

*Uniform Logical Characterizations of
Testing Equivalences for Nondeterministic,
Probabilistic and Markovian Processes*

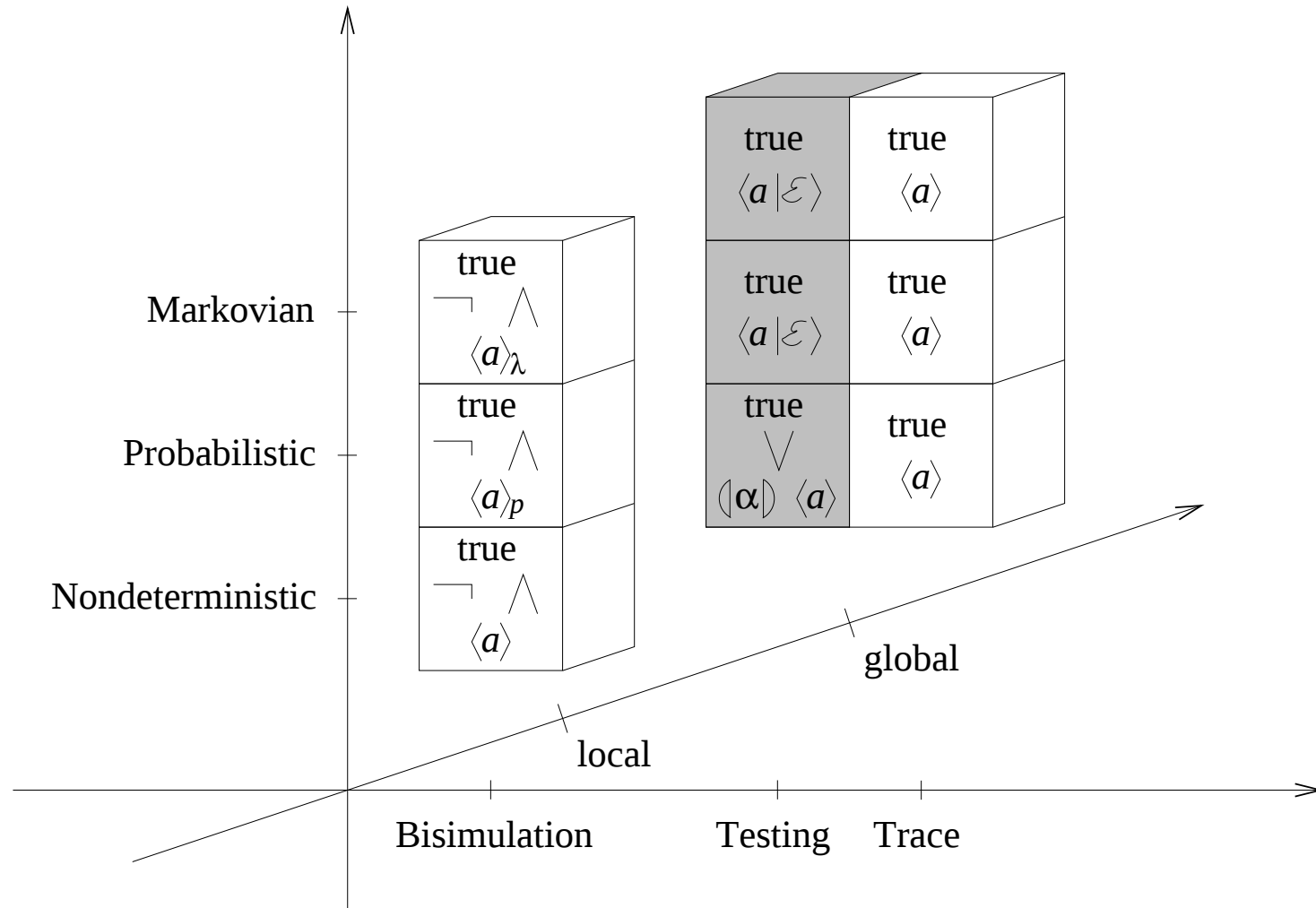
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Modal Logics for Behavioral Equivalences

- Behavioral equivalences establish whether computing systems possess the same **behavioral properties**.
- The specific set of properties that are preserved depends on the specific behavioral equivalence (bisimulation, testing, trace, ...).
- These properties can usually be **characterized by means of a modal logic**.
- Notable example: *Hennessey-Milner logic (HML) and bisimilarity*.

