



Synchronizing Processes on a Tree Network¹

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Purpose of this lecture



- We will formalize the solution to a problem in distributed computing.
 - Studied in: W.H.J. Feijen and A.J.M. van Gasteren. On a Method of Multi-programming. Springer Verlag, 1999.
- Using and updating functions.
- Formalize and prove properties on an interesting structure: a tree.
- Proofs more complex than those seen so far.

As usual:

- Define the informal requirements
- Define the refinement strategy
- Construct the various more and more concrete models



Comparison with previous examples





- Not a transformational system.
 - Not supposed to finish.
 - No final result.
- Not reactive.
 - No external world that reacts to system changes.
- Distributed.
 - Different nodes act autonomously.
 - With limited information access.
 - However, communication assumed to be reliable.

- Internal concurrency.
 - Every node has concurrent processes.

- Small model: just three events in the last refinement.
- However, proofs and reasoning are comparatively complex.

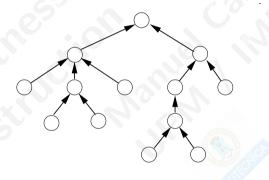


Requirements





ENV 1 We have a fixed set of processes forming a tree



- Note: they do not need to form a tree from the beginning.
- A set of communicating processes can coordinate to form a tree.

Requirements (Cont.)





- All processes are supposed to execute forever the same code.
- But processes must remain (somewhat) synchronized.
- For this, each process has (initially) one counter.

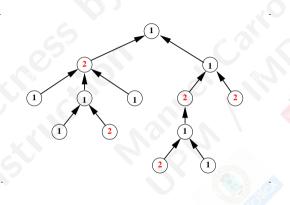
Each process has a counter, which is a natural number

- A process counter represents its "phase" (related to the work for which they have to synchronize).
- Difference between any two counters < one.
 - Each process is thus at most one phase ahead of the others

Requirements (Cont.)







FUN 3 The difference between any two counters is at most one

Requirements (Cont.)





Reading the counters

FUN 4 Each process can read the counters of its neighbors only

(Neighbors to be understood as connected by a link)

Modifying the counters

FUN 5 The counter of a process can be modified by this process only

Refinement strategy



- Construct abstract initial model dealing with FUN 3 and FUN 5
- Improve design to (partially) take care of FUN 4
- Improve design to better take care of FUN 4
- (Simplify final design to obtain efficient implementation).

FUN 3 The difference between any two counters is at most one

FUN 4 Processes read counters of immediate neighbors only

FUN 5 | A process can modify only its counter(s)





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Initial model: the state



- Simplify situation: forget about tree
- We just define the counters and express the main property: FUN 3

FUN 3 The difference between any two counters is at most one

- The initial model is always far more abstract than the final system
- Other requirements are probably not fulfilled

Abstract situation







FUN 3 The difference between any two counters is at most 1



Suggest constants, axioms, variables, invariants for an initial model!



Initial model: the state





carrier set: P

 $axm0_1: finite(P)$

variable: c

inv0_1:
$$c \in P o \mathbb{N}$$

inv0_2:
$$orall x, y \cdot egin{pmatrix} x \in P \\ y \in P \\ \Rightarrow \\ c(x) \leq c(y) + 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- ✓ Create project synch_tree
- √ Create context c0 with set, axiom
- ✓ Create machine m0 with variable, invariants.



Is that right?



• inv0_2 may be surprising:

$$\mathcal{I}_0: \forall x, y \cdot x \in P \land y \in P \Rightarrow c(x) \leq c(y) + 1$$

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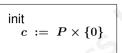
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Proof by double implication.

Let us choose two arbitrary nodes with counters *a* and *b*.

- If the invariant holds, then $a \le b+1$ and $b \le a+1$. From there, $a-b \le 1$ and $b-a \le 1$, therefore $|a-b| \le 1$, and $\mathcal{I}_0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{I}_1$.
- If $|a-b| \le 1$, then both $a-b \le 1$ and $b-a \le 1$. Then, inv0_2 is implied by the intended invariant, and $\mathcal{I}_1 \Rightarrow \mathcal{I}_0$.

Initial model: events



```
ascending \begin{array}{l} \textbf{any} \ n \ \textbf{where} \\ n \in P \\ \forall m \cdot m \in P \ \Rightarrow \ c(n) \leq c(m) \\ \textbf{then} \\ c(n) := c(n) + 1 \\ \textbf{end} \end{array}
```



- Note: any n is logically $\forall n \cdot n \in P \wedge \cdots$
 - ∀ can appear in guards.
 - any introduces ∀ whose scope is the whole event.
- Intuition: *Any increment that respects*

difference among nodes can be done.

- Does not mean all increments are executed: non-determinism!
- Not final state (there is none): action that (hopefully) respects invariant.

✓ Add initialization, event

Note: \times is entered with **, any with pull-down menu, "Add event parameter".



