idea: define regular LT properties to be those languages of infinite words over the alphabet 2<sup>AP</sup> that have a representation by a finite automata

- regular safety properties:
   NFA-representation for the bad prefixes
- representation other regular LT properties by
  - \*  $\omega$ -automata, i.e., acceptors for infinite words
  - \*  $\omega$ -regular expressions

semantics:  $\alpha \mapsto \mathcal{L}(\alpha) \subseteq \Sigma^*$  language of finite words

$$\mathcal{L}(\emptyset) = \emptyset$$
  $\mathcal{L}(\epsilon) = \{\epsilon\}$   $\mathcal{L}(A) = \{A\}$ 
 $\mathcal{L}(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) = \mathcal{L}(\alpha_1) \cup \mathcal{L}(\alpha_2)$  union
 $\mathcal{L}(\alpha_1.\alpha_2) = \mathcal{L}(\alpha_1)\mathcal{L}(\alpha_2)$  concatenation
 $\mathcal{L}(\alpha^*) = \mathcal{L}(\alpha)^*$  Kleene closure

regular expressions:

$$\alpha ::= \emptyset \mid \epsilon \mid A \mid \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \mid \alpha_1 \cdot \alpha_2 \mid \alpha^*$$

 $\omega$ -regular expressions:

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regular expressions + \omega-operator \alpha^{\omega}
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Kleene star: "finite repetition"
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 $\omega$ -operator: "infinite repetition"

for 
$$L \subseteq \Sigma^*$$
:

$$L^{\omega} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left\{ w_1 w_2 w_3 \dots : w_i \in L \text{ for all } i \geq 1 \right\}$$

note:  $L^{\omega} \subseteq \Sigma^{\omega}$  if  $\varepsilon \notin L$ 

# Syntax and semantics of $\omega$ -regular expressions Letting 3.2-25

syntax of  $\omega$ -regular expressions over alphabet  $\Sigma$ :

$$\gamma = \alpha_1 \cdot \beta_1^{\omega} + ... + \alpha_n \cdot \beta_n^{\omega}$$
 where

 $\alpha_i$ ,  $\beta_i$  are regular expressions over  $\Sigma$  s.t.  $\varepsilon \notin \mathcal{L}(\beta_i)$ 

semantics: the language generated by  $\gamma$  is:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\gamma) \stackrel{\mathsf{def}}{=} \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq n} \mathcal{L}(\alpha_i) \mathcal{L}(\beta_i)^{\omega} \subseteq \Sigma^{\omega}$$

- language of  $(A^*.B)^{\omega}$  = set of all infinite words over  $\Sigma = \{A, B\}$  containing infinitely many B's
- language of  $(A^*.B)^{\omega} + (B^*.A)^{\omega} = \text{set of all infinite}$ words over  $\Sigma$  with infinitely many A's or B's =  $\Sigma^{\omega}$

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A language  $L \subseteq \Sigma^{\omega}$  is called  $\omega$ -regular iff there exists an  $\omega$ -regular expression  $\gamma$  s.t.  $L = \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\gamma)$ 

alphabet 
$$\Sigma = \{A, B\}$$

 set of all infinite words over Σ containing only finitely many A's

$$(A+B)^*.B^{\omega}$$

 set of all infinite words where each A is followed immediately by letter B

$$(B^*.A.B)^*.B^{\omega} + (B^*.A.B)^{\omega}$$

 set of all infinite words where each A is followed eventually by letter B

$$(B^*.A^+.B)^*.B^\omega + (B^*.A^+.B)^\omega \equiv (A^*.B)^\omega$$
  
where  $\alpha^+ \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \alpha.\alpha^*$ .

