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Vérification et validation, analyse formelle

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- **Control** is more important than **data**
- Systems are usually composed of several parts

Three Steps of Model Checking

1 Construct system model

- describe each system component (e.g., process) by a **(finite) automaton**
- languages: TLA⁺ / PlusCal, Promela, Petri nets, process algebra, ...
- possibly: automatic extraction from source code

2 Specification of expected properties by **temporal logic** (here: LTL). Examples:

- mutual exclusion $\square \neg (pc[0] = \text{"cs"} \wedge pc[1] = \text{"cs"})$
- guaranteed response $(pc[0] = \text{"a2"}) \rightsquigarrow (pc[0] = \text{"cs"})$

3 Verification

- **"push-button"**: automatic verification by model checker
- failure: examine counter-example to determine why property fails
- success: property holds for the model
- memory overflow / timeout: simplify the model

And again, simply, generally and abstractly . . .

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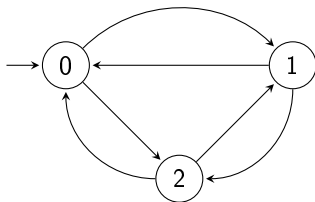
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General Framework for Modelling Discrete Systems

- **Transition system** \approx automaton, without acceptance condition

- example: counter modulo 3



- Generator of runs
 - **run**: infinite sequence of states and transitions
 - system properties are evaluated over runs
 - flat model: internal structure of states is not represented
abstract from variables, processes, communication (**input/output**), ...
 - observe only which state the system is currently in

Transition systems: definition

- Abstract model of reactive systems $\mathcal{T} = (Q, I, \delta)$
 - Q **finite** set of states
 - $I \subseteq Q$ initial states
 - $\delta \subseteq Q \times Q$ (total) transition relation:
for all $q \in Q$ there exists $q' \in Q$ s.t. $(q, q') \in \delta$

- In practice: \mathcal{T} (i.e., Q and δ) described implicitly
 - TLA⁺/Promela: state = assignment of values to state variables
 - Petri nets: state = marking of places in the net

- Size of Q is in general exponential in size of the description of \mathcal{T}

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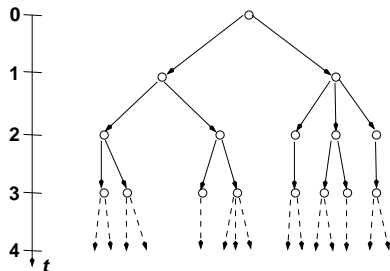


- Variant: **labelled** transitions $\delta \subseteq Q \times \mathcal{A} \times Q$
 - explicitly identify actions responsible for transitions
 - distinguish internal and communication transitions
 - timed systems, probabilistic systems, ... (more later)

Runs of Transition Systems

- **Run** $\rho = q_0 q_1 \dots$ of $\mathcal{T} = (Q, I, \delta)$
 - $q_0 \in I$ initial state
 - $(q_i, q_{i+1}) \in \delta$ state succession
 - labelled transitions: $\rho = q_0 \xrightarrow{a_0} q_1 \xrightarrow{a_1} q_2 \dots$

- **Unfolding**: tree (or forest) representing all runs of \mathcal{T}



nodes

edges

paths

branching

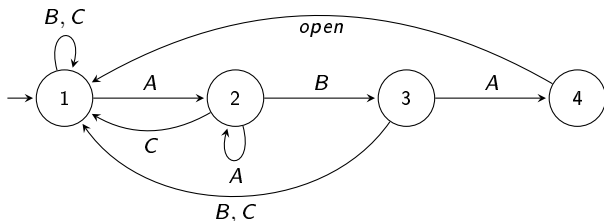
states of \mathcal{T}

transitions

runs

non-determinism

Example: Digicode as Labelled Transition System



- Door opens in state 4 and is closed otherwise
- The door opens for any code ending in ABA
- Runs of this transition system
 - sequence of states (and actions) describing system evolution
 - $1 \xrightarrow{B} 1 \xrightarrow{A} 2 \xrightarrow{A} 2 \xrightarrow{C} 1 \dots$
 - $1 \xrightarrow{A} 2 \xrightarrow{B} 3 \xrightarrow{C} 1 \xrightarrow{C} 1 \xrightarrow{A} 2 \xrightarrow{B} 3 \xrightarrow{A} 4 \xrightarrow{\text{open}} 1 \dots$

Exercise 1

Give another run of this system.

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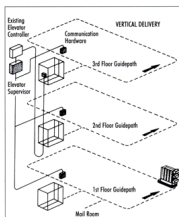
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One of them is **composition**.

- Systems are usually built from components
 - parallel programs built from processes
 - hardware built from interacting circuits
 - networked systems built from communicating nodes

Example: an elevator is made of a cabin, doors and a controller.



Composition of Transition Systems (2)

- Assemble overall transition system
 - represent each component by separate transition system
 - derive global transition system from component systems
 - different system paradigms reflected by synchronization schemes; here we consider **synchronous** composition

- Interest for model checking
 - need not explicitly store global transition system
 - component systems can be much smaller than global system
 - can sometimes benefit from symmetries to reduce state space

Synchronizing (Handshake) Composition

- Synchronization via shared actions

- assume labelled transition systems $\mathcal{T}_i = (Q_i, \mathcal{A}_i, l_i, \delta_i)$ ($i = 1, 2$)
- synchronized product $\mathcal{T} = (Q_1 \times Q_2, \mathcal{A}_1 \cup \mathcal{A}_2, l_1 \times l_2, \delta)$

$$((q_1, q_2), a, (q'_1, q'_2)) \in \delta \quad \text{iff}$$

$$a \in \mathcal{A}_1 \setminus \mathcal{A}_2 \quad \text{and} \quad (q_1, a, q'_1) \in \delta_1 \quad \text{and} \quad q'_2 = q_2 \quad \text{or}$$

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- joint actions must be executed together, local actions interleave

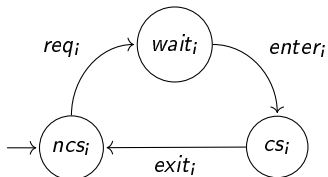
- Generalizations beyond 2 components

- multi-party synchronization: actions shared by several components
- synchronization of two components, the others stutter

Example: Mutual Exclusion by Joint Actions

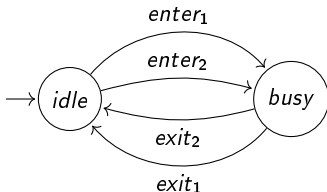
Two processes and a controller

Process P_i ($i = 1, 2$)



$$\mathcal{A}_{P_i} = \{req_i, enter_i, exit_i\}$$

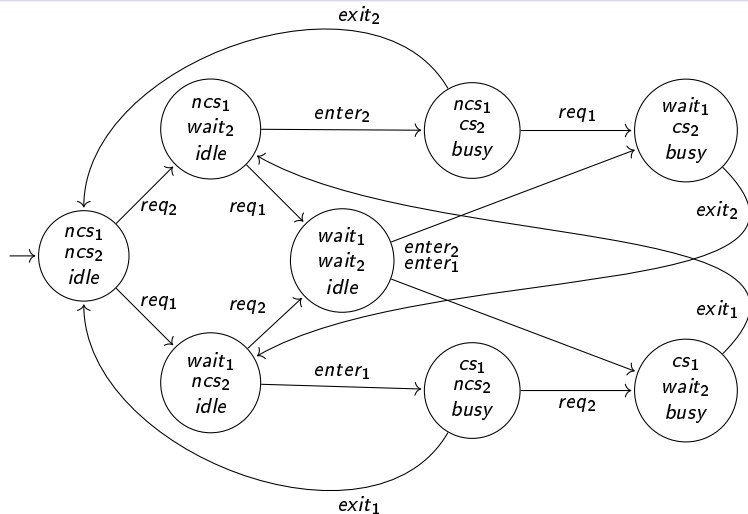
Controller C



$$\mathcal{A}_C = \{enter_1, enter_2, exit_1, exit_2\}$$

- req_i : local to process P_i
- $enter_i, exit_i$: shared between process P_i and controller

Synchronized Product (reachable states)



Exercise 2

How many unreachable states are there?

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- Now that we know that this can be done, we want to get back to an abstract, theoretical view and hence the initial simple formalism ...

Kripke Structures

- Add (Boolean) “observations” to the states of a transition system
- Transition system + propositions $\mathcal{K} = (Q, I, \delta, \mathcal{V}, \lambda)$
 - \mathcal{V} set of elementary (“atomic”) propositions
 - $\lambda : Q \rightarrow 2^{\mathcal{V}}$ $\lambda(q)$ indicates which propositions are true at q
- Atomic propositions
 - “building blocks” for expressing system properties
 - evaluated at states: v is true at q if $v \in \lambda(q)$, false otherwise
 - examples:
 - the door protected by the digicode is open
 - the counter value is at least 3
 - process 0 is at the critical section

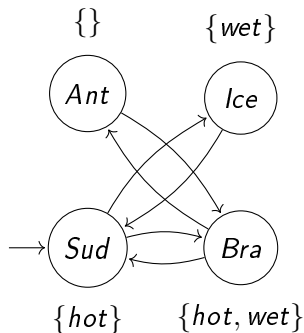
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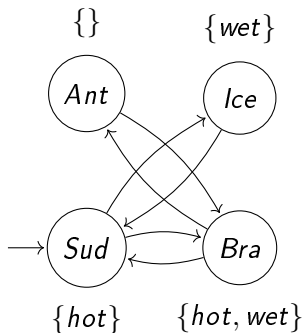
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Every run $q_0q_1\dots$ corresponds to an ω -word $\lambda(q_0)\lambda(q_1)\dots$ over the alphabet $2^{\mathcal{V}}$.

E.g. *Sud Bra Ant Bra Sud Ice*... corresponds to $\{hot\}\{hot, wet\}\{\}\{hot, wet\}\{hot\}\{wet\}\dots$

Exercise 3

Give another example.

Where Are We?

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We have looked at the first point.

We will now look at logic: first, a revision section; then, a section on **LTL**.

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- 4 *Conjonction ("et"):* Si $A \in FORM$ et $B \in FORM$, alors $(A \wedge B) \in FORM$
- 5 *Disjonction ("ou"):* Si $A \in FORM$ et $B \in FORM$, alors $(A \vee B) \in FORM$
- 6 *Implication ("si ... alors"):* Si $A \in FORM$ et $B \in FORM$, alors $(A \longrightarrow B) \in FORM$

(A et B représentent des formules, c.-à-d., A et B sont des *métavariabes*).

Conventions syntaxiques (1)

On peut omettre des parenthèses selon les conventions suivantes:

- *Priorité*: La priorité décroissante des opérateurs est $\neg, \wedge, \vee, \longrightarrow$.

Exemples:

- $(A \wedge B \vee C)$ est $((A \wedge B) \vee C)$
- $(\neg A \vee B)$ est $((\neg A) \vee B)$
- $(A \wedge B \longrightarrow A \vee B)$ est $((A \wedge B) \longrightarrow (A \vee B))$
- *Associativité*: Les opérateurs binaires associent à droite:
 - $A \wedge B \wedge C$ correspond à $(A \wedge (B \wedge C))$
 - $A \longrightarrow B \longrightarrow C$ correspond à $(A \longrightarrow (B \longrightarrow C))$

Attention: $(A \longrightarrow (B \longrightarrow C))$ et $((A \longrightarrow B) \longrightarrow C)$ ont une sémantique (à voir ultérieurement) différente!

- Enfin, on omet les parenthèses tout autour de la formule (lorsqu'elle n'est pas une variable ou \perp).

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Aussi, le connecteur \neg est parfois défini comme une abréviation: $\neg A$ défini par $A \longrightarrow \perp$.

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- *Formellement* : une valuation est une fonction $v : PROP \Rightarrow \{0, 1\}$
- Arbitrairement on pose : $v(p) = 0$: " p faux"; $v(p) = 1$: " p vrai".

Modèle

Chaque valuation peut être étendue de *PROP* à *FORM* de la manière suivante:

- 1 (Variable): $I_v(p) = v(p)$
- 2 (Constante): $I_v(\perp) = 0$
- 3 (Négation): $I_v(\neg A) = 1 - I_v(A)$
- 4 (Conjonction): $I_v(A \wedge B) = \min(I_v(A), I_v(B))$
- 5 (Disjonction): $I_v(A \vee B) = \max(I_v(A), I_v(B))$
- 6 (Implication): $I_v(A \longrightarrow B) = \max(1 - I_v(A), I_v(B))$

On parle alors d'un *modèle* (interprétation).

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Modèles et tables de vérité

Table de vérité (TdV) des connecteurs :

A	B	$A \wedge B$	$A \vee B$	$A \longrightarrow B$	$A \leftrightarrow B$	$A \oplus B$
0	0	0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	0	0	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	0

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La table de vérité à 2^n lignes et recense toutes les valuations (et donc : modèles) possibles pour n variables propositionnelles.

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Exemple: valuation v avec: $v(p) = 1, v(q) = 0, v(r) = 0$

$$l_v((p \wedge q) \vee (\neg r)) = \max(l_v(p \wedge q), l_v(\neg r)) =$$

$$\max(\min(l_v(p), l_v(q)), 1 - l_v(r)) = \max(\min(1, 0), 1 - 0) = \max(0, 1) = 1$$

Modèles et tables de vérité

Considérons un sommaire de 3 tables de vérités :

p	q	r	$p \wedge q \longrightarrow q \vee r$	$p \vee q \longrightarrow \neg p \wedge \neg q$	$(p \wedge q) \vee (\neg r)$
0	0	0	1	1	1
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1	0	0	1	0	1
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La première colonne présente un cas particulièrement intéressant : pour toute valuation v , on a $I_v(A) = 1$ (que des 1 dans sa TdV). Une telle formule est dite *valide* (une *tautologie*).

