

CS780 Discrete-State Models

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Some Example Bisimulations

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Markov Chains, Lumpability

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Bisimulations

◆ Bisimulations are always defined in a similar manner

- Examples: Strong and Weak Bisimulation, Observational Congruence, ...

Ingredients:

- ◆ equivalence relations, largest is the interesting one
- ◆ what the one state can do, the related one can simulate and vice versa

Definition (Strong bisimulation)

A relation $\rho \subseteq Proc \times Proc$ is called a **strong bisimulation** if $P \rho Q$ implies, for every $\alpha \in Act$,

- 1 $P \xrightarrow{\alpha} P' \implies \text{ex. } Q' \in Proc \text{ such that } Q \xrightarrow{\alpha} Q' \text{ and } P' \rho Q'$
- 2 $Q \xrightarrow{\alpha} Q' \implies \text{ex. } P' \in Proc \text{ such that } P \xrightarrow{\alpha} P' \text{ and } P' \rho Q'$

$P, Q \in Proc$ are called **strongly bisimilar** (notation: $P \sim Q$) if there exists a strong bisimulation ρ such that $P \rho Q$.

Inverse Bisimulation for Reachability

◆ Reduction of an Automaton

DEFINITION 3.1 Let $A = (S, \delta, s_0, L)$ be an automaton and \mathcal{R} be an equivalence relation on state space S . The aggregated automaton according to \mathcal{R} is defined as $A_{\mathcal{R}} = (\tilde{S}, \tilde{\delta}, \tilde{s}_0, \tilde{L})$, in which $\tilde{S} = S_{\mathcal{R}}$, \tilde{s}_0 is the unique equivalence class with $s_0 \in \text{rep}(\tilde{s}_0)$, $\tilde{L} = L$, and $\tilde{\delta}$ is defined as follows: $(\tilde{s}_x, \tilde{s}_y, l) \in \tilde{\delta} \iff s_x \in \text{rep}(\tilde{s}_x)$ and $s_y \in \text{rep}(\tilde{s}_y)$ with $(s_x, s_y, l) \in \delta$ exist.

uses representative states.

◆ Weak Inverse Bisimulation

DEFINITION 3.2 Let $A = (S, \delta, s_0, L)$ be an automaton and \mathcal{R} be an equivalence relation on state space S . \mathcal{R} is a weak inverse bisimulation \iff 1) $(s_0, s_x) \in \mathcal{R}$ implies $Q_{\tau^*}(0, x)$ and 2) if $(s_x, s_y) \in \mathcal{R}$, then $Q_{l^*}(z, x) = 1$ implies $Q_{l^*}(z', y) = 1$ for some $s_{z'}$ with $(s_z, s_{z'}) \in \mathcal{R}$ and vice versa.

◆ Preserves reachability

◆ Let $Q_{\tau^*} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (Q_{\tau})^k$ $Q_{l^*} = Q_{\tau^*} Q_l Q_{\tau^*}$

◆ Inverse? Look for z, z' position in $Q_{l^*}(z, x) = 1$

Inverse Bisimulation for Reachability

◆ Weak Inverse Bisimulation preserves reachability

THEOREM 3.1 *If $\tilde{A}_{\mathcal{R}}$ results from automaton A by an aggregation with respect to some weak inverse bisimulation \mathcal{R} , then in every embedding environment the following relation holds:*

1. *if state $\tilde{s}_x \in \tilde{S}$ is reachable after \tilde{A} is embedded, then all $s_x \in \text{rep}(\tilde{s}_x)$ are reachable after A is embedded in the same environment, and*
2. *if state $\tilde{s}_x \in \tilde{S}$ is not reachable after \tilde{A} is embedded, then all $s_x \in \text{rep}(\tilde{s}_x)$ are not reachable after A is embedded in the same environment.*

◆ Embedding means parallel composition wrt to transition labels, i.e., synchronization of transitions.

