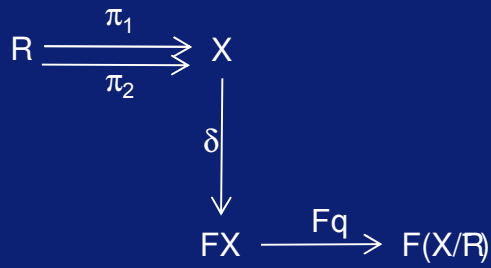


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Coalgebraic bisimulation-up-to

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Motivation

- **Bisimulation:** To prove that x and y are bisimilar, it suffices to show that x and y are related by a relation which is a bisimulation.
- **Bisimulation-up-to:** To prove that x and y are bisimilar, it suffices to show that x and y are related by a relation which is **almost** a bisimulation.
 - Bisimulation up to bisimilarity
 - Bisimulation up to equivalence
 - Bisimulation up to congruence
 - Several combinations of the above
- **Coalgebra:** Several notions of bisimilarity

Modular proofs

Smaller proofs

Equational reasoning



Historical motivation

- 1983: Robin Milner Bisimulation up to bisimilarity for labelled transition systems
- 1998-2007: Sangiorgi, Pous Several enhancements of the bisimulation proof method for labelled transition systems
- 1999: Marina Lenisa Coalgebraic bisimulation up to: *some results, some problems*
- 2004: Falk Bartels Bisimulation up to contextual closure.
- 2013: Bonchi, Pous Bisimulation up to congruence for DFA



From bisimulation ...

F-bisimulation

$R \subseteq X \times X$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} X & \xleftarrow{\pi_1} & R & \xrightarrow{\pi_2} & X \\ \downarrow \delta & & \downarrow \exists \gamma & & \downarrow \delta \\ FX & \xleftarrow{F\pi_1} & FR & \xrightarrow{F\pi_2} & FX \end{array}$$

