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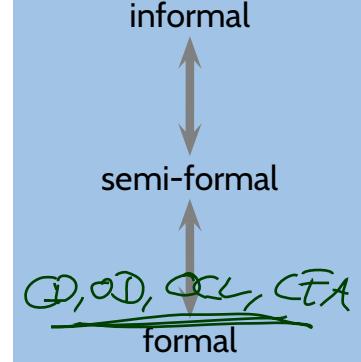
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  - operational semantics.

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- **Deadlock, Reachability**

- **Uppaal**

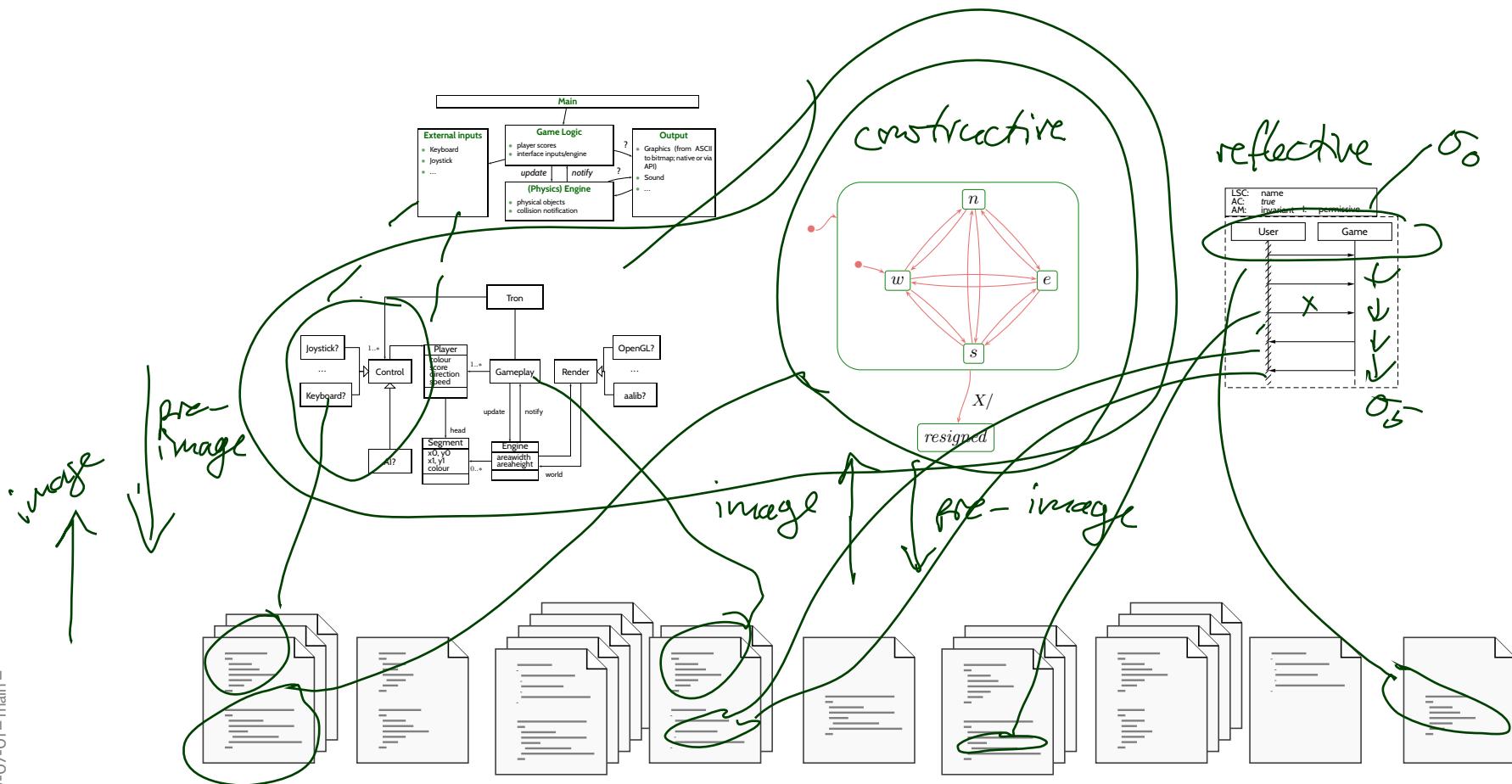
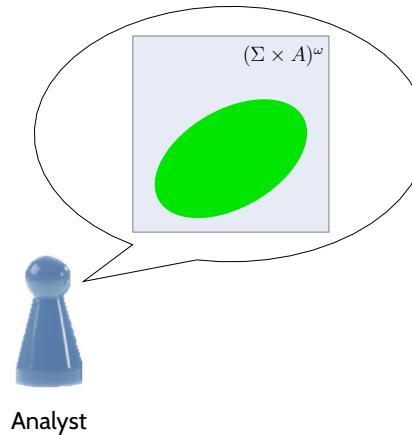
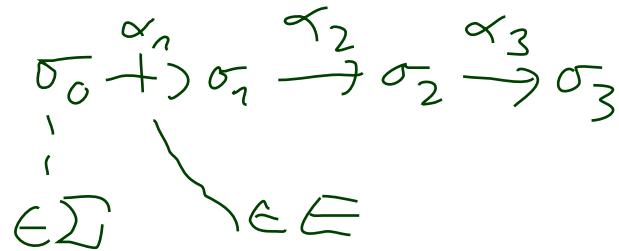
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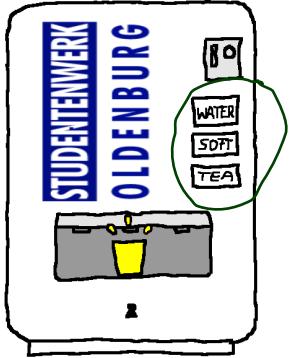
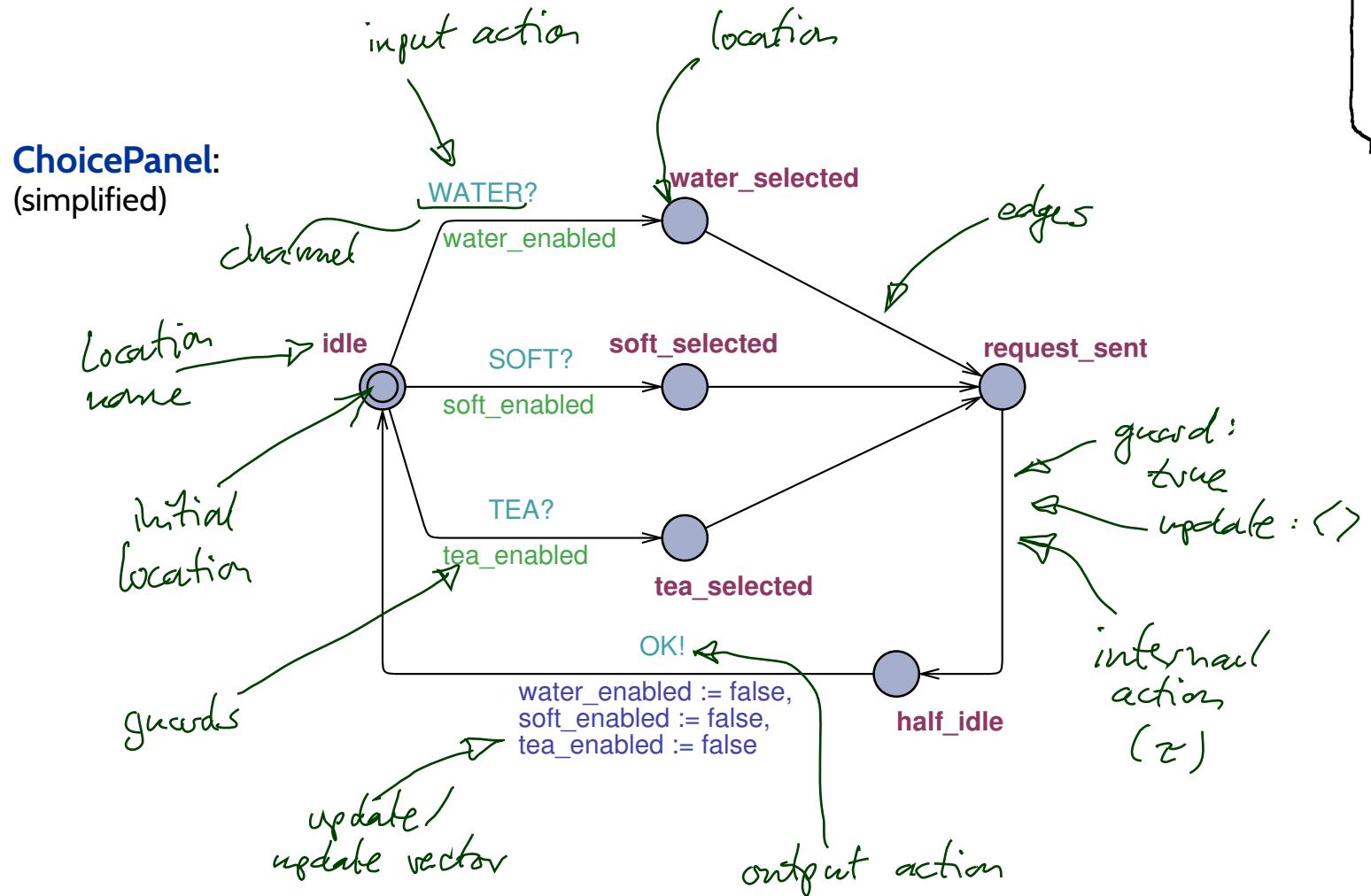
# *Software Modelling*



