

# Synthèse et filtrage robuste de la commande pour des systèmes manufacturiers sûrs de fonctionnement

*Synthesis and robust filtering of control for dependable manufacturing systems*

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# Introduction

## Work context

- Problematic :
  - How to secure Automated Production Systems (APS)?
- Use of APS raises problem of :
  - Security risks and damage
  - Maintenance time and qualify people
  - Important cost
- In the industrial case, several objectives :
  - Economic: reduced cost of manufacture, reduced cost of stock, maximum production
  - Humans: improving working conditions
  - Technical: reduce production cycles, increase product quality, improve systems flexibility, improve systems availability
- Possible malfunctions :
  - External : modification of customer demand, bad raw materials, breakdown...
  - Internal : material breakdown of calculator, plant wear, programming error...

# Introduction

## Work context

- An error at level of control programming :
  - A bad operator behavior
  - A bad control programming design
- Due to bad system vision, bad understanding of what to do, or it may be intentional
- It requires to :
  - Assure the plant safety
  - Assure that the specification (technical standard) is conformed
  - Adapt the system vision to the control designer
- Application :
  - Industrial case :
    - Systems more and more complex
    - Reduce the maintenance intervention and the start-up time
  - Pedagogical case :
    - Use Information and Communication Technology : Possibility of equipment collaborative use, remote practical work

# Introduction

## Work context

- Requirements and ideas:
  - To safe the system :
    - Usable in the real world
    - Adapted and time compatible with the controller
    - Independent from control
  - To adapt the system to control designer by:
    - adapting the difficulty parameter (dimension, synchronization, hierarchization) but keeping the system as a whole
    - giving a comprehensible explanation in case of errors

# Introduction

## Works in the domain

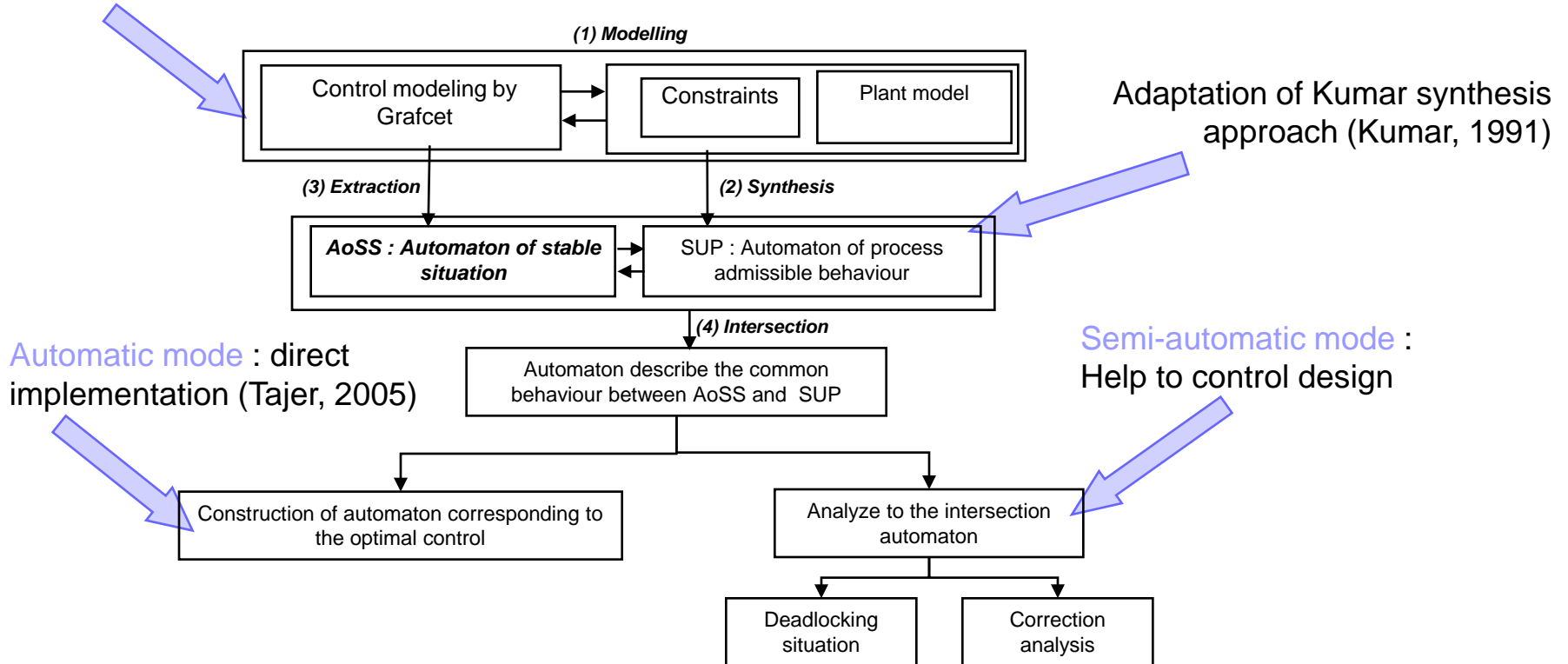
- Definition of validation and verification terms
  - Validation : is the design conform to specification ?
  - Verification : is the validation correctly defined ?
- To analyze the system and to adapt it
  - System definition according to 2 axis : "Whole-Part" et "Means-End" (Lind, 1994)
  - Hierarchical analysis (Belhimeur, 1989)
- To ensure the control dependability
  - Validation/verification approach : simulation, reachability analysis (Kowalewshi et al., 1996), model checking (Gourguff, 2007 ; Barragan, 2007), Theorem Proving (Volker, 2002; Roussel 2002)
  - Monitoring approach (Zamaï, 1997 ; Lhoste, 1994 ; Cruette, 1991)
  - Synthesis approach (Ramadge, 1989 ; Wonham, 1987 ; Tajer, 2006)

