

# *Real-Time Systems*

## *Lecture 03: Duration Calculus I*

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### *Contents & Goals*

#### **Last Lecture:**

- Model of timed behaviour: state variables and their interpretation
- First order predicate-logic for requirements and system properties

#### **This Lecture:**

- **Educational Objectives:** Capabilities for following tasks/questions.
  - Read (and at best also write) Duration Calculus formulae.
- **Content:**
  - Classes of requirements (safety, liveness, etc.)
  - Duration Calculus:  
Assertions, Terms, Formulae, Abbreviations, Examples

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## Recall: Correctness

### Recall: Correctness

- Let 'Req' be a **requirement**,
- 'Des' be a **design**, and
- 'Impl' be an **implementation**.

Recall: each is a set of evolutions, i.e. a subset of  $(\text{Time} \rightarrow \times_{i=1}^n \mathcal{D}(\text{obs}_i))$ , described in any form.

We say

- 'Des' is a **correct design** (wrt. 'Req') if and only if

$$\text{Des} \subseteq \text{Req}.$$

- 'Impl' is a **correct implementation** (wrt. 'Des' (or 'Req')) if and only if

$$\text{Impl} \subseteq \text{Des} \quad (\text{or } \text{Impl} \subseteq \text{Req})$$

If 'Req' and 'Des' are described by formulae of first-order predicate logic, proving the design correct amounts to proving that  $\text{Des} \implies \text{Req}$  is valid.

## Classes of Timed Properties

### Safety Properties

- A **safety property** states that **something bad must never happen** [Lamport].

$$\begin{array}{l} \forall x \in \mathbb{N} : x \geq 0 \\ \forall x \in \mathbb{N} : x \geq 0 \\ \forall x \in \mathbb{N} \bullet x \geq 0 \end{array}$$

- Example: train inside level crossing with gates open.

$$C, \mathcal{D}(C) = \{0, 1\}$$

- More general, assume observable  $C : \text{Time} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  where  $C(t) = 1$  represents a critical system state at time  $t$ .

Then

or "bad"

$$\forall t \in \text{Time} \bullet \neg C(t)$$

is a safety property.

- In general, a safety property is characterised as a property that can be **falsified** in bounded time.
- But safety is not everything...

## Liveness Properties

- The simplest form of a **liveness property** states that **something good eventually does happen**.
- Example: gates open for road traffic.
- More general, assume observable  $G : \text{Time} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  where  $G(t) = 1$  represents a good system state at time  $t$ .

Then

$$\exists t \in \text{Time} \bullet G(t)$$

is a liveness property.

- Note: not falsified in finite time.
- With real-time, liveness is too weak...

## Bounded Response Properties

- A **bounded response property** states that the desired reaction on an input occurs in time interval  $[b, e]$ .
- Example: from request to secure level crossing to gates closed.
- More general, re-consider good thing  $G : \text{Time} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  and request  $R : \text{Time} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ .

Then

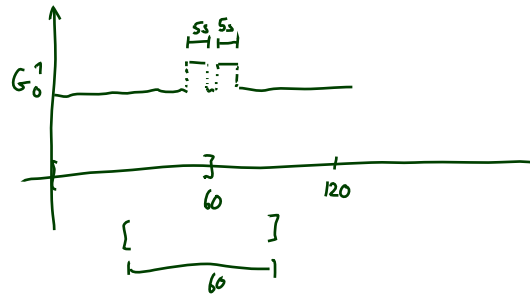
$$\forall t_1 \in \text{Time} \bullet (R(t_1) \implies \exists t_2 \in [t_1 + \overset{b}{\cancel{0}}, t_1 + \overset{e}{\cancel{1}}] \bullet G(t_2))$$

is a bounded liveness property.

- This property can again be falsified in finite time.
- With gas burners, this is still not everything...

## Duration Properties

- A **duration property** states that for observation interval  $[b, e]$  characterised by a condition  $A(b, e)$  the **accumulated time** in which the system is in a certain critical state has an upper bound  $u(b, e)$ .
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- More general, re-consider critical thing  $C : \text{Time} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ .

Then

$$\forall b, e \in \text{Time} \bullet \left( \underbrace{A(b, e)} \implies \int_b^e \underbrace{C(t)} dt \leq \underbrace{u(b, e)} \right)$$

is a duration property.

