# CSE 620: Selective Topics Introduction to Formal Verification



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Lecture #9



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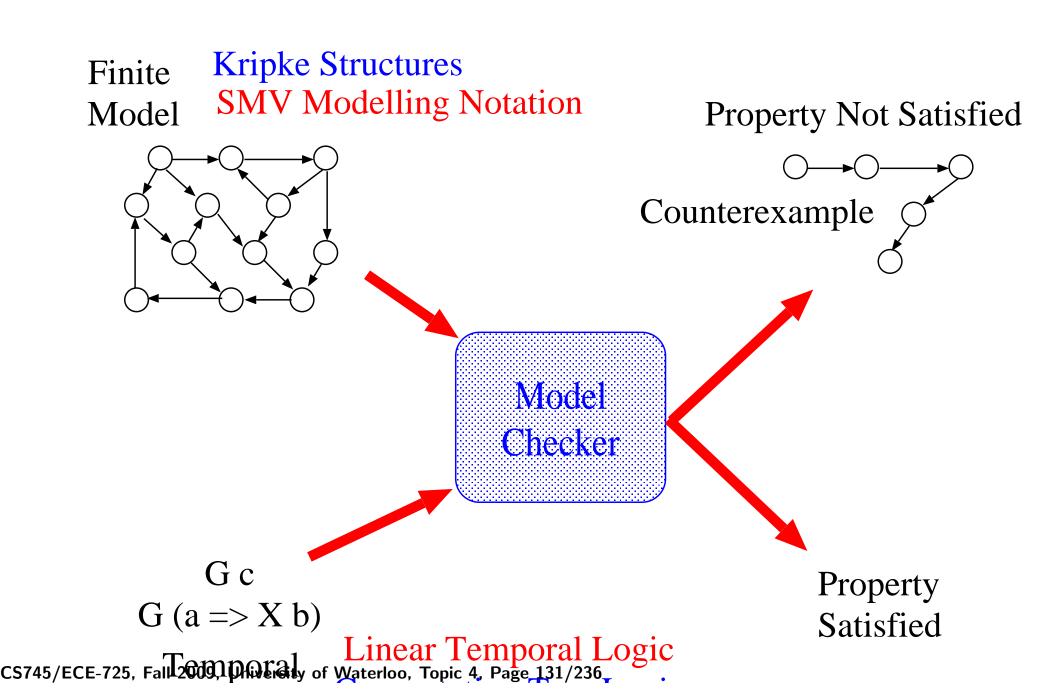
#### **Course Outline**

- Computational Boolean Algebra
  - —Basics
    - Shannon Expansion
    - Boolean Difference
    - Quantification Operators
      - + Application to Logic Network Repair
  - —Validity Checking (Tautology Checking)
  - —Binary Decision Diagrams (BDD's)
  - Satisfiability Checking (SAT solving)
- Model Checking
  - —Temporal Logics → LTL CTL
  - —SMV: Symbolic Model Verifier
- —Model Checking Algorithms → Explicit CTL





## Model Checking



#### Algorithms: Roadmap

#### Problem

Given a model  $\mathcal{M}$  (usually a Kripke structure) that represents the behaviour of a system, a state s, and a temporal logic formula f that represents a desired property of the system, determine whether the model and state satisfy the formula:

$$\mathcal{M} \models f$$

Model checking algorithms that we'll study:

- Explicit CTL Model Checking: labelling a graph
- Symbolic CTL Model Checking: representing sets of states using Boolean functions

#### Explicit CTL Model Checking

- Explicit representation of the Kripke structure as a labeled, directed graph with arcs given by pointers.
- Nodes represent the states in S
- Arcs represent the transition relation R
- Labels associated with the nodes are given by the function  $L: S \rightarrow 2^{\mbox{AP}}$
- ► Introduce another labelling function, *label*, to represent temporal formulae that are true of that state

Sources: Clarke, Emerson, Sistla [R10], Clarke, Grumberg, Peled [R11], Huth and Ryan [R18]

Start with all states labeled with the atomic propositions that are true in those states

$$label(s) := L(s)$$

Continue to label states with the temporal formulae that we find are true of that state.

