

Model Checking for Compositional Models of General Linear Time

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Introduction

- ▶ Real Temporal Logic: Simple, Expressively complete re: First Order Monadic Logic of Order.
- ▶ French et al. [2012] proposed a language of model expressions, based on pioneering work of Lauchli and Leonard [1966], Burdess and Gurevich [1985], Reynolds [2001, 2010]
 - ▶ Complete: Every satisfiable formula has a model in this language.
- ▶ Have complete and finite representations of models for Real Temporal Logic formulas
 - ▶ Obvious question: Can we Model Check?
 - ▶ Yes, and generalise to General Linear Time
 - ▶ And we have an efficient implementation [McCabe-Dansted, 2012]

Compositional Model Expressions

Model Expressions are an abstract syntax to define models using the following set of primitive operators based on the four operations:

$$\mathcal{I} ::= a \mid \lambda \mid \mathcal{I} + \mathcal{J} \mid \overleftarrow{\mathcal{I}} \mid \overrightarrow{\mathcal{I}} \mid \langle \mathcal{I}_0, \dots, \mathcal{I}_n \rangle$$

where $a \in \Sigma = 2^L$ so the letter indicates the atoms true at a point. We refer to these operators, respectively, as a letter, the empty order, concatenation, lead, trail, and shuffle.

- ▶ How does this relate to a model like $(\mathbb{Q}, <, g)$?

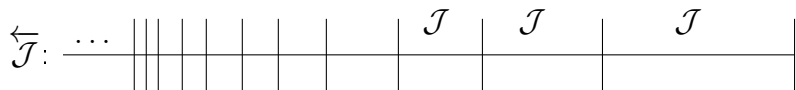
Correspondence

We define whether a model expression corresponds to a model recursively as follows: (or more formally in paper)

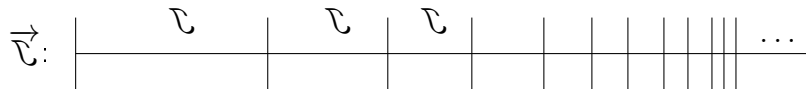
- ▶ A letter a corresponds to a single point at which the set of atoms satisfied is a .
- ▶ The empty order λ corresponds to an empty (psuedo-frame)
- ▶ The concatenation $\mathcal{I} + \mathcal{J}$ corresponds to a model where first \mathcal{I} , then \mathcal{J} .
- ▶ The lead $\overleftarrow{\mathcal{I}}$ corresponds to an infinite number of repeats of \mathcal{I} , forming a limit point on the left.
- ▶ The trail $\overrightarrow{\mathcal{I}}$ corresponds to an infinite number of repeats of \mathcal{I} , forming a limit point on the right.
- ▶ A shuffle $\langle \mathcal{I}_0, \dots, \mathcal{I}_n \rangle$ corresponds to a dense mixture of $\mathcal{I}_0, \dots, \mathcal{I}_n$.

Lead: $\mathcal{I} = \overleftarrow{\mathcal{J}}$

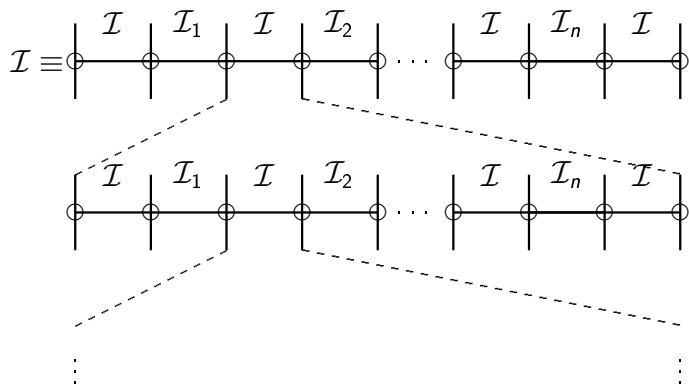
Here is a lead $\overleftarrow{\mathcal{J}}$.



A trail $\overrightarrow{\mathcal{V}}$ is just the mirror image of $\overleftarrow{\mathcal{J}}$.



