

Developing Reactive Systems Using Statecharts



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Time Table

09:00 – 10:30	Introduction, Yakindu set-up
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00 – 12:30	Tutorial: Statecharts Concepts + Exercises
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 15:30	Tutorial: Statecharts Concepts + Exercises
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee Break
16:00 – 17:30	Tutorial: Advanced Concepts

Introduction

Reactive Systems



- Com
- In contrast to *transformational* systems, which take input and, eventually, produce output

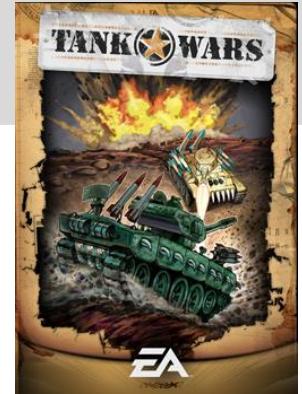
Modelling Reactive Systems

- Interaction with the environment: reactive to *events*
- Autonomous behaviour: *timeouts* + *spontaneous* transitions
- System behaviour: *modes* (hierarchical) + *concurrent* units
- Use programming language + threads and timeouts (OS)?

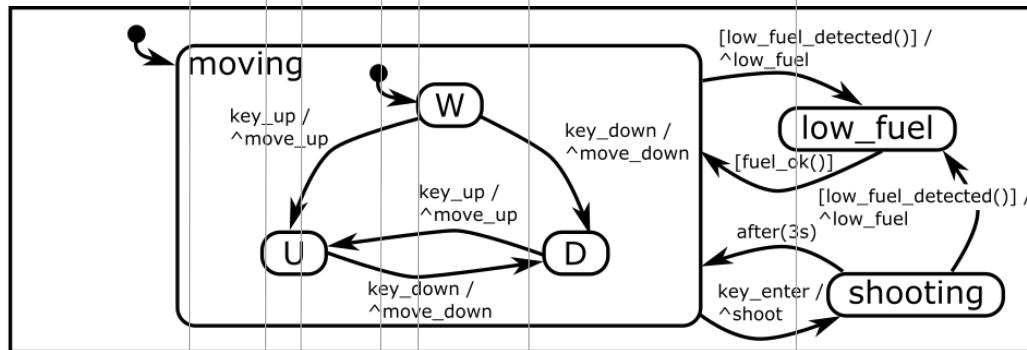
Programming language (and OS) is too low-level
-> most appropriate formalism: "what" vs. "how"
"Non-trivial software written with threads, semaphores, and mutexes are incomprehensible to humans"



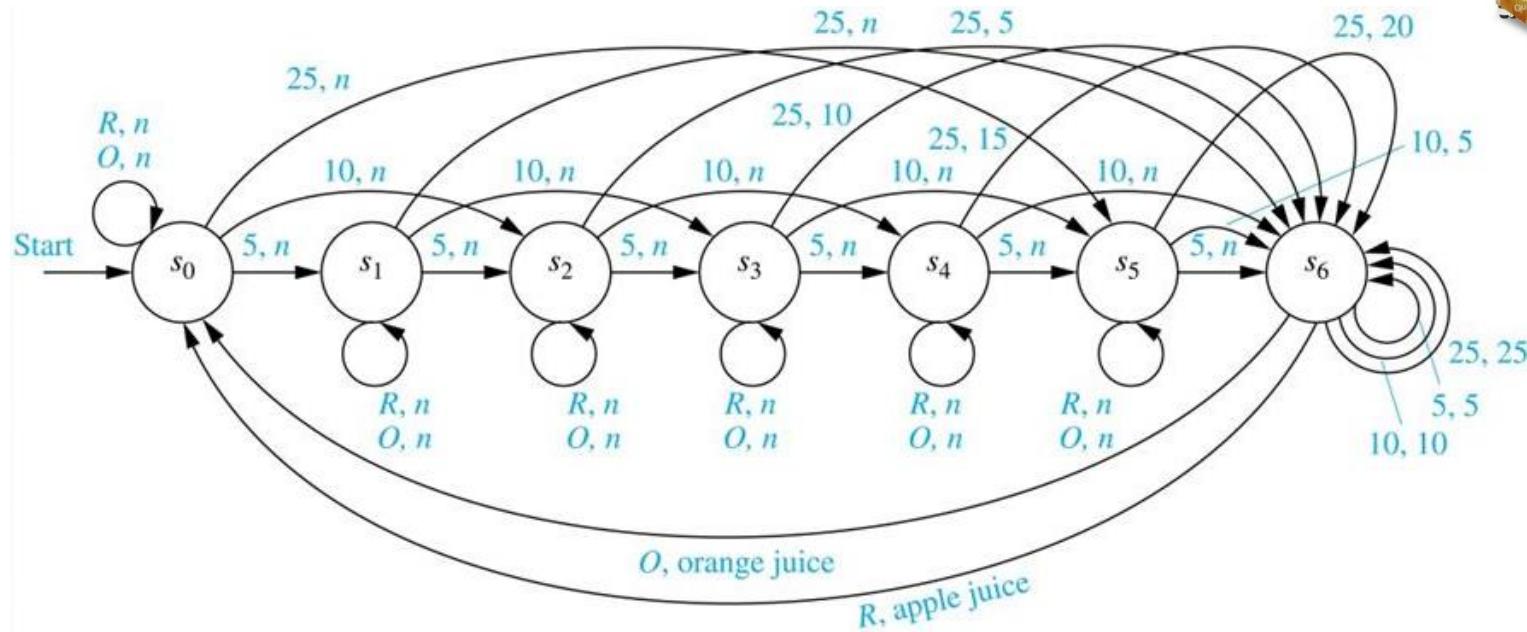
Discrete-Event Abstraction



behavioural
model

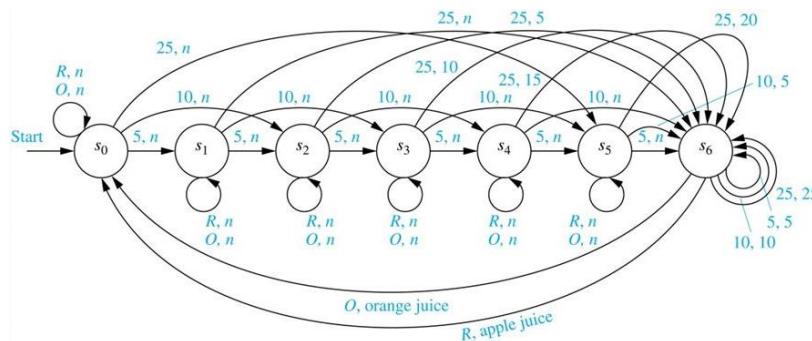


State Diagrams



- All states are explicitly represented (unlike Petrinets, for example)
- Flat representation (no hierarchy)
- Does not scale well: becomes too large too quickly to be usable (by humans)

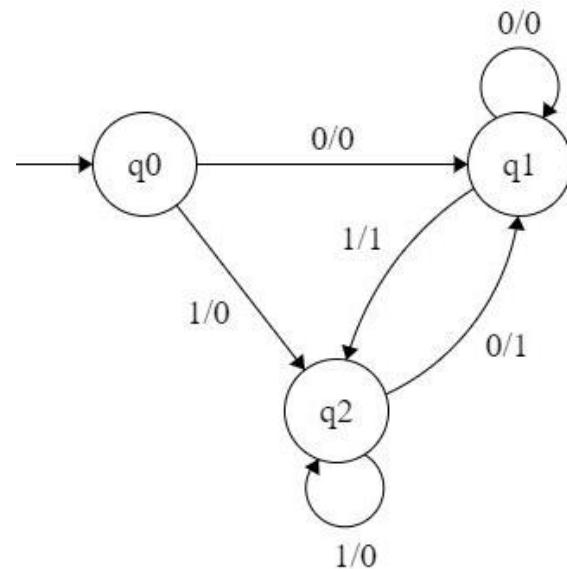
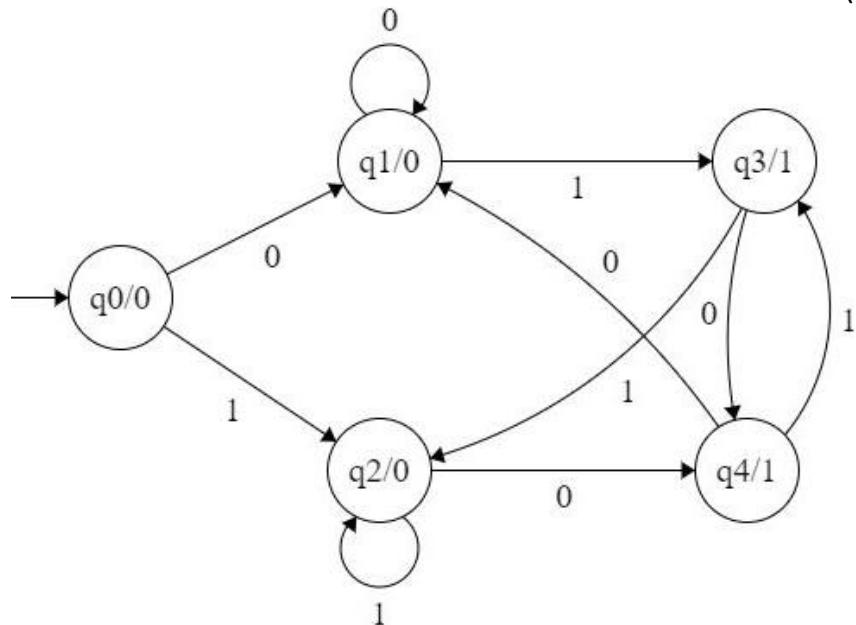
Alternative Representation: Parnas Tables



event/state	s_0	s_1	s_2	s_3	s_4	s_5	s_6
5	s_1, n	s_2, n	s_3, n	s_4, n	s_5, n	s_6, n	$s_6, 5$
10	s_2, n	s_3, n	s_4, n	s_5, n	s_6, n	$s_6, 5$	$s_6, 10$
25	s_5, n	s_6, n	$s_6, 5$	$s_6, 10$	$s_6, 15$	$s_6, 20$	$s_6, 25$
O	s_0, n	s_1, n	s_2, n	s_3, n	s_4, n	s_5, n	$s_0, \text{orange juice}$
R	s_0, n	s_1, n	s_2, n	s_3, n	s_4, n	s_5, n	$s_0, \text{apple juice}$

Mealy and Moore Machines

FSA: $(Q, q_0, \Sigma, O, \delta, \lambda)$



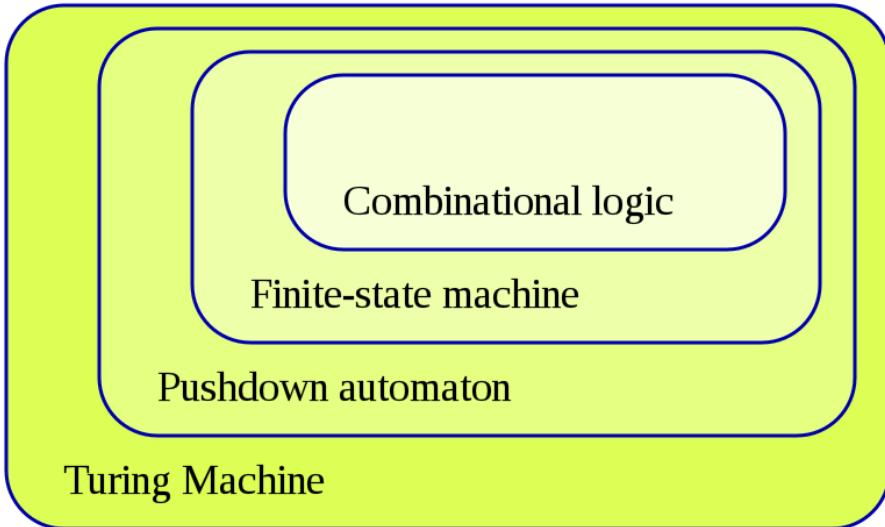
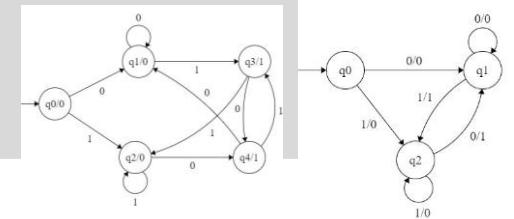
Moore Machines

- Output only depends on current state.
 $\lambda: Q \rightarrow O$
- Input: 00 -> Output: 111

Mealy Machines

- Output depends current state and current input. $\lambda: Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow O$
- Input: 00 -> Output: 11

FSAs: Expressiveness

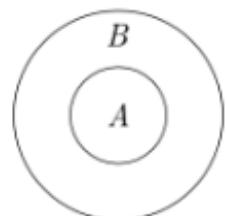


- Statecharts can be made turing-complete
 - > data memory, control flow, branching
- Extends FSAs
 - > borrows semantics from Mealy and Moore machines

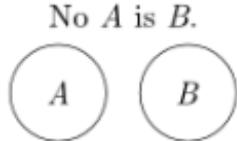
Higraphs

Euler Diagrams

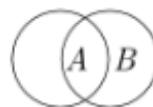
All A are B .



No A is B .



Some A is in B .

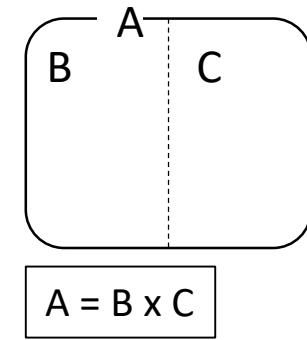


Some A is not in B .



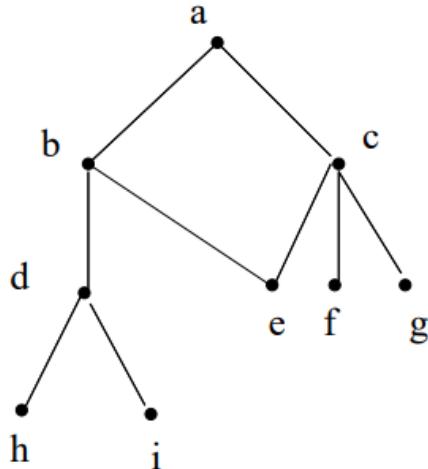
topological notions for set union, difference, intersection

Unordered Cartesian Product

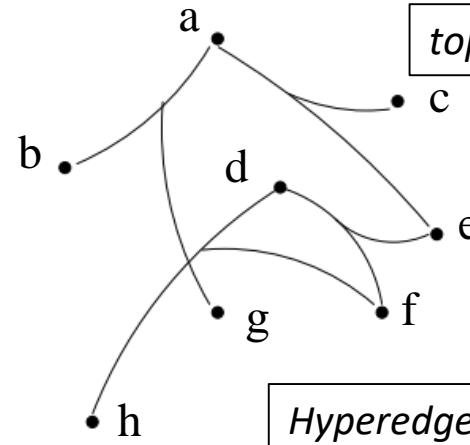


$$A = B \times C$$

Hypergraphs



a graph



a hypergraph

topological notion (syntax): connectedness

Hyperedges: $\subseteq 2^X$ (undirected), $\subseteq 2^X \times 2^X$ (directed).

$$X = \{a, b, \dots, h\}$$

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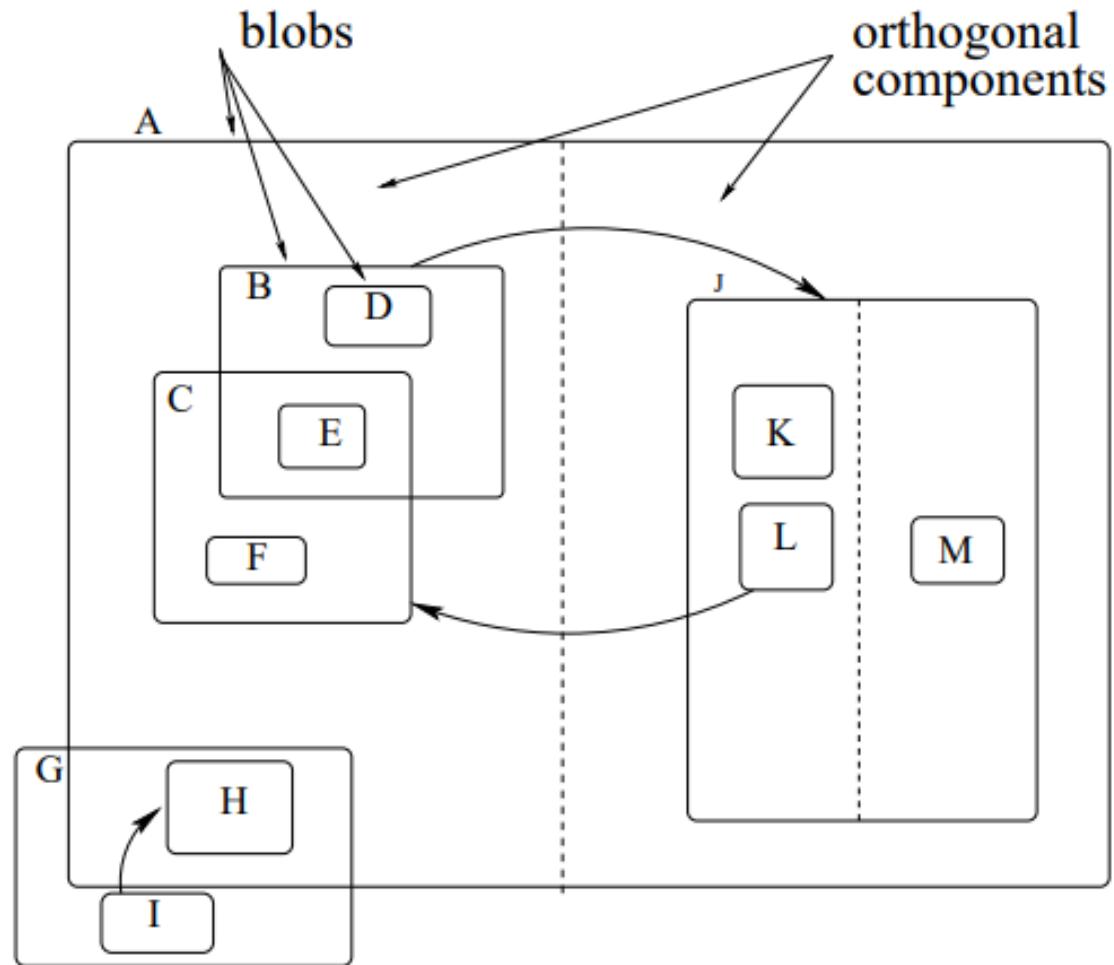
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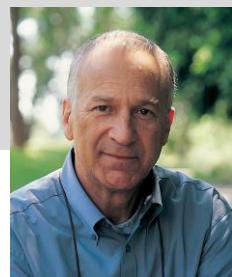
Unordered Cartesian Product



Statecharts

- Visual (topological, not geometric) formalism
- Precisely defined syntax and semantics
- Many uses:
 - Documentation (for human communication)
 - ~~Analysis (of behavioural properties)~~
 - Simulation
 - Code synthesis
 - ... and derived, such as testing, optimization, ...

Statecharts History



- Introduced by David Harel in 1987
- Notation based on higraphs = hypergraphs + Euler diagrams + unordered cartesian product
- Semantics extend deterministic finite state automata with:
 - Depth (Hierarchy)
 - Orthogonality
 - Broadcast Communication
 - Time
 - History
 - Syntactic sugar, such as enter/exit actions

Statecharts History

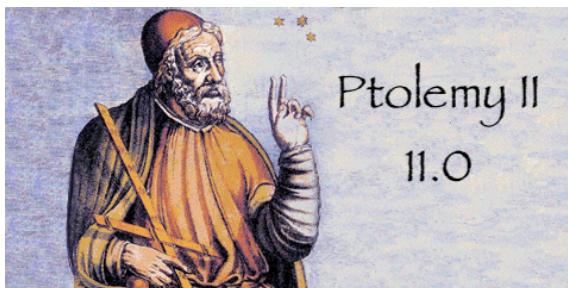
- Incorporated in UML: State Machines (1995)
- More recent: xUML for semantics of UML subset (2002)
- W3 Recommendation: State Chart XML (SCXML) (2015)
<https://www.w3.org/TR/scxml/>
- Standard: Precise Semantics for State Machines (2019)
<https://www.omg.org/spec/PSSM/>

Statechart (Variants) Tools

STATEMATE: A Working Environment for the Development of Complex Reactive Systems

Rational® software

<https://www.ibm.com/us-en/marketplace/systems-design-rhapsody>



<https://ptolemy.berkeley.edu/ptolemyII/ptll11.0/index.htm>



PAPYRUS
REALTIME

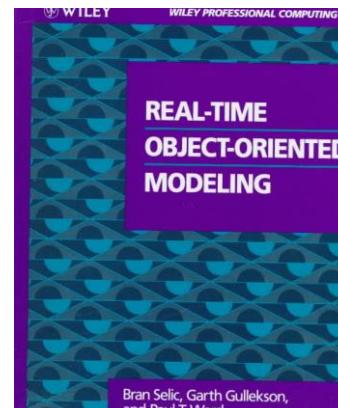
<https://www.eclipse.org/papyrus-rt/>



<https://www.mathworks.com/products/stateflow.html>

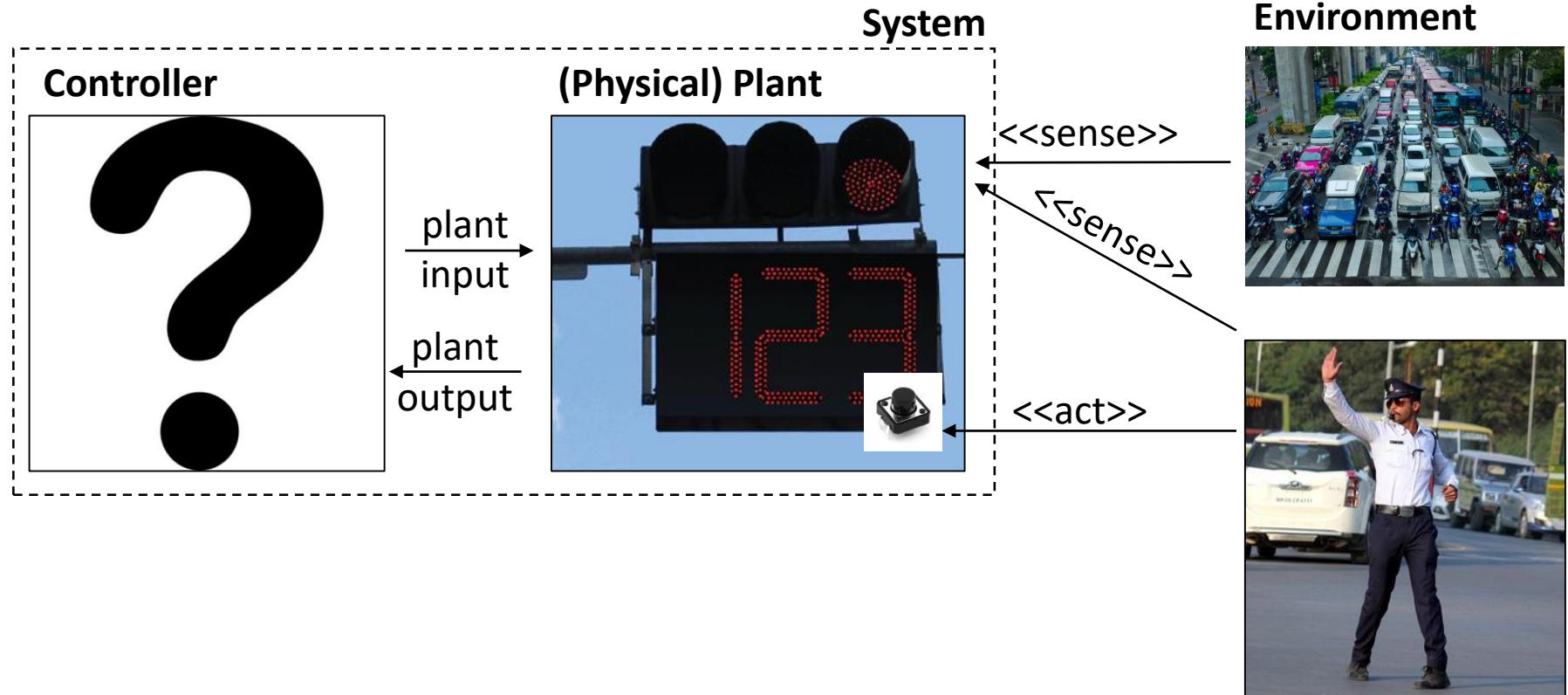


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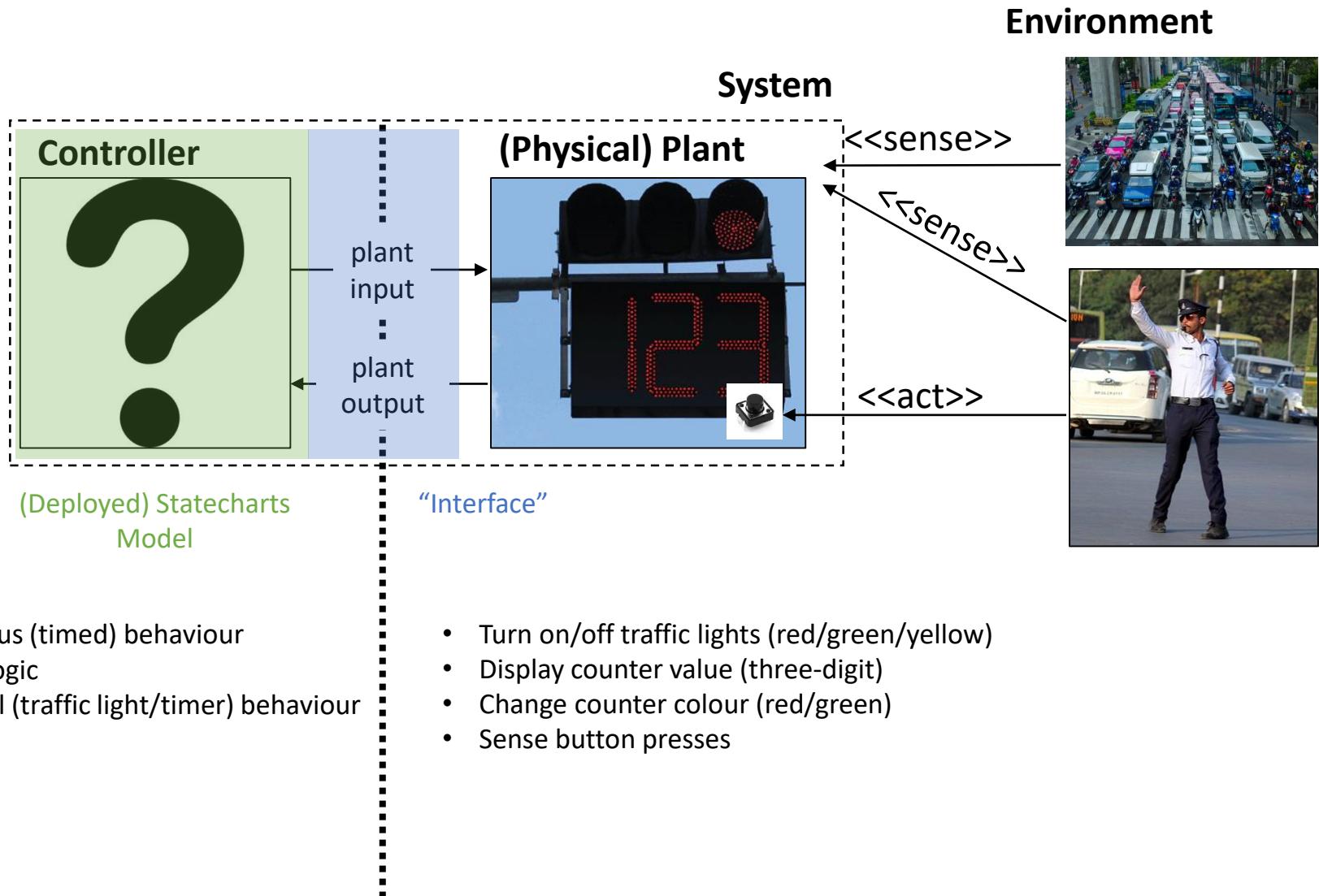


