

# 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  $\implies$  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  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5$ :  
 $\{00000, 00001, 00010, 00011, 00100, 00101, 00110, 00111, \dots, 01111\}$  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  $(\neg x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge \neg x_3 \wedge \neg x_4)$
  - 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  $Q$   
 $\implies$  Typically  $Q$  can be encoded by much smaller formulas than  $\bigvee_{s \in Q} \xi(s)$ !
- Example:  $Q = \{ 00000, 00001, 00010, 00011, 00100, 00101, 00110, 00111, \dots, 01111 \}$   
represented as “first bit false”:  $\neg x_1$

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

# Symbolic Representation of Set Operators

One-to-one correspondence between sets and Boolean operators

- Set of all the states:  $\xi(S) := \top$
- Empty set :  $\xi(\emptyset) := \perp$
- 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:

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

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

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

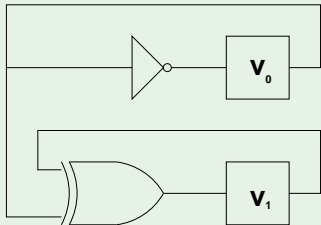
## Example: a simple counter

```
MODULE main
  VAR
    v0      : boolean;
    v1      : boolean;
    out     : 0..3;

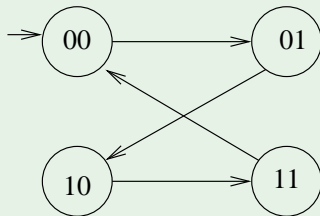
  ASSIGN
    init(v0) := 0;
    next(v0) := !v0;

    init(v1) := 0;
    next(v1) := (v0 xor v1);

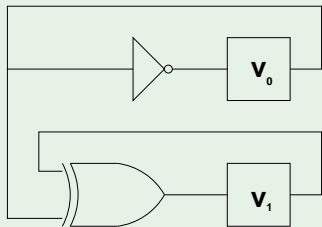
    out := toint(v0) + 2*toint(v1);
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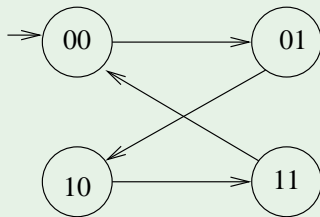
$v_1$	$v_0$	$v_1'$	$v_0'$
0	0	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0



## Example: a simple counter [cont.]



$v_1$	$v_0$	$v_1'$	$v_0'$
0	0	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0

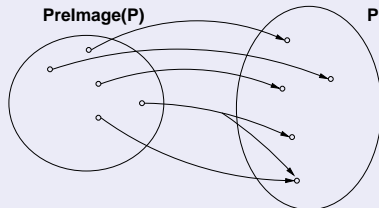


$$\xi(R) = (v_0' \leftrightarrow \neg v_0) \wedge (v_1' \leftrightarrow v_0 \oplus v_1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bigvee_{(s,s') \in R} \xi(s) \wedge \xi(s') = & (\neg v_1 \wedge \neg v_0 \wedge \neg v_1' \wedge v_0') \vee \\ & (\neg v_1 \wedge v_0 \wedge v_1' \wedge \neg v_0') \vee \\ & (v_1 \wedge \neg v_0 \wedge v_1' \wedge v_0') \vee \\ & (v_1 \wedge v_0 \wedge \neg v_1' \wedge \neg v_0') \end{aligned}$$

# Pre-Image

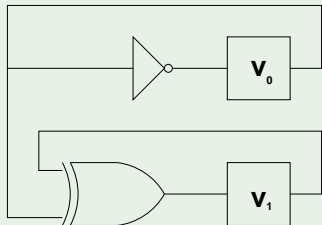
- (Backward) **pre-image** of a set of states:



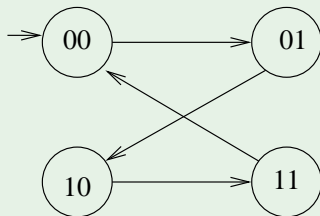
Evaluate one-shot all transitions ending in the states of the set

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

# Example: simple counter



$v_1$	$v_0$	$v'_1$	$v'_0$
0	0	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0



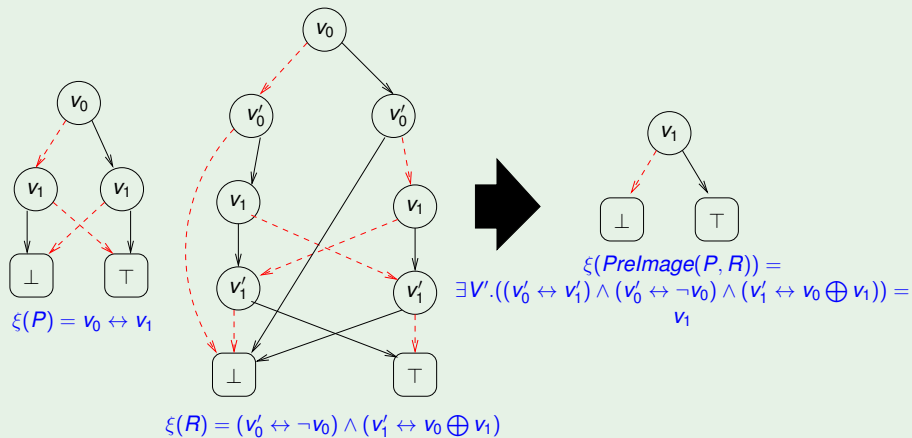
$$\xi(R) = (v'_0 \leftrightarrow \neg v_0) \wedge (v'_1 \leftrightarrow v_0 \oplus v_1)$$

$$\xi(P) := (v_0 \leftrightarrow v_1) \text{ (i.e., } P = \{00, 11\})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \xi(\text{PreImage}(P, R)) &= \\ \exists V'. (\xi(P)[V'] \wedge \xi(R)[V, V']) &= \\ \exists v'_0 v'_1. ((v'_0 \leftrightarrow v'_1) \wedge (v'_0 \leftrightarrow \neg v_0) \wedge (v'_1 \leftrightarrow v_0 \oplus v_1)) &= \\ \underbrace{(\neg v_0 \wedge v_0 \oplus v_1)}_{v'_0=T, v'_1=T} \vee \underbrace{\perp}_{v'_0=T, v'_1=\perp} \vee \underbrace{\perp}_{v'_0=\perp, v'_1=T} \vee \underbrace{(v_0 \wedge \neg(v_0 \oplus v_1))}_{v'_0=\perp, v'_1=\perp} &= \\ v_1 \text{ (i.e., } \{10, 11\}) & \end{aligned}$$

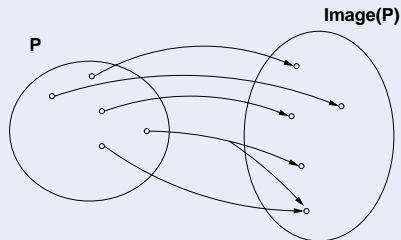


# Pre-Image [cont.]



# Forward Image

- Forward image of a set:



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

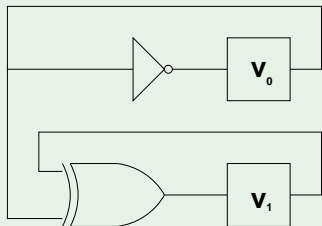
- Set theoretic view:

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

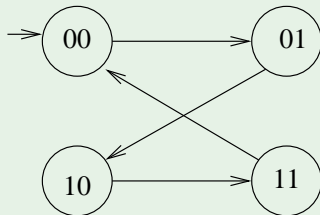
- Logical Characterization:

$$\xi(\text{Image}(P, R)) := \exists V. (\xi(P)[V] \wedge \xi(R)[V, V'])$$

## Example: simple counter



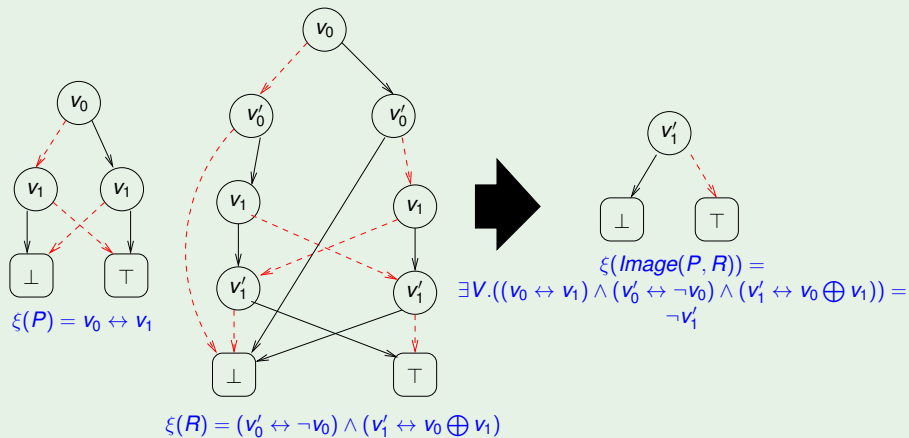
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0	1	1	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0



$$\xi(R) = (v'_0 \leftrightarrow \neg v_0) \wedge (v'_1 \leftrightarrow v_0 \oplus v_1)$$
$$\xi(P) := (v_0 \leftrightarrow v_1) \text{ (i.e., } P = \{00, 11\})$$

$$\begin{aligned}\xi(\text{Image}(P, R)) &= \exists V. (\xi(P)[V] \wedge \xi(R)[V, V']) \\ &= \exists V. ((v_0 \leftrightarrow v_1) \wedge (v'_0 \leftrightarrow \neg v_0) \wedge (v'_1 \leftrightarrow v_0 \oplus v_1)) \\ &= \dots \\ &= \neg v'_1 \quad (\text{i.e., } \{00, 01\})\end{aligned}$$

# 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.  $F(V) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{F_1(V), \dots, F_k(V)\}$  (see next section)

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**STATE-SET** Check(CTL\_formula  $\beta$ ) {

**case**  $\beta$  **of**

$\top$ :           **return**  $S$ ;

$\perp$ :           **return**  $\emptyset$ ;

$\neg\beta_1$ :       **return**  $S \setminus \text{Check}(\beta_1)$ ;

$\beta_1 \wedge \beta_2$ :   **return**  $(\text{Check}(\beta_1) \cap \text{Check}(\beta_2))$ ;

**EX** $\beta_1$ :       **return**  $\text{PreImage}(\text{Check}(\beta_1))$ ;

**EG** $\beta_1$ :       **return**  $\text{Check\_EG}(\text{Check}(\beta_1))$ ;

**E**( $\beta_1$  **U**  $\beta_2$ ): **return**  $\text{Check\_EU}(\text{Check}(\beta_1), \text{Check}(\beta_2))$ ;

}

# General Symbolic CTL MC Procedure

