Formal Methods Module II: Formal Verification Ch. 06: **Symbolic Model Checking**

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The Main Problem of M.C.: State Space Explosion

- The bottleneck:
 - Exhaustive analysis may require to store all the states of the Kripke structure, and to explore them one-by-one
 - The state space may be exponential in the number of components and variables
 - E.g., 300 Boolean vars \Longrightarrow up to $2^{300} \approx 10^{100}$ states!
 - State Space Explosion:
 - too much memory required
 - too much CPU time required to explore each state
- A solution: Symbolic Model Checking

Symbolic Model Checking

Symbolic representation:

- manipulation of sets of states (rather than single states);
- sets of states represented by formulae in propositional logic;
 - set cardinality not directly correlated to size
- expansion of sets of transitions (rather than single transitions);

Symbolic Model Checking [cont.]

- Two main symbolic techniques:
 - Ordered Binary Decision Diagrams (OBDDs)
 - Propositional Satisfiability Checkers (SAT solvers)
- Different model checking algorithms:
 - Fix-point Model Checking (historically, for CTL)
 - Fix-point Model Checking for LTL (conversion to fair CTL MC)
 - Bounded Model Checking (historically, for LTL)
 - Invariant Checking
 - ..

Symbolic Representation of Kripke Models

- Symbolic representation:
 - sets of states as their characteristic function (Boolean formula)
 - provide logical representation and transformations of characteristic functions
- Example:
 - three state variables x_1, x_2, x_3 : { 000, 001, 010, 011 } represented as "first bit false": $\neg x_1$
 - with five state variables x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5 : { 00000, 00001, 00010, 00011, 00100, 00101, 00110, 00111,..., 01111 } still represented as "first bit false": $\neg x_1$

Kripke Models in Propositional Logic

- Let M = (S, I, R, L, AF) be a Kripke model
- States $s \in S$ are described by means of an array V of Boolean state variables.
- A state is a truth assignment to each atomic proposition in V.
 - 0100 is represented by the formula $(\neg x_1 \land x_2 \land \neg x_3 \land \neg x_4)$
 - we call $\xi(s)$ the formula representing the state $s \in S$ (Intuition: $\xi(s)$ holds iff the system is in the state s)
- A set of states $Q \subseteq S$ can be represented by any formula which is logically equivalent to the formula $\xi(Q)$:

$$\bigvee_{s\in Q}\xi(s)$$

(Intuition: $\xi(Q)$ holds iff the system is in one of the states $s \in Q$)

• Bijection between models of $\xi(Q)$ and states in Q

Remark

- Every propositional formula is a (typically very compact) representation of the set of assignments satisfying it
- Any formula equivalent to $\xi(Q)$ is a representation of Q \Longrightarrow Typically Q can be encoded by much smaller formulas than $\bigvee_{s \in Q} \xi(s)!$
- Example: $Q = \{00000, 00001, 00010, 00011, 00100, 00101, 00110, 00111, ..., 01111\}$ represented as "first bit false": $\neg x_1$

$$\bigvee_{s \in Q} \xi(s) = \begin{pmatrix} (\neg x_1 \wedge \neg x_2 \wedge \neg x_3 \wedge \neg x_4 \wedge \neg x_5) \vee \\ (\neg x_1 \wedge \neg x_2 \wedge \neg x_3 \wedge \neg x_4 \wedge x_5) \vee \\ (\neg x_1 \wedge \neg x_2 \wedge \neg x_3 \wedge x_4 \wedge \neg x_5) \vee \\ \dots \\ (\neg x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge x_3 \wedge x_4 \wedge x_5) \end{pmatrix} 2^4 \text{disjuncts}$$

Symbolic Representation of Set Operators

One-to-one correspondence between sets and Boolean operators

- Set of all the states: $\xi(S) := \top$
- Empty set : $\xi(\emptyset) := \bot$
- Union represented by disjunction:

$$\xi(P \cup Q) := \xi(P) \vee \xi(Q)$$

Intersection represented by conjunction:

$$\xi(P \cap Q) := \xi(P) \wedge \xi(Q)$$

Complement represented by negation:

$$\xi(S/P) := \neg \xi(P)$$

Symbolic Representation of Transition Relations

- The transition relation *R* is a set of pairs of states: $R \subseteq S \times S$
- A transition is a pair of states (s, s')
- A new vector of variables V' (the next state vector) represents the value of variables after the transition has occurred
- $\xi(s, s')$ defined as $\xi(s) \wedge \xi(s')$ (Intuition: $\xi(s, s')$ holds iff the system is in the state s and moves to state s' in next step)
- The transition relation *R* can be represented by any formula equivalent to:

$$\bigvee_{(s,s')\in R} \xi(s,s') = \bigvee_{(s,s')\in R} (\xi(s) \land \xi(s'))$$

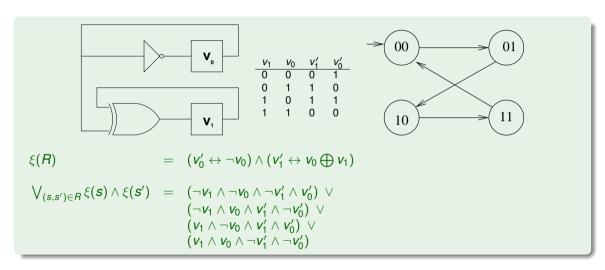
Each formula equivalent to $\xi(R)$ is a representation of R

 \implies Typically R can be encoded by a much smaller formula than $\bigvee_{(s,s')\in R}\xi(s)\wedge\xi(s')!$

Example: a simple counter

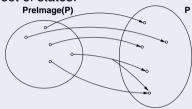
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MODULE main
 VAR
    v0 : boolean;
v1 : boolean;
out : 0..3;
 ASSIGN
    init(v0) := 0;
next(v0) := !v0;
    init(v1) := 0;
next(v1) := (v0 xor v1);
    out := toint(v0) + 2*toint(v1);
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                                                   v_0
                                                                         10
                                   V_1
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Example: a simple counter [cont.]



Pre-Image

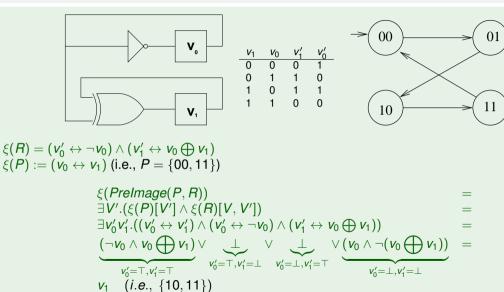
• (Backward) pre-image of a set of states:



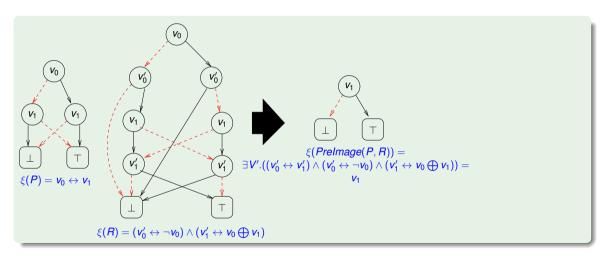
Evaluate one-shot all transitions ending in the states of the set

- Set theoretic view: $PreImage(P, R) := \{s \mid \text{for some } s' \in P, (s, s') \in R\}$
- Logical view: $\xi(PreImage(P, R)) := \exists V'.(\xi(P)[V'] \land \xi(R)[V, V'])$
- μ over V is s.t $\mu \models \exists V'.(\xi(P)[V'] \land \xi(R)[V,V'])$ iff, for some μ' over V', we have: $\mu \cup \mu' \models (\xi(P)[V'] \land \xi(R)[V,V'])$, i.e., $\mu' \models \xi(P)[V']$ and $\mu \cup \mu' \models \xi(R)[V,V'])$
 - $\bullet \ \ \text{Intuition:} \ \mu \Longleftrightarrow \textit{\textbf{s}}, \ \mu' \Longleftrightarrow \textit{\textbf{s}}', \ \mu \cup \mu' \Longleftrightarrow \langle \textit{\textbf{s}}, \textit{\textbf{s}}' \rangle \\$

Example: simple counter

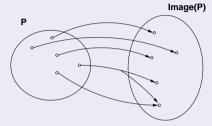


Pre-Image [cont.]



Forward Image

Forward image of a set:



Evaluate one-shot all transitions from the states of the set

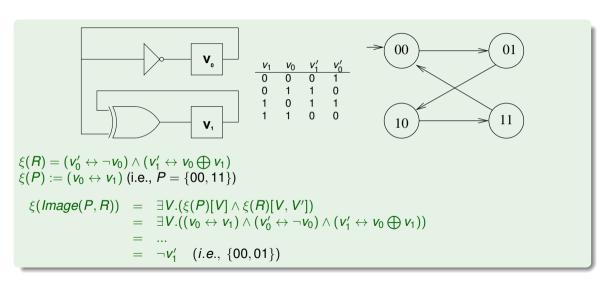
Set theoretic view:

$$Image(P,R) := \{s' | \text{ for some } s \in P, (s,s') \in R\}$$

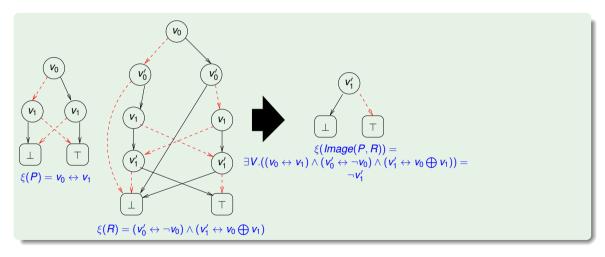
Logical Characterization:

$$\xi(Image(P,R)) := \exists V.(\xi(P)[V] \land \xi(R)[V,V'])$$

Example: simple counter



Forward Image [cont.]



Application of the Transition Relation

- Image and PreImage of a set of states S computed by means of quantified Boolean formulae
- The whole set of transitions can be fired (either forward or backward) in one logical operation
- The symbolic computation of PreImage and Image provide the primitives for symbolic search of the state space of FSM's

Notation Remark

Henceforth, for readability sake, we omit the " $\xi()$ " notation in symbolic representations of systems.

