

The DOMAIN Method

Analysis & Description Languages

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Abstract

The DOMAIN Method entails two kinds of languages: the domain analysis and description prompt language, DAL, and the domain description language language, DDL. In this document we shall define the syntax of both – while informally & briefly explaining their purpose.

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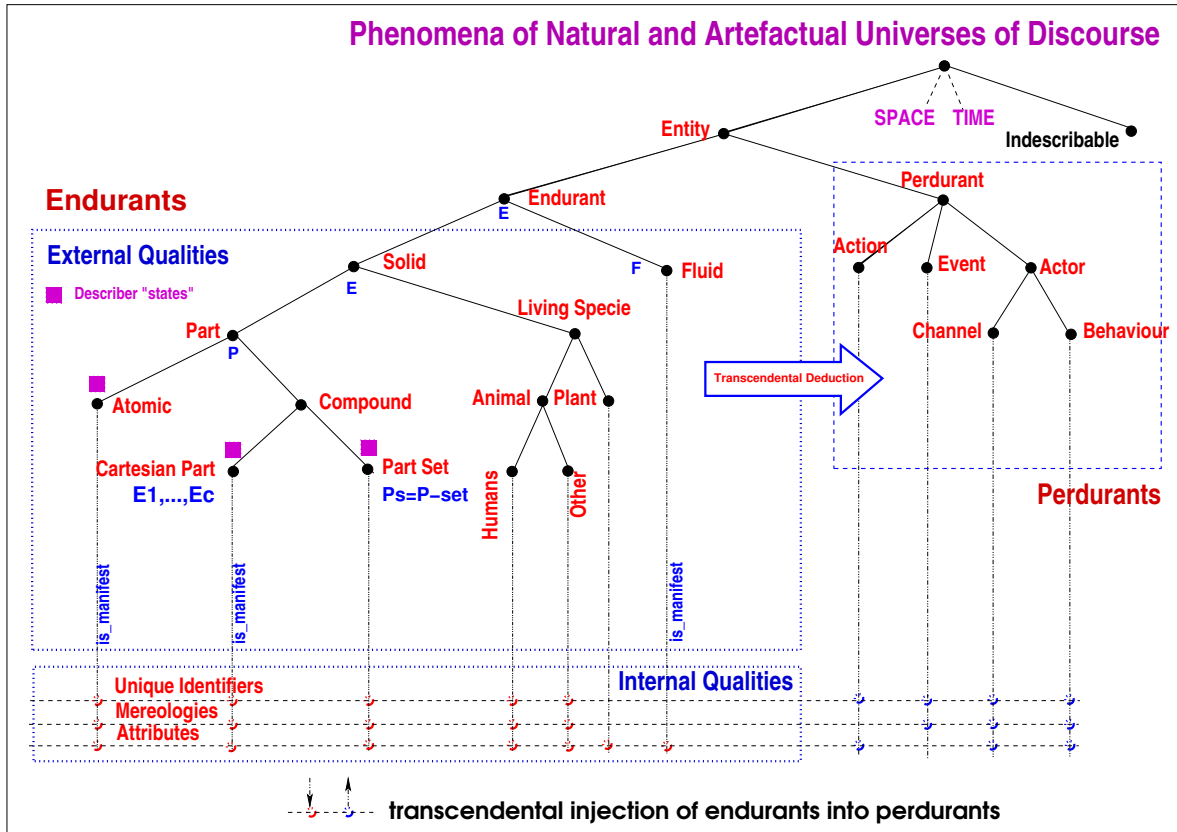


Figure 1: The DOMAIN Analysis & Description Ontology

Preamble

The DOMAIN Method “spring” from the following dogma:

The Triptych Dogma

In order to *specify* $\mathbb{S}$ oftware, we must understand its $\mathbb{R}$ equirements.
 In order to *prescribe* $\mathbb{R}$ equirements we must understand the $\mathbb{D}$ omain.
 So we must study, analyze and describe $\mathbb{D}$ omains.

$$\mathbb{D}, \mathbb{S} \models \mathbb{R}$$

In proofs of $\mathbb{S}$ oftware correctness,
 with respect to $\mathbb{R}$ equirements,
 assumptions are made with respect to the $\mathbb{D}$ omain.

An interpretation of the triptych dogma is interpreted in Fig. 1.

The present document is not intended for neither conference not journal publication. It is being / has been worked out by me, the author, as a means [i.e., the “working out”] to sort out / come to grips / better understand the very many issues that are hidden in the DOMAIN Method development process, [Bjø26g]. A final version is then intended to be posted on the Internet for readers

delectionation ! More seriously, for consultation and, perhaps, or hopefully, for someone to implement [BjØ26g].

It is not a first attempt to describe syntaxes related to the **DOMAIN** Method. Previous attempts were [BjØ26c, BjØ26b, BjØ26d, BjØ26e]. The present document is an extensively edited/revised/extended version of [BjØ26b].

In working out this document I have “amused” myself by going beyond a mere specification of the DAL and DDL syntaxes. I have, for most syntactic clauses related them to the Domain Analysis & Description Ontology of Fig. 1 on the preceding page, thereby also, sort of implicitly, related them, i.e., the clauses, to the **DOMAIN** Method [BjØ26g].

1 Introduction

By a *domain* we shall understand a *rationaly describable* segment of a *discrete dynamics* fragment of a *human assisted* reality: the world that we daily observe – in which we work and act, a reality made significant by human-created entities. The domain embody *endurants* and *perdurants*.

Endurants are those quantities of domains that we can observe (see and touch), in *space*, as “complete” entities at no matter which point in *time* – “material” entities that persists, endures – capable of enduring adversity, severity, or hardship [Merriam Webster].

Perdurants are those quantities of domains for which only a fragment exists, in *space*, if we look at or touch them at any given snapshot in *time* [Merriam Webster].

Over the years 2009 till present we have researched, experimentally applied [BjØ] and formulated [BjØ10a, BjØ08, BjØ10b, BjØ11a, BjØ09, BjØ11b, BjØ17, BjØ19c, BjØ20, BjØ, BjØ27, BjØ25b, BjØ25c, BjØ25d, BjØ25a, BjØ26a, BjØ26e, BjØ26c, BjØ26b, BjØ26d, BjØ16, BjØ26f, BjØ26g, BjØ26h] a rigorous method, **DOMAIN**, for analysing & describing domains.

A major tool of this method is a pair of languages: DAL for analysis, DDL for description. Together we refer to them as DADL. In this document we shall define a syntax for both.

2 A Syntax of DAL

The domain analysis language consists of a set of prompts.¹

¹Prompts are here seen as

- *výzva, tágo* [Czech],
- *stikord* [Danish],
- *cues* [US English],
- *signals* [French],
- *stichwörter* [German],
- *richiesta, spunto* [Italian],
- *podpowiedź or replika* [Polish],
- *incitar, deixa* [Portuguese],
- ‘signal’ [Russian],
- *inmediato, señal* [Spanish].

Our use of the term ‘prompt’ pre-dates the current term *prompt engineering*: the art and science of designing, testing, and refining text instructions to guide artificial intelligence models like large language models (LLMs) toward accurate, relevant, and safe outputs. Key components include clear instructions, proper context, and defining output formats – but, as You can read: there are many similarities: whee the domain analyser cum describers use **DOMAIN** analysis prompts when investigating “real”, actual man-made domains, prompt-engineering is to be used in connection with the use of AIs LLMs.

See also [<https://www.promptingguide.ai/>]

There are three kinds of domain analysis & description prompts:

- | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| • analysis predicates, | • analysis functions, | • description functions, |
| yield truth values | yield other than truth values | yield domain description units. |

They are all “performed”, i.e., “issued” and their outcome constructed/determined by the domain analyser cum describers. No computers are involved in this. Bit, perhaps, in some near future, some clever generative AI² may very well be involved ! We refer to Sect. 2.4 on page 9.

2.1 Analysis Predicate Prompts

Analysis predicate prompts yield either of three values: **true**, **false** or **chaos**. These value results are for the domain analyser cum describers’ use. If **true** one **course direction of analysis** is chosen in the course of analysis. If **false** another. If **chaos** it effectively means that the domain analyser cum describer has decided to abandon, to give up, the [goal of] describing the chosen domain !

The concept of **course direction of analysis** is embodied in Fig. 1 on page 3. Another form of Fig. 1 on page 3 is shown in Fig. 2 on the following page.

Various nodes are now labeled with what we shall refer to as “states”: [-1,-,1,2,...,8]. (We omit treatment of *living species*. *Perdurants* are not part of domain analysis. Their treatment is, as result of the *transcendental deduction* of manifest, behaviourable parts into behaviours, **synthetic**.)

The analysis predicates are:

• is_describable	[-1]	• is_fluid	[4]	plus the additional “silent operators” ³ :
• is_entity	[0]	• is_atomic	[5]	
• is_endurant	[1]	• is_compound	[6]	
• is_perdurant	[...]	• is_Cartesian	[7]	
• is_solid	[2]	• is_part_set	[8]	
• is_part	[3]			
• is_living ...	[...]			
				• is_manifest
				• is_behaviourable
				• is_structure
				• is_mobile
				• is_static

Here we have indicated [...] “states” associated with the domain analysis direction. The domain analyser cum describer starts in state [-1]. Proceeds either to state [0] or abandons the domain analysis & description “undertaking” altogether !

The further analysis process can be informally, yet reasonably rigorously described by the following “pseudo-program”.

Please **note** the use of “pseudo-program” comments shown as **[bracketed text]**.

We have “affixed” **state numbers** to the “pseudo program: .

value

1. uod:Uod,

² https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Generative_AI

³By “silent operators” we shall, informally, mean that the outcome of their application is recorded, but has no effect on the course of direction of the analysis !

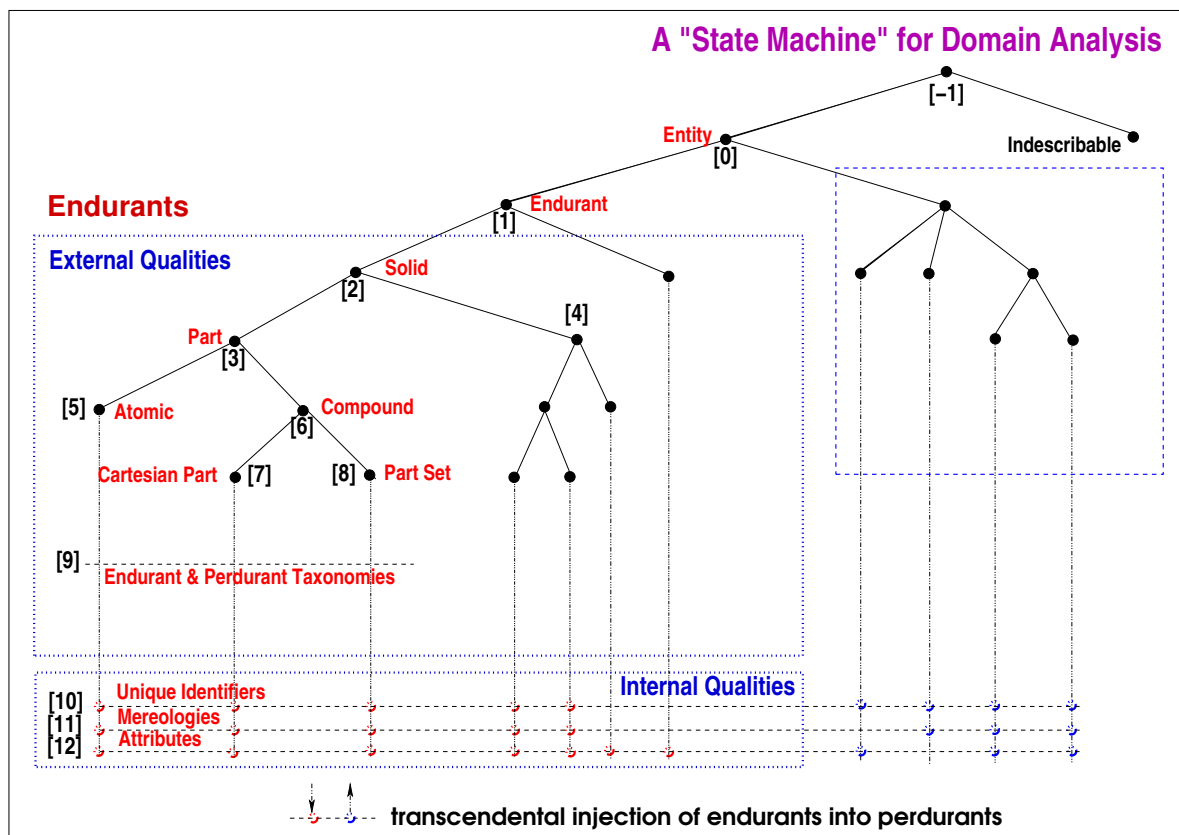


Figure 2: A DOMAIN Analysis "State Machine"

