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# APPROXIMATE MODEL CHECKING FOR PROBABILISTIC RECTANGULAR AUTOMATA WITH CONTINUOUS-TIME PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTIONS ON JUMPS

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#### Abstract

A system consists of both discrete and continuous components is hybrid system. Most systems in our daily life are hybrid systems. A model to present the hybrid system is hybrid automata. We model the systems into hybrid automata to do mathematical analysis. Rectangular automata is an important subclass of hybrid automata by adding restrictions to labeling functions, and this thesis focus on rectangular automata. In oder to avoid nondeterministic behaviors, we introduce probabilistic rectangular automata with continuous-time probability distributions.

A popular approach to verify certain properties is to do reachability analysis. We introduce forward and backward analysis to get the reachability of request states. For each reachable state we can calculate the probability to reach it from the initial states according to corresponding probability distributions. iv

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# Chapter 1

# Introduction

Systems with discrete state changing are called discrete system [HMU01] and systems, whose state variables change over time continuously, are called continuous systems. A system that consists of both discrete and continuous components is a hybrid system. Most systems in our daily life are hybrid systems, like computers, mobile-phones, airplanes and so on. Figure 1.1(a) shows how variable x changes over time in a discrete system, and Figure 1.1(b) shows how variable x changes over time in a continuous system. If we combine the two systems, we will get a hybrid system and the evolution of variable x shown in Figure 1.1(c). In oder to analyze the hybrid systems mathematically, hybrid automata is introduced to model those systems. An important subclass of hybrid automata is rectangular automata, for which the model-checking problem is decidable [HM00]. Examples such as Billiard Balls [PDMV15], which models the motion of a billiard ball and its collisions with the wall, is a rectangular automaton.

Billiard balls system is a rectangular automaton without nondeterminism. However many systems contain nondeterministic behaviors, such as IEEE 802.11 WLAN protocol [KNS02] which describes a two-way handshake mechanism to achieve communication between two devices, in the meanwhile introduce a randomized exponential back-off rule to handle with possible transmission conclusions. In oder to deal with the nondeterminism caused by the randomized behavior, we consider to model the system as a probabilistic automaton.

One of the most popular modeling language to deal with probability is Continuous-Time Markov Chain (CTMC for short). A CTMC is a stochastic process, in which the probability of moving from one state to another state is dependent on a transition rate matrix. However, a huge amount of probabilistic systems may allow different types of probability distributions, such as discrete probability distribution. In this case we consider to analyze models containing both continuous and discrete probability distributions.

Stochastic Petri Nets (SPN for short) is one of the approaches which consist not only stochastic process. In a SPN model, the probability of taking a transition is associated with the probability distribution over delays on the state, i.e. the probability of taking a transition is related to the time spent on the source state [BK02]. Another approach is Stochastic Timed Automata (STA for short). In a STA model, the probability of taking a transition is independent on the delays, which means that the combined continuous and discrete probability distribution is associated to transitions [BBB<sup>+</sup>14].



Figure 1.1: Variable changing over time in three types systems

Since timed automata is a subclass of rectangular automata [Kop96], we extend the stochastic timed automata to stochastic rectangular automata and apply reachability analysis on stochastic rectangular automata.

### 1.1 Structure of the Thesis

In oder to introduce stochastic rectangular automata properly, we introduce necessary preliminaries in Chapter 2. Firstly we give the formal definition of hybrid automata, which builds hybrid systems mathematically. By giving rectangular region restrictions we introduce a subclass of hybrid automata, rectangular automata. In oder to check some essential properties, we introduce reachability analysis consisting of forward and backward methods.

After we get a clear view of rectangular automata, we define stochastic rectangular automata in Chapter 3. Discrete-time probabilistic rectangular automata model the systems which only associate discrete probability distribution over transitions. After given the definition of probability distributions over delays and transition, we extend it to the definition of stochastic rectangular automata.

The implementation is introduced in Chapter 4. The most critical part is the interval calculation, because the probability to take a transition out-going of the state and calculation of enabled transitions are dependent on the interval in which a given transition may be taken from the state. Finally we introduce the brief idea of how to achieve reachability analysis by forward and backward method in stochastic rectangular automata.

At the end we present the experimental results in Chapter 5, starting with introduction of the tool HyPro. The discussion of our future work is in Chapter 6.

# Chapter 2

# Preliminaries

Rectangular automata is a subclass of hybrid automata [HKPV98]. We present hybrid automata first and then introduce rectangular automata based on the definition of hybrid automata.

## 2.1 Hybrid Automata

Hybrid systems are systems which combine the continuous activities and discrete transitions together [Bra05]. A bouncing ball system [JELS99] is a typical hybrid system. An elastic ball is dropped from a certain height  $h_0$  and bounces with energy loss after reaching the ground. The height and the velocity of the ball change continuously between each bounce, and the velocity of the ball changes discretely when bouncing. In oder to model hybrid systems we introduce hybrid automata which are graph specifications of hybrid systems. Hybrid automata specify discrete transitions by edges and continuous activities by vertices.

**Definition 2.1.1** (Syntax of Hybrid Automata [ACH<sup>+</sup>95]). A hybrid automaton (HA)  $\mathcal{H}$  is a tuple  $\mathcal{H} = (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init)$  with

- Loc is a finite set of locations.
- Var is a finite set of real-valued variables. A valuation  $\nu$  for the variables is a function  $\nu$ :  $Var \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  assigning a real value to each variable  $x \in Var$ . We use V to denote the set of valuations.

A state is a pair  $s = (l,\nu)$  where  $l \in Loc$  and  $\nu \in V$ . We use  $\Sigma$  to denote the set of states.

- Lab is a finite set of synchronization labels, including the stutter label  $\tau \in Lab$ .
- Edge is a finite set of transitions. Each transition  $e = (l, a, \mu, l')$  consists of a source location  $l \in Loc$ , a target location  $l' \in Loc$ , a synchronization label  $a \in Lab$ , and a transition relation  $\mu \subseteq V^2$ . If  $(\nu, \nu') \in \mu$  we call  $\nu$  the predecessor and  $\nu'$  the successor. For all transitions with label  $\tau$  we call  $\tau$ -transitions.
- Act is a labeling function that assigns to each location l ∈ Loc a set of activities. Each activity is a continuous function f : ℝ → V that assigns nonnegative reals to a valuation in V. The activities of each location are time-invariant: for all

locations  $l \in Loc$ , all activities  $f \in Act(l)$ , and nonnegative reals  $t \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ ,  $(f+t) \in Act(l)$  holds where (f+t)(t') = f(t+t') for all  $t' \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ .

- Inv is a labeling function, assigning an invariant  $Inv(l) \subseteq V$  to each location  $l \in Loc$ .
- Init is a set of initial states with  $Init \subseteq \Sigma$ .

Intuitively, variable  $x \in Var$  represents a continuous activity of the hybrid system and  $f \in Act(l)$  with  $l \in Loc$  shows how x changes according to time in state  $(l,\nu)$ where  $\nu \in V$ . A transition  $e = (l, a, \mu, l') \in Edge$  represents a discrete transition of the hybrid system. In the rest of this thesis we use  $\rightarrow$  to denote both continuous activities and discrete transitions.

**Definition 2.1.2** (Semantics of Hybrid Automata [ACH<sup>+</sup>95]). As hybrid systems contain discrete transitions and continuous activities, the semantics of a hybrid automaton  $\mathcal{H} = (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init)$  consist of two parts that are discrete instantaneous steps (also called jump) and continuous time steps (also called flow):

1. Discrete step semantics

$$\frac{(l, a, \mu, l') \in Edge \quad (\nu, \nu') \in \mu \quad \nu' \in Inv(l')}{(l, \nu) \xrightarrow{a} (l', \nu')} Rule_{discrete}$$

for state  $s = (l, \nu) \in \Sigma$  and for each discrete transition  $e = (l, a, \mu, l') \in Edge$ with source location l we say that e is enabled if and only if some  $(\nu, \nu') \in \mu$  is satisfied and synchronization label a occurs.

2. Time step semantics

$$\frac{f \in Act(l) \quad f(0) = \nu \quad f(t) = \nu' \quad t \ge 0 \quad f([0,t]) \subseteq Inv(l)}{(l,\nu) \stackrel{t}{\to} (l,\nu')} Rule_{time}$$

for state  $s = (l, \nu) \in \Sigma$  and for each continuous activity  $f \in Act(l)$  we say that the system stay at location l for t time step and the valuation changes to f(t)only if no valuation in [0,t] violates the invariant of the location l.

For a jump  $e = (l, a, \mu, l') \in Edge$  with  $(\nu, \nu') \in \mu$  we say that the predecessor  $\nu$  satisfies the guard g of e and the successor  $\nu'$  equals to the reset r of e. In the rest of this chapter we denote  $\mu = (g, r)$  for jumps.

**Example 2.1.1.** Figure 2.1 shows a simple hybrid automaton  $\mathcal{H}_1 = (Loc_1, Var_1, Lab_1, Edge_1, Act_1, Inv_1, Init_1)$  with

- $Loc_1 = \{l_0, l_1\},\$
- $Var_1 = \{x, y\},\$
- $Lab_1 = \{\tau, a\},\$
- $Edge_1 = \{e_0, e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4\}$  where

$$- e_0 = (l_0, \tau, (\nu, \nu), l_0) \text{ with } \nu \in V_{l_0}, - e_1 = (l_1, \tau, (\nu', \nu'), l_1) \text{ with } \nu' \in V_{l_1},$$

- $e_2 = (l_0, a, (\{y \ge 5\}, \{x := 0, y := 10\}), l_1),$
- $e_3 = (l_0, a, (\{y \ge 5\}, \{x := 0, y := 0\}), l_0),$
- $e_4 = (l_1, a, (\{y \le 5\}, \{x := 0, y := 0\}), l_0),$

 $e_0$  and  $e_1$  are  $\tau$ -transitions,  $e_2$ ,  $e_3$  and  $e_4$  are jumps,

- activity functions are represented by differential equations:  $Act_1(l_0) = \{\dot{x} = 1, \dot{y} = x\}$  and  $Act_1(l_1) = \{\dot{x} = -1, \dot{y} = x\}$ ,
- $Inv_1(l_0) = \{y \le 10\}$  and  $Inv_1(l_1) = \{true\},\$
- $Init_1 = (l_0, \{x = 0, y = 0\}).$



Figure 2.1: A simple hybrid automaton  $\mathcal{H}_1$ 

We introduce flows and jumps in detail separately. Firstly, we take flows in location  $l_0$  as an example: if invariant  $Inv_1(l_0) = \{y \le 10\}$  is satisfied for each time point in [0,t], then the system may stay in location  $l_0$  for t time step. Next, we take  $e_2$  as an example of jumps: If synchronization label a occurs and guard  $g = \{y \ge 5\}$  is satisfied at location  $l_0$ , then  $e_2$  is enabled; If  $e_2$  is taken, then the system will set the variables to the values given in effect  $r = \{x := 0, y := 10\}$ , i.e. x will be set to 0 and y will be set to 10, finally the system will reach location  $l_1$  from  $l_0$ . However, we notice that  $e_2$  and  $e_3$  have the same source location  $l_0$ , and they could be enabled at same time points, we say that the hybrid automaton  $\mathcal{H}_1$  is non-deterministic, which means that after  $e_2$  and  $e_3$  enabled the system choose one of enabled edges to take non-deterministically.

