

Algebraic Traces for Probability and Nondeterminism



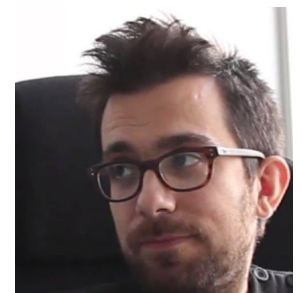
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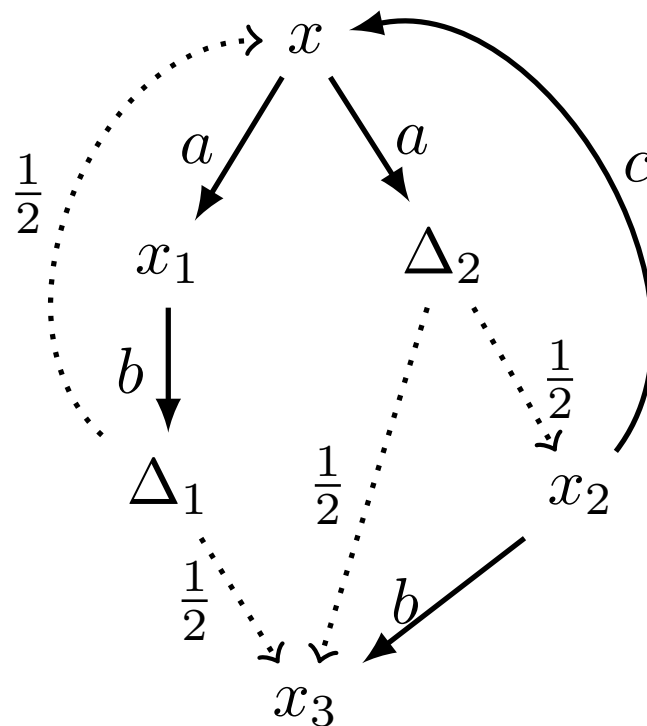
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Probabilistic Nondeterministic Labeled Transition Systems

$$t: X \rightarrow (\mathcal{PD}X)^A$$

Trace Semantics
for these systems
is usually defined
by means of
schedulers and
resolutions

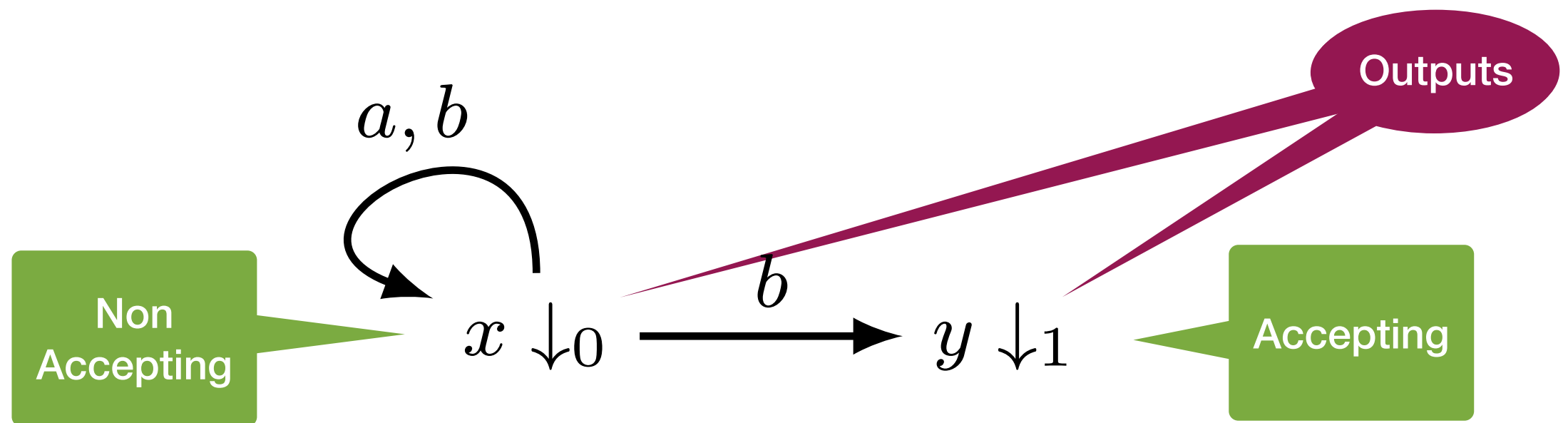


We take a
different view:
our semantics is
based on
automata theory,
algebra and
coalgebra

WARNING: In this talk, we will present our theory in its simplest possible form,
hiding all category theory