# Introduction

## Works in the domain - in CReSTIC

- CReSTIC : Control synthesis works to get a sure determinist and no deadlocking control
- New orientation : support system for the control designer

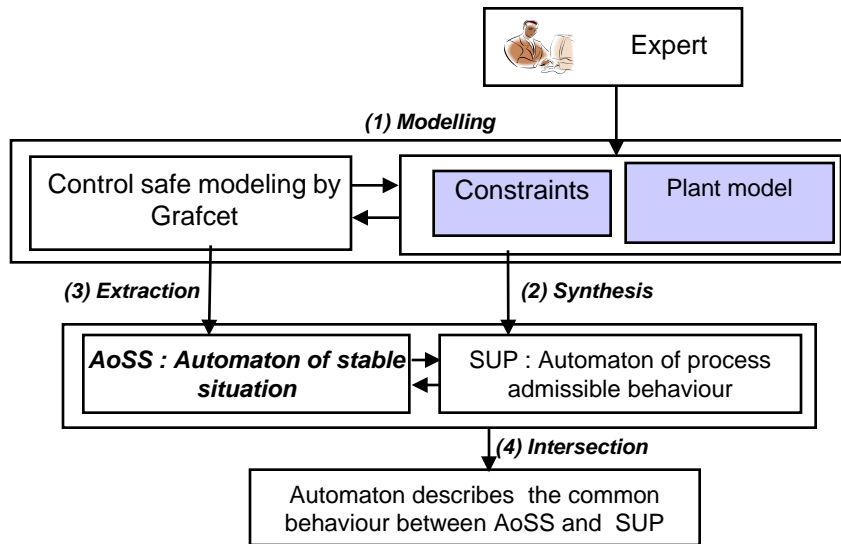
Plant, control and constraints modeling  
(Philipot et al., 2004)



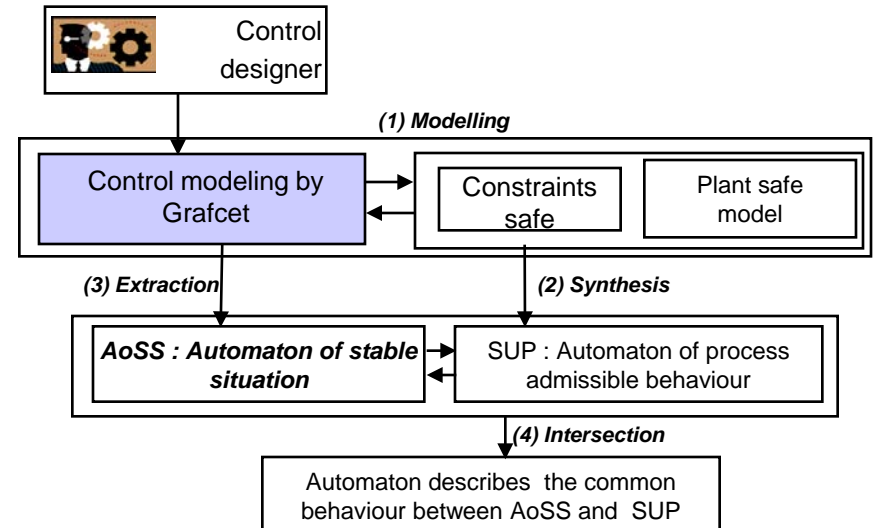
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## Works in the domain - in CReSTIC

