

# Introduction to Formal Methods

## Chapter 03: Temporal Logics

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# Boolean logic



# Basic notation & definitions

## Boolean formula

- $\top, \perp$  are formulas
- A **propositional atom**  $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots$  is a formula;
- if  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are formulas, then  
 $\neg\varphi_1, \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2, \varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2, \varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2, \varphi_1 \leftarrow \varphi_2, \varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2$   
 are formulas.

- **Atoms**( $\varphi$ ): the set  $\{A_1, \dots, A_N\}$  of atoms occurring in  $\varphi$ .
- **Literal**: a propositional atom  $A_i$  (**positive literal**) or its negation  $\neg A_i$  (**negative literal**)
  - Notation: if  $l := \neg A_i$ , then  $\neg l := A_i$
- **Clause**: a disjunction of literals  $\bigvee_j l_j$  (e.g.,  $(A_1 \vee \neg A_2 \vee A_3 \vee \dots)$ )
- **Cube**: a conjunction of literals  $\bigwedge_j l_j$  (e.g.,  $(A_1 \wedge \neg A_2 \wedge A_3 \wedge \dots)$ )

# Semantics of Boolean operators

- Truth table:

$\varphi_1$	$\varphi_2$	$\neg\varphi_1$	$\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2$	$\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2$	$\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2$	$\varphi_1 \leftarrow \varphi_2$	$\varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2$
$\perp$	$\perp$	$\top$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\top$	$\top$	$\top$
$\perp$	$\top$	$\top$	$\perp$	$\top$	$\top$	$\perp$	$\perp$
$\top$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$	$\top$	$\perp$	$\top$	$\perp$
$\top$	$\top$	$\perp$	$\top$	$\top$	$\top$	$\top$	$\top$

## Note

- $\wedge$ ,  $\vee$  and  $\leftrightarrow$  are commutative:

$$(\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2) \iff (\varphi_2 \wedge \varphi_1)$$

$$(\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2) \iff (\varphi_2 \vee \varphi_1)$$

$$(\varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2) \iff (\varphi_2 \leftrightarrow \varphi_1)$$

- $\wedge$  and  $\vee$  are associative:

$$((\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2) \wedge \varphi_3) \iff (\varphi_1 \wedge (\varphi_2 \wedge \varphi_3)) \iff (\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 \wedge \varphi_3)$$

$$((\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2) \vee \varphi_3) \iff (\varphi_1 \vee (\varphi_2 \vee \varphi_3)) \iff (\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2 \vee \varphi_3)$$

# Syntactic Properties of Boolean Operators

$$\begin{aligned}
 \neg\neg\varphi_1 &\iff \varphi_1 \\
 (\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2) &\iff \neg(\neg\varphi_1 \wedge \neg\varphi_2) \\
 \neg(\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2) &\iff (\neg\varphi_1 \wedge \neg\varphi_2) \\
 (\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2) &\iff \neg(\neg\varphi_1 \vee \neg\varphi_2) \\
 \neg(\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2) &\iff (\neg\varphi_1 \vee \neg\varphi_2) \\
 (\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2) &\iff (\neg\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2) \\
 \neg(\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2) &\iff (\varphi_1 \wedge \neg\varphi_2) \\
 (\varphi_1 \leftarrow \varphi_2) &\iff (\varphi_1 \vee \neg\varphi_2) \\
 \neg(\varphi_1 \leftarrow \varphi_2) &\iff (\neg\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2) \\
 (\varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2) &\iff ((\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2) \wedge (\varphi_1 \leftarrow \varphi_2)) \\
 &\iff ((\neg\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2) \wedge (\varphi_1 \vee \neg\varphi_2)) \\
 \neg(\varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2) &\iff (\neg\varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2) \\
 &\iff (\varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \neg\varphi_2) \\
 &\iff ((\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2) \wedge (\neg\varphi_1 \vee \neg\varphi_2))
 \end{aligned}$$

Boolean logic can be expressed in terms of  $\{\neg, \wedge\}$  (or  $\{\neg, \vee\}$ ) only

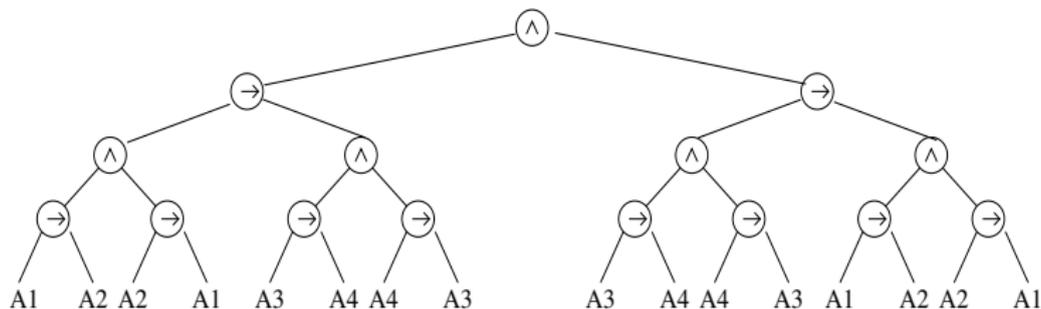
# TREE and DAG representation of formulas: example

Formulas can be represented either as trees or as DAGS:

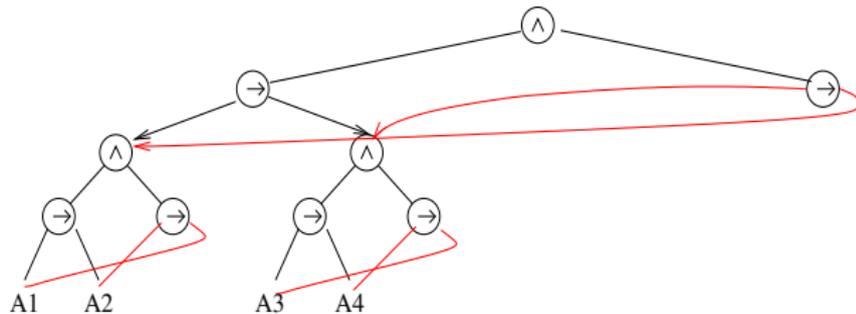
- DAG representation can be up to exponentially smaller

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (A_1 \leftrightarrow A_2) \leftrightarrow (A_3 \leftrightarrow A_4) \\
 & \quad \Downarrow \\
 & (((A_1 \leftrightarrow A_2) \rightarrow (A_3 \leftrightarrow A_4)) \wedge \\
 & \quad ((A_3 \leftrightarrow A_4) \rightarrow (A_1 \leftrightarrow A_2))) \\
 & \quad \Downarrow \\
 & (((A_1 \rightarrow A_2) \wedge (A_2 \rightarrow A_1)) \rightarrow ((A_3 \rightarrow A_4) \wedge (A_4 \rightarrow A_3))) \wedge \\
 & (((A_3 \rightarrow A_4) \wedge (A_4 \rightarrow A_3)) \rightarrow (((A_1 \rightarrow A_2) \wedge (A_2 \rightarrow A_1))))
 \end{aligned}$$

# TREE and DAG representation of formulas: example (cont)



*Tree Representation*



*DAG Representation*

## Basic notation & definitions (cont)

- **Total truth assignment**  $\mu$  for  $\varphi$ :  
 $\mu : \mathit{Atoms}(\varphi) \mapsto \{\top, \perp\}$ .
- **Partial Truth assignment**  $\mu$  for  $\varphi$ :  
 $\mu : \mathcal{A} \mapsto \{\top, \perp\}, \mathcal{A} \subset \mathit{Atoms}(\varphi)$ .
- **Set and formula representation of an assignment:**
  - $\mu$  can be represented as a set of literals:  
 EX:  $\{\mu(A_1) := \top, \mu(A_2) := \perp\} \implies \{A_1, \neg A_2\}$
  - $\mu$  can be represented as a formula (cube):  
 EX:  $\{\mu(A_1) := \top, \mu(A_2) := \perp\} \implies (A_1 \wedge \neg A_2)$

## Basic notation & definitions (cont)

- a **total** truth assignment  $\mu$  **satisfies**  $\varphi$  ( $\mu \models \varphi$ ):
  - $\mu \models A_i \iff \mu(A_i) = \top$
  - $\mu \models \neg\varphi \iff$  *not*  $\mu \models \varphi$
  - $\mu \models \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 \iff \mu \models \varphi_1$  *and*  $\mu \models \varphi_2$
  - $\mu \models \varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2 \iff \mu \models \varphi_1$  *or*  $\mu \models \varphi_2$
  - $\mu \models \varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2 \iff$  *if*  $\mu \models \varphi_1$ , *then*  $\mu \models \varphi_2$
  - $\mu \models \varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2 \iff \mu \models \varphi_1$  *iff*  $\mu \models \varphi_2$
- a **partial** truth assignment  $\mu$  **satisfies**  $\varphi$  iff it makes  $\varphi$  evaluate to true (Ex:  $\{A_1\} \models (A_1 \vee A_2)$ )
  - $\implies$  if  $\mu$  satisfies  $\varphi$ , then all its total extensions satisfy  $\varphi$   
(Ex:  $\{A_1, A_2\} \models (A_1 \vee A_2)$  and  $\{A_1, \neg A_2\} \models (A_1 \vee A_2)$ )
- $\varphi$  is **satisfiable** iff  $\mu \models \varphi$  for some  $\mu$
- $\varphi_1$  **entails**  $\varphi_2$  ( $\varphi_1 \models \varphi_2$ ):  $\varphi_1 \models \varphi_2$  iff  $\mu \models \varphi_1 \implies \mu \models \varphi_2$  for every  $\mu$
- $\varphi$  is **valid** ( $\models \varphi$ ):  $\models \varphi$  iff  $\mu \models \varphi$  for every  $\mu$

### Property

$\varphi$  is valid  $\iff \neg\varphi$  is not satisfiable

## Equivalence and equi-satisfiability

- $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are **equivalent** iff, for every  $\mu$ ,  $\mu \models \varphi_1$  iff  $\mu \models \varphi_2$
- $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are **equi-satisfiable** iff  
exists  $\mu_1$  s.t.  $\mu_1 \models \varphi_1$  iff exists  $\mu_2$  s.t.  $\mu_2 \models \varphi_2$
- $\varphi_1, \varphi_2$  equivalent  
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 $\varphi_1, \varphi_2$  equi-satisfiable
- EX:  $\varphi_1 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \psi_1 \vee \psi_2$  and  $\varphi_2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\psi_1 \vee \neg A_3) \wedge (A_3 \vee \psi_2)$  s.t.  $A_3$  not in  $\psi_1 \vee \psi_2$ , are equi-satisfiable but not equivalent:
  - $\mu \models (\psi_1 \vee \neg A_3) \wedge (A_3 \vee \psi_2) \implies \mu \models \psi_1 \vee \psi_2$
  - $\mu' \models \psi_1 \vee \psi_2 \implies \mu' \wedge A_3 \models (\psi_1 \vee \neg A_3) \wedge (A_3 \vee \psi_2)$  or  
 $\mu' \wedge \neg A_3 \models (\psi_1 \vee \neg A_3) \wedge (A_3 \vee \psi_2)$  [ $\varphi_1, \varphi_2$  equi-satisfiable]
  - $\mu' \not\models \psi_1$  and  $\mu' \models \psi_2 \implies \mu' \wedge A_3 \models \psi_1 \vee \psi_2$  and  
 $\mu' \wedge A_3 \not\models (\psi_1 \vee \neg A_3) \wedge (A_3 \vee \psi_2)$  [ $\varphi_1, \varphi_2$  not equivalent]
- Typically used when  $\varphi_2$  is the result of applying some transformation  $T$  to  $\varphi_1$ :  $\varphi_2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} T(\varphi_1)$ :  
 we say that  $T$  is **validity-preserving** [**satisfiability-preserving**] iff  
 $T(\varphi_1)$  and  $\varphi_1$  are equivalent [equi-satisfiable]

# Complexity

- For  $N$  variables, there are up to  $2^N$  truth assignments to be checked.
- The problem of deciding the satisfiability of a propositional formula is **NP-complete**
- The most important logical problems (**validity**, **inference**, **entailment**, **equivalence**, ...) can be straightforwardly reduced to **satisfiability**, and are thus **(co)NP-complete**.



No existing worst-case-polynomial algorithm.

# POLARITY of subformulas

## ● Positive/negative occurrences

- $\varphi$  occurs positively in  $\varphi$ ;
- if  $\neg\varphi_1$  occurs positively [negatively] in  $\varphi$ , then  $\varphi_1$  occurs negatively [positively] in  $\varphi$
- if  $\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2$  or  $\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2$  occur positively [negatively] in  $\varphi$ , then  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  occur positively [negatively] in  $\varphi$ ;
- if  $\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2$  occurs positively [negatively] in  $\varphi$ , then  $\varphi_1$  occurs negatively [positively] in  $\varphi$  and  $\varphi_2$  occurs positively [negatively] in  $\varphi$ ;
- if  $\varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2$  occurs in  $\varphi$ , then  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  occur positively and negatively in  $\varphi$ ;

## ● EX:

- $\varphi_1$  occurs positively in  $\neg(\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2)$
- $\varphi_2$  occurs negatively in  $\neg(\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2)$
- intuition:  $\varphi_1$  occurs positively [negatively] in  $\varphi$  iff it occurs under the scope of an (implicit) even [odd] number of negations.

⇒ Polarity: the number of nested negations modulo 2.

# Substitution

## Properties

- If  $\varphi_1$  is equivalent to  $\varphi_2$ , then  $\varphi[\varphi_1|\varphi_2]$  is equivalent to  $\varphi$ :

$$\begin{aligned} &\models (\varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2) \\ &\quad \downarrow \\ &\models \varphi[\varphi_1|\varphi_2] \leftrightarrow \varphi \end{aligned}$$

- If  $\varphi_2$  entails  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_1$  occurs only positively in  $\varphi$ , then  $\varphi[\varphi_1|\varphi_2]$  entails  $\varphi$ :

$$\begin{aligned} &\varphi_2 \models \varphi_1 \\ &\quad \downarrow \\ &\varphi[\varphi_1|\varphi_2] \models \varphi \end{aligned}$$

- dual case for negative occurrence

## Negative normal form (NNF)

- $\varphi$  is in **Negative normal form** iff it is given only by the recursive applications of  $\wedge, \vee$  to literals.
- **every  $\varphi$  can be reduced into NNF:**
  - (i) substituting all  $\rightarrow$ 's and  $\leftrightarrow$ 's:

$$\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2 \implies \neg\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2$$

$$\varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2 \implies (\neg\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2) \wedge (\varphi_1 \vee \neg\varphi_2)$$

- (ii) pushing down negations recursively:

$$\neg(\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2) \implies \neg\varphi_1 \vee \neg\varphi_2$$

$$\neg(\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2) \implies \neg\varphi_1 \wedge \neg\varphi_2$$

$$\neg\neg\varphi_1 \implies \varphi_1$$

- The reduction is **linear** if a DAG representation is used.
- Preserves the **equivalence** of formulas.

