

Deciding the value 1 problem in 1-clock Decision Stochastic Timed Automata

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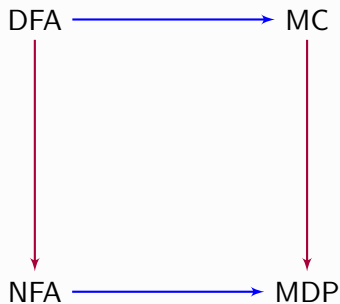
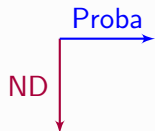
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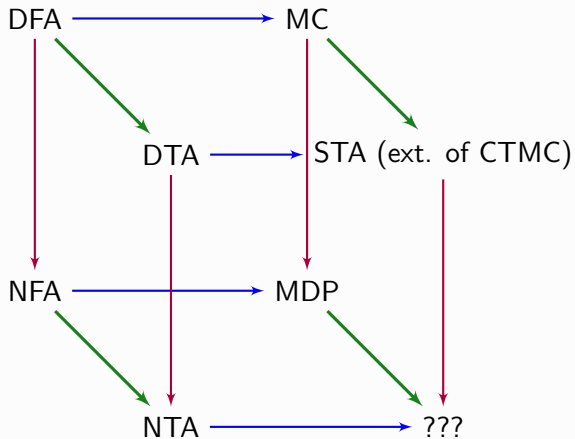
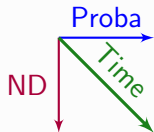
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Non-deterministic and probabilistic timed systems

Two approaches to combine **probability**, **non-determinism** and **time**:

■ Probabilistic Timed Automata

M. Z. Kwiatkowska, G. Norman, R. Segala, J. Sproston:

Automatic Verification of Real-Time Systems with Discrete Probability Distributions. ARTS 1999

- **Time-delays** are chosen **non-deterministically**,
- Edges are according to **discrete probability distributions**.

■ Decision Stochastic Timed Automata (ext. of CTMDP)

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- **Time-delays** are chosen via **continuous probability distributions**,
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In this talk, we consider **reachability problem on 1-clock DSTA**.

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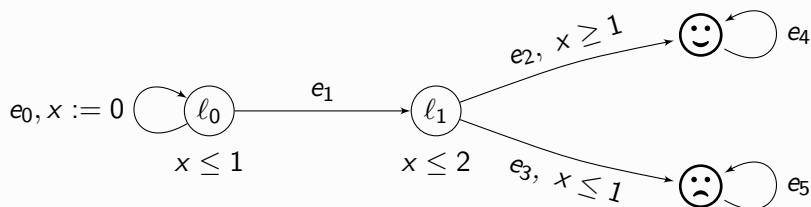
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One-clock Timed Automaton

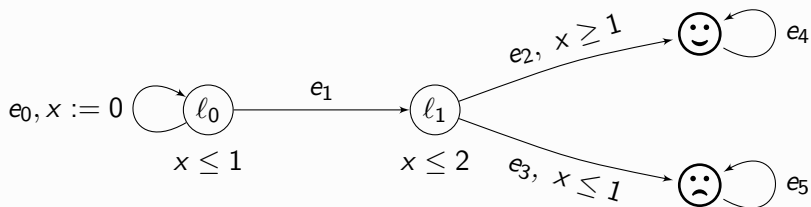


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A **one-clock timed automaton** is a tuple $\mathcal{A} = (L, \ell_0, E, \mathcal{I})$ where:

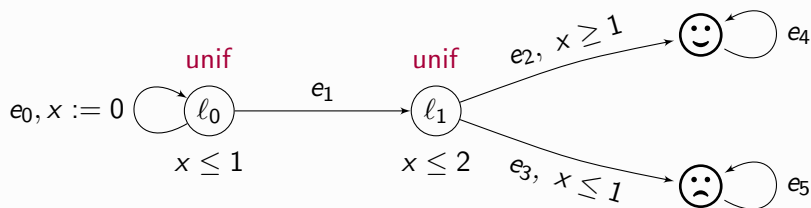
- (i) L is a finite set of locations,
- (ii) $\ell_0 \in L$ is the initial location,
- (iii) $E \subseteq L \times \mathcal{G}(x) \times 2^{\{x\}} \times L$ is a finite set of edges, and
- (iv) $\mathcal{I} : L \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(x)$ assigns an invariant to each location.

Semantics of TA



$$(l_0, 0) \xrightarrow{.7} (l_0, .7) \xrightarrow{e_0} (l_0, 0) \xrightarrow{.8} (l_0, .8) \xrightarrow{e_1} (l_1, .8) \xrightarrow{.3} (l_0, 1.1) \xrightarrow{e_2} \text{😊}$$

One-clock Decision Stochastic Timed Automaton

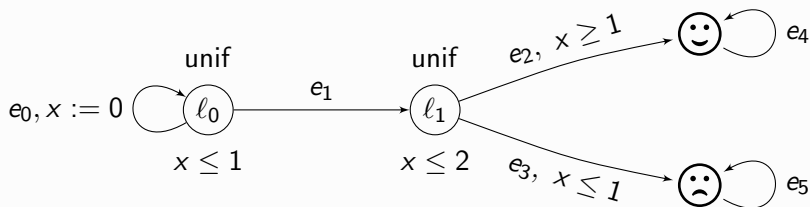


Definition

A **decision stochastic timed automaton** is a tuple (\mathcal{A}, μ) , where

- (i) $\mathcal{A} = (L, \ell_0, E, \mathcal{I})$ is a single clock timed automaton and
- (ii) $\mu = (\mu_{\ell, t})$ is a family of *distributions*, $\mu_{\ell, t} \in \text{Dist}(\mathcal{I}(\ell) \cap [t, +\infty[)$.

