

EECS4312 Isolette Assignment

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Requirements Document:

Temperature control for an Isolette

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1. System Overview

The System Under Development (SUD) is a computer controller for the thermostat of an Isolette.¹ An Isolette is an incubator for for an infant that provides controlled temperature, humidity and oxygen (Fig. 1). Isolettes are used extensively in Neonatal Intensive Care Units for the care of premature infants.

This requirements document is specifically for the control of temperature. The purpose of the Isolette computer controller is to maintain the air temperature of an Isolette within a desired range. It senses the current temperature of the Isolette and turns the heat source on and off to warm the air as needed. If the temperature falls too far below or rises too far above the desired temperature range, it activates an alarm to alert the nurse. The system allows the nurse to set the desired temperature range and to set the alarm temperature range outside the desired temperature range of which the alarm should be activated. This requirements documents follows the specification in [?] (Appendix A) except where noted.



Figure 1: Isolette

Many babies have died due to faulty incubators. There is thus a standard that manufacturers must satisfy. Modern incubators are equipped with alarms for air temperature, skin temperature, oxygen concentration and humidity. The alarms are both visual such

¹The image in Fig 1 is from: www.nufer-medical.ch.

as red warning lamps, and audio such as beep signals. Once measured values exceed permitted limits as well as when faults occur in sensors. For one such incident leading to death see “Medical Devices: Use and Safety” shown in Fig. 2.

CASE 6:2 Baby dies through overheating in incubator

An underdeveloped baby was being treated in an incubator with skin temperature control. When the baby was being washed, the skin sensor was removed and left hanging outside the incubator after the washing. Thus the sensor started measuring the room temperature (approx. 25°C). The control circuits therefore increased the heat to maximum level, and the temperature in the incubator rose to more than 45°C. The baby died.

For increased safety, incubators must be constructed with an extra control circuit that prevents overheating in case the skin sensor is misplaced. The incubator in question was indeed equipped with such a safety circuit, but the circuit was defective.

Figure 2: Incubator Safety Problems [?, p98]

2. Goals

The high-level goals (G) of the system are:

- G1—The Infant should be kept at a safe and comfortable temperature.
- G2—The Nurse should be warned if the Infant becomes too hot or too cold.
- G3—The cost of manufacturing the computer controller for the thermostat should be as low as possible.

