

HW 5: Formal Specification & Verification; Symbolic Execution*Assigned: October 19, 2011**Due: November 2, 2011*

1. (30 points)

Consider an arbiter circuit, with two input request lines, r_0 and r_1 , and two output grant lines z_0 and z_1 . The outputs are stored in latches (flip-flops); the latched versions are g_0 and g_1 and form the state of the arbiter along with a single priority bit p which the arbiter uses to alternate its priority assignment between the two input ports in a fair way. Consider the FSM implementing this arbiter with the initial state of the machine, denoted by R_0 , and the next-state and output equations as given below:

$$\begin{aligned} R_0 &= p'g_0'g_1' \\ g_0^+ &= r_0(r_1' + p') \\ g_1^+ &= r_1(r_0' + p) \\ p^+ &= r_1'p + r_0p' \\ z_0 &= g_0 \\ z_1 &= g_1 \end{aligned}$$

As in the lecture slides, x' denotes the complement of x and x^+ denotes the next-state version of x . (Although we have indicated the outputs z_0 and z_1 above, they do not play a role in any of the questions below.)

- Write down the transition relation δ for this state machine (as a Boolean formula with AND, OR, NOT operators, indicating any simplification that you do) and write the equation expressing R_{k+1} in terms of R_k and δ .
- Perform reachability analysis for this state machine, computing R_1, R_2, \dots until termination. Write R_1, R_2 , etc. as Boolean formulas free of existential or universal quantifiers.
You must show all steps in deriving R_1 from R_0 (especially in eliminating the quantifier), but there is no need to show the details for deriving R_2, R_3 , etc. Indicate the final R_k . (There is no need to write Boolean formulas as BDDs, you can write any textual Boolean expression including a SOP representation.)
- Is there a reachable state in which $g_0 = 1$ AND $g_1 = 1$? Describe an algorithm to check for this automatically.

2. (30 points)

Express the following properties in linear temporal logic. Explain your answers.

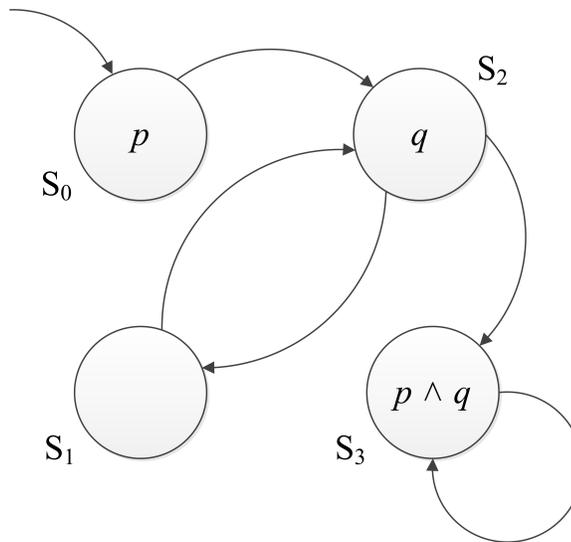
- (a) “Every request must be granted within at most 3 cycles (from the cycle in which the request is raised)”
Denote “request” by req , and the “grant” by gt .
- (b) “There are infinitely many transitions from $\neg p$ to p (and vice versa).”
- (c) “The transition from $\neg p$ to p happens at most once.”

3. (30 points)

Consider the Kripke structure M shown in the following figure. S_0 is the initial state. The states are already labeled by propositions that are true in those states. We want to check whether M satisfies the following CTL formula.

$$EF(A G(EG(p \vee q)))$$

Given only procedures `CheckEG` and `CheckEU`, describe how you can use them to check the CTL formula. Show the formulas that are satisfied at each state after each sub-formula is checked when model checking is done over the structure of the CTL formula. Does M satisfy the CTL formula?

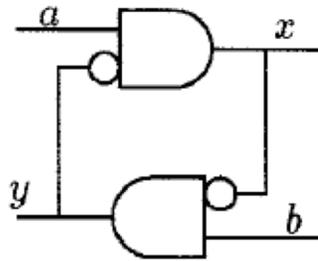


4. (10 points) Consider the following gate:



Give the characteristic functions for node c in terms of the characteristic functions for nodes a and b .

5. (30 points) The following circuit is studied by [1]:



The primary input is the tuple (a, b) . Perform the fixed-point iteration on characteristic functions to determine the characteristic functions of x and y (in terms of a and b). Show all your work.

6. (10 points) Use your result from Question 5 to determine what values of the inputs a and b make the circuit constructive. Show all your work.

References

- [1] Thomas R. Shiple, Gerard Berry, and Herve Touati. Constructive analysis of cyclic circuits. In *European conference on Design and Test (DATE)*, pages 328–333. IEEE Computer Society, 1996.