

# Planning for $LTL_f$ and $LDL_f$ Goals

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## LTL<sub>f</sub>: LTL over finite traces

### LTL<sub>f</sub>: the language

$$\varphi ::= A \mid \neg\varphi \mid \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 \mid \bigcirc\varphi \mid \varphi_1 \mathcal{U} \varphi_2$$

- $A$ : atomic propositions
- $\neg\varphi, \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2$ : boolean connectives
- $\bigcirc\varphi$ : "next step exists and at next step (of the trace)  $\varphi$  holds"
- $\varphi_1 \mathcal{U} \varphi_2$ : "eventually  $\varphi_2$  holds, and  $\varphi_1$  holds until  $\varphi_2$  does"
- $\bullet\varphi \doteq \neg\bigcirc\neg\varphi$ : "if next step exists then at next step  $\varphi$  holds" (weak next)
- $\diamond\varphi \doteq \text{true} \mathcal{U} \varphi$ : " $\varphi$  will eventually hold"
- $\square\varphi \doteq \neg\diamond\neg\varphi$ : "from current till last instant  $\varphi$  will always hold"
- $\text{Last} \doteq \neg\bigcirc\text{true}$ : denotes last instant of trace.

### Main formal properties:

- **Expressibility**: FOL over finite sequences or Star-free RE
- **Reasoning**: satisfiability, validity, entailment PSPACE-complete
- **Model Checking**: linear on TS, PSPACE-complete on formula

## LT<sub>f</sub>: LTL over finite traces

Some interesting LT<sub>f</sub> formulas:

name of template	LTL semantics
responded existence( $A, B$ )	$\Diamond A \Rightarrow \Diamond B$
co-existence( $A, B$ )	$\Diamond A \Leftrightarrow \Diamond B$
response( $A, B$ )	$\Box(A \Rightarrow \Diamond B)$
precedence( $A, B$ )	$(\neg B \cup A) \vee \Box(\neg B)$
succession( $A, B$ )	$\text{response}(A, B) \wedge \text{precedence}(A, B)$
alternate response( $A, B$ )	$\Box(A \Rightarrow \bigcirc(\neg A \cup B))$
alternate precedence( $A, B$ )	$\text{precedence}(A, B) \wedge \Box(B \Rightarrow \bigcirc(\text{precedence}(A, B)))$
alternate succession( $A, B$ )	$\text{alternate response}(A, B) \wedge \text{alternate precedence}(A, B)$
chain response( $A, B$ )	$\Box(A \Rightarrow \bigcirc B)$
chain precedence( $A, B$ )	$\Box(\bigcirc B \Rightarrow A)$
chain succession( $A, B$ )	$\Box(A \Leftrightarrow \bigcirc B)$

name of template	LTL semantics
not co-existence( $A, B$ )	$\neg(\Diamond A \wedge \Diamond B)$
not succession( $A, B$ )	$\Box(A \Rightarrow \neg(\Diamond B))$
not chain succession( $A, B$ )	$\Box(A \Rightarrow \bigcirc(\neg B))$

name of template	LTL semantics
existence(1, $A$ )	$\Diamond A$
existence(2, $A$ )	$\Diamond(A \wedge \bigcirc(\text{existence}(1, A)))$
...	...
existence( $n$ , $A$ )	$\Diamond(A \wedge \bigcirc(\text{existence}(n-1, A)))$
absence( $A$ )	$\neg \text{existence}(1, A)$
absence(2, $A$ )	$\neg \text{existence}(2, A)$
absence(3, $A$ )	$\neg \text{existence}(3, A)$
...	...
absence( $n+1$ , $A$ )	$\neg \text{existence}(n+1, A)$
init( $A$ )	$A$

## LDL<sub>f</sub>: LDL over finite traces

### LDL<sub>f</sub>: the language

$$\varphi ::= \text{tt} \mid \text{ff} \mid \neg\varphi \mid \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 \mid \langle \rho \rangle \varphi \mid [\rho] \varphi \quad \rho ::= \phi \mid \varphi? \mid \rho_1 + \rho_2 \mid \rho_1; \rho_2 \mid \rho^*$$

- **tt** and **ff** stand for true and false
- $\phi$ : propositional formula on current state/instant
- $\neg\varphi$ ,  $\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2$ : boolean connectives
- $\rho$  is a regular expression on propositional formulas
- $\langle \rho \rangle \varphi$ : exists an "execution" of RE  $\rho$  that ends with  $\varphi$  holding
- $[\rho] \varphi$ : all "executions" of RE  $\rho$  (along the trace!) end with  $\varphi$  holding

*In the infinite trace setting, such enhancement strongly advocated by industrial model checking (ForSpec, PSL).*

### Main formal properties:

- **Expressibility:** MSO over finite sequences: adds the power of recursion (as RE)
- **Reasoning:** satisfiability, validity, entailment PSPACE-complete
- **Model Checking:** linear on TS, PSPACE-complete on formula

## LDL<sub>f</sub>: Linear Dynamic Logic on finite traces

### Example

- All coffee requests from person  $p$  will eventually be served:

$$[\mathbf{true}^*](request_p \supset \langle \mathbf{true}^* \rangle coffee_p)$$

- Every time the robot opens door  $d$  it closes it immediately after:

$$[\mathbf{true}^*](openDoor_d \supset closeDoor_d)$$

- Before entering restricted area  $a$  the robot must have permission for  $a$ :

$$\langle (\neg inArea_a^*; getPermission_a; \neg inArea_a^*; inArea_a)^*; \neg inArea_a^* \rangle end$$

Note that the first two properties (not the third one) can be expressed also in LTL<sub>f</sub>:

$$\Box(request_p \supset \Diamond coffee_p)$$

$$\Box(openDoor_d \supset \bigcirc closeDoor_d)$$

## LDL<sub>f</sub>: Linear Dynamic Logic on finite traces

LDL<sub>f</sub>, not LTL<sub>f</sub>, is able to easily express procedural constraints [BaierFritzMcIlraith07].

### Let's introduce a sort of propositional variant of GOLOG

$$\delta ::= A \mid \varphi? \mid \delta_1 + \delta_2 \mid \delta_1; \delta_2 \mid \delta^* \mid \mathbf{if} \ \phi \ \mathbf{then} \ \delta_1 \ \mathbf{else} \ \delta_2 \mid \mathbf{while} \ \phi \ \mathbf{do} \ \delta$$

where **if** and **while** can be seen as abbreviations for LDL<sub>f</sub> path expression, namely:

$$\mathbf{if} \ \phi \ \mathbf{then} \ \delta_1 \ \mathbf{else} \ \delta_2 \doteq (\phi?; \delta_1) + (\neg\phi?; \delta_2) \quad \mathbf{while} \ \phi \ \mathbf{do} \ \delta \doteq (\phi?; \delta)^*; \neg\phi?$$

### Example (LDL<sub>f</sub> procedural constraints)

- "At every point, if it is hot then, if the air-conditioning system is off, turn it on, else don't turn it off":

$$[\mathbf{true}^*]\langle \mathbf{if} \ (hot) \ \mathbf{then} \\ \quad \mathbf{if} \ (\neg airOn) \ \mathbf{then} \ turnOnAir \\ \quad \mathbf{else} \ \neg turnOffAir \rangle true$$

- "alternate till the end the following two instructions: (1) while is hot if the air-conditioning system is off turn it on, else don't turn it off; (2) do something for one step"

$$\langle (\mathbf{while} \ (hot) \ \mathbf{do} \\ \quad \mathbf{if} \ (\neg airOn) \ \mathbf{then} \ turnOnAir \\ \quad \mathbf{else} \ \neg turnOffAir; \\ \quad true)^* \rangle end$$

