



# A Compositional Modelling and Verification Framework for Stochastic Hybrid Systems

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we propose a general compositional approach for modelling and verification of stochastic hybrid systems (SHSs). We extend Hybrid CSP (HCSP), a very expressive process algebra-like formal modeling language for hybrid systems, by introducing probability and stochasticity to model SHSs, which we call stochastic HCSP (SHCSP). Especially, non-deterministic choice is replaced by probabilistic choice, ordinary differential equations are replaced by stochastic differential equations (SDEs), and communication interrupts are generalized by communication interrupts with weights. We extend Hybrid Hoare Logic to specify and reason about SHCSP processes: On the one hand, we introduce the probabilistic formulas for describing probabilistic states, and on the other hand, we propose the notions of local stochastic differential invariants for characterizing SDEs and global loop invariants for repetition. Throughout the paper, we demonstrate our approach by an aircraft running example.

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## 1. Introduction

Probabilistic and stochastic behavior are omnipresent in computer controlled systems, such as safety-critical hybrid systems, because of uncertain environments, or simplifications to overcome complexity. For example, the movement of aircrafts could be influenced by wind; in networked control systems, message loss and other random effects (e.g., node placement, node failure, battery drain, measurement imprecision) may happen.

Stochastic hybrid systems are the systems in which discrete, continuous and stochastic dynamics tightly intertwine. For safety-critical stochastic hybrid systems, validation and verification can enhance the quality of them and, in particular, to fulfill the quality criteria mandated by the relevant standards. However, modeling, analysis and verification of stochastic hybrid systems is a challenging task. One research line is to extend hybrid automata [Hen96], which is the most popular model for traditional hybrid systems, by adding probability and stochasticity. Along this line, several different notions of *stochastic hybrid automata* have been proposed [APLS08, AG97, Buj04, Spr00, HHWZ10, ZSR<sup>+</sup>10, FHH<sup>+</sup>11], with the difference on where the randomness is introduced. One option is to replace deterministic jumps by probability distribution over deterministic jumps. Another option is to generalize differential equations by stochastic differential equations (SDEs), which have been investigated in [HLS02, BLB05, APLS08, HHHK13]. More general models can be obtained by mixing the above

two approaches, and by combining them with memoryless timed probabilistic jumps [BL06], or with a random reset function for each discrete jump [FHH<sup>+</sup>11]. As in classical setting, the verification of automata-based stochastic hybrid systems are normally achieved through reachability analysis, either by probabilistic model-checking [APLS08, AG97, Buj04, Spr00, HHWZ10, ZSR<sup>+</sup>10, FHH<sup>+</sup>11], or by simulation, i.e., statistical model-checking [MS06, ZPC13]. An overview of this line can be found in [BL06]. However, probabilistic model-checking of stochastic hybrid systems does not scale, in particular, taking SDEs into account. For example, it is not clear how to approximate the reachable sets of a simple linear SDEs with more than two variables. Therefore, existing verification techniques based on reachability analysis for stochastic hybrid systems have limitations. On the other hand, the statistical model-checking approach based on simulation may lead to possible unsoundness of analysis results due to numerical error and incomplete coverage.

In contrast, deductive methods increasingly attract more attention in the verification of stochastic hybrid systems as it can scale up to complex systems. The differential invariant generation for SDEs is at the core of deductive verification of stochastic hybrid systems. For pure hybrid systems, the invariant generation problem has been investigated extensively [CH93, SSM04, San10, GT08, YLW15, RMM12, GJPS14, LZZZ15]. In [PJP07], Prajna et al. extend differential invariant generation approach based on barrier certificates for traditional hybrid systems to stochastic hybrid systems. Based on the differential invariants, the deductive verification method can be extended to hybrid systems and stochastic hybrid systems. A differential-algebraic dynamic logic for hybrid programs [Pla10] was proposed by extending dynamic logic with continuous statements. Then in [Pla11], the author presents a compositional stochastic differential dynamic logic for stochastic hybrid systems, and for the first time, proposes a special form of probabilistic differential invariants for SDEs. In [BBQ<sup>+</sup>15], Hybrid Event-B is proposed by extending Event-B with continuous behaviors, and furthermore, a suite of proof obligations is defined for semantics and verification of Hybrid Event-B. However, stochasticity is not considered in the work.

Hybrid CSP (HCSP) [He94, ZWR96] is an extension of CSP [Hoa85] by introducing differential equations to model continuous evolution and communication interruptions in hybrid systems. In [LLQ<sup>+</sup>10, ZWZ13, WZG12], the Hoare logic is extended to hybrid systems modeled by Hybrid CSP [He94, ZWR96] for deductive verification. In this paper, we extend HCSP by introducing probability and stochasticity and define stochastic HCSP (SHCSP), to model stochastic hybrid systems. In SHCSP, ordinary differential equations (ODEs) are generalized to stochastic differential equations (SDEs), and non-deterministic choice is replaced by probabilistic choice, and communication interrupts are generalized to communication interrupts with weights. Compared to other approaches, SHCSP is compositional, and provides more expressive constructs for describing hybrid systems, including communication, parallelism, interruption, and so on. For specifying and reasoning about SHCSP processes, we extend Hybrid Hoare Logic [LLQ<sup>+</sup>10], which is an extension of Hoare logic [Hoa69] to hybrid systems, to stochastic hybrid systems.

This paper substantially extends the conference paper [PWZZ15] in the following aspects:

- A more expressive form for SDEs is given, by using probabilistic formulas to define the domain of the SDEs instead of the deterministic formulas. Furthermore, in order to characterize the behavior of SDEs, we introduce the notion of (local) stochastic differential invariants that hold for all reachable states of SDEs. Based on the stochastic differential invariants, we define a new inference rule for reasoning about SDEs, which generalizes the one in [PWZZ15].
- We propose the notion of (global) loop invariants for characterizing the repetition of SHCSP.
- To handle the probabilistic constructs such as probabilistic choice and communication interrupt with weights, we propose new operations on probabilistic states: conditional test and addition. In correspondence, we define new probabilistic formulas for describing such states. Based on the new formulas, the inference rule for conditional statement can be defined in a more generalized and elegant way.
- Because of the weights attached for communications in communication interrupts, a communication may occur with a probability. In [PWZZ15], we restrict in the inference system that when any communication is ready to occur, then it occurs with probability 1. In this paper, we loose this restriction and allow any probability for a communication. This can be seen from the improved inference rules of the input and output events.

## Related work

Part of the related work on modelling and verification of stochastic hybrid system has been given above. Here we present some related work on deductive verification of programs with probability, which is the first step to face in the deductive verification of stochastic hybrid systems. The extension of CSP to probabilistic setting has been investigated by Morgan et al. [MMS96]. In [MMS96], a probabilistic predicate transformer is proposed

for programs containing probabilistic choice for the first time. In [Har99], the author defines a Hoare-like logic for programs with probabilistic choice, based on a set of new probabilistic predicates such as conditional test, scaling, and so on. In [KNPQ10], a compositional verification technique is presented for systems that exhibits both probabilistic and nondeterministic behaviour based on the assume-guarantee approach, and by reducing to the problem of multi-objective probabilistic model checking, the compositional verification is fully automated. In [GKM14], a weakest pre-expectation semantics is proposed for a simple probabilistic guarded command language. There are two forms of assertions for specifying the probabilistic states: one is based on probabilistic formulas, that intuitively expresses the probability with which a formula holds in syntactic level [Har99]; and the other is based on traditional formulas, that is evaluated to the expectations of the formulas in the semantics [MMS96, GKM14]. In our work, we adopt the first approach, and different from other work, focus on the continuous-time world.

## Organization

The rest of the paper is organized as follows: Sect. 2 presents some basic notions and results on probability and stochasticity. Section 3 introduces the stochastic Hybrid CSP for modelling stochastic hybrid systems, and in Sect. 4, the operational semantics of this modelling language is defined. Section 5 defines the assertions and specifications for specifying stochastic hybrid CSP, and Sect. 6 presents the main inference system. Section 7 addresses some future work and concludes the paper.

## 2. Background and notations

Let  $\Omega$  represent a non-empty sample set. A  $\sigma$ -algebra on set  $\Omega$  is a set  $\mathcal{F} \subseteq 2^\Omega$  such that: (i)  $\emptyset, \Omega \in \mathcal{F}$ ; (ii) if  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , then its complement  $A^c \in \mathcal{F}$ ; and (iii) if  $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{F}$ . A probability measure  $P$  on the pair  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$  is a function  $P : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $P(\emptyset) = 0$ ,  $P(\Omega) = 1$ , and if  $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{F}$  are mutually disjoint, then  $P(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i)$ . For any set  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $A$  is called an *event*. In the rest of the paper, we will use  $A, A_1, \dots$  to represent events. If  $P(A) = 1$ , we say the event  $A$  occurs with probability 1, or almost surely. The triple  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  is called a *probability space*. It is called a *complete probability space*, if for all  $A \in \mathcal{F}$  with  $P(A) = 0$ ,  $B \subset A$  implies  $B \in \mathcal{F}$ . In the following, we assume  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  is a complete probability space, if not otherwise stated.

Given any family  $\mathcal{U}$  of subsets of  $\Omega$ , there is a smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra containing  $\mathcal{U}$ , and we call it the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by  $\mathcal{U}$ . For instance, the  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that is generated by all open subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is called *Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra*, denoted by  $\mathcal{B}$ . Given any function  $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ , the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by  $X$  is the smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $\Omega$  containing all the sets  $X^{-1}(B)$ , that is defined as  $\{\omega \in \Omega \mid X(\omega) \in B\}$ , for any  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ . A function  $Y : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is called  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable, if for any  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ ,  $Y^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{F}$ . A  $\mathbb{R}^n$ -valued random variable is a  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable function  $Y : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ . A collection of families  $\{\mathcal{H}_i\}_{i \in I}$  of measurable sets of  $\mathcal{F}$  is independent, if for any  $H_{i_j} \in \mathcal{H}_{i_j}$  with  $1 \leq j \leq k$  and  $i_j \in I$ ,  $P(H_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap H_{i_k}) = P(H_{i_1}) \dots P(H_{i_k})$ . A collection of random variables  $\{X_i\}_{i \in I}$  is independent if the collection of the  $\sigma$ -algebras generated by them is independent. We will use  $U, U_1, \dots$  to represent a collection of independent random variables which distribute uniformly in  $[0, 1]$ , which will be used in the definition of the semantics later.

Let  $TS \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  represent a time set. A *stochastic process*  $X$  is a function  $X : TS \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  such that for each  $t \in TS$ ,  $X(t, \cdot) : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is a random variable, and for each  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $X(\cdot, \omega) : TS \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  corresponds to a *sample path*. We will use  $X_t$  and  $X_\omega$  to represent them respectively. In this paper,  $TS$  is a time interval, e.g.  $[0, \infty)$ , or  $[a, b]$  for some  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . A *filtration* on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$  is a family of  $\sigma$ -algebras  $\{\mathcal{M}_t\}_{t \geq 0}$  that are increasing with  $\mathcal{M}_{t_1} \subset \mathcal{M}_{t_2}$  for all  $0 \leq t_1 < t_2$ . A *Markov time* (or stopping time) with respect to a filtration  $\{\mathcal{M}_t\}_{t \geq 0}$  is a random variable  $\tau : \Omega \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that for any  $t \geq 0$ ,  $\{\omega : \tau(\omega) \leq t\} \in \mathcal{M}_t$ , i.e. the event  $\{\omega : \tau(\omega) \leq t\}$  is determined by (at most) the information up to time  $t$ . A stochastic process  $X$  is *adapted* to a filtration  $\{\mathcal{M}_t\}_{t \geq 0}$  if  $X_t$  is  $\mathcal{M}_t$ -measurable. A function defined on  $\mathbb{R}$  is *càdlàg* iff it is *right continuous* and has *left limit*. A stochastic process  $X$  is *càdlàg* iff all of its paths  $t \rightarrow X_t(\omega)$  (for each  $\omega \in \Omega$ ) are *càdlàg*.

A  $d$ -dimensional *Brownian motion*  $W$  is a stochastic process with  $W_0 = 0$  that is continuous almost surely everywhere and has independent increments with time, i.e.  $W_t - W_s \sim N(0, t-s)$  (for  $0 \leq s < t$ ), where  $N(0, t-s)$  denotes the normal distribution with mean 0 and variance  $t-s$ . Brownian motion  $W$  can be understood as the limit of a random walk. It is almost surely continuous everywhere but differentiable nowhere.

We use *stochastic differential equation* (SDE) to model stochastic continuous evolution, which is of the form  $dX_t = b(X_t)dt + \sigma(X_t)dW_t$ , where  $W_t$  is a Brownian motion<sup>1</sup>. Intuitively, the drift coefficient  $b(X_t) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  determines how the deterministic part of  $X_t$  changes with respect to time and the diffusion coefficient  $\sigma(X_t) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  determines the stochastic influence to  $X_t$  with respect to the Brownian motion  $W_t$ . A solution to an SDE is a stochastic process. The existence and uniqueness of solution to SDEs is guaranteed by the following theorem [Øks07].

**Theorem 2.1** *Let  $T > 0$ , and  $b(x)$  and  $\sigma(x)$  be measurable functions. If the following two conditions are satisfied:*

- (a) *there exists some constant  $C$  such that for any  $x$ ,  $|b(x)| + |\sigma(x)| \leq C(1 + |x|)$ ;*
- (b) *there exists some constant  $D$  such that for any  $x, y$ ,  $|b(x) - b(y)| + |\sigma(x) - \sigma(y)| \leq D|x - y|$ .*

*Let  $Z$  be a random variable satisfying  $E[|Z|^2] < \infty$ , then the SDE*

$$dX_t = b(X_t)dt + \sigma(X_t)dW_t, \quad 0 \leq t \leq T, X_0 = Z$$

*has a unique continuous solution  $X_t$  with the property that,  $X_t$  is adapted to the filtration  $\mathcal{F}_t^Z$  generated by  $Z$  and  $(W_s)_{s \leq t}$ , and  $E[\int_0^T |X_t|^2 dt] \leq \infty$ .*

In the following parts, we always assume that the SDEs satisfy the conditions (a) and (b).

### 3. Stochastic HCSP

A system in Stochastic HCSP (SHCSP) consists of a finite set of sequential processes in parallel which communicate via channels synchronously. Each sequential process is represented as a collection of stochastic processes, each of which arises from the interaction of discrete computation and stochastic continuous dynamics modeled by SDEs. Let *Proc* represent the set of SHCSP processes,  $\Sigma$  the set of channel names. The syntax of SHCSP is given as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} P, Q &::= \mathbf{skip} \mid x := e \mid ch?x \mid ch!e \mid P; Q \mid B \rightarrow P \mid P^* \mid \\ &P \sqcup_p Q \mid \langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \&PB \rangle \mid \langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \&PB \rangle \triangleright \prod_{i \in I} (\omega_i \cdot ch_i^* \rightarrow Q_i) \\ S &::= P \mid P_1 \parallel P_2 \parallel \dots \parallel P_n \end{aligned}$$

Here  $ch, ch_i \in \Sigma$ ,  $ch_i^*$  stands for a communication event, e.g.  $ch?x$  or  $ch!e, x$  for a discrete variable,  $B$  and  $PB$  for boolean and probabilistic boolean expressions,  $e$  for an arithmetic expression,  $P, Q, Q_i \in Proc$  for sequential processes,  $p \in [0, 1]$  stands for the probability of the choice between  $P$  and  $Q$ ,  $s$  for a vector of continuous variables,  $b$  and  $\sigma$  for functions of  $s$ ,  $W$  for the Brownian motion process,  $\omega_i \in \mathbb{Q}^+$  for the weight, and  $I$  for a non-empty finite set of indices,  $n$  for a natural number with  $n > 1$ . At the end,  $S$  stands for a SHCSP process, which is either a sequential process, or a parallel composition of multiple sequential processes. The sharing of variables between parallel processes is not allowed in (S)HCSP, and instead, the exchange of messages between them is achieved solely via synchronized communications along the common channels of them. Furthermore, to simplify the semantics of SHCSP, we assume that each input or output channel can only be possessed by one sequential process.

