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The PROB model checker [LB03] provides tool support for an integrated formal specification approach, which combines the state-based B specification language [Abr96] with the event-based process algebra CSP [Hoa78]. The JCSP package [WM00b] presents a concurrent Java implementation for CSP/occam.

In this thesis, we present a developing strategy for implementing such a combined specification as a concurrent Java program. The combined semantics in PROB is flexible and ideal for model checking, but is too abstract to be implemented in programming languages. Also, although the JCSP package gave us significant inspiration for implementing formal specifications in Java, we argue that it is not suitable for directly implementing the combined semantics in PROB. Therefore, we started with defining a restricted semantics from the original one in PROB. Then we developed a new Java package, JCSProB, for implementing the restricted semantics in Java. The JCSProB package implements multi-way synchronization with choice for the combined B and CSP event, as well as a new multi-threading mechanism at process level. Also, a GUI sub-package is designed for constructing GUI programs for JCSProB to allow user interaction and runtime assertion checking. A set of translation rules relates the integrated formal models to Java and JCSProB, and we also implement these rules in an automated translation tool for automatically generating Java programs from these models.

To demonstrate and exercise the tool, several B/CSP models, varying both in syntactic structure and behavioural properties, are translated by the tool. The models manifest the presence and absence of various safety, deadlock, and fairness properties; the generated Java code is shown to faithfully reproduce them. Run-time safety and fairness assertion checking is also demonstrated. We also experimented with composition and decomposition on several combined models, as well as the Java programs generated from them. Composition techniques can help the user to develop large distributed systems, and can significantly improve the scalability of the development of the combined models of PROB.
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Chapter 1

Introduction

“Program testing can be used to show the presence of bugs, but never to show their absence. The only effective way to raise the confidence level of a program significantly is to give a convincing proof of its correctness.”

– Edsger W. Dijkstra

Although there are countless computer systems running all around the world, the most serious issue in computer programming is the correctness of these systems. As both hardware and software systems have been rapidly growing in scale and functionality, it is harder and harder to identify or avoid errors in the development of computer systems. One significant aim of software engineering approaches is reducing errors and improving the reliability of systems. Techniques such as code modularization and code reuse, can help the developers to reduce the possibility of introducing errors in some sense. Familiar testing approaches can improve programs by detecting errors in the programs, however it is unlikely for testing approaches to cover all the examples in a large scale system to prove the correctness.

In [Dij65], Dijkstra suggests a definition of the correctness for programs, and an alternative approach for providing correctness to programs by establishing mathematical proofs. In [Flo67], Floyd provides formal definitions of the meanings of programming languages by defining them in flowcharts, and modes for verifying the flowcharts. Hoare [Hoa69] extends Floyd’s work and establishes the famous Hoare Logic, which is a set of logical rules in order to reason about the correctness of computer programs with the rigour of mathematical logic.

However, directly applying mathematical proof rules to existing programs is apparently difficult and time-consuming. In [Dij68], Dijkstra introduces a constructive approach for developing programs. Rather than proving an existing program, it aims to develop a program in a sequence of steps. At each of these steps, proof is produced for the program at that stage. In [Wir71], Niklaus Wirth introduces stepwise refinement as a methodical
approach to computer programming. In an iterative step-by-step development process, a initial abstract and correct program can be developed into a more concrete version, and refinement rules can prove the later version is a correct refinement of the initial program. If this is done, finally, programmers end up with a proved program which is also concrete enough for execution. The stepwise refinement provides a realisation of mathematically proof of programs suggested by Dijkstra.

Concurrency is an important property of computer systems, in which multiple processes are running simultaneously and interacting with each other. A number of mathematically based concurrency models, such as Petri nets [Pet81] and actor model [HBS73], have been established for modeling and reasoning about concurrent systems. Process algebras, such as CSP [Hoa78], CCS [Mil80] and π-calculus [Mil99], also provide high-level specification methods for modelling concurrent systems, as well as algebraic rules for analyzing and reasoning concurrency properties in their specifications.

However, although formal concurrency models have existed for more than forty years, many conventional programming languages, e.g. Java, do not benefit from them. Concurrency in multi-threaded Java programming has always been seen as a problematic area [Pug00], to the extent that expert practitioner advice has been to avoid it where possible [MW00]. Safety properties have been made more tractable by the provision of a common cross-platform Java Memory Model [MPA05]. However, as the concurrency model of Java programs is described in natural language, it is still difficult to detect and avoid liveness problems in concurrent programs. The difficulty of concurrency in programming languages motivated the development of applying existing formal concurrency model to programming. One of the difficulties is that the formal concurrency models we mentioned above are based on the message passing mechanism, while the concurrency models of most computer systems and programming languages are based on shared memory. How to connect the two concurrency mechanisms is the key issue here.

1.1 Formal Methods, State- and Event- based, and Their Integration

Formal methods, which provide mathematically based techniques for software and hardware development, can be used to design, develop and prove the correctness of computer programs in a systematic manner. A typical formal methods approach introduces a formal specification language. Using the formal language, developers can produce mathematically-based formal models for computer systems. A formal method should also include formal development techniques for models described in the formal specification language. The development techniques of a formal method approach should include proof theories or verification techniques for mathematically proving the correctness of
these formal models. A good formal method should also come with a development strategy from abstract models towards implementations. Automated tools support for the development technique is also essential for formal method approaches, as many previous criticisms on formal methods concerned the lack of tool support.

In the past thirty years, many formal techniques have been developed for specifying system models and verifying their correctness. Generally, there are two kinds of formal techniques for specifying system model, which focus on different aspects of systems.

The state-based approaches, such as VDM [Jon90], Z [PST96] and B [Abr96, Sch01], focus on the data aspect of systems, such as data definitions and data transitions. Such a model can be viewed as a labelled transition system (LTS) [Mil89]. A Labelled Transition System (LTS) is a structure \((S, A, \rightarrow)\) with a set of states \(S\), a set of actions \(A\), and the transition relation \(\rightarrow \subseteq S \times A \times S\). A state-based formal model is defined on the system states, where a state is an assignment of values to some set of state variables. It also needs to provide definitions of state actions, which changes the values of state variables with data substitutions and moves the system into a new state. At the same time, whether such an action is enabled or not depends on its guard, which is a conditional predicate on the state variables.

A state-based approach usually employs some form of stepwise refinement technique. Models at various abstract levels of a system are related by some formal refinement rules. Various tool sets have also been developed for these methods, e.g. IFAD VDM-SL toolbox [ELL94] for VDM, the Community Z tools (CZT) [MU05] for Z, and Atelier B [Ate01], PROB [LB03] for B.

Although state-based approaches are ideal for modelling the data aspect of systems, only a single-step atomic behaviour can be specified. It lacks expression for modelling behaviors of the whole system. For all the actions in a state-based model, the occurrence of actions is only restricted by precondition guards on these actions. The request for divergence freedom makes it hard to express a behaviour comprising a sequence of actions. Especially, in cases when the behaviour of a system turns complex, ’program counters’, which are special state variables, need to be introduced to the model. Additional preconditions on these variables need to be added to actions for preserving a specific execution order of a number of actions. However, although additional variables and precondition guards can restrict the execution of actions, this approach still lacks an explicit system level view on system behaviours. This is apparently less expressive, not very easy for modelling. Also, it is usually not very easy to express or reason about behaviour properties using state-based approaches.

Event-based approaches, such as CSP [Hoa85, Ros98, Sch00] and CCS [Mil80, Mil89], focus on the behaviors of systems. There is also tool support for these approaches, for example, the FDR tool [For03] supports model checking for CSP specifications. Event-based approaches represent coarse-grained concurrency of programs. They focus
on behaviours of processes and interaction between processes, instead of the state of programs or data transitions on the state. An event-based model views a system as sequences of stateless actions the system may engage in. A sequence of events is modelled as a process, which can be defined using process operators, e.g. parallel composition, external choice. Shared events can be used among different processes for interaction and communication. Additionally, one event-based approach normally provides well defined formal semantics on behaviour properties, for example, the trace and failure-divergence semantics of CSP.

With these facilities mentioned above, event-based approaches are very good at specifying a high-level abstract model of system behaviours. However, it is usually not convenient to model the data aspect of systems using these approaches. A process maintains its own state and state variables, although the supported data types are usually very limited. In many event-base approaches, the data definition of these variables are not explicitly declared. It is very common for a process to use communicated data without knowing its data types.

For the whole system model, there is no global state. Also, as the events in an event-based model are regarded as stateless, it is not easy to specify complex state changes for the process variables. For high-level design of system behaviours and strategies, it may be possible to ignore the detailed data of systems. But when going to detailed design, especially for some data-intense systems, the expressivity for modelling data definition and transition is important. Furthermore, system properties concerning data safety can be very significant for many systems, and should be addressed in system models explicitly.

Either state- or event-based specification is a mathematical abstraction based on one perspective of the system properties. Although more detail of systems can be added in through a stepwise developing process, using a partial abstraction of a system to construct a system model still leaves out some properties of the system, or being less expressive on these properties. Directly modelling and reasoning temporal properties in a state-based model is difficult, also, defining and analysing the state of a globally shared or complex data in an event-based model can be difficult as well. However, developing some large-scale systems usually demands the expressivity of modelling both data and event features of systems.

In recent years, many efforts have been made to integrate the two kinds of formal specifications. These efforts include the integrations of CCS and Z [Gal96], CSP and Z [MS01], CSP and OZ [Fis97a, Fis00], CSP and B [ST03, But99, BL05]. In [BL05], an approach to combine B and CSP specification is presented. The combined approach is also implemented in the PROB model checker for automatic verification. The

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1We will call this notation B+CSP for shorthand
CSP part of the combined specification describes the sequence of the system behaviors, while the B part specifies the data transitions inside these behaviors.

1.2 Formalizing Concurrent Java Programming

Formal approaches for modeling and developing concurrent computer systems, such as CSP [Hoa85], CCS [Mil80, Mil89], and occam [RH88, RGS94a, RGS94b], have been in existence for more than thirty years. Many research projects [WB04, CKK+00, BS05] and a number of real world systems [MST92, Law04, Pel04] have been developed from them. However, most programming languages in industry, which support concurrency, still lack formally defined concurrency models to make the development of such systems more reliable and tractable.

The concurrency model of Java is a multi-threading shared-memory model. Inside a concurrent Java program, multiple threads are running within a single process, and share the process’s resource. When different threads try to access a shared data, Java offers the monitor mechanism to make sure when one thread holding the monitor, no other threads can execute any region of code protected by the same monitor lock.

The Java language has a painful history as it lacks explicit and formal definitions of its concurrency model. Before Java 5.0, the JMM (Java Memory Model) didn’t explicitly define the read/write order that needs to be preserved in the memory model. This confused the developers of JVMs (Java Virtual Machines). The different JVMs developed under the old JMM could represent different behaviours, and lead to different results from running the same piece of Java code. To address this issue, Java 5.0 and the third version of the Java language specification had to redefine a new JMM.

Although the newly defined JMM clarified the safety of read/write orders at memory level, the Java concurrency model is still expressed in a natural language. It does not provide any method for evaluating general concurrency properties, such as safety, liveness and fairness. Developing a concurrent system under the Java concurrency model cannot guarantee the correctness of such programs. It still totally depends on developers’ skills and experience to avoid concurrency problems.

Therefore, many approaches have been attempted to formalize the development of concurrent Java systems. Formal analysis techniques have been applied to concurrent Java programs. JML [LPC+05] and Jassda [BM02] provide strategies to add assertions to Java programs, and employ runtime verification techniques to check the assertions (There are also static analysis and verification tools for JML). Magee and Kramer [MK99] introduce a process algebra language, FSP (Finite State Processes), and provide a formal concurrency model for developing concurrent Java programs. JCSP [WBM+07] is a Java library offering the occam concurrency model, which is a low-level implementation.
language of CSP. JCSP implements the main occam structures, such as process and channel, as well as key occam concurrency features, such as parallel, external choice and sequential composition, in various Java interfaces and classes. It bridges the gap between specification and implementation. With all the Java facility components in the JCSP package, developers can easily construct a concurrent Java program from its occam specification. All these approaches try to bring a formally defined concurrency model to concurrent Java programming. Such kind of models should provide a formal modelling language for constructing concurrency model, as well as development and verification techniques for building and reasoning Java programs.

1.3 Rationale for the PhD

A major criticism of formal methods is that many formal approaches lack industrial applications. The development of many formal approaches still largely rely on manual proof, and most lack substantial proof tool support, making system development with formal methods very hard for most developers.

The B method employs a stepwise refinement development technique. Both the B prover, B-Toolkit [BCo01], and the model checking tool, ProB [LB03], support this refinement development process for B method. The final refinement model would be a very concrete model, which is specified using a concrete B0 subset [Cle01] of the language. As the semantics of the B0 language is very similar to that of many conventional programming languages, it would not be very difficult to implement a final refinement of B method in a programming language. However composition and decomposition of B machines are still open research area, and it is not very easy to model or implement interactions and communications between distributed systems using B method. Most research on applying the B method in real world examples are either focusing well-defined small subsystems, or only developing models at abstract level. Therefore, the applications to which B development can be applied are still restricted. How to use the B method for developing a large, distributed system from design to implementation is still an ongoing research.

On the other hand, JCSP provides a Java implementation for the CSP specification. Although a manually constructed JCSP program can have a formal CSP model as its guidance, it cannot be systematically proved that the program correctly implements the formal model. Manual efforts involved here can be problematic. Also, the data manually introduced into the program usually cannot be easily specified in the CSP model. In some cases, such data can affect the behaviours of systems. An automated translation would represent a very useful contribution for JCSP. However, some reported experience [RRS03] has shown that, for automated translation, due to the lack of data expressivity
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in CSP, it is sometimes not easy to directly use the Java programs translated from CSP. Usually, more data information still needs to be manually added.

Therefore, it would be an interesting contribution to implement integrated specifications. And with the help of existing techniques, e.g. B0 and JCSP, it could be very possible to develop an implementation strategy, as well as automated tool support, for the B+CSP model [BL05]. The implementation strategy, including the Java implementation of B+CSP semantics and the translation tool, should be carefully developed as their correctness is vital for this work. Tests would be applied to practically validate correctness of this work. Further work will target the formal verifications of the correctness of the Java implementation package and the translation.

Currently, the refinement rules for the integrated B and CSP specification are still not available. Although PROB can practically check the trace refinement between integrated models, a formal refinement proof method is not available. This means there is no development technique for building refinement models from the abstract one. Therefore, although this work mainly focuses on implementing concrete models, it would also support abstract semantics of the integrated specification languages. For an abstract model, the generated programs from the translation tool can either be used as a quick implementation, or be regarded as an animation mechanism for the model. For a concrete model, this implementation strategy would provide a prototype of the system.

Through this work, we try to develop an implementation strategy, as well as tool support, for integrated B and CSP specifications. Also, finding out an appropriate combination of B and CSP for developing large distributed systems is another important target.

1.4 Contributions

The first contribution of this work is a definition of the restricted semantics, based upon the existing semantics in PROB. The combined B+CSP specification language includes almost all the notations from both B and CSP specification languages. It is a large specification language with corresponding abstract semantics, which provide a very flexible way for specifying systems. However, some of the abstract semantics are very difficult to directly implement. Therefore, we develop a restricted semantics, which is concrete enough to be implemented into Java programs, and abstract enough to support modelling most general systems.

The second contribution of this work is implementing the restricted semantics in Java. Although JCSP has implemented occam-π, the semantics and concurrency model of B+CSP are different from those of occam-π. This means that we need to implement B+CSP semantics in a new Java package, JCSProB. In the development, we regard the structure of the JCSP package as a significant inspiration, and implement the B+CSP
concurrency model with similar process-channel structure to JCSP. A big difference between JCSProB and JCSP is that the new package supports combined B+CSP events, which include data changes, whereas JCSP communication channels are stateless \(^2\). The JCSProB package consists of new integrated event classes, new process classes, and a GUI sub-package. The GUI package allows users to interact with the generated Java programs, and it also provides interfaces for runtime assertion checking.

The development of translation rules and a translation tool is the third contribution of this work. Based on the implementation package, we formally define a set of translation rules to convert an useful and deterministic subset of the B+CSP specification to Java code. To make the translation more effective and stable, an automated translation tool is constructed as a functional component of the PROB tool. As the integrated specification includes both state- and event based views of the system, the generated Java code from the translation normally does not require manual modification (as other translation tools do, e.g. [RRS03]), and can be executed directly.

The above three contributions provide a development strategy with tooling support for the combined B+CSP models. Finally, the fourth contribution is to apply the strategy to some example models to evaluate the development of this work, and practically test and validate the Java implementation package and the translation. We also use the examples for evaluating and improving scalability of this work. This experimentation work includes modelling the example with the B+CSP specification, model checking the model in PROB, automatically translating the model to a Java application, testing and experimentally evaluating the generated Java programs. During the evaluation, we found the restricted B+CSP semantics used in this work is very close to the semantics of CSP∥B approach [ST03]. The composition strategy used in CSP∥B [STE05] can be used to compose B+CSP models. It is also possible for users of CSP∥B to make use of the JCSProB package and the translation tool.

1.5 Outline

This thesis starts with an introduction in Chapter 2 to state- and event- based formal methods, and the existing approaches for integrating them. The B method and CSP approach are introduced in Section 2.1 and Section 2.2. In Section 2.3, several integrated formal approaches are discussed and compared.

\(^2\)JCSP provides Call channels. These are events from the caller’s point of view whose acceptance is an "extended rendezvous" in which any state change, in the acceptor process, can be programmed. This is still different from the combined B+CSP event, in which any state change happens on the B machine.
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In Chapter 3, we discuss the problems of developing concurrent programs, especially in Java. In Section 3.2, various approaches to formalizing the development of Java concurrency are discussed. In Section 3.3, the JCSP package, which is important inspiration of this work, is introduced.

In Chapter 4, we present the restricted B+CSP semantics used in this work, which is the first objective of the development. In the discussion, we will first introduce the B+CSP specification language in Section 4.1, and operational semantics of PROB in Section 4.2. Then in Section 4.3, 4.4, and 4.5, the restricted semantics and its concurrency model are discussed.

In Chapter 5, the Java implementation of the restricted semantics is presented. As the new JCSProB package is inspired by and developed from JCSP, in Section 5.1, the reason for developing the new package instead of using the existing JCSP package is discussed. The JCSProB package includes implementation of guarded multi-way synchronization (in Section 5.4), and new implementation of multi-threading mechanism and recursions (in Section 5.5). To interact and control the Java programs constructed using JCSProB, we also provide a GUI package for building an user interface for users. This feature is presented in Section 5.7.

Chapter 6 describes the automatic translation from combined B+CSP specification to Java programs. In Section 6.1 some translation rules are presented and discussed. More translation rules can be found in Appendix A. In Section 6.2 the translation tool is presented.

In Chapter 7, the experimentation in this work is presented. Several example systems are modeled and implemented using this developing process, and the generated Java programs are tested and evaluated.

Finally in Chapter 8, we give the conclusion of this work, and propose some possible future directions based on this work.
Chapter 2

Integrated Formal Methods

Starting with the pioneering works from Dijkstra, Floyd, Hoare, and other computer scientists in 1960s, Formal Methods have been in existence for more than forty years, and many formal specification languages and development methodologies have been developed. However, formal approaches still have not been widely accepted or applied. A real system normally consists of many aspects of features, such as data, state, behaviour, and communication. One criticism on formal methods is that many formal approaches only focus on one aspect of views on systems, which limits their expressivity for large, complex systems. A restricted view of systems makes some formal methods lacking the expressivity to add enough details for constructing systems. Therefore, some formal method approaches may have sound and well-defined logic and specification languages, but using them to construct and implement complex systems can be very hard.

In this chapter, we introduce the state- and event based formal approaches, on which this work is based: the B method [Abr96] (Section 2.1), and CSP [Hoa85, Sch00, Ros98] (Section 2.2). In Section 2.3, we review several existing integrated formal methods approaches, which provide solutions for resolving the problem of restricted views on systems by combining different perspectives. Several integration approaches are discussed and compared. Finally, in Section 2.3.2, we focus on the combined B and CSP specification in PROB [BL05], which is selected for this work.

2.1 The B Method

The B method, developed by Jean-Raymond Abrial [Abr96], is a state-based formal approach for constructing computer systems. Jean-Raymond Abrial, who is also the inventor of the Z method [PST96], developed the B method based on successful projects [HK91] with the Z method.
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It aims to cover the project life cycle from design to code generation. The B method is based on a version of first-order logic and set theory specifically tailored for it. The specification language of B method is defined in a form of Abstract Machine Notation (AMN), which is based ultimately on Dijkstra’s guarded command language [Dij97], and is very much influenced by Back’s action systems [BKS83a]. The data and invariant of a machine is specified using predicate logic and set theory. In specification, the AMN and Generalised Substitutions are connected by the standard language of first-order logic and a restricted kind of set theory. Logically, a B machine can be understood as being a composition on four layers:

- **Level 0**, first order logic with equality
- **Level 1**, a typed set theory
- **Level 2**, the Generalised Substitutions Language
- **Level 3**, the AMN

### 2.1.1 AMN and wp

In the B method, an abstract machine is a specification of a system. The system specified by a B machine can be a part of a bigger software system. An abstract machine defines the state of a system based on a number of state variables, and invariants on these variables, which may type the variables and further constrain the values.

Operations modify the state under the constraints of the invariant. They can take zero or more parameters and return values. These are identifiers distinct from the state variables of the machine. Operations of a machine are specified as AMN substitutions. The semantics of AMN substitutions is given by Generalised Substitutions, modelled after Dijkstra’s weakest precondition calculus [Dij97] and its later generalizations by Nelson [Nel89]. The weakest precondition is defined in the wp-calculus as \([S]P\). \(S\) is a statement of AMN, which may manipulate system states of the machine. The postcondition \(P\) of \(S\) is a predicate, which defines the set of states required to be true after executing \(S\). Then, the notation \([S]P\) represents a precondition, which defines a maximal set of initial states from which after executing \(S\), the postcondition \(P\) is guaranteed to be true. As \([S]P\) includes all the possible states that can achieve \(P\) after executing \(S\), it is the weakest precondition. An operation of a machine can be regarded as a guarded and atomic command of Dijkstra’s guarded command language. The execution of a statement \(S\) is constrained by its precondition \([S]P\), and calling outside \([S]P\) is allowed but undefined.

Figure 2.1 demonstrates a very simple lift machine. An abstract B machine is defined under the header name MACHINE, which defines the identifier for the machine. Under the keyword VARIABLES, the machine variables are declared. The IN Variant
clause provides all the information about the state variables, including their types and
the values they could reach in this system. The initial state of the system is defined
in the INITIALISATION clause. The operations of a machine are defined in the
OPERATIONS clauses. All the B operations of a B machine do not happen in parallel,
which means at a time, only one B operation can progress. The data substitutions inside
an operation may change the state of the machine. The right-side references of B state
variables refer to their pre-operation state, while the left-side references refer to the
new state. In this case, the operation \( \text{inc} \) has a precondition \( \text{level} < 10 \) on its data
assignment substitutions. When the precondition is not satisfied here, processing the
data transitions would not reach any meaningful state in this machine.

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{MACHINE } & \text{lift} \\
\text{VARIABLES} & \text{level} \\
\text{INVARIANT} & \text{level : NAT } \& \text{level } \geq 0 \& \text{level } \leq 10 \\
\text{INITIALISATION} & \text{level := 1} \\
\text{OPERATIONS} & \text{inc = PRE level < 10 THEN level := level + 1 END;} \\
& \text{dec = PRE level > 0 THEN level := level - 1 END}
\end{align*}
\]

Figure 2.1: An example of B machines: lift

As well as clauses defined above, abstract machines can also define given set types under
the SETS clause. They are nonempty finite sets including a number of unique elements,
and their elements can be enumerated. Constants can also be declared under the CON-
STANTS clause. The types of the constants must be given in the PROPERTIES
clause. Books from Abrial [Abr96] and Schneider [Sch01] are excellent text book on the
B method for further reading.

2.1.2 The Development of the B Method

As a formal development methodology, the B method also provides an incremental de-
velopment process, which is based on the refinement calculus [Bac80, HHS86, Mor88].
The refinement calculus provides a stepwise refinement method of program construction.
A system specified in AMN is at a single level of abstraction of the system, which can be
developed by adding details. The idea of stepwise refinement method starts with a very
abstract model of a system. Details are gradually added to this first model by building
a sequence of more concrete ones. The final production of this refinement procedure is
a concrete implementation model.

Two successive models must preserve the relationship defined by the refinement calculus
\( \sqsubseteq \). A substitution \( S_1 \) is refined by a substitution \( S_2 \) (\( S_1 \sqsubseteq S_2 \)), if any specification
satisfied by \( S_1 \) is also satisfied by \( S_2 \). If \( P \) is the postcondition of \( S_1 \) and \( [S_1]P \) holds,
the predicate \( [S_2]P \) for the refinement substitution \( S_2 \) should also hold. The refinement
\( S_2 \) is either more deterministic than \( S_1 \), or has a weaker precondition than \( S_1 \).
The consistency of an abstract machine can be verified by proving proof obligations about it. The proving of proof obligations is traditionally called discharging them. A B machine, refinement, and composed machines (INCLUDE and SEE etc.) all have their own proof obligations. For operations, giving the invariants of two models as $I$ and $J$, the proof obligation requires that the execution of $S_2$ must be matched by some execution of $S_1$, which means $[S_2] \neg [S_1] \neg J$ must be true at these states. The proof obligation is normally written as:

$$I \land J \land P \Rightarrow [S_2] \neg [S_1] \neg J$$

$\neg [S_1] \neg J$ means that not all transitions of $S_1$ make $J$ false, which implies that there are some transitions of $S_1$ guarantee $J$ to be true. So the left part of the formula means for any $S_2$, there are some transitions of $S_1$ to guarantee $J$.

To prove the refinement obligation for operations, gluing invariant $J(x,y)$ sometimes need to be introduced to link the state variable $x$ of the abstract machine, and the state variable $y$ of the concrete machine.

The interactive proving tools for the B method, such as Atelier B [Ate01] and B-Toolkit [BCo01], can be used to help developers to developing systems with the B method.

### 2.1.3 The B0 Language

Abrial’s book [Abr96] only gives an abstract syntax for his notation, and only gives faint hints on the concrete syntax. The concrete syntax used by the B-Toolkit or Atelier B is not described at all by Abrial. A definition of the B0 language can be find in [Cle01]. B0 is a concrete subset of the B specification language, describing operations and data of implementations. It only presents concrete data using concrete constants, concrete variables, operation input and output parameters, machine parameters, local variables, and enumerated sets. Conditions and terms are only defined on concrete data. Only concrete substitutions without non-determinism, which are called instructions, are allowed in B0. Instructions are used both in the initialization and the operations.

### 2.1.4 Model Checking and PROB

Formally proving a B model can be difficult and time-consuming. Model checking [EMCP99] provides an alternative technique to verify developed formal models. It tests whether a given formula in the propositional logic is satisfied by a given model by exploring the state space of the model. Model checking tools all face a scaling problem, commonly known as the state explosion problem [CGJ+01].
PROB [LB03] is an animation and model checking tool for the B method. The tool covers a large part of the B syntax and semantics. As an animation tool, PROB allows users to manually drive B models. As a finite state model checker, PROB supports automated consistency checking of B machines, and refinement checking between B machines:

- In consistency checking, PROB can check safety properties, such as violations of invariant and deadlock of the system. It can identify counter examples of required properties and provide traces leading to them. This information can help the developer to improve system specifications.

- In refinement checking, PROB automatically explores and compares the state spaces of two B models, and can find the exceptions of refinement.

The symmetry reduction technique [TB06] used in PROB can reduce the size state space and improve its model checking performance.

Furthermore, PROB also supports model checking for CSP specifications [Hoa85] or event combined B+CSP specifications [BL05]. We discuss this later in this chapter.

2.2 Communicating Sequential Processes

CSP (Communicating Sequential Processes) is a process algebra proposed by Hoare in [Hoa85]. It is a well-known event-based formal language for modelling concurrent systems. A concurrent system is viewed as a set of independent processes. Processes communicate with the environment and processes via atomic and stateless events.

2.2.1 A Simple Introduction to CSP Grammar

The set of all events that a process can engage in is called its Alphabet, usually named as $\alpha P$. The behaviour of the process is defined in sequences of the events as combination with basic processes and process operators.

Basic processes in CSP includes STOP and SKIP. STOP means the process is in a state where no events can be engaged, and the process would stay at this state for ever. SKIP denotes a successful termination of a process. The process operator $\rightarrow$ used above describes the sequencing of events. An expression $a \rightarrow P$ means the process first engages in the event $a$, and then performs as process $P$.

The parallel composition of process is specified using process operator $\parallel$. A parallel composition of two processes $P_1$ and $P_2$ is written as $P_1 \parallel P_2$. The two processes can synchronize on events in the intersection of the alphabets of them. However, in many cases, a process in a parallel composition may not want to communicate with other
processes on all the events in its alphabet. The alphabetized parallel operator defines the parallel composition of processes with explicit declaration of the events that may be involved in the composition. The event sets of two processes $P_1$ and $P_2$ involved in the parallel composition are $A_1$ and $A_2$, where $A_1 \subseteq \alpha P_1$ and $A_2 \subseteq \alpha P_2$. The alphabetized parallel is written $P_1 A_1 \parallel A_2 P_2$. In this definition, $P_1$ can only engage events in $A_1$, and $P_2$ can only engage events in $A_2$, and the two processes need to synchronize on events in $A_1 \cap A_2$. A generalized version of parallel is defined as $P_1 \parallel X P_2$, where $X \subseteq A_1 \cap A_2$. When $X = \emptyset$, which means the two parallel processes have no event to synchronize, the two processes are said to *interleave* with each other. The parallel composition here is written using interleaving operator $|||$ as $P_1 ||| P_2$. Semantically, the termination event $\sqrt{}$ always needs to synchronize in parallel processes, even in the interleaving processes, although it does not explicitly appear in the definition. This means the parallel composition terminates only when all participating processes successfully terminate.

Sequential composition of processes runs the participating processes one after the other. Only after a process has successfully terminated, can the successor process start performing. Using the sequential composition operator $;$, a sequential composition of two processes $P_1$ and $P_2$ is written $P_1 ; P_2$.

The choice operator introduces a number of possible action paths for a process. In external choice, the control over the choice is external to the process, while internal choice is resolved inside the process. An external choice in process $P$ between two process paths $P_1$ and $P_2$ is written $P_1 \Box P_2$. If, and only if the first event of a process path is ready to progress, the process path can be considered as a candidate for selection. This kind of external choice is also called guarded external choice. Internal choice is also known as non-deterministic choice. The decision of an internal choice $P_1 \sqcap P_2$ is made internally in process $P$, which leaves the outside environment with no control over the choice.

Other CSP operators, including renaming, hiding and interrupting, can be found in [Hoa85] or [Ros98].

### 2.2.2 Denotational Semantics of CSP

In the original CSP [Hoa78], the semantics of CSP were not clearly described. The traces [Hoa80], failures [BHR84] and divergences [BR85] semantics were later given for reasoning about properties of concurrent systems. In Roscoe’s book [Ros98], the denotational semantics of CSP are summarized and discussed.

The traces model $T$ captures the behaviours of a process in a set of non-empty prefix-closed event traces. The all set of finite traces of a process $P$ is written $\text{traces}(P)$. For example, when $P = a \rightarrow b \rightarrow \text{STOP}$, $\text{traces}(P) = \{<>, <a>, <a, b>\}$. A set of
algebraic rules are defined for computing trace sets over all the process operators under traces model. For example, the rule for prefixing is defined as:

\[ \text{traces}(a \to P) = \{<>\} \cup \{<a> \triangleright tr \mid tr \in \text{traces}(P)\} \]

However, although the traces model can capture a range of system behaviours of concurrent system, it still not expressive enough to cover all the semantics of CSP. For example, the traces model does not distinguish between internal and external choice:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{traces}(P_1 \square P_2) &= \text{traces}(P_2) \cup \text{traces}(P_2) \\
\text{traces}(P_1 \cap P_2) &= \text{traces}(P_2) \cup \text{traces}(P_2)
\end{align*}
\]

That means the non-determinism in internal choice cannot be expressed in traces model. Furthermore, some safety liveness properties, e.g. deadlock, cannot be expressed with trace semantics. Therefore, failures and divergences models introduced in [BHR84] and [BR85] to express these properties.

The failures model \( D \) is defined to express the deadlock state of a process. A process \( P \) which can make no internal progress is said to be stable, written \( P \downarrow \). If after executing a sequence of events defined in trace \( tr \) a stable process \( P \) refuses to engage a set of events \( X \), the observation of \( (tr, X) \) is called a stable failure of \( P \).

The set \( \text{failures}(P) \) includes all the failures of the process \( P \). When it is possible for a process \( P \) to perform an infinite sequence of internal events and never reach a stable state, it is said to be divergent, written \( P \uparrow \). The divergences model \( D \) of a process \( P \) is defined as \( \text{divergences}(P) \), which includes all the traces that can lead the process \( P \) into divergence.

The full semantic model of a process is thus defined as a triple \((T, F, D)\). The refinement of CSP specifications is also defined upon this semantics:

- A process \( P_2 \) trace refines a process \( P_1 \) if all the traces of \( P_2 \) are also traces of \( P_1 \)
  \[
  P_1 \subseteq_T P_2 \equiv \text{traces}(P_2) \subseteq \text{traces}(P_1)
  \]

- A process \( P_2 \) failure refines a process \( P_1 \) if \( P_2 \) traces refines \( P_1 \), and all the failures of \( P_2 \) are also failures of \( P_1 \)
  \[
  P_1 \subseteq_F P_2 \equiv \text{traces}(P_2) \subseteq \text{traces}(P_1) \land \text{failures}(P_2) \subseteq \text{failures}(P_1)
  \]

- A process \( P_2 \) failure/divergences refines a process \( P_1 \) if \( P_2 \) failures refines \( P_1 \), and all the divergences of \( P_2 \) are also divergences of \( P_1 \).
  \[
  P_1 \subseteq_{FD} P_2 \equiv \text{traces}(P_2) \subseteq \text{traces}(P_1) \land \text{failures}(P_2) \subseteq \text{failures}(P_1) \land \text{divergences}(P_2) \subseteq \text{divergences}(P_1)
  \]
2.3 Integrated Formal Methods

2.3.1 Some IFM Approaches

The integrated formal methods discussed here are formal specifications which try to integrate state-based methods with event-based methods. Some other approaches, such as UMLB [SB06], Real-Time Object-Z [SH00], B/VDM [BMRA98], will not be discussed here. Also, several previous works on combining event- and state-based methods have been widely mentioned, for example ZCCS [Gal96] and TCOZ [MD99], but in this chapter, we only discuss a selection of more recent work.

2.3.1.1 CSP-Z

In [Fis97b, Fis98], an integrated formal specification language CSP-Z is introduced. It combines the syntax and semantics of CSP and Z [PST96]. The syntax of the CSP part is fully preserved, while the Z syntax subset used in CSP-Z is different from the original Z syntax. It defines the CSP-Z language with semantics subsets of CSP and Z languages. A CSP-Z specification starts with the declaration of channels (external and internal).

A CSP-Z channel can be associated with a Z schema type. The system behaviours are defined in a group of CSP processes. The Z operations, which correspond to the channels described above, are defined with the data transitions in the operations. As explained above, a CSP-Z specification is a parallel combination of the CSP and the Z parts via the channel names, such that on the occurrence of a CSP channel the corresponding Z schema operation is activated. Since the CSP-Z specification language is a semantic integration of CSP and Z, the failure-divergence semantics of CSP is also inherited into CSP-Z.

In [MS98, MS01], a strategy for model checking a CSP-Z specification in the FDR model checker is proposed. As FDR only works on the machine readable CSP specifications, [MS98] gives a solution which converts the Z part of the CSP–Z specification into the CSP part of the specification. A CSP-Z specification is divided into the CSP part, and a CSP process which performs the Z part operations. As the result, a CSP-Z specification is translated into a machine readable CSP specification, which can be automatically checked in FDR.

The limitation of [MS98, MS01] is that the final model used for model checking is purely in CSP. Since the CSP specification lacks a convenient method to express complex data and data transitions, the Z part of the CSP-Z specification is restricted to very simple data types and data transitions. The final model of the strategy, which is purely in CSP, can also be specified directly with CSP. In [MS02b], the continuing research
employs data independence and abstract interpretation techniques to modify the CSP-Z model, and makes it possible to use more general CSP-Z model for model checking.

