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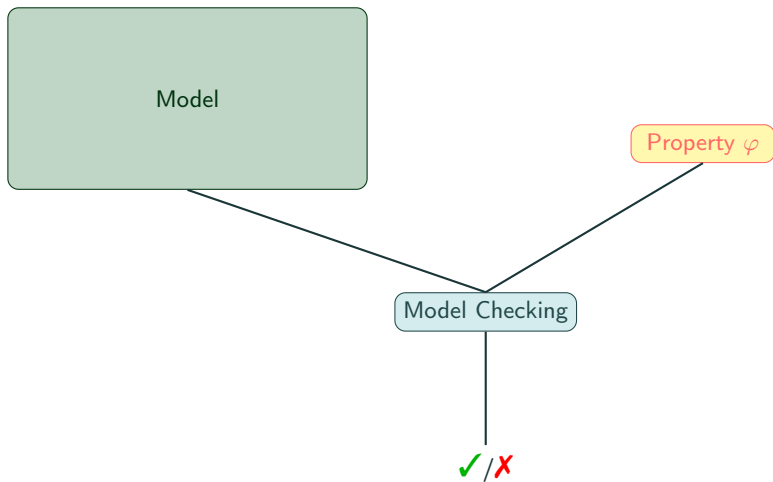
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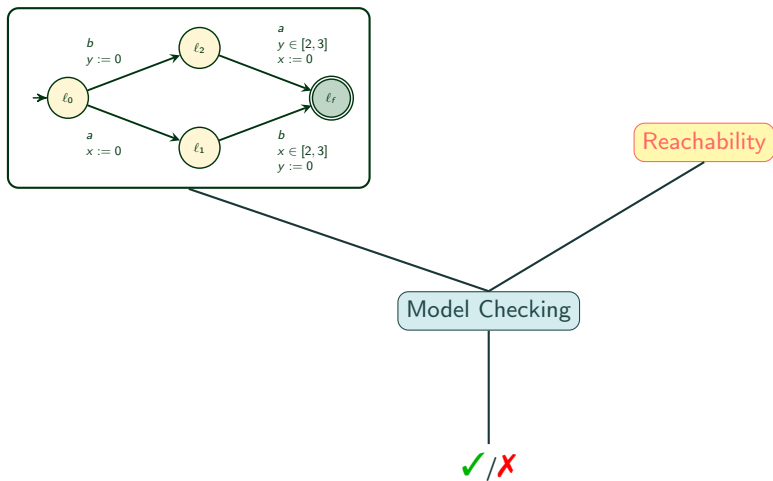
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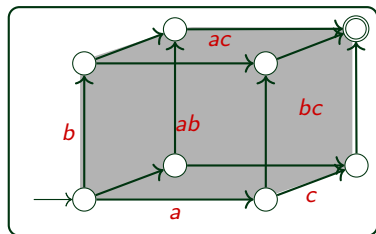
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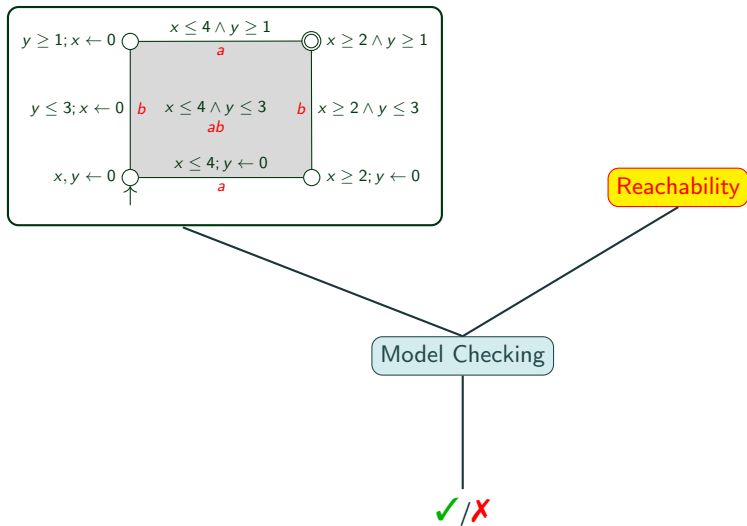


