PROGRAM SYNTHESIS

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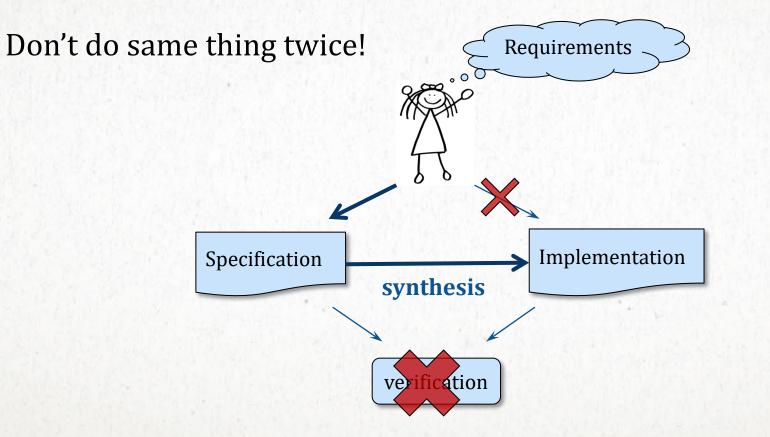


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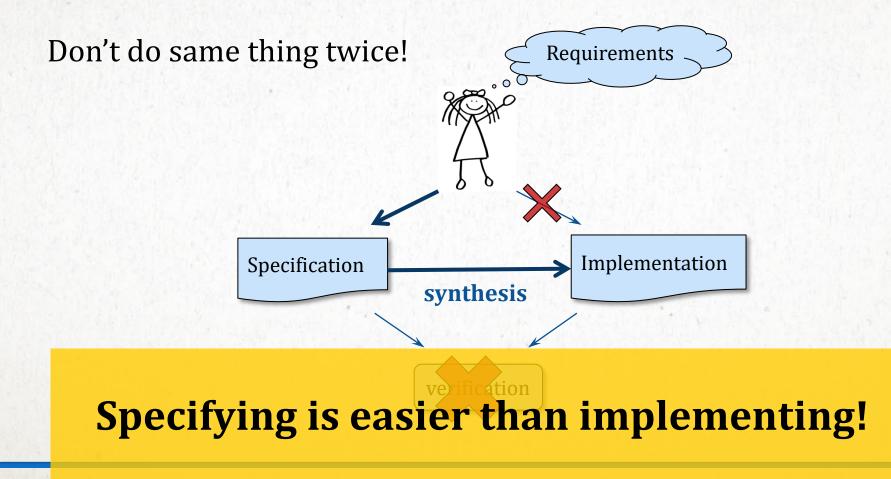
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CONSTRUCT CORRECT SYSTEMS AUTOMATICALLY FROM SPEC

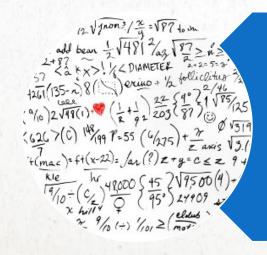


CONSTRUCT CORRECT SYSTEMS AUTOMATICALLY FROM SPEC





Removes need to Code!

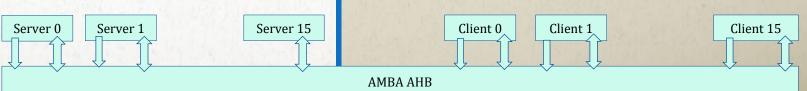


Correct by Construction!

THIS TUTORIAL

- Reactive synthesis from Church's synthesis problem to scalable software
- Deductive synthesis from the seminar Manna-Waldinger paper to scalable software
- Can reactive and deductive synthesis be friends?
- Syntax-guided synthesis
- New applications of software synthesis

REACTIVE SYNTHESIS



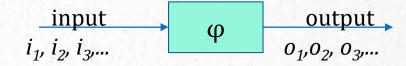


APPLICATION OF RECURSIVE ARITHMETIC TO THE PROBLEM OF CIRCUIT SYNTHESIS

by Alonzo Church

A paper presented at the Summer Institute of Symbolic Logic at Ithaca, N. Y., in July, 1957 - with revisions made in August, 1957.

- Reactive systems: embedded systems, GUIs, robots, hardware circuits, ...
- Church synthesis problem (1957):
 - Given a requirement φ on the input-output behavior of a Boolean circuit, compute a circuit C that satisfies φ.



