

Algorithmic Verification

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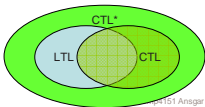
Overview

- Modelling
 - Deterministic finite automata
 - In each state *exactly one* outgoing transition *for every* possible label
 - Nondeterministic finite automata
 - Any finite number of outgoing transitions for each state and label permitted
 - Büchi automata
 - Accepting condition on infinite runs
 - Kripke structures
 - Set of labels on the states rather than on transitions. No final states, no acceptance condition.

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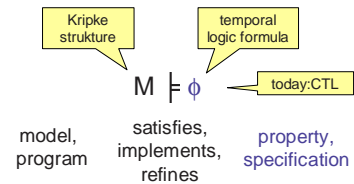
Overview

- Specification
 - Linear Time Logic
 - Describes behaviour along infinite paths
 - Computation Tree Logic
 - Describes behavior that is possible starting from a state
 - CTL*
 - Relaxes CTL, encompasses both LTL and CTL.
 - Strictly more expressive than CTL and LTL.



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Model Checking



M satisfies ϕ iff all initial states satisfy ϕ

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CTL model checking

- A straightforward labelling algorithm for CTL
- Given a Kripke structure $M=(S, s_0, \rightarrow, \mu)$

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CTL model checking

bool c1 := True
bool c2 := True

While (True){	//process 1	While (True){	//process 2
0 c1 := False		0 c2 := False	
1 While (!c2){}	//busy wait	1 While (!c1){}	//busy wait
2 critical section 1		2 critical section 2	
3 c1 := True}		3 c2 := True}	

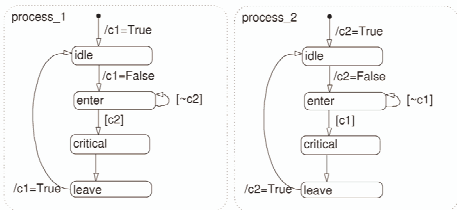
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Safety: None of the two processes should be in the critical section at the same time.

Fairness: Each process should be able to enter the critical section.

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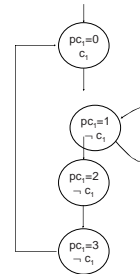
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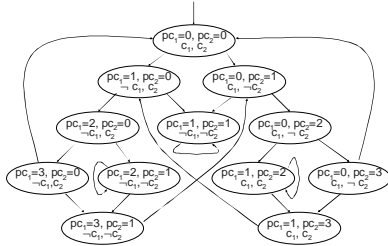
Atomic propositions:

- $pc_1=0$
- $pc_1=1$
- $pc_1=2$
- $pc_1=3$
- c_1



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CTL model checking



Kripke structure

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CTL model checking

- A labelling algorithm of CTL
 - Given a Kripke structure $M=(S, s_0, \rightarrow, \mu)$
 - Given a CTL specification

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CTL model checking

Syntax

$$\phi ::= p \mid \neg\phi \mid \phi_1 \vee \phi_2 \mid AX\phi \mid EX\phi \mid AF\phi \mid EF\phi \mid AG\phi \mid EG\phi \mid A(\phi_1 U \phi_2) \mid E(\phi_1 U \phi_2)$$

Every CTL formula can be translated into Existential Normal Form (ENF)

$$\phi ::= p \mid \neg\phi \mid \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2 \mid EX\phi \mid E(\phi_1 U \phi_2) \mid EG\phi$$

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CTL model checking

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CTL model checking

Example

$AG AF \neg(\rho_{c_1} = 1 \wedge \rho_{c_2} = 1)$

is equivalent to

$\neg E[true U EG (\rho_{c_1} = 1 \wedge \rho_{c_2} = 1)]$

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CTL model checking

- A labelling algorithm of CTL
 - Given a Kripke structure $M=(S, s_0, \rightarrow, \mu)$
 - Given a CTL specification
 - Convert it to ENF
 - For all sub-formulas label states that satisfy them