```
OBDD    Check(CTL_formula  $\beta$ ) {  
  if (In_OBDD_Hash( $\beta$ )) return OBDD_Get_From_Hash( $\beta$ );  
  case  $\beta$  of  
     $\top$ :          return obdd_true;  
     $\perp$ :          return obdd_false;  
     $\neg\beta_1$ :      return  $\neg$  Check( $\beta_1$ );  
     $\beta_1 \wedge \beta_2$ : return (Check( $\beta_1$ )  $\wedge$  Check( $\beta_2$ ));  
    EX $\beta_1$ :      return PreImage(Check( $\beta_1$ ));  
    EG $\beta_1$ :      return Check_EG(Check( $\beta_1$ ));  
    E( $\beta_1$  U  $\beta_2$ ): return Check_EU(Check( $\beta_1$ ), Check( $\beta_2$ ));  
  }
```



Some primitive functions from CLT Model Checking:

- **Symbolic Check\_EX( $\phi$ ):**  
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  $\phi$  holds)
- **Symbolic Check\_EG( $\phi$ ):**  
returns an OBDD representing the set of states from which a path verifying  $\mathbf{G}\phi$  holds
- **Symbolic Check\_EU( $\phi_1, \phi_2$ ):**  
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 | for some  $s' \in X, (s, s') \in R$ };
```

## Symbolic

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

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  $\wedge$  Check_EX(Y);
  until (Y'  $\leftrightarrow$  Y);
  return Y;
```

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

# Check\_EU

## Explicit-State

```
State Set Check_EU(State Set  $X_1, X_2$ )  
   $Y' := X_2$ ;  
  repeat  
     $Y := Y'$ ;  
     $Y' := Y \cup (X_1 \cap \text{Check\_EX}(Y))$ ;  
  until ( $Y' = Y$ );  
return  $Y$ ;
```

## Symbolic

```
OBDD Check_EU(OBDD  $X_1, X_2$ )  
   $Y' := X_2$ ;  
  repeat  
     $Y := Y'$ ;  
     $Y' := Y \vee (X_1 \wedge \text{Check\_EX}(Y))$ ;  
  until ( $Y' \leftrightarrow Y$ );  
return  $Y$ ;
```

Hint (tableaux rule):  $s \models \mathbf{E}(\phi_1 \mathbf{U} \phi_2)$  if  $s \models \phi_2 \vee (\phi_1 \wedge \mathbf{EXE}(\phi_1 \mathbf{U} \phi_2))$

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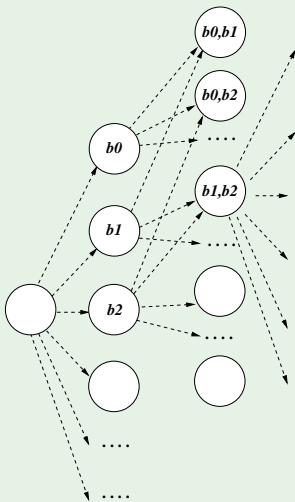
# A simple example

```
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  $b_0, b_1, \dots$
- 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



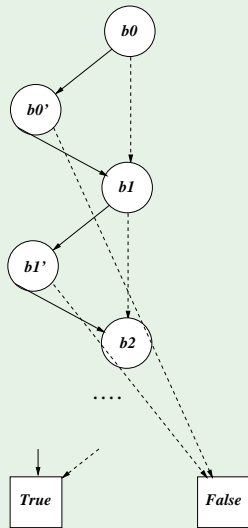
(transitive transitions omitted)

$2^N$  STATES

$O(2^N)$  TRANSITIONS

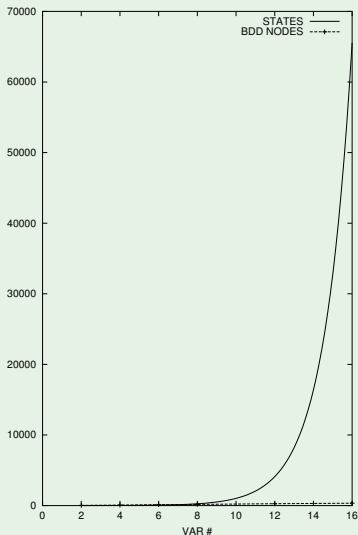
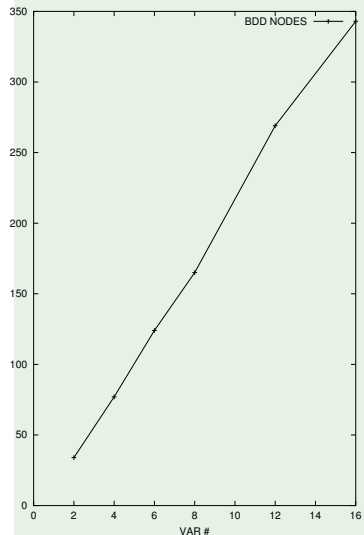


# A simple example: $OBDD(\xi(R))$



$2N + 2$  NODES

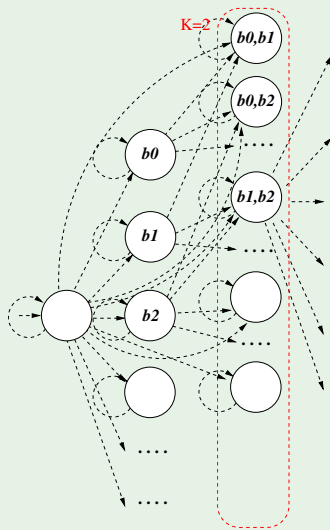
# A simple example: states vs. OBDD nodes [NuSMV.2]



## A simple example: reaching $K$ bits true

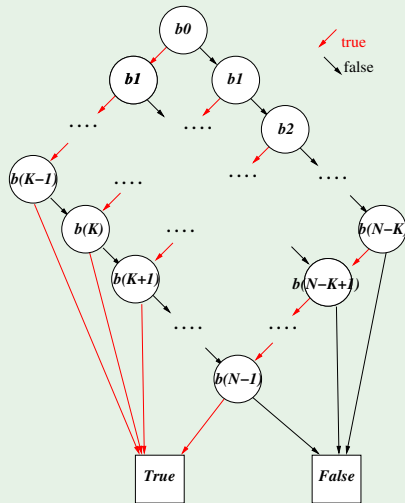
- Property  $\mathbf{EF}(b_0 + b_1 + \dots + b_{(N-1)} \geq K)$  ( $K \leq N$ )  
(it may be reached a state in which  $K$  bits are true)
- E.g.: “it is reachable a state where  $K$  exams are passed”

# A simple example: FSM



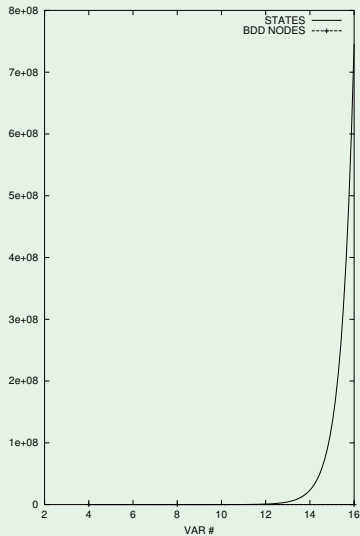
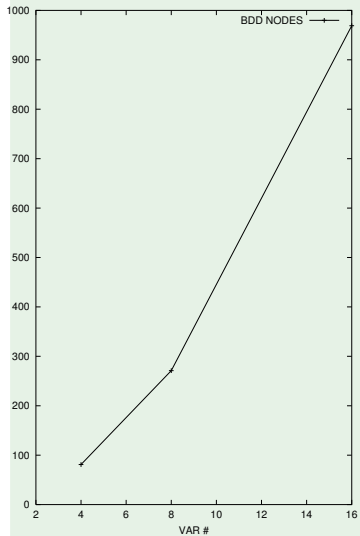
$$\binom{N}{K} + \binom{N}{K+1} + \dots + \binom{N}{N}$$

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



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

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



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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

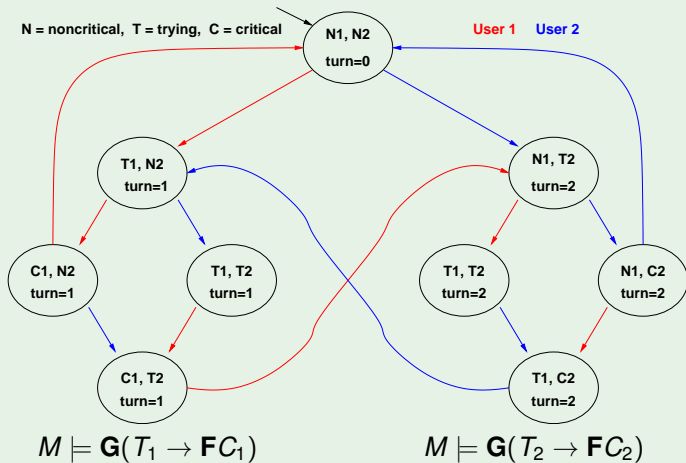
⇒ It is reasonable enough to assume the protocol suitable under the condition that each user is **infinitely often** outside the restroom

- Such a condition is called **fairness condition**

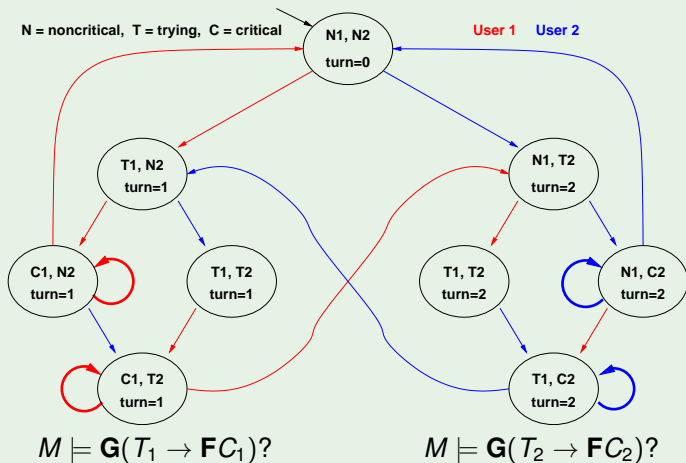
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- Consider a variant of the mutual exclusion in which one process can stay permanently in the critical zone
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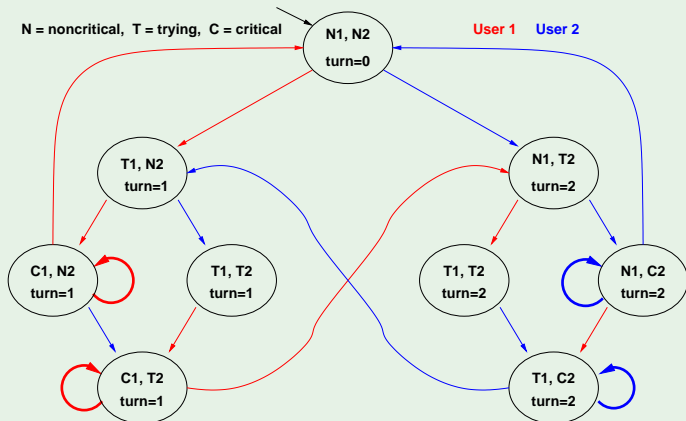
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$G(T_1 \rightarrow FC_1)?$

