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Runtime Prediction of Privacy Violations in Business Processes

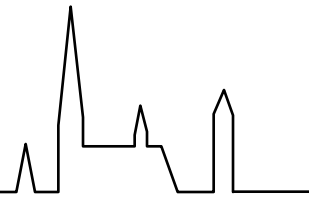
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Obligations for Privacy



- **Data usage rules**

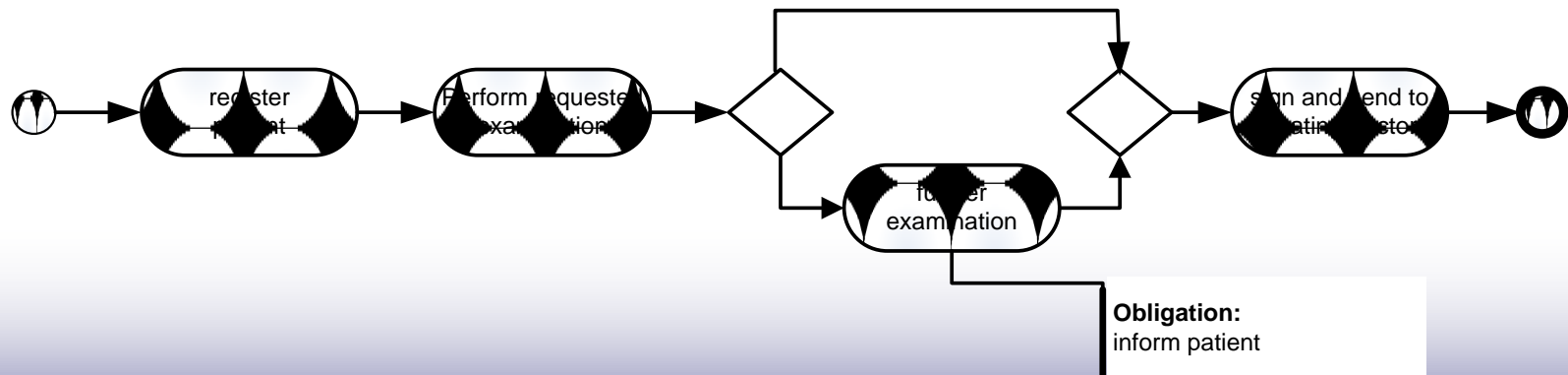
- Prescribe usage of data **after** release
- Examples
 - „delete data after 30 days“
 - „inform data owner about data usage“



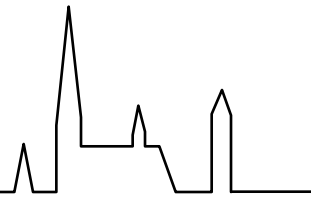
Obligations:
actions a subject must perform

