

Game-Theoretic Approach to Temporal Synthesis

Notable Cases of LTL_f Synthesis under LTL Specifications

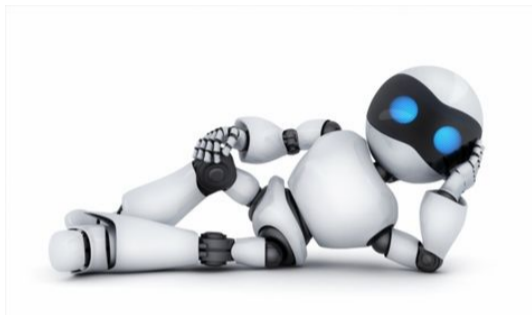
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- Two-player games, playing adversarially
 - Reachability, Safety, Büchi, Parity
- Temporal logic specifications
 - LTL, LTL_f , LDL_f



- Automata and temporal logics to automata
 - LTL_f and DFA, LTL and Büchi automata, parity automata
- Synthesis, automata-theoretic approaches to synthesis
 - LTL_f synthesis as reachability game on a DFA



- Markovian domain: planning domain, actions only depend on the current state
- Non-Markovian domain: actions also depend on history, safety properties
- Considering also liveness: Linear Temporal Logic (LTL)
- LTL_f synthesis under LTL environment specifications
 - Agent goal $LTL_f \varphi$, Environment specification $LTL \mathcal{E}$
 - Reduction to implication $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \varphi$
 - Two-stage technique, parity game



Notable cases of LTL_f synthesis under environment specifications

- Diminish the difficulty of constructing the arena from the environment specification
- No reduction to parity game
- Possibly no reduction to implication



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- How the environment changes with respect to agent actions
 - Whenever the robot **picks up** the block, the **block** is **in the robot's grasper**



- PDDL, planning domain

```
(:action pick-up
  :parameters (?block)
  :precondition (and (ontable ?block) (handempty))
  :effect
  (and (not (ontable ?block))
        (not (handempty))
        (holding ?block)))
```



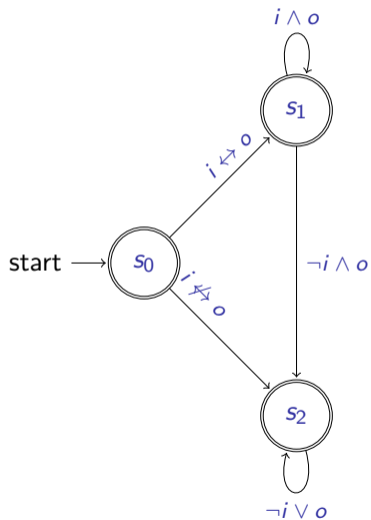

- Logic specification language
 - Safety fragment of LTL, disallowing \mathcal{U} operator
 - $G(Oblock_in_grasper \wedge O\neg block_on_table \leftrightarrow pick_up)$

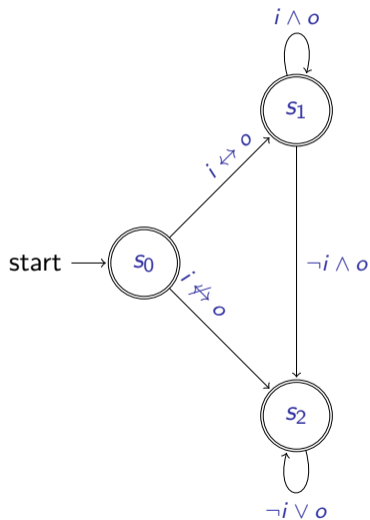


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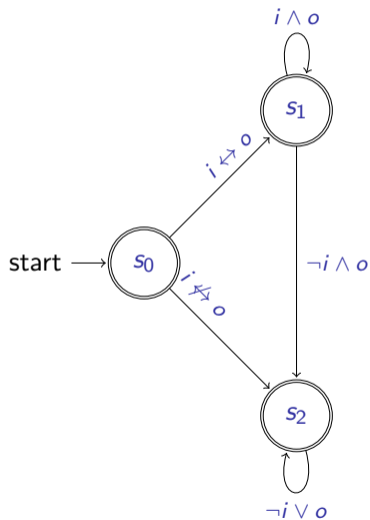


