

Formal Methods in Software Engineering

Lecture 03 – Organizational Issues

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Organizational Issues

- Tutorial dates:
 - Tuesdays 15:00-16:00 in A310 (before the lecture, same room)
 - Wednesdays 9:00-10:00 in G325
 - I could not find a suitable room to move to Thursday afternoon
- I will be recording/streaming the tutorial on Tuesdays
 - If you want to present something, please *send me your slides at least one hour before the tutorial*, so I can open them on my laptop from where the stream happens
 - example: Subject “[FMSE] presentation of project results”
 - “Hi, I would like to present the results of our project in the tutorial next Tuesday...”

Live Hangout Policy

- I will send an invitation to the live hangout of a lecture or tutorial to the whole FMSE community
 - I'm happy if you join – the more the merrier
- When you join, please set your microphone to mute
- Unmute your microphone when you want to say something
 - I set up speakers, so everyone can hear you
 - I will setup the hangout so that my screen stays in focus. So, nobody will see you. If you want to share something on your screen/camera, let me know, then I'll release the focus from my screen.
 - You can answer to questions I ask
 - I'll try to have a short pause after every slide where you can jump in and ask if you did not understand something
 - It's not impolite to interrupt me! – Don't worry, if it is too much, I'll let you know :)

Feedback to the Lecture/Tutorials

- There is always something about a lecture that **can be improved**
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To improve is to change, so to be perfect is to have changed often.

Winston Churchill

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- There is always something that **somebody will not like**
 - some would like more interactive lectures, others don't
 - some enjoy working in groups, others don't
- There are various ways that you can **provide feedback** to the lecture and **help improve** it
 - personally: talk to me, write me an email
 - anonymously: drop a letter in the mailbox on the G3 floor
 - I will provide ways for you to give feedback
 - There will be an evaluation in the middle of the semester

Feedback to the Lecture/Tutorials

- Participate in the current poll: (it's anonymous)

The screenshot shows a Facebook group interface. On the left is a navigation menu with categories: 'Alle Beiträge', 'Announcements', 'General discussion' (highlighted), 'Forming groups', 'Programming', 'Veranstaltungen', and 'Fotos'. The group profile picture features the 'FM SE' logo and icons of smiley faces and a laptop. The main content area displays a post from 'LUH Formal Methods in Software Engineering TV' with the text 'Share your opinion on the first mini-project!' and 'Vote on the short poll below'. The poll question is 'How do you like the first mini-project?' with a subtext '(programming an LTS model, implementing a parallel composition operator, etc.)'. The poll options are:

- 5 (Exciting)
- 4 (Interesting)
- 3 (Okay)
- 2 (boring)
- 1 (can't stand it)

 A '#Poll' tag is visible in the top right corner of the post area.

If you give feedback... (Feedback Policy)

- Describe your opinion/feelings based on a **concrete situation**
- Formulate your feedback **subjectively**
 - If you generalize, you project your opinion on everyone else – others may feel very differently than you
 - **good (subjective)**: “*I find ... too hard/easy*”, “*I have difficulties understanding ...*”, “*I wish you could ...*”, “*It would help me if ...*”
 - **not good (generalizing)**: “... is too hard/easy”, “nobody can understand ...”, “you should ...”, “it would be better if ...”
- Very helpful: give concrete suggestions for improvement
- If something bothers you, give your feedback **right away**
 - anonymously is fine, **personally is better**: We can think of a possible improvement together or I can explain why I am doing things a certain way

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Lecture 03 – Modeling

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Learning Objective

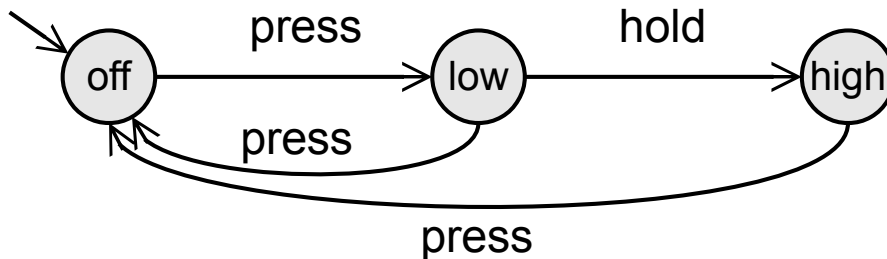
- Understand fundamental modeling concepts and languages for concurrent reactive systems
- Get to know some tools that support modeling and analysis based on these fundamental modeling languages
- Understand that higher-level modeling languages can be mapped to fundamental modeling languages
 - unfolding, composition

Labeled Transition Systems (LTSs)

in the last lecture...

- A **(Labeled) Transition System** is a tuple $TS = (S, \Sigma, T, I)$
 - S is a set of **states**
 - $I \in S$ is the set of **initial states**
 - Σ is an alphabet, an element in Σ is called a **symbol** (a symbol is also called an **input, event, or action**)
 - $T \subseteq S \times \Sigma \times S$ is a **transition relation**
 - an element of T is a **transition**
 - A TS is called **finite** if S and Σ are finite

$S = \{off, low, high\}$
 $I = \{off\}$
 $\Sigma = \{press, hold\}$
 $T = \{(off, press, low),$
 $(low, hold, high),$
 $(low, press, off)$
 $(high, press, off)\}$



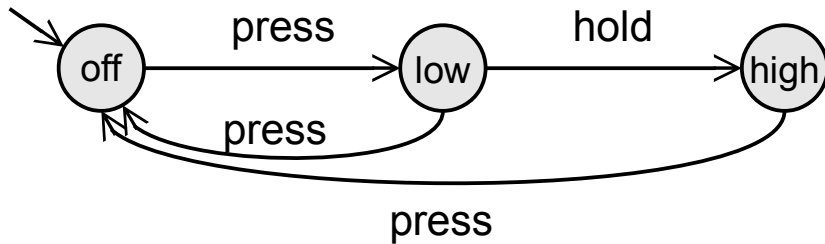
model of a flashlight

Parallel Composition via Handshaking

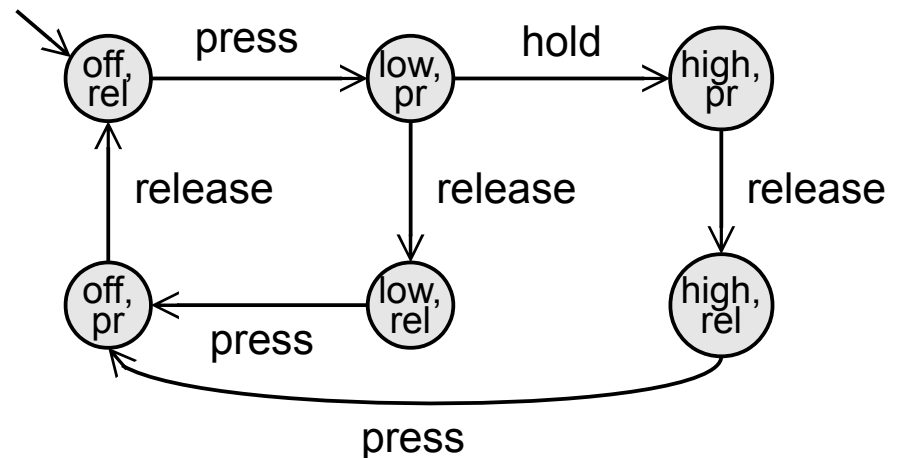
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- Processes synchronize on certain common events
 - transitions with these events are executed simultaneously
 - only if both processes are “ready” execute a common event
 - the other transitions are interleaved

