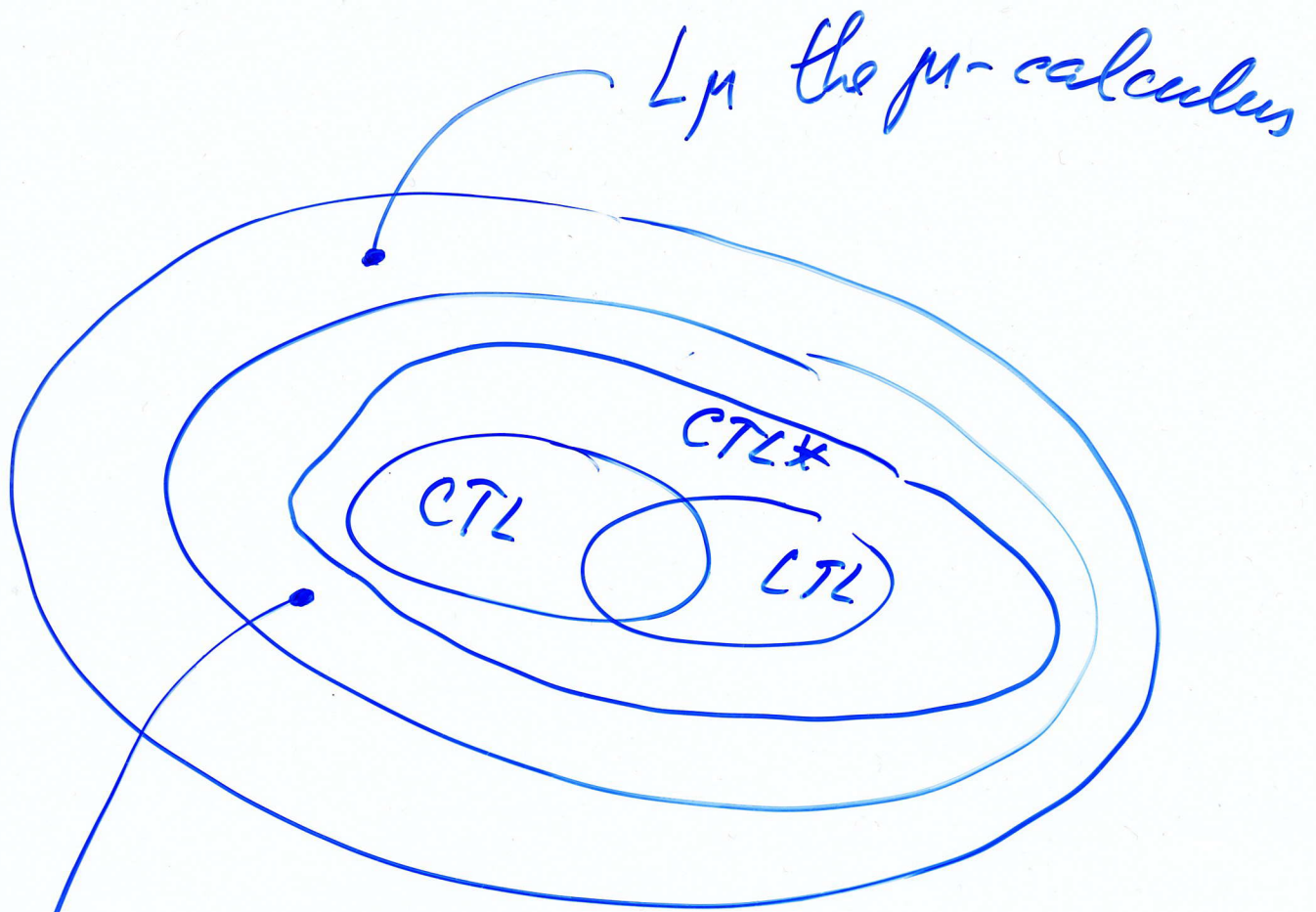




L_{μ_1}
the alternation-free
 μ -calculus

L_μ : have expressions for $lfp (= \mu)$
and $gfp (= \nu)$ in the language

A Relational mu-calculus

Recall: we need lfp and gfp operators to compute

$\llbracket EF\varphi \rrbracket$, $\llbracket EG\varphi \rrbracket$ etc.

