

Real-Time Systems

Lecture 7: DC Properties II

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Content

- **RDC** $+ \ell = x, \forall x$ 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**

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| 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 ∇ |
| DC | — " — | — " — |

*Decidability Results for RDC
in Continuous Time*

Recall: Restricted DC (RDC)

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

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

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

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

$$\begin{array}{l} \underbrace{q : inc_i : q'} \quad \text{and} \quad \underbrace{q : dec_i : q', q''}, \quad i \in \{1, 2\}. \\ q : x_i := x_i + 1; \text{ goto } q' \quad \quad q : \text{if } (x_i = 0) \\ q : x_i := x_i + 1; \text{ goto } q' \quad \quad \quad \text{goto } q' \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \text{else } \text{goto } q'' \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad x_i := x_i - 1; \text{ goto } q'' \end{array}$$

- 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.

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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”)

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

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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

- $\mathcal{Q} = \{q_0, q_1, q_{fin}\}$
 - $Prog = \{q_0 : inc_1 : q_1, q_1 : inc_1 : q_{fin}\}$
- $(q_0, 0, 0) \xrightarrow{\text{①}} (q_1, 1, 0) \xrightarrow{\text{②}} (q_{fin}, 2, 0)$
 $\hookrightarrow \mathcal{M}_1 \text{ halts}$

\mathcal{M}_2

- $\mathcal{Q} = \{q_0, q_{fin}\}$
 - $Prog = \{q_0 : inc_2 : q_0\}$
- $(q_0, 0, 0) \xrightarrow{\text{①}} (q_0, 0, 1) \xrightarrow{\text{②}} (q_0, 0, 2) \xrightarrow{\text{③}} \dots$
 $\hookrightarrow \mathcal{M}_2 \text{ diverges}$

Reduction to 2-CM: Idea

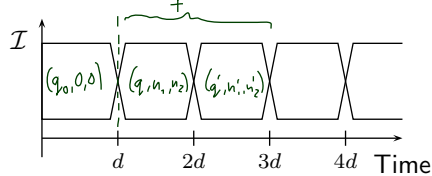
2CM \mathcal{M} **diverges**

iff

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

iff

exists interpretation



“ \mathcal{I} describes π ”

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

(q, n_1, n_2)

- 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

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

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.

Encoding Configurations

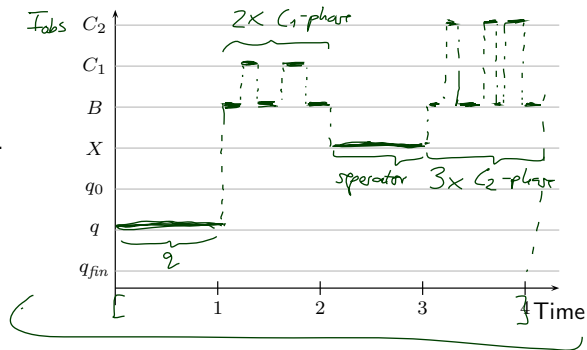
Encoding Configurations

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disjoint

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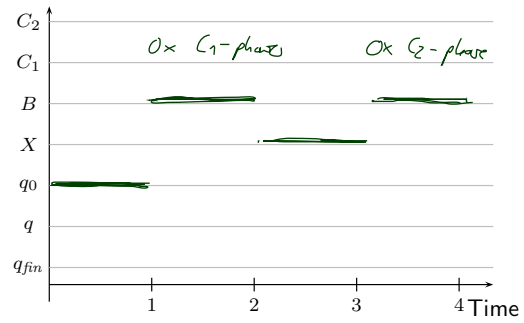
- $K = (q, 2, 3)$

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



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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

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

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

$$\implies (\ell = 4; [Q]^1; [B \vee C_1]^1; [X]^1; [B \vee C_2]^1)$$

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

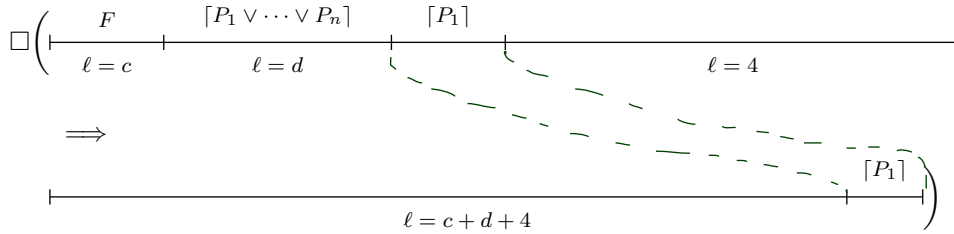
$$\square \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} [Q] & [B \vee C_1] & [X] & [B \vee C_2] & \\ \ell = 1 & \ell = 1 & \ell = 1 & \ell = 1 & \ell = 4 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\implies \left(\begin{array}{c|cccc} & [Q] & [B \vee C_1] & [X] & [B \vee C_2] \\ \ell = 4 & \ell = 1 & \ell = 1 & \ell = 1 & \ell = 1 \end{array} \right)$$