Bisimilarity \sim is the **largest** bisimulation



Example: deterministic automata

$$\underline{F = 2 \times \text{id}^A}$$

$$\langle o, t \rangle: X \rightarrow 2 \times X^A$$

$o(x) = 1$ iff x is **accepting**

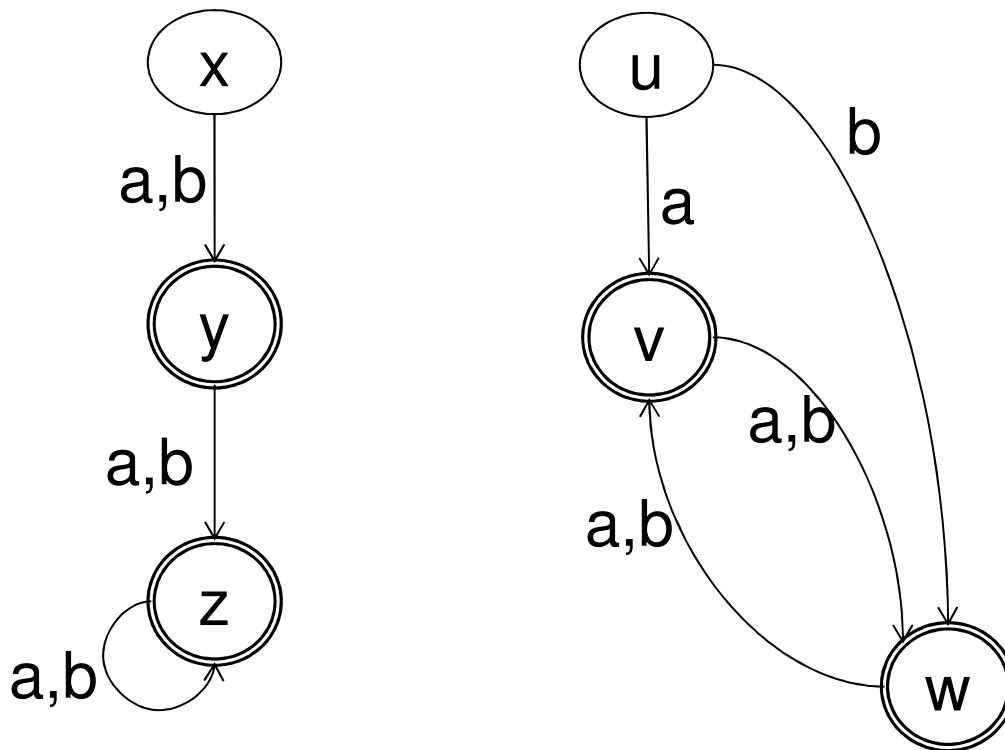
$$x_a = t(x)(a)$$

F-bisimulation: $R \subseteq X \times X$ such that

$(x, y) \in R$ implies $o(x) = o(y)$ and $\forall a. (x_a, y_a) \in R$

