

# Behavioral Specification Theories

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# Motivation

models

specifications

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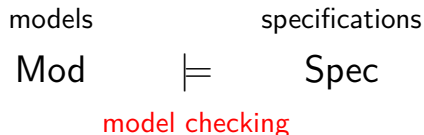
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**Incremental** certification / **Compositional** verification

- bottom-up **and** top-down

Wish list:

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- $\text{Mod} \models \text{Spec}_1 \ \& \ \text{Mod} \models \text{Spec}_2 \implies \text{Mod} \models \text{Spec}_1 \wedge \text{Spec}_2$
- $\text{Mod}_1 \models \text{Spec}_1 \ \& \ \text{Mod}_2 \models \text{Spec}_2 \implies \text{Mod}_1 \parallel \text{Mod}_2 \models \text{Spec}_1 \parallel \text{Spec}_2$
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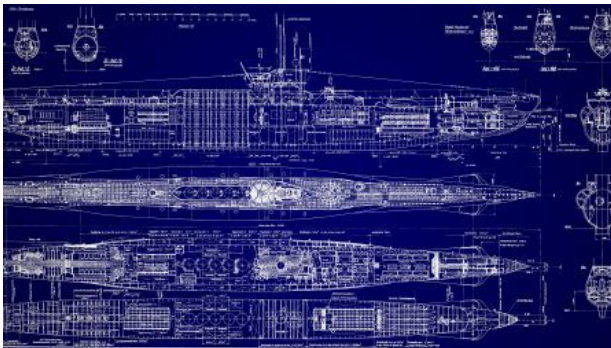
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“Holy Grail”?

# Application? Naval Group



- thousands of components; computing, physical, and mixed; from hundreds of subcontractors
- modern design needs formal(ish) verification
- what if between verification and implementation, a subcontractor decides to **improve a component??**

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- 2 **Acceptance Automata**
- 3 Specification Theories for Real Time, Probabilities, etc.
- 4 Conclusion

# Acceptance Automata

Let  $\Sigma$  be a finite alphabet.

## Definition

A (nondeterministic) **acceptance automaton** (AA) is a structure  $\mathcal{A} = (S, S^0, \text{Tran})$ , with  $S \supseteq S^0$  finite sets of states and initial states and  $\text{Tran} : S \rightarrow 2^{2^{\Sigma \times S}}$  an assignment of *transition constraints*.

- standard labeled transition system (**LTS**):  $\text{Tran} : S \rightarrow 2^{\Sigma \times S}$  (**coalgebraic** view)
- (for AA:)  $\text{Tran}(s) = \{M_1, M_2, \dots\}$ : **provide  $M_1$  or  $M_2$  or ...**
- a **disjunctive** choice of **conjunctive** constraints
- [J.-B. Raclet 2008](#) (but deterministic)
- note multiple initial states



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## Refinement

## Definition

Let  $\mathcal{A}_1 = (S_1, S_1^0, \text{Tran}_1)$  and  $\mathcal{A}_2 = (S_2, S_2^0, \text{Tran}_2)$  be AA.

A relation  $R \subseteq S_1 \times S_2$  is a **modal refinement** if:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \forall s_1^0 \in S_1^0 : \exists s_2^0 \in S_2^0 : (s_1^0, s_2^0) \in R \quad \text{(init)}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \forall (s_1, s_2) \in R : \forall M_1 \in \text{Tran}_1(s_1) : \exists M_2 \in \text{Tran}_2(s_2) : \quad \text{(tran)}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \forall (a, t_1) \in M_1 : \exists (a, t_2) \in M_2 : (t_1, t_2) \in R$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \forall (a, t_2) \in M_2 : \exists (a, t_1) \in M_1 : (t_1, t_2) \in R$$

Write  $\mathcal{A}_1 \leq \mathcal{A}_2$  if there exists such a modal refinement.

- for any **constraint choice**  $M_1$  there is a **bisimilar** choice  $M_2$
- $\mathcal{A}_1$  has **fewer choices** than  $\mathcal{A}_2$
- no more choices  $\hat{=}$  only one  $M \in \text{Tran}(s) \hat{=}$  **LTS**
- formally: an **embedding**  $\chi : \text{LTS} \hookrightarrow \text{AA}$   
such that  $\chi(\mathcal{L}_1) \leq \chi(\mathcal{L}_2)$  iff  $\mathcal{L}_1$  and  $\mathcal{L}_2$  are **bisimilar**

# A Step Back

Let **Mod** be a set of models with an equivalence  $\sim$ .

