Quantitative Verification The Good, The Bad and The Ugly

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> quantitative model quantitative specification

> > Mod Spec |=

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$$
\bullet\ \mathsf{Mod} \models \mathsf{Spec}_1 \ \& \ \mathsf{Spec}_1 \leq \mathsf{Spec}_2 \implies \mathsf{Mod} \models \mathsf{Spec}_2
$$

• Mod \models Spec₁ & Mod \models Spec₂ \implies Mod \models Spec₁ \land Spec₂

• Mod₁ \models Spec₁ & Mod₂ \models Spec₂ \Longrightarrow Mod₁ || Mod₂ \models Spec₁ || Spec₂

 \bullet Mod₁ \models Spec₁ & Mod₂ \models Spec/Spec₁ \Longrightarrow Mod₁ \parallel Mod₂ \models Spec

bottom-up and top-down

$$
\bullet\ \mathsf{Mod} \models_\varepsilon \mathsf{Spec}_1 \ \&\ \mathsf{Spec}_1 \leq_\varepsilon \mathsf{Spec}_2 \ \Longrightarrow\ \mathsf{Mod} \models_\varepsilon \mathsf{Spec}_2
$$

$$
\bullet\ \mathsf{Mod}\models_\varepsilon\mathsf{Spec}_1\ \&\ \mathsf{Mod}\models_\varepsilon\mathsf{Spec}_2\implies\mathsf{Mod}\models_\varepsilon\mathsf{Spec}_1\wedge\mathsf{Spec}_2
$$

$$
\bullet\ \mathsf{Mod}_1 \models_\varepsilon \mathsf{Spec}_1 \ \&\ \mathsf{Mod}_2 \models_\varepsilon \mathsf{Spec}_2 \implies \mathsf{Mod}_1 \parallel \mathsf{Mod}_2 \models_\varepsilon \mathsf{Spec}_1 \parallel \mathsf{Spec}_2
$$

$$
\bullet \ \mathsf{Mod}_1 \models_\varepsilon \mathsf{Spec}_1 \ \& \ \mathsf{Mod}_2 \models_\varepsilon \mathsf{Spec}/\mathsf{Spec}_1 \implies \mathsf{Mod}_1 \parallel \mathsf{Mod}_2 \models_\varepsilon \mathsf{Spec}
$$

surely not the same *ε* everywhere!?

"In your quantitative verification, what type of distances do you use?"

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$$
D(\sigma,\tau)=\max\left\{\begin{array}{c}\sup_{i}\inf_{j}\{|t_{i}-s_{j}|\mid a_{i}=b_{j}\}\\ \sup_{j}\inf_{i}\{|t_{i}-s_{j}|\mid a_{i}=b_{j}\}\end{array}\right.
$$

- In quantitative verification, lots of different distances
- Develop theory to cover all/most of them
	- idea: use bisimulation games
- \Rightarrow The Quantitative Linear-Time–Branching-Time Spectrum QAPL 2011, FSTTCS 2011, TCS 2014

Challenge (ca. 2012):

- How to make this compositional?
- Still not satisfied!

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van Glabbeek 1990 (excerpt):

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The Linear-Time–Branching-Time Spectrum

van Glabbeek 1990 (excerpt):

b $\left\langle \right\rangle$ **c**

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a

b $\left\langle \right\rangle$ **c**

Č

 a / a

a

b $\left\langle \right\rangle$ **c**

Č

 $a /$ **a**

Spoiler wins

b $\left\langle \right\rangle$ **c**

 \subset

- 1. Player 1 chooses edge from s (leading to s')
- 2. Player 2 chooses matching edge from t (leading to t')
- 3. Game continues from configuration s' , t'
- *ω*. If Player 2 can always answer: YES, t simulates s. Otherwise: NO
- Or, as an Ehrenfeucht-Fraïssé game ("delayed evaluation"):
	- 1. Player 1 chooses edge from s (leading to s')
	- 2. Player 2 chooses edge from t (leading to t')
	- 3. Game continues from new configuration s' , t'
	- *ω*. At the end (maybe after infinitely many rounds!), compare the chosen traces: If the trace chosen by t matches the one chosen by s : YES Otherwise: NO