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variable
2. tbxa: $\mathcal{E}$ -set := {uod};
variable
3. tbia: $\mathcal{E}$ -set := {}
value
4. [-1] if  $\sim$  is_describable(uod) then chaos else analysis() end
4. [0] [the domain analyser cum describers proceed on the]
4. [0] [assumption that it is an endurant being analysed!]
value
4. analyse: Unit  $\rightarrow$  RSL+text  $\rightarrow$  Unit
4. analyse()  $\equiv$ 
5. while tbxa  $\neq$  {} do let e • e  $\in$  tbxa in tbxa := tbxa \ {e} ;
6. [2] if  $\sim$  is_solid(e) then ... [is_fluid(e)] else [[3] is_part(e)]
7. [5] if is_atomic(e) then tbia := {tbia}  $\cup$  {e} else [[6] is_compound(e)]
8. [7] if is_Cartesian(e) then describe_Cartesian(e)
9. [8] else describe_Part_Set(e)
4. end end end end end

```

The type $\mathcal{E}$ is the type union of all “to be discovered” endurant types.

The **describe** functions are given below, see Sect. 2.3 on page 9.

The **analyse** function proceeds on the assumption that the domain analyser cum describers are analysing (and **describing**) endurants.

1. The domain analysis is of the uod universe of discourse – “set aside” as a global **value**.
2. A global **variable**, tbxa, holds the set of endurants to be analysed for external qualities. Initially uod is its only member. Once a member of this “to be analysed” set has been / is being analysed it is removed from the set.
3. As an endurant is being **analysed** into its parts these are added to the set tbxa – these “additions” will be shown in the like-wise “pseud0-program” specifications of the **describe** “functions”.
4. If the domain is indescribable then the analysis & description endeavor is abandoned!
5. For as long as there are endurants to be analysed & described an element to be so is selected (and removed from those to be analysed). We are in analysis etc. “state” [2].

We refer to Fig. 2 on the facing page.

6. [2] If the endurant being examined is a fluid [3] then we skip that – we do not handle fluids in this document.

then the examined endurant is either atomic or compound:

7. [5] if atomic then, if manifest, it is joined to the set of parts to be analysed and described for internal qualities.
8. [7] A compound is either Cartesian or a part set. If Cartesian it is to be **described** (see below) [itself have been removed from tbxa] with the **describe** function adding its the observed parts of the Cartesian to tbxa.

9. [8] If it is not a Cartesian then it is a part set and **described** as such, with examined and revealed parts removed from, respectively joined to `tbxa`.

The next items do not relate to the present topic of analysis prompts:

10. When there are no more external qualities of endurants to be analysed and described the analysis proceeds to states [9]–[12]:
- the “creation” of a description of an endurant taxonomy [] and analysis and description of internal qualities of endurants:
 - [9] *unique identification*
 - [10] *perdurant taxonomy* and *mereology*
 - [11] *attributes* and possible/possibly
 - [12] *intentional pulls*.

2.2 Analysis Functions

DOMAIN Method analysis functions are applied as the result of prompts and yield other than `]sortBoolean` values. These values are noted by the domain analyser cum describers – say by being written down on a *domain analysis and description “dashboard”*!

11. We represent this dashboard as a global **variable**, the dashboard.

11. `dashboard:... := {}`

These are the **DOMAIN** Method analysis functions:

- | | |
|---|--|
| 12. <code>discover_Cartesian_part_sort_names</code> | 15. <code>discover_Attribute_type_name[s]</code> |
| 13. <code>discover_Part_Set_sort_name</code> | |
| 14. <code>discover_Mereology_sort_name</code> | 16. <code>discover_Intentional_Pull_name</code> |

We shall now detail these:

12. `discover_Cartesian_part_sort_names:`
13. `discover_Part_Set_sort_name:`
14. `discover_Mereology_sort_name:`
15. `discover_Attribute_type_name[s]:`
16. `discover_Intentional_Pull_name:`

2.3 Description functions

DOMAIN Method description functions are applied as the result of prompts and yield domain description units.

These domain description units are joined to a *domain description unit record*: dsu-record.

17. We represent this record as a global **variable**, the dsu_record.

11. dsu_record:DSU-set := {}

DSUs will be described in Sect. 3.

These are the DOMAIN Method description functions:

18. describe_Cartesian	21. describe_uniqueness	24. describe_attributes
19. describe_PartSets	22. describe_perdurant_taxonomy	25. describe_behaviours
20. describe_endurant_taxonomy	23. describe_mereology	26. describe_initialisation

We shall now detail these:

18. describe_Cartesian:
 19. describe_PartSets:
 20. describe_endurant_taxonomy:
 21. describe_uniqueness:
 22. describe_perdurant_taxonomy:
 23. describe_mereology:
 24. describe_attributes:
 25. describe_behaviours:
 26. describe_initialisation:

2.4 Prompt Engineering

We have earlier, footnote 2 on page 5, indirectly referred to the concept of *prompt engineering*.

Prompt Engineering “is the art and science of designing, testing, and refining text instructions to guide artificial intelligence models like large Language Models (LLMs) toward accurate, relevant, and safe outputs. Key components include clear instructions, proper context, and defining output formats” [<https://cloud.google.com/discover/what-is-prompt-engineering>].

We may very well consider this section, i.e., Sect. 2 (pages 4–10), a “*Prompt Engineering for the DOMAIN Method*”:

- Not ‘the’, but just ‘a’.
- Not for a large language machine, LLM.

- But for the analysis and description of actual, real domains.
- As such we can imagine the following kind of Generative AI LLM: **Domain_LLM**⁴
 - **Domain_LLM** embodies all the prompts mentioned in this section, i.e., pages 4–9.
 - **Domain_LLM** is then “trained” with the training data: examples, say taken from domain descriptions [Bjø].
 - Users of the **Domain_LLM** then “feed” **Domain_LLM** with what amounts to more-or-less perfect Narratives
 - and then expected to express their Formalisation answers in RSL/CSP and in the style of the Domain Specification Units to be covered in the [immediately] next section!

3 A Syntax of DDL

3.1 DOMAIN Specifications

27. A domain specification is a set of **domain specification units**, dsu.

27. DS ::= DSU-set

Domain specification units, although abstracted as a set, is presented in some linear order – where it is clear, from the below syntax for these units, where it begins and where it ends. So we redefine DS:

28. A domain specification thus contains

- | | |
|---|------------------|
| (a) exactly one universe of discourse dsu; | UOD_DSU |
| (b) one endurant taxonomy dsu, | E_TAX_DSU |
| (c) two or more endurant part dsus, | EP_DSU |
| (d) one endurant part global value DSU | EPV_DSU, EPS_DSU |
| i. for one or more endurant dsus, | |
| ii. and one “state” dsu, | |
| (e) one or more unique identification dsus, | UID_DSU |
| i. a unique identifier values dsu, | UIDV_DSU |

⁴**Generative AI** [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Generative_AI]: (GenAI) is a sub-field of AI that uses generative models to generate text, images, videos, audio, software code or other forms of data. These models learn the underlying patterns and structures of their training data, and use them to generate new data in response to input, which often takes the form of natural language prompts.

Generative Model: Generative models are a class of computational models frequently used for classification. In machine learning, it typically models the joint distribution of inputs and outputs, such as $P(X, Y)$, or it models how inputs are distributed within each class, such as $P(X|Y)$ together with a class prior $P(Y)$. Because it describes a full data-generating process, a generative model can be used to draw new samples that resemble the observed data, a process often referred to as synthetic data generation. Generative models are used for density estimation, simulation, and learning with missing or partially labeled data. In classification, they can predict labels by combining $P(X|Y)$ and $P(Y)$ and applying Bayes’ rule. Generative models are often contrasted with discriminative models, which focus on predicting outputs from inputs directly. Generative model approaches which uses a joint probability distribution instead, include naive Bayes classifiers, Gaussian mixture models, variational autoencoders, generative adversarial networks and others.

ii. a uniqueness axiom dsu,	UNIQ_DSU
(f) one perdurant taxonomy dsu,	P_TAX_DSU
(g) one or more mereology dsus,	MER_DSU
(h) one or more attribute dsus,	ATTR_DSU
(i) zero or more intentional pull dsu,	IPULL_DSU
(j) zero or more variable declaration dsus,	VAR_DSU
(k) exactly one channel declaration dsu,	CH_DSU
(l) one or more [informal, yet rigorous] action dsus,	ACT_DSU
(m) two or more behaviour signature & definition dsus,	BEH_DSU
(n) and one domain initialization dsu,	INIT_DSU

The use of $^+$ in DSU^+ does not mean *Kleene closure*, but is just part of the identifier name DSU^+ .

27.	DS	::=	DSU^+	Domain Specification
28a.	DSU^+	::=	UOD_DSU	Collection of DSUs
28c.		×	EP_DSU- set ₂	Endurants
28b.		×	E_TAX_DSU	Edurant Taxonomy
28(d)i.		×	EPV_DSU- set ₁	Global Part Values
28(d)ii.		×	EPS_DSU- set ₁	State
28e.		×	UID_DSU- set ₁	Unique Identification
28(e)i.		×	UIDV_DSU- set ₁	Global UID Values
28(e)ii.		×	UNIQ_DSU	Part Uniqueness
28f.		×	P_TAX_DSU	Perdurant Taxonomy
28g.		×	MER_DSU- set ₂	Mereology
28h.		×	ATTR_DSU- set ₂	Attributes
28i.		×	IPULL_DSU- set ₀	Intentional Pulls
28j.		×	VAR_DSU- set ₀	Possible Global Variables
28k.		×	CH_DSU	Channel
28l.		×	ACT_DSU	Actions
28m.		×	BEH_DSU- set ₂	Behaviours
28n.		×	INIT_DSU	Initialisation

Concrete syntax-speaking, You may think of the elements of the dsus being separated by some syntactic marker, typically the display lines⁵ mentioned [first] in the syntaxes given below – or as noted to the right [“fifth column”] in the above table.

In those syntaxes we may show [right hand side of ::=] elements of a syntactical [left hand side] category on several lines [separated by × symbols]. These ‘several’ elements could all be listed on same line as the ‘::=’. Listing them on these separate lines is an informal suggestion that they may concretely, in actual RSL texts be shown on similarly separate lines.

⁵These display lines may be in the form of section, subsection, sub-subsection, paragraph and subparagraph display lines.

3.2 Some Remarks

3.2.1 On an Order of Analysis & Description

We remind the reader of how domain analysis & description ('examination') proceeds:

In those steps, of analysing a domain, where the analyser is analysing a compound endurant, E , that is either a Cartesian part or a part set parts, the analyser "discovers" a set of parts, $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n$, and [decides] on their types and observers: $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_n$, respectively PS and P .

In those steps the analyser "sets aside", for the case of analysing a Cartesian, $p_1:E_1, p_2:E_2, \dots, p_n:E_n$, and the case of part set parts, one of $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n$, i.e., $p_i:P$.

This "setting aside" is to a nonuplet⁶ analysis & description state⁷: $\xi : \Xi$:

- (i) $\xi_{USN} : \Xi_{USN}$: the set of used sort names;
- (ii) $\xi_{BSN} : \Xi_{BSN}$: the set of sort names selected for internal quality analysis & description and for their transcendental deduction into behaviours;
- (iii) $\xi_E : \Xi_E$: endurants ($E_1, E_2, \dots, E_n$ or P) to be further analysed and described;
- (iv) $\xi_D : \Xi_D$: the domain description text "generated" so far, a list in the order described⁸;
- (v) $\xi_{Es} : \Xi_{Es}$: a most recent last list⁹ of either "**mk_Uod**(uod)", "**mk_C**($E_1, E_2, \dots, E_n$)" or "**mk_S**(PS, P)";
- (vi) $\xi_{Val} : \Xi_{Val}$: a most recent last list of RSL^+ text value definitions.
- (vii) $\xi : \Xi$
- (viii) $\xi_{temporary} : \Xi_{temporary}$: a sequence of RSL^+ texts, and
- (ix) $\xi_{ASN} : \Xi_{ASN}$: a set of unused, i.e., available sort names.¹⁰

Once a compound endurant has been described the analyser cum describer selects, from $\xi_E : \Xi_E$ an endurant to be examined next! The order, really, is, semantically, not important but we suggest an order: those endurant discovered first are to be examined next! Initially $\xi_E : \Xi_E$ contains the universe-of-discourse! and $\xi_D : \Xi_D$ is "empty". It is also advised to "append" the "most recently generated description texts" to $\xi_D : \Xi_D$ "to the end" of $\xi_D : \Xi_D$.

We shall refer to $\xi : \Xi$ as the analysis & description state.¹¹

3.2.2 No Recursively Defined Endurants

Based on both extensive domain modeling [BjØ] and on rational reasoning [BjØ20] we can state that domains do not exhibit inherently recursively definable endurants¹².

⁶nonuplet: group of nine!

⁷The elements of the nonuplet are a kind of "dashboards": maintained by the human analyser cum describer during the domain analysis & description process – if not on paper or other media, then at least in the minds of the domain analyser cum describers.