Shuffle $\mathcal{I} = \langle \mathcal{I}_1, \dots, \mathcal{I}_n \rangle$

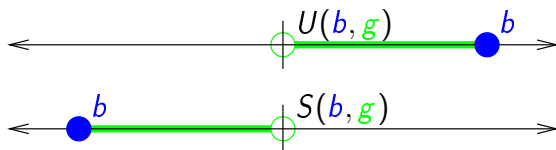


Language of Until and Since

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$$\phi ::= p \mid \neg\phi \mid \phi \wedge \phi \mid U(p, q) \mid S(p, q)$$

- ▶ In RTL:



- ▶ The US/L Logic like RTL, but models can be over any linear flow of time (not just Reals, e.g. Integers).

An Example: Zeno

If we walk into a wall: we will halve the distance; whenever we have halved the distance, we will halve the distance again, but only after a period of not halving the distance; once we have reached the wall we will not halve the distance anymore; and finally, we reach the wall. Where h represents “we have halved the distance” and r represents “we have reached the wall”. The US/L formula for the intended expression is:

$$Fh \wedge G(h \rightarrow U(h, \neg h)) \wedge G(r \rightarrow G\neg h) \wedge Fr .$$

We see that this does not cause a contradiction as this formula is satisfied at the leftmost point x of any structure \mathbf{T} corresponding to $\overrightarrow{\{h\} + \emptyset + \{r\}}$.

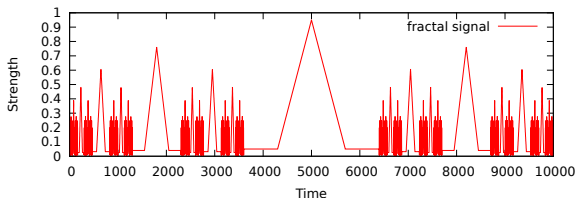
An Example: Detector

At some sporting event, it may be that a player is awarded a point if the ball bounces twice. An automated system may detect such bounces and make a ruling as to whether to award a point. The system may poll a given sensor, to determine whether a bounce has occurred since the previous polling event. If the system detects two bounces it awards a point. Where b indicates that a bounce has just occurred, s indicates that system has just checked its sensor, and e indicates the end of the round.

The player deserves a point precisely if $\theta = F(b \wedge F(b \wedge Fe))$ holds while the system awards a point precisely where the formula $\theta_s = F(b \wedge F(s \wedge F(b \wedge F(s \wedge Fe))))$ holds. The result is correct if $\theta \leftrightarrow \theta_s$ holds. We can verify the result is correct for a run of the system against the environment described by the ME:

$\{s\} + \{b\} + \{s\} + \{s\} + \{b\} + \{s\} + \overrightarrow{\{b\}} + \{e\}$

An Example: Fractal Signal



Let p represent an increment, q describe a decrement, and r represent a constant signal, then we can model this signal using :

$$\langle\langle r \rangle + \langle p \rangle + \langle q \rangle + \langle r \rangle\rangle$$

Some properties of this signal can be represented in $L(U, S)$, for example we can reach a region of increment directly from a constant region so $r \wedge U(p, r \vee p)$ is satisfied within the model. However, we cannot reach a region of increment directly from a region of decrement, so $q \wedge U(p, q)$ is satisfied nowhere.

Model Checking

Definition

We define the model checking problem as follows: given an ME \mathcal{I} and formula ϕ , determine whether there exists a structure $\mathbf{T} = (T, <, h)$ corresponded to by \mathcal{I} and point $x \in T$ such that $\mathbf{T}, x \models \phi$.

A traditional approach to model checking is to add subformula as atoms

Definition

The model checking procedure takes as input an ME \mathcal{I} and formula ϕ . We enumerate the subformulas ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_n of ϕ from shortest to longest (so $\phi_n = \phi$), let $\mathcal{I}_0 = \mathcal{I}$, and $\mathcal{I}_i = \text{add_atom}_i(\mathcal{I}_{i-1})$ for each $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$. Finally, we return “true” if there is a letter a in \mathcal{I}_n such that $\phi \in a$, and “false” otherwise.

