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MoTeF – A toolchain for model-based test generation

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- Research budget 4.87 million Euros

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- **Adaptive Communication Systems:** Self-organization networks and methods, embedded platforms
- **Software Methodology:** Model-based design, software quality, software product lines

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Area of Expertise - Software Methodology

Model-based design

- Model-based design of distributed and self-organizing software
- Software design for mechatronics systems

Software quality

- Virtual integration
- Model-based test specifications, test scenario generation and selection
- Testing of distributed systems and distributed test systems

Software product lines

- Implementation of software product lines
- Software product line interoperability



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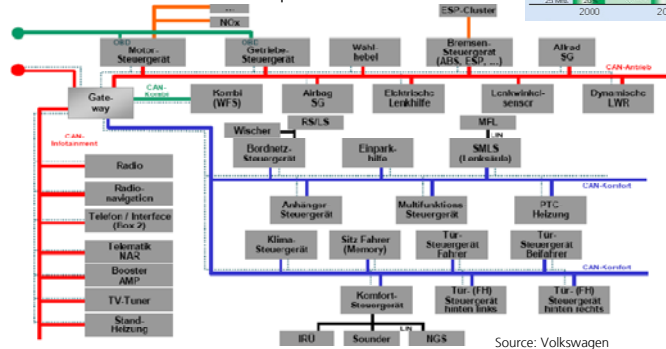
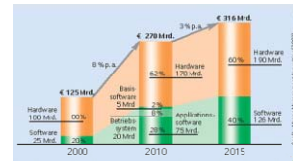
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Problem Statement - Automotive Example

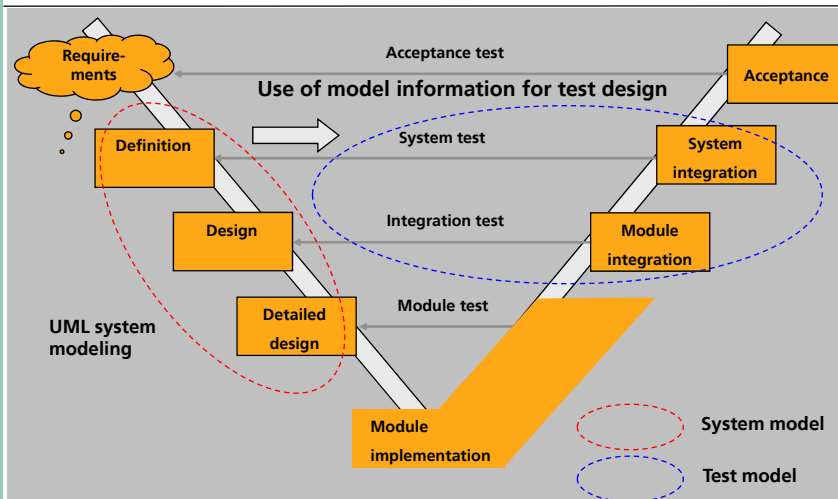
- Up to 70 embedded electronic control units (ECU)
- Rapidly growing percentage of software functions
- High quality demands at cost constraints
- Efficient test methods are required



Source: Volkswagen

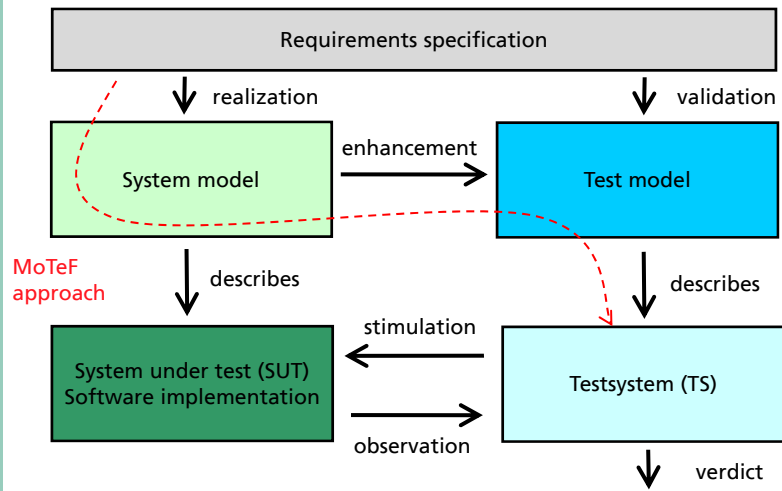
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Model-based Testing



