

# Probabilistic Model Checking

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#### Course overview

- 2 sessions (Tue/Wed am):  $4 \times 1.5$  hour lectures
  - Introduction
  - 1 Discrete time Markov chains (DTMCs)
  - 2 Markov decision processes (MDPs)
  - 3 LTL model checking for DTMCs/MDPs
  - 4 Probabilistic timed automata (PTAs)
- For extended versions of this material
  - and an accompanying list of references
  - see: <a href="http://www.prismmodelchecker.org/lectures/">http://www.prismmodelchecker.org/lectures/</a>

# Probabilistic models

	Fully probabilistic	Nondeterministic
Discrete time	Discrete-time Markov chains (DTMCs)	Markov decision processes (MDPs) (probabilistic automata)
Continuous time	Continuous-time Markov chains (CTMCs)	Probabilistic timed automata (PTAs)
		CTMDPs/IMCs

# Part 3

LTL Model Checking for DTMCs and MDPs

#### Overview (Part 3)

- Linear temporal logic (LTL)
- Strongly connected components
- ω-automata (Büchi, Rabin)
- LTL model checking for DTMCs
- LTL model checking for MDPs

#### Limitations of PCTL

- PCTL, although useful in practice, has limited expressivity
  - essentially: probability of reaching states in X, passing only through states in Y (and within k time-steps)
- One useful approach: extend models with costs/rewards
  - see last two lectures
- Another direction: Use more expressive logics. e.g.:
  - LTL [Pnu77] (non-probabilistic) linear-time temporal logic
  - PCTL\* [ASB+95,BdA95] which subsumes both PCTL and LTL
  - both allow path operators to be combined
  - (in PCTL,  $P_{\sim p}$  [...] always contains a single temporal operator)

### LTL – Linear temporal logic

- LTL syntax (path formulae only)
  - $\psi ::= \text{true} | a | \psi \wedge \psi | \neg \psi | X \psi | \psi U \psi$
  - where  $a \in AP$  is an atomic proposition
  - usual equivalences hold:  $F \varphi \equiv \text{true } U \varphi$ ,  $G \varphi \equiv \neg (F \neg \varphi)$
- LTL semantics (for a path ω)

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-\omega \models true always
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$$-\omega \models a \Leftrightarrow a \in L(\omega(0))$$

$$-\ \omega \vDash \psi_1 \wedge \psi_2 \qquad \Leftrightarrow \ \omega \vDash \psi_1 \ \text{and} \ \omega \vDash \psi_2$$

$$-\omega \vDash \neg \psi \Leftrightarrow \omega \not\vDash \psi$$

$$-\omega \models X \psi \Leftrightarrow \omega[1...] \models \psi$$

$$- \ \omega \vDash \psi_1 \ U \ \psi_2 \qquad \Leftrightarrow \ \exists k \geq 0 \ \text{s.t.} \ \omega[k...] \vDash \psi_2 \ \land \forall i < k \ \omega[i...] \vDash \psi_1$$

where  $\omega(i)$  is  $i^{th}$  state of  $\omega$ , and  $\omega[i...]$  is suffix starting at  $\omega(i)$ 

# LTL examples

- (F tmp\_fail<sub>1</sub>) ∧ (F tmp\_fail<sub>2</sub>)
  - "both servers suffer temporary failures at some point"
- GF ready
  - "the server always eventually returns to a ready-state"
- FG error
  - "an irrecoverable error occurs"
- G (req  $\rightarrow$  X ack)
  - "requests are always immediately acknowledged"

#### LTL for DTMCs

- Same idea as PCTL: probabilities of sets of path formulae
  - for a state s of a DTMC and an LTL formula  $\psi$ :
  - $-\operatorname{Prob}(s, \psi) = \operatorname{Pr}_s \{ \omega \in \operatorname{Path}(s) \mid \omega \vDash \psi \}$
  - all such path sets are measurable [Var85]
- A (probabilistic) LTL specification often comprises an LTL (path) formula and a probability bound
  - e.g.  $P_{\geq 1}$  [ GF ready ] "with probability 1, the server always eventually returns to a ready-state"
  - e.g.  $P_{\leq 0.01}$  [ FG error ] "with probability at most 0.01, an irrecoverable error occurs"
- PCTL\* subsumes both LTL and PCTL
  - e.g.  $P_{>0.5}$  [ GF crit<sub>1</sub> ]  $\wedge$   $P_{>0.5}$  [ GF crit<sub>2</sub> ]