- Kripke models represented as $\langle I(V), R(V, V') \rangle$
- Fair Kripke models represented as $\langle I(V), R(V, V'), F(V) \rangle$ s.t. $F(V) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{F_1(V), ..., F_k(V)\}$

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CTL MC Procedure

```
STATE-SET Check(CTL formula β) {
    case \beta of
    Τ:
                     return S:
                     return Ø:
    \neg \beta_1:
                     return S \setminus Check(\beta_1);
    \beta_1 \wedge \beta_2:
               return (Check(\beta_1) \cap Check(\beta_2));
    \mathbf{EX}\beta_1:
                    return PreImage(Check(\beta_1));
    EGβ₁:
                    return Check EG(Check(\beta_1));
                    return Check EU(Check(\beta_1),Check(\beta_2));
    \mathsf{E}(\beta_1\mathsf{U}\beta_2):
```

General Symbolic CTL MC Procedure

```
OBDD
               Check(CTL formula \beta) {
    if (In OBDD Hash(\beta)) return OBDD Get From Hash(\beta);
    case \beta of
    Τ:
                     return obdd true:
                     return obdd false:
    \neg \beta_1:
                    return \neg Check(\beta_1):
    \beta_1 \wedge \beta_2:
               return (Check(\beta_1) \wedge Check(\beta_2));
    \mathbf{E}\mathbf{X}\beta_1:
                    return PreImage(Check(\beta_1)):
                    return Check EG(Check(\beta_1)):
    EGβ₁:
                    return Check EU(Check(\beta_1),Check(\beta_2)):
    \mathsf{E}(\beta_1\mathsf{U}\beta_2):
```

Ingredients

Some primitive functions from CLT Model Checking:

- Symbolic Check_EX(ϕ): returns an OBDD representing the set of states from which a path verifying **X** ϕ holds (i.e., the symbolic preimage of the set of states where ϕ holds)
- Symbolic Check_EG(ϕ): returns an OBDD representing the set of states from which a path verifying $\mathbf{G}\phi$ holds
- Symbolic Check_EU(ϕ_1, ϕ_2): returns an OBDD representing the set of states from which a path verifying $\phi_1 \mathbf{U} \phi_2$ holds

Check_EX

Explicit-state

State Set Check_EX(State Set X)
return $\{s \mid \text{for some } s' \in X, (s, s') \in R\};$

Symbolic

OBDD Check_EX(OBDD X)
return $\exists V'.(X[V'] \land R[V, V']);$

Same as Pre-Image computation.

Check_EG

```
Explicit-State

State Set Check_EG(State Set X)

Y' := X;

repeat

Y := Y';

Y' := Y \cap Check\_EX(Y);

until (Y' = Y);

return Y;
```

```
Symbolic

OBDD Check_EG(OBDD X)

Y' := X;

repeat

Y := Y';

Y' := Y \land Check\_EX(Y);

until (Y' \leftrightarrow Y);

return Y;
```

Hint (tableaux rule): $s \models \mathbf{EG}\phi$ only if $s \models \phi \land \mathbf{EXEG}\phi$

Check_EU

```
Explicit-State

State Set Check_EU(State Set X_1, X_2)

Y' := X_2;

repeat

Y := Y';

Y' := Y \cup (X_1 \cap Check\_EX(Y));

until (Y' = Y);

return Y;
```

```
Symbolic

OBDD Check_EU(OBDD X_1, X_2)

Y' := X_2;

repeat

Y := Y';

Y' := Y \lor (X_1 \land Check\_EX(Y));

until (Y' \leftrightarrow Y);

return Y;
```

```
Hint (tableaux rule): s \models \mathbf{E}(\phi_1 \mathbf{U} \phi_2) if s \models \phi_2 \lor (\phi_1 \land \mathbf{EXE}(\phi_1 \mathbf{U} \phi_2))
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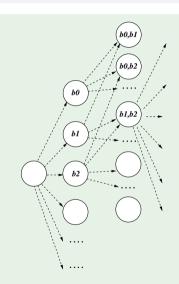
A simple example

