

Concurrent System Design

Introduction to FSP/LTSA

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FSP constructs: their syntax and meaning

Definition (process)

`PROCESS = (action -> PROCESS).`

Example (A human heart)

`HEART = (beat -> HEART).`

Excercise

Define the HEART process in LTSA.

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Definition (action choice)

$$\text{PROCESS} = \begin{array}{l} (\text{action}_1 \rightarrow \text{PROCESS}_1 \\ | \dots \\ | \text{action}_n \rightarrow \text{PROCESS}_n) . \end{array}$$

Example (A “more accurate” human heart)

$$\text{HEART} = \begin{array}{l} (\text{beat} \rightarrow \text{HEART} \\ | \text{stop} \rightarrow \text{HEART}) . \end{array}$$

Excercise

Define the HEART process in LTSA.

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Definition (relabeling and hiding)

```
PROCESS =  ( action -> PROCESS )  
           | ...  
           | actionn -> PROCESSn )  
           /{ new_label/old_label }  
           \{ label_to_hide }.
```

Example (An even more accurate human heart)

```
HEART =  ( beat -> HEART  
          | stop -> STOP )  
          /{ die/stop }  
          \{ die }.
```

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Definition (action indexing and process parameters)

```
PROCESS = ( action[i:0..N] -> PROCESS[i] ).
```

Example

```
HEART = ( beat -> HEART
         | fail[i:0..N] -> HEART_FAILURE[ i ]
         | stop -> STOP )
    /{ die/stop }
    \{ die }.
```

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Definition (action guards)

```
PROCESS = ( when condition action -> PROCESS ).
```

Example

```
HEART_FAILURE[i: 0..N] = (  
  when i <= 1 becalm -> HEART  
  when i > 1 worry -> HEART_FAILURE[ i ] ).
```

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Definition (process composition)

$$||\text{COMPOSED} = (\text{PROCESS}_1 \ || \ \dots \ || \ \text{PROCESS}_n).$$

Example

$$||\text{PATIENT} = (\text{HEART} \ || \ \text{PACEMAKER}).$$

Synchronization is carried via action relabeling.

Summary:

- Overview of some FSP constructs
 - ▶ Process definition.
 - ▶ Action prefixing.
 - ▶ Action choice.
 - ▶ Action relabeling and hiding.
 - ▶ Action and process indexing.
 - ▶ Action guards.
 - ▶ Process composition.
 - ▶ Process synchronization.

Questions/Comments ?

Where to get LTSA

<http://www.doc.ic.ac.uk/ltsa/>

Bibliography



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