# Let's (Bi)Simulate

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# A Transition System

### Definition

# A transition system is a four-tuple $TS = (S, F, T, c_n)$ where:

- $TS = (S, E, T, s_0)$ , where:
  - S is the set of states with initial state s<sub>0</sub>,
  - E is the set of events,
  - $T \subseteq S \times E \times S$  is the set of transitions (as usual, the transition  $(s, a, s_1)$  is written as  $s \xrightarrow{a} s_1$ )







# A Nondeterministic Finite Automata

Definition (NFA)

A Nondeterministic Finite Automata is a tuple  $NFA = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ , where:

- *Q* is the finite set of states, with the start state *q*<sub>0</sub>,
- Σ is the finite set of input symbols,
- $\delta$  is the transition function  $\delta: Q \times (\Sigma \cup \{\epsilon\}) \mapsto 2^Q$ ,
- $F \subseteq Q$  is the set of final (accepting) states.

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#### Models

# Example of NFA

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$$NFA = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q, F):$$
  

$$Q = \{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$$
  

$$\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$$
  

$$q = q_0$$
  

$$F = \{q_2\}$$

The transition function

$Q \setminus \Sigma$	0	1
$q_0$	$\{q_0\}$	$\{q_0, q_1\}$
$q_1$	0	$\{q_2\}$
$q_2$	0	Ø





# A Finite Markov Chain

### Definition

### A Finite Markov Chain is a pair $MC = (Q, \delta)$ , where:

- Q is the set of states,
- $\delta$  is the transition function  $\delta : \mathcal{Q} \mapsto \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{Q})$ ,

### [2]

### Notation

If  $q \in Q$  and  $\delta(q) = P$  with P(s') = p > 0, then the Markov chain is said to go from the state *s* to the state *s'* with probability *p*. Notations:  $s \rightsquigarrow P$ ,  $s \stackrel{p}{\rightsquigarrow} s'$ ,  $\delta(s) = P(s)$ ,  $\delta(s)(s') = p$ .



# A Finite Reactive Probabilistic Automata

### Definition (PA)

[6]

A finite reactive probabilistic

automata is a tuple

 $P\!A = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ , where:

- *Q* is the finite set of states,
- Σ is the finite set of input symbols,
- $\delta: Q \times \{\Sigma \cup \{\epsilon\}\} \mapsto \mathcal{D}(Q)$  is the transition function
- $q_0 \in Q$  is the initial state,
- *F* ⊆ *Q* is the set of final (accepting) states.



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### Definition (Bisymulation)

Two transition systems  $TS_1 = (S, \Sigma, \delta, s_0)$  i  $TS_2 = (T, \Sigma, \delta, t_0)$  are bisimilar iff there is a relation  $R \subseteq S \times T$  such that the initial states are related and for all pairs  $(s, t) \in R$  and for all  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  the following holds:

- whenever δ(s, σ) = s' then there exists t' ∈ T, such that δ(t, σ) = t' and (s', t') ∈ R, and
- whenever δ(t, σ) = t' then there exists s' ∈ S, such that δ(s, σ) = s' and (s', t') ∈ R.

States s, t are called bisimilar, denoted by  $s \approx t$ .

[5], [6], [3]

- this is a game between two persons: the Player and the Opponent
- the Player tries to prove that systems are bisimilar the Opponent intends otherwise
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Yes, they are.  $R = \{(s_0, t_0), (s_0, t_2), (s_1, t_1), (s_1, t_3)\}$ 





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No, they are not.



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# Equivalence Relation

### Proposition

Let *R* be an equivalence relation on the set *S* and let  $P_1, P_2 \in \mathcal{D}(S)$  be probability distributions. Then:

$$P_1 \equiv_R P_2 \iff \forall C \in S_{/R} : P_1[C] = P_2[C], \tag{1}$$

where C is an abstract class. [6]

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$$P_1 \equiv_{R,A} P_2 \iff \forall C \in S_{/R}, \forall a \in A : P_1[a, C] = P_2[a, C],$$

$$(2)$$

[6]

# **Bisimulation for Markov Chains**

### Definition

Equivalence relation on the set of states *Q* of Markov chain  $(Q, \delta)$  will be a bisimulation relation iff  $\forall (q, t) \in R$ :

 $\delta(q) = P_1$ , then exists  $\delta(t) = P_2$  such, that  $P_1 \equiv_R P_2$ . (3)



 $R = \{(q_0, t_0), (q_1, t_1), (q_1, t_2), (q_2, t_3), (q_2, t_4)\}$ 

# Bisimulation for PA I

### Definition

Let  $PA_1 = (S, \Sigma, \delta)$  and  $PA_2 = (T, \Sigma, \delta)$  be two probabilistic automatas, then exists a bisimulation relation  $R \subseteq S \times T$ , if for all pairs  $(s, t) \in R$  and for all  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  holds:

• if  $\delta(s, \sigma) = P_1$  then exists a probability distribution  $P_2$  such, that for  $t' \in T$  exists  $\delta(t, \sigma) = P_2$  and  $P_1 \equiv_{R,\Sigma} P_2$ . [6]



## **Bisimulation for PA II**



 $R = \{(s_0, t_0), (s_1, t_1), (s_2, t_1), (s_3, t_2), (s_43, t_2), (s_5, t_3)\}$ 



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