Exercices

Exercise 4

Déterminez si ces formules sont valides à leurs tables de vérité :

- 1 $(p \wedge q) \longrightarrow p$
- 2 $(p \longrightarrow r) \longrightarrow (p \vee q \longrightarrow r)$
- 3 $(p \wedge (q \longrightarrow r)) \longrightarrow ((\neg p \vee q) \longrightarrow (p \wedge r))$

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Nous verrons plus tard des définitions alternatives de \models qui sont techniquement différentes, mais parfaitement cohérentes avec celle-ci. Moralement, l'idée est toujours la suivante :

- À gauche du \models , on fixe un cadre/monde/(ensemble de) modèle(s).
- La formule à droite du \models est vraie dans ce monde (...).

En particulier, dans la logique propositionnelle, le monde ne bouge pas. Plus tard, on va l'enrichir pour parler de ce qui est vrai maintenant, demain, ...

Conséquence (2)

p	q	r	$p \wedge q$	$\neg r$	$(p \wedge q) \vee (\neg r)$
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Ici, on peut observer que $p, \neg r \models (p \wedge q) \vee (\neg r)$: chaque fois que *toutes* les hypothèses sont vérifiées, la conclusion l'est aussi.

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Exercise 5

Vrai ou faux?

- $\{p, q\} \models p \vee q$
- $\{p, q\} \models p \wedge q$
- $\{p, q\} \models p \longrightarrow q$
- $\{p \longrightarrow q, q\} \models p$
- $\{p \longrightarrow q, p\} \models q$
- $\{p \longrightarrow q, \neg q\} \models \neg p$

Logique des prédicats : Termes

Termes: Soit

- VAR un ensemble de variables d'individus
- Pour quelque(s) $n \in \mathbb{N}$, FON_n un ensemble des fonctions n -aires

L'ensemble $TERM$ des termes est défini comme le plus petit ensemble qui satisfait:

- 1 *Variable*: si $x \in VAR$, alors $x \in TERM$
- 2 *Application de fonction*: si $t_1 \in TERM, \dots, t_n \in TERM$ et $f \in FON_n$, alors $f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \in TERM$

On appelle des éléments de FON_0 des *constantes*.

Souvent, on écrit c au lieu de $c()$.

Exemples: Soient $f \in FON_2$, $x, y \in VAR$, $g \in FON_1$, $\pi \in FON_0$

- $f(x, \pi) \in TERM$
- $f(x, g(f(y, \pi))) \in TERM$

Logique des prédicats : Formules

Formules: Soit $PRED_n$ un ensemble des prédicats n -aires

L'ensemble $FORM$ des formules est défini comme le plus petit ensemble qui satisfait:

- 1 *Application de prédicat:* si $t_1 \in TERM, \dots, t_n \in TERM$ et $P \in PRED_n$, alors $P(t_1, \dots, t_n) \in FORM$
- 2 *Constante "faux":* $\perp \in FORM$
- 3 *Négation:* Si $A \in FORM$, alors $(\neg A) \in FORM$
- 4 *Connecteurs binaires:* Si $A \in FORM$ et $B \in FORM$, alors $(A \wedge B) \in FORM, (A \vee B) \in FORM, (A \longrightarrow B) \in FORM$
- 5 *Quantificateur universel ("pour tout"):* Si $A \in FORM$ et $x \in VAR$, alors $(\forall x.A) \in FORM$
- 6 *Quantificateur existentiel ("il existe"):* Si $A \in FORM$ et $x \in VAR$, alors $(\exists x.A) \in FORM$

À noter: $FORM$ dépend de $TERM$, mais pas inversement.

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- Vrai ou faux ?

$$\begin{array}{lll} 1 + 1 = 2 & \exists x.2 \cdot x = 4 & \forall x.\exists y.y > x \\ 1 + 1 = 3 & \exists x.2 \cdot x = 3 & 2 \in \{1, 4\} \end{array}$$

Where Are We?

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We have revised some notions of logic in general. Now, we will look at **LTL**, the logic of interest for model checking.

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Formal Description of Properties

- Need a language for expressing properties of systems
 - system under verification represented as a transition system
 - properties of systems should be expressed unambiguously
- Natural language is ambiguous

Example

“Every student takes a computer science lecture.”

- There is a CS lecture taken by all students.
- For every student s there is a CS lecture that s takes.

No obvious interpretation a priori!

- Mathematical logic allows formalizing such statements

Temporal Properties

- Wish to express properties of system executions
 - After the emergency brake is pulled, the train will stop.
 - After subscribing to a phone service, users may receive calls.
 - When the window is broken, an alarm will sound until it is switched off.
 - The lift does not move unless somebody previously requested it.

- Properties on succession of states / events
 - something holds { before / after / between } some other event(s)
 - no references to absolute time (for the moment)

Temporal Properties in First-Order Logic

- Add explicit time parameter
 - propositions can be true or false at different time points t
 - relate different time points (e.g., $t + 1$, $t' \geq t$, ...)

- Example

- After the emergency brake is pulled, the train will stop.

$$\forall t : Brake(t) \longrightarrow \exists t' : t' \geq t \wedge Stop(t')$$

- When the window is broken, an alarm will sound until it is switched off.

$$\forall t : Break(t) \longrightarrow \exists t' \geq t : Off(t') \wedge \forall t'' : t \leq t'' < t' \longrightarrow Alarm(t'')$$

- Possible, but somewhat clumsy

- especially for properties that contain several temporal references
- moreover, reasoning in first-order logic is undecidable in general

... temporal logics used in verification tend to be decidable

Temporal Properties in First-Order Logic (2)

- The train passes through stations A, then B, then C

$$\exists t, t', t'' : t < t' \wedge t' < t'' \wedge AtA(t) \wedge AtB(t') \wedge AtC(t'')$$

- When the window is broken, the alarm sounds until switched off

$$\forall t : Break(t) \longrightarrow \exists t' : t' > t \wedge Off(t') \wedge \\ \forall t'' : t \leq t'' \wedge t'' < t' \longrightarrow Alarm(t'')$$

- The lift does not move unless there was a previous request

$$\forall t : Move(t) \longrightarrow \exists t' : t' \leq t \wedge Request(t')$$

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- the formula says that a call *will* be received!
- expressing the original property requires quantifying over runs, not just over time points (“branching time”)

Do we Need First-order Logic?

- In the previous examples, the power of first-order logic (having predicates with arguments and quantifiers) is only needed to deal with time. Apart from that, propositional logic would be enough.
- Rather than having a model like in propositional logic, we will now see a **sequence** of models, to capture the change of truth over time.
- We will enrich propositional logic with operators that talk about time.

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In the context of **systems that evolve over time**, we could have:

- A sequence of sets of atomic propositions, e.g.

$$\{\text{hot}\}\{\}\{\text{hot, wet}\} \dots \models$$

- The states of a Kripke structure that have these sets associated:

$$\text{Sud Ant Bra} \dots \models$$

- The Kripke structure itself:

$$\mathcal{K} \models$$

Linear-Time Temporal Logic: Informally (1)

- Eliminate explicit time parameter
 - formulas are evaluated over infinite state sequences σ
 - they can be true or false at different time points
 - atomic formulas: elementary properties evaluated at states
 - $\sigma \models \textit{Break}$ proposition *Break* is true at initial state of σ
 - if $\sigma = q_0 q_1 \dots$ is a run of a Kripke structure $\mathcal{K} = (Q, I, \delta, \mathcal{V}, \lambda)$:
 - $\sigma \models v$ determined by $\lambda(q_0)$, for $v \in \mathcal{V}$

- Standard Boolean connectives $\wedge, \vee, \neg, \longrightarrow, \leftrightarrow$
 - applied to arbitrary formulas, with standard interpretation
 - $\sigma \models \textit{Alarm} \wedge \neg \textit{Off}$ *Alarm* true, but *Off* false at initial state

Linear-Time Temporal Logic: Informally (2)

- Temporal connectives for temporal references

- change “point of evaluation” of (sub-)formulas
- always** φ φ true at all suffixes
- eventually** φ φ true at some suffix
- next** φ φ true at immediate suffix
- φ until ψ** φ remains true until ψ becomes true

G φ ($\Box\varphi$)

F φ ($\Diamond\varphi$)

X φ ($\circ\varphi$)

φ **U** ψ

- Examples

- G**(*Brake* \longrightarrow **F** *Stop*)
- G**(*Break* \longrightarrow (*Alarm* **U** *Off*))

Formal Syntax of LTL

- LTL: compact syntax for properties of runs
 - formulas evaluated over infinite state sequences
 - **system satisfies φ if φ holds of every run**
- Inductive definition of LTL formulas

$\varphi ::=$	$v \in \mathcal{V}$	atomic formulas
	$\neg\varphi, \varphi \vee \psi$	Boolean connectives
	$\mathbf{X}\varphi$	next state ($\circ\varphi$)
	$\varphi \mathbf{U} \psi$	until (ω until ψ)

Exercise 6

How is this notation called?

- Abbreviations
 - $\wedge, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow, \text{true}, \text{false}$ as in propositional logic
 - $\mathbf{F}\varphi \equiv \text{true} \mathbf{U} \varphi$ eventually φ (finally, $\diamond\varphi$)
 - $\mathbf{G}\varphi \equiv \neg\mathbf{F}\neg\varphi$ always φ (globally, $\square\varphi$)

Formal Semantics of LTL

- Formulas φ evaluated over infinite sequences of states
 - atomic formulas interpreted by labelling $\lambda : Q \rightarrow 2^V$
 - notations: for $\sigma = q_0q_1\dots$, we denote by $\sigma[n..]$ the suffix $q_nq_{n+1}\dots$

- Inductive definition of $\sigma \models \varphi$

$$\sigma \models v \quad \text{iff} \quad v \in \lambda(\sigma_0)$$

$$\sigma \models \neg\varphi \quad \text{iff} \quad \sigma \not\models \varphi$$

$$\sigma \models \varphi \vee \psi \quad \text{iff} \quad \sigma \models \varphi \text{ or } \sigma \models \psi$$

$$\sigma \models \mathbf{X}\varphi \quad \text{iff} \quad \sigma[1..] \models \varphi$$

$$\sigma \models \varphi \mathbf{U} \psi \quad \text{iff} \quad \text{there is } k \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } \sigma[k..] \models \psi \\ \text{and } \sigma[i..] \models \varphi \text{ for all } 0 \leq i < k$$

- Semantics of derived temporal connectives

$$\bullet \sigma \models \mathbf{F}\varphi \quad \text{iff} \quad \sigma[k..] \models \varphi \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{N}$$

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Example: Interpretation of LTL Formulas

Exercise 7

Which of the following formulas are true? (true = 1, false = 0)

<i>hot</i>	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	...	(always 1)
<i>wet</i>	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	...	(always 0)
State:	Ice	Ice	Sud	Sud	Ant	Sud	Bra	Ice	Sud	...	(always Sud)

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Example 2: Interpretation of LTL Formulas

Exercise 8

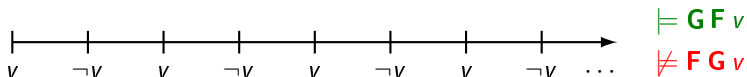
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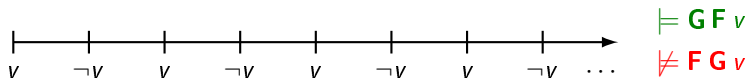
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- Combinations
 - $\mathbf{G}(req \rightarrow \mathbf{F} get)$ every request will be satisfied
 - $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{G} req \rightarrow \mathbf{F} get)$ every persistent request will be satisfied
 - $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{GF} req \rightarrow \mathbf{F} get)$ every repeated request will be satisfied

Quelques lois de LTL

- Commutativité de **X** avec tous les opérateurs

$$\mathbf{X} \neg A \equiv \neg \mathbf{X} A$$

$$\mathbf{X}(A \rightarrow B) \equiv (\mathbf{X} A \rightarrow \mathbf{X} B)$$

$$\mathbf{X} \mathbf{F} A \equiv \mathbf{F} \mathbf{X} A$$

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- Monotonie

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- Distributivité

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- Lois récursives

$$\mathbf{G} A \equiv A \wedge \mathbf{X} \mathbf{G} A$$

$$A \mathbf{U} B \equiv B \vee (A \wedge \mathbf{X}(A \mathbf{U} B))$$

$$\mathbf{F} A \equiv A \vee \mathbf{X} \mathbf{F} A$$

Exercice 9

Prouver quelques uns de ces lois.

Exercise: Properties of Binary Consensus

Consider a system of N processes P_1, \dots, P_N where the state of P_i is given by a Boolean variable v_i , indicating its *local value*, and d_i , indicating if P_i has *decided* (initially false). The *Consensus problem* consists in arriving at a state where every process has decided and where the local values of all processes are identical. This is expressed by the four following properties.

- 1 **Validity.** At any state, any value v_i must equal the initial value of some v_j (i.e., no values other than those initially present are introduced).
- 2 **Irrevocability.** Once P_i decides (i.e., sets its variable d_i to true), the variables v_i and d_i never change again.
- 3 **Agreement.** Any two processes P_i and P_j that have decided agree on the values of v_i and v_j .
- 4 **Termination.** Every process P_i decides eventually.

Exercise 10

Express these four properties by LTL formulas.