As defined in the syntax of  $P$ , the processes in the first line are original from HCSP, while the second line is new for SHCSP. The individual constructs can be understood intuitively as follows:

- **skip**, the assignment  $x := e$ , the sequential composition  $P; Q$ , and the conditional statement  $B \rightarrow P$  are defined as usual.
- $ch?x$  receives a value along channel  $ch$  and assigns it to  $x$ , while  $ch!e$  sends the value of  $e$  along channel  $ch$ . A communication takes place when both the sending and the receiving parties are ready, and may cause one side to wait. Note that the waiting time could be different at different samples in  $\Omega$  due to the stochastic behaviour of the partner.
- The repetition  $P^*$  executes  $P$  for some finite number of times.
- $P \sqcup_p Q$  denotes probabilistic choice. It behaves as  $P$  with probability  $p$  and as  $Q$  with probability  $1 - p$ .
- $\langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \&PB \rangle$  specifies that the system evolves according to the stochastic process defined by the SDE  $ds = bdt + \sigma dW$ .  $PB$  defines the domain of  $s$ . It is a probabilistic boolean expression, corresponding to the quantifier-free probabilistic state formula defined in Sect. 5. As soon as  $PB$  turns false, the stochastic process terminates. Thus we call  $\langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \&PB \rangle$  the *boundary interrupt* to the stochastic continuous

<sup>1</sup> Here we only consider time homogenous SDEs, as any general SDE can be reduced to this case by introducing additional variables [Øks07].

evolution. For example, suppose  $PB$  is  $P(s < s_m) > 99\%$ , it means that within the domain,  $s < s_m$  holds with probability greater than 99%. Whenever the probability that  $s < s_m$  holds is equal to or less than 99%, the process terminates. For future use, we will denote by  $\dim(s)$  the dimension of  $s$ .

- $\langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle \triangleright \prod_{i \in I} (\omega_i \cdot ch_i^* \rightarrow Q_i)$  denotes the probabilistic communication interrupt, where  $\omega_i \in \mathbb{Q}^+$  represents the *weight* of  $ch_i^*$ . It behaves like  $\langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle$ , except that the stochastic process is preempted as soon as one of the communications  $ch_i^*$  takes place, after that the respective  $Q_i$  is executed. However, if there are multiple communications along  $\{ch_{i_j}\}_{1 \leq j \leq n}$  with  $i_j \in I$  and  $n > 1$  that become ready simultaneously, then for each  $ch_{i_j}$ , the communication action  $ch_{i_j}^*$  occurs with probability  $\frac{w_{i_j}}{\sum_{k=1}^n w_{i_k}}$ .
- $P_1 \parallel P_2$  behaves as if  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  run independently except that all communications along the common channels connecting  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are to be synchronized.

Let  $S$  be a SHCSP process. We denote  $\text{Var}(S)$  as the set of state variables, including both discrete and continuous variables, that occur in  $S$ . For any channel  $ch \in \Sigma$  occurring in  $S$ , if both the input and output ends of  $ch$ , i.e.  $ch?$  and  $ch!$ , occur in  $S$ , then  $ch$  is called an *internal* channel of  $S$ , otherwise an *external* channel of  $S$ . We denote  $\Sigma(S)$  as the set of external channels of  $S$ . For a parallel process  $S_1 \parallel S_2$  of SHCSP, we have the following facts:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(S_1) \cap \text{Var}(S_2) &= \emptyset & \text{Var}(S_1 \parallel S_2) &= \text{Var}(S_1) \cup \text{Var}(S_2) \\ \Sigma(S_1 \parallel S_2) &= (\Sigma(S_1) \cup \Sigma(S_2)) \setminus (\Sigma(S_1) \cap \Sigma(S_2)) \end{aligned}$$

**An example** Consider the classic plant-controller example in the stochastic setting: A plant is sensed by a computer periodically (say every  $d$  time units), and receives a control ( $u$ ) from the digit controller immediately after the sensing. Thus, it can be modelled by the following SHCSP process:

$$\langle \langle ds = b(s, u)dt + \sigma(s, u)dW \& \text{True} \rangle \triangleright (c_{p2c}!s \rightarrow \text{skip}); c_{c2p}?u \rangle^* \parallel \langle \text{wait } d; c_{p2c}?x; c_{c2p}!e(x) \rangle^*$$

where  $ds = b(s, u)dt + \sigma(s, u)dW$  describes the behaviour of the plant with stochastic influence, and  $e(x)$  computes the control value based on the state  $x$  of the plant.

**Remark 3.1** SHCSP provides two kinds of interrupts to stochastic continuous evolution modelled by SDEs: boundary interrupt and communication interrupt. When an interrupt occurs, the SDE stops and another process executes. But as we know, a physical plant that is undergoing evolution according to a (S)DE is not going to suddenly stop obeying its physical law and freeze its state for a positive duration of time. To avoid such design errors, when we model a (stochastic) hybrid system using (S)HCSP, a continuous plant should be only interrupted by a piece of discrete activity, whose execution time is negligible compared to continuous evolution, and thus is considered as zero in our semantics. The discrete computation acts as a controller sensing the state of the plant and calculating a new control value based on the state, and then the interrupted continuous evolution continues again by following the new control value in the next period. This is very consistent with designing a hybrid system in reality. Obviously the above plant-controller example indicates this point.

Not surprisingly, as a modeling language, SHCSP itself cannot guarantee the correctness of a model built with it. This is quite similar to most of programming languages, which cannot guarantee the correctness of programs coded with them. For example, the normal movement of a train follows a SDE  $ds = vdt$ ,  $dv =adt + \sigma dW$  subject to the constraint that the proportion of the velocity larger than the emergence brake intervention ( $V_{ebi}$ ) is less than 0.1%, i.e.,  $P(v \leq V_{ebi}) > 99.9\%$ , where  $s$  stands for the distance,  $v$  for the velocity, and  $\sigma dW$  for the noise from the environment, like friction, wind and so on. Whenever the condition is violated, an emergence brake should take place, which is modeled by  $\langle dv = -Bdt \rangle$ , where  $B$  stands for the full brake deceleration. But

$$\langle ds = vdt, dv =adt + \sigma dW \& P(v > V_{ebi}) > 99.9\% \rangle; \langle dv = -Bdt + \sigma dW \& v \geq 0 \rangle$$

is not a correct design of the train, as the continuous evolution of  $s$  stops in case the first SDE terminates, but it still continuously evolves obeying  $ds = vdt$  during the second SDE being executed in reality. There are two possible ways to avoid such design errors: to refine the modelling language to a small safe subset, or to develop more expressive verification techniques. We consider this as our future work.

### 3.1. A running example

We use SHCSP to model the aircraft position during the flight, which is adapted from [PH08]. Consider an aircraft that is following a flight path consisting of a sequence of line segments at a fixed altitude. Ideally, the aircraft should fly at a constant velocity  $v$  along the nominal path, but due to the wind or cloud disturbance, the deviation of the aircraft from the path may occur. For safety, the aircraft should follow a correction heading to get back to the nominal path as quickly as possible. On the one hand, the correction heading should be orthogonal to the nominal path for the shortest way back, but on the other hand, it should also go ahead to meet the destination. Considering these two objectives, we assume the correction heading is always an acute angle with the nominal path.

Here we model the behavior of the aircraft along one line segment. Without loss of generality, we assume the segment is along  $x$ -axis, with  $(x_s, 0)$  as the starting point and  $(x_e, 0)$  as the ending point. When the aircraft deviates from the segment with a vertical distance greater than  $\lambda$ , we consider it enters a dangerous state. Let  $(x_s, y_0)$  be the initial position of the aircraft in this segment, then the future position of the aircraft  $(x(t), y(t))$  is governed by the following SDE:

$$\begin{pmatrix} dx(t) \\ dy(t) \end{pmatrix} = v \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta(t)) \\ \sin(\theta(t)) \end{pmatrix} dt + dW(t)$$

where  $\theta(t)$  is the correction heading and is defined with a constant degree  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  when the aircraft deviates from the nominal path:

$$\theta(t) = \begin{cases} -\frac{\pi}{4} & \text{if } y(t) > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } y(t) = 0 \\ \frac{\pi}{4} & \text{if } y(t) < 0 \end{cases}$$

Let  $PB$  be  $P(x_s \leq x \leq x_e) = 1$ , the movement of the aircraft described above can be modelled by the following SHCSP process  $P_{Air}$ :

$$x := x_s; y := y_0; [(dx, dy)^T = v[\cos(\theta(t)), \sin(\theta(t))]^T dt + dW(t) \& PB]$$

which states that, at the beginning, the position of the aircraft is initialized to  $(x_s, y_0)$ , then the variables  $x, y$  standing for the position of the aircraft will evolve by conforming to the given SDE, till the violation of  $PB$ .

We will apply our approach to specify and verify this example later in the paper.

## 4. Operational semantics

Before giving operational semantics, we introduce several auxiliary variables, states, and the operations and functions manipulating states.

**Auxiliary variables** In order to define the semantics of SHCSP processes, we need to introduce several auxiliary variables. First of all, we use non-negative reals  $\mathbb{R}^+$  to model time, and introduce a global clock *now* to record the time in the execution of a process.

Secondly, we introduce a variable *tr* to represent the timed trace accumulated till the current time (recorded by *now*) of a process. We define a *timed communication* as  $\langle ch, b \rangle$ , where  $ch \in \Sigma$  and  $b \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , representing that a communication along channel  $ch$  occurs at time  $b$ . The set  $\Sigma \times \mathbb{R}^+$  of all timed communications is denoted by  $T\Sigma$ . The set of all timed traces is

$$T\Sigma_{\leq}^* = \{\gamma \in T\Sigma^* \mid \text{if } \langle ch_1, b_1 \rangle \text{ precedes } \langle ch_2, b_2 \rangle \text{ in } \gamma, \text{ then } b_1 \leq b_2\}.$$

If  $C \subseteq \Sigma$ ,  $\gamma \upharpoonright_C$  is the projection of  $\gamma$  onto  $C$  such that only the timed communications along channels in  $C$  of  $\gamma$  are preserved. Given two timed traces  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2$ , a channel set  $C \subseteq \Sigma$ , the *alphabetized parallel* of  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  over  $C$ , denoted by  $\gamma_1 \parallel_C \gamma_2$ , results in the following set of timed traces

$$\{\gamma \mid \gamma \upharpoonright_{\Sigma - (\Sigma(\gamma_1) \cup \Sigma(\gamma_2))} = \epsilon, \gamma \upharpoonright_{\Sigma(\gamma_1)} = \gamma_1, \gamma \upharpoonright_{\Sigma(\gamma_2)} = \gamma_2 \text{ and } \gamma \upharpoonright_C = \gamma_1 \upharpoonright_C = \gamma_2 \upharpoonright_C\},$$

where  $\Sigma(\gamma)$  stands for the set of channels that occur in  $\gamma$ . In this paper, the set  $C$  is usually  $\Sigma(\gamma_1) \cap \Sigma(\gamma_2)$ .

Finally, we introduce a variable *rdy* to represent the ready set of communication events at current time of a process. To model synchronization of communication events, we need to describe the readiness of them. We define

two forms of readiness:  $ch?$ , representing that the input event along  $ch?$  becomes ready, and  $ch!c$ , representing that the output event along  $ch!$  becomes ready and furthermore as a sender, it will send a value  $c$  to the receiver. When both parties along  $ch$  become ready, a communication along  $ch$  occurs, taking zero time to complete. At a time point, multiple communications may occur. In order to record the execution order of communications occurring at the same time point, we prefix each communication readiness occurrence, with a timed trace that happened before the communication event being ready. So, each *communication readiness* has the form of  $\gamma.ch?$  or  $\gamma.ch!c$ , where  $\gamma \in T\Sigma_{\leq}^*$ . We denote by  $RDY$  the set of communication readinesses in the sequel.

In the operational semantics, we will define the values of  $now$ ,  $tr$ , and  $rdy$  during the process execution. Furthermore, the variables  $now$  and  $tr$  will be used in defining the proof system, of SHCSP respectively. In what follows, we use  $Var(S)^+$  to represent the set of state variables of  $S$ , i.e.  $Var(S)$ , plus the auxiliary variables  $\{rdy, tr, now\}$  introduced above. For a parallel process  $S_1 \parallel S_2$ , we have the result that  $Var(S_1)^+ \cap Var(S_2)^+ = \{rdy, tr, now\}$ . The variables in  $Var(S)$  will have values in  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $rdy$  in  $RDY$ ,  $tr$  in  $T\Sigma_{\leq}^*$ , and  $now$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ , respectively. We denote the set of all values by  $Val$ .

**Remark 4.1** Notice that the auxiliary variables  $rdy, tr, now$  are all at the meta level, which are only used in the definitions of the execution semantics and proof system of a SHCSP process, and never occur in the syntax of any SHCSP process.

**States** To interpret a process  $S \in Proc$ , we first define a deterministic state  $sd$  as a mapping from  $Var(S)^+$  to  $Val$ , and denote by  $\mathcal{D}$  the set of such states. Because of stochasticity, we introduce a random variable  $\rho : \Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  to describe a *probabilistic state*, i.e. a distribution of all possible states. Notice that the random variable for representing probabilistic states is different from the standard  $R^n$ -valued random variables, however, it can be transformed to the standard one by abstracting away the variables  $Var(S)^+$  in  $\mathcal{D}$  and instead assume each variable has a unique number. This approach was adopted in [Pla11]. In addition, we introduce a stochastic process  $H : Intv \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ , called *flow*, to represent the continuous flow of process  $S$  over the time interval  $Intv$ , i.e., state distributions on the interval.

To handle conditional and probabilistic choice, we allow the existence of *sub-probabilistic states*, which are mappings from a subset of  $\Omega$  to  $\mathcal{D}$ . It can be seen that they will only occur as intermediate states in the operational semantics of SHCSP. In what follows, we will also call the sub-probabilistic states as (probabilistic) states if not stated otherwise.

**State operations** In order to define the semantics of probabilistic choice and conditional choice, we need to define the following operations on probabilistic states correspondingly.

**Definition 4.1** Assume  $\rho, \rho_1, \rho_2$  are probabilistic states, the conditional  $B?\rho$  and the addition  $\rho_1 + \rho_2$  are defined as follows (The semantics of formulas  $B$  will be given in Sect. 5):

$$B?\rho(\omega) = \begin{cases} \rho(\omega) & \text{if } B \text{ is true under } \rho(\omega) \\ \perp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

When  $\text{dom}(\rho_1)$  and  $\text{dom}(\rho_2)$  are disjoint,

$$\rho_1 + \rho_2(\omega) = \begin{cases} \rho_1(\omega) & \text{if } \omega \in \text{dom}(\rho_1) \\ \rho_2(\omega) & \text{if } \omega \in \text{dom}(\rho_2) \\ \perp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The state  $B?\rho$  is obtained from  $\rho$  by removing the samples whose corresponding states do not satisfy  $B$ , thus it is partial. The addition  $\rho_1 + \rho_2$  is used for the case that the sample domains of  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$  are disjoint, and in such case, it is the union of  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$ .

Below we introduce some more functions for manipulating states. Given two states  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$ , let  $A_i$  be the sample set  $\text{dom}(\rho_i)$  for  $i = 1, 2$ , then we say  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$  are parallelable iff for each  $\omega \in A_1 \cap A_2$ ,  $\text{dom}(\rho_1(\omega)) \cap \text{dom}(\rho_2(\omega)) = \{rdy, tr, now\}$ , i.e. the state variables of  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$  are disjoint, and  $\rho_1(\omega)(now) = \rho_2(\omega)(now)$ , i.e. the execution time of  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$  is equal. Given two parallelable states  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$ , paralleling them over  $C \subseteq \Sigma$  results in a set of new states, denoted by  $\rho_1 \uplus_C \rho_2$ . For any  $\omega \in \text{dom}(\rho_1) \cap \text{dom}(\rho_2)$ , any  $v \in \text{dom}(\rho_1(\omega)) \cup \text{dom}(\rho_2(\omega))$ , each of  $\rho$  in  $\rho_1 \uplus_C \rho_2$  satisfies:

$$\rho(\omega)(v) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \rho_1(\omega)(v) & \text{if } v \in \text{dom}(\rho_1(\omega)) \setminus \text{dom}(\rho_2(\omega)), \\ \rho_2(\omega)(v) & \text{if } v \in \text{dom}(\rho_2(\omega)) \setminus \text{dom}(\rho_1(\omega)), \\ \rho_1(\omega)(now) & \text{if } v = now, \\ \gamma, \text{ where } \gamma \in \rho_1(\omega)(tr) \parallel_C \rho_2(\omega)(tr) & \text{if } v = tr, \\ \rho_1(\omega)(rdy) \cup \rho_2(\omega)(rdy) & \text{if } v = rdy. \end{cases}$$

It makes no sense to distinguish any two states in  $\rho_1 \uplus \rho_2$ , so hereafter we will use  $\rho_1 \uplus \rho_2$  to represent any of its elements. In the operational semantics,  $\rho_1 \uplus \rho_2$  will be used to represent the states of parallel processes.