Proof of invariant preservation





$$c \in P \to \mathbb{N} \qquad \qquad \text{inv0_1}$$

$$\forall x, y \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \in P \\ y \in P \\ \Rightarrow \\ c(x) \leq c(y) + 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \text{inv0_2}$$

$$n \in P \qquad \qquad \text{Guards of event ascending}$$

$$\forall m \cdot (m \in P \Rightarrow c(n) \leq c(m)) \qquad \text{ascending}$$

$$\forall x, y \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \in P \\ y \in P \\ \Rightarrow \\ (c \Leftrightarrow \{n \mapsto c(n) + 1\})(x) \leq (c \Leftrightarrow \{n \mapsto c(n) + 1\})(y) + 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\uparrow \uparrow$$

Modified invariant inv0_2

In Rodin: automatic; if not, repeatedly apply lassoing, p0 or m0.



Model so far





```
CONTEXT c0
SETS
AXIOMS
      axm1:
           finite(P)
\mathbf{END}
```

```
MACHINE m0
SEES c0
VARIABLES
INVARIANTS
       inv1: c \in P \to \mathbb{N}
       inv2: \forall x, y \cdot x \in P \land y \in P \Rightarrow c(x) < 1 + c(y)
EVENTS
Initialisation
      begin
             act1: c := P \times \{0\}
      end
Event ascending (ordinary) \hat{=}
      any
      where
             grd12: n \in P
             grd11: \forall m \cdot m \in P \Rightarrow c(n) \leq c(m)
      then
             act11: c(n) := c(n) + 1
      end
```



Problem with the current event





What requirement is this event breaking?





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First refinement: (partially) solving the problem





- Introduce a designated process r.
- Assume that counter of *r* always minimal

$$\forall m \cdot m \in P \Rightarrow c(r) \leq c(m)$$

- Rationale:
 - We only synchronize with r not compliant, but communication restricted.
 - Helps ensure that difference between any two nodes \leq one.
 - If $inv0_1$: $\forall x, y \cdot x \in P \land y \in P \Rightarrow c(x) \le c(y) + 1$, then $|c(r) c(m)| \le 1$ for any m.
 - If $c(r) \le c(m)$, then c(m) = c(r) or c(m) = c(r) + 1 for any m.
 - Then $|c(m) c(n) \le 1|$, for any m, n (will be proved).
- Treat this property as a new (temporary) invariant.
- ✓ Extend c0 into c1 (left pane, right click, "Extend"), add constant r, axiom $r \in P$
- ✓ Refine m0 into m1 (left pane, right click, "Refine"), add new invariant
- √ m0 should "see" c1



First refinement: proposal for the event refinement





We simplify the guard

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(abstract-)ascending \begin{array}{l} \textbf{any} \;\; n \;\; \textbf{where} \\ n \in P \\ \forall m \cdot m \in P \; \Rightarrow \; c(n) \leq c(m) \\ \textbf{then} \\ c(n) := c(n) + 1 \\ \textbf{end} \end{array}
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(concrete-)ascending egin{aligned} & \mathbf{any} & n & \mathbf{where} \\ & n \in P \\ & c(n) = c(r) \\ & \mathbf{then} \\ & c(n) := c(n) + 1 \\ & \mathbf{end} \end{aligned}
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- Note: if c(r) minimal, c(n) < c(r) impossible; therefore c(n) = c(r)• Change "extended" to "not extended", change guard
- We have then to prove guard strengthening.



Guard strengthening

 $n \in P$





$$\begin{array}{ll} c & \in P \to \mathbb{N} & \text{inv0_1} \\ \forall \, x,y \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \in P \\ y \in P \\ \Rightarrow \\ c(x) \leq c(y) + 1 \end{pmatrix} & \text{inv0_2} \\ \forall m \cdot (m \in P \Rightarrow \boxed{c(r)} \leq c(m)) & \text{new invariant} \\ n \in P & \text{Guards of concrete} \\ \hline c(n) = c(r) & \text{event ascending} \end{array}$$

In Rodin: lasso + p0

✓ Go to the proving perspective, discharge proof

 $orall \, m \cdot (\, m \in P \Rightarrow \boxed{c(n)} \leq c(m) \,)$



Guards of abstract

event ascending

Model so far

inv1 not discharged.

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CONTEXT c1

EXTENDS c0

CONSTANTS

r

AXIOMS

axm1: r \in P

END
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Pending problems





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- 1. Prove that new "invariant" is preserved by the event
- 2. The guard of the event still does not fulfill requirement FUN 4.

FUN 4 Each node can read the counters of its immediate neighbors only

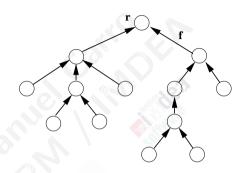
- Problem 1 solved in this refinement
- Problem 2 solved later

First refinement: defining the tree





- Tree: root r and "pointer" f from each node in $P \setminus \{r\}$ to every node's parent.
- Plus some additional properties and inference rules.
- Reminder: sets, relations, functions, specific data structures and their inference rules.
- Note: constructing a tree (≡ root / leader + links) is a classical problem in distributed systems.
- Can also be tackled using Event B.



