CS 228 : Logic in Computer Science

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Model Checking







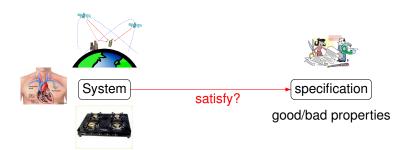
➤ Year 2007 : ACM confers the Turing Award to the pioneers of Model Checking: Ed Clarke, Allen Emerson, and Joseph Sifakis

https://amturing.acm.org/award_winners/clarke_1167964

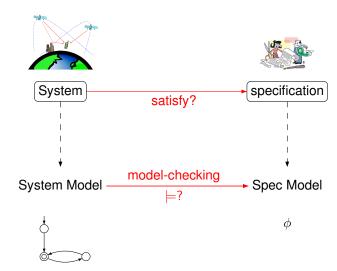
Model checking

- Model checking has evolved in last 25 years into a widely used verification and debugging technique for software and hardware.
- Model checking used (and further developed) by companies/institutes such as IBM, Intel, NASA, Cadence, Microsoft, and Siemens, and has culminated in many freely downloadable software tools that allow automated verification.

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Model Checker as a Black Box

- Inputs to Model checker: A finite state system M, and a property P to be checked.
- Question : Does M satisfy P?
- Possible Outputs
 - Yes, M satisfies P
 - No, here is a counter example!.

What are Models?

Transition Systems

- ► States labeled with propositions
- ► Transition relation between states
- ► Action-labeled transitions to facilitate composition

What are Properties?

Example properties

- ► Can the system reach a deadlock?
- ► Can two processes ever be together in a critical section?
- ▶ On termination, does a program provide correct output?

Notations for Infinite Words

- Σ is a finite alphabet
- $ightharpoonup \Sigma^*$ set of finite words over Σ
- ▶ An infinite word is written as $\alpha = \alpha(0)\alpha(1)\alpha(2)\dots$, where $\alpha(i) \in \Sigma$
- ▶ Such words are called ω -words
- $\triangleright a^{\omega}, a^{7}.b^{\omega}$

Transition Systems

A Transition System is a tuple $(S, Act, \rightarrow, I, AP, L)$ where

- S is a set of states
- Act is a set of actions
- $s \stackrel{\alpha}{\to} s'$ in $S \times Act \times S$ is the transition relation
- ▶ $I \subseteq S$ is the set of initial states
- ► AP is the set of atomic propositions
- ▶ $L: S \rightarrow 2^{AP}$ is the labeling function

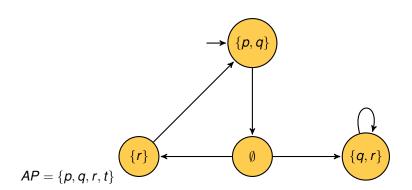
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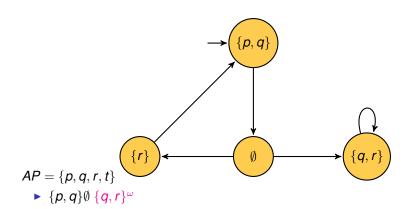
- ▶ Labels of the locations represent values of all observable propositions ∈ AP
- Captures system state
- ▶ Focus on sequences $L(s_0)L(s_1)...$ of labels of locations
- Such sequences are called traces
- Assuming transition systems have no terminal states,
 - Traces are infinite words over 2^{AP}
 - Traces ∈ (2^{AP})^ω
 - Go to the example slide and define traces

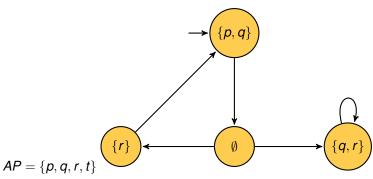
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Given a transition system $TS = (S, Act, \rightarrow, I, AP, L)$ without terminal states,

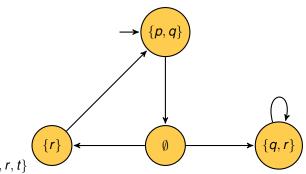
- All maximal executions/paths are infinite
- ▶ Path $\pi = s_0 s_1 s_2 ..., trace(\pi) = L(s_0)L(s_1)...$
- ► For a set Π of paths, $Trace(Π) = \{trace(π) \mid π ∈ Π\}$
- ▶ For a location s, Traces(s) = Trace(Paths(s))
- ▶ $Traces(TS) = \bigcup_{s \in I} Traces(s)$







- - (f, q, y) (q, r)
 - $(\{p,q\}\emptyset\{r\})^{\omega}$



- $AP = \{p, q, r, t\}$
 - $\blacktriangleright \{p,q\}\emptyset \{q,r\}^{\omega}$
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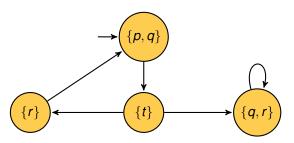
Linear Time Properties

- ▶ Linear-time properties specify traces that a *TS* must have
- ▶ A LT property P over AP is a subset of $(2^{AP})^{\omega}$
- ► TS over AP satisfies a LT property P over AP

$$TS \models P \text{ iff } Traces(TS) \subseteq P$$

▶ $s \in S$ satisfies LT property P (denoted $s \models P$) iff $Traces(s) \subseteq P$

Specifying Traces



- ▶ Whenever *p* is true, *r* will eventually become true
 - $A_0A_1A_2\cdots \mid \forall i\geqslant 0, p\in A_i\rightarrow \exists j\geqslant i, r\in A_j$
- q is true infinitely often
 - $A_0A_1A_2\cdots \mid \forall i\geqslant 0, \exists j\geqslant i, q\in A_j$
- Whenever r is true, so is q
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- Temporal Operators
 - $\triangleright \bigcirc \varphi \text{ (Next } \varphi \text{)}$
 - $\varphi \cup \psi \ (\varphi \text{ holds until a } \psi \text{-state is reached})$
- LTL : Logic for describing LT properties

Semantics (On the board)

LTL formulae φ over AP interpreted over words $w \in \Sigma^{\omega}$, $\Sigma = 2^{AP}$, $w \models \varphi$