To simplify the graphical representations, in the rest of this thesis we omit  $\tau$ -transition, non-synchronization labels and trivial invariant in graphical representations.

A finite run [AD94]  $\rho$  of hybrid automata  $\mathcal{H} = (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init)$ with state set  $\Sigma$  is a sequence of transitions

$$\varrho = s_0 \xrightarrow{t_1, e_1} s_1 \xrightarrow{t_2, e_2} \dots \xrightarrow{t_n, e_n} s_n$$

where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $(s_i) = (l_i, \nu_i) \in \Sigma$  with  $0 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $(t_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n} \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ ,  $t_0 = 0$  and  $e_i = (l_{i-1}, a_i, (g_i, r_i), l_i) \in Edge$  with  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $a_i \in Lab$ ,  $g_i \in \mathcal{R}^n$  and  $r_i \in \mathcal{R}^n$ . Each transition  $s_{i-1} \xrightarrow{t_i, e_i} s_i$  with  $1 \leq i \leq n$  satisfies the following requirements:

- $\nu_{i-1} + f_{i-1}(t) \models g_i$ ,
- $\nu_{i-1} + f_{i-1}([0,t]) \subseteq Inv(i-1),$
- $\nu_i = r_i$ ,

where  $t = t_i - t_{i-1}$  and  $f_i \in Act(l_i)$ . We say that *n* is the length of the run  $\varrho$ . We use  $Run_f(\mathcal{H}, s_0)$  to denote the set of all finite runs from  $s_0$  in  $\mathcal{H}$ . Similarly an infinite run [AD94]  $\varrho$  of  $\mathcal{H}$  is an infinite sequence of transitions.

$$\varrho = s_0 \xrightarrow{t_1, e_1} s_1 \xrightarrow{t_2, e_2} s_2 \xrightarrow{t_3, e_3} \dots$$

with  $(s_i)_{i\in\mathbb{N}}\in\Sigma$ ,  $(t_i)_{i\in\mathbb{N}^+}\in\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  and  $(e_i)_{i\in\mathbb{N}^+}\in Edge$ , satisfying the above requirements. We use  $Run(\mathcal{H},s_0)$  to denote the set of all infinite runs from  $s_0$ .

## 2.2 Rectangular Automata

Rectangular automata is one of the particularly important subclasses of hybrid automata. Rectangular automata inherit all components of hybrid automata and restrict their initializations, invariants, activities, and transition relations by rectangular regions.

**Definition 2.2.1** (Rectangular Region). Given a region  $R \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  with n > 0, R is called rectangular if it is a cartesian product of (possibly unbounded) intervals, all of whose finite endpoints are rational:

$$R = I_0 \times I_1 \times \ldots \times I_{n-1}$$
  
= {(x\_0, x\_1, \ldots, x\_{n-1}) \in \mathbb{R}^n | \forall 0 \le i \le n-1. x\_i \in I\_i }.

We use  $\mathcal{R}^n$  to denote the set of all rectangular regions in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Definition 2.2.2** (Syntax of Rectangular Automata [HKPV98]). An n-dimensional rectangular automaton (shortly rectangular automaton or RA) is a hybrid automaton  $\mathcal{H} = (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init)$  with restricted labeling function:

- Edge is a finite set of transitions. Each transition  $e = (l, a, \mu, jump, l')$  consists of a source location  $l \in Loc$ , a target location  $l' \in Loc$ , a synchronization label  $a \in Lab$ , and a transition relation  $(\mu, jump) \subseteq (\mathcal{R}^n \times \mathcal{R}^n) \times 2^{\{1,\ldots,n\}}$  with  $\mu = (g,r)$ . For each  $i \in jump$  the value of variable  $x_i \in Var$  will be changed to a value  $v \in r_i$  non-deterministically and for each  $i \notin jump$  the value of variable  $x_i \in Var$  does not change.
- $Act: Loc \to \mathcal{R}^n$ .
- $Inv: Loc \to \mathcal{R}^n$ .
- $Init: Loc \to \mathcal{R}^n$ .

**Definition 2.2.3** (Semantics of Rectangular Automata [HKPV98]). The semantics of a rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H} = (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init)$  also consist of two parts that are discrete instantaneous steps (also called jump) and continuous time steps (also called flow):

1. Discrete step semantics

$$\frac{(l, a, (g, r), jump, l') \in Edge}{(l, v) \in r \quad \forall i \notin jump.\nu'_i = \nu_i \quad \nu' \in Inv(l')}{(l, \nu) \xrightarrow{a} (l', \nu')} Rule_{discrete}$$

for state  $s = (l, \nu) \in \Sigma$  and for each discrete transition  $e = (l, a, (g, r), jump, l') \in$ Edge of location l we say that e is enabled if and only if the valuation  $\nu$  satisfies the guard g and synchronization label a occurs, the system may take the transition e and in the meanwhile update the value of variables in jump to r only if updated valuation  $\nu'$  does not violate the invariant of target location.

2. Time step semantics

$$\frac{(t=0 \land \nu=\nu') \lor (t>0 \land (\nu'-\nu)/t \in Act(l)) \quad \nu' \in Inv(l)}{(l,\nu) \xrightarrow{t} (l,\nu')} Rule_{time}$$

for state  $s = (l, \nu) \in \Sigma$  the system may stay at location for t time step and update valuation to  $\nu'$  only if either t is zero and valuation does not change or the ratio of difference between  $\nu'$  and  $\nu$  to t meets the continuous activities of l and  $\nu'$  does not violate the invariant of l.

We say that the rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H}$  is initialized, if for every edge e = (l, a, (g, r), jump, l') of  $\mathcal{H}$ , every variable index  $i \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$  with  $Act(l)_i \neq Act(l')_i$  we have  $i \in jump$ .

**Example 2.2.1.** Figure 2.2 shows a simple rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H}_2 = (Loc_2, Var_2, Lab_2, Edge_2, Act_2, Inv_2, Init_2)$ .  $\mathcal{H}_2$  is quite similar to  $\mathcal{H}_1$ , the main difference between  $\mathcal{H}_2$  and  $\mathcal{H}_1$  is the labeling function. Act\_1 in  $\mathcal{H}_1$  contains linear differential equation  $\dot{y} = x$ , which is not restricted to rectangular regions. However all activity functions in  $Act_2 = \{\{\dot{x} = 1, \dot{y} = 2\}, \{\dot{x} = -1, \dot{y} \in [-2, -1]\}\}$  are obviously restricted to rectangular regions. Another difference is that if  $e_4$  is taken, then the value of y in  $\mathcal{H}_2$  will be changed to a value  $v \in [0,10]$  non-deterministically. We notice that  $e_2$  and  $e_3$  have the same source location, and they could be enabled at same time points. Therefore  $\mathcal{H}_2$  is also non-deterministic.

If we remove edge  $e_3$  in  $\mathcal{H}_2$ , we will get an initialized rectangular automaton, because for each  $e_i = (l, a, (g, r), jump, l') \in Edge_2$  with  $i \in \{2, 4\}$  we have  $Act_2(l)(x) \neq Act_2(l')(x)$  and  $Act_2(l)(y) \neq Act_2(l')(y)$ .

Given a rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H} = (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init)$  with state set  $\Sigma$ , a finite run [AD94]  $\varrho$  of  $\mathcal{H}$  is a sequence of transitions

$$\rho = s_0 \xrightarrow{t_1, e_1} s_1 \xrightarrow{t_2, e_2} \dots \xrightarrow{t_n, e_n} s_n$$

where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $(s_i) = (l_i, \nu_i) \in \Sigma$  with  $0 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $(t_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n} \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ ,  $t_0 = 0$  and  $e_i = (l_{i-1}, a_i, (g_i, r_i), jump_i, l_i) \in Edge$  with  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $a_i \in Lab$ ,  $g_i \in \mathcal{R}^n$  and  $r_i \in \mathcal{R}^n$ . Each transition  $s_{i-1} \xrightarrow{t_i, e_i} s_i$  with  $1 \leq i \leq n$  satisfies the following requirements:



Figure 2.2: A simple rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H}_2$ 

- $\nu_{i-1} + f_{i-1}(t) \models g_i$ ,
- $\nu_{i-1} + f_{i-1}([0,t]) \subseteq Inv(i-1),$
- $\forall x \notin jump_i$ .  $\nu_i(x) = \nu_{i-1} + f_{i-1}(t)$ ,
- $\forall x \in jump_i.\nu_i(x) = r_i(x),$

where  $t = t_i - t_{i-1}$  and  $f_i \in Act(l_i)$ . We say that *n* is the length of the run  $\varrho$ . We use  $Run_f(\mathcal{H}, s_0)$  to denote the set of all finite runs from  $s_0$  in  $\mathcal{H}$ . Similarly an infinite run [AD94]  $\varrho$  of  $\mathcal{H}$  is an infinite sequence of transitions.

$$p = s_0 \xrightarrow{t_1, e_1} s_1 \xrightarrow{t_2, e_2} s_2 \xrightarrow{t_3, e_3} \dots$$

with  $(s_i)_{i\in\mathbb{N}}\in\Sigma$ ,  $(t_i)_{i\in\mathbb{N}^+}\in\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  and  $(e_i)_{i\in\mathbb{N}^+}\in Edge$ , satisfying the above requirements. We use  $Run(\mathcal{H},s_0)$  to denote the set of all infinite runs from  $s_0$ .