# *Communicating Finite Automata*

*presentation follows (Olderog and Dierks, 2008)*

# Example



# *Channel Names and Actions*

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To define communicating finite automata, we need the following sets of symbols:

- A set  $(a, b \in) \text{Chan}$  of **channel names** or **channels**.
- For each channel  $a \in \text{Chan}$ , two **visible actions**:  
 $a?$  and  $a!$  denote **input** and **output** on the **channel** ( $a?, a! \notin \text{Chan}$ ).
- $\tau \notin \text{Chan}$  represents an **internal action**, not visible from outside.
- $(\alpha, \beta \in) \text{Act} := \{a? \mid a \in \text{Chan}\} \cup \{a! \mid a \in \text{Chan}\} \cup \{\tau\}$  is the set of **actions**.
- An **alphabet**  $B$  is a set of **channels**, i.e.  $B \subseteq \text{Chan}$ .
- For each alphabet  $B$ , we define the corresponding **action set**

$$B_{?!) := \{a? \mid a \in B\} \cup \{a! \mid a \in B\} \cup \{\tau\}.$$

**Note:**  $\text{Chan}_{?!) = \text{Act}}$ .

# *Integer Variables and Expressions, Resets*

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- Let  $(v, w \in) V$  be a set of ((finite domain) integer) variables.

By  $(\varphi \in) \Psi(V)$  we denote the set of **integer expressions** over  $V$  using function symbols  $+, -, \dots$  and relation symbols  $<, \leq, \dots$ .

- A **modification** on  $v \in V$  is of the form

$$v := \varphi, \quad v \in V, \quad \varphi \in \Psi(V).$$

By  $R(V)$  we denote the set of all modifications.

- By  $\vec{r}$  we denote a finite list  $\langle r_1, \dots, r_n \rangle$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , of modifications  $r_i \in R(V)$ .  
 $\vec{r}$  is called **reset vector** (or **update vector**).  
 $\langle \rangle$  is the empty list ( $n = 0$ ).
- By  $R(V)^*$  we denote the set of all such finite lists of modifications.

# Communicating Finite Automata

**Definition.** A **communicating finite automaton** is a structure

$$\mathcal{A} = (L, B, V, E, \ell_{ini})$$

where

- $(\ell \in) L$  is a finite set of **locations** (or **control states**),
- $B \subseteq \text{Chan}$ ,
- $V$ : a set of data variables,
- $E \subseteq L \times B_{!?} \times \Phi(V) \times R(V)^* \times L$ : a finite set of **directed edges** such that  
 $(\ell, \alpha, \varphi, \vec{r}, \ell') \in E \wedge \text{chan}(\alpha) \in U \implies \varphi = \text{true}$ .

Edges  $(\ell, \alpha, \varphi, \vec{r}, \ell')$  from location  $\ell$  to  $\ell'$  are labelled with an **action**  $\alpha$ ,  
a **guard**  $\varphi$ , and a list  $\vec{r}$  of **modifications**.

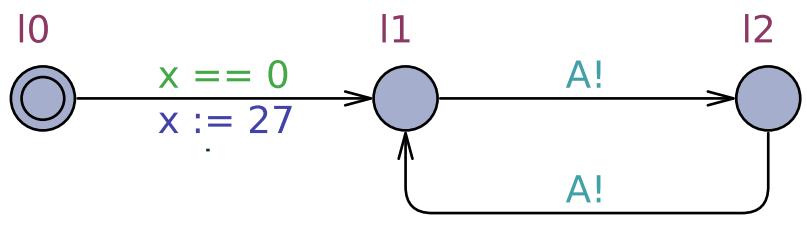
- $\ell_{ini} \in L$  is the **initial location**.

# Example

**Abstract syntax:**

$$\mathcal{A} = (L, B, V, E, \ell_{ini})$$

$\mathcal{A}_1 :$



$\mathcal{A}_2 :$



$$L = \{l_0, l_1, l_2\}$$

$$B = \{A\}$$

$$V = \{x\}$$

$$\ell_{ini} = l_0$$

$$E = \{ (l_0, \tau, x == 0, x := 27, l_1), \\ (l_1, A!, \text{true}, \langle \rangle, l_2), \\ \dots \}$$

# *Operational Semantics of Networks of CFA*

## **Definition.**

Let  $\mathcal{A}_i = (L_i, B_i, V_i, E_i, \ell_{ini,i})$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , be communicating finite automata.