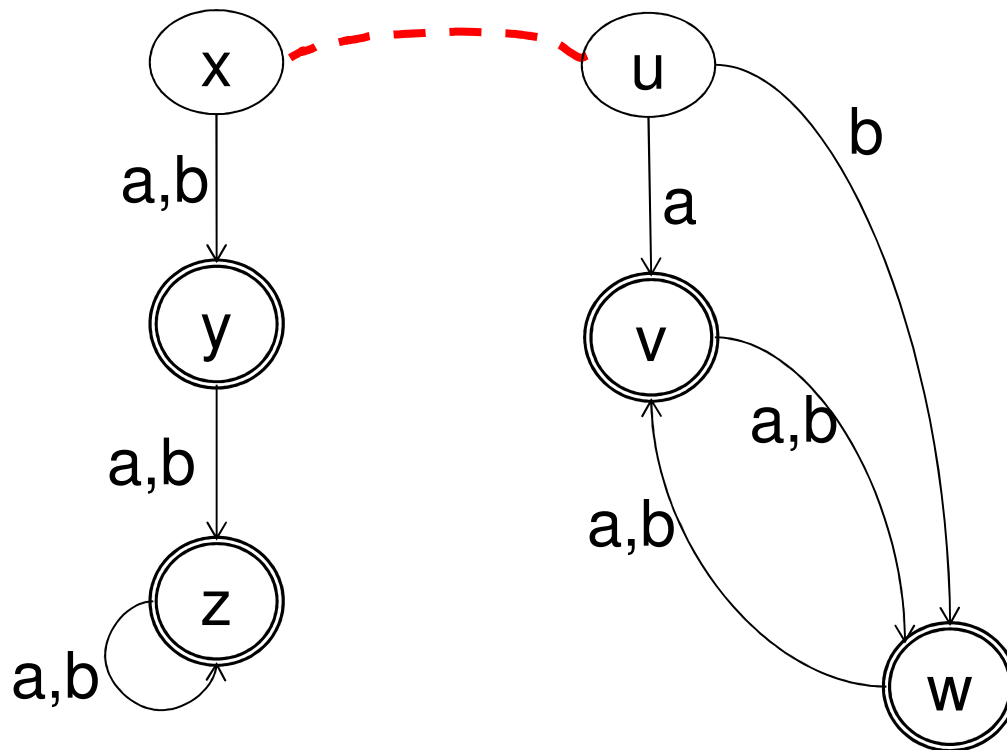


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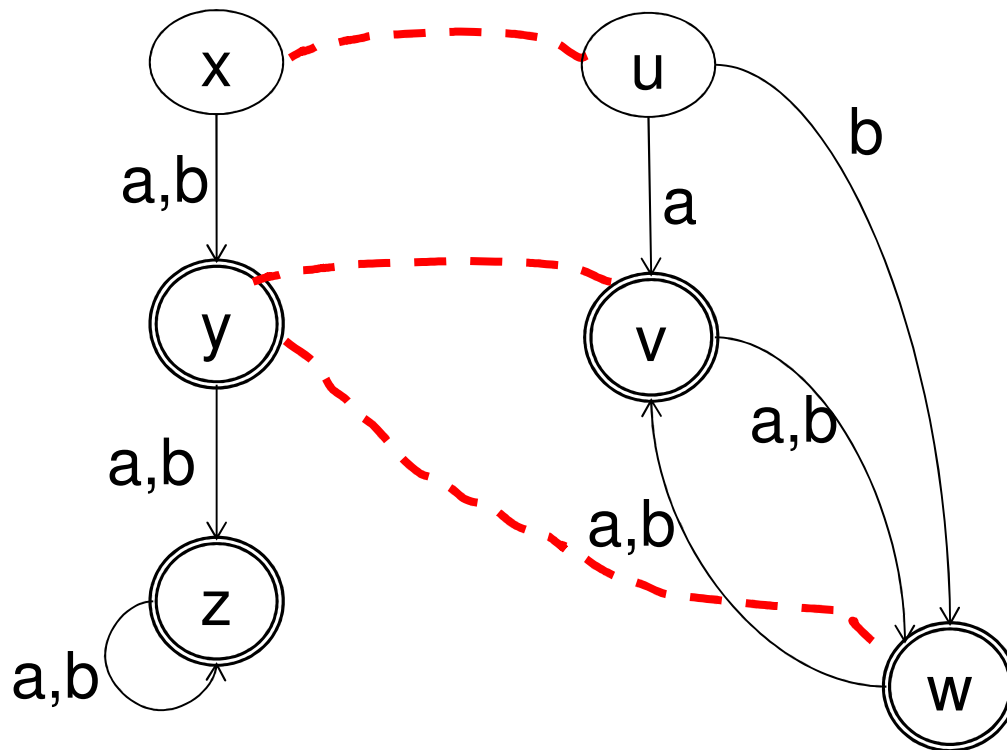
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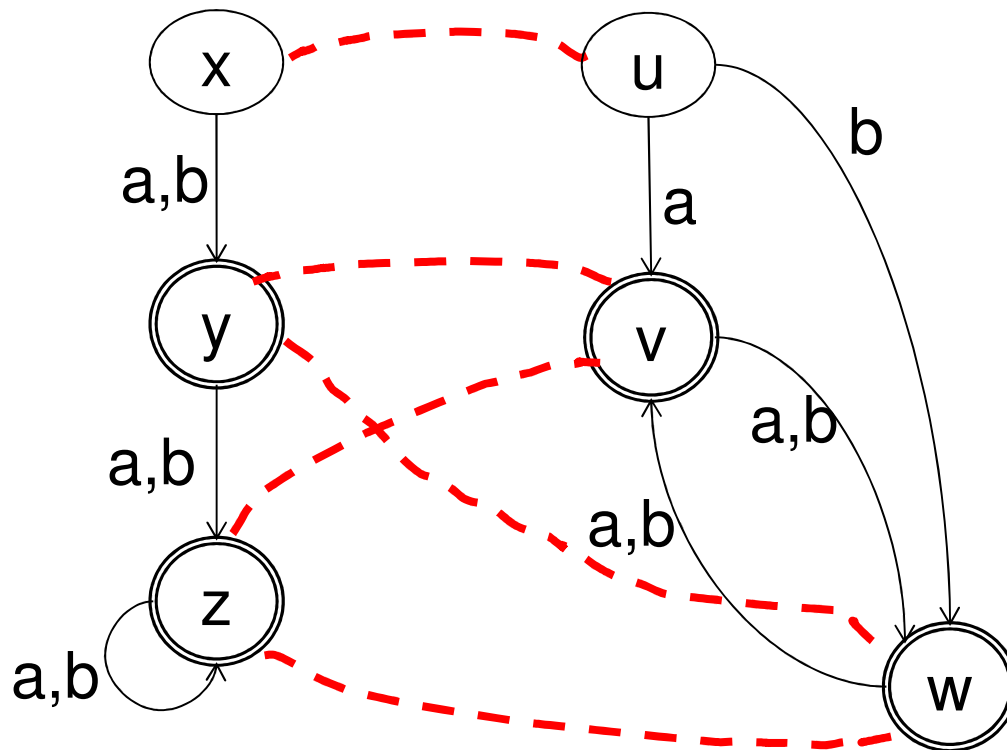
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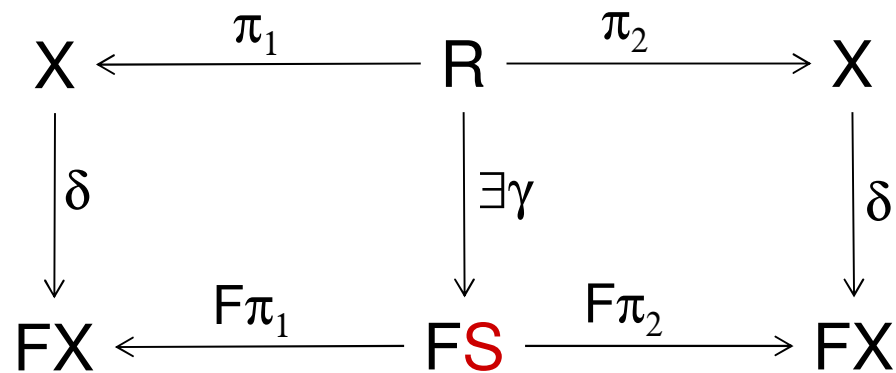
$$R = \{ (x,u), (y,v), (y,w), (z,w), (z,v) \}$$



... to progression ...

