

Complex resource-driven discrete-event systems under uncertainty: a new application of [automatic theorem proving]

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Abstract. The paper states a basic ideas of an approach dealing with uncertainties in models of manufacturing process of an industrial scale. The models are a complex including discrete-event systems (DES) representing the manufacturing schedule and resource-driven game description of its behavior in a competitive environment. The model object is a subject of control on various levels. Due to the large scale of the object, the control is synthesized as a result of a logical inference, either a theorem proving or forward-chaining modeling a computer simulation scenarios analysis. The uncertainties appear in the model thanks to activities of competitors or internal factors having probabilistic nature and represented as internal events or shortage of resources. The synthesized control should ensure that the system corresponds to a set of predefined constraints and/or maximizing/minimizing values of a set of characteristics.

The aim is to implement computer software platform for visual design of industrial manufacturing processes, defining their environments, internal uncertainties event generator rules, and constraints, realizing control syntheses, as well as model assessment criteria to compare the quality of various scenarios. The software could be applied to the wide range of domain problem solving in, *e.g.*, computer networks; resource allocation in computer cloud systems; automated manufacturing; air traffic control; robotic assembly lines; highly integrated command, control, communication, and information systems; control of formations of underwater unattended vehicles.

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Introduction

Control of industrial processes is on the top of scientific interest since first automation was introduced to manufacturing goods or supply utilities. The evolution of automation in the last decades was adoption of various technologies in industry to achieve

(1980s) better production quality thanks to improved management, (1990s) better processes organization (reengineering of business processes), (2000s) collaborative manufacturing and management the process between counterparties. With the invention of computers, integrated circuits and communications, information and network communication technology are closely combined with industrial process. Individual industrial and network-computational system now constitute industrial systems, which have improved overall operation efficiency and reduced consumption of raw materials. Due to the large scale of networked systems, it is difficult to realize the traditional centralized control. Therefore, the nowadays control structures of large-scale networked industrial processes is decentralized and distributed.

Such systems are subject of optimal control. Decentralized control is simpler in structure and more convenient in implementation, but it does not deal with the physical coupling between subsystems. If a distributed control deals with coupling relationship through communication between subsystems well, then the control performance is greatly improved.

Practical applications of discrete-event system (DES) representation of various technical and natural object almost always deals with consumption, production and concurrent temporal acquiring a resource. Some examples are computer networks; resource allocation in computer cloud systems; automated manufacturing; air traffic control; robotic assembly lines; highly integrated command, control, communication, and information systems, e.g., groups of underwater unattended vehicles. Uncertainties of the resource volume and the requirements are the parts of the discrete-event system model as its consumption/production cannot be modelled completely utilizing all possible factors. In this case the model becomes too complex to evaluate and simulate. One approach to account uncertainties is application of game theory to model the behaviors of competing agents (e.g. firms, teams, or individuals) under different competition and collaborative circumstances.

[[Game theory]]

Most of the research considers the game model to be controlled supervisory (“from top”), i.e., the competing opposites are supposed to be able to negotiate according to the previously synthesized Nash equilibrium. But in practice, it is not possible due to high risk of cheating and complexity arising when accounting all the players’ requirements. In this case we have to consider the system as being influenced by competitors outside, generating events), and the system reacts on these events. The aim of control is to support systems sustainability (resilience), optimizing its output characteristics. Supervisor control shifts to the level of the agent from the level of the system of competing agents. In order to account the resources, resource-driven games will be used as a notation of the competitor behavior and process representation.

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The research plan stated in this paper is aimed to investigation of the fundamental problem of development of methods for control synthesis for complex (large-scale) resource-driven discrete-event systems (DES) with uncertainties (RDDESU), which are generalizing various practical domains, including complex manufacturing processes.

