

# From SAN to PEPA: a Technology Transfer

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# 1. Introduction

## Traditional performance models

- Synchronisation constraints
- System size constraint
  - Complex models
  - Exponential growth of the number of states

## New formalisms

- Stochastic Petri Nets (SPN)
- Stochastic Automata Networks (SAN)
- Stochastic Process Algebra (SPA)

# 1. Introduction

## State space explosion problem

- A compact representation of the generator matrix  
→ to avoid the generation of the complete matrix (SAN, SPN)
- An aggregation or decomposition technique  
→ to reduce the model size (SPN, PEPA)

## Objective

- The functional dependencies in PEPA models
- The compact representation of the generator matrix in PEPA

## 2. SAN Formalism

- A Stochastic Automata Network (SAN) is a set of  $N$  finite state automata and  $s$  synchronization events.

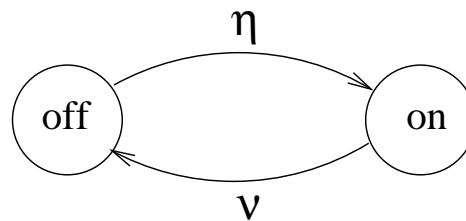
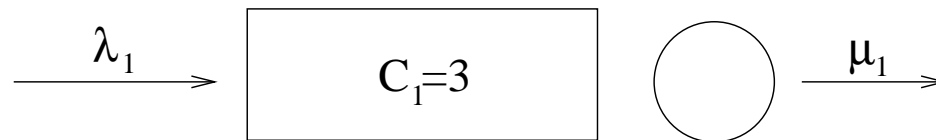
An automaton consists of

- states,
  - local transitions: fixed or network-dependent rates ( $F_i$ ),
  - synchronized transitions ( $S_{i,e}$ ).
- The whole SAN is associated to a multidimensionnal continuous (discrete) time Markov chain.

$$Q = \bigoplus_{i=1}^N F_i + \sum_{e \in \varepsilon} \tau_e \left( \bigotimes_{i=1}^N S_{i,e} + \bigotimes_{i=1}^N \bar{S}_{i,e} \right)$$

