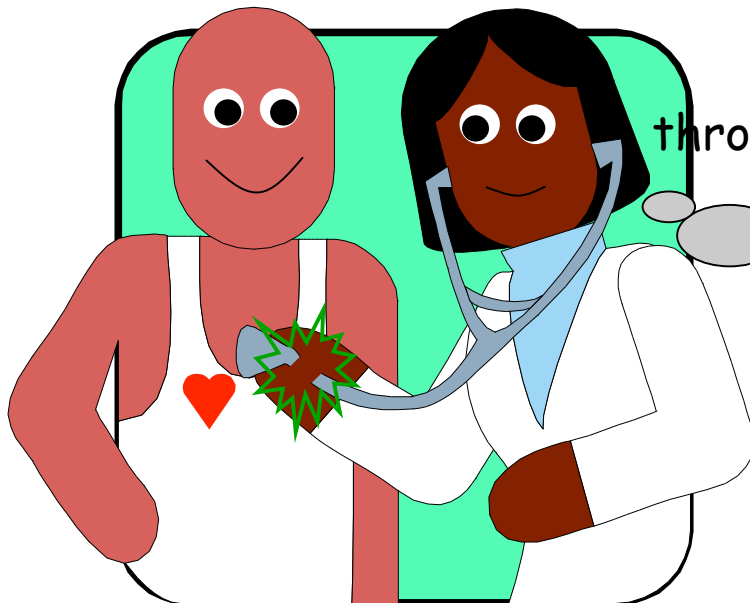


# Verification of Diagnosability using Model Checking (and why NASA cares)

Charles Pecheur, RIACS at NASA Ames

# At the Doctor's



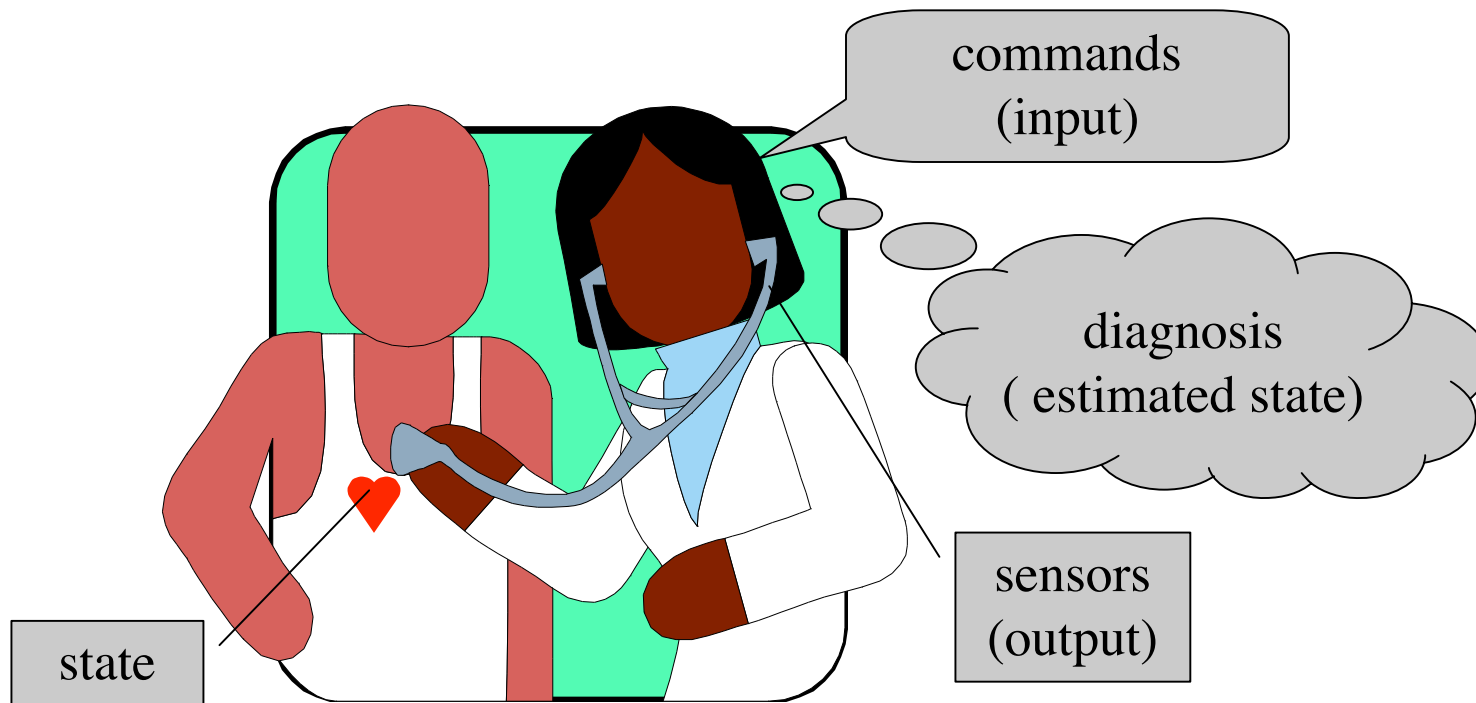
throb throb throb throb throb throb \* .....

**Panic! The heart just stopped!**

The guy seems fine, though...

Stupid me! My stethoscope  
has come loose!

# Diagnosability

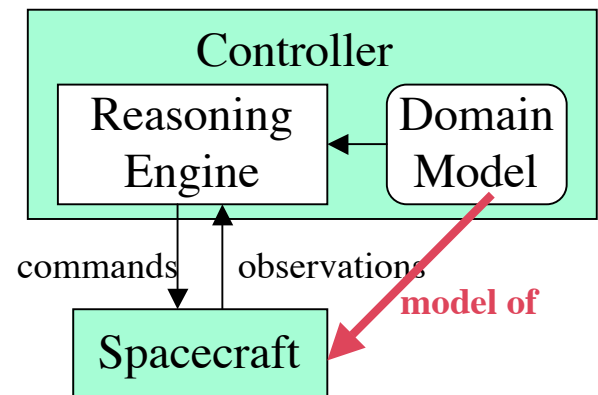
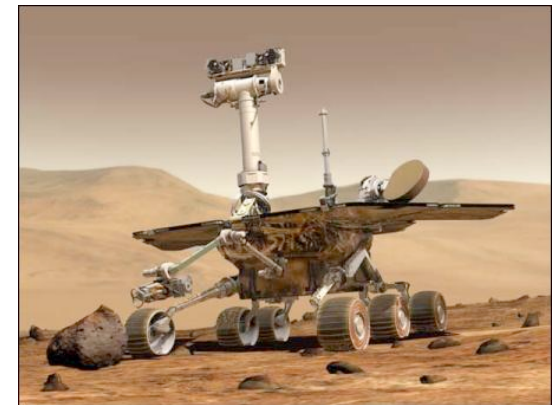


Can a (smart enough) doctor always make a proper diagnosis?  
(... even if she cannot give commands?)

