

Problem Sheet 8: Model Checking Sample Solutions

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1 Evaluating LTL Formulae on Automata

- i. Yes: whenever **start** occurs, **stop** must occur eventually since it is the only means of getting to the accepting state.
- ii. No: a counterexample is **pull push**.
- iii. Yes: the formula asserts that from every position in a word (if there are any), eventually either **turn_off** or **push** will occur. One of these events must occur to return to the accepting state.
- iv. No: the empty word is a counterexample ($\Diamond p$ demands the existence of a future position in the word for which p holds — the empty word cannot possibly satisfy it as it has no positions).
- v. Yes: if the word is empty, then it will satisfy the first disjunct (“always false” holds simply because there are no positions in the empty word to check against); if the word is non-empty, the final position in the word must be **turn_off** or **push**, and hence the second disjunct will be satisfied.
- vi. No: a counterexample is the empty word; or **turn_on turn_off**.

2 Equivalence of LTL Formulae

i.

$$\begin{aligned} & w, i \models \text{true} \cup F \\ \text{iff} \quad & \text{for some } i \leq j \leq n \text{ we have } w, j \models F \\ & \text{and for all } i \leq k < j \text{ we have } w, k \models \text{true} \quad \quad \quad [\text{definition of until}] \\ \text{iff} \quad & \text{for some } i \leq j \leq n \text{ we have } w, j \models F \quad \quad \quad [\text{semantics of true}] \end{aligned}$$

ii.

$$\begin{aligned} & w, i \models \neg \Diamond \neg F \\ \text{iff} \quad & w, i \not\models \Diamond \neg F \quad \quad \quad [\text{definition of not}] \\ \text{iff} \quad & \text{it is not the case that for some } i \leq j \leq n \text{ we have } w, j \models \neg F \quad \quad \quad [\text{semantics of eventually}] \\ \text{iff} \quad & \text{for all } i \leq j \leq n \text{ it is not the case that } w, j \models \neg F \quad \quad \quad [\text{semantics of quantifiers}] \\ \text{iff} \quad & \text{for all } i \leq j \leq n \text{ it is not the case that } w, j \not\models F \quad \quad \quad [\text{semantics of negation}] \\ \text{iff} \quad & \text{for all } i \leq j \leq n, w, j \models F \quad \quad \quad [\text{simplify double negation}] \end{aligned}$$

iii.

$$w, i \models \Diamond\Diamond p$$

iff for some $i \leq j \leq n$ we have $w, j \models \Diamond p$ [semantics of eventually]

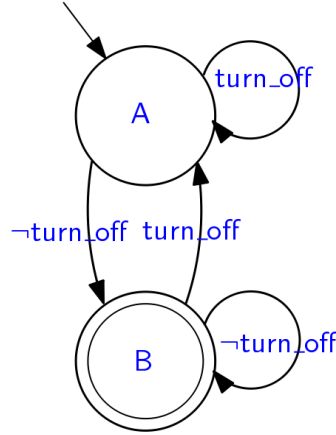
iff for some $i \leq j \leq h \leq n$ we have $w, h \models p$ [sem. eventually; merging intervals]

iff for some $i \leq h \leq n$ we have $w, h \models p$ [a fortiori]

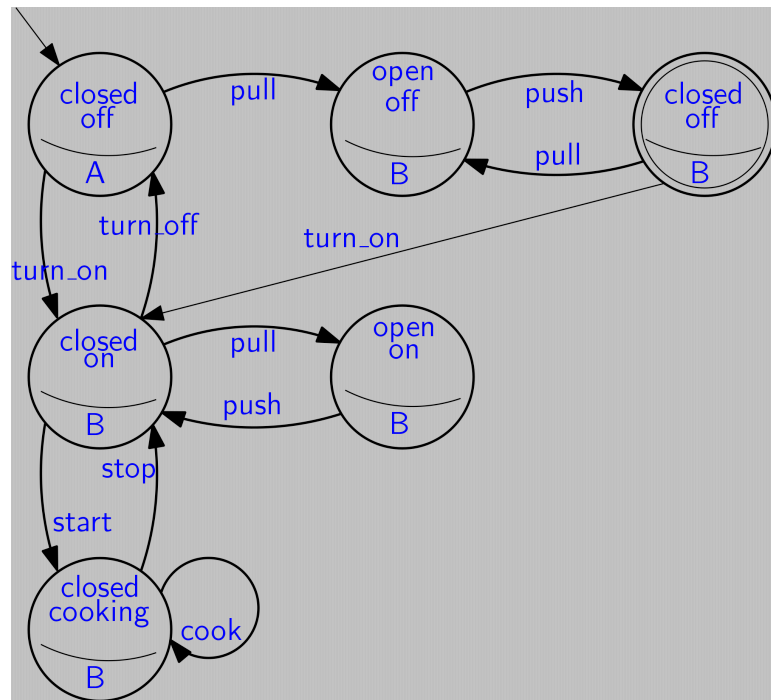
iff $w, i \models \Diamond p$ [semantics of eventually]

3 Automata-Based Model Checking

- i. The automaton we build from the temporal formula is the following.



- ii. The intersection automaton is the following:



- iii. Any accepting run is a counterexample to the LTL formula being a property of the microwave oven automaton. There are several, for example: pull push, pull push pull push, ...