- First step : Plant model and constraints verification



- Second step : Control validation





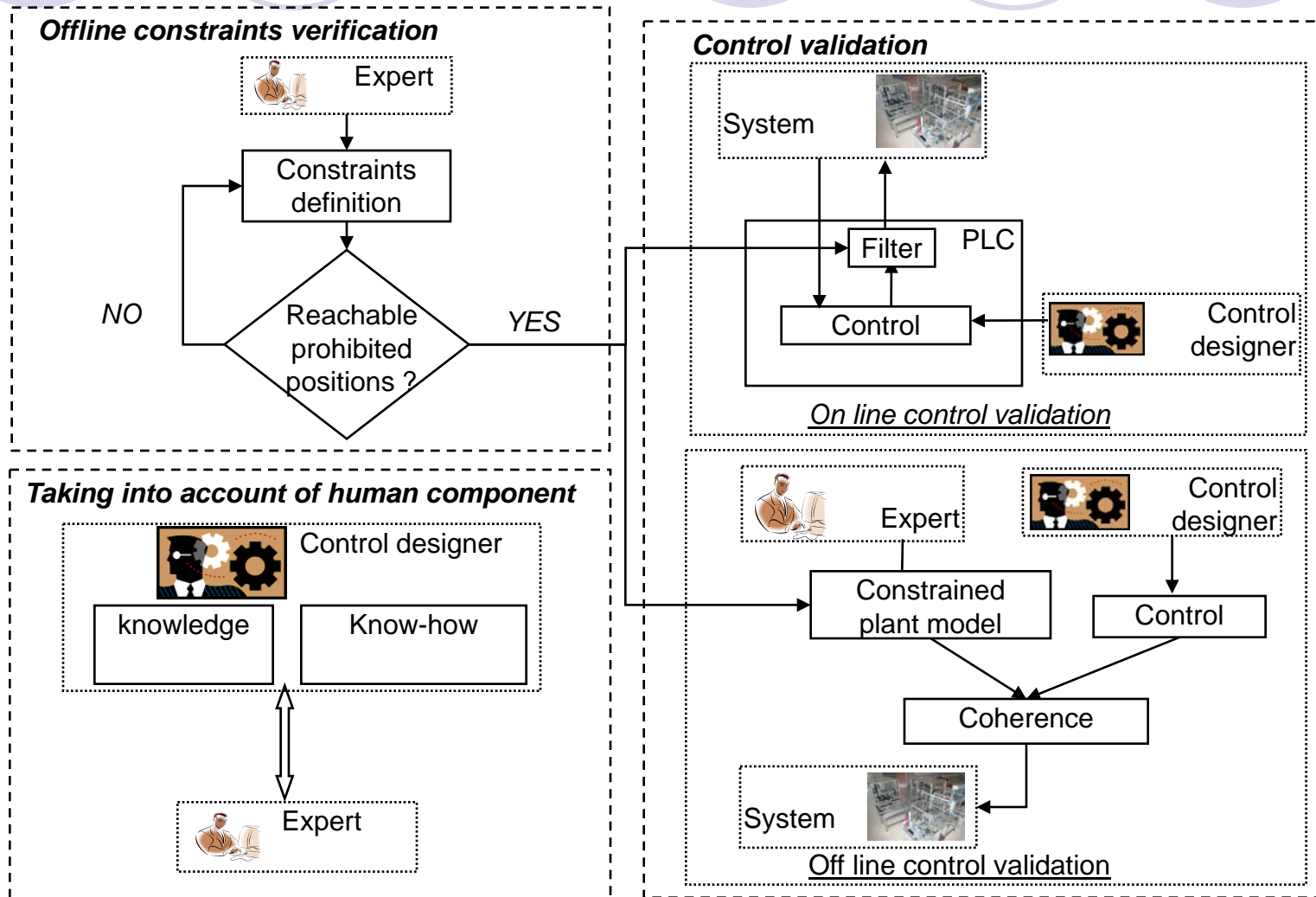
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## Works in the domain - in CReSTIC

