Towards Interactive Timing Analysis for Designing Reactive Systems

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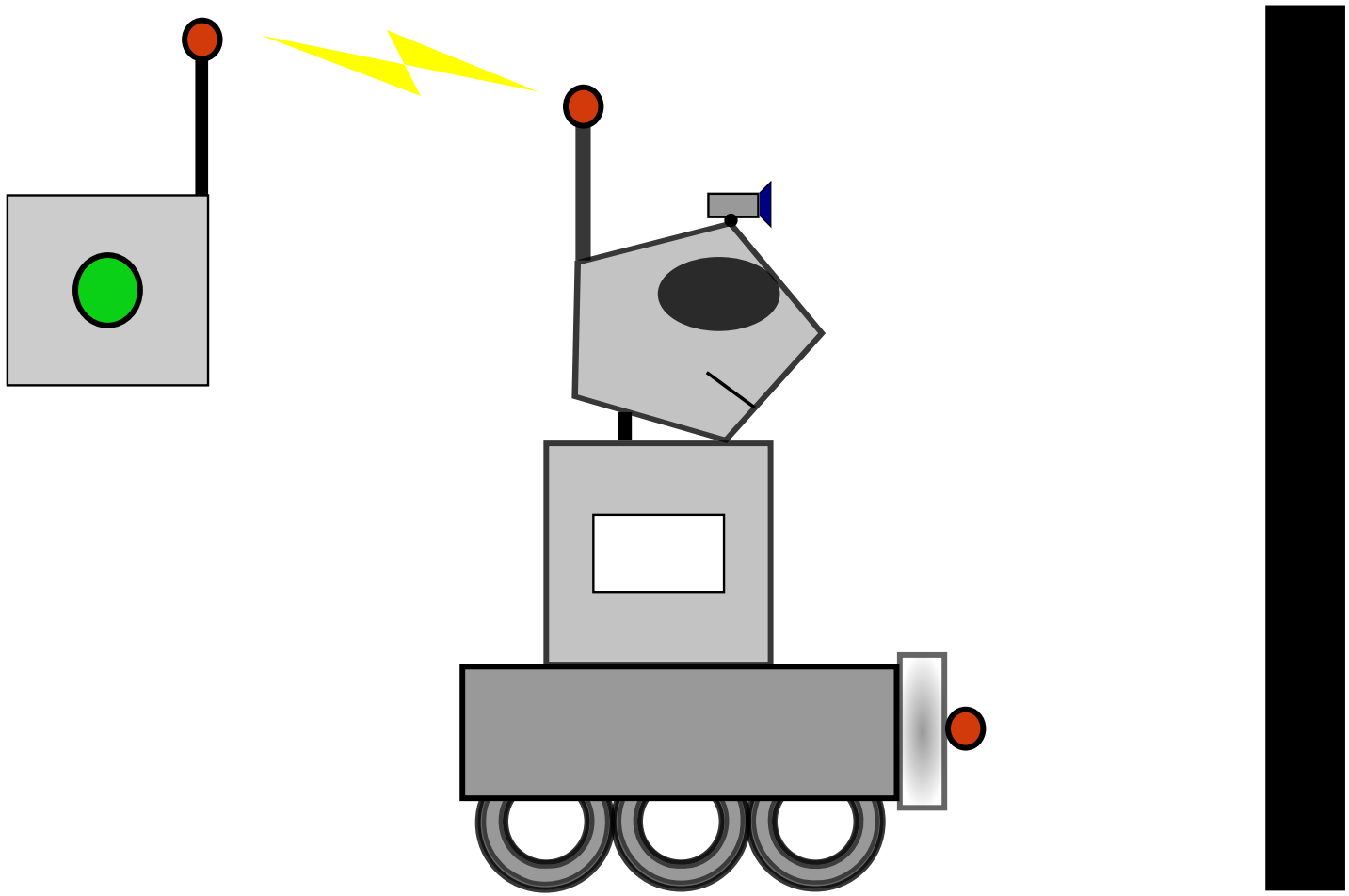

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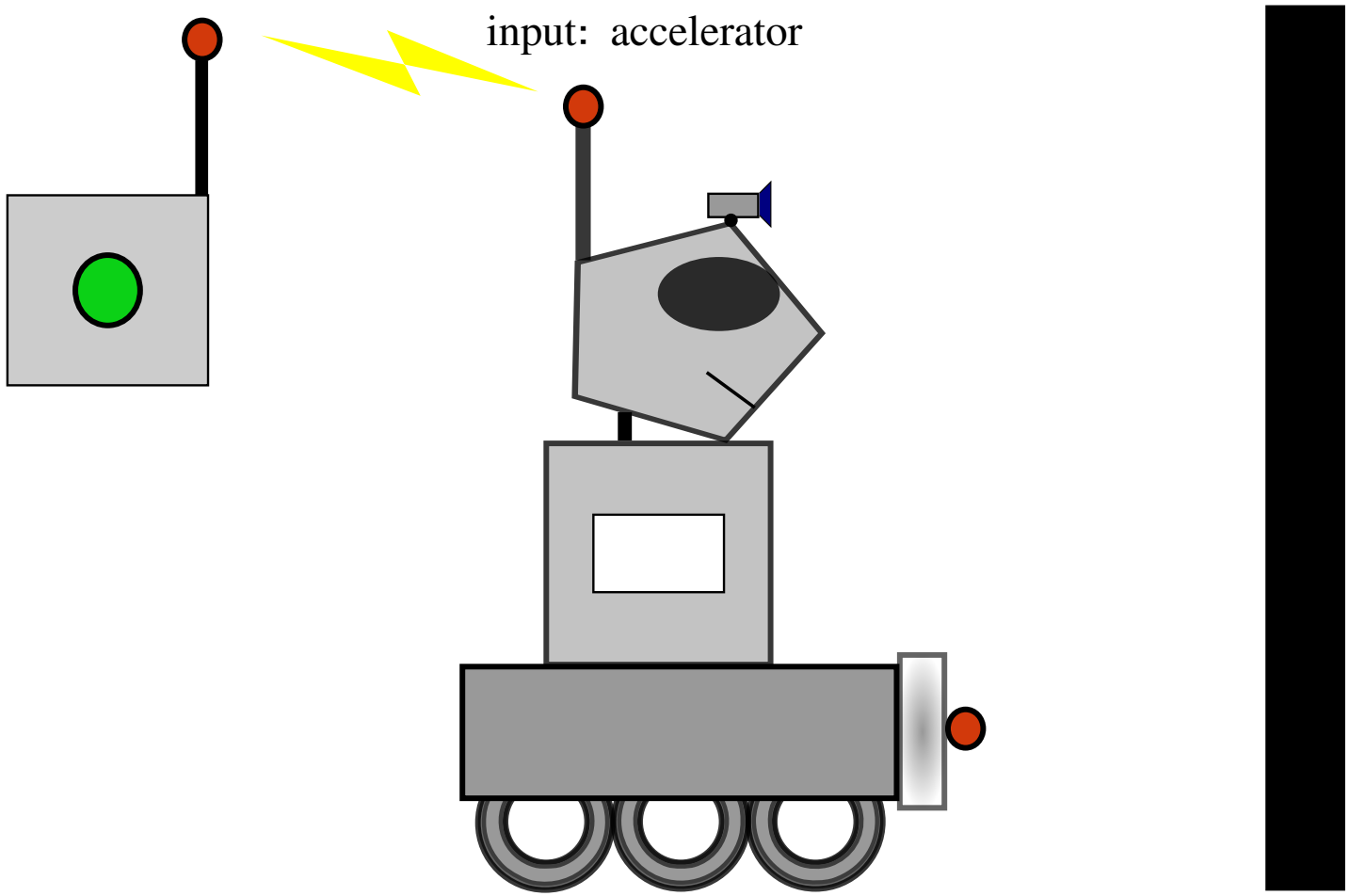