Semantics of DSTA - Intuitively

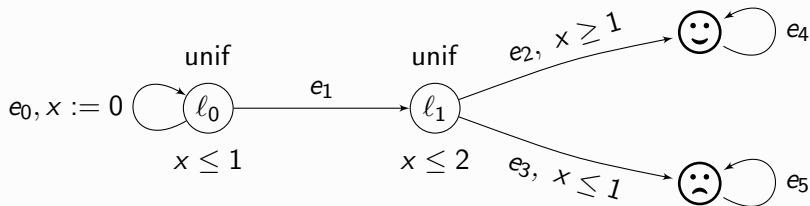


We consider an infinite state 1-1/2 player game. From a state s

- The *stochastic player* chooses randomly a delay τ (according to μ_s).
- The *non-deterministic player* chooses an edge e (enable from $s + \tau$).

We will denote by σ a **strategy of the non-deterministic player**.

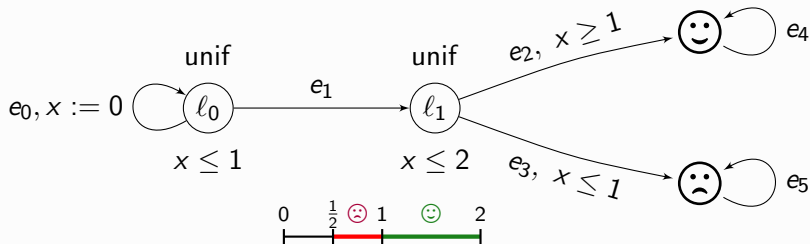
Examples of strategies (1)



$$\sigma(l_0, \nu) = \begin{cases} e_0 & \text{if } \nu < 1 \\ e_1 & \text{if } \nu = 1 \end{cases} \quad ; \quad \sigma(l_1, \nu) = \begin{cases} e_2 & \text{if } \nu \geq 1 \\ e_3 & \text{if } \nu < 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbb{P}_\sigma^{s_0}((\mathcal{A}, \mu) \models \diamond \text{😊}) = 0, \quad \text{where } s_0 = (l_0, 0).$$

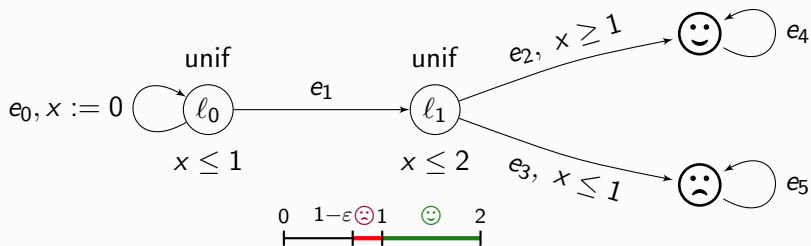
Examples of strategies (2)



$$\sigma'(l_0, \nu) = \begin{cases} e_0 & \text{if } \nu < \frac{1}{2} \\ e_1 & \text{if } \nu \geq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases} ; \quad \sigma'(l_1, \nu) = \begin{cases} e_2 & \text{if } \nu \geq 1 \\ e_3 & \text{if } \nu < 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbb{P}_{\sigma'}^{s_0}((\mathcal{A}, \mu) \models \diamond \text{😊}) \geq \frac{2}{3}, \quad \text{where } s_0 = (l_0, 0).$$

Examples of strategies (3)



$$\sigma_\epsilon(l_0, \nu) = \begin{cases} e_0 & \text{if } \nu < 1 - \epsilon \\ e_1 & \text{if } \nu \geq 1 - \epsilon \end{cases} ; \quad \sigma_\epsilon(l_1, \nu) = \begin{cases} e_2 & \text{if } \nu \geq 1 \\ e_3 & \text{if } \nu < 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbb{P}_{\sigma_\epsilon}^{s_0}((\mathcal{A}, \mu) \models \diamond \text{😊}) \geq \frac{1}{1 + \epsilon} \geq 1 - \epsilon, \quad \text{where } s_0 = (l_0, 0).$$

Almost-sure Vs Limit-sure

Given a DSTA (\mathcal{A}, μ) , a target set $F \subseteq L$ and an initial state $s \in S$.

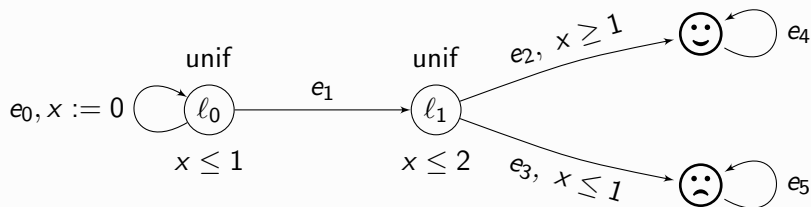
- F is **almost-surely** reachable from s iff

$$\exists \sigma \quad \mathbb{P}_\sigma^s((\mathcal{A}, \mu) \models \diamond F) = 1.$$

- F is **limit-surely** reachable from s iff

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists \sigma \quad \mathbb{P}_\sigma^s((\mathcal{A}, \mu) \models \diamond F) > 1 - \varepsilon.$$

Almost-sure Vs Limit-sure - continued



- 😊 is not almost-surely reachable from $(l_0, 0)$,
- 😊 is limit-surely reachable from $(l_0, 0)$.

Remark

On MDPs the limit-sure and almost-sure problems coincide.

Problems considered and results

Probability 1 problem

Input: A DSTA (\mathcal{A}, μ) , a target set $F \subseteq L$ and an initial state $s \in S$.

Question: Is F almost-surely reachable from s ?

