

# *Real-Time Systems*

## *Lecture 7: DC Properties II*

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- **RDC  $+l = x, \forall x$  in Continuous Time**
  - **Outline** of the proof
  - Recall: **two-counter** machines (2-CM)
    - **states** and **commands** (**syntax**)
    - **configurations** and **computations** (**semantics**)
  - Encoding **configurations** in DC
    - **initial configuration** of a 2-CM
  - Encoding **transitions** in DC
    - **increment** counter,
    - **decrement** counter,
    - and some helper formulae.
  - **Satisfiability and Validity**
  - **Discussion**

# Decidability Results for Realisability: Overview

Fragment	Discrete Time	Continuous Time
RDC	decidable ✓	decidable
RDC + $\ell = r$	decidable for $r \in \mathbb{N}$	undecidable for $r \in \mathbb{R}^+$
RDC + $\int P_1 = \int P_2$	undecidable	undecidable
RDC + $\ell = x, \forall x$	undecidable	undecidable $\forall$
DC	— " —	— " —

*Decidability Results for RDC  
in Continuous Time*

## Recall: Restricted DC (RDC)

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$$F ::= [P] \mid \neg F_1 \mid F_1 \vee F_2 \mid F_1 ; F_2$$

where  $P$  is a state assertion with **boolean** observables **only**.

From now on: “RDC +  $\ell = x, \forall x$ ”

$$F ::= [P] \mid \neg F_1 \mid F_1 \vee F_2 \mid F_1 ; F_2 \mid \underbrace{\ell = 1 \mid \ell = x \mid \forall x \bullet F_1}$$

# *Undecidability of Satisfiability/Realisability from 0*

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## **Theorem 3.10.**

The realisability from 0 problem for DC with **continuous time** is undecidable, not even semi-decidable.

## **Theorem 3.11.**

The satisfiability problem for DC with continuous time is undecidable.

## Sketch: Proof of Theorem 3.10

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Reduce divergence of **two-counter machines** to realisability from 0:

- Given a two-counter machine  $\mathcal{M}$  with final state  $q_{fin}$ ,
- construct a DC formula  $F(\mathcal{M}) := \text{encoding}(\mathcal{M})$
- such that

$\mathcal{M}$  **diverges** **if and only if** the DC formula

$$F(\mathcal{M}) \wedge \neg \diamond [q_{fin}]$$

is **realisable from 0**.

- If realisability from 0 was (semi-)decidable, divergence of two-counter machines would be (which it isn't).

# *Two-Counter Machines*



# Recall: Two-counter machines

A **two-counter** machine is a structure

$$\mathcal{M} = (\mathcal{Q}, q_0, q_{fin}, Prog)$$

where

- $\mathcal{Q}$  is a finite set of **states**,
- comprising the **initial state**  $q_0$  and the **final state**  $q_{fin}$
- $Prog$  is the **machine program**, i.e. a finite set of **commands** of the form

$$\underbrace{q : inc_i : q'} \quad \text{and} \quad \underbrace{q : dec_i : q', q''}, \quad i \in \{1, 2\}.$$

$$q : x_i := x_i + 1; \text{ goto } q'$$

$$q : x_2 := x_2 + 1; \text{ goto } q'$$

$$q : \text{if } (x_1 = 0)$$

$$\text{goto } q'$$

$$\text{else } x_1 := x_1 - 1; \text{ goto } q''$$

- We assume **deterministic** 2CM: for each  $q \in \mathcal{Q}$ , at most one command starts in  $q$ , and  $q_{fin}$  is the only state where no command starts.

