

Computable analysis and control synthesis over complex dynamical systems via formal verification

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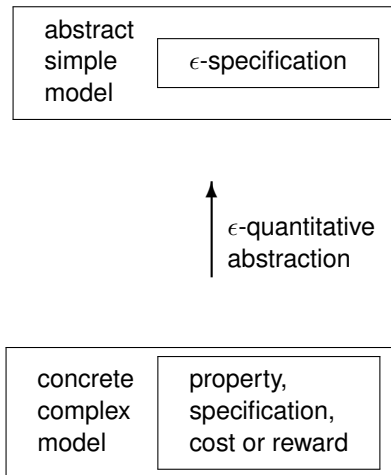
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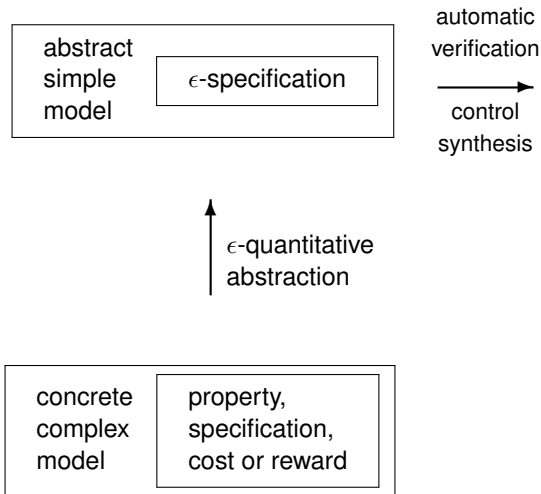
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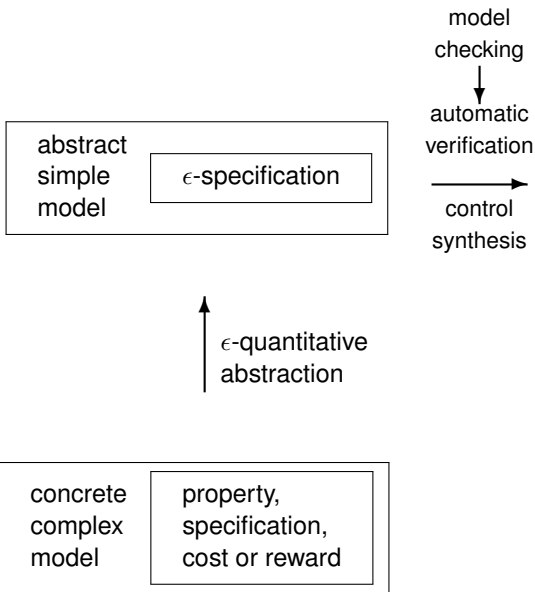
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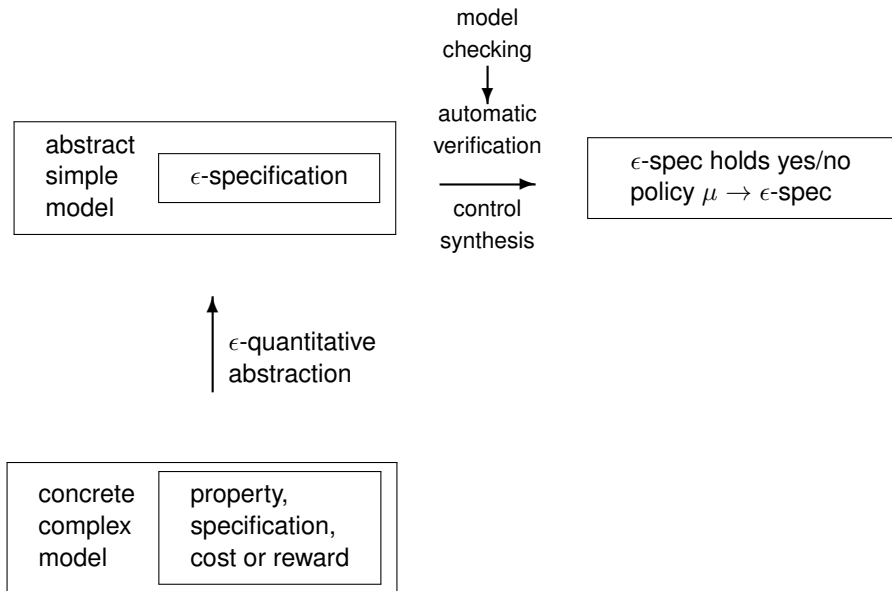
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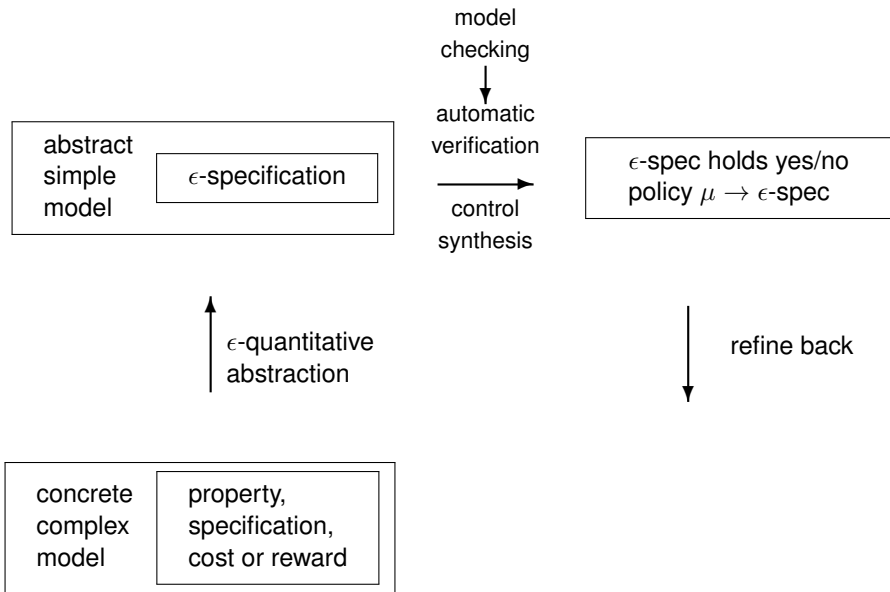