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CTL model checking

For all sub-formulas label states that satisfy them

- Recursive bottom-up computation:
 - consider the parse-tree of ϕ
 - start with atomic propositions ρ in the leafs of the tree
 - for all states s if $\rho \in \mu(s)$ add ρ to the labels of s
 - go one level up in the tree and check sub-formula
 - if subformula is true in s , add it to $labels(s)$
 - proceed until the root of the tree is checked
- $M \models \phi$ if the initial state is labelled ϕ

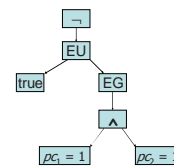
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CTL model checking

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Consider the parse tree



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CTL Model checking

- Let $label(s)$ the set of labels of state s
- Initially $label(s) = \{true\}$
- Given a sub-formula ϕ in ENF there are six cases to consider

$\phi ::= p \mid \neg\phi \mid \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2 \mid EX\phi \mid E(\phi_1 \cup \phi_2) \mid EG\phi$

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Labelling algorithm

Case 1: $\phi \in AP$

Add ϕ to labels of s if $\phi \in \mu(s)$

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Labelling algorithm

Case 2: ϕ is of the form $\neg\phi$

Add ϕ to labels of s if $\phi \notin labels(s)$

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Labelling algorithm

Case 3: ϕ is of the form $\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2$

Add ϕ to labels of s if $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in labels(s)$

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Labelling algorithm

Case 4: ϕ is of the form $\exists x \phi$

Add ϕ to labels of s if

$$\exists (s, s') \in \rightarrow \text{ such that } \phi \in \text{labels}(s')$$

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Labelling algorithm

Case 5: ϕ is of the form $\exists x \phi_1 \cup \phi_2$

1. Add ϕ to labels to s if $\phi_2 \in \text{labels}(s)$
2. Add ϕ to labels to s if
 - $\phi \in \text{labels}(s')$
 - $(s, s') \in \rightarrow$
 - $\phi_1 \in \text{labels}(s)$
3. Repeat step 2 as long as new labels can be added

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Labelling algorithm

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Explore state space from states that satisfy ϕ_2 backwards,
as long as states satisfy ϕ_1

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Labelling algorithm

Case 6: ϕ is of the form $\exists x \phi$

The most
challenging case

Basic idea

- look for loops on which ϕ holds.
- look for paths on which ϕ holds to those loops

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Labelling algorithm

Case 6: ϕ is of the form EG ϕ

Step 1: find loops on which ϕ holds

Create graph $M' = (S', \rightarrow', \mu')$ from M with

- S' are all states s with by removing all states $s \in S$ in which $\phi \notin \text{labels}(s)$
- update \rightarrow', μ' accordingly

This is a graph, not a Kripke structure

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Labelling algorithm

Case 6: ϕ is of the form EG ϕ

Find nontrivial strongly connected components of M'

- A strongly connected component (SCC) C is
 - a maximal subgraph such that every node in C is reachable by every other node in C on a directed path that is contained entirely within C .
- C is nontrivial iff either
 - it has more than one node or
 - it contains one node with a self loop

Use Tarjan's algorithm to compute SCCs

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Labelling algorithm

Case 6: ϕ is of the form EG ϕ

Step 2: find paths on which ϕ holds to SCCs

1. Add ϕ to labels to $s \in S'$ if s is in a SCC
2. Add ϕ to labels to $s \in S'$ if
 - $\phi \in \text{labels}(s')$
 - $(s, s') \in \rightarrow'$
 - $\phi \in \text{labels}(s)$
3. Repeat step 2 as long as new labels can be added

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Labelling algorithm

Case 6: ϕ is of the form EG ϕ

Lemma: $M, s \models \text{EG } \phi$ iff

1. $s \in S'$
2. There exists a path in M' that leads from s to a nontrivial strongly connected component of M' .

Intuition behind proof

- If there exists a path from s to a cycle and ϕ holds in every state (by construction), then there exists an infinite path on which ϕ holds
- If there exists an infinite path over finite states, then it must end in a cycle, i.e. a sub-graph of a SCC.