## LDL<sub>f</sub>: Linear Dynamic Logic on finite traces

Example (LDL<sub>f</sub> captures finite domain variant of GOLOG in SitCalc)

### GOLOG – finite domain variant

$$\delta ::= A \mid \varphi? \mid \delta_1 + \delta_2 \mid \delta_1; \delta_2 \mid \delta^* \mid \pi x. \delta(x) \mid \text{if } \phi \text{ then } \delta_1 \text{ else } \delta_2 \mid \text{while } \phi \text{ do } \delta$$

- $\pi x. \delta(x)$  stands for  $\Sigma_{o \in Obj} \delta(o)$
- $\text{if } \phi \text{ then } \delta_1 \text{ else } \delta_2$  stands for  $(\phi?; \delta_1) + (\neg\phi?; \delta_2)$
- $\text{while } \phi \text{ do } \delta$  stands for  $(\phi?; \delta)^* \neg\phi?$

- $\langle \delta \rangle \phi$  in LDL<sub>f</sub> captures SitCalc formula  $\exists s'. Do(\delta, s, s') \wedge s \leq s' \leq last \wedge \phi(s')$ .
- $[\delta] \phi$  in LDL<sub>f</sub> captures SitCalc formula  $\forall s'. Do(\delta, s, s') \wedge s \leq s' \leq last \supset \phi(s')$ .

( $\phi(s)$  “uniform” in  $s$ .)

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## Key point

LTL<sub>f</sub>/LDL<sub>f</sub> formulas can be translated into **nondeterministic finite state automata** (NFA).

$$t \models \varphi \text{ iff } t \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}_\varphi)$$

where  $\mathcal{A}_\varphi$  is the NFA  $\varphi$  is translated into.

*We can compile reasoning into automata based procedures!*

# LTL<sub>f</sub>/LDL<sub>f</sub> and automata

Both LTL<sub>f</sub> and LDL<sub>f</sub> formulas can be translated in **exponential time** to **nondeterministic automata** on **finite words** (NFA).

NFA  $\mathcal{A}_\varphi$  associated with an LTL<sub>f</sub> formula  $\varphi$  (in NNF)

## Auxiliary rules

$\delta(A, \Pi)$	= true if $A \in \Pi$
$\delta(\neg A, \Pi)$	= false if $A \in \Pi$
$\delta(\neg A, \Pi)$	= true if $A \notin \Pi$
$\delta(\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2, \Pi)$	= $\delta(\varphi_1, \Pi) \wedge \delta(\varphi_2, \Pi)$
$\delta(\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2, \Pi)$	= $\delta(\varphi_1, \Pi) \vee \delta(\varphi_2, \Pi)$
$\delta(\bigcirc \varphi, \Pi)$	= $\begin{cases} \varphi & \text{if } Last \notin \Pi \\ \text{false} & \text{if } Last \in \Pi \end{cases}$
$\delta(\bigcirc \varphi, \Pi)$	= $\delta(\varphi, \Pi) \vee \delta(\bigcirc \varphi, \Pi)$
$\delta(\varphi_1 \mathcal{U} \varphi_2, \Pi)$	= $\delta(\varphi_2, \Pi) \vee (\delta(\varphi_1, \Pi) \wedge \delta(\bigcirc(\varphi_1 \mathcal{U} \varphi_2), \Pi))$
$\delta(\bullet \varphi, \Pi)$	= $\begin{cases} \varphi & \text{if } Last \notin \Pi \\ \text{true} & \text{if } Last \in \Pi \end{cases}$
$\delta(\square \varphi, \Pi)$	= $\delta(\varphi, \Pi) \wedge \delta(\bullet \square \varphi, \Pi)$
$\delta(\varphi_1 \mathcal{R} \varphi_2, \Pi)$	= $\delta(\varphi_2, \Pi) \wedge (\delta(\varphi_1, \Pi) \vee \delta(\bullet(\varphi_1 \mathcal{R} \varphi_2), \Pi))$

*Observe these are the rules defining the transition function of the AFW!*

## Algorithm

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algorithm LTLf2NFA
input LTLf formula  $\varphi$ 
output NFA  $\mathcal{A}_\varphi = (2^{\mathcal{P}}, \mathcal{S}, \{s_0\}, \varrho, \{s_f\})$ 
 $s_0 \leftarrow \{\varphi\}$  ▷ single initial state
 $s_f \leftarrow \emptyset$  ▷ single final state
 $\mathcal{S} \leftarrow \{s_0, s_f\}, \varrho \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
while ( $\mathcal{S}$  or  $\varrho$  change) do

    if ( $q \in \mathcal{S}$  and  $q' \models \bigwedge_{(\psi \in q)} \delta(\psi, \Pi)$ )
         $\mathcal{S} \leftarrow \mathcal{S} \cup \{q'\}$  ▷ update set of states
         $\varrho \leftarrow \varrho \cup \{(q, \Pi, q')\}$  ▷ update transition relation

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NFA  $\mathcal{A}_\varphi$  associated with an LDL<sub>f</sub> formula  $\varphi$  (in NNF)

## Auxiliary rules

$\delta(\text{tt}, \Pi)$	=	true
$\delta(\text{ff}, \Pi)$	=	false
$\delta(\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2, \Pi)$	=	$\delta(\varphi_1, \Pi) \wedge \delta(\varphi_2, \Pi)$
$\delta(\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2, \Pi)$	=	$\delta(\varphi_1, \Pi) \vee \delta(\varphi_2, \Pi)$
$\delta(\langle \phi \rangle \varphi, \Pi)$	=	$\begin{cases} \text{false} & \text{if } \Pi \not\models \phi \text{ or } \Pi = \epsilon \text{ (trace ended)} \\ \mathbf{e}(\varphi) & \text{o/w } (\phi \text{ propositional}) \end{cases}$
$\delta(\langle \psi? \rangle \varphi, \Pi)$	=	$\delta(\psi, \Pi) \wedge \delta(\varphi, \Pi)$
$\delta(\langle \rho_1 + \rho_2 \rangle \varphi, \Pi)$	=	$\delta(\langle \rho_1 \rangle \varphi, \Pi) \vee \delta(\langle \rho_2 \rangle \varphi, \Pi)$
$\delta(\langle \rho_1; \rho_2 \rangle \varphi, \Pi)$	=	$\delta(\langle \rho_1 \rangle \langle \rho_2 \rangle \varphi, \Pi)$
$\delta(\langle \rho^* \rangle \varphi, \Pi)$	=	$\delta(\varphi, \Pi) \vee \delta(\langle \rho \rangle \mathbf{f}_{\langle \rho^* \rangle} \varphi, \Pi)$
$\delta([\phi] \varphi, \Pi)$	=	$\begin{cases} \text{true} & \text{if } \Pi \not\models \phi \text{ or } \Pi = \epsilon \text{ (trace ended)} \\ \mathbf{e}(\varphi) & \text{o/w } (\phi \text{ propositional}) \end{cases}$
$\delta([\psi?] \varphi, \Pi)$	=	$\delta(\text{nnf}(\neg \psi), \Pi) \vee \delta(\varphi, \Pi)$
$\delta([\rho_1 + \rho_2] \varphi, \Pi)$	=	$\delta([\rho_1] \varphi, \Pi) \wedge \delta([\rho_2] \varphi, \Pi)$
$\delta([\rho_1; \rho_2] \varphi, \Pi)$	=	$\delta([\rho_1][\rho_2] \varphi, \Pi)$
$\delta([\rho^*] \varphi, \Pi)$	=	$\delta(\varphi, \Pi) \wedge \delta([\rho] \mathbf{t}_{[\rho^*]} \varphi, \Pi)$
$\delta(\mathbf{f}_\psi, \Pi)$	=	false
$\delta(\mathbf{t}_\psi, \Pi)$	=	true

