CoCoME in SOFA 2.0

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Distributed Systems Research Group

- 3 key research topics
 - Components
 - SOFA, SOFA 2.0
 - Performance evaluation
 - Regression benchmarking
 - Performance modeling
 - Formal methods
 - Behavior modeling
 - Behavior Protocols (BP, EBP)
 - Code model checking
 - against BP



SOFA 2.0

- Hierarchical component model
 - Primitive and composite components
 - ADL includes
 - behavior spec (EBP)
 - utility interfaces (accessing services)
 - Connectors
 - communication styles (\rightarrow distribution)
 - Run time support
 - SOFANode
 - SOFA meta-model (using MOF)
 - Automated generation of
 - a repository
 - editing tools





Static view

- Key abstractions
 - Component frame
 - Black-box view no internal structure visible (type)
 - Component architecture
 - Glass-box view first level subcomponents (instances) visible





Dagstuhl CoCoME Meeting

Behavior view I. – an example





Behavior view II.

BP (SOFA, Fractal):

```
?LDispCtrlEventHandlerIf.
onEvent_ENABLE
```

```
+
```

```
?LDispCtrlEventHandlerIf.
onEvent_DISABLE
```

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EBP (SOFA 2.0):

```
component LightDisplay {
 types {
   STATES = { LIGHT ENABLED, LIGHT DISABLED }
  }
 vars {
   STATES state = LIGHT_ENABLED
  behavior {
   ?LDispCtrlEventHandlerIf.onEvent(STATES e) {
     switch (e) {
        LIGHT ENABLED :
                   {state <- LIGHT ENABLED }</pre>
        LIGHT_DISABLED :
                    {state <- LIGHT_DISABLED }</pre>
   }*
```



Recall: original BP

- Behavior protocol
 - Expression describing the behavior of a software component

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- Infinite set of finite event traces
- Events:
 - Emitting a method call request:
 - Accepting a method call request:
 - Emitting a method call response:
 - Accepting a method call response:
- !interface.method↑
 ?interface.method↑
 !interface.method↓
- ?interface.method \downarrow

- Operators:
 - Sequence:
 - Alternative:
 - Repetition:
 - And-parallel interleaving
 - Or-parallel interleaving:
 - Consent

 parallel composition (interleaving + τ) indicating communication errors no activity (deadlock) bad activity (! cannot be responded)

- Syntactic abbreviations (to express method calls)
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- Events:
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 - Emitting a method call response:
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 - Assignment to a variable
 - Multisynchronization event
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!interface.method(arg_list)↑
?interface.method(par_list)↑
!interface.method↓
?interface.method↓
var ← value
@sync



Behavior view III - features

- Extended Behavior Protocol (EBP)
 - Expression defining the desired finite sequences (traces) of
 - Atomic Events
 - method call request and response
 - assignment to a local variable, multisynchro event.
 - BP like: Behavior spec. of communicating components
 - composed via (extended) consent operator
 - detection of composition errors
 - Bad activity a request cannot be accepted
 - No activity deadlock
 - Models component modes
 - Method parameters and component-local variables of enumeration types
 - Allow synchronization of events from more than two EBPs – multisynchronization
 - Not specifically used in CoCoME

Behavior view III - compliance

- Two compatibility relations are verified
 - Horizontal compliance ~ absence of communication errors within the consent composition of EBP of all first-level subcomponents of a composite components
 - Vertical compliance ~ absence of communication errors in composition of the inverted frame and architecture protocols
 - Verified by a tool chain
 - ebp2prom transforming EBP into Promela
 - Spin model checking the Promela specification



Behavior view III (example)



EBP Benefits

- EBP are a concise specification platform for component behavior:
 - EBP spec integrates information from
 - Code
 - Component diagram (UML)
 - Use cases
 - Sequence diagrams (UML)
 - These not that useful (all info in the UC and code)
 - EBP enable:
 - Detecting composition errors at design time
 - Verification against code
 - Work in progress
 - Listing of all traces corresponding to a single request
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 - · Verification whether a use case is actually implemented in the code
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 - EBP spec respect the component hierarchy
 - Sequence diagrams do not



Deployment view

- Distributed runtime environment (SOFAnode)
 - a repository
 - Storage for metadata and code
 - deployment docks
 - Container for components' instantiation and run
- Component lifecycle
 - 1. Creation and upload to the repository
 - 2. Assembly of components
 - 3. Deployment and launching
- Deployment spec: deployment plan



Performance view (Overview)



CoCoME in SOFA 2.0

- Focused on
 - Modeling behavior:
 - Extended Behavior Protocols
 - Verification of vertical and horizontal compliance
 - Input to performance modeling
 - Modeling performance:
 - Layered Queuing Networks
 - Resource model
 - Prediction of components' resource usage attributes



