Formal Methods: Module I: Automated Reasoning Ch. 04: Linear Temporal Logic

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Kripke Models

• Theoretical role: the semantic framework for a variety of logics

- Modal Logics
- Description Logics
- Temporal Logics
- ...

• Practical role: used to describe reactive systems:

- nonterminating systems with infinite behaviors (e.g. communication protocols, hardware circuits);
- represent the dynamic evolution of modeled systems;
- a state includes values to state variables, program counters, content of communication channels.
- can be animated and validated before their actual implementation

Kripke Model: Formal Definition

- A Kripke model (*S*, *I*, *R*, *AP*, *L*) consists of
 - a finite 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 $L: S \mapsto 2^{AP}$.
- We assume *R* total: for every state *s*, there exists (at least) one state *s*' s.t. (*s*, *s*') ∈ *R*
- Sometimes we use variables with discrete bounded values v_i ∈ {d₁,..., d_k} (can be encoded with ⌈log(k)⌉ Boolean variables)



Remark

Unlike with other types of Automata (e.g., Buechi), in Kripke models the values of all variables are always assigned in each state.

Kripke Structures: Two Alternative Representations:

- each state identifies univocally the values of the atomic propositions which hold there
- each state is labeled by a bit vector



Example: a Kripke model for mutual exclusion



Path in a Kripke Model



- Complex Kripke Models are tipically obtained by composition of smaller ones
- Components can be combined via
 - asynchronous composition.
 - synchronous composition,

Asynchronous Composition

- Interleaving of evolution of components.
- At each time instant, one component is selected to perform a transition.



Asynchronous Composition/Product: formal definition

Asynchronous product of Kripke models

Let $M_1 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle S_1, I_1, R_1, AP_1, L_1 \rangle$, $M_2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle S_2, I_2, R_2, AP_2, L_2 \rangle$. Then the asynchronous product $M \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} M_1 || M_2$ is $M \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle S, I, R, AP, L \rangle$, where

• $S \subseteq S_1 \times S_2$ s.t., $\forall \langle s_1, s_2 \rangle \in S, \forall l \in AP_1 \cap AP_2, l \in L_1(s_1) \text{ iff } l \in L_2(s_2)$

•
$$I \subseteq I_1 \times I_2$$
 s.t. $I \subseteq S$
• $R(\langle s_1, s_2 \rangle, \langle t_1, t_2 \rangle)$ iff $(R_1(s_1, t_1) \text{ and } s_2 = t_2)$ or
 $(s_1 = t_1 \text{ and } R_2(s_2, t_2))$

• $AP = AP_1 \cup AP_2$

•
$$L: S \mapsto 2^{AP}$$
 s.t. $L(\langle s_1, s_2 \rangle) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} L_1(s_1) \cup L_2(s_2).$

Note: combined states must agree on the values of Boolean variables.

Asynchronous composition is associative: $(...(M_1||M_2)||...)||M_n) = (M_1||(M_2||(...||M_n)...) = M_1||M_2||...||M_n$

Asynchronous Composition: Example 1



Asynchronous Composition: Example 2



Asynchronous Composition: Example 2



Synchronous Composition

- Components evolve in parallel.
- At each time instant, every component performs a transition.



Synchronous Composition/Product: formal definition

Synchronous product of Kripke models

Let $M_1 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle S_1, I_1, R_1, AP_1, L_1 \rangle$, $M_2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle S_2, I_2, R_2, AP_2, L_2 \rangle$. Then the synchronous product $M \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} M_1 \times M_2$ is $M \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle S, I, R, AP, L \rangle$, where

• $S \subseteq S_1 \times S_2$ s.t., $\forall \langle s_1, s_2 \rangle \in S, \forall I \in AP_1 \cap AP_2, I \in L_1(s_1) \text{ iff } I \in L_2(s_2)$

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- $AP = AP_1 \cup AP_2$
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Note: combined states must agree on the values of Boolean variables.

Synchronous composition is associative:

 $(\dots(M_1 \times M_2) \times \dots) \times M_n) = (M_1 \times (M_2 \times (\dots \times M_n) \dots) = M_1 \times M_2 \times \dots \times M_n)$

Synchronous Composition: Example 1



Synchronous Composition: Example 2



Synchronous Composition: Example 2 (cont.)