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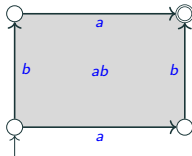
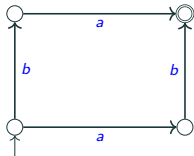
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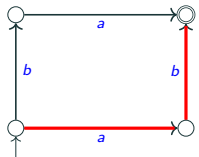
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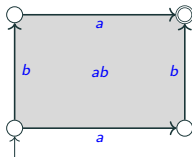
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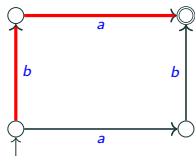


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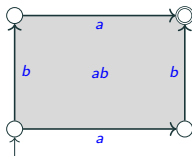
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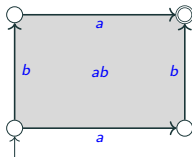
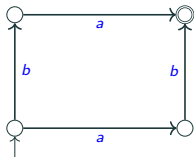
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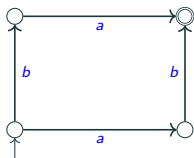


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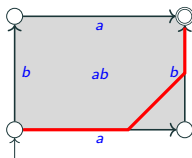
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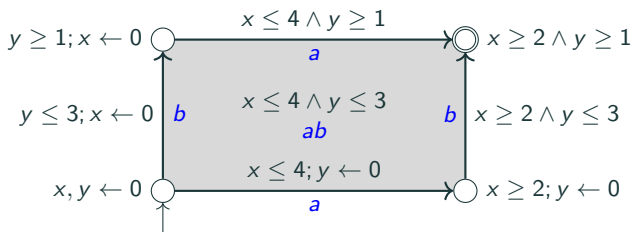
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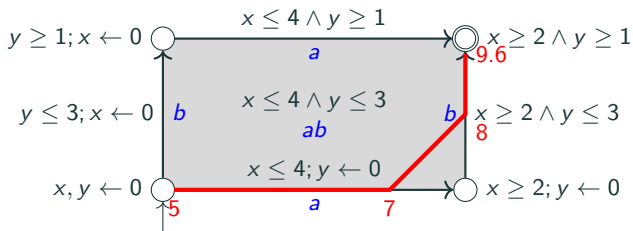
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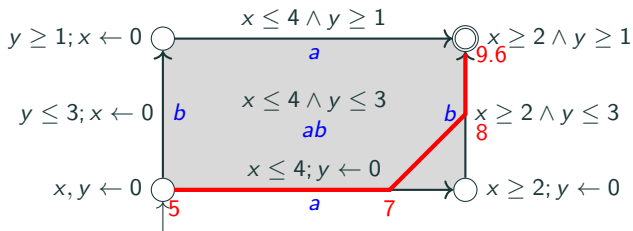
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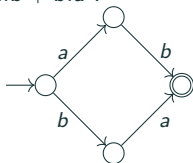
Our Contribution

- ▶ Express the **language of HDTA**.
- ▶ Explain the **links between HDA, TA and HDTA**.
- ▶ Extend some decidability/undecidability **TA results** to HDTA.

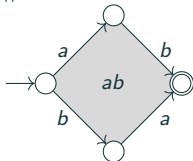
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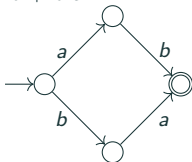
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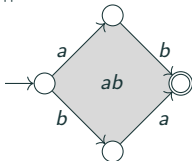
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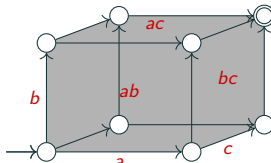


