



# Translating Timed I/O Automata to PVS

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# Project Goals

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- Develop formal framework for modeling and reasoning about complex, interacting systems
  - Timing-dependent behavior: schedules, deadlines
  - Hybrid behavior: continuous interactions
  - Probabilistic behavior
- Build language for specifying formal models
  - Extend of IOA language
- Build Tool support based on the specification language
  - Interface to Theorem Provers
  - Simulator
  - Model checking

# Flavors of I/O automaton models



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- Infinite state automata with external interface, abstraction, composition
- Basic IOA (synchronous distributed algorithms)
  - Sequential order of actions, no timing information
  - Interaction through shared actions
- TIOA (timing based systems, hybrid systems || environment)
  - Actions and trajectories
  - Trajectories may describe complex continuous dynamics
  - No continuous interaction between components
- HIOA (embedded systems, software + physical processes)
  - Continuous interactions through shared variables
- PIOA, PTIOA, PHIOA (security protocols, stochastic hybrid systems)
  - Probabilistic transitions, trajectories, ...

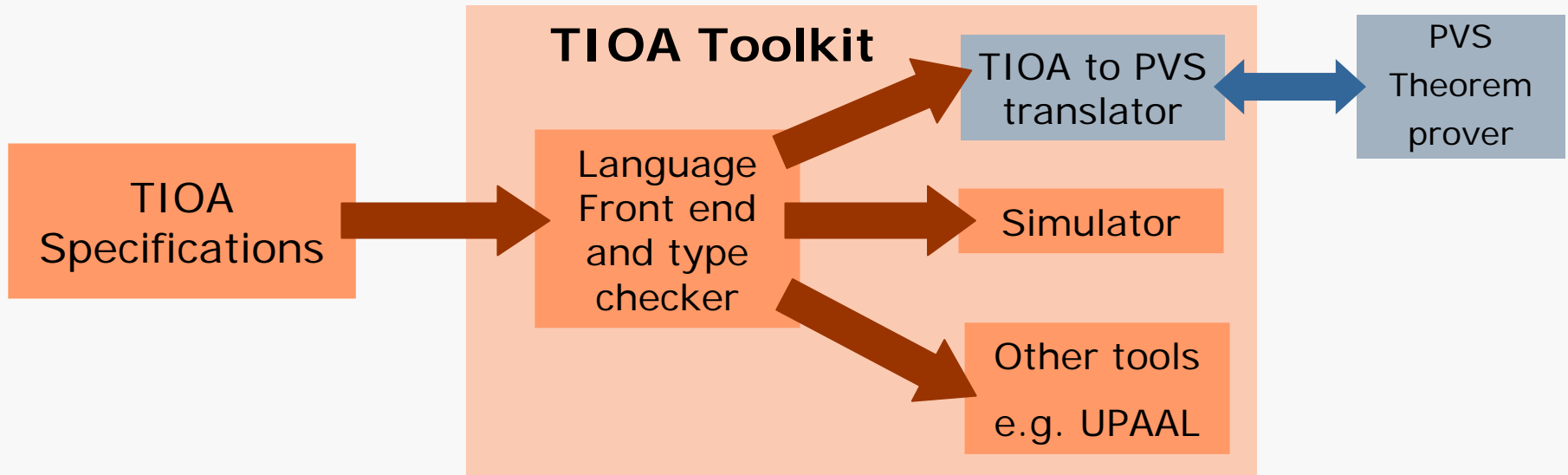
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- *Timed I/O Automaton* [Kaynar,Lynch,Segala,Vaandrager]
  - State variables  $X$  (+ input/output variables = HIOA)
  - Start states  $\Theta$
  - Actions  $A$ , partitioned into *input*, *output*, and *internal* subsets
  - Discrete transitions  $D$ ,  $(\mathbf{x}, a, \mathbf{x}')$
  - Trajectories  $T$ ,  $\tau$  maps interval of time to variable values
  
- Executions  $\alpha = \tau_0 a_1 \tau_1 a_2 \tau_2 \dots a_n \tau_n$
  
- Invariant properties, proof by induction
  
- Traces
  
- Simulation relations: sufficient conditions for  $traces(A) \subseteq traces(B)$
  
