IA008: Computational Logic

6. Modal Logic

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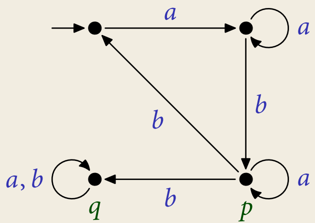
Basic Concepts

Transition Systems

directed graph $\mathfrak{S} = \langle S, (E_a)_{a \in A}, (P_i)_{i \in I}, s_0 \rangle$ with

- **states** S
- **initial state** $s_0 \in S$
- **edge relations** E_a with **edge colours** $a \in A$ (‘**actions**’)
- **unary predicates** P_i with **vertex colours** $i \in I$ (‘**properties**’)



Modal logic

Propositional logic with **modal operators**

- $\langle a \rangle \varphi$ 'there exists an a-successor where φ holds'
- $[a]\varphi$ 'φ holds in every a-successor'

Notation: $\Diamond\varphi$, $\Box\varphi$ if there are no edge labels

Formal semantics

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\begin{aligned}
\mathfrak{S}, s &\models P && :\text{iff} \quad s \in P \\
\mathfrak{S}, s &\models \varphi \wedge \psi && :\text{iff} \quad \mathfrak{S}, s \models \varphi \text{ and } \mathfrak{S}, s \models \psi \\
\mathfrak{S}, s &\models \varphi \vee \psi && :\text{iff} \quad \mathfrak{S}, s \models \varphi \text{ or } \mathfrak{S}, s \models \psi \\
\mathfrak{S}, s &\models \neg\varphi && :\text{iff} \quad \mathfrak{S}, s \not\models \varphi \\
\mathfrak{S}, s &\models \langle a \rangle \varphi && :\text{iff} \quad \text{there is } s \to^{a} t \text{ such that } \mathfrak{S}, t \models \varphi \\
\mathfrak{S}, s &\models [a]\varphi && :\text{iff} \quad \text{for all } s \to^{a} t, \text{ we have } \mathfrak{S}, t \models \varphi
\end{aligned}
$$

Examples

$P \wedge \Diamond Q$	'The state is in P and there exists a transition to Q.'
$[a]\bot$	'The state has no outgoing a-transition.'

Interpretations

- **Temporal Logic** talks about time:
  - states: points in time (discrete/continuous)
  - $\Diamond\varphi$ 'sometime in the future φ holds'
  - $\Box\varphi$ 'always in the future φ holds'
- **Epistemic Logic** talks about knowledge:
  - states: possible worlds
  - $\Diamond\varphi$ 'φ might be true'
  - $\Box\varphi$ 'φ is certainly true'

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Proof

$$\begin{aligned}
P^* &:= P(x) \\
(\varphi \wedge \psi)^* &:= \varphi^*(x) \wedge \psi^*(x) \\
(\varphi \vee \psi)^* &:= \varphi^*(x) \vee \psi^*(x) \\
(\neg\varphi)^* &:= \neg\varphi^*(x) \\
(\langle a \rangle \varphi)^* &:= \exists y[E_a(x,y) \wedge \varphi^*(y)] \\
([a]\varphi)^* &:= \forall y[E_a(x,y) \rightarrow \varphi^*(y)]
\end{aligned}$$

Bisimulation

$\mathfrak{S}$ and $\mathfrak{T}$ transition systems

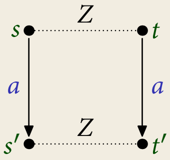
$Z \subseteq S \times T$ is a **bisimulation** if, for all $\langle s, t \rangle \in Z$,

(local) $s \in P \ \Leftrightarrow \ t \in P$

(forth) for every $s \to^a s'$, exists $t \to^a t'$ with $\langle s', t' \rangle \in Z$,

(back) for every $t \to^a t'$, exists $s \to^a s'$ with $\langle s', t' \rangle \in Z$.

$\mathfrak{S}, s$ and $\mathfrak{T}, t$ are **bisimilar** if there is a bisimulation Z with $\langle s, t \rangle \in Z$.



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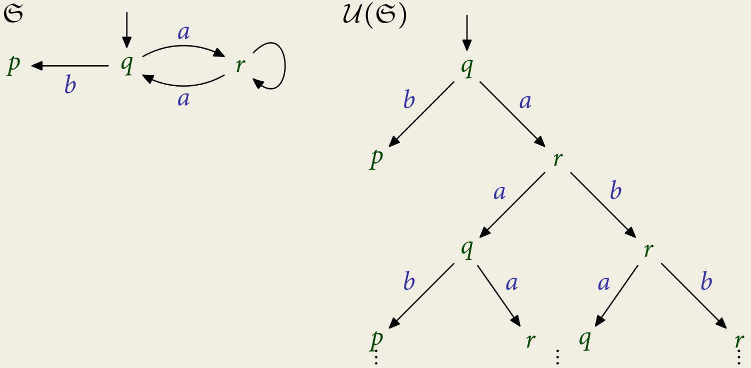

Lemma
$\mathfrak{S}$ and $\mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{S})$ are bisimilar.

