

Introduction to Model-Checking

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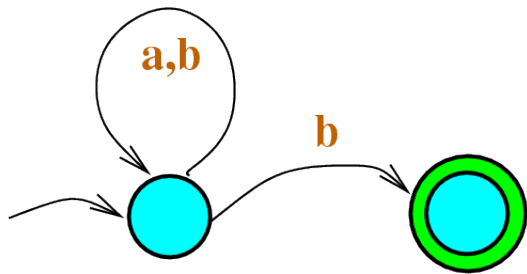
\mathbb{A} **accepts** $a_0 \cdots a_{n-1}$ if there is such an execution with $s_n \in F$

$L(\mathbb{A}) := \{w \in \Sigma^+ \mid \mathbb{A} \text{ accepts } w\}$: sets of this form are **regular languages**

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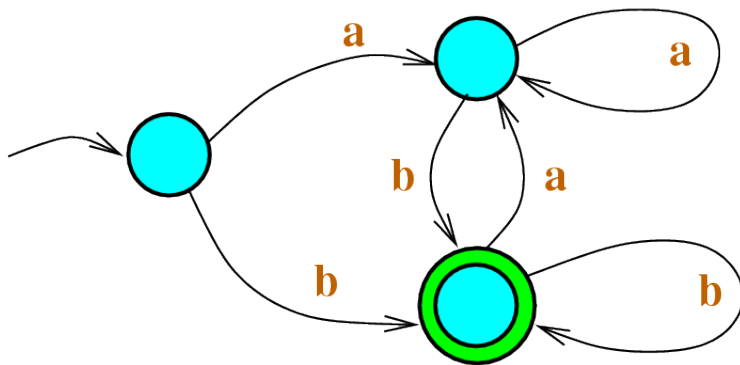
Examples



$$\Sigma = \{a,b\}$$

$$L = (a+b)^*b$$

NFA



DFA

Determinization

Proposition

Every NFA is equivalent to a DFA.

Proof Given an NFA $\mathbb{A} = (S, \Sigma, s_0, \Delta, F)$. Define $\mathbb{A}' = (S', \Sigma, s'_0, \Delta', F')$ by

- $S' := P(S)$
- $s'_0 := \{s_0\}$
- $\Delta' :=$ set of (X, a, Y) with $X \subseteq S, a \in \Sigma$ and
$$Y = \{s' \in S \mid (s, a, s') \in \Delta, s \in X\}$$
- $F' := \{X \subseteq S \mid X \cap F \neq \emptyset\}$

Then \mathbb{A}' is a DFA with $L(\mathbb{A}) = L(\mathbb{A}')$. **qed**

Remark $(S', \Sigma, s'_0, \Delta', S' \setminus F')$ accepts $\Sigma^+ \setminus L(\mathbb{A})$.

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Büchi's Theorem 1960

Exactly the regular languages are MSO-definable.

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- *Part* expresses that the X_i form a partition:

$$\forall x \left(\bigvee_{i < k} X_i(x) \wedge \bigwedge_{i < j < k} (\neg X_i(x) \vee \neg X_j(x)) \right).$$

- *Init* expresses that the computation starts in s_0 :

$$\forall x (\forall z \ x \leq z \rightarrow X_0(x))$$

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- *Trans* expresses that successive states accord to Δ :

$$\forall x \forall y \left(x \leq y \wedge \neg x = y \wedge \forall z (z \leq x \vee y \leq z) \rightarrow \bigvee_{(i,a,j) \in \Delta} (X_i(x) \wedge P_a(x) \wedge X_j(y)) \right)$$

- *Acc* expresses that the computation accepts:

$$\forall x \left(\forall z \ z \leq x \rightarrow \bigvee_{\substack{(i,a,j) \in \Delta \\ j \in F}} (X_i(x) \wedge P_a(x)) \right)$$

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An MSO-formula is **ready for translation** if it is obtained from the above formulas by means of $\neg, \vee, \exists Z$.

Claim: For every MSO-sentence φ there is an MSO-sentence φ^* that is ready for translation and such that

$$L(\varphi) = L(\varphi^*).$$

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Define $\varphi(x, y, \dots, \bar{Z}) \mapsto \varphi^*(X, Y, \dots, \bar{Z})$ such that:

for all words $w \in \Sigma^+$, say of length n , we have

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$$(x \leq y)^* := \text{Before}(X, Y)$$

$$(P_a(x))^* := \text{Letter}_a(X)$$

$$(\varphi \vee \psi)^* := \varphi^* \vee \psi^*$$

$$(\neg \varphi)^* := \neg \varphi^*$$

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$$(\exists x \varphi)^* := \exists X (\text{Sing}(X) \wedge \varphi^*)$$

The claim is proved.

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Write $w \in (\Sigma \times \{0, 1\} \times \{0, 1\})^n$ as

$$w = (a_0, b_0^0, b_1^0) \cdots (a_{n-1}, b_0^{n-1}, b_1^{n-1})$$

w satisfies $\varphi(Z_0, Z_1)$ if $\mathcal{S}(a_0 \cdots a_{n-1}) \models \varphi(A_0, A_1)$,

where

$$\begin{array}{l} A_0 := \{i \in [n] \mid b_0^i = 1\} \\ A_1 := \{i \in [n] \mid b_1^i = 1\} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} A_0 = \{1, 3\} \\ A_1 = \{0, 3\} \end{array} \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccccc} a_0 & a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & a_4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right.$$

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- φ is $Sing(Z_i)$, $Letter_a(Z_i)$, $Before(Z_i, Z_j)$: **Exercise!**
- if φ is $(\psi \vee \chi)$, use closure under union Ex-(b).

i.e., given $\mathbb{B}_{\psi(\bar{Z})}, \mathbb{B}_{\chi(\bar{Z})}$, choose $\mathbb{B}_{\varphi(\bar{Z})}$ such that

$$L(\mathbb{B}_{\varphi(\bar{Z})}) = L(\mathbb{B}_{\psi(\bar{Z})}) \cup L(\mathbb{B}_{\chi(\bar{Z})}).$$

- if φ is $\neg\psi$, use closure under complementation Ex-(a).
- if φ is $\exists Z_i \psi$, use closure under projection Ex-(c) and padding Ex-(d).