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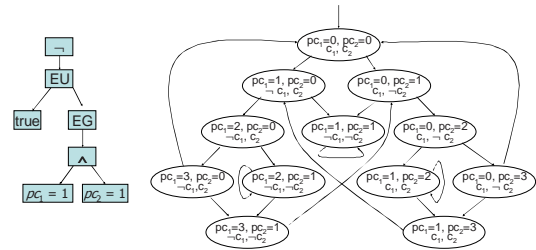
Labelling algorithm

Summary

- Start with the atomic propositions, and proceed with sub-formulae as follows
 1. If $\phi \in AP$ label s if $\phi \in \mu(s)$
 2. If $\phi = \neg \varphi$ label all states not labelled φ
 3. If $\phi = \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2$ label all states labelled ϕ_1 and ϕ_2
 4. If $\phi = EX \varphi$, if it has successor labelled φ
 5. If $\phi = E \phi_1 U \phi_2$, explore state space from states that satisfy ϕ_2 backwards, as long as states satisfy ϕ_1
 6. If $\phi = EG \varphi$ label states in SCCs of the graph, restricted to the states that satisfy φ . Backtrack from those states.

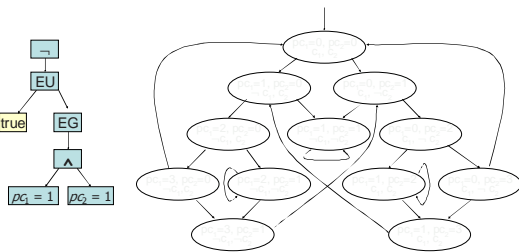
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Example



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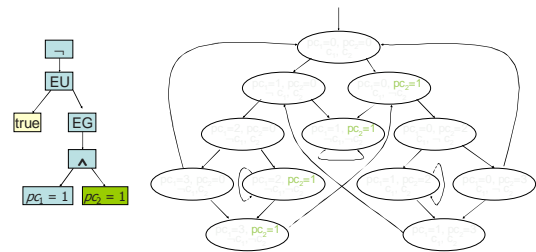
Example



"True" is trivially in each set of labels

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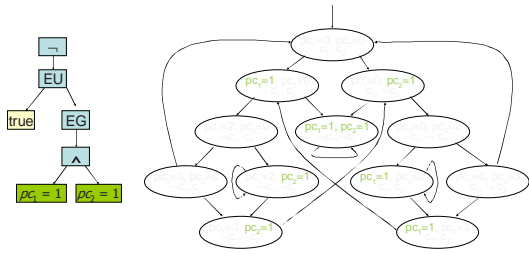
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Start with the atomic propositions

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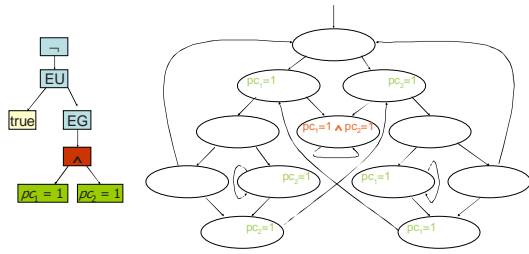
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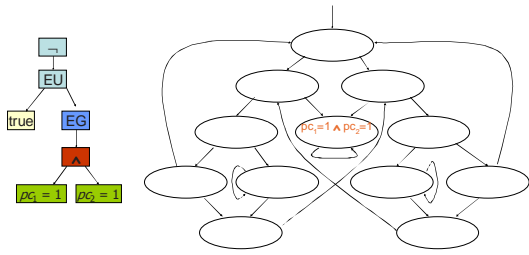
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Go up one level

