

ESE601: Hybrid Systems

Introduction to verification

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Suggested reading material

Papers (R14) - (R16) on the website.

The book "Model checking" by Clarke, Grumberg and Peled.

What is verification?

We need to make sure that the engineering systems we build are **safe, functioning correctly**, etc.

Systems can mean software, hardware, protocols, etc. Thus, not restricted to hybrid systems. In fact, verification originates in computer science, i.e. for discrete event systems.

How is verification done? The system is represented as **transition system**, the properties to be verified are represented as **temporal logic formulas**, whose truth values are to be determined/verified.

Transition Systems

A transition system

$$T = (Q, \Sigma, \rightarrow, O, \langle \cdot \rangle)$$

consists of

A set of states Q

A set of events Σ

A set of observations O

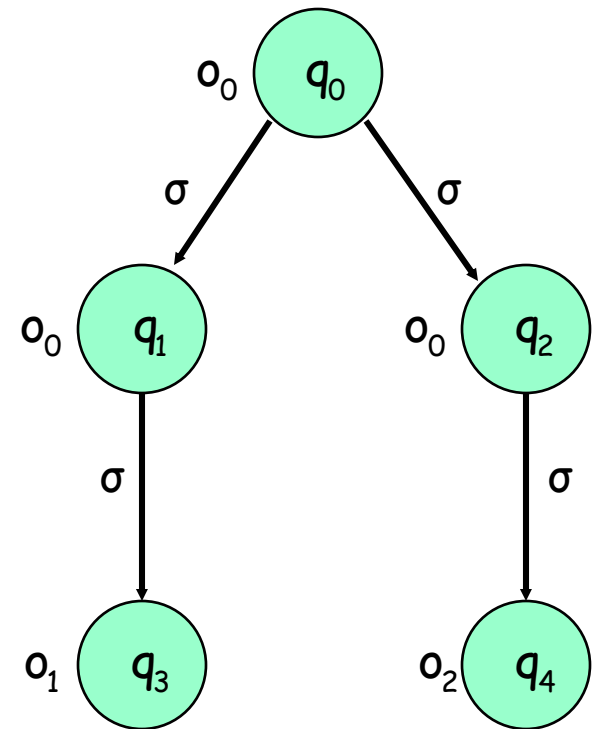
The transition relation $q_1 \xrightarrow{\sigma} q_2$

The observation map $\langle q_1 \rangle = o_0$

Initial may be incorporated

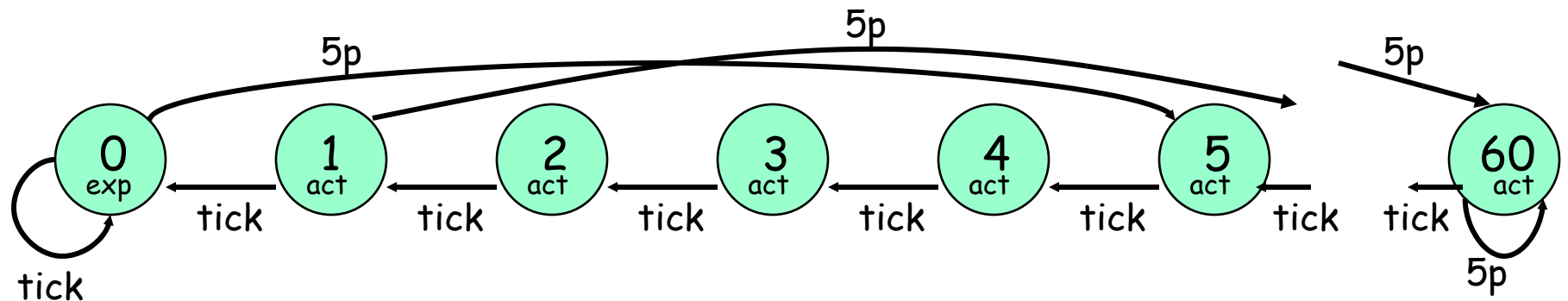
The sets Q , Σ , and O may be infinite

Language of T is all sequences of observations



A painful example

The parking meter



States $Q = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 60\}$

Events $\{\text{tick}, 5p\}$

Observations $\{\text{exp}, \text{act}\}$

A possible string of observations $(\text{exp}, \text{act}, \text{act}, \text{act}, \text{act}, \text{act}, \text{exp}, \dots)$

Temporal logic (informal)

Temporal logic involves logical propositions whose truth values depend on time.

"Tomorrow is Thursday"

The **time** is related to the execution steps of the transition system.

The **asserted property** is related to the observation of the transition system.

"At the **next state**, the meter **expires**"

The basic verification problem

Given transition system T , and temporal logic formula φ

Basic verification problem

$$T \models \varphi$$

The transition system satisfies the formula if:

- All executions satisfy the formula (**linear time**)
- The initial states satisfy the formula (**branching time**)

Another verification problem

Given transition system T , and specification system S

Another verification problem

$$L(T) \subseteq L(S)$$

Language inclusion problems. Recall supervisory control problem.

Linear temporal logic

Linear temporal logic syntax

The LTL formulas are defined inductively as follows

Atomic propositions

All observation symbols p are formulas

Boolean operators

If φ_1 and φ_2 are formulas then

$$\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2 \quad \neg\varphi_1$$

Temporal operators

If φ_1 and φ_2 are formulas then

$$\varphi_1 U \varphi_2 \quad \bigcirc \varphi_1$$

Linear temporal logic

LTL formulas are evaluated over (infinite) sequences of execution, which are called words.