The algorithm works recursively over the structure of the formula.

The depth of a formula is the number of levels of subformulae. A depth of 0 means there are no subformulae. A depth of 1 means there is one level of subformulae.

- 1. Decompose formula f into subformulae
- 2. label(s) := L(s) labels all states that satisfy subformulae of depth 0
- 3. Find all states that satisfy subformulae of depth 1 and add the subformula to the labels of the states where it is true.

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- n +1. Find all states that satisfy subformulae of depth n (which is formula f) and add the subformula to the labels of the states where it is true.
- n +2. Test whether label(s) contains formula f

$$\mathcal{M}, s \models f \text{ iff } f \in label(s)$$

To check whether a formula holds of all reachable states of the model, check whether the initial states are all labelled with f.

$$\mathcal{M} \models f$$
 iff  $\forall s_0 \in S_0 \bullet s_0 \in \{s \mid \mathcal{M}, s \models f\}$ 

Any CTL formula can be expressed in terms of  $\neg$ ,  $\lor$ , **EX**, **EU**, **EG**.

$$f_1 \wedge f_2 = \neg(\neg f_1 \vee \neg f_2)$$

$$\mathsf{EF}\ f = \mathsf{E}[\mathsf{true}\ \mathsf{U}\ f]$$

AX 
$$f = \neg(\mathsf{EX} \neg f)$$
  
AF  $f = \neg(\mathsf{EG} \neg f)$   
AG  $f = \neg(\mathsf{EF} \neg f) = \neg(\mathsf{E}[\mathsf{true} \ \mathsf{U} \neg f])$   
A[ $f \ \mathsf{U} \ g$ ] =  $\neg\mathsf{E}[\neg g \ \mathsf{U} \ (\neg f \land \neg g)] \land \neg\mathsf{EG}(\neg g)$ 

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Check \neg f_1
Add \neg f_1 to all label(s) if f_1 \notin label(s)
Complexity: O(|S|) (walk over the set of states)
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Check f_1 \lor f_2
Add f_1 \lor f_2 to label(s) if either f_1 or f_2 are in label(s)
Complexity: O(|S|) (walk over the set of states)
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Recall: S is the set of states, R is the transition relation. |S| is the size of the state space.

# Explicit CTL M/C: EX

Label every state that has some successor labelled by  $f_1$ .

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CheckEX(f_1)
K = \{s \mid f_1 \in label(s)\};
while K \neq \emptyset do
choose \ s \in K;
K := K \setminus \{s\};
for all (t,s) \in R do
if \ \mathbf{EX} f_1 \not\in label(t) \ then
label(t) := label(t) \cup \ \{\mathbf{EX} f_1\};
Complexity: O(|S| + |R|)
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## Explicit CTL M/C: EU

Find all states that are labelled with  $f_2$ . Work backwards using R to find all states that can be reached by some path in which each state is labelled with  $f_1$ . Label all these states with  $\mathbf{E}[f_1 \ \mathbf{U} \ f_2]$ .

# Explicit CTL M/C: EU

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CheckEU(f_1, f_2)
K := \{s \mid f_2 \in label(s)\};
for all s \in K do label(s) := label(s) \cup \{\mathbf{E}[f_1 \ \mathbf{U} \ f_2]\};
while K \neq \emptyset do
choose \ s \in K;
K := K \setminus \{s\};
for all (t, s) \in R do
if \ \mathbf{E}[f_1 \ \mathbf{U} \ f_2] \not\in label(t) \text{ and } f_1 \in label(t) \text{ then }
label(t) := label(t) \cup \{\mathbf{E}[f_1 \ \mathbf{U} \ f_2]\};
K := K \cup \{t\};
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Complexity: O(|S| + |R|)

# Explicit CTL M/C: EG (First Try)

**EG**  $f_1$ : Label all states labelled with  $f_1$  with **EG**  $f_1$  Repeat: delete the label **EG**  $f_1$  from any state if none of its successors is labelled with **EG**  $f_1$ ; until there is no change.