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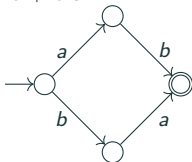
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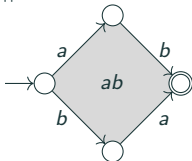
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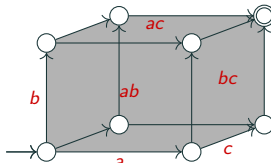


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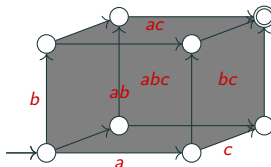


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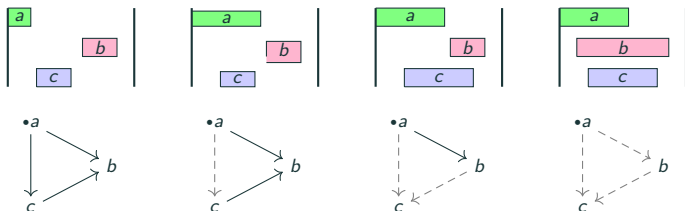
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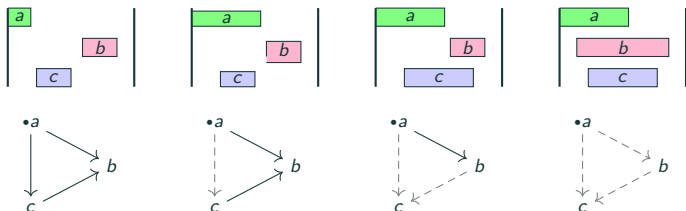
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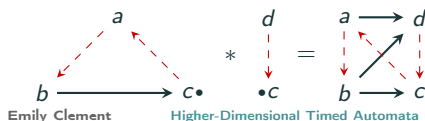
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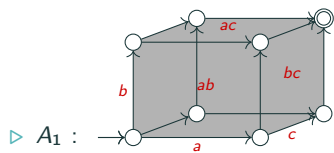
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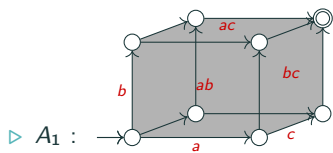


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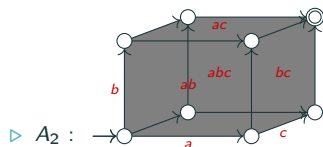


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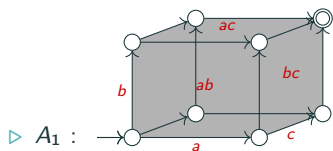


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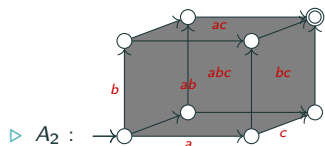


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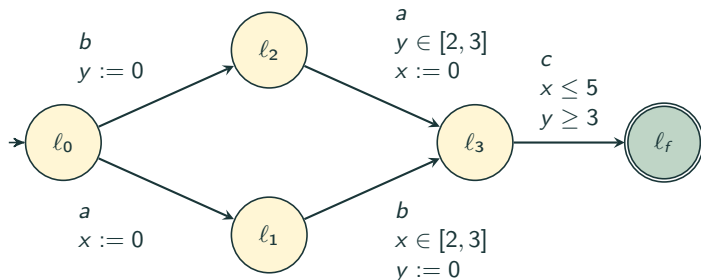
- The language of an HDA $A = (X, X_{\perp}, X_{\top})$ is :

$$L(A) = \{ev(\alpha) | \alpha \text{ accepting path in } X\}$$

Timed Automata² : example of scheduling

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Time constraints impose that between event a and b , at least (*resp.* at most) 2 (*resp.* 3) time units elapses



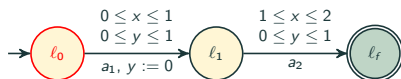
- Semantics of transitions

- ▷ Delay transitions $(l, v) \xrightarrow{\delta} (l, v + \delta)$
- ▷ Action transitions : $(l, v) \xrightarrow{a_1} (l_1, v[y := 0])$