Value 1 problem

Input: A DSTA (\mathcal{A}, μ) , a target set $F \subseteq L$ and an initial state $s \in S$.

Question: Is F limit-surely reachable from s ?

Theorem

The “Probability 1” and “Value 1” are decidable in polynomial time.

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Solving the value 1 problem - Key idea

Let (\mathcal{A}, μ) be a DSTA, we build a **finite MDP** \mathcal{A}_{cp} such that

F is **limit-surely** reachable from s_0 in (\mathcal{A}, μ)

if and only if

\mathcal{F} is **almost-surely** reachable from \tilde{s}_0 in \mathcal{A}_{cp} .

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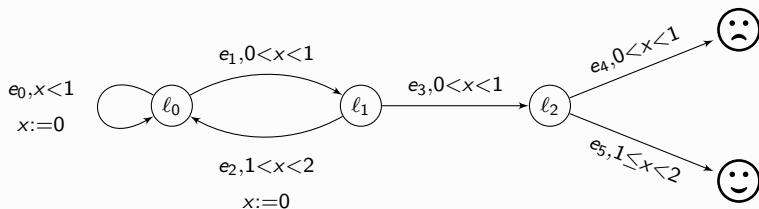
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A new example

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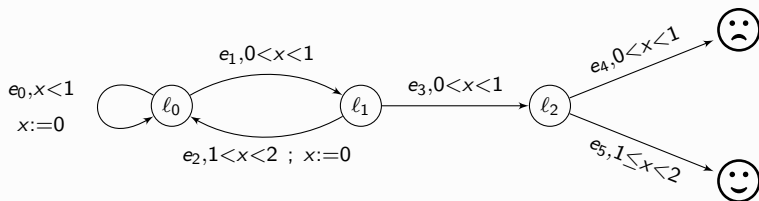
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Notice that the σ_ε are **not region-uniform** !

Building the limit corner-point region MDP

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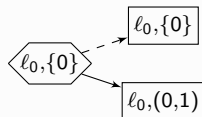
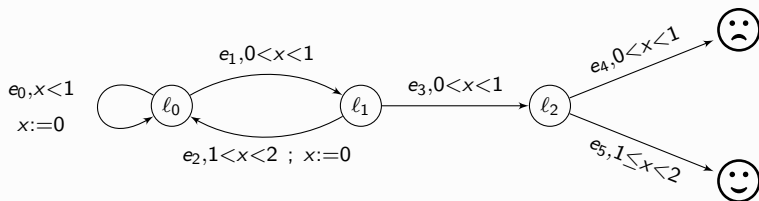


$l_0, \{0\}$



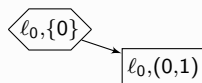
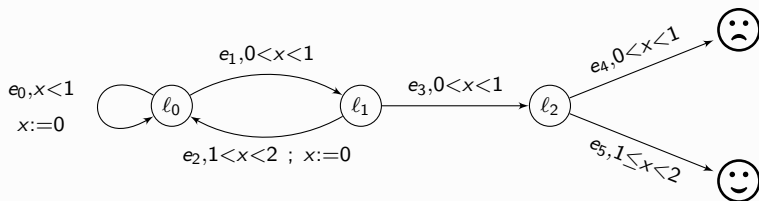
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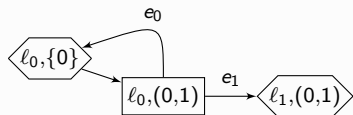
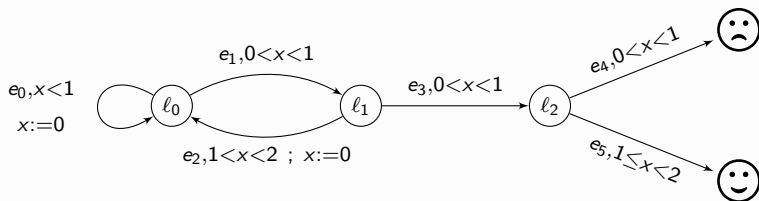
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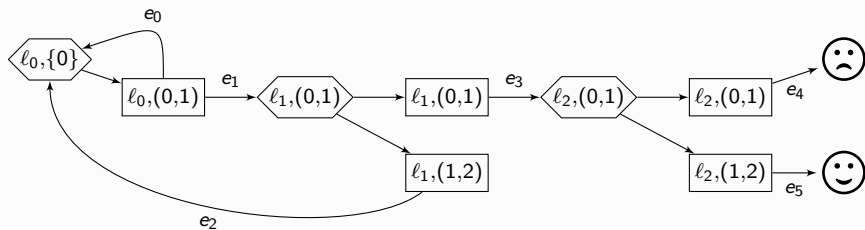
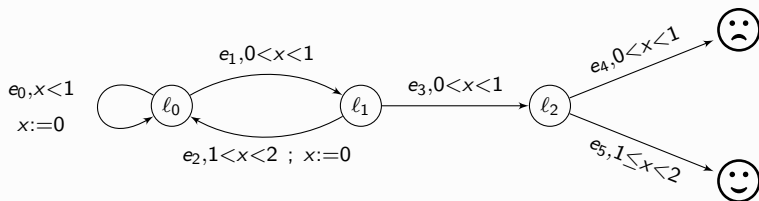
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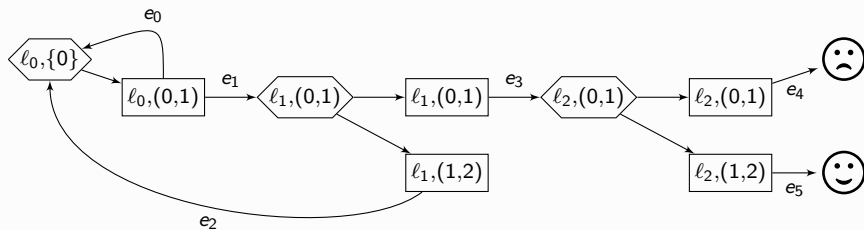
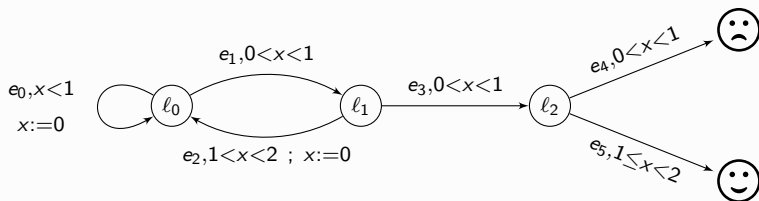
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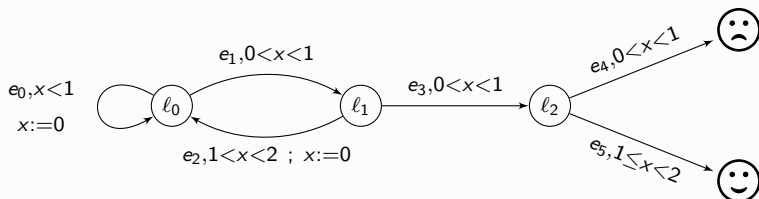
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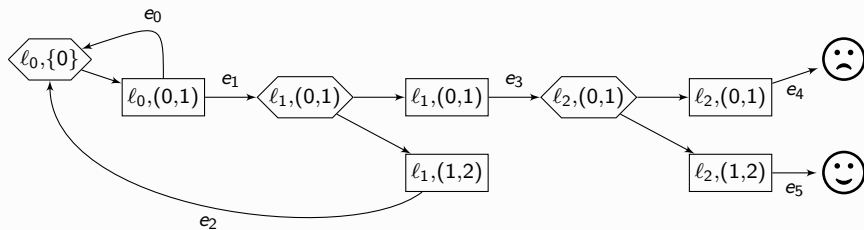
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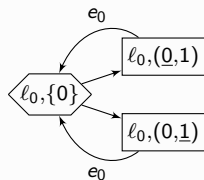
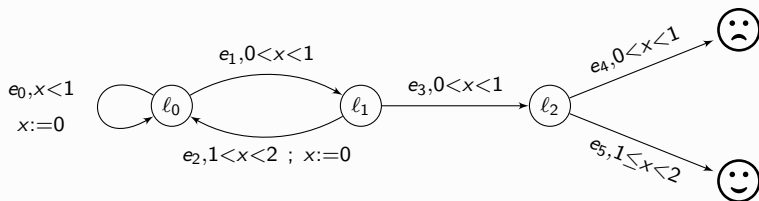
The region MDP is too coarse: ε -optimal strategies are not region uniform.