The project research is directed to solving the fundamental problems of intelligent control synthesis for resource-driven DES with uncertainties on the basis of

1. development of declarative means of complex DES description in aspects of: event occurrence, state change, resource consumption/production and acquiring, competitor behavior, functioning constraints, as well as computer simulation parameter definition;
2. devising approaches to visual definition of part of the declarative model with standard modelling notation, e.g., UML, SysML, BPMN, CMMN, *etc.*
3. development of methods for building supervisors for DES of above mentioned type by means of logical inference, utilizing its descriptive means and generally modified strategies.
4. adaptation of existing logical inference approaches to support resource-driven games and corresponding data structures and operations over them.
5. devising a software for DES description and its computer simulation, supporting generation and evaluation of various scenarios.
6. development of the technique for representing near-to-the-real manufacturing processes as DES of the type.
7. specialization and testing the methods and software under development in the field of manufacturing control.

The main advantage of our approach in comparison to the popular ones is that our method will try to synthesize a control structure (an algorithm or a list of concrete events in the worst case), which will react on occurring events bringing the system in a proper state. In the same time the practical requirements imposed us to develop means for complex DES representation, namely, data structures, visual DES representation, automatic (unattended) intelligent methods and software of control synthesis.

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1 A general idea

Such type of DES represents a technical, natural and social objects (agents) in its environment of competitors, where competing agents can consume/produce or acquire/release a resource at each externally or internally generated event changing system state, a sociotechnological systems (STS). The uncertainties appear in the system thanks to activities of competitors or internal factors having probabilistic nature and represented as internal events or shortage of resources. The synthesized control should ensure that

the system corresponds to a set of predefined constraints and/or maximizing/minimizing values of system characteristics.

Conflicts in STS can be analyzed by construction of a finite chain of sequentially made possible actions (mutual impacts) of opponents [18]. This formulation of the problem is the object of game theory (GT) of modern operational research, and the object is referred to as Resource-Based Conflict (RBC), and the resources the agents own are their Resource Bases (RB). According to GT, we are to determine such sequence of actions (a strategy), which will lead to the end of the conflict (*i.e.* final resource bases of the players), which meets goals of both or at least one of the opponents, who is declared winner.

Despite widespread and commonly understood essence of the described resource-based conflicts, GT state of the art is such, that available mathematical tools, used nowadays by GT developers, are not exactly suitable for completely adequate mathematical formalization of such conflicts, because application of these tools demands explicit representation of sets of possible implementations of conflicts in a form of trees, matrices or automata. By this dimensionality of practically interest representations of RBC are so large, and time, necessary for their construction, so long, that in most cases it is very hard or even impossible to apply known GT approaches to the adequate modelling of real RBC [18].

Alternative approach, which consideration in the context of RBC may have evident reasons, have raised from the artificial intelligence area. It differs from GT by basic representation of the potential activities of the opposing sides and possible ways of application of their capabilities during conflict. This approach is called “multi-agent”, following that every STS is represented as a set of active entities, called agents, operating independently in accordance with their internal logics. Agents form multi-agent system (MAS). In comparison with modern GT models, MAS do not demand explicit representation of action of the opposing sides during conflict. It is sufficient to define implicitly logics of action of all agents, comprising MAS, and to construct the initial state of this MAS, *i.e.* set of initial states of its agents. All further behavior of the modelled STS until some final state will be explicated by MAS itself [18].

Analysis of the manufacturing process modeling domain, the primary scientific interest of LNHU³, showed that the object instances are represented as STS. The accuracy of the controlled processes represented as RDDESUs ensuring the prescribed parameters properties in the conflicting environment and internal properties causing uncertainties is the subject of their research. The existence of such control implies the existence of a manufacturing. The RDDESUs have a wide range of other applications in computer networks; resource allocation in computer cloud systems; automated manufacturing; air traffic control; robotic assembly lines; highly integrated command, control, communication, and information systems, *e.g.*, groups of underwater unattended vehicles.

2 Related works

Modeling the competitive environment is relatively new in the field of research. The environment is described as set of possible events, which can occur, the possible actions

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are the way of reacting these events [8]. In these papers the solution is designed as set of rules for reacting to the events. Reactions are constructed for both competitors and counterparties (suppliers, consumers). After that the amount of additional resources to be spent to implement the reaction is accounted. The similar technique is used to assess possible risks in startups.