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Remark There described functions $\varphi \mapsto \mathbb{A}_{\varphi}$ and $\mathbb{A} \mapsto \varphi_{\mathbb{A}}$ are computable.

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There is a computable function that maps a given $\text{MSO}[\{\leq\} \cup \{P_a \mid a \in \Sigma\}]$ -sentence ψ to an $\text{MSO}[\{\leq\} \cup \{P_a \mid a \in \Sigma\}]$ -sentence φ of the form

$$\exists \bar{X} \varphi_0$$

where φ_0 is first-order such that for all $w \in \Sigma^+$:

$$\mathcal{S}(w) \models \psi \iff \mathcal{S}(w) \models \varphi.$$

Proof Set $\varphi := \varphi_{\mathbb{A}_\psi}$ as in the proof of Büchi's theorem. □

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Proof Given w, φ compute the DFA $\mathbb{A}_\varphi = (S, s_0, \Delta, F)$.

Check whether \mathbb{A}_φ accepts $w = a_0 \cdots a_{n-1}$:

$s \leftarrow s_0$

$i \leftarrow 0$

while $i < n$ **do**:

$a \leftarrow a_i$

$s \leftarrow \Delta(s, a)$

$i \leftarrow i + 1$

if $s \in F$, **accept**, **else reject**.

We assume each line needs constant time.

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$$z := a_j \cdots a_{n-1}$$

Repeating $a_i \ s_{i+1} \ \cdots \ a_{j-1} \ s_j$ for n times is again an execution. □

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Example

View a word over $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ as a tachograph recording:
 a means "driving", b means "resting"

Law: "every driving time must be followed by an equally long time of resting."

Legal tachographs recordings:

$$L := \{b^m a^{i_1} b^{i_1} \dots a^{i_n} b^{i_n} \mid n, m \in \mathbb{N}, i_1, \dots, i_n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

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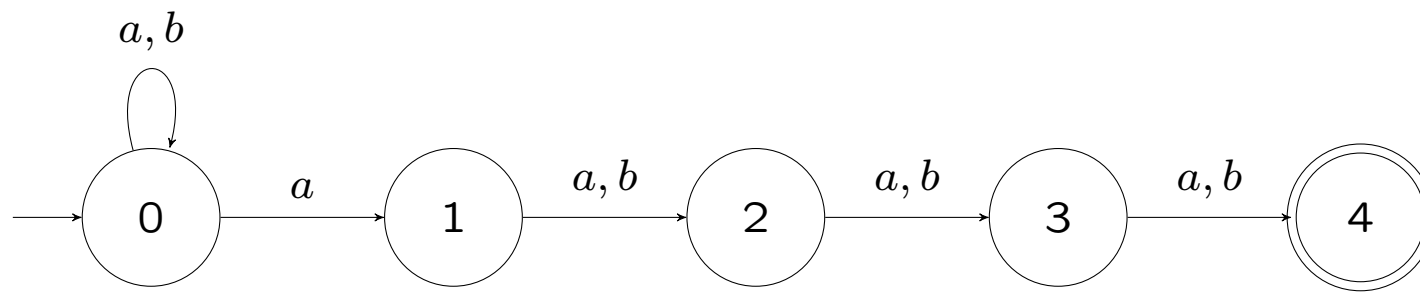
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There is no MSO $[\{\leq\} \cup \{P_a, P_b\}]$ -formula $\varphi(x, y, z)$ such that for all $w \in \{a, b\}^+$ and all $i, j, k \in [|w|]$