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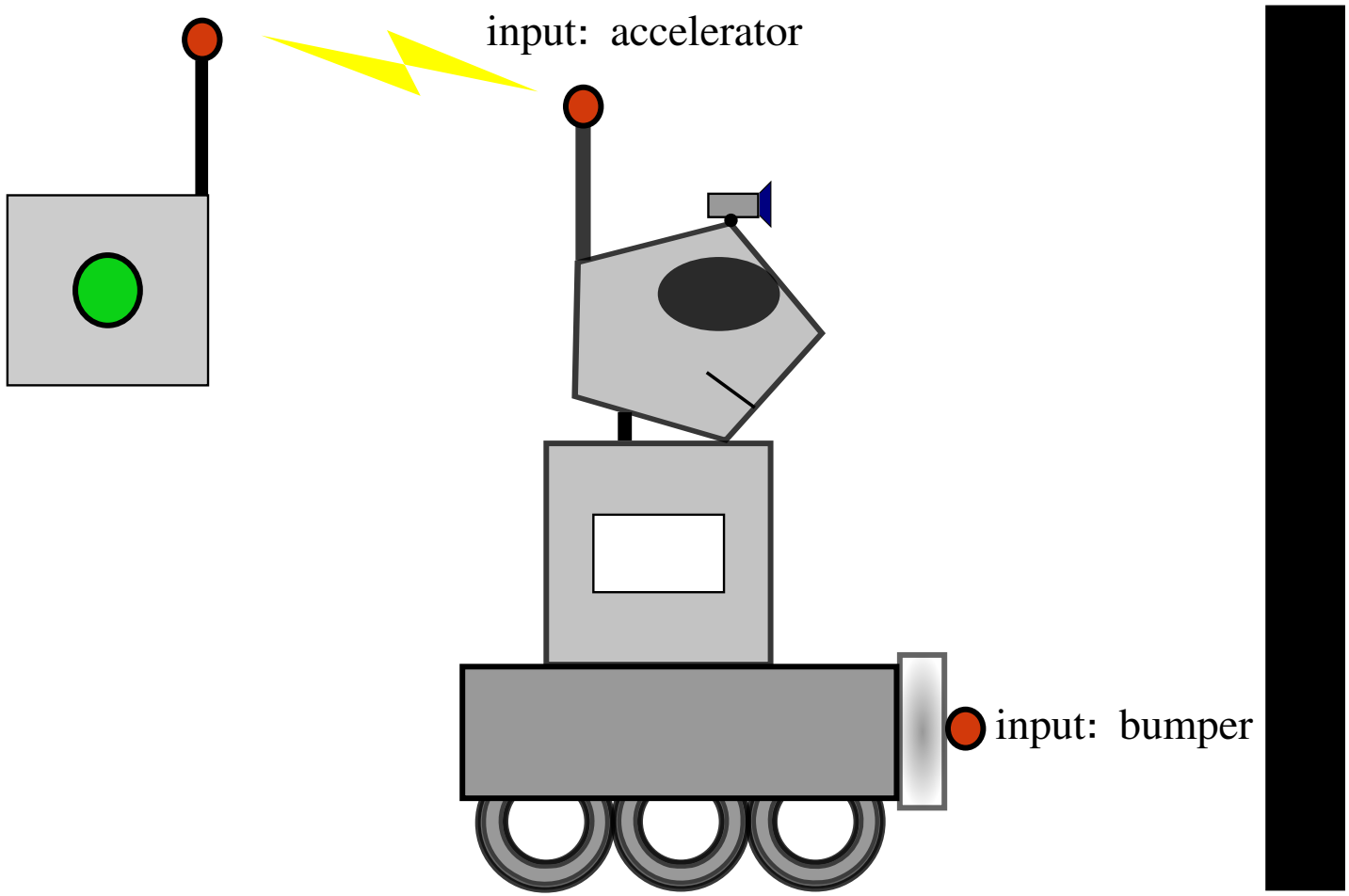

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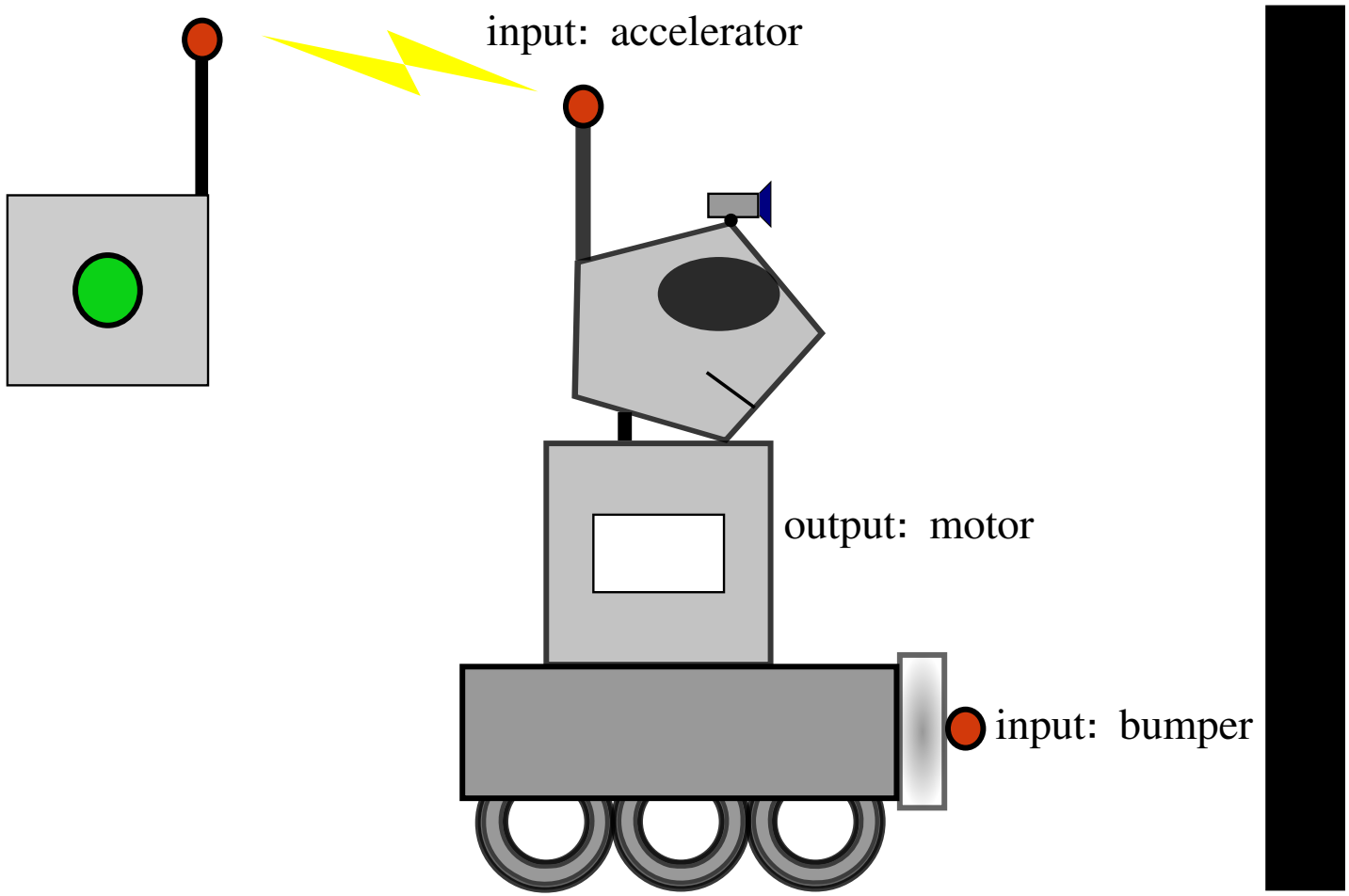