Let E be an LT-property over AP, i.e.,  $E \subseteq (2^{AP})^{\omega}$ 

E is called an  $\omega$ -regular property iff there exists an  $\omega$ -regular expression  $\gamma$  over  $2^{AP}$  s.t.  $E = \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\gamma)$ 

Examples for  $AP = \{a, b\}$ 

invariant with invariant condition a ∨ ¬b

$$(\emptyset + \{a\} + \{a,b\})^{\omega}$$
 Each invariant is  $\omega$ -regular

Let  $\Phi$  be an invariant condition and let

$$\{A \subseteq AP : A \models \Phi\} = \{A_1, ..., A_k\}$$

Then: invariant "always  $\Phi$ "  $\widehat{=} (A_1 + ... + A_k)^{\omega}$ 

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Examples for  $AP = \{a, b\}$ 

invariant with invariant condition a ∨ ¬b

$$(\emptyset + \{a\} + \{a,b\})^{\omega}$$

Indeed: each invariant is  $\omega$ -regular

"infinitely often a"

$$((\emptyset + \{b\})^*.(\{a\} + \{a,b\}))^{\omega}$$

Let E be an LT-property over AP, i.e.,  $E \subseteq 2^{AP}$ .

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# Examples for $AP = \{a, b\}$ :

- "always a" (or any other invariant)
- "infinitely often a"
- "eventually a"

$$(2^{AP})^*.(\{a\} + \{a,b\}).(2^{AP})^{\omega}$$

"from some moment on a"

$$(2^{AP})^*.(\{a\}+\{a,b\})^{\omega}$$

### Examples for $AP = \{a, b\}$

• invariant with invariant condition  $a \lor \neg b$ 

$$(a \lor \neg b)^{\omega} = (\emptyset + \{a\} + \{a,b\})^{\omega}$$

"infinitely often a"

$$((\neg a)^*.a)^{\omega} = ((\emptyset + \{b\})^*.(\{a\} + \{a,b\}))^{\omega}$$

• "from some moment on a":

• "whenever a then b will hold somewhen later"

$$((\neg a)^*.a.true^*.b)^*.(\neg a)^\omega + ((\neg a)^*.a.true^*.b)^\omega$$

NBA 
$$\mathcal{A} = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, Q_0, F)$$

- Q finite set of states
- Σ alphabet
- $\delta: Q \times \Sigma \to 2^Q$  transition relation
- $Q_0 \subseteq Q$  set of initial states
- $F \subseteq Q$  set of final states, also called accept states

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run for a word A_0 A_1 A_2 \ldots \in \Sigma^{\omega}:

state sequence \pi = q_0 q_1 q_2 \ldots where q_0 \in Q_0

and q_{i+1} \in \delta(q_i, A_i) for i \geq 0
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run  $\pi$  is accepting if  $\stackrel{\infty}{\exists} i \in \mathbb{N}$ .  $q_i \in F$ 

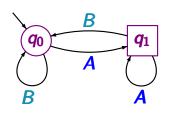
### Nondeterministic Büchi automata (NBA)

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accepted language  $\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \Sigma^{\omega}$  is given by:

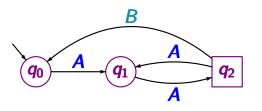
$$\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}) \stackrel{\mathsf{def}}{=}$$
 set of infinite words over  $\Sigma$  that have an accepting run in  $\mathcal{A}$ 



accepted language:

set of all infinite words that contain infinitely many **A**'s

$$(B^*.A)^{\omega}$$



accepted language:

"every **B** is preceded by a positive even number of **A**'s"

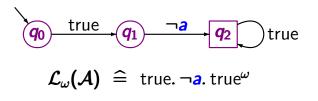
$$((A.A)^+.B)^{\omega} + ((A.A)^+.B)^*.A^{\omega}$$

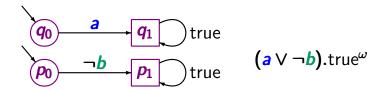
NBA 
$$\mathcal{A} = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, Q_0, F)$$

- Q finite set of states
- $\Sigma$  alphabet  $\longleftarrow$  here:  $\Sigma = 2^{AP}$
- $\delta: Q \times \Sigma \to 2^Q$  transition relation
- $Q_0 \subseteq Q$  set of initial states
- $F \subseteq Q$  set of final states, also called accept states

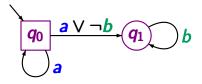
accepted language  $\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A})$  is an LT-property:

 $\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}) = \text{ set of infinite words over } 2^{AP} \text{ that have an accepting run in } \mathcal{A}$ 

