Automated Analysis of Parametric Timing-Based Mutual Exclusion Algorithms

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Abstract. Deadlock-free algorithms that ensure mutual exclusion crucially depend on timing assumptions. In this paper, we describe our experience in automatically verifying mutual-exclusion and deadlock-freedom of the Fischer and Lynch-Shavit algorithms, using the model checker modulo theories MCMT. First, we explain how to specify timing-based algorithms in the MCMT input language as symbolic transition systems. Then, we show how the tool can verify all the safety properties used by Lynch and Shavit to establish mutual-exclusion, regardless of the number of processes in the system. Finally, we verify deadlock-freedom by following a reduction to "safety problems with lemmata synthesis" and using acceleration to avoid divergence. We also show how to automatically synthesize the bounds on the waiting time of a process to enter the critical section.

1 Introduction

In distributed systems, deadlock-free algorithms that ensure mutual exclusion crucially depend on timing assumptions. For example, the one proposed by Fischer cannot guarantee mutual exclusion when all the steps of a process do not take time in a fixed interval, while that proposed by Lynch and Shavit [15] guarantees that mutual exclusion is never violated even when the timing constraints are not satisfied. As witnessed by the pen-and-paper proofs in [15], the verification of such a class of algorithms is a subtle and time-consuming activity. This is so because of the following two main difficulties. First, the verification should be done regardless of the number n of processes in the systems, i.e., it must be *parametric* in n. Second, the waiting time of a process to enter the critical section is usually specified by means of a linear polynomial that is *parametric* in c_1 and c_2 , where $[c_1, c_2]$ is the interval time in which any other step can be executed. Hence, for such a class of timing-based systems, there are two meanings of the word "parametric". This, in turn, implies that these systems have (at least) two dimensions along which they are infinite state. To overcome these difficulties, we first introduce a class of symbolic transition systems, called *parameterized timed systems*, that support the declarative specification of timing-based systems that are parametric in both the number of processes and the timing-constraints (Section 2) by using certain classes of formulae. We also sketch how the three algorithms for mutual exclusion in [15] can be formally described as parameterized timed systems (Section 4). Then, we explain how to automatically solve reachability problems for parametric timed systems by using the Model Checker Modulo Theories (MCMT) [11] (Section 3). The tool uses Satisfiability Modulo Theories (SMT) techniques that cope with both kinds of parameters uniformly. Although the reachability problem for parameterized timed systems is undecidable, our experiments show that MCMT terminates when analyzing mutual exclusion and all the other safety properties considered in [15] for all the three algorithms (Section 5). Interestingly, safety properties can also be used to automatically verify deadlock-freedom by reducing the analysis of the liveness property to reachability problems as outlined below. The key observation is that the bound on the waiting time to enter the critical section is independent of the number n of processes in the system. Thus, deadlock-freedom reduces to show that it is impossible, starting from a reachable state of the system, to reach the states where an interval of time has passed which is longer than the bound without recording the event that a process has entered the critical section. In order to make the tool converge on these new problems, we use acceleration techniques. The role of lemmata is crucial to specify invariants overapproximating the notion of a "reachable state": first (Section 6.1), we show how MCMT is able to check the invariants identified in [15] and use them as lemmata to prove deadlock-freedom. Then (Section 6.2), we explain a technique to automatically synthesize such lemmata again by using MCMT and we report about our findings in its application for the fully automated verification of deadlock-freedom.

2 Parameterized Timed Systems

The notion of parameterized time system is an extension of that of parametrised timed network in [3] with shared variables and universal conditions in the time elapsing transitions. Informally, a parameterized timed system is formed by a collection of finitely many identical processes. Each process is a finite state automaton extended with data and clock variables, that may be local or shared. There are two kinds of transitions: one modelling the passing of time (specified by incrementing the clocks of the same amount of time) and another one in which data variables are updated and a given number of processes (usually 1 or 2) synchronize and change their states simultaneously. Transitions of the first kind (called *time elapsing*) may be guarded by "universal" conditions on the values of the clocks, i.e. by predicates involving the values of a finite but unknown number of clocks. If the guard is satisfied, all the clock variables are added of the same amount of time while the values stored in the data variables are left unchanged. Universal conditions in time elapsing transitions allow us to model the so-called *location invariants*, i.e. guards forcing a process to leave a certain location before a fixed amount of time has passed. Transitions of the second kind (called *location*) are guarded by "existential" conditions on the data and clock variables, i.e. by predicates involving a finite and known number of processes. If the guard is satisfied, both the data and clock variables of the involved processes are updated; for example, the value of some clocks may be reset. Initially, all the processes are in a distinguished initial state and their clock variables are set to zero. The value of the clocks is always positive and ranges over \mathbb{R} , thereby modeling a continuous flow of the time.

In the rest of this section, we explain how parameterized timed systems can be specified in the formal framework of [10] underlying the infinite state model checker MCMT [11]. The idea is to use guarded assignment transition systems whereby state variables are functions mapping a subset of the integers (used as identifiers of the processes) to either a finite subset of the integers representing the locations of the automaton or an infinite set of time points, representing the values of the clocks. For simplicity, we provide only an abstract characterization of the fragment of the MCMT input language that will be used to specify the class of parameterized timed systems; the concrete syntax can be found in the on-line user manual available at [21].

Formalization. We use multi-sorted first-order logic extended with the ternary expression constructor "if-then-else." We consider a sort INDEX for indexes of arrays, the sorts INT and REAL for elements of arrays, ARRAYINT and ARRAYREAL for arrays indexed over INDEX and storing elements of sort INT and REAL, respectively. We assume the availability of the arithmetic symbols of Linear Arithmetic (e.g., + and \leq) and of the binary symbols $[-]_{INT}$: ARRAY_{INT}, INDEX \rightarrow INT and $[-]_{REAL}$: ARRAY_{REAL}, INDEX \rightarrow REAL to denote the array dereferencing operations (by abuse of notation, we omit the subscript INT or REAL when this is clear from the context). Semantically, we shall consider the class of structures where (i) INDEX is interpreted as a finite subset of the integers; (ii) INT is interpreted as \mathbb{Z} , **REAL** as \mathbb{R} , and the usual arithmetic symbols have their standard meanings; and (iii) $ARRAY_{INT}$ and $ARRAY_{REAL}$ are interpreted as the set of functions from a finite subset of the integers to \mathbb{Z} and \mathbb{R} , respectively, and $\lfloor - \rfloor$ is interpreted as function application. According to the SMT-LIB standard [18], a pair comprising a set of symbols and a class of structures (also called *models*) identifies a theory: the theory described above will be called PTS in the rest of the paper.