```
MODULE main
VAR
  b0 : boolean;
  b1 : boolean;
ASSIGN
  init(b0) := 0;
  next(b0) := case
    b0 : 1;
    !b0 : \{0,1\};
  esac;
  init(b1) := 0;
  next(b1) := case
    b1 : 1;
    !b1 : \{0,1\};
  esac;
  . . .
```

A simple example [cont.]

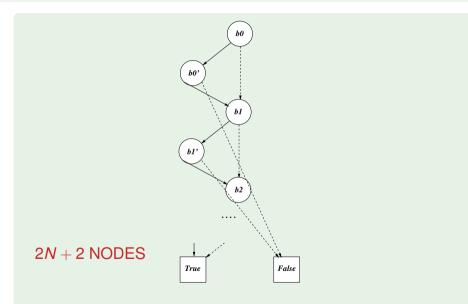
- N Boolean variables b0, b1, ...
- Initially, all variables set to 0
- Each variable can pass from 0 to 1, but not vice-versa
- 2^N states, all reachable
- (Simplified) model of a student career behaviour.

A simple example: FSM

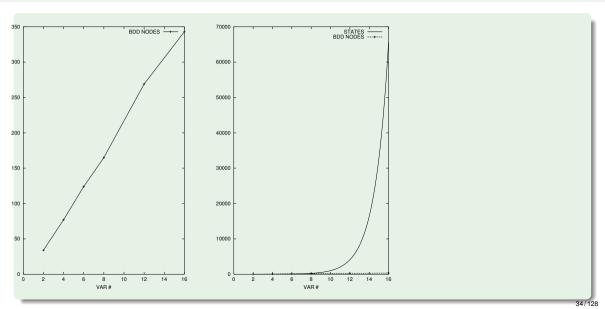


(transitive transitons omitted) 2^N STATES $O(2^N)$ TRANSITIONS

A simple example: $OBDD(\xi(R))$



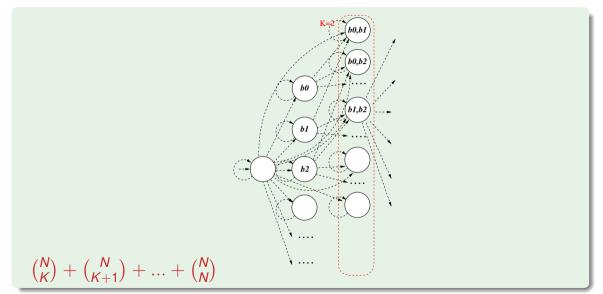
A simple example: states vs. OBDD nodes [NuSMV.2]



A simple example: reaching *K* bits true

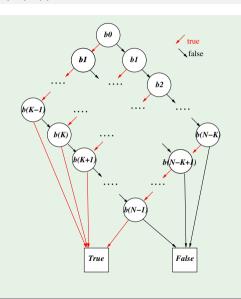
- Property $\mathbf{EF}(b0 + b1 + ... + b(N 1) \ge K)$ ($K \le N$) (it may be reached a state in which K bits are true)
- E.g.: "it is reachable a state where K exams are passed"

A simple example: FSM



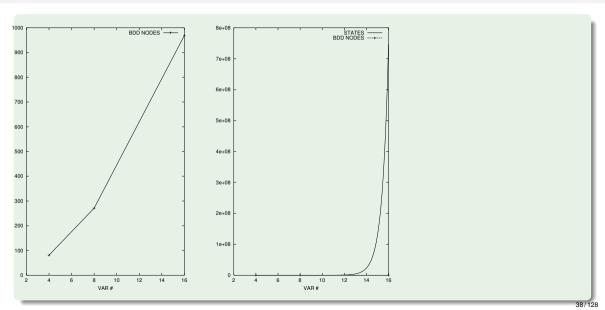
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A simple example: $OBDD(\xi(\varphi))$



 $(N-K+1)\cdot K+2$ NODES

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The Need for Fairness Conditions: Intuition

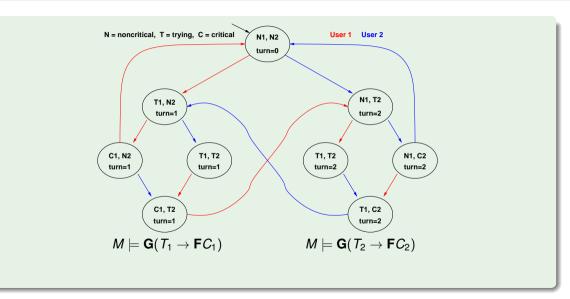
Consider a public restroom. A standard access policy is "first come first served" (e.g., a queue-based protocol).

- 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

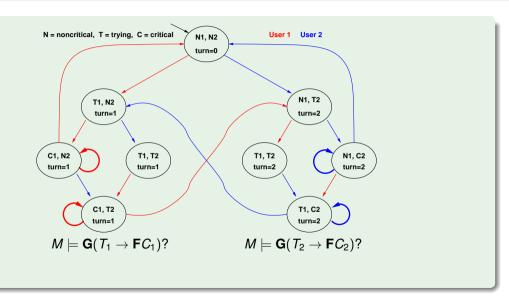
The Need for Fairness Conditions: An Example

- Consider a variant of the mutual exclusion in which one process can stay permanently in the critical zone
- Do $M \models \mathbf{G}(T_1 \to \mathbf{F}C_1), M \models \mathbf{G}(T_2 \to \mathbf{F}C_2)$ still hold?

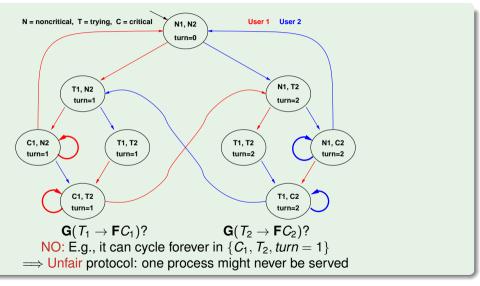
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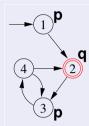


Fairness Conditions

- It is desirable that certain (typically Boolean) conditions φ 's hold infinitely often: **GF** φ
- $\mathbf{GF}\varphi$ is called fairness conditions
- Intuitively, fairness conditions are used to eliminate behaviours in which a certain condition φ never holds:
 - **GF** φ : "it is never reached a state from which φ is forever false"
- Example: it is not desirable that, once a process is in the critical section, it never exits: $\mathbf{GF} \neg C_1$
- A fair condition φ_i can be represented also by the set f_i of states where φ_i holds $(f_i := \{s : \pi, s \models \varphi_i, \text{ for each } \pi \in M\})$

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 function $L: S \longrightarrow 2^{AP}$;
 - a set of fairness conditions $F = \{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$, with $f_i \subseteq S$.



- E.g., $\{\{2\}\} := \{\{s : L(s) = \{q\}\}\} = \{\mathbf{GF}q\}$ is the set of fairness conditions of the Kripke model above
- Fair path π : at least one state for each f_i occurs infinitely often in π (φ_i holds infinitely often in π : $\pi \models \mathbf{GF}\varphi_i$)
 - E.g., every path visiting infinitely often state 2 is a fair path.
- Fair state: a state through which at least one fair path passes
 - E.g., all states 1,2,3,4 are fair states
- ullet Note: fair state \neq state belonging to a fairness condition

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- $M_f \models \varphi$ iff $\pi \models \varphi$ for every fair path π
- Path quantifiers (from CTL) apply only to fair paths:
 - $M_F, s \models \mathbf{A}\varphi$ iff $\pi, s \models \varphi$ for every fair path π s.t. $s \in \pi$
 - $M_F, s \models \mathbf{E}\varphi$ iff $\pi, s \models \varphi$ for some fair path π s.t. $s \in \pi$
- \Rightarrow a fair state s is a state in M_F iff M_F , $s \models \mathbf{EG}$ true.
- We need a procedure to compute the set of fair states: Check_FairEG(true)

- M_f ⊨ EGtrue? yes
- $M_f \models \mathbf{G}(p \rightarrow \mathbf{F}q)$? yes
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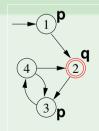
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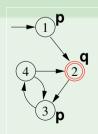
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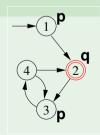


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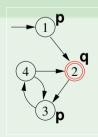


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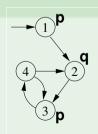


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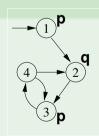
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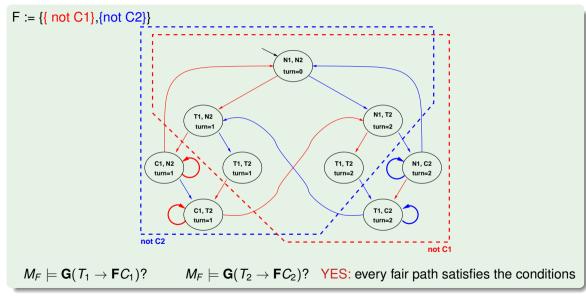
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Fair CTL Model Checking: Example



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

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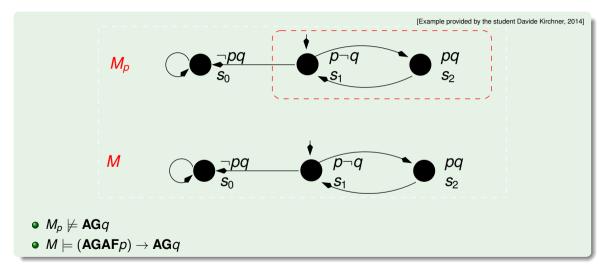
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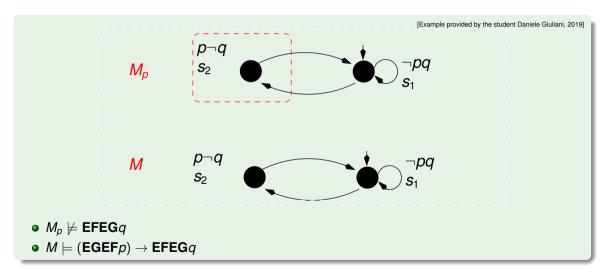
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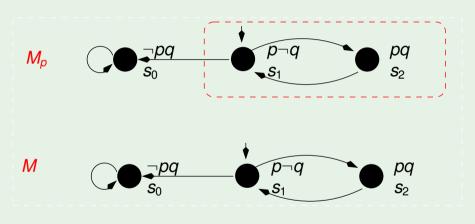
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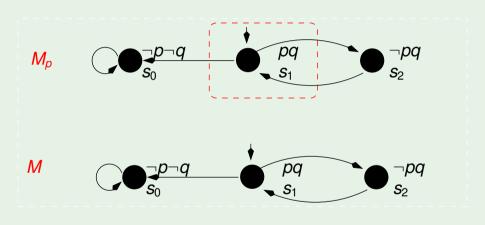


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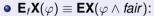


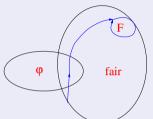
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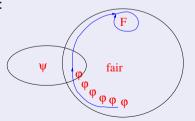
- In order to solve the fair CTL model checking problem, we must be able to compute:
 - $[\varphi_f]$ s.t. φ Boolean (i.e. $[\varphi]$ under fairness conditions f)
 - $[\mathbf{E}_f \mathbf{X}(\varphi)]$ (i.e. $[\mathbf{E} \mathbf{X} \varphi]$ under fairness conditions f)
 - $[\mathbf{E}_f(\varphi \mathbf{U}\psi)]$ (i.e. $[\mathbf{E}(\varphi \mathbf{U}\psi)]$ under fairness conditions f)
 - $[\mathbf{E}_f \mathbf{G} \varphi]$ (i.e. $[\mathbf{E} \mathbf{G} \varphi]$ under fairness conditions f).
- Suppose we have a procedure Check_FairEG to compute $[\mathbf{E}_f \mathbf{G} \varphi]$.
- Let $fair = \mathbf{E}_f \mathbf{G} true$. $(M, s \models \mathbf{E}_f \mathbf{G} true)$ if s is a fair state.)
- if φ is Boolean, then M_f , $s \models \varphi$ iff M, $s \models (\varphi \land fair)$
- We can rewrite all the other fair operators:
 - $\mathbf{E}_f \mathbf{X}(\varphi) \equiv \mathbf{E} \mathbf{X}(\varphi \wedge fair)$
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Fair CTL Model Checking





• $\mathbf{E}_f(\varphi \mathbf{U} \psi) \equiv \mathbf{E}(\varphi \mathbf{U}(\psi \wedge fair))$:



Language-Emptiness Checking for Fair Kripke Models

Fair_CheckEG

Given: a fair Kripke model $M_F := \langle S, R, I, AP, L, F \rangle$ and a set of states T s.t. $T \subseteq S$, Fair_CheckEG(T) returns the subset of the states s in T from which at least one fair path π entirely included in T passes through

Symbolic Fair_CheckEG

Given: the symbolic representation of a fair Kripke model $M_F := \langle I, R, F \rangle$ a Boolean formula (OBDD) Ψ ,

Fair_CheckEG(Ψ) returns a Boolean formula (OBDD) representing the subset of the states s in Ψ from which at least one fair path π entirely included in Ψ passes through

Fair_CheckEG(*true*) computes (the symbolic representation of) the set of fair states of M_f $\implies I \subseteq \text{Fair_CheckEG}(\textit{true})$ iff $\mathcal{L}(M_f) \neq \emptyset$

Ingredients (from CTL Model Checking)

Some primitive functions from CLT Model Checking:

- Symbolic Check_EX(ϕ): returns an OBDD representing the set of states from which a path verifying $\mathbf{X}\phi$ holds
