

Automata and Formal Languages — Homework 14

Due **Friday** 29th December 2016 (TA: Christopher Broadbent)

Exercise 14.1

(Schwoon). Which of the following formulas of LTL are tautologies? (A formula is a tautology if all computations satisfy it.) If the formula is not a tautology, give a computation that does not satisfy it.

- $\mathbf{G}p \rightarrow \mathbf{F}p$
- $\mathbf{G}(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (\mathbf{G}p \rightarrow \mathbf{G}q)$
- $\mathbf{F}(p \wedge q) \leftrightarrow (\mathbf{F}p \wedge \mathbf{F}q)$
- $\neg \mathbf{F}p \rightarrow \mathbf{F}\neg \mathbf{F}p$
- $(\mathbf{G}p \rightarrow \mathbf{F}q) \leftrightarrow (p \mathbf{U} (\neg p \vee q))$
- $(\mathbf{F}\mathbf{G}p \rightarrow \mathbf{G}\mathbf{F}q) \leftrightarrow \mathbf{G}(p \mathbf{U} (\neg p \vee q))$
- $\mathbf{G}(p \rightarrow \mathbf{X}p) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow \mathbf{G}p)$.

Exercise 14.2

Let $AP = \{p, q\}$ and let $\Sigma = 2^{AP}$. Give LTL formulas defining the following languages:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \{p, q\} \emptyset \Sigma^\omega & \Sigma^* \{q\}^\omega \\ \Sigma^* (\{p\} + \{p, q\}) \Sigma^* \{q\} \Sigma^\omega & \{p\}^* \{q\}^* \emptyset^\omega \end{array}$$

Exercise 14.3

Let $AP = \{p, q\}$. Give NBAs accepting the languages defined by the LTL formulas $\mathbf{X}\mathbf{G}\neg p$, $(\mathbf{G}\mathbf{F}p) \Rightarrow (\mathbf{F}q)$, and $p \wedge \neg \mathbf{X}\mathbf{F}p$.

Exercise 14.4

Prove $\mathbf{F}\mathbf{G}p \equiv \mathbf{V}\mathbf{F}\mathbf{G}p$ and $\mathbf{G}\mathbf{F}p \equiv \mathbf{V}\mathbf{G}\mathbf{F}p$ for every sequence $\mathbf{V} \in \{\mathbf{F}, \mathbf{G}\}^*$ of the temporal operators \mathbf{F} and \mathbf{G} .

Solution 14.1

The formulas in red are tautologies.

- $\mathbf{G}p \rightarrow \mathbf{F}p$.

Follows immediately from the definitions of \mathbf{F} and \mathbf{G} .

- $\mathbf{G}(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (\mathbf{G}p \rightarrow \mathbf{G}q)$.

The left-hand-side states that any point of the computation satisfying p also satisfies q . Therefore, if every point satisfies p , then every point satisfies q .

- $\mathbf{F}(p \wedge q) \leftrightarrow (\mathbf{F}p \wedge \mathbf{F}q)$.

The computation $\{p\} \{q\} \emptyset^\omega$ satisfies $\mathbf{F}p \wedge \mathbf{F}q$ but not $\mathbf{F}(p \wedge q)$.

- $\neg \mathbf{F}p \rightarrow \mathbf{F}\neg \mathbf{F}p$.

The formula $\phi \rightarrow \mathbf{F}\phi$ is clearly a tautology for every formula ϕ . Take $\phi = \neg \mathbf{F}p$.

- $(\mathbf{G}p \rightarrow \mathbf{F}q) \leftrightarrow (p \mathbf{U} (\neg p \vee q))$.

The left-hand-side is equivalent to $\mathbf{F}\neg p \vee \mathbf{F}q \equiv \mathbf{F}(\neg p \vee q)$. If the right-hand-side holds, then some point of the computation satisfies $\neg p \vee q$, and so the left-hand-side holds. If the left-hand-side holds, then there exists a first point at which $\neg p \vee q$ holds, and, since it is the first, all points before it satisfy $p \wedge \neg q$, and so in particular they all satisfy p . So the right-hand-side holds as well.

- $(\mathbf{F}\mathbf{G}p \rightarrow \mathbf{G}\mathbf{F}q) \leftrightarrow \mathbf{G}(p \mathbf{U} (\neg p \vee q))$.