Given a probabilistic state  $\rho$ , the update  $\rho[v \rightarrow e]$  represents a new probabilistic state such that for any  $\omega \in \Omega$  and  $x \in Var$ ,  $\rho[v \rightarrow e](\omega)(x)$  is defined as the value of  $e$  under state  $\rho(\omega)$  if  $x$  is  $v$ , and  $\rho(\omega)(x)$  otherwise. For simple use, we will write  $\rho[tr + \tau]$  as an abbreviation of  $\rho[tr \mapsto tr \cdot \langle \tau, now \rangle]$ . Given a stochastic process  $X : [0, d) \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{dim(s)}$ , where  $d \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , then for any  $t$  in the domain,  $\rho[s \rightarrow X_t]$  is a new probabilistic state such that for any  $\omega \in \Omega$  and  $x \in Var$ ,  $\rho[s \rightarrow X_t](\omega)(x)$  is defined as  $X(t, \omega)$  if  $x$  is  $s$ , and  $\rho(\omega)(x)$  otherwise. Given a stochastic process  $H$  over interval  $[a, b]$ , where  $a \leq b$  and  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $H[v \mapsto e]$  is the stochastic process defined over the same interval such that for any  $t \in [a, b]$ , for any  $\omega$ , for any variable  $x \in Var$ ,  $H[v \mapsto e](t, \omega)(x)$  is defined as  $H(t, \omega)(x)$  if  $x$  is not  $v$ , otherwise the value of  $e$  under the starting state  $H(a, \omega)$ .

**Other functions** In the semantics we will use a family of random variables  $\{U_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq N}$  that are distributed uniformly in  $[0, 1]$ , and assume that for each  $U_i$ , it is independent of other  $U_j$ s and other random variables occurring in the semantics. Moreover, given an arbitrary set  $G$ , we define  $\mathcal{I}_G$  to represent the characteristic function of  $G$ , i.e.  $\mathcal{I}_G(x) = 1$  if  $x \in G$  and  $\mathcal{I}_G(x) = 0$  otherwise.

#### 4.1. Operational semantics

Each transition relation has the form of  $(P, \rho) \xrightarrow{\alpha} (P', \rho', H)$ , where  $P$  and  $P'$  are SHCSP processes,  $\alpha$  is an event,  $\rho, \rho'$  are probabilistic states,  $H$  is a stochastic process (and we will call  $H$  a *flow*). It expresses that, starting from initial state  $\rho$ , by performing event  $\alpha$ ,  $P$  evolves into  $P'$ , ends in state  $\rho'$ , and produces the execution flow  $H$ . When the transition is discrete and thus produces a flow on a point interval (i.e. current time *now*), we will write  $(P, \rho) \xrightarrow{\alpha} (P', \rho')$  instead of  $(P, \rho) \xrightarrow{\alpha} (P', \rho', \{\rho(now) \mapsto \rho'\})$ , without losing any substantial information. The label  $\alpha$  represents events, which can be a discrete non-communication event, e.g. skip, assignment, or the evaluation of boolean expressions, uniformly denoted by  $\tau$ , or an external communication event  $ch!c$  or  $ch?c$ , or an internal communication  $ch.c$ , or a time delay  $d$ , where  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $d \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . When both  $ch!c$  and  $ch?c$  occur, a communication  $ch.c$  occurs. We call the events other than the time delay *discrete events*, and will use  $\beta$  to range over them. We define the dual of  $ch?c$  (denoted by  $\overline{ch?c}$ ) as  $ch!c$ , and vice versa, and define  $comm(ch!c, ch?c)$  or  $comm(ch?c, ch!c)$  as the communication  $ch.c$ . In the operational semantics, besides the timed communications, we will also record the  $\tau$  events that have occurred till now in  $tr$ .

Because of probabilistic and conditional choices, a transition may only occur for some event, i.e. a subset of  $\Omega$ . We will write  $(P, \rho) \xrightarrow{\alpha} (P', \rho', H)$  *on event*  $A$ , where  $A \subseteq \text{dom}(\rho)$ , to mean that  $(P, \rho) \xrightarrow{\alpha} (P', \rho' \upharpoonright_A, H \upharpoonright_A)$ , i.e. the sample set is reduced to  $A$  after the transition is performed. As a consequence, for any transition, the states before and after its execution can be sub-probabilistic states.

The semantics for SHCSP is presented in Tables 1 and 2. The semantics of **skip** and  $x := e$  are defined as usual, except that for each, a  $\tau$  event occurs. The process  $\epsilon$  can stay idle for an arbitrarily long time, and then evolves to itself. The rules for input  $ch?x$  indicate the following three cases:

- at the very beginning of execution, the input event has to be put in the ready set, and thereafter,
- it may wait for its partner for some time  $d$  during which it remains ready. Notice that for different  $\omega$ s, the waiting time might be different, thus in the second rule, the initial state  $\rho$  might be a sub-probabilistic state. The waiting process produces an execution history  $H_d^\rho$ , which is a stochastic process such that for any  $\omega$ , for any  $t \in [\rho(\omega)(now), \rho(\omega)(now) + d]$ ,  $H_d^\rho(t, \omega) = \rho[now \mapsto t](\omega)$ .
- as soon as its partner becomes ready, a communication occurs immediately and takes zero time to complete, with  $x$  being assigned with the value received and  $tr$  extended by the timed communication.

The semantics of output  $ch!e$  is similarly defined by three rules.

For stochastic continuous evolution  $\langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle$ , suppose  $X : [0, \infty) \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{dim(s)}$  is the solution of  $ds = bdt + \sigma dW$  with the initial value  $X_0 = \rho(s)$ , then for any  $t \in [0, \infty)$ ,  $X_t$  is a random variable that records the value distribution of  $s$  at time  $t$ . For any  $d > 0$ , the stochastic process is able to evolve for  $d$  time, if  $PB$  holds within the period  $[0, d)$ . In particular, at any time  $t \in [0, d)$ , the state becomes  $\rho[now \mapsto now + t, s \mapsto X_t]$ , where  $now$  is increased by  $t$  and the continuous variable  $s$  replaced by the solution  $X_t$ , and  $PB$  holds at time  $now + t$  if  $\llbracket PB \rrbracket_L^{\rho[now \mapsto now + t, s \mapsto X_t]}$  is true.



**Table 1.** The operational semantics for atomic constructs of HCSP

<b>(Skip)</b>	$(\mathbf{skip}, \rho) \xrightarrow{\tau} (\epsilon, \rho[tr + \tau])$
<b>(Idle)</b>	$(\epsilon, \rho) \xrightarrow{d} (\epsilon, \rho[now \mapsto now + d])$
<b>(Assign)</b>	$(x := e, \rho) \xrightarrow{\tau} (\epsilon, \rho[x \mapsto e, tr \mapsto tr \cdot \langle \tau, now \rangle])$
<b>(Input-1)</b>	$\frac{\rho(tr).ch? \notin \rho(rdy)}{(ch?x, \rho) \xrightarrow{\tau} (ch?x, \rho[rdy \mapsto rdy \cup \{tr.ch?\})}$
<b>(Input-2)</b> For any $d > 0$ ,	$\frac{\rho(tr).ch? \in \rho(rdy)}{(ch?x, \rho) \xrightarrow{d} (ch?x, \rho[now \mapsto now + d], H_d^\rho)}$
<b>(Input-3)</b>	$\frac{\rho(tr).ch? \in \rho(rdy)}{(ch?x, \rho) \xrightarrow{ch?b} (\epsilon, \rho[x \mapsto b, tr \mapsto tr \cdot \langle ch, now \rangle])}$
<b>(Output-1)</b>	$\frac{\rho(tr).ch! \notin \rho(rdy)}{(ch!e, \rho) \xrightarrow{\tau} (ch!e, \rho[rdy \mapsto rdy \cup \{tr.ch!e\})}$
<b>(Output-2)</b> For any $d > 0$ ,	$\frac{\rho(tr).ch! \in \rho(rdy)}{(ch!e, \rho) \xrightarrow{d} (ch!e, \rho[now \mapsto now + d], H_d^\rho)}$
<b>(Output-3)</b>	$\frac{\rho(tr).ch! \in \rho(rdy)}{(ch!e, \rho) \xrightarrow{ch!e} (\epsilon, \rho[tr \mapsto tr \cdot \langle ch, now \rangle])}$
<b>(SDE-1)</b>	$\frac{\begin{array}{l} X : [0, \infty) \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d(s)} \text{ is the solution of } ds = bdt + \sigma dW \\ \text{with } X_0 = \rho(s) \wedge \forall d > 0. \forall t \in [0, d], \llbracket PB \rrbracket_L^{\rho[now \mapsto now + t, s \mapsto X_t]} = \mathbf{True} \end{array}}{((ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB), \rho) \xrightarrow{d} \left( \begin{array}{l} \langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle, \\ \rho[now \mapsto now + d, s \mapsto X_d], H_d^{\rho, s, X} \end{array} \right)}$
<b>(SDE-2)</b>	$\frac{\llbracket cl(\neg PB) \rrbracket_L^\rho = \mathbf{True}}{((ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB), \rho) \xrightarrow{\tau} (\epsilon, \rho[tr + \tau])}$
In the following, denote $\langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle \triangleright \llbracket_{i \in I} (\omega_i \cdot ch_i * \rightarrow Q_i) \rrbracket$ by $CI$ .	
<b>(ProbInterrupt-1)</b>	$\frac{\forall i \in I. \rho(tr).ch_i * \notin \rho(rdy)}{(CI, \rho) \xrightarrow{\tau} (CI, \rho[rdy \mapsto rdy \cup_{i \in I} \{tr.ch_i *\})}$
<b>(ProbInterrupt-2)</b>	$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \forall i \in I. \rho(tr).ch_i * \in \rho(rdy), \\ \overline{\{ch_{i_k} *\}_{1 \leq k \leq n}} \text{ become ready simultaneously while others not, i.e.} \\ \forall k \in \{1, \dots, n\}. (ch_{i_k} *, \rho) \xrightarrow{ch_{i_k} *} (\epsilon, \rho_{i_k}, H_{i_k}), \\ U : \Omega \rightarrow [0, 1] \text{ is a random variable distributed uniformly in } [0, 1] \end{array}}{(CI, \rho) \xrightarrow{ch_{i_j} *} (Q_{i_j}, \rho_{i_j}, H_{i_j}) \text{ on event } \\ \{(\sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \omega_{i_k} / \sum_{k=1}^n \omega_{i_k}) \leq U < (\sum_{k=1}^j \omega_{i_k} / \sum_{k=1}^n \omega_{i_k})\} \text{ for } j \in \{1, \dots, n\}}$
<b>(ProbInterrupt-3)</b>	$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \forall i \in I. \rho(tr).ch_i * \in \rho(rdy), \\ \neg \exists i \in I. (ch_i *, \rho) \xrightarrow{ch_i *} (\epsilon, \rho_i, H_i), \end{array}}{((ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB), \rho) \xrightarrow{d} ((ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB), \rho_s, H_s)} \\ (CI, \rho) \xrightarrow{d} (CI, \rho_s, H_s)$
<b>(ProbInterrupt-4)</b>	$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \forall i \in I. \rho(tr).ch_i * \in \rho(rdy), \\ \neg \exists i \in I. (ch_i *, \rho) \xrightarrow{ch_i *} (\epsilon, \rho_i, H_i), \end{array}}{((ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB), \rho) \xrightarrow{\tau} (\epsilon, \rho')} \\ (CI, \rho) \xrightarrow{\tau} (\epsilon, \rho'[rdy \mapsto rdy \setminus (\cup_{i \in I} \{tr.ch_i *\})])$

**Table 2.** The operational semantics for compound constructs of HCSP

<b>(ProbChoice)</b>	$\frac{U : \Omega \rightarrow [0, 1] \text{ is a random variable distributed uniformly in } [0, 1]}{(P \sqcup_p Q, \rho) \rightarrow \begin{cases} (P, \rho) \text{ on event } \{U \leq p\} \\ (Q, \rho) \text{ on event } \{U > p\} \end{cases}}$
Assume the initial states $\rho_1$ and $\rho_2$ are parallelable,	
<b>(Parallel-1)</b>	$\frac{(P_1, \rho_1) \xrightarrow{ch^*} (P'_1, \rho'_1), \text{ and } (P_2, \rho_2) \xrightarrow{ch^*} (P'_2, \rho'_2)}{(P_1 \parallel P_2, \rho_1 \uplus \rho_2) \xrightarrow{comm(ch^*, ch^*)} (P'_1 \parallel P'_2, \rho'_1 \uplus \rho'_2)}$
<b>(Parallel-2)</b>	$\frac{(P_1, \rho_1) \xrightarrow{\beta} (P'_1, \rho'_1), \quad \Sigma(\beta) \not\subseteq \Sigma(P_1) \cap \Sigma(P_2)}{(P_1 \parallel P_2, \rho_1 \uplus \rho_2) \xrightarrow{\beta} (P'_1 \parallel P_2, \rho'_1 \uplus \rho_2)}$
<b>(Parallel-3)</b>	$\frac{(P_i, \rho_i) \xrightarrow{d} (P'_i, \rho'_i, H_i), \text{ for } i = 1, 2}{(P_1 \parallel P_2, \rho_1 \uplus \rho_2) \xrightarrow{d} (P'_1 \parallel P'_2, (\rho'_1 \uplus \rho'_2), H_1 \uplus H_2)}$
<b>(Parallel-4)</b>	$(\epsilon \parallel \epsilon, \rho_1 \uplus \rho_2) \xrightarrow{\tau} (\epsilon, \rho_1 \uplus \rho_2)$
<b>(Sequential-1)</b>	$\frac{(P, \rho) \xrightarrow{\alpha} (P', \rho', H) \quad P' \neq \epsilon}{(P; Q, \rho) \xrightarrow{\alpha} (P'; Q, \rho', H)}$
<b>(Sequential-2)</b>	$\frac{(P, \rho) \xrightarrow{\alpha} (\epsilon, \rho', H)}{(P; Q, \rho) \xrightarrow{\alpha} (Q, \rho', H)}$
<b>(Conditional)</b>	$\frac{\llbracket B \rrbracket_L^{\rho} : \Omega \rightarrow \{0, 1\} \text{ is a random variable}}{(B \rightarrow P, \rho) \xrightarrow{\tau} \begin{cases} (P, \rho[tr + \tau]) \text{ on event } \{\llbracket B \rrbracket_L^{\rho} = 1\} \\ (\epsilon, \rho[tr + \tau]) \text{ on event } \{\llbracket B \rrbracket_L^{\rho} = 0\} \end{cases}}$
<b>(Reptition-1)</b>	$\frac{(P, \rho) \xrightarrow{\alpha} (P', \rho', H) \quad P' \neq \epsilon}{(P^*, \rho) \xrightarrow{\alpha} (P'; P^*, \rho', H)}$
<b>(Reptition-2)</b>	$\frac{(P, \rho) \xrightarrow{\alpha} (\epsilon, \rho', H)}{(P^*, \rho) \xrightarrow{\alpha} (P^*, \rho', H)}$
<b>(Reptition-3)</b>	$(P^*, \rho) \rightarrow (\epsilon, \rho)$

Here  $L$  is a random variable for interpreting logical variables in the semantics of SHCSP, but actually, it is not used for the evaluation of  $PB$ . The semantics of probability formulas is given in next section. Let  $cl(\neg PB)$  denote the closure of  $\neg PB$  that includes the boundary of  $\neg PB$ . For example, if  $PB$  is  $P(s > 1) \leq 0.3$ , then  $\neg PB$  is  $P(s > 1) > 0.3$ , and  $cl(\neg PB)$  is  $P(s > 1) \geq 0.3$ . Whenever  $cl(\neg PB)$  becomes true, the stochastic continuous evolution terminates. The stochastic continuous evolution produces an execution history  $H_d^{\rho, s, X}$ , which is a stochastic process such that for any  $\omega$ , for any  $t \in [\rho(\omega)(now), \rho(\omega)(now) + d]$ ,  $H_d^{\rho, s, X}(t, \omega) = \rho[now \mapsto t, s \mapsto X_t](\omega)$ .

