

TIMED AUTOMATA

LECTURE 25

TODAY'S LECTURE

- Reachability problem for Updatable Timed Automata

Semantics of VTA:

When does VTA \mathcal{A} accept

a timed word $(a_1, t_1) (a_2, t_2) \dots (a_n, t_n)$?

Valuations: $v: X \mapsto \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$

Operations on valuations:

$$v + \delta$$

$up(v)$ \leftarrow New operation

Example: Suppose $X = \{x, y, z\}$

up is:

$$\begin{aligned}x &:= x + 2 \\y &:= z - 5 \\z &:= x\end{aligned}$$

$$v_1 = \begin{matrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 2 \\ 7.2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$up(v_1) = \begin{bmatrix} 14 \\ 2.2 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 2.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$up(v_2)$ not defined since $y := z - 5$ results in a negative value

$$\text{up}(v)(x) = \begin{cases} v(y) + d & \text{if } x := y + d \text{ and } v(y) + d \geq 0 \\ c & \text{if } x := c, c \geq 0 \\ \text{undefined} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Run of a UTA on a timed word:

$w: (a_1, t_1) (a_2, t_2) \dots (a_n, t_n)$

Run: $(q_0, v_0) \longrightarrow (q_1, v_1) \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow (q_n, t_n)$

if: $\exists q_i \xrightarrow[\text{up}_i]{a_i, g_i} q_{i+1}$

s.t. $v_i + \overbrace{(t_{i+1} - t_i)}^{\delta_i} \models g_i$

$\text{up}_i(v_i + \delta_i)$ is defined

$v_{i+1} = \text{up}_i(v_i + \delta_i)$

Accepting run: q_n is accepting

Emptiness problem:

- Given UTA \mathcal{A} , is language of \mathcal{A} empty?

Theorem: Emptiness problem is undecidable for UTA.

Proof of undecidability:

Reducing emptiness problem of 2-counter machines.

2-Counter Machines

$(Q, q_0, \Sigma, \{c, d\}, \Delta)$

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Counters

Operations on counters:

- 1) increment $c++$, $d++$
- 2) decrement $c--$, $d--$
- 3) zero test $c=0$, $d=0$?

Ex. of a transition: $q \xrightarrow[c++]^{a, d=0} q'$

- Counter values are always ≥ 0

- A transition with a decrement $c--$ can be taken only when $c \geq 1$

Simulating a 2-counter machine using a VTA:

Run of the counter machine:

$$(q_0, 0, 0) \longrightarrow (q_1, 1, 0) \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow (q_i, c_i, d_i) \longrightarrow \dots$$

2-counter machine A \longrightarrow 3-clock VTA B

clocks $\{x, y, z\}$

$$q \xrightarrow{c++} q' \quad \longrightarrow \quad q \xrightarrow[\substack{z=0? \\ x := x+1}]{z=0?} q'$$

$$q \xrightarrow{d--} q' \quad \longrightarrow \quad q \xrightarrow[\substack{y:=y-1}]{z=0?} q'$$

$$q \xrightarrow{c==0} q' \quad \longrightarrow \quad q \xrightarrow{z=0 \wedge x=0?} q'$$

- There is **zero time elapse** in VTA B, ensured by $z=0$.

Clock x gives the value of counter c ,
Clock y counter d

- For every run of 2-counter machine; there is a zero-time run of VTA:

$$(q_0, x=0, y=0, z=0) \longrightarrow (q_1, x=c_1, y=d_1, z=0) \longrightarrow \dots \sim$$

decidable subclasses:

General idea to show decidability: **Region automaton**

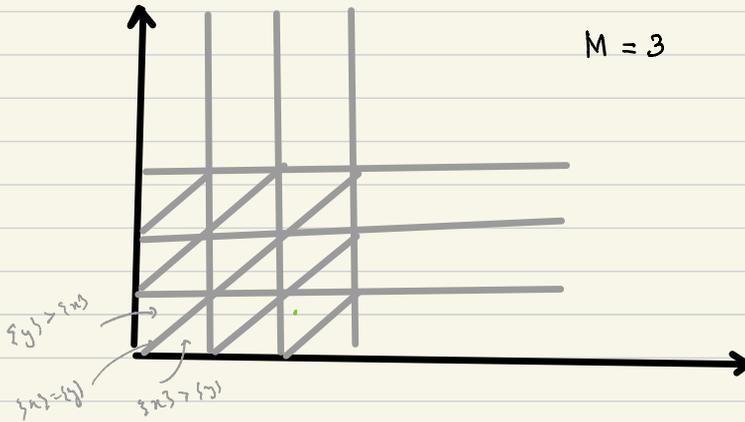
Recall **region equivalence**: for **diagonal-free**

$v \equiv_M v'$ if 1) $\lfloor v(x) \rfloor = \lfloor v'(x) \rfloor$ or $v(x), v'(x) > M$

2) $\{v(x)\} = 0$ iff $\{v'(x)\} = 0 \quad \forall x: v(x) \leq M$

3) $\{v(x)\} \leq \{v(y)\} \Leftrightarrow \{v'(x)\} \leq \{v'(y)\} \quad \forall x, y: v(x), v(y) \leq M$

M: biggest constant appearing in the automaton.



$v \equiv_M v'$ does not work in the presence of diagonal constraints in guards. Add the following conditions in the presence of diagonals:

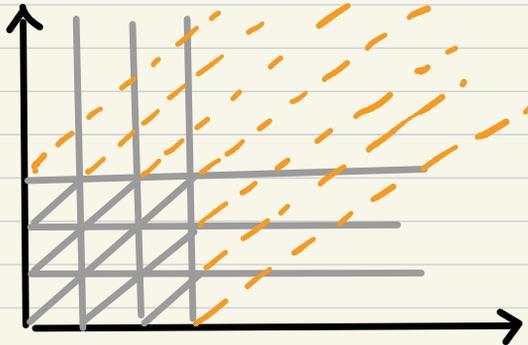
$$4) \lfloor v(x) - v(y) \rfloor = \lfloor v'(x) - v'(y) \rfloor \text{ or}$$

$$v(x) - v(y), v'(x) - v'(y) \text{ are both } > M \text{ or } < -M$$

$$5) \sum \{v(x) - v(y)\} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \sum \{v'(x) - v'(y)\} = 0$$

$$\forall x, y \text{ s.t. } -M \leq v(x) - v(y) \leq M$$

$M=3$



orange lines
in the presence
of diagonals

- Call the equivalence given by the 5 conditions as $v \equiv_M^d v'$

The region equivalences $v \equiv_M^d v'$ and $v \equiv_M v'$

satisfy the following conditions:

Lemma 1: $v \equiv v'$ $\Rightarrow \forall \delta \geq 0 \exists \delta' \geq 0$ s.t. $v + \delta \equiv v' + \delta'$

Lemma 2: $v \equiv_M v'$ $\Rightarrow v$ and v' satisfy the same set of diagonal-free guards having constant $\leq M$

$v \equiv_M^d v'$ $\Rightarrow v$ and v' satisfy the same set of diagonal-free and diagonal guards having constant $\leq M$

Lemma 3: $v \equiv v'$ $\Rightarrow [R]v \equiv [R]v'$

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Reset of R

We now want the region-equivalence to work when resets are replaced with updates.

Goal: For what subclasses of updates will the region equivalence work?

