

Safety Assessment of an Electrical System with AltaRica 3.0

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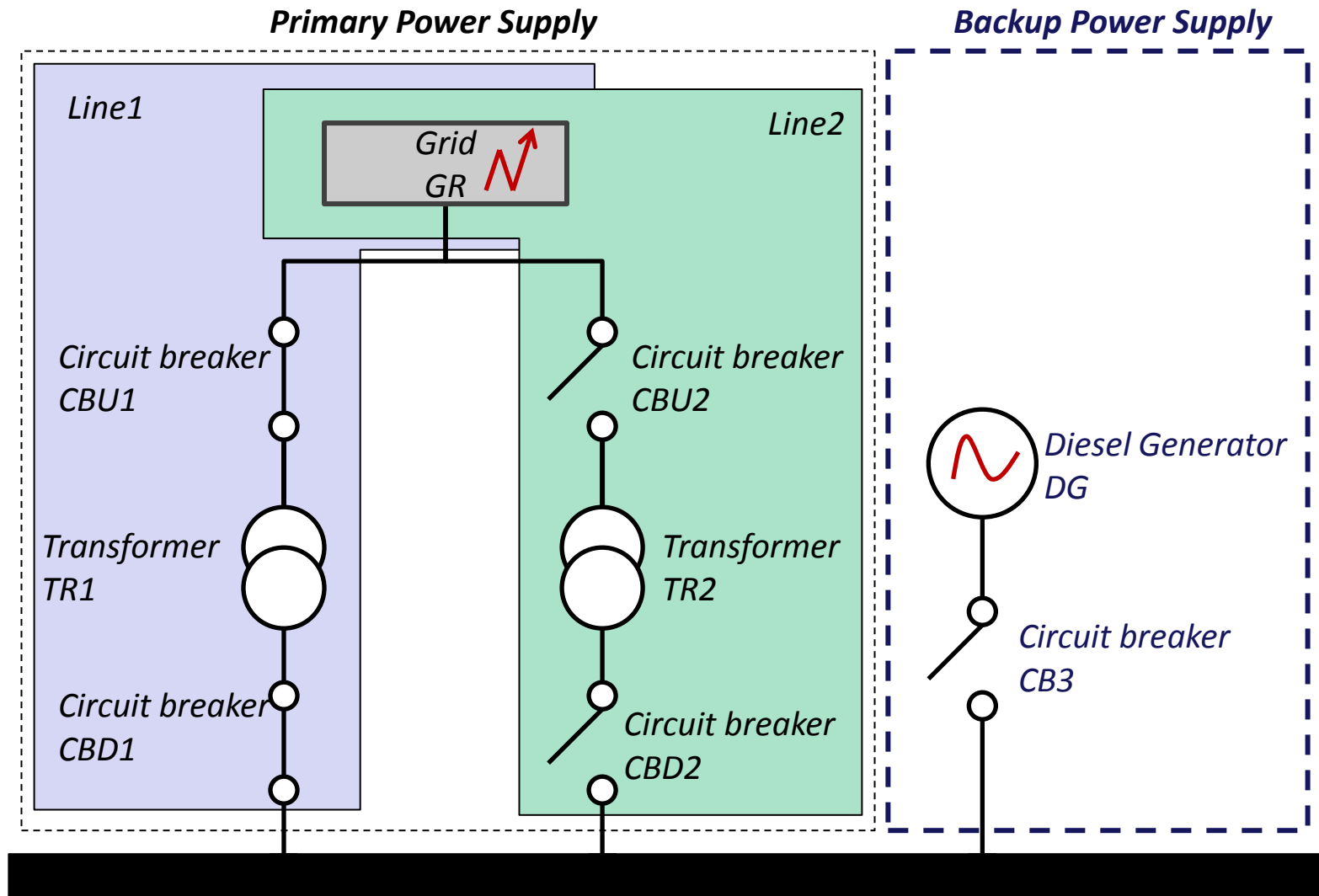
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Blocks

- **Blocks** represent components having a **unique occurrence** in the model
- They are the basic construct to group model elements
- A model is thus a **hierarchy** of nested blocks
- **Blocks** come from **prototype-oriented languages**

```
block BackupPowerSupplySystem
```

```
block DieselGenerator
```



```
block CircuitBreaker
```



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```

```
block DieselGenerator
```

```
// elements of the diesel generator
```

```
end
```

```
block CircuitBreaker
```

```
// elements of the circuit breaker
```

```
end
```

```
/* elements to connect
```

```
the diesel generator and the circuit
```

```
breaker*/
```

```
end
```

- A **class** is a separately defined, reusable (“on-the-shelf”) **block**
- A **block** can aggregate (contain) other **blocks** as well as instances, i.e. copies, of classes
- A **class** can aggregate **blocks** and instances of **classes**
- Definitions of **classes** cannot be recursive nor circular
- **Classes** come from **object-oriented modeling languages**

block BackupPowerSupplySystem

DieselGenerator DG



CircuitBreaker CB3



```
class DieselGenerator
    // elements of the diesel generator
end
class CircuitBreaker
    // elements of the circuit breaker
end
block BackupPowerSupplySystem
    DieselGenerator DG;
    CircuitBreaker CB3;
    /* elements to connect
       the diesel generator DG and the
       circuit breaker CB3*/
end
```

Flattening

- The **semantics** of AltaRica 3.0 is defined by means of **flattening rules**, i.e. that the hierarchy of blocks and instances of classes is collapsed into a single block
- **Flattening rules** depend on the type of hierarchical links:
 - Aggregation
 - Inheritance
 - Reference (“embeds” clause)

Aggregation

- A hierarchical link: the **is-a-part-of** link
 - e.g. the left-front wheel is a part of the car
- In AltaRica 3.0, a **block** or a **class** can **aggregate blocks** and instances of **classes**
- Flattening rules:
 - Elements of the nested block (or the instance of class) are copied;
 - Names of the elements are prefixed with the name of the block (or the instance of class)

```
class DieselGenerator
  Boolean working (init = true);
  event failure;
  transition
    failure : working -> working :=false;
end
block BackupPowerSupplySystem
  DieselGenerator DG;
end
```

flattening

```
block BackupPowerSupplySystem
  Boolean DG.working (init = true);
  event DG.failure;
  transition
    DG.failure : DG.working -> DG.working :=false;
end
```

