

Task 1: Create algebraic specification of a control system for autonomous cars

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fmod CORE-TYPES is
  protecting STRING .

  sorts SensorData Object Action State Component PriorityQueue .

  subsort PriorityQueue < Action .

  ops GPS Camera Radar Lidar TrafficSignal SpeedLimit : -> SensorData .
  ops Lane Obstacle Vehicle Pedestrian GreenLight RedLight StopSign Collision :
-> Object .
  ops KeepSpeed Accelerate Decelerate Stop TurnLeft TurnRight AdjustSpeed
Override : -> Action .
  ops EmergencyBrake HandleCollision CombinedAction : -> Action .
  ops Active Manual Emergency : -> State .
  ops engine brake wheels lights : -> Component .
endfm

fmod PROCESSING is
  protecting CORE-TYPES .

  op process : SensorData -> Object .
  op prioritize : Object Object -> Object .

  vars O1 O2 : Object .

  eq process(GPS) = Lane .
  eq process(Camera) = Pedestrian .
  eq process(Radar) = Vehicle .
  eq process(Lidar) = Obstacle .
  eq process(TrafficSignal) = RedLight .
  eq process(SpeedLimit) = Lane .

  eq prioritize(O1, O2) =
    if O1 == Pedestrian or O1 == Obstacle
    then O1
    else O2
    fi .
endfm

fmod DECISION is
  protecting CORE-TYPES .

  op decide : Object State -> String .

  vars O1 : Object .
  vars S : State .

  eq decide(O1, Active) =
    if O1 == Pedestrian
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    then "Car is stopping due to pedestrian detection."
    else if O1 == Obstacle
        then "Emergency brake activated due to obstacle."
        else if O1 == RedLight
            then "Car is stopping at the red light."
            else "Car is maintaining speed."
        fi
    fi
fi .

eq decide(O1, Emergency) =
    if O1 == Collision
        then "Car is handling a collision."
        else "Emergency brake activated."
    fi .

eq decide(O1, Manual) = "Driver override: manual control enabled." .
endfm

fmod EXECUTION is
    protecting CORE-TYPES .

    op execute : PriorityQueue Component -> String .
    op reportState : String -> String .

    vars A : Action .
    vars C : Component .
    var Msg : String .

    eq execute(A, C) =
        if A == Stop and C == brake
            then "Car is stopping using brakes."
        else if A == EmergencyBrake and C == brake
            then "Emergency brake applied."
        else if A == KeepSpeed and C == engine
            then "Maintaining current speed."
        else if A == TurnLeft and C == wheels
            then "Turning left using wheels."
        else if A == HandleCollision and C == lights
            then "Activating hazard lights for collision."
        else if A == Stop and C == engine
            then "Car has shut off."
            else reportState("Invalid action-component
combination.")
        fi
    fi
fi .

eq reportState(Msg) = "Error: " + Msg .
endfm

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fmod COMBINE is
  protecting CORE-TYPES .

  op combine : PriorityQueue PriorityQueue -> PriorityQueue .

  vars A B : Action .

  eq combine(A, B) =
    if A == Stop or B == Stop
    then Stop
    else if A == EmergencyBrake or B == EmergencyBrake
    then EmergencyBrake
    else A
    fi
  fi .
endfm

fmod TEST is
  protecting PROCESSING .
  protecting DECISION .
  protecting EXECUTION .
  protecting COMBINE .

  op testObject : -> Object .
  op testState : -> State .

  eq testObject = RedLight .
  eq testState = Active .

  op testProcess : -> Object .
  eq testProcess = process(GPS) .

  op testDecide : -> String .
  eq testDecide = decide(testObject, testState) .

  op testDecideObstacle : -> String .
  eq testDecideObstacle = decide(Obstacle, Active) .

  op testExecuteBrake : -> String .
  eq testExecuteBrake = execute(Stop, brake) .

  op testCombine : -> PriorityQueue .
  eq testCombine = combine(Stop, Accelerate) .
endfm

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Task 2: Document the solution

Key Decisions

1. Modular Design:

- The system is divided into modules (**CORE-TYPES**, **PROCESSING**, **DECISION**, **EXECUTION**, **COMBINE**, and **TEST**) to ensure maintainability, scalability, and clarity.

2. State-Aware Decisions:

- The **decide** operation tailors responses based on the car's state (**Active**, **Emergency**, **Manual**) for appropriate action in various scenarios.

3. Action Prioritization:

- The **combine** operation ensures safety-critical actions like **Stop** or **EmergencyBrake** override others like **Accelerate**.

4. Traceable Execution:

- The **execute** operation provides descriptive outputs (Example: "**Car is stopping using brakes.**") to enhance traceability and debugging.

5. Error Handling:

- Invalid action-component combinations are reported explicitly using **reportState**.

High-Level Design

1. CORE-TYPES:

- Defines foundational data types (**SensorData**, **Object**, **Action**, **State**, **Component**) used across the system.

2. PROCESSING:

- **process**: Translates sensor data (e.g., **GPS**, **Camera**) into actionable objects like **Lane** or **Pedestrian**.

3. DECISION:

- **decide**: Determines the car's action based on detected objects and the state, returning descriptive strings.

4. EXECUTION:

- **execute**: Links actions to components and outputs feedback.

5. COMBINE:

- **combine**: Merges multiple actions, ensuring safety-critical ones take precedence.

6. TEST:

- Provides test cases to validate the system's functionality, including:

- **process**: Ensures correct object translation.
 - **decide**: Verifies decision-making for specific states.
 - **execute**: Tests proper action execution.
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Task 3: Prepare some test cases (scenarios, inputs)

1. **testObject** and **testState**

Represents the initial inputs to the system.

