

# EventB2Maude: Probabilistic Modeling and Statistical Model Checking for Event-B with Probabilistic Rewrite Theories and MultiVeStA

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# Abstract

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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

Nowdays, computer systems are present in people's everyday life. Airplanes, cars, factories, banks or even household appliances integrate these systems in order to function correctly. Considering the influence of computer systems in our society, it is important to construct them in a rigorous manner and verify their correctness, to avoid errors or bugs that can affect negatively people's life. One way of accomplishing this goal is by using formal methods, which use mathematical models for the analysis and verification of software or hardware [1]. Formal methods provide a general structure for defining real world systems as abstract models with mathematical rigor, that can be proven to be correct and implemented as specific pieces of software or hardware.

One of the formal methods used in the software industry is Event-B. It derives from the B method [2], it is semantically based on labeled transition systems (LTS) [3] and it is used for specifying discrete distributed systems [4]. This method, in conjunction with the Rodin platform [5], provide a framework for specifying Event-B models and proving mathematical properties over them. Some examples of the uses of Event-B in the design and verification of real world systems include the safety analysis on the CBTC system Octys of the Paris metro lines [6] and the formal development of the software for the BepiColombo space mission [7].

In order to cope with new system behaviors not considered in the original Event-B methodology, it has been extended throughout its history with new features that increase its ability to model new systems. For example, Hybrid Event-B incorporates continuous behaviors to the discrete structure of Event-B, which facilitates the construction of cyber physical systems [8].

Another example is probabilistic Event-B [9], which aims to introduce probabilistic behavior to Event-B models. The main motivation for this extension is that as systems grow in complexity, there is an increasing demand for probabilistic modeling features inside Event-B, where properties like reliability and responsiveness need to be taken into account in the formal verification of these systems [10]. Therefore, several attempts have

been made to move from standard Event-B to probabilistic Event-B. For instance, there is a fully probabilistic extension of Event-B that replaces all non-deterministic choices with probabilistic ones [10]. Other extensions try to introduce probabilistic choices by using qualitative probabilistic assignments [11] or quantitative probabilistic choice [12], instead of the non-deterministic assignments used in regular Event-B.

Furthermore, Event-B is not the only specification language where probabilistic extensions have been proposed: Maude [13] is a modeling language used to define formal models of distributed systems, based on rewriting logic [14]. A probabilistic extension of Maude, named PMaude [15], permits probabilistic modeling of concurrent systems. Paired with this extension and the query language known as QuaTEx [15], statistical model checking tools like PVeStA [16] allow to verify properties expressed as quantitative temporal logics for PMaude specifications.

Considering the need for specification and verification of probabilistic systems, the available probabilistic extensions of Event-B, and the availability of a framework for probabilistic system specification and verification provided by PMaude and PVeStA, the authors in [17] present a rewriting logic semantics for a probabilistic extension of Event-B. The previously mentioned paper, provides an automated process for translating an Event-B specification into a probabilistic rewrite theory  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{M}}$ , where Monte Carlo simulations can be run using the PVeStA tool, to verify properties over the model written as QuaTEx queries. The translation process is also implemented as a tool named EventB2Maude [18], which takes as input Event-B models and turns them into PMaude models that are executable using PVeStA.

Even though PVeStA can be used over the generated models by the EventB2Maude tool to do statistical model checking, the lack of documentation about PVeStA, makes the task of representing and proving complicated system properties of PMaude models harder. For this reason, other tools like MultiVeStA [19], which is an extension of PVeStA, can be considered. MultiVeStA is also a statistical model checking tool, that allows to represent with great ease properties in the MultiQuaTEx query language [19] (an extension of the QuaTEx language), with the advantage of having more documentation.

Therefore, the present work has 2 motivations. The first one, is facilitating the model checking task, using the EventB2Maude tool, by extending it so the generated PMaude models can be verified using MultiVeStA. The second one, is to complement the available documentation of MultiVeStA, with a simple guide that specifies the required steps to adapt probabilistic rewrite theories specified in Maude, to work with MultiVeStA. It is expected that this work contributes to future projects that aim to do statistical model checking of PMaude specifications with MultiVeStA, or other projects that include the EventB2Maude tool.

# Chapter 2

## Preliminaries

The main purpose of this chapter is to present the needed theoretical and technical background to understand how the encoding from probabilistic Event-B models to probabilistic rewrite theories, presented in [17], works. Moreover, it will also allow to understand the proposed adaptations to the tool in [18], to perform simulations with MultiVeStA over the encoded Event-B models. Therefore, a short but sufficient definition of various concepts and tools, will be given. To guide the reader through the different sections of this chapter and facilitate its reading, the following section dependency is given:

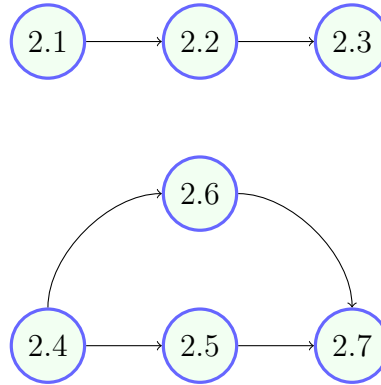


Figure 2.1: Section dependencies

### 2.1 Event-B

Event-B [4, 20] is a formal method for specifying and verifying properties about systems based on set theory and predicate logic. Specifications in Event-B are referred to as models, and they are semantically modeled by a discrete labeled transition system or LTS [3]. The main components of an Event-B model are machines and contexts: machines contain the dynamic elements of the model, while contexts contain the static ones. Specifically,

```

< context_identifier >
extends
  < context_identifier_list >
sets
  < set_identifier_list >
constants
  < constant_identifier_list >
axioms
  < label >: < predicate >
  ...
theorems
  < label >: < predicate >
  ...
end

```

Figure 2.2: Context structure, taken from [4]

machines contain the system variables, invariants, theorems, variant and events. On the other hand, contexts contain carrier sets, constants, axioms and theorems. Both machines and contexts have different interactions between them. A machine can “**see**” one or several contexts, meaning that the machine includes the static elements specified in these contexts. Furthermore, machines can “**refine**” other machines, which means that if a machine  $M_2$  refines a machine  $M_1$ , then  $M_2$  can use all the dynamic elements specified in  $M_1$  and also create new ones that respect the properties defined in  $M_1$  (for example properties defined as invariants). This relation also occurs in the same way between contexts, when one context “**extends**” another one. In terms of syntax, the general structure for contexts is depicted in Figure 2.2. The definition for each one of the elements of the syntax is:

- *context\_identifier* is a string that identifies the context. The context identifier must be different to all the other identifiers of the components of the system (other machines or contexts).
- The “**extends**” clause lists all the contexts identifiers that the current context is extending.
- The “**sets**” clause takes a list of set identifiers. Each one of these set identifiers correspond to the name of one of the carrier sets of the model. A carrier set is a user defined set or type, that must be non-empty. The set of set identifiers of a model is defined as  $\bar{s} = \{s_1 \dots s_n\}$ .
- The “**constants**” clause lists all the constants of the model. The set of constants identifiers is defined as  $\bar{c} = \{c_1 \dots c_n\}$ .
- The “**axioms**” clause introduces the list of axioms that the model must satisfy. The Axioms are a conjunction of predicates over sets  $\bar{s}$  and constants  $\bar{c}$  defined as  $A(\bar{s}, \bar{c})$ . These logic predicates state the properties that the constants and sets must meet.
- The “**theorems**” clause lists some logic predicates, that must be proved within the context using the axioms. These are logic predicates defined as  $T_i(\bar{s}, \bar{c})$ .

The general structure of the machine is specified in Figure 2.3. Each one of its components correspond to:



```

< machine_identifier >
refines
  < machine_identifier >
sees
  < context_identifier_list >
variables
  < variable_identifier_list >
invariants
  < label >: < predicate >
  ...
theorems
  < label >: < predicate >
  ...
variant
  < variant >
events
  < event_list >
end

```

Figure 2.3: Machine structure, taken from [4]

- *machine\_identifier* is a string that identifies the machine. It must be different from all the other components identifiers.
- The “**refines**” clause contains the identifier of the machine that this machine refines.
- Clause “**sees**” lists the context that the machine is referencing. When a machine “sees” a context, it means that it can use the sets and constants defined in the context.
- The clause “**variables**” lists all the variables of the system. The set of variable identifiers is defined as  $\bar{v} = \{v_1 \dots v_n\}$ .
- The “**invariants**” clause lists all the invariants that the model must satisfy. Invariants are represented as a conjunction of logic predicates over variables  $\bar{v}$ , defined as  $I(\bar{v})$ . These invariants define the properties that the variables must hold in every configuration or state of the system.
- The “**theorems**” clause lists all the theorems. Each theorem is a logic predicates that must be proven using the axioms of the context and the invariants of the machine. They have the form  $T_i(\bar{v})$ .
- The “**variant**” clause is used when machines have *convergent events*. It specifies an expression  $V(\bar{v})$  over the variables used for proving convergence of the model.
- The “**events**” clause lists the events of the model. Each event represents a system transition, that changes the current system state to another.

Events are very important components of an Event-B model and they have the following structure:

**event** *e* **any**  $\bar{t}$  **where**  $G(\bar{t}, \bar{v})$  **then**  $S(\bar{t}, \bar{v})$  **end**

- *e* is the *event\_identifier*, which is a string that identifies the event.
- The “**any**” clause lists the parameters of the event. The set of parameters of an event is represented by  $\bar{t} = \{t_1, \dots, t_n\}$ .

- The “**where**” clause contains the guards of the event. Guards are represented as a conjunction of logic predicates  $G(\bar{t}, \bar{v})$  over the parameters of the event and variables of the system. These guards specify the conditions that must hold for the event to be enabled.
- The “**then**” clause contains the list of actions of the event. Actions define variable assignments that change the variable values (and thus the state of the system) when the event is executed. These actions are represented as a set of assignments  $S(\bar{t}, \bar{v})$ .

Event assignments can be categorized in three types:

- Deterministic assignment  $x := E(\bar{t}, \bar{v})$  states that if the event is executed, then the value of variable  $x$  in the next model state will be  $E(\bar{t}, \bar{v})$ , where  $E$  is an expression over the parameters of the event and the variables of the system.
- Non-deterministic assignment  $x \in \{E_1(\bar{t}, \bar{v}) \dots E_n(\bar{t}, \bar{v})\}$  called enumerated assignment. In this case, one of the expressions  $E_i$  of the set is assigned non-deterministically to variable  $x$ , when the event is executed.
- Non-deterministic assignment  $x : | Q(\bar{t}, \bar{v}, x, x')$  denoted as predicate assignment. It assigns to variable  $x$  the value  $x'$ , s.t.  $x'$  satisfies the predicate  $Q(\bar{t}, \bar{v}, x, x')$ .

The set of events of a model is called as *Evts*. This set includes the *INITIALISATION* event or *Init*, which assigns the initial value to all the variables of the machine and creates the initial state of the model. The initial state must be deterministic in all Event-B specifications. A whole Event-B model can be represented as a context  $\mathcal{C} = (\bar{s}, \bar{c}, A(\bar{s}, \bar{c}))$  and a machine  $\mathcal{M} = (\bar{v}, I(\bar{v}), V(\bar{v}), Evts, Init)$ . To clarify this notation, an example of an Event-B model of a brake system, presented in [10], will be used.