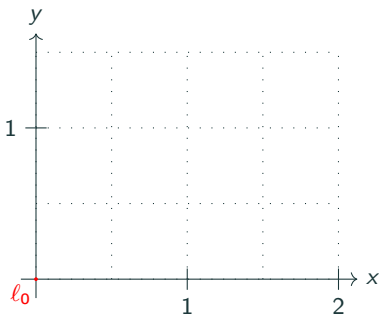
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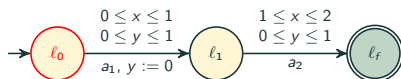


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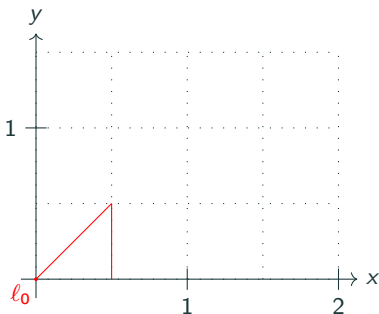


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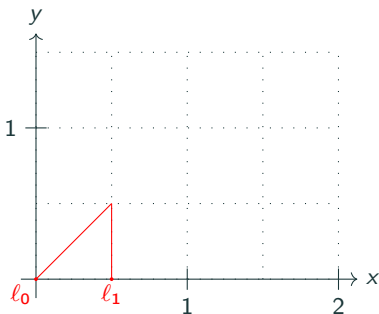


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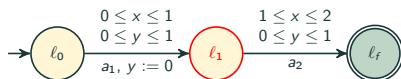


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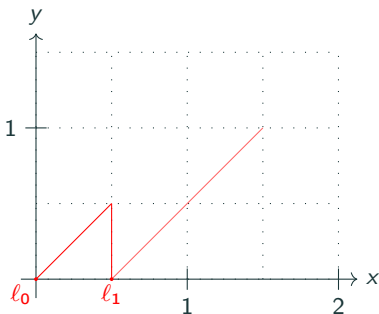


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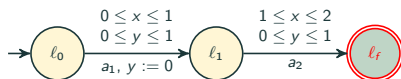


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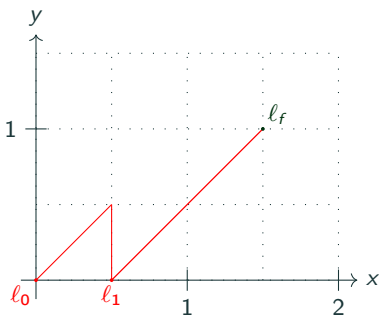


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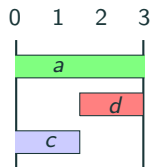
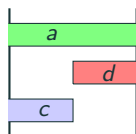
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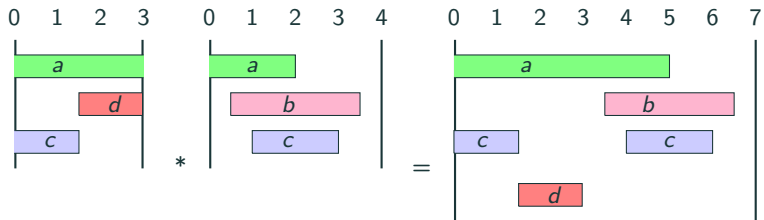


- Timed ipomsets is composed of :
 - ▷ An ipomset
 - ▷ A duration d
 - ▷ A map σ labelling all events to time intervals
- Ipomsets (left), Timed ipomsets (right)



- ▷ Starter : x_1, x_3 of respective label a and c
- ▷ Target : x_2 of label b
- ▷ $\sigma(a) = (0, 3), \sigma(b) = (0, 1.5), \sigma(c) = (1.5, 3)$
- ▷ Total duration $d = 3$