3. Context Diagram

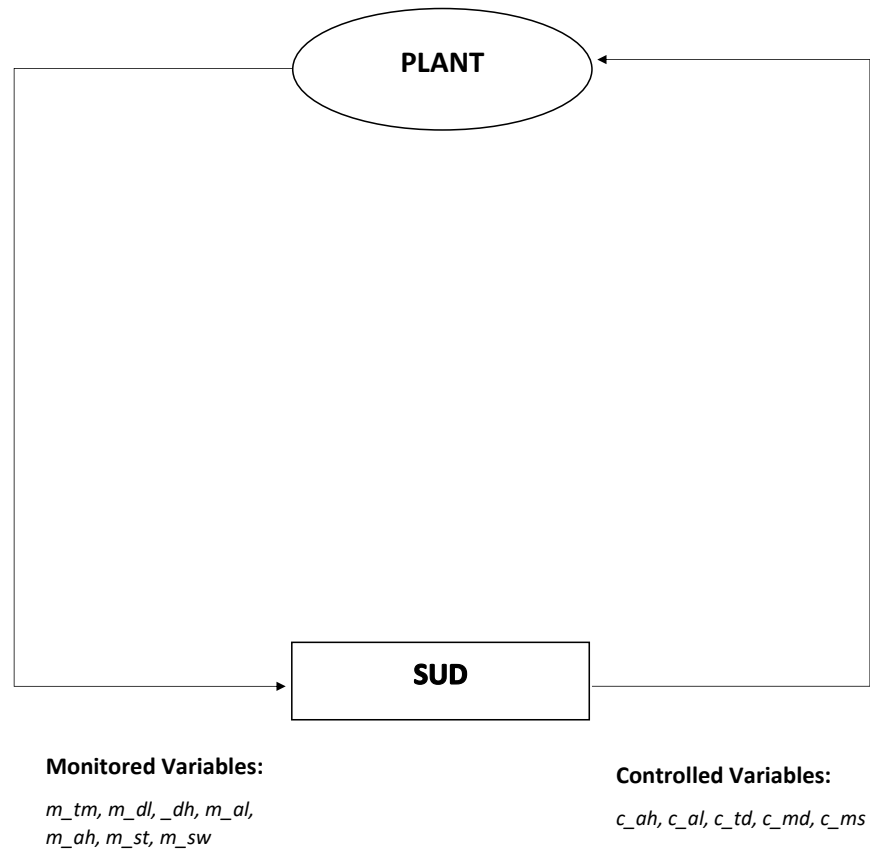


Figure 3: Context diagram for the SUD

4. Monitored Variables

The monitored variables are a subset of those described in [?].² There is a single status variable m_st that is *invalid* whenever any one of the operator inputs or temperature sensor are in a failed state. Otherwise types and ranges are as in [?].

Name	Type	Range	Units	Physical Interpretation
m_tm	\mathbb{R}	68 .. 105	°F	actual temperature of Isolette air temperature from sensor
m_dl	\mathbb{Z}	97 .. 99	°F	desired lower temperature set by operator
m_dh	\mathbb{Z}	98 .. 100	°F	desired higher temperature set by operator
m_al	\mathbb{Z}	93 .. 98	°F	lower alarm temperature set by operator
m_ah	\mathbb{Z}	99 .. 103	°F	higher alarm temperature set by operator
m_st	Enumerated	{valid, invalid}		status of sensor and operator settings
m_sw	Enumerated	{on, off}		switch set by operator

Table 1: Monitored Variables

²With some change of nomenclature. Monitored variables have an “m” prefix.

5. Controlled Variables

The controlled variables are a subset of those described in [?].³ In addition, there is a mode display c_md and a message display c_ms .⁴

Name	Type	Range	Units	Physical Interpretation
c_hc	Enumerated	{on, off}		heat control: command to turn heat source on or off
c_td	\mathbb{Z}	$\{0\} \cup \{68 \dots 105\}$	$^{\circ}\text{F}$	displayed temperature of Isolette (zero when Isolette is off)
c_al	Enumerated	{off, on}		sound alarm to call nurse
c_md	Enumerated	{off, init, normal, failed}		mode of Isolette operation (failed if $m_st = invalid$)
c_ms	Enumerated	{ok, too_hot_alarm, too_cool_alarm, warming_up, cooling_down, system_error}		messages to display to nurse

Table 2: Controlled Variables

³With some change of nomenclature. Controlled variables have a “c” prefix.

⁴The mode “off” is added to that of Fig. A-4 in [?], and the mode transitions have been changed.