◆ Proof:

- Item 1: induction over number of synchronized transitions
 - ◆ 1st condition handles reachable states from s_0 before 1st synchronized transition
 - ◆ 2nd condition handles subsequent transitions
- Item 2: follows from def of transitions in aggregated automaton

Weak bisimulation of K-automata (semiring)

An equivalence relation $R \subseteq S \times S$ is a weak bisimulation relation if for all $(s_1, s_2) \in R$, all $l \in L \setminus \{\tau\} \cup \{\varepsilon\}$, all equivalence classes $C \in S / R$

$$\alpha(s_1) = \alpha(s_2)$$

or

$$\mathbf{a}(s_1) = \mathbf{a}(s_2)$$

in

$$\beta'(s_1) = \beta'(s_2)$$

terms

$$\mathbf{b}'(s_1) = \mathbf{b}'(s_2)$$

of

$$T'(s_1, l, C) = T'(s_2, l, C)$$

matrices

$$\mathbf{M}'_l(s_1, C) = \mathbf{M}'_l(s_2, C)$$

Two states are weakly bisimilar, $s_1 \approx s_2$, if $(s_1, s_2) \in R$

Two automata are weakly bisimilar, $A_1 \approx A_2$, if there is a weak bisimulation on the union of both automata such that

$$\alpha(C_1) = \alpha(C_2) \text{ for all } C \in S / R$$

Theorem

If $A_1 \approx A_2$ for Ki - Automata A_1, A_2 then $w_1'(\sigma) = w_2'(\sigma)$
for all $\sigma \in L'^*$ where $L' = (L_1 \cup L_2) \setminus \{\tau\} \cup \{\varepsilon\}$

Weights of sequences are equal in weakly bisimilar automata.

Ki ? commutative and idempotent semiring K

Sequence? sequence considers all paths that have same sequence of labels, may start or stop at any state

Weakly ? Paths can contain subpaths of τ -labeled transitions represented by a single ε -labeled transition.

Theorem

If $A_1 \approx A_2$ and A_3 are finite Ki - Automata then

1. $A_1 + A_3 \approx A_2 + A_3$

direct sum

2. $A_1 \cdot A_3 \approx A_2 \cdot A_3$ and $A_2 \cdot A_3 \approx A_1 \cdot A_3$

direct product

3. $A_1 \parallel_{LC} A_3 \approx A_2 \parallel_{LC} A_3$ and $A_3 \parallel_{LC} A_1 \approx A_3 \parallel_{LC} A_2$

synchronized product

and if choice is defined then

4. $A_1 \vee A_3 \approx A_2 \vee A_3$ and $A_3 \vee A_1 \approx A_3 \vee A_2$

choice

Some notes on proofs:

- ◆ proofs are lengthy,
- ◆ argumentation based matrices helps,
- ◆ argumentation along paths, resp. sequences more tedious
- ◆ idempotency simplifies valuation for concatenation of $\tau^* | \tau^*$ transitions
- ◆ note that algebra does not provide inverse elements wrt + and *

Lumping - Performance Bisimulation for Markov Chains

◆ Lumping

- Markov Reward Process:
Continuous Time Markov Chain with rate rewards
and initial probabilities
- Ordinary lumping, exact lumping

◆ Exploiting lumping at different levels

- State-level lumping
- Model-level lumping
- Compositional lumping

Markov Reward Process (MRP)

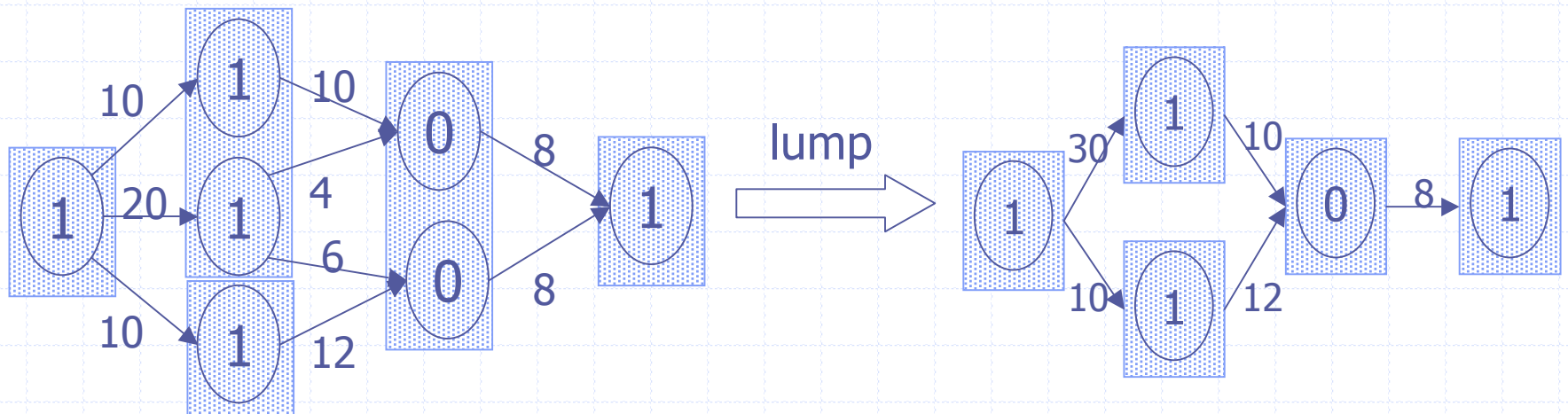
- ◆ Various steady-state and transient measures can be computed using rate rewards and initial probabilities for states of CTMC
- ◆ MRP is 4-tuple $(\mathcal{S}, \mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{r}, \pi^{\text{ini}})$
 - $\mathcal{S} = \{0, \dots, |\mathcal{S}| - 1\}$: state space
 - $\mathbf{Q}(|\mathcal{S}| \times |\mathcal{S}|)$: generator matrix
 - $\mathbf{r}(s)$: rate reward value of state $s \in \mathcal{S}$
 - $\pi^{\text{ini}}(s)$: probability of state s at time 0
- ◆ Ordinary and exact lumping