Most works are not cover the organization behavior in a perspective more than a couple of possible steps. This is probably due to the complexity of the theoretical representation of such approach. In the 2000s, a new direction of application of game theories (GT) with usage of classical control methods appears, namely, Mean field games models (a recent review is [9]). The theory started to attract scientific attention after publication of J.M. Lasry and P.L. Lions (2006), and, in the same time, of P. Caines, Minyi Huang and Roland Malhamé (2007). The theory allows one to apply regular approaches of continuous mathematic to the search Nash equilibrium, resulting in less combinatorial and complex computation. But the problem state is based on the supposition that there exists infinite number of rational opposing agents to the main player. In the environment, the activity influence of an agent to player is infinitely small and, hence, the influence of the opposites are aggregated accounted and even use iteratively techniques efficiently to figure out fixed point estimates. The main application areas are modeling crowd behavior, energy GRID modeling, market price formation.

Digitization of the business processes management supply chains, namely information technology support, resulted in preferable discrete representation of the manufacturing process. Discrete-event systems and their derivatives are the mathematical abstraction widely used in representation of the manufacturing processes of all types (continuous, discrete and batch). Most attention was paid to the local processes (within a company). The influence of the competing organizations in these models are presented as uncertainties.

Predictive control is a model-based optimization control approach. The system model is used to predict the future state of the system. One of the approaches that uses system state forecasting is the receding horizon optimization strategy improving the control inputs of the system. In the paper [10], the physical coupling among subsystems are considered, and the communication network is utilized to obtain Nash equilibrium solution for the optimization of each subsystem output through repeated iteration of coupling among subsystems, with the constraints being satisfied; in that case the system performance is optimized. Based on the previous paper [?] and paper [11], authors perform the nominal stability and performance analysis, and verify the distributed predictive control algorithm on the Benchmark process (heavy oil fractionation process). The above method belong to a class of non-cooperative distributed predictive control.

When the real process is strongly coupled, the stability and control performance of the system will be greatly affected by the local performance indexes obtained by the non-cooperative distributed predictive control. Therefore, researchers put forward the cooperative distributed predictive control method. Compared with non-cooperative distributed predictive control, the former takes the global performance index of the system as a function of each subsystem's performance index, which can ensure the optimal global performance index and improve the convergence speed while considering the subsystem's performance. Liu Yubo *et al.* [12] proposed a distributed predictive control

method based on global coordination, the correlation of input and output of all associated subsystems are comprehensively considered, and verified it in Shell's heavy oil fractionator and other process. Venkat *et al.* [13] used game theory to study the optimality of a distributed predictive control, and concluded that the iterative solution has the global optimality, but the computation is complex.

Aiming at the predictive control method with limited resources, Asadi *et al.* [14] proposed the distributed coordinated predictive control method under the resource limitation, and adopted the time-division and multiple-access technology to coordinate the sub-system. Zou *et al.* [15] proposed an event-driven distributed predictive control method, which implements a asynchronous coordination for each agent (subsystem) and reduced the computation and communication burden. Li *et al.* [16] adopted the non-zero-sum game reinforcement learning method to obtain the optimal solution of each agent iteratively and each subsystem is coordinated and controlled.

In the system with structural uncertainty and parameter uncertainty, Li *et al.* [17] proposed a time-varying multi-step control rate algorithm in the distributed predictive control method, in which a "multi-step control set" is designed, and the degree of freedom of the controller is increased. For the system with the bounded change of the parameters, the performance of predictive control is further improved by combining the multi-step control method. For dealing with uncertainties of the resource allocation and the demand, all achievements focus on the production planning and scheduling stage and the existing distributed predictive control algorithm has not been involved.

