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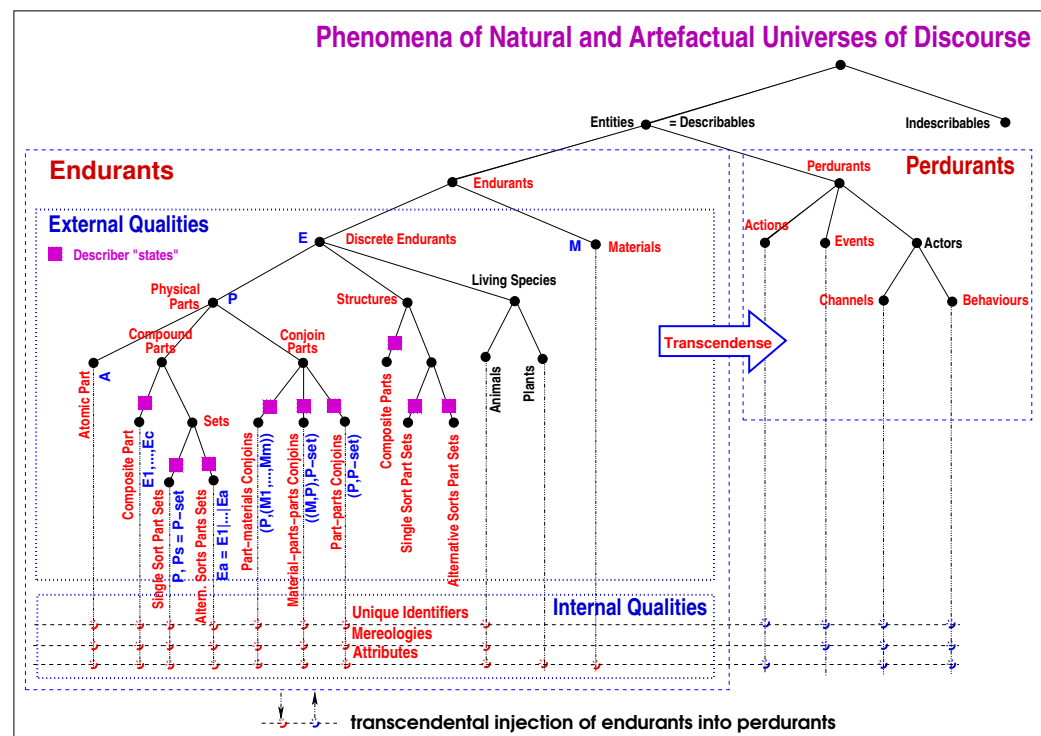
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Preface

The Triptych Dogma

In order to *specify* **software**,
we must understand its requirements.

In order to *prescribe* **requirements**
we must understand the **domain**.

So we must **study, analyse** and **describe** domains.

General

The claim of this monograph is twofold:

- that domain engineering is a **viable**,
yes, we would claim, necessary **initial** phase of software development¹; and
- that domain science &² engineering is a **worthwhile** topic of research³.

I mean this rather seriously:

- How can one think of implementing **software**,
- preferably satisfying some **requirements**,
- without demonstrating that one understands the **domain** ?

So in this monograph I shall

- explain what domain engineering is,
- some of the science that goes with it, and
- how one can “derive” requirements prescriptions
 - ∞ (for computing systems)
 - ∞ from domain descriptions.

But **there is an altogether different reason**, also, for presenting these papers in monograph form:

- Software houses may not take up the challenge to develop software
 - ∞ that satisfies customers expectations, that is, reflects the domain such as these customers know it,
 - ∞ and software that is correct with respect to requirements, with proofs of correctness often having to refer to the domain.
- But computing scientists are shown, in these papers, that domain science and engineering is a field full of interesting problems to be researched.
- We consider domain descriptions, requirements prescriptions and software design specifications to be **mathematical** quantities.

Application Areas

Computers are man-made, they are artefacts. Physicists and engineers compute over domains of **physics**, including chemistry, and **engineering designs**, and their computations range mostly over *phenomena of physics*. Manufacturing, logistics and transport firms as well as goods importers/exporters, wholesalers and retail firms use computers significantly. Their domain is mostly **operations research**. With **domain**

¹ cf. ‘Engineering’ in the main title and the second subtitle of this monograph

² We use the ampersand ‘&’ to emphasize that domain science & engineering is one topic, not two.

³ cf. ‘Science’ in the main title and the first subtitle of this monograph

science & engineering the domain (of possible software applications) is now definable in terms of what the method of this monograph is capable of handling. Briefly, but by far not exhaustively, that domain includes such which focus on man-made objects, i.e., on artefacts, and the interaction of humans with these. In that respect the domain science & engineering, when used for the purposes of software development, straddles the aforementioned application areas but now, we claim, with some firm direction.

Work in Progress

The state of this monograph reflects that it is ‘*work in progress*’. The first publication directing the method in the direction of what is presented here were [53, 57, Summer 2010]. Since then there has been several publications in peer reviewed journals [70, 76, 74, 78, Years 2017–2019]. In the period of submission of the most recent of these [78, Spring 2018], and during the writing of this monograph, up to this very moment this *Preface* is being written, new research discoveries are made. The way that these new research ideas fits well within the framework, also in its detailed aspects, makes me think that the body of work presented here is stable and durable. I have therefore decided to release the monograph now in the hope that it might inspire others to continue the research.

The Monograph as a Textbook

Many universities appears to teach their science students, whether BSc or MSc, only such material for which there exists generally accepted and stable theories. I have over the years, since 1976, when I first joined a university staff — then as a full professor — mostly not adhered to this limitation, but taught, to BSc/MSc students, such material that yet had to reach the maturity of a *scientific theory*. So, go ahead, use this monograph in teaching !

Specific

This monograph is intended at the following mathematics–minded audiences:

- primarily researchers, lecturers and PhD students in the sciences of computers and computing – conventionally speaking: those who have few preconceived objections to the use of discrete mathematics;
- hopefully also their similarly oriented curious and serious MSc students;
- and finally, recent, and not so recent, practicing software engineers and programmers – again open-minded with respect to new foundations for programming and formalisms.

At the end of most chapters’ ‘*Problem Exercise*’ sections, we suggest a number of anywhere from engineering to science challenges: project-oriented domain analysis & description class-project exercises as well as more individual research problems of more-or-less “standard” degree of difficulty to plain challenging studies. The class-project exercises amount to rather “full-scale” 4–6 student term projects.

Sources

This is a monograph of 11 chapters. Except for three (Chapters 0, 2 and 10), these chapters build on the following publications:

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| • Chapter 1: Philosophy [77] | 11–16 |
| • Chapter 3: External Qualities [78, Sects. 2–3] ⁴ | 39–84 |
| • Chapter 4: Internal Qualities [78, Sect. 4] | 85–123 |
| • Chapter 5: Transcendental Deduction [78, Sects. 5–6] and [77] | 125–126 |

⁴ [70] is a precursor for [78]

• Chapter 6: Perdurants [78, Sect. 7]	127–163
• Chapter 7: Domain Facets [75, 52]	165–195
• Chapter 8: Requirements [66, 44]	199–244
• Chapter 9: Demos, Simulators, Monitors and Controllers [58]	247–255

Chapters 0–2 paves the way. They introduce the reader to a **vocabulary of concepts** specific to computing science; to some **fundamental ideas of philosophy** – a new to any treatise of our field; and to **prerequisite concepts of discrete mathematics**, of **space, time** and **matter**, and of **unique identification** and **mereology** – also new to any treatise of our field.

Chapters 3–6 **form the real core of this monograph**. It is here we develop what we shall, unashamedly, refer to as both a science and an engineering, i.e., a methodology for understanding the concept of ‘domains’ such as we shall define it. These chapters study and develop **calculi** for the **analysis** of domains and for their **description**. At **the same time as presenting this study** these chapters also **present a method** for actually developing *domain descriptions*. This duality, the beginnings of a *scientific, theoretical foundation for domain analyser & describer*, and the beginnings of a *method for actual engineering development*, may seem confusing if the twin aspects are not kept clear from one another. We have endeavoured to present the two aspects reasonable separated.

Chapters 7–9 are “bonus” chapters! They contain some quite original concepts: **domain facets** (Chapter 7) such as *intrinsic*s, *support technology*, *rules & regulations*, *scripts*, *license languages*, *management & organisation* and *human behaviour*; **requirements engineering** (Chapter 8) concepts such as the distinction into *domain requirements*, *interfaces requirements* and *machine requirements*, *projection*, *instantiation*, *determination*, *extension* and *fitting*, and more – not quite the way conventional requirements engineering textbooks treat the field; and **demos, simulators, monitors** and **controllers** (Chapter 9) are all concepts that, we claim, can be interestingly understood in light of *domain descriptions* being developed into *requirements prescriptions* and these into *software designs* and *software*. These chapters may, for better or worse, not be of interest to some computer scientists, but should be of interest to software engineering practitioners and people who do study the more mundane aspects of software engineering.

Some Caveats

This monograph uses the **RAISE Specification Language, RSL** [179, 176] for its formal presentations and for its mixed mathematical notation and RSL informal explanations. We refer to Appendix C for a résumé of RSL. [177, 168, 172] provide short, concise introductions to the RAISE Method and to RSL. Equally relevant other specification languages could be **VDM SL** [88, 89, 154], **Z** [374], the **B Method** notation [1], **Alloy** [251], and others. Also algebraic approaches are possible, for example: **CafeOBJ** [157], **CASL** [128] or **Maude** [283, 126]. Lecturer and students, readers in general, perhaps more familiar with some of the above languages than with **RSL**, should be able to follow our presentations, but perform their exercise/term project work in the language of their choice.

This monograph is the first in which domain science & engineering is presented in a coherent form, ready for scientific study as well as for university classes. But it is far from a polished textbook: Not all “corners” of describable, manifest and artefactual domains are here given “all the necessary” *principles, techniques and [language] tools* necessary for “run-of-the-mill” software development. We have given sufficiently many university courses, over previous texts, and these have shown, we claim, that most students can be expected, under guidance of professionals experienced in formal specifications, to contribute meaningfully to professional domain analysis & description projects.

We have left out of this monograph potential chapters on for example: possible **Semantic Models** of the domain analysis & description calculi [62]. We invite the reader to study this reference as well as to contribute to domain science. Examples of the latter could, for example, entail: **A Study of Analysis & Description Calculi**: *on the order of analysis & description prompts; on the top-down analysis & description, as suitable, for artefactual domains versus bottom-down analyses & descriptions, as perhaps more suitable, for natural and living specific domains, including humans; a deeper understanding of Intentional Pull*, et cetera.

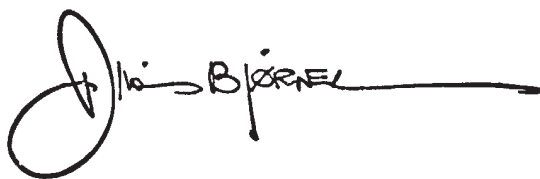
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SETTING THE SCOPE

- The first three chapters: 0, 1 and 2, provide a personal, intellectual introduction to the field of software engineering.
- In Chapter 0 I introduce “my” **Concepts**. These are briefly characterised. These characterisations can be found in ordinary dictionaries and on [Wikipedia](#). It is their juxtaposition, here in the beginning of this monograph, that, to me is significant and personal. They have formed and form a terminological foundation upon which I have built in the last 40 or more years.
- In Chapter 1 I summarize essential aspects of **Kai Sørlanders Philosophy**⁵. Kai Sørlanders Philosophy, such as I use it, is covered in four of his monographs: [345, 346, 347, 348]. It is thought that this introduction of a philosophical basis for the computer & computing sciences is novel !
- In Chapter 2 we bring three fundamental concepts: **Space**, **Time** and **Matter** together. They are all inherent in Kai Sørlander’s Philosophy. I then explore aspects of **Identity** and **Mereology** – and refer to the published [76].
- Chapter 0 is basically “armchair reading” ! Chapters 1 and 2 require a rather more serious study !

⁵ I spell that with a capital P in order to name a specific philosophy

CONCEPTS

*This monograph introduces a rather large number of new concepts. In a conventional software engineering setting, and, as in this case, in a technical/scientific monograph, such an introduction is unusual. I present this chapter because of the large number of new concepts. In order for the reader to find the way around, that reader must be made aware of the background concepts that underlie my treatment of a **new** branch of software engineering, **the domain science and engineering**.*

0.1 A General Vocabulary

1 **Abstraction:**

Conception, my boy, fundamental brain-work,
is what makes the difference in all art

D.G. Rossetti¹: letter to H. Caine²

Abstraction is a tool, used by the human mind, and to be applied in the process of describing (understanding) complex phenomena.

Abstraction is the most powerful such tool available to the human intellect.

Science proceeds by simplifying reality. The first step in simplification is abstraction. Abstraction (in the context of science) means leaving out of account all those empirical data which do not fit the particular, conceptual framework within which science at the moment happens to be working.

Abstraction (in the process of specification) arises from a conscious decision to advocate certain desired objects, situations and processes as being fundamental; by exposing, in a first, or higher, level of description, their similarities and — at that level — ignoring possible differences.

[From the opening paragraphs of [236, C.A.R. Hoare Notes on Data Structuring]]³

2 **Computer:** A computer is a collection of *hardware* and *software*, that is, is a machine that can be instructed to carry out sequences of arithmetic or logical operations automatically via computer programming [Wikipedia].

3 **Computer Science:** is the study and knowledge of the abstract phenomena that “occur” within computers [DB].

As such computer science includes *theory of computation, automata theory, formal language theory, algorithmic complexity theory, probabilistic computation, quantum computation, cryptography, machine learning and computational biology*..

¹ Dante Gabrielli Rossetti, 1828–1882, English poet, illustrator, painter and translator

² T. Hall Caine, 1853–1931, British novelist, dramatist, short story writer, poet and critic.

³ We shall bring another quote of Tony Hoare as the last proper text of this monograph, see Sect. 10.8 on Page 261.

- 4 **Computing Science:** is the study and knowledge of how to construct “those things” that “occur” within computers [DB].
As such computing science embodies *algorithm and data structure design, functional-, logic-, imperative- and parallel programming; code testing, model checking and specification proofs*. Much of this can be pursued using *formal methods* (see Item 9).
- 5 **Domain Engineering:** is the engineering of *domain descriptions* based on the engineering of *domain analyses* [DB].
Chapters 3–7 covers domain engineering.
We shall later, in Chapter 10, summarise the “benefits” of domain engineering. Suffice it here to say that basing software development on domain analysis & description shall help secure that the eventually emerging software *meets customer expectations*.
- 6 **Domain Requirements:** are those requirements which can be expressed solely in terms of domain concepts.
- 7 **Engineering:** is the use of scientific principles to design and build machines, structures, and other items, including bridges, tunnels, roads, vehicles, and buildings [Wikipedia].
The engineer *walks the bridge between science and technology*: analysing man-made devices for their possible scientific properties and constructing technology based on scientific insight.
We refer to [1 5, π 4], [1 27, π 5], [1 35, π 6].
- 8 **Epistemology:** is the branch of philosophy concerned with the theory of knowledge – and is the study of the nature of knowledge, justification, and the rationality of belief [Wikipedia].
- 9 **Formal Method:** By a *formal method* we shall here understand a *method* whose techniques and tools can be understood mathematically.
For *formal domain, requirements or software engineering methods formality* means the following:
 - There is a set, one or more, **specification languages** – say for domain descriptions, requirements prescriptions, software specifications, and software coding, i.e., programming languages.⁴
 - These are all to be formal, that is, to have a formal syntax, a formal semantics, and a formal, typically *Mathematical Logic* proof system.
 - Some of the *techniques* and *tools* must be supported by a mathematical understanding.
- 10 **Hardware:** The physical components of a computer: electronics, mechanics, etc. [Wikipedia].
- 11 **Interface Requirements:** are those requirements which can be expressed in a combination of both domain and machine concepts. They do so because certain entities, whither endurants or perdurants, are **shared** between the domain and the machine.
- 12 **Language:** By *language* we shall, with [Wikipedia], mean a *structured system* of communication. Language, in a broader sense, is the method of communication that involves the use of – particularly human– languages. The ‘structured system’ that we refer to has come to be known as *Syntax, Semantics* and *Pragmatics*. We refer to [1 37, π 7]⁵, [1 31, π 6], and [1 25, π 5].
- 13 **Linguistics:** By *linguistics* we shall mean the scientific study of language.
- 14 **Machine:** By a *machine* we shall understand a combination of software and hardware.
- 15 **Machine Requirements:** are those requirements which can be expressed solely in terms of machine concepts.
- 16 **Mathematics:** By *mathematics* we shall here understand a such human endeavours that makes precise certain facets of language, [1 12, π 4] whether natural or ‘constructed’ (as for mathematical notation), and out of those endeavours, i.e., mathematical constructions, also called theories, build further abstractions. We refer to Sects. 2.2 on Page 17– 2.3 on Page 17.

⁴ Most formal specification languages are textual, but graphical languages like Petri nets [333], Message Sequence Charts [249], Statecharts [199], Live Sequence Charts [200], etc., are also formal.

⁵ By [1 37, π 7] we mean to refer to item 37 page 7

- 17 **Metaphysics:** is the branch of philosophy that examines the fundamental nature of reality, including the relationship between mind and matter, between substance and attribute, and between potentiality and actuality [269] [Wikipedia].
In this monograph we stay clear of metaphysics.
- 18 **Mereology:** is the theory of parthood relations: of the relations of part to whole and the relations of part to part within a whole [358, 344, 115].
The term ‘mereology’ is accredited to the Polish mathematician, philosopher and logician Stanisław Leśniewski (1886–1939).
- 19 **Method:** By a method we shall understand a *set of principles* for selecting and applying a *set of techniques* using a *set of tools* in order to construct an artefact [DB].
We shall in this primer focus on a *method* for pursuing *domain analysis* and for constructing *domain descriptions*. Key chapters will summarise some methodological aspects of their content.
- 20 **Methodology:** is the comparative study and knowledge of methods [DB].
[The two terms: ‘method’ and ‘methodology’ are often confused, including used interchangeably.]
- 21 **Model:** A mathematical model is a description of a system using mathematical concepts and language. We shall include descriptions⁶, prescriptions⁷ and specifications⁸ using formal languages as presenting models.
- 22 **Modelling:** Modelling is the act of creating models, which include discrete mathematical structures (sets, Cartesians, lists, maps, etc.), and are logical theories represented as algebras. That is, any given RSL text denotes a set of models, and each model is an algebra, i.e., a set of named values and a set of named operations on these. Modelling is the engineering activity of establishing, analysing and using such structures and theories. Our models are established with the intention that they “model” “something else” other than just being the mathematical structure or theory itself. That “something else” is, in our case, some part of a reality⁹, or of a construed such reality, or of requirements to the, or a reality¹⁰, or of actual software¹¹.
- 23 **Ontology:** is the branch of metaphysics dealing with the nature of being; a set of concepts and categories in a subject area or domain that shows their properties and the relations between them [108, 109] [Wikipedia].
In this monograph we shall, indeed, focus much on the ontology of domains. See, f.ex., Chapter 4.
- 24 **Philosophy:** is the study of general and fundamental questions about existence, knowledge, values, reason, mind, and language. Such questions are often posed as problems to be studied or resolved [Wikipedia].
- 25 **Pragmatics:** studies the ways in which context contributes to meaning. Pragmatics encompasses speech act theory, conversational implicature, talk in interaction and other approaches to language behavior in philosophy, sociology, linguistics and anthropology [304, 288] [Wikipedia].
- 26 **Requirements:** By a requirements we understand (cf., [245, IEEE Standard 610.12]): “A *condition or capability needed by a user to solve a problem or achieve an objective*”
In *software development* the requirements explain what properties the desired software should have, not how these properties might be attained. In our, the *triptych* approach, requirements are to be “derived” from domain descriptions.
- 27 **Requirements Engineering:** is the engineering of constructing requirements [DB].

⁶ as for domains

⁷ as for requirements

⁸ as for software

⁹ — as in domain modelling

¹⁰ — as in requirements modelling

¹¹ — as in software design

The aim of requirements engineering is to **design the machine**. Chapter 8 covers requirements engineering.

- 28 **Requirements Prescription:** By a requirements prescription we mean a document which outlines the requirements that some software is expected to fulfill.
- 29 **Requirements Specification:** By a requirements specification we mean the same as a requirements prescription.
- 30 **Science:** is a systematic enterprise that builds and organizes knowledge in the form of testable explanations and predictions about the universe [Wikipedia].
Science is the intellectual and practical activity encompassing the systematic study of the structure and behaviour of the physical and natural world through observation and experiment.
- 31 **Semantics:** is the linguistic and philosophical study of meaning in language, programming languages, formal logics, and semiotics. It is concerned with the relationship between signifiers — like words, phrases, signs, and symbols — and what they stand for in reality, their denotation [112] [Wikipedia].
The languages that we shall be concerned with is, on one hand, the language[s] in which we describe domains [as here a variant of RSL, the RAISE Specification Language, extended, as we shall see in Chapters 3–6,] and, on the other hand, the language that emerges as the result of our domain analysis & description: a domain specific language.
There are basically three kinds of semantics, expressed somewhat simplistically:
 - **Denotational Semantics** model-theoretically assigns a *meaning*, a *denotation*, to each *phrase structure*, i.e., *syntactic category*.
 - **Axiomatic Semantics** or **Mathematical Logic Proof Systems** is an approach based on mathematical logic for proving the correctness of specifications.
 - **Algebraic Semantics** is a form of axiomatic semantics based on algebraic laws for describing and reasoning about program semantics in a formal manner.
- 32 **Semiotics:** is the study and knowledge of sign process (semiosis), which is any form of activity, conduct, or any process that involves signs, including the production of meaning [Wikipedia]. A sign is anything that communicates a meaning, that is not the sign itself, to the interpreter of the sign. The meaning can be intentional such as a word uttered with a specific meaning, or unintentional, such as a symptom being a sign of a particular medical condition. Signs can communicate through any of the senses, visual, auditory, tactile, olfactory, or gustatory [Wikipedia].
The study and knowledge of semiotics is often “broken down” into the studies, etc., of *syntax*, *semantics* and *pragmatics*.
- 33 **Software:** is the set of all the documents that have resulted from a completed *software development: domain analysis & description, requirements analysis & prescription, software: software code, software installation manuals, software maintenance manuals, software users guides, development project plans, budget, etc.*
- 34 **Software Design:** is the engineering of constructing software [DB].
Whereas software requirements engineering focus on the logical properties that desired software should attain, software design, besides focusing on achieving these properties *correctly*, also focus on the properties being achieved *efficiently*.
- 35 **Software Engineering:** to us, is then the combination of domain and requirements engineering with software design [DB].
This is my characterisation of software engineering. It is at the basis of this monograph as well as [39, 40, 41].
- 36 **Software Development:** is then the combination of the development of domain description, requirements prescription and software design [DB].
This is my characterisation of software engineering. It is at the basis of this monograph as well as [39, 40, 41].

- 37 **Syntax:** is the set of rules, principles, and processes that govern the structure of sentences (sentence structure) in a given language, usually including word order [Wikipedia].

We assume, as an absolute minimum of knowledge, that the reader of this primer is well aware of the concepts of BNF (*Backus Normal Form*) Grammars and CFGs (*Context Free Grammars*).

- 38 **Syntax, Semantics and Pragmatics:** With the advent of computing and their attendant programming languages these concepts of semiotics has taken on a somewhat additional meaning. When, in computer & computing science and in software engineering we speak of syntax we mean a quite definite and (mathematically) precise thing. With the advent our ability to mathematically precise describe the semantics of [certain] programming languages, we similarly mean quite definite and (mathematically) precise things. For natural, i.e., human languages, this is not so. As for pragmatics there is this to say. Computers have not pragmatics. Humans have. When, in this monograph we bring the term ‘pragmatics’ into play we are referring not to the computer “being pragmatic”, but to our pragmatics, as scientists, as engineers.
- 39 **Taxonomy:** is the practice and science of classification of things or concepts, including the principles that underlie such classification [Wikipedia].
We shall be basing our domain analysis initially on taxonomy ideas, cf. Chapter 3.
- 40 **Technology:** is the sum of techniques, skills, methods, and processes used in the production of goods or services or in the accomplishment of objectives, such as scientific investigation [Wikipedia].
Technology can be the knowledge of techniques, processes, and the like, or it can be embedded in machines to allow for operation without detailed knowledge of their workings. Systems (e.g. machines) applying technology by taking an input, changing it according to the system’s use, and then producing an outcome are referred to as technology systems or technological systems [Wikipedia].
- 41 **Triptych:** The *triptych [of software development]* centers on the three ‘engineering’s: domain, requirements and software [DB]. We refer to *The Triptych Dogma* of Page V.

0.2 More on Method

We elaborate on issues arising from the concept of ‘method’. These are brought here in some, hopefully meaningful, but not alphabetic order !

- 42 **Method:** By a method we shall understand a *set of principles* for selecting and applying a *set of techniques* using a *set of tools* in order to construct an artefact [DB].
- 43 **Principle:** By a *principle* we shall, loosely, understand (i) *elemental aspect of a craft or discipline*, (ii) *foundation*, (iii) *general law of nature*, etc [www.etymonline.com].
- 44 **Technique:** By a *technique* we shall, loosely, understand (i) *formal practical details in artistic, etc., expression*, (ii) *art, skill, craft in work*” [www.etymonline.com]. Classical technique are that of establishing **invariants** and expressing **intentional pull**. See Item 50 on the following page and Item 49 on the next page.
- 45 **Tool:** By a *tool* we shall, loosely, understand (i) *instrument, implement used by a craftsman or laborer, weapon*, (ii) *that with which one prepares something*, etc. [www.etymonline.com].
We shall, at the end of several chapters¹² summarise the principles, techniques and tools covered by these chapters.

Among basic principles, to be applied across all phases of software development, and hence in all phased of software engineering are those of:

- 46 **Abstraction:** We refer to Item 1 on Page 3.
- 47 **Conservative Extension:** An extension of a logical theory is conservative, i.e., conserves, if every theorem expressible in the original theory is also derivable within the original theory [en.wiktionary.org/wiki/conservative_extension].

¹² See Sects. 3.21.3 on Page 79, 4.10.3 on Page 120, 6.13.1 on Page 160, 7.9.1 on Page 192, 8.7.1 on Page 240

48 **Divide and Conquer:** In computer science, divide and conquer is an algorithm design paradigm based on multi-branched recursion. A divide-and-conquer algorithm works by recursively breaking down a problem into two or more sub-problems of the same or related type, until these become simple enough to be solved directly [Wikipedia].

But this monograph is not about the exciting field of *algorithm design*.

Yet, the principle of *divide and conquer* is also very strongly at play here: In the top-down analysis of a *domain* into what can be *described* and what is *indescribable*, of *describable entities* into *endurants* and *perdurants*, of *endurants* into *discrete*, *conjoins* and *materials*, of *discrete* into *physical parts*, *structures* and *living species*, and so forth [cf. Fig. 3.1 on Page 44].

49 **Intentional Pull:** The concept of intentional pull is a wider notion than that of invariant. Here we are not concerned with pre-/post-conditions on operations. Intentional pull is exerted between two or more phenomena of a domain when their relation can be asserted to **always** hold.

50 **Invariants:** The concept of invariants in the context of computing science is most clearly illustrated in connection with the well-formedness of data structures. Invariants then express properties that must hold, i.e., as a **pre-condition**, before any application of an operation to those data structures and shall hold, i.e. as a **post-condition** after any application of an operation to those data structures.

51 **Narration & Formalisation:** To communicate what a domain “is”, one must be able to narrate of what it consists. To understand a domain one must give a formal description of that domain. When we put an ampersand, &, between the two terms we mean to say that they form a whole: not one without the other, either way around! In our domain descriptions we enumerate narrative sentences and ascribe this enumeration to formal expressions.

52 **Nondeterminism:** Non-determinism is a fundamental concept in computer science. It appears in various contexts such as automata theory, algorithms and concurrent computation. ... The concept was developed from its inception by Rabin & Scott, Floyd and Dijkstra; as was the interplay between non-determinism and concurrency [Michal Armoni and Mordechai Ben-Ari].

53 **Operational Abstraction** abstract the way in which we express operations on usually representationally abstracted values. In conventional programming we refer to operational abstract as *procedure abstraction*.

54 **Refinement** is a verifiable transformation of an abstract (i.e., high-level) formal specification into a less abstract, we say more concrete (i.e., low-level) specification or an executable program. Step-wise refinement allows the refinement of a program, from a specification, to be done in stages [www.igi-global.com/dictionary].

55 **Representational Abstraction** abstracts the representation of type values, say in the form of just plain **sorts**, or, when concrete **types**, then in, for example the form of mathematical sets, or maps (i.e., discrete functions, usually from finite definition sets into likewise representationally abstracted ranges), or Cartesians (i.e., groupings of likewise abstracted elements), etc. In conventional programming we refer to representational abstract as *data abstraction*.

56 **Syntax and Semantics:** When we write:

let a:A **in** $\mathcal{B}(a)$ **end**

We mean that the [free] a in the $\mathcal{B}(a)$ clause is bound to the value a of type A in **let** a:A.

57 **Syntax Names:** To express that we refer to the syntactic name of a sort or type, A , we write:

“ A ”

That is, “...” is a special, meta-linguistic distributed-fix **quote** [unquote] operator. It is explained in Sect. 2.3.5.2 Page 22.

0.3 Some More Personal Observations

- **Informatics:** We understand informatics as a confluence of mathematics, of the computer and computing sciences, of the domain science and engineering as espoused in this monograph, requirements engineering and software design.
- **IT – Information Technology:** We understand information technology as the confluence of nano physics, electronics, computers and communication (hardware), sensors, actuators, etc.
- **Two Universes:** Two diverse universes appear to emerge:
Information Technology is, to this author, a *universe of both material quality and quantity*. It is primarily materially characterised, such as I see it, by such terms as *bigger, smaller; faster, slower; costly, inexpensive*, and *environment “friendly”*
Informatics is, to this author, a *universe of intellectual quality*. As such it is primarily characterised, such as I see it, by such terms as *better, more fit for purpose, appropriate, logically correct* and *meets user expectations*.

PHILOSOPHY

In this chapter we cover notions of philosophy that we claim are fundamental to our understanding of domain science and engineering.

We shall base some of our domain analysis decisions on Kai Sørlander's Philosophy [345, 346, 347, 348]. A main contribution of Kai Sørlander is, on the philosophical basis of the *possibility of truth* (in contrast to Kant's *possibility of self-awareness*), to *rationally and transcendently deduce the absolutely necessary conditions for describing any world*. These conditions presume a *principle of contradiction* and lead to the *ability to reason* using *logical connectives* and to *handle asymmetry, symmetry and transitivity*. *Transcendental deductions* then lead to *space and time*, not as priory assumptions, as with Kant, but derived facts of any world. From this basis Kai Sørlander then, by further transcendental deductions, arrive at kinematics, dynamics and the bases for Newton's Laws.

We build on Sørlander's basis to argue that the **domain analysis & description** calculi are necessary and sufficient for the analysis & description of domains and that a number of relations between domain entities can be understood transcendently and as "variants" of laws of physics, biology, etc. !

1.1 Some Issues of Philosophy

The question is: "what, if anything, is of such necessity, that it could under no circumstances be otherwise ?" or "which are the necessary characteristics of any possible world ?". We take it that the necessary characteristics of any domain is equivalent with the conceptual, logical conditions for any possible description of that domain. Sørlander puts forward the thesis of *the possibility of truth* and then, basing *transcendental deductions* on indisputable logical relations, arrives at the conceptual, logical conditions for any possible description of any domain.

The starting point, now, in a series of deductions, is that of logic and that we can assert a property, \mathcal{P} , and its negation $\neg\mathcal{P}$. These two assertions cannot both be true, that is, that $\mathcal{P} \wedge \neg\mathcal{P}$ cannot be true. So the *possibility of truth* is a universally valid condition. When we claim that, we also claim *the contradiction principle*. The *implicit meaning theory* is this: "in assertions there are mutual dependencies between the meaning of designations and consistency relation between assertions". When we claim that a philosophy basis is that of the possibility of truth, then we assume that this basis include the contradiction principle and the implicit meaning theory. We shall also refer to the implicit meaning theory as the **inescapable meaning assignment**.

As an example of what "goes into" the *inescapable meaning assignment*, we bring, albeit from the world of computer science, that of the description of the **stack** data type (its endurants and operations).

Inescapable Meaning Assignment, Narrative

Example 1 The meaning of designations:

- 58 Stacks, $s:S$, have elements, $e:E$;
- 59 the `empty_S` operation takes no arguments and yields a result stack;
- 60 the `is_empty_S` operation takes an argument stack and yields a Boolean value result.
- 61 the `stack` operation takes two arguments: an element and a stack and yields a result stack.
- 62 the `unstack` operation takes an non-empty argument stack and yields a stack result.
- 63 the `top` operation takes an non-empty argument stack and yields an element result.

The consistency relations:

- 64 an `empty_S` stack `is_empty`, and a stack with at least one element is not;
- 65 unstacking an argument stack, `stack(e,s)`, results in the stack `s`; and
- 66 inquiring the top of a non-empty argument stack, `stack(e,s)`, yields `e`.

Inescapable Meaning Assignment, Formalisation**Example 2****The meaning of designations:**

type

- 1. `E`, `S`

value

- 2. `empty_S`: `Unit` \rightarrow `S`
- 3. `is_empty_S`: `S` \rightarrow `Bool`
- 4. `stack`: `E` \times `S` \rightarrow `S`
- 5. `unstack`: `S` \rightarrow `S`

- 6. `top`: `S` \rightarrow `E`

The consistency relations:

- 7. `is_empty(empty_S())` = `true`
- 7. `is_empty(stack(e,s))` = `false`
- 8. `unstack(stack(e,s))` = `s`
- 9. `top(stack(e,s))` = `e`

1.2 Transcendence

Definition: 1 Transcendental, I: By **transcendental** we shall understand the philosophical notion: the a priori or intuitive basis of knowledge, independent of experience ■

Definition: 2 Transcendental Deduction, I: By a **transcendental deduction** we shall understand the philosophical notion: a transcendental ‘conversion’ of one kind of knowledge into a seemingly different kind of knowledge ■

Transcendental philosophy, with Kant and Sørlander, seeks to find the necessary conditions for experience, recognition and understanding. Transcendental deduction is then the “process”, based on the principle of contradiction and the implicit meaning theory, by means of which – through successive concept definitions – one can deduce a system of base concepts which must be assumed in any possible description of the world. The subsequent developments of the logical connectives, modalities, existence, identity, difference, relations, numbers, space, time and causality, are all transcendental deductions.

We shall return to the notions of transcendence in Chapter 5.

1.3 Overview of The Sørlander Philosophy

In this section we shall give a very terse summary of main elements of Kai Sørlander’s philosophy. We shall primarily base this overview on [348]. It is necessarily a terse summary. What we overview is developed in [348] over some 50 pages. Sørlander’s books [345, 346, 347, 348], relevant to this overview, are all in Danish. Hence the need for this section.

1.3.1 Logical Connectives**1.3.1.1 Negation: \neg :**

The logical connective, **negation** (\neg), is defined as follows: if assertion \mathcal{P} holds then assertion $\neg\mathcal{P}$ does not hold. That is, the contradiction principle understood as a definition of the concept of negation.

1.3.1.2 Conjunction and Disjunction: \wedge and \vee

Assertion $\mathcal{P} \wedge \mathcal{Q}$ holds, i.e., is true, if both \mathcal{P} **and** \mathcal{Q} holds. Assertion $\mathcal{P} \vee \mathcal{Q}$ holds, i.e., is true, if **either** \mathcal{P} **or** \mathcal{Q} **or both** \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{Q} holds.

1.3.1.3 Implication: \Rightarrow

Assertion $\mathcal{P} \Rightarrow \mathcal{Q}$ holds, i.e., is true, if the first assertion, \mathcal{P} , holds, t , and the second assertion, \mathcal{Q} , is not false, $\neg f$. $\neg f$. $[(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q}), \mathcal{P} \Rightarrow \mathcal{Q}]$: $[(t, t), t]$, $[(t, f), f]$, $[(f, t), t]$, and $[(f, f), t]$. \Rightarrow used in logic is also called *material implication*.

1.3.2 Towards a Philosophy–basis for Physics and Biology

In a somewhat long series of deductions we shall, based on Sørlander’s Philosophy, motivate the laws of Newton and more, not on the basis of empirical observations, but on the basis of transcendental deductions and rational reasoning.

1.3.2.1 Possibility and Necessity

Based on logical implication we can transcendently define the two *modal operators*: **necessity** and **possibility**.

Definition: 3 Necessarily True Assertions: An assertion is **necessarily** true if its truth follows from the definition of the designations by means of which it is expressed ■

Definition: 4 Possibly True Assertions: An assertion is **possibly** true if its negation is not necessary ■

1.3.2.2 Empirical Assertions

There can be assertions whose truth value does **not only depend** on the definition of the designations by means of which they are expressed. Those are assertions whose truth value **depend also** on the assertions **referring** to something that exists independently of the designations by means of which they are expressed. We shall call such assertions **empirical**.

1.3.2.3 Existence of Entities

With Sørlander we shall now argue that **there exist many entities in any world**: [348, pp 145] “Entities, in a first step of reasoning, that can be referred to in empirical assertions, do not necessarily exist. It is, however, an empirical fact that they do exist; hence there is a logical necessity that they do not exist¹. In a second step of reasoning, these entities must exist as a necessary condition for their actually being ascribed the predicates which they must necessarily befit in their capacity of of being entities referred to in empirical assertions.”

¹ Here we need to emphasize that the above quote from Sørlander is one between the *type* and a *value* of that type. So the empirical assertions motivate that we speak of the type of an entity. Empirical facts then states that some specific value of that type need not exist. In fact, there is, most likely, an indefinite number of values of the asserted type that do not exist.

1.3.2.4 Identity, Difference and Relations

[348, pp 146] “An entity, referred to by *A*, is **identical** to an entity, referred to by *B*, if *A* cannot be ascribed a predicate in-commensurable with a predicate ascribed to *B*.” That is, if *A* and *B* cannot be ascribed in-commensurable predicates. [348, pp 146] “Entities *A* and *B* are **different** if they can be ascribed in-commensurable predicates.” [348, pp 147] “**Identity** and **difference** are thus transcendently derived through these formal definitions and must therefore be presupposed in any description of any domain and must be expressible in any language.” *Identity* and *difference* are **relations**. [348, pp 147] “As a consequence *identity* and *difference* imply relations. **Symmetry** and **asymmetry** are also relations: *A* identical to *B* is the same as *B* identical to *A*. And *A* different from *B* is the same as *B* different from *A*. Finally **transitivity** follows from *A* identical to *B* and *B* identical to *C* implies *A* identical to *C*.”

1.3.2.5 Sets

We can, as a consequence of two or more different entities satisfying a same predicate, say *P*, *define* the notion of the **set** of all those entities satisfying *P*. And, as a consequence of two or more entities, *e_i, ..., e_j*, all being *distinct*, therefore implying in-commensurable predicates, *Q_i, ..., Q_j*, but still satisfying a common predicate, *P*, we can claim that they all belong to a same set. The predicate *P* can be said to **type** that set. And so forth: following this line of reasoning we can introduce notions of cardinality of sets, finite and infinite sets, existential (\exists) and universal (\forall) quantifiers, etc.; and we can in this way transcendently deduce the concept of (positive) numbers, their addition and multiplication; and that such are an indispensable aspect of any domain. We leave it then to mathematics to study number theory.

1.3.2.6 Space and Geometry

Definition: 5 Space: [348, pp 154] “The two relations **asymmetric** and **symmetric**, by a transcendental deduction, can be given an interpretation: the relation (spatial) **direction** is asymmetric; and the relation (spatial) **distance** is symmetric. Direction and distance can be understood as spatial relations. From these relations are derived the relation in-between. **Hence** we must conclude that **primary entities exist in space**. Space is therefore an unavoidable characteristic of any possible world” ■

[348, pp 155] “Entities, to which reference can be made in simple, empirical assertions, must exist in space; they must be spatial, i.e., have a certain extension in all directions; they must therefore “fill up some space”, have surface and form.” From this, by further reasoning one can develop notions of points, line, surface, etc., i.e., Euclidean as well as non-Euclidean **geometry**. We refer to Sects. 2.4 on Page 22 and 2.4.4 on Page 23 for more on space.

1.3.2.7 States

We introduce a notion of **state**. [348, pp 158–159] “Entities may be ascribed predicates which it is not logically necessary that they are ascribed. How can that be possible? Only if we accept that entities may be ascribed predicates which are in-commensurable with predicates that they are actually ascribed.” That is possible, we must conclude, if entities can **exist** in distinct **states**. We shall let this notion of state further undefined – till Sect. 3.18.

1.3.2.8 Time and Causality

Definition: 6 Time: [348, pp 159] “Two different states must necessarily be ascribed different incompatible predicates. But how can we ensure so? Only if states stand in an asymmetric relation to one another. This state relation is also transitive. So that is an indispensable property of any world. By a transcendental deduction we say that **primary entities exist in time**. So every possible world must exist in time” ■

We refer to Sect. 2.5 on Page 24 for more on time.

So space and time are not phenomena, i.e., are not entities. They are, by transcendental reasoning, aspects of any possible world, hence, of any description of any domain. In a concentrated series [348, 160-163] of logical reasoning and transcendental deductions, Sørlander, introduce the concepts of the empirical circumstances under which entities exist, implying *non-logical implication* between one-and-the-same entity at distinct times, leading to the notions of **causal effect** and **causal implication** – all deduced transcendently. Whereas Kant’s *causal implication* is transcendently deduced as necessary for the *possibility of self-awareness*. Sørlander’s *causal implication* does not assume *possibility of self-awareness*. The **principle of causality** is a necessary condition for assertions being about the same entity at different times.

1.3.2.9 Kinematics

[348, pp 164] “Entities are in both space and time; therefore it must be assumed that they can change their spatial properties; that is, are subject to **movement**. An entity which changes location is said to **move**. An entity which does not change location is said to be **at rest**.” In this way [348] transcendently introduces the notions of *velocity* and *acceleration*, hence *kinematics*.

1.3.2.10 Dynamics

[348, pp 166] “When combining the *causality principle* with *dynamics* we deduce that when an entity changes its state of movement then there must be a cause, and we call that cause a **force**.” [348, pp 166] “The **change** of state of entity movement must be **proportional** to the applied *force*; an entity not subject to an external force will remain in its *state of movement*: This is **Newton’s 1st Law**.”

[348, pp 166] “But to change an entity’s state of movement, by some force, must imply that the entity exerts a certain **resistance** to that change; the entity must have a **mass**. Changes in an entity’s state of movement besides being proportional to the external force, must be **inverse proportional** to its mass. This is **Newton’s 2nd Law**.”

[348, pp 166-167] “The forces that act upon entities must have as source other entities: entities may **collide**; and when they collide **the forces** they exert on each other must be **the same but with opposite directions**. This is **Newton’s 3rd Law**.”

[348, pp 167-168] “How can entities be the source of forces ? How can they have a mass ? Transcendently it must follow from what we shall refer to as **gravitational pull**. Across all entities of mass, there is a mutual attraction, **Universal Gravitation**.” [348, pp 168-169] “Gravitation must, since it has its origin in the individual entities, propagate with a definite velocity; and that velocity must have a limit, a constant of nature, the **universal speed limit**.”

1.4 From Philosophy to Physics and Biology

Based on logical reasoning and transcendental deductions one can thus derive major aspects of that which must be (assumed to be) in any description of any world, i.e., domain. In our domain description ontology we shall let the notions of **discrete endurants (parts)** and **continuous endurants (non-solids)** cover what we have covered so far: they are those entities which satisfy the laws of physics, hence are in space and time. In the next sections we shall make further use of Sørlander’s Philosophy to logically and transcendently justify the inevitability of **living species: plants** and **animals** including, notably, **humans**, in any description of any domain.

1.4.0.1 Purpose, Life and Evolution

[348, pp 174] “For language and meaning to be possible there must exist entities that are not constrained to just the laws of physics. This is possible if such entities are further subject to a **“purpose-causality”**”

directed at the future. These entities must strive to maintain their own existence.” We shall call such entities **living species**. Living species must maintain and also further develop their form and do so by an exchange of materials with the surroundings, i.e., **metabolism**, with one kind of living species subject only to development, form and **metabolism**, while another kind additionally **move purposefully**. The first we call **plants**, the second **animals**. Animals, consistent with the principle of causality, must possess **sensory organs**, a **motion apparatus**, and **instincts, feelings, promptings** so that what has been sensed, may be responded to [through motion]. The **purpose-directness** of animals must be built into the animals. Biology shows that that is the case. The animal genomes appear to serve the **purpose-directness** of animals. [348, pp 178] “Biology shows that it is so; transcendental deduction that it must be so.”

1.4.0.2 Awareness, Learning and Language

[348, pp 180] “Animals, to **learn** from **experience**, must be able to feel **inclination** and **disinclination**, and must be able to remember that it has acted in some way leading to either the feeling of inclination or disinclination. As a consequence, an animal, if when acting in response to sense impression, t , experiences the positive feeling of inclination (desire), then it will respond likewise when again receiving sense impression t , until it is no longer so inclined. If, in contrast, the animal feels the negative feeling of disinclination (dislike), upon sense impression t , then it will avoid responding in this manner when receiving sense impression t .” [348, pp 181] “Awareness is built up from the sense impressions and feelings on the basis of, i.e., from what the individual animal has learned. Different animals can be expected to have different levels of consciousness; and different levels of consciousness assume different biological bases for learning. This is possible, biology tells us, because of there being a central nervous system with building blocks, the neurons, having an inner determination for learning and consciousness.” [348, pp 181–182] “In the mutual interaction between animals of a higher order of consciousness these animals learn to use **signs** developing increasingly complex sign systems, eventually “arriving” at **languages**.” It is thus we single out **humans**. [348, pp 183] “Any human language which can describe reality, must assume the full set of concepts that are prerequisites for any world description.”

1.5 Philosophy, Science and the Arts

We quote extensively from [346, Kai Sørlander, 1997].

[346, pp 178] “Philosophy, science and the arts are products of the human mind.”

[346, pp 179] “Philosophy, science and the arts each have their own goals.

- **Philosophers** seek to find the inescapable characteristics of any world.
- **Scientists** seek to determine how the world actually, really is, and our situation in that world.
- **Artists** seek to create objects for experience.

We shall elaborate.” [346, pp 180] “Simplifying, but not without an element of truth, we can relate the three concepts by the **modalities**:

- *philosophy is the **necessary**,*
- *science is the **real**, and*
- *art is the **possible**.*

... Here we have, then, a distinction between philosophy and science. ... From [345] we can conclude the following about the results of philosophy and science. These results must be consistent [with one another]. This is a necessary condition for their being *correct*. ... The **real** must be a *concrete realisation* of the **necessary**.”

Logic and Mathematics

SPACE, TIME and MATTER

Identity and Mereology

*From Kai Sørlander's Philosophy we can, by logical reasoning, infer **space** and **time** as facts. We do not have to presume them, as did Immanuel Kant. In this chapter we shall examine the concepts of space and time, as already introduced in the previous chapter, and introduce the concept of **matter** as more-or-less ex/implicitly referred to also in Kai Sørlander's Philosophy.*

2.1 Prologue

There are three main elements of this chapter. They are (i) An introduction to notions of **language, logic** and **mathematics**. (ii) The main elements on **space, time** and **matter**. They were already introduced in Chapter 1. In the first two of these we shall make use of notions of mathematical logic introduced earlier. (iii) Finally a cursory, i.e., an initial view of the notions of **identity** and **mereology** – also already introduced in that chapter, Chapter 1. Identity and mereology will be core *internal qualities* of endurants – and dealt with in Sects. 4.2 and 4.3. Mereology will be further treated in Appendix B.

Space can be logically reasoned to exist. So can time. Matter is implicit in Kai Sørlander's Philosophy – in that the properties that can be expressed about entities include properties that, by transcendental deduction, entail matter: that which one can see and touch and those which can be [otherwise] “measured”, that is, that exist in space and satisfy laws of nature.

2.2 Logic

Definition: 7 Logic: By **logic** we shall here mean: the kind of reasoning that was shown in Chapter 1. It was based on *the possibility of truth*, and hence on *the necessity of negation*, from which was derived the logic operators *conjunction* and *disjunction* and, subsequently, as a result of *the necessity of existence*, *identity* and *multiplicity* of entities, the *equality* operator.

In this monograph we are indeed very much concerned with the logic of domains.

Philosophical logic is the branch of study that concerns questions about reference, predication, identity, truth, quantification, existence, entailment, modality, and necessity. Philosophical logic includes the application of formal logical techniques to philosophical problems.

2.3 Mathematics

Mathematics has no generally accepted definition¹.

By **mathematics** we shall here, *operationally*² mean the study and knowledge of algebra, calculus, combinatorics, geometry, graph theory, logic, whence **mathematical logic**, number theory, probability, set theory, statistics et cetera. – alphabetically listed !

¹ Mathematics is what mathematicians do !

² – that is, in terms of the names of fields of mathematics

2.3.1 Mathematical Logic

Definition: 8 Mathematical Logic: By **mathematical logic** we shall here mean: the study and knowledge of set theory, propositions, predicates, first-order logic, definability, model theory, proof theory and recursion theory. – more-or-less arbitrarily listed !

Some basic notions of mathematical logic are: **truth values:** true, false, chaos³, \sim true, \sim false, $\text{true} \wedge \text{false}$, $\sim \text{true} \wedge \text{false}$, ...; **ground terms:** $\sim a$, $a \wedge b$, $a \vee b$, $a \Rightarrow b$, $a = b$, $a \neq b$, $a \equiv b$ (variables a , b , ... to range over truth values), **propositions:** true, false, \sim true, \sim false, $\text{true} \wedge \text{false}$, $\sim \text{true} \wedge \text{false}$, ..., a , b , ..., $a \wedge \text{true}$, $a \wedge b$, ...; and **predicates:** true, false, \sim true, \sim false, $\text{true} \wedge \text{false}$, $\sim \text{true} \wedge \text{false}$, ..., a , b , ..., $a \wedge \text{true}$, $a \wedge b$, ..., $\forall x: X \cdot \text{true}$, $\forall x: X \cdot x \wedge \dots$, $\exists x: X \cdot x \wedge \dots$

Three cornerstones of mathematical logic are: *inference rules*, *axiom systems* and *proofs*.

Definition: 9 Inference Rules: An *inference rule* consists of a list of one or more *premises* (predicates) and a *conclusion* (also a logical term):

$$p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n \vdash c.$$

This expression states that whenever in the course of some logical derivation the given premises, (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n) , have been obtained, the specified conclusion, c , can be taken for granted as well ■

Definition: 10 Axioms and Axiom System: An *axiom* (or a *postulate*) is a statement that is taken to be true, to serve as a premise or starting point for further reasoning and arguments ■

An *axiom system* is a set of one or more axioms ■

We illustrate some axiom systems. *Metric Space*, Axiom System 1 on Page 24; J. van Benthem's *A Continuum Theory of Time*, Axiom System 2 on Page 27; and Wayne D. Blizard's *A Theory of Time-Space*, Axiom System 3 on Page 27. These are brought, not because we shall actually 'use' them, but to illustrate what axiom systems are.

Definition: 11 Proof: Proof, in logic, is an argument that establishes the validity of a proposition, p . The argument usually requires a sequence of proof steps, i , each, usually, refers to the steps in the argument that represents the premises, a proof rule, and the conclusion, c , which becomes a new step ■

Some related concepts of mathematical logic in software engineering are: *interpretation*, *satisfiability*, *validity* and *model*.

Definition: 12 Interpretation: By an interpretation of a predicate we mean an assignment of a truth value to a predicate where the assignment may entail an assignment of values, in general, to the terms of the predicate ■

Definition: 13 Satisfiability: By the satisfiability of a predicate we mean that the predicate is true for some interpretation ■

Definition: 14 Validity: By the validity of a predicate we mean that the predicate is true for all interpretations ■

Definition: 15 Model: By a model of a predicate (an axiom system) we mean an interpretation for which the predicate (of the axiom system) holds ■

³ Yes, our notations, both the mathematical and RSL, have a three-valued logic where evaluation of a Boolean expression involving **chaos** leads to everything being undefined !

2.3.2 Sets

Set theory is a branch of mathematical logic that studies sets, which informally are collections of objects. Although any type of object can be collected into a set, set theory is applied most often to objects that are relevant to mathematics [Wikipedia]. We shall make extensive use of the Zermelo-Fraenkel [155] version (1908, 1921) of set theory⁴. We refer to Appendix Sect. D.1.1 on Page 311 item [7] and Item 7 on Page 312, Sect. D.3.2 on Page 314, and Sect. D.3.6 on Page 316.

2.3.3 Types

Definition: 16 Type: By a *type* [as a noun] we shall mean a possibly infinite set of values^a of some kind.

^a We shall take a classical set-theoretic, i.e., Zermelo-Fraenkel [155], view of types and sort in this monograph.

The ‘kind’ is what determines the type. The type of natural numbers, including the number 0, we give the name **Nat**; the integer type is named **Intg**; the type of real numbers is named **Real**. The type of truth values, Booleans, is named **Bool**.

When defining types, which we shall very often need to do, we shall make use of the RAISE Specification Language (RSL)’s type definition concept. We refer to Appendix Sect. D.1 on Page 311. We shall often use the term ‘type’ in the specific sense of there being a model for values of the type in the form of either the basic, atomic types given above, or in the form of

- mathematical sets, *A-set*, *A-infset*⁵,
- Cartesian products, $A \times B \times \dots \times C$ ⁶,
- sequences, A^* , A^ω ⁷,
- maps, $A \xrightarrow{m} B$ ⁸, and
- functions, $A \rightarrow B$ or $A \xrightarrow{\sim} B$ ⁹,

over basic or mathematical values, i.e., types A, B, C , etc.

We use the RSL type definition approach. **T** stands for types. **S** stands for sorts. **Q** stands for further undefined atomic values. Recursively defined map and function types are not allowed.

T ::=	Bool Nat Intg Real Q S	
	T-set T-infset	[finite, respectively possibly infinite sets]
	$T \times T \times \dots \times T$	[Cartesians]
	T^* T^ω	[finite, respectively possibly infinite lists]
	$T \xrightarrow{m} T$ $T \xrightarrow{\sim} T$	[maps, respectively bijective maps]
	$T \rightarrow T$ $T \xrightarrow{\sim} T$	[total, respectively partial functions]

Definition: 17 Sort: We shall use the term ‘sort’ to designate a possibly infinite set of values of some further undefined kind.

The term ‘sort’ is commonly used in algebraic semantics [338].

⁴ en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zermelo-Fraenkel_set_theory

⁵ finite sets can be enumerated: $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$. Operators are $\in, \cup, \cap, \subseteq, \subset, \notin$, **cardinality**, etc.

⁶ Cartesians are expressed as (a, b, \dots, c) .

⁷ finite sequences can be enumerated: $\langle a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \rangle$. Operators are **hd** (head), **tl** (tail), **length**, \wedge , $[i]$, **elems**, etc.

⁸ finite maps can be enumerated: $[a_1 \mapsto b_1, a_2 \mapsto b_2, \dots, a_n \mapsto b_n]$. Operators are: $\cdot (m(a))$, **domain**, **rng** (range), etc.

⁹ Functions are defined: $\lambda x \bullet \mathcal{E}(x)$, see Example 3 on the following page.

2.3.4 Functions

Definition: 18 Function: By a function we shall understand ‘something’, which when *applied* to an *argument* value of some type, say A , yields a *result* value of some type, say B (where A and B may be the same type).

Definition: 19 Signature: By the signature of a function we mean a quadruple: (i) the, or a, name of the function, (ii) either the total function designator, \rightarrow , or the partial function designator, $\rightarrow\sim$, (iii) the type of its argument value(s), and (iv) the type of its result value.

Let the name of (i, iii, iv) be f , A and B , respectively, then we present the signature of the total and the partial functions f as follows:

value $f: A \rightarrow B$ **value** $f: A \rightarrow\sim B$

Example 3 A Classical Function Definition A classical function is the *factorial* function. It can, for example, be defined as follows:

value $f: \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{Nat}$, $f(n) \equiv \text{if } n \equiv 0 \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } n \times f(n-1) \text{ end}$

2.3.4.1 Total and Partial Functions

Definition: 20 Total Function: By a total function we mean a function which is defined for all arguments of its argument type.

Definition: 21 Partial Function: By a partial function we mean a function which is not defined for all the values of its argument type.

2.3.4.2 Predicate Functions

Definition: 22 Predicate: By a predicate we mean a function whose result type is Boolean, i.e., **Bool**.

Predicates are, by necessity, total functions.

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We have listed a number of concepts of mathematical logic. Several of these have related to the possibility of proofs. But *a las* ! In this monograph we shall use the notation of mathematical logic extensively. But not for proofs of properties neither of our descriptions nor of domains. We shall leave the ultimately desirable goal of formulating such properties: invariants and laws, and of their proofs to follow on the heels of this monograph. Before we can run we must learn to walk.

2.3.5 Mathematical Notation versus Formal Specification Languages

2.3.5.1 Mathematics as a Notation – in General

We shall primarily make use of mathematics as a precise notation in which to express ideas about and the prompt calculi — including some, usually not computable, functions. That is: we shall not use mathematics to develop a proper theory of domain analysis & description. For that we refer to [62, *Domain Analysis: Endurants – An Analysis & Description Process Model, 2014*]. We have indicated issues of axiom systems, and we shall illustrate three axiom systems in this chapter: an *Axiom System for Metric Spaces*, Sect. 2.4.5 on Page 23; J. van Benthem’s *A Continuum Theory of Time*, Sect. 2.5.4 on Page 26; and Wayne D. Blizard’s *A Theory of Time Space*, Sect. 2.5.5 on Page 27.

2.3.5.2 Mathematics as a Notation – in Specific

In many of the more than 100 examples, cf. appendix Sect. E.2 on Page 332 [an index of all examples], those that illustrate formalisation of domains, we use RSL [176], the RAISE Specification Language [179]. But almost elsewhere in the text, in particular in Chapters 3–6, we use a mathematical notation. We comment here on that notation.

Mathematics “as our notation” reflects that the mathematics we rely upon is what is often referred to as *discrete mathematics* [349, 138, 316, 248, 247, 137, 310, 7]. By *discrete mathematics* we mean such mathematics, whose disciplines rests *set theory* and *mathematical logic*, entails important constructive mathematical structures as

- [i] **sets**, i.e., definite or indefinite collections of mathematical values, $\{a, b, \dots, c\}$, respectively $\{a, b, \dots\}$ (where the \dots , see below, indicates “and so forth, possibly “ad infinitum”);
- [ii] **Cartesians**, i.e., definite groupings of mathematical values, (a, b, \dots, c) , of mathematical values;
- [iii] **lists**, i.e., definite or indefinite sequences of mathematical values, $\langle a, b, \dots, c \rangle$, respectively $\langle a, b, \dots \rangle$;
- [iv] **maps**, e.g., m , i.e., explicitly enumerated functions, $[a_1 \mapsto b_1, a_2 \mapsto b_2, \dots, a_n \mapsto b_n]$, from finite definition sets, $\text{dom } m = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$, to finite range, or co-domain sets, $\text{rng } m = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$, of mathematical values; and
- [v] **functions**, i.e., *lambda-definable* [125, 102, 15, 16, 17] function values: $\lambda x. \mathcal{E}(x)$ where x is an arbitrary free identifier and $\mathcal{E}(x)$ is an arbitrary expression in which x occurs, usually free – the expressions $\mathcal{E}(x)$ otherwise over the kind of values listed above and including respective operators.

The mathematical values include *ground* values of

- *Booleans*, **false**, **true**, **chaos** : **Bool**;
- *natural numbers*, 0, 1, 2, \dots : **Nat**;
- *integers*, $\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots$: **Intg**; and
- *reals*, $\dots, -3.14159265359\dots, -0.5, \dots, 0, \dots, 1, +2.71828182846\dots, \dots$: **Real**.

The mathematical values finally include such which are defined through a **type definition** system “inherited” from RSL. In general our mathematical notation includes many of the clause structures of RSL, structures also found in VDM SL [30, 153, 154], its predecessor, as well as in many programming languages since Algol 60 [257]¹⁰ We refer to Appendix Sect. D for details. Example clause structures are:

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|---|--|
| • var := clause, | • while e do c end , |
| • if b then c else a end , | • do c while e end , |
| • case p of e ₁ \rightarrow c ₁ , \dots , e _n \rightarrow c _n end , | • c ₁ ; \dots , c _n and |
| • (p ₁ \rightarrow c ₁ , \dots , p _n \rightarrow c _n) or (p ₁ \rightarrow c ₁ , \dots , $_ \rightarrow$ c _n), | • skip . |
| • for $\forall e : E \bullet e \in \text{set}$ do c(e) end , | |

That is commensurate with the fact the the formal specification languages, VDM SL [88, 89, 154] and RSL [176], (whose development and initial use, this author has been and is actively involved in since their inception) deeply reflects a *discrete mathematics*

2.3.5.2.1 The Dot-dot-dot Notation

It is very common, also in strict, “formalistic” mathematics papers to use an inductive form of dot notation: \dots . Our mathematics notation deploys that good practice. As an interesting paper we refer to [5, *Deductive Synthesis of Dot Expressions*].

¹⁰ Algol W [368], CPL [18], PL/1 [278], Algol 68 [29, 106, 21], Pascal [255, 369], Modula [370, 295], Oberon [371, 372, 373], Ada [31], CHILL [116, 107, 194, 8], Java [184, 342], C# [234], etc.

2.3.5.2.2 The Quote Notation

Here comes an interesting “twist” to our mathematical notation. We refer to the use of **quotes** By **quoting** an expression, say the expression **if b then c else a end**, that is, by writing “**if b then c else a end**” we mean, not the valuation of the unquoted expression, but the text between the quotes; that is, we use the “bracketing” symbols “ ... ” to indicate what, ..., is quoted.

Our need for quoting is motivated as follows: The whole purpose of *domain analysis & description* is to be able to (i) logically analyse a domain and (ii) produce a textual description of that domain. It is with respect to the description procedures that there is a need for mathematically formally specify that a textual description be yielded. Hence the quotes.

So keep your mind straight when, in Chapters 3–6 we “switch” between mathematical notation’s use of quotes with RSL-like expressions and “clean” RSL with no [need for] quotes.

Historically the use of quoting can be attributed to John McCarthy [279, 280, 281, 1960s]¹¹ and is manifest in Lisp [282]. Lisp’s use of quotes is explained and discussed by Miles Bain in milesmbain.xyz/the-roots-of--quotation, in en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/M-expression [Wikipedia], stackoverflow.com/questions/-134887/when-to-use-or-quote-in-lisp and gnu.org/software/emacs/manual/html_node/elisp/Quoting.html.

2.3.5.3 An Interplay between Mathematical Notation and Specification Languages

Thus this monograph illustrates a common phenomenon: that research–in–progress, into computing science, sometimes, as here, starts with, as here, domain analysis & description ideas, proceeds with these, making use of mathematical notation, gradually introducing more formal specification language-like notation, while eventually, and thus, as here, implicitly, evolving what looks like a full, formal specification language. We have not found the need, here, to design such a proper *domain analyser & describer* language. Mathematical notation has no formal syntax and no formal semantics. So, for the time being, “RSL”, and as we shall later introduce, RSL^+ , has no formal syntax and no formal semantics. We leave that to interested readers !

2.4 Space

Mathematicians and physicists model space in, for example, the form of Hausdorf (or topological) space¹²; or a metric space which is a set for which distances between all members of the set are defined; Those distances, taken together, are called a metric on the set; a metric on a space induces topological properties like open and closed sets, which lead to the study of more abstract topological spaces; or Euclidean space, due to *Euclid of Alexandria*.

2.4.1 Space Motivated Philosophically

Definition: 23 Indefinite Space: We motivate the concept of indefinite space as follows: [348, pp 154] “The two relations *asymmetric* and *symmetric*, by a transcendental deduction, can be given an interpretation: The relation (spatial) *direction* is asymmetric; and the relation (spatial) *distance* is symmetric. Direction and distance can be understood as spatial relations. From these relations are derived the relation *in-between*. Hence we must conclude that *primary entities exist in space*. Space is therefore an unavoidable characteristic of any possible world” ■

From the direction and distance relations one can derive *Euclidean Geometry*.

Definition: 24 Definite Space: By a *definite space* we shall understand a space with a definite metric ■

There is but just one space. It is all around us, from the inner earth to the farthest galaxy. It is not manifest. We can not observe it as we observe a road or a human.

¹¹ John McCarthy: www-formal.stanford.edu/jmc/recursive.pdf

Paul Graham: www.paulgraham.com/rootsoflisp.html

Paul Graham: sep.yimg.com/ty/cdn/paulgraham/jmc.ps?t=1564708198&

¹² Armstrong, M. A. (1983) [1979]. Basic Topology. Undergraduate Texts in Mathematics. Springer. ISBN 0-387-90839-0.

2.4.2 The Spatial Value

67 There is an abstract notion of (definite) **SPACE**(s) of further unanalysable points; and
 68 there is a notion of **POINT** in **SPACE**.

type

67 **SPACE**

68 **POINT**

Space is not an attribute of endurants. Space is just there. So we do not define an observer, **observe_space**. For us, bound to model mostly artifactual worlds on this earth there is but one space. Although **SPACE**, as a type, could be thought of as defining more than one space we shall consider these isomorphic !

2.4.3 Spatial Observers

69 A point observer, **observe_POINT**, is a function which applies to physical endurants, e , and yield a point, $\ell : \text{POINT}$.

value

69 **observe_POINT**: $E \rightarrow \text{POINT}$

2.4.4 Spatial Attributes

We suggest, besides **POINTS**, the following spatial attribute possibilities:

- 70 **EXTENT** as a dense set of **POINTS**;
- 71 **Volume**, of concrete type, for example, m^3 , as the “volume” of an **EXTENT** such that
- 72 **SURFACES** as dense sets of **POINTS** have no volume, but an
- 73 **Area**, of concrete type, for example, m^2 , as the “area” of a dense set of **POINTS**;
- 74 **LINE** as dense set of **POINTS** with no volume and no area, but
- 75 **Length**, of concrete type, for example, m .

For these we have that

- 76 the *intersection*, \cap , of two **EXTENT**s is an **EXTENT** of possibly nil **Volume**,
- 77 the *intersection*, \cap , of two **SURFACES** may be either a possibly nil **SURFACE** or a possibly nil **LINE**, or a combination of these.
- 78 the *intersection*, \cap , of two **LINE**s may be either a possibly nil **LINE** or a **POINT**.

Similarly we can define

- 79 the *union*, \cup , of two not-disjoint **EXTENT**s,
- 80 the *union*, \cup , of two not-disjoint **SURFACES**,
- 81 the *union*, \cup , and of two not-disjoint **LINE**s.

and:

- 82 the *[in]equality*, $\neq, =$, of pairs of **EXTENT**, pairs of **SURFACES**, and pairs of **LINE**s.

We invite the reader to first first express the signatures for these operations, then their pre-conditions, and finally, being courageous, appropriate fragments of axiom systems.

2.4.5 Mathematical Models of Space

Figure 2.1 on the next page diagrams some mathematical models of space. We shall hint a just one of these spaces.

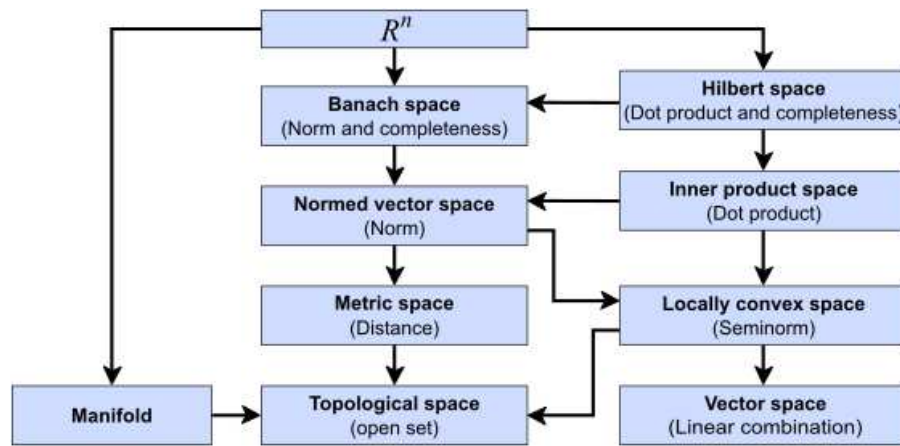


Fig. 2.1. Variety of Abstract Spaces An arrow from space A to space B implies that A is also a kind of B .

2.4.5.1 Metric Spaces

Metric Space

Axiom System 1

A metric space is an ordered pair (M, d) where M is a set and d is a metric on M , i.e., a function:

$$d : M \times M \rightarrow \text{Real}$$

such that for any $x, y, z \in M$, the following holds:

$$d(x, y) = 0 \equiv x = y \quad \text{identity of indiscernibles} \quad (2.1)$$

$$d(x, y) = d(y, x) \quad \text{symmetry} \quad (2.2)$$

$$d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z) \quad \text{sub-additivity or triangle inequality} \quad (2.3)$$

Given the above three axioms, we also have that $d(x, y) \geq 0$ for any $x, y \in M$. This is deduced as follows:

$$d(x, y) + d(y, x) \geq d(x, x) \quad \text{triangle inequality} \quad (2.4)$$

$$d(x, y) + d(y, x) \geq d(x, x) \quad \text{by symmetry} \quad (2.5)$$

$$2d(x, y) \geq 0 \quad \text{identity of indiscernibles} \quad (2.6)$$

$$d(x, y) \geq 0 \quad \text{non-negativity} \quad (2.7)$$

The function d is also called distance function or simply distance. Often, d is omitted and one just writes M for a metric space if it is clear from the context what metric is used.

2.5 Time

a moving image of eternity;
the number of the movement in respect of the before and the after;
the life of the soul in movement as it passes
from one stage of act or experience to another;
a present of things past: memory,
a present of things present: sight,
and a present of things future: expectations¹³

¹³ Quoted from [12, Cambridge Dictionary of Philosophy]

This thing all things devours:
 Birds, beasts, trees, flowers;
 Gnaws iron, bites steel,
 Grinds hard stones to meal;
 Slays king, ruins town,
 And beats high mountain down.¹⁴

Concepts of time continue to fascinate philosophers and scientists [353, 152, 284, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 335] and [156].

2.5.1 Time Motivated Philosophically

Definition: 25 Indefinite Time: We motivate the abstract notion of time as follows. [348, pp 159] “Two different states must necessarily be ascribed different incompatible predicates. But how can we ensure so? Only if states stand in an asymmetric relation to one another. This state relation is also transitive. So that is an indispensable property of any world. By a transcendental deduction we say that *primary entities exist in time. So every possible world must exist in time*” ■

Definition: 26 Definite Time: By a *definite time* we shall understand an abstract representation of time such as for example year, month, day, hour, minute, second, et cetera ■

Temporal Notions of Endurants

Example 4 By temporal notions of endurants we mean time properties of endurants, usually modelled as attributes. Examples are: (i) the time stamped link traffic, cf. Item 191 on Page 100 and (ii) the time stamped hub traffic, cf. Item 187 on Page 99.

2.5.2 Time Values

We shall not be concerned with any representation of time. That is, we leave it to the domain analyser cum describer to choose an own representation [156]. Similarly we shall not be concerned with any representation of time intervals.¹⁵

- 83 So there is an abstract type *Time*,
- 84 and an abstract type *TI*: *TimeInterval*.
- 85 There is no *Time* origin, but there is a “zero” *TI*me interval.
- 86 One can add (subtract) a time interval to (from) a time and obtain a time.
- 87 One can add and subtract two time intervals and obtain a time interval – with subtraction respecting that the subtrahend is smaller than or equal to the minuend.
- 88 One can subtract a time from another time obtaining a time interval respecting that the subtrahend is smaller than or equal to the minuend.
- 89 One can multiply a time interval with a real and obtain a time interval.
- 90 One can compare two times and two time intervals.

¹⁴ J.R.R. Tolkien, The Hobbit

¹⁵ – but point out, that although a definite time interval may be referred to by number of years, number of days (less than 365), number of hours (less than 24), number of minutes (less than 60) number of seconds (less than 60), et cetera, this is not a time, but a time interval.

```

type
83  T
84  TI
value
85  0:TI
86  +,-: T × TI → T
87  +,-: TI × TI → TI
88  -: T × T → TI
89  *: TI × Real → TI
90  <,<=,=,>,>=: T × T → Bool
90  <,<=,=,>,>=: TI × TI → Bool
axiom
86  ∀ t:T • t+0 = t

```

2.5.3 Temporal Observers

91 We define the signature of the meta-physical time observer.

```

type
91  T
value
91  record_TIME(): Unit → T

```

The time recorder applies to nothing and yields a time. **record_TIME()** can only occur in action, event and behavioural descriptions.

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Caveat: You may wish to skip the rest of this chapter’s many sections, i.e., Sects. 2.5.4–2.5.10, on time. That may come as a surprise to you. But in our domain modelling we shall refrain from modelling temporal aspects of domains ! So why bring all this material ? We bring (“all”) this material so that you will know what you are missing ! That is, what should also be considered in domain modelling. We therefore leave it to others¹⁶ to redress this omission. Besides, most of the present work on applying temporal logics in our field has been to software design (requirements).

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Modern models of time, by mathematicians and physicists evolve around spacetime¹⁷ We shall not be concerned with this notion of time.

Models of time related to computing differs from those of mathematicians and physicists in focusing on divergence and convergence, zero (Zenon) time and interleaving time [377] are relevant in studies of real-time, typically distributed computing systems. We shall also not be concerned with this notion of time.

2.5.4 J. van Benthem

The following is taken from Johan van Benthem [353]: Let P be a point structure (for example, a set). Think of time as a continuum; the following axioms characterise ordering ($<$, $=$, $>$) relations between (i.e., aspects of) time points. The axioms listed below are not thought of as an axiom system, that is, as a set of independent axioms all claimed to hold for the time concept, which we are encircling. Instead van Benthem offers the individual axioms as possible “blocks” from which we can then “build” our own time system — one that suits the application at hand, while also fitting our intuition. Time is transitive: If $p < p'$ and $p' < p''$ then $p < p''$. Time may not loop, that is, is not reflexive: $p \not< p$. Linear time can be defined: Either one time comes before, or is equal to, or comes after another time. Time can be left-linear, i.e., linear “to the left” of a given time. One could designate a time axis as beginning at some time, that is, having no predecessor times. And one can designate a time axis as ending at some time, that is, having no successor times. General, past and future successors (predecessors, respectively successors in daily talk)

¹⁶ – that is: other researchers, lecturers, textbooks

¹⁷ The concept of **Spacetime** was first “announced” by Hermann Minkowski, 1907–08 – based on work by Henri Poincaré, 1905–06, https://en.wikisource.org/wiki/Translation:The_Fundamental_Equations_for_Electromagnetic_Processes_in_Moving_Bodies

can be defined. Time can be dense: Given any two times one can always find a time between them. Discrete time can be defined.

A Continuum Theory of Time

Axiom System 2

- [TRANS: Transitivity] $\forall p, p', p'': P \cdot p < p' < p'' \Rightarrow p < p''$
- [IRREF: Irreflexivity] $\forall p: P \cdot p \not< p$
- [LIN: Linearity] $\forall p, p': P \cdot (p = p' \vee p < p' \vee p > p')$
- [L-LIN: Left Linearity]
 $\forall p, p', p'': P \cdot (p' < p \wedge p'' < p) \Rightarrow (p' < p'' \vee p' = p'' \vee p'' < p')$
- [BEG: Beginning] $\exists p: P \cdot \sim \exists p': P \cdot p' < p$
- [END: Ending] $\exists p: P \cdot \sim \exists p': P \cdot p < p'$
- [SUCC: Successor]
 - [PAST: Predecessors] $\forall p: P, \exists p': P \cdot p' < p$
 - [FUTURE: Successor] $\forall p: P, \exists p': P \cdot p < p'$
- [DENS: Dense] $\forall p, p': P (p < p' \Rightarrow \exists p'': P \cdot p < p'' < p')$
- [CDENS: Converse Dense] \equiv [TRANS: Transitivity]
 $\forall p, p': P (\exists p'': P \cdot p < p'' < p' \Rightarrow p < p')$
- [DISC: Discrete]
 $\forall p, p': P \cdot (p < p' \Rightarrow \exists p'': P \cdot (p < p'' \wedge \sim \exists p''': P \cdot (p < p''' < p''))) \wedge$
 $\forall p, p': P \cdot (p < p' \Rightarrow \exists p'': P \cdot (p'' < p' \wedge \sim \exists p''': P \cdot (p'' < p''' < p')))$

A strict partial order, SPO, is a point structure satisfying TRANS and IRREF. TRANS, IRREF and SUCC imply infinite models. TRANS and SUCC may have finite, “looping time” models.

2.5.5 Wayne D. Blizard: A Theory of Time–Space

We shall present an axiom system [101, Wayne D. Blizard, 1980] which relate abstracted entities to spatial points and time. Let A, B, \dots stand for entities, p, q, \dots for spatial points, and t, τ for times. 0 designates a first, a begin time. Let t' stand for the discrete time successor of time t . Let $N(p, q)$ express that p and q are spatial neighbours. Let $=$ be an overloaded equality operator applicable, pairwise to entities, spatial locations and times, respectively. A_p^t expresses that entity A is at location p at time t . The axioms — where we omit (obvious) typings (of A, B, P, Q , and T): ' designates the time successor function: t' .

A Theory of Time–Space

Axiom System 3

- (I) $\forall A \forall t \exists p : A_p^t$
- (II) $(A_p^t \wedge A_q^t) \supset p = q$
- (III) $(A_p^t \wedge B_p^t) \supset A = B$
- (IV)(?) $(A_p^t \wedge A_p^{t'}) \supset t = t'$
- (V i) $\forall p, q : N(p, q) \supset p \neq q$ Irreflexivity
- (V ii) $\forall p, q : N(p, q) = N(q, p)$ Symmetry
- (V iii) $\forall p \exists q, r : N(p, q) \wedge N(p, r) \wedge q \neq r$ No isolated locations
- (VI i) $\forall t : t \neq t'$
- (VI ii) $\forall t : t' \neq 0$
- (VI iii) $\forall t : t \neq 0 \supset \exists \tau : t = \tau'$
- (VI iv) $\forall t, \tau : \tau' = t' \supset \tau = t$
- (VII) $A_p^t \wedge A_q^{t'} \supset N(p, q)$
- (VIII) $A_p^t \wedge B_q^t \wedge N(p, q) \supset \sim (A_q^{t'} \wedge B_p^{t'})$

(II–IV, VII–VIII): The axioms are universally ‘closed’; that is: We have omitted the usual $\forall A, B, p, q, t, s$.

- (I): For every entity, A , and every time, t , there is a location, p , at which A is located at time t .
- (II): An entity cannot be in two locations at the same time.
- (III): Two distinct entities cannot be at the same location at the same time.
- (IV): Entities always move: An entity cannot be at the same location at different times. *This is more like a conjecture: Could be questioned.*
- (V): These three axioms define N .
- (V i): Same as $\forall p : \sim N(p, p)$. “Being a neighbour of”, is the same as “being distinct from”.
- (V ii): If p is a neighbour of q , then q is a neighbour of p .
- (V iii): Every location has at least two distinct neighbours.
- (VI): The next four axioms determine the time successor function $'$.
- (VI i): A time is always distinct from its successor: time cannot rest. There are no time fix points.
- (VI ii): Any time successor is distinct from the begin time. Time 0 has no predecessor.
- (VI iii): Every non-begin time has an immediate predecessor.
- (VI iv): The time successor function $'$ is a one-to-one (i.e., a bijection) function.
- (VII): The *continuous path axiom*: If entity A is at location p at time t , and it is at location q in the immediate next time (t'), then p and q are neighbours.
- (VIII): No “switching”: If entities A and B occupy neighbouring locations at time t then it is not possible for A and B to have switched locations at the next time (t').

Except for Axiom (IV) the system applies both to systems of entities that “sometimes” rests, i.e., do not move. These entities are spatial and occupy at least a point in space. If some entities “occupy more” space volume than others, then we interpret, in a suitable manner, the notion of the point space P (etc.). We do not show so here.

2.5.6 “Soft” and “Hard” Real-time

We loosely identify a spectrum of from “soft” to “hard” temporalities — through some informally worded texts. On that background we can introduce the term ‘real-time’. And hence distinguish between ‘soft’ and ‘hard’ real-time issues. From an example of trying to formalise these in RSL, we then set the course for this chapter.

2.5.7 Soft Temporalities

You have often wished, we assume, that “*your salary never goes down, say between your ages of 25 to 65*”.

How to express that?

Taking into account other factors, you may additionally wish that “*your salary goes up*.”

How do we express that?

Taking also into account that your job is a seasonal one, we may need to refine the above into “*between un-employments your salary does not go down*”.

How now to express that?

2.5.8 Hard Temporalities

The above quoted (“...”) statements may not have convinced you about the importance of speaking precisely about time, whether narrating or formalising.

So let’s try some other examples:

“*The alarm clock must sound exactly at 6 am unless someone has turned it off sometime between 5am and 6 am the same morning.*”

“*The gas valve must be open for exactly 20 seconds every 60 seconds.*”

“*The sum total of time periods — during which the gas valve is open and there is no flame consuming the gas — must not exceed one twentieth of the time the gas valve is open.*”

“*The time between pressing an elevator call button on any floor and the arrival of the cage and the opening of the cage door at that floor must not exceed a given time t_{arrival} .*”

The next sections will hint at ways and means of speaking of time.

2.5.9 Soft and Hard Real-time

The informally worded temporalities of “soft real-time” can be said to involve time in a very “soft” way:

No explicit times (eg., 15:45:00), deadlines (eg., “27th February 2004”), or time intervals (eg., “within 2 hours”), were expressed.

The informally worded temporalities of “hard real-time”, in contrast, can be said to involve time in a “hard” way: Explicit times were mentioned.

For pragmatic reasons, we refer to the former examples, the former “invocations” of ‘temporality’, as being representative of soft real-time, whereas we say that the latter invocations are typical of hard real-time.

Please do not confuse the issue of soft versus hard real-time: It is as much hard real-time if we say that something must happen two light years and five seconds from tomorrow at noon!

Soft Real-Time Models Expressed in “Ordinary” RSL Logic

Example 5 Let us assume a salary data base SDB which at any time records your salary. In the conventional way of modelling time in RSL we assume that SDB maps time into Salary:

```

type
  Time, Sal
  SDB = Time  $\mapsto$  Sal
value
  hi: (Sal  $\times$  Sal) | (Time  $\times$  Time)  $\rightarrow$  Bool
  eq: (Sal  $\times$  Sal) | (Time  $\times$  Time)  $\rightarrow$  Bool
  lo: (Sal  $\times$  Sal) | (Time  $\times$  Time)  $\rightarrow$  Bool
axiom
   $\forall \sigma: \text{SDB}, t, t': \text{Time} \cdot \{t, t'\} \subseteq \text{dom } \sigma \wedge \text{hi}(t', t) \Rightarrow \sim \text{lo}(\sigma(t'), \sigma(t))$ 
   $\forall t, t': \text{Time} \cdot$ 
     $(\text{hi}(t', t) \equiv \sim(\text{eq}(t', t) \vee \text{lo}(t', t))) \wedge$ 
     $(\text{lo}(t', t) \equiv \sim(\text{eq}(t', t) \vee \text{hi}(t', t))) \wedge$ 
     $(\text{eq}(t', t) \equiv \sim(\text{lo}(t', t) \vee \text{hi}(t', t))) \dots$  /* same for Sal */

```

Hard Real-Time Models Expressed in “Ordinary” RSL Logic

Example 6 To express hard real-time using just RSL we must assume a demon, a process which represents the clock:

```

type
   $\mathbb{T} = \text{Real}$ 
value
  time: Unit  $\rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ 
  time() as t
axiom
  time()  $\neq$  time()

```

The axiom is informal: It states that no two invocations of the time function yields the same value. But this is not enough. We need to express that “immediately consecutive” invocations of the time function yields “adjacent” time points. \mathbb{T} provides a linear model of real-time.

```

variable
  t1, t2 :  $\mathbb{T}$ 
axiom
   $\square (t1 := \text{time}();$ 
     $t2 := \text{time}();$ 
     $t2 - t1 = /* \text{infinitesimally small time interval: } \mathbb{T}\mathbb{I}^* / \wedge$ 

```

$$t_2 > t_1 \wedge \sim \exists t: T \cdot t_1 < t < t_2$$

\mathbb{TI} provides a linear model of intervals of real-time.¹⁸ The \Box operator is here the “standard” RSL modal operator over states: Let P be a predicate involving globally declared variables. Then $\Box P$ asserts that P holds in any state (of these variables). But even this is not enough. Much more is needed.

2.5.10 Temporal Logics

“The term Temporal Logic has been broadly used to cover all approaches to the representation of temporal information within a logical framework, and also more narrowly to refer specifically to the modal-logic type of approach introduced around 1960 by Arthur Prior under the name of Tense Logic and subsequently developed further by logicians and computer scientists.”¹⁹

“Applications of Temporal Logic include its use as a formalism for clarifying philosophical issues about time, as a framework within which to define the semantics of temporal expressions in natural language, as a language for encoding temporal knowledge in artificial intelligence, and as a tool for handling the temporal aspects of the execution of computer programs.”

2.5.10.1 The Issues

The basic issue is simple: To be able to speak of temporal phenomena without having to explicitly mentioning time. That goes for vague, or “soft” notions of time: What we could call “soft real-time”, that something happens at a time, or during a time interval, but with no “fixing” of absolute times nor time intervals. It also, of course, goes for precise, or “hard” notions of time: What we could call “hard real-time”, that something happens at a very definitive point in time, or during a time interval of a very specific length, and thus with “fixing” of absolute times or time intervals.

2.5.10.2 A. N. Prior’s Tense Logics

We present a philosophical linguistics motivated temporal logic. Following the Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy,²⁰ Arthur Prior [322, 323, 324] developed a *tense logic* along the lines presented below:

- Pp : “It has at some time been the case that p held”
- Fp : “It will at some time be the case that p holds”
- Hp : “It has always been the case that p held”
- Gp : “It will always be the case that p holds”

P and F are known as the weak tense operators, while H and G are known as the strong tense operators. The two pairs are generally regarded as inter-definable by way of the equivalences:

$$\begin{aligned} Pp &\equiv \sim H(\sim p) \\ Fp &\equiv \sim G(\sim p) \end{aligned}$$

On the basis of these intended meanings, Prior used the operators to build formulas expressing various philosophical theses about time, which might be taken as axioms of a formal system if so desired. Some examples of such formulas, with Prior’s own glosses (from [323]), are:

¹⁹ This and the next slanted quoted text paragraphs are taken from <http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/-logic-temporal/>.

²⁰ <http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/prior/>

$Gp \Rightarrow Fp$:
 What will always be, will be
 $G(p \Rightarrow q) \Rightarrow (Gp \Rightarrow Gq)$
 If p will always imply q , then if p will always be the case, so will q
 $Fp \Rightarrow FFp$
 If it will be the case that p , it will be – in between – that it will be
 $\sim Fp \Rightarrow F\sim Fp$
 If it will never be that p then it will be that it will never be that p

A special temporal logic is the Minimal Tense Logic Kt. It is generated by the four axioms:

$p \Rightarrow HFp$
 What is, has always been going to be
 $p \Rightarrow GPp$
 What is, will always have been
 $H(p \Rightarrow q) \Rightarrow (Hp \Rightarrow Hq)$
 Whatever always follows from what always has been, always has been
 $G(p \Rightarrow q) \Rightarrow (Gp \Rightarrow Gq)$
 Whatever always follows from what always will be, always will be

2.5.10.3 The Duration Calculus

The *duration calculus*, DC, is due to Zhou Chao Chen, C.A.R. Hoare, Anders P. Ravn, Michael Reichhardt Hansen and others. The definitive introductory work on DC is [380]. We present a terse summary.

2.5.10.3.1 A Function & Safety Example

We show a classical example.

(1) For a lift system to be adequate it must always be safe and function adequately. There are three functional requirements.

(2) For the lift system to be safe, then for any duration that the door on floor i is open, the lift must be also at that floor.

(3) The length of time between when someone pushes a button, inside a lift cage, to send it to floor i , and the arrival of that cage at floor i must be less than some time t_s .

(4) The length of time between when someone pushes a button, at floor i , to call it to that floor, and the arrival of a cage at that floor must be less than some time t_c .

(5) The length of time that a door is open when a cage is at floor i must be at least some time t_o .

- (1) $\text{Req} \equiv \Box(\text{SafetyReq} \wedge \text{FunctReq1} \wedge \text{FunctReq2} \wedge \text{FunctReq3})$
- (2) $\text{SafetyReq} \equiv [\text{door}=i] \Rightarrow [\text{floor}=i]$
- (3) $\text{FunctReq1} \equiv ([i \in \text{send}] ; \text{true} \Rightarrow \ell \leq t_s) \vee (\ell \leq t_s ; [\text{door}=i] ; \text{true})$
- (4) $\text{FunctReq2} \equiv ([i \in \text{call}] ; \text{true} \Rightarrow \ell \leq t_c) \vee (\ell \leq t_c ; [\text{door}=i] ; \text{true})$
- (5) $\text{FunctReq3} \equiv [\text{door} \neq i] ; [\text{door}=i] ; [\text{door} \neq i] \Rightarrow \ell \geq t_o$

2.5.10.3.2 The Syntax

We only present an overview of the DC syntax. The presentation of this part follows that of Skakkebæk et al. [343] (1992).

2.5.10.3.2.1 **Simple Expressions:** We define simple, i.e., atomic expressions.

x, y, \dots, z : State_Variable
 a, b, \dots, c : Static_Variable
 ff, tt : Bool_Const
 k, k', \dots, k'' : Const

Static variables designate time-independent values. We assume some context which helps us determine the type of variables.

2.5.10.3.2.2 **State Expressions and Assertions:** We define state expressions and state assertions. A state assertion is a state expression of type **Bool**, and **op** is an operator symbol of arity n . We assume a context which helps us determine that an identifier is an **op**!

se : State_Expr ::= Const | Bool_Const | $op(se_1, \dots, se_n)$
 P : State_Asr ::= State_Expr

We assume a context which helps us determine that a state expression is of type **Bool**, i.e., is a state assertion.

2.5.10.3.2.3 **Durations and Duration Terms:** If P is a state assertion, then $\int P$ is a duration.

We define duration terms.

dt : Dur_Term ::= $\int P$ | **Real** | $op(dt_1, \dots, dt_n)$ | ℓ

ℓ is an abbreviation for the duration term $\int tt$. **op** is an n operator symbol of type **Real**. We assume a context which helps us determine that an identifier is an **op**!

2.5.10.3.2.4 **Duration Formulas:** We define duration formulas. Let A be any n -ary predicate symbol over real-valued duration arguments. We assume a context which helps us determine that an identifier is an A !

d : Dur_Form ::= $A(dt_1, \dots, dt_n)$
 | **true** | **false** |
 | $\sim d'$ | $d_1 \vee d_n$
 | $d_1 ; d_n$
 | $d_1 \wedge d_n$
 | $d_1 \Rightarrow d_n$
 | $d_1 \wedge d_n$
 | $\forall a: d \text{ /* } a \text{ is */ Static_Variable}$

Delimiting parentheses can be inserted to clarify precedence.

2.5.10.3.2.5 **Common Duration Formula Abbreviations:** We make free use of the following common abbreviations:

\square	:	$\ell = 0$:	point duration
$\lceil P \rceil$:	$\int P = \ell \wedge \ell > 0$:	almost everywhere P
$\diamond d$:	true ; d ; true	:	somewhere d
$\square d$:	$\neg(\diamond \neg d)$:	always d
$d_1 \rightarrow d_2$:	$d_1 ; \mathbf{true} \Rightarrow d_1 \vee (d : 1 ; d : 2 ; \mathbf{true})$:	d_2 follows d_1

Precedence Rules:

First : $\neg \square \diamond$
 Second : $\vee \wedge ;$
 Third : $\Rightarrow \rightarrow$

2.5.10.3.3 Discussion: From Domains to Designs

We have covered core aspects of the Duration Calculus. The Duration Calculus offers a logic based on intervals and real-time. One can use the Duration Calculus to abstractly express constraints, i.e., requirements, on the duration of states. One can also use the Duration Calculus to abstractly express properties of the domain, i.e., of the application area for which software is sought. And one can finally hint at major design decisions also using the Duration Calculus.

Only in a very implicit sense can Duration Calculus expressions be said to specify sequential programs — such as we are normally prepared to implement in computing systems: in terms of sequential programs. A Duration Calculus expression, however, usually implies a sequential program, or a set of cooperating such. RSL specifications, the “closer” we get to software design, i.e., the more “concrete” such specifications become, rather specifically specify sequential programs. At least, it would be a good idea for the developer to make sure that this is so!

Now how can we combine the ability of the Duration Calculus to express quantitative properties of software (to be designed) and the actual specification of such software?

We turn to this question next. That is, we may seem to completely abandon thoughts and concepts of Duration Calculus, in favour of rather “down to earth” concepts of explicit timing in what could be considered a specification programming language, Timed RSL, TRSL.

2.6 Spatial and Temporal Modelling

It is not always that we are compelled to endow our domain descriptions with those of spatial and/or temporal properties. In our experimental domain descriptions, for example, [67, 95, 71, 69, 42, 55, 64, 36], we have either found no need to model space and/or time, or we model them explicitly, using slightly different types and observers than presented above. We have brought this material on various temporal logics in order to strongly hint at their being used in domain modelling – so there is an interesting challenge!

2.7 Matter

Space, in the sense of *SPACE*, is “inhabited”! The inhabitants are the entities that Kai Sørlander’s Philosophy refers to, Page 13. They possess properties about which we reason. We shall take the view that these entities are of *MATTER*. *Matter is anything that has mass and takes up space.*

The modelling of matters, sometimes referred to as *MATTER*, is done primarily by means of **attributes**. We refer to a future, extensive section, Sect. 4.4, on *Attributes*. But already here is a good place to discuss the ‘matter’ of matter! How does matter manifest itself to you, a human mortal, the *domain analyser & describer*? You, yourself, your body, is a manifestation of matter. The room, you are in, is matter. The things in it, each are matter. The outdoor environment, in which you walk, is matter. Is the air, you breathe, matter? Yes we say! Is the atmosphere²¹ matter? Yes indeed. Really? Does atmosphere have mass? Yes, indeed!

There is a notion: *substance theory*²². We shall not discuss its possible rôle here. But we shall take the liberty of sometimes using the term ‘substance’ in lieu of the term ‘matter’.

2.8 Identity and Mereology

Identity, as a philosophical issue, has emerged from Kai Sørlander’s Philosophy, Chapter 1. We shall make capital use of that concept in this monograph. Mereology, as a philosophical and logic issue, was studied

²¹ – the troposphere, stratosphere, ozone layer, mesosphere, thermosphere, ionosphere, exosphere, ...

²² Substance theory, or substance-attribute theory, is an ontological theory about object-hood positing that a substance is distinct from its properties. A thing-in-itself is a property-bearer that must be distinguished from the properties it bears [Wikipedia].

by Stanisław Leśniewski, a Polish philosopher/logician in the 1920s [271, 359, 344]. We shall likewise make capital use of that concept in this monograph. Section 2.8.2 next provides an informal discussion of the concept.

2.8.1 Identity

It is a fact, that is, an absolutely necessary condition for our description of any world that its entities have unique identity. It is, however a problem in our *domain analyser & describer*, to secure such identity; so we must, wherever necessary present **axioms** expressing so. This will be done in Sect. 4.2. A further treatment of mereology is given in Appendix B.

2.8.2 Mereology: Philosophy and Logic

“Mereology (from the Greek $\mu\epsilon\rho\omicron\varsigma$ ‘part’) is a theory of part-hood relations: of the relations of part to whole and the relations of part to part within a whole”²³.

2.8.2.1 Mereology Understood Spatially

In this contribution we restrict ‘parts’ to be those that, firstly, are spatially distinguishable, then, secondly, while “being based” on such spatially distinguishable parts, are conceptually related. We use the term ‘part’ in a more general sense than in [70]. The relation: “being based”, shall be made clear in this paper. Accordingly two parts, p_x and p_y , (of a same “whole”) are either “adjacent”, or are “embedded within”, one within the other, as loosely indicated in Fig. 2.2. ‘Adjacent’ parts are direct parts of a same third part,

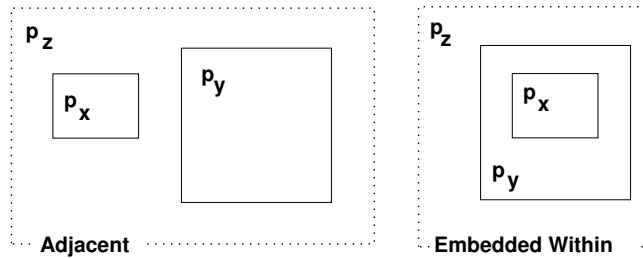


Fig. 2.2. Immediately ‘Adjacent’ and ‘Embedded Within’ Parts

p_z , i.e., p_x and p_y are “embedded within” p_z ; or one (p_x) or the other (p_y) or both (p_x and p_y) are parts of a same third part, p'_z “embedded within” p_z ; et cetera; as loosely indicated in Fig. 2.3, or one is “embedded within” the other — etc. as loosely indicated in Fig. 2.3.

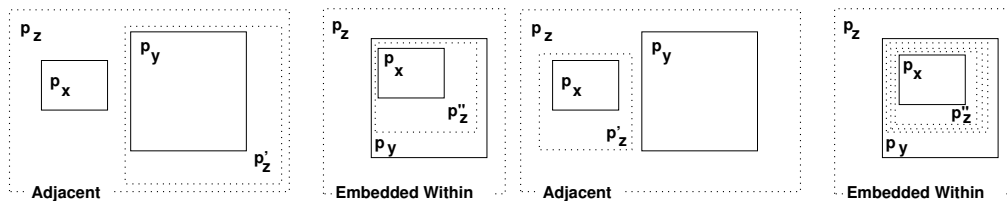


Fig. 2.3. Transitively ‘Adjacent’ and ‘Embedded Within’ Parts

²³ Achille Varzi: Mereology, <http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/mereology/> 2009 and [115].

Parts, whether ‘adjacent’ or ‘embedded within’, can share properties. For adjacent parts this sharing seems, in the literature, to be diagrammatically expressed by letting the part rectangles “intersect”. Usually properties are not spatial hence ‘intersection’ seems confusing. We refer to Fig. 2.4.

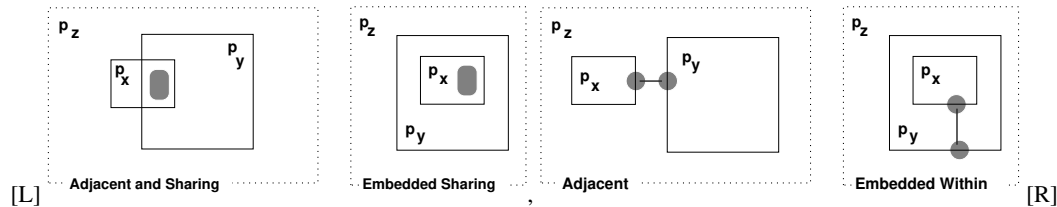


Fig. 2.4. Two models, [L,R], of parts sharing properties

Instead of depicting parts sharing properties as in Fig. 2.4[L]left, where shaded, dashed rounded-edge rectangles stands for ‘sharing’, we shall (eventually) show parts sharing properties as in Fig. 2.4[R]right where $\bullet\text{---}\bullet$ connections connect those parts.

2.8.2.2 Our Informal Understanding of Mereology

Mereology, to us, is the study and knowledge about how physical and conceptual parts relate and what it means for a part to be related to another part: *being disjoint*, *being adjacent*, *being neighbours*, *being contained properly within*, *being properly overlapped with*, et cetera.

By physical parts we mean such spatial individuals which can be pointed to.

Examples: a road net (consisting of street segments and street intersections); a street segment (between two intersections); a street intersection; a road (of sequentially neighbouring street segments of the same name); a vehicle; and a platoon (of sequentially neighbouring vehicles).

By a conceptual part we mean an abstraction with no physical extent, which is either present or not.

Examples: a bus timetable (not as a piece or booklet of paper, or as an electronic device, but) as an image in the minds of potential bus passengers; and routes of a pipeline, that is, neighbouring sequences of pipes, valves, pumps, forks and joins, for example referred to in discourse: “the gas flows through *such-and-such* a route”. The tricky thing here is that a route may be thought of as being both a concept or being a physical part — in which case one ought give them different names: a planned route and an actual road, for example.

The mereological notion of *subpart*, that is: *contained within* can be illustrated by **examples:** the intersections and street segments are subparts of the road net; vehicles are subparts of a platoon; and pipes, valves, pumps, forks and joins are subparts of pipelines.

The mereological notion of *adjacency* can be illustrated by **examples.** We consider the various controls of an air traffic system, cf. Fig. B.1 on Page 293, as well as its aircraft, as adjacent within the air traffic system; the pipes, valves, forks, joins and pumps of a pipeline, cf. Fig. B.6 on Page 296, as adjacent within the pipeline system; two or more banks of a banking system, cf. Fig. B.3 on Page 295, as being adjacent.

The mereo-topological notion of *neighbouring* can be illustrated by **examples:** Some adjacent pipes of a pipeline are neighbouring (connected) to other pipes or valves or pumps or forks or joins, et cetera; two immediately adjacent vehicles of a platoon are neighbouring. The mereological notion of *proper overlap* can be illustrated by **examples** some of which are of a general kind: two routes of a pipelines may overlap; and two conceptual bus timetables may overlap with some, but not all bus line entries being the same; and some really reflect adjacency: two adjacent pipe overlap in their connection, a wall between two rooms overlap each of these rooms — that is, the rooms overlap each other “in the wall”.

2.9 A Foundation

This, then, is the foundation upon which this monograph is built: the **Concepts**, as outlined in Chapter 0, the **Philosophy** of Kai Sørlander, as outlined in Chapter 1, and **Logic** and **Mathematics**, the closer

inspection of the concepts SPACE, TIME and MATTER, and Identity, and Mereology of the present chapter.

DOMAINS

Chapter 3–7 Overview

In the next four chapters “we introduce a domain science & engineering” of domain analysis & description. These four chapters treat “more-or-less” separable core topics of domain analysis & description. The treatment focuses on what we shall call the *intrinsic*s, the essentials of domains.

- Chapter 3 introduces the concepts of *entities*, *endurants* and *perdurants* and unveils basic principles and techniques for the analysis & description of what we shall call *external endurant qualities*, those which we can experience by looking at them !
- Chapter 4 unveils basic principles and techniques for the analysis & description of what we shall call *internal endurant qualities*, like *identity*, *mereology* or those, *attributes*, which we can otherwise measure by physical instruments or which record *events*.
- Chapter 5 provides a bridge between the principles and techniques of Chapters 3–4 and Chapter 6 by further elaborating on the idea of transcendental deduction first introduced in Chapter 1; while also covering the concepts of *space* and *time*, not as metaphysical phenomena, but, with our background in Kai Sørlander’s Philosophy, as rational, transcendently understood concepts.
- Chapter 6, finally, concludes the basic domain analysis & description principles and techniques by transcendently relating *endurants*, the “still” *entities*, observable in *space*, to *perdurants*, the “discrete dynamic” *entities*, observable also in *time*: *actions*, *events* and *behaviours*.

Chapters 3–4 show you how to systematically develop descriptions of the structure and values of domains while Chapter 6 shows you how to follow that up with the development of core aspects of the behaviour of domains.

- Chapter 7 covers some principles and techniques of mostly non-intrinsic domain entities.

A Theory, not The Theory

We write: “we introduce **a** domain science & engineering ...”. By this we mean: “there may be other such domain science & engineering” ! The science & engineering we refer to are the *domain analysis & description prompts*²⁴. We shall introduce these analysis & description prompts in the next four chapters. But there could be another composition than the one we offer. The present one has served well in guiding the domain analysis & description of many domains [80]. The notions of *conjoins*, for example, are based very much on a mixture of observations and pragmatism, and, as such could be replaced ! Anyway, the reader is guided, in the next 4 chapters, into this ontology and should, from there, be able to modify that ontology to suit the problem at hand.

On Learning a Theory and On Learning a Method

In this monograph we aim to develop a theory of domain analysis & description, and to develop a method of analysing & describing domains. The two things are not quite the same, but, obviously, related. It is important that the reader understands the next subsections. Because of the double aim it is possible that the reader misses the distinction, and hence to learn either !

First you learn about it ! Then you learn to do it !

Towards a Theory of Domain Analysis & Description

Before one can practice a method *one must learn (i) its possible theoretical basis*.

In this monograph the text from which you should learn about a theoretical basis for domain analysis & description is interwoven with the text from which you should learn about the method, i.e. the practice of applying some of the theory. Being interwoven may mean that the reader forgets what it is that is being communicated.

The unfolding of the “story” of the possible theoretical basis is careful, “slow”, almost pedantic. It is perhaps easy to get lost and forget *that other thing to be learned, (ii), the method*.

A Method for Domain Analysis & Description

The method, to repeat, embodies principles, techniques and tools for the analysis & description of domains.

So how does one proceed in doing a domain model ? First one determines what the domain is, i.e., an *endurant*. Then you analyse it as prescribed. At one point you are then ready to describe the root of the domain, as a composite, or as a structure, or as a material. That description leads to the analysis of sub-endurants, usually several. In a single person project you therefore have to put some of these ‘several’ other endurants on hold, say put as a reminder on what we shall call a *notice board*. Then later, again an again, from the subsequent analysis & description of these other endurants emerges yet more endurants to be analysed & described. Etcetera.

The method involves an iterative process.

For the professional, practicing *domain analyser & describer* when, as is covered in Chapter 3, analyses & describes the external qualities of endurants that person is fully aware of their being also internal qualities to analyse & described, and also, subsequently, their transcendental deduction into *perdurants: channels, variables and behaviours*. In Chapter 3, however, we pose exercise problems, at a stage where the problem solver has yet to learn, as in subsequent chapters, 4–6, about internal qualities, such which ultimately decide on the sort of an *endurant*; thus the problem solver is, to an extent, disadvantaged; hence may, after. f.ex. Chapter 4 (etc.), have to return to “improve” on a proposed problem solution. It cannot be otherwise.