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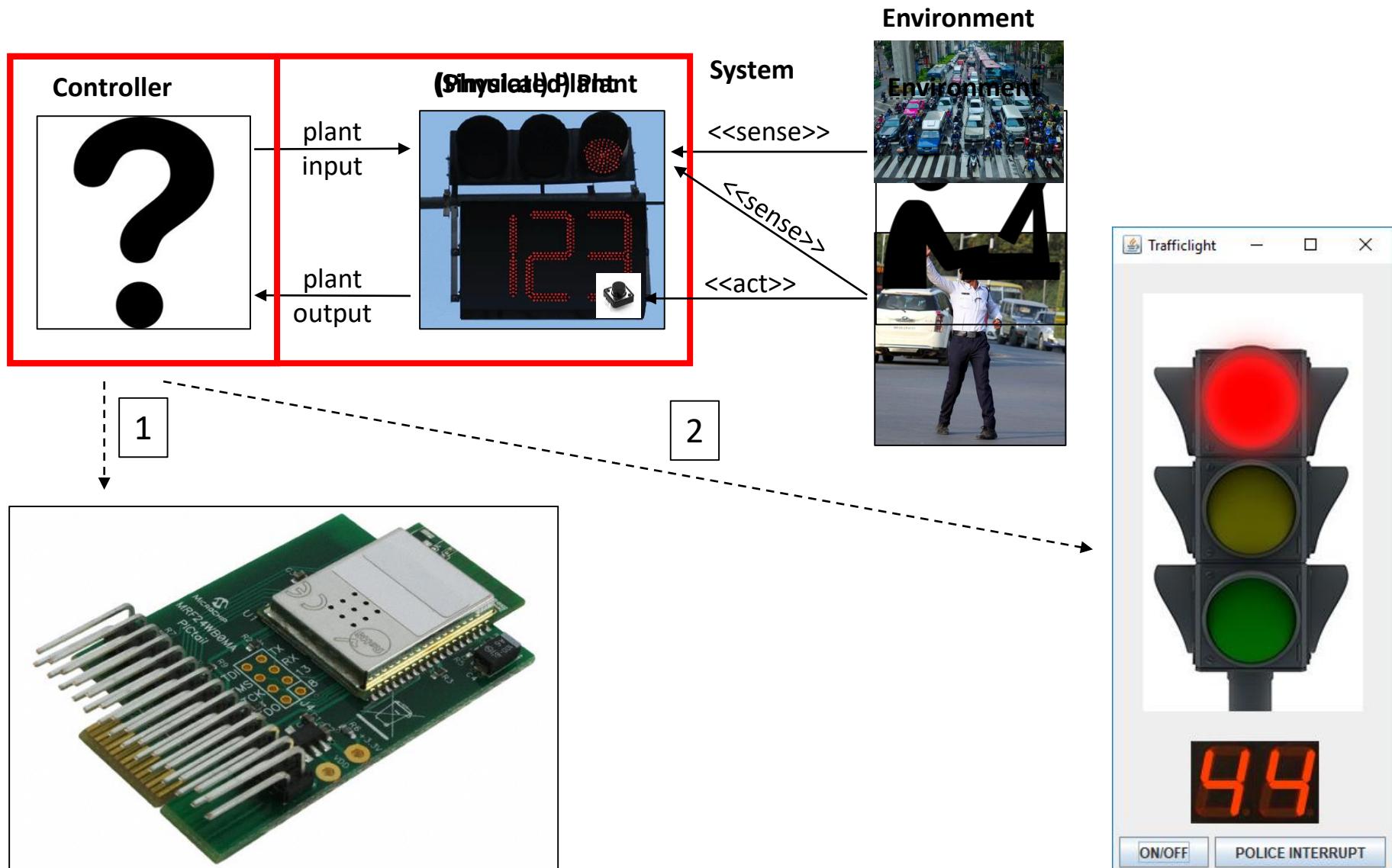
Running Example



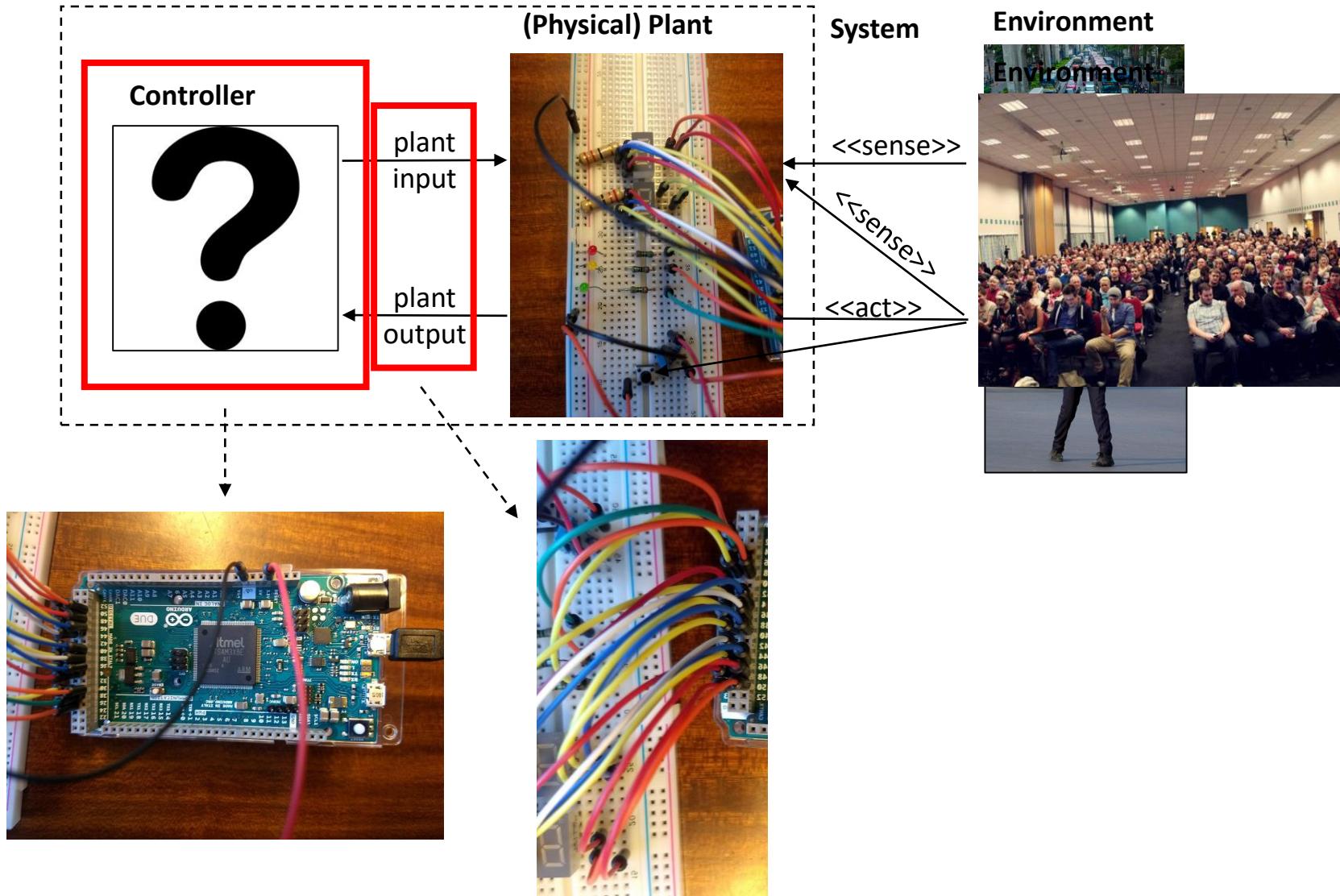
What are we developing?



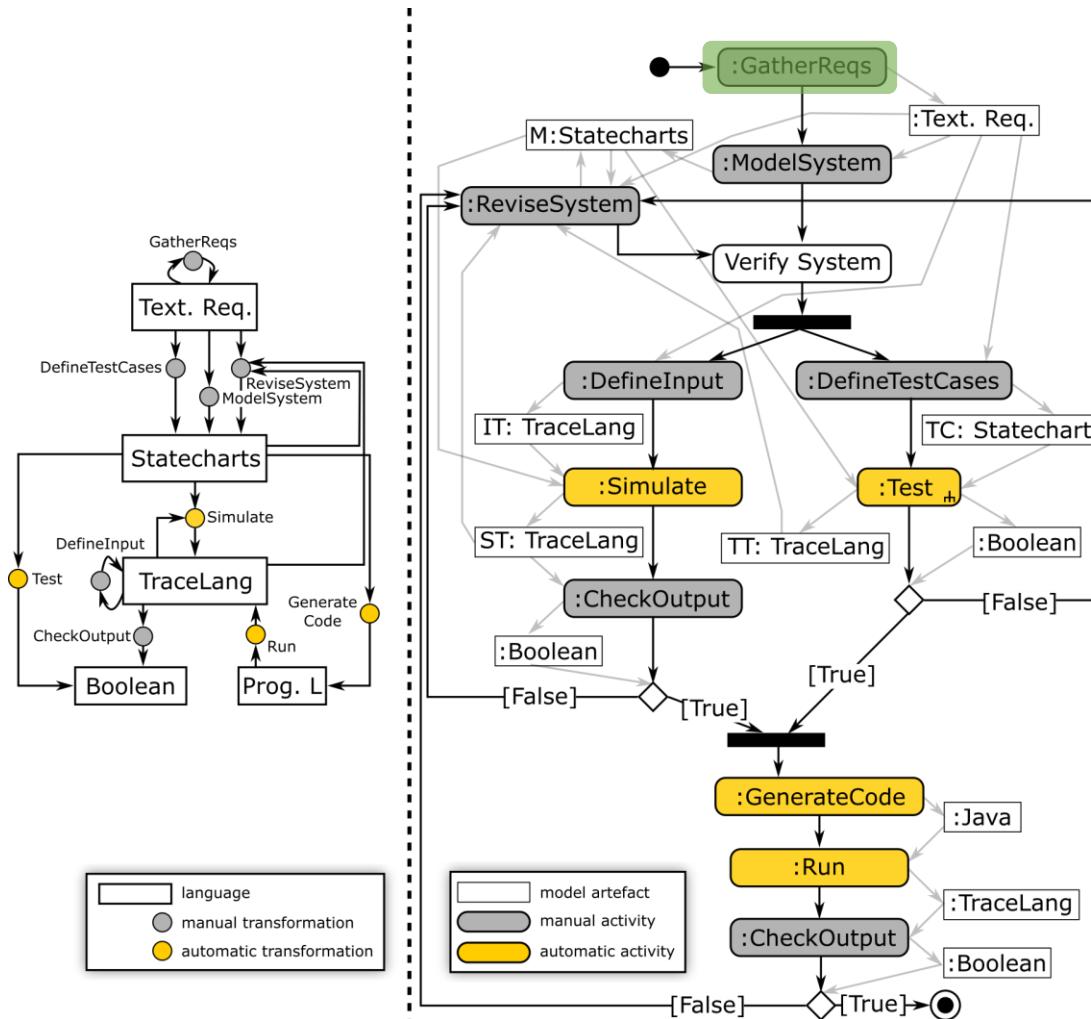
Deployment (Simulation)



Deployment (Hardware)



Workflow

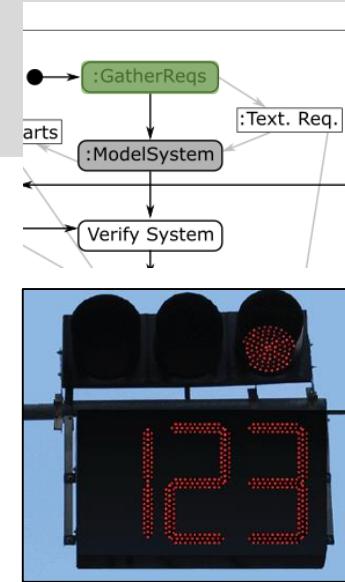


Hans Vangheluwe and Ghislain C. Vansteenkiste. A multi-paradigm modeling and simulation methodology: Formalisms and languages. In European Simulation Symposium (ESS), pages 168-172. Society for Computer Simulation International (SCS), October 1996. Genoa, Italy.

Levi Lúcio, Sadaf Mustafiz, Joachim Denil, Hans Vangheluwe, Maris Jukss. FTG+PM: An Integrated Framework for Investigating Model Transformation Chains. System Design Languages Forum (SDL) 2013, Montreal, Quebec. LNCS Volume 7916, pp 182-202, 2013.

Requirements

- R1: three differently coloured lights: red, green, yellow
- R2: at most one light is on at any point in time
- R3: at system start-up, the red light is on
- R4: cycles through red on, green on, and yellow on
- R5: red is on for 60s, green is on for 55s, yellow is on for 5s
- R6: time periods of different phases are configurable.
- R7: police can interrupt autonomous operation
 - Result = blinking yellow light (on -> 1s, off -> 1s)
- R8: police can resume an interrupted traffic light
 - Result = light which was on at time of interrupt is turned on again
- R9: traffic light can be switched on and off and restores its state
- R10: a timer displays the remaining time while the light is red or green; this timer decreases and displays its value every second. The colour of the timer reflects the colour of the traffic light.





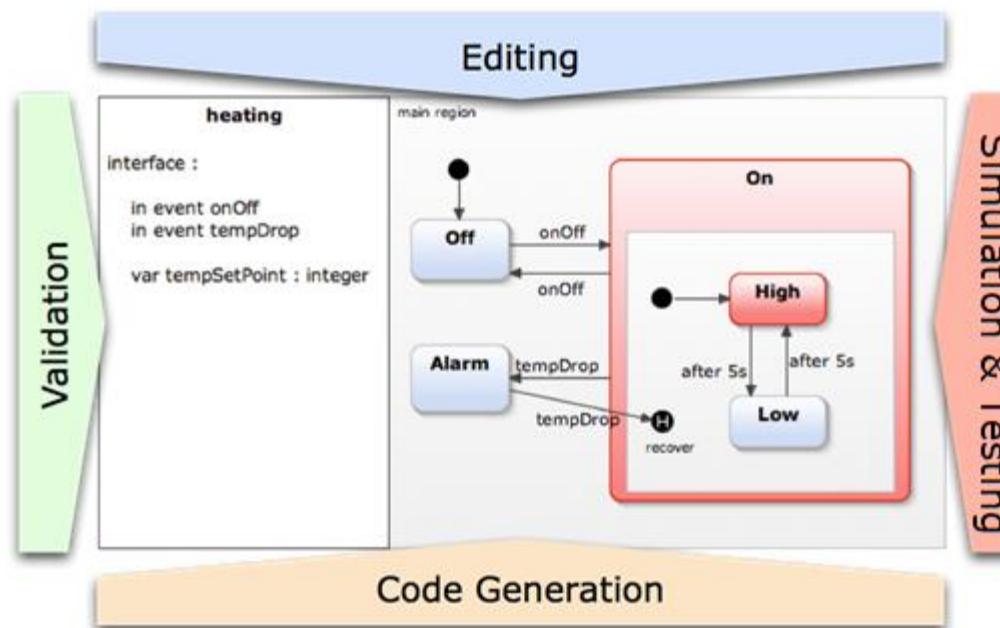
YAKINDU Statechart Tools

Statecharts made easy...



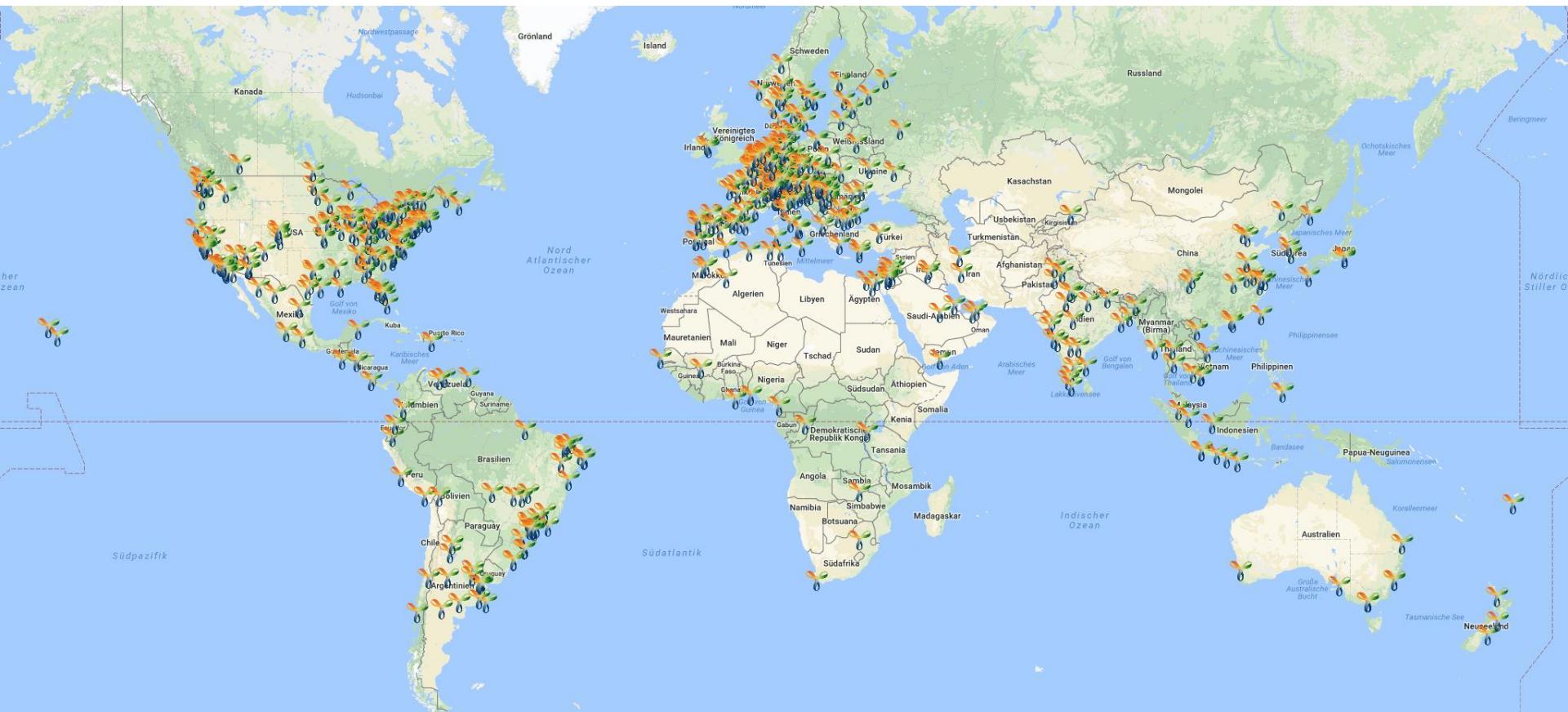
What are YAKINDU Statechart Tools?

YAKINDU Statechart Tools provides an **integrated modeling environment** for the specification and development of **reactive, event-driven systems** based on the concept of statecharts.



Users from Trondheim to Christchurch and from Hawaii to Fiji

Customers from different domains:
Automotive, Avionic, Medical, Automation, Academia ...





Academia

More than 300 universities are using YAKINDU Statechart Tools
in research and education



I like YAKINDU Statechart Tools a lot, especially the fact that it is simple and direct, and it is not burdened with some of the more advanced, expensive and heavy features of other professional statechart tools.

Professor David Harel – inventor of statecharts
Vice president Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities

- Active cooperation in research projects for predevelopment of future features like
 - Model checking
 - Scenario-based modeling
 - Variability
 - ...



Industry Users



“ After integrating YAKINDU Statechart Tools we could offer the possibility to develop state machines by use of a graphical notation – this makes it a lot easier for our users to master complexity. ”

Abhik Dey

Product Owner ASCET Developer at ETAS GmbH



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The Statecharts Language

States



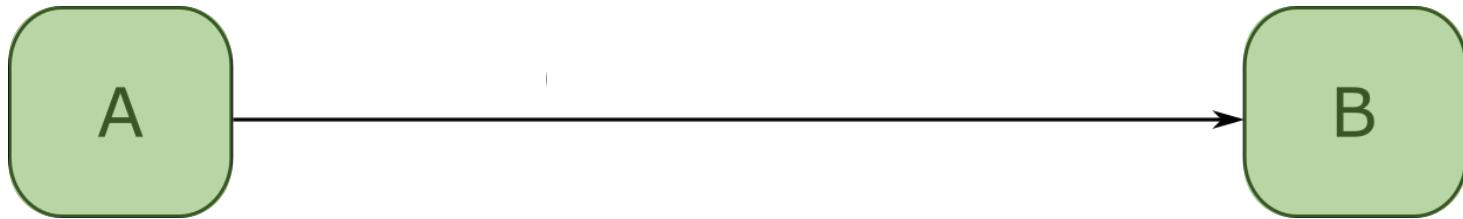
being **in** a state

- = state <<name>> is **active**
- = the system is in **configuration**
 <<name>>

initial state

exactly one per model
“entry point”

Transitions



- Model the **dynamics** of the system:
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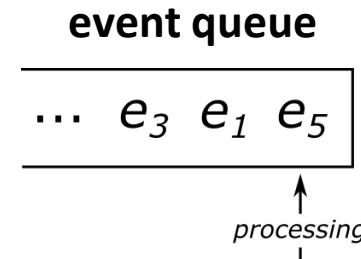
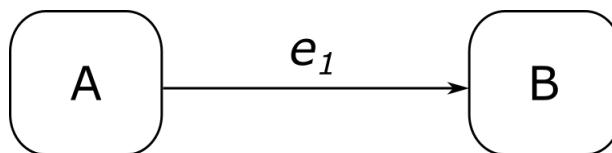
Transitions: Events

event(params) / output_action(params)

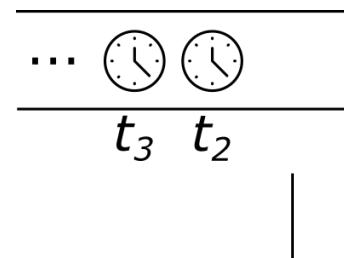
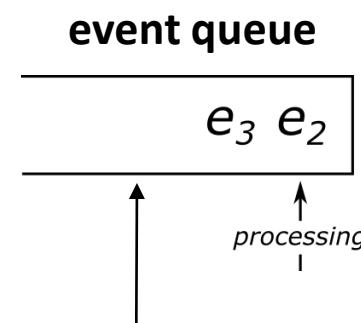
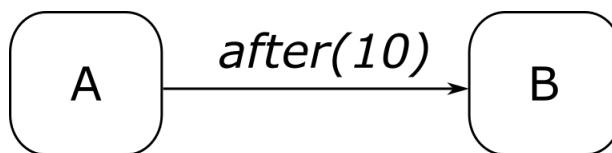
- Spontaneous



- Input Event

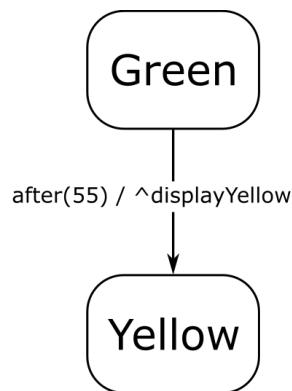


- After Event



Transitions: Raising Output Events

event(params) / output_action(params)



Syntax for output action:

$\wedge \text{output_event}$

means “raise the event *output_event* (to the environment)”



The YAKINDU Statechart Dialect



In YAKINDU transitions are reactions.

- reactions define an effect that is executed when a specified trigger occurs and/or a guard condition becomes true
- a transitions effect always includes transition from the source state to the target state.

The reaction syntax is:

trigger [guard] / effect

- trigger: list of events
- guard: boolean expression (explained later)
- effect: some action that produce an effect (incl. state transition)
- ... all optional.



trigger [guard] / effect

The following trigger types exist for transitions:

buttonPressed // named event triggers

after 2s // one shot time trigger

every x ms // periodic time trigger

always // pseudo trigger that is always active
oncycle // same as ,always'

else // pseudo trigger for choices
default // same as ,else'

Trigger can be a list of events:

buttonPressed, systemAlert, after 20 s <=> buttonPressed OR systemAlert OR after 20 s



trigger [guard] / effect

An transition effect includes:

1. The state transition
2. Zero or more actions (';' separated)

Actions can be:

`raise event1 // raise events`

`x = 100 // variable assignment`

`doX(x, 10) // operation call`



Declaring Named Events

YAKINDU SCT requires the declaration of events

- events have visibility
 - public : defined on interface
 - private : defined internally
- public events have a direction
 - in
 - out
- events may have payload

```
// an incoming event
in event button_pressed
// an incoming event with payload
in event temperature_change : integer
// an outgoing event
out event halt_system
```

Prepare Exercises

YAKINDU Statechart Tools & workspace setup



Setup

1. Prerequisite: you need an installed Java SDK
2. Install YAKINDU SCT
 1. Select the YAKINDU SCT archive for your OS on the stick and unzip it to any location (Windows Programs folder strongly not recommended)
 2. Alternatively download YAKINDU SCT from
<https://www.itemis.com/en/yakindu/state-machine/>
3. Unzip the MODELS_SC_TUTORIAL.zip to any folder
4. Start YAKINDU SCT and select <tutorial folder>/workspace as workspace location when prompted.

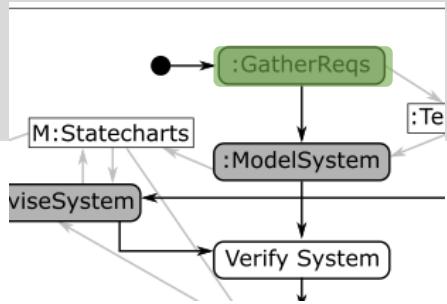
-> YAKINDU SCT starts and you will see the welcome screen.



Exercise 1

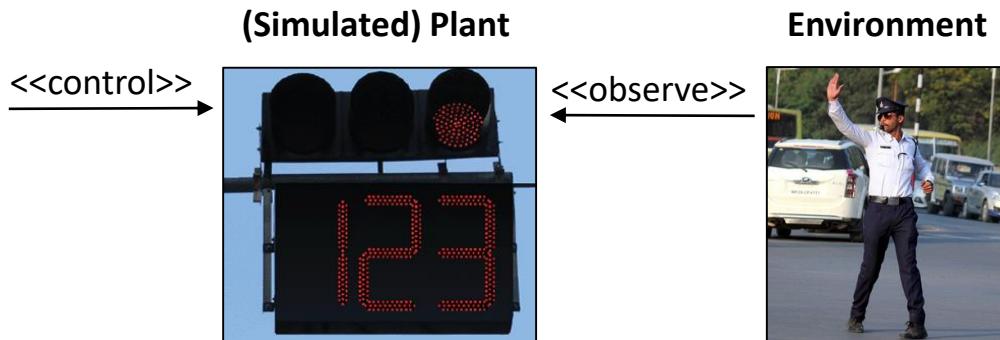
Model a basic traffic light

Exercise 1 - Requirements

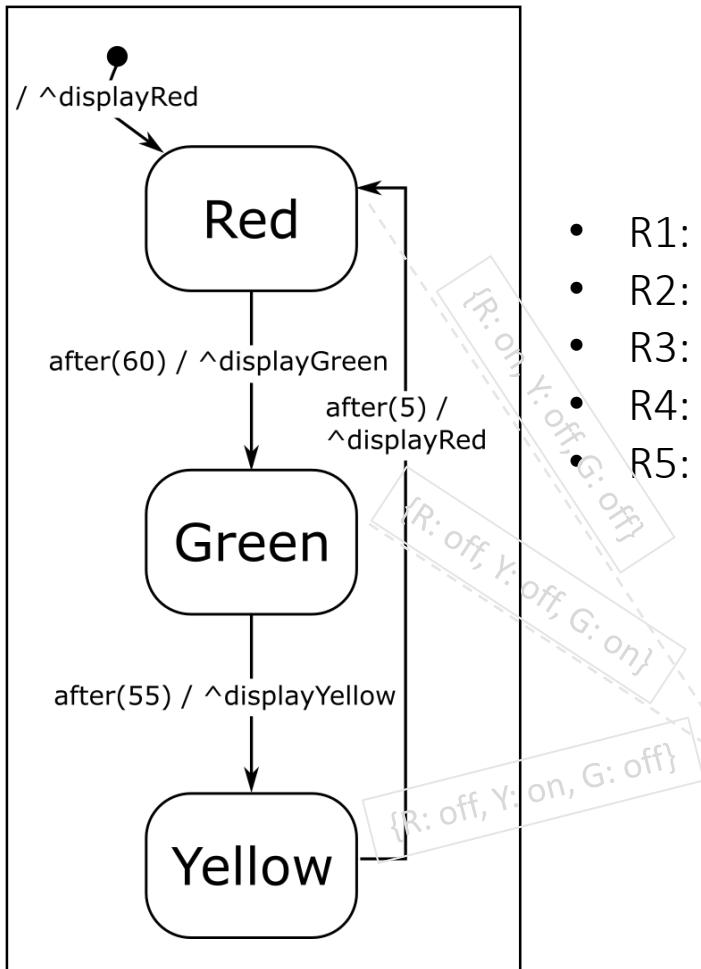
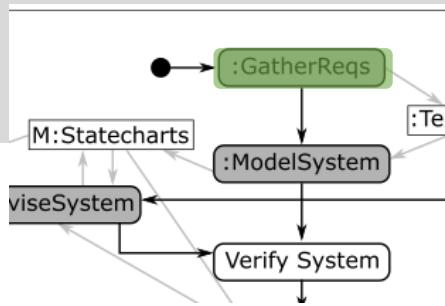


Your model here.