Ex: $w = (\text{exp}, \text{act}, \text{act}, \text{act}, \text{act}, \text{act}, \text{exp}, \dots)$

$$(w, 0) \models \text{exp}, (w, 1) \models \text{act}, (w, 1) \models \neg \text{exp}, \dots$$

A word w satisfies a formula iff $(w, 0)$ satisfies it.

$$w \models \phi \Leftrightarrow (w, 0) \models \phi$$

$$w \models \bigcirc \phi \Leftrightarrow (w, 1) \models \phi$$

$$w \models \theta \ U \ \phi \Leftrightarrow (w, i) \models \theta, (w, N) \models \phi, 0 \leq i < N.$$

Linear temporal logic

Express temporal specifications along sequences

Informally	Syntax	Semantics
Eventually p	$\diamond p$	* * * * * * * * p
Always p	$\square p$	$pppppppppppppppppp$
If p then next q	$p \Rightarrow \bigcirc q$	* * * * * * * * pq
p until q	$p U q$	$ppppppppppppppq * * *$

Linear temporal logic

Syntactic boolean abbreviations

Conjunction $\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 = \neg(\neg\varphi_1 \vee \neg\varphi_2)$

Implication $\varphi_1 \Rightarrow \varphi_2 = \neg\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2$

Equivalence $\varphi_1 \Leftrightarrow \varphi_2 = (\varphi_1 \Rightarrow \varphi_2) \wedge (\varphi_2 \Rightarrow \varphi_1)$

Syntactic temporal abbreviations

Eventually $\diamond \varphi = \top U \varphi$

Always $\square \varphi = \neg \diamond \neg \varphi$

In 3 steps $\bigcirc_3 \varphi = \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc \varphi$

Linear temporal logic semantics

The LTL formulas are interpreted over infinite (omega) words

$$w = p_0 p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 \dots$$

$$(w, i) \models p \text{ iff } p_i = p$$

$$(w, i) \models \varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2 \text{ iff } (w, i) \models \varphi_1 \text{ or } (w, i) \models \varphi_2$$

$$(w, i) \models \neg \varphi_1 \text{ iff } (w, i) \not\models \varphi_1$$

$$(w, i) \models \bigcirc \varphi_1 \text{ iff } (w, i + 1) \models \varphi_1$$

$$(w, i) \models \varphi_1 U \varphi_2$$

$$\exists j \geq i (w, j) \models \varphi_2 \text{ and } \forall i \leq k \leq j (w, k) \models \varphi_2$$

$$w \models \varphi \text{ iff } (w, 0) \models \varphi$$

$$T \models \varphi \text{ iff } \forall w \in L(T) w \models \varphi$$

LTL examples

Two processors want to access a critical section. Each processor can has three observable states

$p1 = \{inCS, outCS, reqCS\}$

$p2 = \{inCS, outCS, reqCS\}$

Mutual exclusion

Both processors are not in the critical section at the same time.

$$\square \neg(p_1 = inCS \wedge p_2 = inCS)$$

Starvation freedom

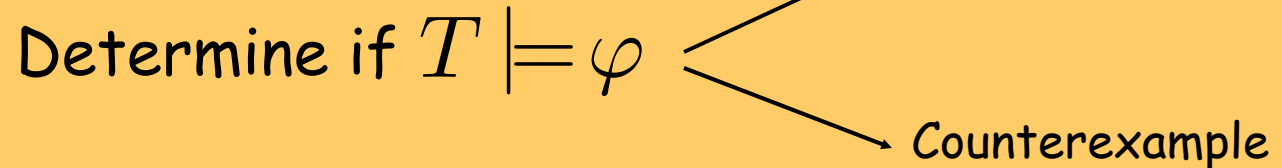
If process 1 requests entry, then it eventually enters the critical section.

$$\square p_1 = reqCS \Rightarrow \diamond p_1 = inCS$$

LTL Model Checking

Given transition system and LTL formula we have

LTL model checking



The transition system satisfies the formula if all executions satisfy it.

LTL model checking is decidable for finite T

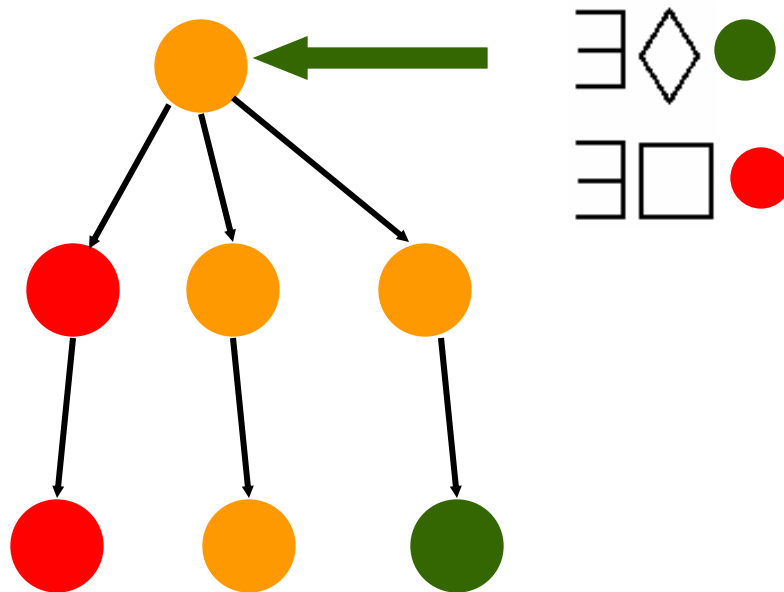
Complexity :

$$O(n + m)2^{O(k)}$$

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graph TD; A[states] --> B[n]; C[transitions] --> D[m]; E[formula length] --> F[k]; B --- G[n + m]; D --- G; G --- H[O(n + m)]; F --- I[2^{O(k)}]; H --- J[O(n + m)2^{O(k)}];
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Computational tree logic (CTL)

CTL is based on branching time. Its formulas are evaluated over the tree of trajectories generated from a **given state** of the transition system.



Computation tree logic

CTL syntax

The CTL formulas are defined inductively as follows

Atomic propositions

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Temporal operators

If φ_1 and φ_2 are formulas then

$$\varphi_1 \exists U \varphi_2 \quad \exists O \varphi_1 \quad \exists \square \varphi_1$$

Computation tree logic (informally)

Express specifications in computation trees (branching time)

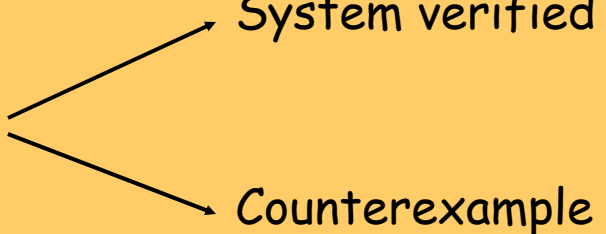
Informally	Syntax	Semantics
Inevitably next p	$\forall \bigcirc p$	
Possibly always p	$\exists \square p$	

CTL Model Checking

Given transition system and CTL formula we have

CTL model checking

Determine if $T \models \varphi$



System verified

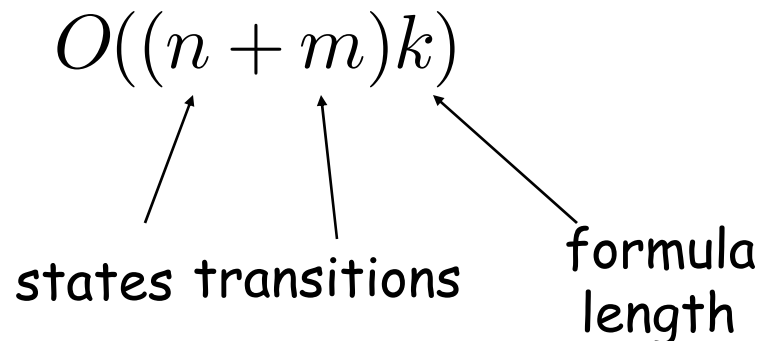
Counterexample

The transition system satisfies the formula if all initial states satisfy it.