Nondeterministic Automata

$$\langle o, t \rangle : X \rightarrow 2 \times (\mathcal{P}X)^A$$

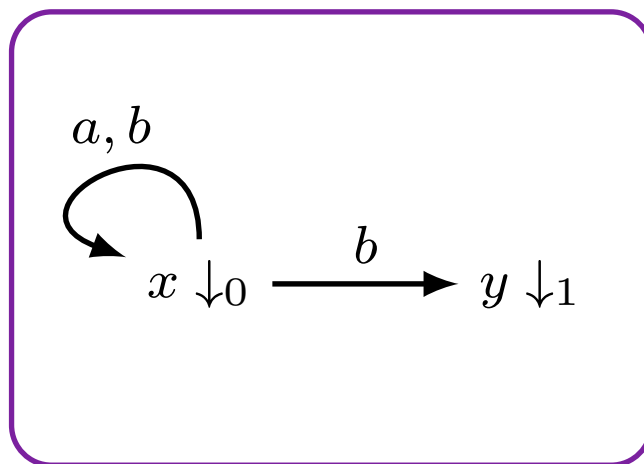


$$X = \{x, y\} \quad A = \{a, b\}$$

Language Semantics

NFA = LTS + output

$$X \rightarrow 2 \times (\mathcal{P}X)^A$$

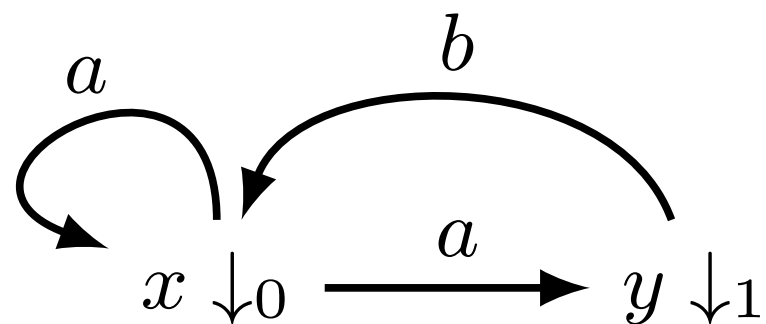


$$\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket : X \rightarrow 2^{A^*}$$

$$\llbracket x \rrbracket = (a \cup b)^* b = \{w \in \{a, b\}^* \mid w \text{ ends with a } b\}$$

Determinisation for Nondeterministic Automata

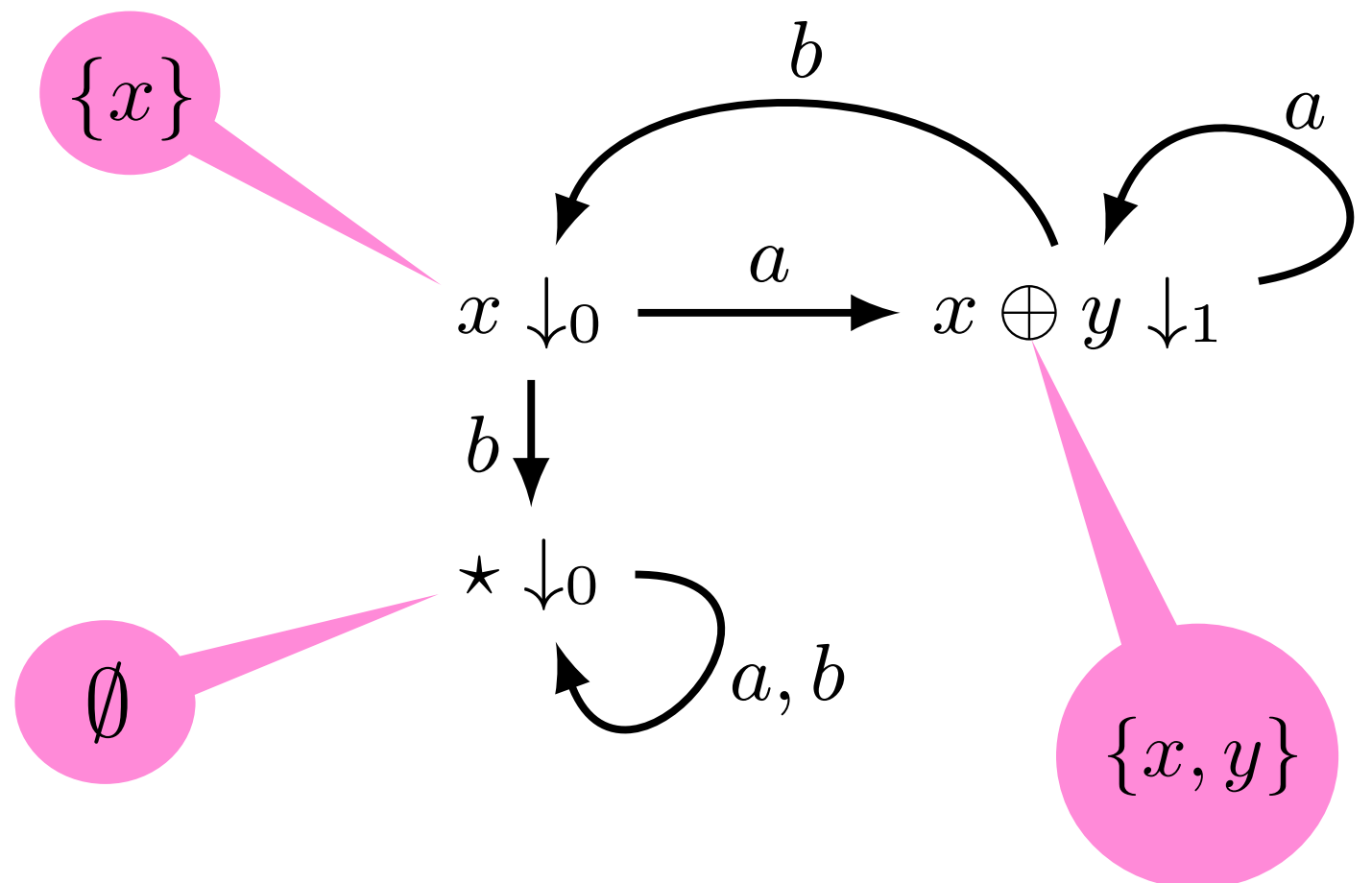
$$\langle o, t \rangle : X \rightarrow 2 \times (\mathcal{P}X)^A \longrightarrow \langle o^\#, t^\# \rangle : \mathcal{P}X \rightarrow 2 \times (\mathcal{P}X)^A$$