**Example 2.1.1** A brake system (derived from the example presented in [10]) consists of two parts: a pedal and a brake. The pedal can be up or down, and the brake can be applied or released. When the pedal is up, the brake is released. When the pedal is down, the brake is then applied. The resulting Event-B specification for such model is represented in Figure 2.4 and 2.5.

```

context ctx
sets
  pedalState brakeState
constants
  up down applied released
axioms
  @axm1 pedalState = {up, down}
  @axm2 brakeState = {applied, released}
end

```

Figure 2.4: Context of the brake example

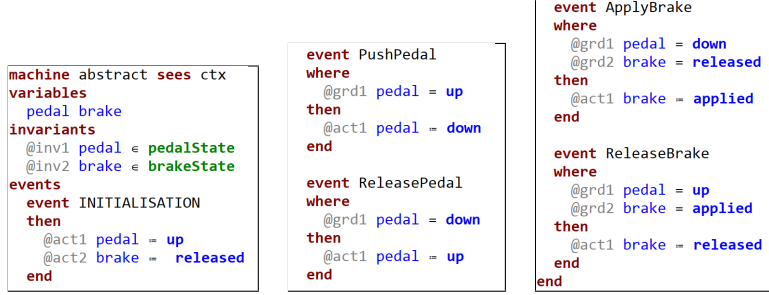


Figure 2.5: Machine of the brake example

The context identifier for this model is  $ctxBrakeSystem$ , the set of set identifiers is  $\bar{s} = \{pedalState, brakeState\}$  and the set of constants is  $\bar{c} = \{up, down, applied, released\}$ . The  $pedalState$  carrier set contains the possible states of the pedal ( $up$  or  $down$ ) and the  $brakeState$  carrier set contains the possible states of the brake ( $applied$  or  $released$ ). Both of these sets, are defined using the axioms  $axm1$  and  $axm2$ . Therefore, the axioms of the brake model are defined by  $A(\bar{s}, \bar{c}) = axm1 \wedge axm2$ . In particular, this context doesn't extend other components or uses theorems.

For the model's machine, the machine identifier is  $abstractBrakeSystem$  and it “sees” the sets, constants and axioms in  $ctxBrakeSystem$ . The set of variables in the brake model is defined as  $\bar{v} = \{pedal, brake\}$ . The  $pedal$  variable represents the pedal's state and the  $brake$  variable represents the brake's state. Invariants  $inv1$  and  $inv2$  define the domain for variables  $pedal$  and  $brake$  respectively, by assigning to each one of them their respective carrier set. The resulting invariant for the brake model is  $I(\bar{v}) = inv1 \wedge inv2$ . Each one of the events in the model represent a state transition and a system action:

- The *INITIALISATION* determines the initial state of the system. In this case, the action  $S(\bar{t}, \bar{v})$  of the *INITIALISATION* event is defined by the two assignments  $pedal := up$  and  $brake := released$ .
- The *PushPedal* event represents the action of pushing the pedal. The guard of the event  $G(\bar{t}, \bar{v}) = grd1$  states that the pedal must be *up*, to execute the action  $S(\bar{t}, \bar{v}) = act1$ . This action assigns the value *down* to the *pedal* variable. Conversely, the *ReleasePedal* event verifies that the *pedal* variable is *down*, and changes its value to *up* when executed.
- The *ApplyBrake* event represents the action of applying the brake. The guard of the event  $G(\bar{t}, \bar{v}) = grd1 \wedge grd2$  states that the pedal must be *down* and the brake *released*, to execute the action  $S(\bar{t}, \bar{v}) = act1$ . This action assigns the value *applied* to the *brake* variable. On the other hand, the *ReleaseBrake* check for the opposite conditions (*pedal = up* and *brake = applied*) and changes the value of the *brake* variable to *released*.

## 2.2 Non-deterministic choices in Event-B

When an Event-B model is simulated or verified, there exists the possibility of having multiple enabled transitions with also many possible parameter valuations that satisfy the guards of the event. The way Event-B resolves this multiple choice dilemma is with *non-deterministic choice* and there are three types of it:

- **Choice of enabled events:** When multiple events are enabled for execution, i.e. when multiple events satisfy their event guards, one of them is chosen non-deterministically.
- **Choice of parameter values:** In an event with parameters, it is possible to have multiple valuations for parameters  $\bar{t}$  such that the guard of the event  $G_i(\bar{t}, \bar{v})$  is satisfied. Therefore, the parameter that will be used in the execution of the event is chosen non-deterministically
- **Non-Deterministic assignments:** As mentioned before, there are 3 types of event assignments: deterministic assignment, predicate assignment and enumerated assignment. Both predicate and enumerated assignments, are non-deterministic for the following reason:
  - Predicate assignment  $x : | Q(\bar{t}, \bar{v}, x, x')$ : states that the variable  $x$  takes the value  $x'$ , that satisfies the predicate  $Q(\bar{t}, \bar{v}, x, x')$ . When there are multiple  $x'$  values that satisfy the predicate, then the new value of  $x$  is chosen non-deterministically.
  - Enumerated assignment  $x : \in \{E_1(\bar{t}, \bar{v}) \dots E_n(\bar{t}, \bar{v})\}$ : states that the variable  $x$  takes the value of one of the multiple expressions  $E_i(\bar{t}, \bar{v})$  in the set. The selection of which expression will be assigned, is done non-deterministically.

## 2.3 Probabilistic Event-B

Based on the three different forms of non-determinism explained above, probabilistic Event-B [10] introduces probabilistic choices to replace non-deterministic ones in the following way:

- **Probabilistic choice of enabled events:** To solve the non-determinism, an expression  $W_i(\bar{v})$  over the variables represents the *weight* of a specific event  $e_i$ . Therefore, when multiple events are enabled, the probability of choosing one of them will be the ratio of its weight over the sum of all the weights of enabled events. This means that if there are  $n$  enabled events, then the probability of choosing event  $e_i$  is  $P(e_i) = \frac{W(e_i)}{\sum_{j=1}^n W(e_j)}$
- **Probabilistic choice of parameter values:** In order to choose a parameter value probabilistically, a discrete uniform distribution can be used as a default choice to

assign probabilities to the parameters. For that reason, the probability of choosing a parameter valuation is  $P(t_i) = \frac{1}{n}$  where  $n$  is the number of parameter valuations that satisfy the guard of the event.

- **Predicate probabilistic assignment:** A predicate probabilistic assignment written as  $x : \oplus Q(\bar{t}, \bar{v}, x, x')$  chooses the new value of  $x$  with a uniform distribution. Hence, the probability of choosing a variable value  $x'_i$  is  $P(x'_i) = \frac{1}{n}$  where  $n$  is the number of variable valuations that satisfy the predicate  $Q(\bar{t}, \bar{v}, x, x')$ . This probabilistic assignment replaces the non-deterministic predicate assignment.
- **Enumerated probabilistic assignment:** A enumerated probabilistic assignment written as  $x := E_1(\bar{t}, \bar{v})@_{p_1} \oplus \dots \oplus E_n(\bar{t}, \bar{v})@_{p_n}$  assigns a specific probability  $p_i$  to each expression  $E_i$ , where  $0 < p_i \leq 1$  and  $p_1 + \dots + p_n = 1$ . This probabilistic assignment replaces the non-deterministic enumerated assignment.

Based on this changes, the new structure for probabilistic events can be defined as:

$$e \triangleq \text{weight } W(\bar{v}) \text{ any } \bar{t} \text{ where } G(\bar{t}, \bar{v}) \text{ then } S(\bar{t}, \bar{v}) \text{ end}$$

Where  $W(\bar{v})$  is an expression over the variables that determines the weight of the event,  $\bar{t}$  is the set of parameters of the event,  $G(\bar{t}, \bar{v})$  the guard of the event and  $S(\bar{t}, \bar{v})$  is the *probabilistic action*. The probabilistic action contains only deterministic assignments, predicate probabilistic assignments and enumerated probabilistic assignments. The resulting Machine for a probabilistic model is then  $\mathcal{M} = (\bar{v}, I(\bar{v}), V(\bar{v}), PEvs, Init)$  where  $PEvs$  is a set of probabilistic events and  $Init$  is the initialization event ( $Init$  must be a deterministic event). To exemplify probabilistic Event-B, let's consider an extension of the previously explained brake model.

**Example 2.3.1** This new example, presented also in [10], adds new constraints:

- R1.** Pedal failure: when the driver tries to switch “down” the pedal, it may stay in the same position.
- R2.** Risk of pedal failure: the risk of pedal failure is set to 10%.
- R3.** Brake failure: the brake may not be applied, although the pedal has been switched down.
- R4.** Maximum brake wear: the brake cannot be applied more than a fixed number of times.
- R5.** Brake wear: due to brake wear, the risk of brake failure increases each time the brake is applied.

The resulting probabilistic model is depicted in Figure 2.6. This new model incorporates all of the previously defined constraints in the following way:

- Constraints **R1** and **R2** are modeled in the probabilistic event *PushPedal*, in which an enumerated probabilistic assignment is used to assign the value of variable *pedal*.

This assignment  $pedal := down @9/10 \oplus up @1/10$  states that when the event *PushPedal* is executed, the probability of changing its value to *down* is 90% and the probability of remaining with the value *up* is 10%.

- For **R4**, a new constant  $MAX\_WEAR$  s.t.  $MAX\_WEAR \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $MAX\_WEAR > 1$ , is introduced to the context of the model. This constant determines the maximum number of times the brake can be applied. In addition, the variable  $wear \in \mathbb{N}$  tracks the number of times the brake has been used. To make sure that the number of times the brake has been applied doesn't exceeds the maximum wear, i.e.  $wear < MAX\_WEAR$ , the weights of probabilistic events *ApplyBrake* and *ReleaseBrake* are modeled by the expression  $MAX\_WEAR - wear$ . Therefore, when  $MAX\_WEAR = wear$ , the weight of both events will be 0. This will make their probability of execution also 0, based on how probabilistic choice of enabled events is calculated.
- To model **R3**, a new event *ApplyBrakeFailure* is introduced. When executed, this event simulates a brake failure, by leaving the brake in state *released* when the pedal is *down*.
- Finally, the constraint **R5** is defined by the weights of event *ApplyBrake* and *ApplyBrakeFailure*. As mentioned before, the weight of event *ApplyBrake* is modeled with the expression  $MAX\_WEAR - wear$ , and the expression for the weight of event *ApplyBrakeFailure* is  $wear$ . Thus, when the value of variable  $wear$  increases, then the probability of executing event *ApplyBrake* decreases and the probability of *ApplyBrakeFailure* increases.