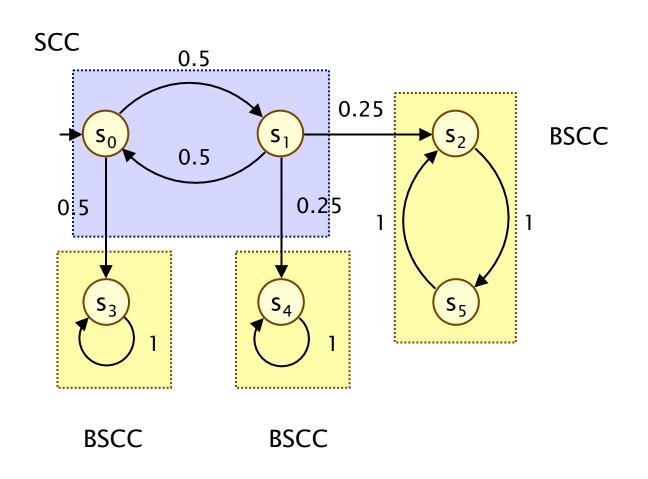
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### Strongly connected components

- Long-run properties of DTMCs rely on an analysis of their underlying graph structure (i.e. ignoring probabilities)
- Strongly connected set of states T
  - for any pair of states s and s' in T, there is a path from s to s', passing only through states in T
- Strongly connected component (SCC)
  - a maximally strongly connected set of states
     (i.e. no superset of it is also strongly connected)
- Bottom strongly connected component (BSCC)
  - an SCC T from which no state outside T is reachable from T

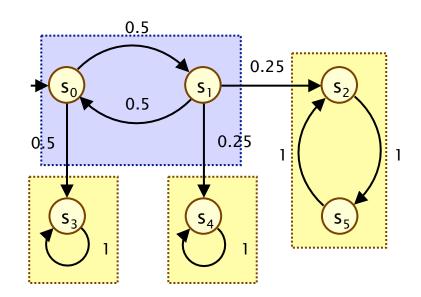
# Example – (B)SCCs



# Fundamental property of DTMCs

Fundamental property of (finite) DTMCs...

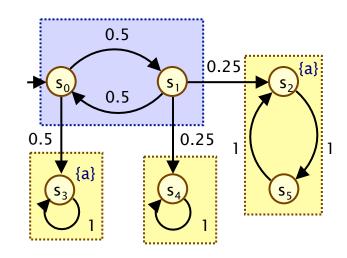
 With probability 1, a BSCC will be reached and all of its states visited infinitely often



- Formally:
  - $\begin{array}{l} -\Pr_s\{\; \omega \in Path(s) \mid \exists \; i \geq 0, \; \exists \; BSCC \; T \; such \; that \\ \forall \; j \geq i \; \omega(i) \in T \; and \\ \forall \; s' \in T \; \omega(k) = s' \; for \; infinitely \; many \; k \; \} \; = \; 1 \end{array}$

# LTL model checking for DTMCs

- LTL model checking for DTMCs relies on:
  - computing the probability Prob(s,  $\psi$ ) for LTL formula  $\psi$
  - reduces to probability of reaching a set of "accepting" BSCCs
  - 2 simple cases: GF a and FG a...
- Prob(s, GF a) = Prob(s,  $F T_{GFa}$ )
  - where  $T_{GFa}$  = union of all BSCCs containing some state satisfying a
- Prob(s, FG a) = Prob(s, F $T_{FGa}$ )
  - where T<sub>FGa</sub> = union of all BSCCs containing only a-states
- To extend this idea to arbitrary LTL formula, we use ω-automata...



#### Example:

Prob(s<sub>0</sub>, GF a)

=  $Prob(s_0, F T_{GFa})$ 

=  $Prob(s_0, F\{s_3, s_2, s_5\})$ 

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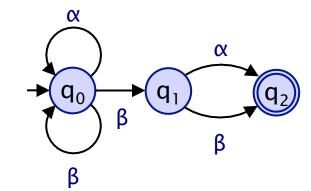
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#### Reminder - Finite automata

- A regular language over alphabet Σ
  - is a set of finite words  $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$  such that either:
  - -L = L(E) for some regular expression E
  - -L = L(A) for some nondeterministic finite automaton (NFA) A
  - -L = L(A) for some deterministic finite automaton (DFA) A
- Example:

Regexp: 
$$(\alpha + \beta)*\beta(\alpha + \beta)$$

NFA A:



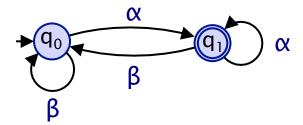
- NFAs and DFAs have the same expressive power
  - we can always determinise an NFA to an equivalent DFA
  - (with a possibly exponential blow-up in size)

#### Büchi automata

- $\omega$ -automata represent sets of infinite words  $L \subseteq \Sigma^{\omega}$ 
  - e.g. Büchi automata, Rabin automata, Streett, Muller, ...
- A nondeterministic Büchi automaton (NBA) is...
  - a tuple  $A = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, Q_0, F)$  where:
  - Q is a finite set of states
  - $-\Sigma$  is an alphabet
  - $-\delta: Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow 2^Q$  is a transition function
  - $Q_0 \subseteq Q$  is a set of initial states
  - $F \subseteq Q$  is a set of "accept" states