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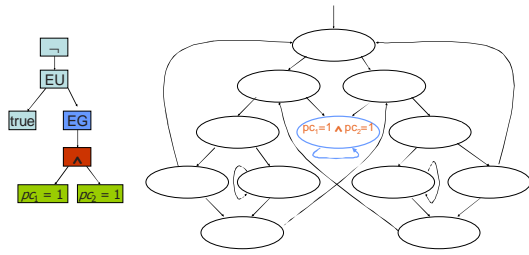
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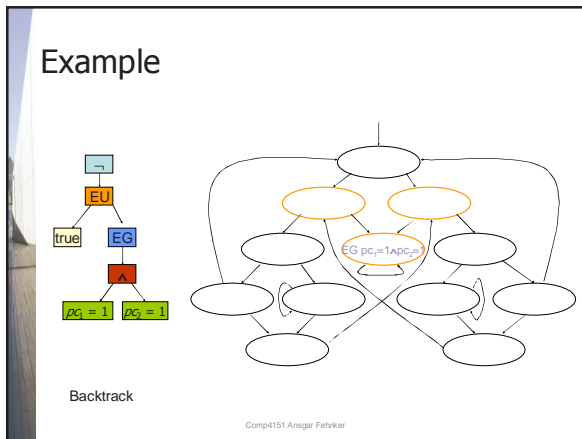
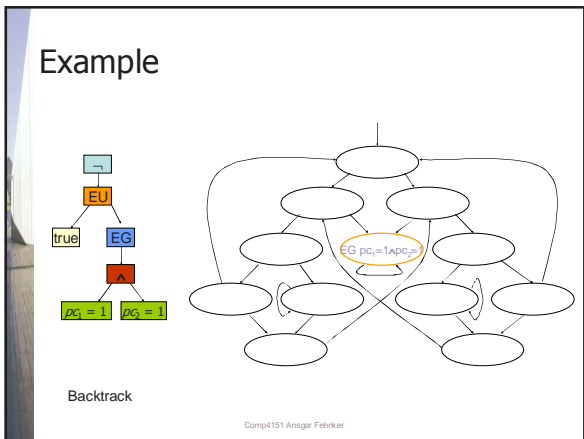
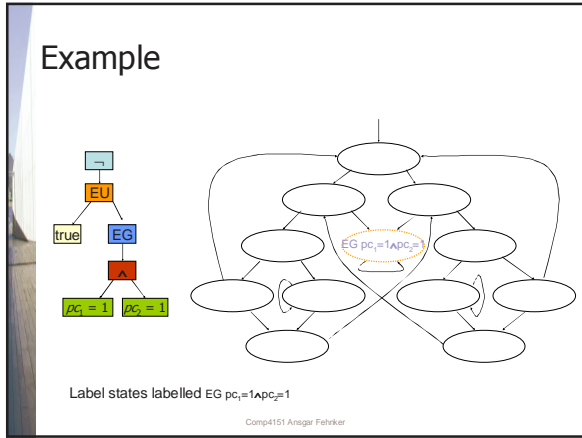
