

# Domain Modelling – A Primer

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# Preface

## The Triptych Dogma

In order to *specify* **software**,  
we must understand its requirements.

In order to *prescribe* **requirements**,  
we must understand the **domain**.

So we must **study, analyse** and **describe** domains.

## Domains – What Are They ?

By a *domain* we shall understand a *rationaly describable* segment of a *discrete dynamics* fragment of a *human assisted* reality, i.e., of the world. It includes its **endurants**, i.e., *solid and fluid entities* of **parts** and **living species**, and **perdurants**.

*Endurants* are either *natural* [“God-given”] or *artefactual* [“man-made”] and may be considered *atomic* or *compound* parts, or, as in this primer, further unanalysed *living species*: **plants** and **animals** – including *humans*. *Perdurants* are here considered to be *actions, events* and *behaviours*.

**Examples** of domains are: *rail, road, sea and air transport; water, oil and gas pipelines; industrial manufacturing; the financial service industry: clients, banks, credit cards, stocks, etc.; consumer, retail and wholesale markets; health care; et cetera.*

## Aim and Objectives

- The **aim** of this primer is to contribute to a methodology for analysing and describing domains.
- The **objectives** – in the sense of ‘how is the aim achieved’ – is reflected in the structure and contents and the didactic approach of this primer.
- The main elements of our approach – along one concept-axis – can be itemized:
  - ∞ There is the founding of our analysis & description approach in providing a base **philosophy**, cf. Chapter 2.
  - ∞ There is the application of ideas of **taxonomy** to understand the possibly hierarchical structuring of domain phenomena respectively the understanding of properties of phenomena and relations between them.
  - ∞ There are the notions **endurants** and **perdurants** – with *endurants* being the phenomena that can be observed, or conceived and described, as a “complete thing” at no matter which given snapshot of time [123, Vol. I, pg. 656], and *perdurants* being the phenomena for which only a fragment exists if we look at or touch them at any given snapshot in time [123, Vol. II, pg. 1552].
  - ∞ There is the introduction of base elements of **calculi** for analysing and describing domains.
  - ∞ There is the application of ideas of **ontology** to understand the possibly hierarchical structuring of these calculi.
  - ∞ And finally there is the notion of **transcendental deduction**, cf. Sect. 2.1.2, for “morphing” certain kinds of endurants into certain kinds of perdurants, Chapter 6.
- Along another conceptual-axis the below are further elements of our approach:
  - ∞ We consider domain descriptions, requirements prescriptions and software design specifications to be **mathematical** quantities.
  - ∞ And we consider them basically in the sense of **recursive function theory** [145, Hartley Rogers, 1952] and **type theory** [132, Benjamin Pierce, 1997].

## Methodology

By a **method** we shall understand a set of **principles**<sup>3</sup> and **procedures**<sup>4</sup> for selecting and applying a set of **techniques**<sup>5</sup> and **tools**<sup>6</sup> to a problem in order to achieve an orderly construction of a **solution**, i.e., an **artefact**.

By a **methodology** we shall understand the *study & application* of one or more methods.

By a **formal method** we shall understand a method

- whose *principles* include that of considering its artefacts as *mathematical* quantities, of *abstraction*, etc.;
- whose decisive *procedures* include that of
  - ∞ the sequential analysis & description of first endurants, then perdurants, and,
  - ∞ within the analysis & description of endurants, the sequential analysis & description of first their external qualities and then their internal qualities,
  - ∞ etc.;
- whose *techniques* include those of specific ways of specifying properties; and
- whose *tools* include those of one or more **formal languages**.

By a **language** we shall here understand a set of strings of characters, i.e., sentences, sentences which are structured according to some **syntax**, i.e., **grammar**, are given meaning by some **semantics**, and are used according to some **pragmatics**.

By a **formal language** we shall here understand a language whose *syntax* and *semantics* can both be expressed **mathematically** and for whose sentences one can **rationally reason** (*argue, prove*) **properties**.

We refer to Chapter 1 of [48] for an 8 page, approximately 50 entries set of concept definitions such as the above.

We refer to the Method index, Sect. **D.4** on page 207.

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In this **primer** we shall use the formal specification language, RSL, the RAISE<sup>7</sup> Specification Language, [90] – and we shall notably rely on RSL’s adaptation of **CSP**, Tony Hoare’s *Communicating Sequential Processes* [106]; and we shall propagate a definitive method for the study and description of domains.

## An Emphasis

When we say *domain analysis & description* we mean that the result of such a domain analysis & description is to be a model that describes a usually infinite set of domain instances. Domains exhibit endurants and perdurants. A domain model is therefore something that defines the *nouns* (roughly speaking the endurants) and *verbs* (roughly speaking the perdurants) – and their combination – of a *language* spoken and used in writing by the practitioners of the domain. Not an instantiation of nouns, verbs and their combination, but all possible and sensible instantiations.

<sup>3</sup> By a **principle** we mean: a *principle is a proposition or value that is a guide for behavior or evaluation* [Wikipedia], i.e., *code of conduct*

<sup>4</sup> By a **procedure** we mean: *instructions or recipes, a set of commands that show how to achieve some result, such as to prepare or make something* [Wikipedia], i.e., *an established way of doing something*

<sup>5</sup> By a **technique** we mean: *a technique, or skill, is the learned ability to perform an action with determined results with good execution often within a given amount of time, energy, or both* [Wikipedia], i.e., *a way of carrying out a particular task*

<sup>6</sup> By a **tool** we mean: *a tool is an object that can extend an individual’s ability to modify features of the surrounding environment* [Wikipedia]

<sup>7</sup> **RAISE: Rigorous Approach to Industrial Software Engineering**, [91]

## A Caveat

Experienced RSL [90] readers might observe our, perhaps cavalier (offhand), use of RSL. Perhaps, in some places, the syntax of RSL clauses is not quite right. Our non-use of RSL's module (Scheme, Class and Object) constructs force us to declare channels in the same way types, values and variables are introduced.

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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

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In proofs of correctness ( $\models$ ) of Software with respect to Requirements assumptions are often stated with respect to the Domain. So this, therefore, alone justifies our focus on domains.

This **primer** is both a significantly reduced version of the scientific monograph [48] and a revision and, notably, simplification, of some of its findings.

### 1.1 Why This Primer ?

This **primer** is intended as a **textbook**. The courses that we have in mind are, in the **lectures, to focus** on Chapters 3–6, i.e., Pages 25–113. The **serious students**, whether just readers or actual, physical course lecture attendants, are expected to study Chapters 1–2 as well as Chapter 7 and the Bibliography (Chapter 8) and the appendices on their own !

This **primer** is about how to *analyse & describe* man-made domains (including their possible interaction with nature). We emphasize the ampersand: ‘&’.<sup>8</sup> We justify competency in *Domain Science & Engineering* for two reasons. (i) For reasons of proper *engineering* software development – as indicated by the above **Triptych Dogma**. In possible proofs of software properties references are made, not only to the software code itself and the requirements, but also to the domain, the latter in the form of *assumptions about the domain*. In our mind no software development project ought be undertaken unless it more-or-less starts with a proper domain engineering phase. And (ii) for reasons of *scientifically* understanding our own everyday practical world: financial institutions, the transport industry (road, rail and air traffic, shipping), feeder systems (such as oil, gas, water and other such pipeline systems), etc.

## 1.2 Structure

The **primer**, beyond the present chapter, has, syntactically speaking, three elements:

- 1 **Chapter 2** covers the *philosophy* of Kai Sørlander [152–156].  
Yes, a major contribution of [48] and this **primer** is to justify important domain concepts by their sheer inevitability in any world description.
- 2 **Chapters 3–6** presents *the methodology of domain engineering*. It is split into four chapters for practical and pragmatic reasons. Chapter 3 gives a “capsule introduction” into Chapters 4–6.
- 3 **Chapters 7–8** and **Appendices A–D** cover such things as ‘closing remarks’ (**7**), a ‘bibliography’ (**8**), a ‘Road Transport’ example (**A**), a ‘Pipeline System’ example (**B**), an ‘RSL formal specification language’ primer (**C**), and ‘Indexes’ to definitions, concepts, etc. (**D**).

## 1.3 Prerequisite Skills

The reader is expected to possess the following skills:

- To be reasonably versed in **discrete mathematics**: mathematical logic and set theory.
- To have had, even if only a fleeting, acquaintance with abstract specifications in the style of VDM [59,60,85], Z [166], CafeObj [87], Maude [72,125], or the like – and thus to enjoy abstractions<sup>9</sup>.
- To have reasonable experience with **functional programming** a la Standard ML or F [96,100,129] respectively [97] – or similar such language.
- To have reasonable experience with **CSP** [105–107,146,150].

The reader is further expected to possess the following mindset:

- To basically consider software as **mathematical objects**. That is: as quantities about which one can (and must) reason logically.
- To **think and “act” abstractly**. An essence of abstraction is expressed in the next section.
- To **act responsibly**<sup>10</sup>, that is to make sure that You have indeed understood Your domain, that You have indeed reasoned about adequacy of your requirements, and You have indeed model-checked, proved and formally tested Your specifications.

<sup>8</sup> By not writing ‘and’, but ‘&’, we shall emphasize that in  $A \& B$  we are dealing with **one** concept which consists of both  $A$  and  $B$  “tightly interacting”.

<sup>9</sup> Some say: “*Mathematics is the Science of Abstractions*”! Others say that both “*Mathematics and Physics are Abstractions of Reality*”.

<sup>10</sup> It is, today, January 7, 2024: 14:35, very fashionable to propagate messages of ‘ethics’ to programmers – without even touching upon issues such as “*have You understood Your application domain thoroughly?*”, or “*have You reasoned about adequacy of your requirements?*”, or “*have You model-checked, proved and formally tested your specifications (descriptions and prescriptions) and Your code?*”, etc.

## 1.4 Abstraction

Conception, my boy, fundamental brain-work,  
is what makes the difference in all art.

*D.G. Rossetti<sup>11</sup>: letter to T. H. Hall Caine<sup>12</sup>*

*Abstraction is a tool, used by the human mind, and to be applied in the process of describing (understanding) complex phenomena.*

*Abstraction is the most powerful such tool available to the human intellect.*

*Science proceeds by simplifying reality. The first step in simplification is abstraction. Abstraction (in the context of science) means leaving out of account all those empirical data which do not fit the particular, conceptual framework within which science at the moment happens to be working.*

*Abstraction (in the process of specification) arises from a conscious decision to advocate certain desired objects, situations and processes as being fundamental; by exposing, in a first, or higher, level of description, their similarities and – at that level – ignoring possible differences.*

[From the opening paragraphs of [104, C.A.R. Hoare, *Notes on Data Structuring*].]

## 1.5 Software Engineering

### 1.5.1 Domain Science & Engineering

This **primer** covers only the *application domain* of software development. There are two things to say about that. One is that facets of *requirements*, essential ones, is covered in [48, Chapter 8], general ones in [20, Software Engineering, III, Part V]; the other is that the pursuit of developing domain models is not just for the sake of software development, but also for the sake of just understanding the man-made world around us. Domain science and engineering can thus be pursued in-and-by itself.

### 1.5.2 Software Engineering

In 2006 these books were published: [18–20]:



<sup>11</sup> Dante Gabrielli Rossetti, 1828–1882, English poet, illustrator, painter and translator.

<sup>12</sup> T. H. Hall Caine, 1853–1931, British novelist, dramatist, short story writer, poet and critic.

### 1.5.2.1 Domain Engineering: 2016–2022

The first inklings of the domain science and engineering of [48] appeared in [30, 34, 2010]. More-or-less “final” ideas were published, first in [41, 2017], then in [45, March 2019]. The book [48] with updates in this **primer**, then constitutes the most recent status of our work in domain science & engineering.

[20, Software Engineering, III, Part V] does not cover the *Domain Engineering* material covered in [48, Chapter 8: Domain Facets]. That latter was researched [29] and developed between the appearance of [20] and, obviously, [48].

Part V of [20], except for Chapters 17–18 is still relevant. Chapters 17–18 of [20] are now to be replaced in any study by Chapters 4–7 of [48] **or** this **primer** !

### 1.5.2.2 Requirements Engineering

This **primer** does not show You how to proceed into software development according to the **Triptych Dogma**. This is strongly hinted at in [48, Chapter 9]. (That chapter is an adaptation of [22, May 2008].) Our approach to *requirements engineering* is rather different from that of both [121, A. van Laamswerde] and [114, M. A. Jackson] – to cite two relevant works. It is, we strongly think, commensurate with these works. We wish that someone could take up this line of research: making more precise, perhaps more formal, the ideas of *projection*, *intialisation*, *determination*, *extension* and *fitting*; and comparing, perhaps unifying our approach with that of Lamsweerde and Jackson.

### 1.5.2.3 Software Design

For the software design phase, after requirements engineering, we, of course, recommend [18, 19, *Software Engineering* Vols. 1–2]

## 1.6 The Structuring of The Text

The reader will find that this text consists of “diverse” kinds of usually small paragraphs of texts: **definitions** – properly numbered and labeled; **examples** – properly numbered and labeled; **analysis predicate**, **function**, and **description prompt** “formalisations”; **method** principle, procedure, technique and tool paragraphs; – all of these delineated by closing ■ s; – with short, usually one or two small paragraphs of introductory or otherwise explaining texts. All of these are “brought to You in living colours”<sup>13</sup> So be prepared: Study such paragraphs: paragraph-by-paragraph. Each forms a separate “whole”.

## 1.7 Self-Study

This **primer** is primarily intended to support actual, physical lectures. For self-study by B.Sc. and M.Sc. students and practicing novice software engineers we recommend to use this **primer** in connection with its “origin” [48]. For self-study by Ph.D. students and graduated computer scientist we recommend going directly to the source: [48].

<sup>13</sup> – as the NBC Television Network programmes would “proudly” announce in the 1960s !



## 1.8 Two Examples

There are around 80 examples, scattered all over the first 120 pages. In addition we bring two larger examples:

- Road Transport, Appendix **A**, pages 131–149,
- Pipelines, Appendix **B**, pages 151–172.

## 1.9 Relation to [48]

This **primer** is based on [48, Nov. 2021]. Chapter 2 is a complete rewrite of [48, Chapter 2]. Chapters 4–6 is a “condensation” of [48, Chapters 4–7]: [48, Chapter 6] has been shortened and appears in this **primer** as Sect. 2.1.2. From [48, Chapter 4] we have, in Chapter 4, omitted all material on – what is there referred to as *Conjoins*. And we have further sharpened the notion of *type names*. We have sharpened the focus on methods: principle, procedures, techniques and tools. You will find, in the *Indexes* section, Sect. **D.4** on page 207, a summary of references to these. Work is still in progress on highlighting more of the method steps. Section 6.10 is new.

## 1.10 The RAISE Specification Language, RSL, and RSL<sup>+</sup>

The formal notation (to go with the informal text) of this **primer** is that of RSL [90], the **RAISE Specification Language**, where RAISE stands for **R**igorous **A**pproach to **I**ndustrial **S**oftware **E**ngineering [91]. Other formal notations could be used instead. Replacement examples could be VDM [59, 60, 85], Z [166], or Alloy [112]. We are more using the RAISE specification language, RSL than using the method. And we are using it in two ways:

- Informally, to present and explain the domain analysis & description methods of this **primer**, and
- formally, to present domain descriptions.

The informal RSL is an extended version, RSL<sup>+</sup>.<sup>14</sup> The two ways are otherwise not related. One could use another specification language either for the informal or for the formal aspects.

## 1.11 Closing

The purpose of this introduction is to place the present **primer** in the context of Dines Bjørner’s other books [18–20] on software development and possible lectures and self-study.

<sup>14</sup> See Appendix Sect. **C.13** on page 198.



## Chapter 2

# Kai Sørlander's Philosophy

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**Definition 1 Philosophy.** Philosophy<sup>15</sup> is the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind, and language<sup>16</sup>.

## 2.1 Introduction

In philosophising questions are asked. One does not necessarily get answers to these questions. Questions are examined. Light is thrown on the questions and their derivative questions.

Philosophy is man's endeavour, our quest, for uncovering the necessary characteristics of our world and our situation as humans in that world.

We shall focus on the issues of metaphysics.

The treatment in this chapter is based very much on the works of the Danish philosopher Kai Sørlander (1944) [152–156, 1994–2022] both in contrast to and inspired by the German philosopher Immanuel Kant (1724–1804) [93]. In 2023, in collaboration with Kai Sørlander, [156] was translated into English [157].

The reason why we, as computer scientists, should be interested in philosophy, is that philosophers over more than 2500 years<sup>17</sup> have thought about existence: why is the world as it is – and

<sup>15</sup> From Greek: φιλοσοφία, philosophia, 'love of wisdom'

<sup>16</sup> Many of the 'definitions' in this **primer** are in the style used in philosophy. They are not in the 'precise' style commonly used in mathematics and computer science. You may wish to call them **characterisations**. In mathematics and computer science the definer usually has a formal base on which to build. In domain science & engineering we do not have a formal base, we have the "material" world of natural and man-made phenomena.

<sup>17</sup> – starting, one could claim, with:

- *Thales of Milet* 624–545 [everything originates from water] [130];
  - *Anaximander* 610–546 ['apeiron' (the 'un-differentiated', 'the unlimited') is the origin] [75];
  - *Anaximenes* 586–526 [air is the basis for everything] [127];
  - *Heraklit of Efesos* 540–480 [fire is the basis and everything in nature is in never-ending 'battle'] [5];
  - *Empedokles* 490–430 [there are four base elements: fire, water, air and soil] [167];
  - *Parmenides* 515–470 [everything that exists is eternal and immutable] [103];
  - *Demokrit* 460–370 [all is built from atoms] [1];
  - the Sophists: Protagoras, Gorgias (fifth and fourth centuries BC),
  - *Socrates* (470–399) [2],
  - *Plato* (424–347) [83],
  - *Aristotle* (384–322) [6],
  - etcetera.
- After more than 1800 years came
- *René Descartes* (1596–1650) [80],
  - *Baruch Spinoza* (1632–1677) [158],
  - *John Locke* (1632–1704) [124],
  - *George Berkeley* (1685–1753) [9],
  - *David Hume* (1711–1776) [110],
  - *Immanuel Kant* (1724–1804) [117],
  - *Johan Gottlieb Fichte* (1762–1814) [115],
  - *Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel* (1770–1831) [101],
  - *Friedrich Wilhelm Schelling* (1775–1864) [8],
  - *Edmund Husserl* (1859–1938) [111],
  - *Bertrand Russell* (1872–1970) [147–149, 162],
  - *Ludwig Wittgenstein* (1889–1951) [164, 165],
  - *Martin Heidegger* (1889–1976) [102],
  - *Rudolf Karnap* (1891–1970) [67–69],
  - *Karl Popper* (1902–1994) [135, 136],
  - etcetera.

(This list is "pilfered" from [155, Pages 33–127].) [155] presents an analysis of the metaphysics of these philosophers. Except for those of Russell, Wittgenstein, Karnap and Popper, these references are just that.

computer scientists, like other scientists (notably physicists and economists), repeatedly model fragments of the world; and the reason why we focus on Kai Sørlander, is that his philosophy addresses issues that are crucial to our understanding of how we must proceed when modelling domains – and, we think, in a way that helps us model domains with a high assurance that our models are reasonable, can withstand close scrutiny. Kai Sørlander thinks and writes logically, rationally. The area of his philosophy that we are focusing on here is metaphysics.

### 2.1.1 Metaphysics

The branch of philosophy that we are focusing on is referred to as metaphysics. To explain that concept we quote from [Wikipedia]:

*“Metaphysics is the branch of philosophy that studies the fundamental nature of reality, the first principles of being, identity and change, space and time, causality, necessity, and possibility.<sup>18</sup> It includes questions about the nature of consciousness and the relationship between mind and matter, between substance and attribute, and between potentiality and actuality.<sup>19</sup> The word “metaphysics” comes from two Greek words that, together, literally mean “after or behind or among [the study of] the natural”. It has been suggested that the term might have been coined by a first century editor who assembled various small selections of Aristotle’s works into the treatise we now know by the name Metaphysics (μετα τα φυσικα, meta ta physika, literally ‘after the Physics’, another of Aristotle’s works) [74].*

*Metaphysics studies questions related to what it is for something to exist and what types of existence there are. Metaphysics seeks to answer, in an abstract and fully general manner, the questions.<sup>20</sup>*

- What is there ?
- What is it like ?

*Topics of metaphysical investigation include existence, objects and their properties, space and time, cause and effect, and possibility. Metaphysics is considered one of the four main branches of philosophy, along with epistemology, logic, and ethics” en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Metaphysics.*

### 2.1.2 Transcendental Deductions

A crucial element in Kant’s and Sørlander’s philosophies is that of *transcendental deduction*.

It should be clear to the reader that in *domain analysis & description* we are reflecting on a number of philosophical issues; first and foremost on those of *ontology*. For this chapter we reflect on a sub-field of epistemology, we reflect on issues of *transcendental* nature. Should you wish to follow-up on the concept of transcendental, we refer to [93, Immanuel Kant], [109, Oxford Companion to Philosophy, pages 878–880], [4, The Cambridge Dictionary of Philosophy, pages 807–810], [66, The Blackwell Dictionary of Philosophy, pages 54–55 (1998)], and [155, Sørlander].

#### 2.1.2.1 Some Definitions

<sup>18</sup> [www.encyclopedia.com/philosophy-and-religion/philosophy/philosophy-terms-and-concepts/metaphysics](http://www.encyclopedia.com/philosophy-and-religion/philosophy/philosophy-terms-and-concepts/metaphysics)

<sup>19</sup> Metaphysics. American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language (5th ed.). 2011.

<sup>20</sup> What is it (that is, whatever it is that there is) like? Hall, Ned (2012). “David Lewis’s Metaphysics”. In Edward N. Zalta (ed.). The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy (Fall 2012 ed.). Center for the Study of Language and Information, Stanford University.

**Definition 2 Transcendental.** By **transcendental** we shall understand the philosophical notion: **the a priori or intuitive basis of knowledge, independent of experience** .

A priori knowledge or intuition is central: By *a priori* we mean that it not only precedes, but also determines rational thought.

**Definition 3 Transcendental Deduction.** By a **transcendental deduction** we shall understand the philosophical notion: **a transcendental “conversion” of one kind of knowledge into a seemingly different kind of knowledge** .

### 2.1.2.2 Some Informal Examples

**Example 1 Transcendental Deductions – Informal Examples.** We give some intuitive examples of transcendental deductions. They are from the “domain” of programming languages. There is the syntax of a programming language, and there are the programs that supposedly adhere to this syntax. Given that, the following are now transcendental deductions.

The software tool, **a syntax checker**, that takes a program and checks whether it satisfies the syntax, including the statically decidable context conditions, i.e., the *statics semantics* – such a tool is one of several forms of transcendental deductions.

The software tools, **an automatic theorem prover** and **a model checker**, for example SPIN [108], that takes a program and some theorem, respectively a Promela statement, and proves, respectively checks, the program correct with respect the theorem, or the statement.

A **compiler** and an **interpreter** for any programming language.

Yes, indeed, any **abstract interpretation** [77,78] reflects a transcendental deduction: firstly, these examples show that there are many transcendental deductions; secondly, they show that there is no single-most preferred transcendental deduction.

A transcendental deduction, crudely speaking, is just any abstraction that can be “linked” to another, not by logical necessity, but by logical (and philosophical) possibility !

**Definition 4 Transcendentality.** By **transcendentality** we shall here mean the philosophical notion: “the state or condition of being transcendental” .

**Example 2 Transcendentality.** We<sup>21</sup> can speak of an automobile in at least three *senses*:

- (i) The automobile as it is being "maintained, serviced, refueled";
- (ii) the automobile as it "speeds" down its route; and
- (iii) the automobile as it "appears" in an advertisement.

The three *senses* are:

- (i) as an **endurant** (here a *part*),
- (ii) as a **perdurant** (as we shall see, a *behaviour*), and
- (iii) as an **attribute**.

The above example, we claim, reflects *transcendentality* as follows:

- (i) We have knowledge of an endurant (i.e., a part) being an endurant.
- (ii) We are then to assume that the perdurant referred to in (ii) is an aspect of the endurant mentioned in (i) – where perdurants are to be assumed to represent a different kind of knowledge.

<sup>21</sup> We first came across this example when it was presented to us by Paul Lindgreen, an early Danish computer scientist (1936–2021) – and then as a problem of data modelling [122, 1983].

(iii) And, finally, we are to further assume that the attribute mentioned in (iii) is somehow related to both (i) and (ii) – where at least this attribute is to be assumed to represent yet a different kind of knowledge.

In other words: two (i–ii) kinds of different knowledge; that they relate *must indeed* be based on *a priori knowledge*. Someone claims that they relate! The two statements (i–ii) are claimed to relate transcendently.<sup>22</sup>

### 2.1.2.3 Bibliographical Note

The philosophical concept of *transcendental deduction* is a subtle one. Arguments of transcendental nature, across the literature of philosophy, do not follow set principles and techniques. We refer to [4, *The Cambridge Dictionary of Philosophy*, pages 807–810] and [66, *The Blackwell Companion to Philosophy*, Chapter 22: Kant (David Bell), pages 589–606, Bunnin and Tsui-James, eds.] for more on ‘transcendence’.

## 2.2 The Philosophical Question

Sørlander focuses on the philosophical question of “**what is thus necessary that it could not, under any circumstances, be otherwise?**”.

To study and try answer that question Sørlander thinks rationally, that is, *reasons*, rather than expresses emotions. The German philosopher Immanuel Kant (1724–1804) suggests that our philosophising as to the philosophical question above must build on “*something which no person can consistently deny, and thus, something that every person can rationally justify, as a consequence of being able to think at all*”. Kant then goes on to build his philosophy [117] on *the possibility of self-awareness* – something of which we all are aware. Sørlander then, in for example [155], shows that this leads to solipsism<sup>23</sup>, i.e., to nothing.

## 2.3 Three Principles

### 2.3.1 The Possibility of Truth

Instead Sørlander suggests that **the possibility of truth** be the basis for the thinking of an answer to the highlighted question above. *The possibility of truth* is shared by all of us.

### 2.3.2 The Principle of Contradiction

Once we accept that *the possibility of truth* cannot be denied, we have also accepted **the principle of contradiction**, that is, that an assertion and its negation cannot both be true.

<sup>22</sup> – the attribute statement was “thrown” in “for good measure”, i.e., to highlight the issue!

<sup>23</sup> Solipsism: the view or theory that the self is all that can be known to exist.

### 2.3.3 The Implicit Meaning Theory

We must thus also accept *the implicit meaning theory*.

**Definition 5 Implicit Meaning Theory.** The implicit meaning theory implies that there is a *mutual relationship* between the ( $\alpha$ ) *meaning of designations* and ( $\beta$ ) *consistency relations between assertions* ■

As an example of what “goes into” the *implicit meaning theory*, we bring, albeit from the world of computer science, that of the description of the **stack** data type (its endurant data types and perdurant operations).

**Example 3 An Implicit Meaning Theory. Narrative:**

**$\alpha$ . The Designations:**

- 1 Stacks,  $s:S$ , have elements,  $e:E$ ;
- 2 the `empty_S` operation takes no arguments and yields a result stack;
- 3 the `is_empty_S` operation takes an argument stack and yields a Boolean value result.
- 4 the `stack` operation takes two arguments: an element and a stack and yields a result stack.
- 5 the `unstack` operation takes a non-empty argument stack and yields a stack result.
- 6 the `top` operation takes a non-empty argument stack and yields an element result.

**$\beta$ . The Consistency Relations:**

- 7 an `empty_S` stack `is_empty`, and a stack with at least one element is not;
- 8 unstacking an argument stack, `stack(e,s)`, results in the stack `s`; and
- 9 inquiring the `top` of a non-empty argument stack, `stack(e,s)`, yields `e`.

**Formalisation:**

The designations:

**type**

1.  $E, S$

**value**

2. `empty_S`:  $\text{Unit} \rightarrow S$
3. `is_empty_S`:  $S \rightarrow \text{Bool}$
4. `stack`:  $E \times S \rightarrow S$
5. `unstack`:  $S \rightarrow S$

6. `top`:  $S \rightarrow E$

The consistency relations:

**axiom**

7. `is_empty(empty_S())` = `true`
7. `is_empty(stack(e,s))` = `false`
8. `unstack(stack(e,s))` = `s`
9. `top(stack(e,s))` = `e` ■

### 2.3.4 A Domain Analysis & Description Core

The three concepts: (i) *the possibility of truth*, (ii) *the principle of contradiction* and (iii) *the implicit meaning theory* thus form the core – and imply that (a) *the indispensably necessary characteristics of any possible world, i.e., domain*, are equivalent with (b) *the similarly indispensably necessary conditions for any possible domain description*.

## 2.4 The Deductions

### 2.4.1 Assertions



**Definition 6 Assertion.** An assertion is a declaration, an utterance, that something is the case. ■

Assertions may typically be either propositions or predicates.

## 2.4.2 The Logical Connectives

Any domain description must necessarily contain assertions. Assertions are expressed in terms of negation,  $\sim$ , conjunction,  $\wedge$ , disjunction,  $\vee$ , and implication,  $\Rightarrow$ .

### 2.4.2.1 $\sim$ : Negation

Negation is defined by the principle of contradiction. If an assertion,  $a$ , holds, then its negation,  $\sim a$ , does not hold.

### 2.4.2.2 Simple Assertions

Simple assertions, i.e., propositions, are formed from assertions, for example  $a, b$ , by means of the logical connectives.

### 2.4.2.3 $\wedge$ : Conjunction

The simple assertion  $a \wedge b$  holds if both  $a$  and  $b$  hold.

### 2.4.2.4 $\vee$ : Disjunction

The simple assertion  $a \vee b$  holds if either of or both of  $a$  and  $b$  hold.

### 2.4.2.5 $\Rightarrow$ : Implication

The simple assertion  $a \Rightarrow b$  holds if  $a$  is *inconsistent* with the negation of  $b$ .

## 2.4.3 Modalities

### 2.4.3.1 Necessity

**Definition 7 Necessity.** An assertion is *necessarily true* if its truth ("true") follows from the definition of the designations by means of which it is expressed. Such an assertion holds under all circumstances. ■

**Example 4 Necessity.** "It may rain someday" is necessarily true.

### 2.4.3.2 Possibility

**Definition 8 Possibility.** An assertion is *possibly true* if its negation is not *necessarily true* ■

**Example 5 Possibility.** “It will rain tomorrow” is possibly true.

### 2.4.4 Empirical Assertions

**Definition 9 Empirical Knowledge.** In philosophy, knowledge gained from experience – rather than from innate ideas or deductive reasoning – is empirical knowledge. In the sciences, knowledge gained from experiment and observation – rather than from theory – is empirical knowledge ■

**Example 6 Expressing Empirical Knowledge.** There are innumerable ways of expressing empirical knowledge.

- a. There are two automobiles in that garage.<sup>24</sup>
- b. The two automobiles in that garage are distinct.<sup>25</sup>
- c. The two automobiles in that garage are parked next to one another.<sup>26</sup>
- d. That automobile, the one to the left, in that garage is [painted] red.<sup>27</sup>
- e. The automobile to the right in that garage has just returned from a drive.<sup>28</sup>
- f. The automobile, with Danish registration number AB 12345, is currently driving on the Copenhagen area city Holte road Fredsvej at position ‘top of the hill’.<sup>29</sup>
- g. The automobile on the roof of that garage is pink.

The pronoun ‘that’ shall be taken to mean that someone gestures at, points out, the garage in question. If there is no such garage then the assertion denotes the **chaos** value ! Statements (a.–g.) are assertions. The assertions contain *references* to quantities “outside the assertions” — ‘outside’ in the sense that they are not defined in the assertions. Assertion (g.) does not make sense, i.e., yields **chaos**. The term ‘roof’ has not been defined ■

*I: The Object Language.*<sup>30</sup> The language used in the above assertions is quite ‘free-wheeling’. The language to be used in “our” domain descriptions is, i.e., will be, more rigid ■

**Definition 10 Empirical Assertion.** The domain description language of assertions, contain **references**, i.e., *designators*, and **operators**. All of these shall be properly defined in terms of names of *endurants* and their *unique identifiers*, *mereologies* and *attributes*; and in terms of their *perdurant* “counterparts” ■

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<sup>24</sup> The automobiles are solid endurants, and so is the garage, that is, they are both parts.

<sup>25</sup> Their distinctness gives rise to their respective, distinct, i.e., unique identifiers.

<sup>26</sup> The topological ordering of the two automobiles is an example of their mereology.

<sup>27</sup> The red colour of the automobile is an attribute of that automobile.

<sup>28</sup> The fact that that automobile, to the right in the garage, has just returned from a drive, is a possibly time-stamped attribute of that automobile.

<sup>29</sup> The automobile in question is now a perdurant having a so-called time-stamped programmable event attribute of the Copenhagen area city of Holte, “top of the hill”.

<sup>30</sup> The prefix *I* indented paragraph designates an *I*nformal explication.

**From Possible Predicates to Conceptual Logic Description Framework.** The ability to deduce which type of predicates that a phenomenon of any domain can be ascribed is thus equivalent to deducing the conceptual logical conditions for every possible domain description.

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By a so-called *transcendental deduction* we have shown that simple empirical assertions consist of a **subject** which **refers** to an independently existing entity and a **predicate** which ascribes a **property** to the referred entity [155,  $\pi$  146  $\ell$  1–5]<sup>31</sup>.

If the world, or as we shall put it, the domains, that we shall be concerned with, are *what can be described in simple assertions*, then any possible such world, i.e., domain must *primarily consist of such entities* [155,  $\pi$  146  $\ell$  5–7].

We shall therefore, in the following, explicate a system of **concepts** by means of which the entities, that may be referred to in simple assertions, can be described [155,  $\pi$  146  $\ell$  8–11].

*I*: These **concepts** are those of entities, endurants, perdurants, unique identity, mereology and attributes. ■

### 2.4.5 Identity and Difference

We can now assume that the world consists of an indefinite number of entities: Different empirical assertions may refer to distinct entities. Most immediately we can define two interconnected concepts: **identity** and **diversity**.

#### 2.4.5.1 Identity

**Definition 11 Identical.** “An entity referred to by the name *A* is *identical* to an entity referred to by the name *B* if *A* cannot be ascribed a property which is incommensurable with a property ascribed to *B*” [155,  $\pi$  146  $\ell$  14–23] ■

#### 2.4.5.2 Difference

**Definition 12 Different.** “*A* and *B* are *distinct*, differ from one another, if they can be ascribed incommensurable properties.” [155,  $\pi$  146  $\ell$  23–26] ■

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“These definitions, by transcendental deduction, introduce the concepts of **identity** and **difference**. They can thus be assumed in any transcendental deduction of a domain description which, in principle, must be expressed in any possible language”. [155,  $\pi$  147  $\ell$  1–5]

**Definition 13 Unique Identification.** By a *transcendental deduction* we introduce the concept of manifest, physical entities each being uniquely identified ■

We make no assumptions about any representation of unique identifiers.

<sup>31</sup> The reference [155,  $\pi$  150  $\ell$  1–5] refers to the [155] book by Kai Sørlander, page 150, lines 1–5.

## 2.4.6 Relations

### 2.4.6.1 Identity and Difference

**Definition 14 Relation.** “Implicitly”, from the two concepts of *identity* and *difference*, follows the concept of **relations**. “*A* identical to *B* is a relational assertion. So is *A* different from *B*” [155,  $\pi$  147  $\ell$  6-10] ■

### 2.4.6.2 Symmetry

**Definition 15 Symmetry.** If *A* is identical to *B* then *B* must be identical to *A*. This expresses that the *identical to* relation is *symmetric*. And, if *A* is different from *B* then *B* must be different from *A*. This expresses that the *different from* relation is also *symmetric* ■

### 2.4.6.3 Asymmetry

**Definition 16 Asymmetry.** A relation which holds between *A* and *B* but does not hold between *B* and *A* is *asymmetric* [155,  $\pi$  147  $\ell$  25–27] ■

### 2.4.6.4 Transitivity

**Definition 17 Transitivity.** “If *A* is identical to *B* and if *B* is identical to *C* then *A* must be identical to *C*. So the relation *identical to* is *transitive*” [155,  $\pi$  147-148  $\ell$  28-30,1-4] ■

The relation *different from* is not transitive.

### 2.4.6.5 Intransitivity

**Definition 18 Intransitivity.** If, on the other hand, we can logically deduce that a relation,  $\mathcal{R}$  holds from *A* to *B* and the same relation,  $\mathcal{R}$ , holds from *B* to *C* but  $\mathcal{R}$  does not hold from *A* to *C* then relation  $\mathcal{R}$  is *intransitive* [155,  $\pi$  148  $\ell$  9–12] ■

## 2.4.7 Sets, Quantifiers and Numbers

### 2.4.7.1 Sets

The possibility now exists that two or more entities may be prescribed the same property.

**Definition 19 Sets.** The “same properties” could, for example, be that two or more uniquely distinguished entities,  $x, y, \dots, z$ , have [at least] one attribute kind (type) and value,  $(t, v)$ , in common. This means that  $(t, v)$  distinguishes a set  $s_{(s,v)}$  – by a *transcendental deduction*. A fact, just  $t$  likewise distinguishes a possibly other, most likely “larger”, set  $s_t$  ■

From the transcendently deduced notion of set follows the relations: equality,  $=$ , inequality,  $\neq$ , proper subset,  $\subset$ , subset,  $\subseteq$ , set membership,  $\in$ , set intersection,  $\cap$ , set union,  $\cup$ , set subtraction,  $\setminus$ , set cardinality, **card**, etc.!

## 2.4.7.2 Quantifiers

By a further *transcendental deduction* we can place the *quantifiers* among the concepts that are necessary in order to describe domains.

**Definition 20 The Universal Quantifier.** The universal quantifier expresses that all members,  $x$ , of a set,  $s$ , possess a certain *Property*:  $\forall x : S \bullet \mathcal{P}(x)$  ■

**Definition 21 The Existential Quantifier.** The existential quantifier expresses that at least one member,  $x$ , of a set,  $s$ , possesses a certain *Property*:  $\exists x : S \bullet \mathcal{P}(x)$  ■

## 2.4.7.3 Numbers

Numbers can, again by *transcendental deduction*, be introduced, not as observable phenomena, but as a rational, logic consequence of sets.

**Definition 22 Numbers.** Numbers can be motivated, for example, as follows:

- Start with an empty set, say  $\{\}$ . It can be said to represent the number zero.<sup>32</sup>
- Then add the empty set  $\{\}$  to  $\{\}$  and You get  $\{\{\}\}$  said to represent 1.
- Continue with adding  $\{\{\}\}$  to  $\{\{\}\}$  and You get  $\{\{\}, \{\{\}\}\}$ , said to represent 2.
- And so forth – ad infinitum. ■

In this way one<sup>33</sup> can define the natural numbers. We could also do it by just postulating distinct entities which are then added, one by one to an initially empty set [155, π 150 § 8-13].

We can then, still in the realm of philosophy, proceed with the introduction of the arithmetic operations designated by addition,  $+$ , subtraction,  $-$ , multiplication,  $*$ , division,  $\div$ , equality,  $=$ , inequality,  $\neq$ , larger than,  $>$ , larger than or equal,  $\geq$ , smaller than,  $<$ , smaller than or equal,  $\leq$ , etcetera!

From explaining numbers on a purely philosophical basis one can now proceed mathematically into the realm of *number theory* [98].

## 2.4.8 Primary Entities

We now examine the concept of *primary objects*.

The next two definitions, in a sense, “fall outside” the line of the present philosophical inquiry. They will be “corrected” to then “fall inside” our inquiry.

**Definition 23 Object.** By an *object* we, in our context, mean something material that may be perceived by the senses<sup>34</sup>. ■

**Definition 24 Primary Object.** By a *primary object* we<sup>35</sup> mean an object that exists as its own *entity* independent<sup>36</sup> of other objects. ■

<sup>32</sup> Which, in the decimal notation is written as 0.

<sup>33</sup> [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Set-theoretic\\_definition\\_of\\_natural\\_numbers](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Set-theoretic_definition_of_natural_numbers)

<sup>34</sup> [www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/object](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/object)

<sup>35</sup> [help.hcltechsw.com/commerce/8.0.0/tutorials/tutorial/ttf\\_cmdefineprimaryobject.html](http://help.hcltechsw.com/commerce/8.0.0/tutorials/tutorial/ttf_cmdefineprimaryobject.html)

<sup>36</sup> Yes, we know: we have not defined what is meant by ‘as its own’ and ‘independent’!

In the last definition we have used the term *entity*. That term, 'entity', will be used henceforth instead of the term 'object'.

We have deduced the relations *identity, difference, symmetry, asymmetry, transitivity* and *intransitivity* in Sects. 2.4.5–2.4.6. You may ask: *for what purpose?* And our answer is: *to justify the next set of deductions*. First we reason that there is the possibility of there being many entities. We argue that that is possible due to there being the relation of asymmetry. If it holds between two entities then they must necessarily be ascribed different predicates, hence be distinct.

Similarly we can argue that two entities, *B* and *C* which both are asymmetric with respect to entity *A* may stand in a symmetric relation to one another. This opens for the *possibility* that every pair of distinct entities may stand in a pair of mutual relations. First the asymmetry relation that expresses their distinctness. Secondly, the possibility of a symmetry relation which expresses the two entities individually with respect to one-another. *The above forms a transcendental basis for how two or more [primary] entities must necessarily be characterised by predicates.*

### 2.4.9 Space and Time

The asymmetry and symmetry relations between entities cannot be *necessary* characteristics of every possible reality if they cannot also possess an *unavoidable rôle* in our own concrete reality. Next we examine two such *unavoidable rôles*.

#### 2.4.9.1 Space

One pair of such rôles are *distance* and *direction*. *Distance* is a relation that holds between any pair of distinct entities. It is a symmetric relation. *Direction* is an asymmetric relation that also holds between any pair of distinct entities. Hence we conclude that **space** is an unavoidable characteristics of every possible reality. Hence we conclude that entities exist in space. They must "fill" some space, have *extension*, they must *fill* some space, have *surface* and *form*. From this we can define the notions of spatial point, spatial straight line, spatial surface, etcetera. Thus we can philosophically motivate geometry.

#### 2.4.9.2 Time

Primary empirical entities may accrue predicates that it is not logically necessary that they accrue. That is, it is logically possible that primary entities accrue predicates that they do not actually accrue. How is it possible that one and the same primary entity may accrue incommensurable predicates?

That is only possible if one and the same primary entity can exist in **different states**. It may exist in one state in which it accrues a certain predicate. And it may exist in another state in which it accrues a therefrom incommensurable predicate.

What can we say about these states? First that these states accrue different, incommensurable predicates. How can we assure that! Only if the states stand in an asymmetric relation to one another. From this we can conclude that primary entities necessarily may exist in a number of states each of which stand in an asymmetric relation to its predecessor state. So these states also stand in a *transitive* relation.

This is a necessary characteristics of any possible world. So it is also a characteristics of our world. That relation is **time**. It possesses the *before, after, in-between*, and other [temporal] relations. We have thus deduced that every possible world must "occur in time" and that primary entities may exist in, before or after states.

From the above we can derive a whole algebra of temporal types and operations, for example:

- TIME and TIME INTERVAL types;
- addition of TIME and TIME INTERVAL to obtain TIME;
- addition of TIME INTERVALs to obtain TIME INTERVALs;
- subtraction of two TIMES to become TIME INTERVALs; and
- subtraction of two TIME INTERVALs to obtain TIME INTERVAL.

### 2.4.10 The Causality Principle

But what is it that *causes* primary entities to undergo *state changes*? Assertions about how a primary entity is at different times, such assertions must necessarily be logically independent. That follows from primary entities necessarily must accrue incommensurable predicates at different times. It is therefore logically impossible to conclude from how a primary entity is at one time to how it is at another time. How, therefore, can assertions about a primary entity at different times be about the same entity?

We can therefore transcendently deduce that there must be a *special implication-relationship* between assertions about how a primary entity is at different times. Such a *special implication-relationship* must depend on the *empirical circumstances* under which the primary entity exists. That is, we must deduce the conditions under which it is, at all, possible to consistently make statements about primary entities going from one state in which it accrues a specific predicate to another state in which it accrues a therefrom incommensurable predicate. There must be something in the empirical circumstances which implicates the state transition. If the empirical circumstances are *stable* then there is nothing in these circumstances that imply entity changes. If the primary entity changes, then that assumes that there must have been a prior change in the circumstances – with those changes having that consequence. . . .<sup>37</sup> We name such a change of the circumstances a *cause*. And we conclude that every change of a primary entity must have a cause. We also conclude that *equivalent causes* imply *equivalent effects*.

This form of implication is called the *causality principle*. It assumes logical implication. But it cannot be reduced to logical implication. It is logically necessary that every primary entity – and therefore every possible world – is subject to the *causality principle*. In this way Kai Sørlander transcendently deduces the principle of causality. Every change has a cause. The same cause under the same circumstances leads to same effects.

### 2.4.11 Newton's Laws

Sørlander then shows how Newton's laws can be deduced. These laws, in summary, are:

- **Newton's First Law:** An entity at rest or moving at a constant speed in a straight line, will remain at rest or keep moving in a straight line at constant speed unless it is acted upon by a force.
- **Newton's Second Law:** When an entity is acted upon by a force, the time rate of change of its momentum equals the force.
- **Newton's Third Law:** To every action there is always opposed an equal reaction; or, the mutual actions of two bodies upon each other are always equal, and directed to contrary entities.

#### 2.4.11.1 Kinematics

Above we have deduced that primary entities are in both space and time. They have *extent* in both space and time. That means that they may change with respect to their spatial properties:

<sup>37</sup> We skip some of Sørlander's reasoning, [155, Page 162, lines 1–12]

place and form. The change in place is the fundamental. A primary entity which changes place is said to be in *movement*. A primary entity in movement must follow a certain geometric route. It must move a certain length of route in a certain interval of time, i.e., have a *velocity*: speed and direction. A primary entity which changes velocity has an *acceleration*. That is, we have deduced the basics of *kinematics*.

#### 2.4.11.2 Dynamics

When we, to the above, add that primary entities are in time, then they are subject to causality. That means that we are entering the doctrine of the influence of *forces* on primary entities. That is, *dynamics*. Kinematics imply that an entity changes if it goes from being at rest to moving, or if it goes from moving to being at rest. An entity also changes if it goes from moving at one velocity to moving at a different velocity. We introduce the notion of *momentum*. An entity has the same momentum at two times if it has the same velocity and acceleration.

#### 2.4.11.3 Newton's First Law

When we combine kinematics with causality then we can deduce that if an entity changes momentum then there must be a cause in the circumstances which causally implies the change. We call that cause a *force*. The force must be proportional to the change in momentum. This implies that an entity which is not subject to an external force remains in the same momentum. This is **The Law of Inertia, Newton's First Law**.

#### 2.4.11.4 Newton's Second Law

That a certain force is necessary in order to change an entity's momentum must imply that such an entity must provide a certain *resistance* against change of momentum. It must have a *mass*. From this it follows that the change of an entity's momentum not only must be proportional to the applied force but also inversely proportional to that entity's mass. This is **Newton's Second Law**.

#### 2.4.11.5 Newton's Third Law

Where do the forces that influence the momentum of entities come from? It must, it can only, be from primary entities. Primary entities must be the source of the forces that influence other entities. Here we shall argue one such reason. The next section, on universal gravitation, presents a second reason.

Primary entities may be in one another's way. Hence they may eventually collide. If a primary entity has a certain velocity it may collide with another primary entity crossing its way. In the mutual collision the two entities influence one another such that they change momentum. They influence each other with forces. Since neither of the two entities has any special position, i.e., rank, the forces by means of which they affect one another must be equal and oppositely directed. This is **Newton's Third Law**.



### 2.4.12 Universal Gravitation

But<sup>38</sup>, really, how can primary entities be the source of forces that affect one another? We must dig deeper! How can primary entities have mass such that it requires force to change their momentum? Our answer is that the reason they have mass must be due to mutual influence between the primary objects themselves. It must be an influence which is oppositely directed to that which they expose on one another when they collide. Because this, in principle, applies to all primary entities, these must be characterised by a mutual universal attraction. And that is what we call *universal gravitation*. That concept has profound implications.

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We shall not go into details here but just, casually, as it was, mention that such concepts as speed limit, elementary particles and Einstein's theories are "more-or-less" transcendently deduced!

### 2.4.13 Purpose, Life and Evolution

We shall briefly summarise Sørlander's analysis and deductions with respect to the concepts of *living species: plants and animals*, the latter including *humans*.

Up till now Sørlander's analyses and deductions have focused on the physical world, "culminating" in Newton's Laws and Einstein's theories.

If<sup>39</sup> there is to be language and meaning then, as a first condition, there must be the possibility that there are primary entities which are not locked-in "only" in that physical world deduced till now. This is only possible if such primary entities are additionally subject to a *purpose-causality*, one that is so constructed as to *strive to maintain* its own *existence*. We shall refer to this kind of primary entities as *living species*.

#### 2.4.13.1 Living Species

As living species they must be subject to all the physical conditions for existence and mutual influence. Additionally they must have a form which they are *causally determined to reach and maintain*. This development and maintenance must take place in a *substance exchange* with its surroundings. Living species need these substances in order to develop and maintain their form.

It must furthermore be possible to distinguish between two forms of living species: (i) one form which is characterised only by *development, form and substance exchange*; and (ii) another form which, additional to (i), is characterised by *being able to move*. The first form we call *plants*. The second form we call *animals*.

#### 2.4.13.2 Animals

For animals to move they must (i) possess *sense organs*, (ii) *organs of movement* and (iii) *instincts, incentives, or feelings*. All these still subject to the physical laws and to satisfy motion.

This is only possible if animals are **not** built (like the elementary particles of physics) but by special physical units. These cells must satisfy the *purpose-causality* of animals. And we know, now, from the *biological sciences* that something like that is indeed the case. Indeed animals are built from cells all of which possess *genomes* for the whole animal and, for each such cell, a proper fraction of its genome controls whether it is part of a sensory organ, or a nerve, or a motion

<sup>38</sup> This section is from [155, Pages 168–173]

<sup>39</sup> We now treat the material of [155, Chapter 10, Pages 174–179].

organ, or a more specific function. Thus it has transcendently been deduced that such must be the case and biology has confirmed this.

#### 2.4.13.2.1 Humans

We briefly summarise<sup>40</sup>, in six steps, (i–vi), Sørlander's reasoning that leads from animals, in general, see above, to humans, in particular.

(i) First the concept of **level of consciousness** is introduced. On the basis of animals being able to *learn from experience* the concept of *consciousness level* is introduced. It is argued that *neurons* provide part of the basis for *learning* and the *consciousness level*.

(ii) Secondly the concept of **social instincts** is introduced. For animals to interact social instincts are required.

(iii) Thirdly the concept of **sign language** is introduced. In order for animals to interact some such animals, notably the humans, develop a sign language.

(iv) Fourthly the concept of **language** is introduced. The animals that we call *humans* finally develop their sign language into a language that can be spoken, heard and understood. Such a language, regardless of where it is developed, that is, regardless of which language it is, must assume, i.e., build on the same set of basic concepts as had been uncovered so far in our deductions of what must necessarily be in any description of any world.

We continue to summarise<sup>41</sup> Sørlander's reasoning that leads from generalities about humans to humans with knowledge and responsibility.

(v) Fifthly the concept of **knowledge** is introduced. An animal which is *conscious* must *sense* and must react to what it senses. To do so it must have *incentives* as causal conditions for its specific such actions. If the animal has, possesses, language, then it must be able to express that and what it senses and that it acts accordingly, and why it does so. It must be able to express that it can express this. That is, that what it expresses, is true. To express such assertions, with sufficient reasons for why they are true, is equivalent to *knowing* that they are true. Such animals, as possessing the above "skills", become persons, humans.

(vi) Sixthly the concept of **responsibility** is introduced. Humans conscious of their concrete situation, must also know that these situations change. They are conscious of earlier situations. Hence they have *memory*. So that they can formulate *experience* with respect to the *consequences* of their actions. Thus humans are (also) characterised by being able to understand the consequences of future actions. A person who considers how he ought act, can also be ascribed *responsibility* – and can be judged *morally*.

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This ends our exposé of Sørlander's metaphysics with respect to living species. That is, we shall cover neither non-human animals, nor plants.

## 2.5 Philosophy, Science and the Arts

We quote extensively from [153, Kai Sørlander, 1997].

- Page 178: *Philosophy, science and the arts are products of the human mind.*
- Page 179: *Philosophy, science and the arts each have their own goals.*

And:

- **Philosophers** seek to find the inescapable characteristics of any world.

<sup>40</sup> [155, Chapter 11, Pages 180–183]

<sup>41</sup> [155, Chapter 12, Pages 184–187]

- **Scientists** seek to determine how the world actually -- and our situation in that world -- is.
- **Artists** seek to create objects for experience.

We shall elaborate. [153, Page 180] “Simplifying, but not without an element of truth, we can relate the three concepts by the **modalities**:”

- **philosophy** is the **necessary**,
- **science** is the **real**, and
- **art** is the **possible**.

... Here we have, then, a distinction between philosophy and science. ... From [152] we can conclude the following about the results of philosophy and science. These results must be consistent [with one another]. This is a necessary condition for their being *correct*. ... The **real** must be a *concrete realisation* of the **necessary**.

## 2.6 A Word of Caution

The present chapter represents an attempt to give an English interpretation of Kai Sørlander’s Philosophy. We otherwise refer to [157].



## Chapter 3

# Domains

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This chapter is informal. Here we introduce You to important concepts of domains. Subsequent chapters will be more technical. They will define most of the domain concepts of this chapter properly.

### 3.1 Domain Definition

We repeat the definition of the concept of domains as first given on Page v.

**Definition 25 Domain.** By a *domain* we shall understand a *rationaly describable* segment of a *discrete dynamics* fragment of a *human assisted* reality, i.e., of the world. It includes its **endurants**, i.e., *solid and fluid entities* of **parts** and **living species**, and **perdurants**.<sup>■</sup>

*Endurants* are either *natural* [“God-given”] or *artefactual* [“man-made”] and may be considered *atomic* or *compound* parts, or, as in this primer, further unanalysed *living species*: **plants** and **animals** – including *humans*. *Perdurants* are here considered to be *actions*, *events* and *behaviours*.

