

Weather Information Systems Towards a Domain Description

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Abstract

This document reports *work in progress*. We show an example domain description. It is developed and presented as outlined in [Bjø16c]. The domain being described is that of a generic weather information system. Four main endurants (i.e., aspects) of a generic weather information system are those of the weather, weather stations (collecting weather data), weather data interpretation (i.e., metereological institute[s]), and weather forecast consumers. There are, correspondingly, two kinds of weather information: the weather data, and the weather forecasts. These forms of weather information are acted upon: the weather data interpreter (i.e., a metereological institute) is gathering weather data; based on such interpretations the metereological institute is “calculating” weather forecasts; and weather forecast consumers are requesting and further “interpreting” (i.e., rendering) such forecasts. Thus weather data is communicated from weather stations to the weather data interpreter; and weather forecasts are communicated from the weather data interpreter to the weather forecast consumers. It is the dual purpose of this technical report to present a domain description of the essence of generic weather information systems, and to add to the “pile” [Bjø10b, Bjø10a, Bjø13b, Bjø13a, Bjø13c, Bjø16b, Bjø16a, Bjø16d] of technical reports that illustrate the use[fulness] of the principles, techniques and tools of [Bjø16c].

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Instead of updating that document I am now issuing the present document:

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In this present document changes with respect to the former document are marked with these margin bars:

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1.1 On a Base Terminology 4

From Wikipedia:

- 1 **Weather** is the state of the atmosphere, to the degree that it is hot or cold, wet or dry, calm or stormy, clear or cloudy, atmospheric (barometric) pressure: high or low.
- 2 So weather is characterized by **temperature, humidity** (incl. **rain, wind** (direction, velocity, center, incl. its possible mobility), **atmospheric pressure**, etcetera.
- 3 By **weather information** we mean
 - either weather data that characterizes the weather as defined above (Item 1),
 - or weather forecast, i.e., a prediction of the state of the atmosphere for a given location and time or time interval.
- 4 Weather data are collected by **weather stations**. We shall here not be concerned with technical means of weather data collection. 5
- 5 **Weather forecasts** are used by forecast consumers, anyone: you and me.
- 6 Weather data interpretation (i.e., **forecasting**) is the science and technology of creating weather forecasts based on **time- or time interval-stamped weather data** and **locations**. Weather data interpretation is amongst the charges of meteorological institutes.
- 7 **Meteorology** is the interdisciplinary scientific study of the atmosphere.
- 8 An **atmosphere** (from Greek $\alpha\tau\mu\omicron\zeta$ (atmos), meaning “vapour”, and $\sigma\phi\alpha\iota\rho\alpha$ (sphaira), meaning “sphere”) is a layer of gases surrounding a planet or other material body, that is held in place by the gravity of that body. 6
- 9 Meteorological institutes work together with the World Meteorological Organization (WMO). Besides weather forecasting, meteorological institutes (and hence WMO) are concerned also with aviation, agricultural, nuclear, maritime, military and environmental meteorology, hydrometeorology and renewable energy.
- 10 Agricultural meteorologists, soil scientists, agricultural hydrologists, and agronomists are persons concerned with studying the effects of weather and climate on plant distribution, crop yield, water-use efficiency, phenology of plant and animal development, and the energy balance of managed and natural ecosystems. Conversely, they are interested in the rôle of vegetation on climate and weather.

2 Major Parts of a Weather Information System

We think of the following parts as being of concern in the kind of weather information systems that we shall analyse and describe: Figure 1 shows one **weather** (dashed rounded corner all embracing rectangle), one central **weather data interpreter** (cum meteorological institute) seven **weather stations** (rounded corner squares), nineteen **weather forecast consumers**, and one global **clock**. All are distributed, as hinted at, in some geographical space. Figure 2 on the next page shows “an orderly diagram” of “the same” weather

