

TOWARDS AUTOMATING THE **ANALYSIS OF INTEGRITY CONSTRAINTS** IN MULTI-LEVEL MODELS

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GOAL

- analysis of correctness properties in multi-level models
- starting with a basic correctness property: satisfiability

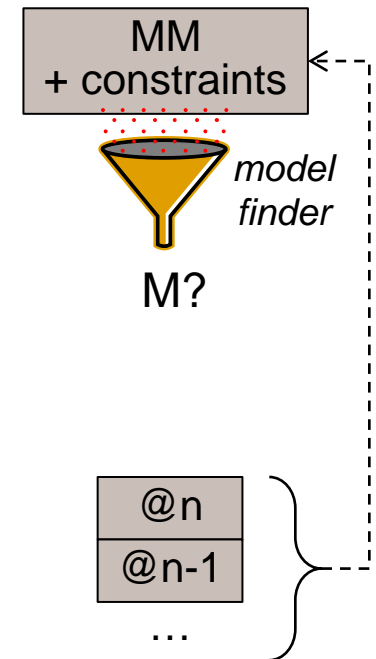
*“given a meta-model with (ocl) integrity constraints,
is there a valid model that satisfies all constraints?”*

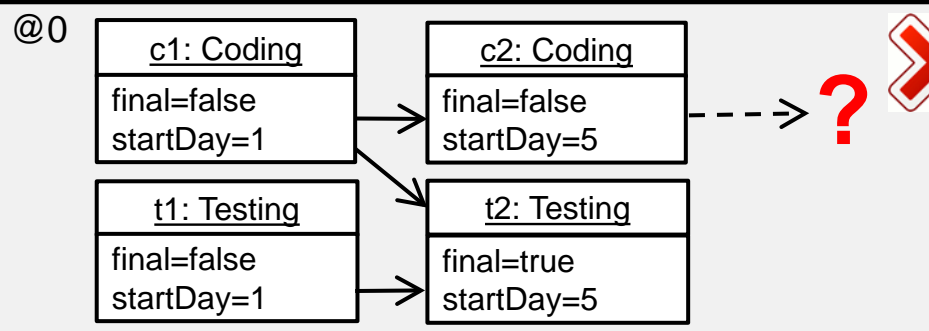
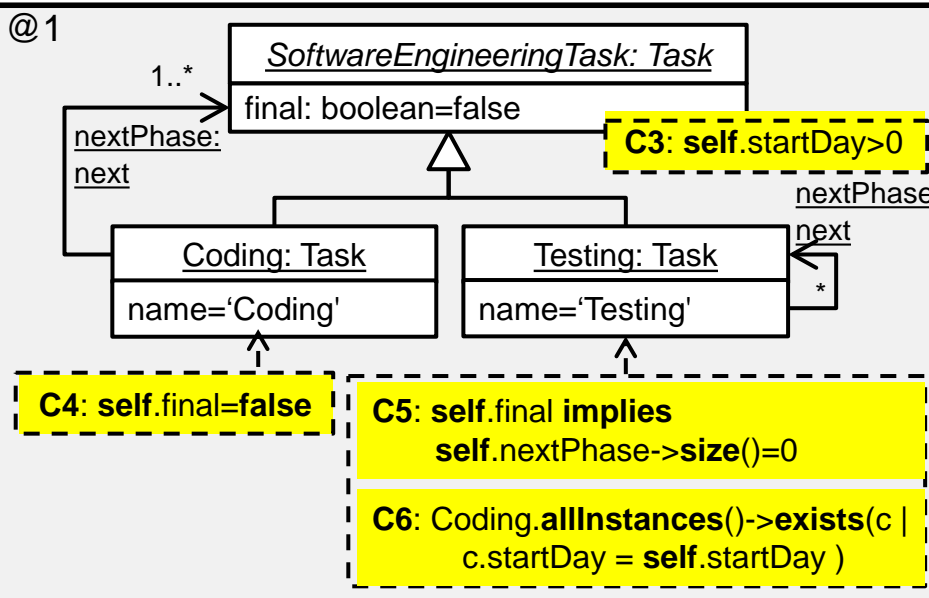
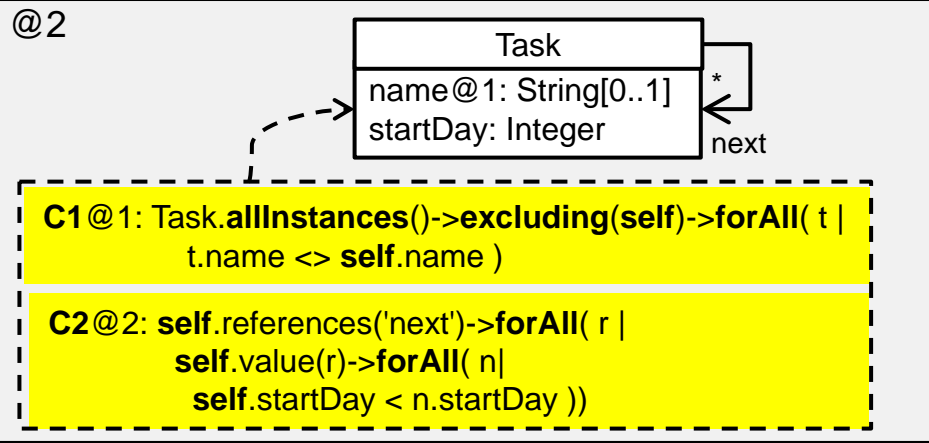
2-LEVELS

- constraints defined in MM, and evaluated in M
- analysis by means of *off-the-shelf* model finders

MULTI-LEVEL MODELLING

- constraints defined at any meta-level
- constraints evaluated n meta-levels below
- contribution: how to use standard model finders to analyse multi-level models





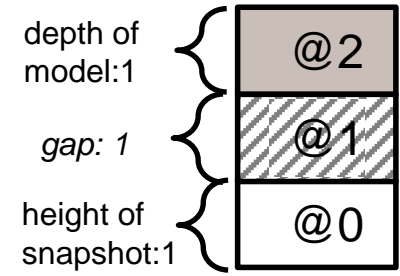
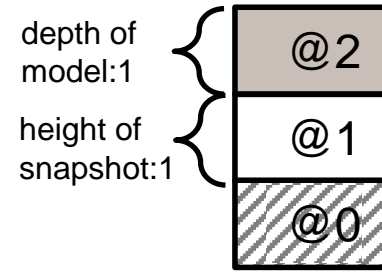
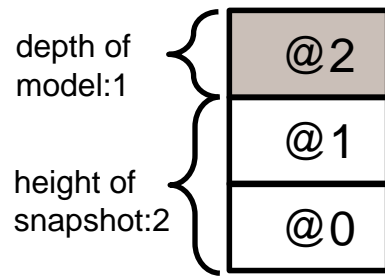
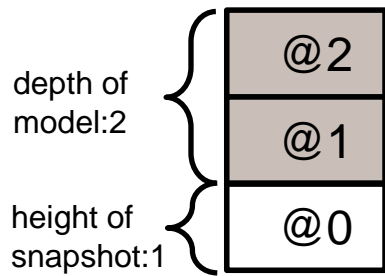
metaDepth

<http://astreo.ii.uam.es/~jlara/metaDepth/>

- multi-level textual framework
- constraints defined in any meta-level
- **potency**: meta-level of instantiation (or constraint evaluation)
- **reflection**: useful for constraints to be evaluated >1 meta-levels below
 - *references(r)*: name of references that instantiate reference *r*
 - *value(r)*: content of reference with name *r*

can this model be completed?