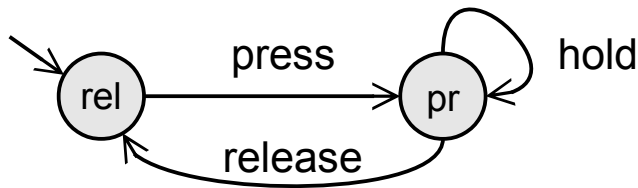
Light



$Light \parallel_{\{press, hold\}} Switch$



Switch



Handshaking

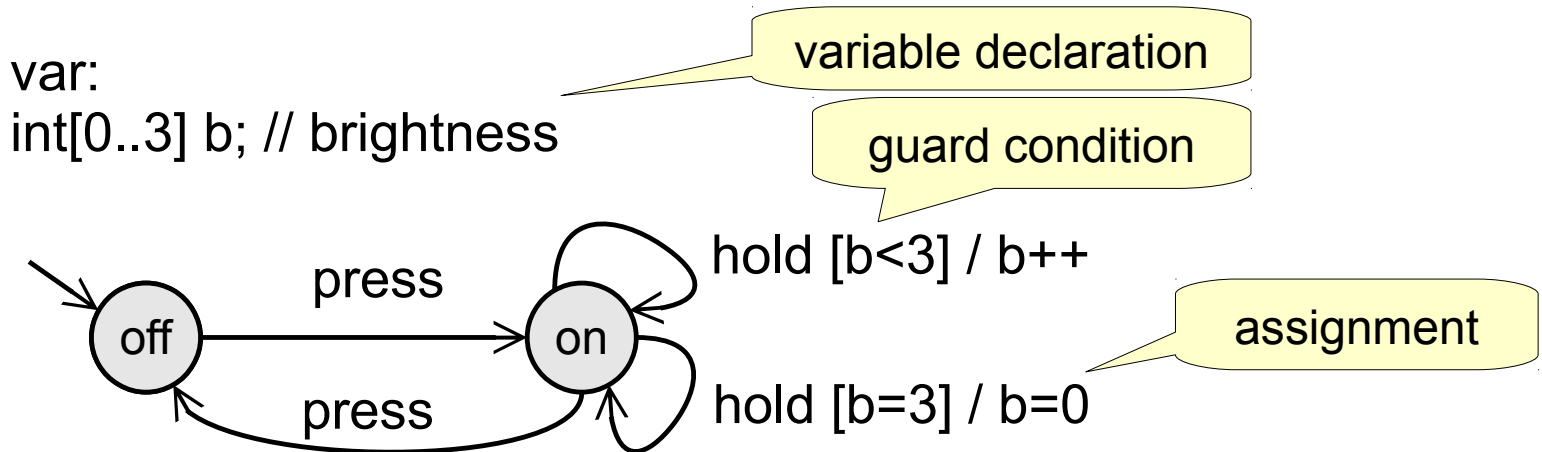
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- Let $TS_1 = (S_1, \Sigma_1, T_1, I_1)$ and $TS_2 = (S_2, \Sigma_2, T_2, I_2)$ be two transition systems and $H \subseteq \Sigma_1 \cap \Sigma_2$ then $TS_1 \parallel_H TS_2$ is defined as follows
 - $TS_1 \parallel_H TS_2 = (S_1 \times S_2, \Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2, T, I_1 \times I_2)$
 - where T is defined by the following rules
 - if $a \in H$ and $(s_1, a, s'_1) \in T_1$ and $(s_2, a, s'_2) \in T_2$ then $(\langle s_1, s_2 \rangle, a, \langle s'_1, s'_2 \rangle) \in T$
 - if $a \in \Sigma_1 \setminus H$ and $(s_1, a, s'_1) \in T_1$ then $(\langle s_1, s_2 \rangle, a, \langle s'_1, s_2 \rangle) \in T$
 - if $a \in \Sigma_2 \setminus H$ and $(s_2, a, s'_2) \in T_2$ then $(\langle s_1, s_2 \rangle, a, \langle s_1, s'_2 \rangle) \in T$
- **If $H = \Sigma_1 \cap \Sigma_2$ we just write $TS_1 \parallel TS_2$ instead of $TS_1 \parallel_H TS_2$**
- If $H = \{\}$ then $TS_1 \parallel_H TS_2$ is equivalent to $TS_1 \parallel\parallel TS_2$
- Handshaking is also called *synchronous message passing*

Variables, Conditions, and Assignments

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- When modeling real-life systems, it is often convenient to
 - consider variables
 - consider guarded transitions
 - and side-effects of transitions on variables (assignments)
- Consider the following extended LTS. (We introduce these concepts in a by-example fashion.)
 - (we can also represent sequential programs this way)



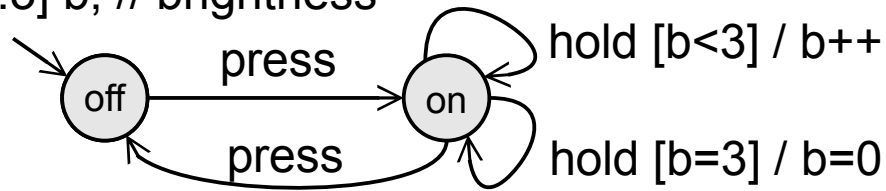
Unfolding

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- An LTS with variables, guard conditions, and assignments can be transformed into a regular LTS via *unfolding*

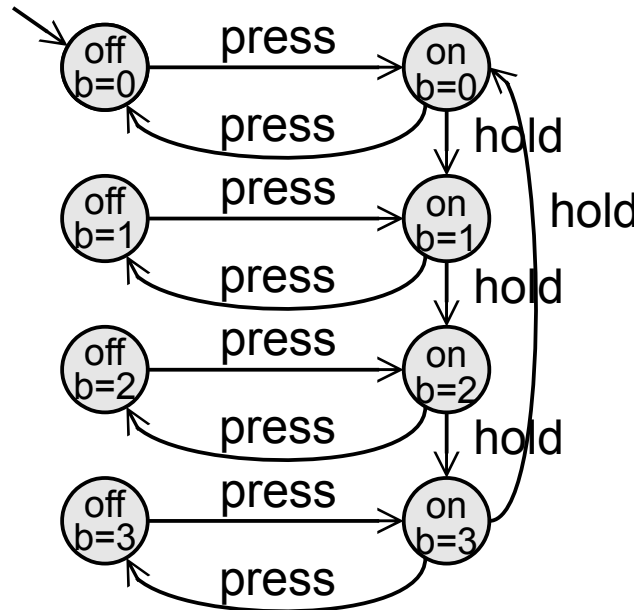
var:

int[0..3] b; // brightness



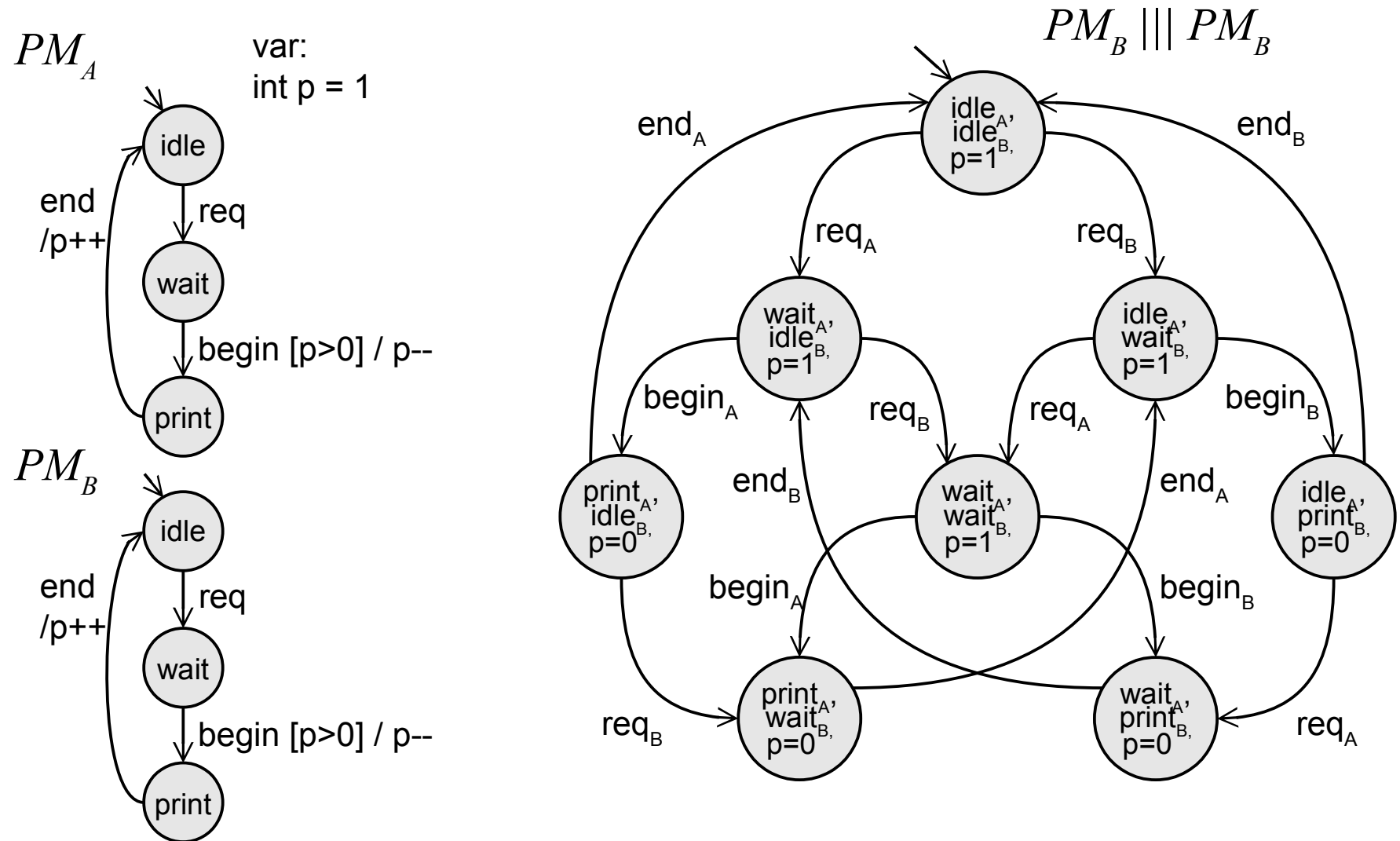
unfolded LTS without variables, guards and assignments:

(“off b=2” is just the name of a state---not a variable!---to illustrate the correspondence)



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- Example: Printer Manager



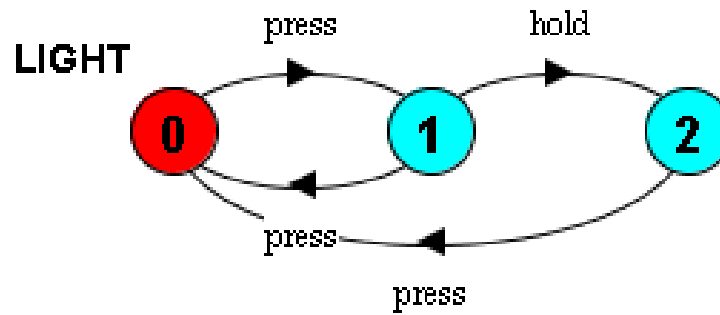
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The screenshot displays the LTSA (Light Switch Animator) tool interface. The main window shows a state transition diagram for a light switch with five states (0-4) and transitions labeled 'press', 'release', and 'hold'. State 0 is the initial state (red), and states 1-4 are subsequent states (cyan). The transitions are: 0 to 1 (press), 1 to 2 (release), 2 to 3 (press), 3 to 4 (hold), 4 to 3 (release), 3 to 2 (release), 2 to 1 (release), and 1 to 0 (release).

The Animator window is open in the foreground, showing a list of events and a control panel. The event list contains: press, hold, release, press, release, press, release. The control panel has 'Run' and 'Step' buttons, and checkboxes for 'press' (checked), 'hold' (unchecked), and 'release' (unchecked).

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- Modeling and verification tool for concurrent systems
- Modeling with *Finite State Processes (FSP)*
 - they can be transformed into Labeled Transition Systems (LTS)

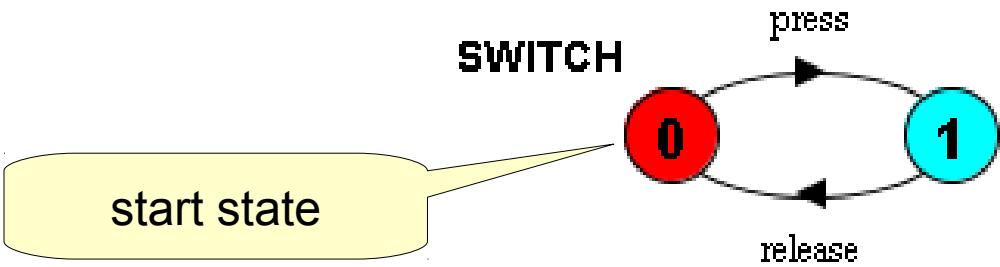
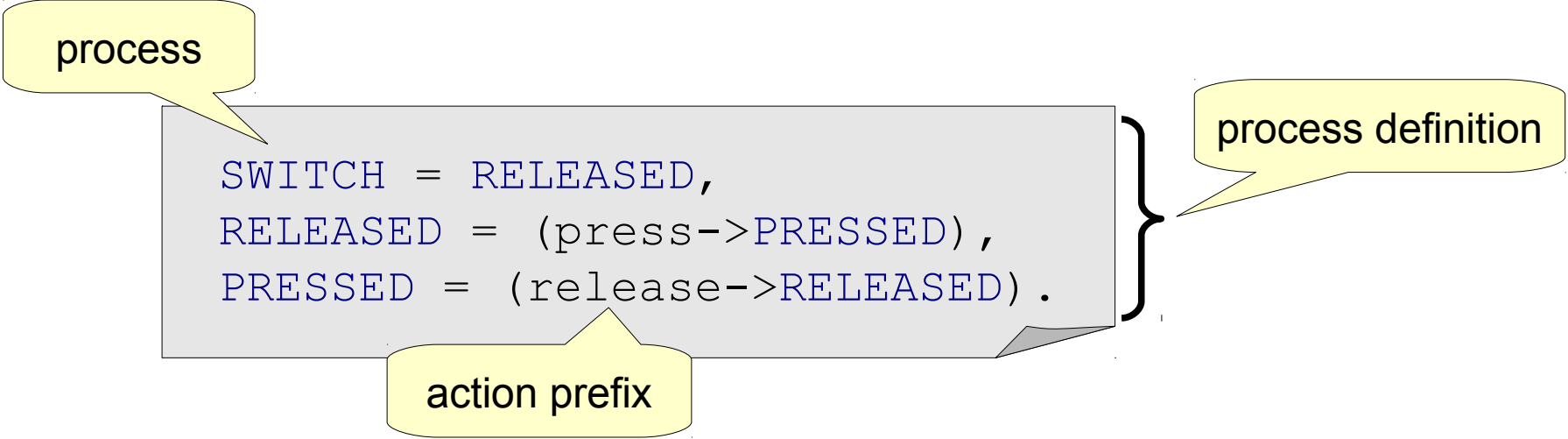


- Supports some rich language features
 - composition via handshaking “||”
 - shared variables
 - multiple “instances” of processes (process labeling)
- Supports deadlock detection and automated verification

Finite State Processes (FSP)

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- The graphical notation for LTSs becomes unmanageable for big processes / transition systems
- Alternative: Textual, algebraic notation



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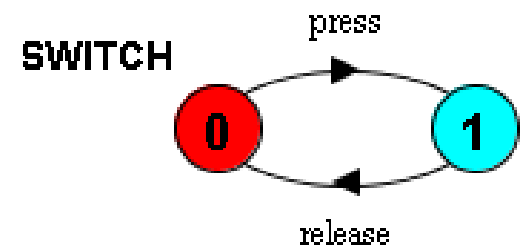
- The following process definitions are equivalent:

```
SWITCH = RELEASED,  
RELEASED = (press->PRESSED),  
PRESSED = (release->RELEASED) .
```

```
SWITCH = RELEASED,  
RELEASED = (press->(release->RELEASED)) .
```

```
SWITCH = (press->(release->SWITCH)) .
```

again the corresponding LTS:

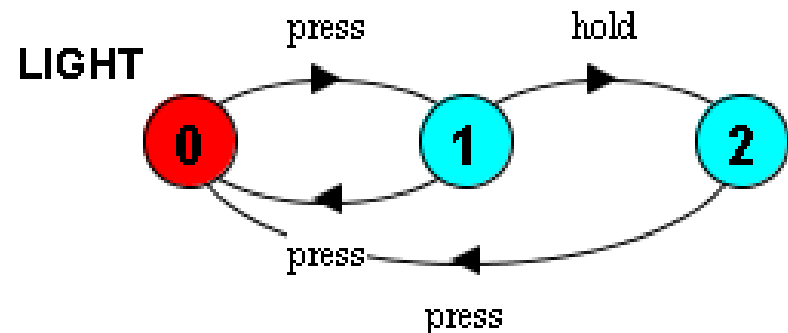


Choice

- “`LIGHT_LOW` engages either in the actions `hold` or `press`. Then behaves as `LIGHT_HIGH` or `LIGHT_OFF`, respectively”

```
LIGHT_LOW = (hold->LIGHT_HIGH|press->LIGHT_OFF)
```

- Full `Light` example:



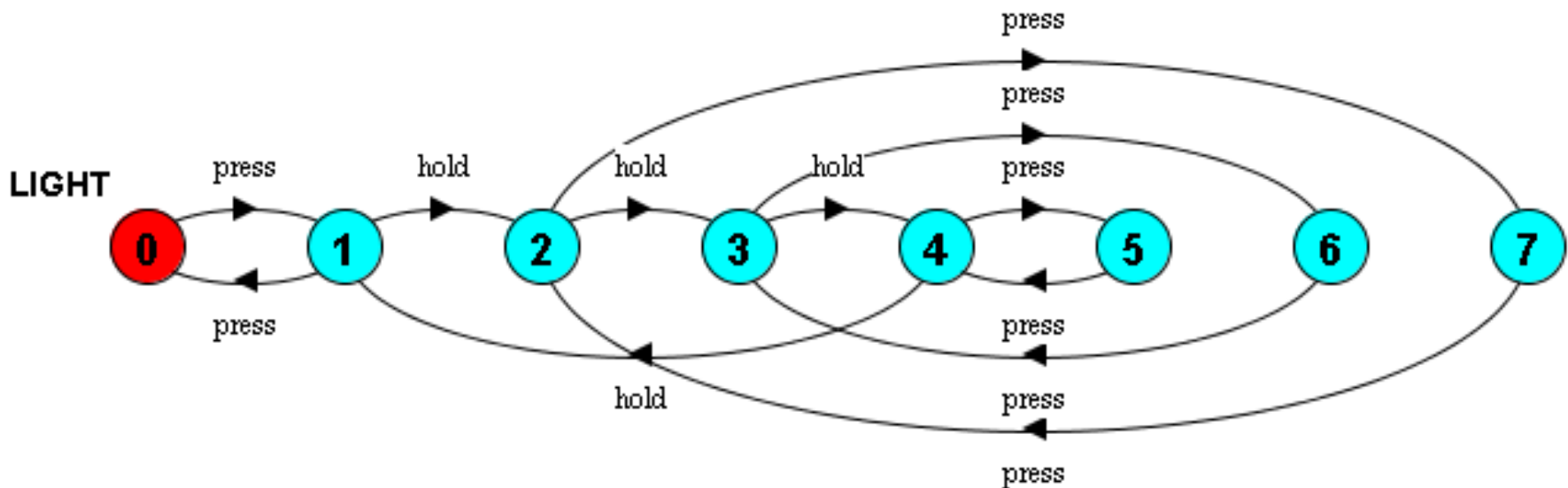
```

LIGHT = LIGHT_OFF,
LIGHT_OFF = (press->LIGHT_LOW),
LIGHT_LOW = (hold->LIGHT_HIGH|press->LIGHT_OFF),
LIGHT_HIGH = (press->LIGHT_OFF).
  