**Remark 4.2** Notice that for theoretical simplicity, we assume that the change between different physical principles takes no time, therefore once a stochastic flow breaches the terms of its boundary condition, the process just stops immediately. Similar assumption is normally adopted in dynamical and hybrid systems without noise. But in practice, we have to consider the delay from one physical principle changing to another one, as it may prompt oscillations in otherwise convergently stable feedback loops or vice versa, they can destabilize otherwise stable orbits [TZ08], can stretch dwell times, may induce residual error that never settles, or can cause transient overshoot into unsafe operational regimes, to name just a few of the various possible effects fundamentally altering system dynamics. Unmodeled delays in a control loop thus have the potential to invalidate any stability or safety certificate obtained on the delay-free model, as delays may significantly deteriorate control performance. In our previous

work, some approaches on modelling and verifying delay dynamical and hybrid systems without noise have been proposed [ZFZM15, CFL<sup>+</sup>16]. We believe that our previous approaches can be extended to stochastic settings, that will be discussed in another paper.

For probabilistic communication interrupt, there are four cases:

- at the very beginning, all the communication events  $\{ch_i^*\}_{i \in I}$  are put into the ready set;
- if there are  $n$  communications along  $\{ch_{i_k}\}_{1 \leq k \leq n}$  ready to occur, then the  $j$ -th communication over channel  $ch_{i_j}$  followed by  $Q_{i_j}$  is chosen to execute, for the samples  $\omega$  satisfying  $\frac{\sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \omega_{i_k}}{\sum_{k=1}^n \omega_{i_k}} \leq U(\omega) \leq \frac{\sum_{k=1}^j \omega_{i_k}}{\sum_{k=1}^n \omega_{i_k}}$ ;
- if there is no communication event ready to occur, the process evolves for  $d$  time units according to the SDE;
- if there is no communication event ready to occur, as soon as the stochastic continuous evolution terminates, the whole process also terminates by taking a  $\tau$  event.

The semantics for probabilistic choice is defined by two cases, depending on the value of  $U(\omega)$  for each  $\omega$ : if  $U(\omega) \leq p$ , then  $P$  is taken, otherwise,  $Q$  is taken. For  $P_1 \parallel P_2$ , we always assume that the initial states  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$  are parallelable. There are four rules:

- $P_1$  and  $P_2$  together perform a synchronized communication. Especially, for the case of synchronization, the state  $\rho'_1 \uplus \rho'_2$  produced after the communication is taken, guarantees that it is well defined for the common sample set of  $\rho'_1$  and  $\rho'_2$ .
- $P_1$  may progress separately on internal events or external communication events, and the symmetric case can be defined similarly (omitted here);
- both  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  evolve for  $d$  time units in case they can progress for  $d$  time units respectively;
- $P_1 \parallel P_2$  terminates when both  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  terminate. The rules of parallel composition obey the priority property.

At last, the semantics for sequential, internal choice, and repetition is defined as usual. For conditional choice  $B \rightarrow P$ , for samples  $\omega$ , if  $B$  holds, then  $P$  will execute, otherwise it terminates.

**Flow of a process** Given two flows  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  defined on  $[r_1, r_2]$  and  $[r_2, r_3]$  (or  $[r_2, \infty)$ ) respectively, we define the concatenation  $H_1 \hat{\smile} H_2$  as the flow defined on  $[r_1, r_3]$  (or  $[r_1, \infty)$ ) such that  $H_1 \hat{\smile} H_2(t)$  is equal to  $H_1(t)$  if  $t \in [r_1, r_2]$ , otherwise  $H_2(t)$ . Given a process  $P$  and an initial state  $\rho$ , if we have the following sequence of transitions:

$$(P, \rho) \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} (P_1, \rho_1, H_1) \quad (P_1, \rho_1) \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} (P_2, \rho_2, H_2) \dots (P_{n-1}, \rho_{n-1}) \xrightarrow{\alpha_{n-1}} (P_n, \rho_n, H_n)$$

then we define  $H_1 \hat{\smile} \dots \hat{\smile} H_n$  as the flow from  $P$  to  $P_n$  with respect to the initial state  $\rho$ , and furthermore, write  $(P, \rho) \xrightarrow{\alpha_0 \dots \alpha_{n-1}} (P_n, \rho_n, H_1 \hat{\smile} \dots \hat{\smile} H_n)$  to represent the whole transition sequence (and for simplicity, the label sequence can be omitted sometimes). When  $P_n$  is  $\epsilon$ , we call  $H_1 \hat{\smile} \dots \hat{\smile} H_n$  a *complete flow* of  $P$  with respect to  $\rho$ .

The following theorem indicates that the semantics of SHCSP is well defined.

**Theorem 4.1** *If we have  $(P, \rho) \rightarrow (\epsilon, \rho', H)$ , then  $H$  is an almost surely càdlàg process and adapted to the filtration  $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}$  generated by  $\rho$ , the Brownian motion  $(W_s)_{s \leq t}$ , and uniform  $U$  processes, and furthermore, the execution time of  $P$ , denoted by  $\Delta(P)$ , is a Markov time with the filtration  $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}$ .*

*Proof* We will prove the càdlàg, adaptedness and Markov time properties by induction on the structure of SHCSP  $P$ .

- Cases **skip**,  $\epsilon$  and  $x := e$ : Deterministic times  $\Delta(\mathbf{skip}) = \Delta(x = e) = 0$ , and  $\Delta(\epsilon) = d$  are trivial Markov times. For all of them,  $H$  is adapted to the filtration generated by  $\rho$ . For **skip** and  $x := e$ ,  $H$  is trivially càdlàg as the time domain is  $\{0\}$ . For  $\epsilon$ , all variables are preserved the same but *now* is progressing with derivative 1,  $H$  is obviously càdlàg.
- Case  $ch?x$ : According to the semantics, for each  $\omega \in \Omega$ , there must exist some  $d > 0$  such that  $\Delta(ch?x)(\omega) = d$  for the  $\omega$ . For any  $t \geq 0$ , consider the set  $\{\omega : \Delta(ch?x)(\omega) \leq t\}$ , denoted by  $\Omega_t$ . Intuitively,  $\Omega_t$  includes the samples for which the communications have occurred by time  $t$ , and does not include the samples for which the communications occur after time  $t$  in the future. Obviously,  $\Omega_t \in \mathcal{F}_t$ , thus,  $\Delta(ch?x)$  is a Markov time.  $H$  combines the waiting stage and the communication at the termination, obviously it is càdlàg and adapted to the filtration generated by  $\rho$ .
- The case for output can be proved similarly.

- Case  $\langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle$ : By Theorem 2.1,  $H$  is adapted to the filtration generated by  $(W_s)_{s \leq t}$  and  $\rho$ , and it is continuous. By Theorem 5.1,  $PB$  is well defined, and there exists some  $d$  such that  $PB$  turns 0 for the first time and  $\Delta(\langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle) = d$ , which is a Markov time.
- Case  $B \rightarrow P$ : If  $B$  is true,  $B \rightarrow P$  executes  $P$ , otherwise, terminates immediately. By induction hypothesis,  $\Delta(P)$  is a Markov time and  $H_P$  is càdlàg and adapted. According to the semantics,  $\Delta(B \rightarrow P) = B? \Delta(P) + \neg B? 0$ , for which  $B?$  is 1 for the samples that make  $B$  true, and  $\neg B?$  is 1 for the samples that make  $B$  false. Thus, the sum is a Markov time. Moreover, we also have  $H = B? H_P + \neg B? H_\rho$ , where  $H_\rho$  stands for the singleton process with  $\rho$ . By induction hypothesis,  $H$  is càdlàg, and  $H$  is also adapted, where  $B$  generates the filtration.
- Case  $P \sqcup_p Q$ : By induction hypothesis,  $\Delta(P)$  and  $\Delta(Q)$  are both Markov times. According to the semantics,  $\Delta(P \sqcup_p Q) = \mathcal{I}_{U \leq p} \Delta(P) + \mathcal{I}_{U > p} \Delta(Q)$ . The characteristic functions  $\mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}$  and  $\mathcal{I}_{U > p}$  both have two values 0 and 1, thus  $\mathcal{I}_{U \leq p} \Delta(P)$  and  $\mathcal{I}_{U > p} \Delta(Q)$  are Markov times. The sum of two Markov times,  $\Delta(P \sqcup_p Q)$ , is also a Markov time. By induction hypothesis,  $H_P$  for  $P$  and  $H_Q$  for  $Q$  are both càdlàg. Because càdlàg functions form an algebra,  $H = \mathcal{I}_{U \leq p} H_P + \mathcal{I}_{U > p} \Delta(Q) H_Q$  is also càdlàg.  $H$  is adapted, because  $H_P$  and  $H_Q$  are adapted and the choice  $\sqcup_p$  generates the filtration.
- Case  $P; Q$ : Suppose  $(P; Q, \rho) \xrightarrow{\alpha} (Q, \rho', H')$  and  $(Q, \rho') \xrightarrow{\alpha} (\epsilon, \rho'', H'')$ . By induction hypothesis,  $\Delta(P)$  is a Markov time and  $H'$  is càdlàg and adapted to  $(\mathcal{F}'_t)_{t \geq 0}$  generated by  $\rho$  and the constituent Brownian motion and uniform processes during  $P$ , and especially  $\rho'$  is a random variable. By induction hypothesis,  $\Delta(Q)$  is a Markov time and  $H''$  is càdlàg and adapted to  $(\mathcal{F}''_{t-\Delta(P)})_{t \geq \Delta(P)}$  generated by  $\rho'$  and the constituent Brownian motion and uniform processes during  $Q$ . Obviously,  $\Delta(P; Q) = \Delta(P) + \Delta(Q)$  is a Markov time.  $H = H' \wedge H''$  is adapted to  $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}$ , which includes the two parts  $(\mathcal{F}'_t)_{t \geq 0}$  and  $(\mathcal{F}''_{t-\Delta(P)})_{t \geq \Delta(P)}$ , since the two parts  $H'$ ,  $H''$  are adapted respectively. By induction hypothesis,  $H$  is càdlàg on  $[0, \Delta(P))$  and on  $(\Delta(P), \Delta(P; Q))$ , because the constituent fragments are, and at  $\Delta(P)$ ,  $H$  is càdlàg by construction.
- Case  $\langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle \triangleright \llbracket_{i \in I} (\omega_i \cdot ch_i * \rightarrow Q_i) \rrbracket$ : If the evolution of  $\langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle$  terminates before any communication occurs, this case is same as  $\langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& B \rangle$ . Otherwise, some communication is chosen to occur and the corresponding  $Q_i$  is executed. By induction hypothesis and the case for sequential composition, the results can be proved obviously. Here we omit the details.
- Case  $P \parallel Q$ : Suppose  $(P_1 \parallel P_2, \rho_1 \uplus \rho_2) \rightarrow (\epsilon \parallel \epsilon, \rho'_1 \uplus \rho'_2, H_1 \uplus H_2)$ . Because the processes  $P$  and  $Q$  don't share variables, by induction hypothesis,  $H = H_1 \uplus H_2$  is càdlàg and adapted to the filtration generated by  $\rho_1 \uplus \rho_2$ ,  $(W_s)_{s \leq t}$  and uniform processes during  $P$  and  $Q$ .  $\Delta(P \parallel Q) = \max(\Delta(P), \Delta(Q))$  is a Markov time.

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## 5. Assertions and specifications

In this section, we define a specification logic for reasoning about SHCSP programs. We will first present the assertions including syntax and semantics, and then the specifications based on Hoare triples. The proof system will be given in next section.

### 5.1. Assertion language

The assertion language is essentially defined by a first-order logic with emphasis on the notion of explicit time and the addition of several specific predicates on occurrence of communication traces and events. Before giving the syntax of assertions, we introduce three kinds of expression first.

$$\begin{aligned}
Ce & ::= h \mid \varepsilon \mid \langle ch, T \rangle \mid Ce \cdot Ce \mid Ce^* \mid tr \\
Ve & ::= v \mid b \mid x \mid f^k(E_1, \dots, E_k) \\
Te & ::= o \mid d \mid now \mid u^l(T_1, \dots, T_l)
\end{aligned}$$

$Ce$  defines trace expressions, including a logical trace variable  $h$ , an empty trace  $\varepsilon$ , a communication pair  $\langle ch, T \rangle$  representing that a communication along channel  $ch$  has occurred at time  $T$ , a concatenation of two traces  $Ce_1 \cdot Ce_2$ , and the system variable  $tr$  for representing the communication trace of the system.  $Ve$  defines value expressions, including a logical value variable  $v$ , a value constant  $b$ , a variable  $x$ , or an arithmetic function application.  $Te$  defines time expressions, including a time logical variable  $o$ , a time constant  $d$ , the system variable  $now$ , or arithmetic time expressions.

The categories of the assertion language include terms, denoted by  $\theta, \theta_1$  etc., state formulas, denoted by  $S, S_1$  etc., probabilistic state formulas, denoted by  $PS, PS_1$ , and probabilistic formulas, denoted by  $PF, PF_1$  etc., which are given by the following syntax:

$$\begin{aligned} \theta & ::= Ve \mid Te \mid Ce \\ S & ::= \perp \mid R^n(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n) \mid h.ch? \mid h.ch!G(\cdot) \mid \neg S \mid S_1 \vee S_2 \mid \forall v.S \\ PS & ::= \perp \mid P(S) \bowtie p \mid \neg PS \mid PS \vee PS \mid \forall v.PS \mid B?PS \mid PS + PS \\ PF & ::= \perp \mid PS \text{ at } T \mid \neg PF \mid PF \vee PF \mid \forall v.PF \mid \forall t.PF \end{aligned}$$

The terms  $\theta$  include value, time and trace expressions. The state expressions  $S$  include false (denoted by  $\perp$ ), truth-valued relation  $R^n$  on terms, readiness, and logical combinations of state formulas. Notice that the connectives  $\wedge, \rightarrow, \exists$  can be derived from the existing ones. In particular, the readiness  $h.ch?$  represents that the communication event over  $ch?$  is enabled, and prior to it, the sequence of communications recorded in  $h$  has occurred; and  $h.ch!G(\cdot)$  has similar meaning, except that the communication event over  $ch!$  will send a value satisfying property  $G(\cdot)$ . For the property  $G(\cdot)$ , when it is instantiated with an arbitrary variable  $x$ ,  $G(x)$  is a first-order logical formula. Both the terms  $\theta$  and  $S$  are defined for characterizing deterministic states in set  $\mathcal{D}$ .

The probabilistic state formulas are defined for characterizing the probabilistic states in  $\Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ . The intuitive explanation of the probabilistic state formulas are given below:

- $P(S) \bowtie p$ , where  $\bowtie \in \{<, =, >\}$  and  $p \in [0, 1]$ , asserts that  $S$  holds at the considered state with probability satisfying  $\bowtie p$ ;
- The traditional logical combinations  $\neg, \vee, \forall$  can be understood as usual;
- $B?PS$  performs conditional test. It holds for a state if it is a conditional version of some state satisfying  $PS$ ;
- $PS + PS'$  performs addition. It holds for a state if it can be split into two parts satisfying  $PS$  and  $PS'$  respectively;

The probabilistic formulas  $PF$  add real time to the probabilistic state formulas. It include false, a primitive  $PS$  at  $T$  representing that  $PS$  holds at time  $T$ , and logical combinations of formulas ( $v, t$  represent logical variables for values and time resp.). For time primitive, we have the following two new axioms:

$$\begin{aligned} (PS_1 \text{ at } T \wedge PS_2 \text{ at } T) &\Leftrightarrow (PS_1 \wedge PS_2) \text{ at } T \\ (PS_1 \text{ at } T \vee PS_2 \text{ at } T) &\Leftrightarrow (PS_1 \vee PS_2) \text{ at } T \end{aligned}$$

In the sequel, we use the logical abbreviation  $PS \text{ dr } [T_1, T_2]$  to represent that  $PS$  holds during the time interval  $[T_1, T_2]$ , with the following definition:

$$PS \text{ dr } [T_1, T_2] \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \forall t.(T_1 \leq t \leq T_2) \Rightarrow PS \text{ at } t$$

**Interpretation** In the following, we will use a random variable  $Z : \Omega \rightarrow (Var \rightarrow Val)$  to describe the current state and a stochastic process  $\mathcal{H} : [0, +\infty) \times \Omega \rightarrow (Var \rightarrow Val)$  to represent the whole evolution. Moreover, let  $LVar$  denote the set of all logical variables introduced in the formulas, we use an interpretation  $L : \Omega \rightarrow (LVar \rightarrow Val)$  to record the assignment of the logical variables.