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gas burner:

$$A(b, e) := e - b \geq 60$$

$$u(b, e) := \frac{e-b}{20} - \frac{1}{20}(e-b)$$

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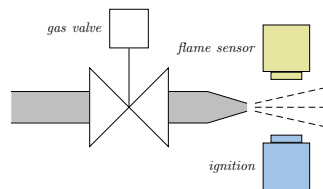
# Duration Calculus

## Duration Calculus: Preview

- Duration Calculus is an **interval logic**.
- Formulae are evaluated in an (**implicitly given**) interval.

Back to our gas burner:

- $G, F, I, H : \text{Time} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$
- Define  $L : \text{Time} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  as  $G \wedge \neg F$ .



Strangest operators:

- **almost everywhere** — Example:  $\llbracket G \rrbracket$   
(Holds in a given interval  $[b, e]$  iff the gas valve is open almost everywhere.)
- **chop** — Example:  $(\llbracket \neg I \rrbracket ; \llbracket I \rrbracket ; \llbracket \neg I \rrbracket) \implies \ell \geq 1$   
(Ignition phases last at least one time unit.)
- **integral** — Example:  $\ell \geq 60 \implies \int L \leq \frac{\ell}{20}$   
(At most 5% leakage time within intervals of at least 60 time units.)

## Duration Calculus: Overview

We will introduce three (or five) syntactical “levels”:

(i) **Symbols:**

$p, q$ ,  $f, g$ ,  $true, false, =, <, >, \leq, \geq$ ,  $x, y, z$ ,  $X, Y, Z$ ,  $d$

(ii) **State Assertions:**

$P ::= 0 \mid 1 \mid X = d \mid \neg P_1 \mid P_1 \wedge P_2$

(iii) **Terms:**

$\theta ::= x \mid \ell \mid fP \mid f(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n)$

(iv) **Formulae:**

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(v) **Abbreviations:**

$[\ ]$ ,  $[P]$ ,  $[P]^t$ ,  $[P]^{\leq t}$ ,  $\diamond F$ ,  $\square F$

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## Symbols: Syntax

- $f, g$ : **function symbols**, each with arity  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .

Called **constant** if  $n = 0$ .

Assume: constants  $0, 1, \dots \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ; binary '+' and '.'; ternary symbol  $\forall$

- $p, q$ : **predicate symbols**, also with arity.

Assume: constants  $true, false$ ; binary  $=, <, >, \leq, \geq$ .

- $x, y, z \in \text{GVar}$ : **global variables**.

- $X, Y, Z \in \text{Obs}$ : **state variables** or **observables**, each of a data type  $\mathcal{D}$  (or  $\mathcal{D}(X), \mathcal{D}(Y), \mathcal{D}(Z)$  to be precise).

Called **boolean observable** if data type is  $\{0, 1\}$ .

e.g.  $\mathcal{T}$   
 $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{T}) = \{\text{red}, \text{green}, \text{yellow}\}$

- $d$ : **elements** taken from data types  $\mathcal{D}$  of observables.

e.g.  $\text{red}$   
 $\text{green}$   
 $\text{yellow}$

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## Symbols: Semantics

- **Semantical domains** are
  - the **truth values**  $\mathbb{B} = \{tt, ff\}$ ,
  - the **real numbers**  $\mathbb{R}$ ,
  - **time** Time,  
(mostly Time =  $\mathbb{R}_0^+$  (continuous), exception Time =  $\mathbb{N}_0$  (discrete time))
  - and **data types**  $\mathcal{D}$ .
- The semantics of an  $n$ -ary **function symbol**  $f$  is a (mathematical) function from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ , denoted  $\hat{f}$ , i.e.

$$\hat{f} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}.$$

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- For constants (arity  $n = 0$ ) we have  $\hat{f} \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\hat{p} \in \mathbb{B}$ .

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## Symbols: Examples

- The **semantics** of the function and predicate symbols **assumed above** is fixed throughout the lecture:

- $\hat{true} = tt$ ,  $\hat{false} = ff$
- $\hat{0} \in \mathbb{R}$  is the (real) number **zero**, etc.
- $\hat{+} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is the **addition** of real numbers, etc.
- $\hat{=}$  :  $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$  is the **equality** relation on real numbers,
- $\hat{<}$  :  $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$  is the **less-than** relation on real numbers, etc.