We exclude from our treatment of domains issues of biological and psychological matters.

**Example 7 Domains.** A few, more-or-less self-explanatory examples:

- **Rivers** – with their natural sources, deltas, tributaries, waterfalls, etc., and their man-made dams, harbours, locks, etc. – and their conveyage of materials (ships etc.) [50];
- **Road nets** – with street segments and intersections, traffic lights and automobiles – and the flow of these;
- **Pipelines** – with their wells, pipes, valves, pumps, forks, joins and wells and the flow of fluids [35]; and
- **Container terminals** – with their container vessels, containers, cranes, trucks, etc. – and the movement of all of these [43].<sup>■</sup>

The definition relies on the understanding of the terms ‘*rationaly describable*’, ‘*discrete dynamics*’, ‘*human assisted*’, ‘*solid*’ and ‘*fluid*’. The last two will be explained later. By **rationaly describable** we mean that what is described can be understood, including reasoned about, in a rational, that is, logical manner – in other words **logically tractable**. By **discrete dynamics** we imply that we shall basically rule out such domain phenomena which have properties that are continuous with respect to their time-wise, i.e., dynamic, behaviour. By **human-assisted** we mean that the domains – that we are interested in modelling – have, as an important property, that they possess man-made entities.

This primer presents a *method*, its *principles*, *procedures*, *techniques* and *tools*, for analysing &<sup>42</sup> *describing* domains.

## 3.2 Phenomena and Entities

**Definition 26 Phenomena.** By a *phenomenon* we shall understand a fact that is observed to exist or happen.<sup>■</sup>

Some phenomena are rationally describable – to a large or full degree – others are not.

**Definition 27 Entities.** By an entity we shall understand a more-or-less rationally describable phenomenon.<sup>■</sup>

**Example 8 Phenomena and Entities.** Some, but not necessarily all aspects of a river can be rationally described, hence can be still be considered entities. Similarly, many aspects of a road net can be rationally described, hence will be considered entities.<sup>■</sup>

## 3.3 Endurants and Perdurants

### 3.3.1 Endurants

<sup>42</sup> We use here the ampersand, ‘&’, as in  $A \& B$ , to emphasize that we are treating  $A$  and  $B$  as one concept.

**Definition 28 Endurants.** Endurants are those quantities of domains that we can observe (see and touch), in *space*, as “complete” entities at no matter which point in *time* – “material” entities that persist, endure. ■

**Example 9 Endurants.** Examples of endurants are: a street segment [link], a street intersection [hub], an automobile. ■

Domain endurants, when eventually modelled in software, typically become data. Hence the careful analysis of domain endurants is a prerequisite for subsequent careful conception and analyses of data structures for software, including data bases.

### 3.3.2 Perdurants

**Definition 29 Perdurants.** Perdurants are those quantities of domains for which only a fragment exists, in *space*, if we look at or touch them at any given snapshot in *time*. ■

**Example 10 Perdurant.** A moving automobile is an example of a perdurant. ■

Domain perdurants, when eventually modelled in software, typically become processes. Hence the careful analysis of domain perdurants is a prerequisite for subsequent careful conception and analyses of functions (procedures).

## 3.4 External and Internal Endurant Qualities

### 3.4.1 External Qualities

**Definition 30 External Qualities.** External qualities of endurants of a manifest domain are, in a simplifying sense, those we can see, touch and have spatial extent. They, so to speak, take form.

**Example 11 External Qualities.** An example of external qualities of a domain is: the Cartesian<sup>43</sup> of sets of solid atomic street intersections, and of sets of solid atomic street segments, and of sets of solid automobiles of a road transport system where the Cartesian, sets, atomic, and solid reflect external qualities. ■

#### 3.4.1.1 Discrete or Solid Endurants

**Definition 31 Discrete or Solid Endurants.** By a *solid* [or *discrete*] endurant we shall understand an endurant which is separate, individual or distinct in form or concept, or, rephrasing: have ‘body’ [or magnitude] of three-dimensions: length, breadth and depth [123, Vol. II, pg. 2046]. ■

**Example 12 Solid Endurants.** Examples of solid endurants are the wells, pipes, valves, pumps, forks, joins and sinks of pipelines. [These units may, however, and usually will, contain fluids, e.g., oil, gas or water]. ■

<sup>43</sup> Cartesian after the French philosopher, mathematician, scientist René Descartes (1596–1650)

We shall mostly be analysing and describing solid endurants.

As we shall see, in the next chapter, we analyse and describe solid endurants as either parts or living species: animals and humans. We shall mostly be concerned with parts. That is, we shall just, as: “in passing”, for the sake of completeness, mention living species!

### 3.4.1.2 Fluids

**Definition 32 Fluid Endurants.** By a *fluid endurant* we shall understand an endurant which is prolonged, without interruption, in an unbroken series or pattern; or, rephrasing: a substance (liquid, gas or plasma) having the property of flowing, consisting of particles that move among themselves [123, Vol. I, pg. 774] ■

**Example 13 Fluid Endurants.** Examples of fluid endurants are: water, oil, gas, compressed air, smoke ■

Fluids are otherwise liquid, or gaseous, or plasmatic, or granular<sup>44</sup>, or plant products, i.e., chopped sugar cane, threshed, or otherwise<sup>45</sup>, et cetera. Fluid endurants will be analysed and described in relation to solid endurants, viz. their “containers”.

### 3.4.1.3 Parts

**Definition 33 Parts.** The non-living species solids are what we shall call parts ■

Parts are the “work-horses” of man-made domains. That is, we shall mostly be concerned with the analysis and description of endurants into parts.

**Example 14 Parts.** The previous example of solids was also an example of parts ■

We distinguish between atomic and compound parts.

#### 3.4.1.3.1 Atomic Parts

**Definition 34 Atomic Part, I.** By an *atomic part* we shall understand a part which the domain analyser considers to be indivisible in the sense of not meaningfully divisible, for the purposes of the domain under consideration, that is, to not meaningfully consist of sub-parts ■

**Example 15 Atomic Parts.** Examples of atomic parts are: a hub, i.e., a street intersection; a link, i.e., the stretch of road between two neighbouring hubs; and an automobile ■

#### 3.4.1.3.2 Compound Parts

We, pragmatically, distinguish between Cartesian-product-, and set- oriented parts. If Cartesian-oriented, to consist of two or more distinctly sort-named endurants (solids or fluids). If set-oriented, to consist of an indefinite number of zero, one or more parts.

**Definition 35 Compound Part, I.** *Compound parts* are those which are either Cartesian- or are set- oriented parts ■

<sup>44</sup> This is a purely pragmatic decision. “Of course” sand, gravel, soil, etc., are not fluids, but for our modelling purposes it is convenient to “compartmentalise” them as fluids!

<sup>45</sup> See footnote 44.



**Example 16 Compound Parts.** An example of compound parts is: (i) a road net consisting of a set of hubs, i.e., street intersections or “end-of-streets”, and (ii) a set of links, i.e., street segments (with no contained hubs), is a Cartesian compound. (iii) Each set of hubs and each set of links are part set compounds. ■

### 3.4.2 An Aside: An Upper Ontology

We have been reasonably careful to just introduce and state informal definitions of phenomena and some classes thereof. In the next chapter we shall, in a sense, “repeat” coverage of these phenomena. But then in a more analytic manner. Figure 3.1 is intended to indicate this.

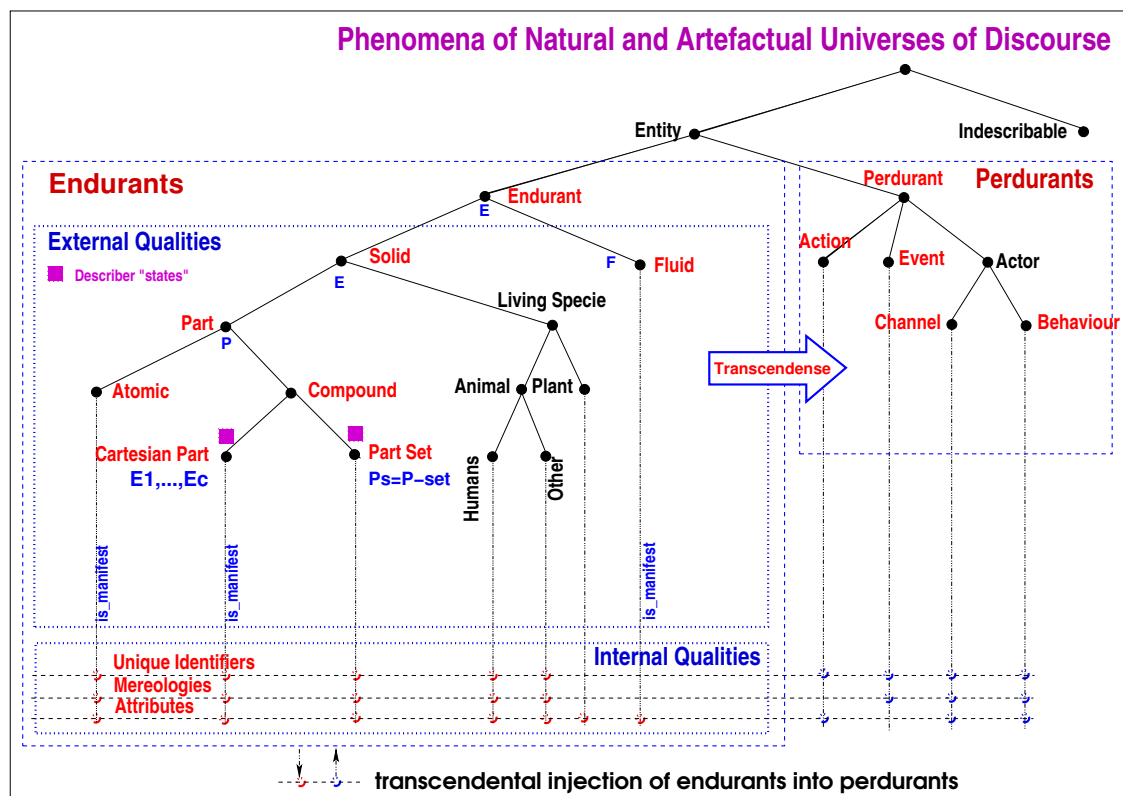


Fig. 3.1 An Upper Ontology

So far we have only touched upon the ‘External Qualities’ labeled, dotted-dashed box of the ‘Endurants’-labeled dashed box of Fig. 3.1. In Chapter 4 we shall treat external qualities in more depth — more systematically: analytically and descriptively.

### 3.4.3 Internal Qualities

**Definition 36 Internal Qualities.** Internal qualities are those properties [of endurants] that do not occupy *space* but can be measured or spoken about.

**Example 17 Internal qualities.** Examples of internal qualities are the unique identity of a part, the relation of a part to other parts, and the endurant attributes such as temperature, length, colour.

### 3.4.3.1 Unique identity

**Definition 37 Unique Identity.** A unique identity is an immaterial property that distinguishes any two *spatially* distinct solids.

**Example 18 Unique Identities.** Each hub in a road net is uniquely identified, so is each link and each automobile.

### 3.4.3.2 Mereology

**Definition 38 Mereology, I.** Mereology is a theory of [endurant] part-hood relations: of the relations of an [endurant] part to a whole and the relations of [endurant] parts to [endurant] parts within that whole.

**Example 19 Mereology.** Examples of mereologies are that a link is topologically *connected* to exactly two specific hubs, that a hub is *connected* to zero, one or more specific links, and that links and hubs are *open* to specific subsets of automobiles.

### 3.4.3.3 Attribute

**Definition 39 Attributes.** Attributes are properties of endurants that are not *spatially* observable, but can be either physically (electronically, chemically, or otherwise) measured or can be objectively spoken about.

**Example 20 Attributes.** Examples of attributes are: links have lengths, and, that at any one time, zero, one or more automobiles are occupying each link<sup>46</sup>.

## 3.5 Prompts

### 3.5.1 Analysis Prompts

**Definition 40 Analysis Prompt.** An analysis prompt is a predicate or a function that may be posed by humans to segments of a domain. Observing the domain the analyser may then act upon the combination of the particular prompt (whether a predicate or a function, and then what particular one of these it is) thus “applying” it to a domain phenomenon, and yielding, in the minds of the humans, either a truth value or some other form of value.

<sup>46</sup> Oh yes, it is, of course, spatially observable that a link has a length, but the measurement, say *123 meters* is not; and the number of cars on the link is also not spatially observable.

### 3.5.1.1 Analysis Predicate

**Definition 41 Analysis predicates.** An analysis predicate is an analysis prompt which yields a truth value.

**Example 21 Analysis Predicates.** General examples of analysis predicates are: “*can an observable phenomenon be rationally described*”, i.e., an entity, “*is an entity a solid or a fluid*”, “*is a solid enduring a part or a living species*”.

### 3.5.1.2 Analysis Function

**Definition 42 Analysis function.** An analysis function is an analysis prompt which yields some RSL-Text.

**Example 22 Analysis Functions.** Two examples of analysis functions are: one yields the endurants of a Cartesian part and their respective sort names, another yields the set of parts of a part set and their common type.

## 3.5.2 Description Prompt

**Definition 43 Description Prompt.** A description prompt is a function that may be posed by humans who may then act upon it: [the human] “applying” it to a domain phenomenon, and [the human] “yielding”, i.e., writing down, a narrative and formal RSL-Texts describing what is being observed [by that human].

**Example 23 Description Prompts.** Description prompts result in RSL-Texts describing for example a (i) a Cartesian endurant, or (ii) its unique identifier, or (iii) its mereology, or (iv) its attributes, or (v) other.

## 3.6 Perdurant Concepts

### 3.6.1 “Morphing” Parts into Behaviours

As already indicated we shall transcendently deduce (perdurant) behaviours from those (endurant) parts which we, as domain analysers cum describers, have endowed with all three kinds of internal qualities: unique identifiers, mereologies and attributes. Chapter 6, will show how.

### 3.6.2 State

**Definition 44 State, I.** A state is any set of the parts of a domain.

**Example 24 A Road System State.** The domain analyser cum describer may, decide that a road system state consists of the road net aggregate (of hubs and links)<sup>47</sup>, all the hubs, and all the links, and the automobile aggregate (of all the automobiles)<sup>48</sup>, and all the individual automobiles ■

### 3.6.3 Actors

**Definition 45 Actors.** An actor is anything that can initiate an action, an event or a behaviour ■

#### 3.6.3.1 Action

**Definition 46 Actions.** An action is a function that can purposefully change a state ■

**Example 25 Road Net Actions.** These are some road net actions: The insertion of a new or removal of an existing hub; or the insertion of a new, or removal of an existing link;

#### 3.6.3.2 Event

**Definition 47 Events.** An event is a function that surreptitiously changes a state ■

**Example 26 Road Net Events.** These are some road net events: The blocking of a link due to a mud slide; the failing of a hub traffic signal due to power outage; the blocking of a link due to an automobile accident.

#### 3.6.3.3 Behaviour

**Definition 48 Behaviours.** A behaviour is a set of sequences of actions, events and behaviours ■

**Example 27 Road Net Traffic.** Road net traffic can be seen as a behaviour (i) of all the behaviours of automobiles, where each automobile behaviour is seen as sequence of start, stop, turn right, turn left, etc., actions; (ii) of all the behaviours of links where each link behaviour is seen as a set of sequences (i.e., behaviours) of “following” the link entering, link leaving, and movement of automobiles on the link; (iii) of all the behaviours of hubs (etc.); (iv) of the behaviour of the aggregate of roads, viz. *The Department of Roads*, and (v) of the behaviour of the aggregate of automobiles, viz. *The Department of Vehicles*.

### 3.6.4 Channel

**Definition 49 Channel.** A channel is anything that allows synchronisation and communication of values between two behaviours ■

<sup>47</sup> The road net aggregate, in its perdurant form, may “model” the *Department of Roads* of some country, province, or town.

<sup>48</sup> The automobile aggregate, in its perdurant form, may “model” the *Department of Vehicles* of some country, province, or town.

We shall use Tony Hoare’s CSP concept [106] to express synchronisation and communication of values between behaviours  $i$  and  $j$ . Hence the behaviour  $i$  statement  $ch[j] ! value$  states that behaviour  $i$  offers, “outputs”:  $!$ ,  $value$  to the behaviour indicated by  $j$ . And behaviour  $j$  expresses  $ch[i] ?$  that it is willing to accept “input from & synchronise with” behaviour  $i$ ,  $?$ , any  $value$ .

## 3.7 Domain Analysis & Description

### 3.7.1 Domain Analysis

**Definition 50 Domain Analysis.** Domain analysis is the act of studying a domain as well as the result of that study in the form of **informal** statements.

### 3.7.2 Domain Description

**Definition 51 Domain Description.** Domain description is the act of describing a domain as well as the result of that act in the form of **narratives** and **formal RSL-Text**.

## 3.8 Closing

This chapter has introduced the main concepts of domains such as we shall treat (analyse and describe) domains.<sup>49</sup> The next three chapters shall now systematically treat the analysis and description of domains. That treatment takes concept by concept and provides proper definitions and introduces appropriate analysis and description prompts; one-by-one, in an almost pedantic, hence perhaps “slow” progression! The reader may be excused if they, now-and-then, lose sight of “their way”. Hence the present chapter. To show “the way”: that, for example, when we treat external endurant qualities, there are still the internal endurant qualities, and that the whole thing leads of to perdurants: actors, actions, events and behaviours.

<sup>49</sup> We have omitted treatment of *living species: plants and animals* – the latter including *humans*. They will be treated in the next chapter!



## Chapter 4

# Endurants: External Domain Qualities

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This, the present chapter, as well as Chapter 3, is based on Chapter 4 of [48]. You may wish to study that chapter for more detail.

In this and the next chapter we shall analyse and describe *endurants*, that is, the *entities* that can be observed, or conceived and described, as a “complete thing” at no matter which given snapshot of time; alternatively an entity is *endurant* if it is capable of *enduring*, that is *persists*, “holds out” [123, Vol. I, pg. 656].

This modelling will focus on the **types** and **observers** of these endurants.

On one hand there are the domain phenomena of endurants. On the other hand there are means for analysing and describing these. The former are not formalised “before”, or as, we analyse and describe them. The latter, ‘the means’, are assumed formalised.

**Definition 52 Description, I.** By a **description** of the external domain qualities we shall mean a pair of informal, narrative, and formal text which characterises the compound parts of domains: their sorts, i.e., types, and the observers, i.e., informal, functions, that “dissects” the compound parts into endurants, usually sub-parts. ■

This chapter explains what is meant by *external qualities*, *endurants* and their *compound parts*.

Primary Modelling Tool, I

The tool with which we describe endurants will be the **type** and **function** concepts of, in this case, the formal specification language RSL [90].<sup>50</sup>

## 4.1 Universe of Discourse

The first analysis and description of a chosen domain is that of its universe of discourse.

**Definition 53 Universe of Discourse, UoD.** By a **universe of discourse** we shall understand the same as the **domain of interest**, that is, the *domain to be analysed & described*. ■

### 4.1.1 Identification

The **first task** of a domain analyser cum describer<sup>51</sup> is to settle upon the domain to be analysed and described. That domain has first to be given a *name*.

### 4.1.2 Naming

A **first decision** is to give a name to the overall domain sort, that is, the type of the domain seen as an endurant, with that sort, or type, name being freely chosen by the domain modeller – with no such sort names having been chosen so far!

### 4.1.3 Examples

**Examples of UoDs:** We refer to a number of Internet accessible experimental reports [49] of descriptions of the following domains:

- **railways** [14, 16, 57],
- **“The Market”** [15],
- **container shipping** [21],
- **Web systems** [31],
- **stock exchange** [32],
- **oil pipelines** [35],

<sup>50</sup> We could have chosen another formal specification language: VDM [59, 60, 85], Z [166], or Alloy [112], or other.

<sup>51</sup> Henceforth referred to as the domain modeller.



- **credit card systems** [38],
- **weather information** [39],
- **swarms of drones** [40],
- **document systems** [42],
- **container terminals** [43],
- **retail systems** [46],
- **assembly plants** [44],
- **waterway systems** [50],
- **shipping** [51],
- **urban planning** [64].

#### 4.1.4 Sketching

The **second task** of a domain modeller is to develop a *rough sketch narrative* of the domain. The rough-sketching of a domain is not a trivial matter. It is not done by a committee! It usually requires repeated “trial sketches”. To carry it out, i.e., the sketching, normally requires a combination of physical visits to domain examples, if possible; talking with domain professionals, at all levels; and reading relevant literature. It also includes searching the Internet for information. We shall show an example next.

**Example 28 Sketch of a Road Transport System UoD.** The road transport system that we have in mind consists of a road net and a set of automobiles (private, trucks, buses, etc.) such that the road net serves to convey automobiles. We consider the road net to consist of hubs, i.e., street intersections, and links, i.e., street segments between adjacent hubs<sup>52</sup>.

#### 4.1.5 Universe of Discourse Description

The general universe of discourse, i.e., domain, description prompt can be expressed as follows:

Domain Description Prompt 1 **describe.Universe.of.Discourse:**

**0. describe.Universe.of.Discourse describer**

“**Naming:**

type UoD

**Rough Sketch:**

Text ”

The above “RSL-Text” expresses that the `describe.Universe.of.Discourse()` domain describer generates RSL-Text. Here is another example rough sketch:

**Example 29 A Rough Sketch Domain Description.** The example is that of the production of rum, say of a **Rum Production** domain. From

- the sowing, watering, and tending to of sugar cane plants;
- via the “burning” of these prior to harvest;
- the harvest;
- the collection of harvest from sugar cane fields to
- the chopping, crushing, (and sometimes repeated) boiling, cooling and centrifuging of sugar cane when making sugar and molasses (into A, B, and low grade batches);

<sup>52</sup> This “rough” narrative fails to narrate what hubs, links, vehicles, automobiles are. In presenting it here we rely on your a priori understanding of these terms. But that is dangerous! The danger, if we do not painstakingly narrate and formalise what we mean by all these terms, then readers (software designers, etc.) may make erroneous assumptions.

- the fermentation, with water and yeast, producing a ‘wash’;
- the (pot still or column still) distilling of the wash into rum;
- the aging of rum in oak barrels;
- the charcoal filtration of rum;
- the blending of rum;
- the bottling of rum;
- the preparation of cases of rum for sales/export; and
- the transportation away from the rum distiller of the rum. ■

**Some Comments on Example 29:** Each of the itemized items above is phrased in terms of perdurants. Behind each such perdurant lies some endurant. That is, in English, “every noun can be verbed”, and vice-versa. So we anticipate the transcendence, from endurants to perdurants.

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**Method Principle 1** *From the “Overall” to The Details:* Our first principle, as the first task in any new domain modelling project, is to “focus” on the “overall”, that is, on the “entire”, generic domain. ■

## 4.2 Entities

A core concept of domain modelling is that of an *entity*.

**Definition 54 Entity.** By an *entity* we shall understand a *phenomenon*, i.e., something that can be *observed*, i.e., be seen or touched by humans, or that can be *conceived* as an *abstraction* of an entity; alternatively, a phenomenon is an entity, *if it exists, it is “being”, it is that which makes a “thing” what it is: essence, essential nature* [123, Vol. I, pg. 665]. If a phenomenon cannot be so **observed and described** then it is not an entity. ■

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 1** *is\_entity*: The domain analyser analyses “things” ( $\theta$ ) into either entities or non-entities. The method provides the **domain analysis prompt**:

- *is\_entity* – where  $\text{is\_entity}(\theta)$  holds if  $\theta$  is an entity. ■<sup>53</sup>

*is\_entity* is said to be a *prerequisite prompt* for all other prompts. *is\_entity* is a method **tool**.

On Analysis Prompts

The *is\_entity* predicate function represents the first of a number of analysis prompts. They are “applied” by the domain analyser to phenomena of domains. They yield truth values, true or false, “left” in the mind of the domain analyser. ■

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We have just shown how the *is\_entity* predicate prompt can be applied to a universe of discourse. From now on we shall see prompts being applicable to increasingly more analysed entities. Figure 4.1 on the next page diagrams a **domain description ontology** of entities. That ontology indicates the sub-classes of endurants for which we shall motivate and for which we shall introduce prompts, predicates and functions.

The present chapter shall focus only on the external qualities, that is, on the “contents” of the leftmost dash-dotted box.

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<sup>53</sup> ■ marks the end of an analysis prompt definition.

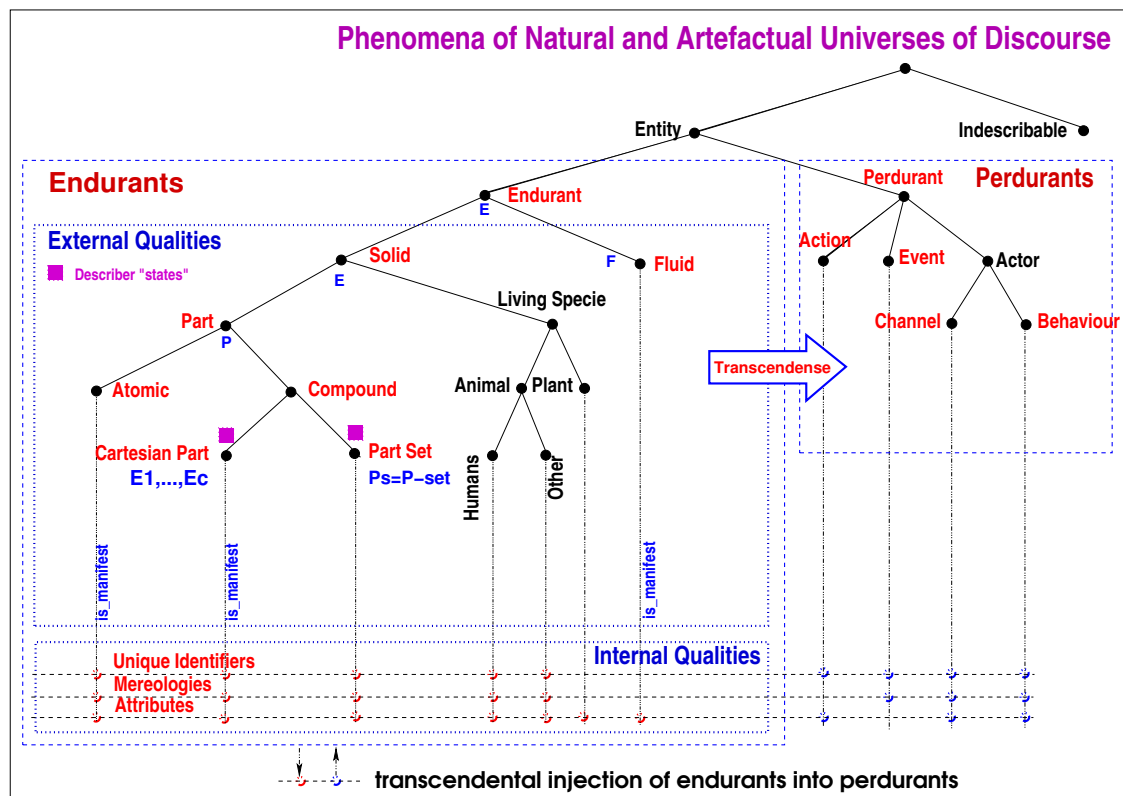


Fig. 4.1 The Upper Ontology – same as Fig. 3.1 on page 29

**Method Principle 2 *Justifying Analysis along Philosophical Lines*:** The concept of *entities* as a main focal point is justified in Kai Sørlander’s philosophy [152–156, 1994–2022]. Entities are there referred to as *primary objects*. They are the ones about which we express predicates. ■

### 4.3 Endurants and Perdurants

**Method Principle 3 *Separation of Endurants and Perdurants*:** As we shall see in this **primer**, the domain analysis & description method calls for the separation of first considering the careful analysis & description of endurants, then considering perdurants. This principle is based on the transcendental deduction of the latter from the former. ■

#### 4.3.1 Endurants

**Definition 55 *Endurant*.** By an *endurant*, to repeat, we shall understand an entity that can be observed, or conceived and described, as a “complete thing” at no matter which given snapshot of time; alternatively an entity is an *endurant* if it is capable of *enduring*, that is, *persists*, “holds out” [123, Vol. I, pg. 656]. Were we to “freeze” time we would still be able to observe the entire endurant. ■

**Example 30 *Natural and Artefactual Endurants*.**

**Geography Endurants:** fields, meadows, lakes, rivers, forests, hills, mountains, et cetera.

**Railway Track Endurants:** a railway track, its net, its individual tracks, switch points, trains, their individual locomotives, signals, et cetera.

**Road Transport System Endurants:** the transport system, its road net aggregate and the aggregate of automobiles, the set of links (road segments) and hubs (road intersections) of the road net aggregate, these links and hubs, and the automobiles.

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 2** `is_endurant`: The domain analyser analyses an entity,  $\phi$ , into an endurant as prompted by the **domain analysis prompt**:

- `is_endurant` –  $\phi$  is an endurant if `is_endurant( $\phi$ )` holds. ■

`is_entity` is a *prerequisite prompt* for `is_endurant`. `is_endurant` is a method **tool**.

### 4.3.2 Perdurants

**Definition 56 Perdurant.** By a *perdurant* we shall understand an entity for which only a fragment exists if we look at or touch them at any given snapshot in time. Were we to freeze time we would only see or touch a fragment of the perdurant [123, Vol. II, pg. 1552] ■

**Example 31 Perdurants. Geography Perdurants:** the continuous changing of the weather (meteorology); the erosion of coastlines; the rising of some land area and the “sinking” of other land area; volcanic eruptions; earthquakes; et cetera. **Railway System Perdurants:** the ride of a train from one railway station to another; and the stop of a train at a railway station from some arrival time to some departure time ■

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 3** `is_perdurant`: The domain analyser analyses an entity  $e$  into a perdurant as prompted by the **domain analysis prompt**:

- `is_perdurant` –  $e$  is a perdurant if `is_perdurant( $e$ )` holds.

`is_entity` is a *prerequisite prompt* for `is_perdurant` ■

`is_perdurant` is a method **tool**.

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We repeat method principle 3 on the previous page:

**Method Principle 4 Separation of Endurants and Perdurants:** First domain analyse & describe endurants; then domain analyse & describe perdurants. ■

## 4.4 Solids and Fluids

For *pragmatic* reasons we distinguish between solids and fluids.

**Method Principle 5 Abstraction, I:** The principle of abstraction is now brought into “full play”: In analysing & describing entities the domain modeller is “free” to not consider all facets of entities, that is, to abstract. We refer to our characterisation of abstraction in Sect. 1.4 on page 3.

### 4.4.1 Solids

**Definition 57 Solid Endurant.** By a *solid enduring* we shall understand an enduring which is separate, individual or distinct in form or concept, or, rephrasing: a body or magnitude of three-dimensions, having length, breadth and thickness [123, Vol. II, pg. 2046] ■

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 4 `is_solid`:** The domain analyser analyses endurants,  $e$ , into solid entities as prompted by the **domain analysis prompt**:

- `is_solid` –  $e$  is solid if `is_solid( $e$ )` holds ■

To simplify matters we shall allow separate elements of a solid enduring to be fluid! That is, a solid enduring, i.e., a part, may be conjoined with a fluid enduring, a fluid. `is_solid` is a method tool.

**Example 32 Artefactual Solid Endurants.** The individual endurants of the above example of **railway system** endurants, Example 30 on the preceding page, were all solid. Here are examples of solid endurants of **pipeline systems**. A pipeline and its individual units: wells, pipes, valves, pumps, forks, joins, regulator, and sinks ■

### 4.4.2 Fluids

**Definition 58 Fluid Endurant.** By a *fluid enduring* we shall understand an enduring which is prolonged, without interruption, in an unbroken series or pattern; or, rephrasing: a substance (liquid, gas or plasma) having the property of flowing, consisting of particles that move among themselves [123, Vol. I, pg. 774] ■

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 5 `is_fluid`:** The domain analyser analyses endurants  $e$  into fluid entities as prompted by the **domain analysis prompt**:

- `is_fluid` –  $e$  is fluid if `is_fluid( $e$ )` holds ■

`is_fluid` is a method tool. Fluids are otherwise liquid, or gaseous, or plasmatic, or granular<sup>54</sup>, or plant products<sup>55</sup>, et cetera.

**Example 33 Fluids.** Specific examples of fluids are: water, oil, gas, compressed air, etc. A container, which we consider a solid enduring, may be *conjoined* with another, a fluid, like a gas pipeline unit may “contain” gas ■

## 4.5 Parts and Living Species

We analyse endurants into either of two kinds: *parts* and *living species*. The distinction between *parts* and *living species* is motivated in Kai Sørlander’s Philosophy [152–156].

<sup>54</sup> This is a purely pragmatic decision. “Of course” sand, gravel, soil, etc., are not fluids, but for our modelling purposes it is convenient to “compartmentalise” them as fluids!

<sup>55</sup> i.e., chopped sugar cane, threshed, or otherwise. See footnote 54.

### 4.5.1 Parts

**Definition 59 Part.** By a *part* we shall understand a solid endurant existing in time and subject to laws of physics, including the *causality principle* and *gravitational pull*<sup>56</sup> ■

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 6 *is\_part*:** The domain analyser analyses “things” (e) into part. The method can thus be said to provide the *domain analysis prompt*:

- *is\_part* – where *is\_part(e)* holds if e is a part ■

*is\_part* is a method **tool**. *Parts* are either *natural* parts, or are *artefactual* parts, i.e. man-made. Natural and man-made parts are either *atomic* or *compound*.

#### 4.5.1.1 Atomic Parts

The term ‘atomic’ is, perhaps, misleading. It is not used in order to refer to nuclear physics. It is, however, chosen in relation to the notion of *atomism*: *a doctrine that the physical or physical and mental universe is composed of simple indivisible minute particles* [Merriam Webster].

**Definition 60 Atomic Part.** By an *atomic part* we shall understand a part which the domain analyser considers to be indivisible in the sense of not meaningfully divisible, for the purposes of the domain under consideration, that is, to not meaningfully consist of sub-parts ■

**Example 34 Some Atomic Parts.** We refer to Example 32 on the previous page: pipeline systems. The wells, pumps, valves, pipes, forks, joins and sinks can be considered atomic ■

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 7 *is\_atomic*:** The domain analyser analyses “things” (e) into atomic parts. The method can thus be said to provide the *domain analysis prompt*:

- *is\_atomic* – where *is\_atomic(e)* holds if e is an atomic part ■

*is\_atomic* is a method **tool**.

#### 4.5.1.2 Compound Parts

We, pragmatically, distinguish between Cartesian-product-, and set- oriented parts. That is, if Cartesian-product-oriented, to consist of two or more distinctly sort-named endurants (solids or fluids), or, if set-oriented, to consist of an indefinite number of zero, one or more identically sort-named parts.

**Definition 61 Compound Part.** *Compound parts* are those which either are Cartesian-product- or are set- oriented parts ■

<sup>56</sup> This characterisation is the result of our study of relations between philosophy and computing science, notably influenced by Kai Sørlander’s *Philosophy* [152–156]

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 8 `is_compound`:** The domain analyser analyses “things” ( $e$ ) into compound parts. The method can thus be said to provide the *domain analysis prompt*:

- `is_compound` – where `is_compound( $e$ )` holds if  $e$  is a compound part ■

`is_compound` is a method **tool**.

#### 4.5.1.2.1 Cartesian Parts

**Definition 62 Cartesian Part.** A *Cartesian part* is a compound part which consists of an “indefinite number” of two or more parts of distinctly named sorts ■

Some clarification may be needed. (i) In mathematics, as in RSL [90], a value is a Cartesian value if it can be expressed, for example as  $(a, b, \dots, c)$ , where  $a, b, \dots, c$  are mathematical (or, which is the same, RSL) values. Let the sort names of these be  $A, B, \dots, C$  – with these being required to be distinct. We wrote “indefinite number”: the meaning being that the number is fixed, finite, but not specific. (ii) The requirement: ‘distinctly named’ is pragmatic. If the domain modeller thinks that two or more of the components of a Cartesian part are [really] of the same sort, then that person is most likely confused and must come up with suitably distinct sort names for these “same sort” parts! (iii) Why did we not write “definite number”? Well, at the time of first analysing a Cartesian part, the domain modeller may not have thought of all the consequences, i.e., analysed, the compound part. Additional sub-parts, of the Cartesian compound, may be “discovered”, subsequently and can then, with the approach we are taking with respect to the modelling of these, be “freely” added subsequently!

**Example 35 Cartesian Automobiles.** We refer to Example 30 on page 40, the transport system sub-example. We there viewed (hubs, links and) automobiles as atomic parts. From another point of view we shall here understand automobiles as Cartesian parts: the engine train, the chassis, the car body, four doors (left front, left rear, right front, right rear), and the wheels. These may again be considered Cartesian parts.

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 9 `is_Cartesian`:** The domain analyser analyses “things” ( $e$ ) into Cartesian parts. The method can thus be said to provide the *domain analysis prompt*:

- `is_Cartesian` – where `is_Cartesian( $e$ )` holds if  $e$  is a Cartesian part ■

`is_Cartesian` is a method **tool**.

#### 4.5.1.2.1.1 Determine Cartesian Part Sorts

The above analysis amounts to the analyser first “applying” the *domain analysis prompt* `is_compound( $e$ )` to a solid endurant,  $e$ , where we now assume that the obtained truth value is **true**. Let us assume that endurant  $e:E$  consists of sub-endurants of sorts  $\{E_1, E_2, \dots, E_m\}$ . Since we cannot automatically guarantee that our domain descriptions secure that  $E$  and all these  $E_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m$ ) denotes disjoint sets of entities we *must prove so*!

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### On Determination Functions

Determination functions apply to compound parts and yield their sub-parts and the sorts of these. *That is, we observe the domain and our observation results in a focus on a subset of that domain and sort information about that subset.*

### An RSL Extension

The `determine_...` functions below are expressed as follows:

**value** `determine_... (e)` as (parts,sorts)

where we focus here on the **sorts** clause. Typically that clause is of the form  $\eta A, \eta B, \dots, \eta C$ .<sup>57</sup> That is, a “pattern” of sort names:  $A, B, \dots, C$ . These sort names are provided by the domain modeller. They are chosen as “full names”, or as mnemonics, to capture an essence of the (to be) described sort. Repeated invocations, by the domain modeller, of these `(...,sorts)` analysis functions normally lead to new sort names distinct from previously chosen such names.

**Observer Function Prompt 1** `determine_Cartesian_part_sorts`: The domain analyser analyses a part into a Cartesian part. The method thus provides the **domain observer prompt**:

- `determine_Cartesian_part_sorts` — it directs the domain analyser to determine the definite number of values and corresponding distinct sorts of the part.

**value**

`determine_Cartesian_part_sorts`:  $E \rightarrow (E_1 \times E_2 \times \dots \times E_n) \times (\eta E_1 \times \eta E_2 \times \dots \times \eta E_n)$ <sup>58</sup>  
`determine_Cartesian_part_sorts(e)` as  $((e_1, \dots, e_n), (\eta E_1, \dots, \eta E_n))$

where by  $E$ ,  $E_i$  we mean endurants, i.e., part values, and by  $\eta E_i$  we mean the names of the corresponding types ■

`determine_Cartesian_part_sorts` is a method **tool**.

### On Calculate Prompts

Calculation prompts apply to compound parts: Cartesians and sets, and yield an RSL-Text description.

#### 4.5.1.2.1.2 Describe Cartesian Part Sorts

**Domain Description Prompt 2** `describe_Cartesian_part_sorts`: If `is_Cartesian(e)` holds, then the analyser “applies” the **domain description prompt**

- `describe_Cartesian_part_sorts(e)`

<sup>57</sup>  $\eta A, \eta B, \dots, \eta C$  are **names** of types.  $\eta \theta$  is the type of all type names !

<sup>58</sup> The ordering,  $((e_1, \dots, e_n), (\eta E_1, \dots, \eta E_n))$ , is pairwise arbitrary.



resulting in the analyser writing down the *endurant sorts and enduring sort observers* domain description text according to the following schema:

#### 0. describe\_Cartesian\_part\_sorts(e):

let ( $\_$ <sup>59</sup>, ( $\eta E_1, \dots, \eta E_m$ )) = determine\_Cartesian\_parts(e)<sup>60</sup> in

##### “Narration:

[s] ... narrative text on sorts ...  
 [o] ... narrative text on sort observers ...  
 [p] ... narrative text on proof obligations ...

##### Formalisation:

**type**  
 [s]  $E_1, \text{“...”}, E_m$   
**value**  
 [o]  $\text{obs\_}E_1: E \rightarrow E_1, \text{“...”}, \text{obs\_}E_m: E \rightarrow E_m$   
**proof obligation**  
 [p] [ Disjointness of enduring sorts ]  
**end**

describe\_Cartesian\_part\_sorts is a method **tool**.

**Elaboration 1 Type, Values and Type Names:** Note the use of quotes above. Please observe that when we write  $\text{obs\_}E$  then  $\text{obs\_}E$  is the name of a function. The  $E$  when juxtaposed to  $\text{obs\_}$  is now a name ■

#### Example 36 A Road Transport System Domain: Cartesians.<sup>61</sup>

10 There is the *universe of discourse*, RTS.

11 a *road net*, RN, and

It is composed from

12 an *aggregate of automobiles*, AA.

##### type

10 RTS  
 11 RN  
 12 AA

##### value

11  $\text{obs\_RN}: \text{RTS} \rightarrow \text{RN}$   
 12  $\text{obs\_AA}: \text{RTS} \rightarrow \text{AA}$  ■

13 The road net consists of

a an aggregate, AH, of hubs and

b an aggregate, AL, of links.

##### type

13a AH  
 13b AL

##### value

13a  $\text{obs\_AH}: \text{RN} \rightarrow \text{AH}$   
 13b  $\text{obs\_AL}: \text{RN} \rightarrow \text{AL}$  ■

<sup>59</sup> The use of the underscore,  $\_$ , shall inform the reader that there is no need, here, for naming a value.

<sup>60</sup> For determine\_Cartesian\_part\_sorts see Sect. 4.5.1.2.1.2 on the preceding page

<sup>61</sup> In example 36' the **Narration** is not representative of what it should be. Here is a more reasonable narration:

- A road net is a set of hubs (road intersections) and links such that links are connected to adjacent hubs, and such that connected links and hubs form *roads* and where a road is a thoroughfare, route, or way on land between two places that has been paved or otherwise improved to allow travel by foot or some form of conveyance, including a motor vehicle, cart, bicycle, or horse [Wikipedia]

We bring this clarification here, once, and allow ourselves, with the reader's permission, to narrate only very steno-graphically.

#### 4.5.1.2.2 Part Sets

**Definition 63 Part Sets.** *Part sets* are those parts which, in a given context, are deemed to *meaningfully* consist of separately observable a [“root”] part and an indefinite number of proper [“sibling”] *sub-parts*. ■

**Definition 64 Part Set Sort.** *Part set sorts* are those which, in a given context, are deemed to *meaningfully* consist of separately observable a [“root”] part and an indefinite number of proper [“sibling”] *sub-parts* of the same sort. ■

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 10 `is_part_set_sort`:** The domain analyser analyses a solid endurant, i.e., a part  $p$  into a set endurant:

- `is_part_set_sort`:  $p$  is a composite endurant if `is_part_set_sort( $p$ )` holds. ■

`is_part_set_sort` is a method **tool**.

The `is_part_set_sort` predicate is informal. So are all the domain analysis predicates (and functions). That is, their values are “calculated” by a human, the domain analyser. That person observes fragments in the “real world”. The determination of the predicate values, hence, are subjective.

##### 4.5.1.2.2.1 Determine Part Set Sort

**Observer Function Prompt 2 `determine_part_set_sort`:** The domain analyser observes parts into part set sorts. The method provides the **domain observer prompt**:

- `determine_part_set_sort` directs the domain analyser to determine the values and corresponding sorts of the part.

value

`determine_part_set_sort`:  $E \rightarrow P\text{-set} \times \theta P$   
`determine_part_set_sort( $e$ )` as  $(ps, \eta Pn)$

`determine_part_set_sort` is a method **tool**.

##### 4.5.1.2.2.2 Describe Part Set Sort

**Domain Description Prompt 3 `describe_part_set_sort`:** If `is_part_set_sort( $e$ )` holds, then the analyser “applies” the **domain description prompt**

- `describe_part_set_sort( $e$ )`

resulting in the analyser writing down the *Part Set Sort and Sort Observers* domain description text according to the following schema:

1. `describe_part_set_sort( $e$ )` **Describer**

```

let ( $\_, \eta P$ ) = determine_part_set_sort(e) in
“Narration:
[s] ... narrative text on sort ...
[o] ... narrative text on sort observer ...
[p] ... narrative text on proof obligation ...
Formalisation:
type
[s] P
[s] Ps = P-set
value
[o] obs_Ps: E  $\rightarrow$  Ps
proof obligation
[p] [ Single “sortness” of Ps ]”
end

```

`describe_part_set_sort` is a method **tool**.

**Elaboration 2 Type, Values and Type Names:** Note the use of quotes above. Please observe that when we write `obs_Ps` then `obs_Ps` is the name of a function. The `Ps`, when juxtaposed to `obs_` is now a name ■

**Example 37 Road Transport System: Sets of Hubs, Links and Automobiles.** We refer to Example 36 on page 45.

- 14 The road net aggregate of road net hubs consists of a set of [atomic] hubs,
- 15 The road net aggregate of road net links consists of a set of [atomic] links,
- 16 The road net aggregate of automobiles consists of a set of [atomic] automobiles.

type	value
14. Hs = H-set, H	14. obs_Hs: AH $\rightarrow$ Hs
14. Ls = L-set, L	14. obs_Ls: AL $\rightarrow$ Ls
14. As = A-set, A	14. obs_As: AA $\rightarrow$ As ■

**Example 38 Alternative Rail Units.**

- 17 The example is that of a railway system.
- 18 We focus on railway nets. They can be observed from the railway system.
- 19 The railway net embodies a set of [railway] net units.
- 20 A net unit is either a straight or curved **linear** unit, or a simple switch, i.e., a **turnout** unit<sup>62</sup> or a simple cross-over, i.e., a **rigid** crossing unit, or a single switched cross-over, i.e., a **single** slip unit, or a double switched cross-over, i.e., a **double** slip unit, or a **terminal** unit.
- 21 As a formal specification language technicality disjointness of the respective rail unit types is afforded by RSL's :: type definition construct.

We refer to Figure 4.2 on the following page.

type	type
17. RS	19. NUs = NU-set
18. RN	20. NU = LU PU RU SU DU TU
value	21. LU :: LinU
18. obs_RN: RS $\rightarrow$ RN	21. PU :: PntU

21. SU :: SwiU  
21. DU :: DbIU

21. TU :: TerU  
value  
19. obs\_NUs: RN → NUs ■

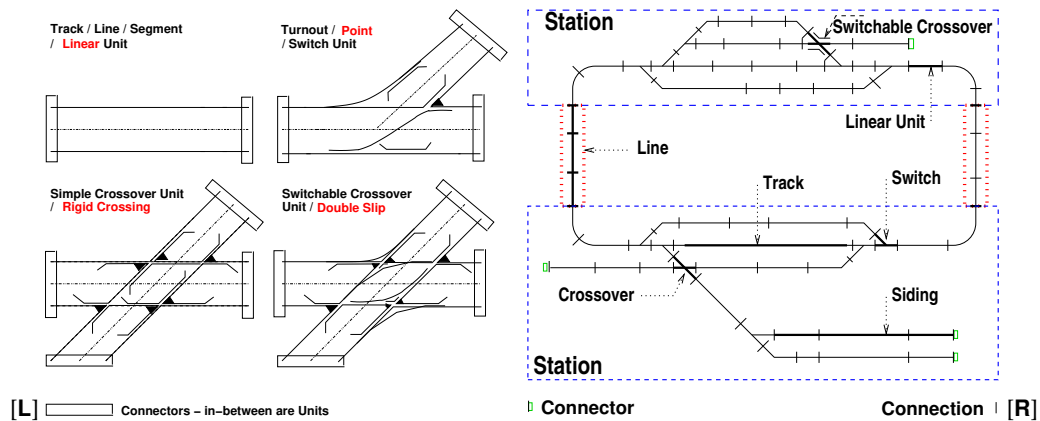


Fig. 4.2 Left: Four net units (LU, PU, SU, DU); Right: A railway net

...

**Method Principle 6 Pedantic Steps of Development:** This section, i.e., Sect. 4.5.1, has illustrated a principle of “small, pedantic” analysis & description steps. You could also call it a principle of separation of concerns ■

#### 4.5.1.3 Ontology and Taxonomy

We can speak of two kinds of ontologies<sup>63</sup>: the general ontologies of domain analysis & description, cf. Fig. 4.1 on page 39, and a specific domain’s possible endurant ontologies. We shall here focus on a [“restricted”] concept of taxonomies.<sup>64</sup>

**Definition 65 Domain Taxonomy.** By a domain taxonomy we shall understand a hierarchical structure, usually depicted as a(n “upside-down”) tree, whose “root” designates a compound part and whose “siblings” (proper sub-trees) designate parts or fluids ■

The ‘restriction’ amounts to considering only endurants. That is, not considering perdurants. **Taxonomy** is a method **technique**.

**Example 39 The Road Transport System Taxonomy.** Figure 4.3 on the facing page shows a schematised, i.e., the ..., taxonomy for the *Road Transport System* domain of Example 28 on page 37.

<sup>62</sup> [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Railroad\\_switch](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Railroad_switch)

<sup>63</sup> Ontology: a set of concepts and categories in a subject area or domain that shows their properties and the relations between them [Internet].

<sup>64</sup> Taxonomy: a scheme of classification, especially a hierarchical classification, in which things are organized into groups [Wikipedia].

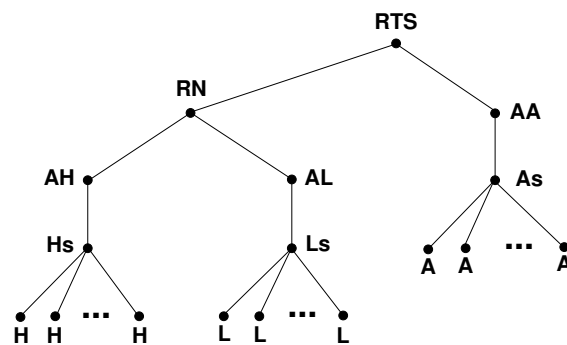


Fig. 4.3 A Road Transport System Taxonomy ■

#### 4.5.1.4 “Root” and “Sibling” Parts

For compound parts, cf. Sect. 4.5.1.2 on page 42, we introduce the specific domain taxonomy concepts of “root” and “sibling” parts. (We also refer to Fig. 4.3.)

When observing, as a human, a compound part, one may ask the question “a tree — consisting of a specific domain taxonomy node labelled, e.g.,  $X$  and the sub-trees labelled, e.g.,  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n$  — does that tree designate one “indivisible” part or does it designate  $n + 1$  parts?” We shall, in general, consider the answer to be the latter:  $n + 1$ !

We shall, in general, consider compound parts to consist of a “root” part and  $n$  “sibling parts and fluids”. What the domain modeller observes appear as one part, “the whole”, with  $n$  “embedded” sub-parts. What the domain modeller is asked to model is 1, the root part, and  $n$ , the sibling parts and fluids. The fact that the root part is separately modelled from the sibling parts, may seem to disappear in this separate modelling — but, as You shall see, in the next chapter, their relation: the siblings to “the whole”, i.e., the root, will be modelled, specifically through their mereologies, as will be covered in Sect. 5.3, but also through their respective attributes, Sect. 5.4. We shall see this non-embeddness of root and sibling parts further accentuated in the modelling of their transcendentally deduced respective (perdurant) behaviours as distinct concurrent behaviours in Chapter 6.

## 4.5.2 Living Species

**Living Species** are either **plants** or **animals**. Among animals we have the **humans**.

**Definition 66 Living Species.** By a *living species* we shall understand a solid endurant, subject to laws of physics, and additionally subject to *causality of purpose*.

Living species must have some *form they can be developed to reach*; a form they must be *causally determined to maintain*. This *development and maintenance* must further engage in *exchanges of matter with an environment*. It must be possible that living species occur in two forms: **plants**, respectively **animals**, forms which are characterised by *development, form and exchange*, which, additionally, can be characterised by the *ability of purposeful movement* [152–156, Kai Sørlander] ■

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 11 `is_living_species`:** The domain analyser analyses “things” ( $\ell$ ) into living species. The method can thus be said to provide the **domain analysis prompt**:

- **is\_living\_species** – where **is\_living\_species( $\ell$ )** holds if  $\ell$  is a living species ■

**is\_living\_species** is a method **tool**.

It is appropriate here to mention **Carl Linnaeus** (1707–1778). He was a Swedish botanist, zoologist, and physician who formalised, in the form of a binomial nomenclature, the modern system of naming organisms. He is known as the “father of modern taxonomy”. We refer to his ‘Species Plantarum’ [gutenberg.org/files/20771/20771-h/20771-h.htm](https://gutenberg.org/files/20771/20771-h/20771-h.htm).

#### 4.5.2.1 Plants

**Example 40 Plants.** Although we have not yet come across domains for which the need to model the living species of plants were needed, we give some examples anyway: grass, tulip, rhododendron, oak tree.

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 12 is\_plant:** The domain analyser analyses “things” ( $\ell$ ) into a plant. The method can thus be said to provide the **domain analysis prompt**:

- **is\_plant** – where **is\_plant( $\ell$ )** holds if  $\ell$  is a plant ■

**is\_plant** is a method **tool**. The predicate **is\_living\_species( $\ell$ )** is a prerequisite for **is\_plant( $\ell$ )**.