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

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

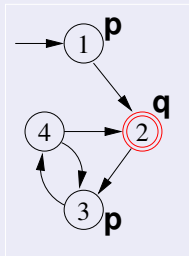
# Fairness Conditions

- It is desirable that certain (typically Boolean) conditions  $\varphi$ 's hold infinitely often: **GF** $\varphi$
- **GF** $\varphi$  is called **fairness condition**
- Intuitively, fairness conditions are used to eliminate behaviours in which a certain condition  $\varphi$  never holds:  
**GF** $\varphi$ : "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:  
**GF** $\neg C_1$
- A fair condition  $\varphi_i$  can be represented also by the set  $f_i$  of states where  $\varphi_i$  holds  
( $f_i := \{s : \pi, s \models \varphi_i, \text{ for each } \pi \in M\}$ )

# 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  $L : S \mapsto 2^{AP}$ ;
- 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**  $\pi$ : at least one state for each  $f_i$  occurs infinitely often in  $\pi$   
( $\varphi_i$  holds infinitely often in  $\pi$ :  $\pi \models \mathbf{GF}\varphi_i$ )
  - 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
- Note: fair state  $\neq$  state belonging to a fairness condition

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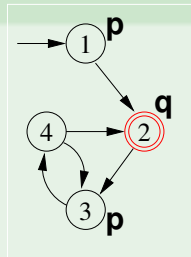
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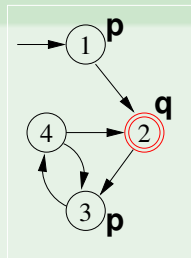
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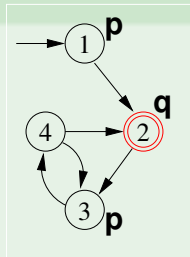
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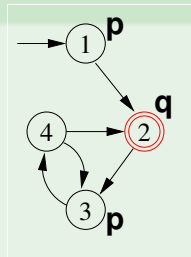
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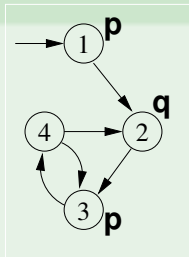
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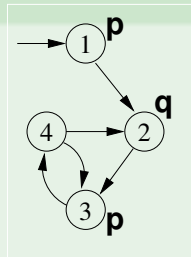
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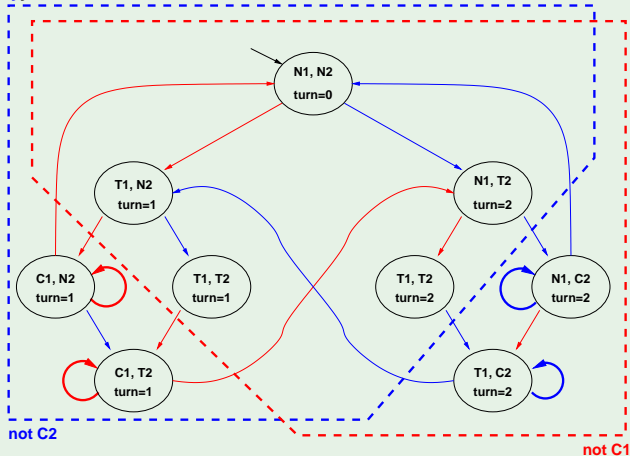
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# Fair CTL Model Checking: Example

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



$M_F \models \mathbf{G}(T_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{F}C_1)?$

$M_F \models \mathbf{G}(T_2 \rightarrow \mathbf{F}C_2)?$

**YES:** every fair path satisfies the conditions

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

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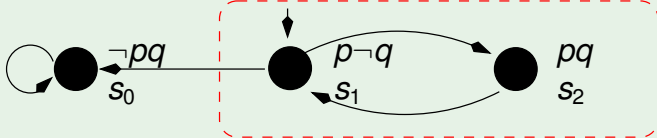
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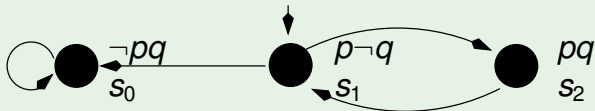
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[Example provided by the student Davide Kirchner, 2014]

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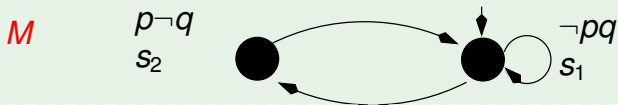
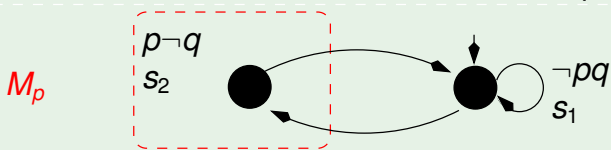
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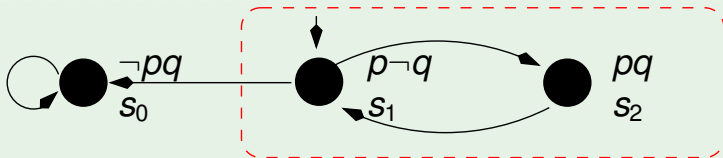
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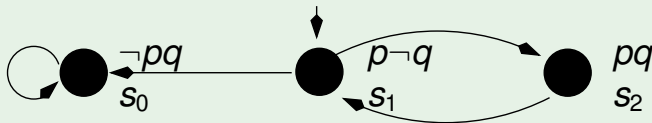
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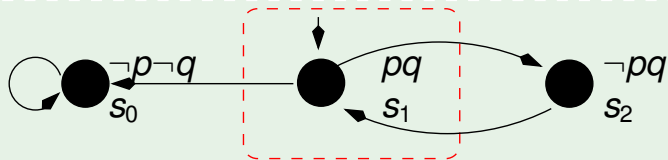
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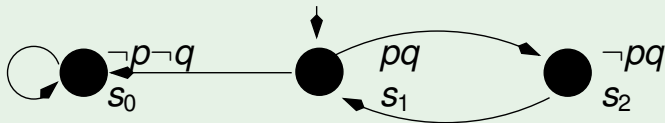
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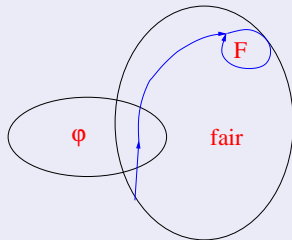
# Fair CTL Model Checking

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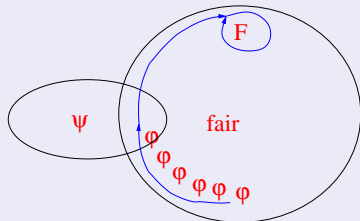


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# Language-Emptiness Checking for Fair Kripke Models

## Fair\_CheckEG

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## Symbolic Fair\_CheckEG

Given: the symbolic representation of a fair Kripke model  $M_F := \langle I, R, F \rangle$   
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## Ingredients (from CTL Model Checking)

Some primitive functions from CTL Model Checking:

- **Symbolic Check\_EX( $\phi$ )**: returns **an OBDD representing** the set of states from which a path verifying **X $\phi$**  holds  
(i.e., the **symbolic** preimage of the set of states where  $\phi$  holds)
- **Symbolic Check\_EG( $\phi$ )**: returns **an OBDD representing** the set of states from which a path verifying **G $\phi$**  holds
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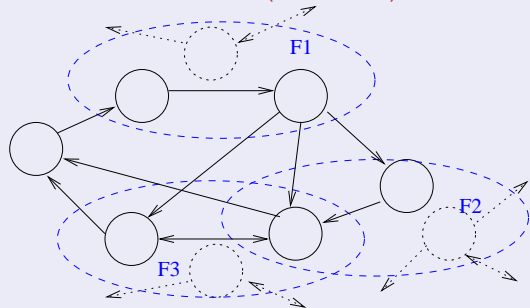
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# SCC-based Check\_FairEG

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

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



## SCC-based Check\_FairEG (cont.)

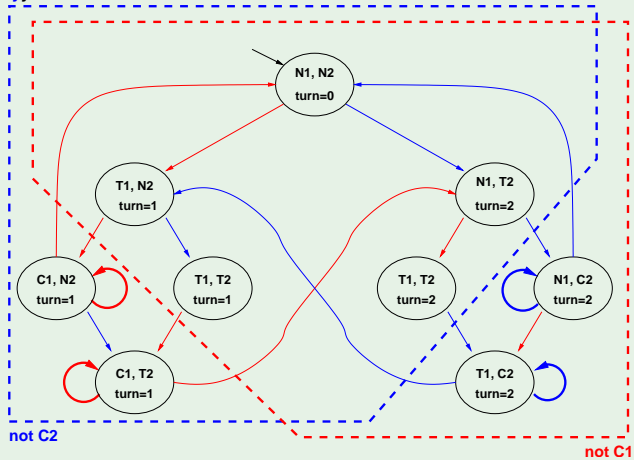
`Check_FairEG( $[\phi]$ ):`

- (i) restrict the graph of  $M$  to  $[\phi]$ ;
- (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( $[\phi]$ ,  $C$ )`).