- Composition,  $A || B$   
 $traces(A) \subseteq traces(B) \Rightarrow traces(A || C) \subseteq traces(B || C)$

# Two task example

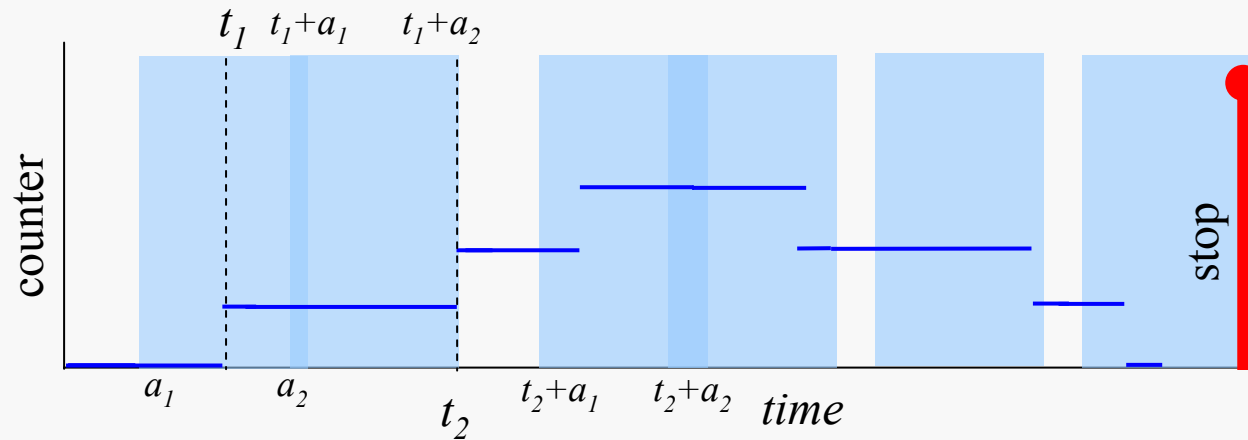
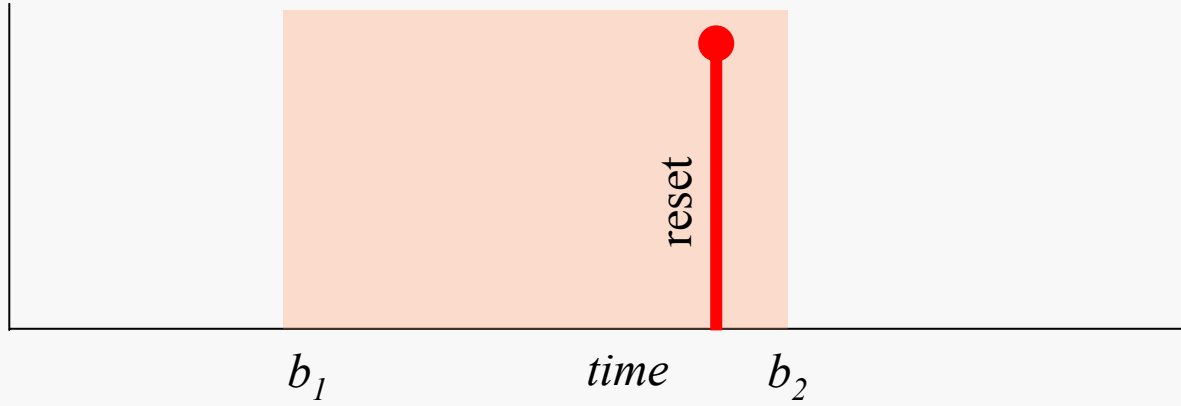


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## □ Variables

- $count, flag, t$
- $u\_reset, l\_reset$
- $u\_count, l\_count$

## □ + action

- Precondition:
  - $not\ flag\ and\ t \geq l\_count$
- Effect:
  - $count++$
  - $l\_count = t + a_1$
  - $u\_count = t + a_2$

## □ *reset* action

- Precondition:
  - $not\ flag\ and\ t \geq l\_reset$
- Effect:
  - $flag = true$