Inheritance

- A hierarchical link: the **is-a-kind-of** link
 - e.g. a car is a kind of vehicle
- In AltaRica 3.0, a **block** or a **class** can **inherit** from another **class**.
- Flattening rules for **inheritance** are the same as those for **aggregation**, with the exception that the elements of the inherited components are copied without any prefix

```
class NonRepairableComponent
  Boolean working (init = true);
  event failure;
  transition
    failure : working -> working :=false;
end

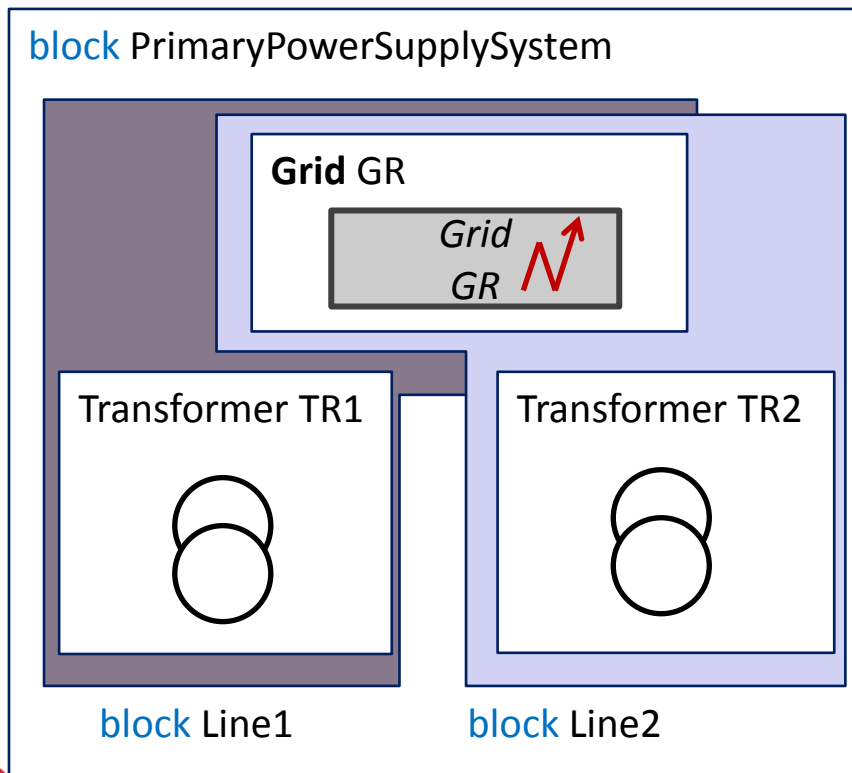
class Pump extends NonRepairableComponent
  Boolean inflow (reset = false);
  Boolean outflow (reset = false);
  assertion
    outflow := inflow and working;
end
```

flattening

```
class Pump
  Boolean working (init = true);
  Boolean inflow (reset = false);
  Boolean outflow (reset = false);
  event failure;
  transition
    failure : working -> working :=false;
  assertion
    outflow := inflow and working;
end
```

Reference: the “embeds” clause

- Hierarchical decompositions are often thought only as tree-like structures. But in practice it is often convenient for two branches to share a component (especially when reasoning in functional terms).
- **AltaRica 3.0** makes it possible to **share blocks and instances of classes** through the “**embeds**” clause.



```

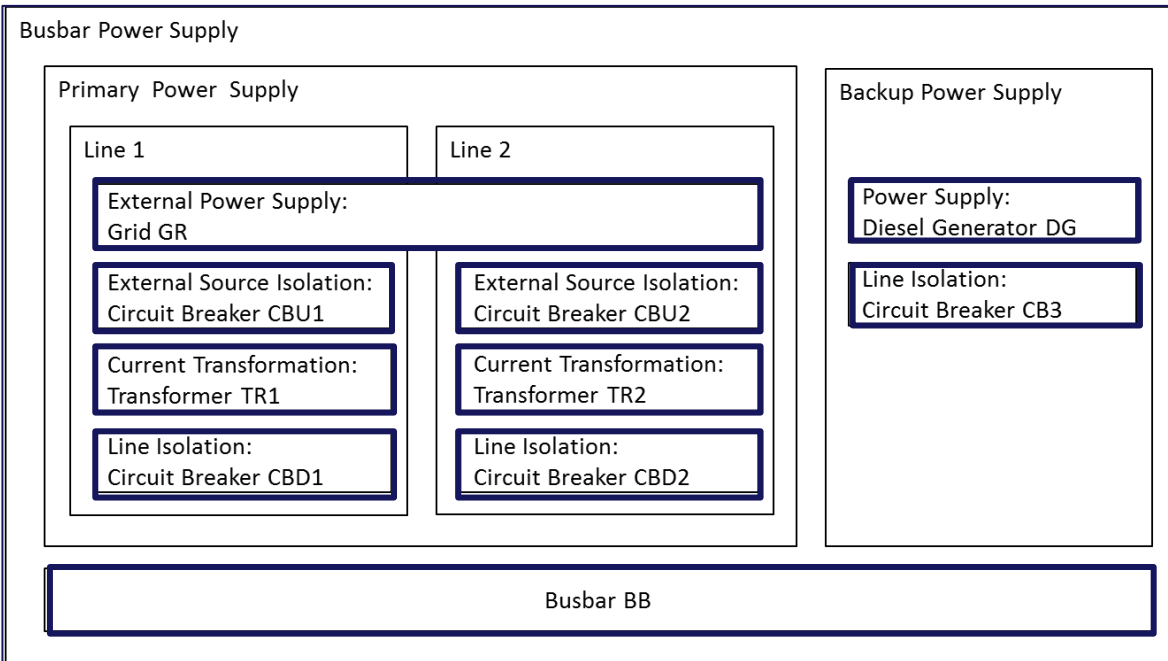
block PrimaryPowerSupplySystem
  Grid GR;

  block Line1
    embeds GR;
    Transformer TR1;
  end

  block Line2
    embeds GR;
    Transformer TR2;
  end
end

