



The π -Calculus for SoS: Novel π -Calculus for the Formal Modeling of Software-intensive Systems-of-Systems

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Introduction: Software-intensive System-of-Systems

- Software-intensive Systems-of-Systems (SoS)
 - Systems are independently developed, operated, managed, evolved and eventually retired
 - Increasingly, networks make communication and cooperation possible among these independent systems
 - These networked systems evolved to form Systems-of-Systems
 - Systems-of-Systems are evolutionary developed from independent systems to achieve missions not possible by a constituent system alone
 - SoS creates emergent behavior
 - Systems-of-Systems have evolutionary architectures

Cyber-Physical Systems

Software-intensive Internet of Things

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Introduction: System-of-Systems Architecture

Software-intensive Systems

- were simple and became complicated: needs engineering
- are becoming complex as SoS: needs architecture
 - complexity poses the need for separation of concerns between architecture and engineering
 - architecture: focus on reasoning about interactions of parts and their emergent properties
- Issues:
 - Do the process calculi constituting the formal foundations of ADLs for single systems provide enough expressive power for modeling SoS architectures?
 - Beyond the process calculi underlying single system ADLs, are there other process calculi that would be suitable for describing SoS architectures?

Limitations of the state-of-the-art ADLs for describing SoS Architectures

- Software Architecture Description Language (ADL)
 - Subject of intensive research in the last 20 years
 - Proposal of several ADLs for formally describing Software Architecture (see IFIP/IEEE ICSA, ECSA, QoSA...; IEEE TSE, ACM TOSEM, JSS, FGCS, IEEE Software...)

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- ADLs for Single Systems
 - None of those ADLs has the expressive power to describe the Software Architecture of a Software-intensive SoS
 - Formal foundations of these ADLs are too limited to describe SoS Architectures
- A novel formal foundation is needed for representing, analyzing and evolving SoS Architectures

Need of a novel formal foundation to describe SoS Architectures
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Formal Foundations of ADLs for Single Systems: Process Calculi

- Formal foundations for describing the Architecture of Single Systems are mostly based on Process Calculi
 - FSP: the formal foundation of Darwin ADL
 - CSP: the formal foundation of Wright ADL
 - π -Calculus: the formal foundation of π -ADL
- Process Calculi

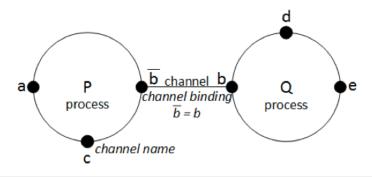
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- Mathematical theory for formally modeling concurrent communicating systems
 - provide a formalism for the description of communicating processes
 - provide algebraic laws that allow process descriptions to be manipulated and analyzed
 - enable formal reasoning about equivalences between processes
- The Process Calculus of reference
 - **The** *π***-Calculus** (ACM Turing Award for Robin Milner in 1991)

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Formal Foundations of ADLs for Single Systems: The π -Calculus

π-Calculus



- Basic concepts
 - Processes (single and composite processes)
 - Channels (interaction points) channels support the binding of interaction points in concurrent processes
 - Names (including channel names)
 - Mobility (channels are used to send and receive names that may be channels)
- π-Calculus has shown to be a suitable formal foundation for describing and analyzing the architecture of softwareintensive single systems
- However, π-Calculus as well as other process calculi, e.g.
 FSP/CSP, are too limited to cope with SoS architecture needs

Formal Foundations of ADLs for Single Systems: Process Calculi

- Different process calculi were applied for formally describing the architecture of single software-intensive systems
 - Including different variants of the π-Calculus
- Bindings in all these process calculi for the architecture description of single software-intensive systems are:
 - endogenously decided at design-time
 - extensionally declared at design-time
 - unconstrained by local environments
 - unmediated between constituents
- Expressive power of these process calculi based on designtime decisions do not cope with SoS defining characteristics
- Research question:
 - How to enhance the π-Calculus for formally describing SoS architectures?

