

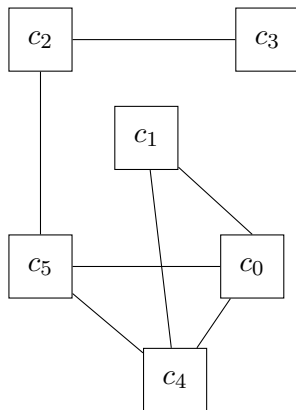
Reasoning with Metric Temporal Logic and Resettable Skewed Clocks

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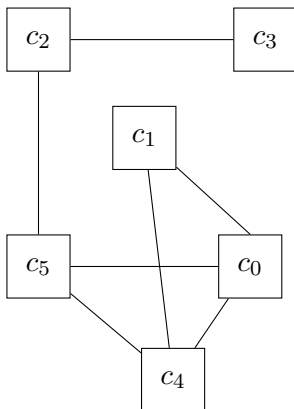
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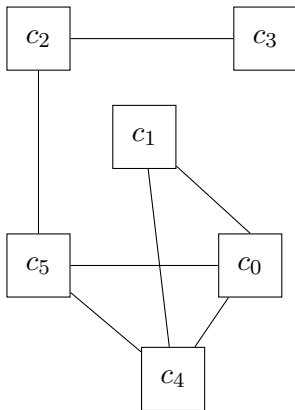
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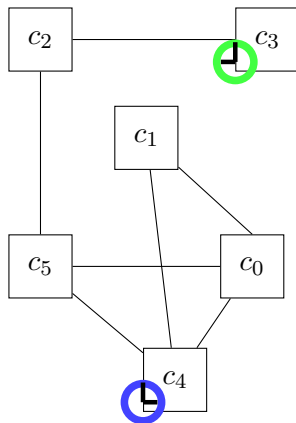
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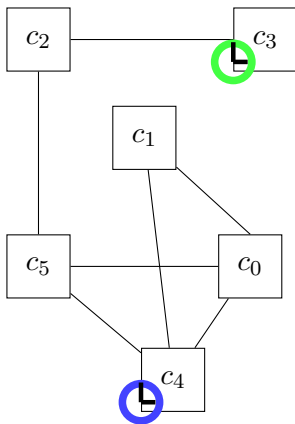
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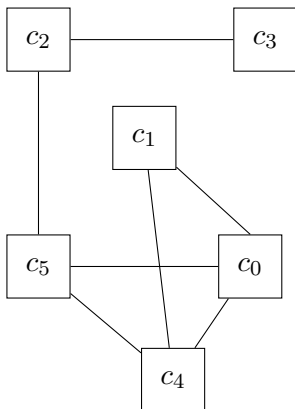
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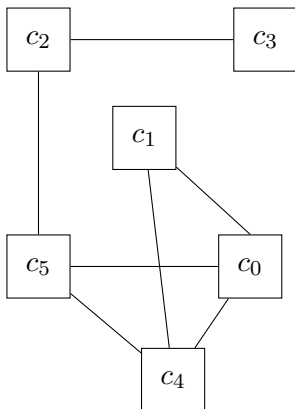
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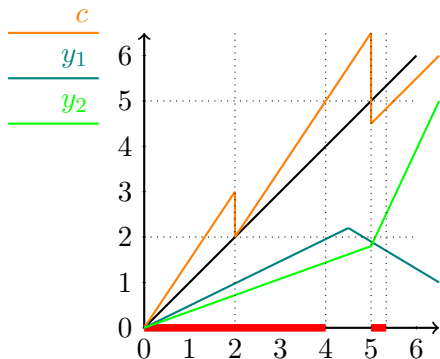
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Verification of timed properties: MTL