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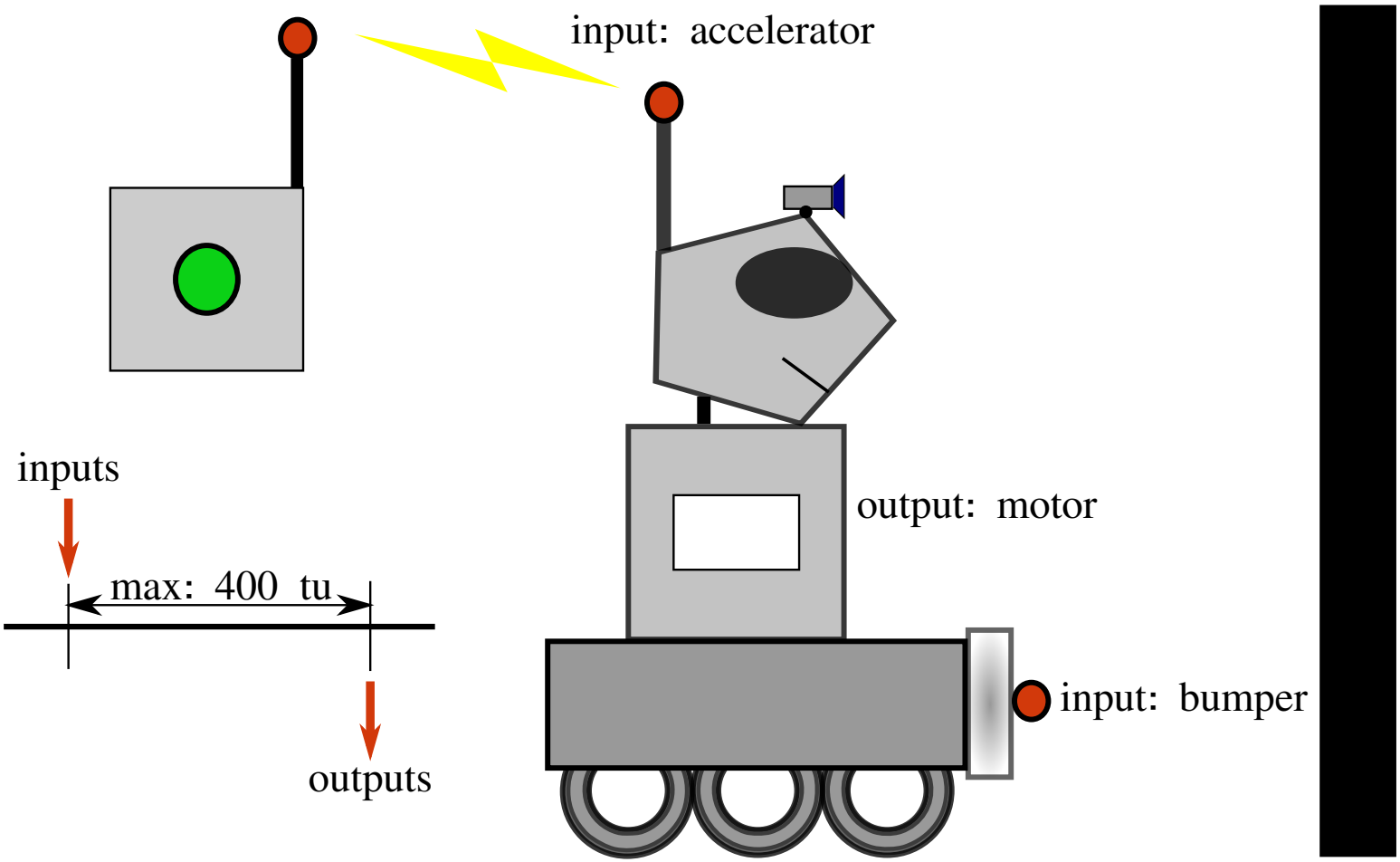
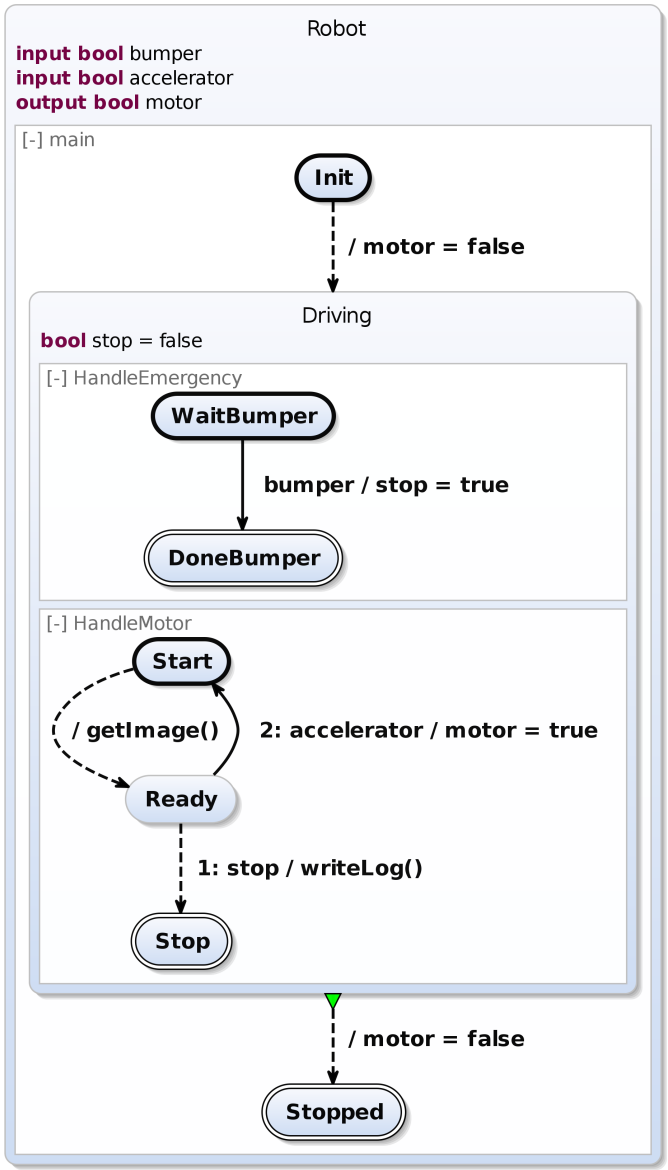


Modeling Reactive Systems

SCCharts:
v. Hanxleden et. al., SCCharts: Sequentially Constructive Statecharts for safety-critical applications, PLDI'14