Adding \wedge and \neg as atoms

Addin PC formulas as atoms is trivial consider:

| | ϕ | \mathcal{I} |
|---|------------------------------------|--|
| 1 | $(a \wedge b) \wedge \neg c$ | $\{a, b\} + \{c\}$ |
| 2 | $(a \wedge b) \wedge p_{\neg c}$ | $\{a, b, p_{\neg c}\} + \{c\}$ |
| 3 | $p_{a \wedge b} \wedge p_{\neg c}$ | $\{a, b, p_{a \wedge b}, p_{\neg c}\} + \{c\}$ |
| 4 | $p_{(a \wedge b) \wedge \neg c}$ | $\{a, b, p_{a \wedge b}, p_{\neg c}, p_{(a \wedge b) \wedge \neg c}\} + \{c\}$ |

Pre(satisfaction)

“pre(\mathcal{K}, \dashv)” is true if $U(p, q)$ is true before \mathcal{K} where

- ▶ \mathcal{K} is an ME
- ▶ And \dashv means “ $U(p, q)$ ” is true after \mathcal{K}

Definition

We define a function “pre” from Booleans and MEs to Booleans such that: for any Boolean \dashv and pair of MEs \mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}

1. $\text{pre}(a, \dashv) = p \in a \vee (\dashv \wedge q \in a)$
2. $\text{pre}(\mathcal{I} + \mathcal{J}, \dashv) = \text{pre}(\mathcal{I}, \text{pre}(\mathcal{J}, \dashv))$
3. $\text{pre}(\overrightarrow{\mathcal{I}}, \dashv) = \text{pre}(\mathcal{I}, \dashv) = \text{pre}(\mathcal{I}, \text{pre}(\mathcal{I}, \dashv))$
4. $\text{pre}(\mathcal{J}, \dashv) = (\dashv \vee \exists l \in L(\mathcal{J}) \text{ s.t. } p \in l) \wedge \forall l \in L(\mathcal{J}), q \in l$; where \mathcal{J} is of the form $\overleftarrow{\mathcal{I}}$ or $\langle \dots \rangle$ and $L(\mathcal{J})$ is the set of letters within \mathcal{J} .

Adding Until as an Atom

Definition

We define $\text{add_atom}_{U(p,q)}(\mathcal{I})$ as $t(\mathcal{I}, \perp)$: where t is a function that takes an ME and a Boolean as input, and outputs an ME as follows: for any Boolean \perp , pair of MEs \mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J} and sequence of MEs $\mathcal{I}_0, \dots, \mathcal{I}_n$

1. $t(a, \perp) = \begin{cases} a & \text{if } \perp = \perp \\ a \cup \{U(p, q)\} & \text{if } \perp = \top \end{cases}$
2. $t(\mathcal{I} + \mathcal{J}, \perp) = t(\mathcal{I}, \text{pre}(\mathcal{J}, \perp)) + t(\mathcal{J}, \perp)$
3. $t(\overleftarrow{\mathcal{I}}, \perp) = \overleftarrow{t(\mathcal{I}, \text{pre}(\mathcal{I}, \perp))} + t(\mathcal{I}, \perp)$
4. $t(\overrightarrow{\mathcal{I}}, \perp) = \overrightarrow{t(\mathcal{I}, \text{pre}(\mathcal{I}, \perp))}$
5. $t(\mathcal{K}, \perp) = \langle t(\mathcal{I}_0, \perp'), \dots, t(\mathcal{I}_n, \perp') \rangle$ where $\mathcal{K} = \langle \mathcal{I}_0, \dots, \mathcal{I}_n \rangle$ and $\perp' = \text{pre}(\mathcal{K}, \perp)$

Complexity (1)