The **operational semantics** of the **network** of CFA  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_n)$  is the labelled transition system

$$\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_n)) = (\underbrace{Conf}_{\text{Chan} \cup \{\tau\}}, \underbrace{\text{Chan} \cup \{\tau\}}_{\{\xrightarrow{\lambda} \mid \lambda \in \text{Chan} \cup \{\tau\}\}}, \underbrace{C_{ini}}_{\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_n})$$

where

- $V = \bigcup_{i=1}^n V_i$ ,
- $Conf = \{\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \mid \ell_i \in L_i, \nu : V \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(V)\}$ ,
- $C_{ini} = \langle \vec{\ell}_{ini}, \nu_{ini} \rangle$  with  $\nu_{ini}(v) = 0$  for all  $v \in V$ .

The transition relation consists of transitions of the following two types.

# Helpers: Extended Valuations and Effect of Resets

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- $\nu : V \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(V)$  is a **valuation** of the variables,
- A valuation  $\nu$  of the variables canonically assigns an integer value  $\nu(\varphi)$  to each integer expression  $\varphi \in \Phi(V)$ .
- $\models \subseteq (V \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(V)) \times \Phi(V)$  is the canonical **satisfaction relation** between valuations and integer expressions from  $\Phi(V)$ .

- **Effect of modification**  $r \in R(V)$  **on**  $\nu$ , denoted by  $\nu[r]$ :

$$\nu[v := \varphi](a) := \begin{cases} \nu(\varphi), & \text{if } a = v, \\ \nu(a), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- We set  $\nu[\langle r_1, \dots, r_n \rangle] := \nu[r_1] \dots [r_n] = (((\nu[r_1])[r_2]) \dots )[r_n]$ .

That is, modifications are executed sequentially from left to right.

# *Operational Semantics of Networks of CFA*

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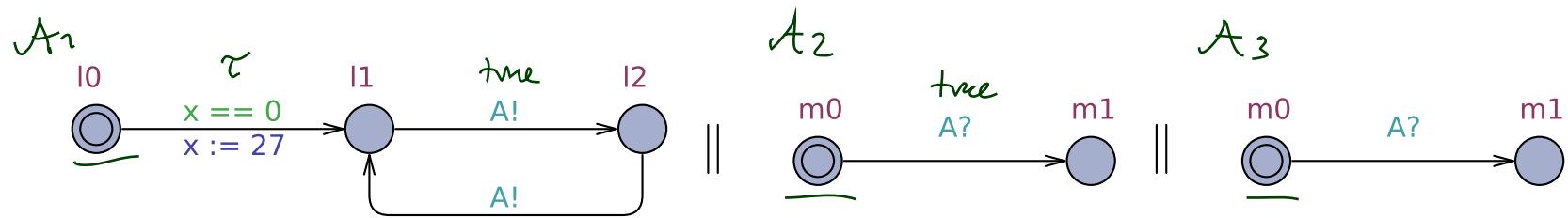
- An **internal transition**  $\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \xrightarrow{\tau} \langle \vec{\ell}', \nu' \rangle$  occurs if there is  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and
  - there is a  $\tau$ -edge  $(\ell_i, \tau, \varphi, \vec{r}, \ell'_i) \in E_i$  such that
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- A **synchronisation transition**  $\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \xrightarrow{b} \langle \vec{\ell}', \nu' \rangle$  occurs if there are  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  with  $i \neq j$  and
  - there are edges  $(\ell_i, b!, \varphi_i, \vec{r}_i, \ell'_i) \in E_i$  and  $(\ell_j, b?, \varphi_j, \vec{r}_j, \ell'_j) \in E_j$  such that
    - $\nu \models \varphi_i \wedge \varphi_j$ , "source valuation satisfies guards (!)"
    - $\vec{\ell}' = \vec{\ell}[\ell_i := \ell'_i][\ell_j := \ell'_j]$ , "automaton  $i$  and  $j$  change location"
    - $\nu' = (\nu[\vec{r}_i])[r_j]$ , " $\nu'$  is the result of applying first  $\vec{r}_i$  and then  $\vec{r}_j$  on  $\nu$ "

This style of communication is known under the names "**rendezvous**", "**synchronous**", "**blocking**" communication (and possibly many others).

# Example



$\langle (l0, m0, m0), \ x = 0 \rangle$   
 $\downarrow \tau$   
 $\langle (l1, m0, m0), \ x = 27 \rangle$   
 $\downarrow A$   
 $\langle (l2, m1, m0), \ x = 27 \rangle$

# Transition Sequences

- A **transition sequence** of  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_n)$  is any (in)finite sequence of the form

with

$$\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle \xrightarrow{\lambda_1} \langle \vec{\ell}_1, \nu_1 \rangle \xrightarrow{\lambda_2} \langle \vec{\ell}_2, \nu_2 \rangle \xrightarrow{\lambda_3} \dots$$

- $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle = C_{ini}$ ,
- for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , there is  $\xrightarrow{\lambda_{i+1}}$  in  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_n))$  with  $\langle \vec{\ell}_i, \nu_i \rangle \xrightarrow{\lambda_{i+1}} \langle \vec{\ell}_{i+1}, \nu_{i+1} \rangle$ .

# Reachability

- A configuration  $\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle$  is called **reachable** (in  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_n)$ ) **from**  $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle$  if and only if there is a transition sequence of the form

$$\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle \xrightarrow{\lambda_1} \langle \vec{\ell}_1, \nu_1 \rangle \xrightarrow{\lambda_2} \langle \vec{\ell}_2, \nu_2 \rangle \xrightarrow{\lambda_3} \dots \xrightarrow{\lambda_n} \langle \vec{\ell}_n, \nu_n \rangle = \langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle.$$

- A configuration  $\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle$  is called **reachable** (without “from”!) if and only if it is reachable from  $\underline{C_{ini}}$ .
- A **location**  $\ell \in L_i$  is called **reachable** if and only if **any** configuration  $\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle$  with  $\underline{\ell_i = \ell}$  is reachable, i.e. there exist  $\vec{\ell}$  and  $\nu$  such that  $\ell_i = \ell$  and  $\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle$  is reachable.

# Deadlock

- A configuration  $\langle \ell, \nu \rangle$  of  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_n)$  is called **deadlock** if and only if there are no transitions from  $\langle \ell, \nu \rangle$ , i.e. if

$$\neg(\exists \lambda \in \Lambda \exists \langle \ell', \nu' \rangle \in \text{Conf} \bullet \langle \ell, \nu \rangle \xrightarrow{\lambda} \langle \ell', \nu' \rangle).$$

The **network**  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_n)$  is said to **have a deadlock**

if and only if there is a reachable configuration  $\langle \ell, \nu \rangle$  which is a deadlock.

*Uppaal*  
*(Larsen et al., 1997; Behrmann et al., 2004)*

# *Tool Demo*

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# The Uppaal Query Language

Consider  $\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_n)$  over data variables  $V$ .

- **basic formula:**

$$atom ::= \mathcal{A}_i.\ell \mid \varphi \mid \text{deadlock}$$

where  $\ell \in L_i$  is a location and  $\varphi$  an expression over  $V$ .

