Improved Parallel Composition

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Parallel composition

- Also known as Synchronous Product
- Used to combine components models into a system model.



Use case: Circuit Resynthesis

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Working example Two interconnected components and an environment specification





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Parallel Composition Example

Standard parallel composition



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Implicit places

- Also known as redundant places.
- Not necessary.
- Can appear in parallel composition even when there were none in the original Petri nets.



Implicit places effect

- Can affect the tools performance.
 - Model checking tools are generally not affected (there do exist some heuristics that are);
 - Structural tools are affected.
- Can be found if duplicate or shortcut.
- Hard to find in general.

Parallel Composition Example





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Transition contraction

- Structural operation.
- Reduces the number of transitions.
- Has some conditions of applicability.
- Affected by implicit places.





- Remove as many implicit places as possible.
- Perform it cheaply.

Computation interference

- CI means that a component produces output without others expecting it.
- We need FCI Freedom from Computation Interference.
- The composition does not make sense if FCI is violated.
- FCI is assumed anyway and can be guaranteed by model construction.



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Non-injective labelling

- Injective labelling signal label occurs at most once.
- Can be enforced with:
 - automated structural transformation;
 - manual transformations;
 - Petri net synthesis.
- Places preceding non-unique labels still carry information of which transition to fire.
- Such places can be left in the composition.



Dummy Transitions

- a^+b^+ does not produce any output in the original component.
- $a^+b^+x^+$ is possible if the place is removed.
- We do not remove such places.





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Experiment Set Up

- Choose a Balsa benchmark and its size
- Take individual component STGs
 - injectively labelled
 - with label-splitting
- Perform parallel composition
 - standard
 - improved
- Perform dummy contraction with DesiJ
 - safeness-preserving
 - all contractions

Balsa Benchmarks



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Experimental results Dummy transitions remaining after contraction in SegCallParSync

Safeness-preserving



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All contractions

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- The parallel composition improvement was developed and implemented in software.
- Significant improvement in some cases.
- Improvement comes at negligible computational cost.