

# *Real-Time Systems*

## *Lecture 15: The Universality Problem for TBA*

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## Contents & Goals

### Last Lecture:

- Extended Timed Automata

### This Lecture:

- **Educational Objectives:** Capabilities for following tasks/questions.
  - What's a TBA and what's the difference to (extended) TA?
  - What's undecidable for timed (Büchi) automata?
  - What's the idea of the proof?
- **Content:**
  - Uppaal Query Language
  - Timed Büchi Automata and timed regular languages [Alur and Dill, 1994].
  - The Universality Problem is undecidable for TBA [Alur and Dill, 1994]
  - Why this is unfortunate.
  - Timed regular languages are not everything.

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# The Logic of Uppaal

## The Uppaal Fragment of Timed Computation Tree Logic

Consider  $\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_n)$  over data variables  $V$ .

- **basic formula:**

$$atom ::= \mathcal{A}_i.l \mid \varphi$$

where  $l \in L_i$  is a location and  $\varphi$  a constraint over  $X_i$  and  $V$ .

- **configuration formulae:**

$$term ::= atom \mid \neg term \mid term_1 \wedge term_2$$

- **existential path formulae:** (“exists finally”, “exists globally”)

$$e\text{-formula} ::= \exists \diamond term \mid \exists \square term$$

- **universal path formulae:** (“always finally”, “always globally”, “leads to”)

$$a\text{-formula} ::= \forall \diamond term \mid \forall \square term \mid term_1 \longrightarrow term_2$$

- **formulae:**

$$F ::= e\text{-formula} \mid a\text{-formula}$$

## Configurations at Time $t$

- Recall: **computation path** (or path) **starting in**  $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0$ :

$$\xi = \langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0 \xrightarrow{\lambda_1} \langle \vec{\ell}_1, \nu_1 \rangle, t_1 \xrightarrow{\lambda_2} \langle \vec{\ell}_2, \nu_2 \rangle, t_2 \xrightarrow{\lambda_3} \dots$$

which is **infinite or maximally finite**.

- Given  $\xi$  and  $t \in \text{Time}$ , we use  $\xi(t)$  to denote the set

$$\{ \langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \mid \exists i \in \mathbb{N}_0 : t_i \leq t \leq t_{i+1} \wedge \vec{\ell} = \vec{\ell}_i \wedge \nu = \nu_i + t - t_i \}.$$

of **configurations at time  $t$** .

- Why is it a set?
- Can it be empty?

$$\xi(0) = \{ \langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle \}$$

$$\xi(0.2) = \{ \langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 + 0.2 \rangle \}$$

$$\xi(3.0) = \{ \langle \vec{\ell}_1, \nu_1 \rangle, \langle \vec{\ell}_2, \nu_2 \rangle \}$$

## Satisfaction of Uppaal-Logic by Configurations

- We define a **satisfaction relation**

$$\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0 \models F$$

between **time stamped configurations**

$$\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0$$

of a network  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_n)$  and **formulae**  $F$  of the Uppaal logic.

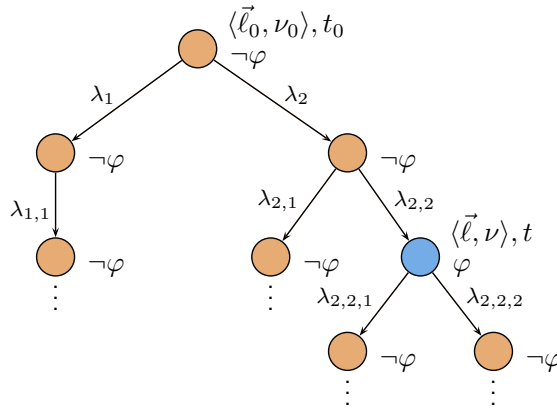
- It is defined inductively as follows:
  - $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0 \models \mathcal{A}_i.l$  iff  $\vec{\ell}_{0,i} = l$  *( $i$ -th location in  $\vec{\ell}_0$ )*
  - $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0 \models \varphi$  iff  $\nu_0 \models \varphi$
  - $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0 \models \neg \text{term}$  iff  $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0 \not\models \text{term}$
  - $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0 \models \text{term}_1 \wedge \text{term}_2$  iff  $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0 \models \text{term}_i, i = 1, 2$

## Satisfaction of Uppaal-Logic by Configurations

**Exists finally:**

- $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0 \models \exists \Diamond term$  iff  $\exists$  path  $\xi$  of  $\mathcal{N}$  starting in  $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0$   
 $\exists t \in \text{Time}, \langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \in \text{Conf} :$   
 $t_0 \leq t \wedge \langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \in \xi(t) \wedge \langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle, t \models term$