# 2CM Configurations and Computations

- a **configuration** of  $\mathcal{M}$  is a triple  $K = (q, n_1, n_2) \in \mathcal{Q} \times \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$ .
- The **transition relation** “ $\vdash$ ” on configurations is defined as follows:

Command	Semantics: $K \vdash K'$
$q : inc_1 : q'$	$(q, n_1, n_2) \vdash (q', n_1 + 1, n_2)$
$q : dec_1 : q', q''$	$(q, 0, n_2) \vdash (q', 0, n_2)$ $(q, n_1 + 1, n_2) \vdash (q'', n_1, n_2)$
$q : inc_2 : q'$	$(q, n_1, n_2) \vdash (q', n_1, n_2 + 1)$
$q : dec_2 : q', q''$	$(q, n_1, 0) \vdash (q', n_1, 0)$ $(q, n_1, n_2 + 1) \vdash (q'', n_1, n_2)$

- The (!) **computation** of  $\mathcal{M}$  is a finite sequence of the form (“ $\mathcal{M}$  halts”)

$$K_0 = (q_0, 0, 0) \vdash K_1 \vdash K_2 \vdash \dots \vdash (q_{fin}, n_1, n_2)$$

or an infinite sequence of the form

(“ $\mathcal{M}$  diverges”)

$$K_0 = (q_0, 0, 0) \vdash K_1 \vdash K_2 \vdash \dots$$

# 2CM Example

- $\mathcal{M} = (\mathcal{Q}, q_0, q_{fin}, Prog)$
- commands of the form  $q : inc_i : q'$  and  $q : dec_i : q', q'', i \in \{1, 2\}$
- configuration  $K = (q, n_1, n_2) \in \mathcal{Q} \times \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$ .

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$\mathcal{M}_1$

- $\mathcal{Q} = \{q_0, q_1, q_{fin}\}$
- $Prog = \{q_0 : inc_1 : q_1, q_1 : inc_1 : q_{fin}\}$

$(q_0, 0, 0) \xrightarrow{\textcircled{1}} (q_1, 1, 0) \xrightarrow{\textcircled{2}} (q_{fin}, 2, 0)$   
 $\hookrightarrow \mathcal{M}_1 \text{ halts}$

$\mathcal{M}_2$

- $\mathcal{Q} = \{q_0, q_{fin}\}$
- $Prog = \{q_0 : inc_2 : q_0\}$

$(q_0, 0, 0) \xrightarrow{\textcircled{1}} (q_0, 0, 1) \xrightarrow{\textcircled{2}} (q_0, 0, 2) \dots$   
 $\hookrightarrow \mathcal{M}_2 \text{ diverges}$

## *Reduction to 2-CM: Idea*

# Reducing Divergence to DC realisability: Idea In Pictures

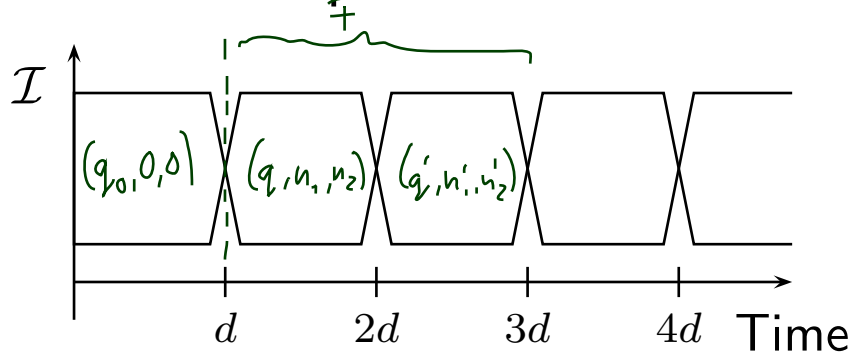
2CM  $\mathcal{M}$  **diverges**

iff

**exists**  $\pi : K_0 \vdash K_1 \vdash \dots$

iff

**exists** interpretation



“ $\mathcal{I}$  describes  $\pi$ ”

and

$$\mathcal{I} \models_0 F(\mathcal{M}) \wedge \neg \diamond [q_{fin}]$$

$F(\mathcal{M})$  intuitively specifies:

- $[0, d]$  encodes  $(q_0, 0, 0)$ ,
- each  $[n \cdot d, (n + 1) \cdot d]$  encodes a configuration,
- $[n \cdot d, (n + 1) \cdot d]$  and  $[(n + 1) \cdot d, (n + 2) \cdot d]$  are in  $\vdash$ -relation,
- if  $q_{fin}$  is reached, we stay there

# Reducing Divergence to DC realisability: Idea

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“(q, u, v)”

- A single configuration  $K$  of  $\mathcal{M}$  can be encoded in an interval of length 4; **being an encoding interval** can be **characterised** by a DC formula.

- An interpretation on ‘Time’ encodes **the** computation of  $\mathcal{M}$  if

- each interval  $[4n, 4(n + 1)]$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , **encodes** a configuration  $K_n$ ,

- each two subsequent intervals

$[4n, 4(n + 1)]$  and  $[4(n + 1), 4(n + 2)]$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ,

encode configurations  $K_n \vdash K_{n+1}$  **in transition relation**.

- **Being an encoding of the run** can be **characterised** by a DC formula  $F(\mathcal{M})$ .

- Then  $\mathcal{M}$  **diverges** if and only if  $F(\mathcal{M}) \wedge \neg \diamond [q_{fin}]$  is realisable from 0.

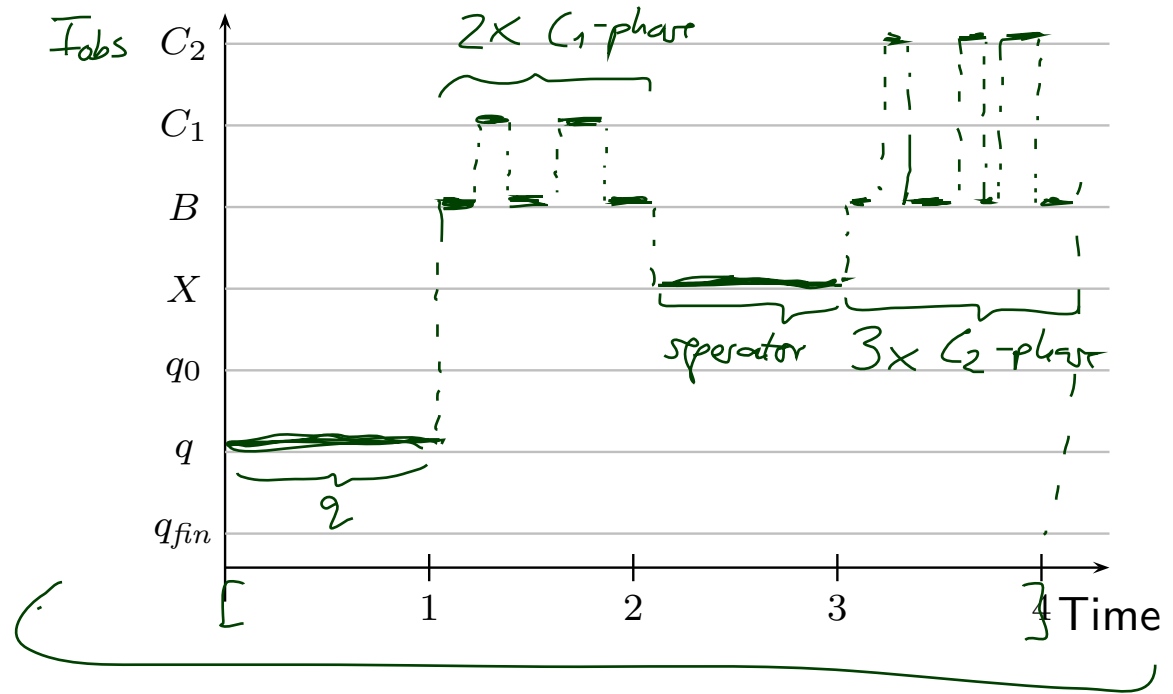
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↑  
disjoint