```

System architecture



Class instances

Blocks

```

block ElectricalSystem
  block PrimaryPowerSupplySystem
    Grid GR;
  block Line1
    embeds GR;
    CircuitBreaker CBU1, CBD1;
    Transformer TR1;
  end
  block Line2
    embeds GR;
    CircuitBreaker CBU2, CBD2;
    Transformer TR2;
  end
end
block BackupPowerSupplySystem
  DieselGenerator DG;
  CircuitBreaker CB3;
end
Busbar BB;
end
  
```

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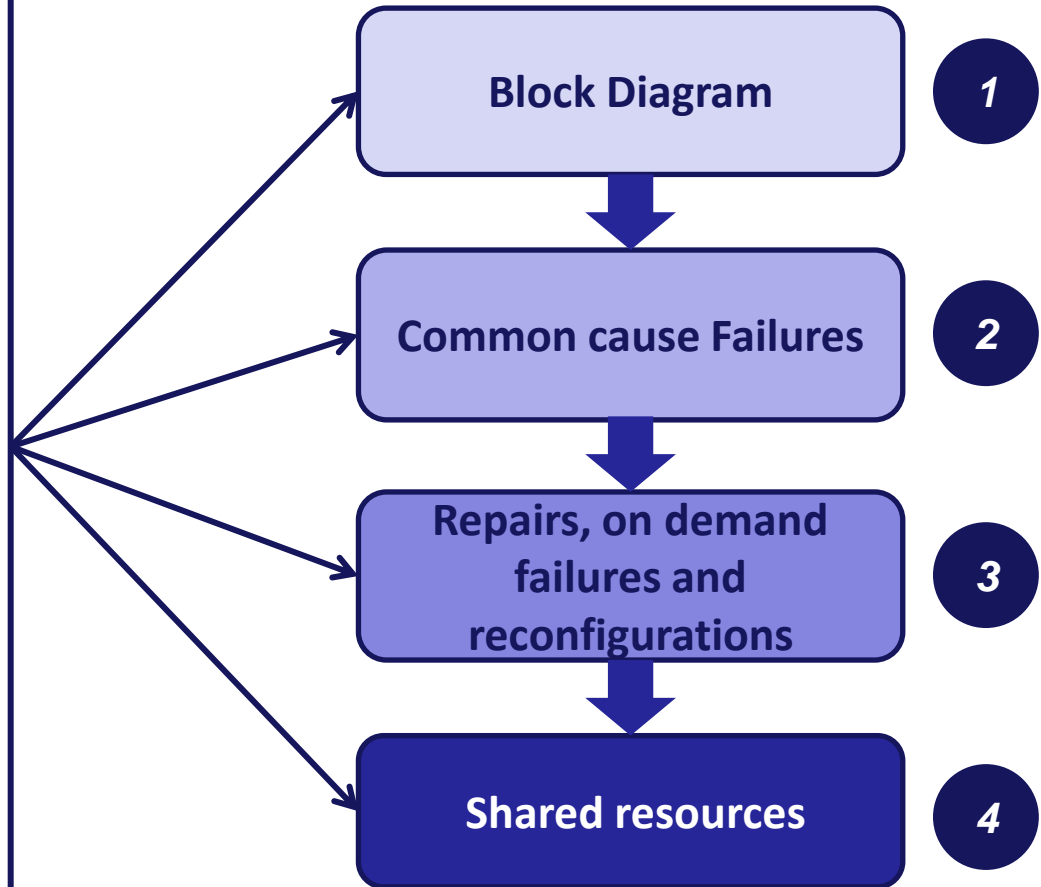
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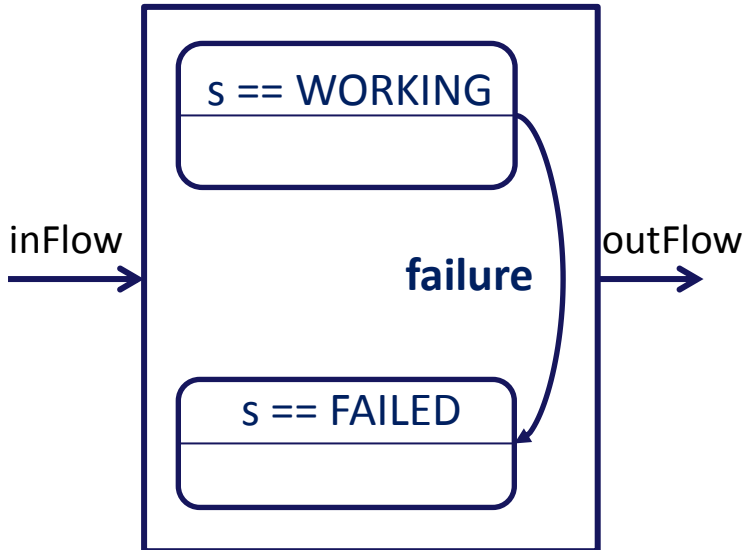
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Behavior modeling

```

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block PrimaryPowerSupplySystem
  Grid GR;
block Line1
  embeds GR;
  CircuitBreaker CBU1, CBD1;
  Transformer TR1;
end
block Line2
  embeds GR;
  CircuitBreaker CBU2, CBD2;
  Transformer TR2;
end
end
block BackupPowerSupplySystem
  DieselGenerator DG;
  CircuitBreaker CB3;
end
  Busbar BB;
end
  
```





*All the components are represented by the class **NonRepairableComponent** with input and output flows*

```
domain ComponentState { WORKING, FAILED }
```

```
class NonRepairableComponent
  ComponentState s (init = WORKING);
  event failure (delay = exponential(lambda));
  parameter Real lambda = 0.001;
  transition
```

```
  failure: s == WORKING -> s := FAILED;
```

```
end
```

```
class Transformer extends NonRepairableComponent;
  Boolean inFlow, outFlow (reset = FALSE);
  assertion
```

```
  outFlow := (s == WORKING) and inFlow;
```

```
end
```

block ElectricalSystem

Boolean outFlow (**reset** = **false**);

block PrimaryPowerSupply

...

