# Engineering Requirements for High-Assurance Applications

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### High-Assurance Applications (HA)

McLean'95

Applications where *compelling evidence* is required that the system delivers its services in a manner that satisfies certain critical properties such as: safety, security, survivability, fault tolerance

## High-Assurance Applications (2)

- Survivability: ability of a system to fulfill its mission in a timely manner even in the presence of (external) incidents or attacks
- Fault tolerance: ability to avoid or mitigate failure even in case of fault
- Fault: (internal) cause of failure
- Failure: deviation between actual & specified behavior

## HA applications: problems & challenges

- The later software defects are found, the more expensive & dangerous they are ...
  - Start caring for high assurance *early*, i.e. at requirements engineering time
  - Preserve high assurance at every transition to downstream artefacts (architecture, test data, code)

#### HA applications: problems & challenges (2)

- A posteriori detection & fix of software defects may endlessly generate other defects ...
  - Adopt a constructive approach where high assurance is granted by construction

### HA applications: problems & challenges (3)

- High assurance requires much stronger level of confidence ...
  - **↓**
  - Stronger confidence requires more formal elaboration
     & analysis (supported by tools)
  - Usability at requirements engineering time requires lightweight techniques

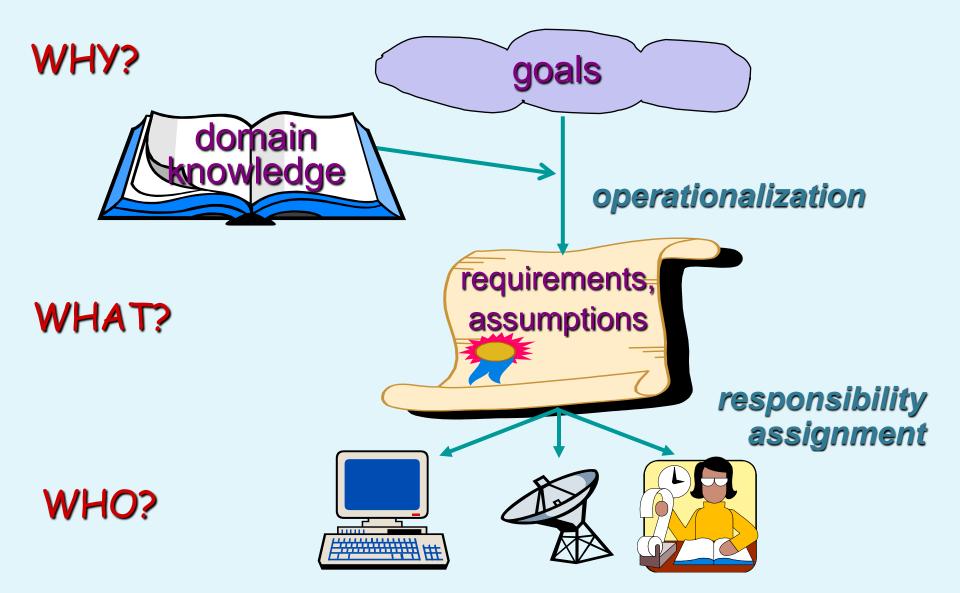
Requirements engineering for HA applications: problems & challenges

 Requirements Engineering (RE) # translating informal requirements into ± formal model

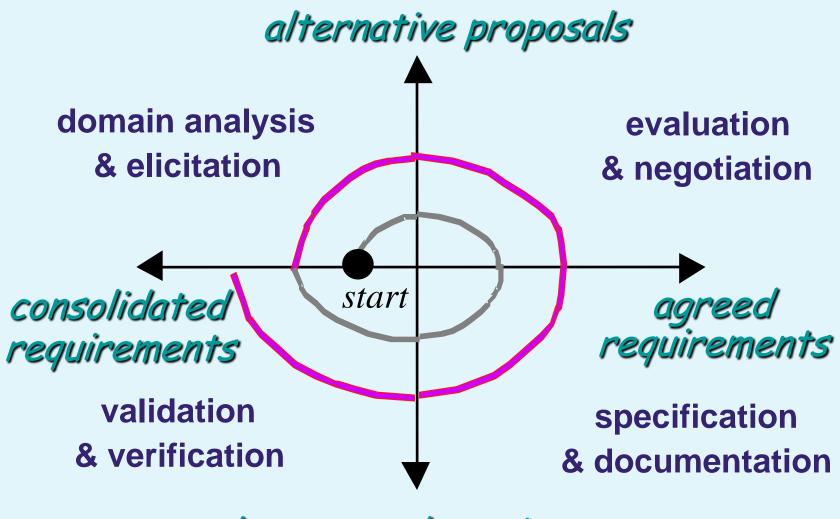
Requirements are not there, you need to ...

- elicit them,
- evaluate them,
- structure & document them,
- analyze them,
- modify them

#### RE: the WHY, WHAT, WHO dimensions



#### **RE: an iterative process**



documented requirements

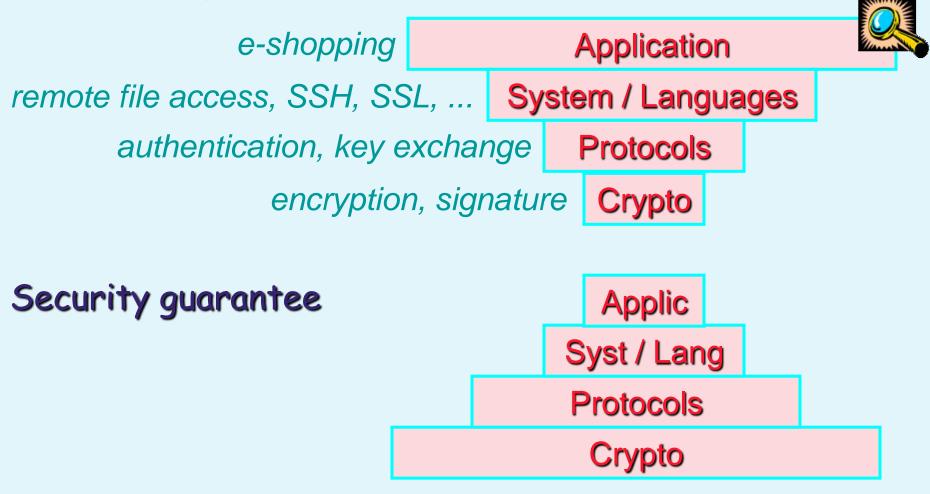


# Requirements engineering is hard ...

- System = software + environment (possibly malicious)
- Involves 2 systems: system-as-is, system-to-be
- Ranges from high-level, strategic objectives to detailed, technical requirements
- Requires evaluation of alternatives
- Raises conflicting concerns
- Requires anticipation of unexpected behaviors (for requirements completeness, system robustness)

#### Security engineering: problem space vs. solution space

#### Software layers



### Focus of these lectures

- Critical properties in HA systems
- In particular: security at upper, application layer
- Application is secure iff it satisfies a "complete" set of security goals
  - about confidentiality, integrity, availability, privacy, ...
- Necessary condition for application security: security goals must be made *explicit*, *precise*, *complete*, *adequate*, *non-conflicting*

# A RE method for HA applications should be ...

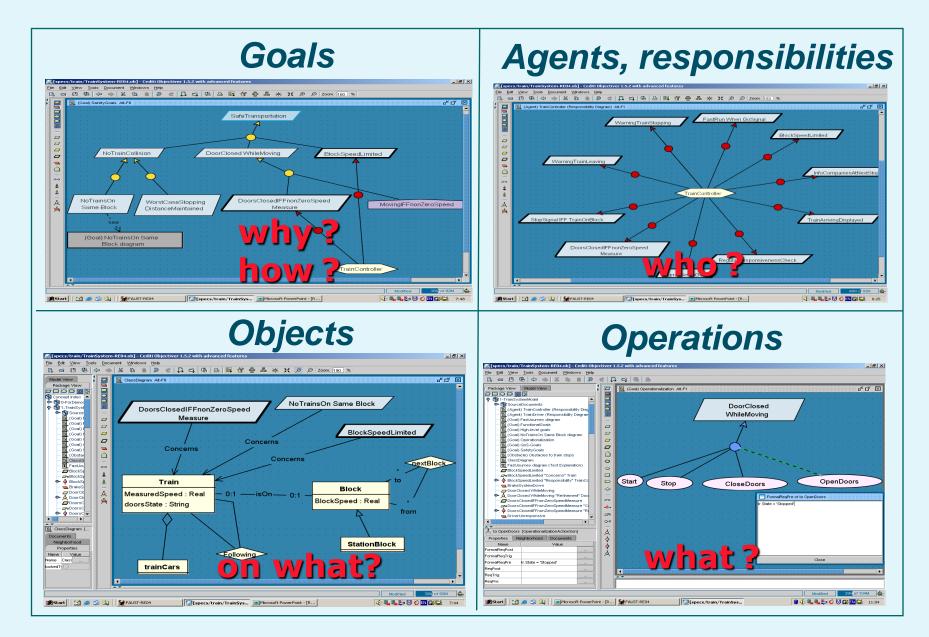
- Goal-oriented: to ensure that requirements satisfy system objectives -- notably, *safety, security goals*
- Incremental: for *early* analysis of partial models
- Constructive: for analyst guidance & confidence
- Model-based: for abstraction & structure *Multiple models*: for capturing multiple facets
- Mix declarative and operational styles as needed
- Formal when and where needed, but lightweight

### Course outline

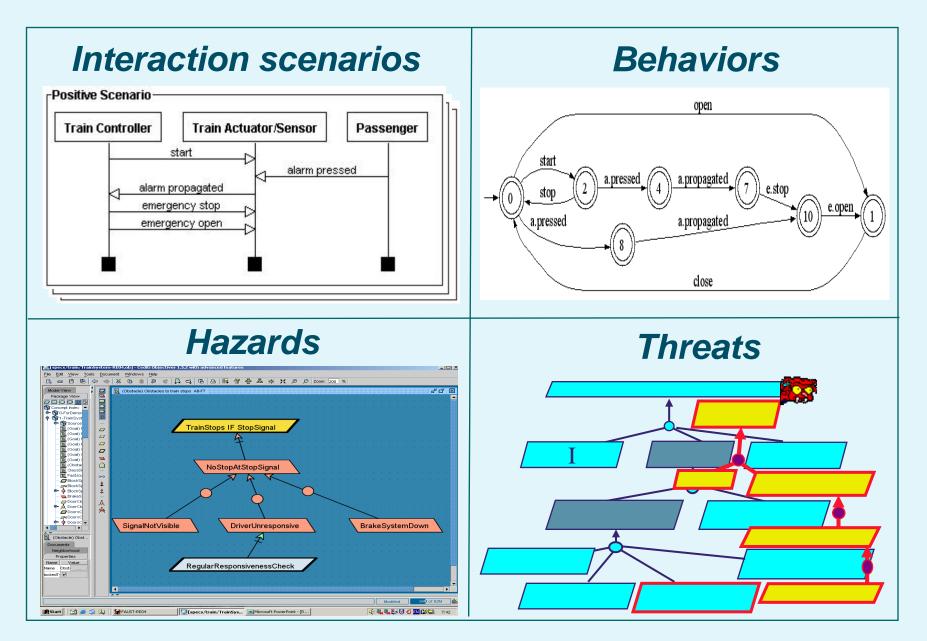
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- Modeling goals, objects, agents, operations, behaviors
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#### What models ?



#### What models ? (2)





# The goal model

- Intentional view of the system being modeled
- Goal = objective to be achieved by system ...
  - *prescriptive* statement of intent about system
  - system (as-is, to-be) = software + environment

"E-money shall be paid only if sufficient e-purse balance"

- unlike domain property ...
  - *descriptive* statement about environment "Paid money is no longer in purse"



Goals in a goal model have different granularities & abstraction levels

 Higher-level, coarser-grained goals ... strategic, global, business-specific "Cash-free payment supported anywhere anytime" Lower-level, finer-grained goals ... technical, local, design-specific "E-purses shall have a max capacity of X euros"

# Goals in a goal model are of different types

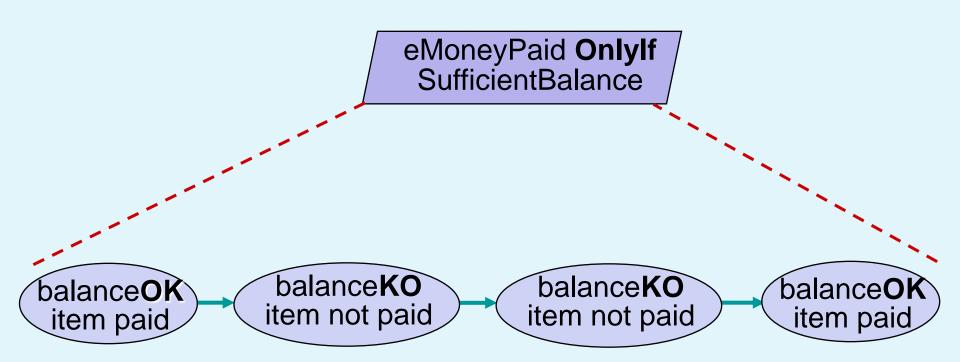
 Behavioral goals prescribe maximal sets of admissible system behaviors

Achieve [TargetCondition]: if CurrentCondition then sooner-or-later TargetCondition Achieve [E-moneyMovedAsNeeded]

Maintain [GoodCondition]: always (if CurrentCondition then GoodCondition) Maintain [E-moneyAccuratelyStored]

Avoid [BadCondition]: never (if CurrentCondition then BadCondition) Avoid [E-purseBalanceDisclosedToNonOwners]

### Behavioral goals prescribe intended behaviors declaratively





Goals in a goal model are of different types (2)

- Soft goals prescribe preferences among alternative system behaviors
  - can<u>not</u> be established in a clear-cut sense
  - used to compare alternative options

Improve, Increase, Reduce, ... [TargetCondition]

Reduce [BankClerkWorkload]

Achieve [ePurseLoadedAtATM]

preferred over

Achieve [ePurseLoadedAtBank]

# Goals in a goal model are of different categories

Functional goals state intent behind system services

- Used to build operational models: use cases, state machines, task workflows, ...

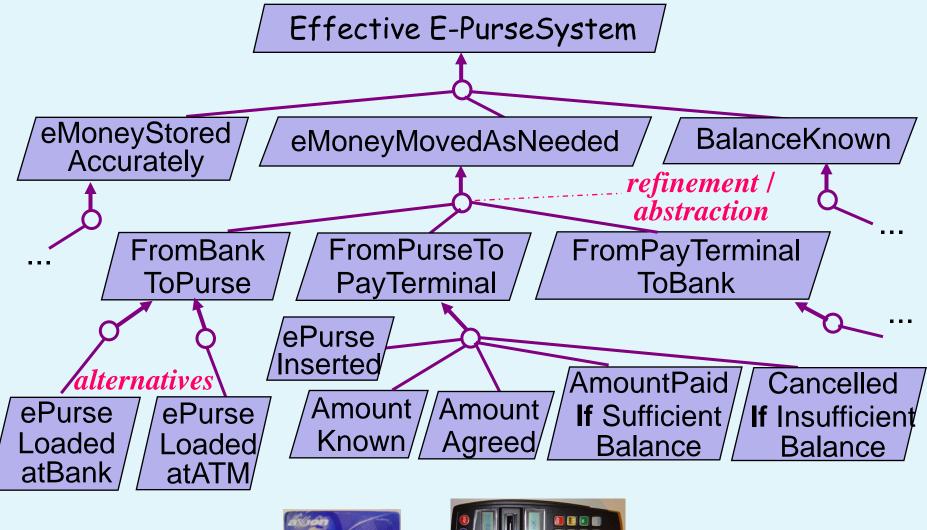
EmoneyMovedFromEpurseToPayTerminal

- Quality goals constrain quality of service ("nonfunctional goals")
  - About security, safety, accuracy, usability, cost, performance, interoperability, etc.