⁸– appending most recent descriptions "at the end"

⁹extracted from $\xi_D : \Xi_D$

¹⁰We shall not attempt to further define $\xi : \Xi$ nor to detail operations on its components. We refer to [BjØ20, Sect. 4.20, Sect. 5.8, and Sect. 7.12] for details.

¹¹The above was written 10-13 February 2026. As of August 4, 2026: 22:57 it is a bit "unrehearsed": This whole text, pages 12–12, need by "cleaned up", better structured, etc.

¹²Oh no, You – and my dear colleagues – might object: what about trees? Well, I model trees as graphs of a special, i.e., restricted, kind <https://www.imm.dtu.dk/~dibj/2021/Graphs/nets.pdf>.

3.2.3 On [Choice of] Endurant Names

The “problem” here is “*how do the domain analyser cum describer choose names – for endurants, unique identifiers, mereologies, attributes, values, variables, channels and behaviours*”.

There are three issues here: (i) first there is the “problem” of whether an analysis of an enduring part leads to the possibility of having to choose an already defined sort name; secondly. (ii) there is the “problem” of choosing a sort name that has not been used before in the analysis & description; and (iii) thirdly, there is the issue of “message” to be conveyed to the reader of the [emerging] domain description.

As for (i) we have this to say: If You are confronted with the having to choose a sort or an attribute type name that, to You, appears to have been chosen before, then consider the possibility that the two or more such possibilities may actually [have to] be distinct: their “origin”: the enduring from which they derive are distinctly named, so, perhaps, the two or more instances of names for “sub-parts” or attributes, should reflect that.¹³

As for (ii) we introduced, just above, the “dashboard” states $\xi_{USN} : \Xi_{USN}$ and $\xi_{ASI} : \Xi_{ASI}$. They “hold” used, respectively unused sort names.

With respect to (iii) we suggest that You choose a mnemonic¹⁴ “pleasing” name, usually a terse abbreviation thereof.

3.3 Universe of Discourse

See Example A.1 on page 30.

29. A universe of discourse dsu contains

- A **Universe of Discourse**. display line,
- a **type** literal,
- a distinct universe of discourse “endurant” sort name
- a reasonably precise text,
- and, it is suggested, an **end** of the universe of discourse dsu literal.

29. UOD_DSU ::= UoD × **Universe of Discourse**.

29. × Text

29. × **end**

The meaning of UOD_DSU is then the text to the right of the ::= marker. Once UOD_DSU has been “performed” $\xi_{Es} : \Xi_{Es}$ is initialized to $\langle \mathbf{mk_UoD}(si) \rangle$, UoD is “added” to $\xi_{USN} : \Xi_{USN}$, and $\xi_{Val} : \Xi_{Val}$ is initialised to the RSL⁺text: ``**value** uod:UoD'’.

3.4 Endurants

We present the syntax of enduring dsus in two steps. First the syntax of external quality dsus: EP_DSU and EPV_DSU, then the syntax of internal quality dsus.

¹³A case in point, for example, is this: the enduring parts *links* (street segments of a road net) have attribute *lengths*, and the enduring parts *automobiles* may be assigned *length* attributes. We would suggest to name these two lengths distinctly: LinkLength, respectively AutomobileLength.

¹⁴Mnemonic: a device such as a pattern of letters, ideas, or associations that assists in remembering something.

3.4.1 External qualities

3.4.1.1 EP_DSU: Endurant Parts. See Example A.2 on page 30.

30. An enduring part dsu observer is

- (a) either a Cartesian enduring part dsu
- (b) or a part set part dsu.

30. EP_DSU ::=

30a. C_EP_DSU

30b. | PS_EP_DSU

3.4.1.1.1 C_EP_DSU: A Cartesian Observer.

31. A Cartesian enduring part dsu contains

- (a) an enduring sort name, S, prefixing a display line: **Cartesian Part**.
- (b) a **type** literal,
- (c) a set of observed enduring sort names: E1, E2, ..., En – where E1, E2, ..., En are chosen from $\xi_{ASN} : \Xi_{ASN}$
- (d) a **value** literal,
- (e) and for each sort name, Ei, the signature of the corresponding **obs_Ei** observer function.

31. C_EP_DSU ::= E × **Cartesian Part**.

31b. × **type**

31c. × E1, E2, ..., En

31d. × **value**

31e. × **obs_E1**:E→E1,**obs_E2**:E→E2,...,**obs_En**:E→En

The meaning of C_EP_DSU is then the text to the right of the ::= marker. Once C_EP_DSU has been “performed” the right-hand side of the ::= is appended to the end of $\xi_{Es} : \Xi_{Es}$ and E1, E2, ..., En are “added” to $\xi_{USN} : \Xi_{USN}$ – and removed from $\xi_{ASN} : \Xi_{ASN}$. The list of RSL⁺ text value definitions

- “**value** e1:E1 = **obs_E1**(e), e2:E2 = **obs_E2**(e), ..., en:En = **obs_En**(e)”

is appended to $\xi_{Val} : \Xi_{Val}$. Here e:E is a value [already] defined in $\xi_{Val} : \Xi_{Val}$.

3.4.1.1.2 PS_EP_DSU: Endurant Part Set Parts.

32. A part set parts dsu contains

- (a) an enduring sort name, S, prefixing a display line: **Part Set Part**;
- (b) a **type** literal;
- (c) a pair of the type name, P, of the set, PS, of parts observed from S, where PS is defined as sets of P elements – where PS, P are chosen from $\xi_{ASN} : \Xi_{ASN}$;
- (d) a **value** literal;

(e) and the signature, **obs_PS**, of the PS observer function.

- 32. PS_EP_DSU ::= E × **Parts Set Parts**.
- 32b. × **type**
- 32c. × PS = P-set, P
- 32d. × **value**
- 32e. × **obs_PS**: E → PS

The meaning of PS_EP_DSU is then the text to the right of the ::= marker. Once PS_EP_DSU has been “performed” the right-hand side of the ::= is appended to the end of $\xi_{Es} : \Xi_{Es}$ and PS, P are “added” to $\xi_{USN} : \Xi_{USN}$ – and removed from $\xi_{ASN} : \Xi_{ASN}$.

The list of RSL⁺text value definitions

- “**value** ps:PS = { p | p:P :- p ∈ **obs_PS**(e) }”

is appended to $\xi_{Val} : \Xi_{Val}$. Here e:E is a value [already] defined in $\xi_{Val} : \Xi_{Val}$.

• • •

And: once all endurants have been analysed wrt. their possible non-atomicity, i.e., as to whether they embody further compound parts, the domain analyser cum describer decides on which endurant parts are to be transcendently deduced, i.e., morphed, converted, into behaviours.

Let us refer to this subset of $\xi_{USN} : \Xi_{USN}$ as manifest, then $\xi_{BSN} : \Xi_{BSN}$ is initialised to manifest.

3.4.1.1.3 A Note on Part Set Parts The P in PS = P-set is considered atomic. That is: is restricted to be atomic!

Sometimes P is of the form:¹⁵

type

PS = P-set

P == P1 | P2 | ... | Pn

P1 :: **attr_A11**:A11 × **attr_A11**:A12 × ... × **attr_A1m**{1}:A1m{1}

P2 :: **attr_A21**:A12 × **attr_A21**:A22 × ... × **attr_A2m**{2}:A2m{2}

...

Pn :: **attr_An1**:An1 × **attr_An2**:An2 × ... × **attr_Ann**{n}:Anm{n}

Parts of type Pi, for i in the interval 1 to n, are expressed by **mk_Pi**(ai1,ai2,...,aim_i). ai_j’s are attributes of Pi and hence of P. **attr_Aij** are attribute observers of Pi and P¹⁶. These are, of course, “still” atomic. Any attributes ascribed to P are also, inter alia, attributes of Pi – to which one may ascribe further attributes.

3.4.1.2 TAX_DSU: An Endurant Part Taxonomy See Example A.4 on page 31. [We refer to Carl von Linnaeus, the originator of the term Taxonomy¹⁷.] A visual domain model taxonomy of the structure of parts do not add to the meaning of the domain model. It is merely of practical help in comprehending the possible complexity of the domain.

¹⁵This is a restriction of conventional RSL [GHH⁺92] – but is a construct of RSL⁺text.

¹⁶See Sect. 3.4.2.5 on page 20.

¹⁷https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carl_Linnaeus and to his main work: https://ia600508.us.archive.org/9/items/mobot31753000798865/mobot31753000798865_bw.pdf

33. A taxonomy dsu starts with a **Taxonomy** display line, usually prefixed by the name, E, of the “overall”, i.e., a “main” part that is “at the root” of the taxonomy, i.e., the usually compound part whose siblings – and again their siblings, etc., till we “reach”, as leaves of the taxonomy tree, the atomic parts.
- (a) The TAX_DSU tree-like diagram has as its root a box labeled with E.
 - (b) In general now, if the taxonomy box stands for an atom then we leave it there: no taxonomy sub-tree emanating from that box.
 - (c) If the taxonomy box, E, stands for a Cartesian endurant with components E1, E2, ..., En then we draw, on the same horizontal line below box E, n boxes, connected to box E by straight, usually slanted lines, n boxes, left-to-right, labeled E1, E2, ..., En.
 - (d) If the taxonomy box, E, stands for a part set, then we draw, below it, a box labeled with the part set name, f.ex., PS, observed from E – connected to box E by a vertical line.
 - (e) This is followed by drawing two or three boxes, “immediately” below box PS and on the same horizontal line and all identically labeled by the same endurant sort name, say P, where P is the type occurring in PS = P-set observed from E.
 - (f) The above diagram construction instructions are followed till all domain endurants “derivable” from E have been followed.

33. TAX_DSU ::= E × **Taxonomy**
 33a. × The taxonomy diagram resulting from 33a–33f.

The meaning of TAX_DSU is then the text to the right of the ::= marker. Once EPV_DSU has been “performed” the right-hand side of the ::= is appended to the end of $\xi_{Es} : \Xi_{Es}$.

3.4.1.3 EPV_DSU: Endurant Part Values: See Example A.3 on page 31.

The analyser cum describer decides to “apply” the EPV_DSU “prompt”.¹⁸ To generate the ... we make use of the information “kept in” $\xi_{Val} : \Xi_{Val}$. To recall, $\xi_{Val} : \Xi_{Val}$ contains an ordered list of value definitions of the form:

- **value** e:E = $\mathcal{E}(\dots)$

The RSL⁺text to be generated as a result of the invocation of the EPV_DSU dsu is now, first, this ordered list of value definitions. Then the domain analyser cum describer decides on yet some endurant part value, for example, σ_{parts} , the union of all of the values defined in $\xi_{Val} : \Xi_{Val}$ – where those which are single value definitions are made into single element sets. The domain analyser cum describer may then decide to identify one or more subsets of σ_{parts} , for example that, $\sigma_{atomicparts}$, which contains only atomic parts. Thus:

34. An endurant part values dsu contains:

- (a) the [display line] keyword **Part Values**
- (b) the literal **value**,
- (c) a list of value definitions – as kept in ξ_{Val} , where ξ_{Val} is of the form:
 - e1:E1 = $\mathcal{E}_1$,

¹⁸There is no “node” in Fig. 1 on page 3 which prescribes so. So the decision is really when the $\xi_D : \Xi_E$ is first empty !

- $e2:E1 = \mathcal{E}_2$,
 - ...
 - $em:E1 = \mathcal{E}_m$,
- (d) the definition of σ_{parts} the union of all of the above values ($e1, e2, \dots, em$) where, if ei is a part set, then the distributed union of all its elements;
- (e) then $\sigma_{atomic_{parts}}$, a subset of σ_{parts} where its elements are atoms;
- (f) and, finally, $\sigma_{behav_{parts}}$, the set of parts for which the domain analyser cum describer seek their behaviours, see Item 44e page 24.

34.	EPV_DSU	::=	Part Values
34b.		×	value
34c.		×	$e1:E1 = \mathcal{E}_1$,
34c.		×	$e2:E2 = \mathcal{E}_2$,
34c.		×	...
34c.		×	$em:Em = \mathcal{E}_m$,
34d.		×	σ_{parts}
34e.		×	$\sigma_{atomic_{parts}}$
34f.		×	$\sigma_{behav_{parts}}$

The σ_{parts} is used by the uniqueness of part dsu, cf. Sect. 3.4.2.3 on page 19.

The meaning of EPV_DSU is then the text to the right of the ::= marker. Once EPV_DSU has been “performed” the right-hand side of the ::= is appended to the end of $\xi_{Es} : \Xi_{Es}$.

3.4.2 Internal Qualities

Analysing and describing the internal qualities of endurants is indicated by the the **red** “bullets” on the dashed, horizontal lines at the bottom of Fig. 1 on page 3. [The **blue** bullets indicate that they are used by perdurants.]

3.4.2.1 UID_DSU: Unique Identifiers See Example A.5 on page 31.

Invocation of the UID_DSU dsu is only meaningful after the domain analyser cum describer has completed analysis & description of all endurants. At this point in development the domain analyser cum describer must decide which endurants the “elevate” to perdurant-hood”, i.e., to be transcendently deduced to behaviour. The result of this decision is manifest Invocation is then suggested to be the very first next domain modeling step.

35. A unique identifier [or: unique identification] dsu contains

- (a) the endurant sort names, $E1, E2, \dots, En$, for which the unique identification is sought, and a display line **Unique Identification** – the $E1, E2, \dots, En$ are those listed in $\xi_{BSN} : \Xi_{BSN}$ [manifest];
- (b) a **type** literal
- (c) and a list of suitably chosen unique identifier sort names, say “I” suffixing Ei , i.e. EiI ;
- (d) a **value** literal
- (e) and a list of the signatures of the unique identifier observers, **uid**_{Ei}.

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35.  UID_DSU ::=
35a.      E1, E2, ..., En × Unique Identification
35b.      × type
35c.      × E1I, E2I, ..., EnI
35d.      × value
35e.      × uid_E1: E1 → E1I
35e.      × uid_E2: E2 → E2I
35e.      × ...
35e.      × uid_En: En → EnI