The semantics of terms  $\theta$ , denoted by  $\llbracket \theta \rrbracket_L^Z$ , returns a value of type  $\Omega \rightarrow Val$ . We define the semantics for the three kinds of expressions respectively. The semantics of value expressions  $\llbracket Ve \rrbracket_L^Z$  is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket v \rrbracket_L^Z &= X \text{ where } X(\omega) = L(\omega)(v) \text{ for } \omega \in \Omega \\ \llbracket b \rrbracket_L^Z &= b \\ \llbracket x \rrbracket_L^Z &= Y \text{ where } Y(\omega) = Z(\omega)(x) \text{ for } \omega \in \Omega \\ \llbracket f^k(E_1, \dots, E_k) \rrbracket_L^Z &= f^k(\llbracket E_1 \rrbracket_L^Z, \dots, \llbracket E_k \rrbracket_L^Z) \end{aligned}$$

The semantics of time expressions  $\llbracket Te \rrbracket_L^Z$  is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket o \rrbracket_L^Z &= X \text{ where } X(\omega) = L(\omega)(o) \text{ for } \omega \in \Omega \\ \llbracket d \rrbracket_L^Z &= d \\ \llbracket now \rrbracket_L^Z &= Y \text{ where } Y(\omega) = Z(\omega)(now) \text{ for } \omega \in \Omega \\ \llbracket u^l(T_1, \dots, T_l) \rrbracket_L^Z &= u^l(\llbracket T_1 \rrbracket_L^Z, \dots, \llbracket T_l \rrbracket_L^Z) \end{aligned}$$

The semantics of trace expressions  $\llbracket Ce \rrbracket_L^Z$  is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket h \rrbracket_L^Z &= X \text{ where } X(\omega) = L(\omega)(h) \text{ for } \omega \in \Omega \\ \llbracket \varepsilon \rrbracket_L^Z &= \varepsilon \\ \llbracket \langle ch, T \rangle \rrbracket_L^Z &= \langle ch, \llbracket T \rrbracket_L^Z \rangle \\ \llbracket Ce_1 \cdot Ce_2 \rrbracket_L^Z &= \llbracket Ce_1 \rrbracket_L^Z \cdot \llbracket Ce_2 \rrbracket_L^Z \\ \llbracket Ce^* \rrbracket_L^Z &= (\llbracket Ce \rrbracket_L^Z)^* \\ \llbracket tr \rrbracket_L^Z &= Y \text{ where } Y(\omega) = Z(\omega)(tr) \text{ for } \omega \in \Omega \end{aligned}$$

The semantics of state formulas  $S$ , denoted by  $\llbracket S \rrbracket_L^Z$ , returns a value of type  $\Omega \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ . The definition is given as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket \perp \rrbracket_L^Z &= 0 \\ \llbracket R^n(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n) \rrbracket_L^Z &= R^n(\llbracket \theta_1 \rrbracket_L^Z, \dots, \llbracket \theta_n \rrbracket_L^Z) \\ &\text{ where } R^n(\llbracket \theta_1 \rrbracket_L^Z, \dots, \llbracket \theta_n \rrbracket_L^Z)(\omega) = R^n(\llbracket \theta_1 \rrbracket_L^Z(\omega), \dots, \llbracket \theta_n \rrbracket_L^Z(\omega)) \\ \llbracket h.ch? \rrbracket_L^Z &= \mathcal{I}_{\{\omega \in \Omega \mid \llbracket h \rrbracket_L^Z(\omega).ch?|_{ch} \in Z(\omega)(rdy)|_{ch}\}} \\ \llbracket h.ch!G(\cdot) \rrbracket_L^Z &= \exists c. G(c) \wedge \mathcal{I}_{\{\omega \in \Omega \mid \llbracket h \rrbracket_L^Z(\omega).ch!c|_{ch} \in Z(\omega)(rdy)|_{ch}\}} \\ \llbracket \neg S \rrbracket_L^Z &= 1 - \llbracket S \rrbracket_L^Z \\ \llbracket S_1 \vee S_2 \rrbracket_L^Z &= \llbracket S_1 \rrbracket_L^Z + \llbracket S_2 \rrbracket_L^Z - \llbracket S_1 \rrbracket_L^Z * \llbracket S_2 \rrbracket_L^Z \\ \llbracket \forall v.S \rrbracket_L^Z &= \forall c : \mathbb{R}. \llbracket S[c/v] \rrbracket_L^Z \end{aligned}$$

In particular,  $\llbracket h.ch? \rrbracket_L^Z(\omega) = 1$  denotes that, there exists a sequence in the  $rdy$  set of  $\omega$  such that it has the same projection to  $ch$  as  $h.ch?$ , and  $\llbracket h.ch!G(\cdot) \rrbracket_L^Z(\omega) = 1$  denotes that, there exists a sequence in the  $rdy$  set of  $\omega$ , say  $h'.ch!c$ , such that it has the same projection to  $ch$  as  $h.ch!G(\cdot)$ , and furthermore  $G(c)$  holds, i.e.  $G(\cdot)$  is the property of the value received from the sender. Notice that we use the projection to  $ch$  instead of the history trace  $h$  itself, because we only care about the history of the communications that have occurred over channel  $ch$  in the past.

The semantics of probabilistic state formulas  $PS$ , denoted by  $\llbracket PS \rrbracket_L^Z$ , returns a boolean value, defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket P(S) \bowtie p \rrbracket_L^Z &= (P(\llbracket S \rrbracket_L^Z = 1) \bowtie p) = (P(\{\omega \in \Omega : \llbracket S \rrbracket_L^Z(\omega) = 1\}) \bowtie p) \\ \llbracket B?PS \rrbracket_L^Z &= \exists Z_1. Z = B?Z_1 \wedge \llbracket PS \rrbracket_L^{Z_1} \\ \llbracket PS + PS' \rrbracket_L^Z &= \exists Z_1, Z_2. Z = Z_1 + Z_2 \wedge \llbracket PS \rrbracket_L^{Z_1} \wedge \llbracket PS' \rrbracket_L^{Z_2} \end{aligned}$$

where  $Z = B?Z_1$  means that  $Z(\omega) = Z_1(\omega)$  iff  $\llbracket B \rrbracket_L^{Z_1}(\omega) = 1$ . The connectives  $\neg$ ,  $\vee$  and  $\forall$  can be defined as usual.

The semantics of formula  $PF$ , denoted by  $\llbracket PF \rrbracket_L^{\mathcal{H}, Z}$ , is interpreted over a stochastic process, an initial random variable and the logical interpretation, and it returns a boolean value. The definition of the time primitive formula is given below:

$$\llbracket PS \text{ at } T \rrbracket_L^{\mathcal{H}, Z} = \llbracket PS \rrbracket^{\mathcal{H}(\llbracket T \rrbracket_L^Z)}$$

The others can be defined as usual.

We have proved that the terms and state formulas of the assertion language are measurable, stated by the following theorem:

**Theorem 5.1** (Measurability) *For any random variable  $Z$  and any stochastic process  $\mathcal{H}$ , the semantics of  $\llbracket \theta \rrbracket_L^Z$  and  $\llbracket S \rrbracket_L^Z$  are random variables (i.e. measurable).*

*Proof* We will prove this fact by induction on the structure of  $\theta$  and  $S$ .

We list several cases for the proof of  $\llbracket \theta \rrbracket_L^Z$  in the following, and the rest can be proved similarly.

- $\llbracket c \rrbracket_L^Z = c$  is a random variable trivially.
- $\llbracket x \rrbracket_L^Z = Y$  is a random variable, because  $Y(\omega) = Z(\omega)(x)$  for each  $\omega \in \Omega$  and  $Z$  is measurable.

- $\llbracket f^k(E_1, \dots, E_k) \rrbracket_L^Z = f^k(\llbracket E_1 \rrbracket_L^Z, \dots, \llbracket E_k \rrbracket_L^Z)$  is a random variable, because  $\llbracket E_1 \rrbracket_L^Z, \dots, \llbracket E_k \rrbracket_L^Z$  are measurable and  $f^k$  is Borel-measurable. Thus, the composition  $f^k(\llbracket E_1 \rrbracket_L^Z, \dots, \llbracket E_k \rrbracket_L^Z)$  is measurable (the  $\sigma$ -algebras in the composition are compatible).
- $\llbracket h_1 \cdot h_2 \rrbracket_L^Z = \llbracket h_1 \rrbracket_L^Z \cdot \llbracket h_2 \rrbracket_L^Z$  is a product. It is also measurable by induction hypothesis (measurable functions form an algebra).

We list several cases for the proof of  $\llbracket S \rrbracket_L^Z$  in the following, and the rest can be proved similarly.

- $\llbracket h.ch!G(\cdot) \rrbracket_L^Z = \exists c. G(c) \wedge \mathcal{I}_{\{\omega \in \Omega \mid \llbracket h \rrbracket_L^Z(\omega).ch!c \mid_{ch \in Z(\omega)(rdy)} \mid_{ch}\}}$  is measurable, because it is defined by a quantified formula, which is a conjunction of first-order formula  $G$  and a characteristic function. Both of them are measurable.
- $\llbracket \neg S \rrbracket_L^Z = 1 - \llbracket S \rrbracket_L^Z$  is measurable, because  $\llbracket S \rrbracket_L^Z$  is measurable by induction hypothesis.  $\llbracket R^n(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n) \rrbracket_L^Z, \llbracket h.ch! \rrbracket_L^Z$  and  $\llbracket S_1 \vee S_2 \rrbracket_L^Z$  can be proved similarly.

□

As a consequence of Theorem 5.1, the probabilistic state formulas  $PS$  are well defined, i.e. the probability with which some state formula  $S$  holds or not is definable. By Theorem 4.1, the flow of a process is adapted and *càdlàg*, thus the probabilistic formulas  $PF$  are also well defined.

## 5.2. Specifications

Based on the assertion language, the specification for an SHCSP process  $P$  is defined as a Hoare triple of the form  $\{A; E\} P \{R; C\}$ , where  $A, E, R, C$  are probability formulas.  $A$  and  $R$  are *precondition* and *postcondition*, which specify the initial state and the terminating state of  $P$  respectively. For both of them, the formulas  $PF$  occurring in them have the special form  $PS$  at *now*, and we will always write  $PS$  for short.  $E$  is called an *assumption* of  $P$ , which expresses the timed occurrence of the dual of communication events provided by the environment.  $C$  is called a *commitment* of  $P$ , which expresses the timed occurrence of communication events, and the real-time properties of  $P$ .

**Definition 5.1 (Validity)** We say a Hoare triple  $\{A; E\} P \{R; C\}$  is valid, denoted by  $\models \{A; E\} P \{R; C\}$ , iff for any process  $Q$ , any initial states  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$ , if  $P$  terminates, i.e.  $(P \parallel Q, \rho_1 \uplus \rho_2) \xrightarrow{\alpha^*} (\epsilon \parallel Q', \rho'_1 \uplus \rho'_2, \mathcal{H})$  then  $\llbracket A \rrbracket^{\rho_1}$  and  $\llbracket E \rrbracket^{\mathcal{H}, \rho_2}$  imply  $\llbracket R \rrbracket^{\rho'_1}$  and  $\llbracket C \rrbracket^{\mathcal{H}, \rho'_1}$ , where  $\mathcal{H}$  is the stochastic process of the evolution.

In this paper, we only consider partial correctness of a SHCSP process. As most stochastic hybrid systems are reactive, the termination of the systems is less important compared to safety. Some hybrid systems even do not terminate at all.

## 6. Proof system

Before giving the proof system, we introduce the notion of local and global invariants, for handling the SDEs and loop repetition respectively.

### 6.1. Local and global invariants

**Definition 6.1 (Local differential invariant)** The probabilistic formula  $Inv_{sde}$  is a local differential invariant of  $\langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle$  with respect to the precondition  $Init$ , iff the following formulas hold:

- $Init \wedge PB \rightarrow Inv_{sde}$ , representing that the initial states satisfy the invariant;
- $Inv_{sde} \rightarrow \llbracket \langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle \rrbracket Inv_{sde}$ , representing that starting from a state satisfying the invariant, the execution of the SDE preserves the invariant.

**Definition 6.2 (Global loop invariant)** The probabilistic formula  $Inv_{loop}$  is a global differential invariant of  $P^*$  with respect to the precondition  $Init$  and the environment assumption  $Env$ , iff the following formulas hold:

- $Init \rightarrow Inv_{loop}$ , representing that the initial states satisfy the invariant;
- $Inv_{loop} \rightarrow \llbracket P, Env \rrbracket Inv_{loop}$ , representing that starting from a state satisfying the invariant, the execution of the loop body under the given environment  $Env$  preserves the invariant.

## 6.2. Axioms and inference rules of SHCSP

We present a proof system for reasoning about all valid Hoare triples for SHCSP processes. First we axiomatize SHCSP language by defining the axioms and inference rules for all the primitive and compound constructs, and then the general rules and axioms that are applicable to all processes.

**Skip** The rule for **skip** is very simple. Indicated by  $\top$ , the skip process as an internal action requires nothing from the environment; and it takes no time to complete, thus guarantees nothing to the history. The execution of **skip** produces a  $\tau$  event. For simplicity, we abbreviate  $h \cdot \langle \tau, now \rangle$  as  $h + \tau$  in the rest of this paper.

$$\{A \wedge tr = h; \top\} \mathbf{skip} \{A[h/tr] \wedge tr = h + \tau; \top\}$$

**Assignment** The assignment  $x := e$  changes nothing but assigns  $x$  to  $e$  and extends the trace by  $\tau$  in the final state.

$$\{A \wedge x = v \wedge tr = h; \top\} x := e \{A[x, h/v, tr] \wedge x = e \wedge tr = h + \tau; \top\}$$

**Input** For input  $ch?x$ , we use logical variables  $o$  to denote the starting time,  $h$  the initial trace, and  $v$  the initial value of  $x$  respectively, in the precondition. The assumption indicates that no compatible output event is ready during  $[o, o_1)$ , and at time  $o_1$ , with probability  $p$ , a compatible output event with a value satisfying  $F(\cdot)$  transmitted becomes ready. As a consequence of the assumption, during the whole interval  $[o, o_1]$ , the input event keeps waiting and ready, as indicated by the commitment. At time  $o_1$ , the communication occurs and terminates immediately. As indicated by the postcondition, with probability equal or greater than  $p$ ,  $now$  is increased to  $o_1$  (this is because, there may exist a compatible  $ch!$  event occurring at  $o_1$  while not satisfying  $F(\cdot)$ , but it can still make the communication over  $ch$  complete at  $o_1$ ), and furthermore, with probability  $p$ ,  $F(x)$  holds and the trace is augmented by the new pair  $\langle ch, o_1 \rangle$ . Assume  $o_1$  is finite (and this assumption will be adopted for the rest of the paper). The rule is presented as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & \{A \wedge now = o \wedge tr = h \wedge x = v; \neg h.ch! \mathbf{dr} [o, o_1] \wedge P(h.ch!F(\cdot)) = p \mathbf{at} o_1\} ch?x \\ & \{A[o, h, v/now, tr, x] \wedge P(now = o_1) \geq p \wedge P(F(x) \wedge tr = h \cdot \langle ch, o_1 \rangle) = p; h.ch? \mathbf{dr} [o, o_1]\} \end{aligned}$$

If such finite  $o_1$  does not exist, i.e., the compatible output event will never become available. As a consequence, the input event will keep waiting forever, as shown by the following rule:

$$\{A \wedge now = o \wedge tr = h; \neg h.ch! \mathbf{dr} [o, \infty)\} ch?x \{\{A[o/now] \wedge now = \infty; h.ch? \mathbf{dr} [o, \infty)\}\}$$

**Output** Similarly, for output  $ch!e$ , we have one rule for the case when the compatible input event becomes ready in finite time. Thus the communication occurs successfully. Let  $G(v) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (v = e)$  for all  $v$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & \{A \wedge now = o \wedge tr = h; \neg h.ch? \mathbf{dr} [o, o_1] \wedge P(h.ch?) = p \mathbf{at} o_1\} ch!e \\ & \{A[o, h/now, tr] \wedge P(now = o_1) \geq p \wedge P(tr = h \cdot \langle ch, o_1 \rangle) = p, h.ch!G(\cdot) \mathbf{dr} [o, o_1]\} \end{aligned}$$

We also have another rule for the case when the compatible input event will never become ready.

$$\{A \wedge now = o \wedge tr = h; (\neg h.ch?) \mathbf{dr} [o, \infty)\} ch!e \{\{A[o/now] \wedge now = \infty; h.ch! \mathbf{dr} [o, \infty)\}\}$$

**Stochastic continuous evolution** Based on the notion of stochastic differential invariant, we have the following rule for  $\langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle$ .

$$\frac{Inv_{sde} \text{ is a stochastic differential invariant of } \langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle \text{ with respect to } A}{\{A \wedge s = s_0 \wedge now = o \wedge tr = h; \top\} \langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle} \\ \{A[s_0, o, h/s, now, tr] \wedge tr = h + \tau \wedge cl(\neg PB) \wedge Inv_{sde}; (PB \wedge Inv_{sde}) \mathbf{dr} [o, now)\}$$

where  $o, s_0$  are logical variables denoting the starting time and the initial value of  $s$  resp., and  $cl()$  returns the closure of a formula, e.g.  $cl(P(x < 2) = p) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} P(x \leq 2) = p$ . The rule states that, throughout the whole evolution except for the escaping point, the domain  $PB$  and the invariant  $Inv_{sde}$  hold almost surely, and furthermore, at the termination, the closure of  $\neg PB$  holds almost surely.