- Plant model definition and control designer
  - Global plant model with Boolean automata at level actuator/sensor, doesn't consider the control designer, valves, temporal aspects and simultaneous evolutions
- Explanation generation in the case of errors
  - Verification phase by the expert :
    - The detected error depends of the control
    - The constraints sufficiency isn't verified
  - Validation phase by the control designer :
    - Detection of bad condition transition, bad outputs
    - The analysis requires to be made by an expert
- Approach reliability at the level of system safety
  - Use of the supervisory control theory allows to assure a high reliability
  - Heavy step in models design and combinatory explosion

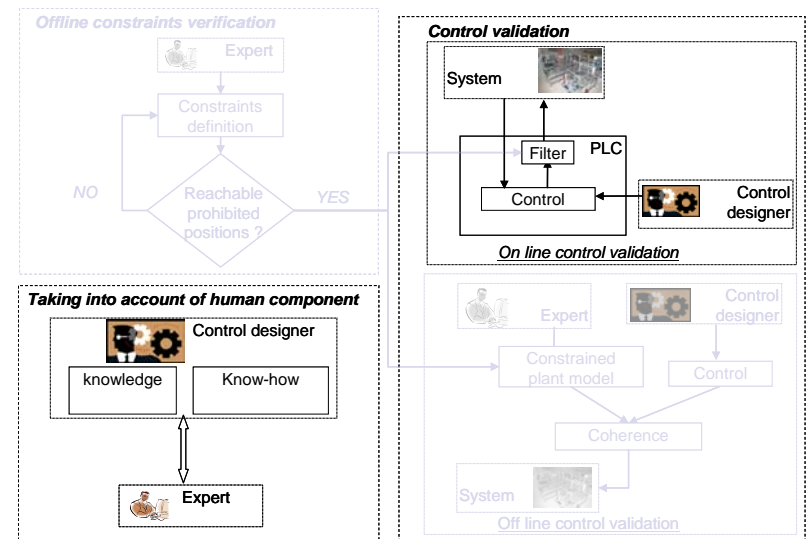
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## Contribution of thesis works



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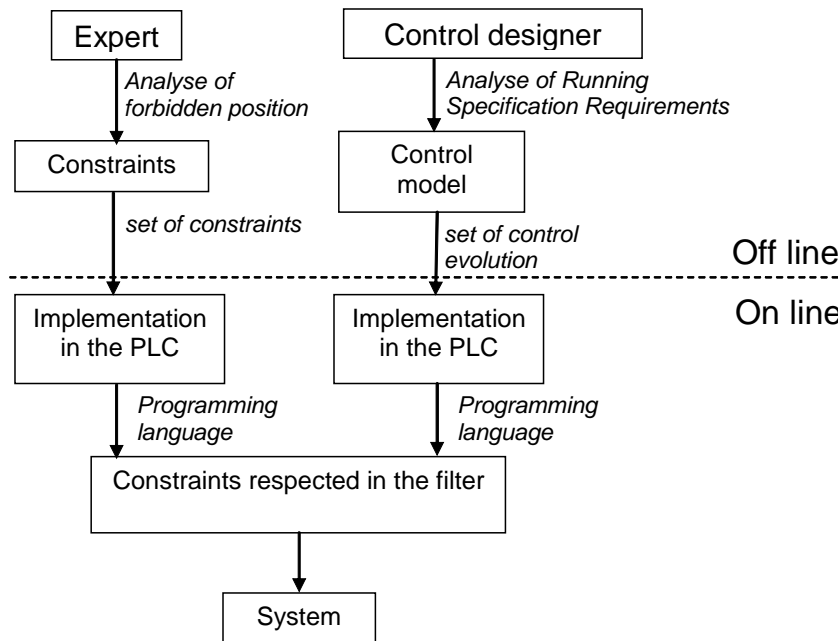
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# Control validation approach by filter