Clock synchronization: Non-monotonicity problem



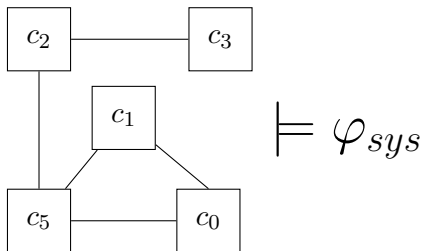
- Distributed MTL: U_I^c
- Time can decrease with resets
- Timed model checking relies on *time monotonicity*
- Non-monotonic MTL only studied theoretically (data-words + decidability) (Carapelle *et al.*, 2014)



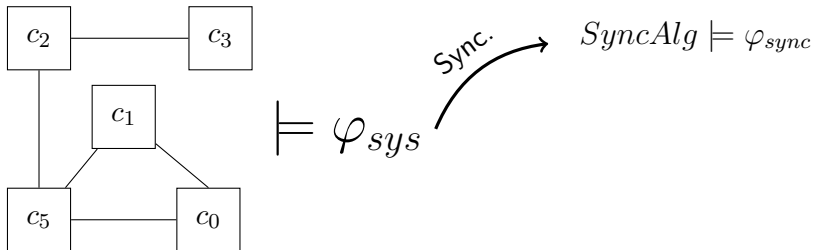
- $\varphi_i := G_{\leq 5}^c(y_i \leq 2) \ \forall i \in \{1, 2\}$
- φ_i holds iff $y_i \leq 2$ holds in $[0, 4]$ and $[5, 16/3]$

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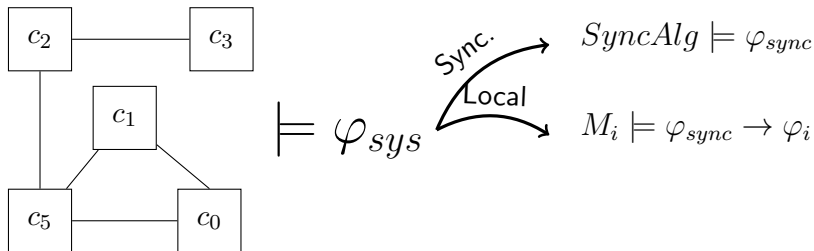
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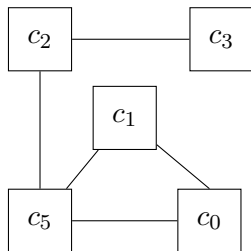
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$$\models \varphi_{sys} \begin{cases} \text{Sync.} \rightarrow SyncAlg \models \varphi_{sync} \\ \text{Local} \rightarrow M_i \models \varphi_{sync} \rightarrow \varphi_i \\ \text{Global} \rightarrow \bigotimes_i (\varphi_i) \wedge \varphi_{sync} \rightarrow \varphi_{sys} \end{cases}$$

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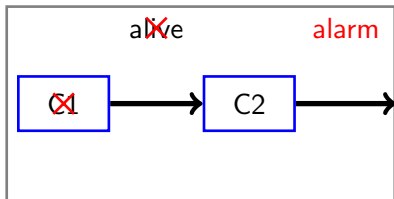
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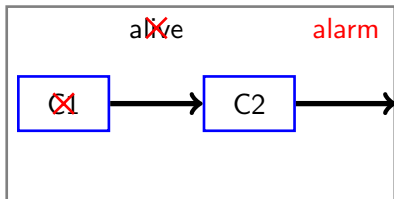
- Extend MTL referring bounds to clock values, $F^c_{\leq 5}a$
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- Clock assumptions:
 - 1 Clocks are *differentiable* in *dense* intervals $\frac{d\pi(t)(c)}{dt} \in [1 - \epsilon, 1 + \epsilon]$
 - 2 Clocks diverge

