

A Markov Reward Model Checker

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Verification of Markov Reward Models

MRLMs are underneath:

- Reward extensions of stochastic process algebras
- Stochastic reward nets
- Etc.

Rewards:

- **State** rewards
- **Impulse** rewards

[▶ Example](#)

Logics:

PRCTL - Probabilistic Reward Computation Tree Logic,
 $PCTL \subset PRCTL$.

CSRL - Continuous Stochastic Reward Logic,
 $CSL \subset CSRL$.

Allowed properties

PRCTL extends PCTL with:

- 1 The expected reward rate at a time instant
- 2 The long-run expected reward rate per time unit
- 3 The instantaneous reward at a time instant
- 4 The expected accumulated reward at a time instant

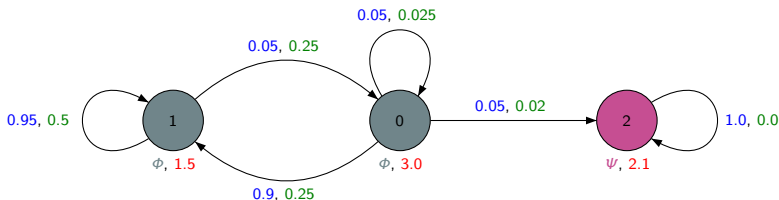
CSRL extends CSL with

- 1 **PRCTL**
- 2 The probability to reach one of the goal states (via indicated allowed states) within time t while having earned an accumulated reward that does not exceed r is larger than p

Examples

Example: PRCTL

$\mathcal{Y}_{[2,5]}^3 \phi$ - the expected accumulated cost in ϕ -states within 3 hops is between 2 and 5



Example: CSRL

$\mathcal{P}_{\geq 0.3}(\phi \mathcal{U}_{(23, \infty)}^{\leq 4} \psi)$ - a ψ -state is reached with probability at least 0.3 in at most 4 time units along an ϕ -path with total cost > 23

Implementation

Algorithms:

Sparse matrix - compressed row, compressed column

PCTL - (Hansson and Jonsson, 1994)

PRCTL - (Andova et al., 2003)

CSL - (Baier et al., 2003)

CSRL - Discretization (Tijms and Veldman, 2000),
Uniformization (Qureshi and Sanders, 1996)

Improvements:

- Search for bottom strongly connected components
- On-the-fly steady state detection
- Path graph representation

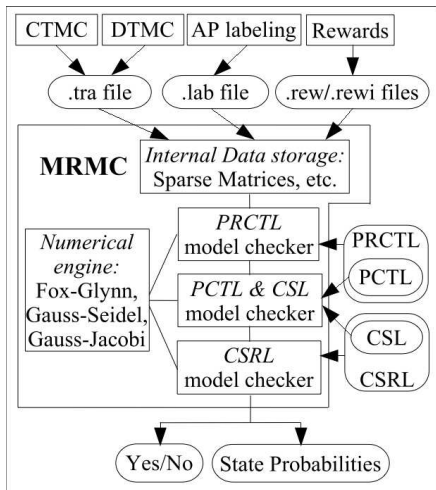
A command-line tool

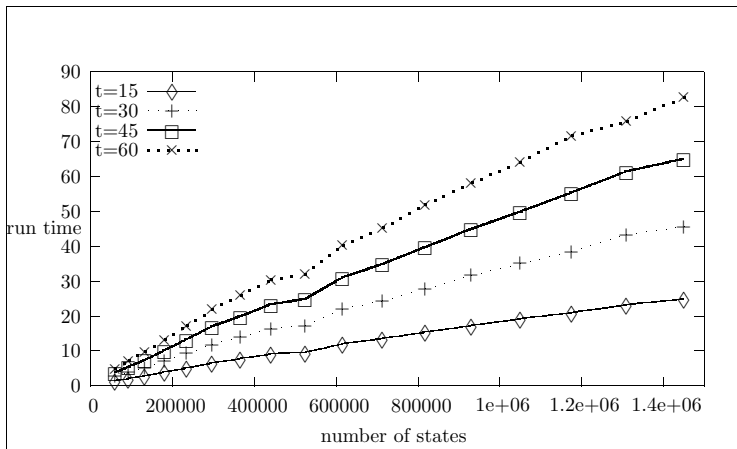
Input files:

- `.tra` - the probability/rate matrix
- `.lab` - the state-labeling
- `.rew` - the state rewards
- `.rewi` - the impulse rewards

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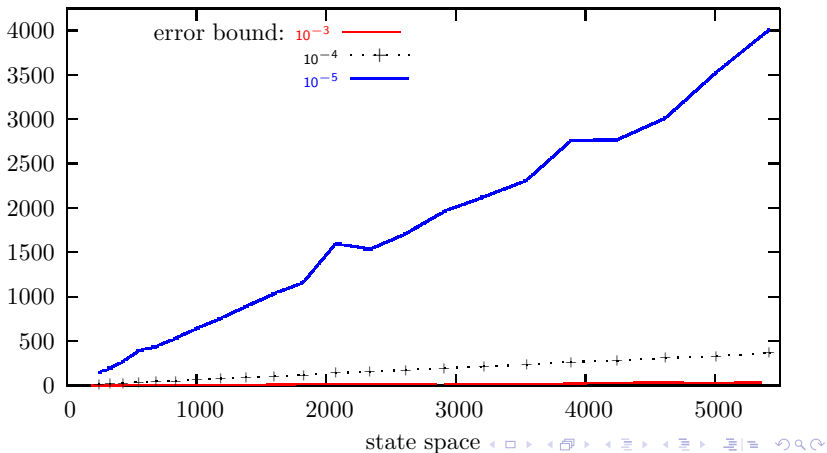
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Space Occupied:: 1424 Bytes.
Type 'help' to get help.
>>P{>0.1}[ Sup U[0,50][0,3000] failed ]
State = 0, Probability = 5.087386e-03, Error Bound = 5.325909e-10
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9.99999999958522e-01, 9.99999999958522e-01,
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time to compute: 953 micro sec(s)
states = {3, 4, 5, }
>>quit
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CSL logic: $\Phi \cup^{[0,t]} \psi$ 

CSRL logic: $\Phi U_{[0,r]}^{[0,t]} \Psi$

computation time (in s)



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