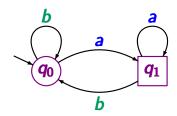




set of atomic propositions  $AP = \{a, b\}$ 

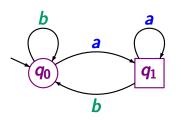


"always  $\mathbf{a}$ "  $\widehat{=} \mathbf{a}^{\omega}$ 

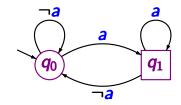


"infinitely often **a** and always **a** V **b**"

$$\widehat{=} \left( (a \lor b)^*.a \right)^{\omega}$$



"infinitely often a and always  $a \lor b$ "  $((a \lor b)^*.a)^{\omega}$ 



"infinitely often a"  $((\neg a)^*.a)^{\omega}$ 

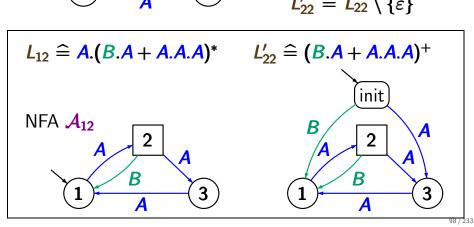
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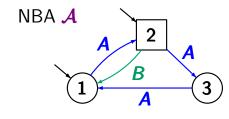
*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an NBA  $(Q, \Sigma, \delta, Q_0, F)$  and  $q, p \in Q$ . Let  $\mathcal{A}_{q,p}$  be the NFA  $(Q, \Sigma, \delta, q, \{p\})$ . Then:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}) = \bigcup_{q \in Q_0} \bigcup_{p \in F} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}_{q,p}) \left( \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}_{p,p}) \setminus \{\varepsilon\} \right)^{\omega}$$

is  $\omega$ -regular as  $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}_{q,p})$  and  $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}_{p,p})\setminus\{arepsilon\}$  are regular

NBA 
$$\mathcal{A}$$
  $\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}) = L_{12}(L'_{22})^{\omega} \cup L_{22}(L'_{22})^{\omega}$   $L_{12} = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}_{12})$   $L_{22} = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}_{22})$   $L'_{22} = L_{22} \setminus \{\varepsilon\}$ 

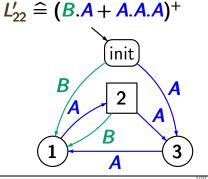




language of A:

$$A.(B.A + A.A.A)^{\omega} + (B.A + A.A.A)^{\omega}$$

$$\equiv (A + \varepsilon).(B.A + A.A.A)^{\omega}$$



For each  $\omega$ -regular expression

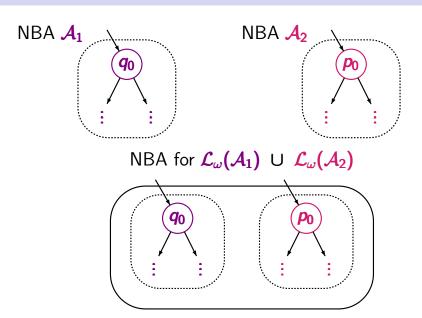
$$\gamma = \alpha_1.\beta_1^{\omega} + ... + \alpha_n.\beta_n^{\omega}$$

 $\gamma = \alpha_1 . \beta_1^{\omega} + ... + \alpha_n . \beta_n^{\omega}$ there exists an NBA  $\mathcal A$  with  $\mathcal L_{\omega}(\mathcal A) = \mathcal L_{\omega}(\gamma)$ .

*Proof.* consider NFA  $A_i$  for  $\alpha_i$  and  $B_i$  for  $\beta_i$ 

- construct NBA  $\mathcal{B}_{i}^{\omega}$  for  $\mathcal{B}_{i}^{\omega}$
- construct NBA  $C_i = A_i B_i^{\omega}$  for  $\alpha_i . \beta_i^{\omega}$
- construct **NBA** for  $\bigcup \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{C}_i)$





