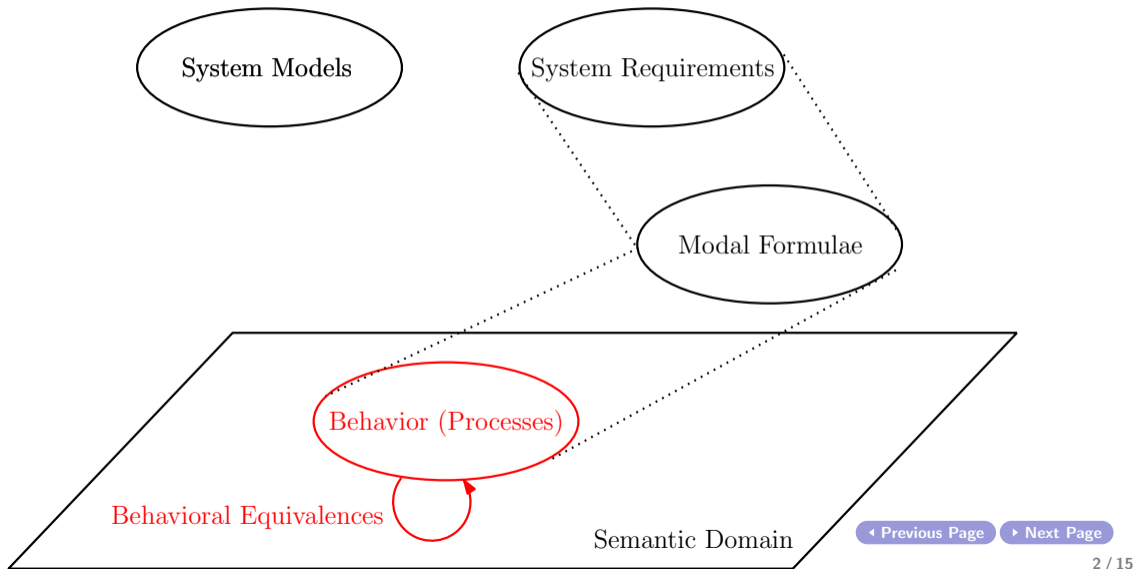


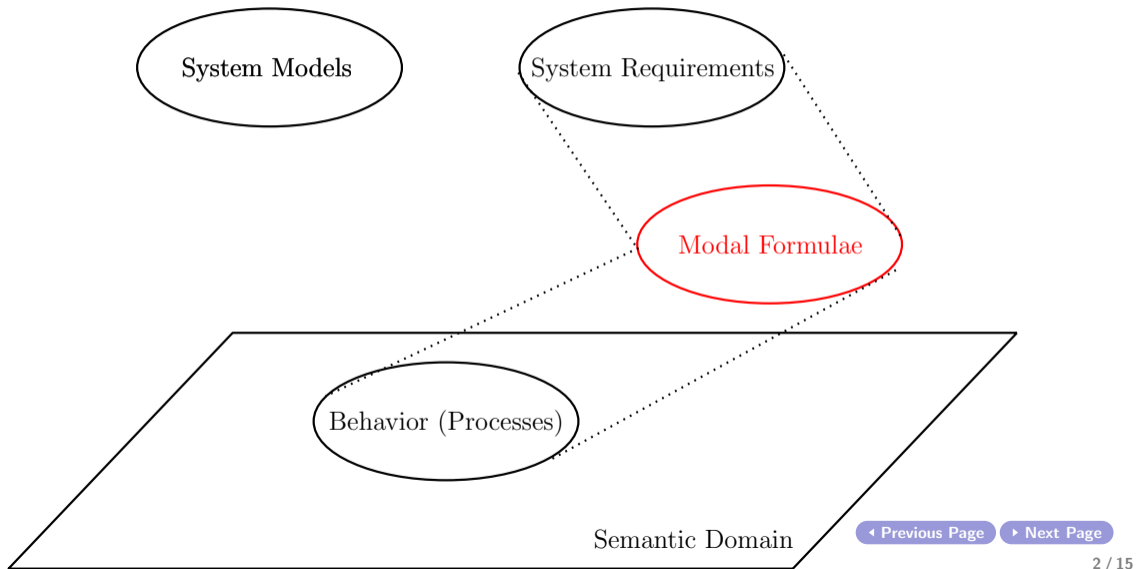
System Validation: Hennessy-Milner Logic

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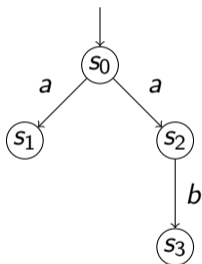
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- ▶ Identify all subformulas
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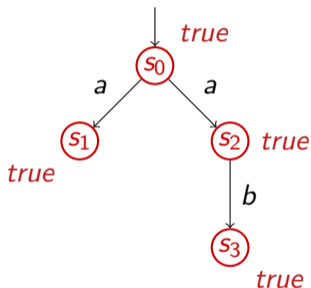


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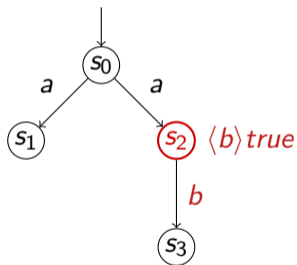


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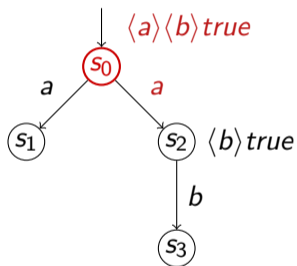


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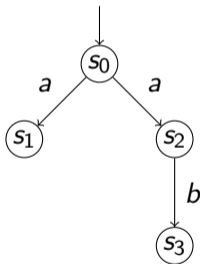


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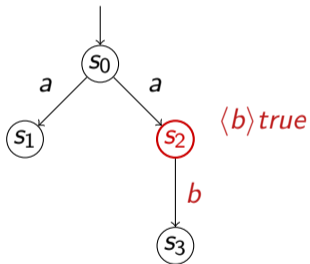
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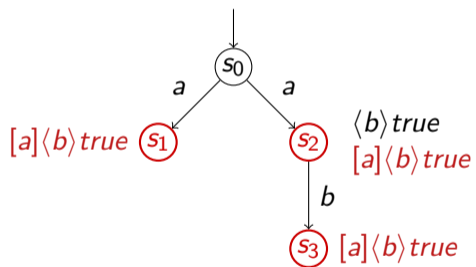
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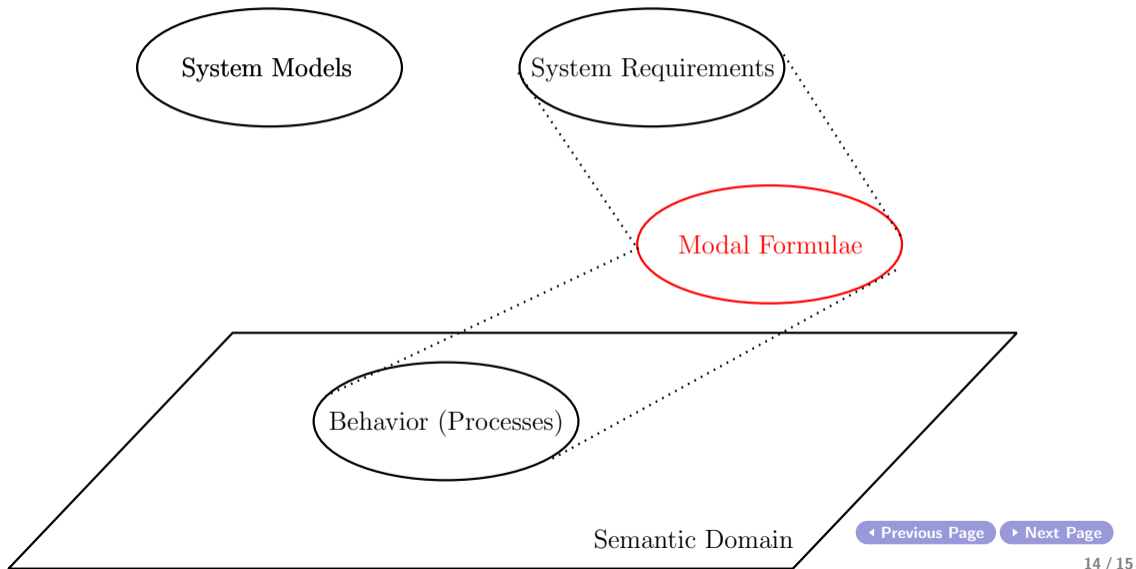
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There are relevant properties that cannot be expressed in HML. HML is restricted to a **finite depth**.

Summary

- ▶ Behavioural equivalences not always suitable for verification
- ▶ **Hennessy-Milner logic** provides alternative way to describe properties
- ▶ Only properties of **finite depth** can be described

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