

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

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

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

$$\mathcal{R}_2(s^\otimes, e, s^{\otimes'}) = \begin{cases} r_p & \text{if } \exists i \in \{1, \dots, n\}, (s^\otimes, e, s^{\otimes'}) \in \bar{F}_i^\otimes, \\ r_{\text{sink}} & \text{if } \llbracket s^{\otimes'} \rrbracket_q \in \text{SinkSet}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where  $r_p$  and  $r_{\text{sink}}$  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.  $\delta_{\pi, i}^\otimes \cap \bar{F}_j^\otimes \neq \emptyset, \forall j \in \{1, \dots, n\},$
2.  $\delta_{\pi, i}^\otimes \cap \bar{F}_j^\otimes = \emptyset, \forall j \in \{1, \dots, n\}.$

For a Markov chain  $MC_{SV}^\otimes$  induced by a product MDP  $D^\otimes$  with a supervisor  $SV$ , let  $S_{SV}^\otimes = T_{SV}^\otimes \sqcup R_{SV}^{\otimes 1} \sqcup \dots \sqcup R_{SV}^{\otimes h}$  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  $i \in \{1, \dots, h\}$ , 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  $P_{SV}^\otimes : S_{SV}^\otimes \times S_{SV}^\otimes \rightarrow [0, 1]$  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  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

**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  $\llbracket s^\otimes \rrbracket_q \in \text{SinkSet}$ , then there exist a discount factor  $\gamma^*$ , a positive reward  $r_p^*$  that satisfies  $r_p^* \gg \|\mathcal{R}_1\|_\infty$ , and a negative reward  $r_{\text{sink}}^*$  that satisfies  $r_{\text{sink}}^* \ll -(r_p + \|\mathcal{R}_1\|_\infty)$  such that any algorithm that maximizes the expected discounted reward with  $\gamma > \gamma^*$ ,  $r_p > r_p^*$ , and  $r_{\text{sink}} < r_{\text{sink}}^*$  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  $\llbracket s^\otimes \rrbracket_q \in \text{SinkSet}$ .

*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  $\llbracket s_{sink}^\otimes \rrbracket_q \in SinkSet$  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  $Post(T_{\pi^*}^\otimes)$  be the set of states in recurrent classes that can be transitioned from states in  $T_{\pi^*}^\otimes$  by one event occurrence. For the initial state  $s_{init}^\otimes$  in the set of transient states, it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} V^{SV^*}(s_{init}^\otimes) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\otimes \in T_{\pi^*}^\otimes} \gamma^k p^k(s_{init}^\otimes, s^\otimes) \\ &\quad \sum_{s^{\otimes'} \in T_{\pi^*}^\otimes \cup Post(T_{\pi^*}^\otimes)} \sum_{e \in SV(s^\otimes)} P_T^\otimes(s^{\otimes'} | s^\otimes, e) P_E^\otimes(e | s^\otimes, SV(s^\otimes)) \mathcal{R}(s^\otimes, SV(s^\otimes), e, s^{\otimes'}) \\ &\leq r_p \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\otimes \in T_{\pi^*}^\otimes} \gamma^k p^k(s_{init}^\otimes, s^\otimes) + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \gamma^k \|\mathcal{R}_1\|_\infty. \end{aligned}$$

By the property of the transient states, for any state  $s^\otimes$  in  $T_{\pi^*}^\otimes$ , 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  $\llbracket s_{sink}^\otimes \rrbracket_q \in SinkSet$  under  $SV^*$ . By the assumption, there is at least one 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  $\{s_1^\otimes, \dots, s_{l-1}^\otimes\} \subset T_{SV^*}^\otimes$  such that  $p(s_{init}^\otimes, s_1^\otimes) > 0$ ,  $p(s_i^\otimes, s_{i+1}^\otimes) > 0$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, l-2\}$ , and  $p(s_{l-1}^\otimes, s_{sink}^\otimes) > 0$  by the property of transient states. We have

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

$$\begin{aligned}
& +Pr_{SV^*}^{M^\otimes}(s_{init}^\otimes \not\models \varphi)(r_p + \|\mathcal{R}_1\|_\infty) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s^\otimes \in T_{\pi^*}^\otimes} \gamma^k p^k(s_{init}^\otimes, s^\otimes) \\
& < \frac{1}{1-\gamma} \{Pr_{SV^*}^{M^\otimes}(s_{init}^\otimes \models \varphi)(r_p + \|\mathcal{R}_1\|_\infty) + \gamma^l p^l(s_{init}^\otimes, s_{sink}^\otimes) r_{sink}\} + \bar{m}',
\end{aligned}$$