( $\mathbf{e}(\varphi)$  replaces in  $\varphi$  all occurrences of  $\mathbf{t}_\psi$  and  $\mathbf{f}_\psi$  by  $\mathbf{e}(\psi)$ )

## Algorithm

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algorithm LDLf2NFA
input LDLf formula  $\varphi$ 
output NFA  $\mathcal{A}_\varphi = (2^{\mathcal{P}}, \mathcal{S}, \{s_0\}, \varrho, \{s_f\})$ 
 $s_0 \leftarrow \{\varphi\}$  ▷ single initial state
 $s_f \leftarrow \emptyset$  ▷ single final state
 $\mathcal{S} \leftarrow \{s_0, s_f\}, \varrho \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
while ( $\mathcal{S}$  or  $\varrho$  change) do
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         $\mathcal{S} \leftarrow \mathcal{S} \cup \{q'\}$  ▷ update set of states
         $\varrho \leftarrow \varrho \cup \{(q, \Pi, q')\}$  ▷ update transition relation
    
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# LTL<sub>f</sub>/LDL<sub>f</sub> reasoning

## LTL<sub>f</sub>/LDL<sub>f</sub> satisfiability ( $\varphi$ SAT)

- 1: Given LTL<sub>f</sub>/LDL<sub>f</sub> formula  $\varphi$
- 2: Compute NFA for  $\varphi$  (*exponential*)
- 3: Check NFA for nonemptiness (*NLOGSPACE*)
- 4: Return result of check

## LTL<sub>f</sub>/LDL<sub>f</sub> validity ( $\varphi$ VAL)

- 1: Given LTL<sub>f</sub>/LDL<sub>f</sub> formula  $\varphi$
- 2: Compute NFA for  $\neg \varphi$  (*exponential*)
- 3: Check NFA for nonemptiness (*NLOGSPACE*)
- 4: Return complemented result of check

## LTL<sub>f</sub>/LDL<sub>f</sub> logical implication ( $\Gamma \models \varphi$ )

- 1: Given LTL<sub>f</sub>/LDL<sub>f</sub> formulas  $\Gamma$  and  $\varphi$
- 2: Compute NFA for  $\Gamma \wedge \neg \varphi$  (*exponential*)
- 3: Check NFA for nonemptiness (*NLOGSPACE*)
- 4: Return complemented result of check

**Thm:**[IJCAI13] All above reasoning tasks are PSPACE-complete. (*As for infinite traces.*)  
(Construction of NFA can be done while checking nonemptiness.)

## Relationship to Classical Planning

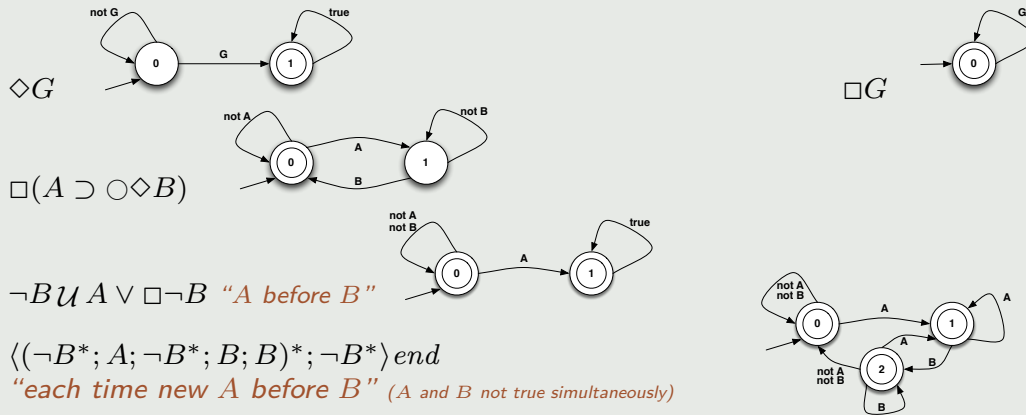
Let  $\Psi_{\text{domain}}$  describe action domain (LTL<sub>f</sub> formula),  $\phi_{\text{init}}$  initial state (prop. formula), and  $G$  goal (prop. formula).  
Classical planning amounts to LTL<sub>f</sub> satisfiability of:

$$\phi_{\text{init}} \wedge \Psi_{\text{domain}} \wedge \Diamond G$$

Complexity: PSPACE-complete.

## Automata for some $LTL_f/LDL_f$ formulas

### Example (Automata for some $LTL_f/LDL_f$ formulas)



(online software for  $LTL_f2DFA$ : <http://ltlf2dfa.diag.uniroma1.it>)

(online software for  $LDL_f2DFA$ : <https://fllloat.herokuapp.com>)

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## Planning in deterministic domain

### Deterministic domain (including initial state)

$\mathcal{D} = (2^{\mathcal{F}}, \mathcal{A}, s_0, \delta, \alpha)$  where:

- $\mathcal{F}$  **fluents** (atomic propositions)
- $\mathcal{A}$  **actions** (atomic symbols)
- $2^{\mathcal{F}}$  set of states
- $s_0$  initial state (initial assignment to fluents)
- $\alpha(s) \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  represents **action preconditions**
- $\delta(s, a) = s'$  with  $a \in \alpha(s)$  represents **action effects (including frame)**.

### Traces

A **trace** for  $\mathcal{D}$  is a finite sequence:

$$s_0, a_1, s_1, \dots, a_n, s_n$$

where  $s_0$  is the initial state, and  $a_i \in \alpha(s_i)$  and  $s_{i+1} = \delta(s_i, a_{i+1})$  for each  $i$ .

### Goals, planning, and plans

**Goal** = propositional formula  $G$  on fluents

**Planning** = find a trace  $s_0, a_1, s_1, \dots, a_n, s_n$  such that  $s_n \models G$ . (PSPACE-complete)

**Plan** = project traces on actions, i.e., return  $a_1, \dots, a_n$ .

## Deterministic planning domains as automata

Let's transform the planning domain  $\mathcal{D} = (2^{\mathcal{F}}, \mathcal{A}, s_0, \delta, \alpha)$  into a DFA recognizing all its traces.

### DFA $A_{\mathcal{D}}$ for $\mathcal{D}$

$A_{\mathcal{D}} = (2^{\mathcal{F} \cup \mathcal{A}}, (2^{\mathcal{F}} \cup \{s_{init}\}), s_{init}, \rho, F)$  where:

- $2^{\mathcal{F} \cup \mathcal{A}}$  alphabet (actions  $\mathcal{A}$  include dummy *start* action)
- $2^{\mathcal{F}} \cup \{s_{init}\}$  set of states
- $s_{init}$  dummy initial state
- $F = 2^{\mathcal{F}}$  (all states of the domain are final)
- $\rho(s, [a, s']) = s'$  **with**  $a \in \alpha(s)$ , **and**  $\delta(s, a) = s'$   
 $\rho(s_{init}, [start, s_0]) = s_0$

(notation:  $[a, s']$  stands for  $\{a\} \cup s'$ )

### Traces

Each trace  $s_0, a_1, s_1, \dots, a_n, s_n$  of the domain  $\mathcal{D}$  becomes a finite sequence:

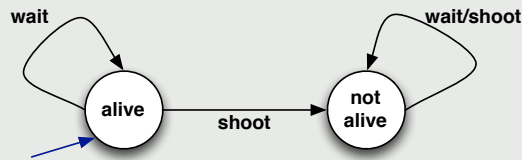
$$[start, s_0], [a_1, s_1], \dots, [a_n, s_n]$$

recognized by the DFA  $A_{\mathcal{D}}$ .

