

Deciding Hyperproperties

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Information Leakage



- **Heartbleed** - 4.5m patient information leaked
- **Goto Fail** - encryption of >300m devices broken
- **Shellshock** - web servers attackable for 22 years

HyperLTL - A Logic for Information-flow Control

[Clarkson, Finkbeiner, Koleini, Micinski, Rabe, Sánchez, '14]

- **Observational Determinism:** “Program appears deterministic to low security users.”

$$\forall \pi. \forall \pi'. \Box(I_{\pi} = I_{\pi'}) \rightarrow \Box(O_{\pi} = O_{\pi'})$$

- **Generalized Noninterference:** “. . . additionally low-security outputs may not be altered by injection of high-security inputs.”

$$\forall \pi. \forall \pi'. \exists \pi''. \Box(HighI_{\pi} = HighI_{\pi''}) \wedge \Box(O_{\pi'} = O_{\pi''})$$

HyperLTL - An Extension of LTL

LTL

- logical connectives: \vee, \neg
temporal connectives:
 \square - *globally*
 \bigcirc - *next*
- $\square a$ is satisfied by $\{a\}^\omega$ as well as $\{a, b\}^\omega$
- $\square a \wedge \square \neg a$ is unsatisfiable.
- defines a set of computation traces
(trace property)

HyperLTL

- LTL + explicit trace quantifiers:
Observational Determinism:
$$\forall \pi. \forall \pi'. \square (I_\pi = I_{\pi'}) \rightarrow \square (O_\pi = O_{\pi'})$$
- $\exists \pi. \exists \pi'. \square a_\pi \wedge \square \neg a_{\pi'}$
is satisfiable by $\{\{a\}^\omega, \{b\}^\omega\}$.
- defines a **set of sets** of computation traces
(hyperproperty)

Satisfiability of HyperLTL

Definition (HyperLTL-SAT)

Let φ be an HyperLTL formula. HyperLTL-SAT is the problem to decide whether there exists a **non-empty** trace set T satisfying φ .

Example (Application)

Two versions of Observational Determinism:

- $\forall \pi. \forall \pi'. \Box(I_\pi = I_{\pi'}) \rightarrow \Box(O_\pi = O_{\pi'})$
- $\forall \pi. \forall \pi'. (I_\pi = I_{\pi'}) \rightarrow \Box(O_\pi = O_{\pi'})$

Which variation is stronger?

Challenge

LTL Satisfiability Solving

- Translate LTL formula into Büchi automaton
- Check the automaton for emptiness
- PSPACE-complete

HyperLTL Satisfiability Solving

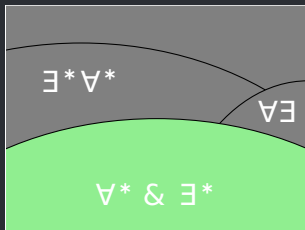
- A Hyperproperty is not necessarily ω -regular
- Standard automata approach cannot be applied

Key Results

[Finkbeiner, H., '16]

- HyperLTL-SAT is PSPACE-complete for alternation-free formulas
- HyperLTL-SAT is EXPSPACE-complete for $\exists^* \forall^*$ formulas
- HyperLTL-SAT is undecidable for $\forall \exists$ formulas

Outline - Solving HyperLTL-SAT



1. Alternation-free fragments ($\forall^* \& \exists^*$)
2. Alternation starting with existential quantifier ($\exists^* \forall^*$)
3. Alternation starting with universal quantifier ($\forall^* \exists^*$)

Existential Fragment

Theorem

\exists^* HyperLTL-SAT is PSPACE-complete.

Example

$\exists \pi_0 \exists \pi_1. \Box a_{\pi_0} \wedge \Box b_{\pi_0} \wedge \Box c_{\pi_0} \wedge \Box a_{\pi_1} \wedge \Box \neg c_{\pi_1}$

Idea:

Replace indexed atomic propositions with fresh atomic propositions.

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$$T = \{\{a, b, c\}^\omega, \{a\}^\omega\}$$

Universal Fragment

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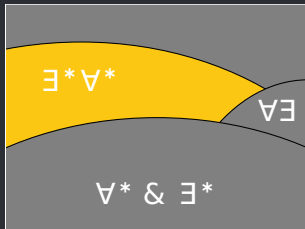
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Example

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \forall \pi \forall \pi'. \Box b_\pi \wedge \Box \neg b_{\pi'} & \equiv & \Box b \wedge \Box \neg b \\ \Downarrow \quad \Downarrow & & \Downarrow \\ t \quad t & & \text{unsatisfiable} \end{array}$$

Idea: Discard indexes from indexed propositions

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$\exists^* \forall^*$ HyperLTL-SAT

Lemma

For every $\exists \pi_1 \dots \exists \pi_n \forall \pi'_1 \dots \forall \pi'_m . \varphi$ HyperLTL formula, there exists an equisatisfiable \exists^* HyperLTL formula.