```

Variables and Conditions

```
const N = 3
range Brightness = 0..N
```

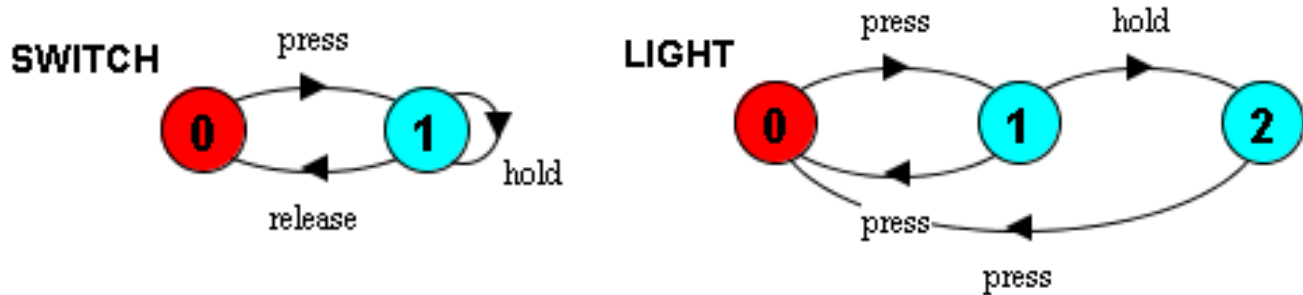
```
LIGHT = OFF[0],
OFF[b: Brightness] = (press->ON[b]),
ON[b: Brightness] = (press->OFF[b]
  |when (b<N) hold->ON[b+1]
  |when (b==N) hold->ON[0]).
```



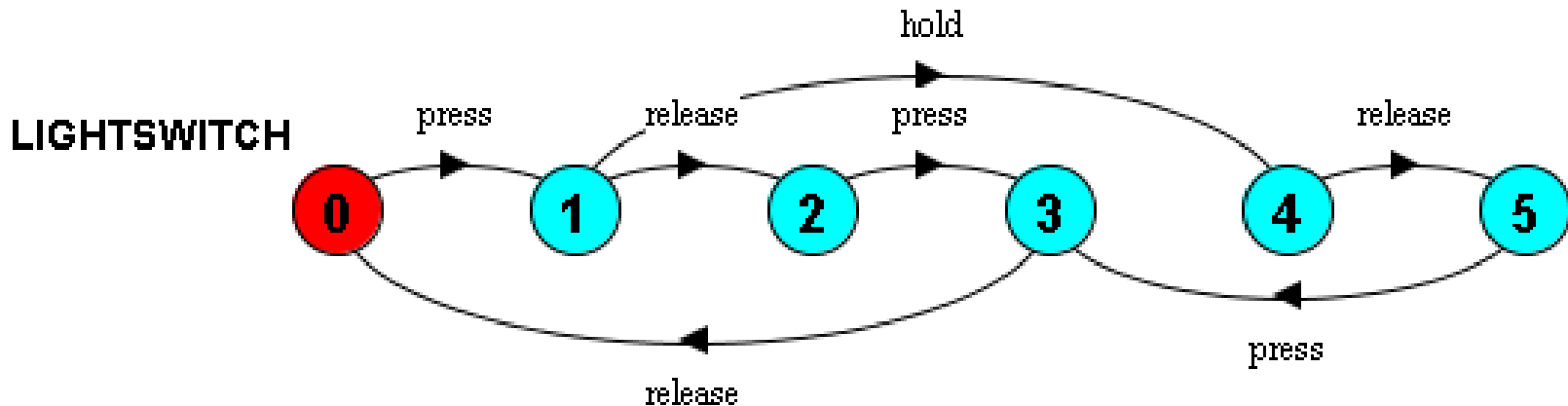
Parallel Composition

- Composite process definitions are preceded by “||”
- Shared actions must be executed at the same time by all processes that share the action

• Example:



|| LIGHTSWITCH = (LIGHT || SWITCH) .



The screenshot displays the LTSA tool interface. The main window shows a state transition diagram for a component named "LIGHTSWITCH". The diagram consists of five states: 0 (red), 1 (cyan), 2 (cyan), 3 (cyan), and 4 (cyan). Transitions are labeled with actions: "press", "release", and "hold".

```

    graph LR
      0((0)) -- press --> 1((1))
      1 -- release --> 2((2))
      2 -- press --> 3((3))
      3 -- hold --> 4((4))
      4 -- release --> 3
      3 -- release --> 2
      2 -- release --> 1
      1 -- release --> 0
      4 -- release --> 0
  
```

An "Animator" window is open in the foreground, showing a list of actions and their execution status:

- press
- hold
- release
- press
- release
- press
- release

On the right side of the Animator window, there are "Run" and "Step" buttons, and a list of actions with checkboxes:

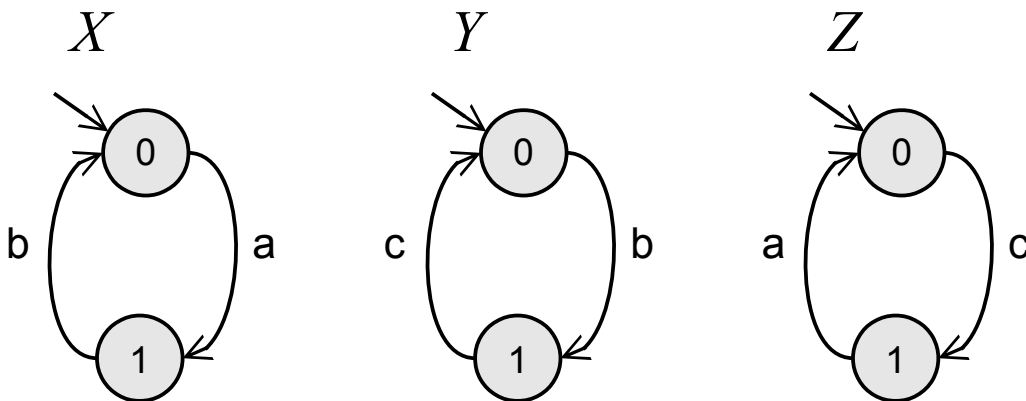
- press
- hold
- release

Handshaking

- Handshake is **associative** if transition systems synchronize over their common actions
 - $(TS_1 \parallel TS_2) \parallel TS_3 = TS_1 \parallel (TS_2 \parallel TS_3)$
- But handshaking is not generally associative
 - $(TS_1 \parallel_H TS_2) \parallel_{H'} TS_3 \neq TS_1 \parallel_H (TS_2 \parallel_{H'} TS_3)$ for $H' \neq H$