2.1 Our approach novelty

The main advantage of our approach in comparison to the popular ones is that our method will try to synthesize a control structure (an algorithm or a list of concrete events in the worst case), which will react on occurring events bringing the system in a proper state. In the same time the practical requirements imposed us to develop means for complex DES representation, namely, data structures, visual DES representation, automatic (unattended) intelligent methods and software of control synthesis. Научная новизна исследований, обоснование достижимости решения поставленной задачи (задач) и возможности получения предполагаемых результатов / Scientific novelty of the research, proving the achievement of the solution and the possibility to obtain the suggested result

The proposed research is based on the complex representation of sociotechnical system as RDDESU, accounting more information for the object representation as compared to the approaches based on GT and DES, resulting in more adequate real technical systems modeling with its environment, usually competitive for resources. Currently, there are almost no publication on RDDESU due to the problem complexity related to the representation of the object (system) state, resource conversion and lock, uncertainties modeling. The present research results for resource-driven games (RDG) is presented with mathematical structures (multisets), operations over them and ways of the game definitions. All these mathematical structures are compatible with DES representations; development of data structures for representation of RDG as DES is a new problem in IT, as well as the amounts of structural and behavioral data of modelled object forces the research to use intelligent and visual technologies to represent the object

and convert its representation into data to be processed with computer simulation and control synthesis software.

Computer simulation, control synthesis are based also on novel application of the authors' automatic theorem proving methods, previously used in construction of the complexes of models, their identification, and driving the computer simulation. The authors' positively-constructed formulae approach will be extended with new techniques and modifiers of the default logical inference strategy supporting the implemented simulation techniques. So, the new calculi with special, including intuitionistic properties, will be devised. This will enrich existing techniques, which already support parallel processing; as compared to the resolutional method, the approach has less combinatorial inference search process, weak requirements of the formula structure, it is highly configurable and compatible with heuristics.

By means of classical logical approaches, implemented in contemporary Prolog interpreters, input visual model transformations will be realized. A novel object-oriented macro extension Logtalk will be used for knowledge representation as components. This representation allows one to create modularized knowledge bases applicable in applied research. The approach was tested in synthesis of information systems (IS) carcass, having UML diagrams as input and source code of IS components as output. All standard software development techniques, e.g., test-driven development, are applied for the modular knowledge development.

The practical results having novelty will be the intelligent software enabling one to describe near-to-real (system scale) manufacturing process, define the properties of the competitive environments and other parameters. The description is transformed into model and its computer simulation driven with the above mentioned logical engine. The software will allow mathematicians to construct new antiintuitive decisions on manufacturing control strategies.

3 Proposed methods and technologies

The research team will deal with the techniques of (1) definition the model structure of the RDDESU and their environments (further, just RDDESU), (2) adaptation of the standard visual notations for representation of the RDDESU, (3) construction of transformation software converting the visual representation of a RDDESU and other model aspects into a computer simulation object, (4) implementintation of control of RDDESU, (5) development of new modifiers of the default inference strategy to support computer simulation for RDDESU, (6) adaptation of three-level dynamic model of manufacturing as RDDESU, (7) implementation of scientific software for RDDESU research, (8) improving the performance of methods using cluster computing system and assessment heuristics for the scenarios and inferences.

As stated in papers, *e.g.* in ?? the uncertainties is the main point of reduction of the model ability to make precise forecast and reveal real properties of the consumer products manufacturing and service provision. In order to minimize impact of the uncertainties model must account as much information as possible, as well as the object should have the ability to adopt itself to perturbation (so-called resilience). We divide the sources of the uncertainties as external, *e.g.*, a competitive environment and inter-

nal, which arise at industry itself. The activity of an industry (as well as a service) in competitive environment usually modeled by means of various approaches of game theory. Approaches to model adaptation include the following opposites: machine learning, which is fashionable approach nowadays, and optimal control of dynamical systems, which have more complex mathematical methods in its foundation.

Computer simulation during third-level control synthesis will be implemented with Positively-Constructed Formulae (PCFs) inference engine. In ISDCT SB RAS a number of techniques of its implementation is being developed. In comparison with Prolog and its constructive notation, PCFs have intuitionistic semantics in a wider range of rule representation, non-Horn ones. The PCF language expresses logical inference as a question-answering procedure, which looks like application rules in forward-chaining inferences (CLIPS, DROOLS), but supports disjunctive branching in the consequent part, which is naturally expresses variants of system evolution in a virtual future. The resulting inferences can have intuitionistic semantic if some general constraints on the whole formula are hold. These constraints are more general, than in Prolog-like systems. Another useful features of the PCFs inference is the ability to adjust to the properties of the domain. The default complete strategy is modified by means of constraints and guides (heuristics), which are just added to the default search strategy, this does not force the user to program new one. Consider methods and approaches by each item in details.