# Autonomy at NASA

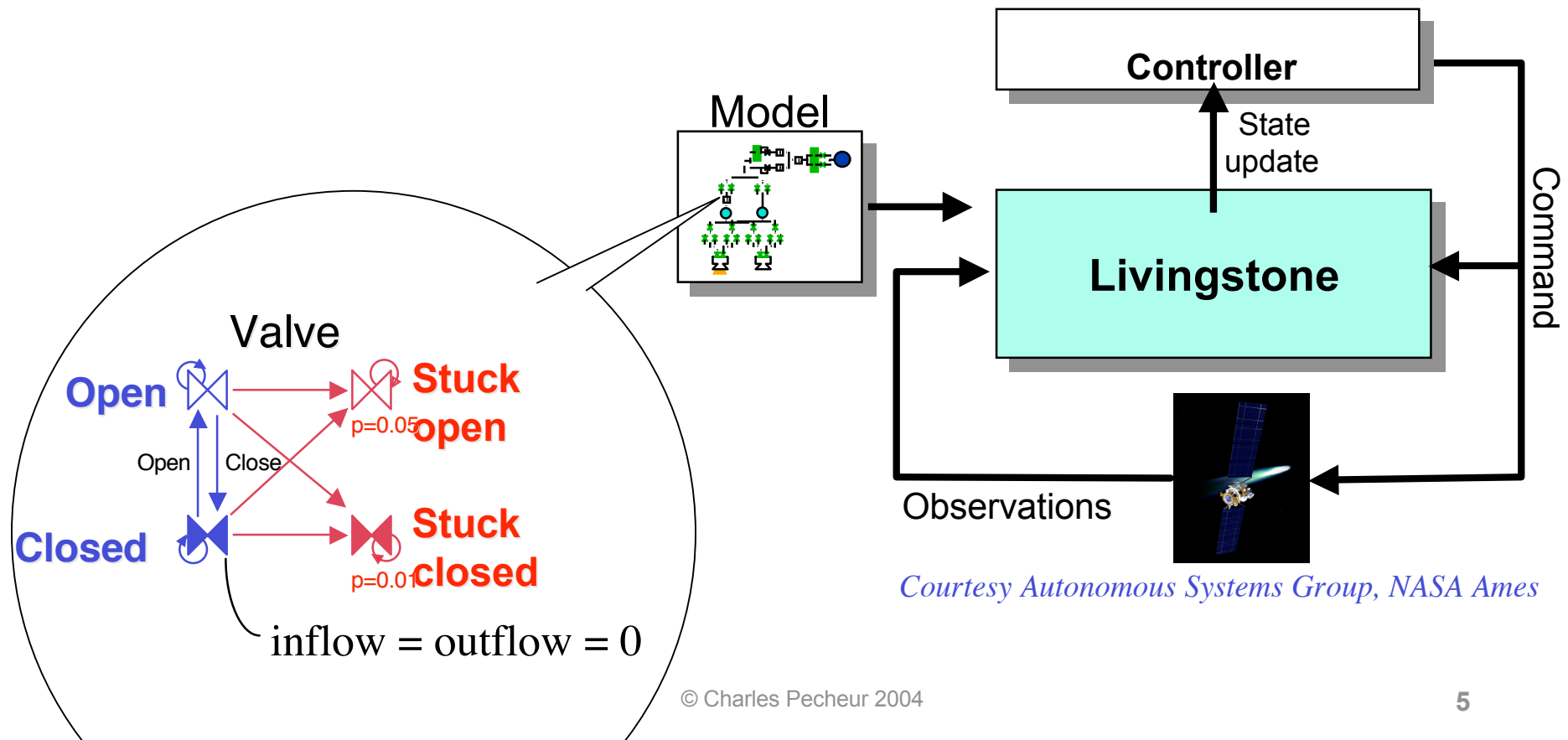
**Autonomous spacecraft = on-board intelligence (AI)**

- **Goal:** Unattended operation in an unpredictable environment
- **Approach:** model-based reasoning
- **Pros:** smaller mission control crews, no communication delays/blackouts
- **Cons:** **Verification and Validation ???**  
Much more complex, huge state space
- **Better verification is critical for adoption**

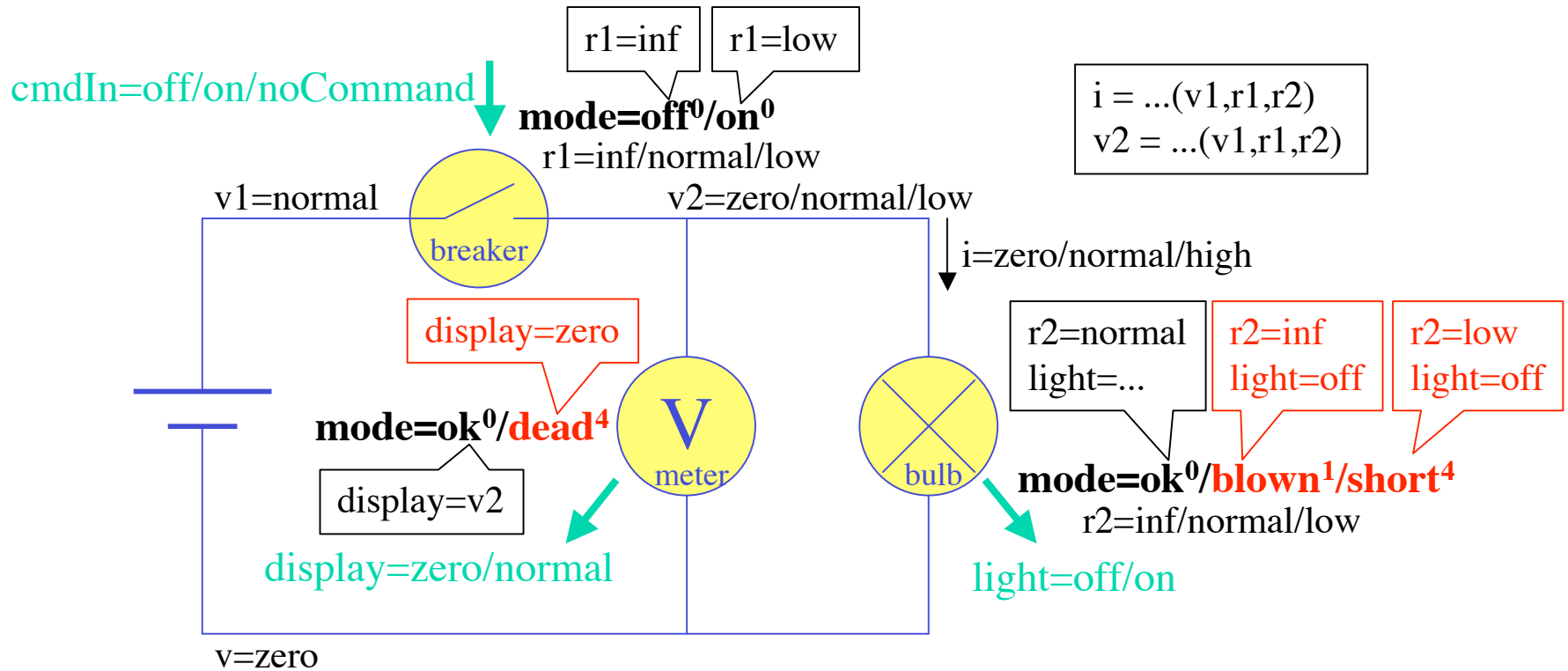


# Model-Based Diagnosis

- Focus on **Livingstone** system from NASA Ames.
- Uses a discrete, qualitative model to reason about faults  
=> naturally amenable to formal analysis