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Definitions and Approaches for Model Based Testing



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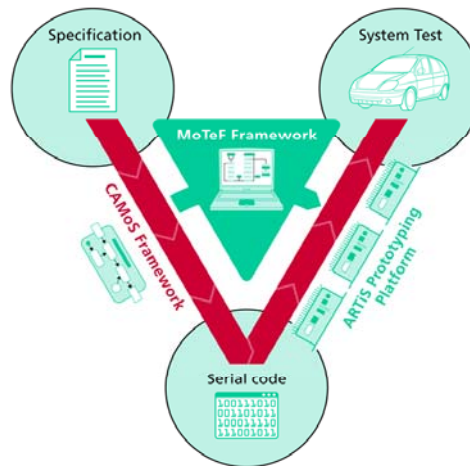
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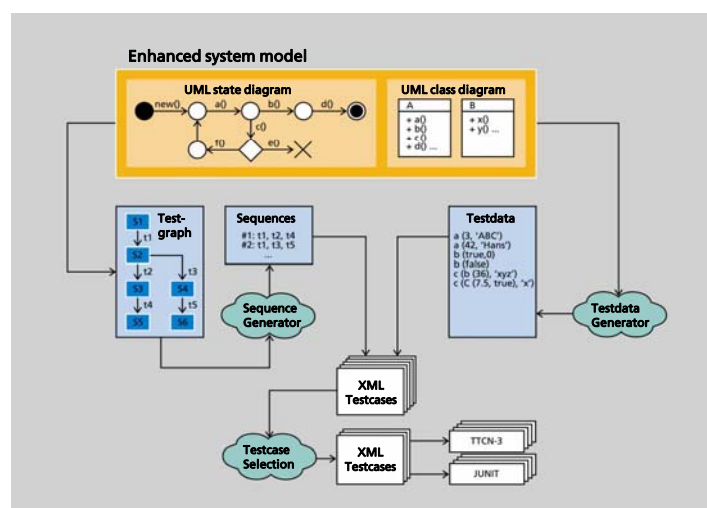
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MoTeF Overview



MoTeF Framework - Test Sequence / Test Generation

Generation and selection of test sequences:

- Compilation of the model states and creation of a test tree
- Compilation of all test flows in the test tree (breadth-first and depth-first searches)
- Selection of relevant test scenarios using annotations in the model in order to implement test strategies (e.g. coverage, risk-based testing)

Generation of test data

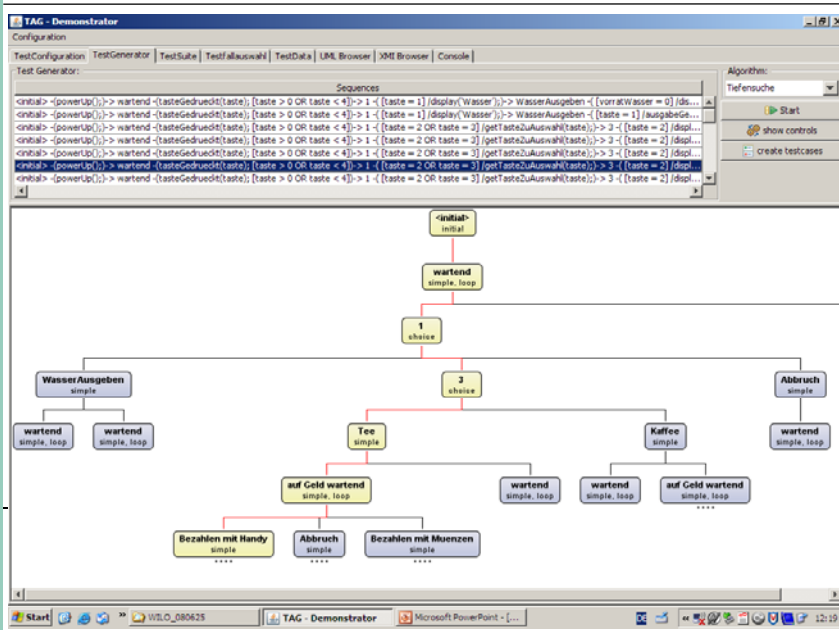
- Random-based
- Equivalence class creation and threshold analysis
- Numerical methods
- Genetic algorithms