**Example:**  $\exists \Diamond \varphi$



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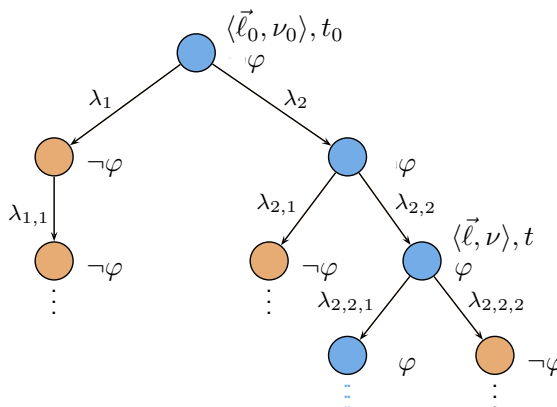
## Satisfaction of Uppaal-Logic by Configurations

**Exists globally:**

- $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0 \models \exists \Box term$  iff  $\exists$  path  $\xi$  of  $\mathcal{N}$  starting in  $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0$   
 $\forall t \in \text{Time}, \langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \in \text{Conf} :$   
 $t_0 \leq t \wedge \langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \in \xi(t) \implies \langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle, t \models term$

*note: universally quantifying over elements in  $\xi(t)$*

**Example:**  $\exists \Box \varphi$



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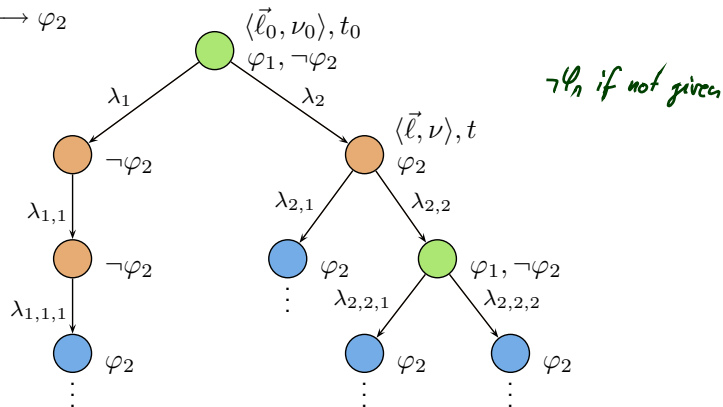
## Satisfaction of Uppaal-Logic by Configurations

- **Always finally:**  $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0 \models \forall \Diamond \text{ term}$  iff  $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0 \not\models \exists \Box \neg \text{ term}$ 
  - Handwritten notes: " $\forall \text{ path}$ " above the formula, " $\exists t \in \text{Time}$ " above the iff.
- **Always globally:**  $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0 \models \forall \Box \text{ term}$  iff  $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0 \not\models \exists \Diamond \neg \text{ term}$ 
  - Handwritten notes: " $\forall \text{ path}$ " and " $\forall t \in \text{Time}$ " below the formula.

## Satisfaction of Uppaal-Logic by Configurations

- Leads to:** CTL:  $AG(\neg \text{term}_1 \Rightarrow AF \text{term}_2)$
- $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0 \models \text{term}_1 \rightarrow \text{term}_2$  iff  $\forall \text{ path } \xi \text{ of } \mathcal{N} \text{ starting in } \langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0$   
 $\forall t \in \text{Time}, \langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \in \text{Conf} :$   
 $t_0 \leq t \wedge \langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \in \xi(t)$   
 $\wedge \langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle, t \models \text{term}_1$   
 implies  $\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle, t \models \forall \Diamond \text{term}_2$ 
    - Handwritten notes: "not DC (of course)" with an arrow pointing to the transition arrow.

**Example:**  $\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2$



## Satisfaction of Uppaal-Logic by Networks

- We write

$$\mathcal{N} \models e\text{-formula}$$

if and only if

$$\text{for some } \langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle \in C_{ini}, \langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, 0 \models e\text{-formula}, \quad (1)$$

and

$$\mathcal{N} \models a\text{-formula}$$

if and only if

$$\text{for all } \langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle \in C_{ini}, \langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle, 0 \models a\text{-formula}, \quad (2)$$

where  $C_{ini}$  are the initial configurations of  $\mathcal{T}_e(\mathcal{N})$ .