SCENARIOS in the analysis of multi-level models



APPLICATIONS

model completion,
satisfiability of new
constraints at level
1

satisfiability at any
meta-level,
of a language
definition

standard two-
level scenario

existence of
models@0 with
certain features,
assess potencies

CHALLENGES

flatten two meta-
levels into one,
which will be input
to the finder

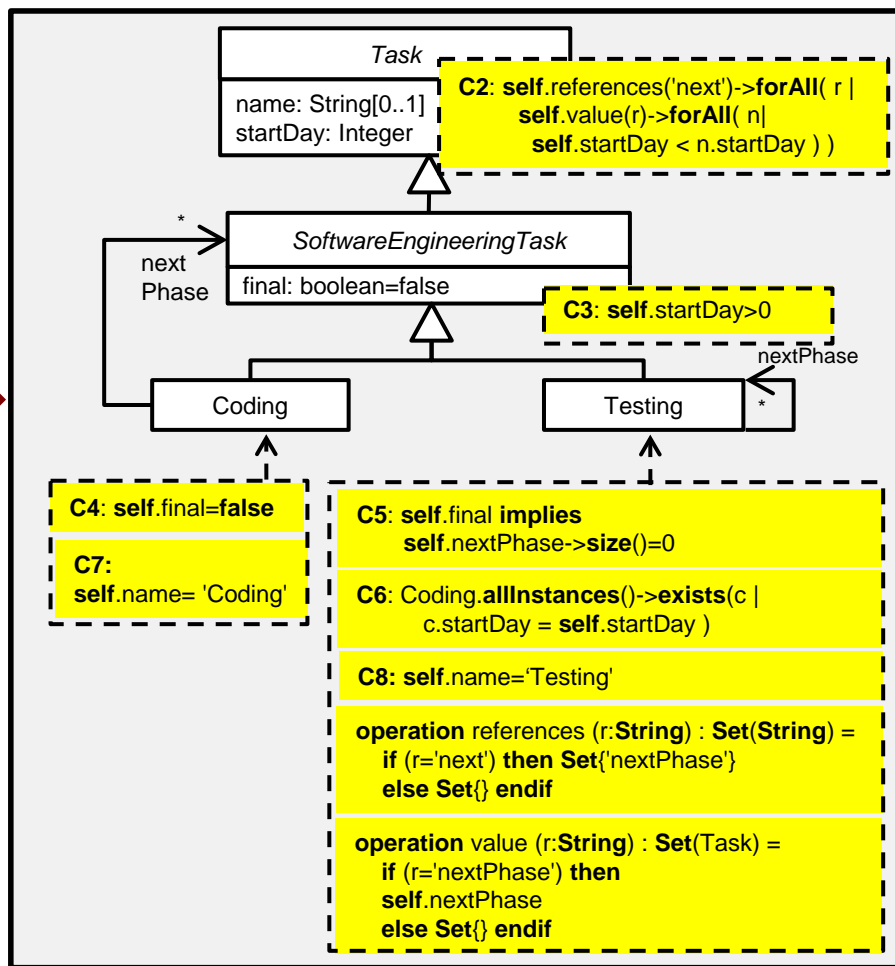
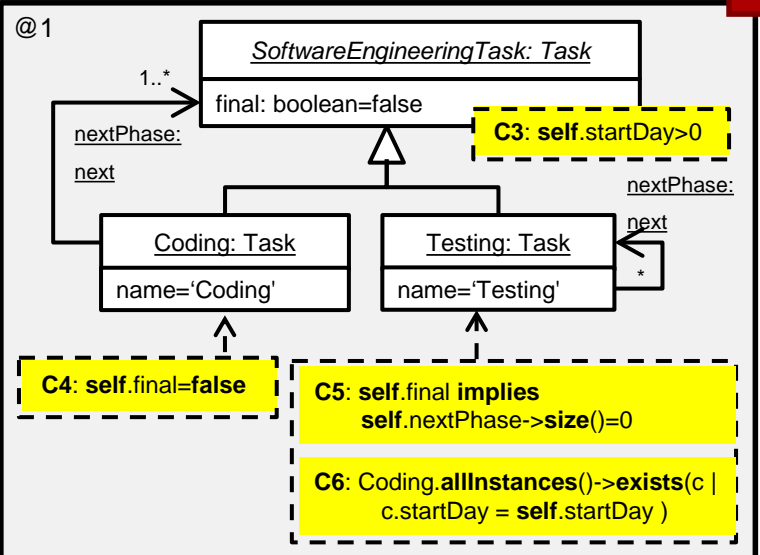
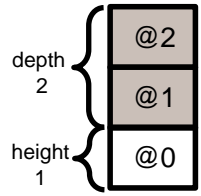
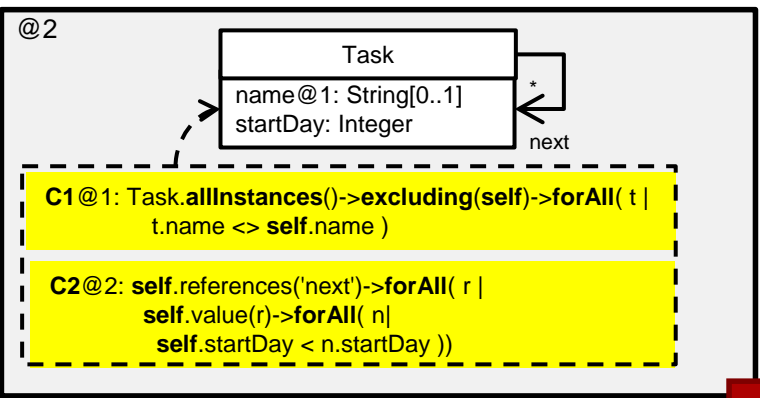
emulate the
generation of
several meta-
levels within one

