

Sequential Equivalence Checking - III

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How to Represent States ?

- ❖ Not practical to represent individual states
- ❖ Represent a set of states symbolically
- ❖ OBDD encodes boolean functions
 - ❖ Code elements S
- ❖ Represent a subset T as boolean function f_T
- ❖ $f_T = \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$

How to Represent States ?

- ❖ Computation uses symbolic BFS approach to all reachable states by shortest path
- ❖ Key step is image computation
 - $\text{Img}(\delta(s,x), C(s))$
- ❖ BFS allows to deal multiple states simultaneously
- ❖ BDD is used to represent TF
- ❖ Let $t_i = \delta_i(s,x)$ $i = 1,2,\dots,n$
- ❖ $C(s)$ is a symbolic state set

How to Represent TF ?

- ❖ Given a deterministic transition function (s,x) the corresponding transition relation is defined by
 - $T(s,x,t) = \prod (t_i = \delta_i(s,x))$
- ❖ $T(s,x,t) = 1$ denotes a set of encoded tripples (s,x,t) , each representing a transition in the FST of a given FSM
- ❖ Straight forward to compute image
- ❖ Need new boolean operation
 - Existential Abstraction
 - $\exists_{x_i} \cdot f = f_{x_i} + f_{x_i'}$
 - f_{x_i} - smallest (fewest minterm) function that contains all minterms of f and independent of x_i

How to Represent TF ?

❖ Given $f(s,x) = f(s, \dots s_n, x_1, \dots x_m)$ the existential abstraction w.r.t a set of variables is defined as

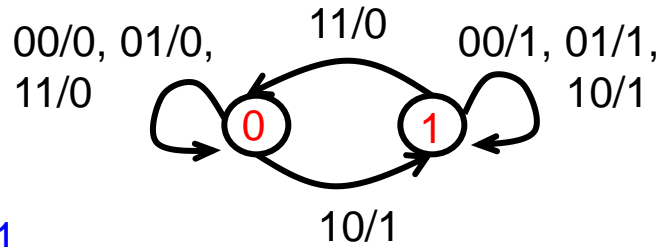
$$\triangleright \exists_x . f(s,x) = \exists_{x_1} (\exists_{x_2} (\dots \exists_{x_m} (f(s,x))))$$

❖ Procedure

- Compute TF, $T(s,x,t)$
- Compute conjunction of T and C
- Existentially abstract all s variable and all x variable - provides $I(t)$
- $I(t)$ is the smallest function independent of s and x which contains all the tripples in $f(s,x,t)$

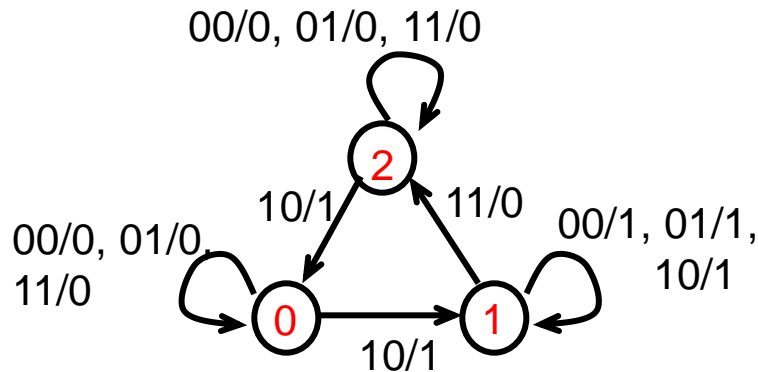
State Reachability in Product FSM

M_1



- $t_1 = \delta_{1,1}^1 = s'_1 x_1 x'_2 + s_1 (x'_1 + x'_2)$
- $\lambda^1 = \delta_{1,1}^1$

