

# Resume

- Started with looking at a particular process calculus, Milner's CCS (Calculus of Communicating Systems)
- Some operators and rules for transitions: . prefix,  $\sum$ ,  $|$ ,  $\backslash K$

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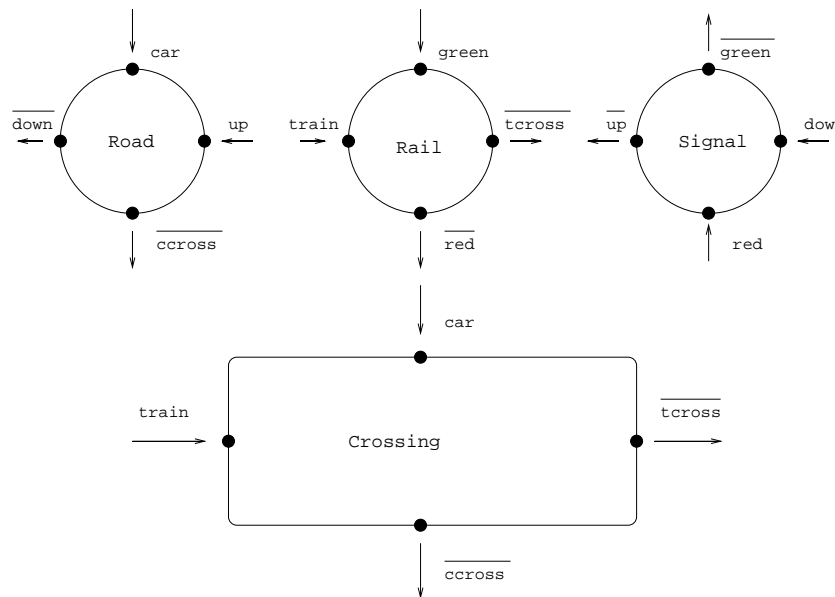
- Transition Graphs and Flow Graphs

## Example

$P \equiv F$  means that  $P$  abbreviates  $F$ .

Road	$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$	$\text{car.up}.\overline{\text{ccross}}.\overline{\text{down}}.\text{Road}$
Rail	$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$	$\text{train.green}.\overline{\text{tcross}}.\overline{\text{red}}.\text{Rail}$
Signal	$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$	$\overline{\text{green}}.\text{red}.\text{Signal} + \overline{\text{up}}.\text{down}.\text{Signal}$
Crossing	$\equiv$	$(\text{Road} \mid \text{Rail} \mid \text{Signal}) \setminus K$
$K$	$=$	$\{\text{green}, \text{red}, \text{up}, \text{down}\}$

# Flow Graphs



## Protocol that may lose messages

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sender} &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{in}(x).\overline{\text{sm}}(x).\text{Send1}(x) \\ \text{Send1}(x) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{ms}.\overline{\text{sm}}(x).\text{Send1}(x) + \text{ok}.\text{Sender} \\ \text{Medium} &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{sm}(y).\text{Med1}(y) \\ \text{Med1}(y) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \overline{\text{mr}}(y).\text{Medium} + \tau.\overline{\text{ms}}.\text{Medium} \\ \text{Receiver} &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{mr}(x).\overline{\text{out}}(x).\overline{\text{ok}}.\text{Receiver} \\ \text{Protocol} &\equiv (\text{Sender} \mid \text{Medium} \mid \text{Receiver}) \setminus \{\text{sm}, \text{ms}, \text{mr}, \text{ok}\} \end{aligned}$$

## Abstracting from silent activity

Difference between  $\tau$  and “observable” actions.