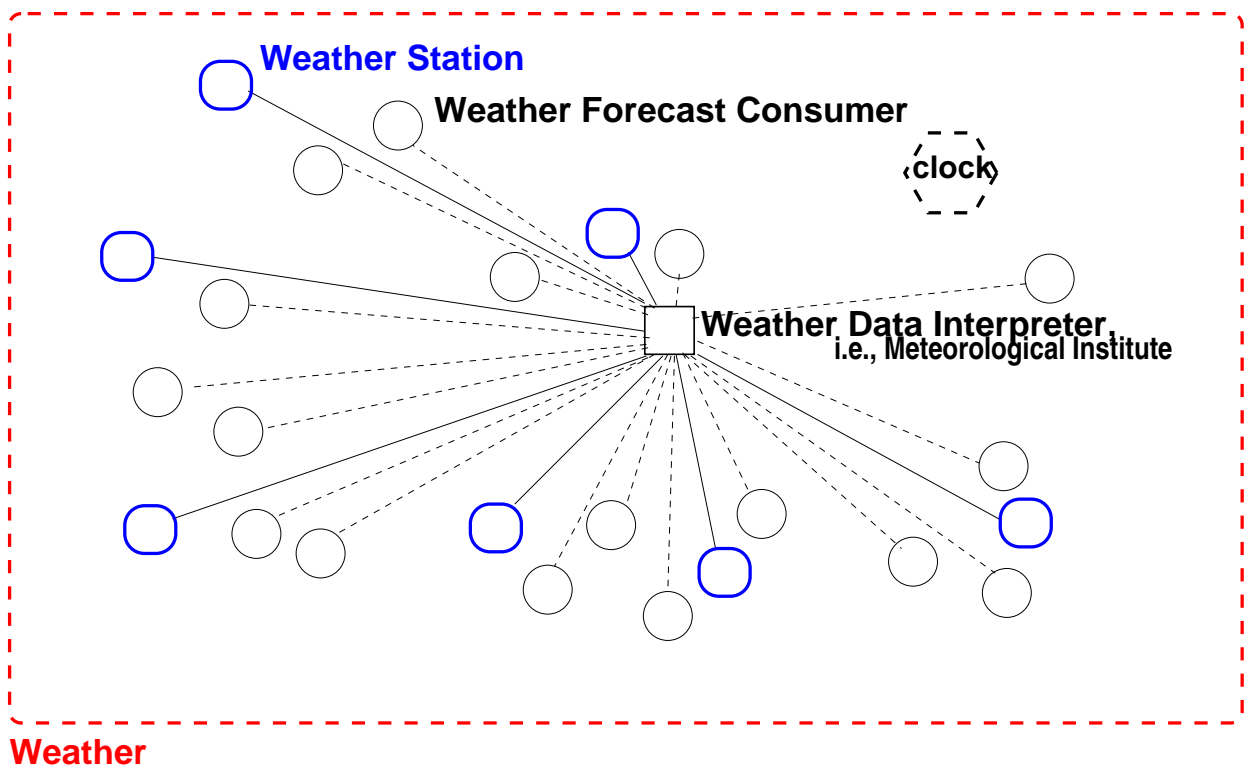


Figure 1: A Weather Information System

information system as Figure 1. The lines between pairs of the various parts shall indicate means communication between the pairs of (thus) connected parts. Dashed lines “crossing” bundles of these communication lines are labeled ch_{xy} . These labels, ch_{xy} , designated CSP-like channels. An input, by a weather station (wsi), of weather data from the weather (wi), is designated by the CSP expression $ch_{ws}[wi, wsi]?$. An output, say from the weather data interpreter (wdi) to a weather forecast consumer (wci), of a forecast f , is designated by $ch_{ic}[wdi, wci]! f$

