

TD 8: Partial-Order Reduction

Exercise 1. Consider the following transition system with state set $S = \{s_0, \dots, s_7\}$ and transition alphabet $\Delta = \{a, b, c, d\}$:

1. Compute the independence set I and the set of invisible actions U .
2. Propose an assignment $red : S \rightarrow 2^\Delta$ of ample sets satisfying conditions C_0 – C_3 of the lecture notes.

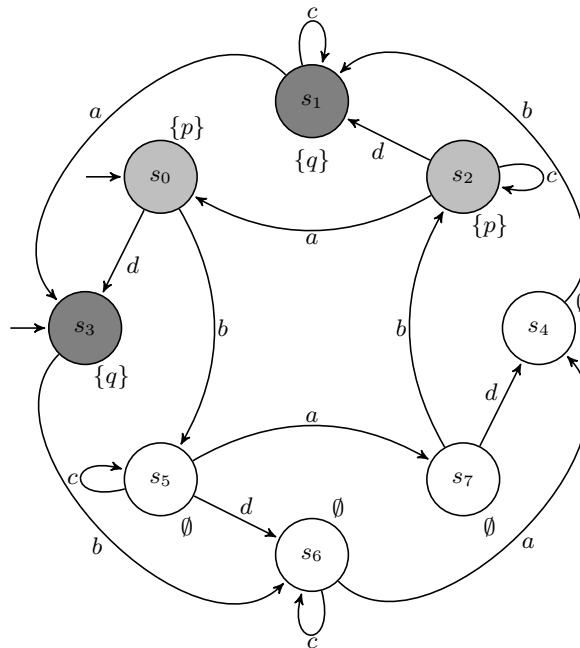
Reminder:

(C0) $red(s) = \emptyset$ iff $en(s) = \emptyset$.

(C1) For every path $s \xrightarrow{a_1} s_1 \xrightarrow{a_2} \dots \xrightarrow{a_n} s_n \xrightarrow{a} t$ in \mathcal{K} (for any $n \geq 0$), if $a \notin red(s)$ and a depends on some action in $red(s)$ (i.e. there exists $b \in red(s)$ such that $(a, b) \notin I$), then there exists $1 \leq i \leq n$ such that $a_i \in red(s)$.

(C2) If $red(s) \neq en(s)$, then all actions in $red(s)$ are invisible.

(C3) For all cycles in the reduced system \mathcal{K}' , the following holds: if $a \in en(s)$ for some state s in the cycle, then $a \in red(s')$ for some (possibly other) state s' in the cycle.



Exercise 2.

1. Consider the condition (C_1'') : for any s with $\text{red}(s) \neq \text{en}(s)$, any a in $\text{red}(s)$ is independent from every b in $\text{en}(s) \setminus \text{red}(s)$. Show that (C_1) implies (C_1'') , but $(C_0), (C_1''), (C_2), (C_3)$ is not sufficient to ensure that the reduced system \mathcal{K}' is stuttering equivalent to \mathcal{K} .
2. Show that (C_0) – (C_2) does not ensure stuttering equivalence.

Exercise 3. Let φ be an LTL formula. We define the X-depth $d_X(\varphi)$ and the U-depth $d_U(\varphi)$ of φ as the maximal nesting of X- or U-operators in φ :

$$\begin{array}{ll}
d_X(p) = 0 & d_U(p) = 0 \\
d_X(\neg\varphi) = d_X(\varphi) & d_U(\neg\varphi) = d_U(\varphi) \\
d_X(\varphi \wedge \psi) = \max(d_X(\varphi), d_X(\psi)) & d_U(\varphi \wedge \psi) = \max(d_U(\varphi), d_U(\psi)) \\
d_X(\mathbf{X}\varphi) = 1 + d_X(\varphi) & d_U(\mathbf{X}\varphi) = d_U(\varphi) \\
d_X(\varphi \mathbf{U}\psi) = \max(d_X(\varphi), d_X(\psi)) & d_U(\varphi \mathbf{U}\psi) = 1 + \max(d_U(\varphi), d_U(\psi))
\end{array}$$

We denote by $\text{LTL}(\mathbf{U}^m, \mathbf{X}^n)$ the set of LTL formulas φ with $d_X(\varphi) \leq n$ and $d_U(\varphi) \leq m$, where $n = \infty$ or $m = \infty$ indicates no restriction of the operator in question.

1. We say that two words $w, w' \in \Sigma^\omega$ are *n-stutter-equivalent* if there exists letters $a_0, a_1, \dots \in \Sigma$ and $f, g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}^*$ such that $w = a_0^{f(0)} a_1^{f(1)} \dots$, $w' = a_0^{g(0)} a_1^{g(1)} \dots$, and for all $i \geq 0$, $a_i = a_{i+1}$ implies $a_i = a_j$ for all $j > i$, and $f(i) \leq n + 1$ or $g(i) \leq n + 1$ implies $f(i) = g(i)$.

Show that for all $n \geq 0$ and $\varphi \in \text{LTL}(\mathbf{U}^\infty, \mathbf{X}^n)$, $L(\varphi)$ is closed under *n-stutter-equivalence*.

2. A similar principle can be formulated when the U-depth is restricted, by considering stuttering of factors instead of letters. Show that for all $m \geq 1$ and $\varphi \in \text{LTL}(\mathbf{U}^m, \mathbf{X}^0)$, for all $u, v \in \Sigma^*$ and $w \in \Sigma^\omega$, we have $uv^m w \in L(\varphi)$ iff $uv^{m+1} w \in L(\varphi)$.

Exercise 4. Let $\mathcal{K} = (S, A, \rightarrow, r, AP, \nu)$ be a deterministic labelled Kripke structure, I an independance set, U a set of invisible action, and for all s , $\text{red}(s) \subseteq \text{en}(s)$. We let $V = A \setminus U$ be the set of visible actions. Assume that *red* satisfies the following conditions:

- (C1) For every path $s \xrightarrow{a_1} s_1 \xrightarrow{a_2} \dots \xrightarrow{a_n} s_n \xrightarrow{a} t$ in \mathcal{K} (for any $n \geq 0$), if $a \notin \text{red}(s)$ and a depends on some action in $\text{red}(s)$ (i.e. there exists $b \in \text{red}(s)$ such that $(a, b) \notin I$), then there exists $1 \leq i \leq n$ such that $a_i \in \text{red}(s)$.

(C4) $(V \times V) \cap I = \emptyset$.

(C5) If $red(s) \neq en(s)$, then $red(s)$ contains at least one visible action.

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1. Show that for all $s \in S$, $en(s) \setminus red(s) \subseteq U$.
2. Show that for all $s \in S$, if there is an infinite invisible path in \mathcal{K} starting at s , then there is also an infinite invisible path in the reduced system \mathcal{K}' starting at s .
3. Show that \mathcal{K} and \mathcal{K}' are stuttering equivalent.