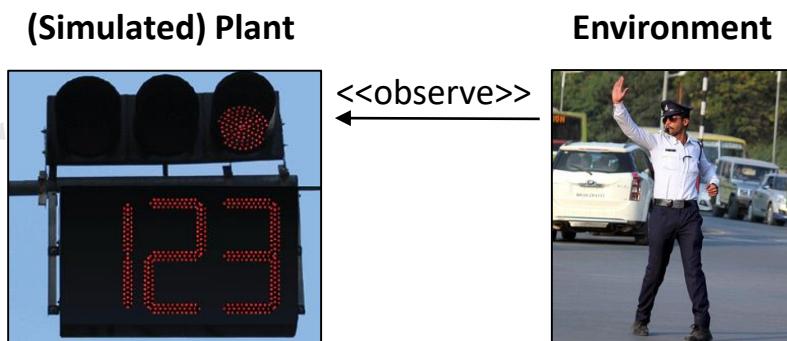
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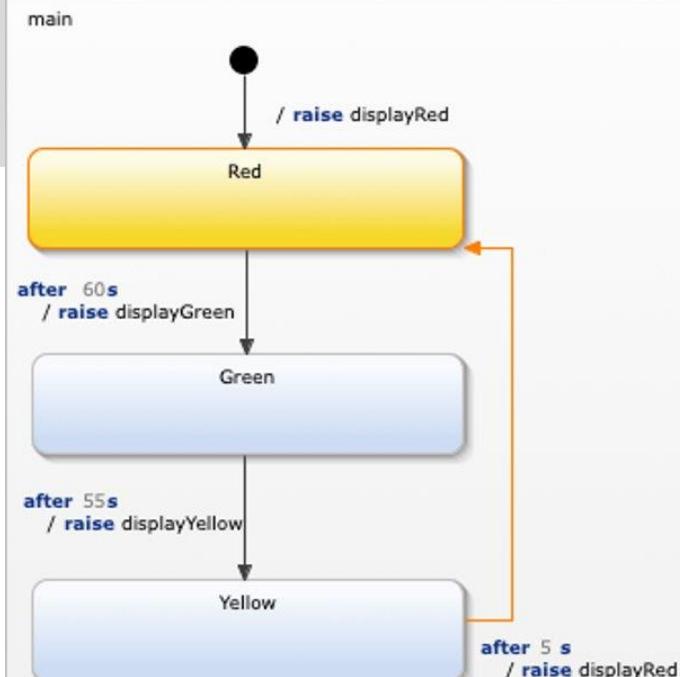
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Exercise 1 - Solution



requirement	modelling approach
R1: three differently coloured lights: red (R), green (G), yellow (Y)	For each color a state is defined. Transitions that lead to a state raise the proper out event which interacts with the plant.
R2: at most one light is on at any point in time	The states are all contained in a single region and thus are exclusive to each other.
R3: at system start-up, the red light is on	The entry node points to state Red and the entry transition raises the event displayRed.
R4: cycles through red on, green on, and yellow on	The transitions define this cycle.
R5: red is on for 60s, green is on for 55s, yellow is on for 5s	Time events are specified on the transitions.

Data Store

Full System State

<<name>>

+

DataStore
- var ₁ : t ₁ = val ₁
- var ₂ : t ₂ = val ₂
...
- var _n : t _n = val _n

being **in** a state

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<<name>>

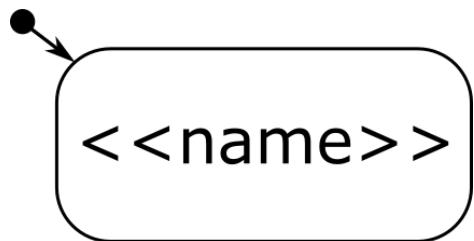
data store **snapshot**

= variables and their value

=

full system state

Full System State: Initialization



DataStore
- var ₁ : t ₁ = val ₁
- var ₂ : t ₂ = val ₂
... - var _n : t _n = val _n

```
1 int main() {  
2  
3 }
```

initial state
exactly one per model
“entry point”

provide **default value**
for each variable
“initial snapshot”

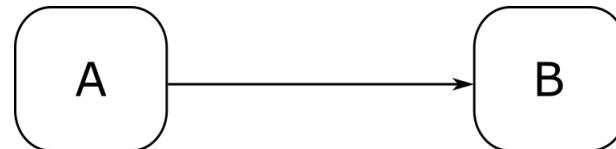
Compare:
C++ initialization
implicit state
(program counter)
+ data store

Transitions: Guards

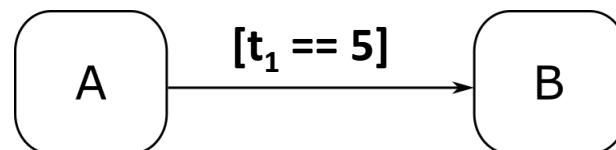
event(params) [guard] / output_action(params)

- Modelled by action code in some appropriate language

- Spontaneous

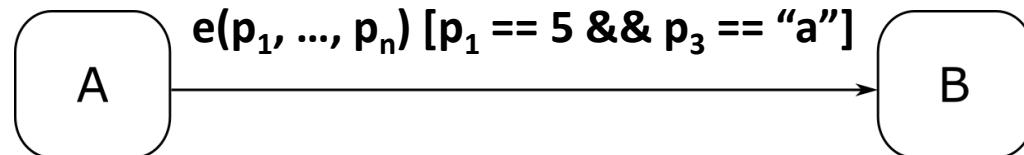


- Data Store Variable



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- Parameter Variable

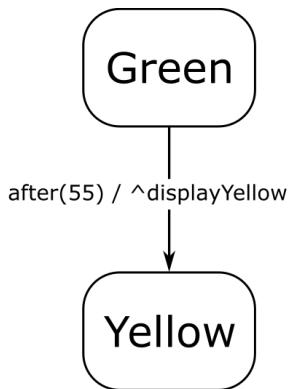


Transitions: Output Actions

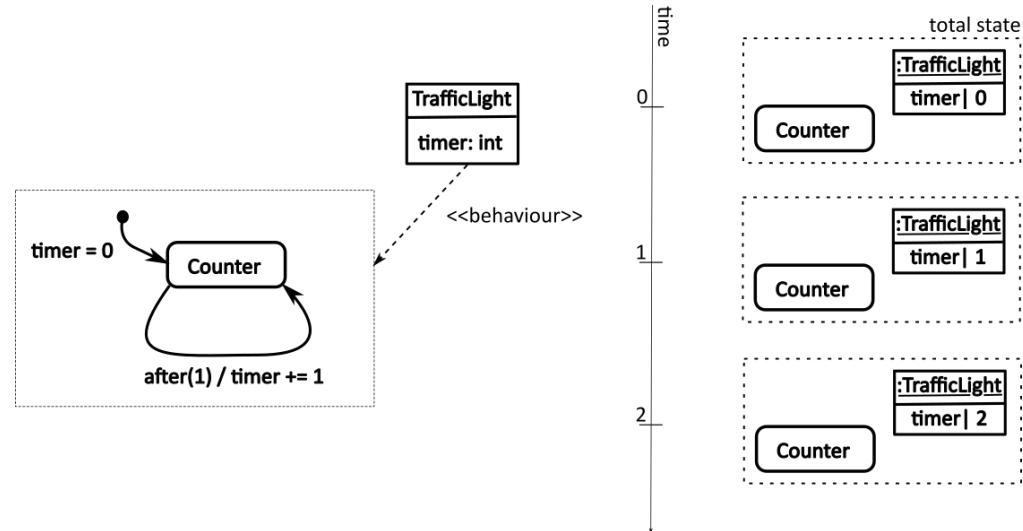
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- Output Event

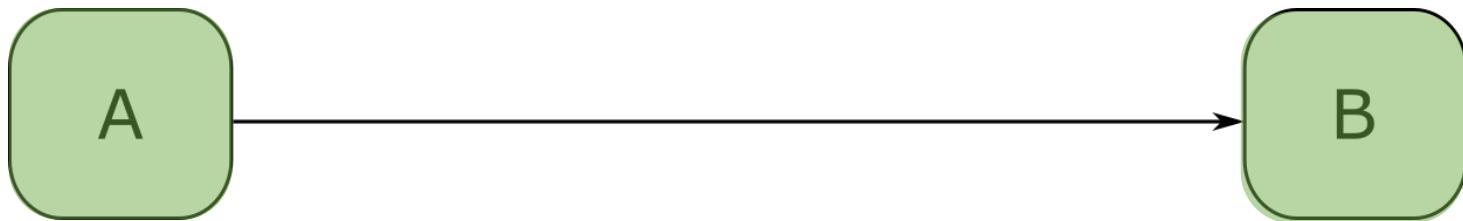
$\wedge \text{output_event}(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n)$



- Assignment (to the non-modal part of the state)
 - by action code in some appropriate language



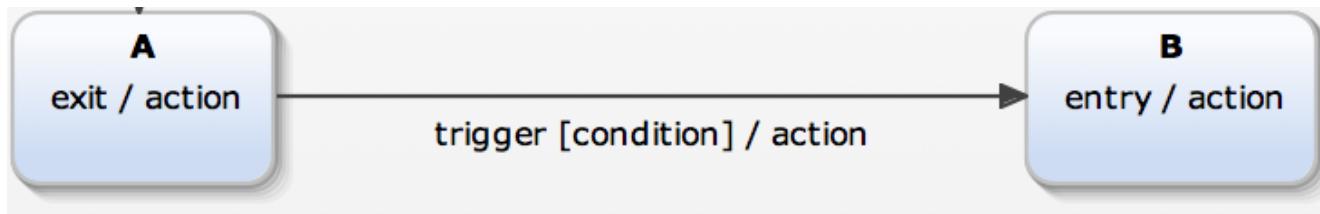
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 - and **guard evaluates to true**
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Transition Execution



if A is active

{

if (

((trigger specified AND occurred) OR (no trigger specified))

AND

((condition specified AND is true) OR (no condition specified))

)

{

exit A

execute exit action

execute transition action

execute entry action

enter B

}

}



YAKINDU Variables



- In statecharts variables hold quantitative values.
- Variables may be accessible from 'outside' the statechart
- Variables behave like you would expect

```
// a simple variable  
var x : integer
```

```
// ... with initialization  
var x : real = 4.2  
var z : boolean = true  
var my_var : integer = 0xff
```

- You can define constants
- Constants must have an initial value

```
const PI : real = 3.14
```

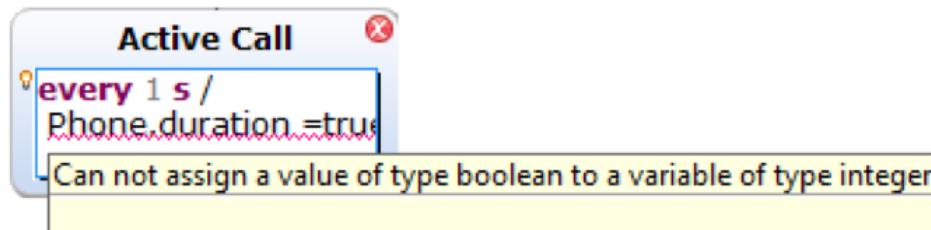


The following trigger types can be used within state and statechart specifications:

```
buttonPressed    // named event triggers  
  
after 2s         // one shot time trigger  
every x ms       // periodic time trigger  
  
always           // pseudo trigger that is always active  
oncycle          // same as ,always'  
  
entry             // pseudo trigger for entry actions  
exit              // pseudo trigger for exit actions
```



- YAKINDU provides a 'Pluggable Type System'
- Type contributions can be provided by plugins
- Type checking is performed on expressions.
- Type inferrer calculates (infers) types of expressions and checks type constraints.
- Type inferrer is extendable in order to implement specific checks.
- Immediate user feedback while editing





Simple type system provides:

- boolean
- integer
- real
- string
- void

Complex type system support "deep integrations" with modeling and programming languages (DSLs, Franca IDL, C, C++, Java, TypeScript):

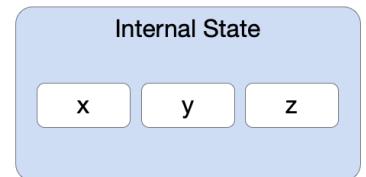
- Custom types
- Structured types
- Enumerations
- Generics
- etc..



Variable Usage Scenarios

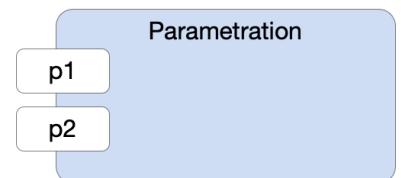
Internal state

- hold internal values not visible outside



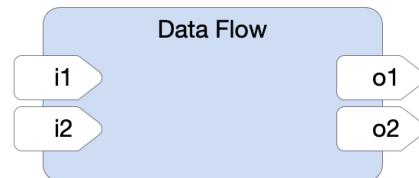
Parametrazione

- makes properties publicly accessible



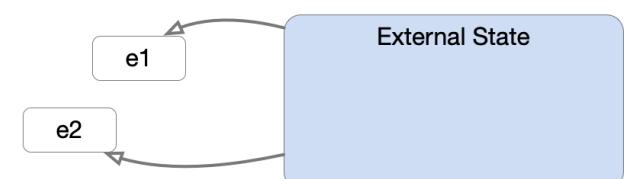
Data Flow

- 'in' and 'out' variables - in only read, out only written



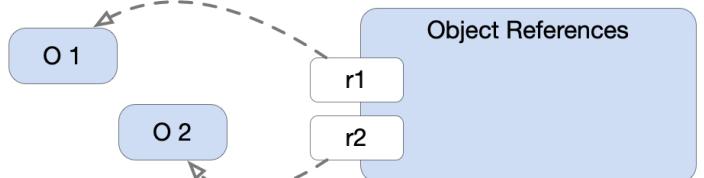
Access external state

- externally declared variables can be in scope



Access objects

- variables can hold references to data & objects





operators

- assignment:

=, +=, -=, *=, /=, %=, <<=, >>=, &=,
^=, |=

- boolean:

&&, ||, !

- compare:

==, !=

- arithmetic:

+, -, *, /, %

- bit:

&, |, ^, >>, <<

- ternary: ()?:

literals

- decimal, hex & binary integers
- floating point
- boolean (true, false)
- string

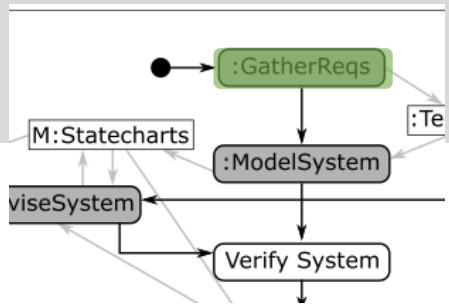
other

- active(*statename*) checks if the specified state is active
- valueof(*event*) gets the payload of the event
- as type cast

Exercise 2

Add data stores

Exercise 2 - Requirements



Your model here.

- R6: In the last 6 seconds of red being on, the light prepares to go to green by blinking its yellow light (1s on, 1s off) in addition to its red light being on.
- R7: The time period of the different phases should be configurable.

TrafficLight

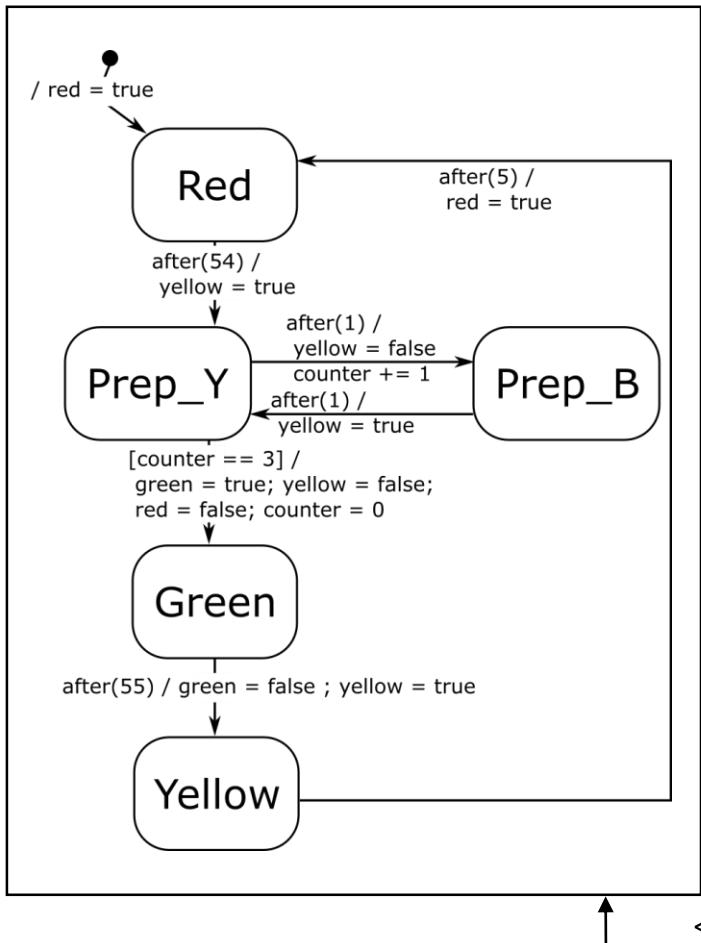
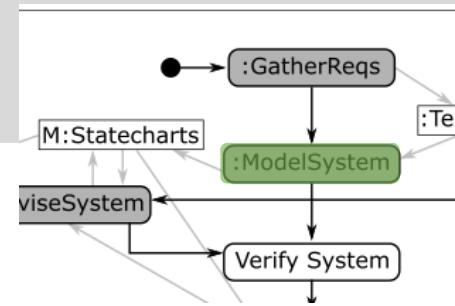
- counter: Integer = 0
- green: Boolean = false
- red: Boolean = false
- yellow: Boolean = false

Make sure that:

- **the values of the variables reflect which lights are on/off**
- **you use at least one conditional transition**

↑
 <<behavior>>

Exercise 2: Solution



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- R7: The time period of the different phases should be configurable.

Statechart Execution

Run-To-Completion Step

- A Run-To-Completion (RTC) step is an atomic execution step of a state machine.
- It transforms the state machine from a valid state configuration into the next valid state configuration.
- RTC steps are executed one after each other - they must not interleave.
- New incoming events cannot interrupt the processing of the current event and must be stored in an event queue

Flat Statecharts: Simulation Algorithm (1)

```
1 simulate(sc: Statechart) {
```

```
18 }
```



Yakindu: Selecting a Transition

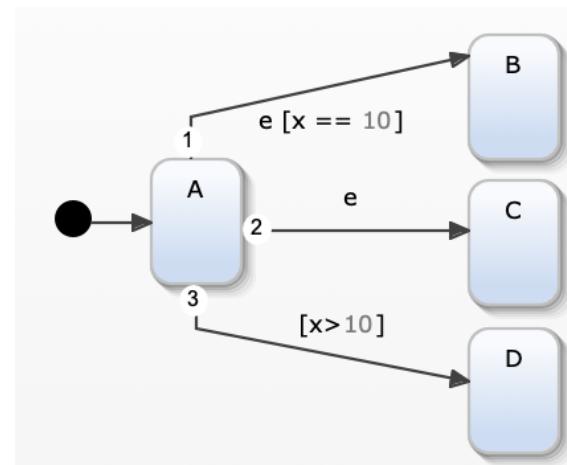
YAKINDU strategy: first enabled transition is selected. If found no further transitions are tested.

Enabled:

```
if (  
    ((trigger specified AND occurred) OR (no trigger specified))  
    AND  
    ((condition specified AND is true) OR (no condition specified))  
)
```

First:

transitions are ordered – first according to this order



Flat Statecharts: Simulation Algorithm (2)

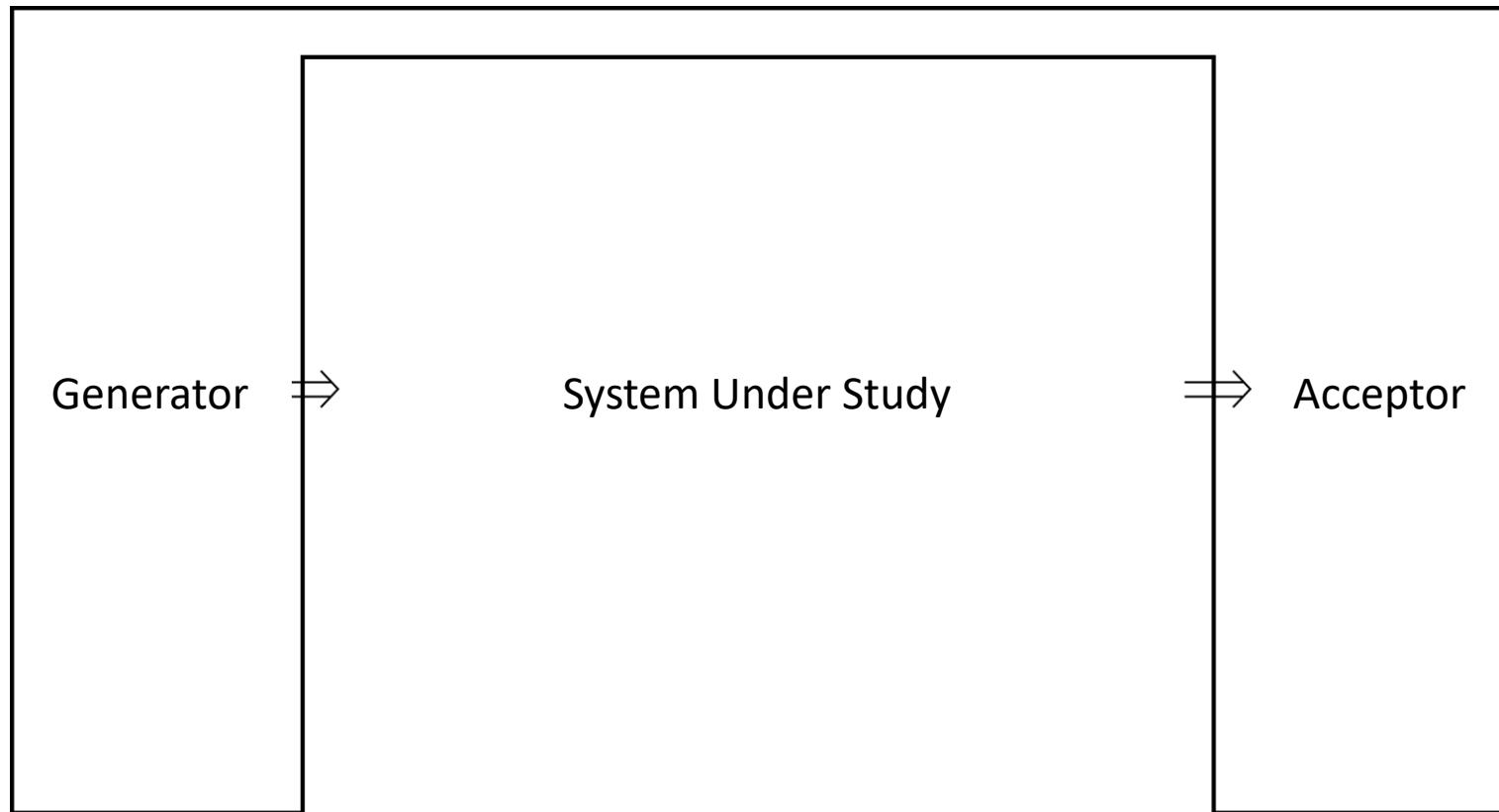
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3     output_events = initialize_queue()
4     timers = initialize_set()
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7         var.value = var.initial_value
8     }
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11        while (not quiescent()) {
12            enabled_transitions = find_enabled_transitions(curr_state, curr_event, sc.variables)
13            chosen_transition = choose_one_transition(enabled_transitions)
14            cancel_timers(curr_state, timers)
15            curr_state = chosen_transition.target
16            chosen_transition.action.execute(sc.variables, output_events)
17            start_timers(curr_state, timers)
18        }
19    }
20 }
```

Flat Statecharts: Simulation Algorithm (3)

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Testing Statecharts

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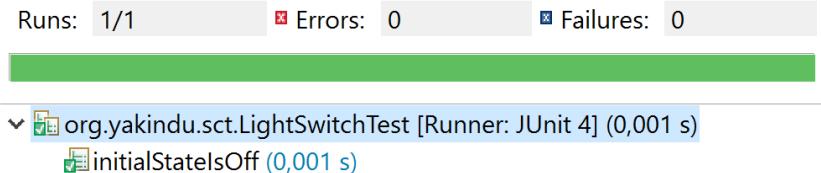


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- X-unit testing framework for YAKINDU Statechart Tools
- Test-driven development of Statechart models
- Test generation for various platforms
- Executable in YAKINDU Statechart Tools
- Virtual Time

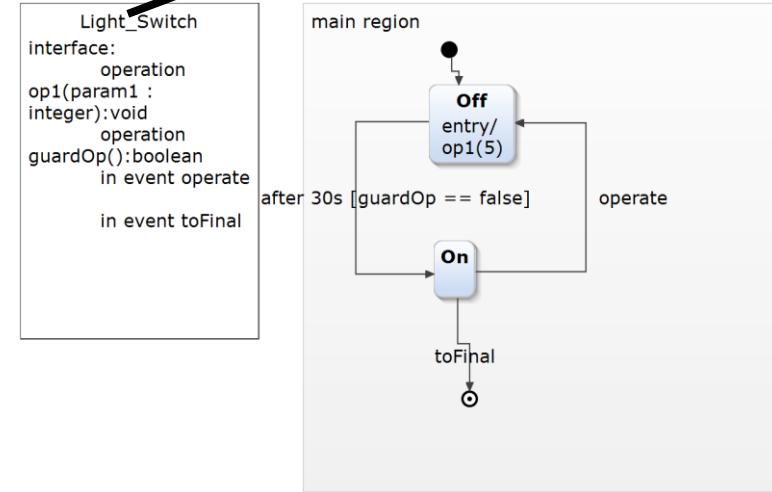
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```
testclass LightSwitchTest for statechart Light_Switch{
    @Test
    operation initialStateIsOff(){
        enter
        assert active(Light_Switch.main_region.Off)
    }
}
```



```
testclass someTestclass for statechart Light_Switch {  
}
```



- Has a unique name
- Has a reference to a statechart
- Contains one or more operation



```
testsuite SomeTestSuite {  
    someTestClass  
}
```

- Has a unique name
- A testsuite contains at least one reference to a testclass



```
testclass someTestClass for statechart Light_Switch {  
    @Test  
    operation test(): void {  
        enter  
    }  
}
```

- May have @Test or @Run annotation
- Has a unique name
- May have 0..n parameters
- Has a return type (standard is void)
- Contains 0..n statements



// entering / exiting the statechart

enter, exit

// raising an event

raise event : value

// proceeding time or cycles

proceed 2 **cycle**

proceed 200 **ms**

// asserting an expression, expression must evaluate to boolean

assert expression

// is a state active

active(someStatechart.someRegion.someState)



SCTUnit allows to

- mock operations defined in the statechart model
- verify that an operation was called with certain values

```
// mocking the return value of an operation
```

```
mock mockOperation returns (20)
```

```
mock mockOperation(5) returns (30)
```

```
// verifying the call of an operation
```

```
assert called verifyOperation
```

```
assert called verifyOperation with (5, 10)
```



// if expression

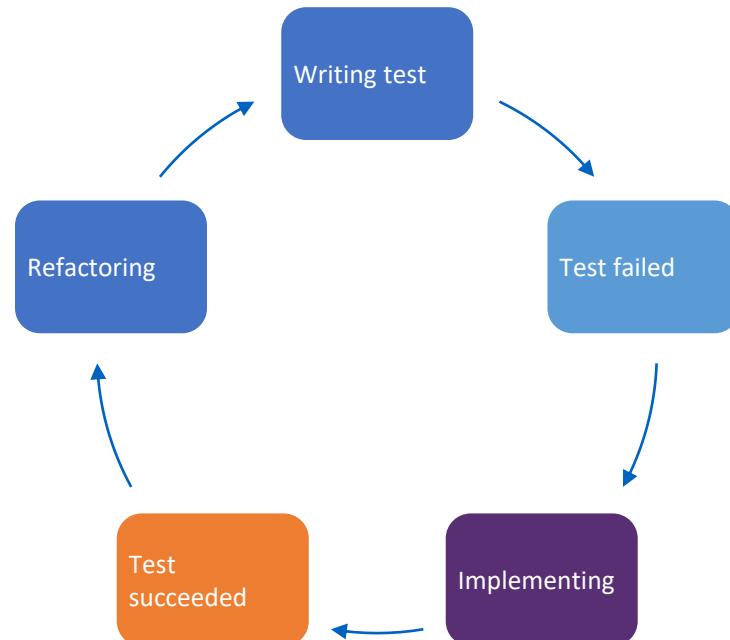
```
if (x==5) {  
    doSomething()  
} else {  
    doSomethingElse()  
}
```