²⁴ These are some analysis prompts

is_entity pg. 43,
is_endurant pg. 47,
is_perdurant pg. 48,
is_discrete pg. 48,
is_continuous pg. 49,
is_physical.part pg. 50,
is_structure pg. 50,

is_living_species pg. 51,
is_natural-part pg. 51,
is_artefact pg. 51,
is_plant pg. 54,
is_animal pg. 54,
is_human pg. 54,
is_atomic pg. 56,

is_compound pg. 56,
is_conjoin pg. 59,
is_part.materials pg. 59,
is_material.parts pg. 60,
is_part.parts pg. 61.

DOMAINS – A Taxonomy

External Qualities

In this chapter we introduce the concepts of endurants and perdurants, the concept of external qualities¹ of endurants, and cover the analysis and description of external qualities of endurants.

Our focus is on domains. So what are domains ? .

3.1 Overview of this Chapter

- This is a large chapter.
 - ⊗ It spans Pages 39–84.
 - ⊗ To help the reader we present this overview.
 - ⊗ Some sections can be “armchair-read”.
 - ⊗ They introduce overall concepts.
 - ⊗ These are Sects. 3.2, 3.3, 3.5, 3.14 and ??.
 - ⊗ Section 3.20 presents background theory material.
 - ⊗ It can be skipped, but, when read, must be read carefully.
 - ⊗ Sections 3.6–3.18 and 3.15 form a first “half” of serious study sections on the ontology of entities and the analysis of external qualities of endurants.
 - ⊗ Sections 3.16–3.19 form the second “half” of serious study sections on the description of external qualities of endurants.

3.2 Domains

Definition: 27 Domain: By a **domain** we shall understand a **rationally describable** segment of a **discrete dynamics** segment of a **human assisted reality**, i.e., of the world, its **physical parts: natural** [“God-given”] and **artefactual** [“man-made”], and its **living species: plants** and **animals** including, notably, **humans**.

These are **endurants** (“still”), as well as **perdurants** (“alive”). Emphasis is placed on “*human-assisted*”, that is, that there is *at least one (man-made) artefact* and, therefore, that *humans* are a primary cause for change of endurant **states** as well as perdurant **behaviours** ■

This is a terse, but not a fully satisfactory characterisation. But it is the best we can come up with ! Let us examine it in some detail.

- By a **rational description** we mean: a description which is logical, that is, a description over which one can reason; furthermore we shall in addition to this, by rational, mean a description which otherwise deploys additional mathematical concepts.
- By **discrete dynamics** we mean: a behaviour of the domain which, over time, varies, *but in discrete steps: endurant entities* may move or change form in space, values of *endurant mereologies* may vary, and/or values of *endurant attributes* may vary.

¹ We refer to Definition 29 on Page 42 [Sect. 3.4] for an attempt to define the concept of external quality.

Control theory, the study of the control of continuously operating dynamical systems in engineered processes and machines, is one thing; domain engineering is “a different thing”. *Control theory* builds upon classical physics, and uses classical mathematics, partial differential equations, etc., to model phenomena of physics and therefrom engineered ‘machines’. *Domain science & engineering*, in some contrast, builds upon mathematical logic, and, to some extent, modern algebra, to model phenomena of mostly artefactual systems.

- By “a **reality**” we mean: that which we, as humans, with our senses, can see, hear, smell, taste and touch — as well as that for which we humans have devised apparatuses that measure: mass (kg), time interval (s), temperature (K), electric current (A), amount of substance (mol), luminous intensity (cd), and distance (m).
- By “a **human assisted reality**” we mean: a world in which focus is on man made endurants and human instigated actions, events and behaviours.

The other *technical terms* will be explained more formally in the rest of this chapter.

Definition: 28 Domain Description: By a **domain description** we shall understand a combination of **narration** and **formalisation** of a domain. A **formal specification** is a collection of *sort*, or *type* definitions, *function* and *behaviour* definitions, together with *axioms* and *proof obligations* constraining the definitions. A **specification narrative** is a natural language text which in terse statements introduces the names of (in this case, the domain), and, in cases, also the definitions, of sorts (types), functions, behaviours and axioms; not anthropomorphically, but by emphasizing their properties ■

Domain descriptions are (to be) void of any reference to future, contemplated software, let alone IT systems, that may then² support entities of the domain. As such *domain models*³ can be studied separately, for their own sake, for example as a basis for investigating possible domain theories, or can, subsequently, form the basis for requirements engineering with a view towards development of (‘future’) software, etc. *Our aim is to provide a method for the precise analysis and the formal description of domains.*

3.3 Universe of Discourse

By a **universe of discourse** we shall understand the same as the **domain of interest**, that is, the domain to be analysed & described ■

Universes of Discourse

Example 7 ⁴ We refer to a number of Internet accessible experimental reports⁵ of descriptions of the following domains:

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| • railways [35, 85, 38], | • weather information [67], |
| • container shipping [42], | • credit card systems [64], |
| • stock exchange [55], | • document systems [71], |
| • oil pipelines [60], | • urban planning [95], |
| • “The Market” [36], | • swarms of drones [69], |
| • Web systems [54], | • container terminals [73] |

² – but it may be that a domain being analysed & described depends crucially on IT and software – in which case that must somehow, “ever so abstractly”, be described !

³ We use the terms ‘domain descriptions’ and ‘domain models’ interchangeably.

Method Step 1 Select Domain of Interest:

A principle of the method is, as an initial step of the development of a *domain analyser & describer*, is to select the universe of discourse, to ascribe it a sort name, say UoD, and to remember that that universe, and, as a *technique*, be subject to analysis & description ■

Domain Description Prompt 0 **name_and_sketch_universe_of_discourse:**

name_and_sketch_universe_of_discourse

“Naming:
type UoD
Rough Sketch:
informal text ...”

A Road Transport Domain, I

Example 8
Naming:

type RTS

Rough Sketch: The road transport system that we have in mind consists of a road net and a set of vehicles such that the road net serves to convey vehicles. We consider the road net to consist of hubs, i.e., street intersections, or just street segment connection points, and links, i.e., street segments between adjacent hubs. We consider vehicles to consist of departments of motor vehicles, bus companies, each with zero, one or more buses, and vehicle associations, each with zero, one or more members who are owners of zero, one or more vehicles ■

It may be a “**large**” **domain**, that is, consist of many, as we shall see, *endurants* and *perdurants*, of many *parts* and *materials*, of many *humans* and *artefacts*, and of many *actors*, *actions*, *events* and *behaviours*.

Or it may be a “**small**” **domain**, that is, consist of a few such entities.

The choice of “boundaries”, that is, of how much or little to include, and of how much or little to exclude is entirely the choice of the domain engineer cum scientist: the choice is crucial, and is not always obvious. The choice delineates an *interface*, that is, that which is within the boundary, i.e., is in the domain, and that which is without, i.e., outside the domain, i.e., is the **context of the domain**, that is, the **external domain interfaces**. Experience helps set reasonable boundaries.

There are two “situations”: Either a **domain analysis & description** endeavour is pursued in order to prepare for a subsequent development of *requirements modelling*, in which case one tends to choose a “**narrow**” **domain**, that is, one that “fits”, includes, but not much more, the domain of interest for the requirements. Or a **domain analysis & description** endeavour is pursued in order to research a domain. *Either* one that can form the basis for subsequent engineering studies aimed, eventually at requirements development; in this case “wider” boundaries may be sought. *Or* one that experimentally “throws a larger

⁴ In this monograph we bring several categories of numbered examples. There are the examples, let us call them the *text explanatory examples*; then there are two kinds of examples related to domains: the *informal domain examples* and *formal domain examples*. The latter exemplify the kind of domain analysis & descriptions this monograph studies and for which this monograph presents a method for their construction. We leave it to the reader to discern *which examples are what* !

⁵ These are **draft** reports, more-or-less complete. The writing of these reports was finished when sufficient evidence, conforming or refuting one or another aspect of the **domain analysis & description method**.

net”, that is, seeks a “large” domain so as to explore interfaces between what is thought of as **internal system interfaces**.

Where, then, to start the *domain analysis & description*? Either one can start “bottom-up”, that is, with atomic entities: endurants or perdurants, one-by-one, and work one’s way “out”, to include composite entities, again endurants or perdurants, to finally reach some satisfaction: *Eureka*, a goal has been reached. Or one can start “top-down”, that is, “casting a wide net”. The choice is yours. Our presentation, however, is “top down”: most general domain aspects first.

Domain science & engineering marks **a new area of computing science**. Just as we are formalising the syntax and semantics of programming languages, so we are formalising the syntax and semantics of human-assisted domains.

Just as *physicists* are studying the *natural physical world*, endowing it with *mathematical models*, so we, *computing scientists*, are studying these *domains*, endowing them with *mathematical models*.

A difference between the endeavours of physicists and ours lies in the tools: the physics models are based on *classical mathematics*, *differential equations* and *integrals*, etc.; our models are based on *mathematical logic*, *set theory*, and *algebra*.

Where physicists thus classically use a variety of *differential* and *integral calculi* to model the physical world, we shall be using the *analysis & description calculi* presented in this chapter to model primarily artefactual domains. As we shall see, in several examples, there is, however, a need for describing a number of domain aspects both on control theory and computing science grounds – yet the two theories underlying these description tools need be unified. At the time of writing this monograph such a unifying theory has yet to emerge.

3.4 External Qualities

Definition: 29 External Quality: By an **external quality** of an endurant we shall, initially, mean a property that is manifest, one that can be touched or seen, generally, one that “forms” the endurable entities of a domain.

More generally, by an **external quality** of an endurant we shall mean an abstract property about a collection of manifest entities, like a structure of manifest entities, or a structure of abstracted such entities ■

A Road Transport System, II: Manifest External Qualities

Example 9 Our intention is that the manifest external qualities of a road transport system are those of its roads, their **hubs**⁶ i.e., road (or street) intersections, and their **links**, i.e., the roads (streets) between hubs, and **vehicles**, i.e., automobiles – that ply the roads – the buses, trucks, private cars, bicycles, etc. ■

A Road Transport System, II: Abstract External Qualities

Example 10 Examples of what could be considered abstract external qualities of a road transport domain are: the aggregate of all hubs and all links, the aggregate of all buses, say into bus companies, the aggregate of all bus companies into public transport, and the aggregate of all vehicles into a department of vehicles. Some of these aggregates may, at first be treated as abstract. Subsequently, in our further analysis & description we may decide to consider some of them as concretely manifested in, for example, actual departments of roads ■

Method Step 2 External Qualities:

⁶ We have **highlighted** certain endurant sort names – as they will re-appear in rather many upcoming examples.

An important step in the process of unfolding an analysis & description of a domain is to determine which are the external qualities of entities of that domain. Our attempt, in Definition 29 on the facing page, to encircle the ‘*external quality*’ concept may not be fully satisfactory. We shall try “repair” that “failure to be precise” by numerous examples – and otherwise hope that some readers can suggest improved definitions ■

We refer to Fig. 3.1 on the next page where a largest dashed-line “upper left” box indicate, in a way, the concepts entailed by *external qualities*.

3.5 Entities

A core concept of domain modelling is that of an *entity*.

Definition: 30 Entity: By an *entity* we shall understand a *phenomenon*, i.e., something that can be observed, i.e., be seen or touched by humans, or that can be conceived as an *abstraction* of an entity; alternatively, a phenomenon is an entity, *if it exists, it is “being”, it is that which makes a “thing” what it is: essence, essential nature* [268, Vol. I, pg. 665] ■

Analysis Predicate Prompt 1 *is_entity*:

The domain analyser analyses “things” (θ) into either entities or non-entities. The method provides the *domain analysis prompt*:

- *is_entity* – where $\text{is_entity}(\theta)$ holds if θ is an entity ■⁷

is_entity is said to be a *prerequisite prompt* for all other prompts. Prompts, whether analysis or description prompts, are *aidé-memoires*; they are not program constructs, they can not be defined mathematically⁸; think of them as written on the wall of your working place, there to remind you of what you should remember to do.

Method Step 3 “What can be Described”:

A next step in the development of a *domain analyser & describer* is to decide on what can be described. Both with respect to the universe of discourse and with respect to every subsequently identified entity. The *is_entity* analysis prompt is the *tool* used to prompt that analysis and decision. The *domain analysers* has great leeway here. They can, perhaps rather arbitrarily, some would say, magisterially, decide on leaving out phenomena for further treatment, phenomena that others would say can be described. An excuse for exclusion could be that the *domain analysers* can claim that the phenomenon is not relevant to their inquiry ■

To sum up: *An entity is what we can analyse and describe using the analysis & description prompts outlined in this chapter.* Other words for ‘entity’ are: ‘*material object*’ or ‘*thing*’. Since we shall be needing the term ‘material’ for a specific class of entities, and since the term ‘object’ is already heavily overloaded, we shall just use the term ‘entity’.

The *entities* that we are concerned with are those with which Kai Sørlander’s Philosophy is likewise concerned. They are the ones that are *unavoidable* in any description of any possible world. And then, which are those entities? In both [345] and [348] Kai Sørlander rationally deduces that these entities must be in *space* and *time*, must satisfy laws of physics – like those of Newton and Einstein, but among them are also *living species: plants* and *animals* and hence *humans*. The *living species*, besides still being in *space* and *time*, and satisfying laws of physics, must satisfy further properties.

⁷ ■ marks the end of a analysis prompt definition.

⁸ See however [62, 65] where we do suggest an underlying mathematical model of domains and give prompts a semantics.

Figure 3.1 shows an **upper ontology**^{9,10} for domains such as we shall focus on in this monograph. We shall briefly review Fig. 3.1 by means of a top-down, left-traversal of the tree (whose root is at the top).

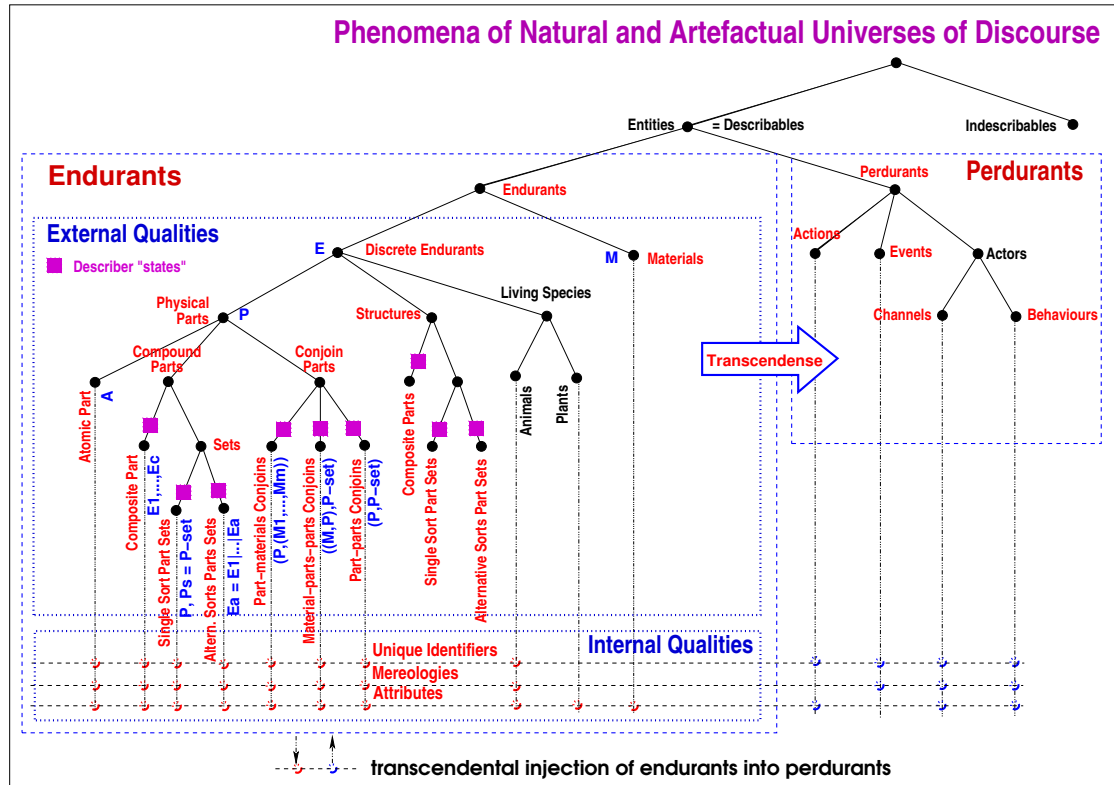


Fig. 3.1. Upper Ontology

3.5.1 A Linnean, Binomial Taxonomy

We shall first present an idealised form of ontology for the domains that we are interested in studying and for whose construction of domain analyses & descriptions we wish to present a method. This idealised form follows that of Carl von Linné (Carl Linnaeus, 1707–1778) the Swedish botanist, zoologist, and physician who formalised binomial nomenclature, the modern system of naming organisms. He is known as the “father of modern taxonomy”

We refer to the ontology description that now follows, as ‘ideal’. It is so, we claim, because it is strictly binomial, and it is, in a sense, and also as a result of being binomial, abstract in that it does not reflect how it should preferably be used. We shall later, on the basis of the following taxonomy, present a workable, we claim, practically useful ontology.

An ‘Idealised’ Domain Taxonomy

- [0] Universes of discourse consists of **non-describable phenomena** [1.0] and **describable phenomena** [1.1].
 - [1.0] Non-describable phenomena will here be left further un-analysed.
 - [1.1] Describable phenomena, are also called **entities** [1.2].

⁹ An **upper ontology** (in the sense used in information science) consists of very general terms that are common across all domains [Wikipedia].

¹⁰ We could organise the ontology differently: entities are either naturals, artefacts or living species, et cetera. If an upper node (●) satisfies a predicate \mathcal{P} then all descendant nodes do likewise.

- [1.2] Entities are either **endurants**¹¹ [2.1] or **perdurants**¹² [2.2].
- [2.1] Endurants are either **physical**¹³ [3.1] or **living species**¹⁴ [3.2].
 - [3.1] Physical endurants are either **singular**¹⁵ [4.1] or **composites**¹⁶ [4.2].
 - [4.1] Singulars are either **atomic parts**¹⁷ [5.1] or **materials**¹⁸ [5.2].
 - [5.1] Atomic parts are presently left further un-analysed.
 - [5.2] Materials are presently left further un-analysed.
 - [4.2] Composites are either **definite composites**¹⁹ or **indefinite composites**²⁰.
 - [3.2] Living species are either **plants**²¹ [4.3] or **animals**²² [4.4].
 - [4.3] Plants are here left further un-analysed.
 - [4.4] Animals are either **humans** [5.3] or **other ...** [5.4].
 - [5.3] Humans are here left further un-analysed.
 - [5.4] Other ... is here left further un-analysed.
 - [2.2] Perdurants are either **instantaneous**²³ [3.3] or **prolonged**²⁴ [3.4].
 - [3.3] Instantaneous perdurants are either **actions**²⁵ [4.5] or **events**²⁶ [4.6].
 - [4.5] We shall here leave actions further un-analysed.
 - [4.6] We shall here leave events further un-analysed.
 - [3.4] We shall here rename prolonged perdurants into **behaviours**²⁷
 - [3.4] Behaviours are here left further un-analysed.

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 The above textual listing is rendered graphically in Fig. 3.2 on the next page.

Figure 3.5.1 on the facing page shows the basic relational structure of general domain concepts. Figure 3.1 on the preceding page, in principle, builds on the taxonomy of Fig. 3.5.1 on the facing page. The ontology of Fig. 3.1 is “massaged” with respect to Fig. 3.5.1 on the preceding page. Some domain analysis & description concepts have been added; some “intermediary” concepts have been inserted, and, most importantly, the ‘taxonomy’ has evolved into an ‘ontology’. Where the taxonomy only dealt with tangible, visible properties²⁸, the ontology ‘adds’ intangible, but objectively measurable properties shown by the bottom vertical *unique identifier*, *mereology* and *attribute lines*. We shall now proceed to justify Fig. 3.1.

3.5.2 A Cursory Overview

There are *describable* phenomena and there are phenomena that we cannot describe. The former we shall call *entities*. The *entities* are either *endurants*, “still” entities – existing in *space*, or are *perdurants*, “alive” entities – existing also in *time*. *Endurants* are either *discrete* or *continuous* – in which latter case we call them *materials*. *Discrete* endurants are *physical parts*, or *living species*, or are *structures*. *Physical parts* are either *naturals*, or *artefacts*, i.e. man-made. Natural parts are either *atomic* or *composite* parts. Man-made parts are either *atomic* parts, *composite* parts or are *conjoins*. In this monograph we shall refer to man-made parts as *artefacts*, and we shall, surprise-surprise, “collapse” our treatment of natural and artefactual

¹¹ Cf. Defn. 31 on Page 47

¹² Cf. Defn. 32 on Page 47

¹³ Physical endurants are such entities which can alone be justified in terms of physical laws such as Newton’s etc.

¹⁴ Living species are such entities which, in addition to physical laws are also subject to biological laws.

¹⁵ By a singular entity we shall mean a single instance or something to be considered by itself [Merriam Webster].

¹⁶ By a constellation we shall mean a grouping of usually two or more endurants.

¹⁷ See Sect. 3.13.1 on Page 56

¹⁸ Cf. Defn. 48 on Page 55

¹⁹ A definite composite has a given number of endurants.

²⁰ An indefinite composite has a possibly varying number of endurants.

²¹ See Sect. 3.11.1 on Page 54

²² See Sect. 3.11.2 on Page 54

²³ An Instantaneous Perdurant occurs at a (or any) single point in time and manifests itself in a similarly instantaneous state change – where a state is the internal qualities value of any assembly of endurants.

²⁴ A Prolonged Perdurant occurs over time, perdures for either an indefinite or an infinite time interval.

²⁵ An action is an internally provoked instantaneous state change.

²⁶ An event is an externally provoked instantaneous state change.

²⁷ A behaviour is a set of sequences of actions, events and behaviours.

²⁸ – like those used as the basis for plant determination according to Carl von Linné

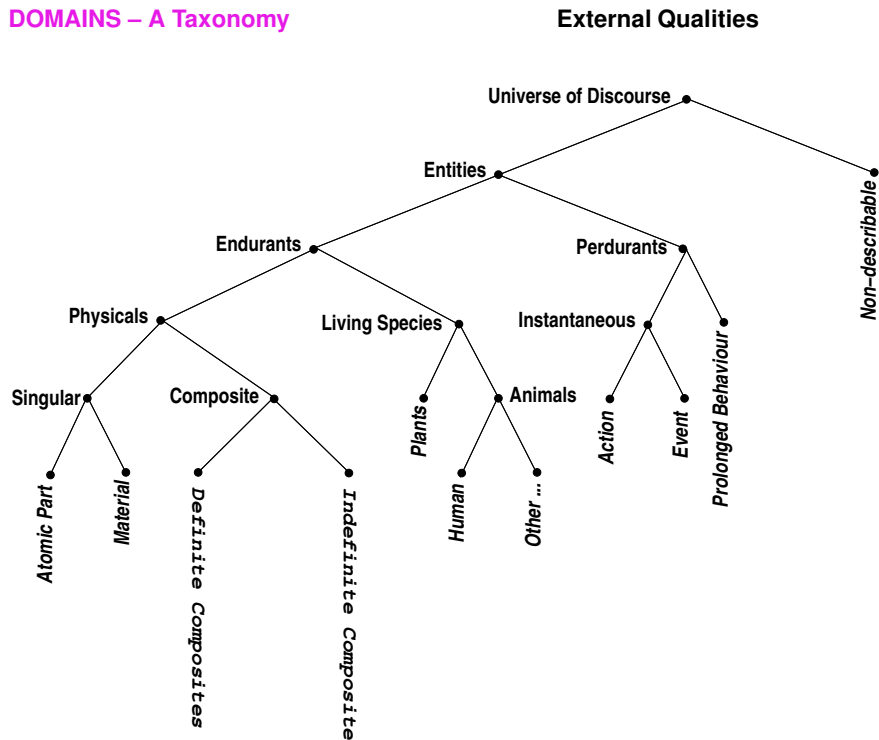


Fig. 3.2. A Binomial Taxonomy. The ...definite composites are defined in terms of **endurants**.

parts into just physical parts. Conjoins are either *part-materials*, or *material-parts*, or *part-parts* conjoins. *Living Species* are either *plants* or *animals*. Among animals we have the *humans*. *Structures* are structures over either a definite number of endurants of usually distinct sorts, or an indefinite number of endurants of the same sort.

3.5.3 Summary

The categorisation into structures, natural parts, artefactual parts, plants, and animals is thus partly based in Sørlander's Philosophy, partly pragmatic. The distinction between endurants and perdurants, are necessitated by Kai Sørlander's Philosophy as entities being in space, respectively entities being in space **and** time. Furthermore: discrete and continuous are motivated by arguments of natural sciences; structures are purely pragmatic; plants and animals, including humans, are necessitated by Kai Sørlander's Philosophy. The distinction between natural, physical parts, and artefacts is not necessary in Sørlander's Philosophy, but, we claim, necessary, philosophically, in order to perform the *intentional "pull"*, a transcendental deduction.

The distinction between *part-materials*, *material-parts*, and *part-parts* is pragmatic. We could have chosen another sub-ontology for artefacts. Also, from empirical observation, there seems to be no need for *material-materials* conjoins. In *part-materials* conjoins the materials are "contained within" the part; in *material-parts* conjoins the material, anthropomorphically speaking, "contains the parts"; and in *part-parts* conjoins the parts are monitored and controlled by the part. In a perceived *material-materials* artefact, should the material "contain" the materials? How?

3.5.3.1 Space and Time: Whither Entities?

Are space and time entities? Of course not! They are simply abstract concepts that apply to any entity.

3.6 Endurants and Perdurants

The concepts of endurants and perdurants are not present in, that is, are not essential to Sørlander's Philosophy. Since our departure point is that of *computing science* where, eventually, conventional computing performs operations on, i.e. processes data, we shall, however, introduce these two notions: *endurant* and *perdurant*. The former, in a rough sense, "corresponds" to data; the latter, similarly, to processes.

Philosophers have otherwise spent quite some thoughts on endurants²⁹ and perdurants³⁰. It seems obvious that entities *exists in space*. But how do entities *persist through time*? Two accounts of *persistence*³¹ are *endurance theory* (*endurantism*) and *perdurance theory* (*perdurantism*). We shall basically stay clear of these, the footnoted sources, and rely on Kai Sørlander's Philosophy.

Method Step 4 Initial Focus is on Endurants:

A basic *principle* of the *domain analyser & describer* method is that of **initially focusing on endurants**. Once all we wish to know about domain endurants has been analysed and described, then we shift focus to perdurants ■

3.6.1 Endurants

Definition: 31 Endurant: By an *endurant* we shall understand an entity that can be observed, or conceived and described, as a "complete thing" at no matter which given snapshot of time; alternatively an entity is *endurant* if it is capable of *enduring*, that is *persist*, "*hold out*" [268, Vol. I, pg. 656]. Were we to "freeze" time we would still be able to observe the entire *endurant* ■

Endurants

Example 11 Geography Endurants: *Geography endurants are: fields, meadows, lakes, rivers, forests, hills, mountains, et cetera. Railway System Endurants:* *a railway system, its net, its individual tracks, switch points, trains, their individual locomotives, et cetera.*

A Caveat: Please observe the following: In Example 11 we seemingly rather easily, refer to such things as *fields, meadows, lakes, rivers, etc.*, as endurants that can be singled out from one another. It probably took mankind millenia to make this categorisation. Easier, perhaps, with the artefacts: *railway net, track, locomotives, etc.* These endurants were so designated by their designers, and we have kept these designations.

Analysis Predicate Prompt 2 *is_endurant*:

The domain analyser analyses an entity, ϕ , into an *endurant* as prompted by the *domain analysis prompt*:

- *is_endurant* – ϕ is an *endurant* if *is_endurant*(ϕ) holds.

is_entity is a *prerequisite prompt* for *is_endurant* ■

3.6.2 Perdurants

Definition: 32 Perdurant: By a *perdurant* we shall understand an entity for which only a fragment exists if we look at or touch them at any given snapshot in time. Were we to freeze time we would only see or touch a fragment of the *perdurant* [268, Vol. II, pg. 1552] ■

²⁹ en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Formal_ontology#Endurant

³⁰ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Formal_ontology#Perdurant

³¹ plato.stanford.edu/entries/temporal-parts/

Perdurants

Example 12 Geography Perdurants: *the continuous changing of the weather (meteorology); the erosion of coast lines; the rising of some land and the “sinking” of other land areas; volcano eruptions; earth quakes; et cetera.*
Railway System Perdurants: *the ride of a train from one railway station to another; and the stop of a train at a railway station from some arrival time to some departure time* ■

Analysis Predicate Prompt 3 `is_perdurant`:

The domain analyser analyses an entity e into perdurants as prompted by the *domain analysis prompt*:

- `is_perdurant` – e is a perdurant if `is_perdurant(e)` holds.

`is_entity` is a *prerequisite prompt* for `is_perdurant` ■

Occurent, accident, continuant and *happening* are synonyms for perdurant.

We shall, in this monograph not develop an analysis calculus for perdurants, but leave such a, to us interesting research challenge to capable readers.

3.7 Endurants: Discrete and Continuous

We decide to facilitate the modelling of two kinds of endurants: discrete endurants and continuous endurants. Discrete endurants, we allow, may contain continuous endurants.

3.7.1 Discrete Endurants

Definition: 33 Discrete Endurant: By a *discrete endurant* we shall understand an endurant which is separate, individual or distinct in form or concept ■

Analysis Predicate Prompt 4 `is_discrete`:

The domain analyser analyses endurants, e , into discrete entities as prompted by the *domain analysis prompt*:

- `is_discrete` – e is discrete if `is_discrete(e)` holds ■

To simplify matters we shall allow separate elements of a discrete endurant to be continuous! That is, a discrete endurant, i.e., a part, may be conjoined with a continuous endurant, a material; we refer to Sect. 3.13.3 on Page 58.

Discrete Endurants

Example 13 *The individual endurants of the above example of railway system endurants, Example 11 on the preceding page, were all discrete. Here are examples of discrete endurants of pipeline systems. A pipeline and its individual units: wells, pipes, valves, pumps, forks, joins, and sinks.*

Caveat: Be aware of the following problem. Just because you ascribe the type name *valve* to a discrete endurant, e , does not “automatically” endow the so-typed entity, e , with all, or at least some of those qualities that *valve values*, such as you and I can agree on as being *valve values*, do possess. No, we have to do much more analysis for “your” naming an entity of type *valve*, and for that entity to indeed be what others would associate with *valve values*. That “much more” analysis entails ascribing a sufficient number of *internal qualities* to what we labeled as valves, qualities such as *unique identification*, *mereology* and *attributes*.

3.7.2 Continuous Endurants: Materials

Definition: 34 Continuous Endurant: By a *continuous endurant* we shall understand an endurant which is prolonged, without interruption, in an unbroken series or pattern ■

Analysis Predicate Prompt 5 *is_continuous*:

The domain analyser analyses endurants e into continuous entities as prompted by the *domain analysis prompt*:

- *is_continuous* or *is_material* – e is discrete if *is_continuous*(e) (*is_material*(e)) holds ■

We shall prefer to refer to continuous endurants as *materials*. Continuous materials are otherwise liquid, or gaseous, or plasmatic, or granular, or plant products, i.e., chopped sugar cane, threshed, or otherwise, et cetera.

Materials

Example 14 *Specific examples of materials are: water, oil, gas, compressed air, etc. A container, which we consider a discrete endurant, may be conjoined with another, now continuous endurant, a material, like a gas pipeline unit may “contain” gas. We refer to Sect. 3.16.3 on Page 70.*

We cover materials further in Sect. 3.12 on Page 55.

Continuity shall here not be understood in the sense of mathematics. Our definition of ‘continuity’ focused on *prolonged, without interruption, in an unbroken series or pattern*. In that sense materials shall be seen as ‘continuous’. The mathematical notion of ‘continuity’ is an abstract one. The endurant notion of ‘continuity’ is physical one.

Method Step 5 Discrete versus Continuous:

One may question the distinction between discrete and continuous endurants. For most natural, God-given, and probably all man-made discrete endurants the temperature of its surroundings may decide its state of “firmness” or “fluidity”! We decide here to leave this, to some, crucial aspect untreated! ■

3.8 Physical Parts, Structures and Living Species

We decide to analyse endurants into either of three kinds: *physical parts*, *structures* and *living species*. The distinction between the first two is pragmatic. The distinction between these and *living species* is motivated in Kai Sørlander’s Philosophy.

3.8.1 Compound Endurants, “Roots” and “Siblings”

We need, in the following, to make definitions based on endurants being compounds.

Definition: 35 Compound Endurants: By a *compound endurant* we shall understand an endurant which can be considered as comprising two elements: a “root” and one or more, usually more, “siblings”. The “root” endurant, which is ignored for so-called *endurant structures*, can otherwise be said to “embody”, to “host”, the “siblings” ■ These, the “siblings”, can be said to be sub-ordinate to the “root”, also for *endurant structures* ■ These definitions may seem vague, but are in fact, sufficiently precise! ■

3.8.2 Physical Parts

Physical parts are either *natural* parts, or are *artefactual* parts, i.e. man-made. Natural and man-made parts are either *atomic* or *composite*. We additionally analyse artefacts into *conjoins*, i.e., compounds of a “root” part and a definite number of different sort “sibling” materials, or a “root” material and an indefinite number of same-sort “sibling” parts, or a “root” part and an indefinite number of same-sort “sibling” parts.

Definition: 38 Physical Parts: By a *physical part* we shall understand a discrete endurant existing in time and subject to laws of physics, including the *causality principle* and *gravitational pull*^a ■

^a This characterisation is the result of our study of relations between philosophy and computing science, notably influenced by Kai Sørlander’s Philosophy. We refer to our research report [72, www.imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/2018/-philosophy/filo.pdf].

Analysis Predicate Prompt 6 *is_physical_part*: The domain analyser analyses “things” (*e*) into physical part. The method provides the *domain analysis prompt*:

- *is_physical_part* – where *is_physical_part(e)* holds if *e* is a physical part ■

Physical parts are going to be the “workhorse” of our analyses & descriptions of artefactual domains.

A Rough Sketch Domain Endurant Description

Example 15 The example is that of the production of rum. From

92 the sowing, watering, and tending to of sugar cane plants;
 93 via the “burning” of these prior to harvest;
 94 the harvest;
 95 the collection of harvest from sugar cane fields to the
 96 the chopping, crushing, (and sometimes repeated) boiling, cooling and centrifuging of sugar cane
 when making sugar and molasses (into A, B, and low grade batches);
 97 the fermentation, with water and yeast, producing a ‘wash’;
 98 the (pot still or column still) distilling of the wash into rum;
 99 the aging of rum in oak barrels;
 100 the charcoal filtration of rum;
 101 the blending of rum;
 102 the bottling of rum;
 103 the preparation of cases of rum for sales/export; and
 104 the transportation away from the rum distiller of the rum.

Some comments on Example 15: Each of the enumerated items above is phrased in terms of perdurants. Behind each such perdurant lies some endurant. That is, in English, “every noun can be verbed”, and vice-versa. So we anticipate the transcendence, from endurants to perdurants.

Section 3.13 on Page 55 continues our treatment of physical parts.

3.8.3 Structures

Definition: 39 Endurant Structure: By an *endurant structure*, or just , we shall understand a discrete endurant whose “root” element the domain engineer chooses to ignore, i.e., to not endow with *internal qualities* such as unique identifiers, mereology and attributes; but whose “siblings” are described as consisting of one or more discrete endurants ■

Analysis Predicate Prompt 7 *is_structure*: The domain analyser analyses “things” (*e*) into structures. The method provides the *domain analysis prompt*:

- *is_structure* – where *is_structure(e)* holds if *e* is a structure ■

We refer to Sect. 3.10 for further analysis of structures into *set* and *composite structures*.

3.8.4 Living Species

Living Species are either *plants* or *animals*. Among animals we have the *humans*.

Definition: 40 Living Species, I: By a *living species* we shall understand a discrete endurant, subject to laws of physics, and additionally subject to *causality of purpose* ■^a

^a See Footnote a on the preceding page of Definition 38 on the facing page.

Analysis Predicate Prompt 8 *is_living_species*: The domain analyser analyses “things” (*e*) into living species. The method provides the *domain analysis prompt*:

- *is_living_species* – where *is_living_species(e)* holds if *e* is a living species ■

We refer to Sect. 3.11 for further treatment of living species.

3.9 Natural Parts and Artefacts

We shall examine two kinds of physical parts: *natural* and *man-made*, i.e., *artefactual*, parts.

Physical Parts

Example 16 The geography examples (Example 11 on Page 47) are all natural parts. The railway system examples (Example 11 on Page 47) are all artefacts ■

3.9.1 Natural Parts

Definition: 41 Natural Parts: Natural parts are not artefactuals, but are given by nature; are in *space* and *time*; are subject to the *laws of physics*, and also subject to the *principle of causality* and *gravitational pull* ■ Natural parts are parts which the domain engineer chooses to endow with all three *internal qualities*: unique identification, mereology, and one or more attributes ■

Analysis Predicate Prompt 9 *is_natural_part*: The domain analyser analyses “things” (*e*) into natural parts. The method provides the *domain analysis prompt*:

- *is_natural_part* – where *is_natural_part(e)* holds if *e* is a natural part ■

Example 17 Natural Parts: River Systems Further examples of natural parts are: a river system – with its short or long stretches of water sources (springs, glaciers, meadows or even lakes) emerging into brooks or streams or rivers; winding or straight brook, stream and river sections; lakes; waterfalls; confluences of brooks, streams and rivers into appropriate ones of these; and divergences of either ones of these into appropriate ones of these ■

3.9.2 Artefacts – Man-made Parts

Definition: 42 Man-made Parts: Artefacts: Artefacts are man-made either discrete or continuous endurants. In this section we shall only consider discrete endurants. Man-made continuous endurants are not treated separately but are lumped with natural materials. Artefacts are subject to the *laws of physics*, and are parts which, like for *natural parts*, the domain engineer chooses to endow with all three *internal qualities*: unique identification, mereology, and one or more attributes ■

Analysis Predicate Prompt 10 *is_artefact*: The domain analyser analyses “things” (*e*) into artefact. The method provides the *domain analysis prompt*:

- **is_artefact** – where **is_artefact(*e*)** holds if *e* is an artefact ■

Example 18 Artefactual Parts: Financial Service Industry A further example of man-made parts are those of a financial service industry – taken here in a wide sense: (a) customers of any of the below; (b-d) banks: savings & loan, commercial and investment banks; (e) foreign exchange services; (f) insurance; (g-h) stock brokers and exchanges; (i) [other] commodities exchanges, (j) credit unions; (k) credit card companies; (l) accountancy companies; (m) consumer finance companies; (n) investment funds; and (o-...) government and international overseeing agencies (national banks, The World Bank, International Monetary Fund (IMF), European Central Bank (ECB), etc ■

We shall assume, cf. Sect. 4.4 [Attributes], that *artefacts* all come with an *attribute* of kind *intent*, that is, a set of purposes for which the artefact was constructed, and for which it is intended to serve.

3.9.3 A Pragmatic Decision

We now make a rather drastic decision. It is a pragmatic decision, that is, it is not motivated by concerns of syntax, nor is it motivated by concerns of semantics. It is motivated by concerns of usage.

The decision is to henceforth not distinguish between natural and artefactual endurants.

We justify the decision as follows: All of the domains we have researched and engineered, viz. [80], are significantly characterised by their artefacts. All of their domain descriptions focus exclusively on artefacts. We have finally, experimentally, found that a presence of natural parts would not alter the description “materially”!

3.10 Structures [Conceptual Physical Parts]

3.10.1 General

Structures are “conceptual, composite endurants”. A *structure* “gathers” one or more endurants under “one umbrella”, often simplifying a presentation of some elements of a domain description. Sometimes, in our domain modelling, we choose to model an endurant as a *structure*, sometimes as a *composite part*; it all depends on what we wish to focus on in our domain model. Thus we choose, when doing so, to model endurants as structures for pragmatic reasons. As such structures are “compounds” where we are interested only in the (external and internal) qualities of the elements, the “siblings”, of the compound, but not in the qualities of the structure, i.e., the “root”, itself.

Transport System Structures

Example 19 A transport system is modelled as structured into a road net structure and an automobile structure. The road net structure is then structured as a pair: a structure of hubs and a structure of links. These latter structures are then modelled as set of hubs, respectively links.

Structures versus Composites

Example 20 We could have modelled the road net structure as a composite part with unique identity, mereology and attributes which could then serve to model a road net authority. We could have modelled the automobile structure as a composite part with unique identity, mereology and attributes which could then serve to model a department of vehicles ■

Whether to analyse & describe a discrete endurant into a structure or a physical part is a matter of choice. If we choose to analyse a discrete endurant into a *physical part* then it is because we are interested in endowing the part with *internal qualities*, the unique identifiers, mereology and one or more attributes. If we choose to analyse a discrete endurant into a *structure* then it is because we are **not** interested in

endowing the endurant with *qualities*. When we choose that an endurant sort should be modelled as a part sort with unique identification, mereology and proper attributes, then it is because we eventually shall consider the part sort as being the basis for transcendently deduced behaviours.

3.10.2 Composite Structures

Definition: 43 Composite Structure: By a *composite structure* we shall understand a discrete endurant which the domain engineer chooses to describe as consisting of a definite number of discrete “sibling” endurants of usually distinct sorts but to **not** endow the “root” element with *internal qualities* such as unique identifiers, mereology and attributes ■

Analysis Predicate Prompt 11 *is_composite_structure*: The domain analyser analyses “things” (*e*) into composite structures. The method provides the *domain analysis prompt*:

- *is_composite_structure* – where *is_composite_structure(e)* holds if *e* is a composite structure ■

3.10.3 Set Structures

Definition: 44 Set Structure: By a *set structure* we shall understand a discrete endurant which the domain engineer chooses to describe as consisting of an indefinite number of discrete “sibling” endurants of the same sort, **and** to **not** endow its “root” element with *internal qualities* such as unique identifiers, mereology and attributes ■

Analysis Predicate Prompt 12 *is_set_structure*: The domain analyser analyses “things” (*e*) into set structures. The method provides the *domain analysis prompt*:

- *is_set_structure* – where *is_set_structure(e)* holds if *e* is a set structure ■

3.11 Living Species – Plants and Animals

We refer to Sect. 3.8.4 for our first characterisation (Page 51) of the concept of *living species*³²: a discrete endurant existing in time, subject to laws of physics, and additionally subject to *causality of purpose*.³³

Definition: 45 Living Species, II: Living species must have some *form they can be developed to reach*; which they must be *causally determined to maintain*. This *development and maintenance* must further engage in an *exchange of matter with an environment*. It must be possible that living species occur in one of two forms: one form which is characterised by *development, form and exchange*; another form which, **additionally**, can be characterised by the *ability to purposeful movement*. The first we call **plants**, the second we call **animals** ■

It is appropriate here to mention **Carl Linnaeus** (1707–1778). He was a Swedish botanist, zoologist, and physician who formalised binomial nomenclature, the modern system of naming organisms. He is known as the “father of modern taxonomy”. We refer to <http://www.gutenberg.org/ebooks/20771>.

³² See analysis prompt 8 on Page 51.

³³ See Footnote a on Page 50.

3.11.1 Plants

Plants

Example 21 *Although we have not yet come across domains for which the need to model the living species of plants were needed, we give some examples anyway: grass, tulip, rhododendron, oak tree.*

Analysis Predicate Prompt 13 `is_plant`: The domain analyser analyses “things” (ℓ) into a plant. The method provides the **domain analysis prompt**:

- **`is_plant`** – where **`is_plant(ℓ)`** holds if ℓ is a plant ■

The predicate **`is_living_species(ℓ)`** is a prerequisite for **`is_plant(ℓ)`**.

3.11.2 Animals

Definition: 46 `Animal`: We refer to the initial definition of *living species* above – while emphasizing the following traits: (i) a *form that animals can be developed to reach* and (ii) *causally determined to maintain* through (iii) *development and maintenance* in an exchange of matter with an environment, and (iv) *ability to purposeful movement* ■

Analysis Predicate Prompt 14 `is_animal`: The domain analyser analyses “things” (ℓ) into an animal. The method provides the **domain analysis prompt**:

- **`is_animal`** – where **`is_animal(ℓ)`** holds if ℓ is an animal ■

The predicate **`is_living_species(ℓ)`** is a prerequisite for **`is_animal(ℓ)`**.

Animals

Example 22 *Although we have not yet come across domains for which the need to model the living species of animals, in general, were needed, we give some examples anyway: A band of musicians, a swarm of flies, a bunch of crooks, a crew of sailors, a gang of outlaws, a group of people, a herd of cattle, a mob of hair, a pack of dogs, a flock of geese, a pride of lions, and a school of dolphins.*

3.11.2.1 Humans

Definition: 47 `Human`: A human (a person) is an animal, cf. Definition 46, with the additional properties of having *language*, being *conscious* of having *knowledge* (of its own situation), and *responsibility* ■

Analysis Predicate Prompt 15 `is_human`: The domain analyser analyses “things” (ℓ) into a human. The method provides the **domain analysis prompt**:

- **`is_human`** – where **`is_human(ℓ)`** holds if ℓ is a human ■

The predicate **`is_animal(ℓ)`** is a prerequisite for **`is_human(ℓ)`**.

We refer to [72, Sects. 10.4–10.5] for a specific treatment of living species, animals and humans, and to [72] in general for the philosophy background for rationalising the treatment of living species, animals and humans.

We have not, in our many experimental domain modelling efforts had occasion to model humans; or rather: we have modelled, for example, automobiles as possessing human qualities, i.e., “subsuming humans”. We have found, in these experimental domain modelling efforts that we often confer anthropomorphic qualities on artefacts, that is, that these artefacts have human characteristics. You, the reader are reminded that when some programmers try to explain their programs they do so using such phrases as *and here the program does ... so-and-so* !

3.12 Continuous Endurants: Materials

Definition: 48 Material: By a *material* we shall understand a continuous endurant ■

We shall simplify our treatment of materials. We model a material as potentially consisting of an amalgam of one or more substances of different sorts. So a continuous endurant is a “single” material.³⁴ Composite physical parts may be conjoined with materials: natural parts may “contain” natural and artefactual materials, artefacts may “contain” natural and artefactual materials. We leave it to the reader to provide analysis predicates for natural and artefactual “materials”.

Natural and Man-made Materials

Example 23 A *natural part*, say a land area, may contain glaciers, springs, rivers, lakes, and border seas. An *artefact*, say an automobile, usually contains gasoline, lubrication oil, engine cooler liquid and window screen washer water.

Material substances are either liquid, like water, sewage, or oil; or gaseous, like natural gas; or plasmatic – a combination of granular and liquid forms, like blood; or granular, like iron ore, sand, or pebbles (stones, etc.); or agricultural, like sugar cane, chopped wood, grain, etc.

3.13 Atomic, Compound and Conjoin Parts

A distinguishing quality of natural and artefactual parts is whether they are atomic (Sect. 3.13.1) or compound or conjoins (Sects. 3.13.2)–3.13.3). Please note that we shall, in the following, examine the concept of parts in quite some detail. This is a choice. The choice is based on pragmatics. It is still the domain analyser cum describers’ choice whether to consider a discrete endurant a compound or a conjoin part or a structure. If the domain engineer wishes to investigate the details of a discrete endurant then the domain engineer must choose to model³⁵ the discrete endurant as a part. If not, then as a structure,

Non-atomic Parts: Non-atomic parts are analysed, we suggest, into

- either compound endurants [composites or sets] (Sect. 3.13.2.1 on Page 57)
- or conjoins.

Compound sets are further analysed into

- either simple, one part sort sets (Sect. 3.15.2.2.1 on Page 63) or
- several alternative part sort sets (Sect. 3.15.2.2.2 on Page 64).

Conjoins, (Sect. 3.13.3 on Page 58), are further analysed and described into:

- part-materials conjoins (Sect. 3.15.4.1 on Page 64 and 3.16.3.1 on Page 70),
- material-parts-parts conjoins (Sect. 3.15.4.2 on Page 64 and 3.16.3.2 on Page 71) and
- part-parts conjoins (Sect. 3.15.4.3 on Page 65 and 3.16.3.3 on Page 72).

We thus distinguish between seven kinds of parts:

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|------------------------------------|--|
| • (0) atomic, | ∞ (3) or alternative sorts parts sets; |
| • compounds: | • or conjoins: |
| ∞ (1) either composites, | ∞ (4) part-materials, |
| ∞ or sets – and within sets | ∞ (5) material-parts-parts and |
| ∞ (2) either single sort part sets | ∞ (6) part-parts. |

³⁴ Attributes of that “single” material may then reveal how it is (chemically or otherwise) composed from distinct substances.

³⁵ We use the term ‘to model’ interchangeably with the phrase ‘to analyse & describe’; similarly a *model* is used interchangeably with an *analysis & description*.

Our choice is one of pragmatics. It would sometimes be awkward to model endurants without the facility of concrete sets; and, using the conjoin modelling concept reveals intention ! We shall have more to say about this in time.

Atomic and Conjoin Parts

Example 24 We shall here hint at some examples. In modelling certain domains, given some further unspecified context, we may choose to model *consumers*, *retailers*, *wholesalers* and *consumer product manufacturers* as *atomic*, while *the market* is modelled as a *part-parts conjoin* of *sets of consumers*, *retailers*, *wholesalers* and *consumer product manufacturers*. In some other context we may choose otherwise ! Along another line *wells*, *pipes*, *pumps*, *valves*, *forks joins* and *sinks* of an oil pipeline system are individually modelled as *part-materials conjoin*s and the oil pipeline system as a *composite* of *sets of these part-materials conjoin*s – each *part-materials conjoin* consisting of the overall *part-materials conjoin*, an *atomic part* and a definite set of *materials* of different sorts. Similarly for *canal systems*, *waste management*, *rum production* and *water management systems* (as in The Netherlands). And finally we may model, as a *material-parts conjoin*, *air traffic* as a single *material-parts conjoin* consisting of an *atomic part* (say the *air traffic monitor & advisory authority*) and a *concrete set* of distinct aircraft *parts*. Similarly for *ocean ship monitor & advisory authorities* et cetera.

3.13.1 Atomic Parts

Definition: 49 Atomic Part: *Atomic parts* are those which, in a given context, are deemed to *not* consist of meaningful, separately observable proper *sub-parts*. A *sub-part* is a *part* ■

We emphasize the term ‘deemed’. The *domain analyser & describer* is the one who is ‘deeming’. It is all a choice.

Analysis Predicate Prompt 16 `is_atomic`:

The domain analyser analyses a discrete endurant, i.e., a part p into an atomic endurant:

- `is_atomic`: p is an atomic endurant if `is_atomic(p)` holds ■

`is_discrete` is a prerequisite prompt of `is_atomic`.

The `is_atomic` analysis prompt comes in two variants: `is_natural_atomic` and `is_artefactual_atomic`. Similarly for the `is_composite` analysis prompt: `is_natural_composite` and `is_artefactual_composite`. In the following we shall often omit the infix `_natural_` or `_artefactual_`.

Atomic Road Net Parts

Example 25 From one point of view all of the following can be considered atomic parts: *hubs*, *links*³⁶, and *automobiles*.

3.13.2 Compound Parts

We, pragmatically, distinguish between compound-, i.e., Cartesian-product-like, and set-oriented, i.e., parts. We shall treat both as concrete type sorts.

Definition: 50 Compound Part: *Compound parts* are those which are either composite parts or are sets of parts ■

Analysis Predicate Prompt 17 `is_compound`:

³⁶ Hub \equiv street intersection; link \equiv street segments with no intervening hubs.

The domain analyser analyses a discrete endurant, i.e., a part p into a compound:

- **is_compound**: p is a compound if $\text{is_compound}(p)$ holds ■

3.13.2.1 Composite Parts

Definition: 51 Composite Part: *Composite part*s are those which, in a given context, are deemed to *meaningfully* consist of separately observable a [“root”] part and a definite number of proper [“sibling”] *sub-parts* of distinct sorts ■

We emphasize the term ‘deemed’. The *domain analyser & describer* is the one who is ‘deeming’. It is all a choice.

Analysis Predicate Prompt 18 **is_composite**:

The domain analyser analyses a discrete endurant, i.e., a part p into a composite endurant:

- **is_composite**: p is a composite endurant if $\text{is_composite}(p)$ holds ■

is_physical_part is a prerequisite prompt of is_composite .

Composite Automobile Parts

Example 26 We refer to Example 25 on the preceding page. We there viewed automobiles as atomic parts. From another point of view we shall here understand automobiles as composite parts: the engine train, the chassis, the car body, the doors and the wheels. These can again be considered physical parts.

3.13.2.2 Set Parts

Whereas compounds consist of a *definite* number of parts of distinct sorts, sets consist of an *indefinite* number of parts of some sort[s].

Definition: 52 Set Part: *Set part*s are those which, in a given context, are deemed to *meaningfully* consist of separately observable a [“root”] part and an indefinite number of proper [“sibling”] *sub-parts* of the same sort ■

We emphasize the term ‘deemed’. The *domain analyser & describer* is the one who is ‘deeming’. It is all a choice.

Analysis Predicate Prompt 19 **is_set**:

The domain analyser analyses a discrete endurant, i.e., a part p into a set endurant:

- **is_set**: p is a composite endurant if $\text{is_set}(p)$ holds ■

is_physical_part is a prerequisite prompt of is_set .

Set Part Examples

Example 27 A railway track can be considered a set of railway units – usually themselves considered atomic parts. A library can be considered a set of books – usually themselves considered atomic parts. A container line can be considered a set of container vessels – usually themselves considered non-atomic or conjoin parts.

We distinguish between two kinds of sets. Sets consisting of elements of the same sort, and set consisting of elements of two or more, alternative sorts.

3.13.2.2.1 Simple One-Sort Sets

Definition: 53 Simple One-Sort Sets: Simple one-sort sets are those which, in a given context, are deemed to *meaningfully* consist of separately observable a [“root”] part and an indefinite number of proper [“sibling”] *sub-parts* of the same sort ■

Analysis Predicate Prompt 20 `is_single_sort_set`:

The domain analyser analyses a discrete endurant, i.e., a part p into a set endurant:

- `is_single_sort_set`: p is a composite endurant if `is_single_sort_set(p)` holds ■

`is_set(p)` is a prerequisite prompt of `is_single_sort_set(p)`.

Simple One-Sort Sets

Example 28 The books of library can be considered a set of same sort books.

3.13.2.2.2 Alternative Sorts Sets

Definition: 54 Alternative Sorts Sets: Alternative, several distinct sort sets are those which, in a given context, are deemed to *meaningfully* consist of separately observable a [“root”] part and an indefinite number of proper [“sibling”] *sub-parts* of a definite number of two or more distinct sorts ■

Analysis Predicate Prompt 21 `is_alternative_sorts_set`:

The domain analyser analyses a discrete endurant, i.e., a part p into a set endurant:

- `is_alternative_sorts_set`: p is a composite endurant if `is_alternative_sorts_set(p)` holds ■

`is_set(p)` is a prerequisite prompt of `is_alternative_sorts_set(p)`.

Alternative Sorts Sets

Example 29 The rail units of a rail track can be considered a set of parts of different sorts: linear rail units, single switch point rail units, double switch point rail units, terminal units, et cetera,

3.13.3 Conjoins

Definition: 55 Conjoin: By a *conjoin* we shall here understand a *physical part* which can be understood to properly embody two or three further physical parts ■

We say that these “further” parts are conjoined.

We suggest three kinds of conjoins: *part-materials conjoins*, *material-parts-parts conjoins* and *part-parts conjoins*. We have decided to include these three endurant categories for the following reason: their use, the fact that the *domain analyser & describer* chooses to model a concept as a conjoin, shall reveal an **intent**. The intents are these. For *part-materials conjoins* and *part-parts conjoins* the two elements of the conjoin serve two very related, i.e., conjoined, rôles: (a) the *part* as the overall monitor (and potential controller), (b) the *materials* or *parts* as that which is being monitored and to some extent controlled by the *part*. For *material-parts-parts conjoins* the three elements (the material (a), respectively the parts (b) and the parts (c)) serve three related, i.e., conjoined, rôles: (a) the *material* as the “carrier” of the (b) the *parts* whose *raison d’être* is that they can “inhabit” the *material* and (c) the *parts* whose *raison d’être* is that they can “service” the former parts, i.e., (b). We shall think of the material (a) as if it was an atomic part but such that it ‘embodies’ the material.

Analysis Predicate Prompt 22 `is_conjoin`:

The domain analyser analyses endurants e into conjoin entities as prompted by the *domain analysis prompt*:

- `is_conjoin` – e is a conjoin if `is_conjoin(e)` holds ■

3.13.3.1 Part-Materials Conjoins

Definition: 56 Part-Materials Conjoin: By a *part-materials conjoin* we shall understand an endurant which is a composition of a [“root”] part, and one or more (intentionally) distinct [“sibling”] materials ■

The *pragmatics* of part-materials conjoins is that they serve to model such domains as *water & flood management* – as in *The Netherlands State Water Management Authority*³⁷; *canal systems*, i.e., artefactual waterways, typically with locks – as in, for example the *Panama Canal Authority*³⁸; *water, oil, gas and other pipelines* – as in, for example the (now defunct) *Nabucco West Pipeline Proposal*³⁹; *waste management* – as in the *European Union Waste Management Project*⁴⁰; *uni-flow production systems* – as in, for example, the production of spirits, like whiskey, rum, etc., and in industrial manufacturing. Where *road transport nets* typically be modelled as bi-directed, cyclic graphs, the above ‘conjoin nets’ typically can be modelled as directed, acyclic graphs⁴¹. A difference between water & flood management and canal systems is that the former primarily manages the water level, by means of pumps, whereas the latter primarily manages the passage of anywhere from [300 tons] barges to [300.000 tons] vessels, by means of locks.

Caveat: We could have stipulated that conjoins consist of one or more [“root”] physical parts, etc., but it appears, from modelling experience, that to settle on exactly one makes modelling “easier” !

Analysis Predicate Prompt 23 `is_part_materials_conjoin`:

The domain analyser analyses endurants e into part-materials conjoin entities as prompted by the *domain analysis prompt*:

- `is_part_materials_conjoin` – e is a part-materials conjoin if `is_part_materials_conjoin(e)` holds ■

We emphasize that the *domain analyser & describer* is making a choice. The *domain analyser & describer* is the one who ‘chooses’. The context and aims of the domain modelling effort decides which choices to make.

Part-Material Conjoins: Pipelines, I

Example 30 A pipeline consists of a number of conjoined pipeline units: The pipeline units (each with their “container” and some liquid). A pipeline unit is either a well (with some, zero, or a maximum of liquid), a pump, pumping or not (with some, zero, or a maximum of liquid), a pipe (with some, zero, or a maximum of liquid), a valve, closed or partially or fully open (with some, zero, or a maximum of liquid), a fork diverting a line into two (with some, zero, or a maximum of liquid) and a join merging two lines into one (with some, zero, or a maximum of liquid), a sink (with some, zero, or a maximum of liquid), Liquid flows in one direction, from wells to sinks. There are no cycles.

Part-Material Conjoins: Canals with Locks, I

³⁷ www.rijkswaterstaat.nl/english/index.aspx

³⁸ www.pancanal.com/eng

³⁹ en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nabucco_pipeline

⁴⁰ www.urban-waste.eu/project

⁴¹ – although waste management systems may contain some cyclicity

Example 31 A system of canals with locks consists of a number of canal units. A canal unit is a conjoined endurant consisting of a pair: a discrete canal unit and a material – some [“muddy”] water ! Canal units serve to convey canal vessels (pleasure boats, barges) in either direction of the canal system. Discrete canal units are either linear (or, for that matter a curved) stretches of a canal; fork/join: diverting/joining one stretch of canal into two, respectively two into one – forks/joins connect linear canal units whose water levels “agree”; or lock sequences of one or more single locks. A lock sequence connects two linear canal units whose water levels “disagree”. A single lock allows canal vessels to be lowered/raised in order to be conveyed into next single lock or linear canal units. Single locks may either be open in one or in the opposite direction, for a vessel in the single lock to sail out of the single lock in that direction or into the single lock from the opposite direction, or they may be closed, that is, in the process of lowering or raising its water level. Etc., etc.

Part-Materials Conjoins: Waste Management, I

Example 32 Waste management [systems] are about the transport and treatment of waste. Waste can, for example, be non-clean water, sewage, chemical side-products, or other. Transport can, for example, be pipes, barrels, conveyor belts, or other. Treatment can, for example, be removing undesired materials from non-clean water, sewage and chemicals resulting in at least clean water or desired chemical and one or more waste products. A waste treatment system consists, typically, of a number of conjoin units: sources of the waste, waste transport networks, where some segments of these networks converge on treatment plants, from which emerges two or more waste and non-waste networks.

In this monograph we shall exemplify excerpts of many different kinds of (of a category of) domains. A sub-category is that of domains primarily “populated” with conjoins such as those listed in the main opening, the *pragmatics*, paragraph of this section. We refer to Sect. 3.16.3 on Page 70, Example 37 on Page 71, Sect. 4.3.7 on Page 94, Sect. 4.4.8 on Page 110 and Sect. 6.10.1 on Page 154.

3.13.3.2 Material-Parts-Parts Conjoins

Definition: 57 Material-Parts-Parts Conjoin: By a *material-parts-parts conjoin* we shall understand an endurant which is a composition of (a) the material-parts conjoin [“root”] material, (b) zero, one or more (intentionally) distinct *fixed* [“sibling”] parts, and (c) zero, one or more (intentionally) distinct *moving* [“sibling”] parts ■

The *pragmatics* of material-parts conjoins is that they serve to model such domains as: *Vessel traffic on the open seas*: the open seas are the material (a), i.e., the oceans, seas, great lakes and channels; vessels are the moving parts (c), they ply from harbour to harbour and sometimes on canals (the fixed parts, (b)). *Air traffic in the sky*: (a) the air space is the material; (b) airports are the fixed parts; and (c) aircraft of all kinds are the moving parts.

Analysis Predicate Prompt 24 `is_material_parts_parts_conjoin`:

The domain analyser analyses endurants e into material-parts-parts conjoin entities as prompted by the *domain analysis prompt*:

- `is_material_parts_parts_conjoin` – e is a material-parts conjoin if `is_material_parts_parts_conjoin(e)` holds ■

We again emphasize that the *domain analyser & describer* is making a choice. The *domain analyser & describer* is the one who is ‘choose’. The context and aims of the domain modelling effort decides which choices to make.

3.13.3.3 Part-Parts Conjoins

Part-parts conjoins come in two forms: (i) “proper” part-parts which embody a “root” and zero one or more, but a definite number of “siblings; and (ii) a “simplified” part-parts where we ignore the “root”. It is up to the domain analyser cum describer to make the choice whether to include the “root” or not. You may think of the latter as representing a structure (the “root”) with sets of “siblings”.

Analysis Predicate Prompt 25 `is_part_parts_conjoin`:

The domain analyser analyses endurants e into part-parts conjoin entities as prompted by the **domain analysis prompt**:

- `is_part_parts_conjoin` – e is a part-parts conjoin if `is_part_parts_conjoin(e)` holds ■

Part-Parts Conjoin: Container Terminal Ports

Example 33

There is the set of *composite container terminal ports*

There is the *composite part* of the port itself, with its *structures* of *sets* of *container vessels*, *structures* of *sets* of *quay side ship/quay quay cranes*, *structures* of *sets* of *quay crane to terminal port bay trucks*, *structures* of *sets* of *terminal port bays* and *structures* of *sets* of *container land trucks*. The *containers* are embodied in vessel bays, on quay cranes, on bay trucks, in terminal port bays and on land trucks.

There are a set of zero, one or more *container vessels*: each vessel being a *part-parts conjoin* of the “bare” vessel, containing a *part set* of vessel *container bays*.

There is a set quay cranes, each quay crane being a *part-parts conjoin* of the “bare” crane ho[i]sting a *part set* of zero or one container part.

There is a set quay crane to terminal port bay trucks, each bay truck being a *part-parts conjoin* of the “bare” truck ho[i]sting a *part set* of zero, one or two containers.

There is a set of (vessel or terminal port) *container bays*. with each *container bay* being a *structure container rows*, with a *container row* being a *structure container stack*, with a *container stack* being a *sequence containers*,

There is a set of terminal port to and from customer land trucks, each such land truck being a *part-parts conjoin* of the “bare” truck hoisting a *part set* of zero or one container.

We refer to [73, Container Terminals, September 2018], an experimental case study report where we used this, the *atomic*, *composite* and *concrete set* approach. We refer to [376, A Unified Theory of Programming approach for *rTiMo*] an extension of CSP, with real-time and process mobility expressivity as a promising approach.

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Method Step 6 From Analysis to Description:

We have reached a stage in our unraveling an, or the, *analysis calculus* where it is now possible to “switch” to a, or the, *description calculus*. That is, here is a *step of the method*: to conscientiously apply *description prompts*. These follow in Sect. 3.16.

To prepare for the *external qualities description calculi* we must, however, first review how we *discover endurant sorts*, Sect. 3.14, examine a notion of *states*, Sect. 3.18, review the unfolding *ontology of endurants*, Sect. ?? and introduce some *endurant analysis functions* (not predicates) , Sect. 3.15.

3.14 On Discovering Endurant Sorts

The subject of ‘discovery’ depends very much on whether the endurant is an artefact or a natural part,

3.14.1 On Discovering Man-made Endurants

Artefacts are man-made. Usually the designers – the engineers, the craftsmen – who make these parts start out by ascribing specific names to them. And these names become our sort names. So the α, β, γ points below are really only relevant for the analysis of natural discrete endurants.

3.14.2 On Discovering Natural Endurants

Our aim now is to present the basic principles that let the domain analyser decide on *endurant sorts*. We observe endurants one-by-one.

(α) Our analysis of parts concludes when we have “lifted” our examination of a particular endurant instance to the conclusion that it is of a given sort, that is, reflects a formal concept.

Thus there is, in this analysis, a “eureka”, a step where we shift focus from the concrete to the abstract, from observing specific endurant instances to postulating a sort: from one to the many. If e is an endurant of sort E , then we express that as: $e:E$.

In Sect. 3.15 we shall introduce analysis functions for all the endurants of our ontology.

(β) The analyser analyses, for each of these endurants, e_i , which formal concept, i.e., sort, it belongs to; let us say that it is of sort E_k ; thus the sub-parts of e are of sorts $\{E_1, E_2, \dots, E_n\}$. Some E_k may be natural parts, other artefacts, or structures, or materials. And parts may be either atomic or composite.

The domain analyser continues to examine a finite number of other composite parts: $\{p_j, p_\ell, \dots, p_n\}$. It is then “discovered”, that is, decided, that they all consist of the same number of sub-parts $\{e_{i_1}, e_{i_2}, \dots, e_{i_m}\}, \{e_{j_1}, e_{j_2}, \dots, e_{j_m}\}, \{e_{\ell_1}, e_{\ell_2}, \dots, e_{\ell_m}\}, \dots, \{e_{n_1}, e_{n_2}, \dots, e_{n_m}\}$, of the same, respective, endurant sorts.

(γ) It is therefore concluded, that is, decided, that $\{e_i, e_j, e_\ell, \dots, e_n\}$ are all of the same endurant sort E with observable part sub-sorts $\{E_1, E_2, \dots, E_m\}$.

Above we have *type-font-highlighted* three sentences: (α, β, γ) . When you analyse what they “prescribe” you will see that they entail a “depth-first search” for endurant sorts. The β sentence says it rather directly: “The analyser analyses, for each of these endurants, p_k , which formal concept, i.e., endurant sort it belongs to.” To do this analysis in a proper way, the analyser must (“recursively”) analyse structures into sub-structures, parts and materials, and parts “down” to their atomicity. For the parts (whether natural or man-made) and materials of structures the analyser cum describer decides on their sort, and work (“recurse”) their way “back”, through possibly intermediate endurants, to the p_k s. Of course, when the analyser starts by examining atomic parts and materials, then their endurant structure and part analysis “recursion” is not necessary.

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Thus the discovery of natural parts and natural materials is very much of the kind that the Swedish 18th century botanist, zoologist, and physician Carl von Linné (Carl Linnaeus, 1707–1778) who formulated the so-called binomial nomenclature, the system of naming organisms⁴². Linné is also referred to as “the father of taxonomy”.

3.14.3 An Aside: Taxonomy in Botany and Zoology

For the discovery of natural parts we must therefore really refer to the *taxonomy* disciplines of botany <https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Botany> and zoology <https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zoology>. The term systematics, en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Systematics, is, more or less, synonymous with taxonomy, en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Plant_taxonomy. Typically, for new plant species to be

⁴² Linnæus, *Systema Naturæ*, around 1735. *Systema naturæ, sive regna tria naturæ systematice proposita per classes, ordines, genera, & species.* pp. [112]. Lugduni Batavorum. (Haak), See www.biodiversitylibrary.org/item/15373#page/2/mode/1up

identified botanists make use of a *herbarium*, en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Herbarium. Perhaps geographers, for example, should consider establishing digital herbaria, en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Virtual_herbarium, for geographical matters. And, similarly, for each of the more-or-less separately identifiable man-made domains – some of which are listed in [80].

3.15 Endurant Analysis Function Prompts

We need informally define some analysis functions to be used in the domain description prompt definitions; one, basically, for each non-atomic enduring sort.

3.15.1 Introductory Remarks: On the Non-trivial Nature of Analysis

In this section, i.e., Sect. 3.15, we shall characterise⁴³ a number of analysis functions. These analysis functions apply to endurants, e , such that if `is_category(e)` then we `analyse_category(e)` with respect to its sorts: *which are they?*

This analysis is at the core of domain analysis. It is far from that straightforward. Many possibilities offer themselves. Several *model choices* are abundant. More than one may lead to acceptable, reasonable models. Some may lead to awkward models.

This is so since the domain analyser “moves” from the informal, well, in principle, non-formalisable world of “reality” to the formal world of a domain model.

The presentation, below, of the various analysis functions follows the “tree-like” structure of Fig. 3.1 on Page 44, in a left-to-right, depth-first traversal – except that we treat structures before conjoins.

3.15.2 Analyse Compound Parts

3.15.2.1 Analyse Composite Parts

Analysis Function Prompt 1 `analyse_composite_parts`:

The domain analyser analyses physical parts into a composite part The method provides the *domain analysis prompt*:

- `analyse_composite_parts` directs the domain analyser to observe the definite number of values and corresponding distinct sorts of the part.

value `analyse_composite_parts(e)` $\equiv ((e_1, \dots, e_n), (\text{“}E_1, \dots, E_n\text{”}))$

The ordering, $((e_1, \dots, e_n), (\text{“}E_1, \dots, E_n\text{”}))$, is arbitrary.

3.15.2.2 Analyse Part Sets

3.15.2.2.1 Analyse Single Sort Part Sets

Analysis Function Prompt 2 `analyse_single_sort_part_set`:

The domain analyser analyses physical parts into single sort part sets. The method provides the *domain analysis prompt*:

- `analyse_single_sort_part_set` directs the domain analyser to observe the the single sort part set of values and their single sort.

value `analyse_single_sort_part_sets(e)` $\equiv (\{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n\}, \text{“}P\text{”})$

⁴³ – that is, not define [and certainly not formally so, since that is not possible]

3.15.2.2.2 Analyse Alternative Sorts Part Sets

Analysis Function Prompt 3 `analyse_alternative_sorts_part_set`:

The domain analyser analyses physical parts into alternative sorts part sets. The method provides the *domain analysis prompt*:

- `analyse_alternative_sorts_part_set` directs the domain analyser to observe the values and corresponding sorts of the part.

value `analyse_alternative_sorts_part_set(e) ≡ ((p1, “E1”), ..., (pn, “En”))`

The set of parts, of different sorts, may have more than one element, p, p', \dots, p'' being of the same sort E_i .

3.15.3 Analyse Structures

Structures are like compounds: they are either composite or are set structures, in which latter case they are either single sort part sets or are alternative sorts part sets. As such we treat them as if they were compounds but shall not later, in Chapter 4, analyse their “root” element for possible internal qualities as they have no “root” element !

3.15.4 Analyse Conjoins

3.15.4.1 Analyse Part-Materials Conjoins

Analysis Function Prompt 4 `analyse_part_materials`:

The domain analyser analyses a conjoin into a part-materials conjoin. The method provides the *domain analysis prompt*:

- `analyse_part_materials` directs the domain analyser to observe the values and sorts of the part and the materials:

value `analyse_part_materials(e) ≡ ((p, “P”), {(m1, “M_1”), ..., (mm, “M_m”)})`

3.15.4.2 Analyse Material-Parts-Parts Conjoins

Analysis Function Prompt 5 `analyse_material_parts_parts`:

The domain analyser analyses a conjoin into a material-parts-parts conjoin. The method provides the *domain analysis prompt*:

- `analyse_material_parts_parts` directs the domain analyser to observe the values and sorts of the material, the “fixed” parts and the “movable” parts.

value

`analyse_material_parts_parts(e) ≡ ((m, {fp1, ..., fpm}, {mp1, ..., mpn}), (“M, fP, mP”))`

Elaboration 1 Type, Values and Type Names: The enduring analysis functions, this and the below, all illustrate quoting ■

Material and Parts of Transports

Example 34

We exemplify three kinds of transport.

- **Air Transport:** The material of a air transport is an airspace, an `EXTENT`.⁴⁴ The fixed parts of air transport is a set of two or more airports. The movable parts of air transport is a set of zero, one or more aircraft.
- **Ocean-Shipping:** The material of ocean-shipping is the oceans, seen as one, an `EXTENT`. The fixed parts of ocean-shipping is a set of two or more harbours. The movable parts of ocean-shipping is a set of zero, one or more ships.
- **Rail Transport** The material of rail transport is a (possibly bridge- or tunnel-connected) land area, the `EXTENT`. The fixed parts of rail transport is a connected rail net. The movable parts of ocean-shipping is a set of zero, one or more trains.

3.15.4.3 Analyse Part-Parts Conjoins

Analysis Function Prompt 6 `analyse_part_parts`:

The *domain analysis prompt*

- `analyse_part_parts` directs the domain analyser to observe a “compound” of one or more materials that the conjoin embodies – together with their material sort names.

value

`analyse_part_parts(e) ≡ ((p,(p1,p2,...,pn)),(“P”,(“P1”,...,“Pn”)))` ■

3.16 Calculating Sort Describers

Based on the analyses of Sects. 3.8, 3.10, 3.12 and 3.13, we conclude that there are the following kinds of endurants to sort- (i.e., type) and observer function describe:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • □ <i>composite parts</i> (a), • sets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⊗ □ <i>single sort part sets</i> (b), ⊗ □ <i>alternative sorts part sets</i> (c), • conjoins: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⊗ □ <i>part-materials conjoins</i>, ⊗ □ <i>material-parts-parts conjoins</i>, ⊗ □ <i>part-parts conjoins</i>, and • □□□ <i>structures</i>, with their three variants (a-b-c). |
|---|--|

Atomic parts are what is left, when compounds, conjoins and structures have no further sub endurants. The general signature of the describer functions are of the form:

value describe.....sorts: $E \rightarrow \text{RSL-Text}$

3.16.1 Calculating Compound Parts Sorts

Compound parts are either composite parts, with a definite number of elements, or are sets, with an indefinite number of elements. Set parts are either single sort sets or are alternative sorts sets.

⁴⁴ For `EXTENT`s see Item 70 on Page 23 of Sect. 2.4 on Page 22.

3.16.1.1 Calculating Composite Parts Sorts

The above analysis amounts to the analyser first “applying” the *domain analysis* prompt `is_composite(e)` to a discrete endurant, e , where we now assume that the obtained truth value is **true**. Let us assume that endurants $e:E$ consist of sub-endurants of sorts $\{E_1, E_2, \dots, E_m\}$. Since we cannot automatically guarantee that our domain descriptions secure that E and each E_i ($1 \leq i \leq m$) denotes disjoint sets of entities we must prove it.

Domain Description Prompt 1 `calculate_composite_parts_sorts`: If `is_composite(e)` holds, then the analyser “applies” the *domain description prompt*

- `calculate_composite_parts_sorts(e)`

resulting in the analyser writing down the *endurant sorts and endurant sort observers* domain description text according to the following schema:

2. `calculate_composite_parts_sorts(e)` Describer

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let (45, (“E1,...,En”)) = analyse_composite_parts_sorts(e)46 in
“Narration:
[s] ... narrative text on sorts ...
[o] ... narrative text on sort observers ...
[p] ... narrative text on proof obligations ...
Formalisation:
type
[s] E1, “...”, Em
value
[o] obs_E1: E → E1, “...”, obs_Em: E → Em
proof obligation
[p] [Disjointness of endurant sorts]”
end

```

⁴⁵ The use of the underscore, ₄₅, shall inform the reader that there is not need, here, for naming a value.

⁴⁶ For `analyse_composite_parts` see Sect. 3.15.2.1 on Page 63

Elaboration 2 Type, Values and Type Names: Note the use of quotes above. Please observe that when we write `obs_E` then `obs_E` is the name of a function. The E , when juxtaposed to `obs_` is now a name ■

Analysis Function Prompt 7 `type_name, type_of, is_`:

The definition of `obs_Ei` implicitly implies the definition of

- $\text{obs_E}_i(e) = e_i \supset \text{type_name}(e_i) \equiv \text{“E}_i\text{”} \wedge \text{type_of}(e_i) \equiv E_i \wedge \text{is_E}_i(e_i)$

Modelling Choice 1 *Composites*: For compound endurants and structures the analyser cum describer chooses some to be modelled as composites.

A Road Transport Domain, I: Composite

Example 35 ⁴⁷

105 There is the universe of discourse, UoD .
It is composed from

106 a road net, RN , and
107 a fleet of vehicles, FV .

type	value
105 UoD	106 obs_RN: UoD \rightarrow RN
106 RN	107 obs_FV: UoD \rightarrow FV ■
107 FV	

We continue the analysis & description of “our” road transport system:

108 The road net consists of	109 The fleet of vehicles consists of
a a, as we shall later see, structure, <i>SH</i> , of hubs and	a a, as we shall likewise see, structure, <i>SBC</i> , of bus companies, and
b a, as we shall also later see, structure, <i>SL</i> , of links.	b a, as we shall later see, structure, <i>PA</i> , a pool of automobiles.

type	value
108a SH	108a obs_SH: RN \rightarrow SH
108b SL	108b obs_SL: RN \rightarrow SL
109a SBC	109a obs_BC: FV \rightarrow BC
109b PA	109b obs_PA: FV \rightarrow PA

Figure 3.3 graphically depicts [the dotted/dashed lines] Example 35 on the preceding page’s composition of parts. The fully lined square boxes stand for atomic parts: links, hubs, buses and automobiles. These will be formally introduced in Example 38 on Page 72.

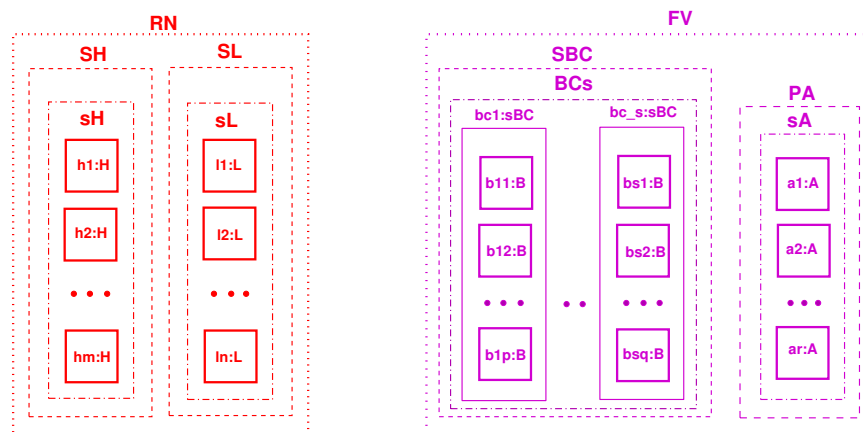


Fig. 3.3. A Road Transport System Compounds and Structures

⁴⁷ Example 35 on the preceding page’s **Narration** is not representative of what it should be. Here is a more reasonable narration:

- A road net is a set of hubs (road intersections) and links such that links are connected to adjacent hubs, and such that connected links and hubs form *roads* and where a road is a *thoroughfare*, *route*, or *way* on land between two places that has been paved or otherwise improved to allow travel by foot or some form of conveyance, including a motor vehicle, cart, bicycle, or horse [Wikipedia]

Et cetera for *fleet of vehicles*.

We bring this clarification here, once, and allow ourselves, with the reader’s permission, to narrate only very steno-graphically.

3.16.1.2 Calculating Single Sort Part Sets

Domain Description Prompt 2 **calculate_single_sort_parts_sort:** If `is_single_set_sort_parts(e)` holds, then the analyser “applies” the **domain description prompt**

- `calculate_single_sort_parts(e)`

resulting in the analyser writing down the *single set sort and sort observers* domain description text according to the following schema:

3. calculate_single_sort_parts_sort(e) Describer

```

let (_, “P”) = analyse_single_sort_part(e)48 in
“Narration:
[s] ... narrative text on sort ...
[o] ... narrative text on sort observer ...
[p] ... narrative text on proof obligation ...
Formalisation:
type
[s] P
[s] Ps = P-set
value
[o] obs_Ps: E → Ps
end

```

⁴⁸ For `analyse_single_sort_part` see Sect. 3.15.2.2.1 on Page 63.

Elaboration 3 Type, Values and Type Names: Note the use of quotes above. Please observe that when we write `obs_Ps` then `obs_Ps` is the name of a function. The `Ps`, when juxtaposed to `obs_` is now a name ■

Modelling Choice 2 Single Sort Part Sets: For compounds and structures the analyser cum describer chooses some to be modelled as sets of endurants of the same sort.

3.16.1.3 Calculating Alternative Sort Part Sets

To motivate the alternative sorts notion we first bring this example.

Example 36 Alternative Rail Units

- | | |
|--|---|
| <p>110 The example is that of a railway system.</p> <p>111 We focus on railway nets. They can be observed from the railway system.</p> <p>112 The railway net embodies a set of [railway] net units.</p> <p>113 A net unit is either a straight or curved linear unit, or a simple switch, i.e., a turnout, unit⁵⁰ or</p> | <p>a simple cross-over, i.e., a rigid crossing unit, or a single switched cross-over, i.e., a single slip unit, or a double switched cross-over, i.e., a double slip unit, or a terminal unit.</p> <p>114 As a formal specification language technicality disjointness of the respective rail unit types is afforded by RSL’s :: type definition construct.</p> |
|--|---|

We refer to Figure 3.4 on the facing page.

<p>type</p> <p>110. RS</p> <p>111. RN</p>	<p>value</p> <p>111. obs_RN: RS → RN</p> <p>type</p>
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⁵⁰ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Railroad_switch

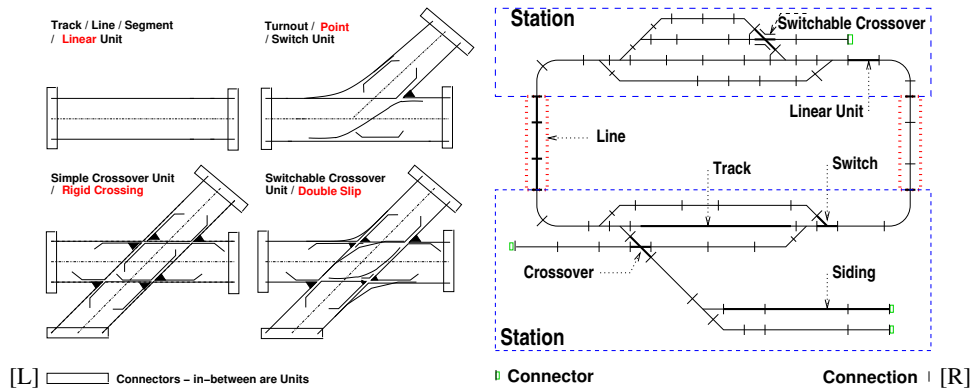


Fig. 3.4. Left: Four net units; Right: A railway net

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112. NUs = NU-set
113. NU = LU | PU | RU | SU | DU | TU
114. LU :: LinU
114. PU :: PntU
114. SU :: SwiU
114. DU :: DbIU
114. TU :: TerU
value
112. obs_NUs: RN → NUs

```

We continue this example in Example 50 on Page 93 ■

Domain Description Prompt 3 **calculate_alternative_sort_part_sorts**: If `is_alternative_sort_parts_sorts(e)` holds, then the analyser “applies” the **domain description prompt**

- `calculate_alternative_sort_part_sorts(e)`

resulting in the analyser writing down the *alternative sort and sort observers* domain description text according to the following schema:

4. calculate_alternative_sort_part_sorts(e) Descriptor

let $((p_1, \text{“E1”}), \dots, (p_n, \text{“En”})) = \text{analyse_alternative_sorts_part_set_sorts}(e)^{51}$ in

“Narration:

- [s] ... narrative text on alternative sorts ...
- [o] ... narrative text on sort observers ...
- [p] ... narrative text on proof obligations ...

Formalisation:

```

type
[s] Ea = E_1 | ... | E_n
[s] E_1 :: End_1, ..., E_n :: End_n
value
[o] obs_Ea: E → Ea
axiom
[p] [ disjointness of alternative sorts ] E_1, ..., E_n
end

```

The set of parts, of different sorts, may have more than one element, say p, p', \dots, p'' being of the same sort E_i . Since parts are not mentioned in the sort description above, cf., –, only the distinct alternative sort observers appear in that description.

⁵¹ For `analyse_alternative_sort_part_sorts` see Sect. 3.15.2.2.2 on Page 64.

Modelling Choice 3 *Alternative Sort Part Sets*: For compounds and structures the analyser cum describer chooses some to be modelled as sets of endurants of alternative sorts.

3.16.2 Calculating Structure Sorts

You will have observed that the *compound parts* and the *structures* endurants have in common that they both analyse into composites, respectively sets. What distinguishes them is that compound parts have internal qualities, but structures have not. Their “siblings” may, and usually will, have. Since this section, i.e., Sect. 3.16, is about *sort describers* only we can therefore “re-use” the *sort observers* of Sect. 3.16.1 – and need therefore not “repeat” them here.

Modelling Choice 4 *Structures*: For discrete endurants the analyser cum describer chooses some to be modelled as structures, that is, as an endurants with no substance “in-itself”, only in it “siblings”.

3.16.3 Calculating Conjoin Sorts

We remind the reader of Sect. 3.13.3 on Page 58 on *conjoins*.

3.16.3.1 Calculating Part-Materials Sorts

Domain Description Prompt 4 *calculate_part_materials_sorts*: The *domain description prompt*:

- `calculate_part_materials_sorts(e)`

yields the *conjoin sorts* and *conjoin sort observers* domain description text according to the following schema:

5. *calculate_part_materials_sorts(e)* Describer

let $((_, \text{“P”}), (_, \text{“M1”}), \dots, (_, \text{“Mm”})) = \text{analyse_part_materials_sorts}(e)^{53}$ in

“Narration:

[s] ... narrative text on conjoin sorts ...

[o] ... narrative text on conjoin sort observers ...

Formalisation:

type

[s] P

[s] M1, ..., Mm

value

[o] **obs_P**: $E \rightarrow P$

[o] **obs_M1**: $E \rightarrow M1$, “...”, **obs_Mm**: $E \rightarrow Mm$ ”

end

⁵³ For `analyse_part_materials_sorts` see Sect. 3.15.4.1 on Page 64.

We shall mostly associate more than one material with a special kind of conjoins: the so-called *treatment* conjoins, leaving all other conjoins to embody just one material.

Analysis Function Prompt 8 *type_name*, *type_of*, *is_*:

The definitions of **obs_Mi**: $E \rightarrow \text{Mi}$ implicitly imply the definition of

- $\text{obs_Mi}(e) = \text{mo} \supset \text{type_name}(mi) \equiv \text{“Mi”}$
 $\text{obs_Mi}(e) = \text{mi} \supset \text{type_of}(mi) \equiv \text{Mi}$

Modelling Choice 5 *Part-Materials*: For some physical parts the analyser cum describer chooses for some to be modelled as conjoins, and then in the form of a “master” part of a set of “sibling” materials.

Pipeline Parts and Material

Example 37 We refer to Appendix Sect. A.1.

3.16.3.2 Calculating Material-Parts-Parts Sorts

Domain Description Prompt 5 `calculate_material_parts_parts_sorts`: The *domain description prompt*:

- `calculate_material_parts_parts_sorts(e)`

yields the *material-parts-parts conjoin sorts and conjoin sort observers* domain description text according to the following schema:

6. `calculate_material_parts_sorts(e)` Descriptor

```
let (_, (“M,fP,mP”)) = analyse_material_parts_parts_material(e)55 in
“Narration:
[s] ... narrative text on conjoin sorts ...
[o] ... narrative text on conjoin sort observers ...
Formalisation:
type
[s] M, fP, mP
value
[o] obs_M: E → M
[o] obs_fP: E → fP
[o] obs_mP: E → mP ”
end
```

⁵⁵ For `analyse_material_parts_parts_sorts` see Sect. 3.15.4.2 on Page 64.

Analysis Function Prompt 9 `type_name, type_of, is_`:

The definitions of **obs_M**: E → M and **obs_P**: E → P implicitly imply the definition of

- $\text{obs_M}(e)=m \supset \text{type_name}(m) \equiv \text{“M”}$ $\text{obs_M}(e)=m \supset \text{type_of}(m) \equiv \text{M}$
 $\text{obs_fP}(e)=fp \Rightarrow \text{type_name}(fp) \equiv \text{“fP”}$ $\text{obs_fP}(e)=fp \Rightarrow \text{type_of}(fp) \equiv \text{fP}$
 $\text{obs_mP}(e)=mp \Rightarrow \text{type_name}(mp) \equiv \text{“mP”}$ $\text{obs_mP}(e)=mp \Rightarrow \text{type_of}(mp) \equiv \text{mP}$

Modelling Choice 6 *Material-Parts-Parts*: For some physical parts the analyser cum describer chooses for some to be modelled as conjoins, and then in the form of a “master” material and of a set of “sibling” materials.

3.16.3.3 Calculating Part-Parts Sorts

Domain Description Prompt 6 **calculate_part_parts_sorts:** The **domain description prompt:**

- `calculate_part_parts_sorts(e)`

yields the *conjoin sorts and conjoin sort observers* domain description text according to the following schema:

7. calculate_part_parts_sorts(e) Describer

```

let (_, ("P", ("P1, ..., Pn"))) = analyse_part_parts_sorts(e) in
“Narration:
[s] ... narrative text on conjoin sorts ...
[o] ... narrative text on conjoin sort observers ...
[p] ... proof obligation text ...
Formalisation:
type
[s] P, P1, ..., Pn
value
[o] obs_P: E → P
[o] obs_P1: E → P1, ..., obs_Pn: E → Pn
axiom
[p] [ disjointness of P1, ..., Pn ]
end

```

56 For `analyse_part_parts_sorts` see Sect. 3.15.4.3 on Page 65.

Analysis Function Prompt 10 **type_name, type_of, is_:**

The definitions of `obs_P: E → P` implicitly imply the definition of

- $\text{obs_P}(e) = p \supset \text{type_name}(p) \equiv \text{“P”}$
 $\text{obs_P}(e) = p \supset \text{type_of}(p) \equiv P$
 $\text{obs_Pi}(e) = pi \supset \text{type_name}(pi) \equiv \text{“Pi”} \quad [i = 1, \dots, n]$
 $\text{obs_Pi}(e) = pi \supset \text{type_of}(pi) \equiv Pi \quad [i = 1, \dots, n]$

Modelling Choice 7 Part-Parts: As for composites, structures and, now, in general for conjoins the analyser cum describer chooses for some model of a domain, one subset of the parts forming the conjoin, for another model of supposedly “the same” domain another subset.

A Road Transport Domain, III: Part-Parts

Example 38

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115 The structure of hubs is a set, sH, of atomic hubs, H.
116 The structure of links is a set, sL, of atomic links, L.
117 The structure of buses is a set, sBC, of composite bus companies, BC.
118 The composite bus companies, BC, are sets of buses, sB.
119 The structure of private automobiles is a set, sA, of atomic automobiles, A.

115 H, sH = H-set axiom  $\forall h:H \cdot \text{is\_atomic}(h)$ 
116 L, sL = L-set axiom  $\forall l:L \cdot \text{is\_atomic}(l)$ 
117 BC, BCs = BC-set axiom  $\forall bc:BC \cdot \text{is\_composite}(bc)$ 
118 B, Bs = B-set axiom  $\forall b:B \cdot \text{is\_atomic}(b)$ 
119 A, sA = A-set axiom  $\forall a:A \cdot \text{is\_atomic}(a)$ 

```



```

value
115 obs_sH: SH → sH
116 obs_sL: SL → sL
117 obs_sBC: SBC → BCs
118 obs_Bs: BCs → Bs
119 obs_sA: SA → sA ■

```

3.17 On Endurant Sorts

3.17.1 Derivation Chains

Let E be a composite sort or a structure. Let E_1, E_2, \dots, E_m be the endurants “discovered” by means of `observe_endurant_sorts(e)` where $e:E$. We say that E_1, E_2, \dots, E_m are (immediately) **derived** from E . If E_k is derived from E_j and E_j is derived from E_i , then, by transitivity, E_k is **derived** from E_i .

3.17.2 No Recursive Derivations:

We “mandate” that if E_k is derived from E_j then sort name E_j is different from sort name E_k and there can be no E_k derived from E_j , that is, E_k cannot be derived from E_k . That is, we do not “provide for” recursive domain sorts. It is not a question, actually of allowing recursive domain sorts. It is, we claim to have observed, in very many *analysis & description* experiments, that there are no recursive domain sorts!⁵⁸

3.17.3 Names of Part Sorts and Types

The **domain analysis & description** text prompts `observe_endurant_sorts`, as well as the below-defined `observe_part_type`, `observe_component_sorts` and `observe_material_sorts` – as well as the further below defined `attribute_names`, `observe_material_sorts`, `observe_unique_identifier`, `observe_mereology` and `observe_attributes` prompts introduced below – “yield” type names. That is, it is as if there is a reservoir of an indefinite-sized set of such names from which these names are selected, and once obtained are never again selected. There may be domains for which two distinct part sorts may be composed from identical part sorts. *In this case the domain analyser indicates so by prescribing a part sort already introduced.*

3.18 States

In our continued modelling we shall make good use of a concept of states.

Definition: 58 State: By a *state* we shall understand any collection of one or more parts ■

In Chapter 4 we introduce the notion of *attributes*. Among attributes there are the *dynamic attributes*. They model that internal part quality values may change dynamically. So we may wish, on occasion, to ‘refine’ our notion of state to be just those parts which have dynamic attributes.

Given any universe of discourse, $uod:UoD$, we can recursively calculate its “full” state.

⁵⁸ Some readers may object, but we insist! If *trees* are brought forward as an example of a recursively definable domain, then we argue: Yes, trees can be recursively defined, but it is not recursive. Trees can, as well, be defined as a variant of graphs, and you wouldn’t claim, would you, that graphs are recursive?

- 120 Let e be any enduring.
 Let arg_parts be the parts to be calculated.
 Let res_parts be the parts calculated.
 Initialise the calculator with $\text{arg_parts}=\{e\}$ and $\text{res_parts}=\{\}$.
 Calculation stops with arg_parts empty and res_parts the result.
- 121 If $\text{is_composite}(e)$ then we obtain its immediate parts, $\text{analyse_composite_part}(e)$;
 now *rearrange* argument and result parameters:
 remove e from in_parts ;
 add $\text{analyse_composite_part}(e)$ to in_parts ;
 and join e to out_parts .
- 122 If $\text{is_part_parts}(e)$ then we obtain its immediate parts;
 then suitably *rearrange* argument and result parameters.
- 123 If $\text{is_part_materials}(e)$ then we obtain its immediate parts;
 then suitably *rearrange* argument and result parameters.
- 124 And so forth !

value

120. $\text{calc_parts}: E\text{-set} \rightarrow E\text{-set} \rightarrow E\text{-set}$
 120. $\text{calc_parts}(\text{arg_parts})(\text{res_parts}) \equiv$
 120. if $\text{arg_parts} = \{\}$ then res_parts else
 120. let $e \cdot e \in \text{arg_parts}$ in
 121. $\text{is_composite}(e) \rightarrow$
 121. $\text{calc_parts}(\text{analyse_composite_part}(e))(\text{res_parts} \cup \{e\})$
 122. $\text{is_part_parts}(e) \rightarrow$
 122. $\text{calc_parts}(\text{analyse_part_parts}(e))(\text{res_parts} \cup \{e\})$
 123. $\text{is_part_materials}(e) \rightarrow$
 123. $\text{calc_parts}(\text{analyse_part_materials}(e))(\text{res_parts} \cup \{e\})$
 124. et cetera !
 120. end end

Constants and States**Example 39**

125 Let there be given a universe of discourse, rt_s . It is an example of a state.

From that state we can calculate other states.

- 126 The set of all hubs, hs .
 127 The set of all links, ls .
 128 The set of all hubs and links, hls .
 129 The set of all bus companies, bcs .
 130 The set of all buses, bs .
 131 The set of all private automobiles, as .
 132 The set of all parts, ps .

value

- 125 $rt_s: \text{UoD}$ [125]
 126 $hs: H\text{-set} \equiv: H\text{-set} \equiv \text{obs_sH}(\text{obs_SH}(\text{obs_RN}(rt_s)))$
 127 $ls: L\text{-set} \equiv: L\text{-set} \equiv \text{obs_sL}(\text{obs_SL}(\text{obs_RN}(rt_s)))$
 128 $hls: (H|L)\text{-set} \equiv hs \cup ls$
 129 $bcs: BC\text{-set} \equiv \text{obs_BCs}(\text{obs_SBC}(\text{obs_FV}(\text{obs_RN}(rt_s))))$
 130 $bs: B\text{-set} \equiv \cup \{ \text{obs_Bs}(bc) | bc: BC \cdot bc \in bcs \}$

```

131 as:A-set ≡ obs.BCs(obs_SBC(obs_FV(obs_RN(rts)))
132 ps:(UoB|H|L|BC|B|A)-set ≡ rts∪hls∪bcs∪bs∪as

```

Method Step 7 Domain State:

We have found, once all the state components, i.e., the endurant parts, have had their external qualities analysed, that it is then expedient to define the domain state. It can then be the basis for several concepts of internal qualities.

We refer to Sect. 6.2.1 on Page 127 for more on states.

3.19 A Domain Discovery Process, I

In this and some following sections⁵⁹ we shall clarify some aspects of the *domain analysis & description* method. A method principle is that of *exhaustively analyse & describe* all external qualities of the domain under scrutiny. A method technique implied here is that sketched in Sect. 4.8 on Page 118. The method tools are here all the analysis and description prompts covered so far.

In this initial chapter on *domain analysis & description* we have systematically covered, first, the analysis of external qualities of domain endurants, then the description of these. We have done so in a style which **analysed domains**, as it were, “top-down”; from overall domain universes of discourse; through entities, endurants, discrete and continuous (material) endurants; further “across” physical parts, structures and living species; the natural and artefactual parts of the physical parts; to finally conclude our external qualities analysis with the atomic, composite and conjoin parts. With the ontology of the external qualities of domain endurants “behind us” we then concluded the main sections of this chapter with the *description* of external domain qualities, that is, *Describer Schemas* 1–5 (Pages 66–71). We can now gather all of this together with advice on a systematic process of performing the analysis & description process. Chapters 4 (Sect. 4.8 on Page 118) and 6 (Sect. 6.12 on Page 158) will likewise systematise the processes of discovering internal endurant qualities and perdurants, respectively.

3.19.1 A Domain Discovery Notice Board

Common to all the discovery processes is an idea of a *notice board*. A notice board, at any time in the development of a domain description, is a repository of the analysis and description process. We suggest to model the notice board in terms of three global variables. The **new** variable holds the parts yet to be described, The **asn** variable holds the sort name of parts that have so far been described, the **gen** variable holds the parts that have so far been described, and the **txt** variable holds the RSL-Text so far generated. We model the **txt** variable as a map from endurant identifier names to RSL-Text.

A Domain Discovery Notice Board

```

variable
  new := {uod} ,
  asn := { “UoD ” }
  gen := { } ,
  txt:RSL-Text:= [ uid_UoD(uod) ↦ < “type UoD ” > ]

```

⁵⁹ Sects. 4.8 on Page 118 and 6.12 on Page 158

3.19.2 An Endurant External Qualities Discovery Process

The `discover_sorts` pseudo program suggests a systematic way of proceeding through analysis, manifested by the `is_...` predicates, to (\rightarrow) description.

Some comments are in order. The $e\text{-set}_a \sqcup e\text{-set}_b$ expression yields a set of endurants that are either in $e\text{-set}_a$, or in $e\text{-set}_b$, or in both, but such that two endurants, e_x and e_y which are of the same endurants type, say E , and are in respective sets is only represented once in the result; that is, if they are type-wise the same, but value-wise different they will only be included once in the result. As this is the first time RSL-Text is put on the notice board we express this as:

- $\text{txt} := \text{txt} \cup [\text{type_name}(v) \mapsto \langle \text{RSL-Text} \rangle]$

Subsequent insertion of RSL-Text for internal quality descriptions and perdurants is then concatenated to the end of previously uploaded RSL-Text.

An External Qualities Domain Analysis and Description Process

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value
discover_sorts: Unit → Unit
discover_sorts() ≡
  while new ≠ {} do let v • v ∈ new in
    ( new := new \ {v} || gen := gen ∪ {v} || ans := ans \ {type_of(v)} ) ;
    is_atomic(v) → skip ,
    is_compound(v) →
      is_composite(v) →
        let ((e1,...,en),("E1,...,En"))=analyse_composite_parts(v) in
          ( ans := ans ∪ { "E1,...,En" } || new := new ∪ {e1,...,en} ||
            txt := txt ∪ [type_name(v) ↦ <calculate_composite_part_sorts(v)>] ) end,
        is_set(v) →
          ( is_single_sort_set(v) →
              let ((p1,...,pn),("P"))=analyse_single_sort_parts_set(v) in
                ( ans := ans ∪ { "P" } || new := new ∪ {p1,...,pn} ||
                  txt := txt ∪ [type_name(v) ↦ calculate_single_sort_part_sort(v)] ) end,
              is_alternative_sorts_set(v) →
                let ((p1,"E1"),...,(pn,"En"))=analyse_alternative_sorts_part_set(v) in
                  ( ans := ans ∪ { "E1,...,En" } || new := new ∪ {p1,...,pn} ||
                    txt := txt ∪ [type_name(v) ↦ calculate_alternative_sorts_part_sort(v)] ) end ),
            is_conjoin(v) →
              ( is_part_materials_conjoin(v) →
                  let ((p,"P"),{(m1,"M1"),...,(mm,"Mm")})=analyse_part_materials(v) in
                    ( new := new ∪ {m1,...,mn} || ans := ans ∪ { "P" } ||
                      txt := txt ∪ [type_name(v) ↦ <describe_part_materials_sorts(v)>] ) end,
                  is_material_parts_parts_conjoin(v) →
                      let ((m,{fp1,...,fpm},{mp1,...,mpn}),("M,fP,mP"))=analyse_material_parts_parts(v) in
                        ( ans := ans ∪ { "M,fP,mP" } || new := new ∪ {m,fp1,...,fpm} ||
                          txt := txt ∪ [type_name(v) ↦ <describe_material_parts_parts_sorts(v)>] ) end,
                      is_part_parts_conjoin(v) →
                          let ((p,(p1,p2,...,pn)),("P","P1,...,Pn"))=analyse_part_parts(v) in
                            ( ans := ans ∪ { "P,P1,...,Pn" } || new := new ∪ {p,p1,...,pn} ||
                              txt := txt ∪ [type_name(v) ↦ <describe_part_parts_sorts(v)>] ) end ) end end

```

3.19.3 An Assumption

In the above *External Qualities Domain Analysis and Description Process* Schema we have conjectured that atomic parts have already had their type and observer function defined.

⁵⁹ For structures we remove the structure endurants, here v , from `ans` as it has no “root” part to be further analysed and described. This marks – a **major** – difference between composite endurants and structure endurants.

3.20 Formal Concept Analysis

Domain analysis involves that of concept analysis. As soon as we have identified an entity for analysis we have identified a concept. The entity is usually a spatio-temporal, i.e., a physical thing. Once we speak of it, it becomes a concept. Instead of examining just one entity the domain analyser shall examine many entities. Instead of describing one entity the domain describer shall describe a class of entities. Ganter & Wille's [158] addresses this issue.

3.20.1 A Formalisation

This section is a transcription of Ganter & Wille's [158] *Formal Concept Analysis, Mathematical Foundations*, the 1999 edition, Pages 17–18.

Some Notation: By \mathcal{E} we shall understand the type of entities; by \mathbb{E} we shall understand a phenomenon of type \mathcal{E} ; by \mathcal{Q} we shall understand the type of qualities; by \mathbb{Q} we shall understand a quality of type \mathcal{Q} ; by $\mathcal{E}\text{-set}$ we shall understand the type of sets of entities; by $\mathbb{E}\mathbb{S}$ we shall understand a set of entities of type $\mathcal{E}\text{-set}$; by $\mathcal{Q}\text{-set}$ we shall understand the type of sets of qualities; and by $\mathbb{Q}\mathbb{S}$ we shall understand a set of qualities of type $\mathcal{Q}\text{-set}$.

Definition: 59 Formal Context: A *formal context* $\mathbb{K} := (\mathbb{E}\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{I}, \mathbb{Q}\mathbb{S})$ consists of two sets; $\mathbb{E}\mathbb{S}$ of entities and $\mathbb{Q}\mathbb{S}$ of qualities, and a relation \mathbb{I} between \mathbb{E} and \mathbb{Q} ■

To express that \mathbb{E} is in relation \mathbb{I} to a Quality \mathbb{Q} we write $\mathbb{E} \cdot \mathbb{I} \cdot \mathbb{Q}$, which we read as “entity \mathbb{E} *has* quality \mathbb{Q} ” ■ Example enduring entities are a specific vehicle, another specific vehicle, et cetera; a specific street segment (link), another street segment, et cetera; a specific road intersection (hub), another specific road intersection, et cetera, a monitor. Example enduring entity qualities are (a vehicle) has mobility, (a vehicle) has velocity (≥ 0), (a vehicle) has acceleration, et cetera; (a link) has length (> 0), (a link) has location, (a link) has traffic state, et cetera.