remove
constraints with
potency > 1

particular case of
second scenario

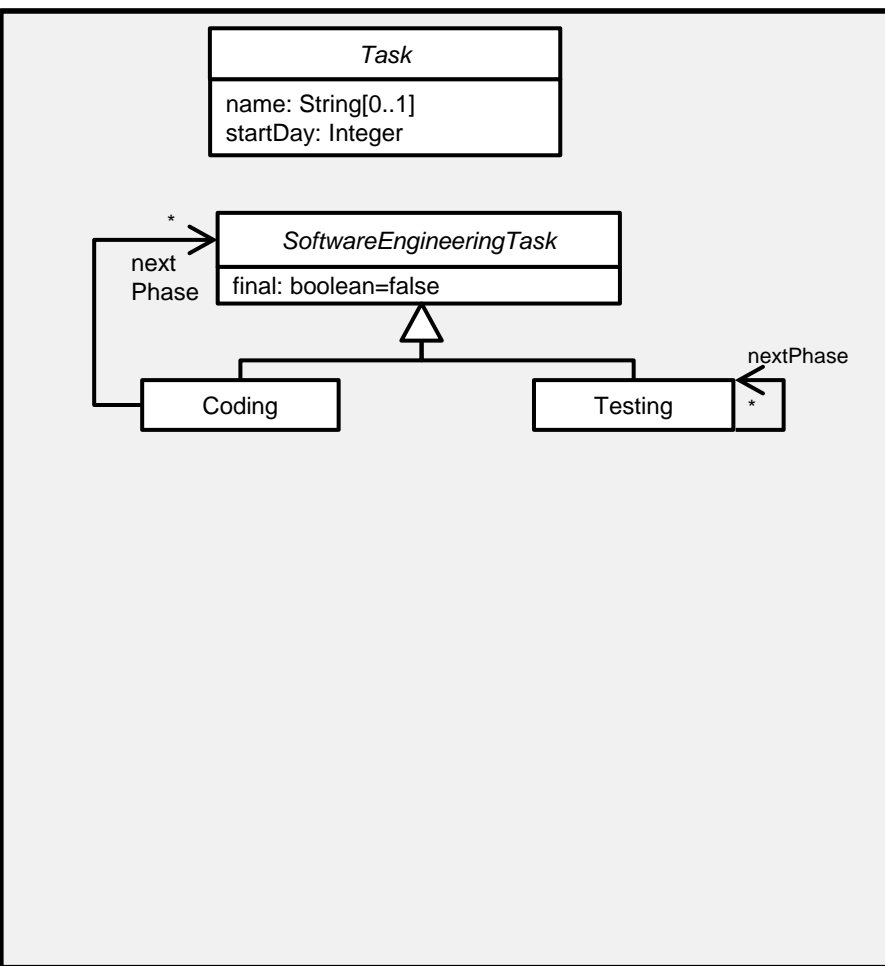
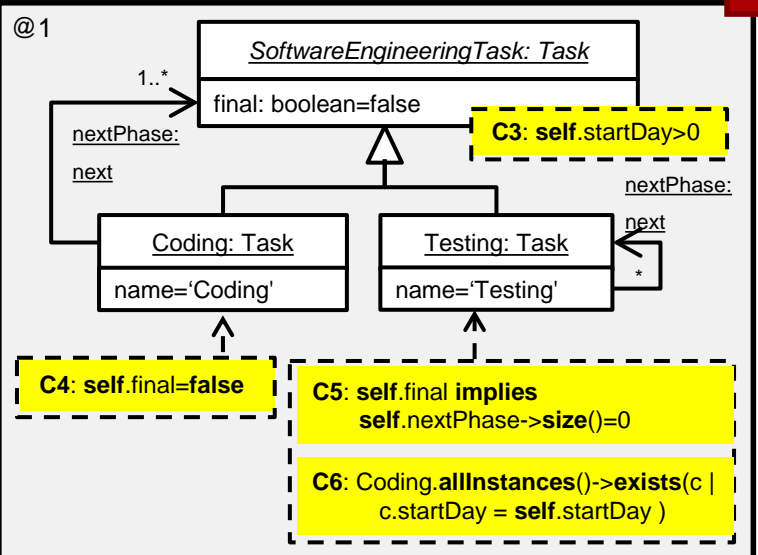
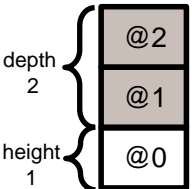
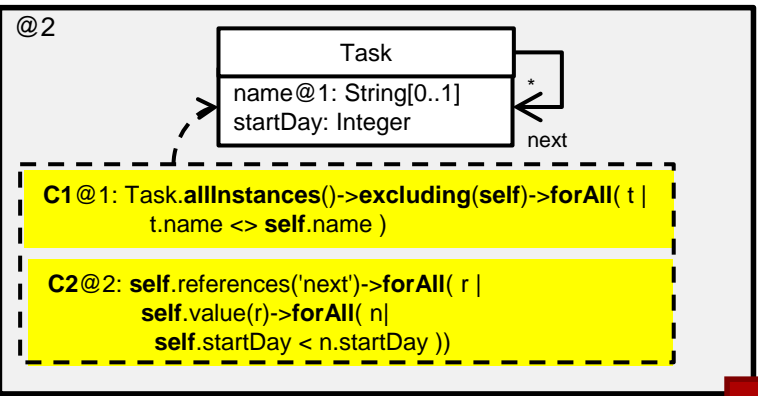
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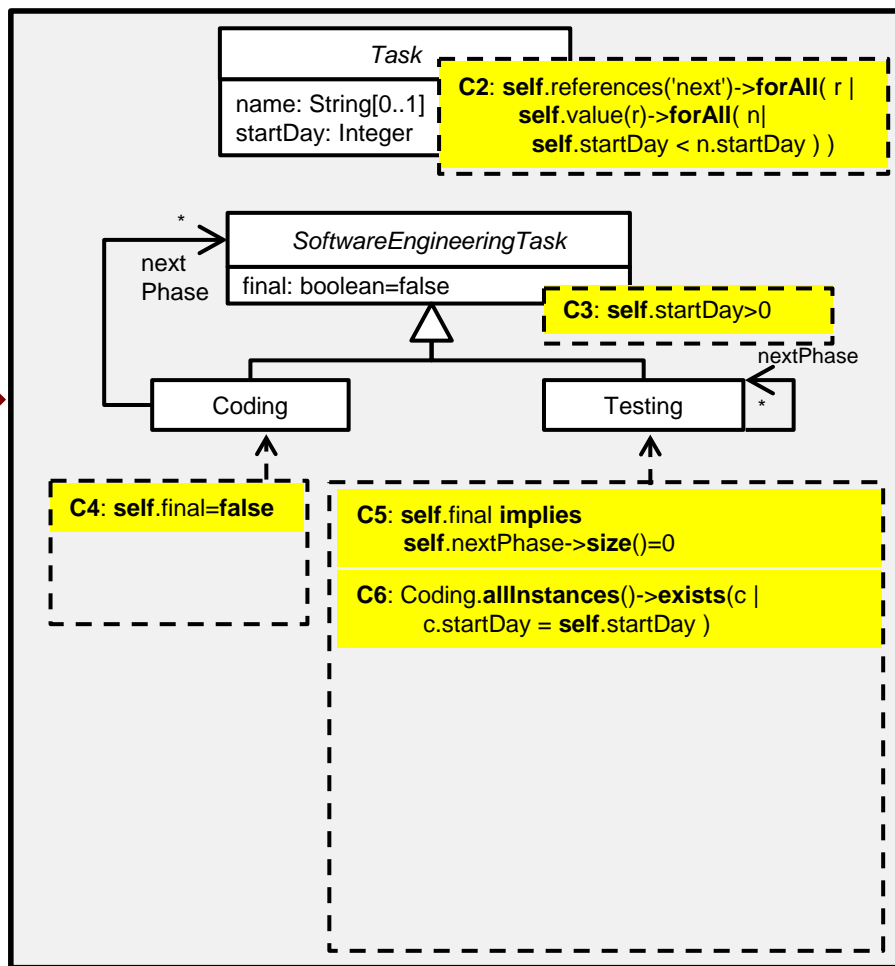
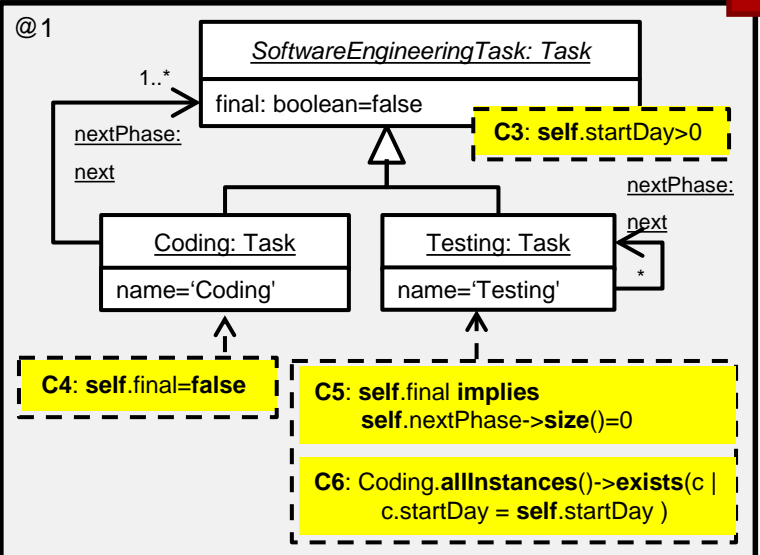
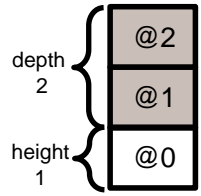
