

Modeling and Analysis of Hybrid Systems

2.-3. Timed automata

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$$acc ::= x < c \mid x \leq c \mid x > c \mid x \geq c$$

with $c \in \mathbb{N}$ ($c \in \mathbb{Q}$) and $x \in \mathcal{C}$.

Clock constraints:

$$g ::= acc \mid g \wedge g$$

Syntactic sugar: $true$, $x \in [c_1, c_2)$, $c_1 \leq x < c_2$, $x = c, \dots$

$ACC(\mathcal{C})$: set of atomic clock constraints over \mathcal{C}

$CC(\mathcal{C})$: set of clock constraints over \mathcal{C}

Write access: Clock reset sets clock value to 0

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Timed automata

Timed automata extend labeled transition systems with the notion of time:

- All variables are **clocks** $c \in \mathcal{C}$.
- **States** $\sigma \in \Sigma = Loc \times V$ are pairs of a location and a clock valuation.
- While the control stays in a location, time passes by. Time can pass in a location as long as its **invariant**, which is a clock constraint, is satisfied. During control stays in a location, the clock values evolve with derivative 1.
- **Edges** are defined by
 - source and target locations,
 - a label,
 - a **guard**: clock constraint specifying enabling,
 - a set of clocks to be **reset** to zero.

Note: guard g and reset R define a transition relation $\mu = \{(\nu, \nu') \in V^2 \mid \nu \models g \wedge \nu' = \text{reset } R \text{ in } \nu\}$.

Definition (Syntax of timed automata)

A **timed automaton** $\mathcal{T} = (Loc, \mathcal{C}, Lab, Edge, Inv, Init)$ is a tuple with

- Loc is a finite set of locations,
- \mathcal{C} is a finite set of clocks,
- Lab is a finite set of synchronisation labels,
- $Edge \subseteq Loc \times Lab \times (\mathcal{C} \times 2^{\mathcal{C}}) \times Loc$ is a finite set of edges,
- $Inv : Loc \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ is a function assigning an invariant to each location,
- $Init \subseteq \Sigma$ with $\nu(x) = 0$ for all $x \in \mathcal{C}$ and all $(l, \nu) \in Init$.

We call the variables in \mathcal{C} **clocks**. We also use the notation $l \xrightarrow{a:g,R} l'$ to state that there exists an edge $(l, a, (g, R), l') \in Edge$.

Note: (1) derivatives are not explicitly specified (2) restricted logic for constraints

Analogously to Kripke structures, we can additionally define

- a set of atomic propositions AP and
- a labelling function $L : Loc \rightarrow 2^{AP}$

to model further system properties.

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (l, a, (g, R), l') \in Edge \\ \nu \models g \quad \nu' = \text{reset } R \text{ in } \nu \quad \nu' \models Inv(l') \end{array}}{(l, \nu) \xrightarrow{a} (l', \nu')} \quad \text{Rule}_{\text{Discrete}}$$

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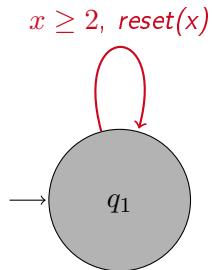
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- **Execution step:** $\rightarrow = \xrightarrow{a} \cup \xrightarrow{t}$
- **Path:** $\sigma_0 \rightarrow \sigma_1 \rightarrow \sigma_2 \dots$ with $\sigma_0 = (l_0, \nu_0)$ and $\nu_0 \in \text{Inv}(l_0)$
- **Initial path:** path $\sigma_0 \rightarrow \sigma_1 \rightarrow \sigma_2 \dots$ with $\sigma_0 = (l_0, \nu_0) \in \text{Init}$
- **Reachability** of a state: exists an initial path leading to the state

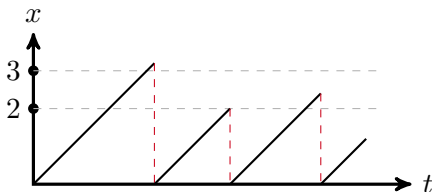
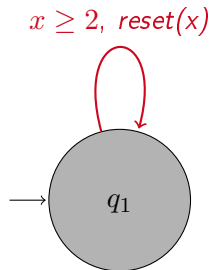
Each timed automaton $\mathcal{T} = (Loc, \mathcal{C}, Lab, Edge, Inv, Init)$ induces a labeled state transition system $\mathcal{LSTS} = (\Sigma, Lab', Edge', Init)$ with