- R progress to S

$$R, S \subseteq X \times X$$



... to bisimulation-up-to

- F-bisimulation up to f

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$$f: \mathcal{P}(X \times X) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X \times X)$$

- F-bisimulation up to **identity** is just F-bisimulation!



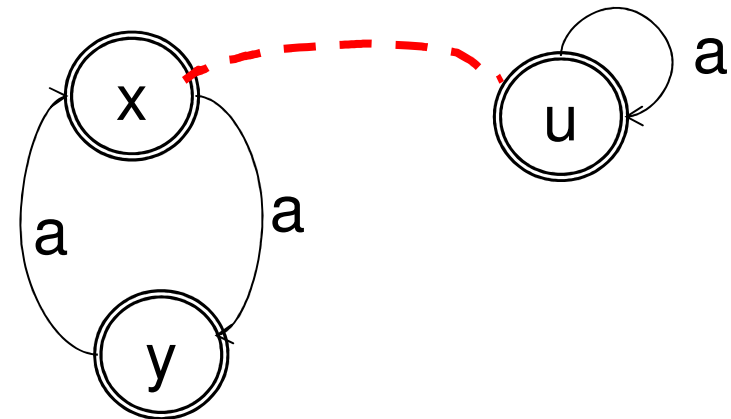
Example: deterministic automata

Let $S \subseteq X \times X$ be a set of **assumptions**

Bisimulation up to union with S: $R \subseteq X \times X$ such that
 $(x,y) \in R$ implies $o(x) = o(y)$ and $\forall a. (x_a, y_a) \in R \cup S$

$R = \{(x,u)\}$ is

not a bisimulation!

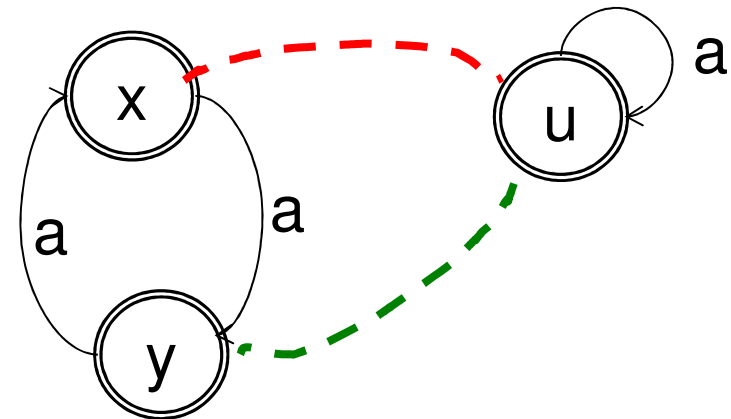


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$R = \{(x, u)\}$ is a bisimulation
up to **union with $S = \{(u, y)\}$**
... but **not** a bisimulation!



Soundness

- A bisimulation up to f is **sound** for a coalgebra (X, δ) if $R \subseteq \sim_\delta$ for all R that progress to $f(R)$.