- Deterministic Safety Automata (DSA), tuple $\mathcal{D} = (2^{\mathcal{P}}, \mathcal{S}, s_0, \delta)$, where
 - $2^{\mathcal{P}}$ is the alphabet
 - \mathcal{S} is a finite set of states
 - s_0 is the initial state
 - $\delta : \mathcal{S} \times 2^{\mathcal{P}} \mapsto \mathcal{S}$ is the transition function



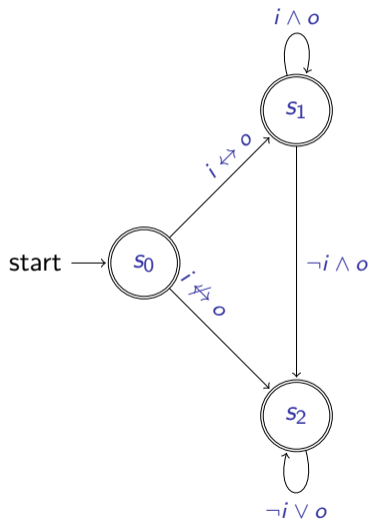


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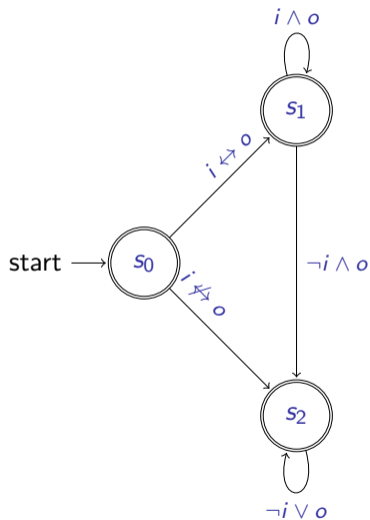


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$\pi \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D})$ if the run r of \mathcal{D} on π is infinite

Example: $\pi = (i \wedge o)^\omega$,
 $r = s_0(s_1)^\omega$



- Logic specification language
 - Safety fragment of LTL, disallowing \mathcal{U} operator
 - Restriction on writing formulas
 - LTL_f formulas, no restrictions on syntax, alternative semantics interpretation



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- once hold, **all** **finite** prefixes are good



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- specifications that hold for all **finite** prefixes of an infinite trace
- utilize LTL_f to specify expected property on **finite** traces



LTL_f to specify safety specifications

- Safety specifications: all finite prefixes of an infinite trace are “good”
- “good”: specified in LTL_f
- Alternative notion of satisfaction that interprets an LTL_f formula over all finite prefixes of an infinite trace



Definition

An infinite trace π satisfies an LTL_f formula φ on *all prefixes*, denoted $\pi \models_V \varphi$, if every non-empty finite prefix of π satisfies φ . That is, $\pi^k = \pi_1, \dots, \pi_k \models \varphi$, for every $1 \leq k \leq |\pi|$.¹

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Theorem

*Every first-order safety specification can be expressed as an LTL_f formula on all prefixes.*¹

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Reasoning on LTL_f specifying safety specifications as reasoning on automata

- **Given:** LTL_f formula φ specifying safety specifications
- **Obtain:** The corresponding DSA \mathcal{D} such that

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}) = \{\pi \mid \pi^k = \pi_1, \dots, \pi_k \models \varphi, \text{ for every } 1 \leq k \leq |\pi|\}$$



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(i) Construct the DFA $\mathcal{A} = (2^{\mathcal{P}}, \mathcal{S}, s_0, \delta, \mathcal{F})$ of φ

(ii) **Obtain** the DSA as $\mathcal{D} = (2^{\mathcal{P}}, \mathcal{S}', s_0, \delta')$