Gluing on Timed Ipomsets



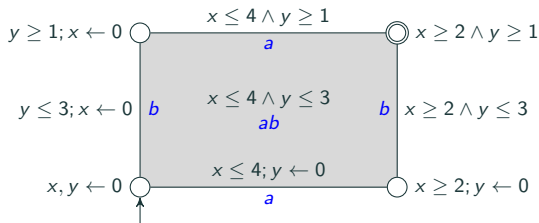
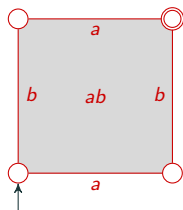
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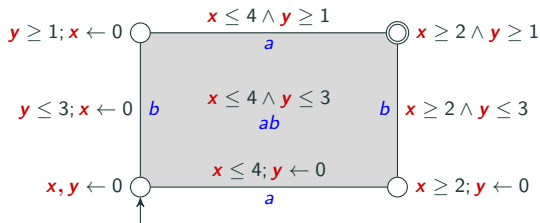
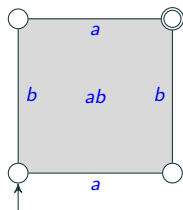
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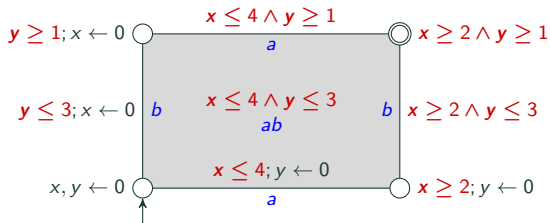
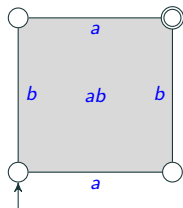
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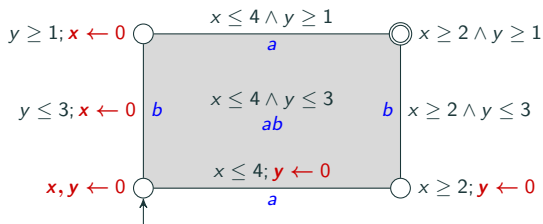
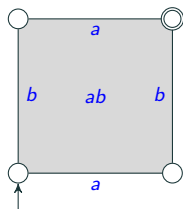
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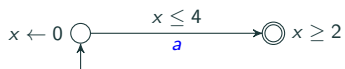
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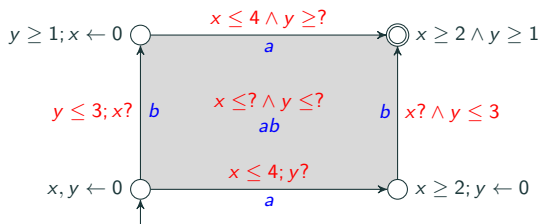
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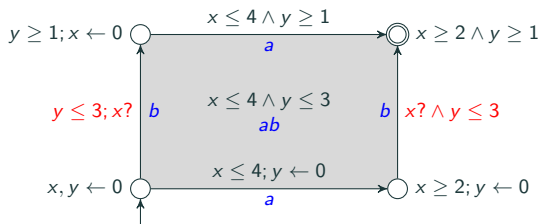
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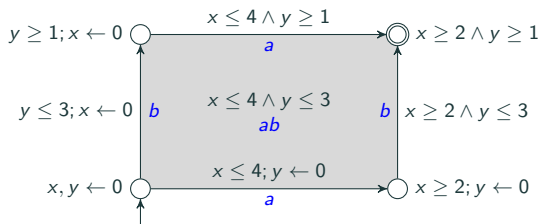
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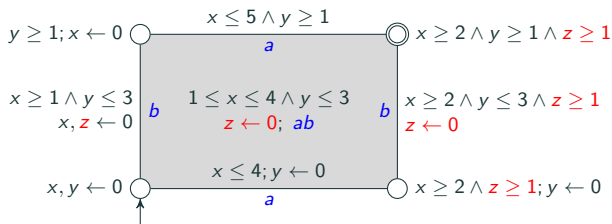
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- Cells

- ▷ 0-cells : location,
- ▷ 1-cell : edges,
- ▷ d -cell, $d > 1$.