M_2



- $0=00, 1=01, 2=10$
- $t_2 = \delta_{2,2}^2 = s_3 x_1 x_2 + s_2 (x'_1 + x_2)$
- $t_3 = \delta_{3,3}^2 = s'_2 x_1 x'_2 + s_3 (x'_1 + x_2)$
- $\lambda^2 = s_3 x'_1 + x_1 x'_2$

Symbolic FSM Traversal

Transition relation of the product machine

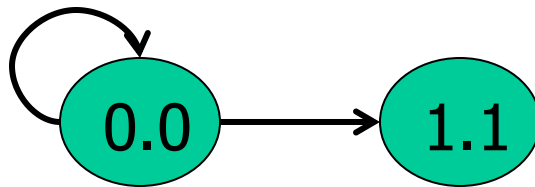
- ❖ $T(s, x, t) = (t_1 \equiv \delta_{11}^1) \cdot (t_2 \equiv \delta_{22}^2) \cdot (t_3 \equiv \delta_{33}^2)$
- ❖ Initial State is $s'_1 s'_2 s'_3$
- ❖ $T(s, x, t) \cdot C(s) = T(s, x, t) \cdot s'_1 s'_2 s'_3$
 $= (t_1 \equiv s'_1 x_1 x_2) \cdot (t_2 \equiv 0) \cdot (t_3 \equiv s'_2 x_1 x'_2) \cdot s'_1 s'_2 s'_3$
- Since this conjunction evaluate to 1 for just one s-minterm ($s'_1 s'_2 s'_3$)

Symbolic FSM Traversal

$$G(x,t) = \exists_s (T(s,x,t).C(s))$$

$$= (t_1 \equiv x_1 x'_2). (t_2 \equiv 0). (t_3 \equiv x_1 x'_2)$$

- Since this conjunction evaluate to 1 for just one s-minterm ($s'_1 s'_2 s'_3$)
- $g_{x_1 x'_2} = (t_1 \equiv 1). (t_2 \equiv 0). (t_3 \equiv 1)$
- $g_{x'_1 x_2} = g_{x'_1 x'_2} = g_{x_1 x_2} = (t_1 \equiv 0). (t_2 \equiv 0). (t_3 \equiv 0)$
- $\text{Img}(T,C) = g(x,t) = t'_1 t'_2 t'_3 + t_1 t'_2 t_3$



Symbolic FSM Traversal

- ❖ Implicit representation
- ❖ Graphs and their traversal are converted to Boolean functions and Boolean operations
- ❖ BDD can be use for symbolic computation

Symbolic FSM Representation

- $M(Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$
- Characteristic Function

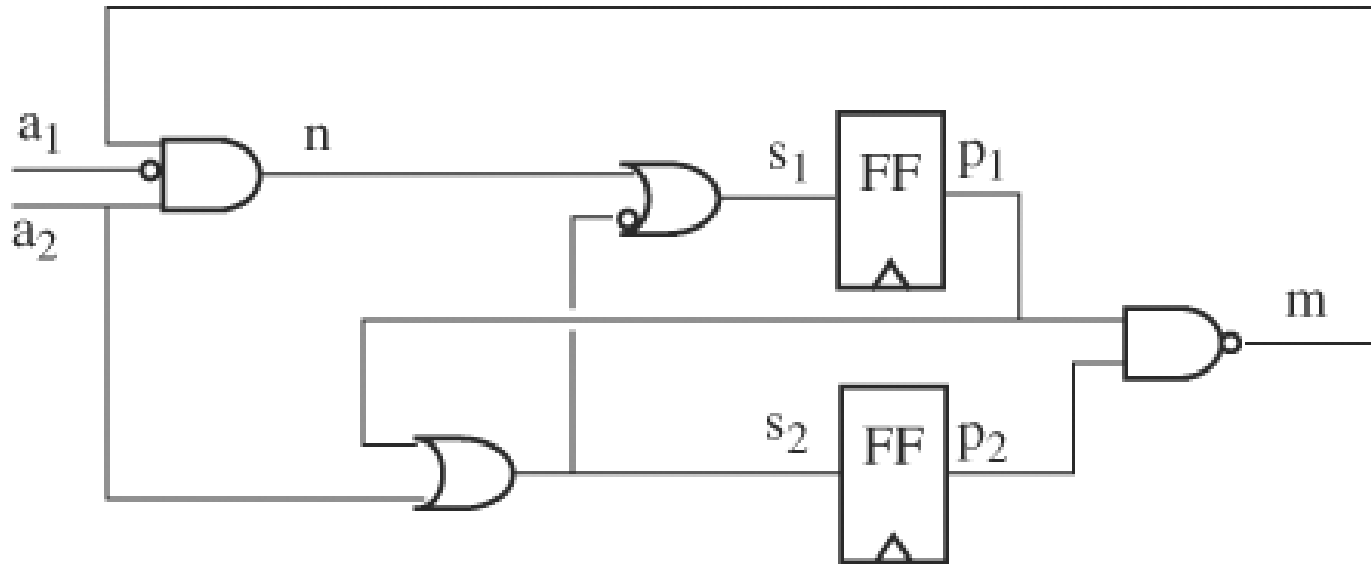
$$Q(r) = \begin{cases} 1, & r \in S \\ 0, & r \notin S \end{cases}$$

