# Logical Aspects of Artificial Intelligence Temporal Logics for Multi-agent Systems

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#### Plan of the lecture

- Concurrent game structures.
- Introduction to ATL.
- Exercises session.

## Breaking news

- Exam on Wednesday November 9th, 2pm-5pm/2p-6pm
- ► Room 1E14
- Lecture notes and exercises sheets with correction authorised.

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- ► In this lecture, we present the basic ingredients in the logic ATL and variants.

### Other (online) ressources

- Valentin Goranko's slides (ESSLLI'18)
- See also the proceedings of the international conferences:
  - International Conference on Autonomous Agents and Multi-Agent Systems. (AAMAS)
  - European Conference on Artificial Intelligence. (ECAI)
  - International Conference on Principles of Knowledge Representation and Reasoning. (KR)
- Book "Logical Methods for Specification and Verification of Multi-Agent Systems" by W. Jamroga, 2020.

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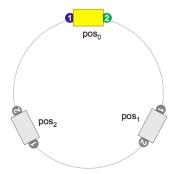
Book "Temporal Logics in Computer Science" by S. Demri,
 V. Goranko, M. Lange, Cambridge University Press, 2016.



## Concurrent Game Structures

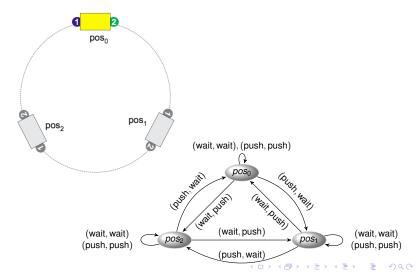
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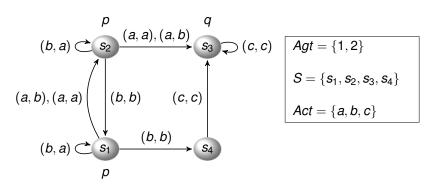
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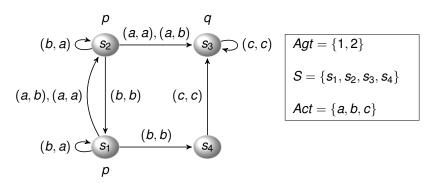
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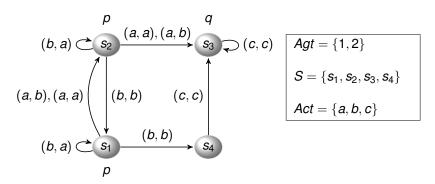
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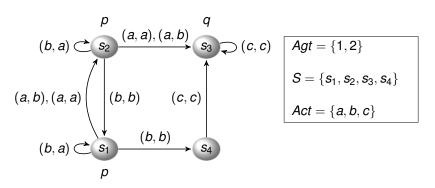




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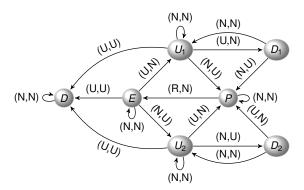
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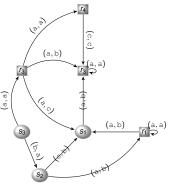
## Another concurrent game structure

- Two agents share a file in a cyberspace,
- ► Each agent can apply the action Update (U) if she is enabled to do so, or Skip (N).
- State P is reached when both agents have processed the file.
- Action Reset (R) allows to move to the initial state *E*.



#### Turn-based CGS

Turn-based CGS: only one agent at a time is executing an action.



▶ Turn-based CGS  $\mathfrak{M}$ : for all  $s \in S$ , there is at most one agent  $a \in Agt$  such that  $\operatorname{card}(\operatorname{act}(a, s)) > 1$ .

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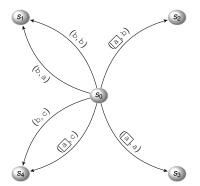
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$$\mathtt{out}(\boldsymbol{s},\mathfrak{g}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\boldsymbol{s}' \in \boldsymbol{S} \ | \ \exists \, \mathfrak{f} \in \mathcal{D}_{Agt}(\boldsymbol{s}) \text{ s.t. } \mathfrak{g} \sqsubseteq \mathfrak{f} \text{ and } \boldsymbol{s}' = \delta(\boldsymbol{s},\mathfrak{f}) \}$$



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- ▶ **Strategy**  $\sigma_A$  for A is a map from the set of finite computations (histories) to the set of joint actions by A such that

$$\sigma_{\mathcal{A}}(s_0 \xrightarrow{\mathfrak{f}_0} s_1 \cdots \xrightarrow{\mathfrak{f}_{n-1}} s_n) \in D_{\mathcal{A}}(s_n)$$



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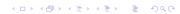
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► Memoryless strategy <sup>def</sup> positional strategy.

