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Validation and generation of geographical data using a domain theory

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An industrial experience

- This talk will illustrate how domain theories are used in Industrilogik's work in formal specification and verification of railway systems.
- Specification, simulation, modelling and verification (refinement proof) is supported by the GTO toolset.
- The GTO language is predicate logic with finite domains and limited temporalities (previous-moment operator). Independent SAT solvers are used for proving.



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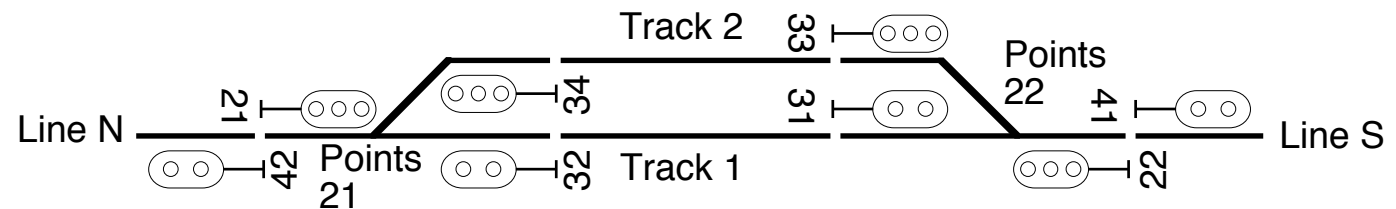
Geographical data

- Railway interlockings are systems governed by general rules. On an abstract level different installations perform the same functions.
- Formal req's specs can be written in a generic manner and instantiated using *geographical data*. Example: Industrilogik's specifications of Swedish and Norwegian signalling.
- Interlocking software can be written as generic modules which are combined and parameterised using geographical data. Examples: Ebilock (Bombardier), Alister (Vossloh/Banverket)

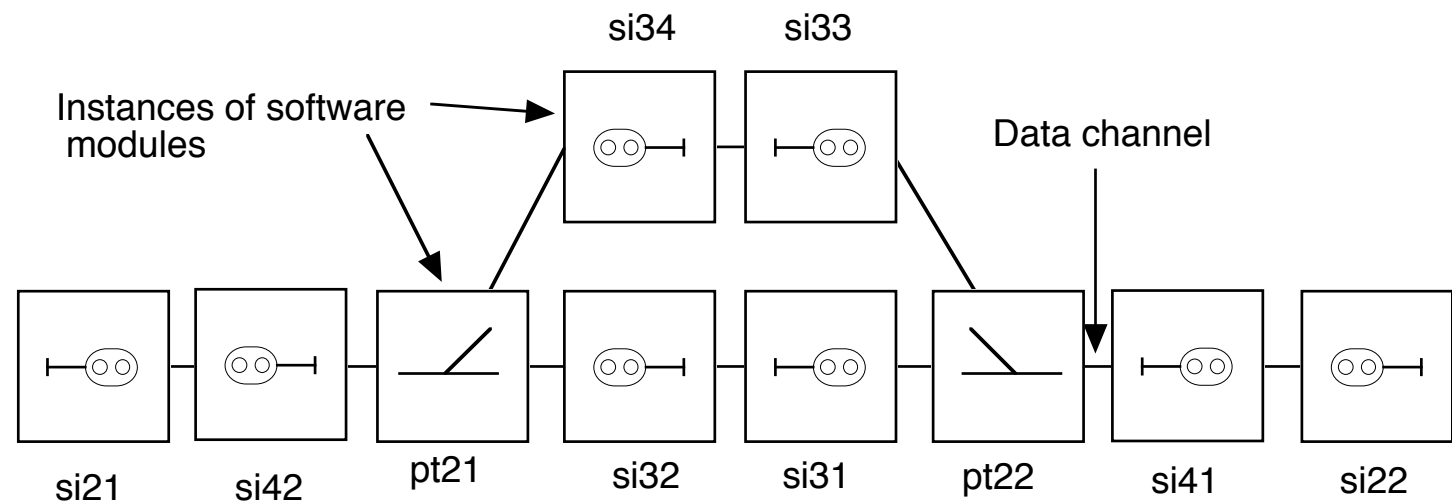
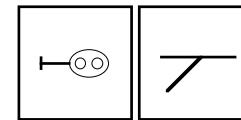


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Ebilock software structure (Bombardier transportation)



- Software modules:

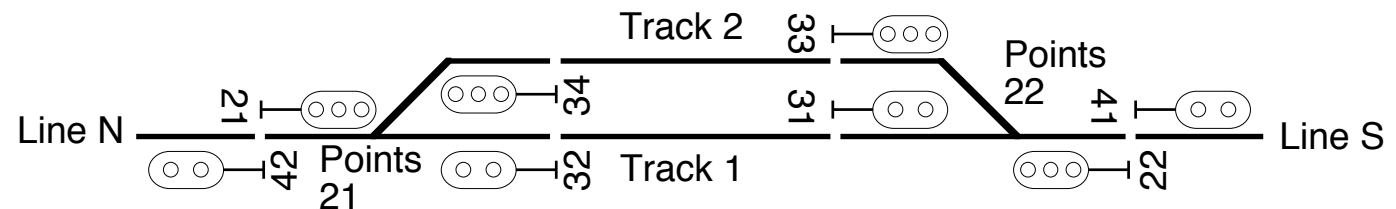




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Primary geographical data

- Primary geographical data relates directly to concrete properties of the installation.



- Units: ln , $pt21$, $pt22$, $t1$, $t2$, $pt22$, ls
- Signals: $si21, si22, si31, si32, si33, si34, si41, si42$
- Relational data:

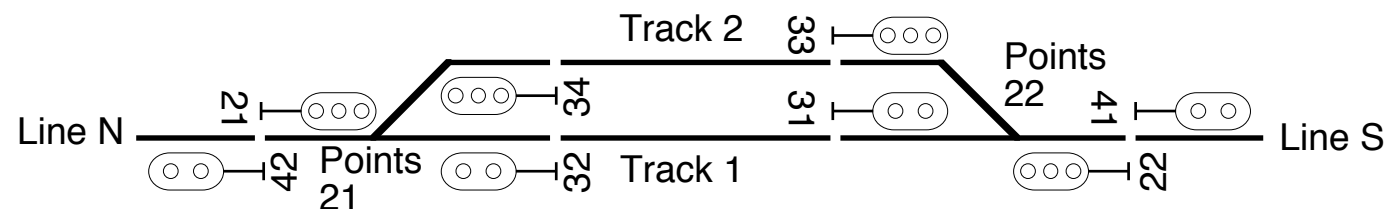
$connectsTo(pt21, ln),$	$connectsTo(ln, pt21),$
$connectsTo(pt21, t1),$	$connectsTo(t1, pt21),$
$connectsTo(pt21, t2),$	$connectsTo(t2, pt21),$
$leftBranch(pt21, t2),$	$rightBranch(pt21, t1), \dots$
$ahead(si21, SL1n),$	$inRear(si21, pt21), \dots$



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Secondary geographical data

- Secondary geographical data describe abstract properties wholly or in part determined by primary geographical data.



- Routes:** `rt2131`, `rt2133`, `rt2232`, `rt2234`,
`rt3141`, `rt3242`, `rt3341`, `rt3442`
- Relational data:** `conflict(rt2131,rt3242),.....`
`entry(si21,rt2131)`, `exit(si31,rt2131)`,
`before(rt2131,ln)`, `first(rt2131,pt21)`,
`partOf(rt2131,pt21)`, `partOf(rt2131,t1),.....`

(Routes are properly sets of units, but the GTO tool is first order...)



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Formal req's specification (part)

- $\forall pt \in \text{UNIT} \quad (\exists rt \in \text{ROUTE} \quad (\text{routelocked}(rt) \wedge \text{partOf}(pt, rt)) \wedge \text{points}(pt) \rightarrow \text{pointslocked}(pt))$
- $\forall rt \in \text{ROUTE} \quad (\text{ready}(rt) \rightarrow \neg \exists rt1 \in \text{ROUTE} \quad (\text{conflict}(rt) \wedge \text{routelocked}(rt1)))$
- $\forall si \in \text{SIGNAL} \quad (\text{proceed}(si) \rightarrow \exists rt \in \text{ROUTE} \quad (\text{entry}(si, rt) \wedge \text{ready}(rt)))$
- $\text{routelocked}(rt)$: rt is a locked route
- $\text{pointslocked}(pt)$: pt are locked for reversals
- $\text{ready}(rt)$: Trains may enter rt
- $\text{proceed}(si)$: si displays a proceed aspect



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Validation of geographical data

- Correct function of specification/interlocking depends on correctness of geographical data.
- Primary geographical data can be checked for internal consistency.
- Secondary geographical data can be verified against the primary geographical data.
- Verification uses a domain theory for railways.
- The geo. data determines a finite interpretation of the logical language so verification amounts to computing truth values.