## Definition

A (behavioral) **specification theory** for  $(\text{Mod}, \sim)$  consists of

- a set **Spec**,
- a preorder  $\leq \subseteq \text{Spec} \times \text{Spec}$ , and
- a mapping  $\chi : \text{Mod} \rightarrow \text{Spec}$ ,

such that  $\forall \mathcal{M}_1, \mathcal{M}_2 \in \text{Mod} : \mathcal{M}_1 \sim \mathcal{M}_2 \iff \chi(\mathcal{M}_1) \leq \chi(\mathcal{M}_2)$ .

- write  $\mathcal{M} \models \mathcal{S}$  for  $\chi(\mathcal{M}) \leq \mathcal{S}$
- $\chi(\mathcal{M})$ : **characteristic formula** for  $\mathcal{M}$ :  $\mathcal{M}' \models \chi(\mathcal{M}) \iff \mathcal{M}' \sim \mathcal{M}$
- **incrementality**:  $\mathcal{M} \models \mathcal{S}_1 \ \& \ \mathcal{S}_1 \leq \mathcal{S}_2 \implies \mathcal{M} \models \mathcal{S}_2$
- acceptance automata  $\hat{=}$  disjunctive modal transition systems  $\hat{=}$   
Hennessy-Milner logic with maximal fixed points
- **safety properties**

# Logical Operations

Let  $\mathcal{A}_1 = (S_1, S_1^0, \text{Tran}_1)$  and  $\mathcal{A}_2 = (S_2, S_2^0, \text{Tran}_2)$  be AA.

**Disjunction:**  $\mathcal{A}_1 \vee \mathcal{A}_2 = (S_1 \dot{\cup} S_2, S_1^0 \dot{\cup} S_2^0, \text{Tran}_1 \dot{\cup} \text{Tran}_2)$

**Conjunction:** define  $\pi_i : 2^{\Sigma \times S_1 \times S_2} \rightarrow 2^{\Sigma \times S_i}$  by

$$\pi_1(M) = \{(a, s_1) \mid \exists s_2 \in S_2 : (a, s_1, s_2) \in M\}$$

$$\pi_2(M) = \{(a, s_2) \mid \exists s_1 \in S_1 : (a, s_1, s_2) \in M\}$$

Let  $\mathcal{A}_1 \wedge \mathcal{A}_2 = (S_1 \times S_2, S_1^0 \times S_2^0, \text{Tran})$  with

$$\text{Tran}((s_1, s_2)) = \{M \subseteq \Sigma \times S_1 \times S_2 \mid \\ \pi_1(M) \in \text{Tran}_1(s_1), \pi_2(M) \in \text{Tran}_2(s_2)\}$$

**Theorem (for all LTS  $\mathcal{L}$  and AA  $\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{A}_2$ )**

$$\mathcal{L} \models \mathcal{A}_1 \vee \mathcal{A}_2 \iff \mathcal{L} \models \mathcal{A}_1 \text{ or } \mathcal{L} \models \mathcal{A}_2$$

$$\mathcal{L} \models \mathcal{A}_1 \wedge \mathcal{A}_2 \iff \mathcal{L} \models \mathcal{A}_1 \ \& \ \mathcal{L} \models \mathcal{A}_2$$

## Another Step Back

Let **Mod** be a set of models with an equivalence  $\sim$ .

### Definition (ad hoc)

A specification theory  $(\text{Spec}, \leq, \chi)$  for  $(\text{Mod}, \sim)$  is **nice** if  $(\text{Spec}, \leq)$  forms a **bounded distributive lattice up to  $\leq \cap \geq$** .

- $\Rightarrow$  have **least upper bound**  $\vee$  and **greatest lower bound**  $\wedge$
- $\Rightarrow$  bottom specification **ff** ( $\forall \mathcal{M} \in \text{Mod} : \mathcal{M} \not\models \text{ff}$ )
- $\Rightarrow$  top specification **tt** ( $\forall \mathcal{M} \in \text{Mod} : \mathcal{M} \models \text{tt}$ )
- $\Rightarrow$  double **distributivity**
  - everything **up to modal equivalence**  $\equiv = \leq \cap \geq$
  - holds for acceptance automata, disjunctive modal transition systems, and Hennessy-Milner logic with maximal fixed points

# Structural Operations: Composition

Let  $\mathcal{A}_1 = (S_1, S_1^0, \text{Tran}_1)$  and  $\mathcal{A}_2 = (S_2, S_2^0, \text{Tran}_2)$  be AA.

For  $M_1 \subseteq \Sigma \times S_1$  and  $M_2 \subseteq \Sigma \times S_2$ , define

$$M_1 \parallel M_2 = \{(a, (t_1, t_2)) \mid (a, t_1) \in M_1, (a, t_2) \in M_2\}$$

(assumes CSP synchronization, but can be generalized)

Let  $\mathcal{A}_1 \parallel \mathcal{A}_2 = (S_1 \times S_2, S_1^0 \times S_2^0, \text{Tran})$  with

$$\text{Tran}((s_1, s_2)) = \{M_1 \parallel M_2 \mid M_1 \in \text{Tran}_1(s_1), M_2 \in \text{Tran}_2(s_2)\}$$

## Theorem (independent implementability)

For all AA  $\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{A}_2, \mathcal{A}_3, \mathcal{A}_4$ :

$$\mathcal{A}_1 \leq \mathcal{A}_3 \ \& \ \mathcal{A}_2 \leq \mathcal{A}_4 \implies \mathcal{A}_1 \parallel \mathcal{A}_2 \leq \mathcal{A}_3 \parallel \mathcal{A}_4$$

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Define  $\mathcal{A}_1 / \mathcal{A}_2 = (S, S^0, \text{Tran})$ :

- $S = 2^{S_1 \times S_2}$
- write  $S_2^0 = \{s_2^{0,1}, \dots, s_2^{0,p}\}$  and let  
 $S^0 = \{ \{(s_1^{0,q}, s_2^{0,q}) \mid q \in \{1, \dots, p\}\} \mid \forall q : s_1^{0,q} \in S_1^0 \}$
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- $\text{Tran} = \dots$

## Theorem

For all AA  $\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{A}_2, \mathcal{A}_3$ :

$$\mathcal{A}_1 \parallel \mathcal{A}_2 \leq \mathcal{A}_3 \iff \mathcal{A}_2 \leq \mathcal{A}_3 / \mathcal{A}_1$$

- up to  $\equiv$ ,  $/$  is the **adjoint** (or **residual**) of  $\parallel$

# A Step Back, Again

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- $\Rightarrow$   $\parallel$  distributes over  $\vee$  and has a unit  $U$ , up to  $\equiv$
- $\Rightarrow$   $\parallel$  has a residual  $/$ , up to  $\equiv$ 
  - a **compositional algebra** of specifications: for example,

$$(\mathcal{S}_1 \wedge \mathcal{S}_2) / \mathcal{S}_3 \equiv \mathcal{S}_1 / \mathcal{S}_3 \wedge \mathcal{S}_2 / \mathcal{S}_3$$

$$\mathcal{S}_1 \parallel (\mathcal{S}_2 / \mathcal{S}_1) \leq \mathcal{S}_2 \quad (\mathcal{S}_1 \parallel \mathcal{S}_2) / \mathcal{S}_1 \leq \mathcal{S}_2$$

$$\perp \parallel \mathcal{S} \equiv \perp \quad \mathcal{S} / U \equiv \mathcal{S} \quad U \leq \mathcal{S} / \mathcal{S} \quad U \equiv \perp / \perp$$

$$(\mathcal{S}_1 / \mathcal{S}_2) / \mathcal{S}_3 \equiv \mathcal{S}_1 / (\mathcal{S}_2 \parallel \mathcal{S}_3)$$

$$(U / \mathcal{S}_1) \parallel (U / \mathcal{S}_2) \leq U / (\mathcal{S}_1 \parallel \mathcal{S}_2)$$

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  - relation to **linear logic** and **Girard quantales**

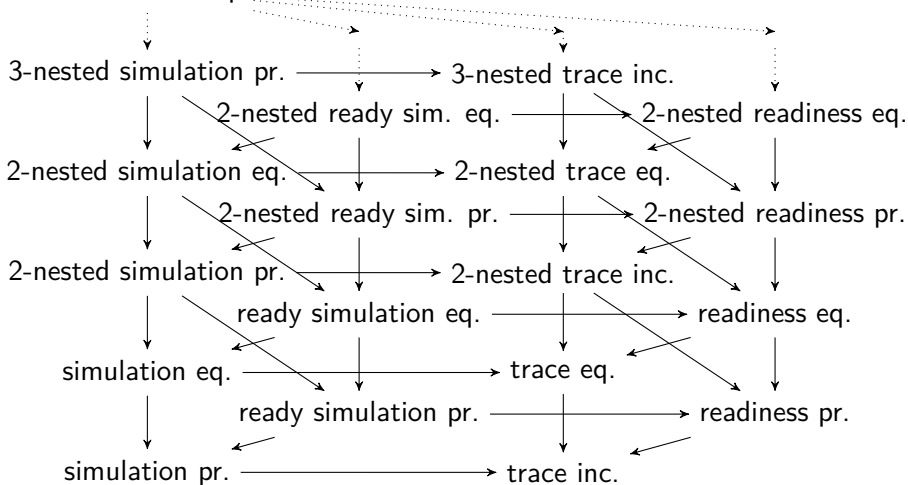
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# Specification Theories for LTS

- (disjunctive) modal transition systems: [Larsen-Xinxin 1989-90]
- equivalence with acceptance automata and Hennessy-Milner logic with greatest fixed points: [Larsen-Boudol 1992], [Beneš-Delahaye-UF *et al.* 2013]
- modal transition systems **with data**: [Bauer-Juhl-Larsen *et al.* 2012]
- **parametric** modal transition systems: [Beneš-Křetínský-Larsen *et al.* 2011]
- for **deadlock** equivalence: [Bujtor-Sorokin-Vogler 2015]

# [UF-Legay SOFSEM 2017]: The Linear-Time–Branching-Time Spectrum of Specification Theories

bisimulation eq.

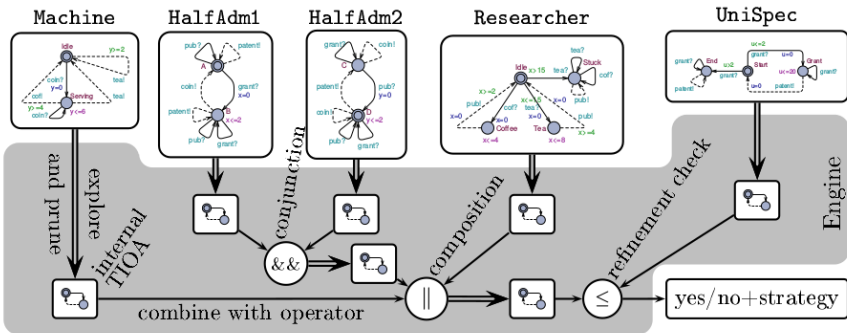


# Specification Theories for Real-Time Systems

## Timed input-output automata:

- [David-Larsen-Legay *et al.*: Real-time specifications, STTT 2015], [David-Larsen-Legay *et al.*: Compositional verification of real-time systems using ECDAR, STTT 2012]
- complete, with quotient, but without disjunction
- only for **deterministic** specifications
- tool support: **ECDAR** / **UPPAAL TiGa** (Aalborg)
- some work on **robustness** and **implementability**: [Larsen-Legay-Traonouez *et al.*: Robust synthesis for real-time systems, TCS 2014]

# Timed Input-Output Automata





# Specification Theories for Real-Time Systems, contd.

Modal **event-clock** specifications:

- [Bertrand-Legay-Pinchinat *et al.*: Modal event-clock specifications for timed component-based design, SCP 2012]
- complete, with quotient, but without disjunction
- only for **deterministic** specifications
- some work on **robustness**: [UF-Legay 2012]

**Synchronous time-triggered** interface theories:

- [Delahaye-UF-Henzinger *et al.* 2012]
- no quotient, no real conjunction, no implementation
- relation to **BIP** (Grenoble)

# Specification Theories for Probabilistic (Timed) Systems

## Abstract probabilistic automata:

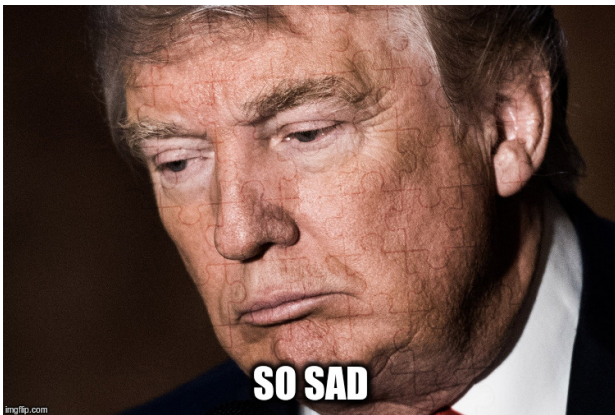
- [Delahaye-Katoen-Larsen *et al.*: Abstract probabilistic automata, I&C 2013], [Delahaye-UF-Larsen *et al.* 2014]
- no quotient, no disjunction, toy implementation

## Abstract probabilistic event-clock automata:

- [Han-Krause-Kwiatkowska *et al.* 2013]
- no quotient, no disjunction, no implementation, other problems

# Specification Theories for Hybrid Systems

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# Interfaces and Contracts

## Modal interface automata

- [Lüttgen-Vogler: Modal interface automata, LMCS 2013]
- interface automata: [de Alfaro-Henzinger 2001]
- inputs vs outputs
- complete, without quotient

From specifications to **contracts**:

- [Bauer-David-Hennicker *et al.* 2012]
- complete specification theory  $\implies$  contract theory
- in a timed setting: [Le-Passerone-UF *et al.*: A tag contract framework for modeling heterogeneous systems, SCP 2016]

# Robust Specification Theories

## Definition (recall)

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- for **robustness**: replace  $\sim$  by **pseudometric**  $d_{\text{Mod}}$
- (such that  $d_{\text{Mod}}(\mathcal{M}_1, \mathcal{M}_2) = 0$  iff  $\mathcal{M}_1 \sim \mathcal{M}_2$ )
- replace  $\leq$  by **non-symmetric** pseudometric  $d$  (“**hemimetric**”)
- ( $d_{\text{Mod}}$  and  $d$  are related via  $\chi$ )
- instead of  $\mathcal{M} \models \mathcal{S}_1 \ \& \ \mathcal{S}_1 \leq \mathcal{S}_2 \implies \mathcal{M} \models \mathcal{S}_2$ ,  
want  $d(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{S}_1) + d(\mathcal{S}_1, \mathcal{S}_2) \geq d(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{S}_2)$
- $d(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}_1 \wedge \mathcal{S}_2) = \max(d(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}_1), d(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}_2), \infty)$
- $d(\mathcal{S}_1 \vee \mathcal{S}_2, \mathcal{S}) = \max(d(\mathcal{S}_1, \mathcal{S}), d(\mathcal{S}_2, \mathcal{S}), \infty)$

# Robust Specification Theories, contd.

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- for **independent implementability**, want **uniform continuity** for  $\parallel$ :  
a function  $C : \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \times \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  such that we can  
replace  $\mathcal{S}_1 \leq \mathcal{S}_3$  &  $\mathcal{S}_2 \leq \mathcal{S}_4 \implies \mathcal{S}_1 \parallel \mathcal{S}_2 \leq \mathcal{S}_3 \parallel \mathcal{S}_4$   
with  $C(d(\mathcal{S}_1, \mathcal{S}_3), d(\mathcal{S}_2, \mathcal{S}_4)) \geq d(\mathcal{S}_1 \parallel \mathcal{S}_2, \mathcal{S}_3 \parallel \mathcal{S}_4)$
- for **quotient**, instead of  $\mathcal{S}_1 \parallel \mathcal{S}_2 \leq \mathcal{S}_3 \iff \mathcal{S}_2 \leq \mathcal{S}_3 / \mathcal{S}_1$   
want  $d(\mathcal{S}_1 \parallel \mathcal{S}_2, \mathcal{S}_3) = d(\mathcal{S}_2, \mathcal{S}_3 / \mathcal{S}_1)$
- [UF-Legay TCS 2014], [UF-Legay Acta Inf. 2014],  
[UF-Křetínský-Legay *et al.* 2014]

# Conclusion?

- **incrementality:**  $\mathcal{M} \models \mathcal{S}_1 \ \& \ \mathcal{S}_1 \leq \mathcal{S}_2 \implies \mathcal{M} \models \mathcal{S}_2$
- **conjunction:**  $\mathcal{M} \models \mathcal{S}_1 \ \& \ \mathcal{M} \models \mathcal{S}_2 \iff \mathcal{M} \models \mathcal{S}_1 \wedge \mathcal{S}_2$
- **disjunction:**  $\mathcal{M} \models \mathcal{S}_1 \ \text{or} \ \mathcal{M} \models \mathcal{S}_2 \iff \mathcal{M} \models \mathcal{S}_1 \vee \mathcal{S}_2$
- **compositionality:**  $\mathcal{M}_1 \models \mathcal{S}_1 \ \& \ \mathcal{M}_2 \models \mathcal{S}_2 \implies \mathcal{M}_1 \parallel \mathcal{M}_2 \models \mathcal{S}_1 \parallel \mathcal{S}_2$
- **quotient:**  $\mathcal{M}_1 \models \mathcal{S}_1 \ \& \ \mathcal{M}_2 \models \mathcal{S} / \mathcal{S}_1 \implies \mathcal{M}_1 \parallel \mathcal{M}_2 \models \mathcal{S}$
- **safety properties**
- Are these all the properties we want?
- Also need robustness
- Long way
  - from acceptance automata
  - to hybrid systems
  - to industry ...