Recognizing Safety and Liveness

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In the context of model checking we want to show that the system behaves correctly in every possible scenario.

$$\pi \models P$$

In the general case, the problem is hard and the complexity depends on the logic we choose to express the properties.

$$\pi\models \mathsf{P}$$

Program

 π is a program, formally represented in terms of:

- A set of program states S_{π} ;
- A set of atomic actions A_{π} ;
- A predicate for the initial states $Init_{\pi}$.

- S_{π} : The only requirement for S_{π} is to be a countable set.
- A_{π} : Atomic actions are subsets of $S_{\pi} \times S_{\pi}$.

$$\alpha = \langle if b \to C fi \rangle$$

= {(s,t) $\in S_{\pi} \times S_{\pi} : s \models b \land t = C(s)$ }

 α is enabled in s if there exists a state t such that $(s, t) \in \alpha$.

• $Init_{\pi}$: Any state s such that $s \models Init_{\pi}$ is a possible initial state.

History

A sequence of states $\sigma = s_0 s_1 \dots$ is called a history of π whenever

- $s_0 \models Init_{\pi}$;
- Every state s_{i+1} is the result of the execution of a single enabled atomic action from A_{π} in s_i .

Finite executions are extended into infinite ones by repeating the last occurring state.

$$\pi \models \mathsf{P}$$

*M_P*Properties can be expressed in terms of Büchi Automaton *M_P*:

$$\pi \models P \iff \forall \sigma \text{ history of } \pi, \sigma \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P)$$

The expressiveness of Büchi Automaton is equivalent to ETL.

Properties: Total Correctness



- Pre holds for states satisfying the preconditions;
- · Done holds for states in which the program has terminated;
- Post holds for states satisfying the post-conditions.

Properties: Starvation Freedom



- $Request_{\phi}$ holds for states in which process ϕ require access to the critical sections;
- Served $_{\phi}$ holds for states in which process ϕ enters the critical section.

$\mathcal{M}_{(P,\pi)}$

A Büchi Automaton $\mathcal{M}_{(P,\pi)}$ is a quintuple $< S_{\pi}, Q, Q_0, Q_{\infty}, \delta >$ where

- S_{π} is the set of states of the program π ;
- Q is the set of automaton states of the property \mathcal{M}_{P} ;
- $Q_0 \subseteq Q$ is the set of initial states of \mathcal{M}_P ;
- $Q_{\infty} \subseteq Q$ is the set of accepting states of \mathcal{M}_{P} ;
- $\delta: (Q \times S_{\pi}) \rightarrow 2^Q$ is the transition function.

Given an execution σ of π :

- $\Gamma_{\mathcal{M}_{(P,\pi)}}(\sigma)$: set of all runs of $\mathcal{M}_{(P,\pi)}$ over σ ;
- $INF_{\mathcal{M}_{(P,\pi)}}(\sigma)$: set of automaton states that appears infinitely many times in any element of $\Gamma_{\mathcal{M}_{(P,\pi)}}(\sigma)$;
- σ is accepted if and only if $INF_{\mathcal{M}_{(P,\pi)}} \cap Q_{\infty} \neq \emptyset$.

Reduced Büchi Automaton

A Büchi Automaton is reduced if and only if there is a path from every state to an accepting state.

Any Büchi Automaton \mathcal{M} is equivalent to a reduced one, and it can be obtained by simply removing all states from which non accepting state is reachable.

Closure Automaton

The closure automaton $cl(\mathcal{M})$ of the Büchi Automaton \mathcal{M} is the automaton in which every state becomes a final state.

The closure automaton can rejects ω -words only by attempting undefined transitions.

Safety properties express the fact that "something bad never happens", which means that any violation is irremediable and has a finite witness.

In the context of automaton, the violation is the attempt to take an undefined transition:

- It is irremediable: halts the computation;
- It has a finite witness: the prefix up to the time point in which the undefined transition is taken defines the witness.

Safety

A property P is a safety property if and only if

$$\forall \sigma \in S^{\omega}_{\pi}(\sigma \models P \iff (\forall i \ge 0 \exists \beta \in S^{\omega}_{\pi} : \sigma[\dots i] \cdot \beta \models P))$$

The definition is the contrapositive of

 $\forall \sigma \in S^{\omega}_{\pi}(\sigma \not\models P \iff (\exists i \ge 0 \ \forall \beta \in S^{\omega}_{\pi} : \sigma[\dots i] \cdot \beta \not\models P))$

The closure automaton can be used to check whether *P* is safety, since it can reject an input only by taking an undefined transition: whenever $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P) = \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P))$ holds, we have that \mathcal{M}_P rejects input only by taking undefined transition.

