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## Eternity Variables to Simulate Specifications

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Aim of the talk \_\_\_\_\_ ii

How to prove that program  $K$   
simulates specification  $L$ ?

Programs are (executable) specifications

Four kinds of simulations:

functional, forward, backward, eternity

Theorem. Every simulation  $F : K \rightarrow L$   
that preserves quiescence,

is provable by means of these special ones

A variation of theory of

Abadi and Lamport (1991)

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Overview \_\_\_\_\_ iii

1. Temporal Logic of Actions
  2. Refinement mappings and simulations between specs
  3. Forward and backward simulations
  4. Eternity variables
  5. Preservation of quiescence and Completeness
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1. Temporal Logic  
of Actions \_\_\_\_\_ iv

A *specification* is a 4-tuple  $K$  :

$X = \text{states}(K)$ : the state space

$Y = \text{init}(K) \subseteq X$ : set of initial states

$N = \text{step}(K) \subseteq X^2$ : next-state relation

$P = \text{prop}(K) \subseteq X^\omega$ : (fairness) property

An *execution* is a list  $xs$  of states

with  $(xs_i, xs_{i+1}) \in N$  for all  $i$

- *initial* iff  $xs_0 \in Y$ .
- a *behaviour* iff infinite and belongs to  $P$

$$\text{Beh}(K) = \llbracket Y \rrbracket \cap \square \llbracket N \rrbracket \cap P$$

To allow stuttering  $N$  is reflexive  
(and  $P$  is a “property”).

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Example \_\_\_\_\_ v

Specification  $L0$

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var k: Int := 0 ;
do k = 0 -> choose k in Int ;
[] true -> k := k - 2 ;
od ;
prop: infinitely often k = 0.
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$\text{states}(L0) = \text{Int}$

$\text{init}(L0) = \{0\}$

$\text{prop}(L0) = \square \diamond \llbracket k = 0 \rrbracket$

$\text{step}(L0) =$

$$\{(k, k') \mid k = 0 \vee k' = k - 2 \vee k' = k\}$$

Every state is reachable

The occurring states have  $k$  natural and even

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2. Refinement Mappings \_\_\_\_\_ vi

When does spec  $K$  implement spec  $L$ ?

$K$  : the concrete program

$L$  : the abstract program

A refinement mapping from  $K$  to  $L$  is

a function  $f : \text{states}(K) \rightarrow \text{states}(L)$  such that

$$x \in \text{init}(K) \Rightarrow f(x) \in \text{init}(L)$$

$$(x, x') \in \text{step}(K) \Rightarrow (f(x), f(x')) \in \text{step}(L)$$

$$xs \in \text{Beh}(K) \Rightarrow f^\omega(xs) \in \text{Beh}(L)$$

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Example  $K(m)$   
for  $m > 1$  \_\_\_\_\_ vii

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var j: Nat := 0 ;
do true -> j := (j + 1) mod m od ;
prop: j changes infinitely often.
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$\text{states}(K(m)) = \mathbb{N}$

$\text{init}(K(m)) = \{0\}$

$\text{prop}(K(m)) = \square \diamond \llbracket \neq \rrbracket$

$$(j, j') \in \text{step}(K(m)) \equiv j' \in \{j, (j + 1) \bmod m\}$$

A refinement mapping  $f$  from  $K(21)$  to  $K(14)$ ?  
 Take  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  with  $f(j) = \min(j, 13)$

The abstract behaviour stutters  
 whenever the concrete behaviour proceeds  
 from 13 to 20

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**vii.1.** – Refinement mappings are not enough.  
 We sometimes need simulations

**Simulations (new)** \_\_\_\_\_ **viii**

Spec  $K$  simulates spec  $L$   
 via relation  $F \subseteq \text{states}(K) \times \text{states}(L)$   
 (notation  $F : K \rightarrow L$ )

$\equiv$   
 for every  $xs \in \text{Beh}(K)$   
 there is  $ys \in \text{Beh}(L)$   
 with  $(xs_n, ys_n) \in F$  for all  $n$