# NNF: example

$$(A_1 \leftrightarrow A_2) \leftrightarrow (A_3 \leftrightarrow A_4)$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (((A_1 \rightarrow A_2) \wedge (A_1 \leftarrow A_2)) \rightarrow ((A_3 \rightarrow A_4) \wedge (A_3 \leftarrow A_4))) \wedge \\ & (((A_1 \rightarrow A_2) \wedge (A_1 \leftarrow A_2)) \leftarrow ((A_3 \rightarrow A_4) \wedge (A_3 \leftarrow A_4))) \end{aligned}$$

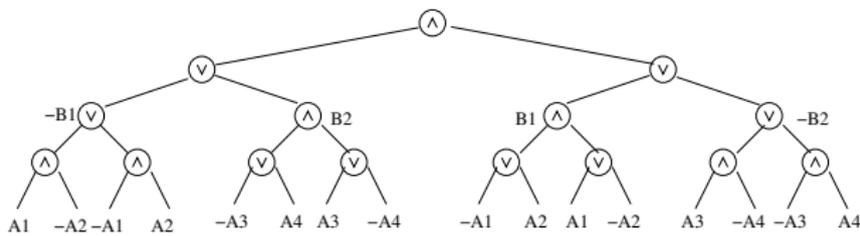
$$\Downarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} & ((\neg((\neg A_1 \vee A_2) \wedge (A_1 \vee \neg A_2))) \vee ((\neg A_3 \vee A_4) \wedge (A_3 \vee \neg A_4))) \wedge \\ & (((\neg A_1 \vee A_2) \wedge (A_1 \vee \neg A_2)) \vee \neg((\neg A_3 \vee A_4) \wedge (A_3 \vee \neg A_4))) \end{aligned}$$

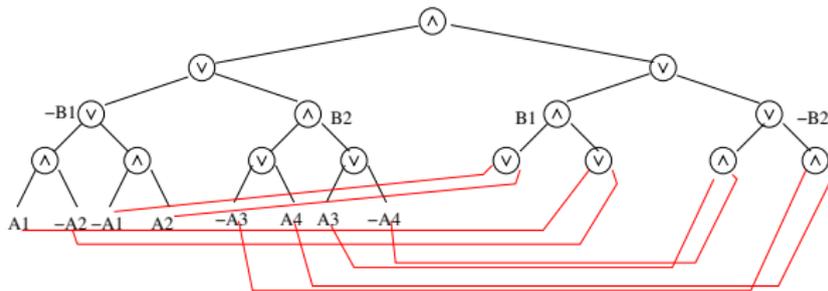
$$\Downarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (((A_1 \wedge \neg A_2) \vee (\neg A_1 \wedge A_2)) \vee ((\neg A_3 \vee A_4) \wedge (A_3 \vee \neg A_4))) \wedge \\ & (((\neg A_1 \vee A_2) \wedge (A_1 \vee \neg A_2)) \vee ((A_3 \wedge \neg A_4) \vee (\neg A_3 \wedge A_4))) \end{aligned}$$

# NNF: example (cont)



Tree Representation



DAG Representation

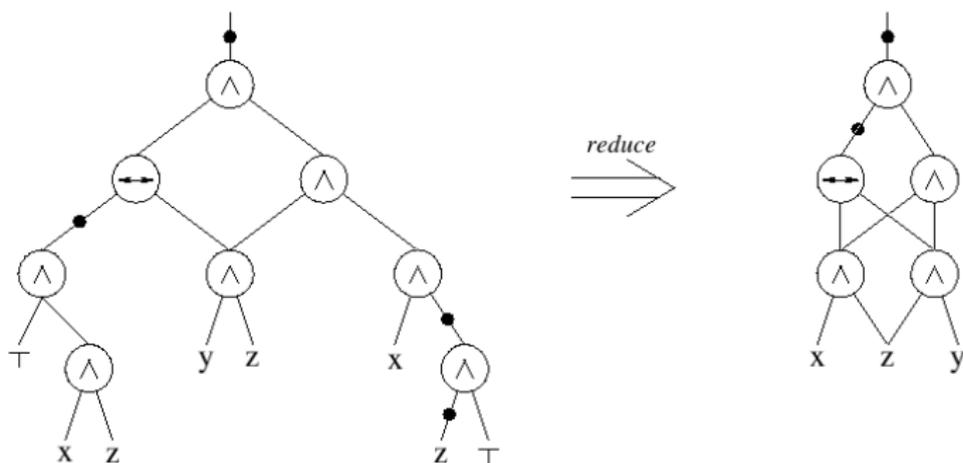
## Note

For each non-literal subformula  $\varphi$ ,  $\varphi$  and  $\neg\varphi$  have different representations  $\implies$  they are not shared.

# Optimized polynomial representations

## And-Inverter Graphs, Reduced Boolean Circuits, Boolean Expression Diagrams

- Maximize the sharing in DAG representations:
  - $\{\wedge, \leftrightarrow, \neg\}$ -only, negations on arcs, sorting of subformulae, lifting of  $\neg$ 's over  $\leftrightarrow$ 's,...



# Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)

- $\varphi$  is in **Conjunctive normal form** iff it is a conjunction of disjunctions of literals:

$$\bigwedge_{i=1}^L \bigvee_{j=1}^{K_i} l_{ji}$$

- the disjunctions of literals  $\bigvee_{j=1}^{K_i} l_{ji}$  are called **clauses**
- Easier to handle: list of lists of literals.  
 $\implies$  no reasoning on the recursive structure of the formula

# Classic CNF Conversion $CNF(\varphi)$

- Every  $\varphi$  can be reduced into CNF by, e.g.,
  - (i) converting it into NNF (not indispensable);
  - (ii) applying recursively the DeMorgan's Rule:
 
$$(\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2) \vee \varphi_3 \implies (\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_3) \wedge (\varphi_2 \vee \varphi_3)$$
- Worst-case exponential.
- $Atoms(CNF(\varphi)) = Atoms(\varphi)$ .
- $CNF(\varphi)$  is equivalent to  $\varphi$ .
- Rarely used in practice.

# Labeling CNF conversion $CNF_{label}(\varphi)$

- Every  $\varphi$  can be reduced into CNF by, e.g., applying recursively bottom-up the rules:

$$\varphi \implies \varphi[(l_i \vee l_j)|B] \wedge CNF(B \leftrightarrow (l_i \vee l_j))$$

$$\varphi \implies \varphi[(l_i \wedge l_j)|B] \wedge CNF(B \leftrightarrow (l_i \wedge l_j))$$

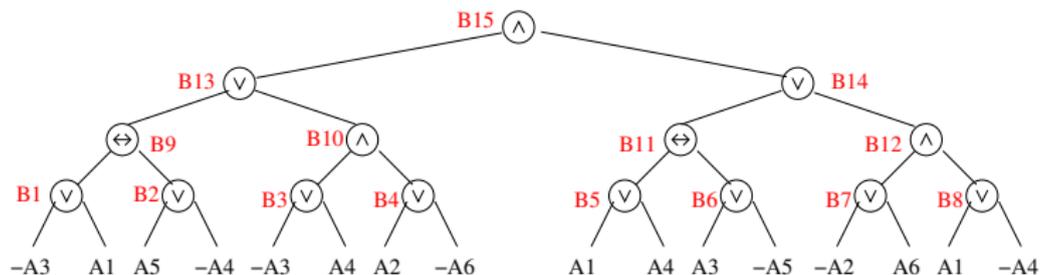
$$\varphi \implies \varphi[(l_i \leftrightarrow l_j)|B] \wedge CNF(B \leftrightarrow (l_i \leftrightarrow l_j))$$

$l_i, l_j$  being literals and  $B$  being a “new” variable.

- Worst-case **linear**.
- $Atoms(CNF_{label}(\varphi)) \supseteq Atoms(\varphi)$ .
- $CNF_{label}(\varphi)$  is **equi-satisfiable** w.r.t.  $\varphi$ .
- More used in practice.

Labeling CNF conversion  $CNF_{label}(\varphi)$  (cont.)

$CNF(B \leftrightarrow (l_i \vee l_j))$	$\iff$	$(\neg B \vee l_i \vee l_j) \wedge$ $(B \vee \neg l_i) \wedge$ $(B \vee \neg l_j)$
$CNF(B \leftrightarrow (l_i \wedge l_j))$	$\iff$	$(\neg B \vee l_i) \wedge$ $(\neg B \vee l_j) \wedge$ $(B \vee \neg l_i \neg l_j)$
$CNF(B \leftrightarrow (l_i \leftrightarrow l_j))$	$\iff$	$(\neg B \vee \neg l_i \vee l_j) \wedge$ $(\neg B \vee l_i \vee \neg l_j) \wedge$ $(B \vee l_i \vee l_j) \wedge$ $(B \vee \neg l_i \vee \neg l_j)$

Labeling CNF conversion  $CNF_{label}$  – example

$$\begin{aligned}
 & CNF(B_1 \leftrightarrow (\neg A_3 \vee A_1)) \quad \wedge \\
 & \dots \quad \wedge \\
 & CNF(B_8 \leftrightarrow (A_1 \vee \neg A_4)) \quad \wedge \\
 & CNF(B_9 \leftrightarrow (B_1 \leftrightarrow B_2)) \quad \wedge \\
 & \dots \quad \wedge \\
 & CNF(B_{12} \leftrightarrow (B_7 \wedge B_8)) \quad \wedge \\
 & CNF(B_{13} \leftrightarrow (B_9 \vee B_{10})) \quad \wedge \\
 & CNF(B_{14} \leftrightarrow (B_{11} \vee B_{12})) \quad \wedge \\
 & CNF(B_{15} \leftrightarrow (B_{13} \wedge B_{14})) \quad \wedge \\
 & B_{15}
 \end{aligned}$$

# Labeling CNF conversion $CNF_{label}$ (variant)

- As in the previous case, applying instead the rules:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi &\implies \varphi[(l_i \vee l_j)|B] \wedge CNF(B \rightarrow (l_i \vee l_j)) && \text{if } (l_i \vee l_j) \text{ pos.} \\ \varphi &\implies \varphi[(l_i \vee l_j)|B] \wedge CNF((l_i \vee l_j) \rightarrow B) && \text{if } (l_i \vee l_j) \text{ neg.} \\ \varphi &\implies \varphi[(l_i \wedge l_j)|B] \wedge CNF(B \rightarrow (l_i \wedge l_j)) && \text{if } (l_i \wedge l_j) \text{ pos.} \\ \varphi &\implies \varphi[(l_i \wedge l_j)|B] \wedge CNF((l_i \wedge l_j) \rightarrow B) && \text{if } (l_i \wedge l_j) \text{ neg.} \\ \varphi &\implies \varphi[(l_i \leftrightarrow l_j)|B] \wedge CNF(B \rightarrow (l_i \leftrightarrow l_j)) && \text{if } (l_i \leftrightarrow l_j) \text{ pos.} \\ \varphi &\implies \varphi[(l_i \leftrightarrow l_j)|B] \wedge CNF((l_i \leftrightarrow l_j) \rightarrow B) && \text{if } (l_i \leftrightarrow l_j) \text{ neg.} \end{aligned}$$

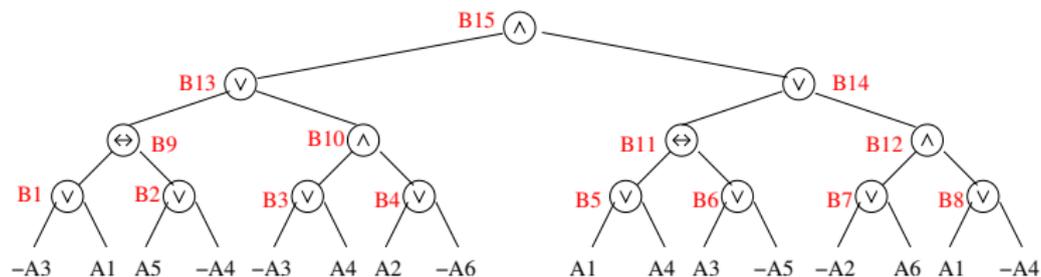
- Pro: smaller in size:

$$\begin{aligned} CNF(B \rightarrow (l_i \vee l_j)) &= (\neg B \vee l_i \vee l_j) \\ CNF(((l_i \vee l_j) \rightarrow B)) &= (\neg l_i \vee B) \wedge (\neg l_j \vee B) \end{aligned}$$

- Con: loses backward propagation:  
unlike with  $CNF(B \leftrightarrow (l_i \vee l_j))$ , with  $CNF(B \rightarrow (l_i \vee l_j))$  we can no more infer that  $B$  is true from the fact that  $l_i$  is true or  $l_j$  is true.

Labeling CNF conversion  $CNF_{label}(\varphi)$  (cont.)

$CNF(B \rightarrow (l_i \vee l_j))$	$\iff$	$(\neg B \vee l_i \vee l_j)$
$CNF(B \leftarrow (l_i \vee l_j))$	$\iff$	$(B \vee \neg l_i) \wedge$ $(B \vee \neg l_j)$
$CNF(B \rightarrow (l_i \wedge l_j))$	$\iff$	$(\neg B \vee l_i) \wedge$ $(\neg B \vee l_j)$
$CNF(B \leftarrow (l_i \wedge l_j))$	$\iff$	$(B \vee \neg l_i \neg l_j)$
$CNF(B \rightarrow (l_i \leftrightarrow l_j))$	$\iff$	$(\neg B \vee \neg l_i \vee l_j) \wedge$ $(\neg B \vee l_i \vee \neg l_j)$
$CNF(B \leftarrow (l_i \leftrightarrow l_j))$	$\iff$	$(B \vee l_i \vee l_j) \wedge$ $(B \vee \neg l_i \vee \neg l_j)$

Labeling CNF conversion  $CNF_{label}$  – example

Basic

$$CNF(B_1 \leftrightarrow (\neg A_3 \vee A_1)) \quad \wedge$$

...

$$CNF(B_8 \leftrightarrow (A_1 \vee \neg A_4)) \quad \wedge$$

$$CNF(B_9 \leftrightarrow (B_1 \leftrightarrow B_2)) \quad \wedge$$

...

$$CNF(B_{12} \leftrightarrow (B_7 \wedge B_8)) \quad \wedge$$

$$CNF(B_{13} \leftrightarrow (B_9 \vee B_{10})) \quad \wedge$$

$$CNF(B_{14} \leftrightarrow (B_{11} \vee B_{12})) \quad \wedge$$

$$CNF(B_{15} \leftrightarrow (B_{13} \wedge B_{14})) \quad \wedge$$

 $B_{15}$ 

Improved

$$CNF(B_1 \leftrightarrow (\neg A_3 \vee A_1)) \quad \wedge$$

...

$$CNF(B_8 \rightarrow (A_1 \vee \neg A_4)) \quad \wedge$$

$$CNF(B_9 \rightarrow (B_1 \leftrightarrow B_2)) \quad \wedge$$

...

$$CNF(B_{12} \rightarrow (B_7 \wedge B_8)) \quad \wedge$$

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$$CNF(B_{15} \rightarrow (B_{13} \wedge B_{14})) \quad \wedge$$

 $B_{15}$

# Labeling CNF conversion $CNF_{label}$ – further optimizations

- Do not apply  $CNF_{label}$  when not necessary:  
(e.g.,  $CNF_{label}(\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2) \implies CNF_{label}(\varphi_1) \wedge \varphi_2$ ,  
if  $\varphi_2$  already in CNF)
- Apply Demorgan's rules where it is more effective: (e.g.,  
 $CNF_{label}(\varphi_1 \wedge (A \rightarrow (B \wedge C))) \implies CNF_{label}(\varphi_1) \wedge (\neg A \vee B) \wedge (\neg A \vee C)$ )
- exploit the associativity of  $\wedge$ 's and  $\vee$ 's:  

$$\dots \underbrace{(A_1 \vee (A_2 \vee A_3))}_{B} \dots \implies \dots CNF(B \leftrightarrow (A_1 \vee A_2 \vee A_3)) \dots$$
- before applying  $CNF_{label}$ , rewrite the initial formula so that to maximize the sharing of subformulas (RBC, BED)
- ...

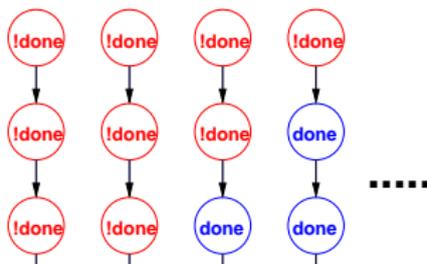
# Computation tree vs. computation paths

- Consider the following Kripke structure:

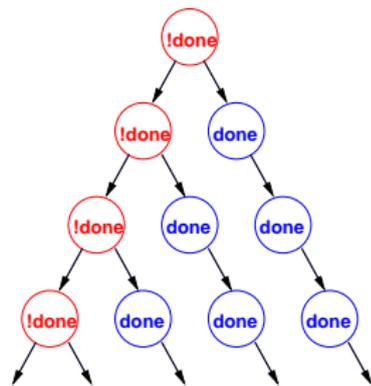


- Its execution can be seen as:

- an infinite set of computation paths



- an infinite computation tree



# Temporal Logics

- Express properties of “Reactive Systems”
  - nonterminating behaviours,
  - without explicit reference to time.
- **Linear Temporal Logic (LTL)**
  - interpreted over each path of the Kripke structure
  - linear model of time
  - temporal operators
  - “Medieval”: “since birth, one’s destiny is set”.
- **Computation Tree Logic (CTL)**
  - interpreted over computation tree of Kripke model
  - branching model of time
  - temporal operators plus path quantifiers
  - “Humanistic”: “one makes his/her own destiny step-by-step”.