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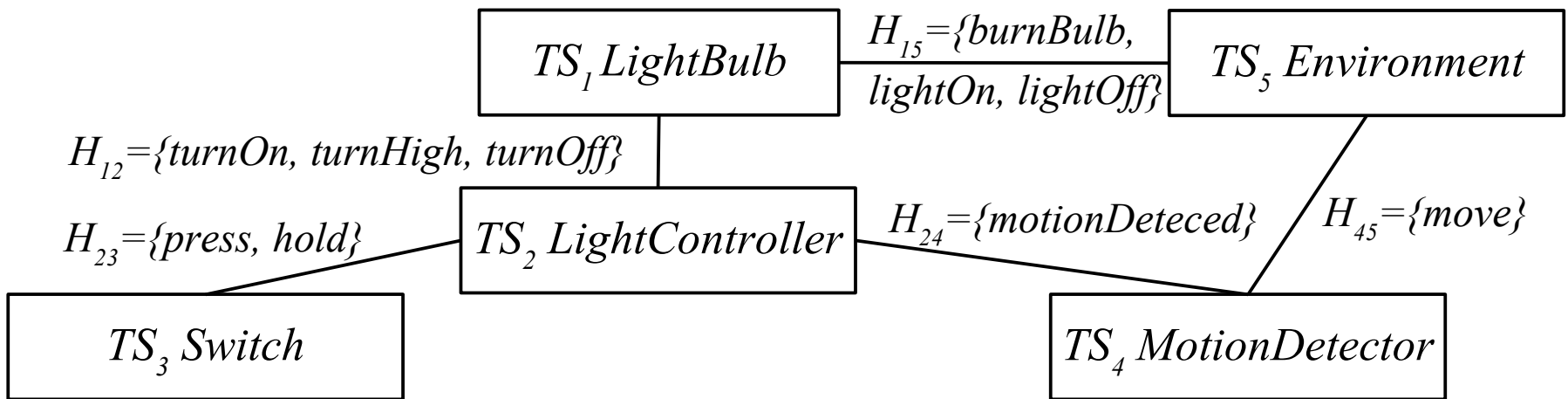


$$(X \parallel_{\{b\}} Y) \parallel_{\{c\}} Z \neq X \parallel_{\{b\}} (Y \parallel_{\{c\}} Z)$$

Pairwise Handshaking

- Sometimes we want to model processes that communicate in a pairwise fashion (have an “n-ary” composition operator)
 - $TS = TS_1 \parallel TS_2 \parallel \dots \parallel TS_n$
- TS_i and TS_j ($0 < i \neq j \leq n$) must perform any transition labeled with an event from $H_{ij} = \Sigma_i \cap \Sigma_j$ together
 - associative if $H_{ij} \cap \Sigma_k = \{\}$ for any $k \notin \{i, j\}$

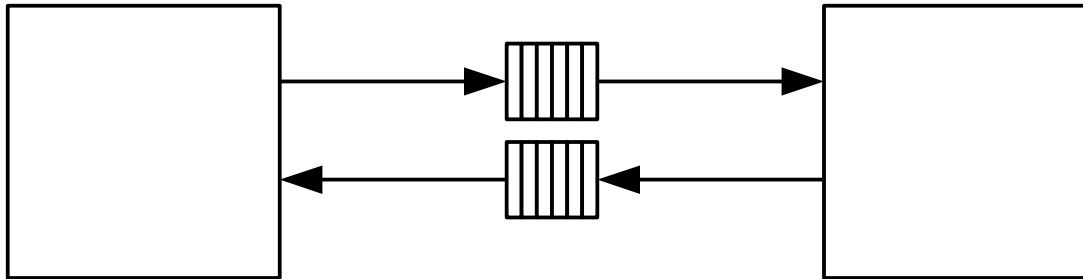
an event is shared by at most two LTSs



Switch || *MotionDetector* || *LightController* || *LightBulb* || *Environment*

Messages and Channels

- Processes communicate by sending messages over channels
 - asynchronous: messages can be stored in a FIFO buffer (we will get back to these later)

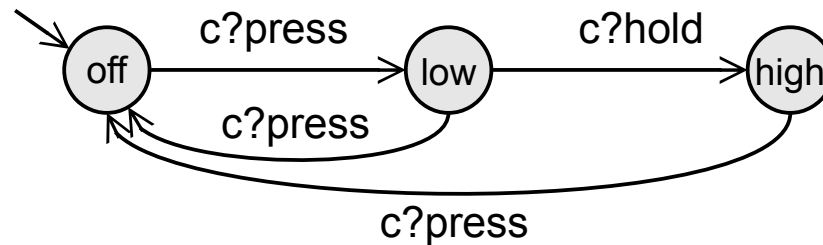


- synchronous: messages are sent and received at the same time
 - similar to handshaking, but introduces a direction
 - buffer of size “zero”

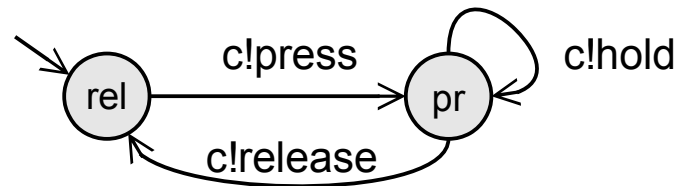
Messages and Channels

- “c!press” means that “press” is sent over channel “c”
- “c?press” means that “press” is received over channel “c”

Light

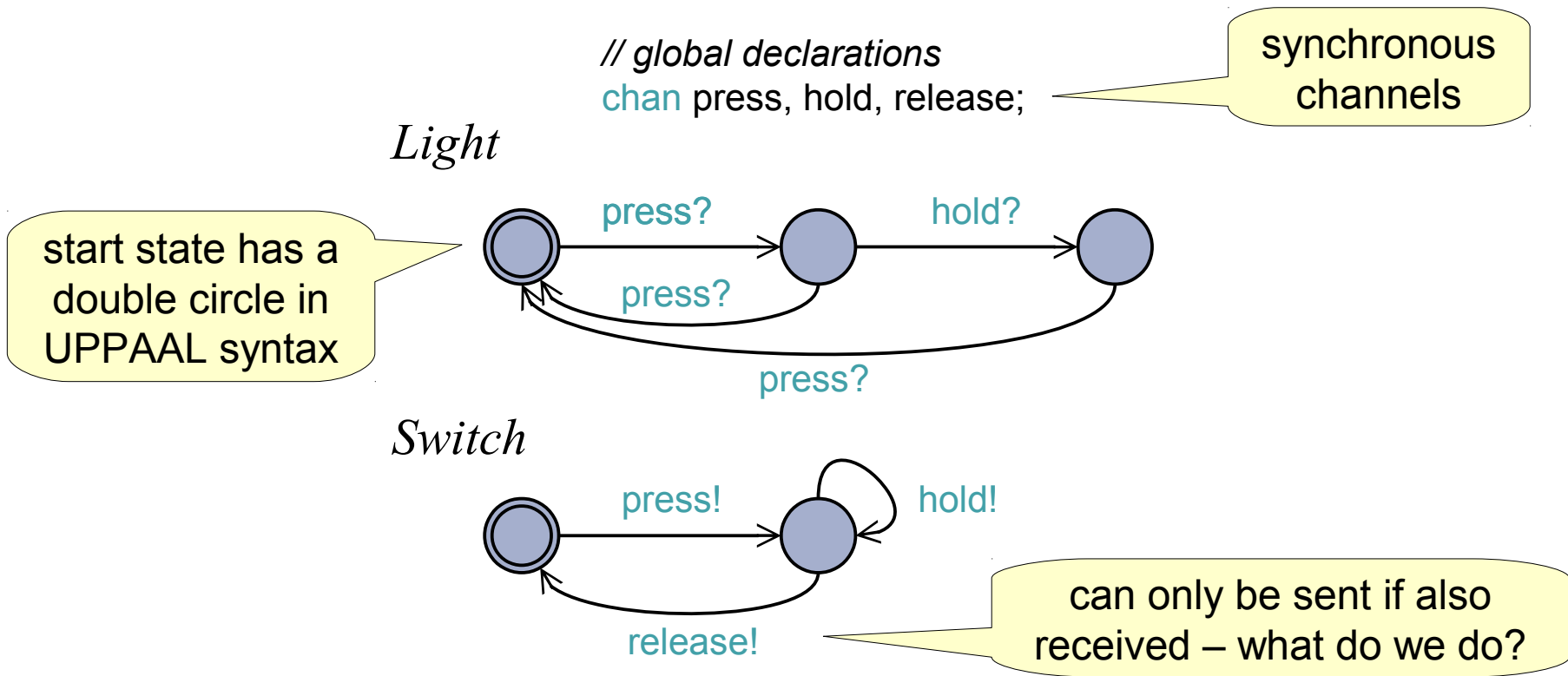


Switch



Messages and Channels

- Some tools have simplified concepts of channels and events
- In UPPAAL, the channel name is the event name
 - Example: The light switch modeled in UPPAAL