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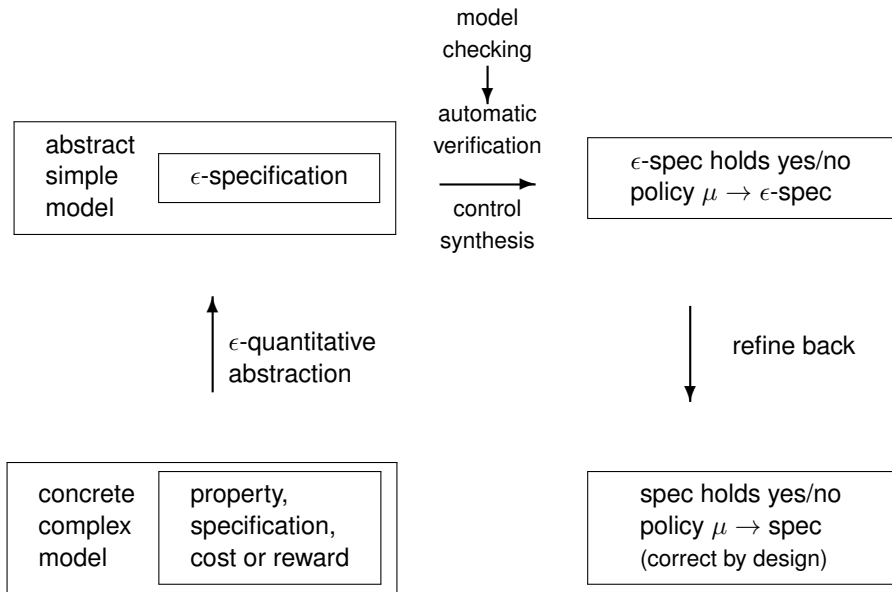
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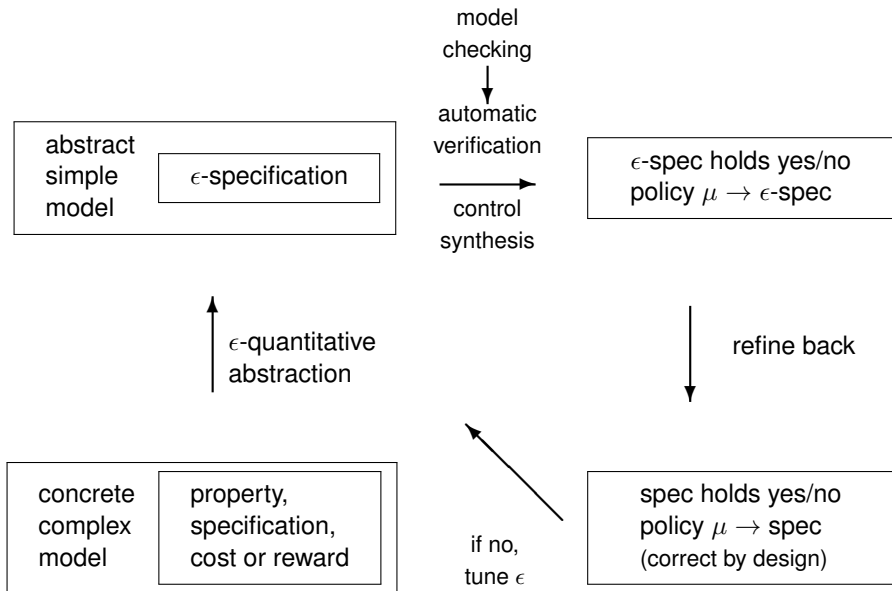
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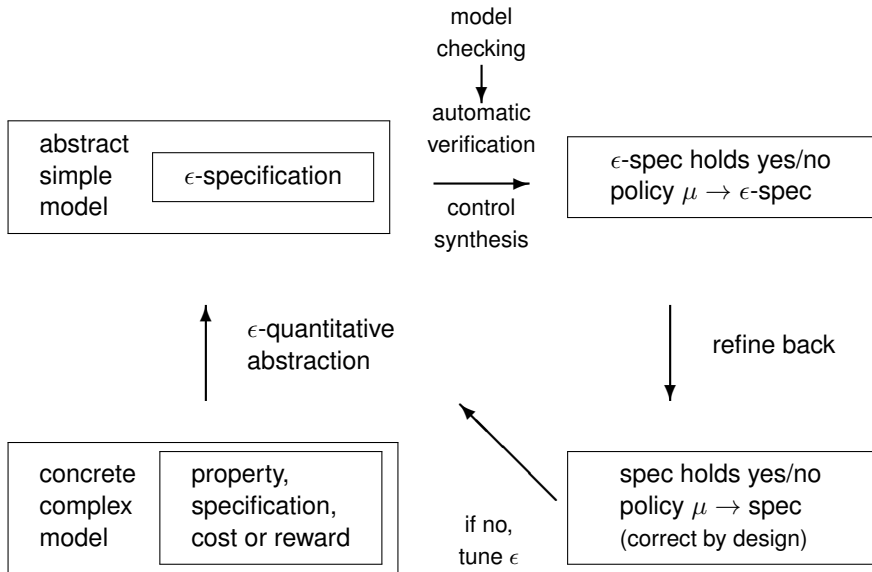
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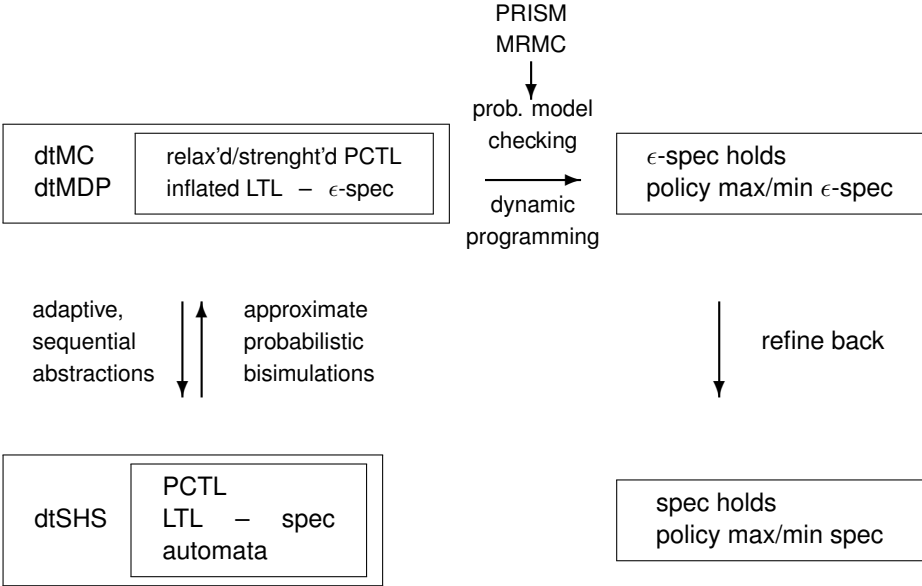
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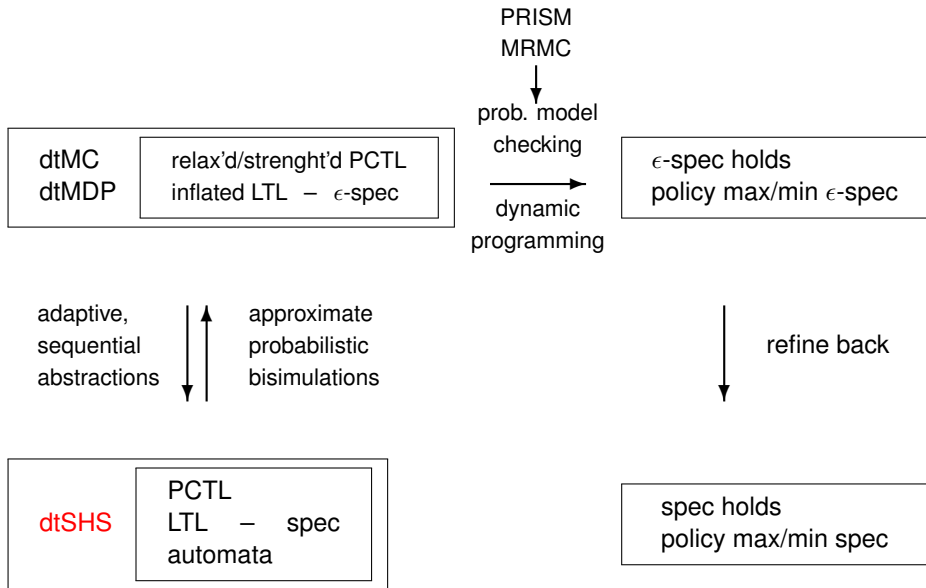
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Formal abstractions for verification of dtSHS