$$i + j = k \iff \mathcal{S}(w) \models \varphi(i, j, k).$$

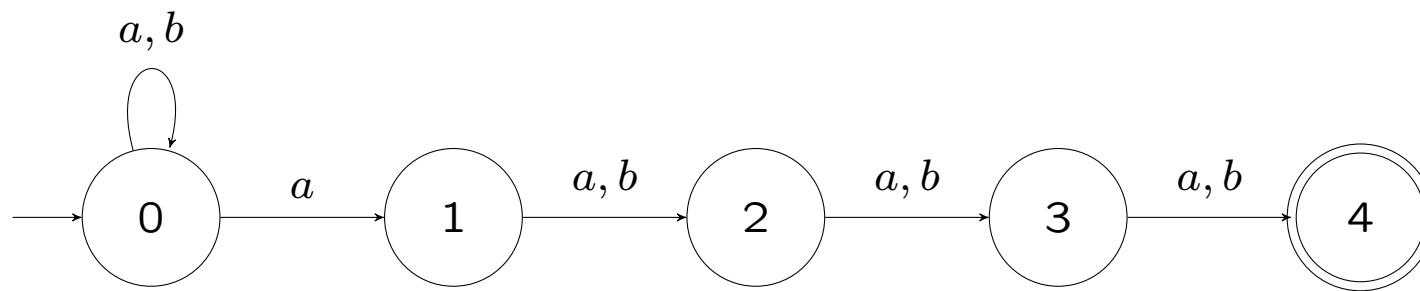
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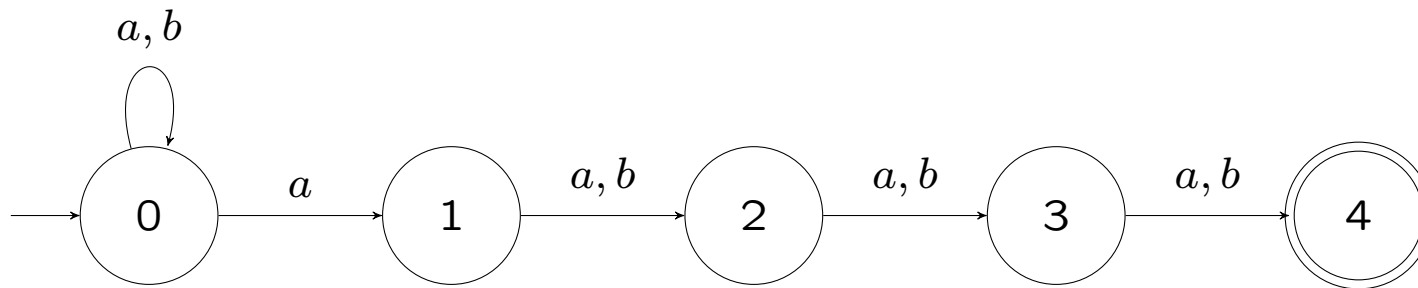
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Proposition Let $k \in \mathbb{N}_{>0}$. Every DFA \mathbb{A} with $L(\mathbb{A}) = L_k$ has at least 2^k states.

Proof Assume \mathbb{A} is a DFA with $< 2^k$ states.

There exists distinct $x = x_0 \cdots x_{k-1}, y = y_0 \cdots y_{k-1} \in \{a, b\}^k$ such that \mathbb{A} on x, y reaches the same state.

Say, $x_i \neq y_i$. Then \mathbb{A} accepts xb^{k-i} iff \mathbb{A} accepts yb^{k-i} .

Exactly one is in L_k . Hence $L(\mathbb{A}) \neq L_k$. □

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Frick, Grohe 2004

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$$\mathbb{A} = (S, s_0, \Delta, F).$$

\mathbb{A} accepts an infinite word

$$\sigma = a_0 a_1 a_2 \cdots \in \Sigma^\omega$$

if there exists an execution

$$s_0 a_0 s_1 a_1 s_2 a_2 s_3 \cdots$$

such that $s_i \in F$ for infinitely many $i \in \mathbb{N}$.

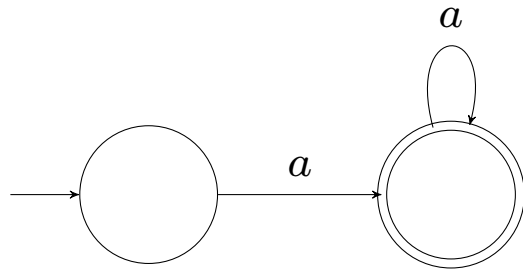
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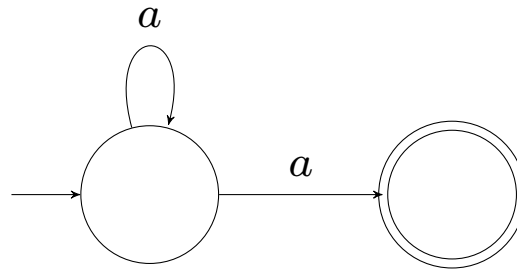
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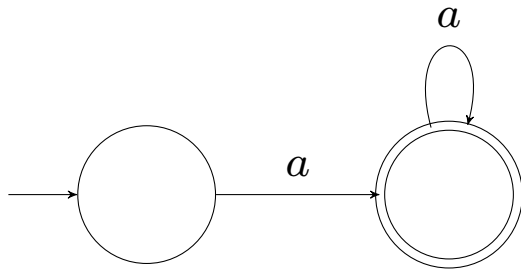
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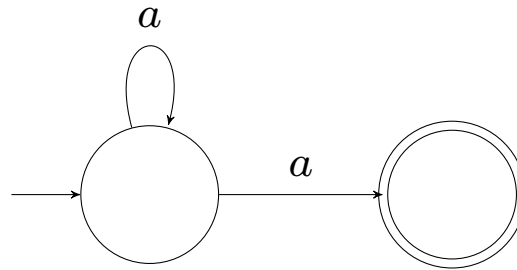
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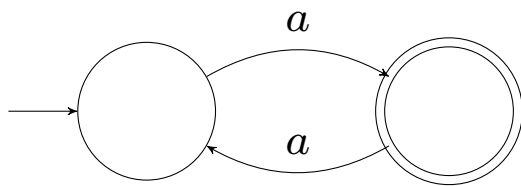
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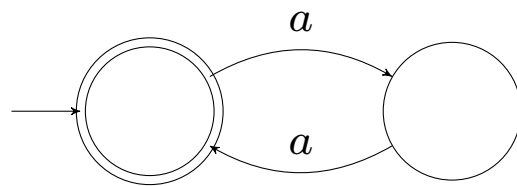
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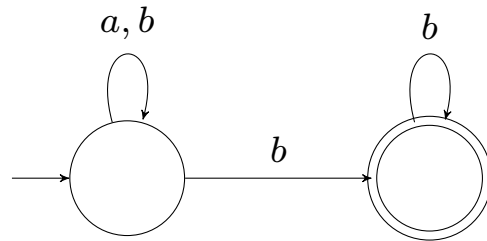
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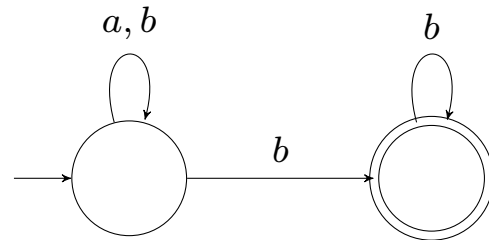
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This run is continued to an accepting run of $b^{n_0} a b b b \dots \in L$.