# Example: $words w \in \{\alpha, \beta\}^{\omega}$

words  $w \in \{\alpha, \beta\}^{\omega}$  with infinitely many  $\alpha$ 



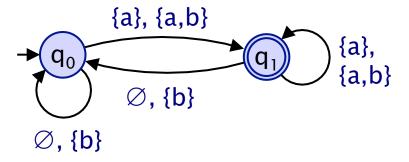
- NBA acceptance condition
  - language L(A) for A contains  $w \in \Sigma^{\omega}$  if there is a corresponding run in A that passes through states in F infinitely often

#### ω-regular properties

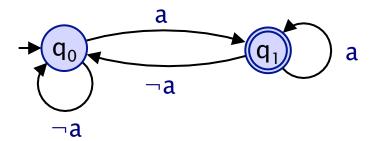
- Consider a model, i.e. an LTS/DTMC/MDP/...
  - for example: DTMC  $D = (S, s_{init}, P, Lab)$
  - where labelling Lab uses atomic propositions from set AP
- We can capture properties of these using  $\omega$ -automata
  - let  $\omega \in Path(s)$  be some infinite path in D
  - trace( $\omega$ )  $\in$  (2<sup>AP</sup>) $\omega$  denotes the projection of state labels of  $\omega$
  - i.e.  $trace(s_0s_1s_2s_3...) = Lab(s_0)Lab(s_1)Lab(s_2)Lab(s_3)...$
  - can specify a set of paths of D with an  $\omega$ -automata over  $2^{AP}$
- Let Prob<sup>D</sup>(s, A) denote the probability...
  - from state s in a discrete-time Markov chain D
  - of satisfying the property specified by automaton A
  - − i.e.  $Prob^{D}(s, A) = Pr^{D}_{s} \{ \omega \in Path(s) \mid trace(\omega) \in L(A) \}$

# Example

- Nondeterministic Büchi automaton
  - for LTL formula GF a, i.e. "infinitely often a"
  - for a DTMC with atomic propositions  $AP = \{a,b\}$



• We abbreviate this to just:

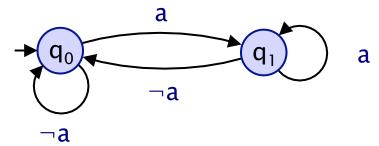


#### Büchi automata + LTL

- Nondeterministic Büchi automata (NBAs)
  - define the set of  $\omega$ -regular languages
- ω-regular languages are more expressive than LTL
  - can convert any LTL formula  $\psi$  over atomic propositions AP
  - into an equivalent NBA  $A_{\psi}$  over  $2^{AP}$
  - − i.e.  $ω ⊨ ψ \Leftrightarrow trace(ω) ∈ L(A_ω)$  for any path ω
  - for LTL-to-NBA translation, see e.g. [VW94], [DGV99], [BK08]
  - worst-case: exponential blow-up from  $|\psi|$  to  $|A_{\psi}|$
- But deterministic Büchi automata (DBAs) are less expressive
  - e.g. there is no DBA for the LTL formula FG a
  - for probabilistic model checking, need deterministic automata
  - so we use deterministic Rabin automata (DRAs)

#### Deterministic Rabin automata

- A deterministic Rabin automaton is a tuple (Q,  $\Sigma$ ,  $\delta$ , q<sub>0</sub>, Acc):
  - Q is a finite set of states,  $q_0 \in Q$  is an initial state
  - $\Sigma$  is an alphabet,  $\delta: \mathbb{Q} \times \Sigma \to \mathbb{Q}$  is a transition function
  - $-Acc = \{ (L_i, K_i) \}_{i=1..k} \subseteq 2^Q \times 2^Q \text{ is an acceptance condition }$
- A run of a word on a DRA is accepting iff:
  - for some pair  $(L_i, K_i)$ , the states in  $L_i$  are visited finitely often and (some of) the states in  $K_i$  are visited infinitely often
  - or in LTL:  $V_{1 \le i \le k}$  (FG  $\neg L_i \land GFK_i$ )
- Example: DRA for FG a
  - acceptance condition is  $Acc = \{ (\{q_0\}, \{q_1\}) \}$

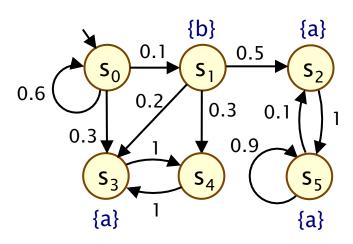


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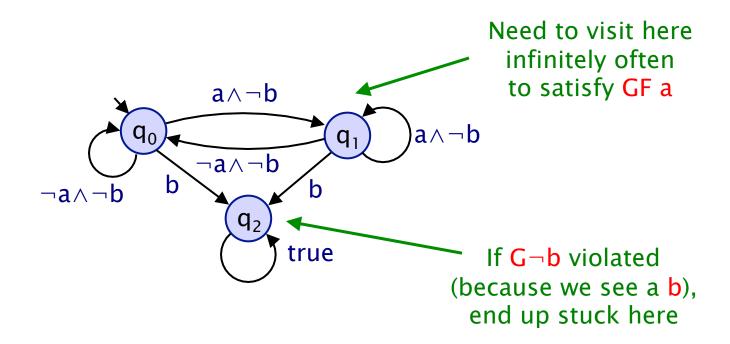
# LTL model checking for DTMCs