Quantitative Ehrenfeucht-Fraïssé Games

The quantitative setting:

- Assume we have a way, possibly application-determined, to measure distances of (finite or infinite) traces
- a hemimetric $D : (\sigma, \tau) \mapsto D(\sigma, \tau) \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \cup \{\infty\}$

The quantitative Ehrenfeucht-Fraïssé game:

- 1. Player 1 chooses edge from s (leading to s')
- 2. Player 2 chooses edge from t (leading to t')
- 3. Game continues from new configuration s' , t'
- *ω*. At the end, compare the chosen traces $σ$, $τ$: The simulation distance from s to t is defined to be $D(\sigma, \tau)$
	- Player 1 plays to maximize $D(\sigma, \tau)$; Player 2 plays to minimize

This can be generalized to all the games in the LTBT spectrum.

simulation pr. Uli Fahrenberg 26/53

 \rightarrow trace inc.

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Quantitative EF Games: Some Details

- Configuration of the game: (*π, ρ*): *π* the Player-1 choices up to now; *ρ* the Player-2 choices
- Strategy: mapping from configurations to next moves
	- Θ_i : set of Player-*i* strategies
- Simulation strategy: Player-1 moves allowed from end of *π*
- Bisimulation strategy: Player-1 moves allowed from end of *π* or end of *ρ*
	- (hence π and ρ are generally not paths "mingled paths")
- Pair of strategies \implies (possibly infinite) sequence of configurations
- **•** Take the limit; unmingle \implies pair of (possibly infinite) traces (σ, τ)
- Bisimulation distance: sup inf $d_{\mathcal{T}}(\sigma,\tau)$ *θ*1∈Θ¹ *θ*2∈Θ²
- Simulation distance: sup inf $θ_1 ∈ Θ_1⁰$ $θ_2 ∈ Θ_2$

(*restricting Player 1's capabilities*)

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Blind Player-1 strategies: depend only on the end of *ρ*

- ("cannot see Player-2 moves")
- $\tilde{\Theta}_1$: set of blind Player-1 strategies
- Trace inclusion distance: sup inf $d_{\mathcal{T}}(\sigma,\tau)$ $θ_1$ ∈Θ $_1^0$ $θ_2$ ∈Θ₂

For nesting: count the number of times Player 1 switches between end of *π* and end of *ρ*

- Θ_1^k : k switches allowed
- Nested simulation distance: $\,$ sup $\,$ inf $\,$ $d_{\mathcal{T}}(\sigma,\tau)$ $θ_1$ ∈Θ₁^{$θ_2$}∈Θ₂

Nested trace inclusion distance: sup inf $d_{\mathcal{T}}(\sigma,\tau)$ (!) $θ_1$ ∈ $\tilde{\Theta}$ ¹₁ $θ_2$ ∈ Θ ₂

For ready: allow extra "I'll see you" Player-1 transition from end of *ρ*

Transfer Theorem

Theorem

If two equivalences or preorders are inequivalent in the qualitative setting, and the trace distance D is separating, then the corresponding QLTBT distances are topologically inequivalent.

Theorem

If the trace distance $D : (\sigma, \tau) \mapsto d(\sigma, \tau)$ has a decomposition $d = g \circ f : \text{Tr} \times \text{Tr} \to L \to \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \cup {\infty}$ through a complete lattice L, and f has a recursive characterization, i.e., such that $f(a.\sigma, b.\tau) = F(a, b, f(\sigma, \tau))$ for some $F: \Sigma \times \Sigma \times L \rightarrow L$ which is monotone in the third coordinate, then all distances in the corresponding QLTBT spectrum are given as least fixed points of some functionals using F.

All trace distances I know can be expressed recursively like this.

- except ABD'18?
- L is "memory"
- also gives relation family characterization

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Let Mod be a set of models with an equivalence \sim .