$\Rightarrow$ introduce a general calculus to deal with fixpoints

Def: $v ::= x \mid \overline{z}$ bool vars

$f ::= 0 \mid 1 \mid v \mid \bar{f} \mid f_1 + f_2 \mid f_1 \cdot f_2 \mid f_1 \oplus f_2$

$\exists x. f \mid \forall x. f \mid \mu \overline{z}. f \mid \nu \overline{z}. f \mid f[\hat{x} := \hat{x}]$
mu nu

We require that z in f
occurs positively
(i.e., within an even # of $-$)
to ensure monotonicity.
(a sufficient cond.)

Convention on binding priorities:

" $-$ " and $[\hat{x} := \hat{x}']$ have
the highest priority

then $\exists x, \forall x$

then $\int z, \vee z$

then $\cdot$

then $+$ and $\oplus$

Def. a valuation ρ for f
is an assignment of
0 or 1 to all variables of f

Notation:

$\rho(v)$ - value of v under ρ

$\rho[v \mapsto 0]$
 $\rho[v \mapsto 1]$ } "updated" valuation
act just like ρ ,

but the value of v
is "updated" (to 0 or 1
respect.)

short notation for
valuation ρ

$$(x, y, z) \Rightarrow (1, 0, 1)$$

means $\rho(x) = 1$

$$\rho(y) = 0$$

$$\rho(z) = 1$$

and $\rho(v) = 0$ for all
other variables

We can update ρ , for example:

$$\rho[x \mapsto 0] \text{ is } (x, y, z) \Rightarrow (0, 0, 1)$$

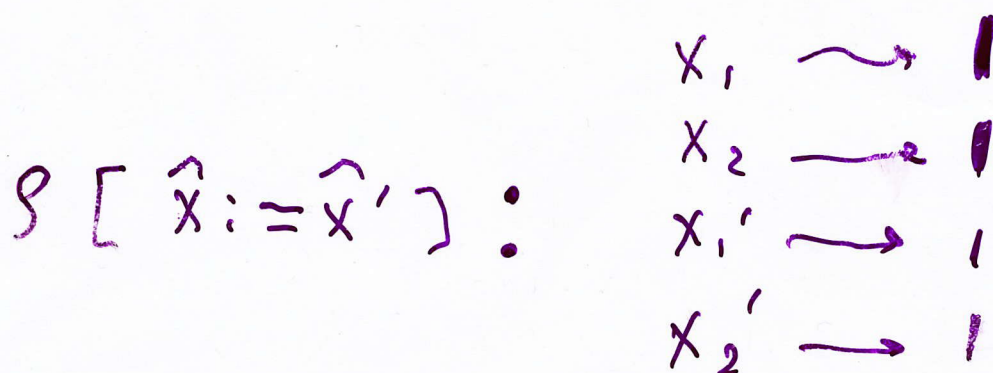
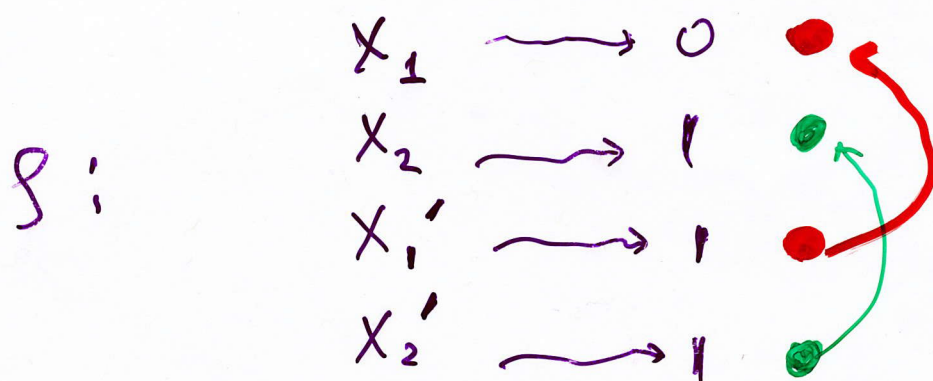
Def. ($P \models f$) without the fixpoint
subformulas for now

- $P \models 0$
- $P \models 1$
- $P \models v$ iff $P(v) = 1$
- $P \models \bar{f}$ iff $P \not\models f$
- $P \models f \cdot g$ iff $P \models f$ and $P \models g$
- $P \models f + g$ iff $P \models f$ or $P \models g$
- $P \models f \oplus g$ iff $P \models (f \cdot \bar{g} + \bar{f} \cdot g)$
- $P \models \exists x. f$ iff
 $P[x \mapsto 0] \models f \text{ or } P[x \mapsto 1] \models f$
- $P \models \forall x. f$ iff
 $P[x \mapsto 0] \models f \text{ and } P[x \mapsto 1] \models f$

