

Ain't No Stoppin' Us Monitoring Now

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Introduction

Not all properties are monitorable. This is a well-known fact which means that there exist properties that cannot be fully verified at runtime. However, given a non-monitorable property, a monitor can still be synthesized, but it could end up in a state where no verdict will ever be concluded on the satisfaction/violation of the property. For this reason, such properties are usually discarded. We carry out an in-depth analysis on monitorability and we show how non-monitorable properties can still be partially monitored.

Main Contributions

- Monitoring *safety* properties is enough by considering (co)safety approximations
- We present Linear Time ν -Calculus (LT ν) for expressing *safety* properties
- We show how to obtain the approximations by encoding Büchi Automata to LT ν terms

A Semantic Approach To Monitorability

- Assume a set \mathcal{E} of *events* and denote by \mathcal{E}^* , \mathcal{E}^ω , \mathcal{E}^∞ the sets of finite u , infinite w and possibly infinite σ traces over \mathcal{E}
- A universe of traces is a non-empty $\mathcal{T} \subseteq \mathcal{E}^\infty$ satisfying $\mathcal{E}^* \mathcal{T} \subseteq \mathcal{T}$. **Properties** P, Q on \mathcal{T} are subsets of \mathcal{T}
- Informally, *safety/cosafety* properties (denoted $\mathbb{S}/\text{co}\mathbb{S}$) are those that are always finitely *refutable/satisfiable*

Monitorability

- A property is **monitorable** when it is possible to synthesize a monitor that can always eventually determine the satisfaction/violation of the property
- (Co)Safety properties are monitorable

- **Abstract Monitor** $\mathcal{M}_P : \mathcal{E}^* \rightarrow \{\text{yes}, \text{no}, ?\}$

$$\mathcal{M}_P(u) = \begin{cases} \text{yes} & u\mathcal{T} \subseteq P \\ \text{no} & u\mathcal{T} \cap P = \emptyset \\ ? & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- **(Co)Safety Approximations**

$$\Gamma_{\mathbb{S}}(P) = \bigcap \{Q \in \mathbb{S} \mid P \subseteq Q\} \quad \Delta_{\text{co}\mathbb{S}}(P) = \bigcup \{Q \in \text{co}\mathbb{S} \mid Q \subseteq P\}$$

Theorems

- Let P be a property on \mathcal{T} and $u \in \mathcal{E}^*$. Then, $\mathcal{M}_P(u) = \text{no}$ iff $\mathcal{M}_{\Gamma_{\mathbb{S}}(P)}(u) = \text{no}$
- Let P be a property on \mathcal{T} and $u \in \mathcal{E}^*$. Then, $\mathcal{M}_P(u) = \text{yes}$ iff $\mathcal{M}_{\Delta_{\text{co}\mathbb{S}}(P)}(u) = \text{yes}$
- If P is a cosafety property then $\mathcal{T} \setminus P$ is a safety property (*Safety Is Enough*)

- **Generalized Abstract Monitor** $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_P : \mathcal{E}^* \rightarrow \{\text{yes}, \text{no}, \chi, ?_{\text{yes}}, ?_{\text{no}}, ?\}$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_P(u) = \begin{cases} \text{yes} & \mathcal{M}_{\Delta_{\text{co}\mathbb{S}}(P)}(u) = \text{yes} \\ \text{no} & \mathcal{M}_{\Gamma_{\mathbb{S}}(P)}(u) = \text{no} \\ \chi & \mathcal{M}_{\Gamma_{\mathbb{S}}(P)}(u) = \text{yes} \text{ and } \mathcal{M}_{\Delta_{\text{co}\mathbb{S}}(P)}(u) = \text{no} \\ ?_{\text{yes}} & \mathcal{M}_{\Gamma_{\mathbb{S}}(P)}(u) = \text{yes} \text{ and } \mathcal{M}_{\Delta_{\text{co}\mathbb{S}}(P)}(u) = ? \\ ?_{\text{no}} & \mathcal{M}_{\Gamma_{\mathbb{S}}(P)}(u) = ? \text{ and } \mathcal{M}_{\Delta_{\text{co}\mathbb{S}}(P)}(u) = \text{no} \\ ? & \mathcal{M}_{\Gamma_{\mathbb{S}}(P)}(u) = ? \text{ and } \mathcal{M}_{\Delta_{\text{co}\mathbb{S}}(P)}(u) = ? \end{cases}$$

- χ means that no verdict at all can be reached

Linear Time ν -Calculus

The Linear Time ν -Calculus is a purely coinductive fragment of the Linear Time μ -Calculus which is obtained by enriching Linear Temporal Logic with fixed points. Let AP be a set of *atomic propositions* p and $\langle \langle - \rangle \rangle : AP \rightarrow \wp(\mathcal{E})$ an interpretation function.

