'_3, x_3; E_5, E'_5, x_5)}_{a_5} * \underbrace{ldllseg(E_5, E'_5, x_5; E_3, E'_3, x_3)}_{a_6} * \underbrace{ldllseg(E_4, E'_4, x_5; E_6, E'_6, x_6)}_{a_7}.$$

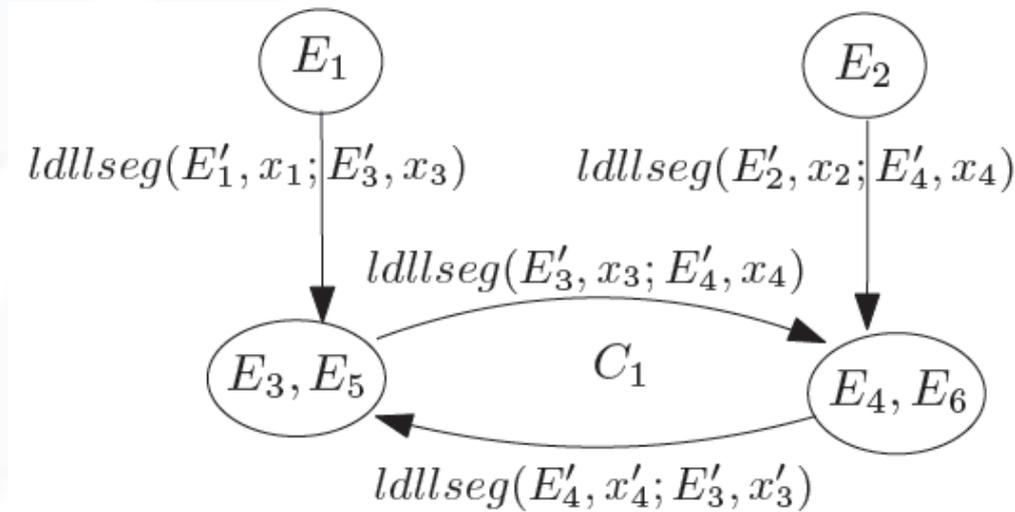
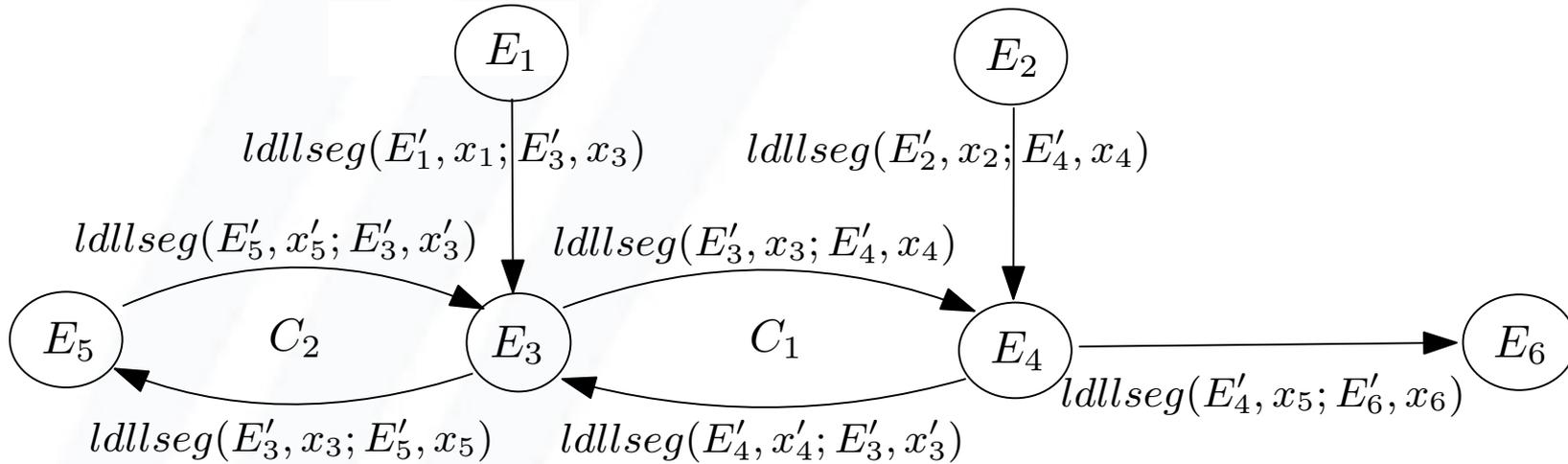