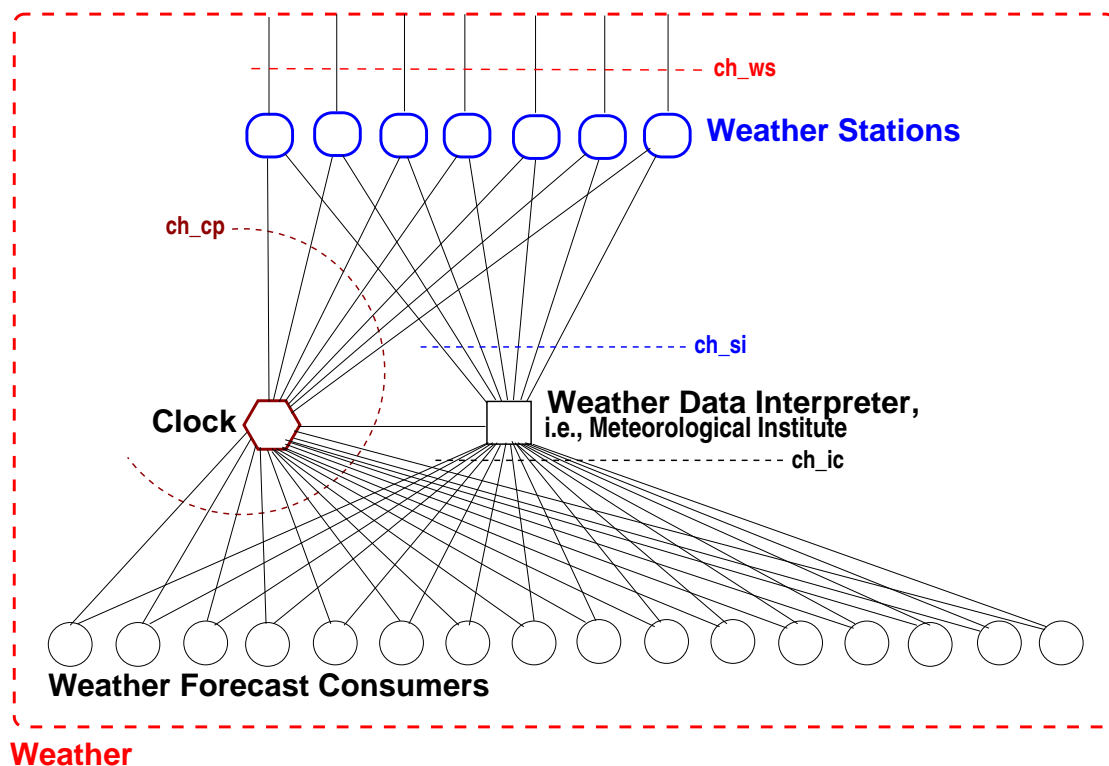


Figure 2: A Weather Information System Diagram

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3 Endurants

3.1 Parts and Materials

11 The WIS domain contains a number of sub-domains:

- a. the weather, W, which we consider a material,
- b. the weather stations sub-domain, WSS (a composite part),
- c. the weather data interpretation sub-domain, WDIS (an atomic part),
- d. the weather forecast consumers sub-domain, WFCS (a composite part), and
- e. the (“global”) clock (an atomic part).

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type

11 WIS

11a. W

- 11b. WSS
- 11c. WDIS
- 11d. WFCS
- 11e. CLK

value

- 11a. obs_material_W: WIS \rightarrow W
- 11b. obs_part_WSS: WIS \rightarrow WSS
- 11c. obs_part_WDIS: WIS \rightarrow WDIS
- 11d. obs_part_WFCS: WIS \rightarrow WFCS
- 11e. obs_part_CLK: WIS \rightarrow CLK

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12 The weather station sub-domain, WSS, consists of a set, WSs,

13 of atomic weather stations, WS.

14 The weather forecast consumers sub-domain, WFCS, consists of a set, WFCs,

15 of atomic weather forecast consumers, WFC.

13

type

- 12 WSs = WS-set
- 13 WS
- 14 WFCs = WFC-set
- 15 WFC

value

- 12 obs_part_WSs: WSS \rightarrow WSs
- 14 obs_part_WFCs: WFCS \rightarrow WFCs

3.2 Unique Identifiers

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We shall consider only atomic parts.

16 Every single weather station has a unique identifier.

17 The weather data interpretation (i.e., the weather forecast “creator”) has a unique identifier.

18 Every single weather forecast consumer has a unique identifier.

19 The global clock has a unique identifier.

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type

- 16 WSI
- 17 WDII
- 18 WFCI
- 19 CLKI

value

- 16 uid_WSI: WS \rightarrow WSI
- 17 uid_WDII: WDIS \rightarrow WDII
- 18 uid_WFCI: WFC \rightarrow WFCI
- 18 uid_CLKI: CLK \rightarrow CLKI

3.3 Mereologies

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We shall restrict ourselves to consider the mereologies only of the atomic parts.

- 20 The mereology of weather stations is the pair of the unique clock identifier and the unique identifier of the weather data interpreter.
- 21 The mereology of weather data interpreter is the triple of the unique clock identifier, set of unique identifiers of all the weather stations and the set of unique identifiers of all the weather forecast consumers.
- 22 The mereology of weather forecast consumer is the the pair of the unique clock identifier and the unique identifier of the weather data interpreter.
- 23 The mereology of the global clock is the triple of the set of all the unique identifiers of weather stations, the unique identifier of the weather data interpreter, and the set of all the unique identifiers of weather forecast consumers.