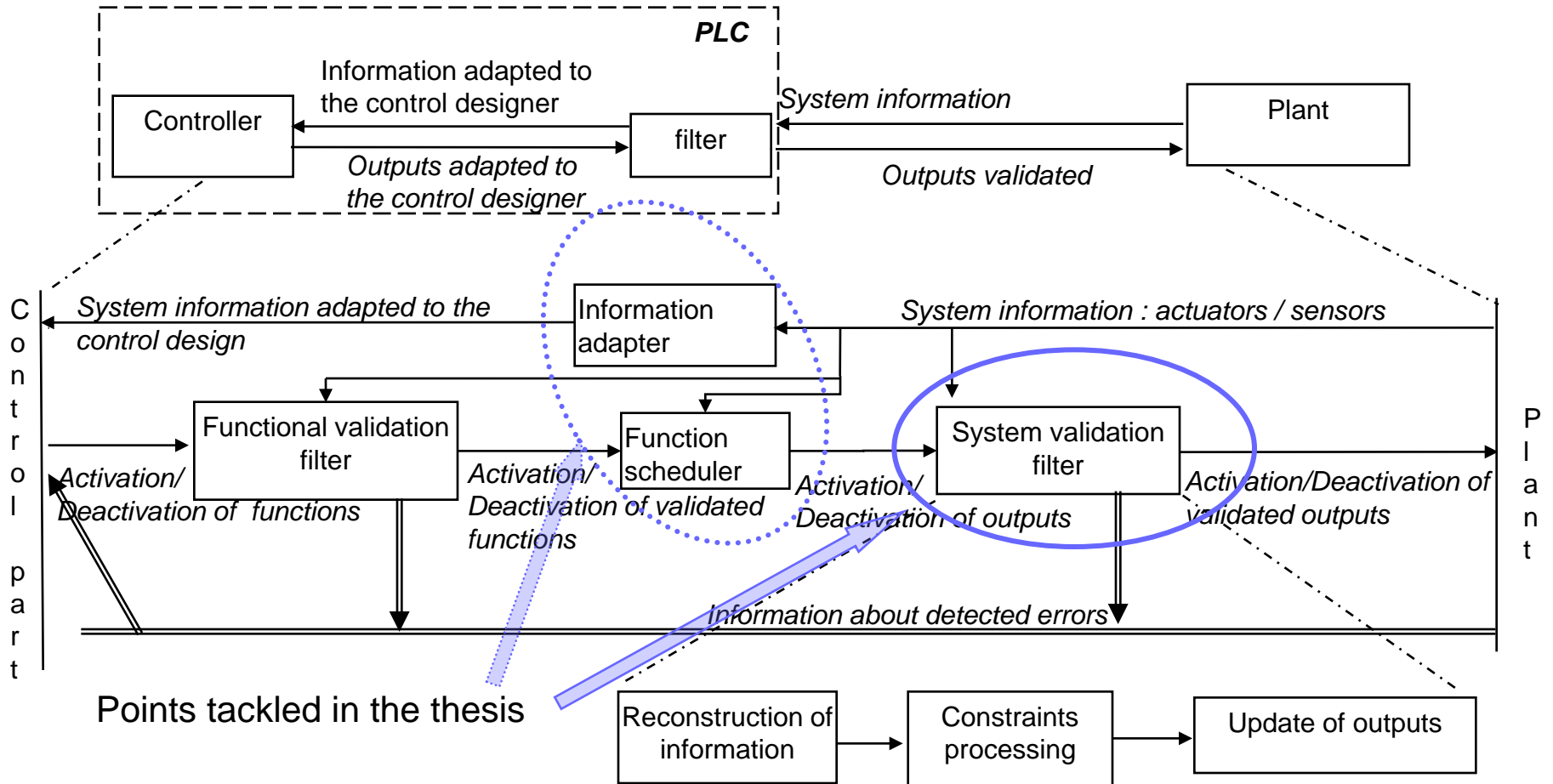
## Definition of filter model

- At each PLC cycle, the control must validate all constraints before turning on outputs