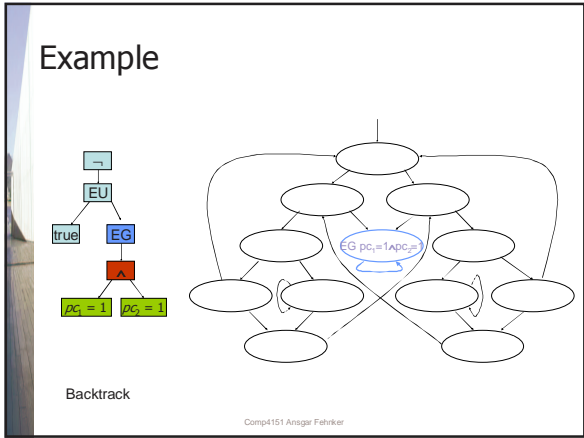
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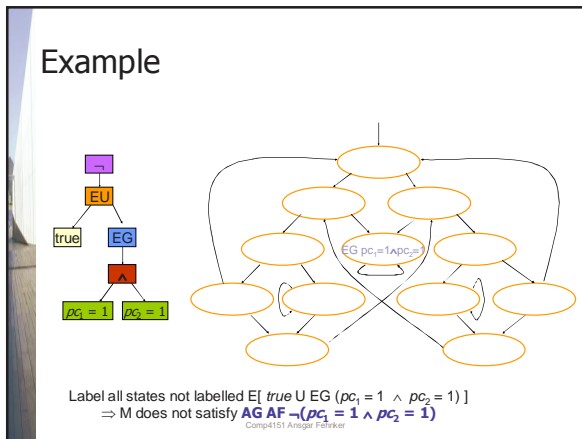
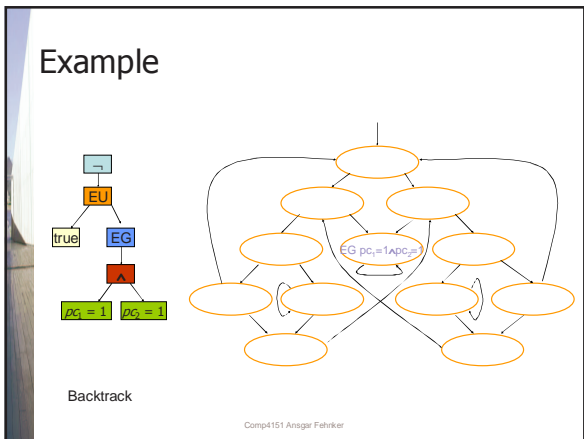
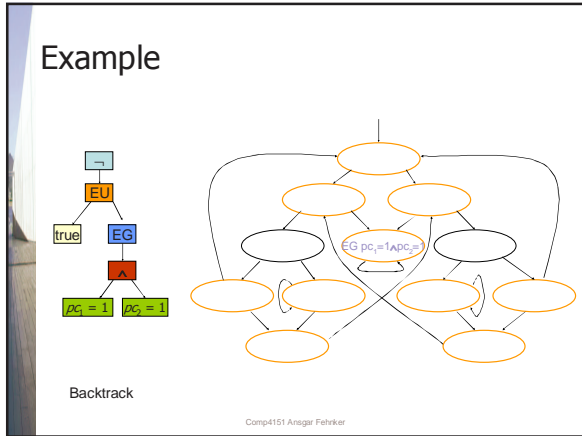
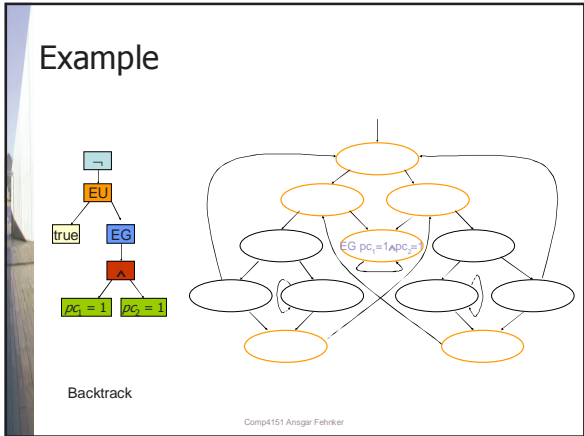
Example