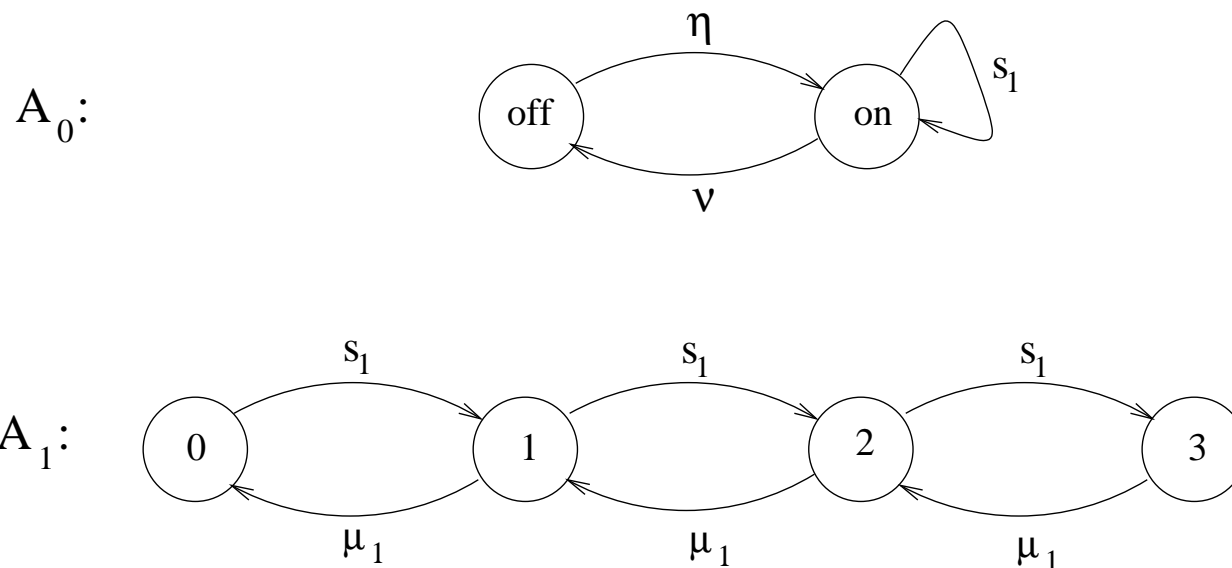
## 2. SAN Formalism

*Example 1:*



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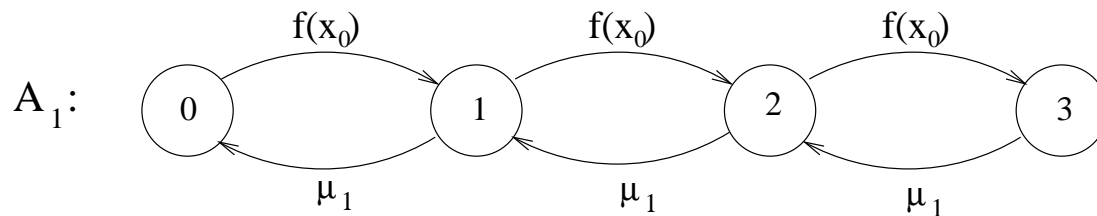
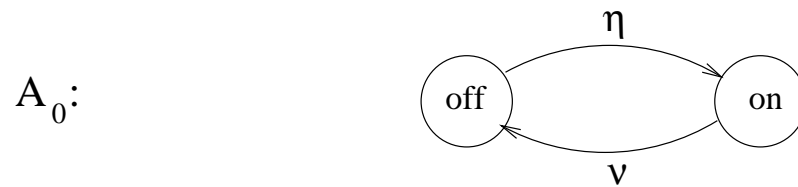
- Automata Interaction *by synchronizations*



where  $S_1$  rate is  $\lambda_1$ .

## 2. SAN Formalism

- Automata Interaction *by function*



$$\text{where } f(x_0) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x_0 = \text{on} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



### 3. PEPA Formalism

**System** = set of *components* which interact between them.

They engage, either singly or multiply, in *activities*.

- An activity **a** is characterised by:
  - an *action type*:  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$
  - a *duration* which is a r.v. exponentially distributed:  $1/r$
- The set of activities is defined as  $\mathcal{Act} \subseteq \mathcal{A} \times R^+$  where

$$R^+ = \{r | r > 0; r \in R\} \cup \{\top\}$$

### 3. PEPA Formalism

- Interaction in PEPA *by cooperation*

$$Buffer_0 \stackrel{def}{=} (in, \top).Buffer_1$$

$$Buffer_1 \stackrel{def}{=} (in, \top).Buffer_2 + (service, \mu).Buffer_0$$

$$Buffer_2 \stackrel{def}{=} (in, \top).Buffer_3 + (service, \mu).Buffer_1$$

$$Buffer_3 \stackrel{def}{=} (service, \mu).Buffer_2$$

$$Arrival_{on} \stackrel{def}{=} (in, \lambda).Arrival_{on} + (off, \nu).Arrival_{off}$$

$$Arrival_{off} \stackrel{def}{=} (on, \eta).Arrival_{on}$$

$$System \stackrel{def}{=} Buffer_0 \underset{\{in\}}{\bowtie} Arrival_{on}$$

## 4. Functional Dependencies

- **One component**

- the rate value depends on the component state  
=> the rate is a positive number and can never be zero

- **Several components**

- an activity to be performed by a component depends on the current state of one or more other components
- the rate value depends on the components current state  
=> the rate is a positive number and can be zero

The set of activities  $Act$  is now defined as  $Act \subseteq \mathcal{A} \times R^*$  where

$$R^* = \{r | r \geq 0; r \in R\} \cup \{T\}$$

## 4.1. Modelling Flexibility

- Component interaction *by cooperation*

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## 4.1. Modelling Flexibility

- **Component interaction** *by functions*

$$Buffer_0 \stackrel{def}{=} (in, \lambda \times f).Buffer_1$$

$$Buffer_1 \stackrel{def}{=} (in, \lambda \times f).Buffer_2 + (service, \mu).Buffer_0$$

$$Buffer_2 \stackrel{def}{=} (in, \lambda \times f).Buffer_3 + (service, \mu).Buffer_1$$

$$Buffer_3 \stackrel{def}{=} (service, \mu).Buffer_2$$

$$Arrival_{on} \stackrel{def}{=} (off, \nu).Arrival_{off}$$

$$Arrival_{off} \stackrel{def}{=} (on, \eta).Arrival_{on}$$

$$\text{where } f(i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = on \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$System \stackrel{def}{=} Buffer_0 || Arrival_{on}$$

