

Propositional Linear-time Temporal Logic **PLTL**

- **Syntax of PLTL**
 - **Atomic formula:** p (in a set P of propositions)
 - **Expression:** constructed from atomic formulae by \wedge , \vee , \Rightarrow , \neg , U and N , where U and N are used in forms of $\phi U \psi$, $N\phi$

• Semantics of PLTL

Let $w = p_1 \dots p_n$ be a string over P

w satisfies ϕ ($w \models \phi$) is defined as

- $w \models p$ iff $p_1 = p$
- $w \models N\phi$ iff $2 \leq n$ and $p_2 \dots p_n \models \phi$
- $w \models \phi U \psi$ iff i ($1 \leq i \leq n$) exists such that
 - $p_i \dots p_n \models \psi$ and
 - $p_j \dots p_n \models \phi$ for all j such that $1 \leq j < i$
- $w \models \neg\phi$ iff $w \models \phi$ does not hold
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- **Semantics of PLTL (cont.)**

- Intuitively, $w = pp'p''$ represents a situation that p holds now, p' next moment, and p'' after that.
- $N\phi$ means that ϕ holds in the next moment
- $\phi U \psi$ means that ϕ holds until ψ holds

- **Ex.:** $N(pUp')$ defines $L = \{w \mid w \models N(pUp')\}$, which is represented as regular expression $Rp^*p'R^*$, where R denotes all $p \in P$ combined by $+$, i.e., $R = (p_1 + \dots + p_m)$ for $P = \{p_1, \dots, p_m\}$
- **Ex.:** formula that defines each language
 - R^*pR^* : $trueUp$ (p holds at a moment)
 ($true$ is defined as, e.g. $p \vee \neg p$)
 $trueU\phi$ is sometimes written as $F\phi$
 - pp^* : $\neg(F(\neg p))$ (p holds continuously)
 $\neg(F(\neg\phi))$ is sometimes written as $G\phi$

- **Satisfiability problem** of PLTL formulae: Problem whether there exists a string w that satisfies a given formula ϕ
- Th.: Satisfiability problem of PLTL formulae is decidable
- Proof: by transformation into WS1S
 - Prepare 2nd order variable X_p for each $p \in P$

The coding \hat{w} of a string w is shown by examples below

For $P = \{p, p'\}$ and $w = pp'p$,
 $\hat{w} = (X_p, X_{p'})$, where $X_p = \{\varepsilon, 11\}$, $X_{p'} = \{1\}$

- **Proof (cont.)**

Construct WS1S formula ψ as $T(\phi, \varepsilon)$ from PLTL formula ϕ so that $w \models \phi$ iff $\hat{w} \models \psi$

- $T(p, x) : x \in X_p$

- $T(N\phi, x) : T(\phi, x1)$

- $T(\phi U \phi', x) :$

$$\exists y. (x \leq y \wedge T(\phi', y))$$

$$\wedge \forall z. (x \leq z \wedge z1 \leq y \Rightarrow T(\phi, z))$$

- $T(\neg\phi) : \neg T(\phi)$

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