CTL model checking is decidable for finite T

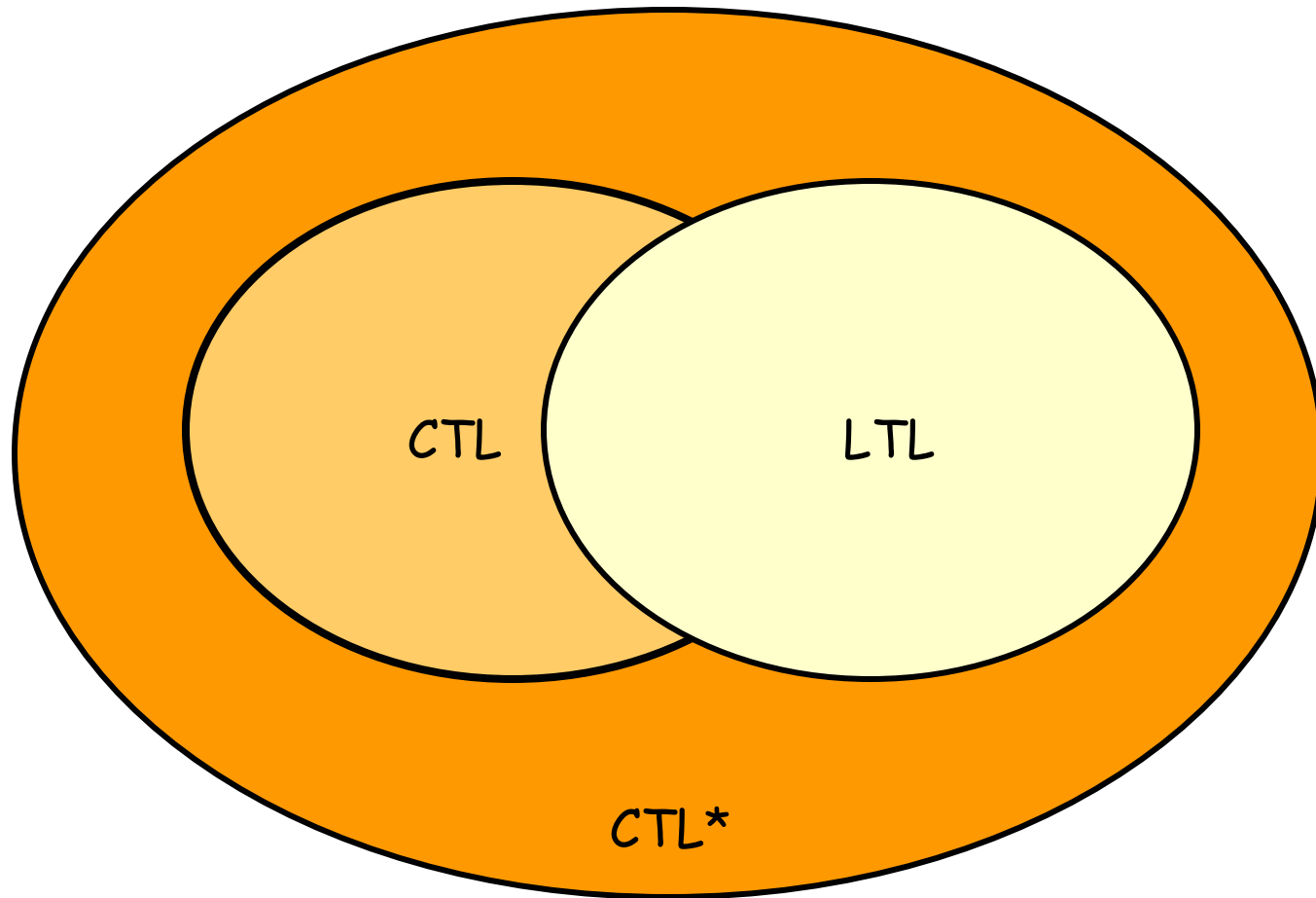
Complexity :