Invariant: we have a condition involving nodes in pairs and we need a condition that relates a single node r with all the others.

How can we model the relation node / parent node?



Update model





- \checkmark Add to c1 (note f is \rightarrow , written -->>)
 - Constant f.
 - Axioms:

$$L \subseteq P$$

$$f \in P \setminus \{r\} \rightarrow P \setminus L$$

$$\forall S \cdot S \subseteq f^{-1}[S] \Rightarrow S = \emptyset$$

- f^{-1} is written f^{\sim} .
- \rightarrow : f defined for all $P \setminus \{r\}$ and arrives to every element in $P \setminus L$.





Minimality of counter at the root

$$\forall m \cdot m \in P \Rightarrow c(r) \leq c(m)$$

relates c(r) with c(m) for every m.

- Events change local values and consult neighbouring values.
- We can (easily) prove properties relating neighbouring nodes.
- How can we relate local properties with global properties?

Minimal counter at the root

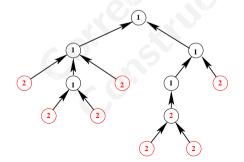




- We define a weaker, local invariant first.
- The counter at every node is not greater than its descendants:

$$inv1_1 : \forall m \cdot m \in P \setminus \{r\} \Rightarrow c(f(m)) \leq c(m)$$

✓ Add it to m1



Rationale (advancing the algorithm)

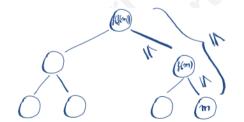
- Assume we can update the tree keeping a maximum difference between neighbors.
- Will be helpful to prove $c(r) \le c(m)$.

Minimal counter at the root: induction



We need to *extend* the local property

$$\forall m \cdot m \in P \setminus \{r\} \Rightarrow c(f(m)) \leq c(m)$$
 to the whole tree.



- Start with leaves / ∈ L.
- Prove that for any l, $c(f(l)) \le c(l)$, then $c(f(f(l))) \le c(f(l)) \le c(l)$, ...
- Work upwards towards root r.

OR

- Start with *r*.
- Prove that for all m s.t. r = f(m), $c(r) \le c(m)$. m is a child of r
- Then, for all m' s.t. m = f(m'), $c(m) \le c(m')$...
- And so on towards the leaves.



Minimal counter at the root: induction





- Induction: difficult for theorem provers to do on their own.
 - Needs to identify base case, property to use for induction.
- Then, proving property given base case & inductive step within theorem provers' capabilities.
- In Rodin: needs adding induction scheme:

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✓ Add to c1:

\forall S \cdot S \subseteq P \land r \in S \land (\forall n \cdot n \in P \setminus \{r\} \land f(n) \in S \Rightarrow n \in S) \Rightarrow P \subseteq S

✓ Tip: Ctrl-Enter breaks text in input box in separate lines.
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• Instantiating it with the property to prove, expressed as a set: $\{x \mid x \in P \land c(r) \le c(x)\}\$ (next slide)

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✓ In m1: ensure you have inv1_1: \forall m \cdot m \in P \setminus \{r\} \Rightarrow c(f(m)) \leq c(m)
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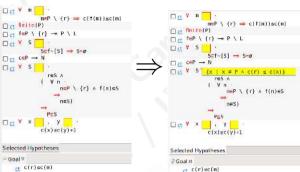
✓ Ensure thm1_1: $\forall m \cdot m \in P \Rightarrow c(r) \leq c(m)$ below invariant, marked as theorem



Induction in Rodin: instantiation



- Double click in the unproved theorem (left pane).
- Switch to prover view, lasso.
- Locate induction axiom.
- Enter $\{x \mid x \in P \land c(r) \leq c(x)\}.$
- Return and p0.
- The theorem should be proved now.



Invariant inv1_1 not yet proved. Requires order between parent and children $c(f(m)) \le c(m)$ that ascending cannot guarantee: guard c(r) = c(n) allows updates in arbitrary order. Will enforce through more local comparison.

More local comparison



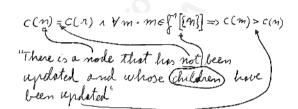


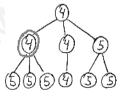
- Nodes with difference < one from r.
- When can we update looking locally?

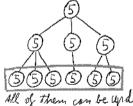
ascending

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then
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end
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Ensure inv1_1 is preserved: double click, prover view, lasso, p0 should do it.