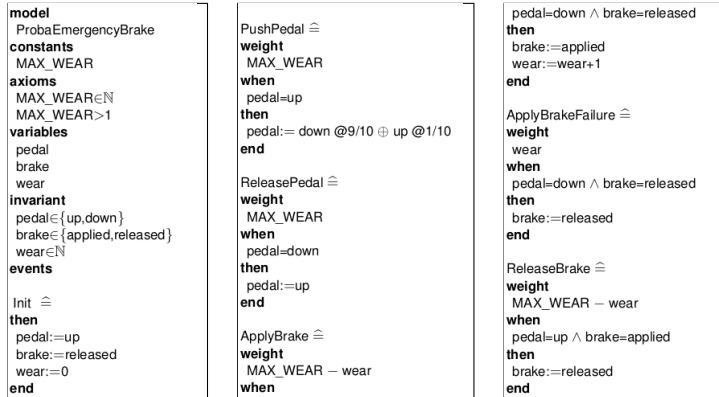


Figure 2.6: Probabilistic machine of the brake example, taken from [10]

## 2.4 Maude

Maude [21, 22, 23] is a high performance declarative language, that allows the specification of programs or systems, and their formal verification. Maude's specifications are represented as *functional modules* declared with syntax:

```
fmod MODULENAME is
  BODY
endfm
```

where *MODULENAME* is the name of the functional module, and *BODY* is a set of declarations that specify the specification. The body of the module contains *sorts* (written in Maude as `sorts`), where each sort correspond to a specific data type. It also contains a set of function symbols or function declarations called *operators* (abbreviated as `op` in Maude), that specify the constructors of the different sorts, along with the syntax of the specification's functions. Finally, a set of *equations* (abbreviated as `eq` in Maude) is used to define the behavior of the functions. These equations use *variables* (abbreviated as `var` in Maude).

To illustrate how a Maude specification is constructed, the following code corresponds to a functional module that defines the natural numbers and the addition operation, borrowed from [22, 23]:

```
fmod NAT-ADD is
  sort Nat .

  op 0 : -> Nat [ctor] .
  op s : Nat -> Nat [ctor] .
  op _+_ : Nat Nat -> Nat .

  vars N M : Nat .

  --- Recursive Definition for addition
  eq N + 0 = N .
  eq N + s(M) = s(N + M) .
endfm
```

The sort `Nat` is a data type that represents the natural numbers. This sort has two constructors (represented in the code with the key word `ctor`): `0` which is a constant and the operator `s`, which takes one argument of type `Nat` and represents the successor function in the natural numbers. With these two operators, it is possible to define arithmetic functions in the natural numbers, like addition. In this case, the operation is defined inductively using 2 equations. Using this module, it is possible to compute the value for addition for two natural numbers using the command `red`. For example, if the command `red s(s(s(0))) + s(s(0))` is used (the command represents the operation  $3 + 2$ ), the answer 5 is obtained represented as `s(s(s(s(s(0)))))`:

```
***** equation
eq N + s(M) = s(N + M) .
N --> s(s(s(0)))
M --> s(0)
```

```

s(s(s(0))) + s(s(0))
--->
s(s(s(s(0))) + s(0))
***** equation
eq N + s(M) = s(N + M) .
N --> s(s(s(0)))
M --> 0
s(s(s(0))) + s(0)
--->
s(s(s(s(0))) + 0)
***** equation
eq N + 0 = N .
N --> s(s(s(0)))
s(s(s(0))) + 0
--->
s(s(s(0)))
result Nat: s(s(s(s(s(0)))))

```

Maude computes using equations from left to right. Therefore, in computation steps like the first one, the expression  $s(s(s(0))) + s(s(0))$  is matched with the left side of the equation  $N + s(M) = s(N + M)$  and matching substitution  $\{N \mapsto s(s(s(0))), M \mapsto s(0)\}$ . The resulting expression  $s(s(s(0))) + s(s(0))$ , will be simplified again with the same equation, until it reduces to a simplified expression that can be matched with the equation  $N + 0 = N$  (as seen in the last step).

Semantically, functional modules in Maude are *equational theories* [23, 22], that are represented as a pair  $(\Sigma, E)$  where:

- the *signature*  $\Sigma$  describes the syntax of the theory, which is the data types and operators symbols (sorts and operators).
- $E$  is the set of equations between expressions written in the syntax of  $\Sigma$ .

As mentioned before, computations in Maude are done by using the equations over expressions constructed with operators. This method is called *term rewriting* [23, 22] and behaves in the following way:

- With the equations  $E$  of  $(\Sigma, E)$ , *term rewriting rules* are defined as  $\vec{E} = \{u \rightarrow v \mid (u = v) \in E\}$ .
- A term  $t$ , which are expressions formed using the syntax in  $\Sigma$ , is rewritten to  $t'$  in one step  $t \rightarrow_{\vec{E}} t'$  if and only if, the following conditions are sufficed:
  - there is a subterm  $w$  in  $t$ , expressed as  $t[w]$ .
  - there is a rule  $(u \rightarrow v) \in \vec{E}$  and a substitution  $\theta$  s.t. :  $w = u\theta$ ,  $w' = v\theta$ ,  $t' = t[w'] = t[v\theta]$ .



As an example, taken from [23], in the previous computation  $\text{red } s(s(s(0))) + s(s(0))$  the term rewriting process in the second step, is the following:

- $E = N + s(M) = s(N + M)$
- $t = s(s(s(s(0)))) + s(0)$
- $\theta = \{N \mapsto s(s(s(0))), M \mapsto 0\}$
- $w = N + s(M) \theta = s(s(s(0))) + s(0)$
- $w' = s(N + M) \theta = s(s(s(s(0)))) + 0$
- $t' = s([w']) = s(s(s(s(s(0)))) + 0)$

the resulting term rewriting is  $t \rightarrow_{\vec{E}} t'$ . Aside from building specifications in Maude using functional modules, it is also possible to model concurrent systems. This is done with *system modules*, which permits the construction of system states and transitions. Semantically, a system module is a *rewrite theory* [22, 24]  $\mathcal{R} = (\Sigma, E, L, R)$  where:

- $(\Sigma, E)$  is an equational theory.
- $L$  is a set of labels.
- $R$  is a set of unconditional labeled rewrite rules of the form  $l : t \rightarrow t'$ , and conditional labeled rewrite rules of the form  $l : t \rightarrow t'$  if *cond*, where  $l \in L$ ,  $t, t'$  are terms in  $\Sigma$  and *cond* is a condition or system guard.

The syntax for system modules in Maude is:

```
mod MODULENAME is
  BODY
endm
```

Where the body represents a rewrite theory  $\mathcal{R}$ . The syntax for unconditional rewriting rules is

```
rl [l] : t => t' .
```

and for conditional rewriting rules is

```
crl [l] : t => t' if cond .
```

To exemplify this, let's consider the following simple model of a bus.

**Example 2.4.1** A transport bus has capacity for 60 people. The bus can be moving or stationary, and can only drop or lift passengers when the bus is stationary. Finally, at any time the bus driver can use the brake to stop or use the gas pedal to move. The corresponding Maude system module for this model is:

```

mod BUS is protecting NAT .
  sorts Bus Status .

  op bus : Nat Status -> Bus [ctor] .
  ops stationary moving : -> Status [ctor] .

  vars N M : Nat . var S : Status .

  --- move the bus
  rl [move] : bus(N,stationary) => bus(N,moving) .
  --- stop the bus
  rl [stop] : bus(N,moving) => bus(N,stationary) .
  --- drop passenger
  rl [drop] : bus(s(N),stationary) => bus(N,stationary) .
  --- lift passenger
  crl [lift] : bus(N,stationary) => bus(s(N),stationary)
              if s(N) <= 60 .
endm

```

In this model the states of the system are represented with instances of the sort `Bus`. They contain a natural number that represents the number of people inside the bus and a `Status`, which represents the state of the bus (it can be `stationary` or `moving`). In this case, no equations are used, therefore the set of equations  $E = \emptyset$  and  $\Sigma$  will contain the sorts `Bus` and `Status` with their respective operators. To model the different events in the model, four rewriting rules were used:

- An unconditional rule, labeled `move`, that represents the event of using the gas pedal to move the bus by changing the status from `stationary` to `moving`. Note that this rule can only be applied when the bus is `stationary`, as stated by the rule first term `bus(N,stationary)`.
- An unconditional rule, labeled `stop`, that represents the event of using the brakes to stop the bus. This changes the status of the bus from `moving` to `stationary`. As the previous rule, it can only be applied when the first term is matched, i.e. when the bus status is `moving`.
- An unconditional rule, labeled `drop`, that represents the event of dropping people off the bus. The subterm `s(N)` assures that it can only drop a person when the number of people inside the bus is one or more. This rule rewrites the state of the system, by reducing the number of passengers in the bus by one.
- A conditional rule, labeled `lift`, that represents the event of lifting a passenger. When this rule is applied, the number of passengers inside the bus is increased by one. To prevent exceeding the maximum capacity of the bus, the condition `if s(N) <= 60` is used.

With this system module, that represents a rewrite theory  $\mathcal{R}$ , the simple bus model can be verified using other functionalities in Maude like model checking with the commands `rewrite` and `search`. The `rewrite` command or `rew` takes an initial state of the system and uses the rewriting rules until termination, i.e. until no other rewriting rule can be applied to the system state. In the case of the bus example, the rules `move` and `stop` can be applied infinitely. Therefore, to be able to simulate the system, Maude also allows to use bounded rewriting. With this method, it is possible to specify the number of rewriting rules to be applied to the initial state of the system. For example, the command `rew [3] bus(0, stationary) .` will apply 3 rewriting rules to the state `bus(0, stationary)`, which refers to a stationary bus with no passengers. The resulting execution is:

```
***** rule
rl bus(N, stationary) => bus(N, moving) [label move] .
bus(0, stationary)
--->
bus(0, moving)
***** rule
rl bus(N, moving) => bus(N, stationary) [label stop] .
bus(0, moving)
--->
bus(0, stationary)
***** rule
crl bus(N, stationary) => bus(s N, stationary)
                           if s N <= 60 = true [label lift] .
bus(0, stationary)
--->
bus(1, stationary)
result Bus: bus(1, stationary)
```

Lastly, with the `search` command it is possible to verify if a given state is reachable. For example, to check if the state `bus(10, stationary)` can be reached from the initial state `bus(0, moving)`, the command `search bus(0, stationary) =>* bus(10, moving) .` can be used. The result of this command is: ’

```
search in BUS : bus(0, stationary) =>* bus(10, moving) .
Solution 1 (state 21)
states: 22  rewrites: 50 in 0ms cpu (0ms real) (~ rewrites/second)
empty substitution
No more solutions.
```

If the search returns a solution, it means that the state is reachable. Furthermore, it is also possible to check if the system will exceed the maximum capacity, defining a system invariant  $I$  that states this property. This can be done, by adding the following code to the bus module:

```

--- Define predicates
var X : Bus .
op predicate : Bus -> Bool .
eq predicate(bus(N,S)) = if N <= 60 then true else false fi .

```

This invariant can be checked with the search command using:

```
search bus(0,stationary) =>* X s.t. predicate(X) /= true .
```

which searches for a state X where the bus has more than 60 passengers. The resulting execution of the command returns no solution:

```

search in BUS : bus(0, stationary) =>*
                    X such that predicate(X) /= true = true .
No solution.

```

This means that the bus system can not exceed the maximum capacity of the bus.

## 2.5 Object-Based Programming in Maude

Object-based programming in Maude [21, 24, 22] is supported by a predefined module `CONFIGURATION`. This module contains the necessary sorts and syntax to define the objects, messages, system configurations and objects interactions, of an object-based system. This module is defined as:

```

mod CONFIGURATION is
  --- basic object system sorts
  sorts Object Msg Configuration .
  --- construction of configurations
  subsort Object Msg < Configuration .
  op none : -> Configuration [ctor] .
  op _ _ : Configuration Configuration -> Configuration
          [ctor config assoc comm id: none] .