- **Obligations**

- common in legal frameworks (up to 70%)
- enforcement „by design“

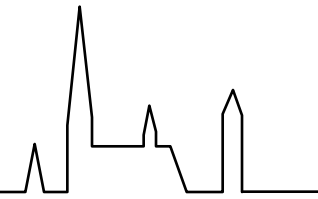


Need for adaptive Processes

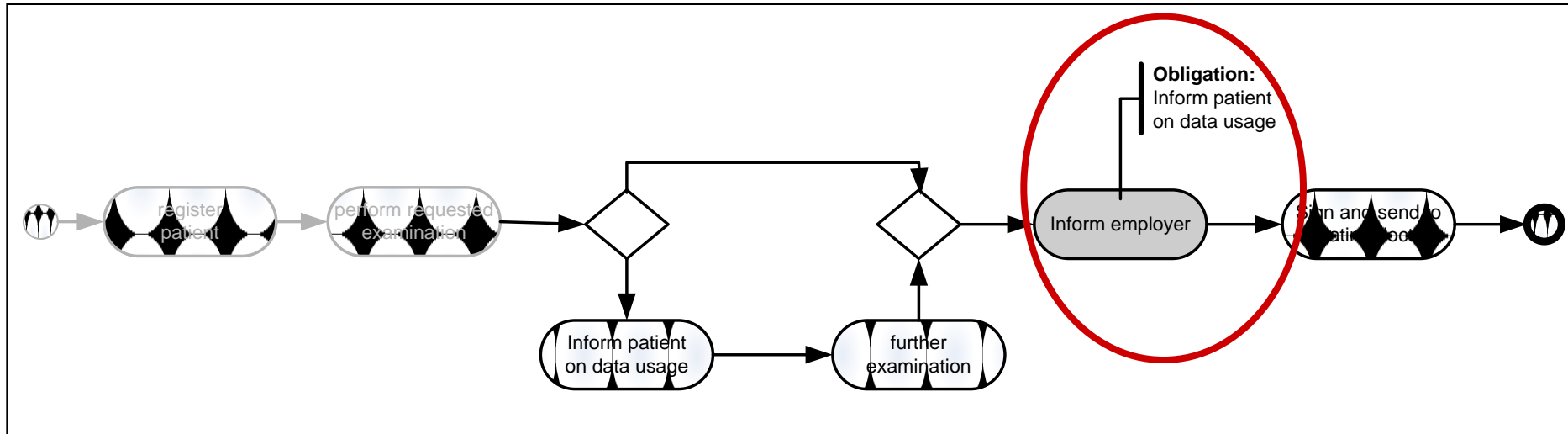


- **Need for adaptive processes**
 - Changes at runtime *to a single instance* to changed situations
 - Ability to insert or to delete steps in the workflow at runtime *to a single instance*
- **Assumption:**
 - Set of allowed changes for every workflow available
- **Consequence:**
 - Changed workflow may not be anymore compliant
- **Example**
 - Deletion of activity „inform patient“
 - Include activity „inform employer“

Non-compliance due to changes



In case change is accepted:



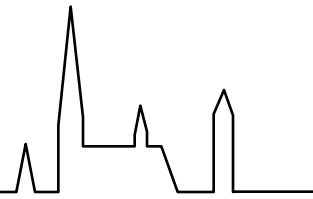
Situation:

- 1 compliant continuation $\{(informP),(furtherEx),(informE), (sign&send)\}$
- 1 non-compliant continuation $\{(informE),(sign&send)\}$

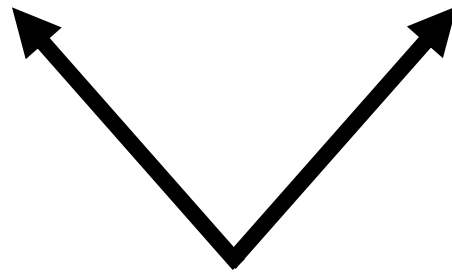
Remedy:

- include activity „inform patient“ in upper branch
- move activity „inform patient“

Compliance in adapted processes



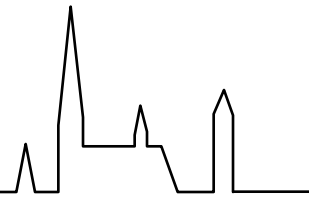
Problem: Compliance ↔ Adaptive processes



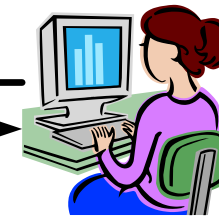
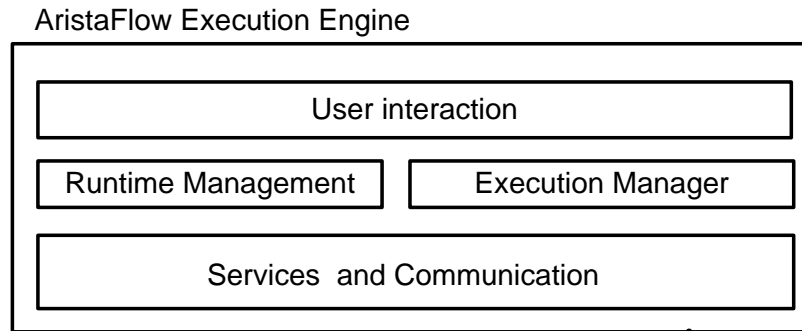
Approach: Violation Anticipation Monitor (VAM)

1. Evaluates change request wrt obligations
 - Detect the existence of non-compliant execution continuations
 - computes if remedy is possible
 - experience based evaluation of the continuations
2. Denies/ grants change request
 - automatically
 - delegates decision to the user