 Reactive synthesis: given a specification written in LTL (linear temporal logic), automatically compute the program that satisfies the specification

TODAY'S LECTURE

Finite State Reactive systems

- Continuous interaction with environment
- Do not terminate
- Discrete time
- Correctness statements are temporal (temporal logic, automata)

Tomorrow's lecture: functions

- Start with input, terminate with output (non-termination = bug)
- Correctness is input/output relation (Hoare logic)

SYNTHESIS

Given

Input and output signals

Specification ϕ of behavior



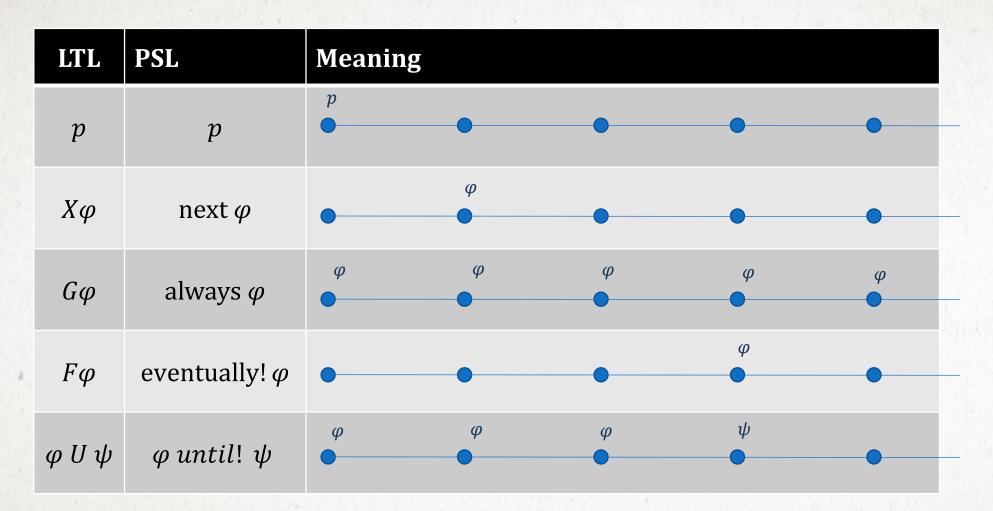
Determine

Realizability: Is there a system that realizes specification?

Synthesis: If system exists, construct it

For any input trace *I*, we have $I || S(I) \vDash \phi$

LINEAR TEMPORAL LOGIC (LTL)



plus Boolean connectors $(V, \Lambda, \neg, \rightarrow)$ and nesting

LTL SYNTAX

- If ϕ is an atomic propositional formula, it is a formula in LTL
- If φ and ψ are LTL formulas, so are φ ∧ ψ, φ ∨ ψ, ¬ φ, φ U ψ (until), X φ (next), Fφ (eventually), G φ (always)
- Interpretation: over computations $\pi: \omega \Rightarrow 2^V$ which assigns truth values to the elements of V at each time instant

 $\pi \vDash \mathsf{X} \varphi \quad \text{iff} \ \pi^{1} \vDash \varphi$ $\pi \vDash \mathsf{G} \varphi \quad \text{iff} \ \forall i \cdot \pi^{i} \vDash \varphi$

 $\pi \vDash \mathsf{F}\varphi \quad \text{iff } \exists i \cdot \pi^i \vDash \varphi$

 $\pi \vDash \varphi \cup \psi \text{ iff } \exists i \cdot \pi^i \vDash \psi \land \forall j \cdot 0 \le j < i \Rightarrow \pi^j \vDash \varphi$

Here, π^{i} is the *i*th state on a path

EXPRESSING PROPERTIES IN LTL

- Good for safety (G ¬) and liveness (F) properties
- Express:
 - When a request occurs, it will eventually be acknowledged
 - G (request \Rightarrow F acknowledge)
 - A path contains infinitely many q's
 - G F q
 - At most a finite number of states in a path satisfy ¬q (or property q eventually stabilizes)
 - F G q
 - Action *s* precedes *p* after *q*
 - [¬q U (q ∧ [¬p U s])]
 - Note: hard to do correctly.

SATISFIABILITY & REALIZABILITY

Satisfiability:

Is there a trace that satisfies spec?

Realizability:

Is there a system that satisfies spec?