```

The basic sorts are `Object`, `Msg` and `Configuration`. A term of sort `Object` represents an instance of a system object, a term of sort `Msg` represents a message shared by the system objects and a term of sort `Configuration` represents a snapshot of the current system state, represented as a multiset of objects and messages. These configurations are built with the multiset union operation (defined with syntax `_ _`) between objects, messages or other configurations, and the empty configuration is defined as `none`. The module configuration also implements a predefined syntax for object construction. They have the form:

$$\langle O : C \mid a_1 : v_1, \dots, a_n : v_n \rangle$$

Where  $O$  is the object's identifier,  $C$  is a class identifier,  $a_1...a_n$  are attribute identifiers and  $v_1...v_n$  are the values of each one of the attributes. This defined syntax in Maude is implemented as:

```

--- Maude object syntax
sorts Oid Cid .
sorts Attribute AttributeSet .
subsort Attribute < AttributeSet .
op none : -> AttributeSet [ctor] .
op _,_ : AttributeSet AttributeSet -> AttributeSet
[ctor assoc comm id: none] .
op <_:_|_> : Oid Cid AttributeSet -> Object [ctor object] .
endm

```

Where Oid corresponds to the object identifier  $O$ , Cid is the class identifier  $C$  and the attributes of the object are represented as a multiset. Messages' syntax is defined by the user. To understand how systems are modeled in Maude with configurations, the bank account example in [21] can be examined.

**Example 2.5.1** The BANK-ACCOUNT system module is defined as:

```

mod BANK-ACCOUNT is
  protecting INT .
  protecting CONFIGURATION .
  op Account : -> Cid [ctor] .
  op bal :_ : Int -> Attribute [ctor gather (&)] .
  op from_to_transfer_ : Oid Oid Nat -> Msg [ctor] .

  vars A B : Oid .
  vars M N L : Nat .

  --- Definition of transfer rewriting rule
  crl [transfer] :
    (from A to B transfer M)
    < A : Account | bal : N >
    < B : Account | bal : L >
    => < A : Account | bal : N - M >
        < B : Account | bal : L + M >
    if N >= M .

  --- Definition of the initial configuration
  op bankConf : -> Configuration .
  ops A-001 A-002 : -> Oid .
  eq bankConf
  = < A-001 : Account | bal : 250 >
    < A-002 : Account | bal : 1250 >

```

```

    (from A-002 to A-001 transfer 300) .
endm

```

The system consists of different bank accounts, that can transfer money to each other. The bank account class is named as `Account`, and it contains the attribute `bal` which corresponds to the amount of money available in an account. The message `from_to_transfer` simulates the transfer request from one account to another, by specifying the two account object identifiers or `Oid` (one for the account that sends the money and the other one for the account that receives the money) and the amount of money to be sent as an integer. The rewrite rule `transfer` matches a system configuration where the message from A to B transfer M and the two accounts with `Oid` A and B are present. After that, the rule modifies the attribute `bal` of both accounts according to the transaction parameters and erases the message from the configuration. For example, if the initial configuration of the system is the one defined by `bankConf`, the result after using the rewriting command `rew in BANK-ACCOUNT : bankConf .` would be:

```

result Configuration: < A-001 : Account | bal : 550 >
                    < A-002 : Account | bal : 950 >

```

## 2.6 PMaude

Probabilistic Maude or PMaude [15], is a Maude extension that introduces probabilities to the language. The underlying theory behind PMaude are *probabilistic rewrite theories* which correspond to an extension of rewrite theories. Probabilistic rewrite theories can be expressed as tuple  $\mathcal{R}_p = (\Sigma, E, L, R, \pi)$ , where  $(\Sigma, E, L, R, )$  is a rewrite theory and  $\pi$  is a function that assigns to each rewrite rule  $r \in R$  a probability, given the current model state or configuration. This probability will determine if a rule may or may not be executed in the following system transition. The general form of probabilistic rewrite rules, both unconditional and conditional respectively is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 l : t(\vec{x}) \rightarrow t'(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) \text{ if } C(\vec{x}) \text{ **with probability** } \vec{y} := \pi_r(\vec{y}) \\
 l' : t(\vec{x}) \rightarrow t'(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) \text{ **with probability** } \vec{y} := \pi_r(\vec{y})
 \end{aligned}$$

Where  $\vec{x}$  is the set of variables of the current model state,  $\vec{y}$  is the set of new variables accessible in the following model state and  $C(\vec{x})$  is the conjunction of conditions over the set  $\vec{x}$ . Moreover,  $l, l'$  are labels in  $L$ ,  $t, t'$  are terms written with  $\Sigma$  and  $\pi_r$  corresponds to the probability function assigned to the specific rule  $r \in R$ .

**Example 2.6.1** To exemplify this new notion, let's consider the PMaude module, presented in [15]:

```

pmod EXPONENTIAL-CLOCK is
  --- import positive real number module

```

```

protecting POSREAL .

--- imports PMAude module that defines
--- EXPONENTIAL, BERNOULLI, GAMMA, etc.
protecting PMAUDE .

--- declare a sort Clock
sort Clock .
--- declare a constructor operator for Clock
op clock : PosReal PosReal => Clock .
--- declares a constructor operator for a broken clock
op broken : PosReal PosReal => Clock .

--- T is used to represent time of clock,
--- C represents charge in the clocks battery,
--- t represents time increment of the clock
vars T C t : PosReal . var B : Bool .

rl [advance]: clock(T,C) =>
    if B then
        clock(T+t,C -  $\frac{C}{1000}$ )
    else
        broken(T,C -  $\frac{C}{1000}$ )
    fi
    with probability B:=BERNOULLI( $\frac{C}{1000}$ )
    and
    t:=EXPONENTIAL(1.0) .

rl [reset]: clock(T,C) => clock(0.0,C) .
endpm

```

This model represents a clock that works with a battery. The idea is to model the behavior of the clock, when the battery starts depleting: when the charge of the battery is high, then the probability that the clock breaks is low. Conversely, when the clock's battery is low, the clock has a higher probability of breaking. In this probabilistic system module, the clock is represented as a term `clock(T,C)`, where `T` is the time and `C` is the clock's battery. The main probabilistic rewrite rule `advance` represents the “ticks” of the clock. If the boolean value `B` is true, then the clocks ticks normally and the new time will be the current time `T` plus an increment `t`. Also, the charge of the clock will be reduced by a thousandth of the current's clock's charge. If `B` is false, then the clock will break and change to the state `broken(T,C -  $\frac{C}{1000}$ )`. The constructor `broken` of sort `Clock`, represents the broken state of the clock. To incorporate the probabilistic choice of event for the clock's state (either ticking or breaking), the value `B` is chosen probabilistically, based on the charge of the clock. This is done by the `BERNOULLI` function, which receives a float number and returns a boolean value that is distributed according to the Bernoulli distribution with

mean  $\frac{C}{1000}$ . Therefore, the lesser the charge left in the battery, the greater is the probability that the clock will break. The value  $t$  is also probabilistically determined, in this case, by an exponential distribution function. There is also a second rewriting rule, that resets the clock to its initial state `clock(0.0, C)`. It is important to remark that this model has both probabilistic and non-deterministic choice: The state of the clock depends on a probability function but the choice of rewriting rules is done non-deterministically by Maude's fair scheduler.

PMaude modules can be transformed into regular system modules in Maude. This is done with three key modules: COUNTER, RANDOM and SAMPLER. The built-in COUNTER module in Maude consists of the rewriting rule

```
rl counter => N:Nat .
```

that rewrites the constant counter to a natural number. The module is built to guarantee that every time the constant counter is replaced with a natural number  $N$ , this natural number corresponds to the successor of the natural number obtained in the previous use of the rule. The built-in RANDOM module provides a random number generator function, called `random`. Lastly, the SAMPLER module specifies the sampling functions for different probability functions. For example, for the previous clock example, the needed functions will be:

```
op EXPONENTIAL : PosReal => PosReal .
op BERNOULLI : PosReal => Bool .
```

that are defined as:

```
rl EXPONENTIAL(R) => (- log(rand)) / R .
rl BERNOULLI(R) => if rand < R then true else false fi .
```

The value `rand` in both of the rules is defined as:

```
rl [rnd] : rand => float(random(counter + 1) / 4294967296) .
```

and it is rewritten in each step to a random number between 0 and 1. The number 4294967296 is used to divide the number returned by `random`, since it is the maximum number the function can return. The resulting Maude system module [15] is:

```
mod EXPONENTIAL-CLOCK-TRANSFORMED is
  --- The SAMPLER mode includes the COUNTER and RANDOM modules
  protecting SAMPLER .
  protecting POSREAL .

  sort Clock .
  op clock : Nat Float -> Clock [ctor] .
  op broken : Nat Float -> Clock [ctor] .
```



```

vars T C : PosReal .

rl clock(T,C) => if BERNOULLI( $\frac{C}{1000}$ ) then
    clock(T + EXPONENTIAL(1.0), C -  $\frac{C}{1000}$ )
else
    broken(T, C -  $\frac{C}{1000}$ )
fi .

rl [reset]: clock(T,C) => clock(0.0,C) .
endm

```

## 2.7 VeStA, PVeStA, MultiVeStA, QuaTEx and MultiQuaTEx

VeStA [25] is a tool (implemented in Java) for statistical analysis of probabilistic systems. It supports statistical model checking and statistical evaluation of expected values of temporal expressions. These expressions can be constructed using the query language of *Quantitative Temporal Expression* or QuaTEx [15], and analyzed by VeStA using *Monte Carlo simulations*. The general process to use VeStA and analyze the properties of a probabilistic model, is the following:

1. Create a probabilistic system in the supported modeling languages, e.g. probabilistic rewrite theories specified in PMAude.
2. Define the model properties that are going to be analyzed using the supported temporal expressions, e.g. QuaTEx.
3. Run Monte Carlos simulations using VeStA, over the model and the defined properties, specifying the simulation parameters.
4. Get the expected value of the temporal expressions specified in step 2.

The syntax of a QuaTEx expression is defined in Figure 2.7. The reader can find an in depth explanation of this syntax and how QuaTEx queries evaluate in [15, 19], but for now we will define a QuaTEx expression as the expected value of a temporal logic predicate over state observations that returns a real number. For example the QuaTEx expression `eval E[PExp]` returns the expected value of the real number returned by the temporal logic predicate *PExp* (or also called *path expression* in the syntax of QuaTEx).

Using the previous definition of QuaTEx queries, let's suppose that we want to find the expected value of a QuaTEx query `eval E[PExp]` using VeStA (we will refer to the expected value of the QuaTEx query obtained by VeStA as  $\bar{x}$ , and to the real expected value as  $x$ ). To obtain  $\bar{x}$ , VeStA uses 2 user-defined parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\delta$ . With these parameters, VeStA runs  $n$  simulations, until  $n$  is large enough to obtain a *confidence interval* (CI) with

$Q$	$::= DS \text{ eval } E[PExp];$	1
$DS$	$::= \text{set of } Defn$	2
$Defn$	$::= N(x_1, \dots, x_m) = PExp;$	3
$SExp$	$::= c \mid \mathbf{rval}(i) \mid F(SExp_1, \dots, SExp_k) \mid x_j$	4
$PExp$	$::= SExp \mid \#N(SExp_1, \dots, SExp_n) \mid$	5
	$\quad \mathbf{if } SExp \text{ then } PExp_1 \text{ else } PExp_2 \text{ fi}$	6

Figure 2.7: QuaTEx syntax, taken from [19]

probability  $(1 - \alpha) * 100\%$  bounded by  $\delta$ , i.e an interval  $[\bar{x} - \frac{\delta}{2}, \bar{x} + \frac{\delta}{2}]$  where the probability that  $x \in [\bar{x} - \frac{\delta}{2}, \bar{x} + \frac{\delta}{2}]$  is  $(1 - \alpha) * 100\%$ . In other words, if VeStA calculates the expected value of a QuaTEx query as  $\bar{x}$ , then the probability that the real expected value of the query (represented as  $x$ ) is in the interval  $[\bar{x} - \frac{\delta}{2}, \bar{x} + \frac{\delta}{2}]$ , is  $(1 - \alpha) * 100\%$ .

