

# The HOL-CSP Project: A Comprehensive Formal Theory of Concurrency

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# Part I:

# Objective: Comprehensiveness

# Concurrency Theory

a plethora of concepts

Trace

Algebra

Parallel

Run

Process

Transition System

Thread

Lifelong

Synchronised

Event

State

Non-Termination

Interleave

Deadlock

State Explosion

Model-Checking

Process Refinement

# How can we explain and study these concepts

- In a uniform, friendly way ?
- ... based on common definitions of the concepts ?
- ... on unified and a clear mathematical foundation ?



# Part I:

## Objective:

# A **Formal** Development

# Formalism and Theory

- A personal statement :
  - I am a Formalist
    - I believe that only formal proofs based on formalised definitions and proofs give some form of scientific objectivity
    - above all, a proof SHOULD be reproducible like a physical experiment - independent from human subjectivity and social processes
    - This is not just a spleen, it is a epistemological position.
- The Philosophical Counter-Position: Intuitionism
  - (Brouwer): the truth of a mathematical statement is a subjective claim: a mathematical statement corresponds to a mental construction, and a mathematician can assert the truth of a statement only by verifying the validity of that construction by [intuition](#).
- Prominent Supporters: Einstein
  - „Der intuitive Geist ist ein heiliges Geschenk und der rationale Verstand ein treuer Diener.“

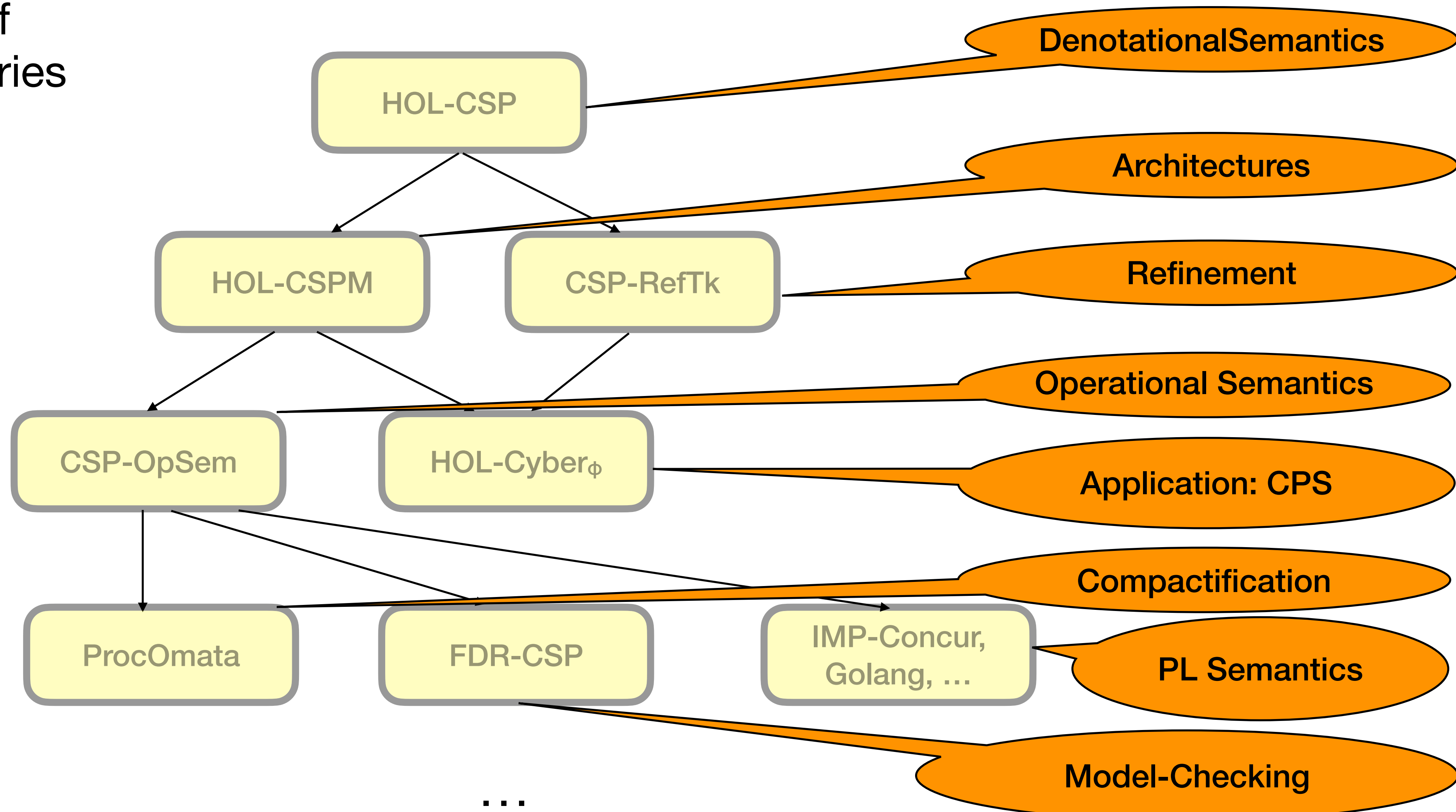
# Part I:

## Objective:

# A Formal **Development**

# HOL-CSP, CSP<sub>M</sub>, ProcOmata, HOL-Cyber<sub>φ</sub>

- Architecture of the CSP Theories



# Part III:

Objective:

**Theory of Concurrency**  
(with arbitrary data)

# HOL-CSP

- A Theory in Isabelle/HOL for Communicating Sequential Processes
- Based on work of Hoare and Roscoe in the 80ies and 90ies, but still a “gold standard” for modelling concurrent systems
- HOL-CSP: a conservative embedding of the CSP theory following essentially the presentation in Bill Roscoe Book “Theory and Practice of Concurrency”

# Classic CSP

- The Core:

A (finite) set of “events”  $\Sigma$ ,  $A \subseteq \Sigma$ :

$$P ::= \text{SKIP} \mid \text{STOP} \mid a \rightarrow P \mid P \square P' \mid P \sqcap P' \\ \mid P ; P' \mid P \llbracket A \rrbracket P' \mid P \setminus A \mid \mu X. f(X)$$

- Some Syntactic Sugar:

- $P \parallel P' = P \llbracket \Sigma \rrbracket P'$
- $P \parallel\parallel P' = P \llbracket \emptyset \rrbracket P'$
- $\square_{x \in A} a \rightarrow P(x) = a_1 \rightarrow P \square a_2 \rightarrow P \square \dots \square a_n \rightarrow P$  with  $A = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$
- $c!x \rightarrow P(x) = (c, a) \rightarrow P \ a$
- $c?x \in X \rightarrow P(x) = \square_{p \in \{(c, a) \mid a \in A\}} \rightarrow P(\text{snd } p)$

# Some Requirements on CSP

- The semantics should be compositional,  
(i.e. the semantic denotation should not depend on the context)
- On the other hand, communication inherently depends on contexts:

$$\Box_{x \in \{a,b,c\}} \rightarrow P x \parallel b \rightarrow Q = b \rightarrow (P b \parallel Q)$$

$$\sqcap_{x \in \{a,b,c\}} \rightarrow P x \parallel b \rightarrow Q = (b \rightarrow (P b \parallel Q)) \sqcap \text{STOP}$$

$$\Box_{x \in \{a,c\}} \rightarrow P x \parallel b \rightarrow Q = \text{STOP}$$

$$\sqcap_{x \in \{a,c\}} \rightarrow P x \parallel b \rightarrow Q = \text{STOP}$$

- Observation: Deterministic choice  $\Box$  is ready to engage in “b”, and  $\{a,b,c\}$  is like a precondition on a read communication with the context “ $b \rightarrow Q$ ”
- Observation: Nondeterministic choice  $\sqcap$  is like a non-deterministic write !
- Observation: Equational Reasoning on Processes would be a huge advantage for abstract reasoning (rather than tinkering on LTSs or, sigh, on automata)

# Some Requirements on CSP

- Nondeterminism and potential futures ...

$$(a \rightarrow P) \sqcap (a \rightarrow Q) = (a \rightarrow P) \sqcap (a \rightarrow Q)$$

$$= a \rightarrow P \sqcap Q$$

# Some Requirements on CSP

- Processes are by nature infinite objects ...

$$\mu X. a \rightarrow X$$

$a^\infty$

but can be finite :

$$\mu X. (a \rightarrow (X \sqcap \text{Skip}) ; b \rightarrow \text{Skip})$$

$a^n b^n$

- handling termination differently like Buechi Automata via a special symbol  $\surd$  (called tick)

# Denotational Semantics

- Recursion and infinite behaviour in the Scott-Strachey setting

$$\begin{aligned} (\mu X. \lambda x \in \{a,b\} \rightarrow X) &= \lambda x \in \{a,b\} \rightarrow (\mu X. \lambda x \in \{a,b\} \rightarrow X) \\ \mu X. f(X) &= f(\mu X. f(X)) \end{aligned}$$

$\perp$

$\lambda x \in \{a,b\} \rightarrow \perp$

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...