$[\phi]$ : set of states where  $\phi$  holds (aka **denotation** of  $\phi$ )

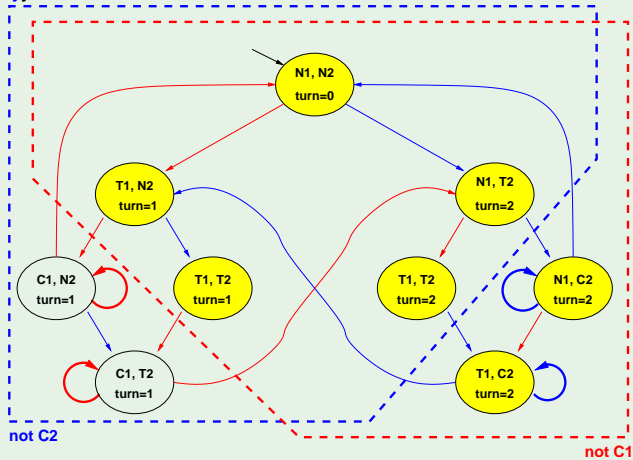
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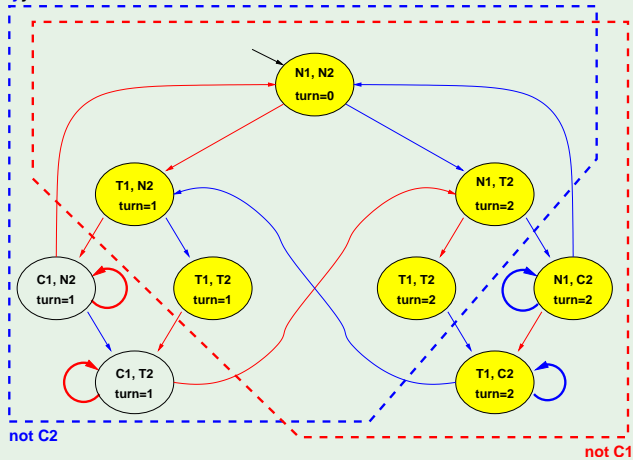


Check\_FairEG( $\neg C_1$ ): 1. compute  $[\neg C_1]$



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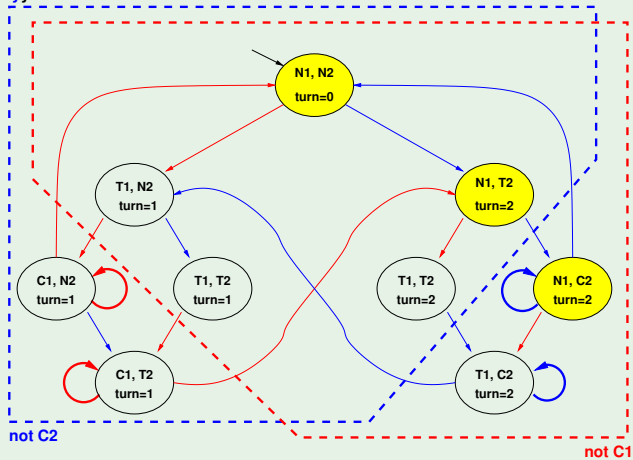


Check\_FairEG( $\neg C1$ ): 2. restrict the graph to  $[\neg C1]$



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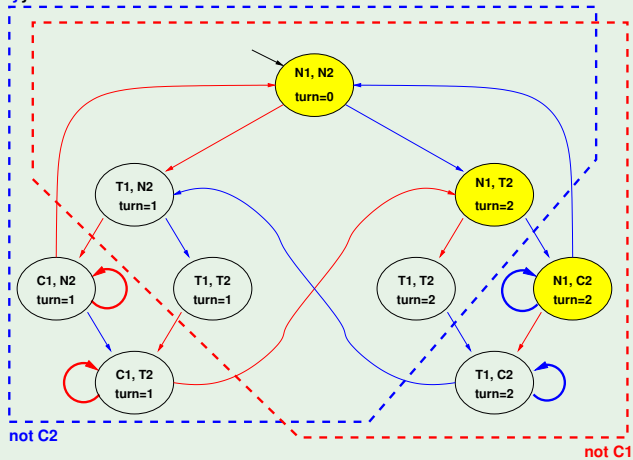
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Check\_FairEG( $\neg C_1$ ): 4. build the union  $C$  of all SCC's

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Check\_FairEG( $\neg C1$ ): 5. compute the states which can reach it

## 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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# Emerson-Lei Algorithm

## Fixpoint characterization of **EG** and fair **EG**

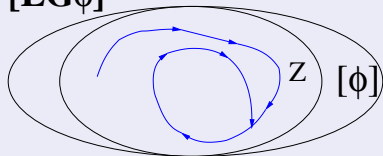
" $[\phi]$ " denotes the set of states where  $\phi$  holds

- Theorem (Emerson & Clarke):  $[EG\phi] = \nu Z.([\phi] \cap [EXZ])$   
*The greatest set Z s.t. every state z in Z satisfies  $\phi$  and reaches another state in Z in one step.*

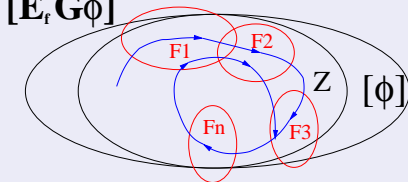
We can characterize fair **EG** (aka "**E<sub>f</sub>G**") similarly:

- Theorem (Emerson & Lei):  $[E_fG\phi] = \nu Z.([\phi] \cap \bigcap_{F_i \in FT} [EX E(ZU(Z \cap F_i))])$   
*The greatest set Z s.t. every state z in Z satisfies  $\phi$  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.*

$[EG\phi]$



$[E_fG\phi]$



# Emerson-Lei Algorithm

Recall:  $[E_f G \phi] = \nu Z.([\phi] \cap \bigcap_{F_i \in FT} [EX E(ZU(Z \cap F_i))])$