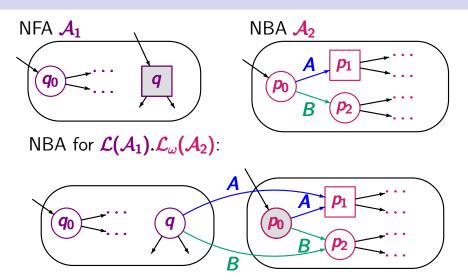
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- construct NBA for  $\bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq n} \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{C}_i)$



accept states as in  $A_2$ 

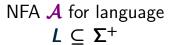
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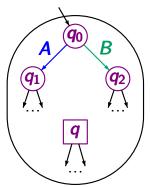
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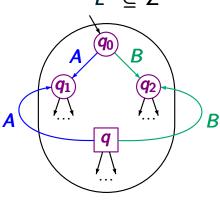
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- construct NBA  $C_i = A_i B_i^{\omega}$  for  $\alpha_i . \beta_i^{\omega}$
- construct NBA for  $\bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq n} \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{C}_i)$

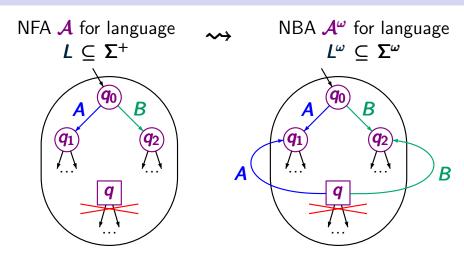




NBA  $\mathcal{A}^{\omega}$  for language  $\mathcal{L}^{\omega} \subseteq \Sigma^{\omega}$ 



wrong!

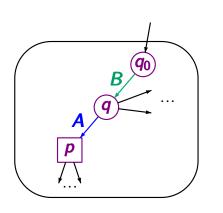


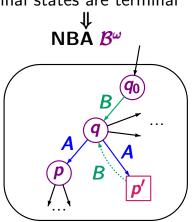
#### wrong!

... correct, if  $\delta(q, x) = \emptyset \quad \forall q \in F \ \forall x \in \Sigma$ 

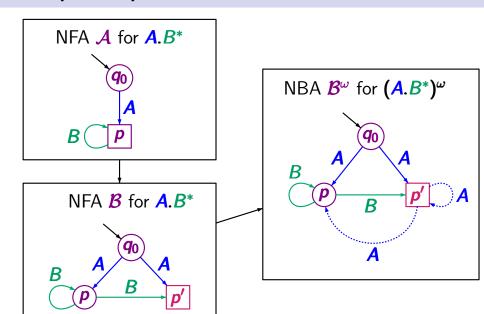
 $\begin{array}{c}
\mathsf{NFA} \ \mathcal{A} \ \text{for language} \\
L \subseteq \Sigma^{+}
\end{array}$ 

**NFA**  $\mathcal{B}$  for L s.t. all final states are terminal





$$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A})^{\omega} = \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{B}^{\omega})$$



- For each NBA  $\mathcal{A}$  there exists an  $\omega$ -regular expression  $\gamma$  with  $\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}) = \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\gamma)$
- (2) For each  $\omega$ -regular expression  $\gamma$  there exists an NBA  $\mathcal{A}$  with  $\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}) = \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\gamma)$

#### Corollary:

If E be an LT property, i.e.,  $E \subseteq (2^{AP})^{\omega}$ , then:

**E** is  $\omega$ -regular iff  $\mathbf{E} = \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A})$  for some **NBA**  $\mathcal{A}$ over the alphabet 2<sup>AP</sup>

### Closure properties of $\omega$ -regular properties

remind: Kleene's theorem for regular languages:

The class of regular languages is closed under

- union, intersection, complementation
- concatenation and Kleene star

The class of  $\omega$ -regular languages is closed under union, intersection and complementation.

# Closure properties of $\omega$ -regular properties

The class of  $\omega$ -regular languages is closed under union, intersection and complementation.

- union: obvious from definition of  $\omega$ -regular expressions
- intersection:
   will be discussed later
   relies on a certain product construction for NBA
- complementation: much more difficult than for NFA, via other types of ω-automata

#### Nonemptiness for NBA

given: NBA  $\mathcal{A} = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, Q_0, F)$ 

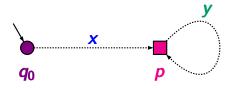
question: does  $\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}) \neq \emptyset$  hold?