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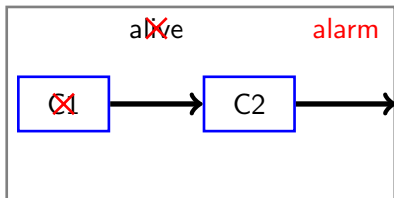
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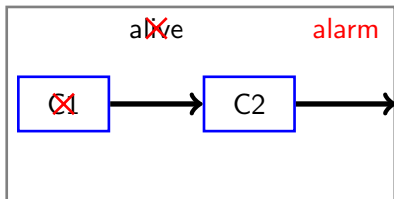
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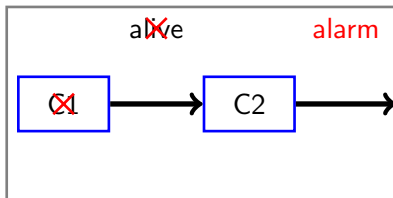
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"Compositional" case:

- $\psi_{sync} :=$
 $G \bigwedge_{i \in \{1,2\}} (F_{\leq q}^{cl_i} (next(cl_i) = cl) \wedge (change(cl_i) \rightarrow next(cl_i) = cl))$
- Prove $\psi_{sync} \rightarrow G(|cl_1 - cl_2| \leq r)$
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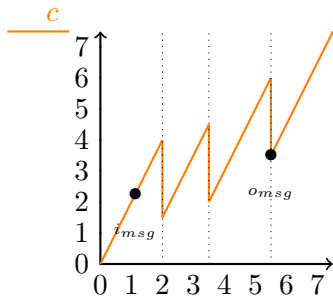
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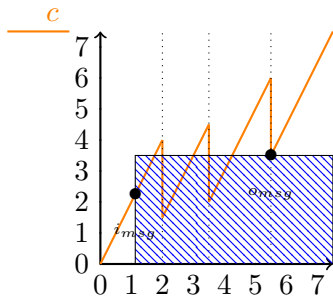


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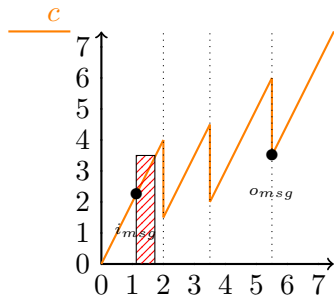
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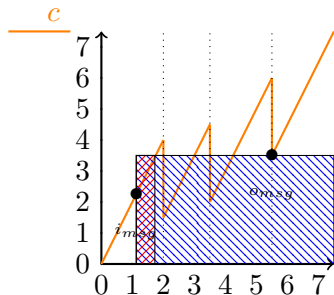
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High level idea:

Reduce to LTL- \mathcal{T} model checking (inspired by (Cimatti *et al.*, 2019)):

- 1 Consider a "convenient" intermediate logic
- 2 Encode *MTLSK* into that logic
- 3 Discretize model + logic (from $(-)\longrightarrow\bullet$ to $\bullet\longrightarrow\bullet\longrightarrow\bullet$)
- 4 Encode intermediate logic to LTL- \mathcal{T}