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state_set Check_FairEG(state_set [ $\phi$ ]) {  
   $Z' := [\phi]$ ;  
  repeat  
     $Z := Z'$  ;  
    for each  $F_i$  in FT  
       $Y := \text{Check\_EU}(Z, F_i \cap Z)$  ;  
       $Z' := Z' \cap \text{PreImage}(Y)$  ;  
    end for ;  
  until ( $Z' = Z$ ) ;  
  return  $Z$  ;  
}
```

Implementation of the above formula



# Emerson-Lei Algorithm

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Slight improvement: do not consider states in  $Z \setminus Z'$

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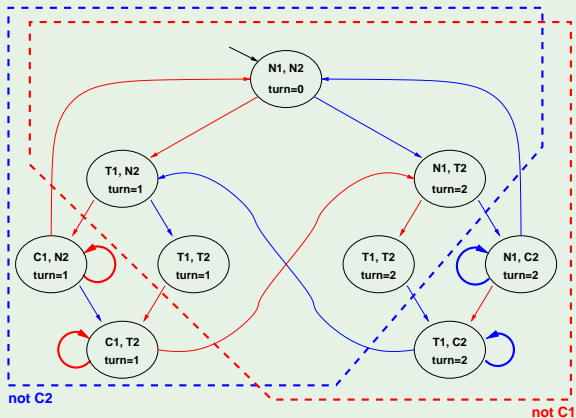
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Symbolic version.

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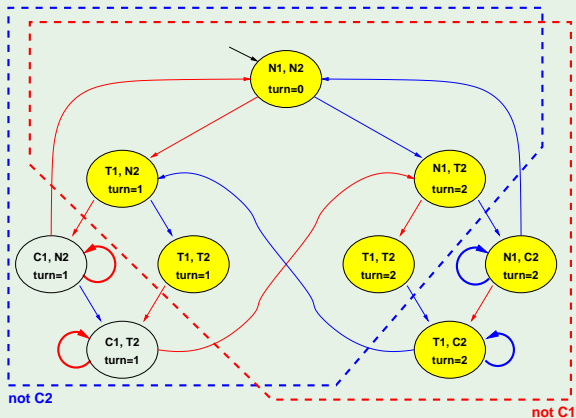


$E_f G \neg C_1$

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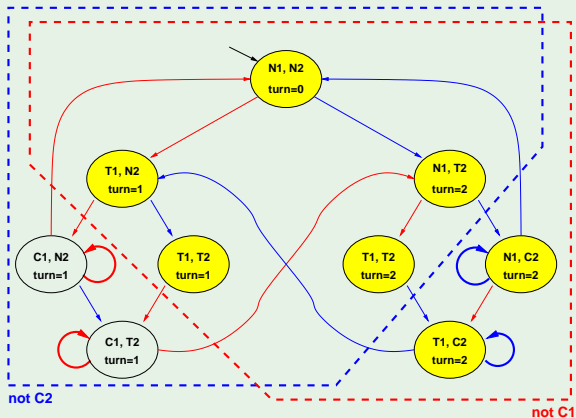


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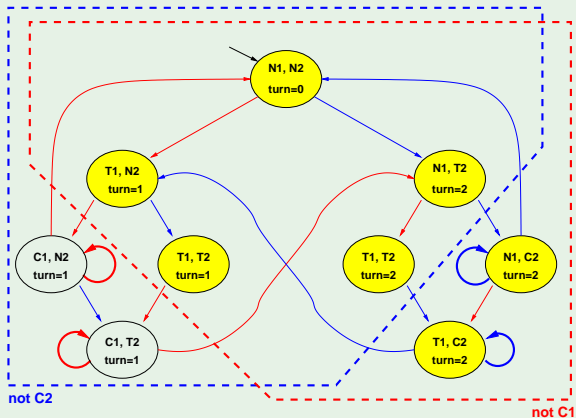
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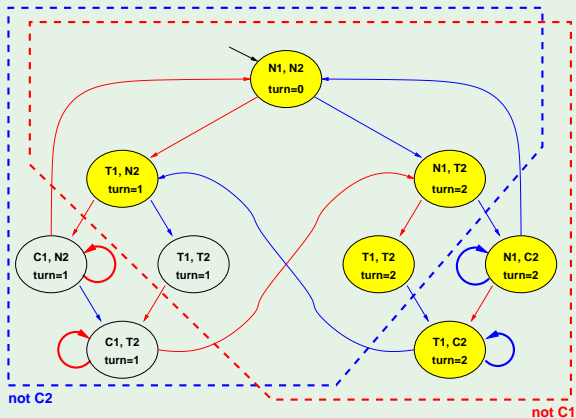
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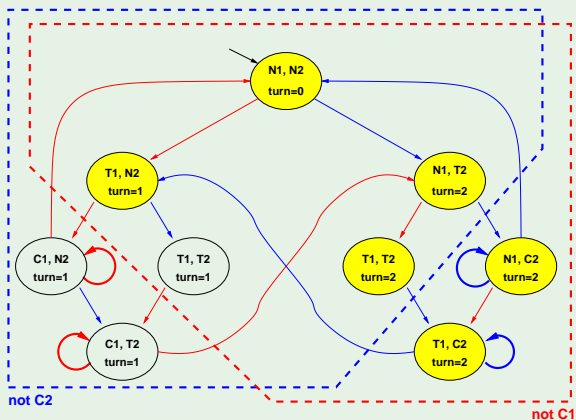
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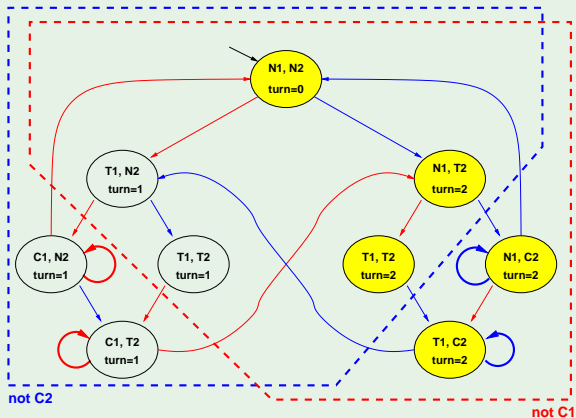
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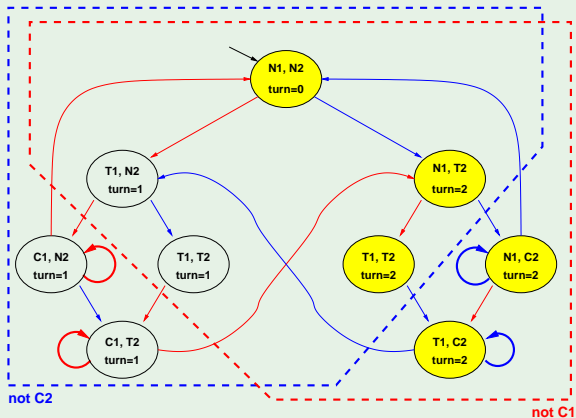
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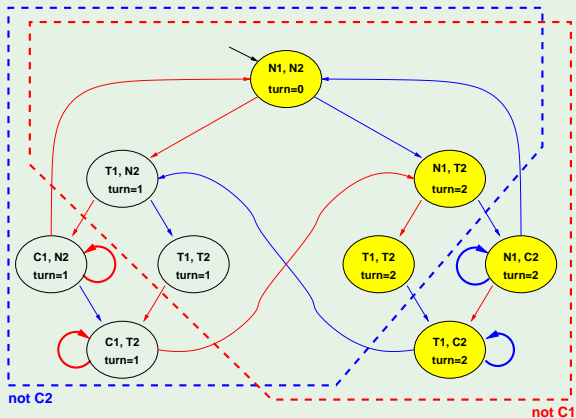
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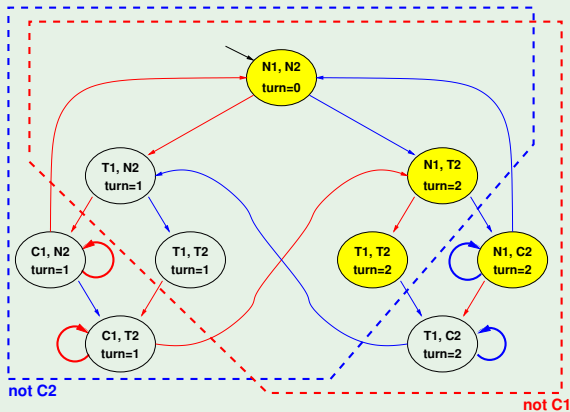
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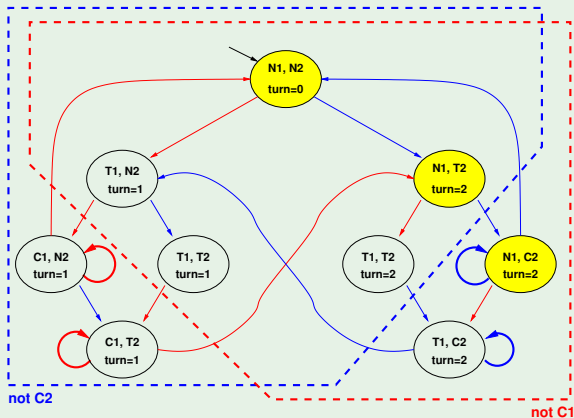
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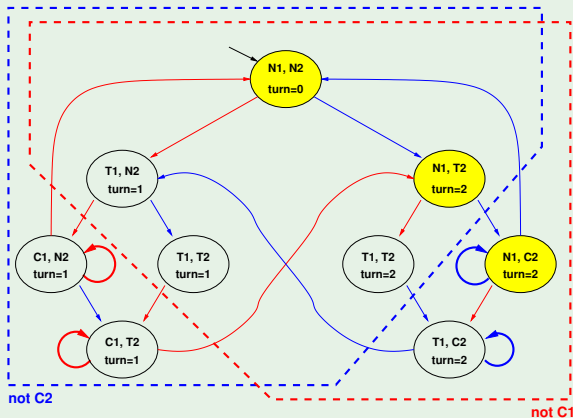
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# Symbolic LTL Satisfiability and Entailment

## LTL Validity/Satisfiability

- Let  $\psi$  be an LTL formula

$$\models \psi \quad (\text{LTL})$$

$$\iff \neg\psi \text{ unsat}$$

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## LTL Entailment

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$$\models \varphi \rightarrow \psi \quad (\text{LTL})$$

$$\iff \varphi \wedge \neg\psi \text{ unsat}$$

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# Symbolic LTL Model Checking

## LTL Model Checking

- Let  $M$  be a Kripke model and  $\psi$  be an LTL formula

$$M \models \psi \quad (\text{LTL})$$

$$\iff \mathcal{L}(M) \subseteq \mathcal{L}(\psi)$$

$$\iff \mathcal{L}(M) \cap \overline{\mathcal{L}(\psi)} = \emptyset$$

$$\iff \mathcal{L}(M) \cap \mathcal{L}(\neg\psi) = \emptyset$$

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# Symbolic LTL Model Checking

## Three steps

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

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# The Set of States

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

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

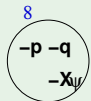
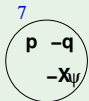
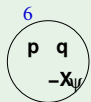
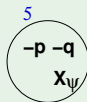
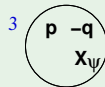
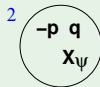
- $el(p\mathbf{U}q) = el((q \vee (p \wedge \mathbf{X}(p\mathbf{U}q))) = \{p, q, \mathbf{X}(p\mathbf{U}q)\}$

$$\implies S_{T_\psi} = \{$$

- |     |  |                       |
|-----|--|-----------------------|
| 1 : | $\{p, q, \mathbf{X}(p\mathbf{U}q)\},$              | $[p\mathbf{U}q]$      |
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# sat()

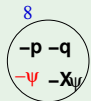
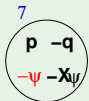
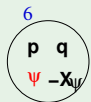
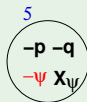
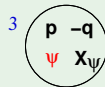
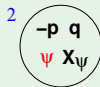
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  - $sat(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2) := sat(\varphi_2) \cup (sat(\varphi_1) \cap sat(\mathbf{X}(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2)))$
- intuition:  $sat()$  establishes in which states subformulas are true

## 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**”, “ $\varphi_1 \mathbf{W} \varphi_2$ ”):  
a path where  $\varphi_1$  is always true and  $\varphi_2$  is always false satisfies it



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# Initial States and Transition Relation

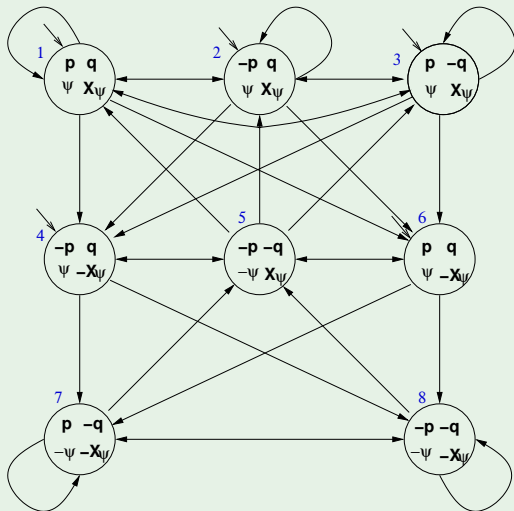
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- Intuition:  $sat()$  establishes in which states subformulas are true
- The set of initial states  $I_{T_\psi}$  is defined as

$$I_{T_\psi} = sat(\psi)$$

- 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.]



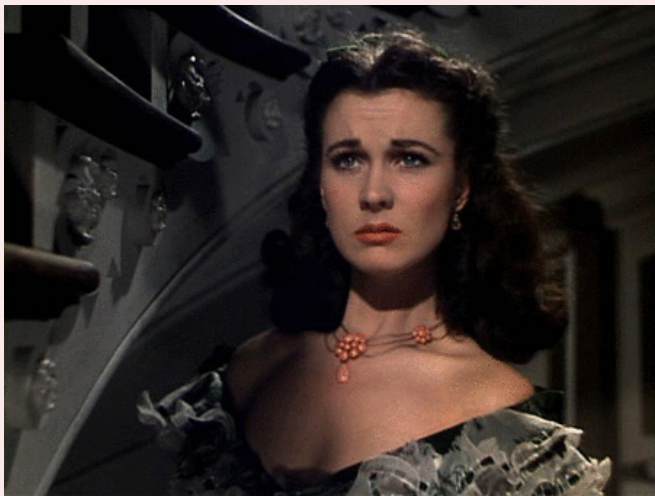
## Problems with **U**-subformulas

- $R_{T_\psi}$  does not guarantee that the **U**-subformulas are fulfilled
- Example: state 3  $\{p, \neg q, \mathbf{X}(p\mathbf{U}q)\}$ :  
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.

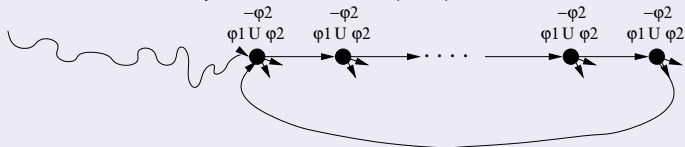
## Tableaux Rules: a Quote



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

# Fairness conditions for every **U**-subformula

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



$\Rightarrow$  For every [positive] **U**-subformula  $\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2$  of  $\psi$ , we must add a **fairness LTL condition**  $\mathbf{GF}(\neg(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2) \vee \varphi_2)$

