

CS477 Formal Software Dev Methods

Elsa L Gunter
 2112 SC, UIUC
 egunter@illinois.edu
<http://courses.engr.illinois.edu/cs477>

Slides based in part on previous lectures
 by Mahesh Vishwanathan, and by Gul Agha

April 10, 2020

Büchi Automaton

A **Büchi automaton** is a 5-tuple $A = (\Sigma, S, \Delta, I, F)$ such that

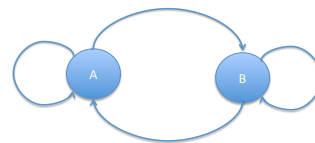
- Σ is a finite *alphabet*.
- S is a finite set of *states*.
- $\Delta \subseteq S \times S$ is the *transition relation*.
- $I \subseteq S$ are the *start states*.
- $L : S \rightarrow \Sigma$ is a *labeling* of the states.
- F is a set of sets of *accepting states* f where $f \in F \rightarrow f \subseteq S$.

Path in a Büchi Automaton

- Let $A = (\Sigma, S, \Delta, I, L, F)$ be a Büchi automaton
- A sequence $\rho : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow S$ is a **path** in A provided that
 - $\rho_0 \in I$
 - For all i , $(\rho_i, \rho_{i+1}) \in \Delta$.
- Let ρ be a path in A . Then $\text{inf}(\rho) = \{q \in S \mid |\{n \mid \rho_n = q\}| = \omega\}$.
- Path ρ is **accepted** if for all $f \in F$, $\text{inf}(\rho) \cap f \neq \emptyset$
- A **word** of A is a sequence $v : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \Sigma = \Sigma^\omega$ such that there exists a path $\rho \in S^\omega$ where for all i , $L(\rho_i) = v_i$.
- The **language** of A , $\mathcal{L}(A) = \{v \in \Sigma^\omega \mid v \text{ is a word of } A\}$.

Example Büchi 1

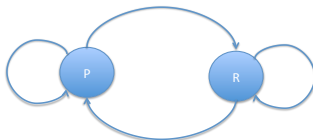
- $S = \{A, B\}$, $I = \{A\}$, $\Delta = \{(A,A), (A,B), (B,B), (B,A)\}$,
 $\Sigma = \{0,1\}$, $L(A) = 1$, $L(B) = 0$, $F_1 = \{\{A, B\}\}$



$\mathcal{L}(A) =$ all strings of 1's and 0's

Example Büchi 2

- $S = \{P, R\}$, $I = \{P\}$, $\Delta = \{(P,P), (P,R), (R,R), (R,P)\}$,
 $\Sigma = \{0,1\}$, $L(P) = 1$, $L(R) = 0$, $F_1 = \{\{P\}, \{Q\}\}$



- $\mathcal{L}(A) =$ all strings with both infinitely many 1's and infinitely many 0's