Choose n_1 such that \mathbb{A} is in a final state after reading $b^{n_0} a b^{n_1}$.

Continue. Get accepting run on

$$b^{n_0} a b^{n_1} a b^{n_2} a \dots$$

Outside L , contradiction. □

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McNaughton 1966

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Büchi again

Let Σ be a finite alphabet. View $\sigma = a_0 a_1 \cdots \in \Sigma^\omega$ as a structure $\mathcal{S}(\sigma)$:

- vocabulary: $\{\leq\} \cup \{P_a \mid a \in \Sigma\}$:
- universe: \mathbb{N}
- $P_a^{\mathcal{S}(\sigma)} := \{i \in \mathbb{N} \mid a_i = a\}$
- $\leq^{\mathcal{S}(\sigma)} :=$ the natural \leq .

An MSO-sentence φ defines $L_\omega(\varphi) = \{\sigma \in \Sigma^\omega \mid \mathcal{S}(\sigma) \models \varphi\}$

Büchi's theorem - ω -version

There are computable functions

$$\varphi \mapsto \mathbb{A}_\varphi \text{ and } \mathbb{A} \mapsto \varphi_{\mathbb{A}}$$

from MSO-sentences to NBAs and back such that

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Proof As before. **Exercise** Define $\mathbb{A} \mapsto \varphi_{\mathbb{A}}$.

□

Corollaries

Corollary The following problems are decidable.

Input: MSO[$\{\leq\} \cup \{P_a \mid a \in \Sigma\}$]-sentence φ .

Problem: is there a $\sigma \in \Sigma^\omega$ such that $\mathcal{S}(\sigma) \models \varphi$?

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Problem: are φ and ψ equivalent in all structures $\mathcal{S}(\sigma)$ for $\sigma \in \Sigma^\omega$?

Proof Second follows from first.

First: compute \mathbb{A}_φ , **check** whether $L_\omega(\mathbb{A}_\varphi) = \emptyset$.

Equivalently: check whether there is a final state that is reachable from the initial state and lies on a cycle. \square

Linear time properties

Transition system \mathbb{T} consists of:

S set of states

$I \subseteq S$ a set of initial states

Act set of actions

$\rightarrow \subseteq S \times Act \times S$ transition relation

AP set of propositional variables

$L : S \rightarrow 2^{AP}$ labeling

Additional assumption: for all $s \in S$ there are $\alpha \in Act, s' \in S : s \xrightarrow{\alpha} s'$

The trace of an execution $s_0 \alpha_0 s_1 \alpha_1 s_2 \alpha_2 \dots$ is

$$L(s_0) L(s_1) L(s_2) \dots \in \Sigma^\omega$$

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

Linear time property: subset $P \subseteq \Sigma^\omega$.

\mathbb{T} satisfies P if every trace of (an execution of) \mathbb{T} is in P .

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Trace automaton

Proposition The set of traces of a transition system is ω -regular.

Proof Given $\mathbb{T} = (S, I, Act, \rightarrow, AP, L)$.

Define NBA $\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{T}}$:

states $S \cup \{s_0\}$ for a new $s_0 \notin S$

initial state s_0

alphabet $\Sigma := 2^{AP}$

transition relation contains (s, a, s') iff

$a = L(s)$ and $s \xrightarrow{\text{any}} s'$ (i.e., $s \xrightarrow{\alpha} s'$ for some $\alpha \in Act$), or,

$s = s_0$ and $s'' \xrightarrow{\text{any}} s'$ and $a = L(s'')$ for some $s'' \in I$.

final states S

Then $L_{\omega}(\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{T}}) =$ the set of traces of \mathbb{T} .

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Compute NBA $\mathbb{A}_{\neg\varphi}$ of Büchi's Theorem

Compute NBA \mathbb{B} of size $O(|\mathbb{A}_{\neg\varphi}| \cdot |\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{T}}|)$ (earlier Exercise) with

$$L_{\omega}(\mathbb{B}) = L_{\omega}(\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{T}}) \cap L_{\omega}(\mathbb{A}_{\neg\varphi}).$$

Check whether $L_{\omega}(\mathbb{B}) = \emptyset$ (iff $L_{\omega}(\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{T}}) \subseteq L_{\omega}(\varphi)$)

check no cycle contains a reachable final state

standard techniques do this in time $O(|\mathbb{B}|)$

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Absorption laws: $\diamond \square \diamond p \equiv \square \diamond p$, $\square \diamond \square p \equiv \diamond \square p$

Distributive laws: $\square (p \wedge q) \equiv \square p \wedge \square q$, $\diamond (p \vee q) \equiv \diamond p \vee \diamond q$, $X (p U q) \equiv X p U X q$

Expansion law: $p U q \equiv q \vee (p \wedge X (p U q))$

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Example imagine a transition system including a traffic light: propositional variables $g, y, r \in AP$ indicating “green”, “yellow”, “red”.

