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A linear process algebraic format for probabilistic systems

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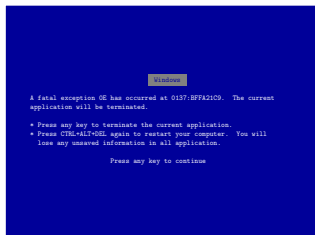
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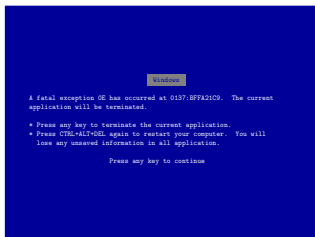
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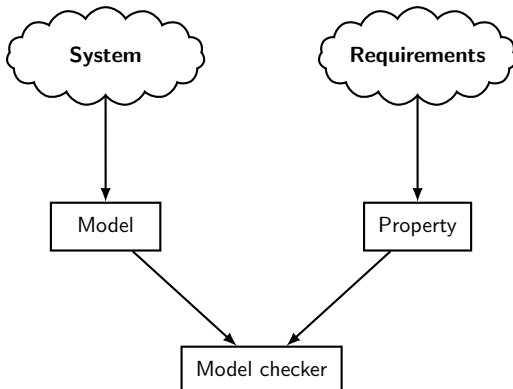


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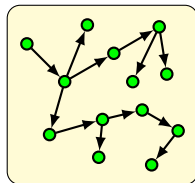
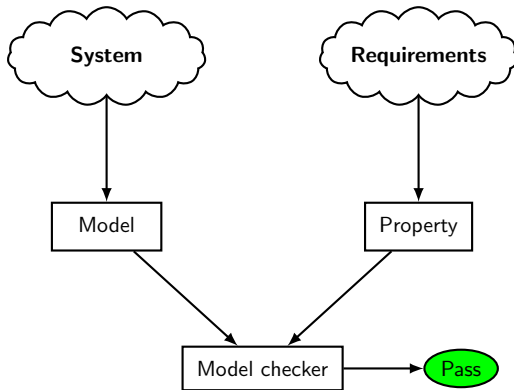
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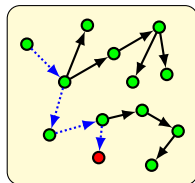
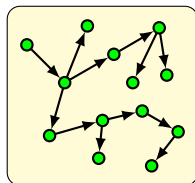
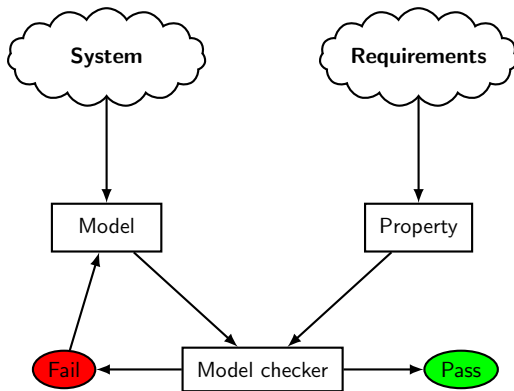
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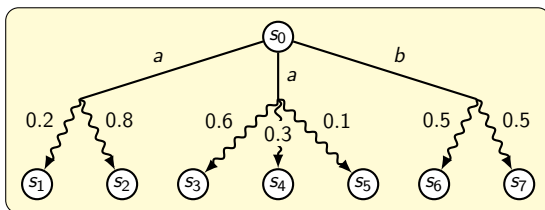
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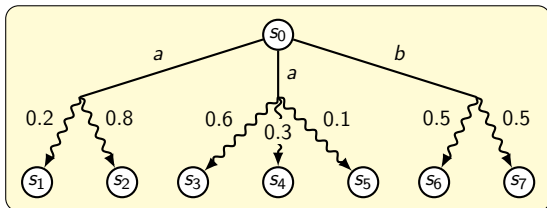


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Applications:

- **Dependability analysis**
- **Performance analysis**

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Our approach:

- 1 Define a probabilistic process algebra (**prCRL**), incorporating both **data types** and **probabilistic choice**
- 2 Define a **linear format** (the **LPPE**), enabling symbolic optimisations at the **language level**
- 3 Develop and implement a **linearisation algorithm**
- 4 Reduce state spaces **before** they are generated by manipulations of the linear format.