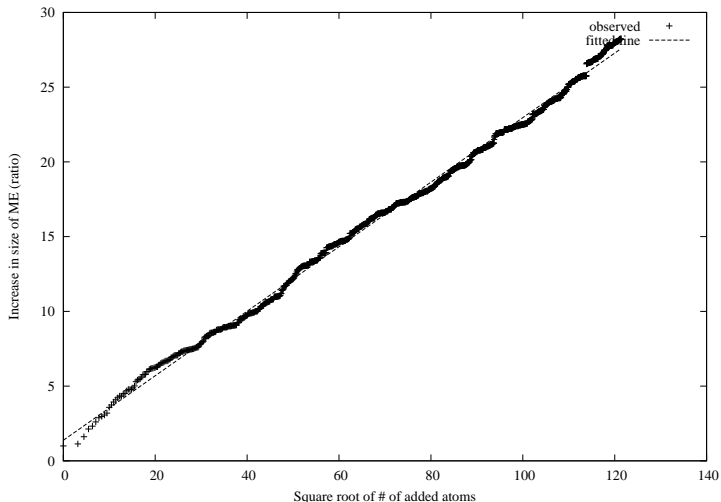
- ▶ Addin one Until: $\overleftarrow{\mathcal{I}} \rightsquigarrow \overleftarrow{\mathcal{I}}_0 + \mathcal{I}_1$
- ▶ Addin n Untils: $\overleftarrow{\mathcal{I}} \rightsquigarrow \overleftarrow{\mathcal{I}}_0 + \mathcal{I}_1 + \cdots + \mathcal{I}_n$
- ▶ With m nested leads, has $\approx (n+1)^m$ len th
- ▶ $\mathcal{O}(|\phi|^{|\mathcal{I}|})$
- ▶ **Polynomial in Length of the Formula**

Complexity (2)

Traditionally we want model checking to be polynomial in the Model

- ▶ Represent MEs as Directed Acyclic Graphs (1 node per unique subME)
- ▶ Each unique \mathcal{I} becomes $t(\mathcal{I}, \top)$ or $t(\mathcal{I}, \perp)$
- ▶ Add in U as atom **doubles triples** # unique nodes
 - ▶ E.g. $\overleftarrow{\{p\}}$ becomes $\overleftarrow{\{p, U(p, p)\}} + \{p\}$
- ▶ $|\mathcal{I}| 3^{|\mathcal{I}|}$ nodes (or $|\mathcal{I}| |\phi| 2^{|\mathcal{I}|}$)
- ▶ Linear in Length of ME

Benchmark: Random Square Problem(s)



Plot of growth of $|\mathcal{I}_n|/|\mathcal{I}_0|$ vs. \sqrt{n} for $2^{15} \times 2^{15}$ problem
Estimated Space: $\approx |\mathcal{I}| |\phi|^{3=2}$ and Time $\approx |\mathcal{I}| |\phi|^{5=2}$

Ongoing Work

Every RTL model M of an formula ϕ is also a US/L model.

- ▶ Can model check Real MEs using same model checker
- ▶ Minor Detail: MEs correspond to countable structures

Expressive completeness re Linear flows requires Stavi
Until/Since

- ▶ Can translate into RTL using special atom c for aps .

Can translate Metrics with error into RTL.

Conclusions

- ▶ ME provide models for all RTL formulas.
- ▶ Found efficient model checker:
 - ▶ Polynomial in Length of Formula
 - ▶ Linear in length of ME
 - ▶ Moderate \sqrt{n} growth on random formulas
 - ▶ But PSPACE-Complete in general (Present at TIME 2013)
- ▶ Extensions for Metrics, Stavi etc. inpro res.

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NP-Hardness (PSPACE-Hardness)

We can show NP-Hardness (extend to PSPACE-hardness in Paper)

1. $\mathcal{I}_1 = \overleftarrow{p_0} + q_0$
2. $\mathcal{I}_i = \overleftarrow{p_i + \mathcal{I}_{i-1}} + q_i$

SAT problem: Is $\phi = (r_1 \wedge r_0) \vee \neg r_0$ satisfiable

- ▶ replace r_i with $r'_i = U(q_i, \neg p_i)$
 - ▶ i.e. $\phi' = (U(q_1, \neg p_1) \wedge U(q_0, \neg p_0)) \vee \neg U(q_0, \neg p_0)$
- ▶ if n atoms in ϕ : model check \mathcal{I}_n against ϕ'