#### 4.5.2.2 Animals

**Definition 67 Animal.** We refer to the initial definition of *living species* above – while emphasizing the following traits: (i) a *form that animals can be developed to reach* and (ii) *causally determined to maintain* through (iii) *development and maintenance* in an exchange of matter with an environment, and (iv) *ability of purposeful movement* [152–156, Kai Sørlander] ■

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 13 is\_animal:** The domain analyser analyses “things” ( $\ell$ ) into an animal. The method can thus be said to provide the **domain analysis prompt**:

- **is\_animal** – where **is\_animal( $\ell$ )** holds if  $\ell$  is an animal ■

**is\_animal** is a method **tool**. The predicate **is\_living\_species( $\ell$ )** is a prerequisite for **is\_animal( $\ell$ )**. We distinguish, motivated by [152–156, Kai Sørlander], between humans and other.

##### 4.5.2.2.1 Humans

**Definition 68 Human.** A *human* (a *person*) is an *animal*, cf. Definition 67, with the additional properties of having *language*, being *conscious of having knowledge* (of its own situation), and *responsibility* [152–156, Kai Sørlander] ■

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 14 `is_human`:** The domain analyser analyses “things” ( $\ell$ ) into a human. The method can thus be said to provide the **domain analysis prompt**:

- `is_human` – where `is_human( $\ell$ )` holds if  $\ell$  is a human ■

`is_human` is a method **tool**. The predicate `is_animal( $\ell$ )` is a prerequisite for `is_human( $\ell$ )`.

We have not, in our many experimental domain modelling efforts had occasion to model humans; or rather: we have modelled, for example, automobiles as possessing human qualities, i.e., “subsuming humans”. We have found, in these experimental domain modelling efforts that we often confer anthropomorphic qualities on artefacts, that is, that these artefacts have human characteristics. You, the readers, are reminded that when some programmers try to explain their programs they do so using such phrases as *and here the program does ... so-and-so!*

#### 4.5.2.2.2 Other

We shall skip any treatment of other than human animals!

...

**External Quality Analysis & Description First** is a method **procedure**.

## 4.6 Some Observations

Two observations must be made.

(i) The domain modelling procedures illustrated by the analysis functions `determine_Cartesian_parts`, `determine_single_sort_part_set` and `determine_alternative_sorts_part_set` yield names of endurant sorts. Some of these names may have already been encountered, i.e., discovered. That is, the domain modeller must carefully consider such possibilities.

(ii) Endurants are **not recursively definable**! This appears to come as a surprise to many computer scientists. Immediately many suggest that “tree-like” endurants like a river, or, indeed, a tree, should be defined recursively. But we posit that that is not the case. A river, for example, has a delta, its “root” so-to-speak, but the sub-trees of a recursively defined river endurant have no such “deltas”! Instead we define such “tree-like” endurants as graphs with appropriate mereologies – as introduced in the next chapter.

## 4.7 States

In our continued modelling we shall make good use of a concept of states.

**Definition 69 State, II.** By a *state* we shall understand any collection of one or more parts ■

In Chapter 5 Sect. 5.4 we introduce the notion of *attributes*. Among attributes there are the *dynamic attributes*. They model that internal quality values may change dynamically. So we may wish, on occasion, to ‘refine’ our notion of state to be just those parts which have dynamic attributes.

### 4.7.1 State Calculation

Given any universe of discourse,  $uod:UoD$ , we can recursively calculate its “full” state,  $calc\_parts(\{uod\})$ .

- 22 Let  $e$  be any endurant. Let  $arg\_parts$  be the parts to be calculated. Let  $res\_parts$  be the parts calculated. Initialise the calculator with  $arg\_parts=\{uod\}$  and  $res\_parts=\{\}$ . Calculation stops with  $arg\_parts$  empty and  $res\_parts$  the result.
- 23 If  $is\_Cartesian(e)$
- 24 then we obtain its immediate parts,  $determine\_composite\_part(e)$
- 25 add them, as a set, to  $arg\_parts$ ,  $e$  removed from  $arg\_parts$  and added to  $res\_parts$  calculating the parts from that.
- 26 If  $is\_single\_sort\_part\_set(e)$
- 27 then the parts,  $ps$ , of the single sort set are determined,
- 28 added to  $arg\_parts$  and  $e$  removed from  $arg\_parts$  and added to  $res\_parts$  calculating the parts from that.
- 29 If  $is\_alternative\_sorts\_part\_set(e)$  then the parts,  $((p1,-),(p2,-),...,(pn,-))$ , of the alternative sorts set are determined, added to  $arg\_parts$  and  $e$  removed from  $arg\_parts$  and added to  $res\_parts$  calculating the parts from that.

**value**

22.  $calc\_parts: E\text{-}set \rightarrow E\text{-}set \rightarrow E\text{-}set$
22.  $calc\_parts(arg\_parts)(res\_parts) \equiv$
22. if  $arg\_parts = \{\}$  then  $res\_parts$  else
22. let  $e \bullet e \in arg\_parts$  in
23.  $is\_Cartesian(e) \rightarrow$
24. let  $((e1,e2,...,en),\_) = observe\_Cartesian\_part(e)$  in
25.  $calc\_parts(arg\_parts \setminus \{e\} \cup \{e1,e2,...,en\})(res\_parts \cup \{e\})$  end
26.  $is\_single\_sort\_part\_set(e) \rightarrow$
27. let  $ps = observe\_single\_sort\_part\_set(e)$  in
28.  $calc\_parts(arg\_parts \setminus \{e\} \cup ps)(res\_parts \cup \{e\})$  end
29.  $is\_alternative\_sort\_part\_set(e) \rightarrow$
29. let  $((p1,\_),(p2,\_),...,(pn,\_)) = observe\_alternative\_sorts\_part\_set(e)$  in
29.  $calc\_parts(arg\_parts \setminus \{e\} \cup \{p1,p2,...,pn\})(res\_parts \cup \{e\})$  end
22. end end

$calc\_parts$  is a method **tool**.

**Method Principle 7 Domain State:** We have found, once all the state components, i.e., the endurant parts, have had their external qualities analysed, that it is then expedient to define the domain state. It can then be the basis for several concepts of internal qualities.

#### Example 41 Constants and States.

- 30 Let there be given a universe of discourse,  $rts$  (Road Transport System). The set  $\{rts\}$  is an example of a state.

From that state we can calculate other states.

- 31 The set of all hubs,  $hs$ .
- 32 The set of all links,  $ls$ .
- 33 The set of all hubs and links,  $hls$ .
- 34 The set of all automobiles,  $as$ .
- 35 The set of all parts,  $ps$ .



**value**

```

30 rts:UoD
31 hs:H-set  $\equiv$  obs_sH(obs_SH(obs_RN(rts)))
32 ls:L-set  $\equiv$  obs_sL(obs_SL(obs_RN(rts)))
33 hls:(H|L)-set  $\equiv$  hs  $\cup$  ls
34 as:A-set  $\equiv$  obs_As(obs_AA(obs_RN(rts)))
35 ps:(UoD|H|L|A)-set  $\equiv$  rts  $\cup$  hls  $\cup$  as ■

```

### 4.7.2 Updateable States

We shall, in Sect. 5.4, introduce the notion of parts, having dynamic attributes, that is, having internal qualities that may change. To cope with the modelling, in particular of so-called *monitorable* attributes, we present the *state* as a global variable:

**variable**  $\sigma := \text{calc\_parts}(\{\text{uod}\})$

## 4.8 An External Analysis and Description Procedure

We have covered the individual analysis and description steps of our approach to the external qualities modelling of domain endurants. We now suggest a ‘formal’ description of the process of linking all these analysis and description steps.

### 4.8.1 An Analysis & Description State

Common to all the discovery processes is an idea of a *notice board*. A notice board, at any time in the development of a domain description, is a repository of the analysis and description process. We suggest to model the notice board in terms of four global variables. The **new** variable holds the **parts** yet to be described; the **asn** variable holds the **sort names of parts** that have so far been described; the **gen** variable holds the **parts** that have so far been described; and the **txt** variable holds the **RSL-Text** so far generated. We model the **txt** variable as a map from endurant identifier names to **RSL-Text**.

Discovery Schema 0: The Notice Board

```

variable
  new := {uod} ,
  asn := { “UoD ” }
  gen := { } ,
  txt:RSL-Text := [ uid_UoD(uod)  $\mapsto$  < “type UoD ” > ]

```

### 4.8.2 A Domain Discovery Procedure, I

The *discover\_sorts* pseudo program suggests a systematic way of proceeding through analysis, manifested by the *is...* predicates, to ( $\rightarrow$ ) description.

Some comments are in order. The  $e\text{-set}_a \sqcup e\text{-set}_b$  expression yields a set of endurants that are either in  $e\text{-set}_a$ , or in  $e\text{-set}_b$ , or in both, but such that two endurants,  $e_x$  and  $e_y$  which are of the same endurant type, say  $E$ , and are in respective sets is only represented once in the result.

As this is the first time RSL-Text is put on the notice board we express this as:

- $\text{txt} := \text{txt} \cup [\text{type\_name}(v) \mapsto \langle \text{RSL-Text} \rangle]$

Subsequent insertion of RSL-Text for internal quality descriptions and perdurants is then concatenated to the end of previously uploaded RSL-Text.

#### Discovery Schema 1: An External Qualities Domain Modelling Process

```

value
discover_sorts: Unit → Unit
discover_sorts() ≡ while new ≠ {} do
  let v • v ∈ new in (new := new \ {v} || gen := gen ∪ {v} || ans := ans \ {type_of(v)}) ;
  is_atomic(v) → skip ,
  is_compound(v) →
    is_Cartesian(v) →
      let ((e1,...,en),(ηE1,...,ηEn))=determine_Cartesian_part_sorts(v) in
        (ans := ans ∪ {ηE1,...,ηEn} || new := new ∪ {e1,...,en}
         || txt := txt ∪ [type_name(v) ↦ ⟨describe_Cartesian_part_sorts(v)⟩]) end,
    is_part_set(v) →
      let ((p1,...,pn),ηP)=determine_part_set_sort(v) in
        (ans := ans ∪ {ηP} || new := new ∪ {p1,...,pn} ||
         txt := txt ∪ [type_name(v) ↦ describe_part_set_sort(v)]) end,
  end end

```

`discover_sorts` is a method **procedure**.

## 4.9 Summary

We briefly summarise the main findings of this chapter. These are the main analysis predicates and functions, and the main description functions. These, to remind the reader, are (i) the *analysis*, the *is...*, *predicates*, (ii) the *analysis*, the *determine...*, *functions*, (iii) the *state calculation* function, (iv) the *description* functions, and (v) the *domain discovery* procedure.

They are summarised in this table:

External Qualities Predicates and Functions: Method Tools

- **Analysis Predicates:** These are the `is_...` functions. The domain scientist cum engineer, i.e., the domain analyser cum describer, applies this to entities being observed in the domain. The answer is a truth value. Dependent on the truth value that person then goes on to apply, again informally, either a subsequent predicate, or some function.
- **Analysis Functions:** These are the `determine_...` functions. They apply, respectively, to parts satisfying respective predicates.
- **State Calculation:** The state calculation function is given generally. The domain analyser cum describer must define this function for each domain studied.
- **Description Functions:** These calculation functions, in a sense, are the main “results” of this chapter.
- **Domain Discovery:** The procedure here being described, informally, guides the domain analyser cum describer to do the job!

#	Name	Introduced
<b>Analysis Predicates</b>		
1	<code>is_entity</code>	page 38
2	<code>is_endurant</code>	page 40
3	<code>is_perdurant</code>	page 40
4	<code>is_solid</code>	page 41
5	<code>is_fluid</code>	page 41
6	<code>is_part</code>	page 42
7	<code>is_atomic</code>	page 42
8	<code>is_compound</code>	page 42
9	<code>is_Cartesian</code>	page 43
10	<code>is_part_set_sort</code>	page 46
11	<code>is_living_species</code>	page 49
12	<code>is_plant</code>	page 50
13	<code>is_animal</code>	page 50
14	<code>is_human</code>	page 51
<b>Analysis Functions</b>		
1	<code>determine_Cartesian_part_sorts</code>	page 44
2	<code>determine_part_set_sort</code>	page 46
<b>State Calculation</b>		
	<code>calc_parts</code>	page 52
<b>Description Functions</b>		
1	<code>describe_Universe_of_Discourse</code>	page 37
2	<code>describe_Cartesian_part_sorts</code>	page 44
3	<code>describe_part_set_sort</code>	page 46
<b>Domain Discovery</b>		
	<code>discover_sorts</code>	page 54

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## Chapter 5

# Endurants: Internal and Universal Domain Qualities

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In this chapter we introduce the concepts of internal qualities of endurants and some universal qualities of domains, and cover, first, the analysis and description of internal qualities: **unique identifiers** (Sect. 5.2 on page 60), **mereologies** (Sect. 5.3 on page 64) and **attributes** (Sect. 5.4 on page 68). There is, additionally, three **universal qualities**: **space**, **time** (Sect. 5.5 on page 81) and **intentionality** (Sect. 5.6 on page 84), where *intentionality* is “something” that expresses intention, design idea, purpose of artefacts – well, some would say, also of natural endurants.

As it turns out<sup>65</sup>, to analyse and describe mereology we need to first analyse and describe unique identifiers; and to analyse and describe attributes we need to first analyse and describe mereologies. Hence:

**Method Procedure 1 Sequential Analysis & Description of Internal Qualities:** We advise that the domain modeller:

- **first** analyse & describe **unique identification** of all endurant sorts;
- **then** analyse & describe **mereologies** of all endurant sorts;
- **then** analyse & describe **attributes** of all endurant sorts; and,
- **finally**, to analyse & describe **intentionality**.

**Definition 70 Description, II.** By a **description** of the internal qualities of a domain we mean pairs of informal, narrative, and formal text which characterises the unique identifiers, mereologies, attributes, and possible intentional pulls of manifest parts (fluids and living species) ■

This chapter explains what is meant by *unique identifier*, *mereology*, *attribute* and *intentional pull*.

<sup>65</sup> You, the first time reader cannot know this, i.e., the “turns out”. Once we have developed and presented the material of this chapter, then you can see it; clearly!

## 5.1 Internal Qualities

We shall investigate the, as we shall call them, internal qualities of domains. That is, the properties of the entities to which we ascribe internal qualities. The outcome of this chapter is that the reader will be able to model the internal qualities of domains. Not just for a particular domain instance, but a possibly indefinite set of domain instances<sup>66</sup>.

### 5.1.1 General Characterisation

External qualities of endurants of a manifest domain are, in a simplifying sense, those we can see and touch. They, so to speak, take form.

**Internal qualities** of endurants of a manifest domain are, in a less simplifying sense, those which we may not be able to see or “feel” when touching an endurant, but they can, as we now ‘mandate’ them, be reasoned about, as for **unique identifiers** and **mereologies**, or be measured by some **physical/chemical** means, or be “spoken of” by **intentional deduction**, and be reasoned about, as we do when we **attribute** properties to endurants.

### 5.1.2 Manifest Parts versus Structures

In [48] we covered a notion of ‘structures’. In this primer we shall treat the concept of ‘structures’ differently. We do so by distinguishing between manifest parts and structures.

#### 5.1.2.1 Definitions

**Definition 71 Manifest Part:** By a manifest part we shall understand a part which ‘manifests’ itself either in a physical, visible manner, “occupying” an AREA or a VOLUME and a POSITION in SPACE, or in a conceptual manner forms an organisation in Your mind! ■ As we have already revealed, endurant parts can be transcendently deduced into perdurant behaviours – with manifest parts indeed being so.

**Definition 72 Structure.** By a structure we shall understand an endurant concept that allows the domain modeller to rationally decompose a domain analysis and/or its description into manageable, logically relevant sections, but where these abstract endurants are not further reflected upon in the domain analysis and description. Structures are therefore not transcendently deduced into perdurant behaviours.

#### 5.1.2.2 Analysis Predicates

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 15 `is_manifest`:** The method provides the **domain analysis prompt**:

- `is_manifest` – where  $\text{is\_manifest}(p)$  holds if  $p$  is to be considered manifest. ■

<sup>66</sup> By this we mean: You are not just analysing a specific domain, say the one manifested around the corner from where you are, but any instance, anywhere in the world, which satisfies what you have described.

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 16** `is_structure`: The method provides the *domain analysis prompt*:

- `is_structure` – where  $\text{is\_structure}(p)$  holds if  $p$  is to be considered a structure. ■

The obvious holds:  $\text{is\_manifest}(p) \equiv \sim \text{is\_structure}(p)$ .

### 5.1.2.3 Examples

**Example 42 Manifest Parts and Structures.** We refer to Example 36 on page 45: the Road Transport System. We shall consider all atomic parts: hubs, links and automobiles as being manifest. (They are physical, visible and in *SPACE*.) We shall consider road nets and aggregates of automobiles as being manifest. Road nets are physical, visible and in *SPACE*. Aggregates of automobiles are here considered conceptual. The road net manifest part, apart from its aggregates of hubs and links, can be thought of as “representing” a *Department of Roads*<sup>67</sup>. The automobile aggregate apart from its automobiles, can be thought of as “representing” a *Department of Vehicles*<sup>68</sup>. We shall, at present, consider hub and link aggregates and hub and link sets as structures. ■

### 5.1.2.4 Modelling Consequence

If a part is considered manifest then we shall endow that part with all three kinds of internal qualities. If a part is considered a structure then we shall **not** endow that part with any of the three kinds of internal qualities.

## 5.2 Unique Identification

The concept of parts having unique identifiability, that is, that two parts, if they are the same, have the same unique identifier, and if they are not the same, then they have distinct identifiers, that concept is fundamental to our being able to analyse and describe internal qualities of endurants. So we are left with the issue of ‘identity’! (We refer to Sect. 2.4.5.1 on page 15.)

**Definition 73 Uniqueness.** By uniqueness of parts we shall mean that any two spatially distinct parts are two unique parts – cannot be confused. ■

**Definition 74 Unique Identifier.** By a unique identifier we shall mean anything that can be used to distinguish any one part from any other spatially distinct parts. ■

### 5.2.1 On Uniqueness of Endurants

We therefore introduce the notion of unique identification of part endurants. We assume (i) that all part endurants,  $e$ , of any domain  $E$ , have *unique identifiers*, (ii) that *unique identifiers* (of part

<sup>67</sup> – of some country, state, province, city or other.

<sup>68</sup> See above footnote.



endurants  $e:E$ ) are *abstract values* (of the *unique identifier* sort  $UI$  of part endurants  $e:E$ ), (iii) that distinct part endurant sorts,  $E_i$  and  $E_j$ , have distinctly named *unique identifier* sorts, say  $UI_i$  and  $UI_j$ <sup>69</sup>, and (iv) that all  $ui_i:UI_i$  and  $ui_j:UI_j$  are distinct.

The names of unique identifier sorts, say  $UI$ , is entirely at the discretion of the *domain modeller*. If, for example, the sort name of a part is  $P$ , then it might be expedient to name the sort of the unique identifiers of its parts  $PI$ .

**Representation of Unique Identifiers:** Unique identifiers are abstractions. When we endow two endurants (say of the same sort) distinct unique identifiers then we are simply saying that these two endurants are distinct. We are not assuming anything about how these identifiers otherwise come about. **Identifiability of Endurants:** From a philosophical point of view, and with basis in Kai Sørlander's Philosophy, cf. Paragraph **Identity, Difference and Relations** (Page 15), one can rationally argue that there are many endurants, and that they are unique, and hence uniquely identifiable. From an empirical point of view, and since one may eventually have a software development in mind, we may wonder how unique identifiability can be accommodated.

Unique identifiability for solid endurants, even though they may be mobile, is straightforward: one can think of many ways of ascribing a unique identifier to any part. Hence one can think of many such unique identification schemas.

Unique identifiability for fluids may seem a bit more tricky. For this primer we shall not suggest to endow fluids with unique identification. We have simply not experimented with such part-fluids and fluid-parts domains – not enough – to suggest so.

### 5.2.2 Uniqueness Modelling Tools

The analysis method offers an observer function  $uid\_E$  which when applied to a part endurant,  $e$  of sort  $E$ , yields the unique identifier,  $ui:EI$ , of  $e$ .

**Domain Description Prompt 4** `describe_unique_identifier`: We can therefore apply the **domain description prompt**:

- `describe_unique_identifier`

to endurants  $e:E$  resulting in the analyser writing down the *Unique Identifier Type and Observer* domain description text according to the following schema:

#### 2. `describe_unique_identifier(e)` Observer

##### “Narration:

- [s] ... narrative text on unique identifier sort  $EI$  ...<sup>70</sup>
- [u] ... narrative text on unique identifier observer  $uid\_E$  ...
- [a] ... axiom on uniqueness of unique identifiers ...

##### Formalisation:

```

type
[s] UI
value
[u] uid_E: E → EI”
```

$is\_part(e)$  is a prerequisite for  $describe\_unique\_identifier(e)$ .

<sup>69</sup> This restriction is not necessary, but, for the time being, we can assume that it is.

<sup>70</sup> The name,  $EI$ , of the unique identifier sort is determined, “*pulled out of a hat*”, by the domain modeller(s), i.e., the person(s) who “apply” the `describe_unique_identifier(e)` prompt.

The unique identifier type name,  $EI$  above, chosen, of course, by the *domain modeller*, usually properly embodies the type name,  $E$ , of the endurant being analysed and mereology-described. Thus a part of type-name  $E$  might be given the mereology type name  $EI$ .

Generally we shall refer to these names by  $UI$ .

**Observer Function Prompt 3** `type_name, type_of, is_`: Given *description schema 4* we have, so-to-speak “in-reverse”, that

$$\forall e:E \cdot uid_E(e)=ui \Rightarrow type\_of(ui)=\eta UI \wedge type\_name(ui)=UI \wedge is\_UI(ui)$$

$\eta UI$  is a variable of type  $\eta T$ .  $\eta T$  is the type of all domain endurant, unique identifier, mereology and attribute type names. By the subsequent  $UI$  we refer to the unique identifier type name value of  $\eta UI$ .

#### Example 43 Unique Identifiers.

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| 36 We assign unique identifiers to all parts.                     | a All hubs have distinct [unique] identifiers. |
| 37 By a road identifier we shall mean a link or a hub identifier. | b All links have distinct identifiers.         |
| 38 Unique identifiers uniquely identify all parts.                | c All automobiles have distinct identifiers.   |
|   | d All parts have distinct identifiers.         |

**type**

36  $H\_UI, L\_UI, A\_UI$

37  $R\_UI = H\_UI \mid L\_UI$

**value**

38a  $uid\_H: H \rightarrow H\_UI$

38b  $uid\_L: H \rightarrow L\_UI$

38c  $uid\_A: H \rightarrow A\_UI$  ■

### 5.2.3 The Unique Identifier State

Given a universe of discourse we can calculate the set of the unique identifiers of all its parts.

**value**

$calculate\_all\_unique\_identifiers: UoD \rightarrow UI\_set$

$calculate\_all\_unique\_identifiers(uod) \equiv$

$\text{let parts} = calc\_parts(\{uod\})() \text{ in } \{ uid\_E(e) \mid e:E \cdot e \in parts \} \text{ end}$

We can speak of a unique identifier state:

**variable**

$uid_\sigma := discover\_uids(uod)$

**value**

$discover\_uids: UoD \rightarrow UI\_set$

$discover\_uids(uod) \equiv calculate\_all\_unique\_identifiers(uod)$

**Example 44 Unique Road Transport System Identifiers.** We can calculate:

- 39 the set,  $h_{ui}s$ , of unique hub identifiers;  
 40 the set,  $l_{ui}s$ , of unique link identifiers;  
 41 the set,  $r_{ui}s$ , of all unique hub and link, i.e., road identifiers;  
 42 the map,  $hl_{ui}m$ , from unique hub identifiers to the set of unique link identifiers of the links connected to the zero, one or more identified hubs,

- 43 the map,  $lh_{uis}$ , from unique link identifiers to the set of unique hub identifiers of the two hubs connected to the identified link;  
 44 the set,  $a_{uis}$ , of unique automobile identifiers;

value

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39  $h_{uis}:H\_UI\_set \equiv \{uid\_H(h)|h:H \cdot h \in hs\}$ 
40  $l_{uis}:L\_UI\_set \equiv \{uid\_L(l)|l:L \cdot l \in ls\}$ 
41  $r_{uis}:R\_UI\_set \equiv h_{uis} \cup l_{uis}$ 
42  $hl_{uis}m:(H\_UI \rightarrow L\_UI\_set) \equiv$ 
42    $[h\_ui \mapsto luis | h\_ui:H\_UI, luis:L\_UI\_set \cdot h\_ui \in h_{uis} \wedge (\_, luis, \_) = mereo\_H(\eta(h\_ui))]$ 
43  $lh_{uis}m:(L\_UI \rightarrow H\_UI\_set) \equiv$ 
43    $[l\_ui \mapsto huis | l\_ui:L\_UI, huis:H\_UI\_set \cdot l\_ui \in l_{uis} \wedge (\_, huis, \_) = mereo\_L(\eta(l\_ui))]$ 
44  $a_{uis}:A\_UI\_set \equiv \{uid\_A(a)|a:A \cdot a \in as\}$  ■

```

### 5.2.4 A Domain Law: Uniqueness of Endurant Identifiers

We postulate that the unique identifier observer functions are about the uniqueness of the postulated enduring identifiers. But how is that guaranteed? We know, as “an indisputable law of domains”, that they are distinct, but our formulas do not guarantee that! So we must formalise their uniqueness.

#### All Domain Parts have Unique Identifiers

##### A Domain Law: 1 All Domain Parts have Unique Identifiers:

45 All parts of a described domain have unique identifiers.

axiom

45  $\text{card } \text{calc\_parts}(\{uod\}) = \text{card } \text{all\_unique\_identifiers}(uod)$

**Example 45 Uniqueness of Road Net Identifiers.** We must express the following axioms:

- 46 All hub identifiers are distinct.  
 47 All link identifiers are distinct.  
 48 All automobile identifiers are distinct.  
 49 All part identifiers are distinct.

axiom

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46  $\text{card } hs = \text{card } h_{uis}$ 
47  $\text{card } ls = \text{card } l_{uis}$ 
48  $\text{card } as = \text{card } a_{uis}$ 
49  $\text{card } \{h_{uis} \cup l_{uis} \cup a_{uis}\} = \text{card } h_{uis} + \text{card } l_{uis} + \text{card } a_{uis}$  ■

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We ascribe, in principle, unique identifiers to all endurants whether natural or artefactual. We find, from our many experiments, cf. the *Universes of Discourse* example, Page 36, that we really focus on those domain entities which are artefactual endurants and their behavioural “counterparts”.

**Example 46 Rail Net Unique Identifiers.**

- 50 With every rail net unit we associate a unique identifier.

- 51 That is, no two rail net units have the same identifier.  
 52 No two distinct trains have the same identifier.  
 53 Train identifiers are distinct from rail net unit identifiers.

**type**

50. NUI

**value**

50. uid\_NU: NU  $\rightarrow$  NUI

**axiom**

51.  $\forall ui_i, ui_j: NUI \cdot ui_i = ui_j \equiv uid\_NU(ui_i) = uid\_NU(ui_j)$

#### 5.2.4.1 Part Retrieval

Given the unique identifier,  $pi$ , of a part  $p$ , but not the part itself, and given the universe-of-discourse (uod) state  $\sigma$ , we can *retrieve* part,  $p$ , as follows:

**value**

$pi: PI, uod: UoD, \sigma$

$retr\_part: PI \rightarrow P$

$retr\_part(pi) \equiv \text{let } p:P \cdot p \in \sigma \wedge uid\_P(p)=pi \text{ in } p \text{ end}$

**pre:**  $\exists p:P \cdot p \in \sigma \wedge uid\_P(p)=pi$

#### 5.2.4.2 Unique Identification of Compounds

For structures we do not model their unique identification. But their components, whether the structures are “*Cartesian*” or “*sets*”, may very well be non-structures, hence be uniquely identifiable.

### 5.3 Mereology

**Definition 75 Mereology, II.** Mereology is the study and knowledge of parts and part relations. ■

Mereology, as a logical/philosophical discipline, can perhaps best be attributed to the Polish mathematician/logician Stanisław Leśniewski (1886–1939) [36, 70].

#### 5.3.1 Endurant Relations

Which are the relations that can be relevant for “endurant-hood”? There are basically two relations: (i) spatial ones, and (ii) conceptual ones.

(i) Spatially two or more endurants may be *topologically* either adjacent to one another, like rails of a line, or within an endurant, like links and hubs of a road net, or an atomic part is conjoined to one or more fluids, or a fluid is conjoined to one or more parts. The latter two could also be considered conceptual “adjacencies”.

(ii) Conceptually some parts, like automobiles, “belong” to an embedding endurant, like to an automobile club, or are registered in the local department of vehicles, or are ‘intended’ to drive on roads.

### 5.3.2 Mereology Modelling Tools

When the domain analyser decides that some endurants are related in a specifically enunciated mereology, the analyser has to decide on suitable *mereology types* and *mereology observers* (i.e., endurant relations). In general we express the mereology of an endurant,  $p:P$ , as a type expression<sup>71</sup> over unique identifiers of the spatially and/or conceptually related endurants:

type

$$MT = \mathcal{M}(UI_i, UI_j, \dots, UI_k)$$

**Domain Description Prompt 5 describe\_mereology:** If `has_mereology(p)` holds for parts  $p$  of type  $P$ , then the analyser can apply the *domain description prompt*:

- `describe_mereology`

to parts of that type and write down the *Mereology Types and Observer* domain description text according to the following schema:

#### 3. describe\_mereology(e) Observer

“Narration:

- [t] ... narrative text on mereology type ...
- [m] ... narrative text on mereology observer ...
- [a] ... narrative text on mereology type constraints ...

Formalisation:

type

$$[t] \quad MT = \mathcal{M}(UI_i, UI_j, \dots, UI_k)$$

value

$$[m] \quad \text{mereo\_P}: P \rightarrow MT$$

axiom [Well-formedness of Domain Mereologies]

$$[a] \quad \mathcal{A}: \mathcal{A}(MT) \text{ ”.}$$

$\mathcal{A}(MT)$  is a predicate over possibly all unique identifier types of the domain description. To write down the concrete type definition for  $MT$  requires a bit of analysis and thinking,

#### Example 47 Mereology of a Road Net.

- 54 The mereology of hubs is a pair: (i) a set of automobile identifiers<sup>72</sup>, and (ii) the set of unique identifiers of the links that it is connected to.<sup>73</sup>
- 55 The mereology of links is a pair: (i) a set of automobile identifiers, and (ii) the set of exactly the two distinct hubs they are connected to.
- 56 The mereology of an automobile is the set of the unique identifiers of all links and hubs along which it might travel<sup>74</sup>.

We presently omit treatment of road net and automobile aggregate mereologies. For road net mereology we refer to Example 77, Item 143 on page 106.

type

$$54 \quad H\_Mer = V\_UI\text{-set} \times L\_UI\text{-set}$$

$$55 \quad L\_Mer = V\_UI\text{-set} \times H\_UI\text{-set}$$

$$56 \quad A\_Mer = R\_UI\text{-set}$$

value

$$54 \quad \text{mereo\_H}: H \rightarrow H\_Mer$$

$$55 \quad \text{mereo\_L}: L \rightarrow L\_Mer$$

$$56 \quad \text{mereo\_A}: A \rightarrow A\_Mer \quad \blacksquare$$

<sup>71</sup> We refer to Appendix Sect. C.2.1 on page 176 for more on RSL types.

### 5.3.2.1 Invariance of Mereologies

For mereologies one can usually express some invariants. Such invariants express “law-like properties”, facts which are indisputable. We refer to Sect. 5.3.4 on the next page.

**Example 48 Invariance of Road Nets.** The observed mereologies must express identifiers of the state of such for road nets:

**axiom**

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54  $\forall (a_{uis}, l_{uis}): H\_Mer \cdot l_{uis} \subseteq l_{uis} \wedge a_{uis} \subseteq a_{uis}$ 
55  $\forall (a_{uis}, h_{uis}): L\_Mer \cdot a_{uis} \subseteq a_{uis} \wedge h_{uis} \subseteq h_{uis} \wedge \text{card } h_{uis} = 2$ 
56  $\forall r_{uis}: A\_Mer \cdot r_{uis} \subseteq r_{uis}$ 

```

57 For all hubs,  $h$ , and links,  $l$ , in the same road net,

58 if the hub  $h$  connects to link  $l$  then link  $l$  connects to hub  $h$ .

**axiom**

```

57  $\forall h: H, l: L \cdot h \in h_s \wedge l \in l_s \Rightarrow$ 
57   let  $(\_, l_{uis}) = \text{mereo\_H}(h), (\_, h_{uis}) = \text{mereo\_L}(l)$ 
58   in  $\text{uid\_L}(l) \in l_{uis} \equiv \text{uid\_H}(h) \in h_{uis}$  end

```

59 For all links,  $l$ , and hubs,  $h_a, h_b$ , in the same road net,

60 if the  $l$  connects to hubs  $h_a$  and  $h_b$ , then  $h_a$  and  $h_b$  both connects to link  $l$ .

**axiom**

```

59  $\forall h_a, h_b: H, l: L \cdot \{h_a, h_b\} \subseteq h_s \wedge l \in l_s \Rightarrow$ 
59   let  $(\_, l_{uis}) = \text{mereo\_H}(h), (\_, h_{uis}) = \text{mereo\_L}(l)$ 
60   in  $\text{uid\_L}(l) \in l_{uis} \equiv \text{uid\_H}(h) \in h_{uis}$  end ■

```

### 5.3.2.2 Deductions made from Mereologies

Once we have settled basic properties of the mereologies of a domain we can, like for unique identifiers, cf. Example 43 on page 62, “play around” with that concept: ‘the mereology of a domain’.

**Example 49 Consequences of a Road Net Mereology.**

61 are there [isolated] units from which one can not “reach” other units?

62 does the net consist of two or more “disjoint” nets?

63 et cetera ■

We leave it to the reader to narrate and formalise the above properly. (We refer to Appendix B.3.3.1 on page 159 which exemplifies to modelling of routes in networks.)

<sup>71</sup> This is just another way of saying that the meaning of hub mereologies involves the unique identifiers of those vehicles that might pass through the hub.

<sup>72</sup> The link identifiers designate the links, zero, one or more, that a hub is connected to.

<sup>73</sup> — that the automobile might pass through

### 5.3.3 Formulation of Mereologies

The `observe_mereology` domain descriptor, Page 65, may give the impression that the mereo type MT can be described “at the point of issue” of the `observe_mereology` prompt. Since the MT type expression may, in general, depend on any part sort the mereo type MT can, for some domains, “first” be described when all part sorts have had their unique identifiers defined.

### 5.3.4 Fixed and Varying Mereologies

The mereology of parts is not necessarily fixed.

**Definition 76 Fixed Mereology.** By a **fixed mereology** we shall understand a mereology of a part which remains fixed over time.

**Definition 77 Varying Mereology.** By a **varying mereology** we shall understand a mereology of a part which may vary over time.

**Example 50 Fixed and Varying Mereology.** Let us consider a road net<sup>74</sup>. If hubs and links never change “affiliation”, that is: hubs are in fixed relation to zero, one or more links, and links are in a fixed relation to exactly two hubs then the mereology of Example 47 on page 65 is a *fixed mereology*. If, on the other hand hubs may be inserted into or removed from the net, and/or links may be removed from or inserted between any two existing hubs, then the mereology of Example 47 on page 65 is a *varying mereology* .

### 5.3.5 No Fluids Mereology

We comment on our decision, for this primer, to not endow fluids with mereologies. A first reason is that we “restrict” the concept of mereology to part endurants, that is, to solid endurants – those with “more-or-less” *fixed extents*. Fluids can be said to normally not have fixed extents, that is, they can “morph” from small into spatially extended forms. For domains of part-fluid conjoins this is particularly true. The fluids in such domains flow through and between parts. Some parts, at some times, embodying large, at other times small amounts of fluid. Some proper, but partial amount of fluid flowing from one part to a next. Et cetera. It is for the same reason that we do not endow fluids with identity. So, for this primer we decide to not suggest the modelling of fluid mereologies.

### 5.3.6 Some Modelling Observations

It is, in principle, possible to find examples of mereologies of natural parts: rivers: their confluence, lakes and oceans; and geography: mountain ranges, flat lands, etc. But in our experimental case studies, cf. Example on Page 36, we have found no really interesting such cases. All our experimental case studies appear to focus on the mereology of artefacts. And, finally, in modelling humans, we find that their mereology encompasses all other humans and all artefacts! Humans cannot be tamed to refrain from interacting with everyone and everything.

<sup>74</sup> cf. Examples 28 on page 37, 36 on page 45, 37 on page 47, 39 on page 48, 42 on page 60, 43 on page 62, 45 on page 63, 46 on page 63, 47 on page 65 and 48.

Some domain models may emphasize *physical mereologies* based on spatial relations, others may emphasize *conceptual mereologies* based on logical “connections”.

**Example 51 Rail Net Mereology.** We refer to Example 38 on page 47.

- 64 A linear rail unit is connected to exactly two distinct other rail net units of any given rail net.
- 65 A point unit is connected to exactly three distinct other rail net units of any given rail net.
- 66 A rigid crossing unit is connected to exactly four distinct other rail net units of any given rail net.
- 67 A single slip unit, as well as a double slip unit is connected to exactly four distinct other rail net units of any given rail net.
- 68 A terminal unit is connected to exactly one distinct other rail net unit of any given rail net.
- 69 So we model the mereology of a railway net unit as a pair of sets of rail net unit unique identifiers distinct from that of the rail net unit.

**value**

69. mereo\_NU: NU  $\rightarrow$  (UI-set $\times$ UI-set)

**axiom**

69.  $\forall nu:NU \cdot$

69.   **let** (uis<sub>j</sub>,uis<sub>o</sub>)=mereo\_NU(nu) **in**

69.   **case** (card uis<sub>j</sub>,card uis<sub>o</sub>) =

64.     (is\_LU(nu)  $\rightarrow$  (1,1),

65.     is\_PU(nu)  $\rightarrow$  (1,2)  $\vee$  (2,1),

66.     is\_RU(nu)  $\rightarrow$  (2,2),

67.     is\_SU(nu)  $\rightarrow$  (2,2), is\_DU(nu)  $\rightarrow$  (2,2),

68.     is\_TU(nu)  $\rightarrow$  (1,0)  $\vee$  (0,1),

69.     \_\_  $\rightarrow$  **chaos**) **end**

69.    $\wedge uis_j \cap uis_o = \{\}$

69.    $\wedge uid\_NU(nu) \notin (uis_j \cup uis_o)$

69.   **end**

Figure 5.1 illustrates the mereology of four rail units.

Linear	Point	Rigid Crossing	Double Slip
$\{\{ua\},\{ux\}\}$ $\{\{ux\},\{ua\}\}$	$\{\{ua\},\{ux,uy\}\}$ $\{\{ux,uy\},\{ua\}\}$	$\{\{ua,ub\},\{ux,uy\}\}$ $\{\{ux,uy\},\{ua,ub\}\}$	$\{\{ua,ub\},\{ux,uy\}\}$ $\{\{ux,uy\},\{ua,ub\}\}$

Fig. 5.1 Four Symmetric Rail Unit Mereologies ■

## 5.4 Attributes

To recall: there are three sets of *internal qualities*: unique identifiers, mereologies and attributes. Unique identifiers and mereologies are rather definite kinds of internal enduring qualities; attributes form more “free-wheeling” sets of *internal qualities*. Whereas, for this primer, we suggest to not endow fluids with unique identification and mereologies.

All endurants, i.e., including fluids, are endowed with attributes.



### 5.4.1 Inseparability of Attributes from Parts and Fluids

Parts and fluids are typically recognised because of their spatial form and are otherwise characterised by their intangible, but measurable attributes. That is, whereas endurants, whether solid (as are parts) or fluids, are physical, tangible, in the sense of being spatial [or being abstractions, i.e., concepts, of spatial endurants], attributes are intangible: cannot normally be touched<sup>75</sup>, or seen<sup>76</sup>, but can be objectively measured<sup>77</sup>. Thus, in our quest for describing domains where humans play an active rôle, we rule out subjective “attributes”: feelings, sentiments, moods. Thus we shall abstain, in our domain science also from matters of aesthetics.

We equate all endurants — which have *the same type of unique identifiers, the same type of mereologies, and the same types of attributes* — with one sort. Thus removing an internal quality from an endurant makes no sense: the endurant of that type either becomes an endurant of another type or ceases to exist (i.e., becomes a non-entity)!

We can roughly distinguish between two kinds of attributes: those which can be motivated by **physical** (including chemical) **concerns**, and those, which, although they embody some form of ‘physics measures’, appear to reflect on **event histories**: “if ‘something’,  $\phi$ , has ‘happened’ to an endurant,  $e_a$ , then some ‘commensurate thing’,  $\psi$ , has ‘happened’ to another (one or more) endurants,  $e_b$ .” where the ‘something’ and ‘commensurate thing’ usually involve some ‘interaction’ between the two (or more) endurants. It can take some reflection and analysis to properly identify endurants  $e_a$  and  $e_b$  and commensurate events  $\phi$  and  $\psi$ . Example 65 shall illustrate the, as we shall call it, **intentional pull** of event histories.

### 5.4.2 Attribute Modelling Tools

#### 5.4.2.1 Attribute Quality and Attribute Value

We distinguish between an **attribute** (as a logical proposition, of a name, i.e.) **type**, and an **attribute value**, as a value in some value space.

#### 5.4.2.2 Concrete Attribute Types

By a *concrete type* we shall understand a sort (i.e., a type) which is defined in terms of some type expression:  $T = \mathcal{T}(\dots)$ . This is indicated below by [=...].

#### 5.4.2.3 Attribute Description

Let us recall that attributes cover qualities other than unique identifiers and mereology. Let us then consider that parts and fluids have one or more attributes. These attributes are qualities which help characterise “what it means” to be a part or a fluid. Note that we expect every part and fluid to have at least one attribute. The question is now, in general, how many and, particularly, which.

The **describe\_attributes** description prompt is now defined.

<sup>75</sup> One can see the red colour of a wall, but one touches the wall.

<sup>76</sup> One cannot see electric current, and one may touch an electric wire, but only if it conducts high voltage can one know that it is indeed an electric wire.

<sup>77</sup> That is, we restrict our domain analysis with respect to attributes to such quantities which are observable, say by mechanical, electrical or chemical instruments. Once objective measurements can be made of human feelings, beauty, and other, we may wish to include these “attributes” in our domain descriptions.

**Domain Description Prompt 6 `describe_attributes`:** The domain analyser experiments, thinks and reflects about endurant,  $e$ , attributes. That process is initiated by the **domain description prompt**:

- `describe_attributes(e)`.

The result of that **domain description prompt** is that the domain analyser cum describer writes down the *Attribute (Sorts or) Types and Observers* domain description text according to the following schema:

**let**  $\{\eta A_1, \dots, \eta A_m\} = \text{determine\_attribute\_type\_names}(e)$  **in**

“**Narration:**

- [t] ... narrative text on attribute sorts ...  
some  $A_i$ s may be concretely defined:  $[A_i = \dots]$
- [o] ... narrative text on attribute sort observers ...
- [p] ... narrative text on attribute sort proof obligations ...

**Formalisation:**

```

type
[t]  $A_1[= \dots], \dots, A_m[= \dots]$ 
value
[o]  $\text{attr\_}A_1: E \rightarrow A_1, \dots, \text{attr\_}A_m: E \rightarrow A_m$ 
proof obligation [Disjointness of Attribute Types]
[p]  $\mathcal{PO}$ : let  $P$  be any part sort in [the domain description]
[p] let  $a: (A_1|A_2|\dots|A_m)$  in  $\text{is\_}A_i(a) \neq \text{is\_}A_j(a)$  [ $i \neq j, i, j: [1..m]$ ] end end ”

```

**end**

Let  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  be the set of all conceivable attributes of endurant  $e: E$ . (Usually  $n$  is a rather large natural number, say in the order of a hundred conceivable such.) In any one domain model the domain analyser cum describer selects a modest subset,  $A_1, \dots, A_m$ , i.e.,  $m < n$ . Across many domain models for “more-or-less the same” domain  $m$  varies and the attributes,  $A_1, \dots, A_m$ , selected for one model may differ from those,  $A'_1, \dots, A'_m$ , chosen for another model.

The **type** definitions:  $A_1, \dots, A_m$ , inform us that the domain analyser has decided to focus on the distinctly named  $A_1, \dots, A_m$  attributes.<sup>78</sup> The **value** clauses  $\text{attr\_}A_1: P \rightarrow A_1, \dots, \text{attr\_}A_m: P \rightarrow A_m$  are then “automatically” given: if an endurant,  $e: E$ , has an attribute  $A_i$  then there is postulated, “by definition” [eureka] an attribute observer function  $\text{attr\_}A_i: E \rightarrow A_i$  et cetera.

We cannot automatically, that is, syntactically, guarantee that our domain descriptions secure that the various attribute types for an endurant sort denote disjoint sets of values. Therefore we must prove it.

#### 5.4.2.4 Attribute Categories

Michael A. Jackson [113] has suggested a hierarchy of attribute categories: from static to dynamic values – and within the dynamic value category: inert values, reactive values, active values – and within the dynamic active value category: autonomous values, biddable values and programmable values. We now review these attribute value types. The review is based on [113, M.A.Jackson].

*Endurant attributes* are either constant, i.e., **static**, or varying, i.e., **dynamic** attributes.

<sup>78</sup> The attribute type names are chosen by the domain analyser to reflect on domain phenomena.

**Attribute Category 1** By a *static attribute*,  $a:A$ , `is_static_attribute(a)`, we shall understand an attribute whose values are constants, i.e., cannot change. ■

**Example 52 Static Attributes.** Let us exemplify road net attributes in this and the next examples. And let us assume the following attributes: year of first link construction and link length at that time. We may consider both to be static attributes: The year first established, seems an obvious static attribute and the length is fixed at the time the road was first built.

**Attribute Category 2** By a *dynamic attribute*,  $a:A$ , `is_dynamic_attribute(a)`, we shall understand an attribute whose values are variable, i.e., can change. Dynamic attributes are either *inert*, *reactive* or *active* attributes. ■

**Attribute Category 3** By an *inert attribute*,  $a:A$ , `is_inert_attribute(a)`, we shall understand a dynamic attribute whose values only change as the result of external stimuli where these stimuli prescribe new values. ■

**Example 53 Inert Attribute.** And let us now further assume the following link attribute: link name. We may consider it to be an inert attribute: the name is not “assigned” to the link by the link itself, but probably by some road net authority which we are not modelling.

**Attribute Category 4** By a *reactive attribute*,  $a:A$ , `is_reactive_attribute(a)`, we shall understand a dynamic attribute whose values, if they vary, change in response to external stimuli, where these stimuli either come from outside the domain of interest or from other endurants. ■

**Example 54 Reactive Attributes.** Let us further assume the following two link attributes: “wear and tear”, respectively “icy and slippery”. We will consider those attributes to be reactive in that automobiles (another part) traveling the link, an external “force”, typically causes the “wear and tear”, respectively the weather (outside our domain) causes the “icy and slippery” property.

**Attribute Category 5** By an *active attribute*,  $a:A$ , `is_active_attribute(a)`, we shall understand a dynamic attribute whose values change (also) by its own volition. Active attributes are either *autonomous*, or *biddable* or *programmable* attributes. ■

**Attribute Category 6** By an  $a:A$ , `is_autonomous_attribute(a)`, we shall understand a dynamic active attribute whose values change only “on their own volition”. The values of an autonomous attributes are a “law unto themselves and their surroundings”. ■

**Example 55 Autonomous Attributes.** We enlarge the scope of our examples of attribute categories to now also include automobiles (on the road net). In this example we assume that an automobile is driven by a human [behaviour]. These are some automobile attributes: velocity, acceleration, and moving straight, or turning left, or turning right. We shall consider these three attributes to be autonomous. It is the driver, not the automobile, who decides whether the automobile should drive at constant velocity, including 0, or accelerate or decelerate, including stopping. And it is the driver who decides when to turn left or right, or not turn at all.

**Attribute Category 7** By a *biddable attribute*,  $a:A$ , `is_biddable_attribute(a)` we shall understand a dynamic active attribute whose values are prescribed but may fail to be observed as retaining that value.

**Example 56 Biddable Attributes.** In the context of automobiles these are some biddable attributes: turning the wheel, to drive right at a hub – with the automobile failing to turn right; pressing the accelerator, to obtain a higher speed – with the automobile failing to really gaining speed; pressing the brake, to stop – with the automobile failing to halt.

**Attribute Category 8** By a *programmable attribute*,  $a:A$ , `is_programmable_attribute(a)`, we shall understand a dynamic active attribute whose values can be prescribed.

**Example 57 Programmable Attribute.** We continue with the automobile on the road net examples. In this example we assume that an automobile includes, as one inseparable entity, “the driver”. These are some automobile attributes: position on a link, velocity, acceleration (incl. deceleration), and direction: straight, turning left, turning right. We shall now consider these three attributes to be programmable.

Figure 5.2 captures an attribute value ontology.

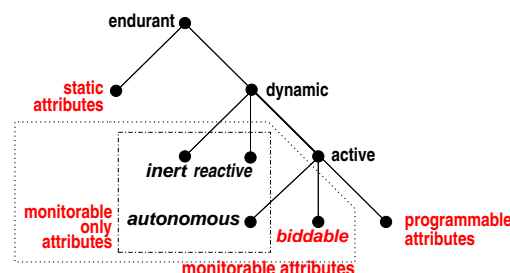


Fig. 5.2 Attribute Value Ontology

Figure 5.2 hints at three categories of dynamic attributes: **monitorable only**, **biddable** and **programmable** attributes.

**Attribute Category 9** By a *monitorable only attribute*,  $a:A$ , `is_monitorable_only_attribute(a)`, we shall understand a dynamic active attribute which is either *inert* or *reactive* or *autonomous*.

That is:

```

value
  is_monitorable_only: E → Bool
  is_monitorable_only(e) ≡ is_inert(e) ∨ is_reactive(e) ∨ is_autonomous(e)

```

#### Example 58 Road Net Attributes.

We treat some attributes of the hubs of a road net.

- 70 There is a hub state. It is a set of pairs,  $(l_f, l_t)$ , of link identifiers, where these link identifiers are in the mereology of the hub. The meaning of the hub state in which, e.g.,  $(l_f, l_t)$  is an element, is that the hub is open, “green”, for traffic from link  $l_f$  to link  $l_t$ . If a hub state is empty then the hub is closed, i.e., “red” for traffic from any connected links to any other connected links.
- 71 There is a hub state space. It is a set of hub states. The current hub state must be in its state space. The meaning of the hub state space is that its states are all those the hub can attain.
- 72 Since we can think rationally about it, it can be described, hence we can model, as an attribute of hubs, a history of its traffic: the recording, per unique automobile identifier, of the time ordered presence in the hub of these vehicles. Hub history is an *event history*.

```

type
70 HΣ = (L_UI × L_UI)-set
71 HΩ = HΣ-set
72 H_Traffic = A_UI ↗ (TIME × VPos)*
axiom
70 ∀ h:H • obs_HΣ(h) ∈ obs_HΩ(h)
72 ∀ ht:H_Traffic, ui:A_UI • ui ∈ dom ht ⇒ time_ordered(ht(ui))
value
70 attr_HΣ: H → HΣ
71 attr_HΩ: H → HΩ
72 attr_H_Traffic: H → H_Traffic
72 time_ordered: (TIME × VPos)* → Bool
72 time_ordered(tvpl) ≡ ...

```

In Item 72 we model the time-ordered sequence of traffic as a discrete sampling, i.e.,  $\mapsto$ , rather than as a continuous function,  $\rightarrow$  ■

#### Example 59 Invariance of Road Net Traffic States.

We continue Example 58.

- 73 The link identifiers of hub states must be in the set,  $l_{ui}S$ , of the road net’s link identifiers.

```

axiom
73 ∀ h:H • h ∈ hs ⇒
73   let hσ = attr_HΣ(h) in
73   ∀ (l_{ui}i, l_{ui}i'):(L_UI × L_UI) • (l_{ui}i, l_{ui}i') ∈ hσ ⇒ {l_{ui}i, l_{ui}i'} ⊆ l_{ui}S end ■

```

You may skip Example 60 in a first reading.

#### Example 60 Road Transport – Further Attributes.

##### Links:

We show just a few attributes.

- 74 There is a link state. It is a set of pairs,  $(h_f, h_t)$ , of distinct hub identifiers, where these hub identifiers are in the mereology of the link. The meaning of a link state in which  $(h_f, h_t)$  is an element is that the link is open, “green”, for traffic from hub  $h_f$  to hub  $h_t$ . Link states can have either 0, 1 or 2 elements.

- 75 There is a link state space. It is a set of link states. The meaning of the link state space is that its states are all those which the link can attain. The current link state must be in its state space. If a link state space is empty then the link is closed. If it has one element then it is a one-way link. If a one-way link,  $l$ , is imminent on a hub whose mereology designates that link, then the link is a “trap”, i.e., a “blind cul-de-sac”.
- 76 Since we can think rationally about it, it can be described, hence it can model, as an attribute of links, a history of its traffic: the recording, per unique automobile identifier, of the time ordered positions along the link (from one hub to the next) of these vehicles.
- 77 The hub identifiers of link states must be in the set,  $h_{ui}s$ , of the road net’s hub identifiers.