$v \equiv v' \Rightarrow \text{up}(v) \equiv \text{up}(v')$

Condition 3: For all pairs ^{both} different from 'x', the condition holds due to $v \equiv_M v'$.

$$up(v)(x) = c$$

$$\therefore \{up(v)(x)\} = 0$$

$$\{up(v')(x)\} = 0$$

i) $\therefore \{up(v)(x)\} - \{up(v)(z)\} = -\{v(z)\} \leq 0$ always

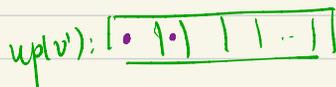
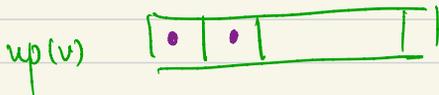
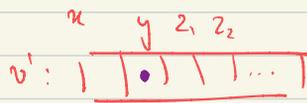
ii) $\{up(v')(x)\} - \{up(v')(z)\} = -\{v'(z)\} \leq 0$

iii) $\{up(v)(z)\} - \{up(v)(x)\} = \{v(z)\} \leq 0$

$\{up(v')(z)\} - \{up(v')(x)\} = \{v'(z)\} \leq 0$

Use the fact that $\{v(z)\} = 0$ iff $\{v'(z)\} = 0$.

ii) $x := y$



$$\begin{aligned}
 x &:= c \\
 x &:= y \\
 +
 \end{aligned}$$

Subclass 2: $x := x + 1$, diagonal-free guards

Let M be max constant occurring among all guards in the automaton.

Problem: Show that region-equivalence \equiv_M satisfies Lemma 3 with resets replaced with updates of the above form.

To show: $v \equiv_M v' \Rightarrow \text{up}(v) \equiv_M \text{up}(v')$



$$\{ \text{up}(v)(x) \} = \{ v(x) \}$$

$$\{ \text{up}(v')(x) \} = \{ v'(x) \}$$

$$\lfloor \text{up}(v)(x) \rfloor = \lfloor v(x) \rfloor + 1$$

$$\lfloor \text{up}(v')(x) \rfloor = \lfloor v'(x) \rfloor + 1$$

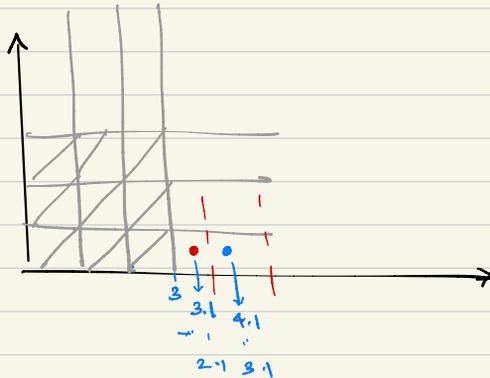
Problem: Consider subclass with $x_i = x_{i-1}$, diagonal-free guards.

Is there an 'M', in general, for which \equiv_M satisfies Lemma 3?

Can we give an M s.t. $v \equiv_M v' \Rightarrow \text{up}(v) \equiv_M \text{up}(v')$

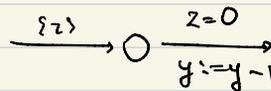
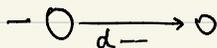
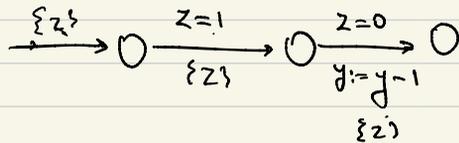
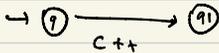
for decrement updates.

No.



Idea of undecidability of this subclass:

x, y, z



When $z=0$, value of x gives counter 'c'
 y gives counter 'd'

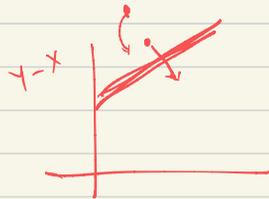
Summary:

- Emptiness problem for UTA
- Undecidable
- Some subclasses with decidability. Proof based on regions
- More decidable classes in the paper:

Bouyer et al: Updatable Timed Automata.

Exercise:

1. $x := c, x := y$, guards can include diagonals → decidable
2. $x := c, x := y$
 $x := x + 1$ diagonals → undecidable



Motivation for updates:

preemptive scheduling

convenient models for scheduling problems.