Generic Instantiation and Tool Support

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Tackling the complexity of systems modelling

Abrial and Hallerstede (2007)

... modeling a large and complex computer system results in a large and complex model. ... proofs will be more and more difficult to perform as models become inevitably larger and larger.

... We present three techniques, refinement, decomposition, and instantiation, that we consider indispensable for modeling large and complex systems.

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- Generic instantiation:
 - R. Silva and M. Butler: Supporting Reuse of Event-B Developments through Generic Instantiation. (ICFEM 2009)
 - Ulyana Tikhonova at. al. (Rodin Workshop 2013) (this morning)

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- Reuse model: Instantiating to S = E(T) and c = F(T, d)

 $B(T,d) \Rightarrow A(E(T),F(T,d))$

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- Instantiation: *MESSAGE* = *ID* × *INFO*, *maxsize* = 3
- To be proved:

 $\operatorname{finite}(\mathit{ID}) \land \operatorname{finite}(\mathit{INFO}) \ \Rightarrow \ \operatorname{finite}(\mathit{ID} \times \mathit{INFO}) \land 3 \in \mathbb{N}1$





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Demo

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Train Control Example (1)



train's area

Typical modelling style using variables

 $\begin{array}{l} \textit{trains} \subseteq \textit{TRAIN_ID} \\ \textit{head} \in \textit{trains} \rightarrow \textit{SECTION} \\ \textit{rear} \in \textit{trains} \rightarrow \textit{SECTION} \\ \textit{area} \in \textit{trains} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(\textit{SECTION}) \\ \textit{connection} \in \textit{trains} \rightarrow (\textit{SECTION} \rightarrow \textit{SECTION}) \end{array}$

Train Control Example (2)

- Trains can be represented by some abstract data type (e.g., sequence of sections *SEQUENCE*).
- Operations with sequences:
 - Extend head: extend ∈ SEQUENCE × SECTION → SEQUENCE
 - Remove rear: *front* ∈ *SEQUENCE* → *SEQUENCE*
 - Disjointness: $s_1 \mapsto s_2 \in disjoint$
 - Sub-sequence: $s_1 \mapsto s_2 \in subset$
- Properties of sequences

 $\begin{array}{l} \forall s_1, s_2, s_3 \\ s_1 \mapsto s_2 \in \textit{subset} \land s_2 \mapsto s_3 \in \textit{disjoint} \ \Rightarrow \ s_1 \mapsto s_3 \in \textit{disjoint} \end{array}$

 $\forall s_1, s_2 \cdot s_1 \mapsto s_2 \in disjoint \Rightarrow s_2 \mapsto s_1 \in disjoint$

Summary

- Plug-in on sourceforge: http://sourceforge.net/projects/gen-inst/
- Instantiation enables abstraction with models' parameters.
- Context instantiation as a part of the development?