 - (i.e., the symbolic preimage of the set of states where ϕ holds)
- Symbolic Check_EG(ϕ): returns an OBDD representing the set of states from which a path verifying $\mathbf{G}\phi$ holds
- Symbolic Check_EU(ϕ_1, ϕ_2): returns an OBDD representing the set of states from which a path verifying $\phi_1 \mathbf{U} \phi_2$ holds

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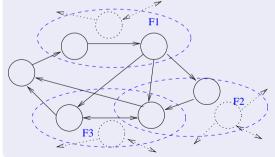
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SCC-based Check_FairEG

A Strongly Connected Component (SCC) of a directed graph is a maximal subgraph s.t. all its nodes are reachable from each other.

Given a fair Kripke model M, a fair non-trivial SCC is an SCC with at least one edge that contains at least one state for every fair condition

 \Longrightarrow all states in a fair (non-trivial) SCC are fair states



SCC-based Check_FairEG (cont.)

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Check_FairEG ([\phi]):

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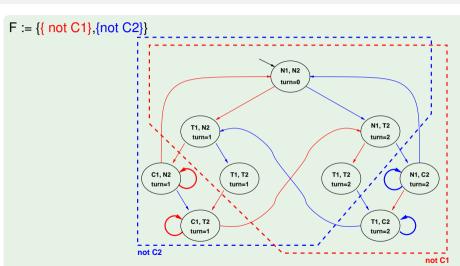
(ii) find all fair non-trivial SCCs C_i

(iii) build C := \cup_i C_i;

(iv) compute the states that can reach C (Check_EU([\phi], C)).

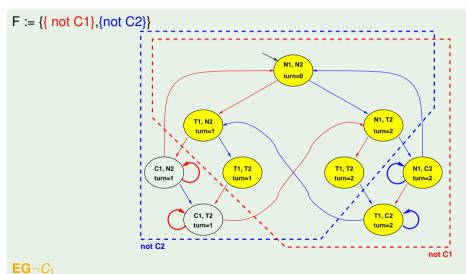
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Example: Check_FairEG



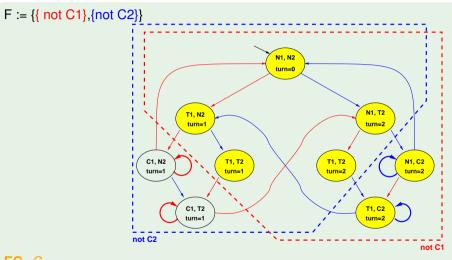
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Example: Check_FairEG



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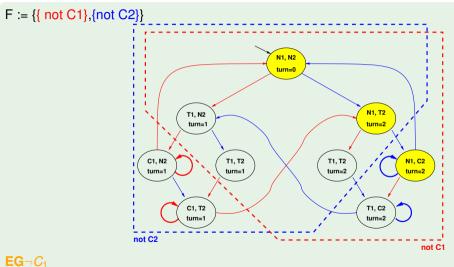
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EG $\neg C_1$ Check FairFG($\neg C_4$): 2 restriction

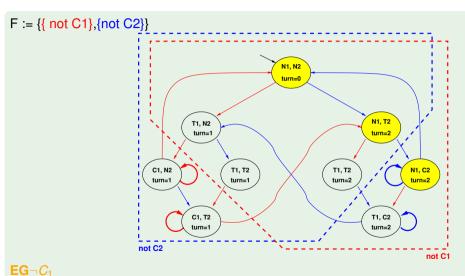
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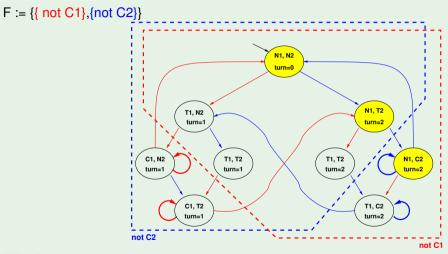


Check FairEG($\neg C_1$): 3. find all fair non-trivial SCC's

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Check FairEG($\neg C_1$): 4. build the union C of all SCC's



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Check_FairEG($\neg C_1$): 5. compute the states which can reach it

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SCC-based Check_FairEG - Drawbacks

- SCCs computation requires a linear (O(#nodes + #edges)) DFS (Tarjan).
- The DFS manipulates the states explicitly, storing information for every state.
- A DFS is not suitable for symbolic model checking where we manipulate sets of states.
- ⇒ We want an algorithm based on (symbolic) preimage computation.

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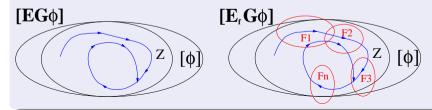
Fixpoint characterization of EG and fair EG

"[ϕ]" denotes the set of states where ϕ holds

• Theorem (Emerson & Clarke): $[\mathbf{EG}\phi] = \nu Z.([\phi] \cap [\mathbf{EX}Z])$ The greatest set Z s.t. every state z in Z satisfies ϕ and reaches another state in Z in one step.

We can characterize fair **EG** (aka " $\mathbf{E}_f\mathbf{G}$ ") similarly:

• Theorem (Emerson & Lei): $[\mathbf{E}_f \mathbf{G} \phi] = \nu Z.([\phi] \cap \bigcap_{F_i \in FT} [\mathbf{EX} \mathbf{E}(Z\mathbf{U}(Z \cap F_i))])$ The greatest set Z s.t. every state z in Z satisfies ϕ and, for every set $F_i \in FT$, z reaches a state in $F_i \cap Z$ by means of a non-trivial path that lies in Z.



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Implementation of the above formula

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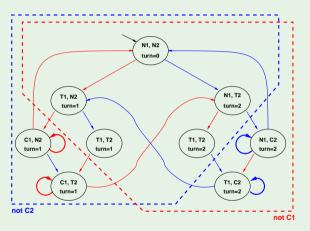
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Emerson-Lei Algorithm (symbolic version)

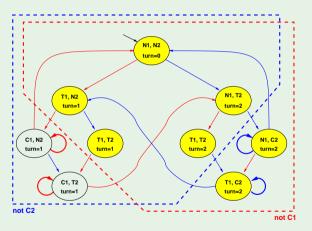
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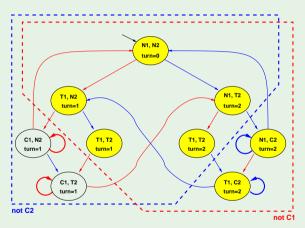
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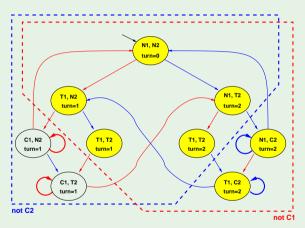
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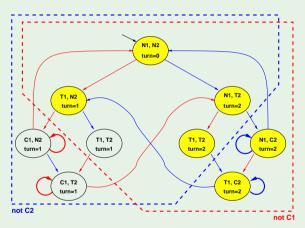
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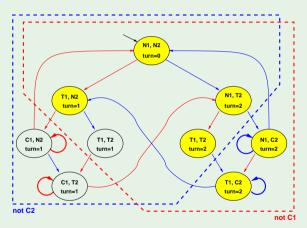
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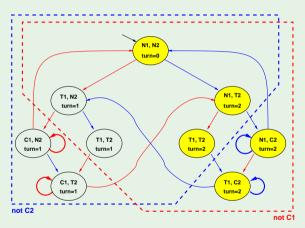
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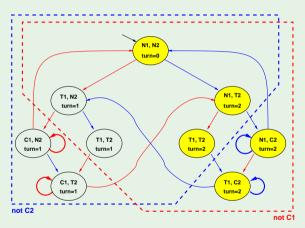
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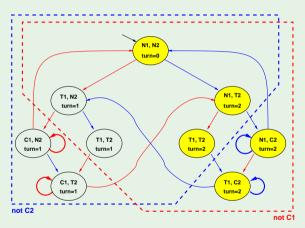
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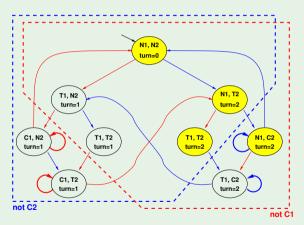
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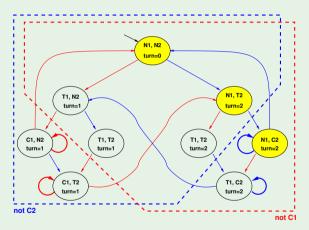
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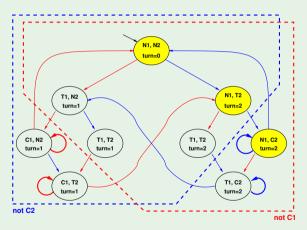
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Symbolic LTL Satisfiability and Entailment

LTL Validity/Satisfiability

ullet Let ψ be an LTL formula

• $T_{\neg \psi}$ is a fair Kripke model (aka tableaux) which represents all and only the paths that satisfy $\neg \psi$ (do not satisfy ψ)

LTL Entailment

• Let φ, ψ be an LTL formula

$$\begin{array}{c} \varphi \models \psi \quad \text{(LTL)} \\ \models \varphi \rightarrow \psi \quad \text{(LTL)} \\ \Longleftrightarrow \quad \varphi \land \neg \psi \text{ unsat} \\ \Longleftrightarrow \quad \mathcal{L}(T_{\varphi \land \neg \psi}) = \emptyset \end{array}$$

• $T_{\varphi \wedge \neg \psi}$ is a fair Kripke model (aka tableaux) which represents all and only the paths that satisfy $\varphi \wedge \neg \psi$ (satisfy φ and do not satisfy ψ)

Symbolic LTL Model Checking

LTL Model Checking

• Let M be a Kripke model and ψ be an LTL formula

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\begin{array}{c} \textit{M} \models \psi \quad \text{(LTL)} \\ \iff \mathcal{L}(\textit{M}) \subseteq \mathcal{L}(\psi) \\ \iff \mathcal{L}(\textit{M}) \cap \overline{\mathcal{L}}(\psi) = \emptyset \\ \iff \mathcal{L}(\textit{M}) \cap \mathcal{L}(\neg \psi) = \emptyset \\ \iff \mathcal{L}(\textit{M}) \cap \mathcal{L}(T_{\neg \psi}) = \emptyset \\ \iff \mathcal{L}(\textit{M} \times T_{\neg \psi}) = \emptyset \end{array}
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- $T_{\neg \psi}$ is a fair Kripke model (aka tableaux) which represents all and only the paths that satisfy $\neg \psi$ (do not satisfy ψ)
- $\longrightarrow M \times T_{\neg \psi}$ represents all and only the paths appearing in M and not in ψ .

Symbolic LTL Model Checking

Three steps

Let $\varphi \stackrel{\text{\tiny def}}{=} \neg \psi$:

- (i) Compute T_{φ}
- (ii) Compute the product $M \times T_{\varphi}$
- (iii) Check the emptiness of $\mathcal{L}(M \times T_{\varphi})$

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The Set of States

• Elementary subformulas of ψ : $el(\psi)$

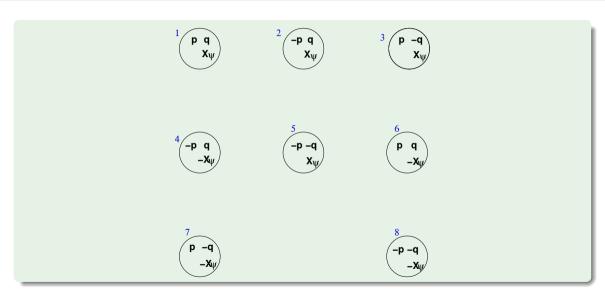
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 \begin{array}{l} \bullet \  \, el(p) := \{p\} \\ \bullet \  \, el(\neg \varphi_1) := el(\varphi_1) \\ \bullet \  \, el(\varphi_1 \land \varphi_2) := el(\varphi_1) \cup el(\varphi_2) \\ \bullet \  \, el(\mathbf{X}\varphi_1) = \{\mathbf{X}\varphi_1\} \cup el(\varphi_1) \\ \bullet \  \, el(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U}\varphi_2) := \{\mathbf{X}(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U}\varphi_2)\} \cup el(\varphi_1) \cup el(\varphi_2) \\ \end{array}
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- Intuition: $el(\psi)$ is the set of propositions and **X**-formulas occurring ψ' , ψ' being the result of applying recursively the tableau expansion rules to ψ
- The set of states $S_{T_{\psi}}$ of T_{ψ} is given by $2^{el(\psi)}$
- The labeling function $L_{T_{\psi}}$ of T_{ψ} comes straightforwardly (the label is the Boolean component of each state)

Example: $\psi := p\mathbf{U}q$