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type

- 20 WSM = CLKI \times WDII
- 21 WDIM = CLKI \times WSI-set \times WFCI-set
- 22 WFCM = CLKI \times WDII
- 23 CLKM = CLKI \times WDGI-set \times WDII \times WFCI-set

value

- 20 mereo_WSM: WS \rightarrow WSM
- 21 mereo_WDI: WDI \rightarrow WDIM
- 22 mereo_WFC: WFC \rightarrow WFCM
- 23 mereo_CLK: CLK \rightarrow CLKM

3.4 Attributes

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3.4.1 Clock, Time and Time-intervals

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- 24 The global clock has an autonomous time attribute.
- 25 Time values are further undefined, but times are considered absolute in the sense as representing some intervals since “the birth of time”, an example, concrete time could be NOVEMBER 17, 2016, 14:47.
- 26 Time intervals are further undefined, but time intervals can be considered relative in the sense of representing a quantity elapsed between two times, examples are: 1 day 2 hours and 3 minutes, etc. When a time interval, ti , is specified it is always to be understood to designate the times from now, or from a specified time, t , until the time $t + ti$.
- 27 We postulate \oplus , \ominus , and can postulate further “arithmetic” operators, and
- 28 we can postulate relational operators.

type

24 TIME

25 TI

value

24 attr_TIME: CLK \rightarrow TIME27 \oplus : TIME \times TI \rightarrow TIME, TI \times TI \rightarrow TI27 \ominus : TIME \times TI \rightarrow TIME, TIME \times TIME \rightarrow TI28 =, \neq , <, \leq , \geq , >: TIME \times TIME \rightarrow Bool, TI \times TI \rightarrow Bool, ...

We do not here define these operations and relations.

3.4.2 Locations

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- 29 Locations are metric, topological spaces and can thus be considered dense spaces of three dimensional points.
- 30 We can speak of one location properly contained (\subset) within, or contained or equal (\subseteq), or equal ($=$), or not equal (\neq) to another location.

type

29. LOC

value

30. \subset , \subseteq , =, \neq : LOC \times LOC \rightarrow Bool

3.4.3 Weather

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31 The weather material is considered a dense, infinite set of weather point volumes WP. Some dense, infinite subsets (still proper volumes) of such points may be liquid, i.e., rain, water in rivers, lakes and oceans. Other dense, infinite subsets (still proper volumes) of such points may be gaseous, i.e., the air, or atmosphere. These two forms of proper volumes “border” along infinite subsets (curved planes, surfaces) of weather points.

32 From the material weather one can observe its location.

type31 $W = \text{WP-infset}$

31 WP

value32 attr_LOC: $W \rightarrow \text{LOC}$

23

33 Some meteorological quantities are:

- | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| a. <i>Humidity</i> , | c. <i>Wind</i> and |
| b. <i>Temperature</i> , | d. <i>Barometric pressure</i> . |

34 The weather has an indefinite number of attributes at any one time.

- Humidity distribution, at level (above sea) and by location,
- Temperature distribution, at level (above sea) and by location,
- Wind direction, velocity and mobility of wind center, and by location,
- Barometric pressure, and by location,
- etc., etc.

type

33a. Hu

33b. Te

33c. Wi

33d. Ba

34a. HDL = LOC $\xrightarrow{\vec{m}}$ Hu34b. TDL = LOC $\xrightarrow{\vec{m}}$ Te34c. WDL = LOC $\xrightarrow{\vec{m}}$ Wi34d. BPL = LOC $\xrightarrow{\vec{m}}$ Ba

34e. ...

value34a. attr_HDL: $W \rightarrow \text{HDL}$

- 34b. attr_TDL: $W \rightarrow TDL$
- 34c. attr_WDL: $W \rightarrow WDL$
- 34d. attr_APL: $W \rightarrow BPL$
- 34e. ...

3.4.4 Weather Stations

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- 35 Weather stations have static location attributes.
- 36 Weather stations sample the weather gathering humidity, temperature, wind, barometric pressure, and possibly other data, into time and location stamped weather data.

value

35 attr_LOC: $WS \rightarrow LOC$

type

36 $WD :: mkWD((TIME \times LOC) \times (TDL \times HDL \times WDL \times BPL \times \dots))$

3.4.5 Weather Data Interpreter

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- 37 There is a programmable attribute: weather data repository, $wdr:WDR$, of weather data, $wd:WD$, collected from weather stations.
- 38 And there is programmable attribute: weather forecast repository, $wfr:WFR$, of forecasts, $wf:WF$, disseminate-able to weather forecast consumers.