- Differences

	TA	HDTA
Difference between locations, edges	Yes	No
Exit conditions	Edges	On d -cells, $\forall d$
Invariants	Locations	On d -cells, $\forall d$
Reset	Edges	On d -cells, $\forall d$
Events	Instantaneous	With duration
Concurrency	Interleaving	Possibly simultaneous

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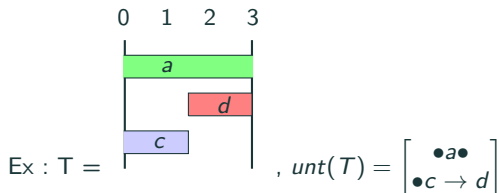
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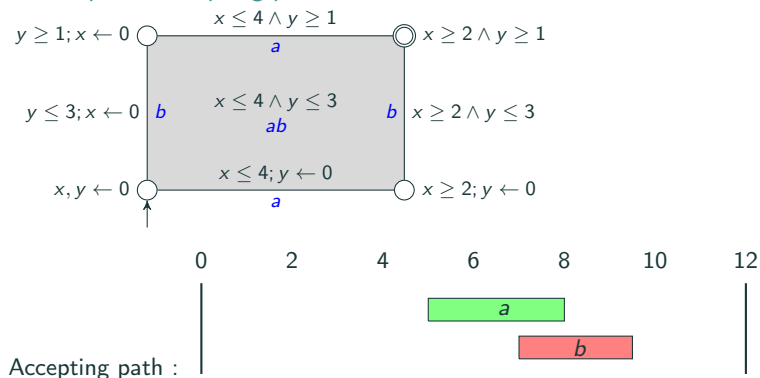
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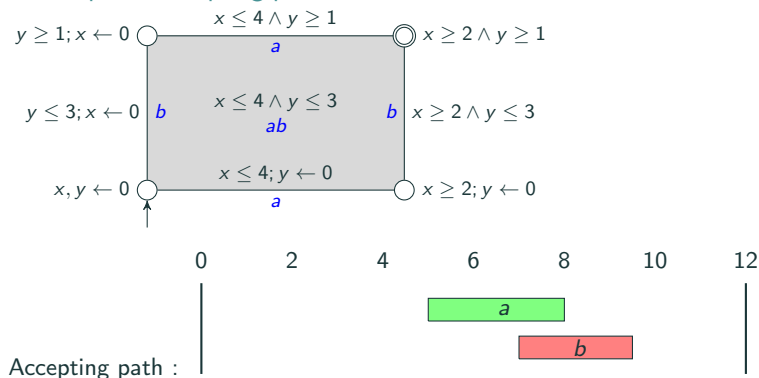
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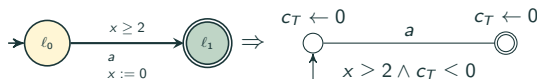
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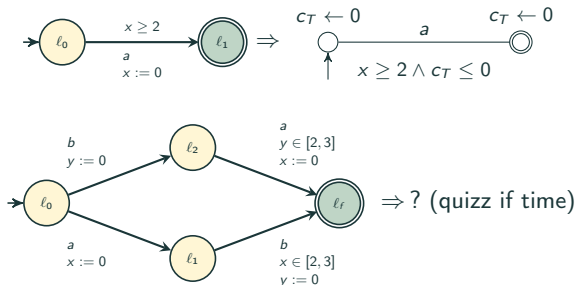
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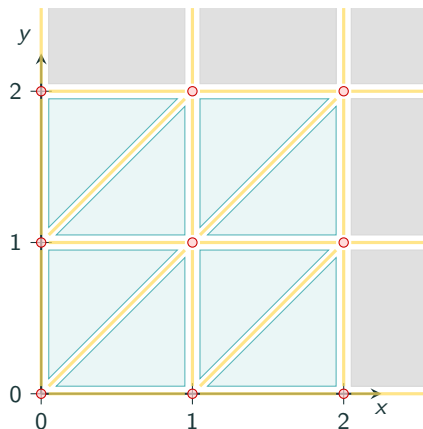
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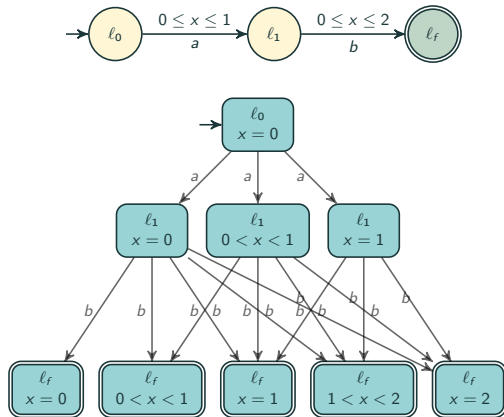
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- Ex : Region of the constraint $0 \leq x, y \leq 2$