SATISFIABILITY & REALIZABILITY

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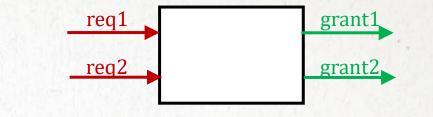
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input req1, req2
output grant1, grant2
G( (req1 → grant1) ∧ (req2 → grant2) )
G ¬( grant1 ∧ grant2 )
Satisfiable?
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Yes

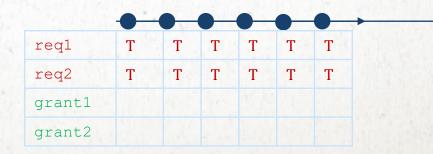
Realizable?

No

Inputs universally quantified

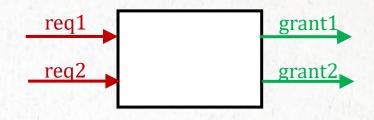


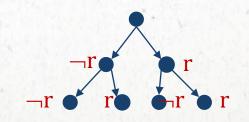
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req1	F	F	F	F	F	F
req2	F	F	F	F	F	F
grant1	F	F	F	F	F	F
grant2	F	F	F	F	F	F



SATISFIABILITY & REALIZABILITY

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Satisfiability: Is there a trace that satisfies the spec?
Realizability: Is there a system that satisfies the spec?
Realizability ≠ Satisfiability
input req1
output grant1
G( grant1 \leftrightarrow X req1 )
Satisfiable?
Yes (No matter how we set grant1).
Realizable?
No, clairvoyant!
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FORMAL VERIFICATION

Given:

System provides outputs

A specification

One Player: (not a game!)

• Environment provides inputs

System is good if it fulfills the spec for all possible inputs



SYNTHESIS IS A GAME

Given:

System provides outputs

A specification

Two Players (a game!)

- Environment provides inputs
- System provides outputs

System is good if it fulfills the spec for all possible inputs



REACTIVE SYNTHESIS SETTINGS

Reactive Systems

- Constant interaction
- No Termination
- E.g. Cell phones, Operating Systems, Powerpoint

Finite State

- Non-terminating, finite systems are graphs with loops
- Not our current focus: functions
 - "Create a function that computes sqrt(2)"



EXAMPLE I: CHESS

- Environment determines black moves
- System determines white moves
- Winning condition:
 - If all black moves are legal, then all white moves are legal and eventually, white reaches checkmate

Easy to specify!





CHECKERS AND SYSTEMS

Checkers are passive

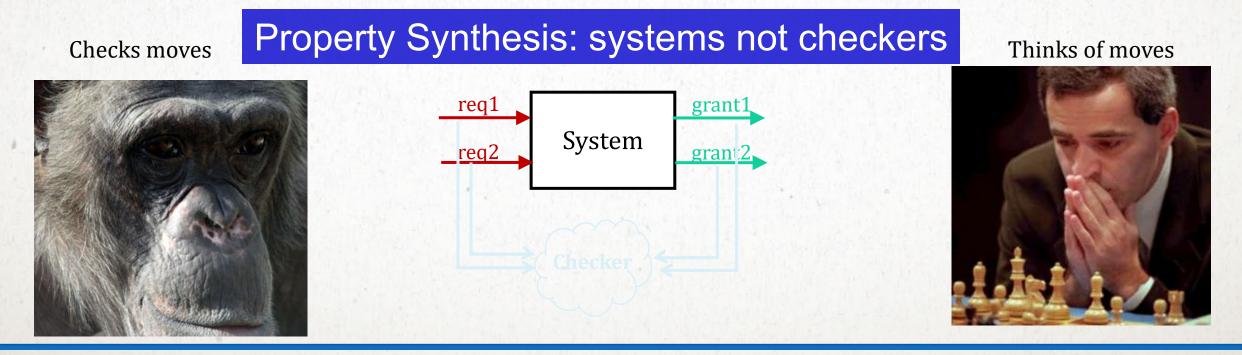
Judge if given behavior is OK

Used in verification

Systems are active

Construct correct behavior

Result of synthesis



SYNTHESIS

1. Specify

- 2. Create Game
- 3. Solve Game
- 4. Create System

EXAMPLE II: ARBITER



Specify
 Create Game
 Solve Game
 Create System

Input: r0, r1

Output: g0, g1

What is the specification?