# Linear Temporal Logic (LTL): Syntax

- An **atomic proposition** is a LTL formula;
- if  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are LTL formulae, then  $\neg\varphi_1$ ,  $\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2$ ,  $\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2$ ,  $\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2$ ,  $\varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2$  are LTL formulae;
- if  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are LTL formulae, then **X** $\varphi_1$ ,  $\varphi_1$ **U** $\varphi_2$ , **G** $\varphi_1$ , **F** $\varphi_1$  are LTL formulae, where **X**, **G**, **F**, **U** are the “next”, “globally”, “eventually”, “until” temporal operators respectively.
- Another operator **R** “releases” (the dual of **U**) is used sometimes.

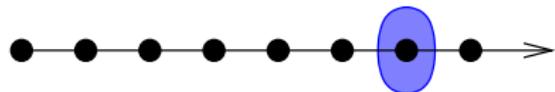
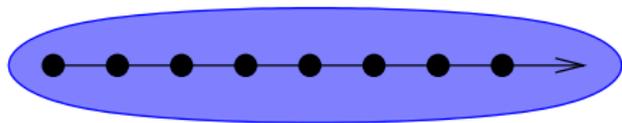
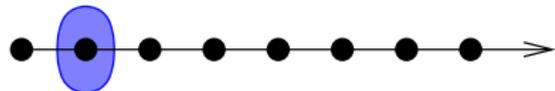
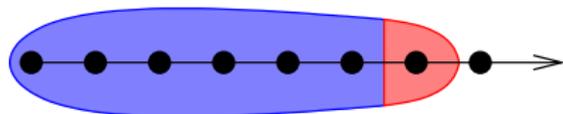
## LTL semantics: intuitions

LTL is given by the standard boolean logic enhanced with the following **temporal operators**, which operate through **paths**  $\langle s_0, s_1, \dots, s_k, \dots \rangle$ :

- **“Next” X**:  $\mathbf{X}\varphi$  is true in  $s_t$  iff  $\varphi$  is true in  $s_{t+1}$
- **“Finally”** (or “eventually”) **F**:  $\mathbf{F}\varphi$  is true in  $s_t$  iff  $\varphi$  is true in **some**  $s_{t'}$  with  $t' \geq t$
- **“Globally”** (or “henceforth”) **G**:  $\mathbf{G}\varphi$  is true in  $s_t$  iff  $\varphi$  is true in **all**  $s_{t'}$  with  $t' \geq t$
- **“Until” U**:  $\varphi\mathbf{U}\psi$  is true in  $s_t$  iff, for some state  $s_{t'}$  s.t.  $t' \geq t$ :
  - $\psi$  is true in  $s_{t'}$  **and**
  - $\varphi$  is true in all states  $s_{t''}$  s.t.  $t \leq t'' < t'$
- **“Releases” R**:  $\varphi\mathbf{R}\psi$  is true in  $s_t$  iff, for all states  $s_{t'}$  s.t.  $t' \geq t$ :
  - $\psi$  is true **or**
  - $\varphi$  is true in some states  $s_{t''}$  with  $t \leq t'' < t'$

“ $\psi$  can become false only if  $\varphi$  becomes true first”

## LTL semantics: intuitions

finally  $P$  $F P$ globally  $P$  $G P$ next  $P$  $X P$  $P$  until  $q$  $P U q$

# LTL: Some Noteworthy Examples

- **Safety:** “it never happens that a train is arriving and the bar is up”

$$\mathbf{G}(\neg(\text{train\_arriving} \wedge \text{bar\_up}))$$

- **Liveness:** “if input, then eventually output”

$$\mathbf{G}(\text{input} \rightarrow \mathbf{F}\text{output})$$

- **Releases:** “the device is not working if you don’t first repair it”

$$(\text{repair\_device} \mathbf{R} \neg\text{working\_device})$$

- **Fairness:** “infinitely often send ”

$$\mathbf{GF}\text{send}$$

- **Strong fairness:** “infinitely often send implies infinitely often recv.”

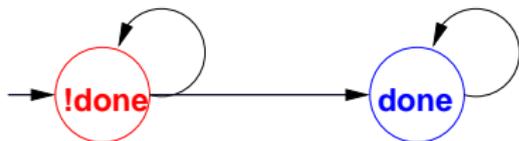
$$\mathbf{GF}\text{send} \rightarrow \mathbf{GF}\text{recv}$$

## LTL Formal Semantics

$\pi, s_i \models a$	iff	$a \in L(s_i)$	
$\pi, s_i \models \neg\varphi$	iff		$\pi, s_i \not\models \varphi$
$\pi, s_i \models \varphi \wedge \psi$	iff		$\pi, s_i \models \varphi$ <i>and</i> $\pi, s_i \models \psi$
$\pi, s_i \models \mathbf{X}\varphi$	iff		$\pi, s_{i+1} \models \varphi$
$\pi, s_i \models \mathbf{F}\varphi$	iff	<i>for some</i> $j \geq i$ :	$\pi, s_j \models \varphi$
$\pi, s_i \models \mathbf{G}\varphi$	iff	<i>for all</i> $j \geq i$ :	$\pi, s_j \models \varphi$
$\pi, s_i \models \varphi \mathbf{U} \psi$	iff	<i>for some</i> $j \geq i$ :	$(\pi, s_j \models \psi$ <i>and</i> <i>for all</i> $k$ s.t. $i \leq k < j$ : $\pi, s_k \models \varphi)$
$\pi, s_i \models \varphi \mathbf{R} \psi$	iff	<i>for all</i> $j \geq i$ :	$(\pi, s_j \models \psi$ <i>or</i> <i>for some</i> $k$ s.t. $i \leq k < j$ : $\pi, s_k \models \varphi)$

# LTL Formal Semantics (cont.)

- LTL properties are evaluated over paths, i.e., over infinite, linear sequences of states:  $\pi = s_0 \rightarrow s_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow s_t \rightarrow s_{t+1} \rightarrow \dots$
- Given an infinite sequence  $\pi = s_0, s_1, s_2, \dots$ 
  - $\pi, s_j \models \phi$  if  $\phi$  is true in state  $s_j$  of  $\pi$ .
  - $\pi \models \phi$  if  $\phi$  is true in the initial state  $s_0$  of  $\pi$ .
- The LTL model checking problem  $\mathcal{M} \models \phi$ 
  - check if  $\pi \models \phi$  for every path  $\pi$  of the Kripke structure  $\mathcal{M}$  (e.g.,  $\phi = \mathbf{F}done$ )



# The LTL model checking problem $\mathcal{M} \models \phi$ : remark

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$\pi \models \phi$  for every path  $\pi$  of the Kripke structure  $\mathcal{M}$

## Important Remark

$\mathcal{M} \not\models \phi \not\Rightarrow \mathcal{M} \models \neg\phi$  (!!)

- E.g. if  $\phi$  is a LTL formula and two paths  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$  are s.t.  $\pi_1 \models \phi$  and  $\pi_2 \models \neg\phi$ .

# Example: $\mathcal{M} \not\models \phi \not\Rightarrow \mathcal{M} \models \neg\phi$

Let  $\pi_1 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{s_1\}^\omega$ ,  $\pi_2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{s_2\}^\omega$ .

- $\mathcal{M} \not\models \mathbf{G}p$ , in fact:

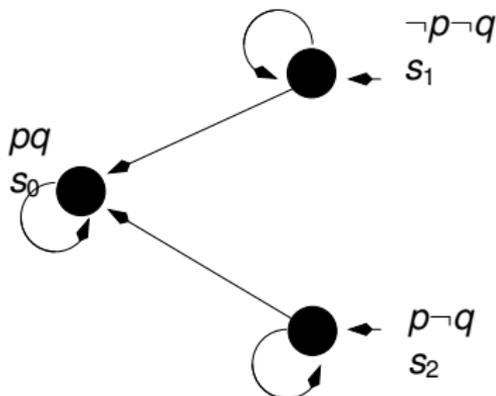
- $\pi_1 \not\models \mathbf{G}p$

- $\pi_2 \models \mathbf{G}p$

- $\mathcal{M} \not\models \neg\mathbf{G}p$ , in fact:

- $\pi_1 \models \neg\mathbf{G}p$

- $\pi_2 \not\models \neg\mathbf{G}p$



# Syntactic properties of LTL operators

$$\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2 \iff \neg(\neg\varphi_1 \wedge \neg\varphi_2)$$

...

$$\mathbf{F}\varphi_1 \iff \top \mathbf{U}\varphi_1$$

$$\mathbf{G}\varphi_1 \iff \perp \mathbf{R}\varphi_1$$

$$\mathbf{F}\varphi_1 \iff \neg \mathbf{G}\neg\varphi_1$$

$$\mathbf{G}\varphi_1 \iff \neg \mathbf{F}\neg\varphi_1$$

$$\neg \mathbf{X}\varphi_1 \iff \mathbf{X}\neg\varphi_1$$

$$\varphi_1 \mathbf{R}\varphi_2 \iff \neg(\neg\varphi_1 \mathbf{U}\neg\varphi_2)$$

$$\varphi_1 \mathbf{U}\varphi_2 \iff \neg(\neg\varphi_1 \mathbf{R}\neg\varphi_2)$$

## Note

LTL can be defined in terms of  $\wedge$ ,  $\neg$ ,  $\mathbf{X}$ ,  $\mathbf{U}$  only

## Exercise

Prove that  $\varphi_1 \mathbf{R}\varphi_2 \iff \mathbf{G}\varphi_2 \vee \varphi_2 \mathbf{U}(\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2)$

# Proof of $\varphi R \psi \Leftrightarrow (\mathbf{G}\psi \vee \psi \mathbf{U}(\varphi \wedge \psi))$

[Solution proposed by the student Samuel Valentini, 2016]

(All state indexes below are implicitly assumed to be  $\geq 0$ .)

$\Rightarrow$ : Let  $\pi$  be s.t.  $\pi, s_0 \models \varphi R \psi$

- If  $\forall j, \pi, s_j \models \psi$ , then  $\pi, s_0 \models \mathbf{G}\psi$ .
- Otherwise, let  $s_k$  be the **first** state s.t.  $\pi, s_k \not\models \psi$ .
- Since  $\pi, s_0 \models \varphi R \psi$ , then  $k > 0$  and exists  $k' < k$  s.t.  $\pi, s_{k'} \models \varphi$
- By construction,  $\pi, s_{k'} \models \varphi \wedge \psi$  and, for every  $w < k'$ ,  $\pi, s_w \models \psi$ , so that  $\pi, s_0 \models \psi \mathbf{U}(\varphi \wedge \psi)$ .
- Thus,  $\pi, s_0 \models \mathbf{G}\psi \vee \psi \mathbf{U}(\varphi \wedge \psi)$

$\Leftarrow$ : Let  $\pi$  be s.t.  $\pi, s_0 \models \mathbf{G}\psi \vee \psi \mathbf{U}(\varphi \wedge \psi)$

- If  $\pi, s_0 \models \mathbf{G}\psi$ , then  $\forall j, \pi, s_j \models \psi$ , so that  $\pi, s_0 \models \varphi R \psi$ .
- Otherwise,  $\pi, s_0 \models \psi \mathbf{U}(\varphi \wedge \psi)$ .
- Let  $s_k$  be the **first** state s.t.  $\pi, s_k \not\models \psi$ .
- by construction,  $\exists k'$  such that  $\pi, s_{k'} \models \varphi \wedge \psi$
- by the definition of  $k$ , we have that  $k' < k$  and  $\forall w < k, \pi, s_w \models \psi$ .
- Thus  $\pi, s_0 \models \varphi R \psi$

# Strength of LTL operators

- $\mathbf{G}\varphi \models \varphi \models \mathbf{F}\varphi$
- $\mathbf{G}\varphi \models \mathbf{X}\varphi \models \mathbf{F}\varphi$
- $\mathbf{G}\varphi \models \mathbf{XX}\dots\mathbf{X}\varphi \models \mathbf{F}\varphi$
- $\varphi\mathbf{U}\psi \models \mathbf{F}\psi$
- $\mathbf{G}\psi \models \varphi\mathbf{R}\psi$

## LTL tableaux rules

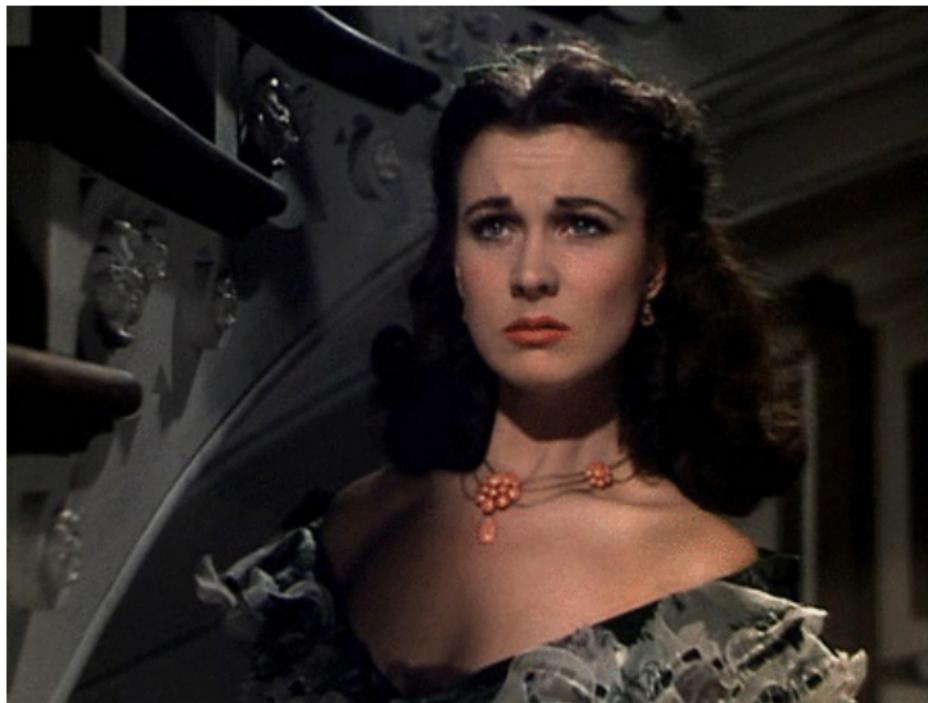
- Let  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  be LTL formulae:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{F}\varphi_1 &\iff (\varphi_1 \vee \mathbf{X}\mathbf{F}\varphi_1) \\ \mathbf{G}\varphi_1 &\iff (\varphi_1 \wedge \mathbf{X}\mathbf{G}\varphi_1) \\ \varphi_1 \mathbf{U}\varphi_2 &\iff (\varphi_2 \vee (\varphi_1 \wedge \mathbf{X}(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U}\varphi_2))) \\ \varphi_1 \mathbf{R}\varphi_2 &\iff (\varphi_2 \wedge (\varphi_1 \vee \mathbf{X}(\varphi_1 \mathbf{R}\varphi_2))) \end{aligned}$$

- If applied recursively, rewrite an LTL formula in terms of atomic and  $\mathbf{X}$ -formulas:

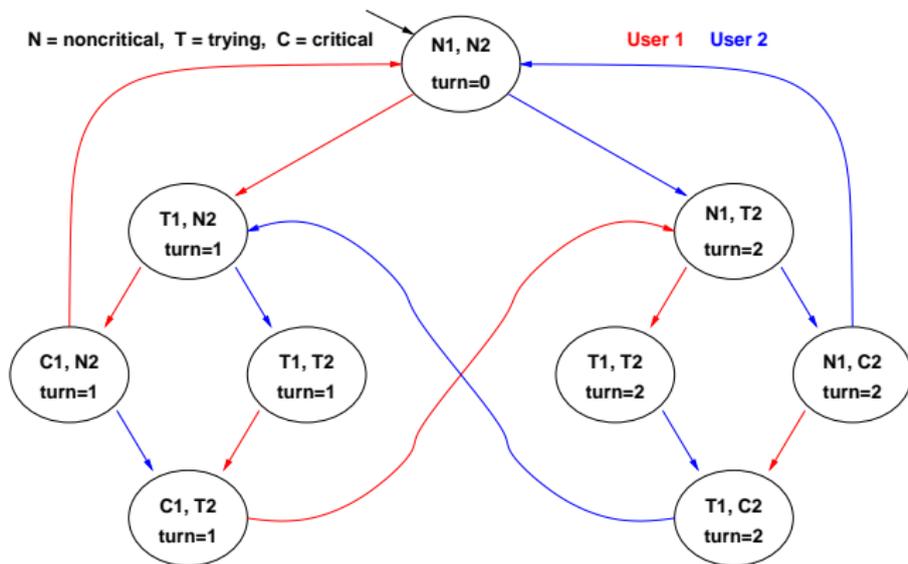
$$(p \mathbf{U} q) \wedge (\mathbf{G}\neg p) \implies (q \vee (p \wedge \mathbf{X}(p \mathbf{U} q))) \wedge (\neg p \wedge \mathbf{X}\mathbf{G}\neg p)$$

## Tableaux rules: a quote



*"After all... tomorrow is another day."  
[Scarlett O'Hara, "Gone with the Wind"]*

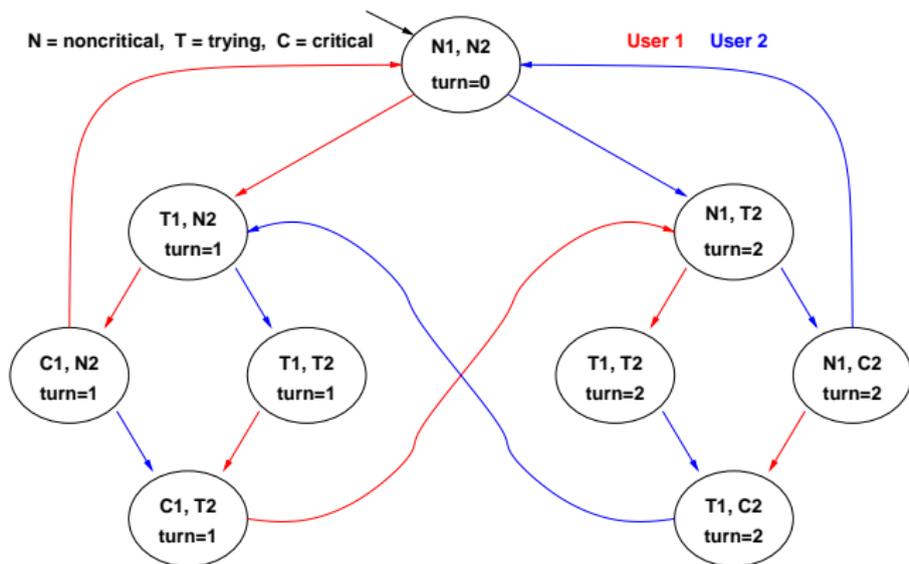
# Example 1: mutual exclusion (safety)



$$M \models \mathbf{G}\neg(C_1 \wedge C_2) ?$$

**YES:** There is no reachable state in which  $(C_1 \wedge C_2)$  holds!

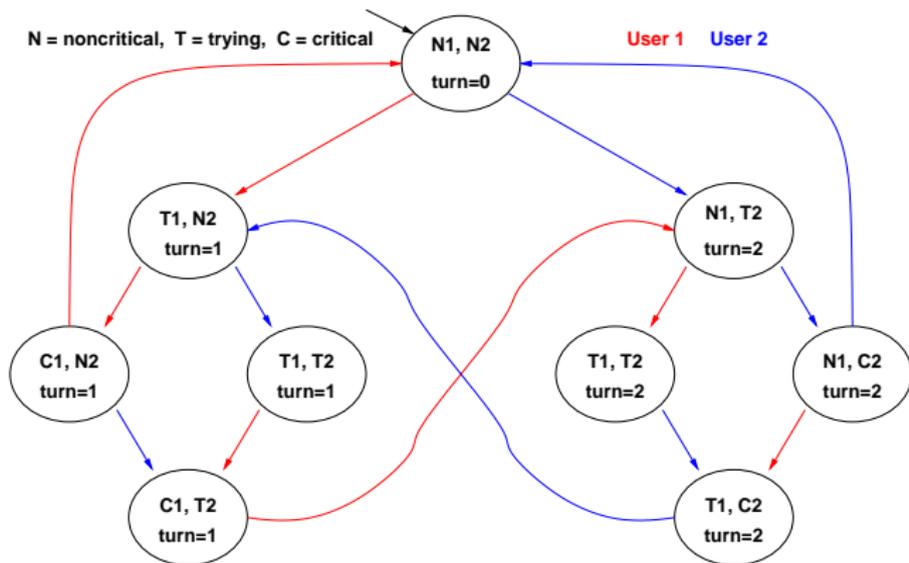
## Example 2: liveness



$$M \models FC_1 ?$$

**NO:** there is an infinite cyclic solution in which  $C_1$  never holds!

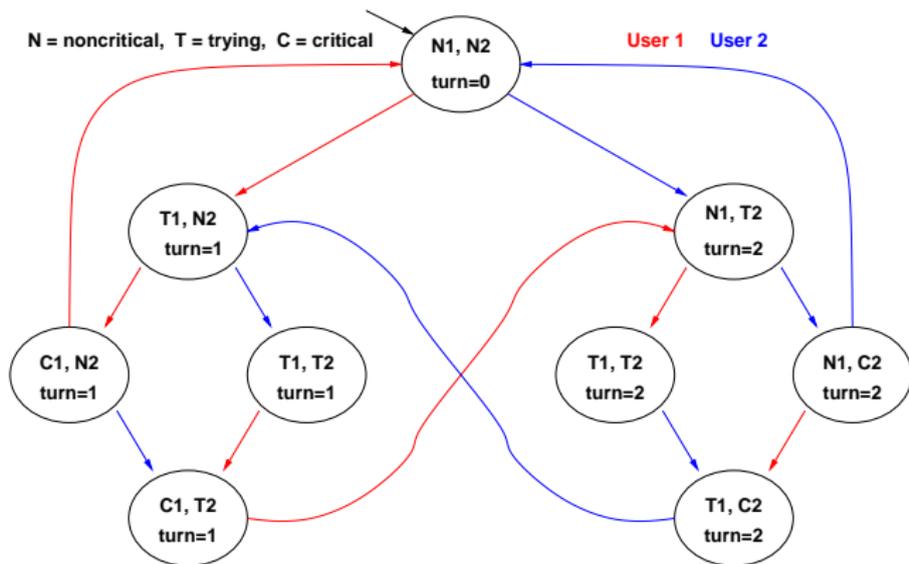
# Example 3: liveness



$$M \models \mathbf{G}(T_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{FC}_1) ?$$

YES: every path starting from each state where  $T_1$  holds passes through a state where  $C_1$  holds.

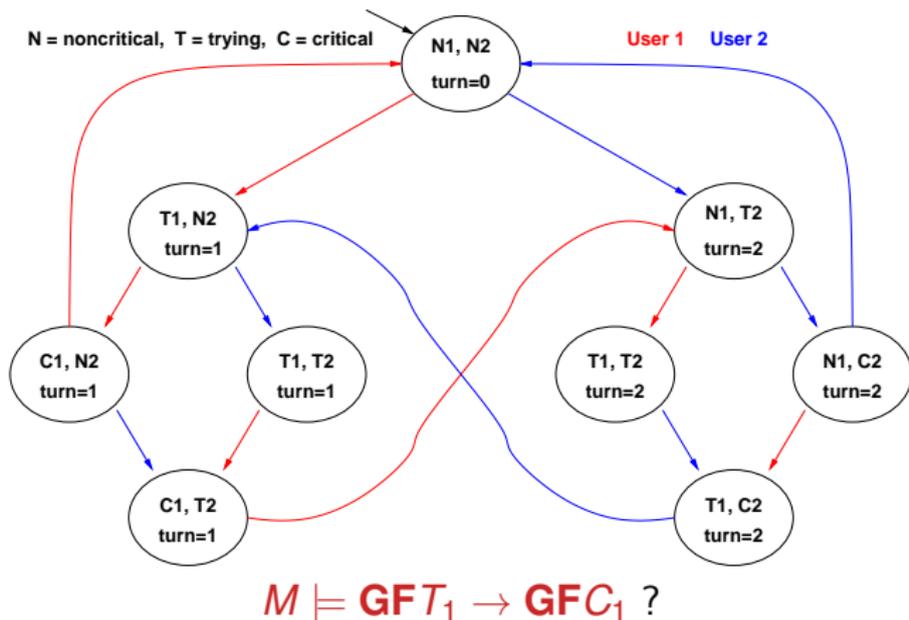
# Example 4: fairness



$M \models \mathbf{GFC}_1 ?$

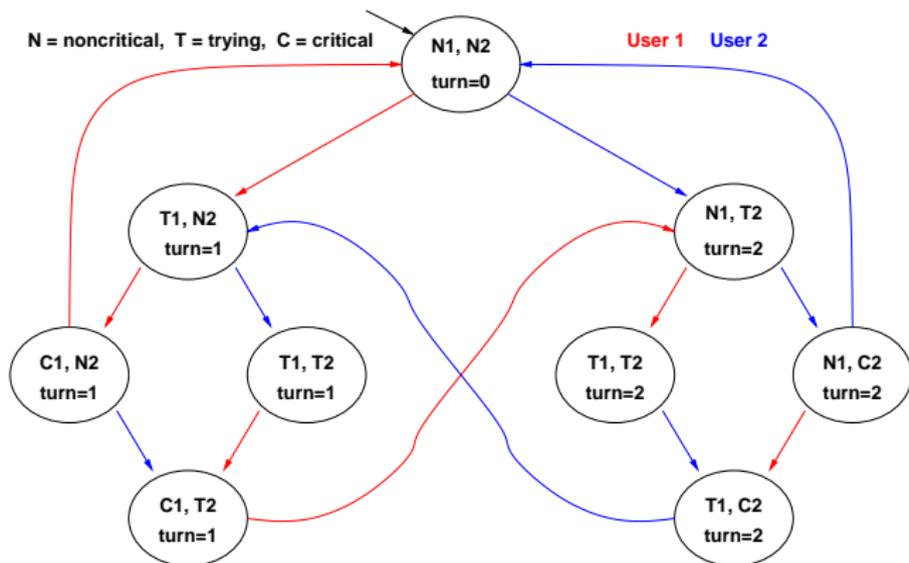
**NO:** e.g., in the initial state, there is an infinite cyclic solution in which  $C_1$  never holds!

# Example 5: strong fairness



**YES:** every path which visits  $T_1$  infinitely often also visits  $C_1$  infinitely often (see liveness property of previous example).

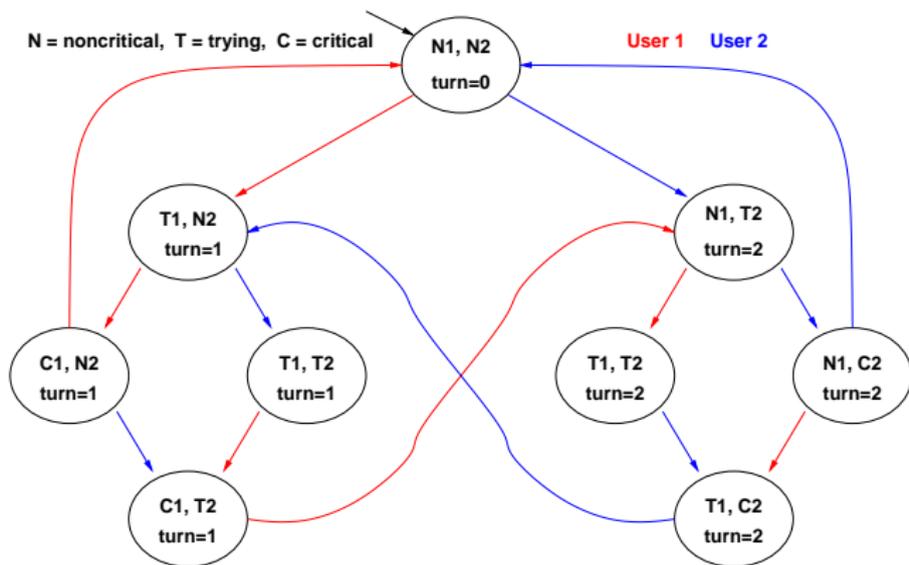
# Example 6: Releases



$$M \models T_1 R \neg C_1 ?$$

**YES:**  $C_1$  in paths only strictly after  $T_1$  has occurred.

# Example 7: **XF**



$M \models \mathbf{XF}(\text{turn} = 0) ?$

**NO:** a counter-example is the  $\infty$ -shaped loop:

$(N1, N2), \{(T1, N2), (C1, N2), (C1, T2), (N1, T2), (N1, C2), (T1, C2)\}^\omega$

# Example: $\mathbf{G}(T \rightarrow \mathbf{FC})$ vs. $\mathbf{GFT} \rightarrow \mathbf{GFC}$

- $\mathbf{G}(T \rightarrow \mathbf{FC}) \implies \mathbf{GFT} \rightarrow \mathbf{GFC} ?$
- YES: if  $M \models \mathbf{G}(T \rightarrow \mathbf{FC})$ , then  $M \models \mathbf{GFT} \rightarrow \mathbf{GFC} !$
- let  $M \models \mathbf{G}(T \rightarrow \mathbf{FC})$ .  
 let  $\pi \in M$  s.t.  $\pi \models \mathbf{GFT}$   
 $\implies \pi, s_i \models \mathbf{FT}$  for each  $s_i \in \pi$   
 $\implies \pi, s_j \models T$  for each  $s_i \in \pi$  and for some  $s_j \in \pi$  s.t.  $j \geq i$   
 $\implies \pi, s_j \models \mathbf{FC}$  for each  $s_i \in \pi$  and for some  $s_j \in \pi$  s.t.  $j \geq i$   
 $\implies \pi, s_k \models C$  for each  $s_i \in \pi$ , for some  $s_j \in \pi$  s.t.  $j \geq i$  and for some  $k \geq j$   
 $\implies \pi, s_k \models C$  for each  $s_i \in \pi$  and for some  $k \geq i$   
 $\implies \pi \models \mathbf{GFC}$   
 $\implies M \models \mathbf{GFT} \rightarrow \mathbf{GFC}$ .

# Example: $\mathbf{G}(T \rightarrow \mathbf{FC})$ vs. $\mathbf{G}T \rightarrow \mathbf{GFC}$

- $\mathbf{G}(T \rightarrow \mathbf{FC}) \iff \mathbf{G}T \rightarrow \mathbf{GFC}$  ?
- NO!.
- Counter example:



# Computational Tree Logic (CTL): Syntax

- An **atomic proposition** is a CTL formula;
- if  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are CTL formulae, then  $\neg\varphi_1$ ,  $\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2$ ,  $\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2$ ,  $\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2$ ,  $\varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2$  are CTL formulae;
- if  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are CTL formulae, then **AX** $\varphi_1$ , **A**( $\varphi_1$ **U** $\varphi_2$ ), **AG** $\varphi_1$ , **AF** $\varphi_1$ , **EX** $\varphi_1$ , **E**( $\varphi_1$ **U** $\varphi_2$ ), **EG** $\varphi_1$ , **EF** $\varphi_1$ , are CTL formulae. (**E**( $\varphi_1$ **R** $\varphi_2$ ) and **A**( $\varphi_1$ **R** $\varphi_2$ ) never used in practice.)

