

Verification of Real Time Systems - CS5270

lecture 10

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Assignment 3

A reminder... Assignment number 3:

- On the web site
- Due 9th April! ...



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The immediate road map

The topics:

- **Preliminaries for Model Checking**
 - Temporal logic..., Kripke semantics
- **CTL Model Checking**
 - The CTL model checking relation
 - The CTL model checking algorithm, with optimizations

- Example [smv/spin](#) - CTL/LTL model checkers
- **TCTL Model Checking**
 - The TCTL model checking relation
 - The TCTL model checking algorithm, with optimizations
 - Example [Uppaal](#) - TCTL model checker

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The smv model checker

CTL model checker:

- McMillan (1992) wrote **smv** a CTL model checker, making sources public
- More recently, **NuSMV** is being developed further, and now includes **LTL**, and other extensions including **SAT solvers**, **BMC**...
- Now has an **extensive** history



The smv model checker

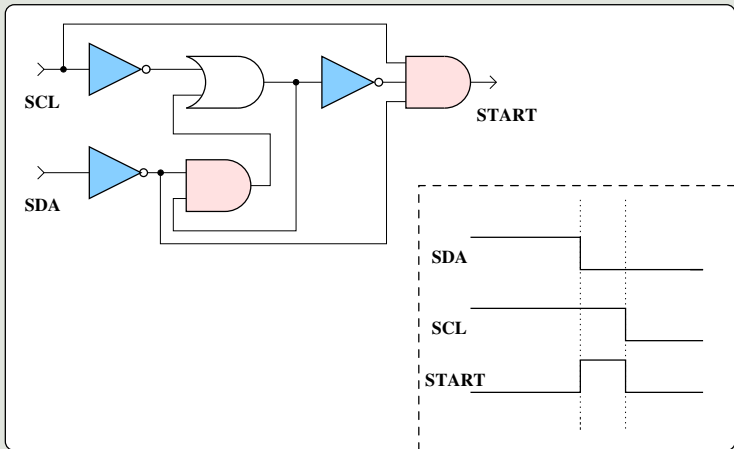
10²⁰⁰ states and beyond!

- The tool smv has been particularly useful for **hardware** design checking, although it is similar to all the other style systems we have seen
- specifying a model in an automata style
- useful for any responsive software system (**protocols**)
- For a change give a **hardware verification** example
 - electronic circuit to detect the **START** condition for **I2C** signalling.



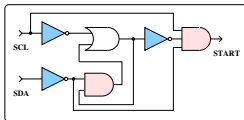
Example: smv model checker

If SDA goes low while SCL is high...



Example: smv model checker

SMV code for the circuit:



```
MODULE mainVAR
    inv1      : boolean;
    inv2      : boolean;
    inv3      : boolean;
    or2gate1  : boolean;
    and2gate1 : boolean;
    and3gate1 : boolean;
    SCLIN     : boolean;
    SDAIN     : boolean;
ASSIGN
    inv1      := !SCLIN;
    inv2      := !SDAIN;
    inv3      := !or2gate1;
    next( or2gate1 ) := inv1 | and2gate1;
    and2gate1 := inv2 & or2gate1;
    and3gate1 := inv3 & SCLIN & inv2;
SPEC
    (AG((SDAIN=1)&(SCLIN=1)&(AX SDAIN=0)) -> AF and3gate1)
```

Example: smv model checker

When we try it out:

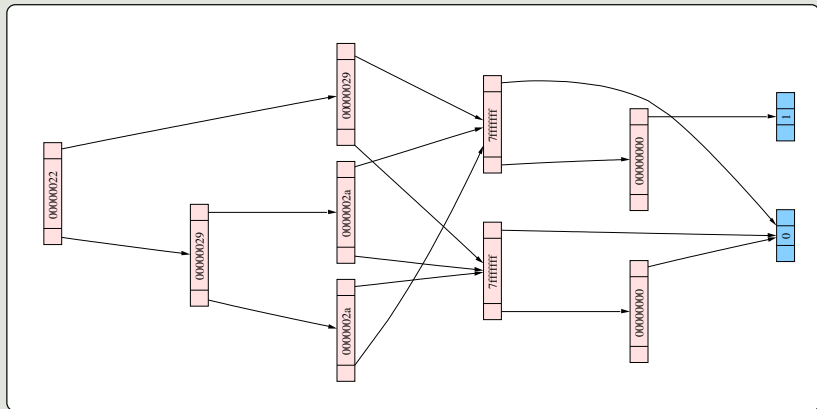
```
[hugh@pnp176-44 FormalVerification]$ NuSMV I2C
*** This is NuSMV 2.3.1 (compiled on Mon Apr 3 10:11:22 UTC 2006)
*** For more information on NuSMV see <http://nusmv.irst.itc.it>
*** or email to <nusmv-users@irst.itc.it>.
*** Please report bugs to <nusmv@irst.itc.it>.
-- specification
  (AG ((SDAIN = 1 & SCLIN = 1) & AX SDAIN = 0) -> AF and3gate1)
  is true
[hugh@pnp176-44 FormalVerification]$
```

- Verifies that it is always true that if **SDA** and **SCL** were both **HIGH**, and that if the next state had **SDA LOW**, then eventually **and3gate=START** will be **HIGH**?

Example: smv model checker

ROBDD representation of model:

- Generated automatically from within `smv...`



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The spin model checker

LTL style:

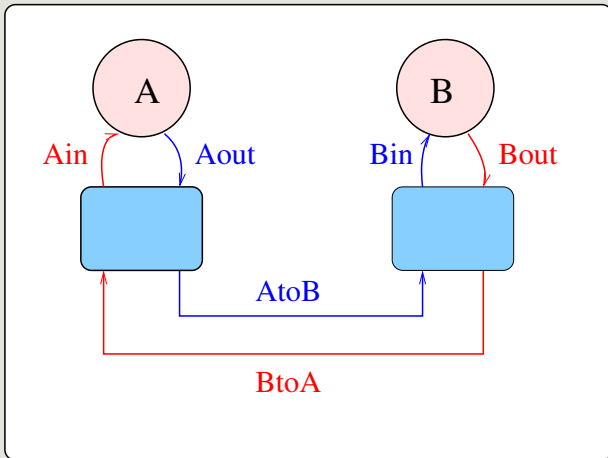
- **spin** is the name of an LTL model checker
- **xspin** is a graphical interface for it
- **PROMELA** is the model checking language it uses.
- Developed by Gerard Holzmann at Bell Labs at

<http://www.spinroot.com/>



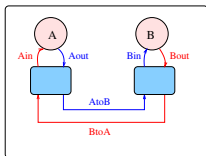
Modelling protocols

Modelling the whole system:



Modelling protocols

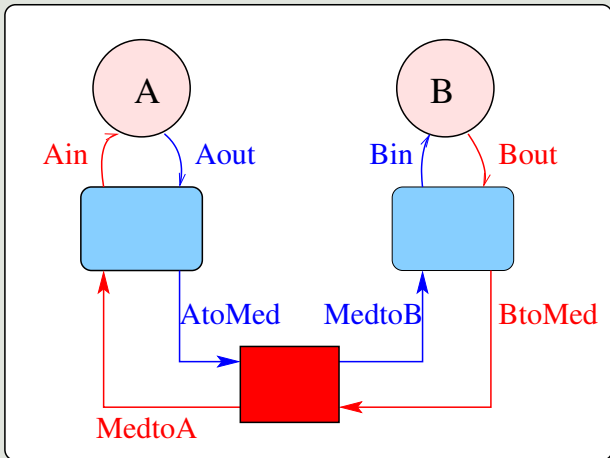
PROMELA code to connect whole system:



```
chan Ain      = [2] of { byte };
chan MedtoA   = [2] of { byte, int };
...
atomic {
    run protocol( Ain, Aout, MedtoA, AtoMed );
    run protocol( Bin, Bout, MedtoB, BtoMed );
    run medium( AtoMed, MedtoB );
    run medium( BtoMed, MedtoA );
    run application( Aout, Ain );
    run application( Bout, Bin )
};
```

