# Ranking and Repulsing <br> Supermartingales for Reachability in Probabilistic Programs 

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A robot resolves a set of tasks

Mode 1: safe mode


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3 min.


Mode 2: urgent mode


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What is the probability that the robot completes the tasks?

## Problem formulation

## Input: probabilistic program

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\(2 \mathrm{p}:=\{0.9: 1,0.1:-3\}\);
    3 while \(x>0\) do
    4 if * then
    \(5 \quad \mathrm{t}:=\mathrm{t}+3\);
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## Probabilistic modification of real-world benchmarks

(in Alias+, SAS'10)

Almost-sure termination is certified in 20/28 examples
(Agrawal+, POPL'18)

| Benchmark | Time (s) | Solution | Dimension | Prob. loops | Prob. Assignments |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| alain | 0.11 | yes | 2 | yes | yes |
| catmouse | 0.08 | yes | 2 | yes | yes |
| counterex1a | 0.1 | no |  | no | no |
| counterex1c | 0.11 | yes | 3 | yes | yes |
| easy1 | 0.09 | yes | 1 | yes | yes |
| exmini | 0.09 | yes | 2 | yes | yes |
| insertsort | 0.1 | yes | 3 | yes | yes |
| ndecr | 0.09 | yes | 2 | yes | yes |
| perfect | 0.11 | yes | 3 | yes | yes |
| perfect2 | 0.1 | yes | 3 | yes | no |
|  | 0.11 | no |  | yes | yes |
| real2 | 0.09 | no |  | no | no |
| realbubble | 0.22 | yes | 3 | yes | yes |
| realselect | 0.11 | yes | 3 | yes | yes |
| realshellsort | 0.09 | no |  | yes | no |
| serpent | 0.1 | yes | 1 | yes | yes |
| sipmabubble | 0.1 | yes | 3 | yes | yes |
| speedDis2 | 0.09 | no |  | no | no |
| speedNestedMultiple | 01 | yes | 3 | yes | yes |
| speedpldi2 | 0.09 | yes | 2 | yes | yes |
| speedpldi4 | 0.09 | yes | 3 | yes | yes |
| speedSimpleMultipleDep | 0.09 | no |  | no | no |
| speedSingleSingle2 | 0.12 | yes | 2 | yes | no |
|  | 0.1 | no |  | yes | yes |
| unperfect | 0.1 | yes | 2 | yes | no |
|  | 0.16 | no |  | yes | yes |
| wcet1 | 0.11 | yes | 2 | yes | yes |
| while2 | 0.1 | yes | 3 | yes | yes |

## Certification by supermartingale


(Steinhardt-Tedrake, IJRR'12)

## Control flow graph



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    p := {0.9:1, 0.1:-3};
    while x > 0 do
        if * then
        t := t + 3;
        x := x - 1
        else
        t := t + 1;
        x := x - p
    fi
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| 0 | 0.4 |
| 0.6 | $\rightarrow 0$ |

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C:=\left\{\boldsymbol{l}_{5}\right\} \times(\mathbb{R} \times(30, \infty))
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$\subseteq$ (Locations) $\times$ (Variables)
$\Rightarrow \operatorname{Pr}($ the system eventually visits the region $C)$ ?

## Supermartingale $=$ a function over states that is

"non-increasing" through transitions


## Ranking function



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Ranking supermartingale


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The system eventually visits © almost surely

## Barrier certificate



Safe region
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The system does not enter the unsafe region

Probabilistic barrier certificate
(a.k.a. nonnegative repulsing supermartingale)


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## $\operatorname{Pr}($ the system enters the unsafe region $) \leq f\left(x_{\text {init }}\right)$

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Known

Partly known

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For certain endofunctions $\Phi$ and $\Psi$, $\mathbb{E}^{\text {steps }}=\mu \Phi$ and $\mathbb{P}^{\text {reach }}=\mu \Psi$

## Soundness/completeness

## Our theorem

$\mathbb{E}^{\text {steps }}=\mu \Phi$

The lattice $(\mathcal{F}, ㄷ ㅡ)$
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|  |  | Prog. I (linear) |  | Prog. II (deg.-2 poly.) |  | Prog. II (deg.-3 poly.) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | param. | time (s) | bound | time (s) | bound | time (s) | bound |
| (a-1) | $p_{1}=0.2$ $p_{2}=0.4$ $p_{1}=0.8$ | 0.021 | $\leq 0.825$ | 530.298 | $\leq 0.6552$ | 572.393 | $\leq 0.6555$ |
|  | $p_{1}=0.8$ $p_{2}=0.1$ | 0.024 | $\leq 1$ | 526.519 | $\leq 1.0$ | 561.327 | $\leq 1.0$ |

Table 1. Bounds by U-NNRepSupM

|  | true reachability probability | U-NNRepSupM | 1-RepSupM |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $(\mathrm{c}-1)$ | $\frac{(0.4 / 0.6)^{5}-(0.4 / 0.6)^{10}}{1-(0.4 / 0.6)^{10}} \approx 0.116$ | 0.505 | $<1$ |
| $(\mathrm{c}-2)$ | 0.5 | 0.5 | - |
| $(\mathrm{c}-3)$ | $\int_{0}^{1}\left(\frac{0.25}{0.75}\right)^{\left\lceil\log _{2}(1 / x)\right\rceil} d x \approx 0.2$ | 0.5 | - |
| $(\mathrm{c}-4)$ | $\left(\frac{0.25}{0.75}\right)^{1} \approx 0.333$ | - | $<1$ |


|  |  | Prog. III (linear) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | param. | time (s) | bound |
| (a-1) | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & p_{1}=0.2 \\ & p_{2}=0.4\end{aligned}\right.$ | 0.026 | $\geq 0$ |
|  | $p_{1}=0.8$ $p_{2}=0.1$ | 0.022 | $\geq 0.751$ |
| (a-2) | $M_{1}=-1$ $M_{2}=2$ | 0.033 | $\geq 0$ |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & M_{1}=-2 \\ & M_{2}=1 \end{aligned}$ | 0.033 | $\geq 0.767$ |
| (a-3) | $\begin{aligned} & M_{1}=-1 \\ & M_{2}=2 \end{aligned}$ | 0.028 | $\geq 0$ |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & M_{1}=-2 \\ & M_{2}=1 \end{aligned}$ | 0.040 | $\geq 0.801$ |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & c=0.1 \\ & p=0.5 \end{aligned}$ | 0.056 | $\geq 0$ |
| (b) | $p=0.1$ $p=0.1$ | 0.054 | $\geq 0.148$ |

Table 3. Probabilistic bounds given by U-NNRepSupM and $\varepsilon$-RepSupM

Table 2. Bounds by $\mathrm{L}-\gamma-\mathrm{SclSubM}$ with $\gamma=0.999$

- Implemented template-based synthesis algorithms
- Nontrivial bounds are found (1)
- Observed comparative advantage of nonnegative RepSM over $\varepsilon$-decreasing RepSM (2))


## Summary

- Martingale can evaluate reachability of probabilistic programs in various ways
- We gave a comprehensive account of martingale-based approximation methods via fixed point argument
- We proved Soundness/completeness of several methods for uncountable-states MDPs, which extends known results
- We demonstrated implementation and experiments