- **configuration formulae:**

$$term ::= atom \mid \text{not } term \mid term_1 \text{ and } term_2$$

- **existential path formulae:**

$$\begin{aligned} e\text{-formula} ::= & \exists \overbrace{\Diamond}^{\sim} term && (\text{exists finally}) \\ & \mid \exists \overbrace{\Box}^{\sim} term && (\text{exists globally}) \end{aligned}$$

- **universal path formulae:**

$$\begin{aligned} a\text{-formula} ::= & \forall \overbrace{\Diamond}^{\sim} term && (\text{always finally}) \\ & \mid \forall \overbrace{\Box}^{\sim} term && (\text{always globally}) \\ & \mid term_1 \overbrace{\rightarrow}^{\sim} term_2 && (\text{leads to}) \end{aligned}$$

- **formulae (or queries):**

$$F ::= e\text{-formula} \mid a\text{-formula}$$

# Satisfaction of Uppaal Queries by Configurations

- The satisfaction relation

$$\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \models F$$

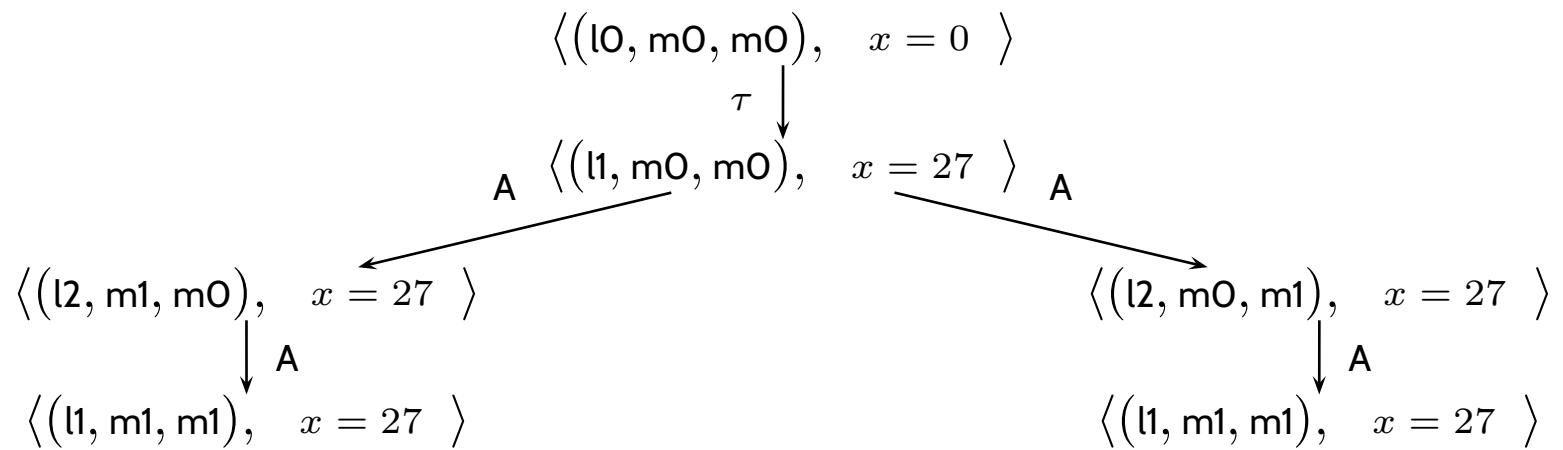
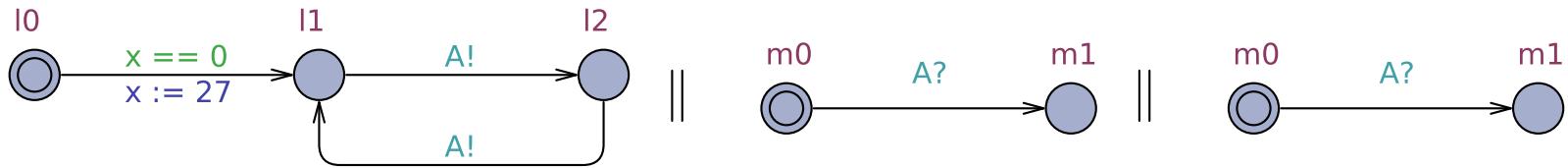
between configurations

$$\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle = \langle (\ell_1, \dots, \ell_n), \nu \rangle$$

of a network  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_n)$  and formulae  $F$  of the Uppaal logic is defined **inductively** as follows:

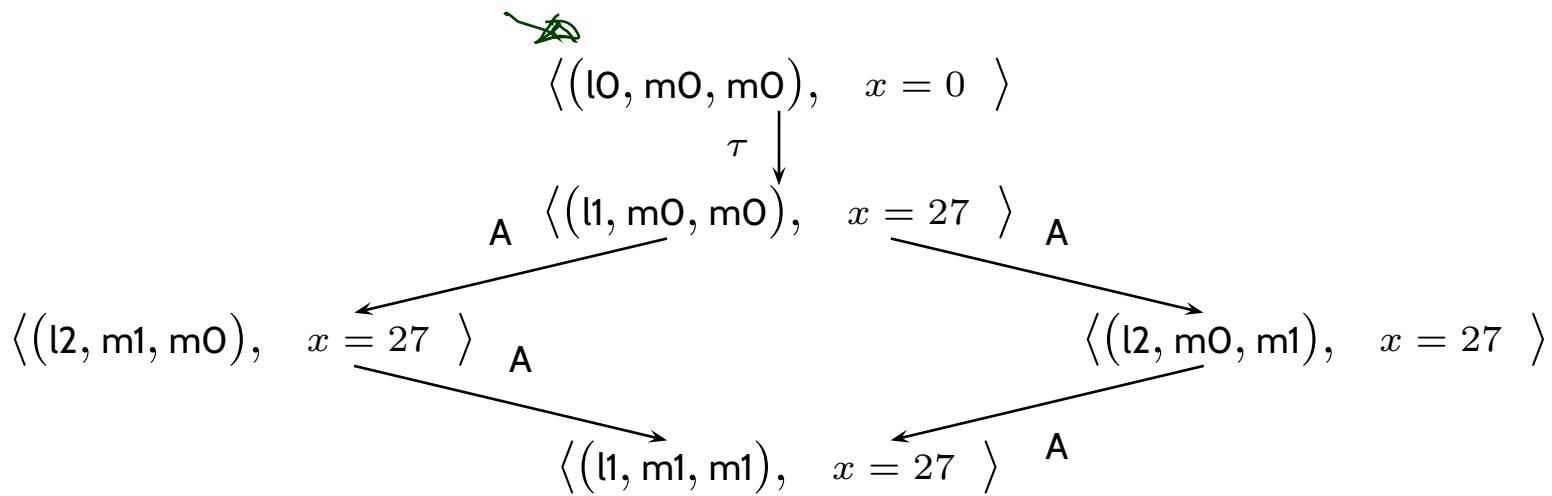
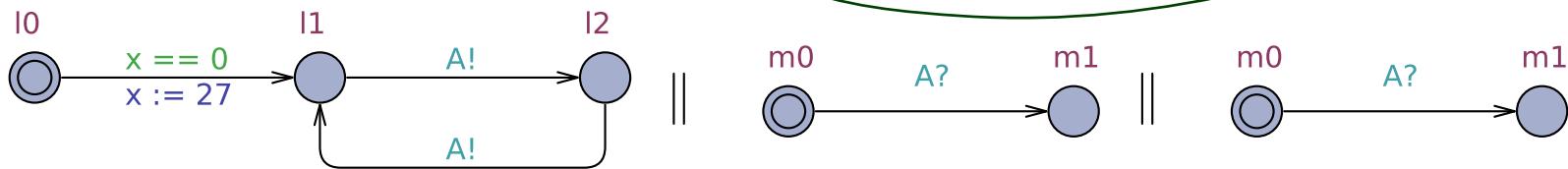
- $\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \models \text{deadlock}$  iff  $\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle$  is a deadlock conf
- $\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \models \mathcal{A}_i.\ell$  iff  $\ell_{0,i} = \ell$
- $\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \models \varphi$  iff  $\nu \models \varphi$
- $\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \models \text{not term}$  iff  $\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \not\models \varphi$
- $\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \models \text{term}_1 \text{ and } \text{term}_2$  iff  $\langle \vec{\ell}, \nu \rangle \models \text{term}_i \text{ and } \nu \models \text{term}_j$

