

Formale Spezifikation und Verifikation

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Computation Tree Logic

- Kripke Structures
- Computation Tree Logic (CTL)
- Model Checking CTL
- Fixed-point characterisation of CTL

Definition

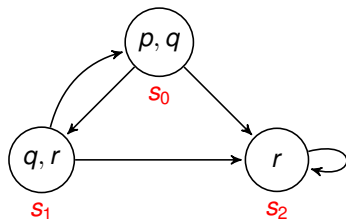
Let Atom be a set of atomic propositions. A model (also called Kripke structure) is a tuple $\mathcal{M} = (S, \rightarrow, L)$ where

- S is a set of states
- \rightarrow is a left-total transition relation, i.e., $\rightarrow \subseteq S \times S$ and for each $s \in S$ there exist $s' \in S$ such that $(s, s') \in \rightarrow$
- L is a labelling function $L : S \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\text{Atom})$ and $\mathcal{P}(\text{Atom})$ denotes the power-set of Atom .
- As usual, $(s, s') \in \rightarrow$ is often written $s \rightarrow s'$.

Comparing this definition with that of labelled transition systems:

- In LTS transitions are labelled, not states
- An LTS admits deadlocked states, i.e., states without outgoing transitions

Example



$$S = \{s_0, s_1, s_2\}$$

$$\rightarrow = \{(s_0, s_1), (s_0, s_2), (s_1, s_0), (s_1, s_2), (s_2, s_2)\}$$

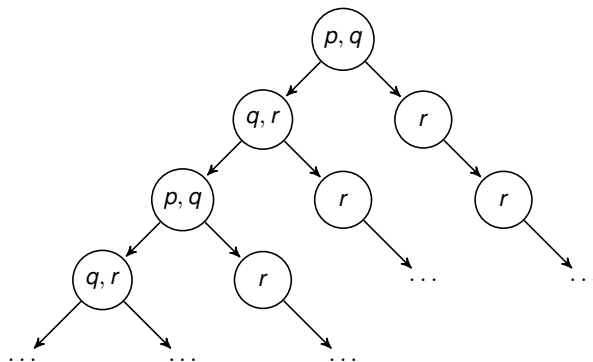
$$\text{Atom} = \{p, q, r\}$$

$$L(s_0) = \{p, q\}$$

$$L(s_1) = \{q, r\}$$

$$L(s_2) = \{r\}$$

Unwinding of the Kripke Structure from s_0



- Nondeterministic behaviour
- Nonterminating computation
- Branching time

We wish to define a formal method for specifying properties such as

- **Statements over states**

- Does state s satisfy the atomic property p ?
- Does state s satisfy the atomic properties p and q ?
- Does state s satisfy the atomic properties p or q ?
- ...

- **Statements over paths**

- Is there a path starting from s such that property p always hold?
- Is there a path starting from s such that property p holds some time in the future?
- From all paths starting from s does property p always hold?
- ...

Syntax of CTL – 1

A CTL *formula* is defined by the following BNF grammar:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi := & \perp \mid \top \mid p \mid (\neg\phi) \mid (\phi \wedge \phi) \mid (\phi \vee \phi) \mid (\phi \rightarrow \phi) \mid \\ & \mathbf{AX} \phi \mid \mathbf{EX} \phi \mid \mathbf{A}[\phi \mathbf{U} \phi] \mid \mathbf{E}[\phi \mathbf{U} \phi] \mid \mathbf{AG} \phi \mid \\ & \mathbf{EG} \phi \mid \mathbf{AF} \phi \mid \mathbf{EF} \phi, \quad \text{with } p \in \text{Atom}. \end{aligned}$$

A means *along All paths* (inevitably)

E means *along at least one path* (i.e., there Exists one path)
(possibly)

X means *neXt state*

F means *some Future state*

G means *Globally* (all future states)

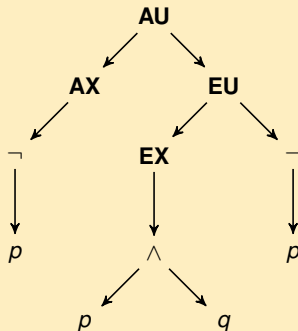
U means *Until*

Syntax of CTL – 2

Binding Priority

- 1 Unary connectives \neg , **AG**, **EG**, **AF**, **EF**, and **AX**
- 2 \wedge and \vee
- 3 \rightarrow , **A**[\cdot **U** \cdot], and **E**[\cdot **U** \cdot]

Parse Tree of **A**[**AX** $\neg p$ **U** **E**[**EX**($p \wedge q$) **U** $\neg p$]]



Semantics of CTL – 1

Let $\mathcal{M} = (S, \rightarrow, L)$ be a model for CTL. Given $s \in S$ the relation

$$\mathcal{M}, s \models \phi \quad (\text{often abbreviated } s \models \phi)$$

defines whether the CTL formula ϕ holds in s .