Every refinement mapping  
 $f : \text{states}(K) \rightarrow \text{states}(L)$   
 induces a simulation  $K \rightarrow L$

If  $F : K \rightarrow L$  and  $F \subseteq G$   
 then  $G : K \rightarrow L$

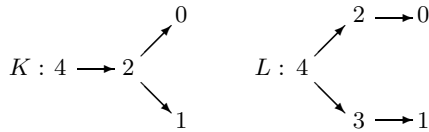
The smaller the simulation,  
 the more information it carries

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**Example with prescience** \_\_\_\_\_ **ix**

$K$  and  $L$   
 both with state space  $X = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$ ,  
 initial set  $\{4\}$ , and property  $\diamond \llbracket \{0, 1\} \rrbracket$ .

$\text{step}(K) = 1_X \cup \{(4, 2), (2, 1), (2, 0)\}$   
 $\text{step}(L) = 1_X \cup \{(4, 3), (4, 2), (3, 1), (2, 0)\}$



Simulation  $F = 1_X \cup \{(2, 3)\}$

Concrete state 2 splits  
 into abstract states 2 and 3

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**Visibility** \_\_\_\_\_ **x**

Visible spec  $(K, v)$   
 where  $v$  is a function on  $\text{states}(K)$

The visible behaviours:  
 $\text{Obs}(K, v) = \{v^\omega(xs) \mid xs \in \text{Beh}(K)\}$

$(K, v)$  implements  $(L, w)$  iff ...  
 $\text{Obs}(K, v) \subseteq \text{Obs}(L, w)$   
 (differs from Abadi-Lampert)

**Theorem (new).**  $(K, v)$  implements  $(L, w)$   
 if and only if there is a simulation  $F : K \rightarrow L$   
 with  $F \subseteq \{(x, y) \mid v(x) = w(y)\}$ .

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**3. Forward Simulations** \_\_\_\_\_ **xii**

$F \subseteq \text{states}(K) \times \text{states}(L)$   
 is a *forward simulation* iff

- (F0) For every  $x \in \text{init}(K)$ ,  
 there is  $y \in \text{init}(L)$  with  $(x, y) \in F$
- (F1) For every  $(x, y) \in F$   
 and every  $x'$  with  $(x, x') \in \text{step}(K)$ ,  
 there is  $y'$  with  $(y, y') \in \text{step}(L)$  and  $(x', y') \in F$
- (F2) Every infinite initial execution  $ys$  of  $L$   
 with  $(xs, ys) \in F^\omega$  for some  $xs \in \text{Beh}(K)$   
 has  $ys \in \text{prop}(L)$

**Theorem.**  
 Every forward simulation is a simulation

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**Example Different Periods** \_\_\_\_\_ **xii**

Specs  $K(m)$  and  $K(2 \cdot m)$  as above  
 Relation  $F$  given by

$$(j, k) \in F \equiv k = j \vee k = j + m .$$

$F$  is a forward simulation  $K(m) \rightarrow K(2 \cdot m)$   
 There is no refinement mapping  
 from  $K(m)$  to  $K(2 \cdot m)$ .

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**Backward Simulations** \_\_\_\_\_ **xiii**

$F \subseteq \text{states}(K) \times \text{states}(L)$   
 is a *backward simulation* (version Jonsson) iff

- (B0) Every pair  $(x, y) \in F$   
 with  $x \in \text{init}(K)$  has  $y \in \text{init}(L)$ .
- (B1) For every pair  $(x', y') \in F$  and  
 every  $x$  with  $(x, x') \in \text{step}(K)$ ,  
 there is  $y$  with  $(x, y) \in F$  and  $(y, y') \in \text{step}(L)$ .
- (B2) Every behaviour  $xs$  of  $K$  has  
 infinitely many  $n$  with  
 $(xs_n; F)$  nonempty and finite.
- (B3) Every infinite initial execution  $ys$  of  $L$   
 with  $(xs, ys) \in F^\omega$  for some  $xs \in \text{Beh}(K)$   
 has  $ys \in \text{prop}(L)$ .

