

# Modeling of Sensor Networks Using XRM

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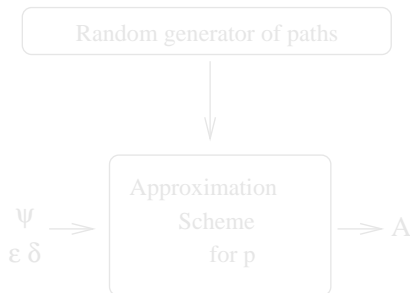
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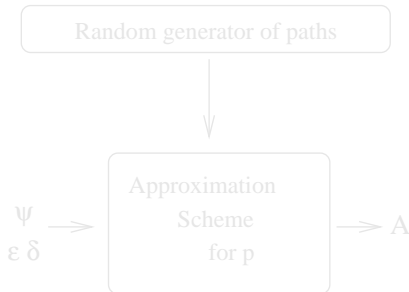
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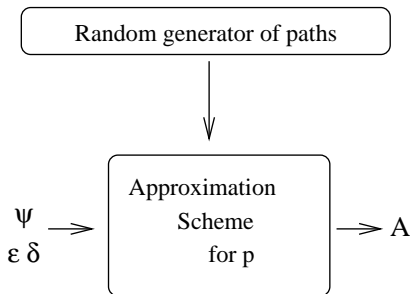
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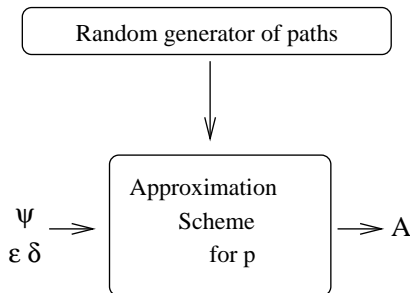
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  [] !x1=x5 -> (x1'=x5);
endmodule
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## Module renaming

```
module process1
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// Add further processes through renaming.
module process2 = process1 [x1=x2, x5=x1] endmodule
module process3 = process1 [x1=x3, x5=x2] endmodule
module process4 = process1 [x1=x4, x5=x3] endmodule
module process5 = process1 [x1=x5, x5=x4] endmodule
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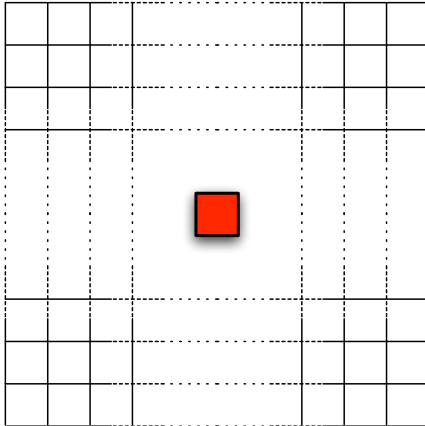


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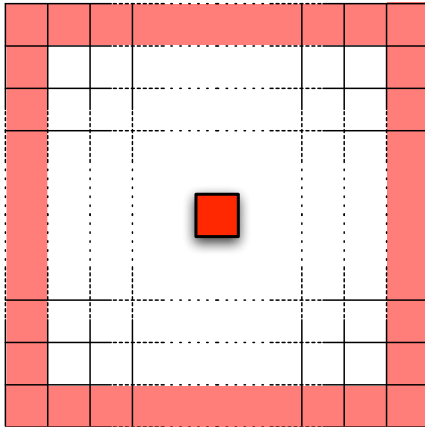
# Sensor networks



The sensor in the middle  
broadcasts the alert.  
Its code must be  
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The neighborhoods on the edges are different. Their code for sensing alerts is **different**.



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# Meta-For loops (1/2)

**Meta-for loops** help describing large systems.

## Writing sensor networks with XRM

```
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for x from 0 to width - 1 do
  for y from 0 to height - 1 do
    module sensor[x][y]
      status[x][y] : [0..MAX_STATE] init SENSE;
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## Meta-For loops (2/2)

Meta foreach loops.

