Partial observation of timed systems

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Timed automata

- A finite control structure + variables (clocks)
- A transition is of the form:



• An invariant in each location

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 \rightarrow timed word (a, 4.1)(b, 5.5)

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A non-determinizable/non-complementable timed automaton:



Power of ε -transitions

[Bérard, Diekert, Gastin, Petit 1998]

Proposition

- ε -transitions can not be removed in timed automata.
- Timed automata with ε -transitions are strictly more expressive than timed automata without ε -transitions.





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An example, the car periphery supervision



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- Embedded system
- Hostile environment
- Sensors
 - distances
 - speeds

Control synthesis games

Environment against controller (Non-symmetrical game)

- some actions are controllable Σ_c
- some actions are uncontrollable Σ_u
- player "environment" can:
 - interrupt time elapsing,
 - enforce zeno behaviours
 - . . .
- a plant \mathcal{P} is a deterministic timed automaton over alphabet $\Sigma_c \cup \Sigma_u$ (it represents both real system and environment)

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- needs to be *non-blocking*: if there is no deadlock in the original plant, there will be no deadlock in the controlled system



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Decidability and complexity

- The **attractor** of a zone-definable set is computable.
- Winning states of safety and reachability games are computable.
- Winning strategies can be computed and are polyhedral.
- Winning strategies can be state-based.

Theorem [Henzinger, Kopke 1999]

Safety and reachability control are decidable and are EXPTIME-complete.

• controllable and uncontrollable discrete predecessors:

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• winning states: greatest fixed point of

$$\pi(X) = \mathsf{Pred}_{\delta}(X \cap \mathsf{cPred}(X), \mathsf{uPred}(\overline{X}))$$

Further objectives

• TCTL objectives [Fae

[Faella, La Torre, Murano 2002]

- CTL, LTL objectives [Faella, La Torre, Murano 2002]
- general symmetric parity games
 [de Alfaro, Faella, Henzinger, Majumdar, Stoelinga 2003]
- external specifications given by timed automata
 [D'Souza, Madhusudan 2002]

→ use theory of classical untimed games



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Stumbling blocks:

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- timed automata can not be determinized

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Thus,

- $\bullet \ \mathcal{P}$ is a *deterministic* timed automaton, thus a plant
- (δ₀, t₀)(a₀, t'₀)(δ₁, t₁)(a₁, t'₁)... is accepted by P iff t_i = t'_i for every i and (a₀, t₀)(a₁, t₁)... is accepted by A along the path δ₀δ₁...

We note $\Delta = \{(\ell, g, a, C := 0, \ell') \text{ transition of } A\}$ and make all actions from Δ non-observable. Take A a (complete) timed automaton. Construct P as follows.

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NB: this undecidability result seems robust...



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Theorem [Bouyer, Chevalier, D'Souza 2005]

 Δ -diagnosis of timed systems with DTA_{μ} is 2EXPTIME-complete.

Observation as a game

We will transform the diagnosis problem into a two-player safety game:

- ullet one player is the observer \Box
- ullet the other player is the environment \bigcirc

The plant is Δ -DTA_{μ}-diagnosable iff \Box has a winning strategy



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Diagnosis by DTA_{μ}

Proposition

 \Box has a winning strategy in $\mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{P},\mu}$ iff there is a diagnoser for \mathcal{P} in DTA_{μ}.

→ Δ -DTA_µ-diagnosability is in 2EXPTIME

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- $\bullet\,$ Get rid of some resources or the Δ parameter
- Control under partial observation for other classes of systems (*e.g.* o-minimal hybrid games)

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