Assume  $E$  may at some time perform  $ok$

$$(E \mid \overline{ok}.Resource) \setminus \{ok\}$$

Access to Resource is triggered by  $ok$  by  $E$

Observation of  $ok$  = release of Resource

$\tau$  cannot be observed in this way

## Observable transitions

$E \xRightarrow{\varepsilon} F$  or  $E \xRightarrow{a} F$  where  $a \neq \tau$

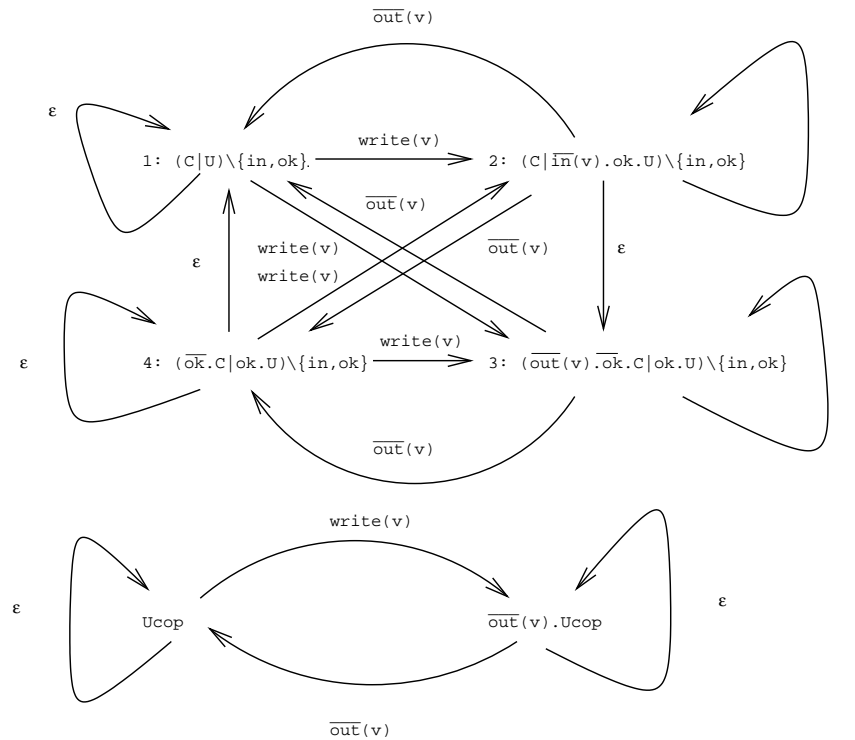
$$\text{R}(\xRightarrow{\varepsilon}) \quad E \xRightarrow{\varepsilon} E \quad \frac{E \xRightarrow{\varepsilon} F}{E \xrightarrow{\tau} E' \quad E' \xRightarrow{\varepsilon} F}$$

$$\text{R}(\xRightarrow{a}) \quad \frac{E \xRightarrow{a} F}{E \xRightarrow{\varepsilon} E' \quad E' \xrightarrow{a} F' \quad F' \xRightarrow{\varepsilon} F}$$

## Observable Transition Graphs

$$\begin{array}{lcl} C & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} & \text{in}(x).\overline{\text{out}}(x).\overline{\text{ok}}.C \\ U & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} & \text{write}(x).\overline{\text{in}}(x).\text{ok}.U \\ \text{Ucop} & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} & \text{write}(x).\overline{\text{out}}(x).\text{Ucop} \end{array}$$

# Observable Transition Graphs





# Summary

1. Syntax of CCS: prefix, sum, parallel composition, restriction (but not renaming)
2. Two types of transition,  $\xrightarrow{a}$   $\Longrightarrow^a$
3. Two types of transition graph that abstracts from derivation of transitions
4. Flow Graphs

# Process Calculi

1. Lots of different process calculi (ACP, CSP, ...)
2. Even “formats” for defining behavioural rules
3. Lots of added extras: time, probability, location, ...
4. Consider the restricted process language where  $I$  is finite

$$E ::= P \mid \sum\{a_i.E_i : i \in I\} \mid E_1 \mid E_2 \mid E \setminus \{a\}$$

A (closed) process, a finite family  $\{P_i \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} E_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  of definitions, where all the process names in each  $E_i$  belong to the set  $\{P_1, \dots, P_n\}$ .

“Turing powerful” (simulate Turing machines)

## Doing a counter

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Count} &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{round.Count} + \text{up.}(\text{Count}_1 \mid a.\text{Count}) \setminus \{a\} \\ \text{Count}_1 &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{down.}\bar{a}.0 + \text{up.}(\text{Count}_2 \mid b.\text{Count}_1) \setminus \{b\} \\ \text{Count}_2 &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{down.}\bar{b}.0 + \text{up.}(\text{Count}_1 \mid a.\text{Count}_2) \setminus \{a\} \end{aligned}$$

But so what?

1. unclear what the significance of this is
2. is there a concurrent version of Church-Turing thesis for sequential programs?

# Reasoning about processes

Are two descriptions equivalent?

Is Protocol equivalent to Cop?

Do descriptions have important (temporal) properties?

Crossing  $\models$  never has crashes?

Crossing  $\models$  whenever a car approaches eventually it crosses?

## Exercise

Is this pair equivalent?