# Graph representation $G_\psi$

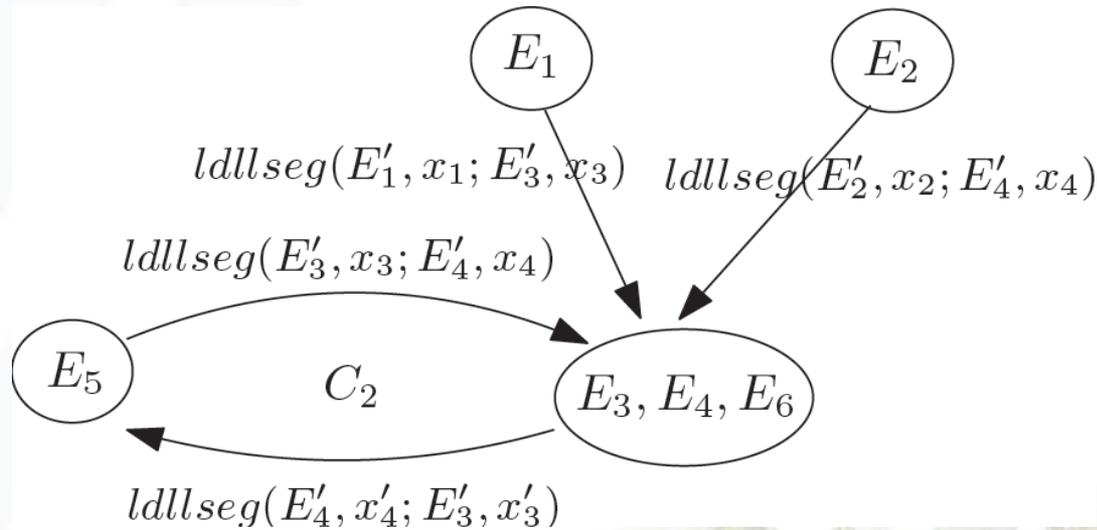
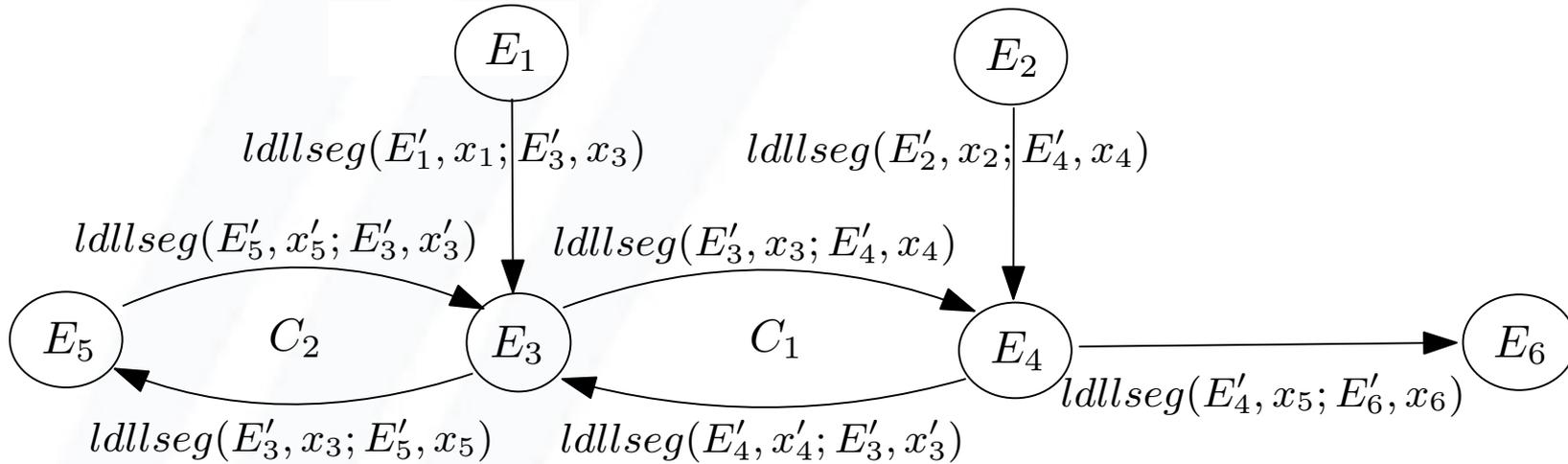
- $\psi = dllseg(E_1, E_1'; E_3, E_3') * dllseg(E_2, E_2'; E_6, E_6')$