Test scenario selection

- Modeling methodology for selection criteria based on annotations

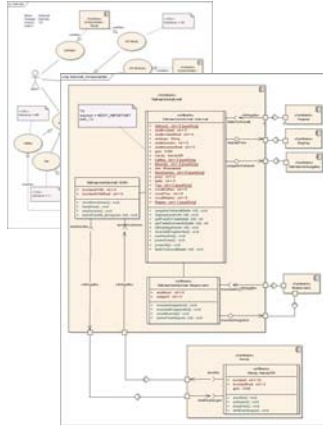
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MoTeF Framework – Tool Prototype



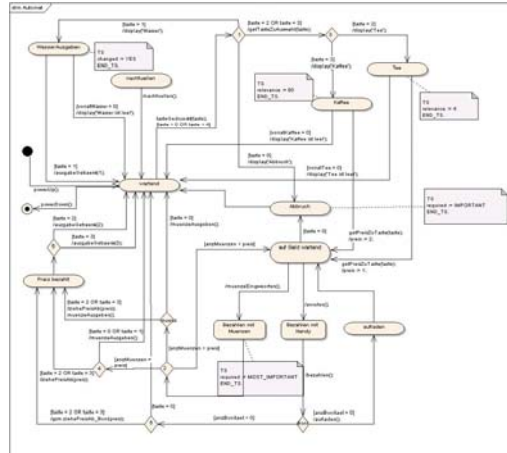
MoTeF Framework – Example: Vending Machine

Use-Cases



Components

State Diagram



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Temp Format XTR

```
<ts:testCase name="TC1">
- <ts:xmlIDs>
  <ts:id>EAID_0FB8914B_B2DC_4a79_B09B_9D978CB30D9B</ts:id>
  <ts:id>EAID_813FBE98_3C43_404a_B807_472E46509D0C</ts:id>
  <ts:id>EAID_874B1893_6505_413e_8368_C6A27327B8EA</ts:id>
  <ts:id>EAID_55683C14_1286_447e_8D0F_7B3566EBEB4D</ts:id>
  <ts:id>EAID_3D7444D0_60E8_4b2d_B586_ED42F5E306EA</ts:id>
  <ts:id>EAID_B0FF8AFF_BA08_46e6_B75D_46F44C6CB27E</ts:id>
  <ts:id>EAID_7F67F2BE_37E3_474a_B910_6825D969402B</ts:id>
  <ts:id>EAID_EE349353_6AFD_427c_8575_FE3C8217A747</ts:id>
  <ts:id>EAID_874B1893_6505_413e_8368_C6A27327B8EA</ts:id>
</ts:xmlIDs>
- <ts:testBehaviour testComponent="TComp1">
- <ts:variables>
  <ts:object name="taste" type="int" complex_type="false" />
</ts:variables>
- <ts:testInteraction type="call" object="test" method="powerUp" />
- <ts:testInteraction type="call" object="test" method="tasteGedrueckt">
  <ts:value type="variable">taste</ts:value>
</ts:testInteraction>
- <ts:verify type="assurance" verdict="pass">
- <ts:condition type="eq">
```

