

# Conscriptions: a new relational model for sequential computations

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# Hoare-He Designs

$$p \vdash r \hat{=} ok \wedge p \Rightarrow r \wedge ok'$$

	$\neg ok'$	$ok'$
$\neg ok$	T	T
$ok$	$\neg p$	$\neg p \vee r$

# Extreme Hoare-He designs

**skip**<sub>d</sub>  $\hat{=}$  true  $\vdash v' = v$

**abort**<sub>d</sub>  $\hat{=}$  false  $\vdash$  true

**magic**<sub>d</sub>  $\hat{=}$  true  $\vdash$  false

**chaos**<sub>d</sub>  $\hat{=}$  true  $\vdash$  true

# Sequential Composition of Designs

	$\neg ok'$	$ok'$
$\neg ok$	T	T
$ok$	$\neg p$	$\neg p \vee r$

	$\neg ok'$	$ok'$
$\neg ok$	T	T
$ok$	$\neg q$	$\neg q \vee s$

$(p \vdash r); (q \vdash s)$

	$\neg ok'$	$ok'$
$\neg ok$	$(T; T) \vee (T; \neg q)$	$(T; T) \vee (T; \neg q \vee s)$
$ok$	$(\neg p; T) \vee (\neg p \vee r; \neg q)$	$(\neg p; T) \vee (\neg p \vee r; \neg q \vee s)$

which simplifies to

	$\neg ok'$	$ok'$
$\neg ok$	$\mathbf{T}$	$\mathbf{T}$
$ok$	$(\neg p; \mathbf{T}) \vee (r; \neg q)$	$(\neg p; \mathbf{T}) \vee (r; \neg q) \vee (r; s)$

which is the matrix representation of the design

$$\neg (\neg p; \mathbf{T}) \wedge \neg (r; \neg q) \vdash (r; s)$$

## Skip left-unit property for designs

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{skip}_d ; (p \vdash r) \\ &= (\text{true} \vdash v' = v) ; (p \vdash r) \\ &= \neg (\neg \text{true} ; \mathbf{T}) \wedge \neg (v' = v ; \neg p) \vdash (v' = v ; r) \\ &= (\text{true} \wedge p) \vdash r \\ & \quad p \vdash r \end{aligned}$$

## Skip right-unit property for designs

$$\begin{aligned} & (p \vdash r); \mathbf{skip}_d \\ &= (p \vdash r); (\text{true} \vdash v' = v) \\ &= \neg(\neg p; \mathbf{T}) \wedge \neg(r; \neg \text{true}) \vdash (r; v' = v) \\ &= \neg(\neg p; \mathbf{T}) \wedge \neg(r; \text{false}) \vdash r \\ &= \neg(\neg p; \mathbf{T}) \wedge \neg \text{false} \vdash r \\ &= \neg(\neg p; \mathbf{T}) \wedge \text{true} \vdash r \\ &= \neg(\neg p; \mathbf{T}) \vdash r \end{aligned}$$

So  $\mathbf{skip}_d$  is a right unit of sequential composition only for designs  $p \vdash r$  where  $\neg(\neg p; \mathbf{T}) = p$ , which is equivalent to requiring that  $(p; \mathbf{T}) = p$ .

# Normal Designs

We call designs which do satisfy the skip right-unit law for sequential composition **normal designs**.

A homogeneous binary relation  $A$  with input alphabet  $\{v, ok\}$  is a normal design if and only if it satisfies

$$\mathbf{skip}_d ; A = A = A ; \mathbf{skip}_d$$

and

$$\mathbf{abort}_d ; A = \mathbf{abort}_d$$

and in that case we have that

$$A = \neg (\neg A_{\text{tf}} ; \mathbf{T}) \vdash A_{\text{tt}}$$

where  $A_{\text{tf}}$  is  $A[\text{true}, \text{false}/ok, ok']$  and  $A_{\text{tt}}$  is  $A[\text{true}, \text{true}/ok, ok']$ .