Maintain [eMoneyStoredAccurately], Improve [PurseUsability]

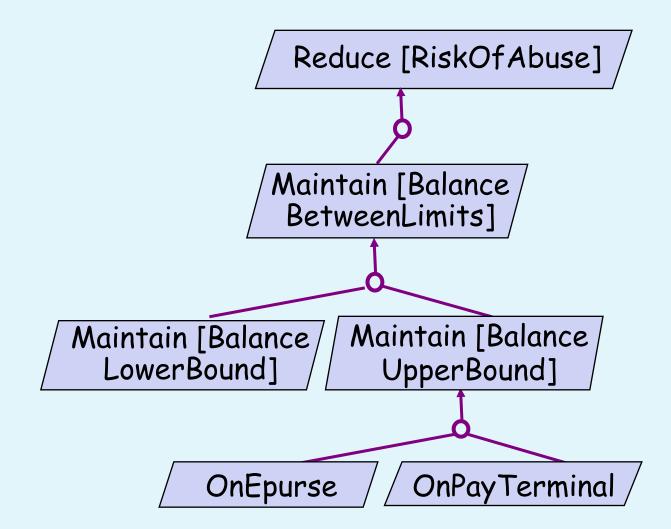
- Some are softgoals (e.g. "ility" goals)
- Often conflicting

# The goal model shows contribution links





# Refining a security soft goal into behavioral goals



# Goal specifications annotate the goal model

**Goal** Achieve [AmountPaid If SufficientBalance] **Def** A payment shall be done for some input amount through epurse debit and pay terminal credit if the amount is OK-ed by the payer and the e-purse balance is higher or equal to this amount

### Optional formalization in *real-time temporal logic* ("next", "always", "sooner-or-later", ...) for formal reasoning

Goal satisfaction requires agent cooperation

# Agent = role (rather than individual) responsible for goal satisfaction

Achieve [eMoneyMovedFromPurseToPayTerminal] +>

Payee, Payer, ePurse, PayTerminal

#### Agent types:

- software

(software-to-be, legacy software, COTS components, foreign components)

- devices (sensors, actuators, ...)
- humans playing specific roles

# Goal satisfaction requires agent cooperation (2)

- ◆ Finer-grained goal ⇒ fewer agents required for goal satisfaction
- Requirement = goal assigned to single agent in software-to-be

Achieve [AmountDebitedIfSufficientBalance]

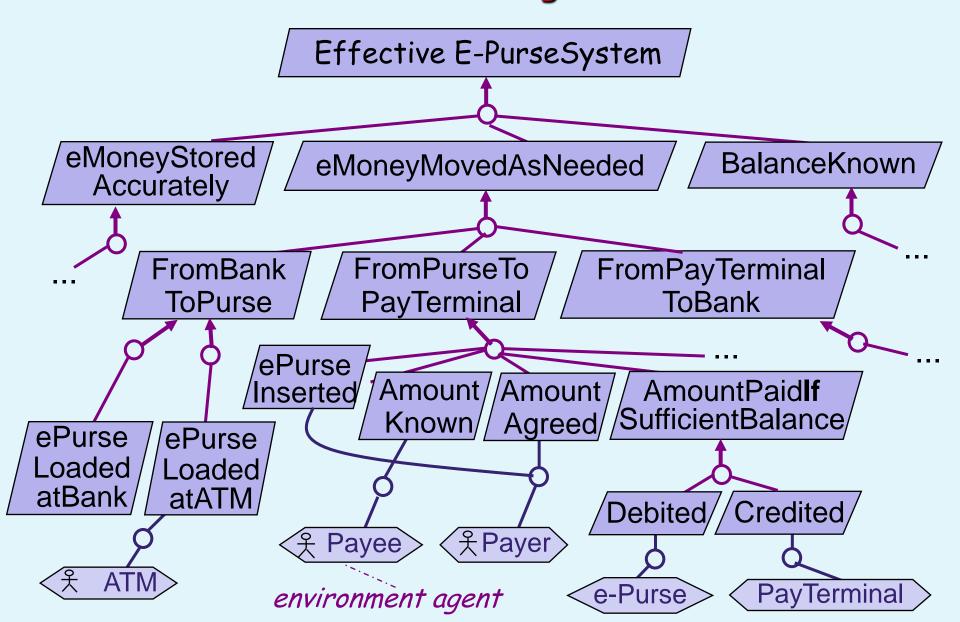
↔ ePurse

Achieve [AmountCreditedIfDebited]

↔ PayTerminal

Expectation = goal assigned to single agent in environment

#### Goals are refined until single responsibilities can be assigned





# WHY are goals so important ?

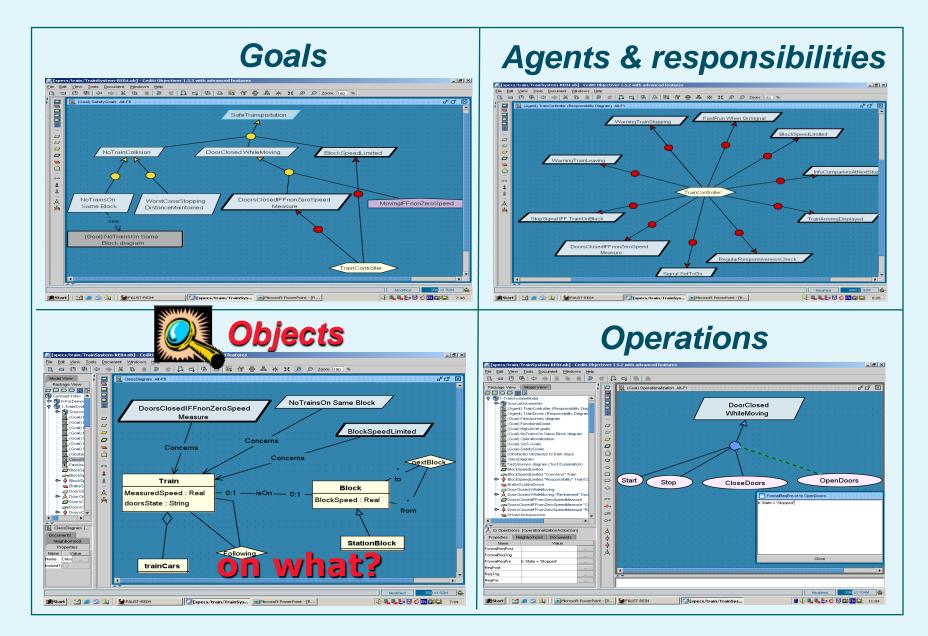
- Abstraction level for strategic stakeholders (decision makers)
- Force environment assumptions to be made explicit
- Criterion for requirements completeness
   REQ is complete if for all G: {REQ, EXPECT, Dom} |- G
- Criterion for requirements relevance
   r in REQ is pertinent if for some G
   r is used in {REQ, EXPECT, Dom} |- G

# High assurance requires satisfaction arguments

- Informal argument at least, formal argument at best
   R, E, D G
  - " in view of properties D of the domain, the requirements R will achieve goals G under expectations E"
  - R1: amount debited from e-purse
  - R2: same amount credited to pay terminal
  - D: amount paid if debited from e-purse and credited to terminal
  - E: amount agreed by payer
  - **G:** amount agreed and paid

 A goal model supports satisfaction arguments & traceability links for free

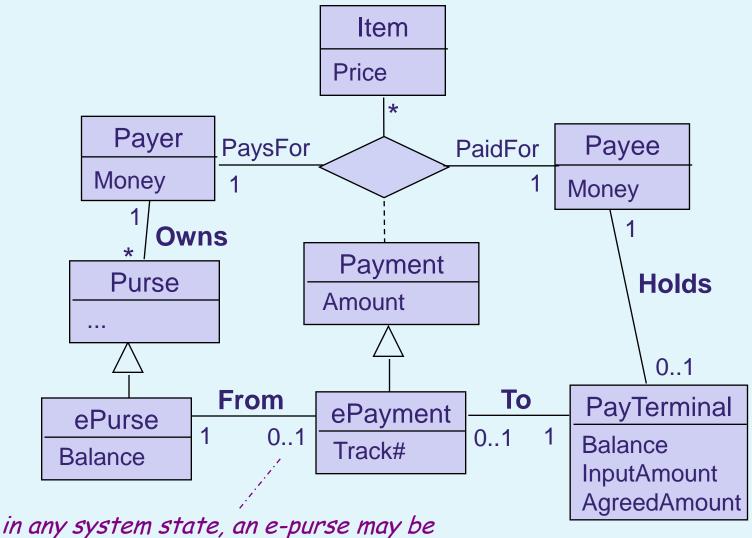
#### What models ?



# Modeling objects

- Structural view of the system being modeled
- Object = thing of interest in the system whose instances ...
  - share similar features (attributes, associations)
  - can be distinctly identified
  - have specific behavior from state to state
- Object attributes/associations yield state variables
- Object specializations (at meta level):
  - entity: autonomous object
  - association: object dependent on objects it links
  - event: instantaneous object
  - agent: active object, controls behaviors

## The structure of objects is modeled using UML



involved in at least 0 and at most 1 e-payment

## Object specifications annotate the object model

#### **Relationship** Payment

**Def** Condition for an item to be sold by a payee to a payer

**DomInvar** An item is paid if its price is debited from the payee and credited to the payer

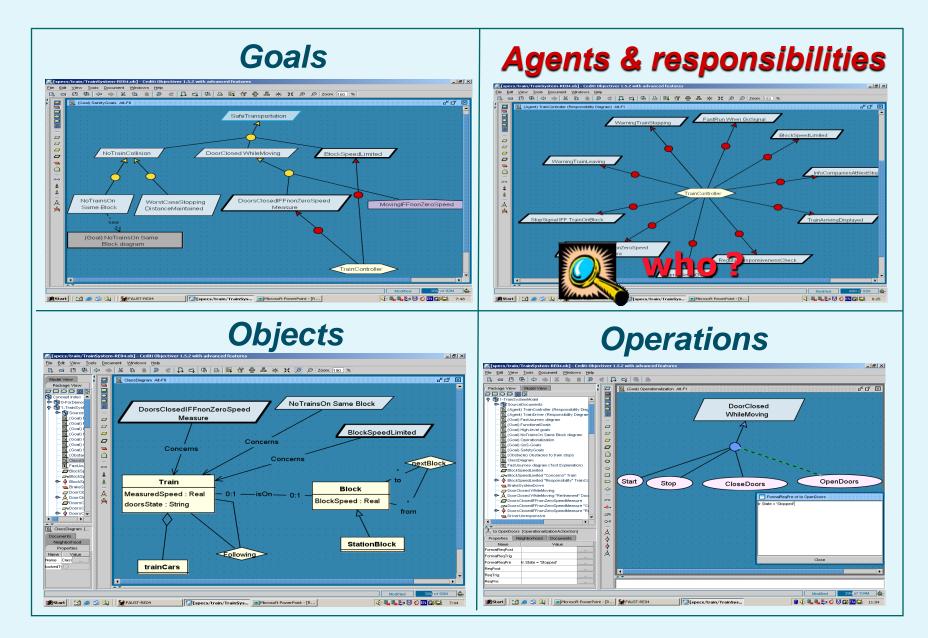
**[FormalSpec**  $\forall$  it: Item, pyr: Payer, pye: Payee

Payment (pyr, pye, it)  $\Rightarrow$  pyr.Money =  $\circ$  pyr.Money - it.Price

∧ pye.Money = ● pye. Money + it.Price ]

#### domain properties

#### What models ?





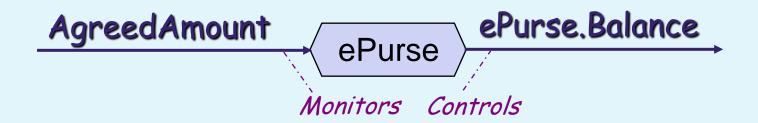
- Responsibility view of the system being modeled: who is in charge of what
- Agent:
  - (Role rather than individual -- software, device, human)
  - Active object: *monitors* & *controls* state variables (through *operations* on attrib, assoc)
  - Runs concurrently with others
  - Agent responsible for goal ⇒
     must restrict system behaviors
     goal must be *realizable* by agent



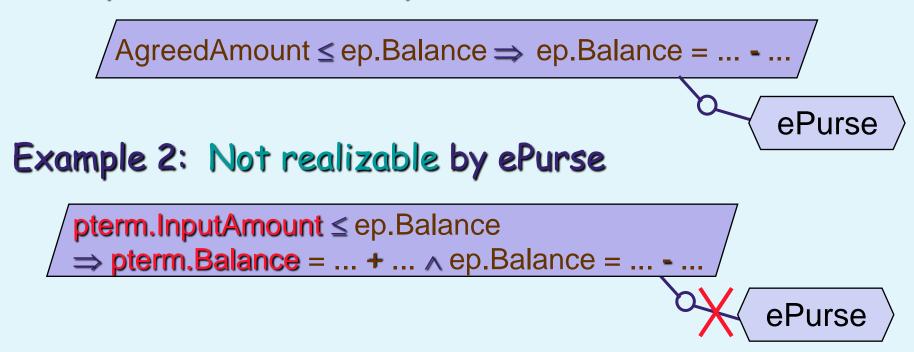
- A goal is *realizable* by an agent *iff* its monitoring & control capabilities enable it/her to satisfy the goal in view of known domain properties (without more restrictions than required by G)
- A goal is unrealizable by an agent because of ...
  - lack of monitorability of variables to be evaluated
  - lack of controllability of variables to be constrained
  - reference to future
  - conditional unsatisfiability (aka conflict with other goals)
  - unbounded achievement

(liveness property)

## Goal realizability & agent capabilities: examples

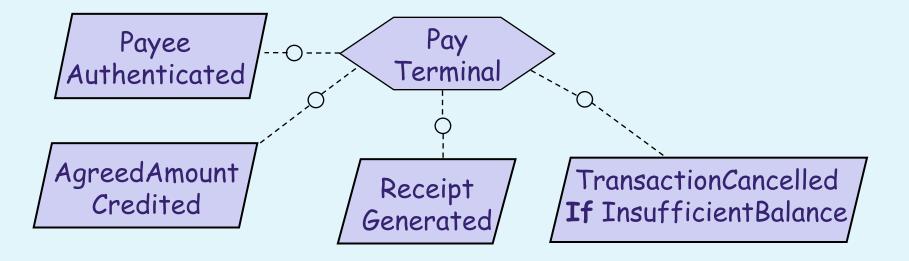


#### Example 1: Realizable by ePurse



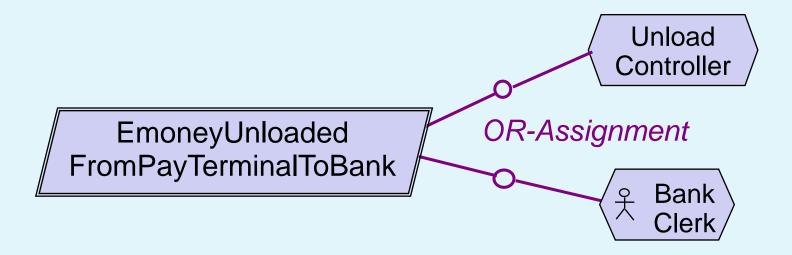


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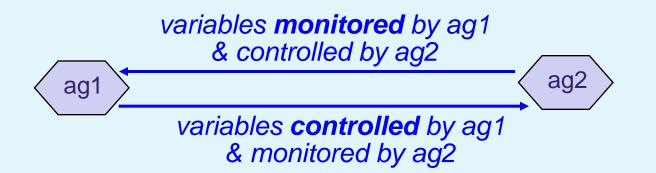


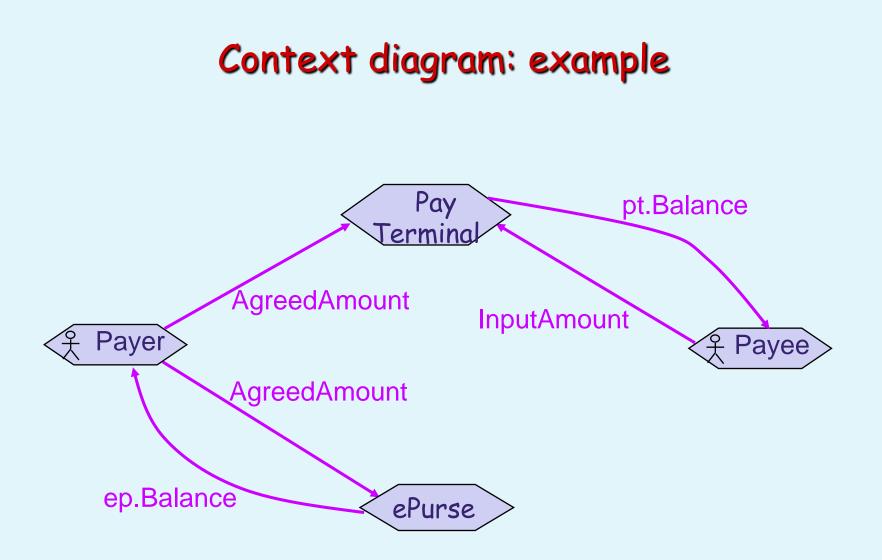
## Alternative agent assignments define alternative system boundaries



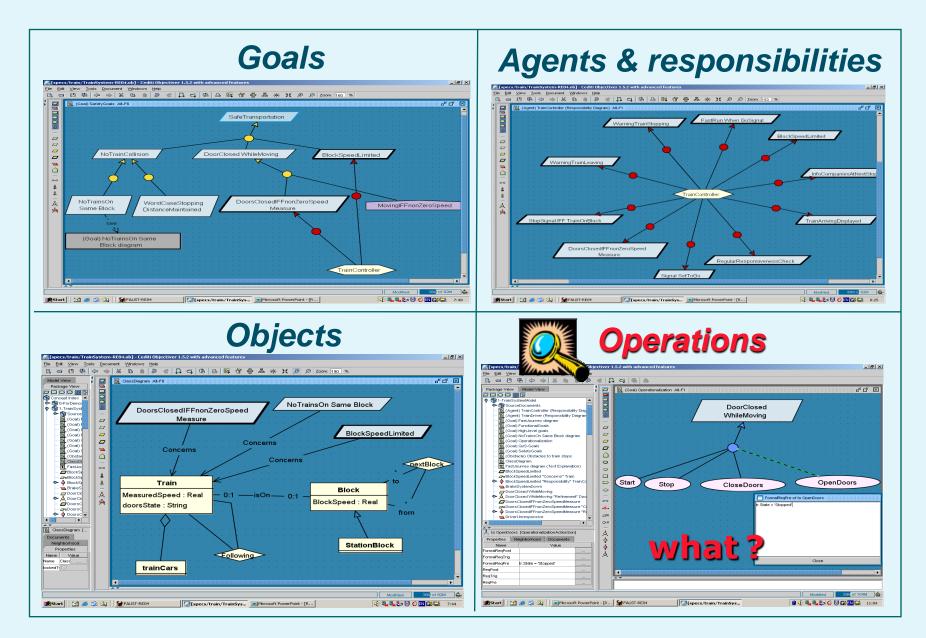
## Modeling agents: interface view

- Interface among agents = monitored/controlled state variables (attributes/relationships from object model)
- Interface view = context diagram





#### What models?



## Modeling operations

 Functional view of the system being modeled: what services are to be provided? (statics)

### Operation Op:

- relation  $Op \subseteq InputState \times OutputState$
- Op must operationalize underlying goals
- Op applications define state transitions (events) in behavioral model
- Op applications are concurrent with others
- Op is atomic: maps to state at next smallest time unit (operations with duration: use start/end events)

## Specifying operations

- Name, Def
- DomPre: condition characterizing the class of input states in the domain
- DomPost: condition characterizing the class of output states in the domain
- Links to other models:
   Operationalization (goals), Input/Output (objects),
   Performance (agent)

## Specifying operationalizations

- An operationalization of G into Op is specified by:
  - ReqPre: necessary condition on Op's input states to ensure G (permission)
  - ReqTrig: sufficient condition on Op's input states to ensure G :

requires immediate application of Op provided DomPre holds (obligation)