Region Automaton : example for one-clock TA

- A timed Automaton and its region automaton



- Reachability problem for TA

PSPACE (Alur et al, 1994) : correspondance between runs of TA and the one of the corresponding region automata.

- **Region equivalence**

Let $A = (\Sigma, C, L, \perp_L, \top_L, inv, exit)$ be an HDTA

- ▷ $M :=$ the maximal constant appearing in inv
- ▷ \cong : region equivalence on $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^C$ defined as follows : for any $v, v' : C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$:
 - $\lfloor v(x) \rfloor = \lfloor v'(x) \rfloor$ or $v(x), v'(x) > M, \forall x \in C,$
 - $\{v(x)\} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \{v'(x)\} = 0, \forall x \in C$
 - $\{v(x)\} \leq \{v(y)\} \Leftrightarrow \{v'(x)\} \leq \{v'(y)\}$

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For any HDTA A , $(unt(L(A))) = R(A)$.

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Conclusion

iiPomset & Timed iiPomset

- ▶ Expressivity of logics (LTL-like, FO) over iiPomset (Enzo Erlich PhD)
- ▶ Distance between Timed iiPomset

Robustness for HDTA

- ▶ Guard enlargement
- ▶ Delay perturbation
- ▶ Topological point of view

Appendix

- Delay words

Let us take a run $\pi = (\ell_0, v_0) \cdots \rightarrow \cdots (\ell_i, v_i) \cdots \rightarrow \cdots (\ell_n, v_n)$

- ▷ Delay move : $\delta : (\ell, v) \xrightarrow{d} (\ell, v + d)$
Label of delay move : $ev(\delta) = d$
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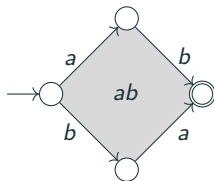
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- ▷ Definition : $TW = \{w = (a_0, t_0) \cdots (a_n, t_n)t_{n+1} \mid \forall i = 0, \dots, n, t_i \leq t_{i+1}\} \subseteq (\Sigma \times \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0})^* \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$
- ▷ Concatenation : let $w = (a_0, t_0) \cdots (a_n, t_n)t_{n+1}$ and $w' = (a'_0, t'_0) \cdots (a'_n, t'_n)t'_{n+1} \in TW$ then :

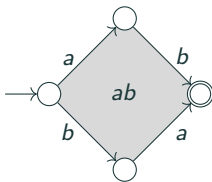
$$ww' := (a_0, t_0) \cdots (a_n, t_n)(a'_0, t'_0) \cdots (a'_n, t'_n)(t_{n+1} + t'_{n+1}) \in TW$$

Finally : $\mathcal{L}(A)$: the set of delay words labeling accepting path in the transition system.