Typical Properties in LTL

Safety properties:

- **invariants**: $\mathbf{G} p$ where p is non-temporal

$\mathbf{G} \neg(\text{crit}_1 \wedge \text{crit}_2)$ mutual exclusion

$\mathbf{G}(\text{pre}_1 \vee \dots \vee \text{pre}_n)$ deadlock freedom

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Liveness properties:

- reply, recurrence $\mathbf{G}(p \longrightarrow \mathbf{F} q)$

$\mathbf{G}(\text{try}_1 \longrightarrow \mathbf{F} \text{crit}_1)$ guaranteed access to critical section

$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{F} \neg \text{crit}_1)$ finite stay in critical section

- reactivity $\mathbf{G} \mathbf{F} p \longrightarrow \mathbf{G} \mathbf{F} q$

$\mathbf{G} \mathbf{F}(\text{try}_1 \wedge \neg \text{crit}_2) \longrightarrow \mathbf{G} \mathbf{F} \text{crit}_1$ (strong) fairness

Typical Properties in LTL (2)

Weak fairness

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- $SF(A) \equiv \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{G} \mathbf{F} \text{ enabled}_A \longrightarrow \mathbf{F} \text{ taken}_A)$

Other:

- **precedence** $p_1 \mathbf{U} \dots \mathbf{U} p_n$

$\mathbf{G}(\text{try}_1 \wedge \text{try}_2 \longrightarrow \neg \text{crit}_2 \mathbf{U} \text{crit}_2 \mathbf{U} \neg \text{crit}_2 \mathbf{U} \text{crit}_1)$ 1-bounded overtaking

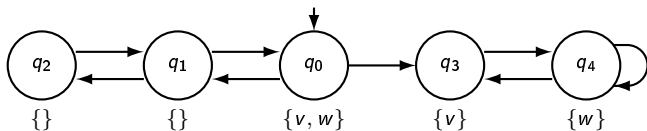
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Exercise: Consider the following Kripke structure \mathcal{K} .



Exercise 11

Determine if $\mathcal{K} \models \varphi_i$ holds for the following formulas φ_i . Briefly justify your answers.

$$\varphi_1 = \mathbf{G}(v \longrightarrow w \vee \mathbf{X} w)$$

$$\varphi_6 = \mathbf{GF} w$$

$$\varphi_2 = \neg w \longrightarrow (\neg w \mathbf{U} w)$$

$$\varphi_7 = \mathbf{GF} \neg v$$

$$\varphi_3 = \mathbf{G}(\neg w \longrightarrow (\neg w \mathbf{U} w))$$

$$\varphi_8 = \mathbf{GF} \neg w$$

$$\varphi_4 = \mathbf{GF} v$$

$$\varphi_9 = (\mathbf{GF} v) \longrightarrow (\mathbf{GF} w)$$

$$\varphi_5 = \mathbf{GF}(v \wedge w)$$

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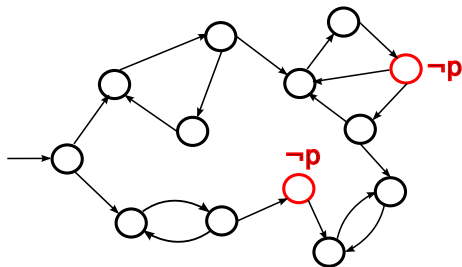
Example: Verifying a Persistence Property

Consider the problem of verifying $\mathcal{K} \models \mathbf{FG} v$.

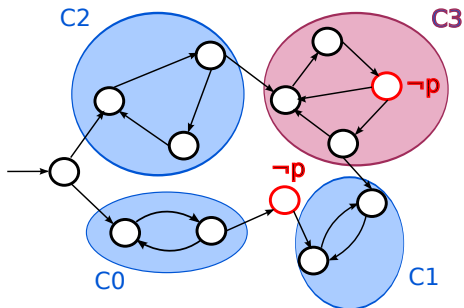
- The property is **violated** iff there exists a run $\sigma = q_0 q_1 \dots q_{i_0} \dots q_{i_1} \dots q_{i_2} \dots$ such that $v \notin \lambda(q_{i_j})$ for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$. Since \mathcal{K} is finite-state, we must have $q_{i_j} = q_{i_k}$ for some $k > j$.
- The prefix of σ given by $q_0 \Rightarrow^* q_{i_j} \Rightarrow^+ q_{i_k}$ is effectively a “lasso” through a state where v is false

To search for a lasso, we inspect graph G of reachable states of \mathcal{K} :

- compute strongly connected components of G (can be done by Tarjan’s algorithm: linear in size of G).
- for each component, check if it contains some q with $v \notin \lambda(q)$. If you find such a component, you have found a lasso. Hence $\mathcal{K} \not\models \mathbf{FG} v$.

Example: Verifying $\text{FG } p$ 

Example: Verifying $\mathbf{F G} p$



$\mathcal{K} \not\models \mathbf{F G} p$: component C3 contains state where p is false.

Exercise 12

Why is the occurrence of $\neg p$ in C3 decisive, why does the other occurrence not matter?

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- On suppose deux ensembles \mathcal{X}_r et \mathcal{X}_f de variables **rigides** et **flexibles**.

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- $\llbracket x' = x + 1 \wedge m = x' - x \rrbracket_{s,s'}^\xi = 1$ (formule est vraie),
- $\llbracket x = 5 \rrbracket_{s,s'}^\xi = 0$ (formule est fausse)
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Rajouter des '...

Pour un terme ou formule e sans variables libres dans \mathcal{X}'_f , notons e' le terme/la formule obtenu(e) en rajoutant un ' à toutes les occurrences libres des variables dans \mathcal{X}_f .

Exemples (toutes les variables sont flexibles) :

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$$\langle A \rangle_t \equiv \neg[\neg A]_t \quad [A]_t \equiv \neg\langle \neg A \rangle_t$$

Exercice 13

Prouvez ces équivalences.

ENABLED

Pour une formule d'action A , on définit

$$\text{ENABLED } A \equiv \exists v'_1, \dots, v'_n. A$$

où v'_1, \dots, v'_n sont toutes les variables libres avec ' qui apparaissent dans A .

Exercice 14

Est-ce que $\text{ENABLED } A$ est "juste" une formule d'action ?

Notez que $\llbracket \text{ENABLED } A \rrbracket_{s, _}^{\xi} = 1$ ssi il existe un état $s' : \mathcal{X}' \rightarrow |I|$ tel que $\llbracket A \rrbracket_{s, s'}^{\xi} = 1$.

Example

$\text{ENABLED } (x' = x + 1) \equiv \exists x'. x' = x + 1$. Cette formule est toujours vraie dans le domaine des entiers.

$\text{ENABLED } (x' = x + 1 \wedge x' = 5) \equiv \exists x'. x' = x + 1 \wedge x' = 5$. Cette formule est vraie ($\llbracket \exists x'. x' = x + 1 \wedge x' = 5 \rrbracket_{s, _}^{\xi} = 1$) ssi $s(x) = 4$.

$\text{ENABLED } (x' = x + 1 \wedge x' = 5 \wedge x = 3) \equiv \exists x'. x' = x + 1 \wedge x' = 5 \wedge x = 3$.

Cette formule est insatisfiable (toujours fausse).

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Maintenant, nous aurons à gauche une **séquence d'états** $\sigma = s_0 s_1 \dots$

Nous appellerons les formules temporelles simplement **formules**.

- Chaque formule d'état F est une formule.
 $\sigma, \xi \models F$ ssi $\llbracket F \rrbracket_{s_0, _}^{\xi} = 1$
- Pour une formule d'action A et un terme t , $\Box[A]_t$ ("always square A sub t ") est une formule.
 $\sigma, \xi \models \Box[A]_t$ ssi pour tout $n \in \mathbb{N}$, on a $\llbracket A \rrbracket_{s_n, s_{n+1}}^{\xi} = 1$ ou
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Notation (abréviations)

- $\diamond F$ (“eventually F ”, “finally F ”) est une abréviation de $\neg \square \neg F$.
- $\diamond \langle A \rangle_t$ est une abréviation de $\neg \square [\neg A]_t$
- $F \rightsquigarrow G$ (“ F leads to G ”) est une abréviation de $\square (F \longrightarrow \diamond G)$.

Notez que \square correspond au **G** de LTL, et \diamond correspond au **F** de LTL.

Fairness

- Une exécution est **faiblement fair** pour une action A si A a un nombre infini d'occurrences pourvu que A finit par être toujours activée (enabled).

Pour une action $\langle A \rangle_t$ (c'est-à-dire, une action A qui modifie t certainement) cela peut être écrit ainsi en TLA:

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TLA: Résumé

- TLA: la spécification de systèmes et les propriétés sont des formules.
- Formules d'action vs. formules temporelles.
- On peut définir la fairness.

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Real-time (timed) models

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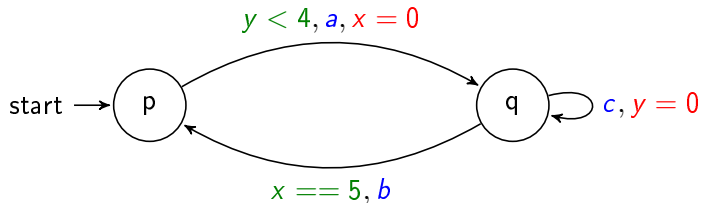
- **Temporal** models: we have a concept of time as a sequence of timepoints, i.e., the notion “X happens **before** Y”.
- **Timed** or **real-time** models: we have a quantitative concept of time, i.e., events happen “at a certain time”.

Here we consider **real-time** models exemplified by the formalism of **timed automata** presented in **Uppaal** style.

Exercise 15

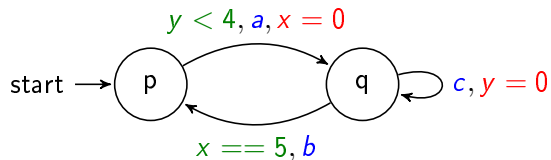
Where does the name “Uppaal” come from?

Example



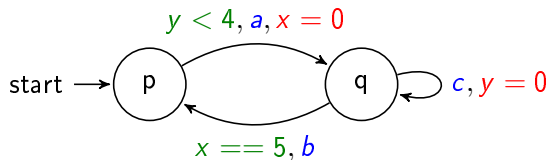
- locations (formerly: states): p, q.
- edges $p \rightarrow q$, $q \rightarrow q$, $q \rightarrow p$.
 - edge $p \rightarrow q$
 - guard: $y < 4$ action : a reset : $x = 0$
 - edge $q \rightarrow q$
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Note that the guards are fulfilled at each discrete transition.

Timed automaton trace

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- X is the set of **clock variables** or simply **clocks** (see later ...);
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- $F \subseteq Q$ is the set of **acceptance** states; F will be trivial: $F = L$ and so we do not mention it;
- $\text{Inv} : L \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(X)$ is the **invariant** mapping each location to a clock constraint (see later ...).

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\longrightarrow is the “edge relation” defined by a set of quintuples of $L \times \mathcal{C}(X) \times \Sigma \times 2^X \times L$. A quintuple $(\ell_i, g, a, X', \ell_f)$ is read as follows:

- ℓ_i is the source location ℓ_f the target location of the edge;
- g is the **guard**, which is a **clock constraint**;
- a is the action label;
- $X' \subseteq X$ are the clocks to be reset when firing the edge. In the graphical representation we use assignments of the form $x = 0$ to indicate the clocks to be reset.

Exercise 17

The domain of a clock is \mathbb{R}^+ . What does this mean?

What does the notation 2^X mean?

Explanations (2)

An **invariant** is a clock constraint associated with a location ℓ . It must hold while the automaton is in ℓ . The automaton must immediately exit ℓ just before the invariant turns false due to the passing of time.

Clock constraints

Clock constraints are generated by the following grammar:

$$\mathcal{C} ::= x \bowtie c \mid \mathcal{C} \wedge \mathcal{C}$$

where $\bowtie \in \{\leq, <, ==, >, \geq\}$ and c is an **integer** and x is a clock from a finite set of clocks X .

Remark: The disjunction of two constraints ($\mathcal{C} \vee \mathcal{C}$) or the negation of a constraint ($\neg \mathcal{C}$) are **not** allowed.

Exercise 18

What does the notation $::=$ and $|$ mean?

Can the restriction “ $\mathcal{C} \vee \mathcal{C}$ forbidden” easily be circumvented?

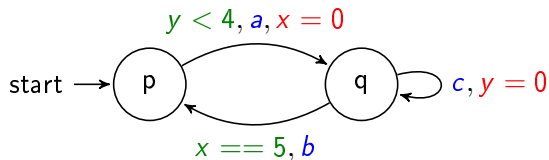
Constraint examples

- $x \leq 5$
- $x \geq 3 \wedge y \leq 9$
- $x > 4 \wedge y == 10$
- $x < 4 \wedge y \leq 10$

Questions:

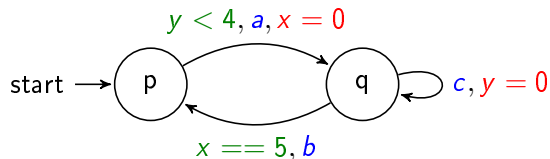
- Is $x \leq \pi$ a constraint?
- Can we write $x == 2$?
- Can we write $\neg(x == 2)$?

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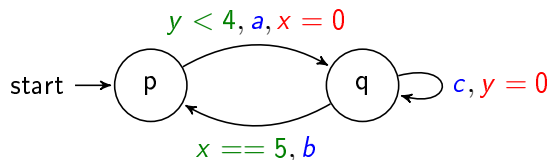


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Exercise 19

Explain the previous slide in some words:

- What is X in this example?
- How is, e.g., $\begin{pmatrix} q \\ 5.0 \\ 3.1 \end{pmatrix}$ a pair (location, clock valuation)?

Timed automaton trace (repeated)

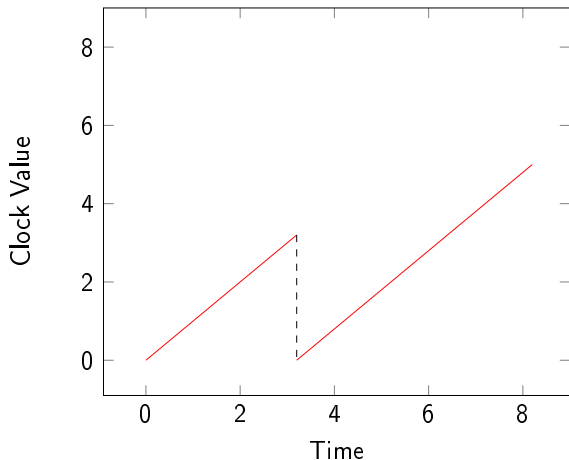
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Clock evolution



The clock evolves with time. It can be reset, but afterwards it continues to run immediately.