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Description languages for Kripke Model

- Most often a Kripke model is not given explicitly (states, arcs),...
- ... rather it is usually presented in a structured language (e.g., SMV, PROMELA, StateCharts, VHDL, ...)
 - even a piece of SW can be seen as a Kripke model!
- Each component is presented by specifying
 - state variables: determine the set of atomic propositions *AP*, the state space *S* and the labeling *L*.
 - initial values of variables V: determine the set of initial states I.
 - described as a relation I(V₀) in terms of state variables at step 0
 - instructions: determine the transition relation *R*.
 - described as a relation R(V, V') in terms of current state variables V and next state variables V'
- Aka as symbolic representation of a Kripke model

Remark

Tipically symbolic description are much more compact (and intuitive) than the explicit representation of the Kripke model.

The SMV language

- The input language of the SMV M.C. (and NUSMV)
- Booleans, enumerative and bounded integers as data types
- now enriched with other constructs, e.g. in NuXMV language
- An SMV program consists of:
 - Declarations of the state variables (e.g., b0);
 - Assignments that define the initial states (e.g., init (b0) := 0).
 - Assignments that define the transition relation (e.g., next (b0) := !b0).
- Allows for both synchronous and asyncronous composition of modules (though synchronous interaction more natural)

Example: a Simple Counter Circuit

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) + $2 \times toint(v1)$; 00 v, 0 1 0 1 1 1 1 0 0 10 V. $\begin{array}{lll} I(V) & = & (\neg v_0 \land \neg v_1) \\ R(V, V') & = & (v'_0 \leftrightarrow \neg v_0) \land (v'_1 \leftrightarrow v_0 \bigoplus v_1) \end{array}$

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Standard Programming Languages

- Standard programming languages are typically sequential
- → Transition relation defined in terms also of the program counter
 - Numbers & values Booleanized





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Safety Properties

- Bad events never happen
 - deadlock: two processes waiting for input from each other, the system is unable to perform a transition.
 - no reachable state satisfies a "bad" condition,
 e.g. never two processes in critical section at the same time
- can be refuted by a finite behaviour
- Ex.: it is never the case that *p*.



Liveness Properties

Something desirable will eventually happen

- sooner or later this will happen
- can be refuted by infinite behaviour



• an infinite behaviour can be typically presented as a loop

Fairness Properties

Something desirable will happen infinitely often

- important subcase of liveness
- whenever a subroutine takes control, it will always return it (sooner or later)
- can be refuted by infinite behaviour
 - a subrouting takes control and never returns it



an infinite behaviour can be typically presented as a loop



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Computation tree vs. computation paths



Temporal Logics

Express properties of "Reactive Systems"

- nonterminating behaviours,
- without explicit reference to time.
- Linear Temporal Logic (LTL)
 - interpreted over each path of the Kripke structure
 - linear model of time
 - temporal operators
 - "Medieval": "since birth, one's destiny is set".

• Computation Tree Logic (CTL)

- interpreted over computation tree of Kripke model
- branching model of time
- temporal operators plus path quantifiers
- "Humanistic": "one makes his/her own destiny step-by-step".



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Linear Temporal Logic (LTL): Syntax

- An atomic proposition is a LTL formula;
- if φ_1 and φ_2 are LTL formulae, then $\neg \varphi_1, \varphi_1 \land \varphi_2, \varphi_1 \lor \varphi_2, \varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2, \varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2, \varphi_1 \oplus \varphi_2$ are LTL formulae;
- if φ₁ and φ₂ are LTL formulae, then Xφ₁, φ₁Uφ₂, Gφ₁, Fφ₁ are LTL formulae, where X, G, F, U are the "next", "globally", "eventually", "until" temporal operators respectively.
- Another operator **R** "releases" (the dual of **U**) is used sometimes.

LTL semantics: intuitions

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

- "Next" X: X φ is true in s_t iff φ is true in s_{t+1}
- "Finally" (or "eventually") **F**: $\mathbf{F}\varphi$ is true in s_t iff φ is true in some $s_{t'}$ with $t' \ge t$
- "Globally" (or "henceforth") G: Gφ is true in st iff φ is true in all st' with t' ≥ t
- "Until" **U**: φ **U** ψ is true in s_t iff, for some state $s_{t'}$ s.t $t' \ge t$:
 - ψ is true in s_t
 - φ is true in all states $s_{t''}$ s.t. $t \le t'' < t'$
- "Releases" **R**: φ **R** ψ is true in s_t iff, for all states $s_{t'}$ s.t. $t' \ge t$:
 - ψ is true **or**
 - φ is true in some states $s_{t''}$ with $t \le t'' < t'$
 - " ψ can become false only if φ becomes true first"

LTL semantics: intuitions



LTL: Some Noteworthy Examples

• Safety: "it never happens that a train is arriving and the bar is up"

 $G(\neg(train_arriving \land bar_up))$

• Liveness: "if input, then eventually output"

 $G(input \rightarrow Foutput)$

• Releases: "the device is not working if you don't first repair it"

(repair_device **R** ¬working_device)

• Fairness: "infinitely often send "

GFsend

• Strong fairness: "infinitely often send implies infinitely often recv."