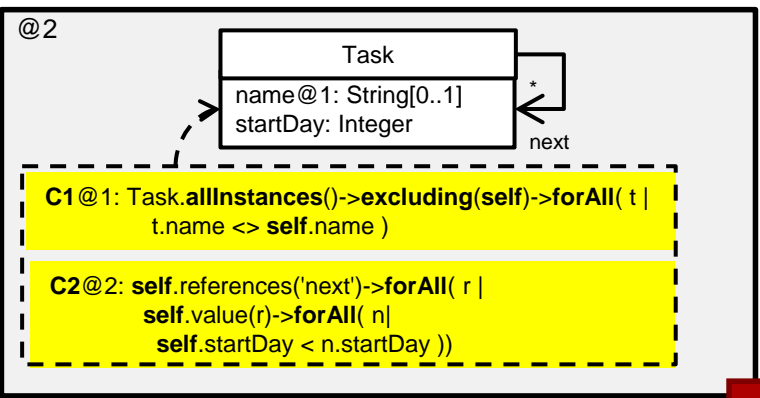
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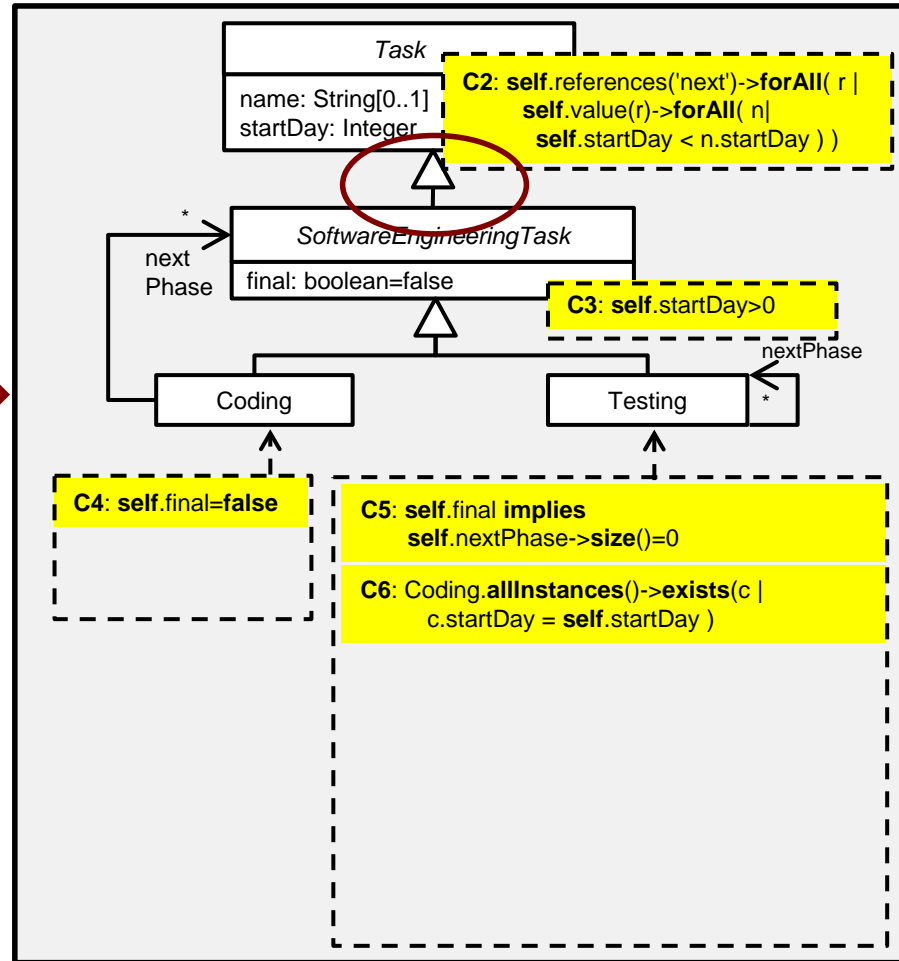
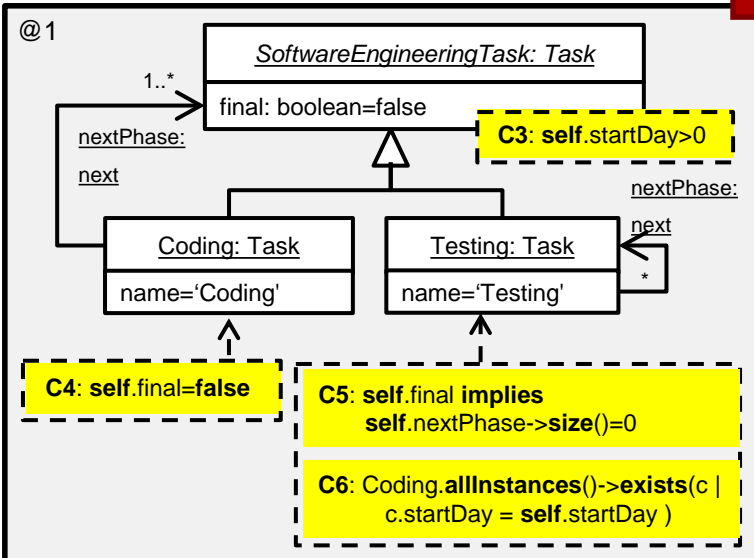
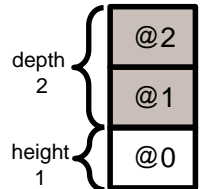
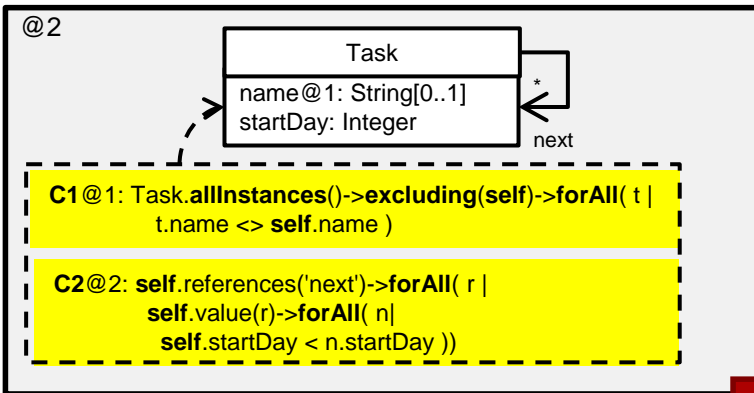
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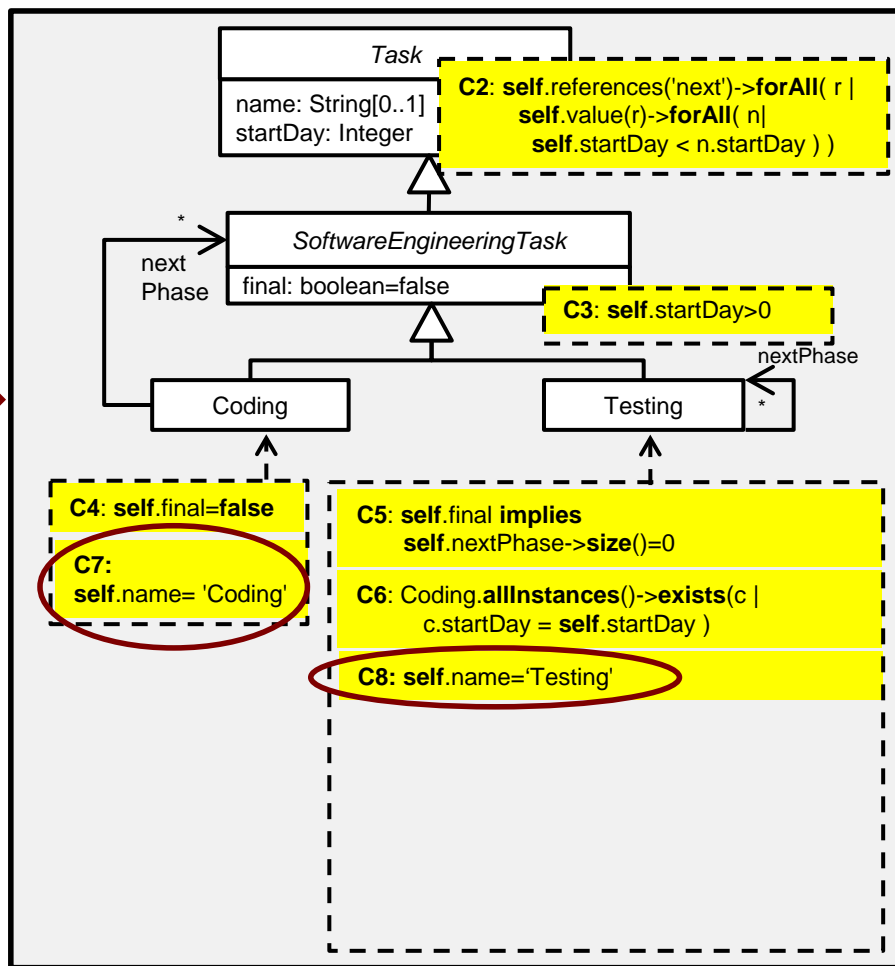
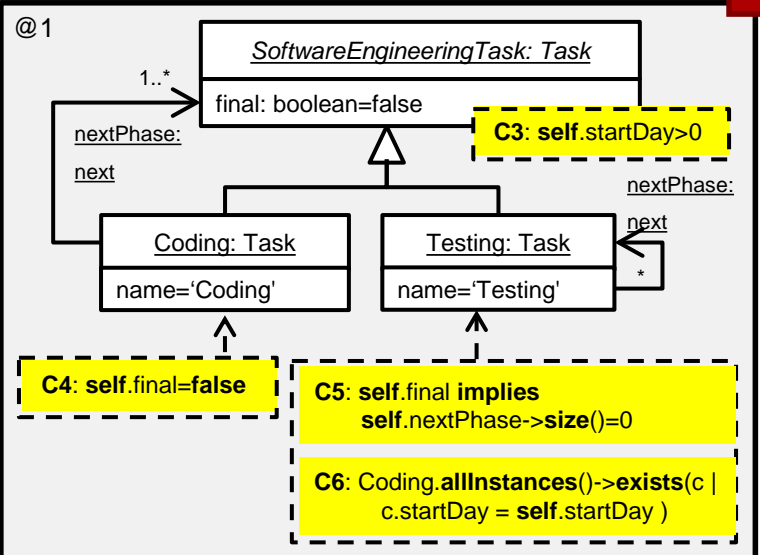
