

## Automata, Games, and Verification: Lecture 15

## 20 Alternating-time Temporal Logic

### Syntax

- *ATL state formulas:*
  - $a \in AP$  atomic proposition
  - $\neg \Phi$  and  $\Phi \wedge \Psi$  negation and conjunction
  - $\langle\langle A \rangle\rangle \varphi$  agents in  $A$  have strategy to enforce  $\varphi$
- *ATL path formulas* as for CTL.

$A \subseteq \{1, \dots, k\}$  is a set of players.

### Semantics

**Definition 1** A concurrent game structure  $(k, AP, S, s_0, d, \delta, L)$  consists of

- $k \in \mathbb{N}$ : number of players
- $AP$ : atomic propositions
- $S$ : finite set of states,  $s_0 \in S$ : initial state
- $d : \{1, \dots, k\} \times S \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ : number of moves available to player
- $\delta : S \times \{1, \dots, d(1)\} \times \dots \times \{1, \dots, d(k)\} \rightarrow S$ : transition function
- $L : S \rightarrow 2^{AP}$ : labeling function
- A strategy for player  $a$  is a function  $f_a : S^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  such that  $f_a(\sigma \cdot q) \leq d_a(q)$ .
- Given a set  $F_A = \{f_a \mid a \in A\}$  of strategies for a set of players  $A$ , the *outcomes*  $Outcomes(F_A, s)$  of  $F_A$  from state  $s$  are the paths  $s_0 s_1 s_2 \dots$  such that  $s_0 = s$  and for all  $i \geq 0$  there is a vector  $(j_1, \dots, j_k) \in \mathbb{N}^k$  such that
  - $j_a = f_a(s_0 \dots s_i)$  for all players  $a \in A$ , and
  - $\delta(s_i, j_1, \dots, j_k) = s_{i+1}$
- $s \models \langle\langle A \rangle\rangle \varphi$  iff there exists a set of strategies  $F_A$  for the players in  $A$ , such that  $\pi \models \varphi$  for all  $\pi \in Outcomes(F_A, s)$ .

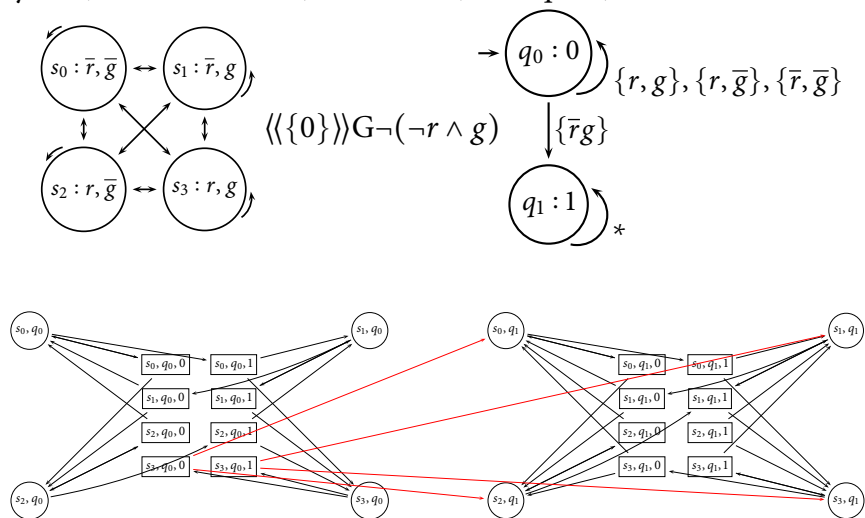
## Synthesis games

- Let  $\mathcal{T} = (k, AP, S, s_0, d, \delta)$  be a concurrent game structure.
- Let  $\langle\langle A \rangle\rangle \varphi$  be an ATL\* formula where  $\varphi$  is an LTL formula.
- Let  $\mathcal{A}_\varphi = (\Sigma, Q_\varphi, q_0, \delta_\varphi, c_\varphi)$  be a complete deterministic parity automaton with  $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}_\varphi) = \mathcal{L}(\varphi)$ .