$\hat{+} := +$   
math-  
addition  
fun.

$\hat{f}$   
 $\downarrow, n=3$

$$\hat{f} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

my choice: maximum

$$(a, b, c) \mapsto \begin{cases} a & \text{if } a \geq b \text{ and } a \geq c \\ b & \text{if } b \geq a \text{ and } b \geq c \\ c & \text{if } c \geq a \text{ and } c \geq b \end{cases}$$

$$\hat{f} := \text{or } \max(a, b, c)$$

- "Since the semantics is the expected one, we shall often simply use the symbols  $0, 1, +, \cdot, =, <$  when we mean their semantics  $\hat{0}, \hat{1}, \hat{+}, \hat{\cdot}, \hat{=}, \hat{<}$ ."

your choice maybe: average

$$(a, b, c) \mapsto \frac{a+b+c}{3}$$

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## Symbols: Semantics

- The semantics of a **global variable** is not fixed (throughout the lecture) but given by a **valuation**, i.e. a mapping

$$\mathcal{V} : \text{GVar} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

assigning each global variable  $x \in \text{GVar}$  a real number  $\mathcal{V}(x) \in \mathbb{R}$ .

We use  $\text{Val}$  to denote the set of all valuations, i.e.  $\text{Val} = (\text{GVar} \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$ .

Global variables are though **fixed over time** in system evolutions.

- The semantics of a **state variable** is **time-dependent**.

It is given by an interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$ , i.e. a mapping

$$\mathcal{I} : \text{Obs} \rightarrow (\text{Time} \rightarrow \mathcal{D})$$

assigning each state variable  $X \in \text{Obs}$  a function

$$\mathcal{I}(X) : \text{Time} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(X)$$

such that  $\mathcal{I}(X)(t) \in \mathcal{D}(X)$  denotes the value that  $X$  has at time  $t \in \text{Time}$ .

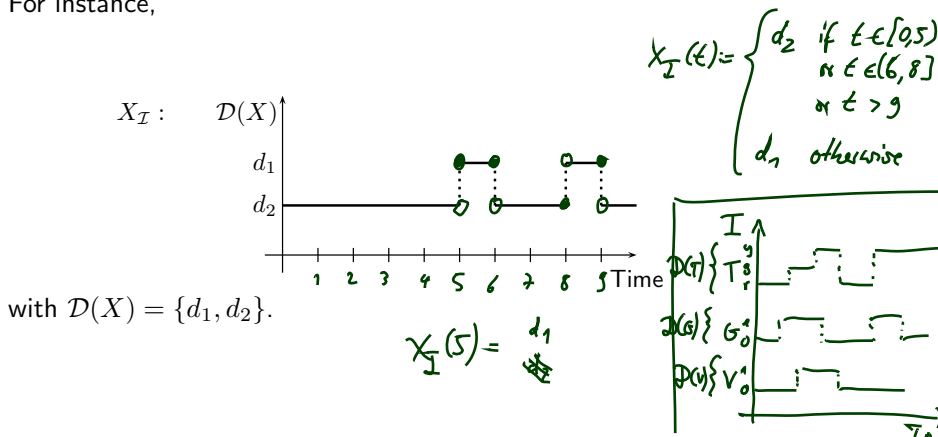
$$\mathcal{I}(T) : \text{Time} \rightarrow \{\text{red, green, yellow}\}$$

$$\mathcal{I}(T)(13, 27) = \text{red}$$

## Symbols: Representing State Variables

- For convenience, we shall abbreviate  $\mathcal{I}(X)$  to  $X_{\mathcal{I}} : \text{Time} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(X)$  e.g.  $\frac{T}{\mathcal{I}}$
- An **interpretation** (of a state variable) can be displayed in form of a **timing diagram**. and defined

For instance,



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## State Assertions: Syntax

- The set of **state assertions** is defined by the following grammar:

$P ::= 0 \mid 1 \mid X = d \mid \neg P_1 \mid P_1 \wedge P_2$

*Handwritten annotations:*  
 - An arrow points from "the constant function symbol" to the '0' and '1' in the grammar.  
 - An arrow points from "∈ D(X)" to the 'd' in 'X = d'.  
 - An arrow points from "∈ D(X)" to the 'P<sub>1</sub>' in '¬ P<sub>1</sub>'.  
 - The expression '(P<sub>1</sub>, P<sub>2</sub>)' is written to the right of the grammar.

with  $d \in \mathcal{D}(X)$ .