Runtime Monitoring of Change Requests



syntactic checks



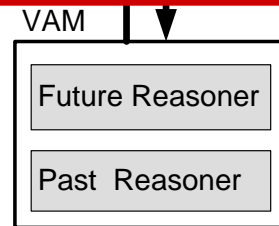
Request

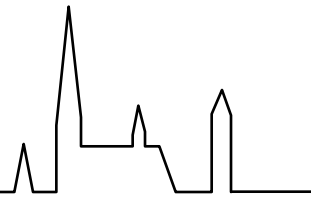
evaluation wrt obligations



- FALSE
- PRESUMABLY FALSE
- PRESUMABLY TRUE
- TRUE

deny
delegate to user
accept





Future Reasoner

Predicting violations based on the process continuations

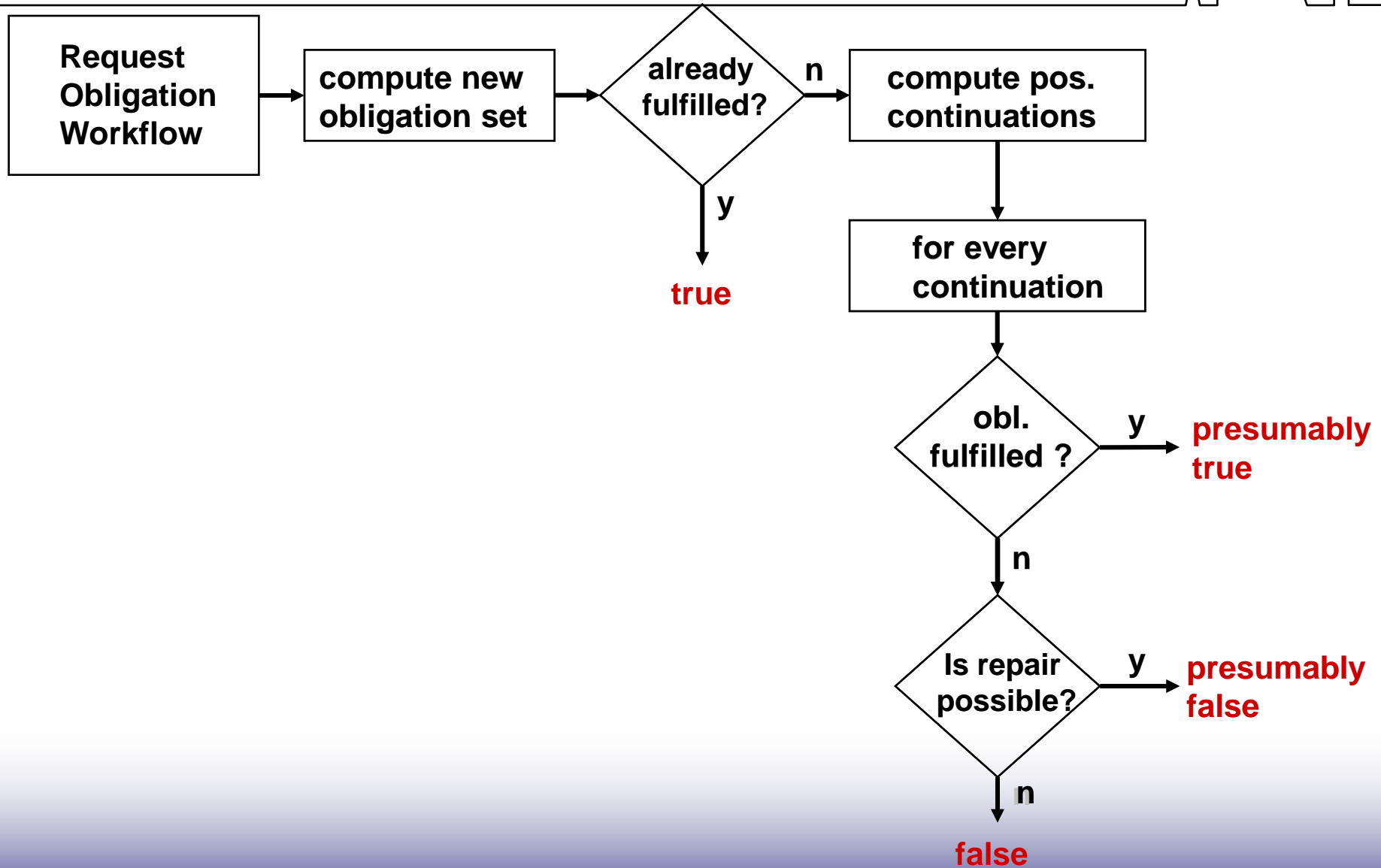
- evaluates the possible process continuations regarding the obligation
- computes remedies