Find nontrivial SCCs

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CTL Model checking

Complexity

- partitioning the states into strongly connected components is $O(|S|+|\rightarrow|)$
- Exploring the transition relation has complexity $O(|S|+|\rightarrow|)$
- n sub-formulas of the CTL formula ϕ

\Rightarrow complexity is $O(|\phi| * (|S|+|\rightarrow|))$

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Fairness and Model Checking

Reminder

weak fairness

if an event is continuously enabled, it will occur infinitely often

➤ in LTL: $GF (\neg \text{enabled} \vee \text{occurs})$

strong fairness

if a event is infinitely often enabled it will occur infinitely often

➤ in LTL: $GF \text{ enabled} \Rightarrow GF \text{ occurs}$

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Fairness and Model Checking

Reminder

Weak/strong fairness can be expressed in LTL,
however, not in CTL

in **LTL model checking** fairness can be added directly
as an assumption

in **CTL model checking** fairness has to be build into
the model checking algorithm

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Fair CTL model checking

Given a strong CTL fairness constraint

Weak fairness
analogously

$$\Psi_{\text{fair}} = GF \Psi_1 \Rightarrow GF \Psi_2$$

with Ψ_1 and Ψ_2 CTL formulas.

The behaviour of M is restricted to paths that are fair.

Fairness constraint is LTL formula over CTL state formulas!

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Fair CTL model checking

Fair semantics for CTL state formulas

- $M, s \models p$ iff $p \in \mu(s)$
- $M, s \models \neg\phi$ iff not $M, s \models \phi$
- $M, s \models \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2$ iff $M, s \models \phi_1$ and $M, s \models \phi_2$
- $M, s \models A\phi$ iff for all **fair** paths π starting in s , $M, \pi \models \phi$
- $M, s \models E\phi$ iff there exists a **fair** path π starting in s , such that $M, \pi \models \phi$

Semantics for path formulas remain the same.

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Fair CTL model checking

Given fairness constraint $\Psi_{\text{fair}} = GF \Psi_1 \Rightarrow GF \Psi_2$ and Kripke structure $M = (S, s_0, \rightarrow, \mu)$

Label all states that satisfy Ψ_1 and Ψ_2 with Ψ_1 and Ψ_2

Use CTL model checking

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Fair CTL model checking

Revisiting the cases

Given a CTL formula ϕ in ENF deal with sub-formulae as follows

1. If $\phi \in AP$ label s if $\phi \in \mu(s)$
2. If $\phi = \neg\psi$ label all states not labelled ψ
3. If $\phi = \psi_1 \wedge \psi_2$ label all states labelled ψ_1 and ψ_2

The first three cases remain the same

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Fair CTL model checking

Case 4: ϕ is of the form $EX \psi$

Add ϕ to labels of s if $\exists (s, s') \in \rightarrow$ such that

$$\psi \in \text{labels}(s') \text{ and } M, s' \models E\Psi_{\text{fair}}$$

We use

$$M, \pi \models \Psi_{\text{fair}} \text{ iff } \exists k \geq 0. M, \pi^k \models \Psi_{\text{fair}} \text{ iff } \forall k \geq 0. M, \pi^k \models \Psi_{\text{fair}}$$

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Fair CTL model checking

Computing $M, s \models E\Psi_{\text{fair}}$

Basic idea

Find a path from s to a cycle s_0, \dots, s_n such that either

for all $0 \leq i \leq n$ $\Psi_1 \in \text{label}(s_i)$ or
there exist $0 \leq i \leq n$ $\Psi_2 \in \text{label}(s_i)$

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Fair CTL model checking

Labelling

1. Label all states in SCCs C of M with Ψ_{fair} if
 - there exists a $s \in C$ s.t. $\Psi_2 \in \text{label}(s)$ or
 - if there exists a SCC D in C' , the restriction of C to states with $\Psi_1 \in \text{label}(s)$
2. Backtrack from there, labelling states
3. Label states $EX\phi$ if they have a successor labelled ϕ and Ψ_{fair}

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Fair CTL model checking

Case 5: ϕ is of the form $E\phi_1 U \phi_2$

1. Add ϕ to labels to s if $\phi_2 \in \text{labels}(s)$
2. Add ϕ to labels to s if
 - $\phi, \Psi_{\text{fair}} \in \text{labels}(s')$
 - $(s, s') \in \rightarrow$
 - $\phi_1 \in \text{labels}(s)$
3. Repeat step 2 as long as new labels can be added

Compute the states that must be labelled Ψ_{fair} as before

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Fair CTL model checking

Case 6: ϕ is of the form $EG\phi$

1. Create graph $M' = (S', \rightarrow', \mu')$ from M with
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2. Label all states in M' that satisfy $E\Psi_{\text{fair}}$

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Fair CTL model checking

Complexity

- For each several fairness constraints procedure has to be applied recursively
- For n sub-formulas of the CTL formula ϕ , and k fairness constraints

\Rightarrow complexity is $O(|\phi| * (|S| + |\rightarrow|)^k)$

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Summary

- CTL model checking is
 - Linear in the size of the state space
 - Linear in the length of the formula
 - Linear in the number of fairness constraints

- Fairness constraints are few.
- Formulas are short.
- States explode !

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