## □ *trajdef*

- Evolve:  $d(t) = l$
- Stop when:  $t = u\_count$  or  $t = u\_reset$



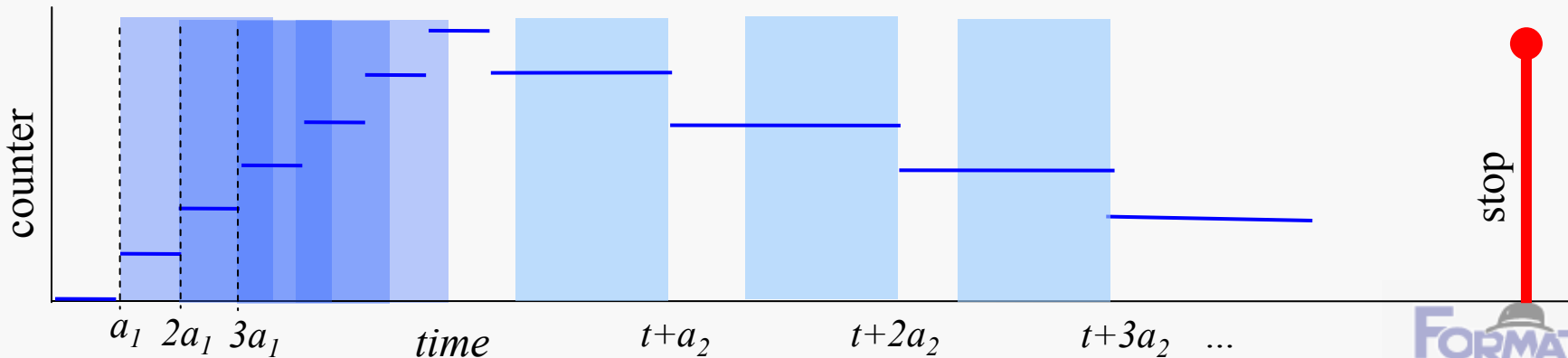
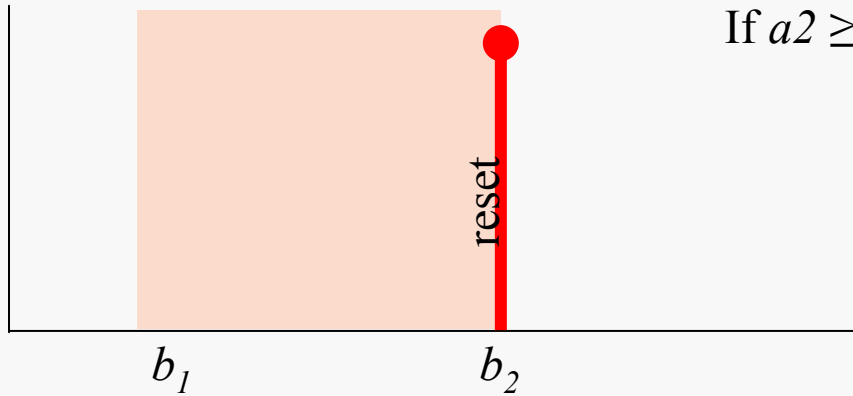
# Upper bound for stop



How late can it *stop* ?  $b_2 + a_2 + \frac{b_2 a_2}{a_1}$

How early ?

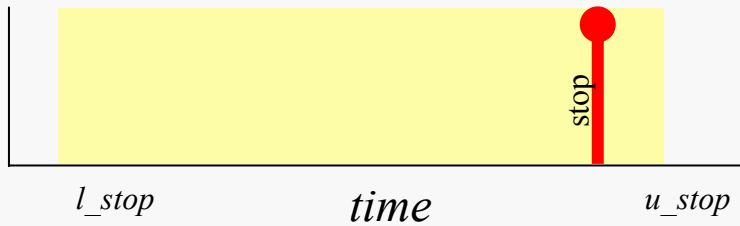
If  $a_2 \geq b_1$  then  $a_1$  else  $\min(b_1, a_1) + \frac{(b_1 - a_1)a_1}{a_2}$