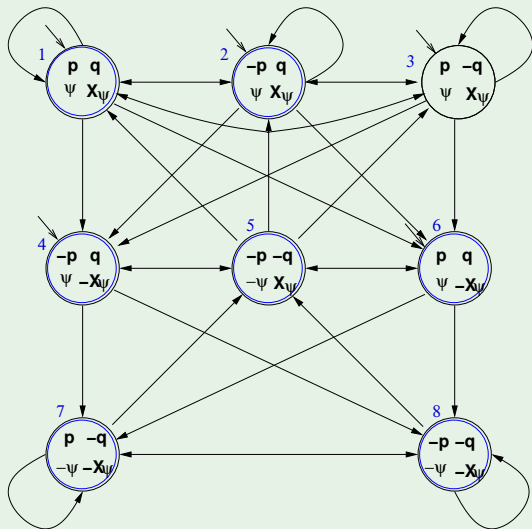
If no [positive] **U**-subformulas, then add one fairness condition  $\mathbf{GF}\top$ .

$\Rightarrow$  We restrict the admissible paths of  $T_\psi$  to those which verify the fairness condition:

$$T_\psi := \langle S_{T_\psi}, I_{T_\psi}, R_{T_\psi}, L_{T_\psi}, F_{T_\psi} \rangle$$

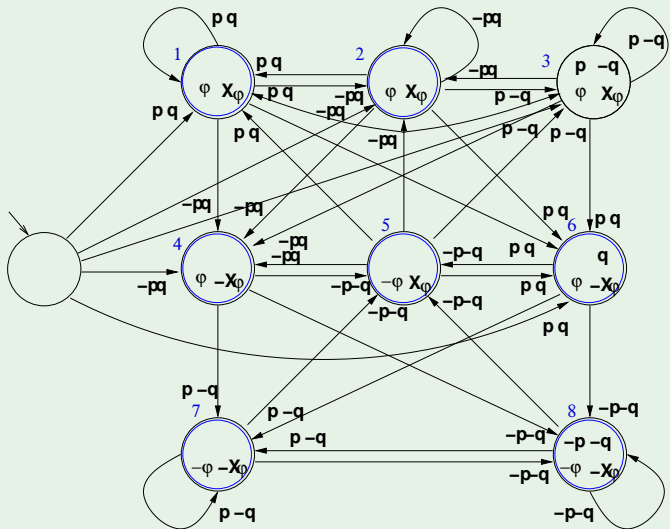
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# Symbolic Representation of $T_\psi$

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

## Symbolic Representation of $T_\psi$ [cont.]

- ...
- Initial states:  $I_{T_\psi} = \text{sat}(\psi)$ 
  - EX:  $I(p, q, x) = q \vee (p \wedge x)$
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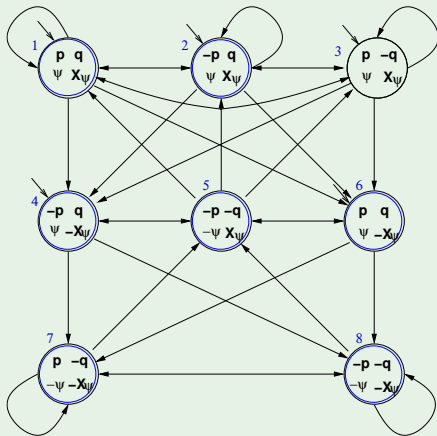
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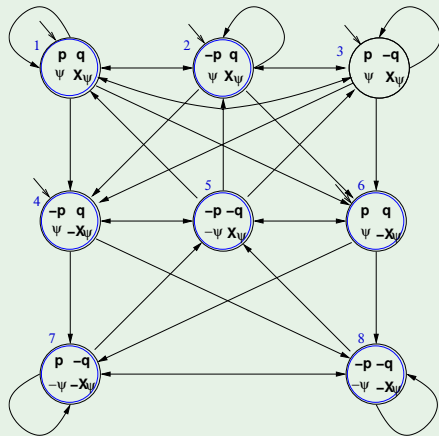
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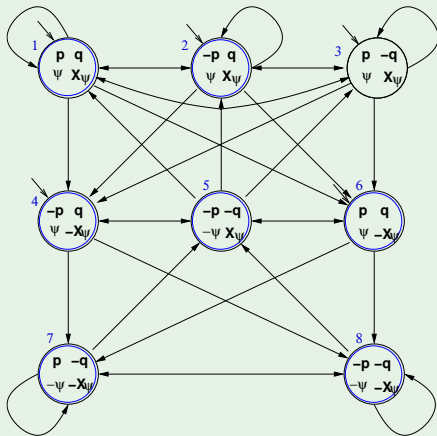
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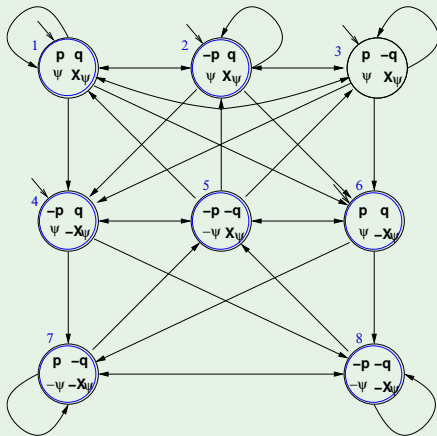
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# Computing the product $P := T_\psi \times M$

- 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:
  - $S := \{(s, s') \mid s \in S_{T_\psi}, s' \in S_M \text{ and } L_M(s')|_\psi = L_{T_\psi}(s)\}$
  - $I := \{(s, s') \mid s \in I_{T_\psi}, s' \in I_M \text{ and } L_M(s')|_\psi = L_{T_\psi}(s)\}$
  - Given  $(s, s'), (t, t') \in S$ ,  $((s, s'), (t, t')) \in R$  iff  $(s, t) \in R_{T_\psi}$  and  $(s', t') \in R_M$
  - $L((s, s')) = L_{T_\psi}(s) \cup L_M(s')$
- Extension of  $\text{sat}()$  and  $F_{T_\psi}$  to  $P$ :
  - $(s, s') \in \text{sat}(\psi) \iff s \in \text{sat}(\psi)$
  - $F := \{\text{sat}(\neg(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2) \vee \varphi_2) \text{ s.t. } (\varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2) \text{ occurs [positively] in } \psi\}$



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

Let  $V, W$  be the array of Boolean state variables of  $T_\psi$  and  $M$  respectively:

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

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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  $T_\psi$  s.t.  $(s, s') \in \text{sat}(\psi)$  and  $T_\psi \times M, (s, s') \models \mathbf{EG}true$  under the fairness conditions:

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

$\Rightarrow M \models \mathbf{E}\psi$  iff  $T_\psi \times M \models \mathbf{E}_f \mathbf{G}true$

$\Rightarrow M \models \neg\psi$  iff  $T_\psi \times M \not\models \mathbf{E}_f \mathbf{G}true$

- 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.

$\Rightarrow \text{Check\_FairEG}$  does not consider states without successors, restricting  $R$  to the remaining states.

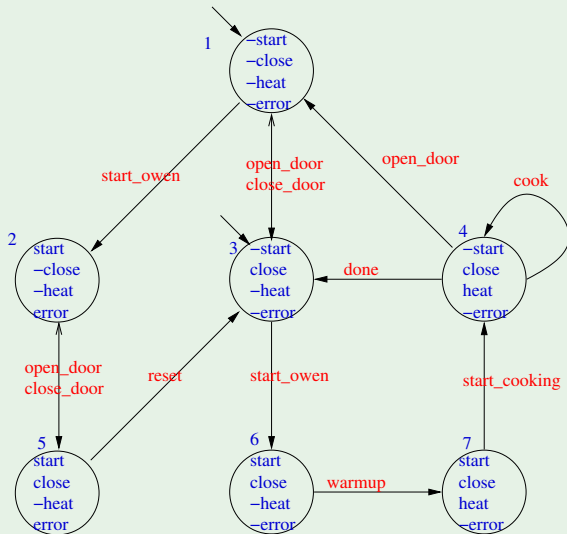
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# A microwave oven

- 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

- Initial states:  $I_M(s, c, h, e) = \neg s \wedge \neg h \wedge \neg e$
- Transition relation:  $R_M(s, c, h, e, s', c', h', e') =$  [a simplification of]
  - (  $\neg s \wedge \neg c \wedge \neg h \wedge \neg e \wedge \neg s' \wedge c' \wedge \neg h' \wedge \neg e'$  )  $\vee$  (close\_door, no error)
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Note: the third row represents two transitions:  $3 \rightarrow 1$  and  $4 \rightarrow 1$ .

- “necessarily, the oven’s door eventually closes and, till there, the oven does not heat”:

$$M \models \neg \text{heat } \mathbf{U} \text{ close},$$

i.e.,

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



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

- $\varphi := \neg\psi = (\neg\text{heat } \mathbf{U} \text{ close})$
- Tableaux expansion:  $\psi = \neg(\neg\text{heat } \mathbf{U} \text{ close}) = \neg(\text{close} \vee (\neg\text{heat} \wedge \mathbf{X}(\neg\text{heat } \mathbf{U} \text{ close})))$
- $el(\psi) = el(\varphi) = \{\text{heat}, \text{close}, \mathbf{X}\varphi\}$  ( $\{h, c, \mathbf{X}\varphi\}$ )
- 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 :=  $\{\neg h, c, \neg\mathbf{X}\varphi\}$ ,
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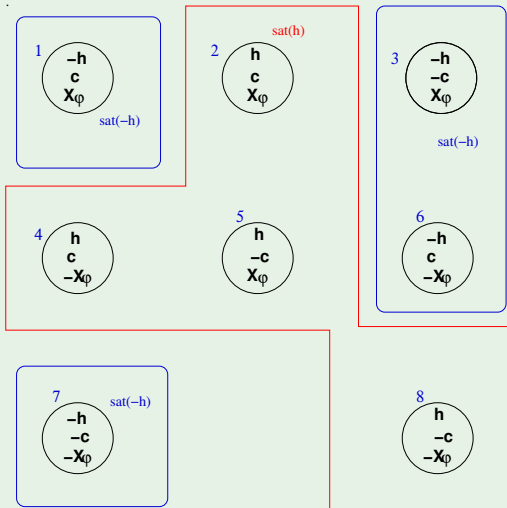
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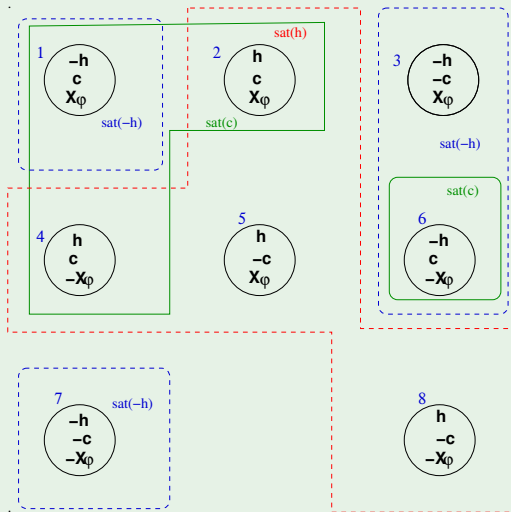
- $\text{sat}()$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sat}(h) &= \{2, 4, 5, 8\} \implies \text{sat}(\neg h) = \{1, 3, 6, 7\}, \\ \text{sat}(c) &= \{1, 2, 4, 6\} \implies \text{sat}(\neg c) = \{3, 5, 7, 8\}, \\ \text{sat}(\mathbf{X}\varphi) &= \{1, 2, 3, 5\} \implies \text{sat}(\neg\mathbf{X}\varphi) = \{4, 6, 7, 8\}, \\ \text{sat}(\varphi) &= \text{sat}(c) \cup (\text{sat}(\neg h) \cap \text{sat}(\mathbf{X}(\neg h \mathbf{U} c))) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\} \\ \implies \text{sat}(\psi) &= \text{sat}(\neg\varphi) = \{5, 7, 8\} \end{aligned}$$

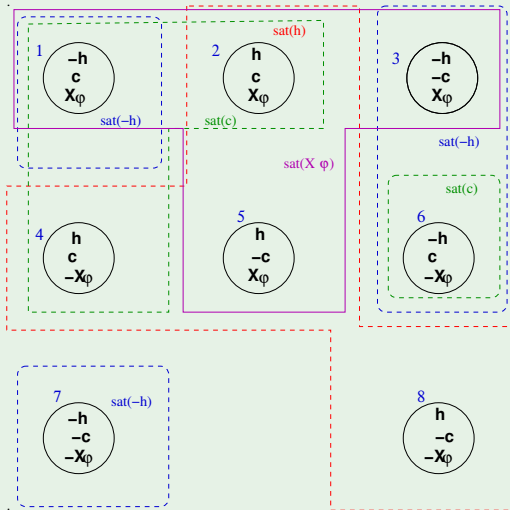
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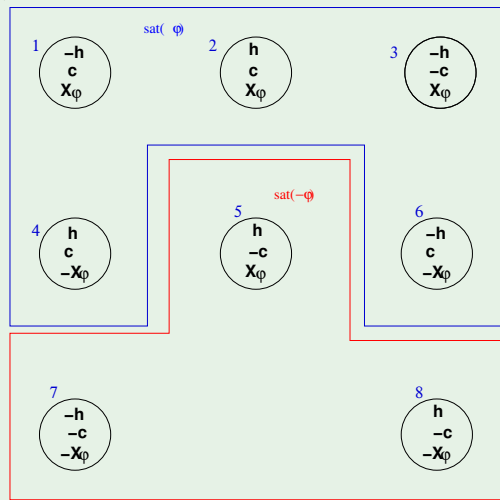
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- $sat()$ :

$$sat(h) = \{2, 4, 5, 8\} \implies sat(\neg h) = \{1, 3, 6, 7\},$$

$$sat(c) = \{1, 2, 4, 6\} \implies sat(\neg c) = \{3, 5, 7, 8\},$$

$$sat(\mathbf{X}\varphi) = \{1, 2, 3, 5\} \implies sat(\neg\mathbf{X}\varphi) = \{4, 6, 7, 8\},$$

$$sat(\varphi) = sat(c) \cup (sat(\neg h) \cap sat(\mathbf{X}(\neg h \mathbf{U} c))) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$$