Differences of Description Needs between Single Systems and Systems-of-Systems

- None of the existing π-Calculi provides a suitable basis for formally describing and analyzing SoS architectures
- Needs related to SoS Architecture Description
 - Representing <u>systems</u> as processes
 - Representing <u>mediators</u> between communicating processes via inferred channel bindings
 - In SoS, the binding between channels must be exogenous
 - Problem: In the π -Calculus binding is endogenous
 - In SoS, the binding must be constrained by local contexts
 - Problem: In the π -Calculus binding is unconstrained
 - In SoS, the binding between channels must be intentional
 - Problem: In the π -Calculus binding is extensional
 - In SoS, the binding between channels must be mediated
 - Problem: In the π -Calculus binding is unmediated

Enhanced π-Calculus

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Problematics:

Formal Approach for Describing SoS Architectures: The π -Calculus for SoS

• Design decisions for the π -Calculus for SoS

- Generalization of the π-Calculus with mediated constraints
 - **Subsuming the original** *π*-Calculus
 - Coping with uncertainty
 - In SoS, partial information contributes to uncertainty, in addition to the uncertainty of emergent behavior
- Definition of an enhanced π-Calculus based on
 - Concurrent interacting processes
 - Concurrent constraints on interactions
 - Inferred bindings from concurrent processes and constraints: exogenous, constrained, intentional, mediated
- Emergent behavior
- Drawn from constrained interactions
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 π -Calculus for SoS

Inferred Bindings

Concurrent Constraints π -Calculus

Formal Approach for Describing SoS Architectures: The π -Calculus for SoS

- The π-Calculus for SoS: meeting the needs of SoS architecture description
 - the π-Calculus for SoS generalizes the π-Calculus with the notion of computing with partial information based on concurrent constraints
 - A constraint represents partial information on the state of the environment as perceived by mediated constituent systems
 - During the computation, the current state of the environment is specified by a set of told constraints
 - Processes can change the state of the environment by telling information
 - tell new constraints or untell existing constraints
 - Processes can synchronize by entailing information from the environment
 - ask whether a given constraint can be inferred from the told constraints in the environment



Abstract Syntax of the π -Calculus for SoS

- The formal definition of the π -Calculus for SoS encompasses its formal abstract syntax and formal semantics
 - formal operational semantics of π -Calculus for SoS is defined by means of a formal transition system, expressed by labelled transition rules

Transition rule:

$$\xrightarrow{\alpha_1} P_1' \dots P_n \xrightarrow{\alpha_n} C'$$

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→ Pn'

where side conditions

P1 ----

Abstract syntax of π -Calculus for SoS constrainedBehavior ::= behavior1 restriction₁. constrainedBehavior₁ -- Constrained Behavior **behavior** name₁ (value₀ ..., value_n) is { behavior₁ } -- Definition **constraint** name₁ **is** { constraint₁ } -- Constraint Definition **compose** { constrainedBehavior₀ ... **and** constrainedBehavior_n } behavior ::= baseBehavior1 restriction₁. behavior₁ -- Unconstrained Behavior **repeat {** behavior₁ **}** -- Repeat **apply** name₁ (value₀ ..., value_n) -- Application **compose** { behavior₀ ... **and** behavior_n } -- Composition baseBehavior ::= $action_1$. behavior_1 -- Sequence **choose {** action₀. baseBehavior₀ -- Choice or action₁.baseBehavior₁...or action_n.baseBehavior_n} if constraint, then { baseBehavior, } else { baseBehavior, } -- Termination done action ::= baseAction1 tell constraint -- Tell untell constraint1 -- Unsaid -- Check check constraint1 ask constraint1 -- Ask baseAction ::= via connection₁ send value₀ -- Output **via** connection₁ **receive** name₀ : type₀ -- Input unobservable -- Unobservable connection ::= connection name1 restriction ::= value name₁ = value₀ | connection₁

Formal Definition of the $\pi ext{-}$ Calculus for SoS 12

Formal Semantics of Actions in the π -Calculus for SoS

Actions:

- send value via connection
- receive value via connection
- unobservable internal actions
- tell constraint to local environment
- untell constraint from local environment
- check if constraint is consistent with local environment
- ask if constraint can be entailed from local environment

