

# Modeling & Verification

## Hennessy-Milner Logic with Recursion

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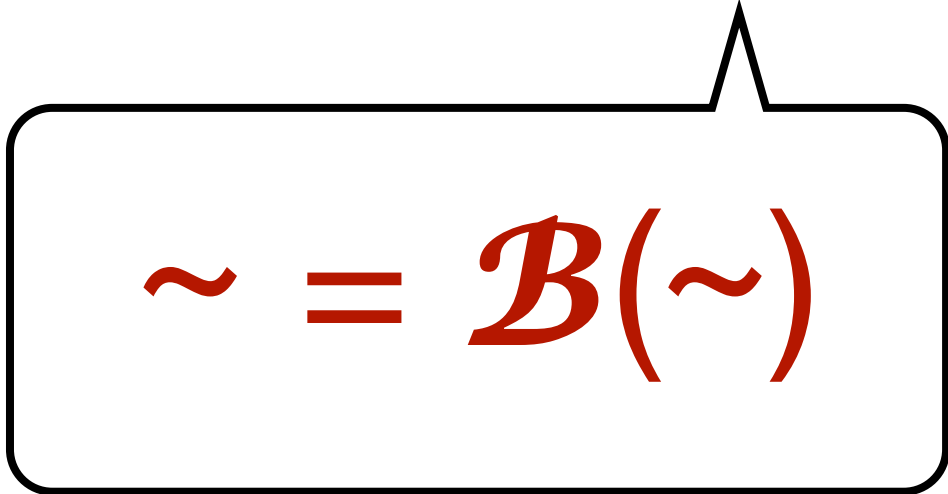
# in the last Lecture

- Limit of expressibility of Hennessy-Milner logic
- Tarski's Fixed Point Theorem (+ a bit of lattice theory)
- Computing fixed points on finite lattices

# in this Lecture

- Fixed point Characterisation of Strong Bisimilarity
- Hennessy-Milner Logic with Recursively defined Variables
- Game characterisation of HML-satisfiability
- Mutually Recursive definitions (+ Characteristic Formula)

# Strong Bisimilarity as a Fixed Point


$$\sim = \mathcal{B}(\sim)$$

# Tarski's Fixed Point Theorem

## Theorem (Tarski)

Let  $(D, \sqsubseteq)$  be a complete lattice and  $f : D \rightarrow D$  a monotonic function on  $D$ . Then

1. The set of fixed points of  $f$  is a complete lattice
2. The least and greatest fixed point of  $f$  exists and are given as follows

*(least fixed point)*

$$\text{lfp}(f) = \sqcap \{d \in D \mid f(d) \sqsubseteq d\}$$

*(greatest fixed point)*

$$\text{gfp}(f) = \sqcup \{d \in D \mid d \sqsubseteq f(d)\}$$

# Strong Bisimilarity

Let  $(\text{Proc}, \text{Act}, \{\xrightarrow{\alpha} \mid \alpha \in \text{Act}\})$  be an LTS.

## Definition (Strong Bisimulation)

A binary relation  $R \subseteq \text{Proc} \times \text{Proc}$  is a *strong bisimulation* iff whenever  $s R t$ , for each  $\alpha \in \text{Act}$

- if  $s \xrightarrow{\alpha} s'$ , then  $t \xrightarrow{\alpha} t'$ , for some  $t'$  such that  $s' R t'$
- if  $t \xrightarrow{\alpha} t'$ , then  $s \xrightarrow{\alpha} s'$ , for some  $s'$  such that  $s' R t'$

## Definition (Strong Bisimilarity)

Two states  $s, t \in \text{Proc}$  are *strongly bisimilar* ( $s \sim t$ ) iff there exists a strong bisimulation  $R$  such that  $s R t$ .

$$\sim = \bigcup \{R \mid R \text{ is a strong bisimulation}\}$$

# Fixed Point Operator

We would like to define an operator on relations:

$$\mathcal{B} : 2^{\text{Proc} \times \text{Proc}} \longrightarrow 2^{\text{Proc} \times \text{Proc}}$$

## Definition (Bisimulation Operator)

Let  $R \subseteq \text{Proc} \times \text{Proc}$ . Then define  $\mathcal{B}(R)$  as follows:

$(s, t) \in \mathcal{B}(R)$  iff for each  $\alpha \in \text{Act}$

- if  $s \xrightarrow{\alpha} s'$ , then  $t \xrightarrow{\alpha} t'$ , for some  $t'$  such that  $(s', t') \in R$
- if  $t \xrightarrow{\alpha} t'$ , then  $s \xrightarrow{\alpha} s'$ , for some  $s'$  such that  $(s', t') \in R$ .