1. A resource-driven DES with uncertainties are represented as competing agents spending/producing or acquiring/releasing resources. At manufacturing industry, resources are raw materials, commodities, services and utilities (energy, gas). The competitive environment comprises such kind of agent, which activity always affect to other agents' resource production and consumption by eliminating an amount of resource or suppressing the activity altogether that is represented as zero productivity and consumption. The activity of an agent can also produce some amount of resource at competing agent side. Mathematical representation of the resource-driven games is based on usage of multisets, where each item of a multiset is an amount of a resource representation ($\langle \text{resource-kind, amount} \rangle$). A multiset represents the set of resources owned by an agent at a time moment. A number of operators (intersection, union, addition, subtraction, transformations etc.), filters and constraints are defined to express the resource possible ways of conversion within an action. The conversion is expressed, e.g., with a grammar, where each of the grammar rule represents a conversion act. All the possible grammar inferences results in multisets of various consequences. Over these sets, similarly, operations, filters and constraints can be also defined. Filtering the resulting multisets produces various model forecasting or property evaluations. DES aspect of RDDESU is represented with "usual" means, like automaton, system of state conversion defined as function, etc. Uncertainties are expressed as possible competing agent actions and probabilistic events occurring internally in the system.

2. Real-world problems (RWP) usually have large scale as compared to theoretical testing examples. The structures of the RWP representation are complex and comprises various aspects (projections). A popular way of overcoming the complexity of object representation is usage of visual models, where various aspects are represented with corresponding visual images. In the IT field standard ways of the representation are UML, SysML, BPMN and other notations. These notations can be used for RDDESU

representation, especially SysML, which domains are description of complex systems, including software, organizations, processes etc. For each of the model notation a visual editors and export/import formats (such as XMI), usage techniques were designed. In our project we will use visual notations and their tools, with conversion of the models into internal representation.

3. In order to proceed with computer simulation and other object synthesis, the model of RDDESU must be represented as internal objects. Our project data structures represent the whole computer simulation object, which is essentially a PCF formula defining RDDESU. This object is constructed from the set of visual models using SysML diagrams (State diagrams, Parametric diagram, Requirement diagram, etc.). These models in form of XNI-files are loaded in an object-logical environment constructed as network of objects of the Logtalk language. The logical object methods synthesize output structure according to a scenario inference of subgoals. After the scenario is fulfilled the resulting object is one-to-one interpreted as the text representation of a PCF and inference strategy modifier definition language.

The usage of the logic object-oriented language Logtalk in the model transformation instead of standard ATL, QVT approaches allows one to use both power of logical inference and the expressiveness of object-oriented programming systems, as well as the integration with existing libraries in within the same programming system. For example, inheritance in a prototype hierarchy allows programmer to change rule sets, encapsulation allows simplification of access to input data, recognizing patterns in input data on-the-fly.

4. Control for RDDESU is synthesized either as supervisor, preventing occurrence of events, or as a set of trajectories of system's evolution constrained with a time interval (set of ordered time moments), where each time moment corresponds to an admissible state of the system.

For most common and convenient way to represent a DES, finite state automata, results of P. Ramage and W. Wonham are applied. Some events of automata-based DES are supposed to be prohibited from occurring to restrict system behavior within constraints given by some specification. The means of such control is the supervisor. The problem of designing a proper supervisor for fully or partially observed DES is the main problem of supervisory control theory (SCT). Controllability of specification is a crucial property which must be verified to start building a supervisor. It may be compared to the safety property of the controlled system: no uncontrolled event which is not allowed by specification may occur. In the case when the input RDDESU specification is not controllable, controllable sublanguage (subautomaton) of this specification is to be found as a new admissible specification. In the case of manufacturing modelling the sublanguage denote a set of events, which appearance can be controlled. It by itself would be an interesting result.