VeStA and Quatex have also seen many upgrades during time. For example, the authors in [16] present an extension of VeStA called PVeStA. This tool allows to run parallelized algorithms for statistical model checking using a client-server architecture. Furthermore [19] presents an extension of both VeStA and PVeStA called MultiVeStA, that extends the QuaTEx language to MultiQuaTEx, by allowing to query more state measures at a time. This improves the usability and the performance of the language. The extension also integrates existing discrete event simulators in addition to the originally supported ones, and improves the presentation of results. In Chapter 5, a detailed explanation on how to use MultiVeStA with PMAude specifications, will be given.

To illustrate how statistical analysis of probabilistic rewrite theories specified in Pmaude works, the MultiVeStA tool will be used to run simulations over the clock model

specified in the previous section and verify properties over it. To do this, the steps to modify and run the clock example are:

1. Define the PMAude model's states as configurations using object-oriented programming in Maude and define the system transitions as rewriting rules between configurations.
2. Implement a scheduler that chooses deterministically the event that is going to be executed.
3. Include the necessary elements of MultiVeStA inside the model's definition.
4. Define an analysis module to define the model observations used by the MultiQuaTEx queries.
5. Define the MultiQuaTEx queries that represent the model's properties that want to be checked.
6. Specify the simulation parameters.
7. Run the simulations using the the probabilistic model, the MultiQuaTEx queries and the simulation parameters.

For the first step, we will create a class named `Clock` defined as:

```
< Oid : Clock | time: Nat, battery: Float, state: State > .
```

where the sort `State` is defined by two constants `working` and `broken`. The initial state of the system is then defined as:

```
< myClock : Clock | time: 0, battery: 1000.0, state: working >
```

And the rewrite rule that simulates the clock's ticks is:

```
rl [clockTick] :
  < cl : Clock | time: T, battery: C, state: working >
=>
  if sampleBernoulli(C / 1000.0) then
    < cl : Clock | time: s(T), battery: (C - (C / 1000.0)),
      state: working >
  else
    < cl : Clock | time: T, battery: C, state: broken >
  fi .
```

In this model, instead of having the exponential function to determine the time increment, it will be fixed to 1. Afterwards, it is necessary to implement the structures required by MultiVeStA to run the simulations. These structures control the simulation's time and schedules the following rules to be applied. Then, the state observations can be defined. These observations correspond to the `rval` (*i*) predicate defined in [15, 19], and for this example three `rval` predicates are defined as:

- `s.rval("eTime")`: returns the time value of the clock in state *s*, as a float number.
- `s.rval("eBattery")`: returns the battery level of the clock in state *s*.
- `s.rval("isBrk")`: returns 1.0 if the clock is broken in state *s* or 0.0 if the clock is working in state *s*.

Using these predicates, two MultiQuaTEx formulas are defined:

```
PTime() = if ( s.rval("isBrk") == 1.0 )
           then s.rval("eTime") else # PTime() fi ;
eval E[ PTime() ] ;

#-----

PBattery() = if ( s.rval("isBrk") == 1.0 )
              then s.rval("eBattery") else # PBattery() fi ;
eval E[ PBattery() ] ;
```

The first formula states that the if the clock is broken (i.e. `s.rval("isBrk") == 1.0`) then return the current time of the clock (i.e. `s.rval("eTime")`). If not, the query recursively calls itself in the following system state (i.e. `# PTime()`). The other query has the same behavior as the previous one, but instead of `s.rval("eTime")` is `s.rval("eBattery")`. Therefore, the answer returned by the first query corresponds to the expected value of the clock's time when it breaks, and the answer returned by the second query is the expected value of the clock's battery when it breaks. Once the simulations are executed with the clock probabilistic model, both MultiQuaTEx formulas and parameters  $\alpha = 0.05$  and  $\delta = 1$ , the obtained results for both queries were:

Property	ObtainedValue	Variance	CI
PTime()	39.7909482758621	422.729500809641	0.999968586222357

Property	ObtainedValue	Variance	CI
PBattery()	961.13204082891	387.863387550541	0.999651593005253

This means that the expected value of the time when the clock breaks has a probability of  $(1 - \alpha) * 100\% = 95\%$  to be inside the interval  $[\frac{\delta}{2} - 39.79, \frac{\delta}{2} + 39.79] = [39.29, 40.29]$ , and the expected value of the battery level when the clock breaks has a probability of  $(1 - \alpha) * 100\% = 95\%$  to be inside the interval  $[\frac{\delta}{2} - 961.13, \frac{\delta}{2} + 961.13] = [960.63, 961.63]$ .

## Chapter 3

# A Rewriting Logic Semantics for Probabilistic Event-B

The rewriting logic approach to probabilistic Event-B [17], introduces a method for translating probabilistic Event-B models to PMaude models that are executable in PVeStA. Formally speaking, it is a map  $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket : (\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{M}) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{M}}$  from a probabilistic event model to a rewrite theory. There are two main steps for this transformation:

1. Specify a rewrite theory  $\mathcal{R}$  to encode the static parts of the model, i.e. the context and the initialization of the machine.
2. Then,  $\mathcal{R}$  is extended with equations and rewrite rules that correspond to the events in the machine  $\mathcal{M}$ .

The rewrite theory  $\mathcal{R}$  works as a framework that allows to represent each one of the Event-B's elements inside Maude. To explore the implementation of it, the reader can refer to [18], where the rewrite theory is specified with multiple Maude system modules in the folder named as `m-theory`. For the sake of simplicity, a general definition of  $\mathcal{R}$  will be given.

$\mathcal{R}$  consists of four Maude system modules: `SAMPLER`, `EB-CORE`, `EBCONTEXT`, and `EBMACHINE`. `SAMPLER` contains the definition of functions for probabilistic sampling. `EB-CORE` functions as a prelude, that contains definitions for the representation of basic Event-B constructs such as elements, sets, relations, and operations on them. `EBCONTEXT` defines the structure to encode Event-B's contexts in Maude and `EBMACHINE` does the same for Event-B's machines. The way these modules interact, is represented in Figure 3.1.

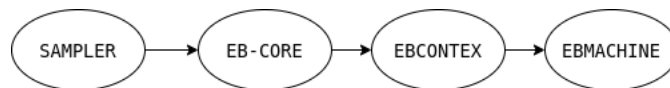


Figure 3.1: Interaction between system modules

The figure shows that the EBMACHINE module includes the EBCONTEXT module, EBCONTEXT includes EB-CORE, and EB-CORE includes SAMPLER. When the translation of an Event-B model is done, the resulting specification includes the equations and rewrite rules necessary to extend  $\mathcal{R}$  into  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{M}}$ . Therefore, the system module that represents the translated Event-B model, must include the EBMACHINE module, which also includes all the other mentioned modules. In the end, the interaction between these modules, represent the rewrite theory  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{M}}$ , as seen in the Figure 3.2. Using this framework for representing Event-B models in

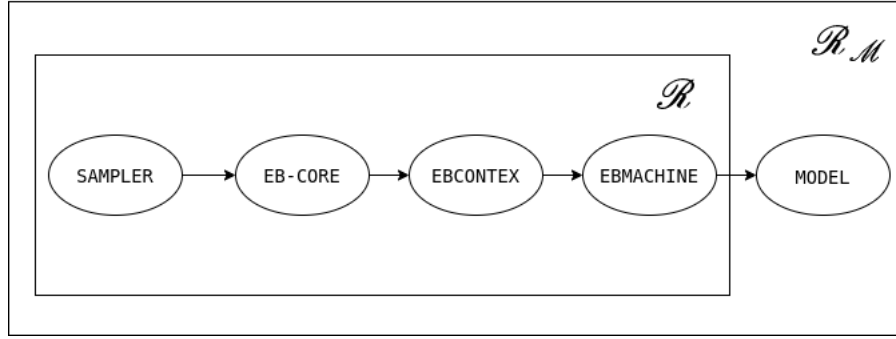


Figure 3.2: Interaction between  $\mathcal{R}$  and the translated model

Maude, it is possible to define the complete encoding  $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket$ . To guide the reader through the complete encoding, the example of the probabilistic brake system in section 2.3, Figure 2.6, will be used. For the following sections, a *map* will be defined as a set of pairs of the form  $(x_1 \mapsto y_1, x_2 \mapsto y_2, \dots, x_n \mapsto y_n)$

### 3.1 Step 1: Encoding Contexts

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a context. The corresponding encoding of  $\mathcal{C}$  in  $\mathcal{R}$  corresponds to the term:

$$\langle \llbracket \mathcal{C} \rrbracket_{id} : Context \mid sets : \llbracket \mathcal{C} \rrbracket_{sets}, constants : \llbracket \mathcal{C} \rrbracket_{constants} \rangle$$

Where  $\llbracket \mathcal{C} \rrbracket_{id}$  encodes the context's identifier,  $\llbracket \mathcal{C} \rrbracket_{sets}$  encodes the context's deferred sets, and  $\llbracket \mathcal{C} \rrbracket_{constants}$  encodes the context's constants. The resulting term has sort CONFIGURATION, and represents an object of the class Context, with attributes sets and constants. For the probabilistic brake system, the resulting term would be the following:

```

<'ctxBrakeSystem: Context |
    sets: ('SBRAKE |-> (elt("applied"), elt("released")),
          'SPEDAL |-> (elt("down"), elt("up"))),
    constants: ('MAXWEAR |-> val(elt(10))) >

```

- $\llbracket \mathcal{C} \rrbracket_{id}$  returns the identifier of the context as a *quoted identifier* [21], which is a predefined string in Maude that is used to identify objects. In the brake model,  $\llbracket \mathcal{C} \rrbracket_{id} = 'ctxBrakeSystem$

- $\llbracket \mathcal{C} \rrbracket_{constants}$  returns a map of quoted identifiers, that represent the constants' names, with a term of the sort `EBType`, that represents the values of the constants. This sort functions as a wrapper for all the possible types in a Event-B model, i.e. sets, relations and basic data types. These basic data types are defined with the sort `EBElt`, that also functions as a wrapper for integers, boolean values and identifiers (represented as strings). In the brake model,  $\llbracket \mathcal{C} \rrbracket_{constants} = ('MAXWEAR \mid \rightarrow \text{val}(\text{elt}(10)))$ .
- $\llbracket \mathcal{C} \rrbracket_{sets}$  returns a map of quoted identifiers, that represent the deferred sets' names, with a set of sort `EBSet`, that represent the possible values of the deferred set. The sort `EBSet` is defined as a Maude set, where the elements of the set are of sort `EBElt`. For example, in the brake model the deferred set that contains the possible states for the *pedal* variable, is represented by the pair `'SPEDAL  $\mid \rightarrow$  (elt("down"), elt("up"))`.