“Once red, the light turns eventually green”

$$\Box(r \rightarrow \diamond g)$$

“Once red, the light turns eventually green after being yellow for some time”

$$\Box\left(r \rightarrow rU(y \wedge X(yUg))\right)$$

LTL versus FO

Theorem (Kamp 1968)

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Proof of the easy part: let AP be the Boolean variables in φ and $\Sigma := 2^{AP}$. Define $\varphi \mapsto \varphi^*(x)$ from LTL-to FO-formulas such that for all $\sigma \in \Sigma^\omega$ and $i \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\sigma, i \models_{\text{LTL}} \varphi \iff \mathcal{S}(\sigma) \models_{\text{FO}} \varphi^*(i).$$

$$p^* := \bigvee_{p \in a \in \Sigma} P_a(x),$$

$$(\neg \varphi)^* := \neg \varphi^*(x),$$

$$(\varphi \wedge \psi)^* := \varphi^*(x) \wedge \psi^*(x)$$

$$(X\varphi)^* := \exists y (x \leq y \wedge \neg x = y \wedge \forall z (z \leq x \vee y \leq z) \wedge \varphi^*(y)),$$

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AP := set of Boolean variables in φ ,

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This is a **type**: a set $s \subseteq \Gamma$ such that for formulas in Γ

$$\psi_0 \wedge \psi_1 \in s \iff \psi_0 \in s \text{ and } \psi_1 \in s,$$

$$\neg\psi \in s \iff \psi \notin s,$$

$$\psi_1 \in s \implies \psi_0 U \psi_1 \in s \implies \psi_0 \in s \text{ or } \psi_1 \in s.$$

Let S denote the set of types.

LTL Model-Checking

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Suffices!

Consider GNBA $\mathbb{A} := (S \cup \{s_0^*\}, \Sigma, s_0^*, \Delta^*, \mathcal{F})$ with new s_0^* and

$\Delta^* := \Delta \cup \{(s_0^*, a, s) \mid \text{exists } s_0 \in S : \varphi \in s_0 \text{ and } (s_0, a, s) \in \Delta\}$

satisfies $L_\omega(\mathbb{A}) = L_\omega(\varphi)$.

Exercise gives equivalent NBA \mathbb{A}_φ with $|\mathcal{F}| \cdot |S \cup \{s_0^*\}| \leq 2^{2|\varphi|}$ many states.

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- (a) $s_0 a_0 s_1 a_1 \cdots$ is an accepting run of the GNBA $(S, s_0, \Sigma, \Delta, \mathcal{F})$
- (b) $\Gamma_i^\sigma = s_i$ for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$.

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$$\sigma, i \models \psi \iff \psi \in s_i$$

for all $\psi \in \Gamma$ by induction on ψ . Case $\psi = \psi_0 U \psi_1$. For simplicity $i = 0$. Show:

$$\sigma, 0 \models \psi_0 U \psi_1 \iff \psi_0 U \psi_1 \in s_0.$$

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\Rightarrow choose i such that: $\sigma, i \models \psi_1$ and $\sigma, j \models \psi_0$ for all $j < i$

by induction: $\psi_1 \in s_i$ and $\psi_0 \in s_j$ for all $j < i$

by type-definition: $\psi_0 U \psi_1 \in s_i$

as $\psi_0 \in s_{i-1}$, by Δ -definition: $\psi_0 U \psi_1 \in s_{i-1}$

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... continue until $\psi_0 U \psi_1 \in s_j \in \{s \mid \psi_0 U \psi_1 \notin s\} \cup \{s \mid \psi_1 \in s\}$.

Then $\psi_1 \in s_j$: **done!**

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LTL Model-Checking

As before:

Corollary The problem

Input: a transition system \mathbb{T} , an LTL-formula φ .

Problem: $\sigma, 0 \models \varphi$ for every trace σ of \mathbb{T} ?

is decidable in time $2^{O(|\varphi|)} \cdot |\mathbb{T}|$.

LTL Model-Checking

Proposition

LTL-formulas φ do not have equivalent NBAs with $2^{O(\sqrt{|\varphi|})}$ states.

Proof Let $AP = \{p\}$. For $n \in \mathbb{N}$ let L_n contain the words

$$a_0 a_1 \cdots a_{n-1} \quad a_0 a_1 \cdots a_{n-1} \quad \emptyset \quad \emptyset \cdots$$

Defined by the size $O(n^2)$ formula

$$\bigwedge_{i < n} (X^i p \leftrightarrow X^{n+i} p).$$

Let \mathbb{A} be an NBA with $L_\omega(\mathbb{A}) = L_n$. For each $a_0 \cdots a_{n-1} \in 2^{AP}$ there is a state $q(a_0 \cdots a_{n-1})$ such that \mathbb{A} with this starting state accepts

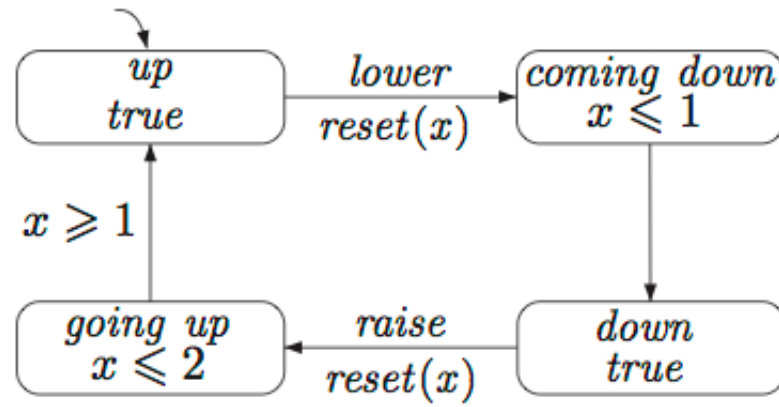
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This is not true for $q(a'_0 \cdots a'_{n-1})$ for every $a'_0 \cdots a'_{n-1} \neq a_0 \cdots a_{n-1}$.