# Example: Computation Paths vs. Computation Tree



# Example: Computation Paths vs. Computation Graph

(or: Transition Graph)



# *Satisfaction of Uppaal Queries by Configurations*

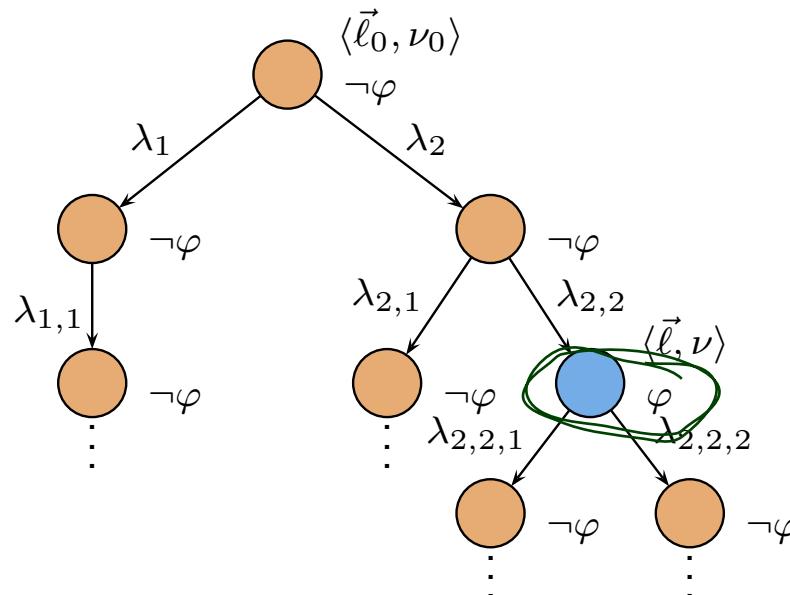
## Exists finally:

- $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle \models \exists \Diamond \text{term}$  iff  $\exists$  path  $\xi$  of  $\mathcal{N}$  starting in  $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle$   
 $\exists i \in \mathbb{N}_0 \bullet \xi^i \models \text{term}$

“some configuration satisfying  $\text{term}$  is reachable”

$\nwarrow$  its configurations

**Example:**  $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle \models \exists \Diamond \varphi$



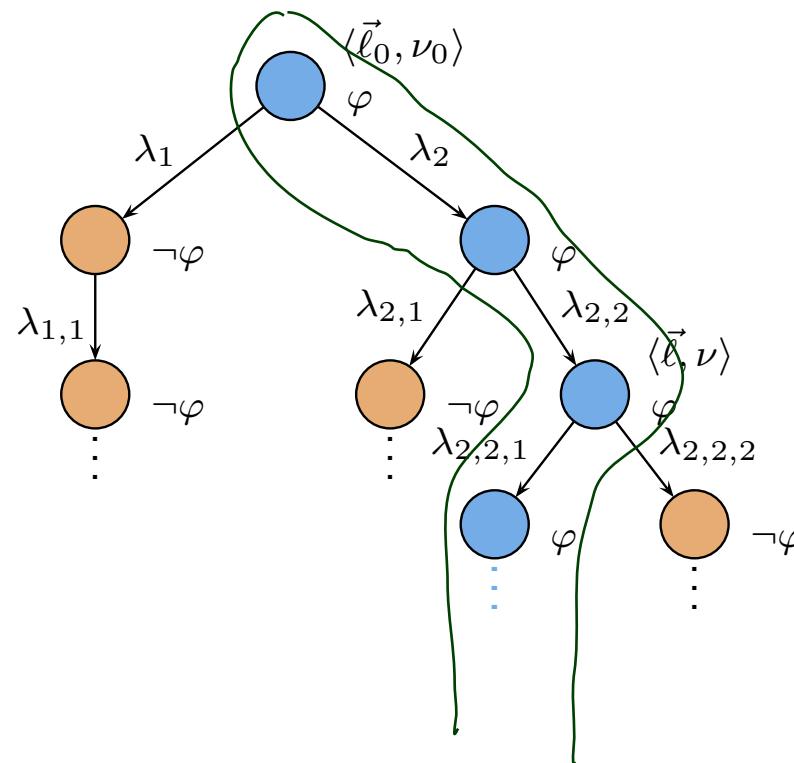
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Exists globally:

- $\underbrace{\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle}_{\text{iff}} \models \exists \Box \text{ term}$        $\exists \text{ path } \xi \text{ of } \mathcal{N} \text{ starting in } \langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle$   
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Example:  $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle \models \exists \Box \varphi$



# *Satisfaction of Uppaal Queries by Configurations*

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- **Always globally:**

- $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle \models \forall \Box term$       iff  $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle \not\models \exists \Diamond \neg term$   
“not (some configuration satisfying  $\neg term$  is reachable)”  
or: “all reachable configurations satisfy  $term$ ”

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or: “on all computation paths, there is a configuration satisfying  $term$ ”

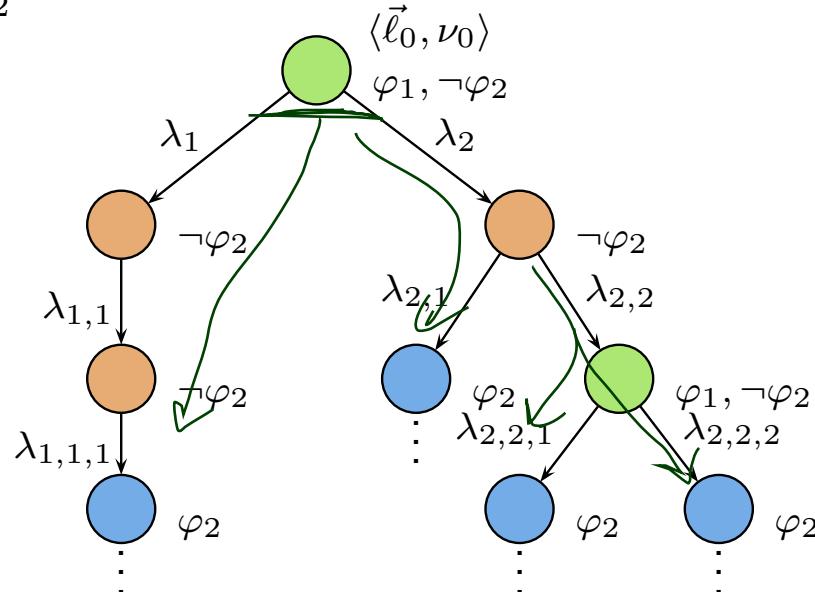
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Leads to:

- $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle \models term_1 \longrightarrow term_2$  iff  $\forall$  path  $\xi$  of  $\mathcal{N}$  starting in  $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle \quad \forall i \in \mathbb{N}_0 \bullet \xi^i \models term_1 \implies \xi^i \models \forall \Diamond term_2$

“on all paths, from each configuration satisfying  $term_1$ ,  
a configuration satisfying  $term_2$  is reachable” (**response pattern**)

Example:  $\langle \vec{\ell}_0, \nu_0 \rangle \models \varphi_1 \longrightarrow \varphi_2$



# *CFA Model-Checking*

**Definition.** Let  $\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_n)$  be a network and  $F$  a query.

- (i) We say  $\mathcal{N}$  **satisfies**  $F$ , denoted by  $\mathcal{N} \models F$ , if and only if  $C_{ini} \models F$ .
- (ii) The **model-checking problem** for  $\mathcal{N}$  and  $F$  is to decide whether  $\underline{(\mathcal{N}, F)} \in \models$ .

## **Proposition.**

The model-checking problem for communicating finite automata is **decidable**.

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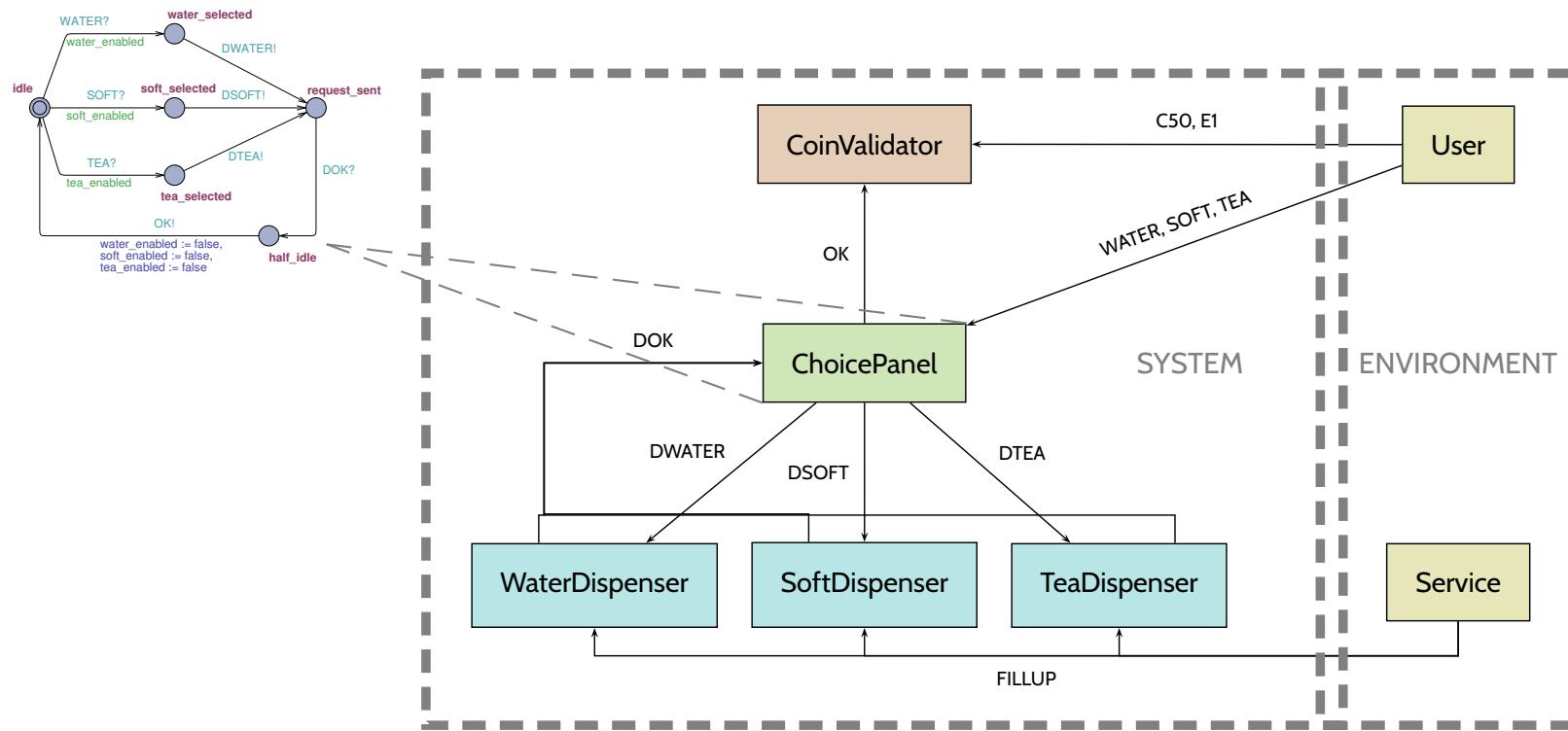
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- **Uppaal Architecture**



# *CFA and Queries at Work*

# Model Architecture — Who Talks What to Whom



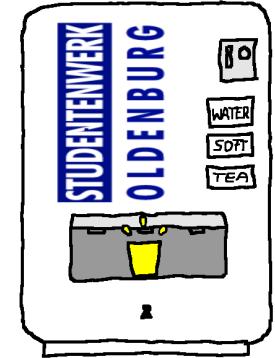
- **Shared variables:**

- `bool water_enabled, soft_enabled, tea_enabled;`
- `int w = 3, s = 3, t = 3;`

- **Note:** Our model does not use scopes (“information hiding”) for channels. That is, ‘Service’ could send ‘WATER’ if the modeler wanted to.

# *Design Sanity Check: Drive to Configuration*

- **Question:** Is it (at all) possible to have no water in the vending machine model?  
(Otherwise, the design is definitely broken.)



- **Approach:** Check whether a configuration satisfying

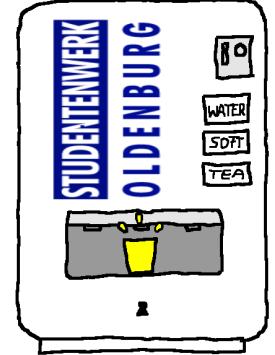
$$w = 0$$

is reachable, i.e. check whether

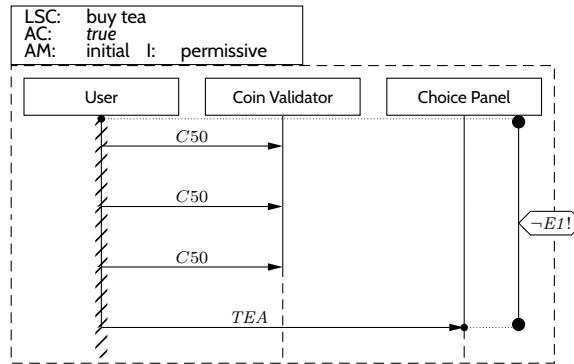
$$\mathcal{N}_{\text{VM}} \models \exists \Diamond w = 0.$$

for the vending machine model  $\mathcal{N}_{\text{VM}}$ .