**Definition 2.2.4** (Direct Successors [BK08]). Let  $\mathcal{H} = (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init)$  be a rectangular automaton. For  $s \in \Sigma$  and  $e \in Edge$ , the set of direct e-successors of s is defined as:

$$Post(s,e) = \{ s' \in \Sigma \mid \exists t \in \mathbb{R}_{>0} . s \xrightarrow{t,e} s' \},\$$

and the set of direct successors of s is defined as:

$$Post(s) = \bigcup_{e \in Edge} Post(s,e).$$

Each state  $s' \in Post(s,e)$  is a direct *e*-successor of *s*, and each state  $s' \in Post(s)$  is a direct successor of *s*.

Given a rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H} = (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init)$  with state set  $\Sigma$ , a finite path  $\hat{\pi}(s_0, e_1 \dots e_n)$  of  $\mathcal{H}$  is a set of all finite runs starting from  $s_0$ by taking  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$ , we define  $\hat{\pi}(s_0, e_1 \dots e_n) = \{\varrho = s_0 \xrightarrow{t_1, e_1} s_1 \xrightarrow{t_2, e_2} \dots \xrightarrow{t_n, e_n} s_n \in Run_f(\mathcal{H}, s_0) \mid \forall i \in \mathbb{N}. (1 \leq i \leq n \land t_i \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \land s_i \in Post(s_{i-1}, e_i))\}$ . An infinite path  $\pi(s_0, e_1 e_2 \dots)$  of  $\mathcal{H}$  is a set of all infinite runs that start from  $s_0$  and take  $e_1, e_2, \dots$  in sequence, we define  $\pi(s_0, e_1 e_2 \dots) = \{\varrho = s_0 \xrightarrow{t_1, e_1} s_1 \xrightarrow{t_2, e_2} s_2 \xrightarrow{t_3, e_3} \dots \in Run(\mathcal{H}, s_0) \mid \forall i \in \mathbb{N}. (i \geq 1 \land t_i \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \land s_i \in Post(s_{i-1}, e_i))\}.$  **Example 2.2.2.** We take a rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H}_2$  from Example 2.2.1. Assume  $s_0 = (l_0, \{x = 0, y = 0\})$  and  $s_1 = (l_1, \{x = 0, y = 10\})$  are states of  $\mathcal{H}_2$ . A possible finite run of  $\mathcal{H}_2$  is  $\varrho_1 = s_0 \xrightarrow{3,e_3} s_0 \xrightarrow{7,e_3} s_0 \xrightarrow{12,e_2} s_1$ , accordingly  $\widehat{\pi}(s_0,e_3e_3e_2)$  is the finite path fragment with  $\varrho_1 \in \widehat{\pi}(s_0,e_3e_3e_2)$ . A possible infinite run of  $\mathcal{H}_2$  is  $\varrho_2 = s_0 \xrightarrow{3,e_3} s_0 \xrightarrow{6,e_3} s_0 \xrightarrow{9,e_3} \ldots$ , accordingly  $\pi(s_0,e_3e_3\ldots)$  is the infinite path fragment with  $\varrho_2 \in \pi(s_0,e_3e_3\ldots)$ .

Given a rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H} = (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init)$ , a state  $s \in \Sigma$  and a transition  $e \in Edge$  of  $\mathcal{H}$ , we define  $I(s,e) = \{t \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \mid \exists s' \in \Sigma_{\mathcal{H}}.s \xrightarrow{t,e} s'\}$  an interval that may be spent on s before e taken and  $I(s) = \bigcup_{e \in Edge} I(s,e)$  an union of intervals that may be spent on s before any transition taken.

**Example 2.2.3.** We take a rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H}_2$  from Example 2.2.1. Assume  $s_0 = (l_0, \{x = 0, y = 0\})$  and  $s_1 = (l_1, \{x = 0, y = 10\})$  are states of  $\mathcal{H}_2$ . We have  $I(s_0, e_3)$  is [2.5,5] and  $I(s_0, e_2)$  is also [2.5,5], so  $I(s_0)$  is [2.5,5]. As  $Inv(l_1)$  is true the system may stay in  $l_1$  infinitely many time, we have  $I(s_1, e_4) = [2.5, +\infty)$ .

Given a rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H}$ , if  $I(s) \neq \emptyset$  for every state  $s \in \Sigma_{\mathcal{H}}$  is satisfied, we say that  $\mathcal{H}$  is a non-blocking rectangular automaton. Intuitively, for each state s of a non-blocking rectangular automaton there exists at least one jump transition that may be taken at some time point.  $\mathcal{H}_1$  and  $\mathcal{H}_2$  above are both non-blocking. In the rest of this thesis we only consider non-blocking rectangular automata.

### 2.3 Reachability Analysis

Generally we need to check whether certain functional events occur during the running time, thus we verify if certain properties are satisfied by the hybrid automata. Usually we consider the following two types of properties:

- 1. Safety properties: state that "nothing bad will happen". We verify if all states, which are defined as "bad states", are not reachable.
- 2. Liveness properties: state that "something good will happen". We verify if some states, which are defined as "good states", are reached.

In order to verify safety properties, we have to explore all the reachable states of the hybrid automata and intersect the reachable states with "bad states". If the intersection is an empty set we say that the safety properties is satisfied, otherwise not satisfied. This approach is called reachability analysis. Given a hybrid automaton  $\mathcal{H} = (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init)$  and  $s_0, s_1$  are two states of  $\mathcal{H}$ . We call  $s_1$  is reachable from  $s_0$  if there is a path from  $s_0$  to  $s_1$ , written as  $s_0 \mapsto^* s_1$  [ACH+95]. The reachability problem of hybrid automata is to ask, whether  $s_0 \mapsto^* s_1$  holds by given a hybrid automaton  $\mathcal{H}$  with its states  $s_0$  and  $s_1$ .

The general reachability problem for hybrid automata is undecidable [ACHH92]. Fortunately the time-bounded reachability problem for rectangular automata is decidable proved in [BDG<sup>+</sup>11]. Thus it is meaningful to apply reachability analysis on rectangular automata.

#### 2.3.1 Forward Analysis

Informally speaking forward analysis [ACH<sup>+</sup>95] is to compute the reachable state set  $Reach^+(Init)$  starting from initial state set Init as  $Reach^+(Init) = \{s \in \Sigma \mid \exists s_0 \in Init. s_0 \mapsto^* s\}$ . As each hybrid automaton has two types of steps which are jump and flow, we discuss one-step reachability separately.

We define the forward time closure  $\langle P \rangle_l^{\nearrow}$  over a set of valuations  $P \subseteq V$  at a location  $l \in Loc$  as

$$\nu \in \langle P \rangle_l^{\nearrow} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \exists \nu^{pre} \in V, t \in \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0}. \ \nu^{pre} \in P \land \nu = Act_l[\nu^{pre}](t) \land Inv_l[\nu],$$

a set of states is called region  $R_l = \{(l,\nu) \mid \nu \in P\}$ , and we define the region of forward time closure  $\langle R_l \rangle_l^{\times}$  as

$$\langle R_l \rangle_l^{\nearrow} = (l, \langle P \rangle_l^{\nearrow}),$$

and we extend to regions of all locations  $R = \bigcup_{l \in Loc} R_l$ :

$$\langle R \rangle^{\nearrow} = \bigcup_{l \in Loc} \langle R_l \rangle_l^{\nearrow}.$$

We define the *postcondition*  $post_e[P]$  over a set of valuations  $P \subseteq V$  with respect to an edge  $e = (l, a, \mu, l')$  as

$$\nu \in post_e[P] \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \exists \nu^{pre} \in V. \ \nu^{pre} \in P \land (\nu^{pre}, \nu) \in \mu \land Inv_{l'}[\nu], \forall \nu \in \mathcal{V} \land Inv_{l'}[\nu], \forall \nu \in \mathcal{V} \land Inv_{l'}[\nu], \forall \nu \in \mathcal{V} \land \mathcal{V} \: \mathcal{V} \:$$

the region  $post_e[R_l]$  as

$$post_e[R_l] = (l', post_e[P]),$$

where  $R_l = \{(l, \nu) | \nu \in P\}$ , and the set of regions post[R] as

$$post[R] = \bigcup_{e \in Edge} post_e[R_l],$$

where  $R = \bigcup_{l \in Loc} R_l$ .

We use reachable region  $(I \mapsto^*) \subseteq \Sigma$  to denote the set of all reachable states from states in the initial region  $I \subseteq \Sigma$ :

$$s \in (I \mapsto^*) \Leftrightarrow \exists s_0 \in I. \ s_0 \mapsto^* s.$$

**Example 2.3.1.** Consider the hybrid automaton  $\mathcal{H}_2$  in Figure 2.2. We compute the following set by using forward analysis:

• the set  $\langle x = 0 \land y = 0 \rangle_{l_0}^{\nearrow}$  reachable from  $x = 0 \land y = 0$  in location  $l_0$ :

$$\begin{split} \langle x = 0 \land y = 0 \rangle_{l_0}^{\nearrow} = \exists x^{pre} \exists y^{pre} \exists t \in \mathbb{R}^{\ge 0} . x^{pre} = 0 \land y^{pre} = 0 \\ \land x = x^{pre} + t \land y = y^{pre} + 2t \land y \le 10 \\ = \exists t \in \mathbb{R}^{\ge 0} . x = t \land y = 2t \land y \le 10 \\ = x \ge 0 \land 0 \le y \le 10 \end{split}$$

• the region  $\langle R_{l_0} \rangle_{l_0}^{\nearrow} = (l_0, x \ge 0 \land 0 \le y \le 10)$ 

• the set  $post_{e_2}[x \ge 0 \land 0 \le y \le 10]$  reachable from  $x \ge 0 \land 0 \le y \le 10$  in location  $l_0$  by taking transition  $e_2$ :

$$post_{e_2}[x \ge 0 \land 0 \le y \le 10] = \exists x^{pre} \exists y^{pre} . x^{pre} \ge 0 \land 0 \le y^{pre} \le 10 \land y^{pre} \ge 5$$
$$\land x = 0 \land y = 10 \land y \ge 0$$
$$= x = 0 \land y = 10$$

• the region  $post_{e_2}[R_{l_0}] = (l_1, x = 0 \land y = 10)$ 

The main idea of forward analysis is to calculate  $(I \mapsto^*) \subseteq \Sigma$  of states which are reachable from the initial states *I*. The general forward reachability analysis algorithm shows in Algorithm 1.

