

Formalizing MLTL in Isabelle/HOL

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Abstract

We build on the Isabelle/HOL formalization of Mission-time Linear Temporal Logic (MLTL) to formalize a formula progression algorithm for MLTL formulas [1], a key algorithm in the FPROGG tool [2] for generating MLTL benchmarks. The formula progression algorithm takes a MLTL formula and steps through a given trace to partially evaluate a logically equivalent simpler formula at each step, ultimately checking whether or not the trace satisfies the original formula. Our formalization is executable and we export it to code in SML.

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1 MLTL formula progresion

theory *MLTL-Formula-Progression*

imports *Mission-Time-LTL.MLTL-Properties*

begin

1.1 Algorithm

```

fun weight-operators:: 'a mltl  $\Rightarrow$  nat where
  weight-operators Truem = 1
  | weight-operators Falsem = 1
  | weight-operators (Propm (p)) = 1
  | weight-operators (F1 Andm F2) = weight-operators F1 + weight-operators F2
  + 1
  | weight-operators (F1 Orm F2) = weight-operators F1 + weight-operators F2
  + 1
  | weight-operators (Notm F) = 1 + weight-operators F
  | weight-operators (F1 Um [a,b] F2) = weight-operators F1 + weight-operators
  F2 + 1 + a + b
  | weight-operators (F1 Rm [a,b] F2) = 10 + weight-operators F1 + weight-operators
  F2 + 1 + a + b
  | weight-operators (Gm [a,b] F) = 10 + weight-operators F + a + b
  | weight-operators (Fm [a,b] F) = 1 + weight-operators F + a + b

function formula-progression-len1:: 'a mltl  $\Rightarrow$  'a set  $\Rightarrow$  'a mltl where
  formula-progression-len1 Truem tr-entry = Truem
  | formula-progression-len1 Falsem tr-entry = Falsem
  | formula-progression-len1 (Propm (p)) tr-entry = (if p  $\in$  tr-entry then Truem
  else Falsem)
  | formula-progression-len1 (Notm F) tr-entry = Notm (formula-progression-len1
  F tr-entry)
  | formula-progression-len1 (F1 Andm F2) tr-entry = (formula-progression-len1
  F1 tr-entry) Andm (formula-progression-len1 F2 tr-entry)
  | formula-progression-len1 (F1 Orm F2) tr-entry = (formula-progression-len1 F1
  tr-entry) Orm (formula-progression-len1 F2 tr-entry)
  | formula-progression-len1 (F1 Um [a,b] F2) tr-entry =
    (if (0 < a  $\wedge$  a  $\leq$  b) then (F1 Um [(a-1), (b-1)] F2)
     else (if (0 = a  $\wedge$  a < b) then ((formula-progression-len1 F2 tr-entry) Orm
     ((formula-progression-len1 F1 tr-entry) Andm (F1 Um [0, (b-1)] F2)))
     else (formula-progression-len1 F2 tr-entry)))
  | formula-progression-len1 (F1 Rm [a,b] F2) tr-entry = Notm (formula-progression-len1
  ((Notm F1) Um [a,b] (Notm F2)) tr-entry)
  | formula-progression-len1 (Gm [a,b] F) tr-entry = Notm (formula-progression-len1
  (Fm [a,b] (Notm F)) tr-entry)
  | formula-progression-len1 (Fm [a,b] F) tr-entry =
    (if 0 < a  $\wedge$  a  $\leq$  b then (Fm [(a-1), (b-1)] F)
     else if (0 = a  $\wedge$  a < b) then ((formula-progression-len1 F tr-entry) Orm (Fm
     [0, (b-1)] F))
     else (formula-progression-len1 F tr-entry))
  <proof>
termination <proof>
```

Note that formula progression needs to be defined when the length of the trace is 0. In this case, we define it to just return the original formula.