// while expression

```
while (x==5) {  
    doSomething()  
}
```

Test-Driven Development

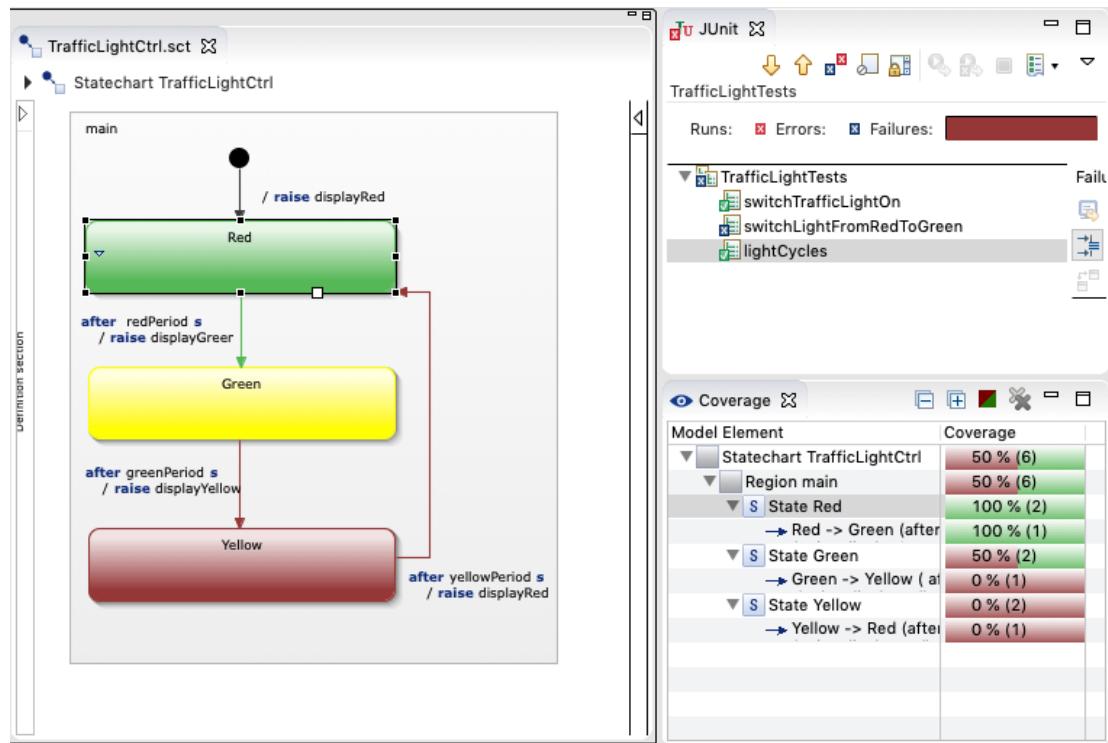
- Software development process, where software is developed driven by tests
- Test-first-approach
- 3 steps you do repeatedly:
 - writing a test
 - implementing the logic
 - refactoring



Exercise 3

Testing Models

Exercise 3 – Unit testing statecharts



- Run and inspect prepared tests
- Fix and complete tests
 - make them green
 - 100% coverage

Generating Code (1)



- Code generators for C, C++, Java, Python, Swift, Typescript, SCXML
- Plain-code approach by default
- Very efficient code
- Easy integration of custom generators



Python



JavaScript





Code Generator Model

```
GeneratorModel for yakindu::java {  
    statechart exercise5 {  
        feature Outlet {  
            targetProject = "5_sctunit"  
            targetFolder = "src-gen"  
            libraryTargetFolder = "src"  
        }  
    }  
}
```

- Has a generator ID
- Has a generator entry
- Each generator entry contains 1..n feature-configurations
- Each feature-configuration contains 1..n properties

Exercise 4

Generating Code

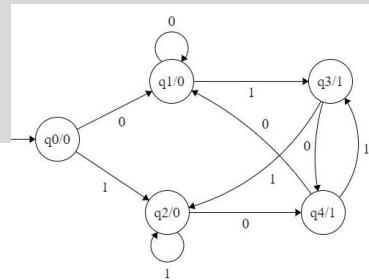
Exercise 4 – Integrate generated code with UI

- Inspect the code generator model
- Inspect the generated code
- Integrate the state machine
- Run the UI

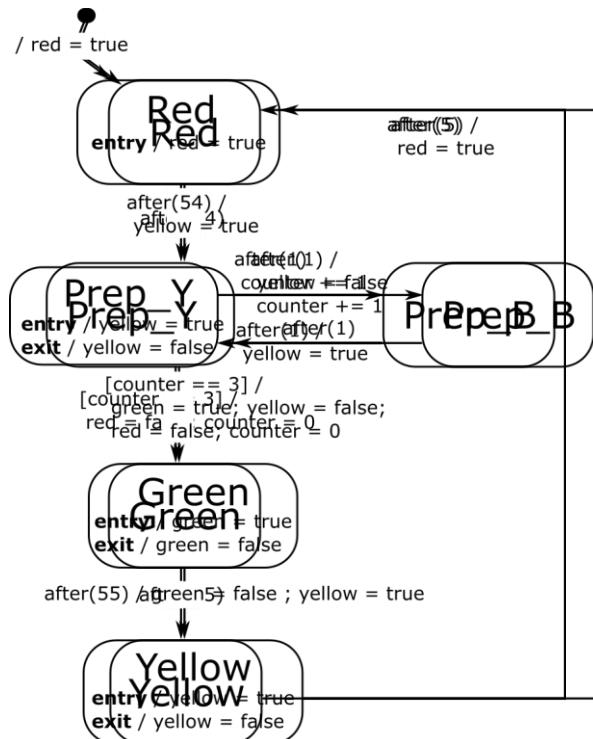
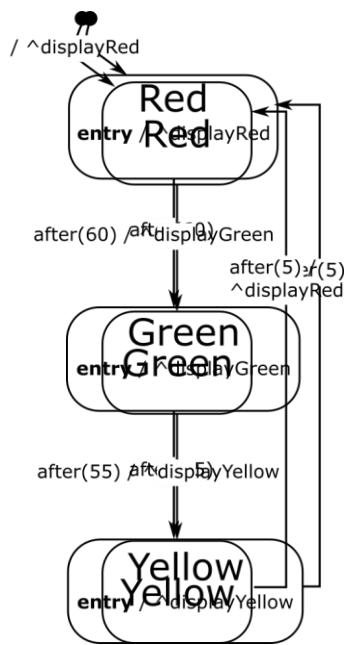


Hierarchy

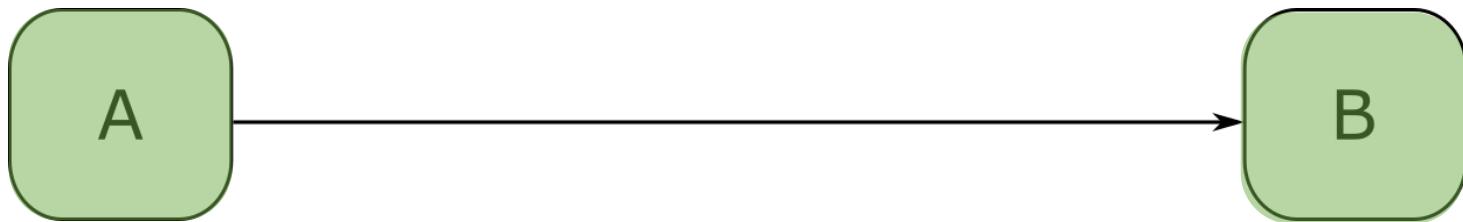
Entry/Exit Actions



- A state can declare entry and exit actions.
- An *entry action* is executed whenever a state is entered (made active).
- An *exit action* is executed whenever a state is exited (made *inactive*)
- Same expressiveness as *transition actions*:



Transitions



- Model the **dynamics** of the system:
 - *if*
 - the system is **in state A**
 - and **event is processed**
 - and **guard evaluates to true**
 - *then*
 1. the **exit actions** of state A are evaluated
 2. and **output_action** is evaluated
 3. and the **enter actions** of state B are evaluated
 4. the new **active state** is B

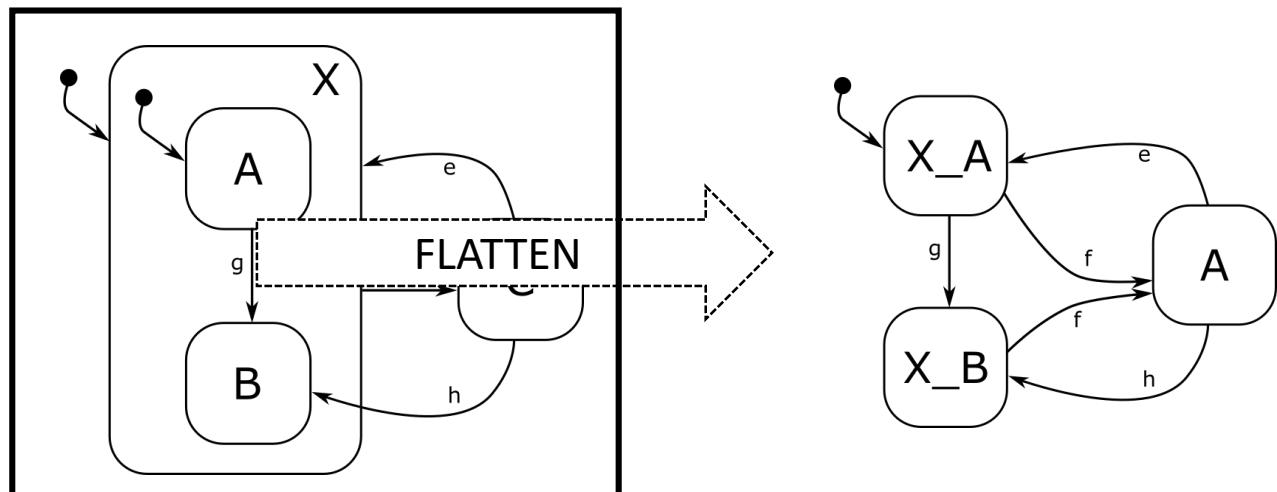
Entry/Exit Actions: Simulation Algorithm

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12        while (not quiescent()) {
13            chosen_transition = choose_one_transition(enabled_transitions)
14            cancel_timers(curr_state, timers)
15            execute_exit_actions(curr_state) // Line 15 highlighted with a red box
16            curr_state = chosen_transition.target
17            chosen_transition.action.execute(sc.variables, output_events)
18            execute_enter_actions(curr_state) // Line 18 highlighted with a red box
19            start_timers(curr_state, timers)
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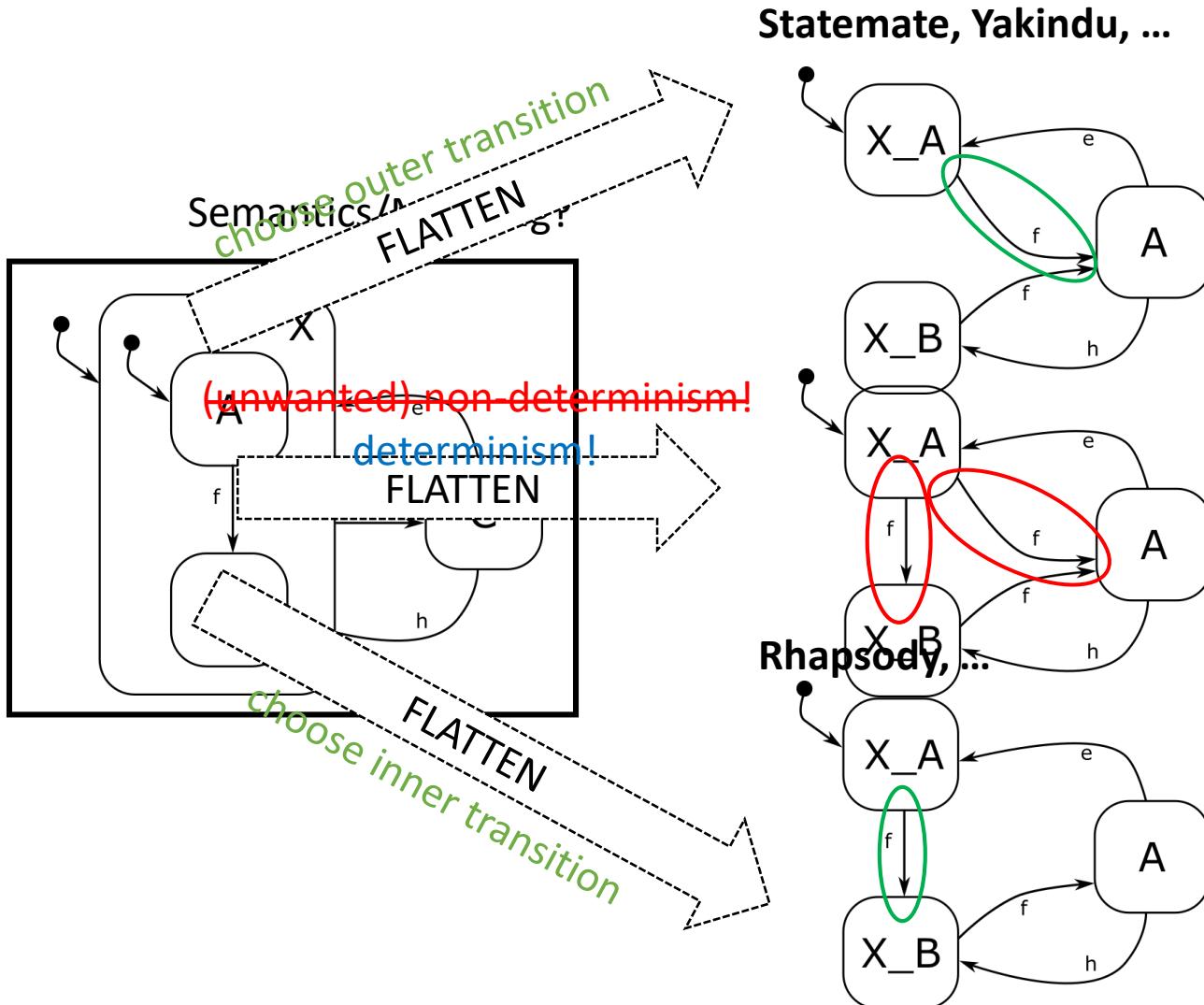
Hierarchy

- Statechart states can be hierarchically composed
- Each hierarchical state has exactly one initial state
- An active hierarchical state has exactly one active child (until leaf)

Semantics/Meaning?



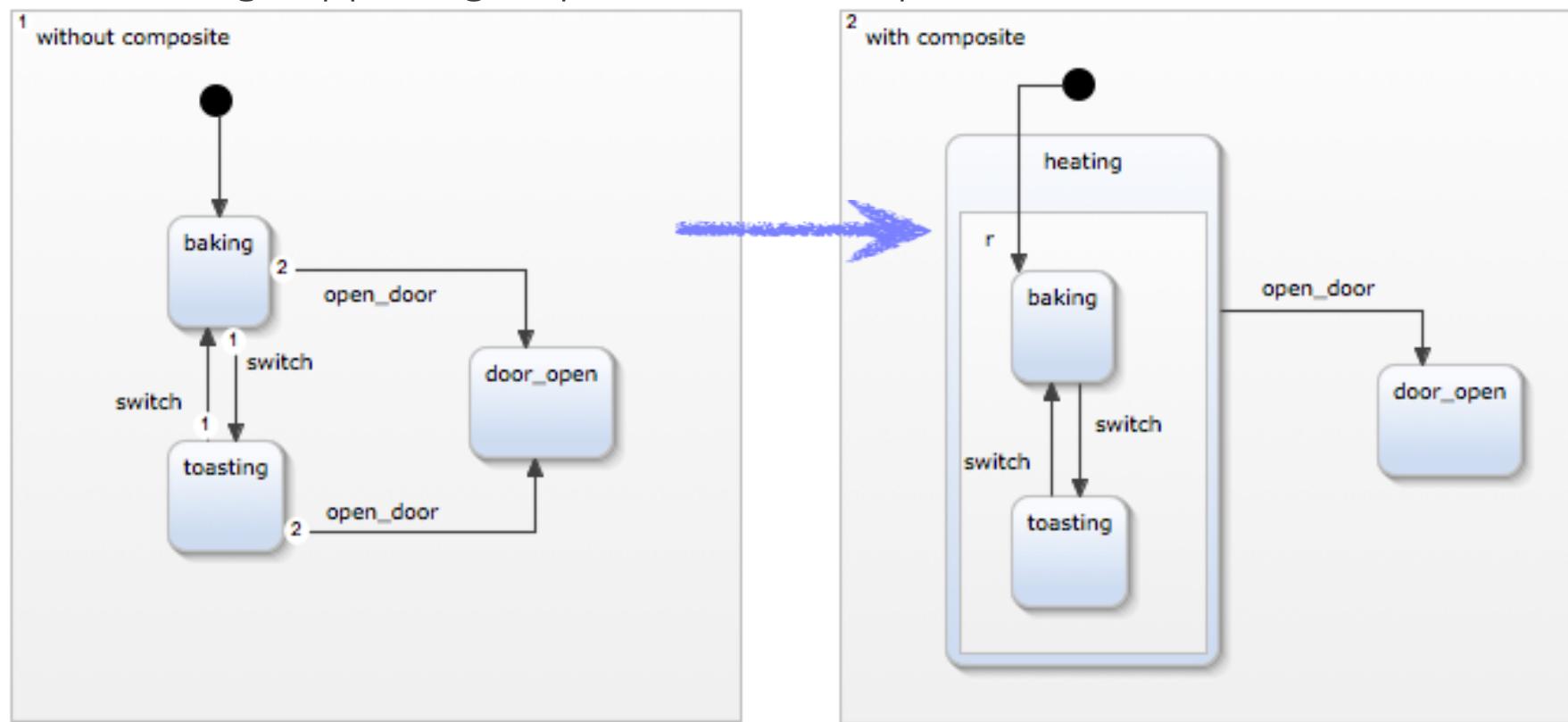
Hierarchy: Modified Example



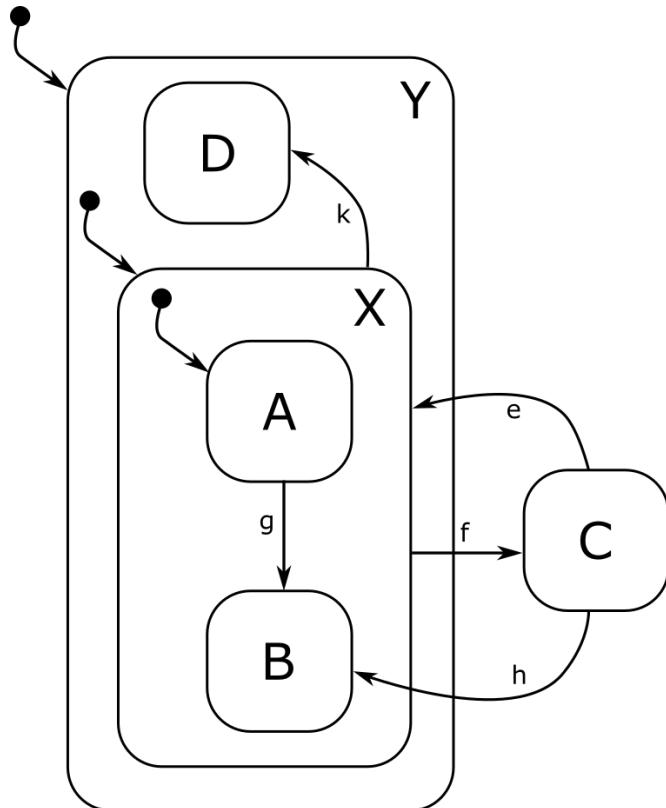


Composite States

- Hierarchical states are an ideal mechanism for hiding complexity
- Parent states can implement common behavior for its substates
- Hierarchical event processing reduces the number of transitions
- Refactoring support: group state into composite

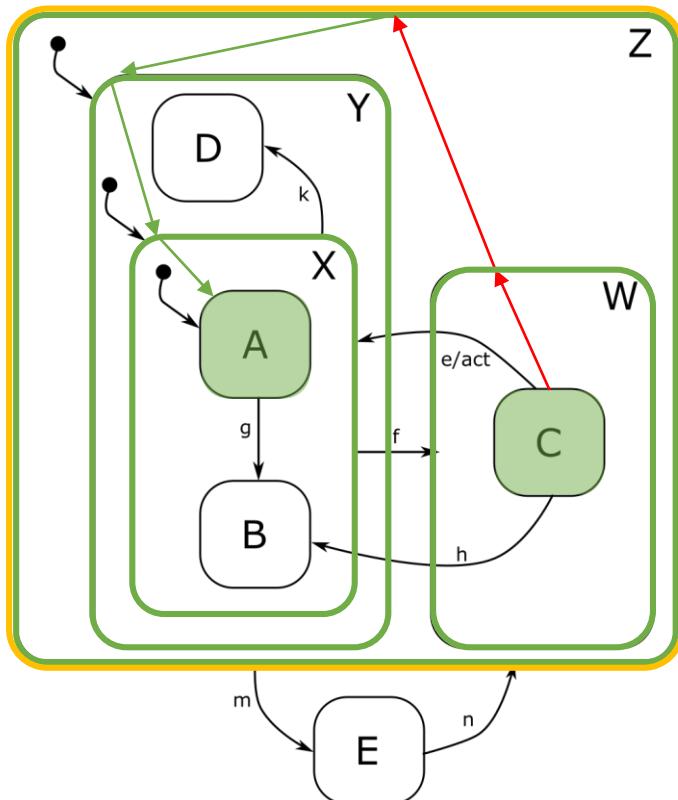


Hierarchy: Initialization



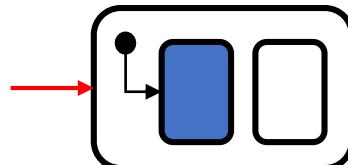
- Concept of *effective target state*
 - Recursive: the effective target state of a composite state is its initial state
- Effective target state of initial transition is $Y/X/A$
- Initialization:
 1. Enter Y, execute enter action
 2. Enter X, execute enter action
 3. Enter A, execute enter action

Hierarchy: Transitions



- Assume $Z/W/C$ is active and e is processed.
- Semantics:
 1. Find LCA, collect states to leave
 2. Leave states up the hierarchy
 3. Execute action act
 4. Find effective target state set, enter states down the hierarchy

Effective target states:

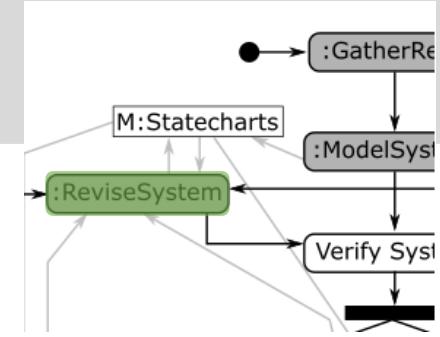
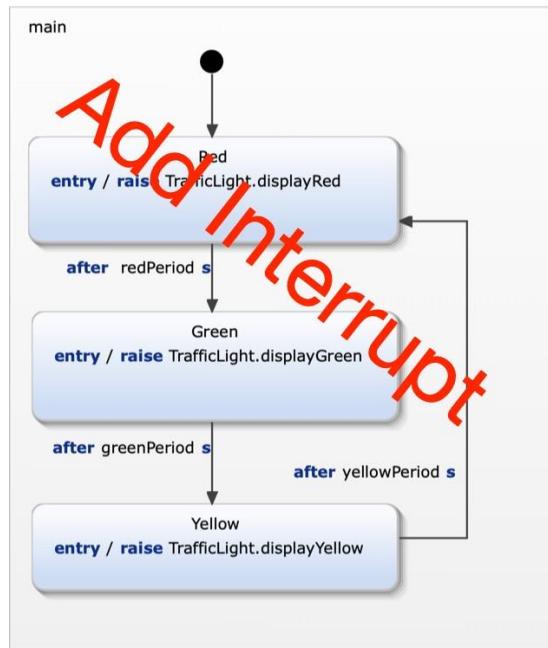


RECURSIVE!

Exercise 5

Model an interruptible traffic
light

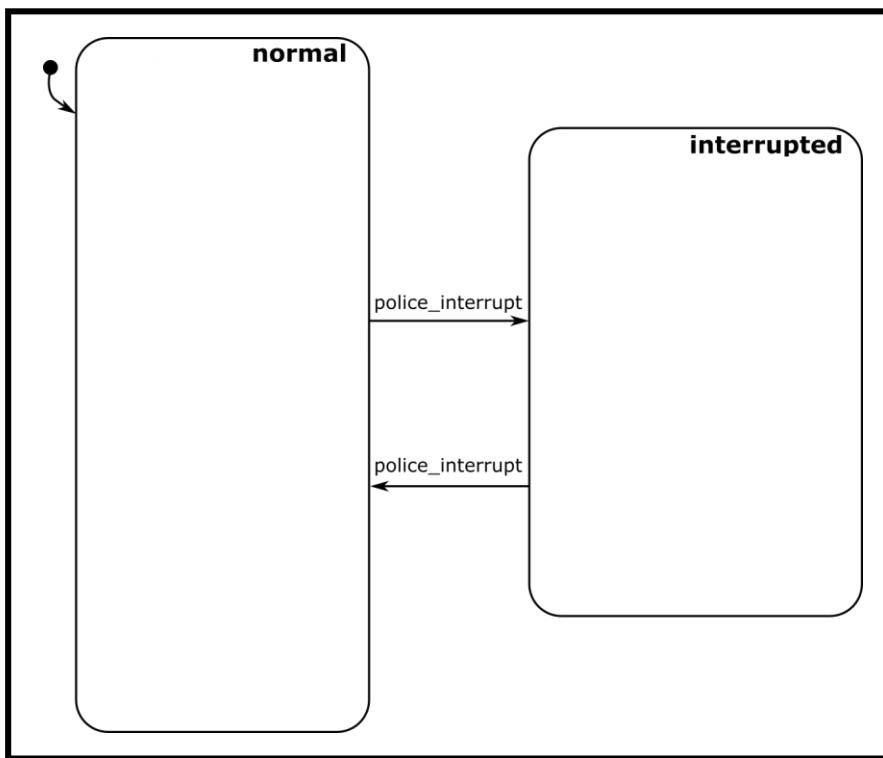
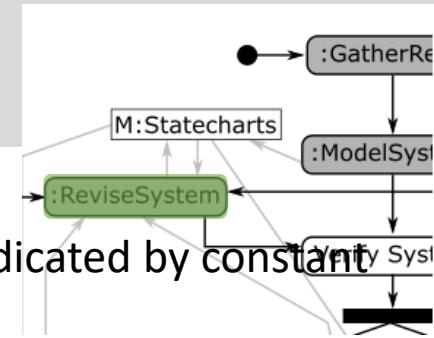
Exercise 5 - Requirements



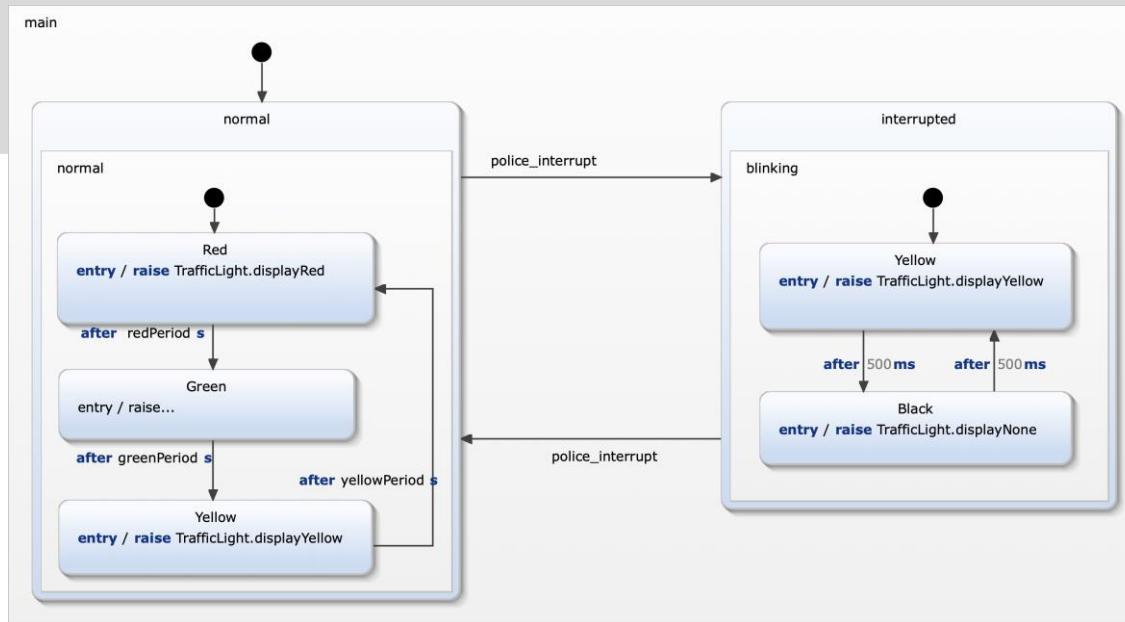
- R7a: police can interrupt autonomous operation .
- R7b: Autonomous opreration can be interrupted during any pahse indicated by constant red, yellow and green lights.
- R7c: In interrupteted mode the yellow light blinks with a constant frequency of 1 Hz. (on -> 0.5s, off 0.5s).
- R8a: Police can resume to regular autonomous operation.
- R8b: when regular operation is resumed the traffic light restarts with red (R) light on.

