### Risk Structures: Concepts, Purpose, and the Causality Problem

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#### Part I

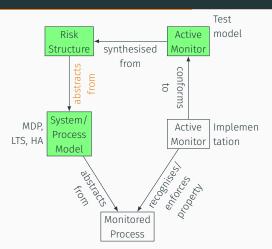
# Risk-aware Systems: Abstraction by Example

Example: Air-traffic Collision Avoidance System (TCAS)

Example: Safe Autonomous Vehicle (SAV)

#### Risk Mitigation / Intervention / Enforcement

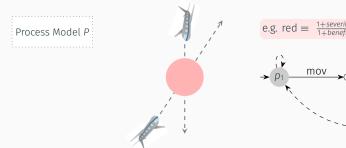
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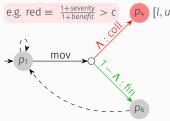


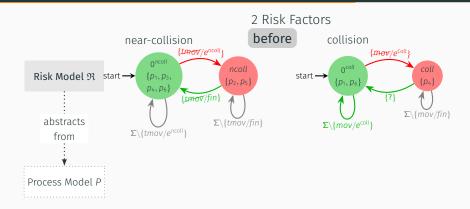
**RQ:** How to build a mitigation monitor? / Which model to use? / Which abstraction? / What do we need to verify?

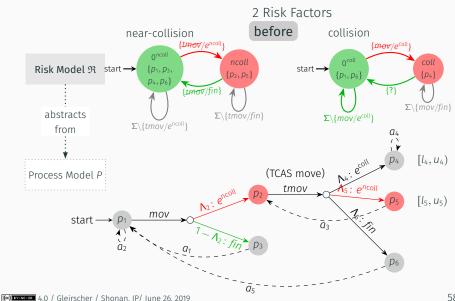
Example: Air-traffic Collision

Avoidance System (TCAS)





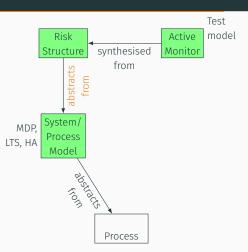




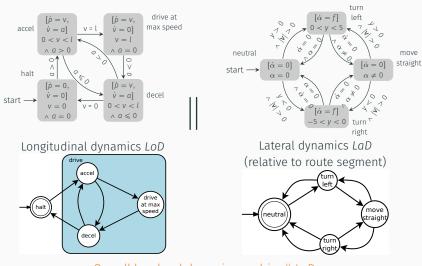
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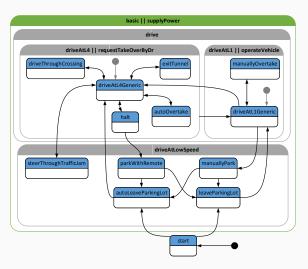
#### SAV: Low Level Vehicle Dynamics



Overall low-level dynamics: drive || LaD

#### SAV: Situational Perspective of Urban Driving

Mode model of the driving activity:



Integration with low level dynamics:

In each mode, verify contract:  $inv \land pre \Rightarrow$  $wp(drive \parallel LaD,$  $inv \land post)$ 

#### SAV: Risk Identification and Assessment

#### **Knowledge sources** for risk/hazard identification, e.g.

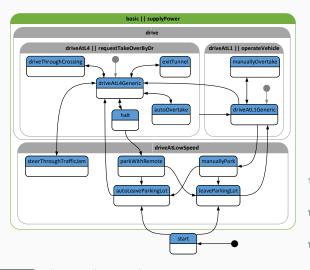
- accident reports
- domain experts
- situation/activity model
- · local dynamics model
- control system architecture
- control software

#### Analysis techniques, e.g.

- · hazard identification: FHA, PHL, ...
- process/scenario analysis: HazOp, LOPA, BA, STPA, ...
- · causal reasoning: ETA, FMEA, FTA, Bowties, ...