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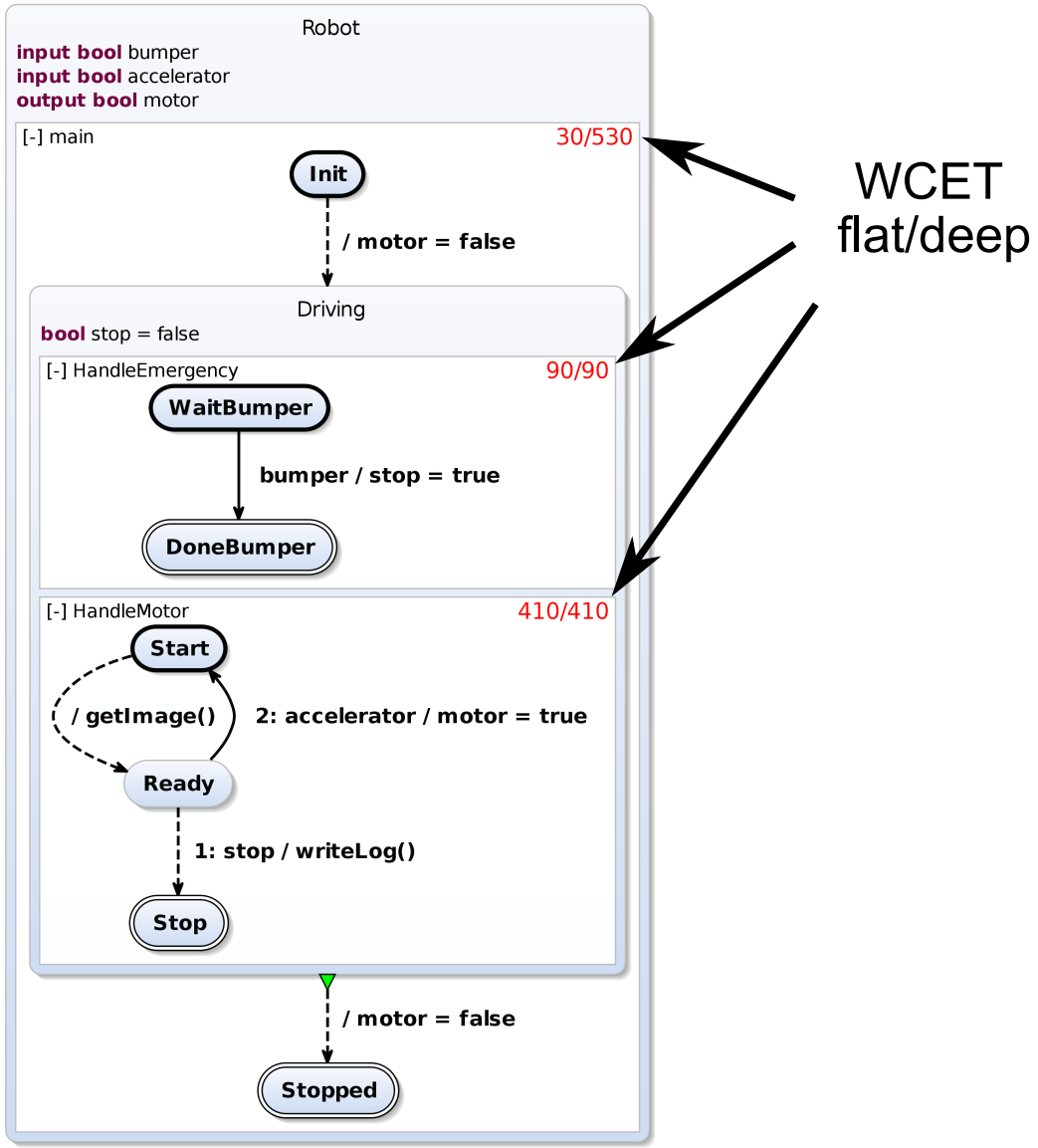
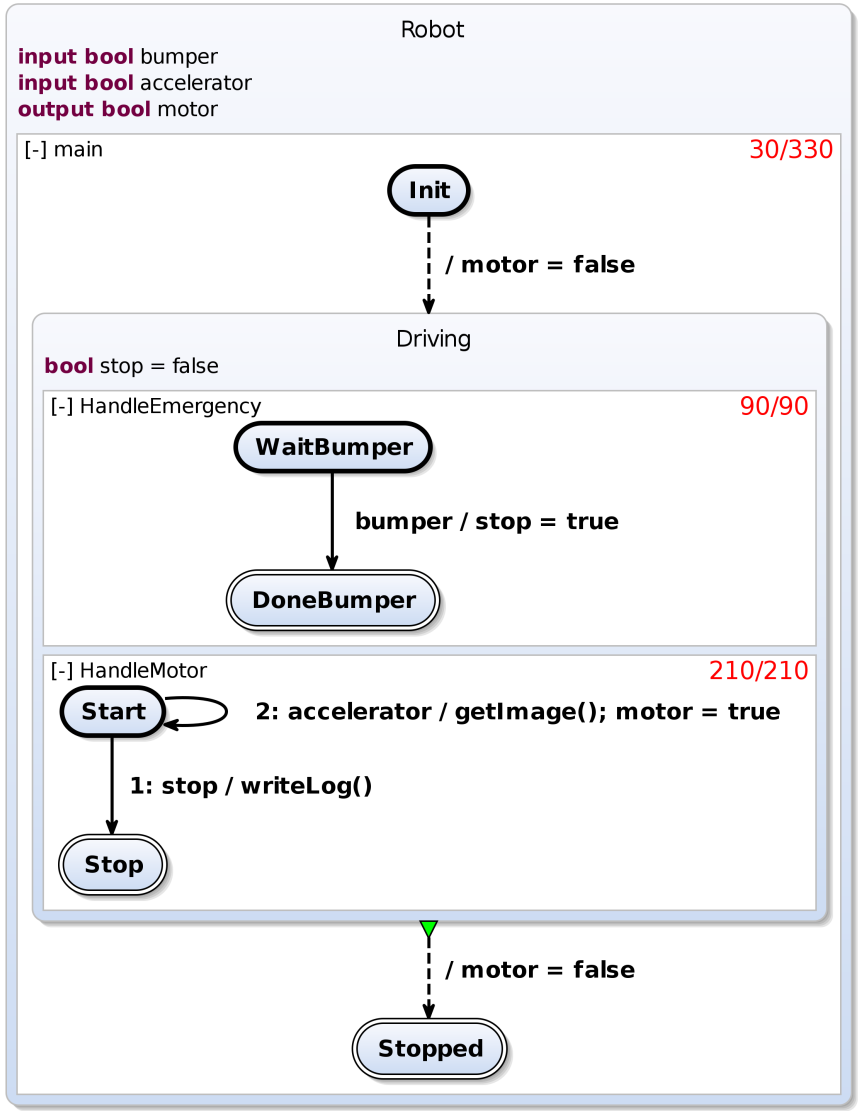


Improved Robot Example



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Types of Timing Information

- Fractional WCET (or BCET) of a model element:
  Cost of its share of the overall WCET or BCET path.
- Local WCET (or BCET) of a model element:
  Cost of the most (least) expensive execution path that lies in this element.

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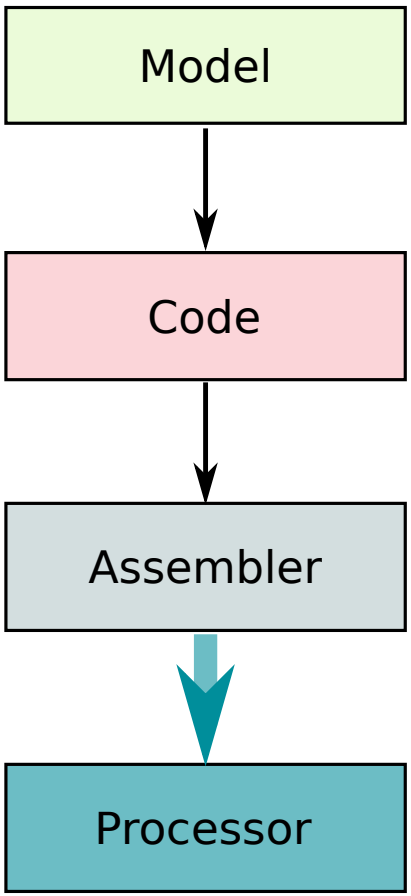

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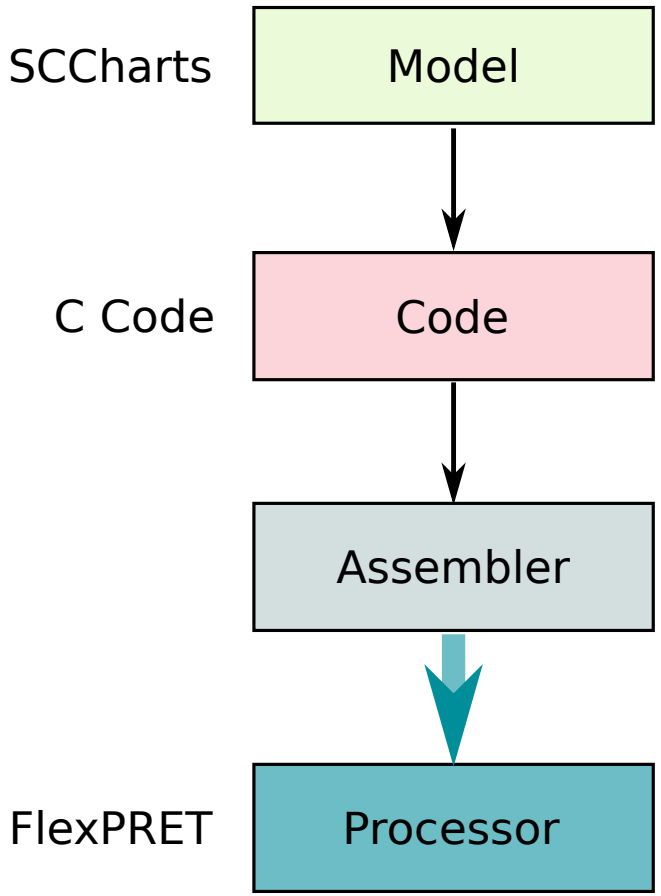