Definition: 60 Qualities Common to a Set of Entities: For any subset, $s\mathbb{E}\mathbb{S} \subseteq \mathbb{E}\mathbb{S}$, of entities we can define $\mathcal{Q}\mathcal{Q}$ for “derive[d] set of qualities”.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Q}\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{E}\text{-set} &\rightarrow (\mathcal{E}\text{-set} \times \mathcal{I} \times \mathcal{Q}\text{-set}) \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}\text{-set} \\ \mathcal{Q}\mathcal{Q}(s\mathbb{E}\mathbb{S})(\mathbb{E}\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{I}, \mathbb{Q}\mathbb{S}) &\equiv \{\mathbb{Q} \mid \mathbb{Q} : \mathcal{Q}, \mathbb{E} : \mathcal{E} \cdot \mathbb{E} \in s\mathbb{E}\mathbb{S} \wedge \mathbb{E} \cdot \mathbb{I} \cdot \mathbb{Q}\} \\ \text{pre: } s\mathbb{E}\mathbb{S} &\subseteq \mathbb{E}\mathbb{S} \end{aligned}$$

The above expresses: “the set of qualities common to entities in $s\mathbb{E}\mathbb{S}$ ” ■

Definition: 61 Entities Common to a Set of Qualities: For any subset, $s\mathbb{Q}\mathbb{S} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}\mathbb{S}$, of qualities we can define $\mathcal{E}\mathcal{E}$ for “derive[d] set of entities”.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}\mathcal{E} : \mathcal{Q}\text{-set} &\rightarrow (\mathcal{E}\text{-set} \times \mathcal{I} \times \mathcal{Q}\text{-set}) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}\text{-set} \\ \mathcal{E}\mathcal{E}(s\mathbb{Q}\mathbb{S})(\mathbb{E}\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{I}, \mathbb{Q}\mathbb{S}) &\equiv \{\mathbb{E} \mid \mathbb{E} : \mathcal{E}, \mathbb{Q} : \mathcal{Q} \cdot \mathbb{Q} \in s\mathbb{Q}\mathbb{S} \wedge \mathbb{E} \cdot \mathbb{I} \cdot \mathbb{Q}\}, \\ \text{pre: } s\mathbb{Q}\mathbb{S} &\subseteq \mathbb{Q}\mathbb{S} \end{aligned}$$

The above expresses: “the set of entities which have all qualities in $s\mathbb{Q}\mathbb{S}$ ” ■

Definition: 62 Formal Concept: A *formal concept* of a context \mathbb{K} is a pair:

- $(s\mathbb{Q}, s\mathbb{E})$ where
 - ∞ $\mathcal{Q}\mathcal{Q}(s\mathbb{E})(\mathbb{E}\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{I}, \mathbb{Q}\mathbb{S}) = s\mathbb{Q}$ and
 - ∞ $\mathcal{E}\mathcal{E}(s\mathbb{Q})(\mathbb{E}\mathbb{S}, \mathbb{I}, \mathbb{Q}\mathbb{S}) = s\mathbb{E}$;
- $s\mathbb{Q}$ is called the *intent* of \mathbb{K} and $s\mathbb{E}$ is called the *extent* of \mathbb{K} ■

3.20.2 Types Are Formal Concepts

Now comes the “crunch”: *In the TripTych domain analysis we strive to find formal concepts and, when we think we have found one, we assign a type (or a sort) and qualities to it!*

3.20.3 Practicalities

There is a little problem. To search for all those entities of a domain which each have the same sets of qualities is not feasible. So we do a combination of two things: (i) we identify a small set of entities all having the same qualities and tentatively associate them with a type, and (ii) we identify certain nouns of our national language and if such a noun does indeed designate a set of entities all having the same set of qualities then we tentatively associate the noun with a type. Having thus, tentatively, identified a type we conjecture that type and search for counterexamples, that is, entities which refute the conjecture. This “process” of conjectures and refutations is iterated until some satisfaction is arrived at that the postulated type constitutes a reasonable conjecture.

3.20.4 Formal Concepts: A Wider Implication

The formal concepts of a domain form Galois Connections [158]. We gladly admit that this fact is one of the reasons why we emphasise *formal concept analysis*. At the same time we must admit that this paper does not do justice to this fact. We have experimented with the analysis & description of a number of domains, and have noticed such Galois connections, but it is, for us, too early to report on this. Thus we invite the reader to study this aspect of domain analysis.

3.21 Summary

This chapter’s main title was: **DOMAINS – A Taxonomy**. So, the taxonomy of a domain, such as we have studied it and such as we ordain one aspect of **domain analysis & description**, is about manifestly visible and tangible properties, that is, the *external qualities*. For that study & practice we have suggested a number of analysis & description prompts.

3.21.1 The Description Schemas

We have culminated this chapter with the analysis prompts 1–6 (Pages 63–65), and the description prompts 1–6 (Pages 66–72).

They all describe the, in our case RSL, domain description text to ‘produce’ when external quality analysing & describing a given endurant; but what about the description of those endurants *revealed by the analysis & description of that given endurant*?

The answer is simple. That is up to you! The **domain analysis & description method** primarily gives you the **tools**. But!

- A **principle** of the method could be to secure that all relevant, i.e., implied, endurants are analysed & described.
- A **technique** could be to, somehow, “set aside” all those endurants *revealed by the analysis & description of any given endurant* – with the proviso that no endurant, of **type**, for example, P, is analysed & described more than once.

We refer to Sect. 3.19 on Page 75 for a suggested analysis & description technique (cum pseudo program expressed in pseudo RSL).

3.21.2 Modelling Choices

In this chapter we have put forward some advice on **description** choices: We refer to *Modelling Choices* 1–7 (Pages 66–72). The **analysis** predicates and functions are merely aids. They do not effect descriptions, but descriptions are based on the result of inquiries based on deployment of these predicates and functions. Real decisions are made when effecting a **description** function. So the rôle of these modelling choice paragraphs is to alert the describer to make judicious choices.

3.21.3 Method Principles, Techniques and Tools

Recall that by a method we shall understand a set of **principles** for selecting and applying a set of **techniques** using a set of **tools** in order to construct an artefact.

3.21.3.1 Principles of External Qualities

In this chapter we have illustrated the use of the following principles:

Divide and Conquer: We claim that the divide principle is applied in establishing the ontology: in distinguishing between describables and non-describables, in distinguishing between endurants and perdurants, and in otherwise suggesting the taxonomy as illustrated in Fig. 3.1 on Page 44. We claim that a guiding principle in this “division” has been Kai Sørlander’s Philosophy. And we claim that this “division” has helped and will help “conquer” the complexity of issues as they continue to unfold in the next chapters.

Abstraction: This principle is applied in simply focusing on abstract names for endurant sorts, disregarding any further meaning of these names – meanings that will be “revealed” as we go along in analysing as describing, in the next chapters, first *unique identifiers*, *mereologies* and *attributes*, then the elements of *perdurants*.

Narration & Formalisation: This principle is applied in developing and presenting the domain endurant descriptions which are always, as shown in both the description schemas and in those examples which do present formalisations, in that they also show narratives.

3.21.3.2 Techniques of External Qualities

In this chapter we have illustrated the use of the following techniques:

Model-oriented Specification: Although we say model-oriented, there really are three aspects to our formal specifications: the use of discrete mathematics⁶⁰ – so far logic, sets, Cartesians; the use of RSL’s specification/programming-like constructs: *type definitions*, *function signatures*, etc.; and the use of abstract sorts – as “inspired” from algebraic specifications.

Formal Concept Analysis: This technique, whose mathematical foundation was outlined in Sect. 3.20, involves “top-down” analysis, from most abstract concepts towards less and less abstract concepts, versus “bottom-up” analysis i.e., the “other way around”. We refer to Sect. 3.14.

3.21.3.3 Tools of External Qualities

The main tools are the English language, used in narrative descriptions, the RAISE Specification Language RSL, used in formal descriptions, and the analysis and description prompts – reviewed below – and as used by the domain analyser & describer, but a use that may not necessarily be explicitly recorded, as their “existence” are to mainly serve as *aide-mémoire*.

In this chapter we have introduced a number of external qualities analysis prompts. Let π designate a *phenomena*. The following are some of the external qualities analysis prompts.

- If a phenomenon, ϕ , **is_entity**(ϕ) then it

1 Pg. 43

⁶⁰ – thus accounting for our use of the term ‘model-oriented’

⊗ <code>is_endurant(e)</code> or	2 Pg. 47
⊗ <code>is_perdurant(e)</code> .	3 Pg. 48
• If an entity, e , <code>is_endurant(e)</code> , then it	
⊗ <code>is_discrete(e)</code> or	4 Pg. 48
⊗ <code>is_material(e)</code> .	5 Pg. 49
• If an endurant, e , <code>is_discrete(e)</code> , then it	
⊗ <code>is_physical_part(e)</code> or	6 Pg. 50
⊗ <code>is_structure(e)</code> or	7 Pg. 50
⊗ <code>is_living_species(e)</code> .	8 Pg. 51
• If a discrete endurant, e , <code>is_physical_part(e)</code> then it	
⊗ <code>is_natural_part(e)</code> or	9 Pg. 51
⊗ <code>is_artefact(e)</code> .	10 Pg. 51
We have “lumped” natural and artefactual parts into just parts. So you will not find this characteristic reflected in Fig. 3.1 on Page 44. Still:	
• If a discrete endurant, e , <code>is_physical_part(e)</code> then it	
⊗ <code>is_atomic(e)</code> or	16 Pg. 56
⊗ <code>is_compound(e)</code> or	17 Pg. 56
⊗ <code>is_conjoin(e)</code> .	22 Pg. 59
• If a physical part, e , is <code>is_compound(e)</code> then it	
⊗ <code>is_composite(e)</code> or	18 Pg. 57
⊗ <code>is_set(e)</code> .	19 Pg. 57
• Analysis of endurants into composites enables	
⊗ <code>analyse_composite_parts(e)</code>	1 Pg. 63
And this, finally, enable	
⊗ <code>calculate_composite_parts_sorts(e)</code> , respectively	1 Pg. 66
• If a compound, e , <code>is_set(e)</code> then it	
⊗ <code>is_single_sort_set(e)</code> or	20 Pg. 58
⊗ <code>is_alternative_sorts_set(e)</code> .	21 Pg. 58
• Analysis of endurants into sets enables	
⊗ <code>analyse_single_sort_part_set(e)</code> , respectively	2 Pg. 63
⊗ <code>analyse_alternative_sorts_part_set(e)</code> .	3 Pg. 64
And these, finally, enable	
⊗ <code>calculate_single_sort_parts_sort(e)</code> , respectively	2 Pg. 68
⊗ <code>calculate_alternative_sort_part_sorts(e)</code>	3 Pg. 69
• If a compound, e , <code>is_conjoin(e)</code> then it	
⊗ <code>is_part_materials_conjoin(e)</code> or	23 Pg. 59
⊗ <code>is_material_parts_conjoin(e)</code> or	24 Pg. 60
⊗ <code>is_part_parts_conjoin(e)</code> .	25 Pg. 61
which, respectively enables	
⊗ <code>analyse_part_materials_conjoin(e)</code>	4 Pg. 64
⊗ <code>analyse_material_parts_parts_conjoin(e)</code>	5 Pg. 64
⊗ <code>analyse_part_parts_conjoin(e)</code>	6 Pg. 65
and these, finally enables	
⊗ <code>calculate_part_materials_sorts(e)</code> ,	4 Pg. 70
⊗ <code>calculate_material_parts_parts_sorts(e)</code> ,	5 Pg. 71
⊗ <code>calculate_part_parts_sorts(e)</code> or	6 Pg. 72
• If a discrete endurant, e , <code>is_living_species(e)</code> then it	
⊗ <code>is_plant(e)</code> or	13 Pg. 54
⊗ <code>is_animal(e)</code> .	14 Pg. 54
• Some animals satisfy	
⊗ <code>is_human(e)</code> .	15 Pg. 54

3.21.4 How Much or How Little Do We Analyse and Describe ?

How many of a domain's external qualities do we analyse and describe ? There are two kinds of answers to this question. **An Engineering Answer:** This kind of answer may be relevant for the case of a full scale software development – where a domain engineering phase is followed by a requirements engineering phase which is then followed by a software design phase. We may then try to capture just what we think we need for that subsequent requirements capture, its analysis and prescription. Or, to “guard against unforeseen eventualities”, a little more ! Reading engineering domain analysis & description case studies helps. So do experience ! **A Scientific Answer:** Or we try to capture “all” ! Now that is clearly not possible, at least not “in one fell swoop”⁶¹ ! So how do we go about it, as domain scientists cum engineers ? We do it “domain-area-by-domain-area”. Sort of, for example like this: First what is thought of as a core domain is analysed & described. Then some additional aspects, i.e., entities, are included in a next analysis & description – leaving out, typically, some initially analysed & described entities. and so on. Just like, for example, physicists, analyse & describe natural world phenomena.

We shall have more to say about what to include and what to exclude in the next chapters.

3.22 Bibliographical Notes

We refer to [70, Sect. 5.3] for a thorough, 2016–2017, five page review of types in formal specification and programming languages.

3.23 Exercise Problems

We embark of a series of exercise problems, cf. Sects. 4.12 on Page 121, 6.14 on Page 161, 7.11 on Page 195 and 8.9 on Page 243.

3.23.1 Research Problems

Exercise 1 A Research Challenge. Reformulate Composites as Conjoins: In this chapter we have treated artefactual composites apart from conjoins. But, really, are these artefacts not also conjoins ? Reformulate the appropriate text to reflect this “change of ontology” !

Exercise 2 A Research Challenge. Symmetry of Part-Parts Conjoins: Sets versus Composites: In this chapter we have suggested **Material-Parts**, **Part-Materials** and **Part-Parts** conjoins. The ‘plural’ **s** in material-parts means that we allow a set, more precisely, an indefinite number of parts; the plural **s** in part-materials means that we expect either a single or a Cartesian of a definite number of materials, expressed as a Cartesian; and the ‘plural’ **s** in part-parts means that we allow sets of parts.

[Q1] Consider a **Part-Cartesian-Parts** conjoin, almost like the **Part-Parts** conjoin but with a definite number of parts of possibly distinct sorts. How is that possibility different from the suggestion of research problem 1 above ?

[Q2] Could one contemplate a variant **Part-Materials** variant where the **s** indicates that we now expect an indefinite number of materials ?

[Q3] Discuss those possibilities, [a–b], and reformulate ontology accordingly.

3.23.2 A Student Exercise

Exercise 3 An MSc Student Exercise. Document System Parts: A document system consists of **persons** and **documents**. To anticipate exercise 29 on Page 163 we characterise, so that the reader can get at what we mean by documents, these as subject to the following operations:

⁶¹ To do something in one fell swoop is to do it suddenly or in a single, swift action.

[a] **creation:** before there might have been a number of unrelated documents – now there is a [new] document, with some *text* created and written by a person; [b] **editing:** before there was a document – now there is a document with text and editing being done by a person; [c] **reading:** before there was a document – now there is “the same” document, only now it has been read by a person; [d] **copying:** before there was a document – now there is “the same” document, only now it has been copied by a person – and there is a *copy* (of the former, still existing, separate document) identifying that (former) document and with all the “contents” of the “original” of which it is a copy – the ‘copy’ creator is also identified; [e] **shredding:** before there was a document – now that document no longer “exists” – but otherwise all other documents remain unchanged !

[Q1] You are to narrate and formalise the parts of the document system.

[Q2] Are shredded documents to be a part of the system ?

This exercise is continued in Exercises 16 on Page 121, 17 on Page 121, 18 on Page 122 and 29 on Page 163.

3.23.3 Term Projects

In a textbook as this we cannot primarily rely on simple 10 line problems. It should be clear to the reader: lecturer and student, that exercise problems must be more-or-less comprehensive; they must encompass a reasonably well-delineated domain. We now list a number of such potential problem domains⁶²:

- 1 the consumer, retailer, wholesaler, etc., merchandise market;
- 2 financial service industry;
- 3 container line industry – with the (possibly overlapping) subdomain:
 - a container terminal ports,
 - b container stowage, and
 - c container logistics;
- 4 railways systems;
- 5 waste disposal systems,

We suggest that the lecturer, who is using this primer for a dedicated series of lectures on domain analysis & description,

- “divide” the class students into one or more groups of preferably 4–6 students each.
- that each group be assigned a distinct domain.

⁶² We refer to a number of experimental domain analysis & description reports:

- 2019: *Container Terminal Ports*, ECNU, Shanghai, China URL: imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/2018/yangshan/-maersk-pa.pdf
- 2018: *Documents*, TongJi Univ., Shanghai, China URL: imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/2017/docs/docs.pdf
- 2017: *Urban Planning*, TongJi Univ., Shanghai, China URL: imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/2017/up/urban-planning.pdf
- 2017: *Swarms of Drones*, Inst. of Softw., Chinese Acad. of Sci., Peking, China URL: imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/2017/swarms/swarm-paper.pdf
- 2013: *Road Transport*, Techn. Univ. of Denmark URL: imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/road-p.pdf
- 2012: *Credit Cards*, Univ. of Uppsala, Sweden URL: imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/2016/credit/accs.pdf
- 2012: *Weather Information*, Univ. of Bergen, Norway URL: imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/2016/wis/wis-p.pdf
- 2010: *Web-based Transaction Processing*, Techn. Univ. of Vienna, Austria URL: imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/-wfdftp.pdf
- 2010: *The Tokyo Stock Exchange*, Tokyo Univ., Japan URL: imm.dtu.dk/~db/todai/tse-1.pdf, URL: imm.dtu.dk/~db/todai/tse-2.pdf
- 2009: *Pipelines*, Techn. Univ. of Graz, Austria URL: imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/pipe-p.pdf
- 2007: *A Container Line Industry Domain*, Techn. Univ. of Denmark URL: imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/container-paper.pdf
- 2002: *The Market*, Techn. Univ. of Denmark URL: imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/themarket.pdf
- 1995–2004: *Railways*, Techn. Univ. of Denmark - a compendium URL: imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/train-book.pdf

- and that, from week-to-week they discuss and write down their analysis and description (narratives and formalisations) of that domain, in phases corresponding to the ‘Exercise Problem’ Sects. 3.23.3 (the next section), and forthcoming sections: 4.12.3, 6.14.3, 7.11.2 and 8.9.2.
- For teachers and individual students the publisher provides access to “large scale” examples covering several of the exercise domains that we have listed.

We shall briefly illustrate some external quality aspects of these domains,

- in a first week of study, completely unstructured – since , you have not yet learned the full contents of this chapter, “rambling on”; to be followed,
- in a second week of study, once you have learned the “stuff” of this chapter, more structured, and according to the concepts of this chapter.

Exercise 4 An MSc Student Exercise. The Consumer Market, External Qualities: You are to analyse and describe the external qualities of ‘the market’ domain of artefactual entities including consumers, retailers, wholesalers, possibly importers/exporters, and producers of merchandise aimed at ordinary consumers.

Exercise 5 An MSc Student Exercise. Financial Service Industry, External Qualities: You are to analyse and describe the external qualities of a financial service industry domain of artefactual entities including banks, insurance companies, mortgage institutions, brokers and stock exchanges. Of what discrete endurants consists the banks, insurance companies, mortgage institutions, brokers and stock exchanges ?

Exercise 6 An MSc Student Exercise. Container Line Industry, External Qualities: You are to analyse and describe the external qualities of a container line industry domain of artefactual entities including containers, container vessels, container terminal ports, trucks (transporting containers between customers and terminal ports), and the container line management. Of what discrete endurants consists these and related discrete endurants ?

Exercise 7 An MSc Student Exercise. Railway Systems, External Qualities: You are to analyse and describe the external qualities of a railway domain of artefactual entities including trains and railway nets. Of what discrete endurants consists the trains, and of what discrete endurants consists the railway nets ?

Exercise 8 A PhD Student Problem. Part-Material Conjoins: Canals, External Qualities: We refer to Example 31 on Page 59. You are to analyse and describe the external qualities of a canal system of artefactual entities including locks, straight (if curved) stretches of canals, and canal forks and joins (diverting, respectively collecting) water flows.

Exercise 9 A PhD Student Problem. Part-Materials Conjoins: Rum Production, External Qualities: We refer to Example 15 on Page 50. You are to analyse and describe the external qualities of a rum production system of artefactual entities including sugar cane fields, transport links from fields to sugar cane chopping facilities, such facilities, from these to the rum distillery, rum distilleries with their pot- or column stills and other production means, ware houses, an so forth.

Exercise 10 A PhD Student Problem. Part-Materials Conjoins: Waste Management, External Qualities: We refer to Example 32 on Page 60. You are to analyse and describe a waste management systems domain of artefactual entities, say focusing on just the (a) waste conveyors (whether ‘belts’ or ‘pipe’) and (b) waste processors: (a) conveyor belts or pipes, their “merging” and “diversion” (joins and forks), their initial sources and ultimate sinks, whether pumps (as for pipe) or no such things (as for mechanically moving belts that either move goods upwards, horizontally, or downwards, etc.); (b) industrial,

sewage, agricultural product, leachate⁶³, or other, biological, etc., treatment. Note that conveyor nets are directional and have no cycles.

These exercise problems are continued in Sects. 4.12.3 on Page 122, 6.14.3 on Page 163, 7.11.2 on Page 195 and 8.9.2 on Page 243.

⁶³ A leachate is any liquid that, in the course of passing through matter, extracts soluble or suspended solids, or any other component of the material through which it has passed.

DOMAINS – Towards a Statics¹ Ontology

Internal Qualities

*In this chapter we introduce the concept of internal qualities of endurants, and cover the analysis and description of **unique identifiers**, **mereologies** and **attributes** of endurants. There is yet another, interrelating internal quality: **intentionality**, “something” that expresses intention, design idea, purpose of artefacts – well, some would say, also natural endurants.*

External qualities of endurants of a manifest domain are, in a simplifying sense, those we can see and touch. They so to speak, take form.

Internal qualities of endurants of a manifest domain are, in a less simplifying sense, those which we may not be able to see or “feel” when touching an endurant, but they can, as we now ‘mandate’ them, be reasoned about, as for **unique identifiers** and **mereologies**, or be measured by some **physical/chemical** means, or be “spoken of” by **intentional deduction**, and be reasoned about, as we do when we **attribute** properties to endurants.

As it turns out², to analyse and describe mereology we need first analyse and describe unique identifiers; and to analyse and describe attributes we need first analyse and describe mereologies. Hence:

Method Step 8 Sequential Analysis & Description of Internal Qualities:

We advice that the *domain analyser & describer* first analyse & describe unique identification of all endurant sorts; then analyse & describe mereologies of all endurant sorts; finally analyse & describe attributes of all endurant sorts.

In this monograph we shall not suggest the modelling of unique identifiers and mereology of materials. We shall comment on that in appropriate sections.

4.1 Overview of this Chapter

- Section 4.2 covers the crucial notion of unique identification of endurants;
- Sect. 4.3 the likewise important notion of mereology – relations between parts;
- Sect. 4.4 covers the notion of attributes, that, which in a sense, gives “flesh & blood” to endurants; and
- Sect. 4.5 covers the novel notion, in computing, that of “intentional pull”.
- Finally Sect. 4.8 follows up on the *domain discovery process* of Sect. 3.19.

Other sections provide elucidation or summary observations.

4.2 Unique Identifiers

The concept of parts having unique identifiability, that is, that two parts, if they are the same, have the same unique identifier, and if they are not the same, then they have distinct identifiers, that concept is fundamental to our being able to analyse and describe internal qualities of endurants. So we are left with the issue of “sameness”!

¹ The ‘Statics’ refer back to ‘DOMAINS’ – not to ‘Ontology’!

² You, the first time reader cannot know this, i.e., the “turns out”. Once we have developed and presented the material of this chapter, then you can see it; clearly!

4.2.1 On Uniqueness of Endurants

We therefore introduce the notion of unique identification of part endurants. We assume (i) that all part endurants, e , of any domain E , have *unique identifiers*, (ii) that *unique identifiers* (of part endurants $e:E$) are *abstract values* (of the *unique identifier* sort UI of part endurants $e:E$), (iii) such that distinct part endurant sorts, E_i and E_j , have distinctly named *unique identifier* sorts, say UI_i and UI_j ³, and (iv) that all $ui_i:UI_i$ and $ui_j:UI_j$ are distinct.

Representation of Unique Identifiers: Unique identifiers are abstractions. When we endow two endurants (say of the same sort) distinct unique identifiers then we are simply saying that these two endurants are distinct. We are not assuming anything about how these identifiers otherwise come about.

Identifiability of Endurants: From a philosophical point of view, and with basis in Kai Sørlander’s Philosophy, cf. Paragraph **Identity, Difference and Relations** (Page 14), one can rationally argue that there are many endurants, and that they are unique, and hence uniquely identifiable. From an empirical point of view, and since one may eventually have a software development in mind, we may wonder how unique identifiability can be accommodated.

Unique identifiability for discrete endurants even though they may be mobile, is straightforward: one can think of many ways of ascribing a unique identifier to any part; discrete endurants do not “morph”⁴. Hence one can think of many such unique identification schemas.

Unique identifiability for materials may seem a bit more tricky. For this monograph we shall not suggest to endow materials with unique identification. We have simply not experimented with such part-materials and material-parts domains – not enough – to suggest so.

4.2.2 Uniqueness Modelling Tools

The analysis method offers an observer function uid_E which when applied to part endurants, e , yields the unique identifier, $ui:UI$, of e .

Domain Description Prompt 7 **describe_unique_identifier:** We can therefore apply the **domain description prompt:**

- **describe_unique_identifier**

to endurants $e:E$ resulting in the analyser writing down the *unique identifier type and observer* domain description text according to the following schema:

8. describe_unique_identifier Observer

“Narration:

- [s] ... narrative text on unique identifier sort UI ...
- [u] ... narrative text on unique identifier observer uid_E ...
- [a] ... axiom on uniqueness of unique identifiers ...

Formalisation:

type

- [s] UI

value

- [u] $uid_E: E \rightarrow UI$ ♥

$is_part(e)$ is a prerequisite for $describe_unique_identifier(e)$.

The unique identifier type name, UI above, chosen, of course, by the *domain analyser cum describer*, usually properly embodies the type name, E , of the endurant being analysed and mereology-described. Thus a part of type-name E might be given the mereology type name EI . Generally we shall refer to these names by UI .

³ This restriction is not necessary, but, for the time, we can assume that it is.

⁴ – from a state of being solid, but in various “shapes”, via states of melting, to states of vapour

Analysis Function Prompt 11 `type_name, type_of, is_:`

Given *description schema 7* we have, so-to-speak, “in-reverse” that

$$\forall e:E \cdot \text{uid}_E(e)=ui \Rightarrow \text{type_of}(ui)=UI \wedge \text{type_name}(ui)=\text{“UI”} \wedge \text{is_UI}(ui)$$

Unique Identifiers**Example 40**

133 We assign unique identifiers to all parts.	b All links have distinct identifiers.
134 By a road identifier we shall mean a link or a hub identifier.	c All bus companies have distinct identifiers.
135 By a vehicle identifier we shall mean a bus or an automobile identifier.	d All buses of all bus companies have distinct identifiers.
136 Unique identifiers uniquely identify all parts.	e All automobiles have distinct identifiers.
a All hubs have distinct [unique] identifiers.	f All parts have distinct identifiers.
type	136a uid_H: H → H_UI
133 H_UI, L_UI, BC_UI, B_UI, A_UI	136b uid_L: H → L_UI
134 R_UI = H_UI L_UI	136c uid_BC: H → BC_UI
135 V_UI = B_UI A_UI	136d uid_B: H → B_UI
value	136e uid_A: H → A_UI

4.2.3 All Unique Identifiers of a Domain

Given a universe of discourse we can calculate the set of the unique identifiers of all its parts.

value

```
calculate_all_unique_identifiers: UoD → UI-set
calculate_all_unique_identifiers(uod) ≡
  let parts = calc_parts({uod})({}) in
  { uid_E(e) | e:E • e ∈ parts } end
```

Road Transport: Unique Identifier Auxiliary Functions**Example 41 Extract Parts from Their Unique Identifiers:**

137 From the unique identifier of a part we can retrieve, \wp , the part having that identifier.

type

137 P = H | L | BC | B | A

value

```
137  $\wp$ : H_UI → H | L_UI → L | BC_UI → BC | B_UI → B | A_UI → A
137  $\wp(ui) \equiv$  let p:(H|L|BC|B|A)•p ∈ ps ∧ uid_P(p)=ui in p end
```

4.2.4 Unique Identifier Constants

Given a domain which do not “grow” or “shrink” in its number of observable endurants we can speak of the constancy of their sets of unique identifiers.

```

value
  all_uniq_ids: Unit → Unit
  all_uniq_ids() ≡
    let ps = calc_parts(uod) in
    { uid_E(p) | p ∈ ps ∧ type_name(p) = "E" } end

```

Unique Identifier Constants

Example 42 We can calculate:

138 the set, h_{uis} , of unique hub identifiers;
 139 the set, l_{uis} , of unique link identifiers;
 140 the map, hl_{uim} , from unique hub identifiers to the set of unique link identifiers of the links connected to the zero, one or more identified hubs,
 141 the map, lh_{uim} , from unique link identifiers to the set of unique hub identifiers of the two hubs connected to the identified link;
 142 the set, r_{uis} , of all unique hub and link, i.e., road identifiers;
 143 the set, bc_{uis} , of unique bus company identifiers;
 144 the set, b_{uis} , of unique bus identifiers;
 145 the set, a_{uis} , of unique private automobile identifiers;
 146 the set, v_{uis} , of unique bus and automobile, i.e., vehicle identifiers;
 147 the map, bc_{uim} , from unique bus company identifiers to the set of its unique bus identifiers; and
 148 the (bijective) map, bbc_{uim} , from unique bus identifiers to their unique bus company identifiers.

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value
138  $h_{uis}:H\_UI\_set \equiv \{uid\_H(h) | h:H \cdot h \in hs\}$ 
139  $l_{uis}:L\_UI\_set \equiv \{uid\_L(l) | l:L \cdot l \in ls\}$ 
142  $r_{uis}:R\_UI\_set \equiv h_{uis} \cup l_{uis}$ 
140  $hl_{uim}:(H\_UI \rightarrow L\_UI\_set) \equiv$ 
140    $[h\_ui \mapsto luis | h\_ui:H\_UI, luis:L\_UI\_set \cdot h\_ui \in h_{uis} \wedge (\_, luis, \_) = mereo\_H(\eta(h\_ui))] \text{ [cf. Item 167]}$ 
141  $lh_{uim}:(L\_UI \rightarrow H\_UI\_set) \equiv$ 
141    $[l\_ui \mapsto huis | l\_ui:L\_UI, huis:H\_UI\_set \cdot l\_ui \in l_{uis} \wedge (\_, huis, \_) = mereo\_L(\eta(l\_ui))] \text{ [cf. Item 168]}$ 
143  $bc_{uis}:BC\_UI\_set \equiv \{uid\_BC(bc) | bc:BC \cdot bc \in bcs\}$ 
144  $b_{uis}:B\_UI\_set \equiv \cup \{uid\_B(b) | b:B \cdot b \in bs\}$ 
145  $a_{uis}:A\_UI\_set \equiv \{uid\_A(a) | a:A \cdot a \in as\}$ 
146  $v_{uis}:V\_UI\_set \equiv b_{uis} \cup a_{uis}$ 
147  $bc_{uim}:(BC\_UI \rightarrow B\_UI\_set) \equiv$ 
147    $[bc\_ui \mapsto buis | bc\_ui:BC\_UI, bc:BC \cdot bc \in bcs \wedge bc\_ui = uid\_BC(bc) \wedge (\_, \_, buis) = mereo\_BC(bc)]$ 
148  $bbc_{uim}:(B\_UI \rightarrow BC\_UI) \equiv$ 
148    $[b\_ui \mapsto bc\_ui | b\_ui:B\_UI, bc\_ui:BC\_UI \cdot bc\_ui = dom\ bc_{uim} \wedge b\_ui \in bc_{uim}(bc\_ui)]$ 

```

4.2.5 A Domain Law: Uniqueness of Endurant Identifiers

We postulate that the unique identifier observer functions are about the uniqueness of the postulated enduring identifiers, but how is that guaranteed? We know, as “an indisputable law of domains”, that they are distinct, but our formulas do not guarantee that! So we must formalise their uniqueness.

All Parts of a Domain have Unique Identifiers

A Domain Law 1 All Parts of a Domain have Unique Identifiers:

149 All parts of a described domain have unique identifiers.

axiom

149 **card** calc_parts(uod) = **card** calculate_all_unique_identifiers(uod)

Uniqueness of Road Net Identifiers

Example 43 We must express the following axioms:

- | | |
|---|--|
| 150 All hub identifiers are distinct. | 153 All bus identifiers are distinct. |
| 151 All link identifiers are distinct. | 154 All private automobile identifiers are distinct. |
| 152 All bus company identifiers are distinct. | 155 All part identifiers are distinct. |

axiom

- 150 **card** hs = **card** $h_{ui}s$
 151 **card** ls = **card** $l_{ui}s$
 152 **card** bcs = **card** $bc_{ui}s$
 153 **card** bs = **card** $b_{ui}s$
 154 **card** as = **card** $a_{ui}s$
 155 **card** $\{h_{ui}s \cup l_{ui}s \cup bc_{ui}s \cup b_{ui}s \cup a_{ui}s\}$
 155 = **card** $h_{ui}s$ + **card** $l_{ui}s$ + **card** $bc_{ui}s$ + **card** $b_{ui}s$ + **card** $a_{ui}s$ ■

We ascribe, in principle, unique identifiers to all endurants whether natural or artefactual. We find, from our many experiments, cf. the *Universes of Discourse* example, Page 40, that we really focus on those domain entities which are artefactual endurants and their behavioural “counterparts”.

Pipeline Unique Identifiers

Example 44 We refer to Appendix Sect. A.2.

Rail Net Unique Identifiers

Example 45

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|---|--|
| 156 With every rail net unit we associate a unique identifier. | 159 We let $tris$ denote the set of all train identifiers. |
| 157 That is, no two rail net units have the same unique identifier. | 160 No two distinct trains have the same unique identifier. |
| 158 Trains have unique identifiers. | 161 Train identifiers are distinct from rail net unit identifiers. |

type

156. UI

value

156. uid_NU: NU \rightarrow UI

axiom

157. $\forall ui_i, ui_j: UI \cdot$

157. $ui_i = ui_j \equiv uid_NU(ui_i) = uid_NU(ui_j)$

4.3 Mereology

We refer to introductory section Sect. 2.8.2 on mereology as a philosophical–logic subject and Appendix Sect. B for closing material on mereology. We shall not endow materials with mereologies. We shall comment on this in Sect. 4.3.5 on Page 93.

Definition: 63 Mereology: Mereology is the study and knowledge of parts and part relations ■

Mereology, as a logical/philosophical discipline, can perhaps best be attributed to the Polish mathematician/logician Stanisław Leśniewski [115, 61].

4.3.1 Endurant Relations

Which are the relations that can be relevant for “endurant-hood”? There are basically two relations: (i) physical ones, and (ii) conceptual ones.

(i) Physically two or more endurants may be topologically either adjacent to one another, like rails of a line, or within an endurant, like links and hubs of a road net, or an atomic part is conjoined to one or more materials, or a material is conjoined to one or more parts. The latter two could also be considered conceptual “adjacencies”.

(ii) Conceptually some parts, like automobiles, “belong” to an embedding endurant, like to an automobile club, or are registered in the local department of vehicles, or are ‘intended’ to drive on roads

4.3.2 Mereology Modelling Tools

When the domain analyser decides that some endurants are related in a specifically enunciated mereology, the analyser has to decide on suitable *mereology types* and *mereology observers* (i.e., endurant relations).

- 162 We may, to illustration, define a **mereology type** of an endurant $e:E$ as a triplet type expression over set of unique [endurant] identifiers.
- 163 There is the identification of all those endurant sorts $E_{i_1}, E_{i_2}, \dots, E_{i_m}$ where at least one of whose properties “is_of_interest” to parts $e:E$.
- 164 There is the identification of all those sorts $E_{io_1}, E_{io_2}, \dots, E_{io_n}$ where at least one of whose properties “is_of_interest” to endurants $e:E$ and vice-versa.
- 165 There is the identification of all those endurant sorts $E_{o_1}, E_{o_2}, \dots, E_{o_o}$ for whom properties of $e:E$ “is_of_interest” to endurants of sorts $E_{o_1}, E_{o_2}, \dots, E_{o_o}$.
- 166 The mereology triplet sets of unique identifiers are disjoint and are all unique identifiers of the universe of discourse.

The triplet mereology is just a suggestion. As it is formulated here we mean the three ‘sets’ to be disjoint. Other forms of expressing a mereology should be considered for the particular domain and for the particular endurants of that domain. We leave out further characterisation of the seemingly vague notion “is_of_interest”.

type

163 $iEI = iEI1 \mid iEI2 \mid \dots \mid iEI_m$

164 $ioEI = ioEI1 \mid ioEI2 \mid \dots \mid ioEI_n$

165 $oEI = oEI1 \mid oEI2 \mid \dots \mid oEI_o$

162 $MT = iEI\text{-set} \times ioEI\text{-set} \times oEI\text{-set}$

axiom

166 $\forall (iset, ioiset, oset): MT \bullet$

166 $\text{card } iset + \text{card } ioiset + \text{card } oset = \text{card } \cup\{iset, ioiset, oset\}$

166 $\cup\{iset, ioiset, oset\} \subseteq \text{calc_all_unique_identifiers}(uod)$

Domain Description Prompt 8 `describe_mereology(e)`: If `has_mereology(p)` holds for parts p of type P , then the analyser can apply the *domain description prompt*:

- `describe_mereology`

to parts of that type and write down the *mereology types and observer* domain description text according to the following schema:

9. `describe_mereology(e)` Observer

“Narration:

- [t] ... narrative text on mereology type ...
- [m] ... narrative text on mereology observer ...
- [a] ... narrative text on mereology type constraints ...

Formalisation:

type

- [t] $MT = \mathcal{M}(UI_i, UI_j, \dots, UI_k)$

value

- [m] $\text{mereo_P}: P \rightarrow MT$

axiom [Well-formedness of Domain Mereologies]

- [a] $\mathcal{A}: \mathcal{A}(MT)$ ”

The mereology type name, MT , chosen of course, by the *domain analyser cum describer*, usually properly embodies the type name, E , of the endurant being analysed and mereology-described. The mereology type expression $\mathcal{M}(UI_i, UI_j, \dots, UI_k)$ is a type expression over unique identifiers. Thus a part of type-name P might be given the mereology type name MP . $\mathcal{A}(MT)$ is a predicate over possibly all unique identifier types of the domain description. To write down the concrete type definition for MT requires a bit of analysis and thinking ■

Modelling Choice 8 *Mereology*: As for endurant descriptions the analyser cum describer chooses for some model of a domain, one mereology, for another model of supposedly “the same” domain another mereology.

Mereology of a Road Net

Example 46

167 The mereology of hubs is a pair: (i) the set of all bus and automobile identifiers⁵, and (ii) the set of unique identifiers of the links that it is connected to and the set of all unique identifiers of all vehicle (buses and private automobiles).⁶.

168 The mereology of links is a pair: (i) the set of all bus and automobile identifiers, and (ii) the set of the two distinct hubs they are connected to.

169 The mereology of a bus company is a set the unique identifiers of the buses operated by that company.

170 The mereology of a bus is a pair: (i) the set of the one single unique identifier of the bus company it is operating for, and (ii) the unique identifiers of all links and hubs⁷.

171 The mereology of an automobile is the set of the unique identifiers of all links and hubs⁸.

type

167 $H_Mer = V_UI_set \times L_UI_set$

168 $L_Mer = V_UI_set \times H_UI_set$

169 $BC_Mer = B_UI_set$

170 $B_Mer = BC_UI \times R_UI_set$

171 $A_Mer = R_UI_set$

value

167 $\text{mereo_H}: H \rightarrow H_Mer$

168 $\text{mereo_L}: L \rightarrow L_Mer$

169 $\text{mereo_BC}: BC \rightarrow BC_Mer$

170 $\text{mereo_B}: B \rightarrow B_Mer$

171 $\text{mereo_A}: A \rightarrow A_Mer$

4.3.2.1 Invariance of Mereologies

For mereologies one can usually express some invariants. Such invariants express “*law-like properties*”, facts which are indisputable. We refer to Sect. 4.3.4 on the next page.

Invariance of Road Nets

Example 47 The observed mereologies must express identifiers of the state of such for road nets:

axiom

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167  $\forall (vuis, luis):H\_Mer \cdot luis \subseteq l_{uis} \wedge vuis = v_{uis}$ 
168  $\forall (vuis, huis):L\_Mer \cdot vuis = v_{uis} \wedge huis \subseteq h_{uis} \wedge cardhuis = 2$ 
169  $\forall buis:H\_Mer \cdot buis = b_{uis}$ 
170  $\forall (bc\_ui, ruis):H\_Mer \cdot bc\_ui \in bc_{uis} \wedge ruis = r_{uis}$ 
171  $\forall ruis:A\_Mer \cdot ruis = r_{uis}$ 

```

172 For all hubs, h , and links, l , in the same road net,
 173 if the hub h connects to link l then link l connects to hub h .

axiom

```

172  $\forall h:H, l:L \cdot h \in hs \wedge l \in ls \Rightarrow$ 
172   let  $(\_, luis) = mereo\_H(h), (\_, huis) = mereo\_L(l)$ 
173   in  $uid\_L(l) \in luis \equiv uid\_H(h) \in huis$  end

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174 For all links, l , and hubs, h_a, h_b , in the same road net,
 175 if the l connects to hubs h_a and h_b , then h_a and h_b both connects to link l .

axiom

```

174  $\forall h\_a, h\_b:H, l:L \cdot \{h\_a, h\_b\} \subseteq hs \wedge l \in ls \Rightarrow$ 
174   let  $(\_, luis) = mereo\_H(h), (\_, huis) = mereo\_L(l)$ 
175   in  $uid\_L(l) \in luis \equiv uid\_H(h) \in huis$  end

```

4.3.2.2 Deductions made from Mereologies

Once we have settled basic properties of the mereologies of a domain we can, like for unique identifiers, cf. Example 40 on Page 87, “play around” with that concept: ‘the mereology of a domain’.

Possible Consequences of a Road Net Mereology

Example 48

176 are there [isolated] units from which one can not “reach” other units ?
 177 does the net consist of two or more “disjoint” nets ?
 178 et cetera.

We leave it to the reader to narrate and formalise the above properly.

4.3.3 Formulation of Mereologies

The **observe_mereology** domain descriptor, Page 91, may give the impression that the mereo type MT can be described “at the point of issue” of the **observe_mereology** prompt. Since the MT type expression may, in general, depend on any part sort the mereo type MT can, for some domains, “first” be described when all part sorts have had their unique identifiers defined.

4.3.4 Fixed and Varying Mereologies

The mereology of parts is not necessarily fixed.

Definition: 64 Fixed Mereology: By a **fixed mereology** we shall understand a mereology of a part which remains fixed over time.

Definition: 65 Varying Mereology: By a **varying mereology** we shall understand a mereology of a part which may vary over time.

Fixed and Varying Mereology

Example 49 Let us consider a road net, cf. Examples 35 on Page 66, ?? on Page ??, 38 on Page 72 Example 46 on Page 91 and Example 47 on Page 91. If hubs and links never change “affiliation”, that is: hubs are in fixed relation to zero one or more links, and links are in a fixed relation to exactly two hubs then the mereology of Example 46 on Page 91 is a *fixed mereology*. If, on the other hand hubs may be inserted into or removed from the net, and/or links may be removed from or inserted between any two existing hubs, then the mereology of Example 46 on Page 91 is a *varying mereology*.

4.3.5 No Materials Mereology

We comment on our decision, for this monograph, to not endow materials with mereologies. A first reason is that we “restrict” the concept of mereology to part endurants, that is, to endurants with “more-or-less” *fixed extents*. Materials can be said to normally not have fixed extents, that is, they can “morph” from small, fixed into spatially extended forms. For domains of part-materials conjoins this is particularly true. The materials in such domains flow through and between parts. Some parts, at some times, embodying large, at other times small amounts of material. Some proper, but partial amount of material flowing from one part to a next. Et cetera. It is for the same reason that we do not endow materials with identity. So, for this monograph we decide to not suggest the modelling of materials mereologies.

4.3.6 Some Modelling Observations

It is, in principle, possible to find examples of mereologies of natural parts: rivers: their confluence, lakes and oceans; and geography: mountain ranges, flat lands, etc. But in our experimental case studies, cf. Example on Page 40, we have found no really interesting such cases. All our experimental case studies appears to focus on the mereology of artefacts. And, finally, in modelling humans, we find that their mereology encompass all other humans and all artefacts ! Humans cannot be tamed to refrain from interacting with everyone and everything.

Some domain models may emphasize *physical mereologies* based on spatial relations, others may emphasize *conceptual mereologies* based on logical “connections”.

Rail Net Mereology

Example 50 We refer to Example 36 on Page 68.

- 179 A linear rail unit is connected to exactly two distinct other rail net units of any given rail net.
- 180 A point unit is connected to exactly three distinct other rail net units of any given rail net.
- 181 A rigid crossing unit is connected to exactly four distinct other rail net units of any given rail net.
- 182 A single and a double slip unit is connected to exactly four distinct other rail net units of any given rail net.
- 183 A terminal unit is connected to exactly one distinct other rail net unit of any given rail net.
- 184 So we model the mereology of a railway net unit as a pair of sets of rail net unit unique identifiers distinct from that of the rail net unit.

value

184. mereo_NU: NU \rightarrow (UI-set \times UI-set)

axiom

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184.  $\forall \text{nu:NU} \cdot$ 
184.   let (uis_i,uis_o)=mereo_NU(nu) in
184.   case (card uis_i,card uis_o) =
179.     (is_LU(nu)  $\rightarrow$  (1,1),
180.     is_PU(nu)  $\rightarrow$  (1,2)  $\vee$  (2,1),
181.     is_RU(nu)  $\rightarrow$  (2,2),
182.     is_SU(nu)  $\rightarrow$  (2,2), is_DU(nu)  $\rightarrow$  (2,2),
183.     is_TU(nu)  $\rightarrow$  (1,0)  $\vee$  (0,1),
184.      $\_ \rightarrow$  chaos) end
184.    $\wedge \text{uis\_i} \cap \text{uis\_o} = \{\}$ 
184.    $\wedge \text{uid\_NU}(\text{nu}) \notin (\text{uis\_i} \cup \text{uis\_o})$ 
184.   end

```

Figure 4.1 illustrates the mereology of four rail units.

<p>Linear</p>	<p>Point</p>	<p>Rigid Crossing</p>	<p>Double Slip</p>
$(\{ua\}, \{ux\})$ $(\{ux\}, \{ua\})$	$(\{ua\}, \{ux, uy\})$ $(\{ux, uy\}, \{ua\})$	$(\{ua, ub\}, \{ux, uy\})$ $(\{ux, uy\}, \{ua, ub\})$	$(\{ua, ub\}, \{ux, uy\})$ $(\{ux, uy\}, \{ua, ub\})$

Fig. 4.1. Four Symmetric Rail Unit Mereologies

4.3.7 Conjoin Mereologies

Conjoins, their “roots” and “siblings”, enjoy some special mereology relations.⁹

Let us first consider **the pragmatics of conjoins**, e . Part-materials conjoins, e , are “carriers” or “holders” of materials. The carrier is p , that is, $\text{analyse_conjoin_part}(e)$. The carried or held materials are (m_1, m_2, \dots, m_m) , that is, $\text{analyse_conjoin_materials}(e)$. Usually we shall only associate more than one material with the so-called *treatment* conjoin. See below. The carrier or holder, p , somehow provides a “container” for each m_i . We shall, without loss of generality, restrict **supply**, **pipe**, **valve**, **pump** and **dispose** conjoins, see below, to embody just one material. Conjoins either serve to transport or to process¹⁰ materials. Transport is achieved by **moving** material between topologically connected conjoins. Processing is achieved by **treating** one or more materials, of the same conjoin, to interact by being *operated* upon. Conjoins that participate in the transport and treatment of materials, we conclude, typically form directed, acyclic nets. We shall refer to such nets as ‘*conjoin nets*’.

Further **pragmatics** are those of the interconnection of conjoins as expressed in their mereologies. First, to transport, they must form, usually directed, acyclic, nets. These nets are sequences of conjoins acting as **pipes**, “interspersed” by conjoins serving to **fork** (divert), from one, a fork conjoin, flow, into two, usually pipe, conjoins, or to **join** (merge) transport from two (or more), usually pipe flow, into one, the join flow, or to **treat**, within a single conjoin, the ‘treatment’ conjoin, one or more materials into one or more new and/or replacement materials. By a **flow net** we shall understand a collection of conjoins formed as an acyclic, directed graph. Figure 4.2 on the next page abstracts a possible **conjoin flow net**.

⁹ We remind the reader of the ‘pragmatics’ paragraph of Sect. 3.13.3 on Page 58.

¹⁰ – the **supply**, **pipe**, **valve**, **pump** and **dispose** conjoins transport are restricted to carry just one material; the **treatment** conjoin usually process, hence contain, more than one material.

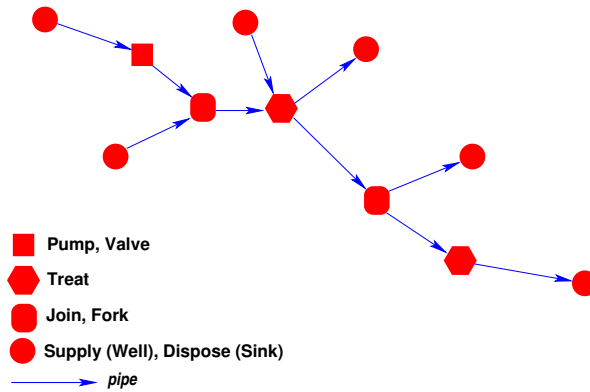


Fig. 4.2. An Abstracted Directed, Acyclic Flow Net of Conjoins

The abstracted flow net shown in Fig. 4.2 on the facing page is at the basis in domain models for waste management, industrial production supply, production and demand, (water oil gas, etc.) pipe lines, et cetera.

For directed, acyclic nets of material transport and treatment of units of connected conjoins we can conclude that there must be units which **supply** [inputs] materials to the net; units which open or close, by means of **pumps** [empowers] or **valves** [on/off], the flow of materials; units which simply **pipes** [flows] materials “along”; units which **fork** [flow] materials in two [or more]¹¹ ongoing directions; units which **join** two [or more]¹² material flows into one flow; units which **treat** [process] one or more incoming [in-flowed] and contained materials¹³ into one or more contained and outgoing [out-flowed] materials¹⁴; and units which **dispose** [outputs] one [or more]¹⁵ materials¹⁶.

Let us then consider **the technicalities of modelling conjoins** e . The conjoin has a part: `observe_conjoin_part(e)`, p , and it has one or more materials: `observe_conjoin_materials(e)`, (m_1, m_2, \dots, m_m) . The mereology of p includes that of the unique identifier of e .

When we, above, cautiously, write ‘includes’ it is to say that there may be other topological or conceptual (including intentional) relations.

We can likewise consider material-parts conjoins but leave this to the reader.

This section is “conjoined” with Sect. 4.4.8 on Page 110.

Pipeline Mereology

Example 51 We refer to Appendix Sect. A.3.

4.4 Attributes

To recall: there are three sets of **internal qualities**: unique identifiers, part mereology and attributes. Unique identifiers and mereology are rather definite kinds of internal enduring qualities; attributes form more “free-wheeling” sets of **internal qualities**. Whereas, for this monograph, we suggest to not endow

¹¹ In this monograph we shall just treat the case of two fork outlets.

¹² See footnote 11.

¹³ $m_{i_1}, m_{i_2}, \dots, m_{i_s}$

¹⁴ $m_{o_1}, m_{o_2}, \dots, m_{o_d}$

¹⁵ See footnote 11.

¹⁶ We shall not “speculate” on the possible, general relationships between $m_{i_1}, m_{i_2}, \dots, m_{i_s}$ and $m_{o_1}, m_{o_2}, \dots, m_{o_d}$.

materials with unique identification and mereologies all endurants, i.e., including materials, are endowed with attributes.

4.4.1 Inseparability of Attributes from Parts and Materials

Parts and materials are typically recognised because of their spatial form and are otherwise characterised by their intangible, but measurable attributes. That is, whereas endurants, whether discrete (as are parts) or continuous (as are materials), are physical, tangible, in the sense of being spatial [or being abstractions, i.e., concepts, of spatial endurants], attributes are intangible: cannot normally be touched¹⁷, or seen¹⁸, but can be objectively measured¹⁹. Thus, in our quest for describing domains where humans play an active rôle, we rule out subjective “attributes”: feelings, sentiments, moods. Thus we shall abstain, in our domain science also from matters of aesthetics. We equate all endurants — which have *the same type of unique identifiers the same type of mereologies, and the same types of attributes* — with one sort. Thus removing an internal quality from an endurant makes no sense: the endurant of that type either becomes an endurant of another type or ceases to exist (i.e., becomes a non-entity)!

We can roughly distinguish between two kinds of attributes: those which can be motivated by **physical** (incl. chemical) **concerns**, and those, which, although they embody some form of ‘physics measures’, appear to reflect on **event histories**: “if ‘something’, ϕ , has ‘happened’ to an endurant, e_a , then some ‘commensurate thing’, ψ , has ‘happened’ to another (one or more) endurants, e_b .” where the ‘something’ and ‘commensurate thing’ usually involve some ‘interaction’ between the two (or more) endurants. It can take some reflection and analysis to properly identify endurants e_a and e_b and commensurate events ϕ and ψ . Example 65 on Page 113 shall illustrate the, as we shall call it, **intentional pull** of event histories.

4.4.2 Attribute Modelling Tools

4.4.2.1 Attribute Quality and Attribute Value

We distinguish between an attribute (as a logical proposition, of a name, i.e.) type, and an attribute value, as a value in some value space.

Analysis Function Prompt 12 **analyse_attribute_types:**

One can calculate the set of attribute type names of parts and materials with the following **domain analysis prompt**:

- `analyse_attribute_type_names`

Thus for a part p we may have `analyse_attribute_type_names(p) = {“A1”, “A2”, ..., “Am”}`.

4.4.2.2 Attribute Types and Functions

Let us recall that attributes cover qualities other than unique identifiers and mereology. Let us then consider that parts and materials have one or more attributes. These attributes are qualities which help characterise “what it means” to be a part or a material. Note that we expect every part and material to have at least one attribute. The question is now, in general, how many and, particularly, which.

¹⁷ One can see the red colour of a wall, but one touches the wall.

¹⁸ One cannot see electric current, and one may touch an electric wire, but only if it conducts high voltage can one know that it is indeed an electric wire.

¹⁹ That is, we restrict our domain analysis with respect to attributes to such quantities which are observable, say by mechanical, electrical or chemical instruments. Once objective measurements can be made of human feelings, beauty, and other, we may wish to include these “attributes” in our domain descriptions.

Domain Description Prompt 9 `describe_attributes`: The domain analyser experiments, thinks and reflects about endurant, e , attributes. That process is initiated by the **domain description prompt**:

- `describe_attributes(e)`.

The result of that **domain description prompt** is that the domain analyser cum describer writes down the *attribute (sorts or) types and observers* domain description text according to the following schema: for any endurant e .

10. `describe_attributes` Observer

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let { $A_1, \dots, A_m$ } = analyse_attribute_type_names(e) in
  "Narration:
    [t] ... narrative text on attribute sorts ...
    [o] ... narrative text on attribute sort observers ...
    [p] ... narrative text on attribute sort proof obligations ...
  Formalisation:
    type
      [t]  $A_1, \dots, A_m$ ,
    value
      [o]  $\text{attr\_}A_1: E \rightarrow A_1, \dots, \text{attr\_}A_m: E \rightarrow A_m$ 
    proof obligation [Disjointness of Attribute Types]
      [p]  $\mathcal{PO}$ : let  $P$  be any part sort in [the domain description]
      [p] let  $a:(A_1|A_2|\dots|A_m)$  in  $\text{is\_}A_i(a) \neq \text{is\_}A_j(a)$  [ $i \neq j, i,j:[1..m]$ ] end end
end

The  $\text{is\_}A_j(e)$  is defined by  $A_i, i:[1..n]$ .
```

Modelling Choice 9 `Endurant Attributes`: As for endurant and mereology descriptions the analyser cum describer chooses for some model of a domain, one set of attributes, for another model of supposedly “the same” domain another set of attributes ■

Let A_1, \dots, A_n be the set of all conceivable attributes of endurants $e:E$. (Usually n is a rather large natural number, say in the order of a hundred conceivable such.) In any one domain model the domain analyser cum describer selects a modest subset, A_1, \dots, A_m , i.e., $m < n$. Across many domain models for “more-or-less the same” domain m varies and the attributes, A_1, \dots, A_m , selected for one model may differ from those, $A'_1, \dots, A'_{m'}$, chosen for another model.

The **type** definitions: A_1, \dots, A_m , inform us that the domain analyser has decided to focus on the distinctly named A_1, \dots, A_m attributes.²⁰ The **value** clauses $\text{attr_}A_1:P \rightarrow A_1, \dots, \text{attr_}A_m:P \rightarrow A_m$ are then “automatically” given: if an endurant, $e:E$, has an attribute A_i then there is postulated, “by definition” [eureka] an attribute observer function $\text{attr_}A_i:E \rightarrow A_i$ et cetera ■

We cannot automatically, that is, syntactically, guarantee that our domain descriptions secure that the various attribute types for a endurant sort denote disjoint sets of values. Therefore we must prove it.

4.4.2.3 Attribute Categories

Michael A. Jackson [252] has suggested a hierarchy of attribute categories: from static to dynamic values – and within the dynamic value category: inert values, reactive values, active values – and within the dynamic active value category: autonomous values, biddable values and programmable values. We now review these attribute value types. The review is based on [252, M.A.Jackson]. *Endurant attributes* are either constant or varying, i.e., **static** or **dynamic** attributes.

Attribute Category: 1 By a **static attribute**, $a:A$, **is_static_attribute**(a), we shall understand an attribute whose values are constants, i.e., cannot change.

²⁰ The attribute type names are chosen by the domain analyser to reflect on domain phenomena.

Static Attributes

Example 52 Let us exemplify road net attributes in this and the next examples. And let us assume the following attributes: year of first link construction and link length at that time. We may consider both to be static attributes: The year first established, seems an obvious static attribute and the length is fixed at the time the road was first built.

Attribute Category: 2 By a *dynamic attribute*, $a:A$, $\text{is_dynamic_attribute}(a)$, we shall understand an attribute whose values are variable, i.e., can change. Dynamic attributes are either *inert*, *reactive* or *active* attributes.

Attribute Category: 3 By an *inert attribute*, $a:A$, $\text{is_inert_attribute}(a)$, we shall understand a dynamic attribute whose values only change as the result of external stimuli where these stimuli prescribe new values.

Inert Attribute

Example 53 And let us now further assume the following link attribute: link name. We may consider it to be an inert attribute: the name is not “assigned” to the link by the link itself, but probably by some road net authority which we are not modelling.

Attribute Category: 4 By a *reactive attribute*, $a:A$, $\text{is_reactive_attribute}(a)$, we shall understand a dynamic attribute whose values, if they vary, change in response to external stimuli, where these stimuli either come from outside the domain of interest or from other endurants.

Reactive Attributes

Example 54 Let us further assume the following two link attributes: “wear and tear”, respectively “icy and slippery”. We will consider those attributes to be reactive in that automobiles (another part) travelling the link, an external “force”, typically causes the “wear and tear”, respectively the weather (outside our domain) causes the “icy and slippery” property.

Attribute Category: 5 By an *active attribute*, $a:A$, $\text{is_active_attribute}(a)$, we shall understand a dynamic attribute whose values change (also) of its own volition. Active attributes are either *autonomous*, *biddable* or *programmable* attributes.

Attribute Category: 6 By an *autonomous attribute*, $a:A$, $\text{is_autonomous_attribute}(a)$, we shall understand a dynamic active attribute whose values change only “on their own volition”. The values of an autonomous attributes are a “law unto themselves and their surroundings”.

Autonomous Attributes

Example 55 We enlarge scope of our examples of attribute categories to now also include automobiles (on the road net). In this example we assume that an automobile is driven by a human [behaviour]. These are some automobile attributes: velocity, acceleration, and moving straight, or turning left, or turning right. We shall consider these three attributes to be autonomous. It is the driver, not the automobile, who decides whether the automobile should drive at constant velocity, including 0, or accelerate or decelerate, including stopping. And it is the driver who decides when to turn left or right, or not turn at all.

Attribute Category: 7 By a *biddable attribute*, $a:A$, $\text{is_biddable_attribute}(a)$ we shall understand a dynamic active attribute whose values are prescribed but may fail to be observed as such.

Attribute Category: 8 By a *programmable attribute*, $a:A$, `is_programmable_attribute(a)`, we shall understand a dynamic active attribute whose values can be prescribed.

Programmable Attribute

Example 56 We continue with the automobile on the road net examples. In this example we assume that an automobile includes, as one inseparable entity, “the driver”. These are some automobile attributes: position on a link, velocity, acceleration (incl. deceleration), and direction: straight, turning left, turning right. We shall now consider these three attributes to be programmable.

Figure 4.3 captures an attribute value ontology.

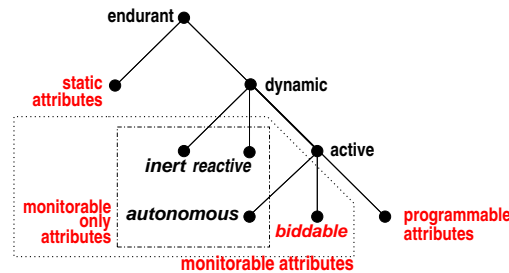


Fig. 4.3. Attribute Value Ontology

Figure 4.3 hints at three categories of dynamic attributes: *monitorable only*, *biddable* and *programmable* attributes.

Attribute Category: 9 By a *monitorable only attribute*, $a:A$, `is_monitorable_only_attribute(a)`, we shall understand a dynamic active attribute which is either *inert* or *reactive* or *autonomous*.

That is: $\text{is_monitorable}(e) \equiv \text{is_inert}(e) \vee \text{is_reactive}(e) \vee \text{is_autonomous}(e)$.

Road Net Attributes

Example 57 We treat some attributes of the hubs of a road net.

185 There is a hub state. It is a set of pairs, (l_f, l_t) , of link identifiers, where these link identifiers are in the mereology of the hub. The meaning of the hub state in which, e.g., (l_f, l_t) is an element, is that the hub is open, “green”, for traffic from link l_f to link l_t . If a hub state is empty then the hub is closed, i.e., “red” for traffic from any connected links to any other connected links.

186 There is a hub state space. It is a set of hub states. The current hub state must be in its state space. The meaning of the hub state space is that its states are all those the hub can attain.

187 Since we can think rationally about it, it can be described, hence we can model, as an attribute of hubs, a history of its traffic: the recording, per unique bus and automobile identifier, of the time ordered presence in the hub of these vehicles. Hub history is an *event history*.

type 185 $H\Sigma = (L_UI \times L_UI)\text{-set}$ axiom 185 $\forall h:H \cdot \text{obs_H}\Sigma(h) \in \text{obs_H}\Omega(h)$ type 186 $H\Omega = H\Sigma\text{-set}$ 187 $H_Traffic$ 187 $H_Traffic = (A_UI B_UI) \xrightarrow{m} (TIME \times VPos)^*$ axiom	187 $\forall ht:H_Traffic, ui:(A_UI B_UI) \cdot$ 187 $ui \in \text{dom } ht \Rightarrow \text{time_ordered}(ht(ui))$ value 185 $\text{attr_H}\Sigma: H \rightarrow H\Sigma$ 186 $\text{attr_H}\Omega: H \rightarrow H\Omega$ 187 $\text{attr_H_Traffic}: H \rightarrow H_Traffic$ value 187 $\text{time_ordered}: (TIME \times VPos)^* \rightarrow \text{Bool}$ 187 $\text{time_ordered}(tvpl) \equiv \dots$
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Invariance of Road Net Traffic States

Example 58 We continue Example 57 on the previous page.

188 The link identifiers of hub states must be in the set, $l_{ui}s$, of the road net's link identifiers.

axiom
188 $\forall h:H \cdot h \in h_s \Rightarrow$
188 **let** $h\sigma = \text{attr_H}\Sigma(h)$ **in** $\forall (l_{ui}i, l_{ui}i'):(L_UI \times L_UI) \cdot (l_{ui}i, l_{ui}i') \in h\sigma \Rightarrow \{l_{ui}i, l_{ui}i'\} \subseteq l_{ui}s$ **end**

Pipeline Attributes

Example 59 We refer to Appendix Sect. A.4.

You may skip Example 60 in a first reading.

Road Transport: Further Attributes

Example 60 Links: We show just a few attributes.

189 There is a link state. It is a set of pairs, (h_f, h_t) , of distinct hub identifiers, where these hub identifiers are in the mereology of the link. The meaning of a link state in which (h_f, h_t) is an element is that the link is open, “green”, for traffic *f* from hub h_f to hub h_t . Link states can have either 0, 1 or 2 elements.

190 There is a link state space. It is a set of link states. The meaning of the link state space is that its states are all those the which the link can attain. The current link state must be in its state space. If a link state space is empty then the link is (permanently) closed. If it has one element then it is a one-way link. If a one-way link, l , is imminent on a hub whose mereology designates that link, then the link is a “trap”, i.e., a “blind cul-de-sac”.

191 Since we can think rationally about it, it can be described, hence it can model, as an attribute of links a history of its traffic: the recording, per unique bus and automobile identifier, of the time ordered positions along the link (from one hub to the next) of these vehicles.

192 The hub identifiers of link states must be in the set, $h_{ui}s$, of the road net's hub identifiers.

type
189 $L\Sigma = H_UI\text{-set}$ [programmable, Df.8 Pg.99]
axiom
189 $\forall l:\Sigma \cdot L\Sigma \cdot \text{card } l\Sigma = 2$
189 $\forall l:L \cdot \text{obs_L}\Sigma(l) \in \text{obs_L}\Omega(l)$
type

```

190 L $\Omega$  = L $\Sigma$ -set [static, Df.1 Pg.97]
191 L_Traffic [programmable, Df.8 Pg.99]
191 L_Traffic = (A_UI|B_UI)  $\overline{m}$  (T $\times$ (H_UI $\times$ Frac $\times$ H_UI))*
191 Frac = Real, axiom frac:Frac • 0 < frac < 1
value
189 attr_L $\Sigma$ : L  $\rightarrow$  L $\Sigma$ 
190 attr_L $\Omega$ : L  $\rightarrow$  L $\Omega$ 
191 attr_L_Traffic: :  $\rightarrow$  L_Traffic
axiom
191  $\forall$  lt:L_Traffic, ui:(A_UI|B_UI)•ui  $\in$  dom ht  $\Rightarrow$  time_ordered(ht(ui))
192  $\forall$  l:L • l  $\in$  ls  $\Rightarrow$ 
192 let l $\sigma$  = attr_L $\Sigma$ (l) in  $\forall$  (huii, huii'):(H_UI $\times$ K_UI) •
192 (huii, huii')  $\in$  l $\sigma$   $\Rightarrow$  {huii, huii'}  $\subseteq$  huis end

```

Bus Companies:
 Bus companies operate a number of lines that service passenger transport along routes of the road net. Each line being serviced by a number of buses.

193 Bus companies create, maintain, revise and distribute [to the public (not modeled here), and to buses] bus time tables, not further defined.

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type
193 BusTimTbl [programmable, Df.8 Pg.99]
value
193 attr_BusTimTbl: BC  $\rightarrow$  BusTimTbl

```

There are two notions of time at play here: the indefinite “real” or “actual” time; and the definite calendar, hour, minute and second time designation occurring in some textual form in, e.g., time tables.

Buses: We show just a few attributes:

194 Buses run routes, according to their line number, ln:LN, in the
 195 bus time table, btt:BusTimTbl obtained from their bus company, and and keep, as inert attributes, their segment of that time table.
 196 Buses occupy positions on the road net:
 a either at a hub identified by some h_{ui},
 b or on a link, some fraction, f:Frac, down an identified link, l_{ui}, from one of its identified connecting hubs, fh_{ui}, in the direction of the other identified hub, th_{ui}.
 197 Et cetera.

```

type
194 LN [programmable, Df.8 Pg.99]
195 BusTimTbl [inert, Df.3 Pg.98]
196 BPos == atHub | onLink [programmable, Df.8 Pg.99]
196a atHub :: hui:H_UI
196b onLink :: fhui:H_UI $\times$ lui:L_UI $\times$ frac:Frac $\times$ thui:H_UI
196b Frac = Real, axiom frac:Frac • 0 < frac < 1
197 ...
value
195 attr_BusTimTbl: B  $\rightarrow$  BusTimTbl
196 attr_BPos: B  $\rightarrow$  BPos

```

Private Automobiles: We show just a few attributes:
 We illustrate but a few attributes:

198 Automobiles have static number plate registration numbers.
 199 Automobiles have dynamic positions on the road net:
 [196a] either at a hub identified by some h_{ui},
 [196b] or on a link, some fraction, frac:Frac down an identified link, l_{ui}, from one of its identified connecting hubs, fh_{ui}, in the direction of the other identified hub, th_{ui}.

```

type
198 RegNo [static, Df.1 Pg.97]
199 APos == atHub | onLink [programmable, Df.8 Pg.99]
196a atHub :: h_ui:H_UI
196b onLink :: fh_ui:H_UI × l_ui:L_UI × frac:Fract × th_ui:H_UI
196b Fract = Real, axiom frac:Fract • 0 < frac < 1
value
198 attr_RegNo: A → RegNo
199 attr_APos: A → APos

```

Obvious attributes that are not illustrated are those of velocity and acceleration, forward or backward movement, turning right, left or going straight, etc. The acceleration, deceleration, even velocity, or turning right, turning left, moving straight, or forward or backward are seen as command actions. As such they denote actions by the automobile — such as *pressing the accelerator*, or *lifting accelerator pressure* or *braking*, or *turning the wheel in one direction or another*, etc. As actions they have a kind of counterpart in the *velocity*, the *acceleration*, etc. attributes. Observe that bus companies each have their own distinct *bus time table*, and that these are modeled as *programmable*, Item 193 on the previous page, Page 101. Observe then that buses each have their own distinct *bus time table*, and that these are model-led as *inert*, Item 195 on the preceding page, Page 101. In Items 288–289b Pg. 151 we shall see how the buses communicate with their respective bus companies in order for the buses to obtain the *programmed* bus time tables “in lieu” of their *inert* one! In Items 187 Pg. 99 and 191 Pg. 100, we illustrated an aspect of domain analysis & description that may seem, and at least some decades ago would have seemed, strange: namely that if we can think, hence speak, about it, then we can model it “as a fact” in the domain. The case in point is that we include among hub and link attributes their histories of the timed whereabouts of buses and automobiles.²¹

Calculating Attributes

- 200 Given endurant e we can *meta-linguistically*²² calculate names for its static attributes.
 201 Given endurant e we can *meta-linguistically* calculate name for its monitorable-only attributes at-tributes.
 202 Given endurant e we can *meta-linguistically* calculate names for its controllable attributes.
 203 These four sets make up all the attributes of endurant e .

The type names ST, MA, PT designate mutually disjoint sets, ST, of names of static attributes, sets, MA, of names of monitorable, i.e., monitorable-only and biddable, attributes, sets, PT, of names of programmable, i.e., fully controllable attributes.

value

```

200 stat_attr_types: E → ST
201 moni_attr_types: E → MA
202 prgr_attr_types: E → PT

```

axiom

```

203 ∀ e:E •
200 let stat_nms = stat_attr_types(e),
201     moni_nms = moni_attr_types(e),
202     prgr_nms = prgr_attr_types(e) in
203 card stat_nms + card moni_nms + card prgr_nms
203 = card(stat_nms ∪ mon_nms ∪ prgr_nms) end

```

The above formulas are indicative, like mathematical formulas, they are not computable.

- 204 Given endurant e we can *meta-linguistically* calculate its static attribute values, `stat_attr_vals`;

²² By using the term *meta-linguistically* here we shall indicate that we go outside what is computable – and thus appeal to the reader’s forbearance.

205 given endurant e we can *meta-linguistically* calculate its monitorable-only attribute values, `moni_attr_vals`;
and

206 given endurant e we can *meta-linguistically* calculate its programmable attribute values, `prgr_attr_vals`.

The type names `sa1`, ..., `pap` refer to the types denoted by the corresponding types name `nsa1`, ..., `npap`.

value

204 `stat_attr_vals`: $E \rightarrow SA1 \times SA2 \times \dots \times SAs$

204 `stat_attr_vals(e) \equiv`

204 `let {nsa1, nsa2, ..., nsas} = stat_attr_types(e) in`

204 `(attr_sa1(e), attr_sa2(e), ..., attr_sas(e)) end`

205 `moni_attr_vals`: $E \rightarrow MA1 \times MA2 \times \dots \times MAm$

205 `moni_attr_vals(e) \equiv`

205 `let {nma1, nma2, ..., nmam} = moni_attr_types(e) in`

205 `(attr_ma1(e), attr_ma2(e), ..., attr_mam(e)) end`

206 `prgr_attr_vals`: $E \rightarrow PA1 \times PA2 \times \dots \times PAp$

206 `prgr_attr_vals(e) \equiv`

206 `let {npa1, npa2, ..., npap} = prgr_attr_types(e) in`

206 `(attr_pa1(e), attr_pa2(e), ..., attr_pap(e)) end`

The “ordering” of type values, `(attr_sa1(e), ..., attr_sas(e))`, `(attr_ma1(e), ..., attr_mam(e))`, et cetera, is arbitrary.

4.4.3 A Discourse on Attribute Kinds

In this, in a sense, discursive, section we shall depart, somewhat, from a more direct presentation of analysis and description prompts. We shall muse, as it were, about the following, perceived kinds of concepts and attributes:

- space, time and substance,
- spatio and temporal attributes,
- natural and artefactual attributes,
- geometric attributes,
- action and event attributes,
- and others !

4.4.3.1 A Discussion

Space, Time and Matter²³: Space, `SPACE`, time, `TIME`, and substance, `MATTER`, cannot be *sôle* attributes of endurants²⁴. Endurants exist in space and time. Manifest endurants have substance, i.e., consists of `MATTER`. These three kinds of properties follow by transcendental deduction from rational reasoning. So it is futile to ascribe attributes *sôlely* of these kinds to endurants ! But, stop here, pause a bit. Somehow we must ascribe what appears to be space, time and substance properties to endurants: length, speed, weight. So what is the problem ? The problem is that these latter kinds of properties are artefactual properties. Mankind have found a need to somehow measure spatial, temporal and substance phenomena.

Spatio-like Attributes: The geographical location of a specific “point”²⁵ on the surface of earth, represented by its longitude²⁶ and latitude²⁷, can be an attribute of an endurant. This is so because the representation are artefactual qualities, not transcendently deducible facts. `POINT` are mathematical concepts, created as mathematical abstractions – as are `LINEs`, `CURVEs`, `SURFACEs` and `EXTENTs`.

²³ We remind the reader of Chapter 2.

²⁴ But spatial measures, time stamps, time intervals, and substance (matters) may be attributes

²⁵ By “a specific ‘point’ ” we do not mean a `POINT`.

²⁶ Longitude is the angle east or west of a reference meridian to another meridian that passes through that point [Wikipedia].

²⁷ Latitude is the angle between the equatorial plane and the straight line that passes through that point and through (or close to) the center of the earth [Wikipedia]

The respective *Lengths*, *Areas* and *Volumes* of spatial entities are artefactual qualities ascribed by humans and measured in, for example, m , m^2 and m^3 , respectively.

Temporal-like Attributes: Other attributes are endowed, as properties of endurants, not by man, but inherently there, given to us. The *Time* at which some action is invoked or some event occurs, is not a **TIME**; and the *TimeInterval* (time interval or *duration*) between two actions or events is not a **TI**. Instead humans, after many attempts, have devised ways and means of representing, respectively measuring *Times* and *TimeIntervals*²⁸. A **DAY** is not 24 hours, 0 minute, 0 seconds, and 0 which or whatever fraction of a second you may think of. A **SIDERIALYEAR** is the **TI** it takes for the earth to orbit the sun. While doing so, the earth *spins* on its axis. One complete spin takes exactly a **DAY**. But our concept of a *Day* is that of 24 *Hours*, with each hour “divided” into 60 *Minutes*, and each minute into 60 *Seconds*, and so forth. So *Year*, *Month*, *Week*, *Day*, *Hour*, *Minute*, *Second*, etc., are human constructions devised to represent time intervals. These time interval representations are of some *absolute* kind. They are independent of which endurant, at which **POINT** in **SPACE**, e.g., where on earth, they may be related to. As human constructions they have lead to many ingenious means for their measure: *clocks* of many kinds^{29,30}. But clocks do not measure time, only time intervals. The time that an event occurred, or is to occur, or an action was (to be) invoked, are of *absolute* kind. A time, like “*Saturday 16 May, 2020, at 9:27:03*” is such an example. Time has, to some physicists, no [absolute] beginning point. There is no “*On the first day and in the first hour of creation*”. So mankind has settled on some, you may say, ‘compromise’. We “speak of” time, usually, as if it was an interval: “*Around the year 482 Before Christ*³¹”, or “*August 16, 2020: 11:41 am, after Christ*³²”. Time indications must state the, or an approximate *location* on earth, for which they are given, or some other reference frame, e.g., a *time zone*, such as **Greenwich Mean Time**, **GMT** or other (**CET**, **EET**, **WET**, **ET**, **PST** etc.). For early continental explorers and ocean sea-farers, accurate chronometers became indispensable³³.

Spatio-Temporal-like Attributes: We talk, for example, of *speed* as distance, i.e., *length*, covered by *time interval*. And we talk, for example, of *velocity*, i.e., speed with *vectorial direction*. On one hand they are spatio-temporal phenomena, inherent as transcendently deducible facts. On the other hand we also experience them, and may have need to represent them as attributes. In other words, we must be careful in our analysis.

Action and Event Attributes³⁴: An important class of attributes record actions and events that occur to endurants. That an action or event occurs or has occurred is immaterial, *but we can talk about it!* As such it may need being recorded in an appropriate attribute. Such recording are, to be meaningful, time-stamped.

Action and Event Attributes

Example 61 From our continuing road transport example we give an example. The occurrence of an automobile at a hub or on a link is an event and can, as such, be recorded in both hub, link and automobile “*history*” attributes. From our likewise continuing pipeline example we give examples. The actions of

²⁸ To wit: quartz-crystal clocks of the 1930s.

²⁹ A second is defined as 9,192,631,770 oscillations of the caesium atom, off by only one second after running for 300 million years.

³⁰ Some references [www.encyclopedia.com]:

- Gibbs, Sharon L. *Greek and Roman Sundials*. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press, 1976.
- Landes, David S. *Revolution in Time: Clocks and the Making of the Modern World*. Cambridge, MA: The Belknap Press of Harvard University Press, 1983.
- Tannenbaum, Beulah, and Myra Stillman. *Understanding Time: The Science of Clocks and Calendars*. New York: Whittlesey House, McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., 1958.

³¹ – time of the birth of the Greek philosopher Plato

³² – time at last editing this text

³³ Christiaan Huygens, following his invention of the pendulum clock in 1656, made the first attempt at a marine chronometer in 1673

³⁴ We refer to Defns. 70 on Page 129 and 71 on Page 129 for definitions of the concepts of *action* and *event*.

opening and closing of valves, the actions of starting and ending of pumping, and the events of a pipe unit becoming empty, or overflowing (“choked”), or changing from laminar to turbulent flow³⁵, can, as such, be recorded in both pipeline unit “*history*” attributes.

Natural and Artefactual Attributes: From the above we can see that in seeking properties of endurants we waver between natural phenomena and artefactual “measures”. So we need be clear of the distinction, for an endurant, whether what may seem to be [a kind of] an endurant attribute is really a **SPACE**, **TIME** or **SUBSTANCE** phenomenon; or whether it is one for which we have “invented” measures. The former we refer to as *natural attributes*. They can be expressed using the *physical attribute kinds* detailed in Sect. 4.4.4 next. The latter we refer to as *artefactual attributes*. They can be expressed using both *physical attribute kinds* and *domain concepts* such as, for example, *unique identifiers*.

Geometrical Attributes: Manifest endurants reside in space. But we characterise them by such geometric measures as position in some earthly, or relative coordinate system, length, a relative measure, and volume. For intricate geometric objects we may be comprehension-wise better off by presenting them in diagrams, drawings or annotated photos or videos.

4.4.3.2 A Preliminary Conclusion

We could go on finding further varieties of attributes. But we stop here ! So why this section ? So that you may hopefully be very careful in your assignment of attributes.

4.4.4 Physics Attributes

In this section we shall muse about the kind of attributes that are typical of natural parts, but which may also be relevant as attributes of artefacts.

Typically, when physicists write computer programs, intended for calculating physics behaviours, they “lump” all of these into the **type Real**, thereby hiding some important physics ‘dimensions’. In this section we shall review that which is missing !

The subject of physical dimensions in programming languages is rather decisively treated in David Kennedy’s 1996 PhD Thesis [259] — so there really is no point in trying to cast new light on this subject other than to remind the reader of what these physical dimensions are all about.

4.4.4.1 SI: The International System of Quantities

In physics we operate on values of attributes of manifest, i.e., physical phenomena. The type of some of these attributes are recorded in well known tables, cf. Tables 4.1–4.3. Table 4.1 shows the base units of physics.

Base quantity	Name	Type
length	meter	m
mass	kilogram	kg
time	second	s
electric current	ampere	A
thermodynamic temperature	kelvin	K
amount of substance	mole	mol
luminous intensity	candela	cd

Table 4.1. Base SI Units

Table 4.2 on the next page shows the units of physics derived from the base units. Table 4.3 shows further units of physics derived from the base units. *velocity* is speed with three dimensional direction and is, for example, given as

³⁵ Becoming empty, overflowing or transiting between laminar and turbulent flows are fuzzy measures; see Sect. 4.4.9 on Page 111.

Name	Type	Derived Quantity	Derived Type
radian	rad	angle	m/m
steradian	sr	solid angle	$\text{m}^2 \times \text{m}^{-2}$
Hertz	Hz	frequency	s^{-1}
newton	N	force, weight	$\text{kg} \times \text{m} \times \text{s}^{-2}$
pascal	Pa	pressure, stress	N/m^2
joule	J	energy, work, heat	$\text{N} \times \text{m}$
watt	W	power, radiant flux	J/s
coulomb	C	electric charge	$\text{s} \times \text{A}$
volt	V	electromotive force	$\text{W}/\text{A} (\text{kg} \times \text{m}^2 \times \text{s}^{-3} \times \text{A}^{-1})$
farad	F	capacitance	$\text{C}/\text{V} (\text{kg}^{-1} \times \text{m}^{-2} \times \text{s}^4 \times \text{A}^2)$
ohm	Ω	electrical resistance	$\text{V}/\text{A} (\text{kg} \times \text{m}^2 \times \text{s}^3 \times \text{A}^2)$
siemens	S	electrical conductance	$\text{A}/\text{V} (\text{kg} \times \text{m}^2 \times \text{s}^3 \times \text{A}^2)$
weber	Wb	magnetic flux	$\text{V} \times \text{s} (\text{kg} \times \text{m}^2 \times \text{s}^{-2} \times \text{A}^{-1})$
tesla	T	magnetic flux density	$\text{Wb}/\text{m}^2 (\text{kg} \times \text{s}^2 \times \text{A}^{-1})$
henry	H	inductance	$\text{Wb}/\text{A} (\text{kg} \times \text{m}^2 \times \text{s}^{-2} \times \text{A}^2)$
degree Celsius	$^{\circ}\text{C}$	temp. rel. to 273.15 K	K
lumen	lm	luminous flux	$\text{cd} \times \text{sr} (\text{cd})$
lux	lx	illuminance	$\text{lm}/\text{m}^2 (\text{m}^2 \times \text{cd})$

Table 4.2. Derived SI Units

Name	Explanation	Derived Type
area	square meter	m^2
volume	cubic meter	m^3
speed	meter per second	m/s
wave number	reciprocal meter	m^{-1}
mass density	kilogram per cubic meter	kg/m^3
specific volume	cubic meter per kilogram	m^3/kg
current density	ampere per square meter	A/m^2
magnetic field strength	ampere per meter	A/m
substance concentration	mole per cubic meter	mol/m^3
luminance	candela per square meter	cd/m^2
mass fraction	kilogram per kilogram	$\text{kg}/\text{kg} = 1$

Table 4.3. Further SI Units

- velocity, meter per second with direction: m/s
- acceleration, meter per second squared and (*longitude, latitude, azimuth*) measured in *radian*: $\text{m}/\text{s}^2(r, r, r)$

Table 4.4 shows standard prefixes for SI units of measure and Tables 4.5 show fractions of SI units.

Prefix name	deca	hecto	kilo	mega	giga	
Prefix symbol	da	h	k	M	G	
Factor	10 ⁰	10 ¹	10 ²	10 ³	10 ⁶	10 ⁹
Prefix name	tera	peta	exa	zetta	yotta	
Prefix symbol	T	P	E	Z	Y	
Factor	10 ¹²	10 ¹⁵	10 ¹⁸	10 ²¹	10 ²⁴	

Table 4.4. Standard Prefixes for SI Units of Measure

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The point in bringing this material is that when modelling, i.e., describing domains we must be extremely careful in not falling into the trap of modelling physics types, etc., as we do in programming – by simple **Reals**. We claim, without evidence, that many trivial programming mistakes are due to confusions between especially derived SI units, fractions and prefixes.

Prefix name	deca	hecto	kilo	mega	giga	
Prefix symbol	da	h	k	M	G	
Factor	10 ⁰	10 ¹	10 ²	10 ³	10 ⁶	10 ⁹
Prefix name	tera	peta	exa	zetta	yotta	
Prefix symbol	T	P	E	Z	Y	
Factor	10 ¹²	10 ¹⁵	10 ¹⁸	10 ²¹	10 ²⁴	

Prefix name	deci	centi	milli	micro	nano	
Prefix symbol	d	c	m	μ	n	
Factor	10 ⁰	10 ⁻¹	10 ⁻²	10 ⁻³	10 ⁻⁶	10 ⁻⁹
Prefix name	pico	femto	atto	zepto	yocto	
Prefix symbol	p	f	a	z	y	
Factor	10 ⁻¹²	10 ⁻¹⁵	10 ⁻¹⁸	10 ⁻²¹	10 ⁻²⁴	

Table 4.5. SI Units of Measure and Fractions

4.4.4.2 Units are Indivisible

A volt, $\text{kg} \times \text{m}^2 \times \text{s}^{-3} \times \text{A}^{-1}$, see Table 4.2, is “indivisible”. It is not a composite structure of mass, length, time, and electric current – in some intricate relationship.

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Physical attributes may ascribe mass and volume to endurants. But they do not reveal the substance, i.e., the material from which the endurant is made. That is done by chemical attributes.

4.4.4.3 Chemical Elements

The chemical elements are, to us, what makes up a substance of MATTER. The *mole*, mol, substance is about chemical molecules. A mole contains exactly $6.02214076 \times 10^{23}$ (the Avogadro number) constituent particles, usually atoms, molecules, or ions – of the elements, cf. 'The Periodic Table', en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Periodic_table, cf. Fig. 4.4. Any specific molecule is then a compound of two or more

Periodic table of the elements

Numbering system adopted by the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC). © Encyclopædia Britannica, Inc.

Fig. 4.4. Periodic Table

elements, for example, calciumphosphat: $\text{Ca}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$.

Moles bring substance to endurants. The physics attributes may ascribe weight and volume to endurants, but they do not explain what it is that gives weight, i.e., fills out the volume.

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Example 62**Hub attributes:**

207 number of lanes,
 208 surface,
 209 etc.;

type

207. NoL

Link attributes:

210 number of lanes,
 211 surface,
 212 etc.

Automobile attributes:

213 Length
 214 Width
 215 Height

type

213. Length = $\text{Nat}:\text{cm}$
 214. Width = $\text{Nat}:\text{cm}$
 215. Height = $\text{Nat}:\text{cm}$
 216. BHp = $\text{Nat}:\text{kg} \times \text{m}^{-2} \times \text{s}^{-3}$
 217. Fuel
 218. Vel = $\text{Real}:\text{m} \times \text{s}^{-1}$
 219. Acc = $\text{Real}:\text{m} \times \text{s}^{-2}$

208. SUR

209. ...

value

207. attr_NoL: $\text{H} \rightarrow \text{NoL}$
 208. attr_SUR: $\text{H} \rightarrow \text{SUR}$
 209. ...

value

210. attr_NoL: $\text{L} \rightarrow \text{NoL}$
 211. attr_SUR: $\text{L} \rightarrow \text{SUR}$
 212. ...

216 Power

217 Fuel (Gasoline, Diesel, Electric,...)

218 Velocity,

219 Acceleration, ...

value

213. attr_Length: $\text{A} \rightarrow \text{Length}$
 214. attr_Width: $\text{A} \rightarrow \text{Width}$
 215. attr_Height: $\text{A} \rightarrow \text{Height}$
 216. attr_BHp: $\text{A} \rightarrow \text{BHp}$
 217. attr_Fuel: $\text{A} \rightarrow \text{Fuel}$
 218. attr_Vel: $\text{A} \rightarrow \text{Vel}$
 219. attr_Acc: $\text{A} \rightarrow \text{Acc}$

4.4.5 Presentation of Physical Attributes

Physical attributes have several dimensions [i] First, as an example, there are the abstract physical units time interval, distance, mass, etc. [ii] Then, to continue with these units, there are the concrete physical units, e.g., s (second), e.g., m (meter) and, e.g., g (gramme). [iii] Finally there are the scales 10^n , n a positive natural number, or n a negative such. We suggest that your abstract physical attribute type, A , embodies

220 of what abstract physical units it is, i.e., **obs_phys_unit**,
 221 of what concrete physical units it is, i.e., **obs_conr_unit**, and
 222 its scale, i.e., **obs_scale**.

type

220 AbsPhysUnit_Attr = "time_interval" | "length" | "mass" | ...
 221 ConcPhysUnit_Attr = "second" | "minute" | "hour" | "meter" | "gram" | ...
 222 PhysScale_Attr = Intg

value

220 obs_AbsPhysUnit_Attr: $\text{E} \leadsto \text{AbsPhysUnit}$
 221 obs_ConcPhysUnit_Attr: $\text{E} \leadsto \text{ConcPhysUnit}$
 222 obs_PhysScale_Attr: $\text{E} \leadsto \text{PhysScale}$

These sketched observer functions are partial as they are undefined for non-physical attributes.

4.4.6 The Care and Feeding of Physical Attributes

The above, i.e., Sect. 4.4.5, suggests that we introduce the following analysis predicates and functions:

223 **is_physical_attribute**: $\text{A} \rightarrow \text{Bool}$,

224 **analyse_abs_phys_attr**: $A \leadsto \text{Abs_Phys_Attr}$
 225 **analyse_conc_phys_attr**: $A \leadsto \text{Conc_Phys_Attr}$
 226 **analyse_phys_attr_scale**: $A \leadsto \text{Phys_Attr_Scale}$

where the user then defines the concrete `Abs_Phys_Attr`, `Conc_Phys_Attr` and `Phys_Attr_Scale` types as per Sect. 4.4.5. Then we suggest that the user define a number of “conversion” functions:

- **convert_from_to(from_concrete_unit, to_concrete_unit)**: converts between concrete physical attributes, e.g., pounds and kilograms, meters and yards, meters and kilometers, gram and ounces, etc.,
- **add_concrete_values(v1, v2), subtract_concrete_values(v1, v2), multiply_concrete_values(v1, v2), etc.** – you see what we mean !

We suggest that the *domain analyser & describer*, when professionally developing domain models for domains that can be characterised by some dominance of physical attribute endurants, be very careful in caring for their physical unit analysis & description. Many aircraft, train and power plant disasters can be referred back to software which handles physical units erroneously. We refer to [6, 74, 181] for more on this issue.

4.4.7 Artefactual Attributes

Despite our pragmatic decision to not distinguish between natural and artefactual parts, cf. Sect. 3.9.3 on Page 52, We shall now exemplify classes of attributes solely on their parts being man-made. The reason for these exemplifications is that we shall primarily advocate the application of domain analysis & description to domains on the basis of our interest in understanding their artefacts !

4.4.7.1 Examples of Artefactual Attributes

We exemplify some artefactual attributes.

- **Designs**. Artefacts are man-made endurants. Hence “exhibit” a design. My three dimensional villa has floor plans, etc. The artefact attribute: ‘*design*’ can thus be presented by the architect’s or the construction engineer’s CAD/CAM drawings.
- **States** of an artefact, such as, for example, a road intersection (or railway track) traffic signal; and
- **Currency**, e.g., Kr, \$, €, ¥, et cetera, used as an attribute³⁶, say the cost of a train ticket.
- **Artefactual Dimensions**. Let the domain be that of industrial production whose attributes could then be: production: units produced per year, Units/Year ; growth: increase in units produced per year, $\text{Units} \times \text{Year}^{-2}$; productivity: production per staff, $\text{Units} \times \text{Year}^{-1} \times \text{Staff}^{-1}$ — where the base for units and staff are natural numbers.

Document Artefactual Attributes

Example 63 Let us consider *documents* as artefactual parts. Typical document attributes are: (i) kind of document: book, report, pamphlet, letter and ticket, (ii) publication date, (iii) number of pages, (iv) author/publisher and (v) possible colophon information. *All of these attributes are non-physics quantities.*

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Example 64 Hub attributes:

227 state: set of pairs of link identifiers from, respectively to which automobiles may traverse the hub;
 228 state space: set of all possible hub states.

³⁶ One could also consider a [10 €] bank note to be an artefact, i.e., a part.

type	value
227. $H\Sigma = (LI \times LI)\text{-set}$	227. $\text{attr_H}\Sigma : H \rightarrow H\Sigma$
228. $H\Omega = H\Sigma\text{-set}$	228. $\text{attr_H}\Omega : H \rightarrow H\Omega$
Link attributes:	
229 state: set of 0, 1, 2 or 3 pairs of adjacent hub identifiers, the link is closed, open in one direction (closed in the opposite), open in the other direction, or open in both directions; and	
230 state space: set of all possible link states.	
type	value
229. $L\Sigma = (LI \times LI)\text{-set}$	229. $\text{attr_L}\Sigma : L \rightarrow L\Sigma$
230. $L\Omega = L\Sigma\text{-set}$	230. $\text{attr_L}\Omega : L \rightarrow L\Omega$

4.4.8 Conjoin Attributes

This section is “conjoined” with Sect. 4.3.7 on Page 94. Part-materials conjoins, the atomic part and its one or more materials, enjoy some special attributes relations. We refer to Sect. 4.3.7’s Fig. 4.2 on Page 95. We observe there the following generic flow-net conjoins: **supply**, **pipe**, **pump**, **valve**, **join**, **fork**, **treat** and **dispose**. For these we now suggest some archetypical conjoin part attributes. Indices i index join inlets: 1, 2 or more, and fork outlet: 1, 2, or more. If index is left out the conjoin unit has at most 1 inlet and at most one outlet.

4.4.8.1 Conjoin Attribute Categories

- 231 attr_Substance : the substance name of the material that can be “carried” by the conjoin part unit.
 232 attr_Volume : volume of material that the conjoin part can take, measured say in m^3 ;
 233 $\text{attr_Max_In_Flow}_i$: typically a volume/sec quantity, measured as $\text{max_in_flow}_i : m^3/sec$;³⁷
 234 $\text{attr_Max_Out_Flow}_i$: as for in-flow, but now for outlets: $\text{max_out_flow}_i : m^3/sec$;³⁸
 235 $\text{attr_Curr_In_Flow}_i$: typically a volume/sec quantity, measured as $\text{curr_in_flow}_i : m^3/sec$;
 236 $\text{attr_Curr_Out_Flow}_i$: as for in-flow, but now for outlets: $\text{curr_out_flow}_i : m^3/sec$;
 237 $\text{Number_of_Flow_Inlets}$: a natural number n , typically 1 or 2;
 238 $\text{Number_of_Flow_Outlets}$: a natural number n , typically 1 or 2;
 239 attr_Open_Close : of a valve or pump, e.g., indicated as “open” or “closed”;

4.4.8.2 Conjoin Attribute Assignments

supply: We assume a *well* of indefinite capacity.

- $\text{attr_Substance}[s]$, $\text{attr_Max_Out_Flow_M}_i$, $\text{attr_Curr_Out_Flow_M}_i$.
- Possibly other attributes.

pipe: We assume a *pipe* to be as a tube.

- attr_Substance , $\text{attr_Volume_Substance}$, attr_Max_In_Flow , attr_Curr_In_Flow , attr_Max_Out_Flow , $\text{attr_Curr_Out_Flow}$.
- Possibly other attributes.

pump: We assume a simple positive displacement pump.

- attr_Substance , $\text{attr_Volume_Substance}$, attr_Max_In_Flow , attr_Curr_In_Flow , attr_Max_Out_Flow , $\text{attr_Curr_Out_Flow}$.
- $\text{attr_Pumping_Volume_per_Sec}$:
- $\text{attr_Pumping_Height}$:
- Possibly other attributes.

³⁷ set by conjoin unit manufacturer to indicate maximum laminar flow

³⁸ set by conjoin unit manufacturer to indicate maximum laminar flow

valve: We assume a simple butterfly valve.

- attr_Substance, attr_Volume_Substance, attr_Max_In_Flow, attr_Curr_In_Flow, attr_Max_Out_Flow, attr_Curr_Out_Flow, attr_Open_Close.
- Possibly other attributes.

join: A join has 1 inlet and n outlets, for n usually being two.

- itemize
- attr_Substance, attr_Volume_Substance, attr_Max_In_Flow₁, attr_Max_In_Flow₂, attr_Curr_In_Flow₁, attr_Curr_In_Flow₂, attr_Max_Out_Flow, attr_Curr_Out_Flow.
- Possibly other attributes.

fork: A fork has one inlet and n outlets, for n usually being two.

- itemize
- attr_Substance, attr_Volume_Substance, attr_Max_In_Flow, attr_Curr_In_Flow, attr_Max_Out_Flow₁, attr_Max_Out_Flow₂, attr_Curr_Out_Flow₁, attr_Curr_Out_Flow₂.
- Possibly other attributes.

treat: Besides the attributes of the join and fork units, the **treatment** units are characterised by the operations that they can perform on their conjoined materials.

- **Operations:** Usually a treatment unit can perform one operation on its ‘embodied’ (conjoined) materials. But it is always good to generalise, so we say there are $n \geq 1$ operations. Each operation is characterised by a “recipe scaled” signature. m is the number of distinct materials, each of substance Substance _{i} . f_{ij} is an appropriate fraction, $0 \leq f_{ij} \leq 1$.

∞ o_1 : Operation₁: f_{11} Substance₁ \times f_{12} Substance₂ $\times \dots$ f_{1m} Substance _{m}

∞ o_2 : Operation₂: f_{21} Substance₁ \times f_{22} Substance₂ $\times \dots$ f_{2m} Substance _{m}

∞ ...

∞ o_m : Operation _{n} : f_{n1} Substance₁ \times f_{n2} Substance₂ $\times \dots$ f_{nm} Substance _{m}

- Possibly other attributes.

dispose: A disposal conjoin usually has indefinite capacity (i.e., volume).

- attr_Substance, attr_Volume_Substance, attr_Max_In_Flow, attr_Curr_In_Flow.
- Possibly other attributes.

We could likewise consider material-parts conjoins, but leave that to the reader.

4.4.9 Fuzzy Attributes

Fuzzy sets introduced, notably, by Lotfi Zadeh [379, 1965]³⁹ are somewhat like sets whose elements have degrees of membership. Fuzzy set is a mathematical model of vague qualitative or quantitative data, frequently generated by means of the natural language. We shall thus distinguish between fuzzy attribute values, i.e., vague qualitative values, and fuzzy attributes, i.e., vague quantitative types. Before Klaua and Zadeh fuzziness in logic had been studied as *infinite-valued logic* Łukasiewicz⁴⁰ and Alfred Tarski⁴¹.

4.4.9.0.1 Fuzzy Sets and Fuzzy Logic

We shall informally characterise fuzziness. In classical set theory an element is either a member of some set or it is not, i.e., **true** or **false**. In fuzzy set theory an element has a degree, indicated, for example, by a real number in the interval from and including 0 to and including 1. If membership degree is 0 the element is not in the set. If membership degree is 1 the element is certainly in the set. So when we speak of a fuzzy element, as being either of an attribute or an attribute value, then we should indicate its “membership degree”. For the logic of reasoning over fuzzy attribute values and fuzzy attributes we refer to classical textbooks on fuzzy logic and fuzzy sets, e.g., [254].

³⁹ – and, it appears, also, same year, by Dieter Klaua, [260, 261].

⁴⁰ Hay, L.S., 1963, Axiomatization of the infinite-valued predicate calculus. Journal of Symbolic Logic 28:7786.

⁴¹ Mancosu, Paolo; Zach, Richard; Badesa, Calixto (2004). Many-valued logics. The Development of Mathematical Logic from Russell to Tarski 1900-1935. The Development of Modern Logic. Oxford University Press. pp. 418420. ISBN 9780199722723.

4.4.9.0.2 Fuzzy Attribute Types

So we can think of an attribute A as being fuzzy, **is_fuzzy(A)** to mean that its values are fuzzy, i.e., lie in the open interval from and including 0 to and including 1.

4.4.9.0.3 Fuzzy Attribute Values

And these values can be represented, in RSL, by **Reals**:

- **type A : fuzzy: Real**

4.4.9.0.4 Fuzzy Reasoning

As I as, we shall not, in this monograph, explore the possibilities of modelling domains using Fuzzy Logic !

4.4.9.0.5 Fuzziness: A Possible Research Topic ?

Instead we urge readers to do so. The research field of fuzzy sets, logic, systems and engineering is very large. We refer to such peer reviewed journals as

- IEEE Transactions on Fuzzy Systems, IEEE ieeexplore.ieee.org/xpl/RecentIssue.jsp?punumber=91;
- International Journal of Fuzzy Systems, Springer springer.com/journal/40815;
- Fuzzy Sets and Systems, Elsevier journals.elsevier.com/fuzzy-sets-and-systems;
- International Journal of Fuzzy Logic and Intelligent Systems, ijfis.org/main.html;
- Journal of Intelligent & Fuzzy Systems, content.iospress.com/journals/journal-of-intelligent--and-fuzzy-systems/P.

4.5 Intentionality

The conjoin concept, that of relating some endurants more strongly, in the form of conjoins, reflects one or more intentions. In the next section we shall encircle the ‘intention’ concept by quoting from Kai Sørlander’s Philosophy [345, 346, 347, 348].

4.5.1 Issues Leading Up to Intentionality

Causality of Purpose: If there is to be *the possibility of language and meaning* then there must exist primary entities which are *not entirely encapsulated within the physical conditions*; that they are stable and can influence one another. This is only possible if such primary entities are subject to a *supplementary causality directed at the future: a causality of purpose*.

Living Species: These primary entities are here called *living species*. What can be deduced about them ? They are characterised by *causality of purpose*: they *have some form they can be developed to reach*; and which *they must be causally determined to maintain*; this *development and maintenance* must occur in *an exchange of matter with an environment*. It must be possible that living species occur in one of two forms: one form which is characterised by *development, form and exchange*, and another form which, additionally, can be characterised by the ability to *purposeful movements*. The first we call *plants*, the second we call *animals*.

Animate Entities: For an animal to purposefully move around there must be “additional conditions” for such self-movements to be in accordance with the principle of causality: they must have *sensory organs* sensing among others the immediate purpose of its movement; they must have *means of motion* so that it can move; and they must have *instincts, incentives and feelings* as causal conditions that what it senses can drive it to movements. And all of this in accordance with the laws of physics.

Animals: To possess these three kinds of “additional conditions”, must be built from special units which have an inner relation to their function as a whole; Their *purposefulness* must be built into their physical building units, that is, as we can now say, their *genomes*. That is, animals are built from genomes which give them the *inner determination* to such building blocks for *instincts, incentives and feelings*. Similar kinds of deduction can be carried out with respect to plants. Transcendentally one can deduce basic principles of evolution but not its details.

Humans – Consciousness and Learning: The existence of animals is a necessary condition for there being language and meaning in any world. That there can be *language* means that animals are capable of *developing language*.

And this must presuppose that animals can *learn from their experience*. To learn implies that animals can *feel* pleasure and distaste and can *learn*. One can therefore deduce that animals must possess such building blocks whose inner determination is a basis for learning and consciousness.

Language: Animals with higher social interaction uses *signs*, eventually developing a *language*. These languages adhere to the same system of defined concepts which are a prerequisite for any description of any world: namely the system that philosophy lays bare from a basis of transcendental deductions and the *principle of contradiction* and its *implicit meaning theory*. A *human* is an animal which has a *language*.

Knowledge: Humans must be *conscious* of having *knowledge* of its concrete situation, and as such that human can have knowledge about what he feels and eventually that human can know whether what he feels is true or false. Consequently a *human can describe his situation correctly*.

Responsibility: In this way one can deduce that humans can thus have *memory* and hence can have *responsibility*, be *responsible*. Further deductions lead us into *ethics*.

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We shall not further develop the theme of *living species: plants and animals*, thus excluding, most notably *humans*, in this chapter. We claim that the present chapter, due to its foundation in Kai Sørlander's Philosophy, provides a firm foundation within which we, or others, can further develop this theme: *analysis & description of living species*.

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Intentionality: *Intentionality* as a philosophical concept is defined by the Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy⁴² as “the power of minds to be about, to represent, or to stand for, things, properties and states of affairs.”

Intentional Pull: Two or more artefactual parts of different sorts, but with overlapping sets of intents may exert an *intentional “pull”* on one another. This *intentional “pull”* may take many forms. Let $p_x : X$ and $p_y : Y$ be two parts of different sorts (X, Y) , and with *common intent*, i . *Manifestations* of these, their common intent must somehow be *subject to constraints*, and these must be *expressed predicatively*.

When a composite or conjoin artefact models “itself” as put together with a number of other endurants then it does have an intentionality and the components’ individual intentionalities does, i.e., shall relate to that. The composite road transport system has intentionality of the road serving the automobile part, and the automobiles have the intent of being served by the roads, across “a divide”, and vice versa, the roads of serving the automobiles.

Natural endurants, for example, rivers, lakes, seas⁴³ and oceans become, in a way, artefacts with and when mankind using them for transport; natural gas becomes an artefact when drilled for, exploited and piped; and harbours make no sense without artefactual boats sailing on the natural water.