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fun formula-progression:: 'a mltl  $\Rightarrow$  'a set list  $\Rightarrow$  'a mltl
where formula-progression F tr =
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(if length tr = 0 then F
else (if length tr = 1 then (formula-progression-len1 F (tr!0))
else (formula-progression (formula-progression-len1 F (tr ! 0)) (drop 1 tr))))

```

value *take* 2 ([0::nat, 1, 2, 3]::nat list)
value *drop* 2 ([0::nat, 1, 2, 3]::nat list)

```

lemma formula-progression-alt:
formula-progression F xs = fold ( $\lambda x F.$  formula-progression-len1 F x) xs F
⟨proof⟩

```

1.2 Proofs

1.2.1 Empty Trace Semantics of MLTL

```

lemma semantics-global:
shows []  $\models_m (G_m [0,1] \varphi)$ 
⟨proof⟩

```

```

lemma semantics-future:
shows []  $\models_m (Not_m (F_m [0,1] (Not_m \varphi)))$ 
⟨proof⟩

```

1.2.2 Well-definedness Properties

```

lemma formula-progression-well-definedness-preserved-len1:
assumes intervals-welldf  $\varphi$ 
shows intervals-welldf (formula-progression-len1  $\varphi \pi$ )
⟨proof⟩

```

```

lemma formula-progression-well-definedness-preserved:
assumes intervals-welldf  $\varphi$ 
shows intervals-welldf (formula-progression  $\varphi \pi$ )
⟨proof⟩

```

1.2.3 Theorem 1

Helper lemma for Theorem 1

```

lemma formula-progression-identity:
fixes  $\varphi$ ::'a mltl
fixes  $k$ ::nat
assumes  $k < length \pi$ 
shows formula-progression (formula-progression  $\varphi$  (take k  $\pi$ )) [ $\pi ! k$ ]
= formula-progression  $\varphi$  (take (k+1)  $\pi$ )
⟨proof⟩

```

Theorem 1

```

theorem formula-progression-decomposition:
fixes  $\varphi$ ::'a mltl

```

```

assumes  $k \geq 1$ 
assumes  $k \leq \text{length } \pi$ 
shows formula-progression (formula-progression  $\varphi (\text{take } k \pi)$ ) (drop  $k \pi$ )
  = formula-progression  $\varphi \pi$ 
{proof}

```

1.2.4 Theorem 2

Base case for Theorem 2

```

lemma satisfiability-preservation-len1:
  fixes  $\varphi : 'a \text{ mltl}$ 
  assumes  $1 < \text{length } \pi$ 
  assumes intervals-welldef  $\varphi$ 
  shows semantics-mltl (drop 1  $\pi$ ) (formula-progression-len1  $\varphi (\pi ! 0)$ )
     $\longleftrightarrow$  semantics-mltl  $\pi \varphi$ 
{proof}

```

Theorem 2

```

theorem satisfiability-preservation:
  fixes  $\varphi : 'a \text{ mltl}$ 
  assumes  $k \geq 1$ 
  assumes  $k < \text{length } \pi$ 
  assumes intervals-welldef  $\varphi$ 
  shows semantics-mltl (drop  $k \pi$ ) (formula-progression  $\varphi (\text{take } k \pi)$ )
     $\longleftrightarrow$  semantics-mltl  $\pi \varphi$ 
{proof}

```

Counter example to Theorem 2 showing how the theorem can fail if the trace length condition is removed. lemma theorem2-cexa:

```

  fixes  $\varphi : \text{nat mltl}$ 
  assumes  $k = 1$ 
  assumes  $\pi = [\{1 : \text{nat}\}]$ 
  assumes  $\varphi = G_m [0, 3] (\text{Prop-mltl } (1 : \text{nat}))$ 
  assumes intervals-welldef  $\varphi$ 
  shows (drop  $k \pi$ )  $\models_m$  (formula-progression  $\varphi (\text{take } k \pi)$ ) = True
{proof}

value (take 1  $[\{1 : \text{nat}\}]$ )
value formula-progression ( $G_m [0, 3] (\text{Prop-mltl } (1 : \text{nat}))$ ) (take 1  $[\{1 : \text{nat}\}]$ )

```