- The terms of LT ν are inductively generated by the grammar

$$t, s ::= \top \mid \perp \mid p \mid p^\perp \mid t \wedge s \mid t \vee s \mid \circ t \mid X \mid \nu X.t$$

Linear Time ν -Calculus Semantics

- $w \models_C t$: w *satisfies* t , **coinductively** defined. We denote $\llbracket t \rrbracket_C = \{w \in \mathcal{E}^\omega \mid w \models_C t\}$
- $t \xrightarrow{e} s$: t *reduces to* s with e , **inductively** defined. We write $t \xrightarrow{u} s$ and $t \xrightarrow{\omega} w$ for finite and infinite reductions respectively.

Theorems

- For all t there exists s *contractive* (i.e. vars guarded by \circ) such that $\llbracket t \rrbracket_C = \llbracket s \rrbracket_C$
- Let t be a LT ν term. Then $\llbracket t \rrbracket_C$ is a **safety** property
- Let $w \in \mathcal{E}^\omega$ and t a LT ν term. Then $w \models_C t$ if and only if $t \xrightarrow{w}$

- **Proof System** (We use Γ, Δ to range over sets of LT ν terms)

$$\frac{}{\vdash p_1, \dots, p_n, p_{n+1}^\perp, \dots, p_m^\perp, \Gamma} \quad \frac{}{\bigcup_{i=1}^n \langle \langle p_i \rangle \rangle \cup \bigcup_{i=n+1}^m (\mathcal{E}^\omega \setminus \langle \langle p_i \rangle \rangle) = \mathcal{E}^\omega} \quad \frac{}{\vdash \top, \Gamma} \quad \frac{}{\vdash t, \Gamma} \quad \frac{}{\vdash s, \Gamma} \\ \frac{}{\vdash t \wedge s, \Gamma} \quad \frac{}{\vdash t \vee s, \Gamma} \quad \frac{}{\vdash \nu X.t, \Gamma} \quad \frac{}{\vdash \circ t, \Delta}$$

Theorem

- Let t be a LT ν term. Then $\llbracket t \rrbracket_C = \mathcal{E}^\omega$ if and only if $\vdash t$

Given a LT ν term t we can build a monitor $M \llbracket t \rrbracket_C : \mathcal{E}^* \rightarrow \{\text{yes}, \text{no}, ?\}$ such that

$$M_t(u) = \begin{cases} \text{yes} & t \xrightarrow{u} s \text{ and } \vdash s \\ \text{no} & t \xrightarrow{u} s \not\vdash \text{ or } t \not\xrightarrow{u} \\ ? & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

In order to monitor any property P we have to write $t_{\mathbb{S}}, t_{\text{co}\mathbb{S}}$ that are the *safety approximation* and the complement of the *cosafety approximation* of P respectively.

Example

1. *Property* (written in the usual LTL syntax)

$$\phi = (a \wedge \diamond b) \vee (c \wedge \square \diamond d)$$

2. *(Co)Safety Completions*

$$\Gamma_{\mathbb{S}}(\phi) = a \vee c, \Delta_{\text{co}\mathbb{S}}(\phi) = a \wedge \diamond b$$

3. *LT ν Terms*

$$t_{\mathbb{S}} = a \vee c, t_{\text{co}\mathbb{S}} = a^\perp \vee (\nu X. b^\perp \wedge \circ X)$$

Encoding From Büchi Automata

Let $\mathcal{A} = \langle Q, \Sigma, \delta, Q_0, \mathcal{F} \rangle$ be a Büchi automaton such that $\Sigma = \wp_F^*(AP)$ (we denote α an element of Σ). We make the following assumptions:

Assumptions

- For each $q \in \mathcal{F}$, q lies in a cycle
- For all $q \in Q$, q can always eventually reach a final state

- 1: Assume a variable X_q for each $q \in Q$

- 2: **procedure** $T(q, S)$

- 3: **if** $q \in S$ **then** X_q

- 4: **else**

- 5: $\nu X_q. \bigvee \{T(\alpha) \wedge \circ T(q', S \cup \{q\}) \mid \alpha \in \Sigma, q' \in \delta(q, \alpha)\}$

- 6: $T(\alpha) = \bigwedge \{p \mid p \in \alpha\} \wedge \{p^\perp \mid p \notin \alpha\}$

- 7: $T(\mathcal{A}) = \bigvee \{T(q, \emptyset) \mid q \in Q_0\}$

Theorem

- Let \mathcal{A} be a Büchi automaton. Then $\Gamma_{\mathbb{S}}(\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A})) = \llbracket T(\mathcal{A}) \rrbracket_C$

- The algorithm can be applied to those automata obtained from properties written in some formalism, e.g. Linear Temporal Logic

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SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL



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