If \underline{i} is a tuple of variables of sort INDEX and \mathbf{a} a tuple of array variables, $\mathbf{a}[\underline{i}]$ is a tuple comprising all terms of the kind a[i] for $a \in \mathbf{a}, i \in \underline{i}$; when writing $\phi(\underline{i}, \mathbf{a}[\underline{i}])$, we mean that ϕ is a quantifier-free formula, that the \underline{i} 's are the only variables of sort INDEX occurring in ϕ and that all the variables of sort INT or REAL occurring in ϕ have been replaced by the terms $\mathbf{a}[\underline{i}]$ of the corresponding sorts. A \forall^{I} -formula is a formula of the kind $\forall \underline{i} \phi(\underline{i}, \mathbf{a}[\underline{i}])$ and an \exists^{I} -formula is a formula of the kind $\exists \underline{i} \phi(\underline{i}, \mathbf{a}[\underline{i}])$.

A parameterized timed system pts is a tuple

$$\langle \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{a}, Ax, I, \{L_i(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}')\}_i, E(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}') \rangle$$

where **p** is a tuple of *parameters*, **a** is a tuple of *state variables*, Ax is a finite set of *system axioms*, I is the *initial state* formula, L_i is a finite set of *location* transitions, and E is a *time elapsing* transition. (Intuitively, **a** and **a'** denote the values of the state variables immediately before and after, respectively, of the execution of a transition.) We also assume the following proviso on the components of the *pts*.

Parameters. The tuple **p** is composed of an array constant *id* of sort ARRAY_{INT} and a tuple \mathbf{p}_{r} of constants of sort REAL. The constant *id* maps indexes to a finite (unknown) set of integers to allow for indirect dereference of arrays by integers. We assume *id* to be injective—i.e., it satisfies $\forall i, j.(id[i] = id[j] \rightarrow i = j)$ —and its co-domain to be the set of positive integers—i.e., it also satisfies $\forall i.(id[i] > 0)$. In other words, *id* is a "casting" function from integers to indexes; for more details on the role of id, the reader is pointed to [4]. In the rest of the paper, for the sake of simplicity, we will simply write i in place of id[i] (this syntactic sugar is also allowed by MCMT input language) and omit to list *id* among the parameters in **p**. The fact that 0 and negative integers cannot be considered as identifiers will turn out to be useful in the specification of the algorithms considered in this paper. The constants in the tuple \mathbf{p}_r are called *real-valued parameters* and will be used to represent time bounds of a parameterized timed system which can be subject to some constraints, such as being strictly positive or one being larger than another. All the elements in \mathbf{p} do not change their values over any run of the parameterized timed system.

State variables. The tuple **a** is partitioned into two disjoint tuples **b** and **c** of sort $ARRAY_{INT}$ and $ARRAY_{REAL}$, respectively. The variables in **b** are the data variables and those in \mathbf{c} are the clock variables. Concerning data variables, we assume that there exists a distinguished variable pc, short for program counter, mapping indexes to a finite (known) set of integers that represent the control locations of an automaton. Without loss of generality, we assume pc to be constrained by $\forall i.(1 \leq pc[i] \land pc[i] \leq \ell)$ (abbreviated as $pc \in [1,\ell]$) for some given value $\ell \geq 1$ (corresponding to the number of control locations). The updates to the clock variables in \mathbf{c} model the flow of time. We assume that the tuple \mathbf{c} contains a distinguished variable pc_{clock} that measures the time a process is staying in a given location. Thus, p_{clock} is initialized to zero and reset every time the corresponding location is changed. In our framework, a shared (data or clock) variable a is modeled as a "constant" array, i.e. a is initialized and updated so that the invariant $\forall i, j.(a[i] = a[j])$ (abbreviated as global(a)) is maintained. In the rest of the paper, abusing notation, we shall write a instead of a[i] or a[j], etc. to emphasize that the exact value of the index used to dereference a constant array is immaterial.

System axioms. Constraints on parameters **p** (linear inequalities and the like) are included in the set Ax of system axioms: these axioms are added to the theory PTS and used in the satisfiability tests modulo PTS mentioned in next Section. Obvious invariants known to the user (e.g., the fact that the values of the clocks are always nonnegative, the above assertions $pc \in [1, \ell], global(a)$, etc.) can be introduced as further system axioms in MCMT specification files so that the tool can make use of them too.

Initial state formula. We assume $I(\mathbf{a})$ to be a \forall^{I} -formula.

Location transition formulae. We assume $L_i(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}')$ to be of the form

$$\exists i \left(\phi_L(i, \mathbf{a}[i]) \land \bigwedge_{a \in \mathbf{a}} a' = \lambda j. \ Upd_a(j, i, \mathbf{a}[i], \mathbf{a}[j]) \right), \tag{1}$$

where *i* is a variable of sort INDEX, ϕ_L is a conjunction of literals, and the Upd_a are functions defined by cases, i.e., by suitably nested if-then-else expressions whose conditionals are again conjunctions of literals. To keep the technicalities to a minimum and since this is sufficient for the systems considered in this paper, we consider only one existentially quantified variable *i* in (1). However, the discussion can be generalized to location transitions with two quantified variables, which are supported by MCMT and allow one to model a wide class of systems, as observed in [10].

Time elapsing transition. We assume $E(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}')$ to be of the form

$$\exists \varepsilon \ge 0 \ \left(\forall j \, \phi_G(j, \mathbf{a}[j], \varepsilon) \land \mathbf{b}' = \mathbf{b} \land \mathbf{c}' = \lambda j.(\mathbf{c}[j] + \epsilon) \right), \tag{2}$$

where ϕ_G is a quantifier free formula, ε is a variable of sort REAL, and equality of tuples of variables is interpreted as the conjunction of componentwise equalities. The universal guard $\forall j \phi_G(j, \mathbf{a}[j], \varepsilon)$ is typically used to model a location invariant.