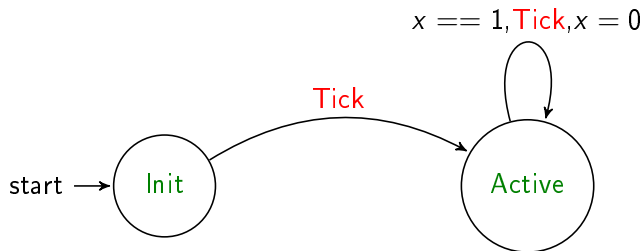
Motivation for invariants

We have not looked at location invariants yet!

Consider a device that goes “Tick” initially and then again every second.

$$X = \{x\}$$

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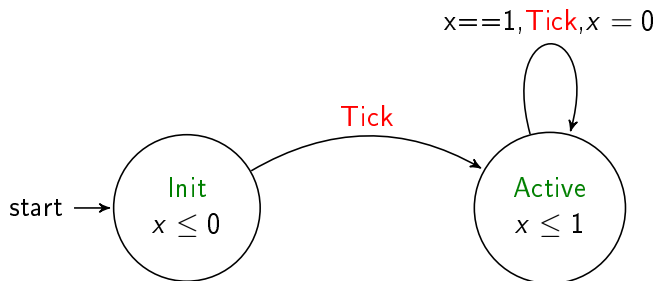


Exercise 20

Does this timed automaton enforce the behaviour described above?

Motivation for invariants (2)

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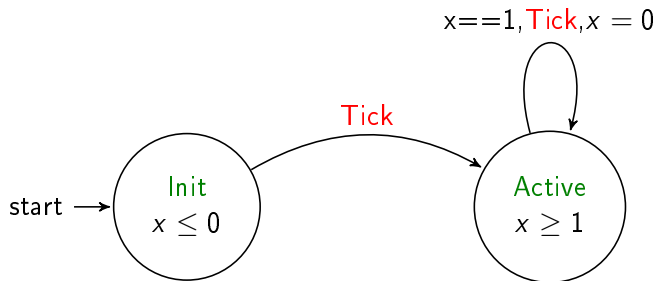
The invariant forces the automaton to stay in **Active** for at most one second before taking the edge going "Tick".

Exercise 21

What are the traces/runs of this automaton?

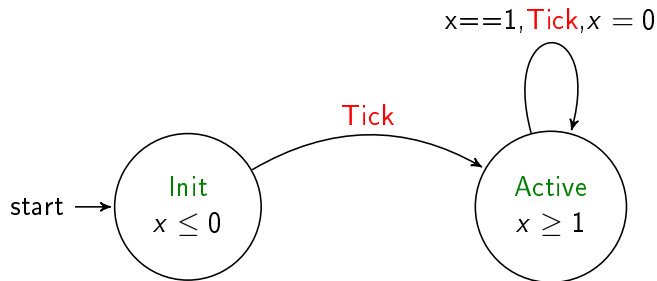
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Following [BY04], we require that invariants have the form $x < c$ or $x \leq c$ (**downwards-closed** invariants).

Reason: Invariants must be met when the location is entered and are there to say when it is time to exit the location. So invariants must have a form that ensures that they become false as time passes, not become true.

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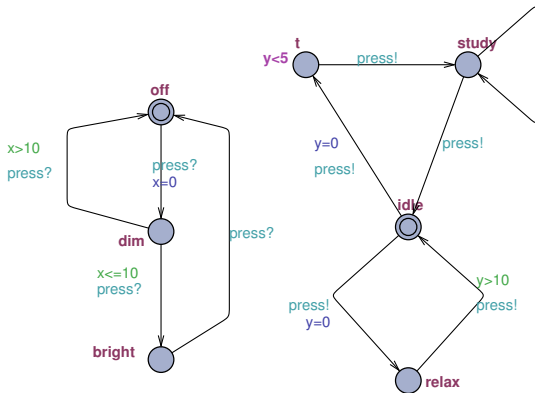
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The alphabet

For the purpose of composition, we consider several component automata that share the clock set X and the alphabet Σ .

Σ contains a special symbol (action) τ which is used whenever a component does a transition privately.

The symbols in $\Sigma \setminus \{\tau\}$ are called **channels**.

We assume that in each component automaton, each edge is labelled either by τ , or by (**send** action) $c!$ or (**receive** action) $c?$, where $c \in \Sigma \setminus \{\tau\}$. For a given $c \in \Sigma \setminus \{\tau\}$, we say that $c!$ and $c?$ are **matching actions**.

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 - synchronised edge: for all $(l_1, \dots, l_n) \in L$, if for some $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, $i < j$, we have $(l_i, g_i, c', r_i, l'_i) \in \longrightarrow_i$ and $(l_j, g_j, c'', r_j, l'_j) \in \longrightarrow_j$ where c'' and c' are matching actions, then $((l_1, \dots, l_i, \dots, l_j, \dots, l_n), g_i \wedge g_j, c, r_i \cup r_j, (l_1, \dots, l'_i, \dots, l'_j, \dots, l_n)) \in \longrightarrow$.
- $\text{Inv}((l_1, \dots, l_n)) = \text{Inv}_1(l_1) \wedge \dots \wedge \text{Inv}_n(l_n)$;

Exercise 22

Why does it say $\mathcal{A}_i = (L_i, \ell_i^o, \Sigma, X, \longrightarrow_i, \text{Inv}_i)$ and not $\mathcal{A}_i = (L_i, \ell_i^o, \Sigma_i, X_i, \longrightarrow_i, \text{Inv}_i)$?

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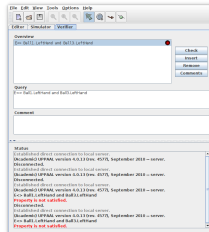
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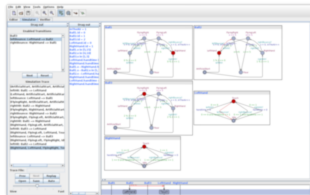
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Guards in Uppaal

Recall the definition of clock constraints:

$$\mathcal{C} ::= x < c \mid x \leq c \mid x > c \mid x \geq c \mid x == c \mid \mathcal{C} \wedge \mathcal{C}$$

In Uppaal we do not necessarily have to put a concrete number for a constant c , but we can declare an **integer constant** parametrically (for easy maintenance).

Example of synchronisation

Declaration of channel:

```
chan c, d, e;
```

Usage:

- send

c!

- receive

c?

The two edges of the two processes **synchronise** via the channel. One process is the sender and the other the receiver.

Exercise 23

What is a **process**? Compare to the notions of the previous section.

Templates

- To save effort and reduce a source of possible errors, there is special support in Uppaal for defining processes that are identical up to some constants. In Uppaal, a process is an instantiation of a **template**.
- The template contains one or more parameters that can be instantiated.

Example:

- Template declaration:

```
process semaphore(int n)
...

```

- Process declaration:

```
aMutexSem1 = semaphore(1);
aMutexSem2 = semaphore(2);

```

- System declaration:

```
system aMutexSem1, aMutexSem2;
```

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To express such desired behaviours, Uppaal uses the temporal logic CTL. We are brief here, because temporal logics have been treated before.

CTL subset

The language contains

- atomic state formulas:
 - $x \leq 3, y \leq 5, i == 10 \dots$
 - The formula $P.l$ expresses that the process P is in location l .
 - The formula **deadlock** expresses that no transition is possible.
- Boolean combinations

$$p ::= s \mid p \text{ and } p \mid p \text{ or } p \mid \text{not } p \mid p \text{ imply } p \mid (p)$$

where s is an atomic state formula.

- path formulas built using exactly one **path quantifier**:
 - $E\langle\rangle p$: there exists a run such that for some state of this run, p holds,
 - $A[] p$: for all runs, for all states of each run, p holds.

Exercise 24

Write down 4 different CTL formulas each involving at least one Boolean operator and one path quantifier.

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Semantics

We will now formally define the runs of a timed automaton. The **semantics** of a timed automaton is expressed as a **transition system**. Recall that a **state** is a pair (location, clock valuation) ...

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Let $\mathcal{A} = (L, \ell^0, \Sigma, X, \longrightarrow, \text{Inv})$. We define its semantics as the transition system: $S(\mathcal{A}) = (S, \Sigma', \longrightarrow, I)$ where

- $S = L \times (X \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^+)$ (the **state set**)
- $\Sigma' = \Sigma \cup \mathbb{R}^+$ (the **alphabet**)
- $I = \{(\ell^0, \eta) \mid \forall x \in X. \eta(x) = 0\}$ (**initial state** “set”)
- The transition relation \longrightarrow is defined through two rules:
 - **discrete transition**: $(\ell, \eta) \xrightarrow{a} (\ell', \eta')$ if
 - the timed automaton has an edge (ℓ, g, a, X', ℓ')
 - $\eta \models g$
 - $\eta' = [X' = 0]\eta$
 - $\eta' \models \text{Inv}(\ell')$
 - **delay transition**: $(\ell, \eta) \xrightarrow{\delta} (\ell, \eta + \delta)$ with $\delta \in \mathbb{R}^+$ if $\forall d : 0 \leq d \leq \delta \Rightarrow \eta + d \models \text{Inv}(\ell)$.

Note: there is an infinite number of states and transitions.

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The clock valuation $\eta + d$ is defined as

$$(\eta + d)(x) := \eta(x) + d \quad \text{for all clocks } x,$$

i.e., all clocks are advanced by d .

Examples of these definitions

Exercise 25

- 1 Does $\{x \mapsto 1.0, y \mapsto 1.0\} \models y > 0.0 \wedge x < 1.0$ hold?
- 2 Does $\{x \mapsto 1.0, y \mapsto 1.0\} \models y > 0.0 \wedge x \leq 1.0$ hold?
- 3 Does $\{x \mapsto 1.0, y \mapsto 2.0\} \models x > 1.0$ hold?
- 4 $[\{x\} = 0]\{x \mapsto 1.0, y \mapsto 1.0\} = \dots?$
- 5 $[\{x, y\} = 0]\{x \mapsto 1.0, y \mapsto 1.0\} = \dots?$
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- 7 $\{x \mapsto 1.0, y \mapsto 1.0\} + 0.5 = \dots?$
- 8 $\{x \mapsto 1.0, y \mapsto 2.0\} + 0.5 = \dots?$

Timed automaton run (repeated)

A **run** starting from a state is a finite or infinite sequence of alternating **delay** and **discrete** transitions.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \begin{pmatrix} p \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{pmatrix} & \xrightarrow[3.2]{\text{delay}} & \begin{pmatrix} p \\ 3.2 \\ 3.2 \end{pmatrix} & \xrightarrow[a]{\text{discrete}} & \begin{pmatrix} q \\ 0 \\ 3.2 \end{pmatrix} & \xrightarrow[1.9]{\text{delay}} & \begin{pmatrix} q \\ 1.9 \\ 5.1 \end{pmatrix} & \xrightarrow[c]{\text{discrete}} & & \\
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... and discuss some directions of improvement, without actually realising them.

LEGO Mindstorm[©]

- **LEGO Mindstorm** is a product by the LEGO company. It is a construction kit containing
 - a controller with a display;
 - light sensors;
 - touch sensors;
 - electric motors (rotors);
 - wheels;
 - 100s of small mechanical pieces, some resembling classical LEGO bricks.
- The box costs around 400€ and had its peek of popularity in the 2000's, but there is still a big community.
- There are dozens of programming languages for programming the controller.

A Machine for Sorting LEGO Bricks

- For our case study, we have chosen a machine for sorting LEGO bricks.
- Many such machines have been constructed. For us, it was important to choose a construction with an interesting **real-time** aspect.
- Our case study is inspired by [IKL⁺99].
- The machine has been built by Delphin Duquenne, Salim Koumad, Julien Wallart, and Antoine Willems, but the code presented here is by Jan-Georg Smaus.
- We use the NXC language.

Exercise 26

Search the web for videos of sorting machines constructed from Lego mindstorm. Post a link of a machine you find interesting, and discuss whether it has a particularly interesting real-time aspect, or not.

The Purpose of the Machine

Sorting LEGO bricks: White bricks should be kicked off the belt, black (or any other colour) bricks should remain on the belt.

The belt moves all the time at constant speed while the machine is switched on.

The arm makes a 360 degree rotation for a white brick. Of course, this rotation must be **timed** with reasonable precision so that the brick is actually kicked off.

The Program (1)

```
//The speeds
#define BELTSPEED 36
#define ARMSPEED -50

// NXT 2.0 Color sensor connected to port 3.
#define COLORSENSOR SENSOR_3
```

The exact values of those speed are a matter of calibration.

Exercise 27

Why is BELTSPEED positive and ARMSPEED negative?

The Program (2)

```
task main()
{
float color = 0;
SetSensorColorFull(IN_3); //set the color sensor light on
OnFwd(OUT_A,BELTSPEED);
while (true) //never ending loop
{
  TextOut(1,LCD_LINE1,"color ");
  color = COLORSENSOR;
  NumOut(50,LCD_LINE1,color);
  if (color == 6) //6 = white
  {
    Wait(1300);
    RotateMotor(OUT_B, ARMSPEED, 360);
  }
}
```


Discussion of the Program

Exercise 28

- 1 When/where does the program stop the moving belt?
- 2 What are `TextOut` and `NumOut` good for?
- 3 What does the line `color = ... do?`
- 4 What is the time unit of NXC?
- 5 What does the “360” stand for?

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Exercise 29

(not to be answered now, but only once you have understood the model)
Try to observe what these simplifications are and discuss how serious they are!

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- The **belt**: the only reason we need it in the model is that the belt process controls that two bricks cannot be on the physical belt at the same place at the same time. Each brick “controls” its own position.
- The **light sensor**: all it does is receive a signal from the bricks which it passes on to the controller. Not worthwhile to define a process for that! Instead, the brick communicates directly with the controller.
- The **arm**: receives a “start kicking” signal from the controller.

