

# Automata, Games & Verification

Summary #10

Today at 4:15pm in SR 014

**Games in Verification and Synthesis**

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(*Counterexample-guided control* postponed until next week)

## Games

**Definition 1.** A *game arena* is a triple  $\mathcal{A} = (V_0, V_1, E)$ , where

- $V_0$  and  $V_1$  are disjoint sets of positions, called the positions of player 0 and 1,
- $E \subseteq V \times V$  for set  $V = V_0 \uplus V_1$  of game positions,
- every position  $p \in V$  has at least one outgoing edge  $(p, p') \in E$ .

**Definition 2.**

- A *reachability game*  $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{A}, R)$  consists of a game arena and a winning set of positions  $R \subseteq V$ . Player 0 wins a play  $\pi = p_0 p_1 \dots$  if  $p_i \in R$  for some  $i \in \omega$ , otherwise Player 1 wins.
- A *Büchi game*  $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{A}, F)$  consists of an arena  $\mathcal{A}$  and a set  $F \subseteq V$ . Player 0 wins a play  $\pi$  if  $\text{In}(\pi) \cap F \neq \emptyset$ , otherwise Player 1 wins.
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**Definition 3.** A *play* is an infinite sequence  $\pi = p_0 p_1 p_2 \dots \in V^\omega$  such that  $\forall i \in \omega . (p_i, p_{i+1}) \in E$ .

**Definition 4.** A *strategy* for player  $\sigma$  is a function  $f_\sigma : V^* \cdot V_\sigma \rightarrow V$  s.t.  $(p, p') \in E$  whenever  $f(u \cdot p) = p'$ .

**Definition 5.** A play  $\pi = p_0, p_1, \dots$  *conforms to* strategy  $f_\sigma$  of player  $\sigma$  if  $\forall i \in \omega .$  if  $p_i \in V_\sigma$  then  $p_{i+1} = f_\sigma(p_0, \dots, p_i)$ .

**Definition 6.**

- A strategy  $f_\sigma$  is *p-winning* for player  $\sigma$  and position  $p$  if all plays that conform to  $f_\sigma$  and that start in  $p$  are won by Player  $\sigma$ .
- The *winning region* for player  $\sigma$  is the set of positions
$$W_\sigma = \{p \in V \mid \text{there is a strategy } f_\sigma \text{ s.t. } f_\sigma \text{ is } p\text{-winning}\}.$$

**Definition 7.** A game is *determined* if  $V = W_0 \cup W_1$ .

**Definition 8.**

- A *memoryless* strategy for player  $\sigma$  is a function  $f_\sigma : V_\sigma \rightarrow V$  which defines a strategy  $f'_\sigma(u \cdot v) = f_\sigma(v)$ .
- A game is *memoryless determined* if for every position some player wins the game with memoryless strategy.

# Solving Reachability Games

Attractor construction:

$$\text{Attr}_\sigma^0(X) = \emptyset;$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Attr}_\sigma^{i+1}(X) = & \text{Attr}_\sigma^i(X) \\ & \cup \{p \in V_\sigma \mid \exists p' . (p, p') \in E \wedge p' \in \text{Attr}_\sigma^i(X) \cup X\} \\ & \cup \{p \in V_{1-\sigma} \mid \forall p' . (p, p') \in E \Rightarrow p' \in \text{Attr}_\sigma^i(X) \cup X\}; \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Attr}_\sigma^+(X) = \bigcup_{i \in \omega} \text{Attr}_\sigma^i(X).$$

$$\text{Attr}_\sigma(X) = \text{Attr}_\sigma^+(X) \cup X$$

## Attractor strategy:

- Fix an arbitrary total ordering on  $V$ .
- for  $p \in V_0$  we define  $f_0(p)$ :
  - if  $p \in Attr_0^i(R)$  for some smallest  $i > 0$ ,  
choose the minimal  $p' \in Attr_0^{i-1}(R) \cup R$ .
  - otherwise, choose the minimal  $p' \in V$  such that  $(p, p') \in E$ .

## Solving Büchi Games

Recurrence construction:

$$\text{Recur}_\sigma^0 = F;$$

$$\text{Recur}_\sigma^{i+1} = F \cap \text{Attr}_\sigma^+(\text{Recur}_\sigma^i);$$

$$\text{Recur}_\sigma = \bigcap_{i \in \omega} \text{Recur}_\sigma^i.$$

**Theorem 1.** *Reachability and Büchi games are memoryless determined.*