3 Reachability for Parameterized Timed Systems

Let $\pi := \langle \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{a}, Ax, I, \{L_h(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}')\}_h, E(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}') \rangle$ be a parameterized timed system and $U(\mathbf{a})$ be an \exists^I -formula, i.e., a formula of the form $\exists \underline{i}.\phi(\underline{i}, \mathbf{a}[\underline{i}])$. Assuming that the unsafe formula is an \exists^I -formula allows us to express the complement of a large class of safety properties as these can usually be encoded as \forall^I -formulae. For example, if location 4 is the critical section location, the set of unsafe states violating the mutual exclusion property can be expressed by the \exists^I -formula $\exists i_1, i_2.(i_1 \neq i_2 \land pc[i_1] = 4 \land pc[i_2] = 4)$, saying that two distinct processes are in the critical section at the same time.

Given π and $U(\mathbf{a})$, the symbolic backward reachability procedure iteratively computes the set of backward reachable states $BR(\mathbf{a})$ as follows. Preliminarily, let us put $\tau(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}') := \bigvee_h L_h(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}') \vee E(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}')$; define also (for $n \ge 0$) the *n*-preimage of a formula $K(\mathbf{a})$ as

$$Pre^0(\tau, K) := K$$
 and $Pre^{n+1}(\tau, K) := Pre(\tau, Pre^n(\tau, K)),$

where $Pre(\tau, K) := \exists \mathbf{a}'.(\tau(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}') \wedge K(\mathbf{a}'))$. Intuitively, $Pre^n(\tau, U)$ describes the set of backward reachable states in $n \geq 0$ steps. At the *n*-th iteration, the backward reachability procedure computes the formula $BR^n(\tau, U) := \bigvee_{i=0}^n Pre^i(\tau, U)$ representing the set of states which are backward reachable from the states in U with at most n steps. While computing $BR^n(\tau, U)$, the procedure also checks whether the system is unsafe by establishing if the formula $I \wedge Pre^n(\tau, U)$ is satisfiable modulo PTS (safety test) or whether a fix-point has been reached by checking if $(BR^n(\tau, U) \rightarrow BR^{n-1}(\tau, U))$ is PTS-valid or, equivalently, if the formula $BR^n(\tau, U) \wedge \neg BR^{n-1}(\tau, U)$ is PTS-unsatisfiable (fix-point test). If a safety test is positive, the procedure returns UNSAFE; if this does not happen and a fixed point is reached, the procedure returns SAFE.

The essential requirement in order to mechanize the procedure (which might be non-terminating for various known general reasons) is the closure of \exists^{I} formulae under preimage computation. In this way, in fact, a formula in the sequence $BR_0, BR_1...$, is an \exists^I -formula and we need to check the satisfiability of conjunctions of \exists^{I} - and \forall^{I} -formulae, which is decidable by using a general result in [10]. Let K be an \exists^{I} formula; while it is easy to show that Pre(L, K) is equivalent to an \exists^{I} -formula for any location transition L, it is unfortunately impossible to prove it for Pre(E, K). Although the existential variable ε can be eliminated by using a standard quantifier-elimination procedure for Linear Real arithmetic, the main difficulty is posed by the universal guard in (2), namely $\forall j.\phi_G(j, \mathbf{a}[j], \epsilon)$. In fact, it is known (see, e.g., [2]) that universal conditions are difficult to analyze automatically and require approximation techniques. In MCMT, the system is approximated by using the *stopping failures* model [16] (similar to the "approximate model" of [1,2]). According to this model, processes can crash at any time and crashed processes remain so. In this way, the approximated system admits more runs than the original one and thus satisfies fewer safety properties. As a consequence, if the approximated system enjoys a safety property, then we are entitled to conclude that also the original system does so. In fact, establishing a safety property for the approximate system means that the system enjoys that property in a "fault-tolerant way", i.e., even in presence of failures. This will be the case for all safety properties considered in this paper and also for the deadlock freedom properties (modulo some provisoes discussed in Section 6 below). For a detailed description of how MCMT implements the stopping failures model and for information on how to check whether an unsafety trace applies to the original system, the reader is pointed to [4] (again, all unsafety traces found in the experiments of this paper can be proved to apply to the original version of the system without failures). We just point out that after moving to the stopping failures model the desired closure property of \exists^{I} -formulae under preimages holds.

4 The Lynch-Shavit Algorithm

Lynch and Shavit [15] develop a time-based algorithm for mutual exclusion by combining two other algorithms for mutual exclusion: a Lamport style asynchronous algorithm (see, e.g., [16]) and the well-known Fischer's timed mutual exclusion algorithm. The three algorithms presented in [15] consist of a finite (but unknown) number n of identical processes running concurrently. Each process is composed of four *regions* of code:

- *remainder*: the region of code not concerned with the access to critical resources;
- *trying*: the region of code where the process tries to acquire access to the critical region;
- critical: the region of code with exclusive access;
- *exit*: the region of code where the process exits from the critical region.

Process *i*:

repeat forever remainder region trying region critical region exit region end repeat



Fig. 1. The three Algorithms from [15] (code for process i): (1) Lamport's Style Mutual Exclusion; (2) Fisher's Timed Mutual Exclusion; (3) Lynch-Shavit's Combined Mutual Exclusion.

The pseudo-code of a process i belonging to the three algorithms (taken verbatim from [15]) is shown in Figure 1. Algorithm 1 is asynchronous while Algorithms 2 and 3 are timing-based: the time interval between successive steps of a process i is assumed to range in some interval of time when i is in its trying or exit region. The instruction pause(k) causes the process to delay by a number k-1of steps. Intuitively, pause(k) is equivalent to a sequence of k-1 no-operations. The idea is to choose values for time parameters in Algorithms 2 and 3 so as to guarantee the two key properties:

- Mutual Exclusion (MEX): in any reachable state, at most one process is in its *critical* region;
- Deadlock Freedom (DF): in any execution, if some process is in the *trying* region, and no process is in the *critical* region, then eventually some process enters the *critical* region.

Algorithm 1 enjoys property MEX but not DF. Two timing constraints are crucial for Algorithms 2 and 3 [15]: (**TC1**) the time interval between successive steps of a process *i* should be contained in $[c_1, c_2]$ (for $0 < c_1 \le c_2 < \infty$) when *i* is in its trying or exit region and (**TC2**) $delay \ge C = c_2/c_1$ where *C* is called the *time uncertainty*. If (**TC1**)-(**TC2**) are satisfied, then both Algorithms 2, 3 satisfy MEX and DF, otherwise Algorithm 2 satisfies only property DF and

Algorithm 3 satisfies only property MEX. Since, ideally, timing-based algorithms should guarantee mutual exclusion regardless of the timing constraints, in this sense, Algorithm 3 is better designed than Algorithms 1 and 2.