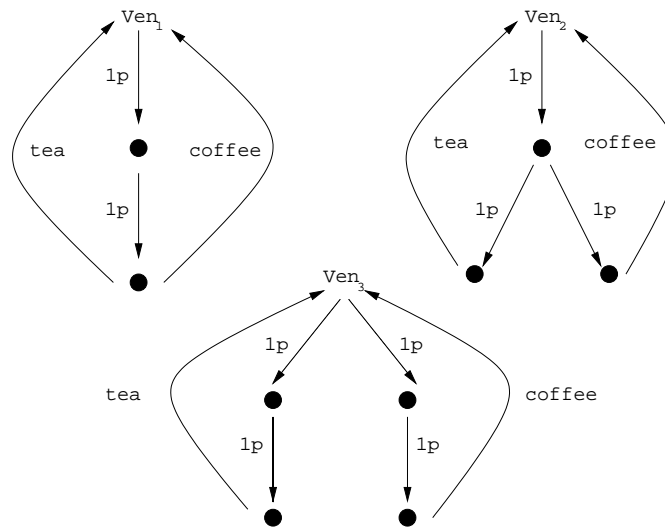
$$\begin{array}{l} C1 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{tick}.C1 \\ C1' \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{tick.tick}.C1' \end{array}$$

## Exercise

Are any of these equivalent?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ven}_1 &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 1p.1p.(\text{tea.Ven}_1 + \text{coffee.Ven}_1) \\ \text{Ven}_2 &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 1p.(1p.\text{tea.Ven}_2 + 1p.\text{coffee.Ven}_2) \\ \text{Ven}_3 &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 1p.1p.\text{tea.Ven}_3 + 1p.1p.\text{coffee.Ven}_3 \end{aligned}$$

# Pictorially



# Equivalences

Unlimited choice of candidates for equivalence

Some criteria

1. Should be a congruence w.r.t. process combinators (Language equivalence excluded)
2. Should preserve “crucial properties” (Trace equivalence excluded)
3. Should have a nice mathematical theory (... excluded)



## Approaches to equivalence I

“Semantical approach” (compare  $\lambda$ -calculus)

1.  $E \equiv F$  if they have same “basic features”
2. Extend to a congruence: largest  $\equiv^c \subseteq \equiv$  such that

for all process contexts  $C[ ]$ ,  $C[E] \equiv C[F]$

Sensitive to

what are basic features?

what are the process combinators?

is  $\equiv^c$  definable independently?

## Approaches to equivalence II

“Logical approach”

1. Give a logic  $L$  for properties of processes
2.  $E \equiv F$  iff for all properties  $\Phi \in L$ .  $E \models \Phi$  iff  $F \models \Phi$

Sensitive to

1. what is an appropriate logic?
2. is  $\equiv$  a congruence?
3. is  $\equiv$  definable independently?

# General logical approach

## Ehrenfeucht-Fraisse Games

1. Two structures (e.g., processes)
2. How alike are they?
3. Play games to distinguish them

# Ingredients

1. Two players  $V$  (verifier)  $R$  (refuter)

$R$  wants to show structures are distinguishable

$V$  wants to show they are not

2. What is a move?

3. What is it to win?

## Distinguishable Processes

A pair of processes  $E$  and  $F$  is distinguishable if one has a transition the other doesn't

$$E \xrightarrow{a} E' \text{ and } \text{not}(F \xrightarrow{a}) \text{ or } F \xrightarrow{a} F' \text{ and } \text{not}(E \xrightarrow{a})$$

Alternatively, w.r.t. *observable* distinguishability

$$E \Longrightarrow E' \text{ and } \text{not}(F \Longrightarrow) \text{ or } F \Longrightarrow F' \text{ and } \text{not}(E \Longrightarrow)$$

## Bisimulation Game $G(E_0, F_0)$

Play of  $G(E_0, F_0)$  is a finite/infinite sequence  $(E_0, F_0) \dots (E_i, F_i) \dots$

If  $(E_0, F_0) \dots (E_j, F_j)$  then  $(E_{j+1}, F_{j+1})$  is determined by move

- Player R chooses a transition  $E_j \xrightarrow{a} E_{j+1}$ , then player V chooses a transition with the same label  $F_j \xrightarrow{a} F_{j+1}$
- Player R chooses a transition  $F_j \xrightarrow{a} F_{j+1}$ , then player V chooses a transition with the same label  $E_j \xrightarrow{a} E_{j+1}$

Winning a play

R wins if reach a distinguishable pair

V wins otherwise (play is infinite or becomes stuck)

## Examples

V wins every play of  $G(C1, C1')$

$$\begin{aligned} C1 &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{tick}.C1 \\ C1' &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{tick.tick}.C1' \end{aligned}$$

V and R both win plays of  $G(\text{Ven}_1, \text{Ven}_2)$

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However, V is able always to win  $G(\text{Ven}_1, \text{Ven}_2)$