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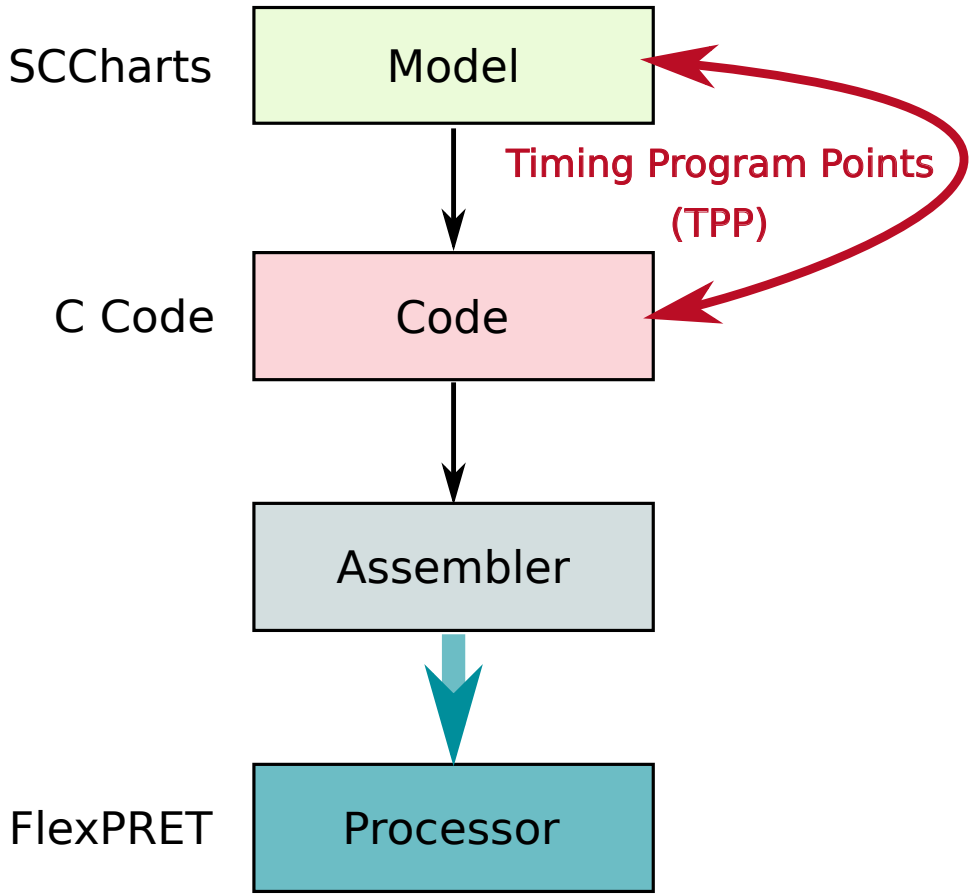

Program Points

```
1   tick () {
2   //main
3   // implicit  TPP
4    g0 = _GO;
5    if (g0) {
6      motor = false;
7      g0_F = true;
8      g4_T = true;
9      g10_T = true;
10   };
11  //handleEmergency
12  TPP(1);
13   g7 = g0;
14   if (g10_T) {
15     g9 = pre ( g8 );
16     g10 = g9 & bumper;
17     if (g10) {
18       stop = true;
19       g10_T = false;
20     };
21     g8 = g7 |
22       ( g9 & ! bumper );
23   };
24  //handleMotor
25  TPP(2);
26   g1 = g0;
27   if (g4_T) {
28     g3 = pre ( g2 );
29     g3b = g3;
30     g4 = g3b & stop;
31     if (g4) {
32       writeLog ();
33       g4_T = false;
34     };
35     g5 = g3b & ! stop;
36     g6 = g5 & accelerator;
37     if (g6) {
38       getImage();
39       motor = true;
40     };
41     g2 = g1 |
42     ( g6 |
43     ( g5 & ! accelerator ));
44   };
45  //main
46  TPP(3);
47   g11 = g0_F &
48     ! ( g4_T | g10_T );
49   if (g11) {
50     g0_F = false;
51   };
52  // implicit  TPP
53  }
```

Contributions - Revisited

1. Classification of timing values
2. General timing information propagation concept (work-in-progress toolchain)
3. Formal interface between modeling and analysis tool, separate analysis for tick function and called functions

Definition (Interactive Timing Analysis)

Given a program consisting of a set of functions F, a set of global variables G, and a timing analysis request t_{req}, return a timing response t_{res}.

$$t_{req} = (f, a, g, e, P, R). \tag{1}$$

- $f \in F$: function to be analysed
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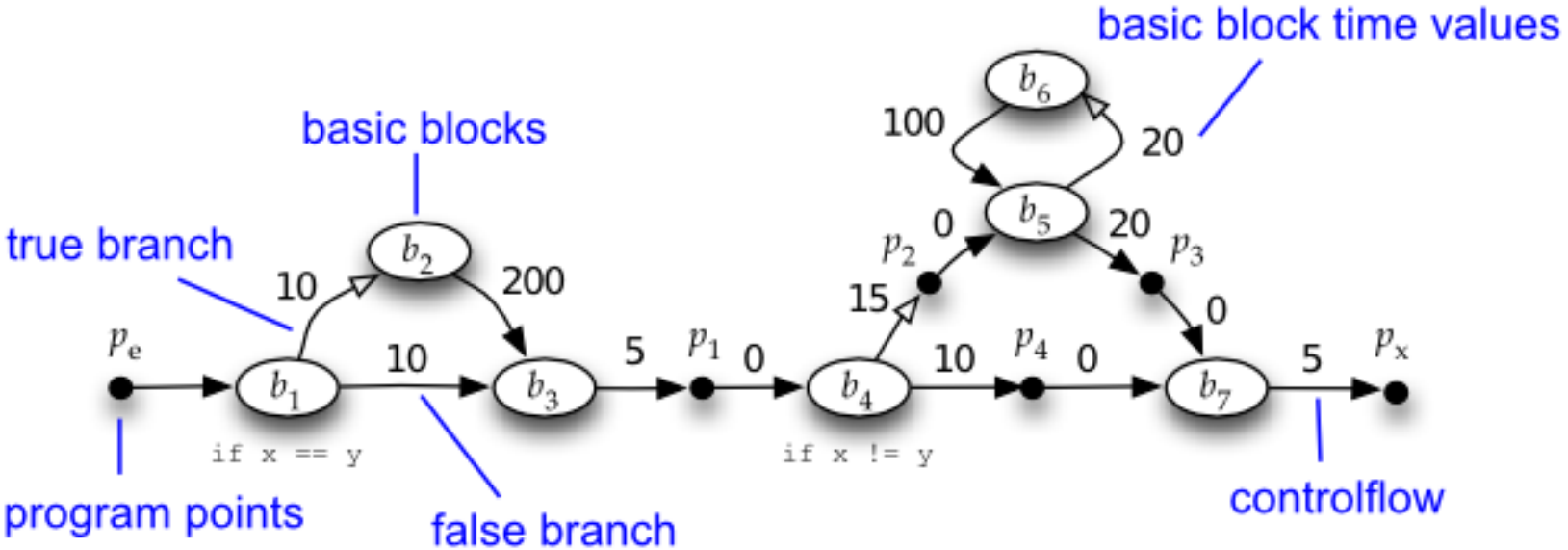

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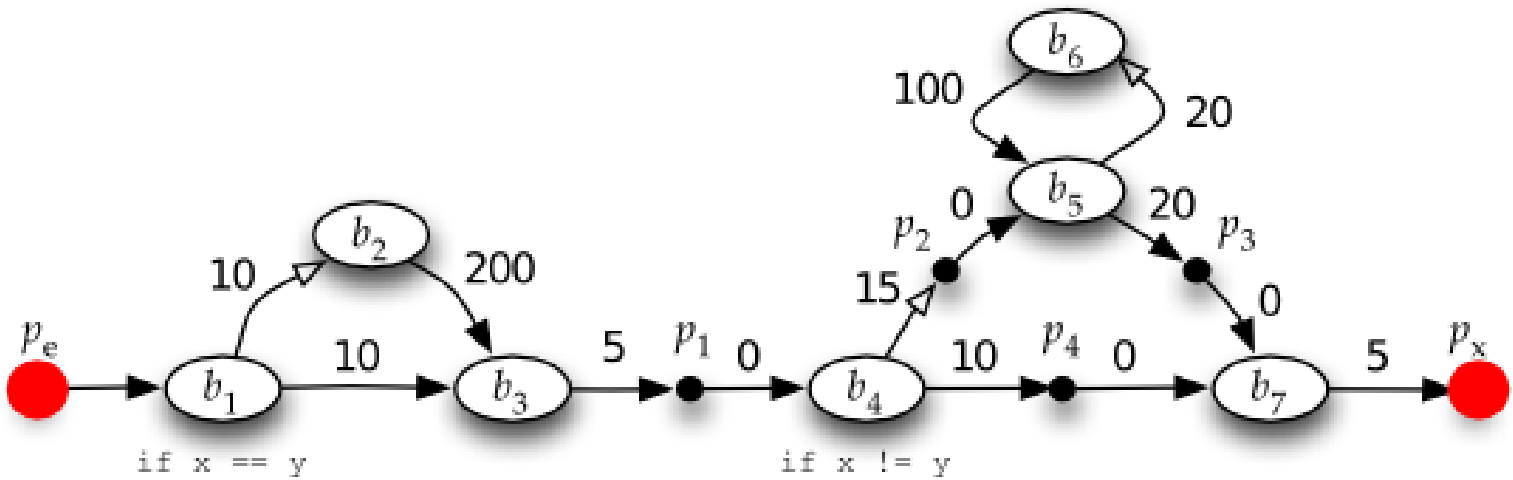

