OVERTURE AN INTRODUCTION CONSERTS

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Motivation

Safety Assurance in Cyber-Physical Systems is impeded by

- Increasing complexity of systems of systems
- Increasing variability in terms of operating modes and collaboration groups
- Runtime Monitoring allows to assure certain properties during operation, based on pre-assured components
- Creation of Runtime Monitors should be as automated as possible avoiding the introduction of development faults



AGENDA

- Conditional Safety Certificates (ConSerts)
- Implementation
 - Services & Dimensions
 - Safety Evaluation
 - Deployment Targets and Framework
- Evaluation & Discussion



Safety Engineering with ConSerts

- Domain Engineers define Ontology / Type System
- Safety Engineers derive ConSerts from Assurance Process
- ConSerts are used for
 - Composition- (aka Compile-) Time Assurance Can systems conceptually collaborate?
 - Run-Time Assurance what can systems do safely right now





Conditional Safety Certificates (ConSerts)

- Methodology-wise derived from Assurance Cases
- Model-Based Approach to specify
 - Success Trees for System-Local Behaviour and Provided Guarantees
 - Demand-Guarantee Relations between Collaborating Systems
- Collaborations and Adaptations assured conditionally at design-time
- Conditions monitored and evaluated at run-time
- Approach technically suited to also model quality properties that are not safety





End-to-End Safety Engineering with ConSerts



Execute Model-Based Safety Engineering to identify:

- Safety Properties that can only be assured collaboratively One system guarantees another system's demand
- Exported ConSerts Model File serves as input to conserts-rs
 - Rust-based Command-Line Tool
 - compile turns ConSert models into executable Rust-based monitoring code
 - compose takes several ConSerts and checks if they can be composed safely
- Automating this process integrates well with Continuous Delivery for Safety-Critical Software¹

¹ Marc Zeller, Daniel Ratiu, Martin Rothfelder, and Frank Buschmann. An industrial roadmap for continuous delivery of software for safety-critical systems. In 39th International Conference on Computer Safety, Reliability and Security (SAFECOMP), Position Paper, 2020.



ConSert Services

- When formalizing, we consider Services as provided/required by individual systems
- Services have a type and multiple services can be composed if they have the same type
- Provided Service
 - Туре
 - Guarantees
- Required Service
 - Туре
 - Demands

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ConSert Dimensions

- id: ExampleGuarantee
 dimension:
 - Numeric:
 - type: UnoccupiedTime
 covered:
 - Inclusive: start: 0.0
 - **end**: 1.48
 - subset: Demand
 - uom: second







ConSert Composition

- Start with an empty System-of-Systems
- While adding a ConSert:
 - Check for all required services if there are matching provided services
 - Check for each demand in a required service if at least one matching guarantee is present
- Matching is defined as dimensions musts match
 - Binary, Categorical, Numerical
 - If Categorical / Numerical, considered Subset relationship and covered set



Implementation | Safety Evaluation





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Deployment | Embedded System with <u>rtic.rs</u>

```
use consert_edcc2021::{properties::*, *};
```

```
#[app(device = target, peripherals = true)]
const APP: () = {
    struct Resources {
        safe: bool,
        rtp: properties::RuntimeProperties,
        monitor: monitor::Monitor,
        // ...
    }
    // ...
    #[task(resources = [safe, monitor, rtp])]
    fn evaluate_safety(
        cx: evaluate_safety::Context) {
    }
}
```

```
let resources = cx.resources;
// Move current sample to monitor
resources.monitor.add_sample(
    *resources.rtp);
*resources.rtp = RuntimeProperties::unknown();
```

```
// Evaluate safety
let rte = resources.monitor.get_sample();
    *resources.safe =
      guarantees::SG4::evaluate(&rte);
```

```
#[task(binds = RTC0, resources = [rtc_0, rtp,
    velocity_sensor])]
fn rtc(cx: rtc::Context) {
    use uom::si::{velocity::*, f64::Velocity};
```

```
let velocity =
  *cx.resources.velocity_sensor.sample();
let rtp: &mut RuntimeProperties =
  &mut *cx.resources.rtp;
rtp.approximation_speed_of_detected_object =
  ApproximationSpeedOfDetectedObject::Known(
      Velocity::new::<meter_per_second>(velocity));
```