Algorithm 1 can be formalized by a parameterized timed system

$$\pi_1 := \langle \emptyset, \langle pc, x, y \rangle, \{ \texttt{global}(x), \texttt{global}(y), pc \in [1, 9] \}, I, LT_1, \emptyset \rangle$$

where $I := \forall i.pc[i] = 1 \land y = 0$ and the integers 1, ..., 9 stands for the labels 0b, ..., 0a in the pseudo-code, LT_1 contains the location transition corresponding to the various instructions in the pseudo-code. The tuple of parameters and the set of time elapsing formulae of π_1 are empty since time plays no role for an asynchronous algorithm like the Algorithm 1.

Algorithm $h \in \{2, 3\}$ is formalized by a parameterized timed system of the form $\pi_h := \langle \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{a}_h, Ax_h, I_h, LT_h, TE_h \rangle$, where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p} &:= \langle C, F, G \rangle, \quad \mathbf{a}_2 := \langle pc, pc_{clock}, x \rangle, \quad \mathbf{a}_3 := \langle pc, pc_{clock}, x, y \rangle, \\ Ax_2 &:= Ax \cup \{ pc \in [1, 9] \}, \quad Ax_3 := Ax \cup \{ pc \in [1, 13], \texttt{global}(y) \}, \\ \text{with } Ax &:= \{ G \geq F, F \geq C, C \geq 1, \texttt{global}(x), \forall i.pc_{clock}[i] \geq 0 \}, \\ I_2 &:= \forall i.pc[i] = 1 \land x = 0, \quad I_3 := \forall i.pc[i] = 1 \land x = 0 \land y = 0 , \end{aligned}$$

the location transition formulae in LT_h are derived from the pseudo-code as for Algorithm 1, the time elapsing formulae in TE_h is of the form (2), and the matrix ϕ_G of the universal guard is a conjunction of formulae of the form

$$pc[j] = q \rightarrow pc_{clock}[j] + \varepsilon \leq B_q$$
 (3)

saying that the location q has a bound B_q that cannot be violated if $pc_{clock}[j]$ is updated to $pc_{clock}[j] + \varepsilon$. (Recall that transitions of the form (1) should have set the special clock variable $pc_{clock}[j]$ to 0 as soon as the process j enters location q.) Two clarifications about the role of the parameters C, F, and G are mandatory (the full formalization of Algorithm 2 is reported in Appendix B).

First observe that, without loss of generality, it is possible to assume $c_1 = 1$: in this way we will be able to use only Linear Arithmetic constraints, as prescribed by the definition of parameterized timed system of Section 2. Thus we have $C = c_2/c_1 = c_2$. Because of the timing constraint (**TC1**), a process is forced to remain in a location belonging to the *trying* or *exit* regions for at least 1 and at most C time units. This is encoded in π_h (for $h \in \{2,3\}$) with the two following conditions (*i*)-(*ii*). Condition (*i*) adds $pc_{clock}[i] \ge 1$ to the guards of those location transition formulae that modify a control location inside the *trying* or the *exit* regions. Condition (*ii*) adds a conjuct of the form (3) to the universal guard of the time elapsing formulae with B_q set to C, for each location inside the *trying* or *exit* regions; the only exception is for the location corresponding to the *pause* instruction, i.e., line 2 in the pseudo-code of Algorithms 2 and 3.

The second clarification is about the absence of the parameter *delay* and the presence of the parameters F and G that do not occur in the pseudo-code of Algorithms 2 and 3. The idea is to replace the obvious Non-Linear Arithmetic constraint in the formulae of π_h (for $h \in \{2,3\}$) modelling *pause(delay)* with a

linear one involving F and G. In fact, the naive encoding of pause(delay) would require the use of the non-linear term delay * C to count the the number of nullary operations that the process should wait before continuing its computations. Fortunately, as observed in [15], the key property of pause(delay) is that its duration is greater than the time uncertainty C. Thus, the two additional parameters F and G are used to model the minimum and maximum time span that a process can spend inside pause(delay). In this way, the time constraint (**TC2**) is encoded in π_h (for $h \in \{2,3\}$) by adding (i) the condition $pc_{clock}[i] \ge F$ to the guard of the transition location in LT_h modifying the control location qand (ii) a conjunct of the form (3) in the universal guard of the time elapsing formulae in TE_h with B_q set to G, where q is the control location associated to the pause instruction (i.e., line 2 in the pseudo-code of Algorithms 2 and 3).

5 Automated Verification of Mutual Exclusion

We begin by reporting the results of our experiments on verifying the mutual exclusion and other safety properties of the three algorithms. All the specification files and scripts used in our experiments can be downloaded from the web page http://www.oprover.org/mcmt_lynch_shavit.html.

| Protocol | Property | Result | Time (s) | Notes |
|--------------|------------|--------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Lamport | MEX | safe | 0.04 | |
| Fischer | MEX | safe | 2.64 | T. c. specified |
| | MEX | unsafe | 3.73 | T. c. not specified |
| | MEX + I1 | safe | $(0.02 + 0.17) \ 0.19$ | Invariant added |
| Lynch-Shavit | MEX | safe | 24.39 | T. c. specified |
| | MEX | safe | 353.91 | T. c. not specified |
| | MEX abstr. | safe | 8.56 | Uses MCMT's abstraction |

Table 1. Mutual exclusion experiments. Experiments were run on an Intel i7 2.70 GHzrunning Ubuntu Linux 11.10 32-bits.

Algorithm 1. As it is clear from Table 1, MCMT verifies instantaneously the mutual exclusion (MEX) property of Algorithm 1. Although the related results are not shown in the Table, the same applies to the three properties of Lemma 3.2 of [15], which are used as helper properties to derive theorems in the original paper. We briefly discuss Property I3 because it is not a safety property. It is formulated as follows:

- I3: If y = 1 then some process *i* is not inside the *remainder* region.