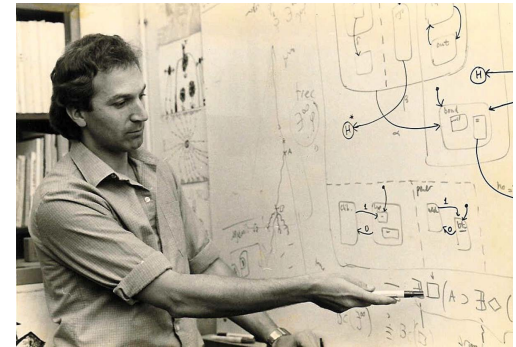
UPPAAL Tool

UPPAAL website: <http://www.uppaal.org/>

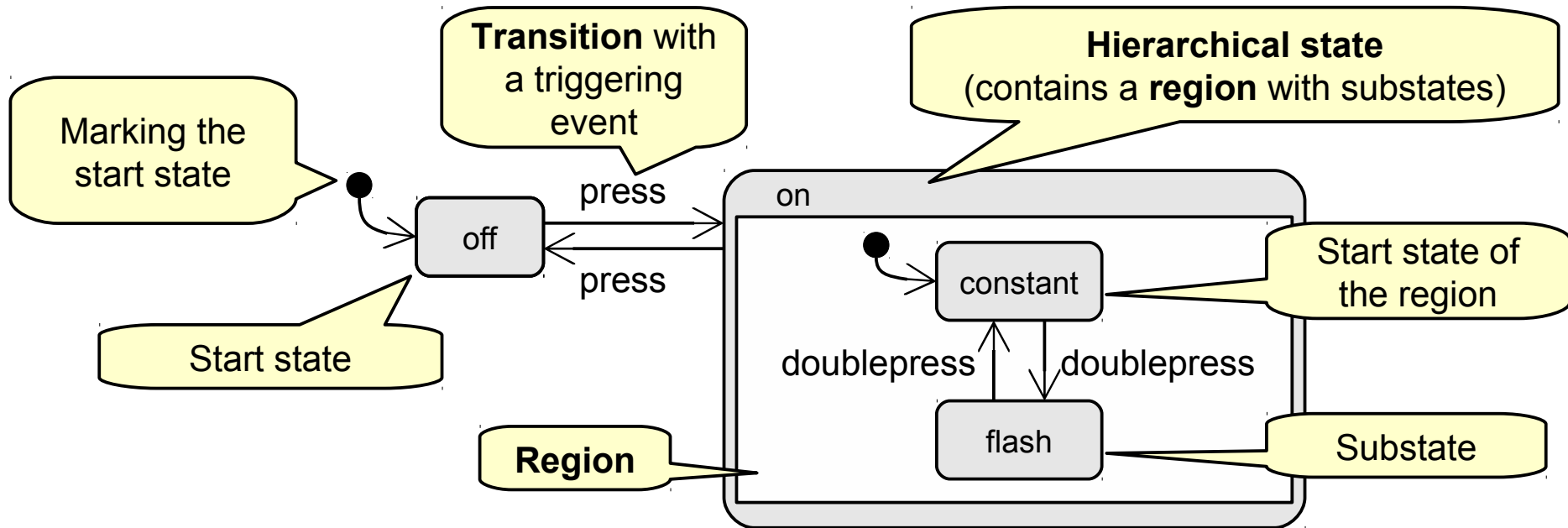
The screenshot displays the UPPAAL tool interface for a simulation. The window title is "C:/e362/ws-tex/Formal-Methods-in-Software-Engineering/WS14-15/lecture/03/examples/light-switch.xml - UPPAAL". The interface is divided into several sections:

- Menu and Toolbar:** Includes "File", "Edit", "View", "Tools", "Options", and "Help". The toolbar contains icons for file operations and simulation control.
- Editor/Verifier Tabs:** The "Verifier" tab is active.
- Enabled Transitions:** A list showing "Switch1" as the currently selected transition. "Next" and "Reset" buttons are present below the list.
- Simulation Trace:** A log of simulation events:
 - (-, -)
 - press: Switch1 --> Light1
 - (-, -)
 - hold: Switch1 --> Light1
 - (-, -)
 - Switch1
 - (-, -)
 - press: Switch1 --> Light1
 - (-, -)
 The "Trace File:" field is empty. Below the trace are buttons for "Prev", "Next", "Replay", "Open", "Save", and "Auto". A speed slider is at the bottom, ranging from "Slow" to "Fast".
- State Transition Diagrams:**
 - Light1:** A state machine with three states. The initial state (red dot) has a "press?" transition to the middle state. From the middle state, a "hold?" transition leads to the final state. From the final state, a "press?" transition returns to the initial state. There is also a self-loop "press?" transition on the initial state.
 - Switch1:** A state machine with two states. The initial state (blue dot) has a "press!" transition to the final state (red dot). From the final state, a "hold!" transition loops back to the initial state.
- Simulation Trace Diagram:** A sequence of states for "Light1" and "Switch1" connected by vertical arrows. Red arrows labeled "press" and "hold" indicate the transitions between states in the trace.

- Statecharts are an extension of finite state machines
 - Extended with variables, conditions, assignments, hierarchical and orthogonal states, ...
 - invented by David Harel in 1984
 - Harel, D. Statecharts: a visual formalism for complex systems, *Science of Computer Programming*, 1987, 8, 231-274
<http://www.wisdom.weizmann.ac.il/~harel/papers/Statecharts.pdf>
 - see also <http://dl.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=1238849>
- Statecharts have later been adopted by the UML