# CTL semantics: intuitions

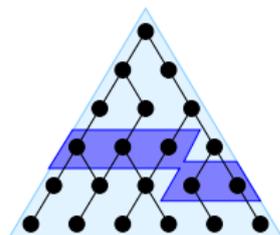
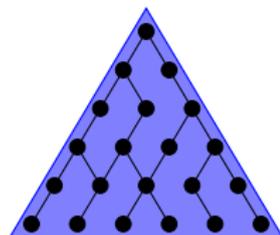
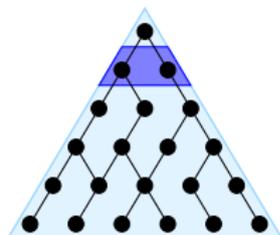
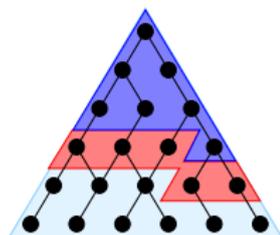
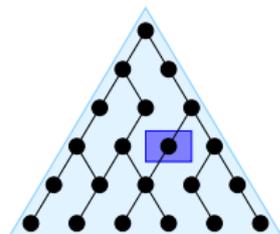
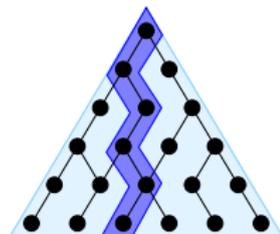
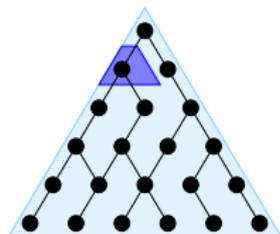
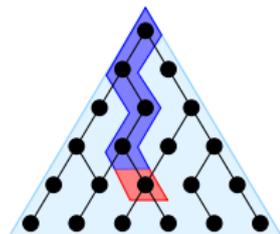
CTL is given by the standard boolean logic enhanced with the operators **AX**, **AG**, **AF**, **AU**, **EX**, **EG**, **EF**, **EU**:

- “Necessarily Next” **AX**: **AX** $\varphi$  is true in  $s_t$  iff  $\varphi$  is true in every successor state  $s_{t+1}$
- “Possibly Next” **EX**: **EX** $\varphi$  is true in  $s_t$  iff  $\varphi$  is true in one successor state  $s_{t+1}$
- “Necessarily in the future” (or “Inevitably”) **AF**: **AF** $\varphi$  is true in  $s_t$  iff  $\varphi$  is inevitably true in **some**  $s_{t'}$  with  $t' \geq t$
- “Possibly in the future” (or “Possibly”) **EF**: **EF** $\varphi$  is true in  $s_t$  iff  $\varphi$  may be true in **some**  $s_{t'}$  with  $t' \geq t$

# CTL semantics: intuitions [cont.]

- “Globally” (or “always”) **AG**: **AG** $\varphi$  is true in  $s_t$  iff  $\varphi$  is true in **all**  $s_{t'}$  with  $t' \geq t$
- “Possibly henceforth” **EG**: **EG** $\varphi$  is true in  $s_t$  iff  $\varphi$  is possibly true henceforth
- “Necessarily Until” **AU**: **A**( $\varphi$ **U** $\psi$ ) is true in  $s_t$  iff necessarily  $\varphi$  holds until  $\psi$  holds.
- “Possibly Until” **EU**: **E**( $\varphi$ **U** $\psi$ ) is true in  $s_t$  iff possibly  $\varphi$  holds until  $\psi$  holds.

## CTL semantics: intuitions [cont.]

finally  $P$  $AF P$ globally  $P$  $AG P$ next  $P$  $AX P$  $P$  until  $q$  $A[ P U q ]$  $EF P$  $EG P$  $EX P$  $E[ P U q ]$ 

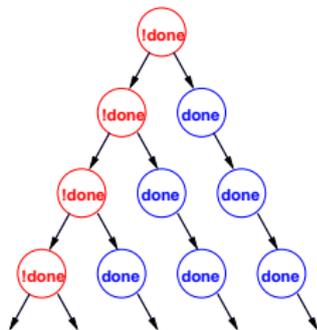
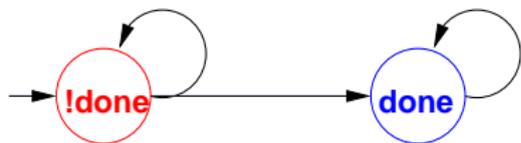
# CTL Formal Semantics

Let  $(s_i, s_{i+1}, \dots)$  be a path outgoing from state  $s_i$  in  $M$

$M, s_i \models a$	iff	$a \in L(s_i)$	
$M, s_i \models \neg\varphi$	iff	$M, s_i \not\models \varphi$	
$M, s_i \models \varphi \vee \psi$	iff	$M, s_i \models \varphi$ or $M, s_i \models \psi$	
$M, s_i \models AX\varphi$	iff	for all $(s_i, s_{i+1}, \dots)$ ,	$M, s_{i+1} \models \varphi$
$M, s_i \models EX\varphi$	iff	for some $(s_i, s_{i+1}, \dots)$ ,	$M, s_{i+1} \models \varphi$
$M, s_i \models AG\varphi$	iff	for all $(s_i, s_{i+1}, \dots)$ ,	for all $j \geq i. M, s_j \models \varphi$
$M, s_i \models EG\varphi$	iff	for some $(s_i, s_{i+1}, \dots)$ ,	for all $j \geq i. M, s_j \models \varphi$
$M, s_i \models AF\varphi$	iff	for all $(s_i, s_{i+1}, \dots)$ ,	for some $j \geq i. M, s_j \models \varphi$
$M, s_i \models EF\varphi$	iff	for some $(s_i, s_{i+1}, \dots)$ ,	for some $j \geq i. M, s_j \models \varphi$
$M, s_i \models A(\varphi U\psi)$	iff	for all $(s_i, s_{i+1}, \dots)$ ,	for some $j \geq i.$ $(M, s_j \models \psi$ and for all $k$ s.t. $i \leq k < j. M, s_k \models \varphi)$
$M, s_i \models E(\varphi U\psi)$	iff	for some $(s_i, s_{i+1}, \dots)$ ,	for some $j \geq i.$ $(M, s_j \models \psi$ and for all $k$ s.t. $i \leq k < j. M, s_k \models \varphi)$

# Formal Semantics (cont.)

- CTL properties (e.g. **AF***done*) are evaluated over trees.



- Every temporal operator (**F**, **G**, **X**, **U**) is preceded by a **path** quantifier (**A** or **E**).
- Universal modalities (AF, AG, AX, AU)**: the temporal formula is true in **all** the paths starting in the current state.
- Existential modalities (EF, EG, EX, EU)**: the temporal formula is true in **some** path starting in the current state.

# The CTL model checking problem $\mathcal{M} \models \phi$

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$\mathcal{M}, s \models \phi$  for every initial state  $s \in I$  of the Kripke structure

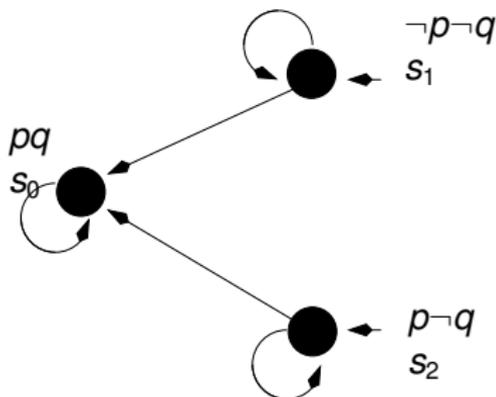
## Important Remark

$\mathcal{M} \not\models \phi \not\Rightarrow \mathcal{M} \models \neg\phi$  (!!)

- E.g. if  $\phi$  is a universal formula **A**... and two initial states  $s_0, s_1$  are s.t.  $\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \phi$  and  $\mathcal{M}, s_1 \not\models \phi$
- $\mathcal{M} \not\models \phi \Rightarrow \mathcal{M} \models \neg\phi$  if  $\mathcal{M}$  has only one initial state

# Example: $\mathcal{M} \not\models \phi \not\Rightarrow \mathcal{M} \models \neg\phi$

- $\mathcal{M} \not\models \mathbf{AG}p$ , in fact:
  - $\mathcal{M}, s_1 \not\models \mathbf{AG}p$   
(e.g.,  $\{s_1, \dots\}$  is a counter-example)
  - $\mathcal{M}, s_2 \models \mathbf{AG}p$
- $\mathcal{M} \not\models \neg\mathbf{AG}p$ , in fact:
  - $\mathcal{M}, s_1 \models \neg\mathbf{AG}p$   
(i.e.,  $\mathcal{M}, s_1 \models \mathbf{EF}\neg p$ )
  - $\mathcal{M}, s_2 \not\models \neg\mathbf{AG}p$   
(i.e.,  $\mathcal{M}, s_2 \not\models \mathbf{EF}\neg p$ )



# Syntactic properties of CTL operators

$$\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2 \iff \neg(\neg\varphi_1 \wedge \neg\varphi_2)$$

...

$$\mathbf{A}(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2) \iff \neg \mathbf{E}(\neg\varphi_2 \mathbf{U} (\neg\varphi_1 \wedge \neg\varphi_2)) \wedge \neg \mathbf{EG} \neg\varphi_2$$

$$\mathbf{EF} \varphi_1 \iff \mathbf{E}(\top \mathbf{U} \varphi_1)$$

$$\mathbf{AG} \varphi_1 \iff \neg \mathbf{EF} \neg\varphi_1$$

$$\mathbf{AF} \varphi_1 \iff \neg \mathbf{EG} \neg\varphi_1$$

$$\mathbf{AX} \varphi_1 \iff \neg \mathbf{EX} \neg\varphi_1$$

## Note

CTL can be defined in terms of  $\wedge$ ,  $\neg$ , **EX**, **EG**, **EU** only

## Exercise:

prove that  $\mathbf{A}(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2) \iff \neg \mathbf{EG} \neg\varphi_2 \wedge \neg \mathbf{E}(\neg\varphi_2 \mathbf{U} (\neg\varphi_1 \wedge \neg\varphi_2))$

# Strength of CTL operators

- $\mathbf{A[OP]}\varphi \models \mathbf{E[OP]}\varphi$ , s.t.  $[\mathbf{OP}] \in \{\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{G}, \mathbf{U}\}$
- $\mathbf{AG}\varphi \models \varphi \models \mathbf{AF}\varphi$ ,  $\mathbf{EG}\varphi \models \varphi \models \mathbf{EF}\varphi$
- $\mathbf{AG}\varphi \models \mathbf{AX}\varphi \models \mathbf{AF}\varphi$ ,  $\mathbf{EG}\varphi \models \mathbf{EX}\varphi \models \mathbf{EF}\varphi$
- $\mathbf{AG}\varphi \models \mathbf{AX}\dots\mathbf{AX}\varphi \models \mathbf{AF}\varphi$ ,  $\mathbf{EG}\varphi \models \mathbf{EX}\dots\mathbf{EX}\varphi \models \mathbf{EF}\varphi$
- $\mathbf{A}(\varphi\mathbf{U}\psi) \models \mathbf{AF}\psi$ ,  $\mathbf{E}(\varphi\mathbf{U}\psi) \models \mathbf{EF}\psi$

# CTL tableaux rules

- Let  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  be CTL formulae:

$$\mathbf{AF}\varphi_1 \iff (\varphi_1 \vee \mathbf{AXAF}\varphi_1)$$

$$\mathbf{AG}\varphi_1 \iff (\varphi_1 \wedge \mathbf{AXAG}\varphi_1)$$

$$\mathbf{A}(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U}\varphi_2) \iff (\varphi_2 \vee (\varphi_1 \wedge \mathbf{AXA}(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U}\varphi_2)))$$

$$\mathbf{EF}\varphi_1 \iff (\varphi_1 \vee \mathbf{EXEF}\varphi_1)$$

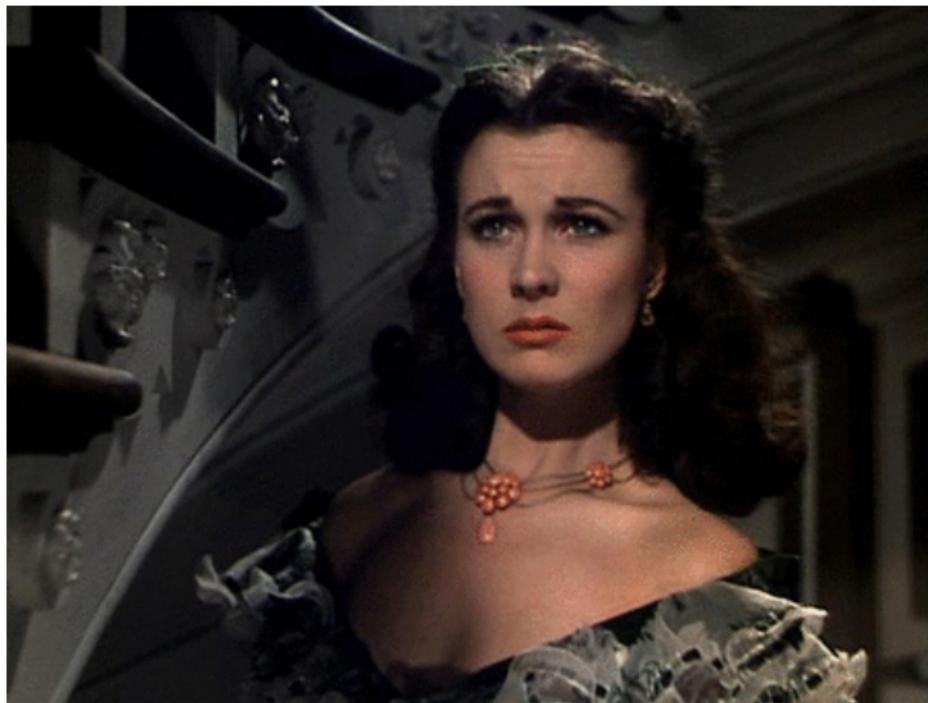
$$\mathbf{EG}\varphi_1 \iff (\varphi_1 \wedge \mathbf{EXEG}\varphi_1)$$

$$\mathbf{E}(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U}\varphi_2) \iff (\varphi_2 \vee (\varphi_1 \wedge \mathbf{EXE}(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U}\varphi_2)))$$

- Recursive definitions of **AF**, **AG**, **AU**, **EF**, **EG**, **EU**.
- If applied recursively, rewrite a CTL formula in terms of atomic, **AX**- and **EX**-formulas:

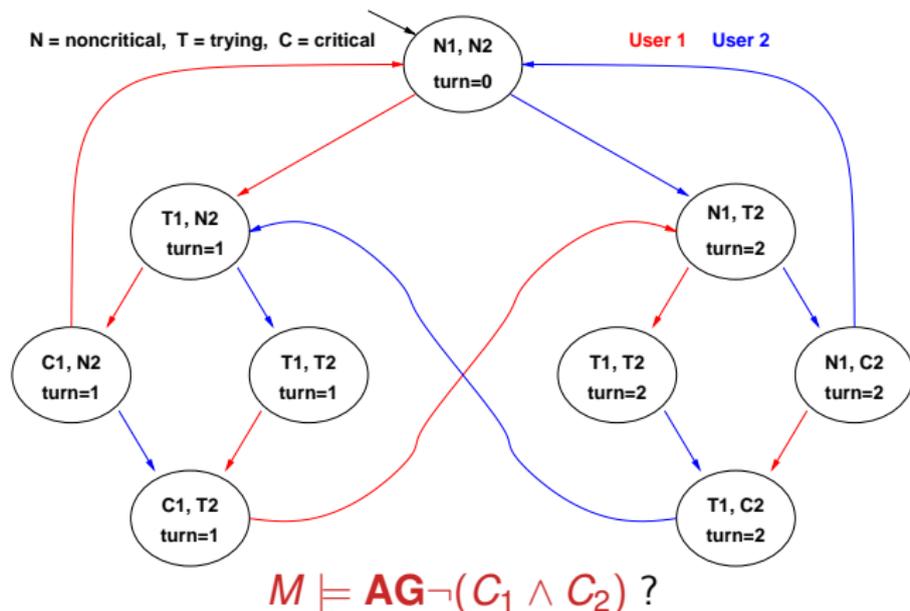
$$\mathbf{A}(p\mathbf{U}q) \wedge (\mathbf{EG}\neg p) \implies (q \vee (p \wedge \mathbf{AXA}(p\mathbf{U}q))) \wedge (\neg p \wedge \mathbf{EXEG}\neg p)$$

## Tableaux rules: a quote



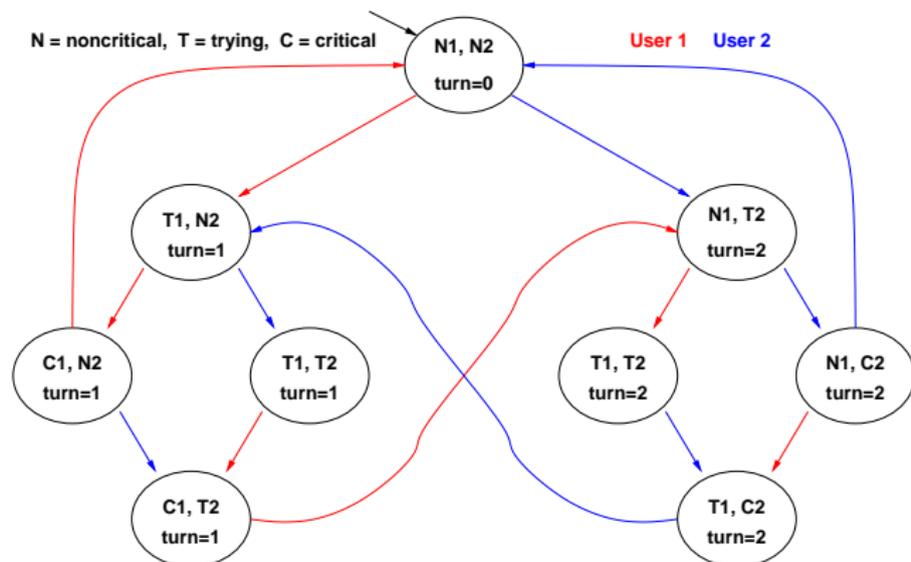
*"After all... tomorrow is another day."  
[Scarlett O'Hara, "Gone with the Wind"]*

# Example 1: mutual exclusion (safety)



**YES:** There is no reachable state in which  $(C_1 \wedge C_2)$  holds!  
 (Same as the  $\mathbf{G}\neg(C_1 \wedge C_2)$  in LTL.)