- LTL model checking for DTMC D and LTL formula ψ
- 1. Construct DRA  $A_{\psi}$  for  $\psi$
- 2. Construct product  $D \otimes A$  of DTMC D and DRA  $A_{\psi}$
- 3. Compute Prob<sup>D</sup>(s,  $\psi$ ) from DTMC D  $\otimes$  A
- Running example:
  - compute probability of satisfying LTL formula
     ψ = G¬b ∧ GF a on:



### Example – DRA

- DRA  $A_{\psi}$  for  $\psi = G \neg b \wedge GF$  a
  - acceptance condition is  $Acc = \{ (\{\},\{q_1\}) \}$
  - (i.e. this is actually a deterministic B\u00fcchi automaton)



#### Product DTMC for a DRA

- We construct the product DTMC
  - for DTMC D and DRA A, denoted D ⊗ A
  - D  $\otimes$  A can be seen as an unfolding of D with states (s,q), where q records state of automata A for path fragment so far
  - since A is deterministic, D ⊗ A is a also a DTMC
  - each path in D has a corresponding (unique) path in D 

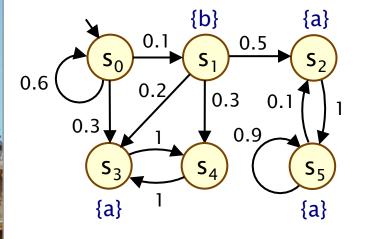
    A
  - the probabilities of paths in D are preserved in D 

    A
- Formally, for D =  $(S, s_{init}, P, L)$  and A =  $(Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, \{(L_i, K_i)\}_{i=1..k})$ 
  - D ⊗ A is the DTMC (S×Q, ( $s_{init}$ ,  $q_{init}$ ), P', L') where:

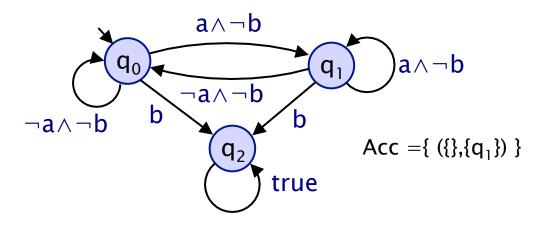
  - $$\begin{split} & \ q_{init} = \delta(q_0, L(s_{init})) \\ & \ P'((s_1, q_1), (s_2, q_2)) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} P(s_1, s_2) & if \ q_2 = \delta(q_1, L(s_2)) \\ 0 & otherwise \end{array} \right. \end{split}$$
  - $-I_i \in L'(s,q)$  if  $q \in L_i$  and  $k_i \in L'(s,q)$  if  $q \in K_i$