Algorithm 1: General forward reachability analysis algorithm [SFÁ19]				
Input: Set of initial states I				
<b>Output:</b> Set of reachable states $R$				
1 $R := I$				
2 $R_{new} := I$				
3 while $R_{new} \neq \emptyset$ do				
$4     R_{new} := \operatorname{Reach}(R_{new}) \setminus R$				
5 $R := R \bigcup R_{new}$				
6 end				

#### 2.3.2 Backward Analysis

Informally speaking backward analysis [ACH<sup>+</sup>95] could be seen as the reverse process of forward analysis which is to compute the reachable state set  $Reach^{-}(Goal)$  starting from a set of target states Goal, written as  $Reach^{-}(Goal) = \{s \in \Sigma \mid \exists s' \in Goal. \ s \mapsto^{*} s'\}$ . Similarly, we discuss one-step reachability under time and discrete steps separately.

We define the backward time closure  $\langle P \rangle_l^{\checkmark}$  over a set of valuations  $P \subseteq V$  at a location  $l \in Loc$  as

$$\nu \in \langle P \rangle_l^{\checkmark} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \exists \nu^{post} \in V, t \in \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0}. \ \nu^{post} = Act_l[\nu](t) \land \nu^{post} \in P \land Inv_l[\nu], \forall v \in \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0}. \ v \in \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0}.$$

the region  $\langle R_l \rangle_l^{\checkmark}$  where  $R_l = \{(l, \nu) \mid \nu \in P\}$  as

$$\langle R_l \rangle_l^{\checkmark} = (l, \langle P \rangle_l^{\checkmark}),$$

and the the set of region  $\langle R \rangle^{\checkmark}$  as

$$\langle R \rangle^{\swarrow} = \bigcup_{l \in Loc} \langle R_l \rangle_l^{\checkmark},$$

where  $R = \bigcup_{l \in Loc} R_l$ .

We define the precondition  $pre_e[P]$  over a set of valuations  $P \subseteq V$  with respect to an edge  $e = (l', a, \mu, l)$  as

$$\nu \in pre_e[P] \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \exists \nu^{post} \in V. \ \nu^{post} \in P \land (\nu, \nu^{post}) \in \mu \land Inv_{l'}[\nu],$$

the region  $pre_e[R_l]$  as

$$pre_e[R_{l'}] = (l', pre_e[P])$$

where  $R_{l'} = \{(l', \nu) | \nu \in P\}$ , and the set of region pre[R] as

$$pre[R] = \bigcup_{e=(l',a,\mu,l)\in Edge} pre_e[R_{l'}],$$

where  $R = \bigcup_{l' \in Loc} R_{l'}$ . We use initial region  $(\mapsto^* R) \subseteq \Sigma$  to denote the set of all states from which states in the target region  $R \subseteq \Sigma$  are reachable:

$$s \in (\mapsto^* R) \Leftrightarrow \exists s' \in R. \ s \mapsto^* s'.$$

# Chapter 3

# Stochastic Rectangular Automata

Rectangular automata may be non-deterministic, i.e. if more than one transitions, which have the same source location, are enabled at the same time, then system will choose one of the enabled transitions to take non-deterministically. Probabilistic rectangular automata generalize the subclass of rectangular hybrid automata that represent the non-deterministic behavior of the system by probability. Discrete-time probabilistic rectangular automata extend rectangular automata with discrete probability distributions over transitions.

### 3.1 Discrete-Time Probabilistic Rectangular Automata

**Definition 3.1.1** (Syntax of Discrete-Time Probabilistic Rectangular Automata [Spr11]). A discrete-time probabilistic rectangular automaton (DTPRA) is a tuple  $\mathcal{H}$  is a tuple  $\mathcal{H} = (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init, P)$  where:

- (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init) is a rectangular automaton
- P is a transition probability function  $P: Edge \rightarrow [0,1]$  such that:

$$\forall l \in Loc. \left(\sum_{e \in Edge} P(l,e) = 1\right)$$

**Definition 3.1.2** (Semantics of Probabilistic Rectangular Automata [Spr11]). The semantics of a probabilistic rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H} = (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init, P)$  also consist of jumps and flows:

1. Discrete step semantics

$$e = (l, a, pre, post, jump, l') \in Edge \quad P(l,e) > 0$$

$$\nu \in pre \quad \nu' \in post \quad \forall i \notin jump.v'_i = v_i \quad \nu' \in Inv(l')$$

$$(l,\nu) \xrightarrow{a} (l',\nu') \qquad Rule_{discrete}$$

except conditions of discrete step semantics of rectangular automata, transition e may be taken under the condition that probability of taking transition e at location l is greater than zero additionally.

2. Time step semantics are same as that in rectangular automata

**Example 3.1.1.** Figure 3.1 shows a simple discrete-time probabilistic rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H}_3 = (Loc_3, Var_3, Lab_3, Edge_3, Act_3, Inv_3, Init_3)$ . Compared to the rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H}_2$  in Figure 2.2,  $\mathcal{H}_3$  resolve the non-determination in  $\mathcal{H}_2$  by probability. If  $y \geq 5$  is satisfied in location  $l_0$ , the system will reach location  $l_1$  with the probability 0.9 and reach location  $l_0$  with the probability 0.1 respectively.



Figure 3.1: A simple discrete-time probabilistic rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H}_3$ 

## 3.2 Stochastic Rectangular Automata

Probabilistic rectangular automata using rules based on stochastic process are called stochastic rectangular automata. Intuitively the probability distribution of stochastic rectangular automata has two part, one is over delays, the other is over transitions. In the following we extend stochastic timed automata introduced in [BBB<sup>+</sup>14] to stochastic rectangular automata. We introduce probability distribution over delays firstly.

**Definition 3.2.1** (Probability Distribution over Delays of Rectangular Automata). Let  $\mathcal{H} = (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init)$  with state set  $\Sigma$  be a non-blocking rectangular automaton. The probability distribution on state  $s \in \Sigma$  over delays is a probability measure  $\mu_s$  over  $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$  which satisfies the following requirements:

- (H.1)  $\mu_s(I(s)) = \mu_s(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}) = 1$ , where I(s) is not empty as  $\mathcal{H}$  is non-blocking. The probability distribution is defined over delays in interval I(s), i.e. the probability of all value out of interval I(s) is zero, so we define that  $\mu_s(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \setminus I(s)) = 0$ ;
- (H.2) Let  $\lambda$  be a standard Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ . We consider the following two situations:
  - If  $\lambda(I(s)) = 0$ , then  $\mu_s$  is equivalent to the uniform distribution over points of I(s). In this case I(s) is a set of single points, because a point has measure zero.

 Otherwise, μ<sub>s</sub> is equivalent to λ on I(s). As I(s) is one-dimensional set, λ(I(s)) measures the length of interval I(s).

In both cases we say that two measures  $\mu$  and  $\mu'$  are equivalent, if for every measurable set I,  $\mu(I) = 0 \iff \mu'(I) = 0$  holds. Intuitively, we cannot set the probability of enabling some transitions outgoing from s to zero.

Notice that the probability measure  $\mu_s$  is defined on Borel  $\sigma$  – algebra.

Next we introduce the probability distribution over transitions.

**Definition 3.2.2** (Probability Distribution over Transitions of Rectangular Automata). Let  $\mathcal{H} = (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init)$  with state set  $\Sigma$  be a non-blocking rectangular automaton. Let  $p_s$  be a probability distribution of state s over transitions. By assigning a weight w(e) > 0 to each transition  $e \in Edge$  the probability of taking e is defined as:

$$e \text{ is enabled in } s \iff p_s(e) = \frac{w(e)}{\sum_{e' \text{ is enabled }} w(e')} > 0.$$

We extend rectangular automata to stochastic rectangular automata by adding probability distribution over delays and transitions.

**Definition 3.2.3** (Stochastic Rectangular Automata). A stochastic rectangular automaton (SRA) is a tuple  $\mathcal{H} = (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init, \mu, w, \iota_{init})$  with state set  $\Sigma$  where:

- (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init) is a rectangular automaton,
- µ is a set of probability distribution over delays: μ = ⋃<sub>s∈Σ</sub> μ<sub>s</sub> where μ<sub>s</sub> is defined
   as in Definition 3.2.1,
- w is a set of weight functions: w = U<sub>e∈Edge</sub> w(e), the probability p<sub>s</sub>(e) is defined as in Definition 3.2.2,
- $\iota_{init}$  is a initial distribution over states:  $\iota_{init}(s) = 0$  for all states  $s \notin$  Init and  $\sum_{s \in \Sigma} \iota_{init}(s) = 1$ .

We will discuss the reachability in the rest of this thesis, if the set of target states is not reachable from initial states after infinitely many steps, i.e. there is no such finite run that ever reaches one of target states, we say that target states are not reachable. In other words once there exists a finite run that reaches at least one of target states, we say that the set of target states is reachable. So what we really interested in is the probability distribution over finite paths that may reach the set of target states.