#### SAV: Situational Perspective of Urban Driving

#### Mode model of the driving activity:



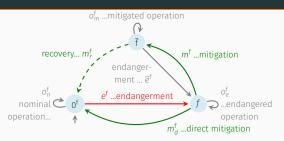
#### Risk factors

#### (YAP script):

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HazardModel for "drive"
      OC alias "on occupied
           course"
      CR alias "increased
           collision risk"
      CC alias "on collision
            course"
      ICS alias "inevitable
           collision state"
     Coll alias "actual
           collision"
      ES alias "perception
13
           system fault"
15
```

#### Risk Structures: Tool Support and Recent Publications

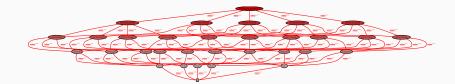




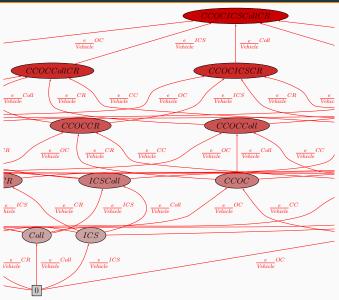
#### **Purposes:**

- Modelling primitive for risk space exploration
- Semantics of basic events in DFTs or DFRTs
- · Synthesis of local enforcement monitors

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Causality (Lewis 1973)

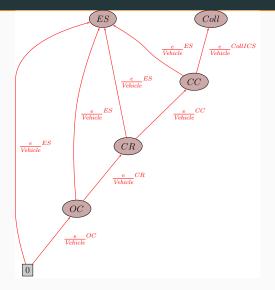
#### Definition (Counterfactual Conditional)

 $A \longrightarrow C$  is nonvacuously true iff C holds at all the closest A-worlds.

What are the closest A-worlds?

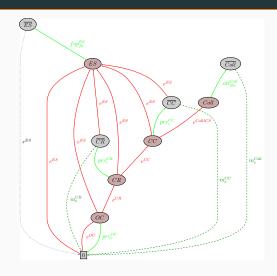
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OperationalSituation "drive"
                                                        excludes (OC)
  2 {
                                               26
                                                        mitigatedBv (PREVENT CRASH.EB)
       include "envPerc";
  4 }
                                               28
                                                     CC alias "on collision course"
                                                        requires (CR)
  6 ControlLoop "Vehicle" for "drive"
                                                        deniesMit (CR,OC)
                                               30
                                                        excludes (CR,OC)
        replan alias "Slow-down || re-plan
                                                        mitigatedBv (PREVENT CRASH.swerve)
  8
             route";
       brake alias "Standard brake";
                                               34
                                                     ICS alias "inevitable collision state"
        swerve alias "Short-term circumvention
                                                        requires (CC)
 10
              of obstacle";
                                                        excludes (CC,CR,OC)
                                               36
                                                        causes (Coll)
              alias "Emergency brake";
                                                        mitigatedBy (PREVENT_CRASH.EB)
       accel alias "Accelerate":
 12
                                               38
       airbag alias "Front airbag":
 14 }
                                                     Coll alias "actual collision"
                                               40
                                                        requires (ICS)
 16 HazardModel for "drive"
                                                        excludes (CC.CR.OC.ICS.ES)
                                               42
                                                        mitigatedBy (ALLEVIATE.airbag)
       OC alias "on occupied course"
 18
                                                        mishap
                                               44
           mitigatedBv (PREVENT CRASH.replan)
 20
           direct
                                                     ES alias "perception system fault"
                                               46
                                                        excludes (CC,CR,OC,ICS)
 22
       CR alias "increased collision risk"
                                               48
                                                        deniesMit (OC,CC)
           requires (OC)
           deniesMit (OC)
                                               50 }
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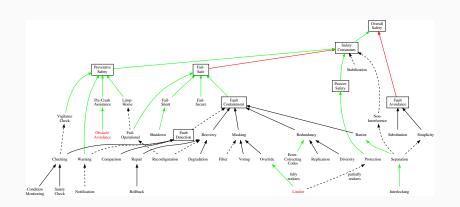


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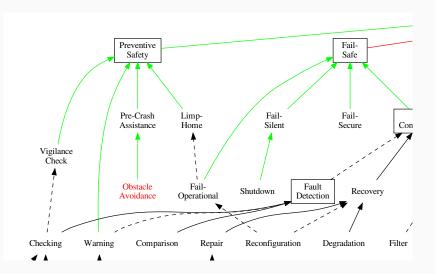
Layered intervention pattern for SAV obstacle avoidance

Nice side-effect: Use pattern as enhanced phase model for similar risk factors

#### **Taxonomy of Mitigations**

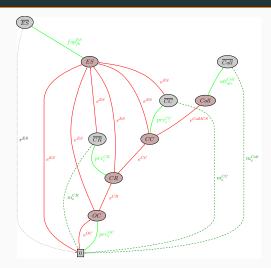


#### **Taxonomy of Mitigations**



#### (Monitor Candidate)

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= Specification of a valid safe system

expected order violated → lack of observability, incomplete monitor, context mismatch?

#### Risk Structures: Templates for Causal Reasoning

A risk structure  $\Re$  is valid iff for

$$s,s',s'',s'''\in R(F),\quad s'''\in Mishaps,\quad e,m,e'\in \Sigma^*$$

 $\forall s,s'''\in R(F),t\in\mathfrak{R}\;\exists s',s''\in R(F),m\in\Sigma^*\colon t=eme'\land$ 

$$s \xrightarrow{e} s' \xrightarrow{m} s'' \xrightarrow{e'} s'''$$

#### Definition (Mitigation from Counterfactual Perspective)

m is mitigation of cause  $c \neq s''$  of a mishap s''' iff e' gets unlikely. (s'', e' form the counterfactual.)

Proof obligations for each t: Check that, from s,

- 1. s" is actual cause of s",
- 2. s' is recognisable,
- 3. from s', m reduces s".

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