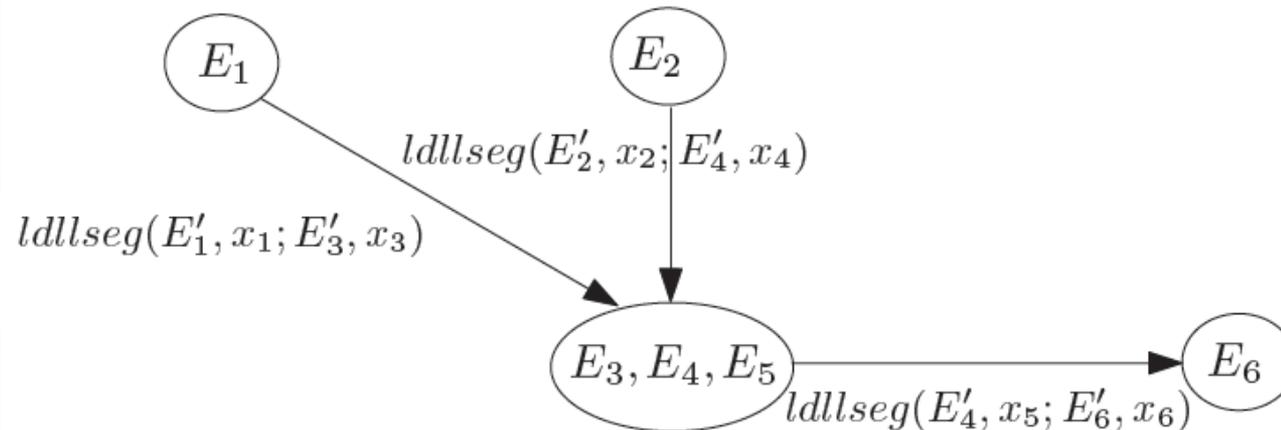
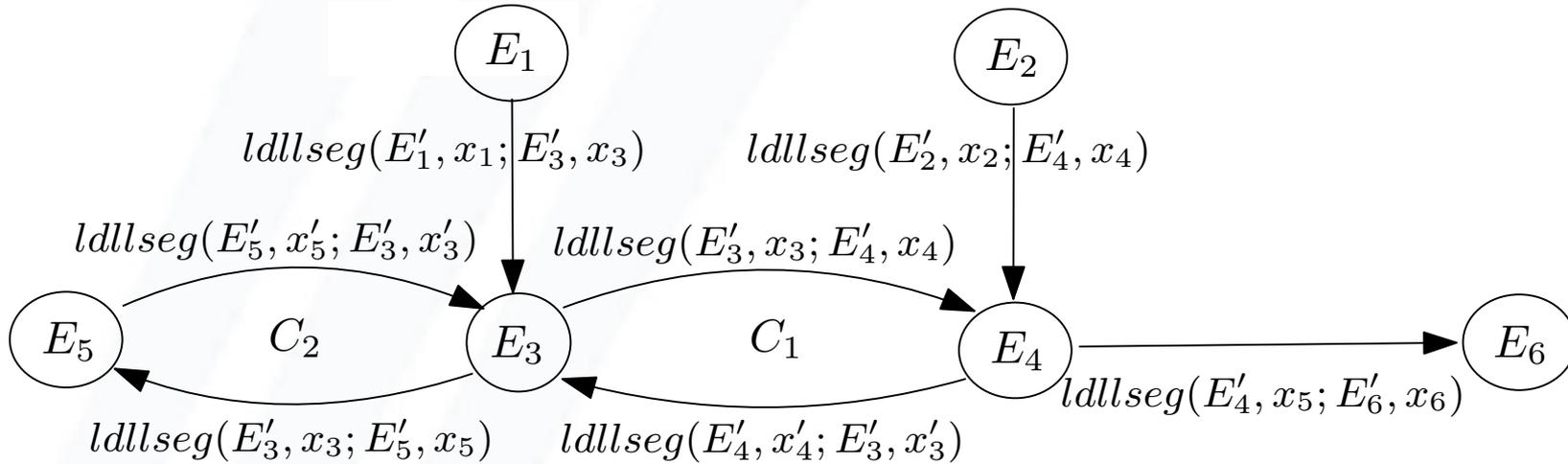
# Allocating plans of $G_\varphi$



