**Definition 1.** The two reward functions  $\mathcal{R}_1: S^{\otimes} \times 2^{E^{\otimes}} \to \mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathcal{R}_2: S^{\otimes} \times E^{\otimes} \times S^{\otimes} \to \mathbb{R}$  are defined as follows.

$$\mathcal{R}_1(s^{\otimes}, \pi) = \begin{cases} r_n |\pi| & \text{if } [s^{\otimes}]_q \notin SinkSet, \\ 0 & \text{if } [s^{\otimes}]_q \in SinkSet, \end{cases}$$
 (1)

where |E| means number of elements in the set E and  $r_n$  is a positive value.

$$\mathcal{R}_{2}(s^{\otimes}, e, s^{\otimes'}) = \begin{cases}
r_{p} & \text{if } \exists i \in \{1, \dots, n\}, \ (s^{\otimes}, e, s^{\otimes'}) \in \bar{F}_{i}^{\otimes}, \\
r_{sink} & \text{if } [s^{\otimes'}]_{q} \in SinkSet, \\
0 & \text{otherwise,}
\end{cases}$$
(2)

where  $r_p$  and  $r_{sink}$  are the positive and negative value, respectively.

**Lemma 1.** For any policy  $\pi$  and any recurrent class  $R_{\pi}^{\otimes i}$  in the Markov chain  $MC_{\pi}^{\otimes}$ ,  $MC_{\pi}^{\otimes}$  satisfies one of the following conditions.

1. 
$$\delta_{\pi,i}^{\otimes} \cap \bar{F}_i^{\otimes} \neq \emptyset$$
,  $\forall j \in \{1,\ldots,n\}$ ,

2. 
$$\delta_{\pi,i}^{\otimes} \cap \bar{F}_i^{\otimes} = \emptyset$$
,  $\forall j \in \{1,\ldots,n\}$ .

For a Markov chain  $MC_{SV}^{\otimes}$  induced by a product MDP  $D^{\otimes}$  with a supervisor SV, let  $S_{SV}^{\otimes} = T_{SV}^{\otimes} \sqcup R_{SV}^{\otimes 1} \sqcup \ldots \sqcup R_{SV}^{\otimes h}$  be the set of states in  $MC_{SV}^{\otimes}$ , where  $T_{SV}^{\otimes}$  is the set of transient states and  $R_{SV}^{\otimes i}$  is the recurrent class for each  $i \in \{1, \ldots, h\}$ , and let  $R(MC_{SV}^{\otimes})$  be the union of all recurrent classes in  $MC_{SV}^{\otimes}$ . Let  $\delta_{SV,i}^{\otimes}$  be the set of transitions in a recurrent class  $R_{SV}^{\otimes i}$ , namely  $\delta_{SV,i}^{\otimes} = \{(s^{\otimes}, e, s^{\otimes'}) \in \delta^{\otimes}; s^{\otimes} \in R_{SV}^{\otimes i}, \ P_T^{\otimes}(s^{\otimes'}|s^{\otimes}, e) > 0, P_E^{\otimes}(e|s^{\otimes}, SV(s^{\otimes})) > 0\}$ , and let  $P_{SV}^{\otimes} : S_{SV}^{\otimes} \times S_{SV}^{\otimes} \to [0, 1]$  such that  $P_{SV}^{\otimes}(s^{\otimes'}|s^{\otimes}) = \sum_{e \in SV(s^{\otimes})} P_T^{\otimes}(s^{\otimes'}|s^{\otimes}, e) P_E^{\otimes}(e|s^{\otimes}, SV(s^{\otimes}))$  be the transition probability under SV.

**Definition 2.** An accepting recurrent class is defined as the recurrent class whose at least one accepting transition in each accepting set  $\bar{F}_j^{\otimes}$  with  $j \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$ .

