

Automata for Real-time Systems

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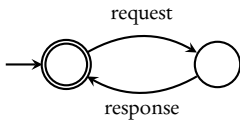
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Why do this course?

Automata (*Finite State Machines*) are **good abstractions** of many real systems

hardware circuits, communication protocols, biological processes, . . .

Automata can model many **properties** of systems



every request is followed by a response

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Automaton \mathcal{A}

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Model-checking



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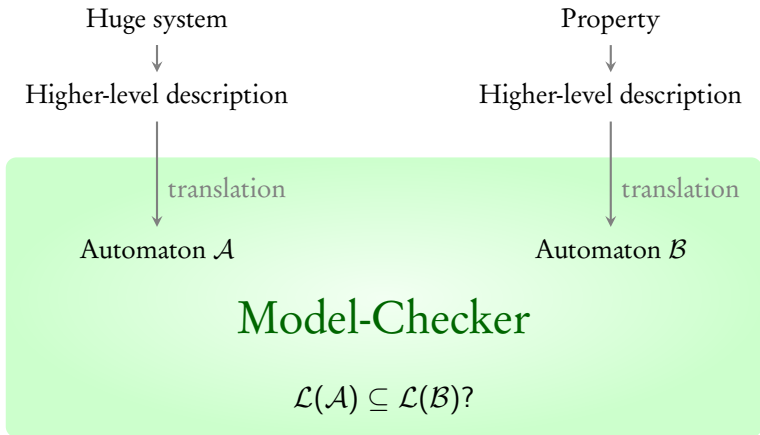
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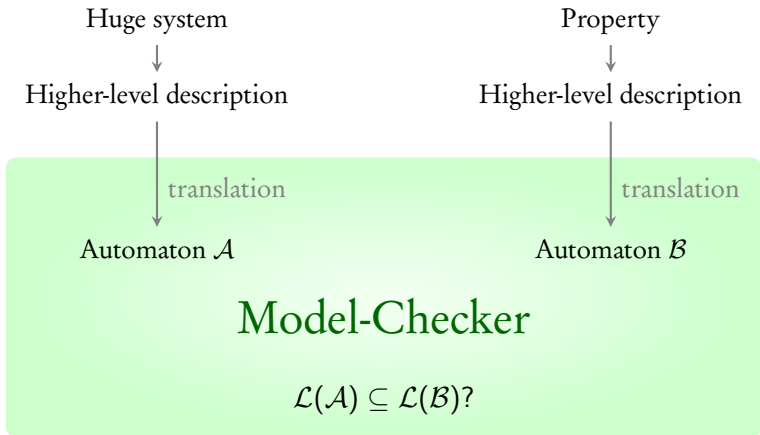
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Turing Awards: Clarke, Emerson, Sifakis and Pnueli

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Our course: Automata for **real-time** systems



Picture credits: F. Herbreteau

pacemaker, vehicle control systems, air traffic controllers, . . .

Timed Automata

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Some model-checkers: UPPAAL, KRONOS, RED, ...

Goals of our course

- ▶ Understand **language theoretic** properties of timed automata
- ▶ Study **algorithms** used in model-checkers
- ▶ Examine selected **case-studies**

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this course is a good starting point for model-checking real-time systems

Lecture 1:

Timed languages and timed automata

Σ : alphabet $\{a, b\}$

Σ^* : words $\{\varepsilon, a, b, aa, ab, ba, bb, aab, \dots\}$

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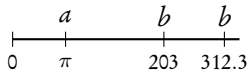
Finite automata, pushdown automata, Turing machines, ...

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$T\Sigma^*$: timed words



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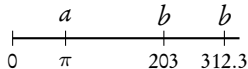
$(abb; \pi, 203, 312.3)$

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(ω, τ)
Word \leftarrow \rightarrow Time sequence

$$\omega = a_1 \dots a_n$$

$$a_i \in \Sigma$$

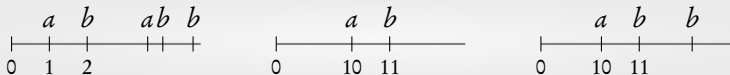
$$\tau = \tau_1 \dots \tau_n$$

$$\tau_i \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$$

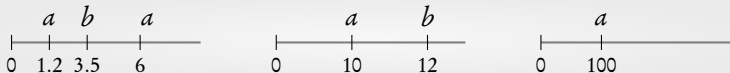
$$\tau_1 \leq \dots \leq \tau_n$$

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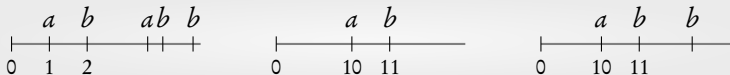