# Prescriptions

$$p \Vdash r \hat{=} (ok \wedge p \Rightarrow ok') \wedge (ok' \Rightarrow r \wedge ok)$$

	$\neg ok'$	$ok'$
$\neg ok$	T	F
$ok$	$\neg p$	$r$

# Extreme Prescriptions

**skip**<sub>p</sub>  $\hat{=}$  true  $\Vdash v' = v$

**abort**<sub>p</sub>  $\hat{=}$  false  $\Vdash$  false

**anarchy**<sub>p</sub>  $\hat{=}$  false  $\Vdash$  true

**magic**<sub>p</sub>  $\hat{=}$  true  $\Vdash$  false

**chaos**<sub>p</sub>  $\hat{=}$  true  $\Vdash$  true

# Sequential Composition of Prescriptions

	$\neg ok'$	$ok'$
$\neg ok$	T	F
$ok$	$\neg p$	$r$

	$\neg ok'$	$ok'$
$\neg ok$	T	F
$ok$	$\neg q$	$s$

$(p \Vdash r); (q \Vdash s)$

	$\neg ok'$	$ok'$
$\neg ok$	$(T; T) \vee (F; \neg q)$	$(T; F) \vee (F; s)$
$ok$	$(\neg p; T) \vee (r; \neg q)$	$(\neg p; F) \vee (r; s)$

which simplifies to

	$\neg ok'$	$ok'$
$\neg ok$	T	F
$ok$	$(\neg p; T) \vee (r; \neg q)$	$(r; s)$

which is the matrix representation of the prescription

$$\neg(\neg p; T) \wedge \neg(r; \neg q) \Vdash (r; s)$$

# Algebraic Characterisation of Prescriptions

A homogeneous binary relation  $A$  with input alphabet  $\{v, ok\}$  is a prescription if and only if it satisfies both

$$\mathbf{skip}_p ; A = A$$

and

$$\mathbf{abort}_p ; A = \mathbf{abort}_p$$

and in that case we have that

$$A = \neg A_{\text{tf}} \vdash A_{\text{tt}}$$

where  $A_{\text{tf}}$  is  $A[\text{true}, \text{false}/ok, ok']$  and  $A_{\text{tt}}$  is  $A[\text{true}, \text{true}/ok, ok']$ .

# Normal Prescriptions

We call prescriptions which do satisfy the skip right-unit law for sequential composition **normal prescriptions**.

A homogeneous binary relation  $A$  with input alphabet  $\{v, ok\}$  is a normal prescription if and only if it satisfies

$$\mathbf{skip}_p ; A = A = A ; \mathbf{skip}_p$$

and

$$\mathbf{abort}_p ; A = \mathbf{abort}_p$$

and in that case we have that

$$A = \neg (\neg A_{\text{tf}} ; \mathbf{T}) \Vdash A_{\text{tt}}$$

where  $A_{\text{tf}}$  is  $A[\text{true}, \text{false}/ok, ok']$  and  $A_{\text{tt}}$  is  $A[\text{true}, \text{true}/ok, ok']$ .

# Conscriptions

$$p \# r \hat{=} (ok \wedge p \Rightarrow ok') \wedge (ok' \Rightarrow r \wedge ok) \wedge (\neg ok \Rightarrow v' = v)$$

	$\neg ok'$	$ok'$
$\neg ok$	$v' = v$	F
$ok$	$\neg p$	$r$

# Extreme Constrictions

**skip<sub>c</sub>**  $\hat{=}$  true  $\# \#$   $v' = v$

**abort<sub>c</sub>**  $\hat{=}$  false  $\# \#$  false

**anarchy<sub>c</sub>**  $\hat{=}$  false  $\# \#$  true

**magic<sub>c</sub>**  $\hat{=}$  true  $\# \#$  false

**chaos<sub>c</sub>**  $\hat{=}$  true  $\# \#$  true



# Sequential Composition of Constrictions

	$\neg ok'$	$ok'$
$\neg ok$	$v' = v$	F
$ok$	$\neg p$	$r$

	$\neg ok'$	$ok'$
$\neg ok$	$v' = v$	F
$ok$	$\neg q$	$s$

$(p \# r); (q \# s)$       where  $I_v$  stands for  $v' = v$

	$\neg ok'$	$ok'$
$\neg ok$	$(I_v; I_v) \vee (F; \neg q)$	$(I_v; F) \vee (F; s)$
$ok$	$(\neg p; I_v) \vee (r; \neg q)$	$(\neg p; F) \vee (r; s)$

