

Run-Time Validation of Timing Constraints for VDM-RT Models

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VDM Real-Time

The Real-Time dialect is an extension to VDM++ where object oriented structure and concurrency was introduced.

Real-Time extensions adds

- Simulated real time; all instructions take time.
- Hardware architecture definition; CPUs and buses.
- Distribution; objects are deployed onto CPUs connected with buses.

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15 MessageRequest -> busid: 0 fromcpu: 0 tocpu: 1 msgid: 1 callthr: 5 opname: "HandleKeyPress(nat)" objref: 1 size: 3 time: 1000000000000000
16 MessageActivate -> msgid: 1 time: 10000000000000000
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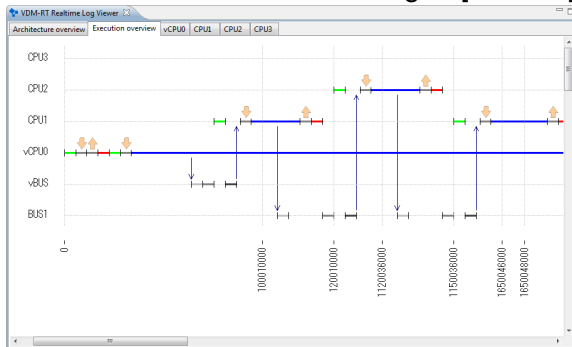
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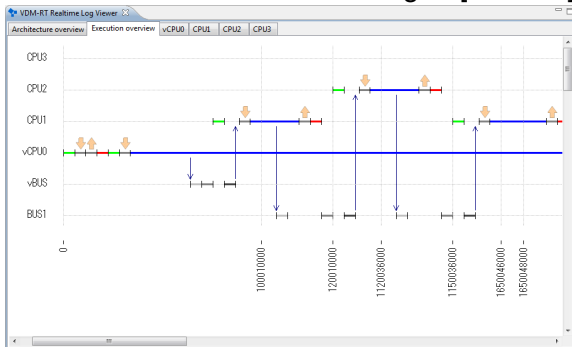

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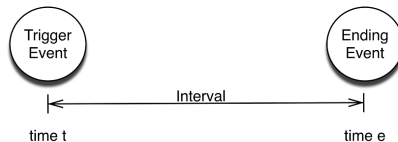


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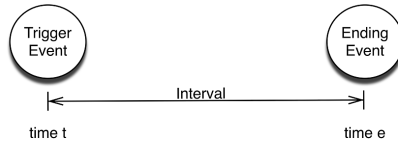
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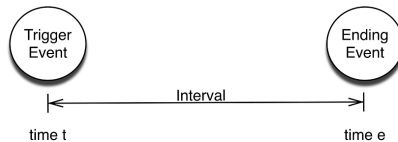
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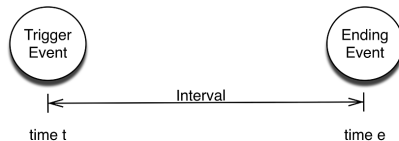


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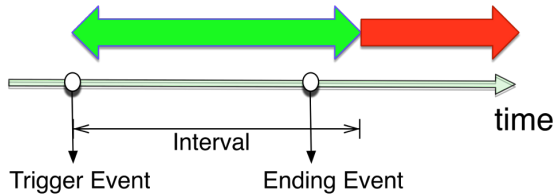
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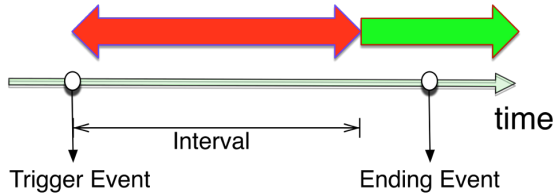
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- Deadline - $T_e - T_t \leq i$



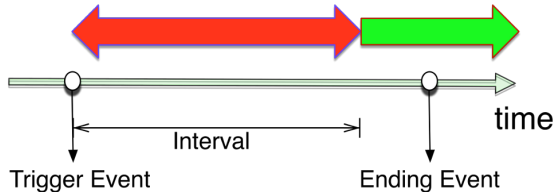
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- Separate required - ending event is demanded

