Definition (Obedience)

Given the decision policy $P = \langle \mathcal{U}, T : \text{Sequences}(\mathcal{Y}) \to \mathcal{U} \cup \{\epsilon\} \rangle$, we say that an ISFSM $\langle \Sigma, \Gamma, S, s_0, \delta, \omega \rangle$ **obeys** the policy P if for every finite sequence $y_1, \ldots, y_n \in \mathcal{Y}$, there exists a sequence $s_0, \ldots s_{n-1} \subseteq S$ such that

$$s_i = \delta(s_{i-1}, y_i)$$
 for all $i = 1, \dots, n$

and

$$T(y_1,\ldots,y_n)=\omega(s_{n-1},y_n) \quad \text{or} \quad T(y_1,\ldots,y_n)=\epsilon.$$

Example (Obedience)