Exercise 5: Solution

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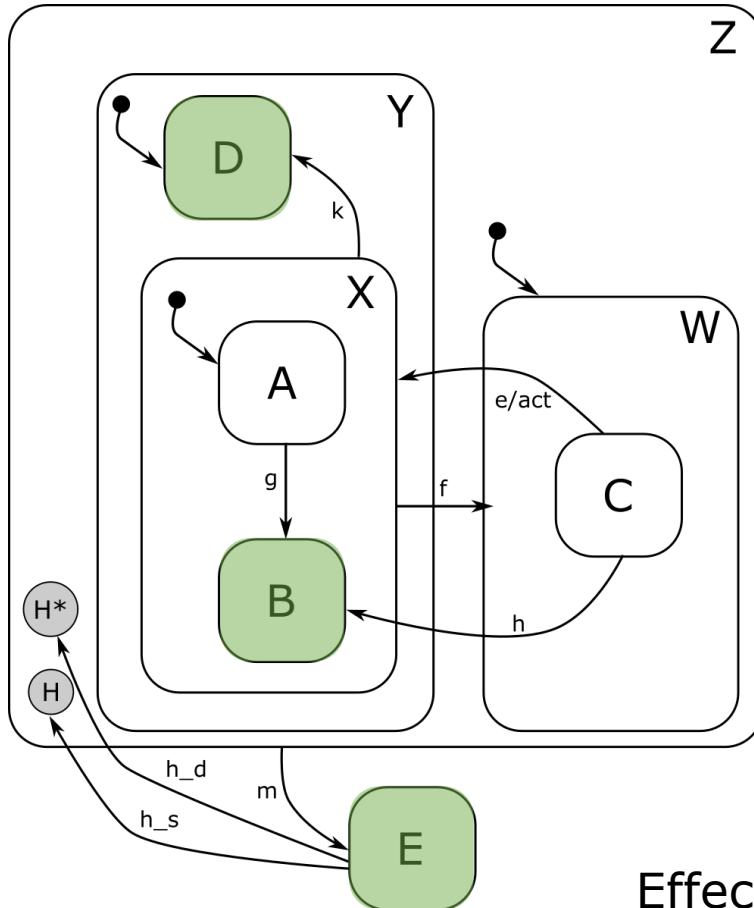


requirement	modelling approach
R6: police can interrupt autonomous operation.	An new incoming event <code>police_interrupt</code> triggers a transition to a new state <code>interrupted</code> .
R6a: Autonomous opreration can be interrupted during any pahse indicated by constant red, yellow and green lights.	The states Red, Green, and Yellow are grouped within a new composite state <code>normal</code> . This state is the source state of the transition to state <code>interrupted</code> and thus also applies to all substates.
R7: In interrupteted mode the yellow light blinks with a constant frequency of 1 Hz. (on -> 0.5s, off 0.5s).	State <code>interrupted</code> is a composite state with two substates <code>Yellow</code> and <code>Black</code> . These switch the yellow light on and off. Timed transitions between these states ensure correct timing for blinking.
R8: Police can resume to regular autonomous operation.	A transition triggered by <code>police_interrupt</code> leads from state <code>interrupted</code> to state <code>normal</code> .
R8a: When regular operation is resumed the traffic light restarts with red (R) light on.	When activating state <code>normal</code> its substate <code>Red</code> is activated by default.

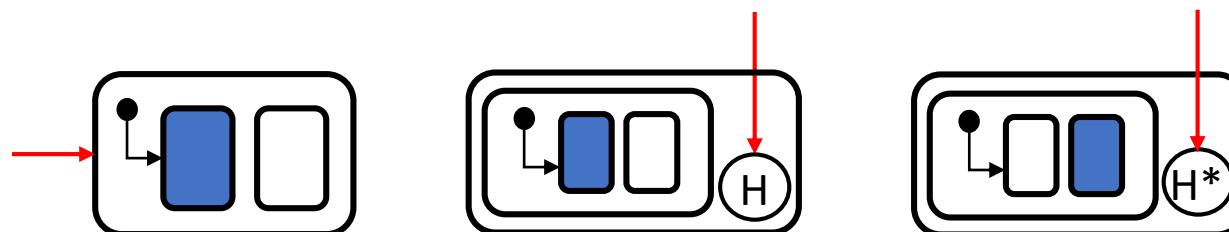
History

History

(H) shallow history (H*) deep history



Effective target states:

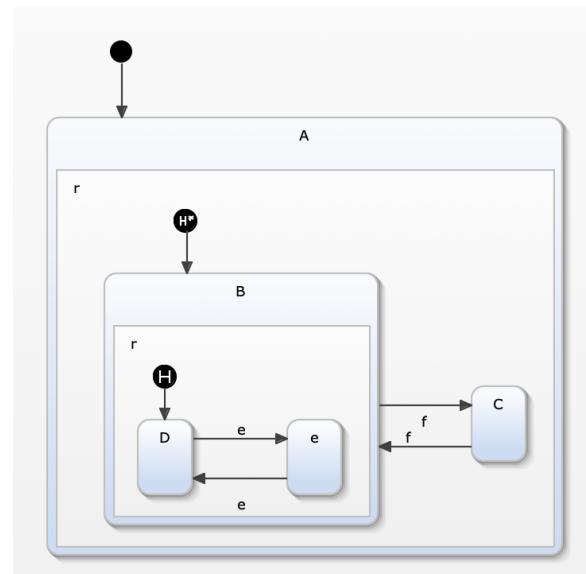


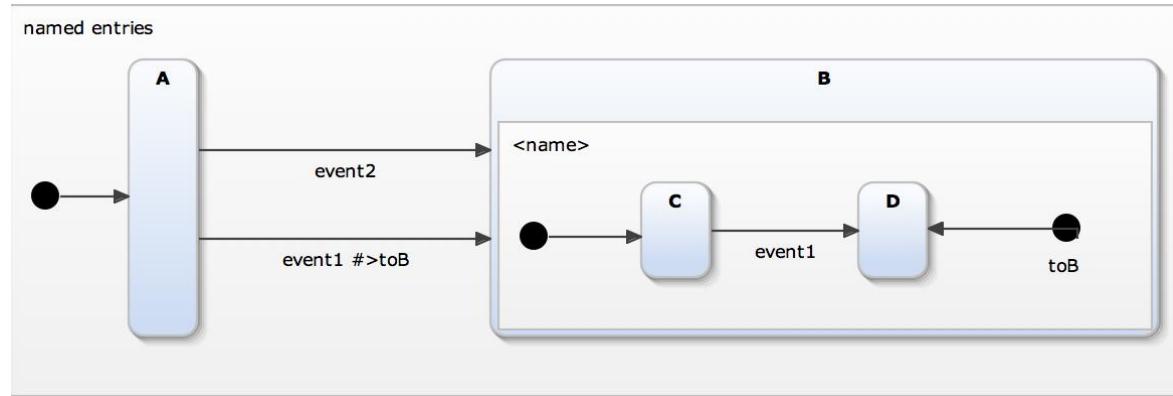
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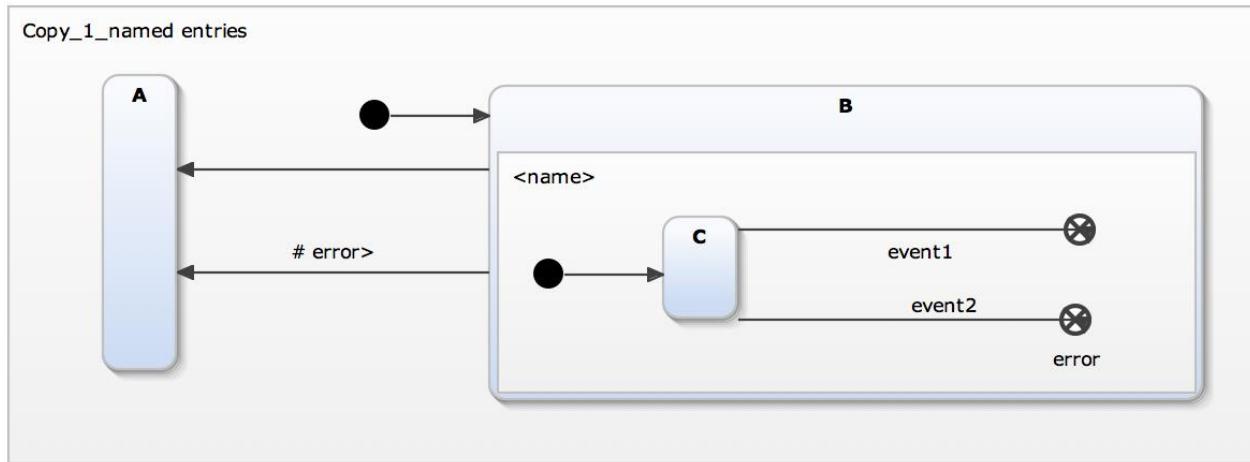
Entries & Exits & Histories

- Entry- and exit-nodes define, how regions are entered or exited.
- There are three kind of entry nodes (initial, shallow history, deep history), but just one exit node.





- Named entry nodes work like „go to“.
- The transition A>B trigger by event1 will enter C.
- The transition A>B trigger by event2 will enter D through the named entry ,toB‘.

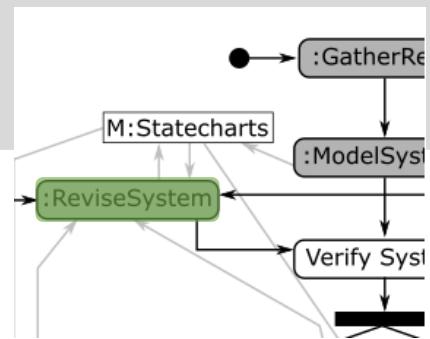


- Named exit nodes work like „come from“.
- The upper transition B>A will be taken on event1.
- The lower transition B>A will be taken on event2 through named entry ,error‘

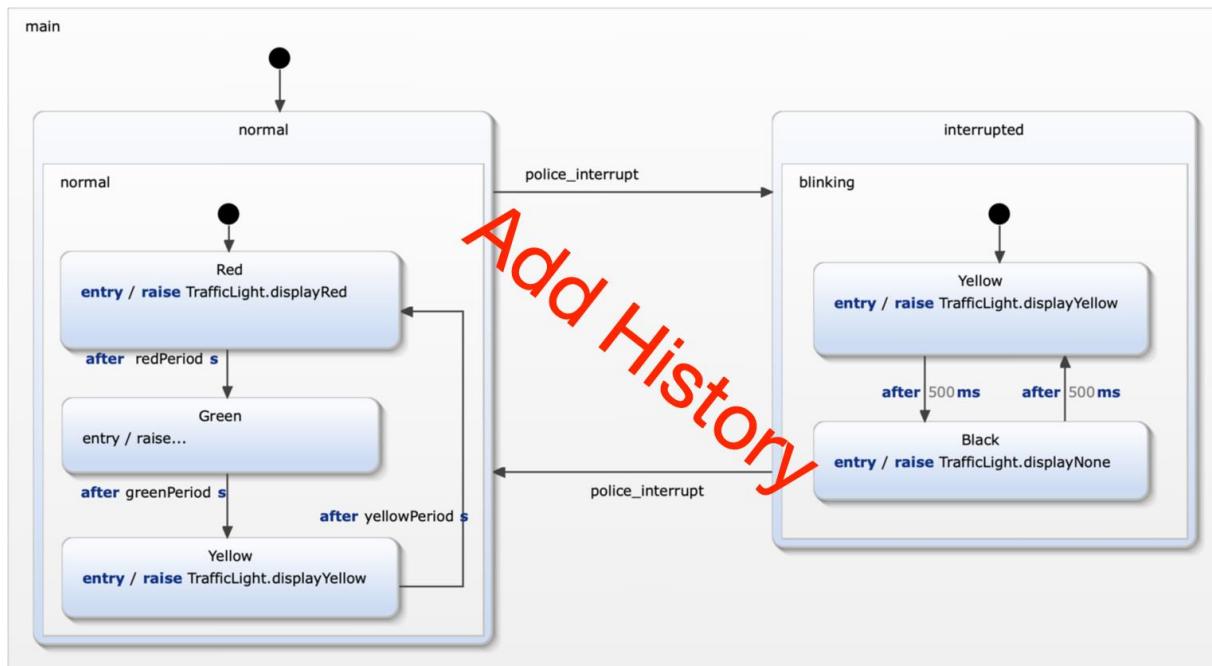
Exercise 6

Model an interruptible traffic light that restores its state

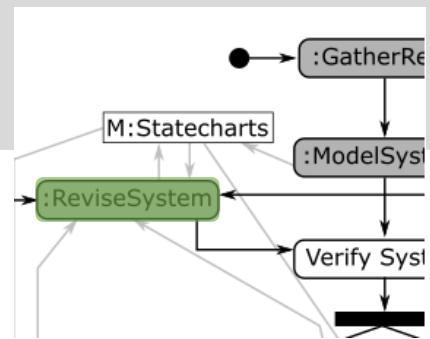
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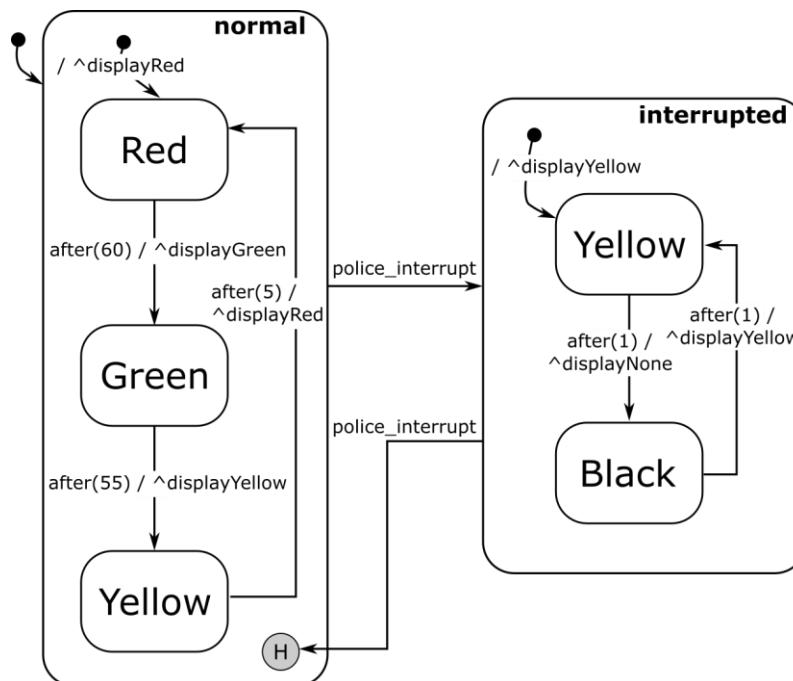
- R8b: when regular operation is resumed the traffic light restarts with the last active light color red (R), green (G), or yellow (Y) on.



Exercise 6: Solution



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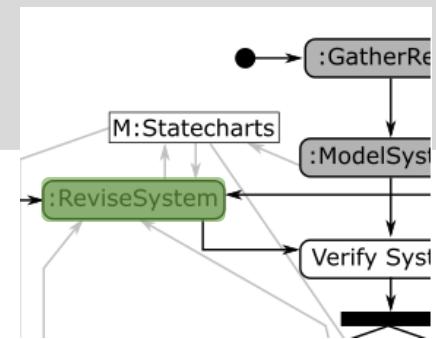


Exercise 7

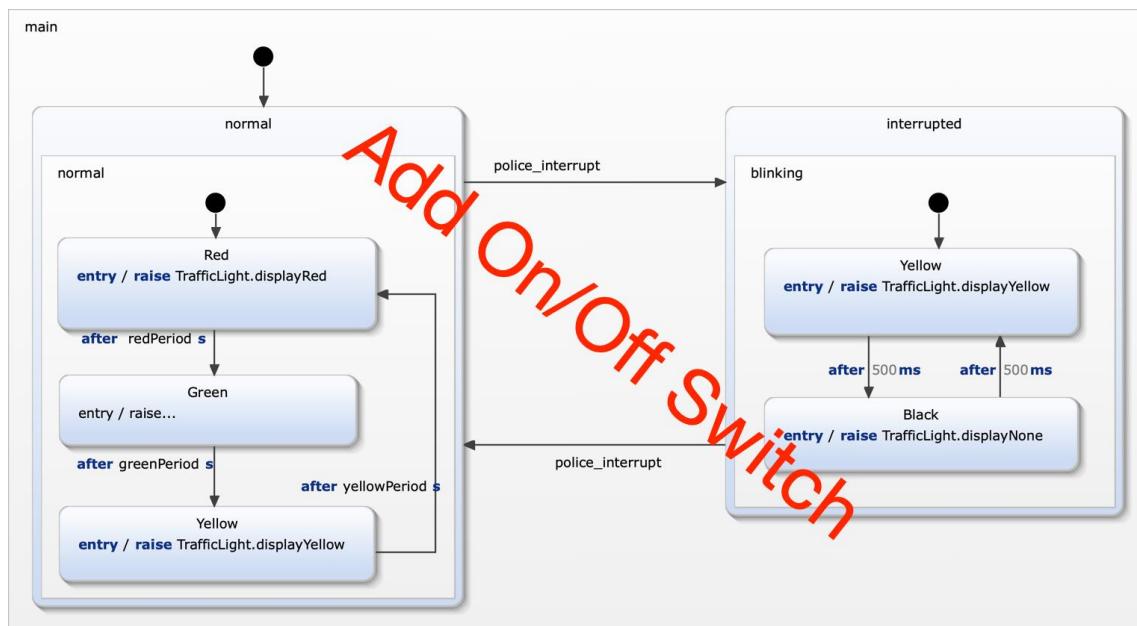
Model an interruptible traffic light that restores its state and can be switched on/off

Exercise 7: Requirements

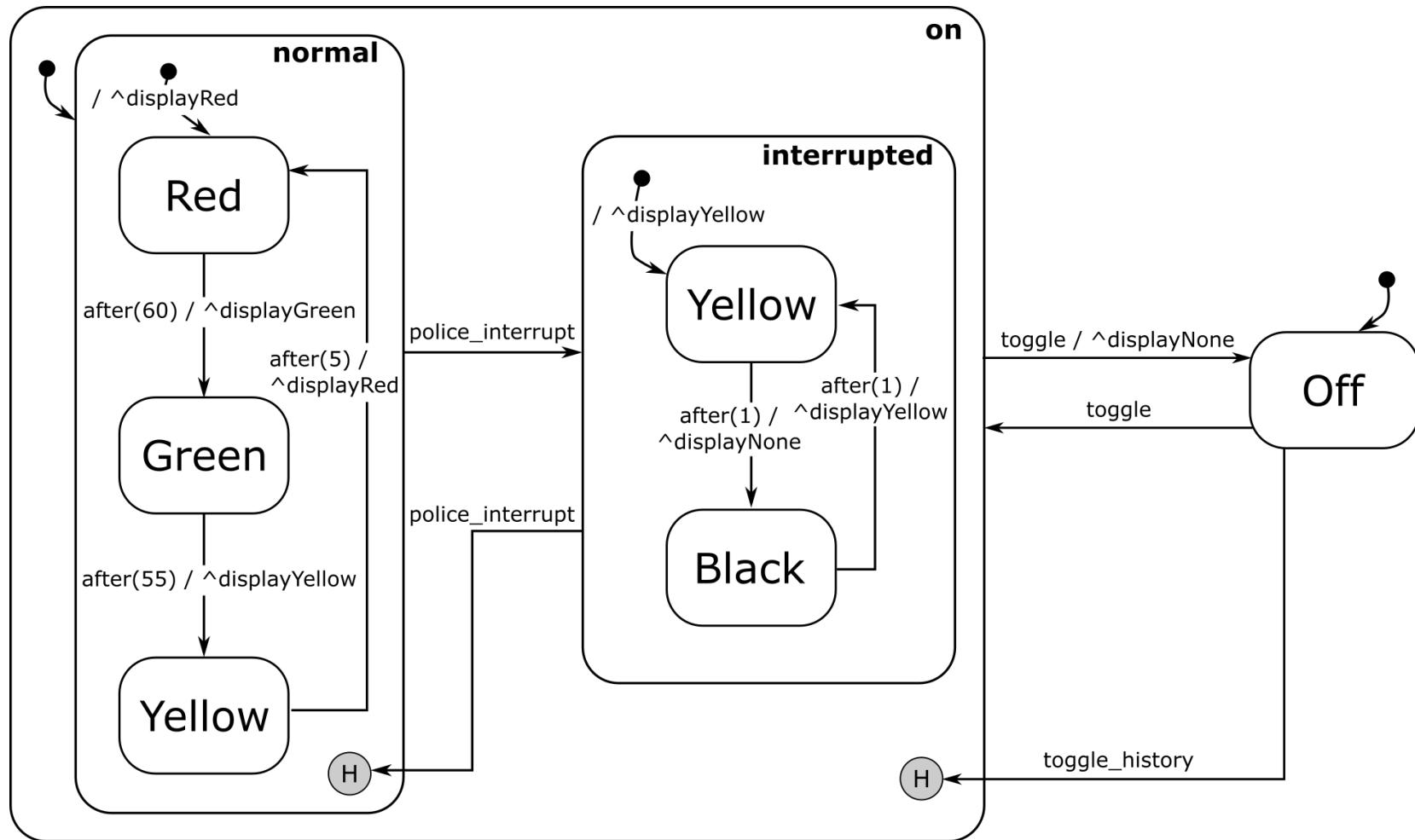
Add another hierarchy level that supports switching on and off the complete traffic light. Go into detail with shallow and deep histories.



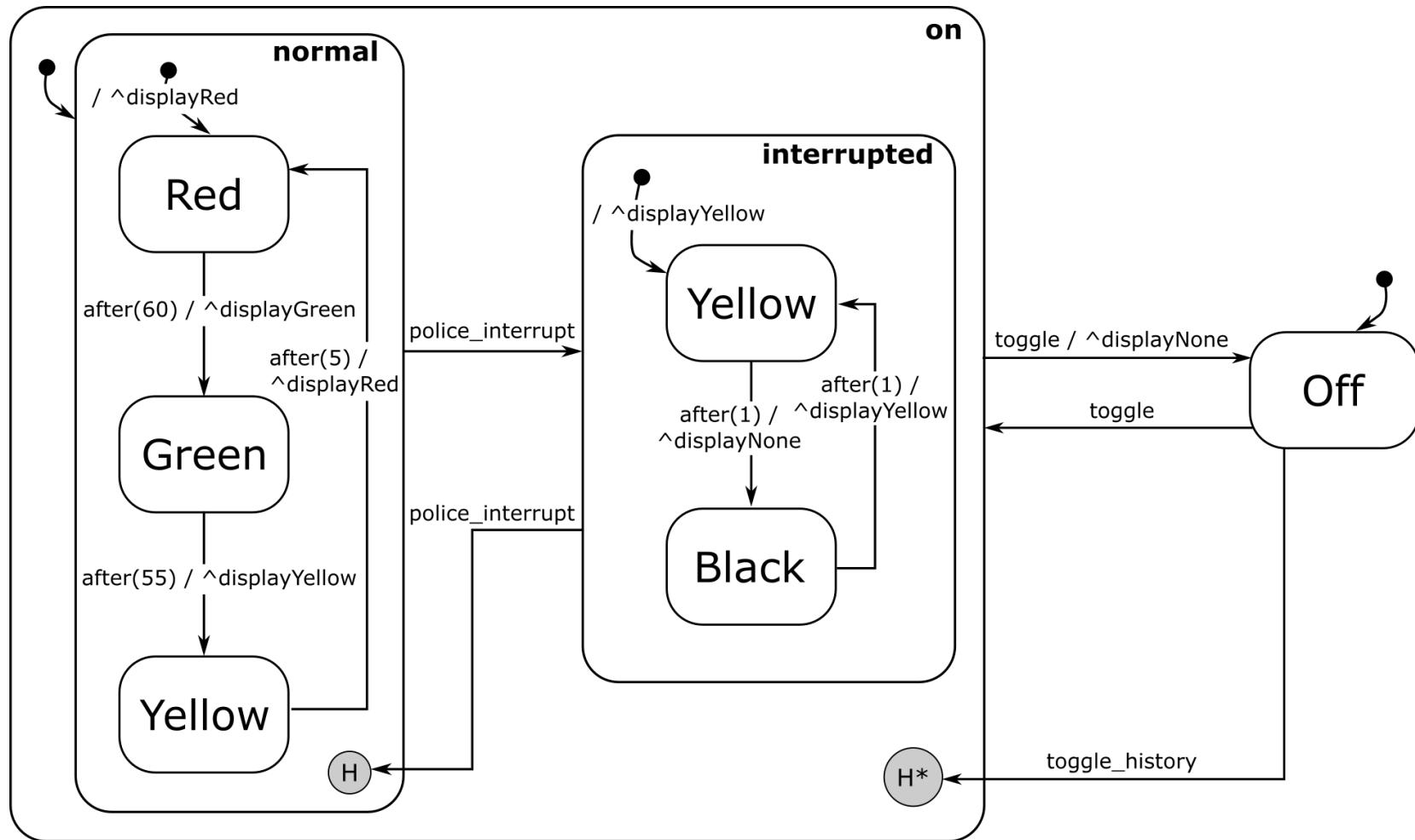
- R9: The traffic light can be switched on and off.
- R9a: The traffic light is initially off.
- R9b: If the traffic light is off nocht light is on.
- R9c: After switching off and on again the traffic light must switch on the previously activated light.



Exercise 7: Solution



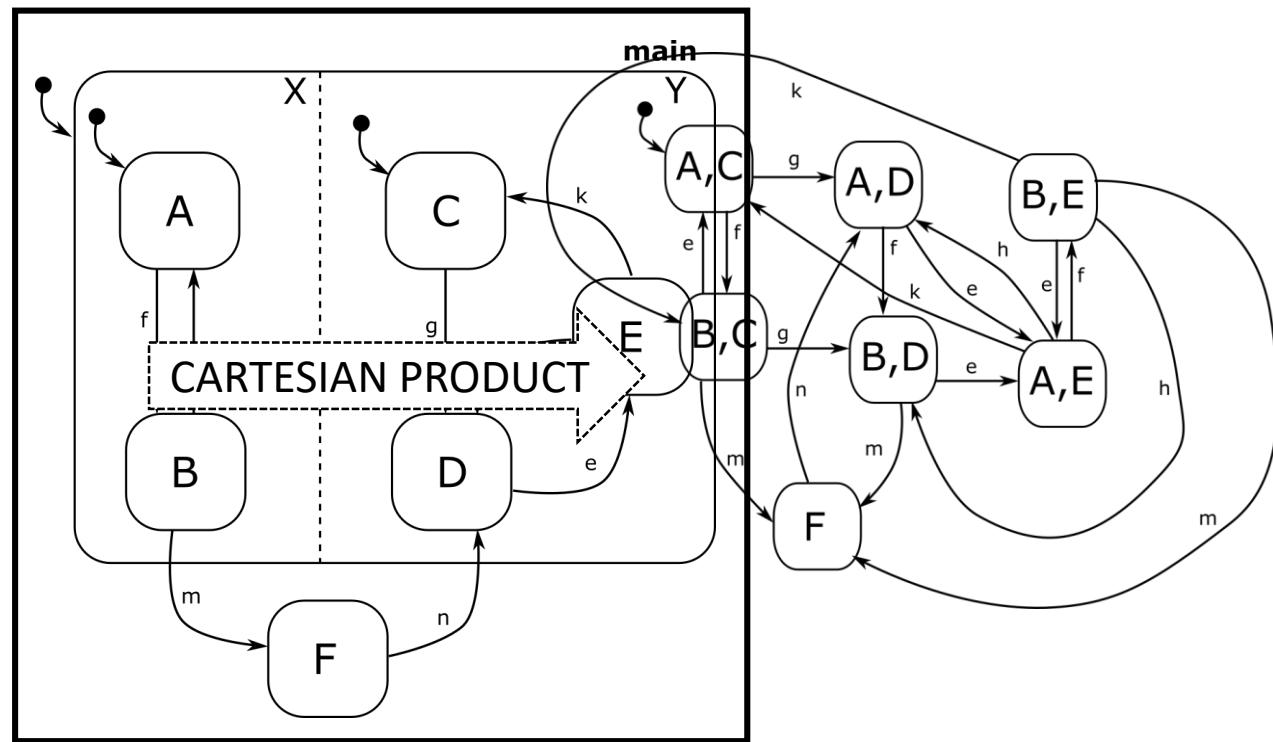
Exercise 7: Alternative Solution



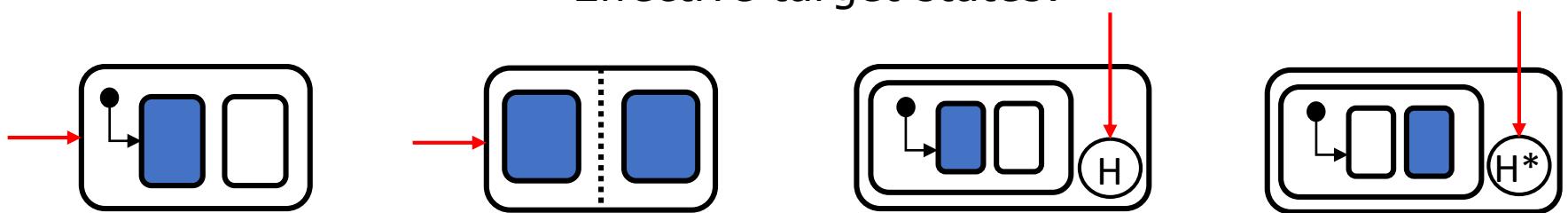
Orthogonality

Orthogonality

Semantics/Meaning?