Bisimulation invariance

Theorem

Two **finite** transition systems $\mathfrak{S}$ and $\mathfrak{T}$ are **bisimilar** if, and only if,

$$\mathfrak{S} \vDash \varphi \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathfrak{T} \vDash \varphi, \qquad \text{for every modal formula } \varphi .$$

Definition

A formula $\varphi(x)$ is **bisimulation invariant** if

$$\mathfrak{S}, s \sim \mathfrak{T}, t \quad \text{implies} \quad \mathfrak{S} \vDash \varphi(s) \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{T} \vDash \varphi(t) .$$

Theorem

A first-order formula φ is equivalent to a **modal formula** if, and only if, it is **bisimulation invariant.**

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Examples

- $\Box \forall x \varphi(x) \to \forall x \Box \varphi(x)$ is valid.
- $\forall x \Box \varphi(x) \to \Box \forall x \varphi(x)$ is not valid.

Tableaux

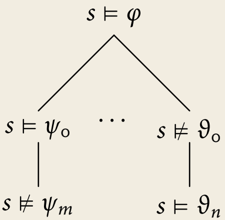
Tableau Proofs

Statements

$s \vDash \varphi \qquad s \nvDash \varphi \qquad s \to^{a} t$

s, t **state labels,** φ a **modal formula**

Rules



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A **tableau** for a formula φ is constructed as follows:

- start with $s_0 \nvDash \varphi$
- choose a branch of the tree
- choose a statement $s \vDash \psi / s \nvDash \psi$ on the branch
- choose a rule with head $s \vDash \psi / s \nvDash \psi$
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Tableaux with premises Γ

- choose a branch, a state s on the branch, a premise $\psi \in \Gamma$, and add $s \vDash \psi$ to the branch

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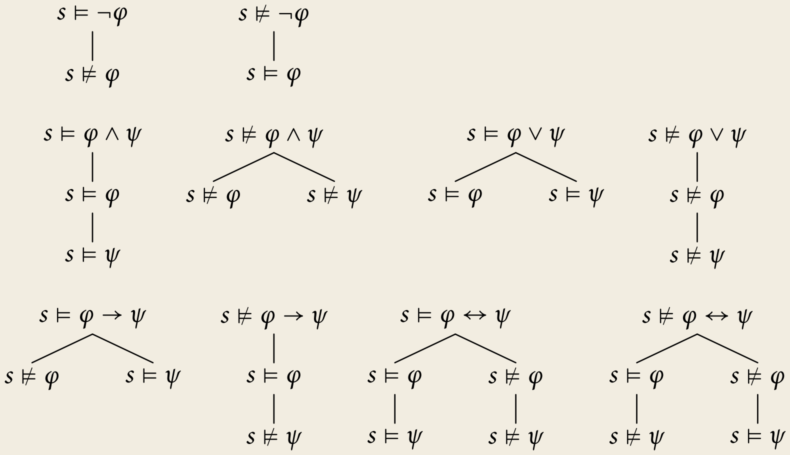
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Rules

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
\begin{array}{c} s \vDash \langle a \rangle \varphi \\ | \\ s \to^{a} t \\ | \\ t \vDash \varphi \end{array} &
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t a new state, t' every state with entry $s \to^{a} t'$ on the branch,
c a new constant symbol, t an arbitrary term

Example $\varphi \vDash \Box\varphi$

$$s \nvDash \Box\varphi$$

$$s \to t$$

$$t \nvDash \varphi$$

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Example $\vDash \Box(\varphi \to \psi) \to (\Box\varphi \to \Box\psi)$

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Soundness and Completeness

Consequence

ψ is a **consequence** of Γ if, and only if, for all transition systems $\mathfrak{S}$,

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Theorem

A modal formula φ is a consequence of Γ if, and only if, there exists a tableau T for φ with premises Γ where every branch is contradictory.

