



# Concurrent Process Expressions

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# Composition/Product of LTS

structural: *flow graphs*

behavioral: graphs (model) vs algebra (syntax)

*design decisions:*

- what is interaction / synchronization ?
  - *two-way vs multi-way*
  - *must vs may*
- what is external / internal ?
  - *implicitly hidden vs explicit hiding*

# “Structural” Product

- **flow graphs** depict the structure of a system: the **linkage** among components i.e., their externally visible buttons
- only informal use, here . . .

$$A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} a.A'$$

$$A' \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bar{b}.A$$

$$B \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} b.B'$$

$$B' \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bar{c}.B$$

# “Behavioral” Product

Let  $A_i = (Q_i, T_i)$  be two LTS over  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{N} \cup \overline{\mathcal{N}}$ .

$$A_1 \times A_2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} ( \text{st}(Q_1, Q_2), \text{tr}(T_1, T_2) )$$

$$\text{st}(Q_1, Q_2) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} Q_1 \times Q_2 = \{ (q_1, q_2) \mid q_1 \in Q_1 \wedge q_2 \in Q_2 \}$$

$$\text{tr}(T_1, T_2) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bigcup \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \{ ((q_1, q_2), a, (q'_1, q_2)) \mid (q_1, a, q'_1) \in T_1 \} \\ \{ ((q_1, q_2), a, (q_1, q'_2)) \mid (q_2, a, q'_2) \in T_2 \} \\ \{ ((q_1, q_2), a, (q'_1, q'_2)) \mid \dots \} \end{array} \right\}$$

Compute the product  $A \times B$  of the example.

# Concurrent Process Expressions

$\mathcal{I}$  process identifiers  $A, B \dots$

$\mathcal{N}$  names  $a, b, c \dots$

$\overline{\mathcal{N}}$  co-names  $\bar{a}, \bar{b}, \bar{c} \dots$

$\mathcal{L}$  labels (buttons)  $:= \mathcal{N} \cup \overline{\mathcal{N}}$

$\mathcal{A}$  actions metavariables  $\alpha, \beta \dots \in \underline{\mathcal{L} \cup \{\tau\}}$

- **finite sequences**  $\vec{a} \dots$
- **parametric processes**  $A\langle a, c \rangle \dots$
- **defining equations**  $A(\vec{a}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \dots$

# Concurrent Process Expressions (II)

**Definition:** The set  $\mathcal{P}$  of conc. proc. exp. is defined (precisely) by the following BNF-syntax:

$$\begin{aligned} P & ::= A\langle \vec{a} \rangle \quad | \quad M \quad | \quad P|P \quad | \quad (\nu a) P \\ M & ::= \mathbf{0} \quad | \quad \alpha.P \quad | \quad M + M \end{aligned}$$

We use  $P, Q, P_i$  to stand for process expressions.

- $(\nu a) P$  restricts the scope of  $a$  to  $P$
- $(\nu ab) P$  abbreviates  $(\nu a) (\nu b) P$
- $\sum_{i \in \{1..n\}} \alpha_i.P_i$  abbreviates  $\alpha_1.P_1 + \dots + \alpha_n.P_n$

# Concurrent Process Expressions (III)

- precedence: unary binds tighter than binary

$$(\nu a) P \mid Q = ((\nu a) P) \mid Q$$

$$a.P + M = (a.P) + M$$

$$P \mid Q + R = (P \mid Q) + R$$

$$P + Q \mid R = P + (Q \mid R)$$

$$\{a/b\} M_1 + M_2 = (\{a/b\} M_1) + M_2$$

# Bound and Free Names

- $(\nu a) P$  **binds**  $a$  in  $P$
- $a$  occurs **bound** in  $P$ ,  
if it occurs in a subterm  $(\nu a) Q$  of  $P$
- $a$  occurs **free** in  $P$ ,  
if it occurs without enclosing  $(\nu a) Q$  in  $P$
- Define  $\text{fn}(P)$  and  $\text{bn}(P)$  inductively on  $\mathcal{P}$   
(sets of free/bound names of  $P$ ):

$$\text{fn}(P_1 | P_2) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \dots$$

$$\text{fn}((\nu a) P) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \dots$$



# $\alpha$ -Conversion & Substitution

- **substitution**  $\{\vec{b}/\vec{a}\}P$  (for matching  $\vec{b}$  and  $\vec{a}$ ) replaces *all free* occurrences of  $a_i$  in  $P$  by  $b_i$ .

$$\{b/a\}(\nu b) b.a = ?$$

- **$\alpha$ -conversion**, written  $=_\alpha$ :  
conflict-free **renaming of bound names**  
(no new name-bindings shall be generated)
- **substitution**  $\{\vec{b}/\vec{a}\}P$  (for matching  $\vec{b}$  and  $\vec{a}$ ) replaces *all free* occurrences of  $a_i$  in  $P$  by  $b_i$ , possibly enforcing  $\alpha$ -conversion.

# Examples

$$\begin{aligned}(\nu a) (\bar{a}.0 | b.0) &=_{\alpha} (\nu c) (\bar{c}.0 | b.0) \\ &=_{\alpha} (\nu b) (\bar{b}.0 | b.0)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\{^a/b\} ( (\nu b) \bar{b}.0 | b.0 ) &=_{\alpha} ( (\nu b) \bar{a}.0 | a.0 ) \\ &=_{\alpha} ( (\nu b) \bar{b}.0 | a.0 )\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\{^a/b\} ( (\nu a) \bar{b}.a.0 | b.0 ) &=_{\alpha} ( (\nu a) \bar{a}.a.0 | a.0 ) \\ &=_{\alpha} ( (\nu c) \bar{a}.c.0 | a.0 )\end{aligned}$$

# Reaction, Informally . . .

- concurrent execution of two complementary actions within a process term, i.e., within the LTS associated with it.
- reaction is non-deterministic:

$$P = (\nu a) ( a.Q_1 + b.Q_2 \mid \bar{a}.0 ) \mid \bar{b}.R_1 + \bar{a}.R_2$$

$$P \rightarrow$$

$$P \rightarrow$$

$$P \not\rightarrow$$

- find a way to **compute** the reactions . . .