These repositories are updated when

39 received from the weather stations, respectively when

40 calculated by the weather data interpreter.

type

37 WDR

38 WFR

value

39 $update_wdr: TIME \times WD \rightarrow WDR \rightarrow WDR$

40 $update_wfr: TIME \times WF \rightarrow WFR \rightarrow WFR$

It is a standard exercise to define these two functions (say algebraically).

3.4.6 Weather Forecasts

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- 41 Weather forecasts are weather forecast format-, time- and location-stamped quantities, the latter referred to as `wefo:WeFo`.
- 42 There are a definite number ($n \geq 1$) of weather forecast formats.
- 43 We do not presently define these various weather forecast formats.
- 44 They are here thought of as being requested, `mkWFReq`, by weather forecast consumers.

type

- 41 $WF = WFF \times (TIME \times TI) \times LOC \times WeFo$
- 42 $WFF = WFF1 \mid WFF2 \mid \dots \mid WFFn$
- 43 $WFF1, WFF2, \dots, WFFn$
- 44 $WFReq :: mkWFReq(s_wff:WFF, s_ti:(TIME \times TI), s_loc:LOC)$

3.4.7 Weather Forecast Consumer

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- 45 There is a programmable attribute, `d:D`, `D` for display (!).
- 46 Displays can be rendered (RND): visualized, tabularised, made audible, translated (between languages and language dialects, ...), etc.
- 47 A rendered display can be “abstracted back” into its basic form.
- 48 Any abstracted rendered display is identical to its abstracted form.

type

45 `D`

46 `RND`

value

45 `attr_D: WFC → D`

46 `rndr_D: RND × D → D`

47 `abs_D: D → D`

axiom

48 $\forall d:D, r:RND \bullet abs_D(rndr(r,d)) = d$

4 Perdurants

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4.1 A WIS Context

- 49 We postulate a given system, `wis:WIS`. 51 and its unique identifier,
- That system is characterized by 52 a set of weather stations
- 50 a dynamic weather 53 and their unique identifiers,

- 54 a single weather data interpreter
 55 and its unique identifier,
 56 a set of weather forecast consumers
 57 and their unique identifiers, and
 58 a single clock
- 59 and its unique identifier.
 60 Given any specific `wis:WIS` there is [therefore] a full set of part identifiers, `is`, of weather, clock, all weather stations, the weather data interpreter and all weather forecast consumers.

29

We list the above-mentioned values. They will be referenced by the channel declarations and the behaviour definitions of this section.

value

- 49 `wis:WIS`
 50 `w:W = obs_material_W(wis)`
 51 `wi:WI = uid_WI(w)`
 52 `wss:WSs = obs_part_WSs(obs_part_WSS(wis))`
 53 `wsis:WDGI-set = {uid_WSI(ws)|ws:WS•ws ∈ wss}`
 54 `wdi:WDI = obs_part_WDIS(wis)`
 55 `wdii:WDII = uid_WDII(wdi)`
 56 `wfcs:WFCs = obs_part_WFCs(obs_part_WFCS(wis))`
 57 `wfcis:WFI-set = {uid_WFCI(wfc)|wfc:WFC•wfc ∈ wfcs}`
 58 `clk:CLK = obs_part_CLK(wis)`
 59 `clki:CLKI = uid_CLKI(clk)`
 60 `is:(WI|WSI|WDII|WFCI)-set = {wi} ∪ wsis ∪ {wdii} ∪ wfcis`

4.2 Channels

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- 61 Weather stations share weather data, `WD`, with the weather data interpreter — so there is a set of channels, one each, “connecting” weather stations to the weather data interpreter.
- 62 The weather data interpreter shares weather forecast requests, `WFRReq`, and interpreted weather data (i.e., forecasts), `WF`, with each and every forecast consumer — so there is a set of channels, one each, “connecting” the weather data interpreter to the interpreted weather data (i.e., forecast) consumers.
- 63 The clock offers its current time value to each and every part, except the weather, of the `WIS` system.