which simplifies to

	$\neg ok'$	$ok'$
$\neg ok$	$v' = v$	F
$ok$	$\neg p \vee (r; \neg q)$	$(r; s)$

which is the matrix representation of the conscription

$$p \wedge \neg (r; \neg q) \Vdash (r; s)$$

# Algebraic Characterisation of Conscriptions

A homogeneous binary relation  $A$  with input alphabet  $\{v, ok\}$  is a conscription if and only if it satisfies

$$\mathbf{abort}_c ; A = \mathbf{abort}_c$$

and in that case we have that

$$A = \neg A_{\text{tf}} \text{ } \# \text{ } A_{\text{tt}}$$

where  $A_{\text{tf}}$  is  $A[\text{true}, \text{false}/ok, ok']$  and  $A_{\text{tt}}$  is  $A[\text{true}, \text{true}/ok, ok']$ .

Since  $\mathbf{skip}_c$  is  $\text{true} \Vdash v' = v$ , its matrix representation is

	$\neg ok'$	$ok'$
$\neg ok$	$v' = v$	F
$ok$	F	$v' = v$

which is clearly both a left and right unit of matrix multiplication.

Hence every conscription is **normal**, in the sense that  $\mathbf{skip}_c$  is both a left and a right unit of sequential composition for all conscriptions.

$$\mathbf{skip}_c ; A = A = A ; \mathbf{skip}_c$$

## Extended models

Use a second boolean auxiliary variable *term* in addition to *ok* to distinguish between non-termination and abortion, where *term* is only significant when *ok* is true.

## Extended designs

$$p \vdash_X r \quad \hat{=} \quad (ok \wedge term \wedge p \Rightarrow r \wedge ok') \wedge (term' \Rightarrow term) \\ \wedge (\neg term \Rightarrow ok) \wedge (\neg term' \Rightarrow ok').$$

where  $p$  is of the form  $p(v)$ , and  $r$  is of the form  $r(v, v', term')$  such that  $r[\text{false}/term']$  does not constrain  $v'$  when  $p$  holds.

	$\neg ok' \wedge term$	$ok' \wedge \neg term'$	$ok' \wedge term'$
$\neg ok \wedge term$	T	T	T
$ok \wedge \neg term$	F	T	F
$ok \wedge term$	$\neg p$	$\neg p \vee r_f$	$\neg p \vee r_t$

where  $r_f$  is  $r[\text{false}/term']$  and  $r_t$  is  $r[\text{true}/term']$ .

## Extended Constrictions

$$p \text{ \# }_X r \quad \hat{=} \quad (ok \wedge term \wedge p \Rightarrow ok') \wedge (ok' \wedge term \Rightarrow r \wedge ok) \\ \wedge (term' \Rightarrow term) \wedge (\neg term \Rightarrow ok) \wedge (\neg term' \Rightarrow ok') \\ \wedge (\neg ok \Rightarrow v' = v \wedge term = term')$$

where  $p$  is of the form  $p(v, v')$ , and  $r$  is of the form  $r(v, v', term')$  such that  $r[\text{false}/term']$  does not constrain  $v'$ .

	$\neg ok' \wedge term$	$ok' \wedge \neg term'$	$ok' \wedge term'$
$\neg ok \wedge term$	$v' = v$	F	F
$ok \wedge \neg term$	F	T	F
$ok \wedge term$	$\neg p$	$r_f$	$r_t$

where  $r_f$  is  $r[\text{false}/term']$  and  $r_t$  is  $r[\text{true}/term']$ .