```

Two or more sort unique identifications are “lumped” together – corresponding to the display line E1, E2, ..., En **Unique Identification**. By choosing to name the unique identifier sort as the sort name suffixed with I we can guarantee, due to the distinctness of endurant sort names, that the unique identifier sort names are also distinct.

The unique identifier analysis and description of endurants is a “mechanical” effort as illustrated by the above: the text of the UID_DSU dsu can, in a sense, be generated automatically. The meaning of UID_DSU is then the text to the right of the ::= marker. Once UID_DSU has been “performed” the right-hand side of the ::= is appended to the end of $\xi_{Es} : \Xi_{Es}$.

3.4.2.2 UIDV_DSU: Unique Identifier Values: See Example A.6 on page 32.

The analyser cum describer decides to “apply” the UIDV_DSU “prompt”. The invocation of UIDV_DSU can take place right after completion of the invocation of UID_DSU.

In Sect. 3.4.1.3 on page 16 we introduced and defined the notion of endurant values and endurant value states (ξ_{Val} and $\sigma_{parts}, \sigma_{atomic_{parts}}$, etc.).

36. The unique identifier values dsu contains the [display line] keyword **Unique Identifier Values**.

- (a) The literal **value**.
- (b) A list of unique identifier value definitions corresponding to the endurant value definitions of lines 34c on page 16.
- (c) It is then suggested, as the definition will be used subsequently, i.e., next (!), to define the set of the unique identifiers of all parts, and
- (d) of those of only the atomic parts.

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36.  EPV_DSU ::= Unique Identifier Values.
36a.      × value
36b.      × e1uid:E1I = uid_E1(e1),
36b.      × e2uid:E2I = uid_E2(e2),
36b.      × ...
36b.      × emuid:EmI = uid_Em(em),
36c.      ×  $\sigma_{uid_{parts}} = \{ \mathbf{uid\_E}(p) \mid p:E \in \sigma_{parts} \}$ 
36d.      ×  $\sigma_{uid_{atomic_{parts}}} = \{ \mathbf{uid\_E}(p) \mid p:E \in \sigma_{atomic_{parts}} \}$ 

```

The meaning of UIDV_DSU is then the text to the right of the ::= marker. Once UIDV_DSU has been “performed” the right-hand side of the ::= is appended to the end of $\xi_{Es} : \Xi_{Es}$.

3.4.2.3 UNIQ_DSU: Uniqueness of Parts

See Example A.7 on page 33.
As the result of the invocation of the EPV_DSU dsu, Sect. 3.4.1.3 on page 16, we have recorded in σ_{parts} , the set of all parts, and in $\sigma_{atomic_{parts}}$ the set of all atomic parts, and as the result of the invocation of the UIDV_DSU dsu we have defined their corresponding unique identifier values.

37. The uniqueness of parts is expressed in the [display line] keyword **Uniqueness of Parts**.

- (a) followed by the literal **axiom**
- (b) followed by the axiom that all parts are uniquely identified, i.e., the cardinality of σ_{parts} equals the cardinality of $\sigma_{uid_{parts}}$,

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37.  UNIQ_DSU ::= Uniqueness of Parts.
37a.      ×      axiom
37b.      ×      card  $\sigma_{parts}$  = card  $\sigma_{uid_{parts}}$ 

```

The meaning of UNIQ_DSU is then the text to the right of the ::= marker. Once UNIQ_DSU has been “performed” the right-hand side of the ::= is appended to the end of $\xi_{Es} : \Xi_{Es}$.

3.4.2.4 MER_DSU: Mereology.

See Example A.8 on page 33.
The “generation” of unique identifier definitions was, sort of, “automatic”. Not so for the “generation” of mereology definitions. Here the specific mereology for each [manifest] part requires that the domain analyser cum describer thinks carefully about how each part “relates” to other parts, where “relate” can be taken in the sense of how each part behaviour communicates with other part behaviours.

38. The mereologies of parts dsu contains the [display line] keyword **Mereologies**,

- (a) the literal **type**;
- (b) a list of mereology type definitions of the form $ME = \mathcal{T}(EI1, EI2, \dots, EI_n)$, where $\mathcal{T}(EI1, EI2, \dots, EI_n)$ is a type expression and $EI1, EI2, \dots, EI_n$ are types of part identifiers (defined in items 35c– 35e on page 17),
- (c) the literal **value**; and
- (d) a list of corresponding mereology observers.