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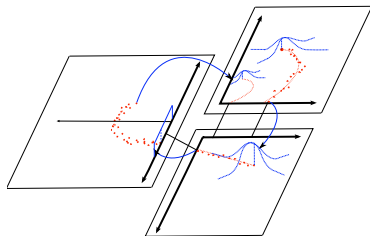
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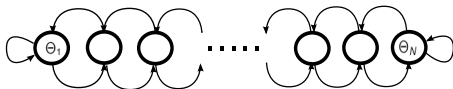
- **policy** μ : “string” of controls
- equivalent dynamical representation: $s_{k+1} = f(s_k, \xi_k, u_k)$
- related to other models, e.g. LMP

[AA et al - Automatica 08]

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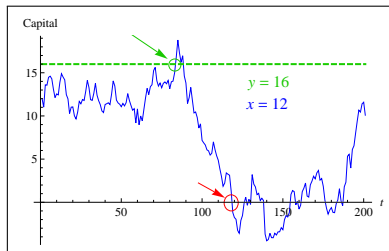
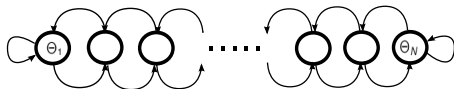
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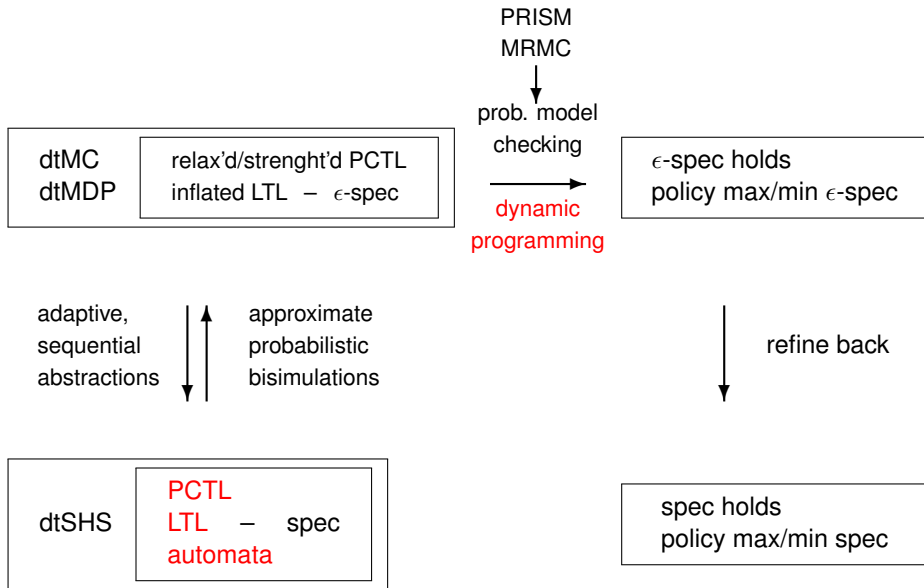
- **objective:** what is the probability that, starting from initial capital $Z_0 = x$, high capitalization y is reached, while company's bankruptcy is avoided

[I. Tkachev, AA - CDC 11]

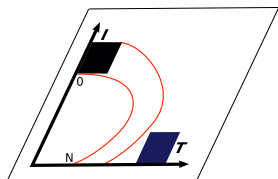
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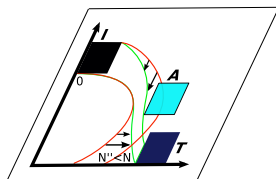
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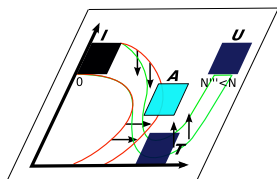
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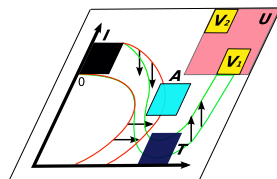
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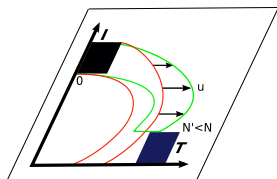
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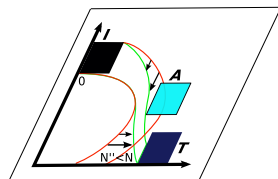
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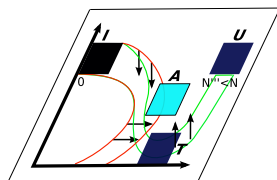
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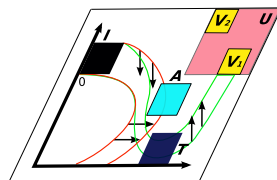
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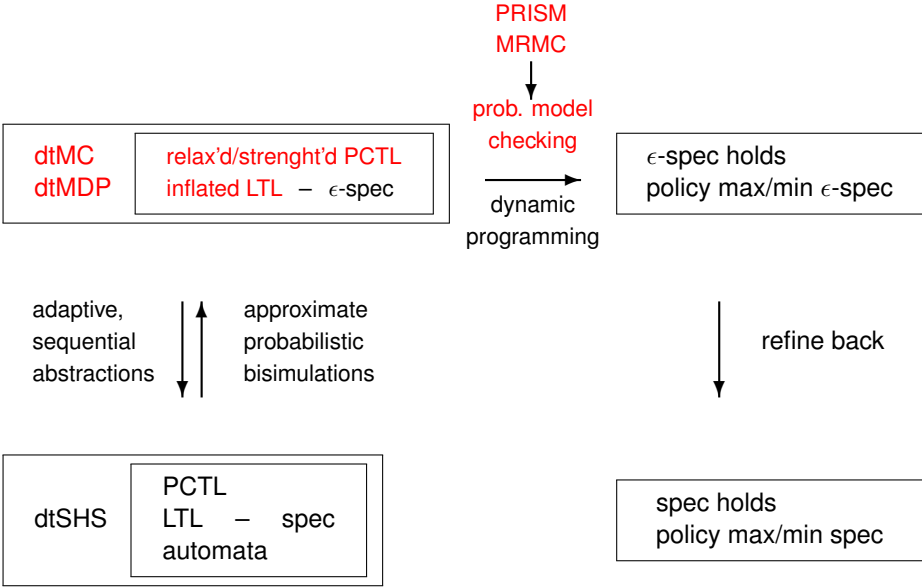
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- 2 select $\eta > 0 : \eta/2 \in (0, 1 - \epsilon)$
- 3 pick $\delta : f(\delta, N) \leq \eta/2$
- 4 compute $Z_\delta(\epsilon + \eta/2)$
- 5 define $\hat{S}_\eta(\epsilon) \doteq \{s \in \mathcal{S} \leftrightarrow z \in Z_\delta(\epsilon + \eta/2)\}$

