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### **Hyperproperties**



#### Definition

A Hyperproperty  $H \subseteq 2^{TR}$  is a set of sets of execution traces [Clarkson, Schneider, '10].

#### Example

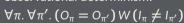
trace equality: "All traces agree on a proposition p." observational determinism: "A program appears deterministic to low security users." noninterference, generalized noninterference, noninference, declassification, ...

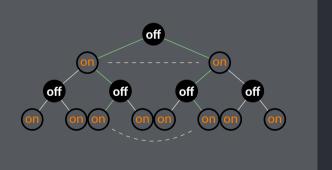
# A Logical Approach to Information-Flow Control

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

#### **HyperLTL**

- LTL + explicit trace quantification:  $\exists \pi. \exists \pi'. \square on_{\pi} \land \square \neg on_{\pi'}$ satisfiable by  $\{\{on\}^{\omega}, \{off\}^{\omega}\}$
- trace equality:  $\forall \pi. \forall \pi'. \Box (on_{\pi} \longleftrightarrow on_{\pi'})$
- observational determinism:





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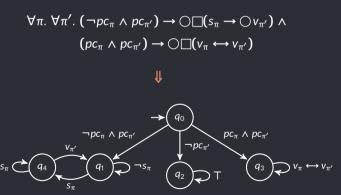
#### Overview

- 1. monitor construction
- 2. two techniques to make monitoring of hyperproperties feasible in practice:
  - Trace Analysis: exploits a dominance relation between traces
  - Specification Analysis: exploits symmetry, transitivity, and reflexivity in the specification

- conference management system with author and pc traces
- no paper submission is lost:
  - every submission (s) is visible (v) to every pc member
  - when comparing two pc traces, they have to agree on v

$$\forall \pi. \ \forall \pi'. \ (\neg pc_{\pi} \land pc_{\pi'}) \rightarrow \bigcirc \square (s_{\pi} \rightarrow \bigcirc v_{\pi'}) \land \tag{1}$$

$$(pc_{\pi} \land pc_{\pi'}) \rightarrow \bigcirc \square (v_{\pi} \longleftrightarrow v_{\pi'})$$
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• finite alphabet  $\Sigma = 2^{AP \times \mathcal{V}}$ 

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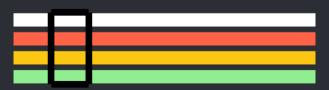


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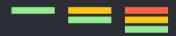
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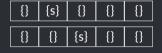


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Trace Analysis: discard traces that are dominated by other traces

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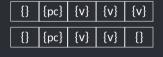
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## **Trace Analysis**

#### **Definition (Trace Redundancy)**

- HyperLTL formula  $\varphi$
- trace set T

a trace t is  $(T, \varphi)$ -redundant if

T is a model of  $\varphi$  if and only if  $T \cup \{t\}$  is a model of  $\varphi$ 

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## **Dominance Checking**

- HyperLTL formula  $\varphi$
- traces t and t'
- monitor template  $\mathcal{M}_{\omega}$

t' dominates t if and only if  $\bigwedge_{\pi \in \mathcal{V}} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{\varphi}[t'/\pi]) \subseteq \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{\varphi}[t/\pi])$ 

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## Storage Minimization Algorithm

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input: HyperLTL formula \varphi, redundancy free trace set T, trace t
output:redundancy free set of traces T_{min} \subseteq T \cup \{t\}
\mathcal{M}_{\varphi} = \text{build template}(\varphi)
foreach t' \in T do
    if t' dominates t then
         return T
    end
end
foreach t' \in T do
    if t dominates t' then
        T := T \setminus \{t'\}
    end
end
return T \cup \{t\}
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## **Specification Analysis**

Basic Idea: We use the HyperLTL-Sat solver EAHyper [Finkbeiner, H., Stenger, '17] to check whether HyperLTL formulas are symmetric, transitive or reflexive.

- Symmetry: we omit at least half of the monitor instantiations
- Transitivity: we reduce the instantiations to two
- Reflexivity: we omit the reflexive monitor instantiation

#### Symmetry - Example

For observational determinism

$$\forall \pi. \ \forall \pi'. \ (O_{\pi} = O_{\pi'}) \ W (I_{\pi} \neq I_{\pi'})$$

we check whether the following formula is valid:

$$\forall \pi. \ \forall \pi'. \ (O_{\pi} = O_{\pi'}) \ W \ (I_{\pi} \neq I_{\pi'})$$

$$\longleftrightarrow (O_{\pi'} = O_{\pi}) \ W \ (I_{\pi'} \neq I_{\pi})$$

⇒ we can omit the symmetric monitor instantiations

#### **Transitivity - Example**

For output-equality

$$\forall \pi. \, \forall \pi'. \, O_{\pi} = O_{\pi'}$$

we check whether the following formula is valid:

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

⇒ it is sufficient to store one reference trace

#### Reflexivity - Example

For observational determinism

$$\forall \pi. \forall \pi'. (O_{\pi} = O_{\pi'}) W (I_{\pi} \neq I_{\pi'})$$

we check whether the following formula is valid:

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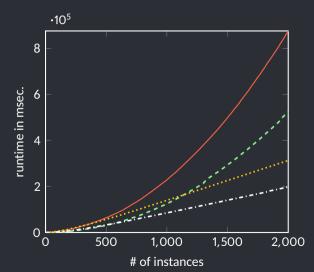
⇒ we can omit the reflexive monitor

## **Experiments**

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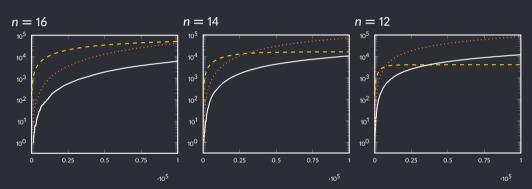
- naive monitoring approach
- trace analysis
- specification analysis
- combination of both

runtime on randomly generated traces



#### **Experiments: Trace Analysis**

$$\forall \pi. \ \forall \pi'. \ \Box_{\leq n} (I_{\pi} = I_{\pi'}) \rightarrow \Box_{\leq n+c} (O_{\pi} = O_{\pi'})$$



- absolute numbers of violations
- number of instances stored
- number of instances pruned

# **Experiments: Specification Analysis**

		symm	trans	refl
ObsDet1	$\forall \pi. \forall \pi'. \ \Box (I_{\pi} = I_{\pi'}) \rightarrow \Box (O_{\pi} = O_{\pi'})$	✓	Х	✓
ObsDet2	$\forall \pi. \forall \pi'. (I_{\pi} = I_{\pi'}) \rightarrow \Box (O_{\pi} = O_{\pi'})$	✓	Х	✓
ObsDet3	$\forall \pi. \forall \pi'. (O_{\pi} = O'_{\pi}) \mathscr{W} (I_{\pi} \neq I'_{\pi})$	✓	Х	✓
QuantNoninf	$\forall \pi_0 \dots \forall \pi_c. \ \neg ((\bigwedge_i I_{\pi_i} = I_{\pi_0}) \land \bigwedge_{i \neq j} O_{\pi_i} \neq O_{\pi_j})$	✓	Х	<b>✓</b>
EQ	$\forall \pi. \forall \pi'. \square (a_{\pi} \longleftrightarrow a_{\pi'})$	✓	✓	✓
ConfMan	$\forall \pi \forall \pi'. ((\neg pc_{\pi} \land pc_{\pi'}) \rightarrow \bigcirc \Box (s_{\pi} \rightarrow \bigcirc v_{\pi'}))$ $\land ((pc_{\pi} \land pc_{\pi'}) \rightarrow \bigcirc \Box (v_{\pi} \leftrightarrow v_{\pi'}))$	X	х	Х

- preprocessing can be done in a couple of seconds with EAHyper
- saves tremendous amount of time during the monitoring process

#### **Summary**

monitoring hyperproperties in theory:



- monitoring hyperproperties in practice:
  - Trace Analysis: exploits a dominance relation between traces
  - Specification Analysis: exploits symmetry, transitivity, and reflexivity in the specification

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## Monitorability

#### **Theorem**

Given a HyperLTL formula  $\varphi = \forall \pi_1 \dots \forall \pi_k. \psi$ , where  $\psi \not\equiv$  true is an LTL formula.  $\varphi$  is monitorable if, and only if,  $\forall u \in \Sigma^*_{\gamma'}. \exists v \in \Sigma^*_{\gamma'}. uv \in bad(\mathcal{L}(\psi))$ .

#### **Theorem**

Given an alternation-free HyperLTL formula  $\varphi$ . Deciding whether  $\varphi$  is monitorable is PSpace-complete.

#### **Finite Trace Semantics**

$$t[i,j] = \begin{cases} \epsilon & \text{if } i \geq |t| \\ t[i,min(j,|t|-1)], & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\Pi_{fin} \models_{T} a_{\pi} & \text{if } a \in \Pi_{fin}(\pi)[0] \\ \Pi_{fin} \models_{T} \neg \varphi & \text{if } \Pi_{fin} \not\models_{T} \varphi \\ \Pi_{fin} \models_{T} \varphi \vee \psi & \text{if } \Pi_{fin} \models_{T} \varphi \text{ or } \Pi_{fin} \models_{T} \psi \\ \Pi_{fin} \models_{T} \bigcirc \varphi & \text{if } \Pi_{fin}[1,\ldots] \models_{T} \varphi \\ \Pi_{fin} \models_{T} \varphi \cup \psi & \text{if } \exists i \geq 0.\Pi_{fin}[i,\ldots] \models_{T} \psi \wedge \forall 0 \leq j < i.\Pi_{fin}[j,\ldots] \models_{T} \varphi \\ \Pi_{fin} \models_{T} \exists \pi.\varphi & \text{if there is some } t \in T \text{ such that } \Pi_{fin}[\pi \mapsto t] \models_{T} \varphi \end{cases}$$

#### Alternation

$$\bigwedge_{N\in T^n} \bigvee_{M\in T^m} \text{check if } \mathscr{M}_{\varphi} \text{ accepts } N\times M \text{ , and } \\ \bigvee_{M\in T^m} \bigwedge_{N\in T^n} \text{check if } \mathscr{M}_{\varphi} \text{ accepts } M\times N \text{ , respectively.}$$