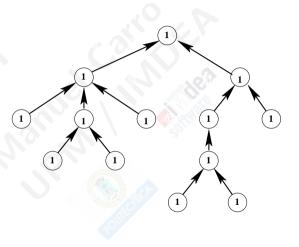
How it is expected to work





Update order restricted:

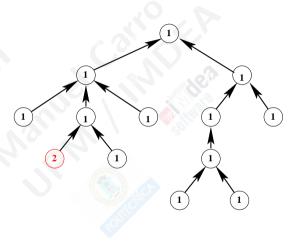
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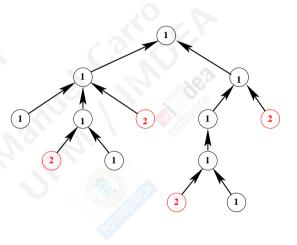
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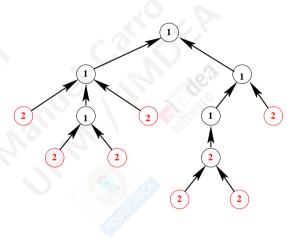
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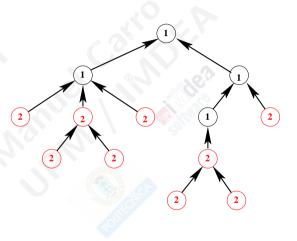
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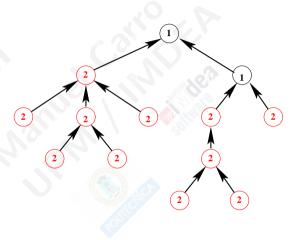
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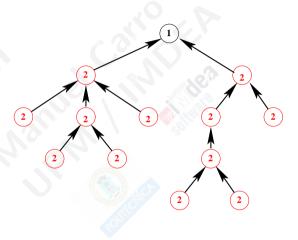
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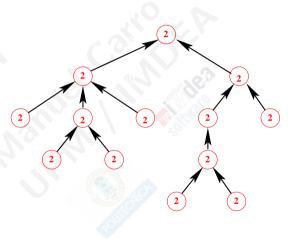
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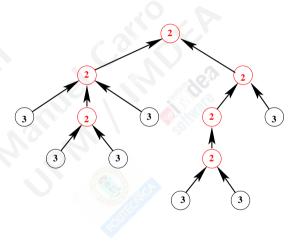
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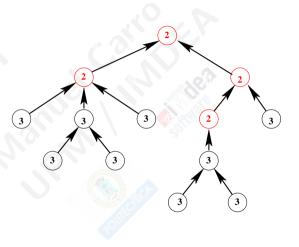
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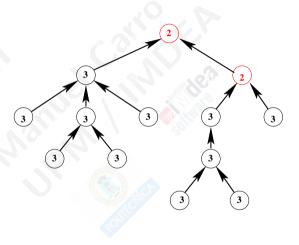
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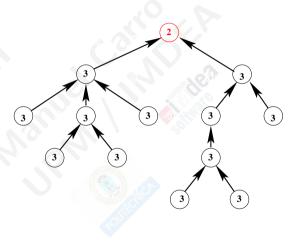
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Neighborhood checking



FUN 4	Each process can read the counters of its immediate neighbors
	only

- $\forall m \cdot m \in f^{-1}[\{n\}] \Rightarrow c(n) \neq c(m)$ uses only local comparisons.
- c(r) = c(n) uses non-local comparisons.
- We will tackle that in the next refinement.