Since MCMT proceeds by refutation, in order to be proved, I3 should be negated and formalized as the unsafety condition

$$y = 1 \land \forall i. (pc[i] \in \{0a, 0b\})$$

$$\tag{4}$$

which is not an existential formula, i.e., it cannot be handled directly by MCMT. However it is not difficult to build an existential formula whose negation implies the safety property represented by the negation of (4). The idea is to add a historical variable H that records the id of the process that set y to 1 last (initially H = 0); we use H to replace (4) with the weaker statement

$$y = 1 \land \exists i. (i = H \land pc[i] \in \{0a, 0b\})$$

$$(5)$$

which corresponds to the invariant

- I3': If y = 1 then the process H that set y = 1 last is not inside the remainder region.

We shall implicitly use similar tricks to transform some other safety lemma statements arising in our experiments.

Algorithm 2. As discussed in Section 4, mutual exclusion for Algorithm 2 depends on timing constraints. This is confirmed by MCMT, as reported in the rows 2-3 of Table 1. Also, it appears that checking mutual exclusion with the help of Lemma 4.1 (I1), as suggested by [15], yields a substantial performance improvement, see row 4, MEX + I1 (in order to use a Lemma, MCMT first verifies it and then adds it to the set of system axioms).

Algorithm 3. Algorithm 3 combines the previous two and guarantees both mutual exclusion (even without timing constraints) and deadlock-freedom (with timing constraints). In Table 1 we check with MCMT that Algorithm 3 has the mutual exclusion property, even without timing constraints (rows 5-6). MCMT implements only a rudimentary form of abstraction which might be used during invariant search. Since mutual exclusion for Algorithm 3 does not depend on timing information at all, one can try to ask the tool to abstract away any timing information: with this proof strategy, mutual exclusion without timing constraints is established much quicker (compare lines 7 and 6 from Table 1). We just mention that it is possible to quickly check with MCMT also other lemmata from [15], e.g., those that are used as ingredients for the proof of the deadlock-freedom property.

6 Automated Verification of Deadlock Freedom

Algorithms 2 and 3 have the deadlock freedom property: interestingly, time bounds for waiting time are *independent* on the size of the network and can be expressed as linear polynomials p(C, G) involving the parameters G and C. This raises the possibility of verifying deadlock-freedom using MCMT, even if MCMT can only accept safety problems. We first show how to do it with manual intervention and then we fully automatize the whole procedure by synthesizing both invariants and polynomial bounds.

6.1 Verification

We first suppose that we already know the linear polynomials giving the time bounds (p(C,G) = 2 * G + 5 * C for Algorithm 2 and p(C,G) = 2 * G + 9 * C for Algorithm 3); we just want to check that such bounds are correct by using MCMT. Thus we want to check that "if some process is in the trying region, and no process is in the critical region, then before p(C, G) time units have passed some process enters the critical region". The first idea is the following:

- (i) we add an absolute clock abs_{clock} and a boolean flag k to the specification (the Boolean flag k is permanently turned to true as soon as one process reaches the critical region);
- (*ii*) we initialize the system by putting $abs_{clock} := 0$, k := false, and by saying that no process is in critical region and that the process having N as an id is in the trying region (N is a new parameter of type INT subject to the constraint N > 0);
- (*iii*) we consider unsafe the states in which $abs_{clock} > p(C, G)$ and k = false.

For various reasons, the above idea is not correct (indeed MCMT returns UNSAFE if you implement it, even if the chosen bound p(C, G) is correct). We need to identify these reasons and make the suitable adjustments to our plan.

The reason for a *first adjustment* is clear: MCMT adopts the stopping failures model (due to the presence of universal quantifiers in transitions guards) and in the stopping failures model deadlock freedom does not hold (as a trivial counterexample, consider the run in which a process *i* sets the shared register *x* to *i* and then crashes, thus preventing any other process to access the critical region forever). However, crashes can be tolerated without losing deadlock freedom, provided *some key actors* do not crash: there is a limited (albeit sufficient) possibility to tell this to MCMT. Notice that, whenever MCMT adopts the stopping failures models, it automatically relativizes quantifiers to non-crashed processes (see [4] for details). Recall also that a process that crashes is crashed forever: as a consequence, *processes that are existentially quantified in the unsafety formula cannot be crashed*. Thus, the proposal is to use as unsafety formula the disjunction of the following three existential sentences:

$$\exists i_1 \exists i_2 (i_1 = N \land i_1 \neq i_2 \land x = i_2 \land k = \texttt{false} \land abs_{clock} > p(C, G)) \quad (6)$$

 $\exists i_1 (i_1 = N \land x = i_1 \land k = \texttt{false} \land abs_{clock} > p(C, G)) \tag{7}$

$$\exists i_1 (i_1 = N \land x = 0 \land k = \texttt{false} \land abs_{clock} > p(C, G)) \tag{8}$$

In this way we are guaranteed that process N (i.e., the one who was trying to access the critical region from the very beginning) does not get crashed and that, in case an undesired state is reached, it will be reached either with an uninitialized shared register or with the shared register set to the id of a non crashed process. This is much weaker than saying that there are no crash failures at all, but it is sufficient for our problems.

Still, MCMT gives UNSAFE and now comes the reason for our second adjustment: we need to constrain the initial states to be "reachable" states of our Algorithms 2 and 3. The notion of "reachable state" needs not to be definable, however we can overapproximate it by using suitable lemmata. This is in a sense the strategy of [15]: suitable lemmata describing seemingly interesting properties of the reachable states are invented, then they are formally proved and finally they are used when proving the correctness of time bounds for deadlock freedom. In our experiments, we proposed two lemmata for Algorithm 2 and three lemmata for Algorithm 3; such lemmata are checked by using MCMT itself (in a total amount of time of 8.95 sec. for Algorithm 2 and 236.51 sec. for Algorithm 3) and then they are added as system axioms to the specification file of the time bounds for deadlock-freedom (we shall see below how to automatically synthesize the lemmata). In other words, we try to prove that the deadlock-freedom property and the related time bound for the access to the critical region *apply to all the states that satisfy the lemmata we found*, independently on whether such states are really reachable or not.

But now another problem arises: MCMT diverges. In fact, termination is not guaranteed at all, because we are outside the scope of decidability results known from the literature. However, the divergence source is limited and we can fruitfully apply a well-know model checking technique, namely *acceleration* (this will be our *third and last adjustment*). The point is that the sequence of the two transitions formed by line code L (for a fixed process i) and time elapsing can be indefinitely applied: we need to insert a further transition modeling n executions of this sequence for an arbitrary n. This is definable in the format accepted by MCMT, details are shown in the Appendix A below. After this last adjustment, MCMT *is able to check the time bounds* in 80.97 sec. and in 1374.38 sec. for Algorithms 2 and 3, respectively.