block Line1

...

assertion

```
CBU1.inFlow := GR.outFlow;
TR1.inFlow := CBU1.outFlow;
CBD1.inFlow := TR1.outFlow;
```

end

block Line2

... // similar to Line1

end

assertion

```
outFlow := Line1.outFlow or Line2.outFlow;
```

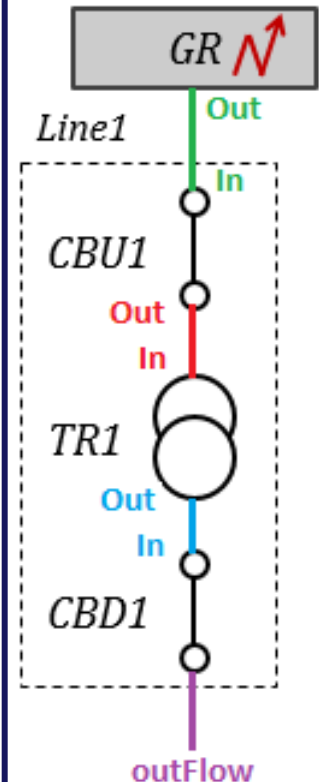
end

...

assertion

```
outFlow := PrimaryPowerSupply.outFlow or BackupPowerSupply.outFlow;
```

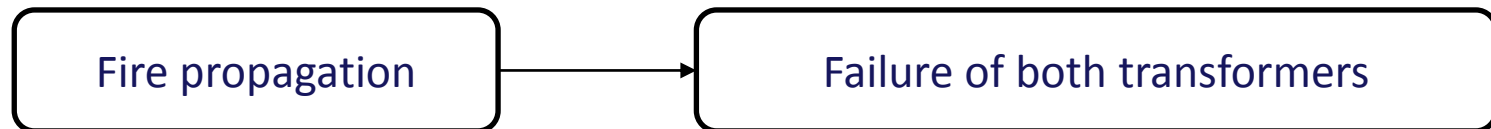
end



- *Static model*
- *Is compiled into **Fault Trees***
- *Calculated Minimal cutsets (MCS):*

MCS	MCS
GR.failure, DG.failure	GR.failure, CB3.failure
CBU1.failure, CBU2.failure, DG.failure	CBU1.failure, CBU2.failure, CB3.failure
CBU1.failure, TR2.failure, DG.failure	CBU1.failure, TR2.failure, CB3.failure
CBU1.failure, CBD2.failure, DG.failure	CBU1.failure, CBD2.failure, CB3.failure
TR1.failure, CBU2.failure, DG.failure	TR1.failure, CBU2.failure, CB3.failure
TR1.failure, TR2.failure, DG.failure	TR1.failure, TR2.failure, CB3.failure
TR1.failure, CBD2.failure, DG.failure	TR1.failure, CBD2.failure, CB3.failure
CBD1.failure, CBU2.failure, DG.failure	CBD1.failure, CBU2.failure, CB3.failure
CBD1.failure, TR2.failure, DG.failure	CBD1.failure, TR2.failure, CB3.failure
CBD1.failure, CBD2.failure, DG.failure	CBD1.failure, CBD2.failure, CB3.failure

- Consider that the two **transformers** have a **common cause failure** due to a fire propagation.
- Assume that the CCF failure rate **$\lambda_{CCF} = 1.0e-5$** .



```
block PowerSupplySystem
  block PrimaryPowerSupplySystem
    Grid GR;
    block Line1
      ...
    end
    block Line2
      ...
    end
    event TransformersCCF (delay = exponential (lambdaCCF));
    parameter Real lambdaCCF = 1.0e-5;
    transition
      TransformersCCF: ?Line1.TR1.failure & ?Line2.TR2.failure;
    ...
  end
  ...
end
```

- *Static model*
- *Is compiled into **Fault Trees***
- *Two additional minimal cutsets:*

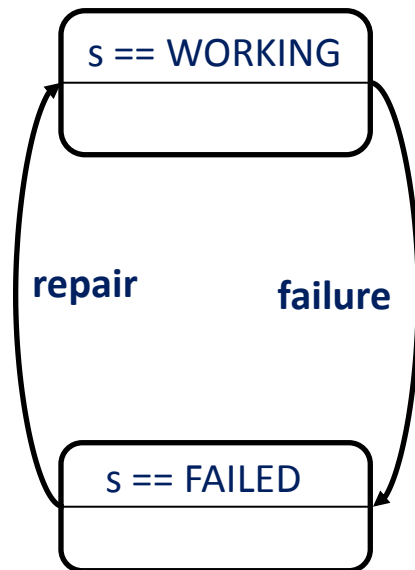
MCS

TransformersCCF, DG.failure

TransformersCCF, CB3.failure

- Consider that
 - The **circuit breakers** can be open, closed and can have **on demand failures** (failure to open or failure to close) with a given probability **$\gamma = 10^{-3}$** .
 - The **diesel generator** can be started or stopped and can have **on demand failure** (failure to start).
 - In the **initial state** the power is transmitted to the Busbar via the Line 1, i.e. the **circuit breakers** CBU1 and CBD1 are closed, the **circuit breakers** CBU2 and CBD2 are open, the **diesel generator** DG is stopped, the **circuit breaker** CB3 is open.
 - If the Line 1 fails, the system should be **reconfigured** to use the Line 2 (i.e. the **circuit breakers** CBU2 and CBD2 should be closed). If both lines are failed, the **diesel generator** DG is attempted to start and the **circuit breaker** CB3 is attempted to close.

How to model a repairable component?