Temporal Logics

Linear Temporal Logic (LTL)

Speaks about **paths.** $P \longrightarrow \bullet \longrightarrow \bullet \longrightarrow P, Q \longrightarrow Q \longrightarrow \bullet \longrightarrow \cdots$

Syntax

- atomic predicates $P, Q, \ldots$
- boolean operations $\wedge, \vee, \neg$
- next $X\varphi$
- until $\varphi U \psi$
- finally $F\varphi := \top U \varphi$
- generally $G\varphi := \neg F \neg \varphi$

Examples

FP	a state in P is reachable
GFP	we can reach infinitely many states in P
$(\neg P) U (P \wedge Q)$	the first reachable state in P is also in Q

Linear Temporal Logic (LTL)

Theorem

Let L be a set of paths. The following statements are equivalent:

- L can be defined in LTL.
- L can be defined in first-order logic.
- L can be defined by a star-free regular expression.

Computation Tree Logic (CTL and CTL*)

Applies LTL-formulae to the branches of a tree.

Syntax (of CTL*)

- **state formulae** φ:

$$\varphi ::= P \mid \varphi \wedge \varphi \mid \varphi \vee \varphi \mid \neg\varphi \mid A\psi \mid E\psi$$

- **path formulae** ψ:

$$\psi ::= \varphi \mid \psi \wedge \psi \mid \psi \vee \psi \mid \neg\psi \mid X\psi \mid \psi U \psi \mid F\psi \mid G\psi$$

Examples

EFP	a state in P is reachable
AFP	every branch contains a state in P
$EGFP$	there is a branch with infinitely many P
$EGEFP$	there is a branch such that we can reach P from every of its states

The modal μ-calculus (L_μ)

Adds recursion to modal logic.

Syntax

$$\varphi ::= P \mid \varphi \wedge \varphi \mid \varphi \vee \varphi \mid \neg\varphi \mid \langle a\rangle\varphi \mid [a]\varphi \mid \mu X.\varphi(X) \mid \nu X.\varphi(X)$$

Examples

$\mu X(P \vee \Diamond X)$	a state in P is reachable
$\nu X(P \wedge \Diamond X)$	there is a branch with all states in P

The modal μ-calculus (L_μ)

Theorem

A regular tree language can be defined in the **modal μ-calculus** if, and only if, it is **bisimulation invariant.**

Theorem

Satisfiability of μ-calculus formulae is **decidable.**

(The algorithm uses tree automata and parity games.)

Description Logics

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General Idea

Extend **Modal Logic** with operations that are **not bisimulation-invariant.**

Applications

Knowledge representation, deductive databases, system modelling, semantic web

Ingredients

- **individuals:** elements (Anna, John, Paul, Marry,…)
- **concepts:** unary predicates (person, male, female,…)
- **roles:** binary relations (has_child, is_married_to,…)
- **TBox:** terminology definitions
- **ABox:** assertions about the world

Example

TBox

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{man} &:= \text{person} \wedge \text{male} \\
\text{woman} &:= \text{person} \wedge \text{female} \\
\text{father} &:= \text{man} \wedge \exists \text{has_child.person} \\
\text{mother} &:= \text{woman} \wedge \exists \text{has_child.person}
\end{aligned}$$

ABox

man(John)

man(Paul)

woman(Anna)

woman(Marry)

has_child(Anna, Paul)

is_married_to(Anna, John)

Syntax

Concepts

$$\varphi ::= P \mid \top \mid \bot \mid \neg\varphi \mid \varphi \wedge \varphi \mid \varphi \vee \varphi \mid \forall R\varphi \mid \exists R\varphi \mid (\geq nR) \mid (\leq nR)$$

Terminology axioms

$$\varphi \sqsubseteq \psi \qquad \varphi \equiv \psi$$

TBox Axioms of the form $P \equiv \varphi$.

Assertions

$$\varphi(a) \qquad R(a, b)$$

Extensions

- operations on roles: $R \cap S$, $R \cup S$, $R \circ S$, $\neg R$, R^+, R^*, R^-
- extended number restrictions: $(\geq nR)\varphi$, $(\leq nR)\varphi$

Algorithmic Problems

- **Satisfiability:** Is φ satisfiable?
- **Subsumption:** $\varphi \models \psi$?
- **Equivalence:** $\varphi \equiv \psi$?
- **Disjointness:** $\varphi \land \psi$ unsatisfiable?

All problems can be solved with standard methods like **tableaux** or **tree automata.**

Semantic Web: OWL (functional syntax)

```
Ontology(
  Class(pp:man    complete
          intersectionOf(pp:person pp:male))
  Class(pp:woman  complete
          intersectionOf(pp:person pp:female))
  Class(pp:father complete
          intersectionOf(pp:man
            restriction(pp:has_child pp:person)))
  Class(pp:mother complete
          intersectionOf(pp:woman
            restriction(pp:has_child pp:person)))
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  Individual(pp:Paul  type(pp:man))
  Individual(pp:Anna  type(pp:woman)
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               value(pp:is_married_to pp:John))
  Individual(pp:Marry type(pp:woman))
)
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