# Labelled Markov Processes Logical characterization of bisimulation for LMPs

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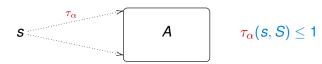
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### What are Labelled Markov Processes?

#### LMPs are

- probabilistic versions of labelled transition systems.
- probabilistic data is internal
- we observe the interactions not the internal states.
- the state space may be a continuum.

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- We want to assign sizes to these and (all?) other sets.

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- Alas! Not all sets can be given a sensible notion of size that generalizes the notion of length of an interval.
- We take a family of sets satisfying "reasonable" axioms and deem them to be "measurable."

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The structure  $(S, \Sigma, \mu)$  is called a **measure space**.



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#### Theorem (1) (DP: JLAP03)

Let  $(S, \Sigma)$  be an analytic space, and  $\mathcal{F}$  with  $S \in \mathcal{F}$ , countable and closed under intersection.

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A function f from a measurable space  $(X, \Sigma_X)$  to a measurable space  $(Y, \Sigma_Y)$  is said to be measurable if

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 whenever  $A \in \Sigma_Y$ .



# An example on $(X, \mathcal{P}(X))$

Fix a set X and a point x of X. We define a measure, in fact a probability measure, on the  $\sigma$ -algebra of all subsets of X as follows. We use the slightly peculiar notation  $\delta(x,A)$  to emphasize that x is a parameter in the definition.

$$\delta(x,A) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in A, \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin A. \end{cases}$$

This measure is called the Dirac delta measure. Note that we can fix the set A and view this as the definition of a (measurable) function on X. What we get is the characteristic function of the set A,  $\chi_A$ .

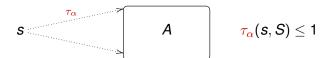
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# Lebesgue measure on R

- For any subset of R we define outer measure as the infimum of the total length of the intervals of any covering family of intervals.
- The rationals have outer measure zero.
- This is not additive so it does not give a measure defined on all sets.
- It does however give a measure on the Borel sets.

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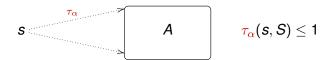




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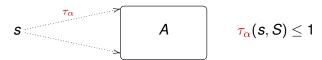
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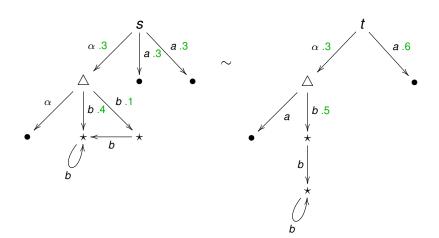
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# Larsen-Skou Bisimulation - Example



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An equivalence relation R is a bisimulation if

if 
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, and if  $A$  is an  $R$ -closed set in  $\Sigma$ , then  $\tau_{\alpha}(s,A) = \tau_{\alpha}(s',A)$  for all  $a \in L$ 

s and t are bisimilar if sRt for some bisimulation relation.

Can be extended to bisimulation between two different **LMPs**.

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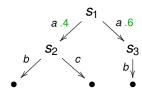
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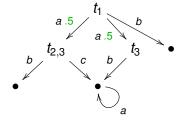
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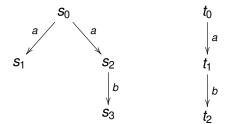
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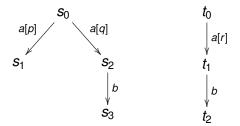
Two systems with analytic state spaces are bisimilar iff they obey the same formulas of  $\mathcal{L}$ .



Two processes that cannot be distinguished without negation. The formula that distinguishes them is  $\langle a \rangle (\neg \langle b \rangle \top)$ .

#### But it is!

We add probabilities to the transitions.



- If p + q < r or p + q > r, then some  $\langle a \rangle_x \top$  distinguishes them.
- If p + q = r and p > 0 then q < r so  $\langle a \rangle_r \langle b \rangle_1 \top$ distinguishes them.



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- $-\sim_{\mathcal{L}}$ -closed sets are exactly members of  $cl_{\Sigma}(\llbracket \mathcal{L} \rrbracket)$ .

Hence negation plays no role!



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Now look at the following theorem on analytic spaces:

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Given  $(S, \Sigma)$  an analytic space and  $\sim$  an equivalence relation such that there is a countable family of real-valued measurable functions  $f_i: S \to \mathbf{R}$  such that

$$\forall s, s' \in S.s \sim s' \iff \forall f_i . f_i(s) = f_i(s')$$

then the quotient space  $(Q,\Omega)$  - where  $Q=S/\sim$  and  $\Omega$  is the finest  $\sigma$ -algebra making the canonical surjection  $g: S \to Q$ measurable - is also analytic.