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  $\bar{SV}$  be a supervisor satisfying  $\varphi$  and it satisfies that there is no state  $s^\otimes \in S_{\bar{SV}}^\otimes$  reachable from initial state  $s_{init}^\otimes$  such that  $\llbracket s^\otimes \rrbracket_q \in SinkSet$ . 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  $i \in \{1, \dots, h\}$ . 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

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

Since  $s_{init}^\otimes$  is in  $R_{\bar{\pi}}^{\otimes i}$ , 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

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

where second inequality holds since it holds that  $\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[\gamma^k | s_0 = s_{init}^\otimes] \geq \gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k | s_0 = s_{init}^\otimes]}$  by Jensen's inequality. If it holds that  $\gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k-1 | s_0 = s_{init}^\otimes]} r_p^* > (1 + \dots + \gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k | s_0 = s_{init}^\otimes]}) \|\mathcal{R}_1\|_\infty$ , we then have  $\frac{\gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k-1 | s_0 = s_{init}^\otimes]} r_p}{1 - \gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k-1 | s_0 = s_{init}^\otimes]}} r_p > \frac{1}{1-\gamma} \|\mathcal{R}_1\|_\infty$ . 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  $\gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k-1 | s_0 = s_{init}^\otimes]} r_p^* > (1 + \dots + \gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{\bar{SV}}[k | s_0 = s_{init}^\otimes]}) \|\mathcal{R}_1\|_\infty$  such that  $\gamma > \gamma^*$  and  $r_p > r_p^*$  imply  $V^{\bar{SV}}(s_{init}^\otimes) > V^{SV^*}(s_{init}^\otimes)$ .

2. Assume that the initial state  $s_{init}^\otimes$  is in the set of transient states  $T_{SV}^\otimes.P_{SV}^{M^\otimes}(s_{init}^\otimes \models \varphi) > 0$  holds by the definition of  $\bar{SV}$ . For a recurrent class  $R_{SV}^{\otimes i}$  such that  $\delta_{SV,i}^\otimes \cap \bar{F}_j^\otimes \neq \emptyset$  for each accepting set  $\bar{F}_j^\otimes$ , there exist a number  $l > 0$ , a state  $\hat{s}^\otimes$  in  $Post(T_{SV}^\otimes) \cap R_{SV}^{\otimes i}$ , and a subset of transient states  $\{s_1^\otimes, \dots, s_{l-1}^\otimes\} \subset T_{SV}^\otimes$  such that  $p(s_{init}^\otimes, s_1^\otimes) > 0$ ,  $p(s_i^\otimes, s_{i+1}^\otimes) > 0$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, l-2\}$ , 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  $T_{SV}^\otimes$ , we have

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

where  $\bar{l} = \mathbb{E}^{SV} [l | p^l(s_{init}^\otimes, \hat{s}^\otimes) > 0]$ . If it holds that  $\gamma^l p^l(s_{init}^\otimes, \hat{s}^\otimes) \gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{SV}[k-1|s_0=s_{init}^\otimes]} r_p > (1 + \dots + \gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{SV}[k|s_0=s_{init}^\otimes]}) \|\mathcal{R}_1\|_\infty$ , we then have  $\gamma^l p^l(s_{init}^\otimes, \hat{s}^\otimes) \frac{\gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{SV}[k-1|s_l=\hat{s}^\otimes]}}{1 - \gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{SV}[k-1|s_l=\hat{s}^\otimes]}} r_p > \frac{1}{1-\gamma} \|\mathcal{R}_1\|_\infty$  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  $\gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{SV}[k|s_l=\hat{s}^\otimes]} r_p^* > (1 + \dots + \gamma^{\mathbb{E}^{SV}[k|s_l=\hat{s}^\otimes]}) \|\mathcal{R}_1\|_\infty$  such that  $\gamma > \gamma^*$  and  $r_p > r_p^*$  imply  $V^{SV}(s_{init}^\otimes) > V^{SV^*}(s_{init}^\otimes)$ .

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

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