### Example - Product DTMC

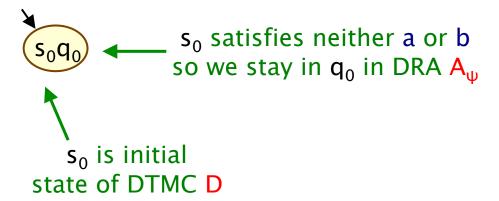
#### DTMC D



DRA  $A_{\psi}$  for  $\psi = G \neg b \wedge GF$  a

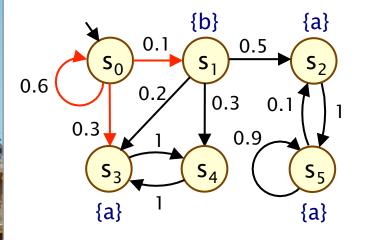


Product DTMC  $D \otimes A_{\psi}$ 

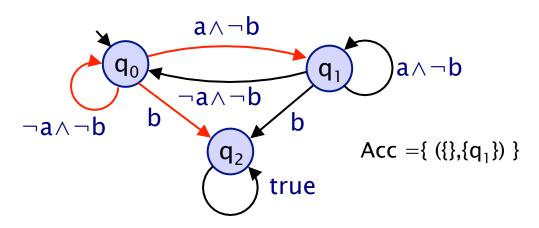


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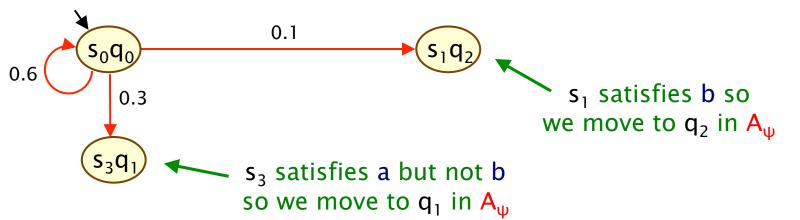
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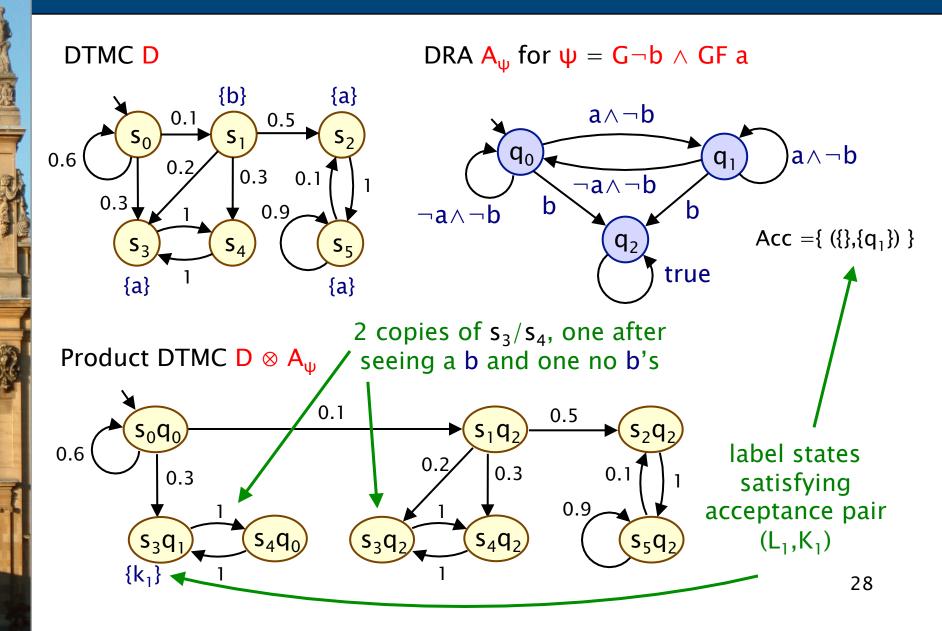
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#### Product DTMC D ⊗ A<sub>w</sub>



### Example - Product DTMC



#### Product DTMC for a DRA

For DTMC D and DRA A

$$Prob^{D}(s, A) = Prob^{D \otimes A}((s,q_s), \bigvee_{1 \leq i \leq k} (FG \neg I_i \land GF k_i)$$

- where  $q_s = \delta(q_0, L(s))$
- Hence:

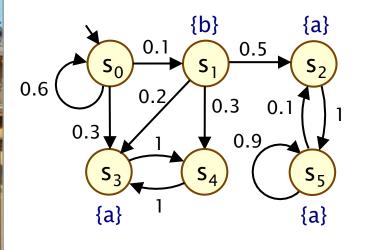
$$Prob^{D}(s, A) = Prob^{D\otimes A}((s,q_s), F T_{Acc})$$

- where  $T_{Acc}$  is the union of all accepting BSCCs in D $\otimes$ A
- an accepting BSCC T of D $\otimes$ A is such that, for some  $1 \le i \le k$ , no states in T satisfy  $l_i$  and some state in T satisfies  $k_i$
- Reduces to computing BSCCs and reachability probabilities

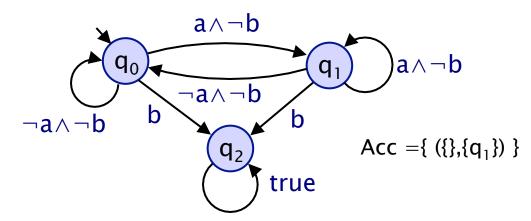
### Example: LTL for DTMCs

• Compute Prob( $s_0$ ,  $G \neg b \wedge GF$  a) for DTMC D:

#### DTMC D

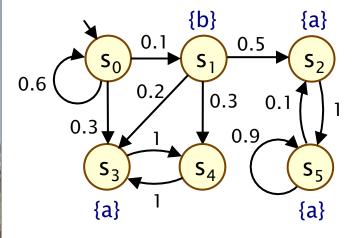


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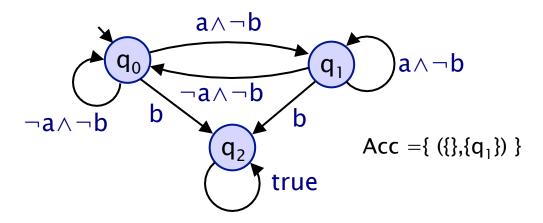


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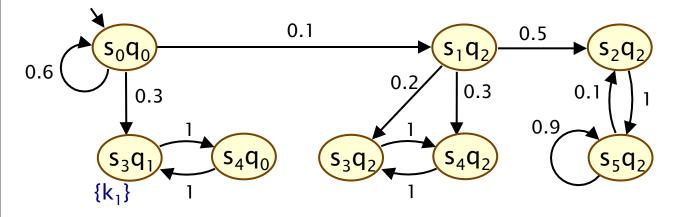
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DRA  $A_{\omega}$  for  $\psi = G \neg b \wedge GF$  a