- $\Sigma = Loc \times V$,
- $Lab' = Lab \cup \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$
- $Edge' = \{(\sigma, \alpha, \sigma') \mid \sigma \xrightarrow{\alpha} \sigma'\}.$

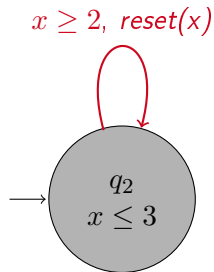
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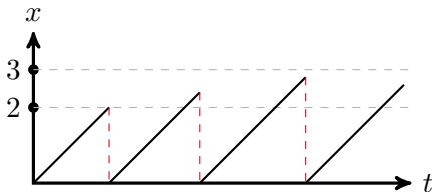
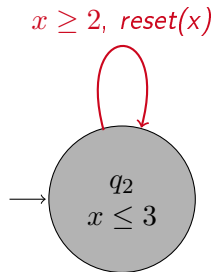
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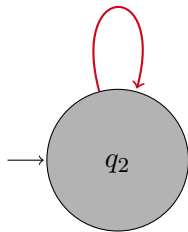


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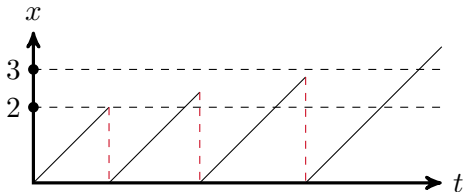
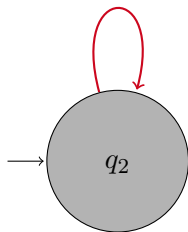
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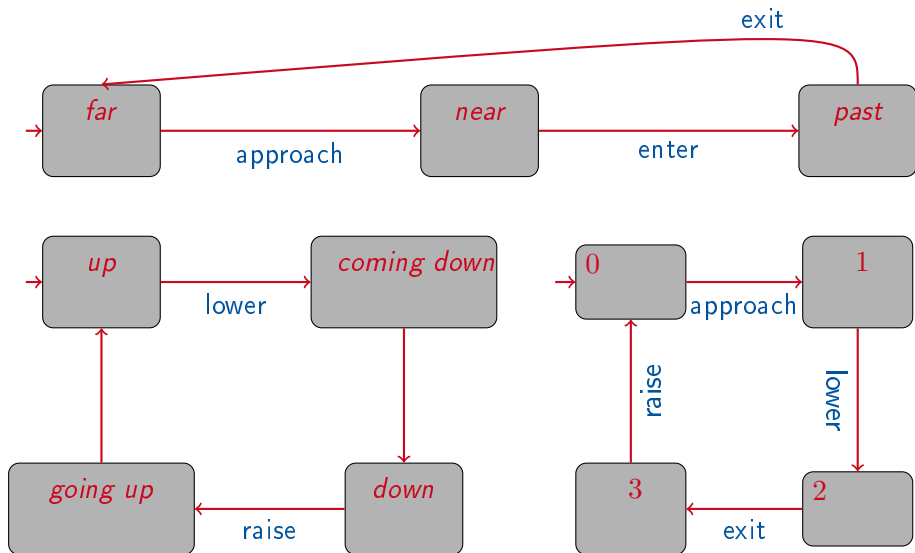