$$\sigma_{\mathcal{A}}: s \in S \mapsto \mathfrak{f} \in D_{\mathcal{A}}(s)$$



# Computations respecting a strategy

$$\lambda = s_0 \stackrel{\mathfrak{f}_0}{\rightarrow} s_1 \stackrel{\mathfrak{f}_1}{\rightarrow} s_2 \cdots \text{ respects } \sigma_A \stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow} \forall i < |\lambda|,$$
 
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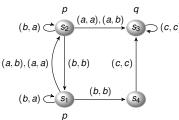
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- $ightharpoonup \lambda$  respecting  $\sigma_A$  is **maximal** whenever  $\lambda$  cannot be extended further while respecting the strategy.
- ▶  $Comp(s, \sigma_A)$ : set of maximal computations from s respecting the strategy  $\sigma_A$ .

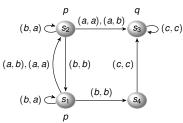
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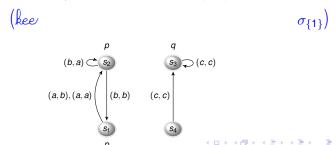


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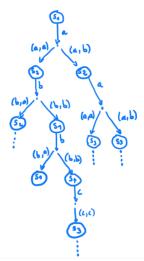
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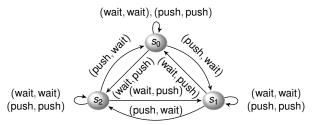
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► For non-positional strategies, computations organised as a tree not necessarily generated from a BA.

 $Agt = \{1,2\}$ ; Strategy for  $\{1\}$ 

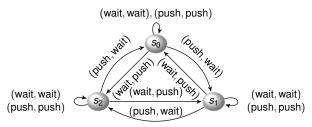


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- The set of maximal computations respecting σ from s<sub>0</sub> (projected on S only):

$$\{s_0^\omega\} \cup s_0^+ \big( (s_1^+ s_2^+)^\omega \cup (s_1^+ s_2^+)^* s_1^\omega \cup (s_1^+ s_2^+)^* s_2^\omega \big)$$

• Which temporal properties are satisfied by such computations respecting  $\sigma$ ?



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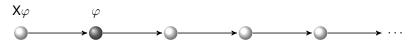
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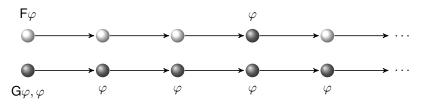
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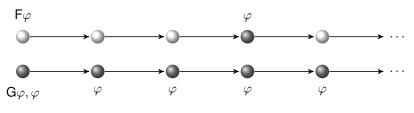
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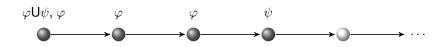
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#### Satisfaction relation

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- ▶  $\lambda, i \models \varphi_1 \cup \varphi_2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow}$  there is  $j \geq i$  such that  $\lambda, j \models \varphi_2$  and  $\lambda, k \models \varphi_1$  for all  $i \leq k < j$ .

$$\mathsf{F}\varphi \stackrel{\mathsf{def}}{=} \top \mathsf{U}\varphi \qquad \mathsf{G}\varphi \stackrel{\mathsf{def}}{=} \neg \mathsf{F}\neg \varphi \qquad \varphi \Rightarrow \psi \stackrel{\mathsf{def}}{=} \neg \varphi \lor \psi \dots$$



#### About LTL

- ▶ Models( $\varphi$ ): set of models  $\lambda$  such that  $\lambda$ ,  $0 \models \varphi$ .
- ▶ Models can be viewed as  $\omega$ -words over the alphabet  $\mathcal{P}(PROP)$ .
- ▶ Models( $\varphi$ ) can be effectively represented by a Büchi automaton  $\mathbb{A}_{\varphi}$ . (automata-based approach)
- ▶ LTL satisfiability problem is PSPACE-complete.

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# Satisfaction relation, formally

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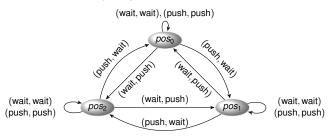
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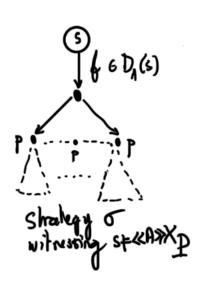
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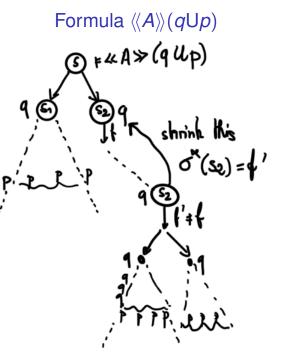
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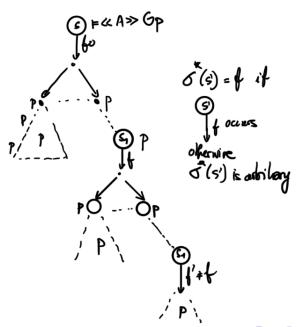
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# "Proof": positional strategies are sufficient for ATL