```

lemma theorem2-cexb:
  fixes  $\varphi : \text{nat mltl}$ 
  assumes  $\pi = [\{1 : \text{nat}\}]$ 
  assumes  $\varphi = G_m [0, 1] (\text{Prop-mltl } (1 : \text{nat}))$ 
  assumes intervals-welldef  $\varphi$ 
  shows semantics-mltl  $\pi \varphi = \text{False}$ 
{proof}

```

1.2.5 Theorem 3

Setup: Properties of Computation Length lemma *complen-geq-1*:

shows *complen-mltl* $\varphi \geq 1$
 $\langle proof \rangle$

This is a key property that makes the base case of Theorem 3 work: Constraining the computation length of the formula means that the formula progression is either globally true or false. This is a very strong structural property that lets us use the inductive hypotheses in, e.g., the Or case and the Not case of the base case of Theorem 3.

lemma *complen-bounded-by-1*:

assumes *intervals-welldef* φ
assumes $1 \geq \text{complen-mltl } \varphi$
shows $(\forall \xi. \xi \models_m (\text{formula-progression-len1 } \varphi \pi)) \vee$
 $(\forall \xi. \neg (\xi \models_m (\text{formula-progression-len1 } \varphi \pi)))$
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *complen-temporal-props*:

shows $(\text{complen-mltl } (F_m [a,b] \varphi) = 1 \implies (b = 0))$
 $(\text{complen-mltl } (G_m [a,b] \varphi) = 1 \implies (b = 0))$
 $(\text{complen-mltl } (\varphi_1 U_m [a,b] \varphi_2) = 1 \implies (b = 0))$
 $(\text{complen-mltl } (\varphi_1 R_m [a,b] \varphi_2) = 1 \implies (b = 0))$

$\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *complen-one-implies-one-base*:

assumes *intervals-welldef* φ
assumes *complen-mltl* $\varphi = 1$
shows *complen-mltl* (*formula-progression-len1* φk) = 1
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *complen-one-implies-one*:

assumes *intervals-welldef* φ
assumes *complen-mltl* $\varphi = 1$
shows *complen-mltl* (*formula-progression* $\varphi \pi$) = 1
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *formula-progression-decreases-complen-base*:

assumes *intervals-welldef* φ
shows *complen-mltl* $\varphi = 1 \vee \text{complen-mltl } (\text{formula-progression-len1 } \varphi k) \leq$
complen-mltl $\varphi - 1$
 $\langle proof \rangle$

Key helper lemma — relates computation length and formula progression. Intuitively, the formula progression usually decreases the computation length.

lemma *formula-progression-decreases-complen*:

assumes *intervals-welldef* φ
shows *complen-mltl* $\varphi = 1 \vee \text{complen-mltl } (\text{formula-progression } \varphi \pi) = 1 \vee$

complen-mltl (formula-progression φ π) \leq complen-mltl φ – (length π)
 $\langle proof \rangle$

Base case lemma *formula-progression-correctness-len1-helper:*

```
fixes  $\varphi$ ::'a mltl
assumes length  $\pi = 1$ 
assumes intervals-welldef  $\varphi$ 
assumes length  $\pi \geq$  complen-mltl  $\varphi$ 
shows (semantic-equiv (formula-progression-len1  $\varphi$  ( $\pi ! 0$ )) True-mltl)  $\longleftrightarrow$  semantics-mltl [ $\pi ! 0$ ]  $\varphi$ 
 $\langle proof \rangle$ 
```

lemma *formula-progression-correctness-len1:*

```
fixes  $\varphi$ ::'a mltl
assumes length  $\pi = 1$ 
assumes intervals-welldef  $\varphi$ 
assumes length  $\pi \geq$  complen-mltl  $\varphi$ 
shows (formula-progression  $\varphi$   $\pi \equiv_m$  Truem)  $\longleftrightarrow$   $\pi \models_m \varphi$ 
 $\langle proof \rangle$ 
```

Top-Level Result and Corollary theorem *formula-progression-correctness:*

```
fixes  $\varphi$ ::'a mltl
assumes intervals-welldef  $\varphi$ 
assumes length  $\pi \geq$  complen-mltl  $\varphi$ 
shows (formula-progression  $\varphi$   $\pi \equiv_m$  Truem)  $\longleftrightarrow$   $\pi \models_m \varphi$ 
 $\langle proof \rangle$ 
```

Adds the crucial assumption that the length of the trace is greater than or equal to the computation length of the formula.

corollary *formula-progression-append:*

```
fixes  $\varphi$ ::'a mltl
assumes intervals-welldef  $\varphi$ 
assumes  $\pi \models_m \varphi$ 
assumes length  $\pi \geq$  complen-mltl  $\varphi$ 
shows ( $\pi @ \zeta$ )  $\models_m \varphi$ 
 $\langle proof \rangle$ 
```

Converse of Corollary and Combined Statement Alternate statement of the formula progression correctness lemma that asserts formula progression on a trace of length one is semantically equivalent to False mltl when the formula is not satisfied

lemma *formula-progression-correctness-len1-helper-alt:*

```
fixes  $\varphi$ ::'a mltl
assumes length  $\pi = 1$ 
assumes intervals-welldef  $\varphi$ 
assumes length  $\pi \geq$  complen-mltl  $\varphi$ 
shows ((formula-progression-len1  $\varphi$  ( $\pi ! 0$ ))  $\equiv_m$  Falsem)  $\longleftrightarrow$   $\neg ([\pi ! 0] \models_m \varphi)$ 
 $\langle proof \rangle$ 
```

Alternate statement of the formula-progression-correctness lemma with False in the case that the semantics are not satisfied.