**Theorem 1.** Let  $M^{\otimes}$  be the product DES corresponding to a DES M and an LTL formula  $\varphi$ . Let  $\mathcal{R}_1$  be a reward function for control patterns. If there exists a supervisor SV satisfying  $\varphi$  and it satisfies that there is no state  $s^{\otimes} \in S_{SV}^{\otimes}$  reachable from initial state  $s_{init}^{\otimes}$  such that  $[\![s^{\otimes}]\!]_q \in SinkSet$ , then there exist a discount factor  $\gamma^*$ , a positive reward  $r_p^*(\mathcal{R}_1)$  that is a function of  $\mathcal{R}_1$  and satisfies  $r_p^*(\mathcal{R}_1) >> ||\mathcal{R}_1||_{\infty}$ , and a negative reward  $r_{sink}^*$  that is a function of  $r_p$  and  $\mathcal{R}_1$  and satisfies  $r_{sink}(r_p, \mathcal{R}_1) << -(r_p + ||\mathcal{R}_1||_{\infty})$  such that any algorithm that maximizes the expected discounted reward with  $\gamma > \gamma^*$ ,  $r_p > r_p^*(\mathcal{R}_1)$ , and  $r_{sink} < r_{sink}^*(r_p^*, \mathcal{R}_1)$  will find, with probability one, a supervisor satisfying  $\varphi$  and it satisfies that there is no state  $s^{\otimes} \in S_{SV}^{\otimes}$  reachable from initial state  $s_{init}^{\otimes}$  such that  $[\![s^{\otimes}]\!]_q \in SinkSet$ .

Proof. Suppose that  $SV^*$  be an optimal supervisor but does not satisfy the LTL formula  $\varphi$  or there is a state  $s_{sink}^{\otimes}$  reachable from the initial state such that  $[s_{sink}^{\otimes}]_q \in SinkSet$  under the supervisor  $SV^*$ . Then, for any recurrent class  $R_{SV^*}^{\otimes i}$  in the Markov chain  $MC_{SV^*}^{\otimes}$  and any accepting set  $\bar{F}_j^{\otimes}$  of the product DES  $M^{\otimes}$ ,  $\delta_{SV^*,i}^{\otimes} \cap \bar{F}_j^{\otimes} = \emptyset$  holds for the first case by Lemma 1 and there is a recurrent class  $R_{SV^*}^{\otimes i}$  such that  $s_{sink}^{\otimes} \in R_{SV^*}^{\otimes i}$  for the second case. We consider the two cases separately.

1. Assume that  $SV^*$  does not the LTL formula  $\varphi$ . By the assumption, the system under the supervisor  $SV^*$  can obtain rewards only in the set of transient states. We consider the best scenario in the assumption. Let  $p^k(s,s')$  be the probability of going to a state s' in k time steps after leaving the state s, and let  $Post(T_{SV^*}^{\otimes})$  be the set of states in recurrent classes that can be transitioned from states in  $T_{SV^*}^{\otimes}$  by one event occurrence. For the initial state  $s_{init}^{\otimes}$  in the set of transient states, it holds that

$$V^{SV^*}(s_{init}^{\otimes}) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^{\otimes} \in T_{SV^*}^{\otimes}} \gamma^k p^k(s_{init}^{\otimes}, s^{\otimes})$$

$$\sum_{s^{\otimes'} \in T_{SV^*}^{\otimes} \cup Post(T_{\pi^*}^{\otimes})} \sum_{e \in SV(s^{\otimes})} P_T^{\otimes}(s^{\otimes'}|s^{\otimes}, e) P_E^{\otimes}(e|s^{\otimes}, SV(s^{\otimes})) \mathcal{R}(s^{\otimes}, SV(s^{\otimes}), e, s^{\otimes'})$$

$$\leq r_p \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^{\otimes} \in T_{SV^*}^{\otimes}} \gamma^k p^k(s_{init}^{\otimes}, s^{\otimes}) + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \gamma^k ||\mathcal{R}_1||_{\infty}.$$

By the property of the transient states, for any state  $s^{\otimes}$  in  $T_{SV^*}^{\otimes}$ , there exists a bounded positive value m such that  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \gamma^k p^k(s_{init}^{\otimes}, s^{\otimes}) \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p^k(s_{init}^{\otimes}, s^{\otimes}) < m$  [1]. Therefore, there exists a bounded positive value  $\bar{m}$  such that  $V^{SV^*}(s_{init}^{\otimes}) < \bar{m} + \frac{1}{1-\gamma}||\mathcal{R}_1||_{\infty}$ .