$\text{LUB}(\lambda n. ((\lambda X. \lambda x \in \{a,b\} \rightarrow X)^n \perp))$

# Denotational Semantics

## Scott-Strachey Style

- the semantics of a fix-point is understood as a limit on an approximation process
- this implies the necessity of an order  $\sqsubseteq$  and a domain  $D$  such that:
  - $\forall x \in D. \perp \sqsubseteq x$
  - $\forall x \in D. x \sqsubseteq x$
  - $\forall x \in D, \forall y \in D, \forall z \in D. x \sqsubseteq y \wedge y \sqsubseteq z \rightarrow x \sqsubseteq z$
  - $\forall x \in D, \forall y \in D. x \sqsubseteq y \wedge y \sqsubseteq x \rightarrow x = y$
  - $\forall f \in \mathbb{N} \rightarrow D. (\forall x, y. x \sqsubseteq y \rightarrow f x \sqsubseteq f y) \rightarrow \text{LUB } f \in D$
- ... in other words,  $(D, \sqsubseteq)$  is a *complete partial order* (cpo)
- a function  $f$  is *continuous*, if it reflects the LUB on any chain  $Y : \forall x, y. x \sqsubseteq y \rightarrow Y x \sqsubseteq Y y$

$$\text{LUB}(\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} f(Y i)) = f(\text{LUB } Y)$$

# Denotational Semantics

## Scott-Strachey Style

- Key - Results:

- a fix point can be defined by  $\text{fix } f \equiv \text{LUB}(\lambda n. (f^n \perp))$

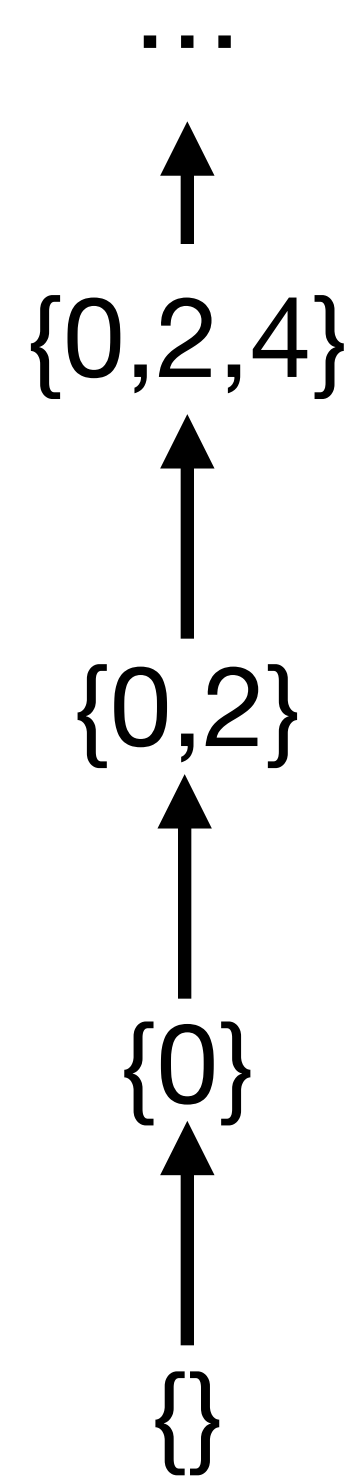
(written  $\mu X. f X$  )

- we have an unfolding property:  $\text{cont } f \implies \text{fix } f = f(\text{fix } f)$

- ... and the fix point induction principle:

$$\text{cont } f \implies \text{adm } P \implies P \perp \implies (\forall x. P x \implies P (f x)) \implies P (\mu X. f X)$$

# Denotational Semantics Scott-Strachey Style



- Example I: Inductively defined sets

- $\perp$  is  $\{\}$

- $\sqsubseteq$  is  $\subseteq$

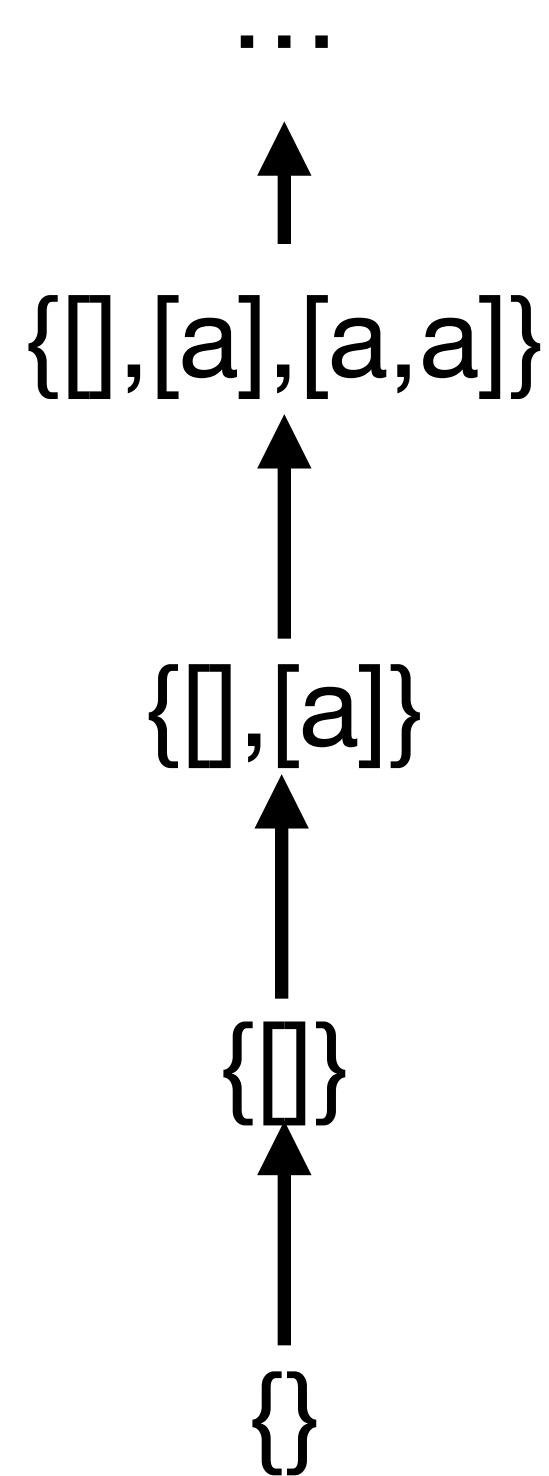
- LUB  $Y$  is  $\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (Y\ i)$

- $Y\ n$  is  $(\lambda X. \{0\} \cup ((+)\ 2)\ ` X)^n \{\}$

continuous !

# Denotational Semantics Scott-Strachey Style

$$\{w \mid \exists n. w = a^n\} \equiv a^\infty$$



- Example II: Closer to the topic: Prefix-closed sets of traces

- $\perp$  is  $\{\}$

- $\sqsubseteq$  is  $\subseteq$

- LUB  $Y$  is  $\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (Y \ i)$

- $Y \ n$  is  $(\lambda X. \{\epsilon\} \cup ((\#)a) \cdot X)^n \{\}$

continuous !