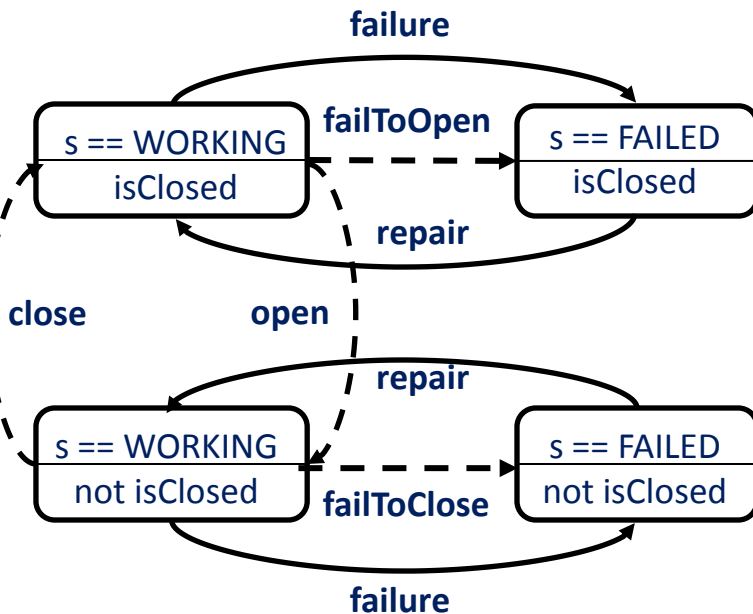
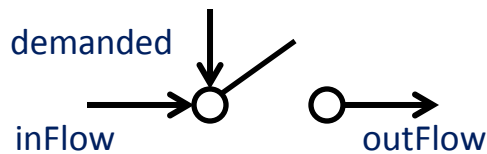
The grid GR and the transformers TR1 and TR2 are repairable components

```

class RepairableComponent
  extends NonRepairableComponent;
  Boolean failed (reset = false);
  event repair (delay = exponential(mu));
  parameter Real mu = 0.1;
  transition
    repair: s == FAILED -> s := WORKING;
  assertion
    failed := s == WORKING;
end

class Grid extends RepairableComponent;
  Boolean outFlow (reset = false);
  assertion
    outFlow := s==WORKING;
end
  
```

How to model a circuit breaker?



```
class CircuitBreaker extends RepairableComponent;
Boolean isClosed (init = true);
Boolean demanded (reset = false);
event failToOpen (delay = 0, expectation = gamma1);
event failToClose (delay = 0, expectation = gamma2);
event open (delay = 0, expectation = 1 - gamma1);
event close (delay = 0, expectation = 1 - gamma2);
parameter Real gamma1 = 0.001;
parameter Real gamma2 = 0.001;
```

transition

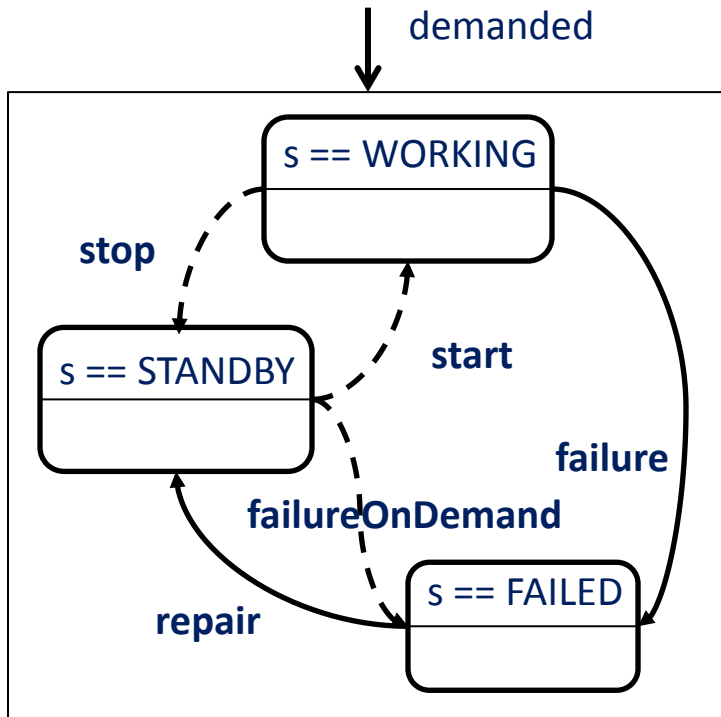
```
failToOpen: isClosed and (s == WORKING) and not demanded->
    s := FAILED;
open: isClosed and (s == WORKING) and not demanded->
    isClosed := false;
failToClose: not isClosed and (s == WORKING) and demanded->
    s := FAILED;
close: not isClosed and (s == WORKING) and demanded->
    isClosed := true;
```

assertion

```
outFlow := isClosed and s == WORKING and inFlow;
```

end

How to model a spare component?