Ordinary Lumping

Definition: $M = (\mathcal{S}, \mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{r}, \pi^{\text{ini}})$ is ordinarily lumpable w.r.t. to partition \mathcal{P} of \mathcal{S} iff

$$\mathbf{r}(s) = \mathbf{r}(\hat{s}) \text{ and } \sum_{s' \in C'} \mathbf{Q}(s, s') = \sum_{s' \in C'} \mathbf{Q}(\hat{s}, s')$$

for all (equivalence) classes C, C' of \mathcal{P} ,
and all $s, \hat{s} \in C$

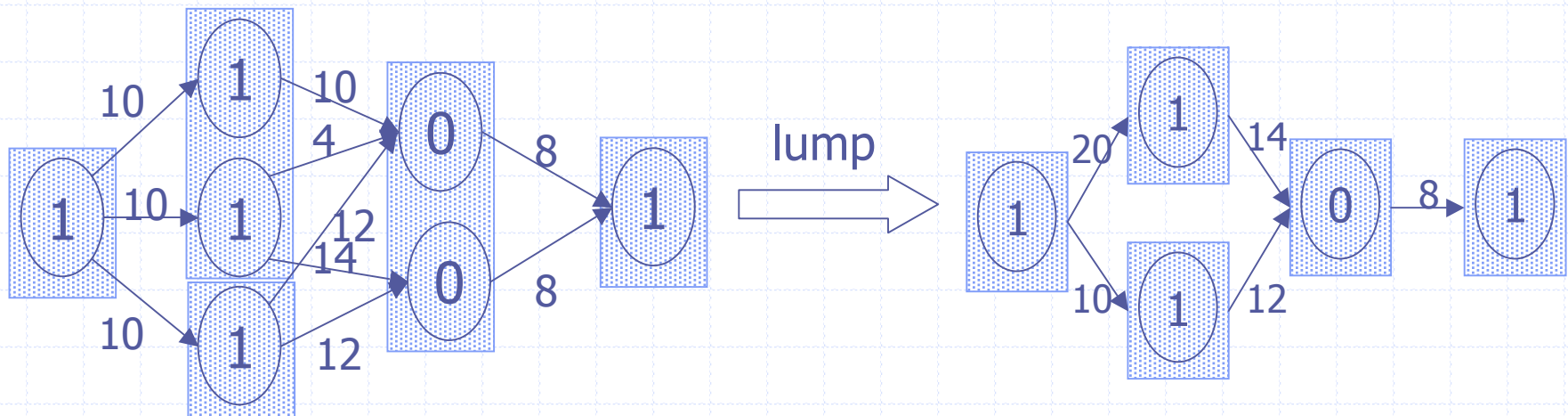


Exact Lumping

Definition: $M = (\mathcal{S}, \mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{r}, \pi^{\text{ini}})$ is **exactly** lumpable w.r.t. to partition \mathcal{P} of \mathcal{S} iff

$$\pi(s) = \pi(\hat{s}) \text{ and } \sum_{s' \in C'} \mathbf{Q}(s', s) = \sum_{s' \in C'} \mathbf{Q}(s', \hat{s})$$

for all (equivalence) classes C, C' of \mathcal{P} ,
and all $s, \hat{s} \in C$



Exact and ordinary lumping for DTMC

Definition 1. Let \mathbf{P} be the irreducible transition matrix of a finite Markov chain X on state space Z and $\Omega = \{\Omega(1) \cdots \Omega(N)\}$ a partition of the state space with collector matrix \mathbf{V} .

