Verification of Data-Centric Dynamic Systems

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In our research we study the boundaries of decidability:

Design

- formalisms for modeling knowledge and behavior,
- languages for expressing dynamic properties,

such that:

Verification of dynamic properties over the given formalism is decidable.



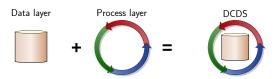
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We introduce DCDS, to

- explore different variants of modeling data and process
- abstract away from irrelevant factors of different scenario.



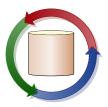
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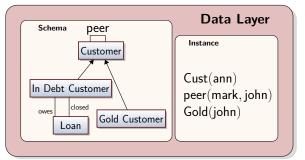


DCDS:

- Data Layer: Relational databases / ontologies
 - Data schema
 - Data instance: state of the DCDS
- Process Layer:
 - Atomic actions
 - Conditions for application of actions
 - ▶ Service calls: communication with external environment
 - ★ Deterministic services: e.g., historical exchange rate of Euro/USD
 - Nondeterministic services: e.g., current exchange rate of Euro/USD
 Allow one also to take into account user-input.

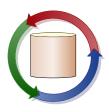
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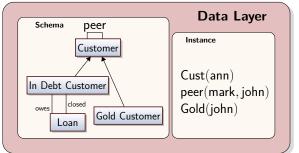






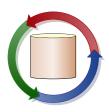
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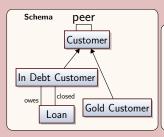




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Data Layer

 $\begin{aligned} & \mathsf{Instance} \\ & \mathsf{Cust}(\mathsf{ann}) \\ & \mathsf{peer}(\mathsf{mark}, \mathsf{john}) \\ & \mathsf{Gold}(\mathsf{john}) \\ & \mathsf{owes}(\mathsf{mark}, \\ & & \textit{UInput}(\mathsf{mark})) \end{aligned}$

Actions

Process Layer

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Service Calls

UInput(x)

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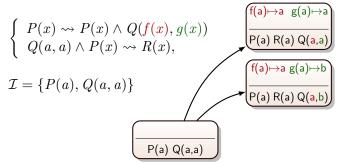


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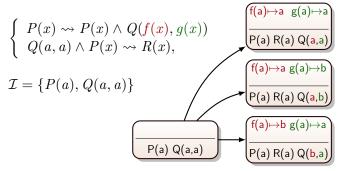
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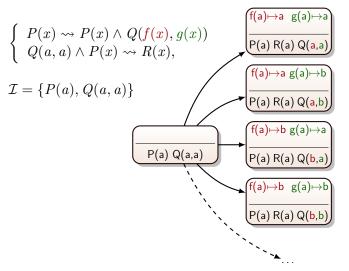




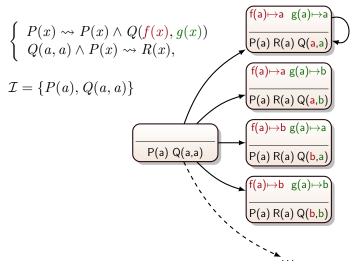




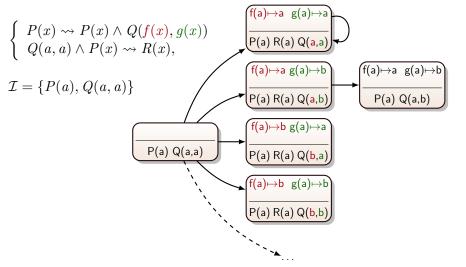




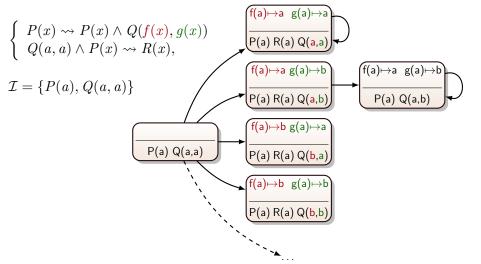




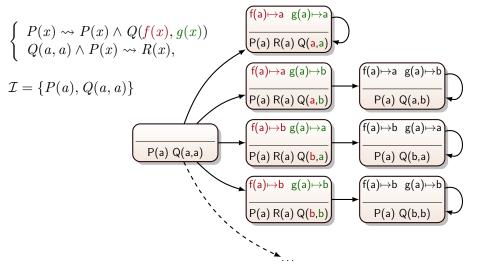








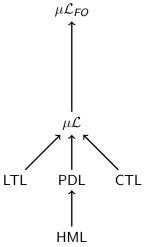






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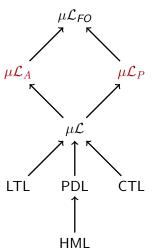


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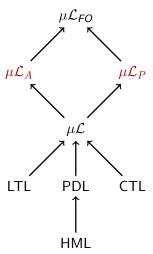
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Example in $\mu \mathcal{L}$: A Liveness property:

$$\mu Z.([\exists x.\mathsf{Gold}(x) \land \mathsf{InDebt}(x)] \lor \langle - \rangle Z)$$

$$\equiv F \ [\exists x.\mathsf{Gold}(x) \land \mathsf{InDebt}(x)]$$





Our results for the Relational DCDS setting

- The schema is a relational schema.
- States are relational instances.
- DCDSs can interact with external (non)deterministic services.

DETERMINISTIC SERVICES

NONDETERMINISTIC SERVICES

	$\mu \mathcal{L}_{FO}$	$\mu \mathcal{L}_A$	$\mu \mathcal{L}_P$		$\mu \mathcal{L}_{FO}$	$\mu \mathcal{L}_A$	$\mu \mathcal{L}_P$
unrestricted	U +	– U ←	- U	unrestricted	U +	⊢ U ←	- U
					↑	\uparrow	
bounded-run	?	D -	→ D	bounded-state	U +	– U	D

- **D**: Verification is decidable
- **U**: Verification is undecidable
- The bounded-run and bounded-state conditions are undecidable.
- We study sufficient conditions based on variants of acyclicity.



Our results for the Semantic DCDS setting

- Schema is a TBox expressed in DL-Lite_A.
- States are ABoxes.
- Queries are expressed in a variant of epistemic logic.

	$\mu \mathcal{L}_{F}$	$o \mu \mathcal{L}_A$	$\mu \mathcal{L}_P$
unrestricted	U	← U ←	- U
	\uparrow		
bounded-run	U	$\mathbf{D} \rightarrow$	D

D: Verification is decidable

U: Verification is undecidable



Next steps

- Enrich the setting to cover arithmetic operations.
- Enrich the setting with multiple artifacts, and study artifact creation/removal.
- Find classes of business process systems that correspond to our syntactic restrictions.
- Connect and compare our settings with other existing proposal for reasoning over data centeric dynamic systems.
- Implement a model checker on top of current model checkers for finite state systems.



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Questions, Comments, Suggestions?





