



Probabilistic Model Checking

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So far: Reachability Probabilities and how to compute them.

Today: More expressive properties!



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Bottom Strongly Connected Components

We have heard about SCCs already

Recap: A *strongly connected component* is set of states, such that there is a path between any two states in the component.

A bottom SCC is an SCC such that no state outside the SCC is reachable.

This will come in quite handy later today!



Longterm Behaviour of MCs

From the two discussed properties we can deduce the following:

 $Pr\{\pi \in Paths(s) \mid \inf(\pi) \in BSCC(\mathcal{M})\} = 1$

In words: Almost surely a BSCC will be reached and all of its states will be visited infinitely often.



Probabilistic Computation Tree Logic

Probabilistic Computation Tree Logic [PCTL] is the probabilistic extension of CTL.

- Boolean state representation.
- $orall ext{ and } \exists ext{ are replaced by } \mathbb{P}_J(arphi) ext{, where } J \subseteq [0,1]$ $\circ ext{ The interpretation for each state } s \in S ext{: } Pr(\mathcal{M},s \models arphi) \in J$



PCTL - Syntax

Subdivision into *state* (Φ)- and *path*-formulae (φ):

$$egin{array}{lll} \Phi::=true & \ &\mid a & \ &\mid \Phi_1 \wedge \Phi_2 & \ &\mid
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 $arphi ::= \mathbf{X} \Phi \ \mid \Phi_1 \ \mathbf{U} \ \Phi_2 \ \mid \Phi_1 \ \mathbf{U} \stackrel{\leq n}{=} \Phi_2$

where $a \in AP$ and $J \subseteq [0,1]$.



PCTL - Satisfaction Relation

For a given state $s\in S$

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$s \models a$	$\text{ iff } a \in L(s),$
$s\models\neg\varphi$	$\text{iff }s\nvDash\varphi,$
$s\models\varphi\wedge\psi$	$ ext{iff } s \models arphi ext{ and } s \models \psi, ext{}$
$s\models \mathbb{P}_J(\varphi)$	$\operatorname{iff} Pr(s\modelsarphi)\in J$

For paths $\pi \in \mathcal{M}$:

$$egin{array}{ll} \pi \models \mathbf{X}arphi & ext{iff} & \pi[1] \models arphi \ \pi \models arphi & \mathbf{U} \ \psi & ext{iff} & \exists j \geq 0. \ (\pi[j] \models \psi \land (orall 0 \leq k < j. \ \pi[k] \models arphi) \ \pi \models arphi & \mathbf{U} \ ^{\leq n} \psi & ext{iff} & \exists 0 \leq j \leq n. \ (\pi[j] \models \psi \land (orall 0 \leq k < j. \ \pi[k] \models arphi) \end{array}$$



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PCTL - Semantics

 $s\models \mathbb{P}_J(arphi) ext{ iff } Pr(s\models arphi)\in J$

We will use shorthand notations:

- $\mathbb{P}_{=1} = \mathbb{P}_{[1,1]}$
- $\mathbb{P}_{\geq 0.5} = \mathbb{P}_{[0.5,1]}$
- $\mathbb{P}_{>0} = \mathbb{P}_{(0,1]}$
- etc.



Model Checking PCTL

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The interesting subformulae are of the form $\psi = \mathbb{P}_J(arphi)$

In order to compute $Sat(\mathbb{P}_J(arphi))$ we need to compute $Pr(s\modelsarphi)$ for all $s\in S$, then

$$Sat(\mathbb{P}_J(arphi)) = \{s \in S \mid Pr(s \models arphi) \in J\}$$



Model Checking PCTL: X-Operator



Model Checking PCTL: \mathbf{X} -Operator

A single matrix-vector multiplication

 $(Pr(\mathcal{M}, s \models \mathbf{X}\psi))_{s \in S} = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{b}_{\psi}$ where $\mathbf{b}_{arphi}(s) = 1$ iff $s \in Sat(arphi)$ Sat $(\mathbb{P}_J(\mathbf{X}arphi)) = \{s \in S \mid (\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{b}_{arphi})(s) \in J\}$



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$$Pr(\mathcal{M},s\modelsarphi \, {f U}\,^{\leq n}\psi) = egin{cases} 0 & ext{if}\, s\in S_{=0} \ 1 & ext{if}\, s\in S_{=1} \ 0 & ext{if}\, s\in S_{=1} \ \sum_{s'\in S} Pr(s,s')\cdot Pr(\mathcal{M},s'\modelsarphi \, {f U}\,^{\leq n-1}\psi) & ext{else} \end{cases}$$



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- We let $\mathbf{A}_{arphi,\psi}$ be the matrix of the induced Markov chain $\mathcal{M}[S_{=1}\cup S_{=0}]$
- The probability for $n=0\colon (Pr(\mathcal{M},s\modelsarphi \, {f U}\,^{\leq 0}\psi))_{s\in S}={f b}_\psi$
- With multiple matrix-vector multiplications: $(Pr(\mathcal{M},s\models arphi \, \mathbf{U}^{\leq i}\psi))_{s\in S} = \mathbf{A}_{arphi,\psi} \cdot (Pr(\mathcal{M},s\models arphi \, \mathbf{U}^{\leq i-1}\psi))_{s\in S}$



Model Checking PCTL: U -Operator



Model Checking PCTL: ${\bf U}$ -Operator

We can use the same procedure as discussed in the last lecture:

- We compute: • $S_{=1} = \operatorname{Sat}(\mathbb{P}_{=1}(\varphi \operatorname{\mathbf{U}} \psi))$ and $S_{=0} = \operatorname{Sat}(\mathbb{P}_{=0}(\varphi \operatorname{\mathbf{U}} \psi))$
- Computing the probabilities for $S_{?}$ by solving a linear equation system.