## Examples:

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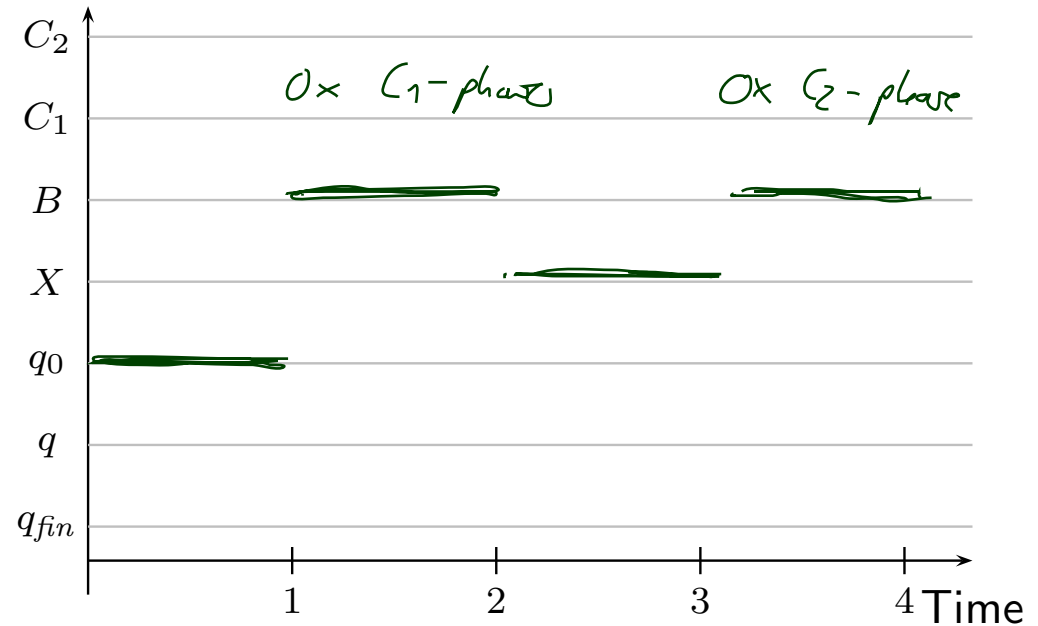


$$\left( \begin{array}{c} [q] \\ \wedge \\ \ell = 1 \end{array} \right); \left( \begin{array}{c} [B]; [C_1]; [B]; [C_1]; [B] \\ \wedge \\ \ell = 1 \end{array} \right); \left( \begin{array}{c} [X] \\ \wedge \\ \ell = 1 \end{array} \right); \left( \begin{array}{c} [B]; [C_2]; [B]; [C_2]; [B]; [C_2]; [B] \\ \wedge \\ \ell = 1 \end{array} \right)$$



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- $K_0 = (q_0, 0, 0)$

$$\left( \begin{array}{c} [q_0] \\ \wedge \\ \ell = 1 \end{array} \right); \left( \begin{array}{c} [B] \\ \wedge \\ \ell = 1 \end{array} \right); \left( \begin{array}{c} [X] \\ \wedge \\ \ell = 1 \end{array} \right); \left( \begin{array}{c} [B] \\ \wedge \\ \ell = 1 \end{array} \right)$$

or, using abbreviations,  $[q_0]^1; [B]^1; [X]^1; [B]^1$ .

## *Formula Construction for Given 2-CM*

# Construction of $F(\mathcal{M})$

In the following, we give **DC formulae describing**

- the **initial configuration**:  $init$ ,
- the **general form of configurations**:  $keep$ ,
- the **transitions between configurations**:  $F(q : inc_i : q')$  and  $F(q : dec_i : q')$ ,
- the handling of the **final state**.