Model so far



```
CONTEXT c1
EXTENDS c0
CONSTANTS
AXIOMS
          axm1: r \in P
          axm3: L \subseteq P
                Leaves
          axm2: f \in P \setminus \{r\} \rightarrow P \setminus L
          axm4: \forall S \cdot S \subseteq f^{-1}[S] \Rightarrow S = \emptyset
          axm5:
                \forall S \cdot S \subseteq P \land
                r \in S \wedge
                 (\forall n \cdot n \in P \setminus \{r\} \land f(n) \in S \Rightarrow n \in S)
                P \subseteq S
END
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VARIABLES
INVARIANTS
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        inv2: \langle \text{theorem} \rangle \ \forall m \cdot m \in P \Rightarrow c(r) \leq c(m)
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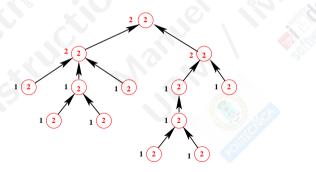


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Second refinement



- Replace the guard c(r) = c(n).
- Processes must be aware when this situation does occur.
- Add second counter $d(\cdot)$ to each node to capture value of c(r).



Second refinement: the state



carrier set: P

constants: r, f

variables: c, d

Invariant inv2_2 is as inv0_2

inv2_1:
$$d \in P \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

inv2.2:
$$orall x,y\cdot egin{pmatrix} x\in P \ y\in P \ \Rightarrow \ d(x)\leq d(y)+1 \end{pmatrix}$$

d has an overall property similar to *c*:

$$\forall x, y \cdot x \in P \land y \in P \Rightarrow c(x) \le c(y) + 1$$

- d will capture the value of c(r).
- It will be updated in a downward wave.
- ✓ Refine m1 into m2
- √ Add variable d and invariants





This refinement captures:

- The existence of *d*.
- How its update can proceed not to break its invariant.

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Event descending any n where n \in P \forall m \cdot m \in P \Rightarrow d(n) \leq d(m) then d(n) := d(n) + 1
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✓ Add event to m2

end

✓ Initialize d to 0 (copy the initialization of c)



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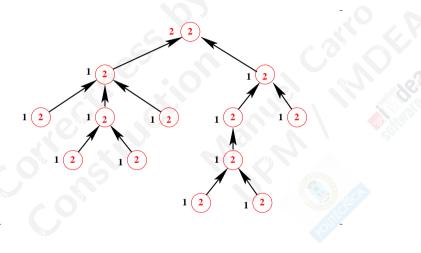
- We extend the invariant of counter d.
- We establish the relationship between both counters *c* and *d*.
 - This will allow us to refine event ascending
- We construct the descending wave (by refining event descending).
- Remark: this is the most difficult refinement.

✓ Refine m2 into m3



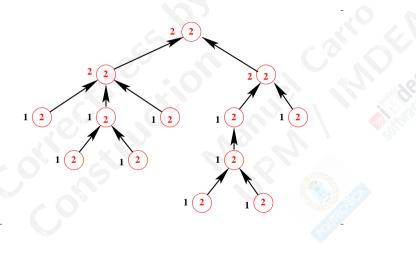






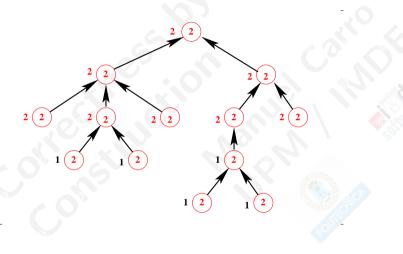






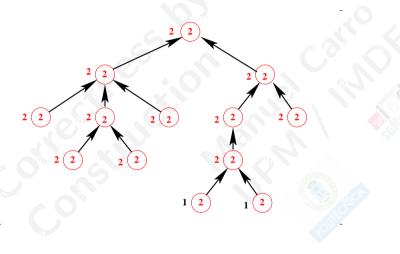






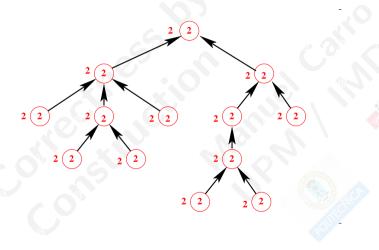






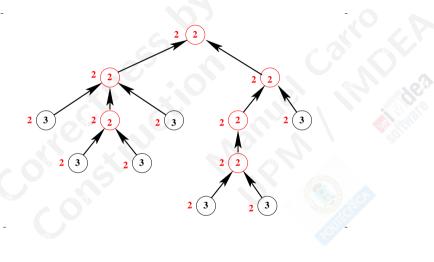






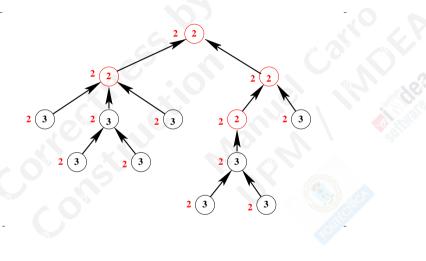






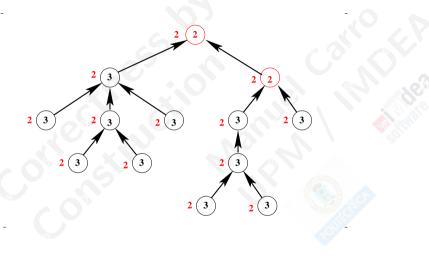






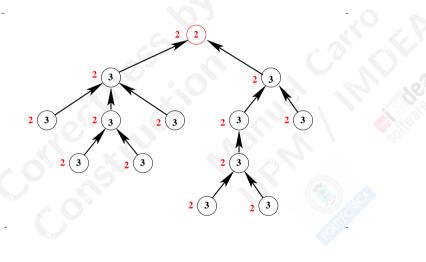






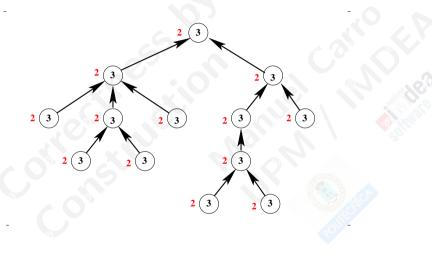












State and invariants





• Recall local condition for c:

$$inv1_1 : \forall m \cdot m \in P \setminus \{r\} \Rightarrow c(f(m)) \leq c(m)$$

Every node's counter is smaller than or equal to its children's.

• Local condition for *d* is similar:

$$\mathsf{inv3_1}: \forall m \cdot m \in P \backslash \{r\} \Rightarrow d(m) \leq d(f(m))$$

Every node's counter is smaller than or equal to its parent (if it has a parent). This is what makes the wave descending.

• inv3_1 and tree induction proves that the root has the highest value of $d(\cdot)$:

thm3_1:
$$\forall n \cdot n \in P \Rightarrow d(n) \leq d(r)$$

(remember: root had the smallest value of $c(\cdot)$)



Proving theorem and invariant





✓ Add to m3:

inv3_1:
$$\forall m \cdot m \in P \setminus \{r\} \Rightarrow d(m) \leq d(f(m))$$

thm3_1: $\forall n \cdot n \in P \Rightarrow d(n) \leq d(r)$

- √ Mark the latter as theorem
- ✓ Double click on the PO for THM
- √ Go to proving perspective; locate induction axiom
- ✓ Instantiate with $\{x|x \in P \land d(x) \le d(r)\}$, invoke p0
- ✓ That should prove thm3_1
- \checkmark inv3_1 cannot be proved yet reasons similar to c. We will deal with that later

Refining ascending



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Event (abstract —) ascending any n where n \in P c(n) = c(r) \forall m \cdot m \in f^{-1}[\{n\}] \Rightarrow c(n) \neq c(m) then c(n) := c(n) + 1 end
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• Downward wave d will eventually propagate d(r).

✓ Change event guard in m3

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- Downward wave d will eventually propagate d(r).
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- Need to prove guard strengthening.
- We cannot. c and d unrelated so far! $\sqrt{Relate\ c\ and\ d: inv3_2: d(r)} \le c(r)$
- If needed: proving perspective, lasso + p0 proves strengthening.

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Refining descending





- A different case.
- Two situations raise a change of *d*:
 - 1. For a non-root node: parent's *d* change.
 - 2. For the root node: c(r) changes.
- Different guards.
- We will prepare the events to be edited.
- √ Change (concrete) descending event to non-extended
- ✓ Left click on circle to left of name to select Ctrl-C to copy, Ctrl-V to paste
- ✓ Rename first event as descending_nr.
- ✓ Rename second event as descending_r.

Refining descending: the non-root case





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Event (abstract —) descending any n where n \in P \forall m \cdot m \in N \Rightarrow d(n) \leq d(m) then d(n) := d(n) + 1 end
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Event (concrete—)descending any n where n \in P \setminus \{r\} d(n) \neq d(f(n)) then d(n) := d(n) + 1 end
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√ Update guards

(Note: Rodin \geq 3.6 seems to prove strengthening automatically; previous versions needed additional steps [in next slide])





Note: the steps below do not seem to be necessary in Rodin 3.6 with the Atelier B provers installed. Strengthening is proven automatically.

$$n \in P \setminus \{r\}, d(n) = d(f(n)), m \in P \vdash d(n) \leq d(m)$$

We need some magic mushrooms to help the provers:

thm3_2:
$$\forall n \cdot n \in P \setminus \{r\} \Rightarrow d(f(n)) \in d(n)...d(n) + 1$$

thm3_3:
$$\forall n \cdot n \in P \Rightarrow d(r) \in d(n)..d(n) + 1$$

thm3_2 downward wave, parent is at most one more than children (when it has just been increased)

thm3_3 special case for root (the first one to be increased)



Refining descending (Cont. — the root case.)



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Event (abstract —) descending any n where n \in P \forall m \cdot m \in P \Rightarrow d(n) \leq d(m) then d(n) := d(n) + 1 end
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Event (concrete—)descending
    refines
        descending
    when
        d(r) \neq c(r)
    with
      n: n = r
    then
        d(r) := d(r) + 1
```