**Definition 3.2.4** (Probability Distribution over Finite Paths of SRA). Let  $\mathcal{H} = (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, \mu, w, \iota_{init})$  with state set  $\Sigma$  be a stochastic rectangular automaton and let  $\hat{\pi}(s_0, e_1 \dots e_n)$  be a finite path of  $\mathcal{H}$ . The probability of  $\hat{\pi}(s_0, e_1 \dots e_n)$  starting from  $s_0$  and taking  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$  in sequence is defined as:

$$\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}}(\widehat{\pi}(s, e_1 e_2 \dots e_n)) = \int_{t \in I(s, e_1)} p_{s+t}(e_1) \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}}(\widehat{\pi}(s', e_2 \dots e_n)) d\mu_s(t)$$

where s+t represents the state that stays at the location of s and changes the valuation according to the activities of the location. We use  $s \xrightarrow{t} s + t \xrightarrow{e} s'$  to denote the

transition over states which takes flow  $s \xrightarrow{t} s + t$  and jump  $s + t \xrightarrow{e} s'$  in sequence. Initially, we define  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}}(\widehat{\pi}(s_0)) = 1$ .

We define the probability that the system starts from  $s_0$  and takes  $e_1, e_2, \ldots, e_n$  in sequence as:

 $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}}((s, e_1 e_2 \dots e_n)) = \iota(s) \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}}(\widehat{\pi}(s, e_1 e_2 \dots e_n)).$ 



Figure 3.2: A simple stochastic rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H}_4$ 

**Example 3.2.1.** Figure 3.2 shows a simple stochastic rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H}_4 = (Loc_4, Var_4Lab_4, Edge_4, Act_4, Inv_4, Init_4, \mu, w, \iota_{init})$ . Assume that  $s_0 = (l_0, \{x = 0, y = 0\})$  is a state of  $\mathcal{H}_4$ ,  $\mu_{s_0}$  is uniform distribution over  $I(s_0)$  and  $\iota_{init}(s_0) = 1$ . The weight of each transition is marked with numbers in blue. The probability of starting from  $s_0$  and taking  $e_{3}, e_{3}$  in sequence is:

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}_4}((s_0, e_3 e_3)) &= \iota(s_0) \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}_4}(\widehat{\pi}(s_0, e_3 e_3)) \\ &= 1 \cdot \int_{t \in I(s_0, e_3)} p_{s_0 + t}(e_3) \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}_4}(\widehat{\pi}(s_0, e_3)) d\mu_{s_0}(t) \\ &= \int_{2.5}^5 \frac{w(e_3)}{w(e_2) + w(e_3)} \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}_4}(\widehat{\pi}(s_0, e_3)) d\frac{1}{|I(s_0)|} \cdot t \\ &= \int_{2.5}^5 \frac{2}{3} \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}_4}(\widehat{\pi}(s_0, e_3)) d\frac{1}{2.5} \cdot t \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \int_{2.5}^5 \left( \int_{u \in I(s_0, e_3)} p_{s_0 + u}(e_3) \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}_4}(\widehat{\pi}(s_0)) d\mu_{s_0}(u) \right) d\frac{1}{2.5} \cdot t \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \int_{2.5}^5 \left( \frac{w(e_3)}{w(e_2) + w(e_3)} \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}_4}(\widehat{\pi}(s_0)) d\frac{1}{|I(s_0)|} \cdot u \right) d\frac{1}{2.5} \cdot t \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \int_{2.5}^5 \left( \int_{2.5}^5 \frac{2}{3} \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}_4}(\widehat{\pi}(s_0)) d\frac{1}{2.5} \cdot u \right) d\frac{1}{2.5} \cdot t \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \int_{2.5}^5 \left( \int_{2.5}^5 1 d\frac{1}{2.5} \cdot u \right) d\frac{1}{2.5} \cdot t \end{split}$$

$$=\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{3}$$
$$=\frac{4}{9}$$

The probability of starting from  $s_0$  and taking transition  $e_3$  n-times is  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}_4}((s_0, e_3^n)) = 1 \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n$  with  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If n is infinitely close to positive infinity, then the probability  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}(\hat{\pi}((s_0, e_3^n)))$  is infinitely close to zero, which means that the probability of continuously taking transition  $e_3$  infinitely many times is zero.

# Chapter 4

# **Reachability Analysis**

## 4.1 Probability over Finite Path

Given a stochastic rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H} = (Loc, Var, Lab, Edge, Act, Inv, Init, \mu, w, \iota_{init})$  with state set  $\Sigma$  and a finite path  $\hat{\pi}(s_0, e_1 \dots e_n)$ . We calculate the probability  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}}(\hat{\pi}(s_0, e_1 e_2 \dots e_n))$  as following:

$$\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}}(\widehat{\pi}(s, e_1 e_2 \dots e_n)) = \int_{t \in I(s, e_1)} p_{s+t}(e_1) \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}}(\widehat{\pi}(s', e_2 \dots e_n)) d\mu_s(t)$$

where  $s \xrightarrow{t} s + t \xrightarrow{e} s'$  with  $s, s + t, s' \in \Sigma$ ,  $t \ge 0$  and  $e \in Edge$ , and initially we define  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}}(\widehat{\pi}(s)) = 1$  for every state  $s \in \Sigma$ . The most important part is the calculation of interval I(s, e) that may be spent on state s before transition e taken.

#### 4.1.1 Interval Calculation

Intuitively we could get the intersection of current valuation, activities, invariants, guards and resets, then eliminating variables except the time variable. Intersection of current valuation, activities and invariants is the set of all valuations that may be reachable in current location of current state, which is similar to forward time closure.

We define the interval [(s,e)] over time with a state set  $S = (l,\phi^{init})$  before taking transition e = (l,a,(guard,reset),jump,l') in location l as:

$$t \in [(s,e)] \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \exists \nu^{pre}, \nu, \nu^{post} \in V. \ 0 \le t \land \nu^{pre} \models \phi^{init} \land \nu = Act_l[\nu^{pre}](t) \land Inv_l[\nu] \land guard[\nu] \land \nu^{post} = reset[\nu] \land Inv_{l'}[\nu^{post}]$$

Stochastic timed automata is a subclass of stochastic rectangular automata, whose variables are a finite set of clocks. Clocks are a set of variables, that change with rate one and can only be inspected and reset to zero. Thus a clock indicates the amount of time after reseting. As our point of Section 4.1 is to describe the calculation process clearly, our examples in Section 4.1 deal with stochastic timed automata that are relatively simpler than stochastic rectangular automata in terms of calculation.

**Example 4.1.1.** Figure 4.1 shows a simple stochastic timed automaton  $A_1$  with a single clock  $\{x\}$  and two locations  $\{l_0, l_1\}$ . The weight of each transition is marked with numbers in blue. We consider transition  $e_0$  and  $e_1$ : by taking  $e_0$  clock x will not

be reseted, however by taking  $e_1$  clock x will be reseted to zero. We compute  $I(s_0,e_0)$ and  $I(s_0,e_1)$  where  $s_0$  is a state to find how reseting influences the interval calculation result:

• the interval  $[(s_0,e_0)]$  from state  $s_0 = (l_0,\{x=0\})$  before taking  $e_0$  which does not reset x:

$$\begin{split} [(s_0,e_0)] = &\exists x^{pre}, x, x^{post}. \ 0 \le t \land x^{pre} = 0 \land x = x^{pre} + t \land x \le 10 \\ &\land 5 \le x \land x^{post} = x \land x^{post} \le 8 \\ = &\exists x, x^{post}. \ 0 \le t \land x = 0 + t \land x \le 10 \\ &\land 5 \le x \land x^{post} = x \land x^{post} \le 8 \\ = &\exists x^{post}. \ 0 \le t \land t \le 10 \land 5 \le t \land x^{post} = t \land x^{post} \le 8 \\ = &0 \le t \land 5 \le t \land t \le 8 \land t \le 10 \\ = &5 \le t \le 8, \end{split}$$

so  $I(s_0, e_0) = [5, 8];$ 

• the interval  $[(s_0,e_1)]$  from state  $s_0 = (l_0, \{x = 0\})$  before taking  $e_1$  which resets x:

$$[(s_0, e_0)] = \exists x^{pre}, x, x^{post}, 0 \le t \land x^{pre} = 0 \land x = x^{pre} + t \land x \le 10$$
  

$$\land 5 \le x \land x^{post} = 0 \land x^{post} \le 8$$
  

$$= \exists x, x^{post}, 0 \le t \land x = 0 + t \land x \le 10$$
  

$$\land 5 \le x \land x^{post} = 0 \land x^{post} \le 8$$
  

$$= \exists x^{post}, 0 \le t \land t \le 10 \land 5 \le t \land x^{post} = 0 \land x^{post} \le 8$$
  

$$= 0 \le t \land 5 \le t \land t \le 10 \land 0 \le 8$$
  

$$= 5 \le t \le 10,$$

so  $I(s_0, e_1) = [5, 10];$ 

We find that if clock x is reseted by taking transition  $e_1$  to reach location  $l_1$  from location  $l_0$ , the restriction  $Inv_{l_1}$  on x does not influence the result of interval calculation; otherwise the result depends on  $Inv_{l_1}$  on x.

$$e_{0}: 1 \ x \ge 5$$

$$x := 0$$

$$l_{0}$$

$$x \ge 10$$

$$x \ge 5 \ x := 0$$

$$x \ge 6 \ x := 0$$

$$e_{2}: 1$$

Figure 4.1: A simple stochastic timed automaton  $\mathcal{A}_1$ 

#### 4.1.2 Transition Probability Calculation

Once I(s,e) is determined, the probability distribution over transitions can also be calculates. For each transition e' if the intersection of I(s,e) and I(s,e') is not empty, we say that transition e' is enabled at some time point in I(s,e). We use  $I^{\cap}(s,e) = \{I(s,e) \cap I(s,e') \mid \forall e' \in Edge. \ I(s,e) \cap I(s,e') \neq \emptyset\}$  to denote a set of intersections of I(s,e) and I(s,e') with e' enabled at some time point in I(s,e). However we notice that for every possible enabled transitions e', if  $I(s,e) \cap I(s,e') \neq I(s,e)$ , we need to divided I(s,e) into:

- $I(s,e) \cap I(s,e')$  in which e' is enabled,
- $I(s,e) \setminus (I(s,e) \cap I(s,e'))$  in which e' is not enabled.