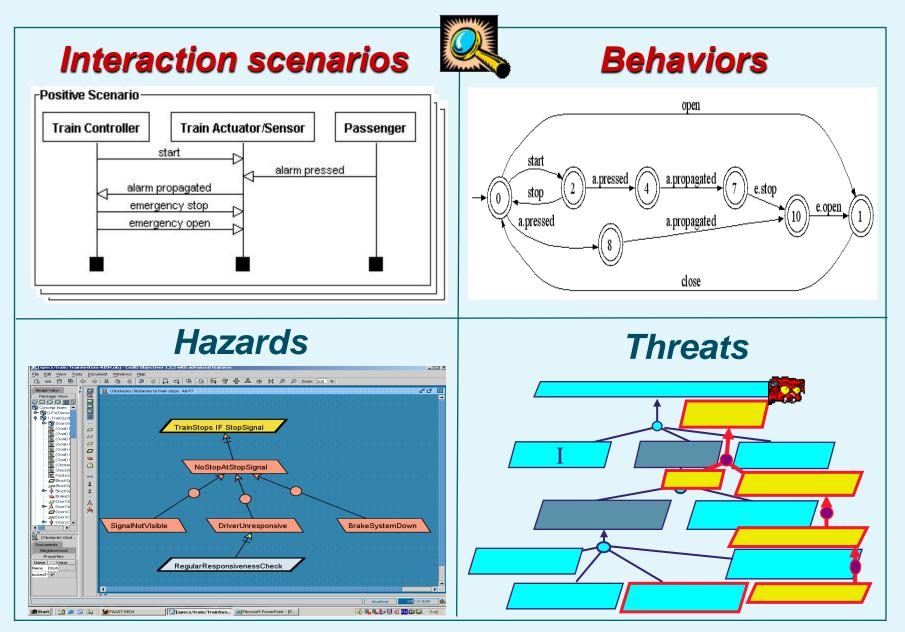
- ReqPost: condition on Op's output states to ensure G
- Consistency rule: ReqTrig  $\land$  DomPre  $\Rightarrow$  ReqPre

## Specifying operations: example

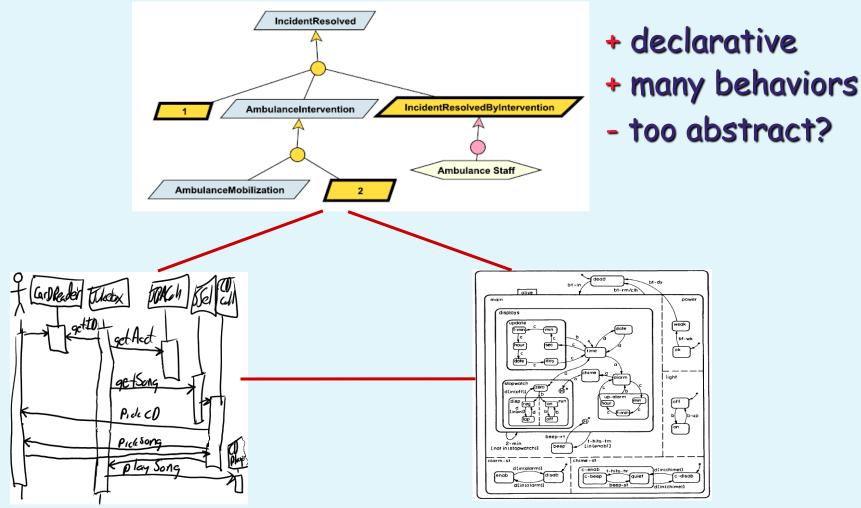
#### **Operation** ePay

**Def** Operation controlling the e-payment for an item **Input** ep: ePurse, pt: PayTerminal; **Output** ePayment **DomPre** There is no ePayment from *ep* to *pt* **DomPost** There is an ePayment from *ep* to *pt* **ReqPre For** AgreedAmountPaidIfSufficientBalance: pt.AgreedAmount  $\leq$  ep.Balance **ReqPost For** AgreedAmountPaidIfSufficientBalance: ep.Balance = • ep.Balance - pt.AgreedAmount **RegTrig For** InstantPaymentUponAgreement: The amount is agreed and the balance is sufficient

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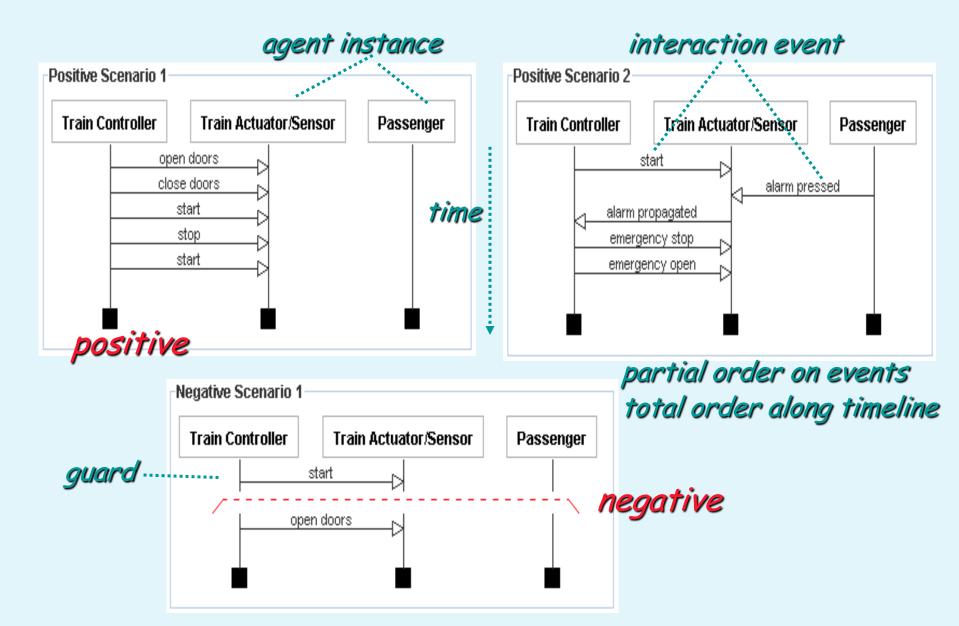
## Goals, scenarios, state machines: win-win partners



+ concrete examples
- partial, few behaviors

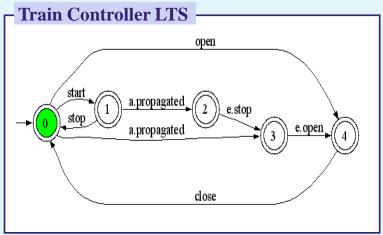
model-checkable, executable
hard to build, understand

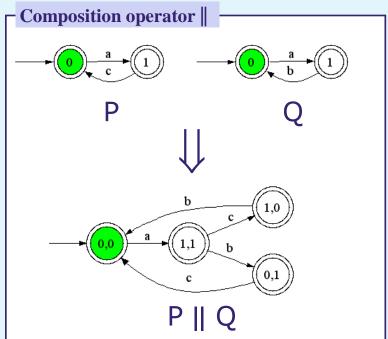
### Scenarios as simple MSCs



## Modeling behaviors with LTS

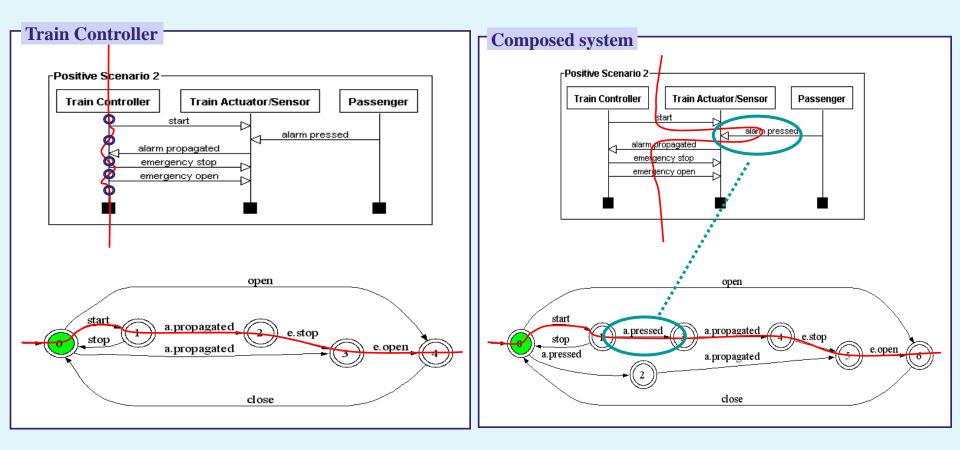
- An agent is modeled as a LTS
- System behavior = composition of agent behaviors
  - Agents behave asynchronously but synchronize on shared events
  - Composition: ||-operator





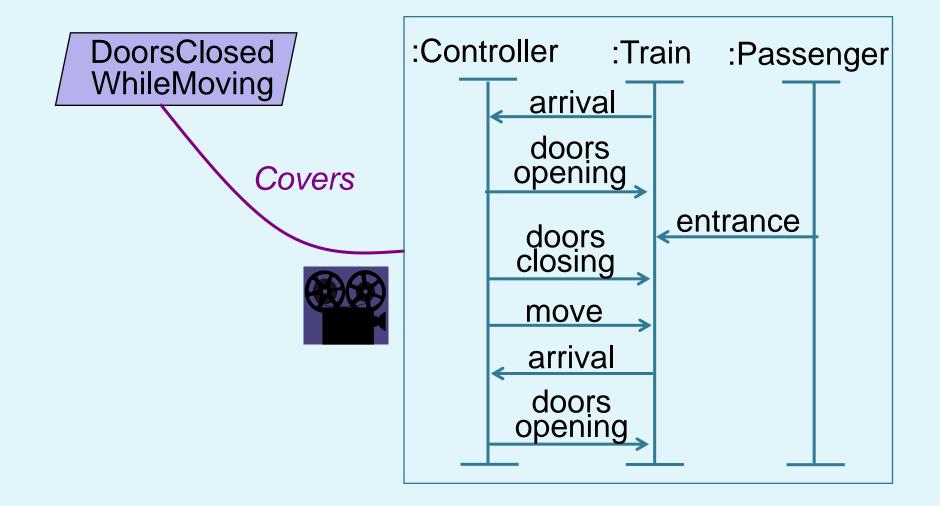
#### Scenarios vs. behavior models

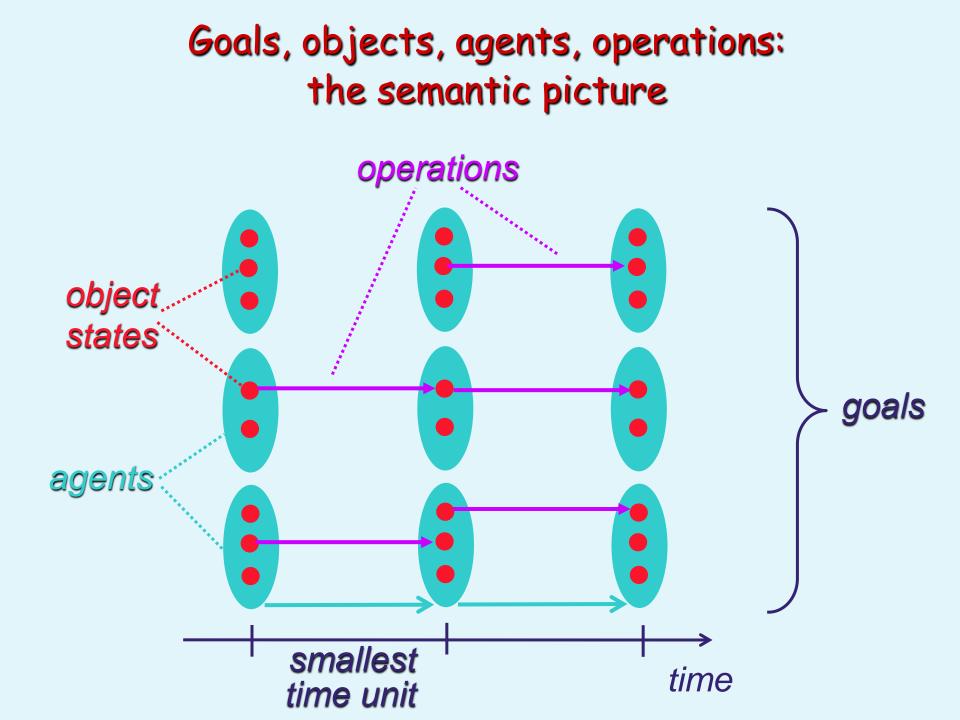
- A scenario defines paths in a behavior model
  - a path in each agent LTS
  - a path in the system's LTS (||)



### Goals vs. scenarios

### A behavioral goal prescribes a set of scenarios





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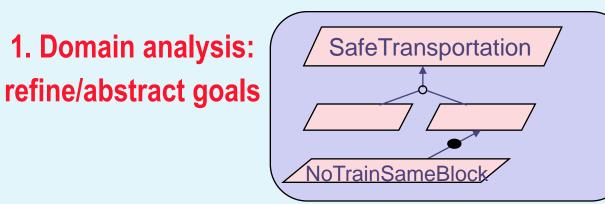
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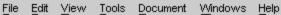


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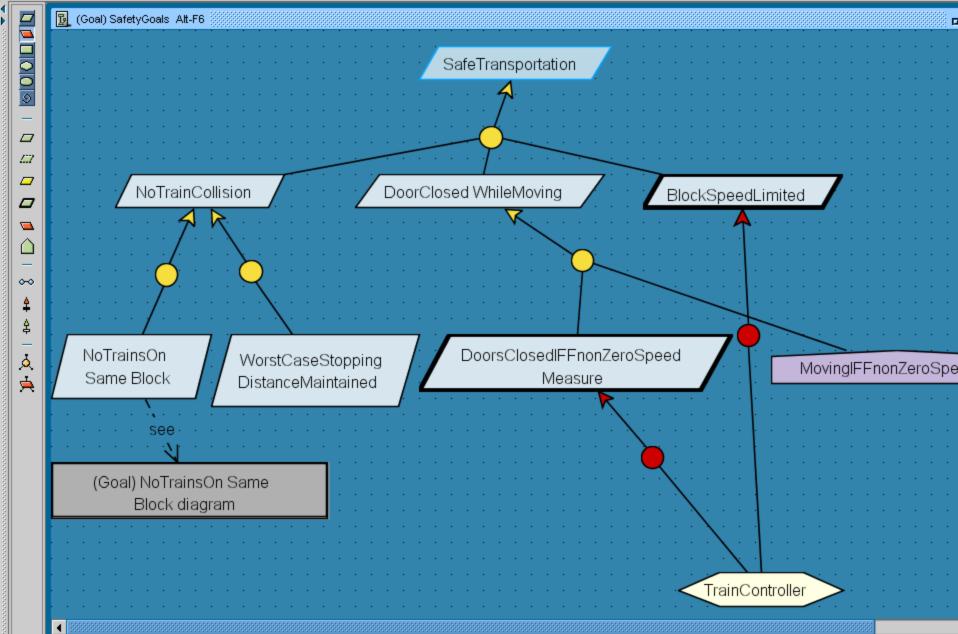
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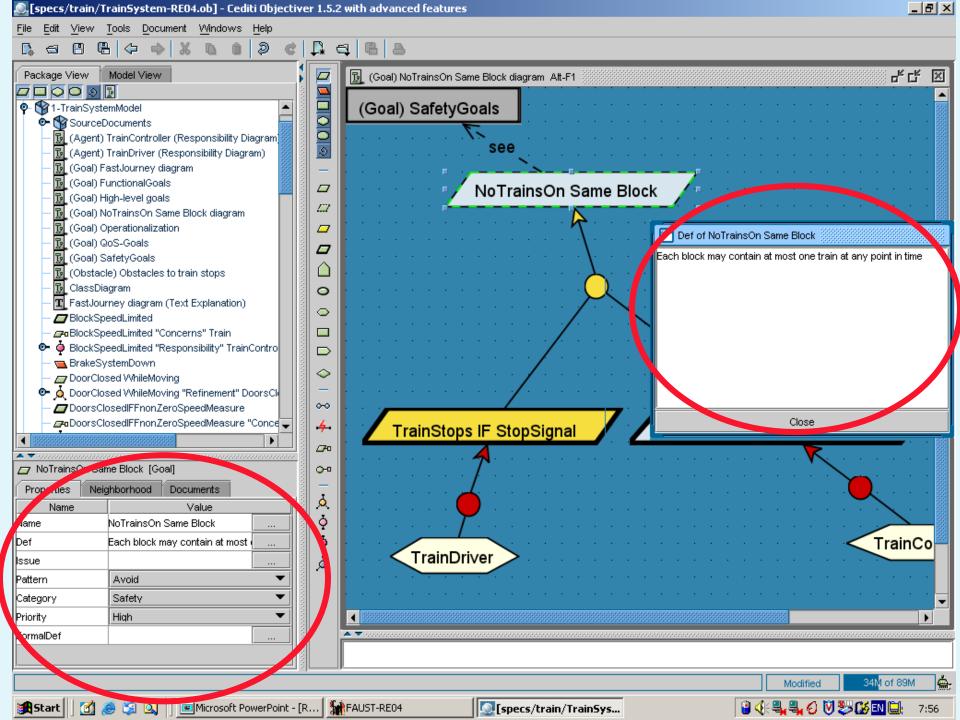






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# Building a goal model: heuristics & tips

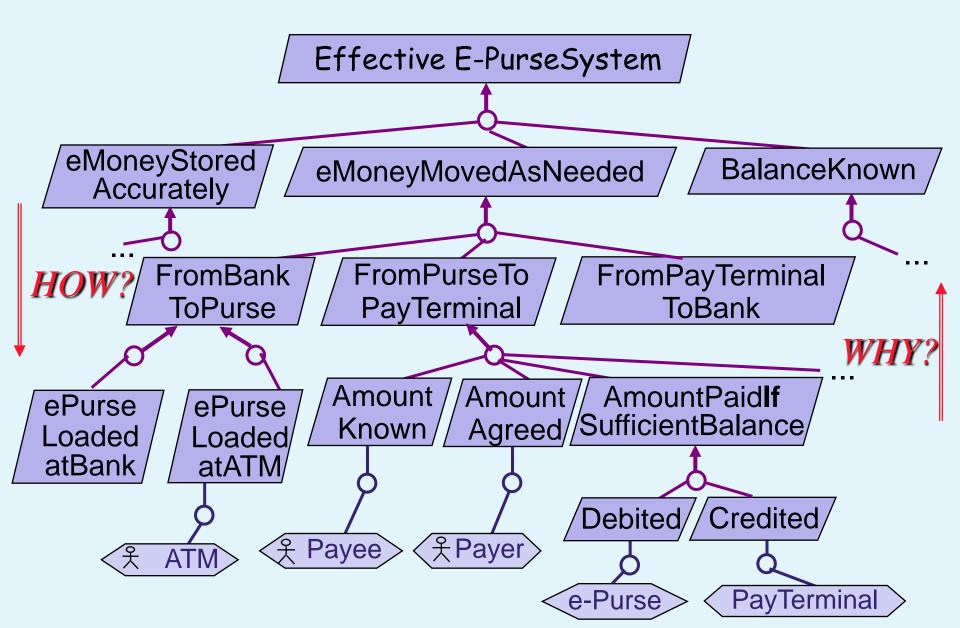
- Early discovery of goals ...
  - Analysis of system-as-is
    - $\Rightarrow$  problems, deficiencies, technology opportunities
    - $\Rightarrow$  goals of S2B: Avoid / Reduce / Improve them
  - Search for *intentional & prescriptive* keywords in documents available, interview transcripts, etc.
    - in order to, so as to, so that, ...
    - has to, must, to be, must be, shall, ensure, want, motivate, expected to, ...
    - purpose, objective, aim, concern, ...