# Denotational Semantics for CSP

- How to bring all this together in a domain  $D$  and an order ?
  - Non-Determinism and communication
  - Recursion and infinity
  - An algebraic structure on the domain
  - A notion of refinement
- The idea developed by Hoare, Roscoe and Brooks was:
  - ... we take prefix-closed set of traces leading to a “state”
  - ... and annotate the latter with the set of events a process can not engage in

# Denotational Semantics for CSP

- The idea developed by Hoare, Roscoe and Brooks was:
  - ... we take prefix-closed traces leading to a non-deterministic “state”
  - ... and annotate these with the set of events a process can not engage in, the “refusals”

Recall :

$$\begin{aligned}(a \rightarrow \text{SKIP}) \sqcap (a \rightarrow \text{STOP}) &= (a \rightarrow \text{SKIP}) \sqcap (a \rightarrow \text{STOP}) \\ &= a \rightarrow (\text{SKIP} \sqcap \text{STOP})\end{aligned}$$

So the trace  $[a]$  should be annotated with a set of events called *refusals*

# Denotational Semantics for CSP

- Now, all CSP Operators were defined as an operation on *a process*, and we have to prove that the domain properties are preserved

Note that this holds for an arbitrary type ' $\alpha$ ' definable in HOL

- We prove the “algebra” of CSP:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\forall y. c y \in S) &\implies c?x \rightarrow P x \llbracket S \rrbracket c?x \rightarrow Q x = c?x \rightarrow (P x \llbracket S \rrbracket Q x) \\
 (\forall y. c y \in S) &\implies inj\ c \implies c!a \rightarrow P \llbracket S \rrbracket c?x \rightarrow Q x = c!a \rightarrow (P \llbracket S \rrbracket Q a) \\
 d a \notin S &\implies (\bigwedge y. c y \in S) \implies d!a \rightarrow P \llbracket S \rrbracket c?x \rightarrow Q x = d!a \rightarrow (P \llbracket S \rrbracket c?x \rightarrow Q x) \\
 d \in S &\implies (\bigwedge y. c y \notin S) \implies d \rightarrow P \llbracket S \rrbracket c?x \rightarrow Q x = c?x \rightarrow (d \rightarrow P \llbracket S \rrbracket Q x) \\
 d a \notin C &\implies c \in C \implies c \rightarrow Q \llbracket C \rrbracket d!a \rightarrow P = d!a \rightarrow (c \rightarrow Q \llbracket C \rrbracket P) \\
 \forall y. c y \notin B &\implies c?x \rightarrow P x \setminus B = c?x \rightarrow (P x \setminus B) \\
 \forall y. c y \notin B &\implies c!a \rightarrow P \setminus B = c!a \rightarrow (P \setminus B) \\
 c a \in B &\implies c!a \rightarrow P \setminus B = P \setminus B \qquad \text{etc.}
 \end{aligned}$$

- ... and we have a refinement order (more deterministic, more defined):

$$P \sqsubseteq_{FD} Q \equiv \mathcal{F} Q \subseteq \mathcal{F} P \wedge \mathcal{D} Q \subseteq \mathcal{D} P$$

# Denotational Semantics for CSP

- Failures and Process P:

*datatype*  $\alpha$  event =  $ev \ \alpha \mid tick \ (\langle \checkmark \rangle)$

*type\_synonym*  $\alpha$  refusal =  $\alpha$  event set

*type\_synonym*  $\alpha$  trace =  $\alpha$  event list

*type\_synonym*  $\alpha$  failure =  $\alpha$  trace  $\times$   $\alpha$  refusal

*type\_synonym*  $\alpha$  process =  $\alpha$  failure set  $\times$   $\alpha$  trace set

- Denotational Domain : the  $\alpha$  process satisfying:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (\square \in \mathcal{T} P \wedge (\forall s X. (s, X) \in \mathcal{F} P \longrightarrow \text{front-tickFree } s) \wedge \\
 & (\forall s t. s @ t \in \mathcal{T} P \longrightarrow s \in \mathcal{T} P) \wedge (\forall s X Y. (s, Y) \in \mathcal{F} P \wedge X \subseteq Y \longrightarrow (s, X) \in \mathcal{F} P) \wedge \\
 & (\forall s X Y. (s, X) \in \mathcal{F} P \wedge (\forall c. c \in Y \longrightarrow s @ [c] \notin \mathcal{T} P) \longrightarrow (s, X \cup Y) \in \mathcal{F} P) \wedge \\
 & (\forall s X. s @ [\checkmark] \in \mathcal{T} P \longrightarrow (s, X - \{\checkmark\}) \in \mathcal{F} P) \wedge \\
 & (\forall s t. s \in \mathcal{D} P \wedge \text{tickFree } s \wedge \text{front-tickFree } t \longrightarrow s @ t \in \mathcal{D} P) \wedge \\
 & (\forall s X. s \in \mathcal{D} P \longrightarrow (s, X) \in \mathcal{F} P) \wedge (\forall s. s @ [\checkmark] \in \mathcal{D} P \longrightarrow s \in \mathcal{D} P))
 \end{aligned}$$

- With the projections for the traces  $\mathcal{T} P$ , failures  $\mathcal{F} P$  and divergences  $\mathcal{D} P$ .

# Denotational Semantics for CSP

- An intermediate Summary:
  - Non-Determinism and communication ✓
  - An algebraic structure on the domain ✓
  - A notion of refinement ✓
  - Recursion and infinity **ben, non.**

# Denotational Semantics for CSP

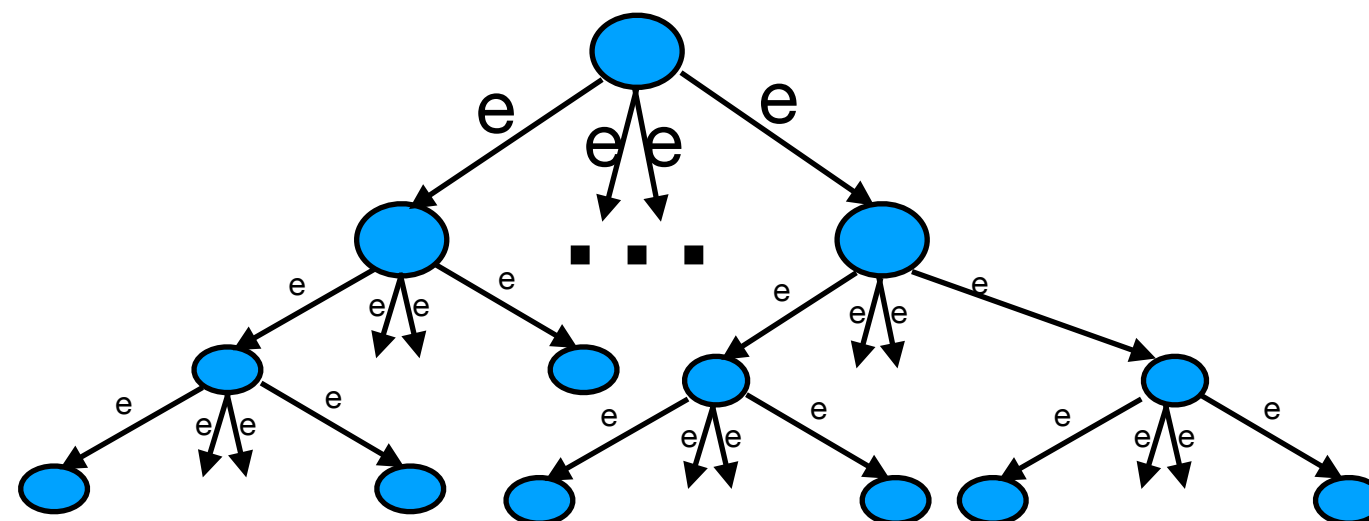
- The Problem :
  - The refinement order  $\sqsubseteq_{FD}$  is too liberal to allow non-determinism to be complete ...
  - Things like:

$$\mu X. (P \ X \ \square \ X)$$

... can not be continuous, the deterministic choice “needs to know” in advance what events to accept and what to refuse

# Denotational Semantics for CSP

- The solution (due to Roscoe and Brookes 86) :
  - a second order, written (here!) “ $\sqsubseteq$ ”, orders the elements in the domain as follows:



- $\sqsubseteq$  relates process approximations “layer-wise”  
(in contrast to  $\sqsubseteq_{FD}$ )
- all CSP operators are continuous wrt. to the  $\sqsubseteq$  order  
with the exception of hiding  $P \setminus S$  (but hiding is continuous if  $S$  is finite)
- this holds in particular for the combinations  $\bigsqcup_{x \in A} P x$  and  $\prod_{x \in A} P x$