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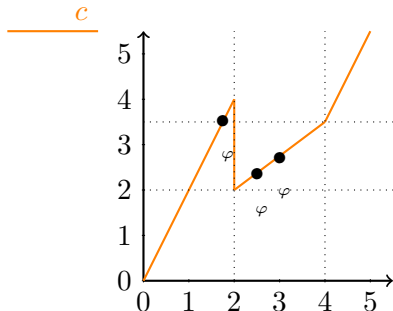
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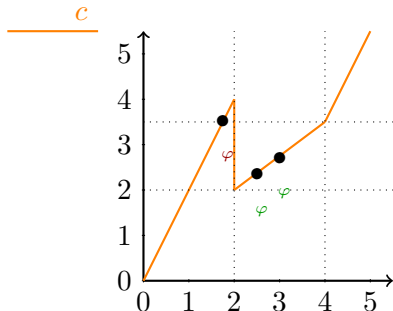
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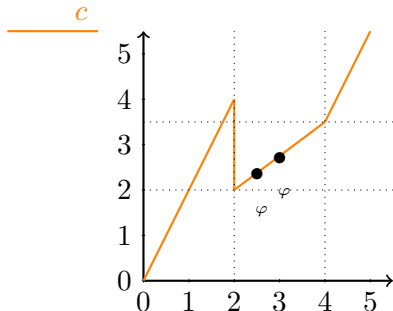
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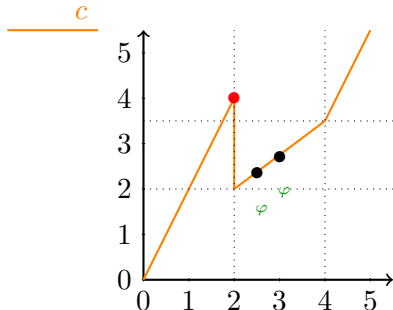
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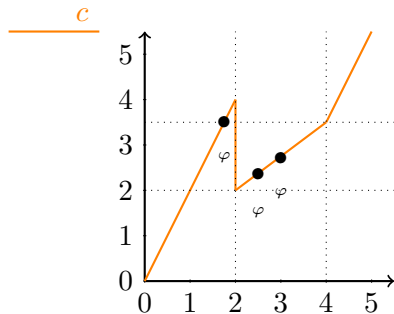
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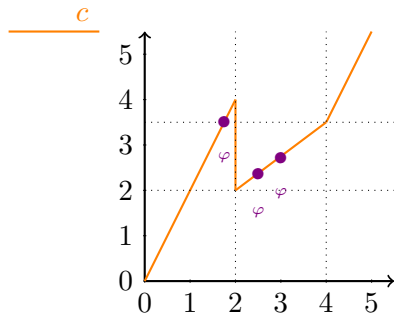
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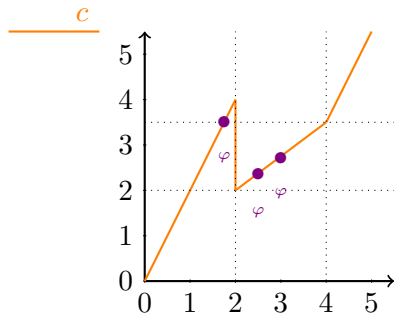
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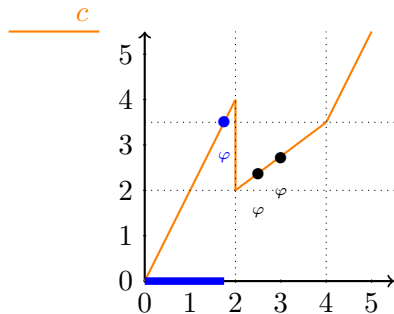
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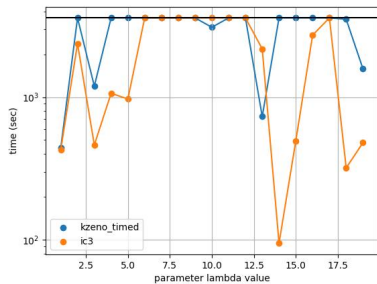
- ≈ 400 valid instances (per alg.): < 2 sec ≈ 40 , < 10 sec ≈ 90 , < 2 min ≈ 190 and < 10 min ≈ 270
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Result table (subset)