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Domain theory (part)

- $\forall u1, u2 \in \text{UNITS} (\text{connectTo}(u1, u2) \rightarrow \text{connectsTo}(u2, u1))$
- $\forall u \in \text{UNITS} \neg \text{connectTo}(u, u)$
- $\forall w, u \in \text{UNITS} (\text{points}(w) \wedge \text{rightBranch}(u, w) \rightarrow \text{connectsTo}(u, w))$
- $\forall w \in \text{UNITS} (\text{points}(w) \rightarrow \exists u1, u2, u3 \in \text{UNITS} (\text{connectsTo}(w, u1) \wedge \text{connectsTo}(w, u2) \wedge \text{connectsTo}(w, u3) \wedge u1 \neq u2 \wedge u1 \neq u3 \wedge u2 \neq u3 \wedge \forall u4 \in \text{UNITS} (\text{connectsTo}(w, u4) \rightarrow u1 = u4 \vee u2 = u4 \vee u3 = u4)))$
- $\forall s \in \text{SIGNALS} \exists u \in \text{UNITS} (\text{ahead}(s, u) \wedge \forall u1 \in \text{UNITS} (\text{ahead}(s, u1) \rightarrow u = u1))$



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Consistency validation

- Suppose `connectsTo(pt21, t1)` is included in the data but `connectsTo(t1, pt21)` is not.
- Sample GTO session:

```
Welcome to the GTO Formal Tool 0.5.26
> load sampleGeodata1
> listinv domain_1
ALL u1:UNIT ALL u2:UNIT
(connectsTo(u1,u2)->connectsTo(u2,u1))
> evf domain_1
FALSE
> why
Formula is FALSE because
  ~connectsTo(t1,pt21)
```



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Domain theory (more)

- $\forall r \in \text{ROUTES} \exists u \in \text{UNITS} (\text{before}(r, u) \wedge \forall u1 \in \text{UNITS} (\text{before}(r, u1) \rightarrow u = u1))$
- $\forall r \in \text{ROUTES} \forall u \in \text{UNITS} (\text{before}(r, u) \rightarrow \neg \text{partOf}(r, u) \wedge \exists u1 \in \text{UNITS} (\text{partOf}(r, u1) \wedge \text{connectsTo}(u, u1)))$
- $\text{first}(r, u) \equiv \text{partOf}(r, u) \wedge \forall u1 \in \text{UNITS} (\text{before}(r, u1) \rightarrow \text{connectsTo}(u, u1))$
- $\forall r \in \text{ROUTES} \exists s \in \text{SIGNALS} (\forall u \in \text{UNITS} (\text{ahead}(s, u) \rightarrow \text{before}(r, u)) \wedge \forall u \in \text{UNITS} (\text{inRear}(s, u) \rightarrow \text{first}(r, u)))$
- $\forall r1, r2 \in \text{ROUTES} (\text{conflict}(r1, r2) \Leftrightarrow r1 \neq r2 \wedge \exists u \in \text{UNITS} (\text{partOf}(u, r1) \wedge \text{partOf}(u, r2)))$



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Generating secondary geo. data

- Some axioms can be made into definitions and computed

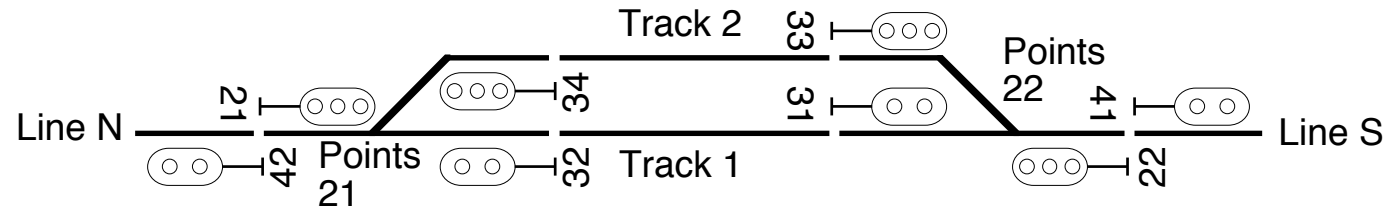
$$\begin{aligned} \text{conflict}(r1, r2) \equiv \\ r1 \neq r2 \wedge \exists u \in \text{UNITS} \\ (\text{partOf}(u, r1) \wedge \text{partOf}(u, r2)) \end{aligned}$$

- A SAT solver can be used to find assignments to predicates (given assignment to primary preds).
- In the particular case of train routes where the number of routes is not known in advance, a single route identifier can be used and successive SAT solutions will generate all routes.