(a) remove all non-accepting states

(b) remove all the transitions leading to non-accepting states

– all prefixes should satisfy φ , the run goes through accepting states \mathcal{F}



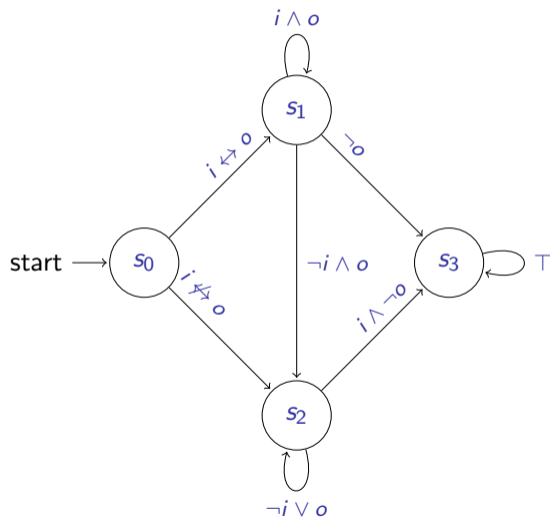
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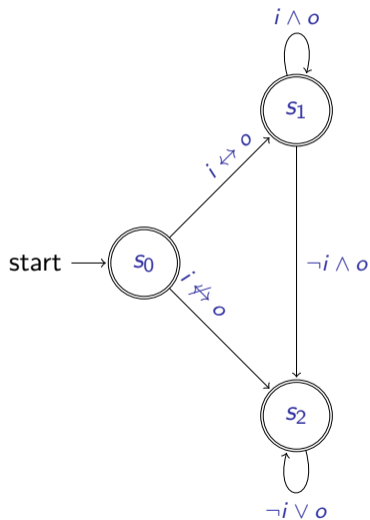
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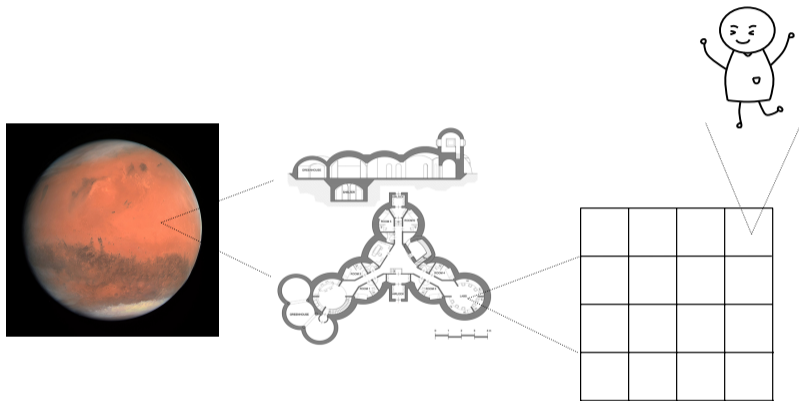
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$$- \mathcal{S}' = \mathcal{F}$$

$$- \delta'(s, \alpha) = \begin{cases} \delta(s, \alpha) & \text{if } s \in \mathcal{F} \\ \perp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



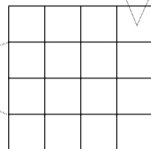
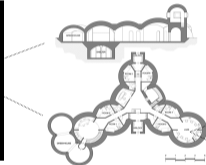
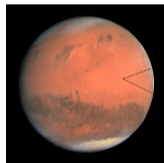




Mars image from ESA_OSIRIS, shelter image from “A Moon Base With Active Radiation Shielding” Caldera et al. 2018.