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CheckEG(f_1)
K = \{s \mid f_1 \in label(s)\};
for all s \in K do label(s) := label(s) \cup \{\mathbf{EG}f_1\};
do
K := \{s \mid \mathbf{EG}f_1 \in label(s)\};
for all t \in K do
label(t) := label(t) - \{\mathbf{EG}f_1\};
for all (t, s) \in R do
if \ s \in K \ then \ label(t) := label(t) \cup \{\mathbf{EG}f_1\};
until K = \{s \mid \mathbf{EG}f_1 \in label(s)\};
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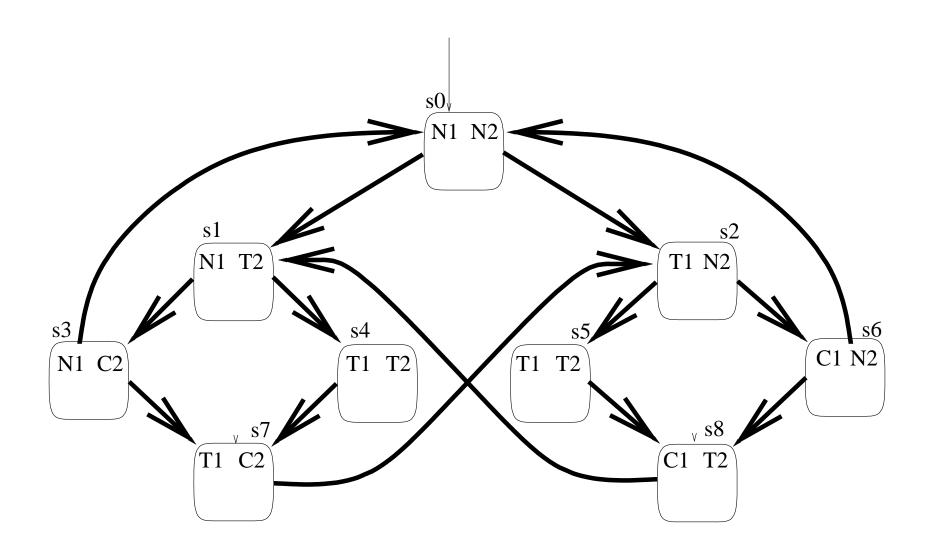
#### Example: Mutual Exclusion

#### Two processes:

- ► Each can be in one of three states, which they cycle through in the following order:
  - 1. non-critical (N)
  - 2. trying to enter the critical state (T)
  - 3. critical (C)
- interleave their steps with each other.

Both start in their non-critical sections of code.

## Example: Mutual Exclusion



 $s_4$  and  $s_5$  are distinguished by which process was trying to get into its critical section first.

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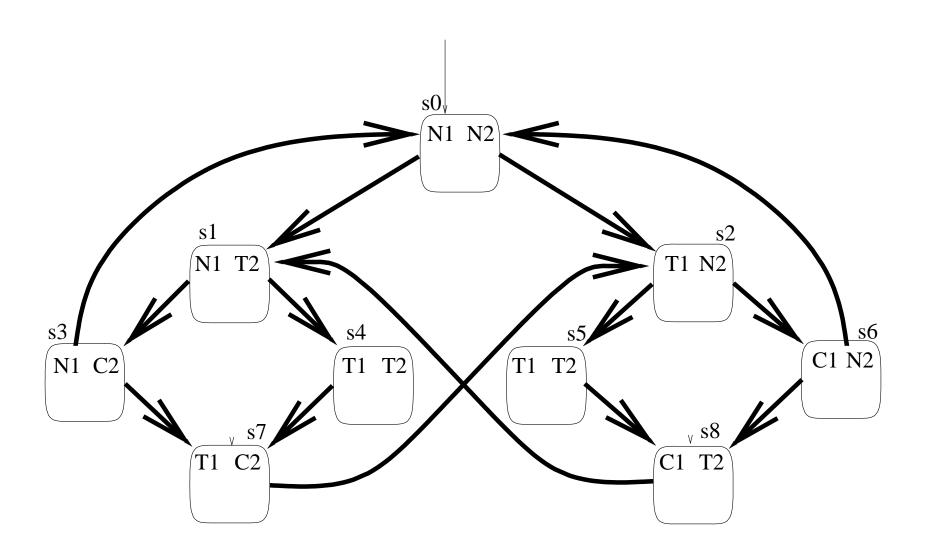
#### Properties of Mutual Exclusion