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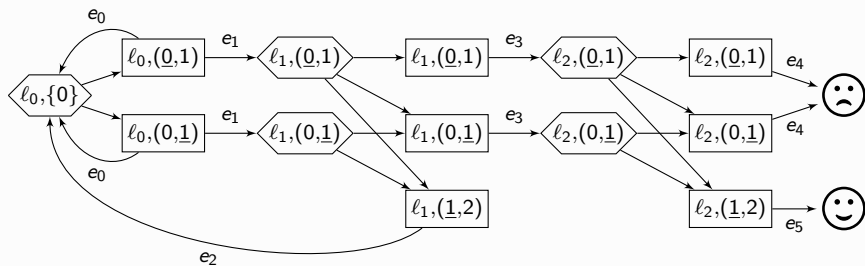
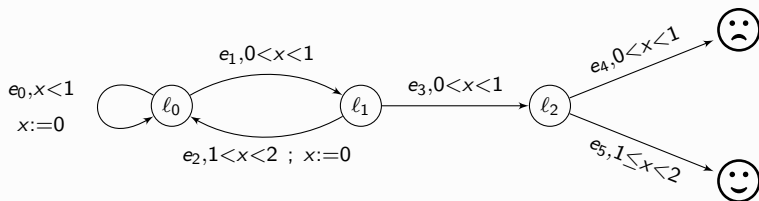
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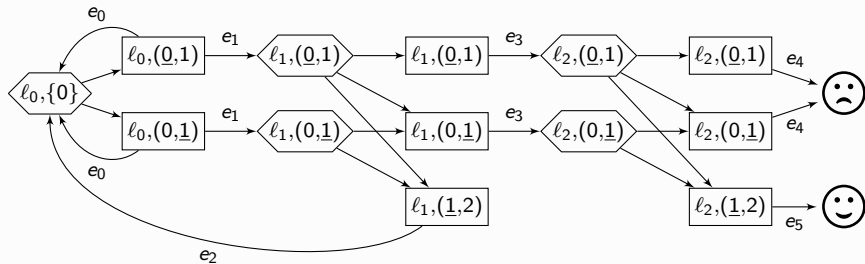
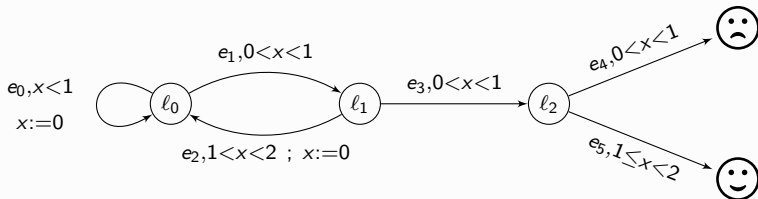
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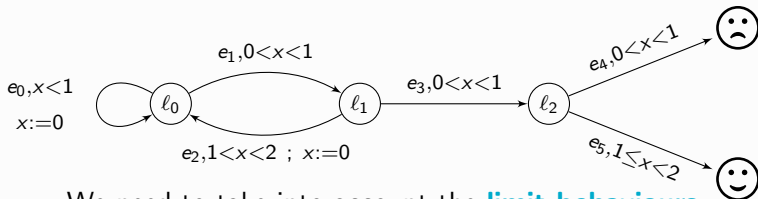
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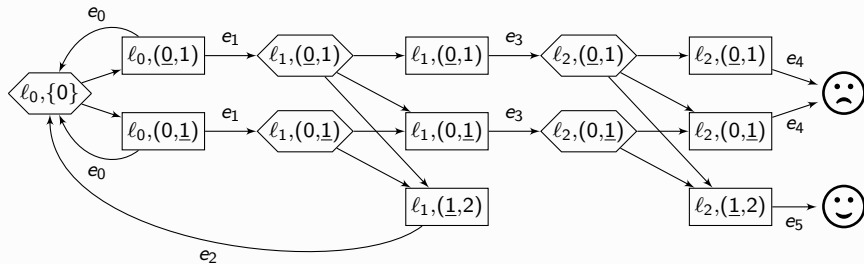
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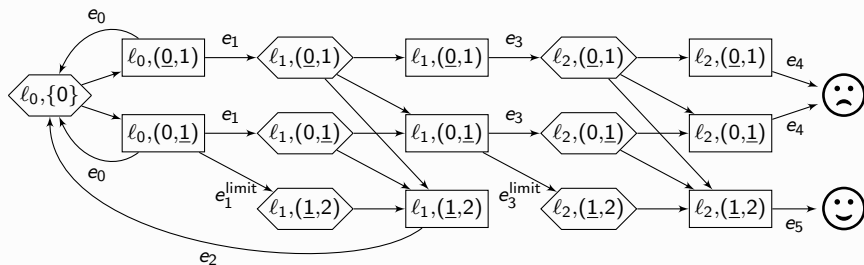
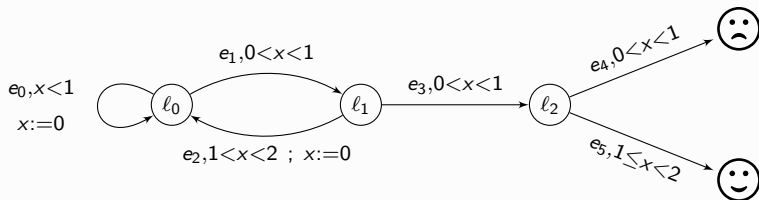
We need to take into account the **limit behaviours**.