This, perhaps vague, concept of intentionality has yet to be developed into something of a theory. Despite that this is yet to be done, cf. Exercise 12 on Page 121, we shall proceed to define an *intentionality analysis function*. First we postulate a set of **intent designators**. An *intent designator* is really a further undefined quantity. But let us, for the moment, think of them as simple character strings, that is, literals, for example “road”, “hub”, “link”, “automobile”, “transport”, etc.

type Intent

Analysis Function Prompt 13 `analyse_intentionality`:

The domain analyser analyses an endurant as to the a finite number of intents, zero or more, with which the analyser judges the endurant can be associated. The method provides the **domain analysis prompt**:

- `analyse_intentionality` directs the domain analyser to observe a set of intents.

value `analyse_intentionality(e) ≡ {i_1, i_2, ..., i_n} ⊆ Intent`

Intentional Pull, I

Example 65 We illustrate the concept of intentional “pull”:

⁴² Jacob, P. (Aug 31, 2010). *Intentionality*. Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy (<https://seop.illc.uva.nl/entries/intentionality/>) October 15, 2014, retrieved April 3, 2018.

⁴³ Seas are smaller than oceans and are usually located where the land and ocean meet. Typically, seas are partially enclosed by land. The Sargasso Sea is an exception. It is defined only by ocean currents [oceanservice.noaa.gov/facts/oceanorsea.html].

240 *automobiles include the intent of 'transport',*
 241 *and so do hubs and links.*

240 analyse_intentionality: A \rightarrow ("transport"|...)-set
 241 analyse_intentionality: H \rightarrow ("transport"|...)-set
 241 analyse_intentionality: L \rightarrow ("transport"|...)-set

Manifestations of "transport" is reflected in *automobiles* having the automobile position attribute, APos, Item 199 Pg. 101, *hubs* having the *hub traffic* attribute, H_Traffic, Item 187 Pg. 99, and in *links* having the *link traffic* attribute, L_Traffic, Item 191 Pg. 100.

242 Seen from the point of view of an automobile there is its own traffic history, A_Hist, which is a (time ordered) sequence of timed automobile's positions;

243 seen from the point of view of a hub there is its own traffic history, H_Traffic Item 187 Pg. 99, which is a (time ordered) sequence of timed maps from automobile identities into automobile positions; and

244 seen from the point of view of a link there is its own traffic history, L_Traffic Item 191 Pg. 100, which is a (time ordered) sequence of timed maps from automobile identities into automobile positions.

The *intentional* "pull" of these manifestations is this:

245 The union, i.e. proper merge of all automobile traffic histories, AllATH, must now be identical to the same proper merge of all hub, AllHTH, and all link traffic histories, AllLTH.

type

242 A_Hi = ($\mathbb{T} \times \text{APos}$)*
 187 H_Trf = A_UI \mapsto (TIME \times APos)*
 191 L_Trf = A_UI \mapsto (TIME \times APos)*
 245 AllATH = TIME \mapsto (AUI \mapsto APos)
 245 AllHTH = TIME \mapsto (AUI \mapsto APos)
 245 AllLTH = TIME \mapsto (AUI \mapsto APos)

axiom

245 let allA = mrg_AllATH({(a, attr_A_Hi(a)) | a: A • a \in as}),
 245 allH = mrg_AllHTH({attr_H_Trf(h) | h: H • h \in hs}),
 245 allL = mrg_AllLTH({attr_L_Trf(l) | l: L • l \in ls}) in
 245 allA = mrg_HLT(allH, allL) end

We leave the definition of the four *merge* functions to the reader !

Discussion: We endow each automobile with its history of timed positions and each hub and link with their histories of timed automobile positions. These histories are facts ! They are not something that is laboriously recorded, where such recordings may be imprecise or cumbersome⁴⁴. The facts are there, so we can (but may not necessarily) talk about these histories as facts. It is in that sense that the purpose ('transport') for which man let automobiles, hubs and link be made with their 'transport' intent are subject to an *intentional* "pull". It can be no other way: if automobiles "record" their history, then hubs and links must together "record" identically the same history !.

Please note, that *intents* are not [thought of as] attributes. We consider *intents* to be a fourth, a comprehensive internal quality of endurants. They, so to speak, govern relations between the three other internal quality of endurants: the unique identifiers, the mereologies and the attributes. That is, they predicate them, "arrange" their comprehensiveness. Much more should be said about intentionality. It is a truly, I believe, worthy research topic of its own. We refer to Exercise 12 on Page 121.

An Aspect of Comprehensiveness of Internal Qualities

Example 66 Let us illustrate the issues "at play" here.

- Consider a road transport system uod.
 ∞ Applying analyse_intentionality(uod) may yield the set {"transport", ...}.
- Consider a financial service industry, fss.

⁴⁴ or thought technologically in-feasible – at least some decades ago!

∞ Applying `analyse_intentionality(fss)` may yield the set {"interest on deposit", ...}.
 • Consider a health care system, `hcs`.
 ∞ Applying `analyse_intentionality(hcs)` may yield the set {"cure diseases", ...}.

What these analyses of intentionality yields, with respect to expressing intentional pull, is entirely of the discretion of the *domain analyser & describer* ■

We bring the above example, Example 66 on the preceding page, to indicate, as the name of the example reveals, “An Aspect of Comprehensiveness of Internal Qualities”. That the various components of artefactual systems relate in – further to be explored – ways. In this respect, performing domain analysis & description is not only an engineering pursuit, but also one of research. We leave it to the readers to pursue this research aspect of domain analysis & description – while referring to Exercise 12 on Page 121.

4.5.2 Artefacts

Humans create artefacts – for a reason, to serve a purpose, that is, with **intent**. Artefacts are like parts. They satisfy the laws of physics – and serve a *purpose*, fulfill an *intent*.

4.5.3 Assignment of Attributes

So what can we deduce from the above, a little more than two pages ?

The attributes of **natural parts** and **natural materials** are generally of such concrete types – expressible as some **real** with a dimension⁴⁵ of the International System of Units: <https://physics.nist.gov/cuu/Units/units.html>. Attribute values usually enter *differential equations* and *integrals*, that is, classical calculus.

The attributes of **humans**, besides those of parts, significantly includes one of a usually non-empty set of *intents*. In directing the creation of artefacts humans create these with an intent.

Intentional Pull, II

Example 67 These are examples of human intents: they create roads and automobiles with the intent of transport, they create houses with the intents of living, offices, production, etc., and they create pipelines with the intent of oil or gas transport ■

Human attribute values usually enter into *modal logic* expressions.

4.5.3.1 Artefacts, including Man-made Materials:

Artefacts, besides those of parts, significantly includes a usually singleton set of *intents*.

Intents

Example 68 Roads and automobiles possess the intent of transport; houses possess either one of the intents of living, offices, production; and pipelines possess the intent of oil or gas transport.

Artefact attribute values usually enter into *mathematical logic* expressions.

We leave it to the reader to formulate attribute assignment principles for plants and non-human animals.

⁴⁵ Basic units are meter, kilogram, second, Ampere, Kelvin, mole, and candela. Some derived units are: *Newton*: $kg \times m \times s^{-2}$, *Weber*: $kg \times m^2 \times s^{-2} \times A^{-1}$, etc.

4.5.4 Galois Connections

Galois Theory was first developed by Évariste Galois [1811-1832] around 1830⁴⁶. Galois theory emphasises a notion of **Galois connections**. We refer to standard textbooks on Galois Theory, e.g., [351, 2009].

4.5.4.1 Galois Theory: An Ultra-brief Characterisation

To us, an essence of Galois connections can be illustrated as follows:

- Let us observe⁴⁷ properties of a number of endurants, say in the form of attribute types.
- Let the function \mathcal{F} map sets of entities to the set of common attributes.
- Let the function \mathcal{G} map sets of attributes to sets of entities that all have these attributes.
- $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ is a Galois connection
 - ∞ if, when including more entities, the common attributes remain the same or fewer, and
 - ∞ if when including more attributes, the set of entities remain the same or fewer.
 - ∞ $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ is monotonously decreasing.

LEGO Blocks

Example 69 We⁴⁸ have

- There is a collection of LEGO™ blocks.
- From this collection, A , we identify the **red** square blocks, e .
- That is $\mathcal{F}(A)$ is $B = \{\text{attr_Color}(e) = \text{red}, \text{attr_Form}(e) = \text{square}\}$.
- We now add all the **blue** square blocks.
- And obtain A' .
- Now the common properties are their **squareness**: $\mathcal{F}(A')$ is $B' = \{\text{attr_Form}(e) = \text{square}\}$.
- More blocks as argument to \mathcal{F} yields fewer or the same number of properties.
- The more entities we observe, the fewer common attributes they possess.

Civil Engineering: Consultants and Contractors

Example 70 Less playful, perhaps more seriously, and certainly more relevant to our endeavour, is this next example.

- Let X be the set of civil engineering, i.e., building, consultants, i.e., those who, like architects and structural engineers design buildings – of whatever kind.
- Let Y be the set of building contractors, i.e., those firms who actually implement, i.e., build to, those designs.
- Now a subset, X_{bridges} of X , contain exactly those consultants who specialise in the design of bridges, with a subset, Y_{bridges} , of Y capable of building bridges.
- If we change to a subset, $X'' = X_{\text{bridges, tunnels}}$ of X , allowing the design of both bridges **and** tunnels, then we obtain a corresponding subset, $Y_{\text{bridges, tunnels}}$, of Y .
- So when
 - ∞ we enlarge the number of properties from ‘bridges’ to ‘bridges and tunnels’,
 - ∞ we reduce, most likely, the number of contractors able to fulfill such properties,
 - ∞ and vice versa,
- then we have a Galois Connection.

⁴⁶ en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Galois_theory

⁴⁷ The following is an edited version of an explanation kindly provided by Asger Eir, e-mail, June 5, 2020 [142, 143, 82].

⁴⁸ From E-mail, Asger Eir, June 5, 2020

4.5.4.2 Galois Connections and Intentionality

We have a hunch⁵⁰! Namely that there are some sort of Galois Connections with respect to intentionality.

4.5.4.3 Galois Connections and Intentionality: A Possible Research Topic ?

We leave to to the interested reader to pursue this line of inquiry.

4.6 Systems Modelling

4.6.1 General

In Sect. 4.3.7, as well as in numerous examples we started to reveal some “classes” of domains for the modelling of which it appears that there are some “standard” techniques. For general, usually bi-directed networks of usually atomic parts, we analysed & described these graphs into sets of units whose mereology “revealed” their “interconnection”. For less general, usually directed, acyclic networks of usually conjoins, we analysed & described these graphs also into sets of units, now the conjoins, whose mereology now “revealed” their “interconnection”. For less topologically, more conceptually and intentionally related aggregations⁵¹ of endurants, we analysed & described as possibly hierarchically organised composite endurants, whose mereology, in their way, “revealed” the “interconnection” of the aggregations.

4.6.2 Passively Mobile Endurants

Some endurants are mobile. Mobile endurants are either actively mobile, i.e., move on their own accord, or passively mobile, i.e., are transported by other endurants. Usually passively mobile endurants are expressed as siblings of part-parts conjoins – where the ‘parts’ usually consist of a definite number of these: usually zero, one or two.

Credit Card Shopping System

Example 71 A credit card shopping system⁵² consists of (i) credit card (user)s, (ii) shops and (iii) credit card honoring banks. The shops offer for sale and users hoard merchandise. We suggest to model, as a fourth element of the system, (iv) the merchandise. And let credit card user and shop attributes reflect their merchandise by their unique identifiers.

Container Terminal Port

Example 72 A container terminal port⁵³ consists of (i) vessels, (ii) vessel to/from quay cranes, (iii) quay crane to/from stack trucks, (iv) stack or land truck to/from stack cranes, (v) stacks, and (vi) land trucks. Vessels and stacks hold any number of containers over indefinite time intervals. Cranes and trucks hold zero, one or two containers over expectedly short time intervals. We suggest to model, as a seventh element, of a container terminal port (vii) containers; then let vessel, crane, truck and stack attributes reflect their zero or more containers by their unique identifiers.

General Hospital System

⁵⁰ Hunch: a feeling or guess based on intuition rather than fact.

⁵¹ for lack of a better term

⁵² See imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/2016/credit/accs.pdf

⁵³ See imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/2018/yangshan/maersk-pa.pdf

Example 73 A general hospital consists of (i) beds, (ii) staff, and (iii) patients. Patients occupy beds are operated upon by medical doctor staff, are otherwise cared for by nurse staff, et cetera. We suggest to model occupants of beds, patients on operating tables, and patients being cared for by nurses by unique patient identifiers.

Thus we suggest the following modelling choices: Actively mobile endurants shall be transcendently deduced into behaviours. Passively mobile endurants if “embodied” by actively mobile endurants, shall not. If, instead, these passively mobile endurants are modelled as a major set of endurants of their domain they will be modelled as behaviours – with few other actions than responding to “*who, at the moment, transports them*”. All this should be clear after Chapter 6.

4.7 Discussion of Endurants

Domain descriptions are, as we have already shown, formulated, both informally and formally, by means of abstract types, that is, by sorts for which no concrete models are usually given. Sorts are made to denote possibly empty, possibly infinite, rarely singleton, sets of entities on the basis of the qualities defined for these sorts, whether external or internal. By *junk* we shall understand that the domain description unintentionally denotes undesired entities. By *confusion* we shall understand that the domain description unintentionally have two or more identifications of the same entity or type. The question is *can we formulate a [formal] domain description such that it does not denote junk or confusion*? The short answer to this is no! So, since one naturally wishes “no junk, no confusion” what does one do? The answer to that is *one proceeds with great care*!

4.8 A Domain Discovery Process, II

We shall again emphasize some aspects of the *domain analyser & describer* method. A **method principle** is that of *exhaustively analyse & describe* all internal qualities of the domain under scrutiny. A **method technique** implied here is that sketched below. The **method tools** are here all the analysis and description prompts covered so far.

The predecessor of this section is Sect. 3.19 on Page 75. Please be reminded of *Discovery Schema 0*’s declaration of *Notice Board* variables (Page 75). In this section we collect (i) the *description of unique identifiers* of all parts of the state; (ii) the *description of mereologies* of all parts of the state; and (iii) the *description of attributes* of all parts of the state. (iii) We finally gather these into the *discover_internal_endurant_qualities* procedures.

An Endurant Internal Qualities Domain Analysis and Description Process

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discover_uids: Unit → Unit
discover_uids() ≡
  for ∀ v • v ∈ gen
    do txt := txt † [type_name(v)→txt(type_name(v))^(describe_unique_identifier(v))] end
discover_mereologies: Unit → Unit
discover_mereologies() ≡
  for ∀ v • v ∈ gen
    do txt := txt † [type_name(v)→txt(type_name(v))^(describe_mereology(v))] end
discover_attributes: Unit → Unit
discover_attributes() ≡
  for ∀ v • v ∈ gen
    do txt := txt † [type_name(v)→txt(type_name(v))^(describe_attributes(v))] end

discover_internal_endurant_qualities: Unit → Unit
discover_internal_endurant_qualities() ≡
  discover_uids();

```

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    axiom [ all parts have unique identifiers ]
discover_mereologies() ;
    axiom [ all unique identifiers are mentioned in sum total of ]
    [ all mereologies and no isolated proper sets of parts ]
discover_attributes() ;
    axiom [ sum total of all attributes span all parts of the state ]

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We shall comment on the axioms in the next section.

4.9 Domain Description Laws

The **axioms** of the immediately above **Discovery Schema** expresses some domain facts: [i] the uniqueness of part identifiers; [ii] that mereologies mention all parts and that the mereologies of no proper subset of parts subset of parts refer only to parts of that subset; and [iii] that part attributes, when they refer, refer only to parts of the state.

4.10 Summary

This chapter's main title was: **DOMAINS – Towards a Statics Ontology**. The term 'statics' pertain to qualities of the 'Domain', not to its 'Ontology'. So, an aspect of the ontology of a domain, such as we have studied it and such as we ordain one aspect of domain analysis & description, is about somehow measurable properties, or about historical actions and events to which endurants of the domain have been subjected, that is, the *internal qualities*. For that study & practice we have suggested a number of analysis & description prompts.

4.10.1 The Description Schemas

We have culminated this chapter with description prompts for **unique identifier** description schema 7 on Page 86, **mereology** description schema 8 on Page 91 and **attribute** description schema 9 on Page 97.

They all describe in, in our case RSL, the domain description text to 'produce' when internal quality analysing & describing a given endurant; but what about the description of those endurants revealed by the analysis & description of that given endurant?

The answer is simple. That is up to you! The **domain analysis & description method** gives you the **tools**, some *techniques* and a few *principles*. But:

- A **principle** of the method could be to secure that all relevant, i.e., implied, endurants are analysed & described.
- A **technique** could be to, somehow, "set aside" all those endurants *revealed by the analysis & description of any given endurant* – with the proviso that no endurant, of **type**, for example, P, is analysed & described more than once.

Same answer that we gave in Sect. 3.21.1 Page 78. A **technique**, such as alluded to above, is show 'formalised' in the pseudo-program of Sect. 4.8 on the preceding page.

4.10.2 Modelling Choices

In this chapter we have put forward some advice on **description** choices: We refer to **Modelling Choices** 8 on Page 91 and 9 on Page 97. The **analysis** predicates and functions are merely aids. They do not effect descriptions, but descriptions are based on the result of their inquiry. Real decisions are made when effecting a **description** function. So the rôle of these modelling choice paragraphs is to alert the describer to make judicious choices.

4.10.3 Method Principles, Techniques and Tools

Recall that by a method we shall understand a set of **principles** for selecting and applying a set of **techniques** using a set of **tools** in order to construct an artefact.

4.10.3.1 Principles of Internal Qualities

In this chapter we have illustrated the use of the following techniques:

Divide and Conquer: Application of this principle has in this chapter been quite pronounced: the ‘divisions’ are those of first (i) the analysis & description of unique identification, then (ii) the analysis & description of mereologies, and then, finally, (iii) the analysis & description of attributes – and in that order. We have found, in numerous case studies [80], that any other “strict” order very often brings confusion!⁵⁴

Representational Abstract: Application of this principle has, in this chapter, been to the type definitions of unique identifiers, mereologies and attributes. For unique identifiers in that no representation need be prescribed. For mereologies in that all we are really interested in are which parts “partake” in part-to-part relations. For attributes we have not directed the domain analyser cum describer as how express possible attribute type expressions, and often we just identify an attribute type by its identifier.

4.10.3.2 Techniques of Internal Qualities

In this chapter we have illustrated the use of the following principles:

Invariants: We remind the reader of Item 50 on Page 8, and refer to Example 43 on Page 89: *Uniqueness of Road Net Identifiers*, Example 47 on Page 91: *Invariance of Road Nets* and Example 58 on Page 100: *Invariance of Road Net Traffic States*.

Intentional Pull : We remind the reader of Item 49 on Page 8, and refer to Example 65 on Page 113: *Intentional Pull, I* and Example 67 on Page 115: *Intentional Pull, II*.

4.10.3.3 Tools

4.10.3.3.1 Summary of The Internal Qualities Analysis Calculus

- **analyse_attribute_types** and Page 96
- **is_physical_attribute.** Page 108

4.10.3.3.2 Summary of The Internal Qualities Description Calculus

- **describe_unique_identifier,** Page 86
- **describe_mereology** and Page 91
- **describe_attributes.** Page 97

4.11 Bibliographical Notes

We refer to [70, Sect. 5.3] for a thorough, 2016–2017, five page review of types in formal specification and programming languages.

⁵⁴ “Eager-beaver”, inventive “whiz kids” are often caught up in their creativeness and muddles matters up, forgets careful and necessary analyses whose absence often shows up late, and much analysis & description work has to be redone !

4.12 Exercise Problems

4.12.1 Research Problems

Exercise 11 A Research Challenge. Fuzzy Descriptions: Experiment with, present examples, and, possibly, develop analysis & description prompts for Fuzzy attributes.

Exercise 12 A Research Challenge. Intentionality: Suggest possible intentions and possible intentional pulls for domains of artefacts, say as they are mentioned in the *Term Projects* section. Present possible examples. More generally, develop a theory of intentionality.

Exercise 13 A Research Challenge. Galois Connections: Study Galois Connections as, for example presented in [158, Ganter & Wille]. Then search for such connections with respect to internal qualities of pairs of different sort discrete endurants. Present examples. Suggest possible [?] analysis & description prompts.

Exercise 14 A PhD Student Problem. Living Species: Humans: Suggest an outline mereology and attribute concepts for humans.

Exercise 15 A PhD Student Problem. Michael Jackson's Categories of Attributes: Suggest a critique of Jackson's categories of attributes, cf. Sect. 4.4.2.3.

- Is Jackson's categorisation equally applicable to natural parts as well as to discrete artefacts ?
- Somehow or other, do discrete artefacts mandate a different categorisation ?
- Suggest a categorisation for discrete artefacts.

4.12.2 Student Exercises

Exercise 16 An MSc Student Exercise. Unique Document Identification: We refer to Exercise 3 on Page 81.

[Q1] you are to narrate and formalise unique identification for persons and documents. We refer to upcoming Exercises 17, 18 on the next page and Exercise 29 on Page 163.

Exercise 17 An MSc Student Exercise. Document System Mereologies: We refer to Exercises 3 on Page 81 and 16.

We anticipate and elaborate on the **actions** that Exercise 29 on Page 163 will be handling.

create: The thus created document shall record (i) the identity of its [person] creator, (ii) time of creation, and (iii) the text it now contains.

edit: The thus edited document shall record (i) the identity of its [person] editor, (ii) the time of edit, and (iii) the *changes* being made to the

- *master document*, whose text is τ_M ,
- being edited into the *edited document*, whose text is τ_E ,
- such that these changes can be “seen” – for example as follows:
 - ⊗ there is a “forward” editing function, e_F ,
 - ⊗ and an “undo” editing function, e_U ,
 - ⊗ such that the text now recorded, in the *edited document*, is $e_F(\tau_M)$,
 - ⊗ and such that $e_U(e_F(\tau_M)) = \tau_M$.

read: The thus read document shall record (i) the identity of its [person] reader and (ii) the time of read.

copy: As a result of a copy we now have one more document in our system: besides the document, the *original*, we now also have the *copy*.

The original document shall record (i) the identity of its [person] who had copied this document, (ii) the identity of the copy, and (iii) the time of copying.

The copy document shall record (i) the identity of its [person] who made this copy, (ii) the identity of the original document (from which it was made), and (iii) the time of copying.

shred: Let the identity of the document being shredded be d_l .

Whereas there was a document of that identity, i.e., d_l , there is, “officially”, no longer such a document.

But, since persons can talk about the historical existence of d_l , we may have to keep track of all shredded documents. See question [Q2] of Exercise 3 on Page 81.

Therefore documents in such a “shredded” document archive must record (i) the identity of the person who did the shredding and (ii) the time of shredding.

[Q1] you are to narrate and formalise mereologies for persons and documents.

We refer to upcoming Exercises 18 and 29 on Page 163.

Exercise 18 An MSc Student Exercise. Document System Attributes: We refer to Exercises 3 on Page 81 and 16 on the preceding page.

In addressing question [Q1] below you will have studied the indented text of Exercise 17 on the previous page.

[Q1] you are to narrate and formalise attributes for persons and documents.

We refer to upcoming Exercise 29 on Page 163.

Exercise 19 An MSc Student Exercise. A Simple Consumer–Bank–Retailer Credit Card System: The credit card system involves consumers, retailers banks and credit cards. A credit card is an attribute of consumers, one per consumer. Consumers have bank accounts, one per consumer. Retailers stock merchandise for sale, all merchandise are distinct, and have a price tag. Retailers have bank accounts, one per retailer. Banks hold accounts for consumers and retailers. Credit cards identify their [consumer] holder, one per credit card. Now to the problem to be solved. Please note item [g] before you start writing down your solutions.

You are to formulate [a] appropriate sorts for consumers, retailers and banks as parts; [b] appropriate sets of unique identifiers, mereologies and [c] attributes for consumers, retailers and banks; You are to express appropriate well-formedness conditions for [d] all mereologies and [e] all attributes. You are to express an intentional pull [f] relating the bank balances of consumers and retailers. While doing this, you are to [g] spot what might, inadvertently, have been left out in the above, first paragraphs ‘presentation’ of this, albeit simple consumer-retailer-bank credit card system.

4.12.3 Term Projects

We continue the term projects of Sect. 3.23.3 on Page 82.

For the specific domain topic that a group is working on it is to treat, for example, in separate weeks, these topics in the order listed:

- *unique identifiers*, cf. Sect. 4.2,
- *mereology*, cf. Sect. 4.3, and
- *attributes*, cf. Sect. 4.4, the latter possibly over two weeks.

Exercise 20 An MSc Student Exercise. The Consumer Market, Internal Qualities: We refer to Exercise 4 on Page 83. You are, in turn, to analyse and describe

- the unique identifiers,
- mereologies,

- a suitable sample of attributes, and
- possible intentional pulls

of consumer markets.

Exercise 21 An MSc Student Exercise. Financial Service Industry, Internal Qualities: We refer to Exercise 5 on Page 83. You are, in turn, to analyse and describe

- the unique identifiers,
- mereologies,
- a suitable sample of attributes, and
- possible intentional pulls

of financial service industries.

Exercise 22 An MSc Student Exercise. Container Line Industry, Internal Qualities: We refer to Exercise 6 on Page 83. You are, in turn, to analyse and describe

- the unique identifiers,
- mereologies,
- a suitable sample of attributes, and
- possible intentional pulls

of container lines.

Exercise 23 An MSc Student Exercise. Railway Systems, Internal Qualities: We refer to Exercise 7 on Page 83. You are, in turn, to analyse and describe

- the unique identifiers,
- mereologies,
- a suitable sample of attributes, and
- possible intentional pulls

of railway systems.

Exercise 24 A PhD Student Problem. Part-Material Conjoins: Canals, Internal Qualities: We refer to Example 8 on Page 83. You are, in turn, to analyse and describe

- the unique identifiers,
- mereologies,
- a suitable sample of attributes, and
- possible intentional pulls

of canal systems.

Exercise 25 A PhD Student Problem. Part-Materials Conjoins: Rum Production, Internal Qualities: We refer to Exercise 9 on Page 83. You are, in turn, to analyse and describe

- the unique identifiers,
- mereologies,
- a suitable sample of attributes, and
- possible intentional pulls

of rum production.

Exercise 26 A PhD Student Problem. Part-Materials Conjoins: Waste Management, Internal Qualities: We refer to Exercise 10 on Page 83. You are, in turn, to analyse and describe

- the unique identifiers,
- mereologies,
- a suitable sample of attributes, and
- possible intentional pulls

of waste management.

These exercise problems are continued in Sects. 6.14.3 on Page 163, 7.11.2 on Page 195 and 8.9.2 on Page 243.

TRANSCENDENTAL DEDUCTION

In this chapter we discuss the concept of transcendental deduction.

It should be clear to the reader that in **domain analysis & description** we are reflecting on a number of philosophical issues; first and foremost on those of *ontology*. For this chapter we reflect on a sub-field of epistemology, we reflect on issues of *transcendental* nature. Should you wish to follow-up on the concept of transcendental, we refer to [191, Immanuel Kant], [242, Oxford Companion to Philosophy, pp 878–880], [12, The Cambridge Dictionary of Philosophy, pp 807–810], [110, The Blackwell Dictionary of Philosophy, pp 54–55 (1998)], [348, Sørlander] and Chapter 1.

Definition: 66 Transcendental, II: By **transcendental** we shall understand the philosophical notion: **the a priori or intuitive basis of knowledge, independent of experience** ■

A priori knowledge or intuition is central: By a *a priori* we mean that it not only precedes, but also determines rational thought.

Definition: 67 Transcendental Deduction, II: By a **transcendental deduction** we shall understand the philosophical notion: **a transcendental “conversion” of one kind of knowledge into a seemingly different kind of knowledge** ■

Some Transcendental Deductions

Example 74 We give some intuitive examples of transcendental deductions. They are from the “domain” of programming languages. There is the syntax of a programming language, and there are the programs that supposedly adhere to this syntax. Given that, the following are now transcendental deductions.

The software tool, a syntax checker, that takes a program and checks whether it satisfies the syntax, including the statically decidable context conditions, i.e., the statics semantics – that tool is one of several forms of transcendental deductions.

The software tools, an automatic theorem prover¹ and a model checker, for example SPIN [241], that takes a program and some theorem, respectively a Promela statement, and proves, respectively checks, the program correct with respect the theorem, or the statement.

A compiler and an interpreter for any programming language.

Yes, indeed, any abstract interpretation [129, 96] reflects a transcendental deduction: firstly, these examples show that there are many transcendental deductions; secondly, they show that there is no single-most preferred transcendental deduction.

A transcendental deduction, crudely speaking, is just any abstraction that can be “linked” to another, not by logical necessity, but by logical (and philosophical) possibility !

Definition: 68 Transcendentality: By **transcendentality** we shall here mean the philosophical notion: the state or condition of being transcendental ■

Transcendentality

¹ ACL2 [258], Coq [28], Isabelle/HOL [299], STeP [93], PVS [303] and Z3 [94]

Example 75 We can speak of a bus in at least three *senses*:

- (i) The bus as it is being "maintained, serviced, refueled";
- (ii) the bus as it "speeds" down its route; and
- (iii) the bus as it "appears" (listed) in a bus time table.

The three *senses* are:

- (i) as an **endurant** (here a *part*),
- (ii) as a **perdurant** (as we shall see, a *behaviour*), and
- (iii) as an **attribute**². ■

The above example, we claim, reflects *transcendentality* as follows:

- (i) We have knowledge of an endurant (i.e., a part) being an endurant.
- (ii) We are then to assume that the perdurant referred to in (ii) is an aspect of the endurant mentioned in (i) – where perdurants are to be assumed to represent a different kind of knowledge.
- (iii) And, finally, we are to further assume that the attribute mentioned in (iii) is somehow related to both (i) and (ii) – where at least this attribute is to be assumed to represent yet a different kind of knowledge.

In other words: two (i–ii) kinds of different knowledge; that they relate *must indeed* be based on a *a priori knowledge*. Someone claims that they relate ! The two statements (i–ii) are claimed to relate transcendently.³

² – in this case rather: as a fragment of a bus time table *attribute*.

³ – the attribute statement was “thrown” in “for good measure”, i.e., to highlight the issue !

DOMAINS – Towards a Dynamics Ontology: **Perdurants**

*In this chapter we transcendently “morph” **parts** into **behaviours**. We analyse that notion and its constituent notions of **actors**, **channels** and **communication**, **actions** and **events**.*

The main transcendental deduction of this chapter is that of associating with each part a behaviour. This section shows the details of that association. Perdurants are understood in terms of a notion of *state* and a notion of *time*.

6.1 Structure of this Chapter

In order to culminate, in Sect. 6.7 we need to treat a number of pre-requisite topics. There are quite a few of these, so a summary-of-what-is-to-come seems reasonable.

- Section 6.2 covers primarily the notion of domain states in the form of CSP *variables* – one for each of the parts having monitorable attributes;
- Sect. 6.3 surveys the notions of actors, actions, events and behaviours;
- Sect. 6.4 discuss the modelling of concurrent domain behaviours in terms of CSP processes – with brief subsections on CSP and **Petri nets**;
- Sect. 6.5 then introduces the notions of CSP *channels*, *output* and *input* – to model interaction between domain behaviours;
- Sect. 6.6 discusses action, event and behaviour signatures in general;
- Sect. 6.7 is now ready to tackle the important issue of defining domain behaviours, including their signatures;
- Sect. 6.8 shows how to express the initialisation of a running domain behaviour;
- Sect. 6.10 loosely discusses the modelling of domain actions; while
- Sect. 6.11 briefly touches upon the modelling of domain events.
- Finally Sect. 6.12 follows up on the *domain discovery process* of Sects. 3.19 and 4.8.

Other sections provide elucidation or summary observations.

6.2 States and Time

We first covered the notions of state in Sects. 1.3.2.7 on Page 14 and 3.18 on Page 73 and time in Sect. 2.5 on Page 24.

6.2.1 The Issue of States

Example 39 on Page 74 illustrated the idea of expressing the values of all parts having dynamic attributes.

We refer to [176] and Appendix Sect. D.6.2 on Page 325.

RSL variables of the form:

variable parts[uid_P(p)]:P := p

⁰ The ‘Dynamics’ refer back to ‘DOMAINS’ – not to ‘Ontology’ !

are to be declared to model parts that have monitorable attributes; informally:

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value
  has_monitorable_attributes:  $P \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$ 
  has_monitorable_attributes( $p$ )  $\equiv$ 
     $\exists A \cdot A \in \text{analyse\_attributes\_types}(p) \cdot \text{is\_monitorable}(\text{attr\_A}(p))$ 

  possible_variable_declaration:  $P \rightarrow \text{RSL-Text}$ 
  possible_variable_declaration( $p$ )  $\equiv$ 
    if has_monitorable_attributes( $p$ ) then “variable  $p[\text{uid\_P}(p)]:P := p$ ” end

```

analyse_attribute_types is defined in domain analysis function prompt 12 on Page 96.

declaring_all_monitorable_variables

Translation Schema 1 When we have ‘collected’ all external endurant descriptions

246 we can, for any given endurant, e , typically a *universe of discourse* domain,
 247 calculate_all relevant monitorable-variable declarations;
 248 that is, for those parts, p ,
 249 that have monitorable-only attributes.

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247. declaring_all_monitorable_variables:  $E \rightarrow \text{RSL-Text}$ 
247. declaring_all_monitorable_variables( $e$ )  $\equiv$ 
248.   let  $ps = \text{calc\_parts}(e)$  in
248.   for  $\forall p \cdot p \in ps$  do possible_variable_declaration( $p$ )
247.   end end

```

State Values versus State Variables

Example 76 Item 132 on Page 74 expresses the **value** of all parts of a road transport system:

132. $ps:(\text{UoB|H|L|BC|B|A})\text{-set} \equiv rtsUhl sUbc sUbsUas.$

250 We now introduce the set of variables, one for each part value of the domain being modelled.

250. { **variable** $vp:(\text{UoB|H|L|BC|B|A}) \mid vp:(\text{UoB|H|L|BC|B|A}) \cdot vp \in ps$ }

6.2.2 Time Considerations

We shall, without loss of generality, assume that actions and events are atomic and that behaviours are composite. Atomic perdurants may “occur” during some time interval, but we omit consideration of and concern for what actually goes on during such an interval. Composite perdurants can be analysed into “constituent” actions, events and “sub-behaviours”. We shall also omit consideration of temporal properties of behaviours. Instead we shall refer to two seminal monographs: *Specifying Systems* [263, Leslie Lamport] and *Duration Calculus: A Formal Approach to Real-Time Systems* [380, Zhou ChaoChen and Michael Reichhardt Hansen] (and [41, Chapter 15]). For a seminal book on “time in computing” we refer to the eclectic [156, Mandrioli et al., 2012]. And for seminal book on time at the epistemology level we refer to [353, J. van Benthem, 1991].

6.3 Actors, Actions, Events and Behaviours: A Preview

To us perdurants are further, pragmatically, analysed into *actions*, *events*, and *behaviours*. We shall define these terms below. Common to all of them is that they potentially change a state. Actions and events are here considered atomic perdurants. For behaviours we distinguish between discrete and continuous behaviours.

6.3.1 Actors

Definition: 69 Actor: By an *actor* we shall understand something that is capable of *initiating* and *carrying out* actions, events and behaviours ■

The notion of “*carrying out*” will be made clear in this overall chapter. We shall, in principle, associate an actor with each part¹. These actors will be described as behaviours. These behaviours evolve around a state. The state is the set of qualities, in particular the dynamic attributes, of the associated parts and/or any possible components or materials of the parts.

6.3.2 Discrete Actions

Definition: 70 Discrete Action: By a *discrete action* [366, Wilson and Shpall] we shall understand a foreseeable thing which deliberately and potentially changes a well-formed state, in one step, usually into another, still well-formed state, and for which an actor can be made responsible ■

An action is what happens when a function invocation changes, or potentially changes a state.

6.3.3 Discrete Events

Definition: 71 Event: By an *event* we shall understand some unforeseen thing, that is, some ‘not-planned-for’ “action”, one which surreptitiously, non-deterministically changes a well-formed state into another, but usually not a well-formed state, and for which no particular domain actor can be made responsible ■

Events can be characterised by a pair of (before and after) states, a predicate over these and, optionally, a *time* or *time interval*.

We shall use the RSL concepts of *clauses*, i.e., *expressions* and *statements* to model actions. We shall use the CSP concepts of *channels* and *channel communication*, i.e., *message output*: $ch[. .] ! e$ and *message input*: $ch[. .] ?$ to model events. The notion of event continues to puzzle philosophers [141, 327, 285, 136, 192, 13, 114, 315, 113].

6.3.4 Discrete Behaviours

Definition: 72 Discrete Behaviour: By a *discrete behaviour* we shall understand a set of sequences of potentially interacting sets of discrete actions, events and behaviours ■

Discrete behaviours now become the *focal point* of our investigation. To every part we associate, by transcendental deduction, a behaviour. We shall express these behaviours as CSP *processes* [238]. For those behaviours we must therefore establish their means of *communication* via *channels*; their *signatures*; and their *definitions* – as *translated* from enduring parts.

Behaviours

Example 77 In Fig. 6.5 on Page 137 we “symbolically”, i.e., the “...”, show the following parts: each individual hub, each individual link, each individual bus company, each individual bus, and each individual automobile – and all of these.

¹ This is an example of a *transcendental deduction*.

The idea is that those are the parts for which we shall define behaviours. That figure, however, and in contrast to Fig. 6.5 on Page 137, shows the composite parts as not containing their atomic parts, but as if they were “free-standing, atomic” parts. That shall visualise the transcendental interpretation as atomic part behaviours not being somehow embedded in composite behaviours, but operating concurrently, in parallel ■

6.3.5 Continuous Behaviours

By a **continuous behaviour** we shall understand a *continuous time* sequence of *state changes*. We shall not go into what may cause these *state changes*. And we shall not go into continuous behaviours in this monograph.

6.4 Modelling Concurrent Behaviours

We choose to exploit the CSP [238] subset of RSL since CSP is a suitable vehicle for expressing suitably abstract synchronisation and communication between behaviours. (In Sect. 6.4.2 on Page 132 we bring, as an informative aside, *The Petri Net Story*.)

The mereology of domain parts induces channel declarations.

CSP channels are loss-free. That is: two CSP processes, of which one offers and the other offers to accept a message do so synchronously and without forgetting that message. To model actual, so-called “real-life” communication via queues or allowing “channels” to forget, then you must model that explicitly in CSP. We refer to [238, 336, 340].

6.4.1 The CSP Story

CSP is a wonderful tool, i.e., a language with which to study and describe *communicating sequential processes*. It is the invention of *Charles Anthony Richard Hoare*. Major publications on CSP are [237, 239, 238, 336, 340].

6.4.1.1 Informal Presentation

CSP processes (models of domain behaviours) P_i, P_j, \dots, P_k can proceed in parallel:

$$P_i \parallel P_j \parallel \dots \parallel P_k$$

Behaviours sometimes synchronise and usually communicate. Synchronisation and communication is abstracted as the sending ($ch ! m$) and receipt ($ch ?$) of messages, $m:M$, over channels, ch .

type M
channel $ch:M$

Communication between (unique identifier) indexed behaviours have their channels modelled as similarly indexed channels:

out: $ch[idx]!m$
in: $ch[idx]?$
channel $\{ch[ide]:M|ide:IDE\}$

where IDE typically is some type expression over unique identifier types.

The expression

$$P_i \sqcap P_j \sqcap \dots \sqcap P_k$$

can be understood as a choice: either P_i , or P_j , or ... or P_k as *non-deterministically internally* chosen with no stipulation as to why!

The expression

$$P_i \square P_j \square \dots \square P_k$$

can be understood as a choice: either P_i , or P_j , or ... or P_k as *deterministically externally* chosen on the basis that the one chosen offers to participate in either an input, $ch?$, or an output, $ch!msg$, event. If more than one P_j offers a communication then one is arbitrarily chosen. If no P_i offers a communication the behaviour halts till some P_j offers a communication.

6.4.1.2 A Syntax for CSP

We present the syntax for the CSP used in RSL.

$P ::= \text{stop}$	
$\quad \text{skip}$	
$\quad P \parallel P$	parallel composition (interleave)
$\quad P \square P$	internal non-deterministic choice
$\quad P \sqcap P$	external non-deterministic choice
$\quad P ; P$	sequential composition
$\quad \text{if } B \text{ then } P \text{ else } P \text{ end}$	Boolean conditional
$\quad \text{let } v = ch? \text{ in } \dots \text{ end}$	input value v on channel ch
$\quad ch!e ; P$	output value of expression e on channel ch

6.4.1.3 Disciplined Uses of CSP

In connection with domain modelling, which uses of CSP appear to be meaningful? To understand our answer let us consider the following. As suggested in Chapters 3–4 the domain of endurants consists of a number of parts, some atomic, some compounded, that is, consisting of a part (a “root”) and a number of proper sub-parts (its “siblings”). With Chapter 5 we shall consider each and every part to also represent a behaviour, that is, with sub-parts representing behaviours not “embedded” in “root” part behaviours, but, in a “first approximation” only bound to their roots by mutual mereologies.

This is a **modelling decision**. We could have chosen a more elaborate one; one that, from the days of Algol 60 [257] was in line with the so-called ‘*block structure*’ concept. But have chosen not to!

Buses and Bus Companies

Example 78 We refer to Example ?? on Page ?. A bus company is like a “root” for its fleet of “sibling” buses. But a bus company may cease to exist without the buses therefore necessarily also ceasing to exist. They may continue to operate, probably illegally, without, possibly, a valid bus driving certificate. Or they may be passed on to either private owners or to other bus companies. We use this example as a reason for not endowing a “block structure” concept on behaviours.

So there we are. With a collection of part and sub-part behaviours that need communicate “across” and “within” compounds. To do so they avail themselves of *channels*, $ch[i,j]$, *output*, $ch[i,j]!e$ and *input*, $ch[i,j]?$. The general situation is then that a number of behaviours, P_i and Q_j , wishes to synchronise and communicate. The general, *disciplined* form for doing so can be schematically expressed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(i, ujs, \dots)(\dots) &\equiv \\
 &\dots \\
 &\boxtimes \{ ch[i,j]!e ; \dots \mid j: UI \bullet j \in \dots \} ; \\
 &\dots ; \\
 &P(i, ujs, \dots)(\dots) \\
 \\
 Q(j, uis, \dots)(\dots) &\equiv \\
 &\dots \\
 &\boxtimes \{ \text{let } v = ch[i,j]? \text{ in } \dots \text{ end} \mid i: UI \bullet i \in uis \} ; \\
 &\dots \\
 &Q(j, uis, \dots)(\dots)
 \end{aligned}$$

The \boxtimes operator is either \square , or \sqcap , or \sqcup . We shall abstain from further ‘advice’ on the use of CSP but refer to either [39, Software Engineering 2, Chapter 21] (*Concurrent Specification Programming*) or standard CSP textbooks [237, 239, 238, 336, 340]. We shall take up this line of inquiry in Sect. 6.7.10 on Page 148 – *A Suggested Behaviour Definition 2* on Page 149.

6.4.2 The Petri Net Story

Petri nets² are a wonderful concept first invented by *Carl Adam Petri* [314]. It is intended to model a class of *discrete event dynamic systems*. A *Petri net* is a *directed bipartite graph*, in which some *nodes* (traditionally represented by bars) represent **transitions** (i.e. *events*) that may occur, and other nodes represent **places** (i.e. *conditions*, traditionally represented by *circles*). The **directed arcs** describe which *places* are *pre-* and/or *post-conditions* for which **transitions** (signified by *arrows*). We shall basically recommend the Petri net books by *Wolfgang Reisig*, some of which are [328, 329, 332, 333] – notably [333].

6.4.2.1 Informal Presentation

Figure 6.1 shows a simplest form of *Petri Net*. Let us focus on the left net. The labeled circles designate **places**. The labeled thick, black bar designate a **transition**. The arrows, \longrightarrow , designate (*flow*) **arcs** and are labeled with a numeral, designating a natural number larger than 0. Inside the places we show 2, 2, respectively 0 **tokens**. Their **constellation** is also called a **marking**. In general, any composition of places, transitions, markings and labels such that arcs emanating from a place are incident upon transitions and such that arcs emanation from transitions are incident upon places, form a syntactically meaningful *Petri net*, also called a **Place-Transition Net**, PTN.

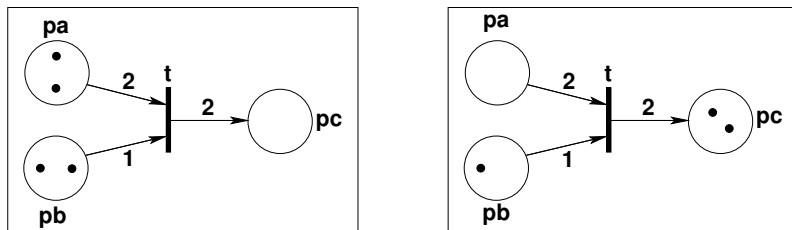


Fig. 6.1. Two Petri Nets: Before and after **Firing**

Let us start by focusing on the left *Petri net*. The meaning of the number of tokens in places, the transition input arc labels, and the transition output arc labels are as follows: If the respective transition input arc labels can be satisfied by the respective number of tokens in source places then a **firing** can take place. After a firing the Petri net has a new **constellation**.

The following (two-and-a-quarter pages)³ was written by Christian Krogh Madsen (around 2004)⁴

6.4.2.2 An Example – Christian Krogh Madsen

Critical Resource Sharing

² The term Petri net stands for the ‘language’ of *Petri nets*. A *Petri net* is an instance of the language of *Petri nets*

³ – an *An Example* and *An RSL Model of Petri nets*.

⁴ Christian Krogh Madsen devised and wrote Chapters 12–14: *Petri Nets*, *Message and Live Sequence Charts*, and *Statecharts* in [40, Pages 315–508].

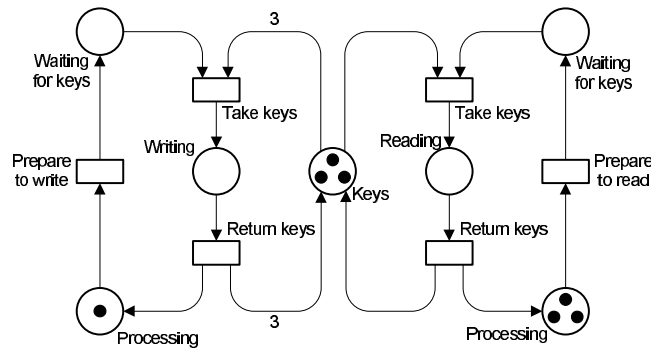


Fig. 6.2. Critical resource sharing

Example 79 Figure 6.2 shows an example PTN modelling four processes that access a common critical resource. One process writes to the resource, while the other three processes read from the resource. To ensure data integrity, mutual exclusion must be enforced between the writing process and the reading processes. The protocol for mutual exclusion requires a reading process to claim a key before it may read, while the writing process is required to claim three keys before it may write. A process that cannot get the required number of keys must wait until more keys become available. The place *Keys* holds a token for each key that is unused. When a process finishes reading or writing it returns the claimed keys to the place *Keys* and proceeds to do some processing that does not access the critical resource.

6.4.2.3 An RSL Model of Petri nets – Christian Krogh Madsen

6.4.2.3.1 Syntax of Petri nets

We first formalise a syntax and then a static semantics for Petri nets, as PTN (for place-transition net), with finite capacity places.

- A place transition net consists of a set of places with associated capacities, a set of transitions, a preset, a postset and a marking.
- Only well-formed PTNs will be considered.
- Places and transitions are further unspecified entities.
- Presets are a mapping from transitions to sets of pairs of places and weights.
- Postsets are a mapping from transitions to sets of pairs of places and weights.
- A marking is a mapping of places to marks.
- A mark is a non-negative integer.

type

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PTN} &= \{ | \text{ptn} : \text{PTN}' \cdot \text{wf_PTN}(\text{ptn}) \} \\ \text{PTN}' &= (\text{Place} \xrightarrow{\text{m}} \text{Nat}) \times \text{Trans-set} \times \text{Preset} \times \text{Postset} \times \text{Marking} \\ \text{Place} & \\ \text{Trans} & \\ \text{Preset} &= \text{Trans} \xrightarrow{\text{m}} (\text{Place} \times \text{Nat})\text{-set} \\ \text{Postset} &= \text{Trans} \xrightarrow{\text{m}} (\text{Place} \times \text{Nat})\text{-set} \\ \text{Marking} &= \text{Place} \xrightarrow{\text{m}} \text{Nat} \end{aligned}$$

6.4.2.3.2 A Static Semantics

- A PTN is well-formed if:

- 1-2 every transition in the set of transitions is included in the domain of the maps of presets and postsets, and
- 3 every place is in the pre- or postset of some transition, and
- 4 every transition has a non-empty preset or postset, and
- 5 no transition can have a preset or postset that includes the same place more than once with different weights, and
- 6 the marking covers all places, and
- 7 for every place the number of tokens assigned to it in the marking must be at most equal to the capacity of the place.

value

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wf_PTN : PTN' → Bool
wf_PTN(ps, ts, pres, posts, mark) ≡
[1] dom pres = ts ∧
[2] dom posts = ts ∧
[3] {p | p:Place •
      ∃ pns: (Place×Nat)-set, n:Nat •
        (p,n) ∈ pns ∧ pns ∈ rng pres ∪ rng posts} = dom ps ∧
[4] (∀ t:Trans • t ∈ ts ⇒ pres(t) ∪ posts(t) ≠ {}) ∧
[5] (∀ t:Trans •
      ∼(∃ n1, n2 : Nat, p : Place •
        n1 ≠ n2 ∧ p ∈ dom ps ∧
        {(p,n1), (p,n2)} ⊆ pres(t) ∨
        {(p,n1), (p,n2)} ⊆ posts(t)))) ∧
[6] dom mark = dom ps ∧
[7] (∀ p:Place • p ∈ dom ps ⇒ mark(p) ≤ ps(p))

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6.4.2.3.3 A Dynamic Semantics

We formalise the dynamic aspects of PTN, namely what it means for a transition to be activated and for a transition to occur.

- A transition is activated:
 - ⊗ if for every place in its preset there are at least as many tokens as the weight of the corresponding arrow, and
 - ⊗ if for every place in its postset the number of tokens at that place added to the weight of the corresponding arrow is at most equal to the capacity of the place.
- The occurrence of an activated transition produces a new marking
 - ⊗ in which the number of tokens at each of the places in the preset is reduced by the weight of the corresponding arrow, and
 - ⊗ in which the number of tokens at each of the places in the postset is increased by the weight of the corresponding arrow.

value

```

activated: Trans×PTN → Bool
activated(t,ptn) ≡
  let (ps,ts,pres,posts,mark) = ptn in
    (∀ p:Place,n:Nat • (p,n) ∈ pres(t) ⇒ mark(p) ≥ n) ∧
    (∀ p:Place,n:Nat • (p,n) ∈ posts(t) ⇒ mark(p)+n ≤ ps(p))
  end
pre let (ps,ts,pres,posts,mark) = ptn in t ∈ ts end

```

```

occur: Trans $\times$ PTN  $\leadsto$  PTN
occur(t,ptn)  $\equiv$ 
  let (ps,ts,pres,posts,mark) = ptn in
    (ps,ts,pres,posts,
     mark  $\dagger$ 
     [p  $\mapsto$  mark(p)-n | p:Place,n:Nat  $\cdot$  (p,n)  $\in$  pres(t)]  $\dagger$ 
     [p  $\mapsto$  mark(p)+n | p:Place,n:Nat  $\cdot$  (p,n)  $\in$  posts(t)])
  end
pre activated(t,ptn)

```

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6.4.2.4 Petri Nets and Domain Science & Engineering – A Research Topic ?

We shall not, in this monograph, deal further with Petri nets ! So why bring this overall section at all ? We bring it because with Petri nets one can model *true concurrency*. With CSP we model only *interleaved concurrency*, that is, no two or more events can be modelled, in CSP, to truly occur simultaneously. With Petri nets they can ! We also bring it so that the reader is properly informed. CSP is a textual ‘language’ where Petri nets is a graphical ‘language’. Some people are more gifted with respect to the former, other people more with respect to the latter; few are equally at ease with both ‘notations’.

We suggest, as a research topic to study possible combinations of Petri net and RSL specifications, for example with cross-annotations where RSL formula refer to *Petri net* places and transitions, and where *Petri net* places and transitions, refer to RSL formula. Or, whatever springs to mind ?

6.5 Channels and Communication

6.5.1 From Mereologies to Channel Declarations

The fact that a part p of sort P with unique identifier p_i , has a mereology, for example the set of unique identifiers $\{q_a, q_b, \dots, q_d\}$ identifying parts $\{q_a, q_b, \dots, q_d\}$ of sort Q , may mean that parts p and $\{q_a, q_b, \dots, q_d\}$ may wish to exchange – for example, attribute – values, one way (from p to the q_s) or the other (vice versa) or in both directions.

Figure 6.3 shows two dotted rectangle box diagrams.

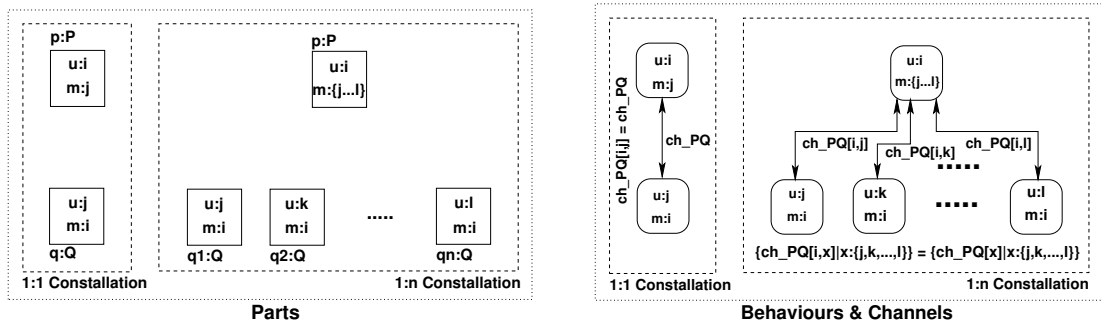


Fig. 6.3. Respective Part and Behaviour/Channel Constellations. $u:p$ unique id. $p:m:p$ mereology p

The left fragment of Fig. 6.3 intends to show a 1:1 Constellation of a single $p:P$ box and a single $q:Q$ part, respectively, indicating, within these parts, their unique identifiers and mereologies. The right fragment of the figure intends to show a 1:n Constellation of a single $p:P$ box and a set of $q:Q$ parts,

now with arrowed lines connecting the p part with the q parts. These lines are intended to show channels. We show them with two way arrows. We could instead have chosen one way arrows, in one or the other direction. The directions are intended to show a direction of value transfer. We have given the same channel names to all examples, ch_PQ . We have ascribed channel message types MPQ to all channels.⁵ Figure 6.4 shows an arrangement similar to that of Fig. 6.3 on the previous page, but for an $m:n$ Constellation.

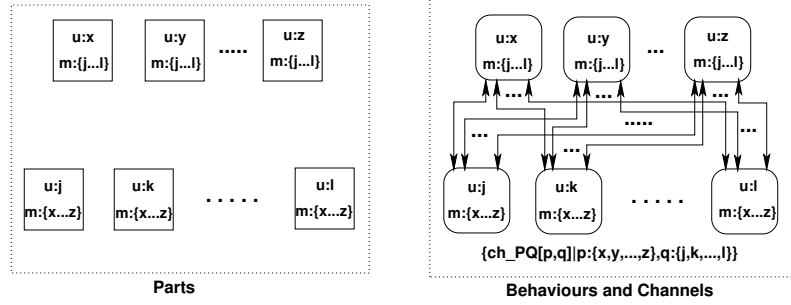


Fig. 6.4. Multiple Part and Channel Arrangements: $u:p$ unique id. p ; $m:p$ mereology p

The channel declarations corresponding to Figs. 6.3 and 6.4 are:

```

channel
[1]   ch_PQ[i,j]:MPQ
[2]   { ch_PQ[i,x]:MPQ | x:{j,k,...,l} }
[3]   { ch_PQ[p,q]:MPQ | p:{x,y,...,z}, q:{j,k,...,l} }

```

Since there is only one index i and j for channel [1], its declaration can be reduced. Similarly there is only one i for declaration [2]:

```

channel
[1]   ch_PQ:MPQ
[2]   { ch_PQ[x]:MPQ | x:{j,k,...,l} }

```

251 The following description identities holds:

251 { $ch_PQ[x]:MPQ \mid x:\{j,k,...,l\}$ } $\equiv ch_PQ[j], ch_PQ[k], ..., ch_PQ[l],$

251 { $ch_PQ[p,q]:MPQ \mid p:\{x,y,...,z\}, q:\{j,k,...,l\}$ } \equiv

251 $ch_PQ[x,j], ch_PQ[x,k], ..., ch_PQ[x,l],$

251 $ch_PQ[y,j], ch_PQ[y,k], ..., ch_PQ[y,l],$

251 ...,

251 $ch_PQ[z,j], ch_PQ[z,k], ..., ch_PQ[z,l]$

We can sketch a diagram similar to Figs. 6.3 on the preceding page and 6.4 for the case of composite parts.

6.5.2 Channel Declarations

We can simplify the general treatment of channel declarations. Basically all we can say, for any domain, is that any two distinct part behaviours may need to communicate. Therefore we declare a vector of channels indexed by sets of two distinct part identifiers.

channel { $ch[\{ij,ik\}] \mid ij,ik:UI \cdot \{ij,ik\} \subseteq all_uniq_ids() \wedge ij \neq ik$ } M

⁵ Of course, these names and types would have to be distinct for any one domain description.

Initially we shall leave the type of messages over channels further undefined. As we, laboriously, work through the definition of behaviours, Sect. 6.7, we shall be able to make M precise. `all_uniq_ids` was defined in Sect. 4.2.4 on Page 87.

In preparation for the next example we show Figure 6.5. In that example we shall however refine the channel declaration indices to two element sets of unique identifiers from specific part identifier types.

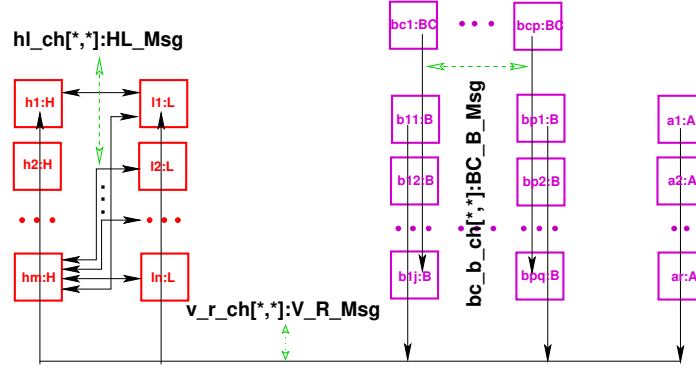


Fig. 6.5. Atomic Behaviours

Channels

Example 80 We shall argue for hub-to-link channels based on the mereologies of those parts. Hub parts may be topologically connected to any number, 0 or more, link parts. Only instantiated road nets knows which. Hence there must be channels between any hub behaviour and any link behaviour. Vice versa: link parts will be connected to exactly two hub parts. Hence there must be channels from any link behaviour to two hub behaviours. See the figure above.

Channel Message Types:

We ascribe types to the messages offered on channels.

- 252 Hubs and links communicate, both ways, with one another, over channels, `hl_ch`, whose indexes are determined by their mereologies.
- 253 Hubs send one kind of messages, links another.
- 254 Bus companies offer timed bus time tables to buses, one way.
- 255 Buses and automobiles offer their current, timed positions to the road element, hub or link they are on, one way.

type

- 253 `H_L_Msg`, `L_H_Msg`
- 252 `HL_Msg` = `H_L_Msg` | `L_H_Msg`
- 254 `BC_B_Msg` = `T` × `BusTimTbl`
- 255 `V_R_Msg` = `T` × (`BPos`|`APos`)

Channel Declarations:

- 256 This justifies the channel declaration which is calculated to be:

channel

- 256 { `hl_ch[h_ui,l_ui]:H_L_Msg`
 256 | `h_ui:H_UI,l_ui:L_UI` | $i \in h_{ui}s \wedge j \in lh_{ui}m(h_ui)$ }
- 256 ∪
- 256 { `hl_ch[h_ui,l_ui]:L_H_Msg`
 256 | `h_ui:H_UI,l_ui:L_UI` | $i \in lh_{ui}s \wedge j \in lh_{ui}m(l_ui)$ }

We shall argue for bus company-to-bus channels based on the mereologies of those parts. Bus companies need communicate to all its buses, but not the buses of other bus companies. Buses of a bus company need communicate to their bus company, but not to other bus companies.

257 This justifies the channel declaration which is calculated to be:

channel

257 { $bc_b_ch[bc_ui, b_ui] \mid bc_ui:BC_UI, b_ui:B_UI$
 257 • $bc_ui \in bc_uis \wedge b_ui \in b_uis$ } : BC_B_Msg

We shall argue for vehicle to road element channels based on the mereologies of those parts. Buses and automobiles need communicate to all hubs and all links.

258 This justifies the channel declaration which is calculated to be:

channel

258 { $v_r_ch[v_ui, r_ui] \mid v_ui:V_UI, r_ui:R_UI$
 258 • $v_ui \in v_uis \wedge r_ui \in r_uis$ } : V_R_Msg

The channel calculations are described on Pages 141–142 ■

6.6 Signatures – In General

We shall treat perdurants as function invocations. In our cursory overview of perdurants we shall now focus on one perdurant quality: function signatures.

Definition: 73 Function Signature: By a *function signature* we shall understand a *function name* and a *function type expression* ■

Definition: 74 Function Type Expression: By a *function type expression* we shall understand a pair of type expressions. separated by a *function type constructor* either \rightarrow (for *total function*) or \leadsto (for *partial function*) ■

The *type expressions* are part sort or type, or material sort or type, or attribute type names, but may, occasionally be expressions over respective type names involving **-set**, \times , $*$, \overline{m} and $|$ type constructors.

6.6.1 Action Signatures and Definitions

Actors usually provide their initiated actions with arguments, say of type VAL. Hence the schematic function (action) signature and schematic definition:

action: $VAL \rightarrow \Sigma \leadsto \Sigma$
 action(v)(σ) as σ'
 pre: $\mathcal{P}(v, \sigma)$
 post: $\mathcal{Q}(v, \sigma, \sigma')$

expresses that a selection of the domain state, as designated by the Σ type expression, is acted upon and possibly changed. The partial function type operator \leadsto shall indicate that $\text{action}(v)(\sigma)$ may not be defined for the argument, i.e., initial state σ and/or the argument $v:VAL$, hence the precondition $\mathcal{P}(v, \sigma)$. The post condition $\mathcal{Q}(v, \sigma, \sigma')$ characterises the “after” state, $\sigma':\Sigma$, with respect to the “before” state, $\sigma:\Sigma$, and possible arguments ($v:VAL$). Which could be the argument values, $v:VAL$, of actions? Well, there can basically be only the following kinds of argument values: parts, components and materials, respectively unique part identifiers, mereologies and attribute values.

Perdurant (action) analysis thus proceeds as follows: identifying relevant actions, assigning names to these, delineating the “smallest” relevant state⁶, ascribing signatures to action functions, and determining action pre-conditions and action post-conditions. Of these, ascribing signatures is the most crucial: In the process of determining the action signature one oftentimes discovers that part or component or material attributes have been left (“so far”) “undiscovered”.

6.6.2 Event Signatures and Definitions:

Events are usually characterised by the absence of known actors and the absence of explicit “external” arguments. Hence the schematic function (event) signature:

value

event: $\Sigma \times \Sigma \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbf{Bool}$
 event(σ, σ') as **tf**
 pre: $P(\sigma)$
 post: $\mathbf{tf} = Q(\sigma, \sigma')$

The event signature expresses that a selection of the domain as designated by the Σ type expression is “acted” upon, by unknown actors, and possibly changed. The partial function type operator $\xrightarrow{\sim}$ shall indicate that **event**(σ, σ') may not be defined for some states σ . The resulting state may, or may not, satisfy axioms and well-formedness conditions over Σ – as expressed by the post condition $Q(\sigma, \sigma')$.

Events may thus cause well-formedness of states to fail. Subsequent actions, once actors discover such “disturbing events”, are therefore expected to remedy that situation, that is, to restore well-formedness. We shall not illustrate this point.

6.6.3 Behaviour Signatures

We shall only cover behaviour signatures when expressed in RSL/CSP [176]. The behaviour functions are now called processes. That a behaviour function is a never-ending function, i.e., a process, is “revealed” by the “trailing” **Unit**:

behaviour: $\dots \rightarrow \dots \mathbf{Unit}$

That a process takes no argument is “revealed” by a “leading” **Unit**:

behaviour: $\mathbf{Unit} \rightarrow \dots$

That a process accepts channel, viz.: **ch**, inputs, is “revealed” as follows:

behaviour: $\dots \rightarrow \mathbf{in\ ch\ } \dots$

That a process offers channel, viz.: **ch**, outputs is “revealed” as follows:

behaviour: $\dots \rightarrow \mathbf{out\ ch\ } \dots$

That a process accepts other arguments is “revealed” as follows:

behaviour: $\mathbf{ARG} \rightarrow \dots$

where **ARG** can be any type expression:

$T, T \rightarrow T, T \rightarrow T \rightarrow T$, et cetera

where **T** is any type expression.

⁶ By “smallest” we mean: containing the fewest number of parts. Experience shows that the domain analyser cum describer should strive for identifying the smallest state.

6.6.4 Attribute Access, An Interpretation

We shall only be concerned with part attributes. And we shall here consider them in the context of part behaviours. Part behaviour definitions embody part attributes.

- **Static attributes** designate constants. As such they can be “compiled” into behaviour definitions. We choose, thus, to bring static attribute values as explicit behaviour arguments.
- **Monitorable-only attributes** designate time-varying values whose values we choose to access in the following manner:
 - ∞ $\text{attr_A}(p)$
where p is a part in the global state, cf. Sect. 3.18 on Page 73.
- **Biddable attributes** designate time-varying values whose values we choose to access, respectively biddably **update** in the following manner:
 - ∞ $\text{attr_A}(p)$
 - ∞ $\text{update}(\text{attr_A}, a, p)$
where p is a part in the global state. We shall informally explain the **update** functional below.
- **Programmable attribute** values are calculated by their behaviours. We list them as behaviour arguments. The behaviour definitions may then specify new values. These are provided in the position of the programmable attribute arguments in *tail recursive* invocations of these behaviours.

6.6.4.1 The update Functional

The generic **update** function is explained very informally:

- [1] **update**: $(P \rightarrow A) \times A \times P \rightarrow P$
- [2] $\text{update}(\text{attr_A}, a, p) \equiv p'$
- [3] **pre** $A \in \text{analyse_attributes}(p) \wedge \text{parts}[\text{uid_P}(p)]$ is declared $\wedge \dots$
- [4] **post** $\text{attr_A}(p') \approx a \wedge \dots$

[1] The first argument is the observe attribute function, the second argument is the attribute value, the third argument is the part, p , being **updated**.

[2] The result of applying the **update** function is a part, p' .

[3] The pre-condition is that the attribute type, A , is amongst the attributes of the part, that part p is in the global state, i.e., has been declared as a variable, and more !

[4] The post-condition is that the **updated** attribute of p' approximates the argument attribute value, and “much, much more”.

The “much, much more” refers to the following: the unique identifier of p' is that of p ; the mereology of p' is that of p ; all other attribute values of p' are those of p ; and no other part has changed values.

The above amounts to a “storage model”, i.e., a model of domain state variables akin to the storage models put forward first in [26, Bekič and Walk, 1971], see also [22, Bekič, Bjørner, Henhapl, Jones and Lucas, 1974], then in [40, Sect. 8.7.1, Bjørner, 2006].

In the context of domain models we shall (later) introduced an array, **parts**, of variables global to an entire domain description. For each physical part, p , with unique identifier, π , there will be a corresponding array element: $\text{parts}[\pi]$. To obtain a monitorable attribute A value for part p

- is thus expressed as $\text{attr_A}(\text{parts}[\pi])$.

To update a monitorable attribute A to value $a:A$ for part p

- is correspondingly expressed as $\text{update}(\text{attr_A}, a, \text{parts}[\pi])$.

6.6.4.2 Calculating In/Output Channel Signatures:

259 The function `calc_i_o_chn_refs` apply to parts and yield RSL-Text.

- a From `p` we calculate its unique identifier value and its mereology value.
- b If the mereology is not void then a (Currying⁷) right pointing arrow, \rightarrow , is inserted.⁸
- c If there is an input mereology then the keyword **in** is inserted in front of the input mereology;
- d similarly for the **input/output** mereology;
- e and for the **output** mereology.

value

259 `calc_i_o_chn_refs: P \rightarrow RSL-Text`

259 `calc_i_o_chn_refs(p) \equiv ;`

259a `let ui = uid_P(p), (ics,iocs,ocs) = obs_mereo_(p) in`

259b `if ics \cup iocs \cup ocs \cup atrvs \neq {} then “ \rightarrow ” end ;`

259c `if ics \neq {} then “in” calc_chn_refs(ui,ics) end ;`

259d `if iocs \neq {} then “in,out” calc_chn_refs(ui,iocs) end ;`

259e `if ocs \neq {} then “out” calc_chn_refs(ui,ochs) end end`

260 The function `calc_chn_refs`

- a apply to a pair, (ui,uis) of a unique part identifier type name and a set of unique part identifier type names and yield RSL-Text.
- b If uis is empty no text is generated. Otherwise an array channel declaration is generated.

260a `calc_chn_refs: P_UI \times Q_UI-set \rightarrow RSL-Text`

260b `calc_chn_refs(pui,quis) \equiv`

260b `{ “(pui,qui)_ch[pui,qui]” | qui:Q_UI \cdot qui \in quis }`

261 The function `calc_all_chn_dcls`

- a apply to a pair, (pui,quis) of a unique part identifier and a set of unique part identifiers and yield RSL-Text.
- b If quis is empty no text is generated. Otherwise an array channel declaration
 - { $\llcorner \eta$ (pui,qui)_ch[pui,qui]: η (pui,qui)M \gg | qui:Q_UI \cdot qui \in quis } is generated.

261a `calc_all_chn_dcls: P_UI \times Q_UI-set \rightarrow RSL-Text`

261a `calc_all_chn_dcls(pui,quis) \equiv`

261a `{ “(pui,qui)_ch[pui,qui]:M” | qui:Q_UI \cdot qui \in quis }`

The “(pui,qui)” invocation serves to name both the channel, “(pui,qui)_ch[pui,qui]”, and the channel message type, “M”. That message type has, possibly, to be left open, at this stage of analysis & description. Message types can perhaps best, i.e., easiest be decided upon once all the behaviour body definitions have been completed.

262 The overloaded distributed-fix operator “ \gg ”⁹ is here applied to a pair of unique identifiers. Very informally:

262 “ \gg ”: (UI \rightarrow RSL-Text)|(X_UI \times Y_UI) \rightarrow RSL-Text

262 “(x_ui,y_ui) \gg ” \equiv “(x_ui,y_ui \gg)”

Repeating these channel calculations over distinct parts p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n of the same part type P will yield “similar” behaviour signature channel references:

⁷ <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Currying>

⁸ We refer to the three parts of the mereology value as the input, the input/output and the output mereology (values).

⁹ The η operator applies to a type and yields the name of the type.

$$\begin{aligned} &\{PQ_ch[p_{1_{ui}}, qui] | p_{1_{ui}}:P_UI, qui:Q_UI \cdot qui \in quis\} \\ &\{PQ_ch[p_{2_{ui}}, qui] | p_{2_{ui}}:P_UI, qui:Q_UI \cdot qui \in quis\} \\ &\dots \\ &\{PQ_ch[p_{n_{ui}}, qui] | p_{n_{ui}}:P_UI, qui:Q_UI \cdot qui \in quis\} \end{aligned}$$

These distinct single channel references can be assembled into one:

$$\begin{aligned} &\{ PQ_ch[pui, qui] \mid pui:P_UI, qui:Q_UI : \neg pui \in puis, qui \in quis \} \\ &\textbf{where } puis = \{ p_{1_{ui}}, p_{2_{ui}}, \dots, p_{n_{ui}} \} \end{aligned}$$

As an example we have already calculated the array channels for Fig. 6.4 Pg. 136 – cf. the left, the **Parts**, of that figure – cf. Items [1–3] Pages 136–136. The identities Item 251 Pg. 136 apply.

6.7 Behaviour Signatures and Definitions

In this section we shall finally show the schemas whereby discrete endurants are transcendently “morphed” into behaviours.

6.7.1 General on Behaviour Schemas

The general translation schema can be expressed as follows:

		is_endurant(e)
Translation Schema 2		
value		
	BEHAVIOUR _{Endurant} : E → RSL-Text	
	BEHAVIOUR _{Endurant} (e) ≡	
	is_physical_part(e) →	
3 Pg. 143	is_atomic(e)	→ BEHAVIOUR _{Atomic} (e),
4 Pg. 144	is_composite(e)	→ BEHAVIOUR _{Composite} (e),
5 Pg. 144	is_single_sort_set(e)	→ BEHAVIOUR _{SingleSortSet} (e),
6 Pg. 145	is_alternative_sorts_set(e)	→ BEHAVIOUR _{AlternativeSortsSet} (e),
7 Pg. 145	is_structure(e)	→ BEHAVIOUR _{Structure} (e)
8 Pg. 145	is_conjoin(e)	→ BEHAVIOUR _{Conjoin} (e),
	is_living_species(e)	→ ..., [we omit treatment of living species]
	—	→ skip

We have chosen to not “morph” materials into behaviours – as expressed by the last clause above.

6.7.1.1 The General Behaviour Signature

We associate with each part, $p:P$, a behaviour name \mathcal{M}_P . That is, every part p of sort P is associated with the same behaviour name \mathcal{M}_P each individual such behaviour being distinguished by the initial unique identifier constant argument.

Behaviours thus have as their first argument their unique part identifier: $uid_P(p)$. Behaviours evolves around a state, or, rather, a set of values: its possibly changing mereology, $mt:MT$ and the attributes of the part.¹⁰ A behaviour signature is therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_P: & ui:UI \times me:MT \times stat_attr_types(p) \\ & \rightarrow prgr_attr_types(p) \\ & \rightarrow calc_i_o_chn_refs(p) \textbf{ Unit} \end{aligned}$$

¹⁰ We presently leave out consideration of possible components and materials of the part.

where (i) $ui:UI$ is the unique identifier value and type of part p ; (ii) $me:MT$ is the value and type mereology of part p , $me = mereo_P(p)$; (iii) $stat_attr_types(p)$: static attribute types of part $p:P$; (iv) $prgr_attr_types(p)$: controllable attribute types of part $p:P$; (v) $calc_i_o_chn_refs(p)$ calculates references to the **input**, the **input/output** and the **output** channels serving the attributes shared between part p and the parts designated in its mereology me .

6.7.2 Preamble Definitions

We have, in Chapter 4 and in this chapter, defined a number of analysis predicates, analysis functions, and perdurant calculators. These will be used in the preamble of all the part **BEHAVIOUR** Schemas of this section. We summarise some relevant functions and perdurant calculators.

<code>calc_all_chn_dcls</code> , Item 261a, 141	<code>prgr_attr_types</code> , Item 202, 102
<code>calc_chn_refs</code> , Item 260a, 141	<code>prgr_attr_vals</code> , Item 206, 103
<code>calc_i_o_chn_refs</code> , Item 259, 141	
<code>declaring_all_monitorable_variables</code> , Item 247, 128	<code>stat_attr_types</code> , Item 200, 102
	<code>stat_attr_vals</code> , Item 204, 103
<code>moni_attr_types</code> , Item 201, 102	
<code>moni_attr_vals</code> , Item 204, 103	Translate Endurant, 142

Each **BEHAVIOUR** Schema requires more-or-less all of the below:

263 UI, unique identifier type;	value,
264 MT, mereology type;	263. <code>UI = type_of(uid_E(e))</code>
265 ST, static attribute types;	264. <code>MT = type_of(mereo_E(e))</code>
266 PT, programmable attribute types;	265. <code>ST = stat_attr_types(e),</code>
267 IOR, input/output channel references.	266. <code>PT = prgr_attr_types(e),</code>
	267. <code>IOR = calc_i_o_chn_refs(e)</code>

6.7.3 A Behaviour Signature Calculator

For each enduring to be **BEHAVIOUR** _{d} we need collect the elements, values and types that are relevant to that enduring's behaviour signature.

```
collect_signature: E → “UI” × “MT” × “ST” × “PT” × “IOR”
collect_signature(e) ≡
  (type_of(uid_E(e)), type_of(mereo_E(e)),
   stat_attr_types(e), prgr_attr_types(e),
   calc_i_o_chn_refs(e))
```

So we assume this clause to be part of each $e:E$ schema, ..., below:

```
value
  let (“UI,MT,ST,PT,IOR”) = collect_signature(e) in ... end
```

The **BEHAVIOUR** schemas that now follow make use of `analyse_part_materials_part` and `analyse_part_materials_materials` enduring analysis function prompts defined in Sect. 3.15 on Page 63.

6.7.4 Atomic Schema

Let $p:P$ be an atomic part. It “translates” into behaviour \mathcal{M}_P :

`is_atomic(e)`

Translation Schema 3

```

value
  BEHAVIOURAtomic(e) ≡
    “value
       $\mathcal{M}_P: UI \times MT \times ST \rightarrow PT \rightarrow IOR \text{ Unit}$ 
       $\mathcal{M}_P(ui, me, sv)(pv) \equiv \mathcal{B}_P(ui, me, sv)(pv)$  ”

```

The signature identifiers UI, MT, ST and PT are taken from the `collect_signature` function. They are always understood syntactically when “occurring” in, e.g., signatures. Expression $\mathcal{B}_P(ui, me, sv)(pv)$ stands for the *behaviour definition body* in which the names *ui*, *me*, *sv*, *pv* are chosen, freely by the domain describer and bound to the *behaviour definition head*, i.e., the left hand side of the \equiv . That expression, $\mathcal{B}_P(ui, me, sv)(pv)$, may thus stand for quite a complex RSL/CSP clause. We elaborate on that in Sect. 6.7.10.

6.7.5 Composite Schema

Let P be a composite sort defined in terms of enduring sub-sorts E_1, E_2, \dots, E_n . Here we only need be concerned with the *translation* of $p:P$, translation of “siblings” follows from the sub-sort endurants e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n which have been set aside. The behaviour description *translated* from $p:P$, is thus a behaviour description of the “root”, \mathcal{M}_P , relying on and handling the unique identifier, mereology and attributes of part p

`is_composite(e)`

Translation Schema 4

```

BEHAVIOURComposite: E → RSL-Text
BEHAVIOURComposite(e) ≡
  “value
     $\mathcal{M}_E: UI \times MT \times ST \rightarrow PT \rightarrow IOR \text{ Unit}$ 
     $\mathcal{M}_E(ui, me, sv)(pv) \equiv \mathcal{B}_E(ui, me, sv)(pv)$  ”

```

Modelling Choice 10 *Composites*: The above schema mandates that the conjoin behaviour, \mathcal{M}_E , be defined. It does not say anything about the subsidiary elements of the composite. They are handled by the `analyse_and_describe_perdurant_process`, Sect. 6.12 on Page 158. Why do we express the above? We do so because the schemas are just suggestions! The *domain analyser & describer* method mandates that all observed parts be described.

6.7.6 Single Sort Set Schema

`is_single_sort_set(e)`

Translation Schema 5

```

BEHAVIOURSingleSortSet: E → RSL-Text
BEHAVIOURSingleSortSet(e) ≡
  “value
     $\mathcal{M}_E: UI \times MT \times ST \rightarrow PT \rightarrow IOR \text{ Unit}$ 
     $\mathcal{M}_E(ui, me, sv)(pv) \equiv \mathcal{B}_E(ui, me, sv)(pv)$  ”

```


6.7.7 Alternative Sorts Set Schema

is_alternative_sorts_set(e)

Translation Schema 6

BEHAVIOUR_{AlternativeSortsSet}: $E \rightarrow \text{RSL-Text}$
BEHAVIOUR_{AlternativeSortsSet}(e) \equiv
 “value
 $\mathcal{M}_E: \text{UI} \times \text{MT} \times \text{ST} \rightarrow \text{PT} \rightarrow \text{IOR}$ Unit
 $\mathcal{M}_E(\text{ui}, \text{me}, \text{sv})(\text{pv}) \equiv \mathcal{B}_E(\text{ui}, \text{me}, \text{sv})(\text{pv})$ ”

6.7.8 Structure Schema

is_structure(e)

Translation Schema 7

BEHAVIOUR_{Structure}: $E \rightarrow \text{RSL-Text}$
BEHAVIOUR_{Structure}(e) \equiv “”

6.7.9 Conjoin Schemas

is_conjoin(e)

Translation Schema 8

BEHAVIOUR_{Conjoin}: $E \rightarrow \text{RSL-Text}$
BEHAVIOUR_{Conjoin}(e) \equiv
 $\text{is_part_materials_conjoin}(e) \rightarrow \text{BEHAVIOUR}_{\text{Part Materials Conjoin}}(e),$
 $\text{is_material_parts_conjoin}(e) \rightarrow \text{BEHAVIOUR}_{\text{Material Parts Conjoin}}(e),$
 $\text{is_part_parts_conjoin}(e) \rightarrow \text{BEHAVIOUR}_{\text{Part Parts Conjoin}}(e)$

6.7.9.1 The Part-Materials Conjoin Schema

The **Part-Materials Conjoin Schema** reveal more of the “semantics” of conjoins. A part-materials conjoin gives rise to one behaviour: the conjoin behaviour, \mathcal{M}_C , with the additional programmable-like argument of the conjoin material. That is, in this monograph, we shall treat materials as “passive”, i.e., not having a behaviour that we define separately from that of \mathcal{M}_C .

is_part_materials_conjoin(e)

Translation Schema 9

let (_, (M1, ..., Mm)) = analyse_part_materials_materials(e) in
 value
BEHAVIOUR_{Part Materials Conjoin}(e) \equiv
 “value
 $\mathcal{M}_C: \text{UI} \times \text{MT} \times \text{ST} \rightarrow \text{PT} \times (\text{M1} \times \dots \times \text{Mm}) \rightarrow \text{IOR}$ Unit
 $\mathcal{M}_C(\text{ui}, \text{me}, \text{sv})(\text{pv}, \text{cm}) \equiv \mathcal{B}_P(\text{ui}, \text{me}, \text{sv})(\text{pv}, \text{cm})$ ”
 end

6.7.9.2 The Material-Parts Conjoin Schema

The **Material-Parts Conjoin Schema** reveals more of the “semantics” of conjoins. A material-parts conjoin gives rise to one behaviour: the conjoin “root” behaviour, \mathcal{M}_C . The behaviour of the “sibling” part behaviours is defined separately – as is expressed by the `analyse_and_describe_perdurant_process` of Sect. 6.12 on Page 158. The former, \mathcal{M}_C , “keeps track” of the material compound, `cm`, relating the contained materials to the atomic “root” part. The “sibling” behaviours proceed at their own will.

`is_material_parts_conjoin(e)`

Translation Schema 10

```
let (_,CM) = analyse_material_parts_material(e) in
value
  BEHAVIOURMaterial Parts Conjoin(e)  $\equiv$ 
    “value
       $\mathcal{M}_C: UI \times MT \times ST \rightarrow PT \times CM \text{ IOR Unit}$ 
       $\mathcal{M}_C(ui,me,sv)(pv,cm) \equiv \mathcal{B}_P(ui,me,sv)(pv,cm)$  ”
    end
```

Modelling Choice 11 *Material-Parts*: The `analyse_and_describe_perdurant_process`, cf. Sect. 6.12 on Page 158 does prescribe the schema for some arbitrarily chosen part in `ps`, that is, mandates that all be described – and that is why we are mentioning it here.

A Conjoin Canal Lock

Example 81 Let p be a conjoin canal lock with atom part a and material m . Then m is the water, a natural material, in the conjoin, housed in the fixed *chamber* of p . and a is the lock mechanics: two *gates* that can open and close, letting water in and out of the lock, a *paddle*, i.e., a valve by means of which water is filled or emptied, a *winding gear*, the mechanism which allows paddles to be lifted (opened) or lowered (closed). et cetera. The \mathcal{M}_C behaviour, i.e., the overall behaviour of the canal lock, when it so decides¹¹ inform the \mathcal{M}_A behaviour to operate its mechanics; it does so based on either sampling its container, m , water level, say by means of an dynamic attribute `attr_Level(m)`, or receiving appropriate messages from the \mathcal{M}_A behaviour. The \mathcal{M}_A behaviour, i.e., the lock mechanics, in a sense, is oblivious to the water (and the vessels), and keeps itself occupied by monitoring and controlling its various mechanisms: the *gates*, *paddles*, *winding gear*, et cetera.

6.7.9.3 The Part-Parts Conjoin Schema

The **Part-Parts Conjoin Schema** reveals more of the “semantics” of conjoins. A **part-parts** conjoin gives rise to one behaviour: the conjoin’s “root” part behaviour, \mathcal{M}_C . \mathcal{M}_C may be expected to “keep track” of the “sibling” parts, `ps` – the contained parts to the conjoin part – behaviours.

`is_part_parts_conjoin(e)`

Translation Schema 11

```
value
  BEHAVIOURPart Parts Conjoin(e)  $\equiv$ 
    “value
       $\mathcal{M}_C: UI \times MT \times ST \rightarrow PT \rightarrow \text{IOR Unit}$ 
       $\mathcal{M}_C(ui,me,sv)(pv) \equiv \mathcal{B}_P(ui,me,sv)(pv)$  ”
```

¹¹ We do not model the vessels that travels the canals and enter and leave locks.

The next example focuses only on signatures.

Road Transport Behaviour Signatures

Example 82 We first decide on names of behaviours. In the translation schemas we gave schematic names to behaviours of the form $\mathcal{M}p$. We now assign mnemonic names: from part names to names of transcendently interpreted behaviours and then we assign signatures to these behaviours.

```

268 hubhui:
  a there is the usual “triplet” of arguments: unique identifier, mereology and static attributes;
  b then there are the programmable attributes;
  c and finally there are the input/output channel references: first those allowing communication between hub
    and link behaviours,
  d and then those allowing communication between hub and vehicle (bus and automobile) behaviours.

value
268 hubhui:
268a hui:H_UI×(vuis,luis,⌋):H_Mer×H_Ω
268b → (H_Σ×H_Traffic)
268c → in,out { hl_ch[hui,lui] | lui:L_UI•lui ∈ luis }
268d { bar_ch[hui,vui] | vui:V_UI•vui ∈ vuis } Unit
268a pre: vuis = vuis ∧ luis = luis

269 linklui:
  a there is the usual “triplet” of arguments: unique identifier, mereology and static attributes;
  b then there are the programmable attributes;
  c and finally there are the input/output channel references: first those allowing communication between hub
    and link behaviours,
  d and then those allowing communication between link and vehicle (bus and automobile) behaviours.

value
269 linklui:
269a lui:L_UI×(vuis,huis,⌋):L_Mer×L_Ω
269b → (L_Σ×L_Traffic)
269c → in,out { hl_ch[hui,lui] | hui:H_UI•hui ∈ huis }
269d { bar_ch[lui,vui] | vui:(B_UI|A_UI)•vui ∈ vuis } Unit
269a pre: vuis = vuis ∧ huis = huis

270 bus_companybcui:
  a there is here just a “doublet” of arguments: unique identifier and mereology;
  b then there is the one programmable attribute;
  c and finally there are the input/output channel references allowing communication between the bus company
    and buses.

value
270 bus_companybcui:
270a bcui:BC_UI×(⌋,⌋,buis):BC_Mer
270b → BusTimTbl
270c in,out { bcb_ch[bcui,bui] | bui:B_UI•bui ∈ buis } Unit
270a pre: buis = buis ∧ huis = huis

271 busbui:

```

- a there is here just a “doublet” of arguments: unique identifier and mereology;
- b then there are the programmable attributes;
- c and finally there are the input/output channel references: first the input/output allowing communication between the bus company and buses,
- d and the input/output allowing communication between the bus and the hub and link behaviours.

value

```

271 busbui:
271a bui:B_UI×(bcui,_,ruis):B_Mer
271b → (LN × BTT × BPOS)
271c → out bcb_ch[bcui,bui],
271d {bar_ch[rui,bui]|rui:(H_UI|L_UI)•ui∈vuis} Unit
271a pre: ruis = ruis ∧ bcui ∈ bcuis

```

.....

272 automobile_{a_{ui}}:

- a there is the usual “triplet” of arguments: unique identifier, mereology and static attributes;
- b then there is the one programmable attribute;
- c and finally there are the input/output channel references allowing communication between the automobile and the hub and link behaviours.

value

```

272 automobileaui:
272a aui:A_UI×(_,_,ruis):A_Mer×rn:RegNo
272b → apos:APos
272c in,out {bar_ch[aui,rui]|rui:(H_UI|L_UI)•rui∈ruis} Unit
272a pre: ruis = ruis ∧ aui ∈ auis ■

```

6.7.10 Core Behaviour

The core processes can be understood as never ending, “tail recursively defined” processes:

Core Behaviour Part e (I)

A Suggested Behaviour Definition 1

```

BP: UI×MT×ST → PT → IOT Unit
BP(ui,me,sv)(pv) ≡ let (me',pv') = FP(ui,me,sv)(pv) in MP(ui,me',sv)(pa') end

FP: UI×MT×ST → PT → IOT → MT×PT

```

We present a rough sketch of \mathcal{F}_π . The \mathcal{F}_π action non-deterministically internal choice chooses between

- either [1,2,3,4]
 - ⊗ [1] accepting input from
 - ⊗ [4] a suitable (“offering”) part process,
 - ⊗ [2] optionally offering a reply, and
 - ⊗ [3] finally delivering an updated state;
- or [5,6,7,8]
 - ⊗ [5] finding a suitable “order” (val)
 - ⊗ [8] to a suitable (“inquiring”) behaviour (π'),
 - ⊗ [6] offering that value (on channel $ch[\pi']$)
 - ⊗ [7] and then delivering an updated state;
- or [9] doing own work resulting in an updated state.

A Suggested Behaviour Definition 2

We leave these auxiliary functions and `VAL` undefined.

The `in_reply`, `in_update`, `await_reply`, `out_update` and `own_work` functions contain references to static and programmable attributes values by stating their names: `sv` and `pv`; and to monitorable attribute, A_m , values by stating `attr_A(part[ui])`. Updates. `v`, to biddable attributes, A_b , are expressed as `update(A, v, part[ui])`.

Example 83 We define the behaviours in a different order than the treatment of their signatures. We “split” definition of the `automobile` behaviour into the behaviour of `automobiles` when positioned at a hub, and into the behaviour `automobiles` when positioned at on a link. In both cases the behaviours include the “idling” of the automobile, i.e., its “not moving”, standing still.

273 We abstract automobile behaviour at a Hub (hui).
274 The vehicle remains at that hub, “idling”,
275 informing the hub behaviour,
276 or, internally non-deterministically,
 a moves onto a link, tl_i , whose “next” hub, identified by th_ui , is obtained from the mereology of
 the link identified by tl_ui ;
 b informs the hub it is leaving and the link it is entering of its initial link position,
 c whereupon the vehicle resumes the vehicle behaviour positioned at the very beginning (0) of that
 link,
277 or, again internally non-deterministically,
278 the vehicle “disappears — off the radar” !

```

273 automobileaui(aui,({},{},(ruis,vuis),({}),rn)
273      (apos:atH(flui,hui,tlui)) ≡
274      (bar.ch[aui,hui] ! (recordTIME(),atH(flui,hui,tlui)));
275      automobileaui(aui,({},{},(ruis,vuis),({}),rn)(apos))
276      ⊓
276a      (let ({fhui,thui},{ruis'})=mereoL( $\wp$ (tlui)) in
276a          assert: fhui=hui ∧ ruis=ruis'
273          let onl = (tlui,hui,0,thui) in
276b          (bar.ch[aui,hui] ! (recordTIME(),onL(onl)) ||
276b          bar.ch[aui,tlui] ! (recordTIME(),onL(onl))) ;

```

```

276c   automobileau(aui,({},{},(ruis,vuis),{}),rn)
276c       (onL(onl)) end end
277   []
278   stop

```

You may skip Example 84 in a first reading.

Further Behaviours of a Road Transport System

Example 84 Automobile Behaviour (on a link)

279 We abstract automobile behaviour on a Link.

- a Internally non-deterministically, either
 - i the automobile remains, “idling”, i.e., not moving, on the link,
 - ii however, first informing the link of its position,
- b or
 - i **if** if the automobile’s position on the link *has not yet reached the hub*, **then**
 - 1 then the automobile moves an arbitrary small, positive **Real**-valued *increment* along the link
 - 2 informing the hub of this,
 - 3 while resuming being an automobile at the new position, or
 - ii **else**,
 - 1 while obtaining a “next link” from the mereology of the hub (where that next link could very well be the same as the link the vehicle is about to leave),
 - 2 the vehicle informs both the link and the imminent hub that it is now at that hub, identified by th_{ui} ,
 - 3 whereupon the vehicle resumes the vehicle behaviour positioned at that hub;
- c or
- d the vehicle “disappears — off the radar” !

```

279 automobileau(aui,({},{},ruis,{}),rno)
279       (vp:onL(fhui,lui,f,thui)) ≡
279(a)ii (ba_r_ch[thui,au]!atH(lui,thui,nxtJui) ;
279(a)i  automobileau(aui,({},{},ruis,{}),rno)(vp))
279b []
279(b)i (if not_yet_at_hub(f)
279(b)i then
279(b)i1 (let incr = increment(f) in
273      let onl = (tlui,hui,incr,thui) in
279(b)i2 ba_r_ch[lui,aui] ! onL(onl) ;
279(b)i3 automobileau(aui,({},{},ruis,{}),rno)
279(b)i3 (onL(onl))
279(b)i end end)
279(b)ii else
279(b)ii1 (let nxtJui:L_UI•nxtJui ∈ mereo_H(∅(thui)) in
279(b)ii2 ba_r_ch[thui,au]!atH(lui,thui,nxtJui) ;
279(b)ii3 automobileau(aui,({},{},ruis,{}),rno)
279(b)ii3 (atH(lui,thui,nxtJui)) end)
279(b)i end)
279c []
279d stop
279(b)i1 increment: Fract → Fract

```

Hub Behaviour We model the hub behaviour vis-a-vis vehicles: buses and automobiles.

280 The hub behaviour

- a non-deterministically, externally offers
- b to accept timed vehicle positions —
- c which will be at the hub, from some vehicle, v_{ui} .
- d The timed vehicle hub position is appended to the front of that vehicle's entry in the hub's traffic table;
- e whereupon the hub proceeds as a hub behaviour with the updated hub traffic table.
- f The hub behaviour offers to accept from any vehicle.
- g A **post** condition expresses what is really a **proof obligation**: that the hub traffic, ht' satisfies the **axiom** of the endurant hub traffic attribute Item 187 Pg. 99.

value

```

280 hubhui(hui,((luis,vuis)),hω)(hσ,ht) ≡
280a  []
280b  { let m = bar_ch[hui,vui] ? in
280c    assert: m=(atHub(hui,hui))
280d    let ht' = ht † [hui ↦ ⟨m⟩ht(hui)] in
280e    hubhui(hui,((luis,vuis)),(hω))(hσ,ht')
280f    | vui:VUI•vui∈vuis end end }
280g  post: ∀ vui:VUI•vui ∈ dom ht' ⇒ time_ordered(ht'(vui))

```

Link Behaviour

- 281 The link behaviour non-deterministically, externally offers
- 282 to accept timed vehicle positions —
- 283 which will be on the link, from some vehicle, v_{ui} .
- 284 The timed vehicle link position is appended to the front of that vehicle's entry in the link's traffic table;
- 285 whereupon the link proceeds as a link behaviour with the updated link traffic table.
- 286 The link behaviour offers to accept from any vehicle.
- 287 A **post** condition expresses what is really a **proof obligation**: that the link traffic, lt' satisfies the **axiom** of the endurant link traffic attribute Item 191 Pg. 100.

```

281 linklui(lui,(huis,vuis),lui),lω)(lσ,lt) ≡
281  []
282  { let m = bar_ch[lui,vui] ? in
283    assert: m=(onLink(lui,lui))
284    let lt' = lt † [lui ↦ ⟨m⟩lt(lui)] in
285    linklui(lui,(huis,vuis),hω)(hσ,lt')
286    | vui:VUI•vui∈vuis end end }
287  post: ∀ vui:VUI•vui ∈ dom lt' ⇒ time_ordered(lt'(vui))

```

Bus Company Behaviour

We model bus companies very rudimentary. Bus companies keep a fleet of buses. Bus companies create, maintain, distribute bus time tables. Bus companies deploy their buses to honor obligations of their bus time tables. We shall basically only model the distribution of bus time tables to buses. We shall not cover other aspects of bus company management, etc.

- 288 Bus companies non-deterministically, internally, chooses among
 - a updating their bus time tables
 - b whereupon they resume being bus companies, albeit with a new bus time table;
- 289 “interleaved” with
 - a offering the current time-stamped bus time table to buses which offer willingness to received them
 - b whereupon they resume being bus companies with unchanged bus time table.

```

270 bus_companybcui(bcui,(buis,buis))(btt) ≡
288a (let btt' = update(btt,...) in
288b bus_companybcui(bcui,(buis,buis))(btt') end )
289  []
289a ( [] { bcb_ch[bcui,bui] ! btt | bui:BUI•bui∈buis
289b   bus_companybcui(bcui,(buis,buis))(record.TIME(),btt) } )

```

We model the interface between buses and their owning companies — as well as the interface between buses and the road net, the latter by almost “carbon-copying” all elements of the automobile behaviour(s).

- 290 The bus behaviour chooses to either
 a accept a (latest) time-stamped buss time table from its bus company –
 b where after it resumes being the bus behaviour now with the updated bus time table.
- 291 or, non-deterministically, internally,
 a based on the bus position
 i if it is at a hub then it behaves as prescribed in the case of automobiles at a hub,
 ii else, it is on a link, and then it behaves as prescribed in the case of automobiles on a link.

```

290 busbui(bui,(,(bcui,ruis),_))(ln,btt,bpos) ≡
290a (let btt' = bbc_ch[bui,bcui] ? in
290b busbui(bui,({,(bcui,ruis),{}}))(ln,btt',bpos) end)
291 []
291a (case bpos of
291(a)i atH(flui,hui,tlui) →
291(a)i atHbusbui(bui,(,(bcui,ruis),_))(ln,btt,bpos),
291(a)ii aonL(fhui,lui,f,thui) →
291(a)ii onLbusbui(bui,(,(bcui,ruis),_))(ln,btt,bpos)
291a end)

```

Bus Behaviour at a Hub

The atH_{bus_{b_{ui}}} behaviour definition is a simple transcription of the automobile_{a_{ui}} (atH) behaviour definition: mereology expressions being changed from to , programmed attributes being changed from atH(fl_{ui},h_{ui},tl_{ui}) to (ln,btt,atH(fl_{ui},h_{ui},tl_{ui})), channel references a_{ui} being replaced by b_{ui}, and behaviour invocations renamed from automobile_{a_{ui}} to bus_{b_{ui}}. So formula lines 274–279d below presents “nothing new” !

```

291(a)i atHbusbui(bui,(,(bcui,ruis),_))
291(a)i (ln,btt,atH(flui,hui,tlui)) ≡
274 (bar_ch[bui,hui] ! (recordTIME(),atH(flui,hui,tlui)));
275 busbui(bui,({,(bcui,ruis),{}}))(ln,btt,bpos)
290a []
276a (let ({fhui,thui},ruis')=mereoL(∅(tlui)) in
276a assert: fhui=hui ∧ ruis=ruis'
273 let onl = (tlui,hui,0,thui) in
276b (bar_ch[bui,hui] ! (recordTIME(),onl(onl)) ||
276b bar_ch[bui,tlui] ! (recordTIME(),onl(onl))) ;
276c busbui(bui,({,(bcui,ruis),{}}))
276c (ln,btt,onl(onl)) end end )
279c []
279d stop

```

Bus Behaviour on a Link

The onL_{bus_{b_{ui}}} behaviour definition is a similar simple transcription of the automobile_{a_{ui}} (onL) behaviour definition. So formula lines 274–279d below presents “nothing new” !

292 – this is the “almost last formula line” !

```

291(a)ii onLbusbui(bui,(,(bcui,ruis),_))
291(a)ii (ln,btt,bpos:onL(fhui,lui,f,thui)) ≡
274 (bar_ch[bui,hui] ! (recordTIME(),bpos);
275 busbui(bui,({,(bcui,ruis),{}}))(ln,btt,bpos)
290a []
279(b)i (if notyet_at_hub(f)
279(b)i then
279(b)i1 (let incr = increment(f) in
273 let onl = (tlui,hui,incr,thui) in
279(b)i2 bar_ch[lui,bui] ! onl(onl) ;
279(b)i3 busbui(bui,({,(bcui,ruis),{}}))

```



```

279(b)i3      (ln,btt,onL(onl))
279(b)i      end end)
279(b)ii     else
279(b)ii1    (let nl_ui:L_UI•nxt_Lui∈mereo_H(∅(th_ui)) in
279(b)ii2    bar_ch[thui,b_ui]!atH(l_ui,th_ui,nxt_Lui) ;
279(b)ii3    busbui(b_ui,{},{bc_ui,ruis},{})
279(b)ii3    (ln,btt,atH(l_ui,h_ui,nxt_Lui))
279(b)ii1    end)end)
279c        []
279d        stop

```

6.8 System Initialisation

It is one thing to define the behaviours corresponding to all parts, whether composite or atomic. It is another thing to specify an initial configuration of behaviours, that is, those behaviours which “start” the overall system behaviour. The choice as to which parts, i.e., behaviours, are to represent an initial, i.e., a start system behaviour, cannot be “formalised”, it really depends on the “deeper purpose” of the system. In other words: requires careful analysis and is beyond the scope of the present monograph.

We sketch a general system initialisation function. It reflects the decision to transcendently deduce all parts into behaviours.

```

value
  initialise_system: Unit → Unit
  initialise_system() ≡
    let ps = calc_parts({uod})({}) in
    || { let ui = uid_E(p), me = mereo_E(p),
        sv = static_values(p), pv = programmable_values(p) in
        Bp(ui,me,sv)(pv) | p:E • p ∈ ps
      }
    end }
end

```

Initial System

Example 85 Initial States: We recall the *hub*, *link*, *bus company*, *bus* and the *automobile states* outlined in Sect. 3.18 on Page 73.

```

value
126 hs:H-set ≡ obs_sH(obs_SH(obs_RN(rts)))
127 ls:L-set ≡ obs_sL(obs_SL(obs_RN(rts)))
129 bcs:BC-set ≡ obs_BCs(obs_SBC(obs_FV(obs_RN(rts)))
130 bs:B-set ≡ ∪{obs_Bs(bc)|bc:BC•bc ∈ bcs}
131 as:A-set ≡ obs_BCs(obs_SBC(obs_FV(obs_RN(rts)))

```

Starting Initial Behaviours: We are reaching the end of this domain modelling example. Behind us there are narratives and formalisations Item 105 Pg. 66– Item 278 Pg. 149. Based on these we now express the signature and the body of the definition of a “*system build and execute*” function.

293 The system to be initialised is

- a the parallel compositions (||) of
- b the distributed parallel composition (||{...|...}) of all the hub behaviours,
- c the distributed parallel composition (||{...|...}) of all the link behaviours,
- d the distributed parallel composition (||{...|...}) of all the bus company behaviours,
- e the distributed parallel composition (||{...|...}) of all the bus behaviours, and
- f the distributed parallel composition (||{...|...}) of all the automobile behaviours.