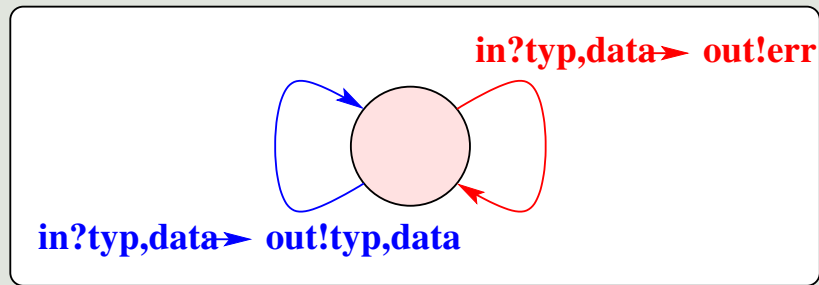
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System with a noisy channel:



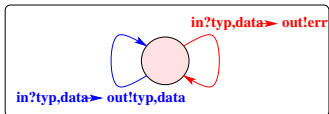
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A noisy channel transition system:



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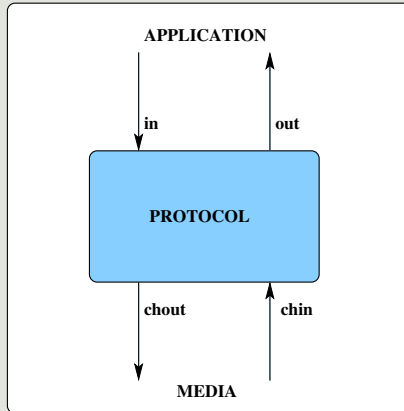
PROMELA code for noisy channel transition system:



```
proctype medium( chan in, out ) {  
    byte typ;  
    int data;  
    do  
        :: in?typ,data ->  
            if  
                :: out!typ,data  
                :: out!err,0  
            fi  
    od  
};
```

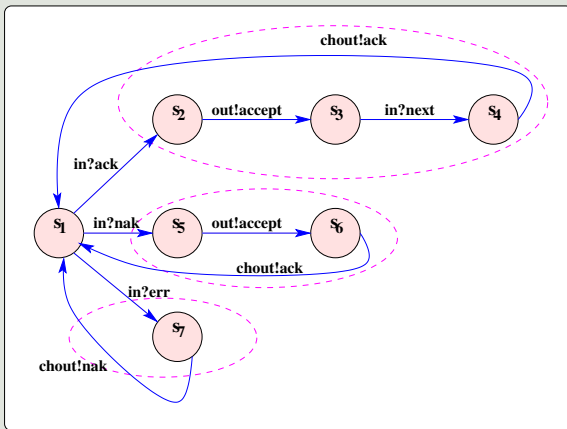
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Protocol lies between the application and the media:



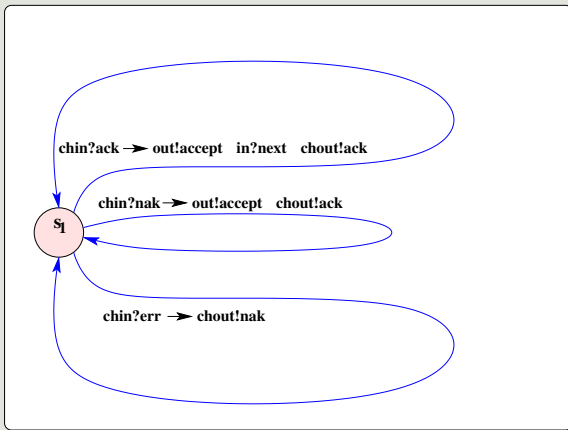
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Protocol transition system:



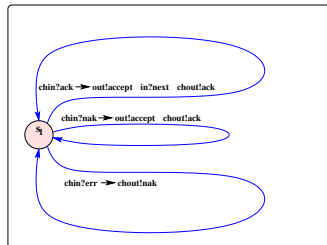
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Simplified protocol transition system:



Modelling protocols

PROMELA code for protocol:



```
proctype protocol( chan in, out, chin, chout ) {  
  byte o,i;  
  in?next(o);  
  do  
    :: chin?ack(i) -> out!accept(i); in?next(o); chout!ack(o)  
    :: chin?nak(i) -> out!accept(i); chout!ack(o)  
    :: chin?err(i) -> chout!nak(o)  
  od  
}
```

Specifying properties?