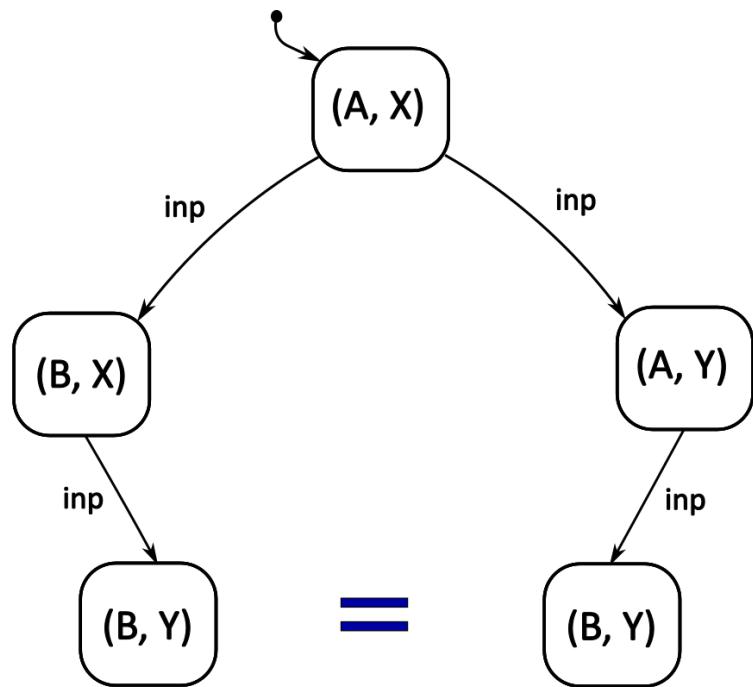
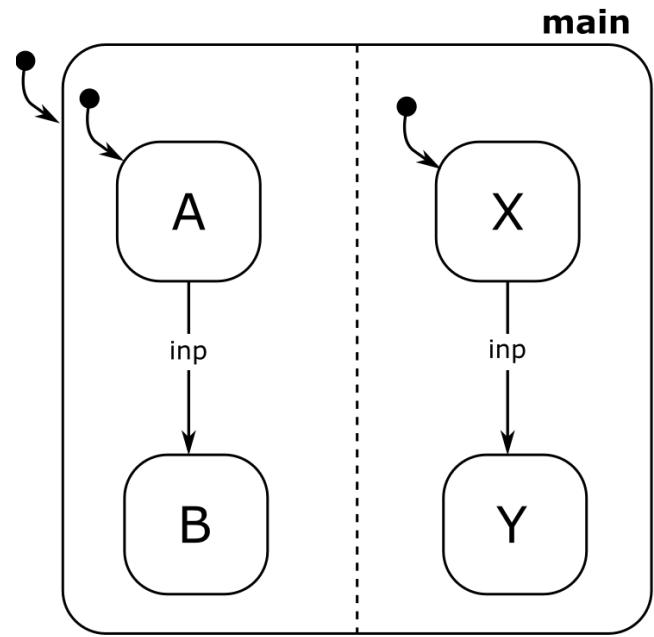


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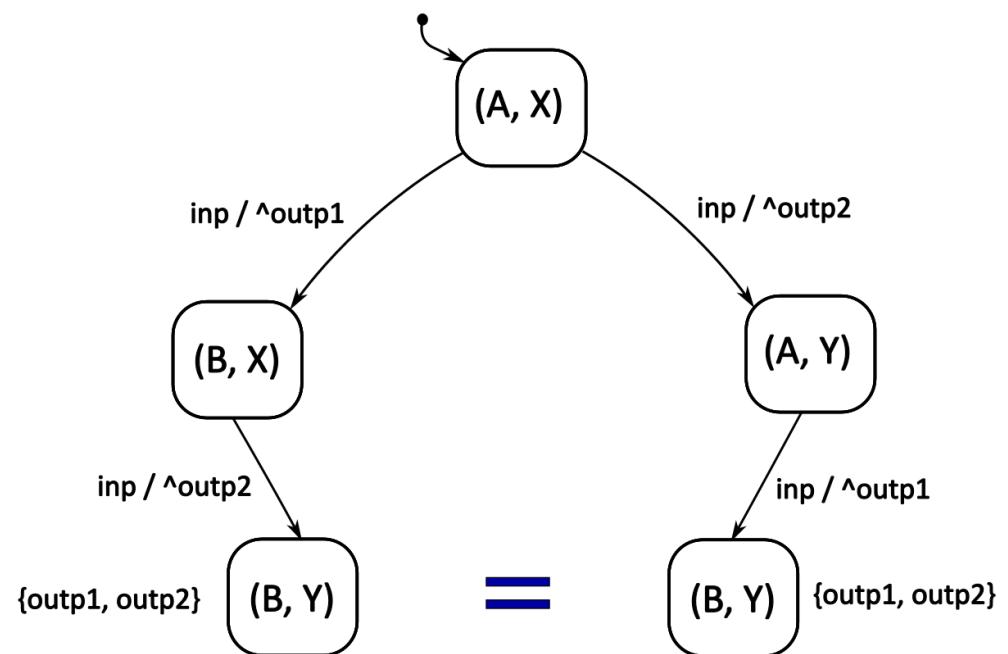
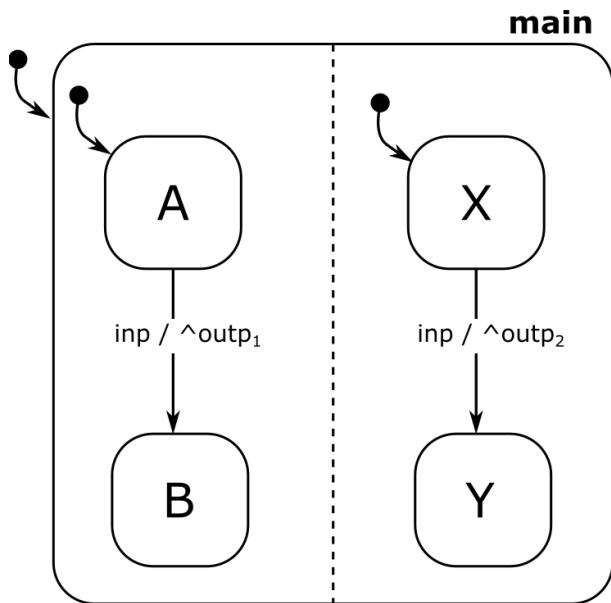


RECURSIVE!

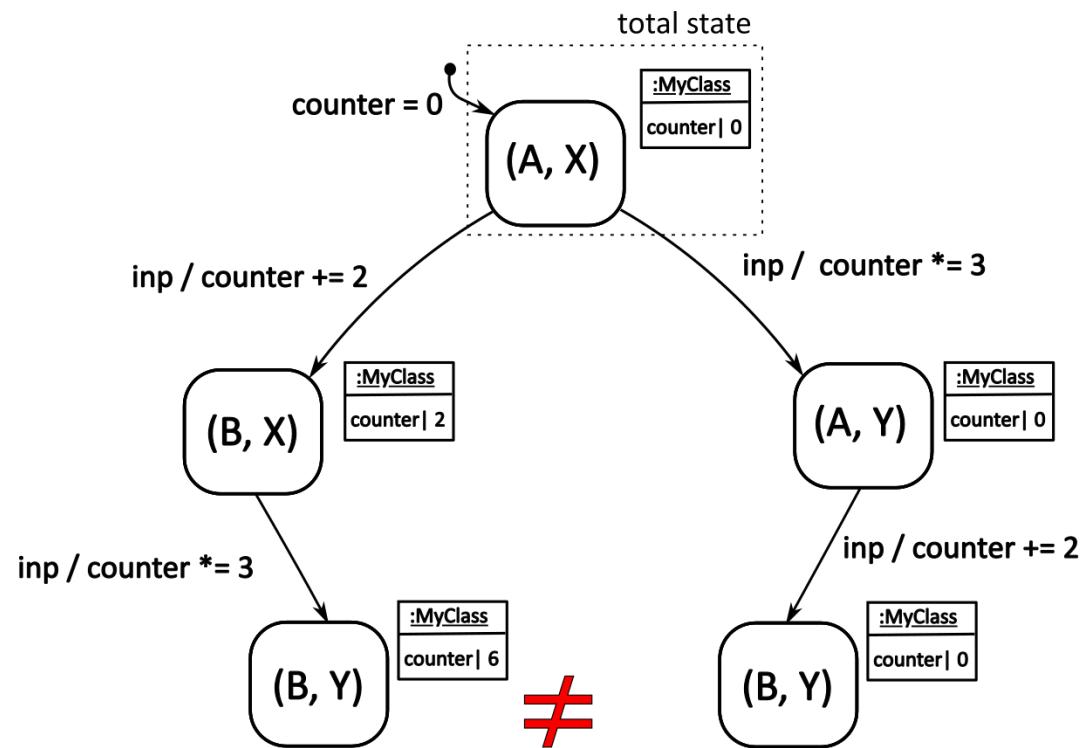
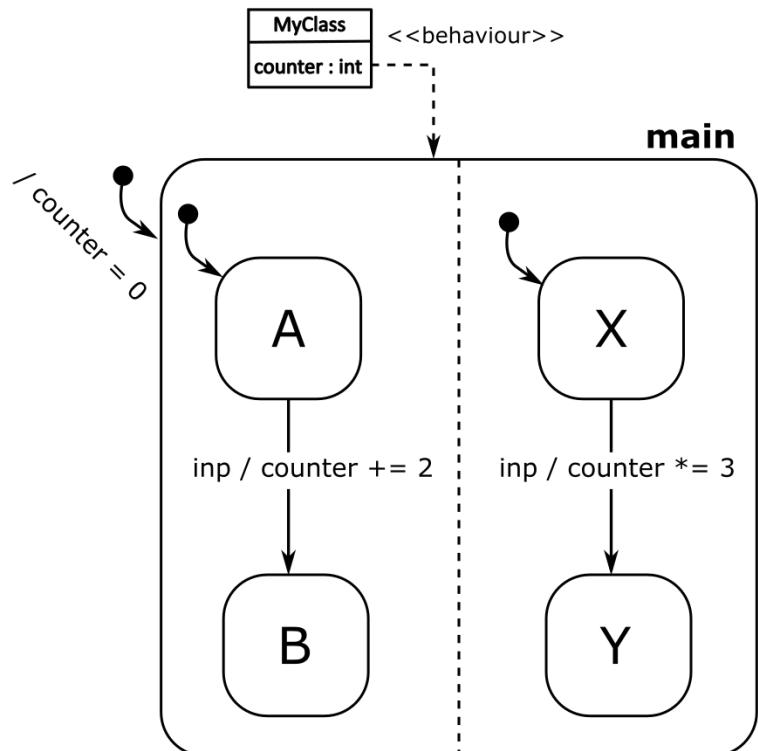
Parallel (In)Dependence



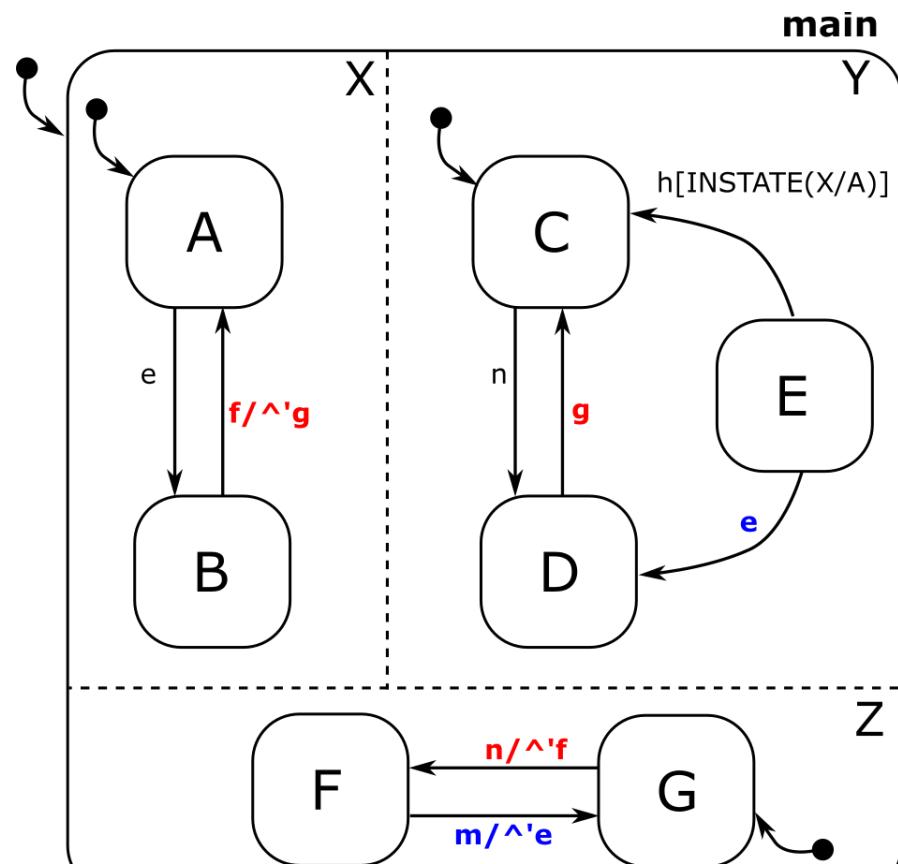
Parallel (In)Dependence



Parallel (In)Dependence



Orthogonality: Communication



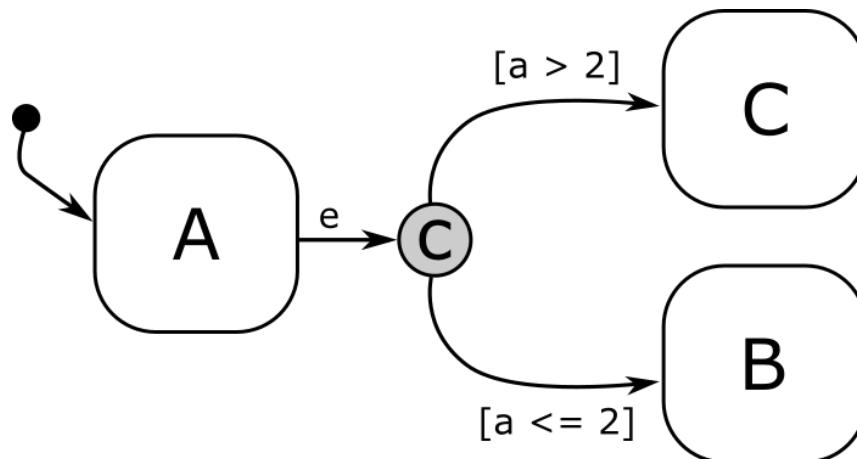
Input Segment: nmnn

- Components can communicate:
 - raising local events:
 $\wedge'<<\text{event name}>>$
 - INSTATE macro
`INSTATE(<<\text{state location}>>)`

Simulation Algorithm

```
1  simulate(sc: Statechart) {
2      input_events = initialize_queue()
3      output_events = initialize_queue()
4      local_events = initialize_queue()
5      timers = initialize_set()
6      curr_state = get_effective_target_states(sc.initial_state)
7      for (var in sc.variables) {
8          var.value = var.initial_value
9      }
10     while (not finished()) {
11         curr_event = input_events.get()
12         for (region in sc.orthogonal_regions) {
13             enabled_transitions[region] = find_enabled_transitions(curr_state, curr_event, sc.variables)
14         }
15         while (not quiescent()) {
16             chosen_region = choose_one_region(sc.orthogonal_regions)
17             chosen_transition = choose_one_transition(enabled_transitions[chosen_region])
18             states_to_exit = get_states_to_exit(get_lca(curr_state, chosen_transition))
19             for (state_to_exit in states_to_exit) {
20                 cancel_timers(state_to_exit, timers)
21                 execute_exit_actions(state_to_exit)
22                 remove_state_from_curr_state(state_to_exit)
23             }
24             chosen_transition.action.execute(sc.variables, output_events, local_events)
25             states_to_enter = get_effective_target_states(chosen_transition)
26             for (state_to_enter in states_to_enter) {
27                 add_state_to_curr_state(state_to_enter)
28                 execute_enter_actions(state_to_enter)
29                 start_timers(state_to_enter, timers)
30             }
31             enabled_transitions = find_enabled_transitions(curr_state, sc.variables, local_events)
32         }
33     }
34 }
```

Conditional Transitions



- `getEffectiveTargetStates()`: select one *true*-branch
- Always an “else” branch required!
- Equivalent (in this case) to two transitions:
 - $A - e[a > 2] \rightarrow C$
 - $A - e[a \leq 2] \rightarrow B$

Exercise 8

Add a timer to the traffic light

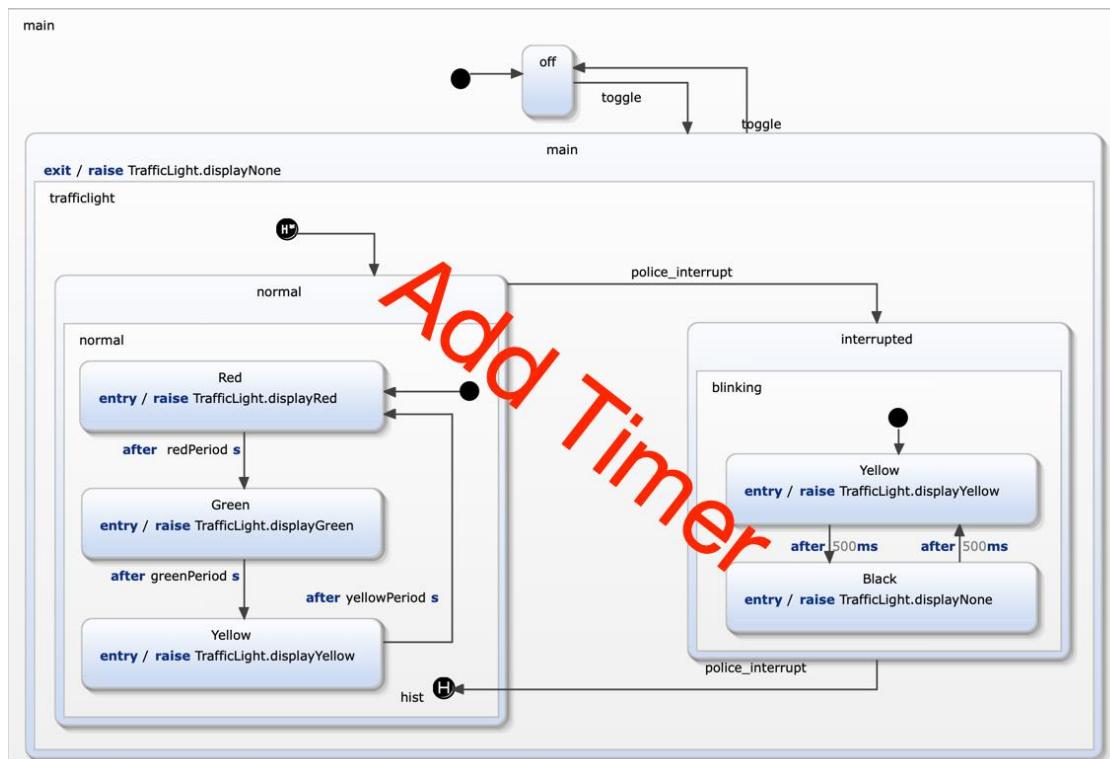
Exercise 8: Requirements

TrafficLight

- timer: int

In this exercise a timer must be modeled. It introduces using orthogonal regions.

- R10a: A timer displays the remaining time while the light is red or green
- R10b: This timer decreases and displays its value every second.
- R10c: The colour of the timer reflects the colour of the traffic light.

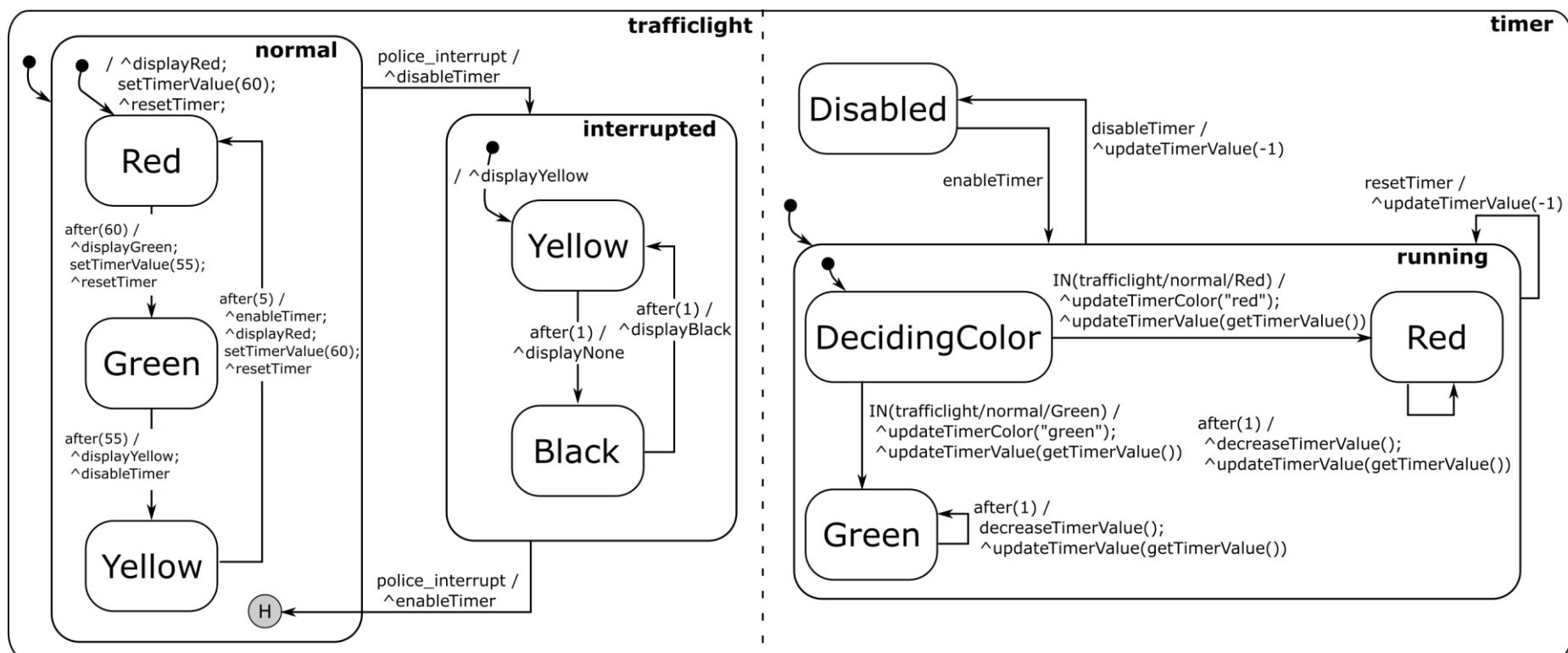


Exercise 8: Solution

TrafficLight

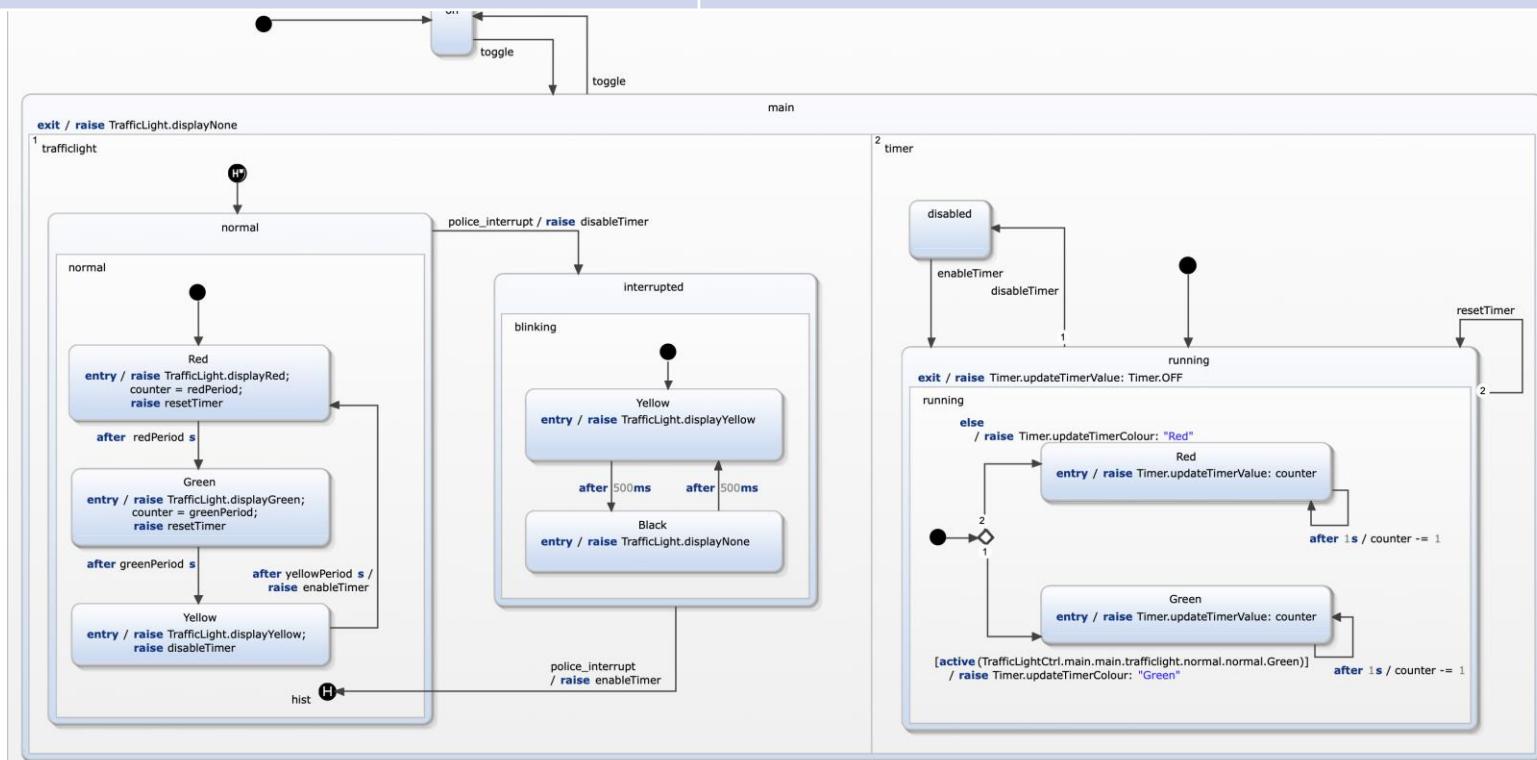
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Solution 8

requirement	modelling approach
R10: a timer displays the remaining time while the light is red or green	The timer is defined in a second region within state on.
R10a: This timer decreases and displays its value every second.	An internal variable for the counter is introduced. When switching e traffic light phase the counter value is set to the time period of the phase. Additionally the local events resetTimer, enableTimer, and disableTimer are used to synchronize traffic light phase switches with the timer.
R10b: The colour of the timer reflects the colour of the traffic light.	When the timer is enabled it checks the active traffic light phase state using active() function.



Code Generation



- Code generators for C, C++, Java, Python, Swift, Typescript, SCXML
- Plain-code approach by default
- Very efficient code
- Easy integration of custom generators



Python



JavaScript



Code Generation

- Various different approaches for implementing a state machine (switch / case, state transition table, state pattern)
- Which one is the best depends on
 - Runtime requirements
 - ROM and RAM memory
 - Debug capabilities
 - Clarity and maintainability

Switch / Case

- Each state corresponds to one case
- Each case executes state-specific statements and state transitions

```
public void stateMachine() {  
    while (true) {  
        switch (activeState) {  
            case RED: {  
                activeState = State.RED_YELLOW;  
                break;  
            }  
            case RED_YELLOW: {  
                activeState = State.GREEN;  
                break;  
            }  
            case GREEN: {  
                activeState = State.YELLOW;  
                break;  
            }  
            case YELLOW: {  
                activeState = State.RED;  
                break;  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

State Transition Table

- Specifies the state machine purely declaratively.
- One of the dimensions indicates current states, while the other indicates events.