$$[\![\cdot]\!] : \mathcal{P}X \rightarrow 2^{A^*}$$

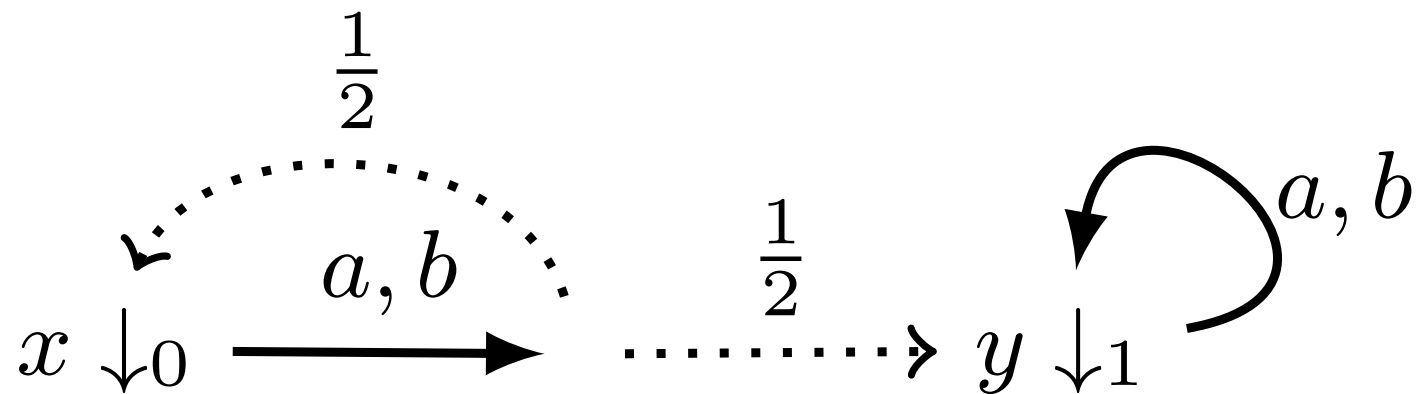
$$[\![S]\!](\varepsilon) = o^\#(S)$$

$$[\![S]\!](aw) = [\![t^\#(S)(a)]\!](w)$$



Probabilistic Automata

$$\langle o, t \rangle : X \rightarrow [0, 1] \times (\mathcal{D}X)^A$$

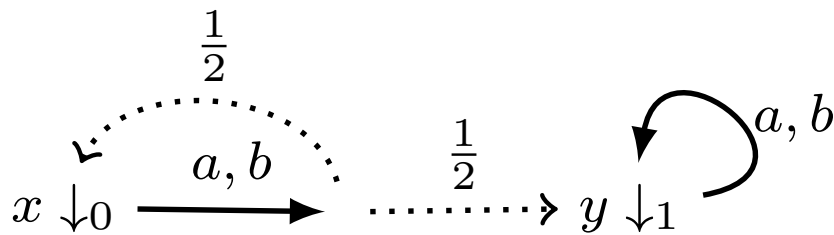


$$X = \{x, y\} \quad A = \{a, b\}$$

Probabilistic Language Semantics

Rabin PA = PTS + output

$$X \rightarrow [0, 1] \times (\mathcal{D}X)^A$$

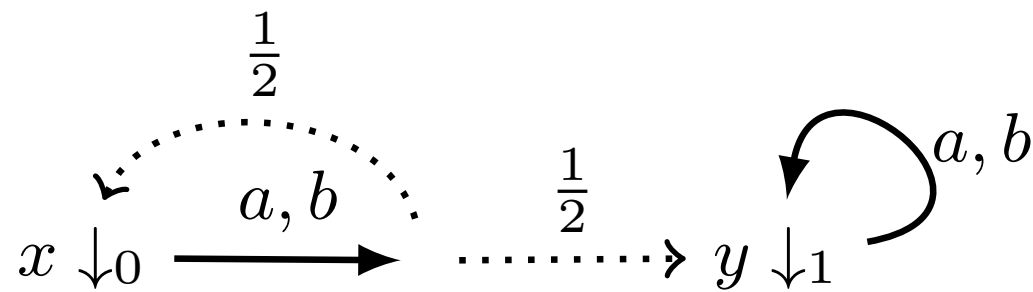


$$[\![\cdot]\!]: X \rightarrow [0, 1]^{A^*}$$

$$[\![x]\!] = \left(a \mapsto \frac{1}{2}, aa \mapsto \frac{3}{4}, \dots \right)$$

