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## Handshaking expansions

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## Handshaking expansions

CHP: high level constructs such as send and receive

$*[ L?x; R!x ]$

Production rules: circuit description

$a \wedge b \mapsto c \downarrow$   
 $\neg a \vee \neg b \mapsto c \uparrow$

Handshaking expansions: intermediate form

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## Handshaking expansions

Handshaking expansions are CHP programs, with the following restrictions:

- only Boolean-valued variables
- no communication actions
- only constants on the RHS of assignments

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## Handshaking expansions

Replace

$x := y$

with

$[y \rightarrow x \uparrow \mid \neg y \rightarrow x \downarrow]$

Variables of a process are classified into:

- internal (local variables, not shared)
- input (shared, only read by the process)
- output (shared, written by the process)

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## Handshake protocols

We first consider the case when we have bare communication actions (no data being sent/received).

Synchronization is implemented by using two wires.

**Two-phase handshake:** (initially all variables are false)

$$X : xo\uparrow; [xi]$$
$$Y : [yi]; yo\uparrow$$

X: *active* communication protocol

Y: *passive* communication protocol

$$xo = yi; yo = xi$$

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## Handshake protocols

If all variables are true initially:

$$X : xo\downarrow; [\neg xi]$$
$$Y : [\neg yi]; yo\downarrow$$

Both protocols synchronize the two actions.

Since the final state of one implementation is the initial state of the other, we can *alternate* the two implementations.

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## Handshake protocols

**Problem:** it is not always possible to alternate the two implementations.

$$[B \rightarrow X$$
$$[\neg B \rightarrow \text{skip}$$
$$]$$

General solution: use the *same* implementation for the two.

(Two-phase handshake protocol)

$$X : xo := \neg xo; [xi = xo]$$
$$Y : [yi \neq yo]; yo := \neg yo$$

This implementation is costly.

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## Handshake protocols

**Four-phase handshaking:**

$$X : xo\uparrow; [xi]; xo\downarrow; [\neg xi]$$
$$Y : [yi]; yo\uparrow; [\neg yi]; yo\downarrow$$

X: *active* communication protocol

Y: *passive* communication protocol

The waits are simplified, which results in better circuits.

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## Handshaking expansions

Example:

\*  $[L; R]$

becomes:

\*  $[li; lo\uparrow; \neg li; lo\downarrow; ro\uparrow; ri; ro\downarrow; \neg ri]$

or:

\*  $[lo\uparrow; li; lo\downarrow; \neg li; ri; ro\uparrow; \neg ri; ro\downarrow]$

or:

\*  $[li; lo\uparrow; ro\uparrow; ri; \neg li; lo\downarrow; ro\downarrow; \neg ri]$

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## Implementing probes

Example:

\*  $[\bar{C} \rightarrow x\uparrow; C \parallel \bar{D} \rightarrow x\downarrow; D]$

becomes:

\*  $[ci \rightarrow x\uparrow; \underbrace{[ci]; co\uparrow; [\neg ci]; co\downarrow}_{omit} \parallel di \rightarrow x\downarrow; \underbrace{[di]; do\uparrow; [\neg di]; do\downarrow}]$

or:

\*  $[ci \rightarrow x\uparrow; co\uparrow; [\neg ci]; co\downarrow \parallel di \rightarrow x\downarrow; do\uparrow; [\neg di]; do\downarrow]$

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## Implementing probes

Example:

\*  $[\bar{L} \rightarrow R; L]$

becomes:

\*  $[li \rightarrow ro\uparrow; ri; ro\downarrow; \neg ri; lo\uparrow; \neg li; lo\downarrow]$

If port  $X$  is probed, we implement it using a **passive** communication protocol.

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## Reshuffling

Since the first part of the four-phase protocol synchronizes the two actions, we can postpone the last part of the protocol.

- This transformation is called **reshuffling**
- Reshuffling changes the order in which signals change  
⇒ different circuit!
- Circuit efficiency can be significantly altered

Reshuffle with care: you might introduce deadlock!

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## Lazy-active handshake protocol

Lazy-active protocol:

$X : [-xi]; xo\uparrow; [xi]; xo\downarrow$

The wait for  $xi$  to be **false** can always be postponed until the next time the handshake protocol is executed.

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## Analysis of reshuffling

We can analyze the effect of a reshuffling at the CHP level of abstraction!

A 4-phase handshake is two 2-phase handshakes—i.e., two synchronizations.

- Write all handshaking using 2-phase CHP: only two-phase handshakes allowed.  $L_{4\phi} \triangleright L_{2\phi}^+; L_{2\phi}^-$
- Relation between two 2-phase handshakes  $L$  and  $R$ ?
  - Test against two environments:  $L; R$  and  $R; L$
  - If both work, then parallel
  - If only one works, in sequences
  - If neither work, then “ $\star$ ”

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## Analysis of reshuffling

Passive, passive:

$[li]; lo\uparrow; [ri]; ro\uparrow \triangleright L^+; R^+$

$[li \wedge ri]; lo\uparrow, ro\uparrow \triangleright L^+ \star R^+$

$[ri]; ro\uparrow; [li]; lo\uparrow \triangleright R^+; L^+$

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## Analysis of reshuffling

Active, active:

$lo\uparrow; [li]; ro\uparrow; [ri] \triangleright L^+; R^+$

$lo\uparrow, ro\uparrow; [li \wedge ri] \triangleright L^+ || R^+$

$ro\uparrow; [ri]; lo\uparrow; [li] \triangleright R^+; L^+$

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## Analysis of reshuffling

Active, passive:

$$\begin{aligned} lo\uparrow; [li \wedge ri]; ro\uparrow &\triangleright L^+; R^+ \\ lo\uparrow; [ri]; ro\uparrow; [li] &\triangleright L^+ \parallel R^+ \\ [ri]; lo\uparrow; [li]; ro\uparrow &\triangleright L^+ \star R^+ \\ [ri]; ro\uparrow, lo\uparrow; [li] &\triangleright R^+; L^+ \end{aligned}$$

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## Reshuffling examples

$$\begin{aligned} &*[[li]; ro\uparrow; [ri]; ro\downarrow; [-ri]; lo\uparrow; [-li]; lo\downarrow] \\ \triangleright &*[L^+ \star (R^+; R^-); L^-] \\ &*[[li]; ro\uparrow; [ri]; lo\uparrow; [-li]; ro\downarrow; [-ri]; lo\downarrow] \\ \triangleright &*[L^+ \star R^+; L^- \star R^-] \\ &*[[li]; lo\uparrow; [-li]; lo\downarrow; ro\uparrow; [ri]; ro\downarrow; [-ri]] \\ \triangleright &*[L^+; L^-; R^+; R^-] \end{aligned}$$

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## Implementing bullets

$$\begin{aligned} L \bullet R &\triangleright L^+; R^+; L^-; R^- \\ &\triangleright L^+; R^+; R^-; L^- \end{aligned}$$

Interleave the parts of the handshaking expansion so that neither  $L$  nor  $R$  can complete unless the other has begun.

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