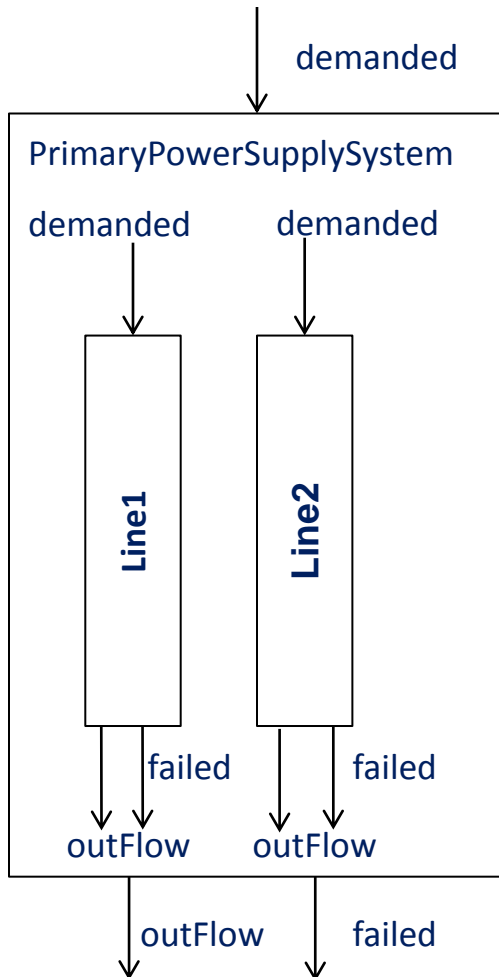


The diesel generator DG is represented by a spare component

```

domain SpareComponentState {STANDBY, WORKING, FAILED}
class SpareComponent;
SpareComponentState s (init = STANDBY);
Boolean failed (reset = false);
Boolean demanded (reset = FALSE);
parameter Real lambda = 1.0e-4;
parameter Real mu = 0.1;
parameter Real gamma = 0.001;
event failure (delay = exponential(lambda));
event repair (delay = exponential(mu));
event stop (delay = 0);
event start (delay = 0, expectation = 1-gamma);
event failureOnDemand (delay = 0, expectation = gamma);
event repair (delay = exponential(mu));
transition
stop: s == WORKING and not demanded -> s := STANDBY;
start: s == STANDBY and demanded -> s := WORKING;
failureOnDemand: s == STANDBY and demanded ->
s := FAILED;
repair: s == FAILED -> s := STANDBY;
failure: s == WORKING -> s := FAILED;
assertion
failed := s == FAILED.
end
    
```

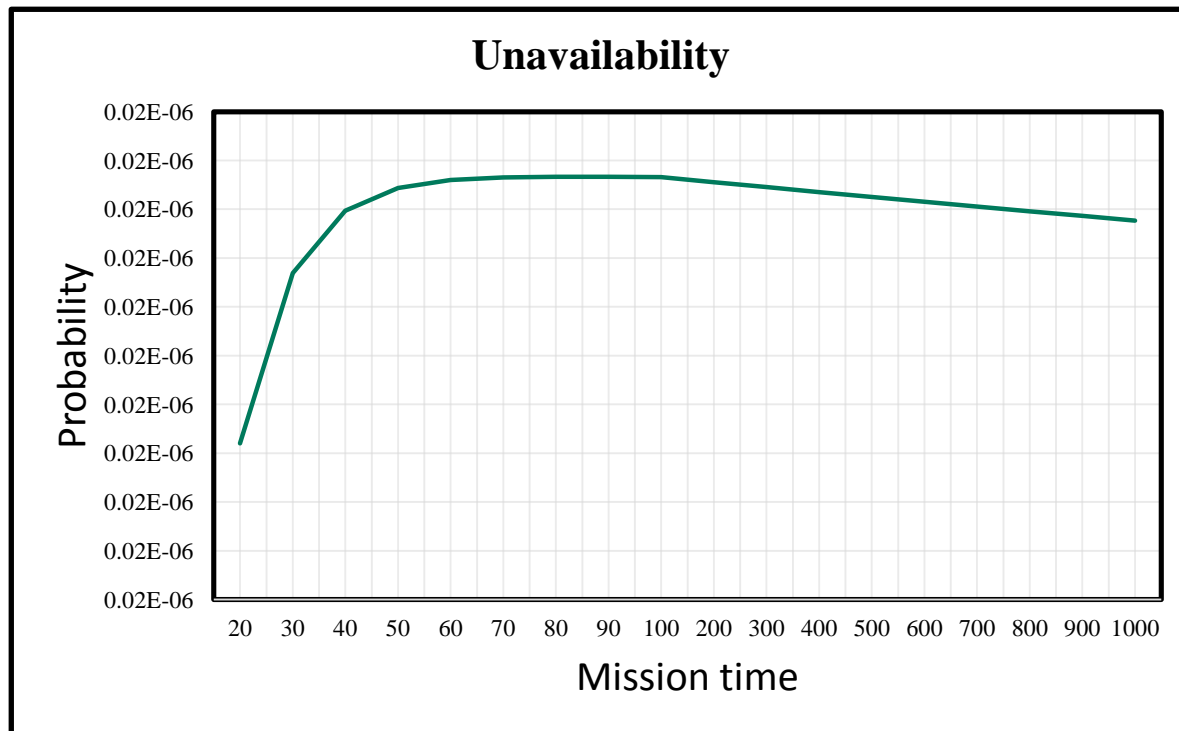

How to represent reconfigurations?