# A Simple Diagnosis Model

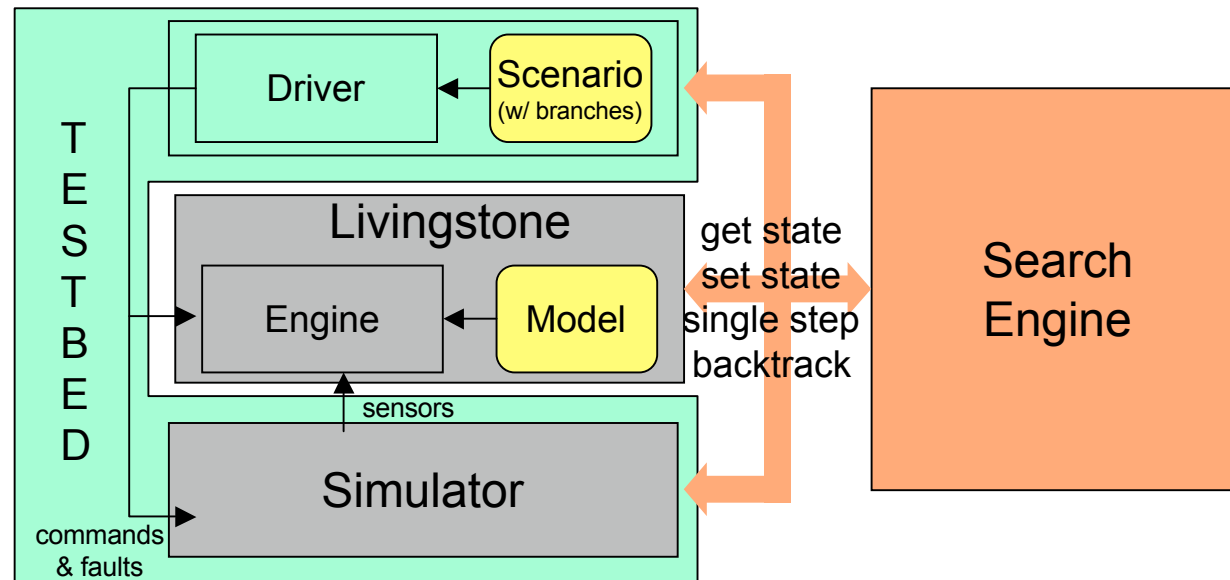


Goal: determine **modes** from **observations**  
Generates and tracks *candidates*

breaker	bulb	meter	rank
off <sup>0</sup>	ok <sup>0</sup>	ok <sup>0</sup>	0
off <sup>0</sup>	ok <sup>0</sup>	blown <sup>1</sup>	1
on <sup>0</sup>	dead <sup>4</sup>	short <sup>4</sup>	8

# Livingstone PathFinder

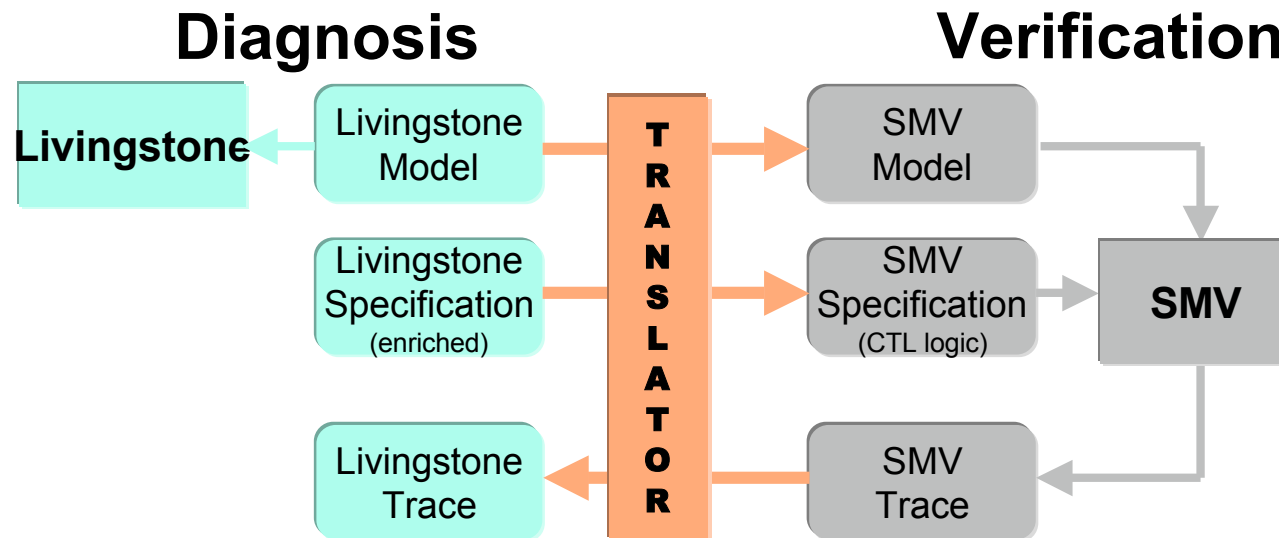
with Tony Lindsey (QSS @ ARC)



- An advanced testing/simulation framework for Livingstone applications
  - Executes the **Real Livingstone Program** in a simulated environment (testbed)
  - **Instrument** the code to be able to **backtrack** between alternate paths
- **Scenarios** = non-deterministic test cases (defined in custom language)
- **Modular** architecture with generic APIs (in Java)
  - allows different diagnosers, simulators (can use Livingstone), search algorithms (depth-first, breadth-first, heuristic, random, ...)
- Graphical interface, trace display, integration in Livingstone development tools
- See TACAS'04 paper

# Livingstone-to-SMV Translator

*Joint work with Reid Simmons (Carnegie Mellon)*



- A translator that converts Livingstone models, specs, traces to/from SMV (in Java)
  - SMV: symbolic model checker (both BDD and SAT-based)  
allows exhaustive analysis of very large state spaces ( $10^{50+}$ )
  - Translator hides away SMV, offers a model checker for Livingstone
- Enriched specification syntax (vs. SMV's core temporal logic)
- Graphical interface, trace display, integration in Livingstone development tools



File Edit View Run Help



# Livingstone Model Verifier GUI

Project: demo

Root Directory: /Users/pecheur/+Demos/JPL-apr04/elec2

Model Files: elec2.smpl Add Remove

Root Class: Elec Root Name: test

Initialization File: compiled/test.ini Browse

Harness File: compiled/test.hrn Browse

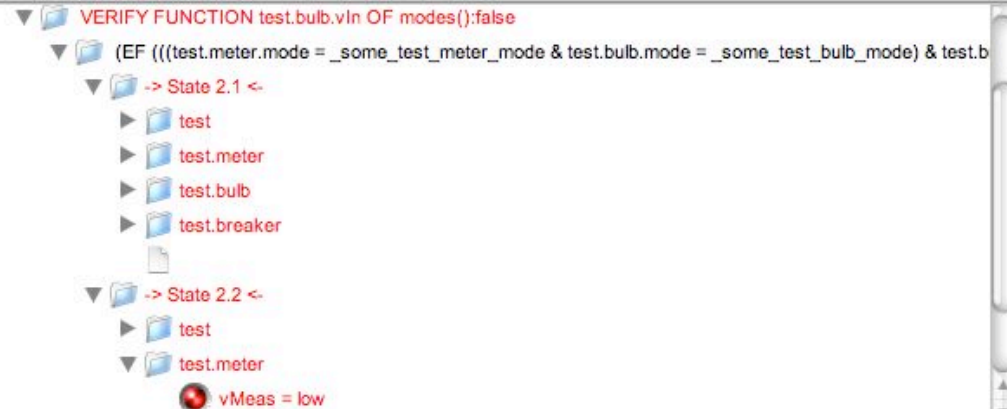
Specification File: demo.spec Browse


 Show Auxiliary Vars

 Show False Only

```

// xmpl_file:/C:/cygwin/home/pecheur/demo-Nov03/elec2/Elec.xmpl
INVAR test.bulb.cmdin=replace -> test.light=off & test.display=:
INVAR !multicommand()
VERIFY reachability test.breaker
VERIFY reachability test.bulb.mode=hazard
VERIFY INVARIANT !test.bulb.mode=hazard
VERIFY progress
VERIFY FUNCTION test.light OF modes()
VERIFY FUNCTION test.bulb.i OF modes()
VERIFY FUNCTION test.bulb.vin OF modes()
  
```



```

Current dir = /Users/pecheur/+Demos/JPL-apr04/elec2
=== smv Starting ===
  