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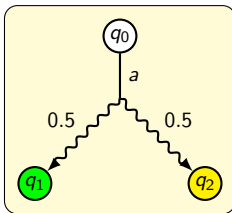
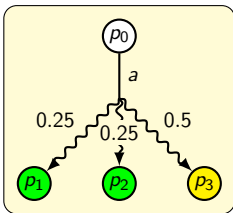
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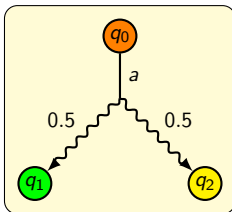
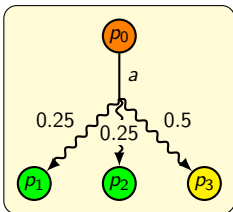
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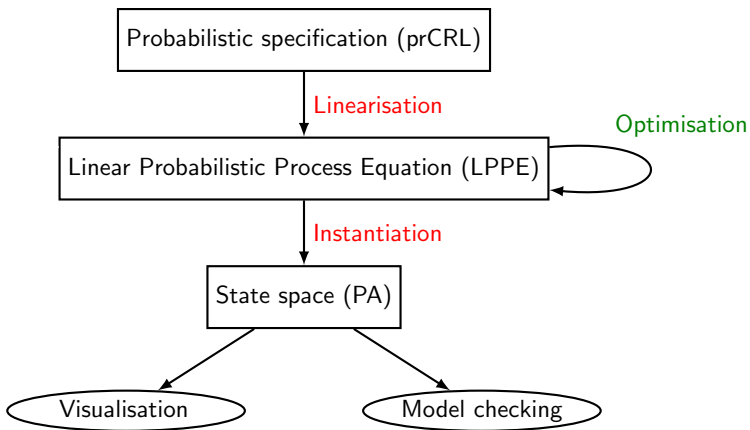
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Introduction – overview of our approach



A process algebra with data and probability: prCRL

Specification language **prCRL**:

- Based on μ CRL (so **data**), with additional **probabilistic choice**
- Operational semantics defined in terms of **probabilistic automata**
- Minimal set of operators to facilitate **formal manipulation**
- **Syntactic sugar** easily definable

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Process equations and processes

A **process equation** is something of the form $X(\vec{g} : \vec{G}) = p$.

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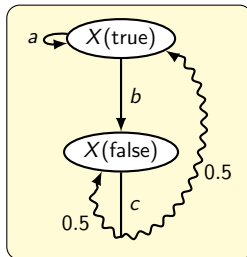
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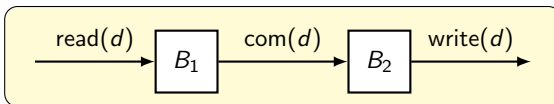
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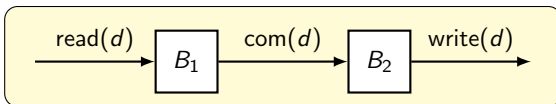
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- \vec{G} is a type for **state vectors**
- \vec{D}_i a type for **local variable vectors** for summand i
- c_i is the **enabling condition** of summand i
- a_i is an **atomic action**, with **action-parameter vector** b_i
- \vec{n}_i is the **next-state vector** of summand i .

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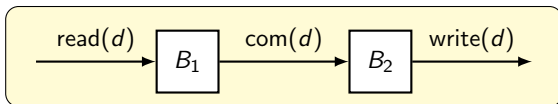
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Advantages of using LPPEs instead of prCRL specifications:

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- Straight-forward **parallel composition**
- **Symbolic optimisations enabled at the language level**

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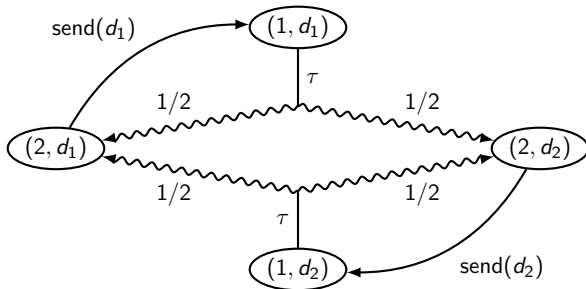
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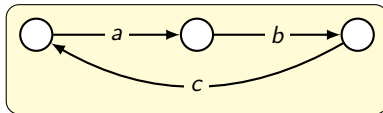