$O((n + m)k)$



states transitions formula length

Comparing logics



Dealing with complexity

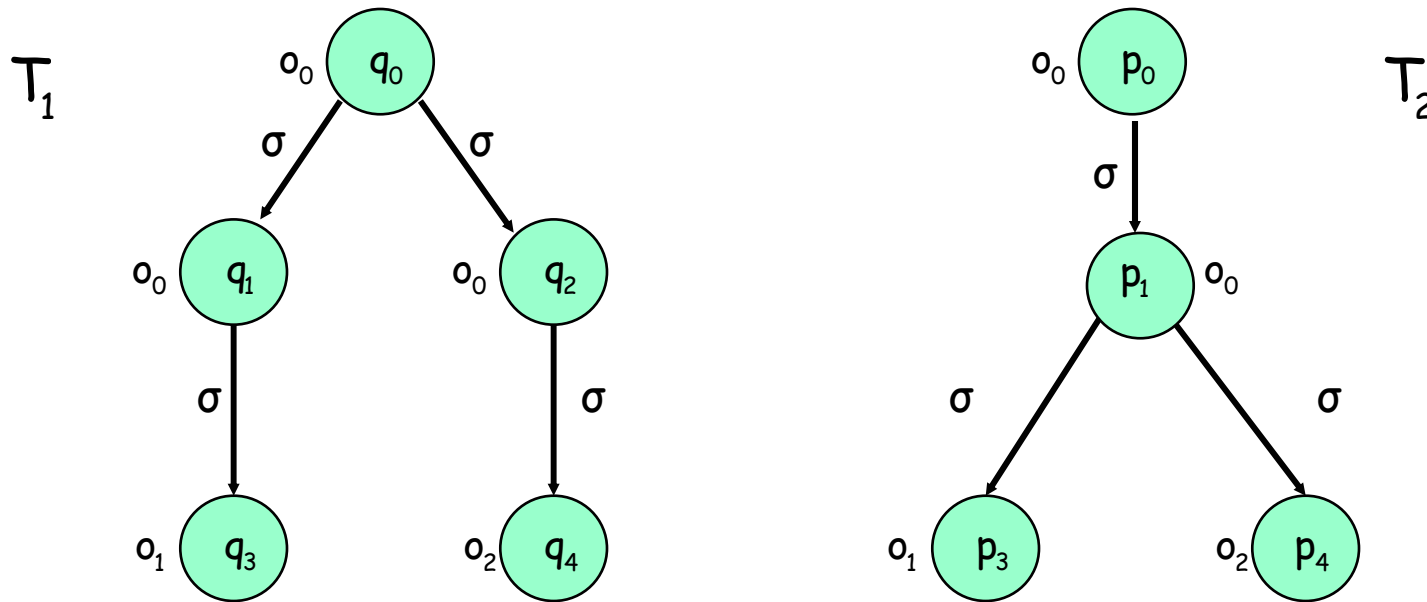
Bisimulation

Simulation

Language Inclusion

Language Equivalence

Consider two transition systems T_1 and T_2 over same Σ and O



Languages are equivalent $L(T_1) = L(T_2)$

LTL equivalence

Consider two transition systems T_1 and T_2 and an LTL formula

Language equivalence

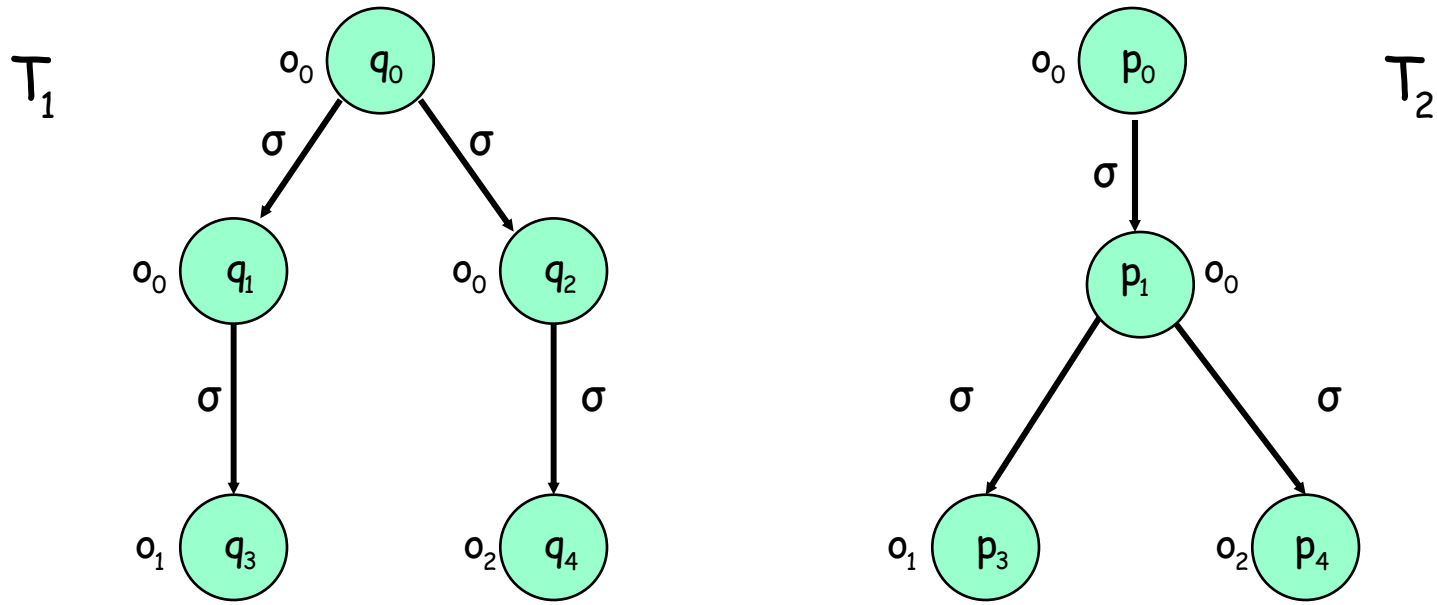
If $L(T_1) = L(T_2)$ then $T_1 \models \varphi \Leftrightarrow T_2 \models \varphi$

Language inclusion

If $L(T_1) \subseteq L(T_2)$ then $T_2 \models \varphi \Rightarrow T_1 \models \varphi$

Language equivalence and inclusion are difficult to check

Language Equivalence $\not\Rightarrow$ CTL equivalence



false

true

$\forall \bigcirc \exists \diamond o_1$

Simulation Relations

Consider two transition systems

$$T_1 = (Q_1, \Sigma, \rightarrow_1, O, \langle \cdot \rangle_1)$$

$$T_2 = (Q_2, \Sigma, \rightarrow_2, O, \langle \cdot \rangle_2)$$

over the same set of labels and observations. A relation $S \subseteq Q_1 \times Q_2$ is called a simulation relation (of T_1 by T_2) if it

1. **Respects observations**

$$\text{if } (q, p) \in S \text{ then } \langle q \rangle_1 = \langle p \rangle_2$$