✓ Click on circle left of param. n, delete

- Parameter n disappeared!
- Substitute (witness) for GRD, SIM.
- We are particularizing for *r*.

- Similar to gluing invariant!
- Note with label: specific Rodin idiom.
- Need to prove $d(r) \neq c(r), m \in P \vdash d(r) \leq d(m)$



Finishing proofs





I needed two more magic pills:

inv3_3:
$$\forall n \cdot n \in P \Rightarrow c(n) \in d(n)..d(n) + 1$$
 To prove GRD

thm3_4 :
$$\forall n \cdot n \in P \Rightarrow c(r) \in d(n)..d(n) + 1$$
 To prove inv3_3

Plus, if not added before:

thm3_2:
$$\forall n \cdot n \in P \setminus \{r\} \Rightarrow d(f(n)) \in d(n)..d(n) + 1$$

thm3_3:
$$\forall n \cdot n \in P \Rightarrow d(r) \in d(n)..d(n) + 1$$

After this, the invariant can be proved with a combination of several steps:

- Apply lasso.
- Instantiate $\forall n \cdot c(r) \in d(n)..d(n) + 1$ (which relates c and d) with n.
- Remove \in in goal $(c(n) \in d(n) + 1...d(n) + 1 + 1)$ to create inequalities.

- Do P0 in $c(n) \le d(n) + 1 + 1$ goal.
- Note that only possibility to prove is d(n) = c(n).
- Do case distinction with d(n) = c(n),
- Apply ML to the subgoals.