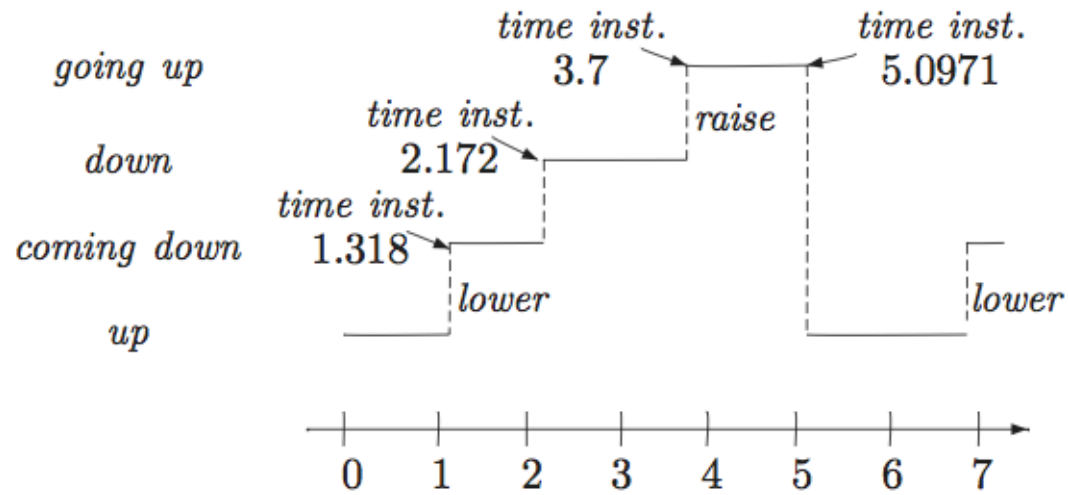
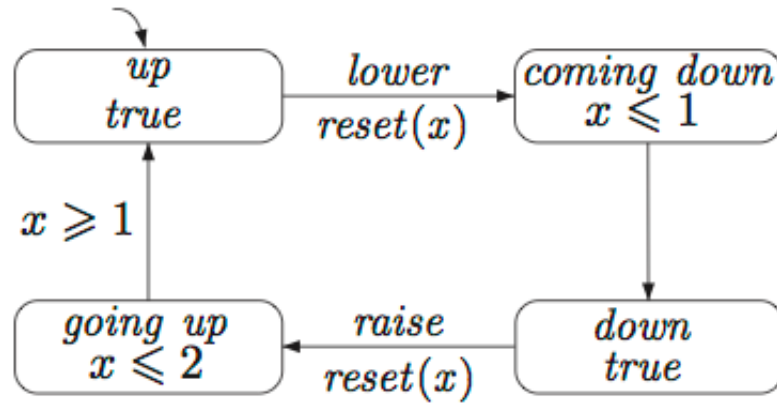
Hence the states $q(a_0 \cdots a_{n-1})$ are pairwise distinct.

Hence \mathbb{A} has at least 2^n many states. □

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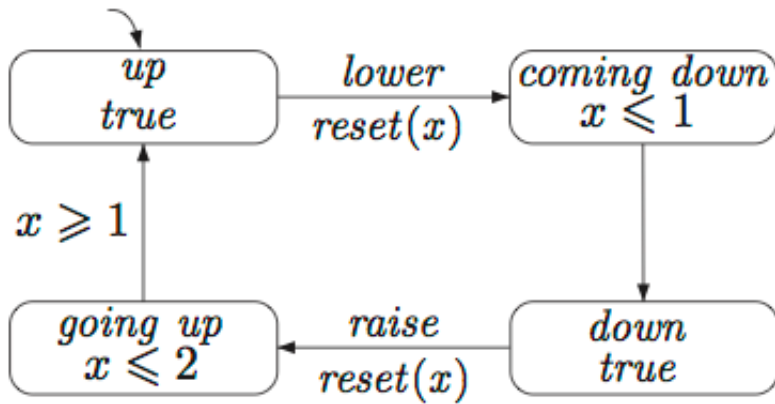
$Inv : Loc \rightarrow CC :=$ finite sets of **clock constraints**

$$x \sim k \text{ where } \begin{array}{l} x \in C \\ k \in \mathbb{N} \\ \sim \in \{<, \leq, =, >, \geq\} \end{array}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \subseteq Loc \times CC \times Act \times 2^C \times Loc$$

View $(\ell, g, \alpha, X, \ell') \in \hookrightarrow$ as an arrow from ℓ to ℓ' labeled by a **guard** $g \in CC$, an action $\alpha \in Act$ and a set of clocks $X \subseteq C$ that are **reset**.