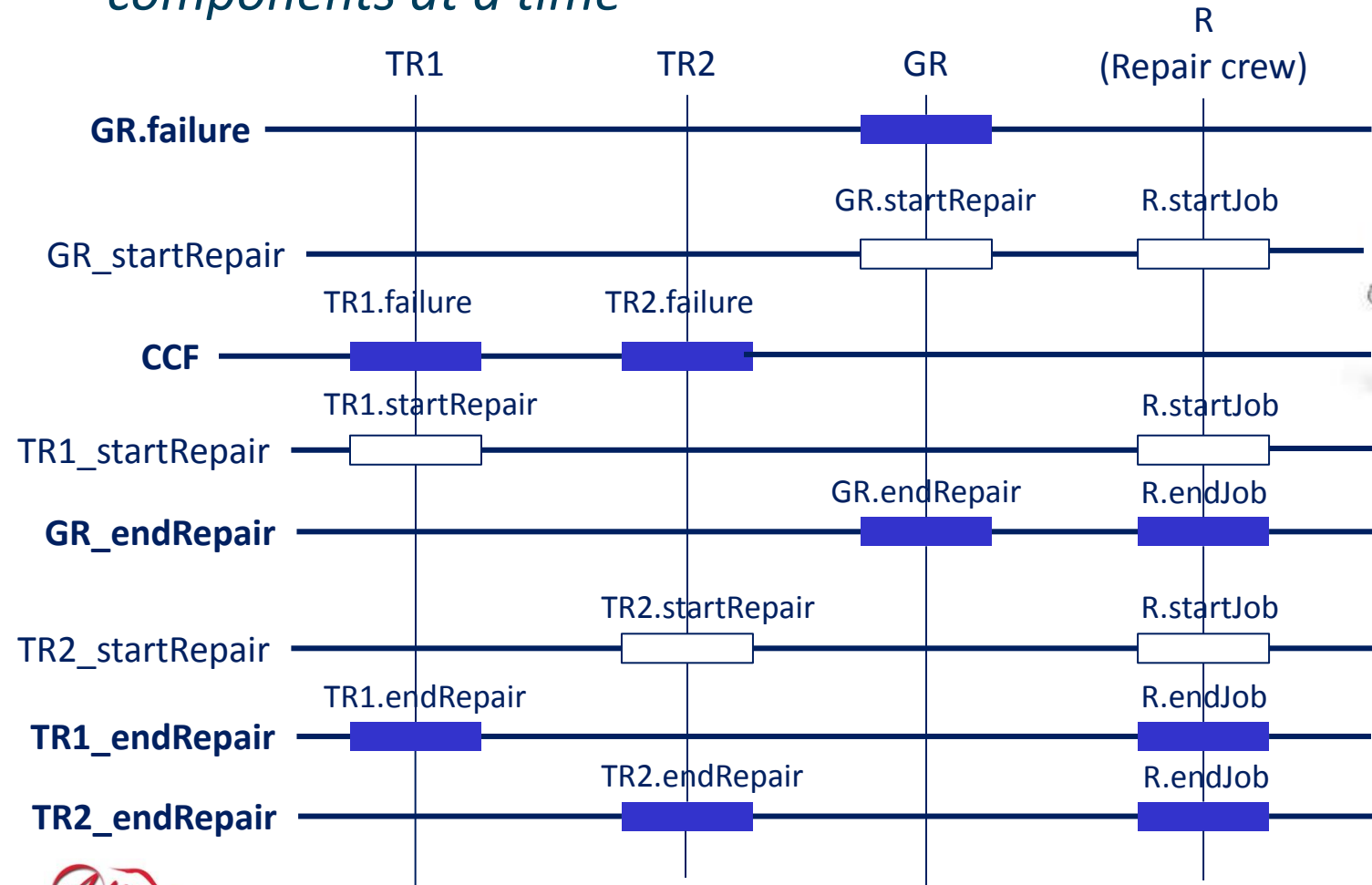
```

block PrimaryPowerSupplySystem
  block PrimaryPowerSupplySystem
    Boolean failed, demanded (reset = false);
    Grid GR;
  block Line1
    Boolean failed, demanded (reset = false);
    ...
  assertion
    CBU1.demanded := demanded;
    CBD1.demanded := demanded;
    failed := GR.failed or CBU1.failed or TR1.failed or CBD1.failed;
  end
  ...
  assertion
    Line1.demanded := not Line1.failed and not Line2.outFlow;
    Line2.demanded := not Line2.failed and not Line1.outFlow;
  ...
end
  
```

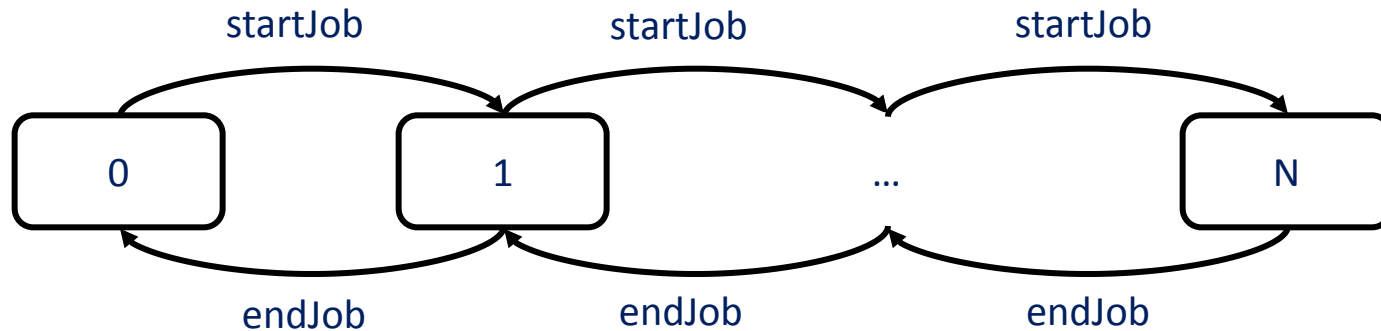
- *Dynamic model*
- *Is compiled into **Markov chains***
- *Assessment of the generated Markov chain: unavailability calculation*



Consider that a limited repair crew can work on at most two components at a time



How to model a repair crew?



class RepairCrew

Integer numberOfBusyRepairers (**init** = 0);

parameter Integer totalNumberOfRepairers = 2;

event startJob, endJob;

transition

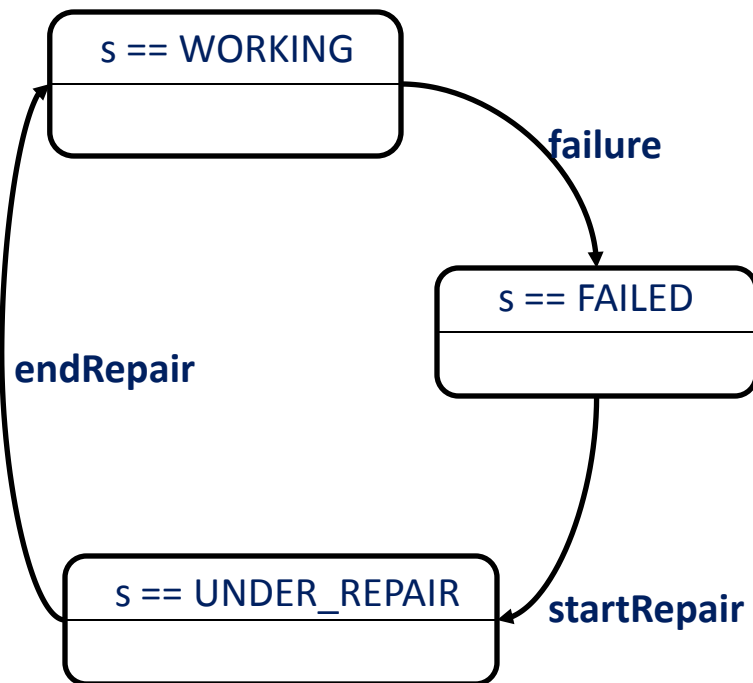
startJob: numberOfBusyRepairers < totalNumberOfRepairers ->

 numberOfBusyRepairers := numberOfBusyRepairers + 1;

endJob: numberOfBusyRepairers > 0 -> numberOfBusyRepairers := numberOfBusyRepairers - 1;

end

How to model a repairable component?



```

domain RepairableComponentState {WORKING, FAILED,
UNDER_REPAIR}
  