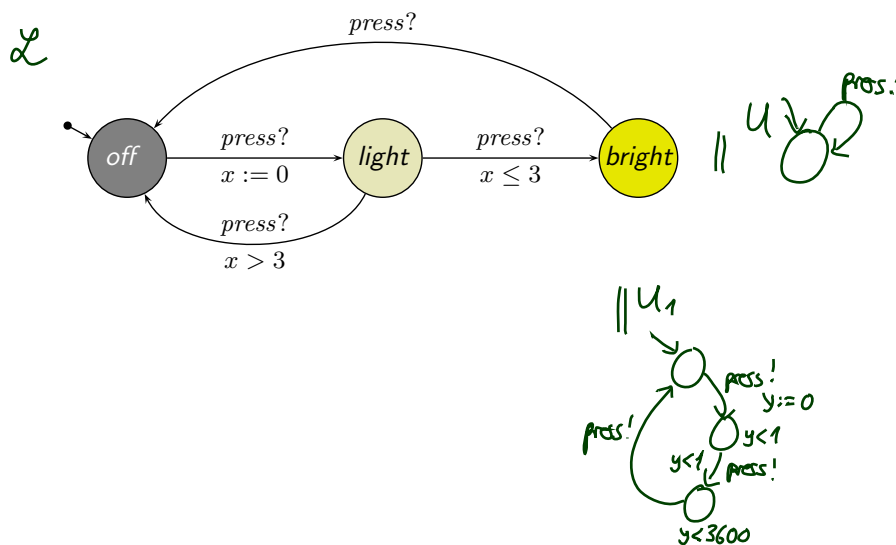
- If  $C_{ini} = \emptyset$ , (1) is a contradiction and (2) is a tautology.
- If  $C_{ini} \neq \emptyset$ , then

$$\mathcal{N} \models F \text{ if and only if } \langle \vec{\ell}_{ini}, \nu_{ini} \rangle, 0 \models F.$$

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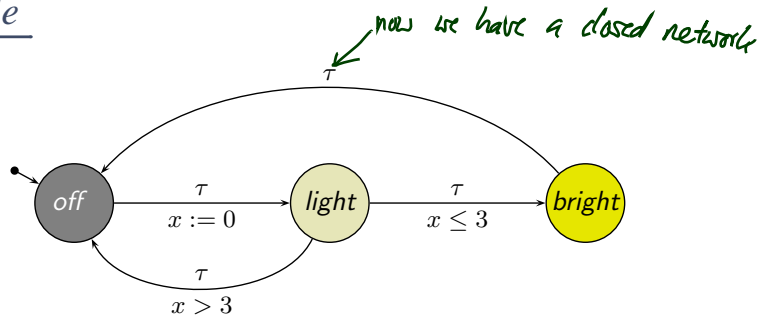
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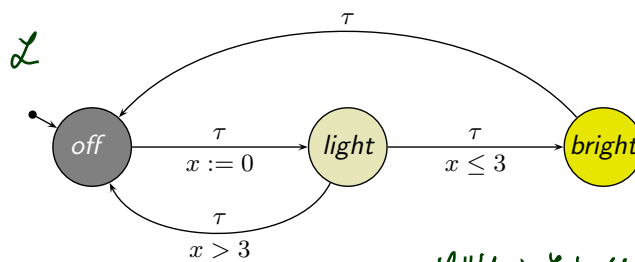
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## Example



## Example



because not satisfied in some zero points

~~X prev. Def~~

$\mathcal{L} \parallel U_1 \models \mathcal{L}.bright \rightarrow \mathcal{L}.off?$   $\checkmark$  *Uppaal*

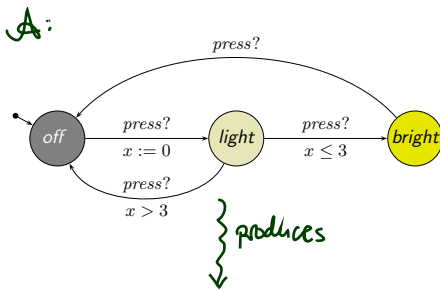
(because the tool uses  $\Rightarrow$  paths, not comp. paths actually)

- $\mathcal{N} \models \exists \diamond \mathcal{L}.bright?$   $\checkmark$
- $\mathcal{N} \models \exists \square \mathcal{L}.bright?$   $\times$  (we must be in light before bright)
- $\mathcal{N} \models \exists \square \mathcal{L}.off?$   $\checkmark$  (\*)
- $\mathcal{N} \models \forall \diamond \mathcal{L}.light?$   $\times$  (because \*)
- $\mathcal{N} \models \forall \square \underline{\mathcal{L}.bright \Rightarrow x \geq 3}?$   $\times$  (can have  $\mathcal{L}.bright$  and  $x < 3$ )
- $\mathcal{N} \models \mathcal{L}.bright \rightarrow \mathcal{L}.off?$   $\times$  <sup>atom</sup>

# Timed Büchi Automata

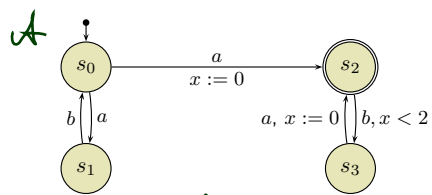
[Alur and Dill, 1994]

## ... vs. Timed Automata



$$\xi = \langle \text{off}, 0 \rangle, 0 \xrightarrow{1} \langle \text{off}, 1 \rangle, 1 \xrightarrow{\text{press?}} \langle \text{light}, 0 \rangle, 1 \xrightarrow{3} \langle \text{light}, 3 \rangle, 4 \xrightarrow{\text{press?}} \langle \text{bright}, 3 \rangle, 4 \rightsquigarrow \dots$$

$\xi$  is a computation path and run of  $\mathcal{A}$ .