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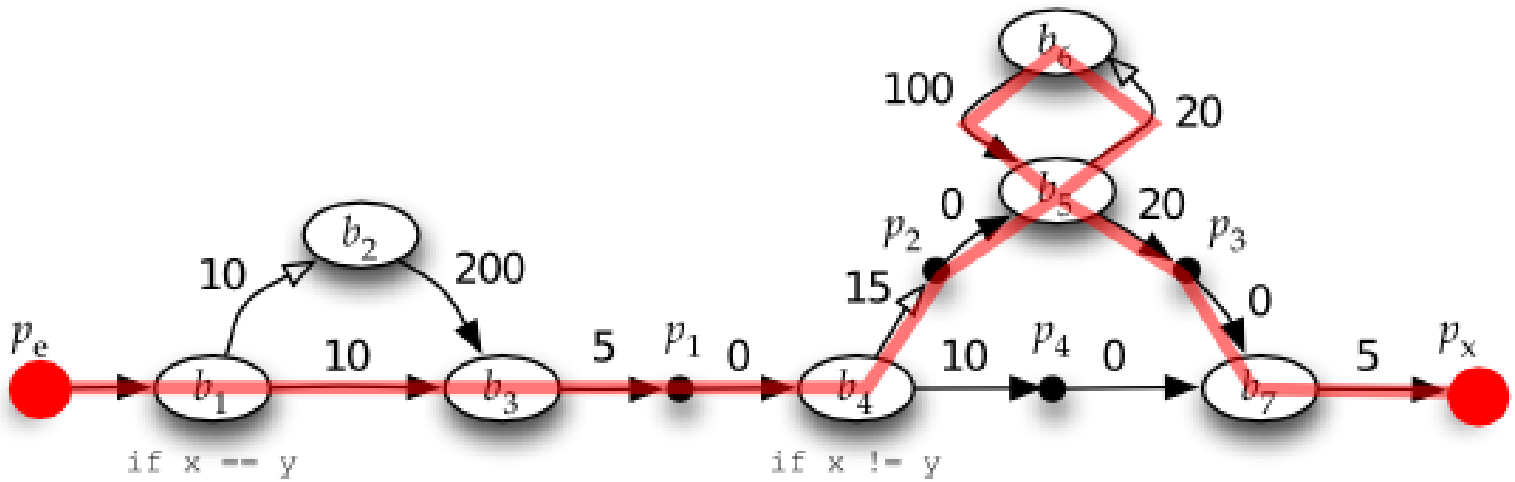

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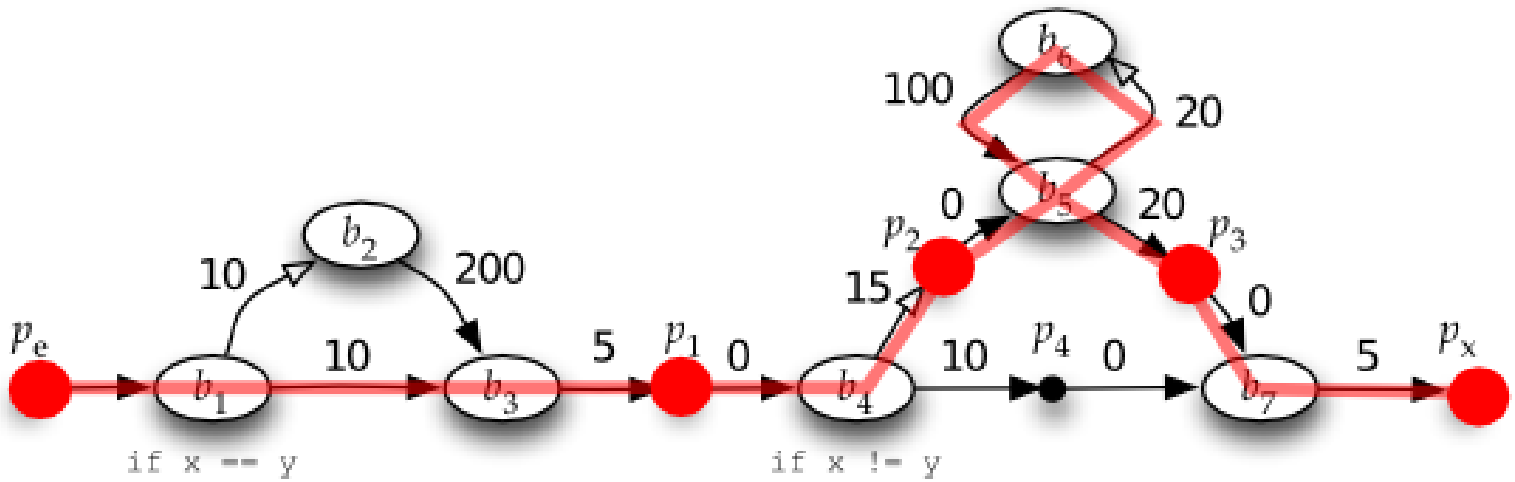

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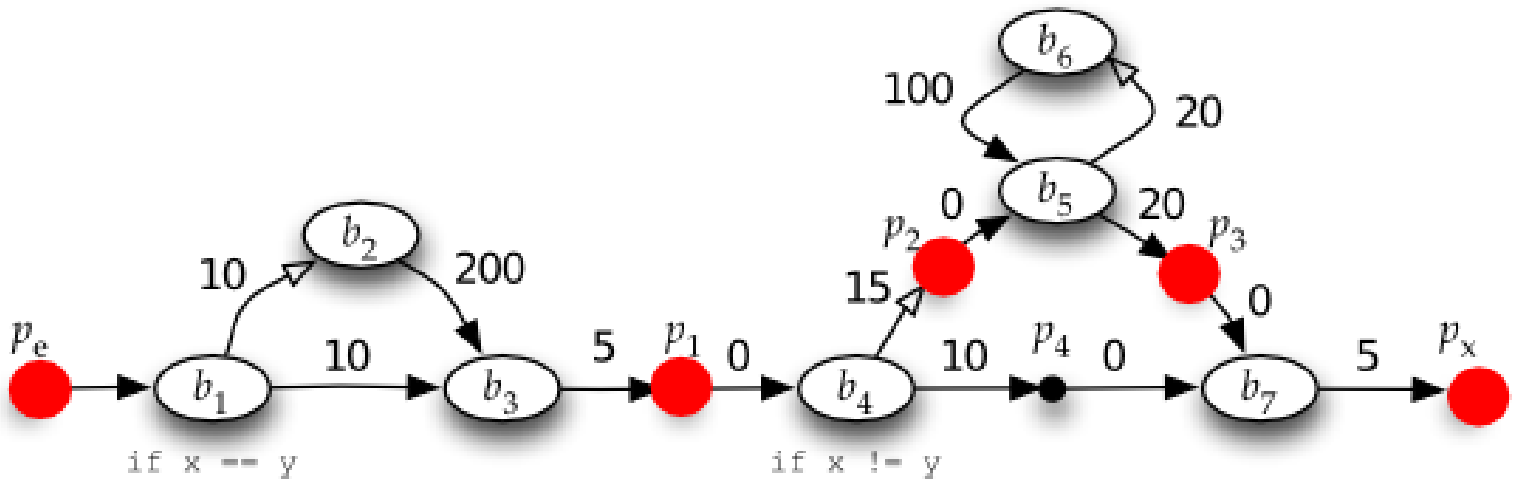