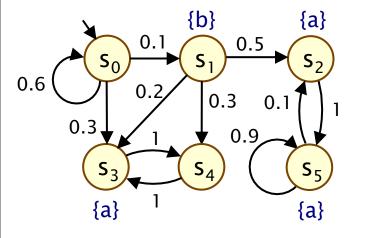


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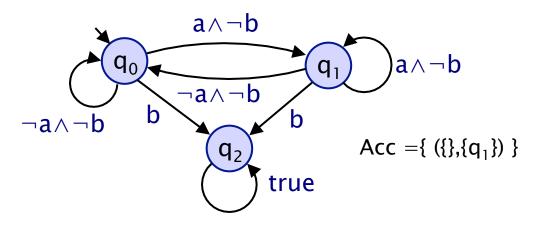


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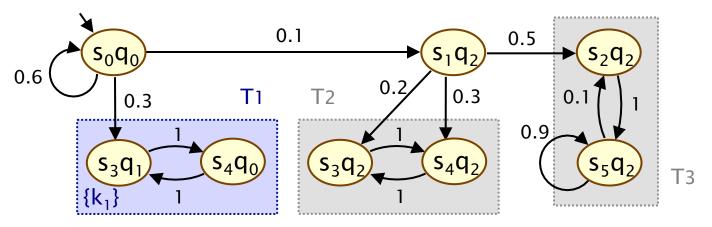


DRA  $A_{\psi}$  for  $\psi = G \neg b \wedge GF$  a



Product DTMC D ⊗ A<sub>ψ</sub>

$$Prob^{D}(s_0, \psi) = Prob^{D \otimes A \psi}(s_0q_0, FT_1) = 3/4$$



# Complexity of LTL model checking

- Complexity of model checking LTL formula ψ on DTMC D
  - is doubly exponential in  $|\psi|$  and polynomial in |D|
  - (for the algorithm presented in these lectures)
- Double exponential blow-up comes from use of DRAs
  - size of NBA can be exponential in  $|\psi|$
  - and DRA can be exponentially bigger than NBA
  - in practice, this does not occur and  $\psi$  is small anyway
- Polynomial-time operations required on product model
  - BSCC computation linear in (product) model size
  - probabilistic reachability cubic in (product) model size
- In total:  $O(poly(|D|, |A_{\psi}|))$
- Complexity can be reduced to single exponential in  $|\psi|$ 
  - see e.g. [CY88,CY95]

#### PCTL\* model checking

• PCTL\* syntax:

$$- \varphi ::= true | a | \varphi \wedge \varphi | \neg \varphi | P_{\sim p} [\psi]$$

$$- \psi ::= \varphi | \psi \wedge \psi | \neg \psi | X \psi | \psi U \psi$$

Example:

$$-P_{>p}$$
 [ GF ( send  $\rightarrow P_{>0}$  [ F ack ] ) ]

- PCTL\* model checking algorithm
  - bottom-up traversal of parse tree for formula (like PCTL)
  - to model check  $P_{\sim p}$  [  $\psi$  ]:
    - · replace maximal state subformulae with atomic propositions
    - (state subformulae already model checked recursively)
    - modified formula ψ is now an LTL formula
    - which can be model checked as for LTL

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### End components

• Consider an MDP  $M = (S, s_{init}, Steps, L)$ 

A sub-MDP of M is a pair (S',Steps') where:

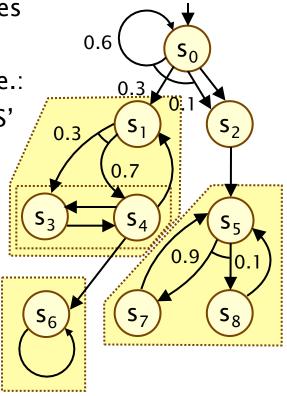
- S' ⊆ S is a (non-empty) subset of M's states

- Steps'(s) ⊆ Steps(s) for each s ∈ S'

– is closed under probabilistic branching, i.e.:

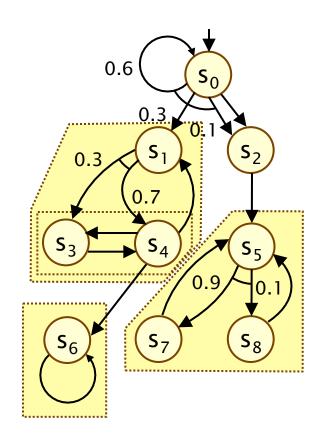
- { s'  $\mid \mu(s') > 0$  for some  $(a,\mu) \in Steps'(s)$  }  $\subseteq S'$ 

 An end component of M is a strongly connected sub-MDP



### End components

- For finite MDPs...
- For every end component, there
  is an adversary which,
  with probability 1, forces the MDP
  to remain in the end component
  and visit all its states infinitely often
- Under every adversary A, with probability 1 an end component will be reached and all of its states visited infinitely often