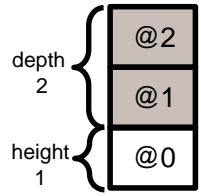
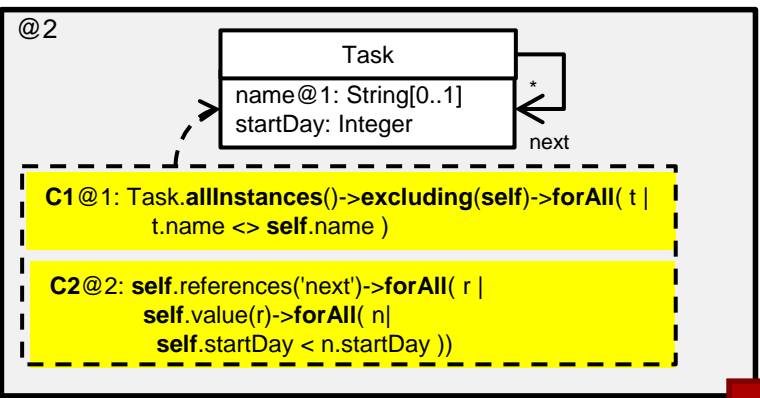
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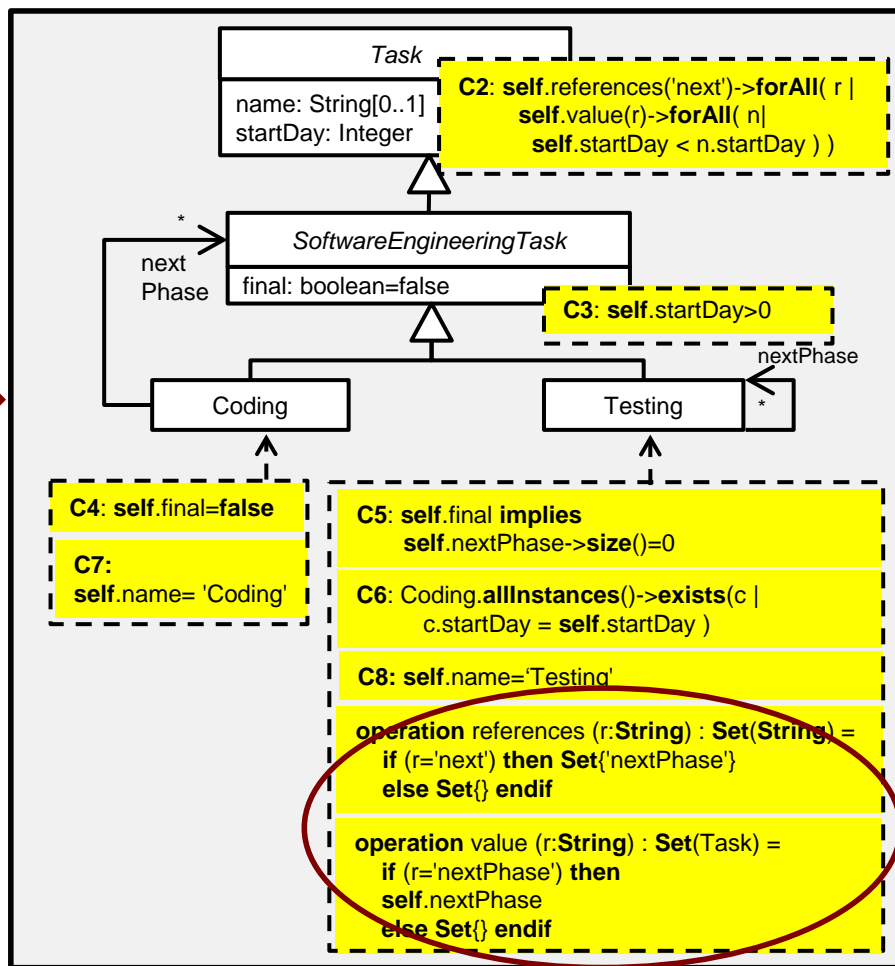
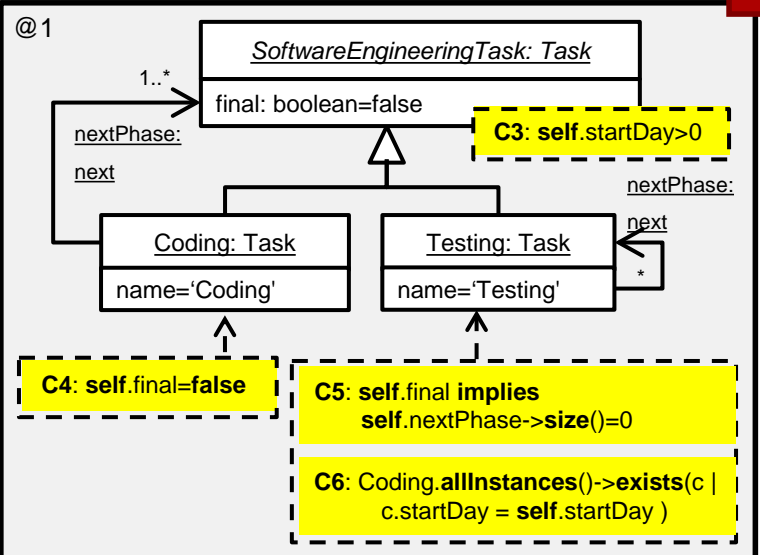
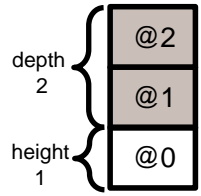
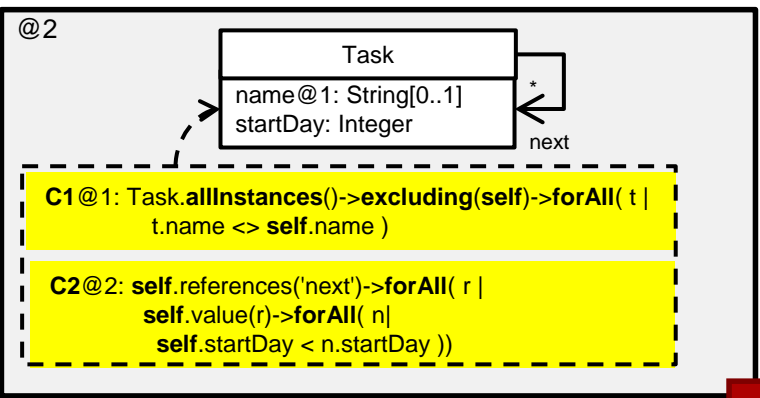
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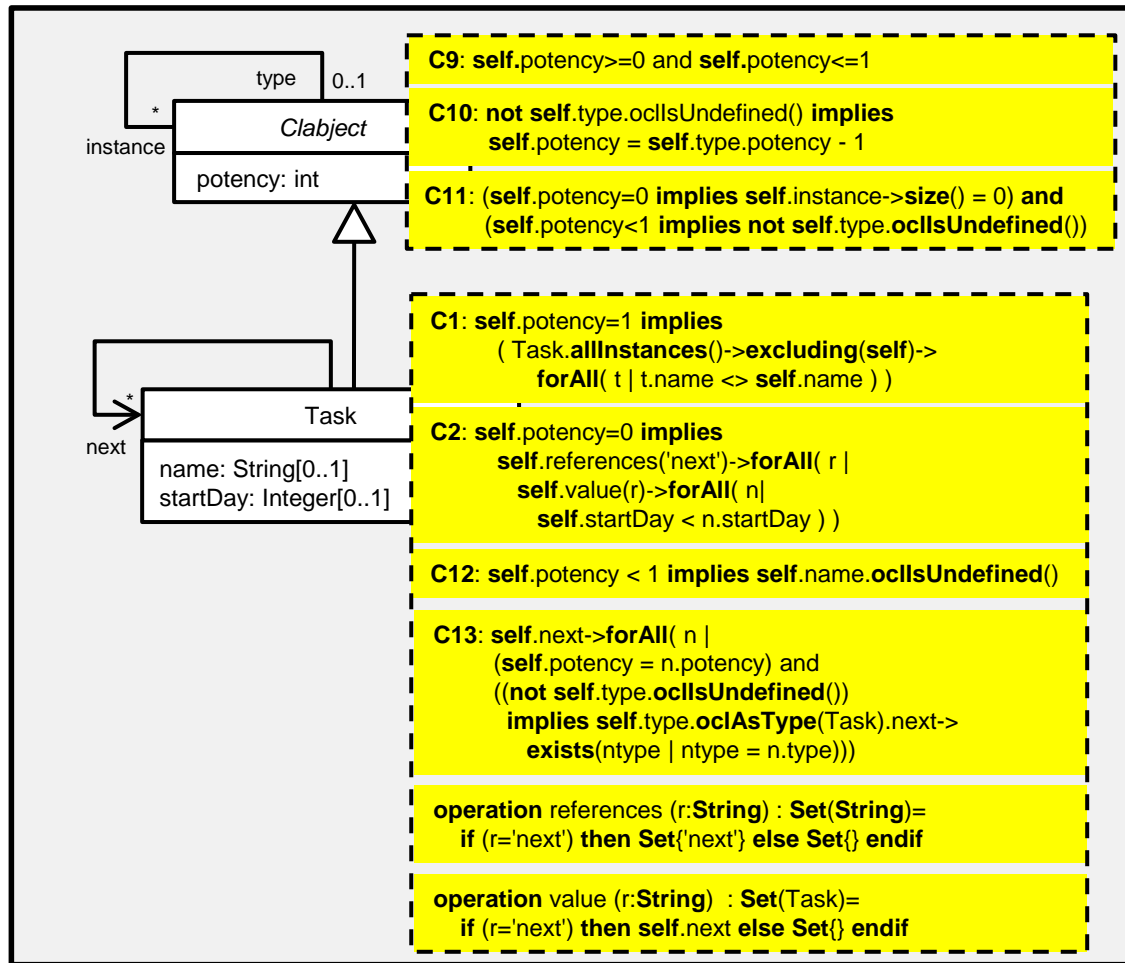
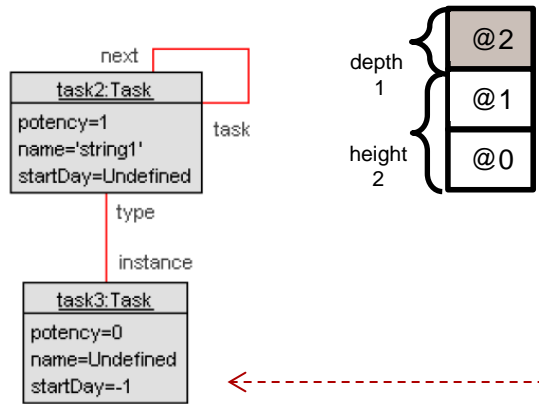