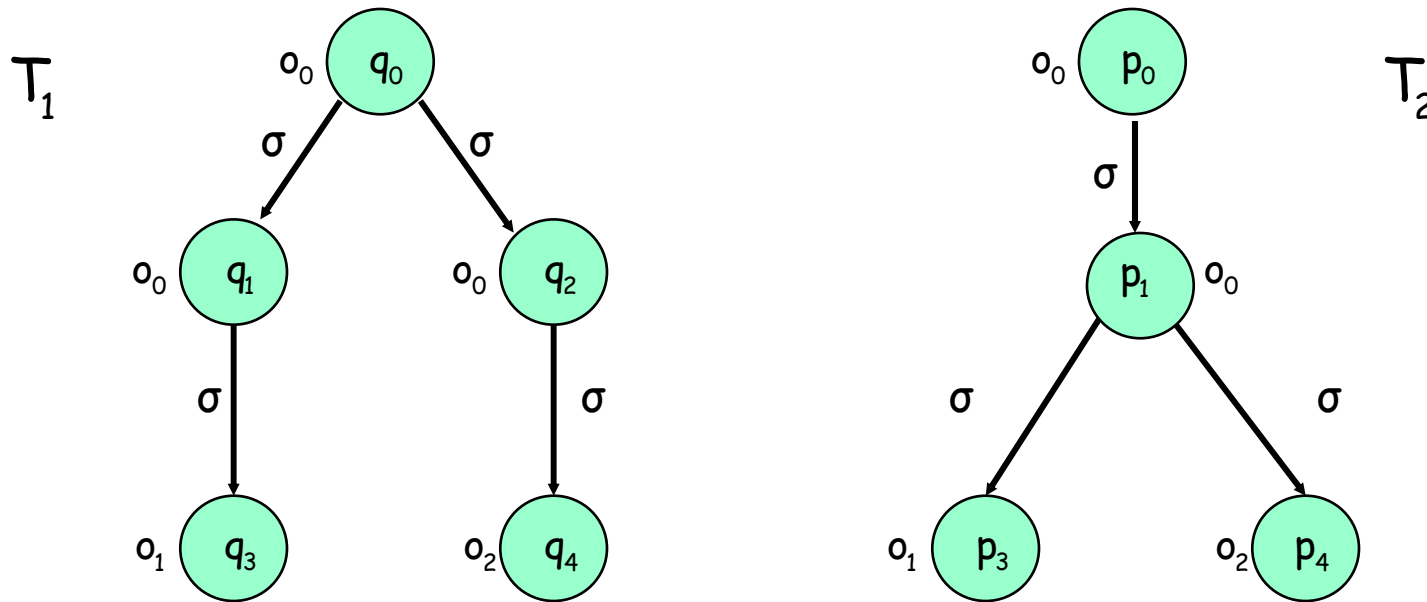
2. **Respects transitions**

$$\text{if } (q, p) \in S \text{ and } q \xrightarrow{\sigma} q', \text{ then } p \xrightarrow{\sigma} p' \text{ for some } (q', p') \in S$$

If a simulation relation exists, then $T_1 \leq T_2$

Game theoretic semantics

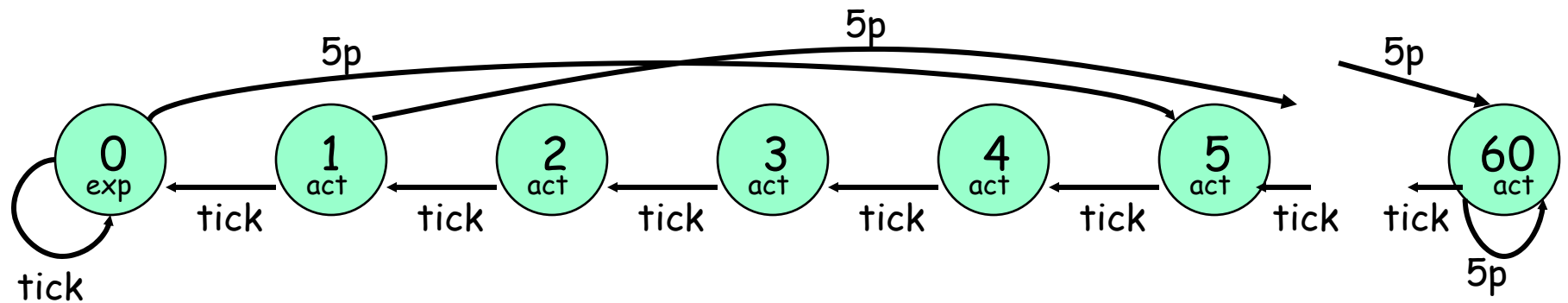
Simulation is a **matching game** between the systems



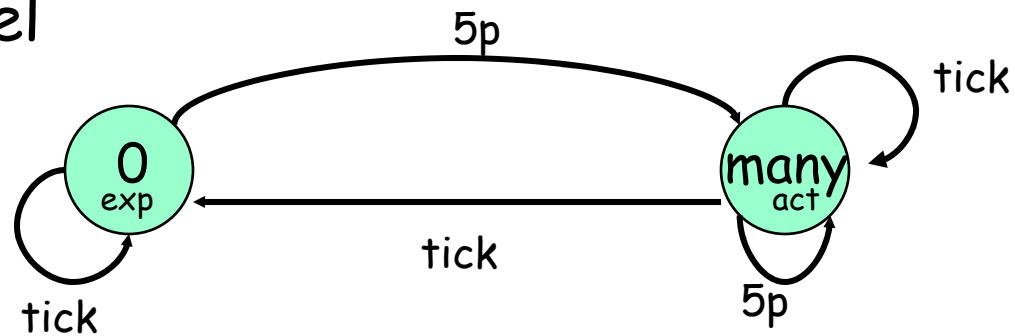
Check that $T_1 \leq T_2$ but it is not true that $T_2 \leq T_1$