(analogue of fundamental property of finite DTMCs)

### Long-run properties of MDPs

#### Maximum probabilities

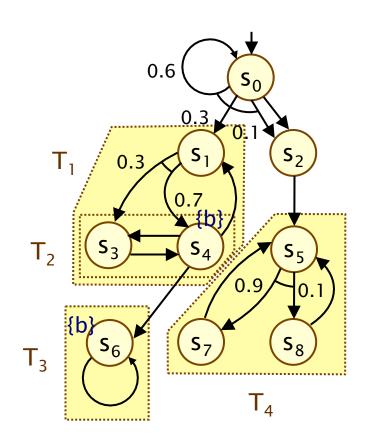
- $p_{max}(s, GF a) = p_{max}(s, F T_{GFa})$ 
  - where  $T_{GFa}$  is the union of sets T for all end components (T,Steps') with  $T \cap Sat(a) \neq \emptyset$
- $-p_{max}(s, FG a) = p_{max}(s, FT_{FGa})$ 
  - where  $T_{FGa}$  is the union of sets T for all end components (T,Steps') with  $T \subseteq Sat(a)$

#### Minimum probabilities

- need to compute from maximum probabilities...
- $-p_{min}(s, GFa) = 1 p_{max}(s, FG \neg a)$
- $-p_{min}(s, FG a) = 1 p_{max}(s, GF \neg a)$

### Example

- Model check: P<sub><0.8</sub> [ GF b ] for s<sub>0</sub>
- Compute p<sub>max</sub>(GF b)
  - $p_{max}(GF b) = p_{max}(s, F T_{GFb})$
  - $T_{GFb}$  is the union of sets T for all end components with T ∩ Sat(b)  $\neq \emptyset$
  - $Sat(b) = \{ s_4, s_6 \}$
  - $T_{GFb} = T_1 \cup T_2 \cup T_3 = \{ s_1, s_3, s_4, s_6 \}$
  - $p_{max}(s, F T_{GFb}) = 0.75$
  - $p_{max}(GF b) = 0.75$
- Result:  $s_0 = P_{<0.8}$  [ GF b ]



#### Automata-based properties for MDPs

- For an MDP M and automaton A over alphabet 2<sup>AP</sup>
  - consider probability of "satisfying" language  $L(A) \subseteq (2^{AP})^{\omega}$
  - − Prob<sup>M,adv</sup>(s, P) = Pr<sub>s</sub><sup>M,adv</sup> { ω ∈ Path<sup>M,adv</sup>(s) | trace(ω) ∈ L(A) }
  - $-p_{\text{max}}^{M}(s, A) = \sup_{\text{adv} \in Adv} \text{Prob}^{M,adv}(s, A)$
  - $-p_{min}^{M}(s, A) = inf_{adv \in Adv} Prob^{M,adv}(s, A)$
- Might need minimum or maximum probabilities
  - $-\text{ e.g. s} \models P_{\geq 0.99} [\psi_{qood}] \Leftrightarrow p_{min}^{M} (s, \psi_{qood}) \geq 0.99$
  - e.g.  $s \models P_{<0.05} [\psi_{bad}] \Leftrightarrow p_{max}^{M} (s, \psi_{bad}) \leq 0.05$
- But, ψ-regular properties are closed under negation
  - as are the automata that represent them
  - so can always consider maximum probabilities...
  - $-p_{\text{max}}^{M}(s, \psi_{\text{bad}}) \text{ or } 1 p_{\text{max}}^{M}(s, \neg \psi_{\text{good}})$

### LTL model checking for MDPs

- Model check LTL specification  $P_{\sim p}[\psi]$  against MDP M
- 1. Convert problem to one needing maximum probabilities
  - e.g. convert  $P_{>p}$  [  $\psi$  ] to  $P_{<1-p}$  [  $\neg\psi$  ]
- 2. Generate a DRA for  $\psi$  (or  $\neg \psi$ )
  - build nondeterministic Büchi automaton (NBA) for ψ [VW94]
  - convert the NBA to a DRA [Saf88]
- 3. Construct product MDP M⊗A
- 4. Identify accepting end components (ECs) of  $M \otimes A$
- 5. Compute max. probability of reaching accepting ECs
  - from all states of the D⊗A
- 6. Compare probability for  $(s, q_s)$  against p for each s

#### Product MDP for a DRA

- For an MDP M = (S, s<sub>init</sub>, Steps, L)
- and a (total) DRA  $A = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, Acc)$ 
  - where Acc = {  $(L_i, K_i) \mid 1 \le i \le k$  }
- The product MDP M ⊗ A is:
  - the MDP ( $S \times Q$ , ( $s_{init}$ ,  $q_{init}$ ), Steps', L') where:

$$\begin{split} &q_{init} = \delta(q_0, L(s_{init})) \\ &\textbf{Steps'}(s,q) = \{ \ \mu^q \mid \mu \in Step(s) \ \} \\ &\mu^q(s',q') = \begin{cases} \mu(s') & \text{if } q' = \delta(q,L(s)) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{split}$$

