Energy management in timed systems

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The standard timed automaton model [AD90, AD94]



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An alternative: priced/weighted timed automata [ALP01,BFH+01]
 → hybrid variables are observer variables
 (they do not constrain *a priori* the system)

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 → We present a generic construction for incrementing/decrementing the counters.





























- $\alpha=3$: increment c_1
- $\alpha=2$: increment c_2
- $\alpha = 12$: decrement c_1
- $\alpha = 18$: decrement c_2

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Theorem [BFLMS08]

The corner-point abstraction is sound and complete for single-clock PTA with a linear observer and with no discrete costs. Hence the existential L-and L+W-problems are in P in that case.

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 \rightsquigarrow we will compute the energy function

"initial credit \mapsto maximal final credit"

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 \sim we can select locations with increasing rates

(if some rate is positive...)

Normal form for unit paths

An annotated unit path $\rightarrow \underbrace{0}_{\geq b_0} \underbrace{x=0}_{p_0} \underbrace{p_0}_{r_1} \underbrace{p_1}_{\geq b_1} \underbrace{p_2}_{\geq b_2} \underbrace{p_{n-1}}_{\geq b_2} \underbrace{p_n}_{\geq b_{n-1}} \underbrace{p_n}_{\geq b_n} \underbrace{x=1}_{p_n} \underbrace{0}$

is in normal form if one of the following cases holds:

• n = 1 (trivial normal form);

- the rates r_i are positive and increasing, and b_{i−1} + p_{i−1} < b_i for all 1 ≤ i ≤ n − 1 (positive normal form);
- the rates r_i are negative and decreasing, and $b_{i-1} + p_{i-1} > b_i$ for all $1 \le i \le n-1$ (negative normal form).

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Lemma

Any annotated unit path can be transformed into an equivalent (w.r.t. maximal final cost) normal form path.





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Normal-form automaton:



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✤ Time is almost over?





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- starting with credit 1,
 - spending 0.8 t.u. in (2), we have credit exp $(2 * 0.8) \sim 4.95$;
 - we reach 💛 with credit around 0.95;
 - spending the remaining 0.2 t.u. there, we exit the path with credit approx. 0.72.

Normal form for exponential observers



- n = 1 (trivial normal form);
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$$\frac{p_{i-1} \cdot r_{i-1} \cdot r_i}{r_{i-1} - r_i} < \frac{p_i \cdot r_i \cdot r_{i+1}}{r_i - r_{i+1}}$$

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The optimal credit with which to exit $\underbrace{\ell_i}_{r_i - r_{i+1}}$ is $\frac{p_i \cdot r_{i+1}}{r_i - r_{i+1}}$.



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Optimal runs spend no time in
$$\underbrace{\ell_i}_{r_{i-1}-r_i}$$
 if $\frac{p_{i-1}\cdot r_i}{r_{i-1}-r_i} + p_{i-1} \ge \frac{p_i\cdot r_{i+1}}{r_i-r_{i+1}}$.












Lemma

The optimal strategy is to delay t_i^{opt} as long as possible.







The minimal initial credit to reach the final location is

$$c^{\min} = 5 \cdot e^{-2} \cdot \left(\frac{12}{5}\right)^{1/4} \cdot \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{2/5}$$





• we spend
$$\frac{1}{2} \ln(\frac{5}{k \cdot c_{\min}})$$
 in location (2);



• we spend
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 in location ⁽²⁾



• we spend
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• we transfer $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \ln(k)$ t.u. to location
(3);



Starting with credit $k \cdot c_{\min}$ (between c_{\min} and 5):

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Moreover the energy function:

- is piecewise of the form $\alpha \cdot (c_{in} \beta)^{r_i/r_j} + \gamma$, with $r_i \ge r_j$;
- has continuous derivative.



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Remark

For the sake of simplicity, we restrict to closed timed automata.

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Many open problems:

- can we go beyond linear and exponential observers?
 (In particular can we handle observers that mix linear and exponential evolutions?)
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- what if there are more than one clock?
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