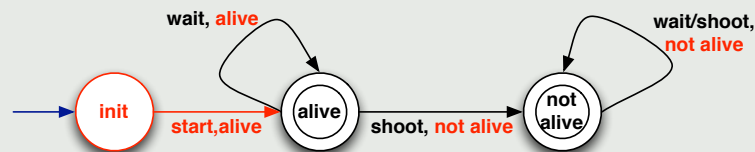
## Deterministic planning domains as automata

### Example (Simplified Yale shooting domain)

- Domain  $\mathcal{D}$ :



- DFA  $A_{\mathcal{D}}$ :



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### Planning in deterministic domains

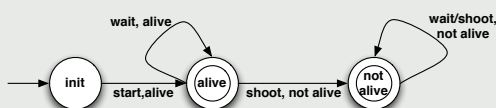
Planning = find a trace of DFA  $A_{\mathcal{D}}$  for deterministic domain  $\mathcal{D}$  such that is also a trace for the DFA for  $\Diamond G$  where  $G$  is the goal. That is:

*CHECK for nonemptiness  $A_{\mathcal{D}} \cap A_{\Diamond G}$ : extract plan from witness.*

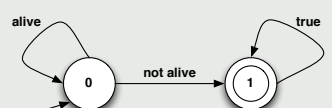
*(Computable on-the-fly, PSPACE in  $\mathcal{D}$ , constant in  $G$ . i.e., optimal)*

### Example (Simplified Yale shooting domain)

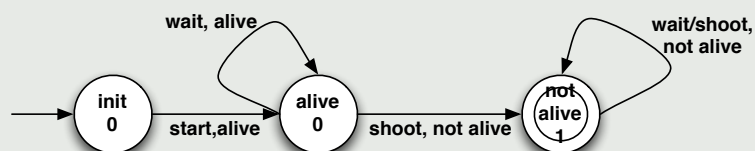
$A_{\mathcal{D}}$



$A_{\Diamond \neg \text{alive}}$



$A_{\mathcal{D}} \cap A_{\Diamond G}$ :



## Generalization: planning for $LTL_f/LDL_f$ goals in deterministic domains

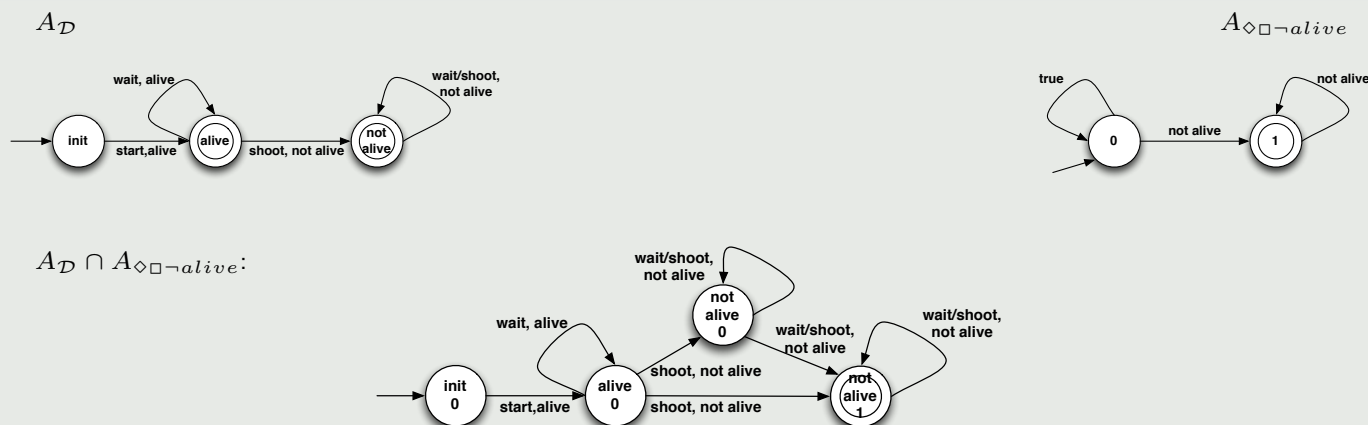
### Planning in deterministic domains for $LTL_f/LDL_f$ goals

Planning = find a trace of DFA  $A_{\mathcal{D}}$  for deterministic domain  $\mathcal{D}$  such that is also accepted by NFA  $A_{\varphi}$  for the  $LTL_f/LDL_f$  formula  $\varphi$ . That is:

*CHECK for nonemptiness  $A_{\mathcal{D}} \cap A_{\varphi}$ : extract plan from witness.*

*(Computable on-the-fly, PSPACE in  $\mathcal{D}$ , PSPACE also in  $\varphi$  i.e., optimal)  
(We can use NFA directly since we are checking for **existence** of a trace satisfying  $\varphi$ )*

### Example (Simplified Yale shooting domain)



## Generalization: planning for $LTL_f/LDL_f$ goals in deterministic domains

### Planning for $LTL_f/LDL_f$ goals

#### Algorithm: Planning for $LDL_f/LTL_f$ goals

- 1: Given  $LTL_f/LDL_f$  domain  $\mathcal{D}$  and goal  $\varphi$
- 2: Compute corresponding NFA (exponential)
- 3: Compute intersection with DFA of  $\mathcal{D}$  (polynomial)
- 5: Check nonemptiness of resulting NFA (NLOGSPACE)
- 6: Return plan

### Theorem

Planning for  $LTL_f/LDL_f$  goals is:

- PSPACE-complete in the domain;
- PSPACE-complete in the goal.

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## FOND<sub>sp</sub>: strong planning in nondeterministic domains

### Nondeterministic domain (including initial state)

$\mathcal{D} = (2^{\mathcal{F}}, \mathcal{A}, s_0, \delta, \alpha)$  where:

- $\mathcal{F}$  **fluents** (atomic propositions)
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### Who controls what?

Fluents controlled by **environment**

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Observe:  $\delta(s, a, s')$

### Goals, planning, and plans

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**Plan** = **strategy** to **win** the game.

(FOND<sub>sp</sub> is EXPTIME-complete)

## Nondeterministic domains as automata

Let's transform the nondeterministic domain  $\mathcal{D} = (2^{\mathcal{F}}, \mathcal{A}, s_0, \delta, \alpha)$  into an automaton recognizing all its traces.

