

Hazard-based Selection of Test Cases

Functional Safety of Mechatronic Systems

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Machine *I*: An airbag system ...



Context *E*: ...in a car operated out in a street by a human driver.

“... functional safety methods have to extend to non-E/E/PS parts of the system ...”²

“... functional safety can[not] be determined without considering the environment ...”²

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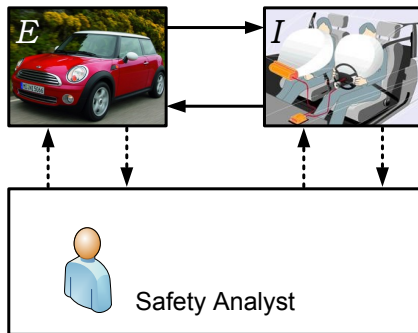
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Functional¹ model M_W :

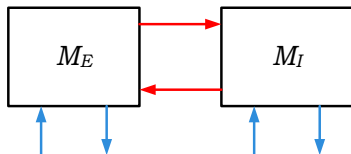


M_I describing the mechatronic system I and
 M_E describing its operational environment E .

¹Cf. [Bro10].

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A **system boundary** allows interaction across **shared phenomena**¹:



$M_E \blacktriangleright M_I \triangleq$ repaired(Airbag), refilled(Gas),
signal(activate,Airbag), on(crashSensor), ...

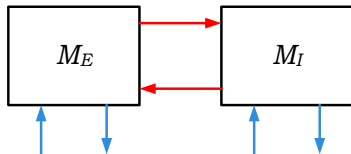
$M_E \blacktriangleleft M_I \triangleq$ released(Airbag), ...

where $A \blacktriangleright B = ctrVar(A) \cap monVar(B)$.

¹Cf. [Jac01, PM95]

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Supportive phenomena for safety modelling and measurement:

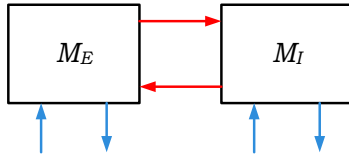


$M_E \setminus M_I \triangleq$ crashed(Car), shocked(Car), deformed(Car), protected(Person), driving(Car), irritated(Passenger), ...

$M_I \setminus M_E \triangleq$ empty(Airbag), ...

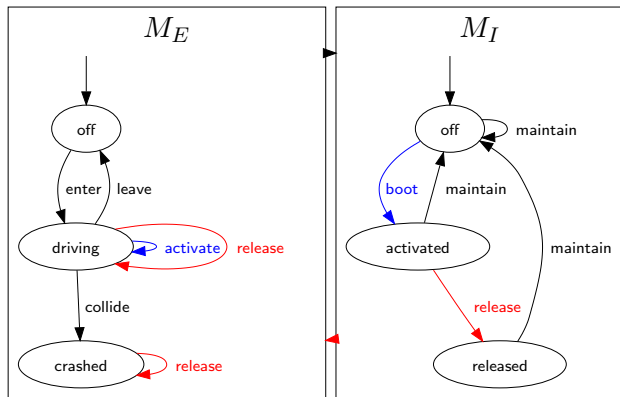
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Interface behaviour \triangleq histories of shared phenomena states:



Intervals	...	n	$n + j$...	m	→
shocked(Car)	F	T	T	F	F	F	F	...
deformed(Car)	0	2	10	10	10	10	10	...
crashed(Car)	F	F	F	T	T	T	T	...
signal(crash)	F	F	F	T	T	T	T	...
released(Airbag)	F	F	F	F	T	T	T	...
...

M_W as a Test Model



Independent control states, transitions with action preconditions and effects¹.

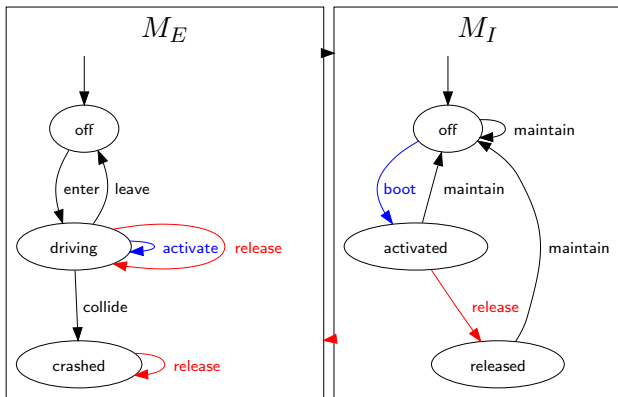
Where to get the information?

System use cases → M_I, M_E

Domain and context analysis → M_E

¹Details in GOLOG script, cf. [Rei01].

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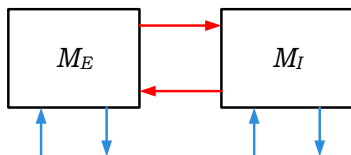


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Problem: Which of M_W 's possible or mutated transitions may obstruct safety in M_E ?