Definition

A complete specification theory for (Mod*,* ∼) is (Spec*,* ≤*,* ∥*, χ*) such that

- $\bullet \leq$ is a refinement preorder on Spec
- \bullet *χ* : Mod \rightarrow Spec picks out characteristic specifications
	- \bullet *i.e.*, ∀ $M_1, M_2 \in \mathsf{Mod}: M_1 \sim M_2 \iff \chi(M_1) \leq \chi(M_2)$

(Spec*,* ≤*,* ∥) forms a bounded commutative distributive residuated lattice up to ≤ ∩ ≥

⇒ ∨ and ∧ on Spec; double distributivity; ⊥*,* ⊤ ∈ Spec everything up to modal equivalence \equiv = \leq \cap >

⇒ ∥ distributes over ∨, has unit U, has residual */* (up to ≡)

 \mathcal{S}_1 ∥ $\mathcal{S}_2 \leq \mathcal{S}_3 \iff \mathcal{S}_2 \leq \mathcal{S}_3/\mathcal{S}_1$

- Disjunctive modal transition systems
- Acceptance automata
- **•** Hennessy-Milner logic with maximal fixed points
- CONCUR 2013, ICTAC 2014, I&C 2020 (all with \sim = bisimulation)

Let Σ be a finite alphabet.

Definition

A (nondeterministic) acceptance automaton (AA) is a structure $\mathcal{A} = (S, S^0, \mathsf{Tran})$, with $S\supseteq S^0$ finite sets of states and initial states and $\sf{Tran}:S\to 2^{2^{\Sigma\times S}}$ an assignment of *transition* constraints.

- standard labeled transition system (LTS): Tran : $S\to 2^{\mathsf{Z}\times S}$ (coalgebraic view)
- (for AA:) $\text{Tran}(s) = \{M_1, M_2, \dots\}$: provide M_1 or M_2 or \dots
- a disjunctive choice of conjunctive constraints
- J.-B. Raclet 2008 (but deterministic); see also H. H. Hansen 2003
- note multiple initial states

Definition

Let
$$
A_1 = (S_1, S_1^0, \text{Tran}_1)
$$
 and $A_2 = (S_2, S_2^0, \text{Tran}_2)$ be AA.
\nA relation $R \subseteq S_1 \times S_2$ is a modal refinement if:
\n $\forall s_1^0 \in S_1^0 : \exists s_2^0 \in S_2^0 : (s_1^0, s_2^0) \in R$
\n $\forall (s_1, s_2) \in R : \forall M_1 \in \text{Tran}_1(s_1) : \exists M_2 \in \text{Tran}_2(s_2)$:
\n $\forall (a, t_1) \in M_1 : \exists (a, t_2) \in M_2 : (t_1, t_2) \in R$
\n $\forall (a, t_2) \in M_2 : \exists (a, t_1) \in M_1 : (t_1, t_2) \in R$
\nWrite $A_1 \le A_2$ if there exists such a modal refinement.

• for any constraint choice M_1 there is a bisimilar choice M_2

- \bullet \mathcal{A}_1 has fewer choices than \mathcal{A}_2
- no more choices $\hat{=}$ only one $M \in \text{Tran}(s) \hat{=}$ LTS
- **•** formally: an embedding *χ* : LTS \hookrightarrow AA such that $\chi(\mathcal{L}_1) \leq \chi(\mathcal{L}_2)$ iff \mathcal{L}_1 and \mathcal{L}_2 are bisimilar

 $\text{Tran}((s_1, s_2)) = \{M \subseteq \Sigma \times S_1 \times S_2 \mid \pi_1(M) \in \text{Tran}_1(s_1), \pi_2(M) \in \text{Tran}_2(s_2)\}\$

Theorem

For all LTS $\mathcal L$ and AA $\mathcal A_1, \mathcal A_2$:

$$
\mathcal{L} \models \mathcal{A}_1 \lor \mathcal{A}_2 \iff \mathcal{L} \models \mathcal{A}_1 \text{ or } \mathcal{L} \models \mathcal{A}_2
$$

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\mathcal{L} \models \mathcal{A}_1 \land \mathcal{A}_2 \iff \mathcal{L} \models \mathcal{A}_1 \& \mathcal{L} \models \mathcal{A}_2
$$

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Let $A_1 = (S_1, S_1^0, \text{Tran}_1)$ and $A_2 = (S_2, S_2^0, \text{Tran}_2)$ be AA.