6. Mode Diagram

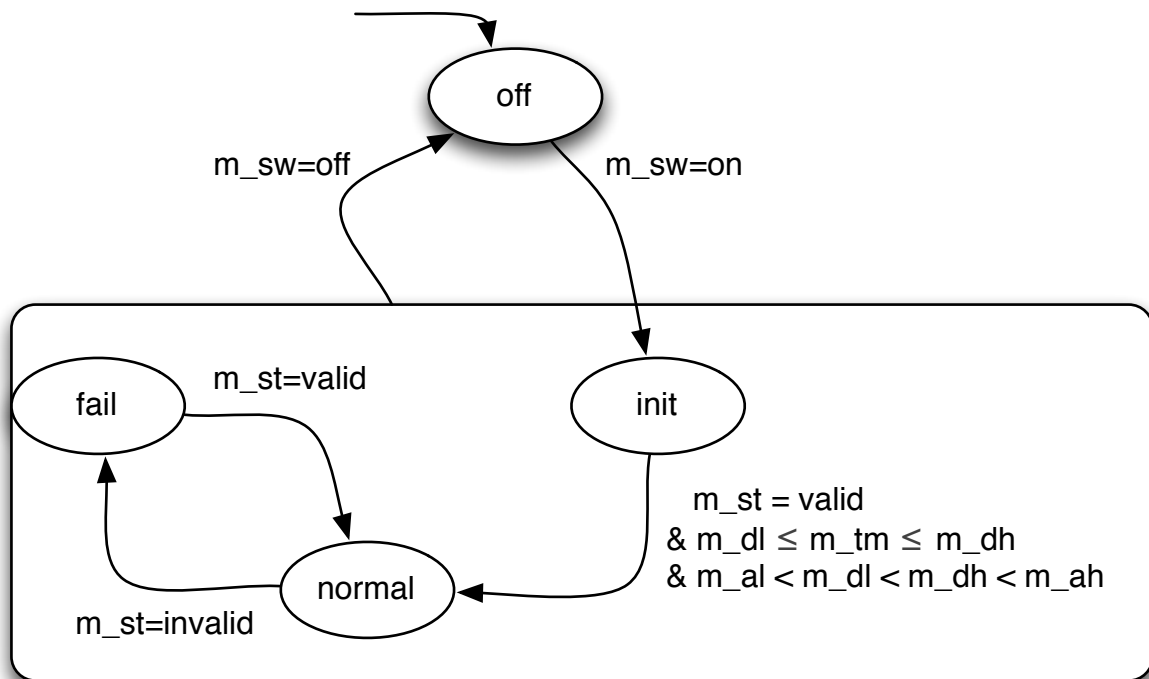


Figure 4: Mode diagram for the states

Rationale: A mode diagram denotes the possible states the system can be in. They are *abstract* variables whose output are visible to the client, in this case the nurse. In a particular state, the *guard* condition has to be satisfied in order for the mode to change.

7. R-Descriptions

We have already elicited the following R-descriptions.

REQ1	The <i>controller</i> shall operate in one of four modes: <i>off</i> , <i>init</i> , <i>normal</i> and <i>fail</i> .	See statechart in Fig. ??.
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REQ2	In the <i>normal</i> mode, the temperature controller shall maintain current temperature inside the Isolette within a set temperature range (the <i>desired</i> range).	The <i>desired</i> temperature range is $m_dl \dots m_dh$. If the current temperature m_tm is outside this range, the controller shall turn the heater on or off via the controlled variable m_hc to maintain the desired state.
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Rationale: The *desired temperature range* will be set by the nurse to the desired range based on the infant's weight and health. The controller shall maintain the current temperature within this range under normal operation.

The following relevant hazard was identified through the safety assessment process:

- **H1:** Prolonged exposure of Infant to unsafe heat or cold;
- *Classification:* catastrophic;
- *Probability:* $< 10^{-9}$ per hour of operation.

To ensure that probability of hazard H1 is 10^{-9} per hour of operation, the following derived safety requirement shall apply to the Isolette controller:

REQ3	<p>In <i>normal</i> mode, the controller shall activate an alarm whenever</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the current temperature falls outside the <i>alarm</i> temperature range (either through temperature fluctuation or a change in the alarm range by an operator), or a failure is signalled in any of the input devices (temperature sensor and operator settings). 	<p>The alarm temperature range is <i>m_al..m_ah</i>. Monitored variable <i>m_st</i> shows “invalid” when any of the input signals fail.</p>
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REQ4	<p>Once the alarm is activated, it becomes deactivated in one of two ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The nurse turns off the Isolette; The alarm has lasted for 10 seconds, and after 10 seconds or more the alarm conditions are removed. 	<p>Refer to the relevant tables of monitored and/or controlled variables and function tables.</p>
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On the next page, you must add the next three most important R-Descriptions. Provide a brief rationale for each R-Description. Include any remaining R-Descriptions in an appendix to this document.