- Ω is *ordinarily lumpable*, iff for all $I \in \{1 \cdots N\}$ and all $i, j \in \Omega(I)$: $(\mathbf{e}_i - \mathbf{e}_j)\mathbf{P}\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{0}$;
- Ω is *exactly lumpable*, iff for all $I \in \{1 \cdots N\}$ and all $i, j \in \Omega(I)$: $(\mathbf{e}_i - \mathbf{e}_j)\mathbf{P}^T\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{0}$;
- Ω is *strictly lumpable*, iff it is ordinarily and exactly lumpable.

\mathbf{e}_i is a row vector with 1.0 in position i and 0 elsewhere.

The above definition of ordinary/exact lumpability defines unique constants $\xi_{I,J} = \mathbf{e}_i\mathbf{P}_{I,J}\mathbf{e}^T$ for ordinarily lumpable partitions and $\eta_{I,J} = \mathbf{e}\mathbf{P}_{I,J}\mathbf{e}_i^T$ for exactly lumpable partitions, which are independent from $i \in \Omega(I)$.

Theorem 3 ([15], Section 5). If Ω is an exactly lumpable partition on the state space Z of a finite Markov chain with transition matrix \mathbf{P} and $\hat{\mathbf{P}} = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{P}\mathbf{V}$ is the transition matrix of the aggregated chain according to Ω and resulting from $\mathbf{W} = \text{diag}(\mathbf{e}\mathbf{V})^{-1}\mathbf{V}^T$, then $\hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}} = \boldsymbol{\pi}$ and $\boldsymbol{\pi}_I = \hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}}(I)/n_I\mathbf{e}$. The elements of $\hat{\mathbf{P}}$ are given by $\hat{P}(I, J) = (n_J/n_I)\eta_{IJ}$.

Theorem 4 ([16], §3]). If Ω is an ordinarily lumpable partition on the state space Z of a finite Markov chain with transition matrix \mathbf{P} , then $\hat{\mathbf{P}} = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{P}\mathbf{V}$ the transition matrix of the aggregated chain according to Ω is independent from the weight vector $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$ and $\hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}} = \boldsymbol{\pi}$. The elements $\hat{P}(I, J)$ are equal to $\xi_{I,J}$.

Exact and ordinary lumping

- ◆ Lumping works for both CTMCs and DTMCs
- ◆ Main motivation:
 - Solution of reduced MC yields smaller vector π which is the basis to compute rewards like utilization, throughput, population (e.g. in buffers), ...
 - Exact lumping:
 - ◆ Detailed distribution inside equivalence class is known to be uniform
 - ◆ Reward measure may differ for different states in same equivalence class
 - Ordinary lumping:
 - ◆ Detailed distribution inside equivalence class is unknown
 - ◆ Reward measures can only be evaluated if they do not distinguish among states in same equivalence class
- ◆ Lumping can be a very effective reduction technique!

Types of Lumping Algorithms

- ◆ State-level lumping
 - First generate the overall CTMC, then lump
- ◆ Model-level lumping
 - Exploit symmetry among components and directly generate a lumped CTMC
- ◆ Compositional lumping
 - State-level lumping at component level
 - Often formalism-dependent
- ◆ All three types are complementary

More Details

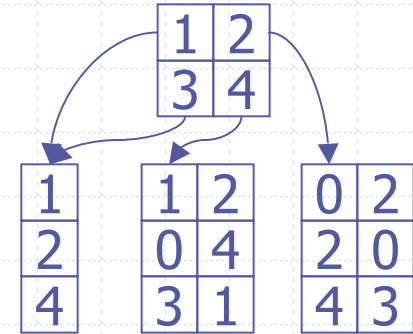
- ◆ Compositional lumping
 - Local and global equivalences for Matrix Diagrams
 - Compositional lumping theorem
 - Computation of local equivalence
 - Case study

Refresher: Matrix Diagram

- ◆ Different elements multiplied by different matrices
- ◆ Generalization of Kronecker product
- ◆ Structurally similar to MDDs

Multi-valued Decision Diagram

- ◆ May represent a supermatrix of the state transition rate matrix
 - Accompanied by state space represented as MDD
 - When projected on the MDD gives the exact state transition rate matrix