EXAMPLE II: ARBITER



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 $G(r0 \rightarrow Fg0)$ $G(r1 \rightarrow Fg1)$ $G(\neg g0 \lor \neg g1)$

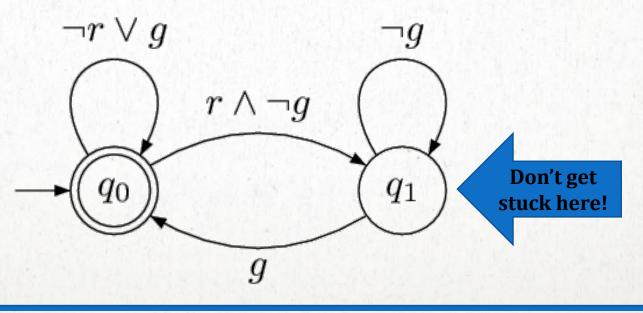
ARBITER SPECIFICATION

Deterministic Büchi automaton for

 $G(r \rightarrow Fg)$

Accepting states must be visited infinitely often

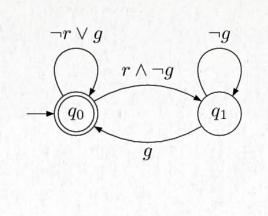
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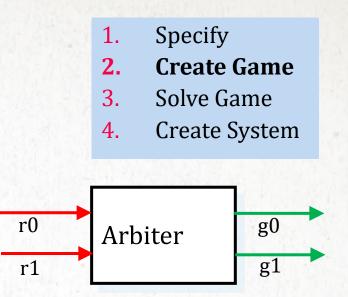