6.2 Synthesis

The insertion of the accelerated transition is the only manual intervention that is actually needed. In fact, both the lemmata used to overapproximate the set of reachable states and the polynomial p(C, G) can be synthesized.

Invariant Synthesis. Suppose first the polynomial p(C, G) is fixed; let us run MCMT on our Algorithm 2 (or 3), with the unsafety formula given by the disjunction of (6)-(8) and with the initial formula $I(\mathbf{a}, abs_{clock}, k)$ given by the statement suggested in 6.1(ii), namely

$$abs_{clock} = 0 \land k = \texttt{false} \land \forall i \ (i = N \to pc[i] \in Try)$$

$$\tag{9}$$

(here $pc[i] \in Try$) abbreviates a disjunction saying that pc[i] is equal to one of the locations of the trying region). The tool returns UNSAFE by producing an \exists^{I} -formula $P := \exists \underline{i} \phi(\underline{i}, \mathbf{a}[\underline{i}], k, abs_{clock}, N)$, which means that that during the safety check the formula

$$\exists \underline{i}\phi(\underline{i}, \mathbf{a}[\underline{i}], k, abs_{clock}, N) \land I(\mathbf{a}, abs_{clock}, k)$$
(10)

is reported to be PTS-satisfiable. Now notice that (6)-(8) all contain the conjunct $i_1 = N$, which is not modified during the calculus of preimages, thus $\phi(\underline{i}, \mathbf{a}[\underline{i}], k, abs_{clock}, N)$ is of the kind $i_1 = N \wedge \psi(i_1, \underline{j}, \mathbf{a}[\underline{i}_1], \mathbf{a}[\underline{j}], k, abs_{clock}, N)$. Taking into consideration (9) and the instantiation algorithm for PTS-satisfiability given in [10], the PTS-unsatisfiability of (10) means that the formula

$$\psi(i_1, \underline{j}, \mathbf{a}[i_1], \mathbf{a}[\underline{j}], \mathtt{false}, 0, i_1) \land \bigwedge_{i \in i_1, \underline{j}} (i = i_1 \to pc[i] \in Try)$$
(11)

is not PTS-satisfiable. The idea is to check whether the negation of this formula can be used as a lemma, i.e., if it is an overapproximation of the set of reachable states. To check this, it is sufficient to run MCMT on the problem having the standard initialization of Algorithm 2 (resp. 3) and having precisely (11) as an unsafe formula. If the tool returns UNSAFE, then the bound p(C,G) is not correct, because composing the two traces leading to the unsafe sets of states, we have a counterexample showing that the time bound can be violated. If the tool returns SAFE, then we can repeat our attempt of verifying the time bound, but in the new run we add the negation of (11) as a system axiom. As a consequence, the formula (10) is not satisfiable anymore and the tool won't exit if $\exists \underline{i}\phi(\underline{i}, \mathbf{a}[\underline{i}], k, abs_{clock}, N)$ is produced. Of course, the tool may still produce an UNSAFE outcome, in which case the procedure must be repeated. In the end, provided divergence does not arise, the tool either synthesizes enough lemmata and certifies that the time bound is correct or it finds a counterexample for it. Time Bounds Synthesis. The above procedure works independently on the fact whether the time bound we suggest to the tool is correct or not, thus it is possible to use it in order to get the optimal polynomial p(C, G). In fact, what we are looking for is a linear polynomial $\alpha * C + \beta * G$ with positive integers coefficients: we can just begin with $\alpha = 1, \beta = 1$ and then increment the values with a dichotomic search as soon as we get a counterexample. The statistics of our experiments, for values close to the optimum, are reported in Table 2.

| Protocol | α, β | Bound Holds | Iterations | Time (s) |
|--------------|-----------------|-------------|------------|----------|
| | 2, 2 | NO | 1 | 62.06 |
| | 2, 4 | NO | 5 | 110.68 |
| Fischer | 2, 5 | YES | 8 | 155.56 |
| | 2, 6 | YES | 6 | 130.69 |
| | 2, 10 | YES | 3 | 51.25 |
| | 2, 2 | NO | 1 | 224.74 |
| | 2, 8 | NO | 11 | 5764.42 |
| Lynch-Shavit | 2, 9 | YES | 16 | 27995.78 |
| | 2, 10 | YES | 10 | 6935.91 |
| | 2, 14 | YES | 3 | 974.06 |

Table 2. Time bounds synthesis. The table reports the attempts of checking a polynome with given α and β coefficients. The optimal values found (2 5 for Fischer and 2 9 for Lynch-Shavit) coincide with the known theoretical optimal bounds. Experiments were run on an Intel if 2.70 GHz running Ubuntu Linux 11.10 32-bits.

7 Discussion

We have described how mutual exclusion and deadlock-freedom of a class of timing-based algorithms can be specified and automatically verified by the model checker MCMT. We have highlighted how two kinds of being parametric are supported by our framework, namely with respect to the number of processes in the system and the symbolic constants in the timing constraints. We have illustrated our approach on the Lynch-Shavit algorithm.

To the best of our knowledge, it is the first time that a formal and automatic analysis of this algorithms is performed. Key to the automated verification of deadlock-freedom is the use of acceleration (to avoid non-termination) combined with the automated synthesis of invariants to be used as lemmata in the main proof (to realize a fully automated analysis procedure).

Related Work. To the best of our knowledge, analysis techniques for the verification of parameterized systems seldom consider the two dimensions of the parameters as we do here. For example, [9, 17] consider only finite-state processes while [3] presents a method for the verification of a parametric number of timed automata with real-valued clocks. Our notion of parameterized timed systems is strictly more general than that in [9, 17] by allowing for arithmetic variables and that of [3] by allowing for location invariants (see Section 2) in timed transitions.

There is also a substantial body of work on the analysis of safety properties for parameterized systems with an arbitrary number of processes operating on bounded and unbounded variables, see, e.g., [13,14,20]. These methods are not targeted to the verification of timing-based algorithms and consider only safety properties whereas we also tackle the problem of verifying a restricted class of liveness properties. The approach in [8] uses SMT techniques to verify systems with several dimensions in the parameters but it only supports invariant checking or bounded model checking.