 $\textbf{GFsend} \rightarrow \textbf{GFrecv}$

LTL Formal Semantics

$\pi, {\it S_i}$	Þ	а	iff	$\pmb{a} \in \pmb{L}(\pmb{s}_i)$		
$\pi, {\it S_i}$	Þ	$\neg\varphi$	iff	$\pi, oldsymbol{\mathcal{S}}_{oldsymbol{i}}$	¥	φ
$\pi, \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{i}}$	Þ	$\varphi \wedge \psi$	iff	$\pi, oldsymbol{s}_{oldsymbol{i}}$	⊨	arphi and
				$\pi, oldsymbol{\mathcal{S}_{i}}$	Þ	ψ
$\pi, {\it S}_{\it i}$	Þ	$\mathbf{X}arphi$	iff	$\pi, oldsymbol{s}_{i+1}$	\models	φ
$\pi, {\it S_i}$	Þ	${f F}arphi$	iff	for some $j \ge i : \pi, s_j$	\models	φ
$\pi, {m s}_{\it i}$	Þ	$\mathbf{G}arphi$	iff	for all $j \ge i : \pi, s_j$	Þ	φ
$\pi, {m s}_{\it i}$	Þ	$arphi {f U} \psi$	iff	for some $j \ge i : (\pi, s_j)$	Þ	ψ and
				for all k s.t. $i \leq k < j : \pi, s_k$	Þ	φ)
$\pi, {\it S_i}$	Þ	$arphi \mathbf{R} \psi$	iff	for all $j \geq i$: (π, s_j)	Þ	ψ or
				for some k s.t. $i \le k < j$: π, s_k	Þ	φ)

LTL Formal Semantics (cont.)

- LTL properties are evaluated over paths, i.e., over infinite, linear sequences of states: π = s₀ → s₁ → ··· → s_t → s_{t+1} → ···
- Given an infinite sequence $\pi = s_0, s_1, s_2, \ldots$
 - π , $s_i \models \phi$ if ϕ is true in state s_i of π .
 - $\pi \models \phi$ if ϕ is true in the initial state s_0 of π .
- The LTL model checking problem $\mathcal{M} \models \phi$
 - check if π ⊨ φ for every path π of the Kripke structure M (e.g., φ = Fdone)



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

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

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

Important Remark

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

• E.g. if ϕ is a LTL formula and two paths π_1 and π_2 are s.t. $\pi_1 \models \phi$ and $\pi_2 \models \neg \phi$.

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





Syntactic properties of LTL operators



Note

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

Exercise

Prove that $\varphi_1 \mathbf{R} \varphi_2 \iff \mathbf{G} \varphi_2 \lor \varphi_2 \mathbf{U}(\varphi_1 \land \varphi_2)$

Proof of $\varphi \mathsf{R}\psi \Leftrightarrow (\mathbf{G}\psi \lor \psi \mathbf{U}(\varphi \land \psi))$

[Solution proposed by the student Samuel Valentini, 2016]

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

$$\Rightarrow$$
: Let π be s.t. π , $s_0 \models \varphi \mathbf{R} \psi$

- If $\forall j, \pi, s_j \models \psi$, then $\pi, s_0 \models \mathbf{G}\psi$.
- Otherwise, let s_k be the first state s.t. $\pi, s_k \not\models \psi$.
- Since π , $s_0 \models \varphi \mathbf{R} \psi$, then k > 0 and exists k' < k s.t. π , $S_{k'} \models \varphi$
- By construction, π, s_{k'} ⊨ φ ∧ ψ and, for every w < k', π, s_w ⊨ ψ, so that π, s₀ ⊨ ψU(φ ∧ ψ).
- Thus, $\pi, \mathbf{s}_0 \models \mathbf{G}\psi \lor \psi \mathbf{U}(\varphi \land \psi)$