Determinisation for Probabilistic Automata

$$\langle o, t \rangle : X \rightarrow [0, 1] \times (\mathcal{D}X)^A \quad \longrightarrow \quad \langle o^\sharp, t^\sharp \rangle : \mathcal{D}X \rightarrow [0, 1] \times (\mathcal{D}X)^A$$

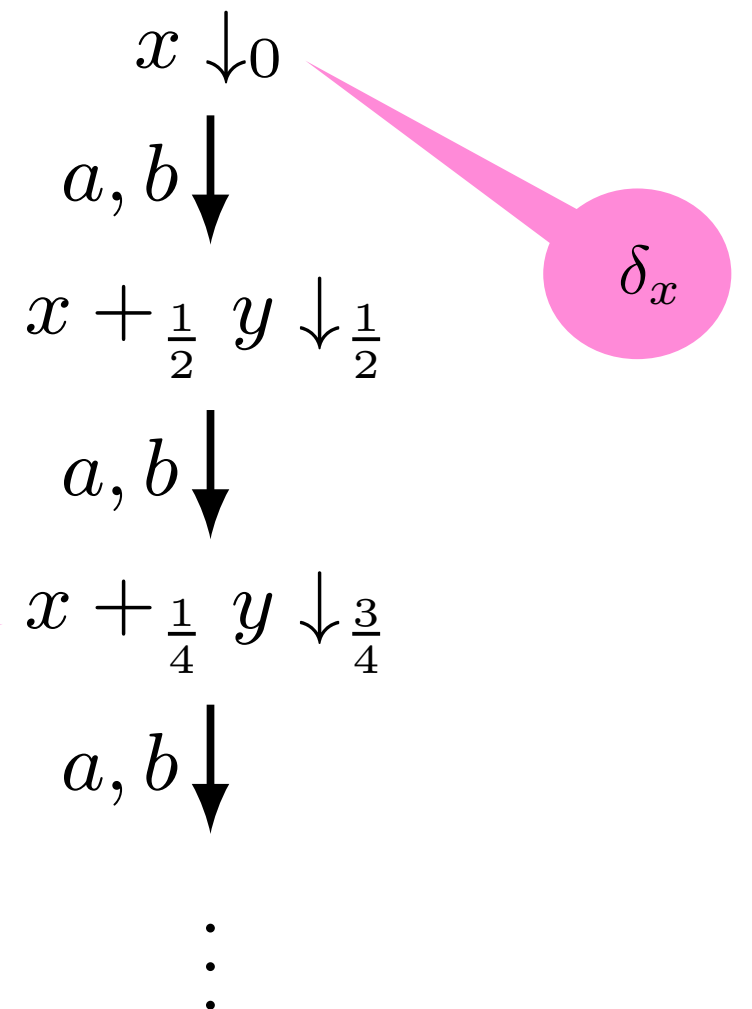


$$[\![\cdot]\!]: \mathcal{D}X \rightarrow [0, 1]^{A^*}$$

$$[\![\Delta]\!](\varepsilon) = o^\sharp(\Delta)$$

$$[\![\Delta]\!](aw) = [\![t^\sharp(\Delta)(a)]\!](w)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x \mapsto \frac{1}{4} \\ y \mapsto \frac{3}{4} \end{array}$$



Toward a GSOS semantics

In the determinisation of **nondeterministic** automata we use terms built of the following syntax

$$s, t ::= \star, s \oplus t, x \in X$$

to represent states in $\mathcal{P}X$

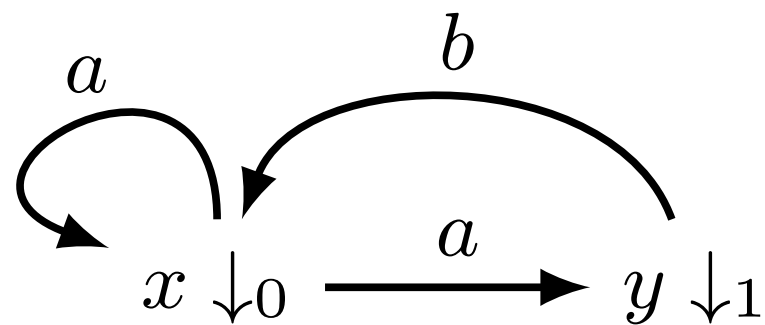
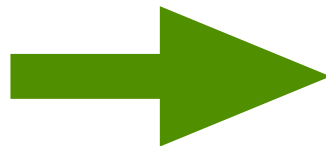
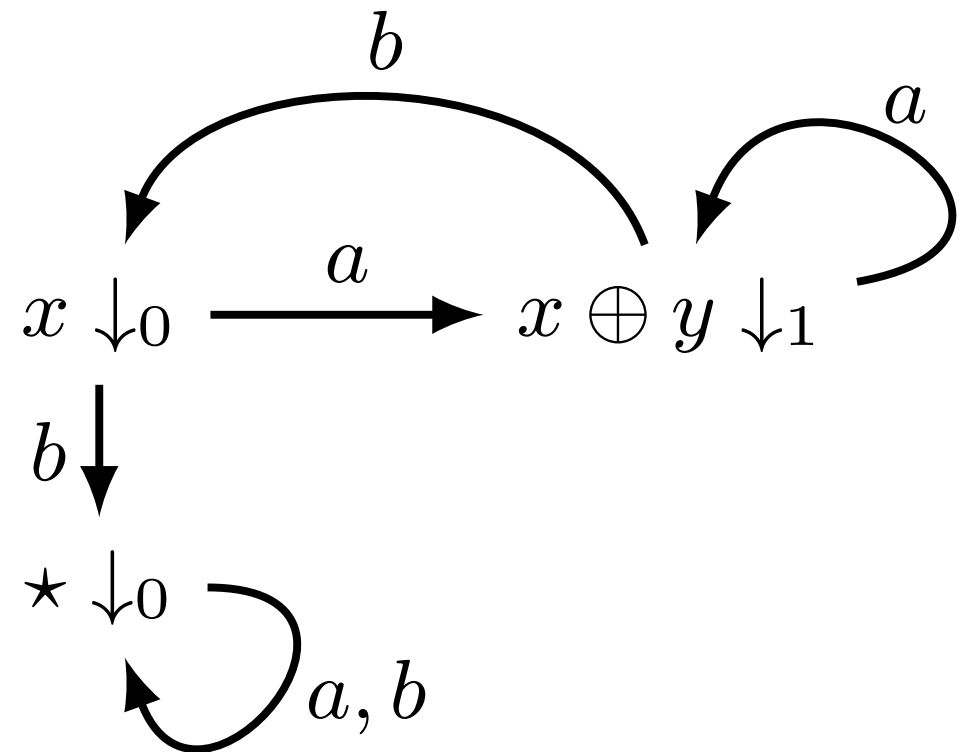
In the determinisation of **probabilistic** automata we use terms built of the following syntax