2. Assume that there is a state  $s_{sink}^{\otimes}$  reachable from the initial state such that  $\llbracket s_{sink}^{\otimes} 
Vert_q \in SinkSet$  under  $SV^*$ . By the assumption, there is a recurrent class  $R_{SV^*}^{\otimes i}$  reachable from the initial state such that  $s_{sink}^{\otimes} \in R_{SV^*}^{\otimes i}$ . We consider the best scenario in the assumption. We assume that all of the recurrent classes except for  $R_{SV^*}^{\otimes i}$  are the accepting recurrent classes and there exist a number l>0, a state  $s_{sink}^{\otimes}$  in  $Post(T_{SV^*}^{\otimes}) \cap R_{SV^*}^{\otimes i}$ , and a subset of transient states  $\{s_1^{\otimes},\ldots,s_{l-1}^{\otimes}\} \subset T_{SV^*}^{\otimes}$  such that  $p(s_{init}^{\otimes},s_1^{\otimes})>0$ ,  $p(s_i^{\otimes},s_{i+1}^{\otimes})>0$  for  $i\in\{1,\ldots,l-2\}$ , and  $p(s_{l-1}^{\otimes},s_{sink}^{\otimes})>0$  by the property of transient states. We have

$$V^{SV^*}(s_{init}^{\otimes}) < Pr_{SV^*}^{M^{\otimes}}(s_{init}^{\otimes} \models \varphi) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \gamma^k (r_p + ||\mathcal{R}_1||_{\infty}) + \gamma^l p^l(s_{init}^{\otimes}, s_{sink}^{\otimes}) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \gamma^k r_{sink}$$

$$+Pr_{SV^*}^{M^{\otimes}}(s_{init}^{\otimes} \not\models \varphi)(r_p + ||\mathcal{R}_1||_{\infty}) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^{\otimes} \in T_{\pi^*}^{\otimes}} \gamma^k p^k(s_{init}^{\otimes}, s^{\otimes})$$

$$< \frac{1}{1-\gamma} \{ Pr_{SV^*}^{M^{\otimes}}(s_{init}^{\otimes} \models \varphi)(r_p + ||\mathcal{R}_1||_{\infty}) + \gamma^l p^l(s_{init}^{\otimes}, s_{sink}^{\otimes}) r_{sink} \} + \bar{m}',$$

where  $\bar{m}'$  is a constant such that  $\bar{m}' > Pr_{SV^*}^{M^{\otimes}}(s_{init}^{\otimes} \not\models \varphi)(r_p + ||\mathcal{R}_1||_{\infty}) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^{\otimes} \in T_{\pi^*}^{\otimes}} \gamma^k p^k(s_{init}^{\otimes}, s^{\otimes}).$ Therefore, if it holds that  $r_{sink} \leq -\frac{Pr_{SV^*}^{M^{\otimes}}(s_{init}^{\otimes} \models \varphi)}{\gamma^l p^l(s_{init}^{\otimes}, s_{sink}^{\otimes})}(r_p + ||\mathcal{R}_1||_{\infty}),$  we then have  $V^{SV^*}(s_{init}^{\otimes}) < \bar{m}'$  for any  $\gamma \in [0, 1)$ .

Let SV be a supervisor satisfying  $\varphi$  and it satisfies that there is no state  $s^{\otimes} \in S_{SV}^{\otimes}$  reachable from initial state  $s_{init}^{\otimes}$  such that  $[\![s^{\otimes}]\!]_q \in SinkSet$ . We consider the following two cases.