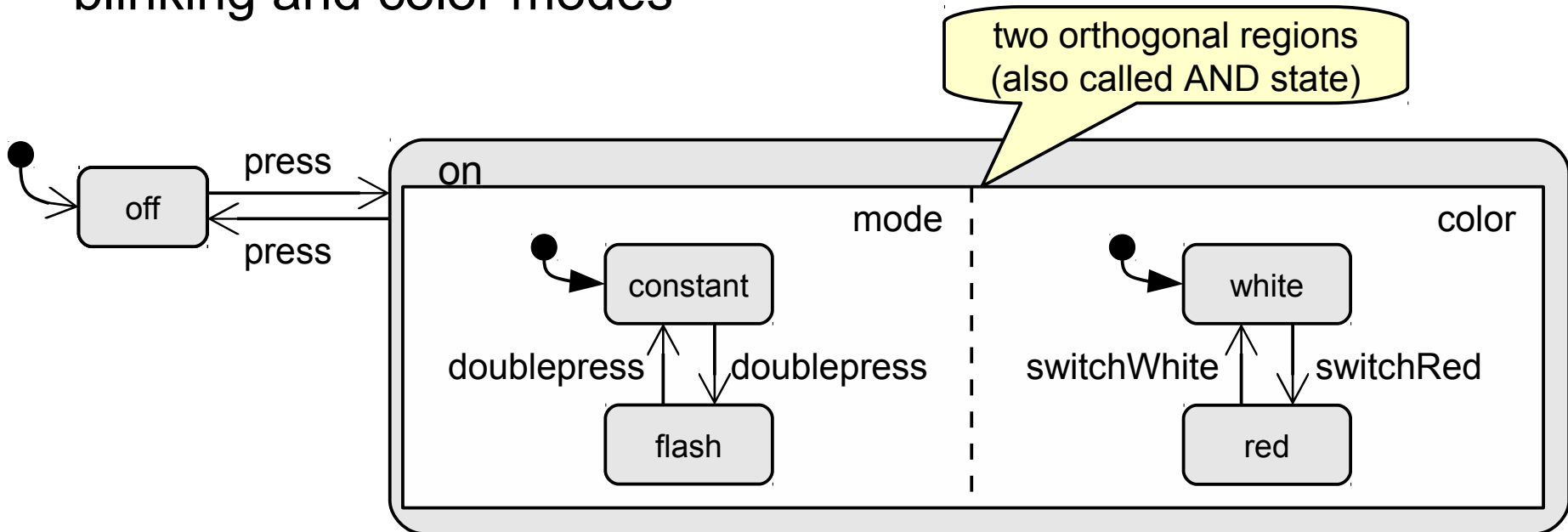


Another Flashlight Example



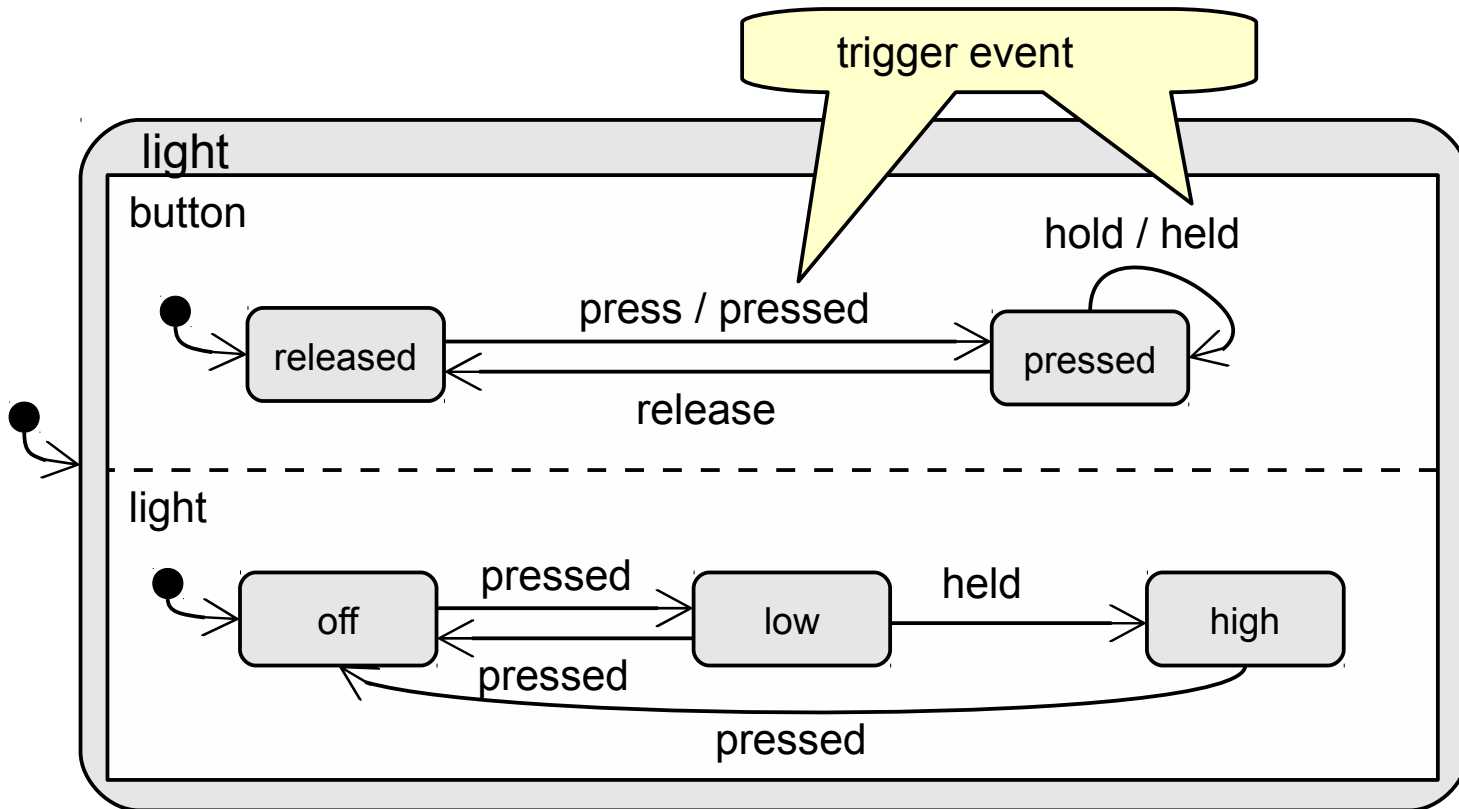
A Statechart with Orthogonal Regions

- Orthogonal regions progress concurrently
 - a system in the superstate is in one state of each contained orthogonal region
 - used to model independent active behavior in a superstate
- Simple example: Lamp that is on can independently switch blinking and color modes



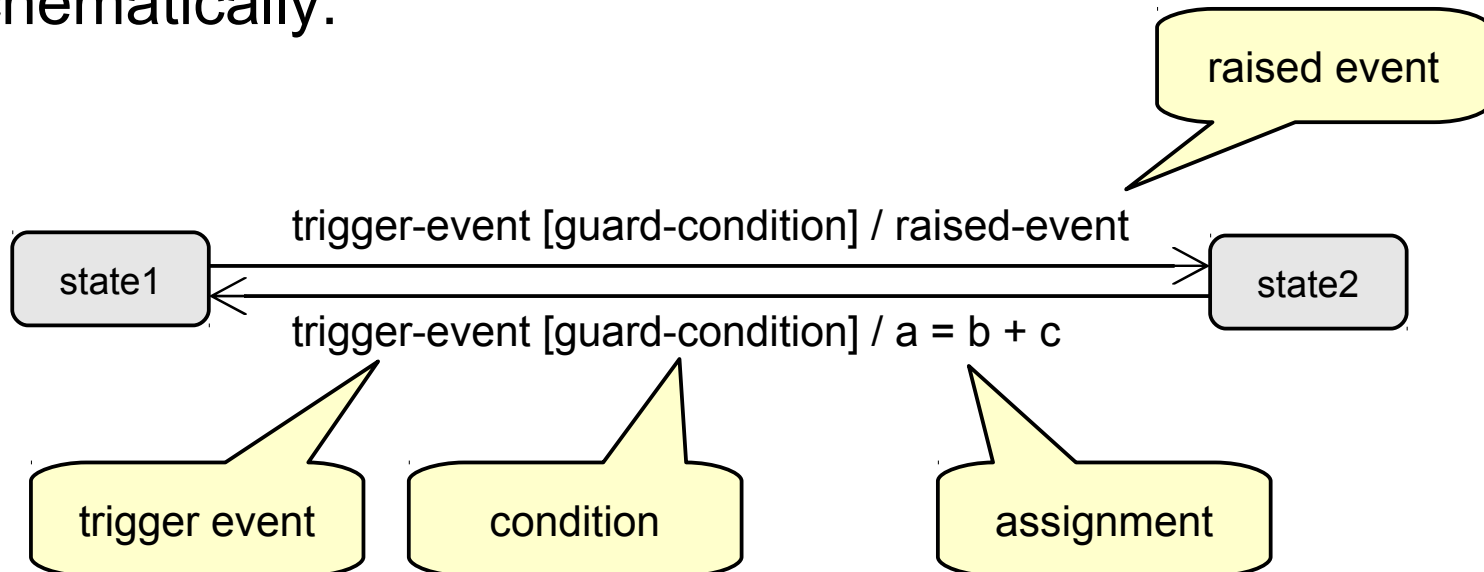
A Statechart with Orthogonal Regions

- Transitions can raise events
- Events can trigger transitions in orthogonal regions
 - Enabled transitions triggered by an event fire synchronously with enabled transitions raising the same event



Transition Labels – Summary

- Transitions in Statecharts
 - can have a trigger event
 - can have a guard condition
 - can raise a event
 - can have further side-effects
 - e.g. assign a new value to a variable, call a method
- Schematically:

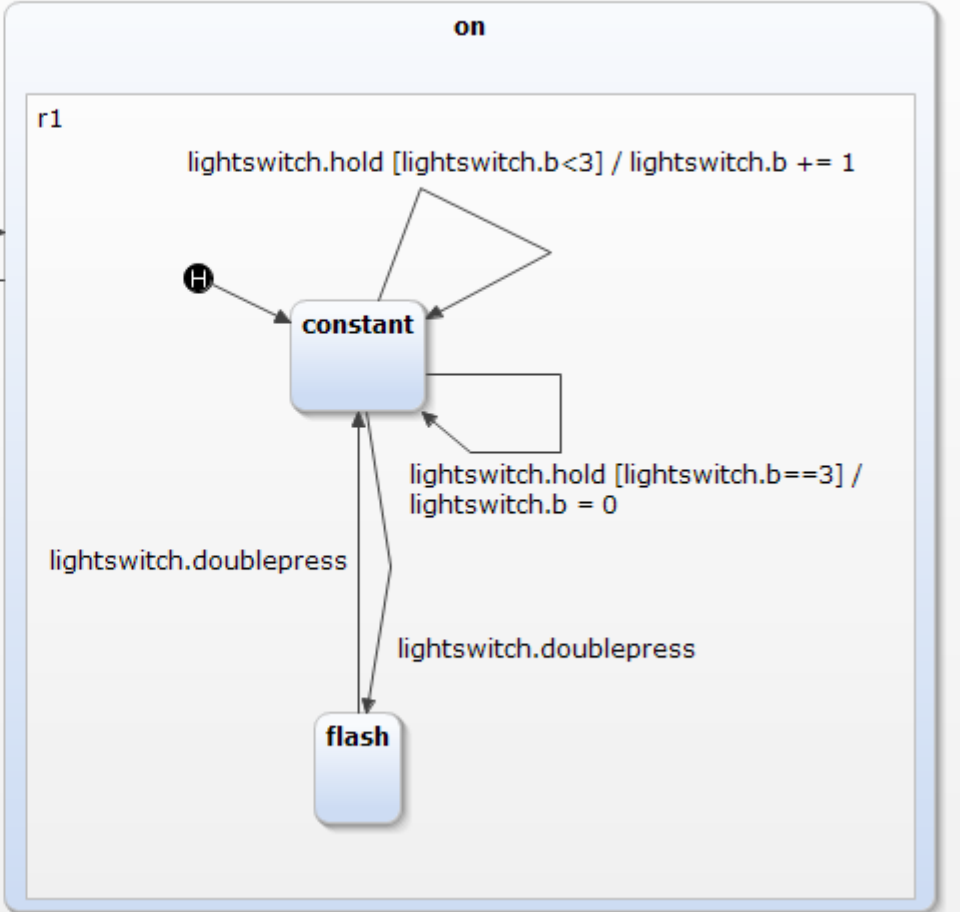
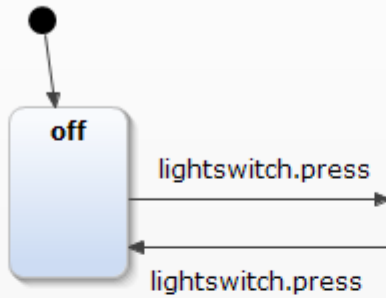


Try it out: Yakindu Statechart Tools

```

lightswitch
interface lightswitch:
in event press
in event hold
in event doublepress
var b: integer
  
