

## Solution of Exercise sheet 2

### Prequels

We give a few important logical equivalences: let  $\xi, \zeta$  and  $\nu$  some logical statements,

$$\begin{array}{llll}
 \xi \rightarrow \zeta & \iff & \neg\xi \vee \zeta & \text{(definition of implication)} \\
 \xi \wedge \zeta & \iff & \neg(\neg\xi \vee \neg\zeta) & \text{(de Morgan's law)} \\
 \nu \vee (\xi \wedge \zeta) & \iff & (\nu \vee \xi) \wedge (\nu \vee \zeta) & \text{(distributivity of } \wedge \text{ over } \vee) \\
 \forall x \xi & \iff & \neg\exists x (\neg\xi) & \text{(duality between } \forall \text{ and } \exists) \\
 \forall x > k, \xi & \iff & \forall x ((x > k) \rightarrow \xi) & \text{a widely used notation} \\
 \neg\forall x > k, \xi & \iff & \exists x > k, \neg\xi & \text{not hard to prove} \\
 \xi \iff \zeta & \implies & \begin{cases} \exists x \xi \iff \exists x \zeta \\ \nu \wedge \xi \iff \nu \wedge \zeta \\ \neg\xi \iff \neg\zeta \end{cases} & \text{we can rewrite within formulas}
 \end{array}$$

This list is not exhaustive, especially concerning the  $\vee$  and  $\wedge$  operators, which are also associative, commutative, idempotent; false is neutral for  $\vee$  and is the zero of  $\wedge$  and conversely for true.

### Structural Induction over LTL Formulas

For a formal and accurate definition, it is well-founded induction over the set of formulas using the well-order “is a subformula”. The boring details may be inspected in the Wikipedia article on well-founded induction.

Assume we want to show some property  $P$  holds for any LTL formula, for that we need to show:

- Property  $P$  holds for atomic LTL formulas,
- The operators preserve the property. For any LTL formulas  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  such that  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  satisfy the property  $P$  we have to show that:
  - $\varphi \mathcal{U} \psi$  satisfies  $P$
  - $\varphi \vee \psi$  satisfies  $P$
  - $\mathbf{X}\varphi$  satisfies  $P$
  - $\neg\varphi$  satisfies  $P$

Intuitively this ensures any formula will satisfy property  $P$ , as a formula can be seen as a tree whose leaves satisfy property  $P$  and each node preserves the property  $P$ .

This technique can be generalized to other type of inductively defined formulas. Remark that it is crucial that property  $P$  is the same everywhere in the prove.

## (tiny) LTL cheat sheet

$p$	$p \in AP$ and $p \in w(0)$	$p$ holds <b>now</b>
$\neg\varphi$	$w \not\models \varphi$	$\varphi$ doesn't hold
$\varphi \vee \psi$	$w \models \varphi$ or $w \models \psi$	needs not be always the same
$\mathbf{X}\varphi$	$w^1 \models \varphi$	next $\varphi$
$\varphi \mathbf{U} \psi$	$\exists i (w^i \models \psi \wedge \forall k < i, w^k \models \varphi)$	$\psi$ may hold right away
$\mathbf{G}\varphi$	$\forall n w^n \models \varphi$	$\varphi$ is always true
$\mathbf{F}\varphi$	$\exists n w^n \models \varphi$	$\varphi$ is true (at least) once
$\varphi \mathbf{R} \psi$	$\forall i (\forall j < i, w^j \not\models \varphi) \rightarrow w^i \models \psi$	$\psi$ may get false only after $\varphi$ does
$\mathbf{FG}\varphi$	$\exists t \forall n > t, w^n \models \varphi$	$\varphi$ will always hold
$\mathbf{GF}\varphi$	$\forall t \exists n > t, w^n \models \varphi$	$\varphi$ holds infinitely often
$\mathbf{G}(p \rightarrow \mathbf{F}q)$	Each $p$ is eventually followed by a $q$	
$\mathbf{G}(p \rightarrow \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{G}\neg q))$	After the first $p, q$ no longer occurs	