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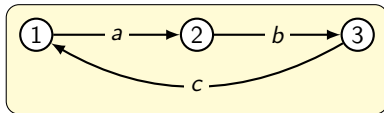
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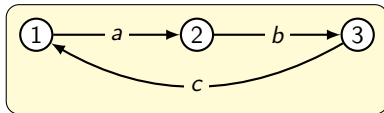
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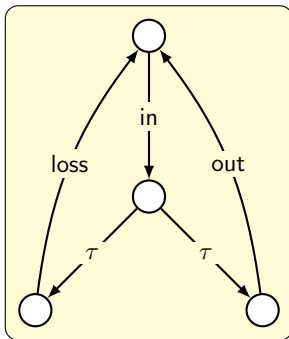
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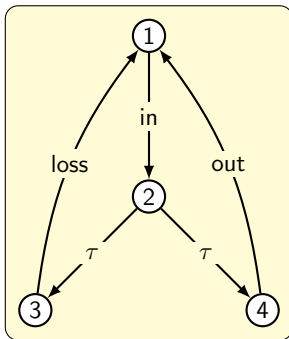
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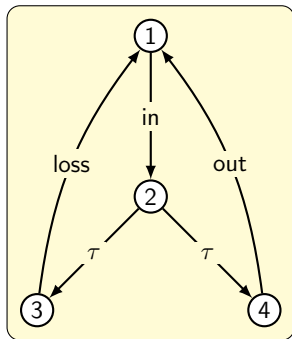
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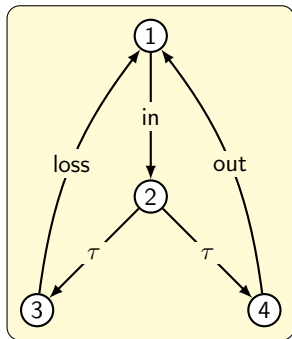
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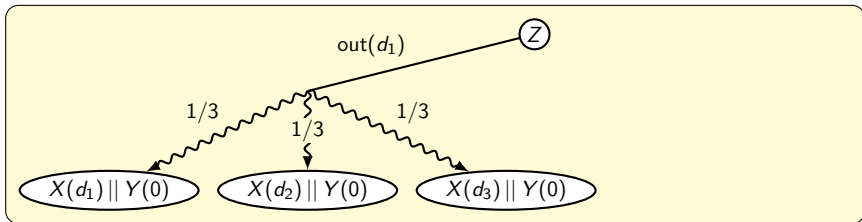
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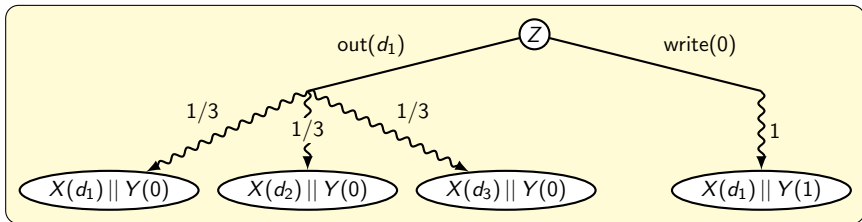


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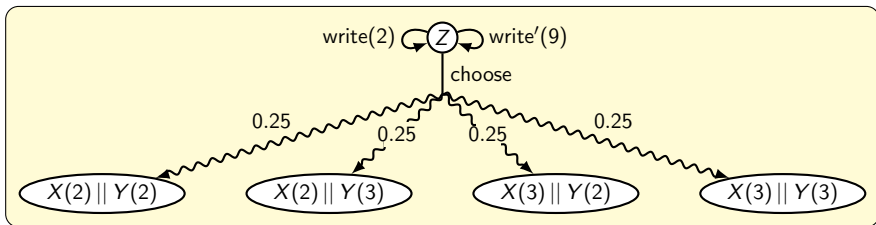
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State space: from 127 to 93 states.

Conclusions and Future Work

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- We developed the **process algebra prCRL**, incorporating both **data** and **probability**.
- We defined a **linear format for prCRL**, the **LPPE**, providing the starting point for effective symbolic optimisations and easy state space generation.
- We provided a **linearisation algorithm** to transform prCRL specifications to LPPEs, proved it **correct**, and **implemented** it.

Future work

Applying existing optimisation techniques to LPPEs

- Automating the **translation** from LPPE to PA
- Branching bisimulation preserving reductions (e.g., **confluence reduction**)

Questions

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