We shall use  $P, Q, R$  to denote state assertions.

*Handwritten abbreviations:*  $\llbracket X, d \rrbracket, X^d, X \heartsuit d$

- Abbreviations:**

- We shall write  $X$  instead of  $\llbracket X = 1 \rrbracket$  if  $\mathcal{D}(X) = \{0, 1\}$ .
- Define  $\vee, \implies, \iff$  as usual.

## State Assertions: Semantics

- Given an evolution  $\mathcal{I}$ .
- The **semantics** of **state assertion**  $P$  is a function

$$\mathcal{I}[[P]] : \text{Time} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$$

i.e.  $\mathcal{I}[[P]](t)$  denotes the truth value of  $P$  at time  $t \in \text{Time}$ .

- The value is defined **inductively** on the structure of  $P$ :

$$\mathcal{I}[[0]](t) = \hat{0} \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \hat{0} = 0 \text{ --- math.}$$

$$\mathcal{I}[[1]](t) = \hat{1} = 1 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\mathcal{I}[[X = d]](t) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } X_{\mathcal{I}}(t) = d \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

*the same* (handwritten note pointing from the  $\hat{1}$  in the previous equation to the  $1$  in the numerator of the case above)

$$\mathcal{I}[[\neg P_1]](t) = 1 - \mathcal{I}[[P_1]](t)$$

$$\mathcal{I}[[P_1 \wedge P_2]](t) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \mathcal{I}[[P_1]](t) = \mathcal{I}[[P_2]](t) = 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

## State Assertions: Notes *by def on prev. slide*

- $\mathcal{I}[[X]](t) = \mathcal{I}[[X = 1]](t) = \mathcal{I}(X)(t) = X_{\mathcal{I}}(t)$ , if  $X$  boolean, i.e.  $\mathcal{D}(X) = \{0, 1\}$   
*abbrev.* (handwritten note under  $\mathcal{I}[[X]](t)$ )
- $\mathcal{I}[[P]]$  is also called **interpretation** of  $P$ .  
*abbrev.* (handwritten note under  $\mathcal{I}[[P]]$ )

We shall write  $P_{\mathcal{I}}$  for it.

- Here we prefer 0 and 1 as boolean values (instead of tt and ff) — for reasons that will become clear immediately.

## State Assertions: Example

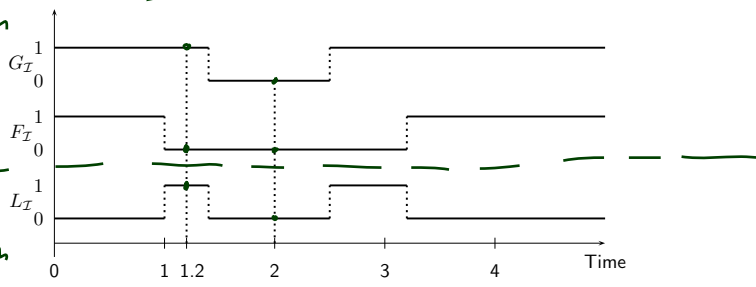
- Boolean observables  $G$  and  $F$ .
- State assertion  $L := G \wedge \neg F$ ;

abbrev. for  $(G=1) \wedge \neg(F=1)$

state variables  $F, G$

interpretation of state variables

interpretation of state assertion  $F \wedge \neg G$



- $L_I(1.2) = 1$ , because

$$I[L](1.2) = I[G \wedge \neg F](1.2) = I[G=1 \wedge \neg F=1](1.2) = 1$$

- $L_I(2) = 0$ , because

$$I[G=1](1.2) = 1 \text{ because } I(G)(1.2) = 1 = 1$$

$$I[F=1](1.2) = 0 \text{ because } I(F)(1.2) = 0 \neq 1 = 1$$

$$I[\neg(F=1)](1.2) = 1 - I[F=1](1.2) = 1 - 0 = 1$$

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