Theorem

A reduced Büchi Automaton \mathcal{M}_{P} specifies a safety property if and only if

 $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P})=\mathcal{L}(Cl(\mathcal{M}_{P}))$

Safety

Proof: \Rightarrow It holds by definition that $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P) \subseteq \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P))$. To show that $\mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P)) \subseteq \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P)$ we apply the definition of safety: Let $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P))$ and $i \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\exists \beta \in S^{\omega} : \alpha[\ldots i] \cdot \beta \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{\mathsf{P}})$$

Let $q_i = \delta^*(q_0, \alpha[\ldots i])$

- \mathcal{M}_{P} is reduced, so q_{i} precedes an accepting state;
- $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P))$, so both $cl(\mathcal{M}_P)$ and \mathcal{M}_P do not take an undefined transition;

so there exists an extension β_0 such that $\delta^*(q_i, \beta_0) = q_f$ and $q_f \in Q_\infty$.

 $\mathsf{Proof:} \Rightarrow$

This argument can be iterated to build an infinite suffix $\beta = \beta_0 \cdot \beta_1 \cdot \ldots$ such that $\alpha[\ldots i] \cdot \beta$ visits at least one accepting state infinitely often, so $\alpha[\ldots i] \cdot \beta \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P)$. From the facts that

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 $\cdot \mathcal{M}_{P}$ specifies a safety property $\implies \forall \alpha \in \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_{P}))$

 $(\forall i \ge 0 \ \exists \beta \in S^{\omega} : \alpha[\dots i] \cdot \beta \models P) \Rightarrow \alpha \models P$

- $\cdot \mathcal{M}_{P}$ specifies a safety property
- $\forall i \geq 0 \ \exists \beta \in S^{\omega} : \alpha[\ldots i] \cdot \beta \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P)$

it follows that $\alpha \models P$, or equivalently $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P)$. \Box

Safety

Proof: ⇐

Assume $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P) = \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P))$. In order to prove that \mathcal{M}_P specifies a safety property, we will prove

$$\sigma \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P}) \iff \forall i \geq 0 \; \exists \beta \in S^{\omega} \sigma[\dots i] \cdot \beta \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P})$$

(\Longrightarrow) is trivially satisfied we can choose $\beta = \sigma[i + 1...]$. We want to prove

$$\forall i \geq 0 \; \exists \beta \in S^{\omega} \sigma[\dots i] \cdot \beta \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P}) \implies \sigma \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P})$$

equivalent to

$$\sigma \notin \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P}) \implies \neg(\forall i \ge 0 \exists \beta \in S^{\omega}(\sigma[\dots i]\beta \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P})))$$
$$\sigma \notin \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P}) \implies (\exists i \ge 0 \forall \beta \in S^{\omega}(\sigma[\dots i] \cdot \beta \notin \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P})))$$

$$\sigma \notin \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P}) \implies (\exists i \geq 0 \; \forall \beta \in S^{\omega}(\sigma[\ldots i] \cdot \beta \notin \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P}))$$

Since $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P) = \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P))$, we can substitute the two on both sides

$$\sigma \notin \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P)) \implies (\exists i \geq 0 \ \forall \beta \in S^{\omega}(\sigma[\ldots i] \cdot \beta \notin \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P)))$$

Let $\alpha \notin \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P))$, then α is rejected upon taking an undefined transition because all states in $cl(\mathcal{M}_P)$ are finals. Let k be the index of such transition. It is easy to see that $\forall \beta \in S^{\omega}$

 $\sigma[\ldots k] \cdot \beta \not\in \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P))$

Liveness properties express the fact that "something good will eventually happen".

In the context of automaton, this can be recognized as the ability to recover any partial execution and is the opposite of Safety. Liveness properties do not allow *"bad things"* to happen, since they would be irrecoverable: any violation requires an infinite behavior and is not detectable by analyzing a finite prefix.

Liveness

A reduced Büchi Automaton \mathcal{M}_{P} specifies a liveness property if and only if

$$\forall \alpha \in \mathsf{S}^* \exists \beta \in \mathsf{S}^{\omega}(\alpha \cdot \beta \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P))$$

Notice that the definition is different from CoSafety, which states that

$$\forall \sigma \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P}) \exists i \in \mathbb{N} \forall \beta \in S^{\omega}(\sigma[\ldots i] \cdot \beta \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P}))$$

and requires only finite time to check the satisfaction of an ω -word.

