

Temporal Logic

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Outline

- Why not “standard” logic?
- What is temporal logic?
- LTL
- CTL*
- CTL
- Fairness

Model Checking Problem

?

$M \models \phi$

model, program satisfies, implements, refines property, specification

How to formalize the different components?

for this lecture we assume M is given as a Kripke structure.
what about \models and ϕ ?

Kripke Structure

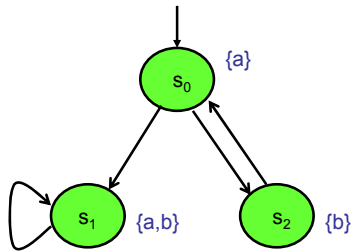
Given a set of atomic propositions AP.

Kripke structure $M=(S, s_0, \rightarrow, \mu)$ is defined by

- S set of states
- s_0 initial state
- $\rightarrow \subseteq S \times S$ transition relation (total)
- $\mu: S \rightarrow 2^{AP}$ labeling function

Any infinite run is accepting, i.e., like Buchi automaton where every state is a final state. Product as for NFA.

Example



How to define properties formally?

- Kripke structure
- automata
- ω regular expression
- logics

Logic can provide succinct notation, "close" to natural language.

Propositional Logic

Syntax

$$\phi ::= p \mid \neg\phi \mid \phi_1 \vee \phi_2$$

Other connectivities (\wedge , \Leftrightarrow , \Rightarrow , ...) can be derived (see next slide)

Propositional Logic

Semantics

Given a state s in a Kripke structure M we define $M, s \models \phi$ inductively by:

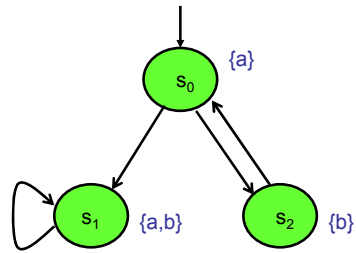
$$\begin{array}{ll} M, s \models p & \Leftrightarrow p \in \mu(s) \\ M, s \models \neg\phi & \Leftrightarrow \text{not } M, s \models \phi \\ M, s \models \phi_1 \vee \phi_2 & \Leftrightarrow M, s \models \phi_1 \text{ or } M, s \models \phi_2 \end{array}$$

(\wedge , \Leftrightarrow , \Rightarrow , true, false...)

Propositional logic is good at describing "static" situations.

Example

- $M, s_0 \models avb$
- $M, s_1 \models a$
- $M, s_2 \models \neg a$

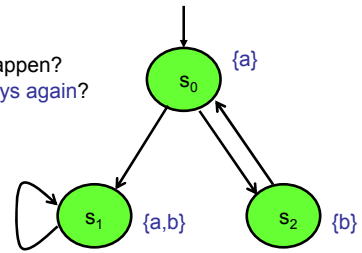


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Example

How to describe:

- eventually b will happen?
- a will happen *always* again?



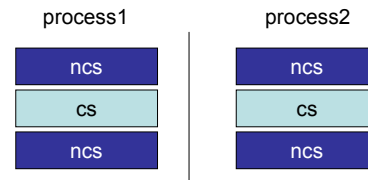
Propositional logic is unsuitable for describing "dynamic" behavior.

Dynamic Behavior

Important for reactive systems

- security protocols
- hardware
- operating systems
- embedded systems
- ...

Mutual Exclusion



always only one process in cs
 eventually process1 in cs
 always eventually process2 in cs

cs = critical section
 ncs = none critical section

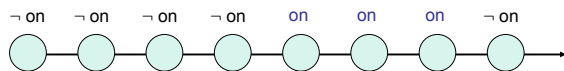
LTL

Temporal Logics

- originate from philosophy
- how to express statements including time?
- what is an appropriate model?
 - real-time vs discrete time
 - linear time vs branching time (deterministic vs non-deterministic)
 - ...

(P)LTL

- Propositional Linear time Temporal Logic
- discrete time
- linear (deterministic) progression



LTL Syntax

- PLTL formula are inductively defined by:

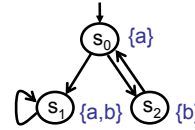
$$\phi ::= p \mid \neg \phi \mid \phi_1 \vee \phi_2 \mid X\phi \mid F\phi \mid G\phi \mid \phi_1 U \phi_2$$

- p denotes atomic proposition
- X denotes next-state operator
- F denotes eventually/finally
- G denotes always/globally
- U denotes until

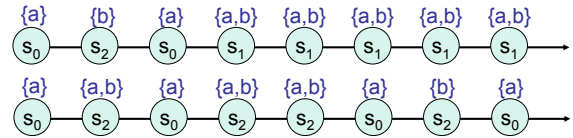
LTL semantics

- LTL formula ϕ interpreted over infinite paths of states $\pi = s_0 s_1 s_2 \dots$
- we define LTL wrt Kripke structure M
- $M, \pi \models \phi$ denotes ϕ holds in a path π of Kripke structure M .
- $M \models \phi$ iff all paths of M satisfy ϕ , i.e., for all π in M we have $M, \pi \models \phi$