```

```

=== Terminated successfully ===
=== smv Done ===
  
```

```

[<TracerLMV> '-m' 'demo' '-t' '/Users/pecheur/+Demos/JPL-apr04/elec2/' '-h' '/Users/pecheur/+Demos/JPL-apr04/elec2/' '-s'
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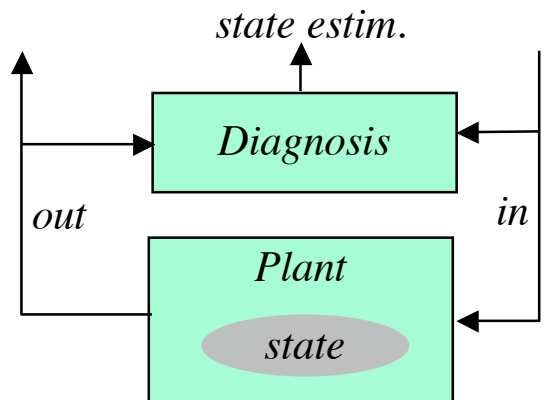
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=== <TracerLMV> Done ===
  
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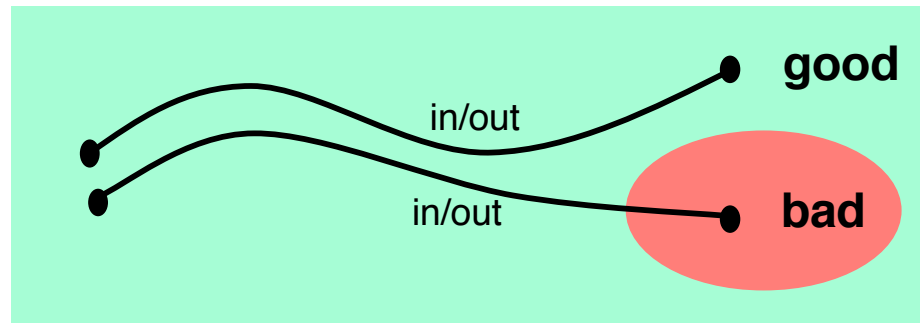
# Verification of Diagnosis Models

- Coding Errors
  - e.g. Consistency, well-defined transitions, ...
  - Generic
  - Compare to Lint for C
- Model Correctness
  - Expected properties of modeled system
  - e.g. flow conservation, operational scenarios, ...
  - Application-specific
- **Diagnosability**
  - Are faults detectable/diagnosable?
    - Given available sensors
    - In all/specific operational situations (dynamic)
  - Innovative use of model checking using twin models

# Diagnosability

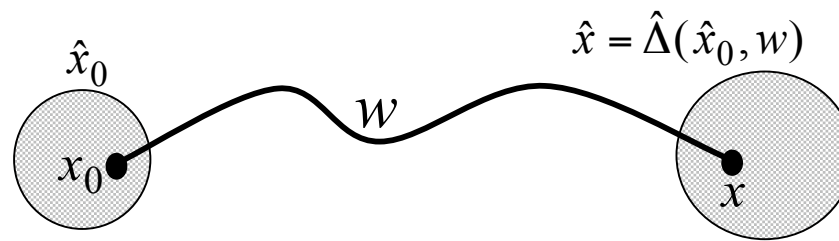


Joint work with Alessandro Cimatti (IRST)



- *Diagnosis* estimates the hidden state of *Plant*, given observable input and output of *Plant*.
- **Diagnosability**: Can (a smart enough) *Diagnosis* always tell when *Plant* comes to a **bad** state?
- **Intuition**: YES, if and only if there is no pair of executions, one reaching a **bad** state, the other reaching a **good** state, with identical observations.
- ... within a given context

# Formalization of Diagnosis



Transition system  $x \xrightarrow{u/y} x'$ , executions  $\sigma : x_0 \xrightarrow{w} x$   
*inputs  $u$ , outputs  $y$  are visible, states  $x, x'$  are hidden*  
*trace  $w = (u_1, y_1, \dots, u_n, y_n)$*

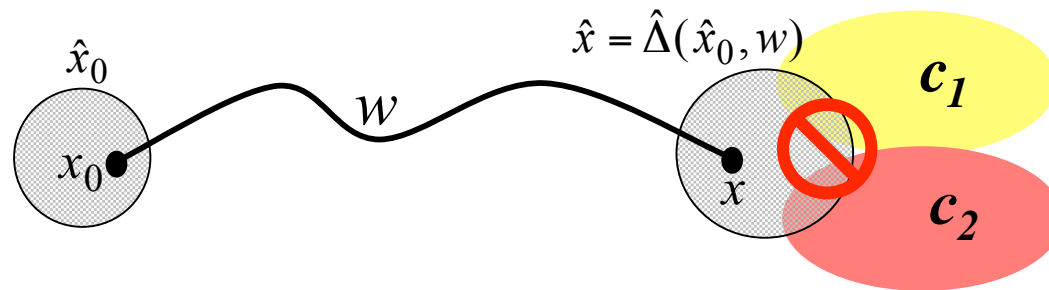
Diagnosis function  $\hat{x} = \hat{\Delta}(\hat{x}_0, w)$  such that

$$x_0 \in \hat{x}_0, x_0 \xrightarrow{w} x \Rightarrow x \in \hat{\Delta}(\hat{x}_0, w)$$