The **satisfaction relation** \models is defined by structural induction thus:

- $\mathcal{M}, s \models \top$ and $\mathcal{M}, s \not\models \perp$ for all $s \in S$.
- $\mathcal{M}, s \models p$ iff $p \in L(s)$.
- $\mathcal{M}, s \models \neg\phi$ iff $\mathcal{M}, s \not\models \phi$.
- $\mathcal{M}, s \models \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2$ iff $\mathcal{M}, s \models \phi_1$ and $\mathcal{M}, s \models \phi_2$.
- $\mathcal{M}, s \models \phi_1 \vee \phi_2$ iff $\mathcal{M}, s \models \phi_1$ or $\mathcal{M}, s \models \phi_2$.
- $\mathcal{M}, s \models \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2$ iff $\mathcal{M}, s \not\models \phi_1$ or $\mathcal{M}, s \models \phi_2$.

Semantics of $p \rightarrow q$

The formula $p \rightarrow q$ is interpreted as checking whether *truth is preserved*.

| ϕ | ψ | $\phi \rightarrow \psi$ |
|--------|--------|-------------------------|
| T | T | T |
| T | F | F |
| F | T | T |
| F | F | T |

| ϕ | ψ | $\neg\phi \vee \psi$ |
|--------|--------|----------------------|
| T | T | T |
| T | F | F |
| F | T | T |
| F | F | T |

Therefore,

$$\mathcal{M}, s \models \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2 \text{ iff } \mathcal{M}, s \not\models \phi_1 \text{ or } \mathcal{M}, s \models \phi_2 .$$

Semantics of CTL – 2

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- $\mathcal{M}, s \models \mathbf{AX} \phi$ iff for all s' such that $s \rightarrow s'$ we have $\mathcal{M}, s' \models \phi$.
- $\mathcal{M}, s \models \mathbf{EX} \phi$ iff for some s' such that $s \rightarrow s'$ we have $\mathcal{M}, s' \models \phi$.
- $\mathcal{M}, s \models \mathbf{AG} \phi$ iff for all paths $s_1 \rightarrow s_2 \rightarrow \dots$, with $s = s_1$, we have $\mathcal{M}, s_i \models \phi$, with $i = 1, 2, \dots$
- $\mathcal{M}, s \models \mathbf{EG} \phi$ iff there exists a path $s_1 \rightarrow s_2 \rightarrow \dots$, with $s = s_1$, such that we have $\mathcal{M}, s_i \models \phi$, with $i = 1, 2, \dots$

Semantics of CTL – 3

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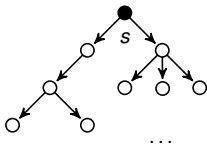
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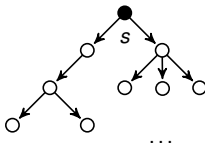
- $\mathcal{M}, s \models \mathbf{AF} \phi$ iff for all paths $s_1 \rightarrow s_2 \rightarrow \dots$, with $s = s_1$, there exists s_j such that $\mathcal{M}, s_j \models \phi$.
- $\mathcal{M}, s \models \mathbf{EF} \phi$ iff for some path $s_1 \rightarrow s_2 \rightarrow \dots$, with $s = s_1$, there exists s_j such that $\mathcal{M}, s_j \models \phi$.
- $\mathcal{M}, s \models \mathbf{A}[\phi_1 \mathbf{U} \phi_2]$ iff for all paths $s_1 \rightarrow s_2 \rightarrow \dots$, with $s = s_1$, there is some s_j such that $\mathcal{M}, s_j \models \phi_2$ and, for each $j < i$ we have $\mathcal{M}, s_j \models \phi_1$.
- $\mathcal{M}, s \models \mathbf{E}[\phi_1 \mathbf{U} \phi_2]$ iff for some path $s_1 \rightarrow s_2 \rightarrow \dots$, with $s = s_1$, there is some s_j such that $\mathcal{M}, s_j \models \phi_2$ and, for each $j < i$, we have $\mathcal{M}, s_j \models \phi_1$.