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Functional Safety in M_W



Functional
safety goal³

Behavioral property to globally maintain (or avoid) in E , formally: $\square\phi$

$G \triangleq$

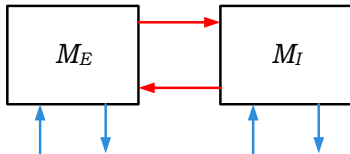
$\square\textit{protected}(\textit{Body})$

$G' \triangleq$

$\square[\textit{crashed}(\textit{Car}) \rightarrow \diamond_{<400ms}\textit{absorbed}(\textit{Body}) \wedge$
 $\blacksquare\neg\textit{crashed}(\textit{Car}) \rightarrow \square\neg\textit{released}(\textit{Airbag})]$

³Cf. [MP95].

Functional Safety in M_W



A/G safety specification G split into **Assumptions** for E and **Guarantees** for I , formally: $\bigvee_i As_i \rightarrow Gr_i \models G$

$As_1 \triangleq$ $\square[crashed(Car) \leftrightarrow \bullet signal(crash)]$
 ... “reliable **crash sensing** expected from E ”

$Gr_1 \triangleq$ $\square[signal(crash) \leftrightarrow \diamond_{<200ms} released(Airbag)]$
 ... “reliable **bag disengaging** required from I ”

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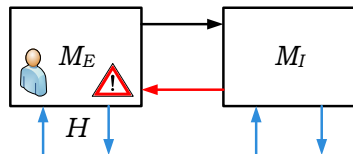
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Obstacles² to Functional Safety in M_W

What obstructs a functional safety goal G in W ?



Hazard H Risk of human or environmental harm in E

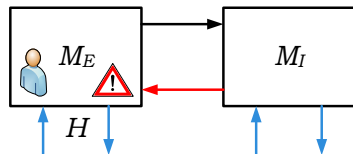
$H_1 \rightarrow G'$ $\triangleq \diamond[\text{crashed}(\text{Car}) \wedge \bullet\text{harmed}(\text{Person})]$

$H_2 \rightarrow G'$ $\triangleq \diamond[\blacksquare\neg\text{crashed}(\text{Car}) \wedge \bullet\text{harmed}(\text{Person})]$

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Obstacles² to Functional Safety in M_W

How can such obstructions happen in W ?



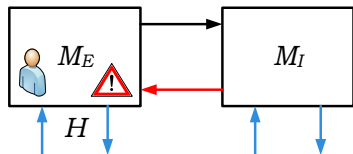
Hazardous state σ State of M_E (or $M_E \cap M_I$) leading to H

σ_{H_1G}	$\triangleq \text{signal}(\text{crash}) \rightarrow \neg \text{released}(\text{Airbag})$
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σ_{H_3A}	$\triangleq \text{crashed}(\text{Car}) \rightarrow \neg \text{signal}(\text{crash})$
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How can such obstructions be generated from M_W ?



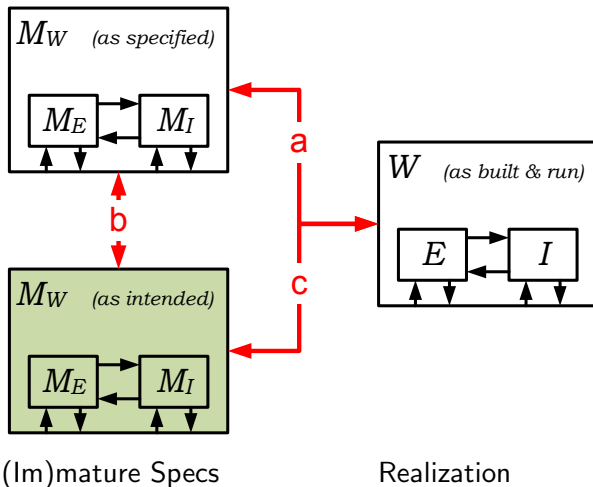
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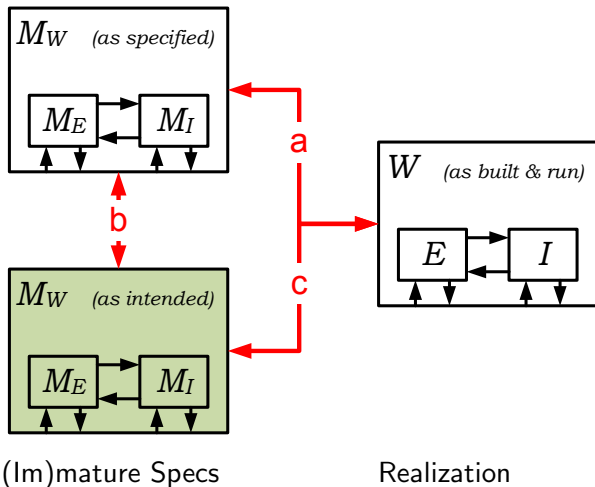


a) Potential bug or runtime error.

Assurance by system testing **too weak** and incomplete.

