

Linear Temporal Logic (2)

Lecture #13 of Model Checking

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Overview Lecture #13

⇒ Repetition: LTL syntax and semantics

- LTL equivalence
- Expansion laws
- Positive normal form

Linear temporal logic

BNF grammar for LTL formulas over propositions AP with $a \in AP$:

$$\varphi ::= \text{true} \mid a \mid \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 \mid \neg \varphi \mid \bigcirc \varphi \mid \varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2$$

auxiliary temporal operators: $\Diamond \phi \equiv \text{true} \mathbf{U} \phi$ and $\Box \phi \equiv \neg \Diamond \neg \phi$

LTL semantics

The LT-property induced by LTL formula φ over AP is:

$Words(\varphi) = \left\{ \sigma \in (2^{AP})^\omega \mid \sigma \models \varphi \right\}$, where \models is the smallest relation satisfying:

$$\sigma \models \text{true}$$

$$\sigma \models a \quad \text{iff} \quad a \in A_0 \quad (\text{i.e., } A_0 \models a)$$

$$\sigma \models \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 \quad \text{iff} \quad \sigma \models \varphi_1 \text{ and } \sigma \models \varphi_2$$

$$\sigma \models \neg \varphi \quad \text{iff} \quad \sigma \not\models \varphi$$

$$\sigma \models \bigcirc \varphi \quad \text{iff} \quad \sigma[1..] = A_1 A_2 A_3 \dots \models \varphi$$

$$\sigma \models \varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2 \quad \text{iff} \quad \exists j \geq 0. \sigma[j..] \models \varphi_2 \text{ and } \sigma[i..] \models \varphi_1, \quad 0 \leq i < j$$

for $\sigma = A_0 A_1 A_2 \dots$ we have $\sigma[i..] = A_i A_{i+1} A_{i+2} \dots$ is the suffix of σ from index i on

Semantics of \Box , \Diamond , $\Box\Diamond$ and $\Diamond\Box$

$$\sigma \models \Diamond\varphi \quad \text{iff} \quad \exists j \geq 0. \sigma[j..] \models \varphi$$

$$\sigma \models \Box\varphi \quad \text{iff} \quad \forall j \geq 0. \sigma[j..] \models \varphi$$

$$\sigma \models \Box\Diamond\varphi \quad \text{iff} \quad \forall j \geq 0. \exists i \geq j. \sigma[i\dots] \models \varphi$$

$$\sigma \models \Diamond\Box\varphi \quad \text{iff} \quad \exists j \geq 0. \forall i \geq j. \sigma[i\dots] \models \varphi$$

LTL semantics

Let $TS = (S, Act, \rightarrow, I, AP, L)$ be a transition system without terminal states, and let φ be an LTL-formula over AP .

- For infinite path fragment π of TS :

$$\pi \models \varphi \quad \text{iff} \quad \text{trace}(\pi) \models \varphi$$

- For state $s \in S$:

$$s \models \varphi \quad \text{iff} \quad (\forall \pi \in \text{Paths}(s). \pi \models \varphi)$$

- TS satisfies φ , denoted $TS \models \varphi$, if $\text{Traces}(TS) \subseteq \text{Words}(\varphi)$

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Equivalence

LTL formulas ϕ, ψ are *equivalent*, denoted $\phi \equiv \psi$, if:

$$\text{Words}(\phi) = \text{Words}(\psi)$$

Duality and idempotence laws

Duality:

$$\begin{aligned}\neg \Box \phi &\equiv \Diamond \neg \phi \\ \neg \Diamond \phi &\equiv \Box \neg \phi \\ \neg \bigcirc \phi &\equiv \bigcirc \neg \phi\end{aligned}$$

Idempotency:

$$\begin{aligned}\Box \Box \phi &\equiv \Box \phi \\ \Diamond \Diamond \phi &\equiv \Diamond \phi \\ \phi \cup (\phi \cup \psi) &\equiv \phi \cup \psi \\ (\phi \cup \psi) \cup \psi &\equiv \phi \cup \psi\end{aligned}$$