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• el(pUq) = el((q \lor (p \land X(pUq))) = \{p, q, X(pUq)\}\
                                                                     \Longrightarrow \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{T}_{ab}} = \{
                                                                                                             1: \{p, q, \mathbf{X}(p\mathbf{U}q)\},\
                                                                                                                                                                                         [pUq]
                                                                                                              \begin{array}{lll} 2: & \{\neg p, q, \mathbf{X}(p\mathbf{U}q)\}, & [p\mathbf{U}q] \\ 3: & \{p, \neg q, \mathbf{X}(p\mathbf{U}q)\}, & [p\mathbf{U}q] \\ 4: & \{\neg p, q, \neg \mathbf{X}(p\mathbf{U}q)\}, & [p\mathbf{U}q] \end{array} 
                                                                                                              5: \{\neg p, \neg q, \mathbf{X}(p\mathbf{U}q)\}, [\neg p\mathbf{U}q]
6: \{p, q, \neg \mathbf{X}(p\mathbf{U}q)\}, [p\mathbf{U}q]
                                                                                                              7: \{p, \neg q, \neg \mathbf{X}(p\mathbf{U}q)\}, [\neg p\mathbf{U}q]
                                                                                                              8: \{\neg p, \neg q, \neg \mathbf{X}(p\mathbf{U}q)\} [\neg p\mathbf{U}q]
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Example: $\psi := p\mathbf{U}q$ [cont.]



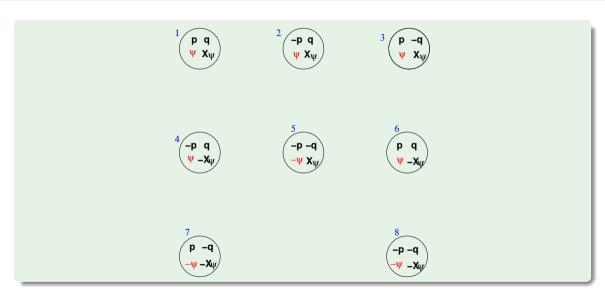
sat()

- Set of states in $S_{T_{\psi}}$ satisfying φ_i : $sat(\varphi_i)$
 - $sat(\varphi_1) := \{s \mid \varphi_1 \in s\}, \varphi_1 \in el(\psi)$
 - $sat(\neg \varphi_1) := S_{T_{\psi}}/sat(\varphi_1)$
 - $sat(\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2) := sat(\varphi_1) \cap sat(\varphi_2)$
 - $sat(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2) := sat(\varphi_2) \cup (sat(\varphi_1) \cap sat(\mathbf{X}(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2)))$
- intuition: sat() establishes in which states subformulas are true

Remark

- Semantics of " $\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2$ " here induced by tableaux rule: $\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \varphi_2 \vee (\varphi_1 \wedge \mathbf{X} (\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2))$
- \implies weaker than standard semantics (aka "weak until", " φ_1 **W** φ_2 "): a path where φ_1 is always true and φ_2 is always false satisfies it

Example: $\psi := p \mathbf{U} q$ [cont.]



Initial States and Transition Relation

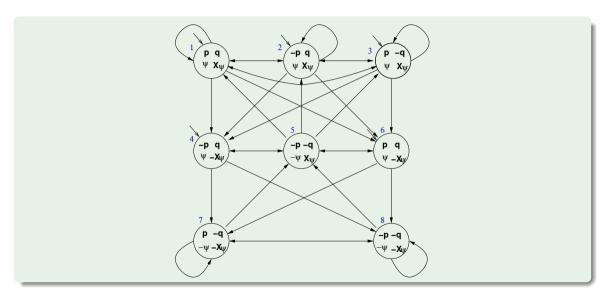
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 - $sat(\varphi_1 \land \varphi_2) := sat(\varphi_1) \cap sat((\varphi_2))$ • $sat(\varphi_1 \cup \varphi_2) := sat((\varphi_2) \cup (sat((\varphi_1) \cap sat(((\varphi_1 \cup \varphi_2)))))$
- Intuition: sat() establishes in which states subformulas are true
- The set of initial states $I_{T_{ab}}$ is defined as

$$I_{\mathcal{T}_{\psi}} = sat(\psi)$$

• The transition relation $R_{T_{\psi}}$ is defined as

$$R_{T_{\psi}}(s,s') = \bigcap_{\mathbf{X}\varphi_i \in el(\psi)} \{(s,s') \mid s \in sat(\mathbf{X}\varphi_i) \Leftrightarrow s' \in sat(\varphi_i)\}$$

Example: $\psi := p\mathbf{U}q$ [cont.]



Problems with **U**-subformulas

- $R_{T_{ab}}$ does not guarantee that the **U**-subformulas are fulfilled
- Example: state 3 {p, ¬q, X(pUq)}: although state 3 belongs to

$$sat(p\mathbf{U}q) := sat(q) \cup (sat(p) \cap sat(\mathbf{X}(p\mathbf{U}q))),$$

the path which loops forever in state 3 does not satisfy $p\mathbf{U}q$, as q never holds in that path.

Tableaux Rules: a Quote

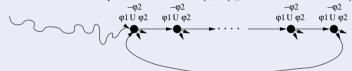


"After all... tomorrow is another day." [Scarlett O'Hara, "Gone with the Wind"]

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Fairness conditions for every **U**-subformula

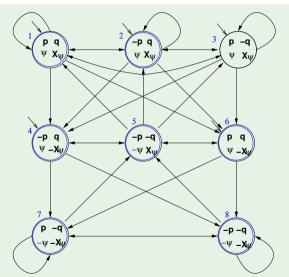
• It must never happen that we get into a state s' from which we can enter a path π' in which $\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2$ holds forever and φ_2 never holds.



- For every [positive] **U**-subformula φ_1 **U** φ_2 of ψ , we must add a fairness LTL condition $\mathbf{GF}(\neg(\varphi_1\mathbf{U}\varphi_2)\vee\varphi_2)$
 - If no [positive] U-subformulas, then add one fairness condition $\mathbf{GF} \top$.
- We restrict the admissible paths of T_{ψ} to those which verify the fairness condition: $T_{\psi} := \langle S_{T_{\psi}}, I_{T_{\psi}}, R_{T_{\psi}}, L_{T_{\psi}}, F_{T_{\psi}} \rangle$

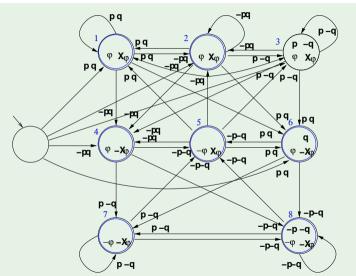
$$F_{\mathcal{T}_{\psi}} := \{ sat(\neg(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2) \lor \varphi_2)) \ s.t. \ (\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2) \ occurs \ [positively] in \ \psi \}$$

Example: $\psi := p\mathbf{U}q$ [cont.]



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Symbolic Representation of T_{ψ}

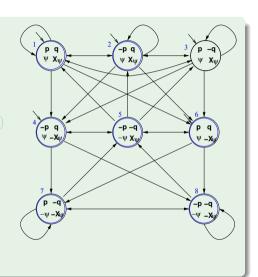
- State variables: one Boolean variable for each formula in $el(\psi)$
 - EX: p, q and x and primed versions p', q' and x'
 [x is a Boolean label for X(pUq)]
- sat(φ_i):
 - sat(p) := p, s.t. p Boolean state variable
 - $sat(\neg \varphi_1) := \neg sat(\varphi_1)$
 - $sat(\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2) := sat(\varphi_1) \wedge sat(\varphi_2)$
 - $sat(\mathbf{X}\varphi_i) := x_{[\mathbf{X}\varphi_i]}$, s.t. $x_{[\mathbf{X}\varphi_i]}$ Boolean state variable
 - $\operatorname{sat}(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2) := \operatorname{sat}(\varphi_2) \vee (\operatorname{sat}(\varphi_1) \wedge \operatorname{sat}(\mathbf{X}(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2)))$ $\Rightarrow \operatorname{sat}(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2) := \operatorname{sat}(\varphi_2) \vee (\operatorname{sat}(\varphi_1) \wedge \operatorname{X}(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2))$
 - $\implies sat(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2) := sat(\varphi_2) \lor (sat(\varphi_1) \land x_{[\mathbf{X} \varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2]})$

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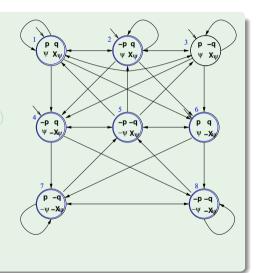
Symbolic Representation of T_{ψ} [cont.]

- ... • Initial states: $I_{T_{th}} = sat(\psi)$
 - EX: $I(p,q,x) = q \lor (p \land x)$
- Transition Relation: $R_{T_{\psi}}(s, s') = \bigcap_{\mathbf{X}\varphi_i \in el(\psi)} \{(s, s') \mid s \in sat(\mathbf{X}\varphi_i) \Leftrightarrow s' \in sat(\varphi_i)\}$
 - $R_{T_{\psi}} = \bigwedge_{\mathbf{X}\varphi_i \in \theta l(\psi)} (sat(\mathbf{X}\varphi_i) \leftrightarrow sat'(\varphi_i))$ where $sat'(\varphi_i)$ is $sat(\varphi_i)$ on primed variables
 - EX: $R_{T_{\psi}}(p,q,x,p',q',x') = x \leftrightarrow (q' \lor (p' \land x'))$
- Fairness Conditions: $F_{T_{\psi}} := \{ sat(\neg(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2) \lor \varphi_2) \} s.t. (\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2) \text{ occurs [positively] in } \psi \}$
 - EX: $F_{T_{\psi}}(p,q,x) = \neg(q \lor (p \land x)) \lor q = ... = \neg p \lor \neg x \lor q$

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\bullet I_{T,p}(p,q,x) = q \vee (p \wedge x)
• R_{T_{c}}(p,q,x,p',q',x') = x \leftrightarrow (q' \lor (p' \land x'))
\bullet F_{T,p}(p,q,x) = \neg p \lor \neg x \lor q