Illustrations – 1



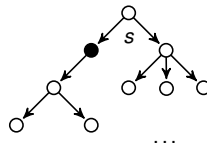
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$\mathcal{M}, s \models \text{black}$



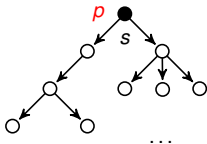
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$\mathcal{M}, s \models \text{black} \vee \text{grey}$



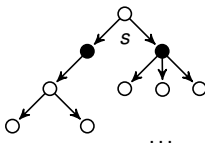
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$\mathcal{M}, s \models \mathbf{EX} \text{black}$



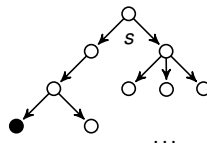
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$\mathcal{M}, s \models p \wedge \text{black}$



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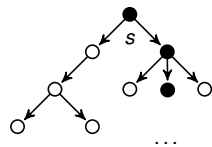
$\mathcal{M}, s \models \mathbf{AX} \text{black}$



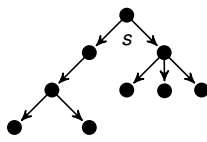
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$\mathcal{M}, s \models \mathbf{EF} \text{black}$

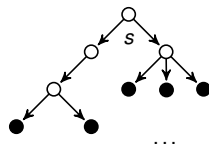
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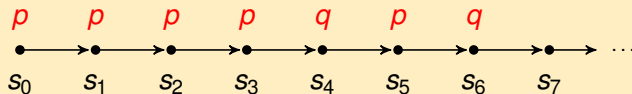


$\mathcal{M}, s \models \mathbf{AG} \text{ black}$



$\mathcal{M}, s \models \mathbf{AF} \text{ black}$

Until Semantics



$\mathcal{M}, s_i \models \mathbf{E}[p \mathbf{U} q], \quad 0 \leq i \leq 3.$

$\mathcal{M}, s_4 \models \mathbf{E}[p \mathbf{U} q] ?$

$\mathcal{M}, s_5 \models \mathbf{E}[p \mathbf{U} q] ?$

$\mathcal{M}, s_6 \models \mathbf{E}[p \mathbf{U} q] ?$

Practical Patterns of Specification

- It is possible to get to a state where the machine has been started, but it is not ready yet:

$$\mathbf{EF}(\text{started} \wedge \neg \text{ready})$$

- For any state, if a message arrives, then it will eventually be acknowledged:

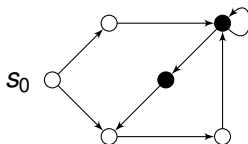
$$\mathbf{AG}(\text{arrived} \rightarrow \mathbf{AF} \text{ack})$$

- An upwards travelling elevator at the second floor does not change its direction when it has passengers wishing to travel to the fifth floor:

$$\mathbf{AG}(\text{floor}=2 \wedge \text{direction}=\text{up} \wedge \text{button pressed}=5 \rightarrow$$
$$\mathbf{A}[\textit{direction} = \textit{up} \mathbf{U} \textit{floor} = 5])$$

An Example

Given the Kripke structure \mathcal{M}



$\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \mathbf{AG} \text{ black} ?$

$\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \mathbf{EF} \text{ black} ?$

$\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \mathbf{AF} \text{ black} ?$

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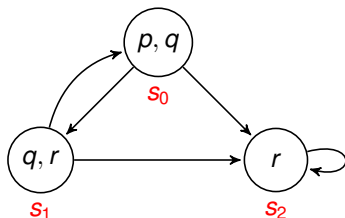
$\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \mathbf{AG EF EG} \text{ black} ?$

$\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \mathbf{AG}(\text{black} \rightarrow \mathbf{AF} \neg \text{black}) ?$

$\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \mathbf{AG}(\text{black} \rightarrow \mathbf{EF} \neg \text{black}) ?$

$\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \mathbf{AG}(\mathbf{A}[\neg \text{black} \mathbf{U} \text{black}]) ?$

Another Example



$$\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models p \wedge q$$

$$\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \neg r$$

$$\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \top$$

$$\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \mathbf{EX}(q \wedge r)$$

$$\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \neg \mathbf{AX}(q \wedge r)$$

$$\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \neg \mathbf{EF}(p \wedge r)$$

$$\mathcal{M}, s_2 \models \mathbf{EG} r$$

$$\mathcal{M}, s_2 \models \mathbf{AG} r$$

$$\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \mathbf{AF} r$$

$$\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \mathbf{E}[(p \wedge q) \mathbf{U} r]$$

$$\mathcal{M}, s_0 \models \mathbf{A}[p \mathbf{U} r]$$

Equivalences Between Formulas

Definition

Two CTL formulas ϕ and ψ are said to be *semantically equivalent*, written $\phi \equiv \psi$, if $\mathcal{M}, s \models \phi \iff \mathcal{M}, s \models \psi$, for any state s in any model \mathcal{M} .