Environment: shelter

Agent: lab cleaning robot



The robot is sent to clean the dust in lab



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get_out, clean_dust



Essential fragments of the environment safety specification \mathcal{E}_S :

There is *Dust* in the lab, and the robot is inside

$$\neg RobotOut \wedge Dust$$

If robot *clean_dust*, then *Dust* is removed

$$\Box((clean_dust) \rightarrow (O(\neg RobotOut \wedge \neg Dust)))$$

If the robot moves out, then the robot is out

$$\Box(get_out \rightarrow ORobotOut)$$



Agent goal \mathcal{G} :

$$\diamond(RobotOut \wedge \neg Dust)$$

**Given:**

Environment safety specification \mathcal{E}_s

Agent goal φ

Obtain:

Agent strategy $\sigma_{ag} : (2^X)^+ \rightarrow 2^Y$

$$\forall \sigma_{env} \triangleright \mathcal{E}_s, \text{trace}(\sigma_{ag}, \sigma_{env})^k \models \varphi \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{N}.$$



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\Rightarrow Synthesis of LTL_f formula $(\neg \mathcal{E}_s \vee \varphi)$



Algorithm for LTL_f synthesis under Environment safety specifications

1. Given task φ (LTL_f), env safety specification \mathcal{E}_s (LTL_f)
2. Obtain LTL_f formula $\neg\mathcal{E}_s \vee \varphi$

Algorithm for LTL_f synthesis

1. Given LTL_f formula
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3. Synthesize winning strategy for reachability game (linear)
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LTL_f Synthesis Under Environment Safety and Fairness Specifications



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**Given:**

Environment safety specification \mathcal{E}_s , Environment fairness specification \mathcal{E}_f
Agent goal φ

Obtain:

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Environment

- Büchi condition and Safety condition

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- **Negate** Büchi-Safety condition

$$\mu \mathcal{Y}. (\nu \mathcal{Z}. \text{force}_{ag}(I \models \neg \alpha \vee \delta(s, I \cup O) \in (\mathcal{Y} \cup \bar{S})) \wedge \delta(s, I \cup O) \in (\mathcal{Z} \cup \bar{S})))$$

$\text{force}_e : \forall O \exists I$, $\text{force}_{ag} : \exists O \forall I$, $\bar{S} = \mathcal{F}$, accepting states of DFA \mathcal{A}_φ



Realizability

- $s_0 \in \mathcal{Y}_\infty$

Abstract strategy

- Assume $\mathcal{Z} = \mathcal{Y}_\infty$
- for $s \in \mathcal{Y}_{i+1} \setminus \mathcal{Y}_i$, set O to be

$$\forall I (\underline{I \models \neg \alpha \vee \delta(s, I \cup O) \in (\mathcal{Y}_i \cup \mathcal{F})} \wedge \underline{\delta(s, I \cup O) \in (\mathcal{Y}_\infty \cup \mathcal{F})})$$



LTL_f Synthesis Under Environment Safety and Fairness Specifications

1. Given task φ (LTL_f), env safety spec. \mathcal{E}_s (LTL_f), env fairness spec. \mathcal{E}_f (LTL)
2. Obtain new task $\varphi' = \neg\mathcal{E}_s \vee \varphi$ (LTL_f)
3. Compute corresponding DFA of φ' (double-exponential)
4. Synthesize winning strategy for **Neg** Büchi-Safety game (quadratic)
5. Return strategy

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$$\text{Safe}(S) = \nu \mathcal{Y}. (\text{force}_e(\delta(s, I \cup O) \in S \cap \mathcal{Y}))$$

$\text{force}_e : \forall O \exists I$, since agent moves first



Environment

- coBüchi condition and Safety condition

$$\text{coBuchi}(\alpha) = \mu\mathcal{Y}.\left(\nu\mathcal{Z}.\text{force}_e(\underline{I \models \alpha \vee \delta(s, I \cup O) \in \mathcal{Y}} \wedge \underline{\delta(s, I \cup O) \in \mathcal{Z}})\right)$$

$$\text{Safe}(S) = \nu\mathcal{Y}.\left(\text{force}_e(\delta(s, I \cup O) \in S \cap \mathcal{Y})\right)$$