# Bisimilarity is a Fixed Point

## Observations

- $(2^{\text{Proc} \times \text{Proc}}, \subseteq)$  is a complete lattice
- the function  $\mathcal{B}$  is monotonic
- $R$  is a strong bisimulation iff  $R \subseteq \mathcal{B}(R)$

## Theorem

Strong bisimilarity is the greatest fixed point of  $\mathcal{B}$

$$\sim = \cup \{ R \mid R \subseteq \mathcal{B}(R) \} = \text{gfp}(\mathcal{B})$$



# **HML with Recursively defined Variables**

# HML with Recursion

Formulae of HML with recursively defined variables are defined by means of the following grammar

$$\phi ::= X \mid tt \mid ff \mid \phi \wedge \phi \mid \phi \vee \phi \mid \langle a \rangle \phi \mid [a] \phi$$

recursive variable  $X \in \mathbb{X}$

where each variable  $X$  is associated with a *unique* recursive equation of either one of the two following form:

$$X^{\text{min}} = \phi_X \quad \text{or} \quad X^{\text{max}} = \phi_X$$

such that  $\phi_X$  is a formula of the logic (possibly containing  $X$ ).

# Semantics of HML

For each formula  $\phi$ , we want to define  $\llbracket \phi \rrbracket \subseteq \text{Proc}$  as the set of all states that satisfy the formula  $\phi$

$$\llbracket X \rrbracket = ??$$

$$\llbracket tt \rrbracket = \text{Proc}$$

$$\llbracket ff \rrbracket = \emptyset$$

$$\llbracket \phi \wedge \psi \rrbracket = \llbracket \phi \rrbracket \cap \llbracket \psi \rrbracket$$

$$\llbracket \phi \vee \psi \rrbracket = \llbracket \phi \rrbracket \cup \llbracket \psi \rrbracket$$

$$\llbracket \langle a \rangle \phi \rrbracket = \langle \cdot a \cdot \rangle \llbracket \phi \rrbracket$$

$$\llbracket [a] \phi \rrbracket = [\cdot a \cdot] \llbracket \phi \rrbracket$$

it should be the solution of the recursive equation it is associated with

# Semantics of Variables

Assume for the moment that we have *only one* recursively defined variable, say  $X$ , with associated recursive definition

$$X \equiv \phi_X$$

Recall that this means  
 $\llbracket X \rrbracket = \llbracket \phi_X \rrbracket$

## Example

Assume that  $\phi_X = [a]ff \vee \langle a \rangle X$ . Then,

$$X \equiv \phi_X \quad \text{iff} \quad \llbracket X \rrbracket = [\cdot a \cdot] \llbracket ff \rrbracket \cup \langle \cdot a \cdot \rangle \llbracket X \rrbracket$$

It has the form of a fixed point!  
 $\llbracket X \rrbracket = \mathcal{O}(\llbracket X \rrbracket)$

Hence we can use the denotational semantics of formulae to induce an operator  $\mathcal{O}_\phi: 2^{\text{Proc}} \rightarrow 2^{\text{Proc}}$  on the lattice  $(2^{\text{Proc}}, \subseteq)$

# Definition of $\mathcal{O}_\phi$

Formally, the operator  $\mathcal{O}_\phi: 2^{\text{Proc}} \rightarrow 2^{\text{Proc}}$  is defined as follows, for arbitrary  $S \subseteq \text{Proc}$

$$\mathcal{O}_x(S) = S$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\text{tt}}(S) = \text{Proc}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\text{ff}}(S) = \emptyset$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\phi \wedge \psi}(S) = \mathcal{O}_\phi(S) \cap \mathcal{O}_\psi(S)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\phi \vee \psi}(S) = \mathcal{O}_\phi(S) \cup \mathcal{O}_\psi(S)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\langle a \rangle \phi}(S) = \langle \cdot a \cdot \rangle \mathcal{O}_\phi(S)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{[a] \phi}(S) = [\cdot a \cdot] \mathcal{O}_\phi(S)$$

For each formula  $\phi$  the operator  $\mathcal{O}_\phi$  is *monotonic*:

$S \subseteq S'$  implies  $\mathcal{O}_\phi(S) \subseteq \mathcal{O}_\phi(S')$

# Semantics of Variables

## Observation

$(2^{\text{Proc}}, \subseteq)$  is a **complete lattice** and  $\mathcal{O}_\phi : 2^{\text{Proc}} \rightarrow 2^{\text{Proc}}$  is **monotonic**. So, by Tarski's fixed point theorem, it has unique greatest and least fixed points!