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Bisimulation up to union

If $S \subseteq \sim$ then **bisimulation up to union** with S is sound

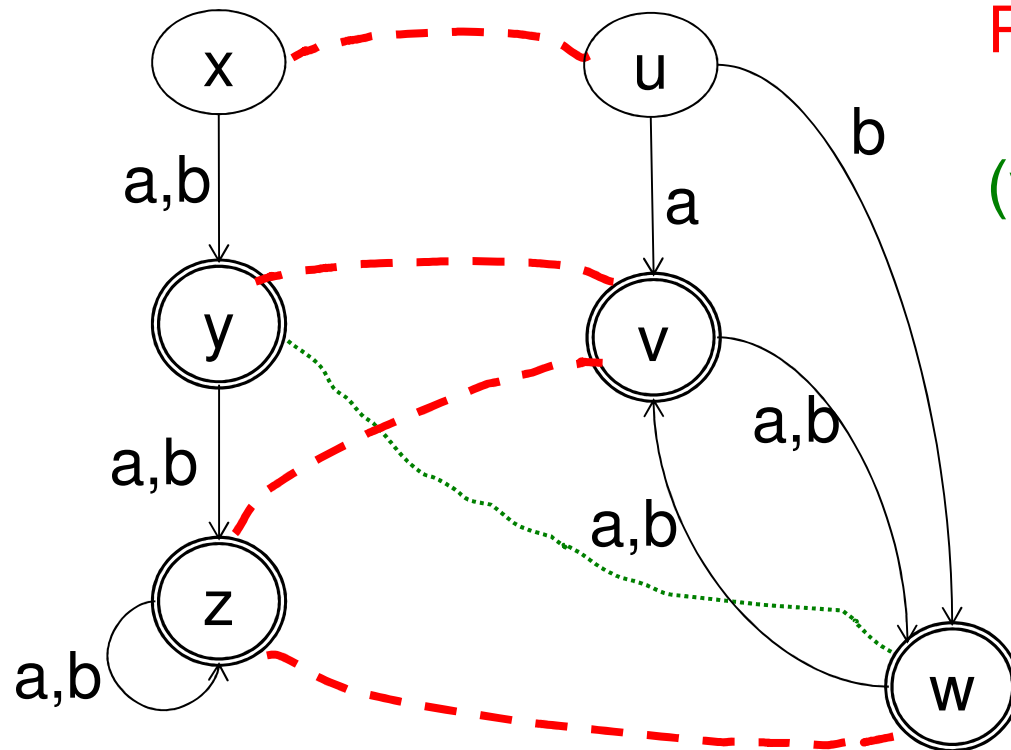
i.e. if our assumptions in S are true than what we can prove using those assumptions is also true.



Bisimulation up to equivalence

$$f(R) = e(R)$$

equivalence closure of R



$$R = \{ (x,u), (y,v), (z,w), (z,v) \}$$

$$(y,w) \in e(R)$$



Bisimulation up to union & equivalence

$$f(R) = e(R \cup S)$$

equivalence closure of $R \cup S$

Bisimulation up to union with \sim and equivalence generalizes bisimulation up to bisimilarity:

$$\sim \circ R \circ \sim \subseteq \text{equivalence closure of } (R \cup \sim)$$

It allows shorter and modular proofs



Bisimulation up to context

■ $F: \text{Set} \rightarrow \text{Set}$

$T: \text{Set} \rightarrow \text{Set}$ monad

- The **contextual closure** of $R \subseteq X \times X$ for a T -algebra $\alpha: TX \rightarrow X$ is $c_\alpha(R) = \langle \alpha \circ T\pi_1, \alpha \circ T\pi_2 \rangle (TR)$

$t_1 c_\alpha(R) t_2$ if and only if we can obtain one from the other by substituting variables related by R .

$$\frac{s R t}{s c(R) t}$$

$$\frac{s_i R t_i \quad \text{for all } i}{\text{op}(s_1, \dots, s_n) c(R) \text{op}(t_1, \dots, t_n)}$$



Bisimulation up to context

Bisimulation up to contextual closure is sound for λ -bialgebras where λ is a distributive law of a monad T over a functor F . [Bartels 2004]

But bisimulation up to contextual closure becomes interesting only in the final coalgebra or in combination with up-to-bisimilarity or up-to-equivalence!



Example: Languages

- $FX = 2 \times \text{id}^A$

- **Algebra** Union, concatenation, Kleene star

- **Coalgebra** $o(L) = 1$ iff $\varepsilon \in L$

$$L_a = \{ w \mid aw \in L \}$$



Example: Arden's theorem

- **Theorem:** If $L = K \cdot L \cup M$ and $\epsilon \notin K$ then $L = K^* \cdot M$.