## 3.2 Step 1: Machine Initialization in Maude

Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a probabilistic machine. The corresponding encoding of the initialization of  $\mathcal{M}$  in  $\mathcal{R}$  is the term:

$$\langle \llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{id} : \text{Machine} \mid \text{variables} : \llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{initVars} \rangle$$

Where  $\llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{id}$  encodes the machine's identifier and  $\llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{initVars}$  encodes the model's variables to their initial values, defined by the *Init* event. The resulting term has sort `CONFIGURATION`, and represents an object of the class `Machine`, with attribute `variables`. For the probabilistic brake system, the resulting term: would be the following:

```
<'BrakeSystem: Machine | variables: ('brake  $\mid \rightarrow$  val(elt("released")),
                                     'pedal  $\mid \rightarrow$  val(elt("up")),
                                     'wear  $\mid \rightarrow$  val(elt(0))) >
```

- $\llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{id}$  returns the identifier of the machine as a a quoted identifier. In the brake model,  $\llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{id} = 'BrakeSystem$ .
- $\llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{initVars}$  returns a map of quoted identifiers, that represent the names of the variables, with a term of sort `EBType`, that represent the values of the variables. For example, in the brake model the variable *pedal* and its value in the initial state, are represented by the pair `'pedal  $\mid \rightarrow$  val(elt("up"))`.

## 3.3 Step 1: Events' States in Maude

In order to simulate the behavior of probabilistic Event-B in Maude, it is necessary to have a deterministic method to choose the next event that is going to be executed during simulation. To do this, it is necessary to define a structure that contains the states of the events in each system configuration. These possible event's states are:

- **unknown**: the event's guards have not been evaluated.
- **enabled( $n$ )**: the event's guard is true with weight  $n$ .
- **blocked**: the event's guard is false.
- **execute**: the event has been chosen for execution in the next system transition.

This structure maps each one of the events of the model to their corresponding event state in a given system configuration. Therefore, it allows to check after each system transition the states of the events. In the meantime, this section focuses on how this structure is initialized, but the use for this structure will be detailed in the following sections.

Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a probabilistic machine. The corresponding encoding of the initialization of the events' states in  $\mathcal{R}$  is the term:

$$\langle \text{events} : \text{Events} \mid \text{state} : \llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{\text{initEvtSt}} \rangle$$

Where  $\llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{\text{initEvtSt}}$  encodes the initialization of the event's states. The resulting term has sort CONFIGURATION, and represents an object of the class Events, with attribute state.  $\llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{\text{initEvtSt}}$  returns a set  $ev(evt_1, st_1), \dots, ev(evt_n, st_n)$  where each  $evt_i$  is a quoted identifier that represents the name of the event, and  $st_i$  is a term of sort EvState, that represents the state of the event. In this case, all of the  $st_i = \text{unknown}$ , since in the initialization of the model none of the guards of the event have been evaluated. For the brake system, the resulting term after the encoding would be:

```
< events : Events | state: (ev('PushPedal, unknown)
                           ev('ReleasePedal, unknown)
                           ev('ApplyBrake, unknown)
                           ev('ApplyBrakeFailure, unknown)
                           ev('ReleaseBrake, unknown)) >
```

### 3.4 Step 1: Initial State and System States in Maude

As seen in the preliminaries chapter, the states of the specification of a system in Maude, are represented using terms. For the translated models from probabilistic Event-B models, the initial system state of the system is:

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \llbracket \mathcal{C} \rrbracket_{id} : \text{Context} \mid \text{sets} : \llbracket \mathcal{C} \rrbracket_{\text{sets}}, \text{constants} : \llbracket \mathcal{C} \rrbracket_{\text{constants}} \rangle \\ & \langle \llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{id} : \text{Machine} \mid \text{variables} : \llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{\text{initVars}} \rangle \\ & \langle \text{events} : \text{Events} \mid \text{state} : \llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{\text{initEvtSt}} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

This term has sort CONFIGURATION, and combines the previously explained objects. To refer to this term, the following notation will be used:

$$\mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_0 \mathfrak{E}$$



Where  $\mathfrak{C}$  is the term that represents the context,  $\mathfrak{M}_0$  is the term that represents the machine in the initial state, and  $\mathfrak{E}$  is the term that represents the events' states in the current system configuration. The rest of the system states, are symbolized with  $\mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_i \mathfrak{E}$ , and are obtained with the application of equations and rewrite rules, defined in  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{M}}$ , over the initial state  $\mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_0 \mathfrak{E}$ . With these elements, the definition of the rewrite theory  $\mathcal{R}$  is concluded. The following sections provide the definition of the equations and rewrite rules that define  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{M}}$ .

### 3.5 Step 2: *evalSt* Equation

The *evalSt* equation, determines if an event is enabled or blocked, given the current state of the machine  $\mathfrak{M}_i$  and the encoding of the guards of the event  $e_i$ , represented as  $\llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{guards}^{e_i}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_i \langle events : Events \mid state : ev(e_1, unknown) \dots ev(e_n, unknown) \rangle = \\ \mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_i \langle events : Events \mid state : ev(e_1, eval(\mathfrak{M}_i, \llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{guards}^{e_1})) \dots ev(e_n, eval(\mathfrak{M}, \llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{guards}^{e_n})) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

To do this, for each one of the event states  $ev(evt_1, st_1), \dots, ev(evt_n, st_n)$ , the equation evaluates the new state of the event  $e_i$  with the equation *eval*. The equation takes as input the current state of the machine  $\mathfrak{M}_i$ , i.e. the value of each one of the variables, and then determines if the guards of event  $e_i$  are satisfied, using the encoded version of the guards  $\llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{guards}^{e_n}$ . The returned value by *eval*, can only be `enabled(n)`, if the guards of the event are satisfied in  $\mathfrak{M}_i$ , or `blocked` otherwise. For example, if *evalSt* is applied to the first state  $\mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_0 \mathfrak{E}$ , the obtained term is:

```
 $\mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_0 < events : Events \mid state: (ev('PushPedal, enable(10))$ 
 $ev('ReleasePedal, blocked)$ 
 $ev('ApplyBrake, blocked)$ 
 $ev('ApplyBrakeFailure, blocked)$ 
 $ev('ReleaseBrake, blocked)) >$ 
```

### 3.6 Step 2: *chooseEvt* Rule

The *chooseEvt* rule chooses probabilistically, the next event to be executed according to the weights of the enabled events:

$$\mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_i \langle state : ev(e_1, st_1) \dots ev(e_n, st_n) \rangle \rightarrow \mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_i \langle state : ev(e_i, execute) \rangle$$

To do this, the following steps must be applied:

1. Filter out the events  $ev(e_i, st_i)$  where  $st_i = \text{blocked}$ . Thus, the remaining set of event states will have the form  $ev(e_j, enabled(n_j)), \dots, ev(e_k, enabled(n_k))$ .

2. From the enabled events, choose probabilistically one of the events  $e_i$ , according to their weights  $n_j...n_k$ , as done in probabilistic Event-B.
3. The chosen event  $e_i$  is paired with the state `execute`, and the resulting set of event states is  $ev(e_i, execute)$ .

For example, if the rule is applied to the following state from the brake example:

```

 $\mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_i$  <events : Events | state: ev('PushPedal, blocked)
                                ev('ReleasePedal, enabled(10))
                                ev('ApplyBrake, enabled(7))
                                ev('ApplyBrakeFailure, enabled(3))
                                ev('ReleaseBrake, blocked)>

```

The resulting term with the highest probability is:

```

 $\mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_i$  <events : Events | state : ev('ReleasePedal, execute)>

```

Since the *ReleasePedal* event has the biggest weight.

### 3.7 Step 2: $execEvt_{e_i}$ Rule

For each one of the events  $e_i$  in the original probabilistic Event-B model, a rule  $execEvt_{e_i}$  is encoded. It is defined as:

$$\mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_i \langle state : ev(e_i, execute) \rangle \rightarrow \mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_j \langle state : \llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{initEvtSt} \rangle$$

where  $\mathfrak{M}_j$  is obtained by changing the variable values according to the encoded probabilistic assignments of the specific event  $e_i$ . Furthermore, after making the system transition from  $\mathfrak{M}_i \rightarrow \mathfrak{M}_j$ , the states of the events are reseted to unknown, as done in the initialization of the model. For example, if the current state is:

```

 $\mathfrak{C}$  <'BrakeSystem: Machine | variables: ('brake |-> val(elt("released")),
                                'pedal |-> val(elt("up")),
                                'wear |-> val(elt(0))) >
    <events : Events | state: ev('PushPedal, execute) >

```

After executing rule  $execEvt_{PushPedal}$  the resulting state with highest probability is:

```

 $\mathfrak{C}$  <'BrakeSystem: Machine | variables: ('brake |-> val(elt("released")),
                                'pedal |-> val(elt("down")),
                                'wear |-> val(elt(0))) >
    < events : Events | state: (ev('PushPedal, unknown)
                                ev('ReleasePedal, unknown)
                                ev('ApplyBrake, unknown)
                                ev('ApplyBrakeFailure, unknown)
                                ev('ReleaseBrake, unknown)) >

```

Since the *down* value for the *pedal* variable, has a 90% chance of being selected, in the probabilistic assignment from the original model.

### 3.8 $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{M}}$ in a Nutshell

Using all the previously explained elements of the rewrite theory  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{M}}$ , it is possible to summarize how the encoding produces a rewrite theory, that has the same behavior of a probabilistic Event-B model:

1. The probabilistic Event-B is encoded to the rewrite theory  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{M}}$ , using  $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket$ :

$$\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket : (\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{M}) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{M}}$$

2. The system is initialized with term  $\mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_0 \mathfrak{E}$  inside  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{M}}$ :

$$\mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_0 \mathfrak{E}$$

3. For any state of the model, symbolized by  $\mathfrak{M}_i$ , the event guards are evaluated using the equation *evalSt*.

$$\mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_i \langle \text{state} : ev(e_1, unknown) \dots ev(e_n, unknown) \rangle \xrightarrow{evalSt} \mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_i \langle \text{state} : ev(e_1, st_1) \dots ev(e_n, st_n) \rangle$$

4. The blocked events are filtered and the next event is chosen probabilistically from all the enabled events, based on the event's weights:

$$\mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_i \langle \text{state} : ev(e_1, st_1) \dots ev(e_n, st_n) \rangle \xrightarrow{chooseEvt} \mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_i \langle \text{state} : ev(e_i, execute) \rangle$$

5. The rule associated to the encoded version of the chosen event  $e_i$  in the previous step is executed. The resulting change of the variable values, is captured in the rewrite  $\mathfrak{M}_i \rightarrow \mathfrak{M}_j$ . Moreover, the states of the events are initialized again.

$$\mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_i \langle \text{state} : ev(e_i, execute) \rangle \xrightarrow{execEvt_{e_i}} \mathfrak{C} \mathfrak{M}_j \langle \text{state} : ev(e_1, unknown) \dots ev(e_n, unknown) \rangle$$

6. Repeat steps 3,4 and 5 until deadlock (i.e. none of the events can be executed since the guards of the events are unsatisfiable), or until the rule *execEvt<sub>e<sub>i</sub></sub>* has been executed a fixed number of times (this value is represented as a constant named MAX-STEPS inside  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{M}}$ ).

