Algorithms for Model Checking (2IMF35) Lecture 12 Retrospect + Outlook

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Part I: basics

Lecture 1:	Syntax + Semantics of CTL^* $\rightarrow PVR$
Lecture 2:	Symbolic algorithm for CTL and fair CTL
Lecture 3:	Counterexamples and witnesses for fragments of CTL
Lecture 4:	Emerson-Lei algorithm improving over the naive algorithm $\ldots \rightarrow AR$



Retrospect

part II: complexity

- Lecture 5: Boolean equation systems
- Lecture 6: Parity Games
- Lecture 7: Recursive algorithm
- Lecture 8: Small Progress Measures

part III: data

Lecture 9-11: Parameterised	Boolean equation systems	\rightarrow SV
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- Symbolic encoding the model checking problem as a PBES
- · Redundant parameter detection and elimination
- Instantiating to a BES and solving the BES
- Symbolic approximation + Gauß Elimination

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Verification:

- Analyse DSL programs using dedicated transformations to parity games/PBES;
- Probabilistic and quantitative verification using Rational Equation Systems



Control software for the Large Hadron Collider

- Hierarchical system of >25 000 communicating FSMs
- Nearly fully semi-formally described
- BDD-based analysis of a subtree consisting of:
 - 7 FSMs: 5 10⁶ states, 24 10⁶ transitions; +/- 1 minute
 - 9 FSMs: 800 10⁶ states; +/- 10 minutes
 - 11 FSMs: 120 10⁹ states; +/- half a day
- Dedicated verification: SAT solving techniques
- Results:
 - Approx. 5% of all FSMs suffer from livelocks (20% of the FSMs that *can* be affected)
 - Approx. 4% of all FSMs suffer from reachability issues

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Verification for Dezyne

- Dezyne: DSL and toolsuite for modelling and generating software
- Verification of Dezyne models using FDR and, more recently, mCRL2
- Dezyne used at:
 - ASML
 - Fei
 - NSpyre
 - ...



The DIRAC grid solution used at the Large Hadron Collider beauty experiment

- cooperating distributed services
- light-weight agents delivering the workload to the Grid resources
- agents run concurrently
- State spaces of 160 10⁶ states are no exception
- Results:
 - Livelocks
 - Race conditions
 - Dead jobs reviving (zombies)
 - ...

Internship/final projects (possibly at CERN?)/research for fun? Contact me!