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 $cl_{\Sigma}(\mathcal{F}) := \{A \in \Sigma \mid \text{ if } s \in A \text{ and } s \equiv_{\mathcal{F}} s' \text{ then } s' \in A\}$ The equivalence  $s \equiv_{\mathcal{F}} s'$  is witnessed also by the functions  $I_F: S \to \mathbf{R}$ , for  $F \in \mathcal{F}$  defined by

$$I_F(s) = 1$$
 if  $s \in F$ , and 0 otherwise

They are a countable family of measurable functions. Thus the quotient space  $(Q, \Omega)$  is analytic.

Recall that  $\Omega := \{ Y \subseteq Q \mid q^{-1}(Y) \in \Sigma \}$ 

We prove  $q(cl_{\Sigma}(\mathcal{F})) = \Omega$ 

- $\supset$ : because  $q^{-1}(Y)$  is  $\equiv_{\mathcal{F}}$ -closed for  $Y \in \Omega$
- $\subseteq$ : if  $X \in cl_{\Sigma}(\mathcal{F})$  then  $q(X) \in \Omega$  because  $q^{-1}(q(X)) = X$ (1)  $s \in q^{-1}(q(X))$  implies that  $q(s) \in q(X)$ , i.e.  $\exists s' \in X.s \simeq s'$ , but X is closed so  $s \in X$ .

Now  $q(\sigma(\mathcal{F}))$ 

- is a sub- $\sigma$ -algebra of  $\Omega$  (inclusion is by (1))
- $\bullet = \sigma(q(\mathcal{F}))$  and hence is countably generated and separates points

Thus 
$$q(\sigma(\mathcal{F})) = q(cl_{\Sigma}(\mathcal{F}))$$
  
The argument finishes with  $\sigma(\mathcal{F}) = cl_{\Sigma}(\mathcal{F})$ 



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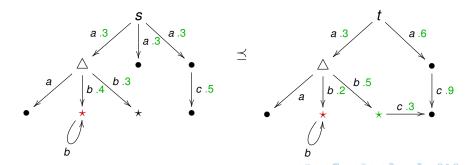
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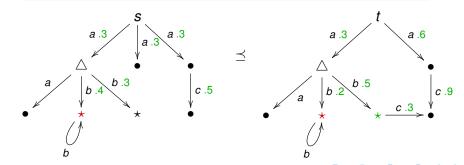
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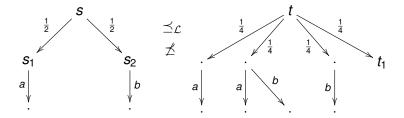


### Logic for simulation?

- The logic used in the characterization has no negation, not even a limited negative construct.
- One can show that if s simulates s' then s satisfies all the formulas of L that s' satisfies.
- What about the converse?

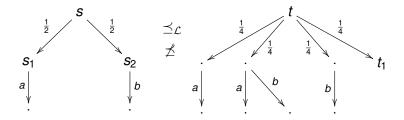
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 $t_1$  cannot simulate any state but t reaches it with probability  $\frac{1}{4}$ 

$$s \models \langle a \rangle_{\frac{7}{8}} (\langle a \rangle_{0.1} \mathsf{T} \vee \langle b \rangle_{0.1} \mathsf{T})$$

$$t \not\models$$

$$t \models \langle a \rangle_{0.1} (\langle a \rangle_{0.1} \mathsf{T} \wedge \langle b \rangle_{0.1} \mathsf{T}).$$
  
 $s \not\models \qquad \text{so } s \not\sim_{\mathcal{L}} t$ 



# A logical characterization for simulation

The logic  $\mathcal{L}$  does **not** characterize simulation. One needs disjunction.

$$\mathcal{L}_{\vee} := \mathcal{L} \mid \phi_1 \vee \phi_2.$$

#### Theorem (DGJP I&C03)

An **LMP**  $s_1$  simulates  $s_2$  if and only if for every formula  $\phi$  of  $\mathcal{L}_{\vee}$ we have

$$s_1 \models \phi \Rightarrow s_2 \models \phi$$
.

The only proof we know uses domain theory.

$$\mathcal{L}_{\operatorname{Can}} := \mathcal{L}_0 \mid \operatorname{Can}(a)$$
 $\mathcal{L}_{\Delta} := \mathcal{L}_0 \mid \Delta_a$ 
 $\mathcal{L}_{\neg} := \mathcal{L}_0 \mid \neg \phi$ 
 $\mathcal{L}_{\land} := \mathcal{L}_{\neg} \mid \bigwedge_{i \in \mathbf{N}} \phi_i$ 

where

$$s \models \operatorname{Can}(a)$$
 to mean that  $\tau_a(s, S) > 0$ ;  $s \models \Delta_a$  to mean that  $\tau_a(s, S) = 0$ .

We need  $\mathcal{L}_{\vee}$  to characterise simulation.



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### Conclusions

- Strong probabilistic bisimulation is characterised by a very simple modal logic with no negative constructs.
- There is a logical characterisation of simulation.
- There is a "metric" on LMPs which is based on this logic.
- Why did the proof require so many subtle properties of analytic spaces? The logical characterisation proof is "easy" for event- bisimulation, but the two bisimulations coincide only on analytic spaces.