## Semantics of the variable $X$

- If  $X \stackrel{\min}{=} \phi$ , then  $\llbracket X \rrbracket = \bigcap \{ S \subseteq \text{Proc} \mid \mathcal{O}_\phi(S) \subseteq S \}$

least  
fixed point

- If  $X \stackrel{\max}{=} \phi$ , then  $\llbracket X \rrbracket = \bigcup \{ S \subseteq \text{Proc} \mid S \subseteq \mathcal{O}_\phi(S) \}$

greatest  
fixed point

# Recursive Properties

- **Pos**( $\phi$ ):  $X \stackrel{\min}{=} \phi \vee \langle \text{Act} \rangle X$  possibly  $\phi$
- **Inv**( $\phi$ ):  $X \stackrel{\max}{=} \phi \wedge [\text{Act}]X$  invariantly  $\phi$

in all paths,  $\phi$  is *eventually* satisfied

- **Even**( $\phi$ ):  $X \stackrel{\min}{=} \phi \vee (\langle \text{Act} \rangle \text{tt} \wedge [\text{Act}]X)$
- **Safe**( $\phi$ ):  $X \stackrel{\max}{=} \phi \wedge ([\text{Act}]\text{ff} \vee \langle \text{Act} \rangle X)$

exists a path where  $\phi$  is always satisfied

where  $\phi^c$  is the complement of  $\phi$

**Note that ...**

$$\text{Inv}(\phi^c) = \text{Pos}(\phi)^c \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Safe}(\phi^c) = \text{Even}(\phi)^c$$

# Strong & Weak Until

It is also possible to express that  $\phi$  should be satisfied in each transition step until  $\psi$  becomes true

## Strong Until

$$\phi \mathcal{U}^s \psi: \quad X \stackrel{\min}{=} \psi \vee (\phi \wedge \langle \text{Act} \rangle \text{tt} \wedge [\text{Act}]X)$$

*"all paths reach a state where  $\psi$  is satisfied and  $\phi$  must hold until this happens"*

## Weak Until

$$\phi \mathcal{U}^w \psi: \quad X \stackrel{\max}{=} \psi \vee (\phi \wedge [\text{Act}]X)$$

*"in all paths,  $\phi$  must hold until it is reached a state where  $\psi$  is satisfied (but maybe this will never happen!)"*



# Examples

Note that ...

$$\text{Inv}(\phi) = \phi \mathcal{U}^w \text{ff} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Even}(\phi) = \text{tt} \mathcal{U}^s \phi$$

$$\text{Inv}(\phi): \quad X^{\max} = \phi \wedge [\text{Act}]X$$

$$\phi \mathcal{U}^w \text{ff}: \quad X^{\max} = \text{ff} \vee (\phi \wedge [\text{Act}]X)$$

$$\text{Even}(\phi): \quad X^{\min} = \phi \vee (\langle \text{Act} \rangle \text{tt} \wedge [\text{Act}]X)$$

$$\text{tt} \mathcal{U}^s \phi: \quad X^{\min} = \phi \vee (\text{tt} \wedge \langle \text{Act} \rangle \text{tt} \wedge [\text{Act}]X)$$

# Game Semantics for HML



satisfiability proven or disproven  
by playing a game!

# Game Characterisation

**Intuition:** **attacker** is aiming to prove  $s \not\models \phi$ ,  
while **defender** is aiming to prove  $s \models \phi$ .