1. Assume that the initial state  $s_{init}^{\otimes}$  is in a recurrent class  $R_{\bar{\pi}}^{\otimes i}$  for some  $i \in \{1,\ldots,h\}$ . For any accepting set  $\bar{F}_j^{\otimes}$ ,  $\delta_{\bar{\pi},i}^{\otimes} \cap \bar{F}_j^{\otimes} \neq \emptyset$  holds by the definition of  $\bar{\pi}$ . The expected discounted reward for  $s_{init}^{\otimes}$  is given by

$$V^{\bar{SV}}(s_{init}^{\otimes}) = \mathbb{E}^{SV}[\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \gamma^k \mathcal{R}(s_k, \pi_k, e_k, s_{k+1}) | s_0 = s_{init}^{\otimes}]$$
 (3)

Since  $s_{init}^{\otimes}$  is in  $R_{\pi}^{\otimes i}$ , there exists a set of positive numbers  $K=\{k\;;\;k\geq n, p^k(s_{init}^{\otimes}, s_{init}^{\otimes})>0\}$  [1]. We consider the worst scenario of returning the initial state in this case. For the stopping time k of first returning to the initial state, it holds that

$$\begin{split} V^{\bar{\pi}}(s_{init}^{\otimes})> & \mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[\gamma^{k-1}r_p + \gamma^{k-1}V^{\bar{\pi}}(s_{init}^{\otimes})|s_0 = s_{init}^{\otimes}] \\ \geq & \gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k-1|s_0 = s_{init}^{\otimes}]}r_p + \gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k-1|s_0 = s_{init}^{\otimes}]}V^{\bar{\pi}}(s_{init}^{\otimes}) \\ = & \frac{\gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k-1|s_0 = s_{init}^{\otimes}]}r_p}{1 - \gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k-1|s_0 = s_{init}^{\otimes}]}}, \end{split}$$

where second inequality holds since it holds that  $\mathbb{E}^{S\bar{V}}[\gamma^k|s_0=s_{init}^{\otimes}] \geq \gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{S\bar{V}}[k|s_0=s_{init}^{\otimes}]}$  by Jensen's inequality. If it holds that  $\gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{S\bar{V}}[k-1|s_0=s_{init}^{\otimes}]}r_p^* > (1+\ldots+\gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{S\bar{V}}[k|s_0=s_{init}^{\otimes}]})||\mathcal{R}_1||_{\infty}$ , we then have  $\frac{\gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{S\bar{V}}[k-1|s_0=s_{init}^{\otimes}]}}{1-\gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{S\bar{V}}[k-1|s_0=s_{init}^{\otimes}]}}r_p > \frac{1}{1-\gamma}||\mathcal{R}_1||_{\infty}$ . Therefore, for any positive value  $r_{sink}$  for the reward function  $\mathcal{R}_1$ , there exist  $\gamma^* < 1$  and a positive reward  $r_p^*$  that satisfies  $\gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{S\bar{V}}[k-1|s_0=s_{init}^{\otimes}]}r_p^* > (1+\ldots+\gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{S\bar{V}}[k|s_0=s_{init}^{\otimes}]})||\mathcal{R}_1||_{\infty}$  such that  $\gamma > \gamma^*$  and  $r_p > r_p^*$  imply  $V^{S\bar{V}}(s_{init}^{\otimes}) > V^{SV^*}(s_{init}^{\otimes})$ .