Automaton  $A_{\mathcal{D}}$  for  $\mathcal{D}$  is a **DFA!!!**

$A_{\mathcal{D}} = (2^{\mathcal{F} \cup \mathcal{A}}, (2^{\mathcal{F}} \cup \{s_{init}\}), s_{init}, \varrho, F)$  where:

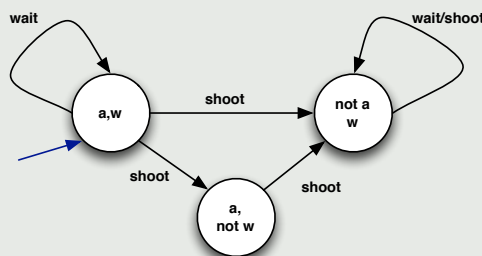
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- $F = 2^{\mathcal{F}}$  (all states of the domain are final)
- $\rho(s, [a, s']) = s'$  **with**  $a \in \alpha(s)$ , **and**  $\delta(s, a, s')$       $\rho(s_{init}, [start, s_0]) = s_0$

(notation:  $[a, s']$  stands for  $\{a\} \cup s'$ )

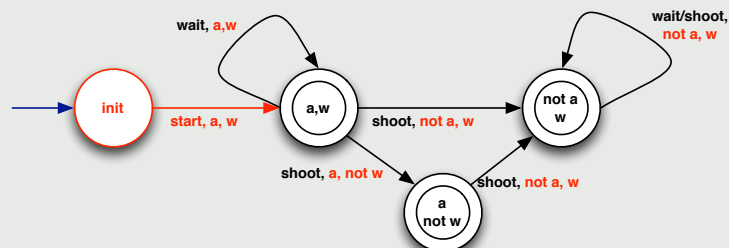
## Nondeterministic domains as automata

### Example (Simplified Yale shooting domain variant)

- Domain  $\mathcal{D}$ :



- DFA  $A_{\mathcal{D}}$ :

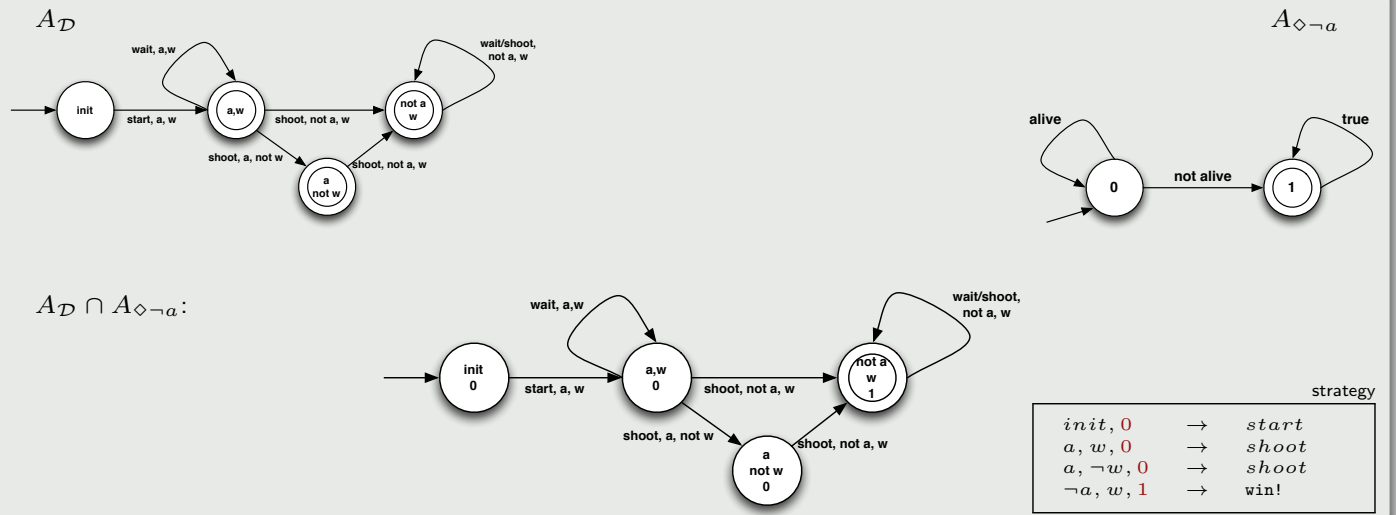


## Nondeterministic domains as automata

### FOND<sub>sp</sub>: strong planning in nondeterministic domains

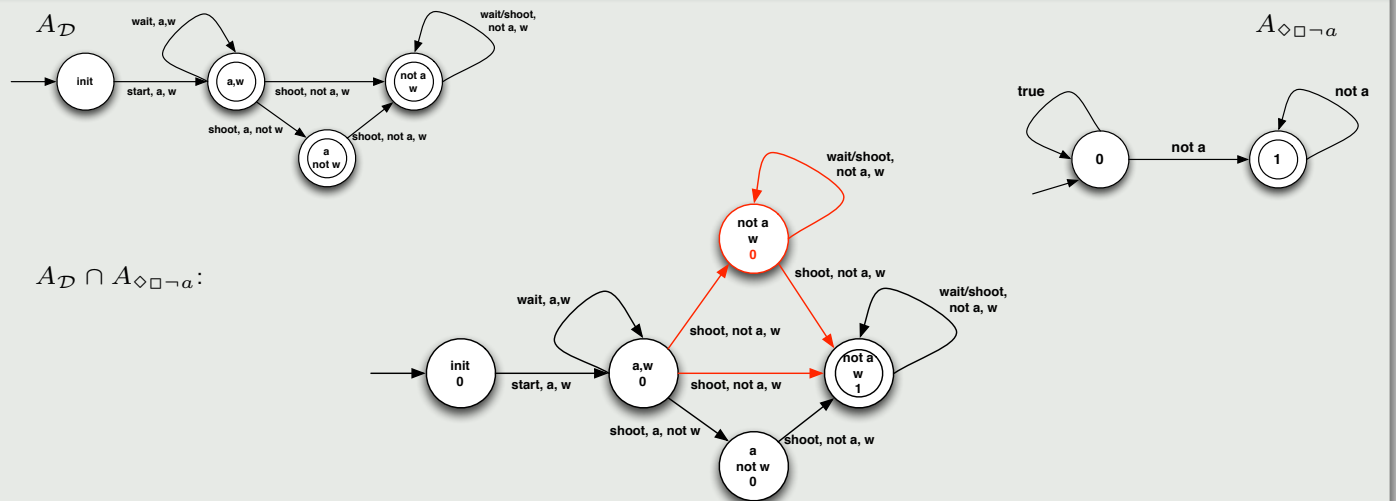
- Set the **arena** formed by all traces that satisfy both the DFA  $A_{\mathcal{D}}$  for  $\mathcal{D}$  and the DFA for  $\Diamond G$  where  $G$  is the goal.
- Compute a **winning strategy**. *(EXPTIME-complete in  $\mathcal{D}$ , constant in  $G$ )*

#### Example (Simplified Yale shooting domain)



## Generalization: FOND<sub>sp</sub> for LTL<sub>f</sub>/LDL<sub>f</sub> goals

### Example (Simplified Yale shooting domain)



### Can we use directly NFA's?

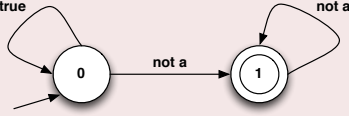
No, because of a **basic mismatch**

- NFA have perfect **foresight**, or **clairvoyance** *(angelic nondeterminism)*
- Strategies must be runnable: **depend only on past**, not future *(devilish nondeterminism)*