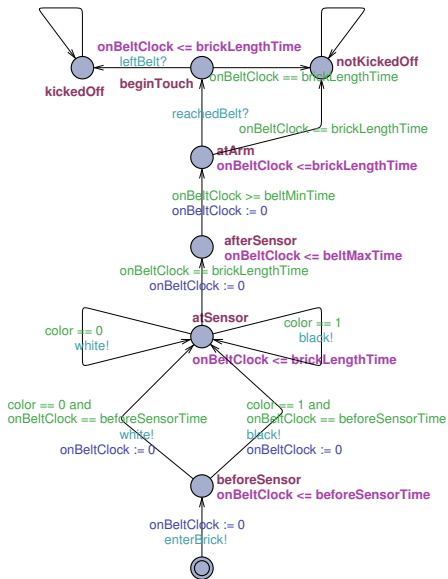
The Channels

- `white`: A white brick tells the controller: “I am beneath the sensor”.
- `black`: A black brick tells the controller: “I am beneath the sensor”.
- `enterBrick`: A brick tells the belt: “I start lying on you.”
- `kick`: The controller tells the arm: “kick!”.
- `reachedBelt`: The arm tells any brick that wants to hear it: “I reached the belt and I am ready to kick you” (**broadcast** channel).
- `leftBelt`: The arm tells any brick that wants to hear it: “I left the belt” (**broadcast** channel).

Exercise 30

Channels are for **communication** between processes. However, in some cases, the notion of “communication” is used in a strongly metaphorical sense. For which of the above channels is this particularly true?

The Brick Template

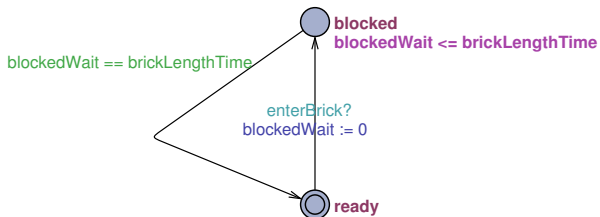


Exercise 31

How does a black brick behave differently from a white brick?

In particular, does a white brick “jump off the belt” on its own?

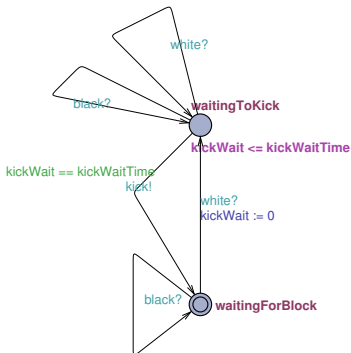
The Belt



Exercise 32

What is the belt process good for?

The Controller

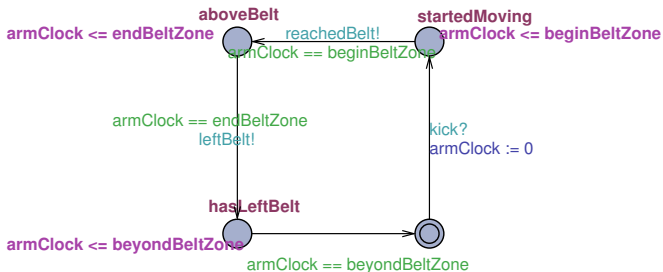


It could be envisaged that the translation of the program into the Uppaal process is done automatically as in [IKL⁺99].

Exercise 33

So how was the present controller model generated?

The Arm



Exercise 34

Sketch the movement of the arm and indicate the corresponding locations of the above process.

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Exercise 35

Answer the above questions.

Setting the Parameters

Setting the parameters must be done by down-to-earth chronometric and geometric measurements (see TP!).

What Properties?

What properties might one want to prove?

- Deadlock freedom
- It is possible for a white brick to be kicked off and it is impossible for it to reach the end of the belt.
- It is possible for a black brick to reach the end of the belt and it is impossible for it be kicked off.
- If a white brick enters the belt, it will eventually be kicked off.
- If a black brick enters the belt, it will eventually reach the end of the belt.

All of the above for the following scenarii, if applicable:

- There is exactly one white brick in the game.
- There is exactly one black brick in the game.
- There are exactly one black and one white brick in the game.
- There are two white bricks and one black brick in the game.

See TP!

Lessons

- Simple behaviours (e.g., just one brick!) can be found by observation or by trusting the semantics of NXC (e.g., `Wait(1300)` will cause the controller to wait exactly 130ms). This can be used to design each process.
- Uppaal can detect that by the complex interaction of those simple behaviours, phenomena may occur (i.e., states are reachable) that one might not discover by physical experiments.
- The crucial question is: have we really modelled the interfaces between the process faithfully enough?
If not, it might turn out that while our abstractions are good enough for the single processes, they are not good enough for the composition (e.g., one bricks vs. several bricks).
If yes, we obtain a guarantee we can trust.

Improvements

On the model side:

- Relative correctness: if the light sensor captures the signal, the white brick will be kicked off.
- Probabilistic verification
- Be more faithful: include tolerances in many places.

On the physical side:

- Improve the arm.

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- same discrete transitions;
- same delay transitions.

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- For knowing which clock x , among all the clocks, will be the next one to change its value (due to the passing of time)
 - from $x < c$ to $x = c$; or
 - from $x = c$ to $x > c$; or
 - from $x > c$ to $x = c + 1$,

the ordering of the **fractional parts** of the clocks matters.

Thus, some assignments must be distinguished whereas others can be considered as equivalent, for our purposes.

Regions capture exactly this information.

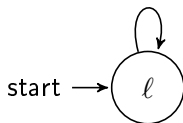
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Why is it reasonable to say that there is definitely no essential difference between $\{x \mapsto 1.5, y \mapsto 3.3\}$ and $\{x \mapsto 1.6, y \mapsto 3.4\}$?

Why might there be an essential difference between $\{x \mapsto 1.5, y \mapsto 3.3\}$ and $\{x \mapsto 2.0, y \mapsto 3.8\}$?

Region automaton example

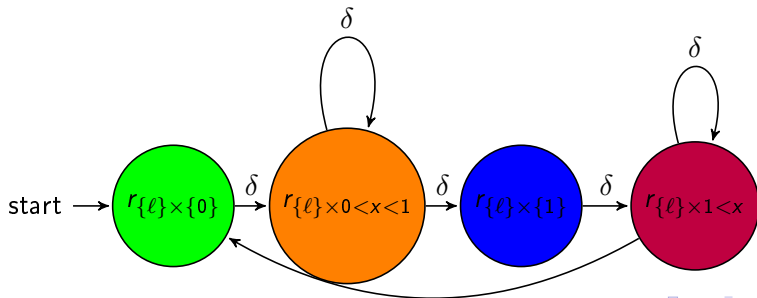
Consider the following automaton: $x > 1, a, x := 0$



We **partition** its state space as follows :

$$\{ \{(l, x) \mid x = 0\}, \{(l, x) \mid 0 < x < 1\}, \{(l, x) \mid x = 1\}, \{(l, x) \mid 1 < x\} \}$$

Then its **region graph** is the following:



Properties of the region graph

- Finite number of states.
- Finite number of transitions (finite branching).

The “equivalence” between the **region graph** automaton and the transition system of a timed automaton allows us to decide basic temporal properties over timed automata.

Region equivalence

Some preliminaries:

- For any clock variable x , let C_x be the largest integer appearing in constraints involving x .
- for $t \in \mathbb{R}$, its integral part is denoted: $\lfloor t \rfloor$, its fractional part is denoted $\text{fract}(t)$

$$\lfloor 2.32 \rfloor = 2 \quad \text{fract}(2.32) = 0.32$$

Clock valuation equivalence

Example: We have a timed automaton with two clocks x and y . x is compared to 1 and 2: $C_x = 2$. y is compared to 0 and 1: $C_y = 1$. The equivalence classes are:

- Corner points: $(0,0), (1,1), \dots$
- open line segments $\{(x,y) : (0 < x < 1) \wedge (x = y)\}, \dots$
- open regions
 $\{(x,y) : 0 < x < y < 1\}, \{(x,y) : (1 < x < 2) \wedge (y > 1)\}, \dots$
- ...

Region equivalence relation

Visual illustration later ...

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Region equivalence relation

Visual illustration later ...

Definition (\equiv_{REG})

Two valuations η and η' are **region-equivalent**: $\eta \equiv_{\text{REG}} \eta'$ iff

- for all x , either $\lfloor \eta(x) \rfloor = \lfloor \eta'(x) \rfloor$, or both $\eta(x) > C_x$ and $\eta'(x) > C_x$;
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- The number of regions is huge!
- The number of regions finite!
- Regions can be visualised geometrically ...

Region equivalence

Exercise 38

Let $C_x = 2$, $C_y = 3$, $C_z = 5$.

Determine which pairs of clock valuations are region-equivalent:

$$1 : \{x \mapsto 1.3, y \mapsto 2.7, z \mapsto 4.4\} \quad 2 : \{x \mapsto 1.4, y \mapsto 2.7, z \mapsto 4.3\}$$

$$3 : \{x \mapsto 1.3, y \mapsto 2.7, z \mapsto 5.5\} \quad 4 : \{x \mapsto 1.4, y \mapsto 2.8, z \mapsto 4.5\}$$

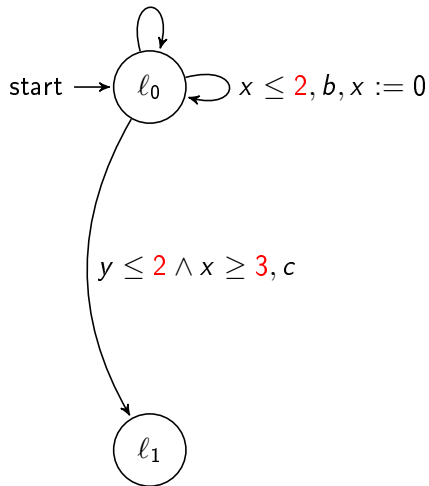
$$5 : \{x \mapsto 1.3, y \mapsto 2.8, z \mapsto 4.4\} \quad 6 : \{x \mapsto 1.3, y \mapsto 2.7, z \mapsto 10.0\}$$

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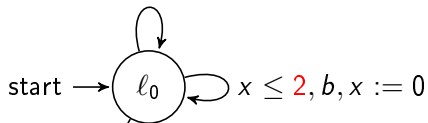
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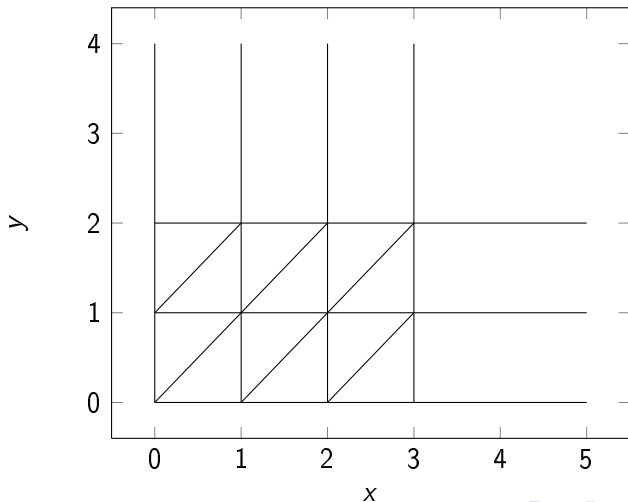
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The regions of this example

$$\text{Regions}_{x,y} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \hline \{(0,0)\}, \dots, \{(3,2)\} \quad \text{(points)} \\ \{(x,0) \mid 0 < x \wedge x < 1\}, \\ \vdots \quad \text{(bounded segments)} \\ \{(3,y) \mid 1 < y \wedge y < 2\}, \\ \hline \{(x,0) \mid 3 < x\}, \\ \vdots \quad \text{(unbounded segments)} \\ \{(3,y) \mid y > 2\}, \\ \hline \{(x,y) \mid 0 < x < 1 \wedge 0 < y < 1 \wedge x - y < 0\}, \\ \vdots \quad \text{(bounded regions)} \\ \{(x,y) \mid 2 < x < 3 \wedge 1 < y < 2 \wedge x - y > 1\}, \\ \hline \{(x,y) \mid 3 < x \wedge y < 1\}, \\ \vdots \quad \text{(unbounded regions)} \\ \{(x,y) \mid 3 < x \wedge 2 < y\} \end{array} \right.$$

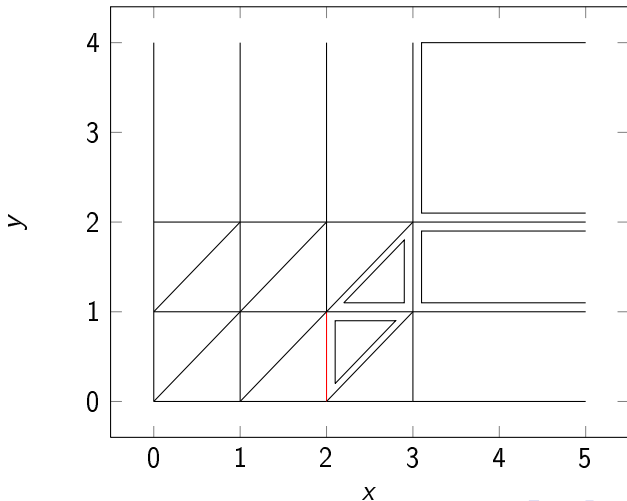
The regions of this example visualised

To simplify, we ignore discrete transitions and resets here. We only care for the passing of time.