## 4.2. Model Size Reduction

*Example 2:* The resource sharing system

- $N$  processors
- $M$  resources with  $M \leq N$
- Different rates:  $\lambda_i, \mu_i, 1 \leq i \leq N$
  
- **PEPA Model** *without functions*
  - Components  $Processor_0^{(i)}, 1 \leq i \leq N$
  - Component  $NumberR_0$

## 4.2. Model Size Reduction

$$Processor_0^{(i)} \stackrel{def}{=} (use_i, \lambda_i).Processor_1^{(i)}$$

$$Processor_1^{(i)} \stackrel{def}{=} (free_i, \mu_i).Processor_0^{(i)}$$

$$NumberR_0 \stackrel{def}{=} \sum_{i=1}^N (use_i, \top).NumberR_1$$

$$NumberR_1 \stackrel{def}{=} \sum_{i=1}^N (use_i, \top).NumberR_2 + \sum_{i=1}^N (free_i, \top).NumberR_0$$

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$$NumberR_M \stackrel{def}{=} \sum_{i=1}^N (free_i, \top).NumberR_{M-1}$$

$$System \stackrel{def}{=} \left( Processor_0^{(1)} \parallel \dots \parallel Processor_0^{(N)} \right) \boxtimes_K NumberR_0$$

where  $K = \{use_1, \dots, use_N, free_1, \dots, free_N\}$

## 4.2. Model Size Reduction

- PEPA Model *with functions*

$$Processor_0^{(i)} \stackrel{def}{=} (use_i, \lambda_i \times f(x_1, \dots, x_N)).Processor_1^{(i)}$$

$$Processor_1^{(i)} \stackrel{def}{=} (free_i, \mu_i).Processor_0^{(i)}$$

$$\text{where } f(x_1, \dots, x_N) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \sum_{j=1}^N x_j < M \quad x_j \in \{0, 1\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$System \stackrel{def}{=} Processor_0^{(1)} || \dots || Processor_0^{(N)}$$



## 4.2. Model Size Reduction

- **PEPA Model *without functions***
  - $N + 1$  components
  - $2^N(M + 1)$  states
- **PEPA Model *with functions***
  - $N$  components
  - $2^N$  states

## 4.3. Tensor Representation

### Global Generator Matrix

$$Q = \bigoplus_{i=1}^N R_i + \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{Z}} r_\alpha \left( \bigotimes_{i=1}^N P_{i,\alpha} - \bigotimes_{i=1}^N \bar{P}_{i,\alpha} \right)$$

where

- $R_i$  is the transition matrix of component  $C_i$  relating solely to its individual activities.
- $P_{i,\alpha}$  is the probability transition matrix of component  $C_i$  due to activity of type  $\alpha$ . Its elements' values are between 0 and 1.
- $\bar{P}_{i,\alpha}$  is a matrix representing the normalization associated with the shared activity  $\alpha$  in component  $C_i$ .
- $r_\alpha$  is the minimum of the functional rates of action type  $\alpha$  over all components  $C_i$ ,  $i = 1 \dots N$ .

## 4.4. The Vector-Matrix Product

- Global Generator Matrix

$$Q = \sum_{k=1}^{2Z+N} \bigotimes_{i=1}^N Q_{k,i}$$

- Markov Chain Solution

$$x Q = \sum_{k=1}^{2|\mathcal{Z}|+N} x \bigotimes_{i=1}^N Q_{k,i} = 0$$

where

- $x$  is a vector of length  $\prod_{i=1}^N T_i$
- $T_i$  is the size of component  $C_i$

## 4.4. The Vector-Matrix Product

- If the matrices contain only constant values

$$Cost = \prod_{i=1}^N T_i \times \sum_{i=1}^N T_i$$

- If the matrices contains functional rates, but there is no cycle in the functional dependency graph

$$Cost = \prod_{i=1}^N T_i \times \sum_{i=1}^N T_i$$

- If there is a cycle in the functional dependency graph,

$$Cost = \left( \prod_{i=1}^N T_i \right) \left( \prod_{i=1}^t T_i \right) \left( \sum_{i=t+1}^N T_i \right)$$

where  $t$  is the number of automata involved in the cycle.

## 5. Conclusions

- Introduction of functional dependencies in PEPA
  - modelling flexibility
  - model size reduction in some cases
  - direct tensoriel representation of the Markov chain
- In the future ...
  - implement and incorporate our approach to PEPA Workbench
  - investigate the solving techniques which exploit the Kronecker representation