Description

- **testObject** is set to **RedLight**, simulating a traffic signal detection.
- **testState** is set to **Active**, representing the car's current state.

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Maude> red testObject .
reduce in TEST : testObject .
rewrites: 1 in 0ms cpu (0ms real) (~ rewrites/second)
result Object: RedLight

Maude> red testState .
reduce in TEST : testState .
rewrites: 1 in 0ms cpu (0ms real) (~ rewrites/second)
result State: Active
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- **testObject** provides the object being processed (**RedLight**).
- **testState** provides the car's state (**Active**).

2. **testProcess**

Validates the **process** operation for sensor data.

- Processes **GPS** data and translates it into an object.

```
Maude> red testProcess .
reduce in TEST : testProcess .
rewrites: 2 in 0ms cpu (0ms real) (~ rewrites/second)
result Object: Lane
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- **GPS** data is interpreted as detecting a **Lane**.

3. **testDecide**

Validates the **decide** operation for decision-making based on objects and state.

- Determines the car's action based on **testObject** (**RedLight**) and **testState** (**Active**).
- The car's action based on **object** (**Pedestrian**) and **state** (**Active**).

```
Maude> red testDecide .
reduce in TEST : testDecide .
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rewrites: 10 in 0ms cpu (0ms real) (~ rewrites/second)
result String: "Car is stopping at the red light."
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```
Maude> red decide(Pedestrian, Active) .
reduce in TEST : decide(Pedestrian, Active) .
rewrites: 3 in 0ms cpu (0ms real) (~ rewrites/second)
result String: "Car is stopping due to pedestrian detection."
```

- The car stops upon detecting the **RedLight** in the **Active** state.
- The car stops when detecting the **Pedestrian** in the **Active** state.

4. **testDecideObstacle**

Tests the car's decision when encountering an obstacle

- Evaluates the decision-making logic when the **object** is **Obstacle** and the **state** is **Active**.

```
Maude> red testDecideObstacle .
reduce in TEST : testDecideObstacle .
rewrites: 6 in 0ms cpu (0ms real) (~ rewrites/second)
result String: "Emergency brake activated due to obstacle."
```

- The car applied Emergency brake to avoid **Obstacle**.

5. **testExecuteBrake**

Verifies the **execute** operation for stopping the car.

- Executes the Stop action using the brake component.

```
Maude> red testExecuteBrake .
reduce in TEST : testExecuteBrake .
rewrites: 6 in 0ms cpu (0ms real) (~ rewrites/second)
result String: "Car is stopping using brakes."
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- The car stops using its brake.

6. **testCombine**

Validates the combination of two actions using **combine**.

- Combine the action **Stop** and **Accelerate**.

```
Maude> red testCombine .
reduce in TEST : testCombine .
rewrites: 9 in 0ms cpu (0ms real) (~ rewrites/second)
result Action: Stop
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- The **Stop** action takes priority over **Accelerate**.

7. Test Case Summary

Test Case	Operation	Inputs	Expected Output
testObject	N/A	N/A	RedLight
testState	N/A	N/A	Active
testProcess	process	GPS	Lane
testDecide	decide	RedLight, Active	"Car is stopping at the red light."
decide	decide	Pedesritan, Active	"Car is stopping due to pedestrian detection."
testDecideObstacle	decide	Obstacle, Active	"Emergency brake activated due to obstacle."
testExecuteBrake	execute	Stop, brake	"Car is stopping using brakes."
testCombine	combine	Stop, Accelerate	Stop

Task 4: Evaluation of the Autonomous Car System

1. Level of Abstraction

- **Details Ignored:** Internal sensor operations, environmental factors (e.g., weather, road conditions), and physical mechanics (e.g., brake force).
- **Strength:** Focuses on decision-making and execution without unnecessary complexity.
- **Limitation:** Cannot simulate real-world imperfections or failures.

2. Level of Approximation

- **Over-Specification:** Ensures safety with strict prioritization of critical actions (e.g., Stop, EmergencyBrake).
- **Under-Specification:** Assumes perfect sensor data, lacks handling of conflicting or missing inputs.
- **Balance:** Skews towards safety by being more restrictive.

3. Ambiguity vs. Precision

- **Precision:** Operations (process, decide, execute) and priorities are explicitly defined, ensuring clarity.
- **Ambiguity:** Undefined behaviors for sensor failures or conflicting inputs.
- **Assessment:** High precision within scope but ambiguous for unhandled edge cases.

4. Completeness

- **Coverage:** Covers core scenarios (e.g., stopping for pedestrians, responding to obstacles).
 - **Missing:** Handling sensor failures, environmental factors, and equally critical actions.
 - **Assessment:** Functionally complete for its scope but not exhaustive for real-world complexities.
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Task 5: Opinion about the modeling language, tool, and the whole approach (methodology) based on your personal experience

1. Modeling Language (Maude)

- **Strengths:** Highly expressive, modular, and supports executable specifications for testing.
- **Limitations:** Steep learning curve and cryptic error messages make debugging challenging.

2. Tool (Maude Interpreter)

- **Strengths:** Efficient for prototyping and rule-based rewriting.
- **Limitations:** Lacks IDE support (e.g., syntax highlighting, visualization) and can be hard to debug large models.

3. Methodology

- **Strengths:** Ensures precision, modularity, and rigorous validation for safety-critical systems.
- **Limitations:** Models can become complex, and adoption is limited by the expertise required.

4. Practical Use

- **Feasibility:** Practical for safety-critical systems with proper IDE support; otherwise, limited to niche or academic projects.
- **Scenarios:** Validating complex designs, ensuring requirement consistency, and precise system documentation.