Additional three R-Descriptions with brief rational (one page)

8. E-descriptions

The following are the environmental assumption made on the Isolette System:

ENV1	The current temperature received from the sensor is a real number in the range 68.0 to 105.0°F.	The monitored variable <i>m_tm</i> in Table 1 specifies the range, type and unit for the Current Temperature received from the sensor.
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Rationale: This is the specified range of operation of the Isolette. The lower end of this range is useful for monitoring an Isolette that is warming to the Desired Temperature Range. The upper end is set to be greater than the Higher Alarm Temperature.

ENV2	The desired and alarm temperatures received from the operator are all in increments of 1°F.	The monitored variables <i>m_tm</i> , <i>m_dl</i> , <i>m_dh</i> , <i>m_al</i> and <i>m_ah</i> set in an increment of 1°F. Refer to table 1 to see details about the monitored inputs.
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Rationale: Marketing studies have shown that customers prefer to set temperatures in 1 degree increments. A resolution 1F is sufficient to be consistent with the functionality and performance for the Isolette.

ENV3	The Lower Alarm Temperature will always be $\geq 93^{\circ}\text{F}$.	The monitored variables <i>m_al</i> denotes the Lower Alarm Temperature. Table 1 specifies the range, type and unit for the Lower Alarm Temperature set by the Nurse.
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Rationale: Exposure to temperatures less than 93°F will result in hypothermia, which can lead to death within a few minutes for severely ill pre-term infants.

ENV4	The Higher Alarm Temperature will always be $\leq 103^{\circ}\text{F}$.	The monitored variables m_{ah} denotes the Higher Alarm Temperature. Table 1 specifies the range, type and unit for the Higher Alarm Temperature set by the Nurse.
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Rationale: Exposure to temperatures greater than 103°F will result in hyperthermia, which can lead to cardiac arrhythmias and febrile seizures within a few minutes.

ENV5	The Lower Desired Temperature will always be $\geq 97^{\circ}\text{F}$.	The monitored variables m_{dh} denotes the Lower Desired Temperature. Table 1 specifies the range, type and unit for the Lower Desired Temperature set by the Nurse.
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Rationale: Exposing the Infant to temperatures lower than 97°F may result in excessive heat loss and drop in heart rate secondary to metabolic acidosis.

9. Abstract variables needed for the Function Table

No abstract variables were used for the function tables.

10. Function Tables

Starting on the next page, provide one function table for each control variable (in Table 2). Each control variable should have its own sub-section heading and its own page.

10.1. Function Table for heat control: c_hc

Function table goes here on this page. Other function tables each on their own page

11. Validation

To be Done. Proof of completeness and disjointness and validation of the requirements using PVS.

Include the PVS sources in the appendix to this document but summarize the proofs here.

12. Use Cases

See Section A2 of [?] for some use cases. The use cases need to be adapted to the revised descriptions of the previous sections of this document. Provide one Use Case (a) informally and (b) formally in PVS.

13. Acceptance Tests

In this section, the use cases have to be converted into precise acceptance tests (using the function table to describe pre/post conditions) to be run when the design and implementation are complete. Describe one acceptance test

14. Traceability

Matrix to show which acceptance tests passed, and which R-descriptions they checked. No need to do this for this assignment.

15. Glossary

The definition of important terms is placed in this section. You are not required to complete this.

A. Appendix Title??

Appendix goes here. PVS sample below. Format so that there is no line wrapping

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alert: THEORY  
BEGIN  
  delta: posreal = 0.5 % TR = 0.5 seconds  
  IMPORTING Time[delta]  
  
  p:      [DTIME -> real]  % Pressure  
  alarm: [DTIME -> bool]  
  
  hi: real  
END
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