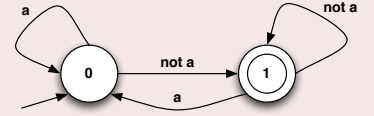
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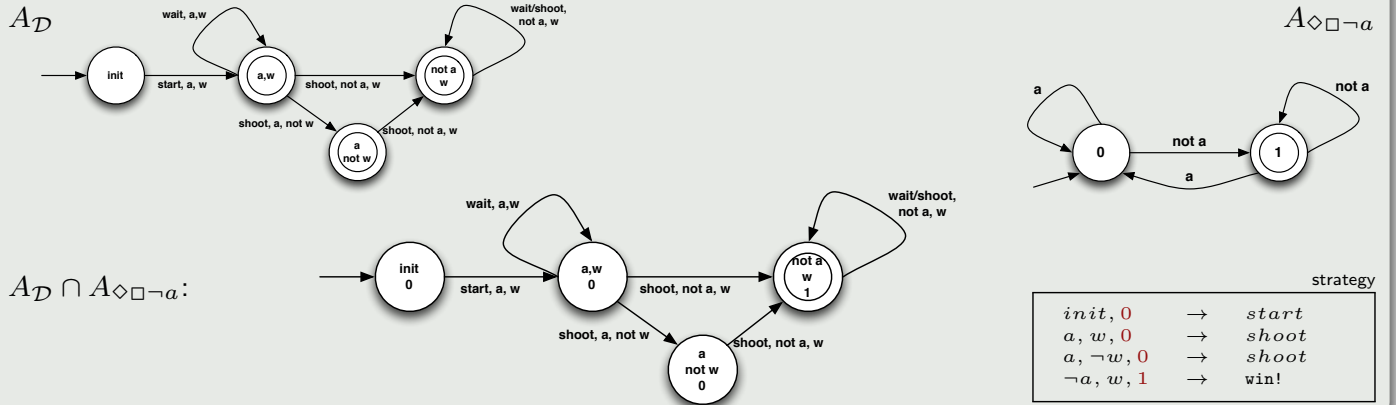


corresponding DFA



(DFA can be exponential in NFA in general)

### Example (Simplified Yale shooting domain)



## Generalization: DFA Games

### DFA games

A **DFA game**  $\mathcal{G} = (2^{\mathcal{F} \cup \mathcal{A}}, S, s_{init}, \varrho, F)$ , is such that:

- $\mathcal{F}$  controlled by **environment**;  $\mathcal{A}$  controlled by **agent**;
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- $\varrho : S \times 2^{\mathcal{F} \cup \mathcal{A}} \rightarrow S$ , transition function of the game: given current state  $s$  and a choice of action  $a$  and resulting fluents values  $E$  the resulting state of game is  $\varrho(s, [a, E]) = s'$ ;
- $F$ , final states of game, where game can be considered terminated.

### Winning Strategy:

- A play is **winning** for the agent if such a play leads from the initial to a final state.
- A **strategy** for the agent is a function  $f : (2^{\mathcal{F}})^* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  that, given a **history of choices from the environment**, decides which action  $\mathcal{A}$  to do next.
- A **winning strategy** is a strategy  $f : (2^{\mathcal{F}})^* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  such that for all traces  $\pi$  with  $a_i = f(\pi_{\mathcal{F}}|_i)$  we have that  $\pi$  leads to a final state of  $\mathcal{G}$ .

## Generalization: DFA Games

### Winning condition for DFA games

Let

$$PreC(\mathcal{S}) = \{s \in \mathcal{S} \mid \exists a \in \mathcal{A}. \forall E \in 2^{\mathcal{F}}. \varrho(s, [a, E]) \in \mathcal{S}\}$$

Compute the set  $Win$  of winning states of a DFA game  $\mathcal{G}$ , i.e., states from which the agent can win the game  $\mathcal{G}$ , by **least-fixpoint**:

- $Win_0 = F$  (the final states of  $\mathcal{G}$ )
- $Win_{i+1} = Win_i \cup PreC(Win_i)$
- $Win = \bigcup_i Win_i$

(Computing  $Win$  is **linear** in the number of states in  $\mathcal{G}$ )

### Computing the winning strategy

Let's define  $\omega : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow 2^{\mathcal{A}}$  as:

$$\omega(s) = \{a \mid \text{if } s \in Win_{i+1} - Win_i \text{ then } \forall E. \varrho(s, [a, E]) \in Win_i\}$$

- **Every way** of restricting  $\omega(s)$  to return only one action (chosen arbitrarily) gives a **winning strategy** for  $\mathcal{G}$ .
- Note  **$s$  is a state of the game!** not of the domain only!  
To phrase  $\omega$  wrt the domain only, we need to return a **stateful transducer** with transitions from the game.

## Generalization: $FOND_{sp}$ for $LTL_f/LDL_f$ goals

### $FOND_{sp}$ for $LTL_f/LDL_f$ goals

#### Algorithm: $FOND_{sp}$ for $LDL_f/LTL_f$ goals

- 1: Given  $LTL_f/LDL_f$  domain  $\mathcal{D}$  and goal  $\varphi$
- 2: Compute NFA for  $\varphi$  (exponential)
- 3: Determinize NFA to DFA (exponential)
- 4: Compute intersection with DFA of  $\mathcal{D}$  (polynomial)
- 5: Synthesize winning strategy for DFA game (linear)
- 6: Return strategy

### Theorem

$FOND_{sp}$  for  $LTL_f/LDL_f$  goals is:

- **EXPTIME-complete** in the domain;
- **2-EXPTIME-complete** in the goal.



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## $FOND_{sc}$ : strong cyclic planning in nondeterministic fair domains

### Nondeterministic domain (including initial state)

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### Who controls what?

Fluents controlled by **environment**, though under **stochastic fairness**:

*(i.e., all effects will happen with non-zero (unknown) probability)*

Actions controlled by **agent**

Observe:  $\delta(s, a, s')$

### Goals, planning, and plans

**Goal** = propositional formula  $G$  on fluents

**Planning** = **agent**, in spite of the **environment**, stays in an area from where is possible to reach  $G$

*(with the cooperation of **environment**! it is not a pure adversarial game!)*

**Plan** = **strategy** to stay within the good area.

*( $FOND_{sc}$  is EXPTIME-complete)*

## Nondeterministic fair domains as automata

We transform the nondeterministic fair domain  $\mathcal{D} = (2^{\mathcal{F}}, \mathcal{A}, s_0, \delta, \alpha)$  into an automaton recognizing all its traces exactly as we did for nondeterministic (non-fair) domains. **Fairness play no role!**

Automaton  $A_{\mathcal{D}}$  for  $\mathcal{D}$  is a **DFA!!!**

$A_{\mathcal{D}} = (2^{\mathcal{F} \cup \mathcal{A}}, (2^{\mathcal{F}} \cup \{s_{init}\}), s_{init}, \rho, F)$  where:

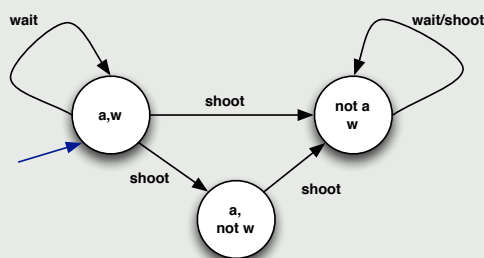
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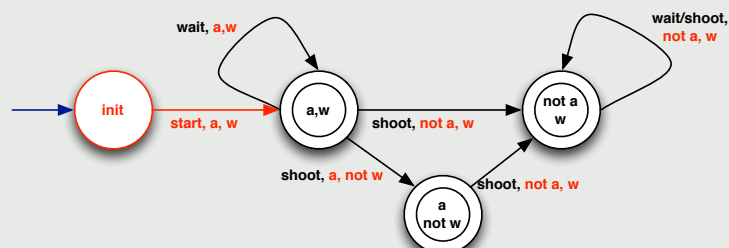
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### Example (Simplified Yale shooting domain variant)