Timed automata: example

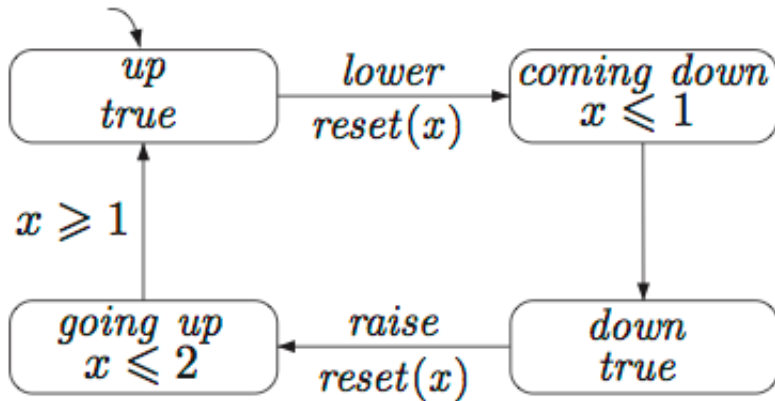


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- η satisfies g (ie. $\eta(x) \sim k$ for all $x \sim k \in g$)
- $\eta'(x) = \begin{cases} \eta(x) & x \notin X \\ 0 & x \in X \end{cases}$
- η' satisfies $Inv(\ell')$

delay transitions $\langle \ell, \eta \rangle \xrightarrow{d} \langle \ell, \eta + d \rangle$ where $d \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ and

- $(\eta + d)(x) = \eta(x) + d$ for all $x \in C$
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Executing timed automata

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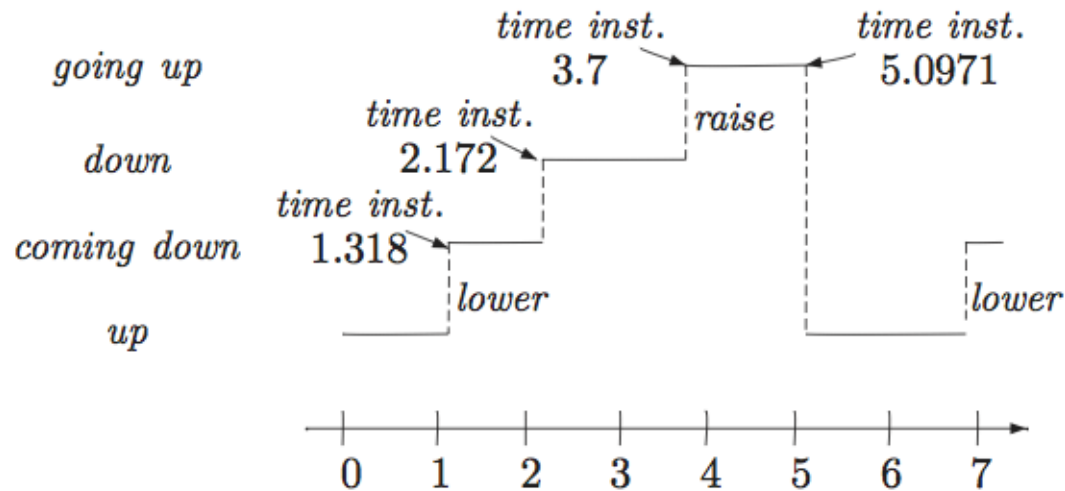
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E.g. above: $\langle \ell_1, \eta_1 \rangle$ is at time d_0 , and $\langle \ell_0, \eta_0 + d_0 \rangle$ too and before $\langle \ell_1, \eta_1 \rangle$.

Executing timed automata: example



write $\eta(x) \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ instead $\eta : \{x\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$:

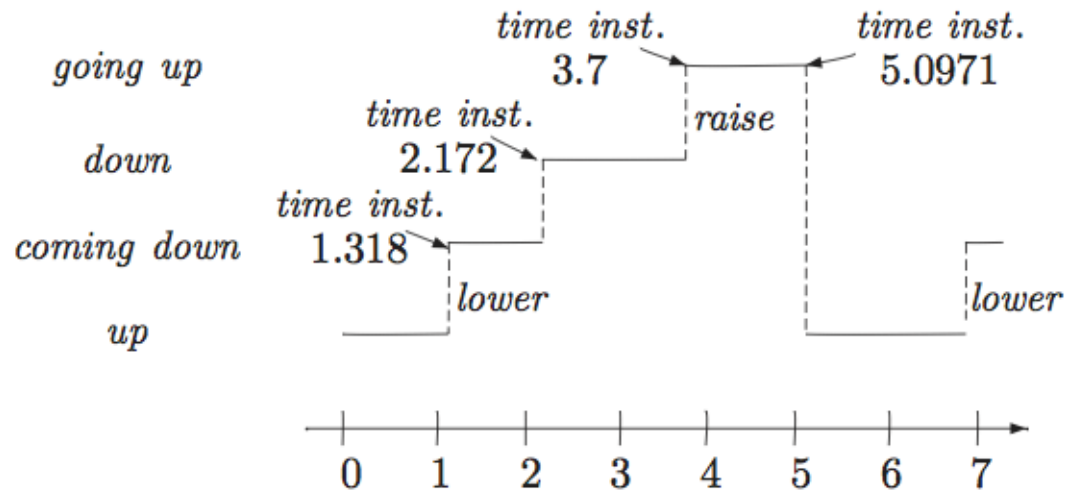
$\langle up, 1.318 \rangle$ at time 1.318

before $\langle comingdown, 0 \rangle$ at time 1.318

before $\langle comingdown, 0.002 \rangle$ at time 1.32

before $\langle goingup, 0.5 \rangle$ is at time 4.2

Executing timed automata: example



$$\langle up, 0 \rangle \xrightarrow{1.318} \langle up, 1.318 \rangle \xrightarrow{lower} \langle comingdown, 0 \rangle \xrightarrow{0.854} \langle comingdown, 0.854 \rangle$$

$$\xrightarrow{\tau} \langle down, 0.854 \rangle \xrightarrow{1.528} \langle down, 2.382 \rangle \xrightarrow{raise} \langle goingup, 0 \rangle \xrightarrow{1.3971} \langle goingup, 1.3971 \rangle$$

...