1. (safety) Only one process can be in its critical section at any time.

2. (liveness) Whenever a process wants to enter its critical section, it will eventually be permitted to do so.

# **Checking Safety**

$$\neg$$
**E**[true **U**  $\neg$ ( $\neg$ *C*1  $\lor \neg$ *C*2)]



#### Checking Liveness

Property: Whenever a process wants to enter its critical section, it will eventually be permitted to do so.

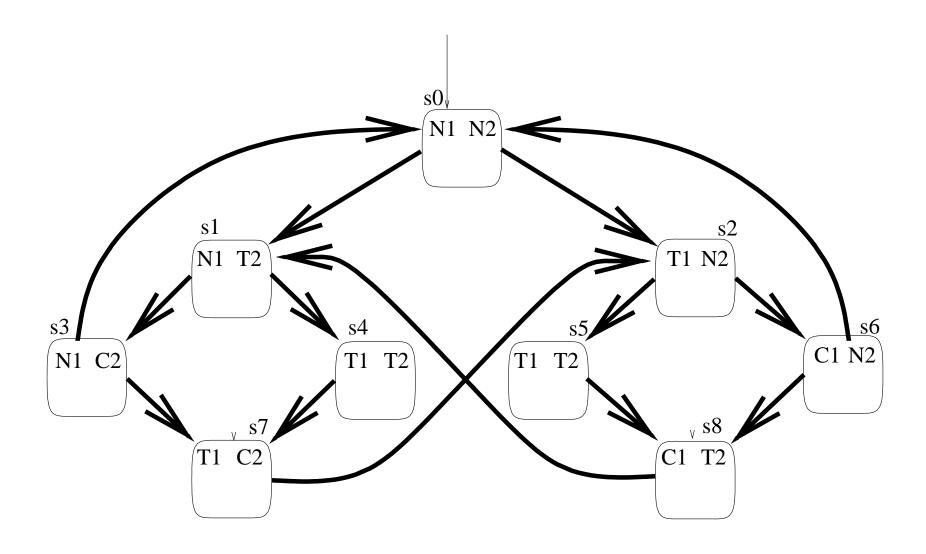
$$AG(T1 \Rightarrow AF C1)$$

alternatively:

$$\neg (\mathsf{E}[\mathsf{true}\;\mathsf{U}\;\neg(\neg T1 \lor \neg(\mathsf{EG}\;\neg C1))])$$

#### Checking Liveness

$$\neg (\mathsf{E}[\mathsf{true}\;\mathsf{U}\;\neg(\neg T1 \lor \neg(\mathsf{EG}\;\neg C1))])$$



#### Algorithm Complexity

- ► Worst case complexity of checking each subformula: O(|S| + |R|)
- $\triangleright$  For a formula of length n, there are n sub-formulae to check.
- ▶ Worst case complexity to check a formula of length n is  $O(n \times (|S| + |R|))$

Thus, complexity is linear in the size of the formula and in the size of the state space. But the size of the state space is exponential in the number of parallel system components and in the number of variables!

State Space Explosion Problem