

# Transition systems.

## 1 Transition systems.

**Definition 1.** A transition system is a tuple

$$TS = (S, \text{Act}, \rightarrow, I, \text{AP}, L)$$

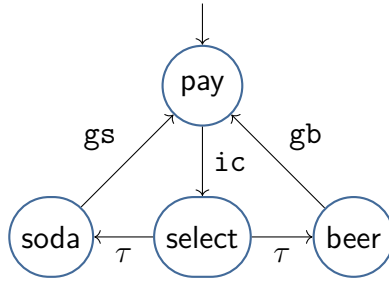
where

- ▷  $S$  is the set of *states*;
- ▷  $\text{Act}$  is the set of *actions*;
- ▷  $\rightarrow \subseteq S \times \text{Act} \times S$  the *transition relation*;
- ▷  $I \subseteq S$  the set of *initial states*;
- ▷  $\text{AP}$  is the set of *atomic propositions*;
- ▷  $L : S \rightarrow \wp(\text{AP}) \cong 2^{\text{AP}}$  is the *state labelling function*.

We will write  $s \xrightarrow{\alpha} s'$  when  $(s, \alpha, s') \in \rightarrow$ .

**Example 1 (Beverage Vending Machine, BVM).** We can model a beverage vending machine using a diagram like in figure 1. Here we have that:

- ▷  $S = \{\text{pay}, \text{select}, \text{soda}, \text{beer}\}$ ,
- ▷  $I = \{\text{pay}\}$ ,
- ▷  $\text{Act} = \{\text{ic}, \tau, \text{gb}, \text{gs}\}$ .<sup>1</sup>



**Figure 1** | Transition system for the BVM

We can define the labels:

$L(\text{pay}) = \emptyset$   $L(\text{soda}) = L(\text{beer}) = \{\text{paid, drink}\}$   $L(\text{select}) = \{\text{paid}\}$ ,  
with  $\text{AP} = \{\text{paid, drink}\}$ .

## 2 Program graphs.

The goal is to represent the evaluation of a program.

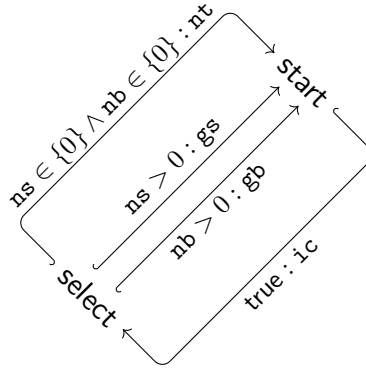
**Definition 2 (Typed variables).**  $\triangleright$  A set  $\text{Var}$  of *variables*.

- $\triangleright$  For each variable  $x \in \text{Var}$ , consider a set  $\text{Dom}(x)$ .
- $\triangleright$  Given  $TV = (\text{Var}, (\text{Dom}(x))_{x \in \text{Var}})$ , we define

$$\text{Eval}(TV) = \prod_{x \in \text{Var}} \text{Dom}(x),$$

the set of valuations of the form  $\eta : x \in \text{Var} \mapsto \eta(x) \in \text{Dom}(x)$ .

<sup>1</sup>The meaning of the actions are the following: **ic** means *insert coin*, **gb** means *get beer* and **gs** for *get soda*.



**Figure 2** | BVM as a program graph

**Definition 3** (Program graph). A *program graph* is a tuple

$$PG = (\text{Loc}, \text{Act}, \text{Effect}, \hookrightarrow, \text{Loc}_0, g_0),$$

where

- ▷ Loc is the set of *locations* (lines of codes);
- ▷ Act is the set of *actions*;
- ▷ Effect : Act × Eval(TV) → Eval(TV);
- ▷  $\hookrightarrow \subseteq \text{Loc} \times \text{Conditions} \times \text{Act} \times \text{Loc}$  where conditions are propositional formula built from atoms of the forms “ $x \in D$ ” for some variable  $x$  and some set  $D \subseteq \text{Dom}(x)$ ;
- ▷  $\text{Loc}_0 \subseteq \text{Loc}$  the set of initial locations;
- ▷  $g_0$  is the *initial condition*.

We will write  $\ell \xrightarrow{g:\alpha} \ell'$  for  $(\ell, g, \alpha, \ell') \in \hookrightarrow$ .