\Rightarrow

$$S(\epsilon + \eta) \subseteq \hat{S}_\eta(\epsilon) \subseteq S(\epsilon)$$

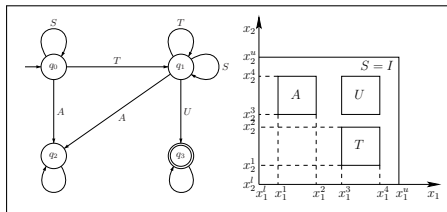
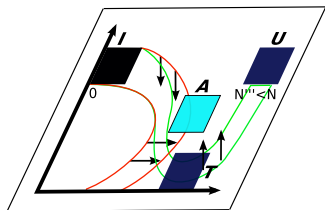
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- 1 if PCTL formula is “robust”, then conclusion holds for $\mathbb{P}_{\sim\epsilon}(\Psi)$ on SHS
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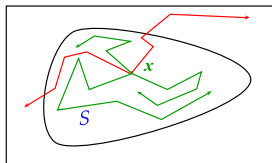
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- generalization to “richer” set of properties over dtSHS
- specifications expressed as a **DFA** or a **Büchi automata**
- probabilistic reachability-like computation over product construction
- recent extensions to controller synthesis

[AA et al. - HSCC 11; I. Tkachev et al. - HSCC13]

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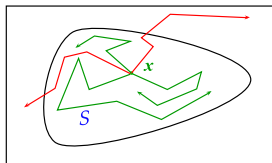


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[I. Tkachev, AA - CDC 11, HSCC 12, CDC12, TCS 13]

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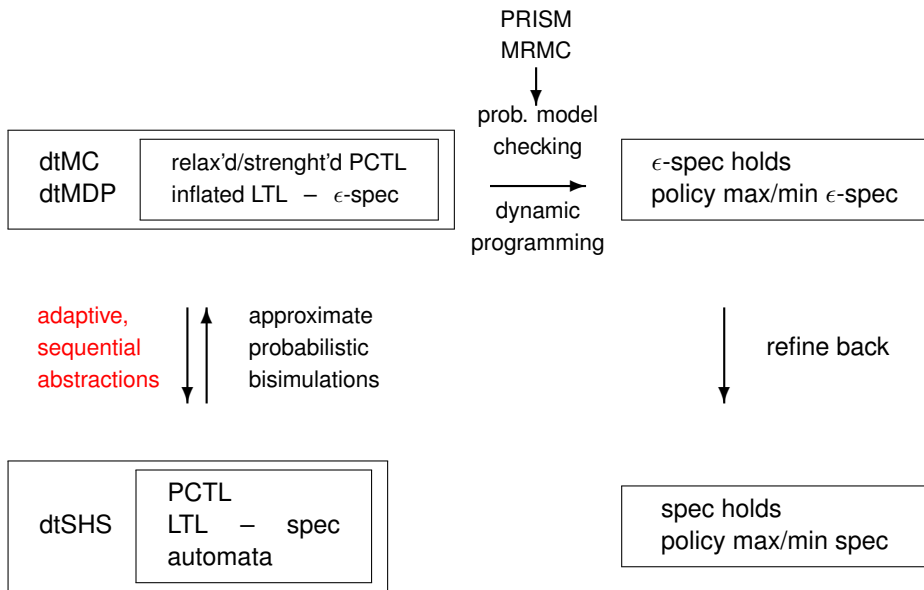
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- existence and computation of **absorbing set** $B : \forall x \in B, T_s(B|x) = 1$
- characterization** – study of existence/uniqueness of (non-trivial) solutions of Bellman equations
 - convergence of Bellman recursions, contractivity of operators
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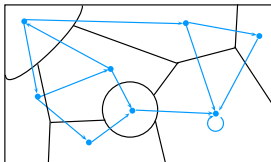
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- approximation via δ -partitioning: $\mathcal{S} = \cup_{i=1, \dots, m} \mathcal{S}^i$



- under Lip-continuity assumptions on density of kernel T_s ,

$$h(i, j), \quad i, j = 1, \dots, m$$

- for any $z_q^i \in \mathcal{S}_\delta, \forall s : s \wedge z^i \in \mathcal{S}^i$, error is

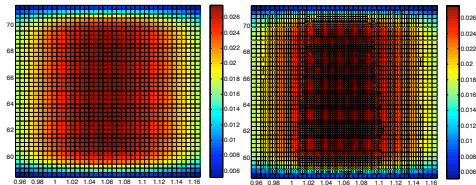
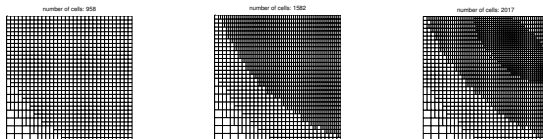
$$f(\delta, N) \doteq |\mathcal{P}_s(\mathcal{S}) - \mathcal{P}_{z^i}(\mathcal{S}_\delta)| \leq \max_{i=1, \dots, m} N \delta_i \sum_{j=1, \dots, m} h(i, j),$$

$$\delta = \max_{i=1, \dots, m} \delta_i, \quad \delta_{q,i} = \text{diam}(\mathcal{S}^i)$$

error is linear in N, δ_i and depends on local constants $h(i, j) \rightarrow$ local tuning

