### Causal Block Diagrams (CBDs) a family of formalisms

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#### (computationally) a-causal vs. causal





# concrete/abstract syntax, semantic mapping/domain-- denotational semantics



#### concrete/abstract syntax, semantic mapping/domain -- operational semantics



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#### a family of Causal Block Diagram (CBD) formalisms

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#### denotational semantics of individual blocks



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$$mrx, mry \in CR$$

$$- : cR \rightarrow cR$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} n - 2^n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} n + 1 \\ m + 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} n + 1 \\ m + 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$m \vee 2 = m \vee 2 + m \vee 2 \qquad m \vee 2 \\ m \vee 2 = m \vee 2 + m \vee 2 \qquad m \vee 2 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$+ : CR \times CR \longrightarrow CR$$



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#### denotational semantics of "composition"



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#### perational semantics aive/optimal approach



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# operational semantics scheduling

schedule = [m, oom, k, mk, a]





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depGraph = buildDepGraph(CBD)
schedule = topologicalSort(depGraph)

for block in schedule: block.compute()



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operational semantics cyclic dependency aka algebraic loop

under-determined set of equations

→ solution is sub-space



$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\$$



"solving" a linear loop

#### non-linear loop



#### how to find an algebraic loop?



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### operational semantics schedule = topologicalSortAndLoopDetect(depGraph(CBD)) O(N+E)for genBlock in schedule: O(N)? genBlock.compute() Somé sens of (ourles # QNS (Size M) Solver (omrierity $\leq O(M^3)$ USVAlly $M \ll N$

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i = 0

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while (not end_condition(i, ...)):
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 $\mathsf{schedule} = [y, \, \mathsf{one}, \, x, \, [\![ C ]\!]$ 



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    gblock.compute()
else:
  exit()
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  for gblock in schedule:
    gblock.compute()
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#### HOOKE'S LAW

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$$E = -k\pi$$
  $\pi cc$ 

$$F = m \alpha$$

$$F = m \frac{dv}{dt} = m \frac{dl}{dt^{2}}$$

$$V = \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = -\frac{k}{m} \pi, v(t) \qquad \begin{array}{c} ODF \\ ODF \\ OVE ONAMY \\ DIFFERENTIAT \\ FONS \\ \frac{dx}{dt} = v, \pi(t) \qquad PDE \\ \frac{dx}{dt} = v, \pi(t) \qquad PDE \\ \frac{dx}{dt} = v, \pi(t) \qquad FDE \\ \end{array}$$

### **F** = m **a** is <u>not</u> "rocket science"









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 $\rightarrow\,$  If choice: prefer intergration over differentiations



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HARMOVIC EQN.

$$\frac{d^{2}z}{dt^{2}} = -z, \quad z(o) = x_{,p}, \quad \frac{dx}{dt}(o) = u(o) = V_{,p} \quad \text{ODE}$$

$$\int_{0}^{1} \frac{dx}{dt} = V, \quad x(p) = x_{,p}$$

$$\int_{0}^{1} \frac{du}{dt} = -x, \quad v(p) = V_{,p}$$



HARMONIC EQN.

$$\frac{dl_{2}}{dt^{2}} = -2, \quad 2(0) = Y_{\beta}, \quad \frac{dn}{dt}(0) = U(0) = V_{\beta} \quad ODE$$

$$\int \frac{dr}{dt^{2}} = \sqrt{n}, \quad n(\beta) = X_{\beta}$$

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$$\frac{d^{k}x}{dt^{k}} = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{d}{dt} \left( \dots \frac{d}{dt} \right) \right)$$

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$$\int \pi(t) = A \sin(t) + B \cos(t) \left(t + \zeta_{1}^{1}\right) \qquad \qquad \pi(t) = C^{x} + \zeta$$

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$$\frac{d\pi}{dt} = A \cos(t) - B \sin(t)$$

$$\frac{dt_{x}}{dt} = -A \sin(t) - B \sin(t) \qquad \qquad = -(A \sin(t) + B \cos(t)) = -\pi(t) \quad q.e.d.$$

$$\pi(o) = B = 4$$

$$\frac{d\pi}{dt} = 1$$

$$f(o) = A = 1$$

$$\frac{d\pi}{dt} = 1$$

$$\int \pi(t) = \sin(t) \qquad \qquad = 1$$

$$\frac{d\pi}{dt} = \sqrt{t}$$

$$\frac{d\pi}{dt} = x$$







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- Smallest non-zero positive number =  $b^m x b^{-1} = 1/8$
- Largest non-zero positive number =  $b^{M} x (1 b^{-s}) = 7/4$
- Smallest gap =  $b^m x b^{-s} = 1/32$
- Largest gap =  $b^{M} x b^{-s} = 1/4$
- Number of representable numbers = 2x((M-m)+1)x(b-1)xb<sup>s-1</sup>+1 = 33
   ... fits into available bits? Optimal number of bits?
- Note: fill the gap around 0: de-normalized

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modularizing: introducing ports/interfaces



#### semantics?

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#### As-Fast-As-Possible vs. Real-time



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MiL, HiL, SiL, ...

## XiL: X = Model, Software, Processor, Hardware



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#### Hybrid (discrete-continuous) modelling/simulation



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### "bouncing ball" hybrid abstraction





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## problem: full-system analysis









# problem: **full-system analysis** (also when IP protected)

**Overture** 

MATLAB<sup>[3]</sup>

SIMULINK

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Env.