$$\top \equiv \psi \vee \neg\psi$$

$$\phi \wedge \psi \equiv \neg(\neg\phi \vee \neg\psi)$$

$$\phi \rightarrow \psi \equiv \neg\phi \vee \psi$$

$$\neg \mathbf{AF} \phi \equiv \mathbf{EG} \neg\phi$$

$$\neg \mathbf{EF} \phi \equiv \mathbf{AG} \neg\phi$$

$$\neg \mathbf{AX} \phi \equiv \mathbf{EX} \neg\phi$$

$$\mathbf{AF} \phi \equiv \mathbf{A}[\top \mathbf{U} \phi]$$

$$\mathbf{EF} \phi \equiv \mathbf{E}[\top \mathbf{U} \phi]$$

$$\mathbf{A}[\phi \mathbf{U} \psi] \equiv \neg(\mathbf{E}[\neg\psi \mathbf{U}(\neg\phi \wedge \neg\psi)] \vee \mathbf{EG} \neg\psi)$$

Other Crucial Equivalences

$$\mathbf{AG} \phi \equiv \phi \wedge \mathbf{AX} \mathbf{AG} \phi$$

$$\mathbf{EG} \phi \equiv \phi \wedge \mathbf{EX} \mathbf{EG} \phi$$

$$\mathbf{AF} \phi \equiv \phi \vee \mathbf{AX} \mathbf{AF} \phi$$

$$\mathbf{EF} \phi \equiv \phi \vee \mathbf{EX} \mathbf{EF} \phi$$

$$\mathbf{A}[\phi \mathbf{U} \psi] \equiv \psi \vee (\phi \wedge \mathbf{AX} \mathbf{A}[\phi \mathbf{U} \psi])$$

$$\mathbf{E}[\phi \mathbf{U} \psi] \equiv \psi \vee (\phi \wedge \mathbf{EX} \mathbf{E}[\phi \mathbf{U} \psi])$$

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$$\mathbf{E}[\phi \mathbf{U} \psi] \equiv \psi \vee (\phi \wedge \mathbf{EX} \mathbf{E}[\phi \mathbf{U} \psi])$$

Similarly, $\mathbf{AF} \phi$ means that ϕ must be true at some point along each path. But this is equivalent to stating that either it must be true now, or all the successors must be such that ϕ holds at some point along each of their paths.

Preprocessing of CTL Formulas

Theorem

Any CTL formula can be transformed into a semantically equivalent CTL formula which uses only the logical connectives \perp , \neg , \wedge , **AF**, **EU**, and **EX**. We say that these connectives are an *adequate set* for CTL.

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function TRANS( $\phi$ )
  if  $\phi$  is  $\top$  then
    return  $\neg\perp$ 
  else if  $\phi$  is  $\perp$  or  $\phi \in \text{Atom}$  then
    return  $\phi$ 
  else if  $\phi$  is  $\neg\phi_1$  then
    return  $\neg\text{TRANS}(\phi_1)$ 
  else if  $\phi$  is  $\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2$  then
    return  $\text{TRANS}(\phi_1) \wedge \text{TRANS}(\phi_2)$ 
  else if  $\phi$  is  $\phi_1 \vee \phi_2$  then
    return
       $\neg(\neg\text{TRANS}(\phi_1) \wedge \neg\text{TRANS}(\phi_2))$ 
  else if  $\phi$  is  $\phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2$  then
    return  $\text{TRANS}(\neg\phi_1 \vee \phi_2)$ 
  else if  $\phi$  is AX  $\phi_1$  then
    return  $\text{TRANS}(\neg \text{EX } \neg\phi_1)$ 
  end if ...

  ...
  if  $\phi$  is EX  $\phi_1$  then
    return EX  $\text{TRANS}(\phi_1)$ 
  else if  $\phi$  is AG  $\phi_1$  then
    return  $\text{TRANS}(\neg \text{EF } \neg\phi_1)$ 
  else if  $\phi$  is EG  $\phi_1$  then
    return  $\text{TRANS}(\neg \text{AF } \neg\phi_1)$ 
  else if  $\phi$  is AF  $\phi_1$  then
    return AF  $\text{TRANS}(\phi_1)$ 
  else if  $\phi$  is EF  $\phi_1$  then
    return  $\text{TRANS}(\text{E}[ \top \text{ U } \phi_1 ])$ 
  else if  $\phi$  is A[  $\phi_1 \text{ U } \phi_2$  ] then
    return
       $\text{TRANS}(\neg(\text{E}[ \neg\phi_2 \text{ U }(\neg\phi_1 \wedge \neg\phi_2) ] \vee \text{EG } \neg\phi_2))$ 
  else if  $\phi$  is E[  $\phi_1 \text{ U } \phi_2$  ] then
    return E[  $\text{TRANS}(\phi_1) \text{ U } \text{TRANS}(\phi_2)$  ]
  end if
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