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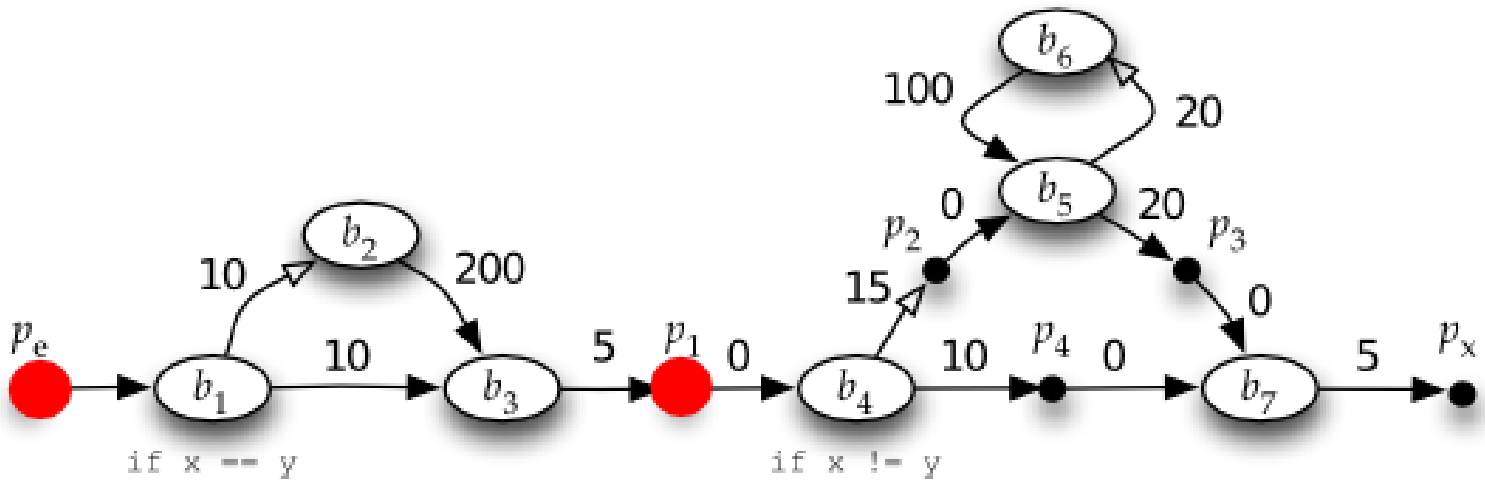

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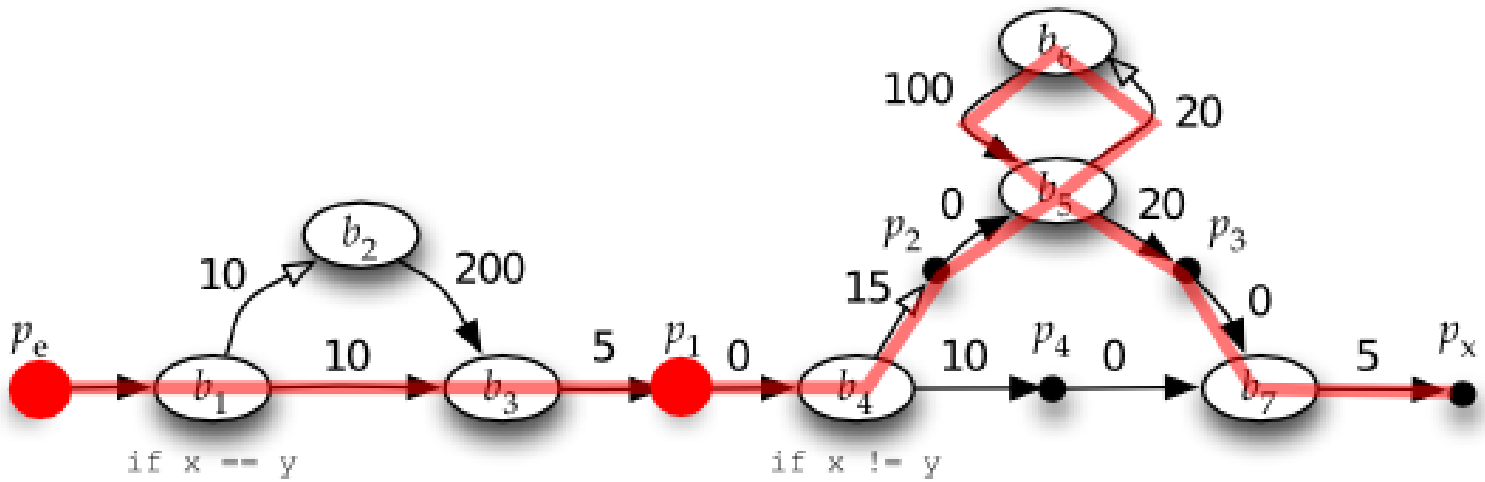

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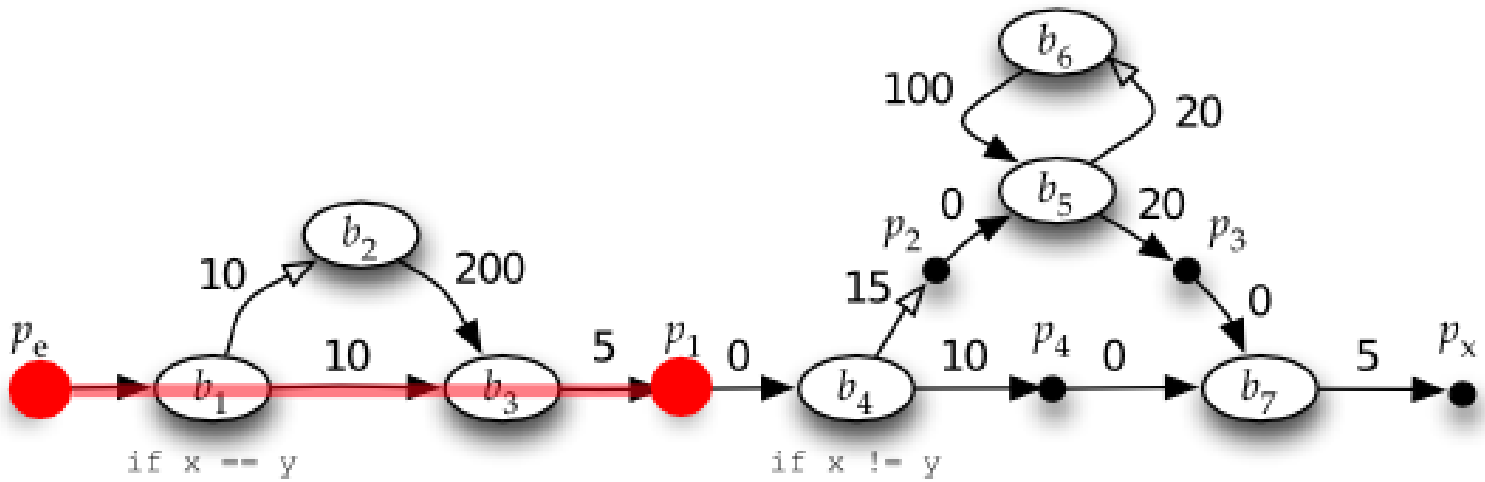

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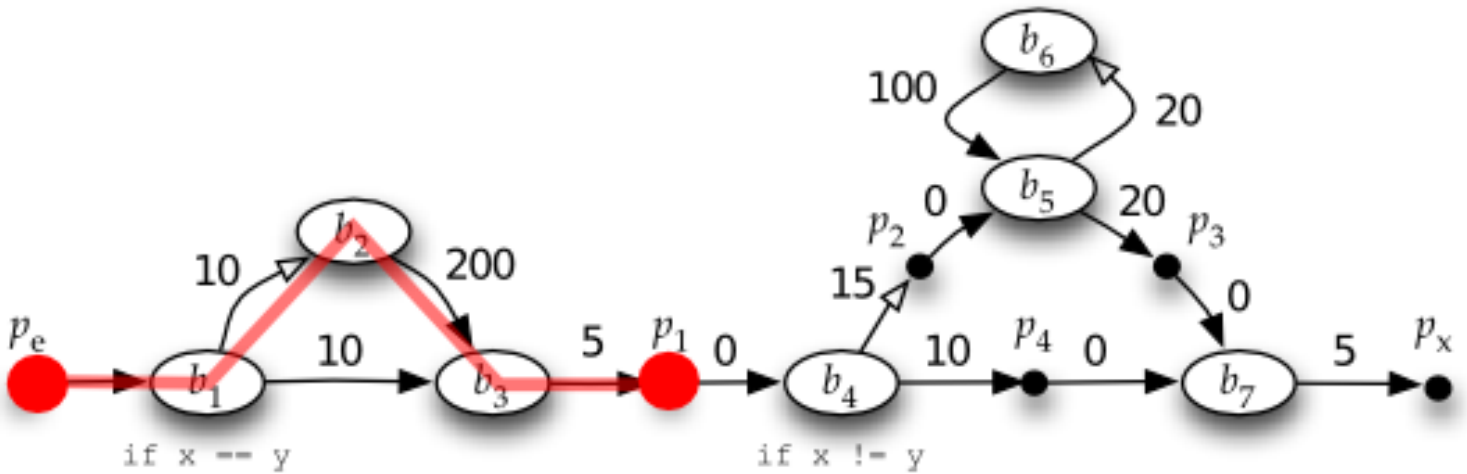