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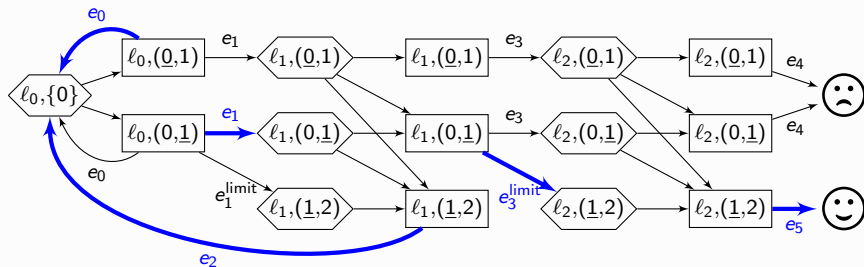
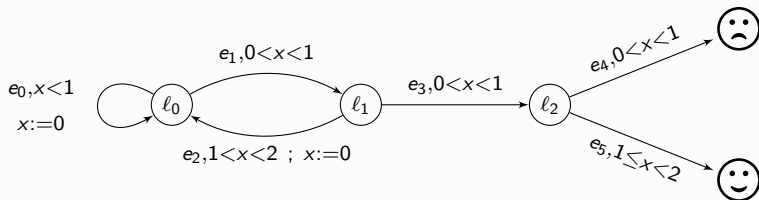
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The limit corner-point MDP

When do we add limit-edges ?

$$\mathcal{A} = (L, \ell_0, E, \mathcal{I}, \mu) \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{A}_{\text{cp}} = (\mathcal{S}, \mathbf{s}_0, \text{Act}, \Delta)$$

- $\mathcal{S} = \{[\ell, \mathbf{r}] \mid \ell \in L, \mathbf{r} \in \mathbf{R}\} \cup \{\langle \ell, \mathbf{r} \rangle \mid \ell \in L, \mathbf{r} \in \mathbf{R}\}$, where \mathbf{R} is the set of **pointed region**, i.e. of the form $\{a\}$, (\underline{a}, b) or (a, \underline{b}) .
- $\text{Act} = E \cup E^{\text{limit}}$, where E^{limit} is a copy of E ;
- Δ consists of the following transitions:
 - $\langle \ell, \mathbf{r} \rangle \xrightarrow{\tau} [\ell, \mathbf{r}']$ if $\mathbf{r} \leq \mathbf{r}'$ (not negligible), the probabilities are uniform;
 - $[\ell, \mathbf{r}] \xrightarrow{e} \langle \ell', \{0\} \rangle$ if $e = (\ell, g, \{x\}, \ell') \in E$, and $\mathbf{r} \models g$;
 - $[\ell, \mathbf{r}] \xrightarrow{e} \langle \ell', \mathbf{r} \rangle$ if $e = (\ell, g, \emptyset, \ell') \in E$, and $\mathbf{r} \models g$;
 - $[\ell, \mathbf{r}] \xrightarrow{e^{\text{limit}}} \langle \ell', \mathbf{r}' \rangle$ if $\mathbf{r} \in \mathbf{R}_{\text{right}}$, $e = (\ell, g, \emptyset, \ell') \in E$, $\mathbf{r} \models g$, \mathbf{r}' is the **immediate open successor of \mathbf{r}** , and $\mathbf{r}' \models \mathcal{I}(\ell')$.