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- $\begin{array}{ll} \bullet \ I_{T_{\psi}}(p,q,x) = q \lor (p \land x) \\ 1: \ \{p,q,x\} \models I_{T_{\psi}} \\ 3: \ \{p,\neg q,x\} \models I_{T_{\psi}} \\ \mathcal{B}: \ \{\neg p,\neg q,x\} \not\models I_{T_{\psi}} \end{array}$
- $R_{T_{\psi}}(p, q, x, p', q', x') = x \leftrightarrow (q' \lor (p' \land x'))$ 1 \Rightarrow 1: $\{p, q, x, p', q', x'\} \models R_{T_{\psi}}$ 6 \Rightarrow 7: $\{p, q, \neg x, p', \neg q', \neg x'\} \models R_{T_{\psi}}$ 6 \Rightarrow 1: $\{p, q, \neg x, p', q', x'\} \not\models R_{T_{\psi}}$
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• I_{T_{\psi}}(p,q,x) = q \lor (p \land x)

1: \{p,q,x\} \models I_{T_{\psi}}

3: \{p,\neg q,x\} \models I_{T_{\psi}}

5: \{\neg p,\neg q,x\} \not\models I_{T_{\psi}}

• R_{T_{\psi}}(p,q,x,p',q',x') = x \leftrightarrow (q' \lor (p' \land x'))

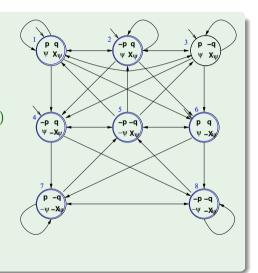
1 \Rightarrow 1: \{p,q,x,p',q',x'\} \models R_{T_{\psi}}

6 \Rightarrow 7: \{p,q,\neg x,p',\neg q',\neg x'\} \models R_{T_{\psi}}

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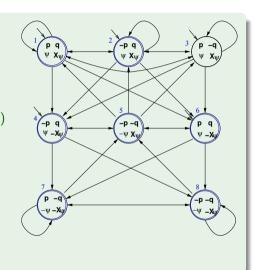
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1: \{p,q,x\} \models F_{T_{\psi}}
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 \bullet $I_{T_{ab}}(p,q,x) = q \vee (p \wedge x)$ 1: $\{p,q,x\} \models I_{T_{ab}}$ $3: \{p, \neg q, x\} \models I_{T_{ab}}$ $\mathcal{B}: \{\neg p, \neg q, x\} \not\models I_{T_{ab}}$ • $R_{T_{ab}}(p,q,x,p',q',x') = x \leftrightarrow (q' \vee (p' \wedge x'))$ $1 \Rightarrow 1 : \{p, q, x, p', q', x'\} \models R_{T_{ab}}$ $6 \Rightarrow 7: \{p, q, \neg x, p', \neg q', \neg x'\} \models R_{T_{ab}}$ $6 \Rightarrow 1 : \{p, q, \neg x, p', q', x'\} \not\models R_{T_{ab}}$ \bullet $F_{T_{ab}}(p,q,x) = \neg p \lor \neg x \lor q$ 1: $\{p,q,x\} \models F_{T_{ab}}$

5: $\{\neg p, \neg q, x\} \models F_{T_{\psi}}$ 3: $\{p, \neg q, x\} \not\models F_{T_{\psi}}$



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Computing the product $P := T_{\psi} \times M$

- Given $M := \langle S_M, I_M, R_M, L_M \rangle$ and $T_{\psi} := \langle S_{T_{\psi}}, I_{T_{\psi}}, R_{T_{\psi}}, L_{T_{\psi}}, F_{T_{\psi}} \rangle$, we compute the product $P := T_{\psi} \times M = \langle S, I, R, L, F \rangle$ as follows:
 - $S := \{(s,s') \mid s \in S_{T_{\psi}}, \ s' \in S_M \ and \ L_M(s')|_{\psi} \ = \ L_{T_{\psi}}(s)\}$
 - $I := \{(s, s') \mid s \in I_{T_{\psi}}, \ s' \in I_{M} \ \text{and} \ L_{M}(s')|_{\psi} = L_{T_{\psi}}(s)\}$
 - Given $(s,s'),(t,t')\in S,((s,s'),(t,t'))\in R$ iff $(s,t)\in R_{T_\psi}$ and $(s',t')\in R_M$
 - $\bullet \ \ L((s,s')) = L_{T_{\psi}}(s) \cup L_{M}(s')$
- Extension of sat() and F_{T_{st}} to P:

$$(s,s') \in sat(\psi) \iff s \in sat(\psi)$$

 $F := \{sat(\neg(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2) \lor \varphi_2) \ s.t. \ (\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2) \ occurs \ [positively] \ in \ \psi\}$

Computing the product $P := T_{\psi} \times M$ symbolically

Let V, W be the array of Boolean state variables of T_{ψ} and M respectively:

- Initial states: $I(V \cup W) = I_{T_{vb}}(V) \wedge I_M(W)$
- Transition Relation: $R(V \cup W, V' \cup W') = R_{T_{ab}}(V, V') \wedge R_M(W, W')$
- Fairness conditions: $\{F_1(V \cup W), ..., F_k(V \cup W)\} = \{F_{T_{\psi}1}(V), ..., F_{T_{\psi}k}(V)\}$

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Main theorem [Clarke, Grumberg & Hamaguchi; 94]

Theorem

THEOREM: $M.s' \models \mathbf{E}\psi$ iff there is a state s in T_{ψ} s.t. $(s,s') \in sat(\psi)$ and $T_{\psi} \times M, (s,s') \models \mathbf{E}\mathbf{G}true$ under the fairness conditions:

$$\{sat(\neg(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U}\varphi_2) \vee \varphi_2)\}$$
 s.t. $(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U}\varphi_2)$ occurs in $\psi\}$.

- \implies $M \models \mathbf{E}\psi$ iff $T_{\psi} \times M \models \mathbf{E}_f$ Gtrue
- \implies $M \models \neg \psi$ iff $T_{\psi} \times M \not\models \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{f}}\mathbf{G}$ true
 - LTL M.C. reduced to Fair CTL M.C.!!!
 - Symbolic OBDD-based techniques apply.

Note

The transition relation *R* of $T_{\psi} \times M$ may not be total.

 \Longrightarrow Check_FairEG does not need to consider states without successors, restricting R to the remaining states.

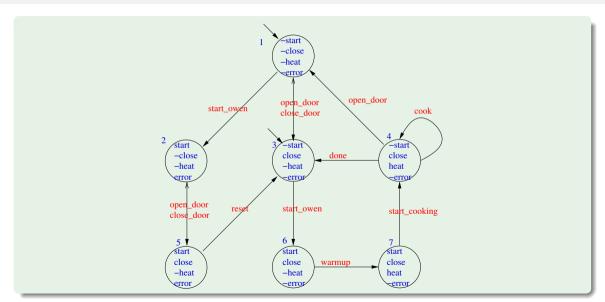
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A microwave oven

- 4 state variables: start, close, heat, error
- Actions (implicit): start_oven,open_door, close_door, reset, warmup, start_cooking, cook, done
- Error situation: if oven is started while the door is open
- Represented as a Kripke structure (and hence as a OBDD's)

A microwave oven [cont.]



A microwave oven: symbolic representation

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• Initial states: I_M(s, c, h, e) = \neg s \land \neg h \land \neg e
• Transition relation: R_M(s, c, h, e, s', c', h', e') = [a simplification of]
    \neg s \land \neg c \land \neg h \land \neg e \land \neg s' \land c' \land \neg h' \land \neg e') \lor (close door, no error)
       s \land \neg c \land \neg h \land e \land s' \land c' \land \neg h' \land e') \lor (close door, error)
    \neg s \land c \land \neg e \land \neg s' \land \neg c' \land \neg h' \land \neg e') \lor (open door, no error)
       s \land c \land \neg h \land e \land s' \land \neg c' \land \neg h' \land e') \lor (open door, error)
    \neg s \land c \land \neg h \land \neg e \land s' \land c' \land \neg h' \land \neg e') \lor (start oven, no error)
    \neg s \land \neg c \land \neg h \land \neg e \land s' \land \neg c' \land \neg h' \land e') \lor
                                                                            (start oven, error)
       s \land c \land \neg h \land e \land \neg s' \land c' \land \neg h' \land \neg e') \lor
                                                                            (reset)
       s \land c \land \neg h \land \neg e \land s' \land c' \land h' \land \neg e') \lor
                                                                            (warmup)
      s \wedge c \wedge h \wedge \neg e \wedge \neg s' \wedge c' \wedge h' \wedge \neg e') \vee
                                                                            (start cooking)
    \neg s \land c \land h \land \neg e \land \neg s' \land c' \land h' \land \neg e') \lor
                                                                            (cook)
    \neg s \land c \land h \land \neg e \land \neg s' \land c' \land \neg h' \land \neg e') \qquad (done)
   Note: the third row represents two transitions: 3 \rightarrow 1 and 4 \rightarrow 1.
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LTL Specification

• "necessarily, the oven's door eventually closes and, till there, the oven does not heat":

$$M \models \neg heat \mathbf{U} close$$
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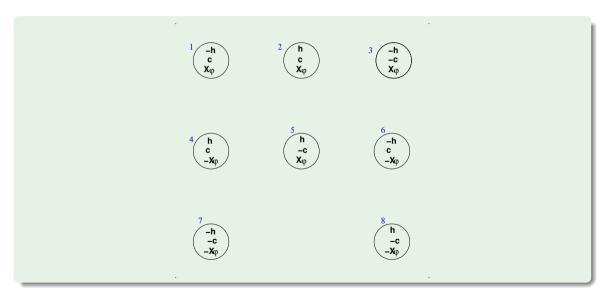
i.e.,

$$M \models \neg \mathbf{E} \neg (\neg heat \ \mathbf{U} \ close)$$

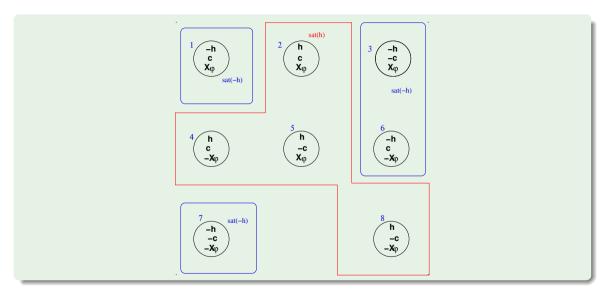
Tableau construction for $\psi = \neg(\neg heat \ \mathbf{U} \ close)$

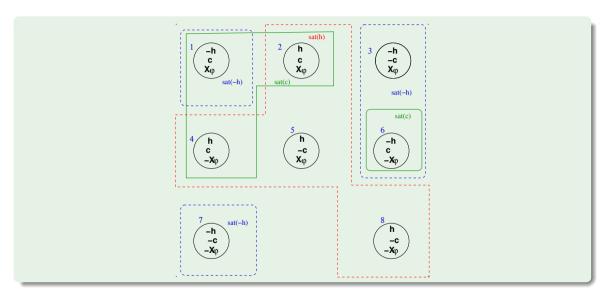
- $\varphi := \neg \psi = (\neg heat \ \mathbf{U} \ close)$
- $el(\psi) = el(\varphi) = \{heat, close, \mathbf{X}\varphi\} (\{h, c, \mathbf{X}\varphi\})$
- States:

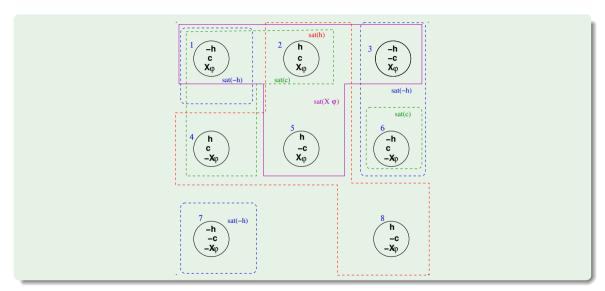