# HOL-CSP, CSP<sub>M</sub>, ProcOmata, HOL-Cyber<sub>φ</sub>

- Goal: Having a logically consisting basis to reason over processes operationally, consistent and symbolic

$$\begin{array}{c}
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 378 \quad \frac{P \rightsquigarrow_\surd P' \quad P' \rightsquigarrow_\tau P''}{P \rightsquigarrow_\surd P''} \quad \frac{P \rightsquigarrow_\tau P' \quad P' \rightsquigarrow_\surd P''}{P \rightsquigarrow_\surd P''} \\
 379 \quad \hline
 380 \quad \frac{}{SKIP \rightsquigarrow_\surd \Omega SKIP} \quad \frac{cont\ f \quad P = (\mu x. f x)}{P \rightsquigarrow_\tau f P} \quad \dots \\
 381 \quad \hline
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 384 \quad \frac{}{P \sqcap Q \rightsquigarrow_\tau P} \quad \frac{e \in A}{\Box a \in A. P a \rightsquigarrow_\tau P e} \quad \dots \\
 385 \quad \hline
 386 \quad \frac{P \rightsquigarrow_\tau P'}{P \sqcap Q \rightsquigarrow_\tau P' \sqcap Q} \quad \frac{P \rightsquigarrow_e P'}{P \sqcap Q \rightsquigarrow_e P'} \quad \frac{P \rightsquigarrow_\surd P'}{P \sqcap Q \rightsquigarrow_\surd \Omega SKIP} \\
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 388 \quad \frac{P \rightsquigarrow_\tau P'}{P ; Q \rightsquigarrow_\tau P' ; Q} \quad \frac{P \rightsquigarrow_e P'}{P ; Q \rightsquigarrow_e P' ; Q} \quad \frac{P \rightsquigarrow_\surd P' \quad Q \rightsquigarrow_\tau Q'}{P ; Q \rightsquigarrow_\tau Q'} \\
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 390 \quad \frac{P \rightsquigarrow_\tau P'}{P \setminus B \rightsquigarrow_\tau P' \setminus B} \quad \frac{P \rightsquigarrow_\surd P'}{P \setminus B \rightsquigarrow_\surd \Omega SKIP} \\
 391 \quad \frac{e \notin B \quad P \rightsquigarrow_e P'}{P \setminus B \rightsquigarrow_e P' \setminus B} \quad \frac{e \in B \quad P \rightsquigarrow_e P'}{P \setminus B \rightsquigarrow_\tau P' \setminus B}
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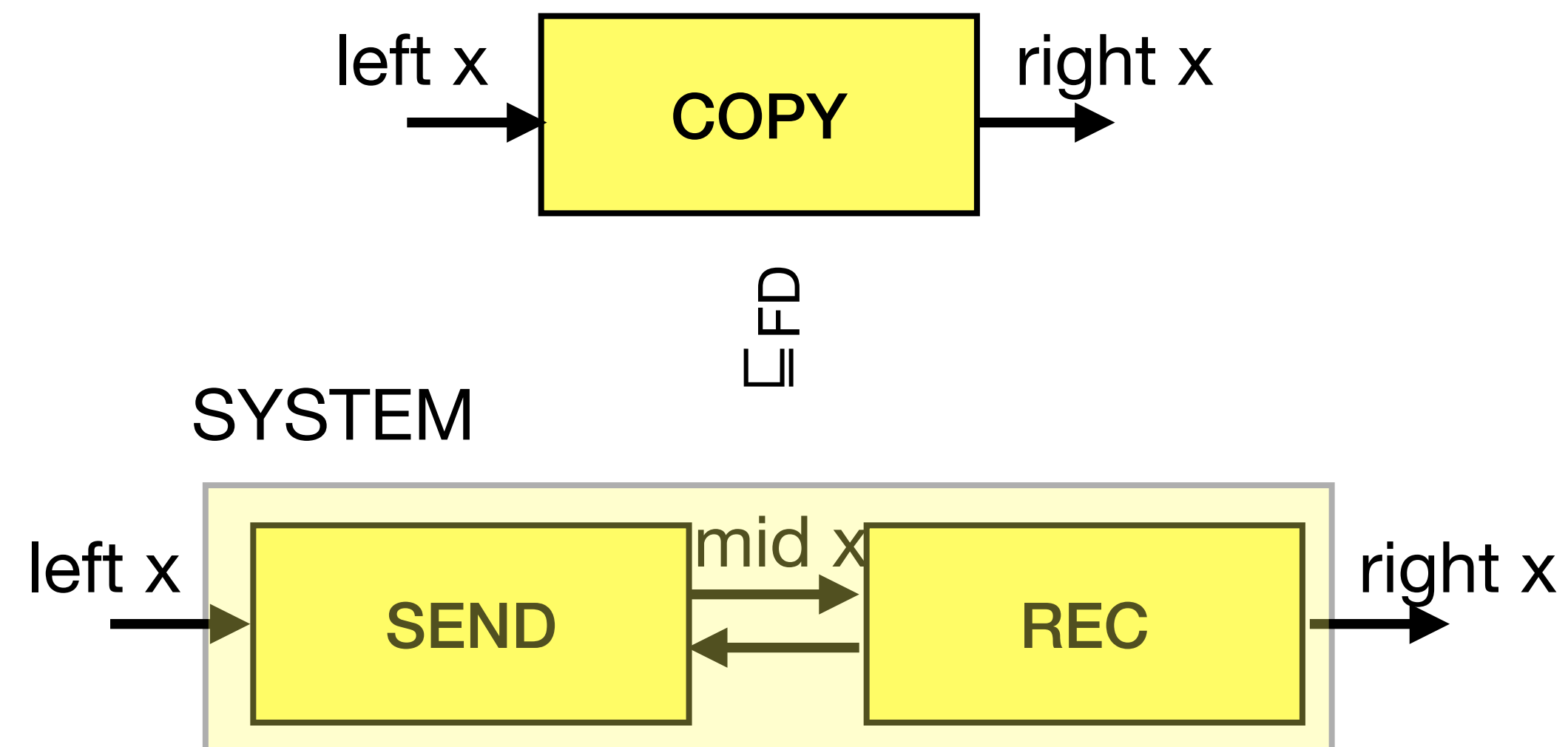
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# HOL-CSP

- The theory HOL-CSP comprises
  - definitions of all operators
  - continuity proofs
  - proofs for algebraic laws  
(from ACI to synchronization laws)
  - How to model and reason with it?

# Example for CSP Modeling and Reasoning: CopyBuffer

- A classic example:



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datatype 'a channel = left 'a | right 'a | mid 'a | ack

definition COPY :: "'a channel process"
  where "COPY ≡ COPY left?x → right!x → COPY"

lemma impl_refines_spec : "COPY ⊨FD SYSTEM"
  unfolding SYSTEM_def COPY_def
  apply(rule fix_ind, auto intro: le_FD_adm simp: cont_fun monofunI)
  apply(subst SEND_rec, subst REC_rec)
  apply(simp add: Sync_rules Hiding_rules mono_read_FD mono_write_FD)
  done
- where "SEND ≡ μ SEND. left?x → mid!x → ack → SEND"

definition REC :: "'a channel process"
  where "REC ≡ μ REC. mid?x → right!x → ack → REC"

definition SYSTEM :: "'a channel process"
  where "SYSTEM ≡ SEND [ SYN ] REC \ SYN"
  
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# Denotational Semantics

## Scott-Strachey Style

- The sweet spot of domain theory:
  - cpo's for products and function spaces can be constructed automatically:

$$(D, \sqsubseteq_D), (E, \sqsubseteq_E) \implies (D \times E, \sqsubseteq_{D \times E})$$

$$(D, \sqsubseteq_D), (E, \sqsubseteq_E) \implies (D \Rightarrow E, \sqsubseteq_{D \Rightarrow E})$$

- ... actually :  $(E, \sqsubseteq_E) \implies (D \Rightarrow E, \sqsubseteq_{D \Rightarrow E})$  suffices.
- consequence: HOL-CSP processes can be parameterised by a state that they can carry around and modify. We get a notion of state for free! Example:

$$\text{NG} = \mu X. (\lambda A. (\prod a \in A \rightarrow (X (A - \{a\}))))$$

$$\text{NG } A = \prod a \in A \rightarrow (\text{RNG } (A - \{a\}))$$

$$\text{NG } \mathbb{N}$$

# Some Examples in HOL-CSP

- Processes are infinite objects:

ones  $\equiv (\mu X. 1 \rightarrow X)$

zeros  $\equiv (\mu X. 0 \rightarrow X)$

oneszeros  $\equiv (\mu X. \square_{x \in \{0,1\}} \rightarrow X)$

**Property:** ones ||| zeros = oneszeros

(where  $P|||Q = P \llbracket \{ \} \rrbracket Q$ )