```

value
293 initial_system: Unit → Unit
293 initial_system() ≡
293b || { hubhui(hui,me,hω)(htrf,hσ)
293b | h:H•h ∈ hs, hui:H_UI•hui=uidH(h), me:HMet•me=mereoH(h),
293b | htrf:H_Traffic•htrf=attrH_Traffic(h),
293b | hω:HΩ•hω=attrHΩ(h), hσ:HΣ•hσ=attrHΣ(h) ∧ hσ ∈ hω }
293a ||
293c || { linklui(lui,me,lω)(ltrf,lσ)
293c | l:L•l ∈ ls, lui:L_UI•lui=uidL(l), me:LMet•me=mereoL(l),
293c | ltrf:L_Traffic•ltrf=attrL_Traffic(l),
293c | lω:LΩ•lω=attrLΩ(l), lσ:LΣ•lσ=attrLΣ(l) ∧ lσ ∈ lω }
293a ||
293d || { bus_companybcui(bcui,me)(btt)
293d | bc:BC•bc ∈ bcs, bcui:BC_UI•bcui=uidBC(bc), me:BCMet•me=mereoBC(bc),
293d | btt:BusTimTbl•btt=attrBusTimTbl(bc) }
293a ||
293e || { busbui(bui,me)(ln,btt,bpos)
293e | b:B•b ∈ bs, bui:B_UI•bui=uidB(b), me:BMet•me=mereoB(b), ln:LN•ln=attrLN(b),
293e | btt:BusTimTbl•btt=attrBusTimTbl(b), bpos:BPos•bpos=attrBPos(b) }
293a ||
293f || { automobileaui(aui,me,rn)(apos)
293f | a:A•a ∈ as, aui:A_UI•aui=uidA(a), me:AMet•me=mereoA(a),
293f | rn:RegNo•rn=attrRegNo(a), apos:APos•apos=attrAPos(a) } ■

```

6.9 Concurrency: Communication and Synchronisation

Translation Schemas 4, 9–11 reveal that two or more parts, which temporally coexist (i.e., at the same time), imply a notion of *concurrency*. Translation Schema 2 on Page 149, through the RSL/CSP language expressions $ch!v$ and $ch?$, indicates the notions of *communication* and *synchronisation*. Other than this we shall not cover these crucial notion related to *parallelism*.

6.10 Discrete Actions

In the extensive *Road Transport System* behaviour definitions, that is, in the *Automobile Behaviour at a Hub* Example 83 on Page 149, the *Further Behaviours of a Road Transport* (Appendix) Example 84 Page 150 and the *Initial System* example, Example 85 153, we have already “taken the lid off” the subject of *action analysis & description*, that is, unsystematically “revealed” aspects of *action analysis & description*. In this section we shall present a more systematic approach. We cannot do that for the full category of manifest domains such as we have defined domains. But we can single out a sub-category of *conjoin systems*.

6.10.1 Conjoin Actions

The pragmatics of conjoins include (i) for single material conjoins, the transport, along the atomic part of the material, in one or both directions; (ii) for multiple, i.e., more than one material conjoins, the treatment of one or more of these materials, mixing, heating, “cleaning”, or other; as well as possibly also the transport of one or more of these materials to or from a conjoin, from or to “an outside”, and between conjoins.

Caveat: There is, however, a **problem !** The problem is that the domain phenomena that we really wish to model are not discrete in time, but continuous over time, and that we have no other means of modelling

these phenomena that using good old-fashioned mathematical analysis, that is, *partial differential equations* as our analysis & description tool. Why is that a problem? It is a problem because we really have no “integrated” means of mixing the discrete mathematics-based notations – as here expressed in RSL – with that of classical mathematics’ partial differential equations, PDE, while making sure that the whole thing, the two notations, RSL and PDE, together makes sense, i.e., have a meaning. Research has gone on for now almost 30 years when this is written, but no real progress has been made. The discrete formal specification language research community, i.e., those of languages like, for example, VDM-SL, Z, RAISE, B, The B Method, et cetera, are naturally “steeped” in proof concerns where were and are not foremost in the minds of the PDE community. We refer to [10] for research papers on so-called “*integrated formal methods*” ■

So, not choosing a problematic “mixture” of RSL and PDE we settle for just expressing some properties of actions on conjoin net parts. These are actions, to repeat, on parts but they involve materials and, although they are part actions they have consequences for “their materials”.

To express these operations we associate with conjoins just five simple operations: **supply**, **pump**, **set valve**, **treat** and **dispose**. These operations are operations “performed” by the part element of a conjoin, but they have more-or-less direct influence on the attributes of one or more of the material elements of a conjoin. There are no operations on **forks**, **joins** and **pipes** – what flows into these units flow out: is distributed, is collected and is just plainly forwarded. We shall therefore suggest an algebra of discrete operations. The inspiration for this algebra is derived from Yuri Gurevitch’s concept of **evolving algebras**, also now referred to as **abstract state machines**. We refer to [188, 103, 189, 104, 98, 103, 190, 97, 99, 104, 330, 331]. We refer to the operations that we shall suggest as discrete. That is, we shall not here consider these operations as “taking time”. We invite the reader to consider a temporal logic for domains while referring to [380, The Duration Calculus] and [263, Temporal Logic of Actions].

The conjoin operation make use of `analyse_part_materials_part` and `analyse_part_materials_materials` enduring analysis function prompts defined in Sect. 3.15 on Page 63.

6.10.1.1 Discrete Supply of Material to Conjoins

A volume or weight amount of an appropriate substance is to be added to material m of enduring e .

Conjoin Operation 1

Supply

```

let p:P = analyse_part_materials_part(e), (m:M) = analyse_part_materials_materials(e) in
* m' := supply m with  $x(m^3|kg)$  of attr_Substance(m)
end

```

The **Supply Schema** is to be understood as follows: A conjoin e , a volume or weight amount, x , and the material m of e is indicated. A specified amount, x , of material is now added to that of m of e to become the new value, m' , for that substance of e . Typically e would be a **supply** unit of the material network, cf. Fig. 4.2 on Page 95.

6.10.1.2 Discrete Disposal of Material from Conjoins

A volume or weight amount, x , of an appropriate substance is to be removed, i.e., disposed, from material m_i of enduring e .

Conjoin Operation 2

Disposal

```

let p:P = analyse_part_materials_part(e), (m:M) = analyse_part_materials_materials(e) in
* m' := dispose  $x(m^3|kg)$  from m

```

end

The **Disposal Schema** is to be understood as follows: A conjoin e , a volume or weight amount, x , of the material m of e is indicated. Somehow that amount of material is to be removed from that of m of e to become the new value, m' , for that substance of e .

6.10.1.3 Discrete Pumping of Material from Conjoins

We shall leave the interpretation of the following schemas, as a challenge, to the reader.

Conjoin Operation 3

Pump

```

let p:P = analyse_part_materials_part(e),
    (m:M) = analyse_part_materials_materials(e) in
let (b,a) = before_after_conjoins(p), f = pumping_capacity(p) in
let p_b:PB = analyse_part_materials_part(b),
    (m_b:MB) = analyse_part_materials_materials(b),
    p_a:PA = analyse_part_materials_part(a),
    (m_a:MA) = analyse_part_materials_materials(a) in
* m_a' := m_a  $\ominus$  f(m_a); m_b' := m_b  $\oplus$  f(m_a)
end end end

```

6.10.1.4 Discrete Opening/Closing of Material Transport by Valves

A valve is to be set at a fraction f of “flow-put” where $0 \leq f \leq 1$.

Conjoin Operation 4

Valve

```

let p:P = analyse_part_materials_part(e),
    (m:_) = analyse_part_materials_materials(e) in
* m' := set_valve_opening_at f for material m
end

```

6.10.1.5 Discrete Treatment of Materials of a Conjoin

Conjoin Operation 5

Treatment

```

let p:P = analyse_part_materials_part(e),
    (m1, m2, ..., mm) = analyse_part_materials_materials(e) in axiom m  $\geq$  1
* m'1 := treat with a1/b of m1, c1/d of m2, ..., e1/f of mm with operation o1,
* m'2 := treat with a2/b of m2, c2/d of m2, ..., e2/f of mm with operation o2,
* ...
* m'm := treat with am/b of m1, cm/d of m2, ..., em/f of mm with operation om
axiom  $\forall i:\text{Nat} \cdot 1 \leq i \leq m \Rightarrow a_i \leq b \wedge c_i \leq d \wedge \dots \wedge e_i \leq f \wedge$ 
 $\wedge \forall (x_i, y): \{(a_i, b), (c_i, d), \dots, (e_i, f)\} \cdot x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_m = y$ 

```

end

If, for some i , m'_i is to have no contribution from some m_j then $x_j/y = 0$, i.e., $x_j = 0$.

The **Treatment Schema** is to be understood as follows: There are up to m ‘assignments’. They are to be understood as an equation system. The [to the] right [of $:=$] m_i s all have fixed, initial values. The [to the] left [of $:=$] m'_i denote a final value. By value we mean that either, for all entries of an ‘assignment/equation’, we speak **of Volume**, or we speak **of Weight**. Et cetera !

• • •

You may think of the above \star s to single out the actual operations on conjoin parts. The schema text surrounding these \star lines serve to identify the quantities involved in the operations. So the conjoin part actions are, in a sense, loosely described. We refer to Exercise 27 on Page 161.

• • •

This section ends a series of discourses on conjoins. We refer to Sect. 3.16.3 on Page 70, Example 37 on Page 71, Sect. 4.3.7 on Page 94 and Sect. 4.4.8 on Page 110. This last “installment” has been, but a sketch. We refer to Sect. 7.4 on Page 173 on *Rules & Regulations*, Sect. 7.5 on Page 175 on *Scripts* and Sect. 7.6 on Page 177 on *License Languages*, Pages 173–186, for a continuation of the subject.

6.11 Discrete Events

To clear any possible misunderstanding there are two kinds of events. There are the domain events that we shall analyse & describe; and there are the events of the domain description. The latter are exemplified by CSP’s out/input clauses: $ch[.]!e$ (offer value of expression e on channel $ch[.]$), and $ch[.]?$ (accept value offered on channel $ch[.]$). We shall use the latter to model the former !

By *domain event* we shall understand a change of domain state for which we do, or cannot, point out a known domain behaviour to be the cause of that event.

Domain Events

Example 86 We informally sketch some domain events. (i) An automobile suddenly skidding off a link or hub, thus, in sense, “disappearing” from the road net, rendering the transport domain in **chaos** – if we are not prepared to model the recovery, as is done in the domain, from such calamities. (ii) A pipeline unit suddenly bursting, i.e., exploding, thus, in a sense, rendering the pipeline in **chaos** – if we are not prepared to model the recovery, as is done in the domain, from such calamities.

We suggest to model domain events as follows. Let

$$\mathcal{B}_P: UI \times MT \times ST \rightarrow PT \rightarrow IOT \text{ Unit}$$

$$\mathcal{B}_P(ui, me, sv)(pv) \equiv \text{let } (me', pv') = \mathcal{F}_P(ui, me, sv)(pv) \text{ in } \mathcal{M}_P(ui, me', sv)(pv') \text{ end}$$

be the body of a behaviour definition. Domain events that can be, say approximately, identified as taking place in a resumption of $\mathcal{M}_P(ui, me', sv)(pa')$ can then be expressed in a changed definition of \mathcal{B}_P :

value

$$\mathcal{B}_P: UI \times MT \times ST \rightarrow PT \rightarrow IOT \text{ Unit}$$

$$\mathcal{B}_P(ui, me, sv)(pv) \equiv$$

- (1.) $\text{let } (me', pv') = \mathcal{F}_P(ui, me, sv)(pv) \text{ in}$
- (2.) **either: chaos**
- (3.) **or: let** $(me'', sv'', pv'') = \text{handle_event}_P(me', sv, pv') \text{ in } \mathcal{M}_P(ui, me'', sv'')(pv'') \text{ end}$
- (4.) $\square \mathcal{M}_P(ui, me', sv)(pv') \text{ end}$

$$\text{handle_event: } MT \times ST \times PT \rightarrow MT \times ST \times PT$$

We informally explain: (1.) is as for the “un-event” version of \mathcal{B}_p . Then modelling the occurrence of possibly not-occurring events means that the behaviour non-deterministically, line (4.), chooses the (2.-3.) model or the (4.) model. (2.) **either** the domain analyser & describer chooses to not handle event handle_event_p , and specifies **chaos**; (3.) **or** the domain analyser & describer chooses to model some handling of the event – before resuming \mathcal{M}_p . (4.) In this model no event has been “detected” – and life proceeds as normal.

Similar domain events occurring “during” \mathcal{F}_p can be handled likewise.

6.12 A Domain Discovery Process, III

The predecessors of this section are Sects. 3.19 on Page 75 and 4.8 on Page 118.

We shall yet again emphasize some aspects of the *domain analyser & describer* method. A **method principle** is that of *exhaustively analyse & describe* all external qualities of the domain under scrutiny. A **method technique** implied here is that sketched below. The **method tools** are here all the analysis and description prompts covered so far.

6.12.1 Review of The Endurant Analysis and Description Process

The enduring analysis & description process is defined in Sect. 4.8 on Page 118.

value

```
endurant_analysis_and_description: Unit → Unit
endurant_analysis_and_description() ≡
  discover_sorts();
  discover_uids();
  discover_mereologies();
  discover_attributes()
```

We are now to define a *perdurant_analysis_and_description* procedure – to follow the above *endurant_analysis_and_description* procedure.

6.12.2 A Perdurant Analysis and Description Process

We define the *perdurant_analysis_and_description* procedure in the reverse order of that of Sect. 4.8 on Page 118, first the full procedure, then its sub-procedures.

A Domain Endurant Analysis and Description Process

value

```
perdurant_analysis_and_description: Unit → Unit
perdurant_analysis_and_description() ≡
  discover_state(); axiom [ Note (a) ]
  discover_channels(); axiom [ Note (b) ]
  discover_behaviour_signatures(); axiom [ Note (c) ]
  discover_behaviour_definitions(); axiom [ Note (c) ]
  discover_initial_system() axiom [ Note (d) ]
```

Note (a) The State: The state variable *parts* maps unique identifiers of every part into that part. We might, perhaps should, modify “that part” into a quantity to which monitorable attribute value inquiries, *attr_A*, apply; and nothing more, that is, “parts” devoid themselves of unique identifiers, mereology, and static and programmable attributes. We refrain from doing so here.

Note (b) The Channels: We refer to Sect. 6.5.2 on Page 136. Thus we indiscriminately declare a channel for each pair of distinct unique part identifiers whether the corresponding pair of part behaviours, if at all invoked, communicate or not.

Note (c) Discrete Behaviour Signatures and Definitions: In Sect. 6.7 on Page 142 Translation Schemas 3–11 “lump” expression of behaviour *signature* and *definition* into one RSL-Text. Here we separate the two. The reason is one of pragmatics. We find it more productive to first settle on the signatures of all behaviours before tackling the far more time-consuming work on defining the behaviours.

Note (d) The Running System: We refer to Sect. 6.8 on Page 153.

6.12.2.1 The discover_state Procedure

We model the state of all parts as a globally declared **variable parts**, which is modelled as a map from the unique identifiers of parts to their [initial] value, that is, $\text{parts}(ui)$. We need basically only model those parts, p , which have monitorable attributes, say A , as their values, $\text{attr}_A(p)$, need be read, that is $\text{attr}_A(\text{parts}(ui))$.

value

```
discover_state: Unit → Unit
discover_state() ≡
  for  $\forall v \cdot v \in \text{gen}$  do
    txt := txt  $\uparrow$  [type_name(v)  $\mapsto$  txt(type_name(v)) $\wedge$ (describe_state(v))] end

describe_state: E → RSL-Text
describe_state(e) ≡ “variable parts[uid.E(e)]:type_name(e) := e”
```

6.12.2.2 The discover_channels Procedure

We refer to Sects. 4.2.4 on Page 87 and 6.5.2 on Page 136.

value

```
discover_channels: Unit → Unit
discover_channels() ≡
  let ch_txt = “channel {ch[ {ij,ik} ] | ij,ik: UI  $\cdot$  ij  $\neq$  ik  $\wedge$  {ij,ik}  $\subseteq$  all_uniq_ids() } : M” in
  txt := txt  $\uparrow$  [type_name(uod)  $\mapsto$  (ch_txt  $\wedge$  txt(type_name(uod)))]
end
```

6.12.2.3 The discover_signatures Procedure

We refer to Sect. 6.7 on Page 142.

value

```
discover_behaviour_signatures: Unit → Unit
discover_behaviour_signatures() ≡
  for  $\forall v \cdot v \in \text{gen}$  do
    let signature =
      is_atomic(v)  $\rightarrow$   $\langle$  “ $\mathcal{M}_P$ : UI  $\times$  MT  $\times$  ST  $\rightarrow$  PT  $\rightarrow$  IOR Unit”  $\rangle$ ,
      is_composite(v)  $\rightarrow$   $\langle$  “ $\mathcal{M}_E$ : UI  $\times$  MT  $\times$  ST  $\rightarrow$  PT  $\rightarrow$  IOR Unit”  $\rangle$ 
      is_structure(v)  $\rightarrow$   $\langle$   $\rangle$ ,
      is_part_materials_conjoin(v)  $\rightarrow$ 
         $\langle$  “ $\mathcal{M}_C$ : UI  $\times$  MT  $\times$  ST  $\rightarrow$  PT  $\times$  (M1  $\times$  M2  $\times$  ...  $\times$  Mm)  $\rightarrow$  IOR Unit”  $\rangle$ 
      is_material_parts_conjoin(v)  $\rightarrow$   $\langle$  “ $\mathcal{M}_C$ : UI  $\times$  MT  $\times$  ST  $\rightarrow$  PT  $\times$  CM IOR Unit”  $\rangle$ 
      is_part_parts_conjoin(v)  $\rightarrow$   $\langle$  “ $\mathcal{M}_C$ : UI  $\times$  MT  $\times$  ST  $\rightarrow$  PT  $\rightarrow$  IOR Unit”  $\rangle$  in
    txt := txt  $\uparrow$  [type_name(v)  $\mapsto$  txt(type_name(v)) $\wedge$ signature]
  end end
```

6.12.2.4 The discover_behaviour_definitions Procedure

We refer to Sect. 6.7 on Page 142.

```

value
  discover_behaviour_definitions: Unit → Unit
  discover_behaviour_definitions() ≡
    for ∀ v • v ∈ gen do
      let definition =
        is_atomic(v) → ⟨“ $\mathcal{M}_P(ui,me,sv)(pv) \equiv \mathcal{B}_P(ui,me,sv)(pv)$ ”⟩,
        is_composite(v) → ⟨“ $\mathcal{M}_E(ui,me,sv)(pv) \equiv \mathcal{B}_E(ui,me,sv)(pv)$ ”⟩,
        is_structure(v) → ⟨⟩,
        is_part_materials_conjoin(v) → ⟨“ $\mathcal{M}_C(ui,me,sv)(pv,cm) \equiv \mathcal{B}_P(ui,me,sv)(pv,cm)$ ”⟩,
        is_material_parts_conjoin(v) → ⟨“ $\mathcal{M}_C(uic,me,sv)(pv,cm) \equiv \mathcal{B}_P(ui,me,sv)(pv,cm)$ ”⟩,
        is_part_parts_conjoin(v) → ⟨“ $\mathcal{M}_C(ui,me,sv)(pv) \equiv \mathcal{B}_P(ui,me,sv)(pv)$ ”⟩ in
      txt := txt † [type_name(v) ↦ txt(type_name(v)) ^ definition]
    end end

```

6.12.2.5 The initialise_system Procedure

We refer to Sect. 6.8 on Page 153 (for initialise_system()).

```

value
  discover_initial_system: Unit → Unit
  discover_initial_system() ≡ txt := txt † [UoD ↦ txt(UoD) ^ ⟨“initialise_system()”⟩]

```

6.13 Summary

This chapter’s main title was: **DOMAINS – Towards a Dynamics Ontology**. The term ‘Dynamics’ pertain to actions, events and behaviours of the ‘Domain’, not to its ‘Ontology’. So, an aspect of the ontology of a domain, such as we have studied it and such as we ordain one aspect of **domain analysis & description**, is also about the time-evolving occurrence, of actions, events and behaviours, that is, the *perdurants*. For that study & practice we have suggested a number of analysis & description prompts.

6.13.1 Method Principles, Techniques and Tools

Recall that by a method we shall understand a set of **principles** for selecting and applying a set of **techniques** using a set of **tools** in order to construct an artefact.

6.13.1.1 Principles of Perdurant Analysis & Description

In this chapter we have illustrated the use of the following principles:

Divide & Conquer : That concept is addressed in the sequential treatment of states, channels, behaviour signatures and behaviour definitions.

Operational Abstraction : That concept is addressed in several ways: in the formulation of a notion of domain states and its modelling in terms of RSL variables; in the modelling of domain behaviour interactions in terms of CSP *channels*, *output* and *input*; in the capturing of one essence of domain behaviours in terms of the signature of CSP process definitions; and in the modelling of domain behaviours in terms of CSP processes.

In this chapter we have put forward some advice on **description** choices: We refer to **Modelling Choices** 10 on Page 144 and 11 on Page 146. The **analysis** predicates and functions are merely aids. They do not effect descriptions, but descriptions are based on the result of their inquiry. Real decisions are made when effecting a **description** function. So the rôle of these modelling choice paragraphs is to alert the describer to make judicious choices.

6.13.1.2 Techniques of Perdurant Analysis & Description

In this chapter we have illustrated the use of the following techniques:

- **Modelling Behaviours as CSP Processes:** With that choice follows then the “standard” CSP techniques of tail-recursive *specification of concurrent processes/behaviours* [237, 239, 238, 336, 340].
- **Interpretation of Internal Endurant Qualities:** As part of the translation of enduring parts to CSP processes follows the interpretation of *unique part identifiers* as constant process identifiers; *part mereologies* as determinant for CSP communication channel indices; *static part attributes* as constant process, “by value” arguments; *programmable part attributes* as such process arguments that can be given new values when tail-recursively [re-]invoked; and *monitorable part attributes* as “residing” in RSL declared variables, one for each part having monitorable attributes.

6.13.1.3 Tools of Perdurant Analysis & Description

In this chapter we have illustrated the use of the following tools:

6.13.1.3.1 Analysis Functions

• <code>calc_all_chn_dcls</code>	Item 261a on Page 141
• <code>calc_chn_refs</code>	Item 260a on Page 141
• <code>calc_io_chn_refs</code>	Item 259 on Page 141
• <code>moni_attr_types</code>	Item 201 on Page 102
• <code>moni_attr_vals</code>	Item 204 on Page 102
• <code>possible_variable_declaration</code>	Item 248 on Page 128
• <code>prgr_attr_types</code>	Item 202 on Page 102
• <code>prgr_attr_vals</code>	Item 206 on Page 103
• <code>stat_attr_types</code>	Item 200 on Page 102
• <code>stat_attr_vals</code>	Item 204 on Page 102

6.13.1.3.2 Description Schemas – Translations

<code>possible_variable_declaration</code> , 128	Translate Endurant, 128
	Translate Material-Parts, 146
Translate Alternative Sorts Set, 145	Translate Part-Materials, 145
Translate Atomic, 143	Translate Part-Parts, 146
Translate Composite, 144	Translate Single Sort Set, 144
Translate Conjoin, 145	Translate Structure, 145

6.13.2 The Analysis & Description Calculus Reviewed

We have completed a first, the main task of this monograph: in Chapter 3 the external analysis & description calculus; in Chapter 4 the internal analysis & description calculus; and in Chapter 6 the transcendental deduction of endurants into perdurants. Appendix C summarises the four languages deployed in **domain analysis & description**.

6.14 Exercise Problems

6.14.1 Research Problems

Exercise 27 A Research Challenge. PED Specification of Flows in Oil Pipelines: We refer to Example 37 on Page 71, Sect. 6.10.1 on Page 154, Appendix Sect. A, and to Exercise 28 on the next page. This research problem addresses an open problem. You are to assume a domain of oil pipelines. In

this monograph many examples and term project exercises show fragments of, respectively are intended to develop, a full domain description of *road transport systems*. Now you have in Appendix A a rather complete description of the endurants of an oil pipeline domain¹².

The problem to be studied, and for which we seek partial domain descriptions in some form of classical, and, perhaps, not so classical mathematics: partial differential equations¹³, PDE, is the *fluid dynamics*¹⁴ of the flow of oil in pipelines – and, for that matter, in any net of part-fluid-material conjoins.

- [Q1] First we ask you to set of the fluid dynamics for each kind of pipeline units: *well*, *pump*, *pipe*, *valve*, *fork*, *join* and *sink*.
- [Q2] Then we ask that you, as a “little, preparatory exercise”, “glue” the fluid dynamics, i.e., their mathematical equations, of pairs of pipeline units:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \infty (well;pump), & \infty (pipe;valve), & \infty (fork;(pipe|pipe))^{15}, \infty (pipe;sink). \\ \infty (pump;pipe), & \infty (valve;pipe), & \infty ((pipe|pipe);join)^{16}, \\ \infty (pipe;pipe), & \infty (pipe;fork), & \infty (join;pipe) \text{ and} \end{array}$$

- [Q3] Finally we ask you to consider the fluid dynamics of an entire pipeline system.^{17,18} That is, for any pipeline system we seek a definite set of possibly somehow “parameterised” definite sets of Peds, or whatever mathematics it takes, to model the full dynamics of any one such pipeline system !
- Make suitable assumptions.¹⁹
- [Q4] Publish the result !
- [Q5] Then start thinking about how to “blend” the PDEs into an RSL specification. What might we mean by ‘blend’ ?²⁰

6.14.2 Student Exercises

Exercise 28 A PhD Student Problem. RSL Specification of Flows in Oil Pipelines: We refer to Sect. 6.10.1 on Page 154. It is now suggested that you, in turn, one-by-one, consider the following sub-problems in the context of your domain of conjugate endurants be that of a ocean, canal and harbour (basin) system with cargo liners.

- Define the external qualities of a domain of shipping lines based on the hinted waterways and vessels – and based on there being shipping lines and terminal port that own, , keep track of operate and service (load, unload) the cargo liner vessels.
- Define relevant internal qualities, one-by-one:

¹² – Examples 13 on Page 48 [Discrete Endurants], 14 on Page 49 [Materials], 30 on Page 59 [Part-Material Conjoins: Pipelines, I] and 37 on Page 71 [Pipeline Parts and Material] addresses this issue.

¹³ – for example: Dale R. Durran, Numerical methods for wave equations in geophysical fluid dynamics, Springer Science & Business Media, New York, 1999

¹⁴ www.sciencedirect.com/handbook/handbook-of-mathematical-fluid-dynamics

¹⁵ – the | operator in $(pipe|pipe)$ is intended to informally express that two *pipes* “emanate” a *fork*

¹⁶ – the | operator in $(pipe|pipe)$ is intended to informally express that two *pipes* “enter” a *join*

¹⁷ Any such pipeline system has its “root” in, say, the formulas of Example 37 on Page 71 and Appendix A where we present a rather comprehensive description of the endurants of a pipeline system.

¹⁸ Recall that an “entire” road transport system is modelled by Examples 43 on Page 89, 46 on Page 91, 47 on Page 91, 48 on Page 92, 57 on Page 99, 58 on Page 100, 60 on Page 100, 62 on Page 107, 64 on Page 109, 39 on Page 74, 76 on Page 128, 80 on Page 137, 82 on Page 147, 83 on Page 149, 84 on Page 150 and 85 on Page 153.

¹⁹ Examples of assumptions are that there are defined all the necessary attributes concerning pipeline units’ liquid flow properties.

²⁰ A standard concern is that of being able to carry out either mathematical logic proofs (of properties) or conventional mathematical reasoning over ‘blended’, say, RSL expressed models and classic mathematical models.

- ⊗ unique identifiers,
 - ⊗ mereologies and,
 - ⊗ a small set of attributes.
- Now single one or two conjugates and cargo lines and terminal ports out for consideration as behaviours. Suggest, in turn,
 - ⊗ an overall state,
 - ⊗ a set of domain model channels,
 - ⊗ signatures of behaviours, and
 - ⊗ definition of behaviours.

Exercise 29 An MSc Student Exercise. Document System Actions: We refer to Exercises 3 on Page 81, 16 on Page 121, 17 on Page 121 and 18 on Page 122. We also refer to Sect. 6.10.1 on Page 154. [Q1] In line with the **conjoin operation schemas**, shown in Sect. 6.10.1, you are to provide **document operation schemas** for the operations mentioned in Exercises 3, 16, 17 and 18. We refer to Exercise 30.

Exercise 30 An MSc Student Exercise. Document System Behaviours: We assume and refer to exercise 29. You are to narrate and formalise the full set of document system perdurants: the channels, cf. Sect. 6.5 on Page 135 and Example 80 on Page 137 the behaviour signatures, cf. Sect. 6.6 on Page 138 and Example 82 on Page 147, the behaviour definitions, cf. Sect. 6.6 on Page 138 and Example 82 on Page 147, and the initial, i.e., the ‘running’ document system, i.e., the “start-up”, cf. Sect. 6.8 on Page 153 and Example 85 on Page 153.

6.14.3 Term Projects

We continue the term projects of Sects. 3.23.3 on Page 82 and 4.12.3 on Page 122.

For the specific domain topic that a group is working on it is to treat, for example, in separate, typically four, consecutive weeks, these topics in the order listed:

- *Channels*, cf. Sect. 6.5 on Page 135 and Example 80 on Page 137;
- *Behaviour Signatures*, cf. Sect. 6.6 on Page 138 and Example 82 on Page 147;
- *Discrete Behaviour Definitions*, cf. Sect. 6.3.4 on Page 129, cf. Example 84 on Page 150;
- *Running Systems*, cf. Sect. 6.8 on Page 153 and Example 85 on Page 153.

Exercise 31 An MSc Student Exercise. The Consumer Market, Perdurants: We refer to Exercises 4 on Page 83 and 20 on Page 122.

Exercise 32 An MSc Student Exercise. Financial Service Industry, Perdurants: We refer to Exercises 5 on Page 83 and 21 on Page 123.

Exercise 33 An MSc Student Exercise. Container Line Industry, Perdurants: We refer to Exercises 6 on Page 83 and 22 on Page 123.

Exercise 34 An MSc Student Exercise. Railway Systems, Perdurants: We refer to Exercises 7 on Page 83 and 23 on Page 123.

Exercise 35 A PhD Student Problem. Part-Material Conjoins: Canals, Perdurants: We refer to Exercises 8 on Page 83 and 24 on Page 123.

Exercise 36 A PhD Student Problem. Part-Materials Conjoins: Rum Production, Perdurants: We refer to Exercises 9 on Page 83 and 25 on Page 123.

Exercise 37 A PhD Student Problem. Part-Materials Conjoins: Waste Management, Perdurants: We refer to Exercises 10 on Page 83 and 26 on Page 123.

These exercise problems are continued in Sects. 7.11.2 on Page 195 and 8.9.2 on Page 243.

DOMAIN FACETS

*In this chapter we introduce the concept of **domain facets**. We cover the following facets: **in-trinsics**, **support technologies**, **rules and regulations**, **scripts**, **license languages**, **management & organisation** and **human behaviour**.*

7.1 Introduction

In Chapters 3–6 we outlined a *method* for analysing & describing domains. In this chapter we cover some domain analysis & description principles and techniques not covered in Chapters 3–6. Those chapters. focused on *manifest domains*. Here we, on one side, go “outside” the realm of *manifest domains*, and, on the other side, cover, what we shall refer to as, *facets*, not covered in Chapters 3–6.

7.1.1 Facets of Domains

By a **domain facet** we shall understand *one amongst a finite set of generic ways of analysing a domain: a view of the domain, such that the different facets cover conceptually different views, and such that these views together cover the domain* ■ Now, the definition of what a *domain facet* is can seem vague. It cannot be otherwise. The definition is sharpened by the definitions of the specific facets. You can say, that the definition of *domain facet* is the “sum” of the definitions of these specific facets. The specific facets – so far¹ – are:

- *in-trinsics* (Sect. 7.2),
- *support technology* (Sect. 7.3),
- *rules & regulations* (Sect. 7.4),
- *scripts* (Sect. 7.5),
- *license languages* (Sect. 7.6),
- *management & organisation* (Sect. 7.7) and
- *human behaviour* (Sect. 7.8).

Of these, the *rules & regulations*, *scripts* and *license languages* are closely related. Vagueness may “pop up”, here and there, in the delineation of facets. It is necessarily so. We are not in a domain of computer science, let alone mathematics, where we can just define ourselves precisely out of any vagueness problems. We are in the domain of (usually) really world facts. And these are often hard to encircle.

7.1.2 Relation to Previous Work

The present chapter is a rather complete rewrite of [52]. The reason for the rewriting was the expected publication of [78]. [52] was finalised already in 2006, 10 years ago, before the analysis & description calculus of [78] had emerged. It was time to revise [52] rather substantially.

¹ We write: ‘so far’ in order to “announce”, or hint that there may be other specific facets. The one listed are the ones we have been able to “isolate”, to identify, in the most recent 10-12 years.

7.1.3 Structure of Chapter

The structure of this chapter follows the seven specific facets, as listed above. Each section, 7.2.–7.8., starts by a definition of that *specific facet*. Then follows an analysis of the abstract concepts involved usually with one or more examples – with these examples making up most of the section. We then “speculate” on derivable requirements thus relating the present chapter to [66]. We close each of the sections, 7.2.–7.8., with some comments on how to model the specific facet of that section.

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Examples 87–108 of sections 7.2–7.8 present quite a variety. In that, they reflect the wide spectrum of facets.

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More generally, domains can be characterised by intrinsically being *endurant*, or *function*, or *event*, or *behaviour intensive*. Software support for activities in such domains then typically amount to database systems, computation-bound systems, real-time embedded systems, respectively distributed process monitoring and control systems. Other than this brief discourse we shall not cover the “intensity”-aspect of domains in this chapter.

7.2 Intrinsic

- By domain *intrinsic* we shall understand those phenomena and concepts of a domain which are basic to any of the other facets (listed earlier and treated, in some detail, below), with such domain *intrinsic* initially covering at least one specific, hence named, stakeholder view ■

7.2.1 Conceptual Analysis

The principles and techniques of domain analysis & description, as unfolded in Chapters 3–6, focused on and resulted in descriptions of the *intrinsic* of domains. They did so in focusing the analysis (and hence the description) on the basic *endurants* and their related *perdurants*, that is, on those parts that most readily present themselves for observation, analysis & description.

Railway Net Intrinsic

Example 87 We narrate and formalise three railway net *intrinsic*.

From the view of *potential train passengers* a railway net consists of lines, $l:L$, with names, $ln:Ln$, stations, $s:S$, with names $sn:Sn$, and trains, $tn:TN$, with names $tnm:Tnm$. A line connects exactly two distinct stations.

scheme NO =

class

type

N, L, S, Sn, Ln, TN, Tnm

value

$obs_Ls: N \rightarrow L\text{-set}, obs_Ss: N \rightarrow S\text{-set}$

$obs_Ln: L \rightarrow Ln, obs_Sn: S \rightarrow Sn$

$obs_Sns: L \rightarrow Sn\text{-set}, obs_Lns: S \rightarrow Ln\text{-set}$

axiom

...

end

N, L, S, Sn and Ln designate nets, lines, stations, station names and line names. One can observe lines and stations from nets, line and station names from lines and stations, pair sets of station names from lines, and lines names (of lines) into and out from a station from stations. Axioms ensure proper graph properties of these concepts.

From the view of *actual train passengers* a railway net — in addition to the above — allows for several lines between any pair of stations and, within stations, provides for one or more platform tracks, $tr:Tr$, with names, $trn:Trn$, from which to embark on or alight from a train.

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scheme N1 = extend N0 with
  class
    type
      Tr, Trn
    value
      obs_Tr: S → Tr-set, obs_Trn: Tr → Trn
    axiom
      ...
  end

```

The only additions are that of track and track name types, related observer functions and axioms.

From the view of *train operating staff* a railway net — in addition to the above — has lines and stations consisting of suitably connected rail units. A rail unit is either a simple (i.e., linear, straight) unit, or is a switch unit, or is a simple crossover unit, or is a switchable crossover unit, etc. Simple units have two connectors. Switch units have three connectors. Simple and switchable crossover units have four connectors. A path, $p:P$, (through a unit) is a pair of connectors of that unit. A state, $\sigma : \Sigma$, of a unit is the set of paths, in the direction of which a train may travel. A (current) state may be empty: The unit is closed for traffic. A unit can be in any one of a number of states of its state space, $\omega : \Omega$.

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scheme N2 = extend N1 with
  class
    type
      U, C
      P' = U × (C × C)
      P = { | p:P' • let (u,(c,c'))=p in (c,c') ∈ U obs_Ω(u) end | }
      Σ = P-set
      Ω = Σ-set
    value
      obs_Us: (N|L|S) → U-set
      obs-Cs: U → C-set
      obs_Σ: U → Σ
      obs_Ω: U → Ω
    axiom
      ...
  end

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Unit and connector types have been added as have concrete types for paths, unit states, unit state spaces and related observer functions, including unit state and unit state space observers.

Different stakeholder perspectives, not only of intrinsic, as here, but of any facet, lead to a number of different models. The name of a phenomenon of one perspective, that is, of one model, may coincide with the name of a “similar” phenomenon of another perspective, that is, of another model, and so on. If the intention is that the “same” names cover comparable phenomena, then the developer must state the comparison relation.

Intrinsic of Switches

Example 88 The intrinsic attribute of a rail switch is that it can take on a number of states. A simple switch ($^c Y_c^{c/}$) has three connectors: $\{c, c_1, c_2\}$. c is the connector of the common rail from which one can

either “go straight” c_{\downarrow} , or “fork” $c_{/}$ (Fig. 7.1). So we have that a possible state space of such a switch

could be $\omega_{gs} \{ \{ \}, \{ (c, c_{\downarrow}) \}, \{ (c_{\downarrow}, c) \}, \{ (c, c_{\downarrow}), (c_{\downarrow}, c) \}, \{ (c, c_{/}) \}, \{ (c_{/}, c) \}, \{ (c, c_{/}), (c_{/}, c) \}, \{ (c_{/}, c), (c_{\downarrow}, c) \}, \{ (c, c_{\downarrow}), (c_{\downarrow}, c), (c_{/}, c) \}, \{ (c, c_{/}), (c_{/}, c), (c_{\downarrow}, c) \}, \{ (c, c_{\downarrow}), (c_{\downarrow}, c), (c_{/}, c), (c_{/}, c) \} \}$

The above models a general switch ideally. Any particular switch ω_{ps} may have $\omega_{ps} \subset \omega_{gs}$. Nothing is said about how a state is determined: who sets and resets it, whether determined solely by the physical position of the switch gear, or also by visible or virtual (i.e., invisible, intangible) signals up or down the rail, away from the switch.

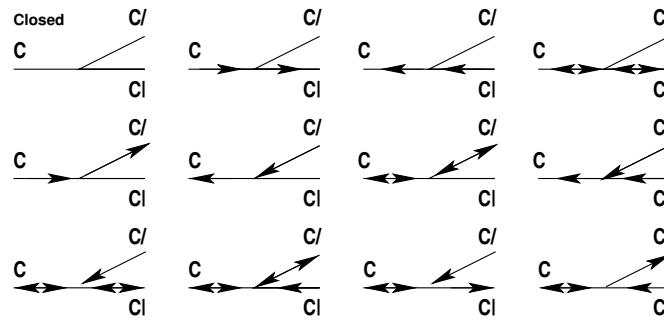


Fig. 7.1. Possible states of a rail switch

An Intrinsic of Documents

Example 89 Think of documents, written, by hand, or typed “onto” a computer text processing system. One way of considering such documents is as follows. First we abstract from the syntax that such a document, or set of more-or-less related documents, or just documents, may have: whether they are letters, with sender and receive addressees, dates written, sent and/or received, opening and closing paragraphs, etc., etc.; or they are books, technical, scientific, novels, or otherwise, or they are application forms, tax returns, patient medical records, or otherwise. Then we focus on the operations that one may perform on documents: their creation, editing, reading, copying, authorisation, “transfer”², “freezing”³, and shredding. Finally we consider documents as manifest parts, cf. Chapter 3, Parts, so documents have unique identifications, in this case, changeable mereology, and a number of attributes. The mereology of a document, d , reflects those other documents upon which a document is based, i.e., refers to, and/or refers to d . Among the attributes of a document we can think of (i) a trace of what has happened to a document, i.e., a trace of all the operations performed on “that” document, since and including creation — with that trace, for example, consisting of time-stamped triples of the essence of the operations, the “actor” of the operation (i.e., the operator), and possibly some abstraction of the locale of the document when operated upon; (ii) a synopsis of what the document text “is all about”, (iii) and some “rendition” of the document text. We refer to experimental technical research report [71].

This view of documents, whether “implementable” or “implemented” or not, is at the basis of our view of license languages (for *digital media*, *health-care* (patient medical record), *documents*, and *transport* (contracts) as that facet is covered in Sect. 7.6.

7.2.2 Requirements

Chapter 8 illustrates requirements “derived” from the intrinsic of a road transport system – as outlined in Chapters 3–6. So the present chapter has little to add to the subject of requirements “derived” from intrinsic.

7.2.3 On Modeling Intrinsic

Chapters 3–6 outline basic principles, techniques and tools for modeling the intrinsic of manifest domains. Modeling the domain intrinsic can often be expressed in property-oriented specification languages (like CafeOBJ [157]), model-oriented specification languages (like Alloy [251], B [1], VDM-SL [88, 89, 154], RSL [176], or Z [374]), event-based languages (like Petri nets or [332] or CSP [238]), respectively in process-based specification languages (like MSCs [249], LSCs [200], Statecharts [199], or CSP [238]). An area not well-developed is that of modeling continuous domain phenomena like the dynamics of automobile, train and aircraft movements, flow in pipelines, etc. We refer to [302].

7.3 Support Technologies

- By a domain **support technology** we shall understand ways and means of implementing certain observed phenomena or certain conceived concepts ■

The “ways and means” may be in the form of “soft technologies”: human manpower, see, however, Sect. 7.8, or in the form of “hard” technologies: electro-mechanics, etc. The term ‘implementing’ is crucial. It is here used in the sense that, $\psi\tau$, which is an ‘implementation’ of a *endurant* or *perdurant*, ϕ , is an *extension* of ϕ , with ϕ being an *abstraction* of $\psi\tau$. We strive for the extensions to be *proof theoretic conservative extensions* [274].

7.3.1 Conceptual Analysis

There are [always] basically two approaches the task of analysing & describing the support technology facets of a domain. One either stumbles over it, or one tries to tackle the issue systematically. The “stumbling” approach occurs when one, in the midst of analysing & describing a domain realises that one is tackling something that satisfies the definition of a support technology facet. In the systematic approach to the analysis & description of the support technology facets of a domain one usually starts with a basically intrinsic facet-oriented domain description. We then suggest that the domain engineer “inquires” of every *endurant* and *perdurant* whether it is an intrinsic entity or, perhaps a support technology.

Railway Support Technology

Example 90 We give a rough sketch description of possible rail unit switch technologies.

(i) In “ye olde” days, rail switches were “thrown” by manual labour, i.e., by railway staff assigned to and positioned at switches.

(ii) With the advent of reasonably reliable mechanics, pulleys and levers⁴ and steel wires, switches were made to change state by means of “throwing” levers in a cabin tower located centrally at the station (with the lever then connected through wires etc., to the actual switch).

(iii) This partial mechanical technology then emerged into electro-mechanics, and cabin tower staff was “reduced” to pushing buttons.

(iv) Today, groups of switches, either from a station arrival point to a station track, or from a station track to a station departure point, are set and reset by means also of electronics, by what is known as interlocking (for example, so that two different routes cannot be open in a station if they cross one another).

⁴ <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pulley> and <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lever>

It must be stressed that Example 90 is just a rough sketch. In a proper narrative description the software (cum domain) engineer must describe, in detail, the subsystem of electronics, electro-mechanics and the human operator interface (buttons, lights, sounds, etc.). An aspect of supporting technology includes recording the state-behaviour in response to external stimuli. We give an example.

Probabilistic Rail Switch Unit State Transitions

Example 91 Figure 7.2 indicates a way of formalising this aspect of a supporting technology. Figure 7.2 intends to model the probabilistic (erroneous and correct) behaviour of a switch when subjected to settings (to switched (S) state) and re-settings (to direct (d) state). A switch may go to the switched state from the direct state when subjected to a switch setting *s* with probability *psd*.

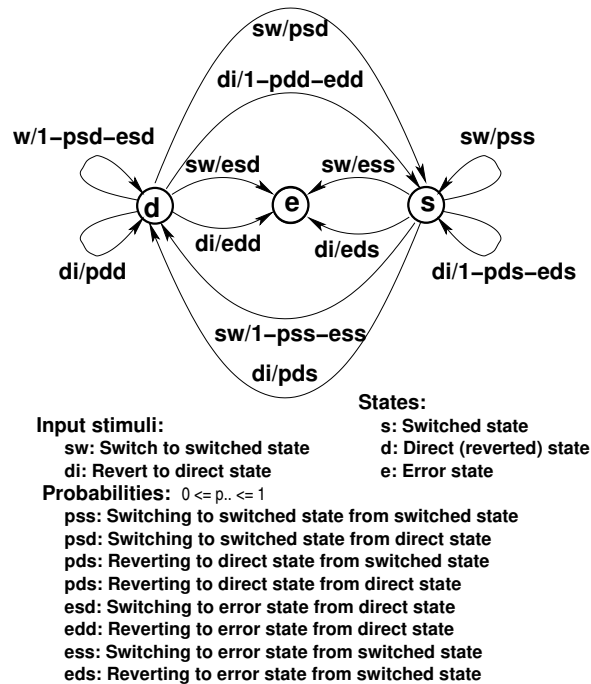


Fig. 7.2. Probabilistic state switching

Traffic Signals

Example 92 A traffic signal represents a technology in support of visualising hub states (transport net road intersection signaling states) and in effecting state changes.

- 294 A traffic signal, $ts:TS$, is here⁵ considered a part with observable hub states and hub state spaces. Hub states and hub state spaces are programmable, respectively static attributes of traffic signals.
- 295 A hub state space, $h\omega$, is a set of hub states such that each current hub state is in that hubs' hub state space.
- 296 A hub state, $h\sigma$, is now modeled as a set of hub triples.
- 297 Each hub triple has a link identifier l_i ("coming from"), a colour (red, yellow or green), and another link identifier l_j ("going to").
- 298 Signaling is now a sequence of one or more pairs of next hub states and time intervals, $ti:TI$, for example: $\langle (h\sigma_1, ti_1), (h\sigma_2, ti_2), \dots, (h\sigma_{n-1}, ti_{n-1}), (h\sigma_n, ti_n) \rangle, n > 0$.
 The idea of a signaling is to first change the designated hub to state $h\sigma_1$, then wait ti_1 time units, then set the designated hub to state $h\sigma_2$, then wait ti_2 time units, et cetera, ending with final state σ_n and a

(supposedly) long time interval ti_n before any decisions are to be made as to another signaling. The set of hub states $\{h\sigma_1, h\sigma_2, \dots, h\sigma_{n-1}\}$ of $\langle (h\sigma_1, ti_1), (h\sigma_2, ti_2), \dots, (h\sigma_{n-1}, ti_{n-1}), (h\sigma_n, ti_n) \rangle, n > 0$, is called the set of intermediate states. Their purpose is to secure an orderly phase out of green via yellow to red and phase in of red via yellow to green in some order for the various directions. We leave it to the reader to devise proper well-formedness conditions for signaling sequences as they depend on the hub topology.

299 A street signal (a semaphore) is now abstracted as a map from pairs of hub states to signaling sequences.

The idea is that given a hub one can observe its semaphore, and given the state, $h\sigma$ (not in the above set), of the hub “to be signaled” and the state $h\sigma_n$ into which that hub is to be signal-led “one looks up” under that pair in the semaphore and obtains the desired signaling.

type

294 $TS \equiv H, H\Sigma, H\Omega$

value

295 $\text{attr_H}\Sigma: H, TS \rightarrow H\Sigma$

295 $\text{attr_H}\Omega: H, TS \rightarrow H\Omega$

type

296 $H\Sigma = \text{Htriple-set}$

296 $H\Omega = H\Sigma\text{-set}$

297 $\text{Htriple} = LI \times \text{Colour} \times LI$

axiom

295 $\forall ts: TS \cdot \text{attr_H}\Sigma(ts) \in \text{attr_H}\Omega(ts)$

type

297 $\text{Colour} == \text{red} \mid \text{yellow} \mid \text{green}$

298 $\text{Signaling} = (H\Sigma \times TI)^*$

298 TI

299 $\text{Semaphore} = (H\Sigma \times H\Sigma) \xrightarrow{\text{map}} \text{Signalling}$

value

299 $\text{attr_Semaphore}: TS \rightarrow \text{Semaphore}$

300 We treat hubs as processes with hub state spaces and semaphores as static attributes and hub states as programmable attributes. We ignore other attributes and input/outputs.

301 We can think of the change of hub states as taking place based the result of some internal, non-deterministic choice.

value

300. $\text{hub}: HI \times LI\text{-set} \times (H\Omega \times \text{Semaphore}) \rightarrow H\Sigma \text{ in } \dots \text{ out } \dots \text{ Unit}$

300. $\text{hub}(hi, lis, (h\omega, \text{sema}))(h\sigma) \equiv$

300. \dots

301. $\square \text{ let } h\sigma': HI \cdot \dots \text{ in } \text{hub}(hi, lis, (h\omega, \text{sema}))(\text{signaling}(h\sigma, h\sigma')) \text{ end}$

300. \dots

300. **pre:** $\{h\sigma, h\sigma'\} \subseteq h\omega$

where we do not bother about the selection of $h\sigma'$.

302 Given two traffic signal, i.e., hub states, $h\sigma_{\text{init}}$ and $h\sigma_{\text{end}}$, where $h\sigma_{\text{init}}$ designates a present hub state and $h\sigma_{\text{end}}$ designates a desired next hub state after signaling.

303 Now *signaling* is a sequence of one or more successful hub state changes.

value

302 $\text{signaling}: (H\Sigma \times H\Sigma) \times \text{Semaphore} \rightarrow H\Sigma \rightarrow H\Sigma$

303 $\text{signaling}(h\sigma_{\text{init}}, h\sigma_{\text{end}}, \text{sema})(h\sigma) \equiv$

303 **let** $sg = \text{sema}(h\sigma_{\text{init}}, h\sigma_{\text{end}})$ **in**

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303   signal_sequence(sg)(hσ) end
303   pre hσinit = hσ ∧ (hσinit, hσend) ∈ dom sema

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If a desired hub state change fails (i.e., does not meet the **pre**-condition, or for other reasons (e.g., failure of technology)), then we do not define the outcome of signaling.

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303   signal_sequence(⟨⟩)(hσ) ≡ hσ
303   signal_sequence(⟨(hσ', ti)⟩^sg)(hσ) ≡
303       wait(ti); signal_sequence(sg)(hσ')

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We omit expression of a number of well-formedness conditions, e.g., that the *htriple* link identifiers are those of the corresponding mereology (*lis*), et cetera. The design of the semaphore, for a single hub or for a net of connected hubs has many similarities with the design of interlocking tables for railway tracks [230].

Another example shows another aspect of support technology: Namely that the technology must guarantee certain of its own behaviours, so that software designed to interface with this technology, together with the technology, meets dependability requirements.

Railway Optical Gates

Example 93 Train traffic (*itf*:*iTF*), intrinsically, is a total function over some time interval, from time (*t*:*T*) to continuously positioned (*p*:*P*) trains (*tn*:*TN*). Conventional optical gates sample, at regular intervals, the intrinsic train traffic. The result is a sampled traffic (*stf*:*sTF*). Hence the collection of all optical gates, for any given railway, is a partial function from intrinsic to sampled train traffics (*stf*). We need to express quality criteria that any optical gate technology should satisfy — relative to a necessary and sufficient description of a **closeness** predicate. The following axiom does that:

For all intrinsic traffics, *itf*, and for all optical gate technologies, *og*, the following must hold: Let *stf* be the traffic sampled by the optical gates. For all time points, *t*, in the sampled traffic, those time points must also be in the intrinsic traffic, and, for all trains, *tn*, in the intrinsic traffic at that time, the train must be observed by the optical gates, and the actual position of the train and the sampled position must somehow be check-able to be close, or identical to one another.

Since units change state with time, *n*:*N*, the railway net, needs to be part of any model of traffic.

type

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T, TN
P = U*
NetTraffic == net:N trf:(TN → P)
iTF = T → NetTraffic
sTF = T → NetTraffic
oG = iTF → sTF

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value

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close: NetTraffic × TN × NetTraffic → Bool

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axiom

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∀ itf:iTF, og:OG • let stt = og(itf) in
  ∀ t:T • t ∈ dom stt ⇒
    ∀ Tn:TN • tn ∈ dom trf(itf(t))
      ⇒ tn ∈ dom trf(stt(t)) ∧ close(itf(t), tn, stt(t)) end

```

Check-ability is an issue of testing the optical gates when delivered for conformance to the **closeness** predicate, i.e., to the axiom.

7.3.2 Requirements

Section 4.4 [Extension] of [66] illustrates a possible toll-gate, whose behaviour exemplifies a support technology. So do pumps of a pipe-line system such as illustrated in Examples 24, 29 and 42–44 in [78]. A pump of a pipe-line system gives rise to several forms of support technologies: from the Egyptian Shadoof [irrigation] pumps, and the Hellenic Archimedian screw pumps, via the 11th century Su Song pumps of China⁶, and the hydraulic “technologies” of Moorish Spain⁷ to the centrifugal and gear pumps of the early industrial age, et cetera. The techniques – to mention those that have influenced this author – of [380, 256, 301, 230] appears to apply well to the modeling of support technology requirements.

7.3.3 On Modeling Support Technologies

Support technologies in their relation to the domain in which they reside typically reflect real-time embeddedness. As such the techniques and languages for modeling support technologies resemble those for modeling event and process intensity, while temporal notions are brought into focus. Hence typical modeling notations include event-based languages (like Petri nets [332] or CSP [238]), respectively process-based specification languages (like MSCs, [249], LSCs [200], Statecharts [199], or CSP [238]), as well as temporal languages (like the Duration Calculus and [380] and Temporal Logic of Actions, TLA+) [263]).

7.4 Rules & Regulations

- By a **domain rule** we shall understand some text (in the domain) which prescribes how people or equipment are expected to behave when dispatching their duties, respectively when performing their functions ■
- By a **domain regulation** we shall understand some text (in the domain) which prescribes what remedial actions are to be taken when it is decided that a rule has not been followed according to its intention ■

The domain rules & regulations need or may not be explicitly present, i.e., written down. They may be part of the “folklore”, i.e., tacitly assumed and understood.

7.4.1 Conceptual Analysis

Trains at Stations

Example 94

- Rule: In China the arrival and departure of trains at, respectively from, railway stations is subject to the following rule:
In any three-minute interval at most one train may either arrive to or depart from a railway station.
- Regulation: *If it is discovered that the above rule is not obeyed*, then there is some regulation which prescribes administrative or legal management and/or staff action, as well as some correction to the railway traffic.

Trains Along Lines

Example 95

- Rule: In many countries railway lines (between stations) are segmented into blocks or sectors. The purpose is to stipulate that if two or more trains are moving along the line, then:

⁶ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Su_Song

⁷ <http://www.islamicspain.tv/Arts-and-Science/The-Culture-of-Al-Andalus/Hydraulic-Technology.htm>

There must be at least one free sector (i.e., without a train) between any two trains along a line.

- **Regulation:** *If it is discovered that the above rule is not obeyed*, then there is some regulation which prescribes administrative or legal management and/or staff action, as well as some correction to the railway traffic.

At a meta-level, i.e., explaining the general framework for describing the syntax and semantics of the human-oriented domain languages for expressing rules and regulations, we can say the following: There are, abstractly speaking, usually three kinds of languages involved wrt. (i.e., when expressing) rules and regulations (respectively when invoking actions that are subject to rules and regulations). Two languages, **Rules** and **Reg**, exist for describing rules, respectively regulations; and one, **Stimulus**, exists for describing the form of the [always current] domain action stimuli. A syntactic stimulus, **sy_sti**, denotes a function, **se_sti**:STI: $\Theta \rightarrow \Theta$, from any configuration to a next configuration, where configurations are those of the system being subjected to stimulations. A syntactic rule, **sy_rul**:Rule, stands for, i.e., has as its semantics, its meaning, **rul**:RUL, a predicate over current and next configurations, $(\Theta \times \Theta) \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$, where these next configurations have been brought about, i.e., caused, by the stimuli. These stimuli express: If the predicate holds then the stimulus will result in a valid next configuration.

type

Stimulus, Rule, Θ

STI = $\Theta \rightarrow \Theta$

RUL = $(\Theta \times \Theta) \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$

value

meaning: Stimulus \rightarrow STI

meaning: Rule \rightarrow RUL

valid: Stimulus \times Rule $\rightarrow \Theta \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$

$\text{valid}(\text{sy_sti}, \text{sy_rul})(\theta) \equiv \text{meaning}(\text{sy_rul})(\theta, (\text{meaning}(\text{sy_sti}))(\theta))$

A syntactic regulation, **sy_reg**:Reg (related to a specific rule), stands for, i.e., has as its semantics, its meaning, a semantic regulation, **se_reg**:REG, which is a pair. This pair consists of a predicate, **pre_reg**:Pre_REG, where Pre_REG = $(\Theta \times \Theta) \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$, and a domain configuration-changing function, **act_reg**:Act_REG, where Act_REG = $\Theta \rightarrow \Theta$, that is, both involving current and next domain configurations. The two kinds of functions express: If the predicate holds, then the action can be applied. The predicate is almost the inverse of the rules functions. The action function serves to undo the stimulus function.

type

Reg

Rul_and_Reg = Rule \times Reg

REG = Pre_REG \times Act_REG

Pre_REG = $\Theta \times \Theta \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$

Act_REG = $\Theta \rightarrow \Theta$

value

interpret: Reg \rightarrow REG

The idea is now the following: Any action (i.e., event) of the system, i.e., the application of any stimulus, may be an action (i.e., event) in accordance with the rules, or it may not. Rules therefore express whether stimuli are valid or not in the current configuration. And regulations therefore express whether they should be applied, and, if so, with what effort. More specifically, there is usually, in any current system configuration, given a set of pairs of rules and regulations. Let **(sy_rul, sy_reg)** be any such pair. Let **sy_sti** be any possible stimulus. And let θ be the current configuration. Let the stimulus, **sy_sti**, applied in that configuration result in a next configuration, θ' , where $\theta' = (\text{meaning}(\text{sy_sti}))(\theta)$. Let θ' violate the rule, $\sim \text{valid}(\text{sy_sti}, \text{sy_rul})(\theta)$, then if predicate part, **pre_reg**, of the meaning of the regulation, **sy_reg**, holds in that violating next configuration, **pre_reg**($\theta, (\text{meaning}(\text{sy_sti}))(\theta)$), then the action part, **act_reg**, of the meaning of the regulation, **sy_reg**, must be applied, **act_reg**(θ), to remedy the situation.

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axiom
   $\forall$  (sy_rul,sy_reg):Rul_and_Reg •
    let se_rul = meaning(sy_rul),
      (pre_reg,act_reg) = meaning(sy_reg) in
       $\forall$  sy_sti:Stimulus,  $\theta:\Theta$  •
         $\sim$ valid(sy_sti,se_rul)( $\theta$ )
           $\Rightarrow$  pre_reg( $\theta$ ,meaning(sy_sti))( $\theta$ )
           $\Rightarrow \exists n\theta:\Theta \cdot$  act_reg( $\theta$ )= $n\theta \wedge$  se_rul( $\theta,n\theta$ )
end

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It may be that the regulation predicate fails to detect applicability of regulations actions. That is, the interpretation of a rule differs, in that respect, from the interpretation of a regulation. Such is life in the domain, i.e., in actual reality.

7.4.2 Requirements

Implementation of rules & regulations implies *monitoring* and partially *controlling* the states symbolised by Θ in Sect. 7.4.1. Thus some *partial implementation* of Θ must be required; as must some monitoring of states $\theta:\Theta$ and implementation of the predicates *meaning*, *valid*, *interpret*, *pre_reg* and action(s) *act_reg*. The emerging requirements follow very much in the line of support technology requirements.

7.4.3 On Modeling Rules and Regulations

Usually rules (as well as regulations) are expressed in terms of domain entities, including those grouped into “the state”, functions, events, and behaviours. Thus the full spectrum of model-ing techniques and notations may be needed. Since rules usually express properties one often uses some combination of axioms and wellformedness predicates. Properties sometimes include temporality and hence temporal notations (like Duration Calculus or Temporal Logic of Actions) are used. And since regulations usually express state (restoration) changes one often uses state changing notations (such as found in Allard [251], B or event-B [1], RSL [176], VDM-SL [88, 89, 154], and Z [374]). In some cases it may be relevant to model using some constraint satisfaction notation [9] or some Fuzzy Logic notations [354].

7.5 Scripts

- By a **domain script** we shall understand the structured, almost, if not outright, formally expressed, wording of a procedure on how to proceed, one that has legally binding power, that is, which may be contested in a court of law ■

7.5.1 Conceptual Analysis

Rules & regulations are usually expressed, even when informally so, as predicates. Scripts, in their procedural form, are like instructions, as for an algorithm.

A Casually Described Bank Script

Example 96 Our formulation amounts to just a (casual) rough sketch. It is followed by a series of four large examples. Each of these elaborate on the theme of (bank) scripts. The problem area is that of how repayments of mortgage loans are to be calculated. At any one time a mortgage loan has a balance, a most recent previous date of repayment, an interest rate and a handling fee. When a repayment occurs, then the following calculations shall take place: (i) the interest on the balance of the loan since the most recent repayment, (ii) the handling fee, normally considered fixed, (iii) the effective repayment — being the difference between the repayment and the sum of the interest and the handling fee — and the new balance, being the difference between the old balance and the effective repayment. We assume repay-

ments to occur from a designated account, say a demand/deposit account. We assume that bank to have designated fee and interest income accounts. (i) The interest is subtracted from the mortgage holder's demand/deposit account and added to the bank's interest (income) account. (ii) The handling fee is subtracted from the mortgage holder's demand/deposit account and added to the bank's fee (income) account. (iii) The effective repayment is subtracted from the mortgage holder's demand/deposit account and also from the mortgage balance. Finally, one must also describe deviations such as overdue repayments, too large, or too small repayments, and so on.

A Formally Described Bank Script

Example 97 First we must informally and formally define the bank state: There are clients ($c:C$), account numbers ($a:A$), mortgage numbers ($m:M$), account yields ($ay:AY$) and mortgage interest rates ($mi:MI$). The bank registers, by client, all accounts ($\rho:A_Register$) and all mortgages ($\mu:M_Register$). To each account number there is a balance ($\alpha:Accounts$). To each mortgage number there is a loan ($\ell:Loans$). To each loan is attached the last date that interest was paid on the loan.

value
 $r, r': \text{Real axiom } \dots$

type
 C, A, M, Date
 $AY' = \text{Real}, AY = \{ | ay:AY' \cdot 0 < ay \leq r | \}$
 $MI' = \text{Real}, MI = \{ | mi:MI' \cdot 0 < mi \leq r' | \}$
 $\text{Bank}' = A_Register \times Accounts \times M_Register \times Loans$
 $\text{Bank} = \{ | \beta:\text{Bank}' \cdot wf_Bank(\beta) | \}$
 $A_Register = C \xrightarrow{m} A_set$
 $Accounts = A \xrightarrow{m} \text{Balance}$
 $M_Register = C \xrightarrow{m} M_set$
 $Loans = M \xrightarrow{m} (Loan \times Date)$
 $Loan, \text{Balance} = P$
 $P = \text{Nat}$

Then we must define well-formedness of the bank state:

value
 $ay:AY, mi:MI$
 $wf_Bank: \text{Bank} \rightarrow \text{Bool}$
 $wf_Bank(\rho, \alpha, \mu, \ell) \equiv \cup \text{rng } \rho = \text{dom } \alpha \wedge \cup \text{rng } \mu = \text{dom } \ell$

axiom
 $ay < mi \ [\ \wedge \ \dots \]$

We — perhaps too rigidly — assume that mortgage interest rates are higher than demand/deposit account interest rates: $ay < mi$. Operations on banks are denoted by the commands of the bank script language. First the syntax:

type
 $\text{Cmd} = \text{OpA} \mid \text{CloA} \mid \text{Dep} \mid \text{Wdr} \mid \text{OpM} \mid \text{CloM} \mid \text{Pay}$
 $\text{OpA} == \text{mkOA}(c:C)$
 $\text{CloA} == \text{mkCA}(c:C, a:A)$
 $\text{Dep} == \text{mkD}(c:C, a:A, p:P)$
 $\text{Wdr} == \text{mkW}(c:C, a:A, p:P)$
 $\text{OpM} == \text{mkOM}(c:C, p:P)$
 $\text{Pay} == \text{mkPM}(c:C, a:A, m:M, p:P, d:\text{Date})$
 $\text{CloM} == \text{mkCM}(c:C, m:M, p:P)$
 $\text{Reply} = A \mid M \mid P \mid \text{OkNok}$


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OkNok == ok | notok
value
  period: Date  $\times$  Date  $\rightarrow$  Days [for calculating interest]
  before: Date  $\times$  Date  $\rightarrow$  Bool [first date is earlier than last date]

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And then the semantics:

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int_Cmd(mkPM(c,a,m,p,d))( $\rho, \alpha, \mu, \ell$ )  $\equiv$ 
  let (b,d') =  $\ell(m)$  in
    if  $\alpha(a) \geq p$ 
      then
        let i = interest(mi,b,period(d,d')),
               $\ell' = \ell \dot{+} [m \mapsto \ell(m) - (p-i)]$ ,
               $\alpha' = \alpha \dot{+} [a \mapsto \alpha(a) - p, a_i \mapsto \alpha(a_i) + i]$  in
          (( $\rho, \alpha', \mu, \ell'$ ),ok) end
      else
          (( $\rho, \alpha', \mu, \ell$ ),nok)
      end end
pre  $c \in \text{dom } \mu \wedge a \in \text{dom } \alpha \wedge m \in \mu(c)$ 
post before(d,d')

interest: MI  $\times$  Loan  $\times$  Days  $\rightarrow$  P

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The idea about scripts is that they can somehow be objectively enforced: that they can be precisely understood and consistently carried out by all stakeholders, eventually leading to computerisation. But they are, at all times, part of the domain.

7.5.2 Requirements

Script requirements call for the possibly interactive computerisation of algorithms, that is, for rather classical computing problems. But sometimes these scripts can be expressed, computably, in the form of programs in a domain specific language. As an example we refer to [124]. [124] illustrates how the design of pension and life insurance products, and their administration, reserve calculations, and audit, can be based on a common formal notation. The notation is human-readable and machine-processable, and specialised to the actuarial domain, achieving great expressive power combined with ease of use and safety. More specifically (a) product definitions based on standard actuarial models, including arbitrary continuous-time Markov and semi-Markov models, with cyclic transitions permitted; (b) calculation descriptions for reserves and other quantities of interest, based on differential equations; and (c) administration rules.

7.5.3 On Modeling Scripts

Scripts (as are licenses) are like programs (respectively like prescriptions program executions). Hence the full variety of techniques and notations for modeling programming (or specification) languages apply [14, 187, 334, 339, 352, 367]. [40, Chaps. 6–9] cover pragmatics, semantics and syntax techniques for defining functional, imperative and concurrent programming languages.

7.6 License Languages

License: a right or permission granted in accordance with law by a competent authority to engage in some business or occupation,

to do some act, or to engage in some transaction
which but for such license would be unlawful ■

Merriam Webster Online [286]

7.6.1 Conceptual Analysis

7.6.1.1 The Settings

A special form of scripts are increasingly appearing in some domains, notably the domain of electronic, or digital media. Here *licenses* express that a *licensor*, *o*, *permits* a *licensee*, *u*, to *render* (i.e., play) works of proprietary nature CD ROM-like music, DVD-like movies, etc. while obligating the licensee to pay the licensor on behalf of the owners of these, usually artistic works. Classical digital rights license languages, [27, 11, 121, 122, 123, 246, 117, 186, 196, 270, 293, 289, 272, 262, 337, 326, 325, 4, 294], applied to the electronic “downloading”, payment and rendering (playing) of artistic works (for example music, literature readings and movies). In this chapter we generalise such applications languages and we extend the concept of licensing to also cover work authorisation (work commitment and promises) in health care, public government and schedule transport. The digital works for these new application domains are patient medical records, public government documents and bus/train/aircraft transport contracts. Digital rights licensing for artistic works seeks to safeguard against piracy and to ensure proper payments for the rights to render these works. Health care and public government license languages seek to ensure transparent and professional (accurate and timely) health care, respectively ‘good governance’. Transport contract languages seeks to ensure timely and reliable transport services by an evolving set of transport companies. Proper mathematical definition of licensing languages seeks to ensure smooth and correct computerised management of licenses and contracts.

7.6.1.2 On Licenses

The concepts of licenses and licensing express relations between (i) *actors* (licensors (the authority) and licensees), (ii) *entities* (artistic works, hospital patients, public administration, citizen documents) and bus transport contracts and (iii) *functions* (on entities), and as performed by actors. By issuing a license to a licensee, a licensor wishes to express and enforce certain permissions and obligations: which functions on which entities the licensee is allowed (is licensed, is permitted) to perform. In this chapter we shall consider four kinds of entities: (i) digital recordings of artistic and intellectual nature: music, movies, readings (“audio books”), and the like, (ii) patients in a hospital as represented also by their patient medical records, (iii) documents related to public government, and (iv) transport vehicles, time tables and transport nets (of a buses, trains and aircraft).

7.6.1.3 Permissions and Obligations

The *permissions* and *obligations* issues are, (1) for the owner (agent) of some intellectual property to be paid (an *obligation*) by users when they perform *permitted* operations (rendering, copying, editing, sub-licensing) on their works; (2) for the patient to be professionally treated — by medical staff who are basically *obliged* to try to cure the patient; (3) for public administrators and citizens to enjoy good governance: transparency in law making (national parliaments and local prefectures and city councils), in law enforcement (i.e., the daily administration of laws), and law interpretation (the judiciary) — by agents who are basically *obliged* to produce certain documents while being *permitted* to consult (i.e., read, perhaps copy) other documents; and (4) for bus passengers to enjoy reliable bus schedules — offered by bus transport companies on contract to, say public transport authorities and on sub-contract to other such bus transport companies where these transport companies are *obliged* to honour a contracted schedule.

7.6.2 The Pragmatics

*By **pragmatics** we understand the study and practice of the factors that govern our choice of language in social interaction and the effects of our choice on others.*

In this section we shall rough-sketch-describe pragmatic aspects of the four domains of (1) production, distribution and consumption of artistic works, (2) the hospitalisation of patient, i.e., hospital health care, (3) the handling of law-based document in public government and (4) the operational management of schedule transport vehicles. The emphasis is on the pragmatics of the terms, i.e., the language used in these four domains.

7.6.2.1 Digital Media

Digital Media

Example 98 The intrinsic entities of the performing arts are the artistic works: drama or opera performances, music performances, readings of poems, short stories, novels, or jokes, movies, documentaries, newsreels, etc. We shall limit our span to the scope of electronic renditions of these artistic works: videos, CDs or other. In this chapter we shall not touch upon the technical issues of “downloading”(whether “streaming” or copying, or other). That and other issues should be analysed in [375].

7.6.2.1.1 Operations on Digital Works:

For a consumer to be able to enjoy these works that consumer must (normally first) usually “buy a ticket” to their performances. The consumer, i.e., the theatre, opera, concert, etc., “goer” (usually) cannot copy the performance (e.g., “tape it”), let alone edit such copies of performances. In the context of electronic, i.e., digital renditions of these performances the above “cannots” take on a new meaning. The consumer may copy digital recordings, may edit these, and may further pass on such copies or editions to others. To do so, while protecting the rights of the producers (owners, performers), the consumer requests permission to have the digital works transferred (“downloaded”) from the owner/producer to the consumer, so that the consumer can **render** (“play”) these works on own rendering devices (CD, DVD, etc., players), possibly can **copy** all or parts of them, then possibly can **edit** all or parts of the copies, and, finally, possibly can further **license** these “edited” versions to other consumers subject to payments to “original” licensor.

7.6.2.1.2 License Agreement and Obligation:

To be able to obtain these permissions the user agrees with the wording of some license and pays for the rights to operate on the digital works.

7.6.2.1.3 Two Assumptions:

Two, related assumptions underlie the pragmatics of the electronics of the artistic works. The first assumption is that the format, the electronic representation of the artistic works is proprietary, that is, that the producer still owns that format. Either the format is publicly known or it is not, that is, it is somehow “secret”. In either case we “derive” the second assumption (from the fulfillment of the first). The second assumption is that the consumer is not allowed to, or cannot operate⁸ on the works by own means (software, machines). The second assumption implies that acceptance of a license results in the consumer

receiving software that supports the consumer in performing all operations on licensed works, their copies and edited versions: rendering, copying, editing and sub-licensing.

7.6.2.1.4 Protection of the Artistic Electronic Works:

The issue now is: how to protect the intellectual property (i.e., artistic) and financial (exploitation) rights of the owners of the possibly rendered, copied and edited works, both when, and when not further distributed.

7.6.2.2 Health-care

Health-care

Example 99 Citizens go to hospitals in order to be treated for some calamity (disease or other), and by doing so these citizens become patients. At hospitals patients, in a sense, issue a request to be treated with the aim of full or partial restitution. This request is directed at medical staff, that is, the patient authorises medical staff to perform a set of actions upon the patient. One could claim, as we shall, that the patient issues a license.

7.6.2.2.1 Patients and Patient Medical Records:

So patients and their attendant patient medical records (PMRs) are the main entities, the “works” of this domain. We shall treat them synonymously: PMRs as surrogates for patients. Typical actions on patients — and hence on PMRs — involve admitting patients, interviewing patients, analysing patients, diagnosing patients, planning treatment for patients, actually treating patients, and, under normal circumstance, to finally release patients.

7.6.2.2.2 Medical Staff:

Medical staff may request (‘refer’ to) other medical staff to perform some of these actions. One can conceive of describing action sequences (and ‘referrals’) in the form of hospitalisation (not treatment) plans. We shall call such scripts for licenses.

7.6.2.2.3 Professional Health Care:

The issue is now, given that we record these licenses, their being issued and being honoured, whether the handling of patients at hospitals follow, or does not follow properly issued licenses.

7.6.2.3 Government Documents

Documents

Example 100 By public government we shall, following Charles de Secondat, baron de Montesquieu (1689–1755)⁹, understand a composition of three powers: the law-making (legislative), the law-enforcing and the law-interpreting parts of public government. Typically national parliament and local (province and city) councils are part of law-making government. Law-enforcing government is called the executive (the administration). And law-interpreting government is called the judiciary [system] (including lawyers etc.).

7.6.2.3.1 Documents:

A crucial means of expressing public administration is through *documents*.¹⁰ We shall therefore provide a brief domain analysis of a concept of documents. (This document domain description also applies to

patient medical records and, by some “light” interpretation, also to artistic works — insofar as they also are documents.) Documents are *created*, *edited* and *read*; and documents can be *copied*, *distributed*, the subject of *calculations* (interpretations) and be *shared* and *shredded*.

7.6.2.3.2 Document Attributes:

With documents one can associate, as attributes of documents, the *actors* who created, edited, read, copied, distributed, shared, performed calculations and shredded documents. With these operations on documents, and hence as attributes of documents one can, again conceptually, associate the *location* and *time* of these operations.

7.6.2.3.3 Actor Attributes and Licenses:

With actors (whether agents of public government or citizens) one can associate the *authority* (i.e., the *rights*) these actors have with respect to performing actions on documents. We now intend to express these *authorisations as licenses*.

7.6.2.3.4 Document Tracing:

An issue of public government is whether citizens and agents of public government act in accordance with the laws — with actions and laws reflected in documents such that the action documents enables a trace from the actions to the laws “governing” these actions. We shall therefore assume that every document can be traced back to its law-origin as well as to all the documents any one document-creation or -editing was based on.

7.6.2.4 Transportation

Transportation is one of the prime areas for domain analysis & description: roads and vehicles: private automobiles, buses, trucks, etc., aircraft, shipping, trains.

Passenger and Goods Transport

Example 101

7.6.2.4.1 A Synopsis:

Contracts obligate transport companies to deliver bus traffic according to a timetable. The timetable is part of the contract. A contractor may sub-contract (other) transport companies to deliver bus traffic according to timetables that are sub-parts of their own timetable. Contractors are either public transport authorities or contracted transport companies. Contracted transport companies may cancel a subset of bus rides provided the total amount of cancellations per 24 hours for each bus line does not exceed a contracted upper limit. The cancellation rights are spelled out in the contract. A sub-contractor cannot increase a contracted upper limit for cancellations above what the sub-contractor was told (in its contract) by its contractor. Et cetera.

7.6.2.4.2 A Pragmatics and Semantics Analysis:

The “works” of the bus transport contracts are two: the timetables and, implicitly, the designated (and obligated) bus traffic. A bus timetable appears to define one or more bus lines, with each bus line giving rise to one or more bus rides. Nothing is (otherwise) said about regularity of bus rides. It appears that bus ride cancellations must be reported back to the contractor. And we assume that cancellations by a sub-contractor is further reported back also to the sub-contractor’s contractor. Hence eventually that the public transport authority is notified. Nothing is said, in the contracts, such as we shall model them, about passenger fees for bus rides nor of percentages of profits (i.e., royalties) to be paid back from a sub-contractor to the contractor. So we shall not bother, in this example, about transport costs nor transport

subsidies. But will leave that necessary aspect as an exercise. The opposite of cancellations appears to be ‘insertion’ of extra bus rides, that is, bus rides not listed in the time table, but, perhaps, mandated by special events¹¹ We assume that such insertions must also be reported back to the contractor. We assume concepts of acceptable and unacceptable bus ride delays. Details of delay acceptability may be given in contracts, but we ignore further descriptions of delay acceptability, but assume that unacceptable bus ride delays are also to be (iteratively) reported back to contractors. We finally assume that sub-contractors cannot (otherwise) change timetables. (A timetable change can only occur after, or at, the expiration of a license.) Thus we find that contracts have definite period of validity. (Expired contracts may be replaced by new contracts, possibly with new timetables.)

7.6.2.4.3 Contracted Operations, An Overview:

The actions that may be granted by a contractor according to a contract are: (i) *start*: to commence, i.e., to start, a bus ride (obligated); (ii) *end*: to conclude a bus ride (obligated); (iii) *cancel*: to cancel a bus ride (allowed, with restrictions); (iv) *insert*: to insert a bus ride; and (v) *subcontract*: to sub-contract part or all of a contract.

7.6.3 Schematic Rendition of License Language Constructs

There are basically two aspects to licensing languages: (i) the [actual] *licensing* [and sub-licensing], in the form of *licenses*, ℓ , by *licensors*, o , of *permissions* and thereby implied *obligations*, and (ii) the carrying-out of these obligations in the form of *licensee*, u , *actions*. We shall treat licensors and licensees on par, that is, some os are also us and vice versa. And we shall think of licenses as not necessarily material entities (e.g., paper documents), but allow licenses to be tacitly established (understood).

7.6.3.1 Licensing

The granting of a license ℓ by a licensor o , to a set of licensees $u_{u_1}, u_{u_2}, \dots, u_{u_u}$ in which ℓ expresses that these may perform actions $a_{a_1}, a_{a_2}, \dots, a_{a_a}$ on work items $e_{e_1}, e_{e_2}, \dots, e_{e_e}$ can be schematised:

ℓ : **licensor** o **contracts licensees** $\{u_{u_1}, u_{u_2}, \dots, u_{u_u}\}$
to perform actions $\{a_{a_1}, a_{a_2}, \dots, a_{a_a}\}$ **on work items** $\{e_{e_1}, e_{e_2}, \dots, e_{e_e}\}$
allowing sub-licensing of actions $\{a_{a_i}, a_{a_j}, \dots, a_{a_k}\}$ **to** $\{u_{u_x}, u_{u_y}, \dots, u_{u_z}\}$

The two sets of action designators, $das : \{a_{a_1}, a_{a_2}, \dots, a_{a_a}\}$ and $sas : \{a_{a_x}, a_{a_y}, \dots, a_{a_z}\}$ need not relate. **Sub-licensing:** Line 3 of the above schema, ℓ , expresses that licensees $u_{u_1}, u_{u_2}, \dots, u_{u_u}$, may act as licensors and (thereby sub-)license ℓ to licensees $us : \{u_{u_x}, u_{u_y}, \dots, u_{u_z}\}$, distinct from $sus : \{u_{u_1}, u_{u_2}, \dots, u_{u_u}\}$, that is, $us \cap sus = \{\}$. **Variants:** One can easily “cook up” any number of variations of the above license schema. **Revoke Licenses:** We do not show expressions for revoking part or all of a previously granted license.

7.6.3.2 Licensors and Licensees

Licensors and Licensees

Example 102

7.6.3.2.1 Digital Media:

For digital media the original licensors are the original producers of music, film, etc. The “original” licensees are you and me ! Thereafter some of us may become licensors, etc.

7.6.3.2.2 Health-care:

For health-care the original licensors are, say in Denmark, the Danish governments’ National Board of Health¹²; and the “original” licensees are the national hospitals. These then sub-license their medical clin-

ics (rheumatology, cancer, urology, gynecology, orthopedics, neurology, etc.) which again sub-licenses their medical staff (doctors, nurses, etc.). A medical doctor may, as is the case in Denmark for certain actions, not [necessarily] perform these but may sub-license their execution to nurses, etc.

7.6.3.2.3 Documents:

For government documents the original licensors are the (i) heads of parliament, regional and local governments, (ii) government (prime minister) and the heads of respective ministries, respectively the regional and local agencies and administrations. The “original” licensees are (i') the members of parliament, regional and local councils charged with drafting laws, rules and regulations, (ii') the ministry, respectively the regional and local agency department heads. These (the 's) then become licensors when licensing their staff to handle specific documents.

7.6.3.2.4 Transport:

For scheduled passenger (etc.) transportation the original licensors are the state, regional and/or local transport authorities. The “original” licensees are the public and private transport firms. These latter then become licensors licensing drivers to handle specific transport lines and/or vehicles.

7.6.3.3 Actors and Actions

In preparation for Example 103 we show Figure 7.3.

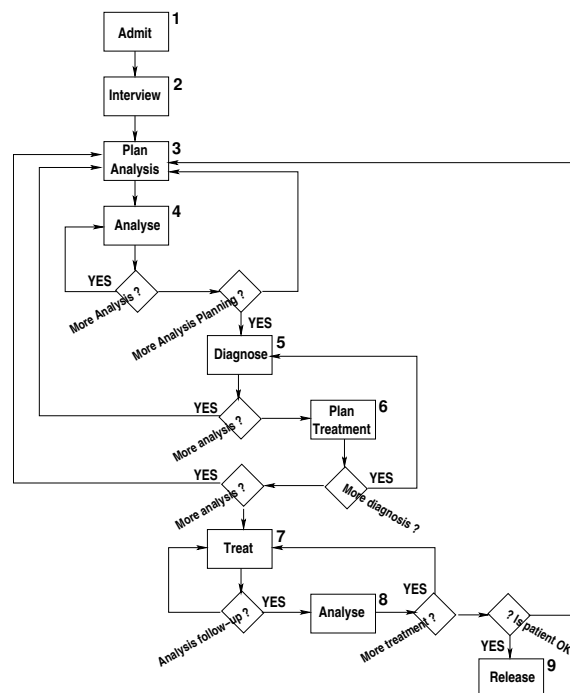


Fig. 7.3. An example single-illness non-fatal hospitalisation plan. States: {1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9}

Actors and Actions

Example 103

7.6.3.3.1 Digital Media:

w refers to a digital “work” with w' designating a newly created one; s_i refers to a sector of some work.

- **render** $w(s_i, s_j, \dots, s_k)$:
 - ∞ sectors s_i, s_j, \dots, s_k of work w
 - ∞ are rendered (played, visualised) in that order.
- $w' \mathrel{:=}$ **copy** $w(s_i, s_j, \dots, s_k)$:
 - ∞ sectors s_i, s_j, \dots, s_k of work w
 - ∞ are copied and becomes work w' .
- $w' \mathrel{:=}$ **edit** w **with** $\mathcal{E}(w_\alpha(s_a, s_b, \dots, s_c), \dots, w_\gamma(s_p, s_q, \dots, s_r))$:
 - ∞ work w is edited
 - ∞ while [also] incorporating references to or excerpts from [other] works
 - ∞ $w_\alpha(s_a, s_b, \dots, s_c), \dots, w_\gamma(s_p, s_q, \dots, s_r)$.
- **read** w :
 - ∞ work w is read, i.e., information about work w is somehow displayed.
- ℓ : **licensor** m **contracts licensees** $\{u_{u_1}, u_{u_2}, \dots, u_{u_n}\}$
 - ∞ **to perform actions** $\{\text{RENDER, COPY, EDIT, READ}\}$
 - ∞ **on work items** $\{w_{i_1}, w_{i_2}, \dots, w_{i_w}\}$.

Et cetera: other forms of actions can be thought of.

7.6.3.3.2 Health-care:

- Actors are here limited to the patients and the medical staff.
- We refer to Fig. 7.3 on the previous page.
- It shows an archetypal hospitalisation plan.
 - ∞ It identifies a number of actions;
 - ∞ π designates patients,
 - ∞ t designates treatment (medication, surgery, ...).
- Actions are performed by medical staff, say h , with h being an implicit argument of the actions.
- **interview** π : a PMR with name, age, family relations, addresses, etc., is established for patient π .
- **admit** π : the PMR records the anamnese (medical history) for patient π .
- **establish analysis plan** π : the PMR records which analyses (blood tests, ECG, blood pressure, etc.) are to be carried out.
- **analyse** π : the PMR records the results of the analyses referred to previously.
- **diagnose** π : medical staff h diagnoses, based on the analyses most recently performed.
- **plan treatment for** π : medical staff h sets up a treatment plan for patient π based on the diagnosis most recently performed.
- **treat** π **wrt.** t : medical staff h performs treatment t on patient π , observes “reaction” and records this in the PMR. Predicate “actions”:
- **more analysis** π ?,
- **more treatment** π ? and
- **more diagnosis** π ?.
- **release** π : either the patient dies or is declared ready to be sent ‘home’.
- ℓ : **licensor** o **contracts medical staff** $\{m_{m_1}, m_{m_2}, \dots, m_{m_m}\}$
 - ∞ **to perform actions**

∞ { INTERVIEW,	∞ PLAN ANALYSIS,	∞ DIAGNOSE,	∞ TREAT,
∞ ADMIT,	∞ ANALYSE,	∞ PLAN TREATMENT,	∞ RELEASE}
 - ∞ **on patients** $\{\pi_{p_1}, \pi_{p_2}, \dots, \pi_{p_p}\}$.

Et cetera: other forms of actions can be thought of.

7.6.3.3 Documents:

d refer to documents with d' designating new documents.

- **$d' := \text{create based on } d_x, d_y, \dots, d_z$** : A new document, named d' , is created, with no information “contents”, but referring to existing documents d_x, d_y, \dots, d_z .
- **$\text{edit } d \text{ with } \mathcal{E} \text{ based on } d_{n_\alpha}, d_\beta, \dots, d_\gamma$** : document d is edited with \mathcal{E} being the editing function and \mathcal{E}^{-1} being its “undo” inverse.
- **$\text{read } d$** : document d is being read.
- **$d' := \text{copy } d$** : document d is copied into a new document named d' .
- **$\text{freeze } d$** : document d can, from now on, only be read.
- **$\text{shred } d$** : document d is shredded. That is, no more actions can be performed on d .
- **$\ell : \text{licensor } \mathbf{o} \text{ contracts civil service staff } \{c_{c_1}, c_{c_2}, \dots, c_{c_c}\} \text{ to perform actions } \{\text{CREATE, EDIT, READ, COPY, FREEZE, SHRED}\} \text{ on documents } \{d_{d_1}, d_{d_2}, \dots, d_{d_d}\}$** .

Et cetera: other forms of actions can be thought of.

7.6.3.4 Transport:

- We restrict, without loss of generality, to bus transport.
 - ∞ There is a timetable, tt .
 - ∞ It records bus lines, l , and specific instances of bus rides, b .
- These are some archetypal operations:
 - ∞ **$\text{start bus ride } l, b \text{ at time } t$** : Bus line l is recorded in tt and its departure in tt is recorded as τ . Starting that bus ride at t means that the start is either on time, i.e., $t=\tau$, or the start is delayed $\delta_d : \tau-t$ or advanced $\delta_a : t-\tau$ where δ_d and δ_a are expected to be small intervals. All this is to be reported, in due time, to the contractor.
 - ∞ **$\text{end bus ride } l, b \text{ at time } t$** : Ending bus ride l, b at time t means that it is either ended on time, or earlier, or delayed. This is to be reported, in due time, to the contractor.
 - ∞ **$\text{cancel bus ride } l, b \text{ at time } t$** : t must be earlier than the scheduled departure of bus ride l, b .
 - ∞ **$\text{insert an extra bus } l, b' \text{ at time } t$** : t must be the same time as the scheduled departure of bus ride l, b with b' being a “marked” version of b .
 - ∞ **$\ell : \text{licensor } \mathbf{o} \text{ contracts transport staff } \{b_{b_1}, b_{b_2}, \dots, b_{b_b}\} \text{ to perform actions } \{\text{START, END, CANCEL, INSERT}\} \text{ on work items } \{e_{e_1}, e_{e_2}, \dots, e_{e_e}\}$** .

Et cetera: other forms of actions can be thought of.

7.6.4 Requirements

Requirements for license language implementation basically amounts to requirements for three aspects. (i) The design of the license language, its abstract and concrete syntax, its interpreter, and its interfaces to distributed licensor and licensee behaviours; (ii) the requirements for a distributed system of licensor and licensee behaviours; and (iii) the monitoring and partial control of the states of licensor and licensee behaviours. The structuring of these distributed licensor and licensee behaviours differ from slightly to somewhat, but not that significant in the four license languages examples. Basically the licensor and licensee behaviours form a set of behaviours. Basically everyone can communicate with everyone. For the case of **digital media** licensee behaviours communicate back to licensor behaviours whenever a properly licensed action is performed – resulting in the transfer of funds from licensees to licensors. For the case of **health care** some central authority is expected to validate the granting of licenses and appear to be bound by medical training. For the case of **documents** such checks appear to be bound by predetermined authorisation rules. For the case of **transport** one can perhaps speak of more rigid management & organisation dependencies as licenses are traditionally transferred between independent authorities and companies.

7.6.5 On Modeling License Languages

Licensors are expected to maintain a state which records all the licenses it has issued. Whenever a licensee “reports back” (the begin and/or the end) of the performance of a granted action, this is recorded in its state. Sometimes these granted actions are subject to fees. The licensor therefore calculates outstanding fees — etc. Licensees are expected to maintain a state which records all the licenses it has accepted. Whenever an action is to be performed the licensee records this and checks that it is permitted to perform this action. In many cases the licensee is expected to “report back”, both the beginning and the end of performance of that action, to the licensor. A typical technique of modeling licensors, licensees and patients, i.e., their PMRs, is to model them as (never ending) processes, a la CSP [238], with input/output, $ch ?/ch ! m$, communications between licensors, licensees and PMRs. Their states are modeled as programmable attributes.

7.7 Management & Organisation

- By **domain management** we shall understand such people (such decisions) (i) who (which) determine, formulate and thus set standards (cf. rules and regulations, Sect. 7.4) concerning strategic, tactical and operational decisions; (ii) who ensure that these decisions are passed on to (lower) levels of management and to floor staff; (iii) who make sure that such orders, as they were, are indeed carried out; (iv) who handle undesirable deviations in the carrying out of these orders cum decisions; and (v) who “backstops” complaints from lower management levels and from “floor” staff ■
- By **domain organisation** we shall understand (vi) the structuring of management and non-management staff “oversee-able” into clusters with “tight” and “meaningful” relations; (vii) the allocation of strategic, tactical and operational concerns to within management and non-management staff clusters; and hence (viii) the “lines of command”: who does what, and who reports to whom, administratively and functionally ■

The ‘&’ is justified from the interrelations of items (i–viii).

7.7.1 Conceptual Analysis

We first bring some examples.

Train Monitoring, I

Example 104 In China, as an example, till the early 1990s, rescheduling of trains occurs at stations and involves telephone negotiations with neighbouring stations (“up and down the lines”). Such rescheduling negotiations, by phone, imply reasonably strict management and organisation (M&O). This kind of M&O reflects the geographical layout of the rail net.

Railway Management and Organisation: Train Monitoring, II

Example 105 We single out a rather special case of railway management and organisation. Certain (lowest-level operational and station-located) supervisors are responsible for the day-to-day timely progress of trains within a station and along its incoming and outgoing lines, and according to given timetables. These supervisors and their immediate (middle-level) managers (see below for regional managers) set guidelines (for local station and incoming and outgoing lines) for the monitoring of train traffic, and for controlling trains that are either ahead of or behind their schedules. By an incoming and an outgoing line we mean part of a line between two stations, the remaining part being handled by neighbouring station management. Once it has been decided, by such a manager, that a train is not following its schedule, based on information monitored by non-management staff, then that manager directs that staff: (i) to suggest a new schedule for the train in question, as well as for possibly affected other trains, (ii) to negotiate the new schedule with appropriate neighbouring stations, until a proper reschedule can be de-

cided upon, by the managers at respective stations, (iii) and to enact that new schedule.¹³ A (middle-level operations) manager for regional traffic, i.e., train traffic involving several stations and lines, resolves possible disputes and conflicts.

The above, albeit rough-sketch description, illustrated the following management and organisation issues: (i) There is a set of lowest-level (as here: train traffic scheduling and rescheduling) supervisors and their staff; (ii) they are organised into one such group (as here: per station); (iii) there is a middle-level (as here: regional train traffic scheduling and rescheduling) manager (possibly with some small staff), organised with one such per suitable (as here: railway) region; and (iv) the guidelines issued jointly by local and regional (...) supervisors and managers imply an organisational structuring of lines of information provision and command.

People staff enterprises, the components of infrastructures with which we are concerned, i.e., for which we develop software. The larger these enterprises — these infrastructure components — the more need there is for management and organisation. The role of management is roughly, for our purposes, twofold: first, to perform strategic, tactical and operational work, to set strategic, tactical and operational policies — and to see to it that they are followed. The role of management is, second, to react to adverse conditions, that is, to unforeseen situations, and to decide how they should be handled, i.e., conflict resolution. Policy setting should help non-management staff operate normal situations — those for which no management interference is thus needed. And management “backstops” problems: management takes these problems off the shoulders of non-management staff. To help management and staff know who’s in charge wrt. policy setting and problem handling, a clear conception of the overall organisation is needed. Organisation defines lines of communication within management and staff, and between these. Whenever management and staff has to turn to others for assistance they usually, in a reasonably well-functioning enterprise, follow the command line: the paths of organigrams — the usually hierarchical box and arrow/line diagrams.

The *management and organisation* model of a domain is a partial specification; hence all the usual abstraction and modeling principles, techniques and tools apply. More specifically, management is a set of predicate functions, or of observer and generator functions. These either parametrise other, the operations functions, that is, determine their behaviour, or yield results that become arguments to these other functions. Organisation is thus a set of constraints on communication behaviours. Hierarchical, rather than linear, and matrix structured organisations can also be modeled as sets (of recursively invoked sets) of equations.

To relate classical organigrams to formal descriptions we first show such an organigram (Fig. 7.4 on the following page), and then we show schematic processes which — for a rather simple scenario — model managers and the managed!

Based on such a diagram, and modeling only one neighbouring group of a manager and the staff working for that manager we get a **system** in which one manager, *mgr*, and many staff, *stf*, coexist or work concurrently, i.e., in parallel. The *mgr* operates in a context and a state modeled by ψ . Each staff, *stf*(*i*) operates in a context and a state modeled by $s\sigma(i)$.

type

$\text{Msg}, \Psi, \Sigma, Sx$

$S\Sigma = Sx \xrightarrow{m} \Sigma$

channel

$\{ ms[i]:\text{Msg} \mid i:Sx \}$

value

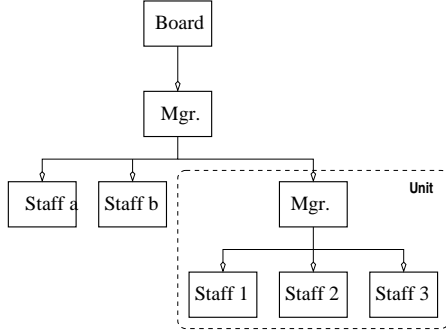
$s\sigma:S\Sigma, \psi:\Psi$

sys: Unit \rightarrow Unit

$\text{sys}() \equiv \parallel \{ \text{stf}(i)(s\sigma(i)) \mid i:Sx \} \parallel \text{mgr}(\psi)$

In this system the manager, *mgr*, (1) either broadcasts messages, *m*, to all staff via message channel *ms*[*i*]. The manager’s concoction, *m_out*(ψ), of the message, *msg*, has changed the manager state. Or (2) is willing to receive messages, *msg*, from whichever staff *i* the manager sends a message. Receipt of the message changes, *m_in*(*i*,*m*)(ψ), the manager state. In both cases the manager resumes work as from the

A Hierarchical Organisation



A Matrix Organisation

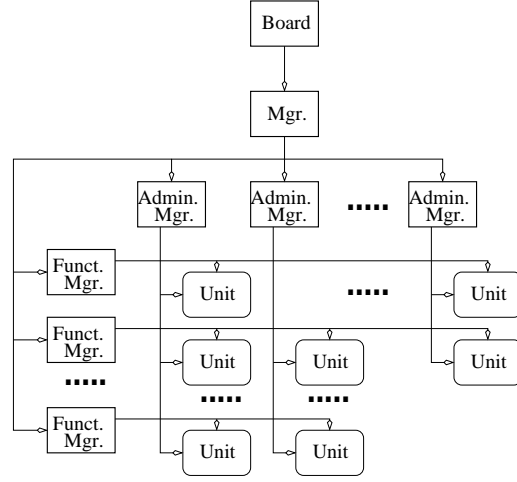


Fig. 7.4. Organisational Structures

new state. The manager chooses — in this model — which of the two things (1 or 2) to do by a so-called non-deterministic internal choice (\square).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mg} &: \Psi \rightarrow \text{in, out } \{ \text{ms}[i] | i:Sx \} \text{ Unit} \\ \text{mgr}(\psi) &\equiv \\ (1) \quad &\text{let } (\psi', m) = \text{m_out}(\psi) \text{ in } \square \{ \text{ms}[i]!m | i:Sx \}; \text{mgr}(\psi') \text{ end} \\ &\square \\ (2) \quad &\text{let } \psi' = \square \{ \text{let } m = \text{ms}[i]? \text{ in } m_in(i, m)(\psi) \text{ end} | i:Sx \} \text{ in } \text{mgr}(\psi') \text{ end} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{m_out} &: \Psi \rightarrow \Psi \times \text{MSG}, \\ \text{m_in} &: Sx \times \text{MSG} \rightarrow \Psi \rightarrow \Psi \end{aligned}$$

And in this system, staff i , $\text{stf}(i)$, (1) either is willing to receive a message, msg , from the manager, and then to change, $\text{st_in}(\text{msg})(\sigma)$, state accordingly, or (2) to concoct, $\text{st_out}(\sigma)$, a message, msg (thus changing state) for the manager, and send it $\text{ms}[i]!\text{msg}$. In both cases the staff resumes work as from the new state. The staff member chooses — in this model — which of the two “things” (1 or 2) to do by a non-deterministic internal choice (\square).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{stf} &: i:Sx \rightarrow \Sigma \rightarrow \text{in, out } \text{ms}[i] \text{ Unit} \\ \text{stf}(i)(\sigma) &\equiv \\ (1) \quad &\text{let } m = \text{ms}[i]? \text{ in } \text{stf}(i)(\text{st_in}(m)(\sigma)) \text{ end} \\ &\square \\ (2) \quad &\text{let } (\sigma', m) = \text{st_out}(\sigma) \text{ in } \text{ms}[i]!m; \text{stf}(i)(\sigma') \text{ end} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{st_in} &: \text{MSG} \rightarrow \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma, \\ \text{st_out} &: \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma \times \text{MSG} \end{aligned}$$

Both manager and staff processes recurse (i.e., iterate) over possibly changing states. The management process non-deterministically, internal choice, “alternates” between “broadcast”-issuing orders to staff and receiving individual messages from staff. Staff processes likewise non-deterministically, internal choice, alternate between receiving orders from management and issuing individual messages to management. The conceptual example also illustrates modeling stakeholder behaviours as interacting (here CSP-like) processes.

Strategic, Tactical and Operations Management

Example 106 We think of (i) strategic, (ii) tactic, and (iii) operational managers as well as (iv) supervisors, (v) team leaders and the rest of the (vi) staff (i.e., workers) of a domain enterprise as functions. Each category of staff, i.e., each function, works in state and updates that state according to schedules and resource allocations — which are considered part of the state. To make the description simple we do not detail the state other than saying that each category works on an “instantaneous copy” of “the” state. Now think of six staff category activities, strategic managers, tactical managers, operational managers, supervisors, team leaders and workers as six simultaneous sets of actions. Each function defines a step of collective (i.e., group) (strategic, tactical, operational) management, supervisor, team leader and worker work. Each step is considered “atomic”. Now think of an enterprise as the “repeated” step-wise simultaneous performance of these category activities. Six “next” states arise. These are, in the reality of the domain, ameliorated, that is reconciled into one state. however with the next iteration, i.e., step, of work having each category apply its work to a reconciled version of the state resulting from that category’s previously yielded state and the mediated “global” state. **Caveat:** The below is not a mathematically proper definition. It suggests one !

type

0. $\Sigma, \Sigma_s, \Sigma_t, \Sigma_o, \Sigma_u, \Sigma_e, \Sigma_w$

value

1. str, tac, opr, sup, tea, wrk: $\Sigma_i \rightarrow \Sigma_i$
2. stra, tact, oper, supr, team, work: $\Sigma \rightarrow (\Sigma_{x_1} \times \Sigma_{x_2} \times \Sigma_{x_3} \times \Sigma_{x_4} \times \Sigma_{x_5}) \rightarrow \Sigma$
3. objective: $(\Sigma_s \times \Sigma_t \times \Sigma_o \times \Sigma_u \times \Sigma_e \times \Sigma_w) \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$
3. enterprise, ameliorate: $(\Sigma_s \times \Sigma_t \times \Sigma_o \times \Sigma_u \times \Sigma_e \times \Sigma_w) \rightarrow \Sigma$
4. enterprise: $(\sigma_s, \sigma_t, \sigma_u, \sigma_e, \sigma_w) \equiv$
6. let $\sigma'_s = \text{stra}(\text{str}(\sigma_s))(\sigma'_t, \sigma'_o, \sigma'_u, \sigma'_e, \sigma'_w)$,
7. $\sigma'_t = \text{tact}(\text{tac}(\sigma_t))(\sigma'_s, \sigma'_o, \sigma'_u, \sigma'_e, \sigma'_w)$,
8. $\sigma'_o = \text{oper}(\text{opr}(\sigma_o))(\sigma'_s, \sigma'_t, \sigma'_u, \sigma'_e, \sigma'_w)$,
9. $\sigma'_u = \text{supr}(\text{sup}(\sigma_u))(\sigma'_s, \sigma'_t, \sigma'_o, \sigma'_e, \sigma'_w)$,
10. $\sigma'_e = \text{team}(\text{tea}(\sigma_e))(\sigma'_s, \sigma'_t, \sigma'_o, \sigma'_u, \sigma'_w)$,
11. $\sigma'_w = \text{work}(\text{wrk}(\sigma_w))(\sigma'_s, \sigma'_t, \sigma'_o, \sigma'_u, \sigma'_e)$ in
12. if objective($\sigma'_s, \sigma'_t, \sigma'_o, \sigma'_u, \sigma'_e, \sigma'_w$)
13. then ameliorate($\sigma'_s, \sigma'_t, \sigma'_o, \sigma'_u, \sigma'_e, \sigma'_w$)
14. else enterprise($\sigma'_s, \sigma'_t, \sigma'_o, \sigma'_u, \sigma'_e, \sigma'_w$)
15. end end

0. Σ is a further undefined and unexplained enterprise state space. The various enterprise players view this state in their own way.
1. Six staff group operations, str, tac, opr, sup, tea and wrk, each act in the enterprise state such as conceived by respective groups to effect a resulting enterprise state such as achieved by respective groups.
2. Six staff group state amelioration functions, ame_s, ame_t, ame_o, ame_u, ame_e and ame_w, each apply to the resulting enterprise states such as achieved by respective groups to yield a result state such as achieved by that group.
3. An overall objective function tests whether a state summary reflects that the objectives of the enterprise has been achieved or not.
4. The enterprise function applies to the tuple of six group-biased (i.e., ameliorated) states. Initially these may all be the same state. The result is an ameliorated state.
5. An iteration, that is, a step of enterprise activities, lines 5.–13. proceeds as follows:
6. strategic management operates
 - in its state space, $\sigma_s : \Sigma$;
 - effects a next (un-ameliorated strategic management) state σ'_s ;
 - and ameliorates this latter state in the context of all the other player’s ameliorated result states.
7. 11. The same actions take place, simultaneously for the other players: tac, opr, sup, tea and wrk.
12. A test, *has objectives been met*, is made on the six ameliorated states.
13. If test is successful, then the enterprise terminates in an ameliorated state.

14. Otherwise the enterprise recurses, that is, “repeats” itself in new states.

The above “function” definition is suggestive. It suggests that a solution to the fix-point 6-tuple of equations over “intermediate” states, σ'_x , where x is any of s, t, o, u, e, w , is achievable by iteration over just these 6 equations.

7.7.2 Requirements

Top-level, including strategic management tends to not be amenable to “automation”. Increasingly tactical management tends to “divide” time between “bush-fire, stop-gap” actions – hardly automatable and formulating, initiating and monitoring main operations. The initiation and monitoring of tactical actions appear amenable to partial automation. Operational management – with its reliance on rules & regulations, scripts and licenses – is where computer monitoring and partial control has reaped the richest harvests.

7.7.3 On Modeling Management and Organisation

Management and organisation basically spans entity, function, event and behaviour intensities and thus typically require the full spectrum of modeling techniques and notations — summarised in Sect. 7.2.3.

7.8 Human Behaviour

- By **domain human behaviour** we shall understand any of a quality spectrum of carrying out assigned work: from (i) careful, diligent and accurate, via (ii) sloppy dispatch, and (iii) delinquent work, to (iv) outright criminal pursuit ■

Although we otherwise do not go into any depth with respect to the analysis & description of humans, we shall momentarily depart from this “abstinence”.

7.8.1 Conceptual Analysis

To model human behaviour “smacks” like modeling human actors, the psychology of humans, etc. ! We shall not attempt to model the psychological side of humans — for the simple reason that we neither know how to do that nor whether it can at all be done. Instead we shall be focusing on the effects on non-human manifest entities of human behaviour.

Banking — or Programming — Staff Behaviour

Example 107 Let us assume a bank clerk, “in ye olde” days, when calculating, say mortgage repayments (cf. Example 96). We would characterise such a clerk as being **diligent**, etc., if that person carefully follows the mortgage calculation rules, and checks and double-checks that calculations “tally up”, or lets others do so. We would characterise a clerk as being **sloppy** if that person occasionally forgets the checks alluded to above. We would characterise a clerk as being **delinquent** if that person systematically forgets these checks. And we would call such a person a **criminal** if that person intentionally miscalculates in such a way that the bank (and/or the mortgage client) is cheated out of funds which, instead, may be diverted to the cheater. Let us, instead of a bank clerk, assume a software programmer charged with implementing an automatic routine for effecting mortgage repayments (cf. Example 96). We would characterise the programmer as being **diligent** if that person carefully follows the mortgage calculation rules, and throughout the development verifies and tests that the calculations are correct with respect to the rules. We would characterise the programmer as being **sloppy** if that person forgets certain checks and tests when otherwise correcting the computing program under development. We would characterise the programmer as being **delinquent** if that person systematically forgets these checks

and tests. And we would characterise the programmer as being a *criminal* if that person intentionally provides a program which miscalculates the mortgage interest, etc., in such a way that the bank (and/or the mortgage client) is cheated out of funds.

A Human Behaviour Mortgage Calculation

Example 108 Example 96 on Page 175 gave a semantics to the mortgage calculation request (i.e., command) as would a diligent bank clerk be expected to perform it. To express, that is, to model, how sloppy, delinquent, or outright criminal persons (staff?) could behave we must modify the $\text{int_Cmd}(\text{mkPM}(c,a,m,p,d'))(\rho,\alpha,\mu,\ell)$ definition.

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int_Cmd(mkPM(c,a,m,p,d'))(\rho,\alpha,\mu,\ell) \equiv
  let (b,d') = \ell(m) in
  if q(\alpha(a),p) [\alpha(a) \leq p \vee \alpha(a) = p \vee \alpha(a) \leq p \vee ...]
  then
    let i = f_1(interest(mi,b,period(d,d'))),
        \ell' = \ell \dagger [m \mapsto f_2(\ell(m) - (p-i))],
        \alpha' = \alpha \dagger [a \mapsto f_3(\alpha(a) - p), a_i \mapsto f_4(\alpha(a_i) + i), a_{\text{staff}} \mapsto f_{\text{staff}}(\alpha(a_{\text{staff}}) + i)] in
    ((\rho,\alpha',\mu,\ell'),ok) end
  else
    ((\rho,\alpha',\mu,\ell'),nok)
  end end
pre c \in \text{dom } \mu \wedge m \in \mu(c)

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$q: P \times P \rightsquigarrow \text{Bool}$
 $f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_{\text{staff}}: P \rightsquigarrow P$ [typically: $f_{\text{staff}} = \lambda p.p$]

The predicate q and the functions f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4 and f_{staff} of Example 108 are deliberately left undefined. They are being defined by the “staffer” when performing (incl., programming) the mortgage calculation routine. The point of Example 108 is that one must first define the mortgage calculation script precisely as one would like to see the diligent staff (programmer) to perform (incl., correctly program) it before one can “pinpoint” all the places where lack of diligence may “set in”. The invocations of q, f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4 and f_{staff} designate those places. The point of Example 108 is also that we must first domain-define, “to the best of our ability” all the places where human behaviour may play other than a desirable role. If we cannot, then we cannot claim that some requirements aim at countering undesirable human behaviour.

Commensurate with the above, humans interpret rules and regulations differently, and, for some humans, not always consistently — in the sense of repeatedly applying the same interpretations. Our final specification pattern is therefore:

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type
  Action = \Theta \rightsquigarrow \Theta\text{-infset}
value
  hum_int: Rule \rightarrow \Theta \rightarrow \text{RUL-infset}
  action: Stimulus \rightarrow \Theta \rightarrow \Theta
  hum_beha: Stimulus \times Rules \rightarrow Action \rightarrow \Theta \rightsquigarrow \Theta\text{-infset}
  hum_beha(sy_sti,sy_rul)(\alpha)(\theta) as \thetaset
  post
    \thetaset = \alpha(\theta) \wedge \text{action}(sy_sti)(\theta) \in \thetaset
    \wedge \forall \theta': \Theta \cdot \theta' \in \thetaset \Rightarrow
      \exists \text{se_rul}: \text{RUL} \cdot \text{se_rul} \in \text{hum\_int}(sy_rul)(\theta) \Rightarrow \text{se_rul}(\theta, \theta')

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The above is, necessarily, sketchy: There is a possibly infinite variety of ways of interpreting some rules. A human, in carrying out an action, interprets applicable rules and chooses one which that person believes suits some (professional, sloppy, delinquent or criminal) intent. “Suits” means that it satisfies the intent, i.e., yields **true** on the pre/post-configuration pair, when the action is performed — whether as intended by the ones who issued the rules and regulations or not. We do not cover the case of whether an appropriate regulation is applied or not.

The above-stated axioms express how it is in the domain, not how we would like it to be. For that we have to establish requirements.

7.8.2 Requirements

Requirements in relation to the human behaviour facet is not requirements about software that “replaces” human behaviour. Such requirements were hinted at in Sects. 7.5.2–7.7.2. Human behaviour facet requirements are about software that checks human behaviour; that it remains diligent; that it does not transgress into sloppy, delinquent, let alone criminal behaviour. When transgressions are discovered, appropriate remedial actions may be prescribed.

7.8.3 On Modeling Human Behaviour

To model human behaviour is, “initially”, much like modeling management and organisation. But only ‘initially’. The most significant human behaviour modeling aspect is then that of modeling non-determinism and looseness, even ambiguity. So a specification language which allows specifying non-determinism and looseness (like CafeOBJ [157] and RSL [176]) is to be preferred. To prescribe requirements is to prescribe the monitoring of the human input at the computer interface.

7.9 Summary

7.9.1 Method Principles, Techniques and Tools

Recall that by a method we shall understand a set of **principles** for selecting and applying a set of **techniques** using a set of **tools** in order to construct an artefact.

7.9.1.1 Principles of Modelling Domain Facets

We shall just point out one applied principle, that of:

Conservative Extension :¹⁴ This principle of making sure that additional domain descriptions form conservative extensions are applied throughout this chapter:

- Support Technologies, Sect. 7.3,
- Rules & Regulations, Sect. 7.4,
- Scripts, Sect. 7.5,
- License Languages, Sect. 7.6,
- Management & Organisation, Sect. 7.7 and
- Human Behaviour, Sect. 7.8.

The concepts of these six additional facets builds upon, i.e., extends, those of **Intrinsics**, that is, those of Chapters 3–6.

Most of the principles mentioned in earlier chapters have also been applied.

¹⁴ We remind the reader of the definition of the concept of ‘conservative extension: *An extension of a logical theory is conservative, i.e., conserves, if every theorem expressible in the original theory is also derivable within the original theory* [en.wiktionary.org/wiki/conservative_extension] [1 47, π 7]. See also [341, 144, 100, 20, 243, 161] and en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Extension_by_new_constant_and_function_names

7.9.1.2 Techniques of Modelling Domain Facets

We have already mentioned techniques that have been applied in this chapter's "On Modelling ..." sections: Sects. 7.2.3 on Page 169, 7.3.3 on Page 173, 7.4.3 on Page 175, 7.5.3 on Page 177, 7.6.5 on Page 186, 7.7.3 on Page 190 and 7.8.3 on the facing page. And shall leave it at that.

7.9.1.3 Tools of Modelling Domain Facets

The tools for modelling, i.e., analysing & describing domain facets have already been mentioned in this chapter's seven sections on the individual facets.

7.9.2 General Issues

7.9.2.1 Completion

Domain acquisition results in typically up to thousands of units of domain descriptions. Domain analysis subsequently also serves to classify which facet any one of these description units primarily characterises. But some such "compartmentalisations" may be difficult, and may be deferred till the step of "completion". It may then be, "at the end of the day", that is, after all of the above facets have been modeled that some description units are left as not having been described, not deliberately, but "circumstantially". It then behooves the domain engineer to fit these "dangling" description units into suitable parts of the domain description. This "slotting in" may be simple, and all is fine. Or it may be difficult. Such difficulty may be a sign that the chosen model, the chosen description, in its selection of entities, functions, events and behaviours to model — in choosing these over other possible selections of phenomena and concepts is not appropriate. Another attempt must be made. Another selection, another abstraction of entities, functions, etc., may need be chosen. Usually however, after having chosen the abstractions of the intrinsic phenomena and concepts, one can start checking whether "dangling" description units can be fitted in "with ease".

7.9.2.2 Integrating Formal Descriptions

We have seen that to model the full spectrum of domain facets one needs not one, but several specification languages. No single specification language suffices. It seems highly unlikely and it appears not to be desirable to obtain a single, "universal" specification language capable of "equally" elegantly, suitably abstractly modeling all aspects of a domain. Hence one must conclude that the full modeling of domains shall deploy several formal notations – including plain, good old mathematics in all its forms. The issues are then the following which combinations of notations to select, and how to make sure that the combined specification denotes something meaningful. The ongoing series of "Integrating Formal Methods" conferences [10] is a good source for techniques, compositions and meanings.

7.9.2.3 The Impossibility of Describing Any Domain Completely

Domain descriptions are, by necessity, abstractions. One can never hope for any notion of complete domain descriptions. The situation is no better for domains such as we define them than for physics. Physicists strive to understand the manifest world around us – the world that was there before humans started creating "their domains". The physicists describe the physical world "in bits and pieces" such that large collections of these pieces "fit together", that is, are based on some commonly accepted laws and in some commonly agreed mathematics. Similarly for such domains as will be the subject of domain science & engineering such as we cover that subject in [78, 66] and in the present chapter and reports [75, 68]. Individual such domain descriptions will be emphasizing some clusters of facets, others will be emphasizing other aspects.

7.9.2.4 Rôles for Domain Descriptions

We can distinguish between a spectrum of rôles for domain descriptions. Some of the issues brought forward below may have been touched upon in [78, 66].

7.9.2.4.1 Alternative Domain Descriptions:

It may very well be meaningful to avail oneself of a variety of domain models (i.e., descriptions) for any one domain, that is, for what we may consider basically one and the same domain. In control theory (a science) and automation (an engineering) we develop specific descriptions, usually on the form of a set of differential equations, for any one control problem. The basis for the control problem is typically the science of mechanics. This science has many renditions (i.e., interpretations). For the control problem, say that of keeping a missile carried by a train wagon, erect during train movement and/or windy conditions, one may then develop a “self-contained” description of the problem based on some mechanics theory presentation. Similarly for domains. One may refer to an existing domain description. But one may re-develop a textually “smaller” domain description for any one given, i.e., specific problem.

7.9.2.4.2 Domain Science:

A domain description designates a domain theory. That is, a bundle of propositions, lemmas and theorems that are either rather explicit or can be proven from the description. So a domain description is the basis for a theory as well as for the discovery of domain laws, that is, for a domain science. We have sciences of physics (incl. chemistry), biology, etc. Perhaps it is about time to have proper sciences, to the extent one can have such sciences for human-made domains.

7.9.2.4.3 Business Process Re-engineering:

Some domains manifest serious amounts of human actions and interactions. These may be found to not be efficient to a degree that one might so desire. A given domain description may therefore be a basis for suggesting other *management & organisation* structures, and/or *rules & regulations* than present ones. Yes, even making explicit *scripts* or a *license language* which have hitherto been tacitly understood – without necessarily computerising any support for such a *script* or *license language*. The given and the resulting domain descriptions may then be the basis for *operations research* models that may show desired or acceptable efficiency improvements.

7.9.2.4.4 Software Development:

[66] shows one approach to requirements prescription. Domain analysis & description, i.e., domain engineering, is here seen as an initial phase, with requirements prescription engineering being a second phase, and software design being a third phase. We see domain engineering as indispensable, that is, an absolute must, for software development. [58, *Domains: Their Simulation, Monitoring and Control*] further illustrates how domain engineering is a base for the development of domain simulators, demos, monitors and controllers.

7.9.2.5 Grand Challenges of Informatics¹⁶

To establish a reasonably trustworthy and believable theory of a domain, say the transportation, or just the railway domain, may take years, possibly 10–15 ! Similarly for domains such as the financial service industry, the market (of consumers and producers, retailers, wholesaler, distribution cum supply chain), health care, and so forth. The current author urges younger scientists to get going! It is about time.

7.10 Bibliographical Notes

To create domain descriptions, or requirements prescriptions, or software designs, properly, at least such as this author sees it, is a joy to behold. The beauty of carefully selected and balanced abstractions, their interplay with other such, the relations between phases, stages and steps, and many more conceptual constructions make software engineering possibly the most challenging intellectual pursuit today. For this and more consult [39, 40, 41].

¹⁶ In the early-to-mid 2000s there were a rush of research foundations and scientists enumerating “Grand Challenges of Informatics”

7.11 Exercise Problems

7.11.1 Research Problems

Exercise 38 A Research Challenge. Mathematical Explanation: The seven facets identified in this chapter are not identified with respect to one another on the basis of some mathematical model. In what [theoretical] computer science sense could one hold them out from one another? If you have a solution please present it.

Exercise 39 A Research Challenge. Other Facets?: In this chapter we have identified six facets beyond the intrinsics. The research challenge here is to identify more facets and to give them a treatment like in this chapter or even as suggested in the above exercise.

7.11.2 Term Projects

We continue the term projects of Sects. 3.23.3 on Page 82, 4.12.3 on Page 122 and 6.14.3 on Page 163.

The students are to identify and analyse & describe at least three distinct facets of their chosen domain, that is:

- variations of intrinsics,
- support technology,
- rules & regulations,
- scripts,
- license language,
- management & organisation, and
- human behaviour.

Exercise 40 An MSc Student Exercise. The Consumer Market, Facets: We refer to Exercises 4 on Page 83, 20 on Page 122, 31 on Page 163 and 40.

Exercise 41 An MSc Student Exercise. Financial Service Industry, Facets: We refer to Exercises 5 on Page 83, 21 on Page 123 and 32 on Page 163.

Exercise 42 An MSc Student Exercise. Container Line Industry, Facets: We refer to Exercises 6 on Page 83, 22 on Page 123, and 33 on Page 163.

Exercise 43 An MSc Student Exercise. Railway Systems, Facets: We refer to Exercises 7 on Page 83, 23 on Page 123, and 34 on Page 163.

Exercise 44 A PhD Student Problem. Part-Material Conjoins: Canals, Facets: We refer to Exercises 8 on Page 83, 24 on Page 123 and 35 on Page 163.

Exercise 45 A PhD Student Problem. Part-Materials Conjoins: Rum Production, Facets: We refer to Exercises 9 on Page 83, 25 on Page 123 and 36 on Page 163.

Exercise 46 A PhD Student Problem. Part-Materials Conjoins: Waste Management, Facets: We refer to Exercise 10 on Page 83, 26 on Page 123, and 37 on Page 163.

These exercise problems are continued in Sect. 8.9.2 on Page 243.

REQUIREMENTS

REQUIREMENTS

In this chapter we show one approach to systematically, but, of course, not automatically, “derive” requirements prescriptions from domain descriptions. We shall introduce and treat quite a vocabulary of concepts (i) machine; (ii-iv) domain, interface and machine requirements; (v-ix) projection, instantiation, determination, extension and fitting; and (x) derived requirements.

The approach we show is novel [44]. It does not replace conventional requirements engineering [355]. Merely supplements it. The conventional approach is not founded on domain descriptions, although frequent references are made, more-or-less implicitly, to domains. We therefore find it justified to present the view of this chapter that requirement prescriptions can be rather systematically arrived at from a series of analyses & rewritings of domain descriptions.

8.1 Introduction

8.1.1 The Contribution of this Chapter

We claim that the present chapter contributes to our understanding and practice of *software engineering* as follows: (1) it shows how the new phase of engineering, **domain engineering**, forms a prerequisite for **requirements engineering**; (2) it endows the “classical” form of requirements engineering with a structured set of development stages and steps: (a) first a **domain requirements** stage, (b) to be followed by an **interface requirements** stage, and (c) to be concluded by a **machine requirements** stage; (3) it further structures and gives a reasonably precise contents to the stage of domain requirements: (i) first a **projection** step, (ii) then an **instantiation** step, (iii) then a **determination** step, (iv) then an **extension** step, and (v) finally a **fitting** step — with these five steps possibly being iterated; and (4) it also structures and gives a reasonably precise contents to the stage of interface requirements based on a notion of **shared** entities. Each of the steps (i–v) open for the possibility of *simplifications*. Steps (a–c) and (i–v), we claim, are new. They reflect a serious contribution, we claim, to a logical structuring of the field of requirements engineering and its very many otherwise seemingly diverse concerns.

8.1.2 Some Comments

This chapter is, perhaps, unusual in the following respects: (i) It is a methodology chapter, hence there are no “neat” theories about development, no succinctly expressed propositions, lemmas nor theorems, and hence no proofs¹. (ii) As a consequence the chapter is borne by many, and by extensive examples. (iii) The examples of this chapter are all focused on a generic road transport net. (iv) To reasonably fully exemplify the requirements approach, illustrating how our method copes with a seeming complexity of interrelated method aspects, the full example of this chapter embodies very many description and prescription elements: hundreds of concepts (types, axioms, functions). (v) This methodology chapter covers a “grand” area of software engineering: Many textbooks and papers are written on *Requirements Engineering*. We postulate, in contrast to all such books (and papers), that *requirements engineering* should be founded on *domain engineering*. Hence we must, somehow, show that our approach relates to major elements of what the *Requirements Engineering* books put forward. (vi) As a result, this chapter is long.

¹ — where these proofs would be about the development theories. The example development of requirements do imply properties, but formulation and proof of these do not constitute new contributions — so are left out.

8.1.3 Structure of Chapter

The structure of the chapter is as follows: Section 8.2 provides a fair-sized, hence realistic example. Sections 8.3–8.5 covers our approach to requirements development. Section 8.3 overviews the issue of ‘requirements’; relates our approach (i.e., Sects. 8.4–8.5) to *systems, user and external equipment* and *functional requirements*; and Sect. 8.3 also introduces the concepts of the *machine* to be requirements prescribed, the *domain*, the *interface* and the *machine requirements*. Section 8.4 covers the *domain requirements* stages of *projection* (Sect. 8.4.1), *instantiation* (Sect. 8.4.2), *determination* (Sect. 8.4.3), *extension* (Sect. 8.4.4) and *fitting* (Sect. 8.4.5). Section 8.5 covers key features of *interface requirements*: *shared phenomena* (Sect. 8.5.1.1), *shared endurants* (Sect. 8.5.1.2) and *shared actions, shared events and shared behaviours* (Sect. 8.5.1.3). Section 8.5.1.3 further introduces the notion of *derived requirements*. Section 8.7 concludes the chapter.

8.2 An Example Domain: Transport

We refer to the “Running Example” of Chapters 3–6

Chapters 3–6 brought a consolidated version of the “running” *road transport system* example

In order to exemplify the various stages and steps of requirements development we first bring a domain description example.² The example follows the steps of an idealised domain description. First we describe the endurants, then we describe the perdurants. Endurant description initially focus on the composite and atomic parts. Then on their “internal” qualities: unique identifications, mereologies, and attributes. The descriptions alternate between enumerated, i.e., labeled narrative sentences and correspondingly “numbered” formalisations. The narrative labels cum formula numbers will be referred to, frequently in the various steps of domain requirements development.

8.2.1 Endurants

Since we have chosen a manifest domain, that is, a domain whose endurants can be pointed at, seen, touched, we shall follow the analysis & description process as outlined in [70] and formalised in [62]. That is, we first identify, analyse and describe (manifest) parts, composite and atomic, abstract (Sect. 8.2.2) or concrete (Sect. 8.2.2.1). Then we identify, analyse and describe their unique identifiers (Sect. 8.2.2.2), mereologies (Sect. 8.2.2.3), and attributes (Sects. 8.2.2.4–8.2.2.4).

The example fragments will be presented in a small type-font.

8.2.2 Domain, Net, Fleet and Monitor

The root domain, Δ , is that of a composite traffic system (304a.) with a road net, (304b.) with a fleet of vehicles and (304c.) of whose individual position on the road net we can speak, that is, monitor.³

304 We analyse the traffic system into
 a a composite road net,
 b a composite fleet (of vehicles), and
 c an atomic monitor.

type

304 Δ
 304a N
 304b F
 304c M

value

304a $\text{obs_N}: \Delta \rightarrow N$
 304b $\text{obs_F}: \Delta \rightarrow F$
 304c $\text{obs_M}: \Delta \rightarrow M$

² The example of this section is that of the “running example” of Chapters 3–6

³ The monitor can be thought of, i.e., conceptualised. It is not necessarily a physically manifest phenomenon.

305 The road net consists of two composite parts,
 a an aggregation of hubs and

b an aggregation of links.

type

305a HA
 305b LA

value

305a obs_HA: $N \rightarrow HA$
 305b obs_LA: $N \rightarrow LA$

8.2.2.1 Hubs and Links

306 Hub aggregates are sets of hubs.
 307 Link aggregates are sets of links.

308 Fleets are set of vehicles.

type

306 H, HS = H-set
 307 L, LS = L-set
 308 V, VS = V-set

value

306 obs_HS: $HA \rightarrow HS$
 307 obs_LS: $LA \rightarrow LS$
 308 obs_VS: $F \rightarrow VS$

309 We introduce some auxiliary functions.
 a links extracts the links of a network.
 b hubs extracts the hubs of a network.

value

309a links: $\Delta \rightarrow L\text{-set}$
 309a links(δ) \equiv obs_LS(obs_LA(obs_N(δ)))
 309b hubs: $\Delta \rightarrow H\text{-set}$
 309b hubs(δ) \equiv obs_HS(obs_HA(obs_N(δ)))

8.2.2.2 Unique Identifiers

Applying `observe_unique_identifier`, the domain description prompt 7 on Page 86, to the observed parts yields the following.

310 Nets, hub and link aggregates, hubs and links,
 fleets, vehicles and the monitor all
 a have unique identifiers

b such that all such are distinct, and
 c with corresponding observers.

type

310a NI, HAI, LAI, HI, LI, FI, VI, MI

value

310c uid_NI: $N \rightarrow NI$
 310c uid_HAI: $HA \rightarrow HAI$
 310c uid_LAI: $LA \rightarrow LAI$
 310c uid_HI: $H \rightarrow HI$

310c uid_LI: $L \rightarrow LI$

310c uid_FI: $F \rightarrow FI$

310c uid_VI: $V \rightarrow VI$

310c uid_MI: $M \rightarrow MI$

axiom

310b $NI \cap HAI = \{\}, NI \cap LAI = \{\}, NI \cap HI = \{\}, \text{etc.}$

where axiom 310b is expressed semi-formally, in mathematics. We introduce some auxiliary functions:

311 `xtr_lis` extracts all link identifiers of a traffic sys-
 tem.
 312 `xtr_his` extracts all hub identifiers of a traffic
 system.

313 Given an appropriate link identifier and a net
`get_link` ‘retrieves’ the designated link.
 314 Given an appropriate hub identifier and a net
`get_hub` ‘retrieves’ the designated hub.

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value
311 xtr_lis:  $\Delta \rightarrow LI\text{-set}$ 
311 xtr_lis( $\delta$ )  $\equiv$ 
311   let ls = links( $\delta$ ) in {uid_LI(l)|l:L•l  $\in$  ls} end
312 xtr_his:  $\Delta \rightarrow HI\text{-set}$ 
312 xtr_his( $\delta$ )  $\equiv$ 
312   let hs = hubs( $\delta$ ) in {uid_HI(h)|h:H•k  $\in$  hs} end
313 get_link: LI  $\rightarrow \Delta \xrightarrow{\sim} L$ 
313 get_link(li)( $\delta$ )  $\equiv$ 
313   let ls = links( $\delta$ ) in
313   let l:L•l  $\in$  ls  $\wedge$  li=uid_LI(l) in l end end
313   pre: li  $\in$  xtr_lis( $\delta$ )
314 get_hub: HI  $\rightarrow \Delta \xrightarrow{\sim} H$ 
314 get_hub(hi)( $\delta$ )  $\equiv$ 
314   let hs = hubs( $\delta$ ) in
314   let h:H•h  $\in$  hs  $\wedge$  hi=uid_HI(h) in h end end
314   pre: hi  $\in$  xtr_his( $\delta$ )