Finishing proofs

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This strategy is necessary with Rodin 3.6 and 3.7 and, apparently, 3.9.

An additional invariant is necessary to prove GRD of descending r:

inv3_3:
$$\forall n \cdot n \in P \Rightarrow c(n) \in d(n)..d(n) + 1$$

After adding it, GRD is immediately proven. However, the invariant remains unproven. It can be proved with the following steps:

- Apply lasso.
- Remove \in in goal $c(n) \in d(n) + 1...d(n) + 1 + 1$ to transform it into inequalities that can be proven separately.
- Use ml or p0 for the goal

$$c(n) \leq d(n) + 1 + 1.$$

- For $d(n) + 1 \le c(n)$, do case distinction:
 - Either with d(n) = c(n), or
 - with d(n) + 1 = c(n)

and ML to the subgoals.



Third refinement: invariants





inv3_1:
$$\forall m \cdot (m \in P \setminus \{r\} \Rightarrow d(m) \leq d(f(m)))$$

inv3_2:
$$d(r) \leq c(r)$$

inv3_3:
$$\forall n \cdot (n \in P \Rightarrow c(n) \in d(n) ... d(n) + 1)$$

thm3_1:
$$\forall m \cdot (m \in P \Rightarrow d(m) \leq d(r))$$

thm3_2:
$$\forall n \cdot (\ n \in P \setminus \{r\} \Rightarrow d(f(n)) \in d(n) \ldots d(n) + 1)$$

thm3_3:
$$\forall n \cdot (n \in P \Rightarrow d(r) \in d(n) ... d(n) + 1)$$

thm3_4:
$$\forall n \cdot (n \in P \Rightarrow c(r) \in d(n) ... d(n) + 1)$$

Third refinement: events





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Event descending_r when d(r) \neq c(r) with n: n = r then d(r) := d(r) + 1 end
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Event descending_nr any n where n \in P \setminus \{r\} d(n) \neq d(f(n)) then d(n) := d(n) + 1 end
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Event ascending any n where n \in P c(n) = d(n) orall m \cdot m \in f^{-1}[\{n\}] \Rightarrow c(n) \neq c(m) then c(n) := c(n) + 1 end
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Observation





- The difference among counters is at most one.
 - That has been proven by construction.
- In the guards, we only care whether they are equal or not.
- For this, we only need parity!

$$|a,b \in \mathbb{N} \land |a-b| \le 1 \Rightarrow (a=b \Leftrightarrow parity(a)=parity(b))$$

- We will prove that this is a valid refinement.
- ✓ Extend context c1 into c2
- ✓ Refine m3 into m4
- √ m4 should see c2

Formalizing parity



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- We replace the counters by their parities
- we add the constant parity

carrier set: P

constants: r, f, parity

axm4_1:
$$parity \in \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \{0,1\}$$

axm4_2:
$$parity(0) = 0$$

axm4_2:
$$\forall x . (x \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow parity(x+1) = 1 - parity(x))$$

- ✓ Add parity and axioms to c2. Note: parity is a function!
- ✓ Need some clicking (dom to \mathbb{N} + ML) to prove WD

The definitions that replace $c(\cdot)$ and $d(\cdot)$





- We replace c and d by p and q

variables: p, q

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\begin{array}{ll} \operatorname{inv4\_1:} & p \in P \to \{0,1\} \\ \\ \operatorname{inv4\_2:} & q \in P \to \{0,1\} \\ \\ \operatorname{inv4\_3:} & \forall n \,.\, (n \in P \,\Rightarrow\, p(n) = parity(c(n))\,) \\ \\ \operatorname{inv4\_4:} & \forall n \,.\, (n \in P \,\Rightarrow\, q(n) = parity(d(n))\,) \end{array}
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- ✓ Do it in m4. Note the gluing invariants! p and q really syntactic sugar.
- ✓ Remove variables c and d. Not accessed / updated in this refinement!
- ✓ Initialize p and q, remove initializations for c and d.



New events: counters replaced by parity



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ascending \begin{array}{l} \text{any } n \text{ where} \\ n \in P \\ p(n) = q(n) \\ \forall m \cdot (\ m \in f^{-1}[\{n\}] \ \Rightarrow \ p(m) \neq p(n) \ ) \\ \text{then} \\ p(n) := 1 - p(n) \\ \text{end} \end{array}
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\begin{array}{c} \mathsf{descending}\_1 \\ & \mathsf{any} \quad n \quad \mathsf{where} \\ & n \in P \setminus \{r\} \\ & q(n) \neq q(f(n)) \\ & \mathsf{then} \\ & q(n) := 1 - q(n) \\ & \mathsf{end} \end{array}
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\begin{array}{c} \text{descending.2} \\ \textbf{when} \\ p(r) \neq q(r) \\ \textbf{then} \\ q(r) := 1 - q(r) \\ \textbf{end} \end{array}
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Proving remaining POs (in ascending)





GRD of
$$q(n) = p(n)$$

- The essence of the pending GRD proof is
 - $\ldots, q(n) = p(n) \vdash c(n) = d(n).$
- Depends on proving $parity(a) = parity(b) \Rightarrow a = b$.
- Holds in specific cases (if $|a b| \le 1$).
- But theorem provers unable to apply / deduce that property.
- Needs to be stated explicitly:

$$\forall x, y \cdot y \in \mathbb{N} \land x \in y..y + 1 \Rightarrow (parity(x) = parity(y) \Leftrightarrow x = y)$$

• We could make it axiom, but it can be proven as theorem (better!).