**Proof:** by anti-sym of = and fix point induction

- Fixpoints over process functions yield parameterizable processes:

digits  $\equiv \mu X. (\lambda x. \lfloor x \rfloor \rightarrow X ((\text{frac } x) * 10))$

implies:

digits x =  $\lfloor x \rfloor \rightarrow \text{digits } (\text{frac } x * 10)$

**Fact:** digits  $\pi = 3 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 9 \rightarrow \dots$

- No problems with termination issues

Collatz n =  $(\square x \in (\{0, 1\} \cap \{n\}) \rightarrow \text{Skip})$

KEY A =  $\prod a \in A \rightarrow \text{KEY } (A - \{a\})$

$\square (\square x \in ((\text{Even} - \{0\}) \cap \{n\}) \rightarrow \text{Collatz } (x \text{ div } 2))$

$\square (\square x \in ((\text{Odd} - \{1\}) \cap \{n\}) \rightarrow \text{Collatz } (3 * x + 1))$

# HOL-CSP<sub>M</sub>

- The CSP<sub>M</sub> is a language developed for FDR, a model-checker for CSP. It offers a number of “architectural operators”, i.e. generalisations of synchronisation  $P \llbracket S \rrbracket P'$ , and sequencing  $P \llbracket S \rrbracket$ .

$\llbracket S \rrbracket x \in I. P(x), \parallel x \in I. P(x), \text{SEQ } x \in I. P(x), \dots$

beyond the already known operators  $\square_{x \in A} \rightarrow P(x)$  and  $\prod_{x \in A} \rightarrow P(x)$  and the derived notations for “guarded read” and “non-deterministic write”

- These were handled as macros in FDR, but HOL-CSP<sub>M</sub> defined them as first-class citizens and develops a theory for it.
- HOL-CSP<sub>M</sub> treats them by proper algebraic rules.

# Part IV:

# Extensions of Theory of Concurrency

# HOL-CSP<sub>M</sub>

- Example for architectural composition: Dijkstra's Dining Philosophers ...

Let N be an uninterpreted constant:

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datatype dining_event = picks <int × int> | puttdown <int × int>>

definition RPHIL ::
  <int ⇒ dining_event process> where
  □RPHIL i ≡ μ X. picks (i, i) → picks (i, ((i - 1) mod N)) →
    puttdown (i, ((i - 1) mod N)) → puttdown (i, i) → X

definition LPHILO :: <dining_event process> where
  <LPHILO ≡ μ X. picks (0, N-1) → picks (0, 0) →
    puttdown (0, 0) → puttdown (0, N-1) → X>

definition FORK :: <int ⇒ dining_event process>
  where
  <FORK i ≡ μ X. (picks(i,i) → puttdown(i,i) → X) □
    (picks ((i + 1) mod N), i) →
    puttdown ((i + 1) mod N, i) → X>>

PHILS ≡ LPHILO ||| (||| i ∈# mset [1..N-1]. RPHIL i)

FORKS ≡ ||| i ∈# mset [0..N-1]. FORK i

DINING ≡ FORKS || PHILS
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# Proc-Omata

- We had been intrigued to find a solution for architectures ranging over  $\mathbb{N}$ . This resulted in a theory of Proc-Omata
- Proc-Omata are functional automata inside a process, so a process with an internal state + a transition function:

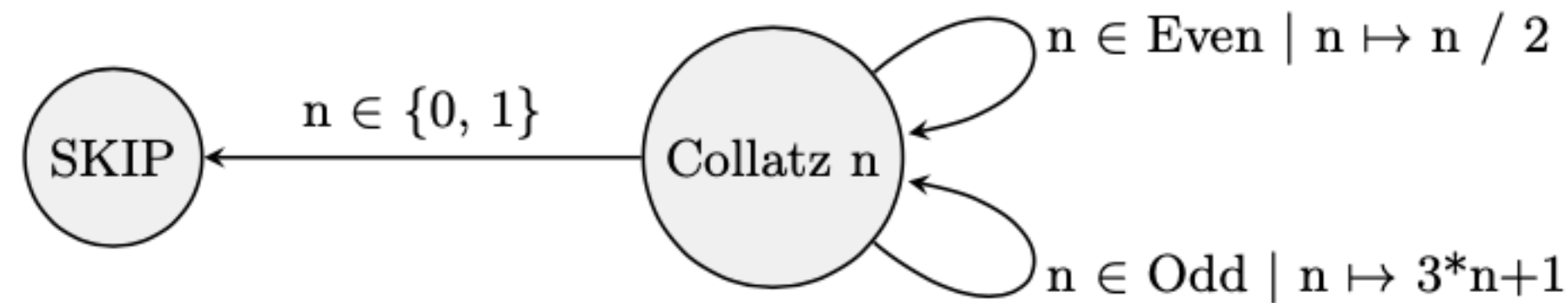


Fig. 1: The Collatz Function seen as Process

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Collatz} \equiv \mu X. (\lambda n. & \quad (\square x \in \{0, 1\} \cap \{n\} \rightarrow \text{SKIP}) \\
 & \quad \square (\square x \in (\text{Even} - \{0\}) \cap \{n\} \rightarrow X (x \text{ div } 2)) \\
 & \quad \square (\square x \in (\text{Odd} - \{1\}) \cap \{n\} \rightarrow X (3 * x + 1)))
 \end{aligned}$$

# Proc-Omata

- Main theorem: Compactification of an unbounded series of Proc-Omata Processes.