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{1} &:= \{\neg h, c, \mathbf{X}\varphi\}, \ \mathbf{2} := \{h, c, \mathbf{X}\varphi\}, \ \mathbf{3} := \{\neg h, \neg c, \mathbf{X}\varphi\}, \\ \mathbf{4} &:= \{h, c, \neg \mathbf{X}\varphi\}, \ \mathbf{5} := \{h, \neg c, \mathbf{X}\varphi\}, \ \mathbf{6} := \{\neg h, c, \neg \mathbf{X}\varphi\}, \\ \mathbf{7} &:= \{\neg h, \neg c, \neg \mathbf{X}\varphi\}, \ \mathbf{8} := \{h, \neg c, \neg \mathbf{X}\varphi\} \end{aligned}$$

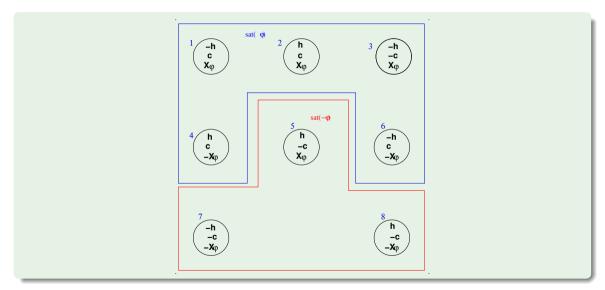


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States:
                                      1 := \{ \neg h, c, \mathbf{X} \varphi \}, \ 2 := \{ h, c, \mathbf{X} \varphi \}, \ 3 := \{ \neg h, \neg c, \mathbf{X} \varphi \},
                                      4 := \{h, c, \neg \mathbf{X}\varphi\}, \ 5 := \{h, \neg c, \mathbf{X}\varphi\}, \ 6 := \{\neg h, c, \neg \mathbf{X}\varphi\},\
                                      7 := \{\neg h, \neg c, \neg \mathbf{X} \varphi\}, \ 8 := \{h, \neg c, \neg \mathbf{X} \varphi\}
sat():
                                sat(h) = \{2, 4, 5, 8\} \implies sat(\neg h) = \{1, 3, 6, 7\}.
                                sat(c) = \{1, 2, 4, 6\} \implies sat(\neg c) = \{3, 5, 7, 8\}.
                                sat(\mathbf{X}\varphi) = \{1, 2, 3, 5\} \implies sat(\neg \mathbf{X}\varphi) = \{4, 6, 7, 8\}.
                                sat(\varphi) = sat(c) \cup (sat(\neg h) \cap sat(\mathbf{X}(\neg h \mathbf{U} c))) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}
                                \implies sat(\psi) = sat(\neg \varphi) = {5,7,8}
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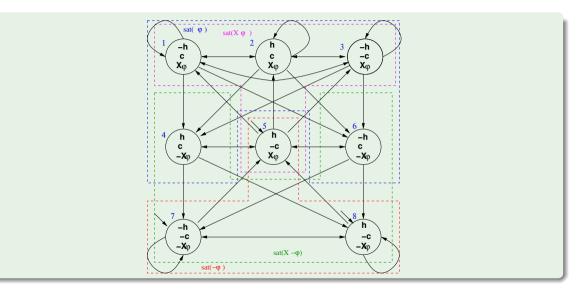


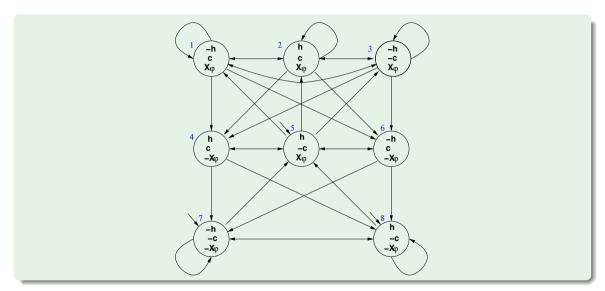




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• sat(h) = \{2,4,5,8\} \implies sat(\neg h) = \{1,3,6,7\},
sat(c) = \{1,2,4,6\} \implies sat(\neg c) = \{3,5,7,8\},
sat(\mathbf{X}\varphi) = \{1,2,3,5\} \implies sat(\neg \mathbf{X}\varphi) = \{4,6,7,8\},
sat(\varphi) = sat(c) \cup (sat(\neg h) \cap sat(\mathbf{X}(\neg h \cup c))) = \{1,2,3,4,6\}
• Initial states I: sat(\psi) = sat(\neg \varphi) = \{5,7,8\}
• Transition Relation R:
• add an edge from every state in sat(\mathbf{X}\varphi) to every state in sat(\varphi)
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• add an edge from every state in $sat(\neg X\varphi)$ to every state in $sat(\neg \varphi)$

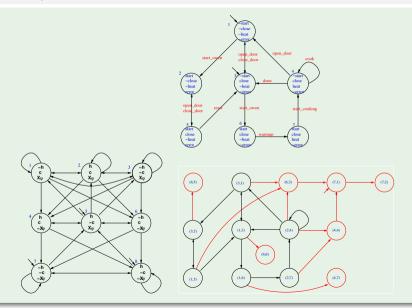




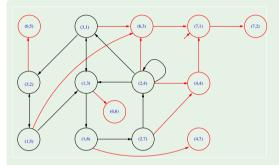
Symbolic representation of T_{ψ} , s.t. $\psi := \neg(\neg h \mathbf{U} c)$

- State variables: h, c and x and primed versions h', c' and x' [x is a Boolean label for $\mathbf{X}(\neg h\mathbf{U}c)$]
- Initial states: $I_{T_{\psi}} = sat(\psi)$ $\implies I(h, c, x) = \neg(c \lor (\neg h \land x))$
- Transition Relation: $R_{T_{\psi}} = \bigwedge_{\mathbf{X}\varphi_i \in el(\psi)} (sat(\mathbf{X}\varphi_i) \leftrightarrow sat'(\varphi_i))$ $\Longrightarrow R_{T_{\psi}}(h, c, x, h', c', x') = x \leftrightarrow (c' \lor (\neg h' \land x'))$
- Fairness Property: (due to negative polarity of $(\neg h \ \mathbf{U} c)$ in ψ): $F_{\mathcal{T}_{\psi}}(h,c,x) = \top$

Product $P = T_{\psi} \times M$



Product $P = T_{\psi} \times M$ [cont.]



- $P = T_{\psi} \times M$ (reachable states only)
- compute [EGtrue] (e.g. by Emerson-Lei):
 - \implies states (4,4), (4,7), (6,3), (6,5), (6,6), (7,1), (7,2) are not part of a (fair) infinite path
 - ⇒ no initial states in [EGtrue] ((7.1) has been removed).
 - $\implies T_{\psi} \times M \not\models \mathsf{EG}\mathit{true}$
 - ⇒ Property verified!
- N.B.: fairness condition ⊤ irrelevent here

Product $P = T_{\psi} \times M$: symbolic representation

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• Initial states: I(s,c,h,e,x) = (\neg s \land \neg h \land \neg e) \land \neg (c \lor (\neg h \land x)) = \neg s \land \neg h \land \neg e \land \neg c \land \neg x
• Transition relation: R(s, c, h, e, x, s', c', h', e', x') = (an OBDD for)
(x \leftrightarrow (c' \lor (\neg h' \land x'))) \land (
    \neg s \land \neg c \land \neg h \land \neg e \land \neg s' \land c' \land \neg h' \land \neg e') \lor (close door, no error)
       s \land \neg c \land \neg h \land e \land s' \land c' \land \neg h' \land e') \lor (close door, error)
    \neg s \land c \land \neg e \land \neg s' \land \neg c' \land \neg h' \land \neg e') \lor (open door, no error)
       s \land c \land \neg h \land e \land s' \land \neg c' \land \neg h' \land e') \lor (open door, error)
    \neg s \land c \land \neg h \land \neg e \land s' \land c' \land \neg h' \land \neg e') \lor (start oven, no error)
    \neg s \land \neg c \land \neg h \land \neg e \land s' \land \neg c' \land \neg h' \land e') \lor
                                                                              (start oven, error)
       s \land c \land \neg h \land e \land \neg s' \land c' \land \neg h' \land \neg e') \lor
                                                                              (reset)
       s \land c \land \neg h \land \neg e \land s' \land c' \land h' \land \neg e') \lor
                                                                              (warmup)
       s \land c \land h \land \neg e \land \neg s' \land c' \land h' \land \neg e') \lor
                                                                              (start cooking)
    \neg s \land c \land h \land \neg e \land \neg s' \land c' \land h' \land \neg e') \lor
                                                                              (cook)
    \neg s \land c \land h \land \neg e \land \neg s' \land c' \land \neg h' \land \neg e') \qquad (done)
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[**EG***true*]: symbolic representation

• Emerson-Lei returns (an OBDD equivalent to):

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EGtrue =
    \neg s \land \neg c \land \neg h \land \neg e \land x) \lor
                                                                                            (3,1)
     s \land \neg c \land \neg h \land e \land x) \lor
                                                                                            (3, 2)
  \neg s \land c \land \neg h \land \neg e \land x) \lor
                                                                                            (1,3)
   \neg s \land c \land h \land \neg e \land x) \lor
                                                                                            (2,4)
    s \land c \land \neg h \land e \land x) \lor
                                                                                            (1,5)
     s \land c \land \neg h \land \neg e \land x) \lor
                                                                                            (1,5)
      s \land c \land h \land \neg e \land x) \lor
                                                   (other unreachables states)
         . . .
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- Initial states: $I(s, c, h, e, x) = \neg s \land \neg h \land \neg e \land \neg c \land \neg x$
- \implies $I(s, c, h, e, x) \not\models$ **EG**true
- $\implies I \not\subseteq [\mathbf{EG}\mathit{true}]$
- $\implies T_{\psi} \times M \not\models \mathsf{EG}\mathit{true}$
- → Property verified!



The property verified is...

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Ex: Symbolic CTL Model Checking

Given the following finite state machine expressed in NuSMV input language:

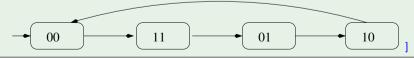
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MODULE main
VAR v1 : boolean; v2 : boolean;