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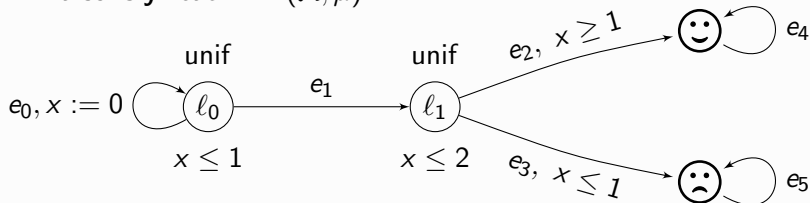
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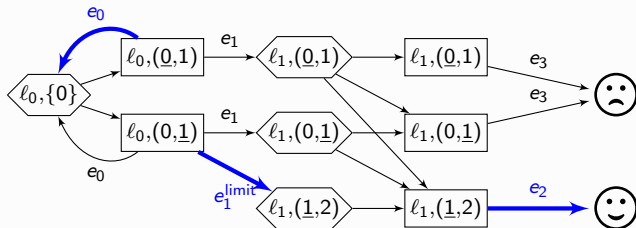
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Back to the first example

\mathcal{F} is **limit-surely** reach. in (\mathcal{A}, μ)



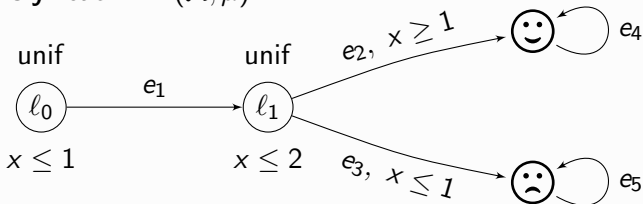
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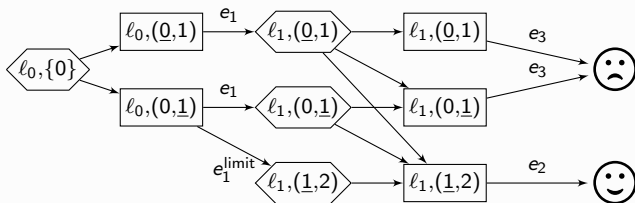
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A variation of the first example

F is **not** limit-surely reach. in (\mathcal{A}, μ)



\mathcal{F} is **not** almost-surely reach. in \mathcal{A}_{cp} .



Proof of the main result (I)

Proposition

Let (\mathcal{A}, μ) be a DSTA and \mathcal{A}_{cp} its limit corner-point MDP.

Let s_0 be a state \mathcal{A} , $F \subseteq L$, and \tilde{s}_0, \mathcal{F} their counterpart in \mathcal{A}_{cp} .

If F is **limit-surely** reachable from s_0 in (\mathcal{A}, μ) ,
then \mathcal{F} is **almost-surely** reachable from \tilde{s}_0 in \mathcal{A}_{cp} .

Proof of the main result (II)

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Classical algorithm on MDPs

Computing the set of states reaching \mathcal{F} almost-surely

- **Init:** $\mathcal{W} := \mathcal{S}_{\square}$, for every $\mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{S}_{\square}$, $\text{Safe}(\mathbf{s}) := \text{Enabled}(\mathbf{s})$.

- Perform steps 1 and 2 until convergence.

Step 1: $\mathcal{W} := \mathcal{W} \setminus \{[\ell, \mathbf{r}] \mid [\ell, \mathbf{r}] \not\equiv \mathcal{W} \exists \mathcal{U} \mathcal{F}\}$

Step 2:

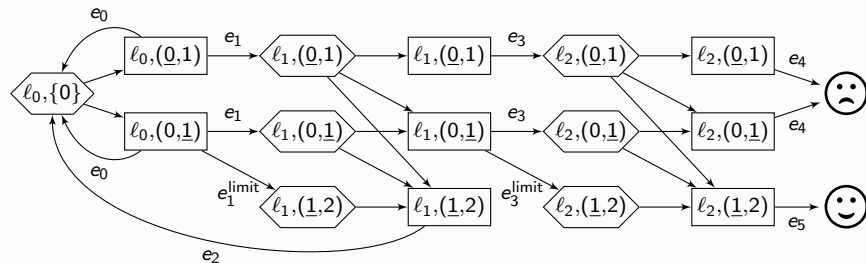
- $\text{Safe}([\ell, \mathbf{r}]) = \text{Safe}([\ell, \mathbf{r}]) \setminus \{e \mid \exists \mathbf{r}'' \text{ s.t. } [\ell, \mathbf{r}] \xrightarrow{e} \langle \ell', \mathbf{r}' \rangle \rightarrow [\ell', \mathbf{r}''] \notin \mathcal{W}\}$
- $\mathcal{W} := \mathcal{W} \setminus \{[\ell, \mathbf{r}] \mid \text{Safe}([\ell, \mathbf{r}]) = \emptyset\}$.

- **Return** $(\mathcal{W}, \text{Safe})$.

\mathcal{W} is the set of the winning states, $\text{Safe}(\mathbf{w})$ is the set of safe actions.

