

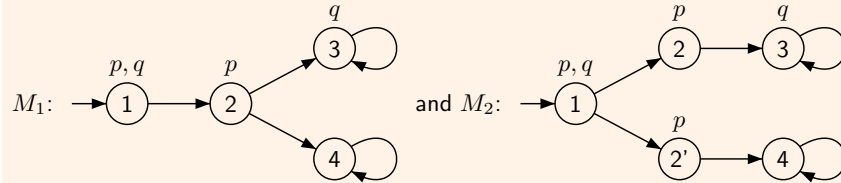
Possibility is not expressible in LTL

Example:

φ : Whenever p holds, it is possible to reach a state where q holds.

φ cannot be expressed in LTL.

Consider the two models:



$M_1 \models \varphi$ but $M_2 \not\models \varphi$

M_1 and M_2 satisfy the same LTL formulae.

We need quantifications on runs: $\varphi = AG(p \rightarrow EFq)$

- ▶ E: for some infinite run
- ▶ A: for all infinite runs

CTL* (Emerson & Halpern 86)

Definition: Syntax of the Computation Tree Logic CTL*

$\varphi ::= \perp \mid p \ (p \in AP) \mid \neg\varphi \mid \varphi \vee \varphi \mid X\varphi \mid \varphi \cup \varphi \mid E\varphi \mid A\varphi$

Definition: Semantics:

Let $M = (S, T, I, AP, \ell)$ be a Kripke structure and σ an infinite run of M .

$M, \sigma, i \models E\varphi$ if $M, \sigma', 0 \models \varphi$ for some infinite run σ' such that $\sigma'(0) = \sigma(i)$

$M, \sigma, i \models A\varphi$ if $M, \sigma', 0 \models \varphi$ for all infinite runs σ' such that $\sigma'(0) = \sigma(i)$

Example: Some specifications

- ▶ EF φ : φ is possible
- ▶ AG φ : φ is an invariant
- ▶ AF φ : φ is unavoidable
- ▶ EG φ : φ holds globally along some path

Remark:

$A\varphi \equiv \neg E\neg\varphi$

State formulae and path formulae

Definition: State formulae

$\varphi \in \text{CTL}^*$ is a **state formula** if $\forall M, \sigma, \sigma', i, j$ such that $\sigma(i) = \sigma'(j)$ we have

$$M, \sigma, i \models \varphi \iff M, \sigma', j \models \varphi$$

If φ is a state formula and $M = (S, T, I, AP, \ell)$, define

$$\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket^M = \{s \in S \mid M, s \models \varphi\}$$

Example: State formulae

Formulae of the form p or $E\varphi$ or $A\varphi$ are state formulae.

State formulae are closed under boolean connectives.

$$\llbracket p \rrbracket = \{s \in S \mid p \in \ell(s)\} \quad \llbracket \neg\varphi \rrbracket = S \setminus \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket \quad \llbracket \varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2 \rrbracket = \llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket \cup \llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket$$

Definition: Alternative syntax

State formulae $\varphi ::= \perp \mid p \ (p \in AP) \mid \neg\varphi \mid \varphi \vee \varphi \mid E\psi \mid A\psi$

Path formulae $\psi ::= \varphi \mid \neg\psi \mid \psi \vee \psi \mid X\psi \mid \psi \cup \psi$

Model checking of CTL*

Definition: Existential and universal model checking

Let $M = (S, T, I, AP, \ell)$ be a Kripke structure and $\varphi \in \text{CTL}^*$ a formula.

$M \models_{\exists} \varphi$ if $M, \sigma, 0 \models \varphi$ for some initial infinite run σ of M .

$M \models_{\forall} \varphi$ if $M, \sigma, 0 \models \varphi$ for all initial infinite run σ of M .

Remark:

$M \models_{\exists} \varphi$ iff $I \cap \llbracket E\varphi \rrbracket \neq \emptyset$

$M \models_{\forall} \varphi$ iff $I \subseteq \llbracket A\varphi \rrbracket$

$M \models_{\forall} \varphi$ iff $M \not\models_{\exists} \neg\varphi$

Definition: Model checking problems $\text{MC}_{\text{CTL}^*}^{\forall}$ and $\text{MC}_{\text{CTL}^*}^{\exists}$

Input: A Kripke structure $M = (S, T, I, AP, \ell)$ and a formula $\varphi \in \text{CTL}^*$

Question: Does $M \models_{\forall} \varphi$? or Does $M \models_{\exists} \varphi$?