### 2.3.1.2 CSP/OZ

CSP-OZ [Fis97a] continues the work of CSP-Z. It aims at integrating CSP, and Object-Z, which is an object-oriented extension of Z [DRS95]. In a CSP-OZ specification, the CSP failure-divergence semantics is used to guide Object-Z classes.

In a CSP-OZ specification, firstly, the CSP style channels are defined in a CSP-OZ specification. The CSP part of the specification defines a process with the keyword main to present the behavior of the CSP-OZ class. It makes use of the channels defined above, and can include some CSP operators, such as parallel, hiding, interleaving and choice. The Object-Z part starts with the definition of types and constants. Then the definition of the state and initial state schemas are given. The data transition is defined in Object-Z operations. Like CSP-Z, each Object-Z schema operation corresponds to a channel defined in the CSP part.

In order to perform model checking on the CSP-OZ specification, as there was no existing CSP-OZ model checker, [FW99] presents a strategy to translate the CSP-OZ specification into machine readable CSP and check it with FDR. The Object-Z part and the CSP part of the specification are translated into different CSP processes. While the CSP part of CSP-OZ is directly converted to the CSP processes, the Object-Z part, especially the operations, need to be expressed in the CSP syntax. One of the most serious issues of this strategy is that the data domain of the Object-Z part can be too large to check in FDR. In [Weh99], data abstraction techniques are used to reduce the complexity of property checking on CSP-OZ specification.

To associate the abstract CSP-OZ specification with programming languages, in [Fis99, BFMW01], Jass (Java with Assertions) is introduced as an intermediate language. Jass is an assertion language which is written in a Java source code file as comments. It is motivated by Design by Contract [Mey92], which is a lightweight formal technique that allows for dynamic run-time checks of specification violation. The assertions can be tested when the program is executed.

### 2.3.1.3 CSP || B

CSP || B [TS99b, TS00, ST02, ST03] is integration of the B method and CSP. A CSP || B specification includes B machines, and the CSP controllers(or processes) for them, which are expressed with a subset of the CSP syntax. Each B machine $M_i$ of the system corresponds to a CSP controller $P_i$. The B machines do not communicate with each other directly. They may only allow communicate through their respective
CSP controllers, and then their controllers can communicate with each other. For each B operation \( w \leftarrow e(v) \), there is a corresponding CSP control channel \( e.v.w \) defined in its controller. The execution of a B operation is strictly guarded by its CSP controller.

Figure 2.2 shows a B\( \parallel \)CSP example provided in [ST05].

![MACHINE Odd](image)

![MACHINE Even](image)

Figure 2.2: The specification of the Odd-Even example

The CSP processes \( OddCtrl \) and \( EvenCtrl \) define a system which recursively increases numbers through the system. The B machines, on the other hand, define the states of the system with variables \( odd \) and \( even \). The machine \( Odd \) accepts and maintains only odd numbers, while machine \( Even \) accepts and maintains only even numbers. The CSP processes work as controllers of the B machines. The execution of B operations are driven by their CSP controllers.

In [ST03], an approach is proposed which verifies each structure (a B machine \( M_i \) and CSP controller \( P_i \) pair) separately, and then obtains the correctness of the whole system by composition. In [ST02], a strategy for model checking CSP controllers via the FDR tool is discussed. Firstly, a B machine and its controller are checked together in the B-Toolkit to prove they are divergence-free. Then all the CSP controllers are checked in the FDR tool to prove they are deadlock-free.

One of the problems of the CSP \( \parallel \)B approach is that there are no refinement rules or proof for the integrated approach. The case study in [TSB03] tried to establish a development strategy for CSP \( \parallel \)B models. However, the verification step for refinement consistency between an abstract model and its refinement only focus on using FDR to model check refinement between two CSP controllers. It still cannot formally prove or model check refinement between whole integrated models. Another problem is the verification step involves different tools and several separate verification steps, which can be hard for users to apply the development.
2.3.1.4 csp2B

In [But99], csp2B, an alternative approach to integrate B and CSP specifications, is presented. It defines a set of csp2B notations. A csp2B specification is encapsulated into a B machine like structure, but the main component of the machine is a kind of CSP description. In the machine, a group of CSP channels each of which correspond to target B operations are defined under the keyword ALPHABET. Under the keyword PROCESS, CSP processes are defined to specify behaviours of the system.

The csp2B translation tool converts a csp2B model into a B machine. In the target B machine, state variables are introduced as program counters to explicitly express state of CSP processes from the csp2B machine. A B operation in the B machine includes guards, which are defined upon these program counters, and substitutions, which update program counters. In this way, system behaviours specified in the csp2B model are retained in the generated B machine. Furthermore, using the CONJOINS statement, a csp2B model can be used to constrains the behaviour of a existing B machine. The csp2B tool can also add behaviour constraints from the csp2B model to the B machine.

As the target of this translation is a solely B machine, it has existing refinement rules and development strategy for development. The generated B machine can be analysed and verified within the B model checkers, e.g. PROB, or interactive B provers.

One restriction for the csp2B approach is that it is restricted on a single CSP and B pair. There is still no compositional development or verification techniques for it.

2.3.1.5 Circus

Circus [WC01] is an integrated formal specification language, which is based on Z and CSP. It supports stepwise refinement [CSW03]. That means its final refinement of the system model is close to a general programming language.

A Circus program consists of many Circus Paragraphs, each of which can be a Z paragraph, a CSP-like channel(or channel set) definition paragraph, or a process definition. A Z paragraph uses purely Z notations, while a channel or channel set definition is written in CSP style. The two specification languages are associated with each other in the definition of Circus processes. A Circus process is defined with a process name and a process specification. In a process specification, Z paragraph and CSP like action paragraph can be used cooperatively. The Z schema defines the states of the process, which include the data and data operations. The CSP part in the Circus process defines how the process act the Z schema inside. So far as we know, Circus is probably the only combined state- and event-based formal method, which provides refinement rules [WC02] for the combined specification.
In [OC04], a set of translation rules, which translate Circus models into JCSP [WM00b] programs, is presented. Based on this rule set, an automated translator [FC06] is developed.

### 2.3.2 B+CSP in PROB

[BL05] presents a new integration approach to combine B and CSP, B+CSP. A B+CSP model explicitly provides the state-based view of a system in the B specification, and the event-base view in the CSP processes.

The B part of the combined model is used to specify the data used in the system, and the manipulations on the data. It uses the full set of B method notations. The CSP part provides the execution flow of the B operations. Each B operation of a B machine has a corresponding CSP channel defined in the CSP part. The parameters of the B operations are also mapped to the input and output parameters of the CSP channel. The MAIN CSP process uses the channel definitions, and defines the behaviors of the system. The execution of the B operations is not only guarded by the precondition of the operation, but also strictly guarded by the MAIN process.

The CSP part can also define the desirable and undesirable behaviors of the system. The desirable behaviour is defined in the GOAL process, while the undesirable behavior is defined in the ERROR process. Both of them are checked as trace properties of the combined system model. When the operation sequence of the GOAL process is found in the system model, the property is satisfied and the trace is returned. The property of the ERROR process is satisfied when there is no trace of it.

The combination of the B+CSP model is supported by the PROB tool. The B part of the model is parsed and interpreted into Prolog rules via jbTool [Bru01] and the Pillow package [CH01]. The CSP processes of the model are translated into Prolog rules via the CIA (CSP Interpreter and Animator) tool. When doing model checking and animation on the combined model, PROB interpreter combines the two sets of Prolog rules together based on the operational semantics of B+CSP, which is discussed in Section 4.2. An important feature for PROB is that it can perform not only consistency checking for a B+CSP model, but also trace refinement checking between combined B+CSP models.

Table 2.1 compares B+CSP with three other integrated formal methods mentioned above regarding their development techniques.

The B+CSP can be regarded as a practical extension of the csp2B approach. The integration of B and CSP models in PROB is very similar to the conjunction of csp2B and B models in csp2B. Both approaches use CSP specification to constrain the behaviour of the B machine. In csp2B, the combination of B and CSP csp2B approach explicitly translates the CSP specification into B state expressions, while in PROB, the combination
Table 2.1: The comparison of four IFMs

| Spec languages | CSP+B | csp2B | CSP || B | Circus |
|----------------|-------|-------|------|------|--------|
| Refinement rule| no    | yes, B | no   | yes, Circus |
| Model checking | PROB  | PROB  | PROB, FDR | no   |
| Animation      | PROB  | no    | no   | no   |
| Composition    | no    | no    | yes  | yes  |
| Implementation | JCSProB | no   | no   | JCSP |

is presented in model checking. The final B machine generated by the csp2B tool can either be formally proved using theorem provers, but also can be model checked by PROB. On the contrary, currently there are no refinement rules for B+CSP, it can only be verified via model checking. Additionally, both of the approaches are restricted on one B and CSP specification pair. Composition rules or proofs are still missing. An advantage for csp2B is the final B machine generated by csp2B tool is solely a B machine, which means the stepwise development and proving techniques of B method can be applied to it.

Comparing to CSP || B, B+CSP is a more practical approach. CSP || B provides a more theoretical basis and systematical strategies for development and composition, while B+CSP has a better tool support from the PROB tool for animation and model checking. However, the semantics of the two approaches can be very close, and many research [STE05] think it is even possible to connect the two approaches together.

Circus is also a more theoretical approach than B+CSP. A significant advantage for Circus is that it has a set refinement rules [WC02] for the combined specification, while other approaches mentioned above do not have this support. By applying these rules, a new refined model can be constructed from the abstract one. Although a model checking tool is reported under construction, currently it is still unavailable.
Chapter 3

Formalized Java Concurrency Development

"Java built-in support for threads is a double-edged sword."

– Java Concurrency in Practice [PGB+05]

The Java programming language supports a multi-threading concurrency mechanism in the core of the language. It also provides a series of classes to support Java concurrent programming. This feature helps Java developers to solve many problems, and many packages in JDK are developed using concurrency, e.g. AWT and Swing. However, at the same time, it is even more difficult to make concurrent programs correct than sequential programs. Concurrency issues, such as safety and deadlock, have existed since the idea of the concept of concurrency come into being. Concurrency in Java is also problematic.

Section 3.1 starts with an introduction to concurrent Java programming, and issues in Java concurrency. After that, we discuss several approaches on formalizing concurrent Java development in Section 3.2. Finally, in Section 3.3 we discuss the JCSP package, which is one of the main inspirations of our work.

3.1 Concurrent Java programming

Generally, there are two kinds of issues in concurrent Java programming.

Safety in Java programs consists of type safety and memory safety. Here we concern the safety which provides a consistent view of data. When multiple Java threads try to access the same data item, the developer has to make sure that these threads coordinate their access to the data so that all have a consistent view of the data without interfering
the others’ changes. However, the previous version of the Java Memory Model (JMM),
specified in Chapter 17 of [GJSB00], raised some concerns on the safety guarantee at
memory level.

A memory model describes the relationship between data in a program and the low-level
details of storing them to and retrieving them from memory in a real computer system.
Consider a Java program fragment with two memory actions $a$ and $b$, which change the
state of data variables in the main memory.

$$
... a; b; ...
$$

Generally, action $a$ should be processed before $b$ in the program. However, the hardware
system may permute the execution order for efficiency reasons. The actual execution
order at hardware level or memory level can be $b ; a$. In certain circumstances, changing
the processing order of the two operations will not effect the result of Java program.
In those circumstances, the JVM may allow some of these reordering techniques in
order to execute Java programs more efficiently. The JMM must explicitly specify in
which occasions the execution order must be preserved as $a ; b$ for all viewers of the
memory, and in which occasions optimization techniques can be employed. Moreover,
the JMM definition must be clear enough to be implemented on all platform without
misunderstanding. If not, the different execution orders on different JVMs may lead to
different results.

The previous version of JMM failed to deliver this clearly. In [Pug00], the problems
caused by the implicit definition of JMM is discussed. In the new version of Java
specification of JDK 1.5 [GJSB05], the Java Memory Model is revised. It redefines the
semantics of synchronization, volatile variables, and final fields. Therefore, the memory
level safety issues caused by JMM has been clarified.

The safety we are concerned with in this work is the concurrency safety in programs,
not in the memory model. Inappropriate uses of Java concurrency primitives can cause
safety problems, such as data races and deadlock, which can lead to unexpected results.

The other major issue in Java concurrency is liveness. Liveness problems can be caused
by the Java concurrency primitives. The recommended synchronization pattern for a
conditional wait [Jav] inside a Java monitor is shown in Figure 3.1.

Using the while loop with activation condition for synchronization may unnecessarily
consume a lot of resource of computer systems. Furthermore, it can easily bring heavy
overtaking or even starvation issues to the Java threads. The original wow-no-chicken
example [Wel98] addressed the starvation issue of this strategy. The notifyAll method,
widely used by many Java programmers, is very inefficient. It notifies all the waiting
threads and lets them compete with each other for the shared resource. Only one thread
can occupy the resource and progress. Apart from these problem in Java concurrency
synchronized(this){
    while(!condition) /* overtaking*/
    wait();
    <assignment of shared data>
    notifyAll(); /* inefficiency*/
}

Figure 3.1: Synchronization of Java Threads

primitives, liveness problems can also be easily introduced into concurrent Java programs by improper design from users.

For all the concurrency problems introduced by user design, Java provides no facility to address or avoid them. Developing correct concurrent Java programs mainly relies on manual skill and experience in development. [Goe03], [Goe04] and [Lea99] discuss concurrency issues in Java programming in detail. These disadvantages discourage some developers from using Java concurrency programming, especially for some large-scale systems where the concurrency model can be very complex. In [MW00], the developers of the Swing package even claimed: If you can get away with it, avoid using threads.

### 3.1.1 Concurrency in Java

The Java programming language supports shared-memory concurrency by the thread-monitor concept. A Java thread interface performs the basic process which represents independent control flow. The behavior of a Java thread is described in its run method.

The execution of a Java thread can be controlled or interfered by other threads using some methods provided by Java thread: stop, suspend, and resume. However, calling such methods to control the execution of a concurrent system is unsafe and deprecated. It is extremely difficult to control all the threads when there are a large number of them in a concurrent system. Therefore, Java provides a concurrency model based on the monitor concept to resolve the synchronization between threads. When more than one thread tries to access shared data in a critical section, which is marked with keyword synchronized, the lock of the critical section only allow one of these threads to access the protected section at a time. A thread uses the wait method to wait when it cannot exploit the critical section which it is already occupying. So it releases the monitor lock and hopes some other thread will acquire the monitor, fix things up for it and then wake the waiting thread. The user can either notify all the waiting threads using the notifyAll method, or notify only one of them using the notify method. In the notifyAll case, all the notified threads compete with each others to acquire the object lock.

The low-level monitor strategy of Java concurrent programming is not free from concurrency-related problems like data racing and deadlock. In Figure 3.1, some safety issues are
addressed using the recommended synchronisation pattern. Even then, the system remains exposed to liveness problems. The main concern is that the system developers have to identify all these concurrency problems by themselves. They need to use the Java synchronization primitives to construct a synchronization unit by themselves with concerns on the possible concurrency issues. As the concurrency strategy of a large-scale system can be very complicated, it is extremely difficult to build the system free from these issues. Furthermore, the efficiency of the concurrent system mostly depends on the design of synchronization. Even a building a simple semaphore unit can be inefficient or even cause deadlock. Therefore, building Java concurrent systems with the basic monitor primitives demands experienced skill from the developers.

### 3.1.2 J2SE 5.0

To avoid these problems, the new version of Java, JDK 5.0 introduced a new Java package `java.util.concurrency` [Goe04] to support higher level Java concurrent programming.

The new `util.concurrency` package also introduced some high-level thread-safe synchronization facilities to help in developing concurrent programs in Java. For example, the `Semaphore` class implements a classic Dijkstra counting semaphore. It has a certain number of permits, which can be obtained and released by threads. The Java threads with permits can access a shared resource and change the state of the shared resource. It changes the previous fashion of shared resource control which is described in Figure 3.1 with more efficient and safe class. Other new synchronization facilities include:

- **AbstractQueuedSynchronizer** class maintains synchronization state of Java threads. It replaces the `synchronized` block previously used in concurrent Java programming. It also maintains a FIFO queue for the blocked threads.

- **LockSupport** class blocks and unblocks threads. It replaces the `suspend()` and `resume()` method of Java `Thread` interface.

- **ConditionObject** class provides an alternative for the classic Java monitor-style synchronization by using the `Lock` interface of the new `concurrency` package.

Using the new concurrency primitives listed above, some new high-level facility classes are constructed. As these facility classes are carefully constructed and tested, using them to construct a concurrent system can prevent some fairness and efficiency issues. For example, the classical consumer-producer problem can be solved by Java monitor in Figure 3.2.

The consumer waits if the buffer is empty. After the producer added an object to the buffer, it notifies the consumer. Similarly, when a producer find the buffer is full, it
//Consumer thread
synchronized(buffer){
    while (buffer.size() == 0) {
        buffer.wait();
    }
    // -- Consume object from the buffer
    --
    notifyAll();
}
...

//Producer thread
synchronized(buffer){
    while (buffer.size() == MAX) {
        buffer.wait();
    }
    // -- Produce object to buffer --
    notifyAll();
}

Figure 3.2: Consumer-Producer Example: Java Monitor Solution

waits for the consumer to collect objects from the buffer, and send the notification. In Figure 3.1, the possible concurrency problems for the wait-notify approach are discussed.

The thread safe collection classes in J2SE 5.0 provides some straightforward implementations for thread-safe collections [Goe04]. The java.util.concurrent package provides a BlockingQueue interface and implementation classes, which is designed to be used primarily for producer-consumer queues. With this synchronization class, the consumer-producer problem can be easily and safely implemented in Figure 3.3.

```
BlockingQueue q = new SomeQueueImplementation(size);
...
//Consumer thread
try {
    while(true) { consume(q.take()); }
} catch (InterruptedException ex) { ... handle ...
}
...
//Producer thread
try {
    while(true) { q.put(produce()); }
} catch (InterruptedException ex) { ... handle ...
```

Figure 3.3: Consumer-Producer Example: BlockingQueue Solution

The synchronization between the two threads are much easier and clearer in Figure 3.3. As the implementation classes of BlockingQueue are elaborately designed, it makes it
easier to write correct and thread-safe concurrent Java implementation. Carefully implementing these synchronizer classes improved the programming simplicity and scalability of concurrent Java program, and prevents a number of concurrency issues. Also, the Java built-in locks accessed with synchronization are not fair locks at all (See the wot-no-chicken example in Section 7.2). Instead, they provide weaker liveness guarantees that require that all threads will eventually acquire the lock. The low-level lock facilities in JDK 5.0, such as `ReentrantLock`, `Semaphore`, and `ReentrantReadWriteLock`, provide options to guarantee fairness to the lock [Goe04].

### 3.2 Formal Approaches to Java Concurrency

Even J2SE 5.0 with new Java higher level concurrency primitives is not free of concurrency problems. It also provides no checking or verification facilities to detect these problems. Moreover, the concurrency model is still defined only in natural language, and thus cannot be formally analyzed. The lack of a formal foundation for the Java concurrency model makes it difficult to analyze and resolve concurrency issues in constructing large-scale concurrent Java applications.

Many approaches have been proposed for providing formal foundations to Java concurrency. One important trend is using formal techniques to analyze and verify existing concurrent Java programs. The approaches for formal analyzing Java concurrency can be roughly divided into three kinds of techniques.

- **Static Analysis.** The static analysis approaches employ formal specification languages, such as Petri Net [L03], CCS [Che00], CSP/FDR [Hoa78], occam/JCSP [WM00b, WM00a], Promela [DS98], JML [FLL02], and CTL (computation tree logic) formulas [RS05], to model concurrent Java programs. The formal specifications derived from Java programs can be analyzed and verified by deductive analysis tools or model checking tools. The problem of this approach is that the abstraction from Java programs to formal specifications usually lacks of formal mapping rules and automated tool support. It is difficult here to fill the gap between Java programs to formal specifications with reliable formal connection. JPF1 (Java Path Finder) [HS00] is one of the exceptions. It provides automatical translation tools to translate a subset of Java language into Promela. The Promela programs can be automatical verified in SPIN model checker [Hol03].

- **Runtime Verification.** Runtime verification approaches are based on Meyer’s Design by Contract concept [Mey92]. Assertion languages are introduced as pre-, postcondition, and invariants, which are used to specify the obligations that need to be satisfied during the execution of the Java programs. These assertions are inserted into the Java source code as comments, and can be evaluated and verified
when the programs are executed in the run-time verification tools. These runtime verification approaches are lightweight formal techniques which are easy to apply. JPF1, Jass/Jassda [BM02], and JML [LC03] are some featured approaches for Java runtime verification. It should be noted that the runtime verification approaches only prove that some certain assertions are preserved on the data operations during an execution of a concurrent Java program. This cannot guarantee that the program is free of concurrency issues.

- **Model Checking Programs** The JPF2 tool [VHP99] is a very different tool from JPF1. It generates a state model of the Java program of reachable size using its own Java Virtual Machine $JVM^{JPF}$. Model checking concrete programs used to be impossible due to state explosion problem. JPF2 utilizes deduction techniques to reduce the size of the state space. The Java language features and the size of the Java applications that JPF2 can handle are of course limited.

The analysis and verification on existing concurrent Java programs can help the developers to find out the quality of their concurrent products, while a formal concurrency model may provide more support throughout the development process. As a typical formal methods strategy starts from specifying a system with an abstract specification and gradually makes it more concrete through refinement, applying formal techniques to build concurrent Java systems from formal models should also be a feasible solution. There are also different techniques established to build formal concurrency models for Java. The difference between these techniques is mainly on the different status of the concurrent models in developing.

- The traditional strategy starts from specifying the system with formal specification languages. Then the abstract model of the system is refined by refinement techniques to finally reach the concrete Java programs. These approaches include CSP-OZ to Java [CS02], FSP to Java [MK99], and Circus to Java [OC04].

- [MS02a] and [HL06] provide alternative approaches for using formal concurrency model to develop concurrent Java programs. For these kind of approaches, the concurrency model and primitives are all dropped. The developers build the system in Java without considering concurrency, and the concurrency of the system is expressed separately in formulae which control the execution of Java application. Automatic pre-processor tools are designed to translate the Java programs with formulae into normal concurrent Java applications.

Some formal approaches mentioned above are discussed in the following sections.
3.2.1 Runtime Verification: JML, Jass and Jassda

Run-time verification is a lightweight formal method approach. It is motivated by the *Design by Contract* technique [Mey92]. It employs assertion languages to specify system behaviour. Assertions can be checked automatically when the programs are executed in the run-time verification tools. These approaches include *JML* (Java Modelling Language) [LPC+05] and *Jass* (Java with assertions).

For each module of Java source code, a number of assertions are specified to define the allowed state of variables in the module. These assertions are usually written as a special format of comment in the source code, and can be understood by the run-time verification tool. Failure to satisfy these assertions can be detected by the verification tool at run-time. This kind of approach is good for specifying how to use the modules of a Java program, but lacks the abilities to specify and prove the correctness of the whole system. This disadvantage makes them difficult to specify and verify temporal properties of the whole system. For example, *JML* only supports sequential behaviour of Java code, and concurrent properties cannot be expressed using the assertion language. Although in [RDF+05], an extension for supporting multi-threaded programs verification in *JML* is proposed, it has not been implemented in major *JML* tools.

Like the other efforts which support *Design by Contract* in Java, *Jass* supports the verification of pre-conditions, post-conditions and invariants. Furthermore, it supports a kind of *refinement checks* and *trace assertions*. The *refinement checks* in *Jass* check if the trace of a subclass is in the trace of its superclass. For *trace assertions*, a Java object can be checked to discover if the sequence of its behaviors is in its *Jass* trace assertions. The *Jass* tool can translate the *Jass* assertions, which are written as comments in Java source code file, into a Java byte-code program.

*Möll02, BM02* introduce the new *Jass* Debug Architecture (*Jassda*). In *Jassda*, the assertions are written in *CSP*-like processes and checked at runtime via the Java Debug Interface (JDI), while the *Jass* assertions are written in Java comments and need to be translated into Java source code before verifying. This technique gives a more flexible way to verify the trace properties of a Java class.

3.2.2 Model Checking Java Programs: Java Path Finder

The input languages used by model checking tools are usually simple and abstract to allow the state spaces of models to be restricted in scale. Programming languages, with rich data types, will in general cause the state space explosion in the model checker. Thus, it was generally believed in the past that model checking on concrete programming languages was very difficult to carry out due to the computational ability of existing computer systems.
[HS00] presents an automatic tool *Java Path Finder (JPF2)*, which integrates model checking, program analysis and testing for Java programs. The JPF2 tool can generate a state model from a subset of the Java language via the support of its own Java Virtual Machine (*JVM*). Some reduction techniques, such as symmetry reduction, and abstract interpretation are applied to reduce the size of the state model in JPF2. Formal properties and assertions can be verified in the state model. Concurrency properties, such as data race and deadlock can be detected by *JVM*.

The Java programs checkable in JPF2 are in the 1000 to 5000 line range, and the Java language used in it is limited to a subset. The new 4.0 version of JPF claimed being able to check programs up to 10kloc, depending on their internal structure. Applying JPF model checking on a large scale concurrent system currently is still unpractical.

### 3.2.3 Semi-Formal Approach: The Magee approach

[MK99] presents a semi-formal strategy for build concurrent Java programs. A process algebra language, *FSP* (Finite State Processes) is used to specify the system. After that, the *LTSA (Labelled Transition System Analyser)* tool is employed to translate the *FSP* specifications to an equivalent graphical description. The tool can check desirable and undesirable properties of the *FSP* model. To construct the Java application, the graphical version of the *FSP* specification is used as a guide for manual development.

This approach provide no formal translation from the *FSP* syntax to Java. The users must implement the model in Java through their own experience and skill. Although the concurrent model can be verified, there is no formal proof that the Java application is a correct implementation of the formal model. Therefore, the correctness of formal model cannot guarantee the correctness of the target concurrent Java programs.

### 3.2.4 Jeeg

Jeeg [MS02a] is a Java dialect which uses declarative Linear Temporal Logic (LTL) to replace the default synchronization mechanisms of Java. It tries to use aspect-oriented programming to fix the concurrency anomaly. Jeeg provides its own concurrency primitives to specify synchronization outside the methods of a Java class. This separates the methods, which express the actual job of the class, from its synchronization logic. This effectively limit the occurrence of the inheritance anomaly that commonly affects concurrent object-oriented languages. Also, synchronization constraints expressed in LTL make it possible to formally reason about concurrency properties.

The formulae which express the synchronization are placed in a *sync* section which is added to the class definition. The following code shows the basic structure of a Jeeg class.
public class MyClass {
    sync {
        ....
    }
    // Standard Java class definition
    ....
}

The *sync* section includes the LTL formulae in a form of:

\[ m: \phi \]

where \( m \) is an identifier of Java method, and \( \phi \) is a formula expressed in a constraint language based on linear temporal logic. A pre-processor tool can automatically generate Java source files from Jeeg source files. The formula \( \phi \) can be evaluated at run-time. When the Java programs runs in JVM, the execution of a guarded method \( m \) depends on the value of the LTL formula \( \phi \) which gives the execution condition of the method.

### 3.3 JCSP

JCSP [WBM+07, WM00a] is a Java implementation of the *occam*/occam-\( \pi \) language. The *occam* language [Lim95] is an implementation language of CSP. It expresses a subset of CSP semantics. In *occam*, processes communicate with each other using communication channels. The *occam-\( \pi \) language [WB04] extends the original *occam* language with \( \pi \)-calculus [Mil99]. It also support output guards and multi-way synchronization, which are not in the original *occam*.

JCSP inherits the same message-passing concurrency structure from CSP and *occam*. It provides various Java interfaces and classes for implementing *occam*/occam-\( \pi \) processes and channels, as well as basic processes, e.g. SKIP and STOP, parallel and sequential compositions, and external choice. Using JCSP, developers can easily construct a concurrent Java program from its CSP or *occam* specification.

The *JCSP* package implements the synchronization between the communicating processes inside channel classes. A Java application developed with *JCSP* consists of a number of objects from process classes. All the JCSP process classes implement a JCSP interface named *CSPProcess*. Process objects communicate with each other through instances of JCSP channel classes.

The classical interaction between JCSP processes is a point-to-point communication channel. Figure 3.4 demonstrates a point-to-point communication.
Process $P$ and $Q$ synchronize on channel $c$, and communicate a data item $X$ through the channel. The CSP specification of this communication is:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{MAIN} &= P \ || \ Q \\
&P = c!X \rightarrow SKIP \\
&Q = c?Y \rightarrow SKIP
\end{align*}
\]

and the occam language program of this is:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{PAR} \\
&c!X \\
&c?Y
\end{align*}
\]

In the JCSP implementation, for a communication channel $c$, there are two basic abstract JCSP channel interfaces: ChannelInput and ChannelOutput. The ChannelInput interface defines a read method to read an object from the channel, while the ChannelOutput interface defines a write method to write an object to the channel. Figure 3.5 shows the process class which implements process $P$.

It gets the output end out of a channel in its constructor, and in the run method it sends out the data $X$ through the output end. The communication channel is defined

![Diagram of processes and channel](image)

**Figure 3.4:** Channel and process of JCSP

```java
class P implements CSPProcess{
    private final ChannelOutput out;
    ......
    public P(ChannelOutput out){
        this.out = out;
    }
    public void run(){
        ......
        out.write(X);
    }
}
```

**Figure 3.5:** The JCSP process class implements process $P$
Class Main implements CSProcess{
    final private One2OneChannel c = Channel.one2one();
    .......
    public void run(){
        new Parallel(
            new CSProcess[]{
                new P(c.out()),
                new Q(c.in())
            }
        ).run();
    }
}

Figure 3.6: JCSP Parallel Processes

outside of the process. In Figure 3.6, the JCSP process objects $P$ and $Q$ are grouped in an array, and executed in parallel under the Parallel process.

In this case, the communication channel is declared as an one-to-one communication channel. In a parallel composition structure of the Main process, the output end of channel $c$ is passed to process $P$ and the input end is passed to process $Q$.

The communication only involves synchronization between one reader and one writer, which also means that there must be at least one reader and one writer. The reader and the writer processes synchronize with each other, and the writer process sends data to the reader. JCSP/occam also supports multiple writers and/or readers interleaving with each other to use a shared any-to-any channel. Note that the writers (respectively readers) do not synchronize with each other – only one reader with one writer. Therefore, the one-to-one, one-to-any, any-to-one, and any-to-any channel classes in JCSP are still point-to-point communication channels.

JCSP has implemented the barrier synchronization, which is a stateless multi-way synchronization, with the Barrier (and AltingBarrier) class. A barrier has an internal counter for all the synchronizing processes. When a process call the barrier, the process blocks and the barrier reduces the counter. Only when the counter is reduced to 0, which means all the synchronizing processes are ready, the blocked processes are released and can progress. The Barrier class in JCSP implements a multi-way synchronizing barrier. However, until version 1.0rc5, the Barrier class is not a guard, and cannot be used in external choice. We discuss this issue in Section 3.3.1.

To build a concurrent Java application, the developer can specify the system using CSP, verify the model using FDR [For03], and then develop a JCSP program from the CSP model. The benefit of JCSP is that the developer is protected from low-level synchronization issues during implementation. As the compositional semantics of CSP is carried over by JCSP, more often, people just develop the Java program directly with the JCSP library.
The producer-consumer solution given in Figure 3.2 and Figure 3.3 work for any number of producers and consumers. A JCSP version, almost identical that from Figure 3.3, is given in Figure 3.7.

```java
Any2AnyChannel c = Channel.any2any(new Buffer(size));
...
//Consumer thread
while(true) { consume(c.read()); }
...
//Producer thread
while(true) { c.write(produce()); }
```

**Figure 3.7:** Consumer-Producer Example: The JCSP Solution

The correctness of the JCSP implementation of the *occam* communication channel to a JCSP channel has been formally proved [WM00a]: the CSP model of the JCSP channel communication is shown to be failures-divergences equivalent to the CSP channel.

### 3.3.1 The Limitation of JCSP 1.0rc5 and before

The JCSP packages of 1.0rc5 version and before mainly focus on implementing the point-to-point communication as their concurrency model. At a time, only one reader process and one writer process can synchronize and communicate data through the communication channel.

Although these packages have a multi-way synchronizing *Barrier* class implemented, the *Barrier* class is more like a separate synchronization facility as it cannot be used for guarded external choice. In JCSP, the *Alternative* class implement the alternative processes structure (\(\text{ALT}\)) of *occam*-\(\pi\). In the 1.0rc5 version, the implementation of external choice has the same constraints as required by classical *occam*. Even for point-to-point communication channels, only the channel input (\(ch?x\)) can be used for guarded external choice. The output-end process must commit to a channel communication, which means it cannot use a channel output (\(ch!x\)) in external choice. Solving guarded external choice for both ends of the communication channel and multi-way synchronizing channel is complex and can be costly [McE06].

### 3.3.2 New JCSP versions

Recently, as new versions of JCSP have moved on to support the *occam*-\(\pi\) language. In [WBM+07], new features in the new 1.0rc7 and 1.1 versions of JCSP are introduced.

A new and stable *AltingBarrier* class has been implemented in 1.0-rc7. The *AltingBarrier* class implements multi-way synchronization with guards. Therefore, it can be used
in external choice. In Section 5.4, we have a more detailed discussion on the implementa-
tion of multi-way synchronization.

In JCSP programs before version 1.1, Processes take channel-end types, such as \textit{ChannelOutput} or \textit{ChannelInput}, as arguments to process constructors. Instances of channels are passed directly to these processes. This allowed users to cast a \textit{ChannelInput} as a \textit{ChannelOutput}, this is now prevented by passing instances of channel ends. The \textit{input}- and \textit{output-end} can be extracted from a channel instance using \textit{in} and \textit{out} methods of the channel.

The 1.1 version also introduces extended rendezvous. A rendezvous allows the input-end process to execute extra code without scheduling the output-end process. The input-end process starts a rendezvous by calling the \textit{startRead} method of a \textit{ChannelInput} instance, and ends the rendezvous by calling the \textit{endRead} method. During this period, the output-end process remains blocked.

Other useful features of the 1.1 version includes \textit{poison} and \textit{graceful termination}. These new features in 1.0rc7 and 1.1 versions provide better support of \textit{occam-pi}, and improve the scalability of JCSP on various concurrency systems.

### 3.3.3 A Translation Tool for JCSP

Since the \textit{JCSP} package implements a subset of \textit{CSP} syntax, it is possible to automatically translate a formal concurrency model specified with the subset of \textit{CSP} syntax to a Java application. In [RRS03], a translation tool, which can automatically generate JCSP-based Java programs from \textit{CSP} processes, is presented.

To develop a Java concurrent application with the tool, a concurrency model is specified with a subset of \textit{CSP} notations. Then the specified model is checked in \textit{FDR} to prove its correctness. After that, the concurrency model is translated to a Java program.

The formal model supported by this tool is a pure restricted \textit{CSP} model. Therefore, the users have to add the extra data definition and operation, which cannot be supported by the tool, in the target Java program manually. However, the manually introduced data may affect behaviours of the system. Therefore, even if the translation is correct, the manual changes may make the final code inconsistent with its CSP model.

The \textit{CSP} notations supported by Raju’s tool are very limited. Furthermore, the tool has been found experimentally not to be robust enough to handle non-trivial examples.

### 3.3.4 From Circus to JCSP

In [OC04], the translation rules for translating \textit{Circus} program to Java programs via the JCSP package are presented. In [FC06], a translation tool is introduced. The \textit{Circus}
programs used for translation are refined to be more concrete. They are written in the executable subset of Circus.

As Circus is a combined specification from Z and a subset of CSP, the CSP part, which controls the execution flow of the specification, can be translated into JCSP as normal CSP specification. Each Circus process declared in the ProcDecl section is translated into a JCSP process class CSProcess. The main Action section of a Circus process, which determines how the process performs, generates the Java statements inside the run() method of the CSProcess class. Each CSP-like action of Circus corresponds to a JCSP channel.

In Chapter 8, we discuss and compare our approach and the Circus translation.
Chapter 4

The Combined B+CSP Specification

In PROB, the B part of the combined specification is essentially an action system \[BKS83a\]. It specifies the abstract state of the system based on a number of constants and variables. The system state is shared by a number of guarded B operations in the system model. The operations can change the state of the system by updating the values of system variables. In abstract models, the enablement of an operation is guarded by predicates on the state of the system. The CSP part, on the other hand, defines the behaviours of the system by specifying the possible operation sequences/traces. In CSP, the actions in the system are regarded as stateless channels. A process, a key concept, is defined in terms of possible behaviour sequences of those channels. Each process may also maintain variables which are only locally visible to the process itself.