# Case studies: Two task example



$B$



- Abstract automaton  $B$  with one action *stop*

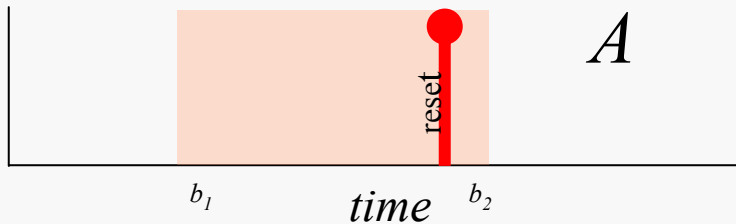
- $u_{stop} = b_2 + a_2 + \frac{b_2 a_2}{a_1}$

- $l_{stop} = \text{if } a_2 \geq b_1 \text{ then } a_1 \text{ else}$

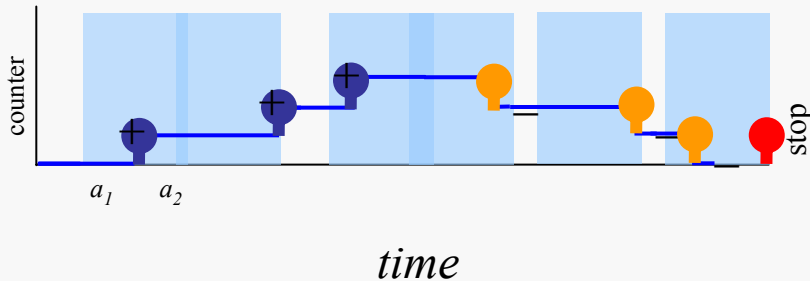
$$\min(b_1, a_1) + \frac{(b_1 - a_1)a_1}{a_2}$$

- Prove trace inclusion (time bounds for *stop*) with simulation relations

- Prove forward simulation  $R \subseteq Q_A \times Q_B$



$A$



# Simulation Relation



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$$\sim flag \wedge l\_count \leq u\_reset \rightarrow u\_stop \geq u\_reset + a_2(count + 2 + (u\_reset - l\_count)/a_1)$$

$$flag \vee l\_count > u\_reset \rightarrow u\_stop \geq u\_count + a_2 count$$

$$\sim flag \wedge u\_count < l\_reset \rightarrow l\_stop \leq \min(l\_reset, l\_count) + a_1(count + (l\_reset - u\_count)/a_2)$$

$$flag \vee u\_count \geq l\_reset \rightarrow l\_stop \leq l\_count + a_1 count$$

- Requires creativity/insight to come up with the right  $R$
- Proof by induction
  1. There are related start states
  2. Every action/trajectory of  $A$  can be emulated by an execution fragment of  $B$  with the same trace.
- Use PVS prover [SRI] for proving interactively
- Strategies set up the induction and case analysis automatically
- Nonlinear real inequalities handled by *Field* and *Manip* strategy packages[Muñoz, deVito]



- Stylized proofs lead to partial automation [Archer, Mitra 05]
- Proof management ( E.g., ABD implementation [Chockler,Lynch,Mitra, Tauber,DISC'05])
- Rechecking proofs after making changes to spec
- Generation of human readable proofs
  
- Rewrite TIOA specs for the theorem prover! Different language and style.
  
- Why not specify automata directly in PVS ?
  - TIOA provides structures for natural description of automata
    - Programs for effects as opposed to functions or relations
    - Differential equations and stopping conditions for trajectories
  - Other TIOA tools

# States and Actions



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## TIOA

- States variables →
- Initial state →
- Actions →
- Preconditions →
  
- Effects →
- Trajdefs →

## PVS

tuple of variables  
predicate on state variables  
new datatype called *actions*  
predicates on state variables, action  
parameters, automaton parameters  
...  
...