Example

$$\exists \pi_0 \exists \pi_1 \forall \pi'_0 \forall \pi'_1. (\Box a_{\pi'_0} \wedge \Box b_{\pi'_1}) \wedge (\Box c_{\pi_0} \wedge \Box d_{\pi_1})$$

Idea: Unroll universal quantifiers

$$\begin{aligned} \exists \pi_0 \exists \pi_1. & (\Box a_{\pi_0} \wedge \Box b_{\pi_0}) \wedge (\Box c_{\pi_0} \wedge \Box d_{\pi_1}) \\ & \wedge (\Box a_{\pi_1} \wedge \Box b_{\pi_0}) \wedge (\Box c_{\pi_0} \wedge \Box d_{\pi_1}) \\ & \wedge (\Box a_{\pi_0} \wedge \Box b_{\pi_1}) \wedge (\Box c_{\pi_0} \wedge \Box d_{\pi_1}) \\ & \wedge (\Box a_{\pi_1} \wedge \Box b_{\pi_1}) \wedge (\Box c_{\pi_0} \wedge \Box d_{\pi_1}) \end{aligned}$$

Complexity of $\exists^* \forall^*$ HyperLTL-SAT

Theorem

$\exists^* \forall^*$ HyperLTL-SAT is EXPSPACE-complete.

- Let n be the number of existential quantifier and m be the number of universal quantifier.
Unrolling results in formula of size $O(n^m)$.
- Hardness follows from an encoding of an EXPSPACE-bounded Turing machine in this fragment.

$\exists^* \forall^b$ HyperLTL-SAT

Theorem

Bounded $\exists^ \forall^b$ HyperLTL-SAT is PSPACE-complete.*

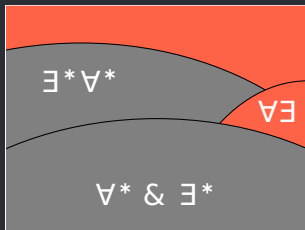
Observation: In practice, many properties of interest quantify universally over pairs of traces

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The Power of $\forall\exists$ - Encoding of PCP

Theorem

$\forall\exists$ HyperLTL-SAT is undecidable.

- Can give a $\forall\exists$ HyperLTL formula, which is only satisfied by an infinite trace set:

$$\forall\pi\exists\pi'. a_{\pi'} \tag{1}$$

$$\wedge \square(a_{\pi} \rightarrow \bigcirc \square \neg a_{\pi}) \tag{2}$$

$$\wedge \square(a_{\pi} \rightarrow \bigcirc a_{\pi'}) \tag{3}$$

- Encoding of Posts Correspondence Problem (PCP) in this fragment.

Summary & Conclusion

\exists^*	\forall^*	$\exists^* \forall^*$	b -Bounded $\exists^* \forall^*$	$\forall \exists$
PSpace- complete	PSpace- complete	EXPSpace- complete	PSpace- complete	undecidable

- Satisfiability of alternation-free formulas is decidable
- Implication and equivalence of alternation-free formulas are decidable
- Full logic is undecidable:
HyperLTL is much more powerful than LTL

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Appendix

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HyperLTL Syntax

Syntax

$$\psi ::= \exists \pi. \psi \mid \forall \pi. \psi \mid \varphi$$
$$\varphi ::= a_\pi \mid \neg \varphi \mid \varphi \vee \varphi \mid \bigcirc \varphi \mid \varphi \mathcal{U} \varphi$$

- Quantifier Prefix with arbitrary alternation
- Then quantifier-free LTL formula with trace variables
- $\wedge, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow, \square, \diamond$ derived in the usual way
- $X_\pi = X_{\pi'}$ syntactic sugar for $\bigwedge_{x \in X} (x_\pi \leftrightarrow x_{\pi'})$

Example

“All executions have the light on at the same time.”