Semantically, the B machine can be regarded as a special process, which is running in parallel with the CSP processes. The B operations are also in a parallel composition and synchronize with the corresponding CSP channels. The B and the CSP combine with each other through shared operational event names. A combined B+CSP event comprises a B operation and a CSP channel sharing name. It is only allowed to proceed when it is allowed both by the B and the CSP. The B specification can guard a combined event with precondition predicate. The combined event also needs all the CSP processes who synchronize on it to be ready.

PROB interprets the B and the CSP specifications into Prolog, and builds a state model from the Prolog representation. It also supports animation and model checking of the combined specification. The operational semantics of the B+CSP specification is introduced in \[BL05\] and provides a formal basis for combining the B and CSP specification.

In this chapter, we introduce the B+CSP specification, and how we make use of it in this work. This chapter starts with an introduction of the notations of the combined B+CSP
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specification language in Section 4.1. In Section 4.2, the operational semantics of B+CSP and the combination strategy are discussed. As the semantics is developed for supporting abstract specification, it is too flexible for the implementation in programming languages. Therefore, in Section 4.3, the reasons for restricting the original semantics are discussed, and a restricted semantics of B+CSP combination is presented. In Section 4.4, we describe how to compute the restricted semantics in the implementation. Based on the new restricted semantics, the synchronization model is explained in Section 4.5. At the time of writing, the B+CSP approach is not methodologically complete and has its own limitations in the refinement and composition rules.

4.1 The Specification language

Table 4.1 gives a partial B and CSP syntax used in the thesis. We use quote marks as well as boldface to denote BNF terminal strings. A statement $S^+;\cdot$ means an symbol $S$ can appears one or more times, and elements of $S$ are separated by the terminal “;”. A statement $S^*$ means $S$ can appears zero or multiple times.

In the work, the target B specification is mainly the B0 subset. As introduced in Section 2.1.3, the B0 subset only supports concrete data and concrete data transitions. That makes it very close to programming languages and is easier to implement than many other abstract B features. We do support some abstract B language features beyond B0. One notable feature is the precondition substitution. Possibly subject to a precondition PRE - all of whose clauses must be satisfied to enable the operation - an operation updates system state using various forms of data substitution. These features are implemented to provide extra functions for rapidly implementing and testing an abstract specification in Java programs. In the implementation, preconditions are interpreted as guards, which will block the process if the precondition is not satisfied. The other one is parallel composition, which is normally resolved through nondeterminism in the abstract model. With the decomposition approach explained in Section 7.3, parallel composed B substitutions in a B operation can be decomposed into separate B operations of different parallel B machines.

4.2 The Operational Semantics of B+CSP

The operational semantics of B+CSP is introduced in [BL05]. It provides a formal basis for combining the B and CSP specification. The B and CSP specification are composed as parallel processes. A B machine is viewed as a special process in the system, which maintains and updates the system state through the data transitions in its operations.
Without CSP processes, a B machine process can fire all its operations freely. The data transitions can only be blocked by preconditions on the operation. However, in some cases, it may not be very convenient to define system level behaviours only with preconditions guards. Normally, a B machine needs to define an abstract ‘program counter’ and use it in preconditions to control the execution of an operation [AM98]. However, this form of specification of behaviour is opaque, compared to process algebra approaches such as CSP.

To work with CSP processes, a B machine process needs to synchronize and communicate. The synchronization and integration of B and CSP processes are on the B operations and CSP channels.

- A B operation must have a corresponding CSP channel with the identical name. Together, they build up a combined B+CSP channel. The B operation is only ready to progress when the corresponding CSP channel is also ready.

### Table 4.1: The main B and CSP specification syntax supported in JCSProB

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<tr>
<th>B Machine</th>
<th>Machine</th>
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<td>Clause_machine</td>
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<td>Clause.assertions</td>
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| | | Clause_operations | Clause_operations | ...

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<th>B Operation</th>
<th>Operation</th>
<th>OPERATIONS Operation^{++}</th>
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<td>Clause_operations</td>
<td>Operation “=” Substitution</td>
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<tr>
<td>Header_operation</td>
<td>[ ID^{++} ] “=” ID [ “(&quot; ID^{++} “)” ]</td>
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<tr>
<th>B Substitution</th>
<th>Precondition</th>
<th>PRE Condition THEN Substitution END</th>
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<tr>
<td>Block</td>
<td>BEGIN Substitution END</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>If-Then-Else</td>
<td>IF Condition THEN Substitution</td>
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</tr>
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<td></td>
<td>[ ELSIF Condition THEN Substitution ]^{+}</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>[ ELSE Substitution ]</td>
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<tr>
<td>END</td>
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| CSP | Prefix | ChannelExp → Process |
| Process | Sequential Composition | Process “;” Process |
| | External Choice | Process “[” Process |
| | Alphabetical Parallel | Process “[“ Ch.List “]” Process |
| | Interleaving | Process “[|]” Process |
| | Process call | Process “[||]” Process |
| | If-Then-Else | Proc.Header |
| | Skip | if CSP.Condition then Process [else Process] |
| | Stop | SKIP |
| CSP Channels | ID[(Expression)] “;=” Expression |

| Output_Parameter | ID [*Output_Parameter*] [Input_Parameter*] |
| Input_Parameter | “!” CSPExp | “.” CSPExp |
| CSPExp | “?” CSPExp |
A CSP channel is combined with a B operation, or it can be a pure CSP channel which has no B counterpart. A pure CSP channel is only used in the CSP part for communication.

Figure 4.1 illustrates how the synchronization works. Operations \( A \), \( B \), and \( C \) all have corresponding CSP channels in the CSP part. Only when channel \( A \) is ready, operation \( A \) is able to progress the data transitions inside the operation. CSP channel \( D \) is only used by CSP processes, and has no counterpart in the B machine. In this way, the system behaviour specified in CSP can be used to control the execution of data transitions in the B machine.

The combined B+CSP event is defined by the operational semantics. A state of a combined B+CSP specification is defined as a pair, which includes a B state and a CSP state.

In [BL05], states \( \sigma \) and \( \sigma' \) are the before and after B states for executing a B operation. The operation is defined with operation identifier \( op \), return variable \( r_1, \ldots, r_m \), and input variables \( a_1, \ldots, a_n \), as \( r_1, \ldots, r_m \leftarrow op(a_1, \ldots, a_n) \). The B operational semantics can thus be defined with a ternary relation \( \rightarrow \) as \( \sigma \rightarrow_{op} \sigma' \). That means in state \( \sigma \), the operation \( op \) progresses with input variable \( a_1, \ldots, a_n \), then returns output variables \( r_1, \ldots, r_m \), and reaches a new state \( \sigma' \). In the CSP part, \( P \) is a CSP process, and \( P' \) is the process after \( P \) processing CSP channel \( ch \), which has the same identical name as the B operation \( op \). Channel \( ch \) can be defined with a number of variables \( b_1, \ldots, b_i \) as

\[ \ldots \]
The CSP operational semantics is given by a similar relation \( \rightarrow \) as \( P \rightarrow_{ch} P' \).

Therefore, the before and after state of B+CSP specification can be defined as \((\sigma, P)\) and \((\sigma', P')\). We can now define the operational semantics of B+CSP specification by combining the two ternary relations into one form \((\sigma, P) \rightarrow_{ev} (\sigma', P')\), where the combined event \( ev \) is a synchronization of B operation \( op \) and CSP channel \( ch \).

The essential issue of this synchronization is how to define the data flows of B operations and CSP channels. A B operation can have input variables \( a_1, \ldots, a_n \) and return output variables \( r_1, \ldots, r_m \) as result, while variables \( b_1, \ldots, b_i \) of a CSP channel can have input(?) , output(!) and dot(.) decorations to imply the data flow of the variables.

PROB supports a very flexible way to combine the data flows of B operations and CSP channels. In PROB, the synchronization is achieved by Prolog unification, which means data information can flow in from both B and CSP:

- CSP channels can provide concrete data values, which means the CSP part is used to drive the B part.
- B operations can provide data values, which means the B part is used to drive the CSP part.
- B and CSP can both provide concrete data values to each other. The mixed data flow allows B and CSP can drive each other at the same time.
- In the worst case, when both B and CSP do not provide concrete data values, PROB can enumerate the B datatypes of variables and drive the interpreter.

As an abstract model checking tool, PROB tries to explore all the possible states of a system. The power of enumerating data values from datatype definitions makes it capable of using the combined channels without caring about the input/output data flow on the channels. Therefore, it does not clearly distinguish the input and output variables of both B and CSP. For example, in PROB, \( ch!aa \) and \( ch?aa \) are all valid CSP channels for combining with B operation \( op(aa) \). Moreover, it even does not force the numbers of variables on a B operation and its corresponding CSP channel to be same. For example, a CSP channel \( ch.aa.bb \) can have fewer variables than its corresponding B operation \( op(aa,bb,cc) \). It ignores the missing variable \( cc \), and either B part or the PROB interpreter can provide the concrete data value for it.

For a very simple B machine in Figure 4.2, we combine it with the following CSP process:

\[
Proc = Set?Val \rightarrow Get!Val \rightarrow Proc
\]
MACHINE Simple
SETS AA = aa, bb, cc
VARIABLES xx
INVARIANT xx ∈ AA
INITIALISATION xx := aa
OPERATIONS
Set(newval) =
   PRE newval ∈ AA THEN
      xx := newval END;
   res ← Get = BEGIN res := xx END
END

Figure 4.2: A simple B machine: Simple

As both B and CSP require the data value of Val on combined event Set, neither of them can provide concrete data to drive the combined machine. In this case, PROB interpreter would provide the concrete data using its enumeration mechanism, and actually drive the combined model. The enumeration mechanism provides data values based on the data type of a variable. It also looks into the enumeration configuration in PROB for the size of the enumeration values it can provide. For example, if Val is a natural number, and the enumeration size setting in PROB is 3, the enumeration mechanism would provide three natural numbers 1, 2, and 3 as the result. The Get event here is more complex, as both the B operation and the CSP channel try to output data. The PROB interpreter would only combine them together when the output data values from B and CSP are equal.

We can also combine the B machine showed in Figure 4.2 with a different CSP process:

Proc = Get?Val → Set!Val → Proc

In the new combined model, the combined event Get has a B operation which outputs data, and a CSP channel which requires an input data. So, the B part is driving the combined event here by providing the data. On the other hand, the Set event is a combination with a CSP channel which outputs the value of Val, and a B operation which needs an input parameter. The data outputted from the CSP part would drive the combined event here.

The above two examples demonstrate how flexible the combination could be in the PROB tool. Actually, even when part of the parameter definitions are missing, PROB can still successfully perform the combination. For example, if the same B machine in Figure 4.2 is combined with a CSP:

Proc = Get → Set!Val → Proc
although the corresponding parameter on CSP channel \textit{Get} is missing, PRoB can still combine the B operation with it. In this case, there would not be any data communication between the CSP and the B parts in the combination. The two parts just synchronize with each other on the occurrence of the event.

### 4.3 The Restricted Semantics for Implementation

As a model checking tool, PRoB aims to exhaustively explore all the states of an abstract finite state system, on the way enumerating all possible value combinations of operation arguments. The flexibility in combining the two formal models provides more power to the PRoB tool to model check the state space of a model. The implementation of the semantics using Prolog unification is simple and efficient. Especially, in some cases, it allows the PRoB interpreter, instead the B or the CSP, to drive the combined model. However, as our target is implementing the combined B+CSP specification in a concrete programming language, we cannot implement the involvement of the PRoB interpreter or support the same flexible and abstract semantics as model checkers. Therefore, we have to restrict the original semantics in PRoB to make it suitable and meaningful for a concrete programming language.

The PRoB interpreter is used when neither the B nor the CSP provides full data information to drive the model. There are three kinds of cases, where this can happen:

- Both the B operation \textit{op(aa)} and the CSP channel \textit{ch?aa} request the data value of variable \textit{aa}.
- The B operation \textit{op(aa)} requests the data value of variable \textit{aa}, while CSP channel \textit{ch} does not provide the value.
- The CSP channel \textit{ch?aa} requests the data value of variable \textit{aa}, while B operation \textit{op} does not provide the value.

In our restricted semantics, we prohibit all the three combinations. Furthermore, there is another combination of the B and CSP variables dropped from the semantics.

- Both the B operation \textit{aa ← op} and the CSP channel \textit{ch!aa} output data values.

PRoB can handle this with its Prolog unification. Only when the two output values from the B and the CSP are same, can the B operation and the CSP channel be combined. However, this violates the concurrency model of our approach. Section 4.5 will give a discussion of this in detail. The allowed argument combinations in this work are showed in Table 4.2.
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<th>B: return arguments</th>
<th>B: no argument</th>
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<td></td>
<td>(c(x))</td>
<td>(y ← c)</td>
<td>(c)</td>
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<tr>
<td>CSP output (c!x, c.x)</td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>×</td>
<td>×</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CSP input (c?y)</td>
<td>×</td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>×</td>
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<tr>
<td>CSP none (c)</td>
<td>×</td>
<td>×</td>
<td>✓</td>
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Table 4.2: The allowed arguments combination for B+CSP events

We thus define a restricted B+CSP operational semantics as follows. For a B operation \( o_1, ..., o_m ← op(i_1, ..., i_n) \), its corresponding CSP channel must be in the form of \( chi_1...i_n?o_1...?o_m \). At CSP state \( P \), a CSP process sends channel arguments \( i_1, ..., i_n \) through the channel to a B operation as input arguments. After the data transitions of the channel complete - taking B state from \( \sigma \) to \( \sigma' \) - the CSP state changes to \( P' \). The arguments \( o_1, ..., o_m \) represent the data returned from B to CSP. The input arguments \( i_1, ..., i_n \) only exist in state \( (\sigma, P) \), while the output arguments \( o_1, ..., o_m \) are only available in state \( (\sigma', P') \). The new restricted semantics of a combined event \( ev \) can be expressed as \( ((\sigma, P), in) \rightarrow ev ((\sigma', P'), out) \), where \( in = i_1, ..., i_n \), and \( out = o_1, ..., o_m \).

PROB also supports classical CSP communication channels. These channels exist only in the CSP part of the combined specification and have no B counterparts, which means that they cannot directly affect the system states in the B part. A channel output \( (c!y) \) synchronizes with one channel input \( (c?x) \) from a different process, and transfer a data. This synchronization is a point-to-point (p2p) communication pattern. It also supports multi-way synchronization, multiple processes can synchronize on one barrier channel \( c \).

Table 4.3 demonstrates CSP communication channels supported in this work.

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<tr>
<th>JCSProB</th>
<th>CSP input (c?y)</th>
<th>CSP output (c!x)</th>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>✓ (p2p sync)</td>
<td>×</td>
<td>×</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>×</td>
<td>✓ (p2p sync)</td>
<td>×</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>×</td>
<td>×</td>
<td>✓ (Barrier)</td>
</tr>
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Table 4.3: The allowed arguments combination for pure CSP event

4.4 How to Compute the Restricted Semantics

The restricted semantics described in Section 4.3 provides the formal basis of combining the B and the CSP models. The restricted semantics supports a two-way communication between a B operation and a CSP event, which means that the CSP can provide the data information to drive the B machine and/or vice-versa. Figure 4.3 shows how the semantics actually perform.
In step (1), the system is in state \((\sigma, P)\). The CSP event \(ev\) can provide variables \(i_1, \ldots, i_n\) to the B operation \(op\) as input arguments for the B operation. From the view of the CSP event, it outputs (!) this data to the B part, while the B operation sees this as a data input from the CSP event. Thus the CSP part uses the input arguments to drive the B machine and its actions on the system state. Even if there is no input data from the CSP, the CSP event still drives the B machine by invoking the execution of the B operation.

In step (2), the B operation \(op\) uses the input variables \(i_1, \ldots, i_n\) (or without any input data), and processes some data transitions to move the state of the system from \((\sigma, P)\) to \((\sigma', P')\). At the same time, it can produce some output data \(o_1, \ldots, o_m\).

In step (3), the B operation \(op\) send the output variables \(o_1, \ldots, o_m\) back to the CSP event \(ev\). The CSP event receives the variables as input (?). These variables can be further used by the CSP process to control the behaviour of the system. In this way, B machine can use the output variables \(o_1, \ldots, o_m\) to drive the CSP part.

Accordingly, this semantics allows the system behaviour to drive and change the data aspect of the system, while the data aspect can also use the return variables to affect the behaviour of the system. As an example of the restricted semantics, Figure 4.4 shows a combined specification of a powered lift. The B machine has two variables to specify the system state: \textit{level} indicates the floor of the lift, and \textit{elecr} marks the electric power left in the battery. The lift goes up and down through \textit{inc} and \textit{dec} operations. Each of these operation costs energy from the battery. When the power in the battery is below 40, the lift enters emergency mode. It uses the CSP channel \textit{alarm} to call the supplier, and retraces to level 0 for resetting and charging. After the supplier is notified by the alarm, he recharges the battery. After the battery is recharged, the lift can return to normal functioning.

![Diagram of a powered lift](image)

\textbf{Figure 4.3: How to compute the restricted semantics}
**MACHINE** powered\_lift

**VARIABLES** level, electr

**INVARIANT** level ∈ \(\mathbb{N}\) ∧ level ≥ 0 ∧ level ≤ 10 ∧
electr ∈ \(\mathbb{N}\) ∧ electr ≥ 0

**INITIALISATION** level := 1 || electr := 100

**OPERATIONS**

\(rr \leftarrow inc =\)

**PRE** level < 10 ∧ 2 < electr

**THEN** level := level + 1 || electr := electr - 2 || rr := electr - 2

**END**;

\(rr \leftarrow dec =\)

**PRE** level > 0 ∧ 2 < electr

**THEN** level := level - 1 || electr := electr - 2 || rr := electr - 2

**END**;

recharge =

**PRE** level == 0 **THEN** electr := electr + 150 **END**;

reset =

**BEGIN** electr := electr - level × 2 || level := 0 **END**;

\(rr \leftarrow test =\)

**BEGIN** rr := electr **END**

**END**

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**MAIN** = Lift [[\{alarm\}]] Supplier

Lift = inc?Y → LiftTest\(Y\) || dec?Y → LiftTest\(Y\)

LiftTest\(X\) = if \(X < 40\) then alarm → reset → Emergency else Lift

Emergency = test?Y → if \(Y \geq 40\) then Lift else Emergency

Supplier = alarm → recharge → Supplier

**Figure 4.4:** Combined Specification of powered lift

In this model, the CSP part calls \(inc\), \(dec\) and \(recharge\) channels to invoke the corresponding B operations for changing the system state. On the other hand, the return variables in channels \(inc\), \(dec\) and \(test\) are further used in CSP processes as condition variables in the **if-else-then** structures. The behaviours of these CSP processes depend on the value of these variables.

### 4.5 The Concurrency Model

The behaviour of the system is specified in the CSP part of the combined specification. Processes in the CSP part can be in several kinds of processes compositions, e.g. interleave, parallel, sequential and choice. In particular, parallel CSP processes can synchronize with each other on certain CSP channels. In the restricted B+CSP semantics, B+CSP channels and pure CSP events have different concurrency models for synchronization.

A combined B+CSP channel has two levels of synchronization.
• The CSP level. In this level, all the CSP processes which call this channel need to synchronize on the channel. When a process calls a synchronizing channel, it blocks until all the other processes which synchronize on this channel are ready. The synchronization here is determined by the name of the channel, as well as the values of the variables on it.

• The combination level. The synchronization is between the CSP part (including all the CSP processes) and the B part. The call from the CSP part depends on the CSP level of synchronization, while the corresponding B operation can be guarded by preconditions. Only when both the B and the CSP are ready, the data transitions inside the channel can progress.

Figure 4.5 shows how four processes \( p1, p2, p3 \) and \( p4 \) synchronize on a combined event \( ch \).

\[ \text{Process p1} \]
\[ \text{Process p2} \]
\[ \text{Process p3} \]
\[ \text{Process p4} \]

\[ \text{B operation \( ch \)} \]
\[ \text{CSP channel \( ch \)} \]

\[ \text{combination level sync} \]

In the CSP level, the value of the variables on the channel is also an important factor in the synchronization, as well as the channel name. Only when parallel processes call the same channel with exactly the same values, do they synchronize with each other on that channel. For example, if process \( P \) and \( Q \) synchronize on channel \( ch!x \), only when variable \( x_1 \) of the call \( ch!x_1 \) from process \( P \) equals variable \( x_2 \) of the call \( ch!x_2 \) from process \( Q \), can the two processes synchronize.

Furthermore, the synchronization is only concerned with input data \( i_1, ..., i_n \). An input value must have a defined value at the time of synchronization because the value needs to be passed to the B operation. A B operation reads a defined value for its input data in order to trigger.

In PROB, the output variables \( o_1, ..., o_m \) can also be used for synchronization, while in the restricted semantics, this is not allowed. The synchronization between the CSP
processes and B machine determines whether a B+CSP channel can progress. Therefore, the decision should be made in the state \((\sigma, P)\), before the data transitions are actually processed. The output data \(o_1, \ldots, o_m\) are only available in state \((\sigma', P')\), after the data transition progresses. However, when the values of input data of the combined event and the system state are fixed, a B operation would always move the system to a specific state, and produce a certain output data.

The synchronization between CSP processes on a channel can be viewed as a barrier synchronization with data. To simplify the concurrency model, it is suffice to say that processes calling the same channel with exactly the same data values perform a single barrier synchronization, which means it is possible to use a classical barrier synchronization to implement the CSP level of synchronization for B+CSP channel. The synchronization between a CSP channel and its corresponding B operation can be regarded as a two-way point-to-point communication: the CSP channel first sends the input data \(i_1, \ldots, i_n\) to the B operation, and after the data transition is performed, the B operation sends output data \(o_1, \ldots, o_m\) back to the CSP event. This gives the possibility of implementing the B+CSP synchronization using JCSP/occam-\pi. We will discuss this later in Section 8.2.5.

In Pr0B, pure CSP channels preserve the semantics of classical CSP. In this work, we use JCSP communication channels to implement pure CSP channels, which means the CSP channels here need to express the same semantics as JCSP/occam-pi does. The standard channel model of JCSP/occam provides point-to-point communication channel classes, which is introduced in Section 3.3. These channel classes are employed to implement the point-to-point communication channels in Table 4.3. As JCSP has implemented the barrier synchronization with the Barrier and AltingBarrier classes, we uses these classes to implement the barrier synchronization of pure CSP channels, which is also allowed in this work.
Chapter 5

JCSProB: A Java Implementation of B+CSP

Implementation is the final target for the development of all software systems. A typical formal development employs a formalized stepwise refinement techniques. The development starts with a very abstract non-deterministic system model, which is developed with high-level observation of the system behaviours. As the high-level abstract model lacks concrete details of the system, it is very hard to be implemented. In a series of refinement steps, low-level details of the system are added in the system model. Eventually, we can get a final refinement of the system model, which is concrete enough to be input to the compiler to generate an executable program.

In B development, the final refinement is defined in a deterministic subset of the B language, B0. Although B0 only includes concrete data and concrete data manipulations, it still lacks some implementation details and there is no compiler support for this language. Alternatively, as B0 is very close to conventional programming languages, it is possible to translate B0 into other well supported programming languages. The Atelier-B [Ate01] tool provides translation tools [Cle02] from B0 to Ada and C. In this work, we translate combined B+CSP specifications into Java programs.

The definition of the B+CSP semantics in Section 4.2 shows that the behaviours of a system are specified in the CSP part of the combined model. In B+CSP, the CSP part of a system is the driving force of system behaviour, while the B part specifies a reactive system with data and data manipulations. Although the data aspect can affect the system behaviours via the return variables of combined events, the invocation of events is controlled by the CSP processes. As the semantics of the B0 language is very close to conventional programming languages, it is not very difficult to translate the B0 specification into programming language. However, it is not common for a programming language to directly provide a mechanism to implement the semantics of
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a process algebra. Therefore, how to implement the system behaviours specified by the CSP part of the combined specification is a key question of the work.

This chapter starts with a discussion on the reasons for developing the JCSProB package in Section 5.1. Then it gives an overview of the package structure in Section 5.2. In Section 5.3, we introduce our implementation of the combined B+CSP event. The implementation of multi-way synchronization of this event implementation is a very important feature for JCSProB, and in Section 5.4 we give a full discussion of our solution. Another important re-implementation is of the process mechanism. New thread, process and process composition classes are introduced in Section 5.5. A big difference between JCSP and JCSProB is that JCSProB has a state model defined in B specification. The implementation of the state model is in a variable class, which is presented in Section 5.6. In Section 5.7, a GUI package, which is used to interact with JCSProB programs, is introduced.

5.1 Why We Need JCSProB

The JCSP package [WM00b] provides a Java implementation of the oocam-π language, which expresses a subset of CSP semantics (see the discussion in Section 3.3). Because JCSP is a well constructed package and had the channel classes formally verified [WM00a], if we can implement the B+CSP event based on the JCSP package, correctness of the implementation should be easier to prove. Therefore, our first priority is using it to implement the CSP part of the system. However, some limitations of JCSP make it not very suitable for implementing the B+CSP event.

5.1.1 JCSP Channels and B+CSP Events

Both in JCSP and B+CSP, the synchronization between processes is through the channels/events. The difference between B+CSP and JCSP concurrency models is an important question in implementing B+CSP semantics using JCSP.

In Section 3.3.1, we discussed that the limitation of JCSP 1.0rc5 on multi-way synchronization and external choice, which was the available version of the JCSP package when we started this work. However, if we want to implement the multi-way synchronizing B+CSP events, external choice is an important feature which must be implemented. Therefore, we had to implement multi-way synchronizing events by ourselves. We will have a detailed discussion of this in Section 5.4.

Another big difference is the implementation of system state and the data transitions which change the system state. In JCSP/oocam-π, each process maintains its own states, and the channels are regarded as stateless communication channels which have no
internal data transitions. The state changes of JCSP/occam-$\pi$ happen in the processes, not in the channels. However, the B part of combined B+CSP events has data transitions inside to change the state of the B machine. This means we cannot directly use the JCSP channel classes to implement the B+CSP event.

Table 5.1 summarizes the differences discussed above.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Channels</th>
<th>JCSP channel</th>
<th>JCSP call channel</th>
<th>JCSP barrier</th>
<th>B+CSP event</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Multi-way Sync</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Need</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>External Choice</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes (acceptor side only)</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Need</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Data on Channel</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes (bi-direction)</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Need</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Data Transition</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes (acceptor side only)</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Need</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Table 5.1: JCSP (1.0rc5) channel, barrier, and B+CSP event

Accordingly, the implementation of the B+CSP event needs to support multi-way synchronization, external choice, data on the event, and atomic data transitions inside the event. As the JCSP package before 1.0rc6 does not provide enough support for implementing the B+CSP event, we have to implement it in a new Java program.

5.1.2 CSP Process Call, Recursion and occam-$\pi$ Loop

A pragmatic difference between B+CSP and JCSP/occam-$\pi$ is how recursion is managed. Although both occam-$\pi$ and JCSP (through Java) allow recursion in processes, unbounded use (e.g. to express non-terminating cyclic behaviour) would lead to memory allocation failure. Many simple recursions in B+CSP are actually tail recursions and these are easily expressed with conventional WHILE loops in occam-$\pi$ and Java (for JCSP). More complex B+CSP recursions, if they are unbounded, have to be transformed for memory safe implementation in JCSP/occam-$\pi$. In Section 5.5, this is addressed with a new mechanism within JCSProB, so that complex recursions may be implemented directly without memory problems.

The loop statements in both JCSP and occam-$\pi$ represent a tail recursion inside a process, while the CSP part of the B+CSP specification supports more flexible, natural forms of recursions. A CSP process can call itself at the end of the process to do tail recursion. For example, a process $P$ is defined as:

$$P = a \rightarrow P$$

After process $P$ performs an event $a$, it enters a state $P'$. In state $P'$, it calls process $P$. Then the process would perform as $P$ again. In this way, event $a$ is repeatedly called. Although the tail recursion described here can be easily implemented by the loop structures in JCSP and occam-$\pi$, they are still a bit different. In JCSP/occam-$\pi$, ...
the loop is inside a process, which means the loop structure maintains the state of the process. However, in general CSP tail recursion, when a CSP process $P$ calls a new process $P'$ at the end of the process $P$, the state within the process $P$ is not directly accessible from the new process $P'$. In CSP, if we do want to maintain the data state within the recursion, one solution here is passing data between new process instance and its ancestor. For example:

$$P(x) = a!x \rightarrow b?y \rightarrow P(y)$$

Moreover, using branching structures, such as condition and choice, CSP can produce more complex recursion patterns than can be neatly modelled by \texttt{while} loops. In CSP, one process also can call other named processes. When process $P$ calls process $Q$, the process would perform the behaviours defined in process $Q$. If we add branching structures into processes, one process can have different descendant processes depending on condition and choice. For example, the \textit{Lift} process shown in the CSP specification of Figure 4.4 can further perform as process \textit{Lift} or process \textit{Emergency}. The decision is made by an external choice and the conditions of the \texttt{if-else-then} structures. As it involves a new process \textit{Emergency}, the recursion here is complex enough to disable us from using a loop inside the \textit{Lift} process to resolve it. It can be programmed just using loop or tail recursion, but that requires putting the \textit{LiftTest} and \textit{Emergency} processes inside the \textit{Lift} process as a nested loop. For examples with more complex branching structures, the loop expression can be very hard to build, and harder to understand.

Therefore, it would be more reasonable to fully implement recursion in Java for CSP processes, than using the \texttt{while} loop. In Section 5.5, we give a in-depth discussion of this problem, as well as the solution.

The discussion in Section 5.1.1 and Section 5.1.2 shows that the channel classes in the old JCSP package (before 1.0rc6) are not capable to smoothly implement the B+CSP event. To deal with these limitations, we construct a new Java package, JCSProB, to implement the B+CSP semantics and concurrency.

5.2 An Overview of the JCSProB Package

The JCSProB package implements the B+CSP semantics in Java. It includes three sub-packages:

- The \texttt{jcsprob.lang} package includes the implementation of B+CSP specification.
- The \texttt{jcsprob.gui} package includes the Java interfaces and classes for constructing the GUI program.
The `jcsprob.msg` package includes the implementation of the communication between the JCSProB process objects and the GUI program.

Some of the JCSProB classes inherit JCSP interfaces or classes, e.g. the process class `BCSProcess` implements the `CSProcess`, and many JCSP interfaces and classes can be directly used in a Java program together with JCSProB. Apart from that, a number of new event interfaces and classes are developed to implement the semantics of the B+CSP event. Table 5.2 shows the correspondence between the B+CSP model and its Java implementation in JCSP and JCSProB.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>B+CSP</th>
<th>JCSP/JCSProB</th>
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<tr>
<td>Combined B+CSP event: including functions of synchronization, data transitions, and data input/output</td>
<td>JCSProB event interfaces and classes</td>
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<td>Point-to-point communication channels</td>
<td>JCSP communication channel classes</td>
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<tr>
<td>Guarded external choice with multi-way synchronization for B+CSP events</td>
<td>Alter class</td>
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<td>Guarded external choice of CSP/occam-pi communication channels</td>
<td>Alternative class of JCSP</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B+CSP process, and the recursion</td>
<td>JCSProB thread and process classes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Process compositions of B+CSP, e.g. parallel and sequential composition</td>
<td>JCSProB process composition classes</td>
</tr>
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Table 5.2: The Java Implementation of B+CSP model

There implementations of B+CSP event in JCSProB is a pure Java approach. This implementation was designed and developed before the recently published JCSP package with `AltingBarrier` and rendezvous. It includes a number of event interfaces and classes which are constructed without using any JCSP. All the semantics on the B+CSP event, such multi-way synchronization, are directly implemented in Java language. In Section 5.3, we demonstrate the structure of the event interfaces and classes. Then we continue with a solution for multi-way synchronization in Section 5.4.

As the process class `BCSProcess` is an abstract class which implements the `CSProcess` interface of JCSP, JCSP channel objects can also be used in an `BCSProcess` object. That means the `BCSProcess` can use JCSP channels and JCSProB events at the same time. The only problem is that external choice function for the B+CSP event classes is implemented in a new class `Alter`, which is different from the `Alternative` class of JCSP. Therefore, we cannot support a model which has JCSP channel classes and JCSProB event classes of the pure Java implementation as the first events of external choice paths at the same time. For example, if `ev` is a combined B+CSP event and `ch` is a pure CSP communication channel, the following CSP process $P$ cannot be implemented with JCSProB event classes:

$$P = ch \rightarrow P \sqcap ev \rightarrow P$$
In the B+CSP semantics, a B machine is regarded as a special process which maintains the system state. The combined B+CSP events update the state variables and change the system state. The data transitions inside a B+CSP event need to be atomic, which means they cannot be interrupted by data transitions from other events. Therefore, although all the events are on offer in parallel, only one of them at a time can progress and its execution cannot be interrupted. Also, a B machine defines a number of invariants on the state variables. Any violation of these invariants brings the system into an unsafe state. Although on most occasions, the invariants are used for proving abstract models, it would be very useful if the Java implementation can check them at runtime. In Section 5.6, the implementations of the functions concerning system state, e.g. atomic access and the invariant check, are presented.

With the classes mentioned above, a B+CSP model can be translated into a Java program. However, the generated program just runs alone by itself and cannot be controlled. One important target for this work is using the generated Java programs to produce various traces, and comparing the traces with the traces in the B+CSP model. To control the execution of generated Java programs, a GUI interface is developed for the target Java program. Users can setup a configuration file to provide additional information for the Java program, and can use the GUI interface to control the execution of underlying JCSProB processes. Finally, in section 5.7, we demonstrate how the GUI program is constructed, and the communication protocol between GUI program and underlying Java programs.

5.3 B+CSP Event Classes

The implementation of semantics of the combined B+CSP event includes a series of Java interfaces and classes.

One basic Java interface is BCSPGuard, which declares several methods used for implementing guarded external choice. All event classes need to implement this interface and its methods. In Section 5.4.3, implementations of this interface is discussed in detail.

An abstract PCChannel class provides a method for setting the number of synchronizing processes on the event(similar to the way to set enrolled process number of JCSP barrier), and some other methods for basic event functions. This class is inherited by all event classes, including two direct subclasses: CCChannel and ICChannel. Both of them implement external choice, precondition check and synchronization for the combined event. The difference is that the CCChannel class is designed for implementing events without input data, while the ICChannel implements events with input data.

The CCChannel class has two subclasses CChannel and OutCChannel, and the ICChannel class has two subclasses InCChannel and OutInCChannel. The four new classes
implement ready calls for different input/output combinations. The \textit{OutCChannel} and \textit{OutInCChannel} classes also provide methods for producing output data for events. With the four basic event classes, users can construct implementations for combined B+CSP events.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Classes</th>
<th>Input Data</th>
<th>Output Data</th>
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<tr>
<td>CChannel</td>
<td>no</td>
<td>no</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>InCChannel</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>no</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OutCChannel</td>
<td>no</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OutInCChannel</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
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Table 5.3: Basic event classes and their input/output types

To construct an event class for a combined B+CSP event, the first thing is to choose a basic event class from the four according to the input/output type of the event. The implementation class would inherit the chosen basic event class, and implement or extend some methods of it. The \textit{run} method must be implemented by the implementation class with the data transitions of the B part of the combined event. If the combined event has input data, the implementation class needs to implement the \textit{assign\_input} method for assigning input data with input variables of the event. If the event has output data, the implementation class needs to implements the \textit{make\_output} method for make a Java vector, which contains all the output data. Furthermore, if the event has a precondition on it, the precondition needs to be implemented using Java conditional statements, and put in the \textit{preConditionCheck} method.

5.4 Implementing Multi-way Synchronization with Choice

In Section 3.3.1 and Section 5.1.1, we addressed the problem of multi-way synchronization in JCSP. In this section, we discuss the difficulties in implementing multi-way synchronization, and give our solution for this.

5.4.1 The Difficulty in Implementation

Normally, without considering external choice, when a process calls an event, no matter whether the event is ready, it commits to the progress of this event, and cannot withdraw its call. For an event with more than one process synchronizing on it, a calling process would block when the whole set of processes is not ready. For example, a philosophy process \textsc{Phil} synchronizes with a fork process \textsc{Fork} on events \textit{picksup} and \textit{putdown}.

\[
\text{MAIN} = \text{PHIL} \text{[([picksup,putdown])]} \text{FORK} \\
\text{PHIL} = \text{picksup} \rightarrow \text{eats} \rightarrow \text{putdown} \rightarrow \text{thinks} \rightarrow \text{PHIL} \\
\text{FORK} = \text{picksup} \rightarrow \text{putdown} \rightarrow \text{FORK}
\]
When process PHIL calls the event picksup, it commits to the progress of this event and cannot withdraw its call. When both PHIL and FORK processes are ready, the event can progress.