The *configurations* of the game are pairs of the form  $(s, \phi)$

## Definition (Next Configuration)

- $(s, \text{tt})$  and  $(s, \text{ff})$  have no successor
- $(s, \phi \wedge \psi)$  and  $(s, \phi \vee \psi)$  have as successors:  $(s, \phi)$  and  $(s, \psi)$
- $(s, \langle a \rangle \phi)$  and  $(s, [a] \phi)$  have as successor all configurations of the form  $(s', \phi)$ , for all  $s'$  such that  $s \xrightarrow{a} s'$
- $(s, X)$  has as unique successor  $(s, \phi_X)$ , for  $X \stackrel{\min}{=} \phi_X$  or  $X \stackrel{\max}{=} \phi_X$

# The rules of the Game

The game starts from the configuration  $(s, \phi)$  and the next configuration is selected according to the following rules:

## Rules of the game

- **Attacker** picks a successor configuration whenever the current configuration is of the form  $(s, \phi \wedge \psi)$  or  $(s, [a]\phi)$
- **Defender** picks a successor configuration whenever the current configuration is of the form  $(s, \phi \vee \psi)$  or  $(s, \langle a \rangle \phi)$ .
- If the current configuration is of the form  $(s, X)$ , then the configuration is uniquely determined

A *play* is a maximal sequence of configuration following the rules.

# Winning Conditions

## Finite play

- **Attacker** wins if **defender** gets stuck (i.e., there are no next configurations) or the configuration (s,ff) is reached.
- **Defender** wins if **attacker** gets stuck (i.e., there are no next configurations) or the configuration (s,tt) is reached.

## Infinite play

- **Attacker** wins if  $X$  is defined as  $X^{\min} = \phi_X$ .
- **Defender** wins if  $X$  is defined as  $X^{\max} = \phi_X$ .

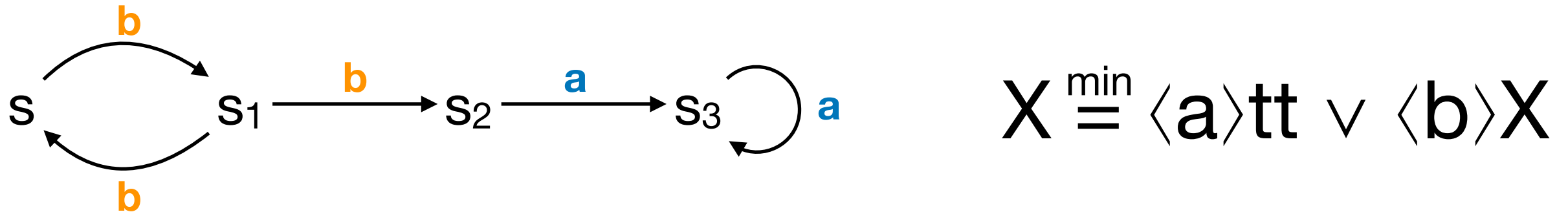
# Semantics via a Game

A universal strategy is a "game plot" that takes into consideration all the possible available moves that the opponent player can do.

## Theorem

- $s \models \phi$  iff **defender** has a universal winning strategy starting from  $(s, \phi)$ .
- $s \not\models \phi$  iff **attacker** has a universal winning strategy starting from  $(s, \phi)$ .

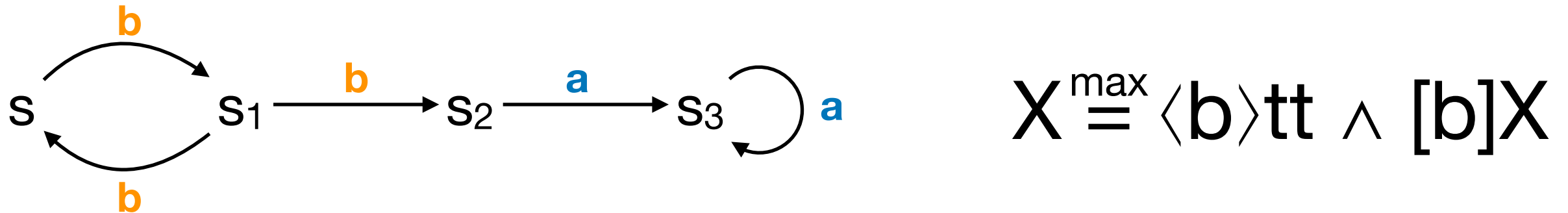
# Example 1



We show that  $s \models X$  by defining a universal winning strategy for **defender** starting from  $(s, X)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (s, X) &\longrightarrow (s, \langle a \rangle tt \vee \langle b \rangle X) \xrightarrow{D} (s, \langle b \rangle X) \xrightarrow{D} (s_1, X) \\
 &\longrightarrow (s_1, \langle a \rangle tt \vee \langle b \rangle X) \xrightarrow{D} (s_1, \langle b \rangle X) \xrightarrow{D} (s_2, X) \\
 &\longrightarrow (s_2, \langle a \rangle tt \vee \langle b \rangle X) \xrightarrow{D} (s_2, \langle a \rangle tt) \xrightarrow{D} (s_3, tt) \quad \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$