- coBüchi-Safety condition $\text{coBuchi-Safe}(\alpha, S) =$

$$\mu\mathcal{Y}.\left(\nu\mathcal{Z}.\text{force}_e(\underline{I \models \alpha \vee \delta(s, I \cup O) \in (\mathcal{Y} \cap S)} \wedge \underline{\delta(s, I \cup O) \in (\mathcal{Z} \cap S)})\right)$$

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Environment

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Agent

- **Negate** coBüchi-Safety condition

$$\nu \mathcal{Y}. (\mu \mathcal{Z}. \text{force}_{ag}(I \models \neg \alpha \wedge \delta(s, I \cup O) \in (\mathcal{Y} \cup \bar{S}) \vee \delta(s, I \cup O) \in (\mathcal{Z} \cup \bar{S})))$$

$\text{force}_e : \forall O \exists I$, $\text{force}_{ag} : \exists O \forall I$, $\bar{S} = \mathcal{F}$ accepting states of $\mathcal{A}_{\varphi'}$



LTL_f Synthesis Under Environment Safety and Stability Specifications

1. Given task φ (LTL_f), env safety spec. \mathcal{E}_s (LTL_f), env stability spec. \mathcal{E}_{st} (LTL)
2. Obtain new task $\varphi' = \neg\mathcal{E}_s \vee \varphi$ (LTL_f)
3. Compute corresponding DFA of φ' (double-exponential)
4. Synthesize winning strategy for **Neg** coBüchi-Safety game (quadratic)
5. Return strategy

LTL_f Synthesis Under Environment Safety and GR(1) Specifications



Generalized Reactivity (1), GR(1)

- powerful notion of fairness specification

$$\mathcal{E}_{gr} = \bigwedge_{i=1}^m \square \diamond \mathcal{J}_i \rightarrow \bigwedge_{j=1}^n \square \diamond \mathcal{K}_j$$

\mathcal{J} and \mathcal{K} are propositional formulas on $\mathcal{I} \cup \mathcal{O}$

Recall: Simple fairness ($\square \diamond \alpha$) and stability ($\diamond \square \alpha$), α propositional formula over env vars \mathcal{I}



Environment Safety:

- Initial state



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- Environment change wrt agent actions *Dust*, *Robot_Out*



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Environment GR(1):

- $\square\diamond Robot_Wait \rightarrow \square\diamond\neg Dust$



Given:

Environment safety specification \mathcal{E}_s , Environment GR(1) specification \mathcal{E}_{gr}
Agent goal φ

Obtain:

Agent strategy $\sigma_{ag} : (2^X)^+ \rightarrow 2^Y$

$\forall \sigma_{env} \triangleright \mathcal{E}_s \wedge \mathcal{E}_{gr}, \text{trace}(\sigma_{ag}, \sigma_{env})^k \models \varphi$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$.



Agent task φ under Environment specification $\mathcal{E}_s \wedge \mathcal{E}_{gr}$

as

Implication $\Rightarrow \mathcal{E}_{gr} \rightarrow \varphi'$



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Environment: GR(1)-Safety

Agent: Negate “GR(1)-Safety”



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How to solve Negate “GR(1)-Safety”? 😞



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Implication $\Rightarrow \mathcal{E}_{gr} \rightarrow \varphi'$

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GR(1) game, novel approaches 😊



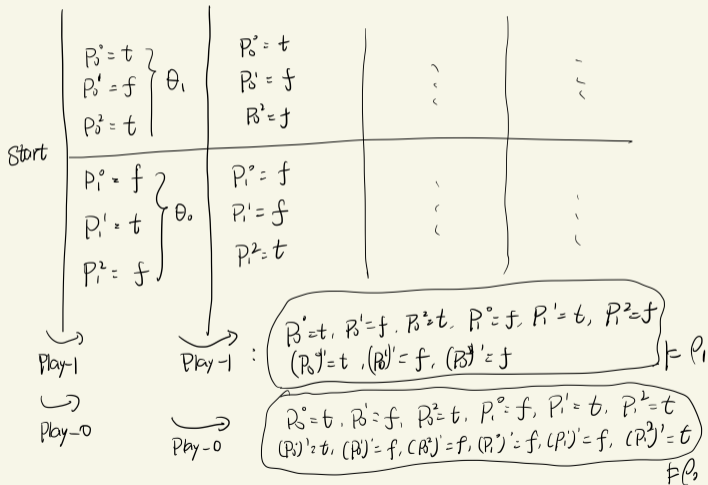
GR(1) game $\mathcal{G} = \langle \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{P}_0, \mathcal{P}_1, \theta_0, \theta_1, \rho_0, \rho_1, \psi \rangle$