$$s, t ::= s +_p t, x \in X \quad \text{for all } p \in [0, 1]$$

to represent elements of $\mathcal{D}X$

GSOS Semantics for Nondeterministic Automata

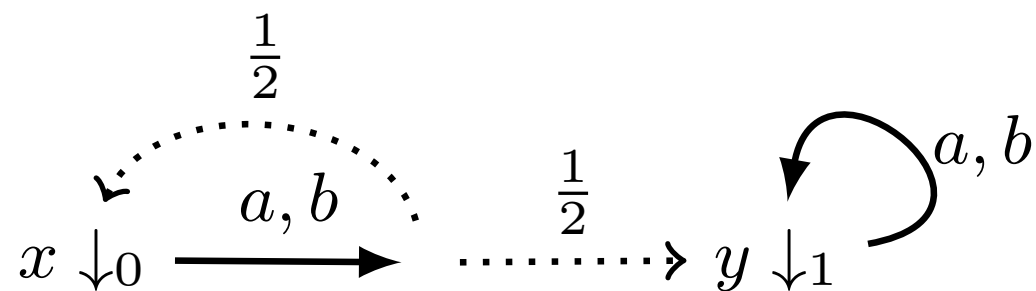
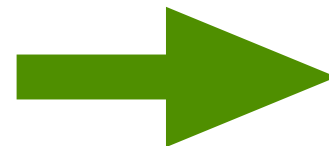
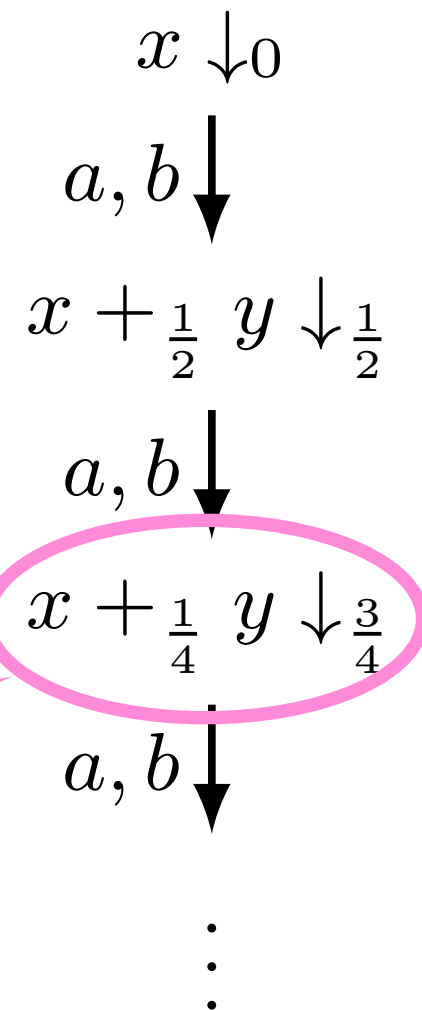
$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{-}{\star \xrightarrow{a} \star} \qquad \frac{s \xrightarrow{a} s' \quad t \xrightarrow{a} t'}{s \oplus t \xrightarrow{a} s' \oplus t'} \qquad \frac{-}{\star \downarrow 0} \qquad \frac{s \downarrow b_1 \quad t \downarrow b_2}{s \oplus t \downarrow b_1 \sqcup b_2}
 \end{array}$$