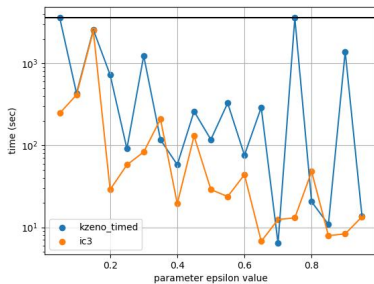
Formula	Time in sec.	λ	ϵ	alg	valid
$G(\overline{F}_{\leq p}^c a \rightarrow F_{\leq p}^c a)$	2.81	any	any	ic3	True
$F(c = p) \rightarrow F(((\overline{G}_{< p}^c a) \wedge (\overline{G}_{> p}^c \neg a)) \rightarrow \perp)$	3.62	any	0.4	kzeno	True
$(q \geq p) \rightarrow G((\overline{G}_{\leq q}^c a) \rightarrow (\overline{G}_{\leq p}^c a))$	0.38	any	any	ic3	True
$G_{\leq p}^c a \rightarrow G(a \vee c > p)$	9.03	any	any	kzeno	True
$G_{\leq p}^c a \rightarrow G(a \vee c > p)$	1.09	any	any	ic3	True
$(q \geq p) \rightarrow G((G_{> p}^c a) \rightarrow (G_{> q}^c a))$	2.22	any	any	ic3	True
$\Phi_{exp} := q = p(2 + \epsilon) + 2\lambda \wedge (G(fault \rightarrow G\neg alive) \wedge G(\overline{G}_{\leq p}^{cl} \neg alive \rightarrow (\overline{F}_{\leq p}^{cl} alarm))) \rightarrow G(fault \rightarrow F_{[0,q]} alarm)$	94.26	14.0	0.1	ic3	True
$(G((Reset(cl1) \rightarrow next(cl1) = cl) \wedge (\neg Reset(cl))) \wedge GF_{\leq q}^{cl}(next(cl) = cl1)) \rightarrow G(cl - cl1 \leq q * (1 + 2\epsilon/(1 - \epsilon)))$	7.05	any	any	kzeno	True
$G(f \rightarrow \overline{G}_{\leq p}^{cl1} \neg alv) \wedge G(\overline{G}_{\leq p-4r}^{cl2} \neg alv \rightarrow (\overline{F}_{\leq p}^{cl2} alm)) \rightarrow G(f \rightarrow \overline{F}_{\leq p+2r}^{cl} alm)$	19.86	any	any	ic3	True
$G(F_{\leq p}^c a \rightarrow \overline{F}_{\leq p}^c a)$	0.27	any	any	bmc	False
$G((a \vee Xa) \rightarrow (F_{\leq 0}^c a \wedge F_{> 0}^c a))$	0.18	any	any	bmc	False
Bounded Response invalid with 11 clocks	1.36	any	any	bmc	False

Table: Some MTL SK properties and their verification results.

Results - λ and ϵ

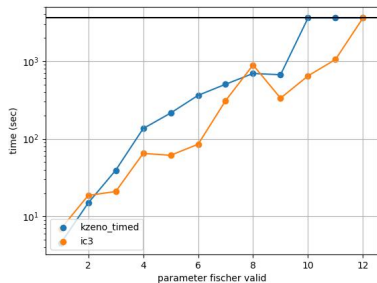


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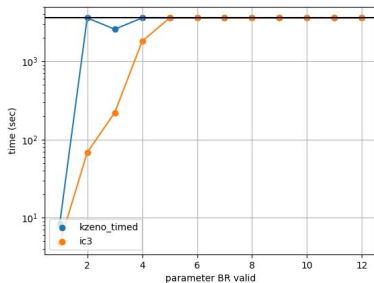


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Results - parametric formulae



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Future work:

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- Study async compositional with I/O components as in (Bombardelli & Tonetta, 2022)
- Case studies on Biphase Mark protocol, 8N1 protocol,
- Relax constraints on clocks for synchronization algorithms

Questions?

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- *Super-dense:* (weakly-monotonic)
 - 1 $T \subset \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{R}_0^+$ s.t. I_0, I_1, \dots are almost-adjacents time intervals over \mathbb{R}_0^+ and $I_i = \{r \mid \langle i, r \rangle \in T\}$
 - 2 $\mathbf{0} = \langle 0, 0 \rangle$, $\nu(\langle i, r \rangle) = r$
 - 3 $\langle i, r \rangle < \langle i', r' \rangle$ iff $i < i'$ or $i = i'$ and $r < r'$

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\mathcal{D} discretization (based on (Cimatti et al., 2019))

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\mathcal{D} discretization (contd)

$$\mathcal{D}(X\varphi) := \iota \wedge X(\iota \wedge \mathcal{D}(\varphi))$$

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