- Comparative study conducted in 2006 (operator set, quantitative info):



Sets of Processes

- Minimal syntax generating all finite-state processes without silent moves.
- Nondeterministic processes:

$$P ::= \underline{0} \mid a.P \mid P + P \mid A$$

- Probabilistic processes (generative):

$$P ::= \underline{0} \mid \sum_{i \in I} \langle a_i, p_i \rangle . P_i \mid A \quad p_i \in \mathbb{R}_{]0,1]}, \sum_{i \in I} p_i = 1$$

- Markovian processes (generative):

$$P ::= \underline{0} \mid \langle a, \lambda \rangle . P \mid P + P \mid A \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$$

Sets of Tests

- Introduction of a success state s .
- Nondeterministic tests:

$$\begin{aligned} T &::= s \mid T' \\ T' &::= a.T \mid T' + T' \end{aligned}$$

- Reactive tests ($w \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$):

$$\begin{aligned} T &::= s \mid T' \\ T' &::= \langle a, *_{\mathbf{w}} \rangle.T \mid T' + T' \end{aligned}$$

Testing Equivalences

- Nondeterministic testing equivalence: $P_1 \sim_{\text{NT}} P_2$ if and only if for all nondeterministic tests T

$$\begin{aligned} P_1 \text{ may pass } T &\iff P_2 \text{ may pass } T \\ P_1 \text{ must pass } T &\iff P_2 \text{ must pass } T \end{aligned}$$

- Probabilistic testing equivalence: $P_1 \sim_{\text{PT}} P_2$ if and only if for all reactive tests T

$$\text{prob}(\mathcal{SC}(P_1, T)) = \text{prob}(\mathcal{SC}(P_2, T))$$

- Markovian testing equivalence: $P_1 \sim_{\text{MT}} P_2$ if and only if for all reactive tests T and sequences $\theta \in (\mathbb{R}_{>0})^*$ of average amounts of time

$$\text{prob}(\mathcal{SC}_{\leq \theta}(P_1, T)) = \text{prob}(\mathcal{SC}_{\leq \theta}(P_2, T))$$

New Modal Characterization of $\sim_{\text{NT}}$

- Modal language syntax:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi &::= \text{true} \mid \phi' \\ \phi' &::= \langle a \rangle \phi \mid \phi' \vee \phi'\end{aligned}$$

- Actions initially occurring in a formula:

$$\begin{aligned}\textit{init}(\text{true}) &= \emptyset \\ \textit{init}(\phi_1 \vee \phi_2) &= \textit{init}(\phi_1) \cup \textit{init}(\phi_2) \\ \textit{init}(\langle a \rangle \phi) &= \{a\}\end{aligned}$$

- May-satisfy relation:

$$\begin{array}{ll}
P \models_{\text{may}} \text{true} & \\
P \models_{\text{may}} \phi_1 \vee \phi_2 & \text{if } P \models_{\text{may}} \phi_1 \text{ or } P \models_{\text{may}} \phi_2 \\
P \models_{\text{may}} \langle a \rangle \phi & \text{if there exists } P' \text{ such that } P \xrightarrow{a}_{\text{N}} P' \text{ and } P' \models_{\text{may}} \phi
\end{array}$$

- Must-satisfy relation:

$$\begin{array}{ll}
P \models_{\text{must}} \text{true} & \\
P \models_{\text{must}} \phi_1 \vee \phi_2 & \text{if } \text{init}(P) \cap (\text{init}(\phi_1) \cup \text{init}(\phi_2)) \neq \emptyset \\
& \text{and } \text{init}(P) \cap \text{init}(\phi_1) \neq \emptyset \text{ implies } P \models_{\text{must}} \phi_1 \\
& \text{and } \text{init}(P) \cap \text{init}(\phi_2) \neq \emptyset \text{ implies } P \models_{\text{must}} \phi_2 \\
P \models_{\text{must}} \langle a \rangle \phi & \text{if there exists } P' \text{ such that } P \xrightarrow{a}_{\text{N}} P' \\
& \text{and each such } P' \models_{\text{must}} \phi
\end{array}$$