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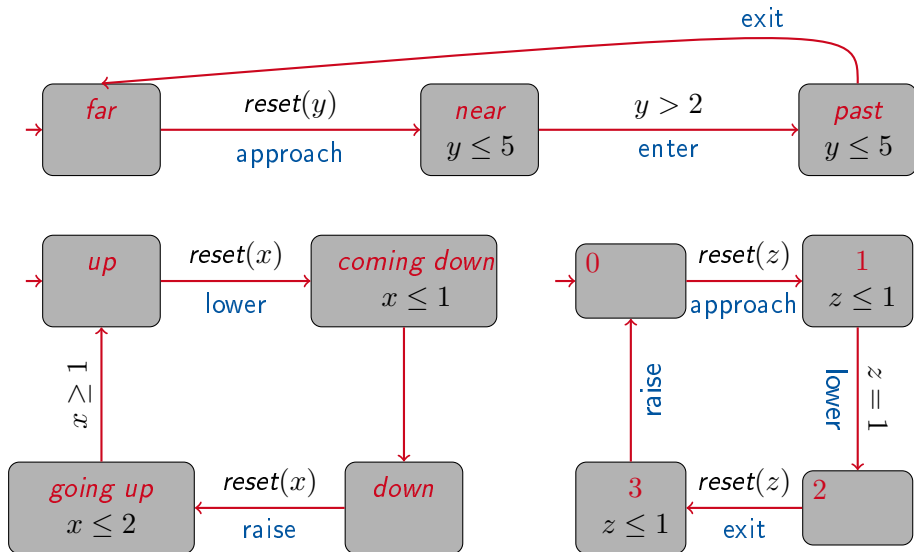
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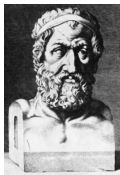
Example: Railroad Crossing



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Time convergence, timelock, and Zenoness



Zeno of Elea

(ca.490 BC-ca.430 BC)



Aristotle

(384 BC-322 BC)



Paradox: Achilles and the tortoise

(Achilles was the great Greek hero of Homer's
The Iliad.)

“In a race, the quickest runner can never overtake the slowest, since the pursuer must first reach the point where the pursued started, so that the slower must always hold a lead.”

—Aristotle, Physics VI:9, 239b15

- Not all paths of a timed automata represent realistic behaviour.
- Three essential phenomena: **time convergence, timelock, Zenoness.**

Definition

For a timed automaton $\mathcal{T} = (Loc, \mathcal{C}, Lab, Edge, Inv, Init)$, we define *ExecTime* : $(Lab \cup \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0}$ with

- $ExecTime(a) = 0$ for $a \in Lab$ and
- $ExecTime(d) = d$ for $d \in \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0}$.

Furthermore, for $\rho = s_0 \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} s_1 \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} s_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha_2} \dots$ we define

$$ExecTime(\rho) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} ExecTime(\alpha_i).$$

A path is **time-divergent** iff $ExecTime(\rho) = \infty$, and **time-convergent** otherwise.

- Time-convergent paths are not realistic, and are not considered in the semantics.
- Note: their existence cannot be avoided (in general).

Definition

For a state $\sigma \in \Sigma$ let $Paths_{div}(\sigma)$ be the set of time-divergent paths starting in σ .

A state $\sigma \in \Sigma$ has a **timelock** iff $Paths_{div}(\sigma) = \emptyset$.

A timed automaton has a **timelock** iff at least one of its **reachable** states has a timelock.

If a timed automaton does not have a timelock then it is called **timelock-free**.

Timelocks are modelling flaws and should be avoided.

Definition

An infinite path π is **Zeno** iff it is time-convergent and infinitely many **discrete** actions are executed within π .

A timed automaton is **non-Zeno** iff no Zeno path starts in an **initial** state.

- Zeno paths represent **non-realisable** behaviour, since their execution would require infinitely fast processors.
- Though Zeno paths are modelling flaws, they are not always easy to avoid.
- To **check** whether a timed automaton is non-Zeno is algorithmically difficult.
- Instead, **sufficient** conditions are considered that are simple to check, e.g., by static analysis.

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Let \mathcal{T} be a timed automaton with clocks \mathcal{C} such that for every control cycle

$$l_0 \xrightarrow{a_1:g_1,R_1} l_1 \xrightarrow{a_2:g_2,R_2} l_2 \dots \xrightarrow{a_n:g_n,R_n} l_n = l_0$$

in \mathcal{T} there exists a clock $x \in \mathcal{C}$ such that

- $x \in R_i$ for some $1 \leq i \leq n$, and
- for all valuations $\nu \in V$ there exist some $1 \leq j \leq n$ and $d \in \mathbb{N}^{>0}$ with

$$\nu(x) < d \quad \text{implies} \quad (\nu \not\models \text{Inv}(l_j) \text{ or } \nu \not\models g_j).$$

Then \mathcal{T} is non-Zeno.