```
enum columns {
    SOURCE_STATE,
    USER_UP, USER_DOWN, POSSENSOR_UPPER_POSITION, POSSENSOR_LOWER_POSITION,
    TARGET_STATE
};

#define ROWS 7
#define COLS 6
int state_table[ROWS][COLS] = {
/*      source,      up,    down,   upper, lower, target */
    { INITIAL,    false, false, false, false, IDLE },
    { IDLE,       true,  false, false, false, MOVING_UP },
    { IDLE,      false,  true,  false, false, MOVING_DOWN },
    { MOVING_UP,  false, true,  false, false, IDLE },
    { MOVING_UP,  false, false, true,  false, IDLE },
```

State Pattern

- Object-oriented implementation, behavioural design pattern
- Used by several frameworks like Spring Statemachine, Boost MSM or Qt State Machine Framework
- Each State becomes one class
- All classes derive from a common interface

```
public class MovingUp extends AbstractState {  
  
    public MovingUp(StateMachine stateMachine) {  
        super(stateMachine);  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public void raiseUserDown() {  
        stateMachine.activateState(new Idle(stateMachine));  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public void raisePosSensorUpperPosition() {  
        stateMachine.activateState(new Idle(stateMachine));  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public String getName() {  
        return "Moving up";  
    }  
}
```

Code Generation

SCT →

	Fast	Memory efficient	easy to debug	Easy to understand
Switch / Case				
State Transition Table				
State Pattern				



very simplified illustration



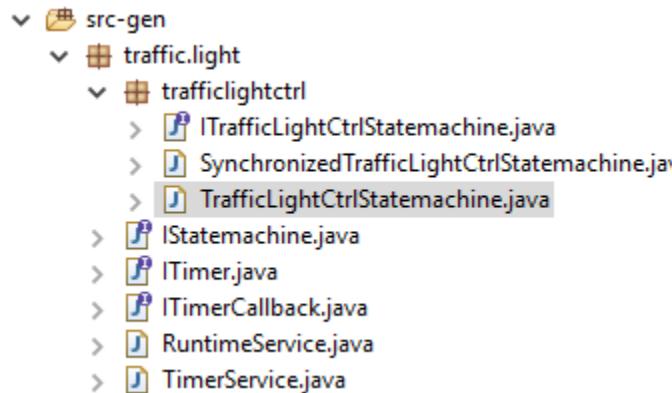
```
GeneratorModel for yakindu::java {  
    statechart exercise5 {  
        feature Outlet {  
            targetProject = "5_sctunit"  
            targetFolder = "src-gen"  
            libraryTargetFolder = "src"  
        }  
    }  
}
```

- Has a generator ID
- Has a generator entry
- Each generator entry contains 1..n feature-configurations
- Each feature-configuration contains 1..n properties

Generated Code

Sample

Files



- 8 files
- 1311 lines of code
- 302 manual (UI) code

```
TrafficLightCtrl.sct  TrafficLightCtrlStatemachine.java

        break;
    case main_main_trafficlight_interrupted_blinking_Yellow:
        exitSequence_main_main_trafficlight_interrupted_blinking_Yellow();
        break;
    case main_main_trafficlight_normal_normal_Red:
        exitSequence_main_main_trafficlight_normal_normal_Red();
        break;
    case main_main_trafficlight_normal_normal_Yellow:
        exitSequence_main_main_trafficlight_normal_normal_Yellow();
        break;
    case main_main_trafficlight_normal_normal_Green:
        exitSequence_main_main_trafficlight_normal_normal_Green();
        break;
    default:
        break;
    }

    /* Default exit sequence for region blinking */
private void exitSequence_main_main_trafficlight_interrupted_blinking() {
    switch (stateVector[0]) {
        case main_main_trafficlight_interrupted_blinking_Black:
            exitSequence_main_main_trafficlight_interrupted_blinking_Black();
            break;
        case main_main_trafficlight_interrupted_blinking_Yellow:
            exitSequence_main_main_trafficlight_interrupted_blinking_Yellow();
            break;
        default:
            break;
    }
}

    /* Default exit sequence for region normal */
private void exitSequence_main_main_trafficlight_normal_normal() {
    switch (stateVector[0]) {
        case main_main_trafficlight_normal_normal_Red:
            exitSequence_main_main_trafficlight_normal_normal_Red();
            break;
        case main_main_trafficlight_normal_normal_Yellow:
            exitSequence_main_main_trafficlight_normal_normal_Yellow();
            break;
        case main_main_trafficlight_normal_normal_Green:
            exitSequence_main_main_trafficlight_normal_normal_Green();
            break;
        default:
            break;
    }
}

    /* Default exit sequence for region timer */
private void exitSequence_main_main_timer() {
    ... ...
}
```

Interface

```
TrafficLightCtrl
interface:
in event police_interrupt
in event toggle

interface TrafficLight:
out event displayRed
out event displayGreen
out event displayYellow
out event displayNone

interface Timer:
out event updateTimerColour: string
out event updateTimerValue: integer

internal:
event resetTimer
event disableTimer
event enableTimer
var counter: integer
```

Setup Code (Excerpt)

```
protected void setupStatemachine() {
    statemachine = new SynchronizedTrafficLightCtrlStatemachine();
    timer = new MyTimerService(10.0);
    statemachine.setTimer(timer);

    statemachine.getSCITrafficLight().getListeners().add(new ITrafficLightCtrlStatemachine.SCITrafficLightListener() {
        @Override
        public void onDisplayYellowRaised() {
            setLights(false, true, false);
        }

        public void onDisplayRedRaised() {} 

        public void onDisplayNoneRaised() {} 

        public void onDisplayGreenRaised() {} 
    });

    statemachine.getSCITimer().getListeners().add(new ITrafficLightCtrlStatemachine.SCITimerListener() {
        @Override
        public void onUpdateTimerValueRaised(long value) {
            crossing.getCounterVis().setCounterValue(value);
            repaint();
        }

        @Override
        public void onUpdateTimerColourRaised(String value) {
            crossing.getCounterVis().setColor(value == "Red" ? Color.RED : Color.GREEN);
        }
    });

    buttonPanel.getPoliceInterrupt()
        .addActionListener(e -> statemachine.getSCIface().raisePolice_interrupt());

    buttonPanel.getSwitchOnOff()
        .addActionListener(e -> statemachine.getSCIface().raiseToggle());
}

statemachine.init();

private void setLights(boolean red, boolean yellow, boolean green) {
    crossing.getTrafficLightVis().setRed(red);
    crossing.getTrafficLightVis().setYellow(yellow);
    crossing.getTrafficLightVis().setGreen(green);
    repaint();
}
```

Generator

```
GeneratorModel for yakindu::java {

    statechart TrafficLightCtrl {

        feature Outlet {
            targetProject = "traffic_light_history"
            targetFolder = "src-gen"
        }

        feature Naming {
            basePackage = "traffic.light"
            implementationSuffix = ""
        }

        feature GeneralFeatures {
            RuntimeService = true
            TimerService = true
            InterfaceObserverSupport = true
        }

        feature SynchronizedWrapper {
            namePrefix = "Synchronized"
            nameSuffix = ""
        }
    }
}
```

Runner

```
protected void run() {
    statemachine.enter();
    RuntimeService.getInstance().registerStatemachine(statemachine, 100);
}
```

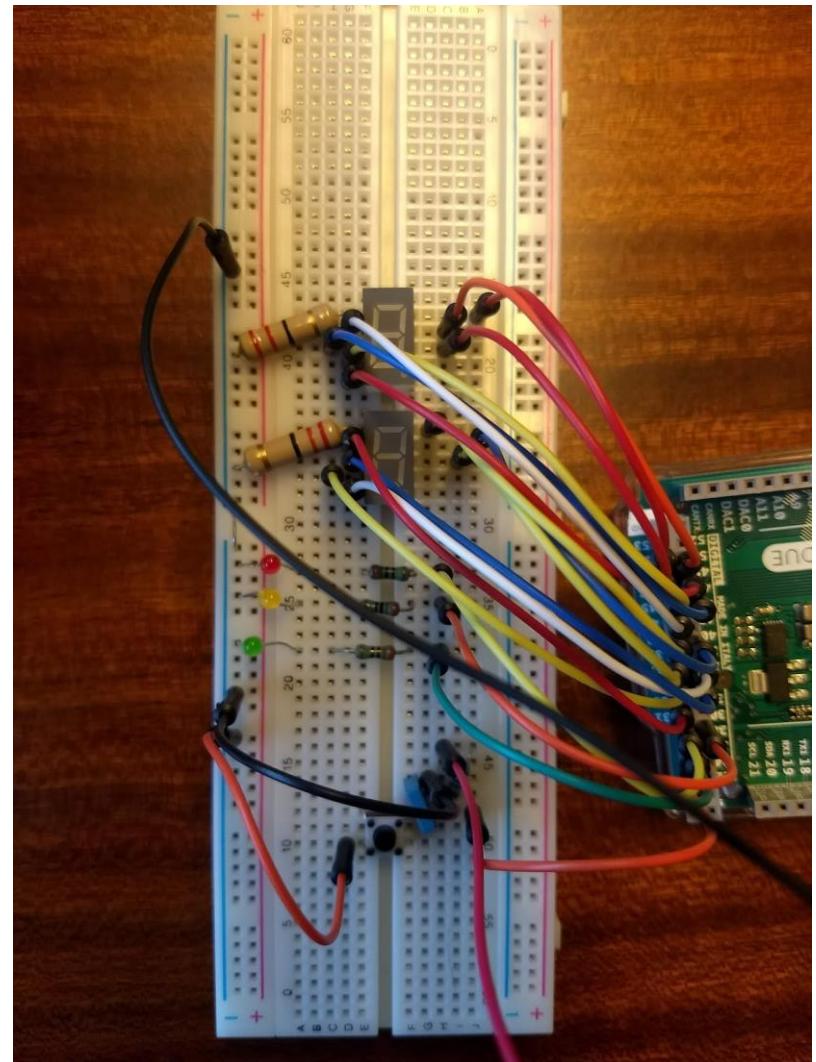
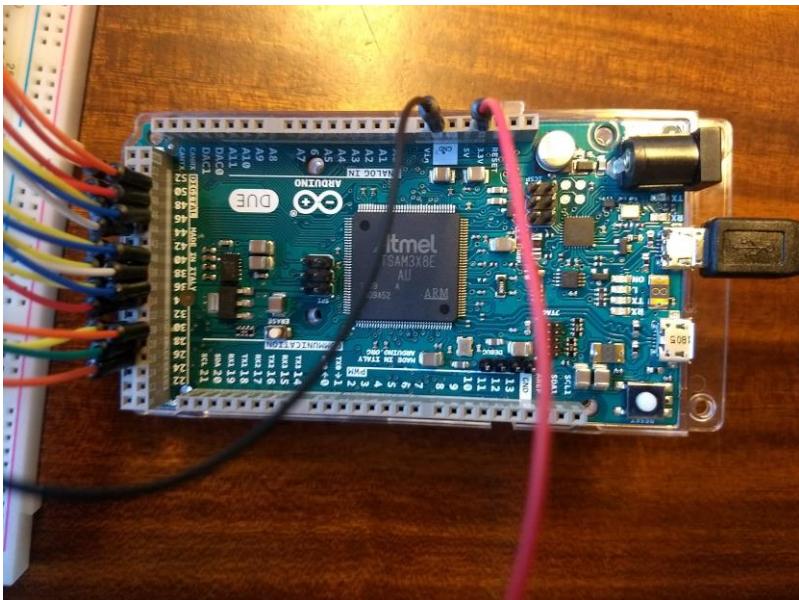
Deployed Application (Scaled Real-Time)



Deploying onto Hardware

Interface:

- `pinMode(pin_nr, mode)`
- `digitalWrite(pin_nr, {0, 1})`
- `digitalRead(pin_nr): {0, 1}`



Deploying onto Hardware

Runner

```
#define CYCLE_PERIOD (10)
static unsigned long cycle_count = 0L;
static unsigned long last_cycle_time = 0L;
```

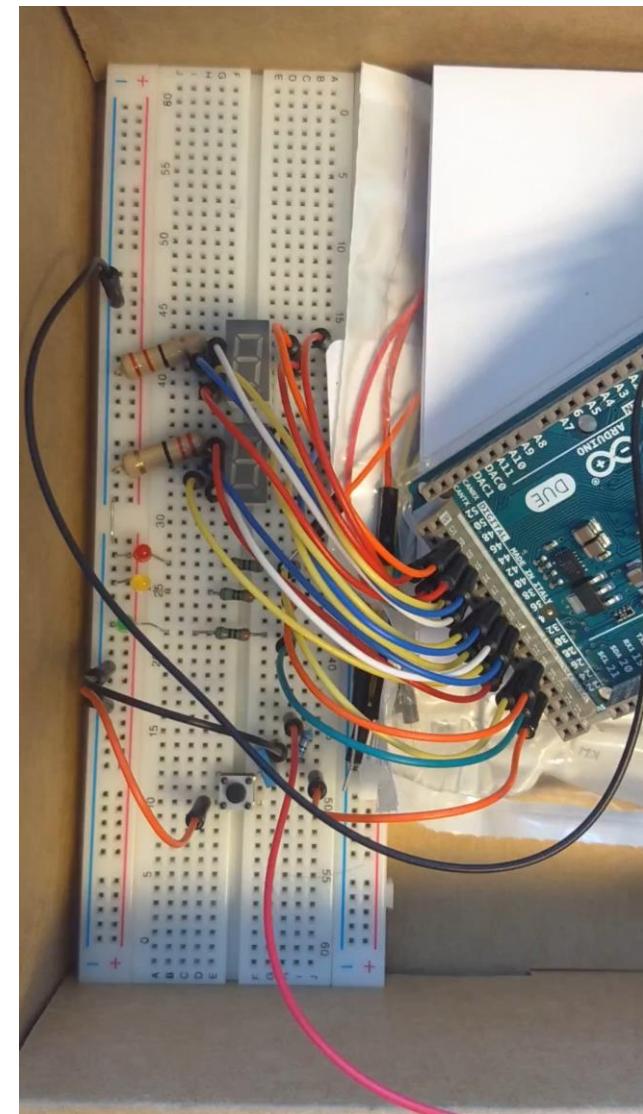
Generator

```
void loop() {
    unsigned long read_pushbutton;
    GeneratorModel for yakindu::c {
        if ( cycle_count > CYCLE_PERIOD ) {
            statechart TrafficLightCtrl {
                feature Outlet {
                    targetProject = "traffic_light_arduino"
                    targetFolder = "src-gen"
                    libraryTargetFolder = "src-gen"
                }
                feature FunctionInlining {
                    inlineReactions = true
                    inlineEntryActions = true
                    inlineExitActions = true
                    inlineEnterSequences = true
                    inlineExitSequences = true
                    inlineChoices = true
                    inlineEnterRegion = true
                    inlineExitRegion = true
                    inlineEntries = true
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Button Control

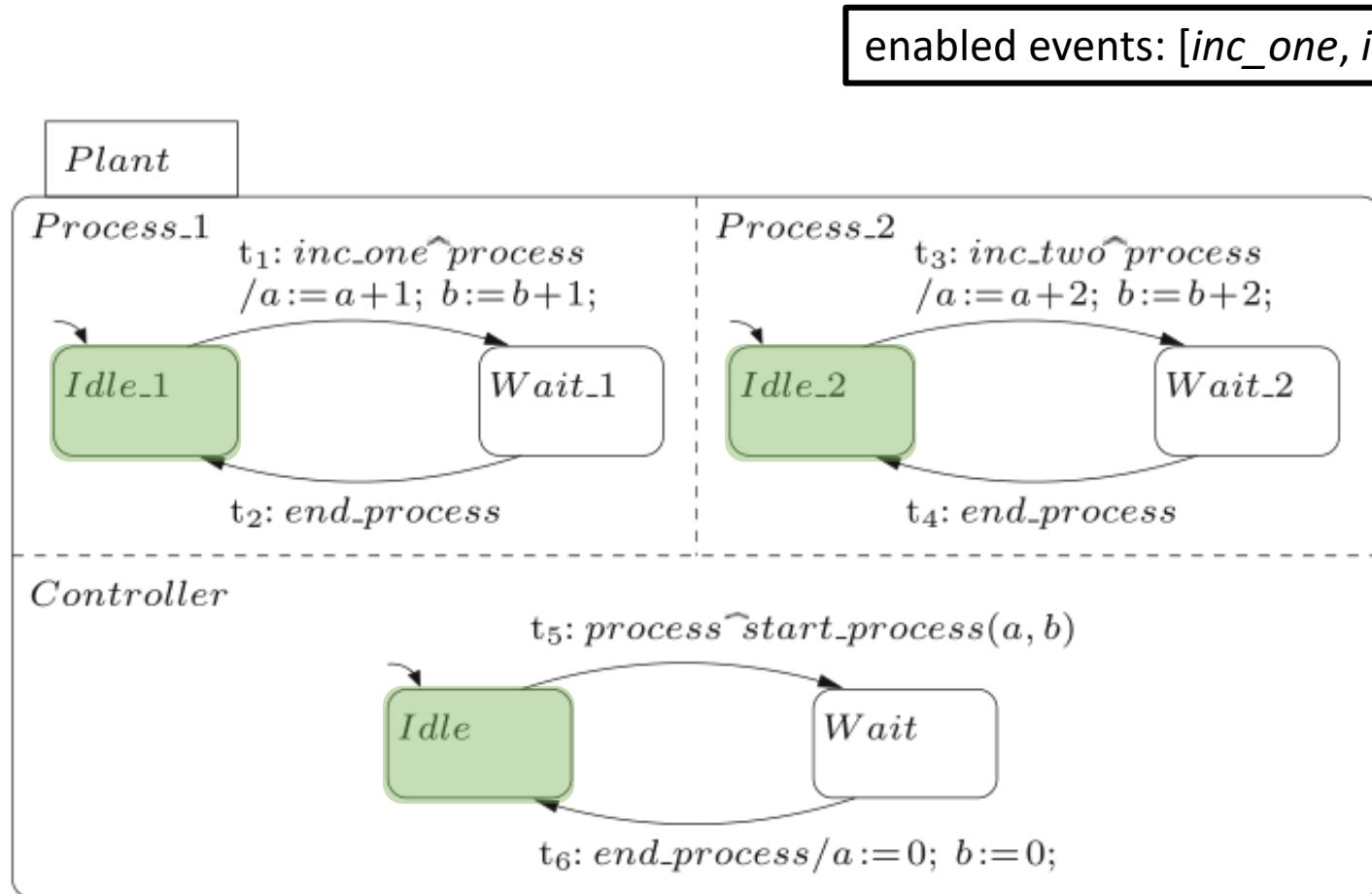
```
void read_pushbutton() {
    int pin_value;
    if (pin_value == 1) {
        button->last_debounce_time = millis();
    }
    if ((millis() - button->last_debounce_time) >= DEBOUNCE_TIME) {
        if (pin_value != button->debounce_state) {
            button->debounce_state = pin_value;
        }
    }
}
```

Deployed Application



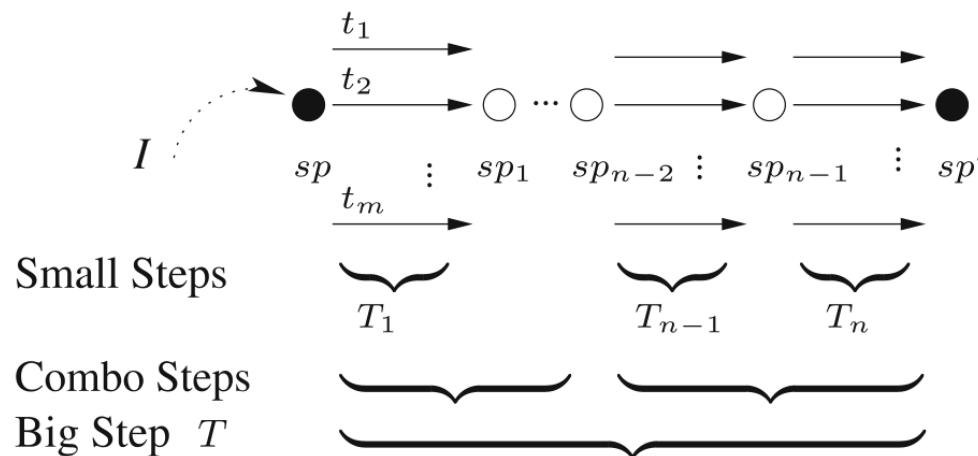
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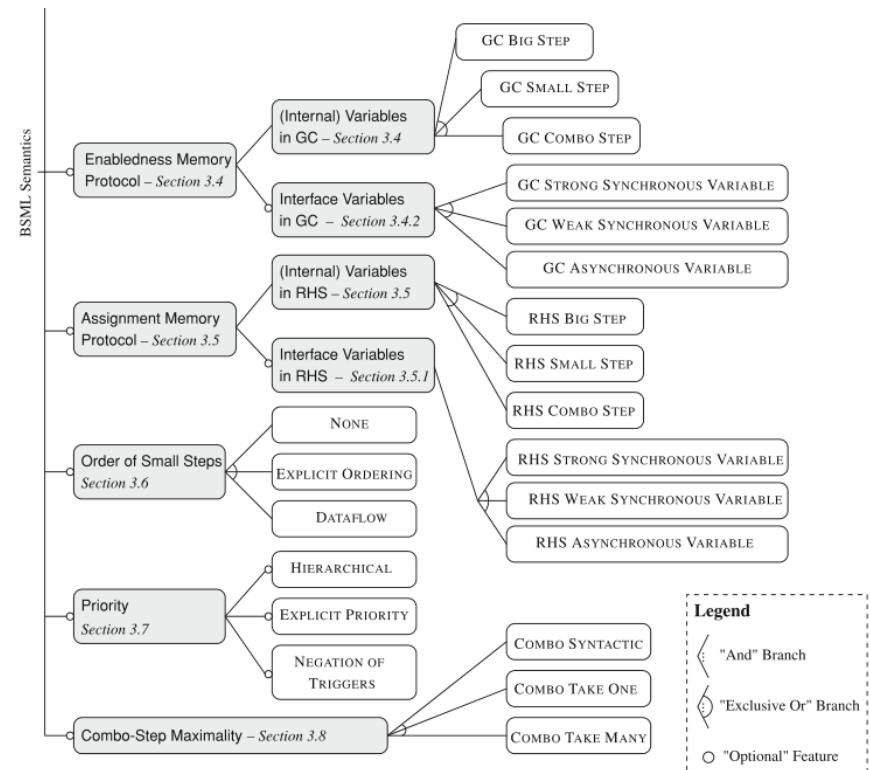
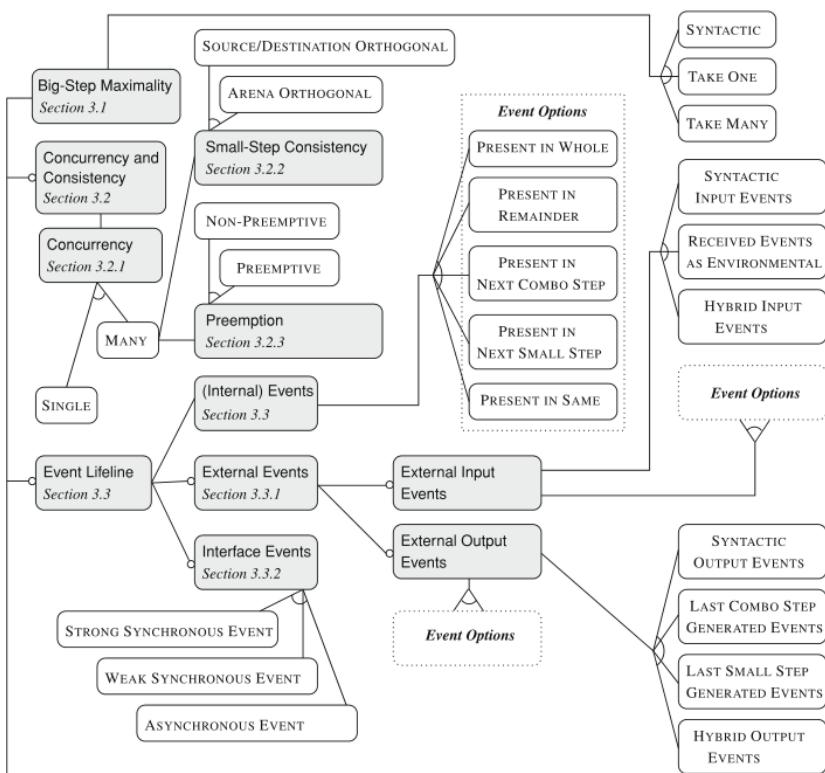


Big Step, Small Step

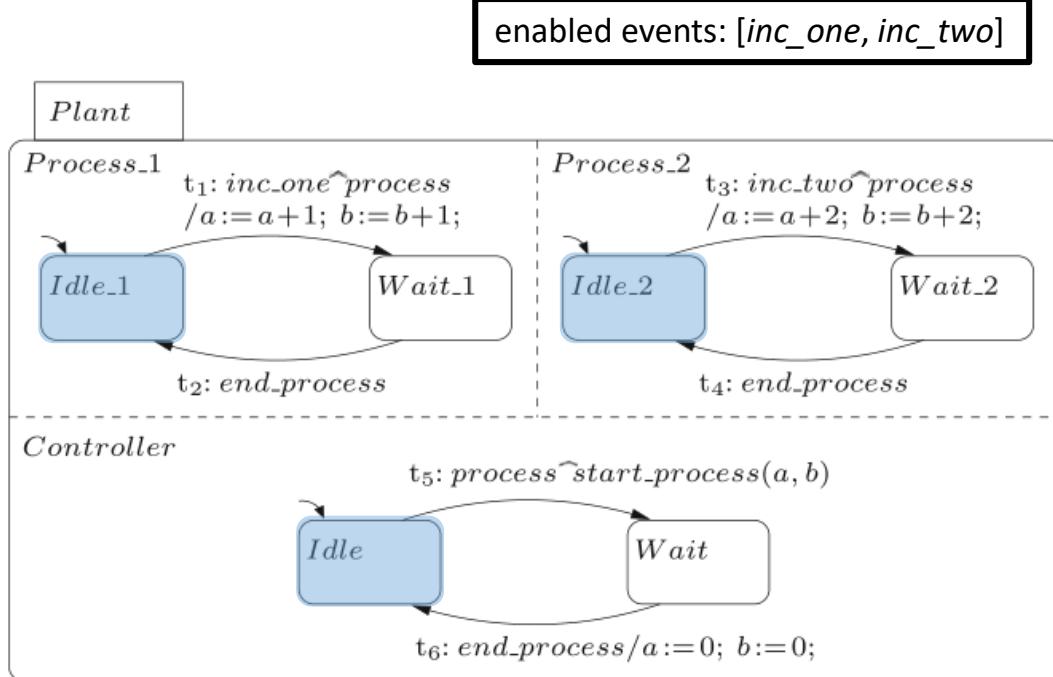
- A “big step” takes the system from one “quiescent state” to the next.
- A “small step” takes the system from one “snapshot” to the next (execution of a set of enabled transitions).
- A “combo step” groups multiple small steps.



Semantic Options



Revisiting the Example



concurrency: single

event lifeline: next combo step

assignment: RHS small step

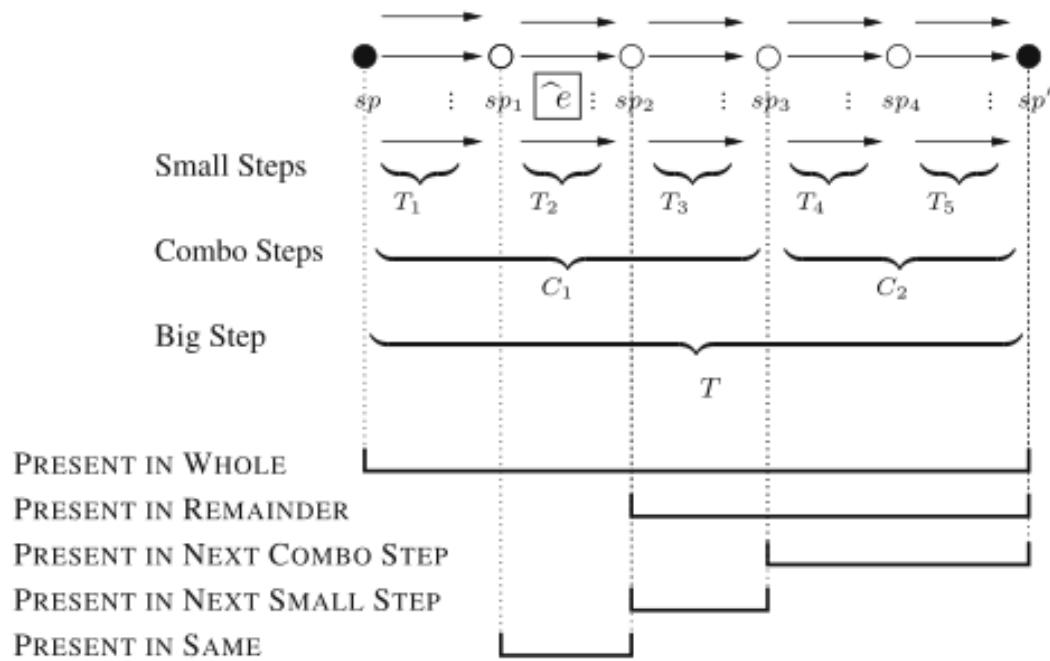
-> <{t1}, {t3}, {t5}> and

<{t3}, {t1}, {t5}>

event lifeline: present in remainder

-> <{t1}, {t5}, {t3}> becomes possible

Event Lifeline



Semantic Options: Examples

	Rhapsody	Statemate	(Default) SCCD
Big Step Maximality	Take Many	Take Many	Take Many
Internal Event Lifeline	Queue	Next Combo Step	Queue
Input Event Lifeline	First Combo Step	First Combo Step	First Combo Step
Priority	Source-Child	Source-Parent	Source-Parent
Concurrency	Single	Single	Single

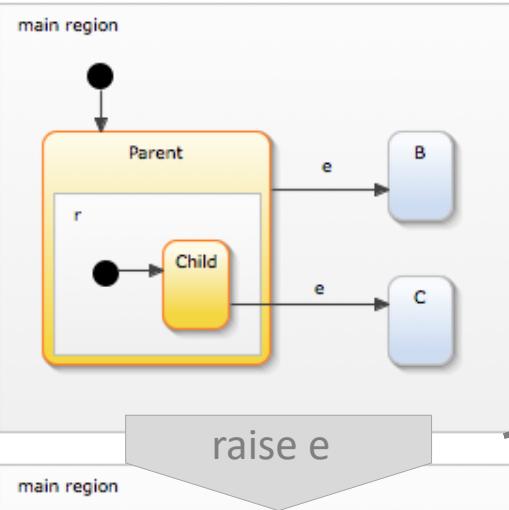


Child-first vs Parent-first Event-driven vs Cycle-based



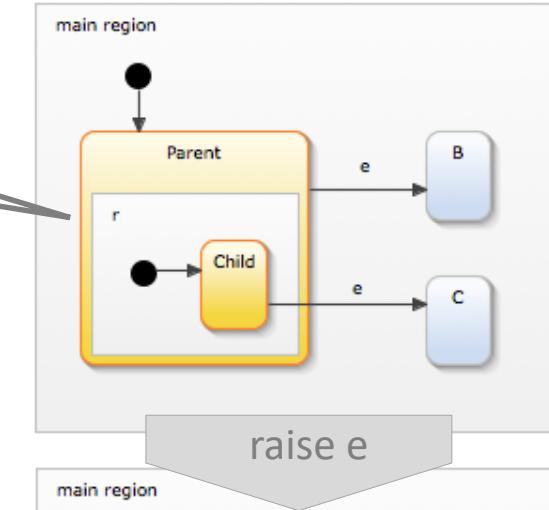
Composite States Execution

In which order are transitions evaluated in a HSM?