**Sequential composition** For  $P$ ;  $Q$ , we use  $o$  to denote the starting time, and  $o_1$  the termination time of  $P$ , if  $P$  terminates, which is also the starting time of  $Q$ . The first rule is for the case when  $P$  terminates.

$$\frac{\{A \wedge \text{now} = o; E\} P \{R_1 \wedge \text{now} = o_1; C_1\} \{R_1 \wedge \text{now} = o_1; E[o/\text{now}]\} Q \{R; C\}}{\{A; E\} P; Q \{R; C_1[o_1/\text{now}] \wedge C\}}$$

On the other hand, if  $P$  does not terminate, the effect of executing  $P$ ;  $Q$  is same to that of executing  $P$  itself.

$$\frac{\{A \wedge \text{now} = o; E\} P \{R \wedge \text{now} = \infty; C\}}{\{A \wedge \text{now} = o; E\} P; Q \{R \wedge \text{now} = \infty; C\}}$$

**Conditional** There are two cases depending on whether  $B$  holds or not. For both cases, the evaluation of  $B$  produces a  $\tau$  event, as indicated by the following rule.

$$\frac{\{B?A[h/\text{tr}] \wedge \text{tr} = h + \tau; E\} P \{R; C\}}{\{A \wedge \text{now} = o \wedge \text{tr} = h; E\} B \rightarrow P \{R + (\neg B?A[h/\text{tr}] \wedge \text{tr} = h + \tau); C + (\text{now} = o \text{ at } \text{now})\}}$$

**Probabilistic choice** The rule for  $P \sqcup_p Q$  is defined as follows:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \{A; E\} P \{P(S) \bowtie_1 p_1; P(S') \bowtie_2 p_2 \text{ at } T\} \\ \{A; E\} Q \{P(S) \bowtie_1 q_1; P(S') \bowtie_2 q_2 \text{ at } T\} \end{array}}{\{A; E\} P \sqcup_p Q \{P(S) \bowtie_1 pp_1 + (1-p)q_1; P(S') \bowtie_2 pp_2 + (1-p)q_2 \text{ at } T\}}$$

where  $\bowtie_1, \bowtie_2$  are two relational operators. The final postcondition indicates that, if after  $P$  terminates  $S$  holds with probability  $\bowtie_1 p_1$ , and after  $Q$  terminates  $S$  holds with probability  $\bowtie_1 q_1$ , then after  $P \sqcup_p Q$  terminates,  $S$  holds with probability  $\bowtie_1 pp_1 + (1-p)q_1$ ; The history formula can be understood similarly.

**Communication interrupt** We use a logical variable  $o_F$  to denote the execution time of the SDE. The premise of the first rule indicates that the compatible events of  $\{ch_i^*\}_{i \in I}$  are not ready after the continuous terminates. For this case, the effect of executing the whole process is thus equivalent to that of executing the SDE.

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \{A \wedge \text{now} = o; E\} \langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle \{R \wedge \text{now} = o + o_F; C\} \\ \forall i \in I. A \wedge \text{now} = o \wedge \text{tr} = h \wedge E \Rightarrow (\neg h. \overline{ch_i^*} \text{ dr } [o, o + o_F]) \end{array}}{\{A \wedge \text{now} = o \wedge \text{tr} = h; E\} \langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle \sqsupseteq \prod_{i \in I} (\omega_i \cdot ch_i^* \rightarrow Q_i) \{R \wedge \text{now} = o + o_F; C\}}$$

By contrast, when some compatible events become ready before the continuous evolution terminates, the continuous evolution will be interrupted by one of the communications with the corresponding probability indicated by the weight of it.

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \{A \wedge \text{now} = o; E\} \langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle \{R \wedge \text{now} = o + o_F; C\} \\ (A \wedge \text{now} = o \wedge \text{tr} = h \wedge E) \Rightarrow (\wedge_{1 \leq j \leq n} h. \overline{ch_{i_j}^*} \text{ at } (o + o_1) \wedge o_1 \leq o_F) \\ \forall 1 \leq j \leq n. \{now = o \wedge \text{tr} = h; E\} ch_{i_j}^*; Q_{i_j} \{P(S) \bowtie_1 p_{i_j}; P(S') \bowtie_2 q_{i_j} \text{ at } T\} \end{array}}{\{A \wedge \text{now} = o \wedge s = s_0 \wedge \text{tr} = h; E\} \langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle \sqsupseteq \prod_{i \in I} (\omega_i \cdot ch_i^* \rightarrow Q_i) \\ \{P(S) \bowtie_1 \bigoplus_{1 \leq j \leq n} \frac{\omega_{i_j}}{\sum_{j=1}^n \omega_{i_j}} \cdot p_{i_j}; (PB \wedge \text{Inv}_{sde}) \text{ dr } [o, o + o_1] \wedge \text{After}C\}}$$

where  $\text{After}C$  is defined as  $P(S') \bowtie_2 \sum_{1 \leq j \leq n} (\frac{\omega_{i_j}}{\sum_{j=1}^n \omega_{i_j}} \cdot q_{i_j}) \text{ at } T$  if  $T \geq o + o_1$ , and  $(\bigoplus_{1 \leq j \leq n} P(S') \bowtie_2 q_{i_j}) \text{ at } T$  if  $T < o + o_1$ .  $\bigoplus_{1 \leq k \leq n} F_k$  is defined as  $F_1$  if  $n$  is 1, otherwise  $\bigoplus_{1 \leq k \leq (n-1)} F_k + F_n$  if  $n$  is greater than 1. In the first  $o_1$  time, the domain  $PB$  and the differential invariant  $\text{Inv}_{sde}$  of the SDE hold.

**Parallel composition** For  $P \parallel Q$ , let  $X$  be  $X_1 \cap X_2$  where  $X_1 = \Sigma(P)$  and  $X_2 = \Sigma(Q)$ . For each parallel process, we assume it starts from time 0 and an empty trace. Suppose  $A$  defines the initial values of state variables of  $P$  and  $Q$ , then

$$\begin{array}{c}
A \Rightarrow A_1 \wedge A_2, \quad \{A_1 \wedge \text{now} = 0 \wedge \text{tr} = \varepsilon; E_1\} P \{R_1 \wedge \text{now} = o_1; C_1\} \\
\quad \{A_2 \wedge \text{now} = 0 \wedge \text{tr} = \varepsilon; E_2\} Q \{R_2 \wedge \text{now} = o_2; C_2\} \\
\quad \forall ch \in X. (C_1[o_1/\text{now}] \uparrow_{ch} \Rightarrow E_2 \uparrow_{ch}) \wedge (C_2[o_2/\text{now}] \uparrow_{ch} \Rightarrow E_1 \uparrow_{ch}) \\
\quad \forall dh \in X_1 \setminus X. E \uparrow_{dh} \Rightarrow E_1 \uparrow_{dh} \quad \forall dh' \in X_2 \setminus X. E \uparrow_{dh'} \Rightarrow E_2 \uparrow_{dh'} \\
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\{A \wedge \text{now} = 0 \wedge \text{tr} = \varepsilon; E\} P \parallel Q \{R; C'_1 \wedge C'_2\}
\end{array}$$

$$R \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} R_1[\gamma_1/\text{tr}, o_1/\text{now}] \wedge R_2[\gamma_2/\text{tr}, o_2/\text{now}] \wedge \text{now} = o_m \wedge \gamma_1 \uparrow_X = \gamma_2 \uparrow_X \wedge \text{tr} = (\gamma_1 \parallel \gamma_2)_C$$

$$C'_i \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} C_i[o_i/\text{now}] \wedge R'_i[o_i/\text{now}] \text{ dr } [o_i, \text{now}] \text{ for } i = 1, 2$$

where  $A_1$  is a probabilistic formula of  $P$  (i.e., it only contains state variables of  $P$ ),  $A_2$  a probabilistic formula of  $Q$ ,  $o_1$  and  $o_2$ ,  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  logical variables representing the termination time and the accumulated traces of  $P$  and  $Q$  respectively,  $o_m$  the  $\max\{o_1, o_2\}$ , for  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $R_i \Rightarrow R'_i$  but  $\text{tr} \notin R'_i$ .

The compatibility check is performed between  $P$  and  $Q$ : the environmental assumption of  $P$  (resp.  $Q$ ), i.e.  $E_1$  (resp.  $E_2$ ), is guaranteed by the commitment of  $Q$  (resp.  $P$ ) and the overall environment  $E$  of  $P \parallel Q$ . At termination of  $P \parallel Q$ , the time will be the maximum of the termination time of  $P$  and  $Q$ , thus it is the maximum of  $o_1$  and  $o_2$ ; and the trace is the alphabetized parallel of the traces after  $P$  and  $Q$ , which is  $(\gamma_1 \parallel \gamma_2)_C$ . In  $C'_1$  and  $C'_2$ , we specify that none of variables of  $P$  and  $Q$  except for  $\text{now}$  and  $\text{tr}$  will change after their termination.

**Repetition** For  $P^*$ , let  $\text{Inv}_{\text{loop}}$  be the global loop invariant of  $P$ , then

$$\frac{A \Rightarrow \text{Inv}_{\text{loop}} \quad \{\text{Inv}_{\text{loop}} \wedge \text{now} = o_i; E[o/\text{now}]\} P \{\text{Inv}_{\text{loop}}; \text{Inv}_{\text{loop}} \text{ dr } [o_i, \text{now}]\}}{\{A \wedge \text{now} = o; E\} P^* \{A[\mathbf{v}_o/\mathbf{v}] \wedge \text{Inv}_{\text{loop}}; \text{Inv}_{\text{loop}} \text{ dr } [o, \text{now}]\}}$$

where the logical variable  $o$  denotes the starting time of  $P^*$ ,  $o_i$  the starting time of each iteration of  $P$ , and the variable list  $\mathbf{v}$  represents the set of modified variables in  $\text{Var}^+(P)$  and  $\mathbf{v}_o$  their initial values.

The general rules that are applicable to all processes, such as Monotonicity, Case Analysis, and so on, are similar to the classical Hoare Logic.

### An example

We present a SHCSP example below and show how to apply the inference system to specify and verify its property. First, given a time  $T \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , define  $\text{wait } T$  to be an abbreviation for  $t := 0; \langle t = 1 \& t < T \rangle$ , i.e. time makes progress for  $T$  time units. We then define the processes  $P_1$ ,  $P_2$  and  $P_3$  as follows:

$$\begin{array}{l}
P_1 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle ds = b(s, a)dt + \sigma(s, a)dW \rangle \triangleright \prod_{i \in \{1,2\}} (\omega_i \cdot ch_i? a \rightarrow \text{skip}) \\
P_2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{wait } T_1; ch_1!1 \\
P_3 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{wait } T_2; ch_2!(-1)
\end{array}$$

where  $s$  is a continuous variable,  $a$  is a discrete variable,  $\omega_1 = 2$ ,  $\omega_2 = 3$ ,  $T_1, T_2 \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , and  $ch_1, ch_2$  are channels.

Consider the parallel process  $P_1 \parallel P_2 \parallel P_3$ . The SDE in  $P_1$  receives a value from  $P_2$  and  $P_3$  with different weights 2 and 3 respectively, and then assigns it to the control variable  $a$ , if both  $P_2$  and  $P_3$  are available to communicate with  $P_1$ . Otherwise,  $P_1$  receives a value from  $P_2$  or  $P_3$  depending on which is ready first. Below we denote the precondition, assumption, postcondition, and commitment of process  $S$  in  $\{P_1, P_2, P_3, P_1 \parallel P_2 \parallel P_3\}$  by  $S.Pre$ ,  $S.Env$ ,  $S.Post$  and  $S.Comt$  respectively. First of all, assume we have the following preconditions and environment assumptions for the processes:

$$\begin{array}{l}
(P_1 \parallel P_2 \parallel P_3).Pre \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} s = s_0 \wedge \text{now} = 0 \wedge \text{tr} = \varepsilon, \text{ for } i = 1, 2, 3 \\
P_1.Env \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \neg ch_1! \text{ dr } [0, T_1] \wedge ch_1!1 \text{ at } T_1 \wedge \neg ch_2! \text{ dr } [0, T_2] \wedge ch_2!(-1) \text{ at } T_2 \\
P_j.Env \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} P(ch_{j-1}?) = \frac{\omega_{j-1}}{5} \text{ at } T_{j-1}, \text{ for } j = 2, 3
\end{array}$$

The precondition indicates that, at the beginning of the execution of  $P_1 \parallel P_2 \parallel P_3$ ,  $s$  is initialized as  $s_0$ ,  $\text{now}$  as 0, and the trace  $\text{tr}$  as empty. The environmental assumption of  $P_1$  indicates that the partner communication event  $ch_1!$  is not ready until  $T_1$ , and  $ch_2!$  is not ready until  $T_2$ . The environmental assumption of  $P_2$  indicates that the partner communication event  $ch_1?$  is ready at time  $T_1$  with probability  $\frac{2}{5}$ . The environmental assumption of  $P_3$  can be explained similarly. Secondly, suppose for the SDE, we have the following specification:

$$\{P_1.Pre; P_1.Env\} \langle ds = b(s, a)dt + \sigma(s, a)dW \rangle \{R_F \wedge now = o_F; C_F\}$$

and meanwhile, we assume  $o_F > \max(T_1, T_2)$ . As a result, according to the semantics of the communication interrupt, the SDE will be interrupted by the communication along channel  $ch_1$  or channel  $ch_2$ , depending on the values of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ . In the following deduction, we will omit the details of the specification of the SDE, and focus on mainly the communication interaction between the processes and especially the effect of the probabilistic aspects brought by the communication interrupt.