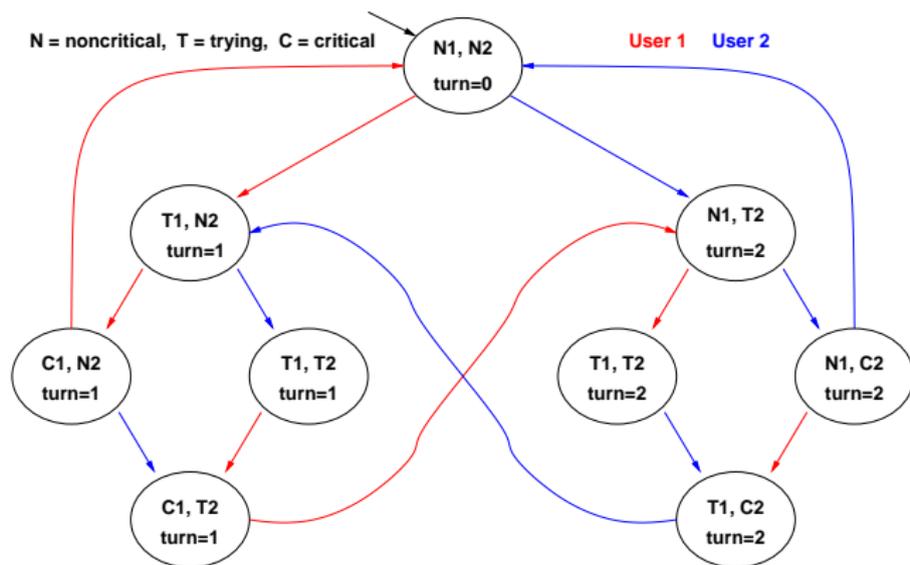
## Example 2: liveness



$$M \models \mathbf{AG}(T_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{AF} C_1) ?$$

**YES:** every path starting from each state where  $T_1$  holds passes through a state where  $C_1$  holds  
(Same as  $\mathbf{G}(T_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{FC}_1)$  in LTL.)

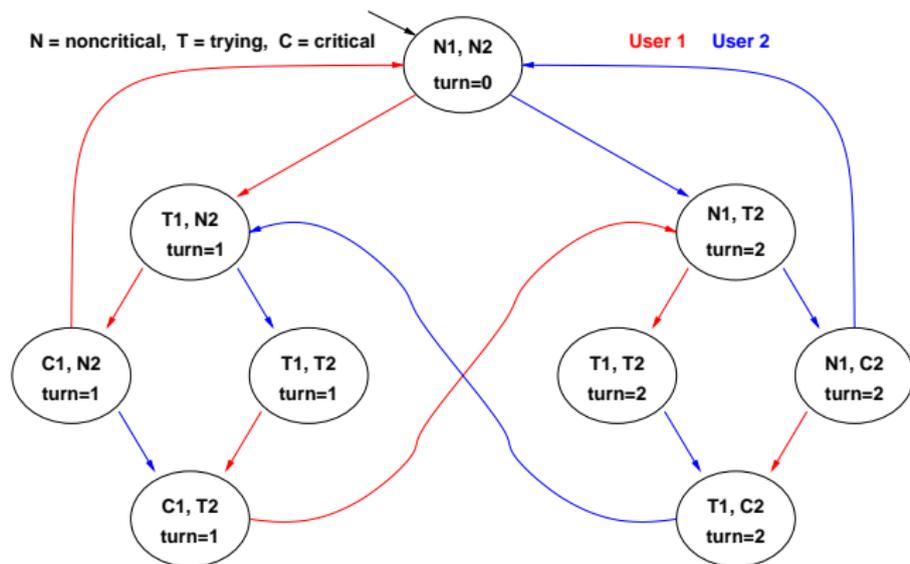
# Example 3: fairness



$M \models \mathbf{AGAF}C_1 ?$

**NO:** e.g., in the initial state, there is an infinite cyclic solution in which  $C_1$  never holds! (Same as  $\mathbf{GFC}_1$  in LTL.)

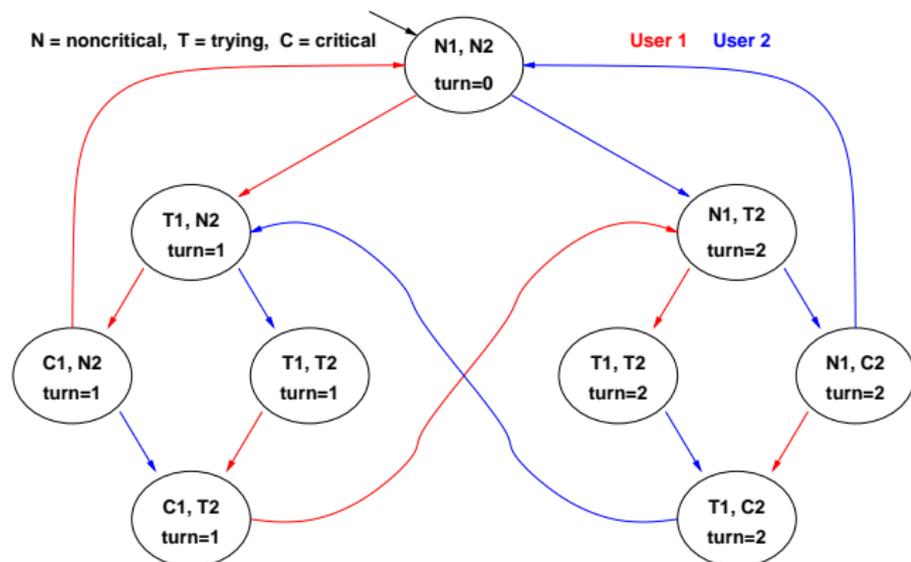
## Example 3: fairness (2)



$$M \models \mathbf{AGAF}(\text{turn} = 0) ?$$

**NO:** there is an infinite 8-shaped cyclic solution in which ( $\text{turn} = 0$ ) never holds!

# Example 4: blocking

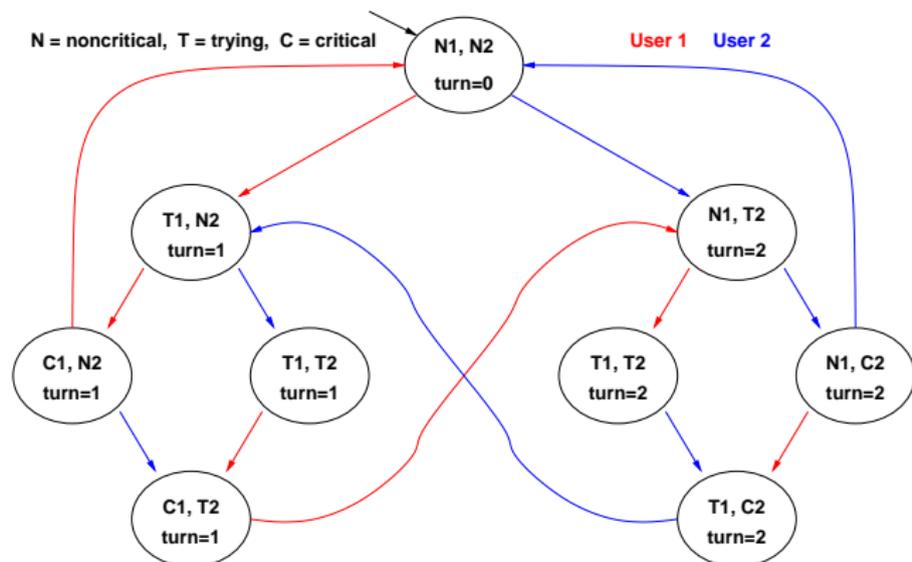


$$M \models \mathbf{AG}(N_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{EF} T_1) ?$$

**YES:** from each state where  $N_1$  holds there is a path leading to a state where  $T_1$  holds

(No corresponding LTL formula.)

## Example 5: blocking (2)

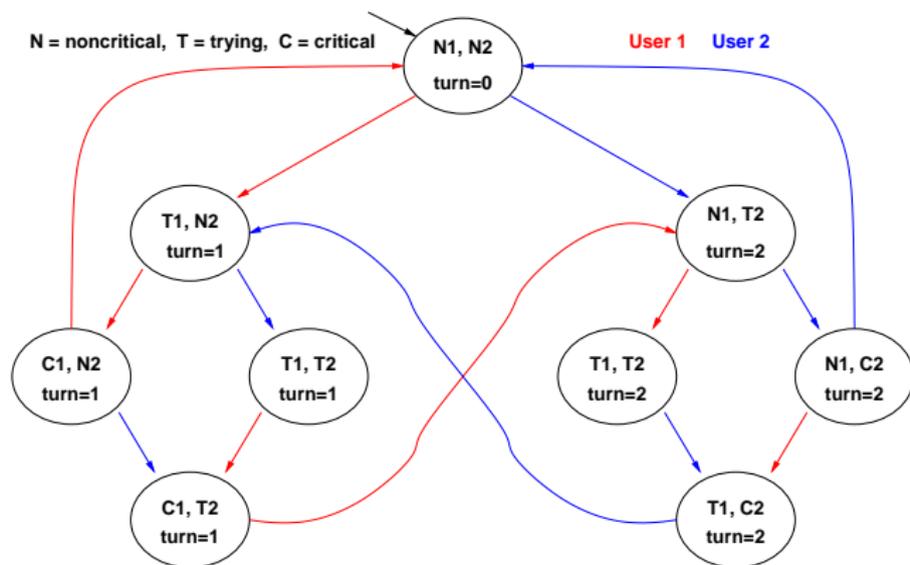


$$M \models \mathbf{AG}(N_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{AF} T_1) ?$$

**NO:** e.g., in the initial state, there is an infinite cyclic solution in which  $N_1$  holds and  $T_1$  never holds!

(Same as LTL formula  $\mathbf{G}(N_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{F}T_1)$ .)

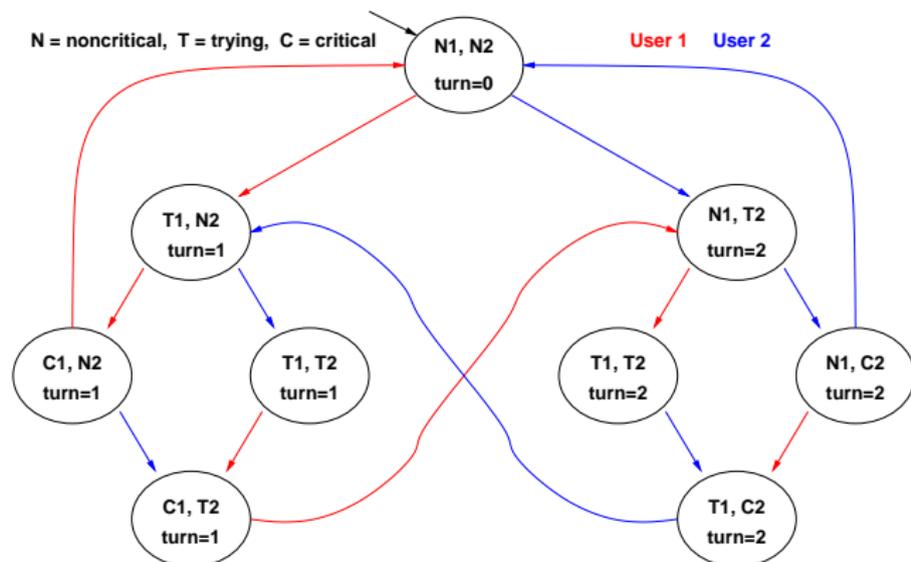
## Example 6:



$$M \models \mathbf{EG}N_1 ?$$

**YES:** there is an infinite cyclic solution where  $N_1$  always holds  
(No corresponding LTL formula.)

# Example 7:

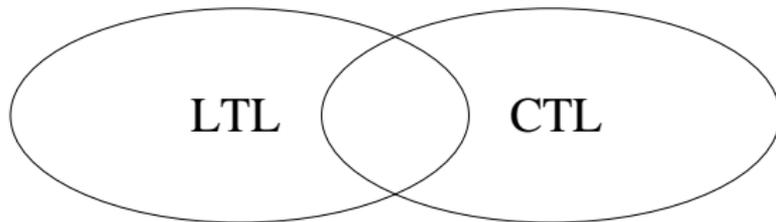


$$M \models \mathbf{AFEG}N_1 ?$$

**YES:** there is an infinite cyclic solution where  $N_1$  always holds, and from every state you necessarily reach one state of such cycle (No corresponding LTL formula.)

# LTL vs. CTL: expressiveness

- many CTL formulas cannot be expressed in LTL (e.g., those containing existentially quantified subformulas)  
E.g.,  $\mathbf{AG}(N_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{EFT}_1)$ ,  $\mathbf{AFAG}\varphi$
- many LTL formulas cannot be expressed in CTL (e.g. fairness LTL formulas)  
E.g.,  $\mathbf{GFT}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{GFC}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{FG}\varphi$
- some formulas can be expressed both in LTL and in CTL (typically LTL formulas with operators of nesting depth 1, and/or with operators occurring positively)  
E.g.,  $\mathbf{G}\neg(C_1 \wedge C_2)$ ,  $\mathbf{FC}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{G}(T_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{FC}_1)$ ,  $\mathbf{GFC}_1$



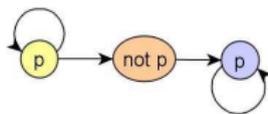
# Example: $AFAGp$ vs. $FGp$

(Example developed by the students Andrea Mattioli and Mirko Boniatti, 2005.)

$AFAGp \neq FGp$

Example:

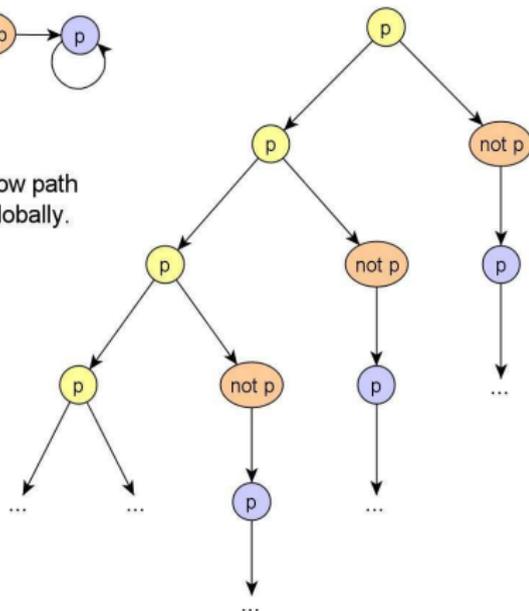
Kripke model  $\dashrightarrow$  Infinite tree



$AFAGp = \text{false}$

There is no state in the yellow path from which finally  $p$  holds globally.