Example

- ▶ Model check against \mathcal{I}_1 (or \mathcal{I}_{n-1} if n atoms in ϕ)
- ▶ $\mathcal{I}_2 = p_1 + \overleftarrow{p_0} + q_0 + q_1$
- ▶ $\mathcal{I}_2 \rightsquigarrow p_1 + \overleftarrow{\{p_0\}} + \{p_0, U(q_0, \neg p_0)\} + q_0 + q_1$
- ▶ $\mathcal{I}_2 \rightsquigarrow p_1 + \overleftarrow{\{p_0\}} + \{p_0, U(q_0, \neg p_0)\} + q_0 + \overleftarrow{\{p_0, U(q_1, \neg p_1)\}} + \{p_0, U(q_0, \neg p_0), U(q_1, \neg p_1)\} + q_1$

PSPACE

We use a recursively defined function \mathfrak{A} . Informally,
 $\mathfrak{A}(\mathcal{I}, \Phi, \phi) = (\Theta, \Psi)$ means

- ▶ if we have an interval \mathbf{T}_V that corresponds to \mathcal{I}
 - ▶ Φ is the set of formulas in \mathbb{U} presatisfied immediately after V in \mathbf{T}
 - ▶ we are only interested in ϕ and subformulas of ϕ ,
- ▶ Then it must be the case that the set of formulas satisfied within \mathbf{T}_V is Θ ,
 - ▶ and the set formulas in \mathbb{U} presatisfied immediately before V in \mathbf{T} is Ψ .
 - ▶ The formula ϕ indicates that we are only interested in whether $\phi \in \Theta$ and so we can limit ourselves to subformulas of ϕ and their negations. The algorithm works by generating increasing accurate approximations to (Θ, Ψ) that are accurate up to some subformula ϕ_j .

Excerpt of Recursive Function \mathfrak{A}

Definition

Let \mathcal{K} be an ME, and Φ be a set of formulae. We define $\mathfrak{A}(\mathcal{K}; \Phi)$ to be the pair of sets of formulas $(\Theta; \Psi)$ as follows.

We consider various possible forms of \mathcal{K} . The first case we consider is a letter. In the following construction we build increasingly accurate approximations of $(\Theta; \Psi)$: for each j we have $\Theta_j \approx_{\leq j} \Theta$ and $\Psi_j \approx_{\leq j} \Psi$.

Case 0. $\mathcal{K} = \cdot$. Since \mathcal{K} corresponds to the empty pseudo frame it cannot satisfy any formula so we let $\Theta = \emptyset$, likewise it cannot affect pre or postsatisfaction so $\Psi = \Phi$.

Case 1. \mathcal{K} is a letter:

- ▶ $\Theta_0 = \emptyset, \Psi_0 = \emptyset$
- ▶ for each i :
 - ▶ We let Θ_i be a set such that $\Theta_i \setminus \{i\} = \Theta_{i-1} \setminus \{i\}$ and: if i is of the form \neg then $i \in \Theta_i$ iff $i \in \Theta_{i-1}$; if i is of the form \wedge then $i \in \Theta_i$ iff $i \in \Theta_{i-1} \wedge i \in \Theta_{i-1}$; if i is an atom then $i \in \Theta_i$ iff $i \in \mathcal{K}$; if $i \in \mathbb{U} \cup \mathbb{S}$ then $i \in \Theta_i$ iff $i \in \Phi$.
 - ▶ $i \in \Psi$ iff i is of the form $U(i;)$ or $S(i;)$ and either $i \in \Theta_i$ or $(i \in \Theta_i) \wedge (i \in \Phi)$.
 - ▶ We let Θ be the minimal expansion of Θ_n such that for each i , we have $i \in \Theta$ iff $i \in \Theta_n$ and $\neg i \in \Theta$ iff $i \in \Theta_n$. We add the negations into Θ so that when we have an ME with multiple letters we can express “occurs everywhere” as $\neg i \in \Theta$.