An opposite approach is the compensation of the event appearance consequences, forcing the system in an admissible state with spending a reserved resource. This can be achieved with a set of rules recognizing the unsatisfactory state, analyze its properties, and add new actions to the schedule to move the system to admissible states. In a general case the admissible state is defined as a set of constraints. It is very hard to construct a complete set of rules for recognition and transition synthesis for the domain, which is

under investigation. In this case, a set of actions are performed in the same time moment splitting the current scenario to a set of subscenarios (alternative virtual futures) for each possible action. After each splitting and transition set of constraints are checked. The scenarios, which do not comply the constraints are rejected. The trajectory, which reaches the modeling horizon corresponds to the synthesized control driving the system in an intermediate, but admissible state. When a bunch of alternative admissible futures were synthesized, the choice of the better one is carried on with assessing criteria, e.g., minimizing additional resource consumption. Thus, the control is synthesized by means of logic controlled computer simulation.

5. In order to implement the computer simulation on PCFs representation of RD-DESU, data structures for multisets and a default strategy modification are to be designed. We need to implement operations within construction of logical inferences. The latest version of our automatic theorem proving (ATP) software (provers) have RAM (Random Allocated Memory) allocation engines efficiently implementing indexing over the sets of terms. Filter operations for multisets are the similar structures. Items of the multisets are similar to term and atom in sense of data representation. Special subroutines will be programmed to account specific properties of multisets, their elements and relations, making multiset manipulations memory and time efficient.

The inference engine will be adjusted with new modifiers and guides to support time and RAM efficient application of operations, filters and constraints as well as representation of grammars over the multisets. The default strategy can be modified with adding each rule (a question) a priority, arranging the rules in an order of application, restricting application of a rule when a pattern is recognized, backtracking the inference in case if criteria have not met within a time interval or a number of the inference rule application, checking constraints to the indexed subsets on the stage of substitution figuring out.

6. In this project the two-level standardized model of manufacturing process will be enriched with resource-driven representation and parts simulating internal disturbances, giving rise of third level of execution dynamics. The manufacturing process naturally is being under impact of various uncertainties (perturbations) such as delay of resource supply, the equipment breakdown, temporal lack of labor, sudden production need, requiring equipment occupation on the urgent tasks, etc. These uncertainties are modeled either “in overage”, e.g., as probability to finish production in time, or an average resource loss. We suggest rectify these approaches with synthesis (on the third level) of an optimal control supervisor automata preventing some events to happen, or as a result of computer simulation in discrete time with introduction various disturbances according to a predefined policy. The control is synthesized as a sequence of actions of a trajectory holding imposed constraints in virtual time scale during an significant time period.

7. Component programming (CP) and Python programming language will be the basis of integration of the subsystems. CP allows one to construct reusable pieces of software, which can be used independently of the original development and execution context, resulting in the better maintainability of the source code. Each component have strongly defined interface definition, which is does not change within implementation versions. Component naturally used to wrap subsystems, in our case, models of manufacturing processes, automatic theorem prover, computer simulation and result visualization subsystems. The data used to interchange between subsystems are based on a

variants of XML, which allows programmer to control structure content, and Semantic WEB graphs, lists of triples <subject, relations, object>, written in the Turtle syntax, and used for representing input model data.

The following results will be obtained. (1) A resource-driven game based model of a manufacturing process accounting competitive environment of an enterprise, (2) techniques of control synthesizing minimizing deviations of the process execution due to perturbation, (3) new strategies of inference search for positively constructed formulae, (4) new formalized knowledge for model conversion and interpretation represented as objects, (5) computer simulation and visualization system implementing the above mentioned methods and techniques. The scientific novelty is justified the usage of data close to real, application of the transformational technologies in software that allow one to deal with more complex models and account more data. The theoretical results could be used to construct decision support systems for engineering manufacturing processes, assessment of the robustness of the synthesized control.

Matrosov Institute for System Dynamics and Control Theory, Siberian Branch of Russian Academy of Sciences (ISDCT SB RAS) have been organized as an institution primary dealing with differential equations, control theory (CT), artificial intelligence (AI). Since the establishment a number of schools were organized. At present the following directions, related to the topic of the research are being developed.