**Example 2** (BVM as a program graph). In figure 2, we use

- ▷ Loc = {start, select};

- ▷  $\text{Var} = \{\text{ns}, \text{nb}\};$
- ▷  $\text{Act} = \{\text{ic}, \text{nt}, \text{gs}, \text{gb}, \text{refill}\};$
- ▷  $\text{Loc}_0 = \{\text{start}\};$
- ▷  $g_0 = \text{ns} \in \{\text{max}\} \wedge \text{nb} \in \{\text{max}\}$
- ▷

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Effect} : \text{Act} \times \text{Eval}(TV) &\longrightarrow \text{Eval}(TV) \\
 (\text{refill}, \eta) &\longmapsto [\text{ns} \mapsto \text{max}, \text{nb} \mapsto \text{max}] \\
 (\text{gs}, \eta) &\longmapsto \eta[\text{ns} \mapsto \eta(\text{ns}) - 1] \\
 (\text{gb}, \eta) &\longmapsto \eta[\text{nb} \mapsto \eta(\text{nb}) - 1]
 \end{aligned}$$

### 3 Transition system of a program graph.

**Definition 4.** Given  $TV$  and  $PG$  a program graph, we define

$$TS(PG) := (S, \text{Act}, \rightarrow, I, \text{AP}, L)$$

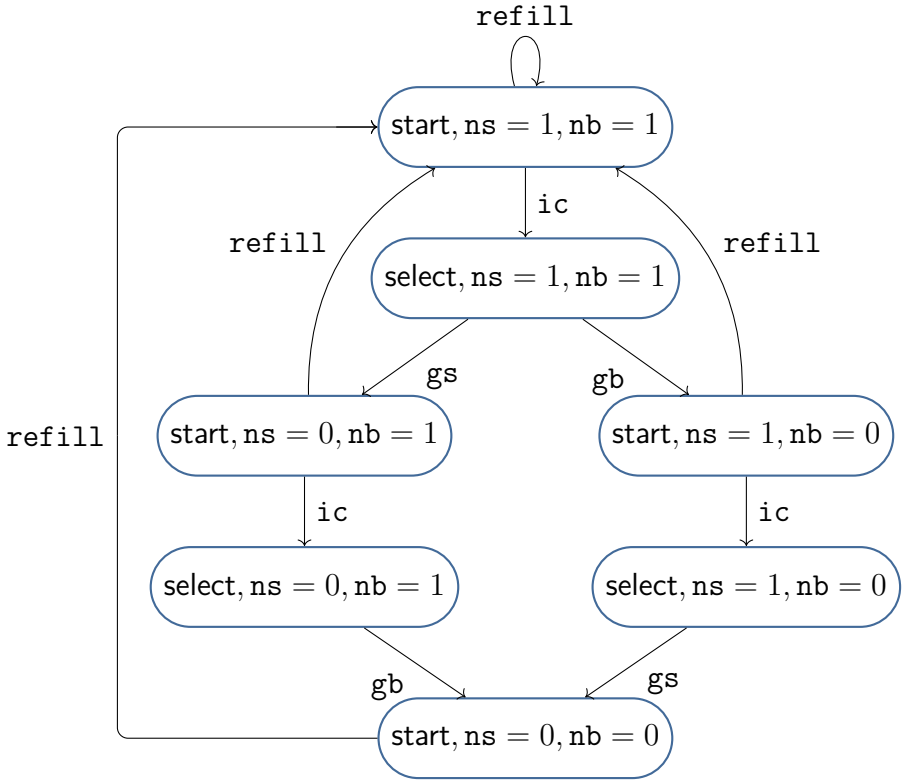
where

- ▷  $S = \text{Loc} \times \text{Eval}(TV);$
- ▷  $\text{AP} = \text{Loc} \cup \text{Conditions} ;$
- ▷  $I = \{(\ell_0, \eta) \mid \ell_0 \in \text{Loc}_0, \eta \models g_0\};$
- ▷  $\rightarrow$  is defined by:

$$\frac{\ell \xrightarrow{g:\alpha} \ell' \quad \eta \models g}{(\ell, \eta) \xrightarrow{\alpha} (\ell', \text{Effect}(\alpha, \eta))},$$

- ▷ and  $L(\ell, \eta) = \{\ell\} \cup \{g \mid \eta \models g\}.$

**Example 3.** The BVM program graph example seen in the previous example can be transformed as a transition system thanks to the previous definition; it is shown in figure 3. To simplify, we assume  $\text{max} = 1$ .



**Figure 3** | *Transition system of the PVM program graph*