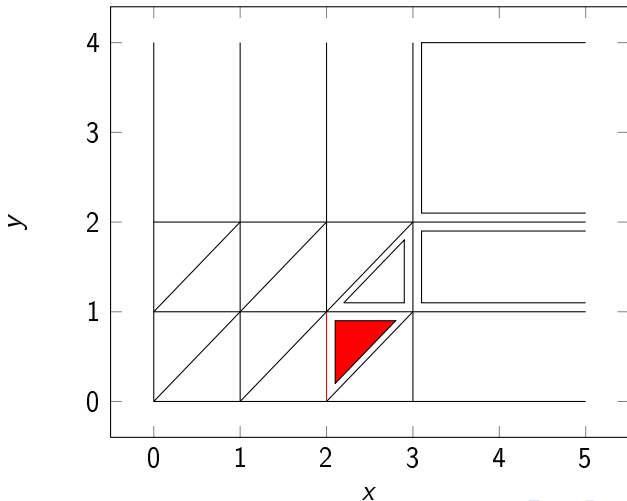
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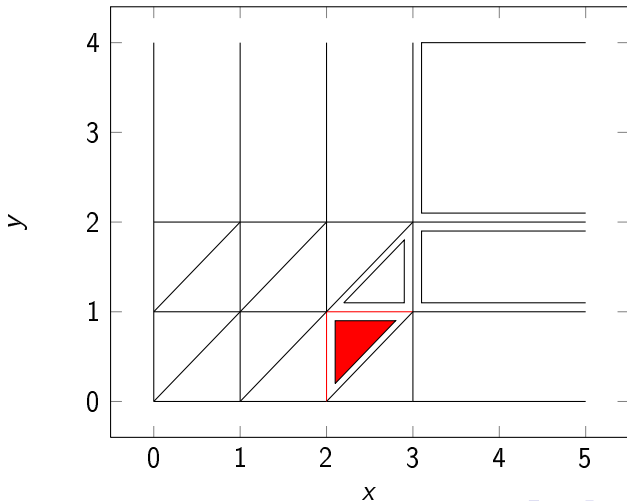
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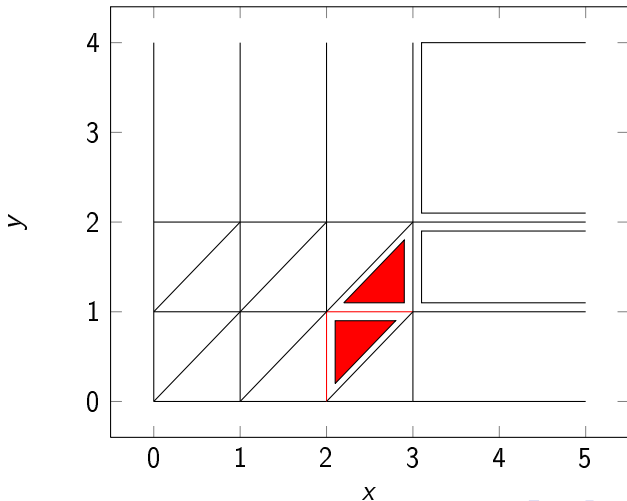
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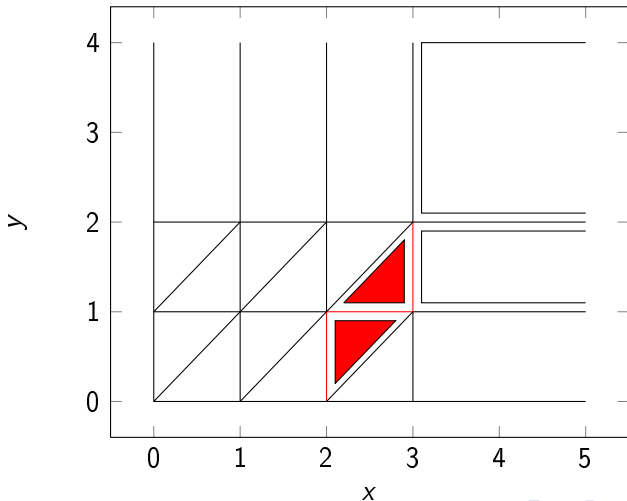
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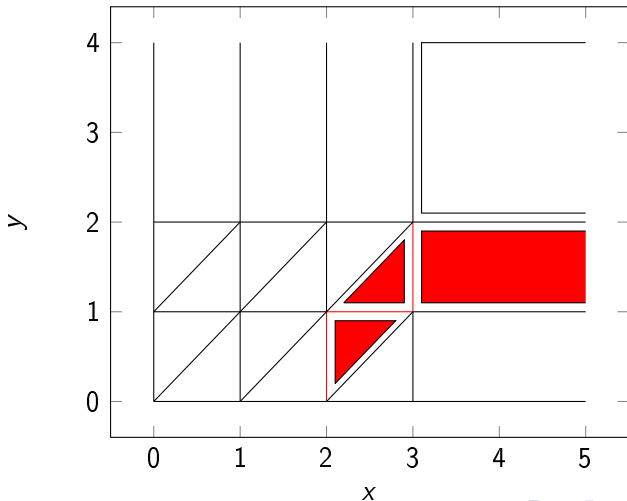
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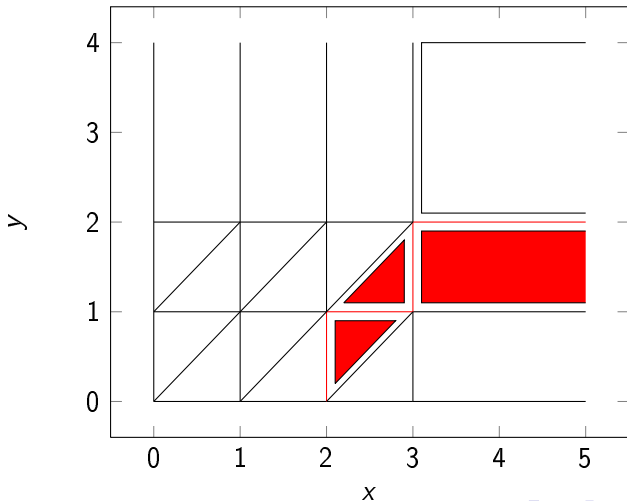
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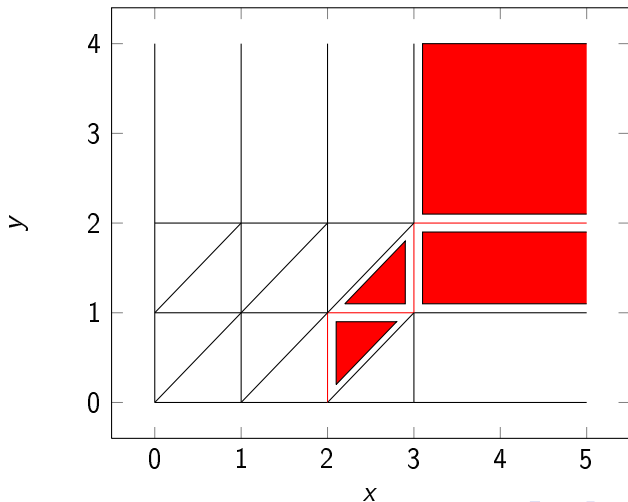
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Another example

Exercise 39

Illustrate the time successors for the starting region $\{(1, 0)\}$.

The full region graph

- Time successors are needed for simulating the **delay transitions** of a timed automaton.
- To define the full **region graph**, we also need to consider the **discrete** transitions. This is pretty straightforward, but we do not go into this much detail in this course.

What are regions good for?

The “equivalence” between the **region graph** automaton and the transition system of a timed automaton allows us to decide basic temporal properties over timed automata.

In particular, consider two timed automaton states (ℓ, η) and (ℓ', η') , and the corresponding regions $R(\eta)$ and $R(\eta')$. Then

- (ℓ', η') is reachable from (ℓ, η) in the timed automaton if and only if
- $(\ell', R(\eta'))$ is reachable from $(\ell, R(\eta))$ in the region graph of the automaton.

Thus we have a way of deciding reachability.

Conclusion

- Timed automata are a modelling framework for systems where **real time** matters, i.e., where we are interested in events that happen at a particular time.
- We have only looked at few examples and no realistic ones, but there exist countless examples.
- The definition of timed automata is quite restrictive, e.g., it is not possible to have **stopwatches**, or to have clocks that run at a different speed ...
- Thanks to these restrictions, timed automata are accessible to automatic verification.
- The tool Uppaal proves it.

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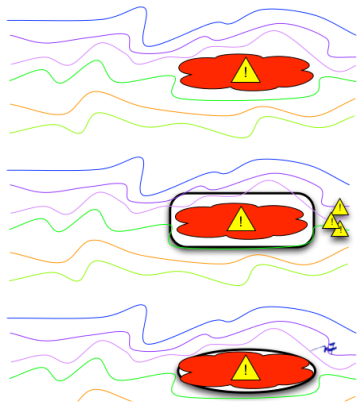
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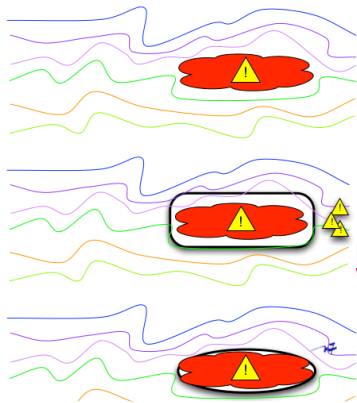
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On top, the coloured lines depict the executions of a system, and the red cloud is a dangerous zone. The system is good. In the middle, we work with an approximation of the dangerous zone that wrongly suggests that the system is not good. At the bottom, we work with a refined approximation of the dangerous zone that shows that the system is good.

Exercise 40

Why might we want to work with an approximation of the dangerous zone, bigger than the actual dangerous zone?

What is the “advantage” of the square (with rounded corners) of the middle image, compared to the cloud?

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Goal: Infer information for possible values of all variables at each program point, e.g. that at point 2, $x \in [-1, 12]$.

Basic Idea

- **Abstract interpretation** was introduced by [CC77] and is a form of **static analysis**.
- Idea: replace computation on **concrete** data by computation on **abstract** data so that the abstract computation **overapproximates** “cheaply” the concrete computation.

Running example (PNZ-domain): P (positive integers), N (negative ...), Z (0), PZ (non-negative), NZ (non-positive), PNZ (all).

An example: Euclid's algorithm

```
int x = a, y = b;
int s = 1, t = 0, u = 0, v = 1;
while(y > 0){
  int r = x % y;
  int q = x / y;
  x = y;
  y = r;
  int w = u;
  u = s - u * q;
  s = w;
  w = v;
  v = t - v * q;
  t = w;
}
return x;
```

Exercise 41

What does this program compute?

What are s , t , u , v ?

Abstraction of example

```
int x = P, y = P;
int s = P, t = Z, u = Z, v = P;
while(y > Z){
    int r = x % y;
    int q = x / y;
    x = y;//x = P is invariant
    y = r;//y = PZ is invariant
    int w = u;
    u = s - u * q;//alternates between PZ and NZ
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Operations on concrete domain defined in “natural” way, where **errors** lead to **absence** of results, e.g.:

- $\{1, 4\} + \{5, 9\} = \{6, 10, 9, 13\}$;
- $\{10, 20\} / \{-2, 0, 2\} = \{-10, -5, 5, 10\}$
- $\{10, 20\} / \{0\} = \emptyset$

Exercise 43

$\{1, 4\} \times \{5, 9\} = \dots ?$

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We also sometimes use the notation

$$n\mathbb{Z} + m := \{n \cdot x + m \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

Exercise 44

- 1 $[1, 5] = \dots?$
- 2 $\{2, 3, 4, 5, 7\} \subseteq [2, 7]?$
- 3 $3\mathbb{Z} + 5 \subseteq 6\mathbb{Z} + 5?$

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Example: $\mathcal{D}^\# = \{P, N, Z, PZ, NZ, PNZ\}$.

$P +^\# P = P$ (“positive + positive = positive”), ...

Exercise 45

$N \times^\# N = \dots?$ $N \times^\# P = \dots?$ $N \times^\# Z = \dots?$

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Exercise 46

$\alpha(\{0, 1, 7\}) = \dots?$ $\alpha(\{-1, -7\}) = ?$ $\alpha(\{-7, 1\}) = \dots?$

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We have $\alpha(\{1, 7\}) = P$, $\alpha(\{1, 7, 9, 10\}) = P$, $\alpha(\{1, 7, 9, 10, 11, 25\}) = P$,
..., but the **greatest** set $\in 2^{\mathbb{Z}}$ (the greatest concrete object) o such that
 $\alpha(o) = P$ is the set $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$. Hence $\gamma(P) = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$.

Exercise 47

$\gamma(N) = \dots?$ $\gamma(Z) = \dots?$

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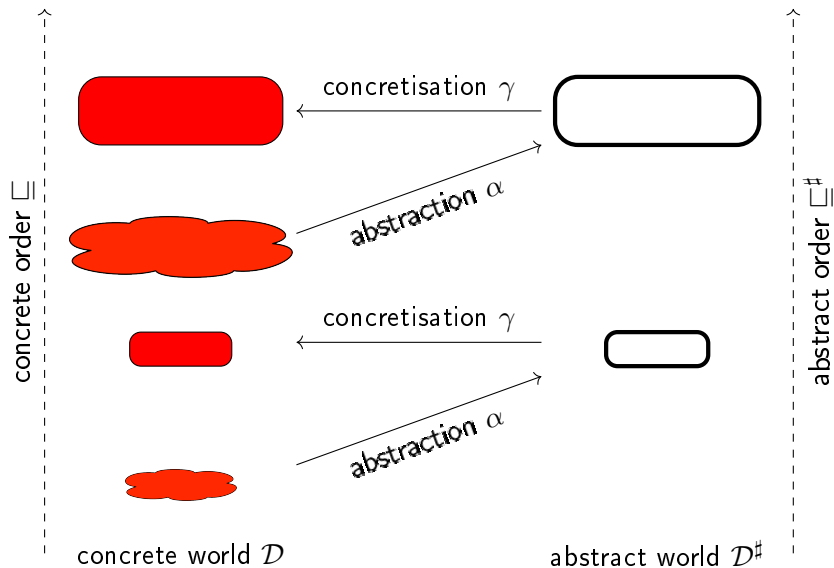
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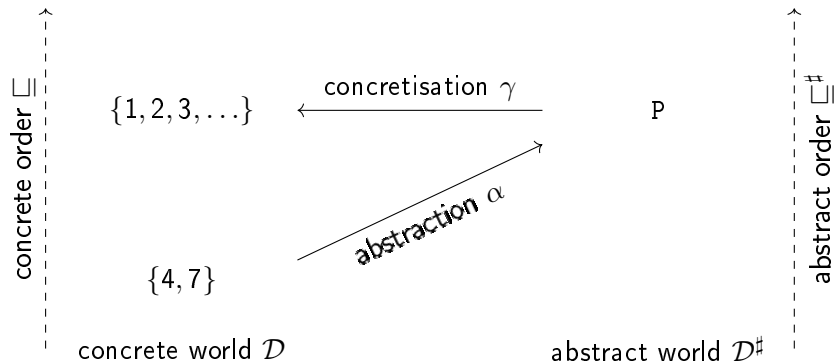
Exercise 48

Draw the entire $\sqsubseteq^\#$ -lattice for $\{P, Z, N, PZ, NZ, PNZ\}$.

Concrete — abstract : summary



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Abstract operations

To manipulate abstract objects we need to define abstract operations that **correctly** mimic the concrete operations.

$unary^\sharp : \mathcal{D}^\sharp \rightarrow \mathcal{D}^\sharp$ or $binary^\sharp : (\mathcal{D}^\sharp \times \mathcal{D}^\sharp) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}^\sharp$

This is done as follows.

- $unary^\sharp(x) = \alpha(unary(\gamma(x)))$
- $binary^\sharp(x, y) = \alpha(binary(\gamma(x), \gamma(y)))$
- ...

We will get back to this later ...

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A toy language

Syntax

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{expr} ::= & v \mid n \mid \text{rand}(n, n) \\ & \mid \text{expr} + \text{expr} \mid \text{expr} - \text{expr} \mid \text{expr} \times \text{expr} \mid \text{expr} / \text{expr} \end{aligned}$$

$v \in \mathbb{V}$, a set of variables

$n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$\text{rand}(n_1, n_2)$ simulates an input value.

Exercise 49

Write a naive program for computing $\lfloor \sqrt{n} \rfloor$ (0 if $n < 0$).

Toy language example

Example

