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## Automata, Games, and Verification: Lecture 6

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**Lemma 1** For every Büchi automaton  $\mathcal{A}$  there exists a semi-deterministic Büchi automaton  $\mathcal{A}'$  with  $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}) = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}')$ .

**Proof:**

Given  $\mathcal{A} = (S, I, T, F)$ , we construct  $\mathcal{A}' = (S', I', T', F')$ :

- $S' = S \uplus (2^S \times 2^S)$ ;
- $I' = I$ ;
- $T' = T \cup \{(s, \sigma, (\{s'\}, \emptyset)) \mid (s, \sigma, s') \in T\}$   
 $\cup \{((L_1, L_2), \sigma, (L'_1, L'_2)) \mid L_1 \neq L_2$   
 $L'_1 = pr_3(T \cap L_1 \times \{\sigma\} \times S),$   
 $L'_2 = pr_3(T \cap L_1 \times \{\sigma\} \times F) \cup pr_3(T \cap L_2 \times \{\sigma\} \times S)\}$   
 $\cup \{((L, L), \sigma, (L'_1, L'_2)) \mid L'_1 = pr_3(T \cap L \times \{\sigma\} \times S),$   
 $L'_2 = pr_3(T \cap L \times \{\sigma\} \times F)\}$
- $F' = \{(L, L) \mid L \neq \emptyset\}$

$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}') \subseteq \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A})$ :

- Let  $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}')$ .
- Let  $r' = s_0 s_1 \dots s_{n-1} (L_n, L'_n) (L_{n+1}, L'_{n+1}) \dots$  be an accepting run of  $\mathcal{A}'$  on  $\alpha$ .
- Let  $i_0, i_1, \dots$  be an infinite sequence of indices such that  $i_0 = n$ ,  $L_{i_j} = L'_{i_j}$ ,  $L_{i_j} \neq \emptyset$  for all  $j \geq 1$ .
- For every  $j \geq 1$ , and every  $s' \in L_{i_j}$  there exists a state  $s \in L_{i_{j-1}}$  and a sequence  $s = s_{i_{j-1}}, s_{i_{j-1}+1}, \dots, s_{i_j} = s'$  such that  $(s_k, \alpha(k), s_{k+1}) \in T$  for all  $k \in \{i_{j-1}, \dots, i_{j-1}\}$  and  $s_k \in F$  for some  $k \in \{i_{j-1} + 1, \dots, i_j\}$ .  
Let  $predecessor(s', i_j) := s$ ,  
 $run(s', i_0) = s_0 s_1 \dots s_{n-1} s'$  for  $L_0 = \{s'\}$ , and  
 $run(s', i_j) = s_{i_{j-1}+1} s_{i_{j-1}+2} \dots s_{i_j}$ , for  $j \geq 1$ .
- Consider the following  $(\bigcup_{j \in \omega} L_{i_j} \times \{j\})$ -labeled tree:
  - the root is labeled with  $(s, 0)$ , where  $L_0 = \{s\}$ , and
  - the parent of each node labeled with  $(s', j)$  is labeled with  $(predecessor(s', i_j), j - 1)$ .
- The tree is infinite and finite-branching, and, hence, by König's Lemma, has an infinite branch  $(s_{i_0}, i_0), (s_{i_1}, i_1), \dots$ , corresponding to an accepting run of  $\mathcal{A}$ :

$$run(s_{i_0}, i_0) \cdot run(s_{i_1}, i_1) \cdot run(s_{i_2}, i_2) \cdot \dots$$

$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}')$ :

- Let  $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A})$ .
- Let  $r = s_0, s_1, \dots$  be an accepting run of  $\mathcal{A}$  on  $\alpha$ .
- Let  $i$  be an index s.t.  $s_i \in F$  and for all  $j \geq i$  there exists a  $k > j$ , such that

$$\{s \in S \mid s_i \xrightarrow{\alpha(i,k)} s\} = \{s \in S \mid s_j \xrightarrow{\alpha(j,k)} s\}.$$

This index exists:

- " $\supseteq$ " holds for all  $i$ , because there is a path through  $s_j$ .
- Assume that for all  $i$ , there is a  $j \geq i$  s.t for all  $k > j$  " $\subsetneq$ " holds. Then there exists an  $i'$  s.t.  $\{s \in S \mid s_{i'} \xrightarrow{\alpha(i',k)} s\} = \emptyset$  for all  $k > i'$ . Contradiction.
- We define a run  $r'$  of  $\mathcal{A}'$ :

$$r' = s_0 \dots s_{i-1}(\{s_i\}, \emptyset)(L_1, L'_1)(L_2, L'_2) \dots$$

where  $L_j, L'_j$  are determined by the definition of  $\mathcal{A}'$ .

- We show that  $r'$  is accepting. Assume otherwise, and let  $m$  be an index such that  $L_n \neq L'_n$  for all  $n \geq m$ .
- Then let  $j > m$  be some index with  $s_j \in F$ ; hence  $s_j \in L'_j$ . There exists a  $k > j$  such that  $L'_{k+1} = \{s \in S \mid s_j \xrightarrow{\alpha(j,k)} s\} = \{s \in S \mid s_i \xrightarrow{\alpha(i,k)} s\} = L_{k+1}$ .
- Contradiction.

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**Lemma 2** For every semi-deterministic Büchi automaton  $\mathcal{A}$  there exists a deterministic Muller automaton  $\mathcal{A}'$  with  $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}) = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}')$ .

Let  $\mathcal{A} = (N \uplus D, I, T, F)$ ,  $d = |D|$ , and let  $D$  be ordered by  $<$ . We construct the DMA  $(S', \{s'_0\}, T', \mathcal{F})$ :

- $S' = 2^N \times \{0, \dots, 2d\} \rightarrow D \cup \{\perp\}$
- $s'_0 = ((N \cap I), (d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n, \perp, \dots, \perp))$ ,  
where  $d_i < d_{i+1}$ ,  $\{d_1, \dots, d_n\} = D \cap I$ .
- $T' = \{((N_1, f_1), \sigma, (N_2, f_2)) \mid N_2 = pr_3(T \cap N_1 \times \{\sigma\} \times N)$   
 $D' = pr_3(T \cap N_1 \times \{\sigma\} \times D)$   
 $g_1 : n \mapsto d_2 \in D \Leftrightarrow f_1 : n \mapsto d_1 \in D \wedge d_1 \rightarrow^\sigma d_2$   
 $g_2$ : insert the elements of  $D'$  in the empty slots of  $g_1$  (using  $<$ )  
 $f_2$ : delete every recurrence (leaving an *empty* slot)
- $\mathcal{F} = \{F' \subseteq S' \mid \exists i \in 1, \dots, 2d \text{ s.t.}$   
 $f(i) \neq \perp \text{ for all } (N', f) \in F' \text{ and}$   
 $f(i) \in F \text{ for some } (N', f) \in F'\}$ .

**Example:**