By applying the rules for output and sequential composition, we can obtain the postconditions and commitments for  $P_2$  and  $P_3$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} P_2.Post &= P(now = T_1) \geq \frac{2}{5} \wedge P(tr = \langle ch_1, T_1 \rangle) = \frac{2}{5} \\ P_2.Comt &= ch_1!1 \text{ at } T_1 \\ P_3.Post &= P(now = T_2) \geq \frac{3}{5} \wedge P(tr = \langle ch_2, T_2 \rangle) = \frac{3}{5} \\ P_3.Comt &= ch_2!(-1) \text{ at } T_2 \end{aligned}$$

By applying the rule for input, we prove the following specifications:

$$\begin{aligned} \{now = 0 \wedge tr = \varepsilon; P_1.Env\} ch_1?a; \mathbf{skip} \{now = T_1 \wedge a = 1 \wedge tr = \langle ch_1, T_1 \rangle; ch_1? \mathbf{dr} [0, T_1]\} \\ \{now = 0 \wedge tr = \varepsilon; P_1.Env\} ch_2?a; \mathbf{skip} \{now = T_2 \wedge a = -1 \wedge tr = \langle ch_2, T_2 \rangle; ch_2? \mathbf{dr} [0, T_2]\} \end{aligned}$$

For further use, denote the above two postconditions by  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  respectively. If  $T_1 = T_2$  holds, then  $P_1$  will communicate with both  $P_2$  and  $P_3$  with probabilities  $\frac{2}{5}$  and  $\frac{3}{5}$  respectively. By applying the second rule for communication interrupt, we have the following results:

$$\begin{aligned} P_1.Post &= now = T_1 \wedge P(a = 1) = \frac{2}{5} \wedge P(a = -1) = \frac{3}{5} \\ &\quad \wedge P(tr = \langle ch_1, T_1 \rangle) = \frac{2}{5} \wedge P(tr = \langle ch_1, T_1 \rangle) = \frac{3}{5} \\ P_1.Comt &= ch_1? \mathbf{dr} [0, T_1] \wedge P(ch_1?) = \frac{2}{5} \text{ at } T_1 \wedge ch_2? \mathbf{dr} [0, T_2] \wedge P(ch_2?) = \frac{3}{5} \text{ at } T_2 \end{aligned}$$

Finally, consider the parallel composition  $P_1 \parallel P_2 \parallel P_3$ . We check the compatibility between the processes and prove the following facts:

$$P_1.Comt \upharpoonright_{ch_1} \Rightarrow P_2.Env \upharpoonright_{ch_1}, P_1.Comt \upharpoonright_{ch_2} \Rightarrow P_3.Env \upharpoonright_{ch_2}, P_2.Comt \upharpoonright_{ch_1} \Rightarrow P_1.Env \upharpoonright_{ch_1}, P_3.Comt \upharpoonright_{ch_2} \Rightarrow P_1.Env \upharpoonright_{ch_2}$$

By applying the rule for parallel composition, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \{P_1.Pre; \top\} P_1 \parallel P_2 \parallel P_3 \{now = T_1 \wedge P(a = 1) = \frac{2}{5} \wedge P(a = -1) = \frac{3}{5} \\ \wedge P(\gamma_1 = \langle ch_1, T_1 \rangle) = \frac{2}{5} \wedge P(\gamma_1 = \langle ch_1, T_1 \rangle) = \frac{3}{5}; P_1.Comt \wedge P_2.Comt \wedge P_3.Comt\} \end{aligned}$$

which indicates that, after  $P_1 \parallel P_2 \parallel P_3$  terminates, the execution time is  $T_1$  (which is also  $T_2$ ), and for process  $P_1$ , the control variable  $a$  and the trace are 1 and  $\langle ch_1, T_1 \rangle$  with probability  $\frac{2}{5}$ , and are -1 and  $\langle ch_2, T_2 \rangle$  with probability  $\frac{3}{5}$  respectively.

For this example, we can also consider the cases when  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are not equal, for each of which,  $P_1$  will only communicate with one of them respectively.

### 6.3. Properties

**Definition 6.3** (Theorem) *If  $\{A; E\} P \{R; C\}$  is derivable from the inference system of SHCSP defined above, then it is called a theorem, denoted by  $\vdash \{A; E\} P \{R; C\}$ .*

We have proved the following theorem for the soundness of the inference system.

**Theorem 6.1** (Soundness) *If  $\vdash \{A; E\} P \{R; C\}$ , then  $\models \{A; E\} P \{R; C\}$ , i.e. every theorem of the proof system is valid.*

*Proof* To prove soundness, we need to show that the axioms are valid, and that every inference rule in the proof system preserves validity. That is, if every premise of the rule is valid, then the conclusion is also valid. We will prove the soundness theorem by induction on the structure of Stochastic HCSP processes  $P$ . In the following proof, we always assume  $P$  executes in parallel with its environment  $PE$ , and  $(P \parallel PE, \rho_1 \uplus \rho_2) \xrightarrow{\alpha^*} (\varepsilon \parallel PE', \rho'_1 \uplus \rho'_2, \mathcal{H})$ ,

$\mathcal{H}$  is the stochastic process of the evolution. Then what we need to prove is that,  $\llbracket A \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1}$  and  $\llbracket E \rrbracket_L^{\rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$  imply  $\llbracket R \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}$  and  $\llbracket C \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1', \mathcal{H}}$ .

Assume  $T_0 = \rho_1(now)$  for simplicity. Notice that  $T_0$  introduced here is a random variable of type  $\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Throughout the proof, we will introduce some random variables for assistance, and when there is no confusion, we will not explain them specially.

- **Case skip:**  $\rho_1' = \rho_1[tr + \tau]$ . We need to prove  $\llbracket A \wedge tr = h \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1} \Rightarrow \llbracket A[h/tr] \wedge tr = h + \tau \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}$ , which holds obviously.
- **Case Assignment  $x := e$ :** From the operational semantics, we have  $\rho_1' = \rho_1[x \mapsto e, tr \mapsto tr \cdot \langle \tau, now \rangle]$ . Assume  $\llbracket A \wedge tr = h \wedge x = v \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1}$ , we need to prove  $\llbracket A[v, h/x, tr] \wedge x = e \wedge tr = h + \tau \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}$ . Obviously this holds.
- **Case Input  $ch?x$ :** From the operational semantics, we have  $\rho_1' = \rho_1[now \mapsto T_0 + d, x \mapsto b, tr \mapsto tr \cdot \langle ch, T_0 + d \rangle]$  for some random variables  $d$  and  $b$ ; and for any  $\omega \in \Omega$  and any  $t \in [T_0(\omega), T_0(\omega) + d(\omega)]$ ,  $\rho_1(\omega)(tr).ch! \upharpoonright_{ch} \notin \mathcal{H}(t, \omega)(rdy) \upharpoonright_{ch}$ , and  $\rho_1(\omega)(tr).ch!b(\omega) \upharpoonright_{ch} \in \mathcal{H}(T_0(\omega) + d(\omega), \omega)(rdy) \upharpoonright_{ch}$ ; and for any  $t \in [T_0(\omega), T_0(\omega) + d(\omega)]$ ,  $\rho_1(\omega)(tr).ch? \in \mathcal{H}(t, \omega)(rdy)$ . Assume  $\llbracket A \wedge now = o \wedge tr = h \wedge x = v \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1}$  and  $\llbracket \neg h.ch! \text{ dr } [o, o_1] \wedge P(h.ch!F(\cdot)) = p \text{ at } o_1 \rrbracket_L^{\rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$ , we need to prove that  $\llbracket A[o, h, v/now, tr, x] \wedge P(now = o_1) \geq p \wedge P(F(x) \wedge tr = h \cdot \langle ch, o_1 \rangle) = p \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}$  and  $\llbracket h.ch? \text{ dr } [o, o_1] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1', \mathcal{H}}$ .

First from  $\llbracket A \wedge tr = h \wedge now = o \wedge x = v \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1}$ , we have  $\llbracket A[o, h, v/now, tr, x] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1}$ . Compare  $\rho_1'$  with  $\rho_1$ , we can find that only variables  $tr$ ,  $now$ , and  $x$  are changed. We obtain  $\llbracket A[o, h, v/now, tr, x] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}$ .

From the assumption  $\rho_2, \mathcal{H} \models \neg h.ch! \text{ dr } [o, o_1] \wedge P(h.ch!F(\cdot)) = p \text{ at } o_1$ , we can get the facts that

$$\begin{aligned} P(\{\omega : \forall t \in [L(\omega)(o), L(\omega)(o_1)].L(\omega)(h).ch! \upharpoonright_{ch} \notin \mathcal{H}(t, \omega)(rdy) \upharpoonright_{ch}\}) &= 1 \\ P(\{\omega : \exists c.F(c) \wedge L(\omega)(h).ch!c \upharpoonright_{ch} \in \mathcal{H}(L(\omega)(o_1), \omega)(rdy) \upharpoonright_{ch}\}) &= p \end{aligned}$$

For simplicity, we denote the second sample set above as  $\Omega_1$ . From  $\rho_1 \models tr = h \wedge now = o$ , then for all  $\omega$ ,  $\rho_1(\omega)(tr) = L(\omega)(h)$  and  $\rho_1(\omega)(now) = L(\omega)(o) = T_0(\omega)$ . Moreover, we have that, for any  $\omega \in \Omega'$ ,  $\llbracket now \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}(\omega) = T_0(\omega) + d(\omega) = L(\omega)(o_1)$ . Thus,  $P(\{\omega : \llbracket now = o_1 \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}(\omega)\}) \geq p$ ,  $P(now = o_1) \geq p$  is proved. For any  $\omega \in \Omega'$ , we have  $\llbracket F(x) \wedge tr = h \cdot \langle ch, o_1 \rangle \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}(\omega)$ . Thus,  $P(F(x) \wedge tr = h \cdot \langle ch, o_1 \rangle) \geq p$  is proved. On the other hand, for any  $\omega$  satisfying  $\llbracket F(x) \wedge tr = h \cdot \langle ch, o_1 \rangle \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}(\omega)$ , we have  $\omega \in \Omega'$  by letting  $c$  be  $b(\omega)$ , thus  $P(F(x) \wedge tr = h \cdot \langle ch, o_1 \rangle) = p$  is proved.

Finally, from the assumptions,  $o_1$  is less or equal than  $T_0 + d$  almost surely. As a result,  $\llbracket h.ch? \text{ dr } [o, o_1] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1', \mathcal{H}}$  is proved.

- **Case Output  $ch!e$ :** The fact can be proved similarly to  $ch?x$ .
- **Case Continuous  $\langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle$ :** From the operational semantics, there must exist a random variable  $d : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\rho_1' = \rho_1[now \mapsto now + d, s \mapsto X_d][tr \mapsto tr \cdot \langle \tau, now \rangle]$  and  $\mathcal{H} = H_d^{\rho_1, s, X}$ , where  $X : [0, d] \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d(s)}$  is the solution of  $ds = bdt + \sigma dW$  and  $\forall t \in [0, d]$ ,  $\llbracket PB \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1[now \mapsto now + t, s \mapsto X_t]} = \mathbf{True}$ , and  $\llbracket cl(\neg PB) \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'} = \mathbf{False}$ . Assume  $\llbracket A \wedge s = s_0 \wedge now = o \wedge tr = h \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1}$ , we need to prove  $\llbracket A[s_0, o, h/s, now, tr] \wedge tr = h + \tau \wedge cl(\neg PB) \wedge Inv_{sde} \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}$  and  $\llbracket (PB \wedge Inv_{sde}) \text{ dr } [o, now] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1', \mathcal{H}}$ . From  $\llbracket A \wedge s = s_0 \wedge now = o \wedge tr = h \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1}$ , we have  $\llbracket A[s_0, o, h/s, now, tr] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1}$ . Since only  $now$ ,  $s$ ,  $tr$  are changed in  $\rho_1'$ , thus  $\llbracket A[s_0, o, h/s, now, tr] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}$ .  $\llbracket tr = h + \tau \wedge cl(\neg PB) \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}$  and  $\llbracket PB \text{ dr } [o, now] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1', \mathcal{H}}$  hold obviously. From the definition of local differential invariant  $Inv_{sde}$  in Def. 6.1,  $\llbracket Inv_{sde} \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}$  and  $\llbracket Inv_{sde} \text{ dr } [o, now] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1', \mathcal{H}}$  can be proved directly.
- **Case Sequential Composition  $P; Q$ :** We assume the intermediate state at termination of  $P$  is  $\rho_1''$  (thus  $Q$  will start from  $\rho_1''$ ), and the behaviors of  $P$  and  $Q$  are  $\mathcal{H}_1$  and  $\mathcal{H}_2$  respectively, whose concatenation is exactly  $\mathcal{H}$ . Assume we have  $\llbracket A \wedge now = o \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1}$  and  $\llbracket E \rrbracket_L^{\rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$ , we need to prove that  $\llbracket R \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}$  and  $\llbracket C_1[o_1/now] \wedge C \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1', \mathcal{H}}$ , where  $\{A \wedge now = o; E\} P \{R_1 \wedge now = o_1; C_1\}$  and  $\{R_1 \wedge now = o_1; E[o/now]\} Q \{R; C\}$  as in the rule for sequential composition.

According to the inference rules, from  $\{A \wedge now = o; E\} P \{R_1 \wedge now = o_1 \wedge tr = h_1; C_1\}$ , we can get  $\{A \wedge now = o; E \upharpoonright_{\leq o_1}\} P \{R_1 \wedge now = o_1; C_1\}$ , where  $E \upharpoonright_{\leq o_1}$  only addresses the behavior of environment before or equal time  $o_1$ . Then the proof is given as follows: First, from  $\llbracket E \rrbracket_L^{\rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$ , we have  $\llbracket E \upharpoonright_{\leq o_1} \rrbracket_L^{\rho_2, \mathcal{H}_1} \rho_1, \mathcal{H}_1 \models E \upharpoonright_{\leq o_1}$ , then by induction hypothesis, for  $P$ , we have  $\llbracket R_1 \wedge now = o_1 \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1''}$  and  $\llbracket C_1 \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'', \mathcal{H}_1}$ . Similarly, by induction

hypothesis again for  $Q$ , we have  $\llbracket R \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1}$  and  $\llbracket C \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1, \mathcal{H}_2}$ , then  $\llbracket C \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1, \mathcal{H}}$ . From  $\llbracket C_1 \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1, \mathcal{H}_1}$ , we have  $\llbracket C_1[o_1/now] \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1, \mathcal{H}}$ . The result is proved finally.

- **Case Conditional  $B \rightarrow P$ :** Starting from  $B?\rho_1[tr + \tau]$ , under the same environment, assume the terminating state of  $P$  is  $\rho_P$  and the flow of  $P$  is  $\mathcal{H}_P$  respectively. Then according to the operational semantics, we have  $\rho'_1 = \rho_P + \neg B?\rho_1[tr + \tau]$ , and moreover  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_P + \neg B?\{\rho_1(now) \mapsto \rho_1[tr + \tau]\}$ . Assume  $\llbracket A \wedge now = o \wedge tr = h \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1}$  and  $\llbracket E \rrbracket_L^{\rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$ , then we need to prove  $\llbracket R + \neg B?A \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1}$  and  $\llbracket C + (now = o \text{ at } now) \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1, \mathcal{H}}$ .

From  $\llbracket A \wedge tr = h \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1}$ , we can get  $\llbracket B?A[h/tr] \wedge tr = h + \tau \rrbracket_L^{B?\rho_1[tr+\tau]}$ . By induction hypothesis, we obtain the following results:  $\llbracket R \rrbracket_L^{\rho_P}$  and  $\llbracket C \rrbracket_L^{\rho_P, \mathcal{H}_P}$ . On the other hand, from the definitions of probabilistic states and assertions, we can prove  $\llbracket \neg B?A[h/tr] \wedge tr = h + \tau \rrbracket_L^{\neg B?\rho_1[tr+\tau]}$  and  $\llbracket now = o \text{ at } now \rrbracket_L^{\neg B?\rho_1[tr+\tau], \neg B?\{\rho_1(now) \mapsto \rho_1[tr+\tau]\}}$ . The final result is proved by combining the above facts.

- **Case Probabilistic Choice  $P \sqcup_p Q$ :** Starting from  $\rho_1$ , under the same environment, assume the terminating states of  $P$  and  $Q$  are  $\rho_P$  and  $\rho_Q$ , and the flow of  $P$  and  $Q$  are  $\mathcal{H}_P$  and  $\mathcal{H}_Q$ , respectively. Then from the operational semantics, we have  $\rho'_1 = \mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?\rho_P + \mathcal{I}_{U > p}?\rho_Q$ , and moreover  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?\mathcal{H}_P + \mathcal{I}_{U > p}?\mathcal{H}_Q$ . Assume  $\llbracket A \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1}$  and  $\llbracket E \rrbracket_L^{\rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$ , then we need to prove  $\llbracket P(S) \bowtie_1 pp_1 + (1-p)q_1 \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1}$  and  $\llbracket P(S') \bowtie_2 pp_2 + (1-p)q_2 \text{ at } T \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1, \mathcal{H}}$ . Below for simplicity, denote the postconditions and commitments of  $P$  and  $Q$  by  $R_i$  and  $C_i$ , where  $i = 1, 2$ , respectively.