MDD: Refresher

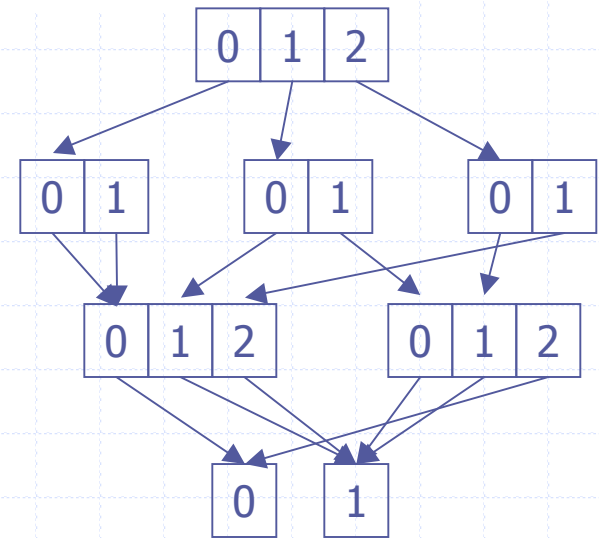
◆ Represents function

$$f : \prod_{i=1}^m S_i \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$$

$$S_i = \{0, \dots, |S_i| - 1\}$$

◆ Special case: $n = 1$

- f represents a set of vectors



$\{(0,0,1), (0,0,2), (0,1,1), (0,1,2),$
 $(1,0,1), (1,0,2), (1,1,0), (1,1,1),$
 $(2,0,0), (2,0,1), (2,1,1), (2,1,2)\}$

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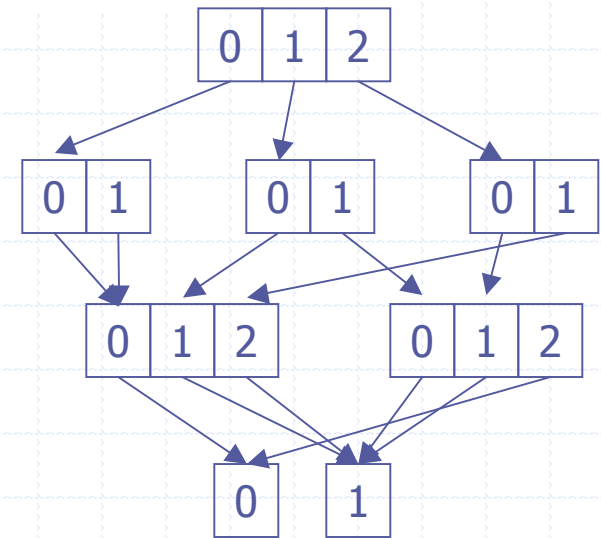
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◆ Special case: $n = 1$

■ f represents a set of vectors

■ Representation of a set of states of a discrete-state model

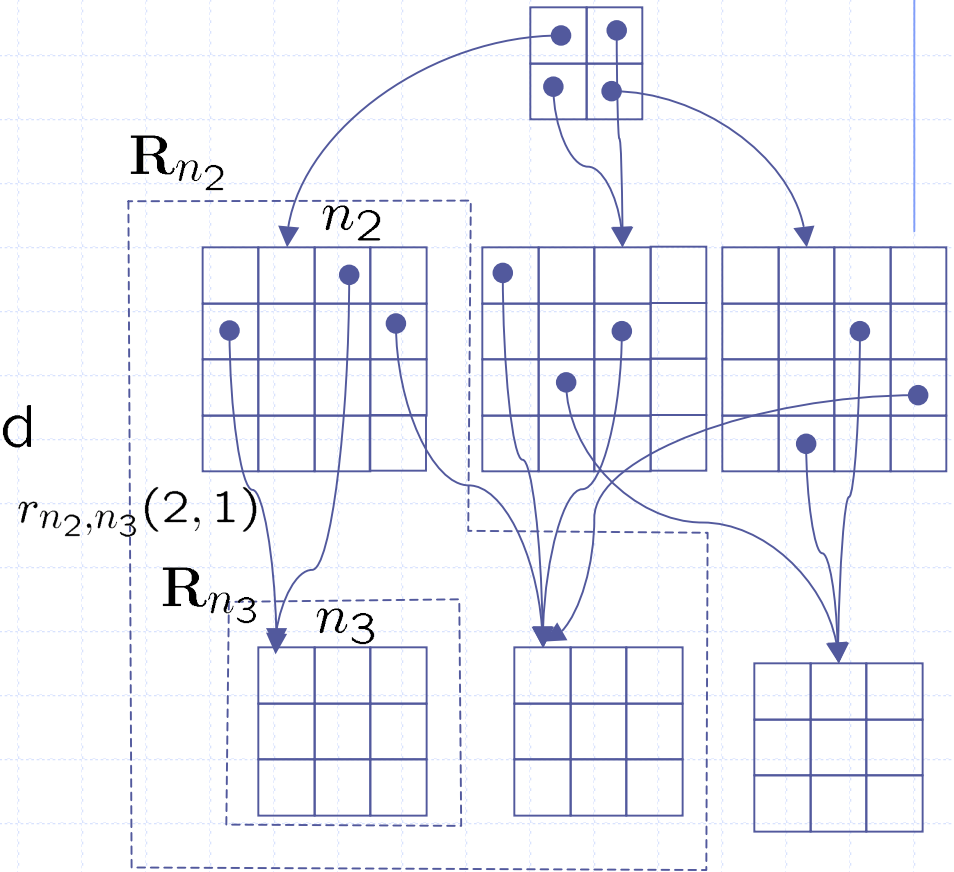
- Partition set of state var.
- Assign index to unique value assignment of variables of each block
- Vector of indices represents a state