The parking example

The parking meter



A coarser model



$$S = \{(0,0), (1, \text{many}), \dots, (60, \text{many})\}$$

Simulation relations

Consider two transition systems T_1 and T_2

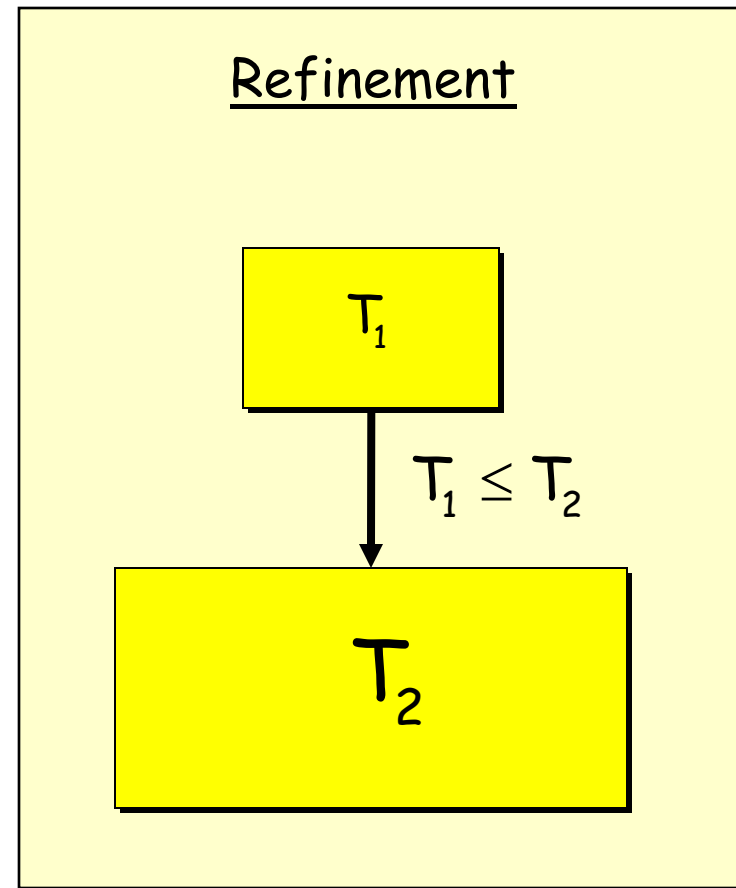
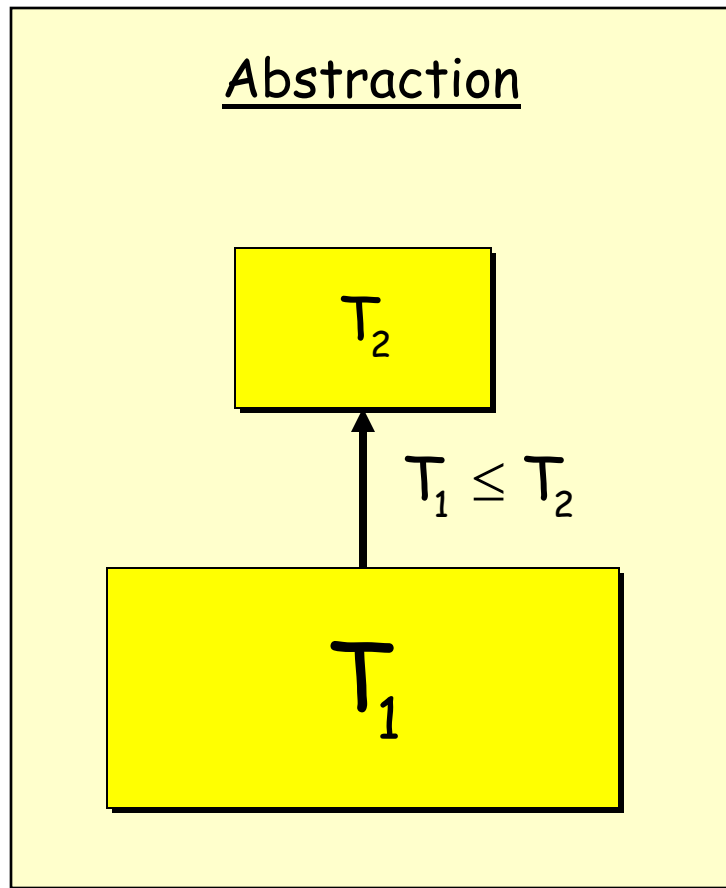
Simulation implies language inclusion

If $T_1 \leq T_2$ then $L(T_1) \subseteq L(T_2)$

Complexity of $L(T_1) \subseteq L(T_2)$ $O((n_1 + m_1)2^{n_2})$

Complexity of $T_1 \leq T_2$ $O((n_1 + m_1)(n_2 + m_2))$

Two important cases



Bisimulation Relations

Consider two transition systems

$$T_1 = (Q_1, \Sigma, \rightarrow_1, O, \langle \cdot \rangle_1)$$

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over the same set of labels and observations. A relation $S \subseteq Q_1 \times Q_2$ is called a bisimulation relation if it

1. Respects observations

$$\text{if } (q, p) \in S \text{ then } \langle q \rangle_1 = \langle p \rangle_2$$

2. Respects transitions

$$\text{if } (q, p) \in S \text{ and } q \xrightarrow{\sigma} q', \text{ then } p \xrightarrow{\sigma} p' \text{ for some } (q', p') \in S$$

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If a simulation relation exists, then $T_1 \equiv T_2$

Bisimulation

Consider two transition systems T_1 and T_2

Bisimulation

$$T_1 \equiv T_2 \quad \text{if} \quad T_1 \leq T_2 \wedge T_2 \leq T_1$$

Bisimulation is a symmetric simulation

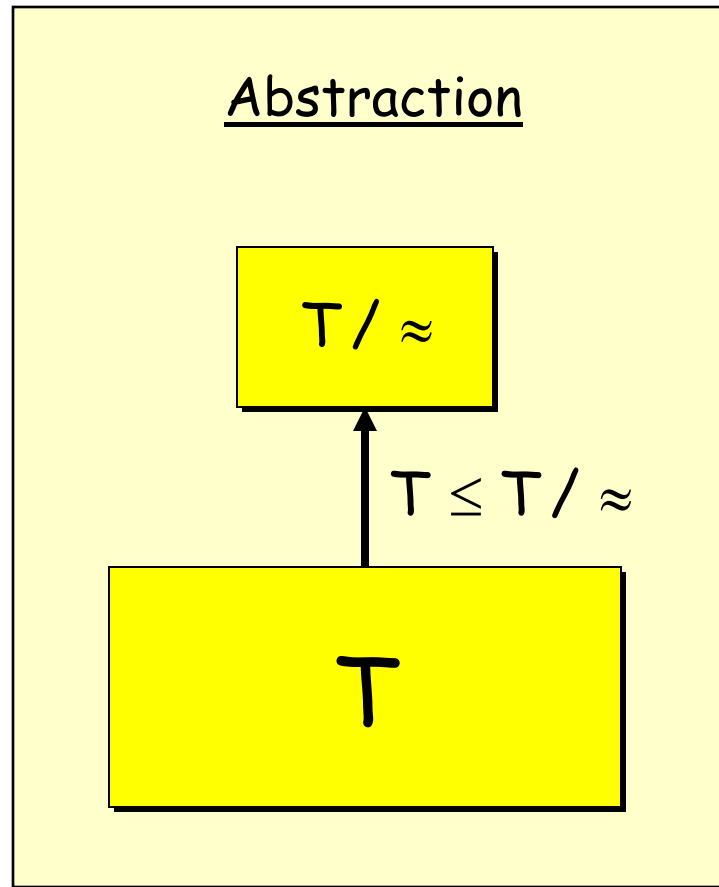
Strong notion of equivalence for transition systems

CTL* (and LTL) equivalence

$$\text{If } T_1 \equiv T_2 \text{ then } T_1 \models \varphi \Leftrightarrow T_2 \models \varphi$$

$$\text{If } T_1 \equiv T_2 \text{ then } L(T_1) = L(T_2)$$

Special quotients



When is the quotient language equivalent or bisimilar to T ?