*updates belief state (set of possible states) according to observed trace*



# Formalization of Diagnosability



Diagnosis condition  $\hat{x} \models c_1 \perp c_2$  iff  $\hat{x} \cap c_1 = \emptyset \vee \hat{x} \cap c_2 = \emptyset$

*belief state never allows both  $c_1$  and  $c_2$*

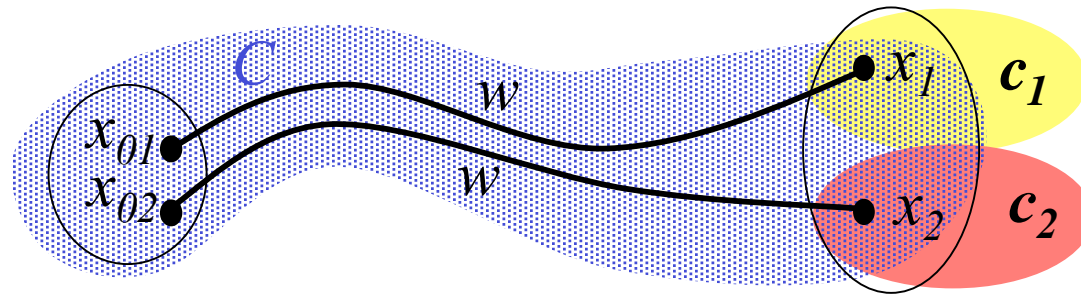
- Typical cases:  $fault \perp \neg fault$  (detection),  $fault_1 \perp fault_2$  (identification)

$\hat{\Delta} \models c_1 \perp c_2$  iff  $\forall x_0 \in \hat{x}_0, x_0 \xrightarrow{w} x \cdot \hat{\Delta}(\hat{x}_0, w) \models c_1 \perp c_2$

$c_1 \perp c_2$  is diagnosable iff  $\exists \hat{\Delta} \models c_1 \perp c_2$

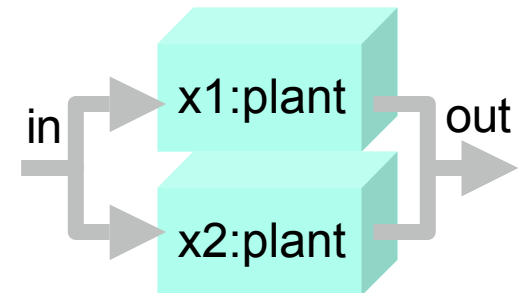
- ... in given context: conditions on execution  $\sigma$  and initial belief state  $\hat{x}_0$

# Diagnosability as Reachability



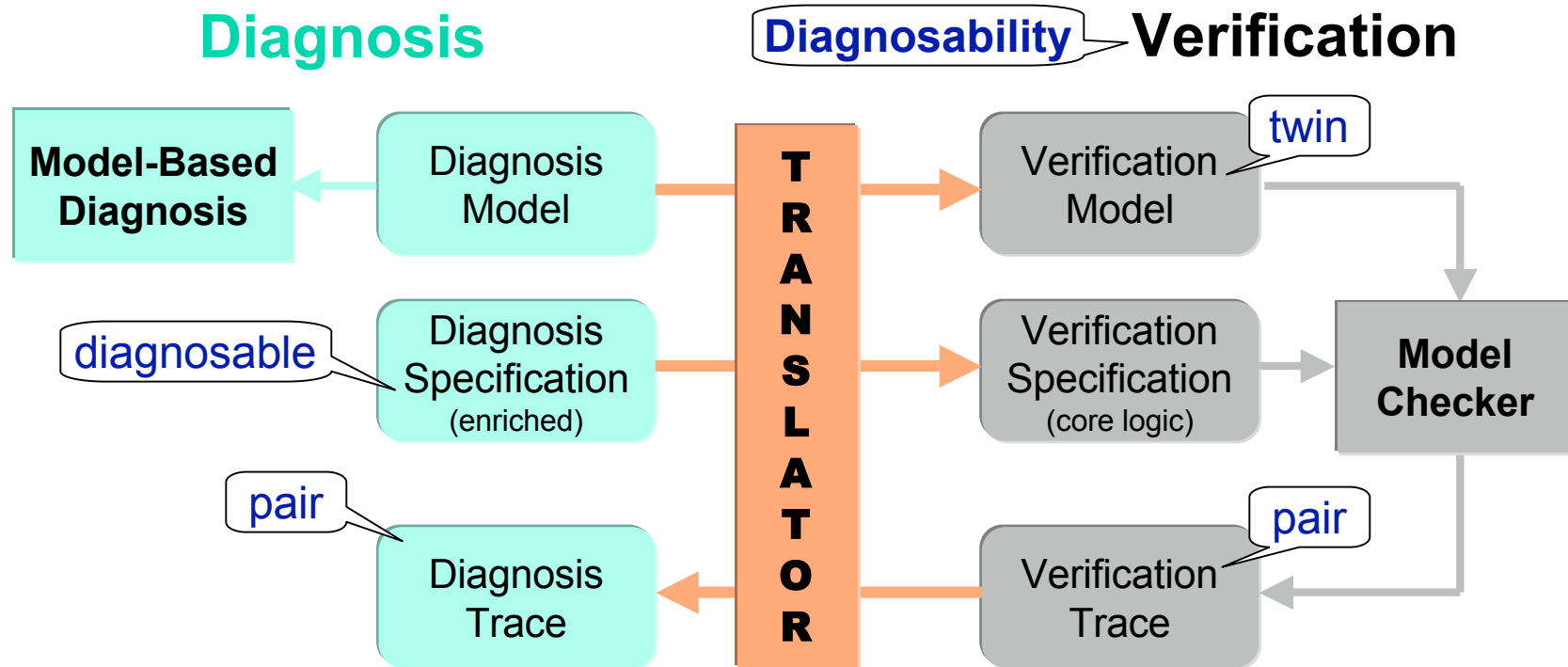
- Critical Pair  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2$  for  $c_1 \perp c_2$  (in context  $C$ ) such that  $w_1 = w_2 = w$  and  $x_1 \in c_1$  and  $x_2 \in c_2$  (and  $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  satisfy  $C$ )
- *Coupled Twin Plant*  $P^2 =$  two copies of the plant  $P$  with merged inputs and outputs

**iff**  $c_1 \perp c_2$  diagnosable (in  $C$ )  
**iff** no critical pairs for  $c_1 \perp c_2$  (in  $C$ )  
**iff**  $c_1 \times c_2$  not reachable in  $P^2$  (and  $C$ )



- Model checking: verify  $\neg \mathbf{F} c_1(x_1) \wedge c_2(x_2)$  in  $P^2$  (+ context)

# Model Translation for Diagnosability



- Generate twin coupled model
- Support specific syntax for twin models and diagnosability properties
- Translate/correlate pairs of error traces

# Diagnosability in SMV Translator

- Added generation of twin models
- Added syntax for properties of twin models
- Example: starting from **known initial non-faulty state**, with **single faults**, can we detect whether there is **high current in the bulb?**

```
invar same(visibility()) // observations are the same on both sides
```

```
verify (same(modes()) & both(!broken())) ->  
!E[both(!multibroken()) U both(!multibroken()) & !same(test.bulb.i)]
```

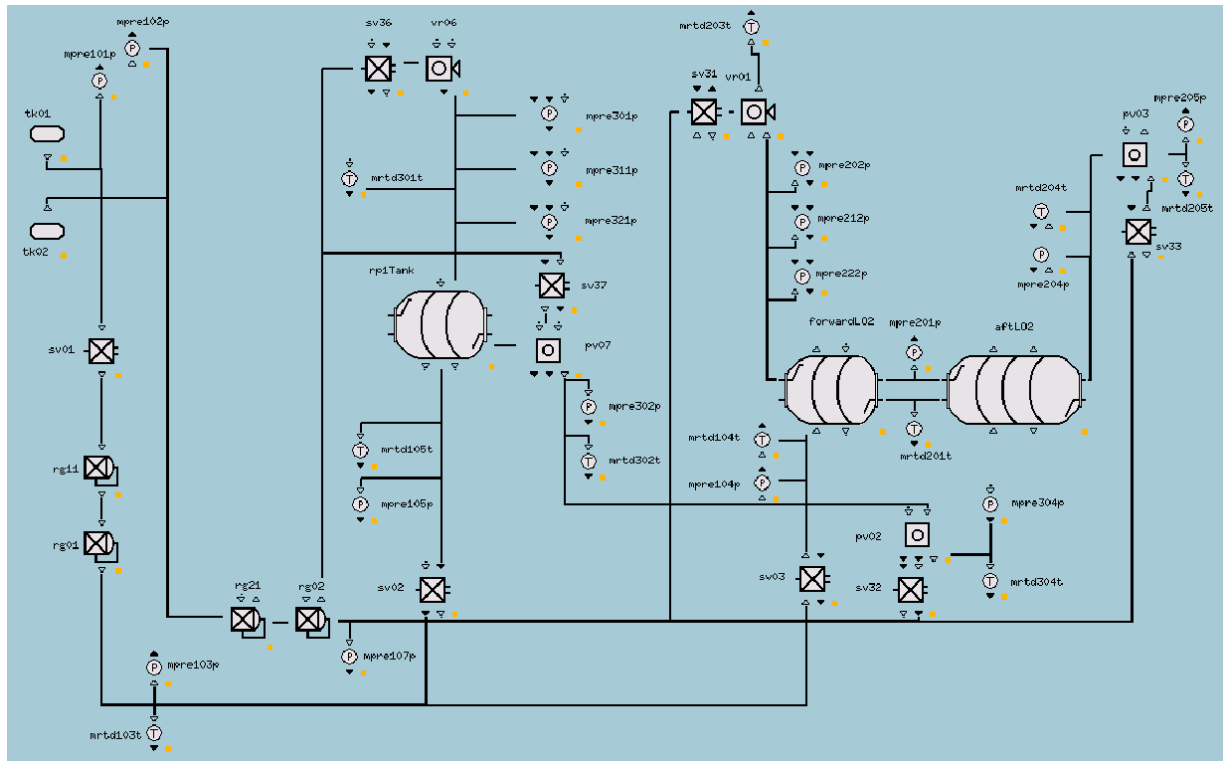
- Coming soon: syntax for diagnosability property

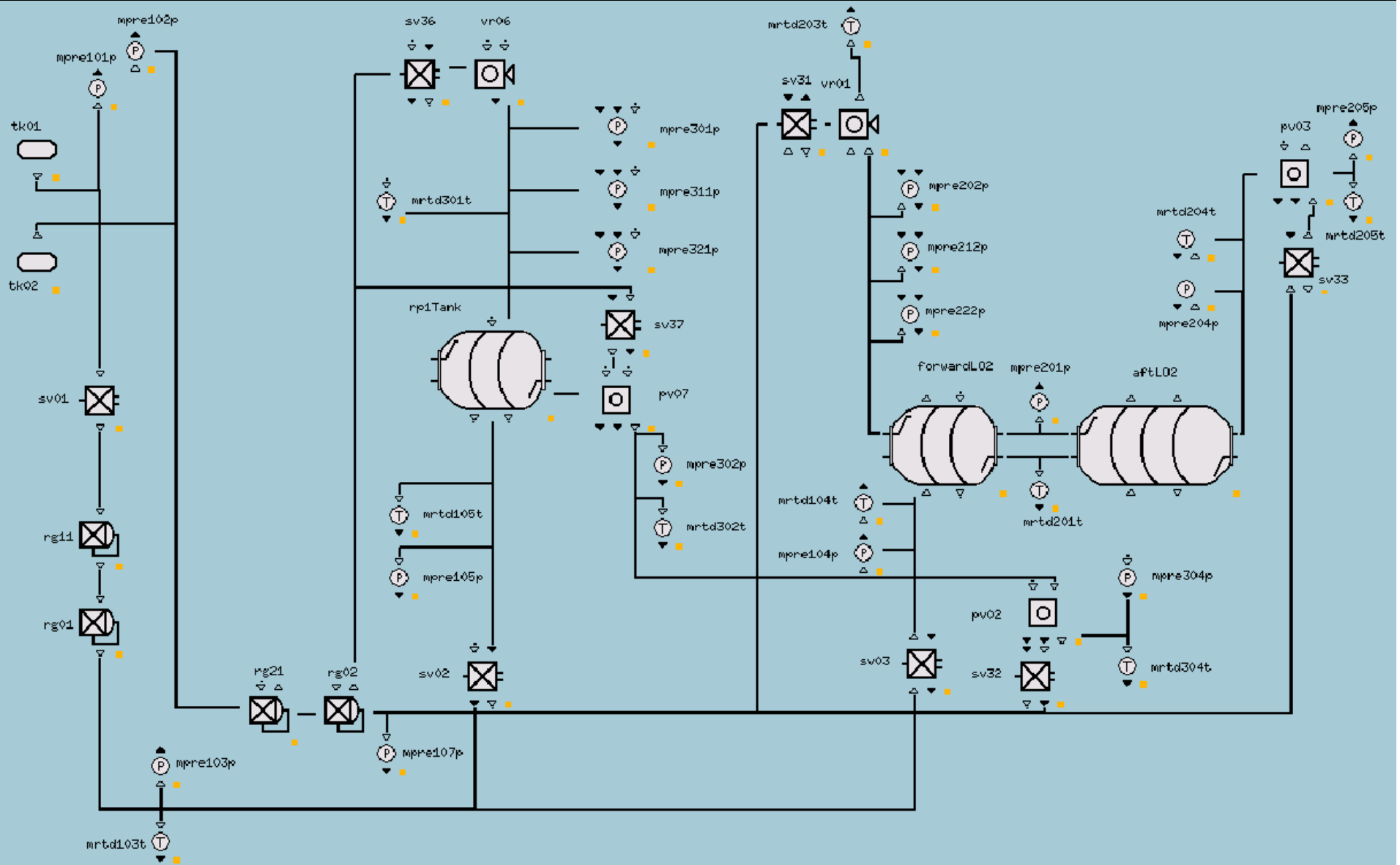
```
verify detection test.bulb.i=high  
from same(modes()) & both(!broken())  
keeping !multibroken()
```



# X-34 / PITEX

- Propulsion IVHM Technology Experiment (ARC, GRC)
- Livingstone applied to propulsion feed system of space vehicle
- Livingstone model is  $4 \cdot 10^{33}$  states





# Diagnosability Verification on PITEX

*with Roberto Cavada (IRST, NuSMV developer)*

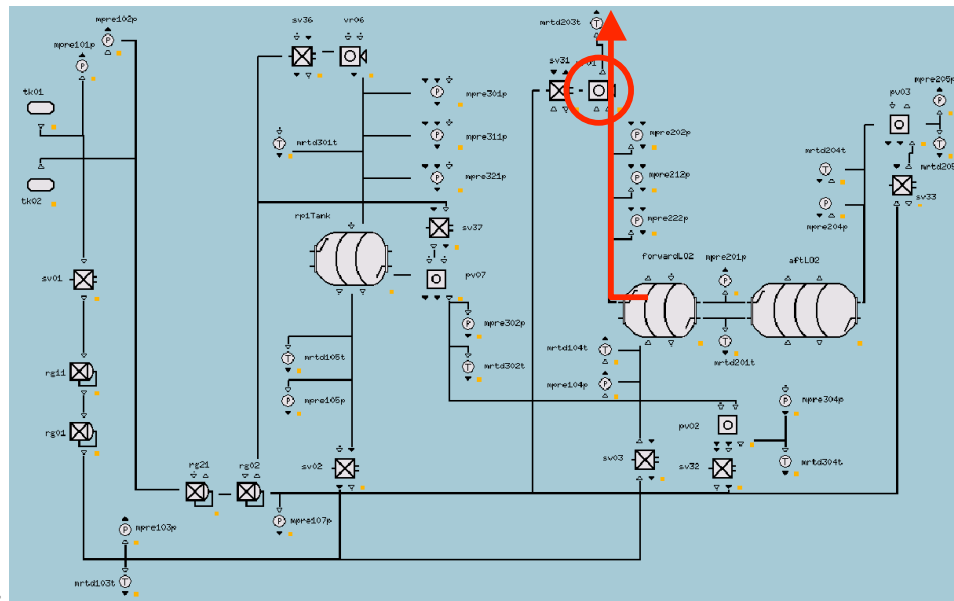
- Applied translator to PITEX model
- Goals:
  - Demonstrate scalability to real-size models
  - Demonstrate relevance wrt. application needs
- Compared BDD-based vs. SAT-based
  - BDD: single model done (with tuning), twin model too big
  - SAT: twin model done in a few seconds!
- Found application-relevant anomaly in PITEX model (unnoticed oxygen leak)
- See report: RIACS TR 03.03

# PITEX Diagnosability Error

- *"Diagnosis can decide whether the venting valve VR01 is closed or stuck open (assuming no other failures)"*

**INVAR !test.multibroken() & twin(!test.broken())**  
**VERIFY INVARIANT !(test.vr01.mode=stuckOpen & twin(test.vr01.valvePosition=closed))**

- Results show a pair of traces with same observations, one leading to **VR01 stuck open**, the other to **VR01 closed**. Application specialists fixed their model.



# Publications

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- Cavada, Roberto and Pecheur, Charles. Practical Formal Verification of Diagnosability of Large Models via Symbolic Model Checking. Technical Report TR03.03, RIACS, USRA, January 2003.
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# Perspectives

## The Big Picture:

### A Model-Based Failure Analysis Tool Applicable to Dynamic Models

- Key concept: partial observability
- Demonstrated on concrete, real-size applications
  - Demonstrate scalability and relevance to practical needs
- Tools aimed at non-specialist users, integrated with development
  - Vision: build integrated "advanced debuggers"
  - GUI, visualization, documentation, integration, ...
  - Takes a lot of engineering work

# Perspectives (cont'd)

Extensions:

- Extend from discrete to **real-time and hybrid models**
  - Build on new generalized solvers (MathSAT at IRST, ICS at SRI)
- Apply to **human-computer interaction**
  - Features partial observability issues
- Study relations with classical **risk analysis models**
  - Fault trees, FMEA, ...
- Generalize to verification of **epistemic logics**
  - applications to multi-agent systems, security protocols

# CTLK Logic

- Reasoning about time and knowledge:  
= CTL + temporal operators
  - $K_a \varphi$  =  $a$  knows  $\varphi$
  - $E_G \varphi$  = each one in  $G$  knows  $\varphi$
  - $D_G \varphi$  = together, all in  $G$  know  $\varphi$
  - $C_G \varphi$  = it is common knowledge in  $G$  that  $\varphi$
- Interpreted over an *Interpreted System* =
  - *Transition system* (Kripke structure)  $T$  +
  - *Observation functions*  $\text{obs}_a(\sigma)$  over runs  $\sigma$  of  $T$ , for each agent  $a$   
$$\sigma \sim_a \sigma' \text{ iff } \text{obs}_a(\sigma) = \text{obs}_a(\sigma')$$
  
$$\sigma \models K_a \varphi \text{ iff for all } \underline{\text{reachable}} \sigma' . \sigma \sim_a \sigma' \Rightarrow \sigma' \models \varphi$$



# Knowledge views

- *Total recall*:
  - $\text{obs}_a(\sigma)$  = all that  $a$  saw since start of  $\sigma$
  - Full CTLK non-elementary
  - Nice solution for  $\text{AX}^k \varphi$ ,  $\varphi$  with only one actor
- *Observational*:
  - $\text{obs}_a(\sigma)$  = all that  $a$  sees in last state of  $\sigma$
  - $\text{obs}_a(s_0 \dots s_n) = \text{obs}_a(s_n)$ ,  $s \sim_a s'$  becomes a state relation
  - $s \models \mathbf{K}_a \varphi$  iff  $(s \sim_a s' \leftarrow^* s'_0 \in Q_0) \Rightarrow s' \models \varphi$
  - Can be expressed as generalized CTL over multiple transition relations  $\rightarrow, \sim_a, \leftarrow$
  - SMV-style symbolic model checking applies
- Variants: last + clock, all – clock

# Diagnosability and CTLK

$$c_1 \perp c_2 \text{ iff } AG (K_d \sim c_1 \vee K_d \sim c_2)$$

where agent  $d$  (diagnoser) sees all observable variables, with perfect recall.

- Bounded approximation corresponds to  $AX^k \varphi$  case above
- Conversely, all  $\varphi$  with positive  $K$  over a single agent are equivalent to

$$K \varphi_1 \vee \dots \vee K \varphi_n$$

and can be analyzed using the twin model approach

# Diagnosability with Observational

- Franco Raimondi (King's College London)
  - At Ames for the summer
  - developed a BDD model checker for CTLK (using observational view)
  - studying connections between diagnosability and CTLK
- Using observational view for diagnosability
  - requires mapping memory of previous obs explicitly into diagnoser variables
  - inelegant, cumbersome and inefficient
  - flexible model for diagnoser's memory
  - work in progress!

# CTLK + correctness

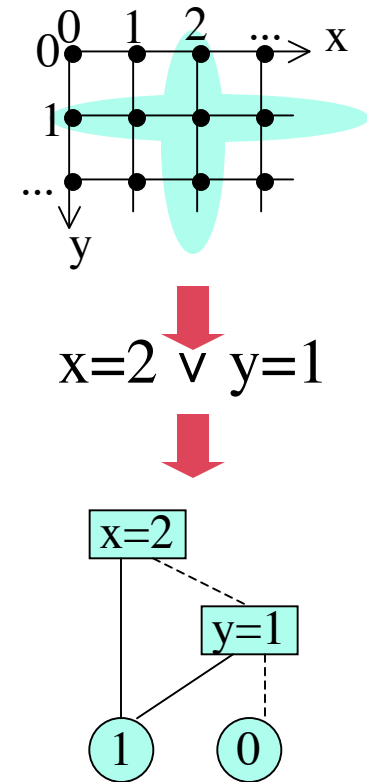
$K_a^G \varphi$  = a knows  $\varphi$ , assuming everyone in G "works correctly"

- "works correctly" is a state condition
- Useful for diagnosis: one agent per component, works correctly iff non-fault mode
- Verification supported by Raimondi's tool (BDD based)
- Expressivity issue: correctness in present state vs. in future
- Work in progress!

# Backup Slides

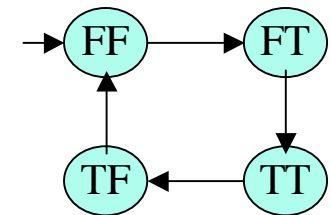
# Symbolic Model Checking (BDD)

- Manipulates **sets of states**,  
Represented as **boolean formulas**,  
Encoded as **binary decision diagrams**.
- Can handle large state spaces ( $10^{50}$  and up).
- BDD computations:
  - Efficient algorithms for needed operations.
  - BDD size is still exponential in worst case.
  - Highly sensitive (e.g. to variable ordering) and hard to optimize.
- Example: **SMV/NuSMV** (Carnegie Mellon/IRST)

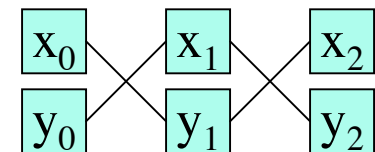


# Bounded Model Checking (SAT)

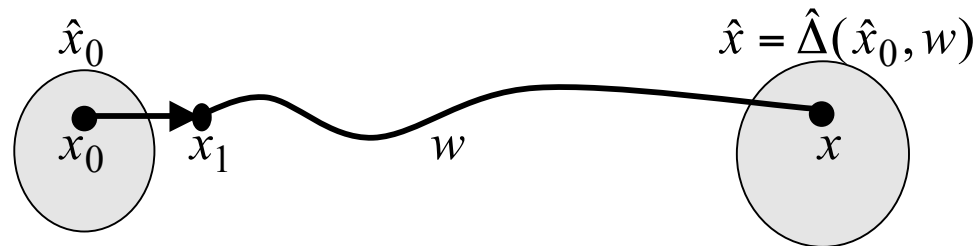
- Symbolic model checking variant.
- Uses SAT (propositional satisfiability) rather than BDDs.
  - Idea: unroll transition relation a finite number of times into a (big) constraint network.
- Bounded-depth only, not complete.
- Very efficient
  - Polynomial space!
  - Exponential time in the worst-case **but** modern SAT solvers are very efficient in most practical cases.
- Example: **NuSMV** (using the Chaff solver from Princeton)



$$x' = y \wedge y' = \sim x$$



# Formalization



Transition system  $x \xrightarrow{u/y} x'$ , execution  $\sigma : x_0 \xrightarrow{w} x$   
*trace  $w$  is visible, states  $x, x'$  are hidden*

Diagnosis function  $\hat{x} = \hat{\Delta}(\hat{x}_0, w)$

*updates belief state according to observed trace*

Correct iff  $x_0 \in \hat{x}_0, x_0 \xrightarrow{w} x \Rightarrow x \in \hat{x}$

*does not lose the actual state*

Perfect diagnosis  $\Delta_P(\hat{x}_0, w) = \{x \mid \exists x_0 \in \hat{x}_0. x_0 \xrightarrow{w} x\}$   
*the best possible knowing the transition system*



## Formalization (cont'd)

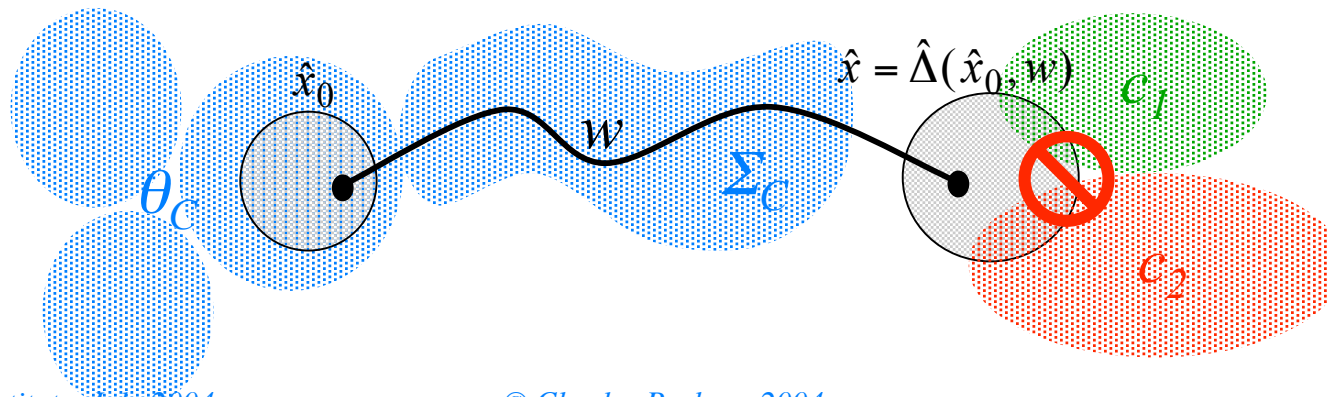
$\hat{x} \models c_1 \perp c_2$  iff  $\hat{x} \cap c_1 = \emptyset \vee \hat{x} \cap c_2 = \emptyset$   
*no ambiguity between  $c_1$  and  $c_2$*

$\hat{x}_0 \models \theta_C$  iff  $\hat{x}_0 \times \hat{x}_0 \subseteq \theta_C$

*initial belief compatible with equivalence  $\theta_C$*

$(\hat{x}_0, w) \models (\Sigma_C, \theta_C)$  iff  $\hat{x}_0 \models \theta_C \wedge \exists \sigma : x_0 \xrightarrow{w} x. x_0 \in \hat{x}_0 \wedge \sigma \in \Sigma$   
*idem. and trace compatible with some execution in  $\Sigma_C$*

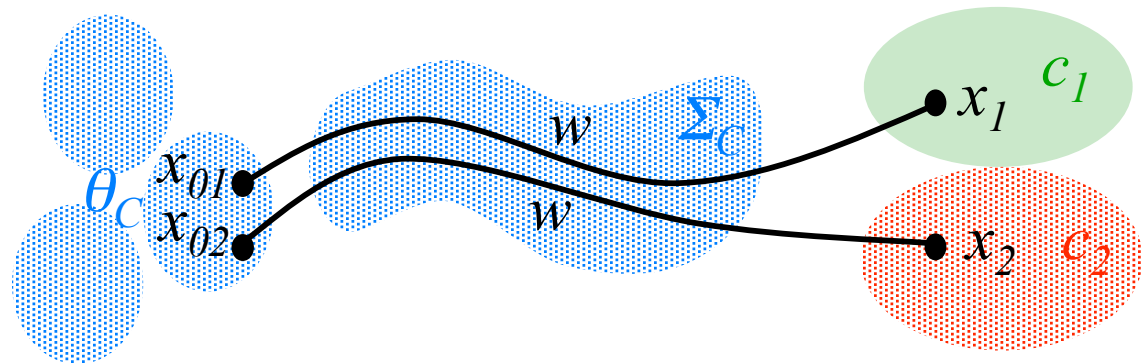
$\hat{\Delta}, (\Sigma_C, \theta_C) \models c_1 \perp c_2$  iff  $(\hat{x}_0, w) \models (\Sigma_C, \theta_C) \Rightarrow \hat{\Delta}(\hat{x}_0, w) \models c_1 \perp c_2$   
*for all initial beliefs and executions within context, no ambiguity*



# Critical Pairs

Counter-example of a condition  $c_1 \perp c_2$  in context  $(\Sigma_C, \theta_C)$ :  
 a pair of executions  $\sigma_1 | \sigma_2 : x_{01} | x_{02} \xrightarrow{w} x_1 | x_2$  with the  
 same observable trace  $w$ , such that

- $c_1(x_1)$  and  $c_2(x_2)$ , and
- ...  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2 \in \Sigma_C$ , and
- ...  $x_{01} \theta_C x_{02}$

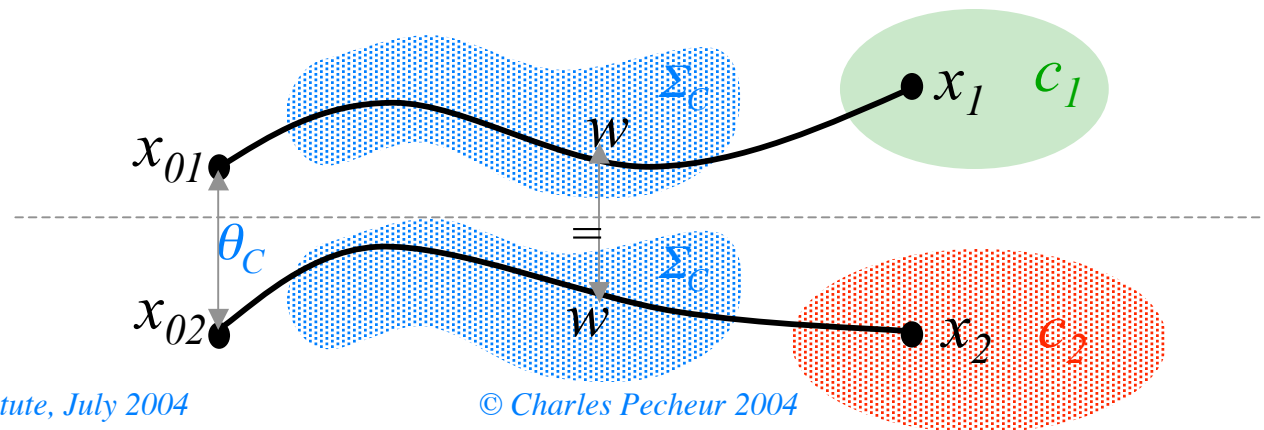


$c_1 \perp c_2$  diagnosable in  $(\Sigma_C, \theta_C)$  iff no critical pairs

# Coupled Twin Model

- Coupled twin plant  $P^2 =$  two copies of the plant  $P$  with merged inputs and outputs

$c_1 \perp c_2$  diagnosable in  $(\Sigma_C, \theta_C)$   
**iff**  
 $c_1 \times c_2$  not reachable from  $\theta_C$  through  $\Sigma_C \times \Sigma_C$  in  $P^2$



# Temporal Epistemic Logic

- Reasoning about time and knowledge: **CTLK** logic

$$\begin{array}{ll} \varphi & ::= p \mid \neg\varphi \mid \varphi \wedge \varphi & \text{atomic propositions, boolean ops} \\ & \mid EX \varphi \mid E[\varphi U \varphi] \mid EG \varphi & \text{temporal ops} \\ & \mid K_a \varphi \mid E_G \varphi \mid D_G \varphi \mid C_G \varphi & \text{knowledge ops} \end{array}$$

with  $\varphi \vee \varphi' := \neg(\neg\varphi \wedge \neg\varphi')$ ,  $EF \varphi := E[\text{true} U \varphi]$ ,  $AG \varphi := \neg EF \neg\varphi$ , ...

- Interpreted over an *Interpreted System* =

- *Transition system* (Kripke structure)  $T$  +
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