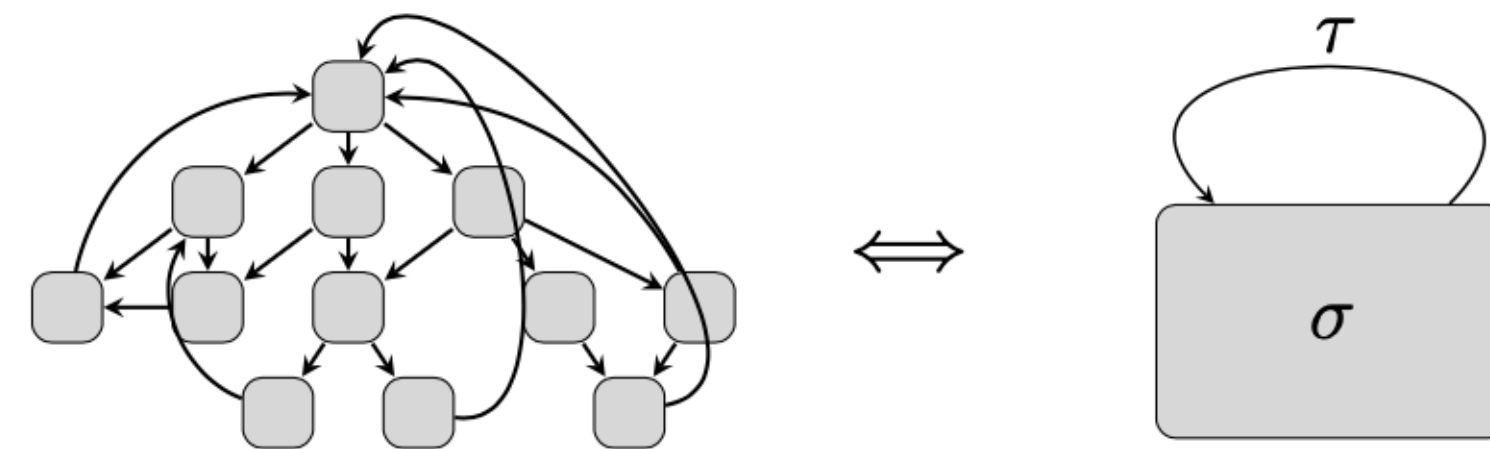


Fig. 2: Conversion of an LTS

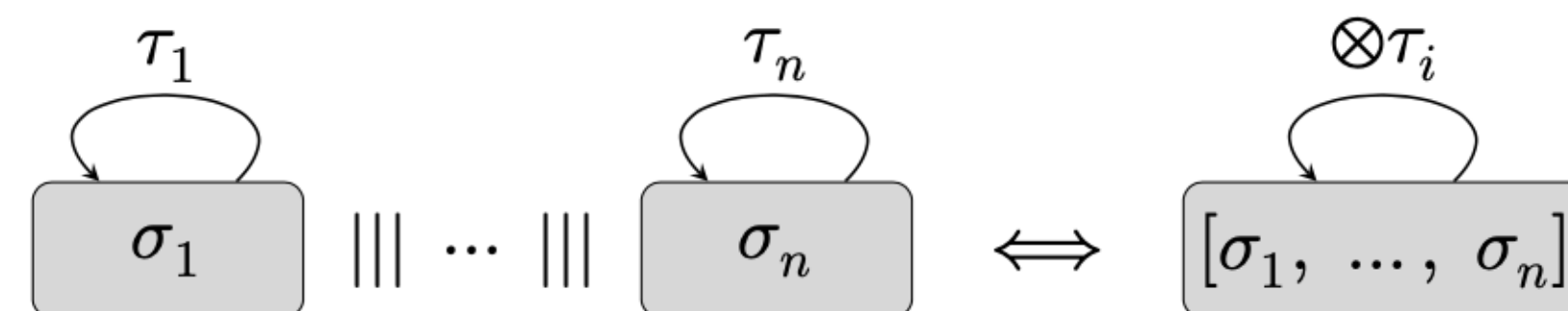


Fig. 3: Compactification

Over the compactified Proc-Omata, we can prove via an invariant over its state that, for example, DINING is deadlock free for arbitrary N.

# Operational Semantics of CSP

- Goal: Having a logically consisting basis to reason over processes operationally, consistent with HOL-CSP and as a symbolic transition system.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{P \rightsquigarrow_e P' \quad P' \rightsquigarrow_\tau P''}{P \rightsquigarrow_e P''} \quad \frac{P \rightsquigarrow_\tau P' \quad P' \rightsquigarrow_e P''}{P \rightsquigarrow_e P''} \\
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 \frac{}{P \sqcap Q \rightsquigarrow_\tau P} \quad \frac{e \in A}{\Box a \in A. P\ a \rightsquigarrow_\tau P\ e} \\
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 \hline
 \frac{P \rightsquigarrow_\tau P'}{P; Q \rightsquigarrow_\tau P'; Q} \quad \frac{P \rightsquigarrow_e P'}{P; Q \rightsquigarrow_e P'; Q} \quad \frac{P \rightsquigarrow_\surd P' \quad Q \rightsquigarrow_\tau Q'}{P; Q \rightsquigarrow_\tau Q'} \\
 \hline
 \frac{P \rightsquigarrow_\tau P'}{P \setminus B \rightsquigarrow_\tau P' \setminus B} \quad \frac{P \rightsquigarrow_\surd P'}{P \setminus B \rightsquigarrow_\surd \Omega SKIP} \\
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 \end{array}$$

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# HOL-CSP and FDR

- Goal: Combining FDR4 and HOL-CSP (OpSem) in Isabelle, allowing to certify the checks of FDR by Proofs in CSP



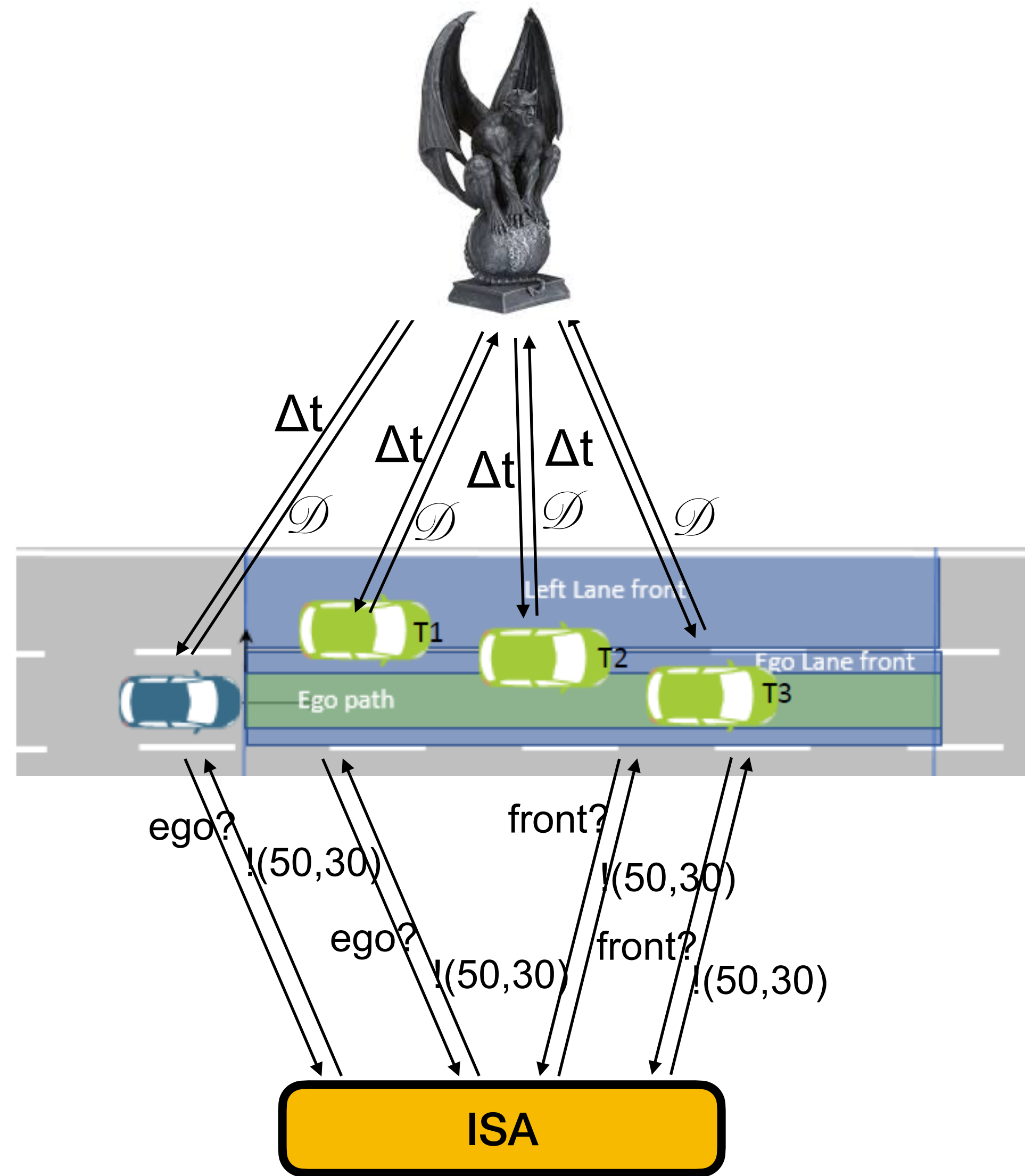
Table II: Dining Philosophers

model-size	iterations	events	transitions	elapsed time	cpu time	avg cpu time
N=3	7	20	46	0.5s	2.17s	47 ms
N=4	11	32	193	1.85s	12.08s	52 ms
N=5	14	50	876	9.26s	67.86s	77 ms
N=6	17	72	3274	47.78s	363.67s	110 ms
N=7	20	96	13670	248.44s	1899s	138 ms
N=8	23	124	51944	1336s	9694s	186 ms
N=9	26	160	194002	30142s	67157s	346 ms

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# HOL-CSP and HOL-Cyber<sub>φ</sub>

- A modeling approach for autonomous Agents in HOL-CSP: HOL-Cyber<sub>φ</sub>
  - concurrent interaction of actors and environments
  - dense time ( $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ )
  - continuous environment with multi-dimensional observables underlying the laws of (Newtonian) physics
  - the discretising view of continuous observables (sampling) in systems
  - refinement between modeling notions and of models to executable code
  - formal analysis by test and proof