- $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{P}_0 \cup \mathcal{P}_1$ state space
- θ_1 Boolean formula over \mathcal{P}_1 initial of Player-1, θ_0 Boolean formula over \mathcal{V} initial state of Player-0
- ρ_1 Boolean formula over $\mathcal{V} \cup \mathcal{P}'_1$ transitions of Player-1, ρ_0 Boolean formula over $\mathcal{V} \cup \mathcal{P}'_1 \cup \mathcal{P}'_0$ transitions of Player-0
- Winning condition GR(1) formula ψ

Player-1 wins by violating ψ , or Player-0 cannot continue;
Otherwise, Player-0 wins

$$P_0 = (P_0^0, P_0^1, P_0^2)$$

$$P_1 = (P_1^0, P_1^1, P_1^2)$$





- Advanced techniques to solve GR(1) game
- Efficient implementation reduces from cubic time to quadratic time $O(m \cdot n \cdot |N|^2)$

Utilize GR(1) game solver to deal with LTL_f synthesis under GR(1) specifications



$\mathcal{G} = \langle \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{P}_0, \mathcal{P}_1, \theta_0, \theta_1, \rho_0, \rho_1, \psi \rangle$ (Player-1 moves first)

- \mathcal{P}_0 of Player-0, \mathcal{P}_1 of Player-1
- ρ_0, ρ_1 encodes possible moves of both players
- Player-1 wins by violating ψ or Player-0 not being able to continue

Synthesis of implication $\Rightarrow \mathcal{E}_{gr} \rightarrow \varphi'$

- Agent wins by violating \mathcal{E}_{gr} , or visiting \mathcal{F} of $\mathcal{D}_{\varphi'}$



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Define GR(1) game $\mathcal{G} = \langle \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{P}_0, \mathcal{P}_1, \theta_0, \theta_1, \rho_0, \rho_1, \psi \rangle$

- $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{I} \cup \mathcal{O} \cup \mathcal{S}$, $\mathcal{P}_1 = \mathcal{O}$, and $\mathcal{P}_0 = \mathcal{I} \cup \mathcal{S}$
- $\theta_1 = \top$, and θ_0 formula satisfied by $V \in 2^{\mathcal{V}}$ iff $V|_{\mathcal{S}} = s_0$
- $\rho_1 = \top$, and ρ_0 formula satisfied by $(V \cup V') \in 2^{\mathcal{V} \cup \mathcal{V}'}$ iff $\delta(V|_{\mathcal{S}}, V'|_{\mathcal{I}' \cup \mathcal{O}'}) = V'|_{\mathcal{S}'}$ **and** $V'|_{\mathcal{S}'} \notin \mathcal{F}$
- $\psi = \mathcal{E}_{gr}$

DFA of φ' is $\mathcal{A}_{\varphi'} = (\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{O}, \mathcal{S}, s_0, \delta, \mathcal{F})$



Existing GR(1) game solvers²

- **Realizability**
- **Abstract strategy** for Player-1

²E.g., **Slugs** (<https://github.com/VerifiableRobotics/slugs>)



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2. Obtain new task $\varphi' = \neg\mathcal{E}_s \vee \varphi$ (LTL_f)
3. Compute corresponding DFA of φ' (double-exponential)
4. Construct GR(1) game (linear)
5. Synthesize winning strategy for Player-1 in GR(1) game (quadratic)
6. Return strategy