**Theorem.**  
 Every backward simulation is a simulation

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### xiii.1. –

Every composition of simulations is a simulation.  
 A composition of forward/backward simulations need not be a forward/backward simulation.

The example with prescience is a backward simulation.

The finiteness condition in (B2) is inconvenient.

It is needed to apply König's Lemma.

## 4. Eternity Variables (new) \_\_\_\_\_ xiv

Let  $M$  be a type for an “eternity” variable  $m$

A relation  $R \subseteq \text{states}(K) \times M$

is a *behaviour restriction* over  $K$

$\equiv$

for every behaviour  $xs$  of  $K$

there exists  $m \in M$  with

$$(\forall n :: (xs_n, m) \in R)$$

## Soundness of Eternity Extension \_\_\_\_\_ xv

Let  $R$  be a behaviour restriction over  $K$ .

Construct spec  $W$  :

$$\text{states}(W) = R \subseteq \text{states}(K) \times M$$

$$\text{init}(W) = R \cap (\text{init}(K) \times M)$$

$$\text{prop}(W) = \{ws \mid \text{fst}^\omega(ws) \in \text{prop}(K)\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} ((x, m), (x', m')) \in \text{step}(W) &\equiv \\ (x, x') \in \text{step}(K) \wedge m' = m & \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem.**  $F = \{(x, (x', m)) \mid x = x'\}$   
 gives a simulation  $K \rightarrow W$ .

Proof. Let  $xs \in \text{Beh}(K)$ .

Choose  $m \in M$  with  $(\forall n :: (xs_n, m) \in R)$ .

Define  $ys_n = (xs_n, m) \in R = \text{states}(W)$ .

Then  $ys \in \text{Beh}(W)$  and all  $(xs_n, ys_n) \in F$ .

## 5. Towards Completeness \_\_\_\_\_ xvi

We want to write an arbitrary simulation  $F$   
 as a composition of special ones:

forward simulations  
 (backward simulations)  
 eternity extensions

All these “preserve quiescence”

Therefore,  $F$  must “preserve quiescence”

## Preservation of Quiescence \_\_\_\_\_ xvii

For  $xs \in \text{Beh}(K)$

the set of quiescent indices is

$$Q_K(xs) = \{n \mid (xs \upharpoonright n) \uparrow \wedge (xs_n^\omega) \in \text{Beh}(K)\}$$

$F : K \rightarrow L$  preserves quiescence

$\equiv$

for every  $xs \in \text{Beh}(K)$

there exists  $ys \in \text{Beh}(L)$

with  $(xs_n, ys_n) \in F$  for all  $n$

and  $Q_K(xs) \subseteq Q_L(ys)$ .

## Quiescence

### Lost \_\_\_\_\_ xviii

$K$  and  $L$ , with state spaces  $X = \{0, 1, 2\}$

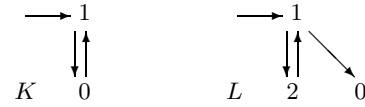
initial set  $\{1\}$

property  $\diamond \square \llbracket \{0\} \rrbracket$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{step}(K) &= 1_X \cup \{(1, 0), (0, 1)\}, \\ \text{step}(L) &= 1_X \cup \{(1, 0), (1, 2), (2, 1)\}. \end{aligned}$$

The quiescent indices are at the zero elements

Simulation  $F = \{(0, 0), (0, 2), (1, 1)\} : K \rightarrow L$



Example:  $xs = (1, 0, 0, 1, 0^\omega)$

corresponds to  $ys = (1, 2, 2, 1, 0^\omega)$

Quiescence is lost where 0 becomes 2.

## Semantic

### Completeness \_\_\_\_\_ xix

**Theorem.** Let  $F : K \rightarrow L$  preserve quiescence.

There is a forward simulation  $H : K \rightarrow K^\#$ ,

an eternity extension  $E : K^\# \rightarrow W$ ,

a refinement mapping  $g : W \rightarrow L$

with  $(H; E; g) \subseteq F$ .

*Sketch of proof.*

$K^\#$  is the “unfolding” of  $K$

with  $\text{states}(K^\#)$  the set of  
 stutterfree initial executions of  $K$ .