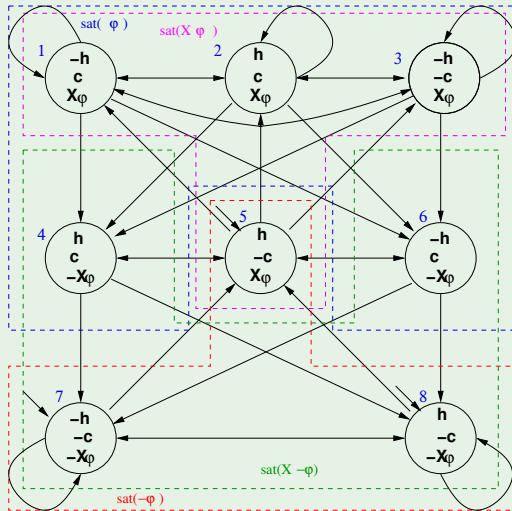
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- **Transition Relation  $R$ :**

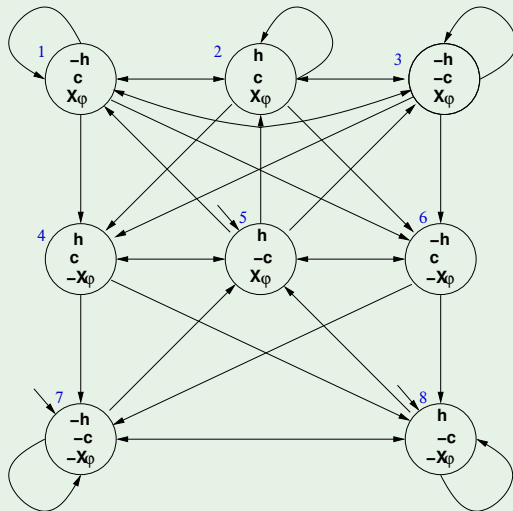
- add an edge from every state in  $sat(\mathbf{X}\varphi)$  to every state in  $sat(\varphi)$
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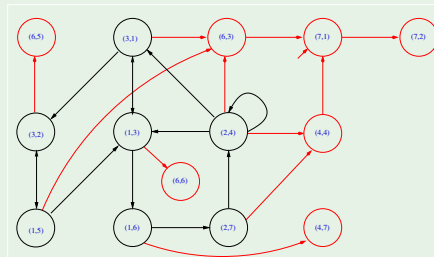
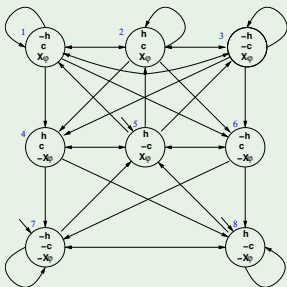
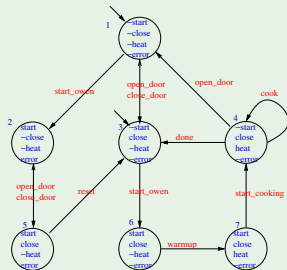
# Tableau construction for $\psi = \neg(\neg heat \mathbf{U} close)$ [cont.]



## Symbolic representation of $T_\psi$ , 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:  $I_{T_\psi} = \text{sat}(\psi)$   
 $\implies I(h, c, x) = \neg(c \vee (\neg h \wedge x))$
- Transition Relation:  $R_{T_\psi} = \bigwedge_{\mathbf{X}\varphi_i \in \text{el}(\psi)} (\text{sat}(\mathbf{X}\varphi_i) \leftrightarrow \text{sat}'(\varphi_i))$   
 $\implies R_{T_\psi}(h, c, x, h', c', x') = x \leftrightarrow (c' \vee (\neg h' \wedge x'))$
- Fairness Property: (due to negative polarity of  $(\neg h \mathbf{U} c)$  in  $\psi$ ):  
 $F_{T_\psi}(h, c, x) = \top$

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





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

- Initial states:  $I(s, c, h, e, x) = (\neg s \wedge \neg h \wedge \neg e) \wedge \neg(c \vee (\neg h \wedge x)) = \neg s \wedge \neg h \wedge \neg e \wedge \neg c \wedge \neg x$
- Transition relation:  $R(s, c, h, e, x, s', c', h', e', x') =$  (an OBDD for  $(x \leftrightarrow (c' \vee (\neg h' \wedge x')))) \wedge$ 
  - $(\neg s \wedge \neg c \wedge \neg h \wedge \neg e \wedge \neg s' \wedge c' \wedge \neg h' \wedge \neg e') \vee$  (close\_door, no error)
  - $(s \wedge \neg c \wedge \neg h \wedge e \wedge s' \wedge c' \wedge \neg h' \wedge e') \vee$  (close\_door, error)
  - $(\neg s \wedge c \wedge \neg h \wedge \neg e \wedge \neg s' \wedge \neg c' \wedge \neg h' \wedge \neg e') \vee$  (open\_door, no error)
  - $(s \wedge c \wedge \neg h \wedge e \wedge s' \wedge \neg c' \wedge \neg h' \wedge e') \vee$  (open\_door, error)
  - $(\neg s \wedge c \wedge \neg h \wedge \neg e \wedge s' \wedge c' \wedge \neg h' \wedge \neg e') \vee$  (start\_oven, no error)
  - $(\neg s \wedge \neg c \wedge \neg h \wedge \neg e \wedge s' \wedge \neg c' \wedge \neg h' \wedge e') \vee$  (start\_oven, error)
  - $(s \wedge c \wedge \neg h \wedge e \wedge \neg s' \wedge c' \wedge \neg h' \wedge \neg e') \vee$  (reset)
  - $(s \wedge c \wedge \neg h \wedge \neg e \wedge s' \wedge c' \wedge h' \wedge \neg e') \vee$  (warmup)
  - $(s \wedge c \wedge h \wedge \neg e \wedge \neg s' \wedge c' \wedge h' \wedge \neg e') \vee$  (start\_cooking)
  - $(\neg s \wedge c \wedge h \wedge \neg e \wedge \neg s' \wedge c' \wedge h' \wedge \neg e') \vee$  (cook)
  - $(\neg s \wedge c \wedge h \wedge \neg e \wedge \neg s' \wedge c' \wedge \neg h' \wedge \neg e')$  (done)

## [EGtrue]: symbolic representation

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

**EGtrue** =

$$( \neg s \wedge \neg c \wedge \neg h \wedge \neg e \wedge x ) \vee \quad (3, 1)$$

$$( s \wedge \neg c \wedge \neg h \wedge e \wedge x ) \vee \quad (3, 2)$$

$$( \neg s \wedge c \wedge \neg h \wedge \neg e \wedge x ) \vee \quad (1, 3)$$

$$( \neg s \wedge c \wedge h \wedge \neg e \wedge x ) \vee \quad (2, 4)$$

$$( s \wedge c \wedge \neg h \wedge e \wedge x ) \vee \quad (1, 5)$$

$$( s \wedge c \wedge \neg h \wedge \neg e \wedge x ) \vee \quad (1, 5)$$

$$( s \wedge c \wedge h \wedge \neg e \wedge x ) \vee \quad (2, 7)$$

...

(other unreachable states)

- Initial states:  $I(s, c, h, e, x) = \neg s \wedge \neg h \wedge \neg e \wedge \neg c \wedge \neg x$

$$\implies I(s, c, h, e, x) \not\models \mathbf{EGtrue}$$

$$\implies I \not\subseteq [\mathbf{EGtrue}]$$

$$\implies T_\psi \times M \not\models \mathbf{EGtrue}$$

$\implies$  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:

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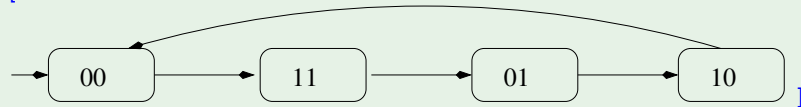
and consider the property  $P \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (v_1 \wedge v_2)$ . Write:

- the Boolean formulas  $I(v_1, v_2)$  and  $T(v_1, v_2, v'_1, v'_2)$  representing respectively the initial states and the transition relation of  $M$ .

[ Solution:  $I(v_1, v_2)$  is  $(\neg v_1 \wedge \neg v_2)$ ,  $T(v_1, v_2, v'_1, v'_2)$  is  $(v'_1 \leftrightarrow \neg v_1) \wedge (v'_2 \leftrightarrow (v_1 \leftrightarrow v_2))$  ]

- the graph representing the FSM. (Assume the notation " $v_1 v_2$ " 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 **EXP**. [The formula must be computed symbolically, not simply inferred from the graph of the previous question!]

[ Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{EX}(P) &= \exists v'_1, v'_2. (T(v_1, v_2, v'_1, v'_2) \wedge P(v'_1, v'_2)) \\ &= \exists v'_1, v'_2. ((v'_1 \leftrightarrow \neg v_1) \wedge (v'_2 \leftrightarrow (v_1 \leftrightarrow v_2))) \wedge \underbrace{(v'_1 \wedge v'_2)}_{\implies v'_1=T, v'_2=T} ) \\ &= \underbrace{v'_1=T, v'_2=T}_{( \neg v_1 \wedge \neg v_2 )} \vee \perp \vee \perp \vee \perp \\ &= (\neg v_1 \wedge \neg v_2)\end{aligned}$$

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# Ex: Symbolic CTL Model Checking

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

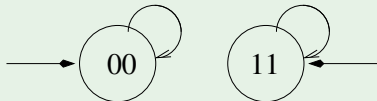
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VAR    v1 : boolean;  v2 : boolean;
INIT   init(v1) <-> init(v2)
TRANS  (v1 <-> next(v2)) & (v2 <-> next(v1));
```