Absorption and distributive laws

Absorption:

$$\begin{aligned}\Diamond \Box \Diamond \phi &\equiv \Box \Diamond \phi \\ \Box \Diamond \Box \phi &\equiv \Diamond \Box \phi\end{aligned}$$

Distribution:

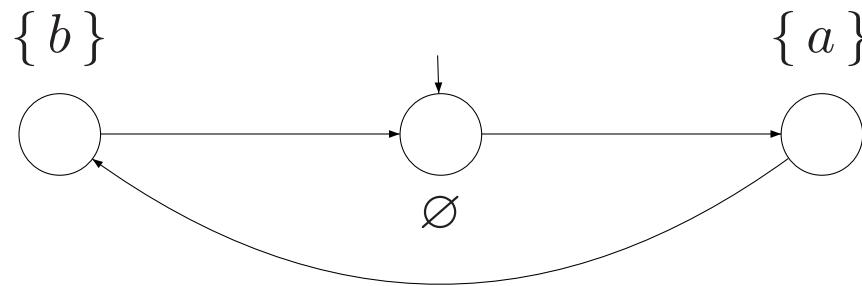
$$\begin{aligned}\bigcirc (\phi \mathbf{U} \psi) &\equiv (\bigcirc \phi) \mathbf{U} (\bigcirc \psi) \\ \Diamond (\phi \vee \psi) &\equiv \Diamond \phi \vee \Diamond \psi \\ \Box (\phi \wedge \psi) &\equiv \Box \phi \wedge \Box \psi\end{aligned}$$

but:

$$\begin{aligned}\Diamond (\phi \mathbf{U} \psi) &\not\equiv (\Diamond \phi) \mathbf{U} (\Diamond \psi) \\ \Diamond (\phi \wedge \psi) &\not\equiv \Diamond \phi \wedge \Diamond \psi \\ \Box (\phi \vee \psi) &\not\equiv \Box \phi \vee \Box \psi\end{aligned}$$

Distributive laws

$$\Diamond(a \wedge b) \not\equiv \Diamond a \wedge \Diamond b \quad \text{and} \quad \Box(a \vee b) \not\equiv \Box a \vee \Box b$$



$$TS \not\models \Diamond(a \wedge b) \quad \text{and} \quad TS \models \Diamond a \wedge \Diamond b$$

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Expansion laws

Expansion: $\phi \mathbf{U} \psi \equiv \psi \vee (\phi \wedge \bigcirc (\phi \mathbf{U} \psi))$

$$\diamond \phi \equiv \phi \vee \bigcirc \diamond \phi$$

$$\square \phi \equiv \phi \wedge \bigcirc \square \phi$$

proof on the black board

Expansion for until

$P = \text{Words}(\varphi \text{ U } \psi)$ satisfies:

$$P = \text{Words}(\psi) \cup \{ A_0 A_1 A_2 \dots \in \text{Words}(\varphi) \mid A_1 A_2 \dots \in P \}$$

and is the *smallest* LT-property such that:

$$\text{Words}(\psi) \cup \{ A_0 A_1 A_2 \dots \in \text{Words}(\varphi) \mid A_1 A_2 \dots \in P \} \subseteq P \quad (*)$$

smallest LT-property satisfying condition (*) means that:

$P = \text{Words}(\varphi \text{ U } \psi)$ satisfies (*) and $\text{Words}(\varphi \text{ U } \psi) \subseteq P$ for each P satisfying (*)

Proof

Weak until

- The *weak-until* (or: unless) operator: $\varphi W \psi \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\varphi U \psi) \vee \Box \varphi$
 - as opposed to until, $\varphi W \psi$ does not require a ψ -state to be reached