The *synthesis game*  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{T}, \varphi, A) = ((V_0, V_1, E), c)$ :

- $V_0 = S \times Q_\varphi$
- $V_1 = S \times Q_\varphi \times \{j_a : \{1, \dots, d_a(s)\}\}_{a \in A}$
- $E = \{(s, q), (s, q, \{j_a\}_{a \in A}) \mid j_a \in \{1, \dots, d_a(s)\}\} \cup \{((s, q, \{j_a\}_{a \in A}), (s', q')) \mid q' = \delta_\varphi(q, L(s)) \text{ and there is a vector } (j'_1, \dots, j'_k) \in \mathbb{N}^k \text{ such that } j'_a = j_a \text{ for all players } a \in A \text{ and } \delta(s, j'_1, \dots, j'_k) = s'\}$
- $c = c_\varphi(s)$  for  $s \in S$  and 0 otherwise.

**Example:** Consider the following resource manager, where player o (the system) controls  $g$  (the grant) and player 1 (the environment) controls  $r$  (the request).



## ATL\* model checking

**for all**  $i \leq |\Phi|$

**for all**  $\Psi \in \text{Subformulas}(\Phi)$  with  $|\Psi| = i$

**switch**( $\Psi$ ):

$true$  :  $Sat(\Psi) := S$ ;  
 $a$  :  $Sat(\Psi) := \{q \in S \mid a \in L(q)\}$ ;  
 $a_1 \wedge a_2$  :  $Sat(\Psi) := Sat(a_1) \cap Sat(a_2)$ ;  
 $\neg a$  :  $Sat(\Psi) := S \setminus Sat(a)$ ;  
 $\langle\langle A \rangle\rangle\varphi$  :  $Sat$  is winning set in synthesis game

**end switch**

$AP := AP \cup \{a_\Psi\}$ ; % introduce fresh atomic proposition

replace  $\Psi$  with  $a_\Psi$

**forall**  $q \in Sat(\Psi)$  **do**  $L(q) := L(q) \cup \{a_\Psi\}$ ; **od**

**return**  $Sat(\Phi)$

## 21 Strategy Logic

Variables:

- $x_1, x_2, \dots$ : strategies of Player 1
- $y_1, y_2, \dots$ : strategies of Player 2

SL state formulas:

$$\Phi ::= true \mid a \mid \Phi_1 \wedge \Phi_2 \mid \neg\Phi \mid \Psi$$

SL path formulas:

$$\varphi ::= \Phi \mid \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 \mid \neg\varphi \mid X\varphi \mid \varphi_1 \mathcal{U} \varphi_2$$

SL strategy formulas:

$$\Gamma ::= \varphi(x, y) \mid \Gamma_1 \wedge \Gamma_2 \mid \neg\Gamma \mid \exists x.\Gamma \mid \exists y.\Gamma \mid \forall x.\Gamma \mid \forall y.\Gamma$$

where  $a \in AP$ ,  $\Phi$  is a state formula,  $\varphi$ ,  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are path formulas, and  $\Psi$  is a closed strategy formula.

A formula is closed if all strategy variables are quantified.

### Embedding of ATL\* in SL

- Every ATL\* formula can be expressed in SL:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle\langle \{1\} \rangle\rangle Fp &= \exists x. \forall y. (Fp)(x, y) \\ \langle\langle \{2\} \rangle\rangle Fp &= \exists y. \forall x. (Fp)(x, y) \\ \langle\langle \{1, 2\} \rangle\rangle Fp &= \exists x. \exists y. (Fp)(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

- Restricted strategies can be expressed in SL, but not in ATL\*:

$$\exists x_1. \forall y_1. ((\forall x_2. \varphi(x_2, y_1)) \Rightarrow \psi(z_1, y_1))$$

## 22 Summary

### Automata

1. *Branching Mode*  
deterministic – nondeterministic – universal – alternating
2. *Acceptance Mode*  
Büchi – co-Büchi – parity – Streett – Rabin – Muller
3. *Input*  
words – trees

### Expressive Power

Word automata:

	Büchi	co-Büchi	parity	Muller
deterministic	-	-	+	+
nondeterministic	+	-	+	+
universal	-	+	+	+
alternating	+	+	+	+

Tree automata:

	Büchi	co-Büchi	parity	Muller
deterministic	-	-	-	-
nondeterministic	-	-	+	+
universal	-	-	+	+
alternating	-	-	+	+

### Characterization Theorems

**Definition 2** An  $\omega$ -regular language is a finite union of  $\omega$ -languages of the form  $U \cdot V^\omega$  where  $U, V \subseteq \Sigma^*$  are regular languages.