The closure automaton can be used to check whether a property is liveness, since it can reject an input only by taking an undefined transition. For *P* to be liveness, \mathcal{M}_P must not take any undefined transition, which means that the language recognized by the closure automaton must be S^{ω} .

Theorem
A reduced Büchi Automaton \mathcal{M}_P specifies a liveness property if and only if
$\mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P)) = S^{\omega}$

Proof: \Rightarrow

Assume \mathcal{M}_P specifies a liveness property and $\alpha \in S^{\omega}$. We can instantiate the definition of liveness for any prefix of α :

$$\forall i \geq 0 \; \exists \beta \in S^{\omega}(\alpha[\ldots i] \cdot \beta \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P}))$$

meaning that M_P does not take any undefined transition reading α , otherwise it would be irrecoverable.

Since M_P and its closure share the same transition function, none of them take an undefined transition and the closure automaton must accept α .

This means that $\forall \alpha \in S^{\omega} \ \alpha \in \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P)) = S^{\omega}$. \Box

Liveness

Proof: ⇐

Assume $\mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P)) = S^{\omega}$ and $\alpha \in S^{\omega}$. We want to prove that \mathcal{M}_P specifies a liveness property by showing that $\forall i \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\exists \beta \in S^{\omega} : \alpha[\ldots i] \cdot \beta \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P}))$$

Let $i \in \mathbb{N}$ and $q_i = \delta^*(q_0, \alpha[\ldots i])$

- \mathcal{M}_{P} is reduced, so q_{i} precedes an accepting state;
- Since $\mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P)) = S^{\omega}$, $cl(\mathcal{M}_P)$ does not take any undefined transition while reading $\alpha[\ldots i]$, and the same behavior applies to \mathcal{M}_P ;

so there exists an extension β_0 such that $\delta^*(q_i, \beta_0) = q_f$ and $q_f \in Q_\infty$.

Proof: ⇐

This argument can be iterated to build an infinite suffix $\beta = \beta_0 \cdot \beta_1 \cdot \ldots$ such that $\alpha[\ldots i] \cdot \beta$ visits at least one accepting state infinitely often, so $\alpha[\ldots i] \cdot \beta \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P)$. It follows that

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$$\exists \beta \in S^{\omega} : \alpha[\ldots i] \cdot \beta \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{\mathsf{P}})$$

so the definition of liveness holds. \Box

We now want to show that any property P, expressed by an automaton \mathcal{M}_{P} , can be partitioned into two automata such that

- A Büchi Automaton $Safe(\mathcal{M}_P)$ will specify the safety part of P;
- A Büchi Automaton *Live*(\mathcal{M}_P) will specify the liveness part of *P*;
- *P* will be described by the intersection of $Safe(\mathcal{M}_P)$ and $Live(\mathcal{M}_P)$.

The closure automaton can be exploited.

Theorem

 $Safe(\mathcal{M}_P) = cl(\mathcal{M}_P)$ specifies a safety property.

The proof is trivial since $\mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P)) = \mathcal{L}(cl(cl(\mathcal{M}_P)))$.

Theorem: recall

A reduced Büchi Automaton \mathcal{M}_{P} specifies a safety property if and only if

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P}) = \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_{P}))$$

The objective is to construct an automaton such that

$$\mathcal{L}(Live(\mathcal{M}_P)) = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P) \cup (S^{\omega} - \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P)))$$

We need to distinguish the deterministic and non deterministic case. In the deterministic case

- A new accepting trap state q_{trap} is added to \mathcal{M}_{P} ;
- every undefined transition is replaced with a transition into q_{trap} .

Lemma

$$\mathcal{L}(Live(\mathcal{M}_{P})) = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P}) \cup (S^{\omega} - \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_{P})))$$

Proof: \subseteq Assume $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}(Live(\mathcal{M}_P))$, one of the two cases occurs

• $q_{trap} \in INF_{\mathcal{M}_{P}}(\alpha)$, which means that \mathcal{M}_{P} would have taken an undefined transition while reading α . Since the closure automaton behaves like \mathcal{M}_{P} ,

 $\alpha \notin \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_{P})) \equiv \alpha \in S^{\omega} - \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_{P}));$

Lemma

$$\mathcal{L}(Live(\mathcal{M}_{P})) = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P}) \cup (S^{\omega} - \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_{P})))$$

Proof: \subseteq Assume $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}(Live(\mathcal{M}_P))$, one of the two cases occurs

• $q_{trap} \notin INF_{\mathcal{M}_{P}}(\alpha)$, which means that another state $q_{f} \in Q_{\infty}$ occurs infinitely many times in the computation of $Live(\mathcal{M}_{P})$, and so it does in the computation of \mathcal{M}_{P} , which means that $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P})$.