# Example 2

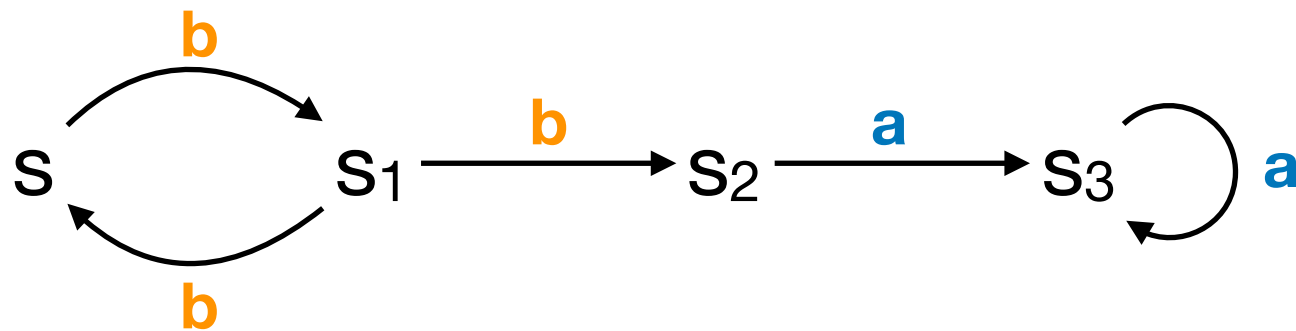


We show that  $s \not\models X$  by defining a universal winning strategy for **attacker** starting from  $(s, X)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (s, X) &\longrightarrow (s, \langle b \rangle tt \wedge [b]X) \xrightarrow{A} (s, [b]X) \xrightarrow{A} (s_1, X) \\
 &\longrightarrow (s_1, \langle b \rangle tt \wedge [b]X) \xrightarrow{A} (s_1, [b]X) \xrightarrow{A} (s_2, X) \\
 &\longrightarrow (s_2, \langle b \rangle tt \wedge [b]X) \xrightarrow{A} (s_2, \langle b \rangle tt) \longrightarrow \text{ } \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$



# Example 3



$$X^{\max} = \langle a \rangle tt \wedge [a]X$$

We show that  $s_2 \models X$  by defining a universal winning strategy for **defender** starting from  $(s_2, X)$

From  $(s_2, X)$ :  $(s_2, X) \longrightarrow (s_2, \langle a \rangle tt \wedge [a]X)$

- if  $(s_2, \langle a \rangle tt \wedge [a]X) \xrightarrow{A} (s_2, \langle a \rangle tt)$ , then  $(s_2, \langle a \rangle tt) \xrightarrow{D} (s_3, tt)$  ✓
- if  $(s_2, \langle a \rangle tt \wedge [a]X) \xrightarrow{A} (s_2, [a]X)$ , then  $(s_2, [a]X) \xrightarrow{A} (s_3, X)$

From  $(s_3, X)$ :  $(s_3, X) \longrightarrow (s_3, \langle a \rangle tt \wedge [a]X)$

- if  $(s_3, \langle a \rangle tt \wedge [a]X) \xrightarrow{A} (s_3, \langle a \rangle tt)$ , then  $(s_3, \langle a \rangle tt) \xrightarrow{D} (s_3, tt)$  ✓
- if  $(s_3, \langle a \rangle tt \wedge [a]X) \xrightarrow{A} (s_3, [a]X)$ , then  $(s_3, [a]X) \xrightarrow{A} (s_3, X)$  ... ✓

# Mutually Recursive Equational Systems



More than one variable!