Based on the presented encoding, it is possible to prove that the resulting rewrite theory  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{M}}$  is semantically correct, based on the probabilistic Event-B model  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{M})$ :

**Theorem 3.8.1 (adequacy)** *Let  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{M})$  be an Event-B model and  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{M}}$  be a rewrite theory obtained by the encoding  $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket : (\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{M}) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{M}}$ . Furthermore, let  $s$  and  $s'$  be states or configurations of  $\mathcal{M}$  (i.e. valuations of the variables in  $\mathcal{M}$ ), and  $s \xrightarrow{e_i, p} s'$  be a system transition from state  $s$  to  $s'$ , using the event  $e_i$  with probability  $p$ . Then  $s \xrightarrow{e_i, p} s'$  iff  $\llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_s \rightarrow_p \llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{s'}$ , where  $\llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_s$  and  $\llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket_{s'}$  correspond to the encoded version of states  $s$  and  $s'$  respectively, and  $\rightarrow_p$  denotes one-step rewriting in  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{M}}$  with probability  $p$ .*

**Proof.** The reader can refer to [17] for the proof sketch of this theorem  $\square$ .

# Chapter 4

## MultiVeStA: Statistical Model Checking of PMaude Specifications

As mentioned before, MultiVeStA is an extension of both VeStA and PVeStA that can be used to perform statistical model checking of PMaude specifications. Therefore, the main purpose of this chapter is to present a general introduction to understand how MultiVeStA works, and how it can be used. This chapter is divided in the following sections:

1. Components of MultiVeStA
2. how MultiVeStA algorithm works
3. PMaude and MultiVeStA integration

### 4.1 MultiVeStA's components and processes

First and foremost, the MultiVeStA tool was developed by Andrea Vandin, and it is available to download in a public repository in GitHub [26]. The main components of the tool are:

- **Maude-3.0+yices2:** A folder that contains the Maude distribution.
- **apmaude.mau:** A Maude file that contains the necessary sorts, equations and rules to extend any PMaude specification, so it can be checked using the tool.
- **multivesta.jar:** A java executable that runs the simulations using the specified PMaude model, the MultiQuaTeX query, and the simulation parameters.

To run simulations of a specific PMaude specification, it is necessary to pass to the tool:

- **model.mau:** A Maude file, that contains the specification of the PMaude model that is going to be verified.

- **query.multiquatex:** A MultiQuaTEx file, with the quantitative temporal logic formula written in the MultiQuaTEx language, that will be used to verify the model.
- **Simulations Parameters:** There are multiple parameters to take into account when performing simulations with the tool:
  - $\alpha$  and  $\delta$ , already explained in section 2.7.
  - $bs$ , which defines the number of simulations that each batch will contain (this parameter will be further detailed in the current section).

With these components, it is then possible to run the simulations and obtain the results of the query, as seen in Figure 4.1. The way MultiVeStA obtains these simulation results,

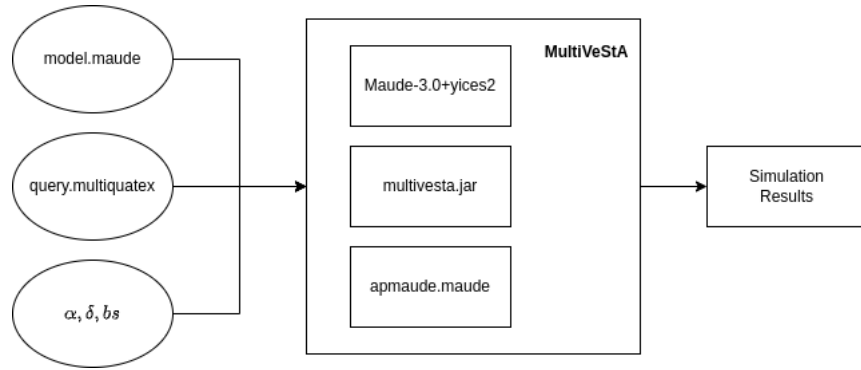


Figure 4.1: MultiVeStA's components

can be defined in the following steps:

1. MultiVeStA performs  $bs$  number of simulations and calculates the confidence interval based on the results obtained in each one of the simulations. Each simulation consists of:
  - (a) Get the initial state of the system  $s_0$  by running *model.maude*, which includes the theory specified in *apmaude.maude*, using the *Maude-3.0+yices2* distribution.
  - (b) Evaluate the MultiQuaTEx formula in *query.multiquatex* over  $s_0$ . If the formula is satisfied, then the simulation ends and the result of the query is returned. Otherwise, MultiVeStA performs a one step in the simulation, to get the next state  $s_i$ .
  - (c) Repeat step b with the new state  $s_i$ , until reaching a state where the formula is satisfied and the results are returned.

As shown in section 2.7, the result of a MultiQuaTEx formula is a floating point value. Therefore, with each one of the values returned by the query in each simulation, the confidence interval of the batch is calculated.

2. If the confidence interval satisfies the parameter  $\alpha$  and  $\delta$  i.e. the real value of the query  $x$  has a probability  $(1 - \alpha) * 100\%$  of being in the interval  $[\bar{x} - \frac{\delta}{2}, \bar{x} + \frac{\delta}{2}]$ , where  $\bar{x}$  is the current value calculated for the query using the simulations, then MultiVeStA returns the results and ends its execution. If not, then MultiVeStA will send another batch of simulations until the confidence interval is finally reached.

In general, the complete process can be viewed in the following flowchart:

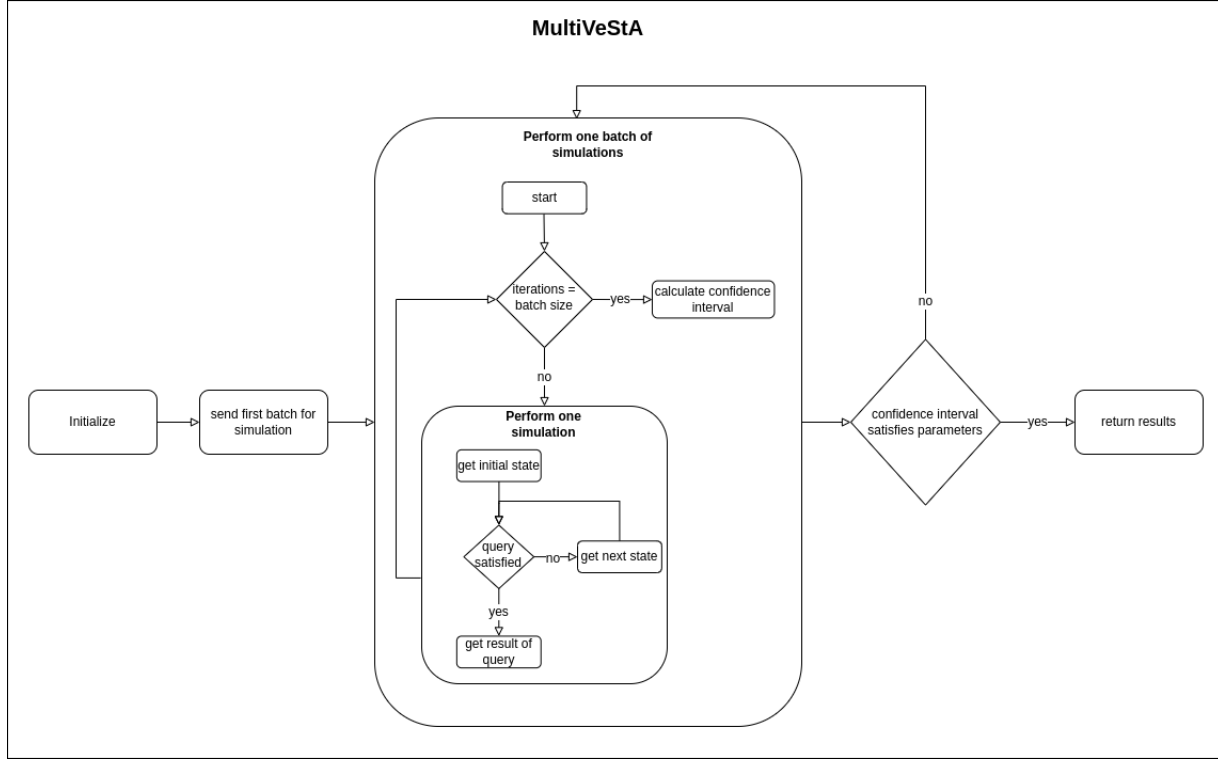


Figure 4.2: Flowchart of MultiVeStA's process

Having understood how the general process to perform simulations in MultiVeStA is done, it is necessary to define how to modify a PMAude specification to be able to run it with the tool. To do this, in the next section a general explanation will be given that illustrates how individual simulations work (sub-steps a,b and c from the step 1), and how this can be achieved including new elements into the PMAude models that is going to be verified.

## 4.2 MultiVeStA and Maude interaction

The way MultiVeStA sends and retrieves information from Maude, is through the Maude console. Initially, MultiVeStA loads the `apmaude.maude` and `model.maude` file through the Maude console. Then, MultiVeStA sends commands to the Maude console and Maude executes these commands. Finally, MultiVeStA reads these results from the Maude's console

and use them to calculate the results of the simulations. This process is captured in the following sequence diagram:

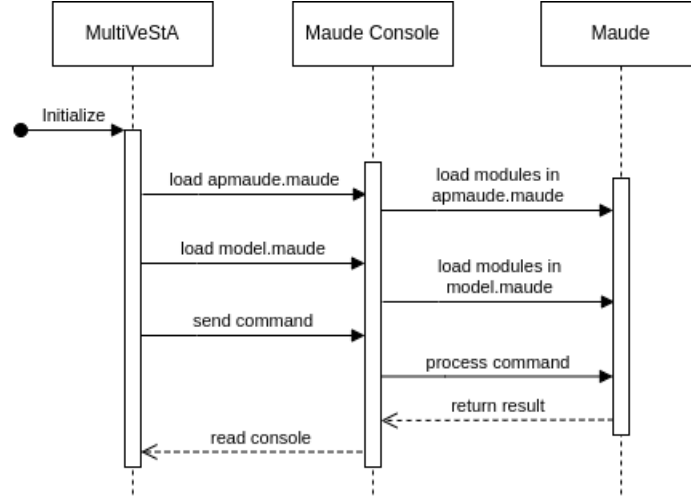


Figure 4.3: Sequence diagram of MultiVeStA and Maude interaction

In order to fully detail the process specified in Figure 4.3, it is necessary to define some preliminary operators and equations contained in `apmaude.maude` and `model.maude`. Hence, the following list contains the description of these structures and their respective definitions:

- **Scheduler:** the scheduler is a structure that contains the current number of steps or transitions in the simulation, represented as a float number, and a list of scheduler elements. In Maude it is specified as:

```
op {_|_} : Float ScheduleList -> Scheduler .
```

Each one of the scheduler elements corresponds to a pair that contains a message that identifies the next rewriting rule to be applied, and a float number that specifies in which step of the simulation the rule is going to be applied. They also contain a third value, which is a natural number that is used as a flag to drop or keep scheduler elements when inserted (this will be explained in more detail in the `insert` equation). In Maude it is defined as:

```
op [_,_,_] : Float Msg Nat -> ScheduleElem [ ctor ] .
```

```
op [_,_] : Float Msg -> ScheduleElem .
```

```
var t1 : Float .
```

```
var M1 : Msg .
```

```
eq [ t1 , M1 ] = [ t1 , M1 , 0 ] .
```



