## Model Checking and Strategy Synthesis for Multi-Agent Systems for Resource Allocation – Proofs

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## 1 Theorems

**Theorem 1 (Model Checking).** Let  $[M, s \models_k \langle\!\langle A, \Sigma \rangle\!\rangle \varphi]$  be a strategic bounded model checking problem and let  $[M, \langle\!\langle A, \Sigma \rangle\!\rangle \varphi, k]$  be its encoding over Vars. Then:

$$[M, s \models_k \langle\!\langle A, \Sigma \rangle\!\rangle \varphi] \equiv \mathbf{sat}([M, \langle\!\langle A, \Sigma \rangle\!\rangle \varphi, k])$$

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**Theorem 2 (Strategy Synthesis).** Let  $[M, s \models_k \langle \langle A, \Sigma \rangle \rangle \varphi]$  be a strategic bounded model checking problem, let  $[M, \langle \langle A, \Sigma \rangle \rangle \varphi, k]$  be its encoding over Vars and let  $\alpha : Vars \to \{0, 1\}$  with  $\alpha([M, \langle \langle A, \Sigma \rangle \rangle \varphi, k]) = 1$ . Then for the strategy

$$\alpha_A = (\{(s_a, act^a) \mid s_a \in S_a \land act^a \in Act \land \alpha([s_a.act^a]) = \mathbf{1}\}_{a \in A})$$

the following holds:  $\forall \pi \in \Pi(s, \alpha_A, \Sigma) : [M, \pi \models_k \varphi].$ 

Thus, from a truth assignment  $\alpha$  that satisfies the encoding we can directly derive a corresponding uniform strategy  $\alpha_A$  that guarantees  $\varphi$ . The correctness of Theorem 1 and Theorem 2 is closely linked.

## Proof Sketch.

It can be shown that every satisfying truth assignment of [M,k] characterises a k-bounded path in the state space of M that is conform with the evolution. Yet, such a path may not be conform with the protocol.  $[M,k] \wedge [\varphi,k]$  is satisfied for assignments that characterise paths of M for which the property  $\varphi$  holds. The conjunction of this encoding with  $[M,\langle\langle A\rangle\rangle,k]$  adds the constraint that the agents in A must follow a uniform strategy that is conform with the protocol. Assuming that  $\beta$  is a protocol-conform strategy for the opposition  $B = Agt \setminus A$  and by adding  $[\beta,k]$  to the encoding we restrict the paths to those where the opposition adheres to  $\beta$ . This can be generalised to having a set  $\Sigma$  of possible strategies for B. We finally get that the overall propositional formula is satisfiable if and only if the encoded model checking problem holds. Moreover, the strategic decision encodings  $[s_a.act^a]$  that evaluate to true for a satisfying assignment  $\alpha$  are exactly those that characterise the winning strategy for the coalition A.  $\square$ 

## References