Paths in Kripke Structures



remember transition relation is total

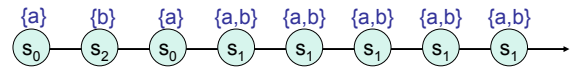


Semantics of LTL Operators

let π^k denote suffix $s_k s_{k+1} s_{k+2} \dots$ where $k \geq 0$

- $M, \pi \models p$ iff $s_0 \models p$, i.e., $p \in \mu(s_0)$
- $M, \pi \models \neg \phi$ iff not $M, \pi \models \phi$
- $M, \pi \models \phi_1 \vee \phi_2$ iff $M, \pi \models \phi_1$ or $M, \pi \models \phi_2$
- $M, \pi \models X\phi$ iff $M, \pi^1 \models \phi$, i.e., $s_1 s_2 s_3 \dots$ satisfies ϕ
- $M, \pi \models F\phi$ iff $\exists k \geq 0$ s.t. $M, \pi^k \models \phi$
- $M, \pi \models G\phi$ iff $\forall k \geq 0$ $M, \pi^k \models \phi$
- $M, \pi \models \phi_1 U \phi_2$ iff $\exists \geq 0$ s.t. $M, \pi^k \models \phi_2$ and $\forall 0 \leq j < k$ we have $M, \pi^j \models \phi_1$

Example



path π satisfies:

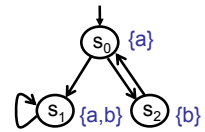
- $M, \pi \models a$
- $M, \pi \models \neg b$
- $M, \pi \models Xb$
- $M, \pi \models Fa$
- $M, \pi \models FG(a \wedge b)$
- $M, \pi \models F(bUa)$
- $M, \pi \models FG(aUb)$
- what else?

Exercise

Which temporal operators can be expressed through one or more of the others?
Which cannot?

$M \models \phi$

$M \models \phi$ iff $M, \pi \models \phi$ for all paths π



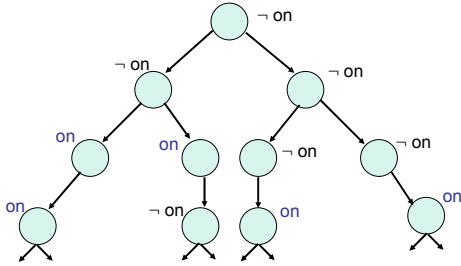
Which properties satisfy this Kripke structure?

CTL*

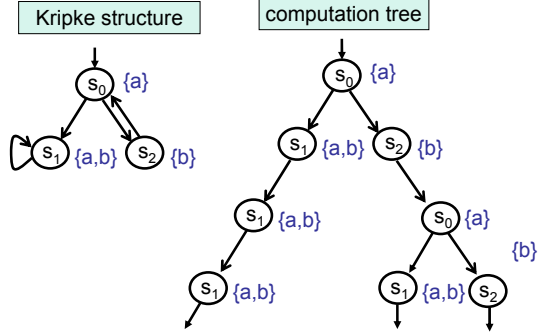
CTL*

- Computational Tree Logic (star)
- discrete time
- branching (non-deterministic) progression
- describes properties of computation trees
- more powerful than LTL

Computation Trees



Unwinding Kripke Structure



Operators in CTL*

- temporal operators
 - same as LTL, describe properties of paths
- path quantifiers
 - A: for all paths (\forall) ...
 - E: there exists a path (\exists) ...
- more formally ...

CTL* Formulae

- propositional logic as underlying "static" logic
- two different types of formulae
 - state formula: properties of a state
 - path formulas: property of a path
- all LTL formulae are path formulae
- state formulae \neq "static" propositional formulae

State Formulae

$$\phi_s ::= p \mid \neg\phi_s \mid \phi_{s1} \vee \phi_{s2} \mid A\phi_\pi \mid E\phi_\pi$$

- ϕ_s denotes state formula
- ϕ_π path formula
- p atomic proposition
- $A\phi_\pi$ and $E\phi_\pi$ are state formulas
- set of all state formulae = set of all legal CTL* formulae

Path Quantifiers in State Formulae

- A and E are **path quantifiers**
- denote universal and existential quantification over paths starting in a certain state
- $A\phi_\pi$ holds in a state s
iff **for all paths** starting in s , ϕ_π holds
- $E\phi_\pi$ holds in a state s
iff **there exists a path** starting in s ,
s.t. ϕ_π holds

Path Formulae

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- every LTL formula is path formula
- all state formulae are also path formulae
- nesting: $A(GF(A a \vee b))$ (example tree?)