The left-hand-side is equivalent to $\mathbf{G}\mathbf{F}\neg p \vee \mathbf{G}\mathbf{F}p$, which is equivalent to $\mathbf{G}\mathbf{F}(\neg p \vee q)$ (recall that $\mathbf{G}\mathbf{F}$ means “infinitely often”). If the right-hand-side holds, then every point satisfies $\mathbf{F}\neg p \vee \mathbf{G}\mathbf{F}p$, and so for every point some future point satisfies $\neg p \vee q$, which implies that the left-hand-side holds. If the left-hand-side holds, then infinitely many points satisfy $\neg p \vee q$, and all others satisfy p . Therefore, every point satisfies $\mathbf{G}(p \mathbf{U} (\neg p \vee q))$.

- $\mathbf{G}(p \rightarrow \mathbf{X}p) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow \mathbf{G}p)$.

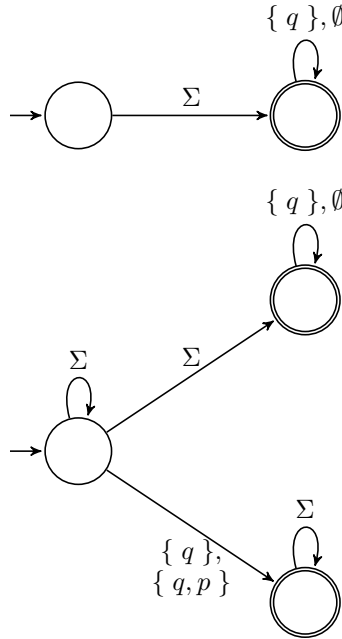
We have $\mathbf{G}(p \rightarrow \mathbf{X}p) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow \mathbf{G}p) \equiv \mathbf{F}(p \wedge \neg \mathbf{X}p) \vee \neg p \vee \mathbf{G}p \equiv \mathbf{F}\neg p \vee \mathbf{G}p$, which is clearly a tautology.

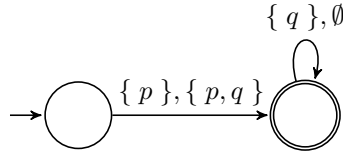
Solution 14.2

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (p \wedge q) \wedge \mathbf{X}(\neg p \wedge \neg q) & & \mathbf{F}(\neg p \wedge q) \\ \mathbf{F}(p \wedge \mathbf{X}\mathbf{F}(\neg q \wedge q)) & (p \wedge \neg q) \mathbf{U} ((\neg p \wedge q) \mathbf{U} \mathbf{G}(\neg p \wedge \neg q)) & \end{array}$$

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Taking $\Sigma := 2^{AP}$.





Solution 14.4

Given two formulas ϕ, ψ of LTL, we denote by $\phi \models \psi$ that every computation satisfying ϕ satisfies ψ . Clearly, we have $\phi \equiv \sigma$ iff $\phi \models \psi$ and $\psi \models \phi$. We prove several little lemmas.

- (1) For every formula ϕ : $\mathbf{FF}\phi \equiv \mathbf{F}\phi$ and $\mathbf{GG}\phi \equiv \mathbf{G}\phi$.
Follows immediately from the definitions.
- (2) For every formula ϕ : $\mathbf{G}\phi \models \phi$ and $\phi \models \mathbf{F}\phi$.
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- (3) For every formula ϕ : $\mathbf{FG}\phi \equiv \mathbf{GFG}\phi$.
 $\mathbf{GFG}\phi \models \mathbf{FG}\phi$ by (2). $\mathbf{FG}\phi \models \mathbf{GFG}\phi$ because if there is point at a computation such that from this point onwards ϕ always holds, then the same is true of every suffix of the computation.
- (4) For every formula ϕ : $\mathbf{GF}\phi \equiv \mathbf{FGF}\phi$.
 $\mathbf{GF}\phi \models \mathbf{FGF}\phi$ by (2). $\mathbf{FGF}\phi \models \mathbf{GF}\phi$ because if p holds at infinitely many points of some suffix of a computation, then it also holds at infinitely many points of the computation.

We prove $\mathbf{FG}p \equiv \mathbf{VFG}p$ by induction on the length of \mathbf{V} . If $\mathbf{V} = \epsilon$, we are done. If $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{YF}$, then we have $\mathbf{VFG}p \equiv \mathbf{YFG}p$ by (1), and if $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{YG}$, then we have the same equivalence by (3). By induction hypothesis we get $\mathbf{YFG}p \equiv \mathbf{FG}p$. The other equivalence is proved similarly.