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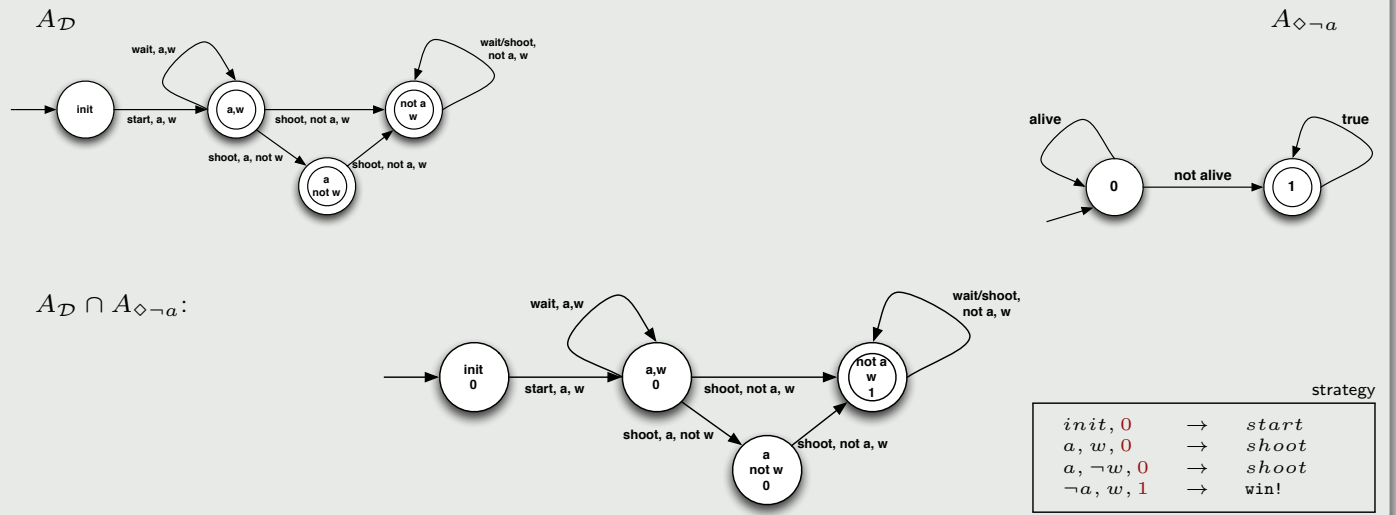


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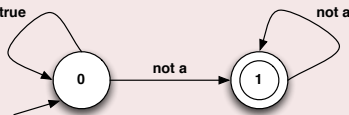
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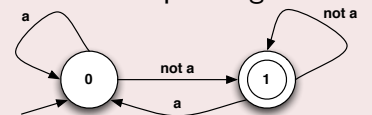
## Generalization: FOND<sub>sc</sub> for $LTL_f$ / $LDL_f$ goals

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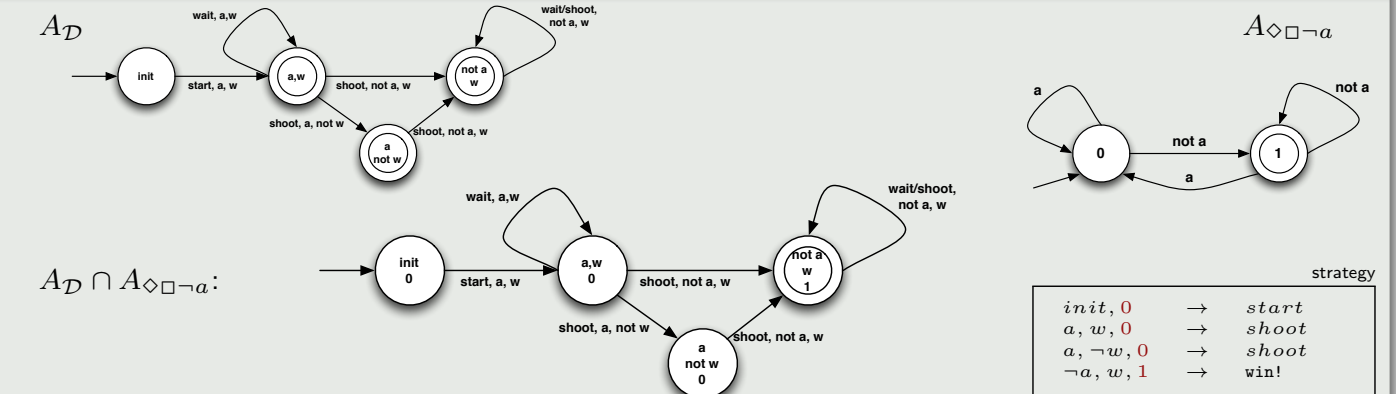


corresponding DFA



(DFA can be exponential in NFA in general)

### Example (Simplified Yale shooting domain)



## Generalization: Fair DFA Games

Because of **stochastic fairness** we need to change the game we play over the DFA!

### Fair DFA games

A **fair DFA game**  $\mathcal{G} = (2^{\mathcal{F} \cup \mathcal{A}}, S, s_{init}, \varrho, F)$ , is such that:

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- A **winning strategy** is a strategy  $f : (2^{\mathcal{F}})^* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  such that all traces  $\pi$  with  $a_i = f(\pi_{\mathcal{F}}|_i)$  are winning for the agent.

## Generalization: Fair DFA Games

### Existential and universal preimages wrt the environment

$$\begin{aligned} PreE(a, S) &= \{s \in S \mid a \in \mathcal{A}. \exists E \in 2^{\mathcal{F}}. \varrho(s, [a, E]) \in S\} \\ PreA(a, S) &= \{s \in S \mid a \in \mathcal{A}. \forall E \in 2^{\mathcal{F}}. \varrho(s, [a, E]) \in S\} \end{aligned}$$

### Agent forces that always agent reach a final state if environment cooperates

The winning condition of the game is defined by two nested fixpoints, a **greatest-fixpoint** (for safety) and **least fixpoint** (for reachability):

$$Safe = \nu X. \mu Y. F \cup \bigcup_{a \in \mathcal{A}} (PreA(a, X) \cap PreE(a, Y))$$

This gives rise to the following nested fixpoint computation:

- $X_0 = S$  (all states of  $\mathcal{G}$ )
- $X_{i+1} = Y_{i+1} = \mu Y. F \cup \bigcup_{a \in \mathcal{A}} (PreA(a, X_i) \cap PreE(a, Y))$
- $Safe = \bigcap_i X_i$

where  $\mu Y. F \cup \bigcup_{a \in \mathcal{A}} (PreA(a, X_i) \cap PreE(a, Y))$  is computed as

- $Y_{i,0} = F$  (the final states of  $\mathcal{G}$ )
- $Y_{i,j+1} = F \cup \bigcup_{a \in \mathcal{A}} (PreA(a, X_i) \cap PreE(a, Y_{i,j}))$
- $Y_i = \bigcup_j Y_{i,j}$

(Computing each  $Y_i$  is linear in the number of states in  $\mathcal{G}$ , hence computing  $Safe$  is quadratic.)

## Generalization: Fair DFA Games

### Computing the winning strategy

We can stratify  $Safe$  according to when a state enters the least fixpoint:

- $Reach_1 = F$ ,
- $Reach_{j+1} = Reach_j \cup PreA(a, Safe) \cap PreE(a, Reach_j)$ .

Note that  $Safe = \bigcup_{j \leq |S|} Reach_j$ .