### Exercise 2.1: Solution

$$\varphi = \mathbf{GF}q \text{ and } \psi = \mathbf{G}((q \wedge \neg r \wedge \mathbf{F}r) \rightarrow ((p \rightarrow (\neg r \mathbf{U}(s \wedge \neg r))) \mathbf{U} r))$$

word	$w \models \varphi$	$w \models \psi$
$\{p\}\{p\}\{p\}^\omega$	no	yes
$\{q\}\{q\}\{q\}^\omega$	yes	yes
$\{s\}\{s\}\{s\}^\omega$	no	yes
$\{q, r\}\{q, r\}\{q, r\}^\omega$	yes	yes
$\emptyset\emptyset\emptyset^\omega$	no	yes
$\{r\}\{r\}\{q\}\{q\}(\{r\}\{q\})^\omega$	yes	yes
$\{r\}\{s\}\{r\}\{q\}\{q\}(\{r\}\{q\}\{q\})^\omega$	yes	yes
$\{r\}\{r\}\{q\}\{s\}\{q\}(\{r\}\{r\}\{q\})^\omega$	yes	yes
$rprqqq(rrrqqq)^\omega$	yes	yes
$rprqqqs(rrrqqq)^\omega$	yes	yes
$rrpqqqs(rrrqqq)^\omega$	yes	yes
$rrpqqsq(rrrqqq)^\omega$	yes	yes
$rrpqqqrsr(qqrr)^\omega$	yes	yes
$qqqrrrpqqqsqqq^\omega$	yes	yes
$qqqrrrpqpqqqsqqrq^\omega$	yes	yes

### Exercise 2.2: Solution

1. If a program  $P \models \mathbf{F}g$  then any trace of that program will give a result. For instance  $\{g\}\emptyset^\omega$  is an example of a valid trace and  $\emptyset^\omega$  is not.
2.  $p \rightarrow \mathbf{G}(\neg r \wedge \neg s)$  would only ensure the desired property if the program first gives a result, for instance  $\{s\}\{r\}\{g\}(\{s\}\{r\})^\omega$  would satisfy this LTL formula. Thus the property is  $\mathbf{G}(p \rightarrow \mathbf{G}(\neg r \wedge \neg s))$ , or depending on the semantics of the english word

“after”, only  $\mathbf{G}(p \rightarrow \mathbf{XG}(\neg r \wedge \neg s))$  may be considered correct. Typically  $\{g, s, r\}\emptyset^\omega$  is only satisfying the second formula.

3.  $\mathbf{GF}s$  indicates that  $s$  holds infinitely often ( $\{s\}^\omega$  satisfies this property,  $\{s\}(\{e\}^\omega)$  does not).
4. This time we need the next operator, (otherwise, we would have  $g \rightarrow \mathbf{G}\neg g$ , which implies  $g \rightarrow \neg g$ , thus  $\neg g$ ),  $\mathbf{F}g \wedge \mathbf{G}(g \rightarrow \mathbf{XG}\neg g)$ .
5. It is not possible to express in LTL that property if we consider that every send can only match one receive: that language would not be regular. However if we consider that a send responds to every preceding receive, then the property is equivalent to every receive there will later be a send.  $\mathbf{G}(r \rightarrow \mathbf{XF}s)$ .
6. The most succinct way to write this property is  $(\neg s \wedge \neg g) \mathbf{W}r$ .

### Exercise 2.3: Solution

Remark that  $\emptyset^\omega$  satisfies none of the following formulas, while  $\{p, q, r, s\}^\omega$  satisfies all of them.

1.  $p \mathcal{U}(q \vee \mathbf{G}q)$ : since  $\mathbf{G}q \implies q$ , this formula is equivalent to  $p \mathcal{U}q$ .
2.  $\mathbf{G}(q \rightarrow \mathbf{F}s)$  is  $s$  responds to  $q$ .
3.  $\mathbf{G}((q \wedge \neg r \wedge \mathbf{F}r) \rightarrow (\neg p \mathcal{U}r))$  is  $p$  is false between  $q$  and  $r$ .
4.  $p \mathcal{U} \mathbf{G}q$ , this formula state that the word consists of a finite prefix of  $p$  (other predicates may hold) followed by an infinite suffix of  $q$  (other predicates may hold).
5.  $p \mathcal{U} \mathbf{F}q$ : this formula is equivalent to  $\mathbf{F}q$ . (eventually  $q$  will hold).
6.  $\mathbf{G}(p \mathcal{U} \mathbf{G}q)$ : this formula is equivalent to  $p \mathcal{U} \mathbf{G}q$ , indeed if that formula holds at the first position, it holds at every position.
7.  $(\mathbf{G}p) \mathcal{U} \mathbf{G}q$ : this formula is equivalent to  $p \mathcal{U} \mathbf{G}(p \wedge q)$ .