Auxiliary Formula Pattern copy

formula
state assertions

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{copy}(F, \{P_1, \dots, P_n\}) &: \Leftrightarrow \\
 &\forall c, d \bullet \square \left((F \wedge \ell = c); ([P_1 \vee \dots \vee P_n] \wedge \ell = d); [P_1]; \ell = 4 \right) \\
 &\quad \Rightarrow (\ell = c + d + 4; [P_1]) \\
 &\wedge \dots \\
 &\forall c, d \bullet \square \left((F \wedge \ell = c); ([P_1 \vee \dots \vee P_n] \wedge \ell = d); [P_n]; \ell = 4 \right) \\
 &\quad \Rightarrow \ell = c + d + 4; [P_n]
 \end{aligned}$$



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$q : inc_1 : q'$ (Increment)

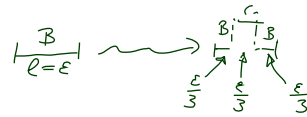
(i) Change state

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

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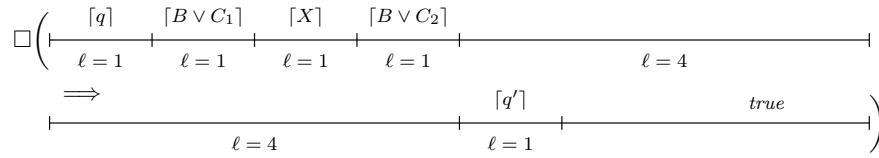
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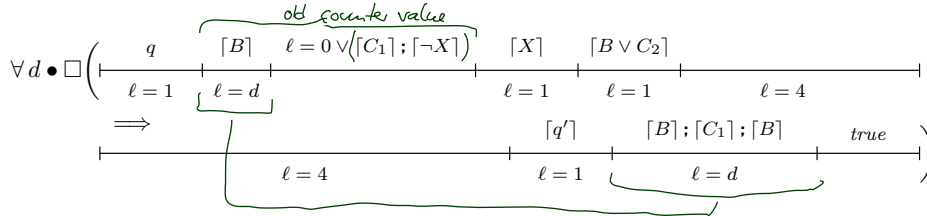
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$$\Box([\![q]\!]^1; [B \vee C_1]^1; [X]^1; [B \vee C_2]^1; l = 4 \implies l = 4; [q']^1; true)$$



(ii) Increment counter

$$\forall d \bullet \Box([\![q]\!]^1; [B]^d; (l = 0 \vee [C_1]; [\neg X]); [X]^1; [B \vee C_2]^1; l = 4 \implies l = 4; [q']^1; ([B]; [C_1]; [B] \wedge l = d); true)$$



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$q : inc_1 : q'$ (Increment)

(i) Keep rest of first counter

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

\overline{F} $\{P_1, P_2\}$

(ii) Leave second counter unchanged

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

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

(i) If zero

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

(ii) Decrement counter



$$\forall d \bullet \square([\underline{q}]^1; ([\underline{B}]; [\underline{C}_1] \wedge \ell = d); [\underline{B}]; [B \vee C_1]; [\underline{X}]^1; [B \vee C_2]^1; \ell = 4 \implies \ell = 4; [q'']^1; [B]^d; true)$$

(iii) Keep rest of first counter

$$copy([\underline{q}]^1; [\underline{B}]; [\underline{C}_1]; [B_1], \{B, C_1\})$$

(iv) Leave second counter unchanged

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

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Final State

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

\mathcal{M} diverges

if

$$\overline{F}(\mathcal{M})_1 \rightarrow \diamond \overline{F}_{q_{fin}}$$

is realisable from 0

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Satisfiability / Validity

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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.

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- 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:

$$\begin{aligned} \ell = 4 &\iff \ell = 1 ; \ell = 1 ; \ell = 1 ; \ell = 1 \\ \ell \geq 4 &\iff \ell = 4 ; \text{true} \\ \ell = x + y + 4 &\iff \ell = x ; \ell = y ; \ell = 4 \end{aligned}$$

- 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...

- 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.

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Introduction

- **Observables and Evolutions** ✓
- **Duration Calculus (DC)** ✓
- **Semantical Correctness Proofs** ✓
- **DC Decidability** ✓
- **DC Implementables** } 8-10
- **PLC-Automata** }
- **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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