INIT (!v1 & !v2)
TRANS (next(v1) <-> !v1) & (next(v2) <-> (v1<->v2))
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and consider the property $P \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (v_1 \wedge v_2)$. Write:

the Boolean formulas I(v₁, v₂) and T(v₁, v₂, v'₁, v'₂) representing respectively the initial states and the transition relation of M.

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[ Solution: I(v_1, v_2) is (\neg v_1 \land \neg v_2), T(v_1, v_2, v_1', v_2') is (v_1' \leftrightarrow \neg v_1) \land (v_2' \leftrightarrow (v_1 \leftrightarrow v_2)) ]
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• the graph representing the FSM. (Assume the notation " v_1v_2 " for labeling the states: e.g. "10" means " $v_1 = 1$, $v_2 = 0$ ".) [Solution:



Ex: Symbolic CTL Model Checking (cont.)

• the Boolean formula representing symbolically **EX***P*. [The formula must be computed symbolically, not simply inferred from the graph of the previous question!]

[Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \textbf{EX}(P) &= & \exists v_1', v_2'. (T(v_1, v_2, v_1', v_2') \land P(v_1', v_2')) \\ &= & \exists v_1', v_2'. ((v_1' \leftrightarrow \neg v_1) \land (v_2' \leftrightarrow (v_1 \leftrightarrow v_2)) \land \underbrace{(v_1' \land v_2')}_{\Rightarrow v_1' = \top, v_2' = \top}) \\ &= & \underbrace{(\neg v_1 \land \neg v_2)}_{(\neg v_1 \land \neg v_2)} \lor \bot \lor \bot \lor \bot \\ &= & (\neg v_1 \land \neg v_2) \end{aligned}$$

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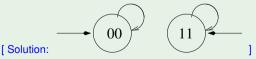
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VAR     v1 : boolean;    v2 : boolean;
INIT     init(v1) <-> init(v2)
TRANS     (v1 <-> next(v2)) & (v2 <-> next(v1));
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write:

the Boolean formulas I(v₁, v₂) and T(v₁, v₂, v'₁, v'₂) representing the initial states and the transition relation of M respectively.

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[ Solution: I(v_1, v_2) is (v_1 \leftrightarrow v_2), T(v_1, v_2, v_1', v_2') is (v_1 \leftrightarrow v_2') \land (v_2 \leftrightarrow v_1') ]
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• the graph representing the FSM. (Assume the notation " v_1v_2 " for labeling the states. E.g., "10" means " $v_1 = 1$, $v_2 = 0$ ".)

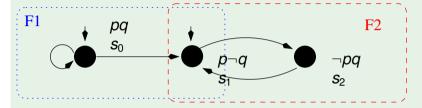


Ex: Symbolic CTL Model Checking (cont.)

• the Boolean formula $R^1(v'_1, v'_2)$ representing the set of states which can be reached after exactly 1 step. NOTE: this must be computed symbolically, not simply deduced from the graph of question b). [Solution:

Ex: Fair CTL Model Checking

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

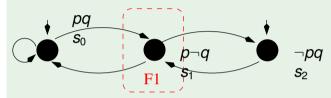


For each of the following facts, say if it is true or false in CTL.

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

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



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

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

Ex: Symbolic LTL Model Checking

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Given the following LTL formula: \varphi \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \neg ((\mathbf{GF}p \wedge \mathbf{GF}q) \to \mathbf{GF}r)
(a) Compute the Negative Normal Form of \varphi (NNF(\varphi)).
                       \varphi \iff \neg((\mathbf{GFp} \wedge \mathbf{GFq}) \to \mathbf{GFr})
                      \iff \neg(\neg(\mathsf{GF}p \land \mathsf{GF}q) \lor \mathsf{GF}r)
     [ Solution:
                           \iff (GFp \land GFq \land \cdot GFr)
                             \iff (GFp \land GFq \land FG\neg r) \iff NNF(\varphi)
(b) Compute the set of elementary subformulas of \varphi.
     [ Solution: First write the formula in terms of X and U's (write "F\psi" for "\topU\psi"):
                                                      \varphi \iff \neg((\mathsf{GF}p \land \mathsf{GF}q) \to \mathsf{GF}r)
                                                             \iff \neg((\neg F \neg Fp \land \neg F \neg Fq) \rightarrow \neg F \neg Fr)
     e((F \neg Fp) = \{XF \neg Fp\} \cup e((\neg Fp) = \{XF \neg Fp\} \cup \{XFp\} \cup e((p) = \{XF \neg Fp, XFp, p\}.
       Hence: el(\varphi) = el(\neg((\neg F \neg Fp \land \neg F \neg Fa) \rightarrow \neg F \neg Fr))
                             = el(F \neg Fp) \cup el(F \neg Fq) \cup el(F \neg Fr)
                             = \{XF \neg Fp, XFp, p, XF \neg Fa, XFa, a, XF \neg Fr, XFr, r\}
(c) What is the (maximum) number of states of a fair Kripke Model representing φ?
     [ Solution: By definition it is 2^{|el(\varphi)|} = 2^9 = 512. ]
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Ex: Symbolic LTL Model Checking

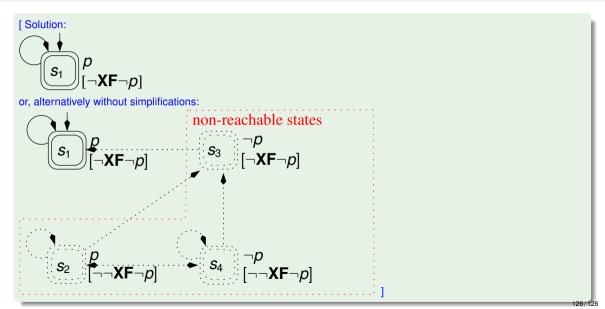
Given the following LTL formula $\psi \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \neg \mathbf{F} \neg p$, compute and draw the tableau \mathcal{T}_{ψ} of ψ . [Solution:

(i) The set of elementary subformulas of ψ is $el(\psi) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{p, XF \neg p\}$. Hence, the set of states is

$$\{s_1:(\rho,\neg \textbf{XF}\neg \rho),\ s_2:(\rho,\textbf{XF}\neg \rho),\ s_3:(\neg \rho,\neg \textbf{XF}\neg \rho),\ s_4:(\neg \rho,\textbf{XF}\neg \rho)\}$$

- (ii) The set of initial states of \mathcal{T}_{ψ} is $sat(\psi) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} S \setminus (sat(\neg p) \cup sat(\mathbf{XF} \neg p)) = \{s_1\}.$
- (iii) Since s_1 is the only state in $sat(\neg F \neg p)$, then s_1 is the only successor of itself, so that the only relevant transition is a self-loop over s_1 .
 - (One can also —un-necessarily— draw all transitions from states where $\neg XF \neg p$ holds into $\{s_1\}$ and from from states where $XF \neg p$ holds into $\{s_2, s_3, s_4\}$.)
- (iv) There is one **U**-subformula, $\mathbf{F} \neg p$, so that there is one fairness condition defined as $sat(\neg \mathbf{F} \neg p \lor \neg p)$. Since $\mathbf{F} \neg p$ is false in s_1 , then s_1 is part of the fairness condition. [Alternatively: there is no positive **U**-subformula, so that we must add a **AGAF** \top fairness condition, which is equivalent to say that all states belong to the fairness condition.]

Ex: Symbolic LTL Model Checking (cont.)



Ex: Symbolic LTL Model Checking

Given the following LTL formula $\psi \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{G} \rho$, compute and draw the tableau \mathcal{T}_{ψ} of ψ . [Without converting anything into \mathbf{X} , \mathbf{U}]. [Solution:

(i) The set of elementary subformulas of ψ is $el(\psi) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{p, \mathbf{XGp}\}$. Hence, the set of states is

$$\{s_1:(p,\mathbf{XG}p),\ s_2:(p,\neg\mathbf{XG}p),\ s_3:(\neg p,\mathbf{XG}p),\ s_4:(\neg p,\neg\mathbf{XG}p)\}$$

- (ii) The set of initial states of \mathcal{T}_{ψ} is $sat(\psi) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} sat(p) \cap sat(\mathbf{XG}p) = \{s_1\}.$
- (iii) Since s_1 is the only state in $sat(\mathbf{G}p)$, then s_1 is the only successor of itself, so that the only relevant transition is a self-loop over s_1 .
 - (One can also —un-necessarily— draw all transitions from states where $\mathbf{XG}p$ holds into $\{s_1\}$ and from from states where $\neg \mathbf{XG}p$ holds into $\{s_2, s_3, s_4\}$.)
- (iv) Since there is no "U" subformula, we must add a AGAF⊤ fairness condition, which is equivalent to say that all states belong to the fairness condition.

Ex: Symbolic LTL Model Checking (cont.)