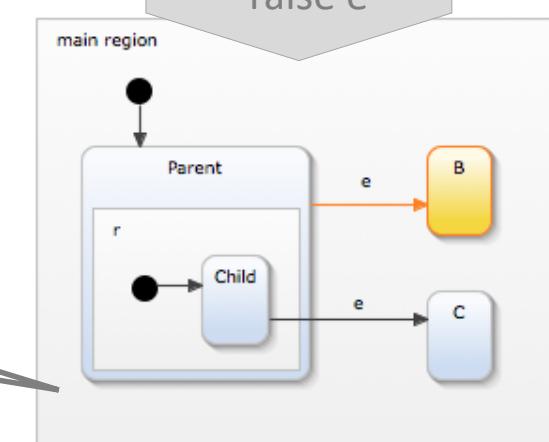
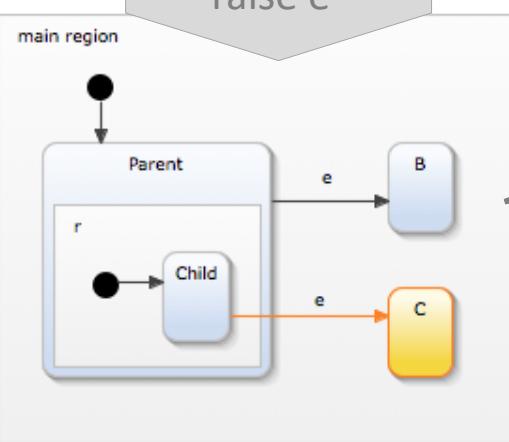
Parent-first execution tries to take transitions **top down**

Child-first execution tries to take transition **bottom up**



Child transitions **overwrite** parent behavior

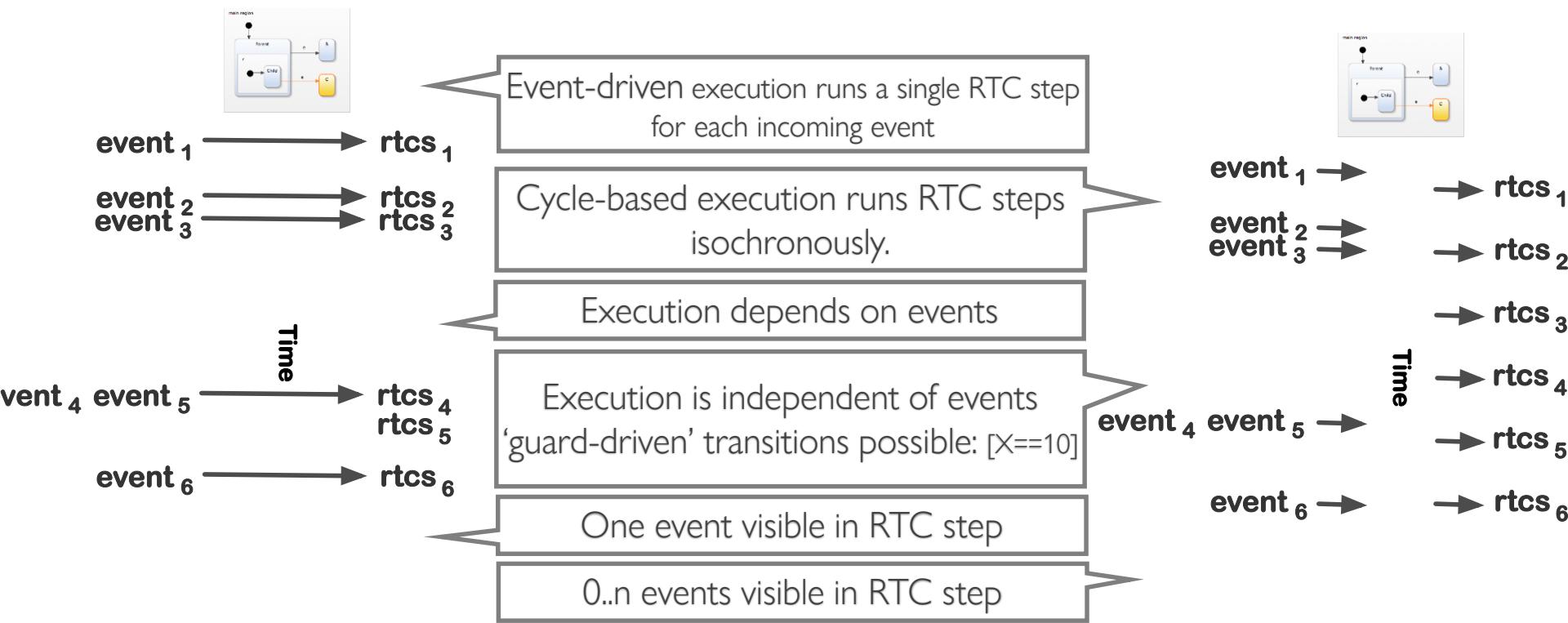
Parent transitions **shadow** child behavior





Event-driven vs. Cycle-based

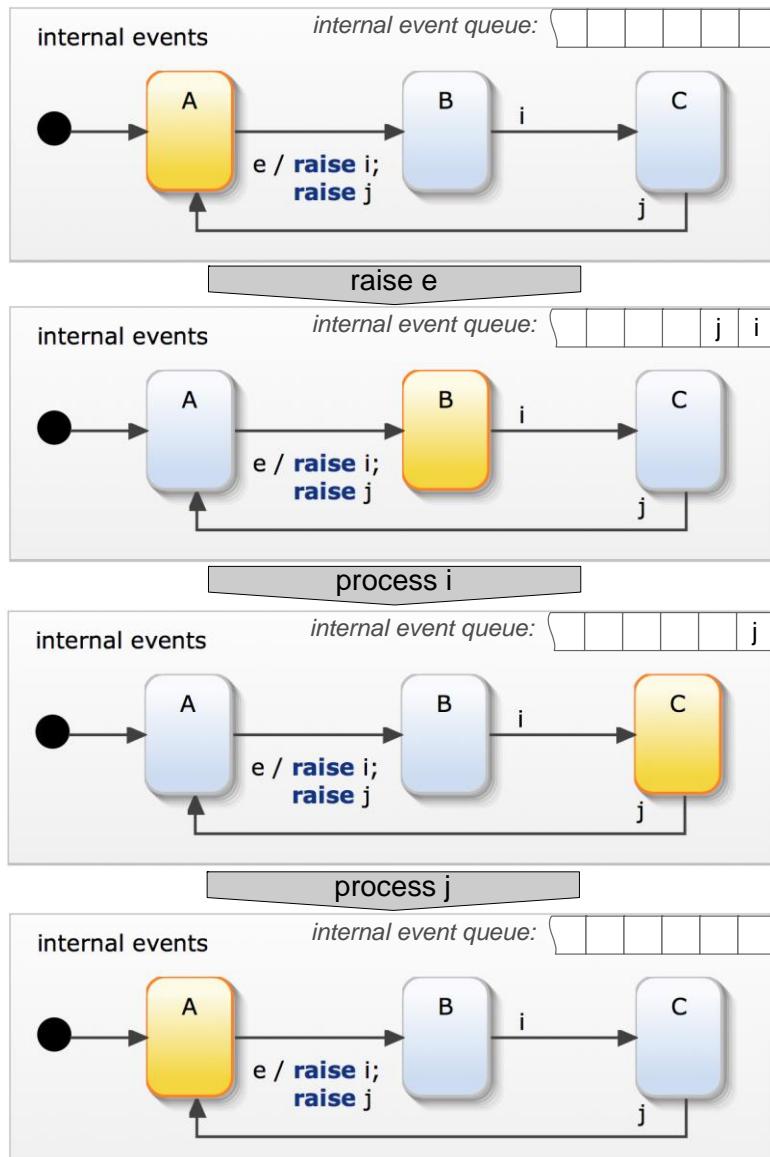
The behavior of state machines are executed in single
'run-to-completion' steps.





Event-driven: event queuing

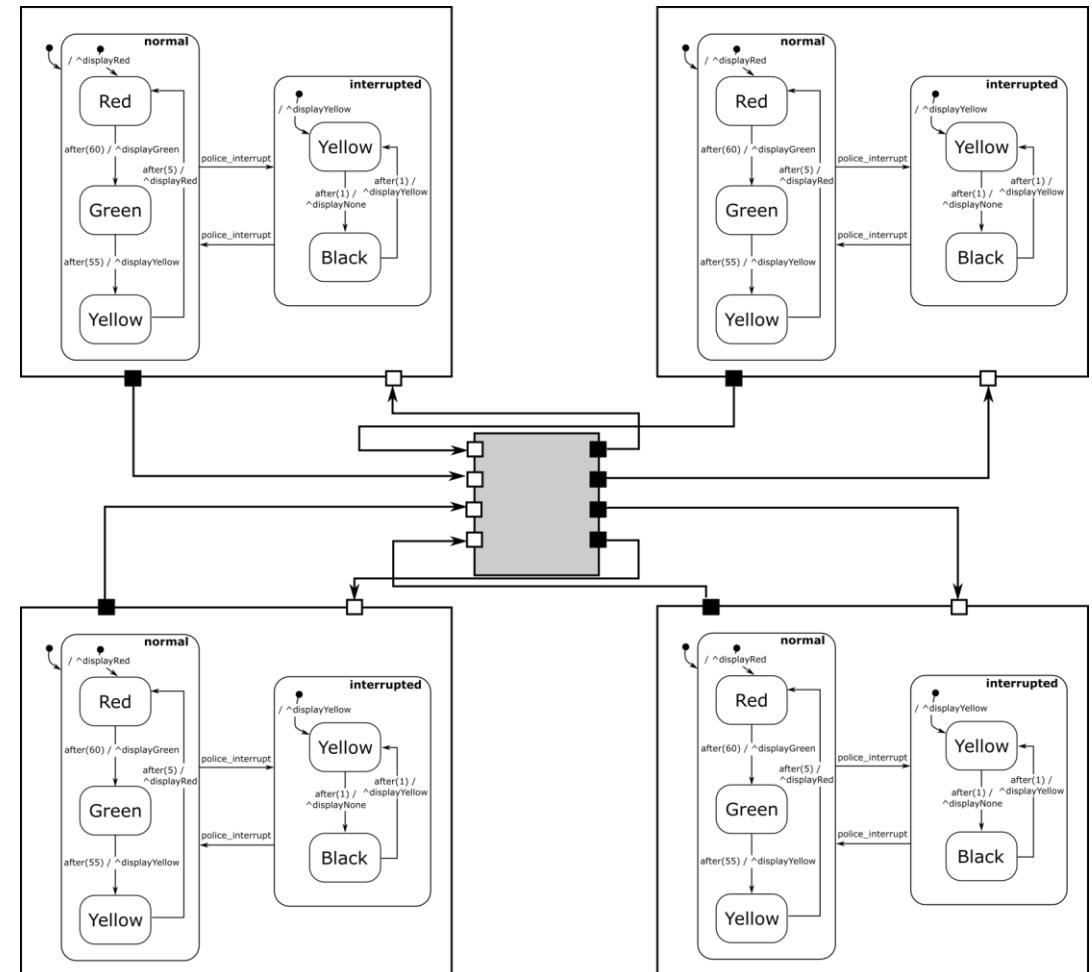
- multi-step RTC in event-driven execution
- all internal & in events raised within a RTC are processed
- each in event is processed by a single step which are composed to a RTC step
- makes use of event queues: in & internal
- internal event have higher priority than in events



Composition

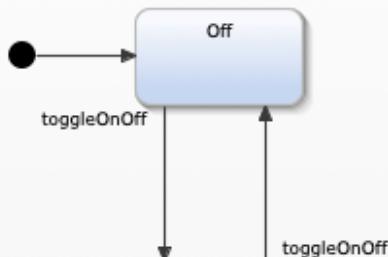
Composition of Statecharts

- Composition of multiple Statechart models
 - Instantiation
 - Communication
 - Semantics
- Often solved in code...



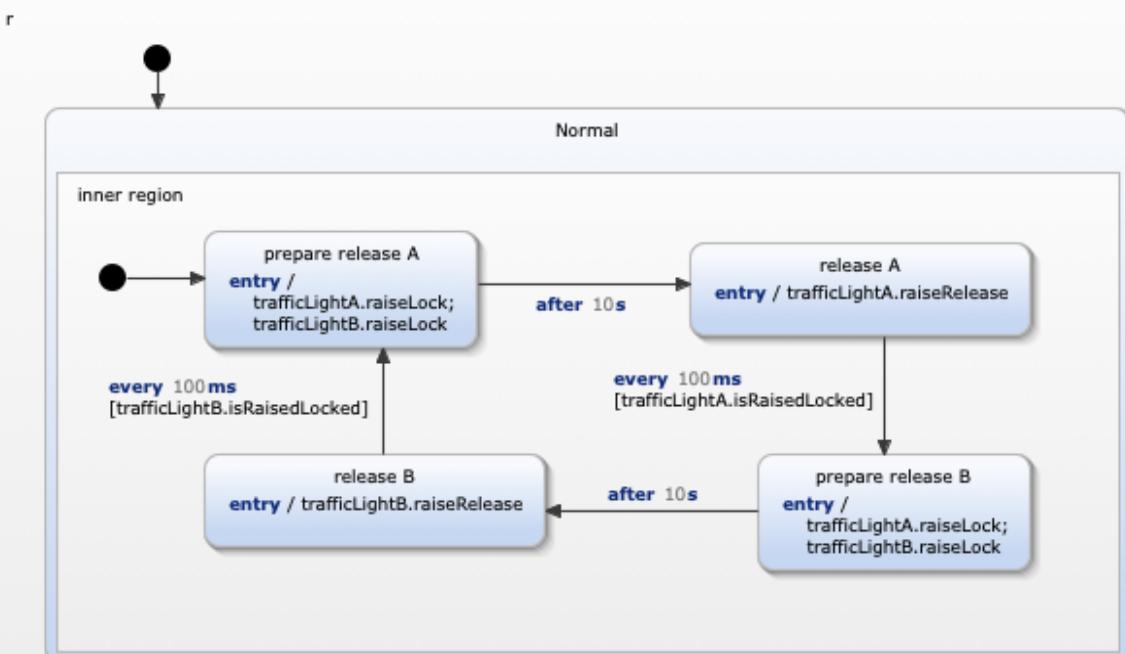
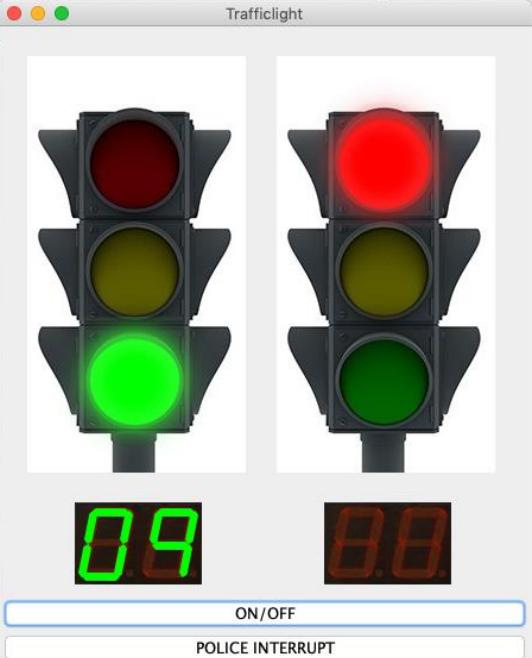
Composition Example

crossing control

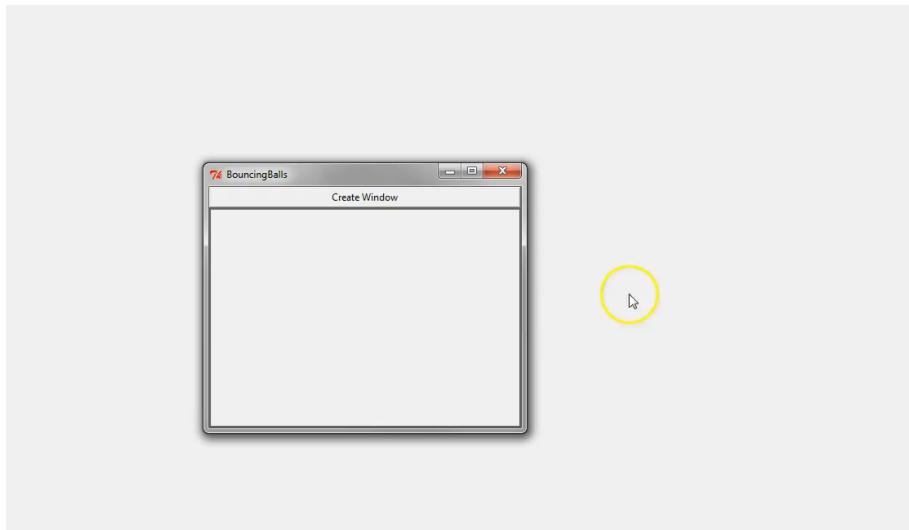


entry / trafficLightA.enter; trafficLightB.enter
exit / trafficLightA.^exit; trafficLightB.^exit

On



Dynamic Structure: SCCD



Design? Statecharts + ???

Coordination/Communication/Dynamic Structure often implemented in code...

Behavior

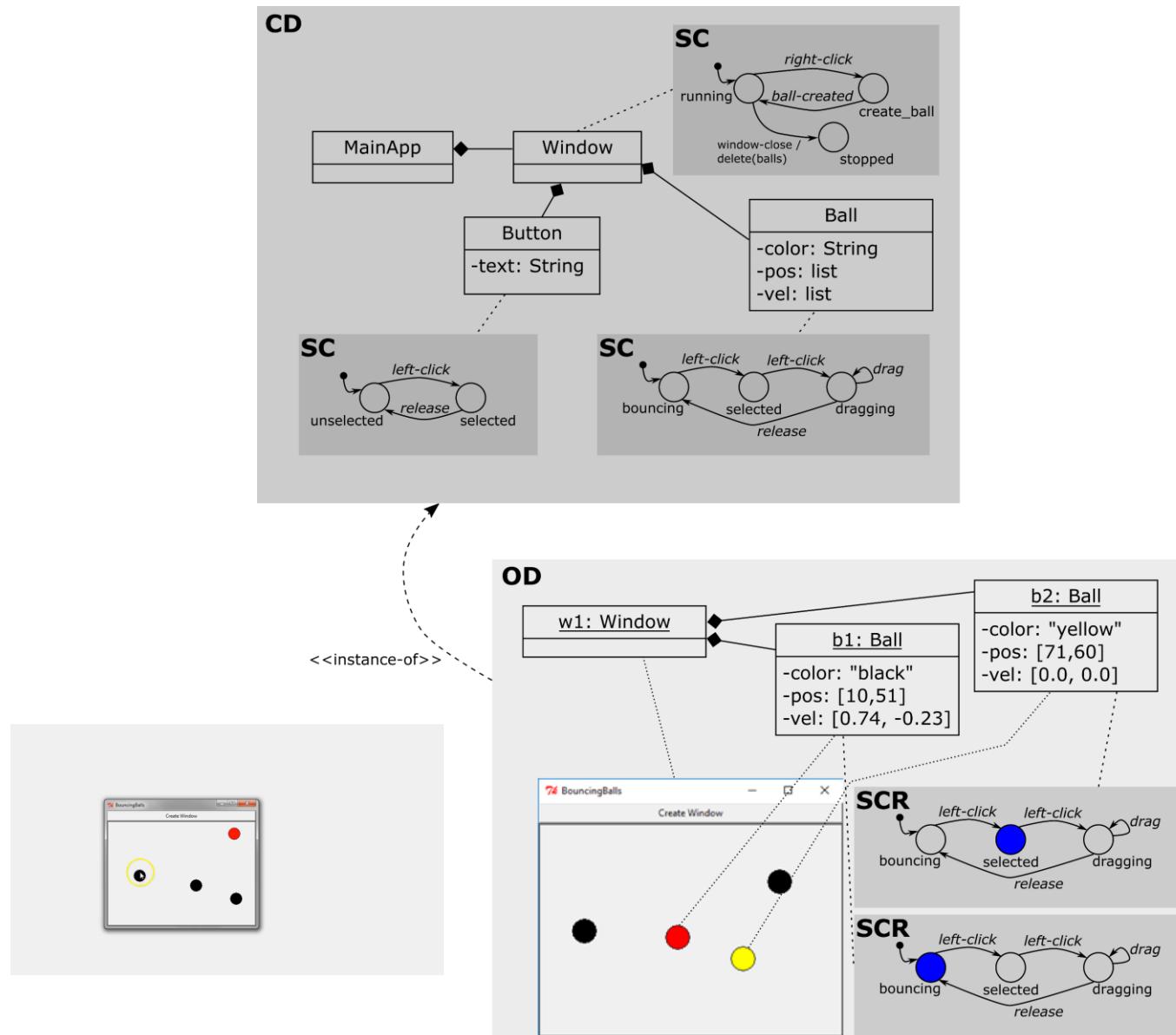
- Timed
- Autonomous
- Interactive
- Hierarchical

Structure

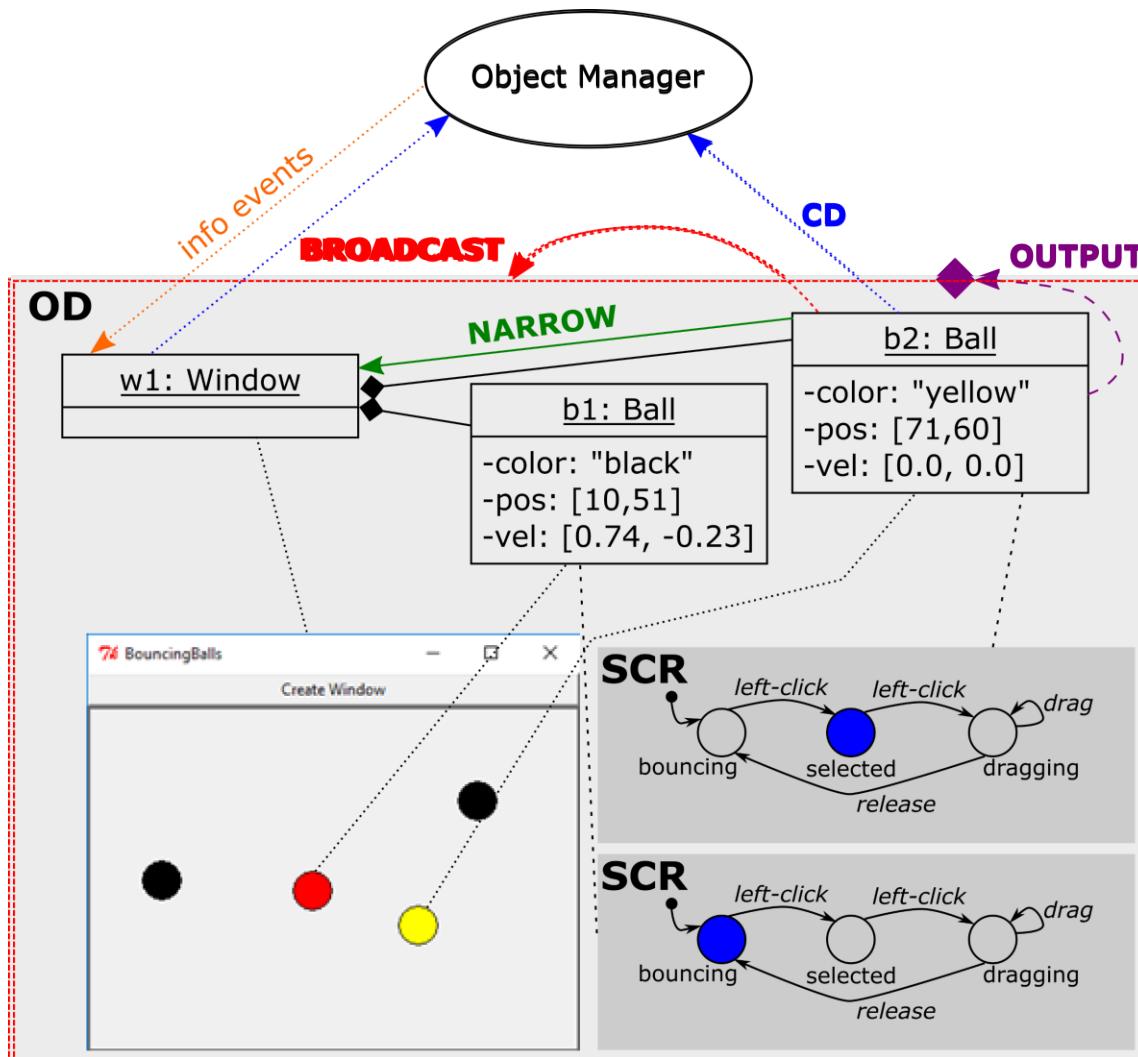
- Dynamic
- Hierarchical

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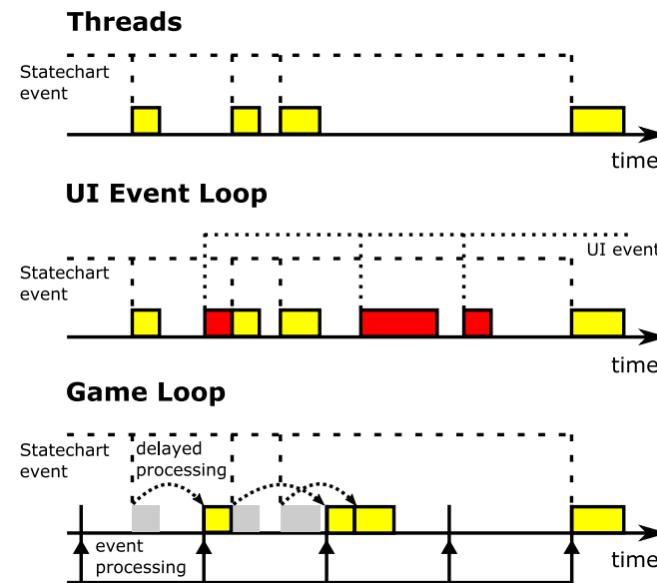
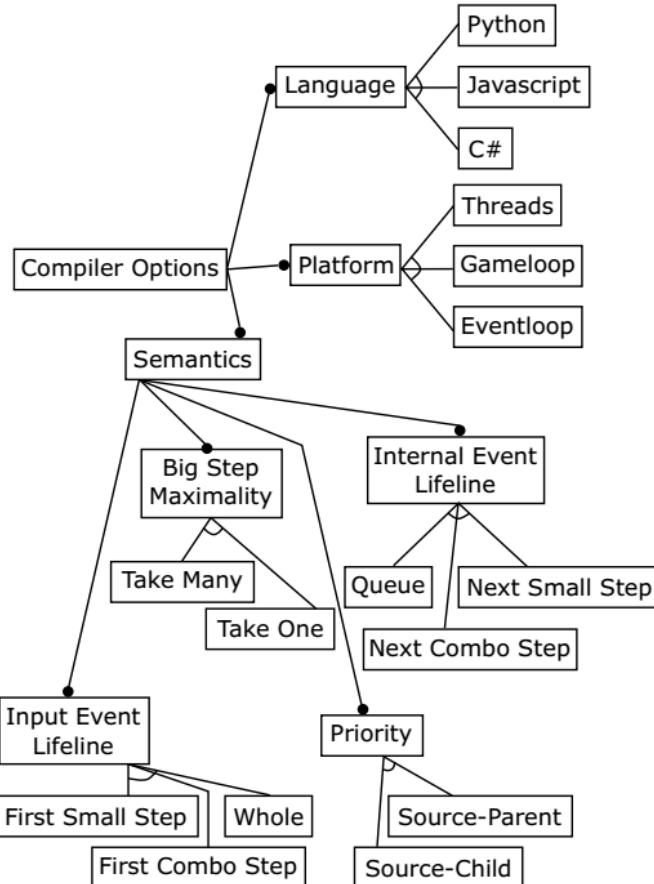
SCCD: Conformance



Communication: Event Scopes



SCCD Compiler



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SCCD Documentation

SCCD [SCCD] is a language that combines the Statecharts [Statecharts] language with Class Diagrams. It allows users to model complex, timed, autonomous, reactive, dynamic-structure systems.

The concrete syntax of SCCD is an XML-format loosely based on the W3C SCXML recommendation. A conforming model can be compiled to a number of programming languages, as well as a number of runtime platforms implemented in those languages. This maximizes the number of applications that can be modelled using SCCD, such as user interfaces, the artificial intelligence of game characters, controller software, and much more.

This documentation serves as an introduction to the SCCD language, its compiler, and the different supported runtime platforms.

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Recap

- Model the behaviour of complex, timed, reactive, autonomous systems
 - “What” instead of “How” (= implemented by Statecharts compiler)
- Abstractions:
 - States (composite, orthogonal)
 - Transitions
 - Timeouts
 - Events
- Tool support:
 - Yakindu
 - SCCD