Complexity of CTL*

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Theorem

The model checking problem for CTL* is PSPACE-complete

Proof:

PSPACE-hardness: follows from $LTL \subseteq CTL^*$.

PSPACE-easiness: reduction to LTL-model checking by inductive eliminations of path quantifications.

$MC_{CTL^*}^{\forall}$ in PSPACE

Proof:

For $Q \in \{\exists, \forall\}$ and $\psi \in LTL$, let $MC_{LTL}^Q(M, t, \psi)$ be the function which computes in polynomial space whether $M, t \models_Q \psi$, i.e., if $M, t \models Q\psi$.

Let $M = (S, T, I, AP, \ell)$ be a Kripke structure, $s \in S$ and $\varphi \in CTL^*$.

$MC_{CTL^*}^{\forall}(M, s, \varphi)$

If E, A do not occur in φ then return $MC_{LTL}^{\forall}(M, s, \varphi)$ fi

Let $Q\psi$ be a subformula of φ with $\psi \in LTL$ and $Q \in \{E, A\}$

Let $p_{Q\psi}$ be a new propositional variable

Define $\ell' : S \rightarrow 2^{AP'}$ with $AP' = AP \uplus \{p_{Q\psi}\}$ by

$$\ell'(t) \cap AP = \ell(t) \text{ and } p_{Q\psi} \in \ell'(t) \text{ iff } MC_{LTL}^Q(M, t, \psi)$$

Let $M' = (S, T, I, AP', \ell')$

Let $\varphi' = \varphi[p_{Q\psi}/Q\psi]$ be obtained from φ by replacing each $Q\psi$ by $p_{Q\psi}$

Return $MC_{CTL^*}^{\forall}(M', s, \varphi')$

Satisfiability for CTL*

Definition: SAT(CTL*)

Input: A formula $\varphi \in CTL^*$

Question: Existence of a model M and a run σ such that $M, \sigma, 0 \models \varphi$?

Theorem

The satisfiability problem for CTL* is 2-EXPTIME-complete

CTL (Clarke & Emerson 81)

Definition: Computation Tree Logic (CTL)

Syntax:

$$\varphi ::= \perp \mid p \ (p \in AP) \mid \neg\varphi \mid \varphi \vee \varphi \mid EX\varphi \mid AX\varphi \mid E\varphi U \varphi \mid A\varphi U \varphi$$

The semantics is inherited from CTL*.

Remark: All CTL formulae are **state formulae**

$$\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket^M = \{s \in S \mid M, s \models \varphi\}$$

Examples: Macros

- ▶ $EF\varphi = E T U \varphi$ and $AF\varphi = A T U \varphi$
- ▶ $EG\varphi = \neg AF \neg\varphi$ and $AG\varphi = \neg EF \neg\varphi$
- ▶ $AG(\text{req} \rightarrow EF \text{grant})$
- ▶ $AG(\text{req} \rightarrow AF \text{grant})$

CTL (Clarke & Emerson 81)

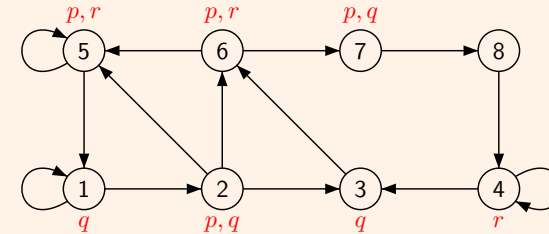
Definition: Semantics

All CTL-formulae are **state** formulae. Hence, we have a simpler semantics.
 Let $M = (S, T, I, AP, \ell)$ be a Kripke structure **without deadlocks** and let $s \in S$.

- $s \models p$ if $p \in \ell(s)$
- $s \models \text{EX } \varphi$ if $\exists s \rightarrow s'$ with $s' \models \varphi$
- $s \models \text{AX } \varphi$ if $\forall s \rightarrow s'$ we have $s' \models \varphi$
- $s \models \text{E } \varphi \text{ U } \psi$ if $\exists s = s_0 \rightarrow s_1 \rightarrow s_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow s_j$ **finite path**, with $s_j \models \psi$ and $s_k \models \varphi$ for all $0 \leq k < j$
- $s \models \text{A } \varphi \text{ U } \psi$ if $\forall s = s_0 \rightarrow s_1 \rightarrow s_2 \rightarrow \dots$ **infinite path**, $\exists j \geq 0$ with $s_j \models \psi$ and $s_k \models \varphi$ for all $0 \leq k < j$