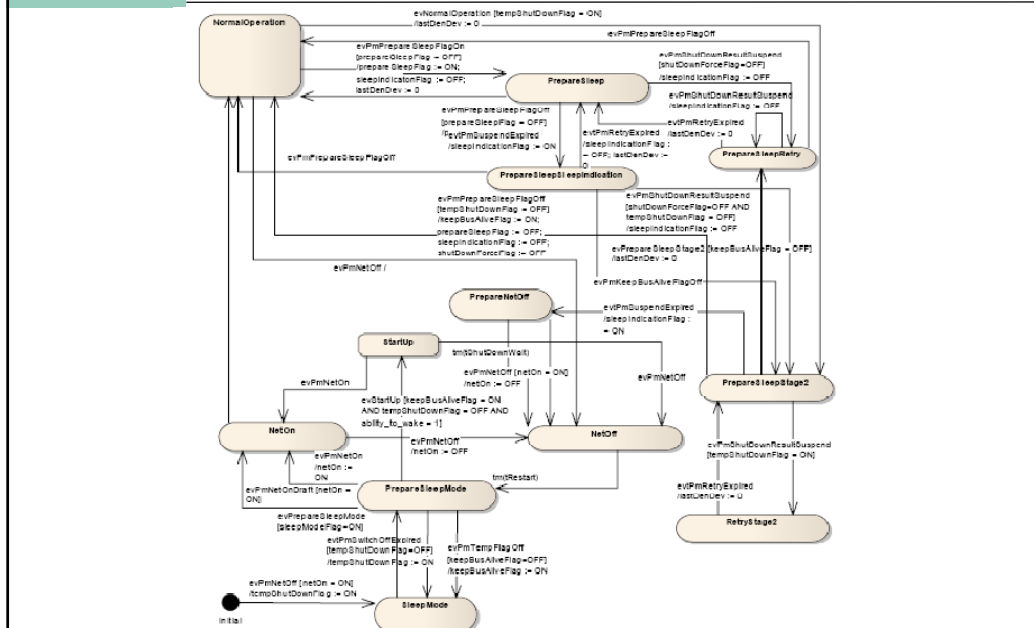
Language JUnit

```
public void testTC1() {
    try {
        int taste = 1;
        tocomp0.powerUp();
        tocomp0.tasteGedrueckt(taste);
        if(! ( tocomp0.getTaste() == 1 )) return;
        if(! ( tocomp0.getVorratWasser() == 0 )) return;
    } catch (Exception ex) {
        fail("exception was not expected");
    }
}

public void testTC2() {
    try {
        int taste = 1;
        tocomp0.powerUp();
        tocomp0.tasteGedrueckt(taste);
        if(! ( tocomp0.getTaste() == 1 )) return;
        if(! ( tocomp0.getTaste() == 1 )) return;
    } catch (Exception ex) {
        fail("exception was not expected");
    }
}
```

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MoTeF Framework – Example: MOST Powermaster



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Motivation

Reasons for using a XML-based representation format

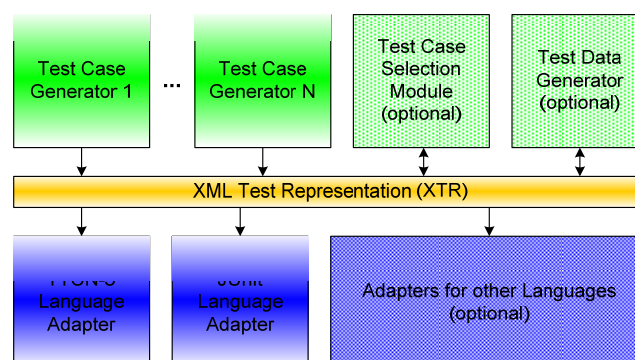
- Many commercial and academic tools for the model-based test generation
- Different solutions for test case specification:
 - Using the same language for programming the SUT and writing test cases
 - Specification of test cases with scripting languages, e.g. TCL
 - Utilization of specialized testing languages, for example TTCN-3
- Only a small number of test generation tools support several target languages
- A test representation format facilitates:
 - The exchange of test cases between different tools
 - The implementation of adapters for different target languages
- Advantages of using XML for test case representation:
 - XML documents can be formalized by XML Schemata (XSD)
 - XML is processable with commercial tools