Therefore, it is essential to construct a set of intervals for transitions, that each transition is either enabled or not enabled in each interval of the set, rather than enabled in part of the interval. We apply Algorithm 2 to separate the interval I(s,e) into disjoint intervals, such that for each transition and each disjoint interval, transition is either enabled during the interval or not enabled at any time point of the interval. We use  $I^{disj}(s,e) = \{I \mid I \subseteq I(s,e)\}$  with  $\bigcup_{I \in I^{disj}} I = I(s,e)$  and  $\forall I_1, I_2 \in I^{disj}$ .  $I_1 \cap I_2 = \emptyset$ to denote resulted disjoint intervals,  $E^+(s,I) = \{e' \mid I \subseteq I(s,e')\}$  to denote the set of enabled transitions in interval I, and  $I^+(s,e) = \{(I,E^+(s,I)) \mid I \in I^{disj}(s,e)\}$  to denote the pair of interval and set of enabled transition in it.

Algorithm 2: Disjoint Intervals Calculation

**Input:** Set of intervals  $I^{\cap}(s,e)$ , interval I(s,e)**Output:** Set of new intervals  $I^{disj}$ 1 begin  $I^{disj} := \emptyset;$  $\mathbf{2}$ Intervals :=  $I^{\cap}(s,e) \cup I(s,e)$ ; 3 while  $Intervals \neq \emptyset$  do 4 I := Intervals.front();5 Intervals.pop(); 6 i := Intervals.begin();7 while  $i \neq Intervals.end()$  do 8 tempI := Intervals.at(i);9 10 inter $I := I \cap tempI$ ; if  $interI \neq \emptyset$  then 11 if  $I \setminus interI \neq \emptyset$  then 12 if  $Intervals.find(I \setminus interI) = NULL$  then 13 14  $Intervals.push(I \setminus interI);$ if  $tempI \setminus interI \neq \emptyset$  then 15if  $Intervals.find(tempI \setminus interI) = NULL$  then 16  $Intervals.push(tempI \setminus interI);$ 17I := interI;18 Intervals.erase(i); 19 20 i++; $I^{disj}.push(I)$ 21

**Example 4.1.2.** Consider the stochastic timed automaton  $\mathcal{A}_1$  in Figure 4.1. In Example 4.1.1 we calculate  $I(s_0,e_0)$  and  $(s_0,e_1)$  with  $s_0 = (l_0,\{x = 0\})$ , and the results are [5,8] and [5,10] respectively. We calculate the probability  $p_{s_0+t}(e_1)$  with  $t \in I(s_0,e_1)$  by applying Algorithm 2 we have:

- $I^{\cap}(s_0, e_1) = \{[5, 10], [5, 8]\},\$
- $I^{disj}(s_0, e_1) = \{ [5,8], (8,10] \},\$
- $E^+(s_0, [5,8]) = \{e_0, e_1\}$  and  $E^+(s_0, (8, 10]) = \{e_1\},\$
- $I^+(s,e) = \{([5,8], \{e_0,e_1\}), ((8,10], \{e_1\})\},\$
- $t \in [5,8]$ :  $p_{s_0+t}(e_1) = \frac{w(e_1)}{\sum_{e \in E^+(s_0,[5,8])} w(e)} = \frac{w(e_1)}{w(e_0) + w(e_1)} = \frac{2}{3}$ ,

• 
$$t \in (8,10]$$
:  $p_{s_0+t}(e_1) = \frac{w(e_1)}{\sum_{e \in E^+(s_0,(8,10])} w(e)} = \frac{w(e_1)}{w(e_1)} = 1.$ 

#### 4.1.3 Path Probability Calculation

We refine the calculation of probability  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}}(\widehat{\pi}(s, e_1 e_2 \dots e_n))$  as following:

$$\begin{split} & \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}}(\widehat{\pi}(s, e_{1}e_{2} \dots e_{n})) \\ &= \int_{t \in I(s, e_{1})} p_{s+t}(e_{1}) \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}}(\widehat{\pi}(s', e_{2} \dots e_{n})) d\mu_{s}(t) \\ &= \sum_{(I', E^{+}(s, I')) \in I^{+}(s, e_{1})} \left( \int_{t \in I'} p_{s+t}(e_{1}) \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}}(\widehat{\pi}(s', e_{2} \dots e_{n})) d\mu_{s}(t) \right) \\ &= \sum_{(I', E^{+}(s, I')) \in I^{+}(s, e_{1})} \left( \int_{t \in I'} \frac{w(e_{1})}{\sum_{e_{1}' \in E^{+}(s, I')} w(e_{1}')} \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}}(\widehat{\pi}(s', e_{2} \dots e_{n})) d\mu_{s}(t) \right) \end{split}$$

where  $s \xrightarrow{t} s + t \xrightarrow{e} s'$  with  $s, s + t, s' \in \Sigma$ ,  $t \ge 0$  and  $e \in Edge$ , and initially we define  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}}(\widehat{\pi}(s)) = 1$  for every state s.

**Example 4.1.3.** Consider the stochastic timed automaton  $\mathcal{A}_1$  in Figure 4.1. In Example 4.1.2 we have  $I^+(s,e) = \{([5,8],\{e_0,e_1\}),((8,10],\{e_1\})\}$ . Intuitively there are two disjoint interval sets, which are  $I_0 = [5,8]$  and  $I_1 = (8,10]$ . Assume that  $s_0 = (l_0,\{x=0\})$  is a state of  $\mathcal{A}_1$ ,  $\mu_{s_0}$  is uniform distribution over  $I(s_0)$  and  $\iota_{init}(s_0) = 1$ . The weight of each transition is marked with numbers in blue in Figure 4.1. The probability of starting from  $s_0$  and taking  $e_1$  is:

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}_{1}}((s_{0},e_{1})) = \iota(s_{0}) \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}_{1}}(\widehat{\pi}(s_{0},e_{1})) \\ = & 1 \cdot \int_{t \in I(s_{0},e_{1})} p_{s_{0}+t}(e_{1}) \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}_{1}}(\widehat{\pi}(s_{0})d\mu_{s_{0}}(t)) \\ = & \int_{t \in I_{0}} p_{s_{0}+t}(e_{1}) \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}_{1}}(\widehat{\pi}(s_{0})d\mu_{s_{0}}(t)) \\ & + \int_{t \in I_{1}} p_{s_{0}+t}(e_{1}) \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}_{1}}(\widehat{\pi}(s_{0})d\mu_{s_{0}}(t)) \\ = & \int_{5}^{8} \frac{w(e_{1})}{w(e_{0}) + w(e_{1})} \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}_{1}}(\widehat{\pi}(s_{0}))d\frac{1}{|I(s_{0})|} \cdot t \end{split}$$

$$+ \int_{8}^{10} \frac{w(e_{1})}{w(e_{1})} \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}_{1}}(\widehat{\pi}(s_{0})) d\frac{1}{|I(s_{0})|} \cdot t$$

$$= \int_{5}^{8} \frac{2}{3} \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}_{1}}(\widehat{\pi}(s_{0})) d\frac{1}{5} \cdot t + \int_{8}^{10} 1 \cdot \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}_{1}}(\widehat{\pi}(s_{0})) d\frac{1}{5} \cdot t$$

$$= \int_{5}^{8} \frac{2}{3} \cdot 1 d\frac{1}{5} \cdot t + \int_{8}^{10} 1 \cdot 1 d\frac{1}{5} \cdot t$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{5} + \frac{2}{5}$$

$$= \frac{12}{15}$$

## 4.2 Forward Analysis for Probabilistic Rectangular Automata

Intuitively our analysis is based on the idea of computation tree. The nodes of the tree denote every reachable state set. For each state set s, if s' is reachable from s by taking transition e, we say that s' is a child of s. A path from node s to s' of the tree denote a transition  $s \xrightarrow{t,e} s'$  with state sets s,s', time  $t \ge 0$ , and transition e. Figure 4.2 illustrates how the computation tree constructed (bad states are marked in red). The main difficulties during our implementation is to solve the following situations in Figure 4.2 properly:



Figure 4.2: A forward analysis computation tree

- 1. Time-step successor contains bad states: after time  $t_4$  and taking  $\tau$ -transition from  $s_1$  a bad state  $s_4$  is reached; As  $\tau$ -transition does not change the location,  $s_4$  stays in the location of  $s_1$ ; we need not to calculate the successors of  $s_4$ .
- 2. Jump-step successors contain bad states:
  - transition  $s_2 \xrightarrow{t_6, e_6} s_6$  is simple to deal with. As  $s_6$  is a bad state, we simply ignore all successors of  $s_6$ .

- for transition s<sub>2</sub> t<sub>5,e5</sub>/(s<sub>5</sub>) s<sub>5</sub> we notice that only part of s<sub>5</sub> is bad. Before doing further calculation we separate s<sub>5</sub> into s'<sub>5</sub> and s''<sub>5</sub> with s'<sub>5</sub> ∪ s''<sub>5</sub> = s<sub>5</sub> and s'<sub>5</sub> ∩ s''<sub>5</sub> = Ø, where s''<sub>5</sub> is the intersection of s<sub>5</sub> and bad states. Therefore we simplify the calculation by ignoring all successors of s''<sub>5</sub>.
- 3. Successors have been visited before:
  - $s_{11}$  is one of the successors of  $s_9$ , besides  $s_{11}$  equals to  $s_7$  and  $s_7$  is one of the predecessors of  $s_9$ ; In other words, if there exists a loop along the path, we only need to calculate every states of the loop once.
  - $s_{10}$  is one of the successors of  $s_9$  and  $s_{10}$  equals to  $s_8$ , however there is no such path that  $s_8 \rightarrow^* s_9$ ; To solve this problem we construct an unbounded queue to store visited states, therefore if  $s_8$  is visited we need not to do calculation on  $s_{10}$  which is the successor of  $s_9$ .