Proof: It is enough to prove that $R = \{ (L, K^* \cdot M) \}$ is a bisimulation **up to context**. Clearly $o(L) = o(K^* \cdot M)$. Further, for every $a \in A$:

$$\begin{aligned} L_a &= (K \cdot L \cup M)_a && [\text{because } (X \cup Y)_a = (X)_a \cup (Y)_a] \\ &= (K \cdot L)_a \cup M_a && [\text{because } (X \cdot Y)_a = X_a \cdot Y \text{ if } \epsilon \notin X] \\ &= K_a \cdot L \cup M_a && [\text{coinduction}] \\ &\mathbf{c(R)} \quad K_a \cdot K^* \cdot M \cup M_a && [\text{because } (X^*)_a = X_a \cdot X^*] \\ &= (K^*)_a \cdot M \cup M_a && [\text{because } (X \cdot Y)_a = X_a \cdot Y \cup Y_a \text{ if } \epsilon \in X] \\ &= (K^* \cdot M)_a \end{aligned}$$



Another example: streams

■ $FX = \mathbb{R} \times X$ $TX = t ::= x \mid \underline{r} \mid -t \mid t \oplus t \mid t \otimes t \mid t^{-1}$

■ Bialgebras $TTX \rightarrow TX \rightarrow FTX$

■ Behavioral differential equations (i.e. distributive law)

$$\mathbf{o}(\underline{r}) = r$$

$$(r)' = \underline{0}$$

$$\mathbf{o}(\sigma_1 \oplus \sigma_2) = \mathbf{o}(\sigma_1) + \mathbf{o}(\sigma_2)$$

$$(\sigma_1 \oplus \sigma_2)' = \sigma_1' \oplus \sigma_2'$$

$$\mathbf{o}(-\sigma) = -\mathbf{o}(\sigma)$$

$$(-\sigma)' = -\sigma'$$

$$\mathbf{o}(\sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_2) = \mathbf{o}(\sigma_1) \cdot \mathbf{o}(\sigma_2)$$

$$(\sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_2)' = (\sigma_1' \otimes \sigma_2) \oplus (\sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_2')$$

$$\mathbf{o}(\sigma^{-1}) = \mathbf{o}(\sigma)^{-1}$$

$$(\sigma^{-1})' = -\sigma' \otimes (\sigma^{-1} \otimes \sigma^{-1})$$



Bisimulation up to union, context & equivalence

- $f(R) = e(c(r(R \cup S)))$ least congruence containing R and S

$$R = \{(\sigma \otimes \sigma^{-1}, 1) \mid \sigma \in T(\mathbb{R}^\omega), \mathbf{o}(\sigma) \neq 0\}$$

$$S = \{(\sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_2, \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1) \\ (\sigma_1 \otimes (\sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_3), (\sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_2) \otimes \sigma_3) \\ (\sigma \otimes 1, \sigma) \\ (\sigma \oplus -\sigma, 0)\}$$

commutative

associative

1 as unit

sum inverse



Bisimulation up to union, context & equivalence

- $\mathbf{o}(\sigma \otimes \sigma^{-1}) = \mathbf{o}(\sigma) \cdot \mathbf{o}(\sigma^{-1}) = \mathbf{o}(\sigma) \cdot \mathbf{o}(\sigma)^{-1} = 1 = \mathbf{o}(1)$

- $(\sigma \otimes \sigma^{-1})' = (\sigma' \otimes \sigma^{-1}) \oplus (\sigma \otimes (\sigma^{-1})')$ definition \otimes
 $= (\sigma' \otimes \sigma^{-1}) \oplus (\sigma \otimes (-\sigma' \otimes (\sigma^{-1} \otimes \sigma^{-1})))$ definition $(-)^{-1}$
 $\mathbf{c}(S)^* (\sigma' \otimes \sigma^{-1}) \oplus (-(\sigma' \otimes \sigma^{-1}) \otimes (\sigma \otimes \sigma^{-1}))$ associativity
 $\mathbf{c}(R) (\sigma' \otimes \sigma^{-1}) \oplus (-(\sigma' \otimes \sigma^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{1})$ **coinduction**
 $\mathbf{c}(S)^* (\sigma' \otimes \sigma^{-1}) \oplus -(\sigma' \otimes \sigma^{-1})$ unit of \otimes
 $\mathbf{c}(S)^* 0$ sum inverse
 $= \mathbf{1}'$ definition 1

Thus R is a bisimulation-up-to union, context & equivalence
 but **not** a bisimulation.