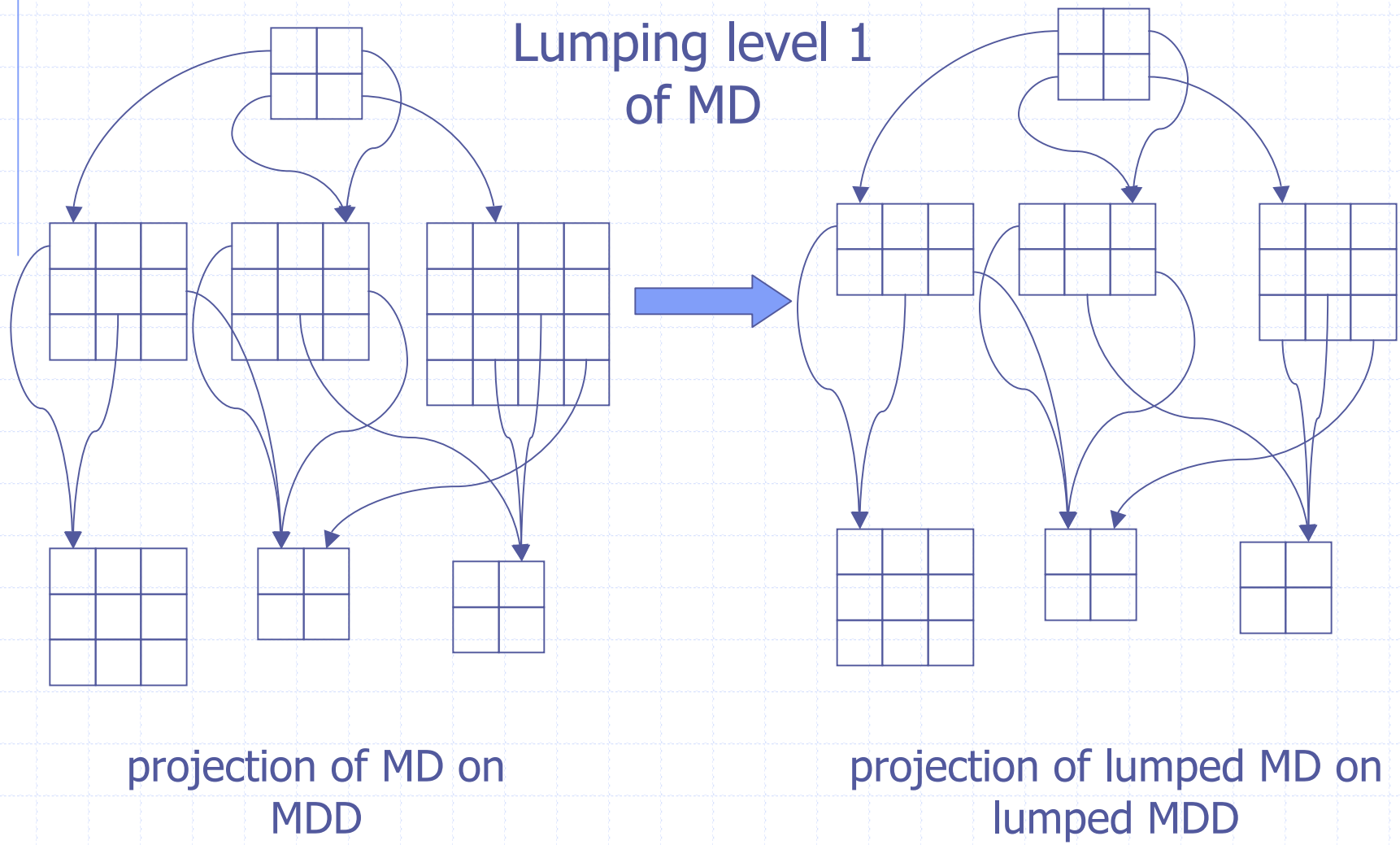
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MD Notation