$F(\mathcal{M})$  is the conjunction of all these formulae:

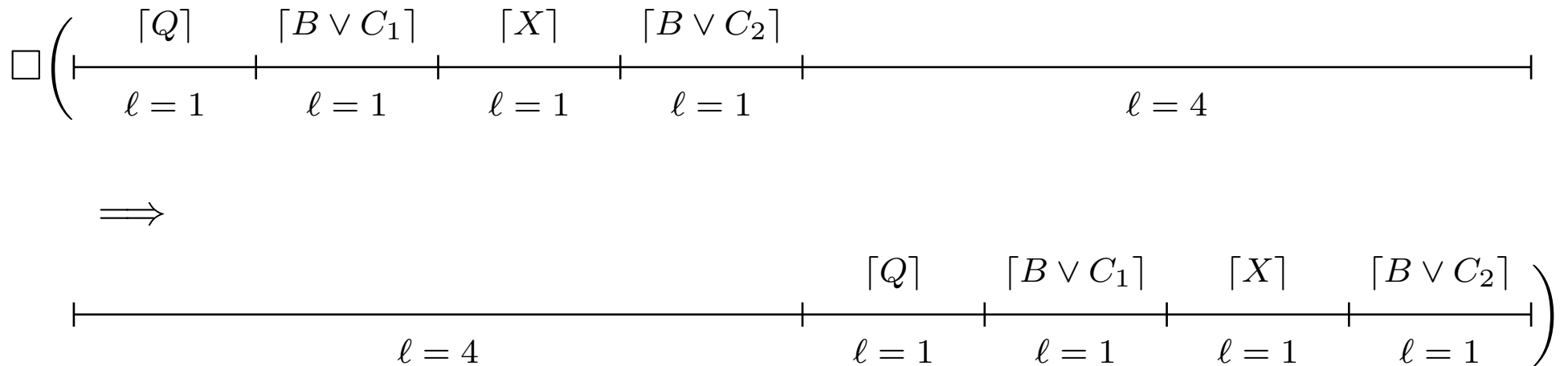
$$F(\mathcal{M}) = init \wedge keep \wedge \dots$$
$$\wedge \bigwedge_{q:inc_i:q' \in Prog} F(q : inc_i : q')$$
$$\wedge \bigwedge_{q:dec_i:q' \in Prog} F(q : dec_i : q')$$

# Initial and General Configurations

$$init : \iff (\ell \geq 4 \implies [q_0]^1 ; [B]^1 ; [X]^1 ; [B]^1 ; true)$$

$$keep : \iff \square \left( ([Q]^1 ; [B \vee C_1]^1 ; [X]^1 ; [B \vee C_2]^1 ; \ell = 4) \right. \\ \left. \implies (\ell = 4 ; [Q]^1 ; [B \vee C_1]^1 ; [X]^1 ; [B \vee C_2]^1) \right)$$

where  $Q := \neg(X \vee C_1 \vee C_2 \vee B)$ .