CTL (Clarke & Emerson 81)

Example:



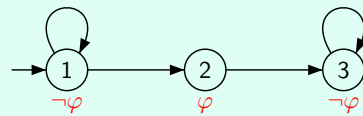
- $\llbracket \text{EX } p \rrbracket = \{1, 2, 3, 5, 6\}$
- $\llbracket \text{AX } p \rrbracket = \{3, 6\}$
- $\llbracket \text{EF } p \rrbracket = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$
- $\llbracket \text{AF } p \rrbracket = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 7\}$
- $\llbracket \text{E } q \text{ U } r \rrbracket = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$
- $\llbracket \text{A } q \text{ U } r \rrbracket = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

CTL (Clarke & Emerson 81)

Remark: Equivalent formulae

- $\text{AX } \varphi = \neg \text{EX } \neg \varphi$,
- $\neg(\varphi \text{ U } \psi) = \text{G } \neg \psi \vee (\neg \psi \text{ U } (\neg \varphi \wedge \neg \psi))$
- $\text{A } \varphi \text{ U } \psi = \neg \text{EG } \neg \psi \wedge \neg \text{E } \neg \psi \text{ U } (\neg \varphi \wedge \neg \psi)$
- $\text{AG}(\text{req} \rightarrow \text{F grant}) = \text{AG}(\text{req} \rightarrow \text{AF grant})$
- $\text{AGF } \varphi = \text{AG AF } \varphi$
- $\text{EFG } \varphi = \text{EFEG } \varphi$
- $\text{EGEF } \varphi \neq \text{EGF } \varphi$
- $\text{AFAG } \varphi \neq \text{AFG } \varphi$
- $\text{EGEX } \varphi \neq \text{EGX } \varphi$

infinitely often
ultimately



Model checking of CTL

Definition: Existential and universal model checking

Let $M = (S, T, I, AP, \ell)$ be a Kripke structure and $\varphi \in \text{CTL}$ a formula.

- $M \models_{\exists} \varphi$ if $M, s \models \varphi$ for **some** $s \in I$.
- $M \models_{\forall} \varphi$ if $M, s \models \varphi$ for **all** $s \in I$.

Remark:

- $M \models_{\exists} \varphi$ iff $I \cap \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket \neq \emptyset$
- $M \models_{\forall} \varphi$ iff $I \subseteq \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket$
- $M \models_{\forall} \varphi$ iff $M \not\models_{\exists} \neg \varphi$

Definition: Model checking problems $\text{MC}_{\text{CTL}}^{\forall}$ and $\text{MC}_{\text{CTL}}^{\exists}$

Input: A Kripke structure $M = (S, T, I, AP, \ell)$ and a formula $\varphi \in \text{CTL}$

Question: Does $M \models_{\forall} \varphi$? or Does $M \models_{\exists} \varphi$?

Model checking of CTL

Theorem

Let $M = (S, T, I, AP, \ell)$ be a Kripke structure and $\varphi \in \text{CTL}$ a formula.
The model checking problem $M \models \varphi$ is decidable in time $\mathcal{O}(|M| \cdot |\varphi|)$

Proof:

Compute $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket = \{s \in S \mid M, s \models \varphi\}$ by induction on the formula.

The set $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket$ is represented by a boolean array: $L[s][\varphi] = \top$ if $s \in \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket$.

The labelling ℓ is encoded in L : for $p \in AP$ we have $L[s][p] = \top$ if $p \in \ell(s)$.

Model checking of CTL

Definition: procedure semantics(φ)

case $\varphi = \neg\varphi_1$
 semantics(φ_1)
 $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket := S \setminus \llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket$ $\mathcal{O}(|S|)$

case $\varphi = \varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2$
 semantics(φ_1); semantics(φ_2)
 $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket := \llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket \cup \llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket$ $\mathcal{O}(|S|)$

case $\varphi = EX\varphi_1$
 semantics(φ_1)
 $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket := \emptyset$ $\mathcal{O}(|S|)$
 for all $(s, t) \in T$ do if $t \in \llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket$ then $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket := \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket \cup \{s\}$ $\mathcal{O}(|T|)$

case $\varphi = AX\varphi_1$
 semantics(φ_1)
 $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket := S$ $\mathcal{O}(|S|)$
 for all $(s, t) \in T$ do if $t \notin \llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket$ then $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket := \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket \setminus \{s\}$ $\mathcal{O}(|T|)$