Formal semantics of π -Calculus for SoS: labeled tran Output:	nsition rules for actions
compose constraint0n via connection1 send and (via connection1 send value1.behavior1) via connection1 send	^d value1 → compose {constrainton and behavior1
Input.	
compose { constrainton } via connection1 receive value.behavior1) } via connection1 receive value.behavior1)	ceive value1 → compose and (value = value1) and behavior1
where (constrainton and (value = value1)) is consistent, i.e. binding (value = value1)) is constrainton	alue1) can be consistently asserted together
Unobservable: compose $\{constraint0n \text{ and } (unobservable.behavior1)\}$	←→ compose {constrainton and behavior1}
Tell:	
compose {constraintom and (tell constraintn . behavior1)} $\xrightarrow{\tau}$ compose {c	constraintom and constraintn and behavior1
where (constraint0.m and constraintn) is consistent, i.e. constraintn can be con-	sistently asserted with constraintom
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where (constrainton - constraintm) is consistent, i.e. constraintm can be consis	stently retracted from constraint0n
Check:	
compose $\{\text{constrainton} \text{ and } (\text{check constraintm . behavior1}) \} \xrightarrow{\tau} constraintm$	ompose {constrainton and behavior1}
where (constrainton and constraintm) is consistent, i.e. constraintm is o	
Ask: compose {constraint0m and (ask constraintn.behavior1)} $\xrightarrow{\tau}$ compose	ose constrainte m and behavior

where constrainto..m |- constraintn, i.e. constraintn can be derived from constrainto..m

Formal Semantics of Behaviors in π-Calculus for SoS

Behaviors:

- restriction of value to local behavior
- communication of value via connection between behaviors
 - synchronization between send and receive
 - equality constraint
- extrusion of value to another behavior (open restriction & close communication)
- nondeterministic choice among behaviors
- conditional choice between behaviors
- repetition of behavior
- composition of concurrent behaviors

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Formal semantics of π -Calculus for SoS: labeled transition rules for behaviors

Restriction:

constrainedBehavior1 — action1 — constrainedBehavior1'

value value1 . constrainedBehavior1 → value value1 . constrainedBehavior1 * where value1 . constrainedBehavior1 * where value1 ∉ names(action1), i.e. value1 is not among the names used in action1

Communication:

behavior1	via connection1 send value1 > behavi	ior1'	behavior2-	via connection2 receive value > behavior2'
	constrainton		constraint0n	
compose	and (connection1 = connection2)	$\xrightarrow{\tau}$ compose	and (connection	11 = connection2)
	and behavior1 and behavior2		and (value = va	llue1) and behavior1' and behavior2'

where connection1 = connection2, i.e. (connection1 = connection2) is a binding resulting from an extrusion or unification

Restriction-Open:

constrainedBehavior1	via connection1 send value1	→ constrainedBehavior1'
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value value1.constrainedBehavior1 _____via connection1 send value1 _____ constrainedBehavior1'

where value1 ≠ connection1, i.e. value1 cannot be used for connection as it is restricted

Communication-Close:

behavior1	lue connection . via connection1 send cor	nection → behavior1' be	havior2	via connection2 receive value	or2'
compose	constrainton and (connection1=connection2) and behavior1 and behavior2	$\rightarrow \xrightarrow{\tau}$ value connection. cor	npose	constrainton and (connection1=connection2) and (value = connection) and behavior1' and behavior2'	

where value \notin free(behavior2), i.e. value is not restricted in behavior2 while connection is restricted in behavior1

Choice:

constrainton and (actioni . behaviori')	
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composo	constrainton	action/	constraint0n
compose	and choose {actiono.behavioro'or actionm.behaviorm'}	}compose	and behavior;

where $i \in 0..m$, i.e. only one of the actions action0..m is performed

Conditional-Then:

behavior1 → behavior1'	constraint = true
compose {constraint0n and (if constraint then behavior1 else behavior2)}	

Conditional-Else:

behavior2 — action2 → behavior2'	constraint = fa	lse
compose {constraint0n and (if constraint then behavior1 else behavior2)}-	action1	constrainton and behavior2

Repetition:

behavior1 → behavior1'

 $\textbf{repeat} \{ \texttt{behavior1} \} \xrightarrow{\texttt{action1}} \texttt{behavior1'} \cdot \textbf{repeat} \{ \texttt{behavior1} \}$

where behavior1'. behavior1 is a sequential composition, i.e. behavior1' must be performed before behavior1