GSOS Semantics for Probabilistic Automata

$$\frac{s \xrightarrow{a} s' \quad t \xrightarrow{a} t'}{s +_p t \xrightarrow{a} s' +_p t'}$$

$$\frac{s \downarrow_{q_1} \quad t \downarrow_{q_2}}{s +_p t \downarrow_{p \cdot q_1 + (1-p) \cdot q_2}}$$



$$(x + \frac{1}{2} y) + \frac{1}{2} y$$

The Algebraic Theory of Semilattices with Bottom

$$s, t ::= \star, s \oplus t, x \in X$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (x \oplus y) \oplus z & \stackrel{(A)}{=} & x \oplus (y \oplus z) \\ x \oplus y & \stackrel{(C)}{=} & y \oplus x \\ x \oplus x & \stackrel{(I)}{=} & x \\ x \oplus \star & \stackrel{(B)}{=} & x \end{array}$$

The set of terms quotiented by these axioms is isomorphic to $\mathcal{P}X$

this theory is a presentation for the powerset monad

The Algebraic Theory of Convex Algebras

$$s, t ::= s +_p t, \quad x \in X \quad \text{for all } p \in [0, 1]$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (x +_q y) +_p z & \stackrel{(A_p)}{=} & x +_{pq} \left(y +_{\frac{p(1-q)}{1-pq}} z \right) \\ x +_p y & \stackrel{(C_p)}{=} & y +_{1-p} x \\ x +_p x & \stackrel{(I_p)}{=} & x \end{array}$$

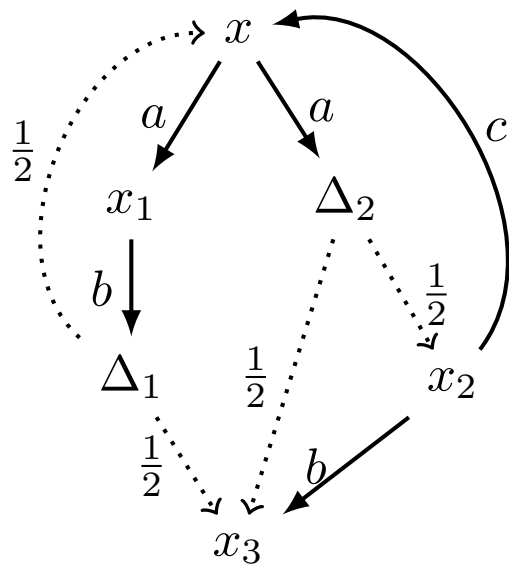
The set of terms quotiented by these axioms is isomorphic to $\mathcal{D}X$

this theory is a presentation for the distribution monad

Probabilistic Nondeterministic Language Semantics ?

NPA

$$X \rightarrow ? \times (\mathcal{P}DX)^A$$



$$[[x]] = ???$$

$$[[\cdot]] : X \rightarrow ?^{A^*}$$

Algebraic Theory for Subsets of Distributions ?

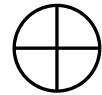
- For our approach it would be convenient to have a theory presenting subsets of distributions
- Monads can be composed by means of distributive laws, but, unfortunately, there is no distributive law between powerset and distributions (Daniele Varacca Ph.D thesis)
- Other general approach to compose monads/algebraic theories fail
- Our first step is to decompose the powerset monad...



convexity is
the key !

Three Algebraic Theories

Nondeterminism



$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 (x \oplus y) \oplus z & \stackrel{(A)}{=} & x \oplus (y \oplus z) \\
 x \oplus y & \stackrel{(C)}{=} & y \oplus x \\
 x \oplus x & \stackrel{(I)}{=} & x
 \end{array}$$

Monad: $\mathcal{P}_{ne}$

Algebras: **Semilattices**

Probability $+_p$

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 (x +_q y) +_p z & \stackrel{(A_p)}{=} & x +_{pq} (y +_{\frac{p(1-q)}{1-pq}} z) \\
 x +_p y & \stackrel{(C_p)}{=} & y +_{1-p} x \\
 x +_p x & \stackrel{(I_p)}{=} & x
 \end{array}$$

Monad: $\mathcal{D}$

Algebras: **Convex Algebras**

Termination ★

no axioms

Monad: $\cdot + 1$

Algebras: **Pointed Sets**

The Algebraic Theory of Convex Semilattices

$$\oplus \quad +_p$$

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 (x \oplus y) \oplus z & \stackrel{(A)}{=} x \oplus (y \oplus z) \\
 x \oplus y & \stackrel{(C)}{=} y \oplus x \\
 x \oplus x & \stackrel{(I)}{=} x \\
 (x +_q y) +_p z & \stackrel{(A_p)}{=} x +_{pq} (y +_{\frac{p(1-q)}{1-pq}} z) \\
 x +_p y & \stackrel{(C_p)}{=} y +_{1-p} x \\
 x +_p x & \stackrel{(I_p)}{=} x \\
 (x \oplus y) +_p z & \stackrel{(D)}{=} (x +_p z) \oplus (y +_p z)
 \end{array}$$

Monad C : non-empty convex subsets of distributions

convexity comes from the following derived law

$$s \oplus t \stackrel{(C)}{=} s \oplus t \oplus s +_p t$$

Adding Termination

$$\oplus \quad +_p \quad \star$$

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 (x \oplus y) \oplus z & \stackrel{(A)}{=} x \oplus (y \oplus z) \\
 x \oplus y & \stackrel{(C)}{=} y \oplus x \\
 x \oplus x & \stackrel{(I)}{=} x \\
 (x +_q y) +_p z & \stackrel{(A_p)}{=} x +_{pq} (y +_{\frac{p(1-q)}{1-pq}} z) \\
 x +_p y & \stackrel{(C_p)}{=} y +_{1-p} x \\
 x +_p x & \stackrel{(I_p)}{=} x \\
 (x \oplus y) +_p z & \stackrel{(D)}{=} (x +_p z) \oplus (y +_p z)
 \end{array}$$

