TD 2: Temporal Logics

Exercise 1 (Specification). We would like to verify the properties of a boolean circuit with input x, output y, and a register r. We define accordingly $AP = \{x = 0, x = 1, y = 0, y = 1, r = 0, r = 1\}$ as our set of atomic propositions and consider the linear time flow $(\mathbb{N}, <)$ where the runs of the circuit can be seen as temporal structures.

Translate the following properties (a) in TL(AP, SU) and (b) in FO(AP, <):

- 1. "it is impossible to get two consecutive 1 as output"
- 2. "each time the input is 1, at most two ticks later the output will be 1"
- 3. "each time the input is 1, the register contents remain the same over the next tick"
- 4. "The register is infinitely often 1"

Note that there might be several, non-equivalent formal specifications matching these informal descriptions—that's the whole point of writing specifications!—but your (a) and (b) should be equivalent.

Exercise 2 (Equivalences). We fix a set AP of atomic propositions including $\{p, q, r\}$ and some discrete linear time flow $(\mathbb{T}, <)$.

- 1. Consider the formulæ $\varphi_1 = \mathsf{G}(p \to \mathsf{X}\,q)$ and $\varphi_2 = \mathsf{G}(p \to ((\neg q)\,\mathsf{R}\,q))$
 - (a) Does φ_2 imply φ_1 ?
 - (b) Does φ_1 imply φ_2 ?
- 2. Simplify the following formula:

$$\mathsf{SF}(((\mathsf{G}\,r)\,\mathsf{U}\,p)\wedge (\neg q\,\mathsf{U}\,p))\vee \mathsf{SF}(\neg p\vee \mathsf{F}\,q)$$
.

3. Give a TL(AP, U) formula φ equivalent to $(p \cup q) \cup r$ and such that for any subformula $\psi \cup \psi'$ of φ , ψ is a boolean formula.

Exercise 3 (Expressiveness). We fix the set $AP = \{p\}$ of atomic propositions, with an associated alphabet $\Sigma = \{\{p\}, \emptyset\}$, and consider the $(\mathbb{N}, <)$ flow of time, where temporal structures can be seen as infinite words over Σ , i.e. words in Σ^{ω} .

- 1. Show that the following subsets of Σ^{ω} are expressible in LTL(AP, U, X):
 - (a) $\{p\}^* \cdot \emptyset^{\omega}$, and
 - (b) $\{p\}^n \cdot \emptyset^{\omega}$ for each fixed $n \geq 0$.

- 2. Is the language $(\{p\} \cdot \emptyset)^{\omega}$ expressible in LTL(AP, U, X)?
- 3. Consider the infinite sequence $\sigma_i = \{p\}^i \cdot \emptyset \cdot \{p\}^\omega$ for $i \geq 0$. Show by induction on LTL(AP, U, X) formulæ φ that, for all $n \geq 0$, if φ has less than $n \times 0$ modalities, then for all i, i' > n, $\sigma_i \models \varphi$ iff $\sigma_{i'} \models \varphi$. (Hint: For the case of \cup , show that $\sigma_i \models \varphi$ iff $\sigma_{n+1} \models \varphi$.)
- 4. Using the previous question, show that the set $(\{p\} \cdot \Sigma)^{\omega}$ is not expressible in LTL(AP, U, X) over $(\mathbb{N}, <)$.

Exercise 4 (2017 Mid-term Exam). The flow of time is $(\mathbb{N}, <)$, AP is the set of atomic propositions, and $\Sigma = 2^{AP}$.

1. Given $p \in AP$ and $\varphi \in TL(AP, SU, SS)$, construct a formula $\widetilde{\varphi} \in TL(AP, SU, SS)$ such that

$$\forall u \in \Sigma_{\neg p}^* \Sigma_p, \forall v \in \Sigma^\omega, \forall i \ge 0: \quad v, i \models \varphi \quad \text{iff} \quad uv, |u| + i \models \widetilde{\varphi}.$$

2. Given $p \in AP$ and $\varphi \in TL(AP, SU, SS)$, construct a formula $\overline{\varphi} \in TL(AP, SU, SS)$ such that

$$\forall u \in \Sigma_{\neg p}^* \Sigma_p, \, \forall v \in \Sigma^\omega, \, \forall i \ge 0: \qquad v, 0 \models \varphi \quad \text{iff} \quad uv, 0 \models \overline{\varphi}.$$