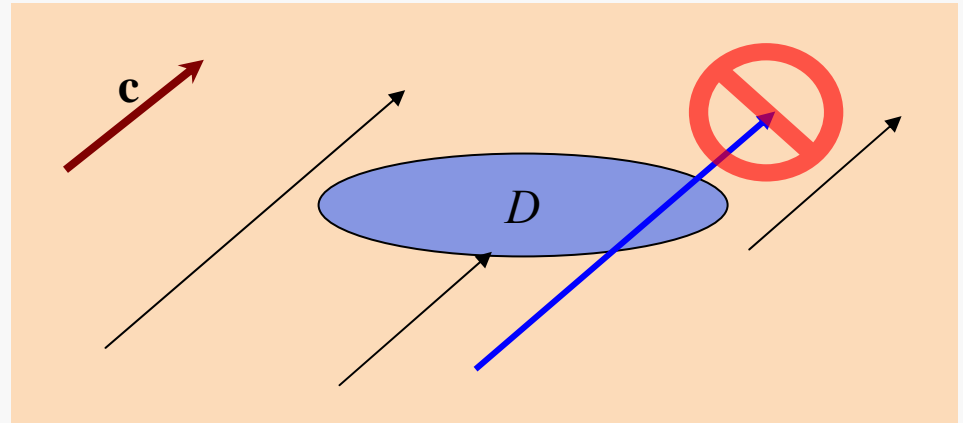


- TIOA effects are nondeterministic, e.g.,  
*plus\_something()*: **effect**  $x := x + \mathbf{choose} [1,5]$ ;
- TIOA effects are programs with operational semantics:  
 $x := x + 5; y := 2.x; \dots$
- We want the PVS effects to be functions:
  - *plus*( $k \in [1,5]$ ):  $x' := x + k$
  - Substitution:  
 $x' = x + 5; y' = 2(x + 5)$
  - PVS assignments:  
 $s' = \text{LET } s := s \text{ WITH } [x := x(s) + 5] \text{ in}$   
 $\text{LET } s := s \text{ WITH } [y := 2 \times x(s)] \text{ in } s$



## □ Trajdef $\rightarrow$ *time\_elapse* action

- Trajdef
- **Evolve:**  $d(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{c}$
- **Stop when:**  $\mathbf{x} \in D$
  
- PVS action
- $\text{time\_elapse}(t: \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0}, \tau: [0, t] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2)$
- Enabled if
  - for all  $t_1 \in [0, t]$ ,
    - If  $\tau(t_1) \in D$  then  $t_1 = t$
    - $\tau(t_1) = \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c} t_1$
- Effect
  - $s' = \tau(t)$





## □ Works for general *trajdefs*

- Trajdef
- Evolve:  $d(\mathbf{x}) = c\mathbf{x}$
- Stop when:  $\mathbf{x} \in D$
  
- PVS action
- $\text{time\_elapse}(dt:R^{\geq 0}, \tau: [0,t] \rightarrow R^2)$
- Enabled at s If
  - for all  $t_1 \in [0,t]$ ,
    - If  $\tau(t_1) \in D$  then  $t_1 = t$
    - $\tau(t_1) = \mathbf{x} e^{ct_1}$
- Effect
  - $s' = \tau(t)$





# Case Studies

# Fischer's Mutual Exclusion Algorithm



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- $N$  processes, each go through *try*, *test*, *etc.*, to get to *critical*
- Transitions determined by deadlines
- Single TIOA written as the composition of  $N$  automata
- Safety property: no two processes are *critical* simultaneously
  
- Automata and properties translated to PVS
- Invariant proved using induction



- Small Aircraft Transportation System (SATS) [Muñoz, NASA]
  - Discrete model: airport space partitioned into several logical zones
  - Each zones represented by a queue
  - Transitions represent aircrafts moving from one zone to another
  - Various constraints on transitions
- Safety property: upper bound on the number of aircrafts in each zone
- TIOA description of system
  - Special operators declared in TIOA and defined in PVS, e.g. recursive functions
- Translated to PVS
- Properties written directly in PVS and proved



- ABD atomic register implementation
  - Read and write quorums for 2 phase reads and writes
  - Partial functions & graphs
  
- Proof of correctness using an abstract Partial Order automaton
- Simulation proof, ABD implements PO-automaton
  
- Directly coded in PVS

# Conclusion

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- Translator is part of TIOA toolkit, implemented in Java  
Available from: <http://web.mit.edu/hongping/www/tioa/tioa2pvs-translator/>
  
- Future directions:
  - Extend translator
    - systems with linear dynamics
    - composed TIOAs
  - Develop new PVS strategies
  - New case studies
    - Linear hybrid systems
    - Atomic registers implementations
    - Continuous SATS