- Non-standard interpretation of disjunction and diamond (must case):
 - ⊙ Should it be $P \models_{\text{must}} \phi_1 \vee \phi_2$ if $P \models_{\text{must}} \phi_1$ or $P \models_{\text{must}} \phi_2$, then we would have $a.\underline{0} + b.\underline{0} \models_{\text{must}} \langle a \rangle \text{true} \vee \langle b \rangle \langle c \rangle \text{true}$ because $a.\underline{0} + b.\underline{0} \models_{\text{must}} \langle a \rangle \text{true} \dots$
 - ⊙ ... but it is not the case that $a.\underline{0} + b.\underline{0}$ must pass $a.s + b.c.s$.
 - ⊙ Should it be $P \models_{\text{must}} \langle a \rangle \phi$ if for all P' whenever $P \xrightarrow{a}_{\text{N}} P'$ then $P' \models_{\text{must}} \phi$, then we would have $\underline{0} \models_{\text{must}} \langle a \rangle \text{true}$ because there is no P' reachable from $\underline{0}$ via $a \dots$
 - ⊙ ... but it is not the case that $\underline{0}$ must pass $a.s$.

New Modal Characterization of $\sim_{PT}$

- $\phi_1 \vee \phi_2$ now obeys $init(\phi_1) \cap init(\phi_2) = \emptyset$.
- Quantitative interpretation: $\llbracket \phi \rrbracket_{PT}(P) = 0$ for $\phi \neq \text{true}$ whenever $init(P) \cap init(\phi) = \emptyset$, otherwise

$$\llbracket \text{true} \rrbracket_{PT}(P) = 1$$

$$\llbracket \phi_1 \vee \phi_2 \rrbracket_{PT}(P) = p_1 \cdot \llbracket \phi_1 \rrbracket_{PT}(P) + p_2 \cdot \llbracket \phi_2 \rrbracket_{PT}(P)$$

$$\llbracket \langle a \rangle \phi \rrbracket_{PT}(P) = \sum_{P \xrightarrow{a,p}_P P'} \frac{p}{prob_c(P|\{a\})} \cdot \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_{PT}(P')$$

where (avoiding an overestimate):

$$p_j = \frac{prob_c(P|init(\phi_j))}{prob_c(P|init(\phi_1 \vee \phi_2))}$$

New Modal Characterization of $\sim_{\text{MT}}$

- $\phi_1 \vee \phi_2$ again obeys $\text{init}(\phi_1) \cap \text{init}(\phi_2) = \emptyset$.
- Quantitative interpretation: $\llbracket \phi \rrbracket_{\text{MT}}(P, \theta) = 0$ for $\phi \not\equiv \text{true}$ whenever $\text{init}(P) \cap \text{init}(\phi) = \emptyset$ or $\theta = \varepsilon$, otherwise

$$\llbracket \text{true} \rrbracket_{\text{MT}}(P, \theta) = 1$$

$$\llbracket \phi_1 \vee \phi_2 \rrbracket_{\text{MT}}(P, t \circ \theta) = p_1 \cdot \llbracket \phi_1 \rrbracket_{\text{MT}}(P, t_1 \circ \theta) + p_2 \cdot \llbracket \phi_2 \rrbracket_{\text{MT}}(P, t_2 \circ \theta)$$

$$\llbracket \langle a \rangle \phi \rrbracket_{\text{MT}}(P, t \circ \theta) = \begin{cases} \sum_{P \xrightarrow{a, \lambda}_{\text{M}} P'} \frac{\lambda}{\text{rate}_c(P|\{a\})} \cdot \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_{\text{MT}}(P', \theta) & \text{if } \frac{1}{\text{rate}_c(P|\{a\})} \leq t \\ 0 & \text{if } \frac{1}{\text{rate}_c(P|\{a\})} > t \end{cases}$$

where (avoiding an overestimate/underestimate):

$$\begin{aligned} p_j &= \frac{\text{rate}_c(P|\text{init}(\phi_j))}{\text{rate}_c(P|\text{init}(\phi_1 \vee \phi_2))} \\ t_j &= t + \left(\frac{1}{\text{rate}_c(P|\text{init}(\phi_j))} - \frac{1}{\text{rate}_c(P|\text{init}(\phi_1 \vee \phi_2))} \right) \end{aligned}$$