For guarded external choice, only one process path is selected from all the paths. The external choice structure makes non-commit calls to first events of all the process paths, and the decision is only made among the paths whose first events are ready to progress. When evaluating the first event of a choice path, although the current process is ready to progress the event, it does not commit to it. A process can withdraw its ready call on an event even after it previously became ready for the event. After the decision is made, the process would commit to progress the selected event, and would not go for first events of all the unselected paths.

Furthermore, when an event has more than one process synchronizing on it, and it is used in external choice, the situation is more complex. The choice decision on one event in a process would affect the decisions on that event in other processes.

- If an event is selected by one process, it must make sure that all the other processes which synchronize on this event also know the decision and select the event.
- If a process withdraws from an event, it must make sure that the other processes which synchronize on this event are aware of the change and cannot select this event after it withdrew.

Figure 5.1 shows a version of the classical dining philosophers model that demonstrates this situation.

![Figure 5.1: The Dining Philosophers Example](image)

There are five philosophers in this story. They are sitting around a table, and there are five forks, each placed between two neighbouring philosophers. A philosopher may only eat when he holds two forks from both left and right sides. When a philosopher is ready to pick up a fork, he has to make a decision on which fork he would pick if the forks from both sides are ready. A fork can also be picked up by either its left or its right
side philosopher. A picksup<em>i</em>.<em>j</em> event is synchronized by a PHIL process <em>i</em> and a FORK process <em>j</em>. When process PHIL(1) is ready to pick up a fork, and both FORK(1) and FORK(0) are ready to be picked, that makes both of the two events picksup.1.1 and picksup.1.0 ready to progress. However, event picksup.1.1 is not only in the external choice of process PHIL(1), but also in the process FORK(1). If one of the two processes, PHIL(1) or FORK(1), makes its decision, it must let the other process know the result. That means:

- If picksup.1.1 is selected, we must make sure both of the two processes, PHIL(1) and FORK(1), select picksup.1.1.
- If the process PHIL(1) selected picksup.1.0, not picksup.1.1, it must let process FORK(1) know that the process PHIL(1) has withdrawn from the event picksup.1.1, and the event is not ready anymore.

![Diagram](image)

**Figure 5.2:** The External Choice involving processes PHIL(1) and FORK(1)

Since the choice decisions in processes PHIL(1) and FORK(1) are produced separately in two parallel processes, it is not very easy to make the algorithm correct. If the decisions in the two processes are made independently, the two processes cannot know each others' decision. If PHIL(1) selects the event picksup1.1, it cannot make sure that FORK(1) also selects the event, which does not make sense as the progressing of an event means that all the synchronizing processes should commit to it. To avoid this problem, when making choice decision, a process must consider the decisions on other processes which synchronize on the event selected by the current process. And when the decision on this process is made, it should also let all the related processes know the result. However, the order of the decisions is important as well. As the processes are
running in parallel, it is still possible that \texttt{PHIL(1)} chooses the event \texttt{picksup.1.1}, while at the same time \texttt{FORK(1)} decides to go \texttt{picksup.2.1}, which leaves the event \texttt{picksup.1.1} not ready. Figure 5.3 shows such a kind of situation.

![Figure 5.3: PHIL(1) commits to an unready event picksup.1.1](image)

### 5.4.2 Existing Solutions on Implementing External Choice

In classical \textit{occam} and JCSP (1.0rc5), only the channel input can be used for external choice. The point-to-point communication channel only involves two parties (readers and writers), which means the channel output is not considered when making the choice. A process first informs the input channels of all the choice paths that it is ready for the synchronization. When the input guard of a channel is ready, the channel is regarded as a ready channel for selection, no matter whether the process on the output end of the channel is ready or not. Also, only the input end of the channel can withdraw the previous offer to the channel. As the implementation of external choice here only considers one end of the channel, a choice decision in one process would not affect the decisions in other processes. This constraint makes the implementation of external choice easy and fast, but as output guard and multi-way synchronization channel cannot be used for external choice, this restricts the concurrency models that can be expressed.

In [McE06], a two-phase commit protocol is introduced. The protocol only uses the point-to-point communication channels to construct a multi-way synchronizing channel, and only uses input guards of the channels in external choice. Figure 5.4 demonstrates the state machine of resolving external choice with multi-way synchronization. An external choice has \( m \) paths, and a client \( P_i \) represents a process, which makes withdrawable call on the multi-way synchronizing event \( e_i \) of a path \( i (i \in 1 \ldots m) \). At the initial state \( S_1 \), the client uses the \textit{offer} message to indicate that it is ready for the execution of event \( e \). Once the offer has been made, in state \( S_2 \), \( P_i \) can either be interrupted by an event \textit{interrupt} (by the selection of other paths), or commit to the synchronization. If the event \textit{interrupt} occurs, which means the process will not select this path any more, the \textit{withdraw} event withdraws its previous offer. Otherwise, when the client commit to the synchronization, it can either do the synchronization if the synchronization check of event \( e \) is ready, or release from its commitment.
In the implementation, two one-to-one communication channels are employed between a client and the event \( e \) to implement this protocol, and only the channel input ends of the two channels are used in external choice. Although the two-phase commit protocol is a correct implementation of the external choice with multi-way synchronization, the cost of this solution can be heavy and unpredictable. As all the participating clients \( P_i \) of the event \( e \) are running in parallel, it is possible that each client keeps choosing to commit to an event, while the other participating clients have withdrawn. Even if this worst case does not happen, the cost for computing this algorithm may be significant.

In [WBP06], a new algorithm is developed to resolve external choice with multi-way synchronization. It is a fast implementation which is not a two-phase commit. Currently, this solution needs shared memory, and is supported only for a single JVM. This algorithm is used to implemented external choice for \textit{AltingBarrier} [WBM+07].

### 5.4.3 A Solution of Multi-way Synchronization

We argue that the parallel order of making the choice decisions on multiple parallel processes is the main problem to bring the overload. When a process is making a choice decision on an event, a choice decision on another process may change the synchronization state of this event. Although the two-phase commit protocol can prevent the parallel choice decisions from going wrong, the parallel recursive commit/release (or offer/withdraw) actions are not the fast and simplest way to do it. If we can keep a section of code which makes the choice decision atomic, and do not allow decisions on other processes to interrupt it, we can easily prevent a lot of extra overload discussed above. That also implies that the choice decisions in this code section are in a sequential order, instead of a parallel order. In [Bag87, Bag89], such a kind of algorithm has been developed. Our implementation uses a very similar algorithm to [Bag89].

The implementation of multi-way synchronization guards in JCSProB has an exclusive lock for every B machine. All the processes in a B+CSP model need to compete with each other to get the lock, before they can start evaluating synchronization guards.

![Figure 5.4: The state machine of a client \( P_i \)](image-url)
and making choice decision. This lock mechanism forces the choice decisions on a single machine to be atomic and in sequential order. Therefore, it can avoid the cost of parallel commit-release actions in the two-phase commit protocol.

The algorithm consists two parties: a set of processes $P$ and a set of event $E$. The process set $P$ consists a number of parallel processes, which are marked from $p_1$ to $p_N$.

$$P = p_1 \parallel p_2 \parallel \ldots \parallel p_N$$

Such a process $p_i$ ($i \in 1..N$) may have a $M$-paths external choice structure. The first events of all these $M$ paths in this external choice are grouped into an event set $E$, and these events are marked from $e_1$ to $e_M$. For a path $j$ ($j \in 1..M$), the choice is resolved on the first event $e_j$. After the process performed event $e_j$, it would further progress as the process $res_j$.

$$p_i = e_1 \rightarrow res_1 \square e_2 \rightarrow res_2 \square \ldots \square e_M \rightarrow res_M$$

Figure 5.5, from the view of a process $p_i$, briefly illustrates the work flow on dealing with an external choice consisting three paths ($M = 3$). From the initial state $S_i$, the process first uses the ready message to make the first-phase commit calls on all the events in $E$. The first commitment just increases the event counter, which indicate if the event is ready to progress. Then it cyclically tests these events and looks for a choice decision. The cycle would eventually terminate after all the involved processes start to commit to the events. This will be discussed later in this section. At each state $S_j$ ($j \in 1..M$), a series of checking steps are applied to test if the event $e_j$ is ready. These checking steps are discussed later with Figure 5.6. If the event $e_j$ is ready, it is selected with message select($e_j$). Then the $p_i$ system reaches its end state $S_e$, and the external choice is resolved. Otherwise, the next event $e_{j\%M+1}$ will be tested.

![Figure 5.5: The state machine a process $p_i$ with three choice paths](image-url)
The checking steps mentioned in the last paragraph checks the synchronization status of an event $e_j$. Figure 5.6 shows how such a checking works on an event $e_j$. From the view of an event $e_j$, the process $p_i$ represents one of those client processes which synchronize on it. The states $C_1$ to $C_6$ here represent the internal states of a state $S_j \ (j \in 1..M)$ in Figure 5.5. States $C_t$ and $C_s$ and both represent the terminal state $S_e$ in Figure 5.5, where a resolution has been reached. At the state $C_s$, the external choice is resolved by selecting the event $e_j$, whereas at $C_t$, a different event $e_k$, other than $e_j$ is selected as the result. The state $C_a$ represents the state where no resolution has been reached during the checking.

Previously, the ready message informs the event $e_j$ that the process is ready for the synchronization. The global lock is a key unit for this algorithm. The first commitment ready message does not need to obtain the lock before it can make the commitment. But for the second commitment, before actually calling the event $e_j$, the client needs to obtain the exclusive lock first using the getLock message. After the call is finished, no matter whether the event progresses or not, the client needs to unlock the lock. This means the shadow region in Figure 5.6 is an exclusive section, and at a time, only one such section can progress.

At state $C_2$, the client can either be informed for the choice decision and directly go to terminal states ($C_s$ or $C_t$), or try to make the second-phase commitment to the event $e_j$:

- The event interrupt1 informs the client that the synchronization of the event $e_j$ was satisfied, and selected by one of the other involved processes. The event $e_j$ has progressed, and this client $p_i$ has been withdrawn from all the events in the external choice. So the current process would go to state $C_s$, and performs as res$_j$.

- The event interrupt2 informs the client that a different event $e_k \ (k \in 1..M, k! \neq j)$ in this M-paths external choice, was selected by another process. The event $e_k$ has progressed, and this client has been withdrawn from all the events in the external choice. So the current process would go to state $C_t$, and performs as res$_k$.

- When no interruption messages has been received, the client tries to make the second-phase commitment call to $e_j$.

Before make the second-phase commitment, the client first needs to check if the synchronization status of $e_j$ is ready at state $C_3$. This check performs as a method call on the event. The event would check if the synchronization counter has reached its capacity and if the precondition on the event is satisfied. Only when both conditions are satisfied, the event would return a true value to the client. If yes, the client would finally select the event as the result of the external choice. Otherwise, the client releases the lock, and reaches the state $C_a$, where no resolution has yet been reached. The exit
from \( C_a \) represents state transitions in from one checking state \( S_j \) to a new checking state \( S_{j,M+1} \) in Figure 5.5. It lets the alternative paths in the external choice structure to progress.

After the event \( e_j \) is selected, as all the other candidate events in \( E \) cannot be selected in this choice, the process \( p_i \) should withdraw itself from these events. The \( \text{ack} \) message is received from the event, which is discussed in next paragraph. Between the \( \text{select} \) and \( \text{ack} \) messages, the event also informs other clients, which synchronize on event \( e_j \), about the choice decision.

A multi-way synchronizing event is an important unit in this algorithm. In JCSProB, the combined B+CSP event is implemented more like a special process, than a communication channel. It maintains the commitment records of all involved processes by receiving commitment messages from them.

The process set on an event \( e \) is \( Q_e \). The event reacts to the commitment calls from external choice clients. Figure 5.7 shows how an event \( e \) reacts to commitment messages. After the event receives the first-phase commit call (\( \text{ready} \) message) from a client \( q \) \( (q \in Q_e) \), it increase the synchronization barrier by 1. After that, it checks the barrier to see if all the synchronizing processes in \( Q_e \) are ready. If the result is yes, the event is selected and finally committed. Then the decision on the event \( e \) needs to be broadcast to all the other processes \( (Q_e - q) \). The broadcast will not race with broadcasts from other events as at the time of broadcasting, the exclusive lock is hold by the client who interacts with the current event. The \( \text{inform} \) message sent to those processes would cause \( \text{interrupt1} \) or \( \text{interrupt2} \) actions in them. After broadcasting the selection, the
event moves on to processing the communication or data transitions inside the event \( e \), and then resets the synchronization barrier. Finally, it sends an acknowledgement back to the calling client and waits for new commit calls.

![State machine diagram](image)

Figure 5.7: The state machine of an event \( E \) processing commitments

### 5.4.4 An Example: Dining Philosophers

In Section 5.4.1, we discussed guarded external choice and multi-way synchronization in the dining philosophers example of Figure 5.1, and the difficulties in resolving them together. Here we demonstrate how to employ our solution to resolve the external choice in dining philosophers, and how it can avoid the erroneous situation showed in Figure 5.3.

The process \( \textsc{Fork}(1) \) consists of two possible paths. The events \( \text{picksup}.1.1 \) and \( \text{picksup}.2.1 \) are the first events on the two paths. \( \textsc{Fork}(1) \) needs to synchronize with \( \textsc{Phil}(1) \) on \( \text{picksup}.1.1 \), or synchronized with process \( \textsc{Phil}(2) \) on \( \text{picksup}.2.1 \). The process \( \textsc{Fork}(1) \) first makes the first commitment calls, the \textit{ready} messages, to both of the two events. If the two \( \text{Phil} \) processes, \( \text{Phil}(1) \) and \( \text{Phil}(2) \), also made the \textit{ready} calls on the two events, that makes the synchronization status of the two events both \textit{ready}. Figure 5.8 shows the \textit{ready} calls on the two events.

After that, as we showed in Figure 5.5, a process would try to recursively check the synchronization states of all the candidate events. Before it can start the checking, it needs to obtain the exclusive lock first. Figure 5.9 demonstrates that \( \textsc{Phil}(1) \) starts with requiring the lock for checking \( \text{picksup}.1.1 \), while at the same time, \( \textsc{Fork}(1) \) tries to get the lock for checking \( \text{picksup}.2.1 \). The two \textit{getLock} actions compete with each other, and in this occasion, the \( \textsc{Phil}(1) \) gets the lock.
From Figure 5.6, we know that after getting the lock, a process would start to check the synchronization status of the event. In this example, as the \textit{picksup.1.1} is ready for synchronization, the checking succeed, and \textit{picksup.1.1} is selected as the solution for this external choice. The first two steps in Figure 5.10 illustrate this action.

Also in Figure 5.6, after the choice decision has been made, the process client withdraws its first commitment on other candidate events. Therefore, the \textit{PHIL(1)} process here withdraw itself from \textit{picksup.1.0}. At the same time, the event unit informs other client processes about the choice decision. Such an action would later cause an interrupt message in these processes. After the third step in Figure 5.10 finished, both \textit{PHIL(1)} and \textit{FORK(1)} are aware of the choice decision. Then finally, the selected event \textit{picksup.1.1} can progress, and for a combined B+CSP event, this means the data changes inside the event can be processed now.

When the execution of the event is accomplished, the event withdraws all the client processes on it through the withdraw($Q_e, e$) messages. In Figure 5.11, the \textit{picksup.1.1} event withdraws commitments from the \textit{FORK(1)} and \textit{PHIL(1)} processes. Then there is an internal synchronizing step, in which the event sends an acknowledgement back to the calling process. After received the acknowledgement, the process \textit{PHIL(1)} releases the exclusive lock.
When the \textit{FORK(1)} process obtains the lock later, the \textit{interrupt} message informs the process about the choice decision, and that leads the process to withdraw its commitment to other events. In Figure 5.12, \textit{FORK(1)} withdraws its first commitment to event \textit{picksup.2.1}, and continues to perform as alone the choice path led by \textit{picksup.1.1}.

Finally, the system enters a state showed in Figure 5.13. Both \textit{FORK(1)} and \textit{PHIL(1)} agree to select the path led by \textit{picksup.1.1}, and both of them withdrew their first commitment calls on other candidate events.

The lock mechanism prevents the situation showed in Figure 5.3 to happen. It puts the \textit{FORK(1)} process waiting while \textit{PHIL(1)} are checking on event \textit{picksup.1.1}. When the choice decision comes out, \textit{PHIL(1)} is also aware of that. Therefore, it cannot select \textit{picksup.2.1}, as \textit{PHIL(1)} decided to take \textit{picksup.1.1}. Also, comparing with the two-phase commit protocol, there could only be one commit-withdraw action in this algorithm, and at a time, there is only one second-commit action can progress. There cannot be a situation that multiple processes keep on committing and releasing, but never get a result.

\begin{figure}[h]
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\includegraphics[width=\textwidth]{image1.png}
\caption{The dining philosophers: \textit{picksup.1.1} is selected and progress}
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\begin{figure}[h]
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\includegraphics[width=\textwidth]{image2.png}
\caption{The dining philosophers: withdraw and unlock}
\end{figure}
However, a limitation for this algorithm is that it can only be applied on a single memory, and cannot be directly applied on distributed systems. In [WBM+07], similar restriction is placed on the AltingBarrier of JCSP. Both algorithms try to make sure there is no redundant commit-withdraw action, which means all the decisions of the final commitment must be made in a sequential order. To ensure this, there has to be a global facility, such as a lock, which can be accessed by all the clients. The implementation on a distributed environment needs an exclusive token to be passed through all the subsystems to make sure all the decisions lie in a sequential order.

A part of Java code, which includes several major classes in this example, is presented in Section B.2.

5.5 Process Classes: Thread, Process Calls and Recursion

In Section 5.1.2, we briefly discussed the differences between the management of recursion in JCSP/occam-π and CSP. CSP (through Java) and occam-π allow recursion in their processes, so any CSP recursive expressions could be directly implemented. However, unbounded recursion will lead to memory overflow. Hence, tail recursion in CSP
(which is very common) is always expressed through (WHILE) loops, which cause no memory problems. More complex recursions require more complex transformation if they are to be made memory safe.

5.5.1 Calling a Process in JCSP

In occam and occam-π, it is not possible for a named process to call a new named process or even a new instance of itself in the way that CSP can. Conventionally, JCSP translates the WHILE statement of occam-π into a Java while statement. The loop steps in a recursion take place in a single JCSP process object, without introducing any new process objects. For example, a CSP process

\[ P = a\Rightarrow x \rightarrow b\Rightarrow x \rightarrow P \]

would be translated into a JCSP process class as:

```java
class P implements CSProcess{
    ......
    void run(){
        while(true){
            x = a.read();
            b.write(x);
        }
    }
    ......
}
```

To support more general CSP recursions and process calls, an existing JCSP process should be able to call a new process object. This requires the existing process object to declare a new process object and call the run method of it.

```java
class P implements CSProcess{
    ......
    void run(){
        x = a.read();
        b.write(x);
        new P(a,b).run();
    }
    ......
}
```
However, it is very dangerous to do this in JCSP, because the old process object cannot be released while the new process object is running. Figure 5.14 demonstrates the call on a new process object $P'$ from the existing JCSP process object $P$. The new process object $P'$ runs in the same Java thread $thr$ as the existing process object $P$, which would not release until the new process object complete. Recursively doing that may cause a Java error, as JDK has a limitation on the number of objects. If new process objects are recursively produced in this way, it would generate too many process objects without releasing them. Eventually, this would arose the Java error `StackOverflowError`! Therefore, we cannot directly use the current JCSP process mechanism to implement the recursion and process calls in CSP. In CSP, when the process $P$ called a new process $P'$, the process should continue to perform as the process $P'$, and the system would have no further concern with the existing process instance $P$. In the Java implementation, it means that after calling the new process object, the existing process object should be able to release itself to Java garbage collection, and the Java thread would perform as the new process object. At a time, there should be only one process object running. As the `CSProcess` interface does not provide this function, we need to implement it in the JCSPoB package.

5.5.2 Multi-threading in JCSP

Direct tail recursion in CSP is handled in JCSP through `WHILE` loops. If the process being invoked at the tail of an equation branch is not the process being defined, indirect mutual tail recursion may be happening – for example, the Lift system in Figure 4.4. Implementing such equations directly using Java recursion and JCSP will lead to stack overflow. Transforming out the mutual recursion to leave a direct tail recursion (implementable through a loop) will distort the expression of the process and may lead to
errors and maintenance problems. Here, we consider two ways to implement mutual tail recursion directly and with no memory problems.

- The first way is to allow replacing the caller process object $P$ with the callee process object $P'$ in the same Java thread container. There is a synchronization barrier in a thread which is used for inform the environment about the termination of this thread.

- The second way is to create a new thread container $T'$ for the new callee process object $P'$. The caller process object $P$ and its container thread $T$ terminate after the new thread starts. There is also a synchronization barrier in every thread container. If the current process creates no new process, the thread container calls the barrier when it terminates. Otherwise, to keep the new thread $T'$ reachable for the environment, the synchronization barrier in $T$ should be passed to $T'$.

In JCSP, the ProcessManager class, which provides a new thread container, implements this second solution already. The ProcessManager creates a new thread container to run a new process. The user needs to call the start method to run a ProcessManager.

In our implementation, we employ the first solution because it creates fewer objects and is less complex in implementation. To implement each of the two solutions, we need to have the access of the multi-threading mechanism in JCSP to make the change. However, this is not so easy to achieve.

As JCSP targets producing concurrent Java programs, it makes use of the Java multi-threading architecture. JCSP package has a thread class ParThread for running JCSP process objects. The ParThread class only appears in the Parallel class, which implements the parallel composition of processes. Process classes, and other processes composition classes, cannot affect the behaviour of their container threads, which means the idea of replacing the caller process object with the callee process object in a thread cannot be supported under the current multi-threading architecture of JCSP. Furthermore, not all processes are running in instances of the ParThread class. The core process of a JCSP program runs in the main Java thread of this program. A direct and easy solution for implementing the switch between the caller and callee processes is to extend the ParThread class and implement the existing CSPProcess interface with the function of processes switching inside a thread. This solution would allow us to continue using the process composition classes provided by JCSP.

However, as the multi-threading of JCSP is not designed to implement the CSP process, it is not possible to reuse this threading facility to implement the CSP process. The ParThread class is a package-private class of the JCSP package. It is not allowed to be accessed from the outside of this package. Although JCSP is an open source package, it is not feasible to change the existing access control of it. Furthermore, the idea of
replacing the caller process object with the callee process object in a thread also cannot be support by processes composition classes in JCSP, e.g. *Parallel* and *Sequence*. The *Parallel* class is the only class in JCSP which explicitly use the *ParThread* class. For a parallel composition in a process $P$ which includes $N$ processes, the *Parallel* class generates $N-1$ new *ParThread* threads. It runs the first $N-1$ processes in the $N-1$ new threads, and uses the container thread of the current process to run the last process $P_N$. All the threads in a *Parallel* composition share a common barrier. When a thread finishes the run of the process object it contains, it calls the barrier for synchronization. After all the threads and the process in the container thread synchronized on the barrier, the parallel composition finishes. Figure 5.15 shows a parallel composition with three participating JCSP processes.

![Figure 5.15: Parallel composition in JCSP](image)

If the last process object $P_N$ in the parallel composition calls a new process object $P_X$, it is not correct to use $P_X$ to replace the current process in the thread, because the actual process running in the thread is $P$, not $P_N$. If $P_X$ replaced $P$ in the thread, we would lose all the information about $P$, which hasn’t finished yet. Especially, as the barrier and the parallel composition are defined in process $P$, the barrier synchronization of between the parallel processes would also gone, which would leave the runs of the parallel threads/processes uncontrollable.

Similar problem also can be found in the sequential composition class *Sequence*. The *Sequence* class does not directly access the *ParThread* class. A sequential composition in a process $P$ runs the participating composition processes one by one inside itself. Figure 5.16 shows a sequential composition including three participating processes. If one of these processes calls a new process object $P_X$, it is also dangerous to use $P_X$ to replace the existing process $P$ in the thread.

Accordingly, the multi-threading architecture in JCSP does not support the idea of process switching, and the processes composition implementations in JCSP, e.g. *Parallel* and *Sequence*, cannot adopt to the idea either. Therefore, in order to implement the CSP process with processes switching in Java threads, we need to build new thread and
process classes, as well as the processes composition facilities. In Section 5.5.3, new implementations of the thread and process classes are proposed, and in Section 5.5.4, the parallel and sequential composition classes using the new thread and process classes are discussed.

5.5.3 Implementations of the CSP Process in JCSProB

The implementation of the CSP process in JCSProB consists of two parts: an abstract process class \textit{BCSProcess} which implements the \textit{CSProcess} interface of JCSP, and a thread class \textit{RecurThread} which is the thread container for the new process class.

In the JCSProB implementation of the CSP process, every process object needs to run in its own thread container, which is an instance of the \textit{RecurThread} class. Even for the core process, the Java program needs to produce an extra thread to run it. The \textit{RecurThread} class consists of two fields: one is the \textit{BCSProcess} process object which runs in it, and the other is a JCSP \textit{Barrier} object which needs to synchronize before the thread terminates. Figure 5.17 demonstrates the state machine of a \textit{RecurThread} instance. The constructor of the class passes a barrier object and a process object to initialize a thread object. When the thread starts running, it calls the \textit{run} method of the process object. The run of the process object may produce a new process object. If there is a new process object, the thread gets the new process and runs it. At the same time, the previous process object is released to Java garbage collection. If there is no new process object, the process terminates, and the thread object synchronizes on the barrier before it finally finishes its run.

The abstract process class \textit{BCSProcess} has the function of communicating with its thread container on the new process it has created. When a process object calls a new process object, it does not directly run the new process. Instead, it passes the new process object to the thread container. When the run of the current process is finished, the thread container would checks whether it has produced a new process object.

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\includegraphics[width=0.5\textwidth]{sequential_composition.png}
\caption{Sequential composition in JCSP}
\end{figure}
This new implementation of processes allows a process to call a new process, and safely release itself after the call. Also, as the new process class is an extension of the JCSP process interface, it can continue working with many JCSP classes, e.g. channel classes, except the processes composition facilities. In implementation, the \textit{BCSProcess} class provides a new \textit{callNextProc} method for its implementation classes. What the user need to do is creating a new process object and using it as a parameter to call the \textit{callNextProc} method. When the current process terminates, the thread container can get the new process object and run it. Therefore, the example in Section 5.5.1 is implemented in JCSP as:

```java
class P implements BCSProcess {
    ......
    void run() {
        x = a.read();
        b.write(x);
        callNextProc(new P(a,b));
    }
    ......
}
```

### 5.5.4 Sequential and Parallel Composition in JCSP

The new thread class \textit{RecurThread} provides a fundamental thread implementation for the B+CSP process. As the multi-threading mechanism in JCSP does not support this new implemented thread, we need to build a new one for JCSP. Process composition functions, such as parallel composition and sequential composition, are re-implemented for JCSP processes and threads.

The parallel processes composition of B+CSP is implemented in the \textit{CSPParallel} class. For a parallel composition consisting \textit{N} processes, the \textit{CSPParallel} object generates \textit{N} new thread objects of the \textit{RecurThread} class to run all the \textit{N} processes. All the new \textit{N} threads, and the current thread running the parallel composition, share a barrier whose counter is set to \textit{N}+1. When all the threads terminate, the parallel composition structure completes its run. Figure 5.18 illustrates a parallel composition of three processes.

![Figure 5.17: The state of the RecurThread class](image)
This new implementation of parallel composition allows the process objects in all the parallel threads to be replaced by new process objects, this bypassing the problems of the Parallel class of JCSP.

![Parallel composition in JCSProB](image)

The new implementation of sequential composition introduces threads, while the JCSP implementation of it does not create new threads. For every participating process object in a sequential composition, a new thread container is produced. Every thread container shares an unique barrier with the core process. Only after a thread terminates and is synchronized on its barrier, is a new thread started by the composition object. In this way, the participating processes progress one by one, and the process replacing mechanism in the thread class can be used without collision. Figure 5.19 shows a sequential composition object of JCSP with three participating processes.

![Sequential composition in JCSProB](image)

The new thread class RecurThread and abstract process class BCSProcess provide an implementation of the CSP process, while the original JCSP process implementation is more close to the semantics of occam-π processes. The new process implementation BCSProcess provides a method for calling a new process in an existing process, and supports more flexible recursion structures. Together, the two classes implement the CSP process and its recursion semantics. The process composition classes implements the multi-threading mechanism for the implementation of the CSP process.
Comparing the cost of this solution with the \textit{ProcessManager} class of JCSP, the two solutions produce extra cost on different situations. The JCSP\textsc{proB} solution produces one extra thread container and one extra barrier object for each sequential composition. If the child process does not have recursion, the extra thread container is actually unnecessary. In JCSP, all child processes of a sequential composition just run in the same thread container. The JCSP solution (\textit{ProcessManager}) produces one extra thread container and one extra barrier object at every step of a recursion. If there are more sequential composition in the system, using \textit{ProcessManager} would be more efficient; while if process calls and recursions are more frequently used, the JCSP\textsc{proB} solution would produce less cost. In Section 8.2.5, we will discuss a possible solution to reduce the cost of JCSP\textsc{proB}.

### 5.6 The State Variable Class

In the B-method, the data transitions of a B operation must be kept atomic in order to preserve the consistency of the state model. The combined B+CSP model also has this requirement. The JCSP\textsc{proB} packages provides a \textit{JcspVar} class for implementing this feature in the Java implementation. It explicitly implements an exclusive lock to control the access to the B variables. Only one event object can have the lock at a time. This lock is also used for the implementation of multi-way synchronization and guarded external choice, which is discussed in Section 5.4.

In the implementation of combined B+CSP events, the call on the \textit{run} method of an event object is guarded by the lock. An event object needs to obtain the lock before it can call the \textit{run} method, and it is also required to release the lock after the \textit{run} method finishes.

When constructing a Java implementation from its formal specification, the \textit{JcspVar} class needs to be extended, and all the global B variables should be implemented in the new constructed class.

### 5.7 GUI

A Graphical User Interface package (\textit{org.dsse.jcsprob.gui}) is designed for concurrent Java programs constructed using the JCSP\textsc{proB} package. It is a sub-package of JCSP\textsc{proB}, and consists of a number of Java graphical components corresponding to JCSP\textsc{proB} events and processes. When developing a concurrent Java program using JCSP\textsc{proB}, users can build a graphical interface for the underlying Java program, and use the constructed GUI to control the execution of the Java program. It also provides runtime checking.
for invariants of B machines, as well as external programming interfaces for runtime assertion checking.

In [MK99], most Java examples are presented with GUI. However, those GUI programs are manually constructed. Although they are used to demonstrate the state models, there is no formal association between them. In [FC06], the automated translator for Circus generates Java programs with GUI. The GUI program simply presents all Circus channels as buttons. The system information presented for interaction is very limited.

5.7.1 Overview of a GUI Program

Figure 5.20 demonstrates the structure of a GUI program, which includes four major parts:

- The process end of the GUI programs.
- A GUI controller unit.
- Communication between the process end and the GUI controller.
- A standard GUI view of the B and CSP model.
- Configuration files.
- Runtime assertion checking interface.

The modules represented as blue squares are components from the GUI package. The items in light gray color, including the JCSProB program and the configuration files, can be derived from combined B+CSP models. The automated translation discussed in Section 6 provides the mechanism for generating JCSProB programs with the process
end of GUI, and the configuration files, which carry further information from the formal models.

The configuration files, composed in XML, contain various kinds of information, such as, a succinct version of the CSP specification, runtime assertions, and settings of visual components. Users are allowed to change some settings in the configuration file to control the GUI, while many other settings, which concern the expression of B and CSP models, are not allowed to be changed. The `configuration.xml` contains the information for communication messages between the GUI controller and the process end, and runtime checking assertions. Generally, communication messages in the configuration file are not allowed to be changed, unless the user wants to display his own message in the on-screen log module. For a combined model with the B machine name `machine`, a configuration file `machine.xml` is generated by the translator. It contains the CSP specification and default GUI settings on the CSP specification. Another configuration file is `machineGUI.xml`, which contains the setting for painting the GUI frame and panels.

To construct a GUI program from Java program using JCSProB, the JCSProB processes are encapsulated in the process end of GUI package. When a JCSProB process tries to perform certain activities, such as enabling a B+CSP event, making an external choice, or starting a number of parallel processes, it uses the process end of GUI to communicate with the GUI controller.

Communication protocols are two-way message passing communications between process end and the GUI controller. They are also implemented as a part of the GUI package (`org.dsse.jcsprob.gui.msg`). Each scenario of CSP process or event activities, for example calling an event, is associated with a certain communicating pattern, implemented both in the process end and the GUI controller. We use JCSP communication channels to implement the communication protocols. The detail of these communication protocols is discussed later in Section 5.7.2.

The GUI controller is the central unit of the GUI program as it communicates with all the other four components of the GUI program.

- The controller reads the configuration file, which contains the specification of CSP processes, and uses it as guidance for communicating with the process end. As the CSP specification used by the underlying JCSProB program and the GUI controller unit are from the same B+CSP model, it makes sure that the control unit uses the same communication pattern as the JCSProB program.
- The GUI controller communicates with the GUI view to allow the interaction with users. It sends information to the GUI view, and receives users commands and inputs data from it.
- The GUI controller also send out runtime record information to the runtime assertions checking module.
The GUI controller provides a number of interfaces for building GUI views. In the GUI package, we implemented a standard GUI view for all the processes and process operators. However, using the interface provided by the GUI controller, users can construct their own GUI views of processes and events.

The runtime assertion checking module can record runtime data about the Java program through GUI controller. Users can use the configuration file to indicate specific points where the records are needed, and what kind of information are needed in the records. With the runtime record information, the checking module can verify assertions upon the information. In the package, we provide checking for several kinds of assertions. Users can also add their own assertions and runtime checking programs using the provided checking interface. In Section 5.7.3, we discuss this function in detail.

With the support of GUI package, the JCSProB program can be regarded as an alternative animation tool for B+CSP models. As the users are allowed to develop their own GUI view, it is also possible to be used for implementation. Moreover, the runtime assertion checking module allow users to evaluate some properties of system models, especially the properties are not easy to specify using B or CSP, e.g. fairness.

5.7.2 The Development of Communication in GUI

The communication between the process end and the controller of GUI is implemented using JCSP communication channels. The two sides use communication channels to send and receive messages from each other. The messages sent between them are implemented in a sub-package (org.dsse.jcsprob.gui.msg) of the GUI package. Finally, we define the communication protocols upon the orders of communicating messages through communication channels. We developed different protocols for all the CSP semantics elements that we supported for the translation. In this section, we will demonstrate the protocol for an event call.

In a JCSProB program, when a process object tries to call a combined B and CSP event, it calls the ready method of the event object. The ready method may need some input data, and may produce some output data. To construct a GUI object to control the call, we need the GUI object to give permission for calling the ready method. That decision can either be made by GUI itself, or an user action on the GUI. Also, to help the user to make decision, the user should be informed about the input data before the call, and the output data afterwards. In the implementation, we use two one-to-one JCSP channels for communicating between the process end and the GUI: the configure channel is used to send messages from the process end to the GUI, while the control channel is used for the opposite direction.

Figure 5.21 shows a very abstract sequence diagram of the calling.
The process first sends a message including the input data \( IN \) to the GUI through the \textit{configure} channel. After that, an action \( X \), which can be an user action or an internal GUI action, enable the call of the event, and the GUI uses the \textit{control} channel to send the action message \( X \) back to the process end. Having received the message, the process would perform the call on the the event using the \textit{ready} method. When the synchronization on the event is satisfied, the \textit{run} method would be processed. So the event call requires the input data \( IN \), and produces output data \( OUT \). After the call finishes, it encapsulates the output data into a message \( OUT \), and send it back to the GUI through the \textit{configure} channel. The CSP specification of this communication model is:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{System} &= \text{Actor} \parallel \text{GUI} \parallel \text{Process(State)} \\
\text{Actor} &= \text{interaction}\|X \rightarrow \text{Actor} \\
\text{GUI} &= \text{configure}\|IN \rightarrow \text{interaction}\|X \rightarrow \text{control}\|X \rightarrow \text{configure}\|OUT \rightarrow \text{GUI} \\
\text{Process(IN)} &= \text{configure}\|IN \rightarrow \text{control}\|X \rightarrow \text{ready.IN.X}\|OUT \rightarrow \text{configure}\|OUT \rightarrow \text{Process(OUT)}
\end{align*}
\]

In the implementation of the process end of GUI, we provide an abstract \textit{BGProcess} class. It extends the \textit{BCSProcess} class, and provides a number of methods for implementing the communication to the GUI controller. For the event call, it provides \textit{channelCall} and \textit{channelRtn} methods for calling an event (\textit{channelRtn} for calls with output data). A call \texttt{ev.xx} on an event \texttt{ev} with input data \texttt{xx}, which was translated into \textit{JCSProB} without GUI support as:

\[
\texttt{ev.ch.ready(new Vector(Arrays.asList(xx)))} ;
\]

![Figure 5.21: The GUI communication of event call: level 0](image_url)
would be translated into a call with GUI control as:

\[
\text{channelCall}(ev, ch, new Vector(Arrays.asList(xx)));
\]

The communication with GUI is implemented and encapsulated inside the \textit{channelCall} method. Therefore, when we try to build a \textit{JCSProB} program with GUI support, instead of extending the \textit{BCSPProcess} class, all the process classes should extend the \textit{BGProcess} class. Also, when a process class performs process activities, such as calling events, parallel or sequence compositions, it should make use of corresponding methods provided by the \textit{BGProcess} class. As communications with GUI are well encapsulated inside these methods, a process class with GUI support, which is constructed using the \textit{BGProcess} class and its methods, can be built in a similar structure as the process classes without GUI support, and the Java code is as clean and straightforward as the latter one. The differences are only on syntax level.