# More than One Variable

## Nested Definitions of Recursive Variables

$$X \stackrel{\min}{=} Y \vee \langle \text{Act} \rangle X \qquad Y \stackrel{\max}{=} \langle a \rangle \text{tt} \wedge \langle \text{Act} \rangle Y$$

In this case, we can compute the solution of  $X$  and  $Y$  (i.e., their semantics) by first compute  $\langle\langle Y \rangle\rangle$  and then  $\langle\langle X \rangle\rangle$ .

## Mutually Recursive Definitions

$$X \stackrel{\max}{=} [a]Y \qquad Y \stackrel{\max}{=} \langle a \rangle X$$

In this case, we need to consider the complete lattice  $(2^{\text{Proc}} \times 2^{\text{Proc}}, \sqsubseteq)$ , where  $(S, S') \sqsubseteq (Q, Q')$  iff  $S \subseteq Q$  and  $S' \subseteq Q'$ .

# Mutual Recursion

In general, a mutually recursive equational system has the form

$$D = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} X_1 = \phi_1 , \\ \vdots \\ X_n = \phi_n . \end{array} \right.$$

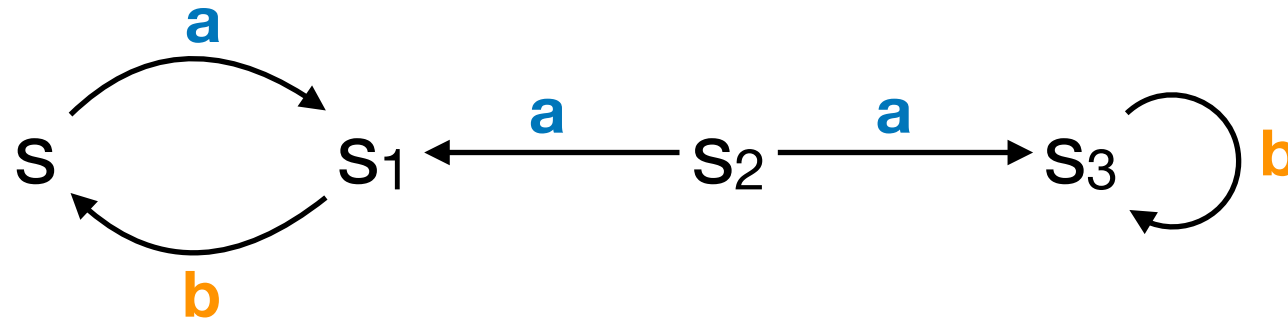
formulas can contain  
any of the variables  $X_i$

The semantic function that  
is used to obtain the  
*largest* or *least* solution

$$\mathcal{O}_D(S_1, \dots, S_n) = ( \mathcal{O}_{\phi_1}(S_1, \dots, S_n), \dots, \mathcal{O}_{\phi_n}(S_1, \dots, S_n) )$$

$$\text{where } \mathcal{O}_{X_i}(S_1, \dots, S_n) = S_i \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n$$

# Example



$$D = \begin{cases} X^{\max} \langle a \rangle Y \wedge [a]Y \wedge [b]ff \\ Y^{\max} \langle b \rangle X \wedge [b]Y \wedge [a]ff \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_D(S_1, S_2) =$$

$$(\langle \cdot a \cdot \rangle S_2 \cap [\cdot a \cdot] S_2 \cap \{s, s_2\}, \langle \cdot b \cdot \rangle S_1 \cap [\cdot a \cdot] S_2 \cap \{s_1, s_3\})$$

hence, to compute the *largest solution* of D we can use the iterative algorithm for computing the *largest fixed point*

# Characteristic Property

Once we have recursive variables and the possibility of mutually recursive definitions (hence a system of equations) we obtain

## Theorem (Characteristic Formula)

Let  $(\text{Proc}, \text{Act}, \{\xrightarrow{a} \mid a \in \text{Act}\})$  be a *finite* LTS and  $s \in \text{Proc}$ .

Then, the formula

$$X_s^{\max} = \bigwedge_{a, s \xrightarrow{a} t} \langle a \rangle X_t \wedge \bigwedge_a [a] \left( \bigvee_{s \xrightarrow{a} t} X_t \right)$$

is the *characteristic property* for  $s$ , i.e., for each  $t \in \text{Proc}$ ,

$$t \models X_s \quad \text{iff} \quad t \sim s$$

**next time...**

**First Mini-Project**