LTL_f Synthesis Under Environment Safety Specifications: No reduction to implication

**Given:**Environment safety specification \mathcal{E}_s Agent goal φ **Obtain:**Agent strategy $\sigma_{ag} : (2^X)^+ \rightarrow 2^Y$

$$\forall \sigma_{env} \triangleright \mathcal{E}_s, \text{trace}(\sigma_{ag}, \sigma_{env})^k \models \varphi \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Key step: How to abstract $\{\sigma_{env} \mid \sigma_{env} \triangleright \mathcal{E}_s\}$?



Definition

Let $\mathcal{P} = \langle \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}, \varphi \rangle$ be a synthesis problem, the maximally permissive strategy of φ is $\text{MaxSet}(\varphi) = \{\sigma_{ag} \mid \sigma_{ag} \triangleright \varphi\}$.³

³Zhu and De Giacomo: Synthesis of Maximally Permissive Strategies for LTL_f Specifications



- Deterministic: $\sigma : (2^{I \cup O})^* \times 2^I \rightarrow 2^O$, returns a single agent action
- Nondeterministic: $\Pi : (2^{I \cup O})^* \times 2^I \rightarrow 2^{2^O}$, returns a set of agent actions to choose from nondeterministically

Every nondeterministic strategy Π captures a set of deterministic strategies σ



Theorem

Safety specifications admit a nondeterministic strategy \sqcap that captures the maximally permissive strategy.⁴

Let's construct \sqcap_{env} that captures $\{\sigma_{env} \mid \sigma_{env} \triangleright \mathcal{E}_s\}$ 😊

⁴Bernet et al.: Permissive strategies: from parity games to safety games



- Construct the corresponding DSA $\mathcal{D} = (\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{O}, \mathcal{S}, s_0, \delta)$
- Solve a safety game on \mathcal{D} , considering the environment as Player-0
- Obtain the winning region **Win** of Player-0

Attention: Agent moves first here!



Π_{env} capturing $\{\sigma_{env} \mid \sigma_{env} \triangleright \mathcal{E}_s\}$, a transducer $\mathcal{T} = (\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{O}, \text{Win}, s_0, \varrho, \omega)$

- **Win**: Player-0 winning states
- $\omega : \text{Win} \times 2^{\mathcal{O}} \rightarrow 2^{(2^{\mathcal{I}})}$ is the output function such that

$$\omega(s, \mathcal{O}) = \begin{cases} \{I \mid \delta(s, I \cup \mathcal{O}) \in \text{Win}\} & \text{if } s \in \text{Win}, \\ \emptyset & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$
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Minimize \mathcal{T} to speed up the subsequent computation 😊



\mathcal{T} representing $\sigma_{env} \triangleright \mathcal{E}_s$, and agent goal φ

Agent strategy $\sigma_{ag} : (2^X)^+ \rightarrow 2^Y$

$$\forall \sigma_{env} \triangleright \mathcal{E}_s, \text{trace}(\sigma_{ag}, \sigma_{env})^k \models \varphi \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{N}.$$

- Intersection of \mathcal{T} and DFA \mathcal{A}_φ
- Reachability game



LTL_f Synthesis Under Environment Safety Specifications (Direct)

1. Given task φ (LTL_f), env safety spec. \mathcal{E}_s (LTL_f)
2. Construct DSA \mathcal{D} of \mathcal{E}_s (double-exponential)
3. Construct the MaxSet $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{E}_s}$ (linear)
4. Compute corresponding DFA \mathcal{A}_φ of φ (double-exponential)
5. Intersection of \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{A}_φ (poly)
6. Synthesize winning strategy for reachability game (linear)
7. Return strategy



- Notable cases of LTL_f synthesis under Environment specifications
 - Safety, Safety & Fairness, Safety & Stability, Safety & GR(1)

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Directions to explore:

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 - What about Fairness? Stability? GR(1)?

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