

Lexicographic Variants in Event-B

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Convergence in Event-B

Events can be tagged as convergent

This is proved thanks to a variant, that is a mathematical expression subject to a well-founded order (no infinite descent)

A convergent event must decrease the variant

Two kinds of variants implemented in Rodin:

Finite sets, \subset

Natural numbers, $<$

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Rodin proof obligations for convergence

Finite sets:

- FIN $\text{FINITE}(v)$
- cvg_evt/VAR $v' \subset v$

Natural numbers:

- cvg_evt/NAT $v \in \mathbb{N}$
- cvg_evt/VAR $v' < v$

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Anticipated events

Introducing an event that will eventually converge

The event is tagged as anticipated

It will be tagged convergent in a further refinement

An anticipated event must not increase the variant

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Improved POs for anticipation (bonus)

Prefix PO with $v' \neq v$ (Hallerstede, ABZ2014):

- ant_evt/NAT $v' \neq v \Rightarrow v \in \mathbb{N}$

We can do better for integer variants, using the equivalence with finite set $0..v$, we can drop the NAT PO as the VAR PO is enough:

$$v' \leq v \Rightarrow 0..v' \subseteq 0..v$$

$v' < 0$	$v < 0$	$\dots \Rightarrow \emptyset \subseteq \emptyset$
$v' < 0$	$v \geq 0$	$\dots \Rightarrow \emptyset \subseteq 0..v$
$v' \geq 0$	$v < 0$	$\perp \Rightarrow \dots$
$v' \geq 0$	$v \geq 0$	$v' \leq v \Rightarrow 0..v' \subseteq 0..v$

First step towards lexicographic variant

Example:

M1	evt	(anticipated)	v1
M2	evt	(anticipated)	v2
M3	evt	(convergent)	v3

When flattening, evt is converging on the lexicographic variant

- $(v1, v2, v3)$

But stronger than needed:

$$\begin{aligned} v1' \subseteq v1 & \qquad (v1' \subset v1) \\ \wedge v2' \subseteq v2 & \quad \Rightarrow \quad \vee (v1' = v1 \wedge v2' \subset v2) \\ \wedge v3' \subset v3 & \quad \vee (v1' = v1 \wedge v2' = v2 \wedge v3' \subset v3) \end{aligned}$$

Lexicographic set variant

Several variants in the same machine: $v1, v2, v3$

POs for finite sets:

- $v1/FIN$ $FINITE(v1)$
- $v2/FIN$ $FINITE(v2)$
- $v3/FIN$ $FINITE(v3)$
- $cvg_evt/v1/VAR$ $v1' \subseteq v1$
- $cvg_evt/v2/VAR$ $v1' = v1 \Rightarrow v2' \subseteq v2$
- $cvg_evt/v3/VAR$ $v1' = v1 \wedge v2' = v2 \Rightarrow v3' \subseteq v3$
- $ant_evt/v1/VAR$ $v1' \subseteq v1$
- $ant_evt/v2/VAR$ $v1' = v1 \Rightarrow v2' \subseteq v2$
- $ant_evt/v3/VAR$ $v1' = v1 \wedge v2' = v2 \Rightarrow v3' \subseteq v3$

Note: POs get simplified when some variant is not modified by the event

Natural lexicographic variant (convergent)

With two variants: $v1, v2$

Option 1

- $\text{cvg_evt}/v1/\text{NAT}$ $v1 \in \mathbb{N}$
- $\text{cvg_evt}/v1/\text{VAR}$ $v1' \leq v1$
- $\text{cvg_evt}/v2/\text{NAT}$ $v1' = v1 \Rightarrow v2 \in \mathbb{N}$
- $\text{cvg_evt}/v2/\text{VAR}$ $v1' = v1 \Rightarrow v2' < v2$

Option 2

- $\text{cvg_evt}/v1/\text{VAR}$ $v1' \leq v1$
- $\text{cvg_evt}/v2/\text{NAT}$ $v1' = v1 \vee v1' < 0 \Rightarrow v2 \in \mathbb{N}$
- $\text{cvg_evt}/v2/\text{VAR}$ $v1' = v1 \vee v1' < 0 \Rightarrow v2' < v2$

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- ant_evt/v2/VAR $v1' = v1 \Rightarrow v2' \leq v2$

Option 2

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- ant_evt/v2/VAR $v1' = v1 \vee v1' < 0 \Rightarrow v2' \leq v2$

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Will be available in Rodin 3.5