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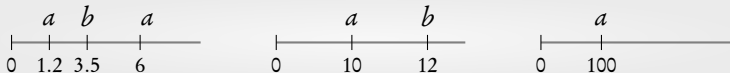


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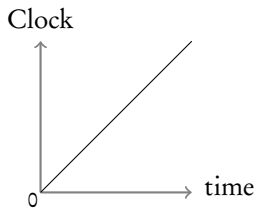


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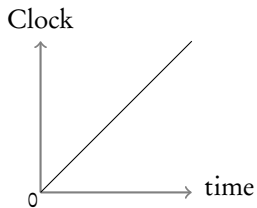


Timed automata

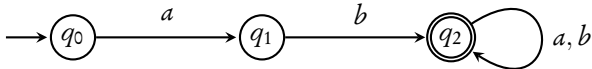
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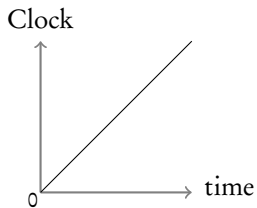
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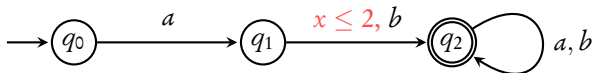
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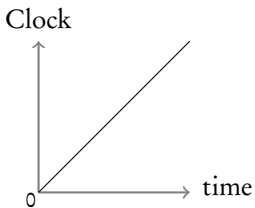
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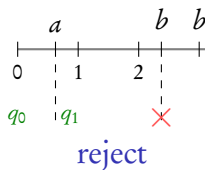
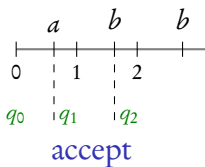
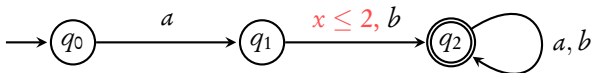
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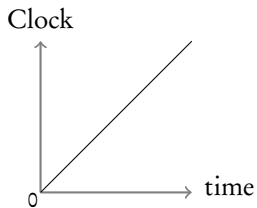
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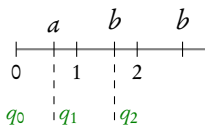
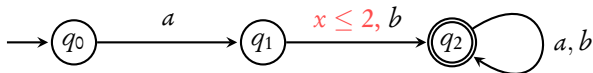


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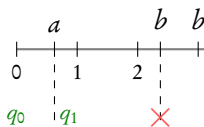
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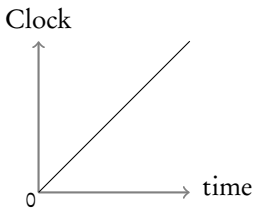


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reject

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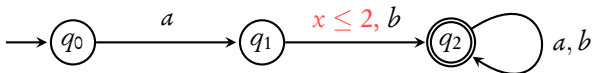


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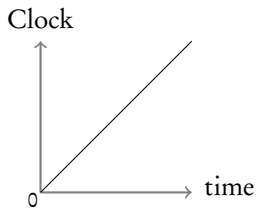
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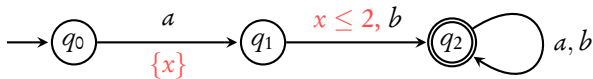
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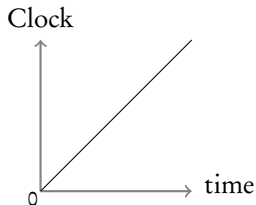
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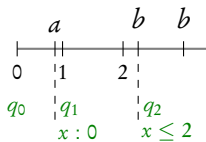
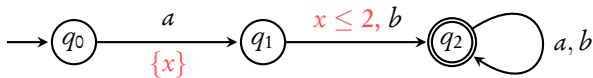
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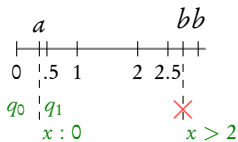
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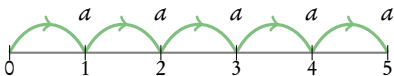
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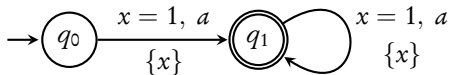
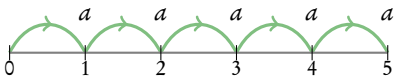
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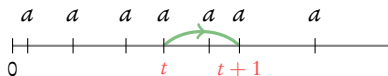
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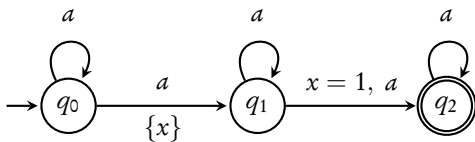
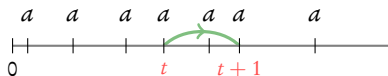
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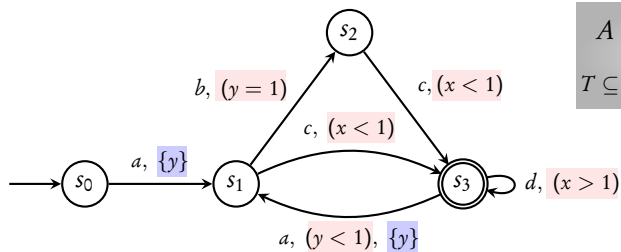
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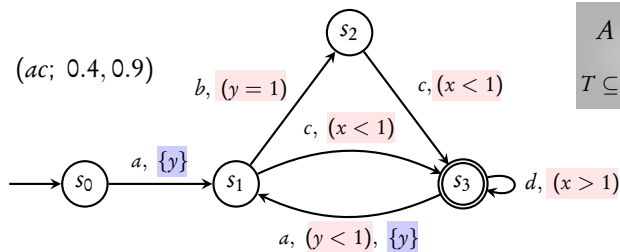