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channel

- 61 `{ ch_si[wsi, wdii]:WD | wsi:WSI•wsi ∈ wsis }`
 62 `{ ch_ic[wdii, fci]:(WFRReq|WF) | fci:Fci•fci ∈ fcis }`

63 $\{ \text{ch_cp}[\text{clki}, i]: \text{TIME} \mid i: (\text{WI} \mid \text{CLKI} \mid \text{WSI} \mid \text{WDII} \mid \text{WFCI}) \bullet i \in \text{is} \}$

4.3 WIS Behaviours

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64 WIS behaviour, `wis_beh`, is the

65 parallel composition of all the weather station behaviours, in parallel with the

66 weather data interpreter behaviour, in parallel with the

67 parallel composition of all the weather forecast consumer behaviours, in parallel with
the

68 clock behaviour.

value

64 `wis_beh: Unit → Unit`

64 `wis_beh() ≡`

65 $\parallel \{ \text{ws_beh}(\text{uid_WSI}(\text{ws}), \text{mereo_WS}(\text{ws}), \dots) \mid \text{ws}: \text{WS} \bullet \text{ws} \in \text{wss} \} \parallel$

66 $\parallel \text{wdi_beh}(\text{uid_WDI}(\text{wdi}), \text{mereo_WDI}(\text{wdi}), \dots)(\text{wd_rep}, \text{wf_rep}) \parallel$

67 $\parallel \{ \text{wfc_beh}(\text{uid_WFCI}(\text{wfc}), \text{mereo_WDG}(\text{wfc}), \dots) \mid \text{wfc}: \text{WFC} \bullet \text{wfc} \in \text{wfcs} \} \parallel$

68 $\text{clk_beh}(\text{uid_CLKI}(\text{clk}), \text{mereo_CLK}(\text{clk}), \dots)(\text{"November 17, 2016, 14:47"})$

4.4 Clock

33

69 The clock behaviour has a programmable attribute, `t`.

70 It repeatedly offers its current time to any part of the WIS system.

It nondeterministically internally “cycles” between

71 retaining its current time, or

72 increment that time with a “small” time interval, δ , or

73 offering the current time to a requesting part.

value

69. `clk_beh: clki:CLKI × clkm:CLKM → TIME →`

70. `out {ch_cp[clki, i] | i: (WSI | WDII | WFCI) • i ∈ wsis ∪ {wdii} ∪ wfcs } Unit`

69. `clk_beh(clki, is)(t) ≡`

71. `clk_beh(clki, is)(t)`

72. $\square \text{clk_beh}(\text{clki}, \text{is})(t \oplus \delta)$

73. $\square (\square \{ \text{ch_cp}[\text{clki}, i] ! t \mid i: (\text{WSI} \mid \text{WDII} \mid \text{WFCI}) \bullet i \in \text{is} \} ; \text{clk_beh}(\text{clki}, \text{is})(t))$

4.5 Weather Station

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- 74 The weather station behaviour communicates with the global clock and the weather data interpreter.
- 75 The weather station behaviour simply “cycles” between sampling the weather, reporting its findings to the weather data interpreter and resume being that overall behaviour.
- 76 The weather station time-stamp “sample’ the weather (i.e., meteorological information).
- 77 The meteorological information obtained is analysed with respect to temperature (distribution etc.),
- 78 humidity (distribution etc.),
- 79 wind (distribution etc.),
- 80 barometric pressure (distribution etc.), etcetera,
- 81 and this is time-stamp and location aggregated (**mkWD**) and “sent” to the (central ?) weather data interpreter,
- 82 whereupon the weather data generator behaviour resumes.

value

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74 ws_beh: wsi:WSI × (clki,wi,wdii):WDGM × (LOC × ...) →
74   in ch_cp[clki,wsi] out ch_gi[wsi,wdii] Unit
75 ws_beh(wsi,(clki,wi,wdii),(loc,...)) ≡
77   let tdl = attr_TDL(w),
78       hdl = attr_HDL(w),
79       wdl = attr_WDL(w),
80       bpl = attr_BPL(w), ... in
81   ch_gi[wsi,wdii] ! mkWD((ch_cp[clki,wsi] ?,loc),(tdl,hdl,wdl,bpl,...)) end ;
82   wdg_beh(wsi,(clki,wi,wdii),(loc,...))

```

4.6 Weather Data Interpreter

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- 83 The weather data interpreter behaviour communicates with the global clock, all the weather stations and all the weather forecast consumers.
- 84 The weather data interpreter behaviour non-deterministically internally (\square) chooses to

- 85 either collect weather data,
 86 or calculate some weather forecast,
 87 or disseminate a weather forecast.

37

value

