

Model Checking - Exercise Sheet 2

1.
 - Give the parse tree of the formula $AFp \rightarrow AFq$ according to the syntax rules of construction of CTL formula. Recall that \rightarrow has lower precedence than unary operators.
 - Give the parse tree of the formula $AFp \rightarrow AFq$ according to the syntax rules of construction of CTL* formula. Recall that \rightarrow has lower precedence than unary operators.
 - Let K be a Kripke structure and s be a state of K . Check whether it is true that K, s satisfies the CTL formula $AFp \rightarrow AFq$ if and only if K, s satisfies the CTL* formula $AFp \rightarrow AFq$. Justify your answer using semantics of CTL and CTL* semantics of K, s satisfying a CTL (resp. CTL*) formula.
2. Consider the LTL formula $\phi = Fp \rightarrow Fq$ and the CTL formula $\psi = AFp \rightarrow AFq$. Describe a Kripke structure K with exactly two states s_0 and s_1 such that $K, s_0 \not\models \phi$, but $K, s_0 \models \psi$. Justify your answer using the semantics of LTL and CTL semantics of K, s satisfying a LTL (resp. CTL) formula.
3. Prove that the CTL formula $\psi = AFp \rightarrow AFq$ has no equivalent formula possible in LTL. (Hint: consider a model for ψ from which some transitions are removed so that it does not satisfy ψ .)
4. Convert the CTL formula $\phi = AFAGp$ into an equivalent CTL formula ψ in which only operators used are \neg , \wedge , EU , EG (along with \top). Show the steps in your conversion with appropriate justifications.
5. Draw the parse tree of the CTL formula ψ which you obtained as answer to the previous question. Consider the Kripke structure K given in Figure 1. Apply the bottom-up labelling procedure for states of K based on this parse tree that we used for the CTL model checking algorithm. While processing each node of the parse tree, write how the labellings of each state of K is getting updated.

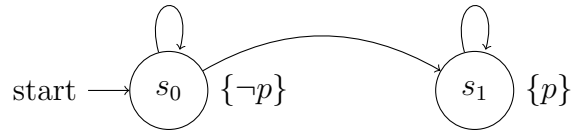


Figure 1: Model K

6. Consider the LTL formula $\phi = FGp$ and the CTL formula $\psi = AFAGp$. Give a Kripke structure that demonstrates that these are not equivalent. Also show that for any Kripke structure K and state s of K , if $K, s \models \psi$ then $K, s \models \phi$.
7. Consider the CTL formulae $\phi = AXAFp$ and $\psi = AFAXp$. Give a Kripke structure that demonstrates that these are not equivalent.

8. In the CTL model checking algorithm discussed, we had a fix point algorithm for identifying the set of states that satisfy $E[\phi U \psi]$ provided we have already identified the set of states that satisfy ϕ and ψ . In a similar way, obtain a fix-point algorithm for identifying the set of states that satisfy $A[\phi U \psi]$ (Use the recurrence for AU in terms of AU and AX and do not convert AU to other temporal operators.) Analyze the running time of your procedure.
9. Construct a Non-deterministic Büchi automaton over the alphabet $\{a, b, c\}$ whose language has only two strings $ababab\dots$ and $bcbcbc\dots$. Justify your answer. Using this (and the concatenation rule with regular languages), construct a Non-deterministic Büchi automaton over the alphabet $\{a, b, c\}$ whose language has precisely all infinite strings which either has $ababab\dots$ as a suffix or has $bcbcbc\dots$ as a suffix. Justify your answer.
10. Using the definitions of safety property and liveness property, show that the only language over an alphabet Σ which is both a safety property and a liveness property is the trivial language Σ^ω .
11. Consider the language L defined by the LTL formula $\phi = G(p \rightarrow XXq)$.
 - Give some minimal bad prefixes for L . Give some bad prefixes for L which are not minimal. Justify your answers using the definitions of bad prefixes and minimal bad prefixes.
 - Show that L is a regular safety property, by describing the set of bad prefixes of L as a regular expression. Justify the correctness of your solution.
 - Construct an NFA whose language is the set of bad prefixes of L . Let this automata be M .
 - Suppose K is a Kripke structure for which you want to answer whether $K \models \phi$. We had reduced this problem to invariant checking on a specific product automata of K and the NFA M . Based on M , give the invariant formula that you would check on the product automaton to answer whether $K \models \phi$. (You need not construct the product automaton explicitly, because you do not know what K is explicitly).
12. Suppose L is a language over alphabet Σ which is a regular safety property. Suppose you have an NFA that accepts precisely the strings that are bad prefixes for L . Analyze how we may obtain an NFA that accepts precisely that strings that are minimal bad prefixes for L .