```
x = rand(0, 12); y = 42;
while (x > 0) {
  x = x - 2;
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```

A run
(values at loop entry point) :

x	7	5	3	1	-1
y	42	46	50	54	58

Remarks

- very simple language, without functions,
- but representative of an imperative language like C
- it's Turing-complete

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This will be the basis for now looking at **program** semantics and abstractions. Important aspects:

- Variables and their values (memory states);
- program points (we denote the set of program points by L).

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$$\llbracket e \rrbracket_E : (\mathbb{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow 2^{\mathbb{Z}}$$

$$\llbracket v \rrbracket_E (\rho) = \{\rho(v)\}$$

$$\llbracket n \rrbracket_E (\rho) = \{n\}$$

$$\llbracket \mathbf{rand}(n_1, n_2) \rrbracket_E (\rho) = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid n_1 \leq n \leq n_2\}$$

$$\llbracket e_1 + e_2 \rrbracket_E (\rho) = \{n_1 + n_2 \mid n_1 \in \llbracket e_1 \rrbracket_E (\rho) \wedge n_2 \in \llbracket e_2 \rrbracket_E (\rho)\}$$

...

Exercise 50

Let $\rho = \{x \mapsto 2, y \mapsto 6\}$.

$$\llbracket x + y \rrbracket_E (\rho) = \dots?$$

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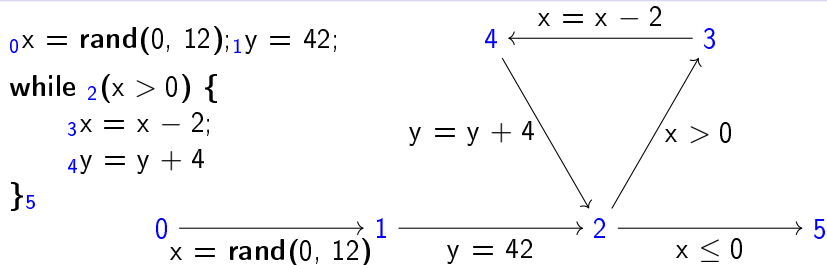
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- A function that to each program point (in L)
- maps a set of possible memory states:
 - a function that to each variable (in \mathbb{V})
 - maps its value in memory (in \mathbb{Z})

Example



Denoting by S_i the semantics at point i :

$$S_0 = \mathbb{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \quad (\mathbb{V} = \{x, y\})$$

$$S_1 = \{f \in (\mathbb{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}) \mid f(x) \in [0, 12]\}$$

$$S_2 = \{f \mid f(x) \in [-1, 12], f(y) \in \{42, 46, \dots, 62, 66\}, 2f(x) + f(y) \in [42, 66]\}$$

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$$S_5 = \{f \mid f(x) \in [-1, 0], f(y) \in \{42, 46, \dots, 62, 66\}, 2f(x) + f(y) \in [42, 66]\}$$

Exercise 51

Is $(x = 10, y = 46)$ possible at point 2? Is $(x = 10, y = 54)$ possible?

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Exercise 52

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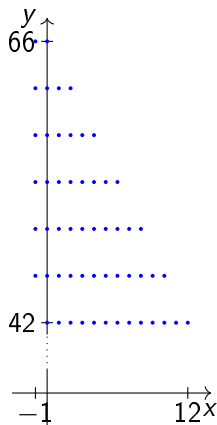
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 - **non-relational** : the values of x and y are independent.
 - Current state of affairs in Frama-C (leaving aside some special settings working for toy examples).

Exercise 53

Discuss this issue using the two forum exercises above.

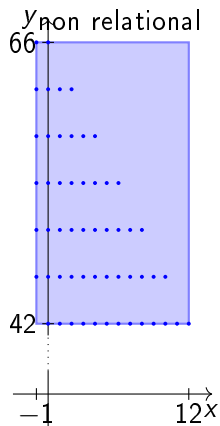
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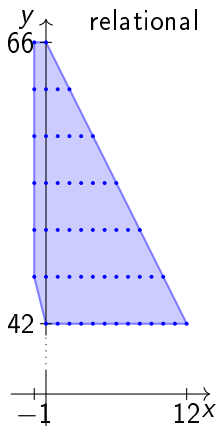
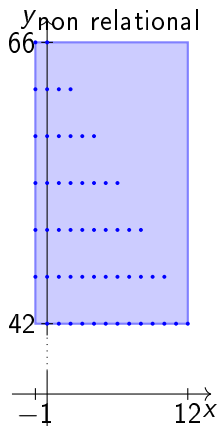
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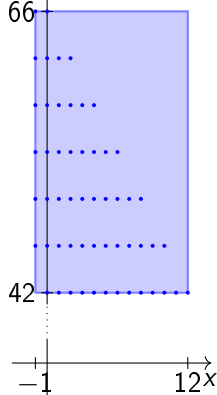
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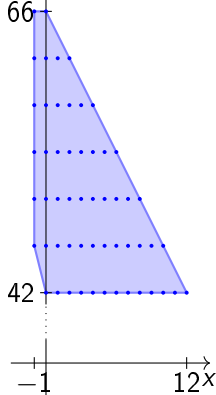
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y non relational



y relational



Exercise 54

Identify the point
($x = 10, y = 54$).

Side note: in both cases, we assume an abstraction that works with “contiguous areas”, not “discrete points” \Rightarrow interval domain, see later.

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- The presentation above suggests that concrete data comes first, one defines an abstraction and then a concretisation. But actually the setup an abstract domain works **the other way round**:
 - define what are the abstract objects;
 - specify the concretisation γ .
 - The definition of α results from this:

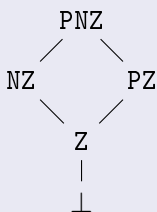
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Domain of signs

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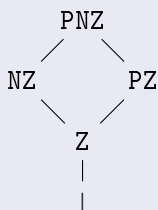
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The definition of α follows from the definition of γ as stated above:

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$+^\sharp$	PNZ	NZ	PZ	Z	\perp
PNZ	PNZ	PNZ	PNZ	PNZ	\perp
NZ	PNZ	NZ	PNZ	NZ	\perp
PZ	PNZ	PNZ	PZ	PZ	\perp
Z	PNZ	NZ	PZ	Z	\perp
\perp	\perp	\perp	\perp	\perp	\perp

- ...

Domain of signs: abstract arithmetic operations (2)

Exercise 55

$-#$	PNZ	NZ	PZ	Z	\perp
PNZ					
NZ					
PZ					
Z					
\perp					

Domain of signs: abstract arithmetic operations with errors

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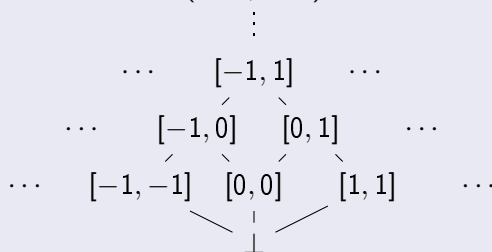
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PNZ	PNZ	PNZ	PNZ	\perp	\perp
NZ	PNZ	PZ	NZ	\perp	\perp
PZ	PNZ	NZ	PZ	\perp	\perp
Z	Z	Z	Z	\perp	\perp
\perp	\perp	\perp	\perp	\perp	\perp

Hence, if we infer abstract value PZ for variable x at a certain point, it means that x is definitely non-negative **provided we reach that program point**; an error might have occurred before.

Domain of intervals

Definition

Lattice of intervals $(\mathcal{D}^\# = \{[n_1, n_2] \mid n_1, n_2 \in \mathbb{Z}, n_1 \leq n_2\} \cup \{[n_1, \infty) \mid n_1 \in \mathbb{Z}\} \cup \{(-\infty, n_2] \mid n_2 \in \mathbb{Z}\} \cup \{(-\infty, \infty), \perp\})$
 $(-\infty, +\infty)$



$$\gamma((-\infty, +\infty)) = (-\infty, +\infty)$$

$$\gamma((-\infty, n]) = (-\infty, n]$$

$$\gamma([n, +\infty)) = [n, +\infty)$$

$$\gamma([n_1, n_2]) = [n_1, n_2]$$

$$\gamma(\perp) = \emptyset$$

Domain of intervals: abstraction

We define:

$$\alpha(S) = \begin{cases} [n_1, n_2] & \text{where } n_1 = \min S \text{ and } n_2 = \max S \\ \perp & \text{if } S = \emptyset \end{cases}$$

Same principle as in previous examples: a set S of integers is abstracted as the smallest (w.r.t. \sqsubseteq) element in the abstract domain, i.e., the tightest interval, whose concretisation contains S .

We lose information but we want to lose as little as possible, given an abstract domain.

Domain of intervals: Abstract operations

- $x^\# +^\# y^\# = \alpha(\{x + y \mid x \in \gamma(x^\#), y \in \gamma(y^\#)\}) =$
$$\begin{cases} [a + c, b + d] & \text{where } x^\# = [a, b] \text{ and } y^\# = [c, d] \\ \perp & \text{if } x^\# = \perp \text{ or } y^\# = \perp \end{cases}$$

Exercise 56

Subtraction, multiplication

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Reminder: The Toy Program

```
0x = rand(0, 12); 1y = 42;  
while 2(x > 0) {  
    3x = x - 2;  
    4y = y + 4  
}5
```

Executing the Program Using the Interval Domain

	x	y		x	y		x	y
0:	$(-\infty, \infty)$	$(-\infty, \infty)$						
1:	$[0, 12]$	$(-\infty, \infty)$						
2*:	$[0, 12]$	$[42, 42]$	2*:	$[-1, 8]$	$[50, 50]$	2*:	$[-1, 4]$	$[58, 58]$
3:	$[1, 12]$	$[42, 42]$	3:	$[1, 8]$	$[50, 50]$	3:	$[1, 4]$	$[58, 58]$
4:	$[-1, 10]$	$[42, 42]$	4:	$[-1, 6]$	$[50, 50]$	4:	$[-1, 2]$	$[58, 58]$
2*:	$[-1, 10]$	$[46, 46]$	2*:	$[-1, 6]$	$[54, 54]$	2*:	$[-1, 2]$	$[62, 62]$
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4:	$[-1, 8]$	$[46, 46]$	4:	$[-1, 4]$	$[54, 54]$	4:	$[-1, 0]$	$[62, 62]$
						2:	$[-1, 0]$	$[66, 66]$
						5:	$[-1, 0]$	$[66, 66]$

*: quitting the loop is also possible since values ≤ 0 are included in the interval for x , leading to possibilities $5: [0, 0] [42, 42]$, $5: [-1, 0] [46, 46]$,

$5: [-1, 0] [50, 50]$, $5: [-1, 0] [54, 54]$, $5: [-1, 0] [58, 58]$,

$5: [-1, 0] [62, 62]$, so in summary $5: [-1, 0] [42, 66]$.

Information Extracted from Execution

- For program point 2, we have to take the union of all points marked “2” above, and thus infer $x = [-1, 12]$, $y = [42, 66]$ (see slide 179).
- We infer this information much more cheaply than by executing in the concrete.
- Especially for an infinite abstract domain like the interval domain, this may still be too expensive and one might consider additional abstraction techniques.
- On the other hand, one might consider refinement techniques.
- This abstract execution just gives an idea of the principle.

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Confinement Exercises

In the sequel there are very few forum or mandatory exercises, as the introduction to a software tool does not really lend itself to such exercises. It would be like learning to swim without water!
It is during the TP sessions that you will have exercises!

Historical Context

- 90's: CAVEAT, Hoare logic-based tool for C code at CEA
- 2000's: CAVEAT used by Airbus during certification process of the A380 (DO-178 level A qualification)
- 2002: Why and its C front-end Caduceus (at INRIA)
- 2004: start of Frama-C project as a successor to CAVEAT and Caduceus
- 2008: First public release of Frama-C (Hydrogen)
- 2012: WP: Weakest-precondition based plugin
- 2012: E-ACSL: Runtime Verification plugin
- 2013: CEA Spin-off TrustInSoft
- 2016: Eva: Evolved Value Analysis
- 2016: Frama-Clang: C++ extension
- Today: Frama-C Titanium (version 22.0, 2020)

Frama-C, a Collection of Tools

Several tools inside a single platform

- tools provided as plug-ins
 - 21 plug-ins in the open source distribution
 - outside open source plug-ins (E-ACSL & Frama-Clang, a few others)
 - closed source plug-ins, either at CEA (about 20) or outside
- plug-ins connected to a **kernel**
 - provides a uniform setting
 - provides general services
 - synthesizes useful information

Frama-C, a Development Platform

- developed in OCaml (\approx 180 kloc in the open source distribution, \approx 300 kloc with proprietary extensions)
- **library** dedicated to analysis of C code; development of plug-ins by third party
- powerful low-cost analyser
- Here: **EVA** for abstract interpretation and **wp** for deductive verification.