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Data generation



Welcome to the GTO Formal Tool 0.5.26

```
> load sampleGeodata2
```

```
> listdef conflict
```

```
conflict(r1,r2) == r1<>r2&SOME u:UNIT  
(partOf(u,r1)&partOf(u,r2))
```

```
> list conflict
```

```
conflict(rt2131,rt2133)
```

```
conflict(rt2131,rt2232)
```

```
conflict(rt2131,rt2234)
```

```
conflict(rt2131,rt3242)
```

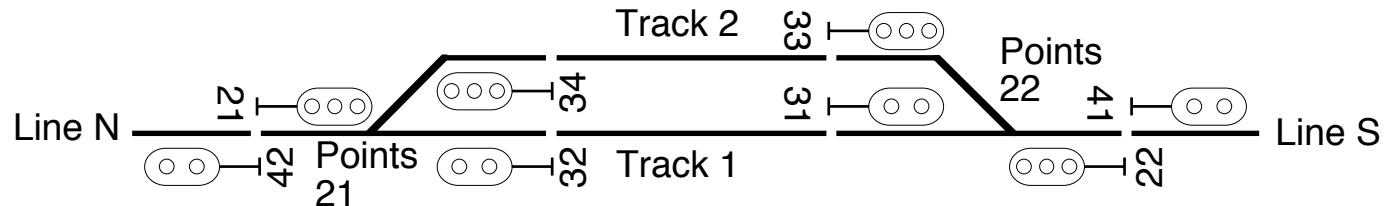
```
conflict(rt2131,rt3442)
```

```
conflict(rt2232,rt2234).....
```



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Train route generation



- A single train route identifier (`route`) is used. No data for secondary predicates.

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```
> load sampleGeodata3
```

```
> satisfy TRUE
```

The formula is satisfiable. Time: 0.26

```
> list partOf entry exit
```

```
partOf(route,pt21)
```

```
partOf(route,t1)
```

```
entry(si21,route)
```

```
exit(si31,route)
```



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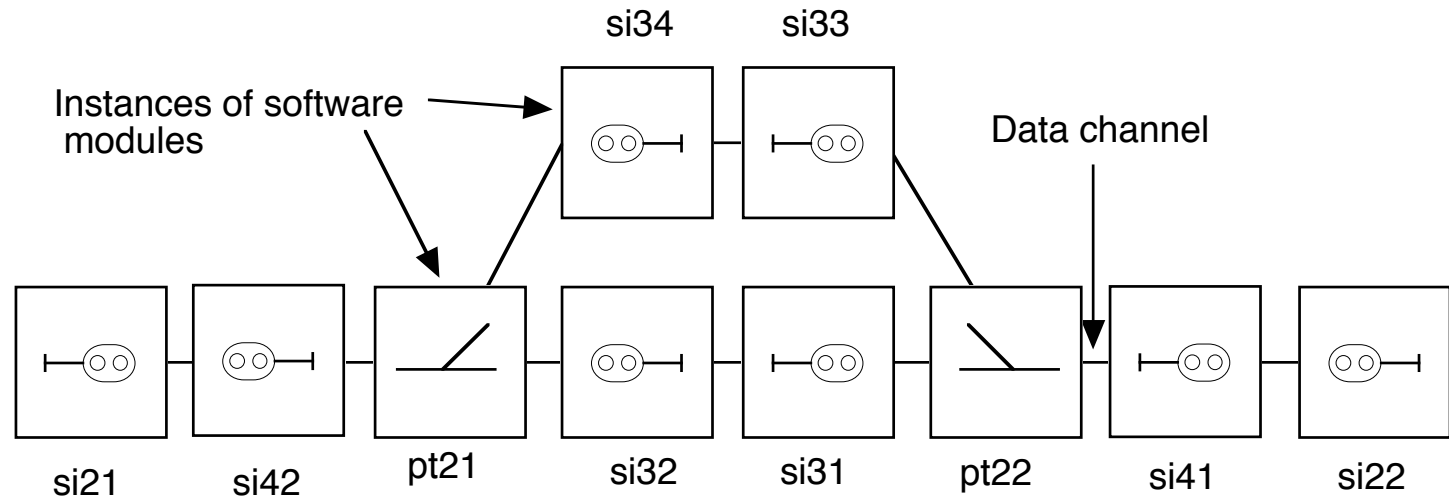
Geographical data at Bombardier

- Formal verification of interlocking software, written in the proprietary language STERNOL.
- Ebilock interlocking systems use data files with geographical data for configuring the software.
- The tools SST (STERNOL specification tool) and SVT (STERNOL verification tool) perform formal verification of STERNOL programs, providing access to geographical data.
- SST+SVT can generate all train routes using domain axioms and exhaustive SAT solving.



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Using geographical data with SST



- Specialised specification language includes constructs to access this data:

```
legs(SI42) = 2,  
leg(SI42,1) = PT21  
leg(SI42,2) = SI21.....
```



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Dynamic behaviour

(A comment on Dines' talk)

- Railway signalling uses protections to prevent (within reason) accidents when trains do not respect signals. E.g. overlaps, flank protection.
- Protections are typically not defined or determined in a very well-founded manner.
- A domain theory including dynamics of train movements and (probabilistic) behaviour of drivers and equipment could help design protections in a well-founded manner.