#### 4.2.1 Implementation

The basic idea of step successor calculation is depicted in Algorithm 3. Time-step successor and jump-step successor are calculated in sequence. Line 4 to 9 and Line 12 to 15 describe how we deal with the situation if the time-step successor  $s_t$  contains bad states and the jump-step successor s' contains bad states respectively. We separate the successors into two parts, one called  $s_{bad}$  is the intersection of  $s_t$  and bad states. We do not need to do further calculation on  $s_{bad}$ .

```
Algorithm 3: Forward Reachability
   Input: State: s, bad states: Bad
   Output: Set of pairs Results = \{(safe, (e, s'))\}
 1 begin
 2
        Results := \emptyset;
       calculate time-step successor s_t according to s;
 3
       if s_t \cap Bad \neq \emptyset then
 4
            s_{bad} := s_t \cap Bad;
 5
            e := \tau;
 6
            s' := s_{bad};
 7
            Results.push((false,(e,s')));
 8
            s_t := s_t \setminus s_{bad};
 9
       calculate jump-step successors JumpSucc according to s_t;
10
       for (e,s') \in JumpSucc do
11
            if s' \cap Bad \neq \emptyset then
12
                s_{bad} := s' \cap Bad;
13
                Results.push((false,(e,s_{bad})));
14
                s' := s' \setminus s_{bad};
15
            Results.push((true,(e,s')));
16
```

The significant calculation is how to get  $S \setminus S_{bad}$  where  $S = (l, \phi), S_{bad} = (l, \phi_{bad}) \in \Sigma$  and  $S_{bad}$  is bad state set. Assume that  $\phi_{bad} = a_0 \wedge a_1 \wedge \ldots \wedge a_n$  with  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , in order to calculate  $S \setminus S_{bad}$  we need to calculate  $\phi \setminus \phi_{bad}$ . The problem is that  $\phi \wedge \neg \phi_{bad}$  may

contain disjunctions, which we need to avoid. The idea of eliminating disjunctions is to separate  $\phi \setminus \phi_{bad}$  into subsets  $\phi_0 = \{\phi \land \neg a_0\}, \phi_1 = \{\phi \land a_0 \land \neg a_1\}, \ldots, \phi_n = \{\phi \land \ldots \land a_{n-1} \land \neg a_n\}$ . Thus we get a set of states  $S_0 = (l,\phi_0), S_1 = (l,\phi_1), \ldots, S_n = (l,\phi_n)$ . The successor calculation is then applied on  $S_0, \ldots, S_n$  respectively.

The forward analysis is depicted in Algorithm 4. The forward analysis starts from initial states, and we use breadth-first search to implement the tree construction. For each unprocessed state we use forward reachability calculation described above to get the corresponding transitions and successors. Then we add the successors of processed state as a child of current node. If the successor is processed before we avoid to process second time which is indicated in Line 18 to 19. At the end we collect all reachable bad states.

Alg	gorithm 4: Forward Analysis					
Ir	Input: Hybrid Automaton HA					
0	<b>Output:</b> Set of unsafe states: UnsafeStates, reach tree: ReachTree					
1 b	1 begin					
2	Init is the set of initial states of $HA$ ;					
3	Bad is the set of bad states of $HA$ ;					
4	$Reached = \mathit{ToProcess} := \emptyset;$					
5	$ReachTree:=\emptyset;$					
6	$\textit{UnsafeStates} := \emptyset;$					
7	for $s_0 \in Init \operatorname{\mathbf{do}}$					
8	$ToProcess.push(s_0);$					
9	$\  \   $ add $s_0$ as a root of the tree <i>ReachTree</i> ;					
10	while !ToProcess.empty() do					
11	s := ToProcess.front();					
12	ToProcess.pop();					
13	Reached.push(s);					
14	Results := ForwardReachability(s, Bad);					
15	for $(safe, (e, s')) \in Results$ do					
16	add $s'$ as a child of $s$ in the tree <i>ReachTree</i> ;					
17	if safe then					
18	if $s' \notin Reached$ then					
19	$\Box$ ToProcess.push(s');					
20	else					
21	$\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ $					

## 4.3 Backward Analysis and Probability Calculation for Probabilistic Rectangular Automata

After collecting unsafe states, we could do backward analysis as well as probability calculation. Figure 4.3 illustrates how backward analysis works based on computation tree. Figure 4.3(a) depicts a computation tree constructed by forward analysis, there are two unsafe paths  $\pi_1 = s_0 \xrightarrow{t_1, e_1} s_1 \xrightarrow{t_4, e_4} s_4 \xrightarrow{t_7, e_7} s_7$  and  $\pi_2 = s_0 \xrightarrow{t_3, e_3} s_3 \xrightarrow{t_6, e_6} s_6$ ,

among which  $\pi_1$  is the longest. Figure 4.3(b) depicts that we get  $s'_4$  by one step predecessor calculation on longest path  $\pi_1$ . If there are more than one paths which are longest, we calculate one step predecessors of the longest paths at the same level. Figure 4.3(c) depicts that both  $\pi'_1 = s_0 \xrightarrow{t_1, e_1} s_1 \xrightarrow{t_4, e_4} s'_4$  and  $\pi_2$  are longest paths, we process them in sequence in this step. Figure 4.3(d) depicts that  $s'_1$  of  $\pi''_1 = s_0 \xrightarrow{t_1, e_1} s'_1$  and  $s'_3$  of  $\pi'_2 = s_0 \xrightarrow{t_3, e_3} s'_3$  have the same parent, the predecessor  $s'_0$  is dependent not only on  $s'_1$  but also on  $s'_3$ .



Figure 4.3: A simple backward analysis based on computation tree

#### 4.3.1 Implementation

Algorithm 5 illustrates the backward analysis along with probability calculation. We first find a longest path and bad state  $s_{bad}$  which is indicated in Line 6. Line 17 to Line 20 depict that the probability of the state is dependent on all its children.

## 4.4 Direct Backward Analysis for Probabilistic Rectangular Automata

In Section 4.2 and Section 4.3 we propose a reachability analysis approach by first going through all reachable states by forward analysis and then calculating the probability from reached bad states by backward analysis. This approach gives a complete

Al	Algorithm 5: Backward Analysis and Probability Calculation					
I	Input: Hybrid Automaton: HA, set of unsafe states: UnsafeStates, tree					
	constructed after forward analysis: ReachTree					
C	<b>Output:</b> The probability to reach bad states: $prob_{unsafe}$					
1 b	egin					
2	$\iota_{init}$ is a initial distribution of $HA$ ;					
3	$prob_{unsafe} := 0;$					
4	$prob_s := ones();$					
5	while $!UnsafeStates.empty()$ do					
6	$s_{bad}$ is the state whose path from initial state is the longest;					
7	<i>treeNode</i> is corresponding node of $s_{bad}$ ;					
8	while $treeNode \rightarrow parent() ! = NULL do$					
9	$e_{bad}$ is the transition to reach <i>treeNode</i> from the parent node					
	$treeNode \rightarrow parent();$					
10	calculate jump-step predecessor $s_t$ according to $s_{bad}$ and $e_{bad}$ ;					
11	calculate time-step predecessor $s_{bad}^{\prime\prime}$ according to $s_t$ ;					
12	$s^{pre}$ is the state of the parent node $treeNode \rightarrow parent();$					
13	$s := s_{bad}^{pre} \cap s^{pre};$					
14	if $e_{bad} = \tau$ then					
15	$ prob_s[s] := prob_s[s_{bad}]; $					
16	else					
17	if $prob_s[s] = 1$ then					
18	$prob_{s}[s] := \int_{t \in I(s, e_{bad})} p_{s+t}(e_{bad}) \cdot prob_{s}[s_{bad}] d\mu_{s}(t);$					
19	else					
20	$prob_s[s] :=$					
	$prob_{s}[s] + \int_{t \in I(s, e_{bad})} p_{s+t}(e_{bad}) \cdot prob_{s}[s_{bad}] d\mu_{s}(t);$					
21	$  s_{bad} := s;$					
22	$ \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \ $					
23	$ prob_{unsafe} := prob_{unsafe} + prob_s[s] \cdot \iota_{init}(s) $					
	_					

view of reachable states. However, sometimes we do not need to collect all informations of reachable states. Thus we consider to do backward analysis directly. The idea of backward analysis is also tree based, but bottom to top. The construction of the tree is similar to that in Section 4.2, we do not repeat it. We introduce the implementation directly.

Algorithm 6 shows the basic idea of backward reachability calculation, comparing to forward reachability calculation in Algorithm 4 we start from bad state to calculate its predecessors and once initial states are reached we do not calculate the predecessors any more.

Algorithm 7 illustrate the tree construction and probability calculation by applying backward analysis directly.

Algorithm 6: Backward Reachability

Input: Bad state: *s*<sub>bad</sub>, initial states *Initial* **Output:** Set of pairs  $Results = \{(initial, (s', e))\}$ 1 begin Results :=  $\emptyset$ ;  $\mathbf{2}$ calculate time-step predecessor  $s_t$  according to  $s_{bad}$ ; 3 if  $s_t \cap Initial \neq \emptyset$  then  $\mathbf{4}$  $s_{init} := s_t \cap Intial;$  $\mathbf{5}$  $e := \tau;$ 6  $Results.push((true,(s_{init},e));$ 7  $s_t := s_t \backslash s_{init};$ 8 calculate jump-step successors JumpSucc according to  $s_t$ ; 9 for  $(s',e) \in JumpSucc$  do 10 if  $s' \cap Initial \neq \emptyset$  then 11  $s_{init} := s' \cap Initial;$  $\mathbf{12}$  $Results.push((true,(s_{init},e));$ 13  $s' := s' \backslash s_{init};$  $\mathbf{14}$ Results.push((false,(s',e))); $\mathbf{15}$ 

Alg	gorithm 7: Backward Analysis
Ir	nput: Hybrid Automaton: HA
0	<b>utput:</b> Set of unsafe states: <i>UnsafeStates</i> , reach tree: <i>ReachTree</i>
1 b	egin
2	Init is the set of initial states of $HA$ ;
3	Bad is the set of bad states of $HA$ ;
4	$Reached = ToProcess := \emptyset;$
5	$ReachTree := \emptyset;$
6	$prob_{unsafe} := 0;$
7	$prob_s := ones();$
8	for $s_{bad} \in Bad$ do
9	$ToProcess.push(s_{bad});$
10	$\  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  $
11	while !ToProcess.empty() do
12	$s_{bad} := ToProcess.front();$
13	ToProcess.pop();
14	$Reached.push(s_{bad});$
15	$Results := BackReachability(s_{bad}, Init);$
16	for $(initial, (s', e)) \in Results$ do
17	add $s'$ as a parent of $s_{bad}$ in the tree ReachTree;
18	$\mathbf{if} \ e = \tau \ \mathbf{then}$
19	$prob_s[s'] := prob_s[s_{bad}];$
20	
21	if $prob_s[s'] = 1$ then
22	$prob_{s}[s'] := \int_{t \in I(s',e)} p_{s+t}(e) \cdot prob_{s}[s_{bad}] d\mu_{s'}(t);$
23	else
24	$ \qquad \qquad$
25	if <i>!initial</i> then
26	if $s' \notin Reached$ then
27	$\Box ToProcess.push(s');$
28	else
29	$ \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \ $

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# Chapter 5

# Results

The basic idea of reachability analysis on stochastic rectangular automata is presented in previous chapter. The library our implementation based is called HyPro [SAMK17]. HyPro provides the implementation of state set representations for hybrid automata.