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- How to describe the behaviour of timed automata?
- Logic: **TCTL**, a real-time variant of CTL
- **Syntax**:

State formulae

$$\psi ::= \text{true} \mid a \mid g \mid \psi \wedge \psi \mid \neg \psi \mid \mathbf{E}\varphi \mid \mathbf{A}\varphi$$

Path formulae:

$$\varphi ::= \psi \mathcal{U}^J \psi$$

with $J \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0}$ is an interval with integer bounds (open right bound may be ∞).

- Note: no next-time operator

Syntactic sugar:

$$\mathcal{F}^J \psi \quad := \quad \text{true } \mathcal{U}^J \psi$$

$$\mathbf{EG}^J \psi \quad := \quad \neg \mathbf{AF}^J \neg \psi$$

$$\mathbf{AG}^J \psi \quad := \quad \neg \mathbf{EF}^J \neg \psi$$

$$\psi_1 \mathcal{U} \psi_2 \quad := \quad \psi_1 \mathcal{U}^{[0, \infty)} \psi_2$$

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Definition (TCTL continuous semantics)

Let $\mathcal{T} = (Loc, \mathcal{C}, Lab, Edge, Inv, Init)$ be a timed automaton, AP a set of atomic propositions, and $L : Loc \rightarrow 2^{AP}$ a state labelling function. The function \models assigns a truth value to each TCTL state and path formulae as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \sigma \models \text{true} & \\ \sigma \models a & \text{iff } a \in L(\sigma) \\ \sigma \models g & \text{iff } \sigma \models g \\ \sigma \models \neg\psi & \text{iff } \sigma \not\models \psi \\ \sigma \models \psi_1 \wedge \psi_2 & \text{iff } \sigma \models \psi_1 \text{ and } \sigma \models \psi_2 \\ \sigma \models \mathbf{E}\varphi & \text{iff } \pi \models \varphi \text{ for some } \pi \in Paths_{div}(\sigma) \\ \sigma \models \mathbf{A}\varphi & \text{iff } \pi \models \varphi \text{ for all } \pi \in Paths_{div}(\sigma). \end{array}$$

where $\sigma \in \Sigma$, $a \in AP$, $g \in ACC(\mathcal{C})$, ψ , ψ_1 and ψ_2 are TCTL state formulae, and φ is a TCTL path formula.

Meaning of \mathcal{U} : a time-divergent path satisfies $\psi_1 \mathcal{U}^J \psi_2$ whenever at some time point in J property ψ_2 holds and at all previous time instants ψ_1 is satisfied.

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For a time-divergent path $\pi = (\ell_0, \nu_0) \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} (\ell_1, \nu_1) \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} \dots$ we define $\pi \models \psi_1 \mathcal{U}^J \psi_2$ iff

- $\exists i \geq 0. (\ell_i, \nu_i + d) \models \psi_2$ for some $d \in [0, d_i]$ with

$$\left(\sum_{k=0}^{i-1} d_k \right) + d \in J, \text{ and}$$

- $\forall j \leq i. (\ell_j, \nu_j + d') \models \psi_1$ for any $d' \in [0, d_j]$ with

$$\left(\sum_{k=0}^{j-1} d_k \right) + d' \leq \left(\sum_{k=0}^{i-1} d_k \right) + d$$

where $d_i = \text{ExecTime}(\alpha_i)$.

Definition

For a timed automaton \mathcal{T} with clocks \mathcal{C} and locations Loc , and a TCTL state formula ψ the **satisfaction set** $Sat(\psi)$ is defined by

$$Sat(\psi) = \{\sigma \in \Sigma \mid \sigma \models \psi\}.$$

\mathcal{T} satisfies ψ iff ψ holds in all initial states:

$$\mathcal{T} \models \psi \quad \text{iff} \quad \forall l_0 \in Init. (l_0, \nu_0) \models \psi$$

where $\nu_0(x) = 0$ for all $x \in \mathcal{C}$.