Three **mechanisms** to exploit:

- ▶ **Reset**: to **start** measuring time
- ▶ **Guard**: to **impose** time constraint on action
- ▶ **Non-determinism**: for **existential** time constraints

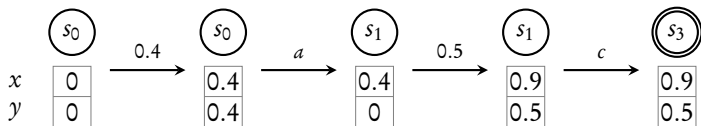


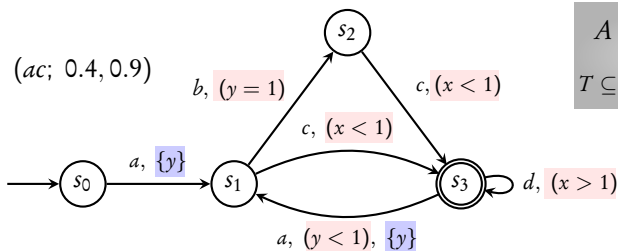
$A = (Q, \Sigma, X, T, Q_0, F)$
 $T \subseteq Q \times \Sigma \times \text{guard} \times \text{reset} \times Q$



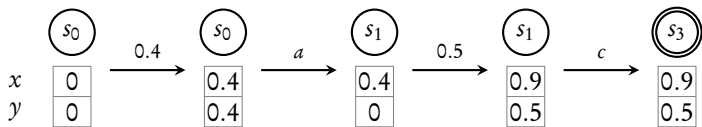
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Run of A over $(a_1 a_2 \dots a_k; \tau_1 \tau_2 \dots \tau_k)$

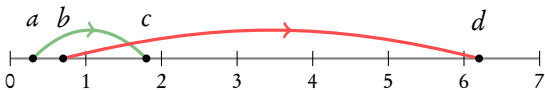
$$\delta_i := \tau_i - \tau_{i-1}; \tau_0 := 0$$

$$(q_0, v_0) \xrightarrow{\delta_1} (q_0, v_0 + \delta_1) \xrightarrow{a_1} (q_1, v_1) \xrightarrow{\delta_2} (q_1, v_1 + \delta_2) \dots \xrightarrow{a_k} (q_k, v_k)$$

$(\omega, \tau) \in \mathcal{L}(A)$ if A has an **accepting** run over (ω, τ)

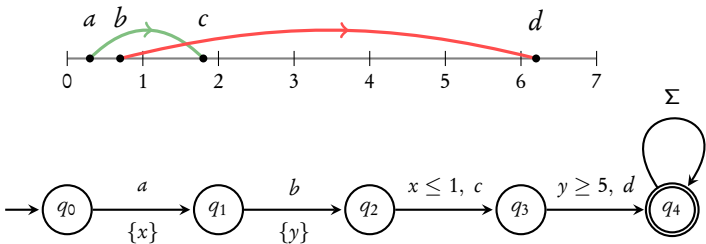
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Interleaving distances



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Examples

Formal definition

Runs