• $\rho \models f[\hat{x} := \hat{x}']$ iff $\rho[\hat{x} := \hat{x}'] \models f$

same as ρ ,
but for each x_i ,
it assigns $\rho(x_i')$

(i.e. $\rho[x_i \rightarrow \rho(x_i')]$
for each x_i in $\hat{x}$)



Example: Let $\mathcal{P}(x'_1) = 0$
 $\mathcal{P}(x'_2) = 1$

Evaluate

$$\mathcal{P} \models (x_1 + \bar{x}_2) [\hat{x} := \hat{x}']$$



$$\mathcal{P} [\hat{x} := \hat{x}'] \models (x_1 + \bar{x}_2)$$

$$\mathcal{P} [x_1 \rightarrow \underbrace{\mathcal{P}(x'_1)}_0, x_2 \rightarrow \underbrace{\mathcal{P}(x'_2)}_1] \quad (*)$$

Answer : no

We could, instead of the
substitution *

continue on the structure
of the formula (function)



$$\rho [\hat{x} := \hat{x}'] \models x_1 \text{ or}$$

$$\rho [\hat{x} := \hat{x}'] \models \bar{x}_2$$



$$\rho [x_1 \rightarrow \underbrace{\rho(x_1')}_0] \models \overbrace{x_1}^0 \text{ or}$$

$$\rho [x_2 \rightarrow \rho(x_2')] \models \underbrace{\bar{x}_2}_0$$

false.

Extend $\models$ to fixpoint operators.

Construct sequence:

$M_0 Z. f, M_1 Z. f, \dots$

such that

$$M_0 Z. f \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 0$$

M_0 is
similar
to lfp

$$M_{m+1} Z. f \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} f [M_m Z. f / Z]$$

for $m > 0$

Substitute the result
of the previous step for Z
" " in f

(*)

use free occurrences of Z in f
(= not "bound" by λ, μ) another

Define :

$$P \models \mu Z. f \text{ iff}$$

$$P \models \mu_m Z. f \text{ for some } m$$

Strategy: find the smallest
such m .

Examples of substitution (*)

$$1) (x_1 + \exists x_2. (z \cdot x_2)) [\bar{x}_1 / z]$$

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$$x_1 + \exists x_2. (\bar{x}_1 \cdot x_2)$$

μz

$$2) (\mu z. x_1 + \underbrace{z}_{\text{free}}) \cdot (x_1 + \exists x_2. \underbrace{(z \cdot x_2)}_{\text{free in } f})$$

$[\bar{x}_1 / z]$

bounded
by μ

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$$(\mu z. x_1 + z) \cdot (x_1 + \exists x_2. (\bar{x}_1 \cdot x_2))$$

Determine: $\rho \models \mu Z. Z$?
 Example: ~~Show~~: $\rho \models \mu Z. Z$
 ρ is arbitrary

o) try $\rho \models \mu_0 Z. Z$

○ by def.

so $\rho \not\models \mu_0 Z. Z$

1) try $\rho \models \mu_1 Z. Z$

our function $\leftarrow Z [\mu_0 Z. Z / Z]$

$\mu_0 Z. Z$

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so $\rho \not\models \mu_1 Z. Z$

And so on.

In fact, $\mu_m z. z = \mu_0 z. z$

for all $m \geq 0$

So $f \neq \mu z. z$

Define $\rho \equiv \nu z. f$:

Define sequence

$\nu_0 z. f, \nu_1 z. f, \nu_2 z. f, \dots$ by

$$\nu_0 z. f \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 1$$

$$\nu_{m+1} z. f \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} f [\nu_m z. f / z], m \geq 0$$

Similar to μ , but start from 1

Define:

$$\rho \models \exists z. f \text{ iff } \rho \models \exists_m z. f \\ \text{for } \underline{\text{all}} \ m \geq 0$$

Analogy: $EG \varphi$
requires that φ is true
on all elements of
the path.

Intuitively,

$\mathcal{S} \models \mu z. f$ until and if

$\mathcal{S} \models \mu z. f$ is proven

$\mathcal{S} \models \nu z. f$ until and if

$\mathcal{S} \models \nu z. f$ is proven

Note: We do not discuss
more complex case of alternation
of μ and ν as in e.g.

$\nu z. f(z, \mu x. g(x, z))$

(mutual dependencies between ν and μ)