The Algebraic Theory of Pointed Convex Semilattices

$$x \oplus \star \stackrel{(B)}{=} x$$

**The Algebraic Theory of
Convex Semilattices with Bottom**

$$x \oplus \star \stackrel{(T)}{=} \star$$

**The Algebraic Theory of
Convex Semilattices with Top**

These three algebras are those freely generated by the singleton set 1

They give rise to three different semantics: may, must, and may-must

$$\mathbb{M}_{\mathcal{I}} = (\mathcal{I}, \text{min-max}, +_{\mathcal{I}}^{\mathcal{I}}, [0, 0])$$

$$\mathcal{I} = \{[x, y] \mid x, y \in [0, 1] \text{ and } x \leq y\}$$

$$\text{min-max}([x_1, y_1], [x_2, y_2]) = [\min(x_1, x_2), \max(y_1, y_2)]$$

$$[x_1, y_1] +_{\mathcal{I}}^{\mathcal{I}} [x_2, y_2] = [x_1 +_p x_2, y_1 +_p y_2]$$

The Theory of Pointed Convex Semilattices

$$\text{Max} = ([0, 1], \text{max}, +_p, 0)$$

**The Algebraic Theory of
Convex Semilattices with bottom**

$$\text{Min} = ([0, 1], \text{min}, +_p, 0)$$

**The Algebraic Theory of
Convex Semilattices with Top**

Syntax and Transitions

For the three semantics, we use the same syntax

$$s, t ::= \star, s \oplus t, s +_p t, x \in X \quad \text{for all } p \in [0, 1]$$

and transitions

$$\frac{}{\star \xrightarrow{a} \star}$$

$$\frac{s \xrightarrow{a} s' \quad t \xrightarrow{a} t'}{s \oplus t \xrightarrow{a} s' \oplus t'}$$

$$\frac{s \xrightarrow{a} s' \quad t \xrightarrow{a} t'}{s +_p t \xrightarrow{a} s' +_p t'}$$

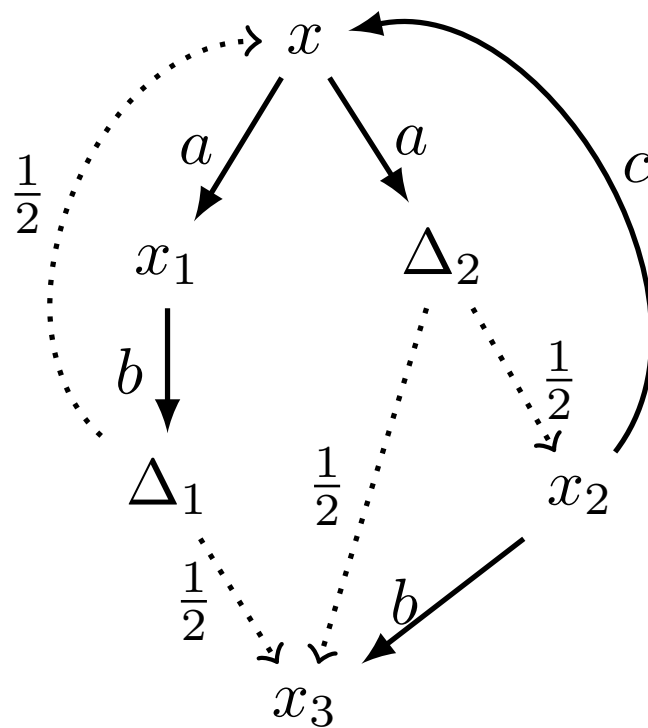
but different output functions...

Example without outputs

$$x \xrightarrow{a} x_1 \oplus (x_3 + \tfrac{1}{2} x_2)$$

$$x_1 \xrightarrow{b} x + \tfrac{1}{2} x_3$$

$$x_2 \xrightarrow{b} x_3 \quad x_2 \xrightarrow{c} x$$



$$x \xrightarrow{b,c} \star$$

$$x_1 \xrightarrow{a,c} \star$$

$$x_2 \xrightarrow{a} \star$$

$$x_3 \xrightarrow{a,b,c} \star$$

$$x \xrightarrow{a} x_1 \oplus (x_3 + \tfrac{1}{2} x_2) \xrightarrow{b} (x + \tfrac{1}{2} x_3) \oplus (\star + \tfrac{1}{2} x_3)$$

Outputs for May

We take as algebra of outputs

$$\mathbb{M}\text{ax} = ([0, 1], \max, +_p, 0)$$

that gives rise to the following three rules

$$\frac{-}{\star \downarrow 0}$$

$$\frac{s \downarrow q_1 \quad t \downarrow q_2}{s \oplus t \downarrow \max(q_1, q_2)}$$

$$\frac{s \downarrow q_1 \quad t \downarrow q_2}{s +_p t \downarrow q_1 +_p q_2}$$