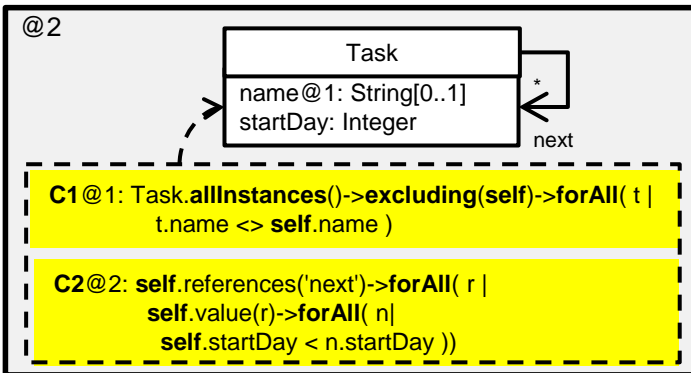
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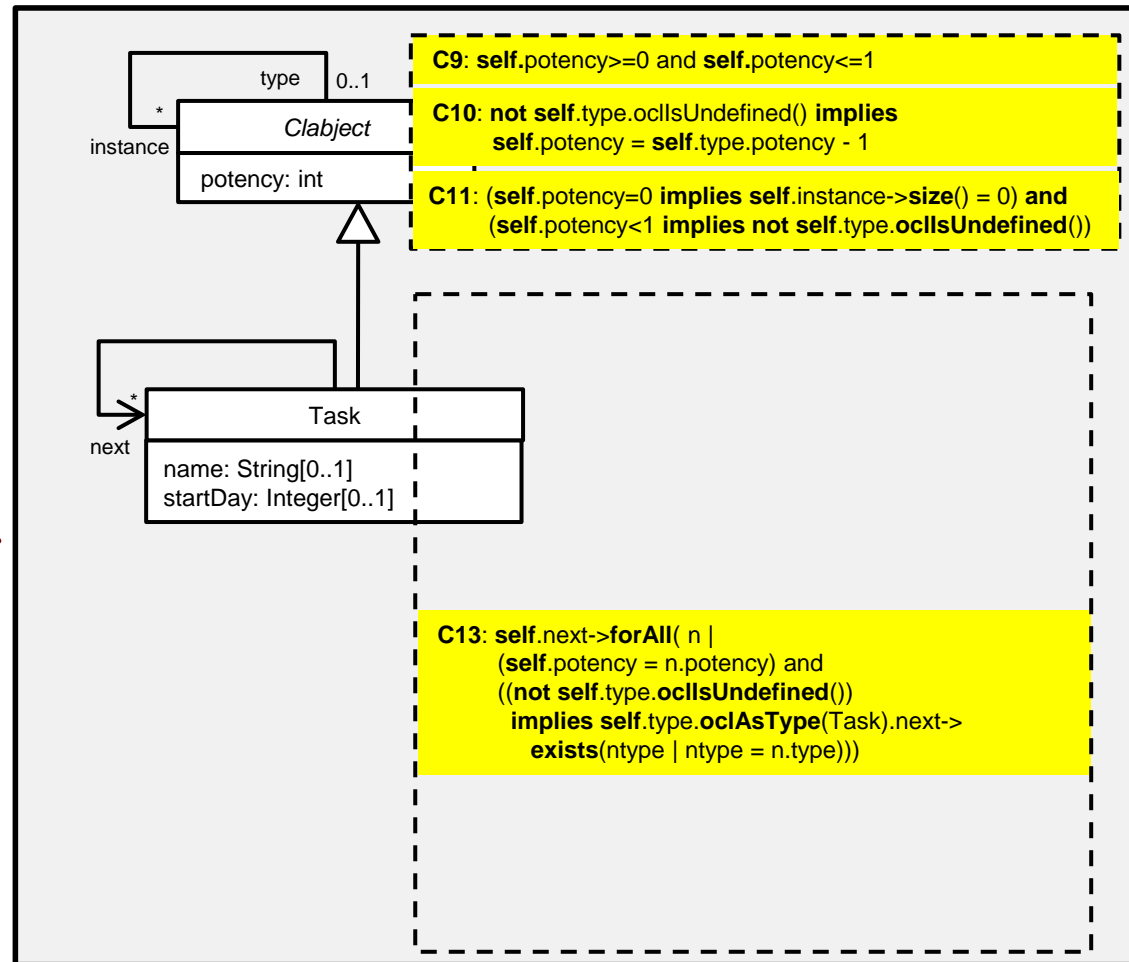
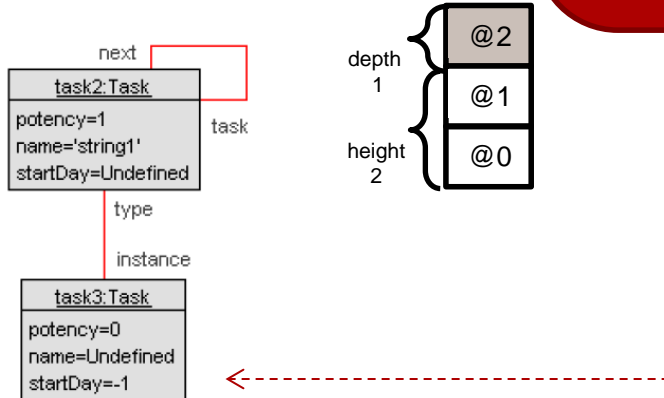
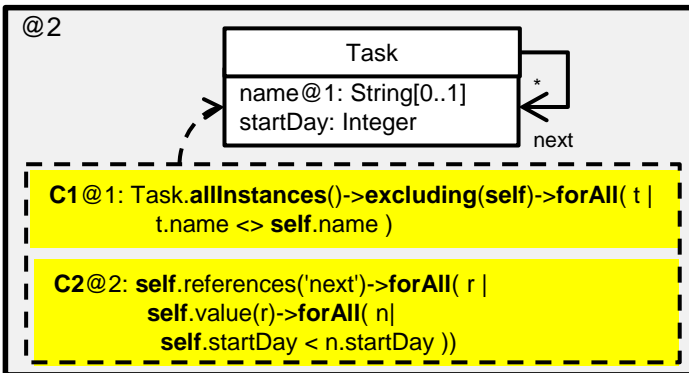
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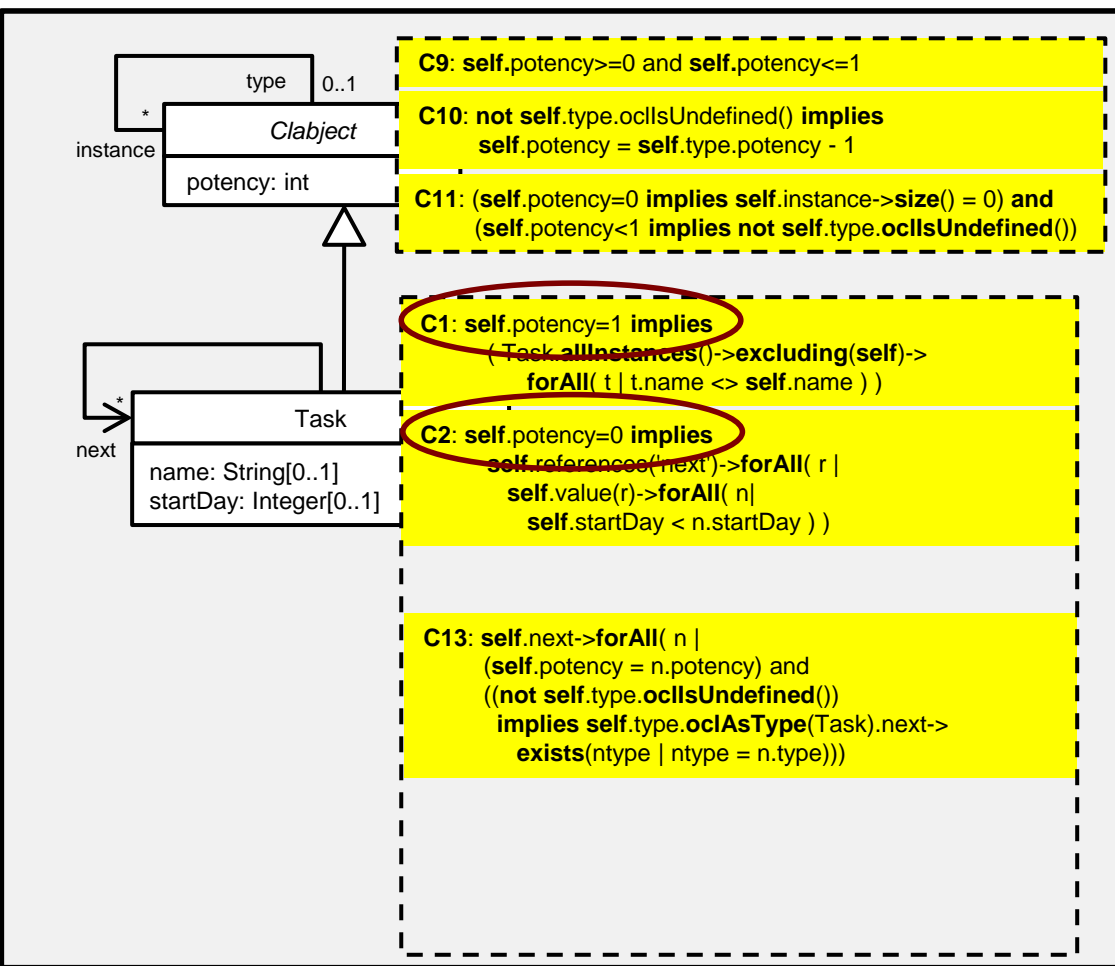
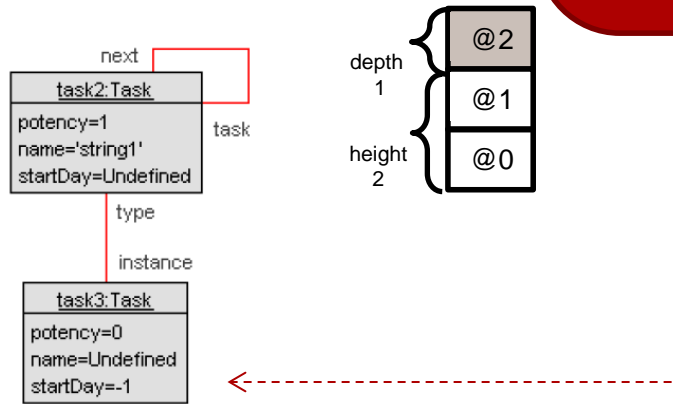
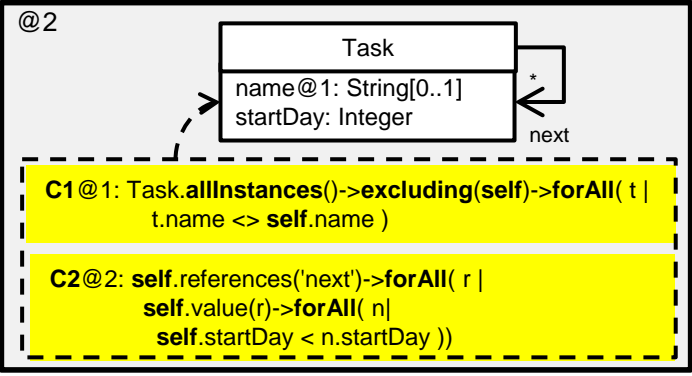