### Exercise 2.4: Solution

- $w \models \mathbf{G}\varphi \iff w \models \neg(\top \mathbf{U} \neg\varphi)$   
 $\iff \neg(\exists i (w^i \models \neg\varphi \wedge \forall k < i, w^k \models \top))$   
 $\iff \forall i \neg w^i \models \neg\varphi \vee \neg \forall k < i, w^k \models \top$   
 $\iff \forall i \in \mathbb{N} w^i \models \varphi$
- $w \models \varphi \mathbf{R} \psi \iff \neg(\neg\varphi \mathbf{U} \neg\psi)$   
 $\iff \neg \exists i (w^i \models \neg\psi \wedge \forall j < i, w^j \models \neg\varphi)$   
 $\iff \forall i (\neg w^i \models \neg\psi) \vee \neg(\forall j < i, w^j \models \neg\varphi)$   
 $\iff \forall i \in \mathbb{N} (\forall j < i, w^j \models \varphi) \rightarrow w^i \models \psi$
- $w \models \neg(\varphi \mathbf{U} \psi) \iff w \models \neg\varphi \mathbf{R} \neg\psi$
- $w \models \varphi \mathbf{U} \psi \iff \exists i (w^i \models \psi \wedge \forall j < i, w^j \models \varphi)$   
 $\iff (i = 0 \wedge w \models \psi) \vee \left( \exists i > 0, \left\{ \begin{array}{l} w^i \models \psi \wedge (j = 0 \wedge w^0 \models \varphi) \\ \wedge \forall 0 < j < i, w^j \models \varphi \end{array} \right. \right)$   
 $\iff w \models \psi \vee \exists i' w^{i'+1} \models \psi \wedge w \models \varphi \wedge \forall j' < i', w^{j'+1} \models \varphi$   
 $\iff w \models \psi \vee (\varphi \wedge \mathbf{X}(\varphi \mathbf{U} \psi))$
- $w \models \varphi \mathbf{R} \psi \iff w \models \neg(\neg\varphi \mathbf{U} \neg\psi)$   
 $\iff \neg \exists i (w^i \models \neg\psi) \wedge (\forall j < i, w^j \models \varphi)$   
 $\iff \forall i (w^i \models \psi \vee \exists j < i, w^j \models \varphi)$   
 $\iff \forall i (w^i \models \neg\psi \rightarrow \exists j < i, w^j \models \varphi)$

We need to remark that if  $\forall i w^i \models \psi$ , then  $w \models \varphi \mathbf{R} \psi$ . If, on the contrary,  $\psi$  does not always hold, we can find a smallest position  $k$ , such that  $\psi$  doesn't hold: that is  $\exists k \forall j < k, w^j \models \psi \wedge w^k \not\models \psi$ .  $\varphi \mathbf{R} \psi$  therefore implies (by instancing the universal quantification with  $k$ ), that  $\exists j < k, w^j \models \varphi$ . Thus we have that  $(w \not\models \mathbf{G}\psi$  and  $w \models \varphi \mathbf{R} \psi$ ) implies  $\exists j < k, w \models \varphi$ , and as  $\forall i < k, w \models \psi$ , we deduce that it implies  $w \models \psi \mathbf{U}(\varphi \wedge \psi)$ . Therefore  $(w \models \varphi \mathbf{R} \psi$  and  $w \models \mathbf{G}\psi)$  or  $(w \models \varphi \mathbf{R} \psi$  and  $w \not\models \mathbf{G}\psi)$  implies either  $w \models \mathbf{G}\psi$  or  $w \models \psi \mathbf{U}(\varphi \wedge \psi)$  thus  $w \models \varphi \mathbf{R} \psi \implies w \models \mathbf{G}\psi \vee (\psi \mathbf{U}(\varphi \wedge \psi))$ .

To show the converse implication, assume that  $w \models \mathbf{G}\psi \vee (\psi \mathbf{U}(\varphi \wedge \psi))$ . Let us show that for any  $i, w^i \not\models \psi \implies \exists j < i, w^j \models \varphi$ . If  $i$  is such that  $w^i \not\models \psi$ , then by hypothesis  $w \models \psi \mathbf{U}(\varphi \wedge \psi)$  so this  $i$  is necessarily greater than the position where  $\varphi \wedge \psi$  hold, hence there is a position before  $i$  where  $\varphi$  holds.

### Exercise 2.5: Solution

Any trace of  $K_1$  is also a trace  $K_2$ , therefore  $K_2 \models \varphi$  is equivalent to  $\forall w \in K_2, w \models \varphi$ . As  $\forall w \in K_1, w \in K_2$ , we have  $\forall w \in K_1, w \models \varphi$ , hence  $K_2 \models \varphi \implies K_1 \models \varphi$ .