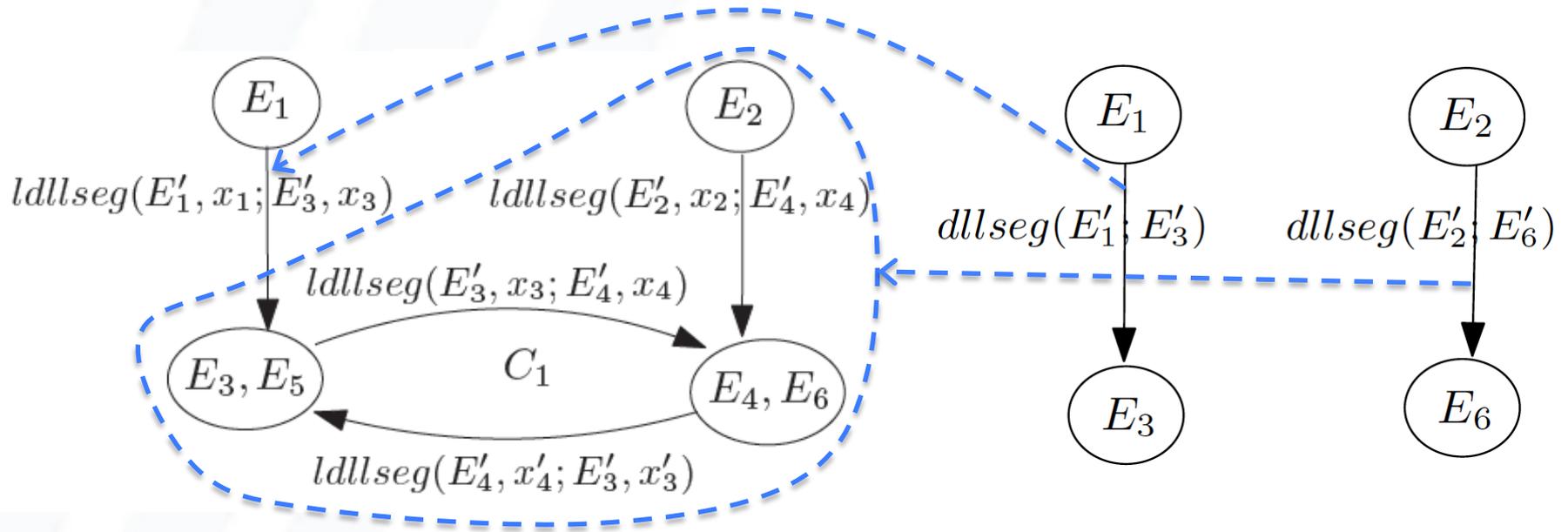
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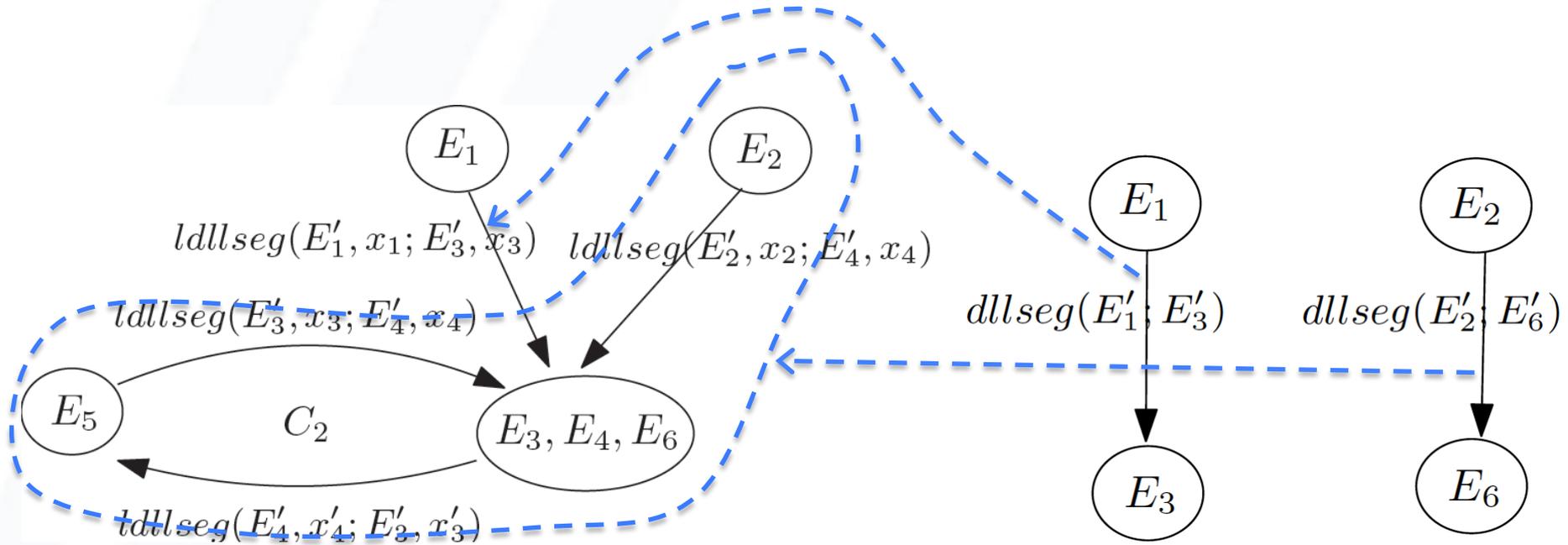
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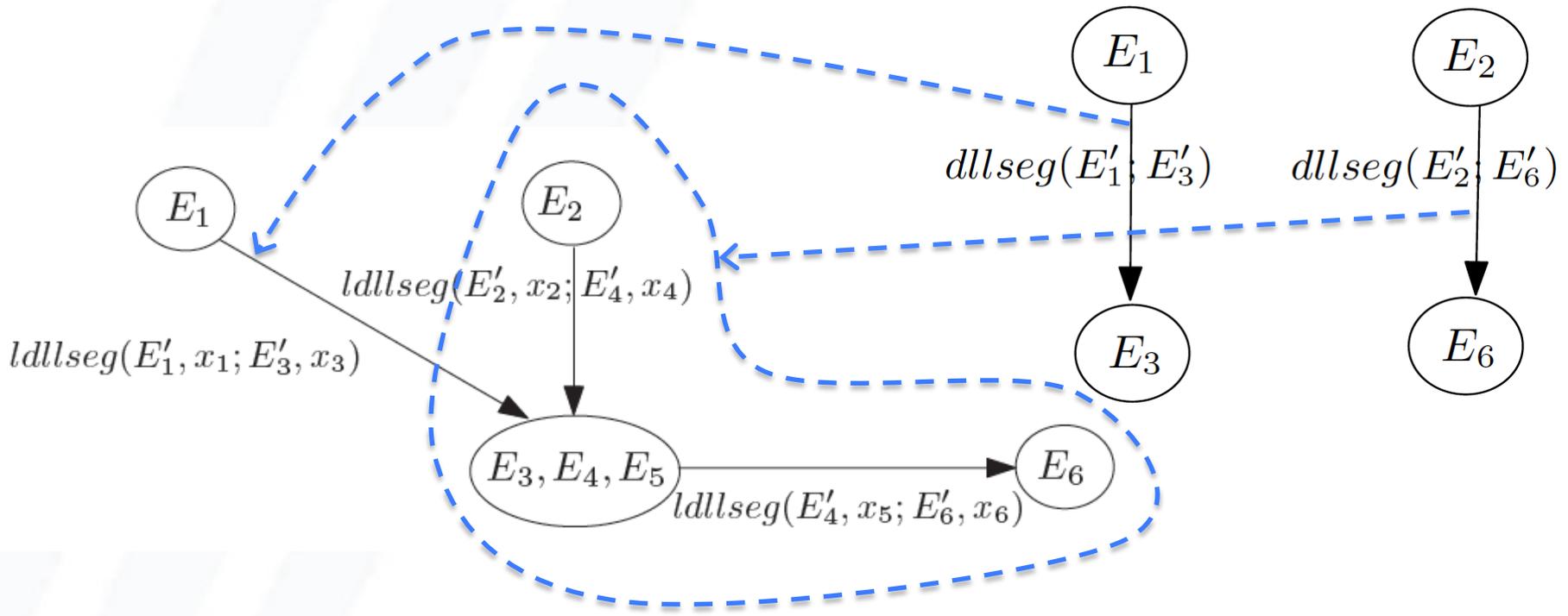
# Homomorphism from $G_\psi$ to $G_{\mathcal{AP}}$



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# Homomorphism from $G_\psi$ to $G_{AP}$



# Conclusion and future work

## ■ To summarize

- ❖ Linearly compositional separation logic with inductive definitions ( $SLID_{LC}$ )
- ❖ Complete decision procedures for the satisfiability and entailment problem of  $SLID_{LC}$

## ■ Ongoing and future work

- ❖ We are implementing the decision procedures (Based on SPEN)
- ❖ Extend to set, multiset constraints
- ❖ Extend to tree structures (e.g. binary search trees, red-black trees, ...)