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Model Checking PCTL - Time Complexity

We denote with $size(\mathcal{M})$ the number of states plut the number of transitions (s,s') for which $\mathbb{P}(s,s')>0$.

- X-Operator: $\mathcal{O}(poly(size(\mathcal{M})))$
- $\mathbf{U}^{\leq n}$ -Operator: Let n_{max} be the maximal step-bound appearing in any subformula. $\mathcal{O}(n_{max} \cdot poly(size(\mathcal{M})))$
- U -Operator: $\mathcal{O}(poly(size(\mathcal{M})))$

In total we have that the model checking problem $\mathcal{M},s\models arphi$ can be solved in

 $\mathcal{O}(n_{max} \cdot poly(size(\mathcal{M})) \cdot |arphi|)$

where $|\varphi|$ is the amount of subformulae to be checked.



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PCTL*

As with CTL* we drop the requirement to prefix every linear operator with \mathbb{P}_J .





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Such formulae $\psi = \mathbb{P}_J(\varphi)$, where φ is an LTL formula need special treatment:

- All maximal state subformulae in arphi are replaced by their satisfaction set to get LTL formulae arphi'.

$$\bullet \ Sat(\mathbb{P}_J(\varphi)) = \{s \in S \mid Pr(s \models \varphi) \in J\}$$

We need to use *automata-based* techniques to compute such satisfaction sets.



Product-MC

Intuition: The automata acts as a *witness* for arphi'





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Product-MC

Let $\mathcal{M}=(S,\mathbb{P},s_0,AP,L)$ be a Markov chain and $\mathcal{A}=(Q,2^{AP},\delta,q_0,F)$ be a DFA. $\mathcal{M}\otimes\mathcal{A}=(S imes Q,\mathbb{P}',\langle s,q_s
angle,\{\mathrm{acc}\},L')$

$$\begin{array}{l} \bullet \ L'(\langle s,q\rangle)=\{\mathrm{acc}\} \ \mathrm{if} \ q\in F, \ L'(\langle s,q\rangle)=\emptyset \ \mathrm{else}, \\ \bullet \ \mathbb{P}'(\langle s,q\rangle,\langle s',q'\rangle)=\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbb{P}(s,s') & \mathrm{if} \ q'=\delta(q,L(s')) \\ 0 & \mathrm{else} \end{array} \right. \end{array}$$



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Each path fragment $\pi = s_0 s_1 s_2 \dots$ in \mathcal{M} there exists a unique run $q_0 q_1 q_2 \dots$ in \mathcal{A} .

This works in a similar fashion for different types of automata, after small modifications of the set of accepting states.



A very brief overview:

Let $\mathcal M$ be a Markov chain and $\mathcal A$ a deterministic automata.

Safety Properties - Something bad should never happen

Let P_{safe} be a safety property and \mathcal{A} a **DFA** for the set of bad prefixes of P_{safe} . We are interested in $Pr(\mathcal{M}, s \models P_{safe}) = Pr(\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{A}, \langle s, q_s \rangle \nvDash \mathbf{F} \operatorname{acc})$ $= 1 - Pr(\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{A}, \langle s, q_s \rangle \models \mathbf{F} \operatorname{acc})$



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DBA-Definable Properties

Let P be a property that can be described by a **deterministic Büchi automata** \mathcal{A} . We are interested in

$$Pr(\mathcal{M},s\models\mathcal{A})=Pr(\mathcal{M}\otimes\mathcal{A},\langle s,q_s
angle\models\mathbf{GF} ext{ acc})$$

Recall that the longterm behaviour of ${\cal M}$ guarantees that we end up in a BSCC T and see all states in T infinitely often.

This means that we only need to solve a reachability problem in $\mathcal{M}\otimes\mathcal{A}!$



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DRA-Based Analysis

Let P be an ω -regular property. P can be described by a **deterministic Rabin automata** \mathcal{A} .

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We can work with BSCCs again!

T is an accepting BSCC if: $T \cap (S imes L_i) = \emptyset$ and $T \cap (S imes K_i)
eq \emptyset$

Let
$$U = igcup_{T \ an \ accepting \ BSCC} T$$
, then $Pr(\mathcal{M}, s \models \mathcal{A}) = Pr(\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{A}, \langle s, q_s \rangle \models \mathbf{F} \ U)$



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Example

Knuth-Yao-Die: Simulating a die only using a fair coin.





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Example

dtmc

module die

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s : [0..7] init 0;
d : [0..6] init 0;
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[] s=0 -> 0.5 : (s'=1) + 0.5 : (s'=2);
[] s=1 -> 0.5 : (s'=3) + 0.5 : (s'=4);
[] s=2 -> 0.5 : (s'=5) + 0.5 : (s'=6);
[] s=3 -> 0.5 : (s'=1) + 0.5 : (s'=7) & (d'=1);
[] s=4 -> 0.5 : (s'=7) & (d'=2) + 0.5 : (s'=7) & (d'=3);
[] s=5 -> 0.5 : (s'=7) & (d'=4) + 0.5 : (s'=7) & (d'=5);
[] s=6 -> 0.5 : (s'=2) + 0.5 : (s'=7) & (d'=6);
[] s=7 -> 1: (s'=7);
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endmodule

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label "one" = s=7&d=1;
label "two" = s=7&d=2;
label "three" = s=7&d=3;
label "done" = s=7;
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P>=1/6 [F (s=4 & X (s=7&d=3))]; P=? [(F (X (s=6 & (XX s=5)))) & (F G (d!=5))];