- N_c : nodes of level c
- $n_c \in N_c$: a node ID in level c
- \mathbf{R}_{n_c} : matrix represented by node n_c
- $r_{n_c, n_{c+1}}(s_c, s'_c)$: real number in element (s_c, s'_c) of node n_c that points to n_{c+1}



Goal: Compositional Lumping at individual levels



Simplified Notation

- ◆ Consider level c of MD for lumping conditions
 - All levels above/below c can be merged into one level
- ◆ Without loss of generality:
 - Discussing 3-level MD and focusing on level 2 instead of discussing m -level MD and focusing on level c
 - Makes notation and main concepts straightforward to understand and theorems easier to prove
- ◆ State represented as vector of substates, i.e.,

$s = (s_1, s_2, s_3)$ where $s \in \mathcal{S}$, $s_c \in \mathcal{S}_c$, and $c \in \{1, 2, 3\}$

$\mathbf{r}(s) = g(f_1(s_1), f_2(s_2), f_3(s_3))$

Local and Global Equivalences

- Local equivalence \approx_{l_0} (partition \mathcal{P}_{l_0}) on \mathcal{S}_2
 $s_2 \approx_{l_0} \hat{s}_2$ if $\forall n_2 \in N_2, C'_2 \in \mathcal{P}_{l_0}$

$$f_2(s_2) = f_2(\hat{s}_2) \text{ and}$$

$$\sum_{s'_2 \in C'_2} \mathbf{R}_{n_2}(s_2, s'_2) = \sum_{s'_2 \in C'_2} \mathbf{R}_{n_2}(\hat{s}_2, s'_2)$$

$$\mathbf{r}(s) = \mathbf{r}(\hat{s}) \text{ and}$$

$$\sum_{s' \in C'} \mathbf{Q}(s, s') = \sum_{s' \in C'} \mathbf{Q}(\hat{s}, s')$$

- Global equivalence \approx_{go} : Extending \approx_{l_0} to complete state space \mathcal{S} :

$$s \approx_{go} \hat{s} \text{ if } s_1 = \hat{s}_1, s_2 \approx_{l_0} \hat{s}_2, \text{ and } s_3 = \hat{s}_3$$

Compositional Lumping Theorem

- **Theorem:** CTMC represented by MD is ordinarily lumpable with respect to global equivalence \approx_{go}
 - Therefore, \approx_{lo} satisfies sufficient conditions on matrices of one level of MD such that it gives ordinary lumpability for overall MD
 - Theorem holds for any local and global equivalences stricter than \approx_{lo} and \approx_{go}
 - Similar sufficient conditions and theorem for exact lumpability

Computation of Local Equivalence (1)

- Should satisfy

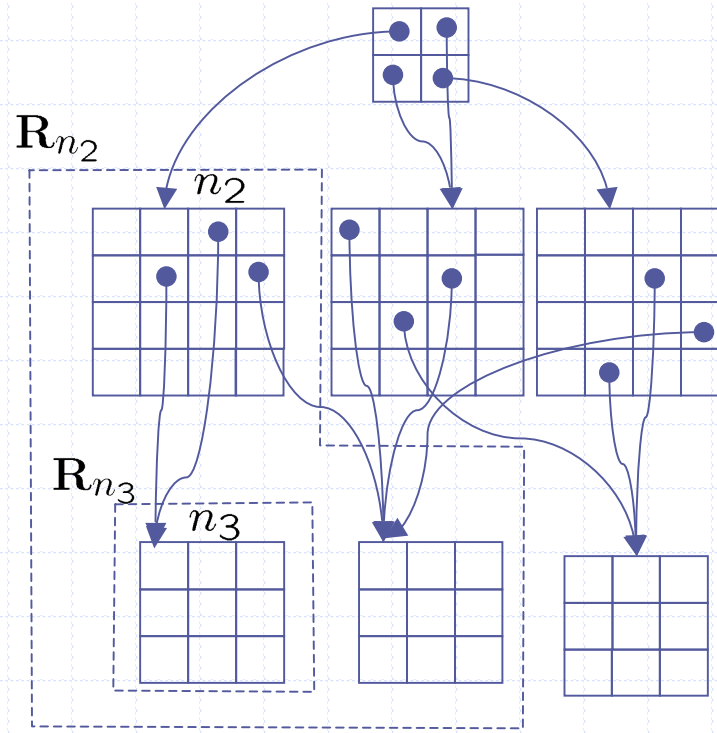
$$f_2(s_2) = f_2(\hat{s}_2) \text{ and}$$
$$\sum_{s'_2 \in C'_2} \mathbf{R}_{n_2}(s_2, s'_2) = \sum_{s'_2 \in C'_2} \mathbf{R}_{n_2}(\hat{s}_2, s'_2)$$

