

### **Probabilistic Model Checking**

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Does not make sense with probabilities!  $\rightarrow$  We *need* new descriptions for properties. We have different models.



## Markov Chains

Markov Chain  $\mathcal{M} = (S, \mathbb{P}, s_0, AP, L)$ 

- S a set of states and initial state  $s_0$ ,
- +  $\mathbb{P}:S imes S o [0,1]$  , s.t.

$$\sum\nolimits_{s' \in S} \mathbb{P}(s,s') = 1 \ orall s \in S$$

- AP set of atomic propositions and  $L:S
ightarrow 2^{AP}$  a labelling function.





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- What is the probability to send 6 messages successfully and only failing a maximum amount of 15 times?







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• We use it to describe the set of possible states and transitions between them.



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#### • Rewards:

```
rewards
x>0 & x<10 : 2*x;
x=10 : 100;
[a] true : x;
[b] true : 2*x;
endrewards</pre>
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#### Other concepts include:

• Module Renaming

```
module Proc2 = Proc1 [ idle2=idle1, ... ] endmodule
```

- Synchronization between modules
- Partially Observable Models
- Continuous-time Models
- Process Algebra Operators







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Live Coding!



### **Communication Protocol**



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   delivered: [0..1] init 0;
   delivered_count: [0..MAX_COUNT] init 0;
   lost_count: [0..MAX_COUNT] init 0;
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## Simulating Urban Environments



#### dtmc

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#### module car

// x and y coordinates, velocity

endmodule

#### **module** pedestrian

// x and y coordinates, viewing direction in {left, right, north}

endmodule



## Probabilistic Reachability

• We start with objectives similar to the ones discussed at the beginning of the semester:

What is the probability that our system reaches its goal state?







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How can we represent a MC in code/memory?











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- We want to do *quantitative* model checking.
  - How *likely* is the system to fail?

$$Pr(\mathcal{M},s\models \mathbf{F} \; s_{error})$$

• Whats the *probability* of my message to arrive after infinitely many tries?

$$Pr(\mathcal{M}, s \models \mathbf{F} \text{ delivered})$$



## Paths

- A path  $\pi = s_0 s_1 s_2 \ldots \in S^\omega$  , s.t.  $\mathbb{P}(s_i, s_{i+1}) > 0, orall i \geq 0$
- $Paths(\mathcal{M})$  is the set of all paths in  $\mathcal{M}$  and
- $Paths_{fin}(\mathcal{M})$  is the set of all finite path fragments in  $\mathcal{M}$ .



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• The probability of one event of interest is then:

$$Pr(Cyl(\hat{\pi_i})) = Pr(Cyl(s_0s_1\dots s_n)) = \prod_{0 \leq i < n} \mathbb{P}(s_i, s_{i+1})$$



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 $\Pi_{\mathbf{F}B} = Paths_{fin}(\mathcal{M}) \cap (S \setminus B)^*B$ 

All  $\hat{\pi} \in \Pi_{\mathbf{F}B}$  are pairwise disjoint, hence:

$$Pr(\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \mathbf{F}B) = \sum_{\hat{\pi} \in \Pi_{\mathbf{F}B}} Pr(Cyl(\hat{\pi}))$$



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- and the probability to reach  $S_{=1}$  via a path fragment  $(s \ t \ \ldots \ u)$ :  $\sum_{t\in S_?}\mathbb{P}(s,t)\cdot x_t$
- Together

$$x_s = \sum_{t \in S_?} \mathbb{P}(s,t) \cdot x_t + \sum_{u \in S_{=1}} \mathbb{P}(s,u)$$





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We will consider a slightly different algorithm:

$$\mathbf{A}^n = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdots \mathbf{A}$$

contains the probability to be in state t after n steps in entry  $\mathbf{A}^n(s,t)$ . We call

$$\Theta^{\mathcal{M}}_n(t) = \sum_{s \in S} \mathbf{A}^n(s,t)$$

the *transient state probability* for state t.



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Let's consider  $(\Theta_n^{\mathcal{M}}(t))_{s\in S}$ , the vector of transient state probabilities for the nth step.

We can compute  $Pr(\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \mathbf{F}^{\leq n}B)$  in a modified Markov chain:

$$\mathcal{M}_B = (S, s_0, \mathbb{P}_B, AP, L)$$

where:

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$$Pr(\mathcal{M},s\models \mathbf{F}^{\leq n}B)=Pr(\mathcal{M}_B,s\models \mathbf{F}^{=n}B)$$

and therefore

$$Pr(\mathcal{M},s\models \mathbf{F}^{\leq n}B)=\sum_{t\in B}\Theta_n^{\mathcal{M}_B}(t)$$



# Computing $Pr(\mathcal{M},s\models \mathbf{F}^{\leq n}B)$ via Transient State Probabilities

We have the following algorithm to compute  $Pr(\mathcal{M},s\models \mathbf{F}^{\leq n}B)$  :

- $\Theta_0^{\mathcal{M}}(t) = \mathbf{e}_i$  , i.e. the unit vector with 1 at the ith position and 0 else.
- + For k=0 up to  $n-1: \Theta_{k+1}^{\mathcal{M}}(t) = \mathbf{A} \cdot \Theta_{k}^{\mathcal{M}}(t)$
- $Pr(\mathcal{M},s\models \mathbf{F}^{\leq n}B)=\sum_{t\in B}\Theta_n^{\mathcal{M}_B}(t)$