Quotient Transition Systems

Given a transition system

$$T = (Q, \Sigma, \rightarrow, O, \langle \cdot \rangle)$$

and an observation preserving partition $\approx \subseteq Q \times Q$, define

$$T / \approx = (Q / \approx, \Sigma, \rightarrow_{\approx}, O, \langle \cdot \rangle_{\approx})$$

naturally using

1. Observation Map

$$\langle P \rangle_{\approx} = o \text{ iff there exists } p \in P \text{ with } \langle p \rangle = o$$

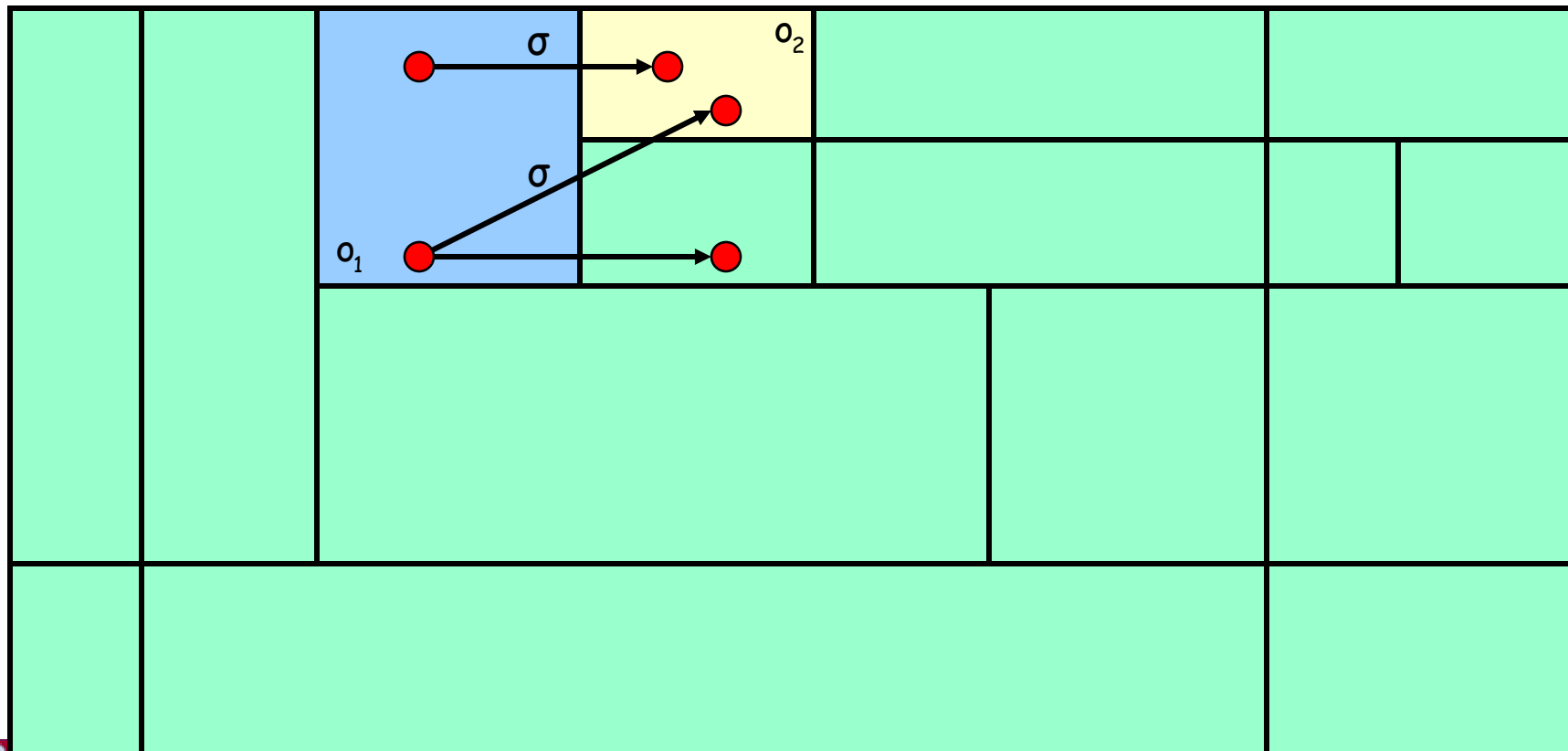
2. Transition Relation

$$P \xrightarrow{\approx} P' \text{ iff there exists } p \in P, p' \in P' \text{ with } p \xrightarrow{\sigma} p'$$