- TCTL formulae with intervals $[0, \infty)$ may be considered as CTL formulae
- However, there is a difference due to time-convergent paths
- TCTL ranges over time-divergent paths, whereas CTL over all paths!

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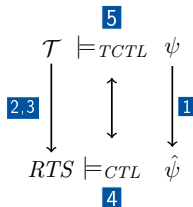
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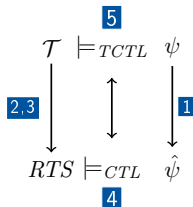


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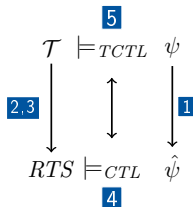
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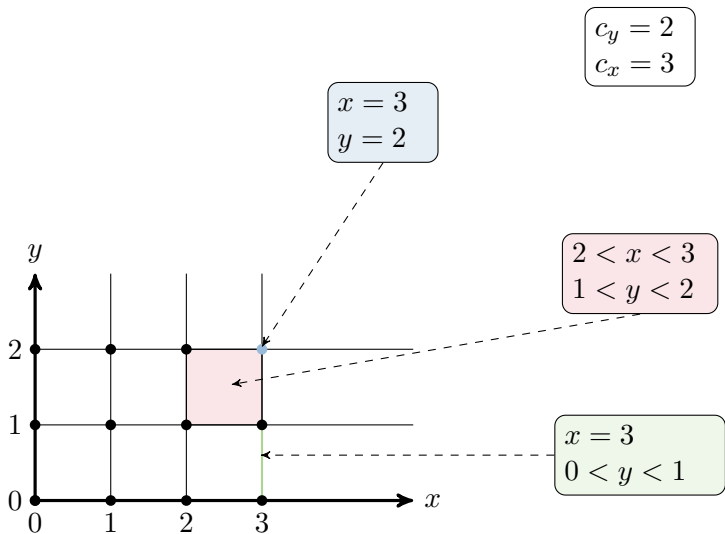
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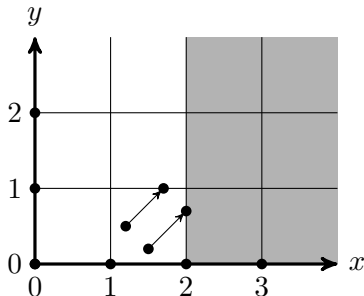
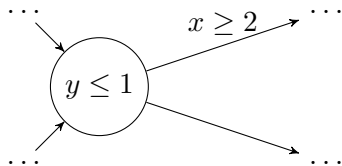
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As the following example illustrates, we must make a further refinement of the abstraction, since it does not distinguish between states satisfying different formulae.



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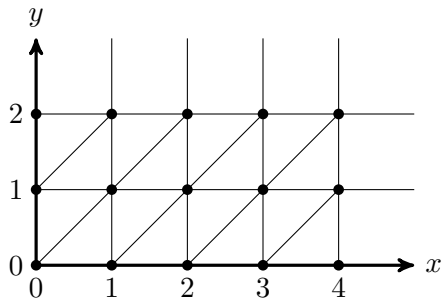
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Definition

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- for all $x, y \in \mathcal{C}$ if $\nu(x), \nu'(x) \leq c_x$ and $\nu(y), \nu'(y) \leq c_y$ then

$$frac(\nu(x)) \leq frac(\nu(y)) \leftrightarrow frac(\nu'(x)) \leq frac(\nu'(y)).$$

The **clock region** of an evaluation $\nu \in V$ is the set $[\nu] = \{\nu' \in V \mid \nu \cong \nu'\}$.

The **clock region** of a state $\sigma = (l, \nu) \in \Sigma$ is the set

$$[\sigma] = \{(l, \nu') \in \Sigma \mid \nu \cong \nu'\}.$$

2. Finite state space abstraction

Lemma

Assume a timed automaton $\mathcal{T} = (Loc, \mathcal{C}, Lab, Edge, Inv, Init)$, a finite set AP of atomic propositions, a labeling function $L : Loc \rightarrow 2^{AP}$ and a TCTL formula ψ over \mathcal{C} .