Model checking of CTL

Definition: procedure semantics(φ)

case $\varphi = E\varphi_1 U \varphi_2$ $\mathcal{O}(|S| + |T|)$
 semantics(φ_1); semantics(φ_2)
 $L := \llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket$ // the set L is the "todo" list $\mathcal{O}(|S|)$
 $Z := \emptyset$ // the set Z is the "done" list $\mathcal{O}(|S|)$
 while $L \neq \emptyset$ do $|S|$ times
 Invariant: $\llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket \cup (\llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket \cap T^{-1}(Z)) \subseteq Z \cup L \subseteq \llbracket E\varphi_1 U \varphi_2 \rrbracket$
 take $t \in L$; $L := L \setminus \{t\}$; $Z := Z \cup \{t\}$ $\mathcal{O}(1)$
 for all $s \in T^{-1}(t)$ do $|T|$ times
 if $s \in \llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket \setminus (Z \cup L)$ then $L := L \cup \{s\}$
 $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket := Z$

Z is only used to make the invariant clear.
 $Z \cup L$ can be replaced by $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket$.

Model checking of CTL

Definition: procedure semantics(φ)

Replacing $Z \cup L$ by $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket$

case $\varphi = E\varphi_1 U \varphi_2$ $\mathcal{O}(|S| + |T|)$
 semantics(φ_1); semantics(φ_2)
 $L := \llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket$ // the set L is implemented with a list $\mathcal{O}(|S|)$
 $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket := \llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket$ $\mathcal{O}(|S|)$
 while $L \neq \emptyset$ do $|S|$ times
 take $t \in L$; $L := L \setminus \{t\}$ $\mathcal{O}(1)$
 for all $s \in T^{-1}(t)$ do $|T|$ times
 if $s \in \llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket \setminus \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket$ then $L := L \cup \{s\}$; $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket := \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket \cup \{s\}$ $\mathcal{O}(1)$

Model checking of CTL

Definition: procedure semantics(φ)

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case  $\varphi = A\varphi_1 \cup \varphi_2$   $\mathcal{O}(|S| + |T|)$ 
  semantics( $\varphi_1$ ); semantics( $\varphi_2$ )
   $L := \llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket$  // the set  $L$  is the "todo" list  $\mathcal{O}(|S|)$ 
   $Z := \emptyset$  // the set  $Z$  is the "done" list  $\mathcal{O}(|S|)$ 
  for all  $s \in S$  do  $c[s] := |T(s)|$   $\mathcal{O}(|S|)$ 
  while  $L \neq \emptyset$  do  $|S|$  times
    Invariant:  $\forall s \in S, c[s] = |T(s) \setminus Z|$  and
       $\llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket \cup (\llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket \cap \{s \in S \mid T(s) \subseteq Z\}) \subseteq Z \cup L \subseteq \llbracket A\varphi_1 \cup \varphi_2 \rrbracket$ 
      take  $t \in L; L := L \setminus \{t\}; Z := Z \cup \{t\}$   $\mathcal{O}(1)$ 
      for all  $s \in T^{-1}(t)$  do  $|T|$  times
         $c[s] := c[s] - 1$   $\mathcal{O}(1)$ 
        if  $c[s] = 0 \wedge s \in \llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket \setminus (Z \cup L)$  then  $L := L \cup \{s\}$ 
       $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket := Z$ 

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Z is only used to make the invariant clear.
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Model checking of CTL

Definition: procedure semantics(φ)

Replacing $Z \cup L$ by $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket$

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case  $\varphi = A\varphi_1 \cup \varphi_2$   $\mathcal{O}(|S| + |T|)$ 
  semantics( $\varphi_1$ ); semantics( $\varphi_2$ )
   $L := \llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket$  // the set  $L$  is implemented with a list  $\mathcal{O}(|S|)$ 
   $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket := \llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket$   $\mathcal{O}(|S|)$ 
  for all  $s \in S$  do  $c[s] := |T(s)|$   $\mathcal{O}(|S|)$ 
  while  $L \neq \emptyset$  do  $|S|$  times
    take  $t \in L; L := L \setminus \{t\}$   $\mathcal{O}(1)$ 
    for all  $s \in T^{-1}(t)$  do  $|T|$  times
       $c[s] := c[s] - 1$   $\mathcal{O}(1)$ 
      if  $c[s] = 0 \wedge s \in \llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket \setminus \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket$  then  $\mathcal{O}(1)$ 
         $L := L \cup \{s\}; \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket := \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket \cup \{s\}$   $\mathcal{O}(1)$ 

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Complexity of CTL

Definition: SAT(CTL)

Input: A formula $\varphi \in \text{CTL}$

Question: Existence of a model M and a state s such that $M, s \models \varphi$?