Bisimulation Algorithm

Quotient system T / \approx always simulates the original system T

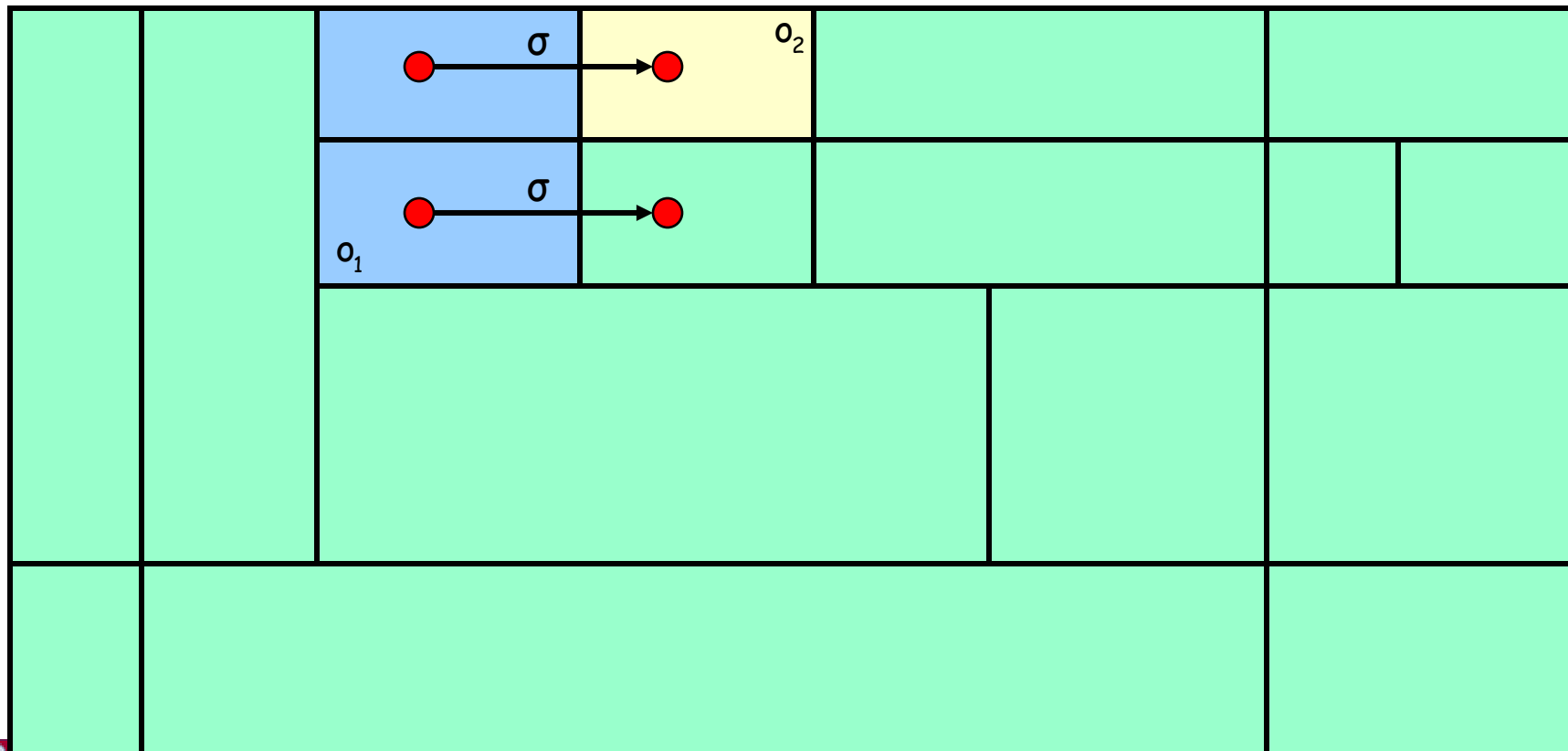
When does original system T simulate the quotient system T / \approx ?



Bisimulation Algorithm

Quotient system T / \approx always simulates the original system T

When does original system T simulate the quotient system T / \approx ?



Transition Systems

A region is a subset of states $P \subseteq Q$

We define the following operators

$$\text{Pre}_\sigma(P) = \{q \in Q \mid \exists p \in P \quad q \xrightarrow{\sigma} p\}$$

$$\text{Pre}(P) = \{q \in Q \mid \exists \sigma \in \Sigma \quad \exists p \in P \quad q \xrightarrow{\sigma} p\}$$

$$\text{Post}_\sigma(P) = \{q \in Q \mid \exists p \in P \quad p \xrightarrow{\sigma} q\}$$

$$\text{Post}(P) = \{q \in Q \mid \exists \sigma \in \Sigma \quad \exists p \in P \quad p \xrightarrow{\sigma} q\}$$

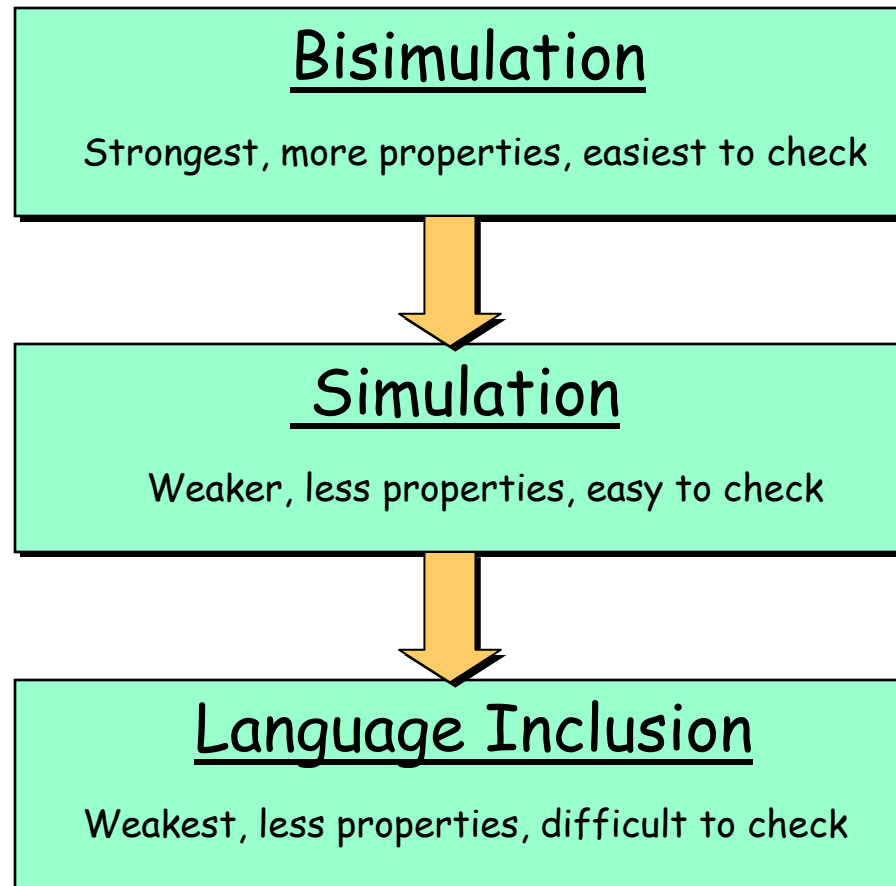
Bisimulation algorithm

Bisimulation Algorithm

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initialize  $Q/\sim = \{p \sim q \text{ iff } \langle q \rangle = \langle p \rangle\}$   
while  $\exists P, P' \in Q/\sim$  such that  $\emptyset \neq P \cap Pre(P') \neq P$   
     $P_1 := P \cap Pre(P')$   
     $P_2 := P \setminus Pre(P')$   
     $Q/\sim := (Q/\sim \setminus \{P\}) \cup \{P_1, P_2\}$   
end while
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If T is finite, then algorithm computes coarsest quotient.
If T is infinite, there is **no guarantee** of termination

Relationships



Complexity comparisons