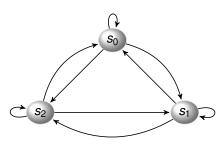


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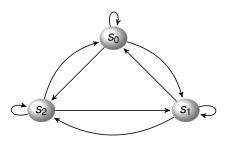
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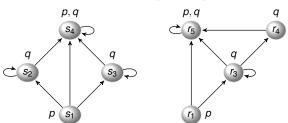


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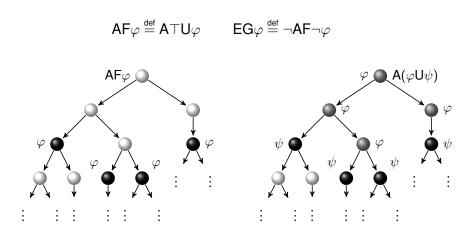
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$$\varphi ::= p \mid \bot \mid \neg \varphi \mid \varphi \land \varphi \mid \mathsf{EX}\varphi \mid \mathsf{E}(\varphi \mathsf{U}\varphi) \mid \mathsf{A}(\varphi \mathsf{U}\varphi).$$

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# **Fixpoints and Operators**

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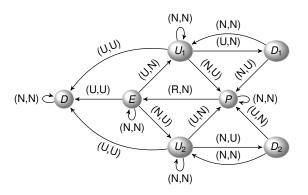
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### Example



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## Fixpoint theory

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  - $X_{i+1} = \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket^{\mathfrak{M}} \cap \operatorname{pre}(\mathfrak{M}, A, X_i).$
  - **.** . . .
- ▶ For all  $i, X_{i+1} \subseteq X_i$ . (proof left as an exercise)
- ▶ There is  $N \le \operatorname{card}(S)$  such that  $X_N = X_{N+1} = X_{N+2} = \cdots$ .

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•  $\mathcal{O}_{A,\varphi,\psi}(\mathcal{O}_{A,\varphi,,\psi}(\emptyset))$  contains all the states satisfying  $\psi$  or those satisfying  $\varphi$  and such that A has a strategy such that in one step all the states satisfy  $\psi$ .

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 $ightharpoonup \mathcal{O}_{A,\varphi,\psi}^n(\emptyset)$  contains all the states satisfying  $\psi$  or those satisfying  $\varphi$  and such that A has a strategy such that in at most n steps, a state satisfying  $\psi$  is reached and in between all the states satisfy  $\varphi$ .

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- $\qquad \qquad \mathbb{[\![}\langle\!\langle A\rangle\!\rangle \varphi \mathsf{U}\psi \mathbb{]\!]}^{\mathfrak{M}} = \mu Z.(\mathbb{[\![}\psi\mathbb{]\!]}^{\mathfrak{M}} \cup (\mathbb{[\![}\varphi\mathbb{]\!]}^{\mathfrak{M}} \cap \mathsf{pre}(\mathfrak{M},A,Z))).$  (least fixpoint)
- Valid formula

$$\langle\!\langle A \rangle\!\rangle \varphi \mathsf{U} \psi \Leftrightarrow \psi \vee (\varphi \wedge \langle\!\langle A \rangle\!\rangle \mathsf{X} \langle\!\langle A \rangle\!\rangle \varphi \mathsf{U} \psi)$$



## About $\mathcal{O}_{A,\varphi,\psi}$

- $ightharpoonup \mathcal{O}_{A,\varphi,\psi}$  is monotone as pre is monotone.
- ▶ Computing  $\mu Z.(\llbracket \psi \rrbracket^{\mathfrak{M}} \cup (\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket^{\mathfrak{M}} \cap \operatorname{pre}(\mathfrak{M}, A, Z))).$ 
  - $ightharpoonup X_0 = \emptyset.$
  - $ightharpoonup X_1 = (\llbracket \psi 
    rbracket^{\mathfrak{M}} \cup (\llbracket \varphi 
    rbracket^{\mathfrak{M}} \cap \operatorname{pre}(\mathfrak{M}, A, X_0)).$

  - ...

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#### Conclusion

- Today lecture.
  - Concurrent game structures (CGS).
  - Introduction to ATL.
  - Fixpoints and operators.
- Next week lecture.
  - Correction of the exercises.
  - Model-checking problem for ATL in PTIME and other variants from ATL.
  - ATL with incomplete information
  - ATL<sup>+</sup>: between ATL and ATL<sup>\*</sup>, PSPACE-hardness.