The scheduler forms part of the system states. Thus, to be able to include it in the configuration, the sort `Scheduler` is a subsort of the sort `Configuration`.

```
subsort Scheduler < Configuration .
```

The scheduler is a very important part of the simulation process, since it will be in charged of determining the next transition or rewriting rule to be applied to the model's current configuration during a simulation. Associated to the scheduler, there is an operator named `insert`, that allows to insert new elements in the scheduler list. It is defined as:

```
op insert : Scheduler ScheduleElem -> Scheduler .
op insert : ScheduleList ScheduleElem -> ScheduleList .

vars t1 t2 gt : Float .
var SL : ScheduleList .
var e : ScheduleElem .
vars M1 M2 : Msg .
var p : Nat .

eq insert({ gt | SL },e) = { gt | insert(SL,e) } .
eq insert(SL , [ t2 , M2 , 1]) = SL .
eq insert( nilSL , [ t2 , M2 , 0]) = [ t2 , M2 , 0] .
eq insert([ t1 , M1 , p] ; SL , [ t2 , M2 , 0]) =
  if t1 < t2
  then [ t1 , M1 , p] ; insert(SL, [ t2 , M2 , 0])
  else ([ t2 , M2 , 0] ; [ t1 , M1 , p] ; SL)
fi .
```

What this equation does is to take a scheduler, a scheduler element, and insert the element inside the list of the scheduler according to the float number in the scheduler elements, like a priority queue. In the end, the first element in the list is going to contain the message that specifies the next rule to be executed, since it has the smallest step. If the value of the flag is 1, then the element is not inserted, but if it is 0, then the element is inserted.

Moreover, the scheduler induces an implicit constraint over the model specified in `model.maude`: the selection of the next rule to be applied must be deterministic, in the sense that in every state of the simulation the next rule must be pre-selected, instead of the non-deterministic mechanism for choosing rules in Maude. For this reason, `model.maude` must have a rule or equation that chooses the next rule during the simulations.

- **Random Counter:** the random counter is a structure that contains a natural number, that will be used to select random numbers, similar to the `COUNTER` module

explained in section 2.6. The reason for not using the COUNTER module in MultiVeStA and using a structure that saves the value of the counter, is because during simulation MultiVeStA resets the Maude console. Therefore, if the COUNTER module is used, the value of the counter to select random numbers will always be 0. With every application of a rule, the idea is to change the number of the random counter, so the generated random numbers are different in every simulation step. In Maude, the random counter is defined as:

```
op randomCounter : Nat -> Object [ ctor ] .
```

The random counter has sort `Object` since it is also part of the system states.

- **States of the Simulation:** as defined in section 2.4, states of a Maude specification are represented with a term. In this case, the states in the simulations have sort `Configuration` and are defined as:

```
var gt : Float .
var SL : ScheduleList .
var C : Configuration .
var n : Nat .

{gt | SL} {C randomCounter(n)}
```

where  $\{gt \mid SL\}$  is a term of sort `Scheduler` and  $C$  is a term of sort `Configuration`. The curly brackets  $\{-\}$  are an operator defined as:

```
op { _ } : Configuration -> Configuration [ ctor ] .
```

$C$  represents the original states of the model without the required elements to run it with MultiVeStA, i.e the scheduler and the random counter. For instance, in the clock example from section 2.7, the term:

```
< myClock : Clock | time: Nat, battery: Float, state: State >
```

represents the configuration  $C$ . Finally, `randomCounter(n)`, as explained before, is an object that contains a natural number that will be used to generate random numbers. Additionally, there is an operator named `tick`, defined as:

```
op tick : Configuration -> Configuration .
op mytick : Scheduler -> Configuration .

vars t1 gt : Float .
var C : Configuration .
var sc : Scheduler .
var p : Nat .
var SL : ScheduleList .
```

```
var M1 : Msg .
```

```
eq tick( sc C ) = mytick(sc) C .
eq mytick({ gt | [ t1 , M1 , p] ; SL }) = M1 { t1 | SL } .
eq mytick({ gt | nilSL }) = { gt | nilSL } .
```

its main purpose is to take out the first element from the scheduler list, add the message inside the scheduler element (i.e. M1) to the current state of the simulation, and replace gt with the step inside the scheduler element (i.e. t1).

- **Initial State:** as the name suggests it, this term corresponds to the initial state of the system. It is defined as:

```
op init : -> Configuration .
op initState : -> Configuration .
eq initState = closeWorldExceptScheduler(init) [ owise ]
```

For the initial state there are two operators involved: `init` and `initState`. `init` is a constant of sort `Configuration`, that will have to be defined by the user in the `model.maude` file with the equation:

```
eq init = {0.0 | nilSL} C0 randomCounter(0) .
```

It initializes the scheduler with steps equal to 0.0 and an empty list of scheduler elements written as `nilSL`. The term `C0` is the configuration that represents the initial state of the model, and `randomCounter` starts with the value 0. `initState` corresponds to the application of the equation `closeWorldExceptScheduler` over the constant `init`. This equation is defined as:

```
op closeWorldExceptScheduler : Configuration -> Configuration .
eq closeWorldExceptScheduler(sc C) = sc { C } .
```

The equation is used to group all the objects from the configuration and isolate the scheduler. Thus, inside the curly brackets the objects will be the system state and the random counter: `{C randomCounter(n)}`.

- **Scheduler Rule:** Continuing with the observation made about the scheduler, a rule *SR* will be defined inside `model.maude`, that is in charge of selecting the next rule that is going to be applied to the current system state. For that reason, the *SR* rule must insert in the scheduler list the scheduler element that has the message that represents the rule chosen by the *SR* rule.
- **Val operator:** This operator is used to define observations over the states of the system, allowing to extract valuable information that can be then evaluated in the MultiQuaTEx query using the `s.rval()` function, explained in section 2.7. It is defined as:

```

op val : Nat Configuration -> Float .
op val : String Configuration -> Float .

```

Where the natural number and the string serve as identifiers, and the configuration represents the state where the observation is going to be made. For example, recall the state observation `s.rval("isBrk")` in the clock example from section 2.7. For MultiVeStA to be able to get the value for `s.rval("isBrk")` when evaluating the MultiQuaTEx query, the user must define in `model.maude` the corresponding equation with the `val` operator and the same identifier, in this case `"isBrk"`. The resulting equation in the `model.maude` files is:

```

var C : Configuration .
var gt : Float .
var SL : ScheduleList .
var cl : Oid .
var n : Nat .

--- returns 1.0 if the clock is broken, 0.0 if not
op isBroken : Configuration -> Float .
eq isBroken(< cl : Clock | state: broken, attrSet > C) = 1.0 .
eq isBroken(< cl : Clock | state: working, attrSet > C) = 0.0 .

--- Eval if the clock is broken
eq val("isBrk", {gt | SL} {C randomCounter(n)}) = isBroken(C) .

```

It is also important to mention, that there are two predefined state observations in MultiVeStA, which are `s.rval("steps")` and `s.rval("time")`. The former returns the number of ticks done in the simulation, and the latter returns the value `gt` of the scheduler `{gt | SL}`.

Having defined the preliminary structures used in the simulations, the complete process of a single simulation will be described in detail as a series of steps:

0. The user defines the initial state as:

```

eq init = {0.0 | nilSL} C0 randomCounter(0) .

```

and the state observations:

```

eq val("obs1", {gt | SL} {C randomCounter(n)}) = ...
eq val("obs2", {gt | SL} {C randomCounter(n)}) = ...
...
eq val("obsn", {gt | SL} {C randomCounter(n)}) = ...

```

inside `model.maude`.

1. MultiVeStA loads the `apmaude.maude` and the `model.maude` files to Maude, using the Maude console.
2. MultiVeStA sends the command `rew initState`.

(a) Maude reduces the `initState` term:

$$\text{initState} \rightarrow \{0.0 \mid \text{nilSL}\} \{C0 \text{ randomCounter}(0)\} .$$

(b) The rule *SR* chooses the next rule to be executed, represented with the message *Mi*, by inserting an element in the scheduler list. The random counter is also incremented:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \{0.0 \mid \text{nilSL}\} & \xrightarrow{SR} & \text{insert}(\{0.0 \mid \text{nilSL}\}, [gt + 1.0, Mi]) \\ \{C0 \text{ randomCounter}(0)\} & & \{C0 \text{ randomCounter}(0+1)\} \end{array}$$

(c) Maude reduces the terms:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{insert}(\{0.0 \mid \text{nilSL}\}, [0.0 + 1.0, Mi]) & \rightarrow & \{0.0 \mid [1.0, Mi]\} \\ \{C0 \text{ randomCounter}(0+1)\} & & \{C0 \text{ randomCounter}(1)\} \end{array}$$

3. MultiVeStA reads the Maude console and saves the current configuration. The saved configuration will be defined as `Conf`.
4. MultiVeStA sends the command `rew tick(conf)`.

(a) Maude reduces the term `rew tick(conf)`:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{tick}(\{gt \mid [gt', Mi]\}) & \rightarrow & Mi \{gt' \mid \text{nilSL}\} \\ \{C \text{ randomCounter}(n)\} & & \{C \text{ randomCounter}(n)\} \end{array}$$

(b) Maude rewrites the term with the rule associated with the message *Mi*, named  $R_{Mi}$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Mi \{gt' \mid \text{nilSL}\} & \xrightarrow{R_{Mi}} & \{gt' \mid \text{nilSL}\} \\ \{C \text{ randomCounter}(n)\} & & \{C' \text{ randomCounter}(n)\} \end{array}$$

In this case, the term  $C'$  represents the next state of the model after applying  $R_{Mi}$  over  $C$ .

(c) The rule *SR* chooses the next rule to be executed, represented with the message *Mj*:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \{gt' \mid \text{nilSL}\} & \xrightarrow{SR} & \text{insert}(\{gt' \mid \text{nilSL}\}, [gt' + 1.0, Mj]) \\ \{C' \text{ randomCounter}(n)\} & & \{C' \text{ randomCounter}(n+1)\} \end{array}$$

(d) Maude reduces the terms:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{insert}(\{\text{gt}' \mid \text{nilSL}\}, [\text{gt}' + 1.0, \text{Mj}]) & \rightarrow & \{\text{gt}' \mid [\text{gt}' + 1.0, \text{Mj}]\} \\ \{\text{C}' \text{ randomCounter}(\text{n}+1)\} & & \{\text{C}' \text{ randomCounter}(\text{n}+1)\} \end{array}$$

5. MultiVeStA reads the Maude console and saves the current configuration. The saved configuration will be defined as  $\text{Conf}'$ .
6. MultiVeStA evaluates the query in `query.multiquatex`, using the user defined equations for the `val` operators, to calculate the `s.rval()` state observations.
7. If the query is satisfied, then get the float number returned by the query. If not, then repeat step 4 over the previous configuration  $\text{Conf}'$ , and then steps 5 through 7, until the formula is satisfied.

The complete process can be visualized in a sequence diagram, that extends the previous one presented in figure 4.3:

## Chapter 5

# EventB2Maude and MultiVeStA Integration

# Chapter 6

## Case Studies



# Chapter 7

## Conclusions

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