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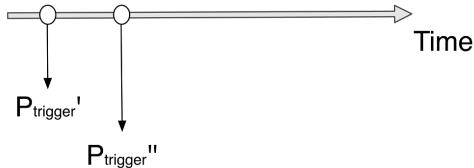
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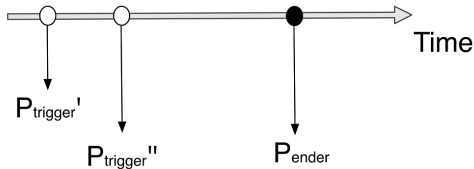
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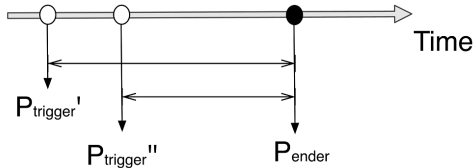
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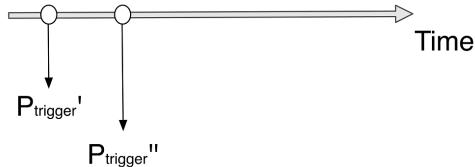
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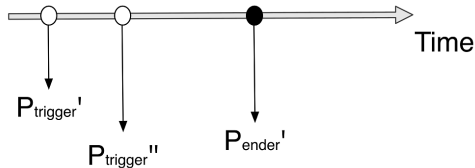
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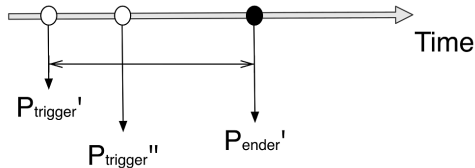
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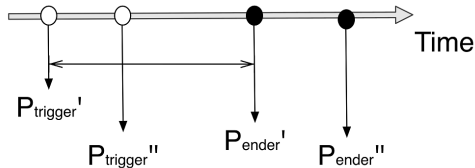
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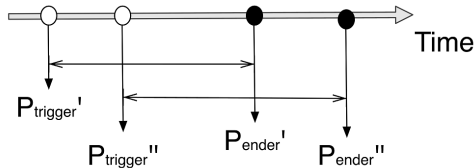
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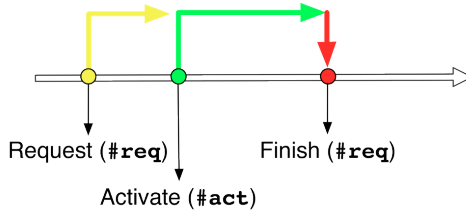
Decommissioning Policies - Others

Other decommissioning policies could be be:

- Matching thread
- Matching object

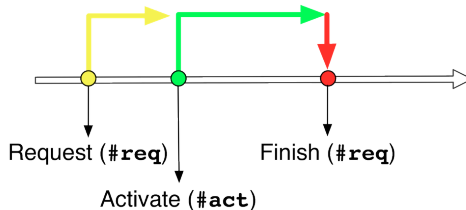
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- Reference operation phases on classes or instances

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Timing Invariants - Syntax

General Syntax

property(trigger, ending, interval)

Examples

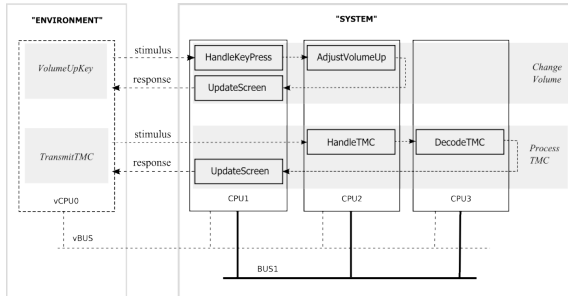
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deadlineMet (  
  ( #req(MMI `HandleKeyPressUp),  
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Case study - In car navigation radio

- Case appears in M. Verhoef PhD thesis
- Car radio with 3 CPUs
- Process Traffic Message Channel (TMC) and controls volume



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C1: *A volume change must be reflected in the display within 35 ms.*

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C2: *The screen should be updated no more than once every 500 ms.*

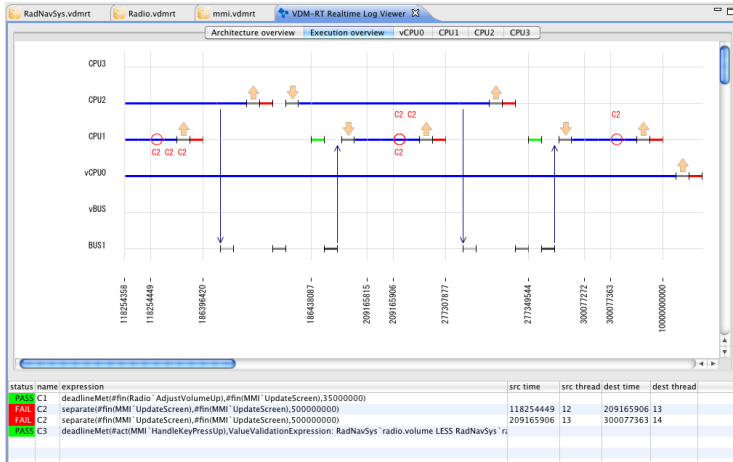
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separate (  
    #fin (MMI `UpdateScreen) ,  
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C3: *If the volume is to be adjusted upwards and it is not currently at the maximum, the audible change should occur within 100 ms.*

```
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Achieved Results



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deadlineMet(evTrigger1, evEnder1, 400 ms);
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separate(evTrigger2, evEnder2, 1000 ms);
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Ending

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