# Auxiliary Formula Pattern copy

$\text{copy}(F, \{P_1, \dots, P_n\}) : \iff$

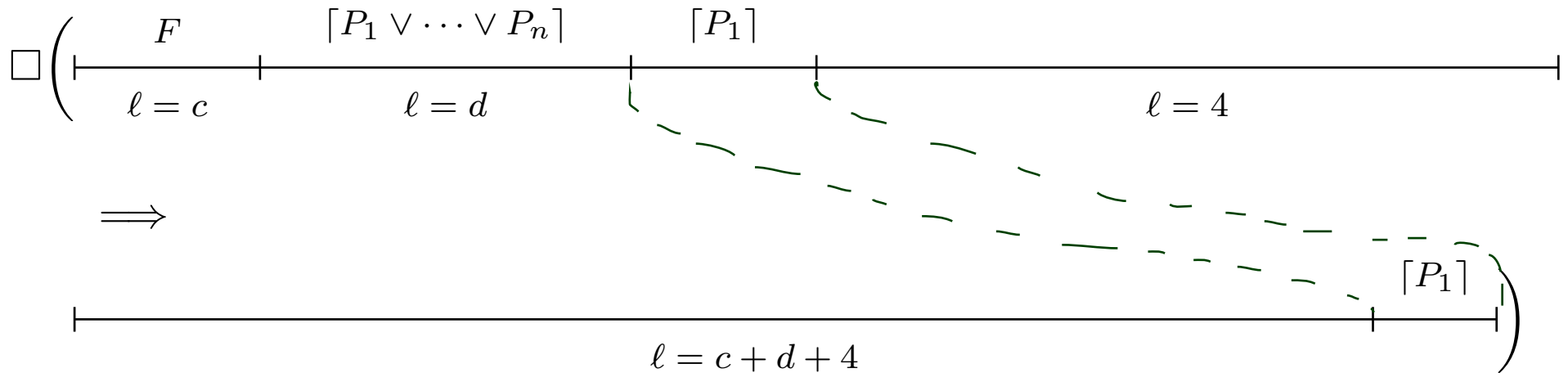
$\forall c, d \bullet \Box \left( \left( (F \wedge \ell = c); ([P_1 \vee \dots \vee P_n] \wedge \ell = d); [P_1]; \ell = 4 \right) \right.$

$\quad \implies \left. (\ell = c + d + 4; [P_1]) \right)$

$\wedge \dots$

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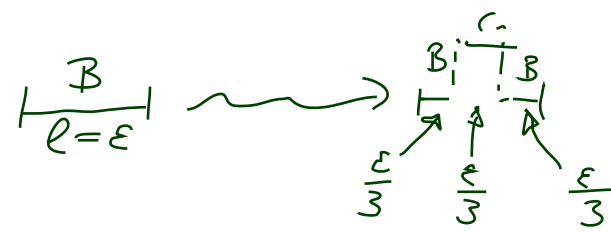
$q : inc_1 : q'$  (*Increment*)

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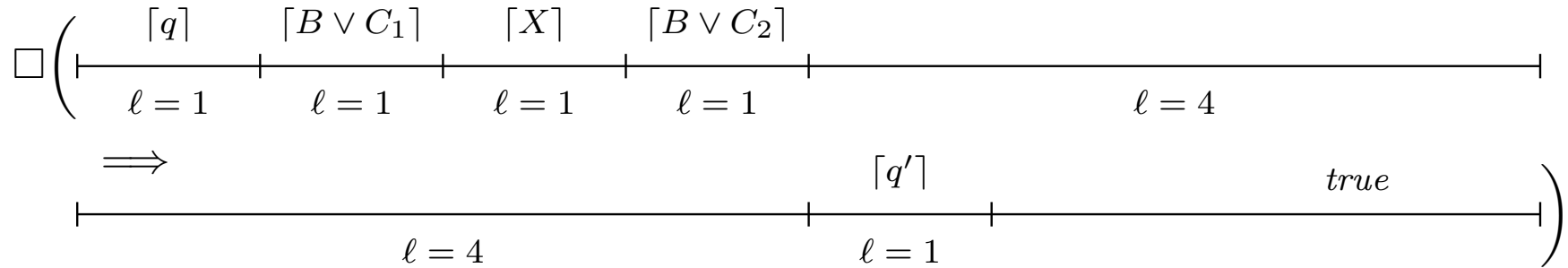
$$\square([\mathit{q}]^1; [B \vee C_1]^1; [X]^1; [B \vee C_2]^1; \ell = 4 \implies \ell = 4; [\mathit{q}']^1; \mathit{true})$$