```

```

class RepairableComponent
  RepairableComponentState s (init = WORKING);
  Boolean failed (reset = false);
  event failure (delay = exponential(lambda));
  
```

```

event startRepair;
event endRepair (delay = exponential(mu));
  
```

```

parameter Real mu = 0.;
parameter Real lambda = 1.0 e-4;
  
```

```

transition
  
```

```

  failure: s == WORKING -> s := FAILED;
  
```

```

  startRepair: s == FAILED -> s := UNDER_REPAIR ;
  endRepair: s == UNDER_REPAIR -> s := WORKING;
  
```

```

assertion
  
```

```

  failed := s == FAILED or s == UNDER_REPAIR;
  
```

```

end
  
```

How to synchronize events?

```
block PowerSupplySystem
```

```
  block PrimaryPowerSupplySystem
```

```
  ...
```

```
  end
```

```
  block BackupPowerSupplySystem
```

```
  ...
```

```
  end
```

```
  ...
```

```
  RepairCrew R(totalNumberOfRepairers = 2);
```

```
  event GR_startRepair;
```

```
  event GR_endRepair;
```

```
  ...
```

```
  transition
```

```
    GR_startRepair: !R.startJob & !PrimaryPowerSupplySystem.GR.startRepair;
```

```
    GR_endRepair: !R.endJob & !PrimaryPowerSupplySystem.GR.endRepair;
```

```
    hide R.startJob, R.endJob;
```

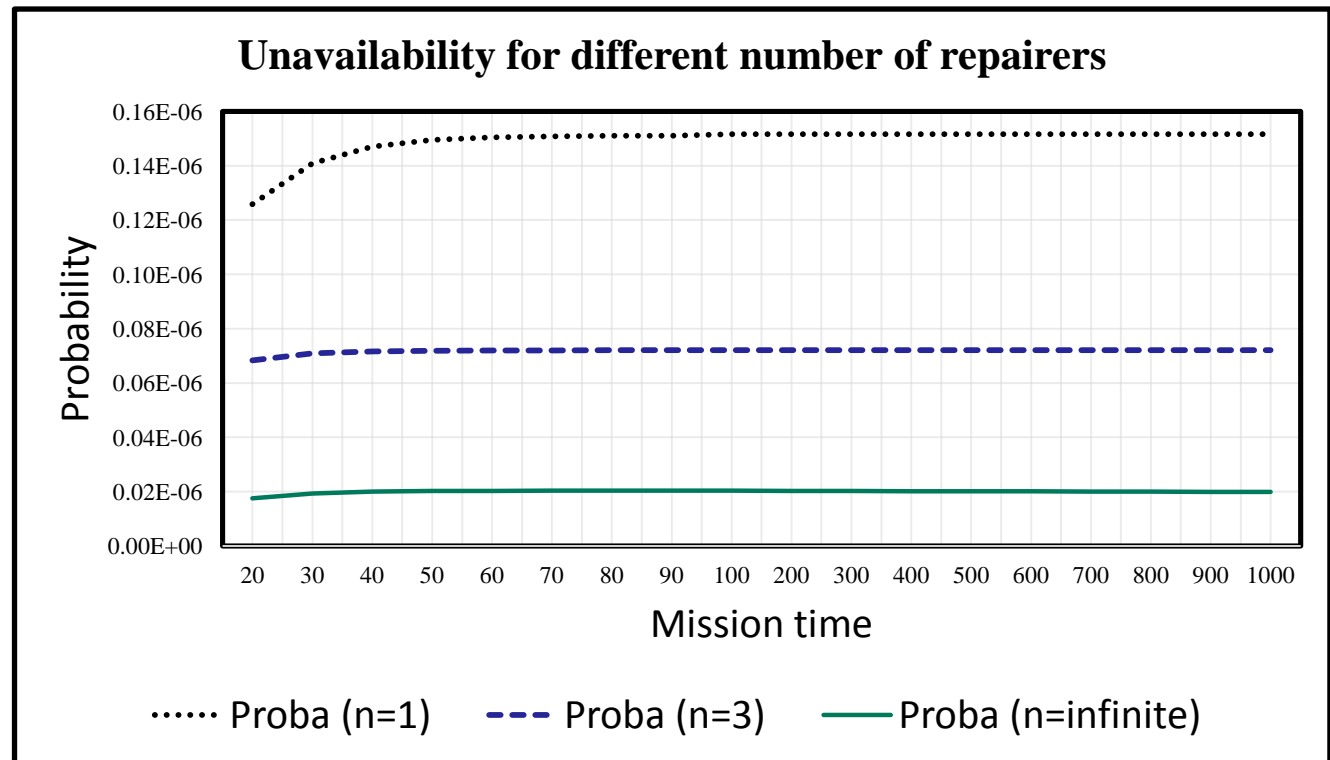
```
    hide PrimaryPowerSupplySystem.GR.startRepair, PrimaryPowerSupplySystem.GR.endRepair;
```

```
    ...
```

```
end
```

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λ	10^{-4}
γ	10^{-3}
μ	10^{-1}



Conclusion

- **Different variants** of models of the case study have been defined
 - The first series targeting a compilation into Fault Trees
 - The second series targeting a compilation into Markov chains
- Each of these variants captures a particular aspect of the system under study
- A model is always a **trade-off** between the accuracy of the description and the ability to perform calculations
- **Refining a model** in successive variants is a good way to seek a good trade-off
- The approach made of successive derivation of variants is a solid ground to build a modeling methodology