For $M_1 \subseteq \Sigma \times S_1$ and $M_2 \subseteq \Sigma \times S_2$, define

 $M_1 \parallel M_2 = \{(a, (t_1, t_2)) \mid (a, t_1) \in M_1, (a, t_2) \in M_2\}$

(assumes CSP synchronization, but can be generalized)

Let $\mathcal{A}_1 || \mathcal{A}_2 = (S_1 \times S_2, S_1^0 \times S_2^0, \text{Tran})$ with

 $\text{Tran}((s_1, s_2)) = \{M_1 || M_2 || M_1 \in \text{Tran}_1(s_1), M_2 \in \text{Tran}_2(s_2)\}\$

Theorem (independent implementability)

For all AA A_1 , A_2 , A_3 , A_4 :

$$
\mathcal{A}_1 \leq \mathcal{A}_3 \& \mathcal{A}_2 \leq \mathcal{A}_4 \implies \mathcal{A}_1 \| \mathcal{A}_2 \leq \mathcal{A}_3 \| \mathcal{A}_4
$$

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 and $A_2 = (S_2, S_2^0, \text{Tran}_2)$ be AA.
\nDefine $A_1/A_2 = (S, S^0, \text{Tran})$:
\n• $S = 2^{S_1 \times S_2}$
\n• write $S_2^0 = \{s_2^{0,1}, \ldots, s_2^{0,p}\}$ and let $S^0 = \{\{(s_1^{0,q}, s_2^{0,q}) | q \in \{1, \ldots, p\}\} | \forall q : s_1^{0,q} \in S_1^0\}$
\n• $\text{Tran} =$

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\n• $\text{Tran} =$

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\n• $\text{Tran} = \ldots$

Theorem

For all AA A_1 , A_2 , A_3 :

$$
\mathcal{A}_1 \Vert \mathcal{A}_2 \leq \mathcal{A}_3 \iff \mathcal{A}_2 \leq \mathcal{A}_3/\mathcal{A}_1
$$

• up to \equiv , / is the adjoint (or residual) of \parallel

Definition (recall)

A complete specification theory for (Mod*,* ∼) is (Spec*,* ≤*,* ∥*, χ*) such that

 $\bullet \leq$ is a refinement preorder on Spec

$$
\bullet \mathcal{M}_1 \sim \mathcal{M}_2 \iff \chi(\mathcal{M}_1) \leq \chi(\mathcal{M}_2)
$$

(Spec*,* ≤*,* ∥) forms a b.c.d. residuated lattice up to ≡

o generalize \sim by pseudometric d_{Mod}

$$
\bullet \ \ d_{\mathsf{Mod}}(\mathcal{M}_1, \mathcal{M}_2) = 0 \ \text{iff} \ \mathcal{M}_1 \sim \mathcal{M}_2
$$

o generalize \leq by hemimetric d

\n- \n
$$
d_{\text{Mod}}(\mathcal{M}_1, \mathcal{M}_2) = d(\chi(\mathcal{M}_1), \chi(\mathcal{M}_2))
$$
\n
\n- \n $d(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{S}) = d(\chi(\mathcal{M}), \mathcal{S})$ \n
\n

• still want (Spec, \leq , \parallel) to be a b.c.d. residuated lattice up to \equiv

For $DMTS/AA/HML_{max}$:

- \bullet d_{Mod} : any bisimulation distance
- \bullet d: corresponding modal refinement distance
- **■** transitivity ↔ triangle ineq.: $d(S_1, S_2) + d(S_2, S_3) \ge d(S_1, S_3)$
- \bullet d(S, S₁ ∧ S₂) = max(d(S, S₁), d(S, S₂)) or ∞
- \bullet d(S₁ ∨ S₂, S) = max(d(S₁, S), d(S₂, S)) or ∞
- **o** quotient is quantitative residual: $d(S_1||S_2, S_3) = d(S_2, S_3/S_1)$
- for \parallel itself, uniform continuity: a function $P : \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \times \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \to \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ such that $d(S_1||S_2, S_3||S_4) \leq P(d(S_1, S_3), d(S_2, S_4))$