$R \subseteq \text{states}(K^\#) \times \text{Beh}(L)$  holds pairs  $(xs, ys)$

with, for some  $xt \in \text{Beh}(K)$ ,

$$xs \sqsubseteq xt \wedge (xt, ys) \in F^\omega \wedge Q_K(xt) \subseteq Q_L(ys)$$

This gives eternity extension  $K^\# \rightarrow W$ .

Function  $g : R \rightarrow \text{states}(L)$

maps  $(xs, ys)$  to  $ys_{n-1}$  where  $n = \#xs$

Preservation of quiescence is needed

to make  $g$  a refinement mapping  $W \rightarrow L$

## Comparison \_\_\_\_\_ xx

This result is simpler than

the Theorem of Abadi-Lamport (1991)

with backward simulation  
instead of eternity extension

There the concrete specification had to be  
“machine-closed”

The abstract specification had to be  
of “finite invisible nondeterminism”  
and “internally continuous”

These conditions are not unreasonable  
but very technical

and therefore inconvenient

## Comparison xxi

Internal continuity is replaced by  
preservation of quiescence

Finite invisible nondeterminism  
is replaced by the condition  
that  $R$  be a behaviour restriction:

For every behaviour  $xs$  of  $K$   
there exists  $m \in M$  with

$$(\forall n :: (xs_n, m) \in R)$$

Usually solved by “approximating”  $m$

## 6. Extended Example xxii

Concrete specification  $K0$

```

var j : Nat := 0 ;
do true → j := j + 1 ;
    || j > 0 → j := 0 ;
od ;
prop: j decreases infinitely often.

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$states(K0) = \mathbb{N}$   
 $init(K0) = \{0\}$   
 $prop(K0) = \square \diamond [ > ]$

$$(i, j) \in step(K0) \equiv j = i + 1 \vee j = 0 \vee j = i$$

## Guessing xxiii

Abstract specification  $K1$

```

var j : Nat := 0, m : Nat := 0 ;
do j < m → j := j + 1 ;
    || j = m → j := 0 ; m := 0 ;
    || j = 0 → j := 1 ; choose m ≥ 1 ;
od ;
prop: (j, m) changes infinitely often.

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$states(K1) = \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$   
 $init(K1) = \{(0, 0)\}$   
 $prop(K1) = \square \diamond [ \neq ]$

$$(j, m), (j', m') \in step(K1) \equiv$$

$$j < m \wedge j' = j + 1 \wedge m' = m$$

$$\vee (j = m \wedge j' = m' = 0)$$

$$\vee (j = 0 \wedge j' = 1 \leq m')$$

$$\vee (j' = j \wedge m' = m).$$

How to let  $K0$  simulate  $K1$ ?

## Adding xxiv

Extend  $K0$  with history variables  
 $n$  and  $q$  to obtain  $K2$

```

var j : Nat := 0, n : Nat := 0 ;
    q : array Nat of Nat := ([Nat] 0) ;
do true → j := j + 1 ; q[n] := q[n] + 1 ;
    || j > 0 → j := 0 ; n := n + 1 ;
od ;
prop: j decreases infinitely often.

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$F_{0,2} : K0 \rightarrow K2$ , the converse of the projection,  
is a forward simulation

## Eternity Extension xxv

Extend  $K2$  with eternity variable  $m$

$m$  is an infinite array

with the behaviour restriction (!)

$$R : j \leq m[n] \wedge (\forall i : 0 \leq i < n : m[i] = q[i]).$$

This gives spec  $K3$  with

$$(j, n, q, m), (j', n', q', m') \in step(K3) \equiv$$

$$m = m' \wedge ((j, n, q), (j', n', q')) \in step(K2)$$

Define  $f_{3,1} : states(K3) \rightarrow states(K1)$  by

$$f_{3,1}(j, n, q, m) = (j, (j = 0 ? 0 : m[n]))$$

This is a refinement mapping  $K3 \rightarrow K1$

We thus have  $K0 \rightarrow K2 \rightarrow K3 \rightarrow K1$ .