SOFA 2.0: Static view ~ UML assignment

- Complies ~ with UML assignment
 - External hierarchical bus replaced by independent buses inside components
 - Better reflects the orthogonal activities of CashDeskLine and Coordinator
 - The number of CashDesks and CashDeskBuses is equal
 - Not visible from UML spec (*)
 - Added: Interface and bindings to support UC8
 - Adding EnterpriseServer and StoreServer
 - Modification of *Inventory*
 - Application and GUI replaced by StoreApplication and ReportingApplication
 - Better captures independence of Store and Reporting



SOFA 2.0: Static view ~ UML assignment











SOFA 2.0: Behavior view

- Modeled in EBP
 - Based on the provided reference implementation, UCs, and sequence diagrams
 - Inconsistencies between UCs adjusted according to the reference implementation
 - Behavior of each component: its frame protocol
 - Integrates effect of a set of sequence diagrams
 - All possible interplays of calls (accepted and issued) captured
 - Actors (Customer, Cashier, ...) modeled indirectly
 - inside GUI components
 - Multiplicity
 - Two CashDesks inside each CashDeskLine
 - Two CashDeskLines inside the TradingSystem



Results – Behavior modeling I.

- Specification in EBP takes about 1500 LOC (42kB)
 - Verifying horizontal and vertical compliance:

 $\mathsf{EBP} \xrightarrow{\mathsf{ebp2prom}} \mathsf{Promela} \xrightarrow{\mathsf{Spin}} \mathsf{C} \mathsf{ source} \xrightarrow{\mathsf{gcc}} \mathsf{Result}$

- Tools:
 - ebp2prom transformation EBP \rightarrow Promela
 - A frame protocol transformed into a finite automaton
 - Compliance checking \rightarrow assertion checking
 - Spin verification of the Promela model
 - Error trace provided in EBP
- Running on
 - PC 2x Intel Core2 Duo (dual core), 4GB RAM, Gentoo Linux



Results – Behavior modeling II.

• Demo – verification of StoreApplication





Results – Behavior modeling III.

Total time = ebp2prom + Spin + gcc time + verifier

Component	ebp2prom	Verifier	Total	States
CashDesk	41.5	46.1	97.1	3,335,950
CashDeskLine	59.6	1.0	71.2	3,912
StoreApplication	37.5	3.2	50.1	378,466
Data	159.8	9.8	203.6	1,119,740
ReportingApplication	0.3	1.0	1.6	39
StoreServer	154.3	15.3	195.9	2,004,079
EnterpriseServer	151.9	1.0	178.2	2/4
Inventory	0.5	1.0		385
TradingSystem	54.0	1.4	$6^{-}4$	79
Total time	659.4	79.8	869.1	0,751,743

Performance view

- Goals
 - Estimate performance during design
 - Very rough take at absolute numbers
 - Good approximation of scalability
 - Model implicitly shared resources
- Issues
 - Complexity of performance models
 - Presence of black box components
- Solution
 - Multiple sources of information
 - Behavior model tracks resource demand
 - Deployment model tracks component placement
 - Resource model provides resource usage information
 - Component benchmarks provide action duration information
 - Iterative model solution



SOFA 2.0: Performance view I.

- Assumptions
 - Cash desk performance not an issue
 - Central server performance vital
 - No scalability support in architecture
 - Sustainable peak performance of interest
- Component Benchmarks
 - Database the major black box component
 - Query duration for selected queries
 - Scalability investigation
 - Database size irrelevant
 - Cache behavior significant
 - Memory consumption significant
 - Resource consumption investigation



SOFA 2.0: Performance view II.

- Resource Model
 - Database cache usage
 - Ratio of cache to database size
 - Requires formula for database size
 - System memory usage
 - Store instance related consumption
 - Query processing related consumption
 - Output
 - Query duration for database queries
 - Adjusted based on cache usage and memory usage

Performance Model

- Layered queuing network
- Average durations considered
- Multiple customers aggregated
- Output
 - Throughput and roundtrip estimates
 - Concurrency for database queries



LQN model



Results of modeling



Stores

Measured results



Stores

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Evaluation II.

- EBP vs. BP comparison
 - EBP more detailed
 - modeling of method (some) parameters and component states (modes)
 - EBP spec more readable and easier to "debug"
 - Both verified in reasonable time (minutes)
- Compared to CoCoME in Fractal
 - Specification in EBP shorter (1500 vs. 2700 LOC) and more readable



Conclusion

- Behavior:
 - Both vertical and horizontal compliance verified in reasonable time
- Performance
 - Simple models with reasonably precise output
- Available at

http://dsrg.mff.cuni.cz/cocome/sofa



Future Work

- Behavior view
 - Checking of EBP spec against Java code
 - Taking advantage of data in spec
 - Support for sessions
 - Support for other properties
 - E.g. enhancing data relations
- Performance view
 - Additional behavioral information needed to generate model automatically
 - Potential for automating resource modeling
 - Component benchmarking
 - Knowledge of typical resources