write:

- the Boolean formulas  $I(v_1, v_2)$  and  $T(v_1, v_2, v'_1, v'_2)$  representing the initial states and the transition relation of  $M$  respectively.

[ Solution:  $I(v_1, v_2)$  is  $(v_1 \leftrightarrow v_2)$ ,  $T(v_1, v_2, v'_1, v'_2)$  is  $(v_1 \leftrightarrow v'_1) \wedge (v_2 \leftrightarrow v'_2)$  ]

- the graph representing the FSM. (Assume the notation " $v_1 v_2$ " for labeling the states. E.g., "10" means " $v_1 = 1, v_2 = 0$ ".)



[ Solution:

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## 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).

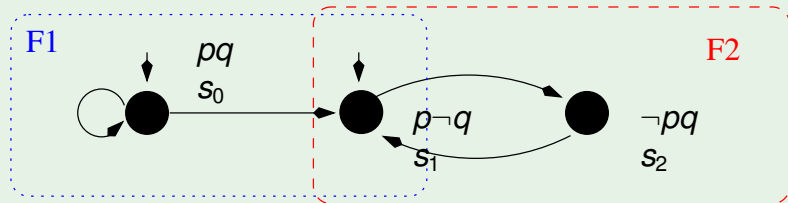
[ Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}R^1(v'_1, v'_2) &= \exists v_1, v_2. (I(v_1, v_2) \wedge T(v_1, v_2, v'_1, v'_2)) \\ &= \exists v_1, v_2. ((v_1 \leftrightarrow v_2) \wedge (v_1 \leftrightarrow v'_2) \wedge (v_2 \leftrightarrow v'_1)) \\ &= ((v_1 \leftrightarrow v_2) \wedge (v_1 \leftrightarrow v'_2) \wedge (v_2 \leftrightarrow v'_1))[v_1 = \perp, v_2 = \perp] \vee \\ &\quad ((v_1 \leftrightarrow v_2) \wedge (v_1 \leftrightarrow v'_2) \wedge (v_2 \leftrightarrow v'_1))[v_1 = \perp, v_2 = \top] \vee \\ &\quad ((v_1 \leftrightarrow v_2) \wedge (v_1 \leftrightarrow v'_2) \wedge (v_2 \leftrightarrow v'_1))[v_1 = \top, v_2 = \perp] \vee \\ &\quad ((v_1 \leftrightarrow v_2) \wedge (v_1 \leftrightarrow v'_2) \wedge (v_2 \leftrightarrow v'_1))[v_1 = \top, v_2 = \top] \\ &= (\neg v'_1 \wedge \neg v'_2) \vee \perp \vee \perp \vee (v'_1 \wedge v'_2) \\ &= (\neg v'_1 \wedge \neg v'_2) \vee (v'_1 \wedge v'_2) \\ &= (v'_1 \leftrightarrow v'_2)\end{aligned}$$

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# Ex: Fair CTL Model Checking

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

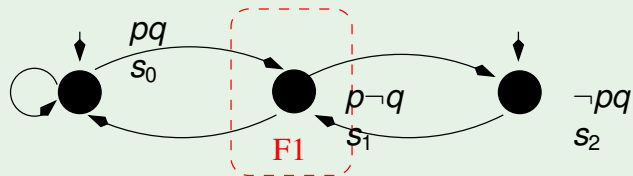


For each of the following facts, say if it is true or false in CTL.

- (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

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- (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 ]

# Ex: Symbolic LTL Model Checking

Given the following LTL formula:  $\varphi \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \neg((\mathbf{GF}p \wedge \mathbf{GF}q) \rightarrow \mathbf{GF}r)$

(a) Compute the Negative Normal Form of  $\varphi$  ( $NNF(\varphi)$ ).

$$\begin{aligned}
 \varphi &\iff \neg((\mathbf{GF}p \wedge \mathbf{GF}q) \rightarrow \mathbf{GF}r) \\
 \text{[ Solution: } &\iff \neg(\neg(\mathbf{GF}p \wedge \mathbf{GF}q) \vee \mathbf{GF}r) \\
 &\iff (\mathbf{GF}p \wedge \mathbf{GF}q \wedge \neg\mathbf{GF}r) \\
 &\iff (\mathbf{GF}p \wedge \mathbf{GF}q \wedge \mathbf{FG}\neg r) \iff NNF(\varphi) \\
 \text{]} &
 \end{aligned}$$

(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 "**TU** $\psi$ "): ]

$$\begin{aligned}
 \varphi &\iff \neg((\mathbf{GF}p \wedge \mathbf{GF}q) \rightarrow \mathbf{GF}r) \\
 &\iff \neg((\neg\mathbf{F}\neg\mathbf{F}p \wedge \neg\mathbf{F}\neg\mathbf{F}q) \rightarrow \neg\mathbf{F}\neg\mathbf{F}r)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$el(\mathbf{F}\neg\mathbf{F}p) = \{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{F}\neg\mathbf{F}p\} \cup el(\neg\mathbf{F}p) = \{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{F}\neg\mathbf{F}p\} \cup \{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{F}p\} \cup el(p) = \{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{F}\neg\mathbf{F}p, \mathbf{X}\mathbf{F}p, p\}.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Hence: } el(\varphi) &= el(\neg((\neg\mathbf{F}\neg\mathbf{F}p \wedge \neg\mathbf{F}\neg\mathbf{F}q) \rightarrow \neg\mathbf{F}\neg\mathbf{F}r)) \\
 &= el(\mathbf{F}\neg\mathbf{F}p) \cup el(\mathbf{F}\neg\mathbf{F}q) \cup el(\mathbf{F}\neg\mathbf{F}r) \\
 &= \{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{F}\neg\mathbf{F}p, \mathbf{X}\mathbf{F}p, p, \mathbf{X}\mathbf{F}\neg\mathbf{F}q, \mathbf{X}\mathbf{F}q, q, \mathbf{X}\mathbf{F}\neg\mathbf{F}r, \mathbf{X}\mathbf{F}r, r\}
 \end{aligned}$$

(c) What is the (maximum) number of states of a fair Kripke Model representing  $\varphi$ ?

[ Solution: By definition it is  $2^{|el(\varphi)|} = 2^9 = 512$ . ]



# Ex: Symbolic LTL Model Checking

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

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

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

(ii) The set of initial states of  $\mathcal{T}_\psi$  is  $sat(\psi) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} S \setminus (sat(\neg p) \cup sat(\mathbf{X}\mathbf{F}\neg p)) = \{s_1\}$ .

(iii) Since  $s_1$  is the only state in  $sat(\neg \mathbf{F}\neg p)$ , then  $s_1$  is the only successor of itself, so that the only relevant transition is a self-loop over  $s_1$ .

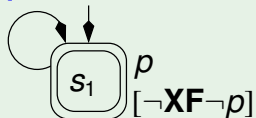
(One can also —un-necessarily— draw all transitions from states where  $\neg \mathbf{X}\mathbf{F}\neg p$  holds into  $\{s_1\}$  and from from states where  $\mathbf{X}\mathbf{F}\neg p$  holds into  $\{s_2, s_3, s_4\}$ .)

(iv) There is one **U**-subformula,  $\mathbf{F}\neg p$ , so that there is one fairness condition defined as  $sat(\neg \mathbf{F}\neg p \vee \neg p)$ . 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<sup>T</sup>** fairness condition, which is equivalent to say that all states belong to the fairness condition. ]

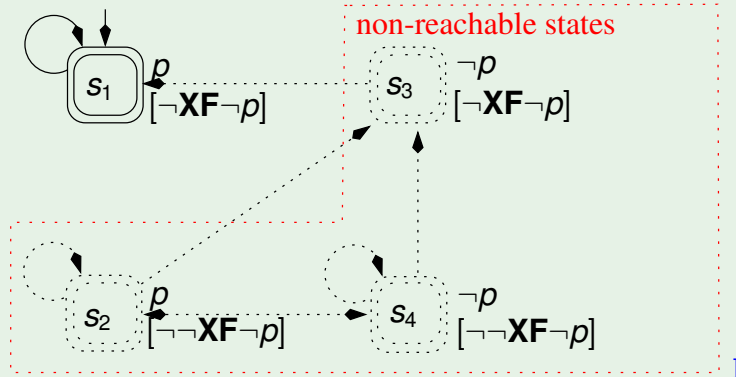
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# Ex: Symbolic LTL Model Checking (cont.)

[ Solution:



or, alternatively without simplifications:



# Ex: Symbolic LTL Model Checking

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

[ Solution:

- (i) The set of elementary subformulas of  $\psi$  is  $el(\psi) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{p, \mathbf{XG}p\}$ . 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  $\mathcal{T}_\psi$  is  $sat(\psi) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} sat(p) \cap sat(\mathbf{XG}p) = \{s_1\}$ .

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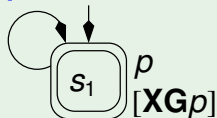
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- (iv) Since there is no “**U**” subformula, we must add a **AGAF** $\top$  fairness condition, which is equivalent to say that all states belong to the fairness condition.

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## Ex: Symbolic LTL Model Checking (cont.)

[ Solution:



or, alternatively without simplifications:

