

# Lecture #7

Automata on Infinite Words

&  
Linear Temporal Logic  
(LTL)

$$A = (Q, q_0, \delta, F)$$

$$\delta \subseteq Q \times \Sigma \times Q.$$

Run of  $A$  on  $\alpha \in \Sigma^\omega$

$$\alpha = a_0 a_1 \dots$$

$$p = q_0 q_1 \dots$$

s.t.  $\forall i \quad q_i \xrightarrow{a_i} q_{i+1}$  in  $A$ .

$p$  is accepting if  $\text{inf}(p) \cap F \neq \emptyset$   
 $\alpha$  is accepted by  $A$  if there is some acc run on  $\alpha$ .

The language accepted by  $A$ ,

$$L(A) = \{ \alpha \in \Sigma^{\omega} \mid \alpha \text{ is accepted by } A \}$$

Def.  $L \subseteq \Sigma^{\omega}$  is  $\omega$ -regular if there is some Büchi automaton that accepts  $L$ .

## Language-theoretic properties of $\omega$ -regular languages

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$L_1 \cup L_2$  : Closed under union.  
(construction is similar to  
NFA unions)

$L_1 \cap L_2$  : Closed under intersection.  
Keep track of boolean  
counter.

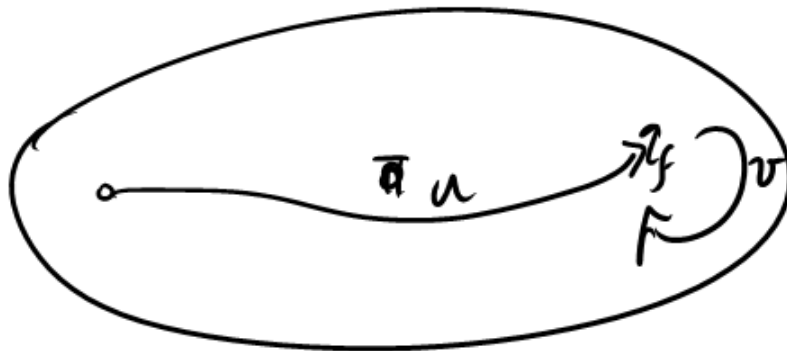
Complement . (Büchi '69)

If  $L$  is  $\omega$ -regular, then

$\bar{L} = \Sigma^\omega \setminus L$  is  
also  $\omega$ -regular.

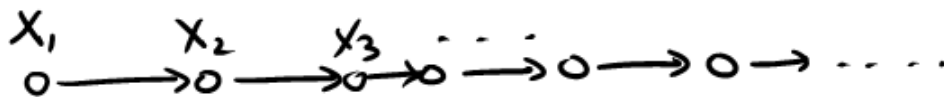
Emptiness of Buchi automata is  
decidable

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$uv^w \in L(A)$   
Emptiness decidable in linear time.

# Linear Temporal Logic



$(\mathbb{N}, \text{succ})$

$x_i \in AP$

$AP$  - some finite set.

$LTL_{AP} : P \mid \neg \alpha \mid \alpha \vee \beta \mid X \alpha \mid$   
 $PEAP \quad F \alpha \mid G \alpha \mid \alpha \vee \beta$

$LTL_{AP} = p | \alpha \vee \beta | \neg \alpha | X\alpha | F\alpha | G\alpha | \alpha \vee \beta .$

Semantics  $\sigma \in (2^{AP})^\omega$   $\begin{array}{c} x_1 \quad x_2 \quad \dots \\ \hline x_i \in AP \end{array}$

$\sigma, i \models p$  iff  $\sigma[i] \ni p$

$\sigma, i \models \alpha \vee \beta$  iff  $\sigma[i] \models \alpha$  or  $\sigma[i] \models \beta$

$\sigma, i \models \neg \alpha$  iff  $\sigma[i] \not\models \alpha$

$\sigma, i \models X\alpha$  iff  $\sigma[i+1] \models \alpha$



$\sigma, i \models \alpha$  iff  $\forall j \geq i. \sigma, j \models \alpha$

$\sigma, i \models \alpha \cup \beta$  iff  $\exists j \geq i.$

( $\sigma, j \models \beta$  and

$\forall k: (i \leq k < j)$

$\sigma, k \models \alpha$ )

Every req. is followed by a grant

eventually grant :  $F \text{ grant}$

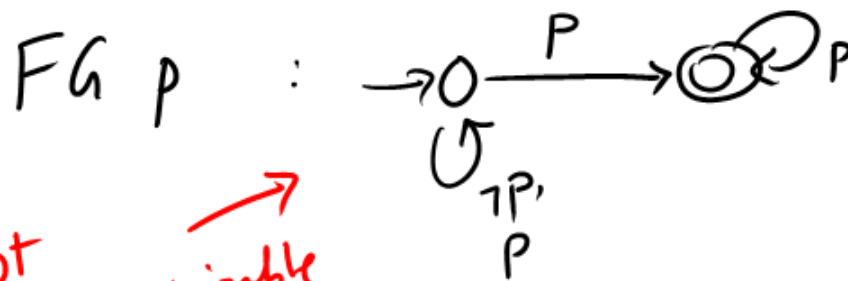
$G (\text{request} \Rightarrow (F \text{ grant}))$

Grant happens infinitely often

$G F \text{ grant}$

$F G \alpha \equiv \alpha$  is eventually an invariant.

Finitely often  $\alpha$  holds  $FG \neg \alpha$



Not  
determinizable  
Büchi

Next class .

LTL  $\longrightarrow$  Büchi automata.

$\varphi$   $\xrightarrow{\text{Vardi-Wolper}}$   $A_\varphi$

$$|A_\varphi| = 2^{o(|\varphi|)} .$$