- Until U and weak until W are *dual*:

$$\neg(\varphi U \psi) \equiv (\varphi \wedge \neg\psi) W (\neg\varphi \wedge \neg\psi)$$

$$\neg(\varphi W \psi) \equiv (\varphi \wedge \neg\psi) U (\neg\varphi \wedge \neg\psi)$$

- Until and weak until are *equally expressive*:
 - $\Box\psi \equiv \psi W \text{false}$ and $\varphi U \psi \equiv (\varphi W \psi) \wedge \neg\Box\neg\psi$
- Until and weak until satisfy the *same expansion law*
 - but until is the smallest, and weak until the largest solution!

Expansion for weak until

$P = \text{Words}(\varphi \text{ W } \psi)$ satisfies:

$$P = \text{Words}(\psi) \cup \{ A_0 A_1 A_2 \dots \in \text{Words}(\varphi) \mid A_1 A_2 \dots \in P \}$$

and is the *largest* LT-property such that:

$$\text{Words}(\psi) \cup \{ A_0 A_1 A_2 \dots \in \text{Words}(\varphi) \mid A_1 A_2 \dots \in P \} \supseteq P \quad (**)$$

largest LT-property satisfying condition (**) means that:

$P \supseteq \text{Words}(\varphi \text{ W } \psi)$ satisfies (**) and $\text{Words}(\varphi \text{ W } \psi) \supseteq P$ for each P satisfying (**)

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(Weak-until) positive normal form

- Canonical form for LTL-formulas

- negations only occur adjacent to atomic propositions
- disjunctive and conjunctive normal form is a special case of PNF
- for each LTL-operator, a dual operator is needed
- e.g., $\neg(\varphi \cup \psi) \equiv ((\varphi \wedge \neg\psi) \cup (\neg\varphi \wedge \neg\psi)) \vee \Box(\varphi \wedge \neg\psi)$
- that is: $\neg(\varphi \cup \psi) \equiv (\varphi \wedge \neg\psi) \text{ W } (\neg\varphi \wedge \neg\psi)$

- For $a \in AP$, the set of LTL formulas in PNF is given by:

$$\varphi ::= \text{true} \mid \text{false} \mid a \mid \neg a \mid \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 \mid \varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2 \mid \bigcirc \varphi \mid \varphi_1 \cup \varphi_2 \mid \varphi_1 \text{ W } \varphi_2$$

- \Box and \Diamond are also permitted: $\Box\varphi \equiv \varphi \text{ W } \text{false}$ and $\Diamond\varphi = \text{true} \cup \varphi$

(Weak until) PNF is always possible

For each LTL-formula there exists an equivalent LTL-formula in PNF

Transformations:

$\neg \text{true}$	\rightsquigarrow	false
$\neg \neg \varphi$	\rightsquigarrow	φ
$\neg (\varphi \wedge \psi)$	\rightsquigarrow	$\neg \varphi \vee \neg \psi$
$\neg (\varphi \vee \psi)$	\rightsquigarrow	$\neg \varphi \wedge \neg \psi$
$\neg \bigcirc \varphi$	\rightsquigarrow	$\bigcirc \neg \varphi$
$\neg (\varphi \text{ U } \psi)$	\rightsquigarrow	$(\varphi \wedge \neg \psi) \text{ W } (\neg \varphi \wedge \neg \psi)$
$\neg \Diamond \varphi$	\rightsquigarrow	$\Box \neg \varphi$
$\neg \Box \varphi$	\rightsquigarrow	$\Diamond \neg \varphi$

but an exponential growth in size is possible

Example

Consider the LTL-formula $\neg \Box ((a \cup b) \vee \bigcirc c)$

This formula is not in PNF, but can be transformed into PNF as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & \neg \Box ((a \cup b) \vee \bigcirc c) \\ \equiv & \Diamond \neg ((a \cup b) \vee \bigcirc c) \\ \equiv & \Diamond (\neg(a \cup b) \wedge \neg \bigcirc c) \\ \equiv & \Diamond ((a \wedge \neg b) \mathbf{W} (\neg a \wedge \neg b) \wedge \bigcirc \neg c) \end{aligned}$$

can the exponential growth in size be avoided?