However, apart from the process end, a GUI program is more complex than we illustrated in Figure 5.21. Two main parts of a GUI program is the GUI controller and the GUI view. As we aim to separate the implementation of communication protocol from the implementation of GUI views, giving freedom to the user to implement his own GUI component, we clearly separate the two parts. The GUI controller provides certain interfaces and implementation policies for constructing a GUI view module. Figure 5.22 demonstrates an updated version of event calling in the GUI, where the controller and the view of GUI are separated.

\begin{figure}[h]
\centering
\includegraphics[width=\textwidth]{fig5.22.png}
\caption{The GUI communication of event call: level 1}
\end{figure}

In the Java implementation of GUI, the GUI controller is implemented in an abstract Java class \textit{CtrlProc}. The \textit{CtrlProc} class provides a number of methods which implement
the communication protocol at the controller end. They communicate with corresponding methods in the BGProcess class. For example, for the event call method channelCall in BGProcess, which implements the process end of the communication protocol, the CtrlProc also provides a channelCall method, which implements the controller end. While the process end is driven by the method calling order in the run method of the process class, the controller end uses the CSP specification in configuration files to drive its progress. A call on an combined event ev is recorded in the automatically generated configuration file as:

```xml
<Channel>
    <ChName>ev_chclass</ChName>
    <IOType>InCChannel</IOType>
    <ChType>ChannelCall</ChType>
    <UserControl>false</UserControl>
    <Wait>200</Wait>
    <Record>false</Record>
    <LogInArgs>true</LogInArgs>
    <LogInArgsText>Args In</LogInArgsText>
    <LogOutArgs>true</LogOutArgs>
    <LogOutArgsText>Args Out</LogOutArgsText>
</Channel>
```

The XML file not only includes specifications of CSP processes, but also the configuration for driving the GUI. The `<IOType/>` element carries the information of input/output type of the event. InCChannel here means the ev_chclass event only has input data, and its Java class extends the InCChannel class. The `<UserControl/>` element contains the setting for user interaction on the event call. If it is true, user interaction is required for calling the event, otherwise the event is directly called by the GUI. In some cases, we may want the GUI to wait a while before it automatically calls an event. So the `<Wait/>` element contains the timing for calling the event. The channelCall method of the CtrlProc class receives the whole `<Channel/>` element as a parameter, and uses it to instruct the GUI controller and the GUI view.

The GUI view module of a process should be implemented as a subclass of CtrlProc. In the CtrlProc class, the channelCall method starts the GUI view of event calls by calling an abstract method createChRepr, which is regarded as an interface for the GUI view module. The GUI process class should implement this method in order to build GUI view of event calls. According to the sequential model, which can be used as an instruction for constructing the createChRepr method, the implementation of the method should:

1. Display the data of input variables, as well as a GUI component for user interaction
2. Capture the user interaction

3. Send the data input by the user interaction to the channel \textit{tmpCtrl}

4. Receive and display the data of output variables from the \textit{tmpConf} channel, and display it.

In our standard GUI view implementation, two labels are used to display the data of input and output variables, and a button is used for user interaction with the event name displaying on the button. To activate the call of an event, the user simply clicks the button. Figure 5.23 illustrates a standard GUI view for calling an event \textit{thinking!0}. The Input label here shows the value, 0, of the input argument. The GUI can display any kind of data through the default \textit{toString} method supported by all Java objects.

![Figure 5.23: The standard GUI view of an event call](image)

Also, the GUI controller is in charge of sending the runtime log to the log module, which is a component in the GUI frame to display runtime logs, and the runtime record to the assertion checking module. Therefore, we need to introduce the log module and record module in this model of event calls. Also, in the XML expression of the event call we used above, there are several settings, e.g. \texttt{<Record/>} and \texttt{LogInArgs}, for sending out log and record information. Figure 5.24 demonstrates the new sequence model of event calls with log and record.

The CSP specification for the final model of this GUI function for event calls would be:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{System} &= \text{Actor} \ || \ GUI \ || \ Process \\
&\quad || \ Record \ || \ Log \\
\text{Actor} &= \text{interact!}X \rightarrow \text{Actor} \\
\text{Process}(\text{In}) &= \text{createMsg!In?InMsg} \rightarrow \text{configure!InMsg} \rightarrow \text{control?X} \rightarrow \text{ready.In.X?Out} \\
&\quad \rightarrow \text{createMsg!Out?OutMsg} \rightarrow \text{configure!OutMsg} \rightarrow \text{Process(Out)} \\
\text{GUI} &= \text{configure?InMsg} \rightarrow \text{logOut!InMsg} \rightarrow \text{getMsg!InMsg?In} \\
&\quad \rightarrow \text{GUICtrler} \rightarrow \text{GUIRepr(In)} \\
&\quad \rightarrow \text{tmpCtrl}, \text{tmpConf})
\end{align*}
\]
If users want to implement their own GUI view for event calls, they should follow the CSP specification of the \texttt{GUIRepr(In)} process to implement the \texttt{createChRepr} method. One notable point in the \texttt{GUIRepr(In)} process is that we actually use two parallel processes to specify the GUI view: one to create and display the GUI component, and the other one to handle the interaction. We use a specific process to display the GUI component because a Java Swing component cannot be displayed properly if its thread blocks. In this case, if we only use a single process here, it would block on reading from the channel \texttt{tmpConf}.

Other process activities, such as parallel composition, external choice, and process calls, are implemented in the GUI package in very similar ways, but using different GUI components for interaction.

### 5.7.3 Runtime Assertion Checking

Generally, there are two kinds of properties for B+CSP models:
• **Known properties.** These properties, e.g. safety and deadlock, can be checked in the ProB tool for the B+CSP model. The test on the generated Java programs checks whether the verified properties are also preserved in the Java implementation. This provides a partial evidence for the correctness of the Java implementation strategy.

• **Unknown properties.** For other properties, e.g. fairness, which cannot be specified or verified in ProB, we provide alternative experimental methods to evaluate them in the Java programs at runtime. In these circumstances, the generated Java program runs as simulators for B+CSP models. It produces runtime traces, and experimentally verifies the properties on these traces.

ProB provides a mechanism for detecting deadlock in the state space. When the system reaches a state where no further operation can progress, it deadlocks. Stronger liveness properties, such as livelock-freeness and reachability, are difficult to detect in model checking, and are not supported by ProB. Fairness, which involves temporal logic, is an even more complex property for model checking. Many approaches [HOS+93, LMC01, TS99a] have been attempted for extending model checking of B or CSP specifications to temporal logics.

The runtime assertion checking module (RACM) in JCSProB is designed to check user-defined assertions on the JCSProB GUI programs. It receives runtime information from the GUI controller, and keeps a record of the information. Based on the record information, the user can define runtime checks user customized assertions.

All runtime records received by the RACM are stored in a sequential-order record log. Also, each of these records contains runtime information, such as process name, channel name, and variable values. The RACM dynamically loads several assertion objects at runtime. The configuration file tells the RACM which assertion objects to load. For each assertion, users pick up some fields of these information, and compare two records upon the values of these fields. If two records are equal on all these user-defined information fields, they are identical. For each assertion, all the unique records defined on these information fields are the target situations to be discussed. For example, if a unique record has three instance in the record log, that means the situation happened three time in the record log. Assertions can be defined on the occurrence of these situations.

The assertions are defined under the *Assertions* element of the configuration file *configuration.xml*. Here is an example of a frequency assertion:

```xml
<Assertions>
  <Assertion>
    <AssertionName>Frequency</AssertionName>
    <CheckingClass>Frequency</CheckingClass>
    <RecordType>
```
For an Assertion element, the structures of the first three sub-elements, AssertionName, CheckingClass and RecordType are fixed, and the user is only allowed to change the values of all the fields, whereas the last one, AssertionBody, can be customized by the user for defining different assertions.

- The AssertionName element provides the name of the assertion.

- The CheckingClass element gives the name of the Java class, which implements the assertion checking. The implementation class needs to be a subclass of the JCSProB class Checking. The runtime checking module loads an object of this class at runtime. In this case, an implementation class, Frequency, implements the checking algorithm for this assertion.

- The RecordType element defines how the record information be used by this assertion. As most assertions we defined concern fairness properties of the program, a very common work is comparing two records. In RecordType, the data used for comparing records are defined. In this example, two records are thought to be identical when their ProcName are same, and the first of process variables are equal.

- The AssertionBody element is an user defined element. The user can customize the data structure of this element for a certain assertion checking class. Also, the data setting in the assertion data structure can be changed. How to use the assertion information defined here should be defined in the implementation class of this assertion, which is discussed later in this section.

The JCSProB package provides an abstract class Checking, which is used to define assertions. When defining a new assertion, the user needs to implement two abstract methods, initAssertion and check, from the Checking class. The initAssertion method takes the XML element AssertionBody from the configuration file, which defines the
assertion, as its argument. Inside the method, the user need to assign the structured data in the element into the form which can be used by the assertion checking. In the check method, the user needs to implement the assertion checking algorithm.

In the above frequency example specified in XML, the fairness property it tries to tested is:

\[ \neg (i) \cdot (i \in \text{ProcID} \land \text{card}(\text{record}) > 15 \Rightarrow \text{card}(\text{card}(\text{record}) - 15..\text{card}(\text{record})) \succ \text{record} \prec \{i\} > 3) \]

The symbol \( ! (i) \) here means “for all \( i \)”, \( \text{card}() \) is a cardinality operator, and \( \text{ran}() \) returns the range of a function. The symbol \( \triangleleft \) represents domain restriction, while the symbol \( \triangleright \) represents range restriction. The assertion means that for the last 15 records the checking module received, all the involved processes should at least progress three times. In Appendix B.1, the Frequency class is presented. The check method of it implements the checking algorithm in Java.

The implementation class of runtime checking has a vector of such Checking objects. After received a new record from the GUI program, it calls the check method of all these Checking objects. The module also maintains a history of all the checking failures. When the program exits, all the records and failures information are saved into a log file.

### 5.7.4 A Example of the Standard GUI View

The automated translation tool, which is introduced in Section 6.2, can generate necessary files from combined B and CSP models for GUI. The GUI program uses the standard GUI view as default. Figure 5.25 shows the interface of the translator in PROB. If the option ‘Generating GUI programs’ is selected, the translator would generate JCSProB programs with GUI support, as well as the three configuration files for guiding the GUI. Figure 5.26 shows a GUI program directly generated for the wot-no-chicken example [Wel98].

- The dark gray panel, marked with number 1, is a thread container which represents a Java thread of the JCSProB program. The blue panel in it is an object of the GUIProc class, which represents a JCSProB process. This structure simulates the thread/process structure of JCSProB we introduced in Section 5.5, which means recursive processes run in the same thread container. A process container contains a number of light grey internal panels to represents the elements in the expression of the process. A GUIProc object starts with a button marked with the process name for starting the process. In this example, it is the button with the text XPhilProcClass.
• The process `Phils_procclass`, marked with number 2, contains a parallel composition of several processes. A yellow panel (not very visible in this figure) contains a number of thread containers for running the process components.

• The buttons with number 3, 4, and 5, demonstrates three states of event representation. The light grey button (3) means the corresponding event has not been called by the GUI, while the dark grey button (5) represents the event which has been called by the GUI, but still has not responded to the GUI. After the event completes, the process end sends a message to the GUI, then the button would turn into orange color (4).

• The text panel marked with number 6 on the figure is the on-screen log module. It displays all the log information sent by the GUI controller. Users can use the configuration files to modify the log information displayed here.

• The table component marked with number 7 display the values of B variables. The values are updated at runtime.

• The table component, which is in a separate frame and marked with number 8, shows the information of runtime records. The `process` column display the records received, which including the process name, the process position from where the record was sent, and the value of process parameters. The `occurrence` column contains two numbers which are separated by a semicolon: the first number is the occurrence of the record, and the second number counts the violation of runtime assertions.

• The button marked with number 9 is a two-state button used for user control. The button is in `automatic` state as default, which means the GUI can run automatically.

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**Figure 5.25:** The interface of translation tool in PROB
Figure 5.26: The interface of translation tool in PROB
without user interaction. When the button is pressed, it changes to *manual* state, in which the user has to manually drive the GUI.
Chapter 6

Translation from B+CSP to Java

The $JCSProB$ package provides basic facilities for constructing concurrent Java applications from B+CSP models. However, there is still a big gap between the combined specification and its Java implementation. Manually constructing the Java implementation is still very complex, and cannot guarantee the Java application correctly implements its formal model. To close the gap, a set of translation rules are developed to provide an explicit connection between formal models and the target Java code. The translation rules can be recursively used to generate a concurrent Java application from a B+CSP model. In Section 6.1, we discuss a number of translation rules concerning the translation of CSP processes. An automated translation tool, which implements the translation rules, is also developed as an extension of the PROB tool. It can save effort and avoid careless errors that are very common in writing code. In Section 6.2, the tool is discussed in detail.

In Appendix A, more translation rules are presented.

6.1 Translation Rules

To define the translation rules $Tr$, we first use the BNF (Backus Naur Form) notation to define a subset of the B+CSP specification language that can be implemented in the Java/JCSProB programs. The translation uses language elements in the definition of the two specification languages, and specifies their translation to Java code. In the translation rules:

- The items with fat font in translation rules, e.g. $\text{GuardsList}$, are names of translation rules.

- The items with italic font, e.g. $\text{Chs}$, are language elements from B+CSP specifications.
The items with type writer font are terminals, which are Java code. The symbols from Java code are marked with single quotation marks, e.g. ‘;’, in order to avoid confusion with BNF symbols.

To understand a translation rule, users need to refer the B+CSP language elements involved, as well as the rule itself. For example, the following translation rule generates a Java class for a B set definition:

**Rule 2.1.** BSetClass[\textit{BSet}] \Rightarrow \\
\textbf{PackageDef} \\
\textbf{ClassHeader} \\
public enum \textbf{Print[\textit{BSetName}]} ‘{’ \\
\textbf{Print[\textit{Iden}]}+’,’ \\
‘{’

\textbf{B+CSP:}\ BSet \vdash BSetName = \{'Iden'+',}'

The name of the rule, BSetClass[\textit{BSet}] is defined first, between the rule number Rule 2.1, and the symbol \Rightarrow. After \Rightarrow, the rule body, which defines how to translate the rule, is given. The rule body can include:

- Names of other rules, such as ClassHeader, which can be further translated using their rule definitions.
- Terminals, such as public, ‘{’.
- Extended BNF notations, such as +. \textbf{Print[\textit{Iden}]}+’,’ here means that the rule can be applied more than once, but each of them needs to be separated by a ’,’.

The additional B+CSP language definition after the main rule body, labelled as \textbf{B+CSP}, provides information of formal models involved in this translation rule. However, in some cases, the language definition of B+CSP cannot clearly provide enough information for the translation. To make the translation rules more explicit, supplements are introduced to express the information which cannot be easily specified in the BNF definition of B+CSP. For example, in the Java implementation of \textit{external choice}, a Java \textbf{switch} statement is used to express all the choice paths:

**Rule 3.6.10.3.** Choice[ProcBPrefix∗] \Rightarrow \\
\textbf{case Integer ‘:’} \\
\textbf{ChoiceRtnEv[ProcBPrefix]}
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\[ \text{CSP: } \text{ProcBPrefix} \vdash \text{ChCall} \rightarrow \text{ProcB} \]

Supplement: When ChCall is a B+CSP event without output data, choose ChoiceRtnEv
Supplement: When ChCall is a B+CSP event with output data, choose ChoiceRtnEvValue
Supplement: When ChCall is a CSP communication channel, choose ProcE

Supplement: The rule Integer provides various values for all different repeatable instances of ProcBPrefix. It starts with 0, increasing by 1 each time.

\[
\begin{array}{c}
\text{The integer numbers next to each } \text{case} \text{ statement should increase each time when the rule is applied, but it is fairly hard to express this in the BNF definition of B+CSP. With the supplement in this rule, we can explicitly instruct users on how to correctly make use of the translation. Accordingly, the translation rules } Tr \text{ are defined as a conversion from B+CSP specification languages and additional supplements } S \text{ to Java programs:}

B + CSP \Rightarrow _{Tr} \text{Java/JCSProB}
\end{array}
\]

The translation rules have two translation modes: without-GUI and with-GUI. In the translation rule definitions, the elements marked with [NoGUI] are used only in without-GUI mode, while those elements marked with [GUI] are used only in with-GUI mode. For example, Rule 3.6.9.6 is designed for translating the channel input of a communication channel:

Rule 3.6.9.5.1. CommChannelRead[InputCh] ⇒
\[
\begin{array}{c}
\{ \text{ProcVarName}\{\text{Var} \}' = \text{ChObjName}\{\text{ChName} \} ' . \text{read'}(); ' \}[_{\text{NoGUI}}]
\mid \{ \text{ProcVarName}\{\text{Var} \} ' = \text{channelRead'}('.
\text{ChObjName}\{\text{ChName} \} ',',' \text{ChObjName}\{\text{ChName} \}
\}
\}[_{\text{GUI}}]
\end{array}
\]

CSP: InputCh ⊨ ChName'?Var

In the without-GUI mode, the first line of this rule marked with [NoGUI] is applied. The rest part of this rule, marked with [GUI], is applied in the with-GUI mode. The mode options serves as a static environment setting for the translation. When users start to employ the translation rules for generating Java programs, they must first define the translation mode they want, and then apply it all through a translation run.
The translation rules of without-GUI mode mainly consists three rule sets:

- Rules for generating process classes
- Rules for generating channel classes
- Rules for generating B variable classes, invariants and assertions

The translation rules set with GUI have a set of translation rules for generating configuration files for GUI, as well as three corresponding rules sets of the three ones above.

### 6.1.1 Translation Rules for Processes

Processes are elementary structures for both CSP models and JCSProB programs. The translation rules for processes provide the regulations for constructing and composing JCSProB processes classes from CSP process specifications. In this section, we go over some essential rules for translating process classes.

Rule 3.1 shows the translation rule for producing a process class from a CSP process. A named CSP process specification $\text{Process}$ is implemented to a Java class which extends the $\text{BCSProcess}$ or $\text{BGProcess}$ class of JCSProB.

#### Rule 3.1. $\text{ProcessClass[Proc]} \Rightarrow$

```java
PackageDef
ClassHeader
public class $\text{ProcClassName}[\text{ProcName}]$ extends
{BCSProcess)$_{[\text{NoGUI}]}$ | {BGProcess)$_{[\text{GUI}]}$}+'
  ProcChsDecl[Chs]
  ProcVarsDecl[Vars]
  ProcConstructor
  ProcRun[ProcBody]
'}
```

**B+CSP**: \(\text{Proc} \vdash \text{ProcHeader} \rightarrow \text{ProcBody}\)

**B+CSP**: \(\text{ProcHeader} \vdash \text{ProcName} \{('\text{VarsList}')\}\)

**Supplement**: Chs consists of all the channels/events called by the process, or its subprocess

**Supplement**: Vars consists of all the variables used in the process

A CSP process may include a number of variables. In its Java implementation, these process variables are translated into variables of the process class. Rule 3.3 $\text{ProcVarsDecl}$
is designed for generating declarations for these variables. Also, a process and its sub-processes may call both combined B+CSP events and CSP communication channels. Rule 3.2 \texttt{ProcChsDecI} (Section 6.1) and Rule 3.2.1 \texttt{ProcChDecI} is for generating the declaration of channels/events.

**Rule 3.2.** \texttt{ProcChsDecI[Chs] \Rightarrow ProcChDecI[Ch]^*}

\textbf{B+CSP: }\texttt{Chs \vdash Ch^*}

**Rule 3.2.1.** \texttt{ProcChDecI[Ch] \Rightarrow}

\texttt{ChannelIType[Ch] ChObjName[Ch] ';'}

The rule \texttt{ChannelIType} called in Rule 3.2.1 returns the type information of a channel. The typing here need not to be an implementation channel class. For combined B+CSP event, it returns the abstract class which provides \textit{ready} methods, while for JCSP communication channels, it returns the interfaces of channel input and output. The rule \texttt{ChannelIType} is presented in Section 6.1.3.

A \texttt{JCSProB} process class gets references of channel/event objects and input variables from the environment. Therefore, when a process object is constructed, this information needs to be assigned to it. Rule 3.4 generates the constructor method of a process class. The required information from the environment are assigned to the process in the constructor.

**Rule 3.4.** \texttt{ProcConstructor \Rightarrow}

\texttt{Print[ProcName] '}_\texttt{proc}class' '{'}

\texttt{ProcChsTypeList[Chs] '','

\{ChannelOutput conf '','\}[GUI]

\texttt{ProcVarsTypeList[Vars]'}

\{super('',')[NoGUI] | \{ super(conf)'',' \}[GUI

\texttt{ProcChsAssign[Chs]}

\texttt{ProcVarsAssign[ExtVars]}

'}

\textbf{B+CSP: }\texttt{ProcHeader \vdash ProcName \{('\texttt{VarsList}')\}}

\textbf{Supplement: }\texttt{Chs} is all the channels/events involved in this process or its sub-processes.

\textbf{Supplement: }\texttt{Vars} is all the variables involved in this process.

\textbf{Supplement: }\texttt{ExtVars} is all the external variables in \texttt{VarsList} of the \texttt{ProcHeader} definition.
The constructor method obtains the references of channel/event objects, and values of variables from parameters of the method. Rule 3.4.1 ProcChsTypeList prints out the list of channel/event objects, and Rule 3.4.2 ProcVarsTypeList provides the list for input variables ExtVars. Inside the method body, the external object references or values are assigned to their internal counterparts. Here, the rule for translating assignments of channels/events is presented:

**Rule 3.4.3.** ProcChsAssign \([Chs]\) ⇒ ProcChAssign \([Ch]\)^*

**Supplement:** \(Chs\) is all the channels/events involved in this process or its sub-processes.

**Supplement:** \(Chs \not\vdash Ch^*\)

**Rule 3.4.3.1.** ProcChAssign \([Ch]\) ⇒

\[\text{this'.'ChObjName}[Ch] = \text{ChObjName}[Ch] \;'\]

Above rules, from Rule 3.2 to Rule 3.4, focus on making all the data and channel/event references ready. The execution sequences of a process, which is expressed in ProcBody (refer to Rule 3.1 for the definition), is translated into the run method of the process class. Rule 3.5 ProcRun is designed for generating the run method.

**Rule 3.5.** ProcRun[ProcBody] ⇒

\[
\text{public void run'}()\{
    \{\text{this'.'createGUIProc'}();'\}[\text{GUI}]
    \{\text{start'}();'\}[\text{GUI}]
    \text{ProcE}[\text{ProcBody}]
    \{\text{end'}();'\}[\text{GUI}]
\}
\]

**Rule 3.6.** ProcE[ProcB] ⇒

\[
\text{ProcEParallel}[\text{ProcBParallel}]
| \text{ProcEReplParallel}[\text{ProcBReplParallel}]
| \text{ProcEInterleave}[\text{ProcBInterleave}]
| \text{ProcEReplInterleave}[\text{ProcBReplInterleave}]
| \text{ProcESequence}[\text{ProcBSequence}]
| \text{ProcEIfThen}[\text{ProcBIfThen}]
\]
When using this rule, we first need to check the BNF definition of \( \text{ProcB} \) to find the pattern of the current \( \text{CSP} \) process expression. For example, if the current \( \text{CSP} \) expression matches \( \text{ProcBParallel} \) in the definition of B+CSP, the translation rule \( \text{ProcEParallel} \Rightarrow \text{ProcPlusParallel} \parallel' \) would be applied here. Many process expression rules are appeared in \text{Rule 3.6}, but we only continue the discussion of these rules with one particular rule for parallel composition. Other rules can be found in Appendix \text{A}.

**Rule 3.6.1.** \( \text{ProcEParallel}[\text{ProcBParallel}] \Rightarrow \text{ParaChsNums}[\text{Chs}] \)

\[
\{ \text{new CSPParallel}'(\text{\textprime})\}_{\text{NoGUI}} | \{ \text{parallelCtrl}'(\text{\textprime})\}_{\text{GUI}} \\
\{ \text{new BCSProcess}'[]\text{\textprime}\}_{\text{NoGUI}} | \{ \text{new BGProcess}'[]\text{\textprime}\}_{\text{GUI}} \\
\text{Call}\text{Proc}[\text{Proc}] \text{\textprime}'\text{\textprime}' \\
\}' \\
\{ ')\text{.run}'()';' \}_{\text{NoGUI}} | \{ ')';' \}_{\text{GUI}}
\]

\( \text{B+CSP:} \text{ProcBParallel} \Rightarrow \text{Proc}'\|' \)

**Supplement:** \( \text{Chs} \) includes all the B+CSP events that have multi-way synchronizing

**Supplement:** \( \text{Procs} \) includes all the process in the parallel composition

The translation of parallel composition starts with defining numbers of processes synchronizing on shared events. A shared event needs this number for counting down the synchronization barrier. \text{Rule 3.6.2} is designed for calling a special method \text{inc_syn_procs_no} to increase the barrier number.
**Rule 3.6.2.** \( \text{ParChsNums}[Chs] \Rightarrow \text{ParChNums}[Ch]^* \)

**Supplement:** \( Chs \vdash Ch^* \)

**Rule 3.6.2.1.** \( \text{ParChNums}[Ch] \Rightarrow \)

\[
\text{ChObjName}[Ch]'\cdot\text{inc}'\cdot\text{sym}'\cdot\text{proces}'\cdot\text{no}'('\text{Integer}')';'
\]

**Supplement:** Rule \texttt{Integer} here should be the number of processes which synchronize on the event \( Ch \).

The other translation rule referred in Rule 3.6.1 is \texttt{CallProc}, which translates the call on a new process object. As this rule involves many other rules, we do not discuss it here in detail. If interested, please refer to Rule 3.6.4.1 in Appendix A.

Also in Rule 3.6.1, the without-GUI and with-GUI modes generate quite different Java code. In the without-GUI mode, a new \texttt{CSProcess} object is built upon an array of \texttt{BCSProcess} objects, while in the with-GUI mode, the \texttt{parallelCtrl} method provided by the \texttt{BGProcess} class is called, and an array of \texttt{BGProcess} objects is passed to the method as a parameter. However, although the target Java codes are different, the ways in which they apply translation are similar, which means they call same translation rules and use these rules in a similar structure. In this case, the two modes both use rules \texttt{ParChNums} and \texttt{CallProc}, and the ways they apply these rules are identical. Therefore, the differences of the two modes in the translation are just on the syntax level.

### 6.1.2 Translation Rules for Events

The translation rules for generating event classes obtain most information from the B part of the combined specification. Rule 4.1 is designed for generating the main structure of an event class.

**Rule 4.1.** \( \text{EventClass}[Ev] \Rightarrow \)

\[
\text{PackageDef}
\text{ClassHeader}
\text{public class EventClassName}[Ev] \text{ extends EventType}[Ev] '{'
\text{MachName}'\cdot\text{machine var'};',
\text{EventVarsDecl}[BOpVars]
\text{EventConstructor}[Ev]
\]
In Rule 4.1, the rule \( \text{EventVarsDecl} [\text{BOpVars}] \) produces the Java code for declaring event variables. The type information of all the B variables is defined as type invariants inside the \text{INVARIANTS} clause of a B machine. In Rule 4.2, the type of a B variable is obtained from the rule \( \text{BVarType} [\text{BOpVar}] \).

**Rule 4.2.** \( \text{EventVarsDecl} [\text{BOpVars}] \Rightarrow \{ \text{BVarType} [\text{BOpVar}] \text{Print} [\text{BOpVar}] \}^{+} ' \)

\[ \textbf{B: } \text{BOpVars} \vdash \text{BOpVar}^{+} ' \]

Also in Rule 4.1, the rule \( \text{EventInputMethod} [\text{BInVars}] \) prints out the Java method \text{assign\_input}, which is used to assign input data to the event variables, and the rule \( \text{EventOutputMethod} [\text{BOutVars}] \) generates the method \text{make\_output} for outputing data from event variables. The constructor method of an event class is generated by Rule 4.3 \( \text{EventConstructor} [\text{Ev}] \). All the three rules are presented in Appendix A.

The \text{run} method of an event class implements the data substitutions inside the B operation of the combined event. Rule 4.6 \( \text{EventRun} [\text{BOpBody}] \) is defined to generate the \text{run} method.

**Rule 4.6.** \( \text{EventRun} [\text{BOpBody}] \Rightarrow \)

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{protected synchronized void run} ' (\{} \backslash\backslash \\
\text{BeforeStateVars} [\text{StateVars}]  \\
\text{BSubstitution} [\text{BSub}]  \\
\text{var} ' . ' \text{check}' ();' \\
\{ \text{varsPanelsStore} ' . ' \text{getInstance}' () . ' \text{getPanelInstance}' (' \\
\' " ' \text{MachName}" . ' \text{refresh}' ();' \} [\text{GUI}] \backslash\backslash \\
\text{\'} \}\backslash\backslash \\
\textbf{B: } \text{BOpBody} \vdash \text{BSub}
\end{align*}
\]
Supplement: \( Vars \) consists of all the state variables

The rule \( \text{BeforeStateVars}[StateVars] \) declares copies of all the state variables of the B machine. These copies represent the system state before performing the data substitutions. In the implementation of the data substitutions, the real state variables can only appear on the left side of the data transitions, whereas the state copies can only appear on the right side. Rule 4.6.2 \( \text{BeforeStateVar}[StateVar] \) provides different options for different types of state variables, as the Java code for making a copy of an existing object can be different.

**Rule 4.6.1.** \( \text{BeforeStateVars}[Vars] \Rightarrow \text{BeforeStateVar}[Var]^* \)

**Supplement:** \( Vars \) includes all the state variables: \( Vars \vdash Var^* \)

**Rule 4.6.2.** \( \text{BeforeStateVar}[Var] \Rightarrow \)

\[ \text{BType}[Var]\text{Print}[Var] ' = ' \]

\[ \text{BeforeStateVarPSet}[Var] \]

\[ \text{BeforeStateVarArray}[Var] \]

\[ \text{BeforeStateVarRelation}[Var] \]

\[ \text{BeforeStateVarAssignObj}[Var] \]

\[ ' , ' \]

**Supplement:** If \( Var \) is a B set, \( \text{BeforeStateVarPSet} \)

**Supplement:** If \( Var \) is an array, \( \text{BeforeStateVarArray} \)

**Supplement:** If \( Var \) is a relation, \( \text{BeforeStateVarRelation} \)

**Supplement:** Otherwise, \( \text{BeforeStateVarObj} \)

The rule \( \text{BSubstitution}[BSub] \) used in Rule 4.6 generates the Java code for implementing B substitutions. All the supported B substitutions in the translation can be found in this rule. The unsupported substitutions are not included in the translation for different reasons. For example, the \textbf{WHILE} loop is not here because it is not supported by PROB, and the \textbf{SELECT} is too abstract and non-deterministic to be implemented in concrete programs (Use IF or PRE instead!).

**Rule 5.1.** \( \text{BSubstitution}[BSub] \Rightarrow \)

\[ \text{BSubstitutionPrecondition}[BSubPrecdtn] \]

\[ \text{BSubstitutionBegin}[BSubBegin] \]

\[ \text{BSubstitutionVar}[BSubVar] \]
6.1.3 Translation Rules for Integration

The B and the CSP are connected on combined B+CSP events. The translation rules concerning the combined event usually obtain information from both sides. In Rule 7.2.1 and Rule 7.2.2, the main rule bodies provide all the possible outputs from applying the rules. It is the supplements in these rules that actually instruct users on how to determine the outputs from applying these rules.

**Rule 7.2.** $\text{channelType}[Ch] \Rightarrow$

$\text{eventType}[Ev] \mid \text{cchType}[CCh]$

**B+CSP:** $Ch \vdash Ev \mid CCh$

**Rule 7.2.1.** $\text{eventType}[Ev] \Rightarrow$

$\text{cChannel} \mid \text{inCChannel} \mid \text{outCChannel} \mid \text{outInCChannel}$

**Supplement:** If the combined event $Ev$ has no data flow between B and CSP, returns cChannel. ( CSP: ch B: op )

**Supplement:** If the combined event $Ev$ only has input data, from the CSP channel to the B operation, returns inCChannel. ( CSP: ch!InVars B: op(InVars)$' )

**Supplement:** If the combined event $Ev$ only has output data, from the B operation to the CSP channel, returns outCChannel. ( CSP: ch?$'OutVars B: OutVars \leftarrow op )
Supplement: If combined event \(Ev\) has both input data, from \(CSP\) to \(B\), and output data, from \(B\) to \(CSP\), returns \(OutInCChannel\). 

\[
\text{CSP: } ch!'!\text{InVars}'?\text{OutVars}' \text{ B: } \text{OutVars} \leftarrow \text{op}'(\text{InVars}')
\]

**Rule 7.2.2.** \(C\text{ChType}[CCh] \Rightarrow \) 

\[
\text{ChannelInput} \mid \text{ChannelOutput} \mid \text{ChClass}\text{Name}[CCh]
\]

Supplement: If the process only read from channel \(CCh\), returns \(\text{ChannelInput}\).
Supplement: If the process only output to channel \(CCh\), returns \(\text{ChannelOutput}\).
Supplement: If the process and its sub-processes both read and write to channel \(CCh\), returns the channel class name using rule \(\text{ChClass}\text{Name}[CCh]\).

**Rule 7.2.2** returns the implementation class for the CSP communication channels; thus it only concern the CSP part. **Rule 7.2.1** is one of the rules which concern both the \(B\) and the CSP parts. Choosing an implementation class for the combined \(B+CSP\) event is based on the data flow between the \(B\) operation and the CSP channel, which is defined in the restricted semantics of \(B+CSP\). The supplements of **Rule 7.2.1** use both the \(B\) and the CSP syntax, and combine them together for the translation. They implement a part of the \(B+CSP\) semantics in the translation.

### 6.2 Translation Tool

The automatic translation tool is constructed as an extension of the PROB tool. It is also developed using SICStus Prolog, which is the implementation language of PROB. The translation tool has two main functions:

- **Preprocessing.** The translation tool first gets information of a combined \(B+CSP\) model, and transforms it into an information structure which is more accessible in the translation.

- **Translation.** The translation tool implements the translation rules, and translates the model information into Java programs.

In PROB, a \(B+CSP\) specification is parsed and interpreted into Prolog clauses, which express the combined specification. As the translation tool works in the same environment as PROB, it acquires information on the combined specification from these Prolog clauses, and translates the information into Java programs.

Figure 6.1 illustrates how PROB parses and interprets \(B\) and \(CSP\) specifications, and where the translator lies in PROB. The \(B\) part and the \(CSP\) part of the combined
The two specifications are stored in separate files. The PROB tool first carries out syntax analysis on the two specifications. A CSP parser parses the CSP specification into a parsed tree structure, while the JBT tools package [Bru01] is employed to translate B notations into XML format. After that, the CSP interpreter, CIA (CSP Interpreter and Animator) [Leu01], converts the parsed trees of CSP processes into a Prolog fact agent/2. The first parameter of agent/2 provides information of the process name. The second parameter represents the process definition. On the other hand, the Pillow package [CH01] is used to convert the XML representation of B specifications into a series of Prolog clauses. Pillow is an external Prolog program, which provides certain methods to access XML files by translating XML into Prolog clauses. Finally, the PROB interpreter takes Prolog clauses of the two specifications and produces new Prolog clauses which expresses the semantics of the combined B+CSP model.

