EXP.OPEN 2.0 A flexible tool integrating partial order, compositional, and on-the-fly verification methods

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A new tool of the CADP verification toolbox, whose main features are:

- Automata compositions using the operators of several languages (CCS, CSP, LOTOS, μCRL, E-LOTOS, ...)
 - Classical and generalized hide, rename, and cut
 - Classical and generalized parallel composition
 - Synchronization vectors
- Combination of enumerative verification methods
 - Compositional verification
 - On-the-fly verification
 - Partial order reductions
- Connection with PEP and FC2



1. Input language



Examples

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mcrl behaviour
comm s1|r1 = c1, s2|r2 = c2,
        s3|r3 = c3, s4|r4 = c4,
        s5|r5 = c5, s6|r6 = c6
end comm
hide "c." in
        cut "s.", "r." in
        "snd.bcg" || "rec.bcg" ||
        "n1.bcg" || "m2.bcg"
end cut
end hide
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csp behaviour
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("snd.bcg" ||| "rec.bcg")
[| { s1, s2, r1, r2 } |]
("m1.bcg" ||| "m2.bcg")
) \ { s1, s2, r1, r2 }
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par

s1 * s1 * _ * _ -> s1,

_ * _ * s2 * s2 -> s2,

_ * r1 * _ * r1 -> r1,

r2 * _ * r2 * _ -> r2

in "snd.bcg" || "m1.bcg" ||

"m2.bcg" || "recv.bcg"

end par
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Labelled Transition System (LTS)

- The semantic model of most process algebras
- Quadruple (S, A, T, s₀), where
 - S and A are the sets of *states* and *labels* (communication events and internal event written *tau*)
 - T is a set of *transitions* between states, labelled by elements of A
 - s_0 is the initial state
- Four file formats available (BCG, Aldébaran, FC2, SEQ)
- Many forms of labels are accepted



Hide, cut, and rename

- Standard notions in process algebras
- EXP.OPEN 2.0 implements μCRL and CCS cut, $\mu CRL,$ CSP, and LOTOS hide, CCS and CSP rename
- Generalized hide, cut and rename also available
 - Events (gate or label) represented by Posix regexp
 - Hide and cut using negation of a list of events
 - Possibility to define rules in a separate file



Examples

Labels of B: PUT(T1), GET(T1), PUT(T2), GET(T2)

- total hide "PUT(T1)" in B hides "PUT(T1)"
- partial cut all but "T2" in B cuts all transitions labelled "PUT(T1)" or "GET(T1)"
- gate rename "\(.\)\(.\)" → "\3\2\1" in B renames e.g., "PUT(T1)" into "TUP(T1)"
- multiple rename "T" → "TT" in B renames e.g., "PUT(T1)" into "PUTT(TT1)"



Parallel composition

- Binary infix parallel composition operators from CCS, CSP, LOTOS, and μCRL
- Generalized parallel composition operators
 - Parallel composition using synchronization vectors
 - E-LOTOS parallel composition



E-LOTOS parallel composition

Generalization of LOTOS (Garavel & Sighireanu, 1999)

- Forced synchronization on a set of events for *n* concurrent processes
- Relaxed forms of synchronization for particular events
 - *n* among *m* synchronization
 - Interface synchronization









2. State space exploration using EXP.OPEN 2.0



Compilation into an internal form

Every expression is compiled into a vector of LTSs and a set of synchronization vectors

- Allows an homogeneous treatment of expressions
- Example: rename $"\text{H"} \rightarrow "\text{K"}$ in

$$\begin{array}{c|c} S_1 & G(1) \\ \hline G(2) & H \\ \hline tau \end{array} | [G] | \\ \hline G(2) \\ \hline G($$

is compiled into (S_1, S_2) , { ("tau", _) \rightarrow "tau", ("H", _) \rightarrow "K", ("G(1)", "G(1)") \rightarrow "G(1)", ("G(2)", "G(2)") \rightarrow "G(2)" }





Partial order reductions

- Select a partially ordered execution of a set of transitions to avoid exploring all interleavings
- Three partial order reductions are implemented, preserving different relations
 - Branching bisimulation
 - Stochastic branching bisimulation
 - Deadlocks
- No modification of the verification back-ends



Compositional verification

- Standard approach: Generate, hide, and reduce modulo an equivalence incrementally
 - May avoid explosion of the full LTS
 - Sound as the main equivalences are congruences
 - But limited by possible explosion of an intermediate LTS
- Refined approach: Additionally use interface constraints to generate LTSs
 - Interface = LTS modeling an abstraction of the context
 - Proposed by Graf & Steffen (90) and implemented in the PROJECTOR tool by Krimm & Mounier (97)



Interface constraints generation

- EXP.OPEN allows to generate interface constraints for a process in a known context automatically
- Main advantages:
 - It avoids generation of constraints by hand
 - It is not restricted to a particular language
 - Interface constraints can be built upon any subset of the processes in the context of the process to constrain
 - It improves over other approaches in the case of nondeterministic synchronization
- For LOTOS, the approach is automated within SVL



3. Applications and performances



Various applications

- Verification of Net update protocol (Firewire)
 - By Romijn, Vorstenboch, and Huo (Univ. of Eindhoven)
 - Distributed state space generation
- Performance analysis of a distributed mutual exclusion algorithm
 - By Hermanns and Johr (Saarland University)
 - Branching stochastic partial order reduction and distributed state space generation
- Compositions of hierarchical object components
 - By Barros and Madelaine (INRIA)
 - Hierarchical compositions using synchronization vectors



Various applications (continued)

- Several online demos available in CADP
 - Distributed summation algorithm using *m* among *n* synchronization
 - ODP trader using *m* among *n* synchronization
 - Distributed Erathostene's sieve using partial order reduction
 - Compositional verification of Data Encryption Standard (DES)
 - etc.



Performances

Erathostene's sieve using partial order reduction preserving branching bisimulation



Performances (cont'd)

Significant improvements wrt. version 1.0

- Memory divided by 2
- Time: EXP.OPEN 1.0 EXP.OPEN 2.0 Time (s) 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 Δ Experiment number

Conclusion

- EXP.OPEN 2.0 combines operators
 - Classical and generalized process algebra operators
 - Synchronization vectors
 - First implementation of E-LOTOS parallel composition
- EXP.OPEN 2.0 combines techniques
 - On-the-fly verification and partial order reductions
 - Compositional verification with interface constraints
- More information on CADP and EXP.OPEN 2.0:

http://www.inrialpes.fr/vasy/cadp