2. Assume that the initial state  $s_{init}^{\otimes}$  is in the set of transient states  $T_{S\bar{V}}^{\otimes}.P_{S\bar{V}}^{M\otimes}(s_{init}^{\otimes} \models \varphi) > 0$  holds by the definition of  $S\bar{V}$ . For a recurrent class  $R_{S\bar{V}}^{\otimes i}$  such that  $\delta_{S\bar{V},i}^{\otimes} \cap \bar{F}_{j}^{\otimes} \neq \emptyset$  for each accepting set  $\bar{F}_{j}^{\otimes}$ , there exist a number l>0, a state  $\hat{s}^{\otimes}$  in  $Post(T_{S\bar{V}}^{\otimes}) \cap R_{S\bar{V}}^{\otimes i}$ , and a subset of transient states  $\{s_{1}^{\otimes},\ldots,s_{l-1}^{\otimes}\}\subset T_{S\bar{V}}^{\otimes}$  such that  $p(s_{init}^{\otimes},s_{1}^{\otimes})>0$ ,  $p(s_{i}^{\otimes},s_{i+1}^{\otimes})>0$  for  $i\in\{1,\ldots,l-2\}$ , and  $p(s_{l-1}^{\otimes},\hat{s}^{\otimes})>0$  by the property of transient states. Hence, it holds that  $p^{\bar{l}}(s_{init}^{\otimes},\hat{s}^{\otimes})>0$  for the state  $\hat{s}^{\otimes}$ . Thus, for the stopping time k of first returning to the state  $\hat{s}^{\otimes}$ , by ignoring positive rewards in  $T_{S\bar{V}}^{\otimes}$ , we have

$$\begin{split} &V^{SV}(s_{init}^{\otimes}) \\ =& \mathbb{E}^{SV}[\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \gamma^m \mathcal{R}(s_m, \bar{SV}(s_m), e_m, s_{m+1}) | s_0 = s_{init}^{\otimes}] \\ \geq& \mathbb{E}^{SV}[\gamma^l \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \gamma^m \mathcal{R}(s_{m+l}, \bar{SV}(s_{m+l}), e_{m+l}, s_{m+l+1}) | s_0 = s_{init}^{\otimes}] \\ \geq& \gamma^l p^l(s_{init}^{\otimes}, \hat{s}^{\otimes}) \mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[\gamma^{k-1} r_p + \gamma^{k-1} V^{\bar{SV}}(\hat{s}^{\otimes}) | s_l = \hat{s}^{\otimes}] \\ \geq& \gamma^l p^l(s_{init}^{\otimes}, \hat{s}^{\otimes}) \{ \gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k-1|s_l = \hat{s}^{\otimes}]} r_p + \gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k-1|s_l = \hat{s}^{\otimes}]} V^{\bar{SV}}(\hat{s}^{\otimes}) \} \\ =& \gamma^l p^l(s_{init}^{\otimes}, \hat{s}^{\otimes}) \frac{\gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k-1|s_l = \hat{s}^{\otimes}]} r_p}{1 - \gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k-1|s_l = \hat{s}^{\otimes}]}}, \end{split}$$

where  $\bar{l} = \mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[l|p^l(s_{init}^{\otimes}, \hat{s}^{\otimes}) > 0]$ . If it holds that  $\gamma^l p^l(s_{init}^{\otimes}, \hat{s}^{\otimes}) \gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{SV}[k-1|s_0 = s_{init}^{\otimes}]} r_p > (1+\ldots+\gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k|s_0 = s_{init}^{\otimes}]})||\mathcal{R}_1||_{\infty}$ , we then have  $\gamma^l p^l(s_{init}^{\otimes}, \hat{s}^{\otimes}) \frac{\gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k-1|s_l = \hat{s}^{\otimes}]}}{1-\gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k-1|s_l = \hat{s}^{\otimes}]}} r_p > \frac{1}{1-\gamma}||\mathcal{R}_1||_{\infty}$  for any  $\gamma \in [0,1)$ . Therefore, for any positive value  $r_{sink}$  for the reward function  $\mathcal{R}_1$ , there exist  $\gamma^* < 1$  and a positive reward  $r_p^*$  that satisfies  $\gamma^l p^l(s_{init}^{\otimes}, \hat{s}^{\otimes}) \gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k|s_l = \hat{s}^{\otimes}]} r_p^* > (1+\ldots+\gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k|s_l = \hat{s}^{\otimes}]})||\mathcal{R}_1||_{\infty}$  such that  $\gamma > \gamma^*$  and  $r_p > r_p^*$  imply  $V^{\bar{SV}}(s_{init}^{\otimes}) > V^{SV^*}(s_{init}^{\otimes})$ .

The results contradict the optimality assumption of  $SV^*$ 

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