**type**

74  $L\Sigma = (H\_UI \times H\_UI)\text{-set}$

75  $L\Omega = L\Sigma\text{-set}$

76  $L\_Traffic$

76  $L\_Traffic = A\_UI \multimap (\mathbb{T} \times (H\_UI \times \text{Frac} \times H\_UI))^*$

76  $\text{Frac} = \text{Real}$ , axiom  $\text{frac}:\text{Frac} \cdot 0 < \text{frac} < 1$

**value**

74  $\text{attr\_}L\Sigma: L \rightarrow L\Sigma$

75  $\text{attr\_}L\Omega: L \rightarrow L\Omega$

76  $\text{attr\_}L\_Traffic: : \rightarrow L\_Traffic$

**axiom**

74  $\forall l\sigma:L\Sigma \cdot \text{card } l\sigma \leq 2$

74  $\forall l:L \cdot \text{obs\_}L\Sigma(l) \in \text{obs\_}L\Omega(l)$

76  $\forall lt:L\_Traffic, ui:A\_UI \cdot ui \in \text{dom } ht \Rightarrow \text{time\_ordered}(ht(ui))$

77  $\forall l:L \cdot l \in l\sigma \Rightarrow$

77 **let**  $l\sigma = \text{attr\_}L\Sigma(l)$  **in**  $\forall (h_{ui}i, h_{ui}i'):(H\_UI \times H\_UI) \cdot (h_{ui}i, h_{ui}i') \in l\sigma \Rightarrow \{h_{ui}i, h'_{ui}i\} \subseteq h_{ui}s$  **end**

**Automobiles:** We illustrate but a few attributes:

- 78 Automobiles have static number plate registration numbers.
- 79 Automobiles have dynamic positions on the road net:
- a either *at a hub* identified by some  $h_{ui}$ ,
  - b or *on a link*, some *fraction*,  $\text{frac}:\text{Frac}$  down an *identified link*,  $l_{ui}$ , from one of its *identified connecting hubs*,  $fh_{ui}$ , in the direction of the other *identified hub*,  $th_{ui}$ .
  - c Fraction is a real properly between 0 and 1.

**type**

78  $\text{RegNo}$

79  $\text{APos} == \text{atHub} \mid \text{onLink}$

79a  $\text{atHub} :: h_{ui}:H\_UI$

79b  $\text{onLink} :: fh_{ui}:H\_UI \times l_{ui}:L\_UI \times \text{frac}:\text{Frac} \times th_{ui}:H\_UI$

79c  $\text{Frac} = \text{Real}$

**axiom**

79c  $\text{frac}:\text{Frac} \cdot 0 < \text{frac} < 1$

**value**

78  $\text{attr\_RegNo}: A \rightarrow \text{RegNo}$

79  $\text{attr\_APos}: A \rightarrow \text{APos}$

Obvious attributes that are not illustrated are those of velocity and acceleration, forward or backward movement, turning right, left or going straight, etc. The *acceleration*, *deceleration*, *even velocity*, or *turning right*, *turning left*, *moving straight*, or *forward* or *backward* are seen as *command actions*. As such they denote actions by the automobile — such as pressing the accelerator, or lifting accelerator pressure or *braking*, or *turning the wheel* in one direction or another, etc. As actions they have a kind of counterpart in the velocity, the acceleration,

etc. attributes. In Items 72 Pg. 73 and 76 Pg. 74, we illustrated an aspect of domain analysis & description that may seem, and at least some decades ago would have seemed, strange: namely that if we can think, hence speak, about it, then we can model it “as a fact” in the domain. The case in point is that we include among hub and link attributes their histories of the timed whereabouts of automobiles<sup>79</sup>.

#### 5.4.2.5 Calculating Attribute Category Type Names

One can calculate sets of all attribute type names, of static, monitorable and programmable attribute types of parts and fluids with the following *domain analysis prompts*:

- `determine_attr_names`,
- `sta_attr_types`,
- `mon_attr_types`, and
- `pro_attr_types`.

`determine_attr_type_names` applies to parts and yields a set of all attribute names of that part. `sta_attr_types` applies to parts and yields a set of attribute names of *static* attributes of that part.<sup>80</sup> `mon_attr_types` applies to parts and yields a set of attribute names of *monitorable* attributes of that part. `pro_attr_types` applies to parts and yields a set of attribute names of *programmable* attributes of that part.

##### Observer Function Prompt 4 `determine_attr_type_names`:

```
value
  determine_attr_type_names: P →  $\eta A$ -set
  determine_attr_type_names(p) as { $\eta A1, \eta A, \dots, \eta Am$ }
```

##### Observer Function Prompt 5 `sta_attr_type_names`:

```
value
  sta_attr_type_names: P →  $\eta A \times \eta A \times \dots \times \eta A$ 
  sta_attr_type_names(p) as ( $\eta A1, \eta A2, \dots, \eta An$ )
  where: { $\eta A1, \eta A2, \dots, \eta An$ } ⊆ determine_attr_type_names(p)
         ∧ let anms = determine_attribute_type_names(p)
           ∨ anm:  $\eta A$  • anm ∈ anms \ { $\eta A1, \eta A2, \dots, \eta An$ }
           ⇒ ~ is_static_attribute{anm}
         ∧ ∨ anm:  $\eta A$  • anm ∈ { $\eta A1, \eta A2, \dots, \eta An$ }
           ⇒ is_static_attribute{anm} end
```

##### Observer Function Prompt 6 `mon_attr_type_names`:

```
value
  mon_attr_type_names: P →  $\eta A \times \eta A \times \dots \times \eta A$ 
  mon_attr_type_names(p) as ( $\eta A1, \eta A2, \dots, \eta An$ )
```

<sup>79</sup> In this day and age of road cameras and satellite surveillance these traffic recordings may not appear so strange: We now know, at least in principle, of technologies that can record approximations to the hub and link traffic attributes.

<sup>80</sup>  $\eta A$  is the type of all attribute types.

```

where: { $\eta A_1, \eta A_2, \dots, \eta A_n$ }  $\subseteq$  determine_attr_type_names( $p$ )
 $\wedge$  let anms = determine_attribute_type_names( $p$ )
     $\forall$  anm: $\eta A \cdot$  anm  $\in$  anms  $\setminus$  { $\eta A_1, \eta A_2, \dots, \eta A_n$ }
     $\Rightarrow \sim$  is_monitorable_attribute{anm}
 $\wedge \forall$  anm: $\eta A \cdot$  anm  $\in$  { $\eta A_1, \eta A_2, \dots, \eta A_n$ }
     $\Rightarrow$  is_monitorable_attribute{anm} end

```

#### Observer Function Prompt 7 **pro\_attr\_type\_names:**

**value**

```

pro_attr_type_names:  $P \rightarrow \eta A \times \eta A \times \dots \times \eta A$ 
pro_attr_type_names( $p$ ) as ( $\eta A_1, \eta A_2, \dots, \eta A_n$ )
  where: { $\eta A_1, \eta A_2, \dots, \eta A_n$ }  $\subseteq$  determine_attr_type_names( $p$ )
   $\wedge$  let anms = determine_attribute_type_names( $p$ )
     $\forall$  anm: $\eta A \cdot$  anm  $\in$  anms  $\setminus$  { $\eta A_1, \eta A_2, \dots, \eta A_n$ }
     $\Rightarrow \sim$  is_monitorable_attribute{anm}
   $\wedge \forall$  anm: $\eta A \cdot$  anm  $\in$  { $\eta A_1, \eta A_2, \dots, \eta A_n$ }
     $\Rightarrow$  is_monitorable_attribute{anm} end

```

Some comments are in order. The analyse\_attribute\_type\_names function is, as throughout, meta-linguistic, that is, informal, not-computable, but decidable by the domain modeller. Applying it to a part or fluid yields, at the discretion of the domain modeller, a set of attribute type names “freely” chosen by the domain modeller. The sta\_attr\_type\_names, the mon\_attr\_type\_names, and the pro\_attr\_type\_names functions are likewise meta-linguistic; their definition here relies on the likewise meta-linguistic is\_static, is\_monitorable and is\_programmable analysis predicates.

#### 5.4.2.6 Calculating Attribute Values

Let ( $\eta A_1, \eta A_2, \dots, \eta A_n$ ) be a grouping of attribute types for part  $p$  (or fluid  $f$ ). Then (attr\_A1( $p$ ), attr\_A2( $p$ ), ..., attr\_An( $p$ )) (respectively  $f$ ) yields ( $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ ), the grouping of values for these attribute types.

We can “formalise” this conversion:

**value**

```

types_to_values:  $\eta A_1 \times \eta A_2 \times \dots \times \eta A_n \rightarrow A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_n$ 

```

#### 5.4.3 Operations on Monitorable Attributes of Parts

We remind the reader of the notions of states in general, Sect. 4.7 and of updateable states, Sect. 4.7.2 on page 53 in specific. For every domain description there is possibly an updateable state. There is such a state if there is at least one part with at least one monitorable attribute. Below, as in Sect. 4.7.2, we refer to the updateable states as  $\sigma$ .

Given a part,  $p$ , with attribute  $A$ , the simple operation attr\_A( $p$ ) thus yields the value of attribute  $A$  for that part. But what if, if what we have is just the global state  $\sigma$  of the set of all monitorable parts of a given universe-of-discourse, uod, the unique identifier, uid\_P( $p$ ), of a part of  $\sigma$ , and the name,  $\eta A$ , of an attribute of  $p$ ? Then how do we ascertain the attribute value for  $A$  of  $p$ , and,



for *biddable* attributes  $A$ , “update”  $p$ , in  $\sigma$ , to some  $A$  value? Here is how we express these two issues.

#### 5.4.3.1 Evaluation of Monitorable Attributes

- 80 Let  $pi:PI$  be the unique identifier of any part,  $p$ , with monitorable attributes, let  $A$  be a monitorable attribute of  $p$ , and let  $\eta A$  be the name of attribute  $A$ .  
 81 Evaluation of the [current] attribute  $A$  value of  $p$  is defined by function  $read\_A\_from\_P - retr\_part(pi)$  is defined in Sect. 5.2.4.1 on page 64.

**value**

80.  $pi:PI, a:A, \eta A:\eta T$   
 81.  $read\_A\_from\_P: PI \times T \rightarrow read\ \sigma$   
 81.  $read\_A(pi, \eta A) \equiv attr\_A(retr\_part(pi))$

#### 5.4.3.2 Update of Biddable Attributes

- 82 The update of a monitorable attribute  $A$ , with attribute name  $\eta A$  of part  $p$ , identified by  $pi$ , to a new value **writes** to the global part state  $\sigma$ .  
 83 Part  $p$  is retrieved from the global state.  
 84 A new part,  $p'$  is formed such that  $p'$  is like part  $p$ :  
     a same unique identifier,  
     b same mereology,  
     c same attributes values,  
     d except for  $A$ .  
 85 That new  $p'$  replaces  $p$  in  $\sigma$ .

**value**

80.  $\sigma, a:A, pi:PI, \eta A:\eta T$   
 82.  $update\_P\_with\_A: PI \times A \times \eta T \rightarrow write\ \sigma$   
 82.  $update\_P\_with\_A(pi, a, \eta A) \equiv$   
 83.     **let**  $p = retr\_part(pi)$  **in**  
 84.     **let**  $p':P \bullet$   
 84a.          $uid\_P(p')=pi$   
 84b.          $\wedge mereo\_P(p)=mereo\_P(p')$   
 84c.          $\wedge \forall \eta A' \in analyse\_attribute\_type\_names(p) \setminus \{\eta A\} \Rightarrow attr\_A'(p)=attr\_A'(p')$   
 84d.          $\wedge attr\_A(p')=a$  **in**  
 85.      $\sigma := \sigma \setminus \{p\} \cup \{p'\}$   
 82.     **end end**

#### 5.4.3.3 Stationary and Mobile Attributes

Endurants are either **stationary** or **mobile**.<sup>81</sup>

**Definition 78 Stationary.** An endurant is said to be stationary if it never moves. ■

<sup>81</sup> This section was added on Sept. 17, 2022!

Being stationary is a static attribute.

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 17 `is_stationary`:** The method provides the *domain analysis prompt*:

- `is_stationary` – where `is_stationary(e)` holds if  $e$  is to be considered stationary. ■

**Example 61 Stationary Endurants.** Examples of stationary endurants could be: (i) road hubs and links; (ii) container terminal stacks; (iii) pipeline units; and (iv) sea, lake and river beds. ■

**Definition 79 Mobile.** An endurant is said to be mobile if it is capable of being moved – whether by its own volition, or otherwise. ■

Being mobile is a static attribute.

**Analysis Predicate Prompt 18 `is_mobile`:** The method provides the *domain analysis prompt*:

- `is_mobile` – where `is_mobile(e)` holds if  $e$  is to be considered mobile. ■

**Example 62 Mobile Endurants.** Examples of mobile endurants are: (i) automobiles; (ii) container terminal vessels, containers, cranes and trucks; (iii) pipeline oil (or gas, or water, ...); (iv) sea, lake and river water. ■

Being stationary or mobile is an attribute of any manifest endurant. For every manifest endurant,  $e$ , it is the case that  $\text{is\_stationary}(e) \equiv \sim \text{is\_mobile}(e)$ .

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Being stationary or, vice-versa, being mobile is often **tacitly assumed**. Having external or internal qualities of a certain kind is often also tacitly assumed. A major point of the domain analysis & description approach, of this primer, is to help the domain modeller – the domain engineer cum researcher – to unveil as many, if not all, these qualities. **Tacit understanding** would not be a common problem was it not for us to practice it “excessively”!

#### 5.4.4 Physics Attributes

In this section we shall muse about the kind of attributes that are typical of natural parts, but which may also be relevant as attributes of artefacts.

Typically, when physicists write computer programs, intended for calculating physics behaviours, they “lump” all of these into the **type Real**, thereby hiding some important physics ‘dimensions’. In this section we shall review that which is missing!

The subject of physical dimensions in programming languages is rather decisively treated in David Kennedy’s 1996 PhD Thesis [119] — so there really is no point in trying to cast new light on this subject other than to remind the reader of what these physical dimensions are all about.

## 5.4.4.1 SI: The International System of Quantities

In physics we operate on values of attributes of manifest, i.e., physical phenomena. The type of some of these attributes are recorded in well known tables, cf. Tables 5.1–5.3. Table 5.1 shows the base units of physics.

Base quantity	Name	Type
length	meter	m
mass	kilogram	kg
time	second	s
electric current	ampere	A
thermodynamic temperature	kelvin	K
amount of substance	mole	mol
luminous intensity	candela	cd

Table 5.1 Base SI Units

Table 5.2 shows the units of physics derived from the base units. Table 5.3 shows further units of

Name	Type	Derived Quantity	Derived Type
radian	rad	angle	m/m
steradian	sr	solid angle	m <sup>2</sup> ×m <sup>-2</sup>
Hertz	Hz	frequency	s <sup>-1</sup>
newton	N	force, weight	kg×m×s <sup>-2</sup>
pascal	Pa	pressure, stress	N/m <sup>2</sup>
joule	J	energy, work, heat	N×m
watt	W	power, radiant flux	J/s
coulomb	C	electric charge	s×A
volt	V	electromotive force	W/A (kg×m <sup>2</sup> ×s <sup>-3</sup> ×A <sup>-1</sup> )
farad	F	capacitance	C/V (kg <sup>-1</sup> ×m <sup>-2</sup> ×s <sup>4</sup> ×A <sup>2</sup> )
ohm	Ω	electrical resistance	V/A (kg×m <sup>2</sup> ×s <sup>3</sup> ×A <sup>2</sup> )
siemens	S	electrical conductance	A/V (kg <sup>-1</sup> ×m <sup>-2</sup> ×s <sup>3</sup> ×A <sup>2</sup> )
weber	Wb	magnetic flux	V×s (kg×m <sup>2</sup> ×s <sup>-2</sup> ×A <sup>-1</sup> )
tesla	T	magnetic flux density	Wb/m <sup>2</sup> (kg×s <sup>2</sup> ×A <sup>-1</sup> )
henry	H	inductance	Wb/A (kg×m <sup>2</sup> ×s <sup>-2</sup> ×A <sup>2</sup> )
degree Celsius	°C	temp. rel. to 273.15 K	K
lumen	lm	luminous flux	cd×sr (cd)
lux	lx	illuminance	lm/m <sup>2</sup> (m <sup>2</sup> ×cd)

Table 5.2 Derived SI Units

physics derived from the base units. *velocity* is speed with three dimensional direction and is, for example,

Name	Explanation	Derived Type
area	square meter	m <sup>2</sup>
volume	cubic meter	m <sup>3</sup>
speed	meter per second	m/s
wave number	reciprocal meter	m <sup>-1</sup>
mass density	kilogram per cubic meter	kg/m <sup>3</sup>
specific volume	cubic meter per kilogram	m <sup>3</sup> /kg
current density	ampere per square meter	A/m <sup>2</sup>
magnetic field strength	ampere per meter	A/m
substance concentration	mole per cubic meter	mol/m <sup>3</sup>
luminance	candela per square meter	cd/m <sup>2</sup>
mass fraction	kilogram per kilogram	kg/kg = 1

Table 5.3 Further SI Units

given as

- *velocity*, meter per second with direction:  $m/s$
- *acceleration*, meter per second squared,  $m/s^2$
- (*longitude, latitude, azimuth*) measured in radian:  $(r, r, r)$

Table 5.4 shows standard prefixes for SI units of measure and Tables 5.5 show fractions of SI units.

Prefix name	deca	hecto	kilo	mega	giga
Prefix symbol	da	h	k	M	G
Factor	$10^0$	$10^1$	$10^2$	$10^3$	$10^6$
Prefix name	tera	peta	exa	zetta	yotta
Prefix symbol	T	P	E	Z	Y
Factor	$10^{12}$	$10^{15}$	$10^{18}$	$10^{21}$	$10^{24}$

**Table 5.4** Standard Prefixes for SI Units of Measure

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Prefix symbol	T	P	E	Z	Y
Factor	$10^{12}$	$10^{15}$	$10^{18}$	$10^{21}$	$10^{24}$
Prefix name	deci	centi	milli	micro	nano
Prefix symbol	d	c	m	$\mu$	n
Factor	$10^0$	$10^{-1}$	$10^{-2}$	$10^{-3}$	$10^{-6}$
Prefix name	pico	femto	atto	zepto	yocto
Prefix symbol	p	f	a	z	y
Factor	$10^{-12}$	$10^{-15}$	$10^{-18}$	$10^{-21}$	$10^{-24}$

**Table 5.5** SI Units of Measure and Fractions

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The point in including this material is that when modelling, i.e., describing domains we must be extremely careful in not falling into the trap of modelling physics types, etc., as we do in programming – by simple **Reals**. We claim, without evidence, that many trivial programming mistakes are due to confusions between especially derived SI units, fractions and prefixes.

#### 5.4.4.2 Units are Indivisible

A volt,  $kg \times m^2 \times s^{-3} \times A^{-1}$ , see Table 5.2, is “indivisible”. It is not a composite structure of mass, length, time, and electric current – in some intricate relationship.

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Physical attributes may ascribe mass and volume to endurants. But they do not reveal the substance, i.e., the material from which the endurant is made. That is done by chemical attributes.

#### 5.4.4.3 Chemical Elements

The chemical elements are, to us, what makes up MATTER. The *mole*, mol, substance is about chemical molecules. A mole contains exactly  $6.02214076 \times 10^{23}$  (the Avogadro number) constituent particles, usually atoms, molecules, or ions – of the elements, cf. 'The Periodic Table', [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Periodic\\_table](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Periodic_table), cf. Fig. 5.3.

Periodic table of the elements

Legend:

- Alkali metals (Orange)
- Alkaline-earth metals (Yellow)
- Transition metals (Purple)
- Other metals (Pink)
- Other nonmetals (Light blue)
- Halogens (Green)
- Noble gases (Light blue)
- Rare-earth elements (21, 39, 57–71) and lanthanoid elements (57–71 only) (Light green)
- Actinoid elements (Light blue)

group	1	2											13	14	15	16	17	18
1	1 H	2 He																
2	3 Li	4 Be											5 B	6 C	7 N	8 O	9 F	10 Ne
3	11 Na	12 Mg											13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar
4	19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr
5	37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe
6	55 Cs	56 Ba	57 La	72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn
7	87 Fr	88 Ra	89 Ac	104 Rf	105 Db	106 Sg	107 Bh	108 Hs	109 Mt	110 Ds	111 Rg	112 Cn	113 Nh	114 Fl	115 Mc	116 Lv	117 Ts	118 Og

lanthanoid series	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71
	Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu

actinoid series	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	103
	Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr

\*Numbering system adopted by the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC).

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Fig. 5.3 Periodic Table

Any specific molecule is then a compound of two or more elements, for example, calciumphosphat:  $\text{Ca}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$ .

Moles bring substance to endurants. The physics attributes may ascribe weight and volume to endurants, but they do not explain what it is that gives weight, i.e., fills out the volume.

## 5.5 SPACE and TIME

The two concepts: **space** and **time** are not attributes of entities. In fact, they are not internal qualities of endurants. They are universal qualities of any world. As argued in Sect. 2.4.9, **SPACE** and **TIME** are unavoidable concepts of any world. But we can ascribe spatial attributes to any concrete, manifest endurant. And we can ascribe attributes to endurants that record temporal concepts.

### 5.5.1 SPACE

Space is just there. So we do not define an observer, `observe_space`. For us – bound to model mostly artefactual worlds on this earth – there is but one space. Although **SPACE**, as a type, could be thought of as defining more than one space we shall consider these to be isomorphic! **SPACE** is considered to consist of (an infinite number of) **POINTS**.

86 We can assume a point observer, `observe_POINT`, is a function which applies to endurants,  $e$ , and yield a point,  $pt : \text{POINT}$

86. `observe_POINT`:  $E \rightarrow \text{POINT}$

At which “point” of an endurant,  $e$ , `observe_POINT`( $e$ ), is applied, or which of the (infinitely) many points of an endurant  $E$ , `observe_POINT`( $e$ ), yields we leave up to the domain modeller to decide!

We suggest, besides `POINTS`, the following spatial attribute possibilities:

87 `EXTENT` as a dense set of `POINTS`;

88 `Volume`, of concrete type, for example,  $m^3$ , as the “volume” of an `EXTENT` such that

89 `SURFACES` as dense sets of `POINTS` have no volume, but an

90 `Area`, of concrete type, for example,  $m^2$ , as the “area” of a dense set of `POINTS`;

91 `LINE` as dense set of `POINTS` with no volume and no area, but

92 `Length`, of concrete type, for example,  $m$ .

For these we have that

93 the *intersection*,  $\cap$ , of two `EXTENT`s is an `EXTENT` of possibly nil `Volume`,

94 the intersection,  $\cap$ , of two `SURFACES` may be either a possibly nil `SURFACE` or a possibly nil `LINE`, or a combination of these.

95 the intersection,  $\cap$ , of two `LINE`s may be either a possibly nil `LINE` or a `POINT`.

Similarly we can define

96 the *union*,  $\cup$ , of two not-disjoint `EXTENT`s,

97 the *union*,  $\cup$ , of two not-disjoint `SURFACES`,

98 the *union*,  $\cup$ , and of two not-disjoint `LINE`s.

and:

99 the *[in]equality*,  $\neq, =$ , of pairs of `EXTENT`, pairs of `SURFACES`, and pairs of `LINE`s.

We invite the reader to first express the signatures for these operations, then their pre-conditions, and finally, being courageous, appropriate fragments of axiom systems. We leave it up to the reader to introduce, and hence define, functions that add, subtract, compare, etc., `EXTENT`s, `SURFACES`, `LINE`s, etc.

## 5.5.2 TIME

a moving image of eternity;  
the number of the movement in respect of the before and the after;  
the life of the soul in movement as it passes  
from one stage of act or experience to another;  
a present of things past: memory,  
a present of things present: sight,  
and a present of things future: expectations<sup>82</sup>

This thing all things devours:  
Birds, beasts, trees, flowers;  
Gnaws iron, bites steel,  
Grinds hard stones to meal;  
Slays king, ruins town,  
And beats high mountain down.<sup>83</sup>

<sup>82</sup> Quoted from [4, Cambridge Dictionary of Philosophy]

<sup>83</sup> J.R.R. Tolkien, *The Hobbit*

Concepts of time continue to fascinate philosophers and scientists [84, 126, 133, 137–142, 144, 161] and [86].

J.M.E. McTaggart (1908, [84, 126, 144]) discussed theories of time around the notions of “**A-series**”: with concepts like “past”, “present” and “future”, and “**B-series**”: has terms like “precede”, “simultaneous” and “follow”. Johan van Benthem [161] and Wayne D. Blizard [65] relates abstracted entities to spatial points and time. A recent computer programming-oriented treatment is given in [86, Mandrioli et al., 2013].

### 5.5.2.1 Time Motivated Philosophically

**Definition 80 Indefinite Time.** *We motivate, repeating from Sect. 2.4.9.2, the abstract notion of time as follows. Two different states must necessarily be ascribed different incompatible predicates. But how can we ensure so? Only if states stand in an asymmetric relation to one another. This state relation is also transitive. So that is an indispensable property of any world. By a transcendental deduction we say that primary entities exist in time. So every possible world must exist in time ■*

**Definition 81 Definite Time.** *By a definite time we shall understand an abstract representation of time such as for example year, month, day, hour, minute, second, et cetera ■*

**Example 63 Temporal Notions of Endurants.** *By temporal notions of endurants we mean time properties of endurants, usually modelled as attributes. Examples are: (i) the time stamped link traffic, cf. Item 76 on page 74 and (ii) the time stamped hub traffic, cf. Item 72 on page 73. ■*

### 5.5.2.2 Time Values

We shall not be concerned with any representation of time. That is, we leave it to the domain modeller to choose an own representation [86]. Similarly we shall not be concerned with any representation of time intervals.<sup>84</sup>

- 100 So there is an abstract type `Time`,
- 101 and an abstract type `TI`: Time Interval.
- 102 There is no `Time` origin, but there is a “zero” Time Interval.
- 103 One can add (subtract) a time interval to (from) a time and obtain a time.
- 104 One can add and subtract two time intervals and obtain a time interval – with subtraction respecting that the subtrahend is smaller than or equal to the minuend.
- 105 One can subtract a time from another time obtaining a time interval respecting that the subtrahend is smaller than or equal to the minuend.
- 106 One can multiply a time interval with a real and obtain a time interval.
- 107 One can compare two times and two time intervals.

<b>type</b>	104 $+, -: TI \times TI \rightarrow TI$
100 <code>T</code>	105 $-, -: T \times T \rightarrow TI$
101 <code>TI</code>	106 $*, -: TI \times Real \rightarrow TI$
<b>value</b>	107 $<, \leq, =, \neq, \geq, >: T \times T \rightarrow Bool$
102 $0: TI$	107 $<, \leq, =, \neq, \geq, >: TI \times TI \rightarrow Bool$
103 $+, -: T \times TI \rightarrow T$	<b>axiom</b>
	103 $\forall t: T \cdot t + 0 = t$

<sup>84</sup> – but point out, that although a definite time interval may be referred to by number of years, number of days (less than 365), number of hours (less than 24), number of minutes (less than 60) number of seconds (less than 60), et cetera, this is not a time, but a time interval.



### 5.5.2.3 Temporal Observers

108 We define the signature of the meta-physical time observer.

```

type
108 T
value
108 record_TIME(): Unit → T

```

The time recorder applies to nothing and yields a time. **record\_TIME()** can only occur in action, event and behavioural descriptions.

## 5.6 Intentional Pull

In the next section we shall encircle the ‘intention’ concept by extensively quoting from Kai Sørlander’s *Philosophy* [152–155].

*Intentionality*<sup>85</sup> “expresses” conceptual, abstract relations between otherwise, or seemingly unrelated entities.

### 5.6.1 Issues Leading Up to Intentionality

#### 5.6.1.1 Causality of Purpose

*“If there is to be the possibility of language and meaning then there must exist primary entities which are not entirely encapsulated within the physical conditions; that they are stable and can influence one another. This is only possible if such primary entities are subject to a supplementary causality directed at the future: a causality of purpose.”*

#### 5.6.1.2 Living Species

*“These primary entities are here called living species. What can be deduced about them ? They are characterised by causality of purpose: they have some form they can be developed to reach; and which they must be causally determined to maintain; this development and maintenance must occur in an exchange of matter with an environment. It must be possible that living species occur in one of two forms: one form which is characterised by development, form and exchange, and another form which, additionally, can be characterised by the ability of purposeful movements. The first we call plants, the second we call animals.”*

#### 5.6.1.3 Animate Entities

*“For an animal to purposefully move around there must be “additional conditions” for such self-movements to be in accordance with the principle of causality: they must have sensory organs sensing among others the immediate purpose of its movement; they must have means of motion so that it can move; and they must have instincts, incentives and feelings as causal conditions that what it senses can drive it to movements. And all of this in accordance with the laws of physics.”*

<sup>85</sup> The Oxford English Dictionary [123] characterises intentionality as follows: “the quality of mental states (e.g. thoughts, beliefs, desires, hopes) which consists in their being directed towards some object or state of affairs”.



#### 5.6.1.4 Animals

*“To possess these three kinds of “additional conditions”, these entities must be built from special units which have an inner relation to their function as a whole; Their purposefulness must be built into their physical building units, that is their genomes. That is, animals are built from genomes which give them the inner determination to such building blocks for instincts, incentives and feelings. Similar kinds of deduction can be carried out with respect to plants. Transcendentally one can deduce basic principles of evolution but not its details.”*

#### 5.6.1.5 Humans – Consciousness and Learning

*“The existence of animals is a necessary condition for there being language and meaning in any world. That there can be language means that animals are capable of developing language. And this must presuppose that animals can learn from their experience. To learn implies that animals can feel pleasure and distaste and can learn. One can therefore deduce that animals must possess such building blocks whose inner determination is a basis for learning and consciousness.”*

*“Animals with higher social interaction use signs, eventually develop a language. These languages adhere to the same system of defined concepts which are a prerequisite for any description of any world: namely the system that philosophy lays bare from a basis of transcendental deductions and the principle of contradiction and its implicit meaning theory. A human is an animal which has a language.”*

#### 5.6.1.6 Knowledge

*“Humans must be conscious of having knowledge of its concrete situation, and as such humans can have knowledge about what they feel and eventually that humans can know whether what they feel is true or false. Consequently humans can describe their situation correctly.”*

#### 5.6.1.7 Responsibility

*“In this way one can deduce that humans can thus have memory and hence can have responsibility, be responsible. Further deductions lead us into ethics.”*

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We shall not further develop the theme of *living species: plants and animals*, thus excluding, most notably *humans*, in this chapter. We claim that the present chapter, due to its foundation in Kai Sørlander’s Philosophy, provides a firm foundation within which we, or others, can further develop this theme: *analysis & description of living species*.

### 5.6.2 Intentionality

*Intentionality* as a philosophical concept is defined by the Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy<sup>86</sup> as “the power of minds to be about, to represent, or to stand for, things, properties and states of affairs.”

<sup>86</sup> Jacob, P. (Aug 31, 2010). *Intentionality*. Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy (<https://seop.illc.uva.nl/entries/intentionality/>) October 15, 2014, retrieved April 3, 2018.

### 5.6.2.1 Intentional Pull

Two or more artefactual parts of different sorts, but with overlapping sets of intents may exert an *intentional “pull”* on one another. This *intentional “pull”* may take many forms. Let  $p_x : X$  and  $p_y : Y$  be two parts of *different sorts*  $(X, Y)$ , and with *common intent*,  $\iota$ , of the same universe of discourse. *Manifestations* of these, their common intent, must somehow be *subject to constraints*, and these must be *expressed predicatively*.

**Example 64 Double Bookkeeping.** A classical example of intentional pull is found in double bookkeeping which states that every financial transaction has equal and opposite effects in at least two different accounts. It is used to satisfy the accounting equation: Assets = Liabilities + Equity. The intentional pull is then reflected in commensurate postings, for example: either in both debit and passive entries or in both credit and passive entries ■

When a compound artefact is modelled as put together with a number of distinct sort endurants then it does have an intentionality and the components’ individual intentionalities do, i.e., shall relate to that. The composite road transport system has intentionality of the road serving the automobile part, and the automobiles have the intent of being served by the roads, across “a divide”, and vice versa, the roads of serving the automobiles.

Natural endurants, for example, rivers, lakes, seas<sup>87</sup> and oceans become, in a way, artefacts when mankind use them for transport; natural gas becomes an artefact when drilled for, exploited and piped; and harbours make no sense without artefactual boats sailing on the natural water.

### 5.6.2.2 The Type Intent

This, perhaps vague, concept of intentionality has yet to be developed into something of a theory. Despite that this is yet to be done, we shall proceed to define an *intentionality analysis function*. First we postulate a set of **intent designators**. An *intent designator* is really a further undefined quantity. But let us, for the moment, think of them as simple character strings, that is, literals, for example “transport”, “eating”, “entertainment”, etc.

type Intent

### 5.6.2.3 Intentionalities

**Observer Function Prompt 8 `determine_intentionality`:** The domain analyser analyses an endurant as to the finite number of intents, zero or more, with which the analyser judges the endurant can be associated. The method provides the **`domain analysis prompt`**:

- `determine_intentionality` directs the domain analyser to observe a set of intents.

**value** `determine_intentionality(e) ≡ {i_1,i_2,...,i_n} ⊆ Intent`

**Example 65 Intentional Pull – Road Transport.** We simplify the link, hub and automobile histories – aiming at just showing an essence of the intentional pull concept.

<sup>87</sup> Seas are smaller than oceans and are usually located where the land and ocean meet. Typically, seas are partially enclosed by land. The Sargasso Sea is an exception. It is defined only by ocean currents [oceanservice.noaa.gov/facts/oceanorsea.html].

109 With links, hubs and automobiles we can associate history attributes.

- a Link history attributes are ordered lists of time-stamped entries; they record the presence of automobiles.
- b Hub history attributes are ordered lists of time-stamped entries; they record the presence of automobiles.
- c Automobile history attributes are ordered lists of time-stamped entries; time-stamped they record their visits to links and hubs.

type	value
109a. $\text{LHist} = \text{AI} \xrightarrow{\text{map}} \text{TIME}^*$	109a. $\text{attr\_LHist}: \text{L} \rightarrow \text{LHist}$
109b. $\text{HHist} = \text{AI} \xrightarrow{\text{map}} \text{TIME}^*$	109b. $\text{attr\_HHist}: \text{H} \rightarrow \text{HHist}$
109c. $\text{AHist} = (\text{L} \text{H}) \xrightarrow{\text{map}} \text{TIME}^*$	109c. $\text{attr\_AHist}: \text{A} \rightarrow \text{AHist}$

#### 5.6.2.4 Wellformedness of Event Histories

Some observations must be made with respect to the above modelling of time-stamped event histories.

- 110 Each  $\tau_\ell : \text{TIME}^*$  is an indefinite list. We have not expressed any criteria for the recording of events: *all the time, continuously* ! (?)
- 111 Each list of times,  $\tau_\ell : \text{TIME}^*$ , is here to be in decreasing, *continuous* order of times.
- 112 Time intervals from when an automobile enters a link (a hub) till it first time leaves that link (hub) must not overlap with other such time intervals for that automobile.
- 113 If an automobile leaves a link (a hub), at time  $\tau$ , then it may enter a hub (resp. a link) and then that must be at time  $\tau'$  where  $\tau'$  is some infinitesimal, sampling time interval, quantity larger than  $\tau$ . Again we refrain here from speculating on the issue of sampling !
- 114 Altogether, ensembles of link and hub event histories for any given automobile define routes that automobiles travel across the road net. Such routes must be in the set of routes defined by the road net.

As You can see, there is enough of interesting modelling issues to tackle !

#### 5.6.2.5 Formulation of an Intentional Pull

115 An *intentional pull* of any road transport system,  $rts$ , is then if:

- a for any automobile,  $a$ , of  $rts$ , on a link,  $\ell$  (hub,  $h$ ), at time  $\tau$ ,
- b then that link,  $\ell$ , (hub  $h$ ) “records” automobile  $a$  at that time.

116 and:

- c for any link,  $\ell$  (hub,  $h$ ) being visited by an automobile,  $a$ , at time  $\tau$ ,
- d then that automobile,  $a$ , is visiting that link,  $\ell$  (hub,  $h$ ), at that time.

**axiom**

- 115a.  $\forall a:A \cdot a \in as \Rightarrow$
- 115a.   **let**  $ahist = \text{attr\_AHist}(a)$  **in**
- 115a.    $\forall ui:(\text{L}|\text{H}) \cdot ui \in \text{dom } ahist \Rightarrow$
- 115b.    $\forall \tau:\text{TIME} \cdot \tau \in \text{elems } ahist(ui) \Rightarrow$
- 115b.    **let**  $hist = \text{is\_LI}(ui) \rightarrow \text{attr\_LHist}(\text{retr\_L}(ui))(\sigma),$
- 115b.     $\quad \quad \quad \rightarrow \text{attr\_HHist}(\text{retr\_H}(ui))(\sigma)$  **in**
- 115b.     $\tau \in \text{elems } hist(\text{uid\_A}(a))$  **end end**
- 116.    $\wedge$
- 116c.  $\forall u:(\text{L}|\text{H}) \cdot u \in \text{IsUhs} \Rightarrow$

```

116c.   let uhist = attr(L|H)Hist(u) in
116d.   ∀ ai:AI • ai ∈ dom uhist ⇒
116d.     ∀ τ:TIME • τ ∈ elems uhist(ai) ⇒
116d.       let ahist = attr_AHist(retr_A(ai))(σ) in
116d.         τ ∈ elems uhist(ai) end end

```

Please note, that *intents* are not [thought of as] attributes. We consider *intents* to be a fourth, a comprehensive internal quality of endurants. They, so to speak, govern relations between the three other internal quality of endurants: the unique identifiers, the mereologies and the attributes. That is, they predicate them, “arrange” their comprehensiveness. Much more should be said about intentionality. It is a truly, we believe, worthy research topic of its own ■

**Example 66 Aspects of Comprehensiveness of Internal Qualities.** Let us illustrate the issues “at play” here.

- Consider a road transport system uod.
  - ∞ Applying `analyse_intentionality(uod)` may yield the set {"transport", ...}.
- Consider a financial service industry, fss.
  - ∞ Applying `analyse_intentionality(fss)` may yield the set {"interest on deposit", ...}.
- Consider a health care system, hcs.
  - ∞ Applying `analyse_intentionality(hcs)` may yield the set {"cure diseases", ...}.

What these analyses of intentionality yield, with respect to expressing intentional pull, is entirely of the discretion of the domain analysis & description ■

We bring the above example, Example 66, to indicate, as the name of the example reveals, “Aspects of Comprehensiveness of Internal Qualities”. That the various components of artefactual systems relate in – further to be explored – ways. In this respect, performing domain analysis & description is not only an engineering pursuit, but also one of research. We leave it to the readers to pursue this research aspect of domain analysis & description.

### 5.6.3 Artefacts

Humans create artefacts – for a reason, to serve a purpose, that is, with **intent**. Artefacts are like parts. They satisfy the laws of physics – and serve a *purpose*, fulfill an *intent*.

### 5.6.4 Assignment of Attributes

So what can we deduce from the above, almost three pages?

The attributes of **natural parts** and **natural fluids** are generally of such concrete types – expressible as some **real** with a dimension<sup>88</sup> of the International System of Units: <https://physics.nist.gov/cuu/Units/units.html>. Attribute values usually enter into *differential equations* and *integrals*, that is, classical calculus.

The attributes of **humans**, besides those of parts, significantly include one of a usually non-empty set of *intents*. In directing the creation of artefacts humans create these with an intent.

<sup>88</sup> Basic units are *meter*, kilogram, second, Ampere, Kelvin, *mole*, and *candela*. Some derived units are: *Newton*:  $kg \times m \times s^{-2}$ , *Weber*:  $kg \times m^2 \times s^{-2} \times A^{-1}$ , etc.

**Example 67 Intentional Pull – General Transport.** These are examples of human intents: they create *roads* and *automobiles* with the intent of *transport*, they create *houses* with the intents of *living*, *offices*, *production*, etc., and they create *pipelines* with the intent of *oil* or *gas transport* ■

Human attribute values usually enter into *modal logic* expressions.

### 5.6.5 Galois Connections

Galois Theory was first developed by Évariste Galois [1811-1832] around 1830<sup>89</sup>. Galois theory emphasizes a notion of **Galois connections**. We refer to standard textbooks on Galois Theory, e.g., [159, 2009].

#### 5.6.5.1 Galois Theory: An Ultra-brief Characterisation

To us, an essence of Galois connections can be illustrated as follows:

- Let us observe<sup>90</sup> properties of a number of endurants, say in the form of attribute types.
- Let the function  $\mathcal{F}$  map sets of entities to the set of common attributes.
- Let the function  $\mathcal{G}$  map sets of attributes to sets of entities that all have these attributes.
- $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$  is a Galois Connection:
  - ∞ if, when including more entities, the common attributes remain the same or fewer, and
  - ∞ if when including more attributes, the set of entities remain the same or fewer.
  - ∞  $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$  is monotonously decreasing.

**Example 68 LEGO Blocks.** We<sup>91</sup> have

- There is a collection of LEGO™ blocks.
- From this collection,  $A$ , we identify the **red** square blocks,  $e$ .
- That is  $\mathcal{F}(A)$  is  $B = \{\text{attr\_Color}(e) = \text{red}, \text{attr\_Form}(e) = \text{square}\}$ .
- We now add all the **blue** square blocks.
- And obtain  $A'$ .
- Now the common properties are their **squareness**:  $\mathcal{F}(A')$  is  $B' = \{\text{attr\_Form}(e) = \text{square}\}$ .
- More blocks as argument to  $\mathcal{F}$  yields fewer or the same number of properties.
- The more entities we observe, the fewer common attributes they possess ■

**Example 69 Civil Engineering: Consultants and Contractors.** Less playful, perhaps more seriously, and certainly more relevant to our endeavour, is this next example.

- Let  $X$  be the set of civil engineering, i.e., building, consultants, i.e., those who, like architects and structural engineers, design buildings – of whatever kind.
- Let  $Y$  be the set of building contractors, i.e., those firms who actually implement those designs.
- Now a subset,  $X_{\text{bridges}}$  of  $X$ , contain exactly those consultants who specialise in the design of bridges, with a subset,  $Y_{\text{bridges}}$ , of  $Y$  capable of building bridges.
- If we change to a subset,  $X_{\text{bridges,tunnels}}$  of  $X$ , allowing the design of both bridges **and** tunnels, then we obtain a corresponding subset,  $Y_{\text{bridges,tunnels}}$ , of  $Y$ .

<sup>89</sup> en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Galois\_theory

<sup>90</sup> The following is an edited version of an explanation kindly provided by Asger Eir, e-mail, June 5, 2020 [55, 81, 82].

<sup>91</sup> The E-mail, June 5, 2020, from Asger Eir

- So when
  - ∞ we enlarge the number of properties from ‘bridges’ to ‘bridges and tunnels’,
  - ∞ we reduce, most likely, the number of contractors able to fulfill such properties,
  - ∞ and vice versa,
- then we have a Galois Connection<sup>92</sup>.

### 5.6.5.2 Galois Connections and Intentionality – A Possible Research Topic ?

We have a hunch<sup>93</sup> ! Namely that there are some sort of Galois Connections with respect to intentionality. We leave to the interested reader to pursue this line of inquiry.

### 5.6.6 Discovering Intentional Pulls

The analysis and description of a domain’s external qualities and the internal qualities of unique identifiers, mereologies and attributes can be pursued systematically – endurant sort by sort. Not so with the discovery of a domain’s possible intentional pulls. Basically “*what is going on*” here is that the domain modeller considers pairs, triples or more part “independent”<sup>94</sup> endurants and reflects on whether they stand in an *intentional pull* relation to one another. We refer to Sects. 5.6.2.2 – 5.6.2.3.

## 5.7 A Domain Discovery Procedure, II

We continue from Sect. 4.8.

### 5.7.1 The Process

We shall again emphasize some aspects of the domain analysis & description method. A **method procedure** is that of *exhaustively analyse & describe* all internal qualities of the domain under scrutiny. A **method technique** implied here is that sketched below. The **method tools** are here all the analysis and description prompts covered so far.

Please be reminded of *Discovery Schema 0*’s declaration, Page 53, of *Notice Board* variables (Page 53). In this section we collect (i) the *description of unique identifiers* of all parts of the state; (ii) the *description of mereologies* of all parts of the state; (iii) the *description of attributes* of all parts of the state; and (iv) the *description of possible intentional pulls*. (v) We finally gather these into the *discover\_internal\_endurant\_qualities* procedure.

#### Discovery Schema 2: An Internal Qualities Domain Modelling Process

```

value
  discover_uids: Unit → Unit
  discover_uids() ≡
    for ∀ v • v ∈ gen
      do txt := txt + [ type_name(v) ↦ txt(type_name(v)) ^ describe_unique_identifier(v) ] end

```

<sup>92</sup> This was, more formally, shown in Dr. Asger Eir’s PhD thesis [81].

<sup>93</sup> Hunch: a feeling or guess based on intuition rather than fact.

<sup>94</sup> By “independent” we shall here mean that these endurants are not ‘derived’ from one-another !

```

discover_mereologies: Unit → Unit
discover_mereologies() ≡
  for ∀ v • v ∈ gen
    do txt := txt + [ type_name(v) ↦ txt(type_name(v)) ⌢ describe_mereology(v) ] end
discover_attributes: Unit → Unit
discover_attributes() ≡
  for ∀ v • v ∈ gen
    do txt := txt + [ type_name(v) ↦ txt(type_name(v)) ⌢ describe_attributes(v) ] end
discover_intentional_pulls: Unit → Unit
discover_intentional_pulls() ≡
  for ∀ (v', v'') • {v', v''} ⊆ gen
    do txt := txt + [ type_name(v') ↦ txt(type_name(v')) ⌢ describe_intentional_pull() ]
      + [ type_name(v'') ↦ txt(type_name(v'')) ⌢ describe_intentional_pull() ] end
describe_intentional_pull: Unit → ...
describe_intentional_pull() ≡ ...

value
discover_internal_qualities: Unit → Unit
discover_internal_qualities() ≡
  discover_uids() ;
  axiom [ all parts have unique identifiers ]
  discover_mereologies() ;
  axiom [ all unique identifiers are mentioned in sum total of
    [ all mereologies and no isolated proper sets of parts ]
  discover_attributes() ;
  axiom [ sum total of all attributes span all parts of the state ]
  discover_intentional_pulls()

```

### 5.7.2 A Suggested Analysis & Description Approach, II

Figure 5.4 on the following page possibly hints at an analysis & description order in which not only the external qualities of endurants are analysed & described, but also their internal qualities of unique identifiers, mereologies and attributes.

In Sect. 4.8 on page 53 we were concerned with the analysis & description order of endurants. We now follow up on the issue of (in Sect. 4.5.1.3 on page 48) on how compounds are treated: namely as both a “root” parts and as a composite of two or more “sibling” parts and/or fluids. The taxonomy of the road transport system domain, cf. Fig. 4.3 on page 49 and Example 36 on page 45, thus gives rise to many different analysis & description traversals. Figure 5.4 on the next page illustrates one such order.

Again, it is up to the domain engineer cum scientist to decide. If the domain modeller decides to not endow a compound “root” with internal qualities, then an ‘internal qualities’ traversal will not have to neither analyse nor describe those qualities.

## 5.8 Summary

Please consider Fig. 4.1 on page 39. This chapter has covered the horizontal and vertical lines to the left in Fig. 4.1.

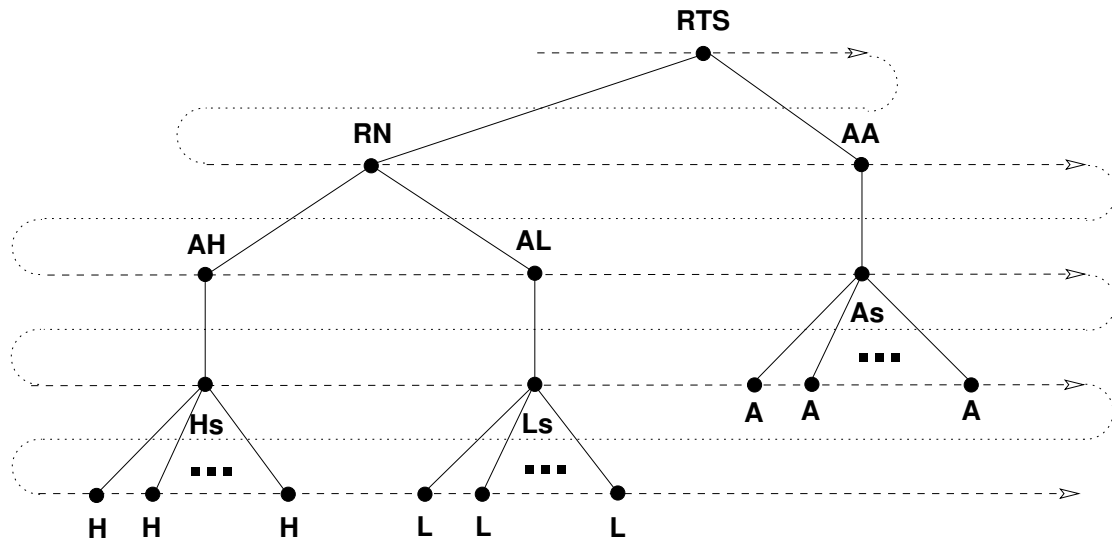


Fig. 5.4 A Breadth-First, Top-Down Traversal

### Internal Qualities Predicates and Functions: Method Tools

- **Analysis Predicates:**

As in Chapter 4 these predicates apply to endurants.

- **Attribute Analysis Predicates:**

The predicates apply to attribute values.

- **Analysis Functions:**

These functions yield appropriate values: unique identifiers and attribute type names.

- **Retrieval Function:**

This function is generic. It applies to a unique part identifier and yields the part identified.

- **Description Functions:**

There are three such functions: describing unique identifiers, mereologies and attributes.

- **Domain Discovery:**

The procedure here being described, informally, guides the domain analyser cum describer to do the job !

#	Name	Introduced
<b>Analysis Predicates</b>		
15	is_manifest	page 59
16	is_structure	page 60
<b>Attribute Analysis Predicates</b>		
1	is_static_attribute	page 71
2	is_dynamic_attribute	page 71
3	is_inert_attribute	page 71
4	is_reactive_attribute	page 71
5	is_active_attribute	page 71
6	is_autonomous_attribute	page 71
7	is_biddable_attribute	page 72
8	is_programmable_attribute	page 72
9	is_monitorable_only_attribute	page 72
<b>Analysis Functions</b>		
	calculate_all_unique_identifiers	page 62
4	analyse_attribute_types	page 75
5	sta_attr_types	page 75
6	mon_attr_types	page 75
7	pro_attr_types	page 76
<b>Retrieval, Read and Write Functions</b>		
	retr_part	page 64
81	read_A_from_P	page 77
82	update_P_with_A	page 77
<b>Description Functions</b>		
4	describe_unique_identifier	page 61
5	describe_mereology	page 65
6	describe_attributes	page 70
<b>Domain Discovery</b>		
	discover_uids	page 91
	discover_mereologies	page 91
	discover_attributes	page 91
	discover_internal_qualities	page 91



## Chapter 6

### Perdurants

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Please consider Fig. 4.1 on page 39. The previous two chapters covered the left of Fig. 4.1. This chapter covers the right of Fig. 4.1.

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This chapter is a rather “drastic” reformulation and simplification of [48, Chapter 7, i.e., pages 159–196]. Besides, Sect. 6.10 is new.

In this chapter we transcendently “morph” manifest **parts** into **behaviours**, that is: **endurants** into **perdurants**. We analyse that notion, *perdurants*, and its constituent notions of **actors**, **channels** and **communication**, **actions** and **events** and **behaviours**. We shall investigate the, as we shall call them, perdurants of domains. That is, state and time-evolving domain phenomena. The outcome of this chapter is that the reader will be able to model the perdurants

of domains. Not just for a particular domain instance, but a possibly indefinite set of domain instances<sup>95</sup>.

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In this chapter we shall analyse and describe *perdurants*, that is, the *entities* of domains for which only a fragment exists, in *space*, if we look at or touch them at any given snapshot in *time*.

This modelling will focus on the **actions**, **events** and **behaviours** of these perdurants and the means, here referred to as **channels**, by means of which the part behaviours interact.

On one hand there are the domain phenomena of perdurants. On the other hand there are means for analysing and describing these. The former are not formalized “before”, or as, we analyse and describe them. The latter, ‘the means’, are assumed formalized.

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The **structure of this chapter** need be explained. The chapter attempts to motivate and explain the “morphing” of endurant parts into perdurant behaviours. The endurant parts were analyzed and described in terms of RSL abstract types, i.e., sorts, and observers – of both external and internal qualities. The perdurant behaviours will be analyzed and described in terms of tail-recursive functions, their signatures and ‘body’ definitions – and their [“output/input”] interaction by means of CSP output/input clauses and channels. To arrive at these analyses and descriptions we “move” from general motivation and text on behaviours, their actions and events and their reliance on channels, to increasingly more specific such text. Hence the seeming “repetition” of treatments of behaviours, actions, events and channels.

Primary Modelling Tool, II

The tool with which we describe perdurants will be the **tail recursive function** and the **channel** concepts of the formal specification language RSL [90]. A special focus will be on the *signature* of the action and behaviour function definitions.

**Definition 82 Description, III.** By a **description** of the perdurants of a domain we shall mean pairs of informal, narrative, and formal text which characterises the behaviour interaction channels, actors, actions, events and behaviours, i.e., the signatures, invocation and Initialisation of manifest part behaviours ■

This chapter explains what is meant by *channel*, *actor*, *behaviour*, *action*, *event*, *signature*, *invocation* and *initialisation*.

## 6.1 **Parts and their Behaviours**

By transcendental deduction we “morph”<sup>96</sup> parts into behaviours. We refer to Sect. 2.1.2’s Example 2 on page 10.

### 6.1.1 **General Notions**

Parts are manifest entities of domains. Behaviours are likewise manifest entities of domains. Behaviours are domain notions. We shall express domain behaviours in terms of the RSL/CSP

<sup>95</sup> By this we mean: You are not just analysing a specific domain, say the one manifested around the corner from where you are, but any instance, anywhere in the world, which satisfies what you have described.

<sup>96</sup> Morph: change the form or character of ...

notions of *processes*. And we shall explain domain behaviours in terms of *domain actions*, *domain events*, and subsidiary, i.e., “embedded”, *domain behaviours*.

**Definition 83 Behaviour.** We define domain behaviours as sets of sequences of *domain actions*, *domain events* and [subsidiary] *domain behaviours* ■

**Definition 84 Actor.** An actor is anything that can invoke and sustain a behaviour, an action or an event ■

**Definition 85 Action.** Actions are planned, purposeful state changes ■

**Definition 86 Event.** Events are surreptitious state changes ■

*Domain actions* are expressed in terms of the [RSL] notion of language clauses which prescribe state changes. *Domain events* are expressed in terms of the CSP notion of language clauses which prescribe interaction between [CSP] processes. *Domain behaviours*, to repeat, are expressed in terms of CSP processes, more specifically in terms of *tail recursive* function definitions.