The translation tool obtains semantic information from Prolog clauses of the combined model. It also builds some new Prolog facts, which are transformed from clauses of the B+CSP specification. For example, in PROB, the Prolog rule b_get_machine_variables/1 in the bmachine module of PROB can return names of all the B variables. However, the data type information of these variables are mixed in the invariant, which can be obtained from calling the b_getInvariant_from_machine/1 rule from the bmachine module. Also, the initialization of these variables is in the INITIALISATION statement of a

![Figure 6.1: The parsing and interpretation in PROB](image-url)
B machine, which can be obtained from calling the \texttt{b\_get\_initialisation\_from\_machine/1} rule. However, the invariant and initialization information obtained from calling these rules are in complex tree structures which are not very straightforward for the translation. Therefore, we build two new Prolog facts from these rules.

- \texttt{jcsp\_b\_vars\_types/2}. This fact contains two arguments: the variable name, and its typing.
- \texttt{jcsp\_b\_vars\_inits/2}. This fact contains two arguments: the variable name, and its initialization values.

The preprocessed information are more accessible and easier to use in the translation. In some cases, the preprocessing step even implements some fundamental translation rules. In the above example, the data type information stored in \texttt{jcsp\_b\_vars\_types/2} is actually the corresponding Java typing of variables, which means the translation rule \texttt{Type} is partially implemented in the preprocessing step.

When the information of combined models is ready, the translation tool starts to generate Java programs according to the translation rules. As we discussed in Section 6.1, the translation rules are expressed in BNF-like production rules. The Prolog language, which is a declarative logic language and is based on mathematic logic and inference, is very appropriate for expressing such a kind of logic rule. Especially, the Prolog rules, which are also inference rules, can implement the translation rules in a straightforward way. In the development of the translation tool, there are correlations defined between translation rules and Prolog rules. For example, in Section 6.1.1, we gave the (Rule 3.5) \texttt{Proc\_Run} for translating the run method of process classes.

\textbf{Rule 3.5.} \texttt{Proc\_Run[ProcBody] \Rightarrow}

\begin{verbatim}
\textbf{public void run()}{
  \{\textbf{this}.'createGUIProc'();\}'[\textit{GUI}]
  \{\textbf{start}();\}'[\textit{GUI}]
  ProcE[ProcBody]
  \{\textbf{end}();\}'[\textit{GUI}]
}'}
\end{verbatim}

In the translation tool, there is a corresponding Prolog rule for implementing this rule:

\begin{verbatim}
print\_jcsp\_process\_class\_run(Proc,ProcBody) :-
  jcsp\_print(1,'public void run(){}'),nl,
  (withGUI ->
  
\end{verbatim}
The correlation of the two rules are quite obvious. The Prolog rule \texttt{jcsp\_print/2} is used for printing out a string with certain indentation. For example, a query of the rule

\texttt{jcsp\_print(2,'start();')} would print out the string 'start();' with the indentation of two tabs. The special fact \texttt{withGUI} contains the information of whether the translation is in the with-gui mode. Also, readers may quickly start to presume that the Prolog rule \texttt{print\_jcsp\_process\_run\_proce(Proc,ProcBody,2)} is the implementation of Rule 3.6. For most translation rules, such corresponding Prolog rules can be directly recognized. However, for some rules which are partially implemented in the preprocessing step of the translation tool, the correlation may be not so easy to identify.

Accordingly, as there is tight correspondence between the translation rules and the Prolog rules of the translator program, the correctness of the translation tool heavily depends on the correctness of the translation rules. For each translation rule, if we can make sure the corresponding Prolog rules produce the same output as the translation rule, then we can say the translation rules correctly implements the translation rule.

### 6.3 Translation of External Choice

In this section, we use the translation of external choice to demonstrate the translation procedure. The translation rule of external choice, as well as the Prolog rules, are discussed. We also use a toy example of external choice to test the translation, and the generated Java code is presented.

A simple process \texttt{Breakfast} has a data \texttt{Egg} as its process parameters. The process needs to make choice on two events \texttt{fry} and \texttt{boil}. The CSP specification of this toy example is:

\[
\text{Breakfast(Egg)} = \text{fry.Egg} \rightarrow \text{Breakfast(Egg)} \sqcap \text{boil.Egg} \rightarrow \text{Breakfast(Egg)}
\]

In Section 5.4, we discussed the implementation of external choice for the B+CSP event. The ready state of a combined event is resolved not only based on the processes that
synchronize on the event, but also depends on the precondition of the event. Therefore, the value of input parameters are also required for resolving the choice. **Rule 3.6.10** represents the main translation rule for external choice.

**Rule 3.6.10.** \( \text{ProcBChoice} \Rightarrow \text{ProcBChoice} \)

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{BCSPGuard}'[]' \text{ in } &=\{ \text{ GuardsList}[\text{ProcBPrefix}] \}' ;'
\text{Vector}'<\text{Vector}'<\text{Object}'>>' \text{ choiceVec}
\quad = \text{ new Vector}'<\text{Vector}'<\text{Object}'>>'();'
\text{ChoiceValueAssign}[\text{ProcBPrefix}]'
\quad \{ \text{ Alter } \text{ in } = \text{ new Alter}'('in',' \text{ choiceVec}');'
\quad \text{ switch}'('\text{alt.select}'())\{'
\quad \text{ Choices}[\text{ProcBPrefix}]'
\quad \}' \} \text{[NoGUI]}
\quad \{ \text{ switch}'('\text{choiceCtrl}'('in',' \text{ choiceVec}'))\{'
\quad \text{ Choices}[\text{ProcBPrefix}]'
\quad \}' \} \text{[GUI]}
\end{align*}
\]

\textbf{B+CSP:} \( \text{ProcBChoice} \vdash \text{ProcBPrefix} \{ [ ]' \text{ ProcBPrefix}]* \)

The translation rule first uses the rule \text{GuardsList} to construct an array of guards in, which includes the first events of all the possible choice paths. After that, it introduced a Java \text{Vector} object \text{choiceVec} for keeping the values of all the input arguments of these events. In the without-GUI mode, the two objects are used to construct an \text{Alter} object, whose \text{select} method actually returns decision of the external choice. In the with-GUI mode, the two objects are passed to the \text{choiceCtrl} method of the \text{BGProcess} class for choice decision making. The definitions of the sub-rules, e.g. \text{Choices}, can be found in Appendix A.

Based on the translation rules of external choice, a number of Prolog rules are implemented:

\[
\text{print_jcsp_process_run_proce}(\text{Proc}, \text{choice}(\text{TransA},\text{TransB}),N) :-
\quad \text{jcsp_print}(N, 'BCSPGuard[ in = '),
\quad \text{retractall(jcspcommaasymbol)},
\quad \text{print_jcsp_process_run_proce_choice_guard_list}(\text{TransA},\text{TransB}),
\quad \text{jcsp_print}(N, 'Vector< Vector< Object>> \text{ choiceVec}
\quad = \text{ new Vector< Vector< Object>> }();', nl),
\quad \text{print_choice_value_assign_trans}(\text{TransA},N),
\quad \text{print_choice_value_assign_trans}(\text{TransB},N),
\quad \text{print}(';''), nl),
\]

\]
(withGUI ->
    print jcsp_process_run_proce_choice_with_gui(TransA,TransB,Proc,N);
    print jcsp_process_run_proce_choice(TransA,TransB,Proc,N)
).
print jcsp_process_run_proce_choice_with_gui(TransA,TransB,Proc,N) :-
    jcsp_print(N,'switch(choiceCtrl(in, choiceVec)){'),nl,
    print jcsp_process_run_proce_choice_with_gui_trans(TransA,Proc,N+1,0),
    print jcsp_process_run_proce_choice_with_gui_trans(TransB,Proc,N+1,1),
    jcsp_print(N,'}'),nl.
print jcsp_process_run_proce_choice(TransA,TransB,Proc,N) :-
    jcsp_print(N,'Alter alt = new Alter(in,choiceVec);'),nl,
    jcsp_print(N,'switch(alt.select()){'),nl,
    print jcsp_process_run_proce_choice_trans(TransA,Proc,N+1,0),
    print jcsp_process_run_proce_choice_trans(TransB,Proc,N+1,1),
    jcsp_print(N,'}'),nl.

In PROB, the choice paths are parsed and stored in a tree structure. For example, an external choice on three choice paths

\[
ProcA \square ProcB \square ProcC
\]

would be expressed as:

\[
\text{choice}(ProcA,\text{choice}(ProcB,ProcC))
\]

Therefore, the *Breakfast* process we specified above would be transformed by the CSP interpreter into the following form:

\[
\text{choice(}
    \text{prefix([out(term(Egg))],fry,agent_call(a_Breakfast(Egg))},
    \text{prefix([out(term(Egg))],boil,agent_call(a_Breakfast(Egg))}
\text{)}).
\]

The rule head of *print_jcsp_process_run_proce* can capture this tree structure with its second argument *choice(TransA,TransB)*. Also, the following rules, which make use of *TransA* and *TransB*, recursively explore the tree structure to access all the choice paths.

- The Prolog rule *print_jcsp_process_run_proce_choice_guard_list* implements the translation rule *GuardList*. It explores all the choice paths, and prints out an event list including the first event of all the choice paths.
The rule `print_choice_value_assign_trans`, which implements the translation rules `ChoiceValueAssign`, explores the tree structure of all the choices, and prints out the Java code for add the values of the first events of all the choice paths.

Similarly, the rule `print_jcsp_process_run_proce_choice_with_gui_trans` and `print_jcsp_process_run_proce_choice_trans` also explore the choices tree, and generate all choice paths in a Java `switch` statement. These two Prolog rules implement *Rule 3.6.10.3 Choices*, which is presented in Section 6.1

Giving the parsed tree of the `Breakfast` process in without-GUI mode, the above Prolog rules would generate the following Java code:

```java
PCChannel[] in = {fry_ch, boil_ch};
Vector<Vector<Object>> choiceVec = new Vector<Vector<Object>>();
choiceVec.addElement(inputVec(new Object[]{proc_index_a}));
choiceVec.addElement(inputVec(new Object[]{proc_index_a}));
Alter alt = new Alter(in,choiceVec);
switch(alt.select()){
    case 0 : callNextProc(new BreakfastprocsClass(fry_ch, boil_ch, proc_index_a));
              break;
    case 1 : callNextProc(new BreakfastprocsClass(fry_ch, boil_ch, proc_index_a));
              break;
}
```

In the GUI mode, the translator generates a slightly different Java code:

```java
PCChannel[] in = {fry_ch, boil_ch};
Vector<Vector<Object>> choiceVec = new Vector<Vector<Object>>();
choiceVec.addElement(inputVec(new Object[]{proc_index_a}));
choiceVec.addElement(inputVec(new Object[]{proc_index_a}));
switch(choiceCtrl(in,choiceVec)){
    case 0 : choiceRtn(fry_ch);
              nextProcRtn(new BreakfastprocsClass(fry_ch, boil_ch, proc_index_a));
              break;
    case 1 : choiceRtn(boil_ch)
              nextProcRtn(new BreakfastprocsClass(fry_ch, boil_ch, proc_index_a));
              break;
}
```
Chapter 7

Experimentations

In this section, experimental evaluation of the whole development strategy from B+CSP to Java is discussed. We first test the expressivity of the restricted B+CSP semantics, and syntax coverage of the translation by applying different syntactic structures to construct various formal models. The generated Java programs are tested, and compared with their formal models.

An important experimentation is to evaluate different kind of properties on the Java programs generated from B+CSP models. The known properties, which can be verified in ProB, are also evaluated in the generated Java programs at runtime. Then the runtime checking result is compared with that from the ProB model checking on the B+CSP model. For the properties which are not so easy to express in B+CSP or cannot be verified in ProB, we specify them as runtime assertions, and design runtime assertion checking for them. The example in Section 7.1 shows how the invariant check works for the JCSPProB package. In Section 7.2, we construct several models from Wot-no-chicken example to demonstrate the user-defined assertion checking.

Another target for the experimentations is to evaluate the scalability issue of this work. One import aspect for scalability here is on the composition/decomposition of the B+CSP model and its Java implementation. Currently, the composition rules for the combined B+CSP model has not been developed. The compositional examples in Section 7.3 practically shows a possible composition style for B+CSP models. There are no formal rules to back this composition attempt.

7.1 Invariant Check: Simple Lift Example

Figure 7.1 presents an abstract lift model. We use this simple example to demonstrate the implementation of invariant check for JCSPProB programs.
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Invariants in a B machine demonstrate safety properties of the system model. In the PROB model checking, B invariants are checked on all the states of the system. The violation of the invariants indicates an unsafe state of the system model. The runtime invariant check in the target Java programs can be used to demonstrate the generated Java program preserves the safety properties, which are specified in the invariant of its formal model, in the current trace.

The invariants supported by the translation are mainly from the B0 language conditions. The B0 conditions can be easily translated into Java boolean conditions. The abstract JcspVar class, which maintains the system states of B machines, needs to be implemented in a JCSPProB program. The check method of JcspVar need to be implemented for the invariant checking. The Java boolean conditions generated from the B invariants are tested in the check method. The check method is called each time when an event object performed data changes on state variables. The success of this checking demonstrates the invariants are also preserved in the Java program. When we test a Java program generated from verified B+CSP model, failures of this checking also means the translation does not preserve the semantics of B+CSP.

The unguarded B operations inc and dec can freely increase or decrease the B variable floor. That would easily break the invariant on floor (level \(\geq 0 \&\ level \leq 10\)). In the PROB model checking, the violated state can be quickly identified from the state model.

Runtime results of the target Java application demonstrate that the check mechanism can find violation of invariant conditions, and terminate the system accordingly. Therefore, we correct the model to that of Figure 7.2, by adding preconditions.

![Figure 7.1: Combined Specification of lift](image)

![Figure 7.2: An example of B machines: lift](image)
The Java programs generated from the modified specification find no violation of invariants.

7.2 Wot-no-chickens: Fairness Assertions

The Wot,no chickens? example [Wel98] was originally constructed for emphasizing possible fairness issues in the wait-notify mechanism of Java concurrent programming. There are five philosophers and one chef in this story. The chef repeatedly cooks four chickens each time, puts the chicken in a canteen, and notifies the waiting philosophers.

On the other hand, philosophers, but not the greedy one, cyclically continue the following behaviours: think, go to canteen for chickens, get a chicken, and go back to think again. The greedy philosopher does not think, and goes to the canteen directly and finds it devoid of chickens. The Java implementation in [Wel98] employs the Java \textit{wait-notify} mechanism (using the pattern advised by the Java API documentation) to block the philosopher object when there are no chickens left in the canteen. The chef claims the canteen monitor lock (on which the greedy philosopher is waiting), takes some time to set out the freshly cooked chickens and, then, notifies all (any) who are waiting. During this claim period, the diligent philosophers finish their thoughts, try to claim the monitor lock and get in line. If that happens before the greedy philosopher is notified, he finds himself behind all his colleagues again. By the time he claims the monitor (i.e. reaches the canteen), the shelves are bare and back he goes to waiting! The greedy philosopher never gets any chicken.

7.2.1 The Two Models

To test the syntax coverage of the JCSPProB package and the translation, several formal models of this example are specified. We use various synchronization strategies and recursion patterns to explore the syntax coverage and the semantics expressivity of the B+CSP specification in the JCSPProB package, as well as in the translation. Furthermore, we also want to compare fairness properties of different formal models, in order to evaluate the behaviour of the generated Java programs in practice.

The first combined B+CSP model of this example is presented in Figure 7.3. The CSP part of the specification in Figure 7.4 features some interleaving processes. The atomic access control on the B global variables, and the precondition on the \textit{get\_chicken} channel actually require synchronization mechanisms to preserve the consistency of the concurrent Java programs. As all the features concerning the concurrency model are implemented in the JCSPProB package, users can work with the high-level concurrency model without noticing the low-level implementation of synchronization.
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MACHINE chicken
VARIABLES canteen, chef, state

INVARIANT
\( canteen \in \text{NAT} \land \text{chef} \in \text{NAT} \land \text{state} \in (0..4) \rightarrow \text{NAT} \)

INITIALISATION
\( canteen := 0 \parallel \text{chef} := 0 \parallel \text{state} := (0..4) \ast \{1\} \)

OPERATIONS
\[
\begin{align*}
\text{thinking}(pp) &= \quad \text{SELECT } pp:0..4 \text{ THEN} \\
& \quad \text{state}(pp) := \text{state}(pp) - 1 \\
& \quad \text{END}; \\
\text{getchicken}(pp) &= \quad \text{PRE } pp:0..4 \land \text{canteen} > 0 \text{ THEN} \\
& \quad \text{canteen} := \text{canteen} - 1 \\
& \quad \text{END}; \\
\text{eat}(pp) &= \quad \text{SELECT } pp:0..4 \text{ THEN} \\
& \quad \text{state}(pp) := \text{state}(pp) + 1 \\
& \quad \text{END}; \\
\text{cook} &= \quad \text{BEGIN} \\
& \quad \text{chef} := \text{chef} + 4 \\
& \quad \text{END}; \\
\text{put} &= \quad \text{BEGIN} \text{canteen} := \text{canteen} + 4 \parallel \text{chef} := \text{chef} - 4 \text{ END}
\end{align*}
\]

END

Figure 7.3: The B machine of the Wot-no-chicken example

The reader may find that the two machine variables \textit{state} and \textit{chef} are not interesting in this specification. They seems just making some state changes without much meaning. We keep them in the machine in order to use them in later Section 7.3 to demonstrate a decomposition approach. In Appendix B.3, we presents a part of Java source codes for this example.

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{MAIN} &= \text{Chef} \parallel \text{XPhil} \parallel \text{PHILS} ;; \\
\text{PHILS} &= ||X:0,1,2,3@\text{Phil}(X);; \\
\text{Phil}(X) &= \text{thinking}.X \rightarrow \text{getchicken}.X \rightarrow \text{eat}.X \rightarrow \text{Phil}(X);; \\
\text{XPhil} &= \text{getchicken}.4 \rightarrow \text{eat}.4 \rightarrow \text{XPhil};; \\
\text{Chef} &= \text{cook} \rightarrow \text{put} \rightarrow \text{Chef} ;;
\end{align*}
\]

Figure 7.4: The CSP spec of the Wot-no-chicken example: Model 1

An alternative model is specified in Figure 7.5. As the B machine is the same as the first one in Figure 7.3, only the CSP specification is given here. This model explicitly uses a multi-way synchronization on the put channel to force all the philosophers and the chef to synchronize.
\[
\begin{align*}
\text{MAIN} &= \text{Chef} \parallel \{ \text{put} \} \parallel \text{PhilA}(4) \parallel \{ \text{put} \} \parallel \text{PHILS} ;; \\
\text{PHILS} &= \{ \{ \text{put} \} \} \{X;\{0,1,2,3\} @\text{Phil}(X) \} ;; \\
\text{Phil}(X) &= \text{thinking}.X \to \text{PhilA}(X) ;; \\
\text{PhilA}(X) &= \text{put} \to \text{PhilA}(X) \parallel \text{getchicken}.X \to \text{eat}.X \to \\
&\quad \text{if}(X == 4) \\
&\quad \text{then} \text{PhilA}(4) \\
&\quad \text{else} \text{Phil}(X) \\
\text{Chef} &= \text{cook} \to \text{put} \to \text{Chef} ;;
\end{align*}
\]

Figure 7.5: Formal specification of Wot-no-chicken example, Model 2

7.2.1.1 Assertion Check and Results

The experimental evaluation test is based on the two models specified above. In the first part of the evaluation, we test the safety and deadlock-freeness properties on the two channels. In Table 7.1, the test results on these properties are demonstrated. The Timing column indicates how many different timing configurations are tested with the model, and the Steps column shows the lengths of the runtime records we collected. As the concurrent Java applications constructed with the JCSProB package need to preserve the same safety and deadlock-freeness properties as their formal models, it partially demonstrates the correctness of the JCSProB package, as well as the translation tool.

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<th>Property</th>
<th>Processes</th>
<th>Timing</th>
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<td>Model 1</td>
<td>Safety/Invariant</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>1000</td>
<td>√</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Model 2</td>
<td>Deadlock-freeness</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>1000</td>
<td>√</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Model 3</td>
<td>Safety/Invariant</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>1000</td>
<td>√</td>
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Table 7.1: The experimental result: Safety and Deadlock-freeness

To test the bounded fairness properties on the target Java programs at runtime, we first need to generate various traces from the concurrent Java programs. In the configuration file of the GUI program, we can define various timing configurations for generating traces for the program. The GUI can force the process to sleep for a fixed time period. In this way, we can explicitly animate formal models with specific timing settings for experimental purposes. Then we employ the fairness assertions check on Java programs embedded with timing settings. The target of this experiment is to practically animate the Java/JCSProB applications, and evaluate their runtime performances with the bounded fairness properties.

In Table 7.2, we show the experimental results of the two models with bounded fairness properties. Frequency 1, 2, and 3 are three different frequency assertion settings (duration and occurrence, Section 5.7.3). For each property, we use five different timing
settings; and for each timing setting, the Java program is tested in five runs. In the result column of the table, \textit{18P7F} means in 25 runs, the check passes 18 times and fails 7 times.

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<th>Model Name</th>
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<tr>
<td>Model 1</td>
<td>Frequency 1</td>
<td>All</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>4P21F</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Model 1’</td>
<td>Frequency 2</td>
<td>Phils+XPhil</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>1P24F</td>
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<td>Frequency 3</td>
<td>Phils</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>23P2F</td>
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<td>Model 2</td>
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<td>All</td>
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<td>150</td>
<td>5P20F</td>
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<td>Model 2’</td>
<td>Frequency 2</td>
<td>Phils+XPhil</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>0P25F</td>
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<td>Frequency 3</td>
<td>Phils</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>24P1F</td>
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Table 7.2: The experimental result: Bounded Fairness Properties

The assertions check also concerns different process groups. In the tests on Model 1 and Model 2, both the philosophers and the chef processes are recorded for assertions check. In model Model 1’ and Model 2’, only the philosopher processes are checked. In Model 1” and Model 2”, the greedy philosopher is removed and only normal philosopher processes are tested. The testing shows that generated Java programs provide useful simulations for their formal model. It is used to explore and discover the behaviour properties which cannot be verified in PROB model checking.

7.3 Composition of JCSProB Programs

In section, we use two examples to demonstrate a practical composition attempt for the combined B+CSP model, and the JCSProB programs generated from them. In [BL05], only one B and CSP specification pair is allowed, which also applies to the PROB model checker, which means only one such specification pair can be model checked in PROB. However, as the B+CSP semantics also allow CSP communication channels, it is possible and reasonable to connect two specification pair through communication channels. Similar technique [STE05] has been applied in the CSP||B approach for composing different specification pairs.

7.3.1 Composition: Odd-Even example

In [STE05], an Odd-Even example is presented. In this example, two B and CSP specification pairs are connected through their CSP controllers. The Odd machine only receives and keeps odd number, whereas the Even machine only keeps even number. The controllers of the two machines communicate with each other for the values. For convenience, Figure 7.6 reproduces Figure 2.2 here to specify this example.
The two B+CSP specification pairs are connected through two CSP communication channels, *oddpass* and *evenpass*. The CSP part of the *Even* model first receives a data *Z* from the the *Odd* model through the *oddpass* channel. As the value of the data from the *Odd* is an odd number, the CSP increases the number by 1 and uses the increased number as an input data to call the combined event *evenput*. The B machine *Even* has a state variable even for the even number. It provides a corresponding B operation *evenput* which gets the data from its corresponding CSP channel, and also has an *evenget* operation for outputting the data value of even to CSP. After the CSP controller receives the data *W* from the combined *evenget* event, it sends the data out through the *evenpass* channel. The function of the *Odd* model is very similar to *Even*, except the B machine *Odd* keeps the state of odd numbers. Figure 7.7 graphically illustrates the communication in this example.

In PROB, we managed to model check the two specification pairs separately. With our JCSProB translator, we can generate two separate Java programs from the models. However, one B+CSP pair in this example only contains one end of a communication channel, while the other end of the channel is in the other specification pair. The model would wait for the channel input or output from the other end. The PROB tool can use its enumeration mechanism to produce the response for the channel call. In JCSProB, we implement special channel-end classes to display channel output to the user, and allow the user to provide data for channel input. Appendix B.4.1 presents the main Java class of the *Even* model. In the class, the *oddpass* channel is declared as the *Ext2OneGUIChannel* class, which is one of the channel-end classes from JCSProB.

The CSP part of the *Even* model requires a channel input from the *oddpass* channel. As the Java program is generated from the *Even* model, it does not have the output-end of this channel which is in the *Odd* model. The translator can detect the absence of the output-end, and employs a message box from the channel-end class to allow the user to...
input data for the channel call. Figure 7.8 shows the screenshot of data input for the oddpass channel in the Even model.

The Java program generated from the Even model lacks the output-end of oddpass, and the input-end of evenpass, whereas the Odd model lacks the input-end of oddpass, and the output-end of evenpass. If we can connect the two programs together using the oddpass and evenpass channel, it would create a program which implements the whole system model. It is actually very easy to do that. We just need to put the main classes of the two programs together, and replace the four channel-end classes in the two programs with two JCSP communication channels. Appendix B.4.2 shows the main Java class of the combined JCSProB program. In the OddEven_run class, the evenpass and oddpass

**Figure 7.7:** The communication in the Odd-Even example

**Figure 7.8:** Data input for communication channel
channels are declared as JCSP communication channels, which are passed to the Odd and Even models as arguments.

Figure 7.9 shows a screenshot of the combined Java program. Each of the two models runs in different GUI frames, and maintains its own states. They communicate with each other through the two communication channels. Both automatic execution and manual animation of this program practically demonstrated that the composed program correctly implements the CSP $\parallel B$ model specified in Figure 7.6.

7.3.2 Decomposition: Wot-no-chicken

Both wot-no-chicken models showed in Section 7.2 contain multiple processes in their CSP specification. In this section, we practically decomposed the B+CSP model in Figure 7.3 and Figure 7.4 into several distributed modules. Each of this decomposed module is a combined B and CSP specification pair. All these modules are connected together through CSP communication channels. In Section 8.2.3, we give a discussion on this decomposition effort.

The combined model defined in Figure 7.3 and Figure 7.4 contain multiple processes, and just one B machine for maintaining the system state. Large scale complex systems are usually distributed system which consists of multiple locations in a network environment. Each of these locations has its own physical memory and thus maintains its own memory state. To model such a system, it is ideal if the system model can have multiple modules. Each of these module should maintain its own state, and can be deployed on an independent location in the distributed system.

It is also not safe to keep all the data variables in a single state machine or memory, because it is not easy to restrict data access control from various processes. In this example, the B variable state consists an array of the data for indicating a kind of status of all the philosophers. However, because all the data variables are globally visible to all the processes, it is possible for a process to directly access, or even update the status variables of other processes. Considering both scalability and data safe issues, it should be better to decompose such a model into a distributed model with multiple modules, where each module maintains its own state or physical/virtual memory, and communicates with each other through communication channels.

First Step: Refining the CSP

The CSP specification in Figure 7.4 does not explicitly express the canteen as an entity. In the implementation, we expect a canteen module which maintains the B state variable canteen and runs an independent module. Therefore, for the first step, we refines the
Figure 7.9: The GUI program of the combined Odd-Even model
CSP specification by introducing the Canteen process. Figure 7.10 presents the new CSP specification with the Canteen process.

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{MAIN} = & \text{Chef} \parallel \text{Canteen} \parallel \text{XPHIL} \\
\text{PHILS} = & \\
\text{PHILS} = & |||X:0,1,2,3@\text{Phil}(X)|||
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{Phil}(X) = & \text{thinking}.X \rightarrow \text{getchicken}.X \rightarrow \text{eat}.X \rightarrow \text{Phil}(X)|||
\text{XPhil} = & \text{getchicken}.4 \rightarrow \text{eat}.4 \rightarrow \text{XPhil}|
\text{Chef} = & \text{cook} \rightarrow \text{put} \rightarrow \text{Chef }|||
\text{Canteen} = & \text{CProc} \parallel \text{PProc }|||
\text{CProc} = & \text{put} \rightarrow \text{CProc }|||
\text{PProc} = & \text{getchicken}.X \rightarrow \text{PProc }|||
\end{align*}
\]

\[\text{Figure 7.10: The Wot-no-chicken example: introducing the Canteen process}\]

**Second Step: Decomposing Chef and Canteen**

To decompose the B machine specified in Figure 7.3, we need to justify which the relation between the B state variables and the CSP processes regarding the events used in each process. In this example, the model is decomposed into three modules: Chef, Canteen and Phils. Figure 7.11 illustrates the connections between three decomposed modules. The specification of this decomposed model can be find in Appendix C.1.

\[\text{Figure 7.11: The decomposed wot-no-chicken model: Step 2}\]

The variable chef, which shows the number of chicken in chef’s hand, is updated by the put and cook operations in the B machine. The two corresponding CSP channels only appear in the Chef process. So for this variable, we can easily divide it into a new machine for the Chef process. The new machine contains the chef variable, and the two operations, put and cook. The situation for the put operation is more complex than that of cook, as it also updates another B variable canteen. That means the combine event put also belongs to another decomposed module Canteen, which contains the B variable canteen. We decomposed the put operation into two B operations which belong to two different modules. The Chef module has an event put1, which updates the B variable chef.
in the Chef machine, whereas the Canteen module has an event put2, which updates variable canteen in the Canteen machine. The two events are connected through a communicate channel put\_chicken between the two modules. The above decomposition step transforms an atomic B operation with two parallel data transition into two B operations on two separate B machines, and the two new B operations communicate through a CSP channel.

The other decomposed B operation is getchicken. Although it only update the canteen variable from the Canteen module, it is a synchronized event. The philosopher processes synchronize with the Canteen process on this event. Although the event does not update any state variable on the B machine of the Phils module, the philosopher processes need the output data from this event as a data input. Therefore, the getchicken event is decomposed into a combined event getchicken in the Canteen module, and a communication channel take between Canteen and Phils.

**Final Step: Decomposing the Philosophers**

In the previous step, all the philosopher processes still remain in the same module. The state variable state consists of an array of natural numbers which indicate the status of all the philosophers. The philosopher processes update the state variable using the think and eat events. When decomposing the B machine, each array element of state is treated as an individual state variable for its corresponding philosopher process. As there is no direct communication or synchronization between these processes and the state variables can be clearly decomposed, we do not need to decompose any B operation. Each of the decomposed modules keeps a copy of the two B operations which update its state variables. The Phils module is finally be decomposed into four normal philosopher modules Phil, and a greedy philosopher module XPhil. In Appendix C.2, the specification of the decomposed Phil and XPhil modules are presented.

In [But93, But96, But06], similar event-based decomposition technique has been applied on classical B and Event-B. We give a discussion of this in Section 8.2.3.

In our experiments, each module of this decomposed model is model checked in the PROB tool, and also translated into Java programs. Finally, we employs the composition technique used in Section 7.3.1 to compose all the generated Java programs together. Then we test the two Java programs, one generated from the abstract model and the other from the decomposed model. The result does not show any difference in the behaviours of the two programs, except the decomposed one maintains its state on separate modules.
Chapter 8

Discussion

In this chapter, we draw some conclusions on the current development of this work, and discuss related techniques. We also propose several possible future research and development areas, which can improve the scalability and usability of this work.

8.1 Conclusions

This work was motivated by the recent trends on integrating state- and event- based formal methods for achieving a more expressive specification language. Our work is to implement such a combined B and CSP specification [BL05] in the Java language. The JCSP package [WM00b] gave us an important inspiration on constructing runnable applications from formal specifications.

We first examined the B+CSP semantics in ProB, and found it is too flexible and non-deterministic for implementation purposes. Thus, we developed a restricted semantics for combining B operations and CSP channels. The restriction is weak enough to allow most B+CSP models in ProB to be expressed, and is also strong enough to give clear synchronization and dataflow patterns between B operations and CSP channels, making it possible to be implemented in a conventional programming language, e.g. Java. The synchronization pattern of the restricted semantics is a multi-way synchronizing rendezvous: multiple CSP processes can synchronize on a combined event; the CSP channel and the B operation of a combined event need to synchronize with each other on the enablement of the event; there are state changes inside the combined event.

We also introduced the JCSProB package, which implements the restricted B+CSP semantics in Java. Although the development of the package is inspired by the development of JCSP and is partially based on JCSP, it is different from JCSP because of the semantics of B+CSP. The target of combined event implementations is to implement the multi-way synchronizing rendezvous pattern. We argue that in order to provide a safe
and effective multi-way synchronization implementation, the guarded external choice decisions of a system should be made in a sequential order. Thus we implemented a multi-way synchronization for the JCSProB event classes using a similar algorithm to [Bag89]. We also presented a new thread/process mechanism, which targets providing a memory-efficient solution for implementing CSP recursion. In the implementation, a process object can create and call a new process object without causing Java stack overflow error. This allows complex mutual recursions to be used in the CSP part of the combined specification. Additionally, we also developed a GUI package for the Java programs constructed with JCSProB. The GUI package and the configuration file allow user interactions with the underlying JCSProB programs. The GUI package also supports runtime checking on invariants, and user-defined assertions.

We constructed a set of translation rules, which formally define the correspondence between the B+CSP specification language and Java/JCSProB. We also developed an automated translation tool for implementing the translation rules. The translation tool is developed as an add-on to the PROB tool, which means users can automatically generate runnable Java programs from developed B+CSP specifications in PROB.

We tested and evaluated this work through a number of experiments. We evaluated the expressivity of the restricted B+CSP semantics, explore the coverage of both the semantics and the translation. The examples are also tested with fairness assertions to evaluate their behavioural properties. The scalability of this development strategy was also discussed with practical composition and decomposition efforts.

8.2 Related Works and Discussions

8.2.1 The Circus Translation

In Section 2.3.1.5, we introduced the Circus [WC01] specification language, and in Section 3.3.4 briefly discussed the automated translation [OC04, FC06] from Circus to Java programs using JCSP [WM00b]. It probably is the most closely related work to ours as it also translates integrated state- and event-based formal specifications into Java programs, and makes use of the JCSP package in its translation. Furthermore, it develops a GUI for user interaction with the generated Java programs.

A significant advantage of Circus is that it has formally defined refinement and composition rules for the integrated models, whereas such rules are still unavailable for B+CSP. With the refinement technique, an abstract Circus model can be developed into concrete models with refinement proofs. Therefore, currently, the Circus translation is based on a more mature integrated formal model, and provides a better scalability on development than our approach. More discussion on this issue can be found in Section 8.2.4.
The *Circus* translation makes use of the JCSP package to implement the semantics of the *Circus* specification language. However, as JCSP is mainly based on CSP/occam, the translation has many limitations. For example, it only allows use of the JCSP communication channels and barrier for communication. It does not support external choice with multi-way synchronization. Therefore, the *Circus* semantics that can be put into the translation are restricted. The restriction is mainly because of the incompatibility between the different CSP subsets [OC04] supported by *Circus* and JCSP. In Section 5.1.2, we described pragmatic difficulties (memory problems) in the direct implementation in JCSP of unbounded mutual tail recursion (a common idiom in CSP). This was solved with a new thread/process mechanism that efficiently hands over the executing thread of one process to another, allowing the memory resources of the first process to be reclaimed. Surprisingly, the *Circus* translation allows an existing process to directly create and call new process objects without modifying the thread/process structure in JCSP.

The GUI programs generated by the *Circus* translator contain simple graphical interfaces, and allow limited interaction with the user. Neither the system behaviours nor the system states are clearly displayed on the GUI. Our GUI package provides a better interaction with the user, and the GUI are configurable and extendable. Also, our GUI package supports runtime checking on invariants and user defined assertions, which presents useful features for evaluating behaviour properties of the generated Java programs.

### 8.2.2 Event-B and RODIN

The Event-B language [MAV05b] has recently evolved from the classical B-Method [Abr96] as a new generation of state-based formal modelling and development methodology. It has been developed as an essential part of the EU project RODIN. Unlike classical B, Event-B does not have a fixed syntax definition, which provides better expandability to new language constructs. The RODIN tool platform [ABHV06] is an open development environment for Event-B. Basically, it provides modeling, refinement and mathematical proof support for Event-B specifications.

Ongoing development in Event-B includes a RODIN plug-in development which maps an intermediate language, Object-oriented Concurrent-B (OC-B), to both Event-B models and Java programs. The new notation sits at the interface between Event-B and Java. A model specified using OC-B can be used for building a formal Event-B model. It is also can be translated into concurrent Java program. At the time of writing, this work remains unpublished.