Live(\mathcal{M}_P): deterministic



Lemma

$$\mathcal{L}(Live(\mathcal{M}_{P})) = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P}) \cup (S^{\omega} - \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_{P})))$$

Proof: \supseteq Assume $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{\mathsf{P}}) \cup (S^{\omega} - \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_{\mathsf{P}})))$

• if $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P)$, then $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}(Live(\mathcal{M}_P))$ by construction, since they are equivalent when no undefined transition is taken;

Lemma

$$\mathcal{L}(Live(\mathcal{M}_P)) = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P) \cup (S^{\omega} - \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P)))$$

Proof: \supseteq Assume $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P) \cup (S^{\omega} - \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P)))$

- if $\alpha \in S^{\omega} \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_{P}))$, then $\alpha \notin \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_{P}))$
 - $cl(\mathcal{M}_P)$ takes an undefined transition while reading α , and so does \mathcal{M}_P ;
 - That transition is replaced by a transition into q_{trap} in $Live(\mathcal{M}_P)$;
 - *q*_{trap} is an accepting trap state, and will be visited infinitely many times.

The objective is to construct an automaton such that

$$\mathcal{L}(Live(\mathcal{M}_P)) = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P) \cup (S^{\omega} - \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P)))$$

We need to distinguish the deterministic and non deterministic case. In the non deterministic case

- The automaton $env(\mathcal{M}_P)$ for $S^{\omega} \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P))$ is constructed
 - Apply the subset construction to determinize \mathcal{M}_{P} ;
 - Add a new trap state q_{trap} , which will be the only accepting state;
 - Replace every undefined transition with a transition into q_{trap} .
- *Live*(\mathcal{M}_P) is obtained by the union of \mathcal{M}_P and $env(\mathcal{M}_P)$.

Lemma

$$\mathcal{L}(Live(\mathcal{M}_P)) = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P) \cup (S^{\omega} - \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P)))$$

Since $env(\mathcal{M}_P)$ specifies $S^{\omega} - \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P))$ by capturing all undefined transitions in $cl(\mathcal{M}_P)$, the proof is trivial by closure properties for non deterministic Büchi Automaton.

Theorem

 $Live(\mathcal{M}_P)$ specifies a liveness property.

The proof is trivial in the deterministic case, since all undefined transition are replaced by a transition into q_{trap} by construction.

Theorem: recall

A reduced Büchi Automaton \mathcal{M}_{P} specifies a liveness property if and only if

 $\mathcal{L}(Cl(\mathcal{M}_P)) = S^{\omega}$

Theorem

 $Live(\mathcal{M}_P)$ specifies a liveness property.

In the non deterministic case, from the previous lemma we have that

$$\mathcal{L}(\text{Live}(\mathcal{M}_{P})) = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P}) \cup (S^{\omega} - \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_{P})))$$
$$\mathcal{L}(cl(\text{Live}(\mathcal{M}_{P}))) = \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_{P})) \cup \mathcal{L}(cl(\text{env}(\mathcal{M}_{P})))$$
$$\mathcal{L}(cl(\text{Live}(\mathcal{M}_{P}))) \supseteq \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_{P})) \cup \mathcal{L}(\text{env}(\mathcal{M}_{P}))$$
$$\mathcal{L}(cl(\text{Live}(\mathcal{M}_{P}))) \supseteq \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_{P})) \cup (S^{\omega} - \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_{P})))$$
$$\mathcal{L}(cl(\text{Live}(\mathcal{M}_{P}))) \supseteq S^{\omega}$$
$$\mathcal{L}(cl(\text{Live}(\mathcal{M}_{P}))) = S^{\omega}$$

 $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P)$

Theorem

Given a reduced Büchi Automaton \mathcal{M}_{P}

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{P}) = \mathcal{L}(Safe(\mathcal{M}_{P})) \cap \mathcal{L}(Live(\mathcal{M}_{P}))$$

Proof:

$$\mathcal{L}(Live(\mathcal{M}_P)) \cap \mathcal{L}(Safe(\mathcal{M}_P))$$
$$(\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P) \cup (S^{\omega} - \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P)))) \cap \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P))$$
$$(\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P) \cap \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P))) \cup ((S^{\omega} - \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P))) \cap \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P)))$$
$$(\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P) \cap \mathcal{L}(cl(\mathcal{M}_P))) \cup \varnothing)$$
$$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P)$$