Outputs for Must

We take as algebra of outputs

$$\mathbb{M}\text{in} = ([0, 1], \min, +_p, 0)$$

that gives rise to the following three rules

$$\frac{-}{\star \downarrow 0}$$

$$\frac{s \downarrow q_1 \quad t \downarrow q_2}{s \oplus t \downarrow \min(q_1, q_2)}$$

$$\frac{s \downarrow q_1 \quad t \downarrow q_2}{s +_p t \downarrow q_1 +_p q_2}$$

Outputs for May-Must

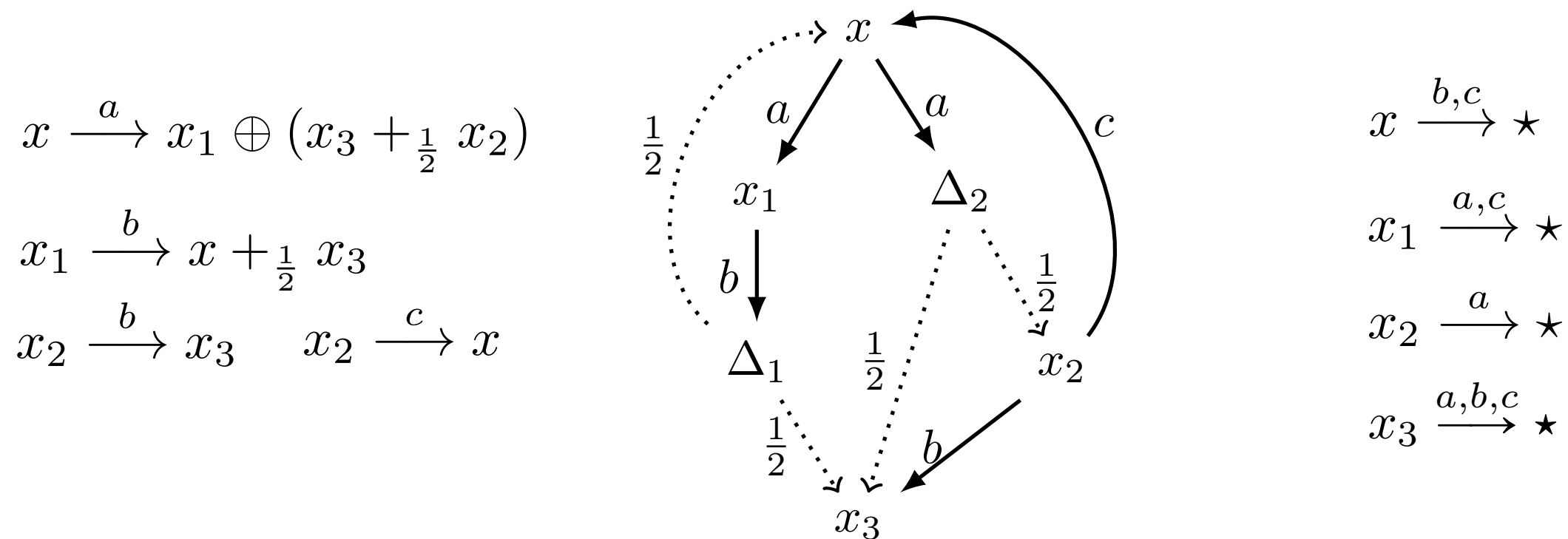
We take as algebra of outputs

$$\mathbb{M}_{\mathcal{I}} = (\mathcal{I}, \text{min-max}, +_{\frac{\mathcal{I}}{p}}, [0, 0])$$

that gives rise to the following three rules

$$\frac{-}{\star \downarrow [0,0]} \qquad \frac{s \downarrow_I \quad t \downarrow_J}{s \oplus t \downarrow_{\text{min-max}(I,J)}} \qquad \frac{s \downarrow_I \quad t \downarrow_J}{s +_p t \downarrow_{I + \frac{\mathcal{I}}{p} J}}$$

Example with outputs



All states output 1

$x \downarrow_1 \quad x_1 \downarrow_1 \quad x_2 \downarrow_1 \quad x_3 \downarrow_1$

May

$$x \downarrow_1 \xrightarrow{a} x_1 \oplus (x_3 + \frac{1}{2} x_2) \downarrow_1 \xrightarrow{b} (x + \frac{1}{2} x_3) \oplus (\star + \frac{1}{2} x_3) \downarrow_1$$

Must

$$x \downarrow_1 \xrightarrow{a} x_1 \oplus (x_3 + \frac{1}{2} x_2) \downarrow_1 \xrightarrow{b} (x + \frac{1}{2} x_3) \oplus (\star + \frac{1}{2} x_3) \downarrow_{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Results follow:

- Traces carry a convex semilattice
 - The three trace semantics are convex semilattice homomorphisms
 - Trace equivalences are congruences w.r.t. convex semilattice operations
 - Coinduction up-to these operation is sound
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- Both probabilistic and convex bisimilarity implies the three trace equivalences
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- The equivalences are "backward compatible" with standard trace equivalences for nondeterministic and probabilistic systems
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- The may-equivalence coincides with one in Bernardo, De Nicola, Loretì TCS 2014

Thank You