# Autonomous Vehicles in HOL-CSP

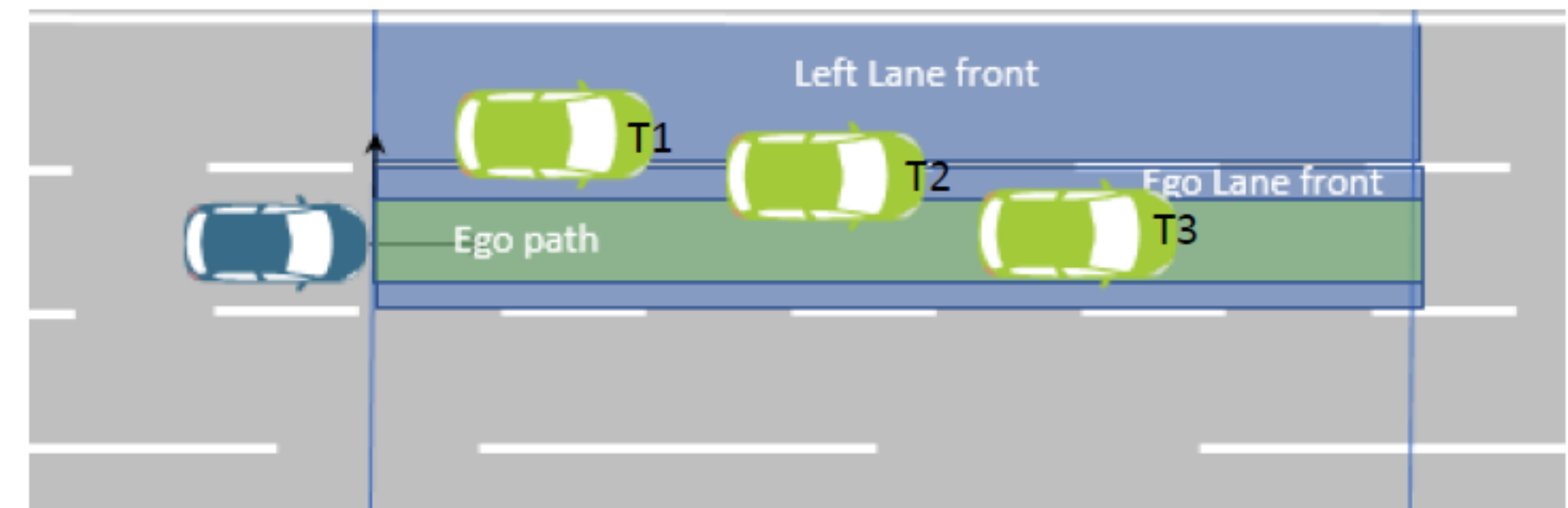
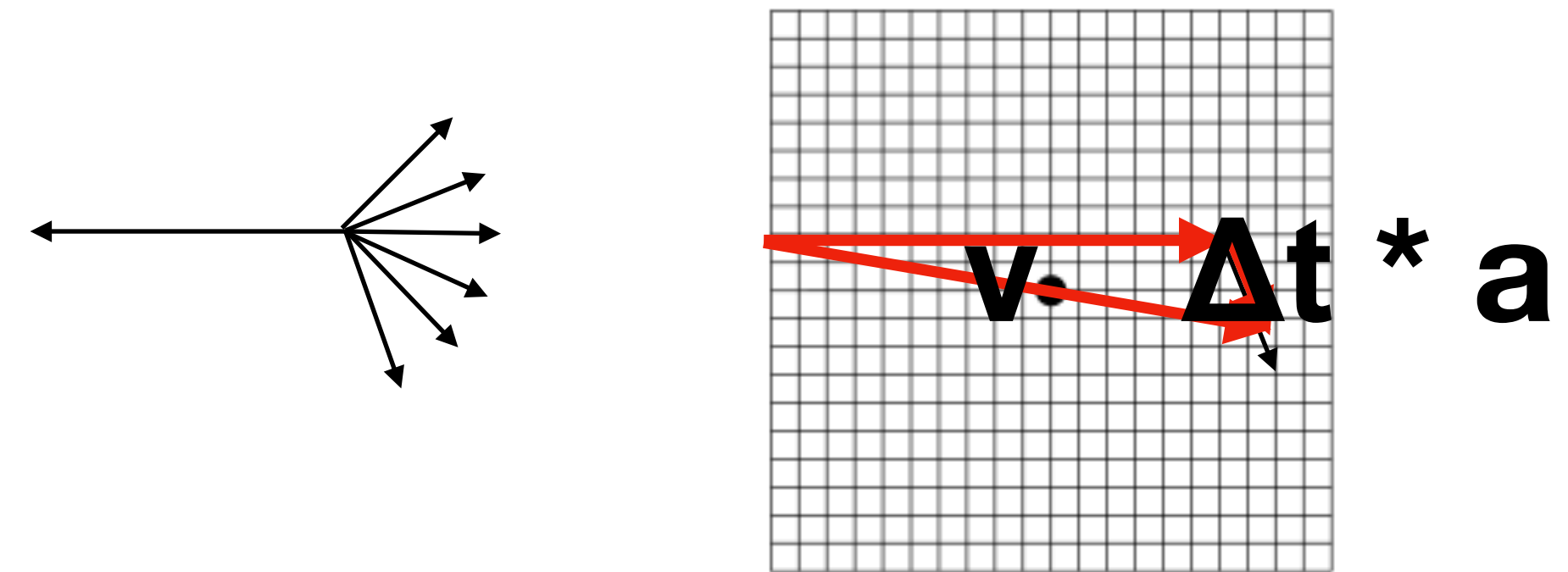
- Vector-Spaces

- for positions
- accelerations
- speeds

- ... in Isabelle/HOL:

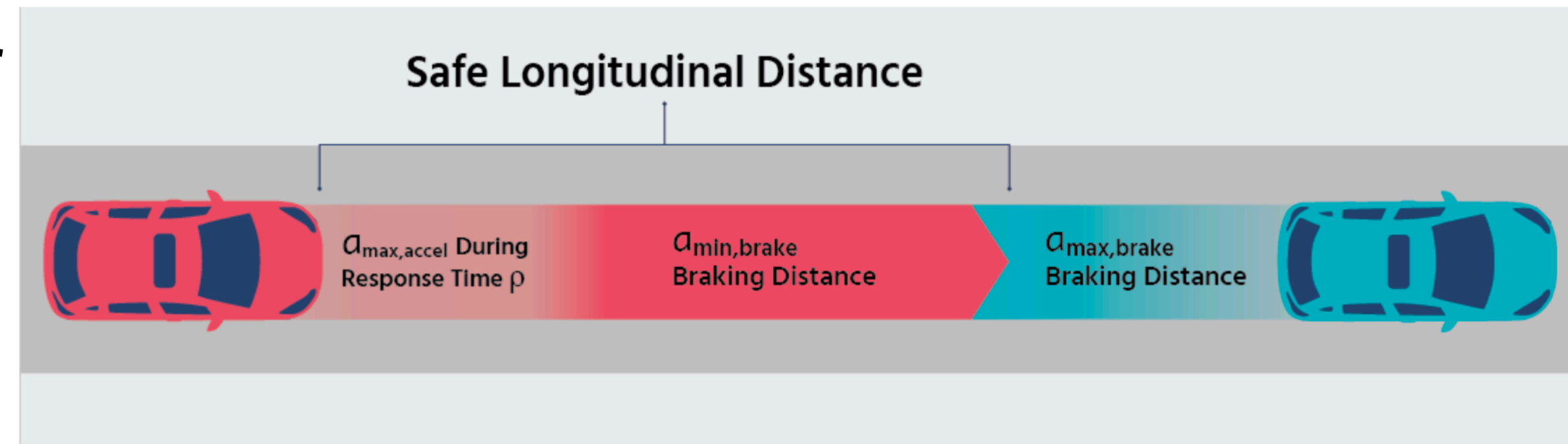
- discrete
- real/math
- multi-dimensional

- we can therefore link more abstract to more computational models



# The RSS Scenarios

- Two Cars, “current” set of assumptions
- Safety Property:



- reaction time ( $\gg \Delta t$ ):  $\rho$
- minimal distance to be respected :  $d_{\min}$
- speeds for “rear” and “front” cars:  $v_r, v_f$

$$d_{\min} = \left[ v_r \rho + \frac{1}{2} a_{\max, \text{accel}} \rho^2 + \frac{(v_r + \rho a_{\max, \text{accel}})^2}{2a_{\min, \text{brake}}} - \frac{v_f^2}{2a_{\max, \text{brake}}} \right]_+$$



# HOL-CSP and Programming Language Theory

- One might wonder what HOL-CSP theory has to do with Programming Language Theory, so, e.g. deductive verification
- We developed a PL-Front-End for HOL-CSP, called “IMP\_Concur”.