The release operator

- The *release* operator: $\varphi R \psi \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \neg(\neg\varphi U \neg\psi)$
 - ψ always holds, a requirement that is released as soon as φ holds

- Until U and release R are *dual*:

$$\varphi U \psi \equiv \neg\varphi R \neg\psi$$

$$\varphi R \psi \equiv \neg(\neg\varphi U \neg\psi)$$

- Until and release are *equally expressive*:

$$\neg \Box \psi \equiv \text{false } R \psi \text{ and } \varphi U \psi \equiv \neg\varphi R \neg\psi$$

- Release satisfies the *expansion law*: $\varphi R \psi \equiv \psi \wedge (\varphi \vee \bigcirc(\varphi R \psi))$

Semantics of release

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \sigma \models \varphi \mathbf{R} \psi & \\
 \text{iff} & (* \text{ definition of } \mathbf{R} *) \\
 \neg \exists j \geq 0. \left(\sigma[j..] \models \neg \psi \wedge \forall i < j. \sigma[i..] \models \neg \varphi \right) & \\
 \text{iff} & (* \text{ semantics of negation } *) \\
 \neg \exists j \geq 0. \left(\sigma[j..] \not\models \psi \wedge \forall i < j. \sigma[i..] \not\models \varphi \right) & \\
 \text{iff} & (* \text{ duality of } \exists \text{ and } \forall *) \\
 \forall j \geq 0. \neg \left(\sigma[j..] \not\models \psi \wedge \forall i < j. \sigma[i..] \not\models \varphi \right) & \\
 \text{iff} & (* \text{ de Morgan's law } *) \\
 \forall j \geq 0. \left(\neg(\sigma[j..] \not\models \psi) \vee \neg \forall i < j. \sigma[i..] \not\models \varphi \right) & \\
 \text{iff} & (* \text{ semantics of negation } *) \\
 \forall j \geq 0. \left(\sigma[j..] \models \psi \vee \exists i < j. \sigma[i..] \models \varphi \right) & \\
 \text{iff} & \\
 \forall j \geq 0. \sigma[j..] \models \psi \quad \text{or} \quad \exists i \geq 0. \left(\sigma[i..] \models \varphi \right) \wedge \forall k \leq i. \sigma[k..] \models \psi &
 \end{array}$$

Positive normal form (revisited)

For $a \in AP$, LTL formulas in PNF are given by:

$$\varphi ::= \text{true} \mid \text{false} \mid a \mid \neg a \mid \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 \mid \varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2 \mid \bigcirc \varphi \mid \varphi_1 \mathbf{U} \varphi_2 \mid \varphi_1 \mathbf{R} \varphi_2$$

PNF in linear size

For any LTL-formula φ there exists
an equivalent LTL-formula ψ in PNF with $|\psi| = \mathcal{O}(|\varphi|)$

Transformations:

$\neg \text{true}$	\rightsquigarrow	false
$\neg \neg \varphi$	\rightsquigarrow	φ
$\neg (\varphi \wedge \psi)$	\rightsquigarrow	$\neg \varphi \vee \neg \psi$
$\neg (\varphi \vee \psi)$	\rightsquigarrow	$\neg \varphi \wedge \neg \psi$
$\neg \bigcirc \varphi$	\rightsquigarrow	$\bigcirc \neg \varphi$
$\neg (\varphi \text{ U } \psi)$	\rightsquigarrow	$\neg \varphi \text{ R } \neg \psi$
$\neg \Diamond \varphi$	\rightsquigarrow	$\Box \neg \varphi$
$\neg \Box \varphi$	\rightsquigarrow	$\Diamond \neg \varphi$