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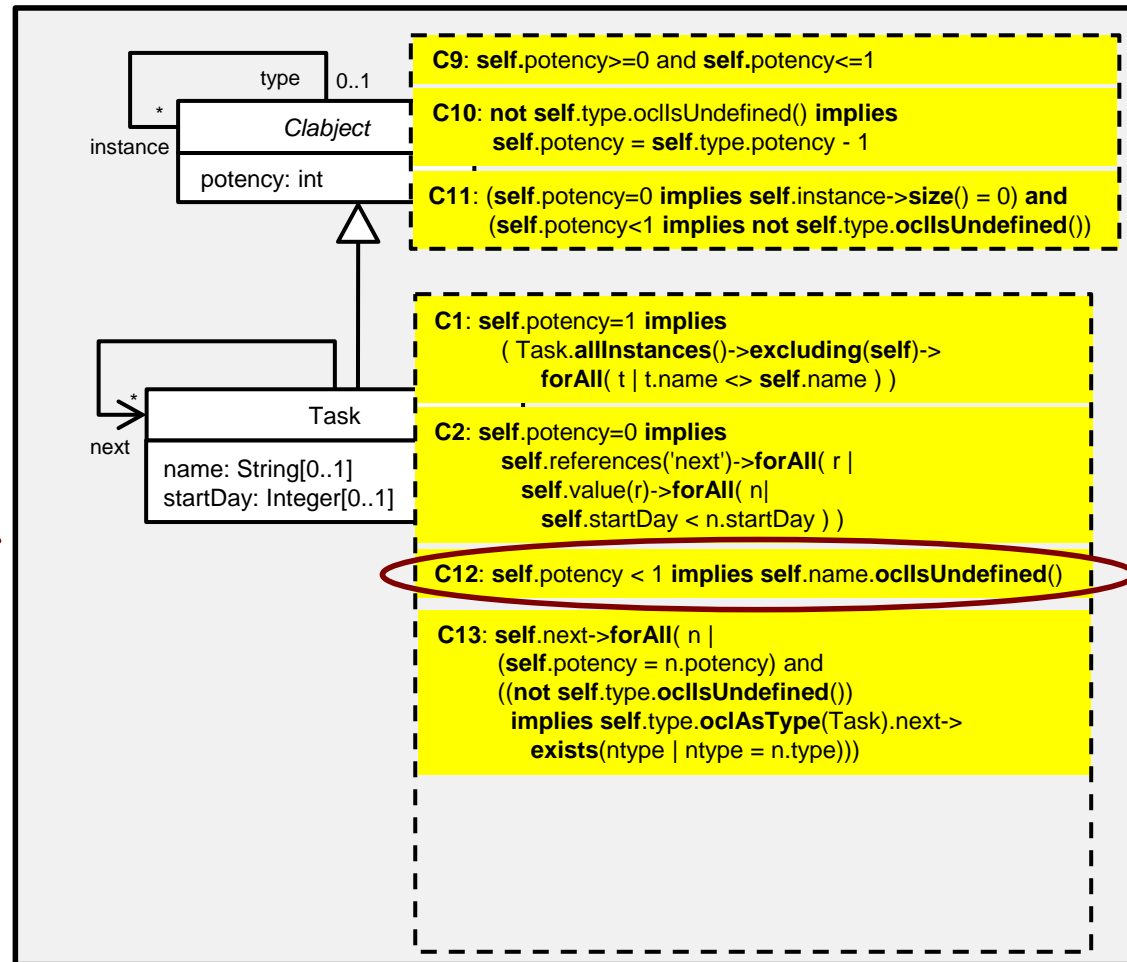
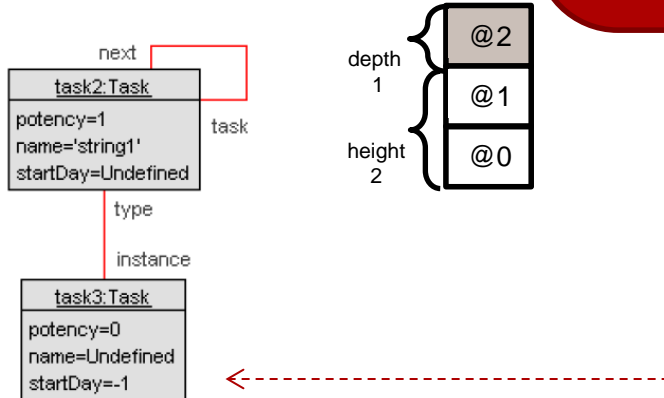
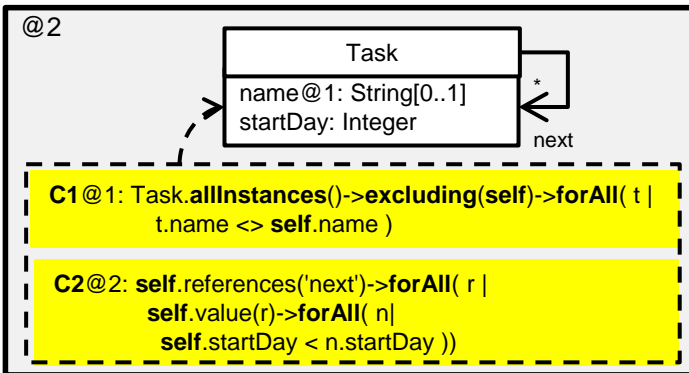
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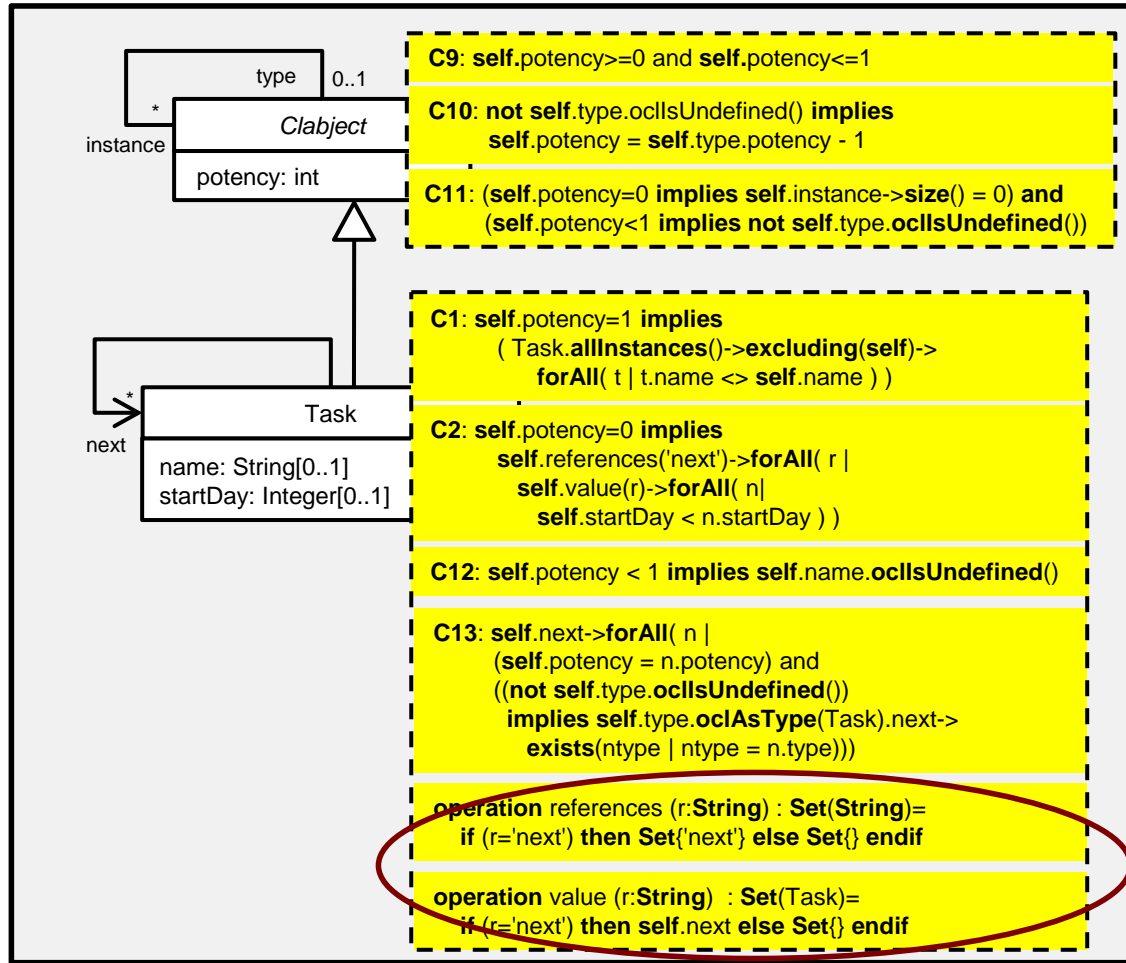
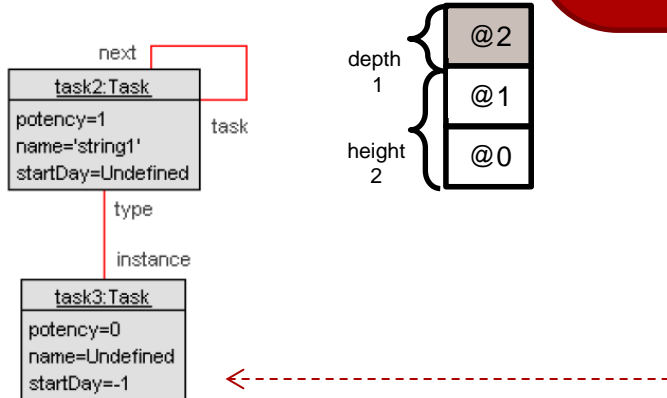
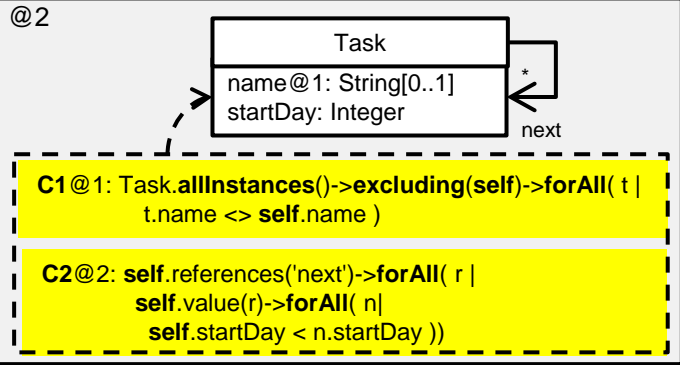
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SUMMARY

- Analysis of integrity constraints in multi-level models
 - flattening of multi-model according to analysis scenario
 - use of standard model finders to check satisfiability

FUTURE WORK

- Analysis of other correctness properties
- Tighter integration of MetaDepth and USE Validator
 - translate USE results back to MetaDepth
 - commands to e.g. complete a model
 - ...

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