

Software Validation and Verification 10/12/2025 Exam

Notice: 32 points is the maximum (4 exercises are sufficient)

Recall: Write your name on every paper sheet

Exercise 1

[8 points]

Characterize each of the following properties as invariance, safety, liveness property, or none of these:

$$E_1 := \text{Word}(\Diamond a \wedge \Box(a \rightarrow \bigcirc a))$$

$$E_2 := \text{Word}((a \cup b) \wedge \Box(a \rightarrow \bigcirc \neg b))$$

$$E_3 := \{\sigma = A_0 A_1 A_2 A_3 \dots \mid \text{some } k > 0 \text{ exists such that, for all } i \geq 0, \text{ it holds that } A_{i \times k} = \{a\}\}$$

Exercise 2

[8 points]

For each of the following pairs of LTL formulas $\phi \text{ --- } \psi$ discuss whether ϕ subsumes ψ and vice-versa:

1. $a \cup \Diamond b \text{ --- } \Diamond b$
2. $\Diamond a \cup b \text{ --- } b \vee (\Diamond a \wedge \Diamond b)$
3. $\Diamond a \cup b \text{ --- } b \vee \Diamond((a \wedge \bigcirc b) \vee (b \wedge \Diamond a))$

Exercise 3

[8 points]

Given a transition system \mathcal{T} and a CTL fairness assumption $fair$, discuss the validity of the following statements:

1. If a_{fair} labels every node in \mathcal{T} , then, for every state s in \mathcal{T} and CTL formula Φ , it holds that

$$s \models_{fair} \Phi \text{ if and only if } s \models \Phi.$$

2. If for every state s in \mathcal{T} and CTL formula Φ , it holds that

$$s \models_{fair} \Phi \text{ if and only if } s \models \Phi,$$

then a_{fair} must label every node in \mathcal{T} .

Exercise 4

[8 points]

Let $\phi = (a \cup b) \cup (\neg \bigcirc a)$ be an LTL formula over $AP = \{a, b\}$.

1. Compute all elementary sets with respect to ϕ ;
2. Construct the GNBA \mathcal{G} such that $\mathcal{L}_\omega(\mathcal{G}) = \text{Word}(\phi)$ returned by the algorithm from the lecture.

Exercise 5

[8 points]

Consider the following transition system, the CTL formula Φ and the fairness assumption $fair$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi &= \exists((\forall \Box \neg d) \cup (\forall \Diamond \forall \Box \neg b)) \\ fair &= \Box \Diamond (a \wedge \exists \bigcirc b) \rightarrow \Box \Diamond b \\ &\quad \wedge \Box \Diamond a \end{aligned}$$

Compute $Sat_{fair}(\Phi)$ with the algorithm from the lecture.