Let $\mathcal{LSTS} = (\Sigma, Lab', Edge', Init)$ be the labeled state transition system induced by \mathcal{T} .

Let $AP' = AP \cup ACC(\mathcal{T}) \cup ACC(\psi)$ and $L' : \Sigma \rightarrow 2^{AP'}$ with $L'((l, \nu)) = L(l) \cup \{g \in ACC(\mathcal{T}) \cup ACC(\psi) \mid \nu \models g\}$.

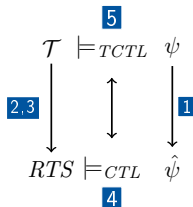
Then the clock equivalence relation $\cong \subseteq \Sigma \times \Sigma$ for \mathcal{T} and ψ is a bisimulation for \mathcal{LSTS} and L' .

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3. The abstract transition system

We have defined regions as abstract states,
now we connect them by abstract transitions.

Two kinds of transitions:
time and discrete

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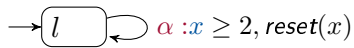
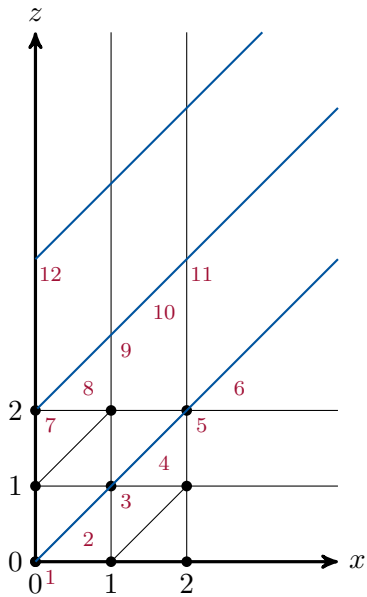
Definition

The clock region $r_\infty = \{\nu \in V \mid \forall x \in \mathcal{C}. \nu(x) > c_x\}$ is called **unbounded**. Let r, r' be two clock regions. The region r' is the **successor clock region** of r , denoted by $r' = \text{succ}(r)$, if either

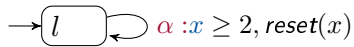
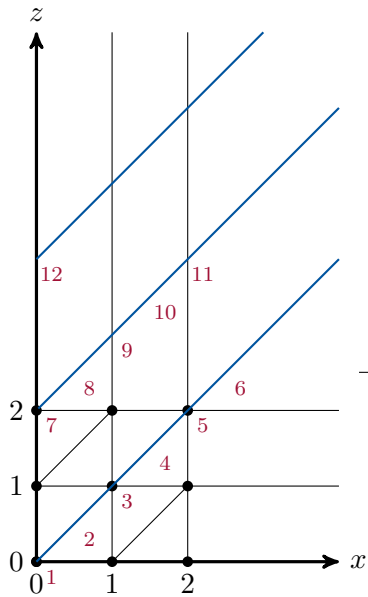
- $r = r' = r_\infty$, or
- $r \neq r_\infty$, $r \neq r'$, and for all $\nu \in r$:

$$\exists d \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}. (\nu + d \in r' \wedge \forall 0 \leq d' \leq d. \nu + d' \in (r \cup r')).$$

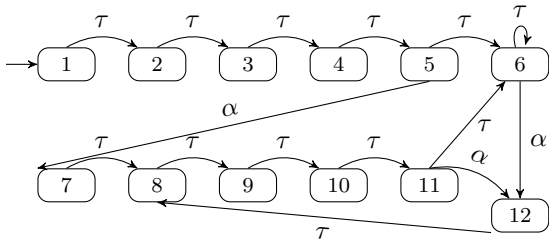
The **successor state region** is defined as $\text{succ}((l, r)) = (l, \text{succ}(r))$.