$FGp = \text{true}$



# LTL vs. CTL: M.C. Algorithms

- LTL M.C. problems are typically handled with **automata-based M.C.** approaches (Wolper & Vardi)
- CTL M.C. problems are typically handled with **symbolic M.C.** approaches (Clarke & McMillan)
- LTL M.C. problems can be reduced to CTL M.C. problems under **fairness constraints** (Clarke et al.)

## CTL\*

- Syntax: let  $p$ 's,  $\varphi$ 's,  $\psi$ 's being propositions, state formulae and path formulae respectively:
  - $p, \neg\varphi, \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2, \mathbf{A}\psi, \mathbf{E}\psi$  are **state formulae**  
(properties of the set of paths starting from a state)
  - $\varphi, \neg\psi, \psi_1 \wedge \psi_2, \mathbf{X}\psi, \mathbf{G}\psi, \mathbf{F}\psi, \psi_1 \mathbf{U}\psi_2$  are **path formulae**  
(properties of a path)
- Semantics: **A, E, X, G, F, U** as in CTL
  - **A, E**: quantify on paths (as in CTL)
  - **X, G, F, U**: (as in LTL)
  - as in CTL, but **X, G, F, U** not necessarily preceded by **A, E**

## Remark

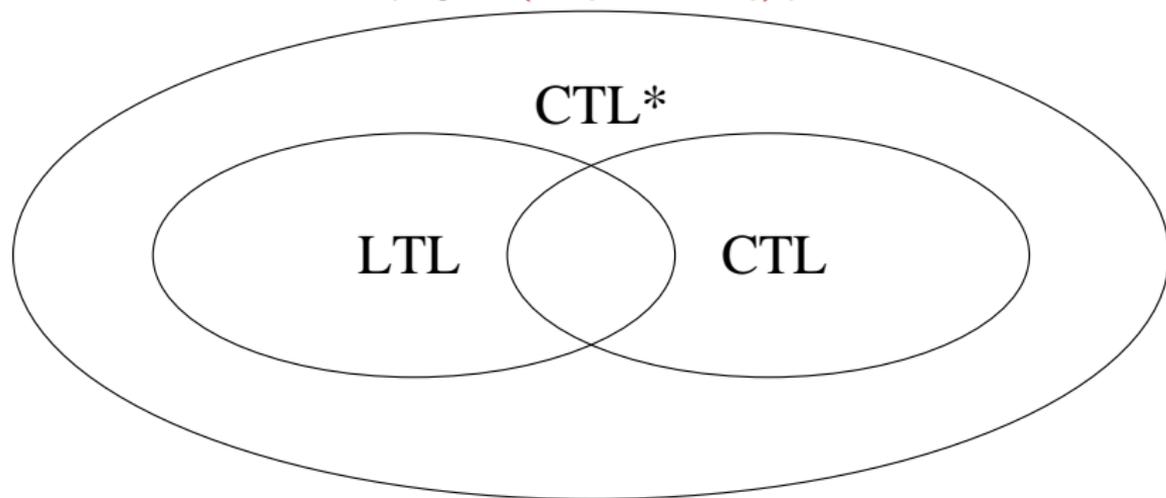
In principle in CTL\* one may have sequences of nested path quantifiers. In such case, the most internal one dominates:

$$M, s \models \mathbf{AE}\psi \text{ iff } M, s \models \mathbf{E}\psi, \quad M, s \models \mathbf{EA}\psi \text{ iff } M, s \models \mathbf{A}\psi.$$

# CTL\* vs LTL & CTL

CTL\* subsumes both CTL and LTL

- $\varphi$  in CTL  $\implies \varphi$  in CTL\* (e.g., **AG**( $N_1 \rightarrow$  **EFT** $_1$ ))
- $\varphi$  in LTL  $\implies \mathbf{A}\varphi$  in CTL\* (e.g., **A**(**GF** $T_1 \rightarrow$  **GFC** $_1$ ))
- $\text{LTL} \cup \text{CTL} \subset \text{CTL}^*$  (e.g., **E**(**GF** $p \rightarrow$  **GF** $q$ ))



“You have no respect for logic. (...)

I have no respect for those who have no respect for logic.”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uGstM8QMCjQ>



(Arnold Schwarzenegger in “Twins”)

## The need for fairness conditions: intuition

Consider a public restroom. A standard access policy is “first come first served” (e.g., a queue-based protocol).

- Does this policy guarantee that everybody entering the queue will eventually access the restroom?
  - **No**: in principle, somebody might remain in the restroom forever, hindering the access to everybody else
  - in practice, it is considered reasonable to assume that everybody exits the restroom after a finite amount of time

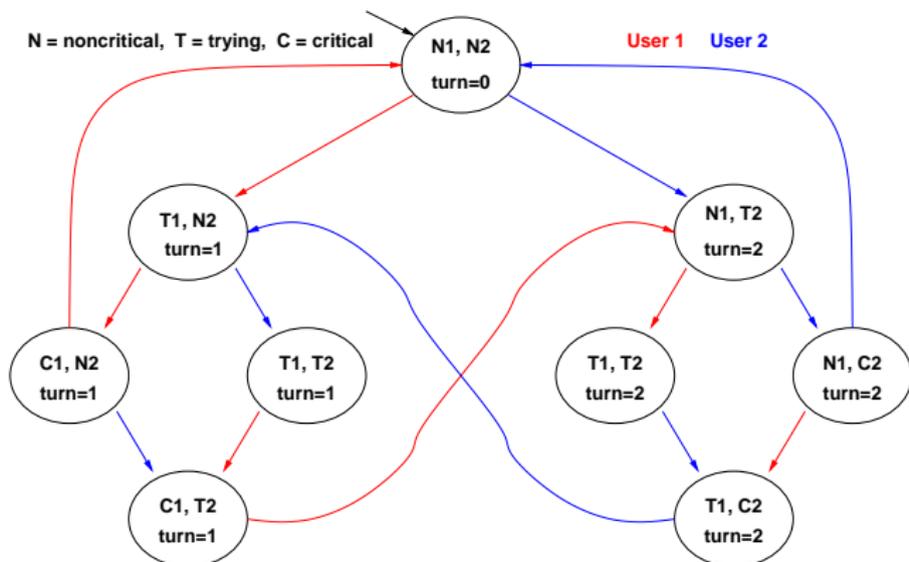
⇒ it is reasonable enough to assume the protocol suitable under the condition that each user is **infinitely often** outside the restroom

- such a condition is called **fairness condition**

# The need for fairness conditions: an example

- Consider a variant of the mutual exclusion in which one process can stay permanently in the critical zone
- Do  $M \models \mathbf{AG}(T_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{AFC}_1)$ ,  $M \models \mathbf{AG}(T_2 \rightarrow \mathbf{AFC}_2)$  still hold?

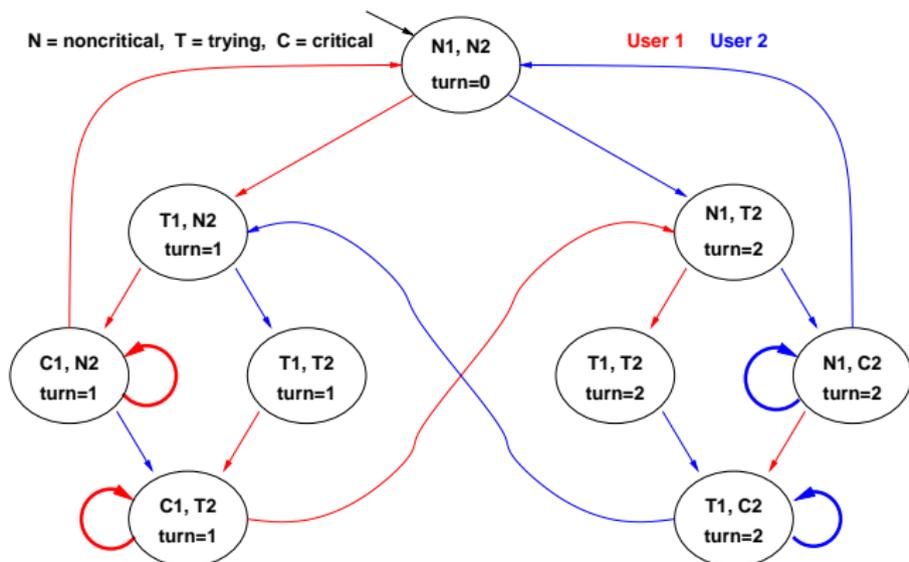
## The need for fairness conditions: an example [cont.]



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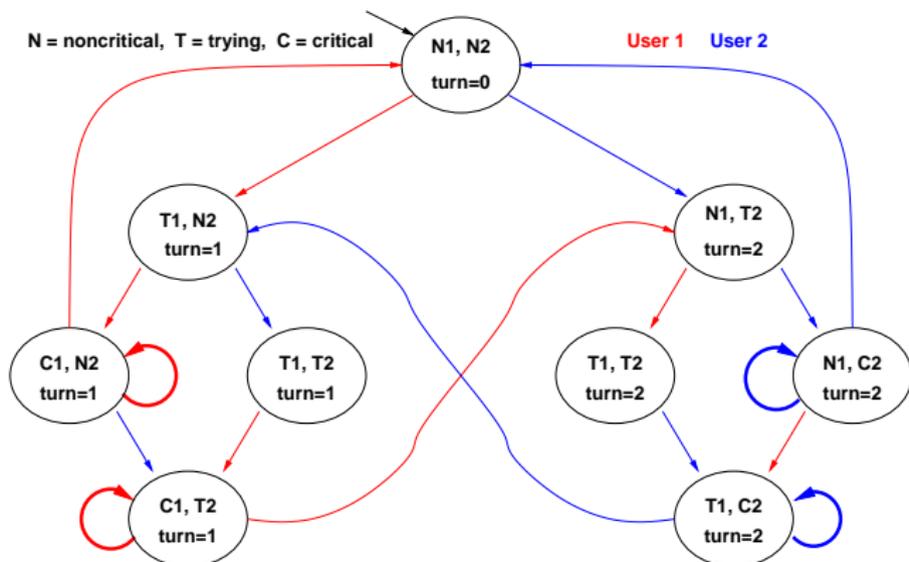
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$$M \models \mathbf{AG}(T_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{AFC}_1)?$$

$$M \models \mathbf{AG}(T_2 \rightarrow \mathbf{AFC}_2)?$$

## The need for fairness conditions: an example [cont.]



**AG**( $T_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{AFC}_1$ )?

**AG**( $T_2 \rightarrow \mathbf{AFC}_2$ )?

**NO:** E.g., it can cycle forever in  $\{C_1, T_2, \text{turn} = 1\}$

$\Rightarrow$  **Unfair** protocol: one process might never be served

# Fairness conditions

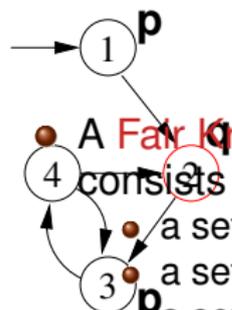
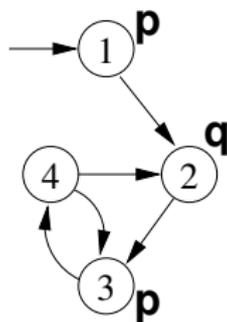
- It is desirable that certain (typically Boolean) conditions  $\varphi$ 's **hold infinitely often**: **AGAF** $\varphi$  (**GF** $\varphi$  in LTL)
- **AGAF** $\varphi$  (**GF** $\varphi$ ) is called **fairness conditions**
- Intuitively, fairness conditions are used to eliminate behaviours in which a certain condition  $\varphi$  never holds:

$$\neg\mathbf{EFEG}\neg\varphi$$

(“it is never reached a state from which  $\varphi$  is forever false”)

- Example: **it is not desirable that, once a process is in the critical section, it never exits**: **AGAF** $\neg C_1$  ( $\neg\mathbf{EFEG}C_1$ )
- A fair condition  $\varphi_i$  can be represented also by the set  $f_i$  of states where  $\varphi_i$  holds ( $f_i := \{s : M, s \models \varphi_i\}$ )

## Fair Kripke models



• A Fair Kripke model  $M_F := \langle S, R, I, AP, L, F \rangle$  consists of

- a set of states  $S$ ;
- a set of initial states  $I \subseteq S$ ;
- a set of transitions  $R \subseteq S \times S$ ;
- a set of atomic propositions  $AP$ ;
- a labeling  $L \subseteq S \times AP$ ;

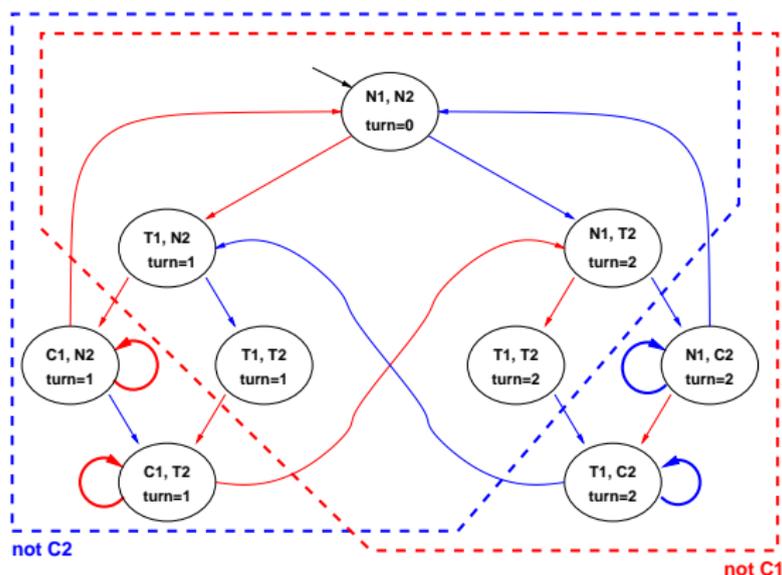
• a set of fairness conditions  $F = \{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$  with  $f_i \subseteq S$

# CTL M.C. with Fair Kripke Models

Fair Kripke Models restrict the M.C. process to fair paths:

- Path quantifiers apply only to fair paths:
  - $M_F, s \models \mathbf{A}\varphi$  iff  $\pi, s \models \varphi$  for every **fair** path  $\pi$  s.t.  $s \in \pi$
  - $M_F, s \models \mathbf{E}\varphi$  iff  $\pi, s \models \varphi$  for some **fair** path  $\pi$  s.t.  $s \in \pi$
- **Fair state**: a state from which at least one fair path originates, that is, a state  $s$  is a fair state in  $M_F$  iff  $M_F, s \models \mathbf{EG}true$ .

# Fairness: example

$$F := \{\{\text{not } C1\}, \{\text{not } C2\}\}$$


$M_F \models \mathbf{AG}(T_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{AFC}_1)?$        $M_F \models \mathbf{AG}(T_2 \rightarrow \mathbf{AFC}_2)?$   
**YES:** every fair path satisfies the conditions

# CTL M.C. vs. LTL M.C. with Fair Kripke Models

## Remark: fair CTL M.C.

When model checking a **CTL** formula  $\psi$ , fairness conditions **cannot** be encoded into the formula itself:

$$M_{\{f_1, \dots, f_n\}} \models \psi \not\iff M \models \left( \bigwedge_{i=1}^n \mathbf{AGAF} f_i \right) \rightarrow \psi.$$

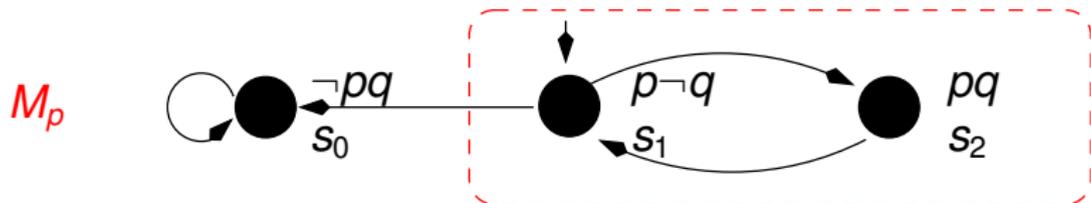
## Remark: fair LTL M.C.