 $I_i \in L'(s,q)$  if  $q \in L_i$  and  $k_i \in L'(s,q)$  if  $q \in K_i$ (i.e. state sets of acceptance condition used as labels)

#### Product MDP for a DRA

For MDP M and DRA A

$$p_{\text{max}}^{M}(s, A) = p_{\text{max}}^{M \otimes A}((s,q_s), \bigvee_{1 \leq i \leq k} (FG \neg I_i \land GF k_i)$$

- where  $q_s = \delta(q_0, L(s))$
- Hence:

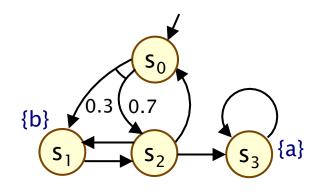
$$p_{max}^{M}(s, A) = p_{max}^{M \otimes A}((s,q_s), F T_{Acc})$$

- where  $T_{Acc}$  is the union of all sets T for accepting end components (T,Steps') in D $\otimes$ A
- an accepting end components is such that, for some  $1 \le i \le k$ :
  - $\cdot q \models \neg l_i \text{ for all } (s,q) \in T \text{ and } q \models k_i \text{ for some } (s,q) \in T$
  - i.e.  $T \cap (S \times L_i) = \emptyset$  and  $T \cap (S \times K_i) \neq \emptyset$

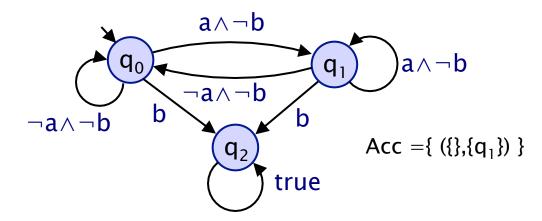
# Example: LTL for MDPs

- Model check  $P_{<0.8}$  [ G  $\neg b \land GF a$  ] for MDP M:
  - need to compute  $\underline{p}_{max}(s_0, G \neg b \wedge GF a)$

#### MDP M

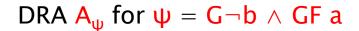


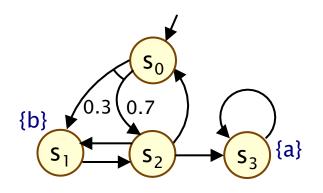
DRA  $A_{\omega}$  for  $\psi = G \neg b \wedge GF$  a

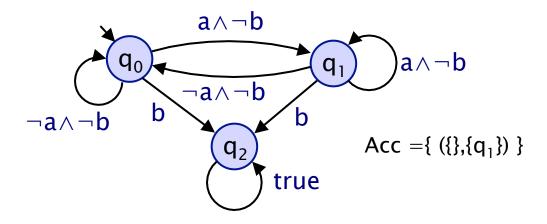


# Example: LTL for MDPs

MDP M

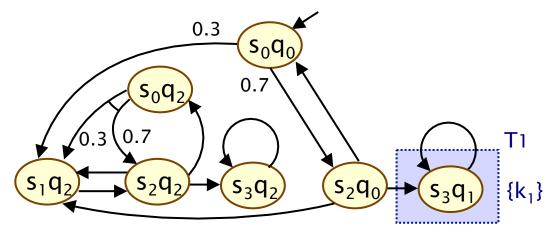






Product MDP M ⊗ A<sub>ψ</sub>

$$p_{\text{max}}^{M}(s_0, \psi) = p_{\text{max}}^{M \otimes A \psi}(s_0 q_0, F T_1) = 0.7$$



### LTL model checking for MDPs

- Complexity of model checking LTL formula ψ on MDP M
  - is doubly exponential in  $|\psi|$  and polynomial in |M|
  - unlike DTMCs, this cannot be improved upon
- PCTL\* model checking
  - LTL model checking can be adapted to PCTL\*, as for DTMCs
- Maximal end components
  - can optimise LTL model checking using maximal end components (there may be exponentially many ECs)
- Optimal adversaries for LTL formulae
  - e.g. memoryless adversary always exists for  $p_{max}(s, GF a)$ , but not for  $p_{max}(s, FG a)$

### Summary

- Linear temporal logic (LTL)
  - combines path operators; PCTL\* subsumes LTL and PCTL
- $\omega$ -automata: represent  $\omega$ -regular languages/properties
  - can translate any LTL formula into a Büchi automaton
  - for deterministic  $\omega$ -automata, we use Rabin automata
- Long-run properties of DTMCs
  - need bottom strongly connected components (BSCCs)
- LTL model checking for DTMCs
  - construct product of DTMC and Rabin automaton
  - identify accepting BSCCs, compute reachability probability
- LTL model checking for MDPs
  - MDP-DRA product, reachability of accepting end components
- Next: Probabilistic timed automata (PTAs)