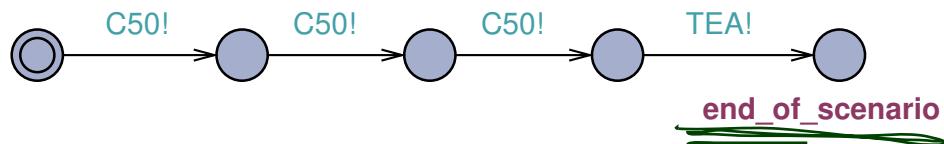
# Design Check: Scenarios



- **Question:** Is the following existential LSC satisfied by the model?  
(Otherwise, the design is definitely broken.)



- **Approach:** Use the following newly created CFA 'Scenario'

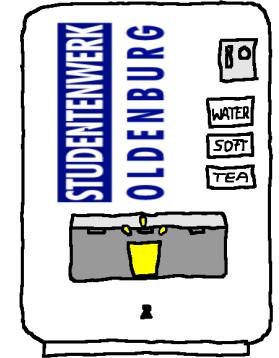
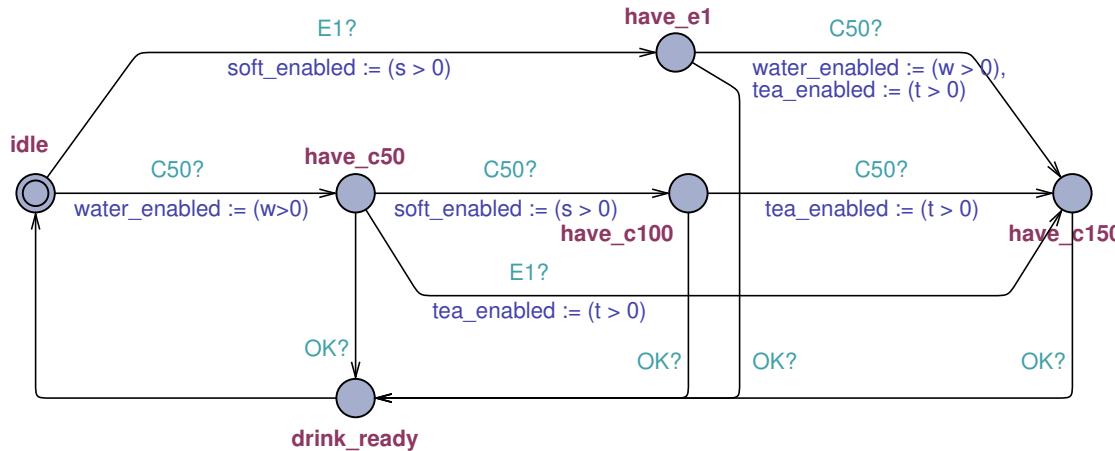


instead of **User** and check whether location **end\_of\_scenario** is reachable, i.e. check whether

$$\mathcal{N}'_{VM} \models \exists \diamond \text{Scenario.end\_of\_scenario}.$$

for the modified vending machine model  $\mathcal{N}'_{VM}$ .

# Design Verification: Invariants



- **Question:** Is it the case that the “tea” button is **only** enabled if there is € 1.50 in the machine? (Otherwise, the design is broken.)
- **Approach:** Check whether the implication

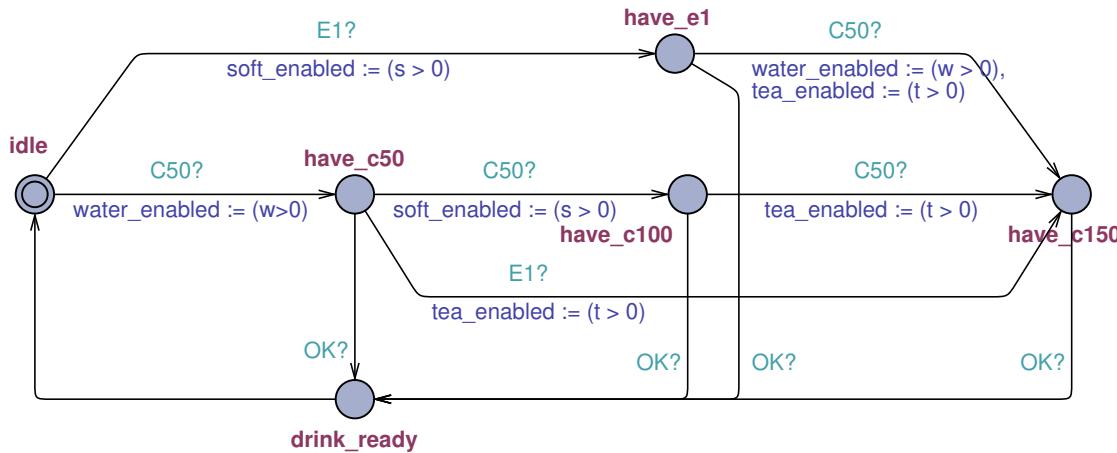
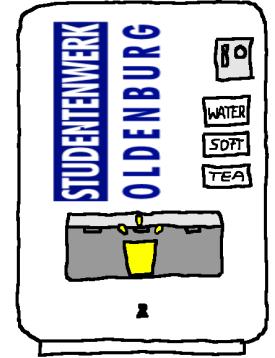
$$\text{tea\_enabled} \implies \text{CoinValidator.have\_c150}$$

holds in all reachable configurations, i.e. check whether

$$\mathcal{N}_{\text{VM}} \models \forall \square (\text{tea\_enabled} \implies \text{CoinValidator.have\_c150})$$

for the vending machine model  $\mathcal{N}_{\text{VM}}$ .

# Design Verification: Sanity Check



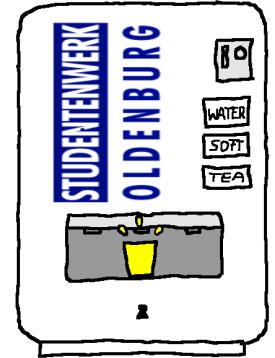
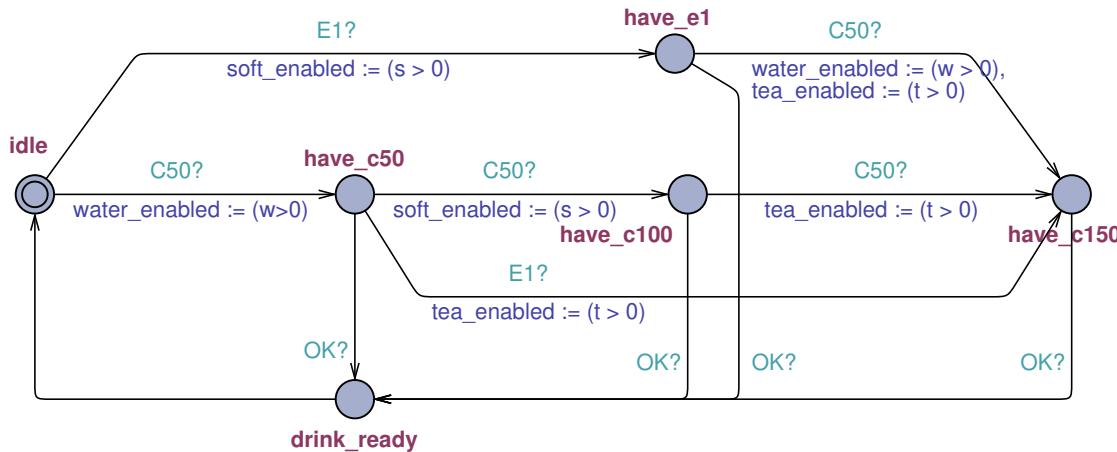
- **Question:** Is the “tea” button **ever** enabled?  
(Otherwise, the considered invariant

`tea_enabled  $\implies$  CoinValidator.have_c150`

holds vacuously.)