```

8.2.2.3 Mereology

We cover the mereologies of all part sorts introduced so far. We decide that nets, hub aggregates, link aggregates and fleets have no mereologies of interest. Applying `observe_mereology`, the domain description prompt 8 on Page 91, to hubs, links, vehicles and the monitor yields the following.

- 315 Hub mereologies reflect that they are connected to zero, one or more links.
 316 Link mereologies reflect that they are connected to exactly two distinct hubs.
 317 Vehicle mereologies reflect that they are connected to the monitor.
 318 The monitor mereology reflects that it is connected to all vehicles.
 319 For all hubs of any net it must be the case that their mereology designates links of that net.
 320 For all links of any net it must be the case that their mereologies designates hubs of that net.
 321 For all transport domains it must be the case that
- a the mereology of vehicles of that system designates the monitor of that system, and that
 - b the mereology of the monitor of that system designates vehicles of that system.

```

value
315 obs_mereo_H: H  $\rightarrow LI\text{-set}$ 
316 obs_mereo_L: L  $\rightarrow HI\text{-set}$ 
axiom
316  $\forall l:L \cdot \text{card mereo\_L}(l)=2$ 
value
317 obs_mereo_V: V  $\rightarrow M$ 
318 obs_mereo_M: M  $\rightarrow VI\text{-set}$ 
axiom
319  $\forall \delta:\Delta, hs:HS \cdot hs=hubs(\delta), ls:LS \cdot ls=links(\delta) \cdot$ 
319    $\forall h:H \cdot h \in hs \cdot mereo\_H(h) \subseteq xtr\_lis(\delta) \wedge$ 
320    $\forall l:L \cdot l \in ls \cdot mereo\_L(l) \subseteq xtr\_his(\delta) \wedge$ 
321a   let f:F•f=obs_F( $\delta$ )  $\Rightarrow$ 
321a     let m:M•m=obs_M( $\delta$ ), vs:VS•vs=obs_VS(f) in
321a      $\forall v:V \cdot v \in vs \Rightarrow uid\_V(v) \in mereo\_M(m) \wedge mereo\_M(m) = \{uid\_V(v)|v:V \cdot v \in vs\}$ 
321b   end end

```

8.2.2.4 Attributes, I

We may not have shown all of the attributes mentioned below — so consider them informally introduced !

- **Hubs:** *locations*⁴ are considered static, *hub states* and *hub state spaces* are considered programmable;
- **Links:** *lengths* and *locations* are considered static, *link states* and *link state spaces* are considered programmable;
- **Vehicles:** *manufacturer name*, *engine type* (whether diesel, gasoline or electric) and *engine power* (kW/horse power) are considered static; *velocity* and *acceleration* may be considered reactive (i.e., a function of gas pedal position, etc.), *global position* (informed via a GNSS: Global Navigation Satellite System) and *local position* (calculated from a global position) are considered biddable

⁴ By location we mean a geodetic position.

Applying `observe_attributes`, the domain description prompt 9 on Page 97, to hubs, links, vehicles and the monitor yields the following.

First hubs.

322 Hubs

- a have geodetic locations, `GeoH`,
- b have *hub states* which are sets of pairs of identifiers of links connected to the hub⁵,
- c and have *hub state spaces* which are sets of hub states⁶.

323 For every net,

- a link identifiers of a hub state must designate links of that net, and
- b every hub state of a net must be in the hub state space of that hub.

324 We introduce an auxiliary function: `xtr_lis` extracts all link identifiers of a hub state.

type

322a `GeoH`

322b $H\Sigma = (LI \times LI)\text{-set}$

322c $H\Omega = H\Sigma\text{-set}$

value

322a `attr_GeoH: H → GeoH`

322b `attr_HΣ: H → HΣ`

322c `attr_HΩ: H → HΩ`

axiom

323 $\forall \delta:\Delta \cdot \text{let } hs = \text{hubs}(\delta) \text{ in}$

323 $\forall h:H \cdot h \in hs \cdot \text{xtr_lis}(h) \subseteq \text{xtr_lis}(\delta)$

323b $\wedge \text{attr_}\Sigma(h) \in \text{attr_}\Omega(h)$

323 **end**

value

324 `xtr_lis: H → LI-set`

324 $\text{xtr_lis}(h) \equiv \{li \mid li:LI, (li', li''): LI \times LI \cdot (li', li'') \in \text{attr_H}\Sigma(h) \wedge li \in \{li', li''\}\}$

Then links.

325 Links have lengths.

326 Links have geodetic location.

327 Links have states and state spaces:

- a States modeled here as pairs, (hi', hi'') , of identifiers the hubs with which the links are connected and indicating directions (from hub h' to hub h'' .) A link state can thus have 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4 such pairs.
- b State spaces are the set of all the link states that a link may enjoy.

type

325 `LEN`

326 `GeoL`

327a $L\Sigma = (HI \times HI)\text{-set}$

327b $L\Omega = L\Sigma\text{-set}$

value

325 `attr_LEN: L → LEN`

326 `attr_GeoL: L → GeoL`

327a `attr_LΣ: L → LΣ`

327b `attr_LΩ: L → LΩ`

axiom

327 $\forall n:N \cdot \text{let } ls = \text{xtr_links}(n), hs = \text{xtr_hubs}(n) \text{ in}$

⁵ A hub state “signals” which input-to-output link connections are open for traffic.

⁶ A hub state space indicates which hub states a hub may attain over time.

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327   $\forall l:L \cdot l \in ls \Rightarrow$ 
327a  let  $l\sigma = \text{attr\_L}\Sigma(l)$  in
327a   $0 \leq \text{card } l\sigma \leq 4$ 
327a   $\wedge \forall (hi', hi'') : (HI \times HI) \cdot (hi', hi'') \in l\sigma \Rightarrow \{hi', hi''\} = \text{mereo\_L}(l)$ 
327b   $\wedge \text{attr\_L}\Sigma(l) \in \text{attr\_L}\Omega(l)$ 
327  end end

```

Then vehicles.

- 328 Every vehicle of a traffic system has a position which is either ‘on a link’ or ‘at a hub’.
- a An ‘on a link’ position has four elements: a unique link identifier which must designate a link of that traffic system and a pair of unique hub identifiers which must be those of the mereology of that link.
 - b The ‘on a link’ position real is the fraction, thus properly between 0 (zero) and 1 (one) of the length from the first identified hub “down the link” to the second identifier hub.
 - c An ‘at a hub’ position has three elements: a unique hub identifier and a pair of unique link identifiers — which must be in the hub state.

```

type
328  VPos = onL | atH
328a  onL :: LI HI HI R
328b  R = Real    axiom  $\forall r:R \cdot 0 \leq r \leq 1$ 
328c  atH :: HI LI LI
value
328  attr_VPos:  $V \rightarrow VPos$ 
axiom
328a   $\forall n:N, \text{onL}(li, fhi, thi, r):VPos \cdot$ 
328a   $\exists l:L \cdot l \in \text{obs\_LS}(\text{obs\_N}(n)) \Rightarrow li = \text{uid\_L}(l) \wedge \{fhi, thi\} = \text{mereo\_L}(l),$ 
328c   $\forall n:N, \text{atH}(hi, fli, tli):VPos \cdot$ 
328c   $\exists h:H \cdot h \in \text{obs\_HS}(\text{obs\_N}(n)) \Rightarrow hi = \text{uid\_H}(h) \wedge (fli, tli) \in \text{attr\_L}\Sigma(h)$ 

```

- 329 We introduce an auxiliary function **distribute**.
- a **distribute** takes a net and a set of vehicles and
 - b generates a map from vehicles to distinct vehicle positions on the net.
 - c We sketch a “formal” **distribute** function, but, for simplicity we omit the technical details that secures distinctness — and leave that to an axiom !
- 330 We define two auxiliary functions:
- a **xtr_links** extracts all links of a net and
 - b **xtr_hub** extracts all hubs of a net.

```

type
329b  MAP =  $VI \xrightarrow{m} VPos$ 
axiom
329b   $\forall \text{map}:MAP \cdot \text{card dom map} = \text{card rng map}$ 
value
329  distribute:  $VS \rightarrow N \rightarrow MAP$ 
329  distribute(vs)(n)  $\equiv$ 
329a  let  $(hs, ls) = (\text{xtr\_hubs}(n), \text{xtr\_links}(n))$  in
329a  let  $vps = \{\text{onL}(\text{uid\_L}(l), fhi, thi, r) \mid l:L \cdot l \in ls \wedge \{fhi, thi\} \subseteq \text{mereo\_L}(l) \wedge 0 \leq r \leq 1\}$ 
329a   $\cup \{\text{atH}(\text{uid\_H}(h), fli, tli) \mid h:H \cdot h \in hs \wedge \{fli, tli\} \subseteq \text{mereo\_H}(h)\}$  in
329b   $[\text{uid\_V}(v) \mapsto vp \mid v:V, vp:VPos \cdot v \in vs \wedge vp \in vps]$  end
329  end

```

```

330a  xtr_links: N → L-set
330a  xtr_links(n) ≡ obs_LS(obs_LA(n))
330b  xtr_hubs: N → H-set
330a  xtr_hubs(n) ≡ obs_H(obs_HAΔ(n))

```

And finally monitors. We consider only one monitor attribute.

- 331 The monitor has a vehicle traffic attribute.
- a For every vehicle of the road transport system the vehicle traffic attribute records a possibly empty list of time marked vehicle positions.
 - b These vehicle positions are alternate sequences of ‘on link’ and ‘at hub’ positions
 - i such that any sub-sequence of ‘on link’ positions record the same link identifier, the same pair of ‘to’ and ‘from’ hub identifiers and increasing fractions,
 - ii such that any sub-segment of ‘at hub’ positions are identical,
 - iii such that vehicle transition from a link to a hub is commensurate with the link and hub mereologies, and
 - iv such that vehicle transition from a hub to a link is commensurate with the hub and link mereologies.

type

```
331 Traffic = VI  $\mapsto$  (T × VPos)*
```

value

```
331 attr_Traffic: M → Traffic
```

axiom

```

331b  ∀ δ:Δ •
331b    let m = obs_M(δ) in
331b    let tf = attr_Traffic(m) in
331b    dom tf ⊆ xtr_vis(δ) ∧
331b    ∀ vi:VI • vi ∈ dom tf •
331b      let tr = tf(vi) in
331b      ∀ i,i+1:Nat • {i,i+1} ⊆ dom tr •
331b        let (t,vp)=tr(i),(t',vp')=tr(i+1) in
331b          t < t'
331b          ∧ case (vp,vp') of
331b(i)    (onL(li,fhi,thi,r),onL(li',fhi',thi',r'))
331b(i)    → li=li' ∧ fhi=fhi' ∧ thi=thi' ∧ r ≤ r' ∧ li ∈ xtr_lis(δ) ∧ {fhi,thi} = mereo_L(get_Link(li)(δ)),
331b(ii)    (atH(hi,fli,tli),atH(hi',fli',tli'))
331b(ii)    → hi=hi' ∧ fli=fli' ∧ tli=tli' ∧ hi ∈ xtr_his(δ) ∧ (fli,tli) ∈ mereo_H(get_hub(hi)(δ)),
331b(iii)   (onL(li,fhi,thi,1),atH(hi,fli,tli))
331b(iii)   → li=fli ∧ thi=hi ∧ {li,tli} ⊆ xtr_lis(δ) ∧ {fhi,thi}=mereo_L(get_Link(li)(δ))
331b(iii)   ∧ hi ∈ xtr_his(δ) ∧ (fli,tli) ∈ mereo_H(get_hub(hi)(δ)),
331b(iv)    (atH(hi,fli,tli),onL(li',fhi',thi',0))
331b(iv)    → et cetera,
331b      _ → false
331b    end end end end end

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8.2.3 Perdurants

Our presentation of example perdurants is not as systematic as that of example endurants. Give the simple basis of endurants covered above there is now a huge variety of perdurants, so we just select one example from each of the three classes of perdurants (as outline in [70]): a simple hub insertion *action* (Sect. 8.2.3.1), a simple link disappearance *event* (Sect. 8.2.3.2) and a not quite so simple *behaviour*, that of road traffic (Sect. 8.2.3.3).

8.2.3.1 Hub Insertion Action

- 332 Initially inserted hubs, h , are characterised
- a by their unique identifier which not one of any hub in the net, n , into which the hub is being inserted,
 - b by a mereology, $\{\}$, of zero link identifiers, and
 - c by — whatever — attributes, $attrs$, are needed.
- 333 The result of such a hub insertion is a net, n' ,
- a whose links are those of n , and
 - b whose hubs are those of n augmented with h .

value

- 332 $insert_hub: H \rightarrow N \rightarrow N$
 333 $insert_hub(h)(n)$ as n'
 332a **pre:** $uid_H(h) \notin xtr_his(n)$
 332b \wedge **obs_mereo_H** = $\{\}$
 332c \wedge ...
 333a **post:** $obs_Ls(n) = obs_Ls(n')$
 333b $\wedge obs_Hs(n) \cup \{h\} = obs_Hs(n')$

8.2.3.2 Link Disappearance Event

We formalise aspects of the link disappearance event:

- 334 The result net, $n':N'$, is not well-formed.
 335 For a link to disappear there must be at least one link in the net;
 336 and such a link may disappear such that
 337 it together with the resulting net makes up for the “original” net.

value

- 334 $link_diss_event: N \times N' \times \mathbf{Bool}$
 334 $link_diss_event(n, n')$ as tf
 335 **pre:** $obs_Ls(obs_LS(n)) \neq \{\}$
 336 **post:** $\exists l: L \cdot l \in obs_Ls(obs_LS(n)) \Rightarrow$
 337 $l \notin obs_Ls(obs_LS(n'))$
 337 $\wedge n' \cup \{l\} = obs_Ls(obs_LS(n))$

8.2.3.3 Road Traffic

The analysis & description of the road traffic behaviour is composed (i) from the description of the global values of nets, links and hubs, vehicles, monitor, a clock, and an initial distribution, map , of vehicles, “across” the net; (ii) from the description of channels between vehicles and the monitor; (iii) from the description of behaviour signatures, that is, those of the overall road traffic system, the vehicles, and the monitor; and (iv) from the description of the individual behaviours, that is, the overall road traffic system, rts , the individual vehicles, veh , and the monitor, mon .

8.2.3.3.1 Global Values:

There is given some globally observable parts.

- 338 besides the domain, $\delta:\Delta$,
 339 a net, $n:N$,
 340 a set of vehicles, $vs:V\text{-set}$,
 341 a monitor, $m:M$, and

342 a clock, clock, behaviour.

343 From the net and vehicles we generate an initial distribution of positions of vehicles.

The $n:N$, $vs:V\text{-set}$ and $m:M$ are observable from any road traffic system domain δ .

value

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338  $\delta:\Delta$ 
339  $n:N = \text{obs\_N}(\delta)$ ,
339  $ls:L\text{-set} = \text{links}(\delta)$ ,  $hs:H\text{-set} = \text{hubs}(\delta)$ ,
339  $lis:LI\text{-set} = \text{xtr\_lis}(\delta)$ ,  $his:HI\text{-set} = \text{xtr\_his}(\delta)$ 
340  $va:VS = \text{obs\_VS}(\text{obs\_F}(\delta))$ ,
340  $vs:Vs\text{-set} = \text{obs\_Vs}(va)$ ,
340  $vis:VI\text{-set} = \{\text{uid\_VI}(v) \mid v:V \cdot v \in vs\}$ ,
341  $m:\text{obs\_M}(\delta)$ ,
341  $mi = \text{uid\_MI}(m)$ ,
341  $ma:\text{attributes}(m)$ 
342  $\text{clock}: \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \text{out } \{\text{clk\_ch}[vi \mid vi:VI \cdot vi \in vis]\} \text{ Unit}$ 
343  $vm:\text{MAP} \cdot \text{vpos\_map} = \text{distribute}(vs)(n)$ ;
```

8.2.3.3.2 Channels:

344 We additionally declare a set of vehicle-to-monitor-channels indexed

a by the unique identifiers of vehicles

b and the (single) monitor identifier.⁷

and communicating vehicle positions.

channel

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344  $\{v\_m\_ch[vi,mi] \mid vi:VI \cdot vi \in vis\}:VPos$ 
```

8.2.3.3.3 Behaviour Signatures:

345 The road traffic system behaviour, rts , takes no arguments (hence the first **Unit**)⁸; and “behaves”, that is, continues forever (hence the last **Unit**).

346 The vehicle behaviour

a is indexed by the unique identifier, $\text{uid_V}(v):VI$,

b the vehicle mereology, in this case the single monitor identifier $mi:MI$,

c the vehicle attributes, $\text{obs_attribs}(v)$

d and — factoring out one of the vehicle attributes — the current vehicle position.

e The vehicle behaviour offers communication to the monitor behaviour (on channel $vm_ch[vi]$); and behaves “forever”.

347 The monitor behaviour takes

a the monitor identifier,

b the monitor mereology,

c the monitor attributes,

d and — factoring out one of the vehicle attributes — the discrete road traffic, drtf:dRTF , being repeatedly “updated” as the result of **input** communications from (all) vehicles;

e the behaviour otherwise behaves forever.

value

```

345  $rts: \text{Unit} \rightarrow \text{Unit}$ 
```

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346  $\text{veh}_{vi:VI}: mi:MI \rightarrow vp:VPos \rightarrow \text{out } vm\_ch[vi,mi] \text{ Unit}$ 
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347  $\text{mon}_{mi:MI}: vis:VI\text{-set} \rightarrow \text{RTF} \rightarrow \text{in } \{v\_m\_ch[vi,mi] \mid vi:VI \cdot vi \in vis\}, \text{clk\_ch} \text{ Unit}$ 
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⁷ Technically speaking: we could omit the monitor identifier.

⁸ The **Unit** designator is an RSL technicality.

8.2.3.3.4 The Road Traffic System Behaviour:

348 Thus we shall consider our **road traffic system**, rts , as

- a the concurrent behaviour of a number of vehicles and, to “observe”, or, as we shall call it, to monitor their movements,
- b the monitor behaviour.

value

348 $rts() =$

348a $\parallel \{veh_{uid_VI(v)}(mi)(vm(uid_VI(v))) \mid v:V \bullet v \in vs\}$

348b $\parallel mon_{mi}(vis)([vi \mapsto \langle \rangle \mid vi:V \bullet vi \in vis])$

where, wrt, the monitor, we dispense with the mereology and the attribute state arguments and instead just have a monitor traffic argument which records the discrete road traffic, MAP , initially set to “empty” traces ($\langle \rangle$, of so far “no road traffic”!).

In order for the monitor behaviour to assess the vehicle positions these vehicles communicate their positions to the monitor via a vehicle to monitor channel. In order for the monitor to time-stamp these positions it must be able to “read” a clock.

349 We describe here an abstraction of the vehicle behaviour **at** a Hub (hi).

- a Either the vehicle remains at that hub informing the monitor of its position,
- b or, internally non-deterministically,
 - i moves onto a link, tli , whose “next” hub, identified by thi , is obtained from the mereology of the link identified by tli ;
 - ii informs the monitor, on channel $vm[vi,mi]$, that it is now at the very beginning (0) of the link identified by tli , whereupon the vehicle resumes the vehicle behaviour positioned at the very beginning of that link,
- c or, again internally non-deterministically, the vehicle “disappears — off the radar” !

349 $veh_{vi}(mi)(vp:atH(hi,fli,tli)) \equiv$

349a $v_m_ch[vi,mi]!vp ; veh_{vi}(mi)(vp)$

349b \sqcap

349(b)i **let** $\{hi',thi\} = mereo_L(get_link(tli)(n))$ **in**

349(b)i **assert:** $hi' = hi$

349(b)ii $v_m_ch[vi,mi]!onL(tli,hi,thi,0) ;$

349(b)ii $veh_{vi}(mi)(onL(tli,hi,thi,0))$ **end**

349c \sqcap **stop**

350 We describe here an abstraction of the vehicle behaviour **on** a Link (ii). Either

- a the vehicle remains at that link position informing the monitor of its position,
- b or, internally non-deterministically, if the vehicle’s position on the link has not yet reached the hub,
 - i then the vehicle moves an arbitrary increment ℓ_ϵ (less than or equal to the distance to the hub) along the link informing the monitor of this, or
 - ii else,
 - 1 while obtaining a “next link” from the mereology of the hub (where that next link could very well be the same as the link the vehicle is about to leave),
 - 2 the vehicle informs the monitor that it is now at the hub identified by thi , whereupon the vehicle resumes the vehicle behaviour positioned at that hub.
- c or, internally non-deterministically, the vehicle “disappears — off the radar” !

350 $veh_{vi}(mi)(vp:onL(li,fhi,thi,r)) \equiv$

350a $v_m_ch[vi,mi]!vp ; veh_{vi}(mi,va)(vp)$

350b \sqcap **if** $r + \ell_\epsilon \leq 1$

350(b)i **then**

350(b)i $v_m_ch[vi,mi]!onL(li,fhi,thi,r+\ell_\epsilon) ;$


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350(b)i      vehvi(mi)(onL(li,fhi,thi,r+ℓε))
350(b)ii     else
350(b)ii1    let li':L•li' ∈ mereo_H(get_hub(thi)(n)) in
350(b)ii2    v_m_ch[vi,mi]!atH(li,thi,li');
350(b)ii2    vehvi(mi)(atH(li,thi,li')) end end
350c        [] stop

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The Monitor Behaviour

- 351 The monitor behaviour evolves around
- a the monitor identifier,
 - b the monitor mereology,
 - c and the attributes, **ma:ATTR**
 - d — where we have factored out as a separate arguments — a table of traces of time-stamped vehicle positions,
 - e while accepting messages
 - i about time
 - ii and about vehicle positions
 - f and otherwise progressing “in[de]finitely”.
- 352 Either the monitor “does own work”
- 353 or, internally non-deterministically accepts messages from vehicles.
- a A vehicle position message, **vp**, may arrive from the vehicle identified by **vi**.
 - b That message is appended to that vehicle’s movement trace – prefixed by time (obtained from the time channel),
 - c whereupon the monitor resumes its behaviour —
 - d where the communicating vehicles range over all identified vehicles.

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351 monmi(vis)(trf) ≡
352   monmi(vis)(trf)
353   []
353a   [] {let tvp = (clk_ch?, v_m_ch[vi,mi]?) in
353b     let trf' = trf † [vi ↦ trf(vi)ˆ<tvp>] in
353c     monmi(vis)(trf')
353d   end end | vi:Vl • vi ∈ vis}

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We are about to complete a long, i.e., a 6.3 page example (!). We can now comment on the full example: The domain, $\delta : \Delta$ is a manifest part. The road net, $n : N$ is also a manifest part. The fleet, $f : F$, of vehicles, $vs : VS$, likewise, is a manifest part. But the monitor, $m : M$, is a concept. One does not have to think of it as a manifest “observer”. The vehicles are on — or off — the road (i.e., links and hubs). We know that from a few observations and generalise to all vehicles. They either move or stand still. We also, similarly, know that. Vehicles move. Yes, we know that. Based on all these repeated observations and generalisations we introduce the concept of vehicle traffic. Unless positioned high above a road net — and with good binoculars — a single person cannot really observe the traffic. There are simply too many links, hubs, vehicles, vehicle positions and times. Thus we conclude that, even in a richly manifest domain, we can also “speak of”, that is, describe concepts over manifest phenomena, including time !

8.2.4 Domain Facets

The example of this section, i.e., Sect. 8.2, focuses on the *domain facet* [52, 2008] of (i) *intrinsic*. It does not reflect the other *domain facets*: (ii) domain support technologies, (iii) domain rules, regulations & scripts, (iv) organisation & management, and (v) human behaviour. The requirements examples, i.e., the rest of this chapter, thus builds only on the *domain intrinsic*. This means that we shall not be able to cover principles, technique and tools for the prescription of such important requirements that handle failures of support technology or humans. We shall, however point out where we think such, for example, fault tolerance requirements prescriptions “fit in” and refer to relevant publications for their handling.

8.3 Requirements

This and the next three sections, that is, Sects. 8.4–8.5., are the main sections of this chapter. Section 8.4. is the most detailed and systematic section. It covers the *domain requirements* operations of *projection*, *instantiation*, *determination*, *extension* and, less detailed, *fitting*. Section 8.5. surveys the *interface requirements* issues of *shared phenomena*: *shared endurants*, *shared actions*, *shared events* and *shared behaviour*, and “completes” the exemplification of the detailed *domain extension* of our requirements into a *road pricing system*. Section 8.5. also covers the notion of *derived requirements*. Sections 8.4.–8.5. covers *initial requirements*. By *initial requirements* we shall, “operationally” speaking, understand the requirements that are derived from the general principles outlined in these sections ■ In contrast to these are the further requirements that are typically derived either from the *domain facet descriptions* of *intrinsic*, the *support technology*, the *rules & regulations*, the *organisation & management*, and the *human behaviour facets* [52] — not covered in this chapter, and/or by more conventional means [134, 253, 380, 264, 256, 301, 355].

Definition: 75 Requirements (I): By a *requirements* we understand (cf., [245, IEEE Standard 610.12]): “A condition or capability needed by a user to solve a problem or achieve an objective” ■

The objective of requirements engineering is to create a *requirements prescription*: A *requirements prescription* specifies observable properties of endurants and perdurants of *the machine* such as the requirements stake-holders wish them to be ■ The *machine* is what is required: that is, the *hardware* and *software* that is to be designed and which are to satisfy the requirements ■ A *requirements prescription* thus (*putatively*) expresses what there should be. A requirements prescription expresses nothing about the design of the possibly desired (required) software. But as the requirements prescription is presented in the form of a model, one can base the design on that model. We shall show how a major part of a requirements prescription can be “derived” from “its” prerequisite domain description.

Rule 1 The “Golden Rule” of Requirements Engineering: Prescribe only those requirements that can be objectively shown to hold for the designed software ■

⁹ “Objectively shown” means that the designed software can either be tested, or be model checked, or be proved (verified), to satisfy the requirements. **Caveat:** Since we do not illustrate formal tests, model checking nor theorem proving, we shall, alas, not illustrate adherence to this rule.

Rule 2 An “Ideal Rule” of Requirements Engineering: When prescribing (including formalising) requirements, also formulate tests and properties for model checking and theorems whose proof should show adherence to the requirements ■

The rule is labelled “ideal” since such precautions will not be shown in this chapter. The rule is clear. It is a question for proper management to see that it is adhered to. See the “Caveat” above !

Rule 3 Requirements Adequacy: Make sure that requirements cover what users expect ■

That is, do not express a requirement for which you have no users, but make sure that all users’ requirements are represented or somehow accommodated. In other words: the requirements gathering process needs to be like an extremely “fine-meshed net”: One must make sure that all possible stake-holders have been involved in the requirements acquisition process, and that possible conflicts and other inconsistencies have been obviated.

Rule 4 Requirements Implementability: Make sure that requirements are implementable ■

That is, do not express a requirement for which you have no assurance that it can be implemented. In other words, although the requirements phase is not a design phase, one must tacitly assume, perhaps even indicate, somehow, that an implementation is possible. But the requirements in and by themselves, may stay short of expressing such designs. **Caveat:** The domain and requirements specifications are, in our approach, model-oriented. That helps expressing ‘implementability’.

Definition: 76 Requirements (II): By *requirements* we shall understand a document which prescribes desired properties of a machine: what endurants the machine shall “maintain”, and what the machine shall (must; not should) offer of functions and of behaviours while also expressing which events the machine shall “handle” ■

⁹ ■ marks the end of a rule.

By a machine that “maintains” *endurants* we shall mean: a machine which, “between” users’ use of that machine, “keeps” the data that represents these entities. From earlier we repeat:

Definition: 77 Machine: By *machine* we shall understand a, or the, combination of hardware and software that is the target for, or result of the required computing systems development ■

So this, then, is a main objective of requirements development: to start towards the design of the hardware + software for the computing system.

Definition: 78 Requirements (III): To specify the machine ■

When we express requirements and wish to “convert” such requirements to a realisation, i.e., an implementation, then we find that some requirements (parts) imply certain properties to hold of the hardware on which the software to be developed is to “run”, and, obviously, that remaining — probably the larger parts of the — requirements imply certain properties to hold of that software.

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Whereas domain descriptions may describe phenomena that cannot be computed, requirements prescriptions must describe computable phenomena.

8.3.1 Some Requirements Aspects

We shall unravel requirements in two stages — (i) the first stage is sketchy (and thus informal) (ii) while the last stage is systematic and both informal and formal. The sketchy stage consists of (i.1) a narrative *problem/objective sketch*, (i.2) a narrative *system requirements sketch*, and (i.3) a narrative *user & external equipment requirements sketch*. (ii) The narrative and formal stage consists of *design assumptions* and *design requirements*. It is systematic, and mandates both strict narrative and formal prescriptions. And it is “derivable” from the domain description. In a sense stage (i) is made superfluous once stage (ii) has been completed. The formal, engineering design work is to be based on stage (ii). The purpose of the two stages (i–ii) is twofold: to gently lead the requirements engineer and the reader into the requirements problems while leading the requirements engineer and reader to focus on the very requirements essentials.

8.3.1.1 Requirements Sketches

8.3.1.1.1 Problem, Solution and Objective Sketch

Definition: 79 Problem, Solution and Objective Sketch: By a problem, solution and objective sketch we understand a narrative which emphasises what the *problem* to be solved is, outlines a possible *solution* and sketches an *objective* of the solution ■

Requirements: Sketch of Objectives

Example 109 The *problem* is that of traffic congestion. The chosen *solution* is to [build and] operate a toll-road system integrated into a road net and charge toll-road users a usage fee. The *objective* is therefore to create a **road-pricing product**. By a road-pricing product we shall understand an information technology-based system containing computers and communications equipment and software that enables the recording of *vehicle* movements within the *toll-road* and thus enables the *owner* of the road net to charge the *owner* of the vehicles *fees* for the usage of that toll-road ■

8.3.1.1.2 Systems Requirements

Definition: 80 System Requirements: By a *system requirements narrative* we understand a narrative which emphasises the overall assumed and/or required hardware and software system equipment ■

Requirements: Road Pricing, A Narrative

Example 110 The requirements are based on the following constellation of system equipment: (i) there is assumed a GNSS: a GLOBAL NAVIGATION SATELLITE SYSTEM; (ii) there are *vehicles* equipped with GNSS receivers; (iii) there is a well-delineated road net called a *toll-road* net with specially equipped *toll-gates* with *vehicle identification sensors*, *exit barriers* which afford (only specially equipped) vehicles to exit¹⁰ from the toll-road net; and (iv) there is a *road-pricing calculator*.

The system to be designed (from the requirements) is the *road-pricing calculator*. These four system elements are required to behave and interact as follows: (a) The GNSS is assumed to continuously offer vehicles information about their global position; (b) *vehicles* shall contain a GNSS receiver which based on the global position information shall regularly calculate their timed local position and offer this to the *calculator* — while otherwise cruising the general road net as well as the toll-road net, the latter while carefully moving through toll-gates; (c) *toll-gates* shall register the identity of vehicles passing the toll-road and offer this information to the calculator; and (d) the *calculator* shall accept all messages from vehicles and gates and use this information to record the movements of vehicles and bill these whenever they exit the toll-road. The requirements are therefore to include **assumptions about** [1] the GNSS satellite and telecommunications equipment, [2] the vehicle GNSS receiver equipment, [3] the vehicle handling of GNSS input and forwarding, to the road pricing system, of its interpretation of GNSS input, [4] the toll-gate sensor equipment, [5] the toll-gate barrier equipment, [6] the toll-gate handling of entry, vehicle identification and exit sensors and the forwarding of vehicle identification to the road pricing calculator, and [7] the communications between toll-gates and vehicles, on “one side”, and the road pricing calculator, on the “other side”. It is in this sense that the requirements are for an information technology-based system of both software and hardware — not just hard computer and communications equipment, but also movement sensors and electro-mechanical “gear” ■

8.3.1.1.3 User and External Equipment Requirements

Definition: 81 User and External Equipment Requirements: By a *user and external equipment requirements narrative* we understand a narrative which emphasises assumptions about the human user and external equipment interfaces to the system components ■

The user and external equipment requirements detail, and thus make explicit, the assumptions listed in Example 110.

Requirements: Road Pricing, User and External Equipment, Narrative

Example 111 The human users of the road-pricing system are: (a) *vehicle drivers*, (b) toll-gate sensor, actuator and barrier *service staff*, and (c) the road-pricing calculator *service staff*. The external equipment are: (1) firstly, the GNSS satellites and the telecommunications equipment which enables *communication* between (i) the GNSS satellites and vehicles, (ii) vehicles and the road-pricing calculator and (iii) toll-gates and the road-pricing calculator. Moreover, the external *equipment* are (2) the toll-gates with their sensors: entry, vehicle identity, and exit, and the barrier actuator. The external *equipment* are, finally, (3), the vehicles! ■

That is, although we do indeed exemplify domain and requirements aspects of users and external equipment, we do not expect to machine, i.e., to hardware or software design these elements; *they are assumed already implemented!*

8.3.1.2 The Narrative and Formal Requirements Stage

8.3.1.2.1 Assumption and Design Requirements

Definition: 82 Assumption and Design Requirements: By *assumption and design requirements* we understand precise prescriptions of the endurants and perdurants of the (to be designed) system components and the assumptions which that design must rely upon ■

The specification principles, techniques and tools of expressing *design* and *assumptions*, upon which the design can be relied, will be covered and exemplified, extensively, in Sects. 8.4–8.5.

8.3.2 The Three Phases of Requirements Engineering

There are, as we see it, three kinds of design assumptions and requirements: (i) *domain requirements*, (ii) *interface requirements* and (iii) *machine requirements*. (i) **Domain requirements** are those requirements which can be expressed solely using terms of the domain ■ (ii) **Interface requirements** are those requirements which can be expressed only using technical terms of both the domain and the machine ■ (iii) **Machine requirements** are those requirements which, in principle, can be expressed solely using terms of the machine ■

Definition: 83 Verification Paradigm: Some preliminary designations: let \mathcal{D} designate the domain description; let \mathcal{R} designate the requirements prescription, and let \mathcal{S} designate the system design. Now $\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{S} \models \mathcal{R}$ shall be read: it must be verified that the \mathcal{S} ystem design satisfies the \mathcal{R} equirements prescription in the context of the \mathcal{D} omain description ■

The “in the context of \mathcal{D} ...” term means that proofs of \mathcal{S} oftware design correctness with respect to \mathcal{R} equirements will often have to refer to \mathcal{D} omain requirements assumptions. We refer to [185, Gunter, Jackson and Zave, 2000] for an analysis of a varieties of forms in which \models relate to variants of \mathcal{D} , \mathcal{R} and \mathcal{S} .

8.3.3 Order of Presentation of Requirements Prescriptions

The *domain requirements development* stage — as we shall see — can be sub-staged into: *projection*, *instantiation*, *determination*, *extension* and *fitting*. The *interface requirements development* stage — can be sub-staged into shared: *endurant*, *action*, *event* and *behaviour* developments, where “sharedness” pertains to phenomena shared between, i.e., “present” in, both the domain (concretely, manifestly) and the machine (abstractly, conceptually). These development stages need not be pursued in the order of the three stages and their sub-stages. We emphasize that one thing is the stages and steps of development, as for example these: projection, instantiation, determination, extension, fitting, shared endurants, shared actions, shared events, shared behaviours, et cetera, another thing is the requirements prescription that results from these development stages and steps. The further software development, after and on the basis of the requirements prescription starts only when all stages and steps of the requirements prescription have been fully developed. The domain engineer is now free to rearrange the final prescription, irrespective of the order in which the various sections were developed, in such a way as to give a most pleasing, pedagogic and cohesive reading (i.e., presentation). From such a requirements prescription one can therefore not necessarily see in which order the various sections of the prescription were developed.

8.3.4 Design Requirements and Design Assumptions

A crucial distinction is between *design requirements* and *design assumptions*. The *design requirements* are those requirements for which the system designer **has to** implement hardware or software in order satisfy system user expectations ■ The *design assumptions* are those requirements for which the

system designer **does not** have to implement hardware or software, but whose properties the designed hardware, respectively software relies on for proper functioning ■

Requirements: Road Pricing, Design Requirements

Example 112 The design requirements for the road pricing calculator of this chapter are for the design (ii) of that part of the vehicle software which interfaces the GNSS receiver and the road pricing calculator (cf. Items 432–435), (iii) of that part of the toll-gate software which interfaces the toll-gate and the road pricing calculator (cf. Items 440–442) and (i) of the road pricing calculator (cf. Items 471–484) ■

Requirements: Road Pricing, Design Assumptions

Example 113 The design assumptions for the road pricing calculator include: (i) that *vehicles* behave as prescribed in Items 431–435, (ii) that the GNSS regularly offers vehicles correct information as to their global position (cf. Item 432), (iii) that *toll-gates* behave as prescribed in Items 437–442, and (iv) that the *road net* is formed and well-formed as defined in Examples 118 – 120 ■

Requirements: Road Pricing, Toll-Gate System, Design Requirements

Example 114 The design requirements for the toll-gate system of this chapter are for the design of software for the toll-gate and its interfaces to the road pricing system, i.e., Items 436–437 ■

Requirements: Road Pricing, Toll-Gate System, Design Assumptions

Example 115 The design assumptions for the toll-gate system include (i) that the vehicles behave as per Items 431–435, and (ii) that the road pricing calculator behave as per Items 471–484 ■

8.3.5 Derived Requirements

In building up the domain, interface and machine requirements a number of machine concepts are introduced. These machine concepts enable the expression of additional requirements. It is these we refer to as derived requirements. Techniques and tools espoused in such classical publications as [134, 253, 380, 264, 355] can in those cases be used to advantage.

8.4 Domain Requirements

Domain requirements primarily express the assumptions that a design must rely upon in order that that design can be verified. Although domain requirements firstly express assumptions it appears that the software designer is well-advised in also implementing, as data structures and procedures, the endurants, respectively perdurants expressed in the domain requirements prescriptions. Whereas domain endurants are “real-life” phenomena they are now, in domain requirements prescriptions, abstract concepts (to be represented by a machine).

Definition: 84 Domain Requirements Prescription: A *domain requirements prescription* is that subset of the requirements prescription whose technical terms are defined in a domain description ■

To determine a relevant subset all we need is collaboration with requirements, cum domain stake-holders. Experimental evidence, in the form of example developments of requirements prescriptions from domain descriptions, appears to show that one can formulate techniques for such developments around a few domain-description-to-requirements-prescription operations. We suggest these: *projection*, *instantiation*, *determination*, *extension* and *fitting*. In Sect. 8.3.3 we mentioned that the order in which one performs these

domain-description-to-domain-requirements-prescription operations is not necessarily the order in which we have listed them here, but, with notable exceptions, one is well-served in starting out requirements development by following this order.

8.4.1 Domain Projection

Definition: 85 Domain Projection: By a *domain projection* is meant a subset of the domain description, one which projects out all those endurants: parts, materials and components, as well as perdurants: actions, events and behaviours that the stake-holders do not wish represented or relied upon by the machine ■

The resulting document is a *partial domain requirements prescription*. In determining an appropriate subset the requirements engineer must secure that the final “projection prescription” is complete and consistent — that is, that there are no “dangling references”, i.e., that all entities and their internal properties that are referred to are all properly defined.

8.4.1.1 Domain Projection — Narrative

We now start on a series of examples that illustrate domain requirements development.

Requirements: Domain Requirements, Projection – A Narrative Sketch

Example 116 We require that the road pricing system shall [at most] relate to the following domain entities – and only to these¹¹: the net, its links and hubs, and their properties (unique identifiers, mereologies and some attributes), the vehicles, as endurants, and the general vehicle behaviours, as perdurants. We treat projection together with a concept of *simplification*. The example simplifications are vehicle positions and, related to the simpler vehicle position, vehicle behaviours. To prescribe and formalise this we copy the domain description. From that domain description we remove all mention of the hub insertion action, the link disappearance event, and the monitor ■

As a result we obtain $\Delta_{\mathcal{P}}$, the projected version of the domain requirements prescription¹².

8.4.1.2 Domain Projection — Formalisation

The requirements prescription hinges, crucially, not only on a systematic narrative of all the projected, instantiated, determinated, extended and fitted specifications, but also on their formalisation. In the formal domain projection example we, regrettably, omit the narrative texts. In bringing the formal texts we keep the item numbering from Sect. 8.2, where you can find the associated narrative texts.

Requirements: Domain Requirements, Projection

Example 117 Main Sorts

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type
304  Δℙ
304a Nℙ
304b Fℙ
value
304a obs.Nℙ: Δℙ → Nℙ
304b obs.Fℙ: Δℙ → Fℙ
```

Concrete Types

```
type
305a HAℙ
305b LAℙ
value
305a obs.HA: Nℙ → HA
305b obs.LA: Nℙ → LA
```

¹² Restrictions of the net to the toll road nets, hinted at earlier, will follow in the next domain requirements steps.

type306 $H_{\mathcal{D}}, HS_{\mathcal{D}} = H_{\mathcal{D}}\text{-set}$ 307 $L_{\mathcal{D}}, LS_{\mathcal{D}} = L_{\mathcal{D}}\text{-set}$ 308 $V_{\mathcal{D}}, VS_{\mathcal{D}} = V_{\mathcal{D}}\text{-set}$ **value**306 $\text{obs_HS}_{\mathcal{D}}: HA_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow HS_{\mathcal{D}}$ **Unique Identifiers****type**310a HI, LI, VI, MI **value**310c $\text{uid_HI}: H_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow HI$ 310c $\text{uid_LI}: L_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow LI$ 307 $\text{obs_LS}_{\mathcal{D}}: LA_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow LS_{\mathcal{D}}$ 308 $\text{obs_VS}_{\mathcal{D}}: F_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow VS_{\mathcal{D}}$ 309a $\text{links}: \Delta_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow L\text{-set}$ 309a $\text{links}(\delta_{\mathcal{D}}) \equiv \text{obs_LS}_{\mathcal{D}}(\text{obs_LA}_{\mathcal{D}}(\delta_{\mathcal{D}}))$ 309b $\text{hubs}: \Delta_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow H\text{-set}$ 309b $\text{hubs}(\delta_{\mathcal{D}}) \equiv \text{obs_HS}_{\mathcal{D}}(\text{obs_HA}_{\mathcal{D}}(\delta_{\mathcal{D}}))$ **Mereology****value**315 $\text{obs_mereo_H}_{\mathcal{D}}: H_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow LI\text{-set}$ 316 $\text{obs_mereo_L}_{\mathcal{D}}: L_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow HI\text{-set}$ 316 **axiom** $\forall l: L_{\mathcal{D}} \bullet \text{card mereo_L}_{\mathcal{D}}(l) = 2$ 317 $\text{obs_mereo_V}_{\mathcal{D}}: V_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow MI$ 318 $\text{obs_mereo_M}_{\mathcal{D}}: M_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow VI\text{-set}$ **axiom**319 $\forall \delta_{\mathcal{D}}: \Delta_{\mathcal{D}}, \text{hs}: HS \bullet \text{hs} = \text{hubs}(\delta_{\mathcal{D}}), \text{ls}: LS \bullet \text{ls} = \text{links}(\delta_{\mathcal{D}}) \Rightarrow$ 319 $\forall h: H_{\mathcal{D}} \bullet h \in \text{hs} \Rightarrow \text{mereo_H}_{\mathcal{D}}(h) \subseteq \text{xtr_his}(\delta_{\mathcal{D}}) \wedge$ 320 $\forall l: L_{\mathcal{D}} \bullet l \in \text{ls} \bullet \text{mereo_L}_{\mathcal{D}}(l) \subseteq \text{xtr_lis}(\delta_{\mathcal{D}}) \wedge$ 321a **let** $f: F_{\mathcal{D}} \bullet f = \text{obs_F}_{\mathcal{D}}(\delta_{\mathcal{D}}) \Rightarrow \text{vs}: VS_{\mathcal{D}} \bullet \text{vs} = \text{obs_VS}_{\mathcal{D}}(f)$ **in**321a $\forall v: V_{\mathcal{D}} \bullet v \in \text{vs} \Rightarrow \text{uid_V}_{\mathcal{D}}(v) \in \text{mereo_M}_{\mathcal{D}}(m)$ 321b $\wedge \text{mereo_M}_{\mathcal{D}}(m) = \{\text{uid_V}_{\mathcal{D}}(v) \mid v: V \bullet v \in \text{vs}\}$ 321b **end****Attributes:** We project attributes of hubs, links and vehicles.First **hubs**:**type**322a GeoH 322b $H\Sigma_{\mathcal{D}} = (LI \times LI)\text{-set}$ 322c $H\Omega_{\mathcal{D}} = H\Sigma_{\mathcal{D}}\text{-set}$ **value**322b $\text{attr_H\Sigma}_{\mathcal{D}}: H_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow H\Sigma_{\mathcal{D}}$ 322c $\text{attr_H}\Omega_{\mathcal{D}}: H_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow H\Omega_{\mathcal{D}}$ **axiom**323 $\forall \delta_{\mathcal{D}}: \Delta_{\mathcal{D}},$ 323 **let** $\text{hs} = \text{hubs}(\delta_{\mathcal{D}})$ **in**323 $\forall h: H_{\mathcal{D}} \bullet h \in \text{hs} \bullet$ 323a $\text{xtr_lis}(h) \subseteq \text{xtr_lis}(\delta_{\mathcal{D}})$ 323b $\wedge \text{attr_}\Sigma_{\mathcal{D}}(h) \in \text{attr_}\Omega_{\mathcal{D}}(h)$ 323 **end**Then **links**:**type**326 GeoL 327a $L\Sigma_{\mathcal{D}} = (HI \times HI)\text{-set}$ 327b $L\Omega_{\mathcal{D}} = L\Sigma_{\mathcal{D}}\text{-set}$ **value**326 $\text{attr_GeoL}: L \rightarrow \text{GeoL}$ 327a $\text{attr_L\Sigma}_{\mathcal{D}}: L_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow L\Sigma_{\mathcal{D}}$ 327b $\text{attr_L}\Omega_{\mathcal{D}}: L_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow L\Omega_{\mathcal{D}}$ **axiom**

327a– 327b on Page 203.

Finally **vehicles**: For ‘road pricing’ we need vehicle positions. But, for “technical reasons”, we must abstain from the detailed description given in Items 328–328c¹³ We therefore *simplify* vehicle positions.

354 A simplified vehicle position designates

a either a link

b or a hub,

type354 $\text{SVPoS} = \text{SonL} \mid \text{SatH}$


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354a SonL :: LI
354b SatH :: HI
axiom
328a'  $\forall n:N, \text{SonL}(li):SVPos \cdot$ 
328a'  $\exists l:L \cdot l \in \text{obs\_LS}(\text{obs\_N}(n)) \Rightarrow li = \text{uid\_L}(l)$ 
328c'  $\forall n:N, \text{SatH}(hi):SVPos \cdot$ 
328c'  $\exists h:H \cdot h \in \text{obs\_HS}(\text{obs\_N}(n)) \Rightarrow hi = \text{uid\_H}(h)$ 

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Global Values

```

value
338  $\delta_{\mathcal{P}}:\Delta_{\mathcal{P}},$ 
339  $n:N_{\mathcal{P}} = \text{obs\_N}_{\mathcal{P}}(\delta_{\mathcal{P}}),$ 
339  $ls:L_{\mathcal{P}}\text{-set} = \text{links}(\delta_{\mathcal{P}}),$ 
339  $hs:H_{\mathcal{P}}\text{-set} = \text{hubs}(\delta_{\mathcal{P}}),$ 
339  $lis:LI\text{-set} = \text{xtr\_lis}(\delta_{\mathcal{P}}),$ 
339  $his:HI\text{-set} = \text{xtr\_his}(\delta_{\mathcal{P}})$ 

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Behaviour Signatures: We omit the monitor behaviour.

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355 We leave the vehicle behaviours' attribute ar- 355 ATTR
    gument undefined.
value
345  $\text{trs}_{\mathcal{P}}: \text{Unit} \rightarrow \text{Unit}$ 
type
346  $\text{veh}_{\mathcal{P}}: VI \times MI \times ATTR \rightarrow \dots \text{Unit}$ 

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The System Behaviour: We omit the monitor behaviour.

```

value
348a  $\text{trs}_{\mathcal{P}}() = \parallel \{ \text{veh}_{\mathcal{P}}(\text{uid\_VI}(v), \text{mereo\_V}(v), \_) \mid v:V_{\mathcal{P}} \cdot v \in \text{vs} \}$ 

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The Vehicle Behaviour: Given the simplification of vehicle positions we *simplify* the vehicle behaviour given in Items 349–350

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349'  $\text{veh}_{vi}(mi)(vp:\text{SatH}(hi)) \equiv$ 
349a'  $v\_m\_ch[vi,mi]!\text{SatH}(hi) ; \text{veh}_{vi}(mi)(\text{SatH}(hi))$ 
349(b)i'  $\square \text{ let } li:L \cdot li \in \text{mereo\_H}(\text{get\_hub}(hi)(n)) \text{ in}$ 
349(b)ii'  $v\_m\_ch[vi,mi]!\text{SonL}(li) ; \text{veh}_{vi}(mi)(\text{SonL}(li)) \text{ end}$ 
349c'  $\square \text{ stop}$ 

350'  $\text{veh}_{vi}(mi)(vp:\text{SonL}(li)) \equiv$ 
350a'  $v\_m\_ch[vi,mi]!\text{SonL}(li) ; \text{veh}_{vi}(mi)(\text{SonL}(li))$ 
350(b)ii1'  $\square \text{ let } hi:HI \cdot hi \in \text{mereo\_L}(\text{get\_link}(li)(n)) \text{ in}$ 
350(b)ii2'  $v\_m\_ch[vi,mi]!\text{SatH}(hi) ; \text{veh}_{vi}(mi)(\text{atH}(hi)) \text{ end}$ 
350c'  $\square \text{ stop}$ 

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We can simplify Items 349'–350c' further.

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356  $\text{veh}_{vi}(mi)(vp) \equiv$ 
357  $v\_m\_ch[vi,mi]!vp ; \text{veh}_{vi}(mi)(vp)$ 
358  $\square \text{ case } vp \text{ of}$ 
358  $\text{SatH}(hi) \rightarrow$ 
359  $\text{let } li:L \cdot li \in \text{mereo\_H}(\text{get\_hub}(hi)(n)) \text{ in}$ 
360  $v\_m\_ch[vi,mi]!\text{SonL}(li) ; \text{veh}_{vi}(mi)(\text{SonL}(li)) \text{ end},$ 
358  $\text{SonL}(li) \rightarrow$ 
361  $\text{let } hi:HI \cdot hi \in \text{mereo\_L}(\text{get\_link}(li)(n)) \text{ in}$ 
362  $v\_m\_ch[vi,mi]!\text{SatH}(hi) ; \text{veh}_{vi}(mi)(\text{atH}(hi)) \text{ end end}$ 
363  $\square \text{ stop}$ 

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356 This line coalesces Items 349' and 350'.

357 Coalescing Items 349a' and 350'.

358 Captures the distinct parameters of Items 349' and 350'.

359 Item 349(b)i'.

360 Item 349(b)iii'.
 361 Item 350(b)iii1'.
 362 Item 350(b)iii2'.
 363 Coalescing Items 349c' and 350c'.

The above vehicle behaviour definition will be transformed (i.e., further “refined”) in Sect. 8.5.1.3’s Example 126; cf. Items 431– 435 on Page 228 ■

8.4.1.3 Discussion

Domain projection can also be achieved by developing a “completely new” domain description — typically on the basis of one or more existing domain description(s) — where that “new” description now takes the rôle of being the project domain requirements.

8.4.2 Domain Instantiation

Definition: 86 Domain Instantiation: By *domain instantiation* we mean a *refinement* of the *partial domain requirements prescription* (resulting from the projection step) in which the refinements aim at rendering more concrete, more specific the *endurants: parts and materials*, as well as the *perdurants: actions, events and behaviours* of the domain requirements prescription ■ Instantiations usually render these concepts less general.

Properties that hold of the projected domain shall also hold of the (therefrom) instantiated domain.

Refinement of endurants can be expressed (i) either in the form of concrete types, (ii) or of further “delineating” axioms over sorts, (iii) or of a combination of concretisation and axioms. We shall exemplify the third possibility. Example 118 express requirements that the road net (on which the road-pricing system is to be based) must satisfy. Refinement of perdurants will not be illustrated (other than the simplification of the *vehicle* projected behaviour).

8.4.2.1 Domain Instantiation

Requirements: Domain Requirements, Instantiation – Road Net 1/2

Example 118 We now require that there is, as before, a road net, $n_{\mathcal{R}}:N_{\mathcal{R}}$, which can be understood as consisting of two, “connected sub-nets”. A toll-road net, $trn_{\mathcal{R}}:TRN_{\mathcal{R}}$, cf. Fig. 8.1 on the facing page, and an ordinary road net, $n_o:N_o$. The two are connected as follows: The toll-road net, $trn_{\mathcal{R}}$, borders some toll-road plazas, in Fig. 8.1 on the next page shown by white filled circles (i.e., hubs). These toll-road plaza hubs are proper hubs of the ‘ordinary’ road net, $n_o:N_o$.

364 The instantiated domain, $\delta_{\mathcal{R}}:\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}$ has just the net, $n_{\mathcal{R}}:N_{\mathcal{R}}$ being instantiated.

365 The road net consists of two “sub-nets”
 a an “ordinary” road net, $n_o:N_o$ and
 b a toll-road net proper, $trn:TRN_{\mathcal{R}}$ —
 c “connected” by an interface $hil:HIL$:

- i That interface consists of a number of toll-road plazas (i.e., hubs), modeled as a list of hub identifiers, $hil:HI^*$.
- ii The toll-road plaza interface to the toll-road net, $trn:TRN_{\mathcal{R}}^{14}$, has each plaza, $hil[i]$, connected to a pair of toll-road links: an entry and an exit link: $(l_e:L, l_x:L)$.
- iii The toll-road plaza interface to the ‘ordinary’ net, $n_o:N_o$, has each plaza,

i.e., the hub designated by the hub identifier $hil[i]$, connected to one or more ordinary net links, $\{l_{i_1}, l_{i_2}, \dots, l_{i_k}\}$.

365b The toll-road net, $trn:TRN_{\mathcal{R}}$, consists of three collections (modeled as lists) of links and hubs:

- i a list of pairs of toll-road entry/exit links: $\langle(l_{e_1}, l_{x_1}), \dots, (l_{e_\ell}, l_{x_\ell})\rangle$,
- ii a list of toll-road intersection hubs: $\langle h_{i_1}, h_{i_2}, \dots, h_{i_\ell} \rangle$, and
- iii a list of pairs of main toll-road (“up” and “down”) links: $\langle(ml_{i_{1u}}, ml_{i_{1d}}), (m_{i_{2u}}, m_{i_{2d}}), \dots, (m_{i_{\ell u}}, m_{i_{\ell d}})\rangle$.

d The three lists have commensurate lengths (ℓ).

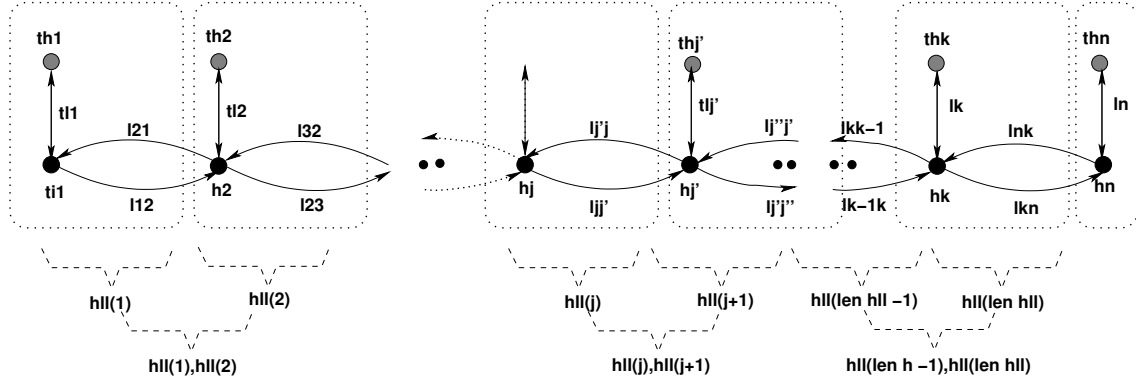


Fig. 8.1. A Toll Road

Requirements: Domain Requirements, Instantiation, Road Net 2/2

Example 118 (Continued) ℓ is the number of toll plazas, hence also the number of toll-road intersection hubs and therefore a number one larger than the number of pairs of main toll-road (“up” and “down”) links

type

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364  $\Delta \mathcal{J}$ 
365  $N_{\mathcal{J}} = N_{\mathcal{J}'} \times \text{HIL} \times \text{TRN}$ 
365a  $N_{\mathcal{J}'}$ 
365b  $\text{TRN}_{\mathcal{J}} = (L \times L)^* \times H^* \times (L \times L)^*$ 
365c  $\text{HIL} = H^*$ 

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axiom

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365d  $\forall n_{\mathcal{J}} : N_{\mathcal{J}} \bullet$ 
365d let  $(n_{\Delta}, \text{hil}, (\text{exll}, \text{hl}, \text{lll})) = n_{\mathcal{J}}$  in
365d  $\text{len hil} = \text{len exll} = \text{len hl} = \text{len lll} + 1$ 
365d end

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We have named the “ordinary” net sort (primed) $N_{\mathcal{J}'}$. It is “almost” like (unprimed) $N_{\mathcal{J}}$ — except that the interface hubs are also connected to the toll-road net entry and exit links. The partial concretisation of the net sorts, $N_{\mathcal{J}'}$ into $N_{\mathcal{J}}$ requires some additional well-formedness conditions to be satisfied.

366 The toll-road intersection hubs all¹⁵ have distinct identifiers.

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366  $\text{wf\_dist\_toll\_road\_isect\_hub\_ids} : H^* \rightarrow \text{Bool}$ 
366  $\text{wf\_dist\_toll\_road\_isect\_hub\_ids}(\text{hl}) \equiv \text{len hl} = \text{card xtr\_his}(\text{hl})$ 

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367 The toll-road links all have distinct identifiers.

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367  $\text{wf\_dist\_toll\_road\_u\_d\_link\_ids} : (L \times L)^* \rightarrow \text{Bool}$ 
367  $\text{wf\_dist\_toll\_road\_u\_d\_link\_ids}(\text{lll}) \equiv 2 \times \text{len lll} = \text{card xtr\_lis}(\text{lll})$ 

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368 The toll-road entry/exit links all have distinct identifiers.

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368  $\text{wf\_dist\_e\_x\_link\_ids} : (L \times L)^* \rightarrow \text{Bool}$ 
368  $\text{wf\_dist\_e\_x\_link\_ids}(\text{exll}) \equiv 2 \times \text{len exll} = \text{card xtr\_lis}(\text{exll})$ 

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369 Proper net links must not designate toll-road intersection hubs.

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369  $\text{wf\_isold\_toll\_road\_isect\_hubs} : H^* \times H^* \rightarrow N_{\mathcal{J}} \rightarrow \text{Bool}$ 
369  $\text{wf\_isold\_toll\_road\_isect\_hubs}(\text{hil}, \text{hl})(n_{\mathcal{J}}) \equiv$ 
369 let  $\text{ls} = \text{xtr\_links}(n_{\mathcal{J}})$  in
369 let  $\text{his} = \bigcup \{ \text{mereo\_L}(l) \mid l : L \bullet l \in \text{ls} \}$  in
369  $\text{his} \cap \text{xtr\_his}(\text{hl}) = \{ \}$  end end

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370 The plaza hub identifiers must designate hubs of the ‘ordinary’ net.	
370 $\text{wf_p_hubs_pt_of_ord_net}: \text{Hl}^* \rightarrow \text{N}'_{\Delta} \rightarrow \text{Bool}$	
370 $\text{wf_p_hubs_pt_of_ord_net}(\text{hil})(\text{n}'_{\Delta}) \equiv \text{elems hil} \subseteq \text{xtr_his}(\text{n}'_{\Delta})$	
371 The plaza hub mereologies must each,	
a besides identifying at least one hub of the ordinary net,	b also identify the two entry/exit links with which they are supposed to be connected.
371 $\text{wf_p_hub_interf}: \text{N}'_{\Delta} \rightarrow \text{Bool}$	371 let $\text{lis} = \text{mereo_H}(\text{h})$ in
371 $\text{wf_p_hub_interf}(\text{n}'_{\Delta}, \text{hil}, (\text{exll}, _)) \equiv$	371 let $\text{lis}' = \text{lis} \setminus \text{xtr_lis}(\text{n}'_{\Delta})$ in
371 $\forall i: \text{Nat} \cdot i \in \text{inds exll} \Rightarrow$	371 $\text{lis}' = \text{xtr_lis}(\text{exll}(i))$ end end end
371 let $\text{h} = \text{get_H}(\text{hil}(i))(\text{n}'_{\Delta})$ in	
372 The mereology of each toll-road intersection hub must identify	
a the entry/exit links	b and exactly the toll-road ‘up’ and ‘down’ links
	c with which they are supposed to be connected.
372 $\text{wf_toll_road_isect_hub_iface}: \text{N}_{\mathcal{J}} \rightarrow \text{Bool}$	372 case i of
372 $\text{wf_toll_road_isect_hub_iface}(_, _, (\text{exll}, \text{hl}, \text{lll})) \equiv$	372b $1 \rightarrow \text{xtr_lis}(\text{lll}(1)),$
372 $\forall i: \text{Nat} \cdot i \in \text{inds hl} \Rightarrow$	372b len $\text{hl} \rightarrow \text{xtr_lis}(\text{lll}(\text{len hl} - 1))$
372 $\text{mereo_H}(\text{hl}(i)) =$	372b $_ \rightarrow \text{xtr_lis}(\text{lll}(i)) \cup \text{xtr_lis}(\text{lll}(i - 1))$
372a $\text{xtr_lis}(\text{exll}(i)) \cup$	372 end
373 The mereology of the entry/exit links must identify exactly the	
a interface hubs and the	b toll-road intersection hubs
	c with which they are supposed to be connected.
373 $\text{wf_exll}: (\text{L} \times \text{L})^* \times \text{Hl}^* \times \text{H}^* \rightarrow \text{Bool}$	373 $\text{mereo_L}(\text{el}) = \text{mereo_L}(\text{xl})$
373 $\text{wf_exll}(\text{exll}, \text{hil}, \text{hl}) \equiv$	373 $= \{\text{hi}\} \cup \{\text{uid_H}(\text{h})\}$ end
373 $\forall i: \text{Nat} \cdot i \in \text{len exll}$	373 pre: len $\text{exll} = \text{len hil} = \text{len hl}$
373 let $(\text{hi}, (\text{el}, \text{xl}), \text{h}) = (\text{hil}(i), \text{exll}(i), \text{hl}(i))$ in	
374 The mereology of the toll-road ‘up’ and ‘down’ links must	
	a identify exactly the toll-road intersection hubs
	b with which they are supposed to be connected.
374 $\text{wf_u_d_links}: (\text{L} \times \text{L})^* \times \text{H}^* \rightarrow \text{Bool}$	374 $\text{mereo_L}(\text{ul}) = \text{mereo_L}(\text{dl}) =$
374 $\text{wf_u_d_links}(\text{lll}, \text{hl}) \equiv$	374a $\text{uid_H}(\text{hl}(i)) \cup \text{uid_H}(\text{hl}(i + 1))$ end
374 $\forall i: \text{Nat} \cdot i \in \text{inds lll} \Rightarrow$	374 pre: len $\text{lll} = \text{len hl} + 1$
374 let $(\text{ul}, \text{dl}) = \text{lll}(i)$ in	
We have used some additional auxiliary functions:	
$\text{xtr_his}: \text{H}^* \rightarrow \text{Hl-set}$	$\text{xtr_lis}(\text{l}', \text{l}'') \equiv \{\text{uid_Ll}(\text{l}')$
$\text{xtr_his}(\text{hl}) \equiv \{\text{uid_Hl}(\text{h}) \mid \text{h}: \text{H} \cdot \text{h} \in \text{elems hl}\}$	$\cup \{\text{uid_Ll}(\text{l}'')\}$
$\text{xtr_lis}: (\text{L} \times \text{L}) \rightarrow \text{Ll-set}$	$\text{xtr_lis}: (\text{L} \times \text{L})^* \rightarrow \text{Ll-set}$
	$\text{xtr_lis}(\text{lll}) \equiv$
	$\cup \{\text{xtr_lis}(\text{l}', \text{l}'') \mid (\text{l}', \text{l}'') : (\text{L} \times \text{L}) \cdot (\text{l}', \text{l}'') \in \text{elems lll}\}$
375 The well-formedness of instantiated nets is now the conjunction of the individual well-formedness predicates above.	
375 $\text{wf_instantiated_net}: \text{N}_{\mathcal{J}} \rightarrow \text{Bool}$	
375 $\text{wf_instantiated_net}(\text{n}'_{\Delta}, \text{hil}, (\text{exll}, \text{hl}, \text{lll}))$	
366 $\text{wf_dist_toll_road_isect_hub_ids}(\text{hl})$	
367 $\wedge \text{wf_dist_toll_road_u_d_link_ids}(\text{lll})$	
368 $\wedge \text{wf_dist_e_e_link_ids}(\text{exll})$	
369 $\wedge \text{wf_isolated_toll_road_isect_hubs}(\text{hil}, \text{hl})(\text{n}'_{\Delta})$	
370 $\wedge \text{wf_p_hubs_pt_of_ord_net}(\text{hil})(\text{n}'_{\Delta})$	
371 $\wedge \text{wf_p_hub_interf}(\text{n}'_{\Delta}, \text{hil}, (\text{exll}, _))$	
372 $\wedge \text{wf_toll_road_isect_hub_iface}(_, _, (\text{exll}, \text{hl}, \text{lll}))$	

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373  ∧ wf_exll(exll,hil,hl)
374  ∧ wf_u_d_links(lll,hl)

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8.4.2.2 Domain Instantiation — Abstraction

Requirements: Domain Requirements, Instantiation of Road Net, Abstraction

Example 119 Domain instantiation has refined an abstract definition of net sorts, $n_{\mathcal{D}}:N_{\mathcal{D}}$, into a partially concrete definition of nets, $n_{\mathcal{J}}:N_{\mathcal{J}}$. We need to show the refinement relation:

- $\text{abstraction}(n_{\mathcal{J}}) = n_{\mathcal{D}}$.

value

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376  abstraction:  $N_{\mathcal{J}} \rightarrow N_{\mathcal{D}}$ 
377  abstraction( $n'_{\mathcal{J}}, \text{hil}, (\text{exll}, \text{hl}, \text{lll})$ )  $\equiv$ 
378    let  $n_{\mathcal{D}}:N_{\mathcal{D}} \bullet$ 
378      let  $\text{hs} = \text{obs\_HS}_{\mathcal{D}}(\text{obs\_HA}_{\mathcal{D}}(n'_{\mathcal{J}}))$ ,
378       $\text{ls} = \text{obs\_LS}_{\mathcal{D}}(\text{obs\_LA}_{\mathcal{D}}(n'_{\mathcal{J}}))$ ,
378       $\text{ths} = \text{elems } \text{hl}$ ,
378       $\text{eells} = \text{xtr\_links}(\text{eell})$ ,  $\text{llls} = \text{xtr\_links}(\text{lll})$  in
379       $\text{hs} \cup \text{ths} = \text{obs\_HS}_{\mathcal{D}}(\text{obs\_HA}_{\mathcal{D}}(n_{\mathcal{D}}))$ 
380      ∧  $\text{ls} \cup \text{eells} \cup \text{llls} = \text{obs\_LS}_{\mathcal{D}}(\text{obs\_LA}_{\mathcal{D}}(n_{\mathcal{D}}))$ 
381    nℳ end end

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376 The abstraction function takes a concrete net, $n_{\mathcal{J}}:N_{\mathcal{J}}$, and yields an abstract net, $n_{\mathcal{D}}:N_{\mathcal{D}}$.

377 The abstraction function doubly decomposes its argument into constituent lists and sub-lists.

378 There is postulated an abstract net, $n_{\mathcal{D}}:N_{\mathcal{D}}$, such that

379 the hubs of the concrete net and toll-road equals those of the abstract net, and

380 the links of the concrete net and toll-road equals those of the abstract net.

381 And that abstract net, $n_{\mathcal{D}}:N_{\mathcal{D}}$, is postulated to be an abstraction of the concrete net.

8.4.2.3 Discussion

Domain descriptions, such as illustrated in [70, *Manifest Domains: Analysis & Description*] and in this chapter, model families of concrete, i.e., specifically occurring domains. Domain instantiation, as exemplified in this section (i.e., Sect. 8.4.2), “narrow down” these families. Domain instantiation, such as it is defined, cf. Definition 86 on Page 218, allows the requirements engineer to instantiate to a concrete instance of a very specific domain, that, for example, of the toll-road between *Bolzano Nord* and *Trento Sud* in Italy (i.e., $n=7$)¹⁶.

8.4.3 Domain Determination

Definition: 87 Determination: By **domain determination** we mean a refinement of the partial domain requirements prescription, resulting from the instantiation step, in which the refinements aim at rendering less non-determinate, more determinate the endurants: parts and materials, as well as the perdurants: functions, events and behaviours of the partial domain requirements prescription ■

Determinations usually render these concepts less general. That is, the value space of endurants that are made more determinate is “smaller”, contains fewer values, as compared to the endurants before determination has been “applied”.

¹⁶ Here we disregard the fact that this toll-road does not start/end in neither *Bolzano Nord* nor *Trento Sud*.

8.4.3.1 Domain Determination: Example

We show an example of ‘domain determination’. It is expressed solely in terms of axioms over the concrete toll-road net type.

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Example 120 We focus only on the toll-road net. We single out only two ‘determinations’: *All Toll-road Links are One-way Links*:

382 *The entry/exit and toll-road links*
 a are always all one way links,
 b as indicated by the arrows of Fig. 8.1 on Page 219,
 c such that each pair allows traffic in opposite directions.

382 $\text{opposite_traffics}: (L \times L)^* \times (L \times L)^* \rightarrow \text{Bool}$
 382 $\text{opposite_traffics}(\text{exl}, \text{ll}) \equiv$
 382 $\forall (lt, lf): (L \times L) \cdot (lt, lf) \in \text{elems } \text{exl} \wedge \text{ll} \Rightarrow$
 382a $\text{let } (lt\sigma, lf\sigma) = (\text{attr_L}\Sigma(lt), \text{attr_L}\Sigma(lf)) \text{ in}$
 382a'. $\text{attr_L}\Omega(lt) = \{lt\sigma\} \wedge \text{attr_L}\Omega(lf) = \{lf\sigma\}$
 382a''. $\wedge \text{card } lt\sigma = 1 = \text{card } lf\sigma$
 382 $\wedge \text{let } \{(hi, hi')\}, \{(hi'', hi''')\} = (lt\sigma, lf\sigma) \text{ in}$
 382c $hi = hi''' \wedge hi' = hi''$
 382 **end end**

Predicates 382a' and 382a'' express the same property.

All Toll-road Hubs are Free-flow

383 *The hub state spaces* are singleton sets of the toll-road hub states which always allow exactly these (and only these) crossings:
 a from entry links back to the paired exit links,
 b from entry links to emanating toll-road links,
 c from incident toll-road links to exit links, and
 d from incident toll-road link to emanating toll-road links.

383 $\text{free_flow_toll_road_hubs}: (L \times L)^* \times (L \times L)^* \rightarrow \text{Bool}$
 383 $\text{free_flow_toll_road_hubs}(\text{exl}, \text{ll}) \equiv$
 383 $\forall i: \text{Nat} \cdot i \in \text{inds } \text{hl} \Rightarrow$
 383 $\text{attr_H}\Sigma(\text{hl}(i)) =$
 383a $\text{h}\sigma_{\text{ex_ls}}(\text{exl}(i))$
 383b $\cup \text{h}\sigma_{\text{et_ls}}(\text{exl}(i), (i, \text{ll}))$
 383c $\cup \text{h}\sigma_{\text{tx_ls}}(\text{exl}(i), (i, \text{ll}))$
 383d $\cup \text{h}\sigma_{\text{tt_ls}}(i, \text{ll})$

383a: from entry links back to the paired exit links:

383a $\text{h}\sigma_{\text{ex_ls}}: (L \times L) \rightarrow L\Sigma$
 383a $\text{h}\sigma_{\text{ex_ls}}(e, x) \equiv \{(\text{uid_LI}(e), \text{uid_LI}(x))\}$

383b: from entry links to emanating toll-road links:

383b $\text{h}\sigma_{\text{et_ls}}: (L \times L) \times (\text{Nat} \times (\text{em}: L \times \text{in}: L)^*) \rightarrow L\Sigma$
 383b $\text{h}\sigma_{\text{et_ls}}((e, _), (i, \text{ll})) \equiv$
 383b **case** i **of**
 383b 2 $\rightarrow \{(\text{uid_LI}(e), \text{uid_LI}(\text{em}(\text{ll}(1))))\},$
 383b $\text{len } \text{ll} + 1 \rightarrow \{(\text{uid_LI}(e), \text{uid_LI}(\text{em}(\text{ll}(\text{len } \text{ll}))))\},$
 383b $_ \rightarrow \{(\text{uid_LI}(e), \text{uid_LI}(\text{em}(\text{ll}(i-1))))\},$
 383b $\{(\text{uid_LI}(e), \text{uid_LI}(\text{em}(\text{ll}(i))))\}$
 383b **end**

The *em* and *in* in the toll-road link list $(em:L \times in:L)^*$ designate selectors for *emanating*, respectively *incident* links.
 383c: from incident toll-road links to exit links:

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383c hσ_tx_ls: (L × L) × (Nat × (em:L × in:L)*) → LΣ
383c hσ_tx_ls((_,x),(i,ll)) ≡
383c   case i of
383c     2      → {(uid_Ll(in(ll(1))),uid_Ll(x))},
383c     len ll + 1 → {(uid_Ll(in(ll(len ll))),uid_Ll(x))},
383c     —      → {(uid_Ll(in(ll(i-1))),uid_Ll(x)),
383c               (uid_Ll(in(ll(i))),uid_Ll(x))}
383c   end

```

383d: from incident toll-road link to emanating toll-road links:

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383d hσ_tt_ls: Nat × (em:L × in:L)* → LΣ
383d hσ_tt_ls(i,ll) ≡
383d   case i of
383d     2      → {(uid_Ll(in(ll(1))),uid_Ll(em(ll(1))))},
383d     len ll + 1 → {(uid_Ll(in(ll(len ll))),uid_Ll(em(ll(len ll))))},
383d     —      → {(uid_Ll(in(ll(i-1))),uid_Ll(em(ll(i-1))))},
383d               (uid_Ll(in(ll(i))),uid_Ll(em(ll(i))))}
383d   end

```

The example above illustrated ‘domain determination’ with respect to endurants. Typically “endurant determination” is expressed in terms of axioms that limit state spaces — where “endurant instantiation” typically “limited” the mereology of endurants: how parts are related to one another. We shall not exemplify domain determination with respect to perdurants.

8.4.3.2 Discussion

The borderline between instantiation and determination is fuzzy. Whether, as an example, fixing the number of toll-road intersection hubs to a constant value, e.g., $n=7$, is instantiation or determination, is really a matter of choice !

8.4.4 Domain Extension

Definition: 88 Extension: By *domain extension* we understand the introduction of endurants (see Sect. 8.4.4.1) and perdurants (see Sect. 8.5.2) that were not feasible in the original domain, but for which, with computing and communication, and with new, emerging technologies, for example, sensors, actuators and satellites, there is the possibility of feasible implementations, hence the requirements, that what is introduced becomes part of the unfolding requirements prescription ■

8.4.4.1 Endurant Extensions

Definition: 89 Endurant Extension: By an *endurant extension* we understand the introduction of one or more endurants into the projected, instantiated and determined domain $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{R}}$ resulting in domain $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{R}}'$, such that these form a *conservative extension* of the theory, $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{R}}}$ denoted by the domain requirements $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{R}}$ (i.e., “before” the extension), that is: every theorem of $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{R}}}$ is still a theorem of $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{R}}}'$.

Usually domain extensions involve one or more of the already introduced sorts. In Example 121 on the following page we introduce (i.e., “extend”) vehicles with GPSS-like sensors, and introduce toll-gates with entry sensors, vehicle identification sensors, gate actuators and exit sensors. Finally road pricing calculators are introduced.

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Example 121 We present the extensions in several steps. Some of them will be developed in this section. Development of the remaining will be deferred to Sect. 8.5.1.3. The reason for this deferment is that those last steps are examples of *interface requirements*. The initial extension-development steps are: [a] vehicle extension, [b] sort and unique identifiers of road price calculators, [c] vehicle to road pricing calculator channel, [d] sorts and dynamic attributes of toll-gates, [e] road pricing calculator attributes, [f] “total” system state, and [g] the overall system behaviour. This decomposition establishes system interfaces in “small, easy steps”.

8.4.4.1.1 [a] Vehicle Extension:

384 There is a domain, $\delta_{\mathcal{E}}:\Delta_{\mathcal{E}}$, which contains
 385 a fleet, $f_{\mathcal{E}}:F_{\mathcal{E}}$, that is,
 386 a set, $vs_{\mathcal{E}}:VS_{\mathcal{E}}$, of
 387 extended vehicles, $v_{\mathcal{E}}:V_{\mathcal{E}}$ — their extension
 amounting to
 388 a dynamic reactive attribute, whose value, $ti-$
 $gpos:TiGPos$, at any time, reflects that vehicle’s
time-stamped global position.¹⁷

type

384 $\Delta_{\mathcal{E}}$
 385 $F_{\mathcal{E}}$
 386 $VS_{\mathcal{E}} = V_{\mathcal{E}}\text{-set}$
 388 $TiGPos = \mathbb{T} \times GPos$
 389 $GPos, LPos$

value

384 $\delta_{\mathcal{E}}:\Delta_{\mathcal{E}}$
 385 $obs_F_{\mathcal{E}}:\Delta_{\mathcal{E}} \rightarrow F_{\mathcal{E}}$,

389 The vehicle’s GNSS receiver calculates, *loc_pos*,
 its local position, $lpos:LPos$, based on these
 signals.

390 Vehicles access these *external attributes* via
 the *external attribute* channel, $attr_TiGPos_ch$.

385 $f = obs_F_{\mathcal{E}}(\delta_{\mathcal{E}})$
 386 $obs_VS_{\mathcal{E}}: F_{\mathcal{E}} \rightarrow VS_{\mathcal{E}}$,
 386 $vs = obs_VS_{\mathcal{E}}(f)$
 386 $vis = xtr_vis(vs)$
 388 $attr_TiGPos_ch[vi]?$
 389 $loc_pos: GPos \rightarrow LPos$
channel
 390 $\{attr_TiGPos_ch[vi]|vi:VI \bullet vi \in vis\}:TiGPos$

We define two auxiliary functions,

391 xtr_vs , which given a domain, or a fleet, ex-
 tracts its set of vehicles, and
 392 xtr_vis which given a set of vehicles gener-
 ates their unique identifiers.

value

391 $xtr_vs: (\Delta_{\mathcal{E}}|F_{\mathcal{E}}|VS_{\mathcal{E}}) \rightarrow V_{\mathcal{E}}\text{-set}$
 391 $xtr_vs(arg) \equiv$

is

391 $is_ \Delta_{\mathcal{E}}(arg) \rightarrow$
 391 $obs_VS_{\mathcal{E}}(obs_F_{\mathcal{E}}(arg))$
 391 $is_ F_{\mathcal{E}}(arg) \rightarrow$
 391 $obs_VS_{\mathcal{E}}(arg),$
 391 $is_ VS_{\mathcal{E}}(arg) \rightarrow arg$
 392 $xtr_vis: (\Delta_{\mathcal{E}}|F_{\mathcal{E}}|VS_{\mathcal{E}}) \rightarrow VI\text{-set}$
 392 $xtr_vis(arg) \equiv \{uid_VI(v)|v \in xtr_vs(arg)\}$

8.4.4.1.2 [b] Road Pricing Calculator: Basic Sort and Unique Identifier:

393 The domain $\delta_{\mathcal{C}}:\Delta_{\mathcal{C}}$, also contains a pric-
 ing calculator, $c:C_{\mathcal{C}}$, with unique identifier
 $ci:CI$.

type

393 C, CI

value

393 $obs_C: \Delta_{\mathcal{C}} \rightarrow C$
 393 $uid_CI: C \rightarrow CI$
 393 $c = obs_C(\delta_{\mathcal{C}})$
 393 $ci = uid_CI(c)$

8.4.4.1.3 [c] Vehicle to Road Pricing Calculator Channel:

394 Vehicles can, on their own volition, offer the timed local position, $viti_lpos:VITiLPos$
 395 to the pricing calculator, $c:C_{\mathcal{C}}$ along a vehicles-to-calculator channel, v_c_ch .

type

394 $VITiLPos = VI \times (\mathbb{T} \times LPos)$

channel

395 $\{v_c_ch[vi,ci] \mid vi:VI,ci:CI \wedge vi \in vis \wedge ci = uid_C(c)\}:VITiLPos$

8.4.4.1.4 [d] Toll-gate Sorts and Dynamic Types:

We extend the domain with toll-gates for vehicles entering and exiting the toll-road entry and exit links. Figure 8.2 illustrates the idea of gates.

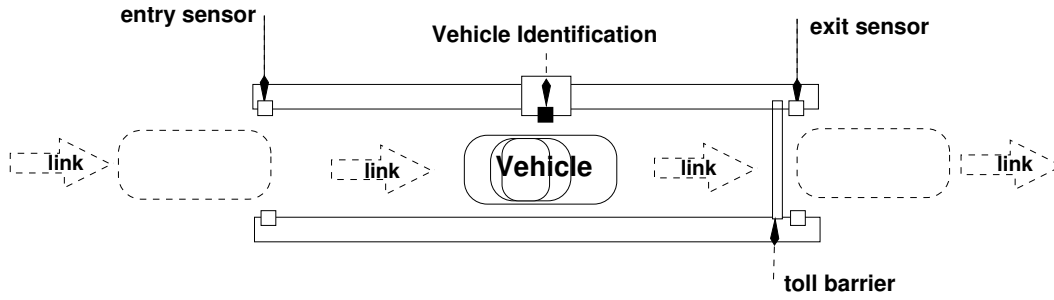


Fig. 8.2. Toll Gate

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Example 121 (Continued) Figure 8.2 is intended to illustrate a vehicle entering (or exiting) a toll-road arrival link. The toll-gate is equipped with three sensors: an arrival sensor, a vehicle identification sensor and an departure sensor. The arrival sensor serves to prepare the vehicle identification sensor. The departure sensor serves to prepare the gate for closing when a vehicle has passed. The vehicle identify sensor identifies the vehicle and “delivers” a pair: the current time and the vehicle identifier. Once the vehicle identification sensor has identified a vehicle the gate opens and a message is sent to the road pricing calculator as to the passing vehicle’s identity and the identity of the link associated with the toll-gate (see Items 412- 413 on the next page).

396 The domain contains the extended net, $n:N_{\mathcal{E}}$,
 397 with the net extension amounting to the toll-road net, $TRN_{\mathcal{E}}$, that is, the instantiated toll-road net,
 $trn:TRN_{\mathcal{E}}$, is extended, into $trn:TRN_{\mathcal{E}}$, with *entry*, $eg:EG$, and *exit*, $xg:XG$, toll-gates.

From entry- and exit-gates we can observe

398 their unique identifier and
 399 their mereology: pairs of entry-, respectively exit link and calculator unique identifiers; further
 400 a pair of gate entry and exit sensors modeled as *external attribute* channels, $(ges:ES, gls:XS)$, and
 401 a time-stamped vehicle identity sensor modeled as *external attribute* channels.

type

396 $N_{\mathcal{E}}$
 397 $TRN_{\mathcal{E}} = (EG \times XG)^* \times TRN_{\mathcal{J}}$
 398 GI

value

396 $obs_N_{\mathcal{E}}: \Delta_{\mathcal{E}} \rightarrow N_{\mathcal{E}}$
 397 $obs_TRN_{\mathcal{E}}: N_{\mathcal{E}} \rightarrow TRN_{\mathcal{E}}$
 398 $uid_G: (EG \mid XG) \rightarrow GI$
 399 $mereo_G: (EG \mid XG) \rightarrow (LI \times CI)$
 397 $trn:TRN_{\mathcal{E}} = obs_TRN_{\mathcal{E}}(\delta_{\mathcal{E}})$

channel

400 $\{attr_entry_ch[gi] \mid gi:GI \times tr_eGlds(trn)\} \text{ ``enter''}$
 400 $\{attr_exit_ch[gi] \mid gi:GI \times tr_xGlds(trn)\} \text{ ``exit''}$

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401 {attr_identity_ch[gi]|gi:GI•xtr_Glds(trn)} TIVI
type
401 TIVI = T × VI

```

We define some **auxiliary functions** over toll-road nets, $\text{trn}:\text{TRN}_{\mathcal{E}}$:

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402 xtr_eGℓ extracts the ℓist of entry gates,
403 xtr_xGℓ extracts the ℓist of exit gates,
404 xtr_eGlds extracts the set of entry gate identifiers,
405 xtr_xGlds extracts the set of exit gate identifiers,
406 xtr_Gs extracts the set of all gates, and
407 xtr_Glds extracts the set of all gate identifiers.

```

value

```

402 xtr_eGℓ: TRNℓ → EG*
402 xtr_eGℓ(pgl,_) ≡ {eg|(eg,xg):(EG,XG)•(eg,xg)∈ elems pgl}
403 xtr_xGℓ: TRNℓ → XG*
403 xtr_xGℓ(pgl,_) ≡ {xg|(eg,xg):(EG,XG)•(eg,xg)∈ elems pgl}
404 xtr_eGlds: TRNℓ → GI-set
404 xtr_eGlds(pgl,_) ≡ {uid_Gl(g)|g:EG•g ∈ xtr_eGs(pgl,_) }
405 xtr_xGlds: TRNℓ → GI-set
405 xtr_xGlds(pgl,_) ≡ {uid_Gl(g)|g:EG•g ∈ xtr_xGs(pgl,_) }
406 xtr_Gs: TRNℓ → G-set
406 xtr_Gs(pgl,_) ≡ xtr_eGs(pgl,_) ∪ xtr_xGs(pgl,_)
407 xtr_Glds: TRNℓ → GI-set
407 xtr_Glds(pgl,_) ≡ xtr_eGlds(pgl,_) ∪ xtr_xGlds(pgl,_)

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408 A **well-formedness condition** expresses elements being the calculator identifier and the vehicle identifiers.

a that there are as many entry end exit gate pairs as there are toll-plazas, The well-formedness relies on awareness of

b that all gates are uniquely identified, and 409 the unique identifier, $\text{ci}:\text{CI}$, of the road pricing calculator, $\text{c}:\text{C}$, and

c that each entry [exit] gate is paired with an entry [exit] link and has that link's unique identifier as one element of its mereology, the other 410 the unique identifiers, $\text{vis}:\text{VI-set}$, of the fleet vehicles.

axiom

```

408c ∧ ∀ i:Nat•i ∈ inds exgl•
408c let ((eg,xg),(el,xl)) = (exgl(i),exl(i)) in
408c mereo_G(eg) = (uid_U(el),ci,vis)
408a len exgl = len exl = len hl = len ll + 1 408c ∧ mereo_G(xg) = (uid_U(xl),ci,vis)
408b ∧ card xtr_Glds(exgl) = 2 * len exgl 408 end end

```

8.4.4.1.5 [e] Toll-gate to Calculator Channels:

411 We distinguish between *entry* and *exit* gates. 413 to the road pricing calculator via a (gate to calculator) channel.