- Testing the second condition involves matrices of size $|\mathcal{S}_2 \times \mathcal{S}_3| \times |\mathcal{S}_2 \times \mathcal{S}_3|$
 \Rightarrow computationally too expensive
- Resort to easier-to-compute stricter (i.e., sufficient) condition

Computation of Local Equivalence (2)

- $$\sum_{s'_2 \in C'_2} \mathbf{R}_{n_2}(s_2, s'_2) = \sum_{s'_2 \in C'_2} \mathbf{R}_{n_2}(\hat{s}_2, s'_2) \text{ iff}$$

$$\sum_{s'_2 \in C'_2} \sum_{n_3 \in N_3} r_{n_2, n_3}(s_2, s'_2) \mathbf{R}_{n_3}(s_3, s'_3) = \sum_{s'_2 \in C'_2} \sum_{n_3 \in N_3} r_{n_2, n_3}(\hat{s}_2, s'_2) \mathbf{R}_{n_3}(s_3, s'_3)$$



Computation of Local Equivalence (3)

$$\sum_{s'_2 \in C_2} \sum_{n_3 \in N_3} r_{n_2, n_3}(s_2, s'_2) \mathbf{R}_{n_3}(s_3, s'_3) = \sum_{s'_2 \in C_2} \sum_{n_3 \in N_3} r_{n_2, n_3}(\hat{s}_2, s'_2) \mathbf{R}_{n_3}(s_3, s'_3)$$

$$\text{iff } \sum_{n_3 \in N_3} \left[\sum_{s'_2 \in C_2} r_{n_2, n_3}(s_2, s'_2) \right] \mathbf{R}_{n_3}(s_3, s'_3) = \sum_{n_3 \in N_3} \left[\sum_{s'_2 \in C_2} r_{n_2, n_3}(\hat{s}_2, s'_2) \right] \mathbf{R}_{n_3}(s_3, s'_3) \quad (1)$$

- (1) holds if $\sum_{s'_2 \in C_2} r_{n_2, n_3}(s_2, s'_2) = \sum_{s'_2 \in C_2} r_{n_2, n_3}(\hat{s}_2, s'_2)$
 - Equality testing involves $|\mathcal{S}_2| \times |\mathcal{S}_2|$ matrices, i.e., local conditions

Compositional: Performance Study

◆ Tandem network

- Jobs are served in two phases
 - ◆ MSMQ polling-based system (4 queues, 3 servers)
 - ◆ Hypercube multiprocessor
- 3-level MD and MDD

J	SS size					
	unlumped			lumped		
	$ \mathcal{S}_1 $	$ \mathcal{S}_2 $	$ \mathcal{S}_3 $	$ \tilde{\mathcal{S}}_1 $	$ \tilde{\mathcal{S}}_2 $	$ \tilde{\mathcal{S}}_3 $
1	2	650	160	2	30	40
2	3	3,575	700	3	178	175
3	4	14,300	2,220	4	803	555

J	overall SS size		# of MD nodes	generation time (s)	lumping time (s)
	unlumped	lumped			
1	22,100	395	7	0.05	0.04
2	197,600	4,075	10	0.8	0.26
3	1,236,300	28,090	13	12.1	1.8

Conclusion

◆ State-level lumping

- Suffers from handling very large state spaces, matrices

◆ Model-level lumping

- Various options, formalism dependent
 - ◆ Stochastic Well-formed Nets (SWNs)
 - ◆ Mobius Rep/Join and Graph Composed models
 - ◆ Superposed GSPNs

◆ Compositional lumping

- Based on congruence:
 - ◆ Automata with parallel composition
 - PEPA, Superposed GSPNs, ...
- Based on symbolic matrix representation
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