It would be very useful to evolve the integrated B+CSP specifications from classical B to Event-B, and move the development environment from PROB to the RODIN platform.
As the semantics of Event-B is based on that of classical B, it would be feasible to develop an integrated Event-B and CSP model. Also, as Event-B and the RODIN platform provide very good expandability, it should not be difficult to introduce CSP to Event-B, or implement the translation in the RODIN platform. The definition of the integrated Event-B and CSP semantics, as well as its refinement and composition rules, would be the most important part of this future development.

8.2.3 Composition and Decomposition of B+CSP models

Being an event-based formal approach, CSP has a convenient way to practise composition and decomposition. The sequential and parallel composition structures can easily model the composition between different subsystems. Processes from different subsystems can use shared events to interact and communicate with each others.

A system model in B is an action system [BKS83b], which consists a number of state variables and uses some guarded atomic operations to change the system state. A B model specifies an isolated reactive system. For large scale, distributed systems, the system model should be able to be decomposed into parallel subsystems. Each of these subsystems maintains its own state, and can be refined or further decomposed into more concrete models.

In both the classical B method and the new Event-B, there are composition and decomposition approaches for constructing large-scale distributed system. In [MAV05a], a state-based composition and decomposition is proposed for the Event-B specification language. This technique is based on shared variables between subsystems. The shared variables are forced to be refined in the same functional manner on different subsystems. This restriction creates dependency among compositional subsystems.

On the other hand, Butler developed an event-based composition and decomposition technique [But93, But96, But97, But06] for both classical B and Event-B. The event-based composition and decomposition approach models the interaction between subsystems using message passing on shared actions. The idea this approach is based on the CSP semantics, and the correspondence between action systems and CSP, which was introduced in [Mor90].

In principle, an abstract B+CSP model should be able to be decomposed into a compositional model with multiple subsystems. To carry out such a system development, it would be better to decompose the system specification in the early design stages of the development process. Then each subsystem can be refined or further decomposed independently. A subsystem maintains its own state variables in the B machine, and the CSP specification defines the behaviour of the subsystem. It uses internal data transitions from the B part to change the state of the system. The CSP part of the combined specification specifies behaviours of the system, and the communication with
other subsystems. Composition and decomposition rules should define the allowed transformation for decomposing an abstract model into parallel subsystems, and the formal proofs for verifying their refinement. One important feature of the composition rule is that a subsystem should be refined or further decomposed independently from the rest the system.

Unfortunately, the composition and decomposition rules of B+CSP have not been formally defined, and PROB only supports model checking on one B and CSP specification pair. The CSP∥B approach developed a composition technique [ST05] for its combined model through message passing. In CSP∥B, a B machine communicates with its CSP controller, and various CSP controllers can communicate with each other through shared CSP channels. So far as we know, there is no direct tool support for the CSP∥B models, so it provides a compositional verification approach, which includes several steps using various tools, to verify the consistency of the compositional models.

Arguably, the restricted semantics of B+CSP discussed in Section 4.3 is very close to the semantics of CSP∥B models. It should be possible to develop a similar composition technique for B+CSP models. In Section 7.3, we tested a CSP∥B example from [STE05] in the PROB environment. We model checked the two compositional components separately, and generated Java programs from the two models. Although we still cannot combine the verification results from PROB into a compositional correctness proof, the effort of model checking a CSP∥B component using PROB can still help the CSP∥B development by simplifying the verification procedures. We believe it is also possible to establish a connection between the CSP∥B and B+CSP approaches.

The practical composition and decomposition efforts in Section 7.3 can also be compared with the event-based composition and decomposition technique used in [But96] and [But06]. Although that approach is based on pure state-based formal specifications, the composition of multiple B/Event-B machines is defined based on the CSP semantics and Morgan’s work in [Mor90]. The composition of B operations (or Event-B events) from different machines are composed using parallel and hiding semantics from CSP. It would be ideal if we can utilize the formal basis of this technique to develop a similar composition for B+CSP.

Comparing the experimental attempts in Section 7.3 with existing composition/decomposition approaches shows that it is possible to develop a similar compositional development technique for B+CSP. Also, the JCSProB package and the translation showed good support for this potential composition approach. Developing such formal composition rules and technique would be a promising future work for the B+CSP development.
8.2.4 Refinement Rules for B+CSP

Currently, refinement rules for B+CSP are also unavailable, which means the user does not have systematic techniques for developing B+CSP models.

*Circus* [WC01], which also integrates state- and event- based formal methods, has developed refinement rules [CSW03] for its combined specification. The refinement rules of *Circus* inherit the *correct-by-construction* style refinement rules from the Z method, and extend them with refinement rules for the CSP part. The *correct-by-construction* style refinement defines a series of rules on the transformations from an abstract model to a more concrete one. Each of these transformation steps guarantees refinement. As the transformation targets, which the user can get, are strictly defined in the refinement rules, it sometimes restricts the freedom of development.

The refinement development in the B method is slightly different. It employs a *posit-and-prove* approach, in which the developer provides both the abstract and refinement models. The refinement rules define what kinds of proof obligations need to be proved to guarantee refinement, and usually this step is done by the proof obligation generation tool. Many proof obligations can be proved automatically using theorem provers. In some cases, *gluing invariants* need to be introduced to help proving some proof obligations, which cannot be automatically proved by the prover.

The user gets more freedom on building the refinement model from the *posit-and-prove* approach. But it is not so easy to define the refinement rules for discovering proof obligations. Especially, for the integrated formal specifications, it is more difficult to define proof obligation rules across various specification languages. That is the main reason why there are still no refinement rules for the B+CSP model.

One possible solution is restricting the allowable refinement transformation for B+CSP using the *correct-by-construction* style refinement rules. There also should be *posit-and-prove* rules which are used to generate proof obligations for handling the possible side conditions brought by the *correct-by-construction* rules. This can reduce the complexity of defining such refinement rules, although it would probably limit the development of the refinement model at the same time. Certainly, more investigation work is still required to justify a proper method for developing such a solution. It would be a very important breakthrough for the B+CSP development to have the refinement rules developed.

8.2.5 Compatibility with JCSP

Although we developed a new JCSProB package, many JCSP classes are also used in the development. The main compatibility issue between JCSP and JCSProB is on our implementation of external choice in JCSProB. In Section 5.2, we explained that a combined JCSProB event object cannot be put into the same external choice with a
JCSP channel object, because we implement the external choice with a different class \textit{Alter} from the \textit{Alternative} class used in JCSP.

That is because when we started to develop the JCSProB package, the \textit{AltingBarrier} class, which supports guarded external choice with multi-way synchronization, still had not been introduced to the JCSP package. Now as the multi-way synchronization has been fully implemented in JCSP, it is possible to re-implement the synchronization guard of the combined B+CSP event using the \textit{AltingBarrier} class. That would make the event classes using compatible synchronization guards as the JCSP channels, and would remove the current restriction on external choice.

In Section 5.5.4, we discussed the extra cost introduced by the JCSProB thread container in sequential composition. Each child process introduces a new thread container, which can be unnecessary in many cases. A possible solution is proposed. Before running a child process object in a sequential composition, we first test if the process introduce recursion. If yes, the process object should be run inside a new thread container, otherwise, it should be run just inside the thread container of the parent process to avoid extra cost. To test the if a process has recursion, the process or its thread container needs to keep a tree of its descendant process objects. And the tree needs to be built when the process object is created, and before the process starts to run. We will compare the cost introduced by the this solution with the current one to see if it is substantial to implement such a feature.

### 8.2.6 Formal Correctness Verification for the JCSProB

A correctness verification for the translation is also a potential future development. In [RRS03, OC04], the translations are discussed without considering the correctness proofs. Formal verification which proves the correctness of the translation in terms of semantic models of the specification and Java programs respectively would be the best solution. We propose a more modest approach based on [WM00a] for future work.

In [WM00a], the correctness of the JCSP communication channel classes is verified. Each JCSP channel class (i.e. Java implementation) is formally specified as a CSP model. The desired channel behaviour (which the JCSP class implements) is also specified using CSP. The FDR tool [For03] is employed to verify equivalent between the two CSP models. The proving strategy starts with the simple \textit{One2OneChannel} class without alternation, and gradually builds formal models for more complex JCSP channel classes.

To verify the correctness of the event class in JCSProB, a similar strategy is proposed to prove that the Java implementation refines the B+CSP semantics. First, a B+CSP model for the event class is constructed. Then, the concerned behaviour of the combined B+CSP event is also specified using B+CSP. As the PROB tool supports refinement
checking between B+CSP models, we can check if the event class correctly implements the B+CSP semantics.

Constructing B+CSP models for the JCSPoB implementations of the B+CSP events with full functionality would be a difficult task. It would be better to starting with abstract models of event classes with limited functionality, and gradually building concrete models with more complex B+CSP semantics.
Appendix A

Translation Rules

**Rule 0.** Translator ⇒

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{BStateClass} & \quad \text{BSetClasses}[BSets] \\
\text{ProcessClasses}[Procs] & \quad \text{EventClasses}[Evs] \\
\{\text{XMLConfiguration}\}(\text{GUI}) & \\
\text{MainClass} & 
\end{align*}
\]

**B+CSP:** \(\text{Clause_sets} \vdash 'SETS' BSets\)

**Supplement:** \(Procs\) include all the CSP processes in the B+CSP model

**Supplement:** \(Evs\) include all the B+CSP events in the B+CSP model

**Rule 1.** \(\text{BStateClass} \Rightarrow\)

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{PackageDef} & \\
\text{ClassHeader} & \\
\text{public class MachName}_{-} \text{machine extends JcspVar}\{ \\
\text{VarsDecl}[\text{Vars}] & \\
\text{ConstsDecl}[\text{Consts}] & \\
\text{BStateConstructor} & \\
\text{BStateCheck} & \\
\{\text{BVarsVec}\}(\text{GUI}) & \\
\}
\end{align*}
\]

**B+CSP:** \(\text{Clause_variables} \vdash 'VARIABLES' Vars\)

**B+CSP:** \(\text{Clause_constants} \vdash 'CONSTANTS' Consts\)
**Rule 1.1.** $\text{VarDecl}[	ext{Vars}] \Rightarrow \text{VarDecl}[	ext{Var}]^*$

$B+CSP: \text{Vars} \vdash \text{Var}^*$

**Rule 1.1.1.** $\text{VarDecl}[	ext{Var}] \Rightarrow \text{Type}[	ext{Var}] \text{Var_Name}[	ext{Var}] ';'$

**Rule 1.2.** $\text{ConstsDecl}[	ext{Consts}] \Rightarrow \text{ConstDecl}[	ext{Const}]^*$

$B+CSP: \text{Consts} \vdash \text{Const}^*$

**Rule 1.2.1.** $\text{ConstDecl}[	ext{Const}] \Rightarrow \text{Type}[	ext{Const}] \text{Var_Name}[	ext{Const}] ';'$

**Rule 1.3.** $\text{BStateConstructor} \Rightarrow$

```java
public \text{MachName} \'_machine\'(\text{String \text{MachName}})\{'
    \text{super}(''\text{MachName}'');'
    \text{VarsInit}[	ext{Vars}]
    \text{ConstsInit}[	ext{Consts}]
    \{ \text{buildArgVec}'();' \}[\text{GUI}]
```

$B+CSP: \text{Clause}_\text{variables} \vdash '\text{VARIABLES}' \text{Vars}$

$B+CSP: \text{Clause}_\text{constants} \vdash '\text{CONSTANTS}' \text{Consts}$

**Rule 1.3.1.** $\text{VarsInit}[	ext{Vars}] \Rightarrow \text{VarsInit}[	ext{Var}]^*$

$B+CSP: \text{Vars} \vdash \text{Var}^*$

**Rule 1.3.2.** $\text{VarsInit}[	ext{Var}] \Rightarrow$

```java
\text{this}' . ' \text{Var_Name}[	ext{Var}] ' = ' \text{BExpr}[	ext{Var_Init}] ';'$
```

**Supplement:** $\text{Var_Init}$ is the initialization information for the variable $\text{Var}$ from the INITIALISATION clause of the B part.

**Rule 1.3.3.** $\text{ConstsInit}[	ext{Consts}] \Rightarrow \text{ConstsInit}[	ext{Const}]^*$

$B+CSP: \text{Consts} \vdash \text{Const}^*$
Rule 1.3.4. ConstInit[Const] ⇒

\[
\text{this'.' Var\_Name[Const] ' = ' BExpr[Const\_Init] ' ; '}
\]

Supplement: Const\_Init is the initialization information for the variable Const from the PROPERTIES or VALUES clause of the B part.

Rule 1.4. BStateCheck ⇒

\[
\text{public synchronized void check'()onertry' }\]
\[
\text{if'(! (' B\_Invs '))onertry)}\]
\[
\text{System'.'out'.'println }\]
\[
\text{'("Invariant check failed"));'}\]
\[
\{\text{RecordsFrame'.'getInstant'().'terminate'()};'}\]
\[
\text{this'.terminate();'}\]
\[
\text{ExceptionHandler}\]
\[
'\}
\]

Rule 2. BSetClasses[BSets] ⇒ BSetClass[BSet]*

\[\text{B+CSP: BSets }\vdash \text{BSet}^*\]

Rule 2.1. BSetClass[BSet] ⇒

\[
\text{PackageDef}
\]
\[
\text{ClassHeader}
\]
\[
\text{public enum Print[BSetName] '{'}\]
\[
\text{Print[Iden]+'}\]
\[
'}\]
\[
\text{B+CSP: BSet }\vdash \text{BSetName' }\vdash \{ ' Iden'+ ' }\]


\[\text{B+CSP: Procs }\vdash \text{Proc}^*\]
VirtualClassName[ProcName] extends {BCSP}{NoGUI} | {BGSP}{GUI} ‘ ’
  ProcChsDecl[Chs]
  ProcVarsDecl[Vars]
  ProcConstructor
  ProcRun[ProcBody]

Other + CSP: Proc ⊢ ProcHeader ‘ = ’ ProcBody
Other + CSP: ProcHeader ⊢ ProcName {('VarsList')}
Supplement: Chs consists of all the channels/events called by the process, or its sub-process
Supplement: Vars consists of all the variables used in the process

Rule 3.2. ProcChsDecl[Chs] ⇒ ProcChsDecl[Ch]*
Supplement: Chs ⊢ Ch *

Rule 3.2.1. ProcChsDecl[Ch] ⇒
  ChannelType[Ch] ChObjName[Ch] ‘ ; ’

Supplement: ProcVars ⊢ ProcVar *

Rule 3.3.1. ProcVarDecl[ProcVar] ⇒
  Type[ProcVar] ProcVarObj[ProcVar] ‘ ; ’

Rule 3.4. ProcConstructor ⇒
  public ProcClassName[ProcName] { ( ' ( ' ProcChsTypeList[Chs] { ', ' ChannelOutput conf { ', ' } } [GUI] }
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Rule 3.4.1. \[ \text{ProcChsTypeList(CHs)} \Rightarrow \text{ProcChType(CH)}^+,' \]

Supplement: CHs \(\vdash\) CH^*

Rule 3.4.1.1. \[ \text{ProcChType(CH)} \Rightarrow \text{ChannelType(CH)} \text{ChObjName(CH)} \]

Rule 3.4.2. \[ \text{ProcVarsTypeList(ProcVars)} \Rightarrow \]
\[ \text{ProcVarType(ProcVar)}^+,' \]

Supplement: ProcVars \(\vdash\) ProcVar^*

Rule 3.4.2.1. \[ \text{ProcVarType(ProcVar)} \Rightarrow \text{Type(ProcVar)} \text{ProcVarObj(ProcVar)} \]

Rule 3.4.3. \[ \text{ProcChsAssign(CHs)} \Rightarrow \text{ProcChAssign(CH)}^* \]

Supplement: CHs is all the channels/events involved in this process or its sub-processes.
Supplement: CHs \(\vdash\) CH^*

Rule 3.4.3.1. \[ \text{ProcChAssign(CH)} \Rightarrow \]
\[ \text{this}^{'},'\text{ChObjName(CH)} = \text{ChObjName(CH)}^{'};' \]

Rule 3.4.4. \[ \text{ProcVarsAssign(ProcVars)} \Rightarrow \text{ProcAssign(ProcVar)}^* \]

Supplement: ProcVars \(\vdash\) ProcVar^*
**Rule 3.4.4.1.** \( \text{ProcVarAssign}[\text{ProcVar}] \Rightarrow \)
\[
\text{this'.'ProcVarObj}[\text{ProcVar}] \text{'='} \text{ProcVarObj}[\text{ProcVar}];'
\]

**Rule 3.5.** \( \text{ProcRun}[\text{ProcBody}] \Rightarrow \)
\[
\text{public void run}()\{ \\
\{\text{this'.'createGUIProc}();\}\text{[GUI]} \\
\{\text{start}();\}\text{[GUI]} \\
\text{ProcE}[\text{ProcBody}] \\
\{\text{end}();\}\text{[GUI]} \\
\}'\}
\]

**Rule 3.6.** \( \text{ProcE}[\text{ProcB}] \Rightarrow \)
\[
\text{ProcEParallel}[\text{ProcBParallel}] \\
| \text{ProcERep1Parallel}[\text{ProcBRep1Parallel}] \\
| \text{ProcEInterleave}[\text{ProcBInterleave}] \\
| \text{ProcERep1Interleave}[\text{ProcBRep1Interleave}] \\
| \text{ProcESequence}[\text{ProcBSequence}] \\
| \text{ProcEIfThen}[\text{ProcBIfThen}] \\
| \text{ProcEPrefix}[\text{ProcBPrefix}] \\
| \text{ProcEChoice}[\text{ProcBChoice}] \\
| \text{ProcERep1Choice}[\text{ProcBRep1Choice}] \\
| \text{ProcECall}[\text{ProcBCall}]
\]

\text{B+CSP:} \quad \text{ProcBody} \vdash \text{ProcBParallel} \\
| \text{ProcBRep1Parallel} \\
| \text{ProcBInterleave} \\
| \text{ProcBRep1Interleave} \\
| \text{ProcBSequence} \\
| \text{ProcBIfThen} \\
| \text{ProcBPrefix} \\
| \text{ProcBChoice} \\
| \text{ProcBRep1Choice} \\
| \text{ProcBCall}

**Rule 3.6.1.** \( \text{ProcEParallel}[\text{ProcBParallel}] \Rightarrow \)
\[
\text{ParaChsNums}[\text{Chs}] \\
\{ \text{new CSPParallel}'('\}\text{[NoGUI]} | \{ \text{parallelCtrl}(')\}\text{[GUI]}
\]
\begin{itemize}
  \item \text{new BCSProcess'}[\text{\{}\text{'}\text{\}}_{\text{NoGUI}}] | \{ \text{new BGProcess'}[\text{\{}\text{'}\text{\}}_{\text{GUI}}
  \text{CallProc}[\text{\{}\text{Proc}\text{\}}']\text{'}
  \text{'}\text{'}
  \text{'}\text{'}\text{\text{run'}(),\text{\{}\text{'\text{\}}}_{\text{NoGUI}} | \text{\{}\text{'}\text{\}'\text{\}}}_{\text{GUI}}
\end{itemize}

\text{B+CSP: } \text{ProcBParallel } \vdash \text{Proc'}'\text{''}

\text{Supplement: } Chs \text{ includes all the B+CSP events that have multi-way synchronizing.}

\text{Supplement: } Procs \text{ includes all the process in the parallel composition.}

\textbf{Rule 3.6.2.} \text{ParaChsNums}[Chs] \Rightarrow \text{ParaChNums}[Ch]^*

\text{Supplement: } Chs \vdash Ch^*

\textbf{Rule 3.6.2.1.} \text{ParaChNums}[Ch] \Rightarrow
\text{ChObjName}[Ch]'\text{'inc'\text{'\text{'}proces'\text{'\text{'}no'\text{'\text{'}Integer'\text{'};','}

\text{Supplement: } \text{Rule Integer here should be the number of processes which synchronize on the event Ch.}

\textbf{Rule 3.6.3.} \text{ProcReplParallel}[\text{ProcBReplParallel}] \Rightarrow
\text{ParaChsNums}[Chs]
\{ \text{new CSPParallel}'(\text{'}\text{\})_{\text{NoGUI}} | \{ \text{parallelCtrl'}(\text{'}\text{\})_{\text{GUI}}
\{ \text{new BCSProcess'}[\text{\{}\text{'}\text{\}}_{\text{NoGUI}} | \{ \text{new BGProcess'}[\text{\{}\text{'}\text{\}}_{\text{GUI}}
\text{CallProc}[\text{\{}\text{Proc}\text{\}}']\text{'}
\text{'}\text{'}
\text{'}\text{'}\text{\text{run'}(),\text{\{}\text{'\text{\}}}_{\text{NoGUI}} | \text{\{}\text{'}\text{\}'\text{\}}}_{\text{GUI}}
\text{B+CSP: } \text{ProcBReplParallel } \vdash \text{\{}\text{Chs} \text{\}} | x \in N@Proc

\textbf{Rule 3.6.4.} \text{CallProc}[\text{Proc}] \Rightarrow \text{CallProcNew}[\text{Proc}] | \text{CallProcExisting}[\text{Proc}]

\text{Supplement: } \text{The rule CallProcExisting is applied when a named process is called.}

\textbf{Rule 3.6.4.1.} \text{CallProcNew}[\text{Proc}] \Rightarrow
\{ \text{new BCSProcess'}(\text{'}\text{\})_{\text{NoGUI}} | \{ \text{new BGProcess'}(\text{'}\text{\})}_{\text{GUI}}
public void run'(){
    {this'.createGUIProc();'}[GUI]
    {start();'}[GUI]
    ProcE[ProcBody]
    { end();'}[GUI]
}'

B+CSP: Proc ⊢ ProcName' =! ProcBody

**Rule 3.6.4.2.** CallProcExist[Proc] ⇒
new ProcClassName[ProcName]'('
    ProcChsList[Chs]
    { configure','}[GUI]
    ProcVarsList[Vars]
')',

B+CSP: Proc ⊢ ProcName' =! ProcBody

Supplement: Chs includes all the channels/events called by the process

Supplement: ProcVars includes all the process variables in the process

**Rule 3.6.4.3.** ProcChsList[Chs] ⇒ ChObjName[Ch]+','

Supplement: Chs ⊢ Ch∗

**Rule 3.6.4.4.** ProcVarsList[Vars] ⇒ ProcVarObj[Var]+','

Supplement: Vars ⊢ Var∗

**Rule 3.6.5.** ProcEInterleave[ProcBInterleave] ⇒
{ new CSPParallel('', }[NoGUI] | { parallelCtrl('') }[GUI]
    { new BCSProcess[]{}[NoGUI] | { new BGProcess[]{} }[GUI]
        CallProc[Proc]+','
')'}
{ ‘) . run() ; ’ }\_\text{[NoGUI] } \mid \{ ‘) ; ’ }\_\text{[GUI]}

B+CSP: $\text{ProcBInterleave} \vdash \text{Proc}^+ \|$

\[\square\]

\textbf{Rule 3.6.6.} $\text{ProcBReplInterleave}[\text{ProcBReplInterleave}] \Rightarrow$
\[
\{ \text{new CSPParallel} (‘) \}_\text{[NoGUI]} \mid \{ \text{parallelCtrl} (‘) \}_\text{[GUI]}
\{ \text{new BCSProcess} (‘) \}_\text{[NoGUI]} \mid \{ \text{new BGProcess} (‘) \}_\text{[GUI]}
\text{CallProc}[\text{Proc}^+ ‘ \},
\{ ‘) . ‘run() ; ‘ }\_\text{[NoGUI] } \mid \{ ‘) ; ‘ }\_\text{[GUI]}
\]

B+CSP: $\text{ProcBInterleave} \vdash \|\| x \in \text{N@Proc}$

\[\square\]

\textbf{Rule 3.6.7.} $\text{ProcBSequence}[\text{ProcBSequence}] \Rightarrow$
\[
\{ \text{new CSPSequence} (‘) \}_\text{[NoGUI]} \mid \{ \text{sequenceCtrl} (‘) \}_\text{[GUI]}
\{ \text{new BCSProcess} (‘) \}_\text{[NoGUI]} \mid \{ \text{new BGProcess} (‘) \}_\text{[GUI]}
\text{CallProc}[\text{Proc}^+ ‘ \},
\{ ‘) . ‘run() ; ‘ }\_\text{[NoGUI] } \mid \{ ‘) ; ‘ }\_\text{[GUI]}
\]

B+CSP: $\text{ProcBSequence} \vdash \text{Proc}^+ ‘$

\[\square\]

\textbf{Rule 3.6.8.} $\text{ProcBIfThen}[\text{ProcBIfThen}] \Rightarrow$
\[
\text{if} ‘( ‘) \text{ProcCond}[\text{CSPcdn}] ‘( ‘)
\text{ProcE}[\text{ProcB}]
\{ ‘) \}
\{ \text{else} ‘
\text{ProcE}[\text{ProcB}]
\{ ‘) \}
\]

B+CSP: $\text{ProcBIfThen} \vdash ‘\text{if‘CSPcdn’t} \text{then‘ProcE} \{ ‘\text{else‘ProcE} \}$

\[\square\]

\textbf{Rule 3.6.9.} $\text{ProcBPrefix}[\text{ProcBPrefix}] \Rightarrow$
\[
\text{ChannelCalls}[\text{ChCall}]
\text{ProcE}[\text{ProcB}]
\]
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**B+CSP: ProcBPrefix ⊢ ChCall → ProcB**

**Rule 3.6.9.1.** ChannelCalls[ChCall] ⇒
\[\text{CombinedEventCall}[ChCall] \mid \text{CommChannelCall}[ChCall]\]

**Rule 3.6.9.2.** CombinedEventCall[ProcB] ⇒
\[\text{EventCall}[ChCall] \mid \text{EventReturn}[ChCall]\]

**Rule 3.6.9.3.** EventCall[Ev] ⇒
\[\{ \text{ChObjName}[Ev] \cdot \text{ready}\}\]
\[\{ \text{inputVec}('\text{newObject}'[])\}
\[\text{CSPExprList}[\text{CSPExpr}^*]\]
\[\}'\}\]
\[')';\}\,[\text{NoGUI}]
| \{ \text{channelCall}\}
\[\text{ChObjName}[Ev] \cdot \text{ready}\]
\[\{ ',' \text{inputVec}('\text{newObject}'[])\}
\[\text{CSPExprsList}[\text{CSPExpr}^*]\]
\[\}'\}\]
\[')';\}\,[\text{GUI}]

**CSP: Ev ⊢ EvName!'CSPExpr^***

**B: Ev ⊢ EvName!(’Exprs’)***

**Rule 3.6.9.4.** EventReturn[Ev] ⇒
\[\{ '\{ \text{Vector}<'\text{Object}'>' \text{rtnVec} '=' \text{ChObjName}[Ev] \cdot \text{ready}\}\]
\[\{ \text{inputVec}('\text{newObject}'[])\}
\[\text{CSPExprList}[\text{InExpr}^*]\]
\[\}'\}\]
\[')';\}\,[\text{NoGUI}]
| \{ '\{ \text{Vector}<'\text{Object}'>' \text{rtnVec} '=' \text{channelCall}\}'\]
\[\text{ChObjName}[Ev] \cdot \text{ready}\]
\[\{ ',' \text{inputVec}('\text{newObject}'[])\}
\[\text{CSPExprList}[\text{InExpr}^*]\]
\[\}'\}\]

\[\}][\text{NGUI}]
| \{ '\{ \text{Vector}<'\text{Object}'>' \text{rtnVec} '=' \text{channelCall}\}'\]
\[\text{ChObjName}[Ev] \cdot \text{ready}\]
\[\{ ',' \text{inputVec}('\text{newObject}'[])\}
\[\text{CSPExprList}[\text{InExpr}^*]\]
\[\}'\}\]

\[\}][\text{NGUI}]
| \{ '\{ \text{Vector}<'\text{Object}'>' \text{rtnVec} '=' \text{channelCall}\}'\]
\[\text{ChObjName}[Ev] \cdot \text{ready}\]
\[\{ ',' \text{inputVec}('\text{newObject}'[])\}
\[\text{CSPExprList}[\text{InExpr}^*]\]
\[\}'\}\]

\[\}][\text{NGUI}]
| \{ '\{ \text{Vector}<'\text{Object}'>' \text{rtnVec} '=' \text{channelCall}\}'\]
\[\text{ChObjName}[Ev] \cdot \text{ready}\]
\[\{ ',' \text{inputVec}('\text{newObject}'[])\}
\[\text{CSPExprList}[\text{InExpr}^*]\]
\[\}'\}\]

\[\}][\text{NGUI}]
| \{ '\{ \text{Vector}<'\text{Object}'>' \text{rtnVec} '=' \text{channelCall}\}'\]
\[\text{ChObjName}[Ev] \cdot \text{ready}\]
\[\{ ',' \text{inputVec}('\text{newObject}'[])\}
\[\text{CSPExprList}[\text{InExpr}^*]\]
\[\}'\}\]
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)[';
EventReturnValues[OutVars]
}\{GUI\}

CSP: Ev \vdash EvName'!'InExpr'?'OutVars
B: Ev \vdash OutVars ← EvName'('InVars')'

\textbf{Rule 3.6.9.4.1.} EventReturnValues[Vars] \Rightarrow EventReturnValue[Var]^*

\textbf{Supplement:} Vars \vdash Var^*

\textbf{Rule 3.6.9.4.2.} EventReturnValue[Var] \Rightarrow

ProcVarObj[Var] '\texttt{=}'; \texttt{rtnVec.elementAt}(' \texttt{Integer} ');'

\textbf{Supplement:} The \texttt{Integer} values are recursively generated from \textbf{Rule 3.6.9.4.1}

\textbf{Rule 3.6.9.5.} CommChannelCall[Ch] \Rightarrow

CommChannelRead[InputCh] \mid CommChannelWrite[OutputCh]

CSP: Ch \vdash InputCh \mid OutputCh

\textbf{Rule 3.6.9.5.1.} CommChannelRead[InputCh] \Rightarrow

\{ \texttt{ProcVarObj[Var] '\texttt{=}'; ChObjName[ChName] '.'read(');} \} \{\text{NoGUI}\}

\mid \{ \texttt{ProcVarObj[Var] '\texttt{=}'; channelRead('}

\texttt{ChObjName[ChName] '},' ChObjName[ChName]

\texttt{'));} \} \{\text{GUI}\}

CSP: InputCh \vdash ChName'?Var

\textbf{Rule 3.6.9.5.2.} CommChannelWrite[OutputCh] \Rightarrow

\{ \texttt{ChObjName[ChName] '.'write(' \texttt{ProcVarObj[Var]} ');} \} \{\text{NoGUI}\}

\mid \{ \texttt{channelWrite('}

\texttt{ChObjName[ChName] '},' ChObjName[ChName]

\texttt{'));} \} \{\text{GUI}\}
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CSP: \( \text{InputCh} \vdash \text{ChName}'?\text{Var} \)

\[ \]

**Rule 3.6.10.** \( \text{ProcEChoice}[\text{ProcBChoice}] \Rightarrow \) \( \text{ProcEChoiceJCSProB}[\text{ProcBChoice}] \) \( | \) \( \text{ProcEChoiceJCS}[\text{ProcBChoice}] \)

\[ \]

**Rule 3.6.10.1.** \( \text{ProcEChoiceJCSProB}[\text{ProcBChoice}] \Rightarrow \) \( \text{BCSPGuard}[] \) \( \text{in} \) \( '=' \) \( '{' \text{ProcChsList}[\text{ProcBPrefix}]+'}' \)

\( \text{Vector}'<\text{Vector}'<\text{Object}>>' \) \( \text{choiceVec} \)

\( '=' \) \( \text{new Vector}'<\text{Vector}'<\text{Object}>>() \)

\( \text{ChoiceValueAssign}[\text{ProcBPrefix}] \)

\{ \( \text{Alter alt} '=' \) \( \text{new Alter}'(\text{in}', \text{choiceVec} ')\); \}

\( \text{switch}'(\text{alt}', \text{select}()) \{ \)

\( \text{Choices}[\text{ProcBPrefix}] \)

\}' \}

\( [\text{NoGUI}] \)

\| \( \{ \text{switch}'(\text{choiceCtrl}'(\text{in}', \text{choiceVec}')) \{ \)

\( \text{Choice}[\text{ProcBPrefix}] \)

\}' \}

\( [\text{GUI}] \)

CSP: \( \text{ProcBChoice} \vdash \text{ProcBPrefix}+_'□' \)

\[ \]

**Rule 3.6.10.1.1.** \( \text{GuardsList}[\text{ProcBPrefix}] \Rightarrow \text{ChObjName}[\text{Ev}]+_'/' \)

CSP: \( \text{ProcBPrefix} \vdash \text{Ev} \rightarrow \text{ProcB} \)

\[ \]

**Rule 3.6.10.1.2.** \( \text{ChoiceValueAssign}[\text{ProcBPrefix}] \Rightarrow \) \( \{ \text{choiceVec}.'\text{addElement}'(\text{inputVec}'(\text{new Object}[]}\{ \)

\( \text{CSPExprList}[\text{CSPExpr}] \)

\}' \}

CSP: \( \text{ProcBPrefix} \vdash \text{Ev} \rightarrow \text{ProcB} \)

CSP: \( \text{Ev} \vdash \text{EvName}'!'\text{CSPExpr} | \text{EvName}'!'\text{CSPExpr}?'OutVars \)

\[ \]

**Rule 3.6.10.2.** \( \text{ProcEChoiceJCS}[\text{ProcBChoice}] \Rightarrow \) \( \text{Guard}[] \) \( \text{in} \) \( '=' \) \( '{' \text{ProcChsList}[\text{ProcBPrefix}]+'}' \)

\[ \]

CSP: ProcBChoice ⊨ ProcBPrefix+□'

Rule 3.6.10.3. Choices[ProcBPrefix*] ⇒

case Integer ‘:'

ChoicesRtnEv[ProcBPrefix]
| ChoicesRtnEvValue[ProcBPrefix]
| ProcE[ProcBPrefix]
break‘;’

CSP: ProcBPrefix ⊨ ChCall → ProcB
Supplement: When ChCall is a B+CSP event without output data, choose ChoicesRtnEv
Supplement: When ChCall is a B+CSP event with output data, choose ChoicesRtnEvValue
Supplement: When ChCall is a CSP communication channel, choose ProcE
Supplement: The rule Integer provides various values for all different repeatable instances of ProcBPrefix. It starts with 0, increasing by 1 each time.

CSP: ProcBPrefix ⊨ Ev → ProcB

Rule 3.6.10.3.2. ChoicesRtnEvValue[ProcBPrefix] ⇒

{ ‘{’

Vector‘<’Object‘>’ rtnVec
  ‘=’ ChObjName[ChName] ‘.’output‘.’return‘();’
EventReturnValues[OutVars]
‘}’ }[NGUI]
| { ‘{’

Vector‘<’Object‘>’ rtnVec
  ‘=’ choiceRtn‘( ChObjName[ChName] ’);’

}
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\[
\text{EventReturnValues[OutVars]}\]
\[
\}\{\text{GUI}\}
\]

**CSP:** \(\text{ProcBPrefix} \vdash \text{Ev'?OutVars | Ev'!CSPExpr'+?OutVars} \rightarrow \text{ProcB}\)

**Rule 3.6.11.** \([\text{ProcERplChoice}] \Rightarrow \text{ProcERplChoice} = \text{ProcBChoice}\)

**Rule 3.6.12.** \([\text{ProcECall}] \Rightarrow \text{nextProcCtrl}'( \text{CallProcExist(ProcBCall)'})';\)

**Rule 4.** \([\text{EventClasses}] \Rightarrow \text{EventClass}[\text{Ev}]^\ast\)

Supplement: \(\text{Ev} \vdash \text{Ev}^\ast\)

**Rule 4.1.** \([\text{EventClass}] \Rightarrow \text{PackageDef}\)

\text{ClassHeader}

\text{public class EventClassName}[\text{Ev}] \text{extends EventType}[\text{Ev}] ' {
  \text{MachName} 'machine var';'
  \text{EventVarsDecl}[\text{BOpVars}]
  \text{EventConstructor}[\text{Ev}]
  \{\text{EventInputMethod}[\text{BInVars}]\}
  \{\text{EventOutputMethod}[\text{BOutVars}]\}
  \text{EventRun}[\text{BOpBody}]
  \{\text{EventPrecondition}[\text{BOpBody}]\}
'\}

\text{B:} \text{Ev} \vdash \text{BOutVars} \leftarrow \text{EvName}('\text{BInVars'}')\text{BOpBody}

Supplement: \(\text{BOpVars} \vdash \text{BOpInVarsBOpOutVarsy}\)

**Rule 4.2.** \([\text{EventVarsDecl}[\text{BOpVars}]] \Rightarrow \{\text{BVarType}[\text{BOpVar}]\text{Print}[\text{BOpVar}]\}^\ast;'

\text{B:} \text{BOpVars} \vdash \text{BOpVar}^\ast;'

**Rule 4.3.** \([\text{EventConstructor}] \Rightarrow \text{public EventClassName}[\text{Ev}] ' {
  \text{MachName} 'machine var', 'Block block'} '}

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Rule 4.4. EventInputMethod[BinVars] ⇒
protected synchronized void assign'.'input('Vector<Object> inputVec'){
    AssignInVar[BinVar]*
}'

B: BinVars ⊨ BinVar+.'