**Theorem 1 (Büchi's Characterization Theorem (1962))** An  $\omega$ -language is Büchi recognizable iff it is  $\omega$ -regular.

**Theorem 2** An  $\omega$ -language  $L \subseteq \Sigma^\omega$  is recognizable by a deterministic Büchi automaton iff there is a regular language  $W \subseteq \Sigma^*$  s.t.  $L = \overrightarrow{W}$ .

**Theorem 3** A language  $\mathcal{L}$  is recognizable by a deterministic Muller automaton iff  $\mathcal{L}$  is a boolean combination of languages  $\overrightarrow{W}$  where  $W \subseteq \Sigma^*$  is regular.

## Translating Branching Modes

- McNaughton: *nondeterministic Büchi word automaton* → *deterministic Muller*
- Miyano and Hayashi: *alternating Büchi word* → *nondeterministic Büchi*
- not covered: Muller and Schupp *alternating Rabin tree automaton* → *nondeterministic Rabin tree automaton*

## Translating Acceptance Modes

- Büchi, co-Büchi, parity → *parity, Rabin, Streett* (easy: special cases);
- Büchi, co-Büchi, Rabin, Streett, parity → *Muller* (easy but expensive);
- Muller → *parity*: latest appearance record.

## Automata and Games

1. *Acceptance* game of nondeterministic/alternating *word/tree* automata,
2. *Emptiness* game of nondeterministic *word/tree* automata

Over 1-letter alphabet: *emptiness game* = *acceptance game*

### Applications:

- language emptiness test
- complementation of alternating automata, tree automata

## Determinacy

1. Reachability, Büchi, co-Büchi, parity games are *memoryless determined*.
2. Muller, Streett, Rabin games are *determined*, but not memoryless determined.

**Corollary:** memoryless runs suffice for alternating Büchi, co-Büchi, parity automata.

## Logics

$$\text{LTL} \not\subseteq \text{QPTL} \approx \text{S1S}$$

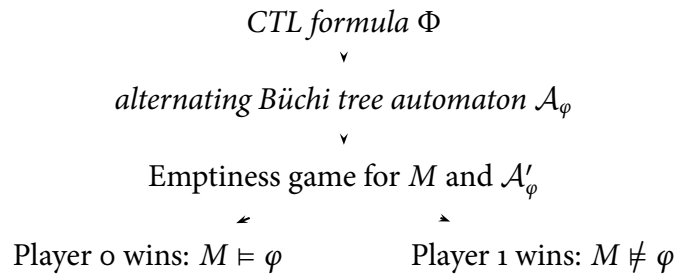
$$\text{CTL} \not\subseteq \text{CTL}^* \not\subseteq \text{S2S}$$

**Theorem 4** *LTL, QPTL, S1S, CTL, CTL\*, S2S are decidable logics.*

Formula satisfiable? → translate formula to automaton → check emptiness.

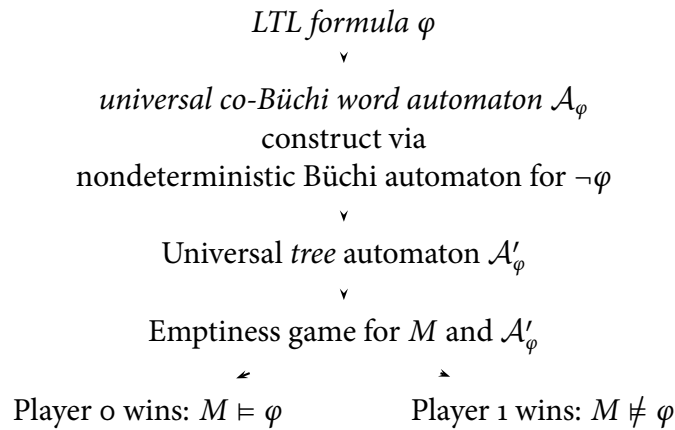
## CTL model checking

Does a given transition system  $M$  satisfy an CTL formula  $\Phi$ ?



## LTL model checking

Does a given transition system  $M$  satisfy an LTL formula  $\varphi$ ?



## Alternative view on LTL model checking