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definition

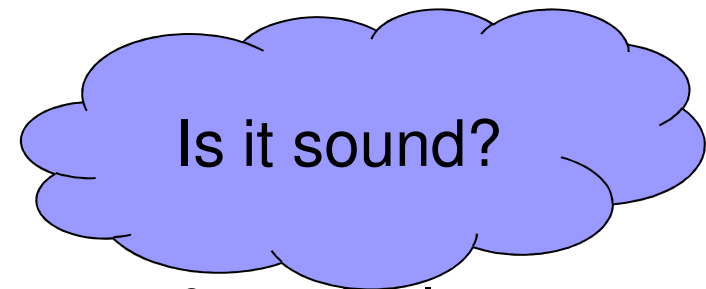
$$\mathbf{c}(S)^* (\sigma' \otimes \sigma^{-1}) \oplus (-(\sigma' \otimes \sigma^{-1}) \otimes (\sigma \otimes \sigma^{-1}))$$
associativity

$$\mathbf{c}(R) (\sigma' \otimes \sigma^{-1}) \oplus (-(\sigma' \otimes \sigma^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{1})$$
coinduction

$$\mathbf{c}(S)^* (\sigma' \otimes \sigma^{-1}) \oplus -(\sigma' \otimes \sigma^{-1})$$

$$\mathbf{c}(S)^* 0$$

$$= \mathbf{1}'$$



Thus R is a bisimulation-up-to union, context & equivalence but **not** a bisimulation.



Soundness of bisimulation up to techniques

- Bisimulation up to equivalence is **not sound** in general.
- Bisimulation up to bisimilarity is **not sound** in general.
- **Composition** of sound techniques needs not to be sound.



Bisimulation up to equivalence is not sound

- $FX = \{ (x_1, x_2, x_3) \in X^3 \mid x_1 = x_2 \text{ or } x_1 = x_3 \text{ or } x_2 = x_3 \}$

X	\rightarrow	FX
0	\mapsto	(0,1,0)
1	\mapsto	(0,0,1)
2	\mapsto	(0,0,0)

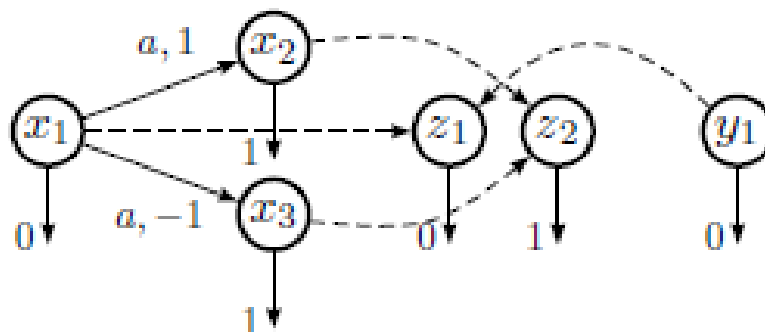
R	\rightarrow	$Fe(R)$
(2,0)	\mapsto	((0,0),(0,1),(0,0))
(2,1)	\mapsto	((0,0),(0,0),(0,1))

- R is a bisimulation up to **equivalence** because (0,0) and (0,1) are not in R , but in $e(R)$.
- However 0 is not bisimilar to 1 because ((0,0),(1,0),(0,1)) contains three different pairs!



Bisimulation up to bisimilarity

- Bisimulation up to bisimilarity is **not sound** for weighted automata:



[BBBRS 2012]

$$x_2 - x_3 \sim 0$$

$\{(x_1, y_1)\}$ is a bisimulation up to **bisimilarity**

x_1 is **not** bisimilar to y_1



Soundness

Two directions to prove **soundness**:

1. using **behavioral equivalence**

[Rot,--,Rutten 2012]

2. using the abstract theory of **enhancements**

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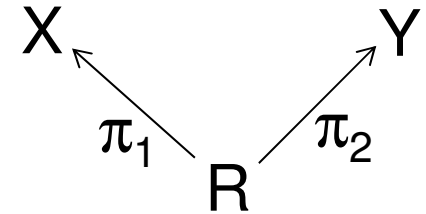
Relators