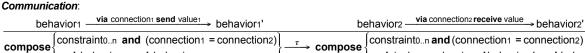
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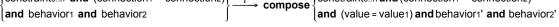
	constrainedBehavioro		constrainedBehavioro
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	and constrainedBehaviorn		and constrainedBehaviorn

where $i \in 1...n$ and bound(actioni) \cap free(constrainedBehavioro...n-i) = \emptyset ,

i.e. restricted names in actioni are not restricted elsewhere

Understanding the Semantics of the π -Calculus for SoS





via connection1 send value1

→ compose { constraint0..n and behavior1 }

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Output.
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constraint0..n compose and (via connection1 send value1. behavior1)

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<pre>via energy::power receive powerlevel if (powerlevel > powerthreshold) then { tell powering is {powerlevel > powerthreshold} choose{ via measurement::sense receive data via measurement::measure send tuple{coordinate=lps,depth=data::convert()} } or { via measurement::pass receive data via measurement::measure send data</pre>	<pre>repeat { via transmit::fromSensors receive measure via transmit::towardsGateway send measure } } coordinate sensors[1]: sensors[1]: sensor sensor sensor sense </pre>
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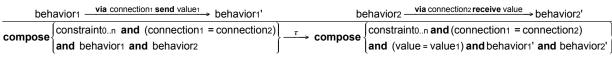
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Communication:

Output.

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constraint0..n



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→ compose { constraint0..n and behavior1

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and (via connection1 send value1. behavior1)

Formal Definition of the π -Calculus for SoS

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Validating the Formal Operational Semantics of SosADL: WSN-based Urban River Monitoring SoS

Monjolinho river crossing the city of Sao Carlos





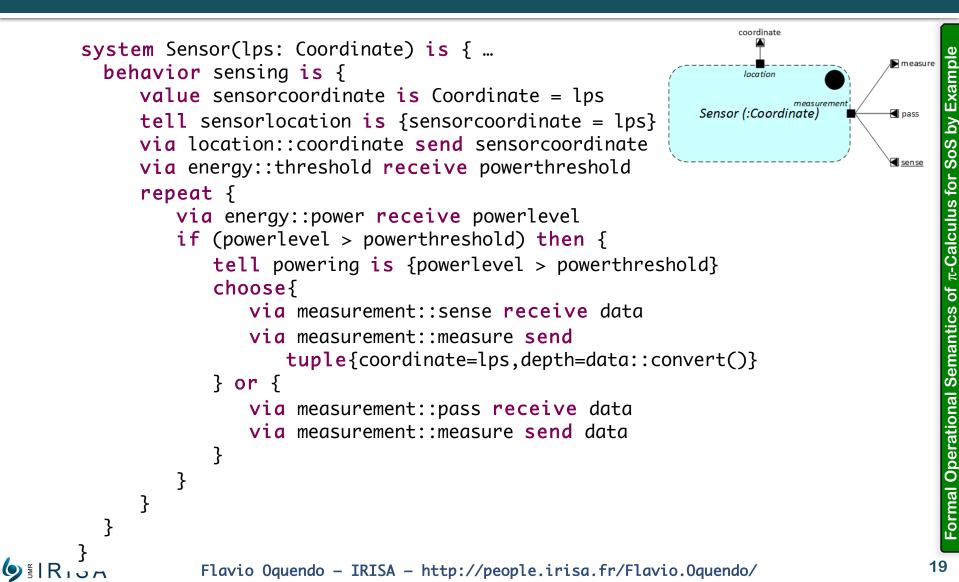
- The Urban River Monitoring SoS is based on two kinds of constituent systems:
 - wireless river sensors (for measuring river level depth via pressure physical sensing)
 - a gateway base station (for analyzing variations of river level depths and warning on the risk of flash flood)

