# System Validation 

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- Introduced by Hennessy and Milner in 1985


Matthew Hennessy and Robin Milner. Algebraic laws for nondeterminism and concurrency. Journal of the ACM, 32(1):137-161, 1985.

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In the book, 'true' is also used for 'Act'.

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Material for the Semantics

- This set of slides!
- Chapters 5 and 6 of book ‘Reactive Systems - Modelling, Specification and Verification' by L. Aceto, A. Ingólfsdóttir, K. Larsen and J. Srba
- Section 6.4 of the book (and possibly Section 15.3)


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## Limited expressiveness of HML

Using Hennessy-Milner Logic we can only describe properties of behaviors with a finite depth.

Modal depth

- $m d($ true $)=m d($ false $)=0$
- $m d(F \wedge G)=m d(F \vee G)=\max \{m d(F), m d(G)\}$
- $m d([a] F)=m d(\langle a\rangle F)=m d(F)+1$

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Problems

- infinite formulae are not allowed in HML
- infinite formulae are difficult to handle

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- $\operatorname{Inv}(F)$ expressed by $X \stackrel{\text { def }}{=} F \wedge[A c t] X$
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Recursion on natural numbers

$$
\begin{gathered}
n: n \stackrel{\text { def }}{=} n^{2} \\
n: n \stackrel{\text { def }}{=} n+1 \\
n: n \stackrel{\text { def }}{=} 1 \times n
\end{gathered}
$$

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The unique least solution for this equation is the set of states $\varnothing$
Hence the property is not valid for the labeled transition system

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- Make an assumption on states satisfied by $X$. For every formula $F$ we define a function $O_{F}: 2^{S} \rightarrow 2^{S}$ s.t.
- if $S$ is the set of processes that satisfy $X$
- then $O_{F}(S)$ is the set of processes that satisfy $F$.

Definition of $O_{F}: 2^{S} \rightarrow 2^{S}$
For $S \subseteq S$

$$
\begin{aligned}
O_{X}(S) & =S \\
O_{\text {true }}(S) & =S \\
O_{\text {false }}(S) & =\varnothing \\
O_{F_{1} \wedge F_{2}}(S) & =O_{F_{1}}(S) \cap O_{F_{2}}(S) \\
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