Consider the sample subset  $\Omega_P = \{\omega : U(\omega) \leq p\}$ . For all  $\omega \in \Omega_P$ , the execution of  $P \sqcup_p Q$  turns into the execution of  $P$ , and it will result in the state  $\mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?\rho_P$  and flow  $\mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?\mathcal{H}_P$ . From  $\{A; E\} P \{R_1; C_1\}$ , we can prove easily  $\{\mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?A; \mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?E\} P \{\mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?R_1; \mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?C_1\}$ . From the assumption  $\llbracket A \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1}$  and  $\llbracket E \rrbracket_L^{\rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$ , we can get the facts that  $\llbracket \mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?A \rrbracket_L^{\mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?\rho_1}$  and  $\llbracket \mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?E \rrbracket_L^{\mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?\rho_2, \mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?\mathcal{H}}$ , the second is exactly  $\llbracket \mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?E \rrbracket_L^{\mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?\rho_2, \mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?\mathcal{H}_P}$ . By induction hypothesis, we obtain the facts  $\llbracket \mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?R_1 \rrbracket_L^{\mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?\rho_P}$  and  $\llbracket \mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?C_1 \rrbracket_L^{\mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?\rho_P, \mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?\mathcal{H}_P}$ . Similarly, we can prove for  $Q$  that  $\llbracket \mathcal{I}_{U > p}?R_2 \rrbracket_L^{\mathcal{I}_{U > p}?\rho_Q}$  and  $\llbracket \mathcal{I}_{U > p}?C_2 \rrbracket_L^{\mathcal{I}_{U > p}?\rho_Q, \mathcal{I}_{U > p}?\mathcal{H}_Q}$ . Combining the two results, we have  $\llbracket \mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?R_1 + \mathcal{I}_{U > p}?R_2 \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1}$  and  $\llbracket \mathcal{I}_{U \leq p}?C_1 + \mathcal{I}_{U > p}?C_2 \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1, \mathcal{H}}$ . From the fact that the uniformly distributed random variable  $U$  is independent from all the other random variables, thus  $\llbracket P(S) \bowtie_1 pp_1 + (1-p)q_1 \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1}$  and  $\llbracket P(S') \bowtie_2 pp_2 + (1-p)q_2 \text{ at } T \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1, \mathcal{H}}$  are easily proved.

- **Case Communication Interrupt:** Assume  $\llbracket A \wedge now = o \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1}$ , and  $\llbracket E \rrbracket_L^{\rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$ . For the first rule, from the hypothesis of the second line, the continuous evolution terminates without any communication occurring. Thus, we have the fact that  $\rho'_1$  and  $\mathcal{H}$  are also the terminating state and the flow of  $\langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& B \rangle$  (except that the ready set of  $\rho$  is larger by including the  $ch_i * s$ ). By induction hypothesis, we obtain  $\llbracket R \wedge o + o_F \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1}$  and  $\llbracket C \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1, \mathcal{H}}$  easily.

For the second case, the SDE is executing from the beginning, and meanwhile, all the  $\{ch_i * s\}$ s become ready and start to wait. At some time, here  $o + o_1$ , some communication occurs with the probability decided by  $w_i$ s. We record the state and the flow till time  $o + o_1$  by  $\rho_m$  and  $\mathcal{H}_m$  respectively. From the semantics of the SDE, we have  $\llbracket (PB \wedge Inv_{sde}) \text{ dr } [o, o + o_1] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_m, \mathcal{H}_m}$ , thus  $\llbracket (PB \wedge Inv_{sde}) \text{ dr } [o, o + o_1] \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1, \mathcal{H}_m}$ . On the other hand, for the ready events  $\{ch_{i_j} * s\}_{1 \leq j \leq n}$ , during the waiting time,  $A[o, s_0/now, s] \wedge PB$  always holds. Thus, similar to the probabilistic choice, we can prove the final facts.

- **Case Parallel Composition  $P \parallel Q$ :** From the operational semantics, there must exist  $\rho_{11}$  and  $\rho'_{11}$ ,  $\rho_{12}$  and  $\rho'_{12}$  for initial states and terminating states of  $P$  and  $Q$  respectively, which satisfy:  $\rho_1 = \rho_{11} \uplus \rho_{12}$  and  $\rho'_1 = \rho'_{11} \uplus \rho'_{12}$ ;  $\rho'_{11}(\cdot)(tr) \upharpoonright_X = \rho'_{12} \upharpoonright_X$  (assuming  $P$  and  $Q$  terminate at the same time here, which will be generalized in the following proof). Assume we have  $\llbracket A \wedge now = 0 \wedge tr = \varepsilon \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1}$ , and  $\llbracket E \rrbracket_L^{\rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$ , we need to prove  $\llbracket R \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1}$  and  $\llbracket C'_1 \wedge C'_2 \rrbracket_L^{\rho'_1, \mathcal{H}}$ . The proof is given by the following steps.

First of all, we prove that  $\llbracket C_1 \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{11}, \mathcal{H}_1}$  and  $\llbracket C_2 \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{12}, \mathcal{H}_2}$ . In the following proof, we always consider a specific sample  $\omega$  when this is not pointed out specially. If the two do not hold, assume  $C_1$  fails to hold not later than  $C_2$ , and the first time for which  $C_1$  does not hold is  $t_1$  (when it exists), then for all  $t < t_1$ ,  $C_2$  holds. There are three kinds of formulas at time  $t_1$  in  $C_1$ : if the formula is for internal variables or internal communication (between  $P$  and  $Q$ ) non-readiness, then it will not depend on  $Q$  or  $E$ , according to the fact that  $C_1$  holds before time  $t_1$ , it must hold at  $t_1$ ; if the formula is for external communication readiness, first from compatibility check, for any channel  $dh \in X_1 \setminus X$ , it does not occur in  $C_2$ , then we have  $E \upharpoonright_{dh} \Rightarrow E_1 \upharpoonright_{dh}$ , where  $E \upharpoonright_{dh}$  extracts formulas related to communications along  $dh$  from  $E$ . Then from  $\llbracket E \rrbracket_L^{\rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$ , we have  $\llbracket E_1 \upharpoonright_{dh} \rrbracket_L^{\rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$ , and thus

$\llbracket E_1 \downarrow_{dh} \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{12} \uplus \rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$ . By induction hypothesis, the formula considered must hold at  $t_1$ ; if the formula is for internal communication readiness, then there must exist an open interval  $(t_0, t_1)$  during which it is not satisfied. From the assumption,  $C_2$  holds in the interval  $(t_0, t_1)$ , thus  $E_1 \downarrow_X$  holds in the interval  $(t_0, t_1)$ . By induction, the internal communication readiness assertions in  $C_1$  hold in the interval  $(t_0, t_1)$ . We thus get a contradiction.

Therefore, we can get the fact that, both  $\llbracket C_1 \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{11}, \mathcal{H}}$  and  $\llbracket C_2 \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{12}, \mathcal{H}}$  hold. On the other hand, if such  $t_1$  does not exist, there must exist an open interval  $(t_2, t_3)$  such that for all  $t \leq t_2$ ,  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  hold, while  $C_1$  does not hold in  $(t_2, t_3)$ . The proof is very similar to the above case. We omit it here for avoiding repetition.

Based on the above facts, from  $\llbracket A_1 \wedge \text{now} = 0 \wedge \text{tr} = \varepsilon \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1, \mathcal{H}}$  and  $\llbracket E \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1, \mathcal{H}}$ , and compatibility check, we have therefore  $\llbracket E_1 \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{11} \uplus \rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$ . Similarly, we can get for another process  $Q$  that  $\llbracket A_2 \wedge \text{now} = 0 \wedge \text{tr} = \varepsilon \rrbracket_L^{\rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$ , and  $\llbracket E_2 \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{11} \uplus \rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$ . Then, by induction on  $P$  and  $Q$ , we have  $\llbracket R_1 \wedge \text{now} = o_1 \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{11}'}$  and  $\llbracket C_1 \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{11}', \mathcal{H}}$ ,  $\llbracket R_2 \wedge \text{now} = o_2 \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{12}'}$  and  $\llbracket C_2 \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{12}', \mathcal{H}}$  respectively.

Notice that  $\rho_{11}' \uplus \rho_{12}'$ , i.e.  $\rho_1'$ , only redefines the values of  $\text{tr}$  and  $\text{now}$ , where the communications are arranged in the order according to their occurring time, and variable  $\text{now}$  takes the greater value between  $\rho_{11}'(\omega)(\text{now})$  and  $\rho_{12}'(\omega)(\text{now})$  for all  $\omega$ . Obviously, we have  $\llbracket R_1[\gamma_1/\text{tr}, o_1/\text{now}] \wedge R_2[\gamma_2/\text{tr}, o_2/\text{now}] \wedge \text{now} = o_m \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}$ . And,  $\llbracket \gamma_1 \downarrow_X = \gamma_2 \downarrow_X \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}$  holds because of synchronization. From the definition of  $\uplus$ ,  $\rho_1'(\text{tr})(t) \in \rho_{11}'(\text{tr})(t) \parallel \rho_{12}'(\text{tr})(t)$ , we can easily get the fact  $\llbracket \text{tr} = (\gamma_1 \parallel \gamma_2) \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}$ . Thus the postcondition of  $P \parallel Q$  holds for the final state.

From  $\llbracket C_1 \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{11}', \mathcal{H}}$  and  $\llbracket C_2 \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{12}', \mathcal{H}}$ , considering that only  $\text{now}$  changes and matters, we have  $\llbracket C_1[o_1/\text{now}] \wedge C_2[o_2/\text{now}] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}$ . After  $P$  or  $Q$  terminates, only  $\text{rdy}$ ,  $\text{tr}$  and  $\text{now}$  may change, plus the fact that  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  do not contain readiness,  $R_1 \Rightarrow R_1'$ ,  $R_2 \Rightarrow R_2'$ , and the assumption that  $R_1'$ ,  $R_2'$  do not contain  $\text{tr}$ , we have  $\llbracket R_1'[o_1/\text{now}] \text{dr } [o_1, \text{now}] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1', \mathcal{H}}$  and  $\llbracket R_2'[o_2/\text{now}] \text{dr } [o_2, \text{now}] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1', \mathcal{H}}$ . Thus the history formula of  $P \parallel Q$  holds for the final flow.

- **Case Repetition  $P^*$ :** From the operational semantics, there must exist a finite integer  $n \geq 0$ , and  $\rho_{11}, \dots, \rho_{1n}$  such that  $P$  executes for  $n$  times iteratively, and  $(P \parallel PE_0, \rho_{10} \uplus \rho_{20}) \rightarrow (\epsilon \parallel PE_1, \rho_{11} \uplus \rho_{21}, \mathcal{H}_1) \dots (P \parallel PE_{n-1}, \rho_{1n-1} \uplus \rho_{2n-1}) \rightarrow (\epsilon \parallel PE_n, \rho_{1n} \uplus \rho_{2n}, \mathcal{H}_n)$  where  $\rho_{10} = \rho_1, \rho_{20} = \rho_2, PE_0 = PE, \rho_{1n} = \rho_1', \rho_{2n} = \rho_2'$  and  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_1 \hat{\sim} \dots \hat{\sim} \mathcal{H}_n$ . Assume  $\llbracket A \wedge \text{now} = o \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1}$  and  $\llbracket E \rrbracket_L^{\rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$ , we need to prove that  $\llbracket A[\mathbf{v}_o/\mathbf{v}] \wedge \text{Inv}_{loop} \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1'}$  and  $\llbracket \text{Inv}_{loop} \text{dr } [o, \text{now}] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1', \mathcal{H}}$ .

If  $n = 0$ , then we have  $\rho_1 = \rho_1'$ . From  $\llbracket A \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1}$  and  $A \Rightarrow \text{Inv}_{loop}$ ,  $\llbracket \text{Inv}_{loop} \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1}$  holds. The fact is proved directly. Suppose the fact holds for the case  $n = k > 1$ , then we prove the case for  $n = k + 1$ . From  $\llbracket A \wedge \text{now} = o \rrbracket_L^{\rho_1}$ ,  $A \Rightarrow \text{Inv}_{loop}$ , and  $\llbracket E \rrbracket_L^{\rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$ , then by induction hypothesis, we have  $\llbracket \text{Inv}_{loop} \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{1k}}$ , and  $\llbracket \text{Inv}_{loop} \text{dr } [o, \text{now}] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{1k}, \mathcal{H}_1 \hat{\sim} \dots \hat{\sim} \mathcal{H}_k}$ . Let  $o_l$  denote the starting time of the  $k + 1$ -th iteration,  $\llbracket \text{now} = o_l \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{1k}}$ . On the other hand, from  $\llbracket E \rrbracket_L^{\rho_2, \mathcal{H}}$ , we have  $\llbracket E[o/\text{now}] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{2k}, \mathcal{H}}$ . By induction hypothesis, the facts  $\llbracket \text{Inv}_{loop} \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{1k+1}}$ , and  $\llbracket \text{Inv}_{loop} \text{dr } [o_l, \text{now}] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{1k+1}, \mathcal{H}_{k+1}}$  hold.  $\llbracket \text{Inv}_{loop} \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{1n}}$ , and  $\llbracket \text{Inv}_{loop} \text{dr } [o, \text{now}] \rrbracket_L^{\rho_{1n}, \mathcal{H}}$  are proved finally.  $\square$

#### 6.4. Discovery of differential invariants for SDE

The most challenging problem for the deductive verification of stochastic hybrid systems is to discover the local differential invariants of SDE. In [PJP07], Prajna et al. extended differential invariant generation approach based on barrier certificates for traditional hybrid systems to stochastic hybrid systems. Their approach requires all expressions occurring in a template of invariant to be a super-martingale w.r.t the considered SDE, and then exploits semi-definite programming to solve the constraints on the parameters in the template. Their approach is very restrictive, as only very few invariants can be synthesized. In [Pla11], Platzer proposes a special form of differential invariants for a SDE under some given conditions, which is represented by the following theorem.

**Theorem 6.2** (Differential Invariant of SDE [Pla11]) *Assume the SDE is  $\langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle$ , where  $PB$  is a boolean formula (that holds almost surely), and the precondition is  $A$ . Let  $\lambda > 0, p \geq 0$  be real values. If  $f(s) \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})$  has compact support on  $PB$ , and if the following conditions hold:*

$$A \rightarrow PB \rightarrow f \leq \lambda p \quad B \rightarrow f \geq 0 \wedge \mathcal{L}f \leq 0$$

where  $\mathcal{L}f$  represents the Lie derivative of  $f$ , then the probabilistic formula  $P(f(s) \geq \lambda) \leq p$  is a differential invariant of the SDE  $\langle ds = bdt + \sigma dW \& PB \rangle$ .

The theorem states that, if the initial state of the SDE satisfies  $f \leq \lambda p$ , and inside the domain  $PB$ ,  $f$  is always non-negative and  $\mathcal{L}f$  is non-positive, then during the whole evolution of the SDE, the probability of  $f(s) \geq \lambda$  is less than or equal to  $p$ . By applying the result, the safety property of the aircraft example can be proved.

**Example 6.1** For the aircraft example, define  $f(x, y)$  as  $|y|$ , assume  $f(x_s, y_0) = |y_0| \leq \lambda p$ , where  $p \in [0, 1]$ . Obviously,  $B \rightarrow (f \geq 0) \wedge (\mathcal{L}f \leq 0)$  holds. By applying the inference rule of SDE and Theorem 6.2, we obtain the following result:

$$\{now = o; \mathbf{True}\} P_{Air} \{(x \leq x_s \vee x \geq x_e) \wedge P(f(s) \geq \lambda) \leq p; (PB \wedge P(f(s) \geq \lambda) \leq p) \text{ dr } [o, now]\}$$

which shows that, the probability of the aircraft entering the dangerous state is always less than or equal to  $p$  during the flight. Thus, to guarantee the safety of the aircraft,  $p$  should be as little as possible. For instance, if the safety factor of the aircraft is required to be 99.98%, then  $p$  should be less than or equal to 0.0002, and in correspondence,  $|y_0| \leq \frac{\lambda}{5000}$  should be satisfied.

However, because of the restrictive conditions, Theorem 6.2 has some limitations for solving SDEs. In our recent work, we present a method for reachability analysis for SDE using the existing partial differential equation (PDE) solvers. The differential invariant problem of SDE is one of our future work.

The global loop invariants for stochastic hybrid systems can be computed according to the traditional approach. In particular, the problem on computing global invariants of hybrid systems has been investigated in [PC08, ZWZ13].

## 7. Conclusion

This paper presents stochastic HCSP (SHCSP) for modelling hybrid systems with probability and stochasticity. SHCSP is expressive by combining interacting discrete, continuous and stochastic dynamics. We have defined the operational semantics of stochastic HCSP based on probabilistic states and related operations, and proved that the semantics is well-defined with respect to stochasticity. We propose an assertion language for specifying time-related and probability-related properties based on (timed) probabilistic formulas, and have proved the assertions are well-defined with respect to stochasticity. For handling SDEs and repetition, we propose the notions of local stochastic differential invariants and global loop invariants. To the end, we define a compositional Hoare Logic for specifying and verifying SHCSP processes, which is able to reason about how the probability of a property changes with respect to the execution of a process. To illustrate our approach, we model and verify a case study on a flight planing problem throughout the paper. Our future work includes the investigation of the local stochastic differential invariant for SDEs, and the application of our framework to more interesting case studies.

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