Controller

Body


### problem: full-system analysis (also when IP protected)

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solution: combine sub-system **simulators** 

MATLAB<sup>[3]</sup>

SIMULINK

#### aka co-simulation

Cláudio Gomes, Casper Thule, David Broman, Peter Gorm Larsen, Hans Vangheluwe Co-Simulation: A Survey. ACM Comput. Surv.51(3): 49:1-49:33 (2018)



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#### co-simulation: how?

#### (when IP protected)









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#### Deconstructing a Simulator: Functional Mockup Unit (FMU)



#### Model-Solver Interface Simulator-Environment Interface



Martin Otter and Hilding Elmquist.

DSblock

The DSblock interface for exchanging model components. Eurosim '95 Simulation Congress. pp. 505- 510. 1995.

MSL-EXEC Henk Vanhooren, Jurgen Meirlaen, Youri Amerlinck, Filip Claeys, Hans Vangheluwe, and Peter A. Vanrolleghem. WEST: Modelling biological wastewater treatment. Journal of Hydroinformatics, 5(1):27--50, 2003.

### meaningful operational semantics (Models of Computation)



Computational Semantics "inline integration" (Cellier)







# The leading standard to exchange dynamic simulation models

The Functional Mock-up Interface is a free standard that defines a container and an interface to exchange dynamic simulation models using a combination of XML files, binaries and C code, distributed as a ZIP file. It is supported by 180+ tools and maintained as a Modelica Association Project.

Why FMI

Complete Package 3.0.1

Specification 3.0.1

🖹 Implementers' Guide

https://fmi-standard.org/

#### **Functional Mock-up Interface (FMI)**

- XML + Binary Representation for Models
  - Standard
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  - +/- Black box ...





#### Symbolic information: FMU - XML

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="iso-8859-1"?>
<fmiModelDescription fmiVersion="1.0"
 modelName="BackEulerExmpl"
 modelIdentifier="BackEulerExmpl"
 guid="{7c4e810f-3da3-4a00-8276-176fa3c9f000}"
 numberOfContinuousStates="1"
 numberOfEventIndicators="0">
 <ModelVariables>
  <ScalarVariable
         name="Delay" valueReference="0">
    <Real start="0.0" fixed="true" />
  </ScalarVariable>
  <ScalarVariable
         name="stepSize" valueReference="1">
    <Real start="0.1" fixed="true" />
  </ScalarVariable>
  <ScalarVariable
         name="Product" valueReference="2">
    <Real start="0.0" fixed="true" />
  </ScalarVariable>
  <ScalarVariable
         name="Negator" valueReference="3">
    <Real start="0.0" fixed="true" />
  </ScalarVariable>
  <ScalarVariable
         name="Adder" valueReference="4">
    <Real start="0.0" fixed="true" />
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</fmiModelDescription>
```



#### Behaviour information: FMU - C

```
fmi2Status fmi2DoStep(fmi2Component fc , fmi2Real currentCommPoint, fmi2Real commStepSize, fmi2Boolean
    noPrevFMUState)
{
    FMUInstance* fi = (FMUInstance *)fc;
    fmi2Status simStatus = fmi2OK;
    printf("%s in fmiDoStep()\n",fi->instanceName);
    fi->currentTime = currentCommPoint + commStepSize;
    printf("Motor_in: %f\n", fi->r[_motor_in]);
    printf("slave CBD_PART2 now at time: %f\n", fi->currentTime);
    fi->r[_position] = fi->r[_position] + fi->r[_velocity] * commStepSize;
    fi->r[_velocity] = fi->r[_velocity] + fi->r[_acceleration_after_friction] * commStepSize;
    fi->r[ friction] = fi->r[ velocity] * 5.81;
    fi->r[_motor_acceleration] = fi->r[_motor_in] * 40;
    fi->r[_acceleration_after_friction] = fi->r[_motor_acceleration] - fi->r[_friction];
    return simStatus;
}
fmi2Status fmi2GetReal(fmi2Component fc, const fmi2ValueReference vr[], size_t nvr, fmi2Real value[])
{
   FMUInstance* comp = (FMUInstance *)fc;
   int i;
   for (i = 0; i < nvr; i++)</pre>
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       value[i] = comp->r[(vr[i])];
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   return fmi20K:
}
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 $t_0$ , **p**, initial values (a subset of { $\dot{\mathbf{x}}_0$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_0$ ,  $\mathbf{y}_0$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_0$ ,  $\mathbf{m}_0$ })



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#### co-simulation: how? (when IP protected)



## Co-simulation: how?







#### Co-simulation master

State machine calling sequence Master-Slave



## Co-simulation: how?



Looking inside a simulator/solver for Causal Block Diagrams (CBDs)



```
\begin{array}{l} logicalTime \leftarrow 0 \\ \textbf{while not end\_condition do} \\ schedule \leftarrow LOOPDETECT(DEPGRAPH(cbd)) \\ \textbf{for gblock in schedule do} \\ COMPUTE(gblock) \\ \textbf{end for} \\ logicalTime \leftarrow logicalTime + \Delta t \\ \textbf{end while} \end{array}
```

CBD simulation algorithm can also be used for scheduling at level of Master

need "zero-delay feedthrough" information (algebraic loops)

Caveat: naive



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- 3. COMPLETE DEP GRAMM MTH DON (B)
  - 4. FUL SONT/WOR PETER

MULTIPLE TEST ALOCK FIXED POINT













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Figure 4.10: Y-position of the elevator



Figure 4.12: Position of ball 2

