System Validation: Extensions of Hennessy-Milner Logic

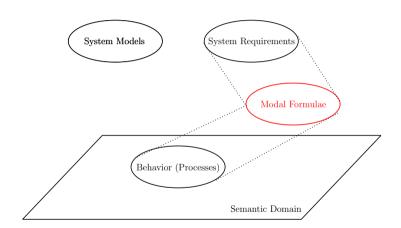
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Action formula

A described using the following syntax $(a \in Act)$:

$$A, B ::= false \mid true \mid a \mid \overline{A} \mid A \cup B \mid A \cap B$$

where $\overline{A} = Act \setminus A$, true matches all actions, false matches no action.

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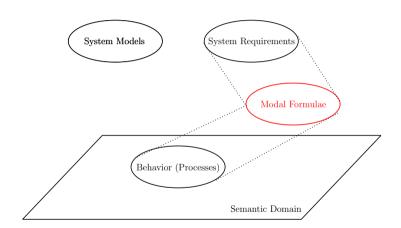
Why not use recursion?

- $Inev(\varphi)$ expressed by $X \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \varphi \vee [true]X$
- Safe(φ) expressed by $X \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \varphi \wedge \langle true \rangle X$

Summary

- ► Allowing sets inside modalities ⇒ more compact formulas
- Regular HML allows describing properties of infinite depth
- ► Some desirable properties cannot be described using regular HML

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Thank you very much.