Proving remaining POs (in ascending) Proving new THM in c2



- We need to deal with Well Definedness and the theorem itself.
 - WD: Removing dom in goal + P0 takes care of it (if WD is to be discharged).
 - THM: Adding hypothesis + case distinction works. See below.
- For the other: introduce ah with possible values of x: $x = y \lor x = y + 1$ (because $x \in y...y + 1$ among the hypotheses).
- Prove new hypothesis with ml.
- For the pending x = y goal, bring hypotheses with lasso.

- New goal: y = y + 1. We need to find contradiction in hypotheses.
- One hypothesis is parity(y+1) = parity(y), which is false.
- Use dc with parity(y) = 0. This causes two instantiations that make proving inconsistency easier.
- P0 works for both branches.

Proving remaining POs (in ascending)



GRD of
$$q(n) = p(n)$$

- Do lasso.
- Instantiate theorem

$$\forall x, y \cdot y \in \mathbb{N} \land x \in y..y + 1 \Rightarrow (parity(x) = parity(y) \Leftrightarrow x = y)$$
 With $c(n)$, $d(n)$. (Bring it from hypotheses if not among selected hypotheses).

- Note: instantiate the right variable with the right value!
- Invoke P0 for the branches remaining to be proven.

simplification rewrites : c(n)=d(n)

- ▼ ② type rewrites : c(n)=d(n)
- ▼ Ø simplification rewrites : c(n)=d(n)
- ▼ Ø sl/ds : c(n)=d(n)

 - ▼ ② ∀ hyp (inst c(n),d(n)) : c(n)=d(n)
 - $\neg \mathscr{O}$ generalized MP : $(n \in dom(d) \land d \in P + \mathbb{Z}) \land (n \in dom(c) \land c \in P + \mathbb{Z})$
 - $\checkmark \mathscr{O}$ simplification rewrites : $(\top \land \top) \land (\top \land \top)$
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 - ▼ Ø simplification rewrites : c(n)=d(n)
 - PP: c(n)=d(n)





GRD of
$$\forall m \cdot m \in f^{\sim}[\{n\}] \Rightarrow p(n) \neq p(m)$$

Idea: we have to prove that if $p(m) \neq p(f(m))$, then $c(n) \neq c(f(m))$. We have a theorem that says $parity(x) = parity(y) \Leftrightarrow x = y$ when $x \in y...y + 1$. So we need $c(n) \in c(f(n))...c(f(n)) + 1$ to apply it. We add it as a **theorem**, which is immediately proven.

- 1. Add a new THM: $\forall n \cdot n \in P \setminus \{r\} \Rightarrow c(n) \in c(f(n))...c(f(n)) + 1$
- 2. Click on the PO for the undischarged GRD.
- 3. Introduce the hypothesis n = f(m) (which comes from $m \in f^{-1}[\{n\}]$) with ah and use ML repeatedly.
- 4. If some subgoal is not proven, bring all the available hypotheses from the Search window and use ML.







- In my case, GRD for $q(n) \neq q(f(n))$ in **descending_nr** remains to be proven.
- It should imply $d(n) \neq d(f(n))$.
- Similar to the previous case.
- Add a symmetrical theorem $\forall n \cdot n \in P \setminus \{r\} \Rightarrow d(f(n)) \in d(n)..d(n) + 1$
- It is immediately proven and it also automatically discharges the pending GRD proof.

Discharging POs (in descending)





• With Rodin 3.8 it may be the case that the invariant

$$\forall n \cdot n \in P \Rightarrow p(n) = parity(c(n))$$

is unproven.

The goal to be proven is

$$1 - p(n) = parity(c(n) + 1)$$

which is immediate from the definition or parity and c(n).

• Just apply lasso, instantiate the definition of parity with c(n), and use ML or P0

At this point, all the POs should be discharged.



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- Why not using them before?
 - $\bullet \ \, \text{SMT solvers external} \to \text{stability not} \\ \text{guaranteed?}$
 - If using SMT Solvers, examples requiring interaction likely too complex for a first contact.
- Install and try the SMT solvers in the examples in this section of the course using less additional theorems / invariants.
- Plugin feeds SMT solvers with "Selected Hypothesis". Possible heuristics:
 - Bring hypotheses to the "Selected" set with lasso, or
 - Select all hypotheses in "Search" tab, add them to "Selected".