Theorem: Complexity

- ▶ The model checking problem for CTL is PTIME-complete.
- ▶ The satisfiability problem for CTL is EXPTIME-complete.

fairness

Example: Fairness

Only fair runs are of interest

- ▶ Each process is enabled infinitely often: $\bigwedge_i \text{GF run}_i$
- ▶ No process stays ultimately in the critical section: $\bigwedge_i \neg \text{FG CS}_i = \bigwedge_i \text{GF } \neg \text{CS}_i$

Definition: Fair Kripke structure

$M = (S, T, I, \text{AP}, \ell, F_1, \dots, F_n)$ with $F_i \subseteq S$.

An infinite run σ is **fair** if it visits infinitely often each F_i

fair CTL

Definition: Syntax of fair-CTL

$$\varphi ::= \perp \mid p \ (p \in AP) \mid \neg\varphi \mid \varphi \vee \varphi \mid E_f X \varphi \mid A_f X \varphi \mid E_f \varphi U \varphi \mid A_f \varphi U \varphi$$

Definition: Semantics as a fragment of CTL*

Let $M = (S, T, I, AP, \ell, F_1, \dots, F_n)$ be a fair Kripke structure.

Then, $E_f \varphi = E(\text{fair} \wedge \varphi)$ and $A_f \varphi = A(\text{fair} \rightarrow \varphi)$

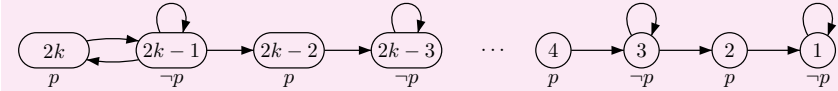
where $\text{fair} = \bigwedge_i G F F_i$

Lemma: CTL_f cannot be expressed in CTL

fair CTL

Proof: CTL_f cannot be expressed in CTL

Consider the Kripke structure M_k defined by:



• $M_k, 2k \models EGF p$ but $M_k, 2k-2 \not\models EGF p$

• If $\varphi \in CTL$ and $|\varphi| \leq m \leq k$ then

$M_k, 2k \models \varphi$ iff $M_k, 2m \models \varphi$

$M_k, 2k-1 \models \varphi$ iff $M_k, 2m-1 \models \varphi$

If the fairness condition is $\ell^{-1}(p)$ then $E_f \top$ cannot be expressed in CTL.

Model checking of CTL_f

Theorem

The model checking problem for CTL_f is decidable in time $\mathcal{O}(|M| \cdot |\varphi|)$

Proof: Computation of $\text{Fair} = \{s \in S \mid M, s \models E_f \top\}$

Compute the SCC of M with **Tarjan's algorithm** (in time $\mathcal{O}(|M|)$).

Let S' be the union of the (non trivial) SCCs which intersect each F_i .

Then, Fair is the set of states that can reach S' .

Note that **reachability** can be computed in linear time.

Model checking of CTL_f

Proof: Reductions

$E_f X \varphi = EX(\text{Fair} \wedge \varphi)$ and $E_f \varphi U \psi = E \varphi U (\text{Fair} \wedge \psi)$

It remains to deal with $A_f \varphi U \psi$.

Recall that $A \varphi U \psi = \neg EG \neg\psi \wedge \neg E \neg\psi U (\neg\varphi \wedge \neg\psi)$

This formula also holds for fair quantifications A_f and E_f .

Hence, we only need to compute the semantics of $E_f G \varphi$.

Proof: Computation of $E_f G \varphi$

Let M_φ be the restriction of M to $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_f$.

Compute the SCC of M_φ with **Tarjan's algorithm** (in linear time).

Let S' be the union of the (non trivial) SCCs of M_φ which intersect each F_i .

Then, $M, s \models E_f G \varphi$ iff $M, s \models E \varphi U S'$ iff $M_\varphi, s \models EF S'$.

This is again a **reachability** problem which can be solved in linear time.