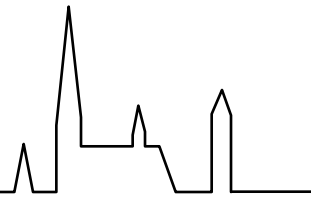
Past Reasoner

Predicting the continuation based on past executions of the workflow

- based on a log data base
- computes the probability for each continuation

Future Reasoner



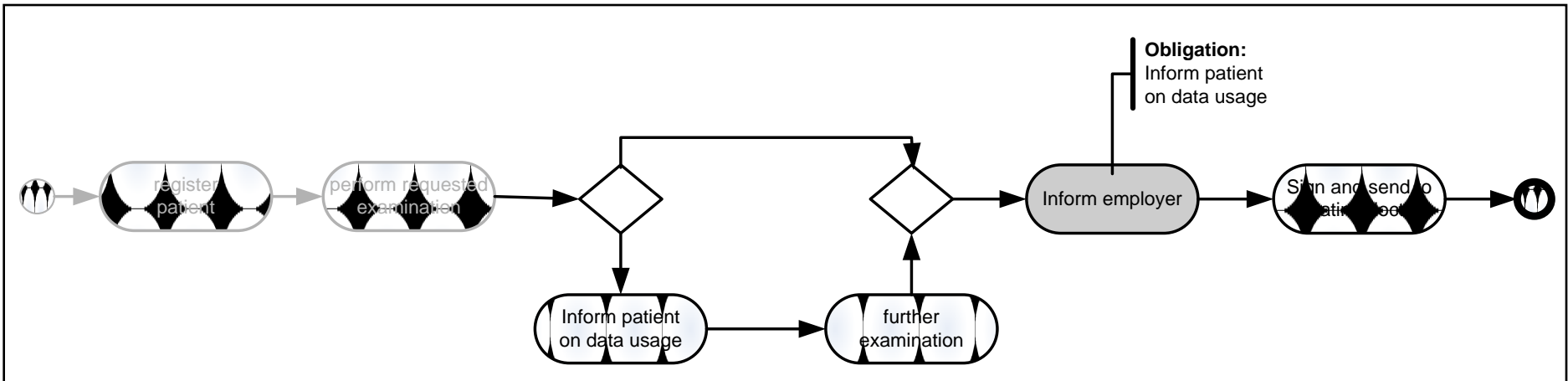
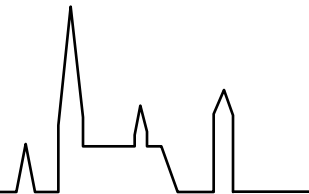


Status of obligation for a single continuation

Values:

- **false:**
the continuation violates the obligation, and no repair is possible
- **presumably false:**
the continuation violates the obligation, but repair to the continuation is possible
- **presumably true:**
the continuation fulfills the obligation, if execute as it is
- **true:**
the obligation is already fulfilled (or there is none)

Future Reasoner - Output

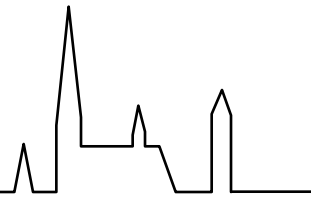


Situation:

- 1 compliant continuation {(informP),(furtherEx),(informE), (sign&send)} **pt**
- 1 non-compliant continuation but repair is possible {(informE),(sign&send)} **pf**

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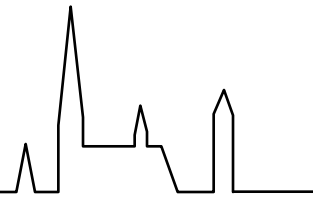
Continuation	Verdict _{FR}
(informP), (furtherEx), (informE), (sign&send)	pt
(informE), (sign&send)	pf



Log data base of former executions of the workflow

Partial trace	Continuation
...	...
(register, requestedEx)	(informP, furtherEx, informE, sign&send)
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...	...