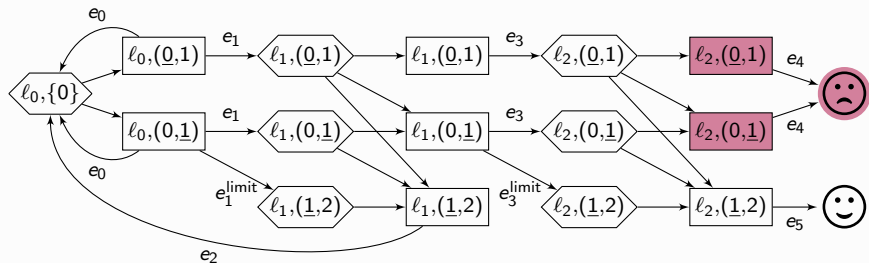
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Applying the MDPs algorithm



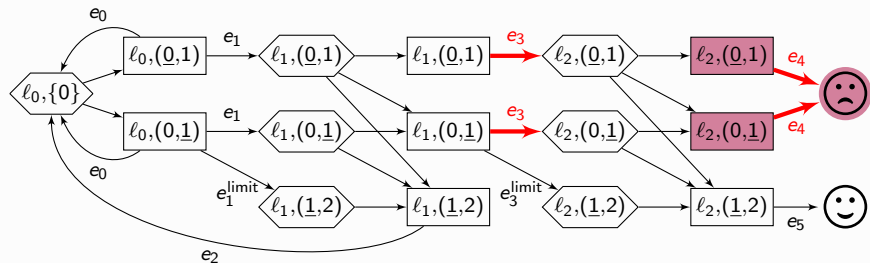
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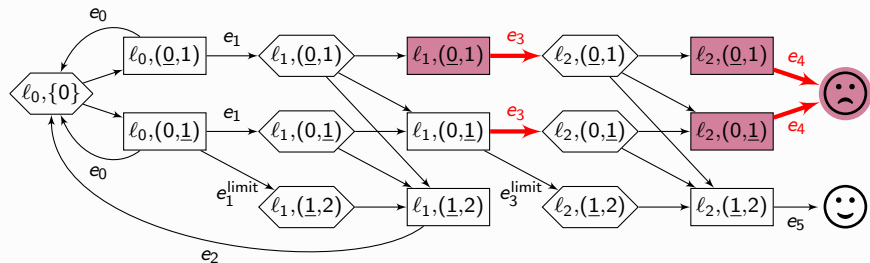
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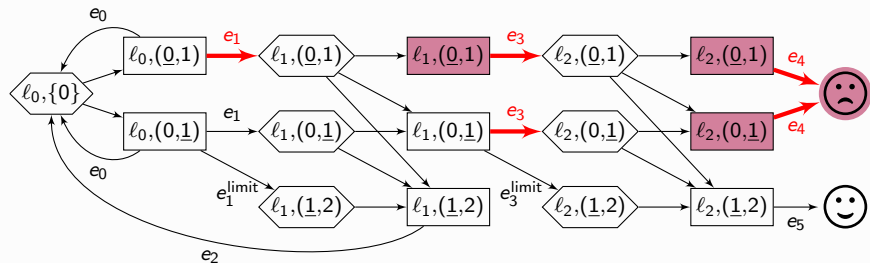
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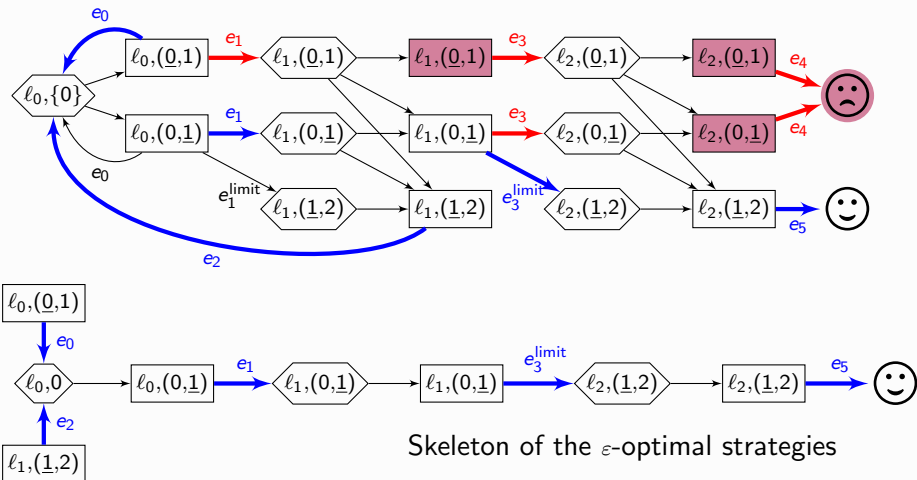
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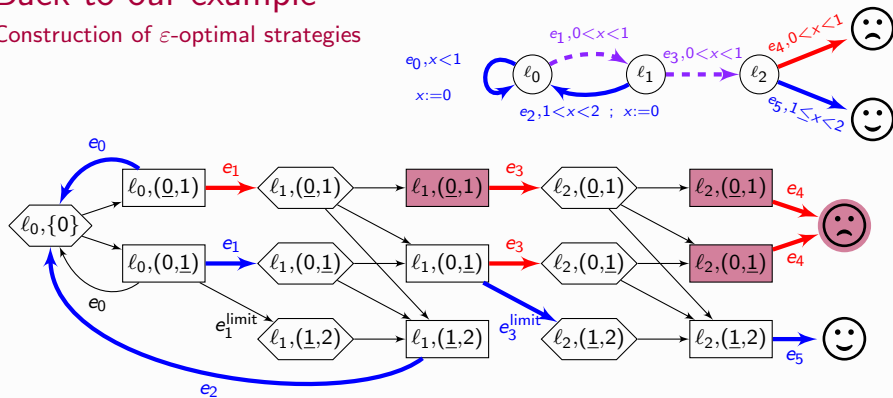
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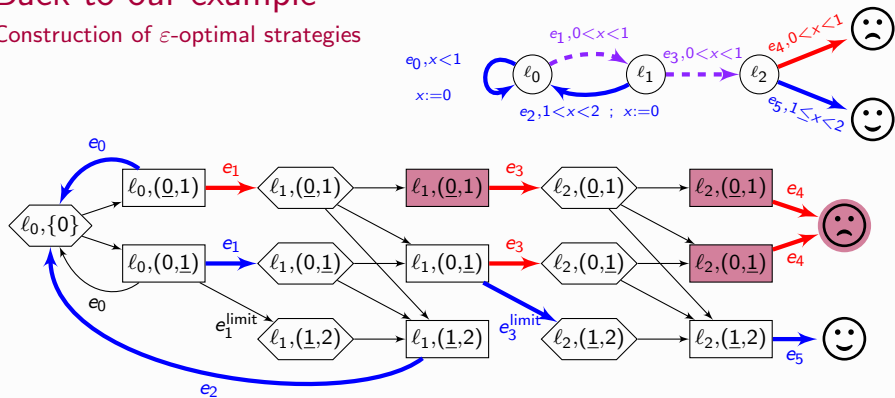