In [5,7,19], SAL is used to model check several timed systems. In contrast to our approach that is fully automatic, these approaches require some amount of user interaction, which is reasonable given the large size of some of the systems (especially those in [5]). The model checker Uppaal [22] is capable of automatically checking both safety and liveness of timed automata without timing parameters. An extension of Uppaal described in [12] is capable of synthesizing linear parameter constraints for the correctness of the timed automata. Both of these approaches are not parametric in the number of processes. Our approach is parametric both in the number of processes and in the time constraints but does not attempt to perform the synthesis of linear arithmetic constraints although, in principle, this would possible and we leave it to future work. Here, we focus on the automated synthesis of invariants to be used as lemmata in proving deadlock-freedom.

In our previous work on MCMT [6,10], we have only considered safety properties of parametric systems while here we verify also a restricted class of liveness properties. Furthermore, the analysis presented here is much more fine-grained than that in [6], because, for instance, specific time interval bounds are considered for each step of the protocols and not just for few relevant locations. This additional precision in the formalization significantly increases the difficulty of the verification tasks.

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A The accelerated transition

In this Appendix we discuss the formal details concerning the accelerated transitions we introduced in our experiments.

Let us analyze the following sequence of steps (in Algorithm 2 or 3): a process i with local clock $pc_{clock}[i] \geq c_1$ executes the line code L, then time has an increment by $\varepsilon \in [c_1, c_2]$, then i executes line L again, then time has another increment $\varepsilon \in [c_1, c_2]$, etc. etc. If this is done n times, the result is the following composed transition (let us call it τ_n)

$$\exists i \exists \varepsilon_1 \cdots \varepsilon_n \qquad (pc[i] = \mathbf{L} \land pc_{clock}[i] \ge c_1 \land \bigwedge_{k=1}^n c_1 \le \varepsilon_k \le c_2 \land \land \forall j \neq i \, (pc[j] \notin RM \cup \{2\} \rightarrow pc_{clock}[j] + \sum_k \varepsilon_k \le c_2) \land \land \forall j \, (pc[j] = 2 \rightarrow pc_{clock}[j] + \sum_k \varepsilon_k \le G) \land \land abs'_{clock} = abs_{clock} + \sum_k \varepsilon_k \land \land pc'_{clock} = \lambda j. (\text{if } j = i \text{ then } 0 \text{ else } pc_{clock}[j] + \sum_k \varepsilon_k))$$

(for simplicity, we omitted the updates of the arrays, like the location array pc, which are updated identically; we also generically called RM the locations in the remainder region). Now, during MCMT runs for our deadlock freedom problems, existential formulae K such that the formulae $Pre(\tau_n, K)$ are more and more informative (varying n) arise, so that backward search does not terminate. The acceleration technique consists in inserting a *single* extra transition $\bigvee_{n\geq M} \tau_n$ (for some M) in the specification file: if this operation succeeds, the termination problems caused by the preimages of the τ_n would be solved. The key question is whether *transitions* $\bigvee_{n\geq M} \tau_n$ are definable in the format allowed for MCMT transitions. An answer is supplied by the following

Proposition 1. Suppose that $c_2 > c_1$ and that $M \ge \frac{c_1}{c_2-c_1}$. Then $\bigvee_{n\ge M} \tau_n$ is equivalent to

$$\exists i \, \exists \varepsilon \ge M * c_1 \qquad (pc[i] = L \land pc_{clock}[i] \ge c_1 \land \land \forall j \ne i \, (pc[j] \notin RM \cup \{2\} \rightarrow pc_{clock}[j] + \varepsilon \le c_2) \land \land \forall j \, (pc[j] = 2 \rightarrow pc_{clock}[j] + \varepsilon \le G) \land \land abs'_{clock} = abs_{clock} + \varepsilon \land \land pc'_{clock} = \lambda j. (if j = i \, then \, 0 \, else \, pc_{clock}[j] + \varepsilon))$$

Proof. All what we need is to show for every ε that

$$\varepsilon \ge M * c_1 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \exists n \ge M \exists \varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n \in [c_1, c_2] \text{ s.t. } \varepsilon = \sum_{k=1}^n \varepsilon_k.$$

Since the right-to-left side is obvious, it is sufficient to prove the inclusion

$$[M * c_1, \infty) \subseteq \bigcup_{n \ge M} [n * c_1, n * c_2]$$
(12)

(in fact, if (12) holds, for any $\varepsilon \geq M * c_1$ there is some $n \geq M$ such that $n * c_1 \leq \varepsilon \leq n * c_2$ and we can take $\varepsilon_1 = \cdots = \varepsilon_n := \varepsilon/n$). To show (12) it is sufficient to prove that for $\tilde{n} \geq M$ the intervals $[\tilde{n} * c_1, \tilde{n} * c_2]$ and $[(\tilde{n} + 1) * c_1, (\tilde{n} + 1) * c_2]$ overlap, i.e. are such that $(\tilde{n} + 1) * c_1 \in [\tilde{n} * c_1, \tilde{n} * c_2]$. However (since c_1 is positive) $(\tilde{n} + 1) * c_1 \in [\tilde{n} * c_1, \tilde{n} * c_2]$ is equivalent to $(\tilde{n} + 1) * c_1 \leq \tilde{n} * c_2$ and to $c_1 \leq \tilde{n} * (c_2 - c_1)$, thus any $\tilde{n} \geq M$ has this property.

In our situation, we have $c_1 = 1$ and $c_2 = C$; thus Proposition 1 applies for C > 1 and $M \ge 1/(C-1)$. If we put $M := \lceil 1/(C-1) \rceil$, the above Proposition indicates an *accelerated* transition solving our divergence problem (we say that a transition is accelerated if, after adding it to the current set of transitions, the new runs that arise are obtained from old runs by replacing a sequence of steps by a single new step). Still there is the problem that the atom $\varepsilon \ge \lceil \frac{1}{C-1} \rceil$ is not linear (hence it cannot be handled by the backhand SMT solver of MCMT); in addition, the case C = 1 is not covered. In our experiments we used the transition

$$\begin{aligned} \exists i \, \exists \varepsilon \geq 1 & (pc[i] = \mathbf{L} \ \land \ pc_{clock}[i] \geq 1 \ \land \\ & \land \forall j \neq i \, (pc[j] \notin RM \cup \{2\} \rightarrow pc_{clock}[j] + \varepsilon \leq C) \land \\ & \land \forall j \, (pc[j] = 2 \rightarrow pc_{clock}[j] + \varepsilon \leq G) \ \land \\ & \land abs'_{clock} = abs_{clock} + \varepsilon \ \land \\ & \land pc'_{clock} = \lambda j. (\text{if } j = i \text{ then } 0 \text{ else } pc_{clock}[j] + \varepsilon)) \end{aligned}$$

By the above Proposition, this transition is an accelerated transition in case $1 \geq \frac{1}{C-1}$ and C > 1, that is only in case $C \geq 2$ (otherwise it may introduce spurious runs). However, since we luckily succeeded in proving time bounds for deadlock freedom in this way, these time bounds apply to the general case too (trivially, if they apply to honest and possibly spurious runs, they in particular apply to all honest runs). Notice also that whenever we check tightness of these time bounds, MCMT returns UNSAFE, hence it does not diverge and we do not need the accelerated transition at all.