Analysis Request

- Each element of R is a triple (y, p_a, p_b)
- $p_a \in P$ and $p_b \in P$ start and end TPP
- $y \in Y$: type of requested analysis value

$$Y = \{\texttt{WCP}, \texttt{BCP}, \texttt{LWCET}, \texttt{LBCET}, \texttt{FWCET}, \texttt{FBCET}\} \quad (2)$$

Timing Response

The timing response t_{res} for a specific timing request t_{req} is a function

$$t_{res} : R \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_{\perp_\epsilon} \cup \mathcal{P}(\bar{p}) \tag{3}$$

i.e. the return value is a number, one of the values infinity and unknown, or an element of the set of finite paths of program points.

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Interactive C-Code analysis: [13] Ko et. al.: Supporting the specification and analysis of timing constraints. IEEE Real-Time Technology and Applications Symposium 1996

Analysis of Java Code: [14] Persson, Hedin: Interactive execution time predictions using reference attributed grammars. WAGA99: 1999

Matlab/Simulink analysis: [15] Kirner et.al.: Fully automatic worst-case execution time analysis for Matlab/Simulink models. In: Proceedings of the 14th Euromicro Conference on Real-Time Systems 2002

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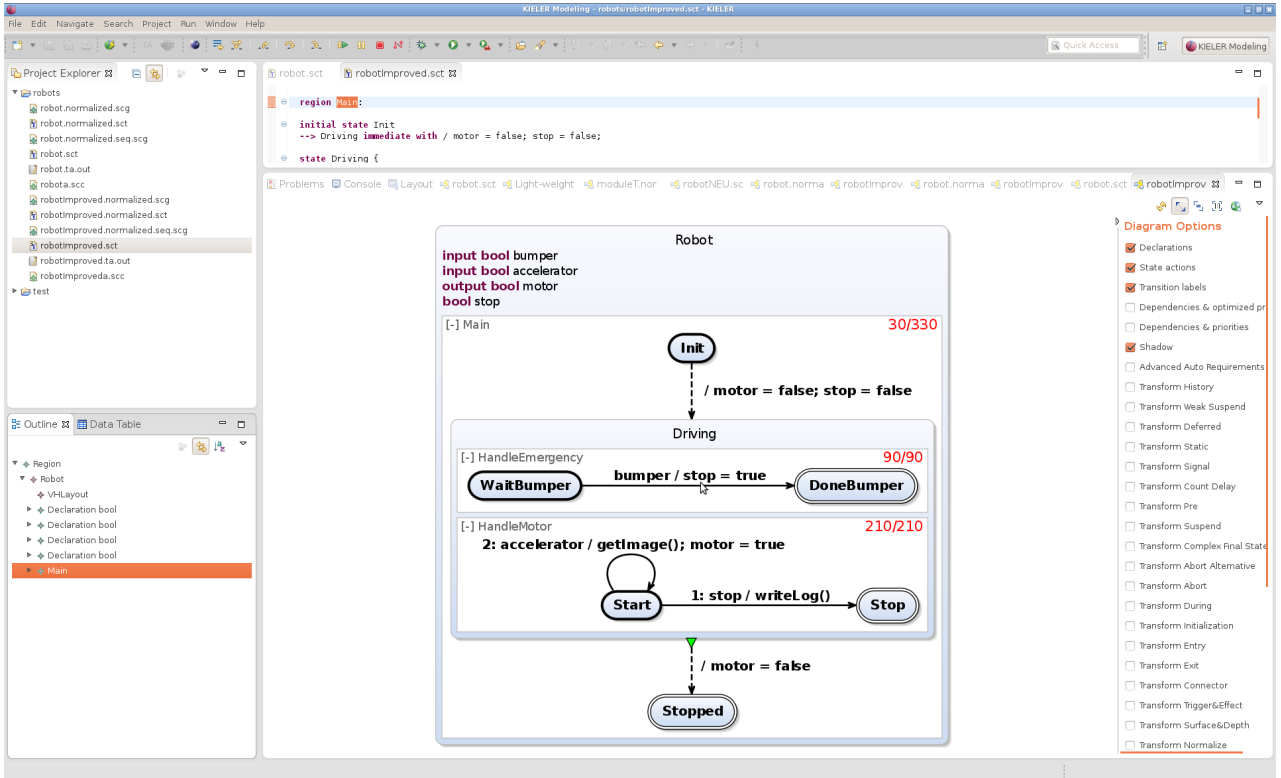
Conclusion

- Classification of timing values
- Formalization of interaction of modeling tool and timing analysis
- General concept of TPP for timing information propagation
- Seperation of concerns will hopefully allow for fast analysis

Future Work

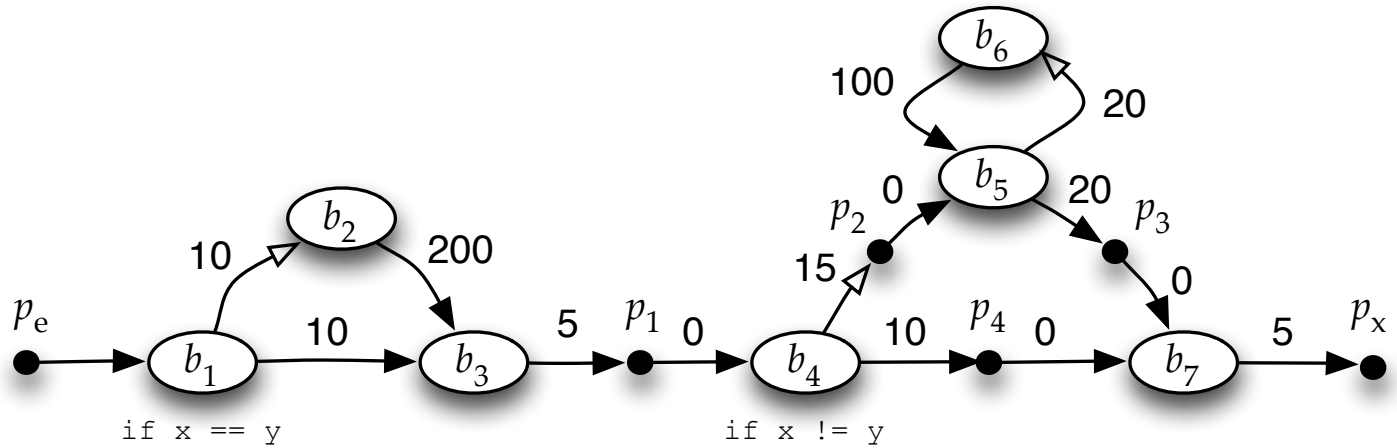


- Finish implementation, Evaluation
- Experimental studies
- TPP in cycles

End

Thanks for your attention! Do you have questions?

Additional Material: Timing Response II



$$t_{res}(r) = \begin{cases} \mathcal{T}(\bar{v}^{w}_{p_1,p_2}) & \text{if} \quad r = (\texttt{WCP}, p_1, p_2) \\ \mathcal{T}(\bar{v}^{b}_{p_1,p_2}) & \text{if} \quad r = (\texttt{BCP}, p_1, p_2) \\ \mathcal{E}(\bar{v}^{w}_{p_1,p_2}) & \text{if} \quad r = (\texttt{LWCET}, p_1, p_2) \\ \mathcal{E}(\bar{v}^{b}_{p_1,p_2}) & \text{if} \quad r = (\texttt{LBCET}, p_1, p_2) \\ \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{F}_{p_1,p_2}(\bar{v}^{w}_{p_e,p_x})) & \text{if} \quad r = (\texttt{FWCET}, p_1, p_2) \\ \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{F}_{p_1,p_2}(\bar{v}^{b}_{p_e,p_x})) & \text{if} \quad r = (\texttt{FBCET}, p_1, p_2) \end{cases} \tag{4}$$