1. A resource-driven game like approaches are applied in distribution of the load in a heterogeneous distributed computing environment [1]. A computational process is described as an abstract program implementing within a problem-solving scheme. The scheme represents the applied modules to be run and their relationships. A multi-agent algorithm for distribution of the modules between environment nodes realizing a possible computation instance of the scheme has been developed. The resource reallocation is started as soon as an existing computation process fails. The instance plan is generated as a result of tender of jobs in a case it be run on a core class, this costs a resource. The bidding data are collected in the run time accounting various kind of failures. In comparison to the known algorithms, the proposed one implements an adaptive multi-scenario solving this issue and therefore increases a degree of computational process fault-tolerance. The further direction of the study is related to using this algorithm in complex technical systems with decentralized group control of problem-solving processes in the conditions of conflict and cooperation.

2. Since 2001 an AI direction devoted to development an instrumental software for information systems (IS) carcass synthesis. The synthesis is implementing one of methods (Teugu) of generative programming, transformation of models. Source models are UML, SysML, CMMN, BPMN2.0 representing various aspects of IS. The standard XMI representation is transformed into set of triples <subject, predicate, object> as an internal representation [2]. This transformation supplies uniform access to all model structures of all models simultaneously. The approach tested on constructing information system, consisting more than 100 classes (including abstract ones). The transformation resulted in an information system carcass comprising database layer, object-relation layer, application layer, user interface elements, importing templates and routines, objects for report generation; totally 19 various aspects were generated.

3. Transformation software is constructed as logical objects [3]. The objects are represented in the Logtalk programming language. Objects analyze structure of models and other objects generating intermediate structures representing the structure of modules to be generated as source code. The transformation obeys a scenario of IS construction in the image and likeness of Model Driven Architecture paradigm. Usage of such kind of transformation approach allows us to develop software system carcasses on the level of abstract models, involve various sources of model data in the transformation, define and structuring conversion knowledge as objects. The approach was tested in representation of 144 Mothur modules (an applied package for genetic sequencing analysis) as dataflow block of Rapidminer studio, allowing natural scientists to operate the process of genetic investigations themselves. The technique will be used to construct transformation of SysML representation of RDDESU into an internal representation.

4. Discrete-event systems (DES) is a wide class of behavior representation of a dynamical systems changing state at a discrete time moments thanks to event occurring. In this direction, last decade we obtained results on decentralized hierarchical control synthesis for groups of autonomous underwater vehicles [4]. The number of the trajectories can be constructed, e.g., movement of the group in a conserved formation along a prescribed trajectory, patrolling a water area with gateways. The control is synthesized accounting the uncertainties of the environment, non-ideal functioning the communication and measurement equipment, discretization of the measurement (sampling) and constraints imposed to control resources.

5. Method of positively constructed formulas (PCFs) is being developed and adopted to various domains. In RSF Project 16-11-00053 a logical programming like language grammar for PCFs was developed to describe team missions of robots [5]. The language contains special system predicates and so-called computational function (functions, which are substituted as its calculated value instead its expression), allowing one to control default inference strategy and construct resulting terms. The forward-chaining inference of the PCFs calculus is being adapted to real time computational systems. The system constructs the inference till dead time is reached. If the inference corresponds a set of criteria, it is considered as successful. If a set of inferences are obtained, they are analyzed and the better is chosen. Other original features of PCFs are investigated and adapted in solutions of the technical problems.

Modular supervisors for DSS have been constructed for control of on a top level and AUV (autonomous underwater vehicles) group with automatic theorem proving on the bases of PCFs. An inference result of theorems represented with PCFs with subformulas corresponding to the controlled system and the requirements, which are to be hold, a conclusion is being drawn on the possibility to construct a corresponding supervisor control, or, in case of the impossibility of inference construction, a set of the system parameters are given, which prevent the inference. The obtained data is useful as heuristic for reduction of the number subsystem combinations needed in the modular supervisor synthesis.