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

- If π , $s_0 \models \mathbf{G}\psi$, then $\forall j, \pi, s_j \models \psi$, so that $\pi, s_0 \models \varphi \mathbf{R}\psi$.
- Otherwise, π , $s_0 \models \psi \mathbf{U}(\varphi \land \psi)$.
- Let s_k be the first state s.t. $\pi, s_k \not\models \psi$.
- by construction, $\exists k'$ such that $\pi, S_{k'} \models \varphi \land \psi$
- by the definition of *k*, we have that k' < k and $\forall w < k, \pi, S_w \models \psi$.
- Thus $\pi, \mathbf{s}_0 \models \varphi \mathbf{R} \psi$

Strength of LTL operators

- $\mathbf{G}\varphi\models\varphi\models\mathbf{F}\varphi$
- $\mathbf{G}\varphi \models \mathbf{X}\varphi \models \mathbf{F}\varphi$
- $\mathbf{G}\varphi \models \mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}...\mathbf{X}\varphi \models \mathbf{F}\varphi$
- $\bullet \ \varphi \mathbf{U} \psi \models \mathbf{F} \psi$
- $\mathbf{G}\psi \models \varphi \mathbf{R}\psi$

LTL tableaux rules

• Let φ_1 and φ_2 be LTL formulae:

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
\mathbf{F}\varphi_1 & \Longleftrightarrow & (\varphi_1 \lor \mathbf{XF}\varphi_1) \\
\mathbf{G}\varphi_1 & \Leftrightarrow & (\varphi_1 \land \mathbf{XG}\varphi_1) \\
\varphi_1 \mathbf{U}\varphi_2 & \Leftrightarrow & (\varphi_2 \lor (\varphi_1 \land \mathbf{X}(\varphi_1 \mathbf{U}\varphi_2))) \\
\varphi_1 \mathbf{R}\varphi_2 & \Leftrightarrow & (\varphi_2 \land (\varphi_1 \lor \mathbf{X}(\varphi_1 \mathbf{R}\varphi_2)))
\end{array}$$

 If applied recursively, rewrite an LTL formula in terms of atomic and X-formulas:

$$(
ho \mathsf{U} q) \wedge (\mathsf{G} \neg
ho) \Longrightarrow (q \lor (
ho \land \mathsf{X}(
ho \mathsf{U} q))) \land (\neg
ho \land \mathsf{X} \mathsf{G} \neg
ho)$$

Tableaux Rules: a Quote



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



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Example 1: mutual exclusion (safety)



Example 2: liveness



Example 3: liveness



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

Example 4: fairness



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

Example 5: strong fairness



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

Example 6: Releases



Example 7: XF



Example: $\mathbf{G}(T \rightarrow \mathbf{F}C)$ vs. $\mathbf{GF}T \rightarrow \mathbf{GF}C$

• $\mathbf{G}(T \to \mathbf{F}C) \implies \mathbf{GF}T \to \mathbf{GF}C$?

• YES: if $M \models \mathbf{G}(T \rightarrow \mathbf{F}C)$, then $M \models \mathbf{GF}T \rightarrow \mathbf{GF}C$!

• let $M \models \mathbf{G}(T \rightarrow \mathbf{F}C)$. let $\pi \in M$ s.t. $\pi \models \mathbf{GF}T$ $\implies \pi, s_i \models \mathbf{F}T$ for each $s_i \in \pi$ and for some $s_j \in \pi$ s.t. $j \ge i$ $\implies \pi, s_j \models FC$ for each $s_i \in \pi$ and for some $s_j \in \pi$ s.t. $j \ge i$ $\implies \pi, s_k \models C$ for each $s_i \in \pi$, for some $s_j \in \pi$ s.t. $j \ge i$ and for some $k \ge j$ $\implies \pi, s_k \models C$ for each $s_i \in \pi$ and for some $k \ge i$ $\implies \pi, s_k \models C$ for each $s_i \in \pi$ and for some $k \ge i$ $\implies \pi \models \mathbf{GF}C$ $\implies M \models \mathbf{GF}T \rightarrow \mathbf{GF}C$.

Example: $\mathbf{G}(T \rightarrow \mathbf{F}C)$ vs. $\mathbf{GF}T \rightarrow \mathbf{GF}C$

- $\mathbf{G}(T \rightarrow \mathbf{F}C) \iff \mathbf{GF}T \rightarrow \mathbf{GF}C$?
- NO!.
- Counter example:



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"You have no respect for logic. (...) I have no respect for those who have no respect for logic." https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uGstM8QMCjQ



(Arnold Schwarzenegger in "Twins")



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Exercise: LTL Model Checking (path)



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

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

Ex: LTL Model Checking

Consider the following Kripke Model M:



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

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