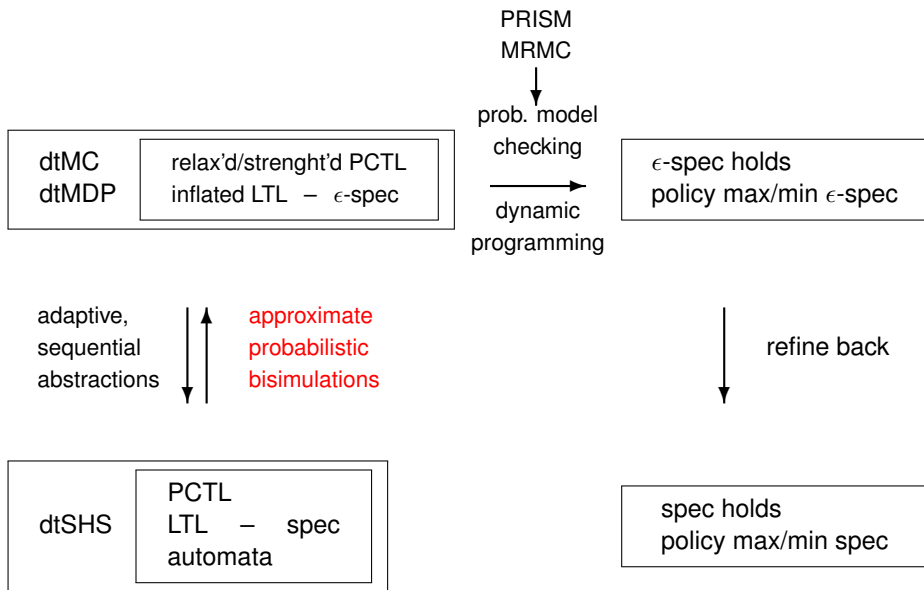
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- **formula-based** abstractions
- software (in the making) for **sequential**, **adaptive** grid generation based on approximation error
- from MATLAB/Simuling model to MRMC/PRISM input



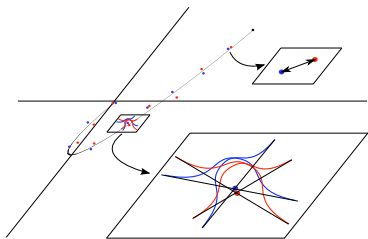
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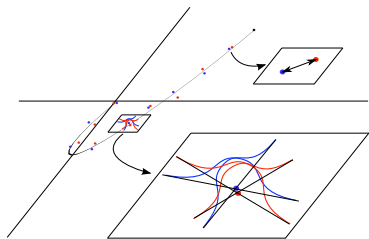
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A function $\psi : \mathcal{S}_1 \times \mathcal{S}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is a **probabilistic bisimulation function** if $\psi(s_{1,2}) \geq \|s_1 - s_2\|^2$ and if $\psi_{s_0}(s_{1,2}(k))$ is a *supermartingale*.

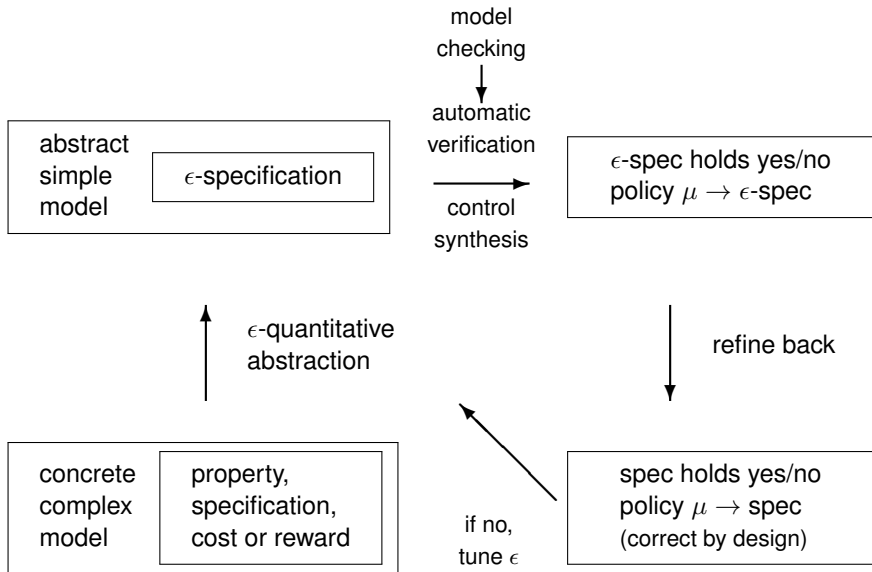
- ψ is an upper bound on the distance btw solutions of two models:

$$P_{s_0} (\sup_{k \geq 0} \|s_1(k) - s_2(k)\|^2 \geq \epsilon) \leq \psi_{s_0}(s_{1,2}(0)) / \epsilon$$

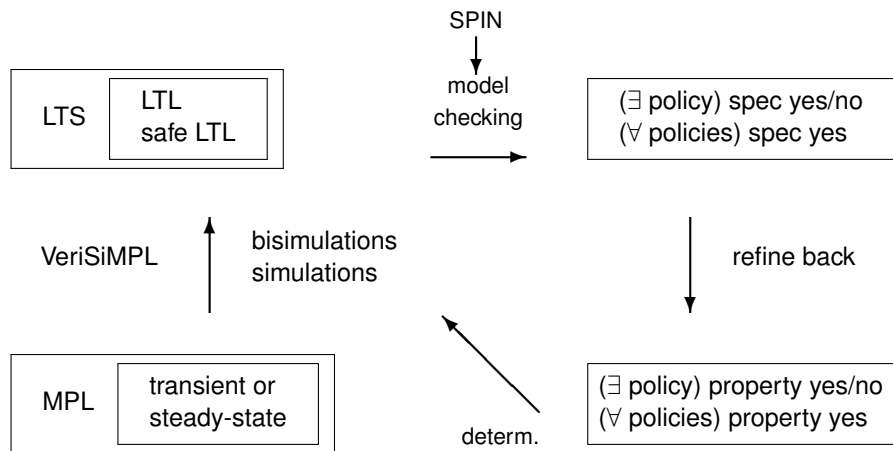
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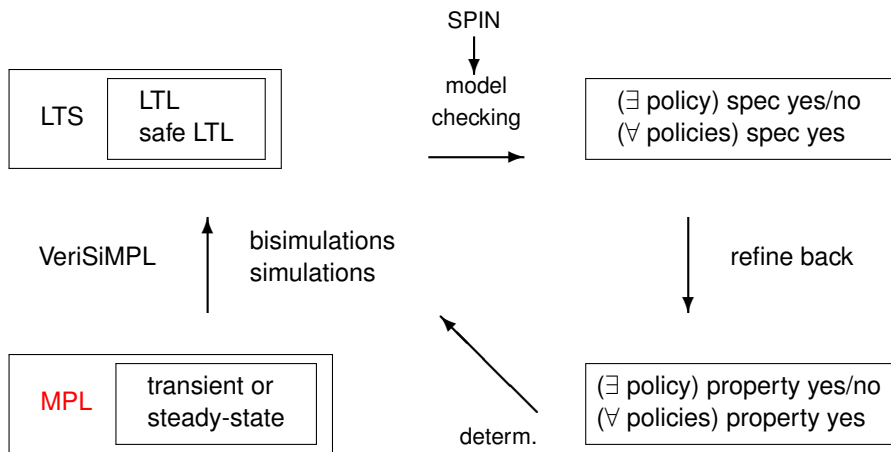
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Formal abstractions for verification of MPL models



Introduction to MPL systems



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- **Max-Plus-Linear (MPL) systems** are event-driven models
- applications: railway scheduling, planning of production lines, network calculus



- $x(k)$ is the time of k -th event, $k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$
 - timing updates: **maximization** (\oplus) and **addition** (\otimes) operations
- **max-plus algebra**
- $\epsilon = -\infty$, $\mathbb{R}_\epsilon = \mathbb{R} \cup \{\epsilon\}$, $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}_\epsilon$
 - $\alpha \oplus \beta := \max(\alpha, \beta)$, $\alpha \otimes \beta := \alpha + \beta$, and matrix operations

Max-plus-linear models

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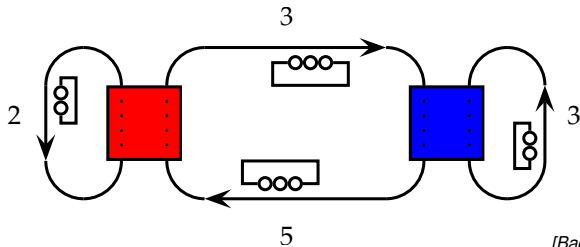
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Definition (Non-autonomous MPL model)

$$x(k+1) = A \otimes x(k) \oplus B \otimes u(k),$$

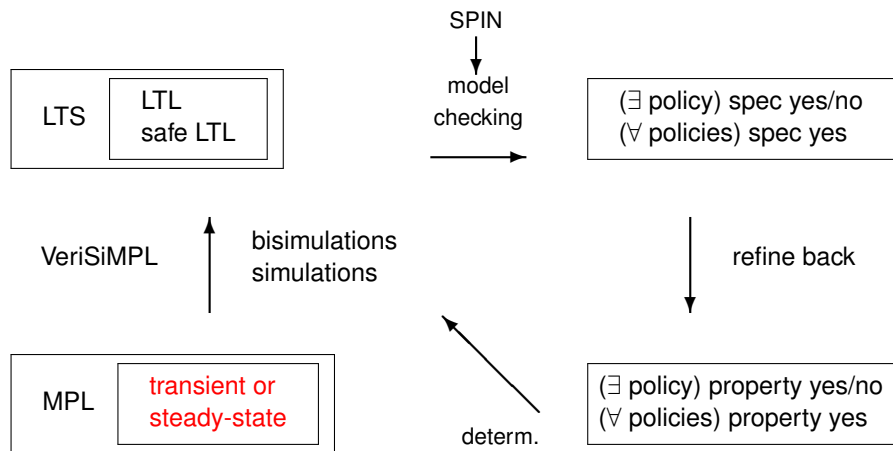
where $B \in \mathbb{R}_\epsilon^{n \times m}$ and $u \in \mathbb{R}^m$ (synthesis = scheduling)

[Baccelli et al., 92]

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Classical analysis of MPL models



Classical analysis of MPL models

- study of transient and periodic regimes, of asymptotics
- classical analysis based on **algebraic** or **geometric** properties

Definition

- 1 **max-plus eigenvector** $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$: $A \otimes x = \lambda \otimes x \Rightarrow x(k+1) = \lambda \otimes x(k)$
- 2 **cycles on precedence graph** \Rightarrow periodic regime with period c :
 $\forall k \geq k_0, x(k+c) = \lambda^{\otimes c} \otimes x(k)$

Example

- 1 eigenspace (periodic regime with period 1 and $\lambda = 4$):

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 13 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 17 \\ 16 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 21 \\ 20 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 25 \\ 24 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 29 \\ 28 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 33 \\ 32 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 37 \\ 36 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 41 \\ 40 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 45 \\ 44 \end{bmatrix}, \dots$$

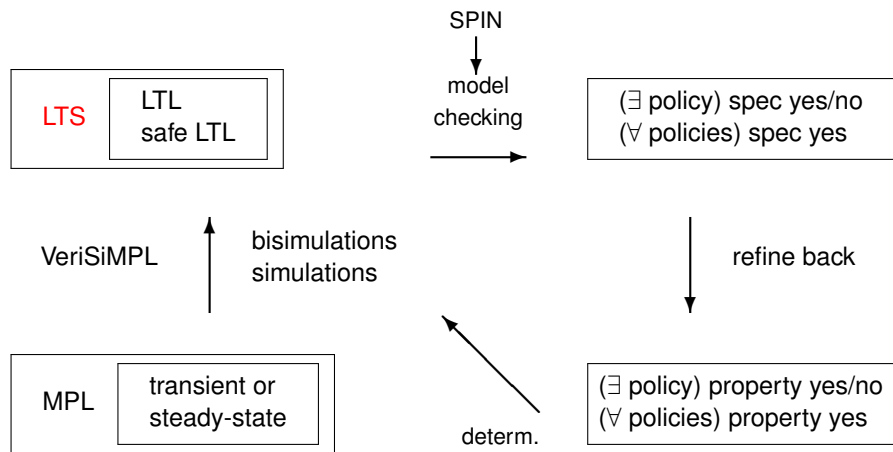
- 2 periodic regime with period $c = 2$ (transient $k_0 = 3$):

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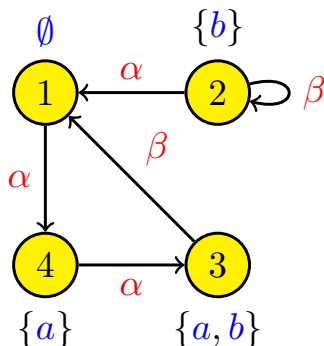
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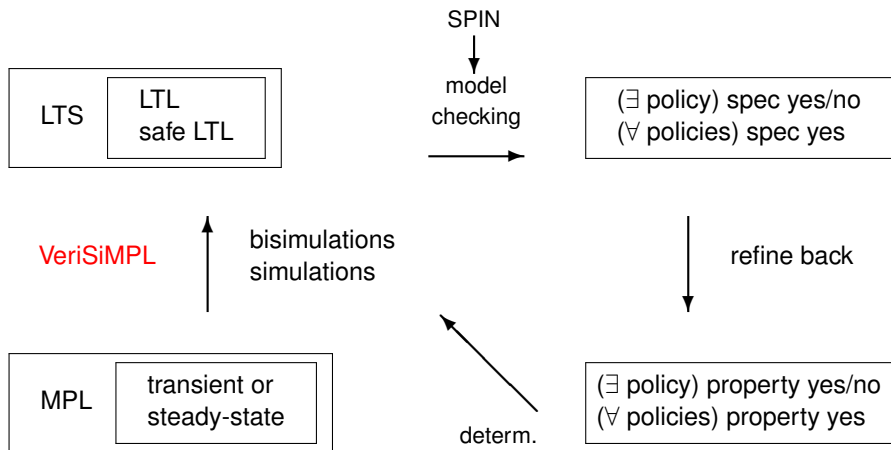
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- set of states $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$
- set of **inputs** $Act = \{\alpha, \beta\}$
- transitions $\longrightarrow = \{(1, \alpha, 4), (4, \alpha, 3), \dots\}$
- set of **outputs** $AP = \{a, b\}$ and output map $L(1) = \emptyset, L(2) = \{b\}, \dots$

- labels can be defined over **states** or **transitions**
- LTS can be **deterministic** vs **non-deterministic**
- LTS can be **infinite** vs **finite**

Finite LTS as abstractions of MPL models



- procedure: need to compute

- 1 S : **states** of LTS
- 2 \rightarrow : LTS **transitions**
- 3 L : LTS **labels**

LTS states: partitioning of state space

- state space \mathbb{R}^n is partitioned in **finitely many** polytopic regions
- partition is **not arbitrary**, it is adapted to underlying dynamics
- obtained **state-space partition** defines **states** of LTS
- partition can be possibly refined (*determinization* – more later)

Example

- we obtain a total of 5 regions:

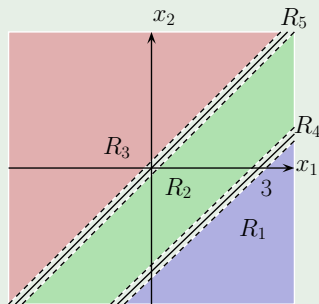
$$R_1 = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x_1 - x_2 < 0\}$$

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$$R_4 = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x_1 - x_2 = 3\}$$

$$R_5 = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 0 < x_1 - x_2 < 3\}$$



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- **closure**: image/inverse image of DBM over MPL dynamics is again a DBM

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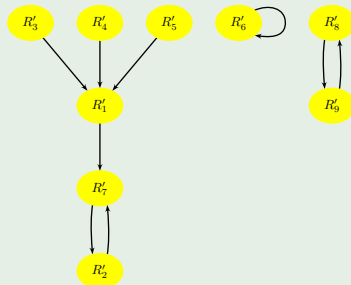
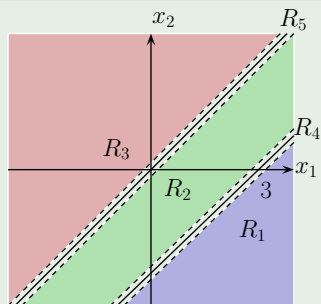
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- computation of transitions:
 - use region representation via DBM, DBM forward-mapping via PWA dynamics, DBM emptiness check
- transitions are stored on sparse Boolean matrix

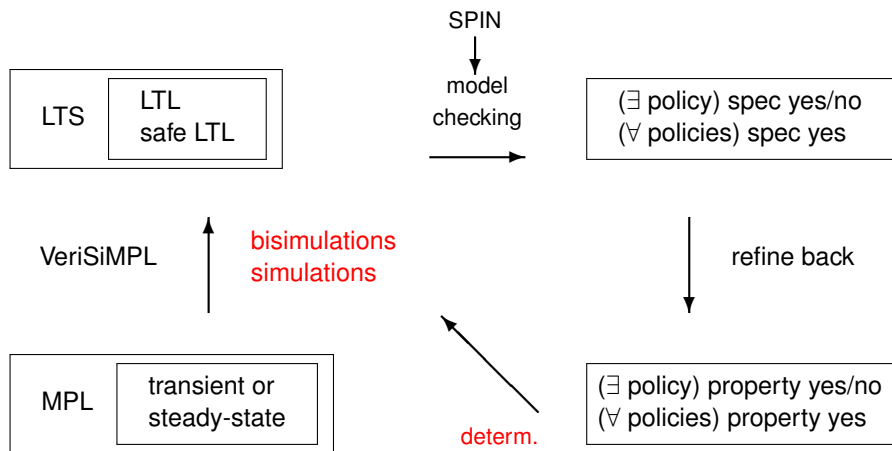
LTS transitions, an example

Example



- **determinism** vs **non-determinism** of obtained TS
- above R_i - **original** partitions, R'_i - **refined** partitions (determinization)

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Theorem

- TS *simulates* the original MPL model
- TS *bisimulates* the MPL model if and only if it is *deterministic*

- non-deterministic TS can be “determinized” by refining partitioning regions
- however, refinement procedure may not terminate

Theorem

- if TS is *deterministic over the periodic regime*, then TS is globally deterministic
- every *irreducible* MPL model admits finite deterministic TS abstraction

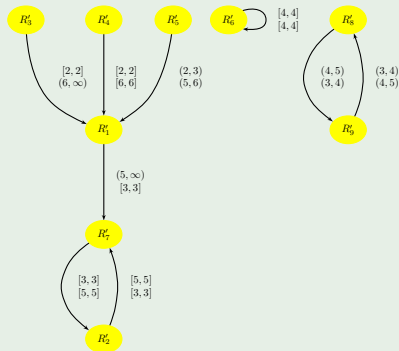
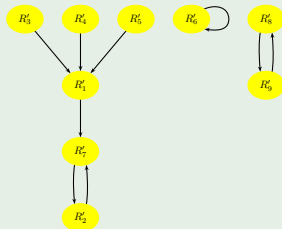
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- **state labels:**
all possible values of $x_i(k) - x_j(k)$, for $1 \leq i < j \leq n$
time difference of **same-event variables**
- **transition labels:**
all possible values of $x_i(k + 1) - x_i(k)$, for $1 \leq i \leq n$
time difference of **successive events**
- labels are **vectors of intervals**, can be represented as **DBM**

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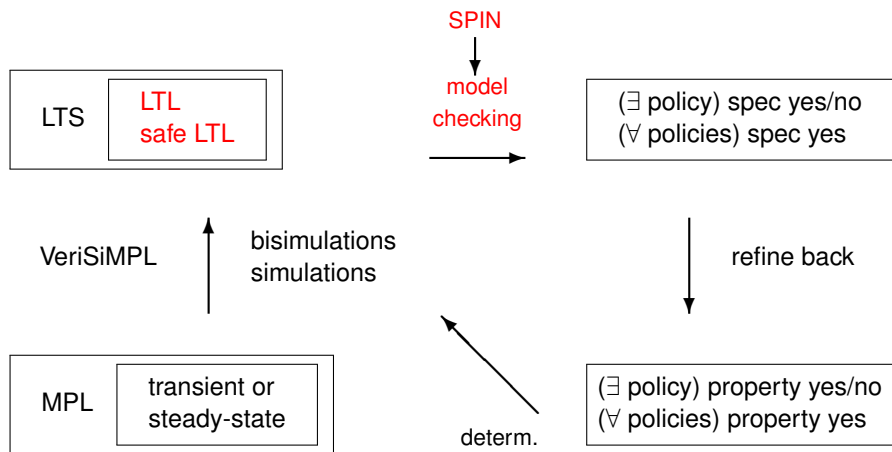
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- abstract MPL model as LTS (in [MATLAB](#))
- export LTS abstraction (as [PROMELA](#) script) into [SPIN](#) model checker
- consider properties in [LTL](#) logic
- verify property via SPIN over LTS and export outcome back to MPL model

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VeriSiMPL (“very simple”)

Verification via biSimulations of Max-Plus Linear Models

VeriSiMPL

- is a software tool for concrete MPL models implemented in Matlab, which exports abstract LTS models to SPIN in Promela language