- Transition Function

$$T(p, n, a) = \begin{cases} 1, & n = \delta(p, a) \\ 0, & \textit{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$N(s) = \begin{cases} 1, & \exists(p, a)(T(p, s, a) \cdot P(p) = 1) \\ 0, & \textit{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Symbolic FSM Traversal



Relational representation of transition function

$$s_1 = s'_2 + a'_1 a_2 (p_1 p_2)'$$

$$s_2 = p_1 + a_2$$

Symbolic FSM Traversal

Transition relation

$$T(p_1, p_2, s_1, s_2, a_1, a_2) = \overline{(s_1 \oplus (s_2 + \overline{a_1 a_2 (p_1 p_2)}))} \overline{(s_2 \oplus (p_1 + a_2))}$$

Next state

Present state: 00, Input: 10

$$T(0,0,s_1,s_2,0,1) = S_1 \cdot S_2$$

11

Set of all next state for all possible inputs

$$N(s_1, s_2) = \exists(a_1, a_2, p_1, p_2) T(p_1, p_2, s_1, s_2, a_1, a_2) P(p_1, p_2)$$

Symbolic FSM Traversal

- set of all next states if the present state is either 00 or 11

characteristic function

$$P(p_1, p_2) = \bar{p}_1\bar{p}_2 + p_1p_2$$

Next state

$$N(s_1, s_2) = \exists(a_1, a_2, p_1, p_2)T(p_1, p_2, s_1, s_2, a_1, a_2)P(p_1, p_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \exists(a_1, a_2, p_1, p_2)T(p_1, p_2, s_1, s_2, a_1, a_2)P(p_1, p_2) \\ &= (T(p_1, p_2, s_1, s_2, 0, 0) + T(p_1, p_2, s_1, s_2, 0, 1) \\ &+ T(p_1, p_2, s_1, s_2, 1, 0) + T(p_1, p_2, s_1, s_2, 1, 1))P(p_1, p_2) \end{aligned}$$