Let's define  $\omega : S \rightarrow 2^A$  as:

$$\omega(s) = \{a \mid \text{if } s \in Reach_{j+1} - Reach_j \text{ then } \exists E. \varrho(s, [a, E]) \in Reach_j\}$$

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## Generalization: $FOND_{sc}$ for $LTL_f/LDL_f$ goals

### $FOND_{sc}$ for $LTL_f/LDL_f$ goals

#### Algorithm: $FOND_{sc}$ for $LDL_f/LTL_f$ goals

- 1: Given  $LTL_f/LDL_f$  domain  $\mathcal{D}$  and goal  $\varphi$
- 2:   Compute NFA for  $\varphi$  (exponential)
- 3:   Determinize NFA to DFA (exponential)
- 4:   Compute intersection with DFA of  $\mathcal{D}$  (polynomial)
- 5:   Synthesize winning strategy for resulting fairDFA game (quadratic)
- 6: Return strategy

### Theorem

$FOND_{sc}$  for  $LTL_f/LDL_f$  goals is:

- **EXPTIME-complete in the domain;**
- **2-EXPTIME-complete in the goal.**

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## POND<sub>sp</sub>: strong planning in nondeter. domain with partial observability

### Nondeterministic partially observable domain (including initial state)

$\mathcal{D} = (2^{\mathcal{F}}, \mathcal{A}, Obs, s_0, \delta, \alpha, obs)$  where:

- $\mathcal{F}$  **fluents** (atomic propositions)
- $Obs \subseteq \mathcal{F}$  **observable fluents**
- $\mathcal{A}$  **actions** (atomic symbols)
- $2^{\mathcal{F}}$  set of states
- $s_0$  initial state (initial assignment to fluents)
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- $\delta(s, a, s')$  with  $a \in \alpha(s)$  represents **action effects (including frame)**
- $obs(s) \subseteq Obs$  project  $s$  on the **observable fluents only**.

### Goals, planning, and plans

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**Planning** = **game** between two players:

**agent** tries to force eventually reaching  $G$  no matter how other **environment** behave and in spite of seeing only **observable fluents**.

**Plan** = **strategy** (depending on observable fluents only) to **win** the game.

Strategies  $f : (2^{Obs})^* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  such that for all generated traces  $\pi$  with  $E_i$  compatible with observations  $O_i$  and  $a_i = f(\pi_{Obs|_i})$ , we have that  $\pi$  satisfies eventually  $G$ .

(POND, strong plans, 2-EXPTIME-complete)

## Does Belief-State Construction for $\text{POND}_{sp}$ work for $\text{LTL}_f/\text{LDL}_f$ ? Yes ...

### Belief-states DFA game

Given a DFA game  $\mathcal{A} = (2^{\mathcal{F} \cup \mathcal{A}}, S, s_{init}, \varrho, F)$  the associated **belief-states DFA game** is the following DFA game:  $\mathcal{G}_A^{Obs} = (2^{\mathcal{F} \cup \mathcal{A}}, \mathcal{B}, B_{init}, \partial, \mathcal{F})$ , where:

- $2^{\mathcal{F} \cup \mathcal{A}}$  is the alphabet which is the same of the original game;
- $\mathcal{B} = 2^S$  are the **belief states**, corresponding to sets of the states of the original game;
- $B_{init} = \{s_{init}\}$  is the initial belief-state, formed by initial state of the original game;
- $\partial : \mathcal{B} \times 2^{\mathcal{F} \cup \mathcal{A}} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  is the transition function: given the current belief-state  $B$  and a choice of action  $a$  and propositions  $E$ , respectively for the agent and the environment:

$$\partial(B, [a, E]) = \{s' \mid \exists s, E'. s \in B \wedge obs(E') = obs(E) \wedge \delta(s, [a, E]) = s'\}$$

- $\mathcal{F} = 2^F$  are the final belief-states, formed only by final states of the original game.

*NB: **belief-states DFA game**  $\mathcal{G}_A^{Obs}$  is itself a DFA game (with full observability) over the  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{A}$ .*

... Belief-State Construction is 3EXPTIME in the goal!

### Belief-State Algorithm for $\text{POND}_{sp}$ for $\text{LDL}_f/\text{LTL}_f$ goals

- 1: Given domain  $\mathcal{D}$  and  $\text{LTL}_f/\text{LDL}_f$  formula  $\varphi$
- 2: Compute NFA for  $\varphi$  (exponential)
- 3: Determinize NFA to DFA (exponential)
- 4: Compute intersection with DFA of  $\mathcal{D}$  (polynomial)
- 5: Compute the **belief-state DFA game** (exponential)
- 6: Synthesize winning strategy for resulting DFA game (linear)
- 7: Return strategy

*Cost is 2-EXPTIME in  $\mathcal{D}$  and 3-EXPTIME in  $\varphi$ !*

Can we do better? **YES!**

# Projection-based Construction

## POND<sub>sp</sub> for LTL<sub>f</sub>/LDL<sub>f</sub> goals

### Projection-based Algorithm for POND<sub>sp</sub> for LDL<sub>f</sub>/LTL<sub>f</sub> goals

- 1: Given domain  $\mathcal{D}$  and LTL<sub>f</sub>/LDL<sub>f</sub> formula  $\varphi$
- 2: Compute NFA for  $\neg\varphi$  (exponential)
- 4: Compute NFA for union with complement of DFA for  $\mathcal{D}$  (polynomial)
- 3: Project out unobservable props, getting NFA  $\overline{A}$  (linear)  
*(behaves existentially on unobservables)*
- 4: Complement NFA  $\overline{A}$  getting DFA  $A$  (exponential)  
*(behaves universally on unobservables)*
- 5: Synthesize winning strategy for resulting DFA game  $A$  (linear)
- 6: Return strategy

*(Inspired by [DeGiacomoVardi-IJCAI16])*

### Theorem

POND<sub>sp</sub> for LTL<sub>f</sub>/LDL<sub>f</sub> goals is:

- 2-EXPTIME-complete in the domain;
- 2-EXPTIME-complete in the goal.

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## Conclusion

### Summary

In Planning we separate the **domain** from the **goal** (*this is not the case in synthesis*), for good reasons!

- **Domain:** it is a representation of the world in which the agent acts, hence typically large
  - ▶ Cost for  $\text{FOND}_{sp}$ ,  $\text{FOND}_{sc}$  is EXPTIME-complete, ...
  - ▶ ... independently from the goal being classical reachability,  $\text{LTL}_f$  or  $\text{LDL}_f$
- **Goal:** it is an objective the agent wants to obtain, hence typically small
  - ▶ Costs depends on the size of the DFA corresponding the  $\text{LTL}_f/\text{LDL}_f$  expressing the goal
  - ▶ Polynomial for reachability, i.e.,  $\Diamond G$ , ( $G$  propositional), as well as for many  $\text{LTL}_f/\text{LDL}_f$  formulas that admit a small (bounded) DFA.
  - ▶ Exponential for those  $\text{LTL}_f/\text{LDL}_f$  that do not require to determinization
  - ▶ 2EXPTIME-complete, in general

### Two basic solvers

We used two basic solvers *on which the planning community has the best know-how*:

- for DFA games (“eventually good”), i.e., a **FOND strong planner**
- for fair DFA games (“eventually good (under fairness)”), i.e., a **FOND strong cyclic planner**

*See work in progress at: <http://fond4ltlfp1tl.diag.uniroma1.it>*

*See papers by Alberto Camacho, Christian Muise, Jorge A. Baier, Sheila A. McIlraith at IJCAI18 and ICAPS18*