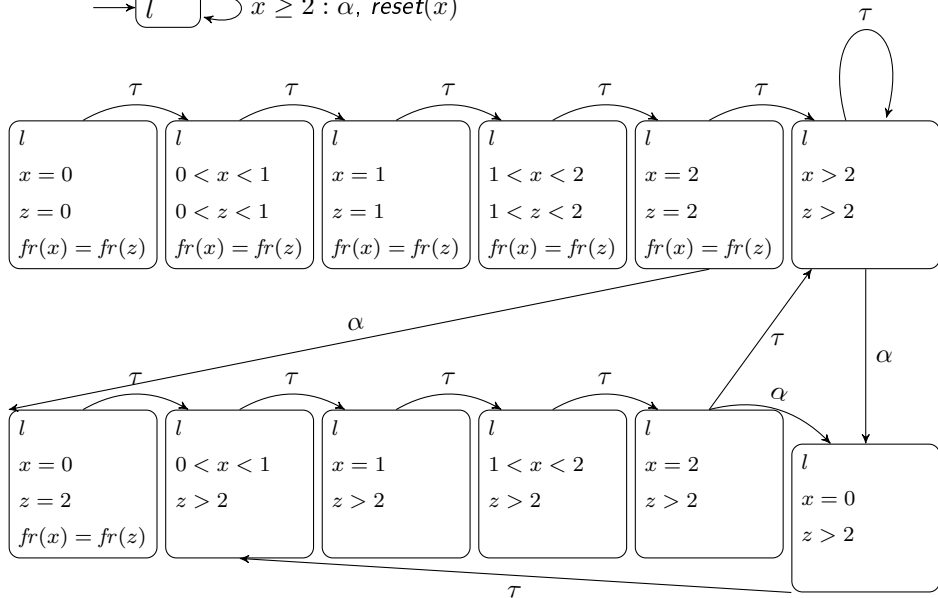
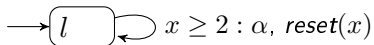


$$\mathbf{EF}^{(0,2]} (x = 0)$$



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3. The abstract transition system

Definition

Let $\mathcal{T} = (Loc, \mathcal{C}, Lab, Edge, Inv, Init)$ be a **non-zeno timelock-free** timed automaton with an atomic proposition set AP and a labeling function L , and let $\hat{\psi}$ be a time-unbounded TCTL formula over \mathcal{C} and AP .

The **region transition system** of \mathcal{T} for $\hat{\psi}$ is a labeled state transition system $RTS(\mathcal{T}, \psi) = (\Sigma', Lab, Edge', Init')$ with atomic propositions AP' and a labeling function L' such that

- $\Sigma' = \{(l, [\nu]) \mid (l, \nu) \in \Sigma \wedge \nu \in Inv(l)\}$
- $Init' = \{(l, [\nu]) \in \Sigma' \mid (l, \nu) \in Init\}$
- $AP' = AP \cup ACC(\mathcal{T}) \cup ACC(\hat{\psi})$
- $L'((l, [\nu])) = L(l) \cup \{g \in AP' \setminus AP \mid \nu \models g\}$

and

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Definition

$$\frac{(l, \nu) \xrightarrow{a} (l', \nu')}{(l, [\nu]) \xrightarrow{a} (l', [\nu'])} \quad \text{Rule}_{\text{Discrete}}$$

$$\frac{\text{succ}(r) \models \text{Inv}(l)}{(l, r) \xrightarrow{t} (l, \text{succ}(r))} \quad \text{Rule}_{\text{Time}}$$

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Lemma

For non-zeno timelock-free \mathcal{T} and $\pi = s_0 \rightarrow s_1 \rightarrow \dots$ an initial, infinite path of \mathcal{T} :

- *if π is time-convergent, then there is an index j and a state region (l, r) such that $s_i \in (l, r)$ for all $i \geq j$.*
- *if there is a state region (l, r) with $r \neq r_\infty$ and an index j such that $s_i \in (l, r)$ for all $i \geq j$ then π is time-convergent.*

Lemma

For a non-zeno timelock-free timed automaton \mathcal{T} and a TCLT formula ψ :

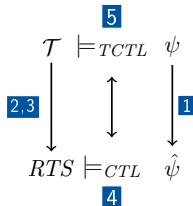
$$\mathcal{T} \models_{TCTL} \psi \quad \text{iff} \quad RTS(\mathcal{T}, \hat{\psi}) \models_{CTL} \hat{\psi}$$

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The procedure is quite similar to CTL model checking for finite automata.

One difference:

- Handling nested time bounds in TCTL formulae

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