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Omit subscript $I = [0, \infty)$.

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Leads-to operator

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iff

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iff

for every relevant path π starting at $\langle \ell, \eta \rangle$ and every $t \in [0, \infty)$:

for every state $\langle \ell', \eta' \rangle \models \varphi$ at time t in π

there is a state $\langle \ell'', \eta'' \rangle \models \psi$ after $\langle \ell', \eta' \rangle$.

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Elimination of time constraints

Assume there is a clock $z \in C$ that is never reset and assume $\eta(z) = 0$.

$$\langle \ell, \eta \rangle \models \forall (p \ U_{[a,b]} \ q) \iff \langle \ell, \eta \rangle \models \forall ((p \vee q) \ U \ (z \geq a \wedge z < b \wedge q))$$

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Caution

trick useless for iterated modalities

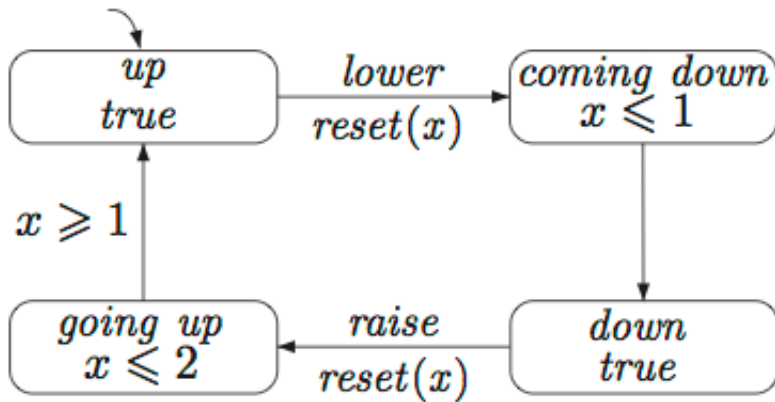
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supports

$$\forall \square \varphi, \quad \forall \diamond \varphi, \quad \exists \square \varphi, \quad \forall \diamond \varphi, \quad \varphi \rightsquigarrow \psi$$

for φ, ψ in propositional logic.

Timed computation tree logic: examples



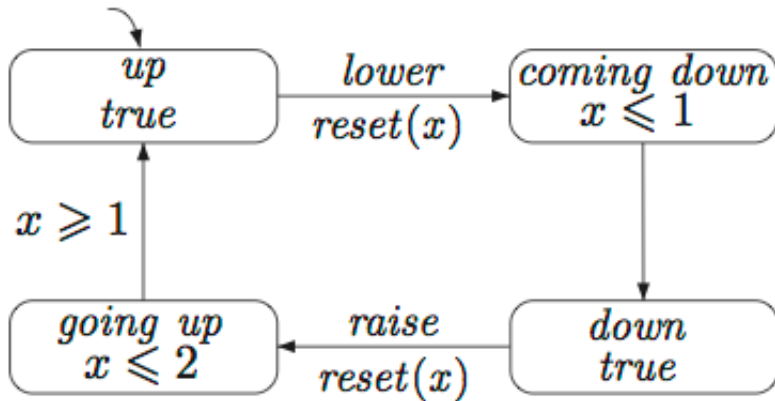
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Theorem (Alur, Courcoubetis, Dill 1990)

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is decidable in time

$$k^{O(c)} \cdot |\varphi| \cdot |\mathbb{A}|$$

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Otw order clocks $x_1 \leq \dots \leq x_c$ according $\langle \eta(x) \rangle$ (equivalently $\langle \eta'(x) \rangle$)

choose $i \leq c+1$ such that $+d$ moves $\eta(x_i), \dots, \eta(x_c)$ but not $\eta(x_1), \dots, \eta(x_{i-1})$
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Region transition system $\mathbb{R}(\mathbb{A}, k)$

states: $\langle \ell, [\eta] \rangle$ for a location ℓ and **region** $[\eta] := \{\eta' \mid \eta \approx \eta'\}$

initial states: $\langle \ell_0, [\eta_0] \rangle$ for a initial location ℓ and η_0 constantly 0

propositional variables: $AP \cup CC$

label of $\langle \ell, [\eta] \rangle$ is the label of $\langle \ell, \eta \rangle$ in $TS(\mathbb{A})$

actions: $Act \dot{\cup} \{\tau\}$

transitions:

$\langle \ell, [\eta] \rangle \xrightarrow{\alpha} \langle \ell', [\eta'] \rangle$ if $\langle \ell, \eta \rangle \xrightarrow{\alpha} \langle \ell', \eta' \rangle$ in $TS(\mathbb{A})$ and $\alpha \in Act$

$\langle \ell, [\eta] \rangle \xrightarrow{\tau} \langle \ell, [\eta'] \rangle$ if η' is the **successor** of η

both $\approx \eta_\infty :=$ constantly k , **or**, $\eta \not\approx \eta' \approx \eta + d$ for some $d \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ such that for all $d' < d$: $\eta + d' \in [\eta] \cup [\eta']$.

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Claim $\langle \ell, \eta \rangle$ reachable with $\eta(x_{\text{real}}) = 0$. Then $\langle \ell, \eta \rangle \models \psi$ iff there is a path

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for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

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$$a \leq \eta_n(x_{\text{real}}) < b$$

Then standard reachability algorithmics imply the theorem.

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