```

83 wdi_beh: wdii:WDII × (clki, wsis, wfcis):WDIM × ... → (WD_Rep × WF_Rep) →
83   in ch_cp[clki, wdii], { ch_si[ wsi, wdii ] | wsi:WSI • wsi ∈ wsis },
83   out { ch_ic[ wdii, wfcis ] | wfcis:WFCI • wfcis ∈ wfcis } Unit
83 wdi_beh(wdii, (clki, wsis, wfcis), ...)(wd_rep, wf_rep) ≡
85   collect_wd(wdii, (clki, wsis, wfcis), ...)(wd_rep, wf_rep)
84   []
86   calculate_wf(wdii, (clki, wsis, wfcis), ...)(wd_rep, wf_rep)
84   []
87   disseminate_wf(wdii, (clki, wsis, wfcis), ...)(wd_rep, wf_rep)

```

4.6.1 collect_wd

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- 88 The collect weather data behaviour communicates with the global clock and all the weather stations – but “passes-on” the capability to communicate with all of the weather forecast consumers.
- 89 The collect weather data behaviour
- 90 non-deterministically externally offers to accept weather data from some weather station,
- 91 updates the weather data repository with a time-stamped version of that weather data,
- 92 and resumes being a weather data interpreter behaviour, now with an updated weather data repository.

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value

```

88 collect_wd: wdii:WDII × (clki, wsis, wfcis):WDIM × ...
88   → (WD_Rep × WF_Rep) →
88   in ch_cp[clki, wdii], { ch_si[ wsi, wdii ] | wsi:WSI • wsi ∈ wsis },
88   out { ch_ic[ wdii, wfcis ] | wfcis:WFCI • wfcis ∈ wfcis } Unit
89 collect_wd(wdii, (clki, wsis, wfcis), ...)(wd_rep, wf_rep) ≡
90   let ((ti, loc), (hdl, tdl, wdl, bpl, ...)) = [] { wsi[ wsi, wdii ]? | wsi:WSI • wsi ∈ wsis } in
91   let wd_rep' = update_wdr(ch_cp[ clki, wdii ]?, ((ti, loc), (hdl, tdl, wdl, bpl, ...))) (wd_rep) in
92   wdi_beh(wdii, (clki, wsis, wfcis), ...)(wd_rep', wf_rep) end end

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4.6.2 **calculate_wf**

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- 93 The calculate forecast behaviour communicates with the global clock – but “passes-on” the capability to communicate with all of weather stations and the weather forecast consumers.
- 94 The calculate forecast behaviour
- 95 non-deterministically internally chooses a forecast type from among a indefinite set of such,
- 96 and a current or “future” time-interval,
- 97 whereupon it calculates the weather forecast and updates the weather forecast repository,
- 98 and then resumes being a weather data interpreter behaviour now with the weather forecast repository updated with the calculated forecast.

value

```

93 calculate_wf: wdii:WDII × (clki, wsis, wfcis):WDIM × ... → (WD_Rep × WF_Rep) →
93     in ch_cp[clki, wdii], { ch_si[ wsi, wdii ] | wsi:WSI • wsi ∈ wsis },
93     out { ch_ic[ wdii, wfcis ] | wfcis:WFCI • wfcis ∈ wfcis } Unit
94 calculate_wf(wdii, (clki, wsis, wfcis), ...) (wd_rep, wf_rep) ≡
95     let tf:WWF = ft1 [] ft2 [] ... [] ftn,
96         ti:(TIME × TIVAL) • toti ≥ ch_cp[clki, wdii] ? in
97         let wf_rep' = update_wfr(calc_wf(tf, ti)(wf_rep)) in
98         wdi_beh(wdii, (clki, wsis, wfcis), ...) (wd_rep, wf_rep') end end

```

- 99 The calculate_weather forecast function is, at present, further undefined.

value

```

99. calc_wf: WFF × (TIME × TI) → WFRep → WF
99. calc_wf(tf, ti)(wf_rep) ≡ ,,

```

4.6.3 **disseminate_wf**

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- 100 The disseminate weather forecast behaviour communicates with the global clock and all the weather forecast consumers – but “passes-on” the capability to communicate with all of weather stations.