ARBITER GAME

Game for

 $G(r \rightarrow Fg)$

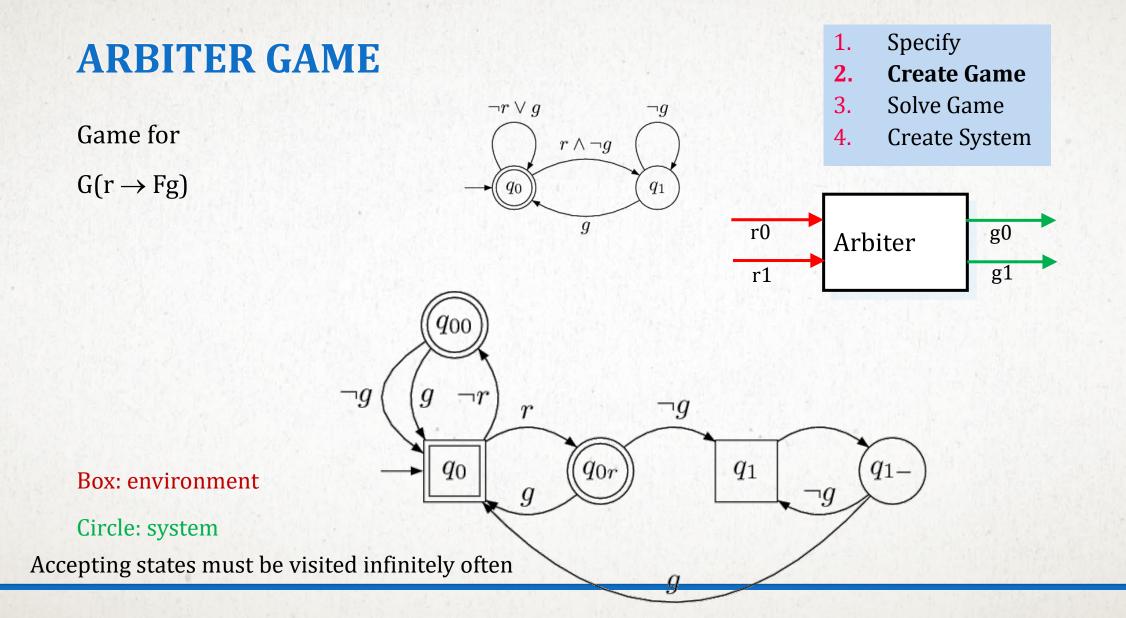


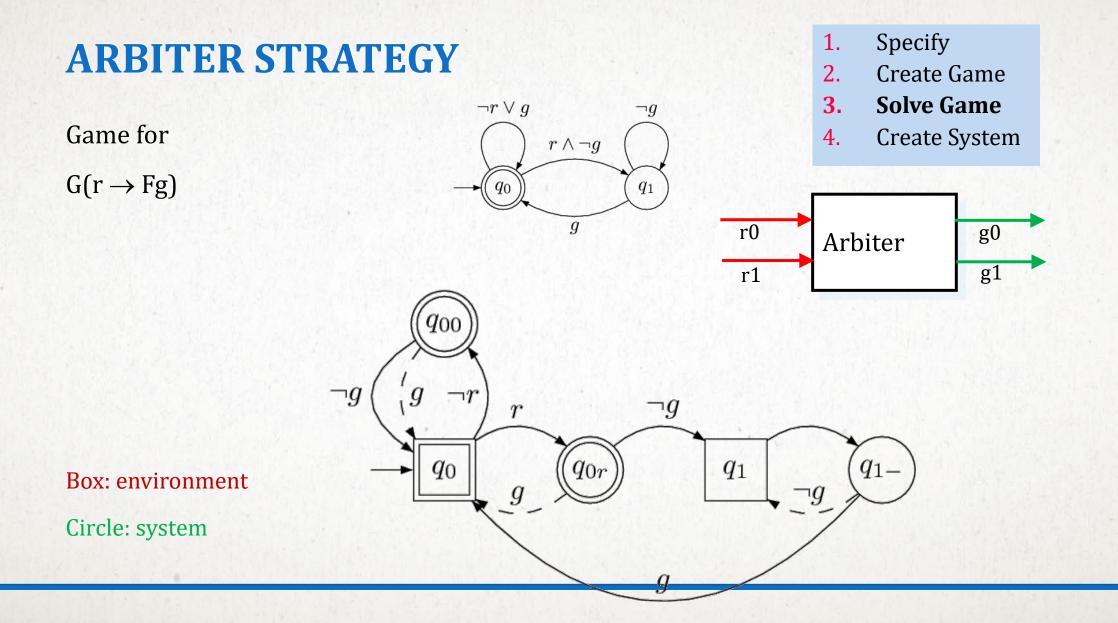


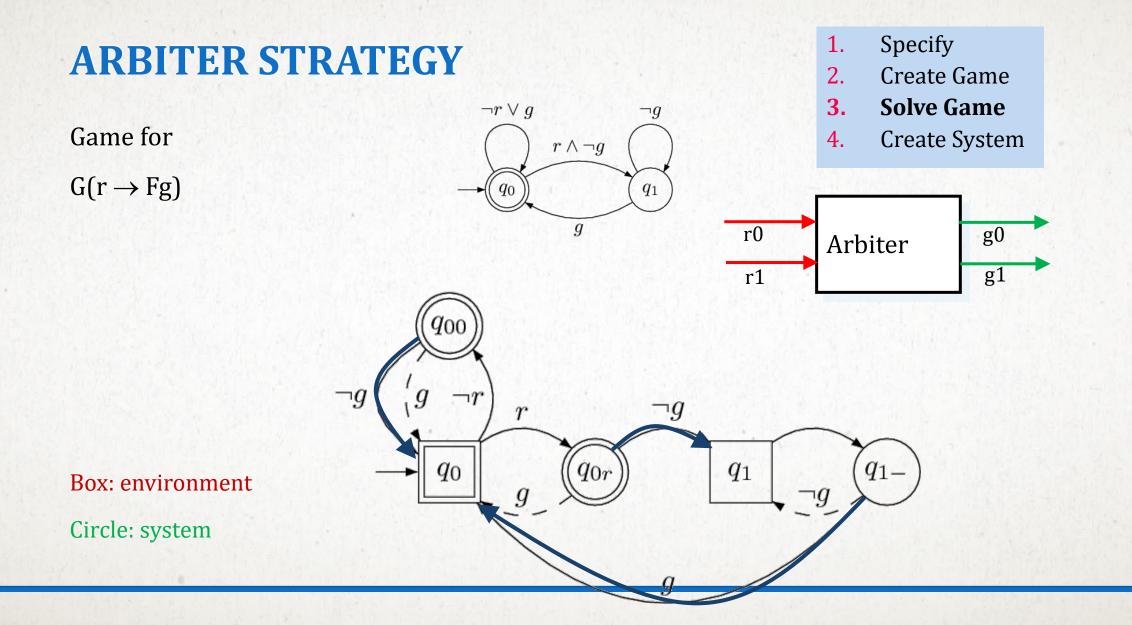
Box: environment

Circle: system

Accepting states must be visited infinitely often



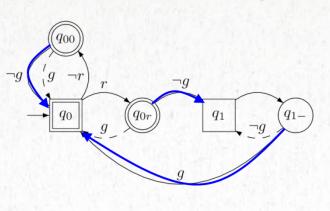




ARBITER STRATEGY

Game for

 $G(r \rightarrow Fg)$



- 1. Specify
- 2. Create Game
- **3**. Solve Game
- **4.** Create System



initial state = q0

while(){

r = getinput();

if(state==q0 && r==0) {g=0; state=q0}

if(state==q0 && r==1) {g=0; state=q1}

if(state==q1) {g=1; state=q0}

}