**New:** Given a **timed word**

$(a, 1), (b, 2), (a, 3), (b, 4), (a, 5), (b, 6), \dots,$

does  $\mathcal{A}$  **accept** it?

**New:** acceptance criterion is **visiting accepting state infinitely often.**



# Timed Languages

**Definition.** A **time sequence**  $\tau = \tau_1, \tau_2, \dots$  is an infinite sequence of time values  $\tau_i \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$ , satisfying the following constraints:

- (i) **Monotonicity:**  
 $\tau$  increases **strictly** monotonically, i.e.  $\tau_i < \tau_{i+1}$  for all  $i \geq 1$ .
- (ii) **Progress:** For every  $t \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$ , there is some  $i \geq 1$  such that  $\tau_i > t$ .

**Definition.** A **timed word** over an alphabet  $\Sigma$  is a pair  $(\sigma, \tau)$  where

- $\sigma = \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots \in \Sigma^\omega$  is an infinite word over  $\Sigma$ , and
- $\tau$  is a time sequence.

**Definition.** A **timed language** over an alphabet  $\Sigma$  is a set of timed words over  $\Sigma$ .

*set of infinite words over  $\Sigma$*

## Example: Timed Language

**Timed word** over alphabet  $\Sigma$ : a pair  $(\sigma, \tau)$  where

- $\sigma = \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots$  is an infinite word over  $\Sigma$ , and
- $\tau$  is a time sequence (strictly (!) monotonic, non-Zeno).

*a could be 'system beeps'  
 b could be 'system flashes light'*

$$L_{crt} = \{((ab)^\omega, \tau) \mid \exists i \forall j \geq i : (\tau_{2j} < \tau_{2j-1} + 2)\}$$

*↑ timestamp of a 'b'  
 ↑ timestamp of the 'a' before*

*10.0*  
 ? *a b a b a b ... a b a b a b ...*  
 $\tau_1 \tau_2 \tau_3 \tau_4 \tau_5 \tau_6 \dots \tau_{2i} \tau_{2i+1} \tau_{2i+2} \tau_{2i+3} \tau_{2i+4} \dots$

*finite prefix where timestamps don't matter*

*↑ from here on...*

$$\tau_{2i} < \tau_{2i+1} + 2$$

*.., but most (not including) 2 time units after the a before*

## Timed Büchi Automata

**Definition.** The set  $\Phi(X)$  of **clock constraints** over  $X$  is defined inductively by

$$\delta ::= x \leq c \mid c \leq x \mid \neg \delta \mid \delta_1 \wedge \delta_2$$

where  $x \in X$  and  $c \in \mathbb{Q}$  is a rational constant.

*not simple! (negation, but no differences)*

**Definition.** A **timed Büchi automaton** (TBA)  $\mathcal{A}$  is a tuple  $(\Sigma, S, S_0, X, E, F)$ , where

- $\Sigma$  is an alphabet,
- $S$  is a finite set of states,  $S_0 \subseteq S$  is a set of start states,
- $X$  is a finite set of clocks, and
- $E \subseteq S \times S \times \Sigma \times 2^X \times \Phi(X)$  gives the set of transitions.

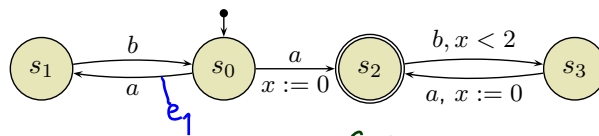
An edge  $(s, s', a, \lambda, \delta)$  represents a transition from state  $s$  to state  $s'$  on input symbol  $a$ . The set  $\lambda \subseteq X$  gives the clocks to be reset with this transition, and  $\delta$  is a clock constraint over  $X$ .

- $F \subseteq S$  is a set of **accepting states**.

## Example: TBA

$$\mathcal{A} = (\Sigma, S, S_0, X, E, F)$$

$$(s, s', a, \lambda, \delta) \in E$$



- $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$
- $S = \{s_1, s_0, s_2, s_3\}$
- $S_0 = \{s_0\}$
- $X = \{x\}$
- $F = \{s_2\}$

$$E = \{ (s_0, s_1, a, \emptyset, true), \\ (s_1, s_0, b, \emptyset, true), \\ (s_0, s_2, a, \{x\}, true), \\ (s_2, s_0, b, \emptyset, x < 2), \\ (s_2, s_3, a, \{x\}, true), \\ (s_3, s_2, b, \emptyset, true) \}$$

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