**refinement links:** in order to X the system has to Y



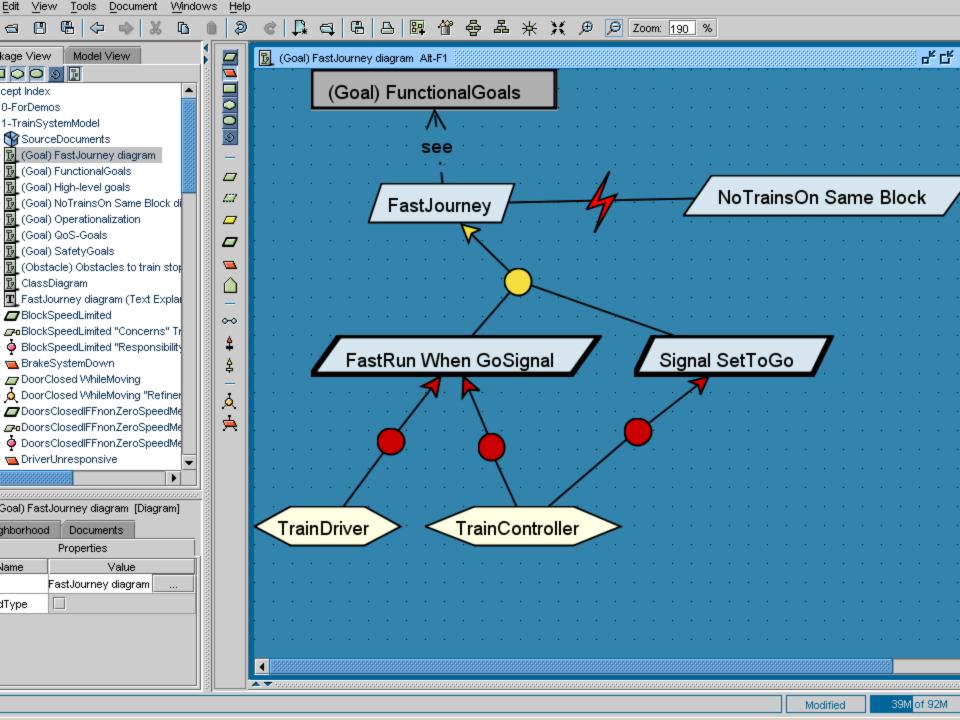
- Later discovery of goals ...
  - by abstraction (bottom-up): asking WHY? questions about... lower-level goals interaction *scenarios* other operational material available
  - by refinement (top-down):
     asking HOW? questions about goals available
  - by use of refinement patterns (cf. below)
  - by resolution of obstacles, threats, conflicts (cf. below)

## Building a goal model: HOW / WHY questions

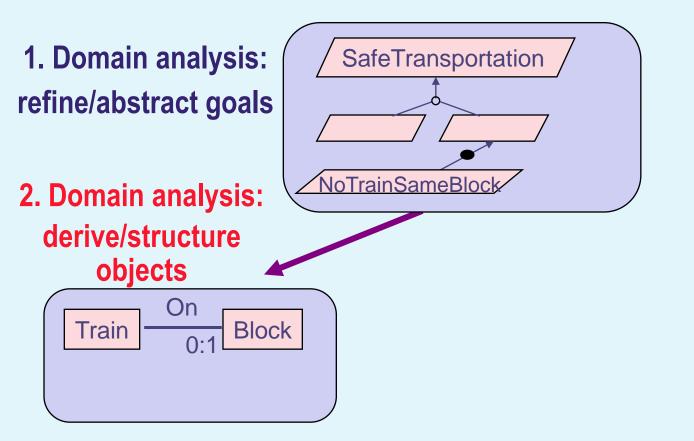




- Abstract goals ... until when ?
   ... until boundary of system capabilities is reached
  - e.g. MakePeopleHappy is beyond system's capabilities
- Refine goals ... until when ?
  - ... until assignable to single agents as ...
  - requirement (software agent)
  - expectation (environment agent)

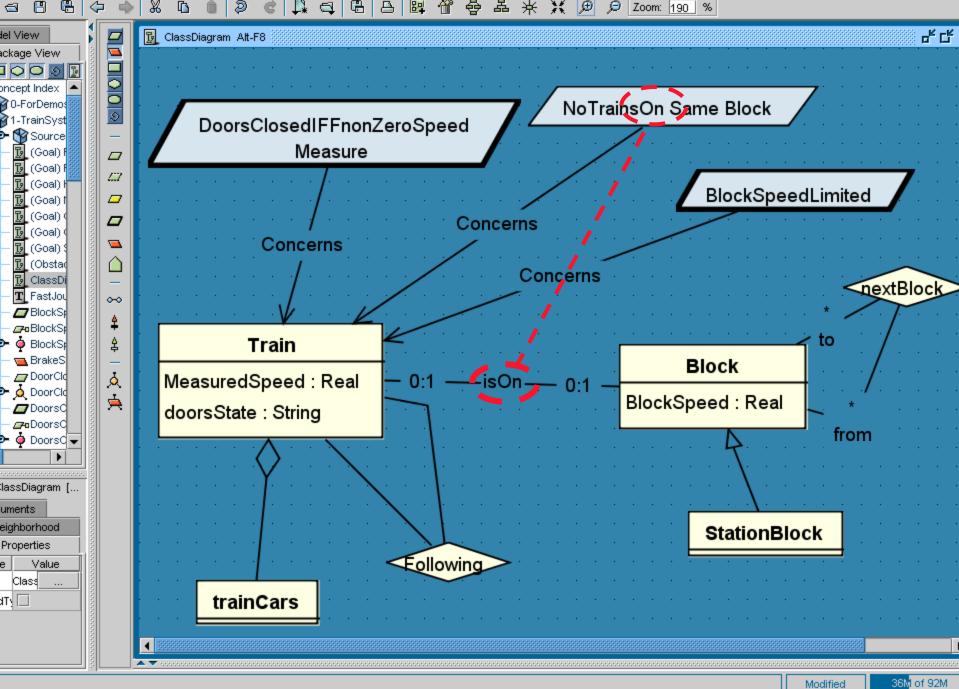


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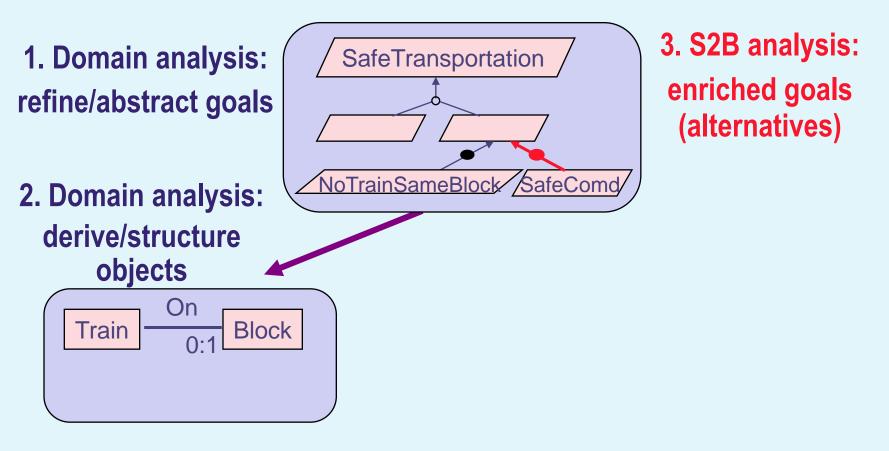
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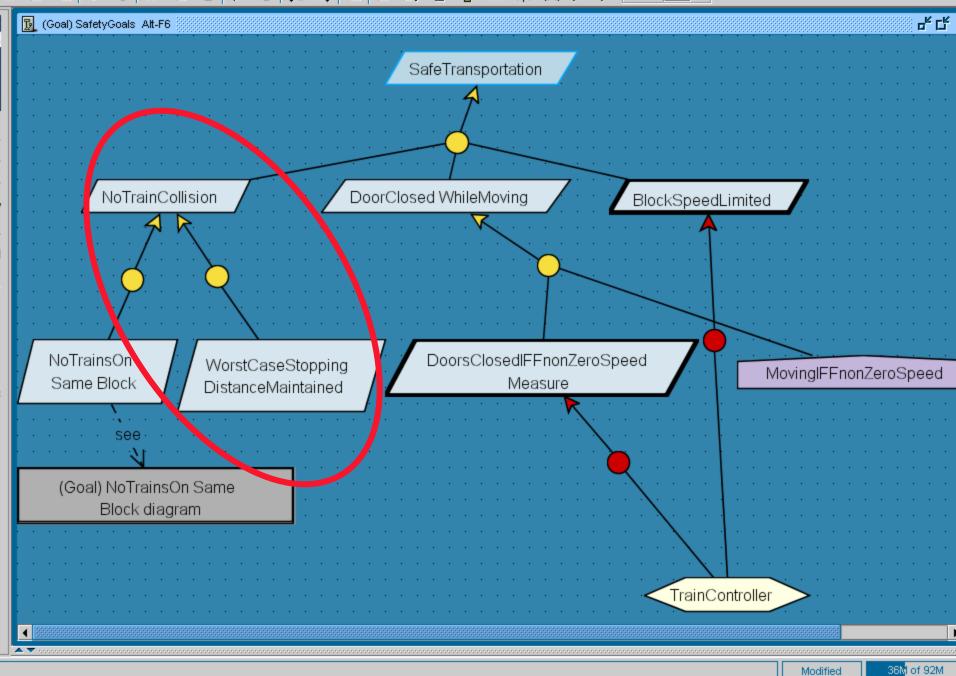


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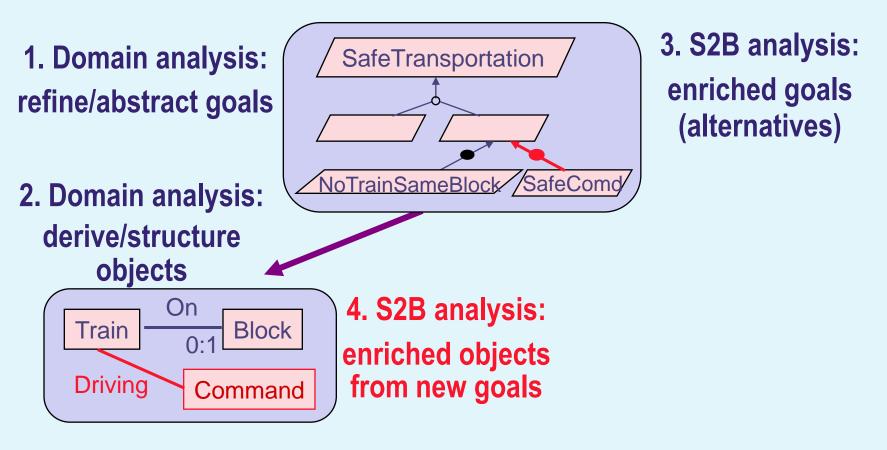
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## The object model is derivable from the goal model

Goal Maintain [BlockSpeedLimited] InformalDef A Train should stay below the max speed the block can handle FormalDef ∀ tr: Train, ts: TrackSegment On (tr, ts) ⇒ tr.Speed ≤ ts.SpeedLimit

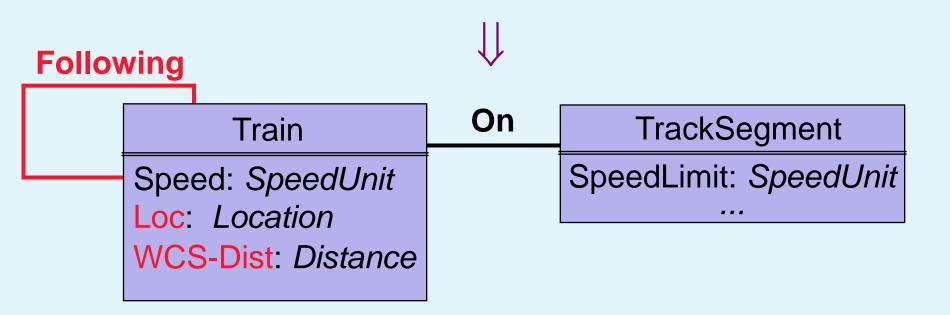
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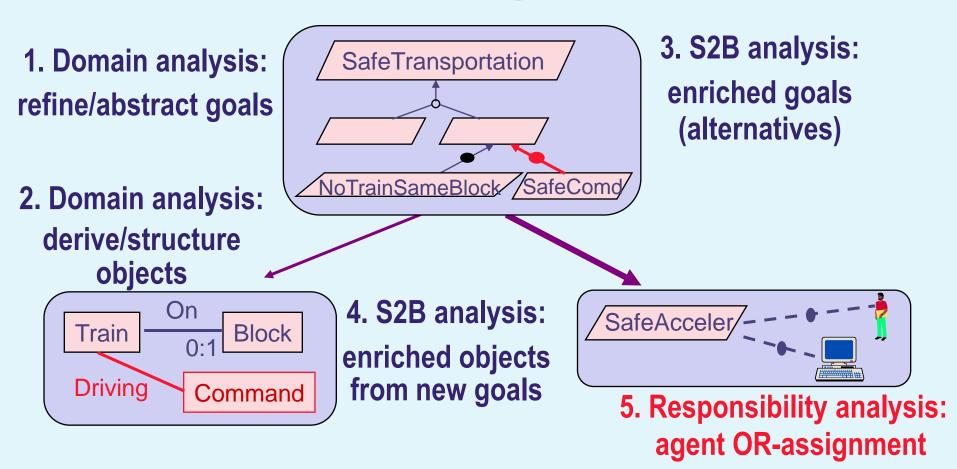
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## Object model derivation: more formally ... (2)

Goal Maintain [WC-SafeDistanceBetwTrains] InformalDef A Train should stay sufficiently far to avoid hitting the train in front in case of sudden stop FormalDef ∀ tr1, tr2: Train Following (tr1, tr2) ⇒ tr1.Loc - tr2.Loc > tr1.WCS-Dist



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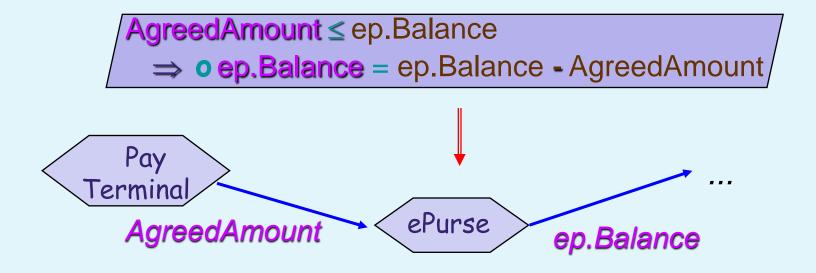
Context diagrams can be derived from goals

#### Many behavioral goals take the form

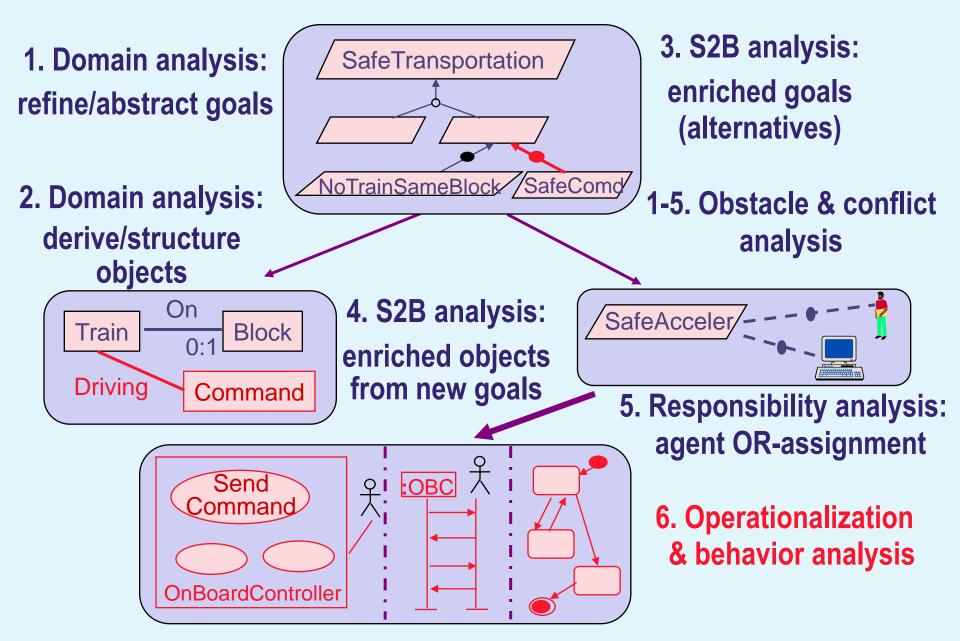
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 $\Rightarrow$  [sooner-or-later/always]

TargetCondition [controlledVariables]



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# Modeling what could go wrong: obstacle analysis

- Problem: goals are often too ideal, will be violated (unexpected or malicious agent behaviors)
- Obstacle = condition on system for goal violation
  - $\{ O, Dom \} \models \neg G \qquad obstruction \\ Dom \not \neq \neg O \qquad domain \ consistency \\ \end{tabular}$

exists system behavior S s.t. S = O *feasibility* 

- Particular cases
  - obstruction of safety goal: obstacle = hazard obstruction of security goal: obstacle = threat

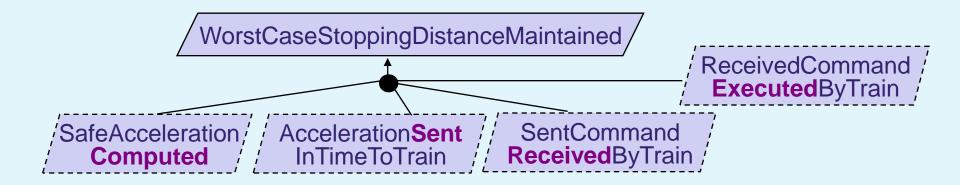


# Obstacle analysis for increased reliability & security

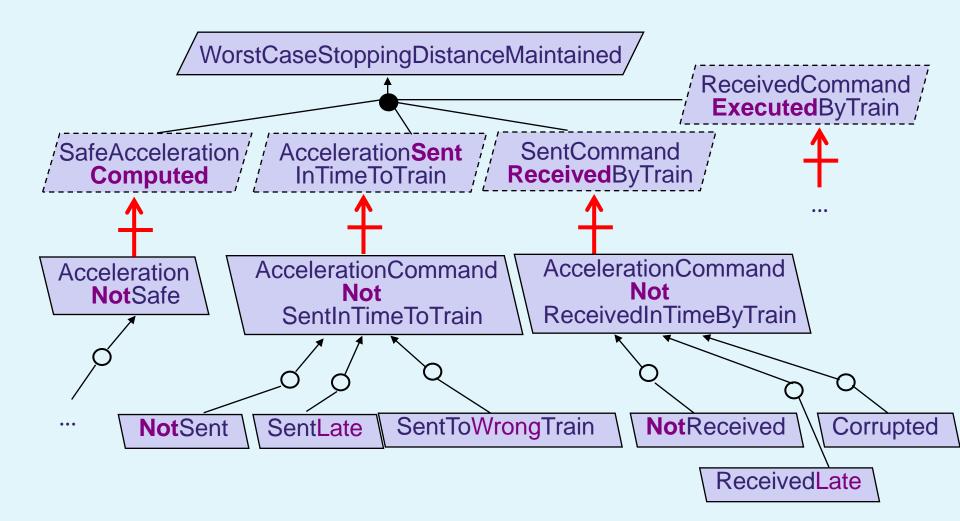
- Anticipate obstacles ...
  - ⇒ new goals (countermeasures), deidealized model
  - ⇒ more complete, realistic requirements
  - $\Rightarrow$  more robust system

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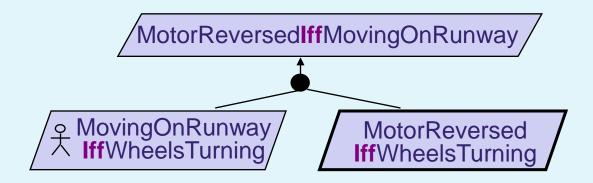
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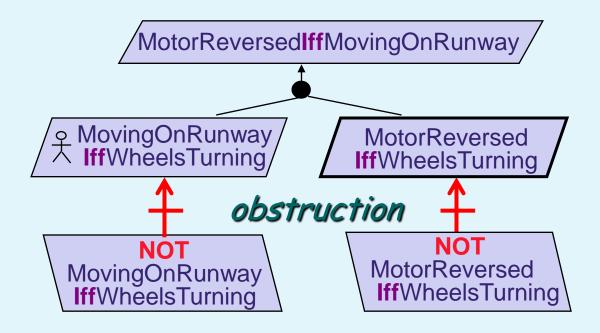
- identify as many obstacles to it as possible
- assess their likelihood & severity
- resolve them according to likelihood/severity

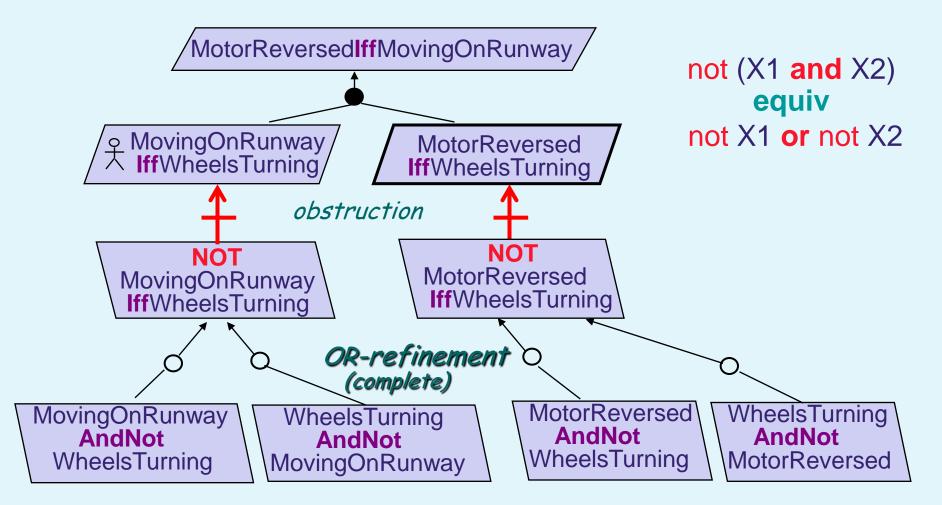


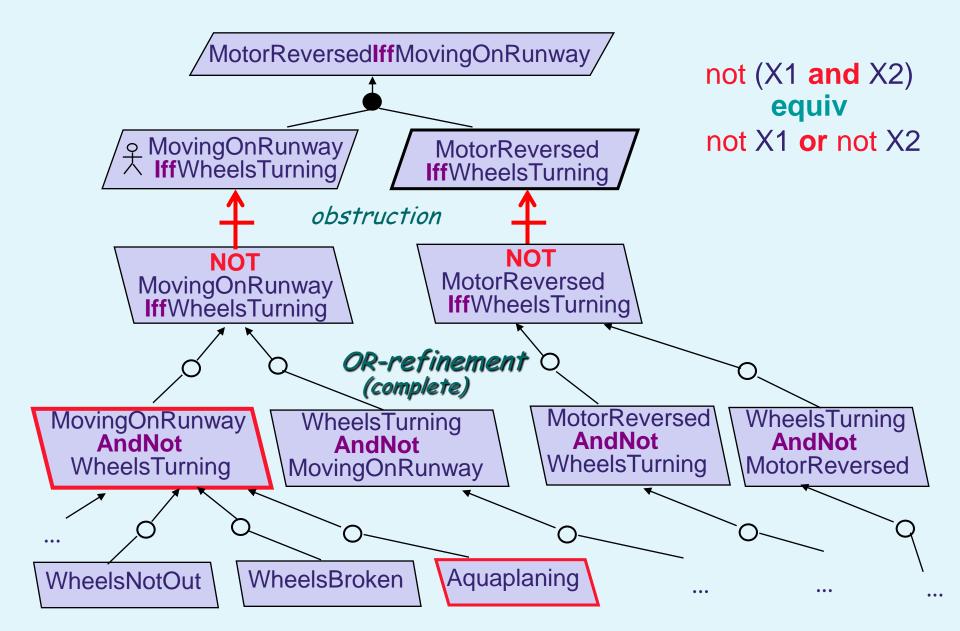
# **Obstacle identification**

- ♦ For obstacle to goal G
  - negate G;
  - find as many AND/OR refinements of ¬G as possible in view of domain properties ...
  - … until reaching obstruction preconditions that are feasible (through a system scenario)
    - = goal-anchored fault-tree construction









#### **Obstacle assessment & resolution**

- To assess likelihood & severity of identified obstacle: cfr. risk management techniques
- To resolve identified obstacle:
  - at RE time: model transformation
    - generate alternative resolutions
    - select "best" resolution based on ...
      - likelihood/severity of obstacle
      - other non-functional/quality goals
  - at run-time (for non-severe, occasional obstacles):
     obstacle monitoring, run-time resolution
     (cf. specification-based intrusion detection)

#### Generating obstacle resolutions

#### Use of model transformation operators encoding resolution tactics

 Goal substitution: consider alternative refinement of parent goal to avoid obstruction of child goal

MotorReversed Iff WheelsTurning

- → MotorReversed Iff PlaneWeightSensed
- Agent substitution: consider altern. responsibilities OnBoardTrainController → VitalStationComputer
- Goal weakening

TrafficControllerOnDutyOnSector →

TrafficControllerOnDutyOnSector **or** WarningToNextSector

### Generating obstacle resolutions (2)

- Model transformation operators (cont'd):
  - Goal restoration: enforce target condition at obstacle occurrence

ResourceNotReturnedInTime → *ReminderSent* WheeIsNotOut → *WheeIsAlarmGenerated* 

- Obstacle prevention: new Avoid goal

AccelerationCommandCorrupted

→ Avoid [AccelerationCommandCorrupted]

- Obstacle mitigation: tolerate obstacle but mitigate its effects

OutdatedSpeed/PositionEstimates

→ Avoid [TrainCollisionWhenOutDatedTrainInfo]

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## Formal reasoning about system models ...

To support more accurate analysis & derivations

- Checking refinements & operationalizations
- Generating obstacles to goals
- Generating attack graphs
- Analyzing conflicts
- Synthesizing behavior models from scenarios & goals
- Goal-oriented model animation
- Optional "button": only when & where needed

Requires formal specifications to annotate models

#### Some bits of real-time linear temporal logic

- P: P shall hold in the next state
- **P**: P shall hold in every future state
- P ₩ N: P shall hold in every future state unless N holds
- P: P shall hold in some future state
- □<sub>≤T</sub> P: P shall hold in every future state up to T time units
- $\bigvee_{\leq_T} P$ : P shall hold within T time units

+ past operators: ● P, ■ P, ♦ P, ...

$$P \Rightarrow Q: \Box (P \rightarrow Q)$$
  

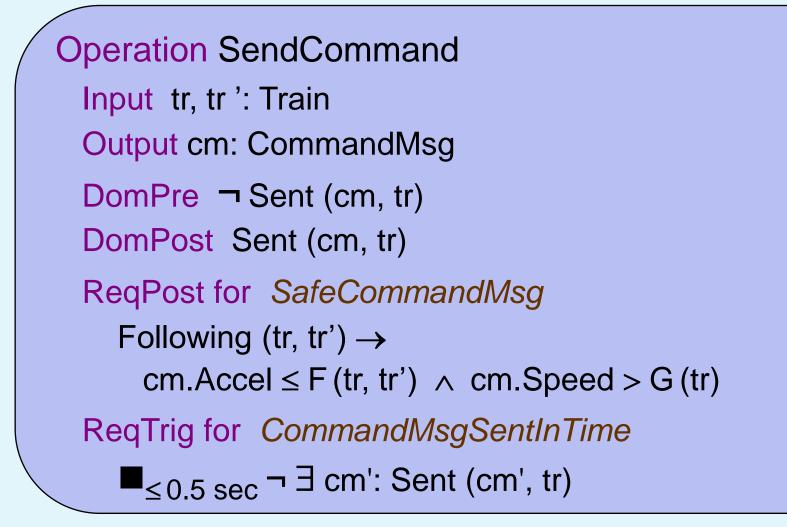
$$@ P: \bullet (\neg P) \land P$$

### Specifying goals in RT-LTL

- Goal *Maintain* [DoorsClosedUntilNextStation] FormalSpec  $\forall$  tr: Train, s: Station At (tr, st)  $\land \circ \neg$  At (tr, st)  $\Rightarrow$ tr.Doors = "closed" *W* At (tr, next(st))
- Goal Achieve [FastJourneyBetweenStations] FormalSpec ∀ tr: Train, s: Station At (tr, st) ⇒ ♦<sub>≤T</sub> At (tr, next(st))

Achieve P, Cease P Maintain P, Avoid P: goal specification patterns

#### Goal-oriented spec of operations

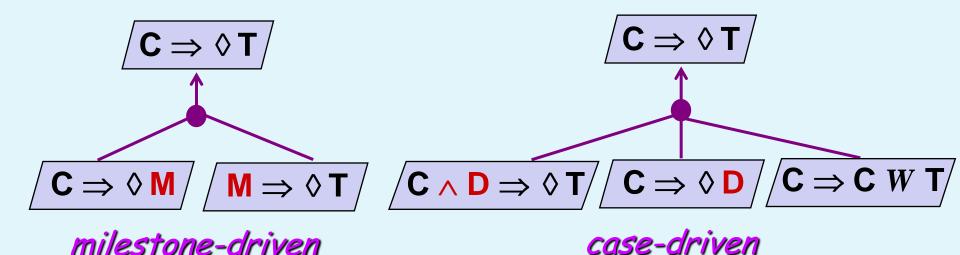


## Formal reasoning: refinement checking

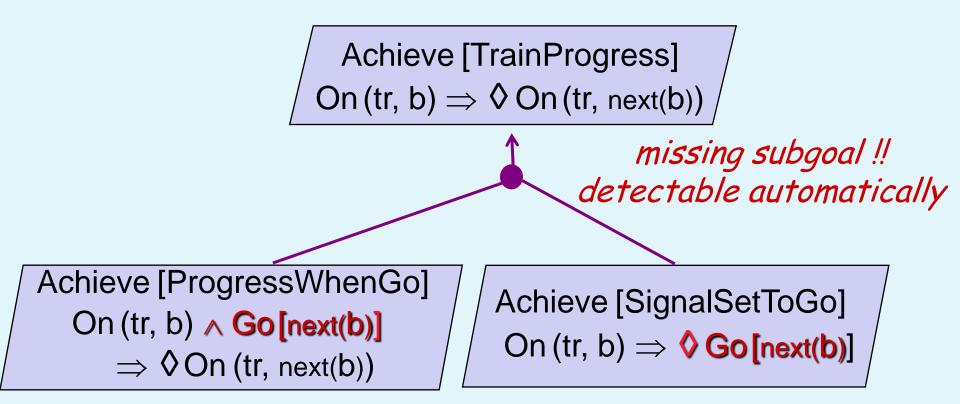
- A set of assertions {A<sub>1</sub>, ..., A<sub>n</sub>} correctly refines assertion A in domain theory Dom iff
  - $\{A_1, ..., A_n, Dom\} \models A$ completeness $\{A_1, ..., A_n, Dom\} \models false$ consistency $\{A_i, ..., A_n, Dom\} \models A$  for each  $i \in [1..n]$ minimality
- Refinement checking =
  - Check that a refinement is correct
  - If not, suggest missing sub-assertions A;
- Can be used for checking goal models, obstacle models, anti-goal models; and reveal missing subgoals, subobstacles, vulnerabilities (completeness is essential!)

## Refinement checking: using refinement patterns

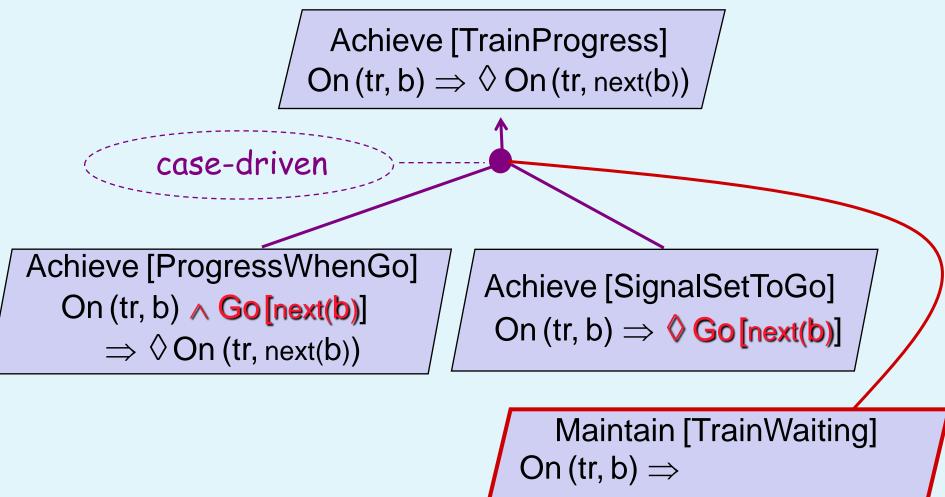
- Build catalogue of refinement patterns that encode refinement tactics
- Prove patterns formally, once for all
- Reuse through instantiation, in matching situation
- Some frequent patterns:



### Checking a goal refinement with patterns

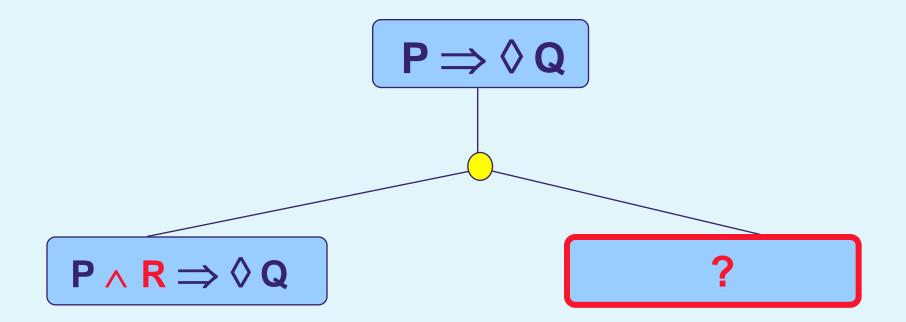


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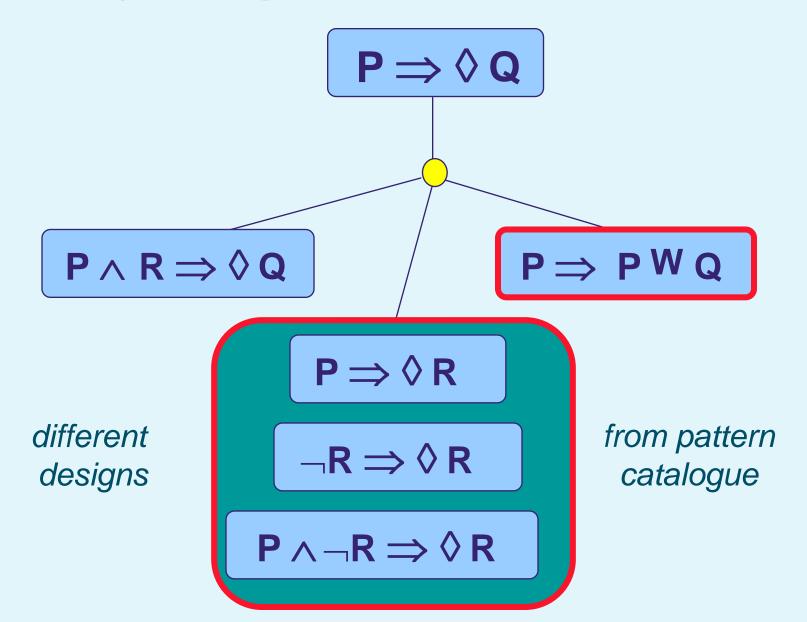


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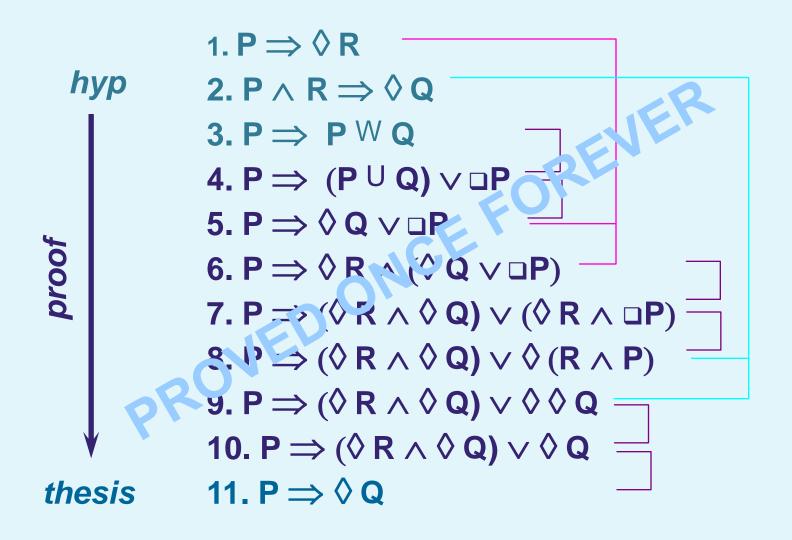
#### Patterns provide guidance in formal refinement



#### Patterns provide guidance in formal refinement (2)



#### Use formal pattern => reuse formal proof

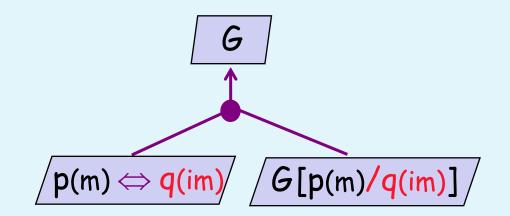


# Resolving goal unrealizability: the *Introduce Accuracy goal* pattern

♦ WHEN:

agent ag cannot monitor variable m to realize G [m]

- WHAT:
  - introduce monitorable image im of m
  - generate refinement :

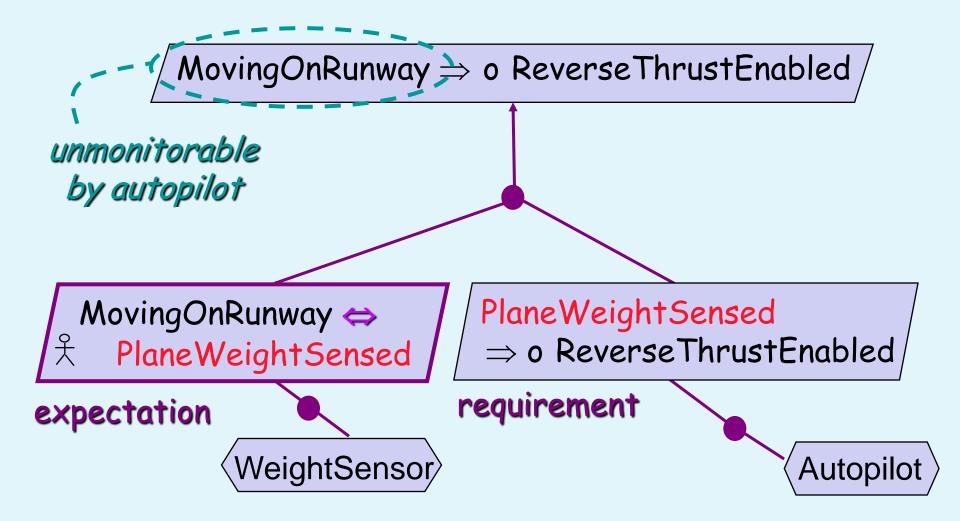


### Generating refinements & assignments

Introduce Accuracy goal: example

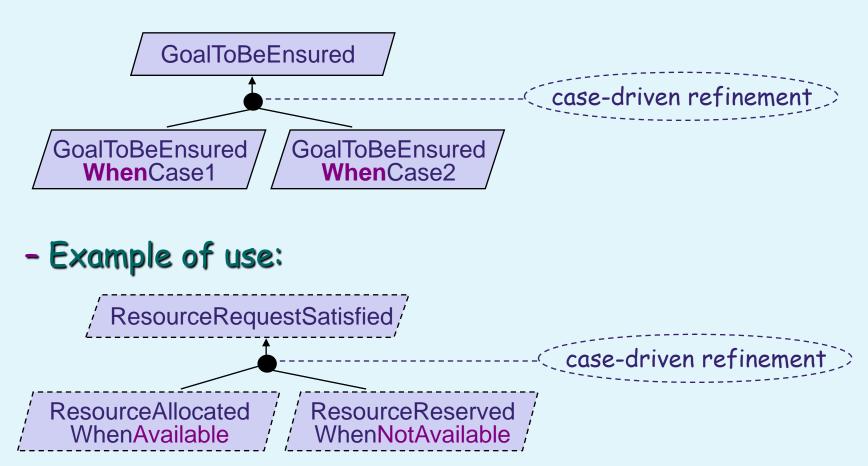
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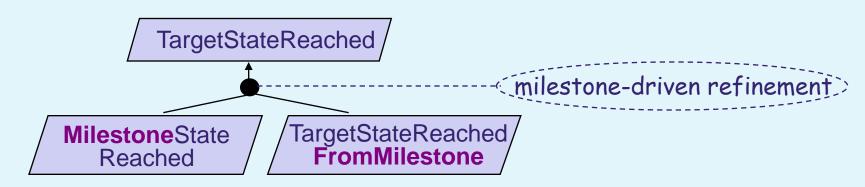
# Formal refinement patterns can be used informally

- Refinement by case
  - Applicable when goal achievement space can be partitioned into cases

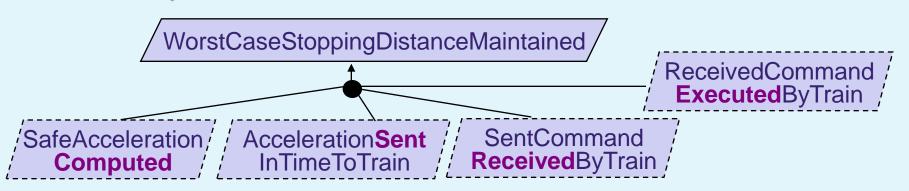


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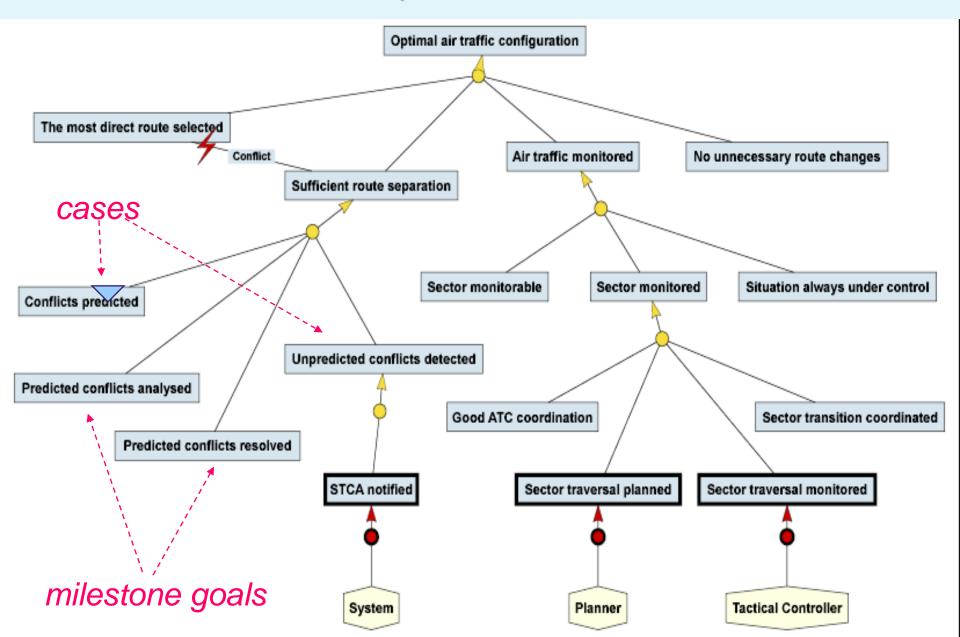
- Refinement by milestone
  - Applicable when *milestone states* can be identified on the way to the goal's target condition



- Example of use:

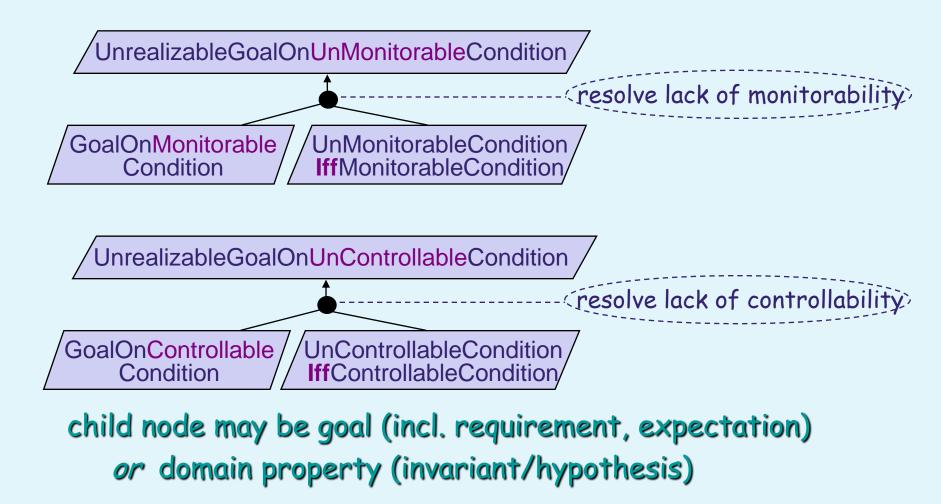


### Informal use of patterns can reveal errors



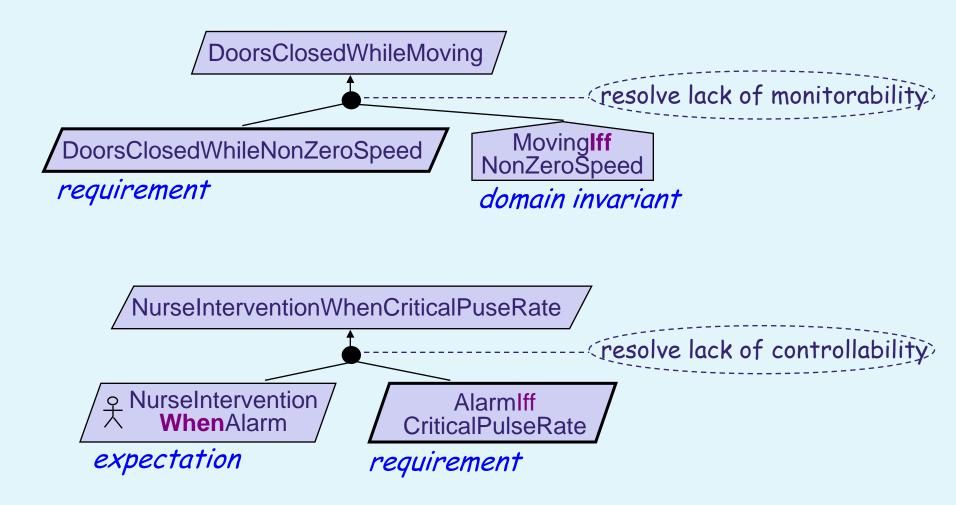
#### Formal patterns can be used informally (3)

#### Refinement towards goal realizability



### Formal patterns can be used informally (4)

#### Refinement towards goal realizability: example of use



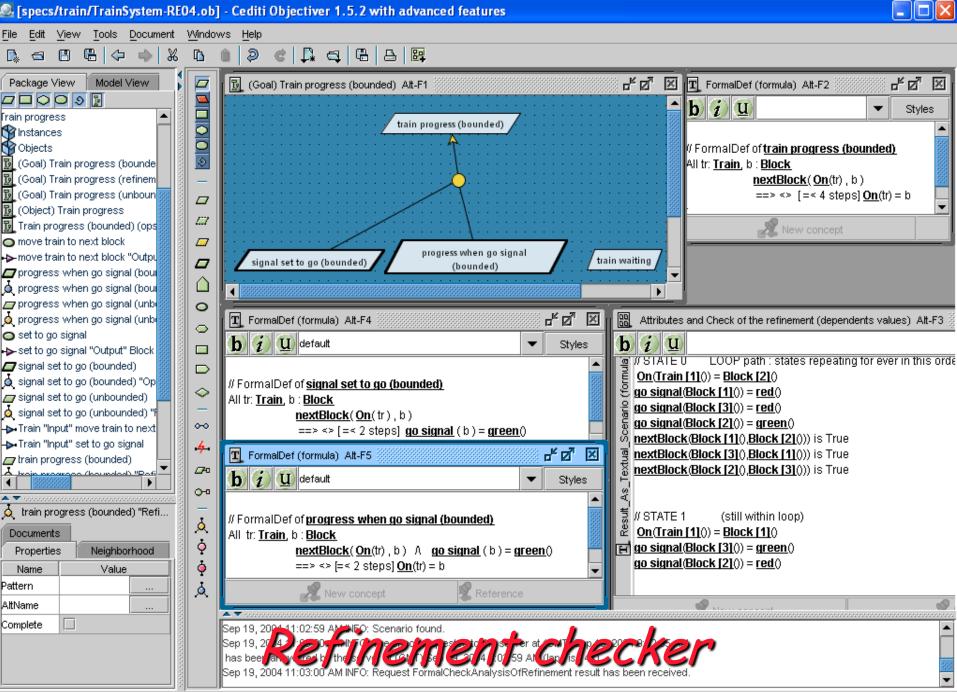
# Refinement checking: roundtrip use of bounded SAT solver

- Incremental check/debug of model fragments
- On selected object instances (propositionalization)
- With bounded traces (to be given)
- Ouput:

OK (no counterexample found within trace bound) KO + counter-example scenario satisfying

 $G_1 \wedge ... \wedge G_n \wedge \text{Dom} \wedge \neg G$ 

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# Formal reasoning: abductive generation of obstacles

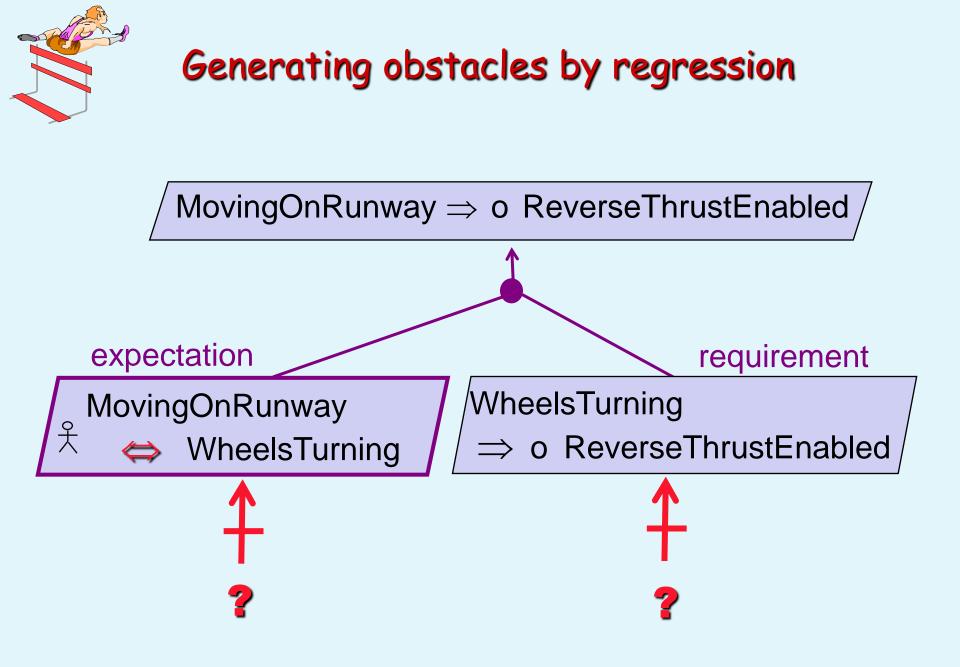
#### Aim: Find Osuch that

 $O, Dom | - \neg G , Dom | \neq \neg O$ 

# Approach 1: Use precondition calculus to get ¬ G from Dom

= regression of goal negation through domain theory

#### Approach 2: Use formal obstruction patterns



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i.e. Aquaplaning  $\Rightarrow \neg$  WheelsTurning

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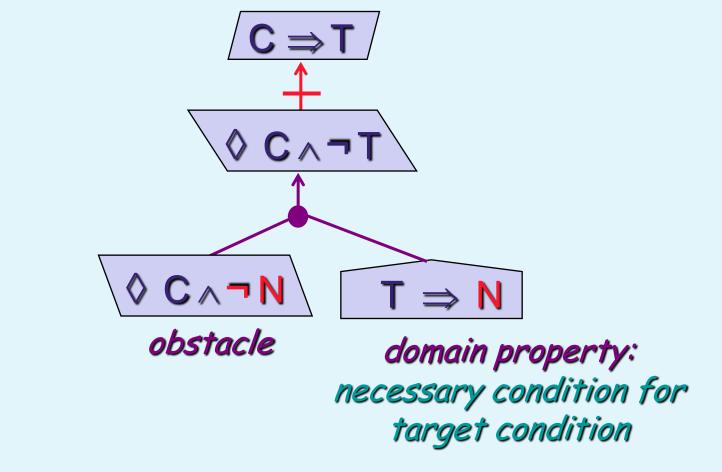
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- $\rightarrow$  RHS unifiable:
  - MovingOnRunway ^ Aquaplaning

Warsaw obstacle

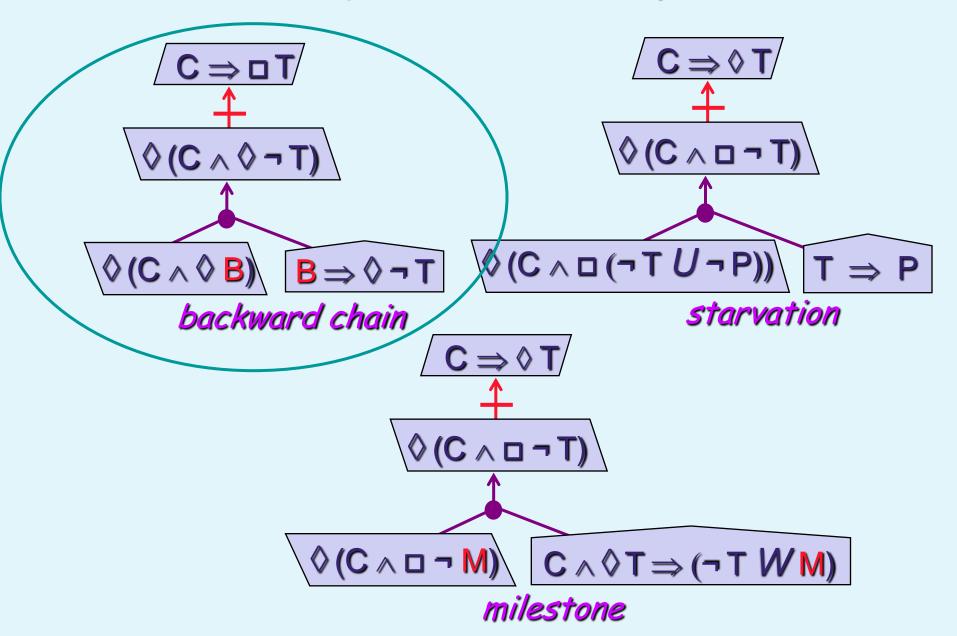
#### ... or use formal obstruction patterns

Very frequent pattern, used in this example:

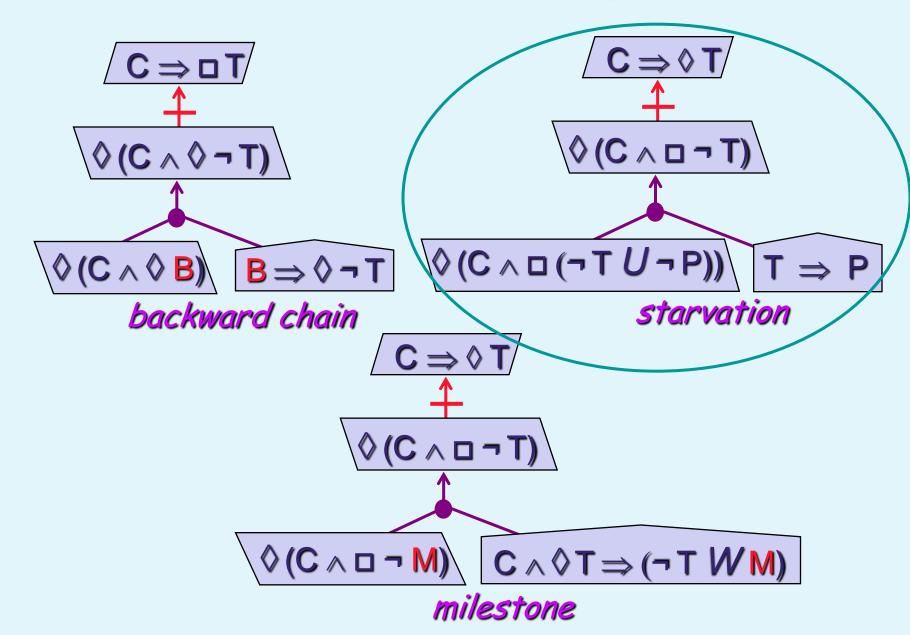


Can be used to elicit domain properties as well

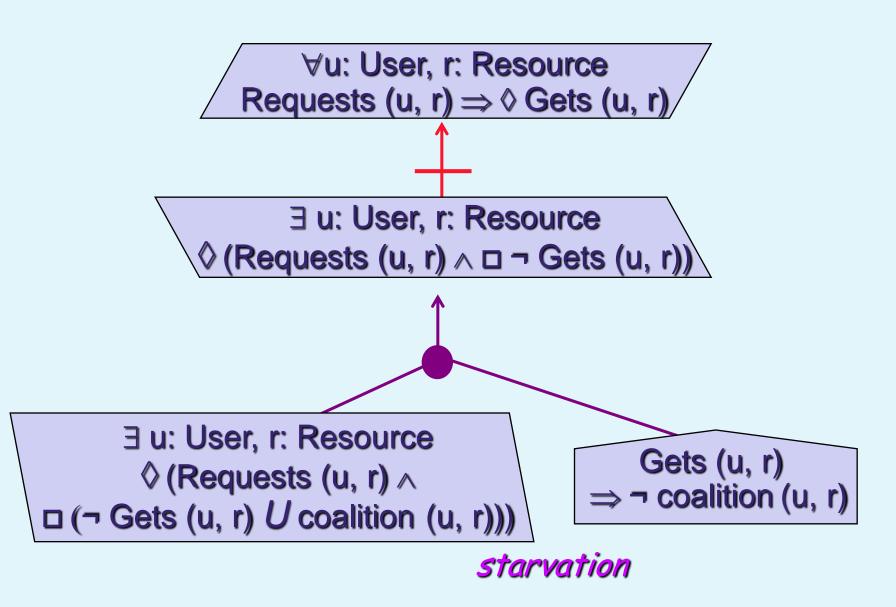
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#### Example of pattern instantiation



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#### Application-level security

- Application is secure iff meets security goals
- Security goal refers to environment assets to be protected against <u>un</u>desired behaviors
  - Confidentiality, integrity, availability, privacy, accountability, non-repudiation, ...
- Threat = obstacle to security goal
- Security countermeasure = obstacle resolution

#### Specification patterns for security goals

#### Confidentiality goals

Avoid [SensitiveInfoKnownByUnauthorizedAgent] Vag: Agent, ob: Object

– Authorized (ag, ob.Info)  $\Rightarrow$  – KnowsV<sub>ag</sub> (ob.info)

 Other patterns for privacy, availability, integrity, authentication, non-repudiation, ...

#### Application-specific instantiation of security goal patterns

# Goal Avoid [SensitiveInfoKnownByUnauthorizedAgent] Vag: Agent, ob: Object

 $\neg$  Authorized (ag, ob.Info)  $\Rightarrow \neg$  KnowsV<sub>ag</sub> (ob.info)

#### ↓ Web banking services

#### Object / Account [#, PIN]

Authorized (ag, acc) = |

Owner (ag, acc) ∨ Proxy (ag, acc) ∨ Manager (ag, acc)

Goal Avoid [PaymentMediumKnownBy3rdParty]

- ∀p: Person, acc: Account
- $\neg [Owner (p, acc) \lor Proxy (p, acc) \lor Manager (p, acc)]$  $\Rightarrow \neg [KnowsV (acc Acc#) \land KnowsV (acc PTN)]$

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## Further patterns for confidentiality goals

- Two dimensions of confidentiality:
  - Degree of approximate knowledge to be kept confidential
  - Timing along which knowledge should be kept confidential
- Pattern catalogue
  - Provides standard specification patterns
  - Hides complicate formulas

#### Specification patterns for confidentiality goals

|                        | deg | ree | of |            |       |       |        |
|------------------------|-----|-----|----|------------|-------|-------|--------|
| Timing Of<br>Knowledge | val | lb  | ub | betw       | full  | Val   |        |
| Now                    |     |     |    |            |       |       |        |
| upTo                   |     | Г   |    | <i>c</i> . |       |       |        |
| Unless                 |     |     |    | -conti     | denti | al-to | orever |
| Until                  |     |     |    |            |       |       |        |
| forever                |     |     |    |            |       |       |        |

Zooming on some patterns...

#### Specification patterns: a sample

Fully confidential value Full-Confidential<sub>aq</sub>(x) =  $\forall v \in ran(x): \neg Knows_{aq}(x \neq v)$ Confidential forever **Y-Confidential-forever**<sub>aq</sub>( $\mathbf{x}$ ) =  $\forall w: x = w \rightarrow \Box$  Y-Confidential<sub>ag</sub>(x) with  $Y \in \{val, lb, ub, betw, full\}$ Specification by pattern instantiation: ∀ ep: ePurse, ag: Agent  $\neg$  Owns(ag, ep)  $\land$  ag  $\neq$  ep  $\Rightarrow$  full-Confidential-forever<sub>ag</sub>(ep.balance)

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#### Threat analysis: unintentional vs. intentional threats

- Unintentional threat: inadvertent violation of security goal
  - Handled by obstacle analysis on security leaf goals
  - E.g. accidental disclosure of confidential information
- Intentional threat: proactive violation of security goal by exploitation of unprotected data & system knowledge acquired through malicious behaviors, calculations, deductive inference, etc.
  - Handled by obstacle analysis augmented with malicious agents, their anti-goals, and their capabilities
  - E.g. E-shopping: Achieve[ItemReceivedAndNotPaid]

#### Intentional threats require an *anti*-model

- The scope of the environment is extended to include malicious agents ("attackers")
  - human insiders or outsiders of the original system, tools, fake devices, ...
- Anti-goal = malicious obstacle to satisfy attacker's objectives (and break security goals)
- Anti-model = model linking anti-goals against a goal model

Intentional threats require an *anti*-model (2)

An anti-model is a dual model ...

- the software is now part of the attacker's environment
- domain properties include software vulnerabilities
- Threat graph = refinement graph showing a plan ...
  - to achieve some anti-goal
  - in view of the attacker's capabilities

#### Analyzing intentional threats: attacker's capabilities

- Capabilities = two sets of conditions:
  - conditions that are monitorable by the attacker
  - conditions that are controllable by the attacker

e.g. e-shopping: ItemPaidByCustomer,

PaymentNotificationReceivedBySeller

- Most Knowledgeable Attacker (MKA):
  - Knows the goal model, the domain properties used in it, and the operation model
  - Trivially satisfied as attacker at RE time is the modeller looking for missing countermeasures
  - *Worst-case* threat analysis is desirable for complete exploration of security countermeasures

#### Threat analysis for intentional threats

#### Build threat graphs from anti-goals:

- Get initial anti-goals to be refined/abstracted --e.g., from negations of application-specific security goal
- Identify attackers wishing them, their capabilities
- Build anti-goal refinement/abstraction graphs until reaching conditions that are realizable by the attackers (monitorable or controllable)

 Derive new security goals as countermeasures to counter the leaf anti-goals in threat graphs

#### Step 1: Get initial anti-goals

- Negate security goal instantiation to applicationspecific "sensitive" objects ...
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# Step 2: Identify attackers wishing anti-goals

#### For each initial anti-goal: - ask WHO might benefit from it - use of attacker taxonomies Anti-Goal Achieve[PaymentMediumKnownBy3rdParty] Insiders: Bank QA team Organization-specific agents Thieves Outsiders: Hackers Terrorists, ...



# Step 3: Build threat graph

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  - Informally: by use of refinement patterns or by WHY/HOW questions

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- $\downarrow$  dom prop as sufficient condition ?
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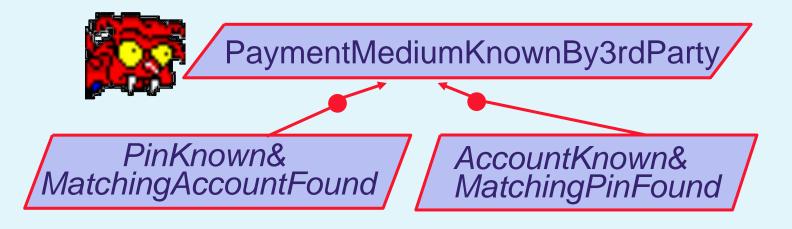
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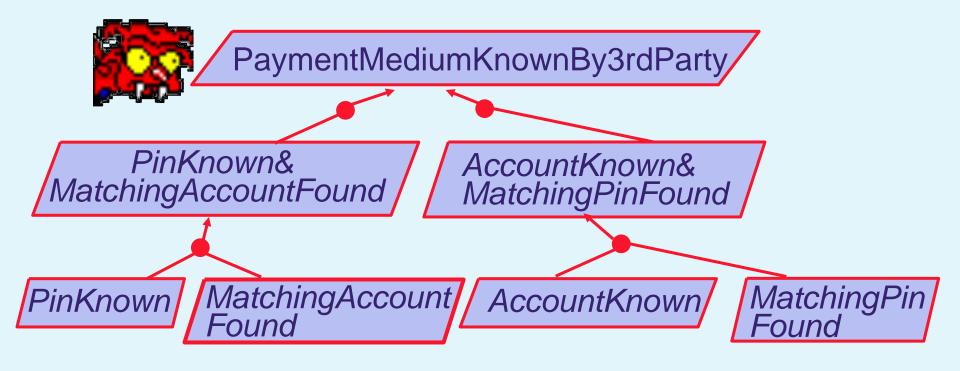
# Build threat graph: refine until ...

- ... terminal conditions are reached ...
  - anti-requirements *realizable* in terms of attacker's capabilities
  - vulnerabilities of attackee
     properties of anti-domain

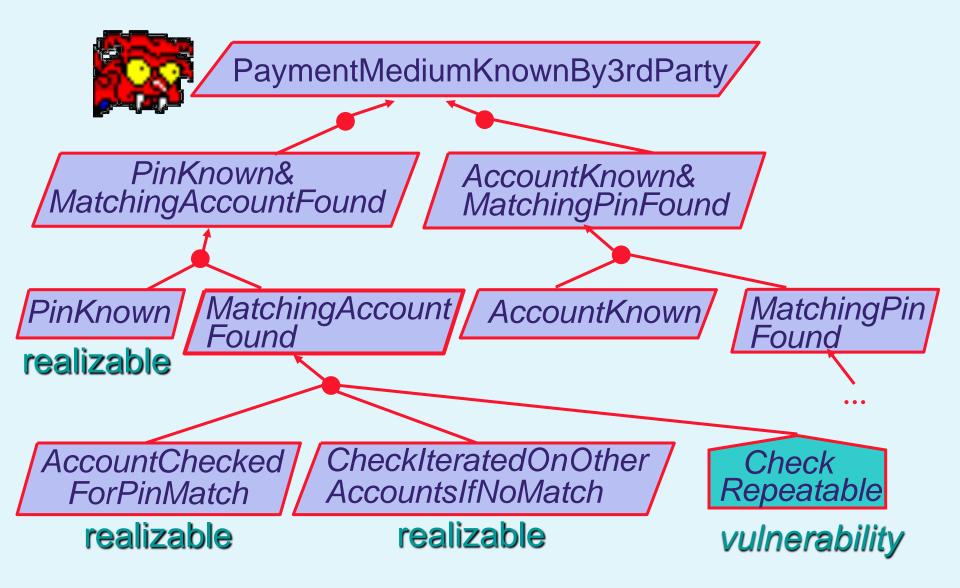
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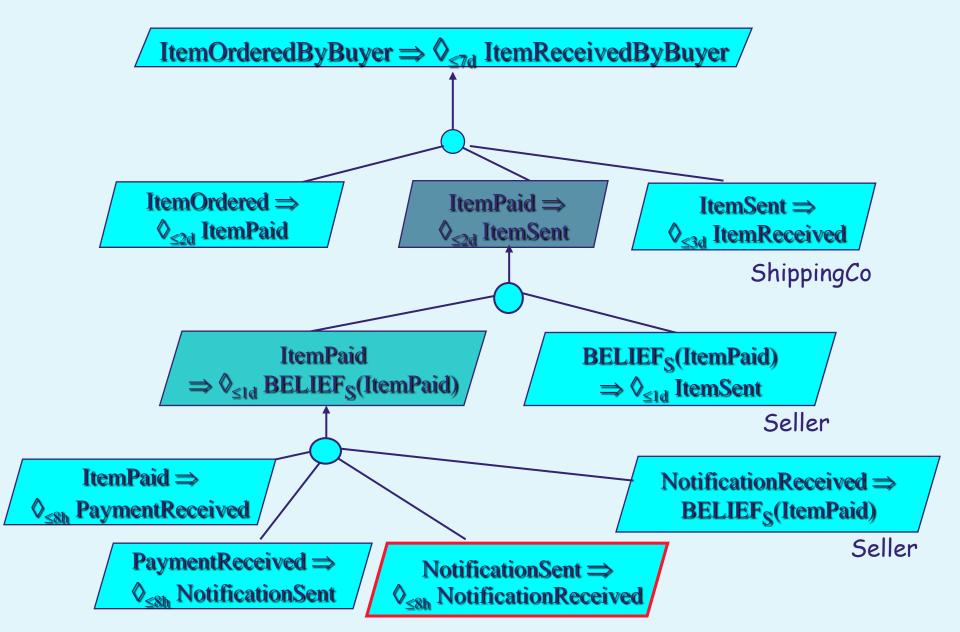
## **Deriving countermeasures**

- New security goals obtained by application of resolution operators, e.g.
  - Avoid [anti-goal]:

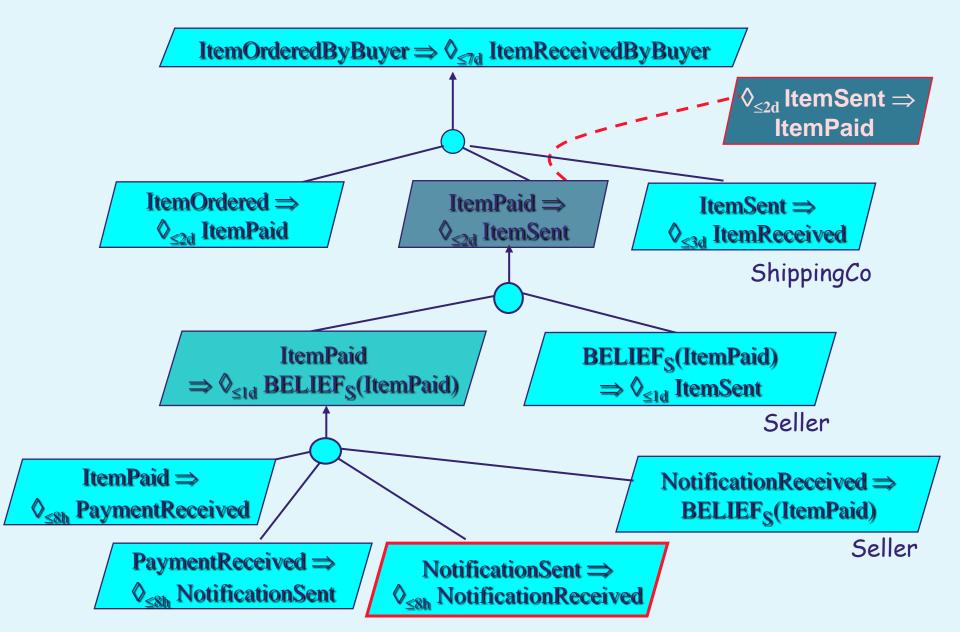
Avoid [AccountCheckRepeatableFromPin] Avoid [PinCheckRepeatableFromAccount]

- Make vulnerability condition unmonitorable by attacker
- Make anti-requirement uncontrollable by attacker
- To be further refined along alternative OR-branches in the updated goal model

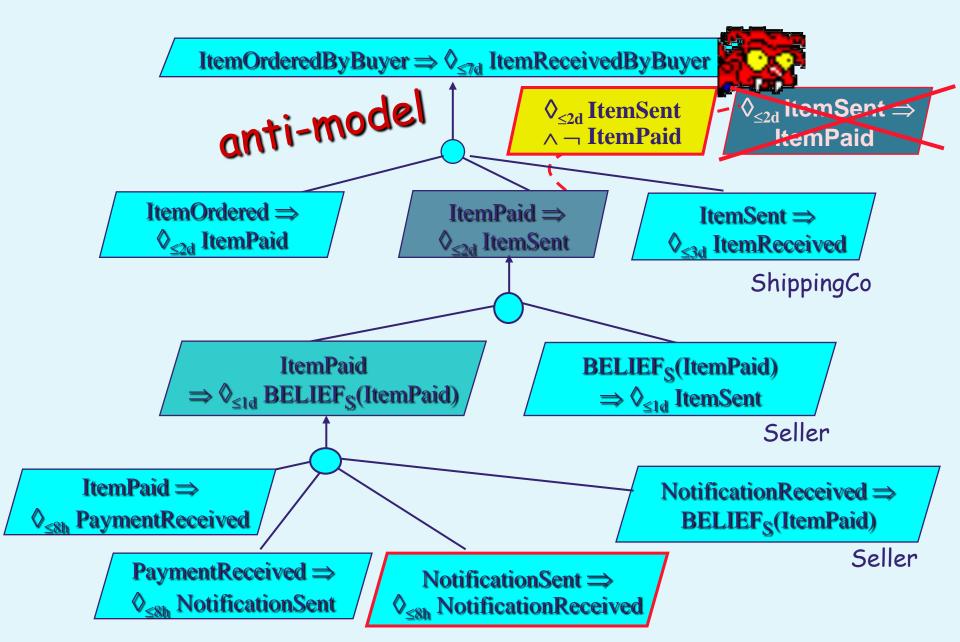
## Online shopping: functional goals



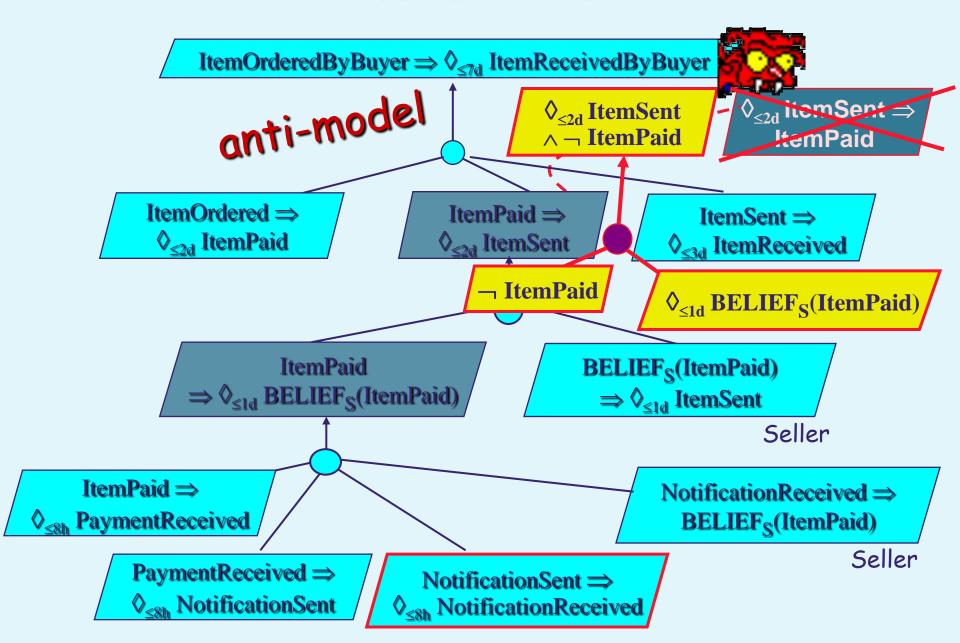
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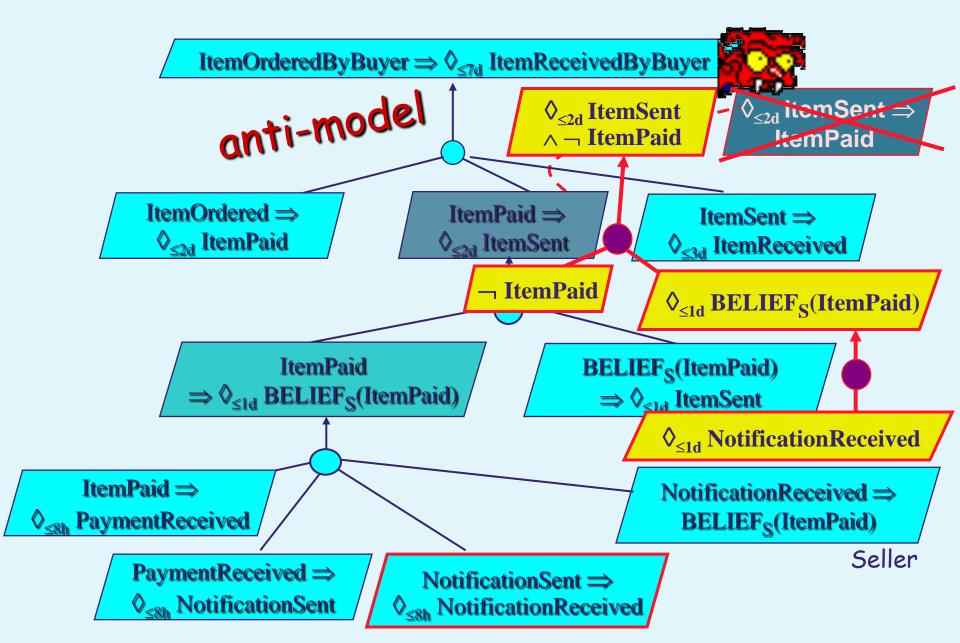
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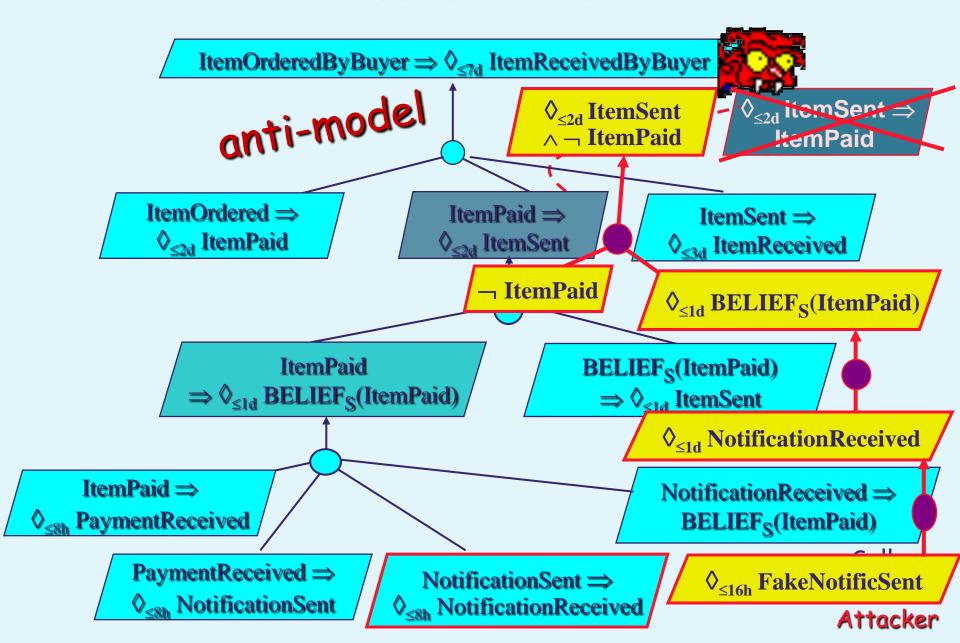
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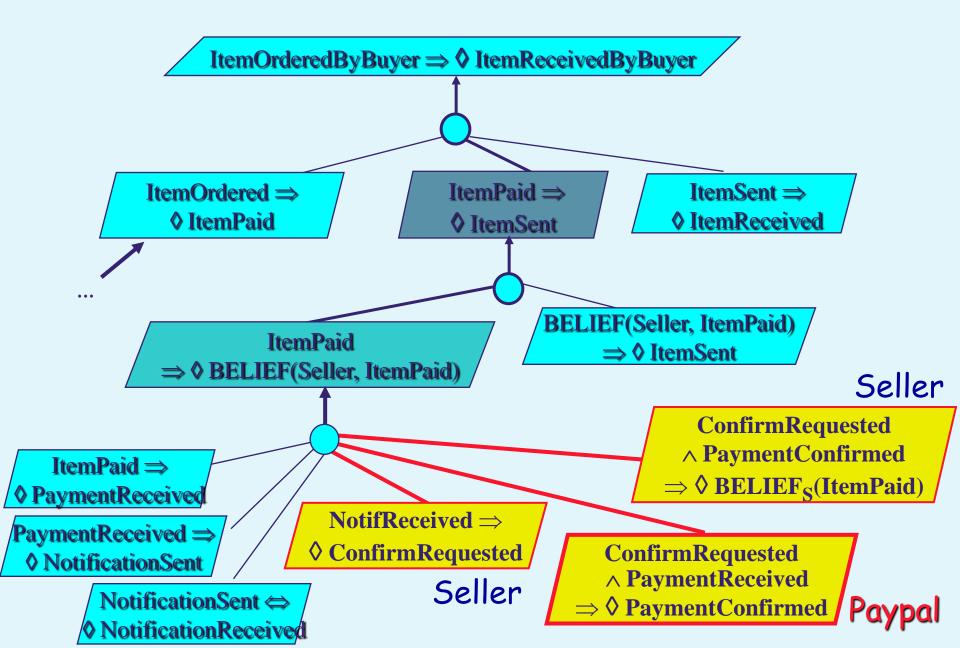
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### Online shopping: goal model with countermeasures





## **Application:**

Security of Aircraft in the Future European Environment

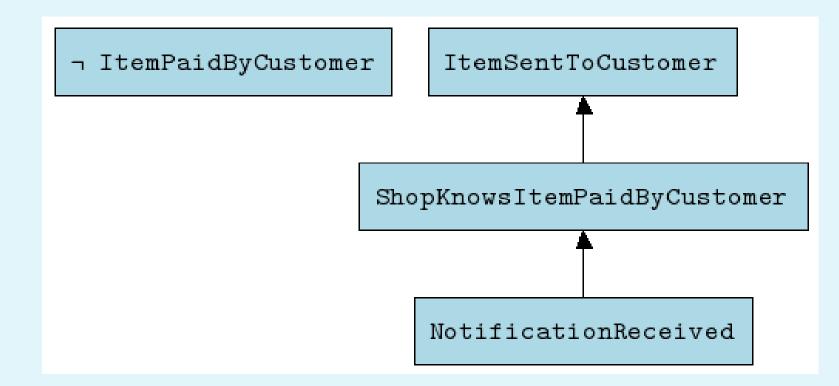


- Modeling terrorist threats (anti-goal model)
- RE for on-board threat detection & reaction system

#### Automated synthesis of threat graphs

- Builds a proof showing realizability of anti-goal in view of attacker's capabilities & knowledge of environment
- Capabilities = Boolean state variables (atomic conditions that are monitorable/controllable)
- Based on BDD representation of anti-goal
- Weakens powerful macro-agent by removal of capabilities, following BDD state-variable ordering

## Synthesizing attack graphs (plan generation)



Attacker anti-goal: ¬ ItemPaidByCustomer ^ ItemSentToCustomer Attacker capabilities: Controls ItemPaidByCustomer, NotificationReceived Monitors --

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### **Conflict analysis**

 Divergence is most frequent case of conflicting goals, requirements or assumptions:
 *potential* logical inconsistency

 Goals G<sub>1</sub>, ..., G<sub>n</sub> are divergent *iff* there exists a *boundary condition* B: { B, ∧<sub>i</sub> G<sub>i</sub>, Dom} |= false *inconsistency* { B, ∧<sub>i≠i</sub> G<sub>j</sub>, Dom} |≠ false *minimality* exists system behavior S s.t. S |= B *feasibility* Divergence frequently involves security goals

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## Conflict analysis (2)

#### Detecting divergence:

- by regression: derive B as precondition for ¬G<sub>i</sub> from {
   {
   i=i G<sub>j</sub>, Dom}
- by use of formal conflict patterns

Resolving divergence: resolution operators

- avoid boundary condition:  $\Box \neg B$
- restore divergent goals:  $B \Rightarrow \Diamond \wedge_i G_i$
- anticipate conflict:  $P \Rightarrow \Diamond_{\leq_T} \neg P$
- weaken goals, specialize objects, etc.

## Deriving boundary condition for conflict

#### By regression:

- AtStation  $\land o \neg AtStation \Rightarrow DoorsClosed W AtNext$
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## $\rightarrow$ regress $\neg$ G1 through G2:

AtStation  $\land$  o  $\neg$  AtStation

 $\wedge \neg AtNext U$  (  $\bullet$  Stopped  $\wedge \bullet$  Alarm  $\wedge \neg AtNext$ )

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Model checking against confidentiality requirements

## CONCHITA: checking requirements models against confidentiality claims

#### ♦ Given ...

- an object model (entities, associations, agents)
- a list of requirements
- -assumed confidentiality requirements
- claimed confidentiality requirements
- \_ specified with patterns

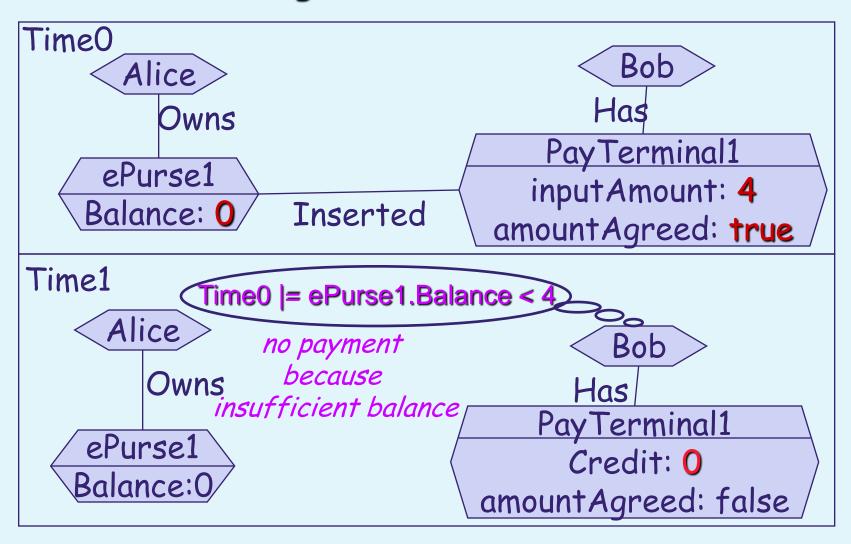
## Find a finite trace ...

- satisfying the requirements
- where an agent instance can acquire knowledge that violates one of the confidentiality claims
- Explain how the agent acquired this knowledge

#### Implementation:

Bounded Model Checking, Finite instantiation, CSP solver (efficient arithmetic and search space pruning)

#### Running CONCHITA on e-Purse system: trace leading to information disclosure



+ explanation = knowledge fragments used in the deduction

## Example of axioms about unauthorized agent (UA)

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Ex: seller knows the amount that is entered in the terminal

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Ex: the seller knows that payment is denied in case of insufficient balance.

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Perfect System knowledge UAs know all the requirements the software implements and all the properties of the domain.

**Perfect Recall** UAs always remember facts and properties they used to know in the past.

Ex: at time1, the seller remembers the entered amount, the insertion of the e-Purse, ...

## Conclusion

Rich models are essential for HA applications

- multiple dimensions: intentional, structural, responsibility, operational, behavioral
- software + environment (e.g., humans, devices, other software, mother Nature, attacker, attackee)
   start thinking about high assurance at RE time
- alternative refinements, assignments, resolutions
- seamless transition from high-level concerns to operational requirements

## Conclusion (2)

- The building of such models is hard & critical; should therefore be guided by methods...
  - systematic
  - top-down + bottom-up
  - incremental
  - supporting the analysis of partial models

## **Conclusion** (3)

#### Goal-based reasoning is central for...

- model building & elaboration of requirements
- exploration & evaluation of alternatives
- conflict management
- anticipation of hazards and threats (requirements-level exception handling)

## Conclusion (4)

- Goal completeness can be achieved through multiple means ...
  - refinement checking => missing subgoals, subobstacles, threats/vulnerabilities
  - obstacle/threat analysis => countermeasure goals
  - animation (not discussed here)

## Conclusion (5)

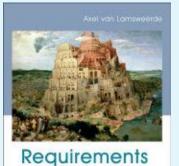
 Be pessimistic from beginning about software and environment hazards, threats, conflicts

Benefits of multi-button framework

- semi-formal ...
   for modeling, navigation, traceability
- formal, when and where needed ... for precise, incremental reasoning on model pieces

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