- **Approach:** Check whether a configuration satisfying `water_enabled = 1` is reachable.  
Exactly like we did with  $w = 0$  earlier (i.e. check whether  $\mathcal{N}_{\text{VM}} \models \exists \Diamond \text{water\_enabled} = 1$ ).   
  
 ~~$\mathcal{N}_{\text{VM}} \models \exists \Diamond \text{water\_enabled} = 1$~~

# Design Verification: Another Invariant

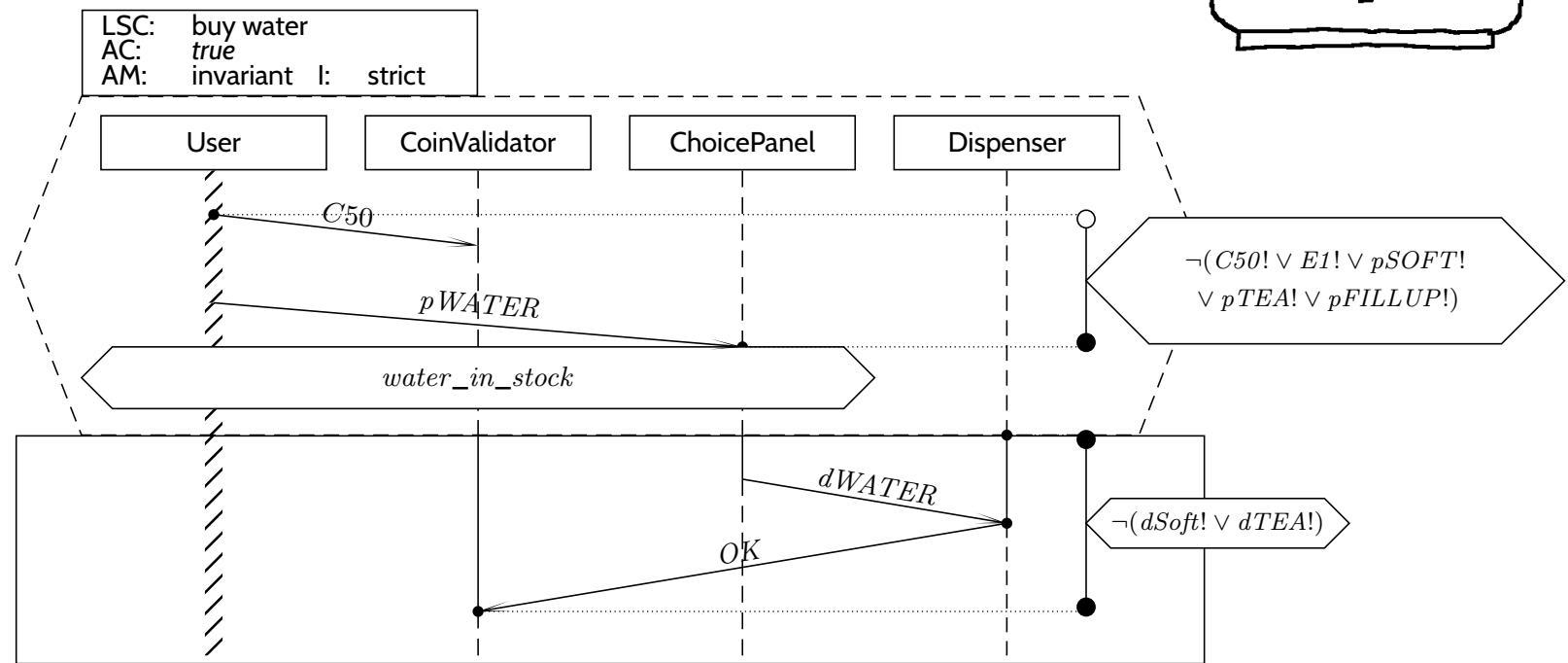
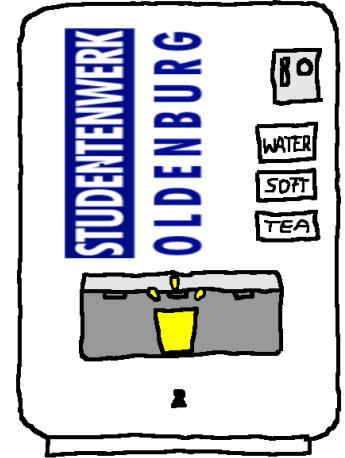


- **Question:** Is it the case that, if there is money in the machine and water in stock, that the “water” button is enabled?

- **Approach:** Check

$\mathcal{N}_{VM} \models \forall \square (\text{CoinValidator.have\_c50} \text{ or } \text{CoinValidator.have\_c100} \text{ or } \text{CoinValidator.have\_c150})$   
imply `water_enabled`.

## *Recall: Universal LSC Example*



# What Can We Conclude From Verification Results?

- Assume that query  $Q$  corresponds to a requirement on the system under development, and  $\mathcal{N}$  is our design-idea model.
- Assume that the verification tool states  $\mathcal{N} \models Q$ . What can we conclude from that?

		tool result	
		$\mathcal{N} \not\models Q$	$\mathcal{N} \models Q$
the design idea	sat. $Q$	false negative	true positive
	does not sat. $Q$	true negative	false positive

# *Content*

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- **Communicating Finite Automata (CFA)**

- concrete and abstract syntax,
  - networks of CFA,
  - operational semantics.

- **Transition Sequences**

- **Deadlock, Reachability**

- **Uppaal**

- tool demo (simulator),
  - query language,
  - CFA model-checking.

- **CFA at Work**

- drive to configuration, scenarios, invariants
  - tool demo (verifier).

- **Uppaal Architecture**

# *Uppaal Architecture*

# *Tell Them What You've Told Them...*

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- A network of communicating finite automata
    - describes a labelled transition system,
    - can be used to model software behaviour.
  - The Uppaal Query Language can be used to
    - formalize reachability ( $\exists \diamond CF, \forall \square CF, \dots$ ) and
    - leadsto ( $CF_1 \rightarrow CF_2$ ) properties.
  - Since the model-checking problem of CFA is decidable,
    - there are tools which automatically check whether a network of CFA satisfies a given query.
  - Use model-checking, e.g., to
    - obtain a computation path to a certain configuration (drive-to-configuration),
    - check whether a scenario is possible,
    - check whether an invariant is satisfied.
- (If not, analyse the design further using the obtained counter-example).

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