■ $F: \text{Set} \rightarrow \text{Set}$

■ **Relator**: $F^{\text{R}}: \text{Rel} \rightarrow \text{Rel}$

$$F^{\text{R}}(X) = X$$

$$F^{\text{R}}(R) = F(\pi_2) \circ F(\pi_1)^{-1}$$



■ The following are equivalent: [Trnkova, Rutten, Gumm&Schroeder]

1. F preserves weak pullback
2. F^{R} is a functor
3. The composition of two F -bisimulations is a F -bisimulation



Bisimulations as functions

- $\delta: X \rightarrow FX$ $R \subseteq X \times X$
- **Relational lifting:** $\varphi_\delta(R) = \{ (x,y) \mid (\delta(x), \delta(y)) \in F^\mathbb{R}(R) \}$
- R is a **bisimulation** iff $R \subseteq \varphi_\delta(R)$
- R is a **bisimulation up to f** iff $R \subseteq \varphi_\delta(f(R))$
- F preserves weak pullbacks $\Leftrightarrow \varphi_\delta(R) \circ \varphi_\delta(S) = \varphi_\delta(R \circ S)$



Compatible functions

- Let b and f **monotone** functions on a **complete** lattice L . The function f is said to be **b -compatible** if

$$f \circ b \leq b \circ f$$

- **b -compatible** functions are **b -sound** if $\text{gfp}(b \circ f) \leq \text{gfp}(b)$
- **b -compatible** functions are closed under functional composition and arbitrary unions.
- If $b(R) \circ b(S) \leq b(R \circ S)$ then **b -compatible** functions are closed also under relational composition (i.e. $(f \bullet g)(R) = f(R) \circ g(R)$).



Soundness via compatibility

If $f: \mathcal{P}(X \times X) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X \times X)$ is φ_δ -compatible then bisimulation up to f is sound for $\delta: X \rightarrow FX$.

- Equivalence closure is φ_δ -compatible.
- If $S \subseteq \sim_\delta$ then union with S is φ_δ -compatible.
- Contextual closure is φ_δ -compatible for λ -bialgebras, where λ is a distributive law of a monad T over a functor F
- Any combination of the above is φ_δ -compatible.



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Behavioral equivalence

- F-behavioral equivalence

$$R \subseteq X \times X$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R & \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\pi_1} \\ \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \end{array} & X & \begin{array}{c} \dashrightarrow^q \\ \dashrightarrow^q \end{array} & X/e(R) \\ & & \downarrow \delta & & \downarrow \\ & & FX & \xrightarrow{Fq} & F(X/e(R)) \end{array}$$

- Any **F-bisimulation** is a **F-behavioral equivalence**. If F preserves weak pullbacks then the converse is true.

- Maximal **F-behavioral equivalence**

$$\approx_\delta \subseteq X \times X$$



Behavioral equivalence up to

- F-behavioral equivalence up to f

$$f(R) \subseteq X \times X$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R & \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\pi_1} \\ \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \end{array} & X \\ & & \downarrow \delta \\ & & FX \\ & & \xrightarrow{Fq} \\ & & F(X/e(f(R))) \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{q} \\ \downarrow \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} X/e(f(R)) \\ \\ F(X/e(f(R))) \end{array}$$

- Behavioral equivalence up to f is **sound** wrt an F-coalgebra (X, δ) if $R \subseteq \approx_\delta$ for any R behavioral equivalence up to f



Soundness: behavioral equivalence-up-to

- Behavioral equivalence up to **equivalence** is **sound**.
- If $S \subseteq \approx$ then behavioral equivalence up to **union with S** is **sound**.
- Behavioral equivalence up to **contextual closure** is **sound** for **λ -bialgebras**, where λ is a distributive law of a **finitary** monad T over a functor F .
- Any combinations of the above is **sound**.



Soundness: bisimulation-up-to

- **Any** bisimulation up to **f is** a behavioral equivalence up to **f**.
- If F preserves weak pullback then **soundness** of behavioral equivalence up to **(union, context and) equivalence** implies soundness of analogous bisimulation up to **(union, context and) equivalence**.
- In all previous examples about deterministic automata and streams bisimulation up to **union, context and equivalence** is **sound**.



Conclusions

- A general theory of **bisimulation up to** techniques for coinduction
- Interesting **proof method** for behavioral equivalence.
- Presenting SOS rule formats using up-to context techniques?
- New proof systems for **rational behavior**?
- Other categories than Set (for example for syntax with bindings)