Example Calculus for SoS by antics of

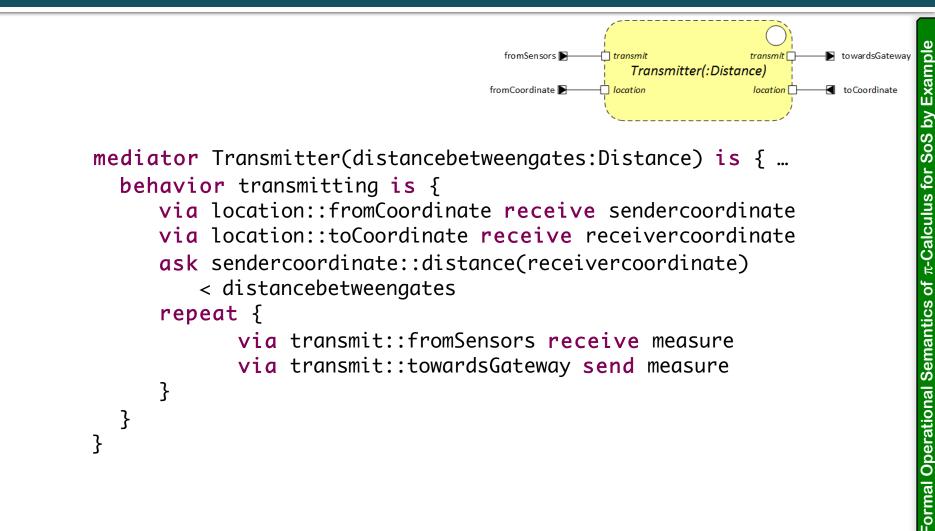
Applying π -Calculus for SoS: Urban River Monitoring

- Sensor motes are operated by different City Councils in the Urban area
- Operational independence of constituent systems
 - Each sensor mote operates in a way that is independent of other sensor motes (which may belong to different organizations and have different missions, e.g. pollution control, water supply, ...)
- Managerial independence of constituent systems
 - Each sensor mote has its own strategy for transmission vs. energy consumption
- Geographical distribution of constituent systems
 - Sensor motes are geographically distributed along the river
- Evolutionary development of system-of-systems
 - New sensor motes may be installed, existing sensor motes may be changed or uninstalled without any control from the SoS
- Emergent behavior of system-of-systems
 - Sensor motes together, with the gateway, will make
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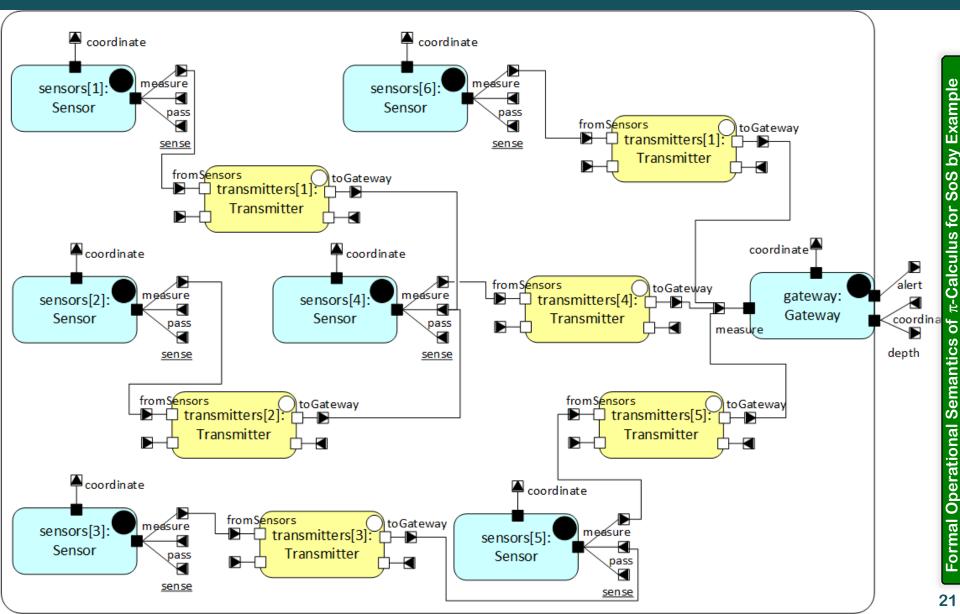
Illustrating the Formal Operational Semantics of SosADL: WSN-based Urban River Monitoring SoS



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Urbain River Monitoring SoS Architecture: Concretion (snapshot)



Validation through Real Application Cases

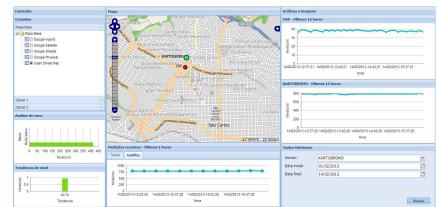
Urban River Monitoring SoS

- Monjolinho river crossing the city of Sao Carlos
 - XBee motes, ZigBee transmissions, Solar panels...