Deployment | ROS & C++

- ROS is popular in both academia and industry
- Foreign-Function Interfaces (FFI) to C++ allow for high flexibility in terms of application context
- Both deployment variants can be auto-generated

```
#[no_mangle]
pub unsafe extern "C" fn Monitor_get_sample(
    ptr: *mut Monitor) -> *mut RuntimeEvidence {
    let monitor = {
        assert!(!ptr.is_null());
        &mut *ptr
    };
    Box::into_raw(Box::new(monitor.get_sample()))
}
```

```
use crate::prelude::*;
use rosrust::{Publisher, Subscriber};
// more use statements omitted for clarity
pub struct RosMonitor {
 pub rtp: Arc<AtomicCell<RuntimeProperties>>,
  pub monitor: Monitor,
 pub subscriptions: Vec<Subscriber>,
  pub SG4: Publisher<msg::consert_edcc2021::SG4>,
  pub SG5: Publisher<msg::consert edcc2021::SG5>,
impl RosMonitor
  // ...
  pub fn run_standalone(mut self,
    frequency: Frequency) {
    let rate = rosrust::rate(
      frequency.get::<hertz>());
    while rosrust::is_ok() {
      let rte_sample = self.cycle();
      self.publish_all(&rte_sample);
      rate.sleep();
  pub fn cycle(&mut self) -> RuntimeEvidence {
    let rtp_sample = self.rtp.load();
    self.rtp.store(RuntimeProperties::unknown());
    self.monitor.add_sample(rtp_sample);
    self.monitor.get_sample()
```





- Measuring inference latency (WCET), aka "how many cycles are taken to compute guarantee value".
- Nordic Semiconductor nRF52840, 64MHz Arm Cortex-M4 FPU, 1MB Flash, 256 KB RAM
 - No chip for safety-critical domain, but CPU & memory specification is comparable
- For realisitic ConSert size of 50 evidence (other values in paper confirm linear relationship):
 - Monitor Cycling Time: 92.92us (store current, apply majority vote over history)
 - Guarantee Evaluation Time: 3.22us (evaluate boolean logic)
- In summary: additional monitoring meets real-time constraints and adds only little latency.



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- Manual review of the auto-generated code is one option we consider
 - Review must be feasible, i.e. code should be comprehensible

- use super::evidence::RuntimeEvidence; #[doc = "Near Environment Unoccupied by Humans"] pub struct SG4; impl SG4 (pub fn evaluate (runtime evidence: &RuntimeEvidence) -> bool { **let** c0 = { #[doc = "Near Zone Unoccupied."] let c0 = runtime_evidence.RtE3; #[doc = "Approximation Speed of Detected Object <= 1m/s"] let c1 = runtime_evidence.RtE4; #[doc = "Installation Approved by Health and Safety Engineer"] let c1 = runtime evidence.RtE5; c0 && c1
- We consider lines of code (LoC) as most lines generated by conserts-rs are rather straightforward
- Code consists of (a) static infrastructure (monitor) and (b) dynamic ConSert-dependent code
 - Static code accounts for 150 LoC, most of it is infrastructure without logic
 - Dynamic code accounts for: 18 LoC per runtime property, 7 LoC per monitored evidence/demand, 1 LoC per gate and 1 LoC per evidence in evaluation tree, 4 LoC per guarantee
- In summary, a 50 evidence ConSert yields approx. 1500 LoC that are still feasible to review.



Correctness & the Rust Programming Language

Correctness of Code generation must be proved – several components must be qualified

- 1. Code-Generation Logic (conserts-rs)
 - Mapping from Boolean trees to monitor code can be verified formally or via test kit
 - Small size of ConSert models allows for manual code review
- 2. Rust Compiler
 - No certified compiler yet
 - Ferrocene¹ promises to solve that until end of 2022 for ISO 26262 ASIL B
- ConSert model validation (code-gen input) is executed via well-known safety assurance processes

¹ <u>https://ferrous-systems.com/ferrocene/</u>

Outlook

- Openly publish
 - Opus: The Book of ConSerts (handbook-style documentation for ConSerts)
 - conserts-rs (Rust-based library and CLI to work with ConSerts)



Summary