412 Toll road entry and exit gates offers the road pricing calculator a pair: whether it is an entry or an exit gates, and pair of the passing vehicle's identity and the time-stamped identity of the link associated with the toll-gate

type

```

411 EE = `entry" | `exit"
412 EEViTiLI = EE × (VI × (T × SonL))

```

channel

```

413 {g_c_ch[gi,ci]|gi:GI•gi ∈ gis}:EETiViLI

```

8.4.4.1.6 [f] Road Pricing Calculator Attributes:

- 414 The road pricing attributes include a programmable traffic map, $\text{trm}:\text{TRM}$, which, for each vehicle inside the toll-road net, records a chronologically ordered list of each vehicle's timed position, (τ, lpos) , and
- 415 a static (total) road location function, $\text{vplf}:\text{VPLF}$. The vehicle position location function, $\text{vplf}:\text{VPLF}$, which, given a local position, $\text{lpos}:\text{LPos}$, yields either the simple vehicle position, $\text{svpos}:\text{SVPos}$,
- 416 designated by the GNSS-provided position, or yields the response that the provided position is off the toll-road net. The $\text{vplf}:\text{VPLF}$ function is constructed, construct_vplf ,
- 416 from awareness, of a geodetic road map, GRM , of the topology of the extended net, $\text{n}_\mathcal{E}:\text{N}_\mathcal{E}$, including the mereology and the geodetic attributes of links and hubs.

type414 $\text{TRM} = \text{VI} \rightarrow (\text{T} \times \text{SVPos})^*$ 415 $\text{VPLF} = \text{GRM} \rightarrow \text{LPos} \rightarrow (\text{SVPos} \mid \text{"off_N"})$ 416 GRM **value**414 $\text{attr_TRM}: \text{C}_\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \text{TRM}$ 415 $\text{attr_VPLF}: \text{C}_\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \text{VPLF}$

The geodetic road map maps geodetic locations into hub and link identifiers.

- 326 Geodetic link locations represent the set of point locations of a link.
- 417 A geodetic road map maps geodetic link locations into link identifiers and geodetic hub locations into hub identifiers.
- 322a Geodetic hub locations represent the set of point locations of a hub.
- 418 We sketch the construction, geo_GRM , of geodetic road maps.

type417 $\text{GRM} = (\text{GeoL} \rightarrow \text{LI}) \cup (\text{GeoH} \rightarrow \text{HI})$ **value**418 $\text{geo_GRM}: \text{N} \rightarrow \text{GRM}$ 418 $\text{geo_GRM}(\text{n}) \equiv$ 418 **let** $\text{ls} = \text{xtr_links}(\text{n})$, $\text{hs} = \text{xtr_hubs}(\text{n})$ **in**418 $[\text{attr_GeoL}(\text{l}) \rightarrow \text{uid_LI}(\text{l}) \mid \text{l}:\text{L} \in \text{ls}]$ 418 \cup 418 $[\text{attr_GeoH}(\text{h}) \rightarrow \text{uid_HI}(\text{h}) \mid \text{h}:\text{H} \in \text{hs}]$ **end**

- 419 The obtain_SVPos function obtains a simple vehicle position, svpos , from a geodetic road map, $\text{grm}:\text{GRM}$, and a local position, lpos :
- 419 **obtain_SVPos**(grm)(lpos) **as** svpos
- 419 **post:** **case** svpos **of**
- 419 $\text{SatH}(\text{hi}) \rightarrow \text{within}(\text{lpos}, \text{grm}(\text{hi}))$,
- 419 $\text{SonL}(\text{li}) \rightarrow \text{within}(\text{lpos}, \text{grm}(\text{li}))$,
- 419 $\text{"off_N"} \rightarrow \text{true}$ **end**

value419 $\text{obtain_SVPos}: \text{GRM} \rightarrow \text{LPos} \rightarrow \text{SVPos}$

where *within* is a predicate which holds if its first argument, a local position calculated from a GNSS-generated global position, falls within the point set representation of the geodetic locations of a link or a hub. The design of the *obtain_SVPos* represents an interesting challenge.

8.4.4.1.7 [g] "Total" System State:

Global values:

- 420 There is a given domain, $\delta_\mathcal{E}:\Delta_\mathcal{E}$;
- 421 there is the net, $\text{n}_\mathcal{E}:\text{N}_\mathcal{E}$, of that domain;
- 422 there is toll-road net, $\text{trn}_\mathcal{E}:\text{TRN}_\mathcal{E}$, of that net;
- 423 there is a set, $\text{egs}_\mathcal{E}:\text{EG}_\mathcal{E}\text{-set}$, of entry gates;
- 424 there is a set, $\text{xgs}_\mathcal{E}:\text{XG}_\mathcal{E}\text{-set}$, of exit gates;
- 425 there is a set, $\text{gis}_\mathcal{E}:\text{GI}_\mathcal{E}\text{-set}$, of gate identifiers;
- 426 there is a set, $\text{vs}_\mathcal{E}:\text{V}_\mathcal{E}\text{-set}$, of vehicles;
- 427 there is a set, $\text{vis}_\mathcal{E}:\text{VI}_\mathcal{E}\text{-set}$, of vehicle identifiers;
- 428 there is the road-pricing calculator, $\text{c}_\mathcal{E}:\text{C}_\mathcal{E}$ and
- 429 there is its unique identifier, $\text{ci}_\mathcal{E}:\text{CI}$.
- value**
- 420 $\delta_\mathcal{E}:\Delta_\mathcal{E}$
- 421 $\text{n}_\mathcal{E}:\text{N}_\mathcal{E} = \text{obs_N}_\mathcal{E}(\delta_\mathcal{E})$
- 422 $\text{trn}_\mathcal{E}:\text{TRN}_\mathcal{E} = \text{obs_TRN}_\mathcal{E}(\text{n}_\mathcal{E})$
- 423 $\text{egs}_\mathcal{E}:\text{EG}_\mathcal{E}\text{-set} = \text{xtr_egs}(\text{trn}_\mathcal{E})$
- 424 $\text{xgs}_\mathcal{E}:\text{XG}_\mathcal{E}\text{-set} = \text{xtr_xgs}(\text{trn}_\mathcal{E})$
- 425 $\text{gis}_\mathcal{E}:\text{XG}_\mathcal{E}\text{-set} = \text{xtr_gis}(\text{trn}_\mathcal{E})$
- 426 $\text{vs}_\mathcal{E}:\text{V}_\mathcal{E}\text{-set} = \text{obs_VS}(\text{obs_F}_\mathcal{E}(\delta_\mathcal{E}))$
- 427 $\text{vis}_\mathcal{E}:\text{VI}_\mathcal{E}\text{-set} = \{\text{uid_VI}(\text{v}_\mathcal{E}) \mid \text{v}_\mathcal{E}:\text{V}_\mathcal{E} \in \text{vs}_\mathcal{E}\}$
- 428 $\text{c}_\mathcal{E}:\text{C}_\mathcal{E} = \text{obs_C}_\mathcal{E}(\delta_\mathcal{E})$
- 429 $\text{ci}_\mathcal{E}:\text{CI} = \text{uid_CI}(\text{c}_\mathcal{E})$

In the following we shall omit the cumbersome \mathcal{E} subscripts.

8.4.4.1.8 [h] “Total” System Behaviour:

The signature and definition of the system behaviour is sketched as are the signatures of the vehicle, toll-gate and road pricing calculator. We shall model the behaviour of the road pricing system as follows: we shall not model behaviours nets, hubs and links; thus we shall model only the behaviour of vehicles, *veh*, the behaviour of toll-gates, *gate*, and the behaviour of the road-pricing calculator, *calc*. The behaviours of vehicles and toll-gates are presented here. But the behaviour of the road-pricing calculator is “deferred” till Sect. 8.5.1.3 since it reflects an interface requirements.

- 430 The road pricing system behaviour, *sys*, is expressed as
- a the parallel, \parallel , (distributed) composition of the behaviours of all vehicles,
 - b with the parallel composition of the parallel (likewise distributed) composition of the behaviours of all entry gates,
 - c with the parallel composition of the parallel (likewise distributed) composition of the behaviours of all exit gates,
 - d with the parallel composition of the behaviour of the road-pricing calculator,

value

430 *sys*: Unit \rightarrow Unit

430 *sys*() \equiv

430a $\parallel \{ \text{veh}_{\text{uid},V(v)}(\text{mereo}_V(v)) \mid v:V \bullet v \in \text{vs} \}$

430b $\parallel \parallel \{ \text{gate}_{\text{uid},EG(eg)}(\text{mereo}_G(eg), \text{"entry"}) \mid eg:EG \bullet eg \in \text{egs} \}$

430c $\parallel \parallel \{ \text{gate}_{\text{uid},XG(xg)}(\text{mereo}_G(xg), \text{"exit"}) \mid xg:XG \bullet xg \in \text{xgs} \}$

430d $\parallel \text{calc}_{\text{uid},C(c)}(\text{vis}, \text{gis})(\text{rlf})(\text{trm})$

431 *veh*_{*vi*}: (ci:CI \times gis:GI-set) \rightarrow in *attr_TiGPos*[*vi*] out *v_c.ch*[*vi*,ci] Unit

437 *gate*_{*gi*}: (ci:CI \times VI-set \times LI) \times ee:EE \rightarrow

437 in *attr_entry_ch*[*gi*,ci], *attr_id_ch*[*gi*,ci], *attr_exit_ch*[*gi*,ci]

437 out *attr_barrier_ch*[*gi*], *g_c.ch*[*gi*,ci] Unit

471 *calc*_{*ci*}: (vis:VI-set \times gis:GI-set) \times VPLF \rightarrow TRM \rightarrow

471 in {*v_c.ch*[*vi*,ci] \mid *vi*:VI \bullet *vi* \in vis}, {*g_c.ch*[*gi*,ci] \mid *gi*:GI \bullet *gi* \in gis} Unit

We consider “entry” or “exit” to be a static attribute of toll-gates. The behaviour signatures were determined as per the techniques presented in Chapters 3–6.

Vehicle Behaviour: We refer to the vehicle behaviour, in the domain, described in Sect. 8.2’s The Road Traffic System Behaviour Items 349 and Items 350, Page 208 and, projected, Page 217.

431 Instead of moving around by explicitly expressed internal non-determinism¹⁸ vehicles move around by unstated internal non-determinism and instead receive their current position from the global positioning subsystem.

432 At each moment the vehicle receives its time-stamped global position, (τ ,gpos):TiGPos,

433 from which it calculates the local position, lpos:VPos

434 which it then communicates, with its vehicle identification, (*vi*,(τ ,lpos)), to the road pricing subsystem —

435 whereupon it resumes its vehicle behaviour.

value

431 *veh*_{*vi*}: (ci:CI \times gis:GI-set) \rightarrow

431 in *attr_TiGPos_ch*[*vi*] out *v_c.ch*[*vi*,ci] Unit

431 *veh*_{*vi*}(ci,gis) \equiv

432 let (τ ,gpos) = *attr_TiGPos_ch*[*vi*] ? in

433 let lpos = *loc_pos*(gpos) in

434 *v_c.ch*[*vi*,ci] ! (*vi*,(τ ,lpos)) ;

435 *veh*_{*vi*}(ci,gis) end end

431 pre *vi* \in vis

The *vehicle* signature has *attr_TiGPos_ch*[*vi*] model an external vehicle attribute and *v_c.ch*[*vi*,ci] the *embedded attribute sharing* [70, Sect. 4.1.1 and 4.5.2] between vehicles (their position) and the price calculator’s road map. The above behaviour represents an assumption about the behaviour of vehicles. If

we were to design software for the monitoring and control of vehicles then the above vehicle behaviour would have to be refined in order to serve as a proper interface requirements. The refinement would include handling concerns about the drivers' behaviour when entering, passing and exiting toll-gates, about the proper function of the GNSS equipment, and about the safe communication with the road price calculator. The above concerns would already have been addressed in a model of *domain facets* such as *human behaviour*, *technology support*, proper tele-communications *scripts*, et cetera. We refer to Chapter 7.

Gate Behaviour: The entry and the exit gates have “vehicle enter”, “vehicle exit” and “timed vehicle identification” sensors. The following assumption can now be made: during the time interval between a gate's vehicle “entry” sensor having first sensed a vehicle entering that gate and that gate's “exit” sensor having last sensed that vehicle leaving that gate that gate's vehicle time and “identify” sensor registers the time when the vehicle is entering the gate and that vehicle's unique identification. We sketch the toll-gate behaviour:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <p>436 We parameterise the toll-gate behaviour as either an entry or an exit gate.</p> <p>437 Toll-gates operate autonomously and cyclically.</p> <p>438 The <code>attr_enter_ch</code> event “triggers” the behaviour specified in formula line Item 439–441 starting with a “Raise” barrier action.</p> <p>439 The time-of-passing and the identity of the passing vehicle is sensed by <code>attr_passing_ch</code> channel events.</p> | <p>440 Then the road pricing calculator is informed of time-of-passing and of the vehicle identity vi and the link li associated with the gate – and with a “Lower” barrier action.</p> <p>441 And finally, after that vehicle has left the entry or exit gate the barrier is again “Lower”ed and</p> <p>442 that toll-gate's behaviour is resumed.</p> |
|--|---|

type

436 $EE = \text{“enter”} \mid \text{“exit”}$

value

```

437  $gate_{gi}: (ci:CI \times VI\text{-set} \times LI) \times ee:EE \rightarrow$ 
437   in attr_enter_ch[gi], attr_passing_ch[gi], attr_leave_ch[gi]
437   out attr_barrier_ch[gi], g_c_ch[gi,ci] Unit
437  $gate_{gi}((ci, vis, li), ee) \equiv$ 
438   attr_enter_ch[gi] ? ; attr_barrier_ch[gi] ! “Lower”
439   let  $(\tau, vi) = attr\_passing\_ch[gi] ?$  in assert  $vi \in vis$ 
440    $(attr\_barrier\_ch[gi] ! \text{“Raise”}$ 
440      $\parallel g\_c\_ch[gi,ci] ! (ee, (vi, (\tau, SonL(li)))) ;$ 
441   attr_leave_ch[gi] ? ; attr_barrier_ch[gi] ! “Lower”
442    $gate_{gi}((ci, vis, li), ee)$ 
437   end
437   pre  $li \in lis$ 
```

The gate signature's `attr_enter_ch[gi]`, `attr_passing_ch[gi]`, `attr_barrier_ch[gi]` and `attr_leave_ch[gi]` model respective *external attributes* [70, Sect. 4.1.1 and 4.5.2] (the `attr_barrier_ch[gi]` models reactive (i.e., output) attribute), while `g_c_ch[gi,ci]` models the *embedded attribute sharing* between gates (their identification of vehicle positions) and the calculator road map. The above behaviour represents an assumption about the behaviour of toll-gates. If we were to design software for the monitoring and control of toll-gates then the above gate behaviour would have to be refined in order to serve as a proper interface requirements. The refinement would include handling concerns about the drivers' behaviour when entering, passing and exiting toll-gates, about the proper function of the entry, passing and exit sensors, about the proper function of the gate barrier (opening and closing), and about the safe communication with the road price calculator. The above concerns would already have been addressed in a model of *domain facets* such as *human behaviour*, *technology support*, proper tele-communications *scripts*, et cetera ■

We shall define the *calculator* behaviour in Sect. 8.5.1.3 on Page 235. The reason for this deferral is that it exemplifies *interface requirements*.

8.4.4.2 Discussion

The requirements assumptions expressed in the specifications of the *vehicle* and *gate* behaviours assume that these behave in an orderly fashion. But they seldom do! The *attr_TiGPos_ch* sensor may fail. And so may the *attr_enter_ch*, *attr_passing_ch*, and *attr_leave_ch* sensors and the *attr_barrier_ch* actuator. These attributes represent *support technology* facets. They can fail. To secure fault tolerance one must prescribe very carefully what counter-measures are to be taken and/or the safety assumptions. We refer to [380, 256, 301]. They cover three alternative approaches to the handling of fault tolerance. Either of the approaches can be made to fit with our approach. First one can pursue our approach to where we stand now. Then we join the approaches of either of [380, 256, 301]. [256] likewise decompose the requirements prescription as is suggested here.

8.4.5 Requirements Fitting

Often a domain being described “fits” onto, is “adjacent” to, “interacts” in some areas with, another domain: *transportation* with *logistics*, *health-care* with *insurance*, *banking* with *securities trading* and/or *insurance*, and so on. The issue of requirements fitting arises when two or more software development projects are based on what appears to be the same domain. The problem then is to harmonise the two or more software development projects by harmonising, if not too late, their requirements developments.

We thus assume that there are n domain requirements developments, $d_{r_1}, d_{r_2}, \dots, d_{r_n}$, being considered, and that these pertain to the same domain — and can hence be assumed covered by a same domain description.

Definition: 90 Requirements Fitting: By *requirements fitting* we mean a *harmonisation* of $n > 1$ domain requirements that have overlapping (shared) not always consistent parts and which results in n *partial domain requirements*, $p_{d_{r_1}}, p_{d_{r_2}}, \dots, p_{d_{r_n}}$, and m *shared domain requirements*, $s_{d_{r_1}}, s_{d_{r_2}}, \dots, s_{d_{r_m}}$, that “fit into” two or more of the partial domain requirements ■ The above definition pertains to the result of ‘fitting’. The next definition pertains to the act, or process, of ‘fitting’.

Definition: 91 Requirements Harmonisation: By *requirements harmonisation* we mean a number of alternative and/or co-ordinated prescription actions, one set for each of the domain requirements actions: *Projection*, *Instantiation*, *Determination* and *Extension*. They are – we assume n separate software product requirements: *Projection*: If the n product requirements do not have the same projections, then identify a common projection which they all share, and refer to it as the *common projection*. Then develop, for each of the n product requirements, if required, a *specific projection* of the common one. Let there be m such specific projections, $m \leq n$. *Instantiation*: First instantiate the common projection, if any instantiation is needed. Then for each of the m specific projections instantiate these, if required. *Determination*: Likewise, if required, “perform” “determination” of the possibly instantiated common projection, and, similarly, if required, “perform” “determination” of the up to m possibly instantiated projections. *Extension*: Finally “perform extension” likewise: First, if required, of the common projection (etc.), then, if required, on the up to m specific projections (etc.). These harmonization developments may possibly interact and may need to be iterated ■

By a *partial domain requirements* we mean a domain requirements which is short of (that is, is missing) some prescription parts: text and formula ■ By a *shared domain requirements* we mean a domain requirements ■ By *requirements fitting* m shared domain requirements texts, $sdrs$, into n partial domain requirements we mean that there is for each partial domain requirements, pdr_i , an identified, non-empty subset of $sdrs$ (could be all of $sdrs$), $ssdrs_i$, such that textually conjoining $ssdrs_i$ to pdr_i , i.e., $ssdrs_i \oplus pdr_i$ can be claimed to yield the “original” d_{r_i} , that is, $\mathcal{M}(ssdrs_i \oplus pdr_i) \subseteq \mathcal{M}(d_{r_i})$, where \mathcal{M} is a suitable meaning function over prescriptions ■

8.4.6 Discussion

Facet-oriented Fittings: An altogether different way of looking at domain requirements may be achieved when also considering domain facets — not covered in neither the example of Sect. 8.2 nor in this section (i.e., Sect. 8.4) nor in the following two sections. We refer to [52].

Requirements: Domain Requirements, Fitting

Example 122 Example 121 hints at three possible sets of interface requirements: (i) for a road pricing [sub-]system, as will be illustrated in Sect. 8.5.1.3; (ii) for a vehicle monitoring and control [sub-]system, and (iii) for a toll-gate monitoring and control [sub-]system. The vehicle monitoring and control [sub-]system would focus on implementing the vehicle behaviour, see Items 431-435 on Page 228. The toll-gate monitoring and control [sub-]system would focus on implementing the calculator behaviour, see Items 437-442 on Page 229. The fitting amounts to (a) making precise the narrative and formal texts specific to each of the three (i–iii) separate sub-system requirements are kept separate; (b) ensuring that meaning-wise shared texts that have different names for meaning-wise identical entities have these names renamed appropriately; (c) that these texts are subject to commensurate and ameliorated further requirements development; et cetera ■

8.5 Interface and Derived Requirements

We remind the reader that **interface requirements** can be expressed only using terms from both the domain and the machine ■ Users are not part of the machine. So no reference can be made to users, such as “the system must be user friendly”, and the like!¹⁹ By **interface requirements** we [also] mean *requirements prescriptions which refines and extends the domain requirements by considering those requirements of the domain requirements whose endurants (parts, materials) and perdurants (actions, events and behaviours) are “shared” between the domain and the machine (being requirements prescribed)* ■ The two *interface requirements* definitions above go hand-in-hand, i.e., complement one-another.

By **derived requirements** we mean *requirements prescriptions which are expressed in terms of the machine concepts and facilities introduced by the emerging requirements* ■

8.5.1 Interface Requirements

8.5.1.1 Shared Phenomena

By **sharing** we mean (a) that *some or all properties* of an **endurant** is represented both in the domain and “inside” the machine, and that their machine representation must at suitable times reflect their state in the domain; and/or (b) that an **action** requires a sequence of several “on-line” interactions between the machine (being requirements prescribed) and the domain, usually a person or another machine; and/or (c) that an **event** arises either in the domain, that is, in the environment of the machine, or in the machine, and need be communicated to the machine, respectively to the environment; and/or (d) that a **behaviour** is manifested both by actions and events of the domain and by actions and events of the machine ■ So a systematic reading of the domain requirements shall result in an identification of all shared endurants, parts and materials; and perdurants actions, events and behaviours. Each such shared phenomenon shall then be individually dealt with: **endurant sharing** shall lead to interface requirements for data initialisation and refreshment as well as for access to endurant attributes; **action sharing** shall lead to interface requirements for interactive dialogues between the machine and its environment; **event sharing** shall lead to interface requirements for how such event are communicated between the environment of the machine and the machine; and **behaviour sharing** shall lead to interface requirements for action and event dialogues between the machine and its environment.

¹⁹ So how do we cope with the statement: “the system must be user friendly” ? We refer to Sect. 8.5.3.2 on Page 239 for a discussion of this issue.

8.5.1.1.1 Environment–Machine Interface:

Domain requirements extension, Sect. 8.4.4, usually introduce new endurants into (i.e., ‘extend’ the) domain. Some of these endurants may become elements of the domain requirements. Others are to be projected “away”. Those that are let into the domain requirements either have their endurants represented, somehow, also in the machine, or have (some of) their properties, usually some attributes, accessed by the machine. Similarly for perdurants. Usually the machine representation of shared perdurants access (some of) their properties, usually some attributes. The interface requirements must spell out which domain extensions are shared. Thus domain extensions may necessitate a review of domain projection, instantiations and determination. In general, there may be several of the projection–eliminated parts (etc.) whose dynamic attributes need be accessed in the usual way, i.e., by means of attr_XYZ_ch channel communications (where XYZ is a projection–eliminated part attribute).




Requirements: Interface Requirements, Projected Extensions

Example 123 We refer to Fig. 8.2 on Page 225. We do not represent the GNSS system in the machine: only its “effect”: the ability to record global positions by accessing the GNSS attribute (channel):

channel

```
390 {attr.TiGPos_ch[vi]|vi:VI•vi ∈ xtr.VIs(vs)}: TiGPos
```

And we do not really represent the gate nor its sensors and actuator in the machine. But we do give an idealised description of the gate behaviour, see Items 437–442. Instead we represent their dynamic gate attributes:

- (400) the vehicle entry sensors (leftmost )s),
- (400) the vehicle identity sensor (center ) and
- (401) the vehicle exit sensors (rightmost )s)

by channels — we refer to Example 121 (Sect. 8.5.1.3, Page 225):

channel

```
400 {attr_entry_ch[gi]|gi:GI•xtr_eGlds(trn)} “enter”
400 {attr_exit_ch[gi]|gi:GI•xtr_xGlds(trn)} “exit”
401 {attr_identity_ch[gi]|gi:GI•xtr_Glds(trn)} TIVI ■
```

8.5.1.2 Shared Endurants

Requirements: Interface Requirements, Shared Endurants

Example 124 The main shared endurants are the vehicles, the net (hubs, links, toll-gates) and the price calculator. As domain endurants hubs and links undergo changes, all the time, with respect to the values of several attributes: *length*, *geodetic information*, *names*, *wear and tear* (where-ever applicable), *last/next scheduled maintenance* (where-ever applicable), *state* and *state space*, and many others. Similarly for vehicles: their position, velocity and acceleration, and many other attributes. We then come up with something like hubs and links are to be represented as tuples of relations; each net will be represented by a pair of relations a hubs relation and a links relation; each hub and each link may or will be represented by several tuples; et cetera. In this database modeling effort it must be secured that “standard” operations on nets, hubs and links can be supported by the chosen relational database system ■

8.5.1.2.1 Data Initialisation:

In general, one must prescribe data initialisation, that is provision for an interactive user interface dialogue with a set of proper display screens, one for establishing net, hub or link attributes names and their types,

and, for example, two for the input of hub and link attribute values. Interaction prompts may be prescribed: next input, on-line vetting and display of evolving net, etc. These and many other aspects may therefore need prescriptions.

Requirements: Interface Requirements, Shared Endurant Initialisation

Example 125 The domain is that of the road net, $n:N$. By ‘shared road net initialisation’ we mean the “ab initio” establishment, “from scratch”, of a data base recording the properties of all links, $l:L$, and hubs, $h:H$, their unique identifications, $uid_L(l)$ and $uid_H(h)$, their mereologies, $mereo_L(l)$ and $mereo_H(h)$, the initial values of all their static and programmable attributes and the access values, that is, channel designations for all other attribute categories.

- 443 There are r_l and r_h “recorders” recording link, respectively hub properties – with each recorder having a unique identity.
 444 Each recorder is charged with the recording of a set of links or a set of hubs according to some partitioning of all such.
 445 The recorders inform a central data base, net_db , of their recordings $(ri, hol, (u_j, m_j, attr_j))$ where
 446 ri is the identity of the recorder,
 447 hol is either a hub or a link literal,
 448 $u_j = uid_L(l)$ or $uid_H(h)$ for some link or hub,
 449 $m_j = mereo_L(l)$ or $mereo_H(h)$ for that link or hub and
 450 $attr_j$ are *attributes* for that link or hub — where *attributes* is a function which “records” all respective static and dynamic attributes (left undefined).

type

443 RI

value

443 $rl, rh: NAT$ **axiom** $rl > 0 \wedge rh > 0$

type

445 $M = RI \times \text{“link”} \times LNK \mid RI \times \text{“hub”} \times HUB$

445 $LNK = LI \times HI\text{-set} \times LATTRS$

445 $HUB = HI \times LI\text{-set} \times HATTRS$

value

444 $\text{partitioning: } L\text{-set} \rightarrow Nat \rightarrow (L\text{-set})^*$

444 $\mid H\text{-set} \rightarrow Nat \rightarrow (H\text{-set})^*$

444 $\text{partitioning}(s)(r)$ as sl

444 **post:** $\text{len } sl = r \wedge \bigcup \text{elems } sl = s$

444 $\wedge \forall si, sj: (L\text{-set} \mid H\text{-set}) \cdot$

444 $si \neq \{\} \wedge sj \neq \{\} \wedge \{si, sj\} \subseteq \text{elems } ss \Rightarrow si \cap sj = \{\}$

- 451 The $r_l + r_h$ recorder behaviours interact with the one net_db behaviour

channel

451 $r_db: RI \times (LNK \mid HUB)$

value

451 $\text{link_rec: } RI \rightarrow L\text{-set} \rightarrow \text{out } r_db \text{ Unit}$

451 $\text{hub_rec: } RI \rightarrow H\text{-set} \rightarrow \text{out } r_db \text{ Unit}$

451 $\text{net_db: Unit} \rightarrow \text{in } r_db \text{ Unit}$

- 452 The data base behaviour, net_db , offers to receive messages from the link and hub recorders.
 453 The data base behaviour, net_db , deposits these messages in respective variables.
 454 Initially there is a net, $n : N$,

455 from which is observed its links and hubs.
 456 These sets are partitioned into r_l , respectively r_h length lists of non-empty links and hubs.
 457 The ab-initio data initialisation behaviour, **ab_initio_data**, is then the parallel composition of link recorder, hub recorder and data base behaviours with link and hub recorder being allotted appropriate link, respectively hub sets.
 458 We construct, for technical reasons, as the reader will soon see, disjoint lists of link, respectively hub recorder identities.

value

452 **net_db**:

variable

453 **lnk_db**: $(RI \times LNK)$ -set

453 **hub_db**: $(RI \times HUB)$ -set

value

454 $n:N$

455 $ls:L\text{-set} = \mathbf{obs_Ls}(\mathbf{obs_LS}(n))$

455 $hs:H\text{-set} = \mathbf{obs_Hs}(\mathbf{obs_HS}(n))$

456 $lsl:(L\text{-set})^* = \mathbf{partitioning}(ls)(rl)$

456 $lhl:(H\text{-set})^* = \mathbf{partitioning}(hs)(rh)$

458 $rll:RI^* \mathbf{axiom} \mathbf{len} \ rll = rl = \mathbf{card} \ \mathbf{elems} \ rll$

458 $rihl:RI^* \mathbf{axiom} \mathbf{len} \ rihl = rh = \mathbf{card} \ \mathbf{elems} \ rihl$

457 **ab_initio_data**: **Unit** \rightarrow **Unit**

457 **ab_initio_data**() \equiv

457 $\parallel \{ \mathbf{lnk_rec}(rll[i])(lsl[i]) \mid i:\mathbf{Nat} \cdot 1 \leq i \leq rl \} \parallel$

457 $\parallel \{ \mathbf{hub_rec}(rihl[i])(lhl[i]) \mid i:\mathbf{Nat} \cdot 1 \leq i \leq rh \}$

457 $\parallel \mathbf{net_db}()$

459 The link and the hub recorders are near-identical behaviours.
 460 They both revolve around an imperatively stated **for all ... do ... end**. The selected link (or hub) is inspected and the “data” for the data base is prepared from
 461 the unique identifier,
 462 the mereology, and
 463 the attributes.
 464 These “data” are sent, as a message, prefixed the senders identity, to the data base behaviour.
 465 We presently leave the ... unexplained.

value

451 **link_rec**: $RI \rightarrow L\text{-set} \rightarrow \mathbf{Unit}$

459 **link_rec**(ri, ls) \equiv

460 **for** $\forall l:L \cdot l \in ls$ **do** **uid_L**(l)

461 **let** $\mathbf{lnk} = (\mathbf{uid_L}(l),$

462 $\mathbf{mereo_L}(l),$

463 $\mathbf{attributes}(l))$ **in**

464 $\mathbf{rdb} \ ! \ (ri, \mathbf{``link''}, \mathbf{lnk});$

465 **... end**

460 **end**

451 **hub_rec**: $RI \times H\text{-set} \rightarrow \mathbf{Unit}$

459 **hub_rec**(ri, hs) \equiv

460 **for** $\forall h:H \cdot h \in hs$ **do** **uid_H**(h)

461 **let** $\mathbf{hub} = (\mathbf{uid_L}(h),$

462 $\mathbf{mereo_H}(h),$

463 $\mathbf{attributes}(h))$ **in**

```

464      rdb ! (ri,"hub",hub);
465      ... end
460  end

```

466 The `net_db` data base behaviour revolves around a seemingly “never-ending” cyclic process.
 467 Each cycle “starts” with acceptance of some,
 468 either link or hub data.
 469 If link data then it is deposited in the link data base,
 470 if hub data then it is deposited in the hub data base.

```

value
466 net_db() ≡
467   let (ri,hol,data) = r_db ? in
468   case hol of
469     "link" → ... ; lnk_db := lnk_db ∪ (ri,data),
470     "hub"  → ... ; hub_db := hub_db ∪ (ri,data)
468   end end ;
466'  ... ;
466  net_db()

```

The above model is an idealisation. It assumes that the link and hub data represent a well-formed net. Included in this well-formedness are the following issues: (a) that all link or hub identifiers are communicated exactly once, (b) that all mereologies refer to defined parts, and (c) that all attribute values lie within an appropriate value range. If we were to cope with possible recording errors then we could, for example, extend the model as follows: (i) when a link or a hub recorder has completed its recording then it increments an initially zero counter (say at formula Item 465); (ii) before the net data base recycles it tests whether all recording sessions has ended and then proceeds to check the data base for well-formedness issues (a–b–c) (say at formula Item 466') ■

The above example illustrates the ‘interface’ phenomenon: In the formulas, for example, we show both manifest domain entities, viz., n, l, h etc., and abstract (required) software objects, viz., $(ui, me, attrs)$.

8.5.1.2.2 Data Refreshment:

One must also prescribe data refreshment: an interactive user interface dialogue with a set of proper display screens one for selecting the updating of net, of hub or of link attribute names and their types and, for example, two for the respective update of hub and link attribute values. Interaction-prompts may be prescribed: next update, on-line vetting and display of revised net, etc. These and many other aspects may therefore need prescriptions.

8.5.1.3 Shared Perdurants

We can expect that for every part in the domain that is shared with the machine and for which there is a corresponding behaviour of the domain there might be a corresponding process of the machine. If a projected, instantiated, ‘determined’ and possibly extended domain part is dynamic, then it is definitely a candidate for being shared and having an associated machine process.

We now illustrate the concept of shared perdurants via the domain requirements extension example of Sect. 8.4.4, i.e. Example 121 Pages 224–229.

Requirements: Interface Requirements, Shared Behaviours

Example 126 Road Pricing Calculator Behaviour:

```

471 The road-pricing calculator alternates between offering to accept communication from
472 either any vehicle

```

473 or any toll-gate.

```

471 calc: ci:CI × (vis:VI-set × gis:GI-set) → RLF → TRM →
472   in {v_c_ch[ci,vi] | vi:VI • vi ∈ vis},
473   {g_c_ch[ci,gi] | gi:GI • gi ∈ gis} Unit
471 calc(ci,(vis,gis))(rlf)(trm) ≡
472   react_to_vehicles(ci,(vis,gis))(rlf)(trm)
471   □
473   react_to_gates(ci,(vis,gis))(rlf)(trm)
471   pre ci = ciℓ ∧ vis = visℓ ∧ gis = gisℓ

```

The calculator signature's $v_c_ch[ci,vi]$ and $g_c_ch[ci,gi]$ model the *embedded attribute sharing* between vehicles (their position), respectively gates (their vehicle identification) and the calculator road map [70, Sect. 4.1.1 and 4.5.2].

474 If the communication is from a vehicle inside the toll-road net
 475 then its toll-road net position, vp , is found from the road location function, rlf ,
 476 and the calculator resumes its work with the traffic map, trm , suitably updated,
 477 otherwise the calculator resumes its work with no changes.

```

472 react_to_vehicles(ci,(vis,gis),vplf)(trm) ≡
472   let (vi,(τ,lpos)) = □ {v_c_ch[ci,vi] ? | vi:VI • vi ∈ vis} in
474   if vi ∈ dom trm
475   then let vp = vplf(lpos) in
476     calc(ci,(vis,gis),vplf)(trm † [vi ↦ trm^(τ, vp)]) end
477   else calc(ci,(vis,gis),vplf)(trm) end end

```

478 If the communication is from a gate,
 479 then that gate is either an entry gate or an exit gate;
 480 if it is an entry gate
 481 then the calculator resumes its work with the vehicle (that passed the entry gate) now recorded, afresh,
 in the traffic map, trm .
 482 Else it is an exit gate and
 483 the calculator concludes that the vehicle has ended its to-be-paid-for journey inside the toll-road net,
 and hence to be billed;
 484 then the calculator resumes its work with the vehicle now removed from the traffic map, trm .

```

473 react_to_gates(ci,(vis,gis),vplf)(trm) ≡
473   let (ee,(τ,(vi,li))) = □ {g_c_ch[ci,gi] ? | gi:GI • gi ∈ gis} in
479   case ee of
480     "Enter" →
481       calc(ci,(vis,gis),vplf)(trm ∪ [vi ↦ (τ, SonL(li))]),
482     "Exit" →
483       billing(vi, trm(vi)^(τ, SonL(li)));
484     calc(ci,(vis,gis),vplf)(trm \ {vi}) end end

```

The above behaviour is the one for which we are to design software ■

8.5.2 Derived Requirements

Definition: 92 Derived Perdurant: By a *derived perdurant* we shall understand a perdurant which is not shared with the domain, but which focus on exploiting facilities of the software or hardware of the machine ■

“Exploiting facilities of the software”, to us, means that requirements, imply the presence, in the machine, of concepts (i.e., hardware and/or software), and that it is these concepts that the *derived requirements* “rely” on. We illustrate all three forms of perdurant extensions: derived actions, derived events and derived behaviours.

8.5.2.1 Derived Actions

Definition: 93 Derived Action: By a *derived action* we shall understand (a) a conceptual action (b) that calculates a usually non-Boolean valued property from, and possibly changes to (c) a machine behaviour state (d) as instigated by some actor ■

Requirements: Domain Requirements, Derived Action – Tracing Vehicles

Example 127 The example is based on the *Road Pricing Calculator Behaviour* of Example 126 on Page 235. The “external” actor, i.e., a user of the *Road Pricing Calculator* system wishes to trace specific vehicles “cruising” the toll-road. That user (a *Road Pricing Calculator* staff), issues a command to the *Road Pricing Calculator* system, with the identity of a vehicle not already being traced. As a result the *Road Pricing Calculator* system augments a possibly void trace of the timed toll-road positions of vehicles. We augment the definition of the *calculator* definition Items 471–484, Pages 235–236.

485 Traces are modeled by a pair of dynamic attributes:

- a as a programmable attribute, *tra:TRA*, of the set of identifiers of vehicles being traced, and
- b as a reactive attribute, *vdu:VDU²⁰*, that maps vehicle identifiers into time-stamped sequences of simple vehicle positions, i.e., as a subset of the *trm:TRM* programmable attribute.

486 The actor-to-calculator *begin* or *end* trace command, *cmd:Cmd*, is modeled as an autonomous dynamic attribute of the *calculator*.

487 The *calculator* signature is furthermore augmented with the three attributes mentioned above.

488 The occurrence and handling of an actor trace command is modeled as a non-deterministic external choice and a *react_to_trace_cmd* behaviour.

489 The reactive attribute value (*attr_vdu_ch?*) is that subset of the traffic map (*trm*) which records just the time-stamped sequences of simple vehicle positions being traced (*tra*).

type

485a $TRA = VI\text{-}set$

485b $VDU = TRM$

486 $Cmd = BTr \mid ETr$

486 $BTr :: VI$

486 $ETr :: VI$

value

487 $calc: ci:CI \times (vis:VI\text{-}set \times gis:GI\text{-}set) \rightarrow RLF \rightarrow TRM \rightarrow TRA$

472,473 $\text{in } \{v_c_ch[ci,vi] \mid vi:VI \cdot vi \in vis\},$

472,473 $\{g_c_ch[ci,gi] \mid gi:GI \cdot gi \in gis\},$

488,489 $attr_cmd_ch, attr_vdu_ch \quad \text{Unit}$

471 $calc(ci,(vis,gis))(rlf)(trm)(tra) \equiv$

```

472   react_to_vehicles(ci,(vis,gis),(rlf)(trm)(tra)
473   □ react_to_gates(ci,(vis,gis))(rlf)(trm)(tra)
488   □ react_to_trace_cmd(ci,(vis,gis))(rlf)(trm)(tra)
471   pre ci = ciℓ ∧ vis = visℓ ∧ gis = gisℓ
489   axiom □ attr_vdu_ch[ci]? = trm|tra

```

The 488,489 *attr_cmd_ch,attr_vdu_ch* of the *calculator* signature models the *calculator's* external *command* and *visual display unit* attributes.

490 The *react_to_trace_cmd* alternative behaviour is either a "Begin" or an "End" request which identifies the affected vehicle.

491 If it is a "Begin" request

492 and the identified vehicle is already being traced then we do not prescribe what to do !

493 Else we resume the *calculator* behaviour, now recording that vehicle as being traced.

494 If it is an "End" request

495 and the identified vehicle is already being traced then we do not prescribe what to do !

496 Else we resume the *calculator* behaviour, now recording that vehicle as no longer being traced.

```

490   react_to_trace_cmd(ci,(vis,gis))(vplf)(trm)(tra) ≡
490   case attr_cmd_ch[ci]? of
         mkBTr(vi) →
491     if vi ∈ tra
492     then chaos
493     else calc(ci,(vis,gis))(vplf)(trm)(tra ∪ {vi}) end
         mkETr(vi) →
494     if vi ∉ tra
495     then chaos
496     else calc(ci,(vis,gis))(vplf)(trm)(tra \ {vi}) end
490   end

```

The above behaviour, Items 471–496, is the one for which we are to design software ■

Example 127 exemplifies an action requirement as per definition 93: (a) the action is conceptual, it has no physical counterpart in the domain; (b) it calculates (489) a visual display (vdu); (c) the vdu value is based on a conceptual notion of traffic road maps (trm), an element of the *calculator* state; (d) the calculation is triggered by an actor (attr_cmd_ch).

8.5.2.2 Derived Events

Definition: 94 Derived Event: By a *derived event* we shall understand (a) a conceptual event, (b) that calculates a property or some non-Boolean value (c) from a machine behaviour state change ■

Requirements: Domain Requirements, Derived Event, Current Maximum Flow

Example 128 The example is based on the *Road Pricing Calculator Behaviour* of Examples 127 and 126 on Page 235. By "the current maximum flow" we understand a time-stamped natural number, the number representing the highest number of vehicles which at the time-stamped moment cruised or now cruises around the toll-road net. We augment the definition of the *calculator* definition Items 471–496, Pages 235–238.

497 We augment the *calculator* signature with

498 a time-stamped natural number valued dynamic programmable attribute, (*t*: \mathbb{T} , *max*:*Max*).

499 Whenever a vehicle enters the toll-road net, through one of its [entry] gates,

- a it is checked whether the resulting number of vehicles recorded in the *road traffic map* is higher than the hitherto *maximum* recorded number.

b If so, that programmable attribute has its number element “upped” by one.
 c Otherwise not.

500 No changes are to be made to the `react_to_gates` behaviour (Items 473–484 Page 236) when a vehicle exits the toll-road net.

```

type
498  MAX =  $\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{NAT}$ 
value
487,497  calc:  $ci:CI \times (vis:VI\text{-}set \times gis:GI\text{-}set) \rightarrow RLF \rightarrow TRM \rightarrow TRA \rightarrow MAX$ 
472,473    in  $\{v\_c\_ch[ci,vi] | vi:VI \cdot vi \in vis\}, \{g\_c\_ch[ci,gi] | gi:GI \cdot gi \in gis\}, attr\_cmd\_ch, attr\_vdu\_ch$  Unit
473  react_to_gates(ci,(vis,gis))(vplf)(trm)(tra)(t,m)  $\equiv$ 
473    let (ee,( $\tau,(vi,li)$ )) =  $\square \{g\_c\_ch[ci,gi] | gi:GI \cdot gi \in gis\}$  in
479    case ee of
499      "Enter"  $\rightarrow$ 
499        calc(ci,(vis,gis))(vplf)(trm  $\cup [vi \mapsto ((\tau, SonL(li))])$ )
499        (tra)( $\tau$ , if card dom trm = m then m + 1 else m end),
500      "Exit"  $\rightarrow$ 
500        billing(vi, trm(vi)  $\setminus ((\tau, SonL(li)))$ );
500        calc(ci,(vis,gis))(vplf)(trm  $\setminus \{vi\}$ )(tra)(t,m) end
479    end

```

The above behaviour, Items 471 on Page 235 through 499c, is the one for which we are to design software ■

Example 128 exemplifies a derived event requirement as per Definition 94: (a) the event is conceptual, it has no physical counterpart in the domain; (b) it calculates (499b) the `max` value based on a conceptual notion of traffic road maps (`trm`), (c) which is an element of the calculator state.

8.5.2.3 No Derived Behaviours

There are no derived behaviours. The reason is as follows. Behaviours are associated with parts. A possibly ‘derived behaviour’ would entail the introduction of an ‘associated’ part. And if such a part made sense it should – in all likelihood – already have been either a proper domain part or become a domain extension. If the domain-to-requirements engineer insist on modeling some interface requirements as a process then we consider that a technical matter, a choice of abstraction.

8.5.3 Discussion

8.5.3.1 Derived Requirements

Formulation of derived actions or derived events usually involves technical terms not only from the domain but typically from such conceptual ‘domains’ as mathematics, economics, engineering or their visualisation. Derived requirements may, for some requirements developments, constitute “sizable” requirements compared to “all the other” requirements. For their analysis and prescription it makes good sense to first having developed “the other” requirements: domain, interface and machine requirements. The treatment of the present chapter does not offer special techniques and tools for the conception, &c., of derived requirements. Instead we refer to the seminal works of [134, 264, 355].

8.5.3.2 Introspective Requirements

Humans, including human users are, in this chapter, considered to never be part of the domain for which a requirements prescription is being developed. If it is necessary to involve humans in the domain description or the requirements prescription then their prescription is to reflect assumptions upon whose behaviour the machine rely. It is therefore that we, above, have stated, in passing, that we cannot accept requirements of the kind: “*the machine must be user friendly*”, because, in reality, it means “*the user must rely upon the machine being ‘friendly’*” whatever that may mean. We are not requirements prescribing humans, nor their sentiments !

8.6 Machine Requirements

Other than listing a sizable number of *machine requirement facets* we shall not cover machine requirements in this chapter. The reason for this is as follows. We find, cf. [41, Sect. 19.6], that when the individual machine requirements are expressed then references to domain phenomena are, in fact, abstract references, that is, they do not refer to the semantics of what they name. Hence *machine requirements* “fall” outside the scope of this chapter with that scope being “*derivation*” of requirements from domain specifications with emphasis on derivation techniques that relate to various aspects of the domain.

(A) There are the *technology requirements* of (1) *performance* and (2) *dependability*. Within *dependability requirements* there are (a) *accessibility*, (b) *availability*, (c) *integrity*, (d) *reliability*, (e) *safety*, (f) *security* and (g) *robustness* requirements. A proper treatment of dependability requirements need a careful definition of such terms as *failure*, *error*, *fault*, and, from these *dependability*. (B) And there are the *development requirements* of (i) *process*, (ii) *maintenance*, (iii) *platform*, (iv) *management* and (v) *documentation* requirements. Within *maintenance requirements* there are (ii.1) *adaptive*, (ii.2) *corrective*, (ii.3) *perfective*, (ii.4) *preventive*, and (ii.5) *extensional* requirements. Within *platform requirements* there are (iii.1) *development*, (iii.2) *execution*, (iii.3) *maintenance*, and (iii.4) *demonstration platform* requirements. We refer to [41, Sect. 19.6] for an early treatment of *machine requirements*.

8.7 Summary

8.7.1 Method Principles, Techniques and Tools

Recall that by a method we shall understand a set of *principles* for selecting and applying a set of *techniques* using a set of *tools* in order to construct an artefact.

8.7.1.1 Principles of Requirements

Some of the principles applied in “deriving” requirements prescriptions from domain descriptions are:

Divide & Conquer : The separation into

- **domain**,
- **interface** and
- **machine**

requirements is an example of ‘divide & conquer’, as is their treatment in the order listed.

Refinement : “By and large” we see the ‘transformation’ of domain descriptions into requirements prescriptions as a refinement though with some exceptional ‘deviations’. Instantiation is not a refinement. Determination is. When we say ‘by and large’ we mean “when everything about a situation is considered together”. That is, not all the transformations of this chapter are refinements.

Conservative Extension : The extension(s), in our examples, in this chapter is/are an example of conservative extension(s), But there could be other forms of domain extensions which would not be conservative.

8.7.1.2 Techniques of Requirements

The basic technique, in all steps of domain and interface requirements, involve reconsidering the domain sorts and types, then their well-formedness, then their mereologies, et cetera. Further techniques, i.e., sub-techniques derive from that.

8.7.1.3 Tools of Requirements

The tools are the usual ones: informal, but disciplined narratives that are ‘fitted’ closely to the formalisations.

8.7.2 Concluding Review

We conclude by briefly reviewing what has been achieved, present shortcomings & possible research challenges, and a few words on relations to “classical requirements engineering”.

8.7.2.1 What has been Achieved ?

We have shown how to systematically “derive” initial aspects of requirements prescriptions from domain descriptions. The stages²¹ and steps²² of this “derivation”²³ are new. We claim that current requirements engineering approaches, although they may refer to a or the ‘domain’, are not really ‘serious’ about this: they do not describe the domain, and they do not base their techniques and tools on a reasoned understanding of the domain. In contrast we have identified, we claim, a logically motivated decomposition of requirements into three phases, cf. Footnote 21., of domain requirements into five steps, cf. Footnote 22 (Page 241), and of interface requirements, based on a concept of shared entities, tentatively into (α) shared endurants, (β) shared actions, (γ) shared events, and (δ) shared behaviours (with more research into the (α - δ) techniques needed).

8.7.2.2 Present Shortcomings and Research Challenges

We see three shortcomings: (1) The “derivation” techniques have yet to consider “extracting” requirements from *domain facet descriptions*. Only by including *domain facet descriptions* can we, in “deriving” *requirements prescriptions*, include failures of, for example, support technologies and humans, in the design of fault-tolerant software. (2) The “derivation” principles, techniques and tools should be given a formal treatment. (3) There is a serious need for relating the approach of the present chapter to that of the seminal text book of [355, Axel van Lamsweerde]. [355] is not being “replaced” by the present work. It tackles a different set of problems. We refer to the penultimate paragraph before the **Acknowledgment** closing.

8.7.2.3 Comparison to “Classical” Requirements Engineering:

Except for a few, represented by two, we are not going to compare the contributions of the present chapter with published journal or conference papers on the subject of requirements engineering. The reason for this is the following. The present chapter, rather completely, we claim, reformulates requirements engineering, giving it a ‘foundation’, in *domain engineering*, and then developing *requirements engineering* from there, viewing requirements prescriptions as “derived” from domain descriptions. We do not see any of the papers, except those reviewed below [256] and [134], referring in any technical sense to ‘domains’ such as we understand them.

8.7.2.3.1 [256, Deriving Specifications for Systems That Are Connected to the Physical World]

The paper that comes closest to the present chapter in its serious treatment of the [problem] domain as a precursor for requirements development is that of [256, Jones, Hayes & Jackson]. A purpose of [256] (Sect. 1.1, Page 367, last §) is to see “how little can one say” (about the problem domain) when expressing assumptions about requirements. This is seen by [256] (earlier in the same paragraph) as in contrast to our form of domain modeling. [256] reveals assumptions about the domain when expressing *rely guarantees* in tight conjunction with expressing the *guarantee* (requirements). That is, analysing and expressing requirements, in [256], goes hand-in-hand with analysing and expressing fragments of the domain. The current chapter takes the view that since, as demonstrated in [70], it is possible to model sizable aspects of domains, then it would be interesting to study how one might “derive” — and which — requirements prescriptions from domain descriptions; and having demonstrated that (i.e., the “how much can be derived”) it seems of

²¹ (a) domain, (b) interface and (c) machine requirements

²² For domain requirements: (i) projection, (ii) instantiation, (iii) determination, (iv) extension and (v) fitting; etc.

²³ We use double quotation marks: “...” to indicate that the derivation is not automatable.

scientific interest to see how that new start (i.e., starting with a priori given domain descriptions or starting with first developing domain descriptions) can be combined with existing approaches, such as [256]. We do appreciate the “tight coupling” of rely–guarantees of [256]. But perhaps one loses understanding of the domain due to its fragmented presentation. If the ‘relies’ are not outright, i.e., textually directly expressed in our domain descriptions, then they obviously must be provable properties of what our domain descriptions express. Our, i.e., the present, chapter — with its background in Chapters 3–6 and [70, Sect. 4.7] — develops — with a background in [252, M.A. Jackson] — a set of principles and techniques for the access of attributes. The “discovery” of the CM and SG channels of [256] and of the type of their messages, seems, compared to our approach, less systematic. Also, it is not clear how the [256] case study “scales” up to a larger domain. The *sluice gate* of [256] is but part of a large (‘irrigation’) system of reservoirs (water sources), canals, sluice gates and the fields (water sinks) to be irrigated. We obviously would delineate such a larger system and research & develop an appropriate, both informal, a narrative, and formal domain description for such a class of irrigation systems based on assumptions of precipitation and evaporation. Then the users’ requirements, in [256], that the sluice gate, over suitable time intervals, is open 20% of the time and otherwise closed, could now be expressed more pertinently, in terms of the fields being appropriately irrigated.

8.7.2.3.2 [134, Goal-directed Requirements Acquisition]

outlines an approach to requirements acquisition that starts with fragments of domain description. The domain description is captured in terms of predicates over *actors*, *actions*, *events*, *entities* and (their) *relations*. Our approach to domain modeling differs from that of [134] as follows: Agents, actions, entities and relations are, in [134], seen as specialisations of a concept of *objects*. The nearest analogy to relations, in [70], as well as in this chapter, is the signatures of perdurants. Our ‘agents’ relate to discrete endurants, i.e., parts, and are the behaviours that evolve around these parts: one agent per part! [134] otherwise include describing parts, relations between parts, actions and events much like [70] and this chapter does. [134] then introduces a notion of *goal*. A *goal*, in [134], is defined as “a *nonoperational objective to be achieved by the desired system*. *Nonoperational means that the objective is not formulated in terms of objects and actions “available” to some agent of the system*”²⁴ [134] then goes on to exemplify goals. In this, the current chapter, we are not considering *goals*, also a major theme of [355].²⁵ Typically the expression of goals of [134, 355], are “within” computer & computing science and involve the use of temporal logic.²⁶ “*Constraints are operational objectives to be achieved by the desired (i.e., required) system, . . . , formulated in terms of objects and actions “available” to some agents of the system. . . . Goals are made operational through constraints. . . . A constraint operationalising a goal amounts to some abstract “implementation” of this goal*” [134]. [134] then goes on to express goals and constraints operationalising these. [134] is a fascinating paper²⁷ as it shows how to build goals and constraints on domain description fragments.

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These papers, [256] and [134], as well as the current chapter, together with such seminal monographs as [380, 301, 355], clearly shows that there are many diverse ways in which to achieve precise requirements

²⁴ We have reservations about this definition: Firstly, it is expressed in terms of some of the “things” it is not! (To us, not a very useful approach.) Secondly, we can imagine goals that are indeed formulated in terms of objects and actions ‘available’ to some agent of the system. For example, wrt. the ongoing library examples of [134], *the system shall automate the borrowing of books*, et cetera. Thirdly, we assume that by “‘available’ to some agent of the system” is meant that these agents, actions, entities, etc., are also required.

²⁵ An example of a goal — for the road pricing system — could be that of *shortening travel times of motorists, reducing gasoline consumption and air pollution, while recouping investments on toll-road construction*. We consider techniques for ensuring the above kind of goals “outside” the realm of computer & computing science but “inside” the realm of operations research (OR) — while securing that the OR models are commensurate with our domain models.

²⁶ In this chapter we do not exemplify goals, let alone the use of temporal logic. We cannot exemplify all aspects of domain description and requirements prescription, but, if we were, would then use the temporal logic of [380, The Duration Calculus].

²⁷ — that might, however, warrant a complete rewrite.

prescriptions. The [380, 301] monographs primarily study the $\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{S} \models \mathcal{R}$ specification and proof techniques from the point of view of the specific tools of their specification languages²⁸. Physics, as a natural science, and its many engineering ‘renditions’, are manifested in many separate sub-fields: Electricity, mechanics, statics, fluid dynamics — each with further sub-fields. It seems, to this author, that there is a need to study the [380, 301, 355] approaches and the approach taken in this chapter in the light of identifying sub-fields of requirements engineering. The title of the present chapter suggests one such sub-field.

8.8 Bibliographical Notes

I have thought about domain engineering for more than 20 years. But serious, focused writing only started to appear since [41, Part IV] — with [37, 34] being exceptions: [43] suggests a number of domain science and engineering research topics; [52] covers the concept of domain facets; [82] explores compositionality and Galois connections. [44, 81] show how to systematically, but, of course, not automatically, “derive” requirements prescriptions from domain descriptions; [56] takes the triptych software development as a basis for outlining principles for believable software management; [48, 61] presents a model for Stanisław Leśniewski’s [115] concept of mereology; [53, 57] present an extensive example and is otherwise a precursor for the present chapter; [58] presents, based on the TripTych view of software development as ideally proceeding from domain description via requirements prescription to software design, concepts such as software demos and simulators; [59] analyses the TripTych, especially its domain engineering approach, with respect to [276, 277, Maslow]’s and [313, Peterson’s and Seligman’s]’s notions of humanity: how can computing relate to notions of humanity; the first part of [62] is a precursor for [70] with the second part of [62] presenting a first formal model of the elicitation process of analysis and description based on the prompts more definitively presented in the current chapter; and with [63] focus on domain safety criticality.

8.9 Exercise Problems

8.9.1 Research Problems

Exercise 1. A Research Challenge. Bridge to The Hayes–Jackson–Jones Approach: We refer to Pages 241–242. Study [256, Hayes, Jackson and Jones] and related papers. Then suggest ways and means to incorporate their, the HJJ approach, with that of ours. Let either the HJJ be determining the approach sequence or that of ours.

Exercise 2. A Research Challenge. Bridge to The Lamsweerde Approach: We refer to Pages 242–242. Study [134, van Lamsweerde et al.] and related papers. Then suggest ways and means to incorporate their, the KAOS approach, with that of ours. Let either the KAOS be determining the approach sequence or that of ours.

Exercise 3. A Research Challenge. Bridge to Cyber-Physical Computing Systems: Study [301, Olderog and Dierks] and related papers. Then suggest ways and means to incorporate their, the Olderog et al. approach, with that of ours. Let either the Olderog et al. be determining the approach sequence or that of ours.

8.9.2 Term Projects

We continue the term projects of Sects. 3.23.3 on Page 82, 4.12.3 on Page 122, 6.14.3 on Page 163, and 7.11.2 on Page 195.

The students are to identify and analyse & describe at least three distinct requirements aspects of their chosen domain:

²⁸ The Duration Calculus [DC], respectively DC, Timed Automata and Z

- domain requirements:
 - ⊗ projections,
 - ⊗ instantiations,
- interface requirements.

Exercise 47 An MSc Student Exercise. The Consumer Market, Requirements: We refer to Exercise 4 on Page 83, 20 on Page 122, 31 on Page 163, and 40 on Page 195.

Exercise 48 An MSc Student Exercise. Financial Service Industry, Requirements: We refer to Exercise 5 on Page 83, 21 on Page 123, 32 on Page 163, and 41 on Page 195.

Exercise 49 An MSc Student Exercise. Container Line Industry, Requirements: We refer to Exercise 6 on Page 83, 22 on Page 123, 33 on Page 163, and 42 on Page 195.

Exercise 50 An MSc Student Exercise. Railway Systems, Requirements: We refer to Exercise 7 on Page 83, 23 on Page 123, 34 on Page 163, and 43 on Page 195.

Exercise 51 An MSc Student Exercise. Part-Material Conjoins: Pipelines, Requirements: We refer to Appendix Chapter A.

Exercise 52 A PhD Student Problem. Part-Material Conjoins: Canals, Requirements: We refer to Exercise 8 on Page 83, 24 on Page 123, 35 on Page 163, and 44 on Page 195.

Exercise 53 A PhD Student Problem. Part-Materials Conjoins: Rum Production, Requirements: We refer to Exercises 9 on Page 83, 25 on Page 123, 36 on Page 163 and 45 on Page 195.

Exercise 54 A PhD Student Problem. Part-Materials Conjoins: Waste Management, Requirements: We refer to Exercise 10 on Page 83, 26 on Page 123, 37 on Page 163, and 46 on Page 195.

CLOSING

DEMOS, SIMULATORS, MONITORS AND CONTROLLERS

In this chapter¹ we muse over concepts of demos, simulators, monitors and controllers.

9.1 Introduction

We sketch some observations of the concepts of domain, requirements and modeling – where abstract interpretations of these models cover both a priori, a posteriori and real-time aspects of the domain as well as 1–1 (i.e., real-time), microscopic and macroscopic simulations, real-time monitoring and real-time monitoring & control of that domain. The reference frame for these concepts are domain models: carefully narrated and formally described domains. On the basis of a familiarising example² of a domain description, we survey more-or-less standard ideas of verifiable software developments and conjecture software product families of demos, simulators, monitors and monitors & controllers – but now these “standard ideas” are recast in the context of core requirements prescriptions being “derived” from domain descriptions. A background setting for this chapter is the concern for (α) professionally developing the right software, i.e., software which satisfies users expectations, and (ω) software that is right: i.e., software which is correct with respect to user requirements and thus has no “bugs”, no “blue screens”. The present chapter must be seen on the background of a main line of experimental research around the topics of domain science & engineering and requirements engineering and their relation. We refer to earlier chapters of this monograph.

9.1.0.0.1 “Confusing Demos”:

This author has had the doubtful honour, on his many visits to computer science and software engineering laboratories around the world, to be presented, by his colleagues’ aspiring PhD students, so-called demos of “systems” that they were investigating. There always was a tacit assumption, namely that the audience, i.e., me, knew, a priori, what the domain “behind” the “system” being “demo’ed” was. Certainly, if there was such an understanding, it was brutally demolished by the “demo” presentation. My questions, such as “*what are you demo’ing*” (et cetera) went unanswered. Instead, while we were waiting to see “something interesting” to be displayed on the computer screen we were witnessing frantic, sometimes failed, input of commands and data, “nervous” attempts with “mouse” clickings, etc. – before something intended was displayed. After a, usually 15 minute, grace period, it was time, luckily, to proceed to the next “demo”.

9.1.0.0.2 Aims & Objectives:

The aims of this chapter is to present (a) some ideas about software that either “demo”, simulate, monitor or monitor & control domains; (b) some ideas about “time scaling”: demo and simulation time versus domain time; and (c) how these kinds of software relate. The (undoubtedly very naïve) objectives of the chapter is also to improve the kind of demo-presentations, alluded to above, so as to ensure that the basis for such demos is crystal clear from the very outset of research & development, i.e., that domains be well-described. The chapter, we think, tackles the issue of so-called “model-oriented (or model-based) software development” from altogether different angles than usually promoted.

¹ This chapter is an edited rendition of [58]

² – take that of Chapter 3

9.1.0.0.3 An Exploratory Chapter:

The chapter is exploratory. There will be no theorems and therefore there will be no proofs. We are presenting what might eventually emerge into (α) a theory of domains, i.e., a domain science and (β) a software development theory of domain engineering versus requirements engineering.

The chapter is not a “standard” research chapter: it does not compare its claimed achievements with corresponding or related achievements of other researchers – simply because we do not claim “achievements” which have been reasonably well formalised. But we would suggest that you might find some of the ideas of the chapter (in Sect. 9.2) worthwhile. Hence the “divertimento” suffix to the chapter title.

9.1.0.0.4 Structure of Chapter:

The structure of the chapter is as follows. In Sect. 9.2 we then outline a series of interpretations of domain descriptions. These arise, when developed in an orderly, professional manner, from requirements prescriptions which are themselves orderly developed from the domain description. The essence of Sect. 9.2 is (i) the (albeit informal) presentation of such tightly related notions as *demos* (Sect. 9.2.1), *simulators* (Sect. 9.2.2 on the next page), *monitors* (Sect. 9.2.3.1 on Page 252) and *monitors & controllers* (Sect. 9.2.3.2 on Page 252) (these notions can be formalised), and (ii) the conjectures on a product family of domain-based software developments (Sect. 9.2.5 on Page 253). A notion of *script-based simulation* extends demos and is the basis for monitor and controller developments and uses. The scripts used in our examples are related to time, but one can define non-temporal scripts – so the “carrying idea” of Sect. 9.2 extends to a widest variety of software. We claim that Sect. 9.2 thus brings these new ideas: a tightly related software engineering concept of *demo-simulator-monitor-controller* machines, and an extended notion of *reference models for requirements and specifications* [185].

9.2 Interpretations

In this main section of the chapter we present a number of interpretations of rôles of domain descriptions.

9.2.1 What Is a Domain-based Demo?

A *domain-based demo* is a software system which “*present*” endurants and perdurants: actions, events and behaviours of a domain. The “*presentation*” abstracts these phenomena and their related concepts in various computer generated forms: visual, acoustic, etc.

9.2.1.1 Examples

There are two main examples. One was given in Chapter 3. The other is summarised below. It is from Chapter 8 on “deriving requirements prescriptions from domain descriptions”. The summary follows.

The domain description of Sect. 8.2 outlines an abstract concept of transport nets (of hubs [street intersections, train stations, harbours, airports] and links [road segments, rail tracks, shipping lanes, air-lanes]), their development, traffic [of vehicles, trains, ships and aircraft], etc. We shall assume such a transport domain description below.

Endurants are, for example, presented as follows: (a) transport nets by two dimensional (2D) road, railway or air traffic maps, (b) hubs and links by highlighting parts of 2D maps and by related photos – and their unique identifiers by labeling hubs and links, (c) routes by highlighting sequences of paths (hubs and links) on a 2D map, (d) buses by photographs and by dots at hubs or on links of a 2D map, and (e) bus timetables by, well, indeed, by showing a 2D bus timetable.

Actions are, for example, presented as follows: (f) The insertion or removal of a hub or a link by showing “instantaneous” triplets of “before”, “during” and “after” animation sequences. (g) The start or end of a bus ride by showing flashing animations of the appearance, respectively the flashing disappearance of a bus (dot) at the origin, respectively the destination bus stops.

Events are, for example, presented as follows: *(h)* A mudslide [or fire in a road tunnel, or collapse of a bridge] along a (road) link by showing an animation of part of a (road) map with an instantaneous sequence of (α) the present link, (β) a gap somewhere on the link, (γ) and the appearance of two (“symbolic”) hubs “on either side of the gap”. *(i)* The congestion of road traffic “grinding to a halt” at, for example, a hub, by showing an animation of part of a (road) map with an instantaneous sequence of the massive accumulation of vehicle dots moving (instantaneously) from two or more links into a hub.

Behaviours are, for example, presented as follows: *(k)* A bus tour: from its start, on time, or “thereabouts”, from its bus stop of origin, via (all) intermediate stops, with or without delays or advances in times of arrivals and departures, to the bus stop of destination (ℓ) The composite behaviour of “all bus tours”, meeting or missing connection times, with sporadic delays, with cancellation of some bus tours, etc. – by showing the sequence of states of all the buses on the net.

We say that behaviours $((j)–(\ell))$ are *script-based* in that they (try to) satisfy a bus timetable $((e))$.

9.2.1.2 Towards a Theory of Visualisation and Acoustic Manifestation

The above examples shall serve to highlight the general problem of visualisation and acoustic manifestation. Just as we need sciences of visualising scientific data and of diagrammatic logics, so we *need more serious studies of visualisation and acoustic manifestation* — so amply, but, this author thinks, *inconsistently demonstrated by current uses of interactive computing media*.

9.2.2 Simulations

“Simulation is the imitation of some real thing, state of affairs, or process; the act of simulating something generally entails representing certain key characteristics or behaviours of a selected physical or abstract system” [Wikipedia] for the purposes of testing some hypotheses usually stated in terms of the model being simulated and pairs of statistical data and expected outcomes.

9.2.2.1 Explication of Figure 9.1

Figure 9.1 on the next page attempts to indicate four things: (i) Left top: the rounded edge rectangle labeled “The Domain” alludes to some specific domain (“out there”). (ii) Left middle: the small rounded rectangle labeled “A Domain Description” alludes to some document which narrates and formalises a description of “the domain”. (iii) Left bottom: the medium sized rectangle labeled “A Domain Demo based on the Domain Description” (for short “Demo”) alludes to a software system that, in some sense (to be made clear later) “simulates” “The Domain.” (iv) Right: the large rectangle (a) shows a horizontal time axis which basically “divides” that large rectangle into two parts: (b) Above the time axis the “**fat**” rounded edge rectangle alludes to the time-wise behaviour, a *domain trace*, of “The Domain” (i.e., the actual, the real, domain). (c) Below the time axis there are eight “**thin**” rectangles. These are labels S1, S2, S3, S4, S5, S6, S7 and S8. (d) Each of these denote a “run”, i.e., a time-stamped “execution”, a *program trace*, of the “Demo”. Their “relationship” to the time axis is this: their execution takes place in the real time as related to that of “The Domain” behaviour.

A *trace* (whether a domain or a program execution trace) is a time-stamped sequence of states: domain states, respectively demo, simulator, monitor and monitor & control states.

From Fig. 9.1 on the following page and the above explication we can conclude that “executions” S4 and S5 each share exactly one time point, t , at which “The Domain” and “The Simulation” “share” time, that is, the time-stamped execution S4 and S5 reflect a “Simulation” state which at time t should reflect (some abstraction of) “The Domain” state.

Only if the domain behaviour (i.e., trace) fully “surrounds” that of the simulation trace, or, vice-versa (cf. Fig. 9.1[S4,S5]), is there a “shared” time. Only if the ‘begin’ and ‘end’ times of the domain behaviour are identical to the ‘start’ and ‘finish’ times of the simulation trace, is there an infinity of shared 1–1 times. Only then do we speak of a real-time simulation.

In Fig 9.2 on Page 251 we show “the same” “Domain Behaviour” (three times) and a (1) simulation, a (2) monitoring and a (3) monitoring & control, all of whose ‘begin/start’ (b/β) and ‘end/finish’ (e/ϵ) times

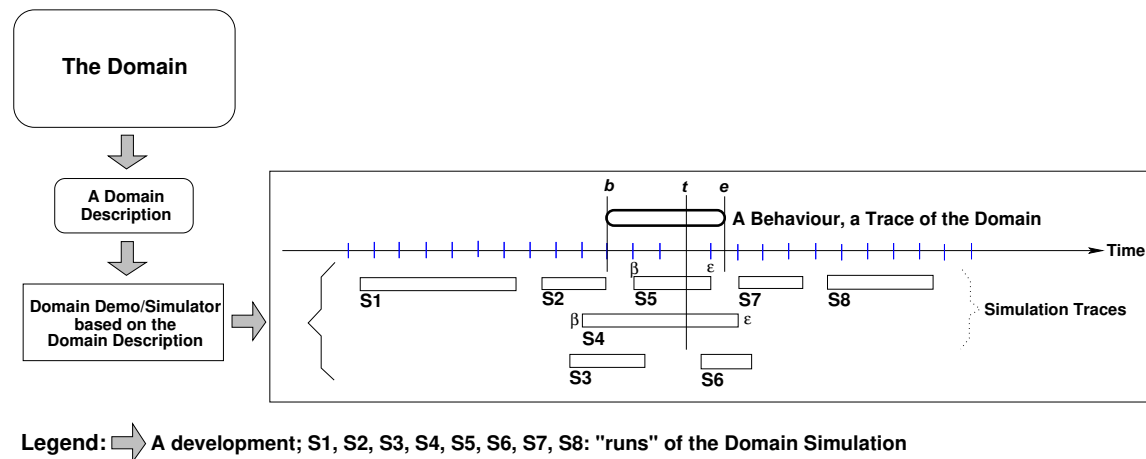


Fig. 9.1. Simulations

coincide. In such cases the “Demo/Simulation” takes place in real-time throughout the ‘begin……end’ interval.

Let β and ϵ be the ‘start’ and ‘finish’ times of either S4 or S5. Then the relationship between t, β, ϵ, b and e is $\frac{t-b}{e-t} = \frac{t-\beta}{\epsilon-t}$ — which leads to a second degree polynomial in t which can then be solved in the usual, high school manner.

9.2.2.2 Script-based Simulation

A script-based simulation is the behaviour, i.e., an execution, of, basically, a demo which, step-by-step, follows a script: that is a prescription for highlighting endurants, actions, events and behaviours.

Script-based simulations where the script embodies a notion of time, like a bus timetable, and unlike a route, can be thought of as the execution of a demos where “chunks” of demo operations take place in accordance with “chunks”³ of script prescriptions. The latter (i.e., the script prescriptions) can be said to represent simulated (i.e., domain) time in contrast to “actual computer” time. The actual times in which the script-based simulation takes place relate to domain times as shown in Simulations S1 to S8 in Fig. 9.1 and in Fig. 9.2(1–3). Traces Fig. 9.2(1–3) and S8 Fig. 9.1 are said to be *real-time*: there is a one-to-one mapping between computer time and domain time. S1 and S4 Fig. 9.1 are said to be *microscopic*: disjoint computer time intervals map into distinct domain times. S2, S3, S5, S6 and S7 are said to be *macroscopic*: disjoint domain time intervals map into distinct computer times.

In order to concretise the above “vague” statements let us take the example of simulating bus traffic as based on a bus timetable script. A simulation scenario could be as follows. Initially, not relating to any domain time, the simulation “demos” a net, available buses and a bus timetable. The person(s) who are requesting the simulation are asked to decide on the ratio of the domain time interval to simulation time interval. If the ratio is 1 a real-time simulation has been requested. If the ratio is less than 1 a microscopic simulation has been requested. If the ratio is larger than 1 a macroscopic simulation has been requested. A chosen ratio of, say 48 to 1 means that a 24 hour bus traffic is to be simulated in 30 minutes of elapsed simulation time. Then the person(s) who are requesting the simulation are asked to decide on the starting domain time, say 6:00am, and the domain time interval of simulation, say 4 hours – in which case the simulation of bus traffic from 6am till 10am is to be shown in 5 minutes (300 seconds) of elapsed simulation time. The person(s) who are requesting the simulation are then asked to decide on the “sampling times” or “time intervals”: If ‘sampling times’ 6:00 am, 6:30 am, 7:00 am, 8:00 am, 9:00 am, 9:30 am and 10:00 am are chosen, then the simulation is stopped at corresponding simulation times: 0 sec., 37.5 sec., 75 sec., 150 sec., 225 sec., 262.5 sec. and 300 sec. The simulation then shows the state of selected endurants and actions at these domain times. If ‘sampling time interval’ is chosen and is set to every 5 min., then the

³ We deliberately leave the notion of chunk vague so as to allow as wide an spectrum of simulations.

simulation shows the state of selected endurants and actions at corresponding domain times. The simulation is resumed when the person(s) who are requesting the simulation so indicates, say by a “resume” icon click. The time interval between adjacent simulation stops and resumptions contribute with 0 time to elapsed simulation time – which in this case was set to 5 minutes. Finally the requestor provides some statistical data such as numbers of potential and actual bus passengers, etc.

Then two clocks are started: a domain time clock and a simulation time clock. The simulation proceeds as driven by, in this case, the bus time table. To include “unforeseen” events, such as the wreckage of a bus (which is then unable to complete a bus tour), we allow any number of such events to be randomly scheduled. Actually scheduled events “interrupts” the “programmed” simulation and leads to thus unscheduled stops (and resumptions) where the unscheduled stop now focuses on showing the event.

9.2.2.3 The Development Arrow

The arrow, \Rightarrow , between a pair of boxes (of Fig. 9.1 on the facing page) denote a step of development: (i) from the domain box to the domain description box, \Downarrow , it denotes the development of a domain description based on studies and analyses of the domain; (ii) from the domain description box to the domain demo box, \Downarrow , it denotes the development of a software system — where that development assumes an intermediate requirements box which has not been show; (iii) from the domain demo box to either of a simulation traces, \Rightarrow , it denotes the development of a simulator as the related demo software system, again depending on whichever special requirements have been put to the simulator.

9.2.3 Monitoring & Control

Figure 9.2 shows three different kinds of uses of software systems where (2) [Monitoring] and (3) [Monitoring & Control] represent further developments from the demo or simulation software system mentioned in Sect. 9.2.1 and Sect. 9.2.2.2 on the facing page. We have added some (three) horizontal and

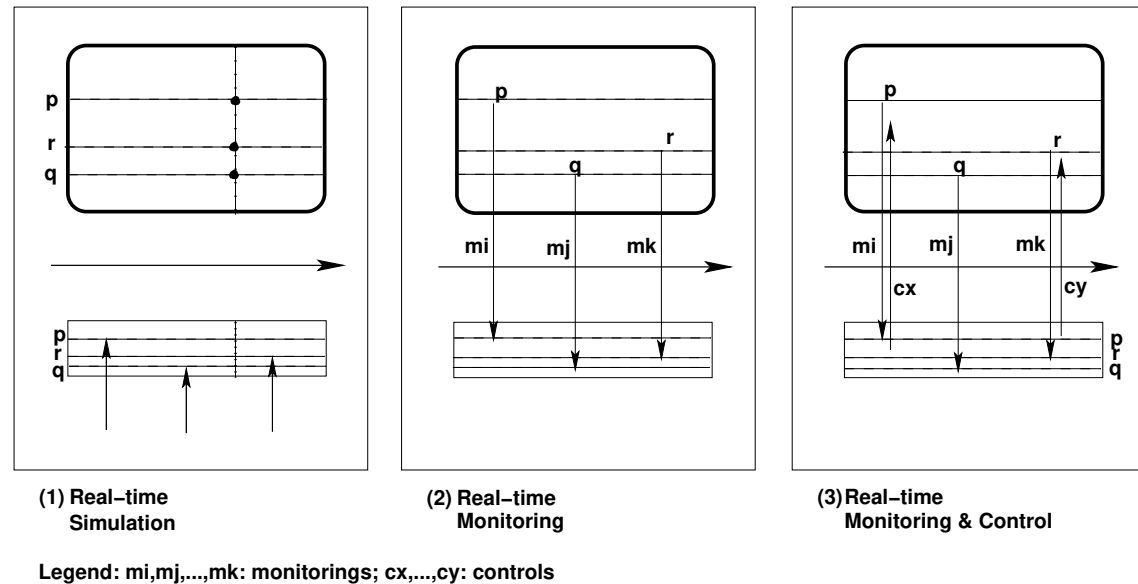


Fig. 9.2. Simulation, Monitoring and Monitoring & Control

labeled (p, q and r) lines to Fig. 9.2(1,2,3) (with respect to the traces of Fig. 9.1 on the facing page). They each denote a trace of an endurant, an action or an event, that is, they are traces of values of these phenomena or concepts. A (named) endurant value entails a description of the endurant, whither atomic (‘hub’, ‘link’, ‘bus timetable’) or composite (‘net’, ‘set of hubs’, etc.): of its unique identity, its mereology and a selection

of its attributes. A (named) action value could, for example, be the pair of the before and after states of the action and some description of the function ('insertion of a link', 'start of a bus tour') involved in the action. A (named) event value could, for example, be a pair of the before and after states of the endurants causing, respectively being effected by the event and some description of the predicate ('mudslide', 'break-down of a bus') involved in the event. A cross section, such as designated by the vertical lines (one for the domain trace, one for the "corresponding" program trace) of Fig. 9.2 on the previous page(1) denotes a state: a domain, respectively a program state.

Figure 9.2(1) attempts to show a real-time demo or simulation for the chosen domain. Figure 9.2(2) purports to show the deployment of real-time software for monitoring (chosen aspects of) the chosen domain. Figure 9.2(3) purports to show the deployment of real-time software for monitoring as well as controlling (chosen aspects of) the chosen domain.

9.2.3.1 Monitoring

By *domain monitoring* we mean "to be aware of the state of a domain", its endurants, actions, events and behaviour. Domain monitoring is thus a process, typically within a distributed system for collecting and storing state data. In this process "observation" points — i.e., endurants, actions and where events may occur — are identified in the domain, cf. points p, q and r of Fig. 9.2. Sensors are inserted at these points. The "downward" pointing vertical arrows of Figs. 9.2(2–3), from "the domain behaviour" to the "monitoring" and the "monitoring & control" traces express communication of what has been sensed (measured, photographed, etc.) [as directed by and] as input data (etc.) to these monitors. The monitor (being "executed") may store these "sensings" for future analysis.

9.2.3.2 Control

By *domain control* we mean "the ability to change the value" of endurants and the course of actions and hence behaviours, including prevention of events of the domain. Domain control is thus based on domain monitoring. Actuators are inserted in the domain "at or near" monitoring points or at points related to these, viz. points p and r of Fig. 9.2 on the preceding page(3). The "upward" pointing vertical arrows of Fig. 9.2 on the previous page(3), from the "monitoring & control" traces to the "domain behaviour" express communication, to the domain, of what has been computed by the controller as a proper control reaction in response to the monitoring.

9.2.4 Machine Development

9.2.4.1 Machines

By a *machine* we shall understand a combination of hardware and software. For **dem**os and **sim**ulators the machine is "mostly" software with the hardware typically being graphic display units with tactile instruments. For **mon**itors the "main" machine, besides the hardware and software of **dem**os and **sim**ulators, additionally includes *sensors* distributed throughout the domain and the technological machine means of *communicating* monitored signals from the sensors to the "main" machine and the processing of these signals by the main machine. For **mon**itors & **con**trollers the machine, besides the monitor machine, further includes actuators placed in the domain and the machine means of computing and communicating control signals to the actuators.

9.2.4.2 Requirements Development

Essential parts of Requirements to a Machine can be systematically "derived" from a Domain description. These essential parts are the *domain requirements* and the *interface requirements*. Domain requirements are those requirements which can be expressed, say in narrative form, by mentioning technical terms only of the domain. These technical terms cover only phenomena and concepts (endurants, actions, events and

behaviours) of the domain. Some domain requirements are *projected*, *instantiated*, made more *deterministic* and *extended*⁴. We bring examples that are taken from Sect. 8.2, cf. Sect. 9.2.1.1 on Page 248 of the present chapter. (a) By *domain projection* we mean a sub-setting of the domain description: parts are left out which the requirements stake-holders, collaborating with the requirements engineer, decide is of no relevance to the requirements. For our example it could be that our domain description had contained models of road net attributes such as “the wear & tear” of road surfaces, the length of links, states of hubs and links (that is, [dis]allowable directions of traffic through hubs and along links), etc. Projection might then omit these attributes. (b) By *domain instantiation* we mean a specialisation of endurants, actions, events and behaviours, refining them from abstract simple entities to more concrete such, etc. For our example it could be that we only model freeways or only model road-pricing nets – or any one or more other aspects. (c) By *domain determination* we mean that of making the domain description cum domain requirements prescription less non-deterministic, i.e., more deterministic (or even the other way around !). For our example it could be that we had domain-described states of street intersections as not controlled by traffic signals – where the determination is now that of introducing an abstract notion of traffic signals which allow only certain states (of red, yellow and green). (d) By *domain extension* we basically mean that of extending the domain with phenomena and concepts that were not feasible without information technology. For our examples we could extend the domain with bus mounted GPS gadgets that record and communicate (to, say a central bus traffic computer) the more-or-less exact positions of buses – thereby enabling the observation of bus traffic. Interface requirements are those requirements which can be expressed, say in narrative form, by mentioning technical terms both of the domain and of the machine. These technical terms thus cover shared phenomena and concepts, that is, phenomena and concepts of the domain which are, in some sense, also (to be) represented by the machine. Interface requirements represent (i) the initialisation and “on-the-fly” update of machine endurants on the basis of *shared* domain endurants; (ii) the interaction between the machine and the domain while the machine is carrying out a (previous domain) action; (iii) machine responses, if any, to domain events — or domain responses, if any, to machine events cum “outputs”; and (iv) machine monitoring and machine control of domain phenomena. Each of these four (i–iv) interface requirement facets themselves involve projection, instantiation, determination, extension and fitting. Machine requirements are those requirements which can be expressed, say in narrative form, by mentioning technical terms only of the machine. (An example is: visual display units.)

9.2.5 Verifiable Software Development

9.2.5.1 An Example Set of Conjectures

We illustrate some conjectures.

(A) From a domain, \mathcal{D} , one can develop a domain description \mathbb{D} . \mathbb{D} cannot be [formally] verified. It can be [informally] validated “against” \mathcal{D} . Individual properties, $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{D}}$, of the domain description \mathbb{D} and hence, purportedly, of the domain, \mathcal{D} , can be expressed and possibly proved $\mathbb{D} \models \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{D}}$ and these may be validated to be properties of \mathcal{D} by observations in (or of) that domain.

(B) From a domain description, \mathbb{D} , one can develop requirements, $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{D}}$, for, and from $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{D}}$ one can develop a domain **demo** machine specification $\mathbb{M}_{\mathbb{D}}$ such that $\mathbb{D}, \mathbb{M}_{\mathbb{D}} \models \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{D}}$. The formula $\mathbb{D}, \mathbb{M} \models \mathbb{R}$ can be read as follows: in order to prove that the \mathbb{M} achine satisfies the \mathbb{R} equirements, assumptions about the \mathbb{D} omain must often be made explicit in steps of the proof.

(C) From a domain description, \mathbb{D} , and a domain demo machine specification, $\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{D}}$, one can develop requirements, $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{S}}$, for, and from such a $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{S}}$ one can develop a domain **simulator** machine specification $\mathbb{M}_{\mathbb{S}}$ such that $(\mathbb{D}; \mathbb{M}_{\mathbb{D}}), \mathbb{M}_{\mathbb{S}} \models \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{S}}$. We have “lumped” $(\mathbb{D}; \mathbb{M}_{\mathbb{D}})$ as the two constitute the extended domain for which we, in this case of development, suggest the next stage requirements and machine development to take place.

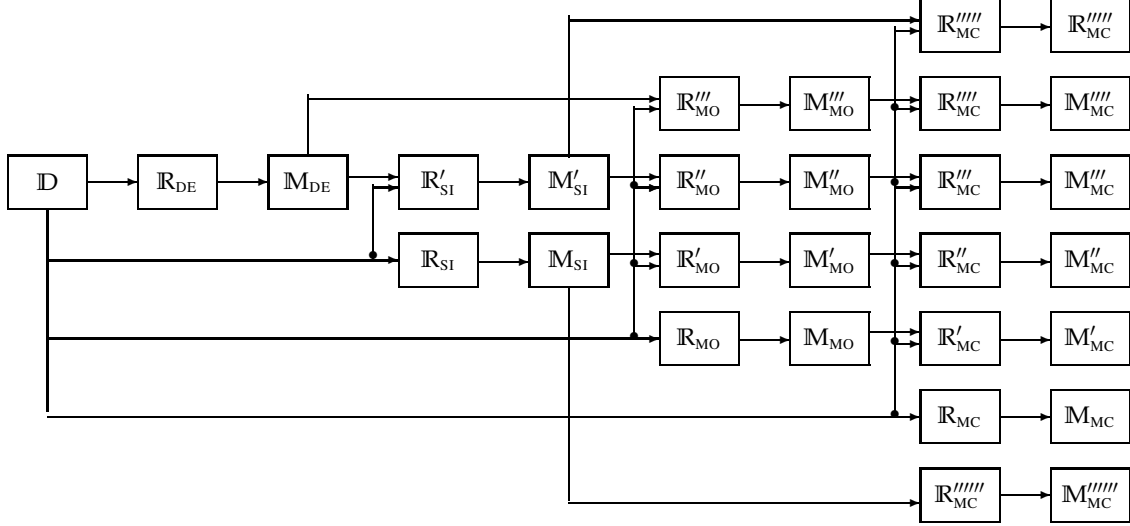
(D) From a domain description, \mathbb{D} , and a domain simulator machine specification, $\mathbb{M}_{\mathbb{S}}$, one can develop requirements, $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{M}}$, for, and from such a $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{M}}$ one can develop a domain **monitor** machine specification $\mathbb{M}_{\mathbb{M}}$ such that $(\mathbb{D}; \mathbb{M}_{\mathbb{S}}), \mathbb{M}_{\mathbb{M}} \models \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{M}}$.

⁴ We omit consideration of *fitting*.

(E) From a domain description, \mathbb{D} , and a domain monitor machine specification, \mathbb{M}_{MO} , one can develop requirements, \mathbb{R}_{MC} , for, and from such a \mathbb{R}_{MC} one can develop a domain monitor & controller machine specification \mathbb{M}_{MC} such that $(\mathbb{D}; \mathbb{M}_{\text{MO}}), \mathbb{M}_{\text{MC}} \models \mathbb{R}_{\text{MC}}$.

9.2.5.2 Chains of Verifiable Developments

The above illustrated just one chain (A–E) of developments. There are others. All are shown in Fig. 9.3.



Legend: \mathbb{D} domain, \mathbb{R} requirements, \mathbb{M} machine

DE: DEMO, SI: SIMULATOR, MO: MONITOR, MC: MONITOR & CONTROLLER

Fig. 9.3. Chains of Verifiable Developments

Figure 9.3 can also be interpreted as prescribing a widest possible range of machine cum software products [105, 317] for a given domain. One domain may give rise to many different kinds of DEMO machines, SIMulators, MONitors and Monitor & Controllers (the unprimed versions of the \mathbb{M}_T machines (where T ranges over DE, SI, MO, MC)). For each of these there are similarly, “exponentially” many variants of successor machines (the primed versions of the \mathbb{M}_T machines). What does it mean that a machine is a primed version? Well, here it means, for example, that \mathbb{M}'_{SI} embodies facets of the demo machine \mathbb{M}_{DE} , and that $\mathbb{M}'''_{\text{MC}}$ embodies facets of the demo machine \mathbb{M}_{DE} , of the simulator \mathbb{M}'_{SI} , and the monitor \mathbb{M}''_{MO} . Whether such requirements are desirable is left to product customers and their software providers [105, 317] to decide.

9.3 Summary

Our divertimento is almost over. It is time to conclude.

9.3.1 What Have We Achieved

We have characterised a spectrum of strongly domain-related as well as strongly inter-related (cf. Fig. 9.3) software product families: *demos*, *simulators*, *monitors* and *monitor & controllers*. We have indicated varieties of these: simulators based on demos, monitors based on simulators, monitor & controllers based on monitors, in fact any of the latter ones in the software product family list as based on any of the earlier ones. We have sketched temporal relations between simulation traces and domain behaviours: *a priori*, *a posteriori*, *macroscopic* and *microscopic*, and we have identified the real-time cases which lead on to monitors and monitor & controllers.

9.3.2 What Have We Not Achieved — Some Conjectures

We have not characterised the software product family relations other than by the $\mathbb{D}, \mathbb{M} \models \mathbb{R}$ and $(\mathbb{D}; \mathbb{M}_{XYZ}), \mathbb{M} \models \mathbb{R}$ clauses. That is, we should like to prove conjectured type theoretic inclusion relations like:

$$\wp(\llbracket \mathcal{M}_{x_{\text{mod ext.}}} \rrbracket) \supseteq \wp(\llbracket \mathcal{M}_{x_{\text{mod ext.}}}^{\prime} \rrbracket), \quad \wp(\llbracket \mathcal{M}_{x_{\text{mod ext.}}}^{\prime} \rrbracket) \supseteq \wp(\llbracket \mathcal{M}_{x_{\text{mod ext.}}}^{\prime\prime} \rrbracket)$$

where x and y range appropriately, where $\llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket$ expresses the meaning of \mathcal{M} , where $\wp(\llbracket \mathcal{M} \rrbracket)$ denote the space of all machine meanings and where $\wp(\llbracket \mathcal{M}_{x_{\text{mod ext.}}} \rrbracket)$ is intended to denote that space modulo (“free of”) the y facet (here *ext.*, for extension).

That is, it is conjectured that the set of more specialised, i.e., n primed, machines of kind x is type theoretically “contained” in the set of m primed (unprimed) x machines ($0 \leq m < n$).

There are undoubtedly many such interesting relations between the DEMO, SIMULATOR, MONITOR and MONITOR & CONTROLLER machines, unprimed and primed.

9.3.3 What Should We Do Next ?

This chapter has the subtitle: *A Divertimento of Ideas and Suggestions*. It is not a proper theoretical chapter. It tries to throw some light on families and varieties of software, i.e., their relations. It focuses, in particular, on so-called DEMO, SIMULATOR, MONITOR and MONITOR & CONTROLLER software and their relation to the “originating” domain, i.e., that in which such software is to serve, and hence that which is being *extended* by such software, cf. the compounded ‘domain’ $(\mathbb{D}; \mathbb{M}_i)$ of in $(\mathbb{D}; \mathbb{M}_i), \mathbb{M}_j \models \mathbb{D}$. These notions should be studied formally. All of these notions: requirements projection, instantiation, determination and extension can be formalised. The specification language, in the form used here (without CSP processes, [238]) has a formal semantics and a proof system So the various notions of development, $(\mathbb{D}; \mathbb{M}_i), \mathbb{M}_j \models \mathbb{R}$ and $\wp(\mathbb{M})$ can be formalised.

WINDING UP

We briefly (i) summarise key concepts of the intrinsics of domain analysis & description, domain facets, requirements engineering; (ii) put forward a number of diverse observations; (iii) and finally quote Tony Hoare’s observations on domain engineering.

10.1 Programming Languages and Domains

In the quest for precise understanding of programming languages one studies formal syntax and formal semantics for and of these. A programming language is a ‘language’ “spoken” by and “written in” by programmers. The *domain analysis & description* that we have here pursued has been done so in a quest to understand the language spoken amongst professionals of the domain being modelled. In that sense the two endeavours ‘parallel’. The IBM Vienna Labor, from around the mid 1960s to a little beyond the mid 1970s, was a unique center for the study and practice of programming language semantics. One early achievement is reflected in the first conference on *Formal Language Description Languages* [350]. Subsequent achievements were [23, 24, 25, 22]. This author was only there for a short period of two years, 1973–1975. They have determined, to this day, my professional, scientific and engineering focus and direction. I am deeply indebted to colleagues such as the late *Peter Lucas*, to *Kurt Walk*, and to *Cliff Jones*.

10.2 Summary of Chapters 3–6

We refer to the main, the full enduring/perdurant ontology, diagram, Fig. 3.1 on Page 44.

Now re-explain what is going on, method-wise, with respect to that diagram, including how the internal qualities glue it all together.

10.2.1 Chapter 3: External Qualities

The left side of the diagram, labeled *external qualities*, takes up a sizable area of the whole. It designates our tackling the analysis of the external qualities of endurants first. The aim of that analysis is to uncover the entire collection of all observable endurants of a domain. One does so by asking questions of inspected entities as suggested by the analysis prompts. And when this analysis end up with

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| • atomic, | • part-materials, | • part-parts conjoins and |
| • composite, | • material-parts, | • material |

endurants, one applies a description prompt and starts all over again with analysis and description till all endurants have been external quality-analysed and described, and one is ready to analyse & describe internal qualities.

10.2.2 Chapter 4: Internal Qualities

The bottom side of Fig. 3.1 on Page 44, labeled *internal qualities*, takes up a not so visible area of the whole. But it reflects every bit as an important aspect of domain science & engineering. It designates our tackling the analysis of the internal qualities of endurants in the order *unique identifiers*, *mereologies* and *attributes* in the order, “strictly” (!). The internal qualities is what gives “meaning” to endurants.

10.2.3 Chapter 5: Transcendentality

Transcendentality represents a new way of looking at domain description. Before, we claim, there were endurants and perdurants; with no “obvious connection”. Now, we claim, perdurants are transcendently related to endurants; and strongly so.

10.2.4 Chapter 6: Perdurants

The deduction of behaviours from parts marks a major contribution of *domain analysis & description*. The deduction of behaviour signature and definition elements such as *channels* from *mereologies*, *values* from *static attributes*, *state variables* in the form of “update-able” *parameters* from *programmable attributes*, and *part variables* and their access (and possible update) from other *dynamic attributes*, marks another contribution of *domain analysis & description*.

10.3 A Final Summary of Triptych Concepts

The “near exhaustive” summary listings that now follow serve the purpose of reminding the reader of the rather large, perhaps even “exhausting” set of new terms, each to be appropriated thoroughly and now applied!

10.3.1 The Intrinsic of Domain Analysis & Description

This is a summary of the calculi of Chapters 3–6. There are the following issues to be dealt with in an analysis & description of the intrinsic of domain analysis & description, and in the transcendental deduction of parts into behaviours.

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| • External qualities: | Chapter 3, pp. 39–42 |
| ∞ The Analysis Prompts: | |
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| ∞ Endurants and Perdurants | Sect. 3.6, pp. 47–48 |
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| ∞ Physical Parts: Natural Parts and Artefacts | Sect. 3.9, pp. 51–52 |
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| ∞ Physical Parts: Living Species – Plants and Animals | Sect. 3.11, pp. 53–54 |
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| ∞ Attributes | Sect. 4.4, pp. 95–111 |
| ∞ Intentionality | Sect. 4.5, pp. 112–115 |
| • Transcendental Deduction | Chapter 5, pp. 125–126 |

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⊗ Perdurant Signatures	Sect. 6.6, pp. 138–142
⊗ Discrete Behaviour Signatures	Sect. 6.7, pp. 142–147
⊗ Discrete Behaviour Definitions	Sect. 6.3.4, pp. 129–154
⊗ Discrete Actions	Sect. 6.10, pp. 154–157
⊗ Discrete Events	Sect. 6.11, pp. 157–158

10.3.2 Domain Facets

This is a summary of Chapter 7. We have not put forward any kind of calculi for the analysis & description of domain facets; the facets have emerged empirically.

• Domain Facets:	Chapter 7 , pp. 165–166
⊗ Intrinsic	Sect. 7.2, pp. 166–169
⊗ Support Technologies	Sect. 7.3, pp. 169–173
⊗ Rules & Regulations	Sect. 7.4, pp. 173–175
⊗ Scripts	Sect. 7.5, pp. 175–177
⊗ License Languages	Sect. 7.6, pp. 177–186
⊗ Management & Organisation	Sect. 7.7, pp. 186–190
⊗ Human Behaviour	Sect. 7.8, pp. 190–192

10.3.3 Requirements

This is a summary of Chapter 8. There are the following issues to be dealt with when using this monograph’s approach to requirements engineering.

• Requirements	Chapter 8 , pp. 199–200, pp. 210–214
⊗ Domain Requirements	Sect. 8.4, pp. 214–214
⊗ Domain Projection	Sect. 8.4.1, pp. 215–218
⊗ Domain Instantiation	Sect. 8.4.2, pp. 218–221
⊗ Domain Determination	Sect. 8.4.3, pp. 221–223
⊗ Domain Extension	Sect. 8.4.4, pp. 223–230
⊗ Requirements Fitting	Sect. 8.4.5, pp. 230–230
⊗ Interface and Derived Requirements	Sect. 8.5, pp. 231–239
⊗ Machine Requirements	Sect. 8.6, pp. 240–240

The 10 page example of Sect. 8.2 (pp. 200–209), is “only” a backdrop for the examples of the specific requirements sections; as such it does not reveal any requirements issues.

10.4 Systems Development

We see *computing systems development* as comprising the development of *hardware* and *software*. For software that comprises the development of, or reliance on existing, appropriate *domain descriptions*; the development of *requirements prescriptions* based on these domain models – including but not shown in this monograph, the analysis and prescription of unchanged or changed **business processes** also known as *business process re-engineering* [198, 197, 244, 250]. In the context of formal requirements development we refer to [41, Sect. 19.3: *Business Process Reengineering Requirements*]. There is a whole new dimension, we claim, to *business process engineering and re-engineering* (BPE&BPR) in the light of *domain analysis & description*. Yes, we suggest that someone reviews the possible foundation for BPE&BPR.

10.5 On How to Conduct a Domain Analysis & Description Project

We have established a scientific & engineering discipline of domain analysis & description, part II, and of domain requirements, Chapter 8. We have shown, in the very many examples of this monograph and in quite a collection of experimental studies [80], that that discipline can be applied; but can it be applied just because the reader has now studied that discipline? What is not covered in this monograph is the practical aspects of carrying out the “theory & practice” of constructing domain models. We shall, in itemized form, suggest an approach that we have applied for over 50 years, since the 1973–1975 PL/I compiler project at the IBM Vienna Laboratory; in the CHILL [193] and Ada [91, 92, 127, 300] compiler development projects at The Dansk Datamatik Center, DDC in the 1980s and more.

- It is assumed that you have a team of, for example, 5–7 professional software engineers, persons well-versed¹ in the concepts and method of for example [39, 40, 41] as well, now, of this monograph.
- First you set aside a month-long, preliminary **study** of the domain at hand: not a study where you neither analyse nor describe the domain, just a simple literature study, using, for example also the Internet.
- Then you conduct, say over a three month period, an **experimental** domain analysis & description.
 - ∞ One purpose of this experiment is to test whether an assumed set of analysis & description prompts “will do the trick”, or whether the project must revise the upper ontology for that domain.
 - ∞ Another purpose is to structure the project group. During the experiment some first thoughts on major endurants should emerge – and the project group structured accordingly: one project member per major, often composite, part to be responsible for all aspects of the analysis & description of that part – and its composites. On a rotating shift basis other project members shall act as reviewers of each others’ work.
- Then the project can enter its **application** stage.²
 - ∞ The *external qualities* step of the domain analysis & description mainly consists of the Endurant Observers, Sect. 3.16 step. It is the first serious step. It is to be followed by the next steps in strict order.
 - ∞ The *unique identifier* step, Sect. 4.2, in which unique identifiers for all relevant endurant categories are settled.
 - ∞ The *mereology* step, Sect. 4.3, in which the mereology for all relevant endurant categories are settled. This is a crucial step. Care must be taken. This step requires intensive interaction between project members. We advice that each project member “play around” with mereology invariants.
 - ∞ The *attributes* step, Sect. 4.4, in which attributes for all relevant endurant categories are settled. This step is less interaction-intensive – although those attributes which shall later form the basis for work on intentionalities do require some interaction.
 - ∞ The *intentionality* step, Sect. 4.5, has an as yet not fully understood element of engineering research. It completes the first iteration of work on *internal qualities*.
 - ∞ The first iteration of work on both *external* and *internal qualities* will usually be followed by several further such iterations – in between the next steps.
 - ∞ These next steps are those of *transcendental deductive* work on *perdurants* – also to be pursued in “strict order”.
 - ∞ In the *states* step, see Sect. 6.2, we **value** define states of all invariants,
 - ∞ In the *channels and communication*, see Sect. 6.5,
 - ∞ In the *perdurant signatures*, Sect. 6.6,
 - ∞ In the *discrete behaviour definitions*, see Sect. 6.3.4,
 - ∞ In the *discrete action behaviour definitions*, see Sect. 6.10,
 - ∞ In the *discrete event behaviour definitions*, see Sect. 6.11,

¹ That is: they have a reasonably qualified knowledge of this monograph, can apply this knowledge, have a reasonably qualified knowledge of discrete mathematics, of mathematical logic for computing scientists, formal methods, functional, logic, imperative and parallel programming, and posses both analytic skills and master their mother tongue and English, if it is not their mother tongue.

² We refer to this **study, experiment, apply** triplet as **SEA**.

- ∞ And in a final *channel message type* step we secure that all channel declarations and messages are properly typed.
- Work on the above phases and steps form a major part of domain analysis & description projects.

10.6 On Domain Specific Languages

Definition: 95 Domain Specific Language: A **domain specific language** is a language whose semantic domains are analysed & described in a *domain analysis & description* ■

The semantic domains of a formal language are the types of the meaning of that language's combinators, operators, etc.

That is, to define a domain specific language, a DSL, we need first analyse & describe that domain in sufficient generality; then identify such core combinators and operators on which to base a language design. We refer to Sect. 7.6.3 for examples of fragments of DSLs.

The literature on DSL is, to us, large and confused, so we omit bringing references. We did, however, bring an analysis of some of the DSL in [70, Sect. 5.3.1 item 5].

10.7 Some Concluding Observations

We dispense of a few observations.

10.7.0.0.0.1 Fuzzy Characterisations and Definitions: The delineations between 'principles' (Item 43 on Page 7), 'techniques' (Item 44 on Page 7), and 'tools' (Item 45 on Page 7) are not fully satisfactory. We have, however, maintained and, as best we could, followed our definition of 'method'. In the various chapters method summary sections we have then, by example, exemplified these three, the *principle*, the *technique* and the *tool* definitions. More generally we distinguish between a definition and a characterisation, and between formal and informal definitions. The definitions of all analysis and description prompts were informal. There is not much else we could have done. The target of the domain analysis & description inquiry is, by necessity, informal in the sense that there are no a priori established domain theories — unlike when computer scientists inquire of their “domain” the computing devices, algorithms, languages for which they have, or do set up precise mathematical models, at their own will.