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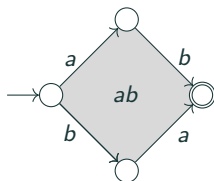
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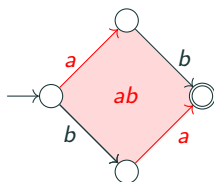


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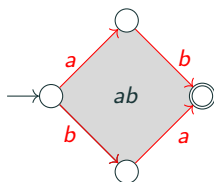
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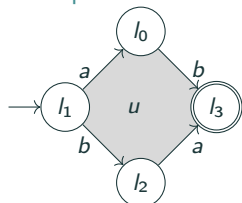
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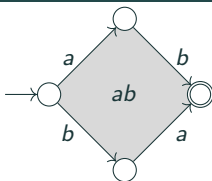
- Example of a 2-events HDA



Example of an accepting path :

$$\alpha_0 = l_0 \xrightarrow{ab} u \searrow_{ab} l_3, \quad ev(\alpha_0) = \left(\begin{bmatrix} a \bullet \\ b \bullet \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} \bullet a \\ \bullet b \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

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- Application in HDA

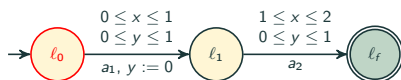
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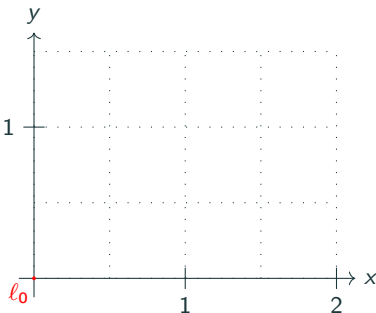
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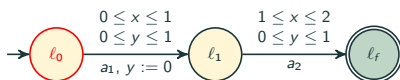


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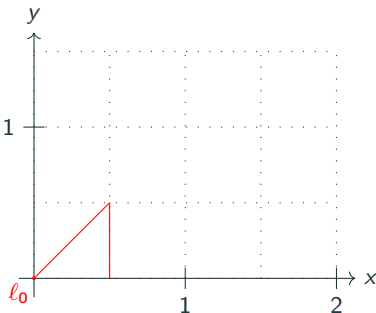


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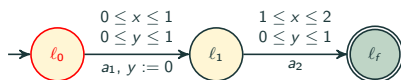


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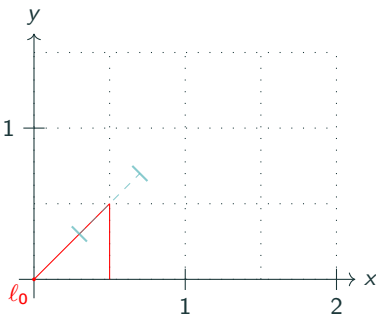


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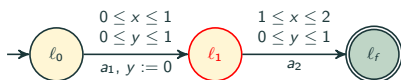


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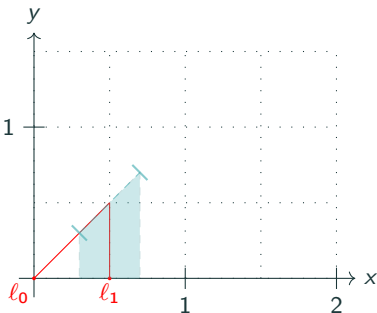


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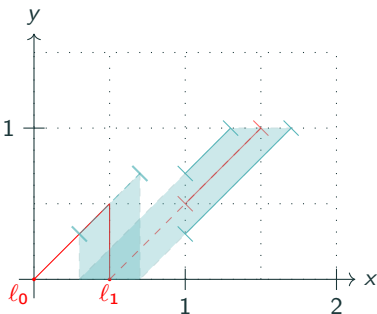


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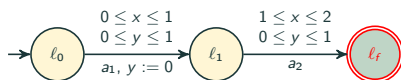


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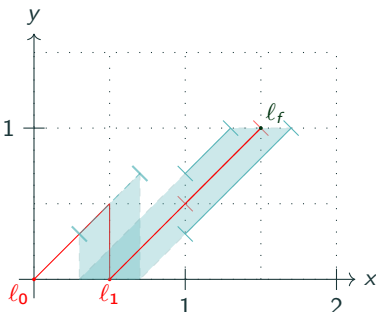


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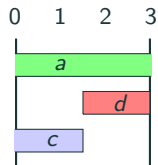
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