Example: $\mathcal{M}_{\mathsf{Total Correctness}}$



Example: $Safe(\mathcal{M}_{Total Correctness})$



Example: $\mathcal{L}(Safe(\mathcal{M}_{Total \ Correctness})) = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{Partial \ Correctness})$



Example: Live($\mathcal{M}_{Total Correctness}$)



Example: $\mathcal{L}(Live(\mathcal{M}_{Total \ Correctness})) = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_{Termination})$



To verify whether $\pi \models P$, it needs to be proven that every possible history of π is accepted by the automaton $\mathcal{M}_{(P,\pi)}$. In order to do so, we will specify proof obligations using Hoare's logic, which specifies triples of the form {*Pre*}*action*{*Post*}, where

- Pre is the set of preconditions;
- action is the code fragment that must terminate;
- *Post* is the set of postconditions.

Correspondence invariant

Let q_i be an automaton state and s be a program state. A correspondence invariant C_i for q_i is a predicate such that $s \models C_i$ if and only if there exists a history of π containing s, and $\mathcal{M}_{(P,\pi)}$ enters q_i upon reading s.

Correspondence invariants are needed to maintain the consistency between program states and automaton states. A correspondence invariant C_i is defined for each automaton state q_i .

Reject knot

A *reject knot* \mathcal{K} is a maximal strongly connected subset of automaton states in $\mathcal{M}_{(P,\pi)}$ with no accepting states.

Variant function

Let q_i be an automaton state and s be a program state. Let \mathcal{K} be a reject knot. A variant function $v_{\mathcal{K}}(q_i, s)$ is a function from $Q \times S_{\pi}$ to a well-founded set, such as \mathbb{N} .

The variant function is used to keep track of the evolution of the computation.

Transition predicate

A transition predicate T_{ij} for $\mathcal{M}_{(P,\pi)}$ is a predicate that holds for all program states $s \in S_{\pi}$ such that $q_j \in \delta(q_i, s)$.

Transition predicates are used in proof obligations to track the possible computations of the automaton.

Correspondence Basis

$$\forall j: q_j \in Q(Init_{\pi} \wedge T_{0j} \implies C_j)$$

Correspondence Induction

$$\forall \alpha \in \mathsf{A}_{\pi} \ \forall i : q_i \in Q(\{C_i\} \alpha \{\bigwedge_{j:q_j \in Q} (T_{ij} \implies C_j)\})$$

They impose the correctness of the correspondence invariants.

Transition Basis

$$Init_{\pi} \implies \bigvee_{j:q_j \in Q} T_{0j}$$

Transition Induction

$$\forall \alpha \in \mathsf{A}_{\pi} \, \forall i : q_i \in Q(\{C_i\} \alpha \{\bigvee_{j:q_j \in Q} T_{ij}\})$$

Enforce the safety part of \mathcal{M}_{P} as they force the automaton to avoid undefined transition.

Knot Exit

$$\forall \mathcal{K} \,\forall i: q_i \in \mathcal{K}(v_{\mathcal{K}}(q_i) = 0 \implies \neg C_i)$$

Knot Variance

$$\forall \mathcal{K} \,\forall \alpha \in A_{\pi} \,\forall q_{i} \in \mathcal{K} \\ (\{C_{i} \land (0 < \mathsf{v}_{\mathcal{K}}(q_{i}) = \mathsf{V})\} \alpha \{\bigwedge_{j:q_{j} \in \mathcal{K}} ((T_{ij} \land C_{j}) \implies (\mathsf{v}_{\mathcal{K}}(q_{j}) < \mathsf{V}))\})$$

Enforce the liveness part of M_P as they impose the termination of π in possible infinite loops with no accepting states.

When dealing with safety properties:

- Safe(M_P) doesn't have any reject knots: obligations Knot Exit and Knot Variance are trivially satisfied;
- For every safety property $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}_P) = \mathcal{L}(Safe(\mathcal{M}_P))$: proving $\pi \models Safe(\mathcal{M}_P)$ is sufficient to prove that $\pi \models \mathcal{M}_P$.

Proof obligations *Correspondence Basis, Correspondence Induction, Transition Basis* and *Transition Induction* needs to be checked, and they involve an *invariance argument*.

When dealing with liveness properties:

 For any liveness property, the corresponding automaton cannot take any undefined transition, since *L*(*cl*(*M_P*)) = *S^ω* : obligations *Transition Basis* and *Transition induction* are trivially satisfied.

Proof obligations *Correspondence Basis, Correspondence Induction, Knot Exit* and *Knot Variance* needs to be checked, and they involve both an *invariance argument* and a *well-foundedness* argument.