# $q : inc_1 : q'$ (Increment)



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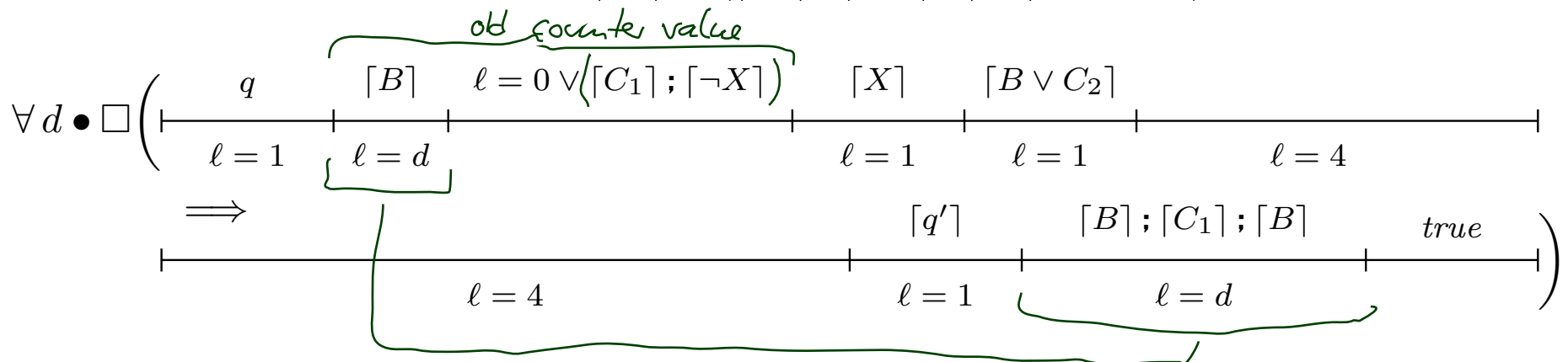
$$\square([\![q]\!]^1; [\![B \vee C_1]\!]^1; [\![X]\!]^1; [\![B \vee C_2]\!]^1; \ell = 4 \implies \ell = 4; [\![q']\!]^1; true)$$



## (ii) Increment counter

$$\forall d \bullet \square([\![q]\!]^1; [\![B]\!]^d; (\ell = 0 \vee [\![C_1]\!]; [\![\neg X]\!]^1); [\![X]\!]^1; [\![B \vee C_2]\!]^1; \ell = 4$$

$$\implies \ell = 4; [\![q']\!]^1; ([\![B]\!]; [\![C_1]\!]; [\![B] \wedge \ell = d]); true$$



## $q : inc_1 : q'$ (Increment)

(i) Keep rest of first counter

$$copy(\underbrace{[q]^1 ; [B \vee C_1] ; [C_1]}_{\neq}, \underbrace{\{B, C_1\}}_{\{P_1, P_2\}})$$

(ii) Leave second counter unchanged

$$copy([q]^1 ; [B \vee C_1] ; [X]^1, \{B, C_2\})$$

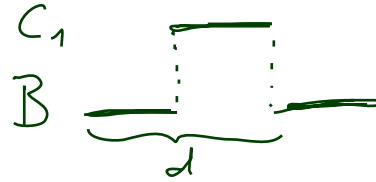


# $q : dec_1 : q', q''$ (Decrement)

(i) If zero

$$\square(\underbrace{[q]^1; [B]^1; [X]^1; [B \vee C_2]^1; \ell = 4}_{\text{precondition}} \implies \ell = 4; [q']^1; [B]^1; true)$$

(ii) Decrement counter



$$\forall d \bullet \square(\underbrace{[q]^1; ([B]; [C_1] \wedge \ell = d); [B]; [B \vee C_1]; [X]^1; [B \vee C_2]^1; \ell = 4}_{\text{precondition}} \implies \ell = 4; [q'']^1; [B]^d; true)$$