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38.  MER_DSU ::= Mereologies
38a.      type
38b.      ×       $ME1 = \mathcal{T}_1(EI11, EI12, \dots, EI1n),$ 
38b.      ×       $ME2 = \mathcal{T}_2(EI21, EI22, \dots, EI2n),$ 
38b.      ×      ...
38b.      ×       $ME_m = \mathcal{T}_m(EIm1, EIm2, \dots, EImn)$ 
38c.      value
38d.      ×      mereo_E1:  $E1 \rightarrow ME1,$ 
38d.      ×      mereo_E2:  $E2 \rightarrow ME2,$ 
38d.      ×      ...
38d.      ×      mereo_Em:  $Em \rightarrow MEm$ 

```

The meaning of MEREO_DSU is then the text to the right of the ::= marker. Once MEREO_DSU has been “performed” the right-hand side of the ::= is appended to the end of $\xi_{Es} : \Xi_{Es}$.

3.4.2.5 ATTR_DSU: Attributes. See Example A.9 on page 34.

As for MERO_DSU, the decision as to which attributes (type names and, especially, attribute type definitions) to ascribe to parts depends very much on the analytic skills of the domain analyser cum describer.

39. The attributes of parts dsu contains the [display line] keyword **Attributes**,

- (a) the literal **type**,
- (b) a list of attribute type definitions,
- (c) the literal **value**, and
- (d) a list of signatures of attribute type observers.

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39. ATTR_DSU ::= Attributes
    39a. × type
    39b. ×  $A1_1 = \mathcal{T}_{11}(T_{11_1}, T_{11_2}, \dots, T_{11_{m_1}}), \dots, A1_{m_1} = \mathcal{T}_{1m_1}(T_{1m_1_1}, T_{1m_1_2}, \dots, T_{1m_1_{m_1}})$ 
    39b. ×  $A2_1 = \mathcal{T}_{21}(T_{21_1}, T_{21_2}, \dots, T_{21_{m_2}}), \dots, A2_{m_2} = \mathcal{T}_{2m_2}(T_{2m_2_1}, T_{2m_2_2}, \dots, T_{2m_2_{m_2}})$ 
    39b. × ...
    39b. ×  $An_1 = \mathcal{T}_{n1}(T_{n1_1}, T_{n1_2}, \dots, T_{n1_{m_n}}), \dots, An_{mn} = \mathcal{T}_{nm}(T_{nm_1}, T_{nm_2}, \dots, T_{nm_{mn}})$ 
    39c. × value
    39d. × attr_A11: E1 → A11
    39d. × ...
    39d. × attr_Anmn: En → Anmn

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The above formulation may seem “involved”, but it really is not. Just read the individual Ai_j as attribute type names for endurant Ei and the type expressions $\mathcal{T}_i(T_{i_1}, T_{i_2}, \dots, T_{i_n})$ as simple type expressions over RSL types.

The meaning of ATTR_DSU is then the text to the right of the ::= marker. Once ATTR_DSU has been “performed” the right-hand side of the ::= is appended to the end of $\xi_{Es} : \Xi_{Es}$.

3.4.3 IPULL_DSU: Intentional Pull.

See Example A.10 on page 35.

40. The intentional pull dsu is very simple: it contains

- (a) a **Intentional Pulls** display line
- (b) and a set of one more separate intentional pull formulations, each of the form:
- (c) an intentional pull **Name** IPull_Name_i
- (d) enumerated text and a likewise
- (e) enumerate formalization in the form of an axiom.

40.	IPULL_DSU	::=	
40a.			Intentional Pulls
40c.	×		Name: IPull_Name ₁
40d.	×		text
40e.	×		axiom $\mathcal{A}_1(\dots)$
40c.	×		Name: IPull_Name ₂
40d.	×		text
40e.	×		axiom $\mathcal{A}_2(\dots)$
40.	×		...
40c.	×		Name: IPull_Name _p
40d.	×		text
40e.	×		axiom $\mathcal{A}_p(\dots)$

The meaning of IPULL_DSU is then the text to the right of the ::= marker. Once IPULL_DSU has been “performed” the right-hand side of the ::= is appended to the end of $\xi_{Es} : \Xi_{Es}$.

3.5 Perdurants

3.5.1 CH_DSU: Channel

See Example A.13 on page 39.

41. The channel dsu is very simple: it contains

- (a) a **Channel Declaration** display line,
- (b) the literal **channel** line, and
- (c) the channel declaration: naming the channel (as an array of channels), say ch and the index set of the channel array: The set $\{ui, uj\}$ of all pairs of unique identifier parts – and the type, MSG, of the messages communicated over the channel.

41a	CH_DSU	::=	Channel Declaration
41b	×		channel
41c	×		$\{ \text{ch}[\{\{ui, uj\} \mid \{ui, uj\} \in \sigma_{uid_{parts}}\}] : \text{MSG}$

The type MSG “transpires” from the action definitions, i.e., from the messages communicated between part behaviours ($\{ui, uj\}$).

The domain analyser cum describer can, at this stage of the development of the domain model, analyse which such output/input messages/values are sent/received ($\text{ch}[\{ui, uj\}] ! \text{expr} / \text{ch}\{ui, uj\}[\{ui, uj\}] ?$) by behaviours. But we suggest to postpone that to the treatment of behaviour actions. See the next section.

The meaning of CH_DSU is then the text to the right of the ::= marker. Once CH_DSU has been “performed” the right-hand side of the ::= is appended to the end of $\xi_{Es} : \Xi_{Es}$.

3.5.2 BEH_DSU: Behaviours

See Example A.15 on page 39.

The behaviour dsu is “the real thing”: Now all lines of analysis, i.e., of external and internal qualities of endurants “meet”. The domain analyser cum describer can be give some guidelines, but for the details of the actions referred to below, the domain analyser cum describer must work hard !

42. The behaviour dsu is “extensive”. It contains:

- (a) a **Behaviours** display line;
- (b) a **value** literal;
- (c) and one, usually [many] more, behaviour signatures
- (d) and behaviour [body] definitions.

Below we hint at the above. The detailing of the individual $\mathcal{B}_i$ is suggested further below, and their invocation of usually non-deterministic choice `pro_-` and `re_active` behaviours and the structure of their [body] definitions are also suggested below – and are included in the behaviour dsu:

42a	CH_DSU	::=	Behaviours
42b		×	value
42c		×	$b_1: UI_1 \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow Sta_1 \rightarrow Mon_1 \rightarrow Prgr_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{Unit}$
42d		×	$b_1(ui_1)(mer_1)(sta_1)(mon_1)(prgr_1) \equiv \mathcal{B}_1(ui_1)(mer_1)(sta_1)(mon_1)(prgr_1)$ is
42d		×	...
42c		×	$b_2: UI_2 \rightarrow M_2 \rightarrow Sta_2 \rightarrow Mon_2 \rightarrow Prgr_2 \rightarrow \mathbf{Unit}$
42d		×	$b_2(ui_2)(mer_2)(sta_2)(mon_2)(prgr_2) \equiv \mathcal{B}_2(ui_2)(mer_2)(sta_2)(mon_2)(prgr_2)$ is
42d		×	...
42a		×	...
42c		×	$b_n: UI_n \rightarrow M_n \rightarrow Sta_n \rightarrow Mon_n \rightarrow Prgr_n \rightarrow \mathbf{Unit}$
42d		×	$b_n(ui_n)(mer_n)(sta_n)(mon_n)(prgr_n) \equiv \mathcal{B}_n(ui_n)(mer_n)(sta_n)(mon_n)(prgr_n)$ is
42d		×	...

We refer to Appendix Sect. B on page 42. Behaviours $\mathcal{B}_i$ are of a variety of forms – shown next (as $\mathcal{B}$). Typically behaviour $\mathcal{B}$ non-deterministically internal choice chooses between `pro_active` and `re_active` behaviours:¹⁹

value

$\iota 129a \pi 42.$ $\mathcal{B}(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg) \equiv$
 $\iota 129b \pi 42.$ $\text{pro_active_}\mathcal{B}(bai)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)$
 $\iota 129c \pi 43.$ $\square \setminus \text{re_active_}\mathcal{B}(bai)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)$

The `pro_active` non-deterministically internal choice choose between a number, m , of actions

value

$\iota 130 \pi 43., \iota 129b \pi 42.$ $\text{pro_active_}\mathcal{B}(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg) \equiv$
 $\iota 130a \pi 43.$ $\mathcal{B_action_1}(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)$
 $\iota 130b \pi 43.$ $\square \mathcal{B_action_2}(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)$
 $\iota 130c \pi 43.$ $\square \dots$
 $\iota 130d \pi 43.$ $\square \mathcal{B_action_m}(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)$

43. . The responding behaviour ($\mathcal{B}$) reacts to a number of such initiating actions by

- (a) external non-deterministically ($\square$) offering to accept messages from responding behaviours,

¹⁹Reference $\iota 129a \pi 42$ designate Item 129a on page 42; et cetera.

(b) and then performing corresponding actions.

value

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ι43a π22.,ι43 π22. respond_B(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg) ≡
ι43a π22.      let msg = [] { comm[{bj,bi}] ? | bj:BI • bj ∈ bis } in
ι43b π23.      react_behaviour_B(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)(msg) end

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value

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ι131 π43. react_behaviour__B(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)(msg) ≡
ι133a π44.   is_action_i(msg) → B_action_i(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)(msg),
ι133b π44.   is_action_j(msg) → B_action_j(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)(msg),
ι133c π44.   ...,
ι133d π44.   is_action_k(msg) → B_action_k(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)(msg),
ι133e π44.   _ → B(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)

```

Once BEH_DSU has been “performed” the right-hand side of the ::= is appended to the end of $\xi_{Es} : \Xi_{Es}$.

3.5.3 INIT_DSU: Initialisation

See Example A.16 on page 41.

44. The domain initialisation dsu is “repetitively” straightforward. It contains:

- (a) a **Domain Initialisation** display line;
- (b) a domain_initialisation signature;
- (c) a domain_initialisation() invocation followed by ≡;
- (d) then, in distributed parallel, the invocation of behaviour B_i , bi,
- (e) for all values, bi, in $\sigma_{behav_{parts}}$ which are not part sets, their initialisation:
- (f) their unique identifier,
- (g) their mereology,
- (h) their static attributes,
- (i) their monitorable attributes – by attribute names, and
- (j) their programmable attributes;
- (k) and, in parallel,
- (l) the similarly distributed parallel composition of behaviours, B_p ,
- (m) of those values, p, for which there are values, ej, in $\sigma_{behav_{parts}}$ where ej are part set parts, and where p is in ej,
- (n) their unique identifier,
- (o) their mereology,
- (p) their static attributes,
- (q) their monitorable attributes – by attribute names, and

(r) their programmable attributes.

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44a.  INIT_DSU  ::=  Domain Initialisation
44b.                      domain_initialisation: Unit → Unit
44c.                      domain_initialisation() ≡
44d.                      || {  $\mathcal{B}_i$ 
44f.                      (uid_Ei(bi))
44g.                      (mereo_Ei(bi))
44h.                      (attr_StaA_p1(bi),...,attr_StaA_px(bi))
44i.                      ( $\eta$ MonA_q1,..., $\eta$ MonA_qy)
44j.                      (attr_PrgA_r1(bi),...,attr_PrgA_rz(bi))
44e.                      | bi:Ei • bi ∈  $\sigma_{behav_{parts}}$  ∧ ¬is_Part_set(bi) }
44k.                      ||
44l.                      || { || {  $\mathcal{B}_p$ 
44n.                      (uid_P(p))
44o.                      (mereo_P(p))
44p.                      (attr_StaA_p1(p),...,attr_StaA_px(p))
44q.                      ( $\eta$ MonA_q1,..., $\eta$ MonA_qy)
44r.                      (attr_PrgA_r1(p),...,attr_PrgA_rz(p))
44m.                      | p:P • p ∈ obs_PS(ej) }
44e.                      | ej:Ei • ej ∈  $\sigma_{behav_{parts}}$  ∧ is_Part_set(ej) }

```

Here $\sigma_{behav_{parts}}$ is defined in Item 34f page 17. Once INIT_DSU has been “performed” the right-hand side of the ::= is appended to the end of $\xi_{Es} : \Xi_{Es}$ – and the domain has been described ! Finito !

4 What is Next ? – Tool Support !

Sections 2–3, pages 4–24, presented, perhaps in a “chatty manner”, syntaxes for DAL and DDL.²⁰ With [Bjø26f, *Methodology*] we present a number of **DOMAIN** *method principles, procedures, techniques* and *tools*.

Together these documents illuminate the question: *tool support* for **DOMAIN** development ? !

Not only does that mean that a rigorous specification of the DAL and DDL syntaxes is required and that a tool support system implement that, but also that it provides interactive support for the domain analyser cum describers.

I hope in a next document to present a proposal in the form of a rigorous specification of such a **DOMAIN** Method **Tool Support**.

5 Conclusion

So, who is/are game ! I have not, since 20 years ago, had MSc students whose MSc thesis work could tackle various aspects of such a tool support.

²⁰[Bjø26e] presented those syntaxes in another manner.

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Today's computer scientists appear, to me, to really not be [scholarly] interested in the work of their colleagues if it “falls” outside their own, usually highly specialised [theoretical] area. So, in the winter/spring of 2026, when the topic of this document is being researched: thought about, reflected upon and written down, I have to come to terms with the apparent fact that nobody, really, cares about my work on **DOMAINs**.

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A Example

In this example we omit many of the keywords, etc., otherwise mentioned in Sects. 3.3–3.5.2, etc.

A.1 Universe of Discourse

45. The universe of discourse is that of
 46. road traffic, RT –
 47. whose narrative is then presented.
45. **universe of discourse:**
46. **type** RT
47. **narrative:** The road traffic domain consists of a road net aggregate and an automobile aggregate.
- Road net aggregates consists of aggregates of hubs (street [link] intersections) and links.
- The aggregates of hubs and links consists of sets of hubs and sets of links.
- Hubs and links are here considered atomic.
- Automobile aggregates are "a set of automobiles — that are here considered atomic.
- Hubs, links and automobiles have unique identification, mereologies and attributes.
- Automobile ride along hubs and links; leave hubs [links] to enter links [hubs], etc.

A.2 Compound Endurants

48. In the road traffic domain we can observe a road net aggregate and an automobile aggregate.
49. In a road net aggregate we can observe an aggregate of hubs and an aggregate of links.
50. In an aggregate of automobiles we can observe a set of [atomic] automobiles.
51. Aggregates of hubs and links are sets of [atomic] hubs and links.

type

48. RNA, AA
49. AH, AL
50. AS = A-set
51. HS = H-set, LS = L-set

value

- 48. **obs_RNA**: $RT \rightarrow RNA$, **obs_AA**: $RT \rightarrow AA$
- 49. **obs_AH**: $RNA \rightarrow AH$, **obs_AL**: $RNA \rightarrow AL$
- 50. **obs_AS**: $AA \rightarrow AS$
- 51. **obs_HS**: $AH \rightarrow RS$, **obs_LS**: $AL \rightarrow LS$

A.3 Endurant Values

- 52. There is the road transport [universe of discourse].
- 53. There is the road net aggregate.
- 54. There is the automobile aggregate.
- 55. There is the hub aggregate.
- 56. There is the link aggregate.
- 57. There is the set of automobiles.
- 58. There is the set of hubs.
- 59. There is the set of links.
- 60. And there is the entire set of all of these.
- 61. And there is the entire set of just all automobiles, hubs and links.

value

- 52. $rt:RT$
- 53. $rna:RNA = \mathbf{obs_RNA}(rt)$
- 54. $aa:AA = \mathbf{obs_AA}(rt)$
- 55. $ah:AH = \mathbf{obs_AA}(rna)$
- 56. $al:AL = \mathbf{obs_AL}(rna)$
- 57. $as:AS = \mathbf{obs_AS}(ah)$
- 58. $hs:HS = \mathbf{obs_HS}(ah)$
- 59. $ls:LS = \mathbf{obs_LS}(al)$
- 60. $\sigma_{parts} = \{rt, rna, aa, ah, al\} \cup aa \cup as \cup hs \cup ls$
- 61. $\sigma_{atoms} = aa \cup hs \cup ls$

A.4 Taxonomy

A.5 Unique Identification

The unique identifiers of a road transport, $rt:RT$, is here limited to just hubs, links and automobiles:

- 62. The universe of discourse has a unique identifier.
- 63. The road net aggregate has a unique identifier.
- 64. The automobile aggregate has a unique identifier.

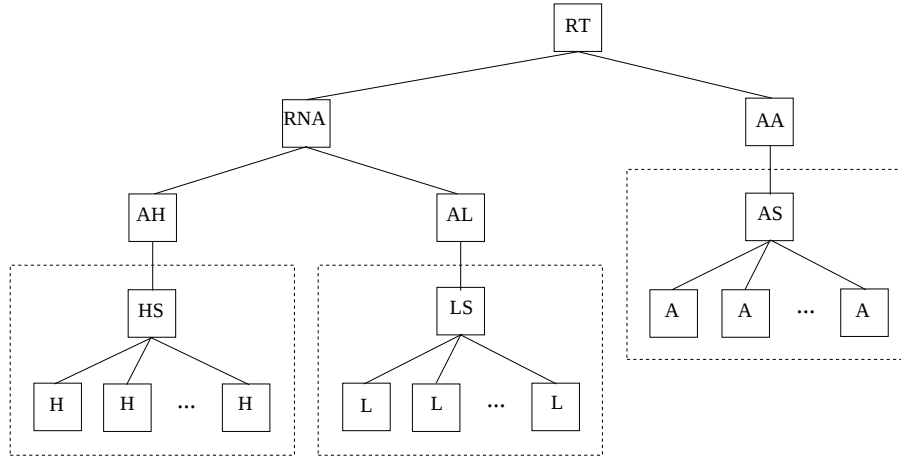


Figure 3: A Road Transport Taxonomy

- 65. The hub aggregate has a unique identifier.
- 66. The link aggregate has a unique identifier.
- 67. Each hub has a unique identifier.
- 68. Each link has a unique identifier.
- 69. Each automobile has a unique identifier.

type

- 62. RTI
- 63. RNAI
- 64. AAI
- 65. HAI
- 66. LAI
- 67. HI
- 68. LI
- 69. AI

value

- 62. **uid_RT**: RT → RTI
- 63. **uid_RNA**: RNA → RNAI
- 64. **uid_AA**: AA → AAI
- 65. **uid_HA**: HA → HAI
- 66. **uid_LA**: LA → LAI
- 67. **uid_H**: H → HI
- 68. **uid_L**: L → LI
- 69. **uid_A**: A → AI .

A.6 Unique Identifier Values

- 70. There is the unique identifier of the road transport.
- 71. There is the unique identifier of the road net aggregate.
- 72. There is the unique identifier of the automobile aggregate.
- 73. There is the unique identifier of the hub aggregate.
- 74. There is the unique identifier of the link aggregate.
- 75. There are the unique identifiers of the automobiles of the set of automobiles.

- 76. There are the unique identifiers of the hubs of the set of hubs.
- 77. There are the unique identifiers of the links of the set of links.
- 78. And there is the entire set of all of these.
- 79. And there is the entire set of all identifiers of the automobiles, hubs and links.

value

- 70. $rt_{uid}RT: RT = \mathbf{uid_RT}(rt)$
- 71. $rna_{uid}RNA: RNA = \mathbf{uid_RNA}(rt)$
- 72. $aa_{uid}AA: AA = \mathbf{uid_AA}(rt)$
- 73. $ah_{uid}AH: AH = \mathbf{uid_AA}(rna)$
- 74. $al_{uid}AL: AL = \mathbf{uid_AL}(rna)$
- 75. $as_{uid}AS: AS = \{\mathbf{uid_A}(a) | a:A \bullet a \in as\}$
- 76. $hs_{uid}HS = \{\mathbf{uid_H}(h) | h:H \bullet h \in hs\}$
- 77. $ls_{uid}LS = \{\mathbf{uid_L}(l) | l:L \bullet l \in ls\}$
- 78. $\sigma_{parts_{uid}} = \{rt, rna, aa, ah, al\} \cup aa \cup hs \cup ls$
- 79. $\sigma_{atoms_{uids}} = aa \cup hs \cup ls$

A.7 Uniqueness of Endurants

- 80. Parts are uniquely identified.

axiom

- 80. $\mathbf{card} \sigma_{atoms} = \mathbf{card} \sigma_{atoms_{uids}}$

A.8 Mereology

We shall be concerned only with the mereology of some manifest parts.

- 81. The mereology of links is a 2 element set of hub identifiers.
- 82. The mereology of a hub is a possibly empty set of hub identifiers.
- 83. The mereology of an automobile is a set of hub and link identifiers

type

- 81. $ML = LI\text{-set} \text{ axiom } \forall ml:MK \bullet \mathbf{card} ml = 2 \wedge ml \subseteq ls_{uis}$
- 82. $MH = HI\text{-set} \text{ axiom } \forall mh:MH \bullet mh \subseteq hs_{uis}$
- 83. $MA = (HI|LI)\text{-set} \text{ axiom } \forall ma:MA \bullet ma \subseteq as_{uis}$

value

- 81. $\mathbf{mereo_L}: L \rightarrow ML$
- 82. $\mathbf{mereo_H}: H \rightarrow MH$
- 83. $\mathbf{mereo_A}: A \rightarrow MA$.

A.9 Attributes

Example attributes are:

- **Hubs:**

84. Hubs have states, $h\sigma:H\Sigma$: the set of pairs of link identifiers, (fli, tli) , of the links *from* and *to* which automobiles may enter, respectively leave the hub.
85. Hubs have state spaces, $h\omega:H\Omega$: the set of hub states “signaling” which states are open/closed, i.e., **green/red**.

- **Links:**

86. Links that have lengths, LEN ;
87. Links have states, $l\sigma:L\Sigma$: the set of pairs of link identifiers, (fli, tli) , of the links *from* and *to* which automobiles may enter, respectively leave the hub.
88. Links have state spaces, $l\omega:L\Omega$: the set of link states “signaling” which states are open/closed, i.e., **green/red**.

- **Automobiles:**

89. Automobiles have road net positions, $APos$,
 - (a) either *at a hub*, atH ,
 - (b) or *on a link*, onL , some fraction, f :**Real**, down a link, identified by li , from a hub, identified by fhi , towards a hub, identified by thi .
90. Automobiles have velocity;
91. Automobiles have acceleration;
92. Etc.²²

- **Hubs, Links, Automobiles:**

93. Hubs, links and automobiles have *histories*: time-stamped, chronologically ordered sequences of automobiles entering and leaving links and hubs, with automobile histories similarly recording hubs and links entered and left.
94. Link positions have well-defined identifiers and fractions.

type	value
84. $H\Sigma = (LI \times LI)\text{-set}$ [prg]	84. $\text{attr_H}\Sigma: H \rightarrow H\Sigma$
85. $H\Omega = H\Sigma\text{-set}$ [sta]	85. $\text{attr_H}\Omega: H \rightarrow H\Omega$
86. $LEN = \text{Nat}$ [sta] [m]	86. $\text{attr_LEN}: L \rightarrow LEN$
87. $L\Sigma = (HI \times HI)\text{-set}$ [prg]	87. $\text{attr_L}\Sigma: L \rightarrow L\Sigma$
88. $L\Omega = L\Sigma\text{-set}$ [sta]	88. $\text{attr_L}\Omega: L \rightarrow L\Omega$
89. $A\text{Pos} = \text{atH} \mid \text{onL}$ [prg]	89. $\text{attr_APos}: A \rightarrow A\text{Pos}$
89a. $\text{atH} :: HI$	90. $\text{attr_Veloc}: A \rightarrow \text{Veloc}$
89b. $\text{onL} :: LI \times (\text{fhi}:HI \times \text{f:Real} \times \text{thi}:HI)$	91. $\text{attr_Accel}: A \rightarrow \text{Accel}$
90. $\text{Veloc} = \text{Real}$ [mon] [km/h]	93. $\text{attr_HHis}: H \rightarrow HHis$
91. $\text{Accel} = \text{Real}$ [mon] [m/sec]	93. $\text{attr_LHis}: L \rightarrow LHis$
92. ...	93. $\text{attr_AHis}: A \rightarrow AHis$
93. $HHis, LHis = (\text{TIME} \times AI)^*$ [prg]	
93. $AHis = (\text{TIME} \times (HI \mid LI))^*$ [prg]	

axiom

94. $\forall \text{mk_onL}(\text{li}, (\text{fhi}, \text{f}, \text{thi})): \text{onL} \bullet 0 < \text{f} < 1 \wedge \text{li} \in \text{ls}_{uids} \wedge \{\text{fhi}, \text{thi}\} \subseteq \text{hs}_{uids} \wedge \dots$

A.10 Intentional Pull

95. An *intentional pull* of any road transport system, rts , is then:

- (a) if for any automobile, a , of rts , on a link, ℓ (hub, h), at time τ ,
- (b) then that link, ℓ , (hub h) “records” automobile a at that time.

96. and:

- (c) if for any link, ℓ (hub, h) being visited by an automobile, a , at time τ ,
- (d) then that automobile, a , is visiting that link, ℓ (hub, h), at that time.

axiom

95a. $\forall a:A \bullet a \in as \Rightarrow$
 95a. **let** $\text{ahist} = \text{attr_AHist}(a)$ **in**
 95a. $\forall \text{ui}:(LI \mid HI) \bullet \text{ui} \in \text{dom } \text{ahist} \Rightarrow$
 95b. $\forall \tau:\text{TIME} \bullet \tau \in \text{elems } \text{ahist}(\text{ui}) \Rightarrow$
 95b. **let** $\text{hist} = \text{is_LI}(\text{ui}) \rightarrow \text{attr_LHist}(\text{retr_L}(\text{ui}))(\sigma),$
 95b. $\quad \quad \quad \rightarrow \text{attr_HHist}(\text{retr_H}(\text{ui}))(\sigma)$ **in**
 95b. $\tau \in \text{elems } \text{hist}(\text{uid_A}(a))$ **end end**
 96. $\wedge$
 96c. $\forall u:(L \mid H) \bullet u \in \text{ls} \cup \text{hs} \Rightarrow$
 96c. **let** $\text{uhist} = \text{attr}(L \mid H)\text{Hist}(u)$ **in**
 96d. $\forall \text{ai}:AI \bullet \text{ai} \in \text{dom } \text{uhist} \Rightarrow$
 96d. $\forall \tau:\text{TIME} \bullet \tau \in \text{elems } \text{uhist}(\text{ai}) \Rightarrow$
 96d. **let** $\text{ahist} = \text{attr_AHist}(\text{retr_A}(\text{ai}))(\sigma)$ **in**
 96d. $\tau \in \text{elems } \text{uhist}(\text{ai})$ **end end**

A.11 Auxiliary Types

We introduce the concepts or *paths*, i.e., *routes*, through/across a road net.

97. A path element identifier is either a link identifier or a hub identifier.
98. A path (of a road net) is a finite²³ sequence of one or more alternating hub and link identifiers
99. such that
 - (a) neighbouring link identifiers are those of the mereology of the “in-between” hubs, and such that neighbouring hub identifiers are/is those of the mereology of the “in-between” link;
 - (b) and hub identifiers of a path are hub identifiers of the road net,
 - (c) and its neighbouring link identifier(s) are in the mereology of the identified hub;
 - (d) and link identifiers of a path are link identifiers of the road net,
 - (e) and its neighbouring hub identifier(s) are/is in the mereology of the identified link.
100. Given a hub [a link] identifier we can retrieve the identified hub [link].

type

97. $PEI = LI \mid HI$
98. $Path = PEI^*$
99. **axiom** [Well-formed Paths]
98. $\forall path:Path \bullet$
 - 99a. $\forall \{i, i+1\} \subseteq inds\ path \Rightarrow$
 - 99a. $(is_HI(path[i]) \wedge is_LI(path[i+1]) \vee is_LI(path[i]) \wedge is_HI(path[i+1]))$
 - 99b. $\wedge (path[i] \in hs_{uis} \Rightarrow path[i+1] \in ls_{uis})$
 - 99c. $\wedge uid_H(retr_hub(path[i])) \in mereo_L(retr_hub(path[i+1]))$
 - 99d. $\wedge (path[i] \in ls_{uis} \Rightarrow path[i+1] \in hs_{uis})$
 - 99e. $\wedge uid_L(retr_link(path[i])) \in mereo_H(retr_link(path[i+1]))$

value

100. $retr_hub: HI \rightarrow H, retr_link: LI \rightarrow L, retr_unit: UI \rightarrow U$
100. $retr_hub(hi) \text{ as } h \bullet h \in hs \wedge uid_H(h)=hi$
100. $retr_link(li) \text{ as } l \bullet l \in ls \wedge uid_L(l)=li$
100. $retr_unit(ui) \text{ as } u \bullet u \in hs \cup ls \wedge uid_U(u)=ui$
100. $uid_U(u) \equiv is_L(u) \rightarrow uid_L(u), is_H(u) \rightarrow uid_H(u)$

The above **pre/post** condition allows for circular paths, i.e., possibly infinite paths that may contain the same hub or link identifier more than once.

A.12 Simple Function Values

We define a function that given a road net calculates all its non-circular paths.

²³We shall only consider finite paths. The *paths* function, Item 101 below, can easily be modified to yield also infinite length paths!

101. The `paths`²⁴ function takes a road net – represented here by its “global” sets of hubs and links – and yields a possibly infinite set of paths – satisfying the wellformedness criterion of Sect. A.11 on the facing page.

We define the `paths` function in two ways.

102. Either axiomatically
103. in terms of an `as` predicate, with the result being the “largest” such set all of whose paths satisfy the wellformedness criterion;
104. or inductively²⁵:
- (a) **basis clause**: every singleton path of either hub or link identifiers of the road net form a path.
 - (b) **inductive clause**: If p_i and p_j are finite, respectively possibly infinite paths of the “result”, ps , such that
 - i. paths $p_i \hat{\sim} \langle ui \rangle$ and $\langle uj \rangle \hat{\sim} p_j$ are in ps , and
 - ii. the resulting concatenated path is not circular, and
 - iii. the mereology of the last element of p_i identifies the first element of p_j ,
 - iv. then their concatenation is a path in ps .
 - (c) **extremal clause**: No path is an element of the desired set of paths unless it is obtained from the basis and the inductive clause by a finite number of uses.

value

101. `paths`: `Unit` $\rightarrow$ `Path-infset`
102. `paths()` `as` ps
103. **such that**: $\forall p:ps$ satisfy the wellformedness of Sect. A.11 on the preceding page

We can also express the `paths` functions explicitly:

value

101. `paths`: `Unit` $\rightarrow$ `Path-infset`
104. `paths()` $\equiv$
- 104a. **let** $ps = \{ \langle ni \rangle \mid ni:NI \in h_{s_{uis}} \} \cup \{ \langle ei \rangle \mid ei:EI \in l_{s_{uis}} \}$
- 104(b)iv. $\cup \{ p_i \hat{\sim} \langle ui \rangle \hat{\sim} \langle uj \rangle \hat{\sim} p_j \mid p_i \hat{\sim} \langle ui \rangle : \text{Path-set}, \langle uj \rangle \hat{\sim} p_j : \text{Path-infset} \bullet$
- 104b. $\wedge (\{ p_i \hat{\sim} \langle ui \rangle, \langle uj \rangle \hat{\sim} p_j \} \subseteq ps)$
- 104(b)i. $\wedge (ui \sim \in \text{elems } p_j \wedge uj \sim \in \text{elems } p_i)$
- 104(b)iii. $\wedge (ui \in \text{mereo_U}(\text{retr_unit}(uj)))$
- 104(b)ii. $\wedge (uj \in \text{mereo_U}(\text{retr_unit}(ui))) \}$ **in**
- 104c. ps **end**
- type**
101. $U = H|L$

Solution to the equation, lines 104a–104(b)i, is “obtained” by a smallest set fix-point reasoning.

²⁴ **Alarm !** Check that this function indeed generates only finite length paths !

²⁵ https://www.cs.odu.edu/~toida/nerzic/content/recursive_def/more_ex_rec_def.html

105. Given a “global” road net, g , we can calculate a “similarly global” *paths* value:

value

105. $paths: Path\text{-}set = paths(g)$

With the notion of paths of a road net one can now examine whether

- a road net is strongly connected, that is, whether any hub or link can be “reached” from any other hub or link; or
- a road net consists of two or more sub-graphs, i.e., there are no links between hubs in two such sub-graphs;
- etc.

106. We can formulate a *theorem*: for every road net we have that every path, p , in g , also contains its reverse path, $rev(p)$ in g .

theorem: [All finite paths have finite reverse paths]

106. $\forall g:G, p:Path \bullet p \in paths(g) \Rightarrow rev_path(p) \in paths(g)$

value

106. $rev_path: P \rightarrow P$

106. $rev_path(p) \equiv$

106. **case** p **of**

106. $\langle \rangle \rightarrow \langle \rangle,$

106. $\langle ui \rangle \rightarrow \langle ui \rangle,$

106. $\langle ui \rangle \wedge p' \wedge \langle uj \rangle \rightarrow \langle uj \rangle \wedge rev_path(p') \wedge \langle ui \rangle$

106. **end**

We can define further functions. For example:

107. $path_length,$

108. $shortest_path,$ etc.

value

107. $path_length: P \rightarrow LEN$

107. $path_length(p) \equiv$

107. **case** p **of**

107. $\langle \rangle \rightarrow 0$

107. $\langle ui \rangle \rightarrow retr_path_length(ui),$

107. $\langle ui \rangle \wedge p' \rightarrow retr_length(ui) + path_length(p')$

107. **end**

107. $retr_path_length: UI \rightarrow LEN$

107. $retr_path_length(ui) \equiv (is_EI(ui) \rightarrow attr_LEN(retr_link(ui)), is_NI(ui) \rightarrow 0)$

108. $shortest_path: G \rightarrow P\text{-}set$

108. $shortest_path(g) \equiv$

108. **let** $ps = paths(g)$ **in**

108. $\{ p \mid p:P \bullet retr_len(p) \wedge \forall p':P \bullet p' \in ps \wedge retr_path_len(p) \leq retr_path_len(p') \}$

108. **end**

A.13 Channel

- 109. There is a set of channels between hubs, links and automobiles.
- 110. These channels communicate messages, M. M will “transpire” from the behaviour definitions.

channel

109. $\{ \text{ch}[\{ui,uj\}] \mid \{ui,ij\}:(HI|LI|AI)\text{-set} \bullet ui \neq uj \wedge \{ui,uj\} \subseteq \sigma_{uids} \} M$

type

109. M .

A.14 Variables**A.15 Behaviours**

There are three behaviours:

- 111. **automobile**, corresponding to endurants $a:A$, and with appropriate argument types,
- 112. **hub**, corresponding to endurants $h:H$, and with appropriate argument types, and
- 113. **link**, corresponding to endurants $l:L$, and with appropriate argument types.

value

- 111. **automobile**: $AI \rightarrow AM \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow (Apos \times AHist) \rightarrow \mathbf{Unit}$
- 112. **hub**: $HI \rightarrow HM \rightarrow (H\Omega \times \dots) \rightarrow (H\Sigma \times HHist) \rightarrow \mathbf{Unit}$
- 113. **link**: $LI \rightarrow LM \rightarrow (LEN \times L\Omega \times \dots) \rightarrow (L\Sigma \times LHist) \rightarrow \mathbf{Unit}$

- 114. The **automobile** behaviour is either *at a hub* or *on a link* – and **communicates** with the *hub* and *link* behaviours as to its entering, leaving, or remaining at the hub, respectively on the link.
- 115. Any **hub** behaviour is “passively” awaiting **communication** from automobile behaviours as to their entering, leaving, or remaining at the hub.
- 116. Any **link** behaviour is “passively” awaiting **communication** from automobile behaviours as to their entering, leaving, or remaining on the link.

- 114. **automobile**(ai)(ris)(...)(atH(hi),ahis)
- 114. **automobile**(ai)(ris)(...)(onL(li,(fhi,f,thi)),ahis)
- 115. **hub**(hi)(mh)(h ω ,...)(h σ ,hhist)
- 116. **link**(li)(ml)(len,l ω ,...)(l σ ,lhist)

- 117. We abstract automobile behaviour at a Hub (hi).

- (a) Either the automobile **remains** at the hub,
- (b) or, **internally non-deterministically**,
- (c) **leaves** the hub entering a link,

- (d) or, **internally non-deterministically**,
- (e) **stops**.

```

117 automobile(ai)(ris)(...)(atH(hi),ahis) ≡
117a   automobile_remain_at_hub(ai)(ris)(...)(atH(hi),ahis)
117b   []
117c   automobile_leaving_hub(ai)(ris)(...)(atH(hi),ahis)
117d   []
117e   automobile_stop(ai)(ris)(...)(atH(hi),ahis)

```

where we leave it to the reader to fill in the signature of these three behaviours.

118. [117a] The automobile **remains** at a hub:

- (a) time is recorded,
- (b) informing the hub behaviour, whereupon
- (c) the automobile remains at that hub, “idling”,

```

118 automobile_remain_at_hub(ai)(ris)(...)(atH(hi),ahis) ≡
118a   let  $\tau = \text{record\_TIME}()$  in
118b   ch[ {ai,hi} ] !  $\tau$  ;
118c   automobile(ai)(ris)(...)(atH(hi), $\langle(\tau,hi)\rangle^{\wedge}ahis$ ) end

```

119. [117c] The automobile **leaves** the hub entering link li:

- (a) time is recorded;
- (b) hub is informed of automobile leaving and link that it is entering;
- (c) “whereupon” the vehicle resumes (i.e., “while at the same time” resuming) the vehicle behaviour positioned at the very beginning (0) of that link.

```

119 automobile_leaving_b(ai)({li} ∪ ris)(...)(atH(hi),ahis) ≡
119a   let  $\tau = \text{record\_TIME}()$  in
119b   (ch[ {ai,hi} ] !  $\tau$  || ch[ {ai,li} ] !  $\tau$ ) ;
119c   automobile(ai)(ris)(...)(onL(li,(hi,0,_)), $\langle(\tau,li)\rangle^{\wedge}ahis$ ) end
119   pre: [hub is not isolated]

```

120. [117e] Or the automobile **stops**, “disappears — off the radar” !

```

120 automobile_stop(ai)(ris)(...)(atH(hi),ahis) ≡ stop .

```

121. We abstract automobile behaviour on a Link li:

- (a) Either (*internally non-deterministically*) the automobile **remains** on the link, advancing a fraction or halts [temporarily],

- (b) or, *internally non-deterministically*,
- (c) **leaves** the link [when reaching its end] and enters the connected hub,
- (d) or, *internally non-deterministically*,
- (e) **stops** [leaves the road net altogether (!)].

```

121 automobile(ai)(ris)(...)(onL(li(fhi,f,thi)),lhis) ≡
121a   automobile_remains_on_link(ai)(ris)(...)(onL(li(fhi,f,thi)),lhis)
121b   []
121c   automobile_leaving_link(ai)(ris)(...)(onL(li(fhi,f,thi)),lhis)
121d   []
121e   automobile_stops_on_link(ai)(ris)(...)(onL(li(fhi,f,thi)),lhis)

```

We leave it to the reader to complete the definitions of `automobile_remains_on_link`, `automobile_leaving_link` and `automobile_stops_on_link`.

122. Hubs

123. external non-deterministically receives time-stamped, t , messages, ai , from automobiles as to their entering, remaining or leaving the hub.

124. They update their hub history accordingly and resume being a hub.

value

```

122. hub(hi)(hm)(hω,...)(hσ,hhist) ≡
123.   let (t,ai) = [] { ch[ {hi,ai} ] ? | ai ∈ hm } in
124.   hub(hi)(hm)(hω,...)(hσ,⟨(t,ai)⟩^hhist) end

```

125. Links

126. external non-deterministically receives time-stamped, t , messages, ai , from automobiles as to their entering, remaining or leaving the link.

127. They update their link history accordingly and resume being a link.

value

```

125. link(li)(lm)(len,lω,...)(lσ,lhist) ≡
126.   let (t,ai) = [] { ch[ {li,ai} ] ? | ai ∈ lm } in
127.   link(li)(lm)(len,lω,...)(lσ,⟨(t,ai)⟩^lhlist) end

```

A.16 Initialization

128. Let us refer to the system initialization as parallel composition of behaviours:

- (a) All hubs are initialized,
- (b) and
- (c) all links are initialized,

- (d) and
- (e) all automobiles are initialized.

value

```

128. initialisation: Unit → Unit
128. initialisation() ≡
128a. || { hub(uid_H(h))
128a.      (mereo_H(h))
128a.      (attr_HΩ(h),...)
128a.      (attr_HΣ(h),attr_HΣ(h),attr_HHist(h))
128a.    | h:H • h ∈ hs }
128b. ||
128c. || { link(uid_L(l))
128c.      (mereo_L(l))
128c.      (attr_LEN(l),...)
128c.      (attr_LΣ(l),attr_LHist(l))
128c.    | l:L • l ∈ ls }
128d. ||
128e. || { automobile(uid_A(a))
128e.      (mereo_A(a))
128e.      (attr_APos(a),attr_AHist(a))
128e.    | a:A • a ∈ as }
```

B Behaviour Patterns

B.1 Behaviour Definitions

A typical, informal rendition of abstracted behaviours, BA, BC, BD, ... is shown in Fig. B.1 on the facing page.

Figure B.1 on the next page should be understood as follows:²⁶ The **bold faced** labels **A**, **B**, **C**, ... are meant to designate behaviours. The **black arrows**, from behaviour **X** to behaviour **Y** are meant to designate CSP-like *communications* from **X** to **Y**. The **open arrows** (“white”), from behaviour **X** to behaviour **Y** are meant to designate possible CSP-like *communications* from **X** to **Y**. These latter communications, the “possible” ones, are then thought of as *in response* to the “earlier”, in the figure: “immediately prior, next to” communication from **X** to **Y**.

Figure B.1 on the facing page is now given a more precise “meaning” – with this “meaning” suggesting a general “pattern” for behaviour definitions:

129. There are behaviours B, ... with identities bi,

- (a) These behaviours, typically, have the form of internal, $\square$, non-deterministically “choosing” between
- (b) *pro-actively* initiating communications with other behaviors

²⁶The explanation of Fig. B.1 is in now way an attempt to explain the semantics of behaviours. That is left to the RSL⁺ formalization’s.

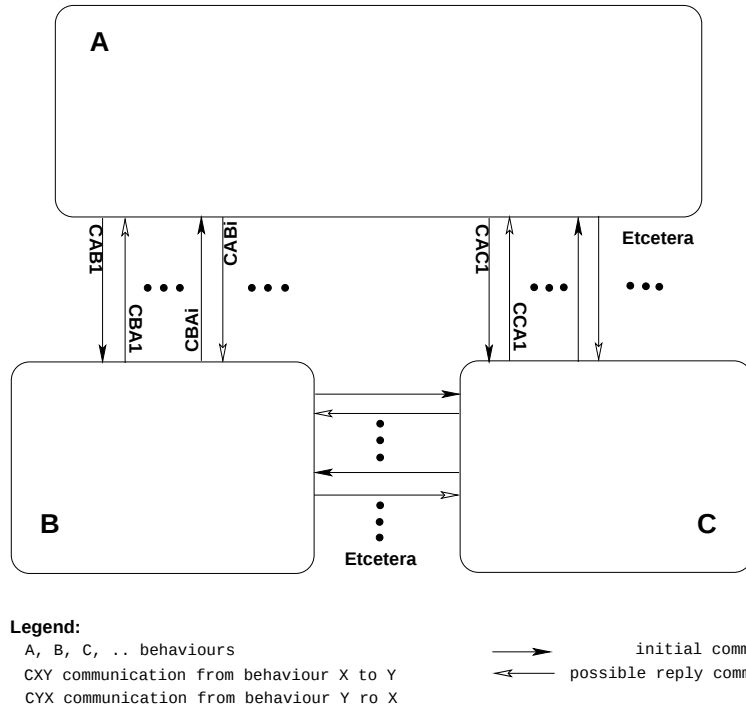


Figure 4: Communicating Behaviours

(c) and *re-actively* responding to such initiatives.

value

- 129a. $B(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg) \equiv$
129b. $\text{pro_active_}B(bai)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)$
129c. $\sqcap \text{re_active_}B(bai)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)$

130. The pro-active behaviour (B) internal deterministically ($\sqcap$) choosing between a number of initiating actions (B_action_i):

- (a) action 1, (c) ...,
(b) action 2, (d) action n.

131. where B_action_i is typically of the form shown next.

value

130. $\text{pro_active_}B(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg) \equiv$
130a. $B_action_1(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)$
130b. $\sqcap B_action_2(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)$
130c. $\sqcap \dots$
130d. $\sqcap B_action_m(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)$

where:

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131. B_action_i(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)  $\equiv$ 
131.   let prgr' = Action(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg) in
131.   B(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg') end

```

132. The reactive behaviour reacts to a number of such initiating actions by

- (a) external non-deterministically ($\square$) offering to accept messages from responding behaviours,
- (b) and then performing corresponding actions.

value

```

132. re_active_B(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)  $\equiv$ 
132a.   let msg =  $\square$  { comm[{bj,bi}] ? | bj:BI • bj  $\in$  bis } in
132b.   respond_behaviour_B(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)(msg) end

```

133. The responding_behaviour_B inquires as to the type of the message, say, a command, received (**?**): if it is:

- (a) of type action_i then it performs action B_action_i,
- (b) of type action_j then it performs action B_action_j,
- (c) ..., or
- (d) of type action_k then it performs action B_action_k.
- (e) If it is of neither of these types then it “skips” treatment of that response by resuming to be the behaviour B.

value

```

133. react_behaviour_B(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)(msg)  $\equiv$ 
133a.   is_action_i(msg)  $\rightarrow$  B_action_i(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)(msg),
133b.   is_action_j(msg)  $\rightarrow$  B_action_j(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)(msg),
133c.   ...,
133d.   is_action_k(msg)  $\rightarrow$  B_action_k(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)(msg),
133e.   _  $\rightarrow$  B(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg)

```

Et cetera !

B.2 Action Definitions

“Actions are what makes behaviours meaningful.” We remind the reader that our function (incl. behaviour) definitions are expressed in a functional, “applicative”, style. [that is, there are no assignable variables] The actions elaborate to **values**. These values may be Booleans, numbers, sets, Cartesians, lists, maps and functions (over these), or the values by be $()$, of type **Unit**, as are the values (also of never-ending) behaviours.

Action signatures usually “follow that”, i.e., are the same as “their” initiating behaviour signatures.

134. Actions, as semantic quantities,

- (a) evaluate some values,
- (b) typically change some programmable attributes,
- (c) and may communicate, “issue” or inform, to some other behaviours, some requests, respectively information –
- (d) whereupon the “revert”, “tail-recursively” to the activating Behaviour.

```

134. action_i(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg) ≡
134a.  let v = evaluate_i(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg) in
134b.  let (bj,prg') = elaborate_i(v)(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg) in
134c.  comm[{bi,bj}] !  $\mathcal{E}(\text{prg}')$  ;
134d.  behaviour(bi)(mereo)(stat)(mon)(prg')
134.  end end

```

Variants of Item 134c π45 are also used:

$$\{ \text{comm}[\{bi,bj\}] ! \mathcal{E}(\text{prg}') \mid bj \in bis \} ;$$

where bj ranges over bis, a set of behaviour identities.

• • •

I refer to a recent paper [Low25].