Current implementation:
Number of executions per continuation



Future Reasoner

Predicting violations based on the process continuations

- evaluates the possible process continuations regarding the obligation
- computes remedies
- **Output:** preliminary verdict for each continuation

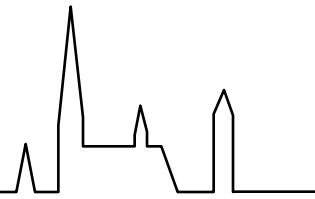
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Past Reasoner

Predicting the continuation based on past executions of the workflow

- based on a log data base
- computes the probability for each continuation
- **Output:** probability of each continuation

Continuation	Prob _{PR}
(informP), (furtherEx), (informE), (sign&send)	0.75
(informE), (sign&send)	0.25

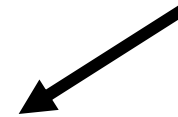


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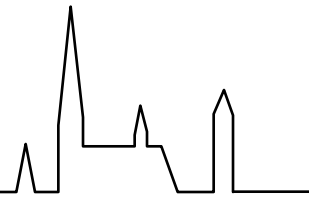


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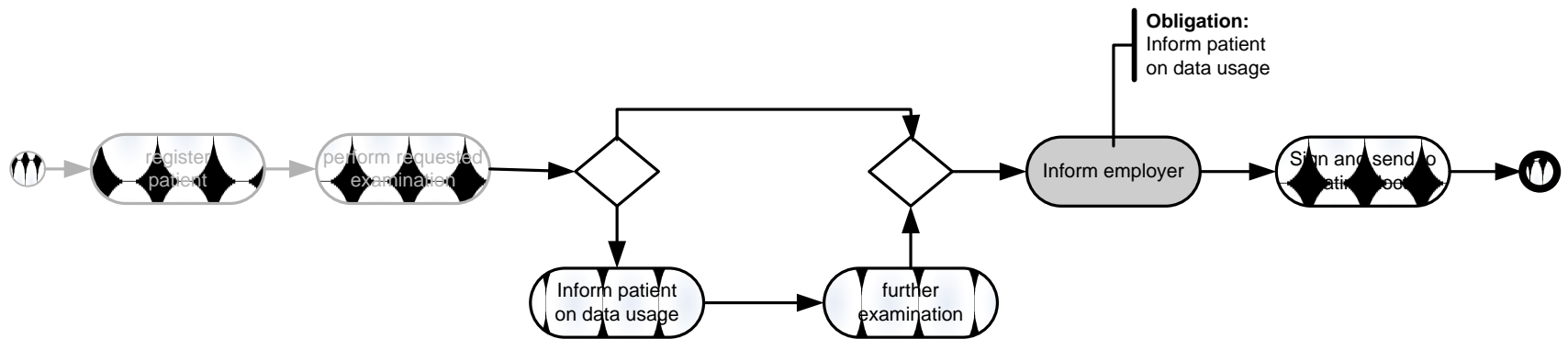


PRESUMABLY TRUE

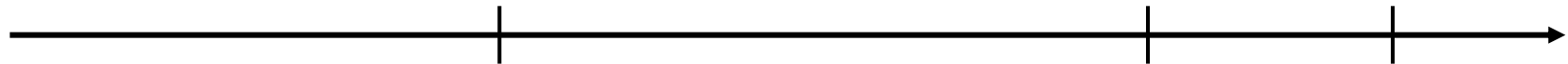
Surveillance *after* change



Status of obligation may change during execution



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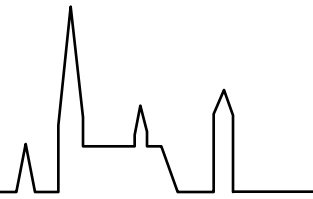


Presumably true

Presumably false

False

Summary and Next Steps



Summary

- **Need for adaptive processes *and* compliance**
- **Approach:**
Monitoring change requests to anticipate possible violations → **VAM**
- **Result of the VAM:**
 - FALSE → reject request
 - PRESUMABLY FALSE → inform user
 - PRESUMABLY TRUE } → accept request
 - TRUE }

Next steps

- Implementation of the VAM
- Proof of concept evaluation
- Base Past Reasoner on Bays Nets
- Include surveillance after changes

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Thank you for your attention

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