Symbolic FSM Traversal

$$N(S_1, S_2) = S_1 + S_2$$

Next States: 01, 10, 11

Forward Reachability

Forward Reachable States by Symbolic Computation

Input: transition relation $T(p, s, a)$ and initial state $I(s)$

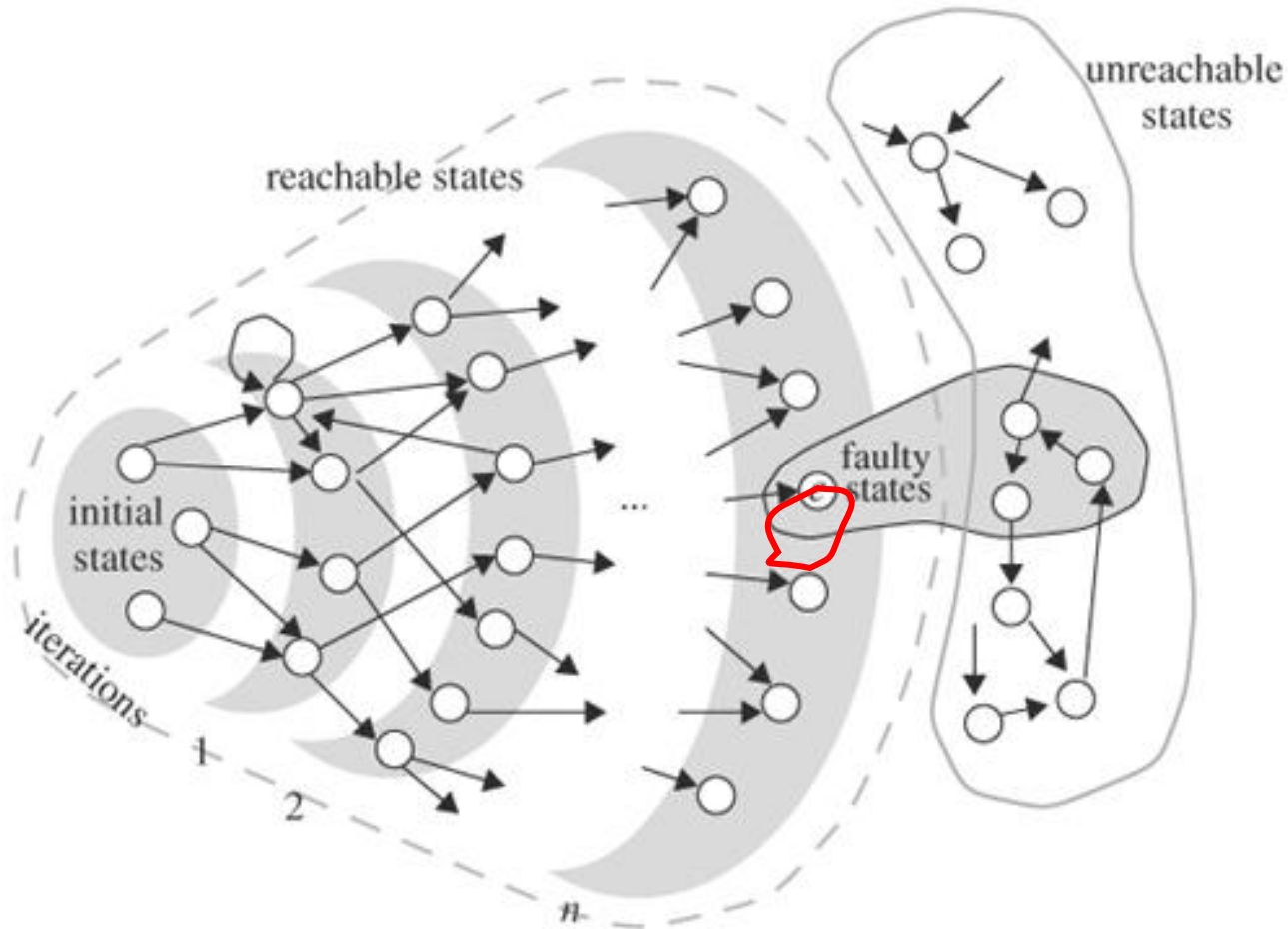
Output: a characteristic function $R(s)$ of all reachable states

ReachableState(T, I):

1. Set $S = I$
2. Compute $N(s) = \exists (p,a)(T(p,s,a) \cdot S(p))$
3. $R = S + N$
4. If $R \neq S$, set $S = R$ and repeat steps 2 and 3; otherwise, return R .

Forward Reachability

- BDD is used



Thank you