### 5.1 Simple Test Example

In oder to give a brief idea of how the program runs, we introduce a simple test example firstly. Figure 5.1 shows a stochastic rectangular automata with two locations  $l_0$ ,  $l_1$  and one variables x. Location  $l_0$  has two out-going transitions  $e_0$ ,  $e_1$  to reach  $l_1$ ,  $l_0$  respectively, and location  $l_1$  has one out-going transition  $e_2$  to reach  $l_0$ .



Figure 5.1: A simple stochastic rectangular automaton  $\mathcal{H}_1$ 

#### 5.1.1 Reachable Bad State Analysis

Assume that the initial state is  $s_0 = (l_0, \{x \in [-1,1]\})$  and the bad state is  $s_{bad} = (l_1, \{x \in [6,8]\})$ . We apply the forward analysis introduced in Section 4.2 to construct a reach tree. Figure 5.2 shows the construction of a reach tree by applying forward analysis. To minimize the figure we eliminate the constraints which do not effect the variable value. For example, assume that the constraint set is  $\{[0,1], [-1,7]\}$ , then we

only use  $\{[0,1]\}$  in the following reach tree figure. Figure 5.2(a) shows that we add the initial state  $s_0$  as the root of the tree. In Figure 5.2(b) we add jump successors  $s_1$ ,  $s_2$  as child nodes of  $s_0$ . As  $s_2 = s_0$  we mark  $s_2$  as a processed node and do not calculate further successor of  $s_2$  any more. Figure 5.2(c) shows that after timesuccessor calculation the bad state  $s_3$  is reached. We do not need to calculate the successors of bad state  $s_3$ . As mentioned in Section 4.2.1 we separate the state set, which does not contain bad state, into substate sets to avoid disjunction.  $s_4$ ,  $s_5$  in Figure 5.2(c) are two substates after separation, and the jump-successors of  $s_4$ ,  $s_5$ are  $s_6$ ,  $s_7$ . For the reason that  $s_6 = s_0$  and  $s_7 = s_0$  we mark  $s_6$  and  $s_7$  as processed nodes. Thus forward analysis is finished.



Figure 5.2: Computation tree after forward analysis

After the reach tree construction we apply backward analysis and calculate the probability at the same time. Figure 5.4 shows that we apply backward analysis starting from bad state  $s_3$ . In Figure 5.3(a) we do backward reachability analysis

one step back. We get the predecessor  $s'_1$  and the probability from  $s'_1$  to reach  $s_3$  is  $\frac{2}{3}$ . We do one more step backward reachability analysis and get the predecessor  $s_0$  in Figure 5.3(b), which is the initial state. The probability of reaching  $s_3$  from  $s_0$  through  $s'_1$  is  $\frac{13}{33}$ 



Figure 5.3: Computation tree after backward analysis

If we use direct backward analysis introduced in Section 4.4, we get a similar reach tree as shown in Figure 5.4. The only difference is that  $s'_1$  by applying direct backward analysis is  $(l_1, (\infty, 8])$ , because by applying direct backward analysis we do not have any restrictions of predecessors, which is given by forward analysis when we apply first forward analysis and then backward analysis.

#### 5.1.2 Not Reachable Bad State Analysis

Assume that the initial state is  $s_0 = (l_0, \{x \in [-1,1]\})$  and the bad state is  $s_{bad} = (l_1, \{x \in [-10, -9]\})$ . We first apply the forward analysis introduced in Section 4.2 to construct a reach tree. We get a reach tree shown in Figure 5.4(a). The initial state  $s_0$  is the root of the tree, and after traveling through all reachable state we find the bad state  $s_{bad}$  is not reachable. There is no need to do backward analysis, since the bad state is not reachable. Then we apply direct backward analysis introduced in Section 4.4, the reach tree is shown in Figure 5.4(b). Instead of traveling through all reachable states, we only do one step backward reachability analysis to find that the bad state  $s_{bad}$  is not reachable.

#### 5.1.3 Comparing the Two Approaches

Section 5.1.1 shows that the forward analysis offers more execution information of the process, which may reduce a part of the calculation when we do backward analysis. Section 5.1.2 shows that if only information we need to know is the probability to reach bad states, then apply direct backward analysis may be a better approach. Thus for different scenarios we could choose one proper approach to apply. The basic



Figure 5.4: Computation tree after backward analysis

principle is that if we only need to analysis the reachability of bad states, we apply direct backward analysis , otherwise first apply forward analysis and then backward analysis.

### 5.2 A Two Room Shared Heater Example

UPPAAL [upp] is a tool to model, validate and verificate the real-time systems. Some of the case studies modeled in UPPAAL are hybrid automata, which we may use as benchmarks after some adaption. A two room shared heater  $[DLL^+15]$  is a Statistical Model Checking(SMC) example which can be analyzed by UPPAAL. In this example, we consider a heater which is shared by two independent rooms. At any time at most one room can be heated. The model shown in  $[DLL^+15]$  is a set of parallel hybrid automata, the first step of adaption is to build the parallel composition of hybrid automata.

As committed location in UPPAAL does not effect the variable values, we build the parallel composition of hybrid automata by ignoring committed location. We get the automata shown in Figure 5.5. As our purpose is to do reachability analysis, we eliminate the locations which are not reachable from the initial location and get the automata shown in Figure 5.6. Another significant adaption is to modify the non-rectangular labeling functions in [DLL<sup>+</sup>15] to labeling functions in rectangular regions. We choose proper rectangular regions to simulate the temperature changing. The final stochastic rectangular automata is shown in Figure 5.7, and for simplification we use OFF,  $ON_{r_0}$ ,  $ON_{r_1}$  to represent the location (OFF,  $OFF_{r_0}$ ,  $OFF_{r_1}$ ),  $(ON_0, ON_{r_0}, OFF_{r_1})$ ,  $(ON_1, OFF_{r_0}, ON_{r_1})$  in Figure 5.6 respectively. Assume that the initial state is (OFF,  $\{x = 0, T_0 \in [20, 25], T_1 \in [20, 25]\}$ ), the probability that the room  $r_0$  is heated to  $T_0 = 70$  by switch on the heater once time is 0.000030, close to zero. The constructed reach tree is shown in Figure 5.8.



Figure 5.5: The parallel composition of hybrid automata of a two room shared heater example.



Figure 5.6: The parallel composition of hybrid automata of a two room shared heater example after eliminate unreachable locations.



Figure 5.7: The stochastic rectangular automata of a two room shared heater example.



Figure 5.8: The tree constructed after forward analysis for a two room shared heater example.

# Chapter 6

# Conclusion

## 6.1 Summary

In this thesis we introduce the reachability analysis for stochastic rectangular automata. Stochastic rectangular automata, which is an extension of stochastic timed automata, is a kind of probabilistic rectangular automata with continuous-time probability distribution. The probability distribution of stochastic rectangular automata has two parts, one is over delays and the other is over transitions. The probability distribution over delays is continuous. The probability distribution over transitions is dependent on enabled transition in a given time interval.

The most important part of reachability analysis implementation is time interval calculation. For a state s, the time interval before taking transition e to s' is determined by eliminating the variables expect time in intersection of the states valuation, activities, invariants, guards and resets. Then the probability calculation is based on the time intervals.

One approach to implement reachability analysis is to do forward and backward analysis in sequence. Forward analysis is to travel through all reachable states by breadth-first search, after that it builds a computation tree for processed states. According to the reach tree constructed by forward analysis we do backward analysis from reachable bad states. For each step we calculate the predecessors of the current state and the probability of moving from each predecessor to current state respectively. Once the root of the reach tree is arrived, the backward analysis is completed and we get the probability of starting from initial state to reach at least one bad state.

Another approach to implement reachability analysis is to do backward analysis directly. Starting from one of the bad states, we do backward reachability calculation step by step, in the meanwhile calculate the probability of reaching a bad state from currently processing state. Once the predecessor is marked as processed states, we repeat backward reachability calculation from one of unprocessed bad states. Until all bad states are marked as a processed states, we sum up the probability of moving from the initial states to bad states.

The two approaches are applied in different scenarios. In Chapter 5 we compare the two approaches by applying them for the same example. None of them is absolutely efficient than the other. The basic principle is that if we need the information of all reachable states, then the first approach is a proper way, otherwise we choose the second approach.

## 6.2 Future work

**Probabilistic Rectangular Automata with pure continuous-time probability distribution.** Stochastic rectangular automata introduced in this paper has two parts of probability distribution. The probability distribution over transitions is dependent on the weights of enabled transitions in a given time interval, which is still discrete-time probability distribution. By adapting the probability distribution over transitions to a continuous-time probability distribution, we would introduce a probabilistic Rectangular Automata with pure continuous-time probability distribution, which is more efficient to model the systems in our daily life.

**Probabilistic Hybrid Automata with continuous-time probability distribution.** Rectangular automata is a subclass of hybrid automata. The labeling function of rectangular automata is restricted to rectangular regions. However, in oder to model a more complicated systems we need a more expressible model. In the future, we could extend the probabilistic rectangular automata first to probabilistic linear hybrid automata and then to probabilistic general hybrid automata. In which case, the valuation of variables is not only dependent on time but also on the value of variables.

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