The Bad and/or Ugly

- Any serious spectrographer needs to think about silent moves
- (van Glabbeek 1993: LTBT II)
- Bisping, Jansen 2023: Energy games for the weak spectrum
	- but uses power set for linear part (recall: we use blindness instead)
	- difficult to reconcile power set with quantitative setting
- o otherwise, some coalgebra approaches:
	- Sprunger, Katsumata, Dubut, Hasuo 2021: Fibrational bisimulations and quantitative reasoning
	- Ford, Milius, Schröder, Beohar, König 2022: Graded monads and behavioural equivalence games
	- Beohar, Gurke, König, Messing 2023: Hennessy-Milner theorems via Galois connections
	- again, power set seems very popular ...
- status: IT'S COMPLICATED

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Fig. 7. Schematic spectroscopy game \mathcal{G}_{\triangle} of Definition 10.

Asarin-Basset-Degorre Distance

Recall:

$$
D(\sigma,\tau) = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \sup_{i} \inf_{j} \{|t_i - s_j| \mid a_i = b_j\} \\ \sup_{j} \inf_{i} \{|t_i - s_j| \mid a_i = b_j\} \end{array} \right.
$$

- takes into account permutations of symbols which are close in timing
- but in a way which may lose symbols
- relation to timed pomsets? Amrane, Bazille, Clement, UF 2024: Languages of HDTA
- status: HOPEFUL

On the practical side, if we observed timed words with some finite precision (say $0.01s$), then it would be difficult to distinguish the order of close events, e.g. detect the difference between

 $w_1 = (a, 1), (b, 2), (c, 2.001)$ and $w_2 = (a, 1.001), (c, 1.999), (b, 2.001)$.

Moreover, it is even difficult to count the number of events that happen in a short lapse of time, e.g. the words w_1, w_2 look very similar to

$$
w_3 = (a, 1), (c, 1.999), (c, 2), (b, 2.001), (c, 2.0002).
$$

A slow observer, when receiving timed words w_1, w_2, w_3 will just sense an a at the date ≈ 1 and b and c at the date ≈ 2 .

As the main contribution of this paper, we introduce a metric on timed words (with non-fixed number of events) for which w_1, w_2, w_3 are very close to each other. We believe that this metric is natural and sets a ground for approximate model-checking and information theory of timed languages w.r.t. time (and not only number of events).

We present the first technical results concerning this distance:

Specification Theories for Real-Time Systems

Timed input-output automata:

- [David, Larsen, Legay, Nyman, Traonouez, Wąsowski 2015: Real-time specifications](http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s10009-013-0286-x)
- Goorden, Larsen, Legay, Lorber, Nyman, Wąsowski 2023: Timed I/O Automata: It is never too late to complete your timed specification theory
- **•** complete, with quotient, but without disjunction
- only deterministic specifications
- tool support: ECDAR / Uppaal TiGa (Aalborg)
- some work on robustness and implementability: Larsen, Legay, Traonouez, Wasowski 2014: [Robust synthesis for real-time systems](http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.tcs.2013.08.015)

Timed Input-Output Automata

Modal event-clock specifications:

- [Bertrand, Legay, Pinchinat, Raclet 2012: Modal event-clock specifications for timed](http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.scico.2011.01.007) [component-based design](http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.scico.2011.01.007)
- complete, with quotient, but without disjunction
- only deterministic specifications
- some work on robustness: [UF, Legay 2012: A robust specification theory for modal](http://dx.doi.org/10.4204/EPTCS.87.2) [event-clock automata](http://dx.doi.org/10.4204/EPTCS.87.2)

Synchronous time-triggered interface theories:

- [Delahaye, UF, Henzinger, Legay, Ničković 2012: Synchronous interface theories and time](http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/978-3-642-30793-5_13) [triggered scheduling](http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/978-3-642-30793-5_13)
- **•** no quotient, dubious conjunction, no implementation
- **o** relation to BIP

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Quesel, Fränzle, Damm 2011: Crossing the bridge between similar games

