Decidability border for Petri nets with data: WQO Dichotomy Conjecture

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homogeneous data domains

homogeneous structure A	amalgamation class
equality data (\mathbb{N} , =)	finite pure sets
total order data (Q, <)	finite total orders
- dense-time data (ℚ, <, +1)	
discrete-time data (ℤ, <, +1)	
universal (random) graph	finite graphs
universal equivalence relation	finite equivalence relations
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Proof:

Using the framework of WSTS of [Finkel, Schnoebelen'01].

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