Flood Monitoring and Emergency Response SoS

- Wireless River Sensors
- Telecommunication Gateways
- Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs)
- Vehicular Ad Hoc Networks (VANETs)
- Meteorological Centers
- Fire and Rescue Services
- Hospital Centers
- Police Departments
- Short Message Service Centers
- Social Networks











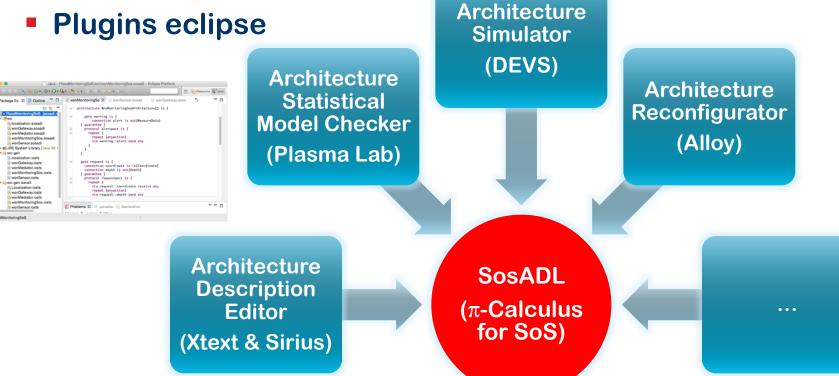
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Toolset for π **-Calculus for SoS**

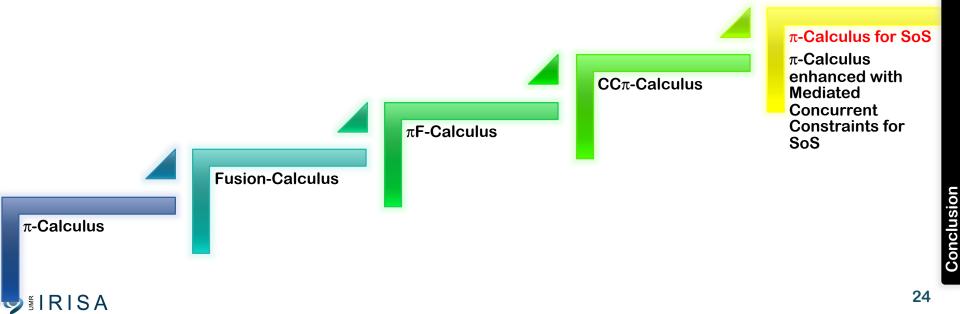
- **SosADE (SoS Architecture Development Environment)** for supporting the application of SosADL based on the π -Calculus for SoS for description and analysis of SoS Software Architectures
 - **Plugins eclipse**



Conclusion: Novel π -Calculus coping with SoS needs

• π -Calculus for SoS

- Enhances the expressiveness of the π-Calculus with Mediated Concurrent Constraints for coping with SoS characteristics
 - exogenous, intentional, constrained and mediated channel bindings subject to uncertainty
- Provides a novel π -Calculus as formal foundation for SosADL



Conclusion: Novel π -Calculus coping with SoS needs

- π-Calculus for SoS provides a formal foundation having the expressiveness to address the challenge of describing architectures of Software-intensive SoSs
 - The π-Calculus for SoS supports automated verification of correctness properties of SoS architectures
 - The π-Calculus for SoS supports validation through executable specifications
 - Including simulation to validate and discover emergent behaviors
- π-Calculus for SoS provided the formal foundation of a novel ADL for SoS: SosADL
- It was applied for architecting a Flood Monitoring and Emergency Response SoS in the Monjolinho river crossing the City of Sao Carlos
- Several new applications are on the way with DCNS, IBM, ICMC, SEGULA... for formal modeling SoS Architectures

Thank You

Questions?







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