# Extreme Extended Constrictions

<b>skip</b> <sub>xc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	true	$\#_X$	$v' = v \wedge term'$
<b>abort</b> <sub>xc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	false	$\#_X$	false
<b>anarchy</b> <sub>xc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	false	$\#_X$	true
<b>magic</b> <sub>xc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	true	$\#_X$	false
<b>chaos</b> <sub>xc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	true	$\#_X$	true
<b>terminate</b> <sub>xc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	true	$\#_X$	$term'$
<b>forever</b> <sub>xc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	true	$\#_X$	$\neg term'$
<b>mortal</b> <sub>xc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	false	$\#_X$	$term'$
<b>noterm</b> <sub>xc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	false	$\#_X$	$\neg term'$
<b>bone-idle</b> <sub>xc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	true	$\#_X$	$term' \Rightarrow v' = v$



# Sequential Composition of Extended Constrictions

$$(p \text{ \# } r); (q \text{ \# } s)$$

	$\neg ok' \wedge term$	$ok' \wedge \neg term'$	$ok' \wedge term'$
$\neg ok \wedge term$	$(I_v; I_v)$ $\vee (F; F)$ $\vee (F; \neg q)$	$(I_v; F)$ $\vee (F; T)$ $\vee (F; s_f)$	$(I_v; F)$ $\vee (F; F)$ $\vee (F; s_t)$
$ok \wedge \neg term$	$(F; I_v)$ $\vee (T; F)$ $\vee (F; \neg q)$	$(F; F)$ $\vee (T; T)$ $\vee (F; s_f)$	$(F; F)$ $\vee (T; F)$ $\vee (F; s_t)$
$ok \wedge term$	$(\neg p; I_v)$ $\vee (r_f; F)$ $\vee (r_t; \neg q)$	$(\neg p; F)$ $\vee (r_f; T)$ $\vee (r_t; s_f)$	$(\neg p; F)$ $\vee (r_f; F)$ $\vee (r_t; s_t)$

which simplifies to

	$\neg ok' \wedge term$	$ok' \wedge \neg term'$	$ok' \wedge term'$
$\neg ok \wedge term$	$v' = v$	F	F
$ok \wedge \neg term$	F	T	F
$ok \wedge term$	$\neg p \vee (r_t; \neg q)$	$r_f \vee (r_t; s_f)$	$r_t; s_t$

which, since  $(r_t; s_f) = (r_t; s)_f$  and  $(r_t; s_t) = (r_t; s)_t$ , is a matrix representation of the extended conscription

$$p \wedge \neg (r_t; \neg q) \text{ } \# \# \# \text{ } r_f \vee (r_t; s)$$

# Timed Models

- ▶ Refine the extended models by distinguishing between different finite times as well as infinite time.
- ▶ Auxiliary variable  $\tau$  recording the current time replaces *term*.
- ▶ The domain of time values can be either natural numbers or real numbers, in each case supplemented by infinity ( $\infty$ ) to represent non-termination.

# Timed Designs

$$p \vdash_T r \quad \hat{=} \quad (ok \wedge \tau < \infty \wedge p \Rightarrow ok' \wedge r) \wedge (\tau \leq \tau') \\ \wedge (\tau = \infty \Rightarrow ok) \wedge (\tau' = \infty \Rightarrow ok')$$

where  $p$  is of the form  $p(v, \tau, \tau')$ , and  $r$  is of the form  $r(v, v', \tau, \tau')$ .

Furthermore,  $p$  and  $r$  must satisfy these conditions:

$$\tau \leq \tau'' < \tau' \wedge p \Rightarrow p[\tau''/\tau']$$

$$\tau \neq \infty \wedge p \wedge \tau' = \infty \Rightarrow (r \Leftrightarrow \forall v'. r)$$

# Timed Constructions

$$p \Vdash_T r \quad \hat{=} \quad (ok \wedge \tau < \infty \wedge p \Rightarrow ok') \wedge (ok' \wedge \tau < \infty \Rightarrow r \wedge ok) \\ \wedge (\tau = \infty \Rightarrow ok) \wedge (\tau' = \infty \Rightarrow ok') \wedge (\tau \leq \tau') \\ \wedge (\neg ok \Rightarrow v = v' \wedge \tau = \tau')$$

where  $p$  is of the form  $p(v, \tau, \tau')$ , and  $r$  is of the form  $r(v, v', \tau, \tau')$ .