For reachability and temporal claims:

- Add **assertions** in the PROMELA code for **reachability** claims:

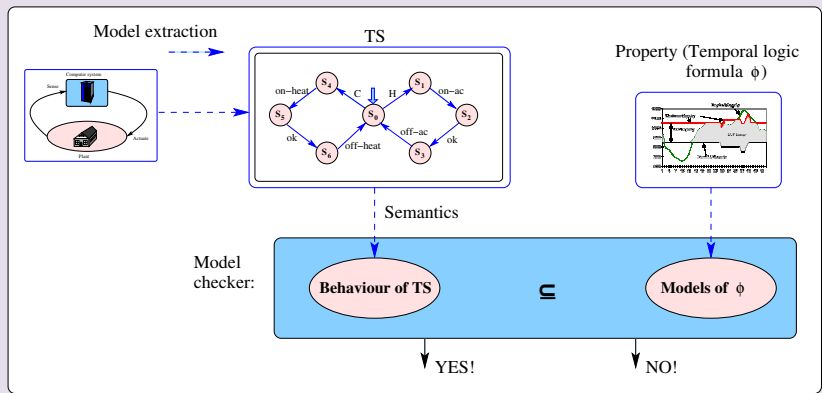
```
assert (maxbuffered=3) ;
```

- Convert LTL formula into **Buchi automata** for (negative) **temporal** claims?



The big picture again.....

Models, properties, LANGUAGE of a model, property:



The big picture

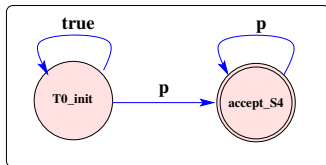
Model theoretic view:

- To assert an LTL temporal formula/claim on a model, we have to show that the **language** of the model (all executions) is **included** in the language of the claim.
- It is easier to **claim the negative** ...
 - It is easier to prove that the **intersection** of the language of the model and the claim is **empty**.
 - Hence **NEVER** claims in **PROMELA**.



Modelling claims: $A(FG p) \dots$ spin -f " $\langle \rangle [] p$ "

PROMELA code for NEVER claim:



```
never { /* <>[]p */
  T0_init:  if
            :: ((p)) -> goto accept_S4
            :: (1) -> goto T0_init
          fi;
  accept_S4: if
            :: ((p)) -> goto accept_S4
          fi;
}
```

If the **product** of the model and the negation of this automaton is **empty** (i.e. no acceptance), then $A(FG p)$.

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Regional transition system

Timed CTL versus traditional CTL:

- Major difference is that we have clocks:
 - in the automaton (X , a finite set of clock variables), and
 - in the TCTL formula (Z , a different finite set of clock variables).

We have to take these clocks into account both in the definition of TCTL, and also the model checking relation for TCTL: \models_{τ} . The **Kripke** structure is different, as it corresponds to an **RTS** (regional transition system) instead of a standard transition system.

Regional transition system

The Kripke structure for RTS:

- The (composite) states of the RTS are a pair $\bar{r} = (s, [v]_{\approx})$, termed a *region*, where s corresponds to the original state of the transition system, and $[v]_{\approx}$ is the regional equivalence class for v as defined in Chapter 4.

We begin by formally defining an **RTS**, and its corresponding **model**, in terms of the time abstract transition system TA_{TTS} . Recall that the (possibly infinite) states in TA_{TTS} are of the *composite* form (s, v) , where s corresponds to the states of the original timed transition system, and v is a valuation of the clocks of that system.

Regional transition system

Formal definition of RTS:

Given $\text{TA}_{\text{TTS}} = (\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}_0, \text{Act}, \rightsquigarrow)$, then the RTS is a quotiented transition system $\text{RTS} = (\overline{\mathcal{R}}, \overline{\mathcal{R}}_0, \text{Act}, \rightarrow)$ where

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{\mathcal{R}} &= \{(\mathbf{s}, [v]_{\approx}) \mid (\mathbf{s}, v) \in \mathcal{S} \wedge v \in [v]_{\approx}\}, \text{ and} \\ \overline{\mathcal{R}}_0 &= \{(\mathbf{s}, [v]_{\approx}) \mid (\mathbf{s}, v) \in \mathcal{S}_0 \wedge v \in [v]_{\approx}\},\end{aligned}$$

and $(\mathbf{s}, [v]_{\approx}) \xrightarrow{a} (\mathbf{s}', [v']_{\approx})$ if and only if there is a transition $(\mathbf{s}, v) \rightsquigarrow^a (\mathbf{s}', v')$ in TA_{TTS} .