### Shell-like meta-for loop

```
module xrm
  x : [0..1]   init 0;
  y : [0..10]  init 0;
  z : [0..1]   init 0;
  for i in x, 1+2, y do
    [] y=i -> y' = y+1;
  end
end module
```



# Meta-If statements

## Conditional definition of a module

```
// Event location.  
const int event_x = 5, event_y = 5;  
  
for x from 0 to width - 1 do  
  for y from 0 to height - 1 do  
    module sensor[x][y]  
      if x = event_x & y = event_y then  
        // Broadcasting  
      else  
        // Listening  
      end  
    end module  
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```

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# Builtins

## Random values

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```
module sample
  x : [0..51] init 0;
  [] true -> x' = static_rand(42);
  [] true -> x' = rand(42);
end module
```



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### Generated code

```

module sample
  x : [0..51] init 0;
  [] true -> x'=<random value>;
  [] true -> x'=__rand_0;
endmodule
module __rand_0
  __rand_0 : [0..42];
  [] true -> 1/43:(__rand_0'=0) + 1/43:(__rand_0'=1) +
            1/43:(__rand_0'=2) + ...
            ... + 1/43:(__rand_0'=42);
endmodule
    
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# Formulas

## Extentions

### Parametric Formulas

```
formula consume (int value) =  
  battery ' = battery < value ? 0 : battery - value ;
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# eXtended PCTL

**PCTL** Probabilistic Computational Tree Logic.  
Properties specifications.

**XPCTL** = PCTL + XRM extensions.

- Meta-code
- Arrays
- Parameterized formulas
- Possibly embedded in the XRM sources



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# Basic formulas

## Earing the neighbors

// Whether (x, y) are valid sensor coordinates.

```
formula valid (int x, int y) =
    0 <= x & x < X & 0 <= y & y < Y;
```

// Whether (x, y) is valid, and broadcasting.

```
formula broadcasts (int x, int y) =
    valid (x, y) & s[x][y] = BROADCASTS;
```

// Whether a neighbor of (x, y) is broadcasting.

```
formula ears (int x, int y) =
    broadcasts (x - 1, y) | broadcasts (x + 1, y)
    | broadcasts (x, y - 1) | broadcasts (x, y + 1);
```



# Basic formulas

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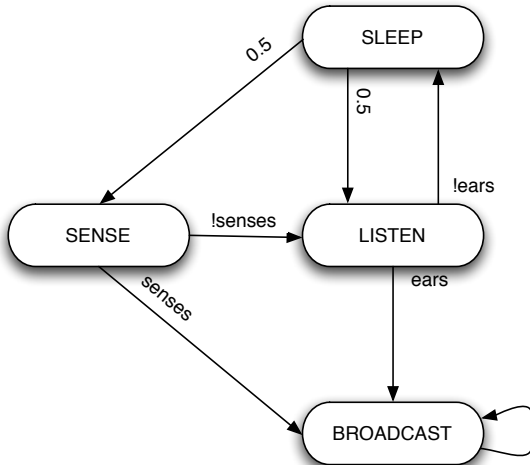
```
// Consume c units of power.
formula consume (int x, int y, int c) =
    b[x][y]' = b[x][y] < c ? 0 : b[x][y] - c;

// Reach state st if energy allows it.
formula set_state (int x, int y, int st) =
    s[x][y]' = (0 <= b[x][y]) ? st : OFF;

// Transition to the next state st.
formula transition (int x, int y, int st) =
    t' = t+1
    & consume(x, y, cost (s[x][y]))
    & set_state(x, y, st);
```



# Node behavior



# Node implementation

## Embedded in two for loops

```
module sensor[x][y]
```

```
s[x][y] : [0..4] init SENSE;
```

```
b[x][y] : [0..POWER] init static_rand (0, POWER);
```

```
[] s[x][y] = SEN
```

```
  -> 1: transition(x, y, senses(x, y) ? BRO : LIS);
```

```
[] s[x][y] = LIS
```

```
  -> 1: transition(x, y, ears(x, y) ? BRO : SLE);
```

```
[] s[x][y] = SLE
```

```
  -> 0.5: transition(x, y, SEN)  

  + 0.5: transition(x, y, LIS);
```

```
[] s[x][y] = BRO
```

```
  -> 1: transition(x, y, BRO);
```

```
end
```



# Properties

## Embedded Properties

They share all the formulas and constants etc.

```
properties  
  for T from 0 to T_max step 100 do  
    // Alarm triggered before instant T?  
    P =? [ true U ( t <= T & boundary_broadcasts ) ];  
  end  
end
```



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# Conclusion

- A quite complete and reliable way to model large systems
- Benefits from APMC's ability to handle large systems
- Passes 93% of the 616 tests of its test suite



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