- 101 The disseminate weather forecast behaviour non-deterministically externally offers to received a weather forecast request from any of the weather forecast consumers, *wfci*, that request is for a specific format forecast, *tf*, and either for a specific time or for a time-interval, *toti*, as well as for a specific location, *loc*.
- 102 The disseminate weather forecast behaviour retrieves an appropriate forecast and
- 103 sends it to the requesting consumer –
- 104 whereupon the disseminate weather forecast behaviour resumes being a weather data interpreter behaviour

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value

```

100 disseminate_wf: wdii:WDII × (clki, wsis, wfcis):WDIM × ... → (WD_Rep × WF_Rep) →
100     in ch_cp[clki, wdii] in, out { ch_ic[wdii, wfci] | wfci:WFCl • wfci ∈ wfcis } Unit
100 disseminate_wf(wdii, (clki, wsis, wfcis), ...)(wd_rep, wf_rep) ≡
101     let mkReqWF((tf, toti, loc), wfci) = [] {ch_ic[wdii, wfci] ? | wfci:WFCl • wfci ∈ wfcis} in
102     let wf = retr_WF((tf, toti, loc), wf_rep) in
103     ch_ic[wdii, wfci] ! wf ;
104     disseminate_wf(wdii, (clki, wsis, wfcis), ...)(wd_rep, wf_rep) end end

```

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- 105 The `retr_WF((tf, toti, loc), wf_rep)` function invocation retrieves the weather forecast from the weather forecast repository most “closely” matching the format, *tf*, time, *toti*, and location of the request received from the weather forecast consumer. We do not define this function.

105. `retr_WF: (WFF × (TIME × TI) × LOC) × WFRep → WF`
 105. `retr_WF((tf, toti, loc), wf_rep) ≡ ...`

We could have included, in our model, the time-stamping of receipt (formula Item 101) of requests, and the time-stamping of delivery of requested forecast in which case we would insert `ch_cp[clki, wdii]?` at respective points in formula Items 101 and 103.

4.7 Weather Forecast Consumer

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- 106 The weather forecast consumer communicates with the global clock and the weather data interpreter.
- 107 The weather forecast consumer behaviour
- 108 nondeterministically internally either
- 109 selects a suitable weather cast format, *tf*,

- 110 selects a suitable location, loc' , and
- 111 selects, $toti$, a suitable time (past, present or future) or a time interval (that is supposed to start when forecast request is received by the weather data interpreter.
- 112 With a suitable formatting of this triple, $mkReqWF(tf,loc',toti)$, the weather forecast consumer behaviour “outputs” a request for a forecast to the weather data interpreter (first “half” of formula Item 111) whereupon it awaits (;) its response (last “half” of formula Item 111) which is a weather forecast, wf ,
- 113 whereupon the weather forecast consumer behaviour resumes being that behaviour with its programmable attribute, d , being replaced by the received forecast suitably annotated;
- 108 or the weather forecast consumer behaviour
- 114 edits a display
- 115 and resumes being a weather forecast consumer behaviour with the edited programmable attribute, d' .

value

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106 wfc_beh: wfc:WFCI × (clki,wdii):WFCM × (LOC × ...) → D →
106     in ch_cp[clki,wfc],
106     in,out { ch_ic[wdii,wfc] | wfc:WFCI•wfc ∈ wfcis } Unit
107 wfc_beh(wfc,(clki,wdii),(loc,...))(d) ≡
109     let tf = tf1 [] tf2 [] ... [] tfn,
110         loc':LOC • loc'=loc∨loc'≠loc,
111         (t,ti):(TIME×TI) • ti≥0 in
112     let wf = (ch_ic[wdii,wfc] ! mkReqWF(tf,loc',(t,ti))) ; ch_ic[wdii,wfc] ? in
113     wfc_beh(wfc,(clki,wdii),(loc,...))((tf,loc',(t,ti)),wf) end end
108 []
114     let d':D { \EQ } ndr\_D(d,{\DOTDOTDOT}) in
115     wfc_beh(wfc,(clki,wdii),(loc,...))(d') end

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The choice of location may be that of the weather forecast consumer location, or it may be one different from that. The choice of time and time-interval is likewise a non-deterministic internal choice.

5 Conclusion

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5.1 Reference to Similar Work

As far as I know there are no published literature nor, to our knowledge, institutional or private works on the subject of modelling weather data collection, interpretation and weather forecast delivery systems.

5.2 What Have We Achieved ? 50

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5.3 What Needs to be Done Next ? 51

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