$$\forall \pi. \forall \pi'. \square (on_\pi \leftrightarrow on_{\pi'})$$

HyperLTL Semantics

Semantics w.r.t. Trace Environment $\Pi : \text{Var} \mapsto \text{TR}$

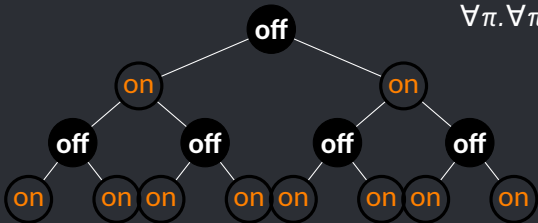
$\Pi \models_T \forall \pi. \varphi$ iff for all $t \in T$, s.t. $\Pi[\pi \mapsto t] \models_T \varphi$

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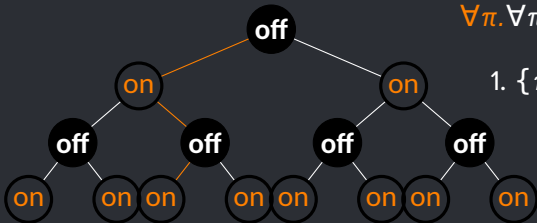
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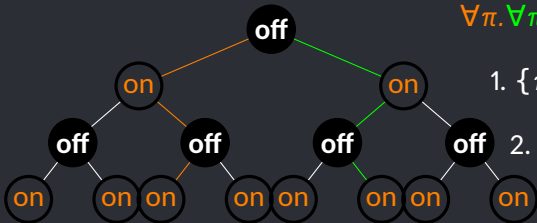
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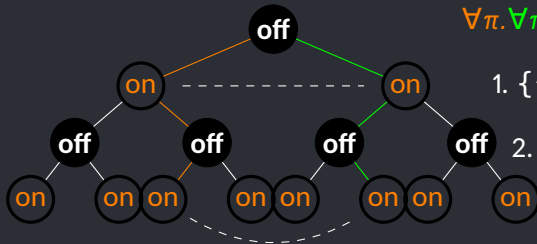
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3. $\forall i \geq 0 : \{\pi \mapsto t[i, \infty], \pi' \mapsto t'[i, \infty]\} \models_T on_\pi \leftrightarrow on_{\pi'}$

Application: Implication Checking of Quantifier-alternation-free Hyperproperties

ψ implies φ ?

Check the negation $\neg(\psi \rightarrow \varphi)$ for unsatisfiability.

Example

To determine whether the HyperLTL formula $\forall \pi_0 \dots \forall \pi_n. \psi$ implies the HyperLTL formula $\forall \pi'_0 \dots \forall \pi'_m. \varphi$, we check the $\exists^n \forall^m$ formula $\exists \pi_1 \dots \pi_n \forall \pi'_0 \dots \pi'_m. \psi \wedge \neg \varphi$ for unsatisfiability.

Theorem

Implication Checking of quantifier-alternation-free HyperLTL formulas is EXPSPACE-complete.

Encoding of Posts Correspondence Problem

Example PCP instance:

I	II	III
a	ab	bba
baa	aa	bb

Encoding of Posts Correspondence Problem

Example PCP solution:

III	II	III	I
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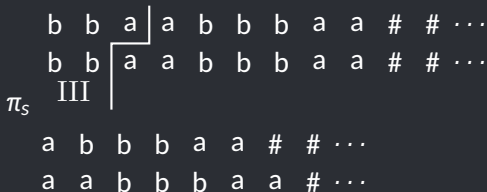
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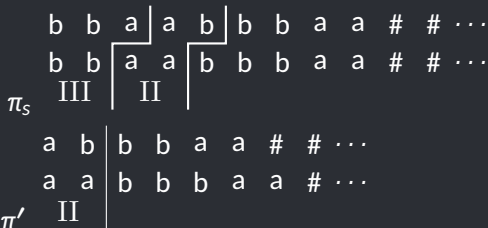
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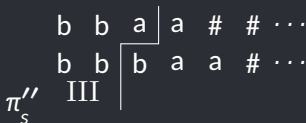
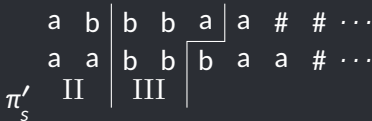
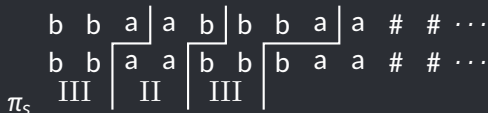
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