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Toolchain Architecture

Architecture of a tool chain which utilizes the XTR format

- Different test case generators and other optional modules
- Adaptors for different target languages

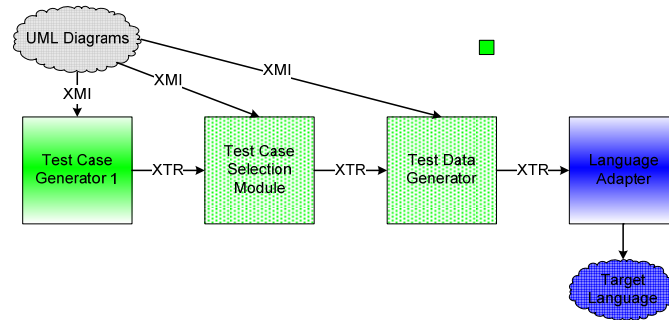


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Toolchain and Workflow

Workflow of test case generation with the XTR format

1. Test Case Generator produces test cases in the XTR format
2. Optional modules can be used for post-processing
3. A Language Adapter transforms XTR test cases into a target language



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XTR example: test case representation

Specification of a XTR test case

```
<testCase name="TC_1">
  <testBehaviour testComponent="Comp...
  ...
</testBehaviour>
<testBehaviour testComponent="Comp...
  <variables>
    <variable name="timeOutTimer" type="...
    <variable name="waitTimer" type="...
  </variables>
  <testInteraction>
    <send> // send testInteraction
    <message>
      <value typeName="aStructure" type="...
      ...
    </value>
    </message>
    </send>
  </testInteraction>
  <timerOperation type="start" time="...
  <testInteraction>
    <receive verdict="pass"> //
    <message> //
      <template templateName="aT...
    </message>
    </receive>
    <timeout timer="timeOutTimer" time="...
  </testInteraction>
  <timerOperation type="stop" time="...
  <synchronize/> // => Synchroni...
</testBehaviour>
</testCase>
```

```
function testBehaviour_2 () runs on Component_2 {
  timer timeOutTimer := 15.0;
  timer waitTimer := 15.0;
  {
    pco2.send(...) // sending a fixed value
    timeOutTimer.start;
    alt {
      []pco2.receive(aTemplate) {
        setverdict(pass);
        timeOutTimer.stop;}
      []pco2.receive(?) {
        setverdict(fail);
        timeOutTimer.stop;}
      [] timeOutTimer.timeout{
        setverdict(fail);}
    }
  }
  synchronize(); // Waiting for other testcomponents
}
```

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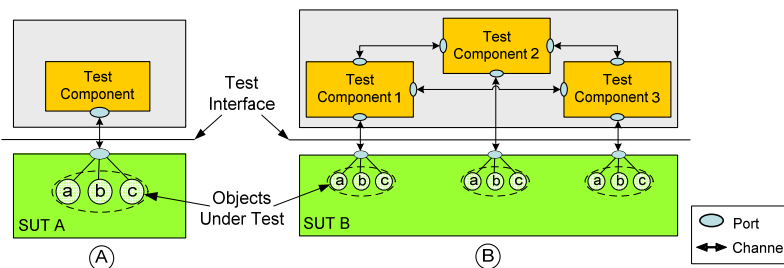
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Testing distributed systems



Scenario A: Centralized test system for distributed objects

- Compilation of the model information
- Automated, integrated creation of test flows and test data

Scenario B: Distributed test systems and distributed systems under test

- Support for distributed systems (communication software)
- Support for parallel processes during testing (concurrencies)

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Model-based testing

- Formal specification for the software under development through models
- Automated development of test flows and test data from existing models

XML based test representation

- Adaptation to different test generators
- Mapping to different target languages

Future research directions

- Testing of distributed systems

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