Assignment for VDS Class Project

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1 Part 3

In the last part, the existing implementation is to be extended by a practical application of BDD. Using BDDs, it is possible to symbolically represent a state-space. This representation allows to check quickly, whether a specific state is within the reachable state space or not. This part starts after the presentation of *Symbolic Traversal* in the lecture.

- Read the provided example below, it explains how BDDs are used to compute the reachable state space

- Download and integrate the source code with the interface for the extension from the OLAT platform

- Find the description of the methods in the interface

- Develop the *Reachability* class including test coverage (TDD optional). It inherits the functionality from your previously implemented Manager class and provides new functions to compute the reachable state space.

- The implementation is done, when our tests hold on the design. This time, also error handling should be considered as described in the function documentation.

2 Symbolic Traversal

The *Symbolic Traversal* algorithm is presented in the lecture in chapter 5. We now want to present an example of how the algorithm should be implemented within our BDD package. For a detailed description of the symbolic traversal, please refer to the lecture slides.

Given a state machine with two state variables s_0 and s_1, no inputs and $S_{init} = (0, 0)$:

$$\delta = \begin{cases} s_0' = \bar{s}_0 \\ s_1' = \bar{s}_1 \end{cases}$$

1. Create variables for the current and next state bits s_0, s_1, s_0' and s_1'

2. Compute the BDD for δ:
$$\delta_0 = \bar{s}_0, \delta_1 = \bar{s}_1$$

3. Compute the BDD for the transition relation $\tau = (s_0'\delta_0 + s_0'\delta_0') * (s_1'\delta_1 + s_1'\delta_1')$

4. Compute the BDD for the characteristic function of the initial state (0,0):
$$c_s = (s_0 == 0) * (s_1 == 0) = \overline{(s_0 \oplus 0)} * \overline{(s_1 \oplus 0)}$$

5.
$$c_{R_{it}} = c_s$$

6.
$$c_R = c_{R_{it}}$$

7. Compute the BDD for $img(s_0', s_1') = \exists_{s_0}\exists_{s_1} c_R * \tau$ by using the Manager functions:
$$temp1 = c_R * \tau$$
$$temp2 = coFactorTrue(temp1, s_1) + coFactorFalse(temp1, s_1)$$
$$img(s_0', s_1') = coFactorTrue(temp2, s_0) + coFactorFalse(temp2, s_0)$$

8. Compute $img(s_0, s_1) = \exists_{s_0'}\exists_{s_1'} (s_0 == s_0') * (s_1 == s_1') * img(s_0', s_1')$
$$temp1 = \overline{(s_0 \oplus s_0')} * \overline{(s_1 \oplus s_1')} * img(s_0', s_1')$$
$$temp2 = coFactorTrue(temp1, s_1') + coFactorFalse(temp1, s_1')$$
$$img(s_0, s_1) = coFactorTrue(temp2, s_0') + coFactorFalse(temp2, s_0')$$

9. Compute the BDD for the new $c_{R_{it}} = c_R + img(s_0, s_1)$

10. Check if $c_{R_{it}} == c_R$ In the first iteration, c_R consists of (0,0) and (1,1), whereas $c_{R_{it}}$ consists of (1,1). Therefore, it is not a fixed point and we have to go back to step 7 and perform a second iteration.

11. After the second iteration, $c_{R_{it}} == c_R$ holds and we reached a fixed point. c_R is now the symbolic representation of the set of reachable states. In this particular example, c_R represents the function $f = s_0 s_1 + \bar{s}_0 \bar{s}_1$ which is true if and only if the system is in a reachable state.