
Parameterized Linear Temporal Logics Meet Costs: Still not Costlier than LTL

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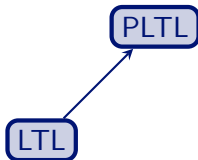
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 - Many extensions that are equivalent to ω -regular languages: add regular expression-, grammar-, or automata-operators to LTL.

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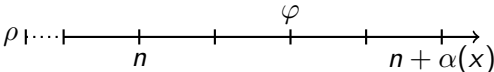
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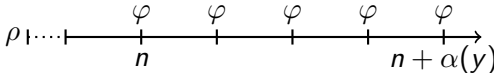
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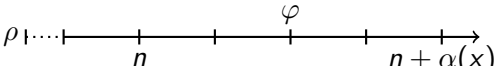
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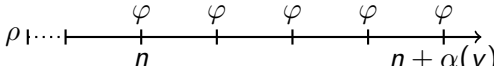
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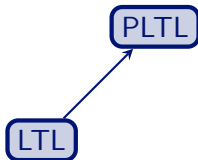
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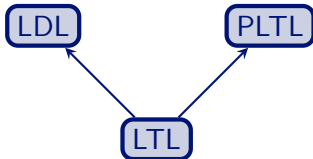
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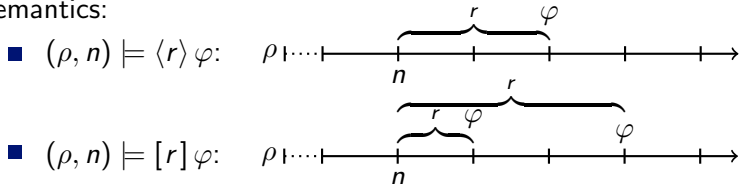
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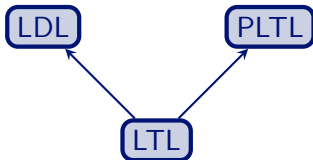
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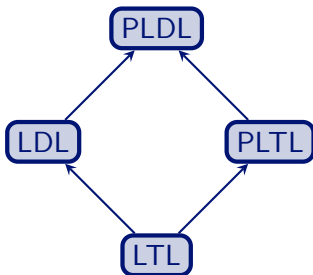
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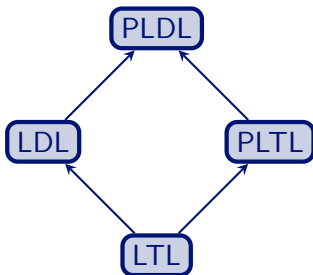
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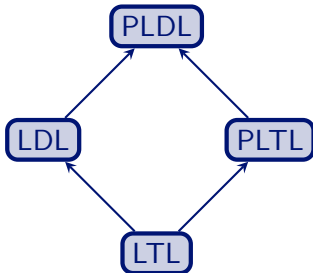
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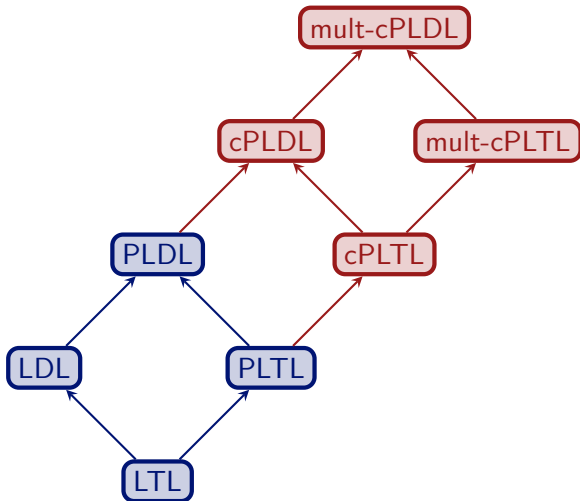
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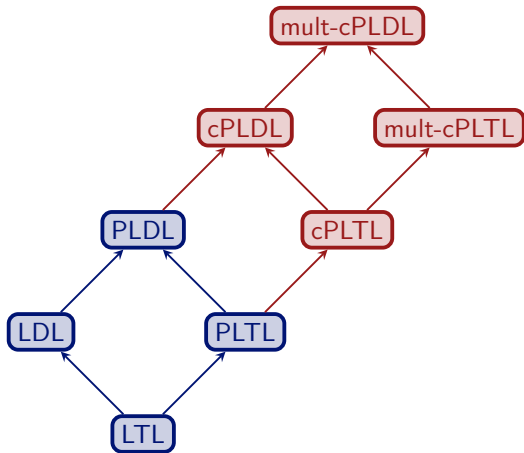
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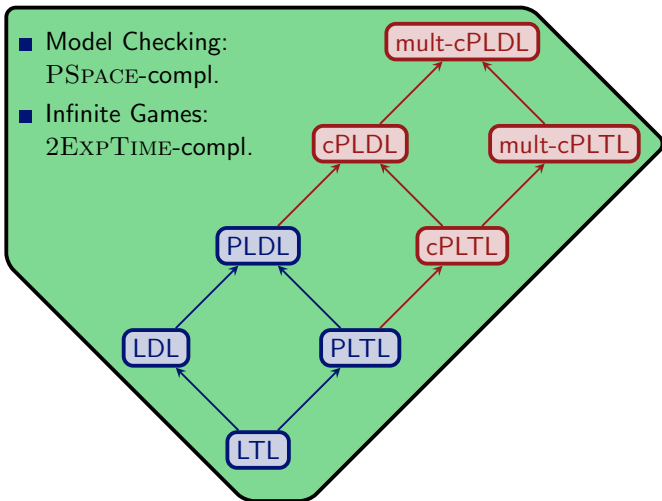
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