Furthermore,  $p$  and  $r$  must satisfy the condition

$$\tau < \tau' = \infty \Rightarrow (r \Leftrightarrow \forall v'. r)$$

$p \Vdash_{\mathbb{T}} r$ 

	$\neg ok' \wedge \tau' < \infty$	$ok' \wedge \tau' = \infty$	$ok' \wedge \tau' < \infty$
$\neg ok \wedge \tau < \infty$	$v' = v \wedge$ $\tau = \tau' < \infty$	F	F
$ok \wedge \tau = \infty$	F	$\tau = \tau' = \infty$	F
$ok \wedge \tau < \infty$	$\neg p \wedge$ $\tau \leq \tau' < \infty$	$r \wedge$ $\tau < \tau' = \infty$	$r \wedge$ $\tau \leq \tau' < \infty$

# Extreme Timed Constrictions

<b>skip</b> <sub>tc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	true $\Vdash_T v = v' \wedge \tau = \tau'$
<b>idle</b> <sub>tc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	true $\Vdash_T v = v' \wedge \tau' < \infty$
<b>bone-idle</b> <sub>tc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	true $\Vdash_T \tau' < \infty \Rightarrow v = v'$
<b>eagerabort</b> <sub>tc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	$\tau < \tau' \Vdash_T \text{false}$
<b>lazyabort</b> <sub>tc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	false $\Vdash_T \text{false}$
<b>anarchy</b> <sub>tc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	false $\Vdash_T \text{true}$
<b>magic</b> <sub>tc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	true $\Vdash_T \text{false}$
<b>chaos</b> <sub>tc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	true $\Vdash_T \text{true}$
<b>terminate</b> <sub>tc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	true $\Vdash_T \tau' < \infty$
<b>forever</b> <sub>tc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	true $\Vdash_T \tau' = \infty$
<b>mortal</b> <sub>tc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	false $\Vdash_T \tau' < \infty$
<b>noterm</b> <sub>tc</sub>	$\hat{=}$	false $\Vdash_T \tau' = \infty$ .

# Sequential Composition of Timed Constrictions

## Interval Composition

For homogeneous binary relations  $A$  and  $B$  with a common input alphabet which includes  $\tau$ , define their **interval composition** as

$$A ;_{\tau} B \quad \hat{=} \quad A \wedge \tau \leq \tau' < \infty ; B \wedge \tau \leq \tau'$$

Then for timed constrictions  $p \Vdash_{\mathcal{X}} r$  and  $q \Vdash_{\mathcal{X}} s$  over the same alphabet

$$\begin{aligned} (p \Vdash_{\mathbb{T}} r) ; (q \Vdash_{\mathbb{T}} s) &= \\ p \wedge \neg (r ;_{\tau} \neg q) \Vdash_{\mathbb{T}} (r \wedge \tau' = \infty) \vee (r ;_{\tau} s) \end{aligned}$$



# Expressivity of timed conscriptions *versus* timed designs

The timed design

$$\tau' \leq \tau + 5 \vdash_{\mathcal{T}} \text{false}$$

runs for at least 5 time units before becoming anarchic.

But what about

$$\tau' > \tau + 5 \vdash_{\mathcal{T}} \text{false} ?$$

In fact this is not a healthy timed design, but we can instead write the timed conscription

$$\tau' > \tau + 5 \Vdash_{\mathcal{T}} \text{false}$$

which **must** abort within no more than 5 time units of starting.

Similarly, the timed conscription

$$\tau' > \tau + 5 \Vdash_{\mathbf{T}} \tau' = \infty$$

is at risk of aborting within its first 5 time units of execution, but if it manages to survive these first 5 time units it is then guaranteed to run forever.