Regional transition system

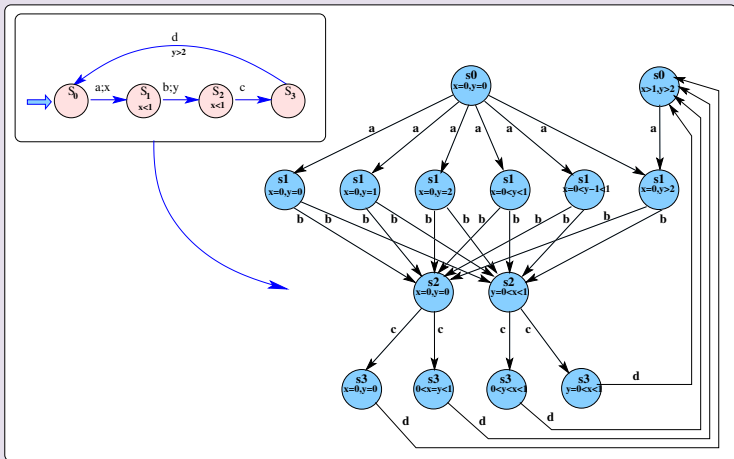
Notations when discussing RTS:

There are three levels:

- 1 The elements of the set \bar{R} are called the *regions* of the RTS.
- 2 The notation for identifying a particular region will be $\bar{r} \in \bar{R}$, and
- 3 a (transitory) state with a particular clock *valuation* within that region will be denoted by $r = (s, v)$.

Regional transition system

From TTS to RTS:



Regional transition system

RTS is finite (reminder):

- Note that since \equiv_{REG} is a stable equivalence relation of finite index, the RTS is a finite structure.
- We do not need to differentiate between the RTS and the zone based transition system here, instead considering that the zone based transition system is just a more efficient version of the RTS.

The semantics for TCTL is again defined in terms of a Kripke structure or TCTL-model. This model is derived from the RTS.



Regional transition system

Definition for the model:

A **TCTL model** \bar{M} over a set AP of atomic propositions is a 4-tuple $(\bar{R}, \Delta, AP, \mathcal{L})$, where

- \bar{R} is the finite set of **regions** derived from the **RTS**.
- $\Delta \subseteq \bar{R} \times \bar{R}$ is a **transition relation** derived from \rightarrow in **RTS**. It must be *total*.
- AP is a finite set of **atomic propositions**.
- $\mathcal{L} : \bar{R} \rightarrow 2^{AP}$ is a function which **labels** each region with the set of atomic propositions true in that region.

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Timed CTL-

Definition:

Given a proposition $p \in AP$ (atomic propositions), $x \in X$ (clock variables), $z \in Z$ (clock variables in the property formula) and $\phi \in \Phi(X \cup Z)$ (clock constraints), then p and ϕ are both TCTL-formulae, and if ψ_1 and ψ_2 are TCTL-formulae, then

- $\neg\psi_1$ is a TCTL-formula
- $\psi_1 \wedge \psi_2$ is a TCTL-formula
- $\psi_1 \vee \psi_2$ is a TCTL-formula
- $z \text{ in } \psi_1$ is a TCTL-formula
- $A(\psi_1 \text{ U } \psi_2)$ is a TCTL-formula
- $E(\psi_1 \text{ U } \psi_2)$ is a TCTL-formula

Timed CTL-

How time is handled in timed CTL-:

- The **FREEZE** definition in line 4. The meaning of “**z in ψ** ” is that ψ holds when the property formula clock **z** is reset to **0**. Corresponds to the clock reset.
- Temporal operators are subscripted with time constraints:

$$A(\psi_1 U_{\leq 5} \psi_2)$$

expresses the idea that ψ_1 holds until within **5** time units, ψ_2 becomes true. This may be defined in TCTL- using the **FREEZE** operator:

$$z \text{ in } A((\psi_1 \wedge z \leq 5) U \psi_2)$$

Timed CTL-

How time is handled in timed CTL-:

- Example 1:

$$A(\text{alarm } U_{<7} \text{ boileroff})$$

expresses the idea that the **alarm** is on **until** (within **7 time units**) the **boileroff** is signaled.