Semantics of CTL*

- define semantics w.r.t. Kripke structure M
- $M, s \models \phi$ denotes
state formula ϕ holds in a state s of M
- $M, \pi \models \phi$ denotes
path formula ϕ holds for path π in M
- \models defined inductively, as before

Semantics of CTL* State Formulae

- $M, s \models p$ 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 paths π starting in s , $M, \pi \models \phi$
- $M, s \models E\phi$ iff there exists a paths π starting in s , such that $M, \pi \models \phi$

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- $M, \pi \models G\phi$ iff $\forall k \leq 0$ $M, \pi^k \models \phi$
- $M, \pi \models \phi_1 \cup \phi_2$ iff $\exists k \leq 0$ s.t. $M, \pi^k \models \phi_2$ and $\forall 0 \leq j < k$ we have $M, \pi^j \models \phi_1$

basically, same as before

LTL vs. CTL*

$\phi \in \text{LTL}$ implies $A\phi \in \text{CTL}^*$

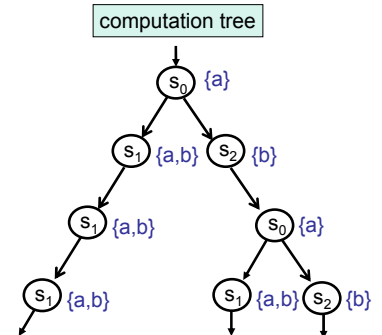
$EF\phi \in \text{CTL}^*$ but not expressible in LTL (other examples?)

LTL strictly less expressive than CTL*

Examples

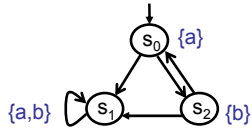
root state s_0 satisfies:

- $M, s_0 \models Aa$
- $M, s_0 \models A(\neg b)$
- $M, s_0 \models AXb$
- $M, s_0 \models EFa$
- $M, s_0 \models EFAa$
- what else?



$M \models \phi$

$M \models \phi$ ($\phi \in \text{CTL}^*$) iff $M, s_0 \models \phi$ for **initial** state s_0



Which properties satisfies this Kripke structure?

CTL

a fragment of CTL^*

CTL

- CTL is restricted version of CTL^*
- temporal operators as in CTL^*
- path quantifier as in CTL^*
- However, no unrestricted nesting and Boolean combinations of path formulae (next slide)

CTL Syntax

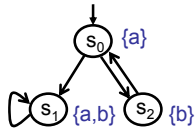
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- no arbitrary nesting
- path qualifiers and temporal operators alternate
- no Boolean combinations of path formulae

Not allowed: $a \wedge Fq$, $E(A(F(a \vee b)))$, ..., what else?

Example

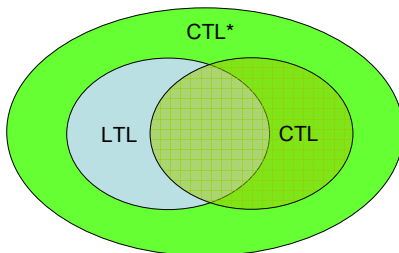
Which CTL properties hold for this Kripke structure?



LTL vs. CTL vs. CTL*

- **LTL** sublogic of **CTL***
 - $(EF \phi \in \text{CTL}^*, \text{not expressible in LTL})$
- **CTL** sublogic of **CTL***
 - $(FG \phi \in \text{CTL}^*, \text{not expressible in CTL})$
- **LTL** and **CTL** not comparable
 - $FG \phi \in \text{LTL}, \text{not expressible in CTL}$
 - $EF \phi \in \text{CTL}, \text{not expressible in LTL}$

LTL vs. CTL vs. CTL*



Safety and Liveness

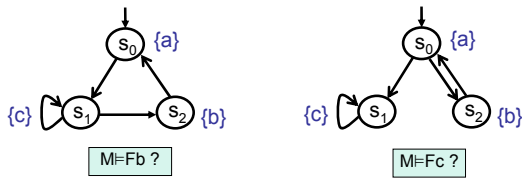
safety: “never something bad will happen”
 $AG \neg(in1 \wedge in2)$

liveness: “eventually something good will happen”
 $EF \text{ safe}$

rule of thumb: liveness properties iff counter example requires an infinite trace/infinite deep tree

Fairness

Often liveness properties cannot be proven without certain assumptions, i.e., **fairness**.



Weak/Strong Fairness

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: $GF \text{ enabled} \Rightarrow GF \text{ occurs}$

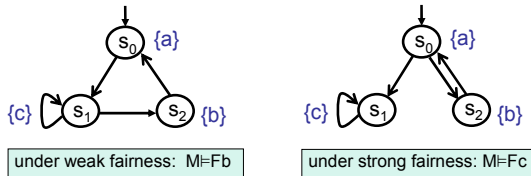
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Fairness and Model Checking

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

Summary

This Lecture

- temporal logic to specify behavior over time
- LTL: linear structure (for all paths)
- CTL(*): branching structure (selective paths)
- LTL, CTL sublogics of CTL*
- CTL, LTL not comparable
- different classes of properties (safety/liveness, fairness)

Next Lecture

- CTL model checking
- how does it work