Rule 4.4.1. AssignInVar[Var] ⇒
AssignInVarInt[Var]
| AssignInVarSet[Var]
| AssignInVarPSet[Var]
| AssignInVarObj[Var]

Supplement: When Var is an Integer, choose AssignInVarInt
Supplement: When Var is an element of a B set, choose AssignInVarSet
Supplement: When Var is a set, choose AssignInVarPSet
Supplement: Otherwise, choose AssignInVarObj

Rule 4.4.2. AssignInVarInt[Var] ⇒
Print[Var]
    '=' ('Integer')('inputVec'.'elementAt('Integer '));'

Supplement: Var ∈ Integer

Rule 4.4.3. AssignInVarSet[Var] ⇒
if('inputVec'.'elementAt('Integer '): instanceof String'){
    Print[Var] '=' returnSet('('
    BType[Var] '.'class',
    ('String')'inputVec'.'elementAt('Integer ')
    ');'
}else{
    Print[Var] '=' (' BType[Var] ');('}
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Rule 4.4.4. AssignInVarPsSet[Var] ⇒
if (`inputVec`.'elementAt`(' Integer ')') instanceof String`{`
    Print[Var] `=' returnSets`('`
        BType[Var] `.'class`,'
        (`String`)inputVec`.'elementAt`(' Integer ')'
    `');`
} else{
    Print[Var] `=' (`EnumSet`<` BType[Var] `>`)`(``
        inputVec`.'elementAt`(' Integer ')'
    `');`
}`
Supplement: Var ∈ POW'BSet

Rule 4.4.5. AssignInVarObj[Var] ⇒
Print[Var] `=' inputVec`.'elementAt`(' Integer ');`

Rule 4.5. EventOutputMethod[BOutVars] ⇒
EventOutputMethodWithoutInput[BOutVars]
| EventOutputMethodWithInput[BOutVars]

B: BInVars ⊢ BInVar+';'

Rule 4.5.1. EventOutputMethodWithoutInput[BOutVars] ⇒
protected synchronized void make`.'output`()`{`
    MakeOutVar[BOutVar]*
}  

B: BOutVars ⊢ BOutVar+';'

Rule 4.5.2. EventOutputMethodWithInput[BOutVars] ⇒
protected synchronized void make\'\_\_output\'(\'int indexInt\'){
    MakeOutVarWithIn[BOutVar]*
    \'};

B: BOutVars \rightarrow BOutVar+\'

\textbf{Rule 4.5.3}. MakeOutVar[Var] \Rightarrow
\textbf{out}\_\_\_\_element\'(\'Integer\', \'Print[Var] \');'

\textbf{Rule 4.5.4}. MakeOutVarWithIn[Var] \Rightarrow
\textbf{out}\_\_\_\_element\'(\'indexInt\', \'Integer\', \'Print[Var] \');'

\textbf{Rule 4.6}. EventRun[BOpBody] \Rightarrow
protected synchronized void run\'(\'{
    BeforeStateVars[StateVars]
    BSubstitution[BSub]
    var\_\_check\'(\');
    \{ varsPanelsStore\_\_getInstance\_\_getPanelInstance\'(\'"
        MachName\_"\').refresh\'(\'); }\}[/GUI]
\}

B: BOpBody \rightarrow BSub
\textbf{Supplement}: Vars consists of all the state variables

\textbf{Rule 4.6.1}. BeforeStateVars[Vars] \Rightarrow
BeforeStateVar[Var]*
\textbf{Supplement}: Vars \rightarrow Var*

\textbf{Rule 4.6.2}. BeforeStateVar[Var] \Rightarrow
BType[Var]Print[Var] \_\_\_\_=
BeforeStateVarPSet[Var]
| BBeforeStateVarArray[Var]
| BBeforeStateVarRelation[Var]
| BBeforeStateVarAssignObj[Var]
\}

\textbf{Supplement}: If \textit{Var} is a B set, BeforeStateVarPSet
Supplement: If \( \text{Var} \) is an array, \text{BeforeStateVarArray}.

Supplement: If \( \text{Var} \) is a relation, \text{BeforeStateVarRelation}.

Supplement: Otherwise, \text{BeforeStateVarObj}.

**Rule 4.6.2.1.** \text{BeforeStateVarPSet}[\text{Var}] \Rightarrow \\
\text{EnumSet}'.'\text{copyOf}'('\text{var}'.'\text{Print}[\text{Var}]'')';

B: \( \text{Var} \in P(\text{Set}) \)

**Rule 4.6.2.2.** \text{BeforeStateVarArray}[\text{Var}] \Rightarrow \\
\text{new Type}[\text{Var}]'('\text{var}'.'\text{Print}[\text{Var}]'.'\text{length}'');
\text{System}'.'\text{arraycopy}'('\text{var}'.'\text{Print}[\text{Var}]'','0','\text{var}'.'\text{Print}[\text{Var}]'','0','\text{var}'.'\text{Print}[\text{Var}]'.'\text{length}');'

Supplement: \( \text{Var} \) is an array

**Rule 4.6.2.3.** \text{BeforeStateVarRelation[]} \Rightarrow \\
\text{var}'.'\text{Print}[\text{Var}]'.'\text{clone}'();'

Supplement: \( \text{Var} \) is a relation type

**Rule 4.6.2.4.** \text{BeforeStateVarAssignObj[]} \Rightarrow \\
\text{var}'.'\text{Print}[\text{Var}]'';'

**Rule 4.7.** \text{EventPrecondition}[\text{BSubPreCdtm}] \Rightarrow \\
\text{protected synchronized boolean conditionCheck}'()'{
\text{return BCondition}[\text{BCdtm}]'';'
'}

B: \( \text{BSubPreCdtm} \Rightarrow 'PRE'\text{BCdtm}'THEN'\text{BSub}'END' \)

**Rule 5.1.** \text{BSubstitution}[\text{BSub}] \Rightarrow \\
\text{BSubstitutionPrecondition}[\text{BSubPreCdtm}] \\
| \text{BSubstitutionBegin}[\text{BSubBegin}]
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| BSubstitutionVar[BSubVar] |
| BSubstitutionParallel[BSubPar] |
| BSubstitutionBeq[BSubBeq] |
| BSubstitutionIf[BSubIf] |
| BSubstitutionBeqFunc[BSubBeqFunc] |
| BSubstitutionAny[BSubAny] |

B: \( BSub \vdash \)

\[
BSubPreCdt\vdash\ PRC'dt\ THEN' BSub' END'
\]

**Rule 5.1.1.** \( BSubPreCondition[BSubPreCdt] \Rightarrow \ BSubPreCdt \)

B: \( BSubPreCdt \vdash \) \( PRE'BCdt\ THEN' BSub' END' \)

**Rule 5.1.2.** \( BSubBegin[BSubBegin] \Rightarrow \ BSubPreCdt \)

B: \( BSubPreCdt \vdash \) \( BEGIN' BSub' END' \)

**Rule 5.1.3.** \( BSubVar[BSubVar] \Rightarrow \)

\[
\text{Evnt VarsDecl}[Vars] \\
BSubPreCdt\vdash\ VARS' IN' BSub' END'
\]

**Rule 5.1.4.** \( BSubParallel[BSubPar] \Rightarrow \)

\[
\text{BSubPreCdt}\vdash\ BSub \parallel BSub
\]
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Rule 5.1.5. BSubstitutionBeEqual[BSubBeq] ⇒
   BBeEqualArray[BSubBeq]
   | BBeEqualSetUnion[BSubBeq]
   | BBeEqualSetMinus[BSubBeq]
   | BBeEqualOther[BSubBeq]

B: BSubBeq ⊢ BVar' = BExpression
Supplement: If BVar is an array, BSubStateVarArray
Supplement: If BExpression is a B Set union, BBeEqualSetUnion
Supplement: If BExpression is a B Set minus, BBeEqualSetMinus
Supplement: Otherwise, BBeEqualOther

Rule 5.1.6. BSubstitutionIf[BSubIf] ⇒
   if( BCondition[BCdttn] ){
     BSubstitution[BSub]
   } else
   BSubstitutionElseIf[BCdttn, BSub]*
   BSubstitutionElse[BSub]

B: BSubIf ⊢
   'IF' BCdttn 'THEN' BSub
   { 'ELSIF' BCdttn 'THEN' BSub }*
   { 'ELSE' BSub }
   'END'

Rule 5.1.7. BSubstitutionBeEqualFunc[BSubBeqFunc] ⇒
   BSubstitutionBeEqualArray[BSubBeqFunc] | BSubstitutionBeEqualFunction

B: BSubBeq ⊢ BVar' = BExpression
Supplement: If BVar is an array, BSubstitutionBeEqualArray
Supplement: If BVar is a function, BSubstitutionBeEqualFunction

Rule 5.1.8. BSubstitutionAny[BSubBeqAny] ⇒
   EventVarsDecl[Vars]
   BSubstitution[BSub]

B: BSubVar ⊢ ANY'Vars'WHERE'Predicates'IN'BSub'END'
**Rule 5.2.** $\text{BExpression}[\text{BExpr}]$

**Rule 5.3.** $\text{BCondition}[\text{BCdtm}] \Rightarrow$

**Rule 5.4.** $\text{BVarType}[\text{Var}] \Rightarrow$

- $\text{BVarTypeInteger}[\text{Var}]$
- $\text{BVarTypeSet}[\text{Var}]$
- $\text{BVarTypePSet}[\text{Var}]$

**Rule 5.4.1.** $\text{BVarTypeInteger}[\text{Var}] \Rightarrow \text{Integer}$

B: $\text{Var} \in \text{INT} | \text{NAT}$

**Rule 5.4.2.** $\text{BVarTypeSet}[\text{Var}] \Rightarrow \text{Print}[\text{BSetName}]$

B: $\text{Var} \in \text{BSet}$

**Rule 5.4.3.** $\text{BVarTypePSet}[\text{Var}] \Rightarrow$

- $\text{EnumSet} \langle , \text{Print}[\text{BSetName}] \rangle$

B: $\text{Var} \in \text{'POW'BSet}$

**Rule 5.4.4.** $\text{BVarTypeRelation}[\text{Var}] \Rightarrow$

- $\text{Relation} \langle , \text{Print}[\text{BType}] , \text{Print}[\text{BType}] \rangle$

B: $\text{Var} \in \text{BType'} + - > \text{BType}$

**Rule 5.4.5.** $\text{BVarTypeArray}[\text{Var}] \Rightarrow$

- $\text{Print}[\text{BType}] [\text{[]} ]$

B: $\text{Var} \in \text{NAT'} -- > \text{BType}$

**Rule 5.5.** $\text{BExprType}[\text{BExpr}]$
**Rule 6.1.** CSPExpression[CSPExpr]  

**Rule 6.2.** CSPCondition[CSPCdtn]  

**Rule 6.3.** CSPExprList[CSPExpr*]  

**Rule 7.2.** ChannelType[Ch] ⇒  

\[ \text{Ev} \vdash \text{Ev} | \text{CChType}[CCh] \]  

B+CSP: \( Ch \vdash Ev | CCh \)

**Rule 7.2.1.** EventType[Ev] ⇒  

\[ \text{CChannel} | \text{InCChannel} | \text{OutCChannel} | \text{OutInCChannel} \]  

Supplement: If the combined event Ev has no data flow between B and CSP, returns CChannel. (CSP: \( ch: B: op \) )  

Supplement: If the combined event Ev only has input data, from the CSP channel to the B operation, returns InCChannel. (CSP: \( ch!'InVars B: op('InVars'') \) )  

Supplement: If the combined event Ev only has output data, from the B operation to the CSP channel, returns OutCChannel. (CSP: \( ch?OutVars B: OutVars' < -'op' \) )  

Supplement: If combined event Ev has both input data, from CSP to B, and output data, from B to CSP, returns OutInCChannel. (CSP: \( ch!'InVars'?OutVars B: OutVars' < -'op'('InVars')' \) )

**Rule 7.2.2.** CChType[CCh] ⇒  

\[ \text{ChannelInput} | \text{ChannelOutput} | \text{ChClassName}[CCh] \]  

Supplement: If the process only read from channel CCh, returns ChannelInput.  

Supplement: If the process only output to channel CCh, returns ChannelOutput.  

Supplement: If the process and its sub-processes both read and write to channel CCh, returns the channel class name using rule CChClassName[CCh].

**Rule 7.3.** ChClassName[Ch] ⇒  

\[ \text{EventClassName}[Ev] | \text{CChClassName}[CCh] \]  

B+CSP: \( Ch \vdash Ev | CCh \)
**Rule 7.3.1.** EventClassName[Ev] ⇒ Print[EvName] ‘_chclass’

B: BEv ⊢ OutVars' < −EvName('InVars')'  

**Rule 7.3.2.** CChClassName[CCh] ⇒

One2OneChannel | One2AnyChannel | Any2OneChannel
| Any2AnyChannel | ClassName[CCh]

Supplement: One output end, one input end: One2OneChannel.
Supplement: One output end, multiple input ends: One2AnyChannel.
Supplement: Multiple output ends, one input end: Any2OneChannel.
Supplement: Multiple output ends, multiple input ends: Any2AnyChannel.

**Rule 7.3.3.** ClassName[CCh] ⇒

{ Ext2OneChannel | One2ExtChannel
| Any2OneChannel | Any2ExtChannel }[NoGUI]

{ Ext2OneGUIChannel | One2ExtGUIChannel
| Ext2AnyGUIChannel | Any2ExtGUIChannel }[GUI]

**Rule 7.4.** ChObjName[Ch] ⇒

EventObjName[Ev] | ClassName[CCh]

B+CSP: Ch ⊢ Ev | CCh

**Rule 7.4.1.** EventObjName[Ev] ⇒ Print[EvName] ‘_ch’

B: BEv ⊢ OutVars' < −EvName('InVars')'  

**Rule 7.4.2.** ClassName[CCh] ⇒ Print[CChName]

CSP: BCCh ⊢ CChName{??'InVars}'!!'OutVars'}
Appendix B

Java Classes

B.1 Runtime Assertion Checking

B.2 Dining Philosophers

B.2.1 PHIL_procclass.java

```java
package dps;

import org.dsse.jcsprob.lang.*;
import org.dsse.jcsprob.gui.*;
import jcsp.lang.*;
import java.util.*;

public class PHIL_procclass extends BGProcess{
    private InCChannel sits_ch;
    private InCChannel picks_ch;
    private InCChannel eats_ch;
    private InCChannel putsdown_ch;
    private InCChannel getsup_ch;
    Integer proc_index_a;

    public PHIL_procclass(InCChannel sits_ch,InCChannel picks_ch,
                           InCChannel eats_ch,InCChannel putsdown_ch,
                           InCChannel getsup_ch,Integer proc_index_a){
        super();
        this.sits_ch = sits_ch;
        this.picks_ch = picks_ch;
        this.eats_ch = eats_ch;
        this.putsdown_ch = putsdown_ch;
        this.getsup_ch = getsup_ch;
        this.proc_index_a = proc_index_a;
    }
}
```
```java
this.getsup_ch = getsup_ch;
this.proc_index_a = proc_index_a;
}

public void run(){
this.createGUIProc();
start();
channelCall(sits_ch,inputVector(new Object[]{proc_index_a}));
Vector<Vector<Object>> choiceVec = new Vector<Vector<Object>>()
choiceVec.addElement(inputVector(
    new Object[]{proc_index_a,proc_index_a}));
choiceVec.addElement(inputVector(
    new Object[]{proc_index_a,(proc_index_a + 1) % 5}));
BCSPGuard[] in = {picks_ch,picks_ch};
switch(choiceCtrl(in, choiceVec)){
    case 0 :
        choiceRtn(picks_ch);
        channelCall(picks_ch,inputVector(
            new Object[]{proc_index_a,(proc_index_a + 1) % 5}));
        channelCall(eats_ch,inputVector(
            new Object[]{proc_index_a}));
        channelCall(putsdown_ch,inputVector(
            new Object[]{proc_index_a,(proc_index_a + 1) % 5}));
        channelCall(putsdown_ch,inputVector(
            new Object[]{proc_index_a,proc_index_a}));
        channelCall(putsdown_ch,inputVector(
            new Object[]{proc_index_a,proc_index_a}));
        channelCall(getsup_ch,inputVector(
            new Object[]{proc_index_a}));
        nextProcCtrl(new PHIL_procclass(
            sits_ch,picks_ch,eats_ch,putsdown_ch,getsup_ch,proc_index_a));
        break;
    case 1 :
        choiceRtn(picks_ch);
        channelCall(picks_ch,inputVector(
            new Object[]{proc_index_a,proc_index_a}));
        channelCall(eats_ch,inputVector(
            new Object[]{proc_index_a}));
        channelCall(putsdown_ch,inputVector(
            new Object[]{proc_index_a,proc_index_a}));
        channelCall(putsdown_ch,inputVector(
            new Object[]{proc_index_a,proc_index_a}));
        channelCall(putsdown_ch,inputVector(
            new Object[]{proc_index_a,(proc_index_a + 1) % 5}));
        channelCall(getsup_ch,inputVector(
            new Object[]{proc_index_a}));
        nextProcCtrl(new PHIL_procclass(
            sits_ch,picks_ch,eats_ch,putsdown_ch,getsup_ch,proc_index_a));
        break;
    }
```

B.2.2 FORK_procclass.java

package dps;

import org.dsse.jcsprob.lang.*;
import org.dsse.jcsprob.gui.*;
import jcsp.lang.*;
import java.util.*;

public class FORK_procclass extends BGProcess{
    private InCChannel picks_ch;
    private InCChannel putsdown_ch;
    Integer proc_index_a;

    public FORK_procclass(InCChannel picks_ch,
                           InCChannel putsdown_ch,Integer proc_index_a){
        super();
        this.picks_ch = picks_ch;
        this.putsdown_ch = putsdown_ch;
        this.proc_index_a = proc_index_a;
    }

    public void run(){
        this.createGUIProc();
        start();
        Vector<Vector<Object>> choiceVec = new Vector<Vector<Object>>();
        choiceVec.addElement(inputVector(
            new Object[]{proc_index_a,proc_index_a}));
        choiceVec.addElement(inputVector(
            new Object[]{(proc_index_a + 4) % 5,proc_index_a}));
        BCSPGuard[] in = {picks_ch,picks_ch};
        switch(choiceCtrl(in, choiceVec)){
            case 0 :
                choiceRtn(picks_ch);
                channelCall(putsdown_ch,
                    inputVector(new Object[]{proc_index_a,proc_index_a}));
                nextProcCtrl(
                    new FORK_procclass(picks_ch,putsdown_ch,proc_index_a));
                break;
case 1 :
    choiceRtn(picks_ch);
    channelCall(putsdown_ch,
        inputVector(new Object[]{(proc_index_a + 4) % 5,proc_index_a}));
    nextProcCtrl(
        new FORK_procclass(picks_ch,putsdown_ch,proc_index_a));
    break;
}
end();
}

B.2.3 picks_chclass.java

package dps;

import org.dsse.jcsprob.gui. *
import org.dsse.jcsprob.lang. *
import java.util. *

public class picks_chclass extends InCChannel{
    diningphils_machine var;
    Integer pp;
    Integer ff;

    public picks_chclass(diningphils_machine var, BLock block){
        this.var = var;
        this.block = block;
        this.setChName(this.getClass().getSimpleName());
    }

    protected synchronized void assign_input(Vector<Object> inputVec){
        pp = (Integer)(inputVec.elementAt(0));
        ff = (Integer)(inputVec.elementAt(1));
    }
    protected synchronized void run(){
        try{
            var.pstate[pp] = 2;
            var.fstate[ff] = 1;

            varsPanelsStore.getInstance().getPanelInstance("diningphils").refresh();
        }catch(Exception e){
            System.out.println("Exception in Channel picks_chclass :> "+e.getMessage());
            System.exit(0);
        }
    }
}
protected synchronized boolean conditionCheck()
{
    return pp>=0 && pp<=4 && ff>=0 && ff<=4;
}
}

B.2.4 eats_chclass.java

package dps;

import org.dsse.jcsprob.gui.*;
import org.dsse.jcsprob.lang.*;
import java.util.*;

public class eats_chclass extends InCChannel{
    diningphils_machine var;
    Integer pp;
    public eats_chclass(diningphils_machine var, BLock block){
        this.var = var;
        this.block = block;
        this.setChName(this.getClass().getSimpleName());
    }
    protected synchronized void assign_input(Vector<Object> inputVec){
        pp = (Integer)(inputVec.elementAt(0));
    }
    protected synchronized void run(){
        try{
            var.pstate[pp] = 3;
            var.count[pp] = var.count[pp] + 1;
            varsPanelsStore.getInstance().getPanelInstance("diningphils").refresh();
        }catch(Exception e){
            System.out.println("Exception in Channel eats_chclass :> "+e.getMessage());
            System.exit(0);
        }
    }
    protected synchronized boolean conditionCheck(){
        return pp>=0 && pp<=4;
    }
}
B.3 Wot, no chicken?

B.3.1 chicken_run.java

package wnck1;

import org.dsse.jcsprob.lang.*;
import org.dsse.jcsprob.gui.*;
import jcsp.lang.*;

public class chicken_run{
    public static void main(String[] args){
        try{
            GUIModelConfigStore.getInstance().addModelInstance("chicken");
            chicken_machine var = new chicken_machine("chicken");
            BLock block = new BLock();
            varsPanelsStore tmp = varsPanelsStore.getInstance();
            tmp.addPanelInstance(var);
            thinking_chclass thinking_ch = new thinking_chclass(var,block);
            getchicken_chclass getchicken_ch = new getchicken_chclass(var,block);
            eat_chclass eat_ch = new eat_chclass(var,block);
            cook_chclass cook_ch = new cook_chclass(var,block);
            put_chclass put_ch = new put_chclass(var,block);
            final One2OneChannel configure = new One2OneChannel();
            final One2OneChannel comm = new One2OneChannel();
            tmp.setCommCh(comm);

            new CSParallel()
            { new BCSProcess[]{
                new BCSProcess()
                {
                    public void run()
                    {
                        GUIFrame frame = new GUIFrame(configure,"chicken");
                        frame.pack();
                        frame.setVisible(true);
                        frame.run();
                    }
                },
                new BCSProcess()
                {
                    public void run()
                    {
                        RecordsFrame rcdFrame = RecordsFrame.getInstance();
                        rcdFrame.init(comm);
                        rcdFrame.pack();
                        rcdFrame.setVisible(true);
                        rcdFrame.run();
                    }
                }
            },
        }
    }
}
new chicken_procclass(
    cook_ch, put_ch, getchicken_ch, eat_ch, thinking_ch, configure)
).run();
}
}catch(Exception e){
    System.out.println("Error: chicken_run main() :> " + e.getMessage());
    System.exit(0);
}
}

B.3.2 chicken_procclass.java

package wnck1;

import org.dsse.jcsprob.lang.*;
import org.dsse.jcsprob.gui.*;
import jcsp.lang.*;
import java.util.*;

public class chicken_procclass extends BGProcess{
    private CChannel cook_ch;
    private CChannel put_ch;
    private InCChannel getchicken_ch;
    private InCChannel eat_ch;
    private InCChannel thinking_ch;

    public chicken_procclass(CChannel cook_ch, CChannel put_ch,
        InCChannel getchicken_ch, InCChannel eat_ch,
        InCChannel thinking_ch, ChannelOutput conf){
        super(conf);
        this.cook_ch = cook_ch;
        this.put_ch = put_ch;
        this.getchicken_ch = getchicken_ch;
        this.eat_ch = eat_ch;
        this.thinking_ch = thinking_ch;
    }

    public void run(){
        this.createGUIProc();
        start();
        parallelCtrl(
            new BGProcess[]{
                new Chef_procclass(cook_ch, put_ch),
new XPhil_procclass(getchicken_ch,eat_ch),
new PHILS_procclass(thinking_ch,getchicken_ch,eat_ch)
}
);
end();
}
}

### B.3.3 Phil_procclass.java

```java
class Phil_procclass extends BGProcess{
    private InCChannel thinking_ch;
    private InCChannel getchicken_ch;
    private InCChannel eat_ch;
    Object proc_index_a;

    public Phil_procclass(InCChannel thinking_ch,InCChannel getchicken_ch,
                          InCChannel eat_ch,Object proc_index_a){
        super();
        this.thinking_ch = thinking_ch;
        this.getchicken_ch = getchicken_ch;
        this.eat_ch = eat_ch;
        this.proc_index_a = proc_index_a;
        argsVec.add(proc_index_a);
    }

    public void run(){
        this.createGUIProc();
        start();
        channelCall(thinking_ch,
                    inputVector(new Object[]{(Integer)proc_index_a}));
        channelCall(getchicken_ch,
                    inputVector(new Object[]{(Integer)proc_index_a}));
        channelCall(eat_ch,
                    inputVector(new Object[]{(Integer)proc_index_a}));
        nextProcCtrl(new Phil_procclass(
                        thinking_ch,getchicken_ch,eat_ch,proc_index_a));
    }
}
```
### B.3.4 getchicken_chclass.java

```java
package wnck1;

import org.dsse.jcsprob.gui.*;
import org.dsse.jcsprob.btypes.*;
import org.dsse.jcsprob.lang.*;
import java.util.*;

public class getchicken_chclass extends InCChannel{
    chicken_machine var;
    Integer pp;
    public getchicken_chclass(chicken_machine var, BLock block){
        this.var = var;
        this.block = block;
        this.setChName(this.getClass().getSimpleName());
    }
    protected synchronized void assign_input(Vector<Object> inputVec){
        pp = (Integer)(inputVec.elementAt(0));
    }
    protected synchronized void run(){
        try{
            Integer[] state = new Integer[var.state.length];
            System.arraycopy(var.state,0,state,0,var.state.length);
            Integer chef = var.chef;
            Integer canteen = var.canteen;
            var.canteen = canteen - 1;
            var.check();
            varsPanelsStore.getInstance().getPanelInstance("chicken").refresh();
        }catch(Exception e){
            System.out.println("Exception in Channel
getchicken_chclass :> "+e.getMessage());
            System.exit(0);
        }
    }
    protected synchronized boolean conditionCheck(){
        return pp>=0 && pp<=4 && var.canteen > 0;
    }
}
```

B.4 The Odd-Even Example

B.4.1 Even\_run.java

```java
package oddeven.Even;

import org.dsse.jsesprob.lang.*;
import org.dsse.jsesprob.gui.*;
import jcsp.lang.*;

public class Even_run{
    public static void main(String[] args){
        try{
            GUIModelConfigStore.getInstance().addModelInstance("Even");
            Even\_machine var = new Even\_machine("Even");
            BBlock block = new BBlock();
            varsPanelsStore tmp = varsPanelsStore.getInstance();
            tmp.addPanelInstance(var);
            evenput\_chclass evenput\_ch = new evenput\_chclass(var,block);
            evenget\_chclass evenget\_ch = new evenget\_chclass(var,block);
            /* The following channel communicates with the environment */
            final Ext2OneGUIChannel oddpass\_ch
                = new Ext2OneGUIChannel("oddpass\_ch");
            /* The following channel communicates with the environment */
            final One2ExtGUIChannel evenpass\_ch
                = new One2ExtGUIChannel("evenpass\_ch");
            final One2OneChannel configure = new One2OneChannel();
            final One2OneChannel comm = new One2OneChannel();
            tmp.setCommCh(comm);

            new CSParallel{
                new BCSProcess[]{
                    new BCSProcess(){
                        public void run(){
                            GUIFrame frame = new GUIFrame(configure,"Even");
                            frame.pack();
                            frame.setVisible(true);
                            frame.run();
                        }
                    },
                    new BCSProcess(){
                        public void run(){
                            RecordsFrame rcdFrame = RecordsFrame.getInstance();
                            rcdFrame.init(comm);
                            rcdFrame.pack();
                            rcdFrame.setVisible(true);
                        }
                    }
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Appendix B Java Classes

B.4.2 Oddeven_run.java

package oddeven;

import org.dsse.jcsprob.lang.*;
import org.dsse.jcsprob.gui.*;
import jcsp.lang.*;
import oddeven.Even.*;
import oddeven.Odd.*;

public class Oddeven_run{
    public static void main(String[] args){
        try{
            GUIModelConfigStore.getInstance().addModelInstance("Odd");
            GUIModelConfigStore.getInstance().addModelInstance("Even");

            Even_machine var1 = new Even_machine("Even");
            Odd_machine var2 = new Odd_machine("Odd");
            BLock block1 = new BLock();
            BLock block2 = new BLock();
            varsPanelsStore tmp = varsPanelsStore.getInstance();
            tmp.addPanelInstance(var1);
            tmp.addPanelInstance(var2);
            evenput_chclass evenput_ch = new evenput_chclass(var1,block1);
            evenget_chclass evenget_ch = new evenget_chclass(var1,block1);
            oddput_chclass oddput_ch = new oddput_chclass(var2,block2);
            oddget_chclass oddget_ch = new oddget_chclass(var2,block2);
            final One2OneChannel oddpass_ch = new One2OneChannel();
            final One2OneChannel evenpass_ch = new One2OneChannel();
            final One2OneChannel configure1 = new One2OneChannel();
        }
    }
}
final One2OneChannel configure2 = new One2OneChannel();
final Any2OneChannel comm = new Any2OneChannel();
tmp.setCommCh(comm);

new CSParallel(
    new BCSProcess[]{
        new BCSProcess()
        {
            public void run()
            {
                GUIFrame frame = new GUIFrame(configure1,"Even");
                frame.pack();
                frame.setVisible(true);
                frame.run();
            }
        },
        new Even_procclass(
            oddpass_ch,evenput_ch,evenget_ch,evenpass_ch,configure1),
        new BCSProcess()
        {
            public void run()
            {
                GUIFrame frame = new GUIFrame(configure2,"Odd");
                frame.pack();
                frame.setVisible(true);
                frame.run();
            }
        },
        new BCSProcess()
        {
            public void run()
            {
                RecordsFrame rcdFrame = RecordsFrame.getInstance();
                rcdFrame.init(comm);
                rcdFrame.pack();
                rcdFrame.setVisible(true);
                rcdFrame.run();
            }
        },
        new Odd_procclass(
            oddget_ch,oddpass_ch,evenpass_ch,oddput_ch,configure2)
    }));
}catch(Exception e){
    System.out.println("Error: Oddeven_run main() :> "+e.getMessage());
    System.exit(0);
}
Appendix C

Specifications

C.1 The Decomposed Wot-no-chicken model: Step 2

C.1.1 The CSP Specification

\[\text{MAIN} = \text{Chef} \mid \text{put} \mid \text{Canteen} \mid \text{take} \mid \text{PHILS};;\]
\[\text{PHILS} = \text{GPhils} \mid \text{XPhil};;\]
\[\text{GPhils} = \mid \text{X:0,1,2,3@Phil(X)};;\]
\[\text{Phil(X)} = \text{thinking}.X \rightarrow \text{take}?Y \rightarrow \text{eat}.X.Y \rightarrow \text{Phil(X)};;\]
\[\text{XPhil} = \text{take}?Y \rightarrow \text{eat}.4.Y \rightarrow \text{XPhil};;\]
\[\text{Chef} = \text{cook} \rightarrow \text{put} \rightarrow \text{Chef};;\]
\[\text{Canteen} = \text{CProc} \mid \text{PProc};;\]
\[\text{CProc} = \text{put} \rightarrow \text{CProc};;\]
\[\text{PProc} = \text{getchicken}.X \rightarrow \text{PProc};;\]

C.1.2 B Machine: Chef

\textit{MACHINE} Chef

\textit{VARIABLES}

\textit{chef}

\textit{INVARIANT}

\textit{chef} \in \textit{NAT}

\textit{INITIALISATION}

\textit{chef} := 0

\textit{OPERATIONS}

\textit{cook} =

\begin{verbatim}
BEGIN
  chef := chef + 4
END;

nn ← put1 =
BEGIN chef := chef - 4 \parallel nn := 4 END
\end{verbatim}
C.1.3  B Machine: Canteen

\textit{MACHINE} Canteen
\textit{VARIABLES}
\begin{itemize}
\item canteen
\end{itemize}
\textit{INVARIANT}
\begin{itemize}
\item canteen \in \textit{NAT}
\end{itemize}
\textit{INITIALISATION}
\begin{itemize}
\item canteen := 0
\end{itemize}
\textit{OPERATIONS}
\begin{itemize}
\item \( mn \leftarrow \text{getchicken}(pp) = \)
\begin{itemize}
\item \textit{PRE} canteen > 0 \textit{THEN}
\item canteen := canteen - 1 \text{ || } nn := 1
\end{itemize}
\end{itemize}
\begin{itemize}
\item \( \text{put2}(pp) = \)
\begin{itemize}
\item \textit{PRE} pp \in \textit{NAT} \land pp > 0 \textit{THEN}
\item canteen := canteen + pp \textit{END}
\end{itemize}
\end{itemize}
\textit{END}

C.1.4  B Machine: Phils

\textit{MACHINE} Phils
\textit{VARIABLES}
\begin{itemize}
\item state
\end{itemize}
\textit{INVARIANT}
\begin{itemize}
\item state \in \{0..4\} \rightarrow \textit{NAT}
\end{itemize}
\textit{INITIALISATION}
\begin{itemize}
\item state := \{0..4\} \times \{1\}
\end{itemize}
\textit{OPERATIONS}
\begin{itemize}
\item \( \text{thinking}(pp) = \)
\begin{itemize}
\item \textit{PRE} pp \in \{0..4\} \textit{THEN}
\item state(pp) := state(pp) - 1
\end{itemize}
\end{itemize}
\begin{itemize}
\item \( \text{eat}(pp,nn) = \)
\begin{itemize}
\item \textit{PRE} pp \in \{0..4\} \land nn \in \textit{NAT} \land nn > 0 \textit{THEN}
\item state(pp) := state(pp) + nn
\end{itemize}
\end{itemize}
\textit{END}
\textit{END}
C.2 The Decomposed Wot-no-chicken model: Step 3

C.2.1 The CSP Specification

\[ \text{MAIN} = \text{Chef} \parallel \{ \{ \text{put} \} \parallel \text{Canteen} \parallel \{ \{ \text{take} \} \parallel \text{PHILS} \}; \]
\[ \text{PHILS} = \text{GPhil} \parallel \{ \{ X \parallel X:0,1,2,3 @ \text{Phil}(X) \}; \]
\[ \text{GPhil} = \{ \{ X \parallel \text{Phil}(X) \}; \]
\[ \text{Phil}(X) = \text{thinking} \rightarrow \text{take}(Y) \rightarrow \text{eat}(Y) \rightarrow \text{Phil}(X); \]
\[ \text{XPhil} = \text{take}(Y) \rightarrow \text{eat}(Y) \rightarrow \text{XPhil}; \]
\[ \text{Chef} = \text{cook} \rightarrow \text{put} \rightarrow \text{Chef}; \]
\[ \text{Canteen} = \text{CProc} \parallel \{ \{ \text{PProc} \}; \]
\[ \text{CProc} = \text{put} \rightarrow \text{CProc}; \]
\[ \text{PProc} = \text{getchicken}(X) \rightarrow \text{PProc}; \]

C.2.2 B Machine: Phil

\textit{MACHINE Phil}

\textit{VARIABLES}

\textit{state}

\textit{INVARIANT}

\textit{state} \in \text{NAT}

\textit{INITIALISATION}

\textit{state} := 1

\textit{OPERATIONS}

\textit{thinking} =

\begin{verbatim}
BEGIN
state := state - 1
END;
\end{verbatim}

\textit{eat(nn)} =

\begin{verbatim}
PRE nn \in \text{NAT} \land nn > 0 \THEN
state := state + nn
END
\end{verbatim}

C.2.3 B Machine: XPhil

\textit{MACHINE XPhil}

\textit{VARIABLES}

\textit{state}

\textit{INVARIANT}

\textit{state} \in \text{NAT}

\textit{INITIALISATION}

\textit{state} := 1

\textit{OPERATIONS}

\textit{eat(nn)} =
PRE $nn \in \text{NAT} \land nn > 0$ THEN

state := state + nn

END

END
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