B The formalization of Algorithm 2

We report the full formalization of Algorithm 2 (the Fischer protocol) as a parameterized timed system $\pi := \langle \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{a}, Ax, I, LT, TE \rangle$. We have

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{p} &:= \langle C, F, G \rangle, \\ \mathbf{a} &:= \langle pc, pc_{clock}, x \rangle, \\ Ax &:= \{G \geq F, F \geq C, C \geq 1, pc \in [1, 9], \texttt{global}(x), \forall i.pc_{clock}[i] \geq 0\}, \\ I &:= \forall i.pc[i] = 1 \land x = 0. \end{split}$$

The location transition formulae in LT are derived from the pseudo-code of Algorithm 2 and are reported in Figure 2 (the names of the locations from Figure 1 have been renamed progressively as $1, \ldots, 9$ to make comparison with location transitions easier).

The time elapsing transition TE is specified as follows:

$$\exists \varepsilon > 0. \begin{bmatrix} x' = x \land pc' = pc \land \forall j \phi_G \land \\ pc'_c = \lambda j. (pc_c[j] + \varepsilon) \end{bmatrix}$$

where ϕ_G is the conjunction of the following two conditions

$$\begin{aligned} pc[j] \neq 1 \land pc[j] \neq 4 \land pc[j] \neq 6 \land pc[j] \neq 9 \rightarrow pc_c[j] + \varepsilon \leq C \\ pc[j] = 4 \rightarrow pc_c[j] + \varepsilon \leq G \end{aligned}$$

(the two conditions give upper bounds for the time a process can stay in a location from the trying or exit region).

| | $L_1 := \exists i.$ | $\begin{bmatrix} pc[i] = 1 \land x' = x \land \\ pc' = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 2 \text{ else } pc[j]) \land \\ pc'_c = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 0 \text{ else } pc_c[j]) \end{bmatrix}$ |
|---|------------------------|---|
| | $L_2 := \exists i.$ | $\begin{bmatrix} pc[i] = 2 \land pc_c[i] \ge 1 \land x = 0 \land x' = x \land \\ pc' = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 3 \text{ else } pc[j]) \land \\ pc'_c = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 0 \text{ else } pc_c[j]) \end{bmatrix}$ |
| Algorithm 2 x: shared register, initially 0 | $L_3 := \exists i.$ | $\begin{bmatrix} pc[i] = 2 \land pc_c[i] \ge 1 \land x \neq 0 \land x' = x \land \\ pc' = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 2 \text{ else } pc[j]) \land \\ pc'_c = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 0 \text{ else } pc_c[j]) \end{bmatrix}$ |
| delay: positive integer constant repeat forever | $L_4 := \exists i.$ | $\begin{bmatrix} pc[i] = 3 \land pc_c[i] \ge 1 \land x' = i \land \\ pc' = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 4 \text{ else } pc[j]) \land \\ pc'_c = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 0 \text{ else } pc_c[j]) \end{bmatrix}$ |
| 1: remainder exit _i 2: if $x \neq 0$ then goto L; 3: $x := i$; 4: nause(delay): | $L_5 := \exists i.$ | $\begin{bmatrix} pc[i] = 4 \land pc_c[i] \ge F \land x' = x \land \\ pc' = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 5 \text{ else } pc[j]) \land \\ pc'_c = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 0 \text{ else } pc_c[j]) \end{bmatrix}$ |
| 5: if $x \neq i$ then goto L ; 6: critical entry _i 7: critical exit _i | $L_6 := \exists i.$ | $ \begin{bmatrix} pc[i] = 5 \land pc_c[i] \ge 1 \land x = i \land x' = x \land \\ pc' = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 6 \text{ else } pc[j]) \land \\ pc'_c = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 0 \text{ else } pc_c[j]) \end{bmatrix} $ |
| 8: $x := 0;$ 9: remainder entry _i end repeat | $L_7 := \exists i.$ | $\begin{bmatrix} pc[i] = 5 \land pc_c[i] \ge 1 \land x \neq i \land x' = x \land \\ pc' = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 2 \text{ else } pc[j]) \land \\ pc'_c = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 0 \text{ else } pc_c[j]) \end{bmatrix}$ |
| | $L_8 := \exists i.$ | $\begin{bmatrix} pc[i] = 6 \land pc_c[i] \ge 1 \land x' = x \land \\ pc' = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 7 \text{ else } pc[j]) \land \\ pc'_c = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 0 \text{ else } pc_c[j]) \end{bmatrix}$ |
| | $L_9 := \exists i.$ | $\begin{bmatrix} pc[i] = 7 \land pc_c[i] \ge 1 \land x' = x \land \\ pc' = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 8 \text{ else } pc[j]) \land \\ pc'_c = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 0 \text{ else } pc_c[j]) \end{bmatrix}$ |
| | $L_{10} := \exists i.$ | $ \begin{bmatrix} pc[i] = 8 \land pc_c[i] \ge 1 \land x' = 0 \land \\ pc' = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 9 \text{ else } pc[j]) \land \\ pc'_c = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 0 \text{ else } pc_c[j]) \end{bmatrix} $ |
| | $L_{11} := \exists i.$ | $\begin{bmatrix} pc[i] = 9 \land x' = 0 \land \\ pc' = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } pc[j]) \land \\ pc'_c = \lambda j. \text{ (if } j = i \text{ then } 0 \text{ else } pc_c[j]) \end{bmatrix}$ |

Fig. 2. Algorithm 2: pseudo-code and location transitions $(pc_c \text{ above abbreviates } pc_{clock})$.