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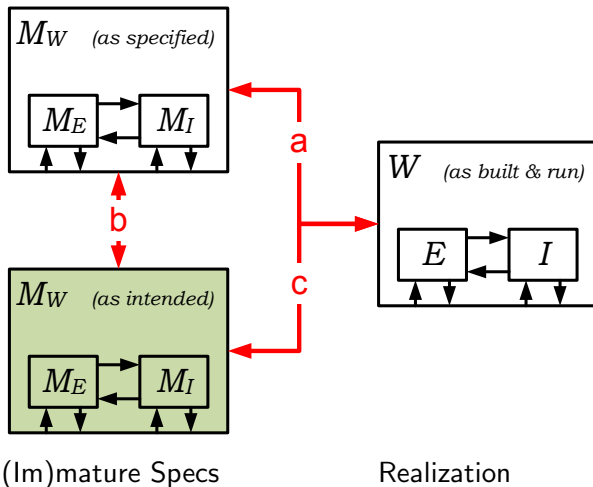


b) Requirements error, e.g. wrong assumption or guarantee; wrong, incomplete or missing transition.

Assurance by requirements validation.

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c) Bug or runtime error.

Assurance by automated system testing
strengthened by validation.

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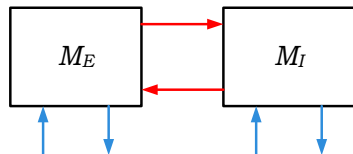
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Notions relevant for testing-based safety assurance:



Test case t \triangleq action sequence possible in M_W

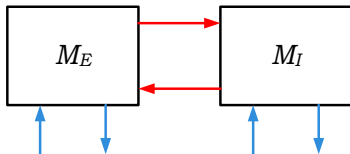
Test suite \mathcal{T} \triangleq set of test cases, e.g.:
 $\langle collide, release \rangle, \langle release, looseControl \rangle, \dots$

Test case specification³ τ \triangleq state expression over phenomena capturing a test goal

³Cf. [Bri10, Pre03].

Hazard-based Test Case Specifications as Test Goals

Specifying negative test cases t based on a hazardous state σ :



Informal: Are there test sequences based on M_W that exhibit unwanted airbag behaviour?

Formal: $\tau_1 \triangleq (\exists t). \sigma_{H_2G} \models H$
 $\triangleq (\exists t). \neg \text{signal}(\text{crash}, t) \rightarrow \text{released}(\text{Airbag}, t)$

Validate M_W and Generate Test Cases

Generate test cases of length 7 in GOLOG:

```
propOfInterest(T) :- not(signal(crash,T)),
    released(Airbag,T).
do(testcontrol(7),s0,T), propOfInterest(T).
```

The selection results in a suite \mathcal{T}_{τ_1} leading to σ_{H_2G} , e.g.:
 $\cong \langle activate, boot, collide, activate, release \rangle$

```
T = do(step, do(release(airbag1),
    do(step, do(activate(airbag2),
        do(step, do(collide(_G110, _G111),
            do(step, do(boot(airbag1),
                do(step, do(activate(airbag1), s0)))))))))))))
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Local coverage yields all paths in M_W to σ_{H_2G} .

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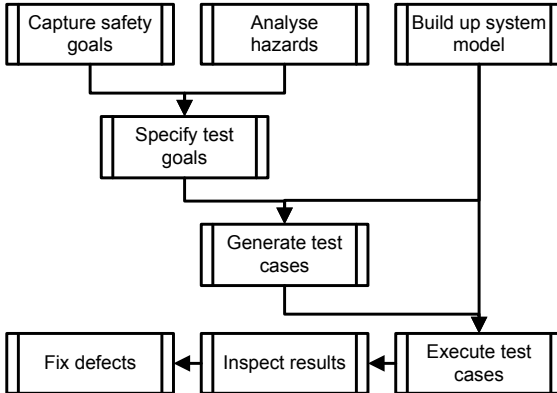
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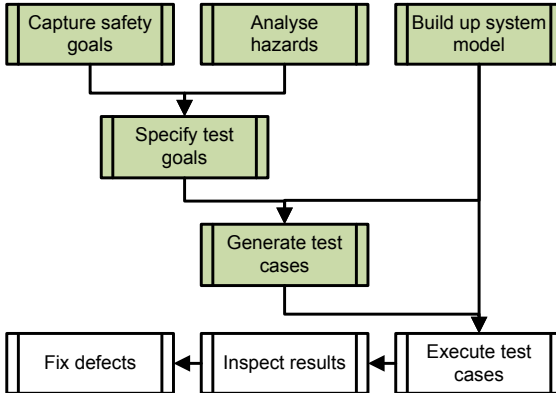
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Further Work

- ① Treatment of sets of safety goals or A/G safety specifications,
- ② Isolated assurance of a feature,
- ③ Exploration of hazard mitigation patterns for defect removal, cf. [Gle11].

Contribution to Solving AST Model Problems³ ...

- ...REQ 1&2: How to cover safety requirements by tests?
- ...INT 8: How to observe architecture to test for functional safety defects?
- ...INT 10: How to test for hazards?

³Cf. Architecture Support for Testing (AST) Model Problems at <http://labsewiki.isti.cnr.it/projects/ast/ast2011pisa/main>.

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