Let  $\mathcal{A} = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, Q_0, F)$  be an NBA. Then:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}) \neq \emptyset$$
 iff  $\exists q_0 \in Q_0 \ \exists p \in F \ \exists x \in \Sigma^* \ \exists y \in \Sigma^+$ .  
 $p \in \delta(q_0, x) \cap \delta(p, y)$ 

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there exists a reachable accept state  $p \in F$  that belongs to a cycle



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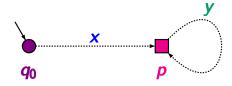
$$\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}) \neq \varnothing \quad \text{iff} \quad \exists q_0 \in Q_0 \ \exists p \in F \ \exists x \in \Sigma^* \ \exists y \in \Sigma^+.$$

$$p \in \delta(q_0, x) \cap \delta(p, y)$$

$$\text{iff} \quad \text{there exist finite words } x, y \in \Sigma^*$$

$$\text{s.t. } y \neq \varepsilon \text{ and } xy^{\omega} \in \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A})$$

"ultimatively periodic words"



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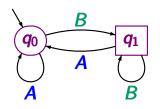
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iff there exist finite words  $x, y \in \Sigma^*$   
s.t.  $y \neq \varepsilon$  and  $xy^{\omega} \in \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A})$ 

The emptiness problem for NBA is solvable by means of graph algorithms in time  $\mathcal{O}(poly(A))$ 

A DBA is an NBA  $\mathcal{A} = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, Q_0, F)$  such that

- A has a unique initial state,
   i.e., Q<sub>0</sub> is a singleton
- $|\delta(q, A)| \le 1$  for all  $q \in Q$  and  $A \in \Sigma$

notation: 
$$\mathcal{A} = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$$
 if  $Q_0 = \{q_0\}$ 



DBA for "infinitely often **B**"

alphabet 
$$\Sigma = \{A, B\}$$

# Determinization by powerset construction

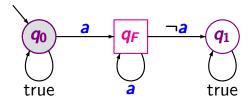
#### well-known:

the powerset construction for the determinization (and complementation) of finite automata (NFA)

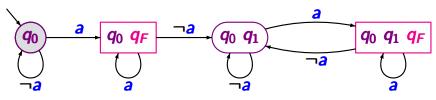
## question:

does the powerset construction also work for Büchi automata (NBA) ?

# **NBA** for "eventually forever a"

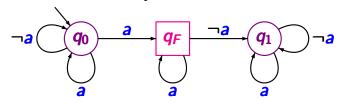


### powerset construction

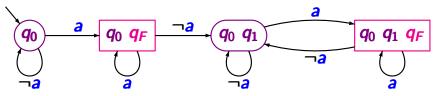


e.g., 
$$\delta(q_0, \mathbf{a}) = \{q_0, q_F\}$$
 and  $\delta(q_0, \neg \mathbf{a}) = \{q_0\}$ 

# **NBA** for "eventually forever a"



### powerset construction



**DBA** for "infinitely often a"

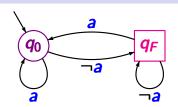
# Complementation of DBA

### well-known:

**DFA** can be complemented by complementation of the acceptance set

## question:

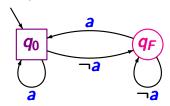
does this also work for DBA?



Complementation

**DBA** for "infinitely often ¬a"

complement automaton



**DBA** for "infinitely often **a**"

There is **no DBA** for the LT-property "eventually forever a"

There is no DBA  $\mathcal{A}$  over the alphabet  $\Sigma = \{A, B\}$  such that  $\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}) = \mathcal{L}_{\omega}((A + B)^*.A^{\omega})$ 

Hence: there is no DBA for the LT-property

"eventually forever a"

*Proof:* apply the above theorem for  $A = \{a\}$ ,  $B = \emptyset$ 

The class of **DBA**-recognizable languages is a proper subclass of the class of  $\omega$ -regular languages and is not closed under complementation.

There is no DBA  $\mathcal{A}$  over the alphabet  $\Sigma = \{A, B\}$  such that  $\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(A) = \mathcal{L}_{\omega}((A + B)^*.A^{\omega})$ 

The class of **DBA**-recognizable languages is a proper subclass of the class of  $\omega$ -regular languages and is not closed under complementation.