Documentation

- comes as a text file: txt

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- the toolbox as a compressed folder: zip

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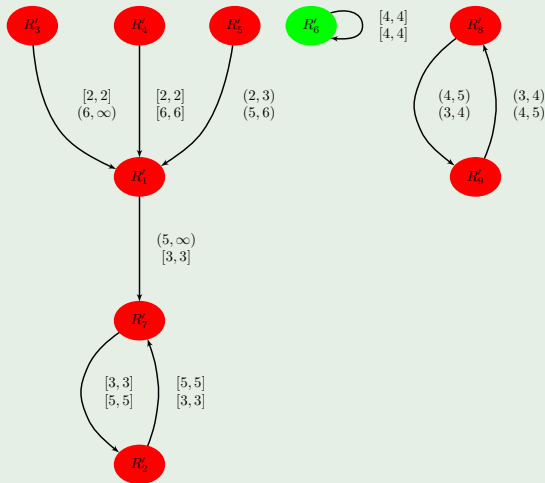
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MPL verification in practice

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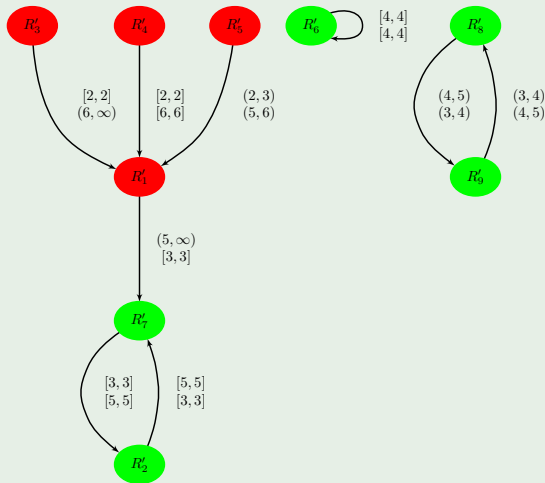
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- automatically identify MPL **periodic regime**: $\Psi = \bigvee_{\varphi \in L=AP} \square(\varphi \wedge \bigcirc^c \varphi)$



Computational benchmark for abstraction

- coded in MATLAB, run over 12-core Intel Xeon, 3.47 GHz, 24 GB
- **A randomly generated** with elements taking values between 1 and 100
- **10 independent experiments** per dimension – mean values are displayed:

size of MPL model	time for generation of states	time for generation of transitions	time for generation of labels	total number of LTS states	total number of LTS transitions
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5	0.2 [s]	0.4 [s]	0.1 [s]	8.6	13.8
7	0.9 [s]	0.5 [s]	0.3 [s]	37.2	289.3
9	4.1 [s]	0.8 [s]	1.6 [s]	120.0	$1.7 \cdot 10^3$
11	24.8 [s]	15.2 [s]	16.1 [s]	613.2	$1.9 \cdot 10^4$
13	3.5 [m]	5.5 [m]	2.8 [m]	$1.9 \cdot 10^3$	$1.9 \cdot 10^5$
15	53.6 [m]	2.0 [h]	39.4 [m]	$7.4 \cdot 10^3$	$2.0 \cdot 10^6$

- **bottleneck:** generation of transitions

Computational benchmark for reachability analysis

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- set of initial conditions is selected as the unit hypercube
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size of MPL model	time for generation of abstract TS	number of regions of abstract TS	time for generation of reach tube
3	0.09 [s]	5	0.09 [s]
10	4.73 [s]	700	8.23 [s]
19	67.07 [m]	$3.48 \cdot 10^5$	7.13 [h]

- generation time for reach tube of 10-dimensional MPL model, different time horizons
- comparison VeriSiMPL vs MPT (multi-parametric tool, ETH Zürich):

time horizon	20	40	60	80	100
VeriSiMPL	11.02 [s]	17.94 [s]	37.40 [s]	51.21 [s]	64.59 [s]
MPT	47.61 [m]	1.19 [h]	2.32 [h]	3.03 [h]	3.73 [h]

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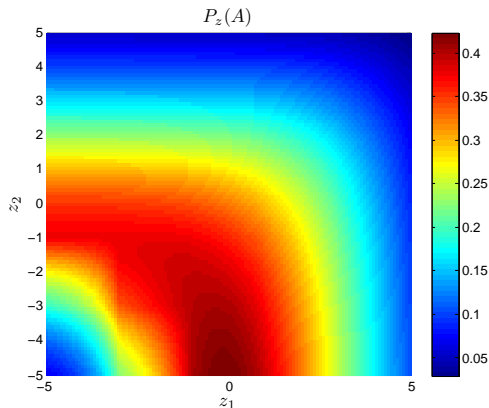
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- abstraction of SMPL models as Markov chains
- can be obtained in two possible ways:
 - 1 leveraging **theory above**, under continuity assumptions on kernels $t_{ij}(\cdot)$
 - 2 by **symbolic approach** over distributions that are closed under max-plus algebra operations
- error quantification

Simulations over 2D SMPL model

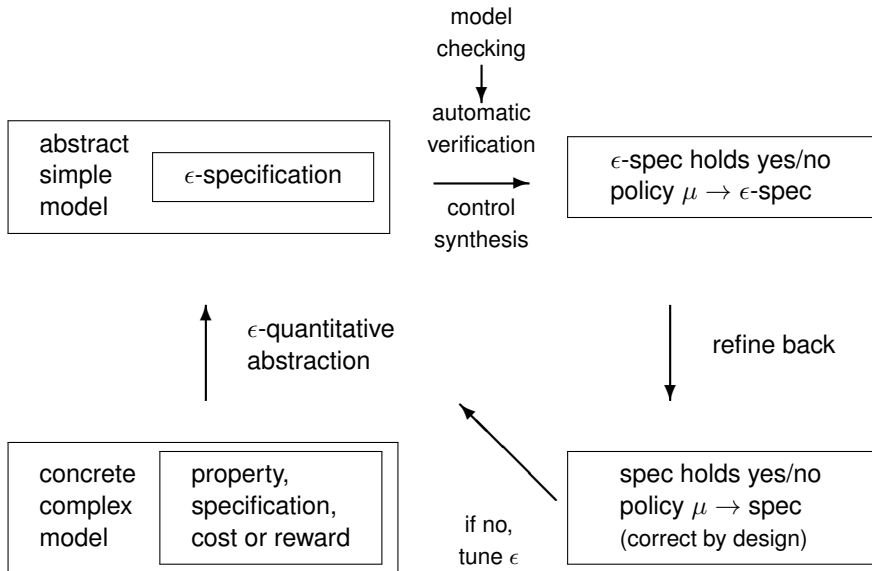
- exponential distributions (rates btw 1/3 and 1) for the entries of 2D matrix A
- pick time horizon $N = 5$, safe set $\mathcal{A} = [-5, 5]^2$
- select (3700, 2900) bins per dimension, partition uniformly
- abstraction error results in $E = 32.5\delta < 0.1$



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