```
lemma formula-progression-correctness-len1-alt:
  fixes  $\varphi :: 'a mltl$ 
  assumes length  $\pi = 1$ 
  assumes intervals-welldef  $\varphi$ 
  assumes length  $\pi \geq \text{complen-mltl } \varphi$ 
  shows ((formula-progression  $\varphi$   $\pi$ )  $\equiv_m$  False-mltl)  $\longleftrightarrow$   $\neg \pi \models_m \varphi$ 
  ⟨proof⟩
```

```
theorem formula-progression-correctness-alt:
  fixes  $\varphi :: 'a mltl$ 
  assumes intervals-welldef  $\varphi$ 
  assumes length  $\pi \geq \text{complen-mltl } \varphi$ 
  shows ((formula-progression  $\varphi$   $\pi$ )  $\equiv_m$  False-mltl)  $\longleftrightarrow$   $\neg (\pi \models_m \varphi)$ 
  ⟨proof⟩
```

```
lemma formula-progression-true-or-false:
  fixes  $\varphi :: 'a mltl$ 
  assumes intervals-welldef  $\varphi$ 
  assumes length  $\pi \geq \text{complen-mltl } \varphi$ 
  shows ((formula-progression  $\varphi$   $\pi$ )  $\equiv_m$  Falsem)  $\vee$ 
    ((formula-progression  $\varphi$   $\pi$ )  $\equiv_m$  Truem)
  ⟨proof⟩
```

The inverse statement of formula-progression-append lemma

```
corollary formula-progression-append-converse:
  fixes  $\varphi :: 'a mltl$ 
  assumes intervals-welldef  $\varphi$ 
  assumes  $\neg \pi \models_m \varphi$ 
  assumes length  $\pi \geq \text{complen-mltl } \varphi$ 
  shows  $\neg (\pi @ \zeta) \models_m \varphi$ 
  ⟨proof⟩
```

An important property of complen-mltl that says states in the trace after the computation length does not affect the semantic satisfaction of the formula.

```
corollary complen-property:
  fixes  $\varphi :: 'a mltl$ 
  assumes intervals-welldef  $\varphi$ 
  assumes length  $\pi \geq \text{complen-mltl } \varphi$ 
  shows  $\pi \models_m \varphi \longleftrightarrow (\forall \zeta. (\pi @ \zeta) \models_m \varphi)$ 
  ⟨proof⟩
```

1.3 Formula Progression Examples

```
value formula-progression
  ((Gm [0,2] (Prop-mltl 0))::nat mltl)
```

```

[{\(0::nat)}, {\(0)}, {\(1)}]

value [{\(0::nat)}, {\(0)}, {\(1)}] ! 0
value drop 1 ([{\(0::nat)}, {\(0)}, {\(1)}])
value formula-progression-len1 ((Gm [0,2] (Prop-mltl 0))::nat mltl) {\(0)}

value formula-progression
  (formula-progression-len1
    ((Gm [0,2] (Prop-mltl 0))::nat mltl)
    {\(0)}
  )
  [{\(0)}, {\(1)}]

value formula-progression
  ((Gm [0,1] (Prop-mltl 0))::nat mltl)
  [{\(0)}, {\(1)}]

value formula-progression
  (formula-progression-len1
    ((Global-mltl 0 1 (Prop-mltl 0))::nat mltl)
    {\(0)}
  )
  [{\(1)}]

value formula-progression-len1 ((Gm [0,1] (Prop-mltl 0))::nat mltl) {\(0)}

value formula-progression
  ((Gm [0,0] (Prop-mltl 0))::nat mltl)
  [{\(1)}]

value formula-progression-len1
  ((Gm [0,0] (Prop-mltl 0))::nat mltl)
  {\(1)}

```

1.4 Code Export

```

export-code
  formula-progression
  in SML module-name FP
end

```

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