 $(A^*.B)^{\omega}$  "infinitely many B's" DBA-recognizable  $(A+B)^*.A^{\omega}$  "only finitely many B's" not DBA-recognizable

A generalized nondeterministic Büchi automaton is a tuple

$$\mathcal{G} = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, Q_0, \mathcal{F})$$

where  $Q, \Sigma, \delta, Q_0$  are as in NBA, but  $\mathcal{F}$  is a set of accept sets, i.e.,  $\mathcal{F} \subseteq 2^Q$ .

A run  $q_0 q_1 q_2 \dots$  for some infinite word  $\sigma \in \Sigma^{\omega}$  is called accepting if each accept set is visited infinitely often, i.e.,

$$\forall F \in \mathcal{F} \stackrel{\infty}{\exists} i \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } q_i \in F$$

GNBA 
$$\mathcal{G} = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, Q_0, \mathcal{F})$$
 as NBA, but  $\mathcal{F} \subseteq 2^Q$ 

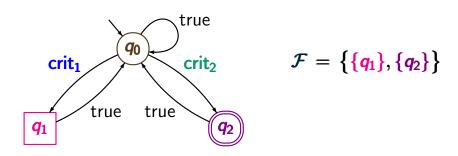
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$$\forall F \in \mathcal{F} \stackrel{\infty}{\exists} i \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } q_i \in F$$

accepted language:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{G}) \stackrel{\mathsf{def}}{=} \left\{ \sigma \in \Sigma^{\omega} : \sigma \text{ has an accepting run in } \mathcal{G} \right\}$$

GNBA 
$$G$$
 over  $\Sigma = 2^{AP}$  where  $AP = \{\text{crit}_1, \text{crit}_2\}$ 



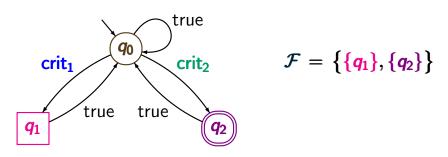
specifies the LT-property

"infinitely often crit1 and infinitely often crit2"

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rite
$$\begin{array}{cccc} \operatorname{crit}_1 & \operatorname{crit}_2 & \mathcal{F} = \left\{ \{q_1\}, \{q_2\} \right\} \\
 & \operatorname{note:} & q_0 \xrightarrow{A} q_1 & \operatorname{implies} & A \models \operatorname{crit}_1 \\
 & q_0 \xrightarrow{A} q_2 & \operatorname{implies} & A \models \operatorname{crit}_2 \\
 & \operatorname{hence:} & \operatorname{if} & A_0 & A_1 & A_2 & \ldots & \in \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{G}) & \operatorname{then} \\
 & \exists & i \geq 0. & \operatorname{crit}_1 \in A_i & \wedge & \exists & i \geq 0. & \operatorname{crit}_2 \in A_i \\
\end{array}$$

GNBA G over  $\Sigma = 2^{AP}$  where  $AP = \{\text{crit}_1, \text{crit}_2\}$ 



all words  $A_0 A_1 A_2 ... \in \Sigma^{\omega}$  s.t.  $\exists i \geq 0$ .  $\text{crit}_1 \in A_i$  and  $\exists i \geq 0$ .  $\text{crit}_2 \in A_i$  have an accepting run of the form:

$$q_0 \dots q_0 q_1 q_0 \dots q_0 q_2 q_0 \dots q_0 q_1 q_0 \dots q_0 q_2 \dots$$

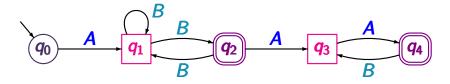
GNBA 
$$\mathcal{G}$$

$$q_0 \xrightarrow{A} \xrightarrow{q_1} \xrightarrow{B} q_2$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \{\{q_1\}, \{q_2\}\}$$

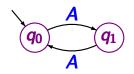
$$\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{G}) = \varnothing$$

GNBA  $\mathcal{G}'$  with  $\mathcal{F}' = \{\{q_1, q_3\}, \{q_2, q_4\}\}$ 



accepted language:  $A.B^{\omega} + A.B^{+}.A.(A.B)^{\omega}$ 

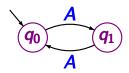
NBA  $\mathcal{A}$  over  $\Sigma = \{A, B\}$ :



acceptance set  $F = \emptyset$ 

$$\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}) = \emptyset$$

GNBA  $\mathcal{G}$  over  $\Sigma = \{A, B\}$ :



set of acceptance sets

$$\mathcal{F} = \emptyset$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{G}) = \left\{ A^{\omega} 
ight\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{G}) = \begin{cases} \text{ set of all infinite words} \\ \text{that have an infinite run} \end{cases}$$