10.7.0.0.0.2 Narration versus Formalisation: The narration and formalisation paradigm exhibits the characterisation, informal and formal definition issue mentioned just above. To make narratives precise seems to be an art. There is an interplay between the processes of narration and formalisation. A good outcome is achieved when a beautiful formalisation helps make the narrative precise and beautiful.

10.7.0.0.0.3 Modularisation: By a text module we shall, informally mean a clearly delineated text which denotes a simple complex quantity such as an enduring part with all its external and internal qualities and the corresponding perdurant behaviour. So far our domain specifications have been one big, “flat unstructured” list of **type** and **value definitions**, and **channel** and **variable declarations**. We could have availed ourselves of RSL's **schema**, **class** and **object** text structuring facility. But, except for one example, Example 87 on Page 166, we have not!

10.8 Tony Hoare's Reaction to 'Domain Modelling'

We close this monograph as we opened it: As the first item of this monograph Item 1 on Page 3, we quoted Tony Hoare. It is likewise fitting to bring as final text also a quote from his hand. In a 2006 e-mail, in response, undoubtedly to my steadfast – perhaps conceived as stubborn – insistence, on domain engineering, Tony Hoare summed up his reaction to domain engineering as follows, and I quote³:

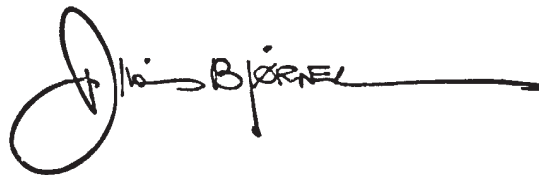
*“There are many unique contributions that **can be made by** domain modelling.*

³ E-Mail to Dines Bjørner, July 19, 2006

- *The models describe all aspects of the real world that are relevant for any good software design in the area. They describe possible places to define the system boundary for any particular project.*
- *They make explicit the preconditions about the real world that have to be made in any embedded software design, especially one that is going to be formally proved.*
- *They describe the whole range of possible designs for the software, and the whole range of technologies available for its realisation.*
- *They provide a framework for a full analysis of requirements, which is wholly independent of the technology of implementation.*
- *They enumerate and analyse the decisions that must be taken earlier or later in any design project, and identify those that are independent and those that conflict. Late discovery of feature interactions can be avoided.”*

Whether they **will be made** — these contributions — is up to reader !

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APPENDICES

Appendix: A PIPELINES DOMAIN – ENDURANTS

In this appendix we present an example description of the endurants of a domain of pipelines. Thus the example illustrates major aspects of a domain of conjoins. The various sections slavishly follow the steps of domain analyser & describer: endurants, Sect. A.1 unique identifiers, Sect. A.2 mereologies, Sect. A.3 attributes. Sect. A.4

A.1 Parts and Material

A.1.1 Flow Net Parts

The concept of a flow net¹ is illustrated in, for example, oil *pipelines*. See Figure A.1.

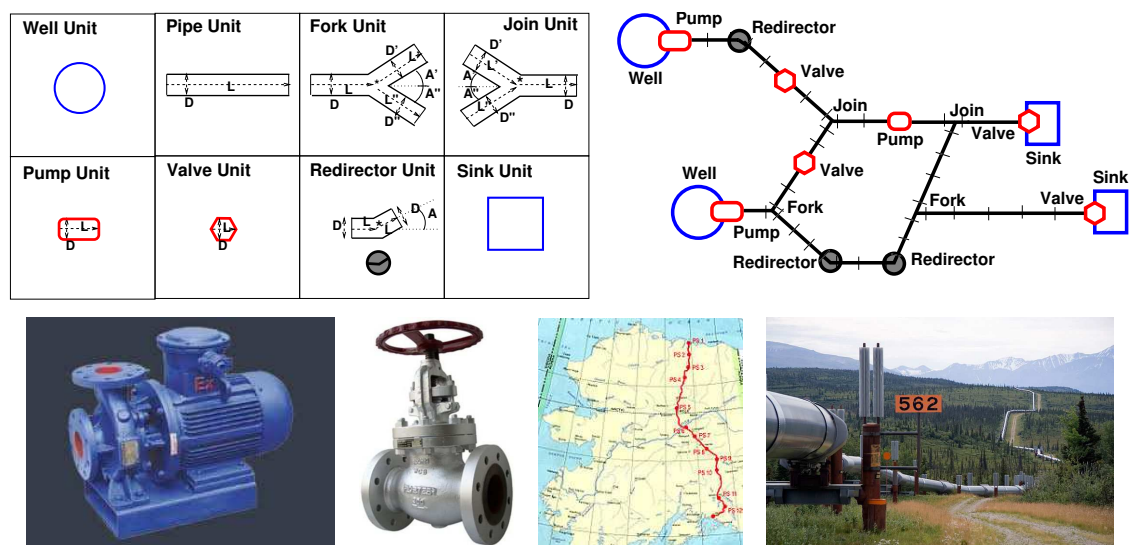


Fig. A.1. Top row: oil unit graphics; diagram of a simple oil pipeline. Bottom row: a pump; a valve; map of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System (TAPS); photo of TAPS.

A.1.1.1 Narrative

501 There is the pipeline system $pl:PL$.

From a pipeline system we choose to observe a pipeline aggregate of conjoined pipe elements, `pla:PLA`.

¹ – of conjoined parts and materials

503 The pipeline aggregate of conjoined pipe elements is modelled here as a set of conjoined pipe elements, cps:CPs.

By a conjoined pipe element, pe:PE, we here mean

504 the conjoined pipe element, i.e., pe:PE,
from which we choose to observe

505 one material, m:M, here the oil.

A conjoined pipe element², 504, is either a

506 a well (a volume from which material is pumped),

507 a pump (which moves the fluids, (m:M), by mechanical action),

508 a pipe (along which material can move),

509 a valve (which is either fully open, or fully closed, or at some position in-between thus facilitating to a full degree or some partial degree, or hinder the flow of, in this case, oil),

510 a fork (which “diverts” [in this example] a single flow into two flows),

511 a join (which “merges” [in this example] two flows into a single flow), or

512 a sink (a volume into which material is “spilled”).

A.1.1.2 Formalisation

type

501. PL

502. PLA

503. cPEs = PE-set

504. PE == We|Pu|Pi|Va|Fo|Jo|Si

505. M

506. We :: Well

507. Pu :: Pump

508. Pi :: Pipe

509. Va :: Valve

510. Fo :: Fork

511. Jo :: Join

512. Si :: Sink

type

502. obs_PLA: PL → PLA

503. obs_cPEs: PLA → cPEs

505. obs_M: PE → M

A.1.2 Pipeline States

A.1.2.1 Narrative

513 Given a pipeline, pl:PL, we can calculate the set of all its pipe elements.

A.1.2.2 Formalisation

value

513. all_pipeline_units: PL → PE-set

513. all_pipeline_units(pl) ≡ obs_cPEs(obs_PLS(pl))

A.2 Unique Identifiers

514 There is a set of identifiers, UI.

515 Each pipe unit is endowed with such an identifier.

516 All such identifiers of pipe elements of a pipeline are distinct, i.e., unique: no two pipe elements are endowed with identical such identifiers.

² We ignore *join-fork* and *redirect* units.

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type
514. UI
value
515. uid_PE: PE → UI
axiom
516.  $\forall pl:PL \cdot$ 
516.  $\forall pe_i, pe_j:PE \cdot$ 
516.  $\{pe_i, pe_j\} \in all\_pipeline\_units(pl)$ 
516.  $\Rightarrow pe_i \neq pe_j \equiv uid\_PE(pe_i) \neq uid\_PE(pe_j)$ 

```

A.3 Mereologies

A.3.1 The Pipeline Unit Mereology

Pipeline units serve to conduct fluid or gaseous material. The flow of these occur in only one direction: from so-called input to so-called output.

- 517 Wells have exactly one connection to an output unit.
- 518 Pipes, pumps, valves and redirectors have exactly one connection from an input unit and one connection to an output unit.
- 519 Forks have exactly one connection from an input unit and exactly two connections to distinct output units.
- 520 Joins have exactly two connections from distinct input units and one connection to an output unit.
- 521 Sinks have exactly one connection from an input unit.
- 522 Thus we model the mereology of a pipeline unit as a pair of disjoint sets of unique pipeline unit identifiers.

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type
522  $PM' = (UI\_set \times UI\_set)$ ,  $PM = \{(iuis, ouis) : PM' \cdot iuis \cap ouis = \{\}\}$ 
value
522 mereo_PE: PE → PM

```

A.3.2 Partial Wellformedness of Pipelines, 0

The well-formedness inherent in narrative lines 517–521 are formalised:

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axiom [Well-formedness of Pipeline Systems, PL (0)]
 $\forall pl:PL, pe:PE \cdot pe \in all\_pipeline\_units(pl) \Rightarrow$ 
  let  $(iuis, ouis) = mereo\_PE(pe)$  in
    case  $(card\ iuis, card\ ouis)$  of
517    $(0, 1) \rightarrow is\_We(pe),$ 
518    $(1, 1) \rightarrow is\_Pi(pe) \vee is\_Pu(pe) \vee is\_Va(pe),$ 
519    $(1, 2) \rightarrow is\_Fo(pe),$ 
520    $(2, 1) \rightarrow is\_Jo(pe),$ 
521    $(1, 0) \rightarrow is\_Si(pe), \_ \rightarrow false$ 
  end end

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A.3.3 Partial Well-formedness of Pipelines, 1

To express full well-formedness we need express that pipeline nets are acyclic. To do so we first define a function which calculates all routes in a net.

A.3.3.1 Shared Connectors

Two pipeline units, pe_i with unique identifier π_i , and pe_j with unique identifier π_j , that are connected, such that an outlet marked π_j of p_i “feeds into” inlet marked π_i of p_j , are said to **share** the connection (modeled by, e.g., $\{(\pi_i, \pi_j)\}$)

A.3.3.2 Routes

523 The observed pipeline units of a pipeline system define a number of routes (or pipelines):

Basis Clauses:

524 The null sequence, $\langle \rangle$, of no units is a route.

525 Any one pipeline unit, pe , of a pipeline system forms a route, $\langle pe \rangle$, of length one.

Inductive Clauses:

526 Let $r_i \hat{\sim} \langle pe_i \rangle$ and $\langle pe_j \rangle \hat{\sim} r_j$ be two routes of a pipeline system.

527 Let pe_{iui} and pe_{jui} be the unique identifiers pe_i , respectively pe_j .

528 If one of the output connectors of pe_i is pe_{iui}

529 and one of the input connectors of pe_j is pe_{jui} ,

530 then $r_i \hat{\sim} \langle pe_i, pe_j \rangle \hat{\sim} r_j$ is a route of the pipeline system.

Extremal Clause:

531 Only such routes which can be formed by a finite number of applications of the clauses form a route.

type

523. $R = PE^\omega$

value

523 routes: $PL \rightarrow R$

523 routes(ps) \equiv

523 let cpes = pipeline_units(pl) in

524 let rs = $\{\langle \rangle\}$

525 $\cup \{\langle pe \rangle \mid pe:PE \cdot pe \in cpes\} \cup$

530 $\cup \{r_i \hat{\sim} \langle pe_i \rangle \hat{\sim} \langle pe_j \rangle \hat{\sim} r_j \mid pe_i, pe_j:PE \cdot \{pe_i, pe_j\} \subseteq cpes$

526 $\wedge r_i \hat{\sim} \langle pe_i \rangle, \langle pe_j \rangle \hat{\sim} r_j: R \cdot \{r_i \hat{\sim} \langle pe_i \rangle, \langle pe_j \rangle \hat{\sim} r_j\} \subseteq rs$

527,528 $\wedge pe_{iui} = uid_PE(pe_i) \wedge pe_{iui} \in xtr_oUOs(pe_i)$

527,529 $\wedge pe_{jui} = uid_PE(pe_j) \wedge pe_{jui} \in xtr_iUls(pe_j)\}$ in

531 rs end end

xtr_iUls: $PE \rightarrow UI_set$, $xtr_iUls(u) \equiv \text{let } (iuis, _) = mereo_PE(pe) \text{ in } iuis \text{ end}$

xtr_oUls: $PE \rightarrow UI_set$, $xtr_oUls(u) \equiv \text{let } (_, ouis) = mereo_PE(pe) \text{ in } ouis \text{ end}$

A.3.3.3 Wellformed Routes

532 The observed pipeline units of a pipeline system forms a net subject to the following constraints:

- a unit output connectors, if any, are connected to unit input connectors;
- b unit input connectors, if any, are connected to unit output connectors;
- c there are no cyclic routes;
- d nets has all their connectors connected, that is, “starts” with wells
- e and “ends” with sinks.

value

532. wf_Net: $PL \rightarrow Bool$

532. wf_Net(pl) \equiv

532. let cpes = all_pipeline_units{pl} in

532. $\forall pe:PE \cdot pe \in cpes \Rightarrow \text{let } (iuis, ouis) = mereo_PE(pe) \text{ in}$

532. axiom 517.–521.

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532a.  $\wedge \forall pe\_ui: UI \cdot pe\_ui \in iuis \Rightarrow$ 
532a.  $\exists pe': PE \cdot pe' \neq pe \wedge pe' isin cpes \wedge uid\_PE(pe') = pe\_ui \wedge pe\_ui \in extr\_iUls(pe')$ 
532b.  $\wedge \forall pe\_ui: UI \cdot pe\_ui \in ouis \Rightarrow$ 
532b.  $\exists pe': PE \cdot pe' \neq pe \wedge pe' isin cpes \wedge uid\_PE(pe') = pe\_ui \wedge pe\_ui \in extr\_oUls(pe')$ 
532c.  $\wedge \forall r: R \cdot r \in routes(pl) \Rightarrow$ 
532c.  $\sim \exists i, j: Nat \cdot i \neq j \wedge \{i, j\} \in inds \wedge r(i) = r(j)$ 
532d.  $\wedge \exists we: We \cdot we \in us \wedge r(1) = mkWe(we)$ 
532e.  $\wedge \exists si: Si \cdot si \in us \wedge r(len\ r) = mkSi(si)$ 
523. end end

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A.4 Attributes

We speak of four kinds of attributes: **Geometric Unit Attributes**, **Spatial Unit Attributes**, **Unit Action Attributes** and **Flow Attributes**.

A.4.1 Geometric Unit Attributes

- 533 Common static unit attributes are Diameters and Lengths.
- 534 Well units have one output “Diameter”; pipe, Valve, Pump and Redirector units have Diameter; and Sink units have one input “Diameter”.
- 535 Pipe, valve and pumps units have Length.
- 536 Fork units have one input Diameter, two output Diameters: iD , oD_1 , oD_2 , and Lengths from input to a fork center, and from that to the two outputs: iL , oL_1 , oL_2 .
- 537 Join units have the “reverse”: one output Diameter, two input Diameters: oD , iD_1 , iD_2 , and Lengths from the two inputs to a join center, and from that to the single output: iL_1 , iL_2 , oL .
- 538 Redirector units have Lengths from the input to a “center” (where the unit redirection can be said to be “centered”), and from that center to the output: iL , oL .

type

533. D, L

value

534. $attr_D: (We|Pi|Va|Pu|Rd|Si) \rightarrow D$

535. $attr_L: (Pi|Va|Pu) \rightarrow L$

536. $attr_Ds: Fo \rightarrow (D \times (D \times D))$

536. $attr_Ls: Fo \rightarrow (L \times (L \times L))$

537. $attr_Ds: Jo \rightarrow ((D \times D) \times D)$

537. $attr_Ls: Jo \rightarrow ((L \times L) \times L)$

538. $attr_Ls: Rd \rightarrow L \times L$

We omit detailing the angles with which the two segments emanate from the input segment of fork, the two segments are incident upon the put segment of a join, and a redirector deviates the output segment from its input segment. The oil unit graphics of Fig. A.1 hints at these angles.

A.4.2 Spatial Unit Attributes

Pipelines are laid down in flat and hilly, even mountainous terrains. Any one pipeline unit has spatial locations. We shall refrain from detailing (let alone formalising) the spatial attributes of units. But we can suggest the following: Every unit has some *spatial* attributes: As material flow in units is one-directional we can associate with any unit a unique **point**. With pumps, valves, forks and joins we may associate that point with “the middle, center” of the unit. With wells and sinks we may associate that point with the point of the well, respectively the sink, where oil is delivered, respectively accepted from the pipeline. With pipes we suggest to associate that point with the mid-point, “halfway along the pipe”. Similarly we can

associate a **length** with some units. Pumps, valves, forks and joins we suggest to have length 0. So only pipes have lengths. We suggest that the length of a pipe is the actual, perhaps, curved, length between its two end-points. We bring this example as an illustration of the use of analysis and description prompts, and not as an example of a full-fledged pipeline domain description, we shall refrain from systematically narrating and formalising these spatial unit attributes and the consequences of doing so³.

A.4.3 Unit Action Attributes

539 Valve units are either 100% open, or 100% closed.⁴

540 Pump units are either pumping, or not_pumping.⁵

type

539. OC == "open" | "closed"

540. PS == "pumping" | "not_pumping"

value

539. attr_OC: Va \rightarrow OC

540. attr_PS: Pu \rightarrow PS

A.4.4 Flow Attributes

A.4.4.1 Flows and Leaks

We now wish to examine the flow of liquid (or gaseous) material in pipeline units. So we postulate a unit attribute Flow. We use two types

541 **type** Flow, Leak = Flow.

Productive flow, Flow, and wasteful leak, Leak, is measured, for example, in terms of volume of material per second. We then postulate the following unit attributes “measured” at the point of in- or out-flow or in the interior of a unit.

542 current flow of material into a unit input connector,

543 maximum flow of material into a unit input connector while maintaining laminar flow,

544 current flow of material out of a unit output connector,

545 maximum flow of material out of a unit output connector while maintaining laminar flow,

546 current leak of material at a unit input connector,

547 maximum guaranteed leak of material at a unit input connector,

548 current leak of material at a unit input connector,

549 maximum guaranteed leak of material at a unit input connector,

550 current leak of material from “within” a unit, and

551 maximum guaranteed leak of material from “within” a unit.

type

541 Flow, Leak = Flow

value

542 attr_cur_iFlow: PE \rightarrow UI \rightarrow Flow

543 attr_max_iFlow: PE \rightarrow UI \rightarrow Flow

544 attr_cur_oFlow: PE \rightarrow UI \rightarrow Flow

545 attr_max_oFlow: PE \rightarrow UI \rightarrow Flow

546 attr_cur_iLeak: PE \rightarrow UI \rightarrow Leak

547 attr_max_iLeak: PE \rightarrow UI \rightarrow Leak

³ The ‘consequences’ alluded to are those of the spatial well-formedness of pipelines.

⁴ Without loss of generality we do not model fractional open/closed status.

⁵ Without loss of generality we do not model fractional pumping status.


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548 attr_cur_oLeak: PE → UI → Leak
549 attr_max_oLeak: PE → UI → Leak
550 attr_cur_Leak: PE → Leak
551 attr_max_Leak: PE → Leak

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The maximum flow attributes are static attributes and are typically provided by the manufacturer as indicators of flows below which laminar flow can be expected. The current flow attributes may be considered either reactive or biddable attributes.

It may be difficult or costly, or both, to ascertain flows and leaks in materials-based domains. But one can certainly speak of these concepts. This casts new light on *domain modeling*. That is in contrast to incorporating such notions of flows and leaks in *requirements modeling* where one has to show implementability. Modeling flows and leaks is important to the modeling of materials-based domains.

552 For every unit of a pipeline system, except the well and the sink units, the following law apply.

553 The flows into a unit equal

- a the leak at the inputs
- b plus the leak within the unit
- c plus the flows out of the unit
- d plus the leaks at the outputs.

axiom [Well-formedness of Pipeline Systems, PL (2)]

```

552 ∀ pl:PL,b:B\We\Si,pe:PE •
552   b ∈ mereo_Bs(pl) ∧ u = mereo_(b) ⇒
552   let (iuis,ouis) = mereo_PE(pe) in
553   sum_cur_iF(u)(iuis) =
553a   sum_cur_iL(u)(iuis)
553b   ⊕ attr_cur_Leak(pe)
553c   ⊕ sum_cur_oFlow(pe)(ouis)
553d   ⊕ sum_cur_oLeak(pe)(ouis)
552   end

```

A.4.4.2 Intra Unit Flow and Leak Law

554 The `sum_cur_iFlow` (cf. Item 553) sums current input flows over all input connectors.
555 The `sum_cur_iLeak` (cf. Item 553a) sums current input leaks over all input connectors.
556 The `sum_cur_oFlow` (cf. Item 553c) sums current output flows over all output connectors.
557 The `sum_cur_oLeak` (cf. Item 553d) sums current output leaks over all output connectors.

```

554 sum_cur_iFlow: PE → UI-set → Flow
554 sum_cur_iFlow(u)(iuis) ≡ ⊕ {attr_cur_iFlow(u)(ui)|ui:UI•ui ∈ iuis}
555 sum_cur_iLeak: PE → UI-set → Leak
555 sum_cur_iLeak(u)(iuis) ≡ ⊕ {attr_cur_iLeak(u)(ui)|ui:UI•ui ∈ iuis}
556 sum_cur_oFlow: PE → UI-set → Flow
556 sum_cur_oFlow(u)(ouis) ≡ ⊕ {attr_cur_oFlow(u)(ui)|ui:UI•ui ∈ ouis}
557 sum_cur_oLeak: PE → UI-set → Leak
557 sum_cur_oLeak(u)(ouis) ≡ ⊕ {attr_cur_oLeak(u)(ui)|ui:UI•ui ∈ ouis}
   ⊕: (Flow|Leak) × (Flow|Leak) → Flow

```

where \oplus is both an infix and a distributed-fix function which adds flows and or leaks ■

A.4.4.3 Inter Unit Flow and Leak Law

558 For every pair of connected units of a pipeline system the following law apply:

- a the flow out of a unit directed at another unit minus the leak at that output connector

b equals the flow into that other unit at the connector from the given unit plus the leak at that connector.

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axiom [Well-formedness of Pipelines, PL (3)]
558   $\forall pl:PL, pe, pe':PE \cdot$ 
558     $\{pe, pe'\} \subseteq all\_pipeline\_units(pl)$ 
558     $\wedge pe \neq pe'$ 
558     $\wedge \text{let } (iuis, ouis) = mereo\_PE(pe), (iuis', ouis') = mereo\_PE(pe'),$ 
558       $ui = uid\_PE(pe), ui' = mereo\_PE(pe')$  in
558       $ui \in iuis \wedge ui' \in ouis' \Rightarrow$ 
558a       $attr\_cur\_oFlow(pe')(ui') - attr\_leak\_oFlow(pe')(ui')$ 
558b       $= attr\_cur\_iFlow(pe)(ui) + attr\_leak\_iFlow(pe)(ui)$ 
558    end
558  comment: b' precedes b

```

From the above two laws one can prove the **theorem**: what is pumped from the wells equals what is leaked from the systems plus what is output to the sinks.

B

MEREOLGY, A MODEL

We first present informal examples of mereologies. Then an axiom system for mereology. Then a model of mereology. And finally we sketch a proof that the model satisfies the axioms.

B.1 Examples of Illustrating Aspects of Mereology

We present six examples of systems illustrating the concept of mereology.

B.1.1 Air Traffic

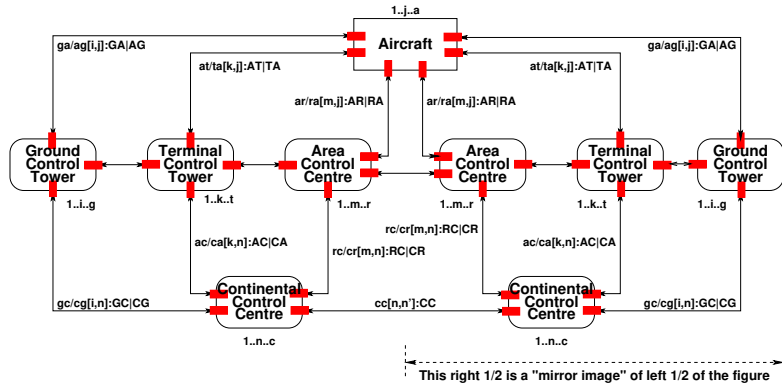


Fig. B.1. A schematic air traffic system

Figure B.1 shows nine adjacent (9) boxes and eighteen adjacent (18) lines. Boxes and lines are parts. The line parts “neighbours” the box parts they “connect”. Individually boxes and lines represent adjacent parts of the composite air traffic “whole”. The rounded corner boxes denote buildings. The sharp corner boxes denote aircraft. Lines denote radio telecommunication. The “overlap” between neighbouring line and box parts are indicated by “connectors”. Connectors are shown as small filled, narrow, either horizontal or vertical “filled” rectangle¹ at both ends of the double-headed-arrows lines, overlapping both the line arrows and the boxes. The index ranges shown attached to, i.e., labeling each unit, shall indicate that there are a multiple of the “single” (thus representative) box or line unit shown. These index annotations are what makes the diagram of Fig. B.1 schematic. Notice that the ‘box’ parts are fixed installations and that the double-headed arrows designate the ether where radio waves may propagate. We could, for example,

¹ There are 36 such rectangles in Fig. B.1.

assume that each such line is characterised by a combination of location and (possibly encrypted) radio communication frequency. That would allow us to consider all lines for not overlapping. And if they were overlapping, then that must have been a decision of the air traffic system.

B.1.2 Buildings

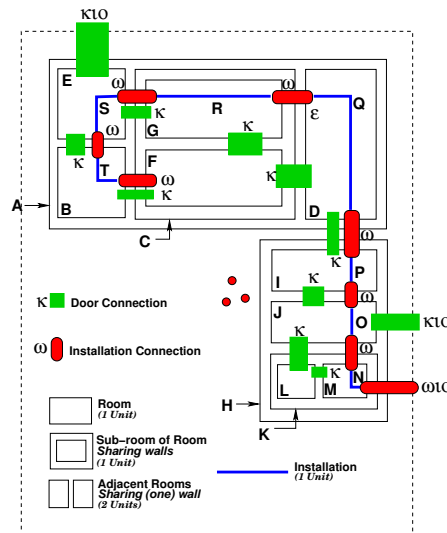


Fig. B.2. A building plan with installation

Figure B.2 shows a building plan — as a composite part. The building consists of two buildings, A and H. The buildings A and H are neighbours, i.e., shares a common wall. Building A has rooms B, C, D and E, Building H has rooms I, J and K; Rooms L and M are within K. Rooms F and G are within C. The thick lines labeled N, O, P, Q, R, S, and T models either electric cabling, water supply, air conditioning, or some such “flow” of gases or liquids. Connection $\kappa\iota o$ provides means of a connection between an environment, shown by dashed lines, and B or J, i.e. “models”, for example, a door. Connections κ provides “access” between neighbouring rooms. Note that ‘neighbouring’ is a transitive relation. Connection $\omega\iota o$ allows electricity (or water, or oil) to be conducted between an environment and a room. Connection ω allows electricity (or water, or oil) to be conducted through a wall. Et cetera. Thus “the whole” consists of A and H. Immediate sub-parts of A are B, C, D and E. Immediate sub parts of C are G and F. Et cetera.

B.1.3 A Financial Service Industry

Figure B.3 on the next page is rather rough-sketchy! It shows seven (7) larger boxes [6 of which are shown by dashed lines], six [6] thin lined “distribution” boxes, and twelve (12) double-arrowed lines. Boxes and lines are parts. (We do not described what is meant by “distribution”.) Where double-arrowed lines touch upon (dashed) boxes we have connections. Six (6) of the boxes, the dashed line boxes, are composite parts, five (5) of them consisting of a variable number of atomic parts; five (5) are here shown as having three atomic parts each with bullets “between” them to designate “variability”. Clients, not shown, access the outermost (and hence the “innermost” boxes, but the latter is not shown) through connections, shown by bullets, •.

B.1.4 Machine Assemblies

Figure B.4 on the facing page shows a machine assembly. Square boxes designate either composite or atomic parts. Black circles or ovals show connections. The full, i.e., the level 0, composite part consists

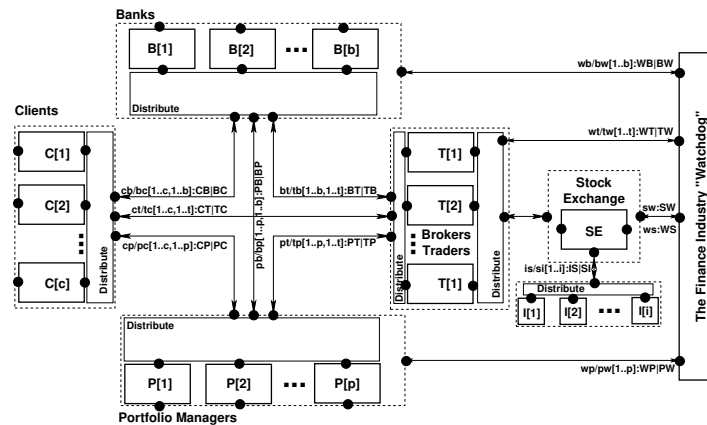


Fig. B.3. A Financial Service Industry

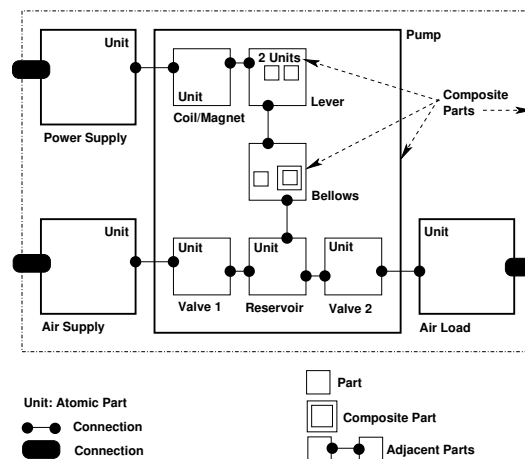


Fig. B.4. An air pump, i.e., a physical mechanical system

of four immediate parts and three internal and three external connections. The Pump is an assembly of six (6) immediate parts, five (5) internal connections and three (3) external connectors. Et cetera. Some connections afford “transmission” of electrical power. Other connections convey torque. Two connections convey input air, respectively output air.

B.1.5 Oil Industry

B.1.5.1 “The” Overall Assembly

Figure B.5 on the next page shows a composite part consisting of fourteen (14) composite parts, left-to-right: one oil field, a crude oil pipeline system, two refineries and one, say, gasoline distribution network, two seaports, an ocean (with oil and ethanol tankers and their sea lanes), three (more) seaports, and three, say gasoline and ethanol distribution networks. Between all of the neighbouring composite parts there are connections, and from some of these composite parts there are connections (to an external environment). The crude oil pipeline system composite part will be concretised next.

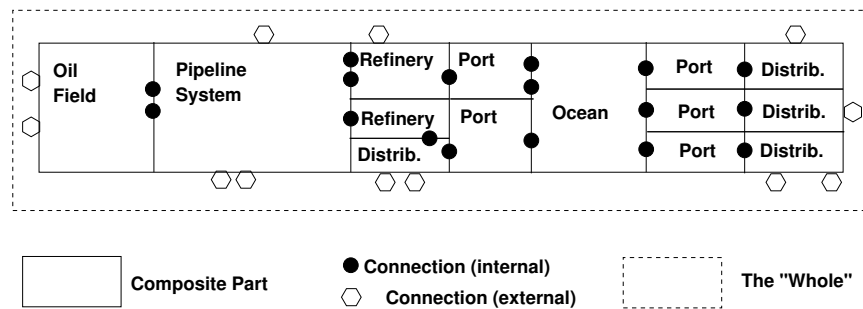


Fig. B.5. A Schematic of an Oil Industry

B.1.5.2 A Concretised Composite Pipeline

Figure B.6 shows a pipeline system. It consists of 32 atomic parts: fifteen (15) pipe units (shown as directed arrows and labeled p_1 – p_{15}), four (4) input node units (shown as small circles, \circ , and labeled ini – inl), four (4) flow pump units (shown as small circles, \circ , and labeled fpa – fpd), five (5) valve units (shown as small circles, \circ , and labeled vx – vw), three (3) join units (shown as small circles, \circ , and labeled jb – jc), two (2) fork units (shown as small circles, \circ , and labeled fb – fc), one (1) combined join & fork unit (shown as small circles, \circ , and labeled $jafa$), and four (4) output node units (shown as small circles, \circ , and labeled onp – ons).

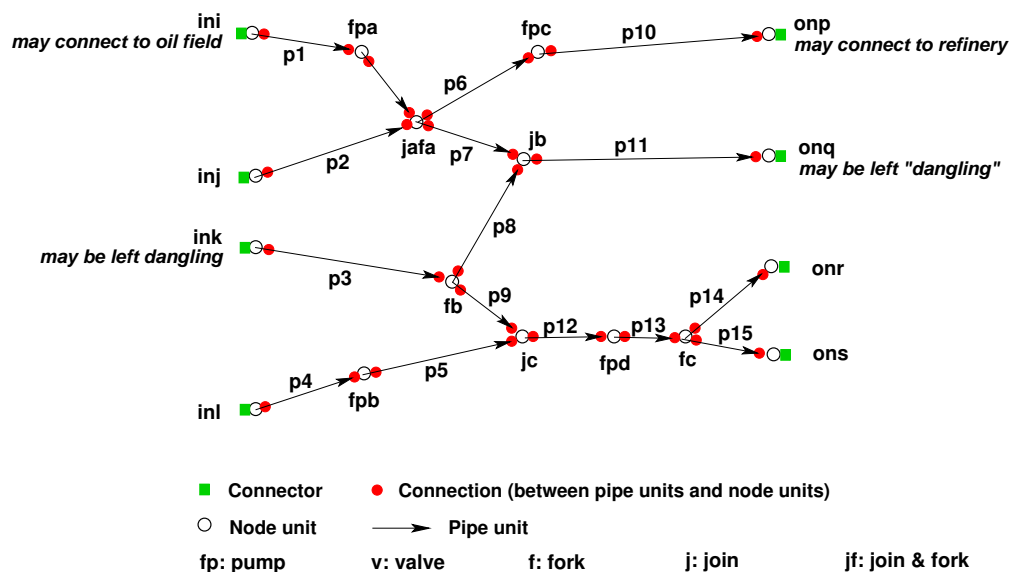


Fig. B.6. A Pipeline System

In this example the routes through the pipeline system start with node units and end with node units, alternates between node units and pipe units, and are connected as shown by fully filled-out dark coloured disc connections. Input and output nodes have input, respectively output connections, one each, and shown as lighter coloured connections. In [60] we present a description of a class of abstracted pipeline systems.

B.1.6 Railway Nets

The left of Fig. B.7 on the next page [L] diagrams four rail units, each with two, three or four connectors shown as narrow, somewhat “longish” rectangles. Multiple instances of these rail units can be assembled

(i.e., composed) by their connectors as shown on Fig. B.7 [L] into proper rail nets. The right of Fig. B.7

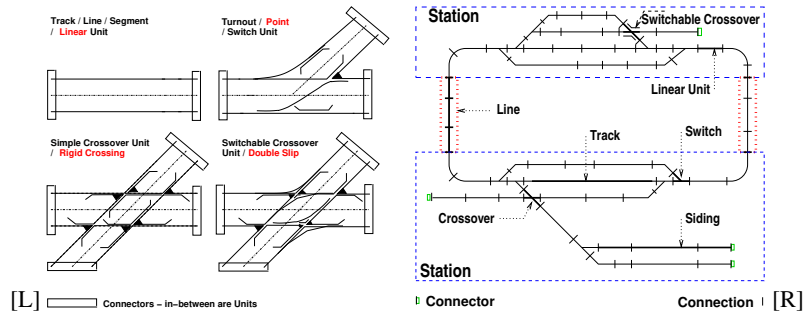


Fig. B.7. Railway Concepts. To the left: Four rail units. To the right: A “model” railway net:

An Assembly of four Assemblies: two stations and two lines.

Lines here consist of linear rail units.

Stations of all the kinds of units shown to the left.

There are 66 connections and four “dangling” connectors

[R] diagrams an example of a proper rail net. It is assembled from the kind of units shown in Fig. B.7 [L]. In Fig. B.7 [R] consider just the four dashed boxes: The dashed boxes are assembly units. Two designate stations, two designate lines (tracks) between stations. We refer to the caption four line text of Fig. B.7 for more “statistics”. We could have chosen to show, instead, for each of the four “dangling” connectors, a composition of a connection, a special “end block” rail unit and a connector.

B.1.7 Discussion

We have brought these examples only to indicate the issues of a “whole” and atomic and composite parts, adjacency, within, neighbour and overlap relations, and the ideas of attributes and connections. We shall make the notion of ‘connection’ more precise in the next section.

B.2 An Axiom System for Mereology

Classical axiom systems for mereology focus on just one sort of “things”, namely \mathcal{P} arts. Leśniewski had in mind, when setting up his mereology to have it supplant set theory. So parts could be composite and consisting of other, the sub-parts — some of which would be atomic; just as sets could consist of elements which were sets — some of which would be empty.

B.2.1 Parts and Attributes

In our axiom system for mereology we shall avail ourselves of two sorts: \mathcal{P} arts, and \mathcal{A} ttributes.²

- type \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{A}

\mathcal{A} ttributes are associated with \mathcal{P} arts. We do not say very much about attributes: We think of attributes of parts to form possibly empty sets. So we postulate a primitive predicate, \in , relating \mathcal{P} arts and \mathcal{A} ttributes.

- $\in: \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$.

Please be open-minded! Do not think of “parts” \mathcal{P} being “robust” in the sense of being rigid bodies. Think, more of them as point space sets. Of course, parts \mathcal{P} are really what the below axioms expresses. Allow two or more of these parts to share points, i.e., to “protrude” into one-another; then the axioms are easier, we find, to comprehend.

² Identifiers \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{A} stand for model-oriented types (parts and atomic parts), whereas identifiers \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{A} stand for property-oriented types (parts and attributes).

B.2.2 The Axioms

The axiom system to be developed in this section is a variant of that in [115]. We introduce the following relations between parts:

part_of:	$\mathbb{P} : \mathcal{P} \times \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$	Page 298
proper_part_of:	$\mathbb{PP} : \mathcal{P} \times \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$	Page 298
overlap:	$\mathbb{O} : \mathcal{P} \times \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$	Page 298
underlap:	$\mathbb{U} : \mathcal{P} \times \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$	Page 298
over_crossing:	$\mathbb{OX} : \mathcal{P} \times \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$	Page 298
under_crossing:	$\mathbb{UX} : \mathcal{P} \times \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$	Page 299
proper_overlap:	$\mathbb{PO} : \mathcal{P} \times \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$	Page 299
proper_underlap:	$\mathbb{PU} : \mathcal{P} \times \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$	Page 299

Part-hood, \mathbb{P} , expresses that p_x is part of p_y as $\mathbb{P}(p_x, p_y)$.³

Part p_x is part of itself (reflexivity) (B.1).

If a part p_x is part p_y and, vice versa, part p_y is part of p_x , then $p_x = p_y$ (anti-symmetry) (B.2).

If a part p_x is part of p_y and part p_y is part of p_z , then p_x is part of p_z (transitivity) (B.3).

$$\forall p_x : \mathcal{P} \bullet \mathbb{P}(p_x, p_x) \quad (\text{B.1})$$

$$\forall p_x, p_y : \mathcal{P} \bullet (\mathbb{P}(p_x, p_y) \wedge \mathbb{P}(p_y, p_x)) \Rightarrow p_x = p_y \quad (\text{B.2})$$

$$\forall p_x, p_y, p_z : \mathcal{P} \bullet (\mathbb{P}(p_x, p_y) \wedge \mathbb{P}(p_y, p_z)) \Rightarrow \mathbb{P}(p_x, p_z) \quad (\text{B.3})$$

Proper Part-hood, \mathbb{PP} , expresses p_x is a proper part of p_y as $\mathbb{PP}(p_x, p_y)$.

\mathbb{PP} can be defined in terms of \mathbb{P} .

$\mathbb{PP}(p_x, p_y)$ holds if p_x is part of p_y , but p_y is not part of p_x .

$$\mathbb{PP}(p_x, p_y) \triangleq \mathbb{P}(p_x, p_y) \wedge \neg \mathbb{P}(p_y, p_x) \quad (\text{B.4})$$

Overlap, \mathbb{O} , expresses a relation between parts.

Two parts are said to overlap if they have “something” in common.

In classical mereology that ‘something’ is parts.

To us parts are spatial entities and these cannot “overlap”.

Instead they can ‘share’ attributes.

$$\mathbb{O}(p_x, p_y) \triangleq \exists a : \mathcal{A} \bullet a \in p_x \wedge a \in p_y \quad (\text{B.5})$$

Underlap, \mathbb{U} , expresses a relation between parts.

Two parts are said to underlap if there exists a part p_z of which p_x is a part and of which p_y is a part.

$$\mathbb{U}(p_x, p_y) \triangleq \exists p_z : \mathcal{P} \bullet \mathbb{P}(p_x, p_z) \wedge \mathbb{P}(p_y, p_z) \quad (\text{B.6})$$

Think of the underlap p_z as an “umbrella” which both p_x and p_y are “under”.

Over-cross, \mathbb{OX} , p_x and p_y are said to over-cross if p_x and p_y overlap and p_x is not part of p_y .

$$\mathbb{OX}(p_x, p_y) \triangleq \mathbb{O}(p_x, p_y) \wedge \neg \mathbb{P}(p_x, p_y) \quad (\text{B.7})$$

Under-cross, \mathbb{UX} , p_x and p_y are said to under cross if p_x and p_y underlap and p_y is not part of p_x .

³ Our notation now is not RSL but a conventional first-order predicate logic notation.

$$\mathbb{UX}(p_x, p_y) \triangleq \mathbb{U}(p_x, p_y) \wedge \neg \mathbb{P}(p_y, p_x) \quad (\text{B.8})$$

Proper Overlap, \mathbb{PO} , expresses a relation between parts.

p_x and p_y are said to properly overlap if p_x and p_y over-cross and if p_y and p_x over-cross.

$$\mathbb{PO}(p_x, p_y) \triangleq \mathbb{OX}(p_x, p_y) \wedge \mathbb{OX}(p_y, p_x) \quad (\text{B.9})$$

Proper Underlap, \mathbb{PU} , p_x and p_y are said to properly underlap if p_x and p_y under-cross and p_y and p_x under-cross.

$$\mathbb{PU}(p_x, p_y) \triangleq \mathbb{UX}(p_x, p_y) \wedge \mathbb{UX}(p_y, p_x) \quad (\text{B.10})$$

B.3 An Abstract Model of Mereologies

B.3.1 Parts and Sub-parts

559 We distinguish between **atomic** and **composite parts**.

560 Atomic parts do not contain separately distinguishable parts.

561 Composite parts contain at least one separately distinguishable part.

type

559. $P == AP \mid CP^4$

560. $AP :: \text{mkAP}(\dots)^5$

561. $CP :: \text{mkCP}(\dots, \text{s_sps}:P\text{-set})^6$ **axiom** $\forall \text{mkCP}(_, \text{ps}):CP \cdot \text{ps} \neq \{\}$

It is the domain analyser who decides what constitutes “the whole”, that is, how parts relate to one another, what constitutes parts, and whether a part is atomic or composite. We refer to the proper parts of a composite part as sub-parts. Figure B.8 illustrates composite and atomic parts. The *slanted sans serif* uppercase identifiers of Fig. B.8 *A1*, *A2*, *A3*, *A4*, *A5*, *A6* and *C1*, *C2*, *C3* are meta-linguistic, that is, they stand for the parts they “decorate”; they are not identifiers of “our system”.

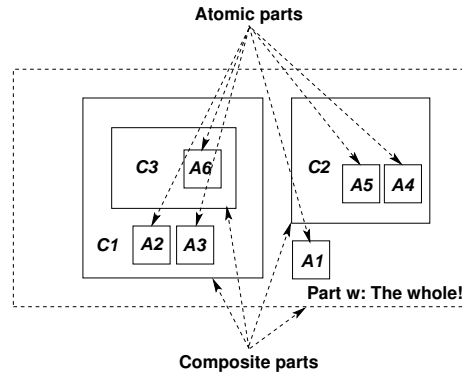


Fig. B.8. Atomic and Composite Parts

⁴ In the RAISE [179] Specification Language, RSL [176], writing type definitions $X == Y|Z$ means that Y and Z are to be disjoint types. In Items 560.–561. the identifiers mkAP and mkCP are distinct, hence their types are disjoint.

⁵ $Y :: \text{mkY}(\dots)$: y values (...) are marked with the “make constructor” mkY , cf. [279, 280].

⁶ In $Y :: \text{mkY}(\text{s_w}:W, \dots)$ s_w is a “selector function” which when applied to an y , i.e., $\text{s_w}(y)$ identifies the W element, cf. [279, 280].

B.3.2 No “Infinitely” Embedded Parts

The above syntax, Items 559–561, does not prevent composite parts, p , to contain composite parts, p' , “ad-infinitum”! But we do not wish such “recursively” contained parts!

562 To express the property that parts are finite we introduce a notion of *part derivation*.

563 The part derivation of an atomic part is the empty set.

564 The part derivation of a composite part, p , $\text{mkC}(\dots, \text{ps})$ where \dots is left undefined, is the set ps of sub-parts of p .

value

562. $\text{pt_der}: P \rightarrow \text{P-set}$

563. $\text{pt_der}(\text{mkAP}(\dots)) \equiv \{\}$

564. $\text{pt_der}(\text{mkCP}(\dots, \text{ps})) \equiv \text{ps}$

565 We can also express the part derivation, $\text{pt_der}(\text{ps})$ of a set, ps , of parts.

566 If the set is empty then $\text{pt_der}(\{\})$ is the empty set, $\{\}$.

567 Let $\text{mkA}(pq)$ be an element of ps , then $\text{pt_der}(\{\text{mkA}(pq)\} \cup \text{ps}')$ is ps' .

568 Let $\text{mkC}(pq, \text{ps}')$ be an element of ps , then $\text{pt_der}(\text{ps}' \cup \text{ps})$ is ps' .

565. $\text{pt_der}: \text{P-set} \rightarrow \text{P-set}$

566. $\text{pt_der}(\{\}) \equiv \{\}$

567. $\text{pt_der}(\{\text{mkA}(\dots)\} \cup \text{ps}) \equiv \text{ps}$

568. $\text{pt_der}(\{\text{mkC}(\dots, \text{ps}')\} \cup \text{ps}) \equiv \text{ps}' \cup \text{ps}$

569 Therefore, to express that a part is finite we postulate

570 a natural number, n , such that a notion of iterated part set derivations lead to an empty set.

571 An iterated part set derivation takes a set of parts and part set derive that set repeatedly, n times.

572 If the result is an empty set, then part p was finite.

value

569. $\text{no_infinite_parts}: P \rightarrow \text{Bool}$

570. $\text{no_infinite_parts}(p) \equiv$

570. $\exists n: \text{Nat} \cdot \text{it_pt_der}(\{p\})(n) = \{\}$

571. $\text{it_pt_der}: \text{P-set} \rightarrow \text{Nat} \rightarrow \text{P-set}$

572. $\text{it_pt_der}(\text{ps})(n) \equiv$

572. $\text{let } \text{ps}' = \text{pt_der}(\text{ps}) \text{ in}$

572. $\text{if } n=1 \text{ then } \text{ps}' \text{ else } \text{it_pt_der}(\text{ps}')(n-1) \text{ end end}$

B.3.3 Unique Identifications

Each physical part can be uniquely distinguished for example by an abstraction of its properties at a time of origin. In consequence we also endow conceptual parts with unique identifications.

573 In order to refer to specific parts we endow all parts, whether atomic or composite, with **unique identifications**.

574 We postulate functions which observe these **unique identifications**, whether as parts in general or as atomic or composite parts in particular.

575 such that any to parts which are distinct have **unique identifications**.

type

573. UI

value

574. $\text{uid_UI}: P \rightarrow \text{UI}$

axiom

575. $\forall p, p': P \cdot p \neq p' \Rightarrow \text{uid_UI}(p) \neq \text{uid_UI}(p')$

A model for `uid_UI` can be given. Presupposing subsequent material (on attributes and mereology) — “lumped” into part qualities, `pq:PQ`, we augment definitions of atomic and composite parts:

type

560. `AP :: mkA(s_pq:(s_uid:UI,...))`

561. `CP :: mkC(s_pq:(s_uid:UI,...),s_sps:P-set)`

value

574. `uid_UI(mkA((ui,...))) \equiv ui`

574. `uid_UI(mkC((ui,...)),...) \equiv ui`

Figure B.9 illustrates the unique identifications of composite and atomic parts.

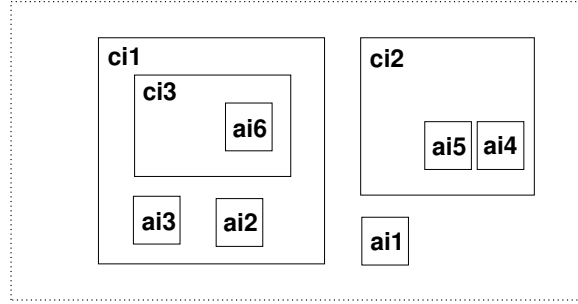


Fig. B.9. ai_j : atomic part identifiers, ci_k : composite part identifiers

No two parts have the same unique identifier.

576 We define an auxiliary function, `no_pts_uis`, which applies to a[ny] part, p , and yields a pair: the number of sub-parts of the part argument, and the set of unique identifiers of parts within p .

577 `no_pts_uis` is defined in terms of yet an auxiliary function, `sum_no_pts_uis`.

value

576. `no_pts_uis: P \rightarrow (Nat \times UI-set) \rightarrow (Nat \times UI-set)`

576. `no_pts_uis(mkA(ui,...))(n,uis) \equiv (n+1,uis \cup {ui})`

576. `no_pts_uis(mkC((ui,...),ps))(n,uis) \equiv`

576. `let (n',uis') = sum_no_pts_uis(ps) in`

576. `(n+n',uis \cup uis')` **end**

576. **pre:** `no_infinite_parts(p)`

577. `sum_no_pts_uis: P-set \rightarrow (Nat \times UI-set) \rightarrow (Nat \times UI-set)`

577. `sum_no_pts_uis(ps)(n,uis) \equiv`

577. `case ps of`

577. `{ \rightarrow }(n,uis),`

577. `{mkA(ui,...)} \rightarrow sum_no_pts_uis(ps')(n+1,uis \cup {ui}),`

577. `{mkC((ui,...),ps')} \rightarrow`

577. `let (n'',uis'')=sum_no_pts_uis(ps')(1,{ui}) in`

577. `sum_no_pts_uis(ps'')(n+n'',uis \cup uis'')` **end**

577. **end**

577. **pre:** $\forall p:P \cdot p \in ps \Rightarrow \text{no_infinite_parts}(p)$

578 That no two parts have the same unique identifier can now be expressed by demanding that the number of parts equals the number of unique identifiers.

axiom

578. $\forall p:P \cdot \text{let } (n,uis)=\text{no_pts_uis}(0,\{\}) \text{ in } n=\text{card } uis \text{ end}$

B.3.4 Attributes

B.3.4.1 Attribute Names and Values

579 Parts have sets of named attribute values, attrs:ATTRS .

580 One can observe attributes from parts.

581 Two distinct parts may share attributes:

- a For some (one or more) attribute name that is among the attribute names of both parts,
- b it is always the case that the corresponding attribute values are identical.

type

579. $\text{ANm, AVAL, ATTRS} = \text{ANm} \xrightarrow{m} \text{AVAL}$

value

580. $\text{attr_ATTRS}: P \rightarrow \text{ATTRS}$

581. $\text{share}: P \times P \rightarrow \text{Bool}$

581. $\text{share}(p, p') \equiv$

581. $p \neq p' \wedge \sim \text{trans_adj}(p, p') \wedge$

581a. $\exists \text{anm:ANm} \cdot \text{anm} \in \text{dom attr_ATTRS}(p) \cap \text{dom attr_ATTRS}(p') \Rightarrow$

581b. $\square (\text{attr_ATTRS}(p))(\text{anm}) = (\text{attr_ATTRS}(p'))(\text{anm})$

The function trans_adj is defined in Sect. B.4.4 on Page 304.

B.3.4.2 Attribute Categories

We define some auxiliary functions:

582 \mathcal{S}_A applies to attrs:ATTRS and yields a grouping $(\text{sa}_1, \text{sa}_2, \dots, \text{sa}_{n_s})^7$, of **static** attribute values.

583 \mathcal{C}_A applies to attrs:ATTRS and yields a grouping $(\text{ca}_1, \text{ca}_2, \dots, \text{ca}_{n_c})^8$ of **controllable** attribute values.

584 \mathcal{E}_A applies to attrs:ATTRS and yields a set, $\{\text{eA}_1, \text{eA}_2, \dots, \text{eA}_{n_e}\}^9$ of **external** attribute names.

type

$\text{SA, CA} = \text{AVAL}^*$

$\text{EA} = \text{ANm-st}$

582. $\mathcal{S}_A: \text{ATTRS} \rightarrow \text{SA}$

583. $\mathcal{C}_A: \text{ATTRS} \rightarrow \text{CA}$

584. $\mathcal{E}_A: \text{ATTRS} \rightarrow \text{EA}$

value

The attribute names of static, controllable and external attributes do not overlap and together make up the attribute names of attrs .

B.3.5 Mereology

In order to illustrate other than the **within** and **adjacency** part relations we introduce the notion of mereology. Figure B.10 on the next page illustrates a mereology between parts. A specific mereology-relation is, visually, a $\bullet\text{---}\bullet$ line that connects two distinct parts.

585 The mereology of a part is a set of unique identifiers of other parts.

type

585. $\text{ME} = \text{UI-set}$

We may refer to the connectors by the two element sets of the unique identifiers of the parts they connect. For **example** with respect to Fig. B.10 on the facing page:

⁷ – where $\{\text{sa}_1, \text{sa}_2, \dots, \text{sa}_{n_s}\} \subseteq \text{rng attrs}$

⁸ – where $\{\text{ca}_1, \text{ca}_2, \dots, \text{ca}_{n_c}\} \subseteq \text{rng attrs}$

⁹ – where $\{\text{eA}_1, \text{eA}_2, \dots, \text{eA}_{n_e}\} \subseteq \text{dom attrs}$

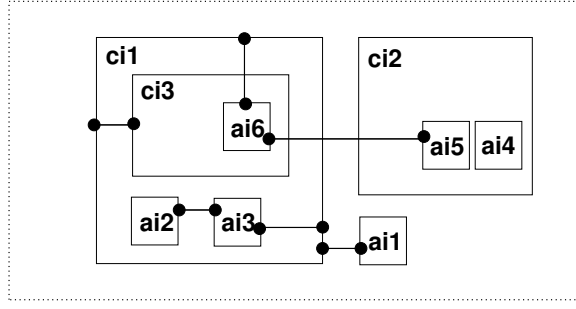


Fig. B.10. Mereology: Relations between Parts

- $\{ci_1, ci_3\}$,
- $\{ai_2, ai_3\}$,
- $\{ai_6, ci_1\}$,
- $\{ai_3, ci_1\}$,
- $\{ai_6, ai_5\}$ and
- $\{ai_1, ci_1\}$.

B.3.6 The Model

586 The “whole” is a part.

587 A part value has a part sort name and is either the value of an atomic part or of an abstract composite part.

588 An atomic part value has a part quality value.

589 An abstract composite part value has a part quality value and a set of at least of one or more part values.

590 A part quality value consists of a unique identifier, a mereology, and a set of one or more attribute named attribute values.

586 $W = P$

587 $P = AP \mid CP$

588 $AP :: mkA(s_{pq}:PQ)$

589 $CP :: mkC(s_{pq}:PQ, s_{ps}:P\text{-set})$

590 $PQ = UI \times ME \times (ANm \xrightarrow{m} AVAL)$

We now assume that parts are not “recursively infinite”, and that all parts have unique identifiers

B.4 Some Part Relations

B.4.1 ‘Immediately Within’

591 One part, p , is said to be *immediately within*, $imm_within(p, p')$, another part, if p' is a composite part and p is observable in p' .

value

591. $imm_within: P \times P \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$

591. $imm_within(p, p') \equiv$

591. **case** p' **of**

591. $(_, mkA(_, ps)) \rightarrow p \in ps,$

591. $(_, mkC(_, ps)) \rightarrow p \in ps,$

591. $_ \rightarrow \mathbf{false}$

591. **end**

B.4.2 ‘Transitive Within’

We can generalise the ‘immediate within’ property.

- 592 A part, p , is transitively within a part p' , $\text{trans_within}(p, p')$,
 a either if p is immediately within p'
 b or
 c if there exists a (proper) composite part p'' of p' such that $\text{trans_within}(p'', p)$.

value

```

592. trans_within:  $P \times P \rightarrow \text{Bool}$ 
592. trans_within( $p, p'$ )  $\equiv$ 
592a. imm_within( $p, p'$ )
592b.  $\vee$ 
592c. case  $p'$  of
592c.   ( $\_, \text{mkC}(\_, \text{ps})$ )  $\rightarrow p \in \text{ps} \wedge$ 
592c.    $\exists p'': P \bullet p'' \in \text{ps} \wedge \text{trans\_within}(p'', p)$ ,
592c.    $\_ \rightarrow \text{false}$ 
592. end

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B.4.3 ‘Adjacency’

- 593 Two parts, p, p' , are said to be *immediately adjacent*, $\text{imm_adj}(p, p')(c)$, to one another, in a composite part c , such that p and p' are distinct and observable in c .

value

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593. imm_adj:  $P \times P \rightarrow P \rightarrow \text{Bool}$ 
593. imm_adj( $p, p'$ )( $\text{mkA}(\_, \text{ps})$ )  $\equiv p \neq p' \wedge \{p, p'\} \subseteq \text{ps}$ 
593. imm_adj( $p, p'$ )( $\text{mkC}(\_, \text{ps})$ )  $\equiv p \neq p' \wedge \{p, p'\} \subseteq \text{ps}$ 
593. imm_adj( $p, p'$ )( $\text{mkA}(\_)$ )  $\equiv \text{false}$ 

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B.4.4 Transitive ‘Adjacency’

We can generalise the immediate ‘adjacent’ property.

- 594 Two parts, p', p'' , of a composite part, p , are $\text{trans_adj}(p', p'')$ in p
 a either if $\text{imm_adj}(p', p'')(p)$,
 b or if there are two p''' and p'''' such that
 i p''' and p'''' are immediately adjacent parts of p and
 ii p is equal to p''' or p''' is properly within p and p' is equal to p'''' or p'''' is properly within p'

We leave the formalisation to the reader.

B.5 Satisfaction

We shall sketch a proof that the *model* of Sect. B.3, *satisfies*, i.e., is a model of, the *axioms* of Sect. B.2.

B.5.1 A Proof Sketch

We assign

595 P as the meaning of \mathcal{P}

596 ATR as the meaning of \mathcal{A} ,

597 imm_within as the meaning of \mathbb{P} ,

598 $trans_within$ as the meaning of $\mathbb{P}\mathbb{P}$,

599 $\in: ATTR \times ATTRS\text{-}set \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$ as the meaning of $\in: \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$ and

600 $sharing$ as the meaning of \mathbb{O} .

With the above assignments it is now easy to prove that the other axiom-operators \mathbb{U} , \mathbb{PO} , \mathbb{PU} , \mathbb{OX} and \mathbb{UX} can be modeled by means of imm_within , $within$, $ATTR \times ATTRS\text{-}set \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$ and $sharing$.

C

FOUR LANGUAGES

*In this appendix we recall the four language tools of the **domain analysis & description**: (i) the calculi of analysis and description prompts; (ii) the ‘language’ of explaining domain analysis & description; (iii) the RSL: Raise Specification Language, and (iv) the ‘language’ of domains.*

Usually mathematics, in many of its shades and forms are deployed in *describing* properties of nature, as when pursuing physics, Usually the formal specification languages of *computer & computing science* have a precise semantics and a consistent proof system. To have these properties those languages must deal with *computable objects*. *Domains are not computable*.

C.1 The Domain Analysis & Description Calculi

We separate the calculi into two: the **analysis** functions, and the **description** functions. None of these are computable functions as they have no formal basis. They are tools in helping us to achieve a formal, computable basis on which to understand the analysed & described domains.

C.1.1 The Analysis Calculus

Use of the *analysis language* is not written down. It consists of a number of single, usually `is_` or `has_`, prefixed *domain analysis prompt* and *domain description prompt* names. The **domain analysis prompts** are:

The Analysis Predicate Prompts

<code>is_ alternative_ sorts_ set, 58</code>	<code>is_ material, 49</code>
<code>is_ animal, 54</code>	<code>is_ natural_ atomic, 56</code>
<code>is_ arte factual_ composite, 56</code>	<code>is_ natural_ composite, 56</code>
<code>is_ artefactual_ atomic, 56</code>	<code>is_ natural_ part, 51</code>
<code>is_ artefact, 51</code>	<code>is_ part_ materials_ conjoin, 59</code>
<code>is_ atomic, 56</code>	<code>is_ part_ parts_ conjoin, 61</code>
<code>is_ composite_ structure, 53</code>	<code>is_ perdurant, 48</code>
<code>is_ composite, 57</code>	<code>is_ physical_ part, 50</code>
<code>is_ compound, 56</code>	<code>is_ plant, 54</code>
<code>is_ conjoin, 59</code>	<code>is_ set_ structure, 53</code>
<code>is_ continuous, 49</code>	<code>is_ set, 57</code>
<code>is_ discrete, 48</code>	<code>is_ single_ sort_ set, 58</code>
<code>is_ endurant, 47</code>	<code>is_ structure, 50</code>
<code>is_ entity, 43</code>	
<code>is_ human, 54</code>	<code>has_monitorable_attributes, 128</code>
<code>is_ living_ species, 51</code>	
<code>is_ material_ parts_ parts_ conjoin, 60</code>	<code>is_physical_attribute, 223, 109</code>

The Analysis Function Prompts

analyse_alternative_sorts_part_set, 64	analyse_phys_attr_scale, 226, 109
analyse_attribute_types, 96	
analyse_composite_parts, 63	is_, 87
analyse_intentionality, 113	is_ , 70–72
analyse_material_parts_parts, 64	
analyse_part_materials, 64	obs_AbsPhysUnit_Attr, 220, 108
analyse_part_parts, 65	obs_ConcPhysUnit_Attr, 221, 108
analyse_single_sort_part_set, 63	obs_PhysScale_Attr, 222, 108
calc_parts, 120, 74	
calculate_all_unique_identifiers, 87	possible_variable_declaration, 128
type_name, type_of, is_ , 66, 70–72, 87	type
	name, 66
analyse_abs_phys_attr, 224, 109	of, 66
analyse_conc_phys_attr, 225, 109	type_name, 66
analyse_intentionality, 113	type_of, 66

They apply to phenomena in the domain, that is, to “the world out there”! Except for the `analyse_...` and `attribute_types` functions, these queries result in truth values; the `analyse_...` result in the *domain scientist cum engineer* noting down, in memory or in typed form, suggestive names [of endurant sorts]; and `attribute_types` results in suggestive names [of attribute types]. The truth-valued queries directs, as we shall see, the *domain scientist cum engineer* to either further analysis or to “issue” some *domain description prompts*.

C.1.2 The Description Calculus

The ‘name’-valued queries help the human analyser to formulate the result of **domain description prompts**:

The Description Prompts

calculate_alternative_sort_part_sorts, 69	describe_attributes, 97
calculate_composite_parts_sorts, 66	describe_mereology, 91
calculate_material_parts_parts_sorts, 71	describe_unique_identifier, 86
calculate_part_materials_sorts, 70	
calculate_part_parts_sorts, 72	name_and_sketch_universe_of_discourse,
calculate_single_sort_parts, 68	41

Again they apply to phenomena in the domain, that is, to “the world out there”! In this case they result in RSL-Text!

The **description language** is RSL⁺. It is a basically applicative subset of RSL [176], that is: no assignable variables. Also we omit RSL’s elaborate *scheme*, *class*, *object* notions.

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The Description Language Primitives

• <i>Endurants</i> :	• <i>Mereologies</i> :
∞ obs E_i , dfn. 1, [o] pg. 66, dfn. 1, [s] pg. 66	∞ mereo.P, dfn. 8, [m] pg. 91
• <i>Unique Identifiers</i> :	• <i>Attributes</i> :
∞ uid.P, dfn. 7, [u] pg. 86	∞ attr.A $_i$, dfn. 9, [a] pg. 97

We refer, generally, to all these functions as observer functions. They are defined by the analyser cum describer when “applying” description prompts. That is, they should be considered user-defined. In our examples we use the non-bold-faced observer function names.

C.2 The Language of Explaining Domain Analysis & Description

English, Philosophy and Discrete Mathematics Notation

In explaining the *analysis & description prompts* we use a natural language which contains terms and phrases typical of (i) the technical language of *computer & computing science*, and (ii) the language of *philosophy*, more specifically *ontology*, and discrete mathematics notation. The reason for the former should be obvious. The reason for the latter is given as follows: We are, on one hand, dealing with real, actual segments of domains characterised by their basis in nature, in economics, in technologies, etc., that is, in informal “worlds”, and, on the other hand, we aim at a formal understanding of those “worlds”. There is, in other words, the task of explaining how we observe those “worlds”, and that is what brings us close to some issues well-discussed in *philosophy*.

C.3 The RSL: Raise Specification Language

RSL is the target language into which the domain description prompts express their results.

The author has been involved in both the development, research into and extensive use of both VDM and RAISE/RSL. He instigated the mainly UK/Danish project that led to RAISE/RSL. From around 1993 he has used RSL on an almost daily basis.

The RAISE Specification Language is basically a model-oriented specification language. Bases for RSL are VDM [88, 89, 154], discrete mathematics, and CSP [238]. For initial specifications, like, e.g., domain descriptions, we advice to focus on the functional, i.e., the applicative aspects of RSL.

The prime references to the RAISE Method and the RSL, Raise Specification Language, are [179, 176]. Short introductions to RAISE and RSL are [177, 168, 172, George et al.].

Early publications: [118, 131, 240, 132, 275, 133, 145, 183, 381, 146, Dandanell et al.]; theoretical investigations [290, 291, Milner]; case studies [180, 2001]; and by the current author [39, 40, 41, Bjørner].

Chris W. George, is one of the masterminds, since the mid-to-late 1980s, of RAISE, focusing very much on correctness issues, is the prime author of most of these papers: [162, 296, 298, 163, 164, 216, 165, 169, 378, 265, 175, 166, 171, 167, 2, 135, 84, 3, 311, 168, 174, 168, 357, 173, 356, 119, 120, 120, 312, 140, Chris W. George et al.].

Klaus Havelund, who was with the RAISE project at the Danish industrial partner, CR, in its early days, besides co-authoring [176, 179], was a prime author of many of the RAISE project technical reports – as well of these early publications: [297, 170, 86, 201].

Anne Elisabeth Haxthausen, who was with the RAISE project at the Danish industrial partner, CR, in its early days, besides co-authoring [176, 179], is a prime author of several very relevant RAISE/RSL (etc.) papers: [221, 216, 206, 232, 203, 222, 305, 233, 267, 223, 233, 224, 202, 226, 225, 218, 84, 266, 307, 178, 217, 308, 227, 173, 214, 208, 207, 231, 215, 209, 210, 219, 306, 211, 228, 205, 213, 212, 363, 361, 362, 364, 229, 365, 148, 220, 365, 151, 273, 150, 360, 159, 149, 309, 204, 160, 182].

There are some Web pages: RAISE Tools: <https://raisetools.github.io/> and a RAISE Repository: <https://github.com/raisetools>. From here one should be able to download the RAISE Tools.

C.4 The Language of Domains

We consider a domain through the *semiotic looking glass* of its *syntax* and its *semantics*; we shall not consider here its possible *pragmatics*. By “its syntax” we shall mean the form and “contents”, i.e., the

external and *internal qualities* of the *endurants* of the domain, i.e., those *entities* that endure. By “*its semantics*” we shall, by a *transcendental deduction*, mean the *perdurants*: the *actions*, the *events*, and the *behaviours* that center on the the *endurants* and that otherwise characterise the domain.

D

AN RSL PRIMER

This is an ultra-short introduction to the RAISE Specification Language, RSL.

D.1 Types

The reader is kindly asked to study first the decomposition of this section into its sub-parts and sub-sub-parts.

D.1.1 Type Expressions

Type expressions are expressions whose value are type, that is, possibly infinite sets of values (of “that” type).

D.1.1.1 Atomic Types

Atomic types have (atomic) values. That is, values which we consider to have no proper constituent (sub-)values, i.e., cannot, to us, be meaningfully “taken apart”.

RSL has a number of built-in atomic types. There are the Booleans, integers, natural numbers, reals, characters, and texts.

D.1.1.1.0.1 Basic Types:

type

- [1] Bool
- [2] Int
- [3] Nat
- [4] Real
- [5] Char
- [6] Text

D.1.1.2 Composite Types

Composite types have composite values. That is, values which we consider to have proper constituent (sub-)values, i.e., can, to us, be meaningfully “taken apart”.

From these one can form type expressions: finite sets, infinite sets, Cartesian products, lists, maps, etc.

Let A, B and C be any type names or type expressions, then:

D.1.1.2.0.1 Composite Type Expressions:

- [7] **A-set**
- [8] **A-infset**
- [9] $A \times B \times \dots \times C$
- [10] A^*
- [11] A^ω
- [12] $A \xrightarrow{m} B$
- [13] $A \rightarrow B$
- [14] $A \rightsquigarrow B$
- [15] $A \mid B \mid \dots \mid C$
- [16] $\text{mk_id}(\text{sel_a:A}, \dots, \text{sel_b:B})$
- [17] $\text{sel_a:A} \dots \text{sel_b:B}$

The following are generic type expressions:

- 1 The Boolean type of truth values **false** and **true**.
- 2 The integer type on integers $\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots$.
- 3 The natural number type of positive integer values $0, 1, 2, \dots$.
- 4 The real number type of real values, i.e., values whose numerals can be written as an integer, followed by a period (“.”), followed by a natural number (the fraction).
- 5 The character type of character values “a”, “bb”, ...
- 6 The text type of character string values “aa”, “aaa”, ..., “abc”, ...
- 7 The set type of finite cardinality set values.
- 8 The set type of infinite and finite cardinality set values.
- 9 The Cartesian type of Cartesian values.
- 10 The list type of finite length list values.
- 11 The list type of infinite and finite length list values.
- 12 The map type of finite definition set map values.
- 13 The function type of total function values.
- 14 The function type of partial function values.
- 15 The postulated disjoint union of types A, B, ..., and C.
- 16 The record type of mk_id -named record values $\text{mk_id}(\text{av}, \dots, \text{bv})$, where $\text{av}, \dots, \text{bv}$, are values of respective types. The distinct identifiers sel_a , etc., designate selector functions.
- 17 The record type of unnamed record values $(\text{av}, \dots, \text{bv})$, where $\text{av}, \dots, \text{bv}$, are values of respective types. The distinct identifiers sel_a , etc., designate selector functions.

D.1.2 Type Definitions

D.1.2.1 Concrete Types

Types can be concrete in which case the structure of the type is specified by type expressions:

D.1.2.1.0.1 Type Definition:

type
 $A = \text{Type_expr}$

Some schematic type definitions are:

D.1.2.1.0.2 Variety of Type Definitions:

- [1] $\text{Type_name} = \text{Type_expr} \text{ /* without } | \text{ s or subtypes */}$
- [2] $\text{Type_name} = \text{Type_expr}_1 \mid \text{Type_expr}_2 \mid \dots \mid \text{Type_expr}_n$
- [3] $\text{Type_name} ==$
 $\quad \text{mk_id}_1(\text{s_a1}:\text{Type_name_a1}, \dots, \text{s_ai}:\text{Type_name_ai}) \mid$
 $\quad \dots \mid$
 $\quad \text{mk_id}_n(\text{s_z1}:\text{Type_name_z1}, \dots, \text{s_zk}:\text{Type_name_zk})$
- [4] $\text{Type_name} :: \text{sel_a}:\text{Type_name_a} \dots \text{sel_z}:\text{Type_name_z}$
- [5] $\text{Type_name} = \{ \mid \text{v}:\text{Type_name}' \cdot \mathcal{P}(\text{v}) \mid \}$

where a form of [2–3] is provided by combining the types:

D.1.2.1.0.3 Record Types:

$\text{Type_name} = A \mid B \mid \dots \mid Z$
 $A == \text{mk_id}_1(\text{s_a1}:A_1, \dots, \text{s_ai}:A_i)$
 $B == \text{mk_id}_2(\text{s_b1}:B_1, \dots, \text{s_bj}:B_j)$
 \dots
 $Z == \text{mk_id}_n(\text{s_z1}:Z_1, \dots, \text{s_zk}:Z_k)$

Types A, B, \dots, Z are disjoint, i.e., shares no values, provided all mk_id_k are distinct and due to the use of the disjoint record type constructor $==$.

axiom

$\forall a1:A_1, a2:A_2, \dots, ai:A_i \cdot$
 $\quad \text{s_a1}(\text{mk_id}_1(a1, a2, \dots, ai)) = a1 \wedge \text{s_a2}(\text{mk_id}_1(a1, a2, \dots, ai)) = a2 \wedge$
 $\quad \dots \wedge \text{s_ai}(\text{mk_id}_1(a1, a2, \dots, ai)) = ai \wedge$
 $\forall a:A \cdot \text{let } \text{mk_id}_1(a1', a2', \dots, ai') = a \text{ in}$
 $\quad a1' = \text{s_a1}(a) \wedge a2' = \text{s_a2}(a) \wedge \dots \wedge ai' = \text{s_ai}(a) \text{ end}$

Note: Values of type A , where that type is defined by $A::B \times C \times D$, can be expressed $A(b, c, d)$ for $b:B, c:D, d:D$.

D.1.2.2 Subtypes

In RSL, each type represents a set of values. Such a set can be delimited by means of predicates. The set of values b which have type B and which satisfy the predicate \mathcal{P} , constitute the subtype A :

D.1.2.2.0.1 Subtypes:

type

$A = \{ \mid b:B \cdot \mathcal{P}(b) \mid \}$

D.1.2.3 Sorts — Abstract Types

Types can be (abstract) sorts in which case their structure is not specified:

D.1.2.3.0.1 Sorts:

type

A, B, \dots, C

D.2 The RSL Predicate Calculus

D.2.1 Propositional Expressions

Let identifiers (or propositional expressions) a, b, \dots, c designate Boolean values (**true** or **false** [or **chaos**]). Then:

D.2.1.0.0.1 **Propositional Expressions:****false, true****a, b, ..., c** $\sim a$, $a \wedge b$, $a \vee b$, $a \Rightarrow b$, $a = b$, $a \neq b$

are propositional expressions having Boolean values. \sim , \wedge , \vee , \Rightarrow , $=$, \neq and \square are Boolean connectives (i.e., operators). They can be read as: not, and, or, if then (or implies), equal and not equal.

D.2.2 **Simple Predicate Expressions**

Let identifiers (or propositional expressions) **a, b, ..., c** designate Boolean values, let **x, y, ..., z** (or term expressions) designate non-Boolean values and let **i, j, ..., k** designate number values, then:

D.2.2.0.0.1 **Simple Predicate Expressions:** $\forall x:X \cdot \mathcal{P}(x)$ $\exists y:Y \cdot \mathcal{Q}(y)$ $\exists ! z:Z \cdot \mathcal{R}(z)$

are quantified expressions — also being predicate expressions.

They are “read” as: For all x (values in type X) the predicate $\mathcal{P}(x)$ holds; there exists (at least) one y (value in type Y) such that the predicate $\mathcal{Q}(y)$ holds; and there exists a unique z (value in type Z) such that the predicate $\mathcal{R}(z)$ holds.

D.3 **Concrete RSL Types: Values and Operations**D.3.1 **Arithmetic**D.3.1.0.0.1 **Arithmetic:****type****Nat, Int, Real****value** $+, -, *: \mathbf{Nat} \times \mathbf{Nat} \rightarrow \mathbf{Nat} \mid \mathbf{Int} \times \mathbf{Int} \rightarrow \mathbf{Int} \mid \mathbf{Real} \times \mathbf{Real} \rightarrow \mathbf{Real}$ $/: \mathbf{Nat} \times \mathbf{Nat} \rightarrow \mathbf{Nat} \mid \mathbf{Int} \times \mathbf{Int} \rightarrow \mathbf{Int} \mid \mathbf{Real} \times \mathbf{Real} \rightarrow \mathbf{Real}$ $<, \leq, =, \neq, \geq, > : (\mathbf{Nat} \mid \mathbf{Int} \mid \mathbf{Real}) \rightarrow (\mathbf{Nat} \mid \mathbf{Int} \mid \mathbf{Real})$ D.3.2 **Set Expressions**D.3.2.1 **Set Enumerations**

Let the below a ’s denote values of type A , then the below designate simple set enumerations:

D.3.2.1.0.1 **Set Enumerations:** $\{\{\}, \{a\}, \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}, \dots\} \in \mathbf{A-set}$ $\{\{\}, \{a\}, \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}, \dots, \{e_1, e_2, \dots\}\} \in \mathbf{A-infset}$ D.3.2.2 **Set Comprehension**

The expression, last line below, to the right of the \equiv , expresses set comprehension. The expression “builds” the set of values satisfying the given predicate. It is abstract in the sense that it does not do so by following a concrete algorithm.

D.3.2.2.0.1 Set Comprehension:

type
 A, B
 $P = A \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}$
 $Q = A \xrightarrow{\sim} B$

value
 $\text{comprehend}: A\text{-infset} \times P \times Q \rightarrow B\text{-infset}$
 $\text{comprehend}(s, P, Q) \equiv \{ Q(a) \mid a:A \cdot a \in s \wedge P(a) \}$

D.3.3 Cartesian Expressions

D.3.3.1 Cartesian Enumerations

Let e range over values of Cartesian types involving A, B, \dots, C , then the below expressions are simple Cartesian enumerations:

D.3.3.1.0.1 Cartesian Enumerations:

type
 A, B, \dots, C
 $A \times B \times \dots \times C$

value
 (e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n)

D.3.4 List Expressions

D.3.4.1 List Enumerations

Let a range over values of type A , then the below expressions are simple list enumerations:

D.3.4.1.0.1 List Enumerations:

$$\{ \langle \rangle, \langle e \rangle, \dots, \langle e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n \rangle, \dots \} \in A^*$$

$$\{ \langle \rangle, \langle e \rangle, \dots, \langle e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n \rangle, \dots, \langle e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n, \dots \rangle, \dots \} \in A^\omega$$

$$\langle a_i \dots a_j \rangle$$

The last line above assumes a_i and a_j to be integer-valued expressions. It then expresses the set of integers from the value of e_i to and including the value of e_j . If the latter is smaller than the former, then the list is empty.

D.3.4.2 List Comprehension

The last line below expresses list comprehension.

D.3.4.2.0.1 List Comprehension:

type
 $A, B, P = A \rightarrow \mathbf{Bool}, Q = A \xrightarrow{\sim} B$

value
 $\text{comprehend}: A^\omega \times P \times Q \xrightarrow{\sim} B^\omega$
 $\text{comprehend}(l, P, Q) \equiv$
 $\langle Q(l(i)) \mid i \text{ in } \langle 1..\text{len } l \rangle \cdot P(l(i)) \rangle$

D.3.5 Map Expressions

D.3.5.1 Map Enumerations

Let (possibly indexed) u and v range over values of type $T1$ and $T2$, respectively, then the below expressions are simple map enumerations:

D.3.5.1.0.1 Map Enumerations:

```

type
  T1, T2
  M = T1  $\xrightarrow{m}$  T2
value
  u, u1, u2, ..., un: T1, v, v1, v2, ..., vn: T2
  [], [u  $\mapsto$  v], ..., [u1  $\mapsto$  v1, u2  $\mapsto$  v2, ..., un  $\mapsto$  vn]  $\forall \in M$ 

```

D.3.5.2 Map Comprehension

The last line below expresses map comprehension:

D.3.5.2.0.1 Map Comprehension:

```

type
  U, V, X, Y
  M = U  $\xrightarrow{m}$  V
  F = U  $\xrightarrow{\sim}$  X
  G = V  $\xrightarrow{\sim}$  Y
  P = U  $\rightarrow$  Bool
value
  comprehend: M  $\times$  F  $\times$  G  $\times$  P  $\rightarrow$  (X  $\xrightarrow{m}$  Y)
  comprehend(m, F, G, P)  $\equiv$ 
    [ F(u)  $\mapsto$  G(m(u)) | u:U • u  $\in$  dom m  $\wedge$  P(u) ]

```

D.3.6 Set Operations

D.3.6.1 Set Operator Signatures

D.3.6.1.0.1 Set Operations:

```

value
  18  $\in$ : A  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  Bool
  19  $\notin$ : A  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  Bool
  20  $\cup$ : A-infset  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  A-infset
  21  $\cup$ : (A-infset)-infset  $\rightarrow$  A-infset
  22  $\cap$ : A-infset  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  A-infset
  23  $\cap$ : (A-infset)-infset  $\rightarrow$  A-infset
  24  $\setminus$ : A-infset  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  A-infset
  25  $\subset$ : A-infset  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  Bool
  26  $\subseteq$ : A-infset  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  Bool
  27  $=$ : A-infset  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  Bool
  28  $\neq$ : A-infset  $\times$  A-infset  $\rightarrow$  Bool
  29 card: A-infset  $\xrightarrow{\sim}$  Nat

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D.3.6.2 Set Examples

D.3.6.2.0.1 Set Examples:

examples

$a \in \{a,b,c\}$
 $a \notin \{\}, a \notin \{b,c\}$
 $\{a,b,c\} \cup \{a,b,d,e\} = \{a,b,c,d,e\}$
 $\cup\{\{a\},\{a,b\},\{a,d\}\} = \{a,b,d\}$
 $\{a,b,c\} \cap \{c,d,e\} = \{c\}$
 $\cap\{\{a\},\{a,b\},\{a,d\}\} = \{a\}$
 $\{a,b,c\} \setminus \{c,d\} = \{a,b\}$
 $\{a,b\} \subset \{a,b,c\}$
 $\{a,b,c\} \subseteq \{a,b,c\}$
 $\{a,b,c\} = \{a,b,c\}$
 $\{a,b,c\} \neq \{a,b\}$
 $\text{card } \{\} = 0, \text{card } \{a,b,c\} = 3$

D.3.6.3 Informal Explication

- 18 \in : The membership operator expresses that an element is a member of a set.
- 19 \notin : The nonmembership operator expresses that an element is not a member of a set.
- 20 \cup : The infix union operator. When applied to two sets, the operator gives the set whose members are in either or both of the two operand sets.
- 21 \cup : The distributed prefix union operator. When applied to a set of sets, the operator gives the set whose members are in some of the operand sets.
- 22 \cap : The infix intersection operator. When applied to two sets, the operator gives the set whose members are in both of the two operand sets.
- 23 \cap : The prefix distributed intersection operator. When applied to a set of sets, the operator gives the set whose members are in some of the operand sets.
- 24 \setminus : The set complement (or set subtraction) operator. When applied to two sets, the operator gives the set whose members are those of the left operand set which are not in the right operand set.
- 25 \subseteq : The proper subset operator expresses that all members of the left operand set are also in the right operand set.
- 26 \subset : The proper subset operator expresses that all members of the left operand set are also in the right operand set, and that the two sets are not identical.
- 27 $=$: The equal operator expresses that the two operand sets are identical.
- 28 \neq : The nonequal operator expresses that the two operand sets are not identical.
- 29 **card**: The cardinality operator gives the number of elements in a finite set.

D.3.6.4 Set Operator Definitions

The operations can be defined as follows (\equiv is the definition symbol):

D.3.6.4.0.1 Set Operation Definitions:

value

$s' \cup s'' \equiv \{ a \mid a:A \cdot a \in s' \vee a \in s'' \}$
 $s' \cap s'' \equiv \{ a \mid a:A \cdot a \in s' \wedge a \in s'' \}$
 $s' \setminus s'' \equiv \{ a \mid a:A \cdot a \in s' \wedge a \notin s'' \}$
 $s' \subseteq s'' \equiv \forall a:A \cdot a \in s' \Rightarrow a \in s''$
 $s' \subset s'' \equiv s' \subseteq s'' \wedge \exists a:A \cdot a \in s'' \wedge a \notin s'$
 $s' = s'' \equiv \forall a:A \cdot a \in s' \equiv a \in s'' \equiv s' \subseteq s'' \wedge s'' \subseteq s'$
 $s' \neq s'' \equiv s' \cap s'' \neq \{\}$

```

card s  $\equiv$ 
  if s = {} then 0 else
    let a:A • a  $\in$  s in 1 + card (s \ {a}) end end
  pre s /* is a finite set */
card s  $\equiv$  chaos /* tests for infinity of s */

```

D.3.7 Cartesian Operations

D.3.7.0.0.1 Cartesian Operations:

type

```

A, B, C
g0: G0 = A  $\times$  B  $\times$  C
g1: G1 = ( A  $\times$  B  $\times$  C )
g2: G2 = ( A  $\times$  B )  $\times$  C
g3: G3 = A  $\times$  ( B  $\times$  C )

```

value

```

va:A, vb:B, vc:C, vd:D

```

```

(va,vb,vc):G0,
(va,vb,vc):G1
((va,vb),vc):G2
(va3,(vb3,vc3)):G3

```

decomposition expressions

```

let (a1,b1,c1) = g0,
      (a1',b1',c1') = g1 in .. end
let ((a2,b2),c2) = g2 in .. end
let (a3,(b3,c3)) = g3 in .. end

```

D.3.8 List Operations

D.3.8.1 List Operator Signatures

D.3.8.1.0.1 List Operations:

value

```

hd: A $\omega$   $\leadsto$  A
tl: A $\omega$   $\leadsto$  A $\omega$ 
len: A $\omega$   $\leadsto$  Nat
inds: A $\omega$   $\rightarrow$  Nat-infset
elems: A $\omega$   $\rightarrow$  A-infset
.(.): A $\omega$   $\times$  Nat  $\leadsto$  A
 $\hat{\cdot}$ : A*  $\times$  A $\omega$   $\rightarrow$  A $\omega$ 
=: A $\omega$   $\times$  A $\omega$   $\rightarrow$  Bool
 $\neq$ : A $\omega$   $\times$  A $\omega$   $\rightarrow$  Bool

```

D.3.8.2 List Operation Examples

D.3.8.2.0.1 List Examples:

examples

```

hd $\langle$ a1,a2,...,am $\rangle$ =a1
tl $\langle$ a1,a2,...,am $\rangle$ = $\langle$ a2,...,am $\rangle$ 
len $\langle$ a1,a2,...,am $\rangle$ =m
inds $\langle$ a1,a2,...,am $\rangle$ ={1,2,...,m}
elems $\langle$ a1,a2,...,am $\rangle$ ={a1,a2,...,am}
 $\langle$ a1,a2,...,am $\rangle$ (i)=ai
 $\langle$ a,b,c $\rangle$  $\hat{\cdot}$  $\langle$ a,b,d $\rangle$  =  $\langle$ a,b,c,a,b,d $\rangle$ 
 $\langle$ a,b,c $\rangle$ = $\langle$ a,b,c $\rangle$ 
 $\langle$ a,b,c $\rangle$   $\neq$   $\langle$ a,b,d $\rangle$ 

```

D.3.8.3 Informal Explication

- **hd**: Head gives the first element in a nonempty list.
- **tl**: Tail gives the remaining list of a nonempty list when Head is removed.
- **len**: Length gives the number of elements in a finite list.
- **inds**: Indices give the set of indices from 1 to the length of a nonempty list. For empty lists, this set is the empty set as well.
- **elems**: Elements gives the possibly infinite set of all distinct elements in a list.
- $\ell(i)$: Indexing with a natural number, i larger than 0, into a list ℓ having a number of elements larger than or equal to i , gives the i th element of the list.
- \wedge : Concatenates two operand lists into one. The elements of the left operand list are followed by the elements of the right. The order with respect to each list is maintained.
- $=$: The equal operator expresses that the two operand lists are identical.
- \neq : The nonequal operator expresses that the two operand lists are not identical.

The operations can also be defined as follows:

D.3.8.4 List Operator Definitions

D.3.8.4.0.1 List Operator Definitions:

value

$\text{is_finite_list}: A^\omega \rightarrow \text{Bool}$

$\text{len } q \equiv$
 $\text{case is_finite_list}(q) \text{ of}$
 $\quad \text{true} \rightarrow \text{if } q = \langle \rangle \text{ then } 0 \text{ else } 1 + \text{len } \text{tl } q \text{ end,}$
 $\quad \text{false} \rightarrow \text{chaos end}$

$\text{inds } q \equiv$
 $\text{case is_finite_list}(q) \text{ of}$
 $\quad \text{true} \rightarrow \{ i \mid i:\text{Nat} \cdot 1 \leq i \leq \text{len } q \},$
 $\quad \text{false} \rightarrow \{ i \mid i:\text{Nat} \cdot i \neq 0 \} \text{ end}$

$\text{elems } q \equiv \{ q(i) \mid i:\text{Nat} \cdot i \in \text{inds } q \}$

$q(i) \equiv$
 $\text{if } i=1$
 $\quad \text{then}$
 $\quad \quad \text{if } q \neq \langle \rangle$
 $\quad \quad \quad \text{then let } a:A, q':Q \cdot q = \langle a \rangle \wedge q' \text{ in } a \text{ end}$
 $\quad \quad \quad \text{else chaos end}$
 $\quad \text{else } q(i-1) \text{ end}$

$fq \wedge iq \equiv$
 $\langle \text{if } 1 \leq i \leq \text{len } fq \text{ then } fq(i) \text{ else } iq(i - \text{len } fq) \text{ end}$
 $\quad | i:\text{Nat} \cdot \text{if } \text{len } iq \neq \text{chaos} \text{ then } i \leq \text{len } fq + \text{len } iq \text{ end} \rangle$
 $\text{pre is_finite_list}(fq)$

$iq' = iq'' \equiv$
 $\text{inds } iq' = \text{inds } iq'' \wedge \forall i:\text{Nat} \cdot i \in \text{inds } iq' \Rightarrow iq'(i) = iq''(i)$

$iq' \neq iq'' \equiv \sim(iq' = iq'')$

D.3.9 Map Operations

D.3.9.1 Map Operator Signatures and Map Operation Examples

Map Operations

value
 $m(a): M \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{\sim} B, m(a) = b$

dom: $M \rightarrow A\text{-infset}$ [domain of map]
 $\text{dom } [a1 \mapsto b1, a2 \mapsto b2, \dots, an \mapsto bn] = \{a1, a2, \dots, an\}$

rng: $M \rightarrow B\text{-infset}$ [range of map]
 $\text{rng } [a1 \mapsto b1, a2 \mapsto b2, \dots, an \mapsto bn] = \{b1, b2, \dots, bn\}$

$\dagger: M \times M \rightarrow M$ [override extension]
 $[a \mapsto b, a' \mapsto b', a'' \mapsto b''] \dagger [a' \mapsto b'', a'' \mapsto b'] = [a \mapsto b, a' \mapsto b'', a'' \mapsto b']$

$\cup: M \times M \rightarrow M$ [merge \cup]
 $[a \mapsto b, a' \mapsto b', a'' \mapsto b''] \cup [a''' \mapsto b'''] = [a \mapsto b, a' \mapsto b', a'' \mapsto b'', a''' \mapsto b''']$

$\backslash: M \times A\text{-infset} \rightarrow M$ [restriction by]
 $[a \mapsto b, a' \mapsto b', a'' \mapsto b''] \backslash \{a\} = [a' \mapsto b', a'' \mapsto b'']$

$/: M \times A\text{-infset} \rightarrow M$ [restriction to]
 $[a \mapsto b, a' \mapsto b', a'' \mapsto b''] / \{a', a''\} = [a' \mapsto b', a'' \mapsto b'']$

$=, \neq: M \times M \rightarrow \text{Bool}$

$\circ: (A \xrightarrow{m} B) \times (B \xrightarrow{m} C) \rightarrow (A \xrightarrow{m} C)$ [composition]
 $[a \mapsto b, a' \mapsto b'] \circ [b \mapsto c, b' \mapsto c', b'' \mapsto c''] = [a \mapsto c, a' \mapsto c']$

D.3.9.2 Map Operation Explication

- $m(a)$: Application gives the element that a maps to in the map m .
- **dom**: Domain/Definition Set gives the set of values which maps to in a map.
- **rng**: Range/Image Set gives the set of values which are mapped to in a map.
- \dagger : Override/Extend. When applied to two operand maps, it gives the map which is like an override of the left operand map by all or some “pairings” of the right operand map.
- \cup : Merge. When applied to two operand maps, it gives a merge of these maps.
- \backslash : Restriction. When applied to two operand maps, it gives the map which is a restriction of the left operand map to the elements that are not in the right operand set.
- $/$: Restriction. When applied to two operand maps, it gives the map which is a restriction of the left operand map to the elements of the right operand set.
- $=$: The equal operator expresses that the two operand maps are identical.
- \neq : The nonequal operator expresses that the two operand maps are not identical.
- \circ : Composition. When applied to two operand maps, it gives the map from definition set elements of the left operand map, m_1 , to the range elements of the right operand map, m_2 , such that if a is in the definition set of m_1 and maps into b , and if b is in the definition set of m_2 and maps into c , then a , in the composition, maps into c .

D.3.9.3 Map Operation Redefinitions

The map operations can also be defined as follows:

D.3.9.3.0.1 Map Operation Redefinitions:

value

$$\text{rng } m \equiv \{ m(a) \mid a:A \cdot a \in \text{dom } m \}$$

$$m1 \dot{+} m2 \equiv [a \mapsto b \mid a:A, b:B \cdot a \in \text{dom } m1 \setminus \text{dom } m2 \wedge b=m1(a) \vee a \in \text{dom } m2 \wedge b=m2(a)]$$

$$m1 \cup m2 \equiv [a \mapsto b \mid a:A, b:B \cdot a \in \text{dom } m1 \wedge b=m1(a) \vee a \in \text{dom } m2 \wedge b=m2(a)]$$

$$m \setminus s \equiv [a \mapsto m(a) \mid a:A \cdot a \in \text{dom } m \setminus s]$$

$$m / s \equiv [a \mapsto m(a) \mid a:A \cdot a \in \text{dom } m \cap s]$$

$$m1 = m2 \equiv \text{dom } m1 = \text{dom } m2 \wedge \forall a:A \cdot a \in \text{dom } m1 \Rightarrow m1(a) = m2(a)$$

$$m1 \neq m2 \equiv \sim(m1 = m2)$$

$$m^\circ n \equiv [a \mapsto c \mid a:A, c:C \cdot a \in \text{dom } m \wedge c = n(m(a))]$$

$$\text{pre rng } m \subseteq \text{dom } n$$

D.4 λ -Calculus + FunctionsD.4.1 The λ -Calculus SyntaxD.4.1.0.0.1 λ -Calculus Syntax:**type** /* A BNF Syntax: */

$$\langle L \rangle ::= \langle V \rangle \mid \langle F \rangle \mid \langle A \rangle \mid (\langle A \rangle)$$

$$\langle V \rangle ::= /* \text{variables, i.e. identifiers} */$$

$$\langle F \rangle ::= \lambda \langle V \rangle \cdot \langle L \rangle$$

$$\langle A \rangle ::= (\langle L \rangle \langle L \rangle)$$

value /* Examples */

$$\langle L \rangle: e, f, a, \dots$$

$$\langle V \rangle: x, \dots$$

$$\langle F \rangle: \lambda x \cdot e, \dots$$

$$\langle A \rangle: f a, (f a), f(a), (f)(a), \dots$$

D.4.2 Free and Bound Variables

D.4.2.0.0.1 **Free and Bound Variables:** Let x, y be variable names and e, f be λ -expressions.

- $\langle V \rangle$: Variable x is free in x .
- $\langle F \rangle$: x is free in $\lambda y \cdot e$ if $x \neq y$ and x is free in e .
- $\langle A \rangle$: x is free in $f(e)$ if it is free in either f or e (i.e., also in both).

D.4.3 Substitution

In RSL, the following rules for substitution apply:

D.4.3.0.0.1 **Substitution:**

- **subst**([N/x]x) \equiv N;
- **subst**([N/x]a) \equiv a,
for all variables $a \neq x$;
- **subst**([N/x](P Q)) \equiv (**subst**([N/x]P) **subst**([N/x]Q));
- **subst**([N/x]($\lambda x.P$)) $\equiv \lambda y.P$;
- **subst**([N/x]($\lambda y.P$)) $\equiv \lambda y.$ **subst**([N/x]P),
if $x \neq y$ and y is not free in N or x is not free in P;
- **subst**([N/x]($\lambda y.P$)) $\equiv \lambda z.$ **subst**([N/z]**subst**([z/y]P)),
if $y \neq x$ and y is free in N and x is free in P
(where z is not free in (N P)).

D.4.4 α -Renaming and β -ReductionD.4.4.0.0.1 α and β Conversions:

- α -renaming: $\lambda x.M$
If x, y are distinct variables then replacing x by y in $\lambda x.M$ results in $\lambda y.$ **subst**([y/x]M). We can rename the formal parameter of a λ -function expression provided that no free variables of its body M thereby become bound.
- β -reduction: $(\lambda x.M)(N)$
All free occurrences of x in M are replaced by the expression N provided that no free variables of N thereby become bound in the result. $(\lambda x.M)(N) \equiv$ **subst**([N/x]M)

D.4.5 Function Signatures

For sorts we may want to postulate some functions:

D.4.5.0.0.1 **Sorts and Function Signatures:**

type

A, B, C

value

obs_B: $A \rightarrow B$,

obs_C: $A \rightarrow C$,

gen_A: $B \times C \rightarrow A$

D.4.6 Function Definitions

Functions can be defined explicitly:

D.4.6.0.0.1 **Explicit Function Definitions:**

value

f: Arguments \rightarrow Result

f(args) \equiv DValueExpr

g: Arguments \leadsto Result

g(args) \equiv ValueAndStateChangeClause

pre P(args)

Or functions can be defined implicitly:

D.4.6.0.0.2 Implicit Function Definitions:

value

f: Arguments \rightarrow Result
 f(args) as result
 post P1(args,result)

g: Arguments \leadsto Result
 g(args) as result
 pre P2(args)
 post P3(args,result)

The symbol \leadsto indicates that the function is partial and thus not defined for all arguments. Partial functions should be assisted by preconditions stating the criteria for arguments to be meaningful to the function.

D.5 Other Applicative Expressions

D.5.1 Simple let Expressions

Simple (i.e., nonrecursive) **let** expressions:

D.5.1.0.0.1 Let Expressions:

let a = \mathcal{E}_d **in** $\mathcal{E}_b(a)$ **end**

is an “expanded” form of:

$(\lambda a. \mathcal{E}_b(a))(\mathcal{E}_d)$

D.5.2 Recursive let Expressions

Recursive **let** expressions are written as:

D.5.2.0.0.1 Recursive let Expressions:

let f = $\lambda a:A \cdot E(f)$ **in** B(f,a) **end**

is “the same” as:

let f = YF **in** B(f,a) **end**

where:

$F \equiv \lambda g. \lambda a. (E(g))$ and $YF = F(YF)$

D.5.3 Predicative let Expressions

Predicative **let** expressions:

D.5.3.0.0.1 Predicative let Expressions:

let a:A $\cdot \mathcal{P}(a)$ **in** B(a) **end**

express the selection of a value a of type A which satisfies a predicate $\mathcal{P}(a)$ for evaluation in the body B(a).

D.5.4 Pattern and “Wild Card” let Expressions

Patterns and wild cards can be used:

D.5.4.0.0.1 Patterns:

```

let {a} ∪ s = set in ... end
let {a,_} ∪ s = set in ... end

let (a,b,...,c) = cart in ... end
let (a,_,...,c) = cart in ... end

let ⟨a⟩ℓ = list in ... end
let ⟨a,_,b⟩ℓ = list in ... end

let [a→b] ∪ m = map in ... end
let [a→b,_] ∪ m = map in ... end

```

D.5.5 Conditionals

Various kinds of conditional expressions are offered by RSL:

D.5.5.0.0.1 Conditionals:

```

if b_expr then c_expr else a_expr
end

if b_expr then c_expr end ≡ /* same as: */
  if b_expr then c_expr else skip end

if b_expr_1 then c_expr_1
elseif b_expr_2 then c_expr_2
elseif b_expr_3 then c_expr_3
...
elseif b_expr_n then c_expr_n end

case expr of
  choice_pattern_1 → expr_1,
  choice_pattern_2 → expr_2,
  ...
  choice_pattern_n_or_wild_card → expr_n
end

```

D.5.6 Operator/Operand Expressions

D.5.6.0.0.1 Operator/Operand Expressions:

```

⟨Expr⟩ ::=
  ⟨Prefix_Op⟩ ⟨Expr⟩
  | ⟨Expr⟩ ⟨Infix_Op⟩ ⟨Expr⟩
  | ⟨Expr⟩ ⟨Suffix_Op⟩
  | ...
⟨Prefix_Op⟩ ::=
  - | ~ | ∪ | ∩ | card | len | inds | elems | hd | tl | dom | rng
⟨Infix_Op⟩ ::=

```

$$= | \neq | \equiv | + | - | * | \uparrow | / | < | \leq | \geq | > | \wedge | \vee | \Rightarrow$$

$$| \in | \notin | \cup | \cap | \setminus | \subset | \subseteq | \supseteq | \supset | \wedge^+ | \dagger | ^\circ$$

$\langle \text{Suffix_Op} \rangle ::= !$

D.6 Imperative Constructs

D.6.1 Statements and State Changes

Often, following the RAISE method, software development starts with highly abstract-applicative constructs which, through stages of refinements, are turned into concrete and imperative constructs. Imperative constructs are thus inevitable in RSL.

D.6.1.0.0.1 Statements and State Change:

Unit
value
 stmt: **Unit** \rightarrow **Unit**
 stmt()

- Statements accept no arguments.
- Statement execution changes the state (of declared variables).
- **Unit** \rightarrow **Unit** designates a function from states to states.
- Statements, **stmt**, denote state-to-state changing functions.
- Writing () as “only” arguments to a function “means” that () is an argument of type **Unit**.

D.6.2 Variables and Assignment

D.6.2.0.0.1 Variables and Assignment:

0. **variable** v:Type := expression
1. v := expr

D.6.3 Statement Sequences and skip

Sequencing is expressed using the ‘;’ operator. **skip** is the empty statement having no value or side-effect.

D.6.3.0.0.1 Statement Sequences and skip:

2. **skip**
3. stm_1;stm_2;...;stm_n

D.6.4 Imperative Conditionals

D.6.4.0.0.1 Imperative Conditionals:

4. **if** expr **then** stm_c **else** stm_a **end**
5. **case** e **of**: p_1 \rightarrow S_1(p_1),...,p_n \rightarrow S_n(p_n) **end**

D.6.5 Iterative Conditionals

D.6.5.0.0.1 Iterative Conditionals:

6. **while** expr **do** stm **end**
7. **do** stmt **until** expr **end**

D.6.6 Iterative Sequencing**D.6.6.0.0.1 Iterative Sequencing:**

8. **for** e **in** $list_expr \cdot P(b)$ **do** $S(b)$ **end**

D.7 Process Constructs**D.7.1 Process Channels**

Let A and B stand for two types of (channel) messages and $i:KIdx$ for channel array indexes, then:

D.7.1.0.0.1 Process Channels:

```
channel c:A
channel { k[i]:B • i:Idx }
channel { k[i,j,...,k]:B • i:Idx,j:Jdx,...,k:Kdx }
```

declare a channel, c , and a set (an array) of channels, $k[i]$, capable of communicating values of the designated types (A and B).

D.7.2 Process Composition

Let P and Q stand for names of process functions, i.e., of functions which express willingness to engage in input and/or output events, thereby communicating over declared channels. Let $P()$ and Q stand for process expressions, then:

D.7.2.0.0.1 Process Composition:

```
P || Q   Parallel composition
P [] Q   Nondeterministic external choice (either/or)
P [] Q   Nondeterministic internal choice (either/or)
P ⧻ Q   Interlock parallel composition
```

express the parallel ($||$) of two processes, or the nondeterministic choice between two processes: either external ($[]$) or internal ($[]$). The interlock (⧻) composition expresses that the two processes are forced to communicate only with one another, until one of them terminates.

D.7.3 Input/Output Events

Let c , $k[i]$ and e designate channels of type A and B , then:

D.7.3.0.0.1 Input/Output Events:

```
c ?, k[i] ?   Input
c ! e, k[i] ! e Output
```

expresses the willingness of a process to engage in an event that “reads” an input, respectively “writes” an output.

D.7.4 Process Definitions

The below signatures are just examples. They emphasise that process functions must somehow express, in their signature, via which channels they wish to engage in input and output events.

D.7.4.0.0.1 **Process Definitions:****value** $P: \text{Unit} \rightarrow \text{in } c \text{ out } k[i]$ **Unit** $Q: i:KIdx \rightarrow \text{out } c \text{ in } k[i] \text{ Unit}$ $P() \equiv \dots c ? \dots k[i] ! e \dots$ $Q(i) \equiv \dots k[i] ? \dots c ! e \dots$

The process function definitions (i.e., their bodies) express possible events.

D.8 Simple RSL Specifications

Often, we do not want to encapsulate small specifications in schemas, classes, and objects, as is often done in RSL. An RSL specification is simply a sequence of one or more types, values (including functions), variables, channels and axioms:

D.8.0.0.0.1 **Simple RSL Specifications:****type**

...

variable

...

channel

...

value

...

axiom

...

D.9 RSL Module Specifications**D.9.1 Modules**

Modules are clusters of one or more declarations:

Id =

class

declaration_1

declaration_2

...

declaration_n

end

where **declarations** are either

- types
- values
- axioms
- variables
- channels
- modules

By a **class** we mean a possibly infinite set of one or more mathematical entities satisfying the declarations.

D.9.2 Schemes

```

scheme ld =
  class
    declaration_1
    declaration_2
    ...
    declaration_n
  end

```

By a **scheme** we mean a named possibly infinite set of one or more mathematical entities satisfying the declarations.

D.9.3 Module Extension

```

ld = extend ld_1,ld_2,...,ld_m with
  class
    declaration_1
    declaration_2
    ...
    declaration_n
  end

```

Usually we make sure that the extensions are conservative [341, 144, 100, 20, 243, 161].
Etcetera !

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