```

main region



(Screenshot from Yakindu Statechart Tools <http://statecharts.org/>)

Another example with orthogonal states

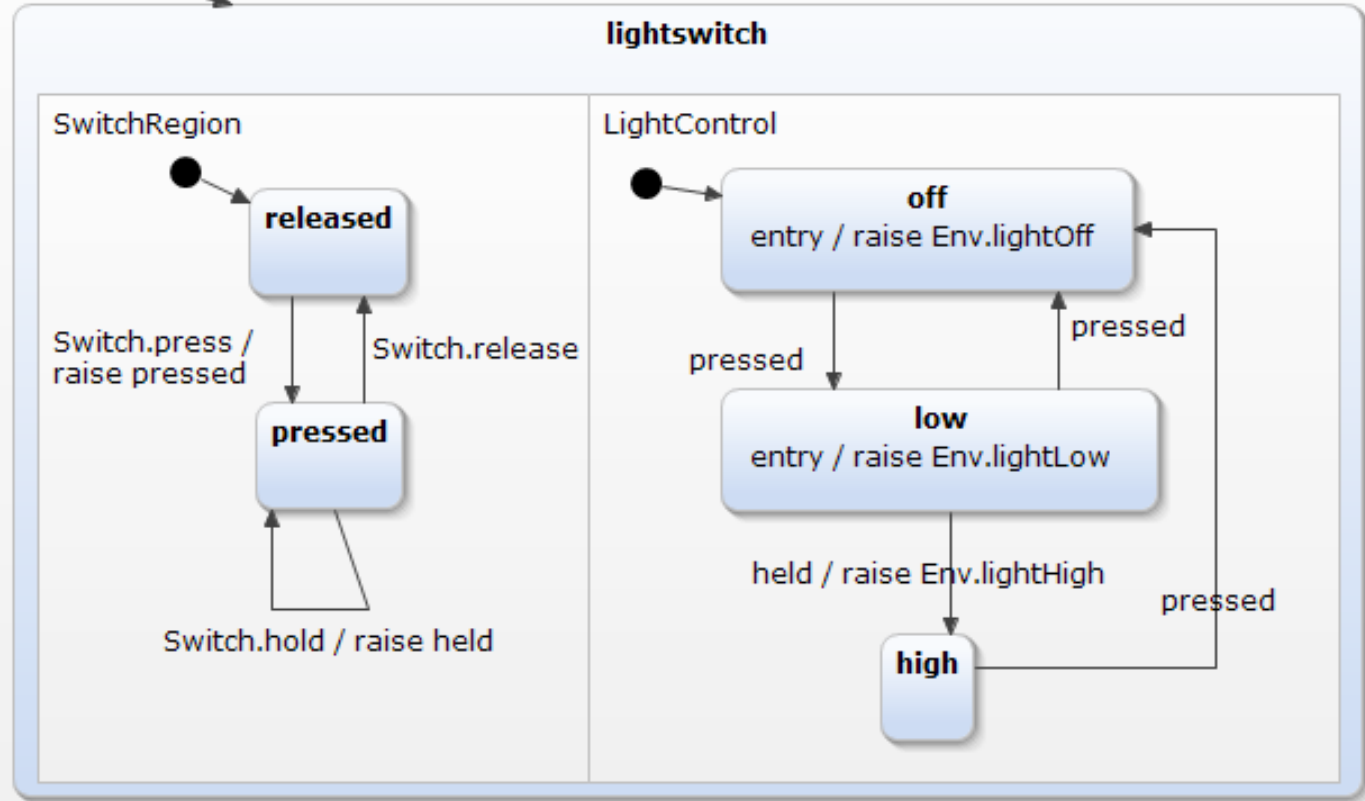
light

interface Switch:
 in event press
 in event release
 in event hold

interface Env:
 out event lightOff
 out event lightLow
 out event lightHigh

internal:
 event pressed
 event held

main region



Another example with orthogonal states

Interfaces: Events that can be received from or sent to external objects

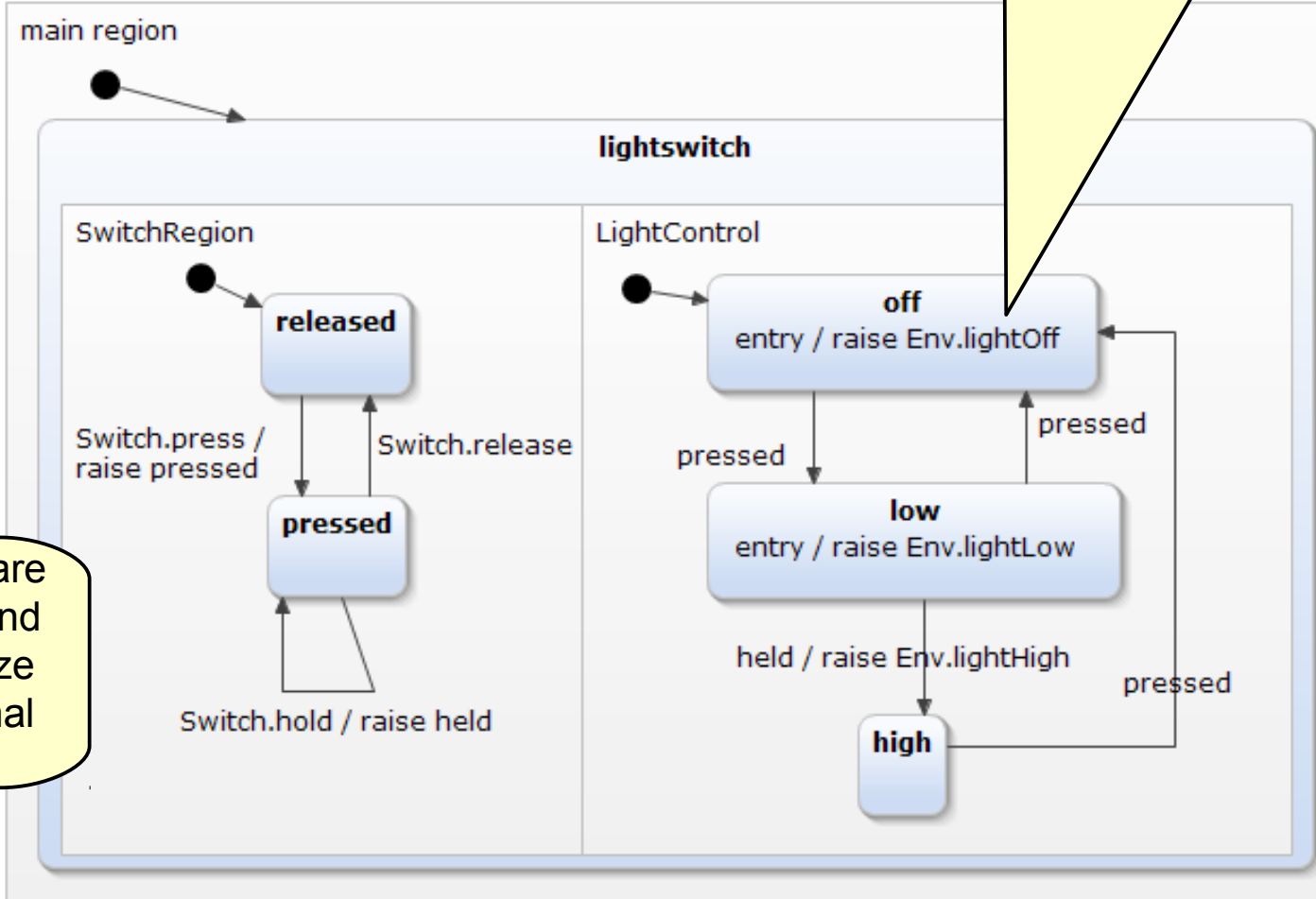
entry-action: events can be raised or assignments/methods can be executed when entering a state.

light
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 in event press
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 in event hold

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internal:
 event pressed
 event held

internal events: they are not externally visible and are used to synchronize transitions in orthogonal states



Learning Objective

- Understand fundamental modeling concepts and languages for concurrent reactive systems
- Get to know some tools that support modeling and analysis based on these fundamental modeling languages
- Understand that higher-level modeling languages can be mapped to fundamental modeling languages
 - unfolding, composition
- Next time: Modeling Methodology Basics and

Assignment

- Model the light and switch example with the three brightness levels (using variables, conditions, and assignments)
 1. with LTSA (see the example in the slides above)
 2. with UPPAAL
 3. with Yakindu Statechart Tools
 - Model the light and switch using concurrent LTSs (LTSA) resp. automata (UPPAAL) resp. orthogonal states (Statecharts)
 - 2 and 3 can be presented in the tutorials
- Read:
 - Zave, P. & Jackson, M. Four dark corners of requirements engineering, ACM Trans. Softw. Eng. Methodol., ACM, 1997, 6, 1-30 (<http://dl.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=237434>)
 - and try to understand the relationship of requirements, (software) specification, and domain knowledge