## • ... and a semantics on a post-card:

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datatype com = SKIP
definition Thread1 where
fun Sem0 :: "com ⇒ (σ ⇒ (sema_evs+glo_vars_ev) process) ⇒ σ ⇒ (sema_evs+glo_vars_ev) process"
  where "Sem0 SKIP C = C"
        | "Sem0 (x := E) C = (λ σ. C (σ(x := E σ)))"
        | "Sem0 (P ; Q) C = Sem0 P (Sem0 Q C)"
        | "Sem0 (IF E THEN C1 ELSE C2) C = (λ σ. if E σ then Sem0 C1 C σ else Sem0 C2 C σ)"
        | "Sem0 (WHILE E DO B) C = (μ X. (λ σ. if E σ then Sem0 B X σ else C σ))"
        | "Sem0 (call F) C = (λ σ. C (F σ))"
        | "Sem0 (com.lock n) C = (λ σ. Inl(sema_evs.lock n) → C σ)"
        | "Sem0 (com.unlock n) C = (λ σ. Inl(sema_evs.unlock n) → C σ)"
        | "Sem0 (STORE E TO Xglo) C = (λ σ. Inr(glo_vars_ev.update Xglo (E σ)) → C σ)"
        | "Sem0 (LOAD Xloc FROM Xglo) C = (λ σ. (λ id. Inr(glo_vars_ev.read Xglo id)) ?x → C(σ(Xloc:=x)))"

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(λσ. 1 + 2);
'd' > 3) THEN lock 4 ELSE lock 3;
σ 'e' > 3) DO lock 4 ;
σ 'd' + 1) TO 'b';
FROM 'b';

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# Part V:

# A Formal Theory of Concurrency:

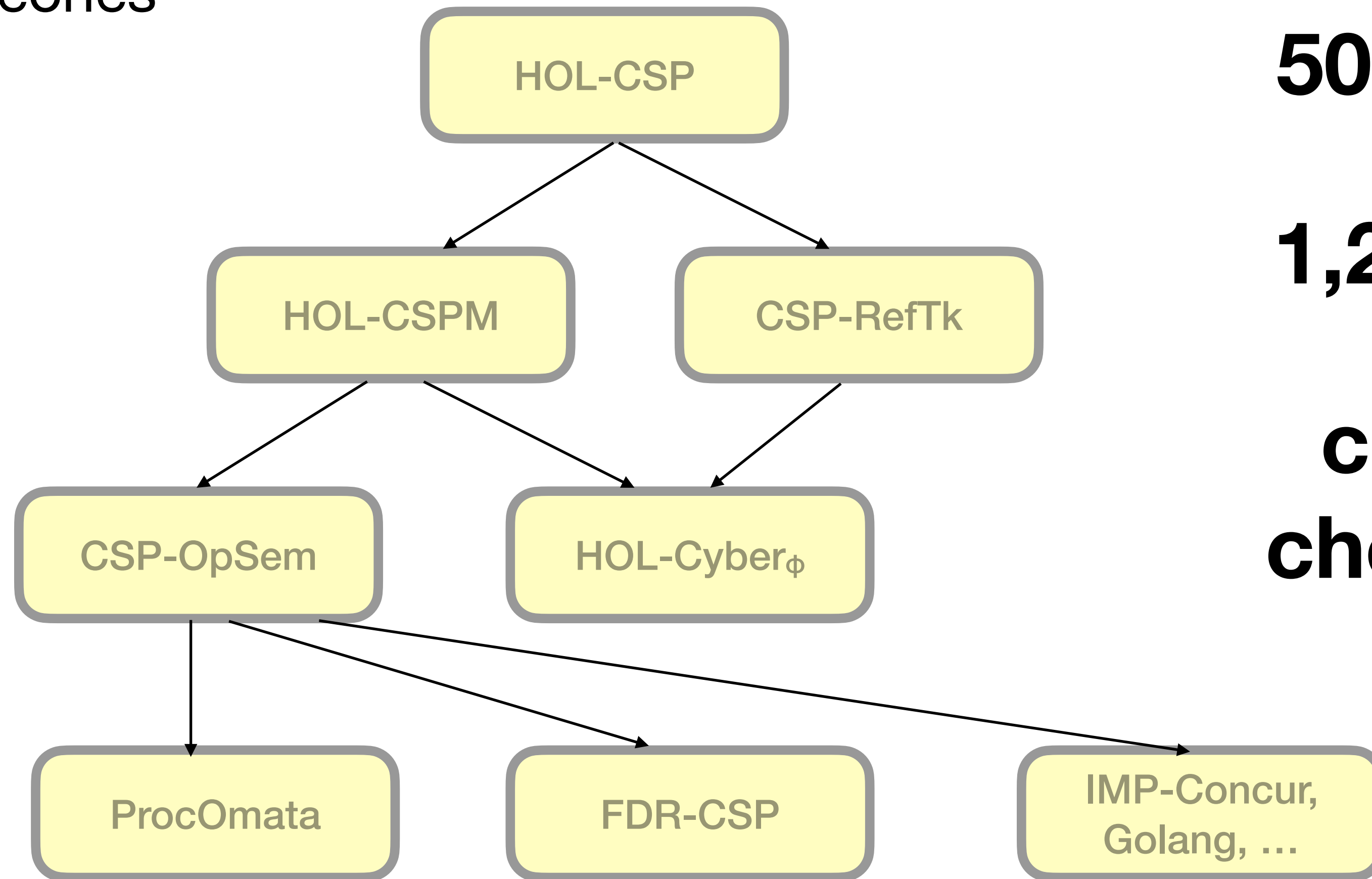
# Conclusions so far.

# Formalism and Theory

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(a certain proof would take  $10^9$  steps in the “Bourbaki-Method”)
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  - it takes too long to make a leading edge mathematical proof  
(Peter Schulze 1.0, before saying the contrary after the Liquid Tensor Experiment)

# HOL-CSP, CSP<sub>M</sub>, ProcOmata, HOL-Cyber<sub>φ</sub>

- Architecture of the CSP Theories



**50 k Loc**

**1,2 kthm**

**continuous  
check on AFP**

**[www.isa-afp.org/entries/HOL-CSP.html](http://www.isa-afp.org/entries/HOL-CSP.html)**

# Formalism and Theory

- On the downside, there is still so much to do ...
- On the upside, there are quite important advantages of a Formal Development of Concurrency:
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# Thank you

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# A Bluffers Guide to Isabelle Proofs

- The idea of a “Formal Proof” (in contrast to a paper-and-pencil proof) has its roots in the 20th century
- Result of a Crisis: Too many false “proofs”, therefore quest for logical foundations of Math, Physics and Engineering
- ... semi-automated procedures construct most of formal proofs.
- Since we use as method to analyse RSS formal proof ... we’d like to elaborate this a bit.
- Details: Online course on interactive theorem proving:  
([www.lri.fr/~wolff/teach-material/2020-2021/M2-CSMR/index.html](http://www.lri.fr/~wolff/teach-material/2020-2021/M2-CSMR/index.html))

# Formalism and Theory

- A personal statement :

I am a Formalist

- I believe that only formal proofs based on formalised definitions can give certainty and some form of scientific objectivity
- above all, a proof SHOULD be reproducible like a physical experiment - independent from human subjectivity and social processes
- Intuition is a human necessity, but treacherous.
- David Hilbert: "One must be able to say at all times --instead of points, straight lines, and planes-- tables, chairs, and beer mugs."

- This is not just a spleen, it is a epistemological position.

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- The Philosophical Counter-Position: Intuitionism
    - (Brouwer): the truth of a mathematical statement is a subjective claim: a mathematical statement corresponds to a mental construction, and a mathematician can assert the truth of a statement only by verifying the validity of that construction by [intuition](#).
  - Supporters: Einstein
    - „Der intuitive Geist ist ein heiliges Geschenk und der rationale Verstand ein treuer Diener.“
- But:
- „Seit sich die Mathematiker über meine Relativitätstheorie gebeugt haben, verstehe ich sie selber nicht mehr ...“

# Formalism and Theory

- More vulgar variants of the intuitionistic position:
  - it is empirically evident that a mathematical proof just holds independent of a prover
  - it is the mathematical community that decides anyway ...  
the social process among the “savants” is sufficient to assure truth
  - formalisation is just an “implementation” of a proof,  
a “mechanisation” (english language)
  - did you prove your prover ?
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