Thus there are two notions: the domain notions of *endurant* parts and *perdurant* actions, events and behaviours, and the description language, here RSL/CSP, notions of part descriptions and expressions and statements, i.e., possibly state-changing processes.

### 6.1.2 An Aside: Behaviours versus Processes

In programming, in general, and in CSP in specific, we use the term *process* to characterize the execution of a set of sequences of [program] statements and processes<sup>97</sup>.

**Definition 87 Process.** We define [computing] processes as sets of sequences of *state changes* (whether purposefully planned or accidental) ■

In domains we use the term *behaviour*, in contrast, to characterize the *conduct*, the [organization, as for endurants] and the *carrying out* of the *intentions* of a part.

### 6.1.3 Multiple, Communicating Behaviours

On the basis of Kai Sølender’s Philosophy [152–156] we can reason that there is an indefinite number of parts, that is, an indefinite number of [part] behaviours, hence an indefinite number of CSP processes.

We shall further reason that these [part] behaviours interact.

There is the possibility that parts have dynamic attributes. For dynamic attribute values to change there must be an ‘agent of change’. There is the possibility that two or more distinct parts interact. **Examples:** (i) *automobiles* enter and leave *hubs* and *links*; (ii) *retailers* deposit funds in *banks*; (iii) *container vessels* load and unload *containers* ■ The part pairs: (*automobile, hub*), (*automobile, link*), (*retailer, bank*) and (*container vessel, container*), are pairs of ‘agents of change’.

This reasoning, by transcendental deduction, leads us to conclude that these mutual interactions can be seen as channel communications in the sense of, for example, CSP.

<sup>97</sup> Yes, we do mean a recursive definition.

### 6.1.4 Domain Behaviours and Domain Actions

What do we mean by behaviours and actions. First of all we must emphasize, as in Sect. 6.1.2 on the previous page, that we are not dealing with domains, not with computing, with domain behaviours, not with computing processes. Domain parts are not computers.<sup>98</sup> Then we focus of the conduct of domain actions of domain behaviours.

Generally speaking a **domain action**, of a part, is either updating the state, i.e., the mereology or dynamic attributes of the part of which the action is intended. Part actions are seen as “atomic”, that is “taking no time” to “occur” — although they may be expressed in terms of *sub-actions*. We shall later elaborate on our notion of sub-actions.

**Examples** of domain actions are those of an automobile deciding (i-ii) to remain on a link or at a hub, (iii) to leave a hub entering a link, (iv) to leave a link entering a hub, (v) to leave the road net, i.e., “disappear” altogether. ■

Correspondingly, a **domain behaviour**, of a part, is either a sequence of one or more *domain actions* or an “alternative” set of either internally, non-deterministically chosen ( $\sqcap$ ) sequence of one or more *domain actions*, or externally, non-deterministically chosen ( $\sqcup$ ) sequence of one or more *domain actions*, or combinations thereof. By “alternative” set we mean that each element of the set is one of the internally or externally, non-deterministically chosen sequences of domain actions.

**Examples** of domain behaviours are those of (a) an automobile which internally, non-deterministically ( $\sqcap$ ) alternates between (i–v) above; or (b) a link which externally, non-deterministically ( $\sqcup$ ) alternates between (b.i) welcoming incoming automobiles, (b.ii) accepting that automobiles remain on the link, (b.iii) “saying good bye” to outgoing automobiles; or (c) a hub which externally, non-deterministically ( $\sqcup$ ) alternates between (c.i) welcoming incoming automobiles, (c.ii) accepting that automobiles remain at the hub, (c.iii) “saying good bye” to outgoing automobiles. ■

## 6.2 Channel Description

The CSP concept of *channel* is to be our way of expressing the “medium” in which behaviours interact. A channel is thus an abstract concept. Please do not think of it as a physical, an IT (information technology) device. As an abstract concept it is defined in terms of, roughly, the laws, the semantics, of CSP [106]. We write ‘roughly’ since the CSP we are speaking of, is “embedded” in RSL.

**Definition 88 Channels.** A channel is an abstract notion, not a physical “gadget”. A channel is anything that allows any two behaviours to interact: to synchronise and communicate, i.e., exchange information. ■

We simplify the general treatment of channel declarations. Basically all we can say, for any domain, is that any two distinct part behaviours may need to communicate. Therefore we declare a vector of channels indexed by sets of two distinct part identifiers.

Domain Description Prompt 7 **describe\_channels:**

value

describe\_channels: **Unit**  $\rightarrow$  RSL-Text

describer\_channels()  $\equiv$  “ **channel** { ch[ {ij,ik} ] | ij,ik:UI • {ij,ik}  $\subseteq$  uid <sub>$\sigma$</sub>   $\wedge$  ij  $\neq$  ik } M ”

<sup>98</sup> Yes, we exclude from the domains, for which we put forward the calculi of this paper, such parts which acts like general computing devices.

Initially we shall leave the type,  $M$ , of messages over channels further undefined. As we, laboriously, work through the definition of behaviours, we shall be able to make  $M$  precise.

### 6.3 Action and Event Description, I

For each [part] behaviour we identify the zero, one or more actions and events which that [part] behaviour initiates, respectively is subjected to. Actions, to recall, are planned, purposeful state changes. Events are surreptitious state changes. The actor, i.e., the [part] behaviour plan actions and await events.

#### Example 70 Road Transport – Actions.

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Automobile Actions:</b></li> <li>117 progress_around_hub,</li> <li>118 leave_hub_enter_link,</li> <li>119 disappears_from_road_net,</li> <li>120 progress_along_link,</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>121 idle_on_link<sup>99</sup> and</li> <li>122 leave_link_enter_hub.</li> <li>• <b>Hub Actions:</b> none!</li> <li>• <b>Link Actions:</b> none!</li> </ul> |
|--|---|

We omit a number of actions: `accelerate_auto`, `brake_auto`, etc.

We continue our treatment of actions in Sect. 6.5 on page 99.

### 6.4 Behaviour Signatures

Behaviours have to be described. Behaviour definitions are in the form of tail-recursive function definitions and are here expressed in RSL relying, very much, on its CSP component. The tail-recursion expresses that the behaviour goes on, potentially “forever”! Behaviour definitions describe the type of the arguments that the function, i.e., the behaviour, accepts.

Thus there are two elements to a behaviour definition: the behaviour *signature* and the behaviour *body* definitions.

Behaviour signatures indicate that behaviours evolve around the internal qualities of the part from which the behaviour is transcendently deduced, and the interaction with other [part] behaviours. Thus there are basically two elements to behaviour signatures: The unique identifier, mereology and attributes element, and the element of channel interface to potentially interacting other behaviours.

**Definition 89 Signature.** A signature is something that is associated with any behaviour and, hence, action. A signature consists of two parts: a name for the behaviour or action; and a function type expression, the latter is typically of the form  $A \rightarrow B$ , where  $A$  is the type of the behaviour or action input [arguments], and  $B$  is the type of the behaviour or action output, i.e., result ■

#### 6.4.1 Domain Behaviour Signatures

The next **perdurant description functions** are those of the description of the [part] behaviour and [part] action signatures.

<sup>99</sup> We do not consider automobiles idling in hubs.

We shall develop a variety of possible behaviour and action signatures. From a very simple to a full-fledged “traditional” signatures.

In all cases the [part] behaviour (and [part] action) definitions — such as we have chosen them — evolve around the part “*from which they are transcendently deduced*”, and the interaction with other [part] behaviours, what else could there be?

We shall illustrate two kinds of signatures: simple part argument signatures which imply that the behaviour so-to-speak “carries” the whole part “with it”; and internal quality argument signatures which imply that the behaviour, in the conventional manner of program procedure definitions has a number of internal quality constant, or variable, or reference arguments.

#### 6.4.1.1 Part Argument Behaviour Signatures

The simplest behaviour signature expresses that the behaviour, as a function definition, takes a part, of the sort for which the behaviour is defined. For each manifest part sort one behaviour definition.

**Domain Description Prompt 8** `describe_behaviour_signature, I:`  
**value** `b: P → channels Unit`

`b` is an arbitrarily chosen name for behaviours based on parts of sort `P`. `channels` is an expression of channels based on the mereology of `P`. **Unit** designates the value `()`, i.e., a state-to-state function.

**Example 71 Signature.** A schematic example:

**value**  
`automobile: a:A → out {ch[ai,ri]|ai:A!ai=uid_A(a)∧ri:(H|LI)•ri ∈ hisUlis} ■`

#### 6.4.1.2 Internal Quality Argument Behaviour Signatures

The internal quality argument behaviour signature “unfolds” the internal part qualities into separate arguments: together these arguments “substitute” for the simple behaviour and action part argument.

The internal quality arguments are: the unique part identifier, the part mereology, the static attributes argument, the monitorable attribute names argument, and the programmable attributes argument. The signature furthermore names the behaviour, the channels, and the state-to-state function designator **Unit**.

A schematic form of part (*p*) behaviour signatures is:

**Domain Description Prompt 9** `describe_behaviour_signature, II:`  
**value** `b: bi:BI→me:Mer→svl:StaV*→mvl:MonV*→prgl:PrgV* channels Unit`

We shall motivate the general form of part behaviour, *B*, signatures, “step-by-step”:

- $\alpha$ .  $b$  the [chosen] name of part  $p$  behaviours.
- $\beta$ .  $U \rightarrow V \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow W \rightarrow Z$ : The function signature is expressed in the Schönfinkel/Curry<sup>100</sup> style – corresponding to the invocation form  $F(u)(v)\dots(w)$
- $\gamma$ .  $bi:Bl$ : a general value and the type of part  $p$  unique identifier
- $\delta$ .  $me:Mer$ : a general value and the type of part  $p$  mereology
- $\epsilon$ .  $svl:StaV^*$ : a general (possibly empty) list of values and types of part  $p$ 's (possibly empty) list of static attributes
- $\zeta$ .  $mvl:MonV^*$ : a general list of names of types of part  $p$ 's (possibly empty) list of monitorable attributes
- $\eta$ .  $prgl:PrgV^*$ : a general list of values and types of part  $p$ 's (possibly empty) list of programmable attributes
- $\theta$ .  $channels$ : are usually of the form:  $\{ch[\{i,j\}]\mid (i,j)\in I(me)\}$  and express the subset of channels over which behaviour  $Bs$  interact with other behaviors
- $\iota$ . **Unit**: designates the single value,  $()$ , **Unit**

In detail:

- $\alpha$ . **Behaviour name**: In each domain description there are many sorts,  $B$ , of parts. For each sort there is a generic behaviour, whose name, here  $b$ , is chosen to suitably reflect  $B$ .
- $\beta$ . **Currying** is here used in the pragmatic sense of grouping “same kind of arguments”, i.e., separating these from one-another, by means of the  $\rightarrow$ s.
- $\gamma$ . The **unique identifier** of part sort  $B$  is here chosen to be  $Bl$ . Its value is a constant.
- $\delta$ . The **mereology** is a usually constant. For same part sorts it may be a variable.

**Example 72 Variable Mereologies.** For a road transport system where we focus on the transport the mereology is a constant. For a road net where we focus on the development of the road net: building new roads: inserting and removing hubs and links, the mereology is a variable. Similar remarks apply to canal systems [www.imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/2021/Graphs/Rivers-and-Canals.pdf](http://www.imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/2021/Graphs/Rivers-and-Canals.pdf), pipeline systems [35], container terminals [43], assembly line systems [47], etc. ■

- $\epsilon$ . **Static attribute values** are constants. The use of static attribute values in behaviour body definitions is expressed by an identifier of the  $svl$  list of identifiers.
- $\zeta$ . **Monitorable attribute values** are generally, ascertainable, i.e., readable, cf. Sect. 5.4.3.1 on page 77. Some are *biddable*, can be changed by  $a$ , or the behaviour, cf. Sect. 5.4.3.2 on Page 77, but there is no guarantee, as for programmable attributes, that they remain fixed. The use of  $a[ny]$  monitorable attribute value in behaviour body definitions is expressed by a  $read\_A\_from\_P(mv,bi)$  where  $mv$  is an identifier of the  $mvl$  list of identifiers and  $bi$  is the unique part identifier of the behaviour definition in which the *read* occurs. The update of a biddable attribute value in behaviour body definitions is expressed by a  $update\_P\_with\_A(bi,mv,a)$ .
- $\eta$ . **Programmable attribute values** are just that. They vary as specified, i.e., “programmed”, by the behaviour body definition. Tail-recursive invocations of behaviour  $B_i$  “replace” relevant programmable attribute argument list elements with “new” values.
- $\theta$ . **channels**:  $I(me)$  expresses a set of unique part identifiers different from  $bi$ , hence of behaviours, with which behaviour  $b(i)$  interacts.
- $\iota$ . The **Unit** of the behaviour signature is a short-hand for the behaviour either **reading** the value of a monitorable attribute, hence global state  $\sigma$ , or performing a **write**, i.e., an *update*, on  $\sigma$ .

## 6.5 Action Signatures and General Form of Action Definitions

Actions come in basically one signature form, like for behaviours, cf. Sect. 6.4.1.2 on the facing page:

<sup>100</sup> Moses Schönfinkel (1888–1942) was a logician and mathematician accredited with having invented combinatory logic [[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Moses\\_Schönfinkel](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Moses_Schönfinkel)]. Haskell B. Curry (1900–1982) was a mathematician and logician known for his work in combinatory logic [[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Haskell\\_Curry](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Haskell_Curry)]



123 likewise determine every action of that [part] behaviour.

And the action definition, i.e., the “body”, is of the general form

124 first a description, **act**, of the action proper, one in which both the part mereology and the programmable attributes may be changed,

125 then the tail-recursive invocation of the possibly updated [part] behaviour.

#### Domain Description Prompt 10 **describe\_action:**

**value**

123. **action**:  $bi:BI \rightarrow mer:Mer \rightarrow svl:StaV^* \rightarrow mvl:MonV^* \rightarrow prgl:PrgV^*$  channels **Unit**

124. **act**:  $bi:BI \rightarrow mer:Mer \rightarrow svl:StaV^* \rightarrow mvl:MonV^* \rightarrow prgl:PrgV^*$  channels **Unit**

123. **action**(*bi*)(*mer*)(*svl*)(*mvl*)(*prgl*)  $\equiv$

124. **let** (*mer'*, *prgl'*) = **act**(*bi*)(*mer*)(*svl*)(*mvl*)(*prgl*) **in**

125. **behaviour**(*bi*)(*mer'*)(*svl*)(*mvl*)(*prgl'*) **end**

126 The act is of basically three forms:

- a either it is an “active” form in which it initiates an interaction with another behavior, *bj*,
- b or it is a “passive” form in which it awaits an interaction with another behavior, *bj*,
- c or it is neither, i.e., it is some simple RSL clause.

126. **act**: ... **ch**[ {*bi*, *bj*} ] ! **val** ...

126a. **act**: ... **let** *id* = **ch**[ {*bi*, *bj*} ] ? **in** ... **end** ...

126b. **act**: ...

#### Example 73 **Automobile, Hub and Link Signatures.**

127 automobile:

- a There is the usual “triplet” or arguments: unique identifier, mereology, static (...) and monitorable (...) attributes;
- b programmable attributes: automobile location and automobile history;
- c and channel references allowing communication between the automobile and the hub and link behaviours.

128 Similar for hubs and link behaviours.

**value**

127a **automobile**:  $ai:AI \rightarrow (\_uis):AM \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \dots$

127b  $\rightarrow (A\_Loc \times A\_Hist)$

127c **out** {**ch**[ {*ai*, *ui*} ] | *ui*: (*HI* | *LI*) • *ui*  $\in hisUlis$ } **Unit**

128a **hub**:  $hi:HI \rightarrow (lis, ais, rni):HM \rightarrow (H\Omega \times \dots) \rightarrow \dots$

128b  $\rightarrow (H\Sigma \times H\_Hist)$

128c **in** {**ch**[ {*hi*, *ui*} ] | *ui*: (*LI* | *HI* | *RNI*)-**set** • *ui*  $\in lisUhisUrni$ } **Unit**

128a **link**:  $li:LI \rightarrow (his, ais, rni):LM \rightarrow (LEN \times L\Omega \times \dots)$

128b  $\rightarrow (L\Sigma \times L\_Hist)$

128c **in** {**ch**[ {*li*, *ui*} ] | *ui*: (*LI* | *HI* | *RNI*)-**set** • *li*  $\in lisUhisUrni$ } **Unit**



## 6.6 Behaviour Invocation

**Definition 90 Invocation.** By action or behaviour, i.e., function, invocation we shall understand the act of initiating, invoking, that which is prescribed by the action or behaviour definition ■

The general form of behaviour invocation is shown below. The invocation follows the “Currying” of the behaviour type signature. [Normally one would write all this on one line:  $b(i)(m)(s)(m)(p).$ ]

```
behaviour
  (unique_identifier)
    (mereology)
      (static_values)
        (monitorable_attribute_names)
          (programmable_variables)
```

When first “invoked”, that is, transcendently deduced, i.e., “morphed”, from a manifest part,  $p$ , the invocation looks like:

**Domain Description Prompt 11** `describe_behaviour_signature, II:`

value

`describe_behaviour_signature: P → RSL-Text`

`describe_behaviour_signature(p) ≡`

“ behaviour:

`UId → Mereology → StaVL → MonVL → ProVL → channels Unit`

behaviour

`(uid_B(p))`

`(mereology_B(p))`

`(types_to_values(static_attribute_types(p)))`

`(mon_attribute_types(p))`

`(types_to_values(programmable_attribute_types(p)))`

`pre: is_manifest(p) ”`

`describe_behaviour_signatures: Unit → RSL-Text`

`describe_behaviour_signatures() ≡`

`{ describe_behaviour_signature(p) | p ∈ σ ∧ is_manifest(p) }`

## 6.7 Behaviour Definition Bodies

**Definition 91 Behaviour Definition.** By behaviour definition we shall understand the prescription of that characterises the behaviour ■

In general a behaviour alternates between a number,  $m$ , of actions,  $act\_action\_i$ , that either actively initiates interaction with other behaviours or do not engage in interactions, or a number,  $n$ , of actions,  $pas\_action\_j$ , that passively seek such interaction. The alternation between the former is **internal non-deterministic**,  $\sqcap$ , i.e., it is the behaviour that determines in which alternative to engage. The alternation between the latter is **external non-deterministic**,  $\sqcup$ , i.e., it is the behaviour that determines in which alternative to engage.

### 6.7.1 Behaviour Definition Schema I

In Schema I some lines designate non-deterministic actions, other deterministic actions.

```

value
  b(bi)(me)(svl)(mvl)(prl) ≡
    non-deterministic_action_1(bi)(me)(svl)(mvl)(prl)
    □ non-deterministic_action_2(bi)(me)(svl)(mvl)(prl)
    ...
    □ non-deterministic_action_n(bi)(me)(svl)(mvl)(prl)
    □ deterministic_action_1(bi)(me)(svl)(mvl)(prl)
    □ deterministic_action_2(bi)(me)(svl)(mvl)(prl)
    ...
    □ deterministic_action_d(bi)(me)(svl)(mvl)(prl)

```

### 6.7.2 Behaviour Definition Schema II

In Schema II we have made use of Domain Description Prompt 10's explication of action behaviours.

```

value
  b(bi)(me)(svl)(mvl)(prl) ≡
    let (me',prl') = non-deterministic_act_1(bi)(me)(svl)(mvl)(prl)
      □ non-deterministic_act_2(bi)(me)(svl)(mvl)(prl)
      ...
      □ non-deterministic_act_n(bi)(me)(svl)(mvl)(prl)
      □ deterministic_act_1(bi)(me)(svl)(mvl)(prl)
      □ deterministic_act_2(bi)(me)(svl)(mvl)(prl)
      ...
      □ deterministic_act_d(bi)(me)(svl)(mvl)(prl) in
    b(bi)(me')(svl)(mvl)(prl') end

```

### 6.7.3 Describe Behaviour Definition Bodies

In other words, for current lack of a more definitive methodology for “describing” the bodies of behaviour definitions we resort to “...”!

**Domain Description Prompt 12** `describe_behaviour_definition[s]:`

```

value
  describe_behaviour_definition: P → RSL-Text
  describe_behaviour_definition(p) ≡ [Scheme I or Schema II]

  describe_behaviour_definitions: Unit → RSL-Text
  describe_behaviour_definitions() ≡
    { describe_behaviour_definition(p) | p ∈ σ ∧ is_manifest(p) }

```

## 6.8 Behaviour, Action and Event Examples

**Example 74 Automobile Behaviour.** We remind the reader of the main, running example of this primer, the of the road transport system Example<sup>101</sup>.

### Definitions: Automobile at a Hub

129 We abstract automobile behaviour at a Hub (hi).

130 Internally non-deterministically, an automobile

131 either progresses around the hub

132 or leaves the hub to enter a link.

```

129 automobile(ai)(aai,uis)(...)(apos:atH(fli,hi,tli),ahist) ≡
131,117   automobile_progress_around_hub(ai)(aai,uis)(...)(apos:atH(fli,hi,tli),ahist)
130       □
132,118   automobile_leave_hub_enter_link(ai)(aai,uis)(...)(apos:atH(fli,hi,tli),ahist)

```

133 [117] The automobile progresses around the hub:

- a the automobile at that hub,
- b informing (“first”) the hub behaviour.

```

133,117 automobile_progress_around_hub(ai)(aai,uis)(...)(atH(fli,hi,tli),ahist) ≡
133   let τ = record_TIME() in
133b   ch[ai,hi] ! τ ;
133a   automobile(ai)(aai,uis)(...)(atH(fli,hi,tli),upd_hist(τ,hi)(ahist))
133   end

```

133a  $\text{upd\_hist}: (\text{TIME} \times \text{UI}) \rightarrow (\text{AHist} \rightarrow \text{AHist}) | (\text{HHist} \rightarrow \text{HHist}) | (\text{LHist} \rightarrow \text{LHist})$

133a  $\text{upd\_hist}(\tau, \text{ui})(\text{hist}) \equiv \text{hist} \uparrow [\text{ui} \mapsto \langle \tau \rangle \text{hist}(\text{ui})]$

134 The automobile leaves the hub entering a link:

- a tli, whose “next” hub, identified by thi, is obtained from the mereology of the link identified by tli;
- b informs the hub it is leaving and the link it is entering,
- c “whereupon” the vehicle resumes (i.e., “while at the same time” resuming) the vehicle behaviour positioned at the very beginning (0) of that link.

```

134 automobile_leave_hub_enter_link(ai)(aai,uis)(...)(apos:atH(fli,hi,tli),ahist) ≡
134a   (let ({fhi,thi},ais) = mereo.L(retr.L(tli)(σ)) in assert: fhi=hi
134b   ( ch[ai,hi] ! τ || ch[ai,tli] ! τ ) ;
134c   automobile(ai)(aai,uis)(...)(onL(tli,(hi,thi),0),upd_hist(τ,tli)(upd_hist(τ,hi)(ahist))) end

```

135 [119] Or the automobile “disappears — off the radar” !

```

135,119 automobile_stop(ai)(aai,uis)(...)(apos:atH(fli,hi,tli),ahist) ≡ stop

```

<sup>101</sup> That is, examples 28 on page 37, 35 on page 43, 36 on page 45, 37 on page 47, 39 on page 48, 42 on page 60, 43 on page 62, 45 on page 63, 46 on page 63, 47 on page 65, 48 on page 66, 58 on page 73, 59 on page 73, 60 on page 73, and 65 on page 86.

Similar behaviour definitions can be given for *automobiles on a link*, for *links* and for *hubs*. Together they must reflect, amongst other things: the time continuity of automobile flow, that automobiles follow routes, that automobiles, links and hubs together adhere to the intentional pull expressed earlier, et cetera. A specification of these aspects must be proved to adhere to these properties.

## 6.9 Domain [Behaviour] Initialisation

**Definition 92 Domain Initialisation.** By behaviour initialisation we shall understand the [initial] invocation of all part behaviours ■

For every manifest part sort there is a single description: signature and definition (i.e., its syntax). For every manifest part there is a behaviour (i.e., its semantics “realization”). For the total of all manifest domain parts there is their initialization: the parallel “execution” of the behaviour of each manifest part, properly initialized.

**Domain Description Prompt 13** `describe_domain_initialisation:`

```
“ || { b
    (uid_P(p))
    (mereo_P(p))
    analyse_static_attribute_type_names_Cartesian(p)
    analyse_monitorable_attribute_type_names_Cartesian(p)
    analyse_programmable_attribute_type_names_Cartesian(p)
    | p:P • p ∈ σ } ”
```

**Example 75 The Road Transport System Initialisation.** We “wrap up” the main example of this primer. We omit treatment of monitorable attributes.

136 Let us refer to the system initialisation as a behaviour.

137 All links are initialised,

138 all hubs are initialised,

139 all automobiles are initialised,

140 etc.

**value**

136. `rts_initialisation: Unit → Unit`

136. `rts_initialisation() ≡`

137. `|| { link(uid_L(l))(mereo_L(l))(attr_LEN(l),attr_LQ(l))(attr_LTraffic(l),attr_LS(l)) | l:L • l ∈ ls }`

138. `|| || { hub(uid_H(h))(mereo_H(h))(attr_HQ(h))(attr_HTraffic(h),attr_HS(h)) | h:H • h ∈ hs }`

139. `|| || { automobile(uid_A(a))(mereo_A(a))(attr_RegNo(a))(attr_APos(a)) | a:A • a ∈ as }`

140. `|| ...`

We have here omitted possible monitorable attributes. We refer to *ls*: Item 32 on page 52, *hs*: Item 33 on page 52, and *as*: Item 34 on page 52. ■

## 6.10 Discrete Dynamic Domains

Up till now our analysis & description of a domain, has, in a sense, been *static*: in analysing a domain we considered its entities to be of a definite number. In this section we shall consider the

case where the number of entities change: where new entities are *created* and existing entities are *destroyed*, that is: where new parts, and hence behaviours, arise, and existing parts, and hence behaviours, cease to exist.

### 6.10.1 Create and Destroy Entities

In the domain we can expect that its behaviours create and destroy entities.

**Example 76 Creation and Destruction of Entities.** In the *road transport* domain new hubs, links and automobiles may be inserted into the road net, and existing links, hubs and automobiles may be removed from the road net. In a *container terminal* domain [21, 43] new containers are introduced, old are discarded; new container vessels are introduced, old are discarded; new ship-to-shore cranes are introduced, old are discarded; et cetera. In a *retailer* domain [46] new customers are introduced, old are discarded; new retailers are introduced, old are discarded; new merchandise is introduced, old is discarded; et cetera. In a *financial system* domain new customers are introduced, old are discarded; new banks are introduced, old are discarded; new brokers are introduced, old are discarded; et cetera. ■

**The issue here is:** When hubs and links are inserted or removed the mereologies of “neighbouring” road elements change, and so does the mereology of automobiles. When automobiles are inserted or removed the mereology of road elements have to be changed to take account of the insertions and removals, and so does the mereology of automobiles. And, some domain laws must be re-expressed: The domain part state,  $\sigma$ , must be updated<sup>102</sup>, and so must the unique identifier state,  $uid_\sigma$ <sup>103</sup>.

#### 6.10.1.1 Create Entities

It is taken for granted here that there are behaviours, one or more, which take the initiative to and carry out the creation of specific entities. Let us refer to such a behaviour as the “creator”. To create an entity implies the following three major steps [A.–C.] the step wise creation of the part and initialisation of the transduced behaviour, and [D.] the adjustment of all such part behaviours that might have their mereologies and attributes updated to accept such requests from creators.

A. To decide on the part sort – in order to create that part – that is

- ∞ to obtain a unique identifier – one hitherto not used;
- ∞ to obtain a mereology, one
  - according to the general mereology for parts of that sort,
  - and how the part specifically is to “fit” into its surroundings;
- ∞ to obtain an appropriate set of attributes:
  - again according to the attribute types for that part sort
  - and, more specifically, choosing initial attribute values.
- ∞ This part is then “joined” to the global part state,  $\sigma$ <sup>104</sup> and
- ∞ its unique identifier “joined” to the global unique identifier state,  $uid_\sigma$ <sup>105</sup>.

B. Then to transcendently deduce that part into a behaviour:

- ∞ initialised (according to Sect. 6.4) with

<sup>102</sup> Cf. Sect. 4.7.2 on page 53

<sup>103</sup> Cf. Sect. 5.2.3 on page 62

<sup>104</sup> Cf. Sect. 4.7.2 on page 53

<sup>105</sup> Cf. Sect. 5.2.3 on page 62

- the unique identifier,
- the mereology, and
- the attribute values
- ∞ This behaviour is then invoked and “joined” to the set of current behaviours, cf. Sect. 6.9 on page 104 – i.e., just above!

C. Then, finally, to “adjust” the mereologies of topologically or conceptually related parts,

- ∞ that is, for each of these parts to update:
- ∞ their mereology and possibly some
- ∞ state and state space

arguments of their corresponding behaviours.

D. The update of the mereologies of already “running” behaviours requires the following:

- ∞ that, potentially all, behaviours offers to accept
- ∞ mereology update requests from the “creator” behaviour.

The latter means, practically speaking, that each part/behaviour which may be subject to mereology changes externally non-deterministically expresses an offer to accept such a change.

**Example 77 Road Net Administrator.** We introduce the road net behaviour – based on the road net composite part, RN.

- 141 The road net has a programmable attribute: a *road net (development & maintenance) graph*.<sup>106</sup>  
 The road net graph consists of a quadruple: a map that for each hub identifier records “all” the information that the road net administrator deems necessary<sup>107</sup> for the maintenance and development of road net hubs; a map that for each link identifier records “all” the information<sup>108</sup> that the road net administrator deems necessary for the maintenance and development of road net links; and a map from the hub identifiers to the set of identifiers of the links it is connected to, and the set of all automobile identifiers.
- 142 This graph is commensurate with the actual topology of the road net.

**type**

141.  $G = (HI \multimap H\_Info) \times (LI \multimap L\_Info) \times (HI \multimap LI\_set) \times AI\_set$

**value**

141.  $attr\_G: RN \rightarrow G$

**axiom**

141.  $\forall (hi\_info, li\_info, map, ais): G \cdot$

141.  $\text{dom } map = \text{dom } hi\_info = his \wedge \cup \text{rng } map = \text{dom } li\_info = lis \wedge$

142.  $\forall hi: HI \cdot hi \in \text{dom } hi\_info \Rightarrow$

142.  $\text{let } h: H \cdot h \in \sigma \wedge uid\_H(h) = hi \text{ in}$

142.  $\text{let } (lis', \dots) = \text{mereo\_H}(h) \text{ in } lis' = map(hi)$

142.  $ais \subseteq a_{his}^{109} \wedge \dots$

142. **end end**

Please note the fundamental difference between the *road net (development & maintenance) graph* and the road net. The latter pretends to be “the real thing”. The former is “just” an abstraction thereof!

- 143 The road net mereology (“bypasses”) the hub and link aggregates, and comprises a set of hub identifiers and a set of link identifiers – of the road net<sup>110</sup>.

<sup>106</sup> The presentation of the road net Behaviour, rn, is simplified.

<sup>107</sup> We presently abstract from what this information is.

<sup>108</sup> See footnote 107.

<sup>109</sup> The  $a_{his}$  was defined in Sect. 5.2.3, Item 44 on Page 63.

<sup>110</sup> This is a repeat of the hub mereology given in Item 54 on page 65.

**type**

143.  $H\_Mer = AI\_set \times LI\_set$

143.  $mereo\_RN: RN \rightarrow RNMer$

**axiom**

143.  $\forall rts:RTS \bullet let (\_,lis) = mereo\_H(obs\_RN(rts)) \text{ in } lis \subseteq l_{ui}S^{111} \text{ end}$

- 144 The road net [administrator] behaviour,  
 145 amongst other activities (...)  
 146 internal non-deterministically decides upon
- a either a hub insertion,
  - b or a link insertion,
  - c or a hub removal,
  - d or a link removal;

These four sub-behaviours each resume being the road net behaviour.

**value**

144.  $rn: RNI \rightarrow RNMer \rightarrow G \rightarrow \text{in,out}\{ch[\{i,j\}] | \{i,j\} \subseteq uid_\sigma\}$

144.  $rn(rni)(rnmer)(g) \equiv$

145. ...

146a.  $\sqcap \text{insert\_hub}(g)(rni)(rnmer)$

146b.  $\sqcap \text{insert\_link}(g)(rni)(rnmer)$

146c.  $\sqcap \text{remove\_hub}(g)(rni)(rnmer)$

146d.  $\sqcap \text{remove\_link}(g)(rni)(rnmer)$

Details on the insert and remove actions are given below.

- 147 These road net sub-behaviours require information about
- a a hub to be inserted: its initial state, state space and [empty] traffic history, or
  - b a link to be inserted: its length, initial state, state space and [empty] traffic history, or
  - c a hub to be removed: its unique identifier, or
  - d a link to be removed: its unique identifier.

**type**

147.  $Info == nHInfo | nLInfo | oHInfo | oLInfo$

147.  $nHInfo :: H\Sigma \times H\Omega \times H\_Traffic$

147.  $nLInfo :: LEN \times L\Sigma \times L\Omega \times L\_Traffic$

147.  $oHInfo :: HI$

147.  $oLInfo :: LI \blacksquare$

**Example 78 Road Net Development: Hub Insertion.** Road net development alternates between design, based on the *road net (development & maintenance) graph*, and actual, “real life”, construction taking place in the real surroundings of the road net.

- 148 If a hub insertion then the road net behaviour, based on the hub and link information and the road net layout in the *road net (development & maintenance) graph* selects
- a an initial mereology for the hub,  $h\_mer$ ,
  - b an initial hub state,  $h\sigma$ , and
  - c an initial hub state space,  $h\omega$ , and
  - d an initial, i.e., empty hub traffic history;

<sup>111</sup> The  $l_{ui}S$  was defined in Sect. 5.2.3, Item 40 on Page 63.

149 updates its *road net (development & maintenance) graph* with information about the new hub,  
 150 and results in a suitable grouping of these.

**value**

```

148. design_new_hub: G → (nHInfo×G)
148. design_new_hub(g) ≡
148a.   let h_mer:HMer = Mih(g),
148b.     hσ:HΣ = Sih(g),
148c.     hω:HΩ = Oih(g),
148d.     h_traffic = [],
149.     g' = MSOih(g) in
150.     ((h_mer,hσ,hω,h_traffic),g') end

```

We leave open, in Items 148a–148c, as to what the initial hub mereology, state and state space should be initialised, i.e., the  $M_{ih}$ ,  $S_{ih}$ ,  $O_{ih}$  and  $MSO_{ih}$  functions.

151 To insert a new hub the road net administrator

- a first designs the new hub,
- b then selects a hub part
- c which satisfies the design,
- whereupon it updates the global state
- d of parts  $\sigma$ ,
- e of unique identifiers, and
- f of hub identifiers –

in parallel, and in parallel with

152 initiating a new hub behaviour

153 and resuming being the road net behaviour.

```

151. insert_hub: G×RNI×RNMer → Unit
151. insert_hub(g,rni,rnmer) ≡
151a.   let ((h_mer,hσ,hω,h_traffic),g') = design_new_hub(g) in
151b.   let h:H • hσ •
151c.     mereo_H(h)=h_mer ∧ hσ=attr_HΣ(h) ∧
151c.     hω=attr_HΩ(h) ∧ h_traffic=attr_HTraffic(h) in
151d.     σ := σ ∪ {h}
151e.     || uidσ := uidσ ∪ {uid_H(h)}
151f.     || his := his ∪ {uid_H(h)}
152.     || hub(uid_H(h))(attr_HΣ(h),attr_HΩ(h),attr_HTraffic(h))
153.     || rn(rni)(rnmer)(g')
151.   end end ■

```

### Example 79 Road Net Development: Link Insertion.

154 If a link insertion then the road net behaviour based on the hub and link information and the road net layout in the *road net (development & maintenance) graph* selects

- a the mereology for the link, h\_mer<sup>112</sup>,
- b the (static) length (attribute),
- c an initial link state, l<sub>σ</sub>,
- d an initial link state space l<sub>ω</sub>, and
- e and initial, i.e., empty, link traffic history;

<sup>112</sup> that is, the two existing hub identifiers between whose hubs the new link is to be inserted



155 updates its *road net (development & maintenance) graph* with information about the new link,  
 156 and results in a suitable grouping of these.

```

value
154. design_new_link:  $G \rightarrow (nLInfo \times G)$ 
154. design_new_link(g)  $\equiv$ 
154a.   let l_mer: LMer =  $\mathcal{M}_{il}(g)$ ,
154b.     le: LEN =  $\mathcal{L}_{il}(g)$ ,
154c.     l $\sigma$ : L $\Sigma$  =  $\mathcal{S}_{il}(g)$ ,
154d.     l $\omega$ : L $\Omega$  =  $\mathcal{O}_{il}(g)$ ,
154e.     l_hist: LHist = []
155.     g': G =  $\mathcal{MLSO}_{il}(g)$  in
156.     ((l_mer, le, l $\sigma$ , l $\omega$ , l_hist), g') end

```

We leave open, in Items 154a–154d, as to what the initial link mereology, state and state space should be initialised.

157 To insert a new link the road net administrator

- a first designs the new link,
- b then selects a link part
- c which satisfies the design,
- whereupon it updates the global states
- d of parts,  $\sigma$ ,
- e of unique part identifiers, and
- f of link identifiers –

in parallel, and in parallel with

158 initiating a new link behaviour and

159 updating the mereologies and possibly the state and the state space attributes of the connected hubs.

```

value
157. insert_link:  $G \rightarrow \mathbf{Unit}$ 
157. insert_link(rni, l)  $\equiv$ 
157a.   let ((l_mer, le, l $\sigma$ , l $\omega$ , l_traffic_hist), g') = design_new_link(g) in
157c.   let l: L • l $\notin$   $\sigma$  • mereo_L(l) = l_mer  $\wedge$ 
157c.     le = attr_LEN(l)  $\wedge$  l $\sigma$  = attr_L $\Sigma$ (l)  $\wedge$ 
157c.     l $\omega$  = attr_L $\Omega$ (l)  $\wedge$  l_traffic_hist = attr_HTraffic(l) in
157d.    $\sigma := \sigma \cup \{l\}$ 
157e.   || uid $_{\sigma} := \text{uid}_{\sigma} \cup \{\text{uid}_L(l)\}$ 
157f.   || lis := list  $\cup \{l\}$ 
158.   || link(uid_L(l))(l_mer)(le, l $\omega$ )(l $\sigma$ , l_traffic)
159.   || ch[ {rni, hi1} ] ! updH( $\mathcal{M}_{il}(g)$ ,  $\Sigma_{il}(g)$ ,  $\Omega_{il}(g)$ )
159.   || ch[ {rni, hi2} ] !
157.   end end ■

```

We leave undefined the mereology and the state  $\sigma$  and state space  $\omega$  update functions.

### 6.10.1.2 Destroy Entities

The introduction to Sect. 6.10.1.1 on page 105 on the *creation of entities* outlined a number of creation issues ([A, B, C, D]). For the *destruction of entities* description matters are a bit simpler. It is, almost, simply a matter of designating, by its unique identifier, the entity: part and behaviour

to be destroyed. Almost ! The mereology of the destroyed entity must be such that the destruction does not leave “dangling” references !

**Example 80 Road Net Development: Hub Removal.**

160 If a hub removal then the road net `design_remove_hub` behaviour, based on the *road net (development & maintenance) graph*, calculates the *unique hub identifier* of the “isolated” hub to be removed – that is, is not connected to any links,  
 161 updates the *road net (development & maintenance) graph*, and  
 162 results in a pair of these.

**value**

```
160. design_remove_hub: G → (HI×G)
160. design_remove_hub(g) as (hi,g')
160.   let hi:HI • hi ∈ his ∧ let (_,lis) = mereo_H(retr_part(hi)) in lis={} end in
161.   let g' = Mrh(hi,g) in
162.   (hi,g') end end
```

163 To remove a hub the road net administrator  
 a first designs which old hub is to be removed  
 b then removes the designated hub,  
 whereupon it updates the global states  
 c of parts  $\sigma$ ,  
 d of unique identifiers, and  
 e of hub identifiers –  
 in parallel, and in parallel with  
 164 stopping the old hub behaviour  
 165 and resuming being a road net behaviour.

**value**

```
163. remove_hub: G → RNI → RNMer → Unit
163. remove_hub(g)(rni)(rnmer) ≡
163a.   let (hi,g') = design_remove_hub(g) in
163b.   let h:H • uid_H(h)=hi ∧ ... in
163c.   σ := σ \ {h}
163d.   || uidσ := uidσ \ {hi}
163e.   || his := his \ {hi}
164.   || ch[{rni,hi}] ! mkStop()
165.   || rn(rni)(rnmer)(g')
163.   end end ■
```

## 6.10.2 Adjustment of Creatable and Destructable Behaviours

When an entity is created or destroyed its creation, respectively destruction affects the neurologically related parts and their behaviours. their mereology and possibly their programmable state attributes need be adjusted. And when entities are destroyed their behaviours are **stopped** ! These entities are “informed” so by the creator/destructor entity – as was shown in Examples 78–80. The next example will illustrate how such ‘affected’ entities handle such creator/destructor communication.

**Example 81 Hub Adjustments.** We have not yet illustrated hub (nor link) behaviours. Now we have to!

166 The mereology of a hub is a triple: the identification of the set of automobiles that may enter the hub, the identification of the set of links that connect to the hub, and the identification of the road net.  
 167 The hub behaviour external non-deterministically ( $\square$ ) alternates between  
 168 doing “own work”,  
 169 or accepting a stop “command” from the road net administrator, or  
 170 or accepting mereology & state update information,  
 171 or other.

**type**

166.  $\text{HMer} = \text{AI-set} \times \text{LI-set} \times \text{RNI}$

**value**

166.  $\text{mereo\_H}: \text{H} \rightarrow \text{HMer}$

167.  $\text{hub}: \text{hi}: \text{HI} \rightarrow (\text{auis}, \text{lis}, \text{rni}): \text{HMer} \rightarrow \text{h}\omega: \text{H}\Omega \rightarrow (\text{h}\sigma: \text{H}\Sigma \times \text{ht}: \text{HTraffic}) \rightarrow$

167.  $\{\text{ch}[\text{hi}, \text{ui}] | \text{ui}: (\text{RNI} | \text{AI}) \cdot \text{ui} = \text{rni} \vee \text{ui} \in \text{auis}\} \text{ Unit}$

167.  $\text{hub}(\text{hi})(\text{hm}: (\text{auis}, \text{lis}, \text{rni}))(\text{h}\omega)(\text{h}\sigma, \text{ht}) \equiv$

168. ...

169.  $\square \text{ let mkStop}() = \text{ch}[\text{hi}, \text{rni}] ? \text{ in stop end}$

170.  $\square \text{ let mkUpdH}(\text{hm}', \text{h}\sigma', \text{h}\sigma') = \text{ch}[\{\text{rni}, \text{hi}\}] ? \text{ in}$

170.  $\text{hub}(\text{hi})(\text{hm}')(\text{h}\omega')(\text{h}\sigma', \text{ht}) \text{ end}$

171. ...

Observe from formula Item 169 that the hub behaviour ends, whereas “from” Item 170 it tail recurses! ■

### 6.10.3 Summary on Creatable & Destructable Entities

We have sketched how we may model the dynamics of creating and destroying entities. It is, but a sketch. We should wish for a more methodological account. So, that is what we are working on – amongst other issues – at the moment.

## 6.11 Domain Engineering: Description and Construction

There are two meanings to the term ‘Domain Engineering’.

- the construction of *descriptions* of domains, and
- the construction of *domains*.

Most sections of Chapters 4–6 are “devoted” to the former; the previous section, Sect. 6.10 to the latter.

## 6.12 A Domain Discovery Procedure, III

The predecessors of this section are Sects. 4.8.2 on page 53 and 5.7 on page 90.

### 6.12.1 Review of the Endurant Analysis and Description Process

The `describe_...` functions below were defined in Sects. 4.8.2 on page 53 and 5.7 on page 90.

```
value
  enduring_analysis_and_description: Unit → Unit
  enduring_analysis_and_description() ≡
    discover_sorts();           [Page 54]
    discover_internal_endurant_qualities() [Page 90]
```

We are now to define a `perdurant_analysis_and_description` procedure – to follow the above `enduring_analysis_and_description` procedure.

### 6.12.2 A Domain Discovery Process, III

We define the `perdurant_analysis_and_description` procedure in the reverse order of that of Sect. 5.7 on page 90, first the full procedure, then its sub-procedures.

A Domain Endurant Analysis and Description Process

```
value
  perdurant_analysis_and_description: Unit → Unit
  perdurant_analysis_and_description() ≡
    describe_state();           axiom ... [ Note (a) ]
    describe_channels();        axiom ... [ Note (b) ]
    describe_behaviour_signatures(); axiom ... [ Note (c) ]
    describe_behaviour_definitions(); axiom ... [ Note (d) ]
    describe_initial_system()    axiom ... [ Note (e) ]
```

#### Notes:

- (a) **The States:  $\sigma$  and  $ui_\sigma$**  We refer to Sect. 4.7.2 on page 53 and Sect. 5.2.3 on page 62. The state calculation, as shown on Page 52, must be replicated, i.e., re-described, in any separate domain analysis & description. The purpose of the state, i.e.,  $\sigma$ , is to formulate appropriate axiomatic constraints and domain laws.
- (b) **The Channels:** We refer to Sect. 6.2 on page 96. Thus we indiscriminately declare a channel for each pair of distinct unique part identifiers whether the corresponding pair of part behaviours, if at all invoked, communicate or not.
- (c) **Behaviour Signatures:** We refer to Sect. 6.4.1 on page 97. We find it more productive to first settle on the signatures of all behaviours – careful thinking has to go into that – before tackling the far more time-consuming work on defining the behaviours:
- (d) **Behaviour Definitions:** We refer to Sect. 6.7 on page 101.
- (e) **The Running System:** We refer to Sect. 6.9 on page 104.

6.13 Summary

Perdurants: Analysis & Description: Method Tools		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Domain Discovery:</b> The procedures being described here, informally, guides the domain analyser cum describer to do the job ! We have basically finished our listings of the procedural steps of the domain engineering methodology of this <b>primer</b> !</li></ul>	#	Introduced
	<b>Description Functions</b>	
	describe_channels	page <b>96</b>
	describe_behaviour_signatures	page <b>101</b>
	describe_behaviour_definitions	page <b>102</b>
	describe_initial_system	page <b>104</b>
	perdurant_analysis_and_description	page <b>112</b>

...

Please consider Fig. 4.1 on page 39. This chapter has covered the right of Fig.4.1.



## Chapter 7

# Closing

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## 7.1 What has been Achieved and Not Achieved ?

### 7.1.1 What has been Achieved ?

An initial phase of software development has been suggested, one that is also independent of whether software is indeed intended: that of domain engineering. A calculus of domain inquiry and a calculus of domain description have been put forward — calculi that are presently focused on domain endurants.

### 7.1.2 What has Not been Achieved ?

The next section elucidates on both what has been, and what has not been achieved.

## 7.2 Related Issues

A number of issues related to domain modelling need be briefly addressed.

### 7.2.1 Axioms, Well-formedness and Proof Obligations

The reader may have noticed that this **primer** hardly mentions the notion of verification, yet domain descriptions, as possibly any specification related to software, may require some form of verification. Yet this **primer** appears to skirt the issue. Indeed, we have, regrettably, omitted the issue. So we must refer the reader to relevant literature. We cannot, January 7, 2024, point to any definitive book on the topic. The field is under intense research. Instead we refer to such diverse papers as: [63,88] as well as the seminal book [77].

In *Endurant Description Prompt 2* on page 44 and we mention the concept of proof obligation. They are also mentioned in *Attribute Description Prompt 6* on page 70. In numerous other places we mention the concept of *axiom*: 45 on page 63 (uniqueness of unique identifiers), 5 on page 65 (mereology), 103 on page 83 (property of time), And in some places we mention the concept of *well-formedness*, for example, Sect. 5.6.2.4 on page 87,

- **Axioms** express properties of endurants, whether external or internal qualities, that hold – as were they laws of the domain.
- **Well-formedness** predicates are defined where external or internal qualities of endurants are defined by concrete types in such ways as to warrant such predicates.
- **Proof obligations** are usually warranted where distinct sort definitions need be separated.

### 7.2.2 From Programming Language Semantics to Domain Models

In 1973–1974, at the *IBM Vienna Laboratory*, we, Peter Lucas, Hans Bekič, Cliff Jones, Wolfgang Henhapl and Dines Bjørner researched & developed a formal description of the PL/I programming language [7]. In 1979–1984, at the *Dansk Datamatik Center, DDC*, under Dines Bjørner’s leadership and with invaluable help from his colleague, Dr. Hans Bruun, and based on Dines Bjørner’s MSc. lectures, seven M.Sc. students<sup>113</sup> developed formal descriptions of (and later full compilers for) the programming languages CHILL [95] and Ada, the latter under the informed management of Dr. Ole N. Oest [61].

In a domain model we describe essential nouns and verbs of the “language spoken” by practitioners of the domain. The “extension” from the language “spoken by programmers” to that “spoken by domain practitioners” should be obvious.

In both cases, the descriptions, for realistic programming languages and for realistic domains, are not trivial. They are sizable. The PL/I, CHILL and Ada descriptions span from a hundred pages to several hundred pages! Similarly, their implementation, in terms of interpreters and compilers, took many man-years. For the *DDC Ada Compiler* [73,94] it took 44 man-years!

From a description of realistic facets of a domain one can develop a number of more-or-less distinct requirements, and from these one can develop computing systems software and we can expect similar size efforts.

### 7.2.3 Domain Specific Languages

A domain specific language, generically referred to as a DSL, is a language whose basic syntactic elements directly reflect endurants and perdurants of a specific domain. *Actulus*, a language in which to express calculations of actuarial character [71], is a DSL.

The semantics of a DSL, obviously, must relate to a model for the domain in question. In fact, we advice, that DSLs be developed from the basis of relevant domain models.

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### 7.2.4 The RAISE Specification Language, RSL

We refer to Sect. 1.10 on page 5. So we have used RSL in two ways in this **primer**: (i) informally, to explain the domain analysis & description method – in  $\text{RSL}^+$ , and (ii) formally, to present [fragments of] specific domain specifications. The latter always in enumerated examples.<sup>114</sup> Appendices **A–B** both exemplify formal uses of RSL. All the functions listed in Index Sects. **D.6–D.8** and their explication are using the informal  $\text{RSL}^+$ .

### 7.2.5 Rôle of Algorithms

In all of the function formulation of domain phenomena, in this **primer**, You have not seen a single, interesting algorithm!<sup>115</sup> We need not apologize for that. There is a reason. The reason is that we almost only describe properties. To that end we make use of classical mathematical notions such as set comprehension, for example:  $\{ a \mid a:A \cdot \mathcal{P}(a) \}$ . The search for an appropriate  $a$  such that  $\mathcal{P}(a)$  holds is often what requires, often beautiful algorithms. We refer to [99, 120, *Knuth and Harel*]. The need for clever algorithms, usually, first arise when designing software. Not in requirements engineering (cf. Sect. 7.2.8 on the following page), but in software design. Then requirements prescriptions, also usually expressed in terms of set, list or map comprehension, or corresponding quantifications, need efficient implementations; hence clever algorithms.

### 7.2.6 CSP versus PDEs

To model the behaviour of discrete dynamic domains, such as are the main focus of this **primer**, we use the CSP process concept [106]. To model the behaviour of continuous dynamic domains, which we really have not, we suggest that You use methods of analysis, to wit: *[Partial] Differential Equations, PDEs*. Perhaps also some *Fuzzy Logic* [116, 170]. That is: We see this as the “dividing line” between discrete and continuous dynamic systems modelling: *CSP versus DPEs*. Appendix **B**, pages 151–172, puts forward a domain whose continuous dynamics need be formalised, for example using PDEs [76]. Mathematical modelling such as based on *Adaptive Control Theory* [3], *Stochastic Control Theory* [118] or maybe *Fuzzy Control* [128], like algorithmics, first be required as possible techniques when issues of correct continuous dynamics and optimisation arise, as when implementing certain requirements.

### 7.2.7 Domain Facets

There are other, additional methodological domain modelling steps. In [48, Chapter 8, Pages 205–240] we cover the notion of *domain facets*. By a domain facet we shall understand one amongst a finite set of generic ways of analysing a domain: a view of the domain, such that the different facets cover conceptually different views, and such that these views together cover the domain. We here list:

<sup>114</sup> These are: Examples 36 on page 45, 37 on page 47, 38 on page 47, 41 on page 52, 43 on page 62, 44 on page 62, 45 on page 63, 46 on page 63, 47 on page 65, 48 on page 66, 51 on page 68, 58 on page 73, 59 on page 73, 60 on page 73, 65 on page 86, 74 on page 103, 75 on page 104, 77 on page 106, 78 on page 107, 79 on page 108, 80 on page 110, and 81 on page 111

<sup>115</sup> Algorithm: a process or set of rules to be followed in calculations or other problem-solving operations, especially by a computer.

- intrinsics,
- support technologies,
- rules & regulations, including
  - ∞ scripts,
- ∞ license languages,
- management & organisation, and
- human behaviour.

as such facets. The referenced chapter ([48, Chapter 8, Pages 205–240]) is traditional, programming methodological, in the sense that there is no [semi-]formal calculi involved, as in this primer's Chapters 4–5. We could wish for that!

### 7.2.8 Requirements Engineering

Domain modelling, to repeat, can be pursued for two different, but related, reasons. (i) Simply, without any concern for, or idea of possible software, in order to “just” understand a domain, or (ii) for reasons of subsequent software development. In the later case a step of *requirements engineering* need be pursued. [48, Chapter 9, Pages 243–298] covers a notion of *requirements engineering*. In that chapter we show three stages of requirements development: ( $\alpha$ ) *domain requirements*, ( $\beta$ ) *interface requirements*, and ( $\gamma$ ) *machine requirements*. But first a definition of the term ‘*machine*’.

**Definition 93 Machine.** By *machine* we shall understand a, or the, combination of hardware and software that is the target for, or result of the required computing systems development.

**Definition 94 Requirement.** By a *requirement* we shall understand (cf., IEEE Standard 610.12): “A condition or capability needed by a user to solve a problem or achieve an objective.” ■

**Definition 95 Domain Requirements.** By *domain requirements* we shall understand those requirements which can be expressed solely using terms of the domain. ■

**Definition 96 Interface Requirements.** By *interface requirements* we shall understand those requirements which can be expressed only using technical terms of both the domain and the machine. ■

**Definition 97 Machine Requirements.** By *machine requirements* we shall understand those requirements which, in principle, can be expressed solely using terms of the machine. ■

The *domain requirements* stage of requirements development starts with a basis in the domain engineering's domain description. It is, so-to-speak, a first step in the development of a requirements prescription.<sup>116</sup> From there follows, according to [48, Chapter 9] a number of (five) steps:

**Definition 98 Projection.** By projection is meant a subset of the domain description, one which projects out all those endurants: parts and fluids, as well as perdurants: actions, events and behaviours that the stake-holders do not wish represented or relied upon by the machine. ■

<sup>116</sup> The “passage” from domain description to requirements prescription marks a transcendental deduction. Domain descriptions designate that which is being described. Requirements prescriptions designate what is intended to be implemented by computing. Please note the distinction: At the end of the development of a domain description we have just that: a domain description. At the beginning of the development of a requirements prescription we consider the domain description to be the initial requirements prescription: Thus, seemingly bewildering, in one instance a document is considered a domain description, in the next instance, without that document having been textually changed, it is now considered a requirements prescription. The transition from domain description to requirements prescription also marks a transition from “no-design mode” description to “design-mode” prescription.

**Definition 99 Instantiation.** By instantiation we mean a refinement of the partial domain requirements prescription (resulting from the projection step) in which the refinements aim at rendering more concrete, more specific the endurants: parts and fluids, as well as the perdurants: actions, events and behaviours of the domain requirements prescription. ■

**Definition 100 Determination.** By determination we mean a refinement of the partial domain requirements prescription, resulting from the instantiation step, in which the refinements aim at rendering less non-determinate, more determinate the endurants: parts and fluids, as well as the perdurants: functions, events and behaviours of the partial domain requirements prescription. ■

**Definition 101 Extension.** By extension we understand the introduction of endurants and perdurants that were not feasible in the original domain, but for which, with computing and communication, and with new, emerging technologies, for example, sensors, actuators and satellites, there is the possibility of feasible implementations, hence the requirements, that what is introduced becomes part of the unfolding requirements prescription. ■

**Definition 102 Fitting.** By requirements fitting we mean a harmonisation of two or more domain requirements that have overlapping (shared) not always consistent parts and which results in  $n$  partial domain requirement, and  $m$  shared domain requirement, that “fit into” two or more of the partial domain requirements. ■

[48, Chapter 9] then goes on to outline interface and machine requirements steps.

So domain engineering is a sound basis, we claim, for software development.

How that basis harmonises with the approaches taken by *Axel van Lamsweerde* [121] and *Michael A. Jackson* [114] is, really, a worthwhile study in-and-by itself!

### 7.2.9 Possible [PhD] Research Topics

We list here a number of possible (PhD) research topics:

- 1 **Intentional Pull:** This topic is not treated to the depth it deserves in this **primer**. Try think of intentional pulls in several domains: (i) *money flow in financial institutions* (while domain modelling a fair selection of such: banks, credit card companies, brokers, stock exchanges [33], etc.); (ii) *railway systems* (study, for example, [16, 17, 54, 57, 58, 62, 131, 143, 160]); and (iii) *container terminals* (see [43]).
- 2 **Discrete vs. Continuous Endurants and Perdurants:** Take the example of (oil, gas, water) *pipelines*. See Appendix B. Try model the dynamic flow of liquid in pipes, valves, pumps, etc., that is “mix”, as may be expected, differential equations with RSL formulas. Some have tried. No real progress seems attained. See however [168, 169]. The pipeline example should illustrate the use of monitorable attributes, their “reading” and their “biddable updates”. The challenge here is threefold: (i) first the PDE etc. modelling of the flow for each kind of unit, including curved pipe units; (ii) then for their composition – for a specific layout, for example that hinted at in Fig. B.11 on page 156; and (iii) finally for the infinite collection of pipeline systems such as defined by the “abstract syntax” of Appendix B Item 271 on page 154 (including its wellformedness).
- 3 **Towards a Calculus of Perdurants:** This **primer** has unveiled the beginnings of a *Calculus of Endurants*. (Yet, its real “calculus-orientation” has yet to emerge: its laws, etc.) Sect. 6.7 hints at what we have in mind. A systematic analysis which aims at uncovering a fixed number of behaviour patterns such as sketched in Sect. 6.7.
- 4 **Modelling Human Interaction:** The “running example”, summarised in Appendix A, illustrated a road net “populated” with automobiles driving “hither & dither”. The current **primer** has not treated the interaction between humans and man-made artifacts, like, for example, drivers and their automobiles. You are to model, for example, such human actions as starting

an automobile, accelerating, braking, turning left, turning right, and stopping. Doing so You will have to try out, experiment with the rôles of monitorable, including biddable automobile attributes. An aim, besides such a domain model, is to research method issues of modelling human interaction. Please disregard modelling issues of sentiments, feelings, etc.

- 5 **Transcendental Deduction:** In the philosophy of Kai Sørlander such as, for example, explained in Chapter 2, transcendental deduction is appealed to repeatably. In this **primer**, as in [48], transcendental deduction is appealed to only once ! Maybe research into possible calculi for perdurants, cf. Research Challenge 3, might yield some more examples of transcendental deductions.
- 6 **Formal Models of Domain Modelling Calculi:** In [37] an attempt is made at a first formal model of the domain analysis & description calculi. With [48] and, especially, this **primer** as a background, perhaps a more thorough attempt should be made to bring the model of [37] up-to-date and complete !
- 7 **Kai Sørlander's Philosophy:** We refer to Chapter 2. It is here strongly suggested that this research project be based on [156], Kai Sørlander's most recent book.<sup>117</sup> The challenge, in a sense, has two elements: (i) the identification of Sørlander's use of transcendental deduction: painstakingly identifying **all** it uses, analysing each of these, studying whether one can characterise these uses into more than one common kind of deduction, or whether one might claim "*classes of deductions*", not necessarily disjoint, but perhaps structured in some kind of taxonomy; and (ii) the analysis of this report's presentation of Sørlander's metaphysics.

## 7.3 Closing Remarks

### 7.3.1 Endurants versus Perdurants

The number of concepts pertaining to endurants versus the number of concepts pertaining to perdurants appears to signify something ! The number of concept definitions that relate to endurants is around 80. Those of perdurant concepts is around 10 ! How can that large difference be understood ?

### 7.3.2 Domain Science & Engineering

The present primer represents, at the moment, a long line of development. As mentioned in Sect. 1.5.2.1 on page 4 this grew out of a series of works: [20, 30, 34, 41, 45, 48]. The first inklings — in our work on what is now the *Domain Science & Engineering* of this **primer**— appeared in [10–13, 56, 1995–1996]. The *UN University's International Institute for Software Technology*, UNU/IIST conducted several domain engineering-based research & development projects, most of them under the leaderships of (the late) Søren Prehn and Chris W. George [89]. [29, 2008] touched upon the concept of *Domain Facets*, not covered in this **primer**, but in [48, 2021]. Two papers [30, 34, 2010] suggested reasonably relevant properties of domain descriptions. It was not until [41, 2017] that the analysis & description calculi of this **primer** emerged, and were refined in [45, 2019].

The iteration from [20] via [30, 34, 41, 45, 48] to the present primer reminds us of the French author *Anatole France's* story of the history of the mankind.<sup>118</sup>

<sup>117</sup> All of Sørlander's books [152–156, 1994–2022] are in Danish – so the researcher would either be able to read Danish, or, more preferably to us, to have a suitable (German, English, French, ...) translation at hand.

<sup>118</sup> On acceding to the throne of Persia, a young king assembled all the academicians of his realm and charged them with writing a detailed history of mankind, that he may learn from it to become a wise ruler.

## 7.4 Acknowledgments

In [48, *Preface/Acknowledgments*, Page xiv] the first author acknowledged the very many who, over his professional life, has inspired him. In “rewriting” this primer from [48] the first author has, again, attempted to “capture” Kai Sørlander’s Philosophy, cf. Chapter 2. And again we wish to deeply acknowledge that work and, hence, **Kai Sørlander**. Here the first author, additionally, wishes to acknowledge, with pleasure, **Laura Kovacs**, TU Wien. Laura invited him to lecture, in the fall of 2022<sup>119</sup>, at TU Wien. This **primer** is the result of that invitation. Drs. Mikhail Chupilko<sup>120</sup> and Yang ShaoFa<sup>121</sup> are currently translating this primer into Russian, respectively Chinese. The first author acknowledges, with many thanks, their ongoing comments. The work of Dr. Yang ShaoFa has in this respect been of such help that the first author decided, in September 2023, to list him as co-author!

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The wise men deliberated and returned after twenty years with twelve camels, each carrying five hundred volumes. But the king could not find the time to read so many volumes, and tasked them with reducing the number of volumes “to the brevity of human existence”.

The academicians worked for another twenty years and returned with fifteen hundred volumes. But the king said, “I am getting old and cannot read all these volumes”.

The academicians returned after ten years with five hundred volumes but the king asked them to shorten it further so that he could learn, before dying, human history.

After five years, a lone academician carrying a single volume arrived at the palace. “Hurry up”, an officer told him, “the king is dying”. The king looked at the academician and said, “So I shall die without knowing human history”.

“Sir”, replied the academician, “I can summarize it for you in three words: they are born, they suffer, they die.” [<http://profzeki.blogspot.com/2012/05/anatole-france-and-reductionism.html>]

<sup>119</sup> Well, an invitation for Covid-19 year 2021 had to be postponed!

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<sup>121</sup> IoS/CAS: Institute of Software, The Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing



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# Appendix A

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## A.1 The Road Transport Domain

Our universe of discourse in this chapter is the road transport domain. Not a specific one, but “a generic road transport domain”.

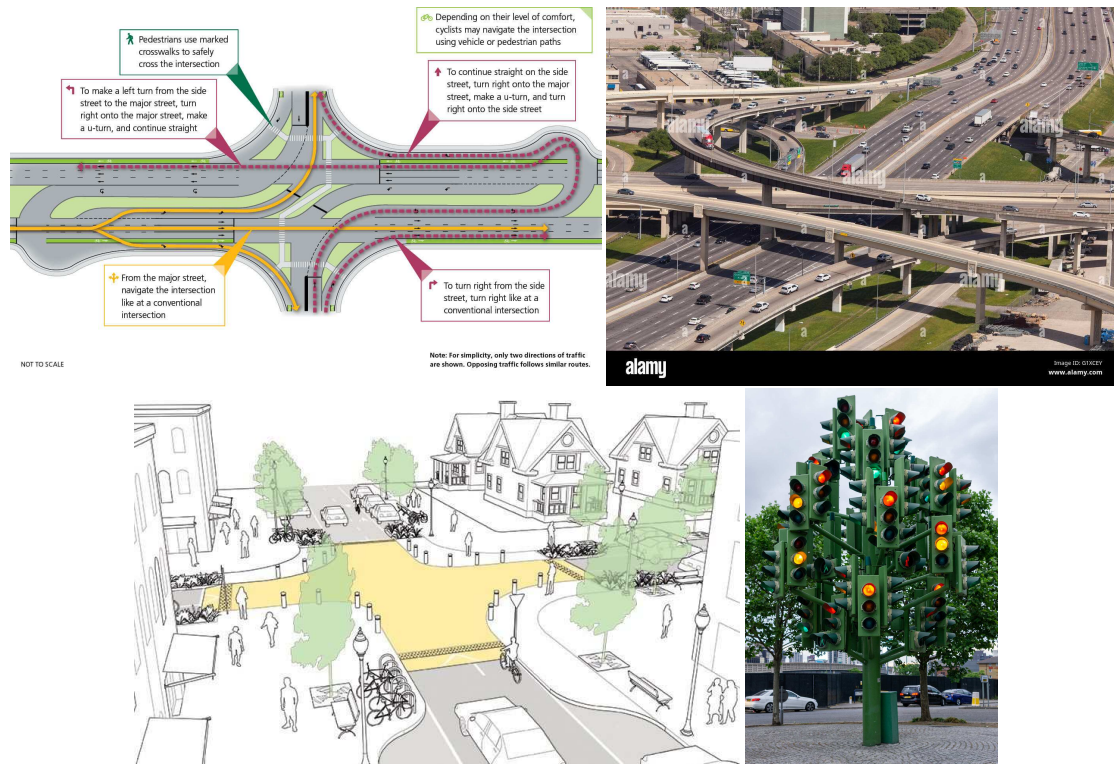


Fig. A.1 Road System Components

### A.1.1 Naming

type RTS

### A.1.2 Rough Sketch

The generic road transport domain that we have in mind consists of a road net (aggregate) and an aggregate of vehicles such that the road net serves to convey vehicles. We consider the road net to consist of hubs, i.e., street intersections, or just street segment connection points, and links, i.e., street segments between adjacent hubs. We consider the aggregate of vehicles to include in addition to vehicles, i.e., automobiles, a department of motor vehicles (DMVs), zero or more bus



companies, each with zero, one or more buses, and vehicle associations, each with zero, one or more members who are owners of zero, one or more vehicles<sup>1</sup> ■

## A.2 External Qualities

**A Road Transport System, I – Manifest External Qualities:** Our intention is that the manifest external qualities of a road transport system are those of its roads, their **hubs**<sup>2</sup> i.e., road (or street) intersections, and their **links**, i.e., the roads (streets) between hubs, and **vehicles**, i.e., automobiles – that ply the roads – the buses, trucks, private cars, bicycles, etc. ■

### A.2.1 A Road Transport System, II – Abstract External Qualities

Examples of what could be considered abstract external qualities of a road transport domain are: the aggregate of all hubs and all links, the aggregate of all buses, say into bus companies, the aggregate of all bus companies into public transport, and the aggregate of all vehicles into a department of vehicles. Some of these aggregates may, at first be treated as abstract. Subsequently, in our further analysis & description we may decide to consider some of them as concretely manifested in, for example, actual departments of roads.

### A.2.2 Transport System Structure

A transport system is modeled as structured into a *road net structure* and an *automobile structure*. The *road net structure* is then structured as a pair: a *structure of hubs* and a *structure of links*. These latter structures are then modeled as set of hubs, respectively links.

We could have modeled the road net structure as a *composite part* with *unique identity*, *mereology* and *attributes* which could then serve to model a road net authority. And we could have modeled the automobile structure as a *composite part* with *unique identity*, *mereology* and *attributes* which could then serve to model a department of vehicles ■

### A.2.3 Atomic Road Transport Parts

From one point of view all of the following can be considered atomic parts: hubs, links<sup>3</sup>, and automobiles.

### A.2.4 Compound Road Transport Parts

#### A.2.4.1 The Composites

<sup>1</sup> This “rough” narrative fails to narrate what hubs, links, vehicles, DMVs, bus companies, buses and vehicle associations are. In presenting it here, as we are, we rely on your a priori understanding of these terms. But that is dangerous! The danger, if we do not painstakingly narrate and formalise what we mean by all these terms, then readers (software designers, etc.) may make erroneous assumptions.

<sup>2</sup> We have **highlighted** certain enduring sort names – as they will re-appear in rather many upcoming examples.

<sup>3</sup> Hub ≡ street intersection; link ≡ street segments with no intervening hubs.

172 There is the *universe of discourse*, UoD.  
It is structured into

173 a *road net*, RN, and  
174 a *fleet of vehicles*, FV.

Both are structures. ....

#### type

172 UoD **axiom**  $\forall uod:UoD \cdot is\_structure(uod)$ .  
173 RN **axiom**  $\forall rn:RN \cdot is\_structure(rn)$ .  
174 FV **axiom**  $\forall fv:FV \cdot is\_structure(fv)$ .

#### value

173 obs\_RN: UoD  $\rightarrow$  RN  
174 obs\_FV: UoD  $\rightarrow$  FV ■

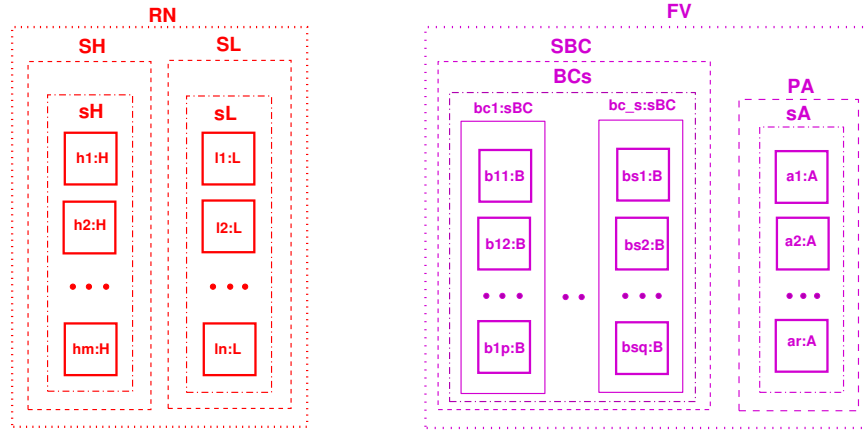


Fig. A.2 A Road Transport System Compounds and Structures

#### A.2.4.2 The Part Parts

175 The structure of hubs is a set, sH, of atomic hubs, H.  
176 The structure of links is a set, sL, of atomic links, L.  
177 The structure of buses is a set, sBC, of composite bus companies, BC.  
178 The composite bus companies, BC, are sets of buses, sB.  
179 The structure of private automobiles is a set, sA, of atomic automobiles, A.

#### type

175 H, sH = H-set **axiom**  $\forall h:H \cdot is\_atomic(h)$   
176 L, sL = L-set **axiom**  $\forall l:L \cdot is\_atomic(l)$   
177 BC, BCs = BC-set **axiom**  $\forall bc:BC \cdot is\_composite(bc)$   
178 B, Bs = B-set **axiom**  $\forall b:B \cdot is\_atomic(b)$   
179 A, sA = A-set **axiom**  $\forall a:A \cdot is\_atomic(a)$

#### value

175 obs\_sH: SH  $\rightarrow$  sH  
176 obs\_sL: SL  $\rightarrow$  sL  
177 obs\_sBC: SBC  $\rightarrow$  BCs  
178 obs\_Bs: BCs  $\rightarrow$  Bs  
179 obs\_sA: SA  $\rightarrow$  sA ■

### A.2.5 The Transport System State

180 Let there be given a universe of discourse, *rts* (road transport system). It is an example of a state.

From that state we can calculate other states.

- 181 The set of all hubs, *hs*.
- 182 The set of all links, *ls*.
- 183 The set of all hubs and links, *hls*.
- 184 The set of all bus companies, *bcs*.
- 185 The set of all buses, *bs*.
- 186 The set of all private automobiles, *as*.
- 187 The set of all parts, *ps*.

**value**

- 180 *rts*:UoD [30]
- 181 *hs*:H-set  $\equiv$  H-set  $\equiv$  obs\_sH(obs\_SH(obs\_RN(*rts*)))
- 182 *ls*:L-set  $\equiv$  L-set  $\equiv$  obs\_sL(obs\_SL(obs\_RN(*rts*)))
- 183 *hls*:(H|L)-set  $\equiv$  *hs*  $\cup$  *ls*
- 184 *bcs*:BC-set  $\equiv$  obs\_BCs(obs\_SBC(obs\_FV(obs\_RN(*rts*)))
- 185 *bs*:B-set  $\equiv \cup \{ \text{obs\_Bs}(bc) | bc:BC \cdot bc \in bcs \}$
- 186 *as*:A-set  $\equiv$  obs\_BCs(obs\_SBC(obs\_FV(obs\_RN(*rts*)))
- 187 *ps*:(UoB|H|L|BC|B|A)-set  $\equiv$  *rts*  $\cup$  *hls*  $\cup$  *bcs*  $\cup$  *bs*  $\cup$  *as*

## A.3 Internal Qualities

### A.3.1 Unique Identifiers

- 188 We assign unique identifiers to all parts.
  - 189 By a road identifier we shall mean a link or a hub identifier.
  - 190 By a vehicle identifier we shall mean a bus or an automobile identifier.
  - 191 Unique identifiers uniquely identify all parts.
- a All hubs have distinct [unique] identifiers.
  - b All links have distinct identifiers.
  - c All bus companies have distinct identifiers.
  - d All buses of all bus companies have distinct identifiers.
  - e All automobiles have distinct identifiers.
  - f All parts have distinct identifiers.

**type**

- 188 H\_UI, L\_UI, BC\_UI, B\_UI, A\_UI
- 189 R\_UI = H\_UI | L\_UI
- 190 V\_UI = B\_UI | A\_UI

**value**

- 191a uid\_H: H  $\rightarrow$  H\_UI
- 191b uid\_L: L  $\rightarrow$  L\_UI
- 191c uid\_BC: H  $\rightarrow$  BC\_UI
- 191d uid\_B: H  $\rightarrow$  B\_UI
- 191e uid\_A: H  $\rightarrow$  A\_UI

#### A.3.1.1 Extract Parts from Their Unique Identifiers

- 192 From the unique identifier of a part we can retrieve,  $\wp$ , the part having that identifier.

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type
192 P = H | L | BC | B | A
value
192  $\varphi: H\_UI \rightarrow H \mid L\_UI \rightarrow L \mid BC\_UI \rightarrow BC \mid B\_UI \rightarrow B \mid A\_UI \rightarrow A$ 
192  $\varphi(ui) \equiv \text{let } p: (H \mid L \mid BC \mid B \mid A) \cdot p \in ps \wedge \text{uid\_P}(p) = ui \text{ in } p \text{ end}$ 

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### A.3.1.2 All Unique Identifiers of a Domain

We can calculate:

- 193 the set,  $h_{uis}$ , of unique *hub* identifiers;
- 194 the set,  $l_{uis}$ , of unique *link* identifiers;
- 195 the map,  $hl_{uim}$ , from unique *hub* identifiers to the set of unique *link* identifiers of the links connected to the zero, one or more identified hubs,
- 196 the map,  $lh_{uim}$ , from unique *link* identifiers to the set of unique *hub* identifiers of the two hubs connected to the identified link;
- 197 the set,  $r_{uis}$ , of all unique *hub* and *link*, i.e., *road* identifiers;
- 198 the set,  $bc_{uis}$ , of unique *bus company* identifiers;
- 199 the set,  $b_{uis}$ , of unique *bus* identifiers;
- 200 the set,  $a_{uis}$ , of unique *private automobile* identifiers;
- 201 the set,  $v_{uis}$ , of unique *bus* and *automobile*, i.e., *vehicle* identifiers;
- 202 the map,  $bcb_{uim}$ , from unique *bus company* identifiers to the set of its unique *bus* identifiers; and
- 203 the (bijective) map,  $bbc_{uim}$ , from unique *bus* identifiers to their unique *bus company* identifiers.

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value
193  $h_{uis}: H\_UI\text{-set} \equiv \{uid\_H(h) \mid h: H \cdot h \in hs\}$ 
194  $l_{uis}: L\_UI\text{-set} \equiv \{uid\_L(l) \mid l: L \cdot l \in ls\}$ 
197  $r_{uis}: R\_UI\text{-set} \equiv h_{uis} \cup l_{uis}$ 
195  $hl_{uim}: (H\_UI \rightarrow L\_UI\text{-set}) \equiv$ 
195    $[h\_ui \mapsto luis \mid h\_ui: H\_UI, luis: L\_UI\text{-set} \cdot h\_ui \in h_{uis} \wedge (\_, luis, \_) = mereo\_H(\eta(h\_ui))] \text{ [cf. Item 210]}$ 
196  $lh_{uim}: (L\_UI \rightarrow H\_UI\text{-set}) \equiv$ 
196    $[l\_ui \mapsto huis \mid h\_ui: L\_UI, huis: H\_UI\text{-set} \cdot l\_ui \in l_{uis} \wedge (\_, huis, \_) = mereo\_L(\eta(l\_ui))] \text{ [cf. Item 211]}$ 
198  $bc_{uis}: BC\_UI\text{-set} \equiv \{uid\_BC(bc) \mid bc: BC \cdot bc \in bcs\}$ 
199  $b_{uis}: B\_UI\text{-set} \equiv \cup \{uid\_B(b) \mid b: B \cdot b \in bs\}$ 
200  $a_{uis}: A\_UI\text{-set} \equiv \{uid\_A(a) \mid a: A \cdot a \in as\}$ 
201  $v_{uis}: V\_UI\text{-set} \equiv b_{uis} \cup a_{uis}$ 
202  $bcb_{uim}: (BC\_UI \rightarrow B\_UI\text{-set}) \equiv$ 
202    $[bc\_ui \mapsto buis \mid bc\_ui: BC\_UI, bc: BC \cdot bc \in bcs \wedge bc\_ui = uid\_BC(bc) \wedge (\_, \_, buis) = mereo\_BC(bc)]$ 
203  $bbc_{uim}: (B\_UI \rightarrow BC\_UI) \equiv$ 
203    $[b\_ui \mapsto bc\_ui \mid b\_ui: B\_UI, bc\_ui: BC\_UI \cdot b\_ui = \text{dom } bcb_{uim} \wedge b\_ui \in bcb_{uim}(bc\_ui)]$ 

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### A.3.1.3 Uniqueness of Road Net Identifiers

We must express the following axioms:

- 204 All *hub* identifiers are distinct.
- 205 All *link* identifiers are distinct.
- 206 All *bus company* identifiers are distinct.
- 207 All *bus* identifiers are distinct.
- 208 All *private automobile* identifiers are distinct.

209 All part identifiers are distinct.

**axiom**

204  $\text{card } hs = \text{card } h_{uis}$

205  $\text{card } ls = \text{card } l_{uis}$

206  $\text{card } bcs = \text{card } bc_{uis}$

207  $\text{card } bs = \text{card } b_{uis}$

208  $\text{card } as = \text{card } a_{uis}$

209  $\text{card } \{h_{uis} \cup l_{uis} \cup bc_{uis} \cup b_{uis} \cup a_{uis}\}$

209  $= \text{card } h_{uis} + \text{card } l_{uis} + \text{card } bc_{uis} + \text{card } b_{uis} + \text{card } a_{uis} \quad \blacksquare$

### A.3.2 Mereology

#### A.3.2.1 Mereology Types and Observers

210 The mereology of hubs is a pair: (i) the set of all bus and automobile identifiers<sup>4</sup>, and (ii) the set of unique identifiers of the links that it is connected to and the set of all unique identifiers of all vehicles (buses and private automobiles).<sup>5</sup>

211 The mereology of links is a pair: (i) the set of all bus and automobile identifiers, and (ii) the set of the two distinct hubs they are connected to.

212 The mereology of a bus company is a set the unique identifiers of the buses operated by that company.

213 The mereology of a bus is a pair: (i) the set of the one single unique identifier of the bus company it is operating for, and (ii) the unique identifiers of all links and hubs<sup>6</sup>.

214 The mereology of an automobile is the set of the unique identifiers of all links and hubs<sup>7</sup>.

**type**

210  $H\_Mer = V\_UI\text{-set} \times L\_UI\text{-set}$

211  $L\_Mer = V\_UI\text{-set} \times H\_UI\text{-set}$

212  $BC\_Mer = B\_UI\text{-set}$

213  $B\_Mer = BC\_UI \times R\_UI\text{-set}$

214  $A\_Mer = R\_UI\text{-set}$

**value**

210  $\text{mereo\_H}: H \rightarrow H\_Mer$

211  $\text{mereo\_L}: L \rightarrow L\_Mer$

212  $\text{mereo\_BC}: BC \rightarrow BC\_Mer$

213  $\text{mereo\_B}: B \rightarrow B\_Mer$

214  $\text{mereo\_A}: A \rightarrow A\_Mer$

#### A.3.2.2 Invariance of Mereologies

For mereologies one can usually express some invariants. Such invariants express “law-like properties”, facts which are indisputable.

##### A.3.2.2.1 Invariance of Road Nets

The observed mereologies must express identifiers of the state of such for road nets:

<sup>4</sup> This is just another way of saying that the meaning of hub mereologies involves the unique identifiers of all the vehicles that might pass through the hub *is\_of\_interest* to it.

<sup>5</sup> The link identifiers designate the links, zero, one or more, that a hub is connected to *is\_of\_interest* to both the hub and that these links is interested in the hub.

<sup>6</sup> — that the bus might pass through

<sup>7</sup> — that the automobile might pass through

**axiom**

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210  $\forall (vuis, luis): H\_Mer \bullet luis \subseteq l_{uis} \wedge vuis = v_{uis}$ 
211  $\forall (vuis, huis): L\_Mer \bullet vuis = v_{uis} \wedge huis \subseteq h_{uis} \wedge \text{card } huis = 2$ 
212  $\forall buis: H\_Mer \bullet buis = b_{uis}$ 
213  $\forall (bc\_ui, ruis): H\_Mer \bullet bc\_ui \in bc_{uis} \wedge ruis = r_{uis}$ 
214  $\forall ruis: A\_Mer \bullet ruis = r_{uis}$ 

```

215 For all hubs,  $h$ , and links,  $l$ , in the same road net,

216 if the hub  $h$  connects to link  $l$  then link  $l$  connects to hub  $h$ .

**axiom**

```

215  $\forall h: H, l: L \bullet h \in h_s \wedge l \in l_s \Rightarrow$ 
215   let  $(\_, luis) = \text{mereo\_H}(h)$ ,  $(\_, huis) = \text{mereo\_L}(l)$ 
216   in  $\text{uid\_L}(l) \in luis \equiv \text{uid\_H}(h) \in huis$  end

```

217 For all links,  $l$ , and hubs,  $h_a, h_b$ , in the same road net,

218 if the  $l$  connects to hubs  $h_a$  and  $h_b$ , then  $h_a$  and  $h_b$  both connects to link  $l$ .

**axiom**

```

217  $\forall h_a, h_b: H, l: L \bullet \{h_a, h_b\} \subseteq h_s \wedge l \in l_s \Rightarrow$ 
217   let  $(\_, luis) = \text{mereo\_H}(h)$ ,  $(\_, huis) = \text{mereo\_L}(l)$ 
218   in  $\text{uid\_L}(l) \in luis \equiv \text{uid\_H}(h) \in huis$  end

```

**A.3.2.2.2 Possible Consequences of a Road Net Mereology**

219 Are there [isolated] units from which one can not “reach” other units?

220 Does the net consist of two or more “disjoint” nets?

221 Et cetera.

We leave it to the reader to narrate and formalise the above properly.

**A.3.2.2.3 Fixed and Varying Mereology**

Let us consider a road net. If hubs and links never change “affiliation”, that is: hubs are in fixed relation to zero one or more links, and links are in a fixed relation to exactly two hubs then the mereology is a *fixed mereology*. If, on the other hand hubs may be inserted into or removed from the net, and/or links may be removed from or inserted between any two existing hubs, then the mereology is a *varying mereology*.

**A.3.3 Attributes****A.3.3.1 Hub Attributes**

We treat some attributes of the hubs of a road net.

222 There is a hub state. It is a set of pairs,  $(l_f, l_t)$ , of link identifiers, where these link identifiers are in the mereology of the hub. The meaning of the hub state in which, e.g.,  $(l_f, l_t)$  is an element, is that the hub is open, “**green**”, for traffic from link  $l_f$  to link  $l_t$ . If a hub state is empty then the hub is closed, i.e., “**red**” for traffic from any connected links to any other connected links.

- 223 There is a hub state space. It is a set of hub states. The current hub state must be in its state space. The meaning of the hub state space is that its states are all those the hub can attain.
- 224 Since we can think rationally about it, it can be described, hence we can model, as an attribute of hubs, a history of its traffic: the recording, per unique bus and automobile identifier, of the time ordered presence in the hub of these vehicles. Hub history is an *event history*.

```

type
222 HΣ = (L_UI × L_UI)-set
axiom
222 ∀ h:H • obs_HΣ(h) ∈ obs_HΩ(h)
type
223 HΩ = HΣ-set
224 H_Traffic
224 H_Traffic = (A_UI | B_UI)  $\overrightarrow{\text{map}}$  (TIME × VPos)*
axiom
224 ∀ ht:H_Traffic, ui:(A_UI | B_UI) •
224   ui ∈ dom ht ⇒ time_ordered(ht(ui))
value
222 attr_HΣ: H → HΣ
223 attr_HΩ: H → HΩ
224 attr_H_Traffic: H → H_Traffic
value
224 time_ordered: (TIME × VPos)* → Bool
224 time_ordered(tvpl) ≡ ...

```

In Item 224 we model the time-ordered sequence of traffic as a discrete sampling, i.e.,  $\overrightarrow{\text{map}}$ , rather than as a continuous function,  $\rightarrow$ .

### A.3.3.2 Invariance of Traffic States

- 225 The link identifiers of hub states must be in the set,  $l_{ui}S$ , of the road net's link identifiers.

```

axiom
225 ∀ h:H • h ∈ hS ⇒
225   let hσ = attr_HΣ(h) in
225   ∀ (luii, luii'):(L_UI × L_UI) • (luii, luii') ∈ hσ ⇒ {luii, luii'} ⊆ luiS end

```

### A.3.3.3 Link Attributes

We show just a few attributes.

- 226 There is a link state. It is a set of pairs,  $(h_f, h_t)$ , of distinct hub identifiers, where these hub identifiers are in the mereology of the link. The meaning of a link state in which  $(h_f, h_t)$  is an element is that the link is open, “green”, for traffic  $f$  from hub  $h_f$  to hub  $h_t$ . Link states can have either 0, 1 or 2 elements.
- 227 There is a link state space. It is a set of link states. The meaning of the link state space is that its states are all those the which the link can attain. The current link state must be in its state space. If a link state space is empty then the link is (permanently) closed. If it has one element then it is a one-way link. If a one-way link,  $l$ , is imminent on a hub whose mereology designates that link, then the link is a “trap”, i.e., a “blind cul-de-sac”.
- 228 Since we can think rationally about it, it can be described, hence it can model, as an attribute of links a history of its traffic: the recording, per unique bus and automobile identifier, of the time ordered positions along the link (from one hub to the next) of these vehicles.

229 The hub identifiers of link states must be in the set,  $h_{ui}s$ , of the road net's hub identifiers.

```

type
226  $L\Sigma = H\_UI\text{-set}$ 
axiom
226  $\forall l\sigma:L\Sigma \cdot \text{card } l\sigma = 2$ 
226  $\forall l:L \cdot \text{obs\_L}\Sigma(l) \in \text{obs\_L}\Omega(l)$ 
type
227  $L\Omega = L\Sigma\text{-set}$ 
228  $L\_Traffic$ 
228  $L\_Traffic = (A\_UI|B\_UI) \xrightarrow{m} (T \times (H\_UI \times \text{Frac} \times H\_UI))^*$ 
228  $\text{Frac} = \text{Real}$ , axiom  $\text{frac}:\text{Fract} \cdot 0 < \text{frac} < 1$ 
value
226  $\text{attr\_L}\Sigma: L \rightarrow L\Sigma$ 
227  $\text{attr\_L}\Omega: L \rightarrow L\Omega$ 
228  $\text{attr\_L\_Traffic}: : \rightarrow L\_Traffic$ 
axiom
228  $\forall lt:L\_Traffic, ui:(A\_UI|B\_UI) \cdot ui \in \text{dom } ht \Rightarrow \text{time\_ordered}(ht(ui))$ 
229  $\forall l:L \cdot l \in ls \Rightarrow$ 
229   let  $l\sigma = \text{attr\_L}\Sigma(l)$  in  $\forall (h_{uii}, h_{uii'}):(H\_UI \times K\_UI) \cdot$ 
229    $(h_{uii}, h_{uii'}) \in l\sigma \Rightarrow \{h_{uii}, h_{uii'}\} \subseteq h_{ui}s$  end
```

#### A.3.3.4 Bus Company Attributes

Bus companies operate a number of lines that service passenger transport along routes of the road net. Each line being serviced by a number of buses.

230 Bus companies create, maintain, revise and distribute [to the public (not modeled here), and to buses] bus time tables, not further defined.

```

type
230  $\text{BusTimTbl}$ 
value
230  $\text{attr\_BusTimTbl}: BC \rightarrow \text{BusTimTbl}$ 
```

There are two notions of time at play here: the indefinite “real” or “actual” time; and the definite calendar, hour, minute and second time designation occurring in some textual form in, e.g., time tables.

#### A.3.3.5 Bus Attributes

We show just a few attributes.

231 Buses run routes, according to their line number,  $ln:LN$ , in the  
 232 bus time table,  $btt:\text{BusTimTbl}$  obtained from their bus company, and and keep, as inert at-  
 tributes, their segment of that time table.  
 233 Buses occupy positions on the road net:  
     a either *at a hub* identified by some  $h_{ui}$ ,  
     b or *on a link*, some *fraction*,  $f:\text{Fract}$ , down an *identified link*,  $l_{ui}$ , from one of its *identified*  
     *connecting hubs*,  $fh_{ui}$ , in the direction of the other *identified hub*,  $th_{ui}$ .  
 234 Et cetera.



```

type
231  LN
232  BusTimTbl
233  BPos == atHub | onLink
233a  atHub  :: h_ui:H_UI
233b  onLink :: fh_ui:H_UI × l_ui:L_UI × frac:Fract × th_ui:H_UI
233b  Fract  = Real, axiom frac:Fract • 0 < frac < 1
234  ...
value
232  attr_BusTimTbl: B → BusTimTbl
233  attr_BPos: B → BPos

```

### A.3.3.6 Private Automobile Attributes

We illustrate but a few attributes:

235 Automobiles have static number plate registration numbers.

236 Automobiles have dynamic positions on the road net:

[233a] either *at a hub* identified by some  $h\_ui$ ,  
 [233b] or *on a link*, some *fraction*,  $frac:Fract$  down an *identified link*,  $l\_ui$ , from one of its  
*identified connecting hubs*,  $fh\_ui$ , in the direction of the other *identified hub*,  $th\_ui$ .

```

type
235  RegNo
236  APos == atHub | onLink
233a  atHub  :: h_ui:H_UI
233b  onLink :: fh_ui:H_UI × l_ui:L_UI × frac:Fract × th_ui:H_UI
233b  Fract  = Real, axiom frac:Fract • 0 < frac < 1
value
235  attr_RegNo: A → RegNo
236  attr_APos: A → APos

```

Obvious attributes that are not illustrated are those of velocity and acceleration, forward or backward movement, turning right, left or going straight, etc. The *acceleration*, *deceleration*, *even velocity*, or *turning right*, *turning left*, *moving straight*, or *forward* or *backward* are seen as *command actions*. As such they denote actions by the automobile — such as pressing the accelerator, or lifting accelerator pressure or *braking*, or *turning the wheel* in one direction or another, etc. As actions they have a kind of counterpart in the velocity, the acceleration, etc. attributes. Observe that bus companies each have their own distinct *bus time table*, and that these are modeled as *programmable*, Item 230 on the preceding page, page 140. Observe then that buses each have their own distinct *bus time table*, and that these are model-led as *inert*, Item 232 on the facing page, page 140. In Items 72 Pg. 73 and 76 Pg. 74, we illustrated an aspect of domain analysis & description that may seem, and at least some decades ago would have seemed, strange: namely that if we can think, hence speak, about it, then we can model it “as a fact” in the domain. The case in point is that we include among hub and link attributes their histories of the timed whereabouts of buses and automobiles.<sup>8</sup>

<sup>8</sup> In this day and age of road cameras and satellite surveillance these traffic recordings may not appear so strange: We now know, at least in principle, of technologies that can record approximations to the hub and link traffic attributes.

### A.3.3.7 Intentionality

- 237 Seen from the point of view of an automobile there is its own traffic history, *A\_Hist*, which is a (time ordered) sequence of timed automobile's positions;  
 238 seen from the point of view of a hub there is its own traffic history, *H\_Traffic* Item 72 Pg. 73, which is a (time ordered) sequence of timed maps from automobile identities into automobile positions; and  
 239 seen from the point of view of a link there is its own traffic history, *L\_Traffic* Item 76 Pg. 74, which is a (time ordered) sequence of timed maps from automobile identities into automobile positions.

The *intentional "pull"* of these manifestations is this:

- 240 The union, i.e. proper merge of all automobile traffic histories, *AllATH*, must now be identical to the same proper merge of all hub, *AllHTH*, and all link traffic histories, *AllLTH*.

**type**

```
237 A_Hi = (T × APos)*
224 H_Trif = A_UI  $\mapsto$  (TIME × APos)*
228 L_Trif = A_UI  $\mapsto$  (TIME × APos)*
240 AllATH = TIME  $\mapsto$  (AUI  $\mapsto$  APos)
240 AllHTH = TIME  $\mapsto$  (AUI  $\mapsto$  APos)
240 AllLTH = TIME  $\mapsto$  (AUI  $\mapsto$  APos)
```

**axiom**

```
240 let allA = mrg_AllATH(({a, attr_A_Hi(a)} | a:A • a ∈ as)),
240     allH = mrg_AllHTH(({attr_H_Trif(h)} | h:H • h ∈ hs)),
240     allL = mrg_AllLTH(({attr_L_Trif(l)} | l:L • l ∈ ls)) in
240 allA = mrg_HLT(allH, allL) end
```

We leave the definition of the four **merge** functions to the reader! We endow each automobile with its history of timed positions and each hub and link with their histories of timed automobile positions. These histories are facts! They are not something that is laboriously recorded, where such recordings may be imprecise or cumbersome<sup>9</sup>. The facts are there, so we can (but may not necessarily) talk about these histories as facts. It is in that sense that the purpose ('transport') for which man let automobiles, hubs and link be made with their 'transport' intent are subject to an *intentional "pull"*. *It can be no other way: if automobiles "record" their history, then hubs and links must together "record" identically the same history!*

**Intentional Pull – General Transport:** These are examples of human intents: they create *roads* and *automobiles* with the intent of *transport*, they create *houses* with the intents of *living*, *offices*, *production*, etc., and they create *pipelines* with the intent of *oil* or *gas transport* ■

## A.4 Perdurants

In this section we transcendently "morph" **parts** into **behaviours**. We analyse that notion and its constituent notions of **actors**, **channels** and **communication**, **actions** and **events**.

The main transcendental deduction of this chapter is that of associating with each part a behaviour. This section shows the details of that association. Perdurants are understood in terms of a notion of *state* and a notion of *time*.

**State Values versus State Variables:** Item 187 on page 135 expresses the **value** of all parts of a road transport system:

<sup>9</sup> or thought technologically in-feasible – at least some decades ago!

187.  $ps:(UoB|H|L|BC|B|A)\text{-set} \equiv rts \cup hls \cup bcs \cup bs \cup as.$

241 We now introduce the set of variables, one for each part value of the domain being modeled.

241. { **variable**  $vp:(UoB|H|L|BC|B|A) \mid vp:(UoB|H|L|BC|B|A) \cdot vp \in ps$  }

**Buses and Bus Companies** A bus company is like a “root” for its fleet of “sibling” buses. But a bus company may cease to exist without the buses therefore necessarily also ceasing to exist. They may continue to operate, probably illegally, without, possibly, a valid bus driving certificate. Or they may be passed on to either private owners or to other bus companies. We use this example as a reason for not endowing a “block structure” concept on behaviours.

### A.4.1 Channels and Communication

#### A.4.1.1 Channel Message Types

We ascribe types to the messages offered on channels.

242 Hubs and links communicate, both ways, with one another, over channels,  $hl\_ch$ , whose indexes are determined by their mereologies.

243 Hubs send one kind of messages, links another.

244 Bus companies offer timed bus time tables to buses, one way.

245 Buses and automobiles offer their current, timed positions to the road element, hub or link they are on, one way.

**type**

243  $H\_L\_Msg, L\_H\_Msg$

242  $HL\_Msg = H\_L\_Msg \mid L\_F\_Msg$

244  $BC\_B\_Msg = T \times BusTimTbl$

245  $V\_R\_Msg = T \times (BPos|APos)$

#### A.4.1.2 Channel Declarations

246 This justifies the channel declaration which is calculated to be:

**channel**

246 {  $hl\_ch[h\_ui, l\_ui]: H\_L\_Msg \mid h\_ui: H\_UI, l\_ui: L\_UI \cdot i \in h\_uis \wedge j \in lh\_ui m(h\_ui)$  }

246  $\cup$

246 {  $hl\_ch[h\_ui, l\_ui]: L\_H\_Msg \mid h\_ui: H\_UI, l\_ui: L\_UI \cdot l\_ui \in l\_uis \wedge i \in lh\_ui m(l\_ui)$  }

We shall argue for bus company-to-bus channels based on the mereologies of those parts. Bus companies need communicate to all its buses, but not the buses of other bus companies. Buses of a bus company need communicate to their bus company, but not to other bus companies.

247 This justifies the channel declaration which is calculated to be:

**channel**

247 {  $bc\_b\_ch[bc\_ui, b\_ui] \mid bc\_ui: BC\_UI, b\_ui: B\_UI \cdot bc\_ui \in bc\_uis \wedge b\_ui \in b\_uis$  } :  $BC\_B\_Msg$

We shall argue for vehicle to road element channels based on the mereologies of those parts. Buses and automobiles need communicate to all hubs and all links.

248 This justifies the channel declaration which is calculated to be:

**channel**

248 {  $v\_r\_ch[v\_ui, r\_ui] \mid v\_ui:V\_UI, r\_ui:R\_UI \bullet v\_ui \in v\_uis \wedge r\_ui \in r\_uis$  }:  $V\_R\_Msg$

## A.4.2 Behaviours

### A.4.2.1 Road Transport Behaviour Signatures

We first decide on names of behaviours. In the translation schemas we gave schematic names to behaviours of the form  $\mathcal{M}_p$ . We now assign mnemonic names: from part names to names of transcendentally interpreted behaviours and then we assign signatures to these behaviours.

#### A.4.2.1.1 Hub Behaviour Signature

249  $hub_{h_{ui}}$ :

- a there is the usual “triplet” of arguments: unique identifier, mereology and static attributes;
- b then there are the programmable attributes;
- c and finally there are the input/output channel references: first those allowing communication between hub and link behaviours,
- d and then those allowing communication between hub and vehicle (bus and automobile) behaviours.

**value**

249  $hub_{h_{ui}}$ :  
 249a  $h\_ui:H\_UI \times (vuis, luis, \_):H\_Mer \times H\_Q$   
 249b  $\rightarrow (H\Sigma \times H\_Traffic)$   
 249c  $\rightarrow \mathbf{in, out} \{ h\_l\_ch[h\_ui, l\_ui] \mid l\_ui:L\_UI \bullet l\_ui \in luis \}$   
 249d  $\{ ba\_r\_ch[h\_ui, v\_ui] \mid v\_ui:V\_UI \bullet v\_ui \in vuis \} \mathbf{Unit}$   
 249a **pre**:  $vuis = v_{uis} \wedge luis = l_{uis}$

#### A.4.2.1.2 Link Behaviour Signature

250  $link_{l_{ui}}$ :

- a there is the usual “triplet” of arguments: unique identifier, mereology and static attributes;
- b then there are the programmable attributes;
- c and finally there are the input/output channel references: first those allowing communication between hub and link behaviours,
- d and then those allowing communication between link and vehicle (bus and automobile) behaviours.

**value**

250  $link_{l_{ui}}$ :  
 250a  $l\_ui:L\_UI \times (vuis, huis, \_):L\_Mer \times L\_Q$   
 250b  $\rightarrow (L\Sigma \times L\_Traffic)$   
 250c  $\rightarrow \mathbf{in, out} \{ h\_l\_ch[h\_ui, l\_ui] \mid h\_ui:H\_UI \bullet h\_ui \in huis \}$   
 250d  $\{ ba\_r\_ch[l\_ui, v\_ui] \mid v\_ui:(B\_UI|A\_UI) \bullet v\_ui \in vuis \} \mathbf{Unit}$   
 250a **pre**:  $vuis = v_{uis} \wedge huis = h_{uis}$

## A.4.2.1.3 Bus Company Behaviour Signature

251  $\text{bus\_company}_{bc_{ui}}$ :

- a there is here just a “doublet” of arguments: unique identifier and mereology;
- b then there is the one programmable attribute;
- c and finally there are the input/output channel references allowing communication between the bus company and buses.

**value**

251  $\text{bus\_company}_{bc_{ui}}$ :  
 251a  $bc\_ui:BC\_UI \times (\_,\_,buis):BC\_Mer$   
 251b  $\rightarrow \text{BusTimTbl}$   
 251c  $\text{in,out } \{bc\_b\_ch[bc\_ui,b\_ui] | b\_ui:B\_UI \cdot b\_ui \in buis\} \text{ Unit}$   
 251a  $\text{pre: } buis = b_{uis} \wedge huis = h_{uis}$

## A.4.2.1.4 Bus Behaviour Signature

252  $\text{bus}_{b_{ui}}$ :

- a there is here just a “doublet” of arguments: unique identifier and mereology;
- b then there are the programmable attributes;
- c and finally there are the input/output channel references: first the input/output allowing communication between the bus company and buses,
- d and the input/output allowing communication between the bus and the hub and link behaviours.

**value**

252  $\text{bus}_{b_{ui}}$ :  
 252a  $b\_ui:B\_UI \times (bc\_ui,\_,ruis):B\_Mer$   
 252b  $\rightarrow (LN \times BTT \times BPOS)$   
 252c  $\rightarrow \text{out } bc\_b\_ch[bc\_ui,b\_ui],$   
 252d  $\{ba\_r\_ch[r\_ui,b\_ui] | r\_ui:(H\_UI|L\_UI) \cdot ui \in v_{uis}\} \text{ Unit}$   
 252a  $\text{pre: } ruis = r_{uis} \wedge bc\_ui \in bc_{uis}$

## A.4.2.1.5 Automobile Behaviour Signature

253  $\text{automobile}_{a_{ui}}$ :

- a there is the usual “triplet” of arguments: unique identifier, mereology and static attributes;
- b then there is the one programmable attribute;
- c and finally there are the input/output channel references allowing communication between the automobile and the hub and link behaviours.

**value**

253  $\text{automobile}_{a_{ui}}$ :  
 253a  $a\_ui:A\_UI \times (\_,\_,ruis):A\_Mer \times rn:RegNo$   
 253b  $\rightarrow apos:APos$   
 253c  $\text{in,out } \{ba\_r\_ch[a\_ui,r\_ui] | r\_ui:(H\_UI|L\_UI) \cdot r\_ui \in ruis\} \text{ Unit}$   
 253a  $\text{pre: } ruis = r_{uis} \wedge a\_ui \in a_{uis}$  ■

### A.4.2.2 Behaviour Definitions

We only illustrate automobile, hub and link behaviours.

#### A.4.2.2.1 Automobile Behaviour at a Hub

We define the behaviours in a different order than the treatment of their signatures. We “split” definition of the automobile behaviour into the behaviour of automobiles when positioned at a hub, and into the behaviour automobiles when positioned at on a link. In both cases the behaviours include the “idling” of the automobile, i.e., its “not moving”, standing still.

254 We abstract automobile behaviour at a Hub (hui).

255 The vehicle remains at that hub, “idling”,

256 informing the hub behaviour,

257 or, internally non-deterministically,

a moves onto a link, tli, whose “next” hub, identified by th\_ui, is obtained from the mereology of the link identified by tl\_ui;

b informs the hub it is leaving and the link it is entering of its initial link position,

c whereupon the vehicle resumes the vehicle behaviour positioned at the very beginning (0) of that link,

258 or, again internally non-deterministically,

259 the vehicle “disappears — off the radar” !

```

254 automobileaui(a_ui,({},{(ruis,vuis),{}),rn)
254   (apos:atH(fl_ui,h_ui,tl_ui)) ≡
255   (ba_r_ch[a_ui,h_ui] ! (record_TIME(),atH(fl_ui,h_ui,tl_ui)));
256   automobileaui(a_ui,({},{(ruis,vuis),{}),rn)(apos))
257   □
257a  (let ({fh_ui,th_ui},ruis')=mereo.L(∅(tl_ui)) in
257a    assert: fh_ui=h_ui ∧ ruis=ruis'
254   let onl = (tl_ui,h_ui,0,th_ui) in
257b  (ba_r_ch[a_ui,h_ui] ! (record_TIME(),onL(onl)) ||
257b  ba_r_ch[a_ui,tl_ui] ! (record_TIME(),onL(onl))) ;
257c  automobileaui(a_ui,({},{(ruis,vuis),{}),rn)
257c    (onL(onl)) end end)
258   □
259   stop

```

#### A.4.2.2.2 Automobile Behaviour On a Link

260 We abstract automobile behaviour on a Link.

a Internally non-deterministically, either

i the automobile remains, “idling”, i.e., not moving, on the link,

ii however, first informing the link of its position,

b or

i if the automobile’s position on the link *has not yet reached the hub*, then

1 then the automobile moves an arbitrary small, positive **Real**-valued *increment* along the link

2 informing the hub of this,

3 while resuming being an automobile at the new position, or

ii else,  
 1 while obtaining a “next link” from the mereology of the hub (where that next link could very well be the same as the link the vehicle is about to leave),  
 2 the vehicle informs both the link and the imminent hub that it is now at that hub, identified by  $th\_ui$ ,  
 3 whereupon the vehicle resumes the vehicle behaviour positioned at that hub;  
 c or  
 d the vehicle “disappears — off the radar” !

```

260 automobileaui(aui,({},ruis,{}),rno)
260      (vp:onL(fhui,lui,f,thui)) ≡
260(a)ii (ba_r_ch[thui,aui]!atH(lui,thui,nxt_lui) ;
260(a)i  automobileaui(aui,({},ruis,{}),rno)(vp))
260b    □
260(b)i (if not_yet_at_hub(f)
260(b)i then
260(b)i1 (let incr = increment(f) in
254      let onl = (tlui,hui,incr,thui) in
260(b)i2 ba_r_ch[lui,aui] ! onL(onl) ;
260(b)i3 automobileaui(aui,({},ruis,{}),rno)
260(b)i3 (onL(onl))
260(b)i end end)
260(b)ii else
260(b)ii1 (let nxt_lui:L_UI•nxt_lui ∈ mereo_H(∅(thui)) in
260(b)ii2 ba_r_ch[thui,aui]!atH(lui,thui,nxt_lui) ;
260(b)ii3 automobileaui(aui,({},ruis,{}),rno)
260(b)ii3 (atH(lui,thui,nxt_lui)) end)
260(b)i end)
260c    □
260d    stop
260(b)i1 increment: Fract → Fract

```

#### A.4.2.2.3 Hub Behaviour

261 The hub behaviour

- a non-deterministically, externally offers
- b to accept timed vehicle positions —
- c which will be at the hub, from some vehicle,  $v\_ui$ .
- d The timed vehicle hub position is appended to the front of that vehicle’s entry in the hub’s traffic table;
- e whereupon the hub proceeds as a hub behaviour with the updated hub traffic table.
- f The hub behaviour offers to accept from any vehicle.
- g A **post** condition expresses what is really a **proof obligation**: that the hub traffic,  $ht'$  satisfies the **axiom** of the enduring hub traffic attribute Item 72 Pg. 73.

value

```

261 hubhui(hui,(,(luis,vuis)),hω)(hσ,ht) ≡
261a    □
261b    { let m = ba_r_ch[hui,vui] ? in
261c      assert: m=(_,atHub(_,hui,_))
261d      let ht' = ht + [ hui ↦ ⟨m⟩ht(hui) ] in
261e      hubhui(hui,(,(luis,vuis)),(hω))(hσ,ht')

```

```

261f      | v_ui:V_UI•v_ui∈vuis end end }
261g  post: ∀ v_ui:V_UI•v_ui ∈ dom ht'⇒time_ordered(ht'(v_ui))

```

#### A.4.2.2.4 Link Behaviour

262 The link behaviour non-deterministically, externally offers  
 263 to accept timed vehicle positions —  
 264 which will be on the link, from some vehicle,  $v_{ui}$ .  
 265 The timed vehicle link position is appended to the front of that vehicle's entry in the link's  
 traffic table;  
 266 whereupon the link proceeds as a link behaviour with the updated link traffic table.  
 267 The link behaviour offers to accept from any vehicle.  
 268 A **post** condition expresses what is really a **proof obligation**: that the link traffic,  $lt'$  satisfies the  
**axiom** of the enduring link traffic attribute Item 76 Pg. 74.

```

262 linklui(l_ui, (⌊, (huis, vuis), ⌊), lω)(lσ, lt) ≡
262   ⌊
263     { let m = ba_r_ch[l_ui, v_ui] ? in
264       assert: m=(⌊, onLink(⌊, l_ui, ⌊))
265       let lt' = lt + [l_ui ↦ ⟨m⟩∧lt(l_ui)] in
266       linklui(l_ui, (huis, vuis), hω)(hσ, lt')
267     | v_ui:V_UI•v_ui∈vuis end end }
268  post: ∀ v_ui:V_UI•v_ui ∈ dom lt'⇒time_ordered(lt'(v_ui))

```

## A.5 System Initialisation

### A.5.1 Initial States

value

```

hs:H-set ≡ obs_sH(obs_SH(obs_RN(rts)))
ls:L-set ≡ obs_sL(obs_SL(obs_RN(rts)))
bcs:BC-set ≡ obs_BCs(obs_SBC(obs_FV(obs_RN(rts))))
bs:B-set ≡ ∪{obs_Bs(bc)|bc:BC•bc ∈ bcs}
as:A-set ≡ obs_BCs(obs_SBC(obs_FV(obs_RN(rts))))

```

### A.5.2 Initialisation

We are reaching the end of this domain modeling example. Behind us there are narratives and formalisations. Based on these we now express the signature and the body of the definition of a “system build and execute” function.

269 The system to be initialised is

- a the parallel compositions ( $\parallel$ ) of
- b the distributed parallel composition ( $\parallel\{\dots\}\dots$ ) of all hub behaviours,
- c the distributed parallel composition ( $\parallel\{\dots\}\dots$ ) of all link behaviours,
- d the distributed parallel composition ( $\parallel\{\dots\}\dots$ ) of all bus company behaviours,



- e the distributed parallel composition ( $\{\{\dots|\dots\}\}$ ) of all bus behaviours, and
- f the distributed parallel composition ( $\{\{\dots|\dots\}\}$ ) of all automobile behaviours.

**value**

```

269 initial_system: Unit → Unit
269 initial_system() ≡
269b   || { hubhui(hui,me,hω)(htrf,hσ)
269b     | h:H•h ∈ hS, hui:H_UI•hui=uidH(h), me:HMet•me=mereoH(h),
269b     htrf:H_Traffic•htrf=attrH_Traffic(h),
269b     hω:HΩ•hω=attrHΩ(h), hσ:HΣ•hσ=attrHΣ(h) ∧ hσ ∈ hω }
269a   ||
269c   || { linklui(lui,me,lω)(ltrf,lσ)
269c     | l:L•l ∈ lS, lui:L_UI•lui=uidL(l), me:LMet•me=mereoL(l),
269c     ltrf:L_Traffic•ltrf=attrL_Traffic(l),
269c     lω:LΩ•lω=attrLΩ(l), lσ:LΣ•lσ=attrLΣ(l) ∧ lσ ∈ lω }
269a   ||
269d   || { bus_companybcui(bcui,me)(btt)
269d     | bc:BC•bc ∈ bcS, bcui:BC_UI•bcui=uidBC(bc), me:BCMet•me=mereoBC(bc),
269d     btt:BusTimTbl•btt=attrBusTimTbl(bc) }
269a   ||
269e   || { busbui(bui,me)(ln,btt,bpos)
269e     | b:B•b ∈ bS, bui:B_UI•bui=uidB(b), me:BMet•me=mereoB(b), ln:LN•pln=attrLN(b),
269e     btt:BusTimTbl•btt=attrBusTimTbl(b), bpos:BPos•bpos=attrBPos(b) }
269a   ||
269f   || { automobileaui(aui,me,rn)(apos)
269f     | a:A•a ∈ aS, aui:A_UI•aui=uidA(a), me:AMet•me=mereoA(a),
269f     rn:RegNo•rno=attrRegNo(a), apos:APos•apos=attrAPos(a) } ■

```



# Appendix B

## Pipelines, A Draft, Incomplete Example

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Fig. B.1 **The Planned Nabucco Pipeline:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nabucco\\_Pipeline](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nabucco_Pipeline)

## B.1 Illustrations of Pipeline Phenomena

The Nabucco pipeline was, for many years, a planned pipeline involving Austria, Turkey, Iran and other states and companies.



Fig. B.2 **Pipeline Construction**

An example pipeline construction. It shows the linking of pipe segments.

### B.1.1 Pipes



Fig. B.3 **Pipe Segments**

A pipe segment is a straight “tube”-like unit.

### B.1.2 Valves



Fig. B.4 Valves

A pipe valve allows for the control of flow in pipes.

### B.1.3 Pumps

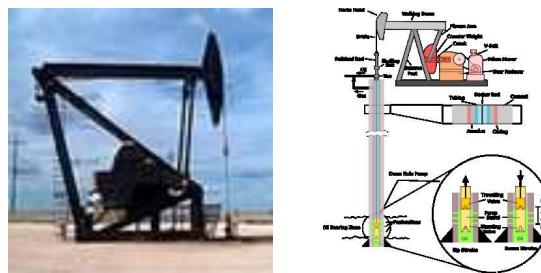


Fig. B.5 Oil Pumps

A pump allows for the “lifting” of, for example, oil, over hilly terrain. The concept of *pump head [height]* is relevant: The *head* is the height at which a pump can raise fluid up and is measured in meters or feet.

### B.1.4 Compressors

A compressor is used for gaseous liquids. Compressors are similar to pumps: both increase the pressure on a fluid and both can transport the fluid through a pipe. As gases are compressible, the compressor also reduces the volume of a gas.

### B.1.5 Pigs

A “pig” is a tool that is sent down a pipeline and propelled by the pressure of the product flow in the pipeline itself. The primary purpose of pipeline pigs is to make sure that the pipe is clean and free from obstruction.



Fig. B.6 Gas Compressors



Fig. B.7 New and Old Pigs



Fig. B.8 Pig Launcher, Receiver

Leftmost: A **Well**. 2nd from left: a **Fork**. Rightmost: a **Sink**.  
Also called SCADA [Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition]

## B.2 Endurants: External Qualities

We follow the ontology of Fig. B.11, the lefthand dashed box labelled *External Qualities*.

### B.2.1 Parts

- 270 A pipeline system contains a set of pipeline units and a pipeline system monitor.  
 271 The well-formedness of a pipeline system depends on its mereology (cf. Sect. B.3.2) and the routing of its pipes (cf. Sect. B.3.3.2).  
 272 A pipeline unit is either a well, a pipe, a pump, a valve, a fork, a join, a plate<sup>10</sup>, or a sink unit.

<sup>10</sup> A *plate* unit is a usually circular, flat steel plate used to “begin” or “end” a pipe segment.

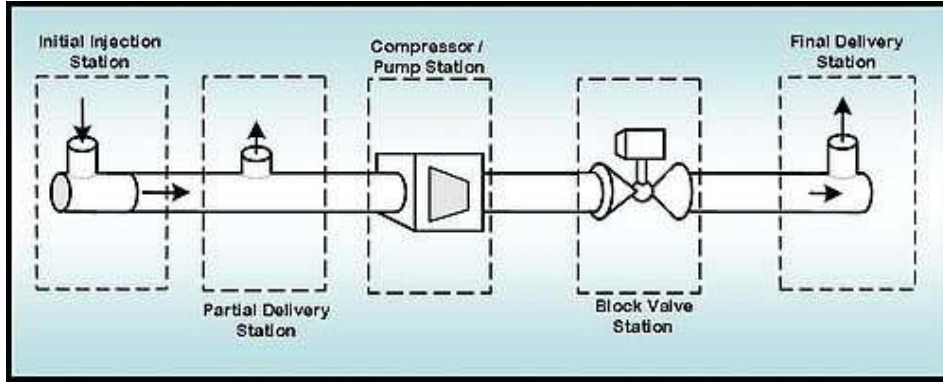


Fig. B.9 A Simple Pipeline

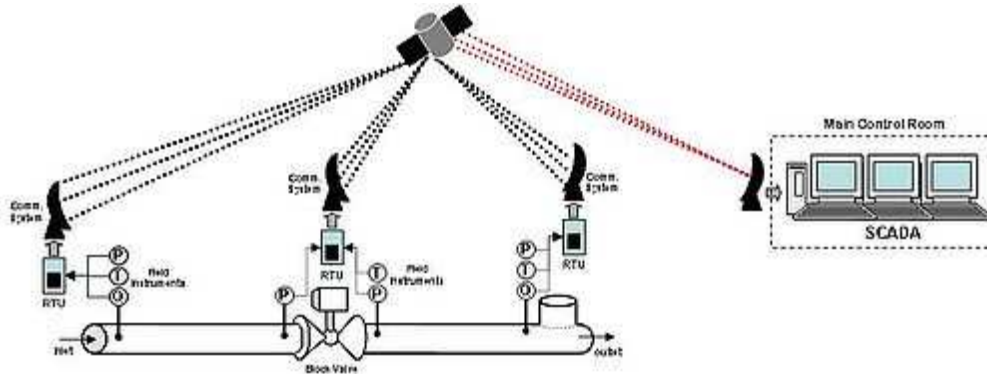


Fig. B.10 A Pipeline Monitoring &amp; Control System Diagram

273 We consider all these units to be distinguishable, i.e., the set of wells, the set pipe, etc., the set of sinks, to be disjoint.

**type**

270.  $PLS', U, M$

271.  $PLS = \{ | pls: PLS' \cdot wf\_PLS(pls) | \}$

**value**

271.  $wf\_PLS: PLS \rightarrow \text{Bool}$

271.  $wf\_PLS(pls) \equiv$

271.  $wf\_Mereology(pls) \wedge wf\_Routes(pls) \wedge wf\_Metrics(pls)^{11}$

270.  $obs\_Us: PLS \rightarrow U\text{-set}$

270.  $obs\_M: PLS \rightarrow M$

**type**

272.  $U = We | Pi | Pu | Va | Fo | Jo | PI | Si$

273.  $We :: \text{Well}$

273.  $Pi :: \text{Pipe}$

273.  $Pu :: \text{Pump}$

273.  $Va :: \text{Valv}$

273.  $Fo :: \text{Fork}$

273.  $Jo :: \text{Join}$

273.  $PI :: \text{Plate}$

273.  $Si :: \text{Sink}$

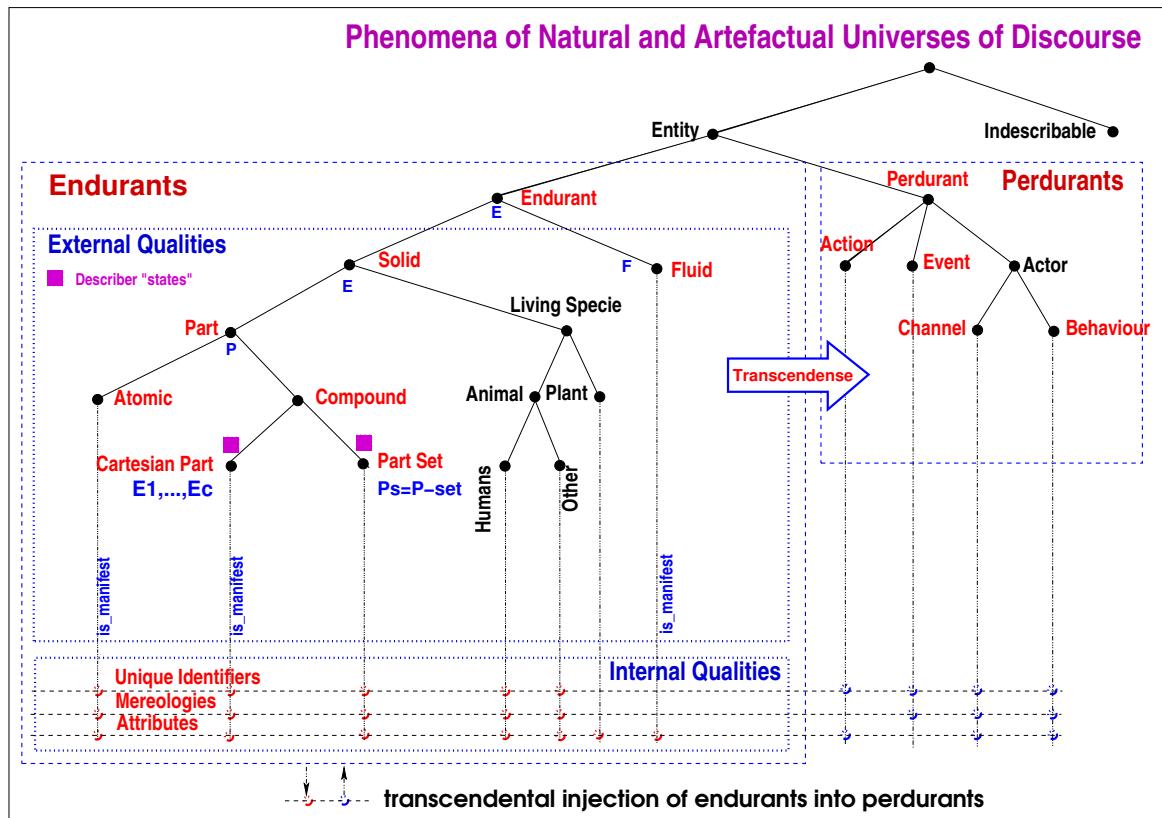


Fig. B.11 Upper Ontology

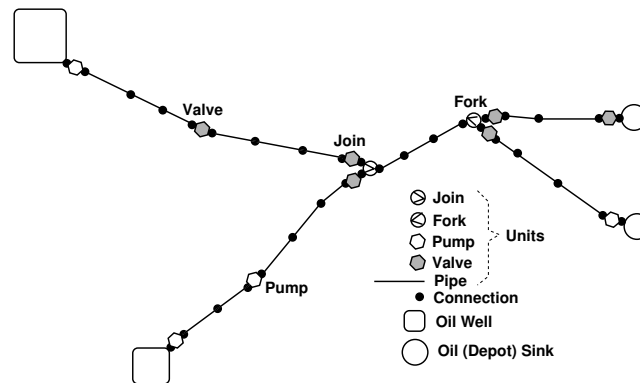


Fig. B.12 An example pipeline system

## B.2.2 An Endurant State

274 For a given pipeline system

275 we exemplify an enduring state  $\sigma$

276 composed of the given pipeline system and all its manifest units, i.e., without plates.

value

<sup>11</sup> wf\_Mereology, wf\_Routes and wf\_Metrics will be explained in Sects. B.3.2.2 on page 158, B.3.3.2 on page 160, and B.3.4.3 on page 163.



274. pls:PLS  
**variable**  
 275.  $\sigma := \text{collect\_state}(\text{pls})$   
**value**  
 276. collect\_state: PLS  
 276.  $\text{collect\_state}(\text{pls}) \equiv \{\text{pls}\} \cup \text{obs\_Us}(\text{pls}) \setminus \text{PI}$

### B.3 Endurants: Internal Qualities

We follow the ontology of Fig. B.11 on the preceding page, the lefthand vertical and horizontal lines.

#### B.3.1 Unique Identification

277 The pipeline system, as such,  
 278 has a unique identifier, distinct (different) from its pipeline unit identifiers.  
 279 Each pipeline unit is uniquely distinguished by its unit identifier.  
 280 There is a state of all unique identifiers.

**type**  
 278. PLSI  
 279. UI  
**value**  
 277. pls:PLS  
 278. uid\_PLS: PLS  $\rightarrow$  PLSI  
 279. uid\_U: U  $\rightarrow$  UI  
**variable**  
 280.  $\sigma_{uid} := \{ \text{uid\_PLS}(\text{pls}) \} \cup \text{xtr\_UIs}(\text{pls})$   
**axiom**  
 279.  $\forall u, u': U \cdot \{u, u'\} \subseteq \text{obs\_Us}(\text{pls}) \Rightarrow (u \neq u' \Rightarrow \text{uid\_UI}(u) \neq \text{uid\_UI}(u'))$   
 279.  $\wedge \text{uid\_PLS}(\text{pls}) \notin \{ \text{uid\_UI}(u) \mid u: U \cdot u \in \text{obs\_Us}(\text{pls}) \}$

281 From a pipeline system one can observe the set of all unique unit identifiers.

**value**  
 281. xtr\_UIs: PLS  $\rightarrow$  UI-set  
 281.  $\text{xtr\_UIs}(\text{pls}) \equiv \{ \text{uid\_UI}(u) \mid u: U \cdot u \in \text{obs\_Us}(\text{pls}) \}$

282 We can prove that the number of unique unit identifiers of a pipeline system equals that of the units of that system.

**theorem:**  
 282.  $\forall \text{pls}: \text{PLS} \cdot \text{card } \text{obs\_Us}(\text{pl}) = \text{card } \text{xtr\_UIs}(\text{pls})$

### B.3.2 Mereology

#### B.3.2.1 PLS Mereology

283 The mereology of a pipeline system is the set of unique identifiers of all the units of that system.

```

type
283. PLS_Mer = UI-set
value
283. mereo_PLS: PLS → PLS_Mer
axiom
283.  $\forall uis: PLS\_Mer \cdot uis = \text{card } xtr\_Uls(pls)$ 

```

#### B.3.2.2 Unit Mereologies

284 Each unit is connected to zero, one or two other existing input units and zero, one or two other existing output units as follows:

- a A well unit is connected to exactly one output unit (and, hence, has no “input”).
- b A pipe unit is connected to exactly one input unit and one output unit.
- c A pump unit is connected to exactly one input unit and one output unit.
- d A valve is connected to exactly one input unit and one output unit.
- e A fork is connected to exactly one input unit and two distinct output units.
- f A join is connected to exactly two distinct input units and one output unit.
- g A plate is connected to exactly one unit.
- h A sink is connected to exactly one input unit (and, hence, has no “output”).

```

type
284. MER = UI-set × UI-set
value
284. mereo_U: U → MER
axiom
284. wf_Mereology: PLS → Bool
284. wf_Mereology(pls) ≡
284.  $\forall u: U \cdot u \in \text{obs\_Us}(pls) \Rightarrow$ 
284.   let (iuis, ouis) = mereo_U(u) in iuis ∪ ouis ⊆ xtr_Uls(pls) ∧
284.   case (u, (card iuis, card ouis)) of
284a.   (mk_We(we), (0, 1)) → true,
284b.   (mk_Pi(pi), (1, 1)) → true,
284c.   (mk_Pu(pu), (1, 1)) → true,
284d.   (mk_Va(va), (1, 1)) → true,
284e.   (mk_Fo(fo), (1, 1)) → true,
284f.   (mk_Jo(jo), (1, 1)) → true,
284f.   (mk_Pl(pl), (0, 1)) → true, “begin”
284f.   (mk_Pl(pl), (1, 0)) → true, “end”
284h.   (mk_Si(si), (1, 1)) → true,
284.   _ → false end end

```

## B.3.3 Pipeline Concepts, I

## B.3.3.1 Pipe Routes

285 A route (of a pipeline system) is a sequence of connected units (of the pipeline system).

286 A route descriptor is a sequence of unit identifiers and the connected units of a route (of a pipeline system).

**type**

285.  $R' = U^\omega$

285.  $R = \{ | r : \text{Route}' \cdot \text{wf\_Route}(r) | \}$

286.  $RD = U^{\omega}$

**axiom**

286.  $\forall rd : RD \cdot \exists r : R \cdot rd = \text{descriptor}(r)$

**value**

286.  $\text{descriptor} : R \rightarrow RD$

286.  $\text{descriptor}(r) \equiv \langle \text{uid\_UI}(r[i]) | i : \text{Nat} \cdot 1 \leq i \leq \text{len } r \rangle$

287 Two units are adjacent if the output unit identifiers of one shares a unique unit identifier with the input identifiers of the other.

**value**

287.  $\text{adjacent} : U \times U \rightarrow \text{Bool}$

287.  $\text{adjacent}(u, u') \equiv \text{let } (, \text{ouis}) = \text{mereo\_U}(u), (, \text{iuis}) = \text{mereo\_U}(u') \text{ in } \text{ouis} \cap \text{iuis} \neq \{ \} \text{ end}$

288 Given a pipeline system, *pls*, one can identify the (possibly infinite) set of (possibly infinite) routes of that pipeline system.

a The empty sequence,  $\langle \rangle$ , is a route of *pls*.

b Let  $u, u'$  be any units of *pls*, such that an output unit identifier of  $u$  is the same as an input unit identifier of  $u'$  then  $\langle u, u' \rangle$  is a route of *pls*.

c If  $r$  and  $r'$  are routes of *pls* such that the last element of  $r$  is the same as the first element of  $r'$ , then  $r \frown r'$  is a route of *pls*.

d No sequence of units is a route unless it follows from a finite (or an infinite) number of applications of the basis and induction clauses of Items 288a–288c.

**value**

288.  $\text{Routes} : \text{PLS} \rightarrow \text{RD-infset}$

288.  $\text{Routes}(pls) \equiv$

288a.  $\text{let } rs = \langle \rangle \cup$

288b.  $\{ \langle \text{uid\_UI}(u), \text{uid\_UI}(u') \rangle | u, u' : U \cdot \{u, u'\} \subseteq \text{obs\_Us}(pls) \wedge \text{adjacent}(u, u') \}$

288c.  $\cup \{ r \frown r' | r, r' : R \cdot \{r, r'\} \subseteq rs \}$

288d.  $\text{in } rs \text{ end}$

## B.3.3.2 Well-formed Routes

289 A route is acyclic if no two route positions reveal the same unique unit identifier.

**value**

289.  $\text{is\_acyclic\_Route} : R \rightarrow \text{Bool}$

289.  $\text{is\_acyclic\_Route}(r) \equiv \sim \exists i, j : \text{Nat} \cdot \{i, j\} \subseteq \text{inds } r \wedge i \neq j \wedge r[i] = r[j]$

290 A pipeline system is well-formed if none of its routes are circular (and all of its routes embedded in well-to-sink routes).

**value**

```
290. wf_Routes: PLS → Bool
290. wf_Routes(pls) ≡
290.   non_circular(pls) ∧ are_embedded_Routes(pls)

290. is_non_circular_PLS: PLS → Bool
290. is_non_circular_PLS(pls) ≡
290.   ∀ r:R • r ∈ routes(p) ∧ acyclic_Route(r)
```

291 We define well-formedness in terms of well-to-sink routes, i.e., routes which start with a well unit and end with a sink unit.

**value**

```
291. well_to_sink_Routes: PLS → R-set
291. well_to_sink_Routes(pls) ≡
291.   let rs = Routes(pls) in
291.   {r | r:R • r ∈ rs ∧ is_We(r[1]) ∧ is_Si(r[len r])} end
```

292 A pipeline system is well-formed if all of its routes are embedded in well-to-sink routes.

```
292. are_embedded_Routes: PLS → Bool
292. are_embedded_Routes(pls) ≡
292.   let wsrs = well_to_sink_Routes(pls) in
292.   ∀ r:R • r ∈ Routes(pls) ⇒
292.     ∃ r':R, i, j: Nat •
292.       r' ∈ wsrs ∧ {i, j} ⊆ inds r' ∧ i ≤ j ∧ r = ⟨r'[k] | k: Nat • i ≤ k ≤ j⟩ end
```

### B.3.3.3 Embedded Routes

293 For every route we can define the set of all its embedded routes.

**value**

```
293. embedded_Routes: R → R-set
293. embedded_Routes(r) ≡ {⟨r[k] | k: Nat • i ≤ k ≤ j⟩ | i, j: Nat • {i, j} ⊆ inds(r) ∧ i ≤ j}
```

### B.3.3.4 A Theorem

294 The following theorem is conjectured:

- a the set of all routes (of the pipeline system)
- b is the set of all well-to-sink routes (of a pipeline system) and
- c all their embedded routes

**theorem:**

```
294. ∀ pls: PLS •
294.   let rs = Routes(pls),
294.   wsrs = well_to_sink_Routes(pls) in
294a. rs =
```

```

294b.    wsrs ∪
294c.    ∪ {{r'|r':R • r' ∈ is_embedded_Routes(r'')} | r'':R • r'' ∈ wsrs}
293. end

```

### B.3.3.5 Fluids

295 The only fluid of concern to pipelines is the gas<sup>12</sup> or liquid<sup>13</sup> which the pipes transport<sup>14</sup>.

```

type
295.    GoL [ = M ]
value
295.    obs_GoL: U → GoL

```

## B.3.4 Attributes

### B.3.4.1 Unit Flow Attributes

296 A number of attribute types characterise units:

- a estimated current well capacity (barrels of oil, etc.),
- b pump height (a static attribute),
- c current pump status (not pumping, pumping; a programmable attribute),
- d current valve status (closed, open; a programmable attribute) and
- e flow (barrels/second, a biddable attribute).

```

type
296a.    WellCap
296b.    Pump_Height
296c.    Pump_State == {|not_pumping,pumping|}
296d.    Valve_State == {|closed,open|}
296e.    Flow

```

297 Flows can be added and subtracted,

298 added distributively and

299 flows can be compared.

```

value
297.    ⊕,⊖: Flow×Flow → Flow
298.    ⊕: Flow-set → Flow
299.    <,≤,=,≠,≥,>: Flow × Flow → Bool

```

300 Properties of pipeline units include

- a estimated current well capacity (barrels of oil, etc.) [a biddable attribute],
- b pipe length [a static attribute],
- c current pump height [a biddable attribute],

<sup>12</sup> Gaseous materials include: air, gas, etc.

<sup>13</sup> Liquid materials include water, oil, etc.

<sup>14</sup> The description of this document is relevant only to gas or oil pipelines.

- d current valve open/close status [a programmable attribute],
- e current [ $\mathcal{L}$ aminar] in-flow at unit input [a monitorable attribute],
- f current [ $\mathcal{L}$ aminar] in-flow leak at unit input [a monitorable attribute],
- g maximum [ $\mathcal{L}$ aminar] guaranteed in-flow leak at unit input [a static attribute],
- h current [ $\mathcal{L}$ aminar] leak unit interior [a monitorable attribute],
- i current [ $\mathcal{L}$ aminar] flow in unit interior [a monitorable attribute],
- j maximum [ $\mathcal{L}$ aminar] guaranteed flow in unit interior [a monitorable attribute],
- k current [ $\mathcal{L}$ aminar] out-flow at unit output [a monitorable attribute],
- l current [ $\mathcal{L}$ aminar] out-flow leak at unit output [a monitorable attribute] and
- m maximum guaranteed [ $\mathcal{L}$ aminar] out-flow leak at unit output [a static attribute].

```

type
300e In_Flow = Flow
300f In_Leak = Flow
300g Max_In_Leak = Flow
300h Body_Flow = Flow
300i Body_Leak = Flow
300j Max_Flow = Flow
300k Out_Flow = Flow
300l Out_Leak = Flow
300m Max_Out_Leak = Flow
value
300a attr_WellCap: We → WellCap
300b attr_LEN: Pi → LEN
300c attr_Height: Pu → Height
300d attr_ValSta: Va → VaSta
300e attr_In_Flow: U → UI → Flow
300f attr_In_Leak: U → UI → Flow
300g attr_Max_In_Leak: U → UI → Flow
300h attr_Body_Flow: U → Flow
300i attr_Body_Leak: U → Flow
300j attr_Max_Flow: U → Flow
300k attr_Out_Flow: U → UI → Flow
300l attr_Out_Leak: U → UI → Flow
300m attr_Max_Out_Leak: U → UI → Flow

```

301 Summarising we can define a two notions of flow:

- a static and
- b monitorable.

```

type
301a Sta_Flows = Max_In_Leak×In_Max_Flow>Max_Out_Leak
301b Mon_Flows = In_Flow×In_Leak×Body_Flow×Body_Leak×Out_Flow×Out_Leak

```

### B.3.4.2 Unit Metrics

Pipelines are laid out in the terrain. Units have length and diameters. Units are positioned in space: have altitude, longitude and latitude positions of its one, two or three connection Points<sup>15</sup>.

- 302 length (a static attribute),
- 303 diameter (a static attribute) and
- 304 position (a static attribute).

```

type
302. LEN
303. ○
304. POS == mk_One(pt:PT) | mk_Two(ipt:PT,opt:PT)
304.      | mk_OneTwo(ipt:PT,opts:(lpt:PT,rpt:PT))
304.      | mk_TwoOne(ipts:(lpt:PT,rpt:PT),opt:PT)
304. PT = Alt × Lon × Lat
304. Alt, Lon, Lat = ...
value
302. attr_LEN: U → LEN

```

<sup>15</sup> 1 for wells, plates and sinks; 2 for pipes, pumps and valves; 1+2 for forks, 2+1 for joins.

303.  $\text{attr}_{\bigcirc}: U \rightarrow \bigcirc$

304.  $\text{attr}_{\text{POS}}: U \rightarrow \text{POS}$

We can summarise the metric attributes:

305 Units are subject to either of four (mutually exclusive) metrics:

- a Length, diameter and a one point position.
- b Length, diameter and a two points position.
- c Length, diameter and a one+two points position.
- d Length, diameter and a two+one points position.

**type**

305.  $\text{Unit\_Sta} = \text{Sta1\_Metric} \mid \text{Sta2\_Metric} \mid \text{Sta12\_Metric} \mid \text{Sta21\_Metric}$

305a  $\text{Sta1\_Metric} = \text{LEN} \times \emptyset \times \text{mk\_One}(\text{pt:PT})$

305b  $\text{Sta2\_Metric} = \text{LEN} \times \emptyset \times \text{mk\_Two}(\text{ipt:PT}, \text{opt:PT})$

305c  $\text{Sta12\_Metric} = \text{LEN} \times \emptyset \times \text{mk\_OneTwo}(\text{ipt:PT}, \text{opts}:(\text{lpt:PT}, \text{rpt:PT}))$

305d  $\text{Sta21\_Metric} = \text{LEN} \times \emptyset \times \text{mk\_TwpOne}(\text{ipts}:(\text{lpt:PT}, \text{rpt:PT}), \text{opt:PT})$

### B.3.4.3 Wellformed Unit Metrics

The points positions of neighbouring units must “fit” one-another.

306 Without going into details we can define a predicate, **wf\_Metrics**, that applies to a pipeline system and yields **true** iff neighbouring units must “fit” one-another.

**value**

306.  $\text{wf\_Metrics}: \text{PLS} \rightarrow \text{Bool}$

306.  $\text{wf\_Metrics}(\text{pls}) \equiv \dots$

### B.3.4.4 Summary

We summarise the static, monitorable and programmable attributes for each manifest part of the pipeline system:

**type**

$\text{PLS\_Sta} = \text{PLS\_net} \times \dots$

$\text{PLS\_Mon} = \dots$

$\text{PLS\_Prg} = \text{PLS\_}\Sigma \times \dots$

$\text{Well\_Sta} = \text{Sta1\_Metric} \times \text{Sta\_Flows} \times \text{Orig\_Cap} \times \dots$

$\text{Well\_Mon} = \text{Mon\_Flows} \times \text{Well\_Cap} \times \dots$

$\text{Well\_Prg} = \dots$

$\text{Pipe\_Sta} = \text{Sta2\_Metric} \times \text{Sta\_Flows} \times \text{LEN} \times \dots$

$\text{Pipe\_Mon} = \text{Mon\_Flows} \times \text{In\_Temp} \times \text{Out\_Temp} \times \dots$

$\text{Pipe\_Prg} = \dots$

$\text{Pump\_Sta} = \text{Sta2\_Metric} \times \text{Sta\_Flows} \times \text{Pump\_Height} \times \dots$

$\text{Pump\_Mon} = \text{Mon\_Flows} \times \dots$

$\text{Pump\_Prg} = \text{Pump\_State} \times \dots$

$\text{Valve\_Sta} = \text{Sta2\_Metric} \times \text{Sta\_Flows} \times \dots$

$\text{Valve\_Mon} = \text{Mon\_Flows} \times \text{In\_Temp} \times \text{Out\_Temp} \times \dots$

$\text{Valve\_Prg} = \text{Valve\_State} \times \dots$

$\text{Fork\_Sta} = \text{Sta12\_Metric} \times \text{Sta\_Flows} \times \dots$

$\text{Fork\_Mon} = \text{Mon\_Flows} \times \text{In\_Temp} \times \text{Out\_Temp} \times \dots$

```

Fork_Prg = ...
Join_Sta = Sta21_Metric×Sta_Flows×...
Join_Mon = Mon_Flows×In_Temp×Out_Temp×...
Join_Prg = ...
Sink_Sta = Sta1_Metric×Sta_Flows×Max_Vol×...
Sink_Mon = Mon_Flows×Curr_Vol×In_Temp×Out_Temp×...
Sink_Prg = ...

```

307 Corresponding to the above three attribute categories we can define “collective” attribute observers:

**value**

```

307. sta_A_We: We → Sta1_Metric×Sta_Flows×Orig_Cap×...
307. mon_A_We: We →  $\eta$ Mon_Flows× $\eta$ Well_Cap× $\eta$ In_Temp× $\eta$ Out_Temp×...
307. prg_A_We: We → ...
307. sta_A_Pi: Pi → Sta2_Metric×Sta_Flows×LEN×...
307. mon_A_Pi: Pi →  $N$ Mon_Flows× $\eta$ In_Temp× $\eta$ Out_Temp×...
307. prg_A_Pi: Pi → ...
307. sta_A_Pu: Pu → Sta2_Metric×Sta_Flows×LEN×...
307. mon_A_Pu: Pu →  $N$ Mon_Flows× $\eta$ In_Temp× $\eta$ Out_Temp×...
307. prg_A_Pu: Pu → Pump_State×...
307. sta_A_Va: Va → Sta2_Metric×Sta_Flows×LEN×...
307. mon_A_Va: Va →  $N$ Mon_Flows× $\eta$ In_Temp× $\eta$ Out_Temp×...
307. prg_A_Va: Va → Valve_State×...
307. sta_A_Fo: Fo → Sta12_Metric×Sta_Flows×...
307. mon_A_Fo: Fo →  $N$ Mon_Flows× $\eta$ In_Temp× $\eta$ Out_Temp×...
307. prg_A_Fo: Fo → ...
307. sta_A_Jo: Jo → Sta21_Metric×Sta_Flows×...
307. mon_A_Jo: Jo → Mon_Flows× $\eta$ In_Temp× $\eta$ Out_Temp×...
307. prg_A_Jo: Jo → ...
307. sta_A_Si: Si → Sta1_Metric×Sta_Flows×Max_Vol×...
307. mon_A_Si: Si →  $N$ Mon_Flows× $\eta$ In_Temp× $\eta$ Out_Temp×...
307. prg_A_Si: Si → ...

```

307.  $N$ Mon\_Flows  $\equiv (\eta$ In\_Flow, $\eta$ In\_Leak, $\eta$ Body\_Flow, $\eta$ Body\_Leak, $\eta$ Out\_Flow, $\eta$ Out\_Leak)

Monitored flow attributes are [to be] passed as arguments to behaviours *by reference* so that their monitorable attribute values can be sampled.

#### B.3.4.5 Fluid Attributes

Fluids, we here assume, oil, as it appears in the pipeline units have no unique identity, have not mereology, but does have attributes: hydrocarbons consisting predominantly of aliphatic, alicyclic and aromatic hydrocarbons. It may also contain small amounts of nitrogen, oxygen, and sulfur compounds

308 We shall simplify, just for illustration, crude oil fluid of units to have these attributes:

- a volume,
- b viscosity,
- c temperature,
- d paraffin content (%age),
- e naphthenes content (%age),



type	value
308. Oil	308b. obs_Oil: $U \rightarrow \text{Oil}$
308a. Vol	308a. attr_Vol: $\text{Oil} \rightarrow \text{Vol}$
308b. Visc	308b. attr_Visc: $\text{Oil} \rightarrow \text{Visc}$
308c. Temp	308c. attr_Temp: $\text{Oil} \rightarrow \text{Temp}$
308d. Paraffin	308d. attr_Paraffin: $\text{Oil} \rightarrow \text{Paraffin}$
308e. Naphtene	308e. attr_Naphtene: $\text{Oil} \rightarrow \text{Naphtene}$

#### B.3.4.6 Pipeline System Attributes

The “root” pipeline system is a compound. In its transcendently deduced behavioral form it is, amongst other “tasks”, entrusted with the monitoring and control of all its units. To do so it must, as a basically static attribute possess awareness, say in the form of a net diagram of how these units are interconnected, together with all their internal qualities, by type and by value. Next we shall give a very simplified account of the possible pipeline system attribute.

309 We shall make use, in this example, of just a simple pipeline state,  $\text{pls}_\omega$ .

The pipeline state,  $\text{pls}_\omega$ , embodies all the information that is relevant to the monitoring and control of an entire pipeline system, whether static or dynamic.

type  
309.  $\text{PLS}_\Omega$

#### B.3.5 Pipeline Concepts, II: Flow Laws

310 “What flows in, flows out !”. For  $\mathcal{L}$ aminar flows: for any non-well and non-sink unit the sums of input leaks and in-flows equals the sums of unit and output leaks and out-flows.

Law:

310.  $\forall u:U \setminus \text{We} \setminus \text{Si} \cdot$   
 310.  $\text{sum\_in\_leaks}(u) \oplus \text{sum\_in\_flows}(u) =$   
 310.  $\text{attr\_body\_Leak}_{\mathcal{L}}(u) \oplus$   
 310.  $\text{sum\_out\_leaks}(u) \oplus \text{sum\_out\_flows}(u)$

value

$\text{sum\_in\_leaks}: U \rightarrow \text{Flow}$   
 $\text{sum\_in\_leaks}(u) \equiv \text{let } (iuis,) = \text{mereo\_U}(u) \text{ in } \oplus \{ \text{attr\_In\_Leak}_{\mathcal{L}}(u)(ui) | ui:U \cdot ui \in iuis \} \text{ end}$   
 $\text{sum\_in\_flows}: U \rightarrow \text{Flow}$   
 $\text{sum\_in\_flows}(u) \equiv \text{let } (iuis,) = \text{mereo\_U}(u) \text{ in } \oplus \{ \text{attr\_In\_Flow}_{\mathcal{L}}(u)(ui) | ui:U \cdot ui \in iuis \} \text{ end}$   
 $\text{sum\_out\_leaks}: U \rightarrow \text{Flow}$   
 $\text{sum\_out\_leaks}(u) \equiv \text{let } (ouis) = \text{mereo\_U}(u) \text{ in } \oplus \{ \text{attr\_Out\_Leak}_{\mathcal{L}}(u)(ui) | ui:U \cdot ui \in ouis \} \text{ end}$   
 $\text{sum\_out\_flows}: U \rightarrow \text{Flow}$   
 $\text{sum\_out\_flows}(u) \equiv \text{let } (ouis) = \text{mereo\_U}(u) \text{ in } \oplus \{ \text{attr\_Out\_Flow}_{\mathcal{L}}(u)(ui) | ui:U \cdot ui \in ouis \} \text{ end}$

311 “What flows out, flows in !”. For  $\mathcal{L}$ aminar flows: for any adjacent pairs of units the output flow at one unit connection equals the sum of adjacent unit leak and in-flow at that connection.

Law:

311.  $\forall u, u': U \cdot \text{adjacent}(u, u') \Rightarrow$   
 311.  $\text{let } (ouis) = \text{mereo\_U}(u), (iuis') = \text{mereo\_U}(u') \text{ in}$

```

311.  assert: uid_U(u') ∈ ouis ∧ uid_U(u) ∈ iuis '
311.  attr_Out_FlowL(u)(uid_U(u')) =
311.  attr_In_LeakL(u)(uid_U(u)) ⊕ attr_In_FlowL(u')(uid_U(u)) end

```

These “laws” should hold for a pipeline system without plates.

## B.4 Perdurants

We follow the ontology of Fig. B.11 on page 156, the right-hand dashed box labeled *Perdurants* and the right-hand vertical and horizontal lines.

### B.4.1 State

We introduce concepts of *manifest* and *structure* endurants. The former are such compound endurants (Cartesians of sets) to which we ascribe internal qualities; the latter are such compound endurants (Cartesians of sets) to which we **do not** ascribe internal qualities. The distinction is pragmatic.

- 312 For any given pipeline system we suggest the state to consist of the manifest endurants of all its non-plate units.

**value**

312.  $\sigma = \text{obs\_Us}(\text{pls})$

### B.4.2 Channel

- 313 There is a [global] array channel indexed by a “set pair” of distinct manifest enduring part identifiers – signifying the possibility of the synchronisation and communication between any pair of pipeline units and between these and the pipeline system, cf. last, i.e., bottom-most diagram of Fig. B.10 on page 155.

**channel**

313.  $\{ \text{ch}[\{i,j\}] \mid \{i,j\} : (\text{PLSI} \mid \text{UI}) \cdot \{i,j\} \subseteq \sigma_{id} \}$

### B.4.3 Actions

These are, informally, some of the actions of a pipeline system:

- 314 **start pumping:** from a state of not pumping to a state of pumping “at full blast!”.<sup>16</sup>  
 315 **stop pumping:** from a state of (full) pumping to a state of no pumping at all.  
 316 **open valve:** from a state of a fully closed valve to a state of fully open valve.<sup>17</sup>  
 317 **close valve:** from a state of a fully opened valve to a state of fully closed valve.

We shall not define these actions in this paper. But they will be referred to in the *pipeline\_system* (Items 336a, 336b, 336c), the *pump* (Items 339a, 339b) and the *valve* (Items 342a, 342b) behaviours.

<sup>16</sup> – that is, we simplify, just for the sake of illustration, and do not consider “intermediate” states of pumping.

<sup>17</sup> – cf. Footnote 16.

### B.4.4 Behaviours

#### B.4.4.1 Behaviour Kinds

There are eight kinds of behaviours:

- |  |                                    |
|--|------------------------------------|
| 318 the pipeline system behaviour; <sup>18</sup> | 322 the [generic] valve behaviour, |
| 319 the [generic] well behaviour,                | 323 the [generic] fork behaviour,  |
| 320 the [generic] pipe behaviour,                | 324 the [generic] join behaviour,  |
| 321 the [generic] pump behaviour,                | 325 the [generic] sink behaviour.  |

#### B.4.4.2 Behaviour Signatures

- 326 The *pipeline\_system* behaviour, *pls*,  
 327 The *well* behaviour signature lists the unique well identifier, the well mereology, the static well attributes, the monitorable well attributes, the programmable well attributes and the channels over which the well [may] interact with the pipeline system and a pipeline unit.  
 328 The *pipe* behaviour signature lists the unique pipe identifier, the pipe mereology, the static pipe attributes, the monitorable pipe attributes, the programmable pipe attributes and the channels over which the pipe [may] interact with the pipeline system and its two neighbouring pipeline units.  
 329 The *pump* behaviour signature lists the unique pump identifier, the pump mereology, the static pump attributes, the monitorable pump attributes, the programmable pump attributes and the channels over which the pump [may] interact with the pipeline system and its two neighbouring pipeline units.  
 330 The *valve* behaviour signature lists the unique valve identifier, the valve mereology, the static valve attributes, the monitorable valve attributes, the programmable valve attributes and the channels over which the valve [may] interact with the pipeline system and its two neighbouring pipeline units.  
 331 The *fork* behaviour signature lists the unique fork identifier, the fork mereology, the static fork attributes, the monitorable fork attributes, the programmable fork attributes and the channels over which the fork [may] interact with the pipeline system and its three neighbouring pipeline units.  
 332 The *join* behaviour signature lists the unique join identifier, the join mereology, the static join attributes, the monitorable join attributes, the programmable join attributes and the channels over which the join [may] interact with the pipeline system and its three neighbouring pipeline units.  
 333 The *sink* behaviour signature lists the unique sink identifier, the sink mereology, the static sing attributes, the monitorable sing attributes, the programmable sink attributes and the channels over which the sink [may] interact with the pipeline system and its one or more pipeline units.

#### value

326.  $pls: pls:PLSI \rightarrow pls\_mer:PLS\_Mer \rightarrow PLS\_Sta \rightarrow PLS\_Mon \rightarrow$   
 326.  $PLS\_Prg \rightarrow \{ ch[\{plsi,ui\}] \mid ui:UI \cdot ui \in \sigma_{ui} \} \mathbf{Unit}$   
 327.  $well: wid:WI \rightarrow well\_mer:MER \rightarrow Well\_Sta \rightarrow Well\_mon \rightarrow$   
 327.  $Well\_Prgr \rightarrow \{ ch[\{plsi,ui\}] \mid wi:WI \cdot ui \in \sigma_{ui} \} \mathbf{Unit}$   
 328.  $\pi_{ipe}: UI \rightarrow pipe\_mer:MER \rightarrow Pipe\_Sta \rightarrow Pipe\_mon \rightarrow$   
 328.  $Pipe\_Prgr \rightarrow \{ ch[\{plsi,ui\}] \mid ui:UI \cdot ui \in \sigma_{ui} \} \mathbf{Unit}$   
 329.  $pump: pi:UI \rightarrow pump\_mer:MER \rightarrow Pump\_Sta \rightarrow Pump\_Mon \rightarrow$

<sup>18</sup> This “PLS” behaviour summarises the either global, i.e., SCADA<sup>19</sup>-like behaviour, or the fully distributed, for example, manual, human-operated behaviour of the monitoring and control of the entire pipeline system.

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```

329. Pump_Prgr → { ch[ {plsi,ui} ] | ui:UI • ui ∈ σui } Unit
330. valve: vi:UI → valve_mer:MER → Valve_Sta → Valve_Mon →
330. Valve_Prgr → { ch[ {plsi,ui} ] | ui:UI • ui ∈ σui } Unit
331. fork: fi:FI → fork_mer:MER → Fork_Sta → Fork_Mon →
331. Fork_Prgr → { ch[ {plsi,ui} ] | ui:UI • ui ∈ σui } Unit
332. join: ji:JI → join_mer:MER → Join_Sta → Join_Mon →
332. Join_Prgr → { ch[ {plsi,ui} ] | ui:UI • ui ∈ σui } Unit
333. sink: si:SI → sink_mer:MER → Sink_Sta → Sink_Mon →
333. Sink_Prgr → { ch[ {plsi,ui} ] | ui:UI • ui ∈ σui } Unit

```

#### B.4.4.2.1 Behaviour Definitions

We show the definition of only three behaviours:

- the **pipe\_line.system** behaviour,
- the **pump** behaviour and
- the **valve** behaviour.

#### B.4.4.2.2 The Pipeline System Behaviour

334 The pipeline system behaviour

335 calculates, based on its programmable state, its next move;

336 if that move is [to be] an action on a named

- a pump, whether to start or stop pumping, then the named pump is so informed, whereupon the pipeline system behaviour resumes in the new pipeline state; or
- b valve, whether to open or close the valve, then the named valve is so informed, whereupon the pipeline system behaviour resumes in the new pipeline state; or
- c unit, to collect its monitorable attribute values for monitoring, whereupon the pipeline system behaviour resumes in the further updated pipeline state;
- d et cetera;

**value**

```

334. pls(plsi)(uis)(pls_msta)(pls_mon)(pls_ω) ≡
335. let (to_do,pls_ω') = calculate_next_move(plsi,pls_mer,pls_msta,pls_mon,pls_prgr) in
336. case to_do of
336a mk_Pump(pi,α) →
336a   ch[ {plsi,pi} ] ! α assert: α ∈ {stop_pumping,pump};
336a   pls(plsi)(pls_mer)(pls_msta)(pls_mon)(pls_ω'),
336b mk_Valve(vi,α) →
336b   ch[ {plsi,vi} ] ! α assert: α ∈ {open_valve,close_valve};
336b   pls(plsi)(pls_mer)(pls_msta)(pls_mon)(pls_ω'),
336c mk_Unit(ui,monitor) →
336c   ch[ {plsi,ui} ] ! monitor;
336c   pls(plsi)(pls_mer)(pls_msta)(pls_mon)(update_pls_ω(ch[ {plsi,ui} ] ?,ui)(pls_ω')),
336d ... end
334. end

```

We leave it to the reader to define the `calculate_next_move` function !

## B.4.4.2.3 The Pump Behaviours

337 The [generic] pump behaviour internal non-deterministically alternates between  
 338 doing own work (...), or  
 339 accepting pump directives from the pipeline behaviour.

- a If the directive is either to start or stop pumping, then that is what happens – whereupon the pump behaviour resumes in the new pumping state.
- b If the directive requests the values of all monitorable attributes, then these are *gathered*, communicated to the pipeline system behaviour – whereupon the pump behaviour resumes in the “old” state.

value

```

337. pump( $\pi$ )(pump_mer)(pump_sta)(pump_mon)(pump_prgr)  $\equiv$ 
338. ...
339.  $\square$  let  $\alpha = \text{ch}[\{\text{plsi}, \pi\}]$  ? in
339.   case  $\alpha$  of
339a.     stop_pumping  $\vee$  pump
339a.        $\rightarrow$  pump( $\pi$ )(pump_mer)(pump_sta)(pump_mon)( $\alpha$ )20end,
339b.     monitor
339b.        $\rightarrow$  let mvs = gather_monitorable_values( $\pi$ , pump_mon) in
339b.         ch[ $\{\text{plsi}, \pi\}$ ] ! mvs;
339b.         pump( $\pi$ )(pump_mer)(pump_sta)(pump_mon)(pump_prgr) end
339.   end

```

We leave it to the reader to define the `gather_monitorable_values` function.

## B.4.4.2.4 The Valve Behaviours

340 The [generic] valve behaviour internal non-deterministically alternates between  
 341 doing own work (...), or  
 342 accepting valve directives from the pipeline system.

- a If the directive is either to open or close the valve, then that is what happens – whereupon the pump behaviour resumes in the new valve state.
- b If the directive requests the values of all monitorable attributes, then these are *gathered*, communicated to the pipeline system behaviour – whereupon the valve behaviour resumes in the “old” state.

value

```

340. valve( $\text{vi}$ )(valv_mer)(valv_sta)(valv_mon)(valv_prgr)  $\equiv$ 
341. ...
342.  $\square$  let  $\alpha = \text{ch}[\{\text{plsi}, \pi\}]$  ? in
342.   case  $\alpha$  of
342a.     open_valve  $\vee$  close_valve
342a.        $\rightarrow$  valve( $\text{vi}$ )(valv_mer)(valv_sta)(valv_mon)( $\alpha$ )21end,
342b.     monitor
342b.        $\rightarrow$  let mvs = gather_monitorable_values( $\text{vi}$ , valv_mon) in
342b.         ch[ $\{\text{plsi}, \pi\}$ ] ! ( $\text{vi}$ , mvs);
342b.         valve( $\text{vi}$ )(valv_mer)(valv_sta)(valv_mon)(valv_prgr) end
342.   end

```

<sup>20</sup> Updating the programmable pump state to either **stop\_pumping** or **pump** shall here be understood to mean that the pump is set to not pump, respectively to pump.

#### B.4.4.3 Sampling Monitorable Attribute Values

Static and programmable attributes are, as we have seen, *passed by value* to behaviours. Monitorable attributes “surreptitiously” change their values so, as a technical point, these are *passed by reference* – by *passing attribute type names*.

- 343 From the name,  $\eta A$ , of a monitorable attribute and the unique identifier,  $u_i$ , of the part having the named monitorable attribute one can then, “dynamically”, “on-the-fly”, as the part behaviour “moves-on”, retrieve the value of the monitorable attribute. This can be illustrated as follows:  
 344 The unique identifier  $u_i$  is used in order to retrieve, from the global parts state,  $\sigma$ , that identified part,  $p$ .  
 345 Then  $\text{attr}_A$  is applied to  $p$ .

**value**

343.  $\text{retr}_U: U \rightarrow \Sigma \rightarrow U$   
 343.  $\text{retr}_U(u_i)(\sigma) \equiv \text{let } u:U \bullet u \in \sigma \wedge \text{uid}_U(u) = u_i \text{ in } u \text{ end}$   
 344.  $\text{retr\_AttrVal}: U \times \eta A \rightarrow \Sigma \rightarrow A$   
 345.  $\text{retr\_AttrVal}(u_i)(\eta A)(\sigma) \equiv \text{attr}_A(\text{retr}_U(u_i)(\sigma))$

$\text{retr\_AttrVal}(\dots)(\dots)(\dots)$  can now be applied in the body of the behaviour definitions, for example in `gather_monitorable_values`.

#### B.4.4.4 System Initialisation

System initialisation means to “morph” all manifest parts into their respective behaviours, initialising them with their respective attribute values.

- 346 The *pipeline system* behaviour is initialised 349 all initialised *pump*,  
 and “put” in parallel with the parallel com- 350 all initialised *valve*,  
 positions of 351 all initialised *fork*,  
 347 all initialised *well*, 352 all initialised *join* and  
 348 all initialised *pipe*, 353 all initialised *sink* behaviours.<sup>22</sup>

**value**

346.  $\text{pls}(\text{uid\_PLS}(\text{pls}))(\text{mereo\_PLS}(\text{pls}))((\text{pls}))((\text{pls}))((\text{pls}))$   
 347.  $\parallel \{ \text{well}(\text{uid}_U(\text{we}))(\text{mereo}_U(\text{we}))(\text{sta}_A\text{\_We}(\text{we}))(\text{mon}_A\text{\_We}(\text{we}))(\text{prg}_A\text{\_We}(\text{we})) \mid \text{we:Well} \bullet \text{w} \in \sigma \}$   
 348.  $\parallel \{ \text{pipe}(\text{uid}_U(\text{pi}))(\text{mereo}_U(\text{pi}))(\text{sta}_A\text{\_Pi}(\text{pi}))(\text{mon}_A\text{\_Pi}(\text{pi}))(\text{prg}_A\text{\_Pi}(\text{pi})) \mid \text{pi:Pi} \bullet \text{pi} \in \sigma \}$   
 349.  $\parallel \{ \text{pump}(\text{uid}_U(\text{pu}))(\text{mereo}_U(\text{pu}))(\text{sta}_A\text{\_Pu}(\text{pu}))(\text{mon}_A\text{\_Pu}(\text{pu}))(\text{prg}_A\text{\_Pu}(\text{pu})) \mid \text{pu:Pump} \bullet \text{pu} \in \sigma \}$   
 350.  $\parallel \{ \text{valv}(\text{uid}_U(\text{va}))(\text{mereo}_U(\text{va}))(\text{sta}_A\text{\_Va}(\text{va}))(\text{mon}_A\text{\_Va}(\text{va}))(\text{prg}_A\text{\_Va}(\text{va})) \mid \text{va:Well} \bullet \text{va} \in \sigma \}$   
 351.  $\parallel \{ \text{fork}(\text{uid}_U(\text{fo}))(\text{mereo}_U(\text{fo}))(\text{sta}_A\text{\_Fo}(\text{fo}))(\text{mon}_A\text{\_Fo}(\text{fo}))(\text{prg}_A\text{\_Fo}(\text{fo})) \mid \text{fo:Fork} \bullet \text{fo} \in \sigma \}$   
 352.  $\parallel \{ \text{join}(\text{uid}_U(\text{jo}))(\text{mereo}_U(\text{jo}))(\text{sta}_A\text{\_Jo}(\text{jo}))(\text{mon}_A\text{\_J}(\text{jo}))(\text{prg}_A\text{\_J}(\text{jo})) \mid \text{jo:Join} \bullet \text{jo} \in \sigma \}$   
 353.  $\parallel \{ \text{sink}(\text{uid}_U(\text{si}))(\text{mereo}_U(\text{si}))(\text{sta}_A\text{\_Si}(\text{si}))(\text{mon}_A\text{\_Si}(\text{si}))(\text{prg}_A\text{\_Si}(\text{si})) \mid \text{si:Sink} \bullet \text{si} \in \sigma \}$

The  $\text{sta}_{\dots}$ ,  $\text{mon}_{\dots}$ , and  $\text{prg}_A\text{\_}\dots$  functions are defined in Items 307 on page 164.

Note:  $\parallel \{ f(u)(\dots) \mid u:U \bullet u \in \sigma \} \equiv ()$ .

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<sup>21</sup> Updating the programmable valve state to either **open\_valve** or **close\_valve** shall here be understood to mean that the valve is set to open, respectively to closed position.

<sup>22</sup> Plates are treated as are structures, i.e., not “behaviourised”!

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We present an RSL Primer. Indented text, in slanted font, such as this, presents informal material and examples. Non-indented text, in roman font, presents narrative and formal explanation of RSL constructs.

This RSL Primer omits treatment of a number of language constructs, notably the RSL module concepts of *schemes*, *classes* and *objects*. Although we do cover the imperative language construct of [declaration of] variables and, hence, assignment, we shall omit treatment of structured imperative constructs like **for** ..., **do** *s* **while** *b*, **while** *b* **do** *s* loops.

Section C.13 on page 198 introduces additional language constructs, thereby motivating the <sup>+</sup> in the RSL<sup>+</sup> name.

## C.1 Specification Units

An RSL specification consists of a set (textually ordered in any linear sequence) of *specification units*. We shall only treat five kinds of such units:

- *type*: Prefixed by the keyword (literal) **type**, type specification units introduce distinct type names. The general form of a type specification unit is:

**type** T = Type.Expression

where T is a distinct (type) identifier. Type specification units may introduce several (new, distinct) types:

**type** T1 = Type.Expression\_1, T2 = Type.Expression\_2, ..., Tn = Type.Expression\_n

For more on types, see Sect. C.2.

- **value**: Prefixed by the keyword (literal) **value** value specification units introduce distinct value names. The general form of a value specification unit is:

**value** a:A =  $\mathcal{E}(\dots)$

where  $\mathcal{E}(\dots)$  is a value expression. Value specification units may introduce several (new, distinctly named) values:

**value** a\_1:A\_1 =  $\mathcal{E}_1(\dots)$ , a\_2:A\_2 =  $\mathcal{E}_2(\dots)$ , ..., a\_n:A\_n =  $\mathcal{E}_n(\dots)$

Quite often the value specification is of the form:

**value** f: A  $\rightarrow$  B, f(arg)  $\equiv \mathcal{E}(\dots[f]\dots)$

that is: the value is a function,  $f$ , whose *signature* gives the name,  $f$ , and the type of the functionality A  $\rightarrow$  B (or A  $\leadsto$  B). Most of this chapter will cover aspects of value expressions.

- **axiom**: Prefixed by the keyword (literal) **axiom**, axiom specification units serve to limit values. The general form of an axiom specification unit is:

**axiom**  $\mathcal{A}(\dots)$

where  $\mathcal{A}(\dots)$  is some predicate expression over (specification unit) defined quantities. For more on axiomatic expressions, see Sect. C.3.

- **variable**: Prefixed by the keyword (literal) **variable**, variable specification units introduce distinct variable names. The general form of a variable specification unit is:

**variable** v:T := expression

where v is ..., T is ..., and expression is a value expression. For variables, see Sect. C.9.2.

- **channel**: Prefixed by the keyword (literal) **channel**, channel specification units introduce distinct channel names.

The general form of a channel specification unit is:

**channel** { ch[ {i,j} ] | i,j:UI • ... } M

where ch is a distinct, here channel, name, we are declaring an array of channels. ch[{i,j}] expresses that, {i,j} ranges of so-called unique identifier indices of type UI, and M is a type expression. For more on channels, see Sect. C.10.1.

This chapter will otherwise be conventionally structured.

## C.2 Types and Values

*I*: Types are, in general, set-like structures<sup>23</sup> of things, i.e., values, having common characteristics.

A bunch of zero, one or more apples (type apples) may thus form a [sub]set of type Belle de Boskoop apples. A bunch of zero, one or more pears (type pears) may thus form a [sub]set of type Concorde pears. A union of zero, one or more of these apples and pears then form a [sub]set of entities of type fruits. ■

<sup>23</sup> We shall not, in this primer, go into details as to the mathematics of types.

## C.2.1 Sort and Type Expressions

Sort and type expressions are expressions whose values are types, that is, possibly infinite set-like structures of values (of “that” type).

### C.2.1.1 Atomic Types: Identifier Expressions and Type Values

Atomic types have (atomic) values. That is, values which we consider to have no proper constituent (sub-)values, i.e., cannot, to us, be meaningfully “taken apart”.

RSL has a number of [so-called] built-in atomic types. They are expressed in terms of literal identifiers. These are the **Booleans**, **integers**, **Natural numbers**, **Reals**, **Characters**, and **Texts**. **Texts** are free-form texts and are more general than just texts of RSL-like formulas. RSL-**Text**’s will be introduced in Sect. C.13 on page 198.

We shall not need the base types **Characters**, nor the general type **Texts** for domain modelling in this primer. They will be listed below, but not mentioned further.

The base types are:

Basic Types	
type	
[1]	Bool
[2]	Int
[3]	Nat
[4]	Real
[5]	Char
[6]	Text

- 1 The Boolean type of truth values **false** and **true**.
- 2 The integer type on integers ..., -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, ... .
- 3 The natural number type of positive integer values 0, 1, 2, ...
- 4 The real number type of real values, i.e., values whose numerals can be written as an integer, followed by a period (“.”), followed by a natural number (the fraction).
- 5 The character type of character values “a”, “bbb”, ...
- 6 The text type of character string values “aa”, “aaa”, ..., “abc”, ...

### C.2.1.2 Composite Types: Expressions and Type Values

Composite types have composite values. That is, values which we consider to have proper constituent (sub-)values, i.e., can, to us, be meaningfully “taken apart”.

From these one can form type expressions: finite sets, infinite sets, Cartesian products, lists, maps, etc.

Let A, B and C be any type names or type expressions, then these are the composite types, hence, type expressions:

Composite Type Expressions	
[7]	A-set
[8]	A-infset
[9]	$A \times B \times \dots \times C$
[10]	$A^*$
[11]	$A^\omega$

[12]	$A \twoheadrightarrow B$
[13]	$A \rightarrow B$
[14]	$A \dot{\rightarrow} B$
[15]	$A \mid B \mid \dots \mid C$
[16]	$\text{mk\_id}(\text{sel\_a}:A, \dots, \text{sel\_b}:B)$
[17]	$\text{sel\_a}:A \dots \text{sel\_b}:B$

The following are generic type expressions:

- 7 The set type of finite cardinality set values.
- 8 The set type of infinite and finite cardinality set values.
- 9 The Cartesian type of Cartesian values.
- 10 The list type of finite length list values.
- 11 The list type of infinite and finite length list values.
- 12 The map type of finite definition set map values.
- 13 The function type of total function values.
- 14 The function type of partial function values.
- 15 The postulated disjoint union of types  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $\dots$ , and  $C$ .
- 16 The record type of  $\text{mk\_id}$ -named record values  $\text{mk\_id}(av, \dots, bv)$ , where  $av, \dots, bv$ , are values of respective types. The distinct identifiers  $\text{sel\_a}$ , etc., designate selector functions.
- 17 The record type of unnamed record values  $(av, \dots, bv)$ , where  $av, \dots, bv$ , are values of respective types. The distinct identifiers  $\text{sel\_a}$ , etc., designate selector functions.

Section **C.13** on page 198 introduces the extended RSL concepts of type name values and the type,  $\mathbb{T}$ , of type names.

## C.2.2 Type Definitions

### C.2.2.1 Sorts — Abstract Types

Types can be (abstract) sorts in which case their structure is not specified:

	Sorts	
<pre>type   A, B, ..., C</pre>		

### C.2.2.2 Concrete Types

Types can be concrete in which case the structure of the type is specified by type expressions:

	Type Definition	
<pre>type   A = Type_expr</pre>		

**RSL Example: Sets. Narrative:**  $H$  stand for the domain type of street intersections – we shall call then hubs, and let  $L$  stand for the domain type of segments of streets between immediately neighboring hubs – we shall call then links. Then  $Hs$  and  $Ls$  are to designate the types of finite sets of zero, one or more hubs, respectively links. **Formalisation:**

type H, L, Hs=H-set, Ls=L-set •

**RSL Example: Cartesians. Narrative:** Let *RN* stand for the domain type of road nets consisting of hub aggregates, *HA*, and link aggregates, *LA*. Hub and link aggregates can be observed from road nets, and hub sets and link sets can be observed from hub, respectively link aggregates.

**Formalisation:**

```
type RN = HA×LA, Hs, Ls
value obs_HA: RN→HA, obs_LA: RN→LA, obs_Hs: HA→Hs, obs_Ls: LA→Ls
```

Observer functions, *obs\_...* are not further defined – beyond their signatures. They will (subsequently) be defined through axioms over their results •

Some schematic type definitions are:

#### Variety of Type Definitions

```
[18] Type_name = Type_expr /* without | s or subtypes */
[19] Type_name = Type_expr_1 | Type_expr_2 | ... | Type_expr_n
[20] Type_name ==
      mk_id_1(s_a1:Type_name_a1,...,s_ai:Type_name_ai) |
      ... |
      mk_id_n(s_z1:Type_name_z1,...,s_zk:Type_name_zk)
[21] Type_name :: sel_a:Type_name_a ... sel_z:Type_name_z
[22] Type_name = { | v:Type_name' • P(v) }
```

where a form of [19–20] is provided by combining the types:

#### Record Types

```
[23] Type_name = A | B | ... | Z
[24] A == mk_id_1(s_a1:A_1,...,s_ai:A_i)
[25] B == mk_id_2(s_b1:B_1,...,s_bj:B_j)
[26] ...
[27] Z == mk_id_n(s_z1:Z_1,...,s_zk:Z_k)
```

Of these we shall almost exclusively make use of [23–27].

**Disjoint Types. Narrative:** A pipeline consists of a finite set of zero, one or more [interconnected]<sup>24</sup> pipe units. Pipe units are either wells, or are pumps, or are valves, or are joins, or are forks, or are sinks. **Formalisation:**

```
type PL = P-set, P == WU|PU|VA|JO|FO|SI, Wu,Pu,Vu,Ju,Fu,Su
WU::mkWU(swu:Wu), PU::mkPU(spu:Pu), VA::mkVU(svu:Vu),
JO::mkJu(sju:Ju), FO::mkFu(sfu:Fu), SI::mkSi(ssu:Su)
```

where we leave types *Wu*, *Pu*, *Vu*, *Ju*, *Fu* and *Su* further undefined •

Types *A*, *B*, ..., *Z* are disjoint, i.e., shares no values, provided all *mk\_id\_k* are distinct and due to the use of the disjoint record type constructor *==*.

**axiom**

```
∀ a1:A_1, a2:A_2, ..., ai:Ai •
  s_a1(mk_id_1(a1,a2,...,ai))=a1 ∧ s_a2(mk_id_1(a1,a2,...,ai))=a2 ∧
  ... ∧ s_ai(mk_id_1(a1,a2,...,ai))=ai ∧
  ∀ a:A • let mk_id_1(a1',a2',...,ai') = a in
    a1' = s_a1(a) ∧ a2' = s_a2(a) ∧ ... ∧ ai' = s_ai(a) end
```

**Note:** Values of type  $A$ , where that type is defined by  $A::B \times C \times D$ , can be expressed  $A(b,c,d)$  for  $b:B, c:D, d:D$ .

### C.2.2.3 Subtypes

In RSL, each type represents a set of values. Such a set can be delimited by means of predicates. The set of values  $b$  which have type  $B$  and which satisfy the predicate  $\mathcal{P}$ , constitute the subtype  $A$ :

	Subtypes	
<b>type</b>	$A = \{   b:B \cdot \mathcal{P}(b)   \}$	

**Subtype. Narrative:** The subtype of even natural numbers.

**Formalisation:**  $\text{ENat} = \{ | \text{en} | \text{en:Nat} \cdot \text{is\_even\_natural\_number}(\text{en}) | \} \bullet$

## C.3 The Propositional and Predicate Calculi

### C.3.1 Propositions

*I: In logic, a proposition is the meaning of a declarative sentence. [A declarative sentence is a type of sentence that makes a statement] •*

#### C.3.1.1 Propositional Expressions

*I: Propositional expressions, informally speaking, are quantifier-free expressions having truth (or **chaos**) values.  $\forall, \exists$  and  $\exists!$  are quantifiers, see below.*

*Below, we will first treat propositional expressions all of whose identifiers denote truth values. As we progress, in sections on arithmetic, sets, list, maps, etc., we shall extend the range of propositional expressions •*

Let identifiers (or propositional expressions)  $a, b, \dots, c$  designate Boolean values (**true** or **false** [or **chaos**]). Then:

	Propositional Expressions	
<b>false, true</b>	$a, b, \dots, c \sim a, a \wedge b, a \vee b, a \Rightarrow b, a = b, a \neq b$	

are propositional expressions having Boolean values.  $\sim, \wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow, =, \neq$  and  $\square$  are Boolean connectives (i.e., operators). They can be read as: **not, and, or, if then** (or **implies**), **equal, not equal** and **always**.

### C.3.1.2 Propositional Calculus

*I: Propositional calculus is a branch of logic. It is also called propositional logic, statement logic, sentential calculus, sentential logic, or sometimes zeroth-order logic. It deals with propositions (which can be true or false) and relations between propositions, including the construction of arguments based on them. Compound propositions are formed by connecting propositions by logical connectives. Propositions that contain no logical connectives are called atomic propositions [Wikipedia] ■*

A simple two-value Boolean logic can be defined as follows:

```

type
  Bool
value
  true, false
  ~: Bool → Bool
  ∧, ∨, ⇒, =, ≠, ≡: Bool × Bool → Bool
axiom
  ∀ b,b':Bool •
    ~b ≡ if b then false else true end
    b ∧ b' ≡ if b then b' else false end
    b ∨ b' ≡ if b then true else b' end
    b ⇒ b' ≡ if b then b' else true end
    b = b' ≡ if (b ∧ b') ∨ (~b ∧ ~b') then true else false end
    (b ≠ b') ≡ ~(b = b')
    (b ≡ b') ≡ (b = b')

```

We shall, however, make use of a three-value Boolean logic. The model-theory explanation of the meaning of propositional expressions is now given in terms of the *truth tables* for the logic connectives:

∨, ∧, and ⇒ Syntactic Truth Tables

∨	true	false	chaos	∧	true	false	chaos	⇒	true	false	chaos
true	true	true	true	true	true	false	chaos	true	true	false	chaos
false	true	false	chaos	false	false	false	false	false	true	true	true
chaos	chaos	chaos	chaos	chaos	chaos	chaos	chaos	chaos	chaos	chaos	chaos

The two-value logic defined earlier ‘transpires’ from the **true,false** columns and rows of the above truth tables.

### C.3.2 Predicates

*I: Predicates are mathematical assertions that contains variables, sometimes referred to as predicate variables, and may be true or false depending on those variables’ value or values<sup>25</sup> ■*

<sup>25</sup> <https://calcworkshop.com/logic/predicate-logic/>, and: predicate logic, first-order logic or quantified logic is a formal language in which propositions are expressed in terms of predicates, variables and quantifiers. It is different from propositional logic which lacks quantifiers <https://brilliant.org/wiki/predicate-logic/>.



## C.3.2.1 Predicate Expressions

Let  $x, y, \dots, z$  (or term expressions) designate non-Boolean values, and let  $\mathcal{P}(x)$ ,  $\mathcal{Q}(y)$  and  $\mathcal{R}(z)$  be propositional or predicate expressions, then:

## Simple Predicate Expressions

[28]  $\forall x:X \cdot \mathcal{P}(x)$   
 [29]  $\exists y:Y \cdot \mathcal{Q}(y)$   
 [30]  $\exists! z:Z \cdot \mathcal{R}(z)$

are quantified, i.e., predicate expressions.  $\forall$ ,  $\exists$  and  $\exists!$  are the quantifiers.

## C.3.2.2 Predicate Calculus

They are “read” as:

[28] For all  $x$  (values in type  $X$ ) the predicate  $\mathcal{P}(x)$  holds – if that is not the case the expression yields truth value **false**.

[29] There exists (at least) one  $y$  (value in type  $Y$ ) such that the predicate  $\mathcal{Q}(y)$  holds – if that is not the case the expression yields truth value **false**.

[30] There exists a unique  $z$  (value in type  $Z$ ) such that the predicate  $\mathcal{R}(z)$  holds – if that is not the case the expression yields truth value **false**.

[28–30] The predicates  $\mathcal{P}(x)$ ,  $\mathcal{Q}(y)$  or  $\mathcal{R}(z)$  may yield **chaos** in which case the whole expression yields **chaos**.

## C.4 Arithmetics

*I: RSL offers the usual set of arithmetic operators. From these the usual kind of arithmetic expressions can be formed. ■*

## Arithmetic

**type**  
 Nat, Int, Real  
**value**  
 $+, -, *: \text{Nat} \times \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat} \mid \text{Int} \times \text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Int} \mid \text{Real} \times \text{Real} \rightarrow \text{Real}$   
 $/: \text{Nat} \times \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat} \mid \text{Int} \times \text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Int} \mid \text{Real} \times \text{Real} \rightarrow \text{Real}$   
 $<, \leq, =, \neq, \geq, > (\text{Nat} \mid \text{Int} \mid \text{Real}) \rightarrow (\text{Nat} \mid \text{Int} \mid \text{Real})$

## C.5 Comprehensive Expressions

*I: Comprehensive expressions are common in mathematics texts. They capture properties conveniently abstractly. ■*

## C.5.1 Set Enumeration and Comprehension

### C.5.1.1 Set Enumeration

Let the below  $a$ 's denote values of type  $A$ :

	Set Enumerations	
$\{\{\}, \{a\}, \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}, \dots\} \in \mathbf{A\text{-}set}$ $\{\{\}, \{a\}, \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}, \dots, \{e_1, e_2, \dots\}\} \in \mathbf{A\text{-}infset}$		

### C.5.1.2 Set Comprehension

The expression, last line below, to the right of the  $\equiv$ , expresses set comprehension. The expression “builds” the set of values satisfying the given predicate. It is abstract in the sense that it does not do so by following a concrete algorithm.

	Set Comprehension	
<pre> type   A, B   P = A → Bool   Q = A → B value   comprehend: A-infset × P × Q → B-infset   comprehend(s,P,Q) ≡ { Q(a)   a:A • a ∈ s ∧ P(a) } </pre>		

### C.5.1.3 Cartesian Enumeration

Let  $e$  range over values of Cartesian types involving  $A, B, \dots, C$ , then the below expressions are simple Cartesian enumerations:

	Cartesian Enumerations	
<pre> type   A, B, ..., C   A × B × ... × C value   (e1,e2,...,en) </pre>		

## C.5.2 List Enumeration and Comprehension

### C.5.2.1 List Enumeration

Let  $a$  range over values of type  $A$ , then the below expressions are simple list enumerations:

	List Enumerations	
	$\{\langle \rangle, \langle e \rangle, \dots, \langle e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n \rangle, \dots\} \in A^*$ $\{\langle \rangle, \langle e \rangle, \dots, \langle e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n \rangle, \dots, \langle e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n, \dots \rangle, \dots\} \in A^\omega$ $\langle a_i .. a_j \rangle$	

The last line above assumes  $a_i$  and  $a_j$  to be integer-valued expressions. It then expresses the set of integers from the value of  $e_i$  to and including the value of  $e_j$ . If the latter is smaller than the former, then the list is empty.

### C.5.2.2 List Comprehension

The last line below expresses list comprehension.

	List Comprehension	
<b>type</b> $A, B, P = A \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}, Q = A \rightarrow B$ <b>value</b> $\text{comprehend}: A^\omega \times P \times Q \rightarrow B^\omega$ $\text{comprehend}(l, P, Q) \equiv \langle Q(l(i)) \mid i \text{ in } \langle 1..len\ l \rangle \cdot P(l(i)) \rangle$		

## C.5.3 Map Enumeration and Comprehension

### C.5.3.1 Map Enumeration

Let (possibly indexed)  $u$  and  $v$  range over values of type  $T1$  and  $T2$ , respectively, then the below expressions are simple map enumerations:

	Map Enumerations	
<b>type</b> $T1, T2$ $M = T1 \rightarrow T2$ <b>value</b> $u, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n: T1, v, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n: T2$ $[], [u \mapsto v], \dots, [u_1 \mapsto v_1, u_2 \mapsto v_2, \dots, u_n \mapsto v_n] \forall \in M$		

### C.5.3.2 Map Comprehension

The last line below expresses map comprehension:

Map Comprehension

```

type
  U, V, X, Y
  M = U  $\xrightarrow{m}$  V
  F = U  $\xrightarrow{\sim}$  X
  G = V  $\xrightarrow{\sim}$  Y
  P = U  $\rightarrow$  Bool
value
  comprehend: M  $\times$  F  $\times$  G  $\times$  P  $\rightarrow$  (X  $\xrightarrow{m}$  Y)
  comprehend(m, F, G, P)  $\equiv$  [ F(u)  $\mapsto$  G(m(u)) | u:U • u  $\in$  dom m  $\wedge$  P(u) ]

```

## C.6 Operations

### C.6.1 Set Operations

#### C.6.1.1 Set Operator Signatures

Set Operator Signatures

```

value
  18  $\in$ : A  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  Bool
  19  $\notin$ : A  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  Bool
  20  $\cup$ : A-infset  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  A-infset
  21  $\cup$ : (A-infset)-infset  $\rightarrow$  A-infset
  22  $\cap$ : A-infset  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  A-infset
  23  $\cap$ : (A-infset)-infset  $\rightarrow$  A-infset
  24  $\setminus$ : A-infset  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  A-infset
  25  $\subset$ : A-infset  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  Bool
  26  $\subseteq$ : A-infset  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  Bool
  27  $=$ : A-infset  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  Bool
  28  $\neq$ : A-infset  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  Bool
  29 card: A-infset  $\xrightarrow{\sim}$  Nat

```

#### C.6.1.2 Set Operation Examples

Set Operation Examples

```

examples
  a  $\in$  {a,b,c}
  a  $\notin$  {}, a  $\notin$  {b,c}
  {a,b,c}  $\cup$  {a,b,d,e} = {a,b,c,d,e}

```

$$\begin{aligned} \cup\{\{a\},\{a,b\},\{a,d\}\} &= \{a,b,d\} \\ \{a,b,c\} \cap \{c,d,e\} &= \{c\} \\ \cap\{\{a\},\{a,b\},\{a,d\}\} &= \{a\} \\ \{a,b,c\} \setminus \{c,d\} &= \{a,b\} \\ \{a,b\} &\subset \{a,b,c\} \\ \{a,b,c\} &\subseteq \{a,b,c\} \\ \{a,b,c\} &= \{a,b,c\} \\ \{a,b,c\} &\neq \{a,b\} \\ \text{card } \{\} &= 0, \text{ card } \{a,b,c\} = 3 \end{aligned}$$

### C.6.1.3 Informal Set Operator Explication

The following is **not** a definition of RSL semantics. In RSL formulas we present an explication of RSL operators. Read, what appears as definitions,  $\equiv$ , as [a kind of] identities.

- 18  $\in$ : The membership operator expresses that an element is a member of a set.
- 19  $\notin$ : The nonmembership operator expresses that an element is not a member of a set.
- 20  $\cup$ : The infix union operator. When applied to two sets, the operator gives the set whose members are in either or both of the two operand sets.
- 21  $\cup$ : The distributed prefix union operator. When applied to a set of sets, the operator gives the set whose members are in some of the operand sets.
- 22  $\cap$ : The infix intersection operator. When applied to two sets, the operator gives the set whose members are in both of the two operand sets.
- 23  $\cap$ : The prefix distributed intersection operator. When applied to a set of sets, the operator gives the set whose members are in some of the operand sets.
- 24  $\setminus$ : The set complement (or set subtraction) operator. When applied to two sets, the operator gives the set whose members are those of the left operand set which are not in the right operand set.
- 25  $\subseteq$ : The proper subset operator expresses that all members of the left operand set are also in the right operand set.
- 26  $\subset$ : The proper subset operator expresses that all members of the left operand set are also in the right operand set, and that the two sets are not identical.
- 27  $=$ : The equal operator expresses that the two operand sets are identical.
- 28  $\neq$ : The nonequal operator expresses that the two operand sets are not identical.
- 29 **card**: The cardinality operator gives the number of elements in a finite set.

### C.6.1.4 Set Operator Explications

The set operations can be “equated” as follows:

Set Operator Explications	
<b>value</b>	
$s' \cup s''$	$\equiv \{ a \mid a:A \cdot a \in s' \vee a \in s'' \}$
$s' \cap s''$	$\equiv \{ a \mid a:A \cdot a \in s' \wedge a \in s'' \}$
$s' \setminus s''$	$\equiv \{ a \mid a:A \cdot a \in s' \wedge a \notin s'' \}$
$s' \subseteq s''$	$\equiv \forall a:A \cdot a \in s' \Rightarrow a \in s''$
$s' \subset s''$	$\equiv s' \subseteq s'' \wedge \exists a:A \cdot a \in s'' \wedge a \notin s'$
$s' = s''$	$\equiv \forall a:A \cdot a \in s' \equiv a \in s'' \equiv s \subseteq s' \wedge s' \subseteq s$
$s' \neq s''$	$\equiv s' \cap s'' \neq \{\}$
<b>card</b> $s$	$\equiv$

```

    if s = {} then 0 else
    let a:A • a ∈ s in 1 + card (s \ {a}) end end
    pre s /* is a finite set */
    card s ≡ chaos /* tests for infinity of s */

```

## C.6.2 Cartesian Operations

### Cartesian Operations

<b>type</b> A, B, C g0: $G0 = A \times B \times C$ g1: $G1 = (A \times B \times C)$ g2: $G2 = (A \times B) \times C$ g3: $G3 = A \times (B \times C)$	$(va, vb, vc):G1$ $((va, vb), vc):G2$ $(va3, (vb3, vc3)):G3$
<b>value</b> va:A, vb:B, vc:C, vd:D $(va, vb, vc):G0,$	<b>decomposition expressions</b> let (a1,b1,c1) = g0, $(a1',b1',c1') = g1$ in .. end let ((a2,b2),c2) = g2 in .. end let (a3,(b3,c3)) = g3 in .. end

## C.6.3 List Operations

### C.6.3.1 List Operator Signatures

#### List Operator Signatures

```

value
  hd:  $A^\omega \leadsto A$ 
  tl:  $A^\omega \leadsto A^\omega$ 
  len:  $A^\omega \leadsto \text{Nat}$ 
  inds:  $A^\omega \rightarrow \text{Nat-infset}$ 
  elems:  $A^\omega \rightarrow A\text{-infset}$ 
  .(.):  $A^\omega \times \text{Nat} \leadsto A$ 
   $\widehat{\cdot}$ :  $A^* \times A^\omega \rightarrow A^\omega$ 
  =:  $A^\omega \times A^\omega \rightarrow \text{Bool}$ 
  ≠:  $A^\omega \times A^\omega \rightarrow \text{Bool}$ 

```

## C.6.3.2 List Operation Examples

## List Operation Examples

```

examples
  hd⟨a1,a2,...,am⟩=a1
  tl⟨a1,a2,...,am⟩=⟨a2,...,am⟩
  len⟨a1,a2,...,am⟩=m
  inds⟨a1,a2,...,am⟩={1,2,...,m}
  elems⟨a1,a2,...,am⟩={a1,a2,...,am}
  ⟨a1,a2,...,am⟩(i)=ai
  ⟨a,b,c⟩^⟨a,b,d⟩ = ⟨a,b,c,a,b,d⟩
  ⟨a,b,c⟩=⟨a,b,c⟩
  ⟨a,b,c⟩≠⟨a,b,d⟩

```

## C.6.3.3 Informal List Operator Explication

The following is **not** a definition of RSL semantics. In RSL formulas we present an explication of RSL operators. Read, what appears as definitions,  $\equiv$ , as [a kind of] identities.

- **hd**: Head gives the first element in a nonempty list.
- **tl**: Tail gives the remaining list of a nonempty list when Head is removed.
- **len**: Length gives the number of elements in a finite list.
- **inds**: Indices give the set of indices from 1 to the length of a nonempty list. For empty lists, this set is the empty set as well.
- **elems**: Elements gives the possibly infinite set of all distinct elements in a list.
- $\ell(i)$ : Indexing with a natural number,  $i$  larger than 0, into a list  $\ell$  having a number of elements larger than or equal to  $i$ , gives the  $i$ th element of the list.
- $\widehat{\phantom{x}}$ : Concatenates two operand lists into one. The elements of the left operand list are followed by the elements of the right. The order with respect to each list is maintained.
- $=$ : The equal operator expresses that the two operand lists are identical.
- $\neq$ : The nonequal operator expresses that the two operand lists are not identical.

The operations can also be defined as follows:

## C.6.3.4 List Operator Explications

The following is **not** a definition of RSL semantics. In RSL formulas we present an explication of RSL operators. Read, what appears as definitions,  $\equiv$ , as [a kind of] identities.

## List Operator Explications

```

value
  is_finite_list:  $A^\omega \rightarrow \text{Bool}$ 

  len q  $\equiv$ 
    case is_finite_list(q) of
      true  $\rightarrow$  if q =  $\langle \rangle$  then 0 else 1 + len tl q end,
      false  $\rightarrow$  chaos end

  inds q  $\equiv$ 

```

```

case is_finite_list(q) of
  true → { i | i:Nat • 1 ≤ i ≤ len q },
  false → { i | i:Nat • i≠0 } end

elems q ≡ { q(i) | i:Nat • i ∈ inds q }

q(i) ≡
  if i=1
  then
    if q≠⟨⟩
    then let a:A,q':Q • q=⟨a⟩^q' in a end
    else chaos end
  else q(i-1) end

fq ^ iq ≡
  ⟨ if 1 ≤ i ≤ len fq then fq(i) else iq(i - len fq) end
    | i:Nat • if len iq≠chaos then i ≤ len fq+len end ⟩
pre is_finite_list(fq)

iq' = iq'' ≡
  inds iq' = inds iq'' ∧ ∀ i:Nat • i ∈ inds iq' ⇒ iq'(i) = iq''(i)

iq' ≠ iq'' ≡ ~(iq' = iq'')

```

## C.6.4 Map Operations

### C.6.4.1 Map Operator Signatures

#### Map Operator Signatures

```

value
[30] ·(·): M → A → B
[31] dom: M → A-infset [domain of map]
[32] rng: M → B-infset [range of map]
[33] †: M × M → M [override extension]
[34] ∪: M × M → M [merge ∪]
[35] \: M × A-infset → M [restriction by]
[36] /: M × A-infset → M [restriction to]
[37] =,≠: M × M → Bool
[38] °: (A → B) × (B → C) → (A → C) [composition]

```

### C.6.4.2 Map Operation Examples

#### Map Operation Examples

```

value

```



```

[30]  $m(a) = b$ 
[31] dom  $[a1 \mapsto b1, a2 \mapsto b2, \dots, an \mapsto bn] = \{a1, a2, \dots, an\}$ 
[32] rng  $[a1 \mapsto b1, a2 \mapsto b2, \dots, an \mapsto bn] = \{b1, b2, \dots, bn\}$ 
[33]  $[a \mapsto b, a' \mapsto b', a'' \mapsto b''] \dagger [a' \mapsto b'', a'' \mapsto b'] = [a \mapsto b, a' \mapsto b'', a'' \mapsto b']$ 
[34]  $[a \mapsto b, a' \mapsto b', a'' \mapsto b''] \cup [a''' \mapsto b'''] = [a \mapsto b, a' \mapsto b', a'' \mapsto b'', a''' \mapsto b''']$ 
[35]  $[a \mapsto b, a' \mapsto b', a'' \mapsto b''] \setminus \{a\} = [a' \mapsto b', a'' \mapsto b'']$ 
[37]  $[a \mapsto b, a' \mapsto b', a'' \mapsto b''] / \{a', a''\} = [a' \mapsto b', a'' \mapsto b'']$ 
[38]  $[a \mapsto b, a' \mapsto b'] \circ [b \mapsto c, b' \mapsto c', b'' \mapsto c''] = [a \mapsto c, a' \mapsto c']$ 

```

#### C.6.4.3 Informal Map Operation Explication

- $m(a)$ : Application gives the element that  $a$  maps to in the map  $m$ .
- **dom**: Domain/Definition Set gives the set of values which maps to in a map.
- **rng**: Range/Image Set gives the set of values which are mapped to in a map.
- $\dagger$ : Override/Extend. When applied to two operand maps, it gives the map which is like an override of the left operand map by all or some “pairings” of the right operand map.
- $\cup$ : Merge. When applied to two operand maps, it gives a merge of these maps.
- $\setminus$ : Restriction. When applied to two operand maps, it gives the map which is a restriction of the left operand map to the elements that are not in the right operand set.
- $/$ : Restriction. When applied to two operand maps, it gives the map which is a restriction of the left operand map to the elements of the right operand set.
- $=$ : The equal operator expresses that the two operand maps are identical.
- $\neq$ : The nonequal operator expresses that the two operand maps are not identical.
- $\circ$ : Composition. When applied to two operand maps, it gives the map from definition set elements of the left operand map,  $m_1$ , to the range elements of the right operand map,  $m_2$ , such that if  $a$  is in the definition set of  $m_1$  and maps into  $b$ , and if  $b$  is in the definition set of  $m_2$  and maps into  $c$ , then  $a$ , in the composition, maps into  $c$ .

#### C.6.4.4 Map Operator Explication

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The map operations can also be defined as follows:

##### Map Operator Explications

```

value
  rng  $m \equiv \{ m(a) \mid a:A \cdot a \in \text{dom } m \}$ 

   $m1 \dagger m2 \equiv$ 
     $[ a \mapsto b \mid a:A, b:B \cdot$ 
       $a \in \text{dom } m1 \setminus \text{dom } m2 \wedge b = m1(a) \vee a \in \text{dom } m2 \wedge b = m2(a) ]$ 

   $m1 \cup m2 \equiv [ a \mapsto b \mid a:A, b:B \cdot$ 
     $a \in \text{dom } m1 \wedge b = m1(a) \vee a \in \text{dom } m2 \wedge b = m2(a) ]$ 

   $m \setminus s \equiv [ a \mapsto m(a) \mid a:A \cdot a \in \text{dom } m \setminus s ]$ 
   $m / s \equiv [ a \mapsto m(a) \mid a:A \cdot a \in \text{dom } m \cap s ]$ 

   $m1 = m2 \equiv$ 

```

$$\begin{aligned} \text{dom } m1 &= \text{dom } m2 \wedge \forall a:A \cdot a \in \text{dom } m1 \Rightarrow m1(a) = m2(a) \\ m1 \neq m2 &\equiv \sim(m1 = m2) \\ m^\circ n &\equiv \\ &[ a \mapsto c \mid a:A, c:C \cdot a \in \text{dom } m \wedge c = n(m(a)) ] \\ \text{pre rng } m &\subseteq \text{dom } n \end{aligned}$$

## C.7 $\lambda$ -Calculus + Functions

*I: The  $\lambda$ -Calculus is a foundation for the abstract specification language that RSL is ■*

### C.7.1 The $\lambda$ -Calculus Syntax

#### $\lambda$ -Calculus Syntax

```
type /* A BNF Syntax: */
  <L> ::= <V> | <F> | <A> | ( <A> )
  <V> ::= /* variables, i.e. identifiers */
  <F> ::=  $\lambda$ <V> . <L>
  <A> ::= ( <L><L> )
value /* Examples */
  <L>: e, f, a, ...
  <V>: x, ...
  <F>:  $\lambda x \cdot e$ , ...
  <A>: f a, (f a), f(a), (f)(a), ...
```

### C.7.2 Free and Bound Variables

#### Free and Bound Variables

Let  $x, y$  be variable names and  $e, f$  be  $\lambda$ -expressions.

- $\langle V \rangle$ : Variable  $x$  is free in  $x$ .
- $\langle F \rangle$ :  $x$  is free in  $\lambda y \cdot e$  if  $x \neq y$  and  $x$  is free in  $e$ .
- $\langle A \rangle$ :  $x$  is free in  $f(e)$  if it is free in either  $f$  or  $e$  (i.e., also in both).

### C.7.3 Substitution

In RSL, the following rules for substitution apply:

#### Substitution

- **subst**([N/x]x)  $\equiv$  N;
- **subst**([N/x]a)  $\equiv$  a,  
for all variables  $a \neq x$ ;
- **subst**([N/x](P Q))  $\equiv$  (**subst**([N/x]P) **subst**([N/x]Q));
- **subst**([N/x]( $\lambda x.P$ ))  $\equiv \lambda y.P$ ;
- **subst**([N/x]( $\lambda y.P$ ))  $\equiv \lambda y.$  **subst**([N/x]P),  
if  $x \neq y$  and  $y$  is not free in N or  $x$  is not free in P;
- **subst**([N/x]( $\lambda y.P$ ))  $\equiv \lambda z.$  **subst**([N/z]**subst**([z/y]P)),  
if  $y \neq x$  and  $y$  is free in N and  $x$  is free in P  
(where  $z$  is not free in (N P)).

### C.7.4 $\alpha$ -Renaming and $\beta$ -Reduction

#### $\alpha$ and $\beta$ Conversions

- $\alpha$ -renaming:  $\lambda x.M$   
If  $x, y$  are distinct variables then replacing  $x$  by  $y$  in  $\lambda x.M$  results in  $\lambda y.$  **subst**([y/x]M). We can rename the formal parameter of a  $\lambda$ -function expression provided that no free variables of its body  $M$  thereby become bound.
- $\beta$ -reduction:  $(\lambda x.M)(N)$   
All free occurrences of  $x$  in  $M$  are replaced by the expression  $N$  provided that no free variables of  $N$  thereby become bound in the result.  $(\lambda x.M)(N) \equiv$  **subst**([N/x]M)

### C.7.5 Function Signatures

For sorts we may want to postulate some functions:

#### Sorts and Function Signatures

```

type
  A, B, C
value
  obs_B: A  $\rightarrow$  B,
  obs_C: A  $\rightarrow$  C,
  gen_A: B  $\times$  C  $\rightarrow$  A

```

### C.7.6 Function Definitions

Functions can be defined explicitly:

Explicit Function Definitions
<pre> <b>value</b>   f: Arguments <math>\rightarrow</math> Result   f(args) <math>\equiv</math> DValueExpr    g: Arguments <math>\rightarrow</math> Result   g(args) <math>\equiv</math> ValueAndStateChangeClause   <b>pre</b> P(args) </pre>

Or functions can be defined implicitly:

Implicit Function Definitions
<pre> <b>value</b>   f: Arguments <math>\rightarrow</math> Result   f(args) <b>as</b> result   <b>post</b> P1(args,result)    g: Arguments <math>\rightarrow</math> Result   g(args) <b>as</b> result   <b>pre</b> P2(args)   <b>post</b> P3(args,result) </pre>

The symbol  $\rightarrow$  indicates that the function is partial and thus not defined for all arguments. Partial functions should be assisted by preconditions stating the criteria for arguments to be meaningful to the function.

## C.8 Other Applicative Expressions

*I: RSL offers the usual collection of applicative constructs that functional programming languages (Standard ML [129, 129] or F# [97]) offer ■*

### C.8.1 Simple let Expressions

Simple (i.e., nonrecursive) **let** expressions:

Let Expressions
<pre> <b>let</b> a = <math>\mathcal{E}_d</math> <b>in</b> <math>\mathcal{E}_b(a)</math> <b>end</b> </pre> <p>is an “expanded” form of:</p> <pre> <math>(\lambda a. \mathcal{E}_b(a))(\mathcal{E}_d)</math> </pre>

### C.8.2 Recursive let Expressions

Recursive **let** expressions are written as:

Recursive **let** Expressions

```
let f =  $\lambda a:A \cdot E(f)$  in B(f,a) end
```

is “the same” as:

```
let f = YF in B(f,a) end
```

where:

$$F \equiv \lambda g \cdot \lambda a \cdot (E(g)) \text{ and } YF = F(YF)$$

### C.8.3 Predicative let Expressions

Predicative **let** expressions:

Predicative let Expressions

```
let a:A •  $\mathcal{P}(a)$  in B(a) end
```

express the selection of a value  $a$  of type  $A$  which satisfies a predicate  $\mathcal{P}(a)$  for evaluation in the body  $B(a)$ .

### C.8.4 Pattern and “Wild Card” let Expressions

Patterns and wild cards can be used:

Patterns

```
let {a}  $\cup s = \text{set}$  in ... end
let {a, _}  $\cup s = \text{set}$  in ... end

let (a,b,...,c) = cart in ... end
let (a,_,...,c) = cart in ... end

let <a> $\widehat{\ell}$  = list in ... end
let <a,_,b> $\widehat{\ell}$  = list in ... end

let [a $\mapsto$ b]  $\cup m = \text{map}$  in ... end
let [a $\mapsto$ b, _]  $\cup m = \text{map}$  in ... end
```

### C.8.4.1 Conditionals

Various kinds of conditional expressions are offered by RSL:

#### Conditionals

```

if b_expr then c_expr else a_expr
end

if b_expr then c_expr end ≡ /* same as: */
  if b_expr then c_expr else skip end

if b_expr_1 then c_expr_1
elseif b_expr_2 then c_expr_2
elseif b_expr_3 then c_expr_3
...
elseif b_expr_n then c_expr_n end

case expr of
  choice_pattern_1 → expr_1,
  choice_pattern_2 → expr_2,
  ...
  choice_pattern_n_or_wild_card → expr_n
end

```

### C.8.5 Operator/Operand Expressions

#### Operator/Operand Expressions

```

⟨Expr⟩ ::=
  ⟨Prefix_Op⟩ ⟨Expr⟩
  | ⟨Expr⟩ ⟨Infix_Op⟩ ⟨Expr⟩
  | ⟨Expr⟩ ⟨Suffix_Op⟩
  | ...
⟨Prefix_Op⟩ ::=
  - | ~ | ∪ | ∩ | card | len | inds | elems | hd | tl | dom | rng
⟨Infix_Op⟩ ::=
  = | ≠ | ≡ | + | - | * | ↑ | / | < | ≤ | ≥ | > | ^ | ∨ | ⇒
  | ∈ | ∉ | ∪ | ∩ | \ | ⊂ | ⊆ | ⊇ | ⊃ | ^ | † | °
⟨Suffix_Op⟩ ::= !

```

## C.9 Imperative Constructs

*I*: RSL offers the usual collection of imperative constructs that imperative programming languages (Java [92, 151] or Oberon (!) [163]) offer ■

### C.9.1 Statements and State Changes

Often, following the RAISE method, software development starts with highly abstract-applicative constructs which, through stages of refinements, are turned into concrete and imperative constructs. Imperative constructs are thus inevitable in RSL.

#### Statements and State Change

**Unit**  
**value**  
 stmt: **Unit** → **Unit**  
 stmt()

- Statements accept no arguments.
- Statement execution changes the state (of declared variables).
- **Unit** → **Unit** designates a function from states to states.
- Statements, **stmt**, denote state-to-state changing functions.
- Writing () as “only” arguments to a function “means” that () is an argument of type **Unit**.

### C.9.2 Variables and Assignment

#### Variables and Assignment

0. **variable** v:Type := expression
1. v := expr

### C.9.3 Statement Sequences and skip

Sequencing is expressed using the ‘;’ operator. **skip** is the empty statement having no value or side-effect.

#### Statement Sequences and skip

2. **skip**
3. stm\_1;stm\_2;...;stm\_n

### C.9.4 Imperative Conditionals

Imperative Conditionals

```
4. if expr then stm_c else stm_a end
5. case e of: p_1 → S_1(p_1), ..., p_n → S_n(p_n) end
```

### C.9.5 Iterative Conditionals

Iterative Conditionals

```
6. while expr do stm end
7. do stmt until expr end
```

### C.9.6 Iterative Sequencing

Iterative Sequencing

```
8. for e in list_expr • P(b) do S(b) end
```

## C.10 Process Constructs

*I*: RSL offers several of the constructs that CS [106] offers .

### C.10.1 Process Channels

As for channels we deviate from common RSL [90] in that we directly *declare* channels – and not via common RSL *objects* etc.

Let A and B stand for two types of (channel) messages and i:KIdx for channel array indexes, then:

Process Channels

```
channel c:A
channel { k[i]:B • i:Idx }
channel { k[i,j,...,k]:B • i:Idx,j:Jdx,...,k:Kdx }
```

declare a channel, c, and a set (an array) of channels, k[i], capable of communicating values of the designated types (A and B).



### C.10.2 Process Composition

Let  $P$  and  $Q$  stand for names of process functions, i.e., of functions which express willingness to engage in input and/or output events, thereby communicating over declared channels. Let  $P()$  and  $Q$  stand for process expressions, then:

Process Composition	
$P \parallel Q$	Parallel composition
$P \sqcap Q$	Nondeterministic external choice (either/or)
$P \sqcup Q$	Nondeterministic internal choice (either/or)
$P \dashv\!\!\!\dashv Q$	Interlock parallel composition

express the parallel ( $\parallel$ ) of two processes, or the nondeterministic choice between two processes: either external ( $\sqcap$ ) or internal ( $\sqcup$ ). The interlock ( $\dashv\!\!\!\dashv$ ) composition expresses that the two processes are forced to communicate only with one another, until one of them terminates.

### C.10.3 Input/Output Events

Let  $c$ ,  $k[i]$  and  $e$  designate channels of type  $A$  and  $B$ , then:

Input/Output Events	
$c ?, k[i] ?$	Input
$c ! e, k[i] ! e$	Output

expresses the willingness of a process to engage in an event that “reads” an input, respectively “writes” an output.

### C.10.4 Process Definitions

The below signatures are just examples. They emphasise that process functions must somehow express, in their signature, via which channels they wish to engage in input and output events.

Process Definitions	
<b>value</b>	
$P: \text{Unit} \rightarrow \text{in } c \text{ out } k[i]$	
$\text{Unit}$	
$Q: i:\text{Kldx} \rightarrow \text{out } c \text{ in } k[i] \text{ Unit}$	
$P() \equiv \dots c ? \dots k[i] ! e \dots$	
$Q(i) \equiv \dots k[i] ? \dots c ! e \dots$	

The process function definitions (i.e., their bodies) express possible events.

## C.11 RSL Module Specifications

We shall not include coverage nor use of the RSL module concepts of *schemes*, *classes* and *objects*.

## C.12 Simple RSL Specifications

Often, we do not want to encapsulate small specifications in schemas, classes, and objects, as is often done in RSL. An RSL specification is simply a sequence of one or more types, values (including functions), variables, channels and axioms:

Simple RSL Specifications
<pre> type ... variable ... channel ... value ... axiom ... </pre>

## C.13 RSL<sup>+</sup>: Extended RSL

Section C.2 on page 175 covered standard RSL types. To them we now add two new types: Type names and RSL-Text.

We refer to Sect. 4.5.1.2.1.1 (the *An RSL Extension* box) Page 44 for a first introduction to extended RSL.

### C.13.1 Type Names and Type Name Values

#### C.13.1.1 Type Names

- Let  $T$  be a type name.
- Then  $\eta T$  is a type name value.
- And  $\eta T$  is the type of type names.

#### C.13.1.2 Type Name Operations

- $\eta$  can be considered an operator.
  - ∞ It (prefix) applies, then, to type ( $T$ ) identifiers and yields the name of that type.
  - ∞ Two type names,  $nT_i$ ,  $nT_j$ , can be compared for equality:  $nT_i = nT_j$  iff  $i = j$ .

- It, vice-versa, suffix applies to type name ( $nT$ ) identifiers and yields the name,  $T$ , of that type:  
 $nT\eta = T$ .

### C.13.2 RSL-Text

#### C.13.2.1 The RSL-Text Type and Values

- RSL-Text is the type name for ordinary, non-extended RSL texts.

We shall not here give a syntax for ordinary, non-extended RSL texts – but refer to [90].

#### C.13.2.2 RSL-Text Operations

- RSL-Texts can be compared and concatenated:

$$\begin{aligned} \infty \text{ rsl-text}_a &= \text{rsl-text}_b \\ \infty \text{ rsl-text}_a \widehat{\text{rsl-text}}_b \end{aligned}$$

The  $\widehat{\text{ }}$  operator thus also applies, besides, lists (tuples), to RSL texts – treating RSL texts as (if they were) lists of characters.

### C.14 Distributive Clauses

We clarify:

#### C.14.1 Over Simple Values

$$\begin{aligned} \oplus \{ a \mid a:A \cdot a \in \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\} \} = \\ \text{if } n > 0 \text{ then } a_1 \oplus a_2 \oplus \dots \oplus a_n \text{ else} \\ \text{case } \oplus \text{ of} \\ \quad + \rightarrow 0, - \rightarrow 0, * \rightarrow 1, / \rightarrow \text{chaos}, \cup \rightarrow \{\}, \cap \rightarrow \{\}, \dots \\ \text{end end} \end{aligned}$$

$$(f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n)(a) \equiv \text{if } n > 0 \text{ then } (f_1(a), f_2(a), \dots, f_n(a)) \text{ else chaos end}$$

#### C.14.2 Over Processes

$$\begin{aligned} \parallel \{ p(i) \mid i:l \cdot i \in \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n\} \} &\equiv \text{if } n > 0 \text{ then } p(i_1) \parallel p(i_2) \parallel \dots \parallel p(i_n) \text{ else } () \text{ end} \\ \sqcap \{ p(i) \mid i:l \cdot i \in \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n\} \} &\equiv \text{if } n > 0 \text{ then } p(i_1) \sqcap p(i_2) \sqcap \dots \sqcap p(i_n) \text{ else } () \text{ end} \\ \sqcap \{ p(i) \mid i:l \cdot i \in \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n\} \} &\equiv \text{if } n > 0 \text{ then } p(i_1) \sqcap p(i_2) \sqcap \dots \sqcap p(i_n) \text{ else } () \text{ end} \end{aligned}$$



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