Roughly speaking, in the DSTA:

- Playing edges corresponding to **non-limit edges** is **safe**.
- Playing edges corresponding to **limit edges** is **risky**.

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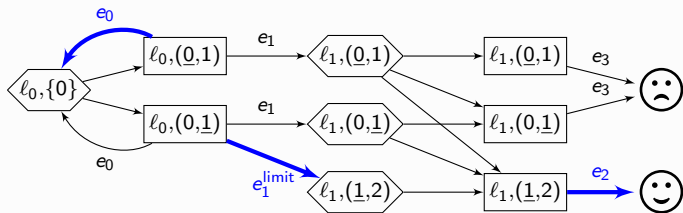
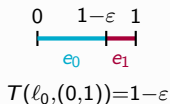
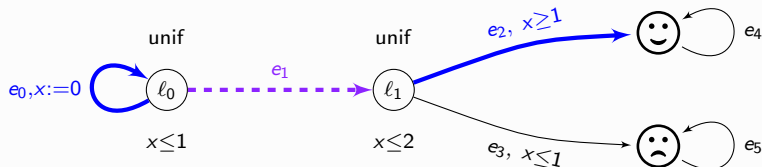


For every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $T : L \times R \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ and a strategy σ_T

- For every $\mathbf{s} \in \tilde{\mathcal{W}}_T$, $\mathbb{P}_{\sigma_T}^{\mathcal{A}}(\mathbf{s} \models \diamond(F \cup S_T^{\text{right}})) = 1$
- if $\sigma_T(\mathbf{s}) \in E^{\text{limit}}$ then $\mathbb{P}_{\sigma_T}^{\mathbf{s}}(\bigcirc \tilde{\mathcal{W}}_T) \geq 1 - \varepsilon$, else $\mathbb{P}_{\sigma_T}^{\mathbf{s}}(\bigcirc \tilde{\mathcal{W}}_T) = 1$.

About the construction of T

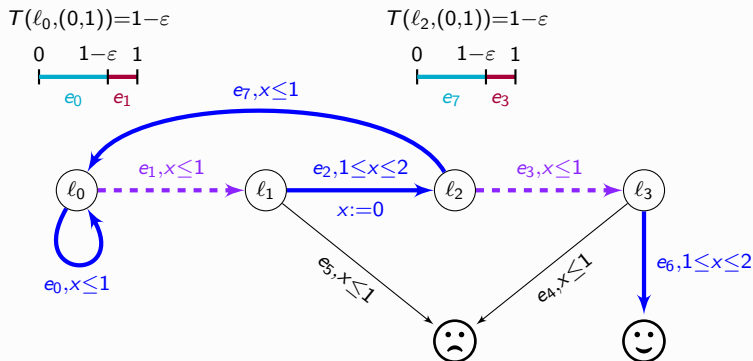
A simple case



$$\sigma_T(l_0, \nu) = \begin{cases} e_0 & \text{if } \nu < 1 - \epsilon \\ e_1 & \text{if } \nu \geq 1 - \epsilon \end{cases} \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \mathbb{P}_{\sigma_T}^{\text{so}}((\mathcal{A}, \mu) \models \diamond \text{😊}) \geq 1 - \epsilon.$$

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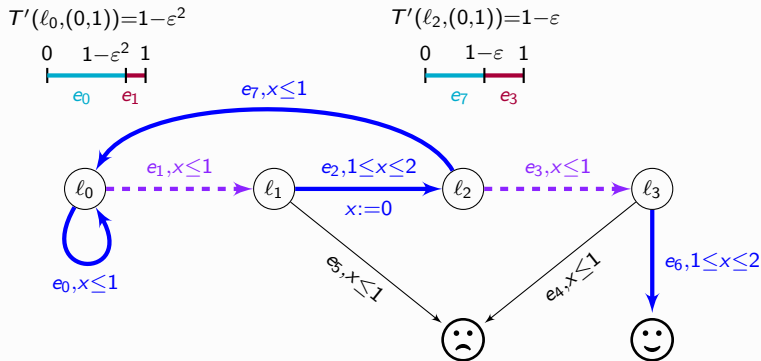
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However, $\textcircled{\smile}$ is limit-surely reachable from $[\ell_0, 0]$, needs T' .

Conclusion and future work

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- Algorithm in PTime for the almost-sure reachability problem on one-clock DSTA
- Algorithm in PTime for the limit-sure reachability problem on one-clock DSTA
- A symbolic representation of one-clock DSTA via finite MDP.

■ Future work

- Other winning conditions (Büchi,...)
- Consider the $2-\frac{1}{2}$ players framework.
- ...