- Example 2:

$$EF_{<7}(\text{alarm})$$

expresses the idea that the **alarm** will be on within **7 time units**.

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Timed CTL- \models_{τ} relation

Definition:

$\bar{M}, (r, f) \models_{\tau} p$	\Leftrightarrow	$p \in L(\bar{r})$
$\bar{M}, (r, f) \models_{\tau} \phi$	\Leftrightarrow	$v \cup f \models \phi$
$\bar{M}, (r, f) \models_{\tau} \neg\psi_1$	\Leftrightarrow	iff it is not the case that $\bar{M}, (r, f) \models_{\tau} \psi_1$
$\bar{M}, (r, f) \models_{\tau} \psi_1 \wedge \psi_2$	\Leftrightarrow	iff $\bar{M}, (r, f) \models_{\tau} \psi_1$ and $\bar{M}, (r, f) \models_{\tau} \psi_2$
$\bar{M}, (r, f) \models_{\tau} \psi_1 \vee \psi_2$	\Leftrightarrow	iff $\bar{M}, (r, f) \models_{\tau} \psi_1$ or $\bar{M}, (r, f) \models_{\tau} \psi_2$
$\bar{M}, (r, f) \models_{\tau} z \text{ in } \psi_1$	\Leftrightarrow	iff $\bar{M}, (r, z \text{ in } f) \models_{\tau} \psi_1$
$\bar{M}, (r, f) \models_{\tau} A(\psi_1 \text{ U } \psi_2)$	\Leftrightarrow	iff for every path $\bar{\pi} = s_0 s_1 \dots$ from r , where for some j , $\bar{M}, \bar{\pi}(j) \models_{\tau} \psi_2$, and $\forall i < j$, $\bar{M}, \bar{\pi}(i) \models_{\tau} \psi_1 \vee \psi_2$
$\bar{M}, (r, f) \models_{\tau} E(\psi_1 \text{ U } \psi_2)$	\Leftrightarrow	iff there is a path $\bar{\pi} = s_0 s_1 \dots$ from r , where for some j , $\bar{M}, \bar{\pi}(j) \models_{\tau} \psi_2$, and $\forall i < j$, $\bar{M}, \bar{\pi}(i) \models_{\tau} \psi_1 \vee \psi_2$

The modelling relation \models_{τ}

Comments on the relation:

- In this definition, the progression of time is defined in reference to the states of the original TS_{TTS} . In particular, a path from one state r is an infinite sequence of states $\bar{\pi} = s_0 s_1 \dots$ such that $s_0 = r$ and $s_i \rightarrow s_{i+1}$. A particular i -th element of $\bar{\pi}$ is $\bar{\pi}(i)$.
- The notation found in the definition for the **FREEZE** operator ($\overline{M}, (r, z \text{ in } f) \models_{\tau} \psi_1$) indicates that $\overline{M}, (r, f) \models_{\tau} \psi_1$ if all occurrences of z in f are reset to 0.

The modelling relation \models_{τ}

Comments on the relation:

- An interesting element of the definition is found in the definitions for $E(\psi_1 U \psi_2)$ and $A(\psi_1 U \psi_2)$, where at some j , $\overline{M}, \overline{\pi}(j) \models_{\tau} \psi_2$, but for all $i < j$, $\overline{M}, \overline{\pi}(i) \models_{\tau} \psi_1 \vee \psi_2$.
- If you compare this with the similar definition from CTL, you find in that case the condition “for all $i < j$, $M, \overline{\pi}(i) \models \psi_1$ ” (i.e. ψ_1 instead of $\psi_1 \vee \psi_2$).

The modelling relation \models_{τ}

Explanation:

We can see the need for the expression $\psi_1 \vee \psi_2$ instead of just ψ_1 by considering the *big* step from a particular valuation in \bar{r}_1 to another in \bar{r}_2 seen below. For all points in the two regions we want $A(\psi_1 \cup \psi_2)$, but for the two points connected by the line, ψ_1 is not true just before the new point