6. Chinese colleagues already have certain foundation on the control synthesis, modeling and optimization of production scheduling and planning, description and management method for uncertainties occurring in production process. For a concrete manufacturing process, techniques for formulation of the production scheduling model, and deal

with the internal uncertain factors of manufacturing process based on the chance constraint programming and fuzzy theory [6] have been developed. For the typical concrete manufacturing process with multivariate, strong coupling, large time delay and multi-time scale, a set of systematic and practical optimization and control scheme is proposed by the two-layer way, in which the upper layer adopts the set-point optimization method with the slow sampling time and the down layer adopts the distributed predictive control with the fast sampling time. In view of this, some factors such as the change of the raw material, the life and drop of the total load, external environment and the associated coupling among the sub-systems that influence the control quality of the system in industrial control can be overcome, the control performance can be improved, the product quality and economic benefit can be increased.

7. ISDCT SB RAS team has great deal of experience in constructing complex programming systems by combining various software components and modules. For example, a decision support systems (DSS) has been constructed for forest resources rational consumption DSS was implemented. The decisions are the set of three scenarios of a forest harvesting control, fire prevention, finances spent to insect control, etc. corresponding a set of qualitative and quantitative constraints. The scenarios were calculated with model of the forest dynamics. The model is constructed by a Prolog inference machine with respect to the information describing the forest resources condition. Another example of DSS is system for generation of routine maintenance of petroleum equipment on the base of its structure analysis and modeling of kinetics and dynamics of material destruction. For knowledge bases development support by a domain specialist, a visual domain definition software has been developed. The software realizes whole set of models of Model-Driven Architecture in the design process: from Computationally-Independend model of a domain of a technical system to the CLIPS and OWL2 sources of the knowledge base generation.

4 Discussion

Expected results and their practical values are expected to be as follows:

1. A technique for representation of various aspects of resource-driven Discrete-event system with uncertainties as a complex of models will be developed, data structures for representation of the complex will be proposed.
2. For a visual representation of the aspects, a corresponding standard visual representation (*e.g.* within UML, SysML *etc.* paradigms) and its editing software will be adopted, and a usage technique will be proposed.
3. A software for (a) transformation of the visual models to the internal representation will be realized as structured logical objects, encapsulating transformational knowledge and algorithms; (b) methods of building supervisors for the DES will be developed based on the use of means of automatic proof of theorems in PCF-calculus (calculus of positively-constructed formulas).
4. The authors' technique of constructive inferences constructions on the base of positively-constructed formulas (PCFs) will be improved to support data object structures (multisets) and operations over them as first class objects, being subject of the inference, as well as new modifications of the default strategy of the inference search

will be obtained, making the inference be more productive; a parallel versions of new strategy will be devised for cluster computing systems.

5. Methods, developed in the project will be organized as a modular software for carrying on scientific research (scenario generation, computer simulation and criteria assessment) in the field of DES of the above mentioned type, intelligent user interfaces for process control will be devised, as well as various means of the result representations.
6. For application aspect of the research, techniques of the near-to-real manufacturing process formulation as complex of visual models will be developed, examples of the formulation will be presented and their control synthesized.
7. An extensive testing of the synthesized control on testing and near-to-real examples will be carried out to assess the performance and other characteristics with the competing approaches. The expected results discover new opportunities for rising level of commodities manufacturing control, as well as service. The project expands the theoretical knowledge in DES, game theory, automatic theorem proving, constraint programming, which are the fields of artificial intelligence, as well as manufacturing modeling. The produced software could be used to construct CAE/CAM (Computer-aided engineering/Computer-aided manufacturing) systems for concrete enterprises.

In parallel the following investigations will be carried on in LNHU. The work is related to the adaptation the Resource-driven DES with uncertainties approach to the real-world classes of manufacturing process. The colleagues will perform the following activities to obtain corresponding results.

1. Research of resource-driven multi-objective optimization method Based on the resource-driven game model, a new efficient method for obtaining the optimal set point (the optimal solution) and the coordinating multi-objective strategy will be developed.
2. Research of distributed predictive control for resource-driven discrete-event systems under uncertainty with regards of industrial scale and complexity.
3. The establishment of visualization model of typical industrial process of ethylene and polypropylene production.
4. Application of the proposed control algorithm of resource-driven discrete-event system to typical petrochemical processes accounting the uncertainties.

Conclusion

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