(iii) Keep rest of first counter

$$copy([q]^1; [B]; [C_1]; [B_1], \{B, C_1\})$$

(iv) Leave second counter unchanged

$$copy([q]^1; [B \vee C_1]; [X]^1, \{B, C_2\})$$

# Final State

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$$\text{copy}(\underbrace{[q_{fin}]^1; [B \vee C_1]^1; [X]; [B \vee C_2]^1}_{\neq}, \{q_{fin}, B, X, C_1, C_2\})$$

$\mathcal{M}$  diverges  
iff

$F(\mathcal{M})_1 \rightarrow \diamond [q_{fin}]$   
is realisable from 0

# *Satisfiability / Validity*

# Satisfiability

- Following Chaochen and Hansen (2004) we can observe that

$\mathcal{M}$  **halts if and only if** the DC formula  $F(\mathcal{M}) \wedge \diamond[q_{fin}]$  is **satisfiable**.

This yields

## Theorem 3.11.

The satisfiability problem for DC with continuous time is undecidable.

(It is semi-decidable.)

- Furthermore, by taking the contraposition, we see

$\mathcal{M}$  **diverges** **if and only if**  $\mathcal{M}$  does not **halt**  
**if and only if**  $F(\mathcal{M}) \wedge \neg \diamond[q_{fin}]$  is **not** satisfiable.

- Thus whether a DC formula is **not satisfiable** is not decidable, not even semi-decidable.

- By Remark 2.13,  $F$  is valid iff  $\neg F$  is not satisfiable, so

**Corollary 3.12.** The validity problem for DC with continuous time is undecidable, not even semi-decidable.

- This provides us with an alternative proof of Theorem 2.23 (“there is no sound and complete proof system for DC”):
  - **Suppose** there were such a calculus  $\mathcal{C}$ .
  - By Lemma 2.22 it is semi-decidable whether a given DC formula  $F$  is a theorem in  $\mathcal{C}$ .
  - By the soundness and completeness of  $\mathcal{C}$ ,  $F$  is a theorem in  $\mathcal{C}$  **if and only if**  $F$  is valid.
  - Thus it is semi-decidable whether  $F$  is valid. **Contradiction.**

# Discussion

- Note: the DC fragment defined by the following grammar is **sufficient** for the reduction

$$F ::= [P] \mid \neg F_1 \mid F_1 \vee F_2 \mid F_1 ; F_2 \mid \ell = 1 \mid \ell = x \mid \forall x \bullet F_1,$$

$P$  a state assertion,  $x$  a global variable.

- Formulae used in the reduction are abbreviations:

$$\ell = 4 \iff \ell = 1 ; \ell = 1 ; \ell = 1 ; \ell = 1$$

$$\ell \geq 4 \iff \ell = 4 ; \text{true}$$

$$\ell = x + y + 4 \iff \ell = x ; \ell = y ; \ell = 4$$

- Length 1 is not necessary – we can use  $\ell = z$  instead, with fresh  $z$ .
- This is RDC augmented by “ $\ell = x$ ” and “ $\forall x$ ”, which we denote by **RDC** +  $\ell = x, \forall x$ .

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# *Tell Them What You've Told Them...*

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- For **Restricted DC** plus  $\ell = x$  and  $\forall x$  in continuous time:
  - **satisfiability** is **undecidable**.
  - **Proof idea**: reduce to halting problem of two-counter machines.
- For full DC, it doesn't get better.



# Content

## Introduction

- **Observables and Evolutions** ✓
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- **Timed Automata (TA)**, Uppaal
- **Networks of Timed Automata**
- **Region/Zone-Abstraction**
- **TA model-checking**
- **Extended Timed Automata**
- **Undecidability Results**

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

$$\langle obs_0, \nu_0 \rangle, t_0 \xrightarrow{\lambda_0} \langle obs_1, \nu_1 \rangle, t_1 \dots$$

- **Automatic Verification...**  
...whether a TA satisfies a DC formula, observer-based
- **Recent Results:**
  - **Timed Sequence Diagrams**, or **Quasi-equal Clocks**, or **Automatic Code Generation**, or ...

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