When model checking an **LTL** formula  $\psi$ , fairness conditions can be encoded into the formula itself:

$$M_{\{f_1, \dots, f_n\}} \models \psi \iff M \models \left( \bigwedge_{i=1}^n \mathbf{GF} f_i \right) \rightarrow \psi.$$

Ex. CTL:  $M_{\{f_1, \dots, f_n\}} \models \psi \iff M \models (\bigwedge_{i=1}^n \mathbf{AGAF} f_i) \rightarrow \psi$ .

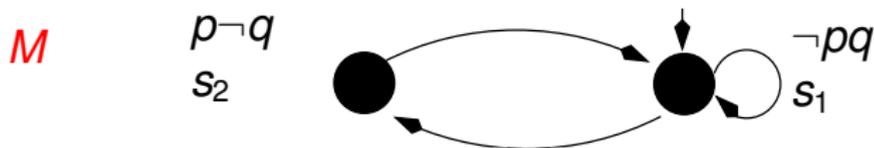
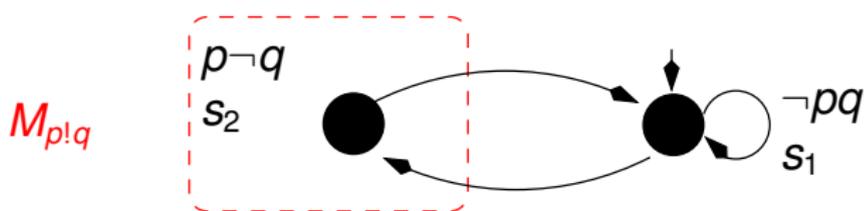
[Example provided by the student Davide Kirchner, 2014]



- $M_p \not\models \mathbf{AG}q$
- $M \models (\mathbf{AGAF}p) \rightarrow \mathbf{AG}q$

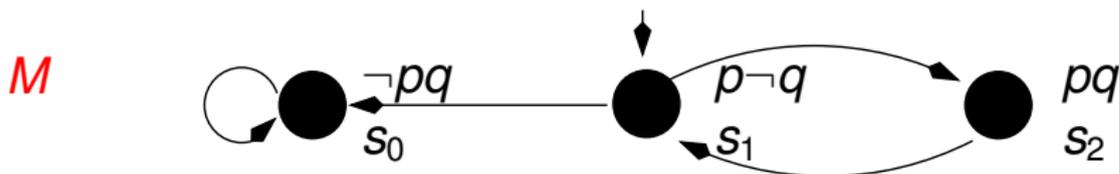
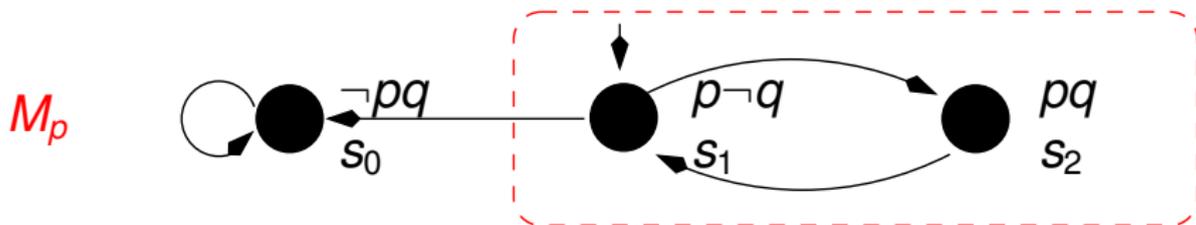
Ex. CTL:  $M_{\{f_1, \dots, f_n\}} \models \psi \not\iff M \models (\bigwedge_{i=1}^n \mathbf{EGEF} f_i) \rightarrow \psi$ .

[Example provided by the student Daniele Giuliani, 2019]



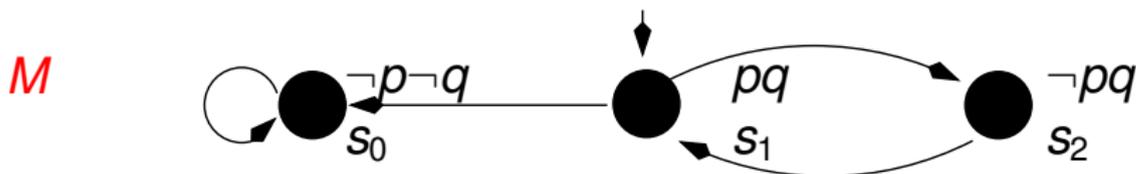
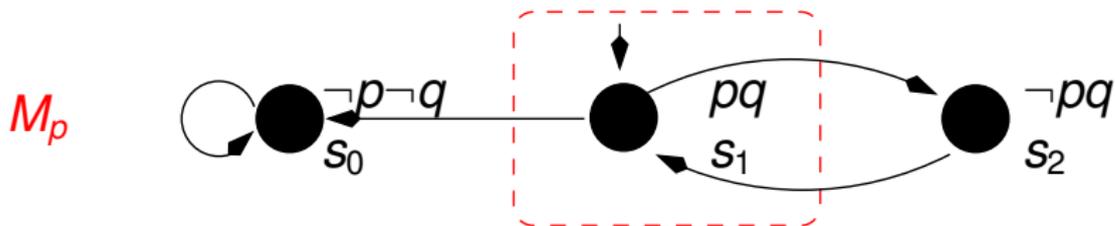
- $M_{p!q} \not\models \mathbf{EFEG} q$
- $M \models (\mathbf{EGEF} p) \rightarrow \mathbf{EFEG} q$

Ex. LTL (1):  $M_{\{f_1, \dots, f_n\}} \models \psi \iff M \models (\bigwedge_{i=1}^n \mathbf{GF}f_i) \rightarrow \psi$ .



- $M_p \not\models \mathbf{G}q$
- $M \not\models (\mathbf{GF}p) \rightarrow \mathbf{G}q$

Ex. LTL (2):  $M_{\{f_1, \dots, f_n\}} \models \psi \iff M \models (\bigwedge_{i=1}^n \mathbf{GF}f_i) \rightarrow \psi$ .



- $M_p \models \mathbf{G}q$
- $M \models (\mathbf{GF}p) \rightarrow \mathbf{G}q$

## Ex: Labeled CNF-ization

Consider the following Boolean formula  $\varphi$ :

$$((\neg A_1 \wedge \neg A_2) \vee (A_7 \wedge A_4) \vee (\neg A_3 \wedge A_2) \vee (A_5 \wedge \neg A_4))$$

Using the improved  $CNF_{label}$  conversion, produce the CNF formula  $CNF_{label}(\varphi)$ .

[ Solution: we introduce fresh Boolean variables naming the subformulas of  $\varphi$ :

$$\overbrace{\underbrace{((\neg A_1 \wedge \neg A_2))}_{B_1} \vee \underbrace{(A_7 \wedge A_4)}_{B_2} \vee \underbrace{(\neg A_3 \wedge A_2)}_{B_3} \vee \underbrace{(A_5 \wedge \neg A_4)}_{B_4}}^B$$

from which we obtain:

$$\begin{array}{ll} (B) & \wedge \\ (\neg B \vee B_1 \vee B_2 \vee B_3 \vee B_4) & \wedge \\ (\neg B_1 \vee \neg A_1) \wedge (\neg B_1 \vee \neg A_2) & \wedge \\ (\neg B_2 \vee A_7) \wedge (\neg B_2 \vee A_4) & \wedge \\ (\neg B_3 \vee \neg A_3) \wedge (\neg B_3 \vee A_2) & \wedge \\ (\neg B_4 \vee A_5) \wedge (\neg B_4 \vee \neg A_4) & \end{array}$$

# Ex: NNF conversion

Consider the following Boolean formula  $\varphi$ :

$$\neg(((\neg A_1 \rightarrow \neg A_2) \wedge (\neg A_3 \rightarrow A_4)) \vee ((A_5 \rightarrow A_6) \wedge (A_7 \rightarrow \neg A_8)))$$

Compute the Negative Normal Form of  $\varphi$ , called  $\varphi'$ .

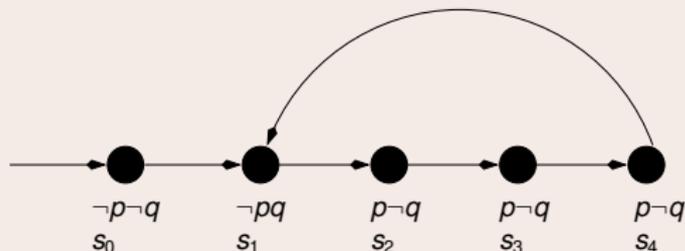
[ Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} & \varphi \\ \Rightarrow & \neg(((\neg A_1 \rightarrow \neg A_2) \wedge (\neg A_3 \rightarrow A_4)) \vee ((A_5 \rightarrow A_6) \wedge (A_7 \rightarrow \neg A_8))) \\ \Rightarrow & (\neg((\neg A_1 \rightarrow \neg A_2) \wedge (\neg A_3 \rightarrow A_4)) \wedge \neg((A_5 \rightarrow A_6) \wedge (A_7 \rightarrow \neg A_8))) \\ \Rightarrow & ((\neg(\neg A_1 \rightarrow \neg A_2) \vee \neg(\neg A_3 \rightarrow A_4)) \wedge (\neg(A_5 \rightarrow A_6) \vee \neg(A_7 \rightarrow \neg A_8))) \\ \Rightarrow & (((\neg A_1 \wedge A_2) \vee (\neg A_3 \wedge \neg A_4)) \wedge ((A_5 \wedge \neg A_6) \vee (A_7 \wedge A_8))) \\ = & \varphi' \end{aligned}$$

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# Exercise: LTL Model Checking (path)

Consider the following path  $\pi$ :

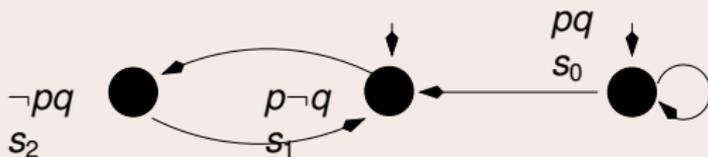


For each of the following facts, say if it is true or false in LTL.

- (a)  $\pi, s_0 \models \mathbf{GF}q$   
[ Solution: true ]
- (b)  $\pi, s_0 \models \mathbf{FG}(q \leftrightarrow \neg p)$   
[ Solution: true ]
- (c)  $\pi, s_2 \models \mathbf{G}p$   
[ Solution: false ]
- (d)  $\pi, s_2 \models p\mathbf{U}q$   
[ Solution: true ]

# Ex: LTL Model Checking

Consider the following Kripke Model  $M$ :

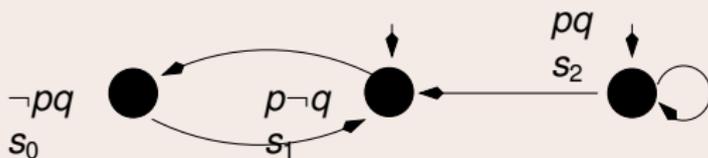


For each of the following facts, say if it is true or false in LTL.

- (a)  $M \models (p\mathbf{U}q)$   
 [ Solution: true ]
- (b)  $M \models \mathbf{G}(\neg p \rightarrow F\neg q)$   
 [ Solution: true ]
- (c)  $M \models \mathbf{G}p \rightarrow \mathbf{G}q$   
 [ Solution: true ]
- (d)  $M \models \mathbf{F}\mathbf{G}p$   
 [ Solution: false ]

# Ex: CTL Model Checking

Consider the following Kripke Model  $M$ :

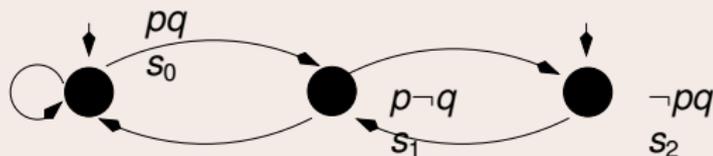


For each of the following facts, say if it is true or false in CTL.

- (a)  $M \models \mathbf{AF} \neg p$   
[ Solution: false ]
- (b)  $M \models \mathbf{EG} p$   
[ Solution: false ]
- (c)  $M \models \mathbf{A}(p \mathbf{U} q)$   
[ Solution: true ]
- (d)  $M \models \mathbf{E}(p \mathbf{U} \neg q)$   
[ Solution: true ]

# Ex: CTL Model Checking

Consider the following Kripke Model  $M$ :

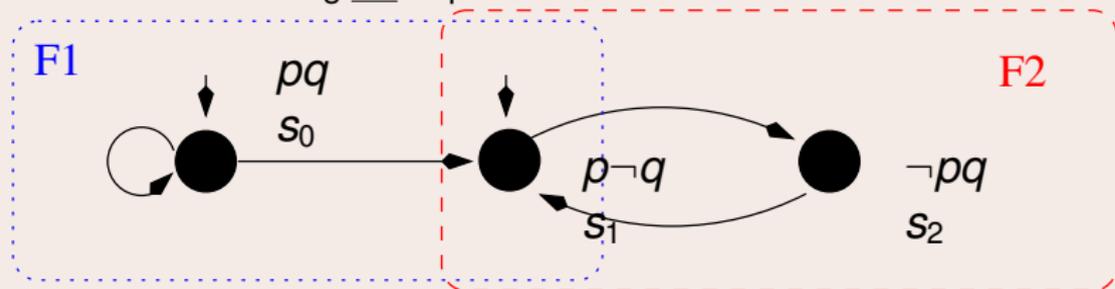


For each of the following facts, say if it is true or false in CTL.

- (a)  $M \models \mathbf{AF}\neg q$   
[ Solution: false ]
- (b)  $M \models \mathbf{EG}q$   
[ Solution: false ]
- (c)  $M \models ((\mathbf{AGAF}p \vee \mathbf{AGAF}q) \wedge (\mathbf{AGAF}\neg p \vee \mathbf{AGAF}\neg q)) \rightarrow q$   
[ Solution: true ]
- (d)  $M \models \mathbf{AFEG}(p \wedge q)$   
[ Solution: false ]

# Ex: Fair CTL Model Checking

Consider the following *fair* Kripke Model  $M$ :

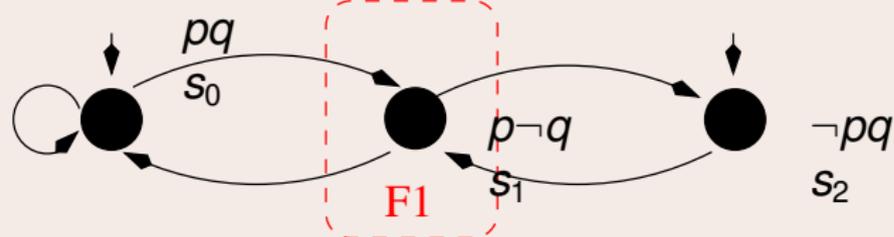


For each of the following facts, say if it is true or false in CTL.

- (a)  $M \models \mathbf{AF}\neg p$   
[ Solution: true ]
- (b)  $M \models \mathbf{A}(p\mathbf{U}\neg q)$   
[ Solution: true ]
- (c)  $M \models \mathbf{AX}\neg q$   
[ Solution: false ]
- (d)  $M \models \mathbf{AGAF}\neg p$   
[ Solution: true ]

# Ex: Fair CTL Model Checking

Consider the following *fair* Kripke Model  $M$ :



For each of the following facts, say if it is true or false in CTL.

- (a)  $M \models \mathbf{EF}(p \wedge q)$   
[ Solution: true ]
- (b)  $M \models \mathbf{AGAF}p$   
[ Solution: true ]
- (c)  $M \models \mathbf{AF}\neg q$   
[ Solution: true ]
- (d)  $M \models \mathbf{AG}(\neg p \vee \neg q)$   
[ Solution: false ]