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- Specification of a function states **pre-conditions** and **post-conditions**.
- Special clause for stating which memory locations the function assigns (i.e. any memory location not mentioned must be unmodified).

ACSL: Simple example

```
/*@ requires \valid(a) && \valid(b);
    requires \separated(a,b);
    assigns *a, *b;
    ensures *a == \at(*b,Pre) && *b == \at(*a,Pre);
*/
void swap(int * a, int * b);
```

- `requires` : pre-condition
- `\valid` and `\separated`: built-in ACSL predicates
- `assigns` : all other memory locations must be unaltered
- `ensures` and `\at, Pre` (entry point of function)

Screenshot

The screenshot displays the Frama-C GUI with the source file `max_VASolution.c` open. The code defines a `max` function and a `main` function that uses `Frama_C_interval` to set initial values for variables `A` and `B`.

```

int A;
int B;
int C;
int M;
int max(int x, int y)
{
    if (x > y) {
        M = x;
    }
    else {
        M = y;
    }
    return M;
}

void main(void)
{
    A = Frama_C_interval(0,100);
    B = Frama_C_interval(-200,200);
    C = max(A,B);
    return A;
}

```

The execution output in the console shows the following results:

```

1
2 /*
3
4 frama-c-gui -val max_VA.c
5
6 */
7
8 #include "__fc_builtin.h"
9
10 int A, B, C, M;
11
12 int max (int x, int y)
13 {
14     M = (x > y) ? x : y;
15     return M;
16 }
17
18 void main(void)
19 {
20     A = Frama_C_interval(0,100);
21     //The case x>y is unreachable, domain of C becomes [200, 300]:
22     //B = Frama_C_interval(200,300);
23     //Both cases are reachable, domain of C becomes [100, 200]
24     B = Frama_C_interval(-200,200);
25     C = max(A, B);

```

The WP (Weakest Precondition) panel on the left shows the following configuration:

- Model...: Typed
- Script...: (None)
- Provers...: Alt-Ergo (native)
- RTE Split Trace
- Steps: 0
- Depth: 0
- Timeout: 10
- Process: 4
- Slicing**
 - Enable 1 Verif
 - Libraries 2 Lev
- Occurrence**
 - Current var: None
 - Enable
 - Follow focus
 - Read Write
- Metrics**
-

The bottom panel shows the execution path and variables:

```

File /home/smaus/Ens/OutilsFI/Outils_formels/Exercices/Frama-C/max_VASolution.c
Functions: max, main
Variables: A, B, C, M

```


ACSL: Behaviors

```
/*@ behavior not_null:
    assumes a!=\null && b!= \null;
    requires \valid(a) && \valid(b);
    requires \separated(a,b);
    assigns *a, *b;
    ensures *a == \at(*b,Pre) && *b == \at(*a,Pre);

    behavior null:
    assumes a == \null || b == \null;
    assigns \nothing;

    complete behaviors;
    disjoint behaviors;
*/
void swap_or_null(int * a, int * b);
```

ACSL: Behaviors (2)

- behaviors are a structuring mechanism. They make specifications more readable (see TP).
- Can be guarded by assumes clauses.
- Behaviors need not be complete or disjoint, but this can be stipulated.

ACSL: Loop invariants

```
int a[10];
/*@
  loop invariant 0 <= i <= 10;
  loop invariant \forall integer j; 0 <= j < i ==> a[j] == j;
  loop assigns i, a[0 .. i-1];
*/
for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) a[i] = i;
```

- loop invariants are true for each loop step: on first entry, and must be preserved, except for goto, break, continue.
- Works for for, while, do ... while loops.
- loop assigns is special case of invariant stating which memory locations might be modified by the loop.
- Particularly useful for **deductive verification**.

Communication between plug-ins

Each plug-in can provide a validity status to any ACSL property and/or generate ACSL annotations. This lets ACSL annotations play an important role in the communication between plug-ins (in our case: **EVA** for abstract interpretation and **wp** for deductive verification).

Annotations

In addition to function specifications, ACSL offers the possibility of writing annotations in the code, in the form of assertions, properties that must be true at a given point.

An `assert` is sometimes inserted by Frama-C, but we can also insert it manually.

Meaning of circles

- Blue circle: no verification has been attempted
- Green bullet: specification is ensured by the program (but wp analysis does not guarantee absence of runtime errors)
- Green+brown bullet: proof has been produced but it can depend on some properties that have not been verified.
- Orange bullet: no prover could determine if the property is verified. There are three possible reasons:
 - the prover did not have enough information,
 - the prover did not have enough time to compute the proof and encountered a timeout
 - the property does not hold.
- Green+blue bullet: it is an axiom; considered as being true.

Why does it not work?

Blanchard [Bla19]: When automatic solvers cannot ensure that our properties are verified, it is sometimes hard to understand why. Indeed, provers are generally not able to answer something other than “yes”, “no” or “unknown”, they are not able to extract the reason of a “no” or an “unknown”. There exist tools that can explore a proof tree to extract this type of information, currently Frama-C does not provide such a tool.

Resources

The following can happen: you add an assert A which Frama-C is able to prove. Then you add an assertion B and suddenly, Frama-C is not able to prove A anymore. This non-monotonicity seems strange at first.

It is a problem of resources: Frama-C devotes a specified time to proving the assertions, and in the presence of B , it may be that A does not get enough time.

Can be controlled with `-wp-timeout`.

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- Call frama-c (with or without GUI) with option `-val` for **value analysis**.
- Purposes:
 - get familiar with foreign code;
 - produce documentation automatically (not treated here);
 - **search for bugs**;
 - **guarantee the absence of bugs**.

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So far, loss of information for two reasons:

- **Set** of values for each program point because the point may be passed more than once;
- non-relational domain.

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Any bigger set is **approximated** by an **interval with periodicity information**:

$$[l..u], r\%m$$

is the set of values comprised between l and u that are congruent to r modulo m . May seem an ad-hoc choice but may be quite useful in practice in particular when talking about memory addresses and arrays.

slevel and ulevel

- The `-ulevel n` option (syntactic unrolling) unrolls any loop in the analysed program `n` times, which is actually visible in the Frama-C GUI middle window containing the pre-processed version of the source code.

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In practice the effects of `slevel` and `ulevel` may be similar, see TP.

Abstract Interpretation and Memory Access

Errors due to illegal memory access (e.g. using a too high index for an array) are quite common, yet often relatively easy to detect, as the math involved in calculating indices is usually not highly complex. It gives a use case par excellence for abstraction interpretation. See TP.

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How to mechanize?

Weakest precondition calculus

Developed by Dijkstra. Tells us how to transform Q into P , given C (backward reasoning). The **weakest precondition** for obtaining Q is computed.

Some examples (syntax of our toy language):

stm	$wp(stm, Q)$
$x = E$	$Q[x := E]$
$S T$	$wp(S, wp(T, Q))$
$\text{if } (expr > 0) \{ S \} \text{ else } \{ T \}$	$expr > 0 \longrightarrow wp(S, Q) \wedge$ $expr \leq 0 \longrightarrow wp(T, Q)$
...	...

Here $Q[x := E]$ denotes substitution of x by E in Q .

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Example: $Q \equiv (x == 2 \wedge y == 2)$ and $E \equiv y$. The weakest precondition for having Q after the assignment $x = y$ is indeed

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WP plugin

- **Hoare-logic** based plugin, developed at CEA List
- Proof of **semantic** properties of the program
- **Modular** verification (function by function)
- Input: a program and its specification in ACSL
- WP generates verification conditions (VCs)
- Relies on automatic theorem provers to discharge the VCs: Alt-Ergo, Simplify, Z3, Yices, CVC3, CVC4 ...
- WP manual at <http://frama-c.com/wp.html>
- If all VCs are proved, the program respects the given specification.

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Finding the right preconditions for a function is sometimes hard.

Danger: building a specification that would contain the same bugs currently existing in the source code.

Good practice: working with another person, one for the code and one for the specification.

Semantic Correctness

Showing that a program computes what it is supposed to:

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Goes beyond showing freedom from runtime errors, but actually the two are orthogonal (although not independent): a program can be free from runtime errors yet “incorrect”, and a program can be correct **relative** to freedom from runtime errors (e.g. “the correct result is computed if there is no overflow error”).

Semantic Correctness (2)

The previous program is somewhat trivial, the code and the ensures clauses are very close together and the former is even simpler than the latter.

Another example . . .

Semantic Correctness (3)

```
/*@
  ensures (*ps)*a + (*pt)*b == \result;
*/
int main(int a, int b, int* ps, int* pt)
{
  int x = a, y = b;
  int s = 1, t = 0, u = 0, v = 1;
  while(y > 0) {
    int r = x % y;
    int q = x / y;
    x = y;
    y = r;
    int w = u;
    u = s - u * q;
    s = w;
    w = v;
    v = t - v * q;
    t = w;
  }
  *ps = s; *pt = t;
  return x;
}
```

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Its correctness relies on the invariant

$$s \cdot a + t \cdot b = x \quad \wedge \quad u \cdot a + v \cdot b = y$$

See TP.

Pointers

Pointers are important in C but the main source of critical bugs.

```
/*@  
ensures *a == \old(*b) && *b == \old(*a);  
*/  
void swap(int* a, int* b){  
int tmp = *a;  
*a = *b;  
*b = tmp;  
}  
  
int main(){  
int a = 42;  
int b = 37;  
swap(&a, &b);  
return 0;  
}
```

Works fine ...

Analysis of swap

```
● /*@ ensures *\old(a) ≡ \old(*b) ∧ *\old(b) ≡ \old(*a); */
void swap(int *a, int *b)
{
    int tmp = *a;
    *a = *b;
    *b = tmp;
    return;
}

int main(void)
{
    int __retres;
    int a = 42;
    int b = 37;
    swap(&a, &b);
    __retres = 0;
    return __retres;
}
```

Observe $\backslash\text{old}(*a)$ vs. $*\backslash\text{old}(a)$.

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*/  
void swap(int* a, int* b)  
...
```

Analysis of swap for Runtime Errors

```

1  /*@ requires \valid(a) ^ \valid(b);
2     ensures *\old(a) == \old(*b) ^ *\old(b) == \old(*a);
3     */
4  void swap(int *a, int *b)
5  {
6     /*@ assert rte: mem_access: \valid_read(a); */
7     int tmp = *a;
8     /*@ assert rte: mem_access: \valid(a); */
9     /*@ assert rte: mem_access: \valid_read(b); */
10    *a = *b;
11    /*@ assert rte: mem_access: \valid(b); */
12    *b = tmp;
13    return;
14 }
15
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Side Effects of Functions with Pointers

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}
```

Assertion should be proven both times, right?

Analysis of swap with Potential Side Effects

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Declaring Absence of Side Effects for swap

```
int h = 10;
/*@
requires \valid(a) && \valid(b);
assigns *a, *b;
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Analysis of swap: Provably no Side Effects

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logic and axiomatic

To link a function definition (algorithm) to the math behind it, `logic` and `axiomatic` are useful:

```
axiomatic Euclid {  
  logic integer gcd(integer a, integer b);  
  axiom gcd_zero: \forall integer a; gcd(a, 0) == a ;  
  axiom gcd_rem:  \forall integer a, b; b != 0 ==>  
                  (gcd(a, b) == gcd(b, a % b)) ;  
}
```

- `axiomatic` states that the enclosed logic formulas are assumed to be always true. This allows us to inject some mathematical wisdom, but of course it must be done carefully!
- `logic` starts a definition that can only be used in specifications. Overflow is not an issue here!

See TP

Proving Incorrect Assertions

Consider:

```
/*@  
requires a < 0 && a > 0;  
ensures \false;  
*/  
void foo(int a){  
    int x = 3;  
    //@assert x==2;  
}  
  
void main(){  
    int x = 3;  
    //@assert x==2;  
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}
```

Will the postconditions and assertions be proven?

Proving Incorrect Assertions (2)

With a false precondition, anything can be proven!

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   ensures \false; */
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    return;
}
```

Loop invariants revisited

```
int a[10];
/*@
  loop invariant 0 <= i <= 10;
  loop invariant \forall integer j; 0 <= j < i ==> a[j] == j;
  loop assigns i, a[0 .. ???];
*/
for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) a[i] = i;
```

- loop invariants are true for each loop step: on first entry, and must be preserved, except for goto, break, continue.
- Works for for, while, do ... while loops.
- loop assigns is special case of invariant stating which memory locations might be modified by the loop. It is useful for the same reasons as for functions: a loop might have “side effects”.
- Particularly useful for **deductive verification**.

Loop invariants (2)

Discussion of example:

- Bounds of the index: $i \leq 10$ although test is $i < 10$.
- Second invariant states that the $i - 1$ first cells of the array have been assigned. Why true at beginning?
- Modification: Assuming that i and “certain” cells of the array have been modified in the previous iteration, “certain” cells will have been modified in the next iteration (which will have to be expressed relative to the new value of i).
TP: Make this more precise!

Loop variants

- Termination can be ensured through the special clause `loop variant`.
- Requires an integer expression that strictly decreases during a loop step while remaining positive.
- For the previous example: TP exercise!

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Example: $(A \wedge B) \vee (\neg A \wedge C)$ is satisfiable so SAT-solver says ok, but for $A = x > 2, B = x < 0, C = x \geq 4$, in the *arithmetic theory* $(A \wedge B) \vee (\neg A \wedge C)$ is not satisfiable, so SMT-solver will say no.

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