For every GNBA  $\mathcal{G}$  there exists a GNBA  $\mathcal{G}'$  such that

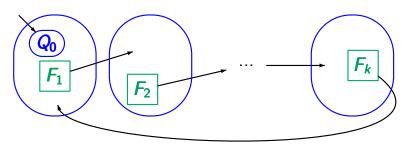
- $\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{G}) = \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{G}')$
- the set of acceptance sets of G' is nonempty

#### correct

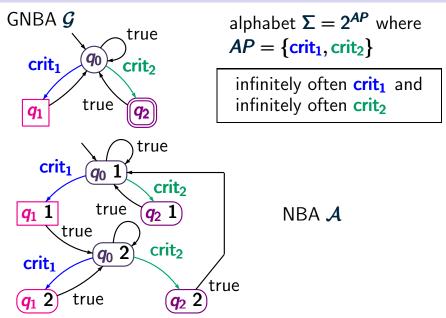
For each GNBA  ${\cal G}$  there exists an NBA  ${\cal A}$  with

$$\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{G}) = \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A})$$

Proof. Let  $\mathcal{G} = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, Q_0, \mathcal{F})$  with  $\mathcal{F} = \{F_1, ..., F_k\}$  and  $k \geq 2$ . NBA  $\mathcal{A}$  results from k copies of  $\mathcal{G}$ :



size of the NBA:  $size(A) = \mathcal{O}(size(G) \cdot |F|)$ 



# Closure properties of $\omega$ -regular properties

The class of  $\omega$ -regular languages is closed under union, intersection and complementation.

- ullet union: obvious from definition of  $\omega$ -regular expressions
- intersection: ← using GNBA
   via some product construction
- complementation:
   via other types of ω-automata
   (not discussed here)

$$egin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_1 &= \left(Q_1, \Sigma, \delta_1, Q_{0,1}, F_1
ight) \ \mathcal{A}_2 &= \left(Q_2, \Sigma, \delta_2, Q_{0,2}, F_2
ight) \end{aligned} \end{aligned} ext{two NBA}$$

goal: define an **NBA**  $\mathcal{A}$  s.t.  $\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}) = \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}_1) \cap \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}_2)$ 

idea: define  $A_1 \otimes A_2$  as for **NFA**, i.e.,

- $A_1$  and  $A_2$  run in parallel (synchronously)
- and check whether both are accepting

i.e., both  $\emph{F}_{1}$  and  $\emph{F}_{2}$  are visited infinitely often

 $\rightsquigarrow$  product of  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  yields a GNBA

$$A_1 = (Q_1, \Sigma, \delta_1, Q_{0,1}, F_1)$$
  
 $A_2 = (Q_2, \Sigma, \delta_2, Q_{0,2}, F_2)$  two NBA

goal: define an NBA  $\mathcal{A}$  s.t.  $\mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}) = \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}_1) \cap \mathcal{L}_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}_2)$ 

GNBA 
$$G = A_1 \otimes A_2$$
  $\longleftrightarrow$  equivalent NBA  $A$ 

- state space  $Q = Q_1 \times Q_2$
- alphabet Σ
- set of initial states:  $Q_0 = Q_{0,1} \times Q_{0,2}$
- acceptance condition:  $\mathcal{F} = \{F_1 \times Q_2, Q_1 \times F_2\}$
- transition relation:

$$\delta(\langle q_1, q_2 \rangle, A) = \{\langle p_1, p_2 \rangle : p_1 \in \delta_1(q_1, A), p_2 \in \delta_2(q_2, A)\}$$

# Summary: $\omega$ -regular languages

The class of  $\omega$ -regular languages agrees with

- the class of languages given by  $\omega$ -regular expressions
- the class of **NBA**-recognizable languages
- the class of **GNBA**-recognizable languages

but DBA are strictly less expressive

The class of  $\omega$ -regular languages is closed under union, intersection and complementation.