# Control validation approach by filter

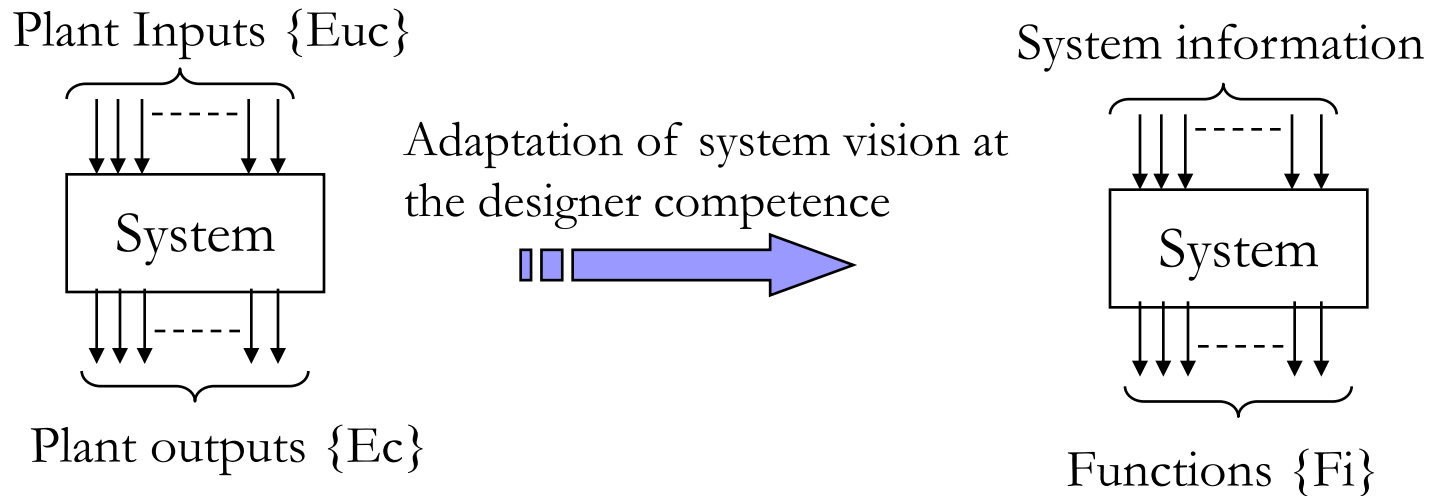
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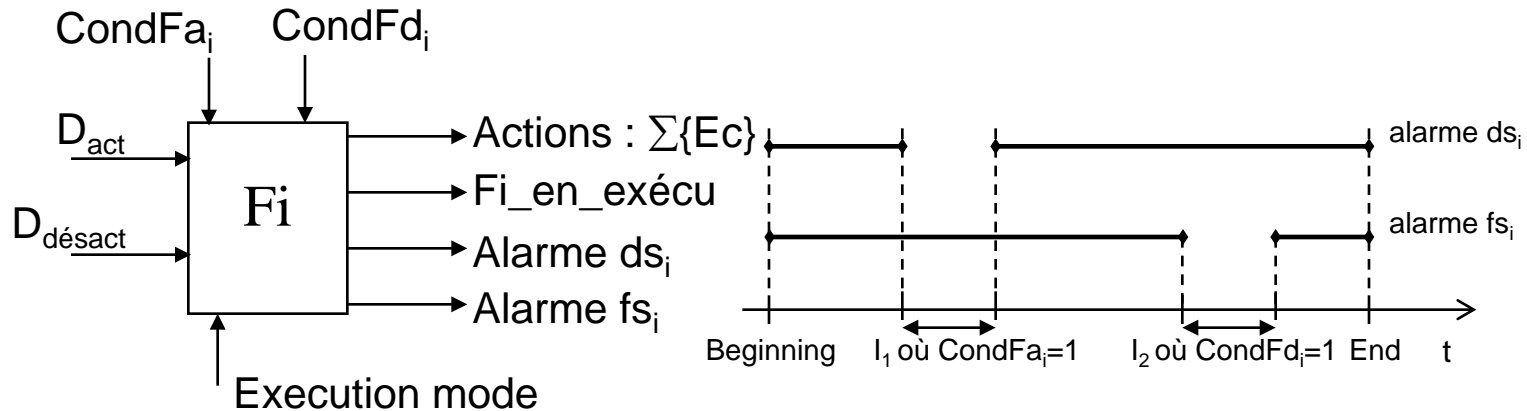
## System adaptation

- Pedagogical case : more motivating working on a real system
- Encapsulation of non adapted control parts
- Adaptation of system vision by functional analyses



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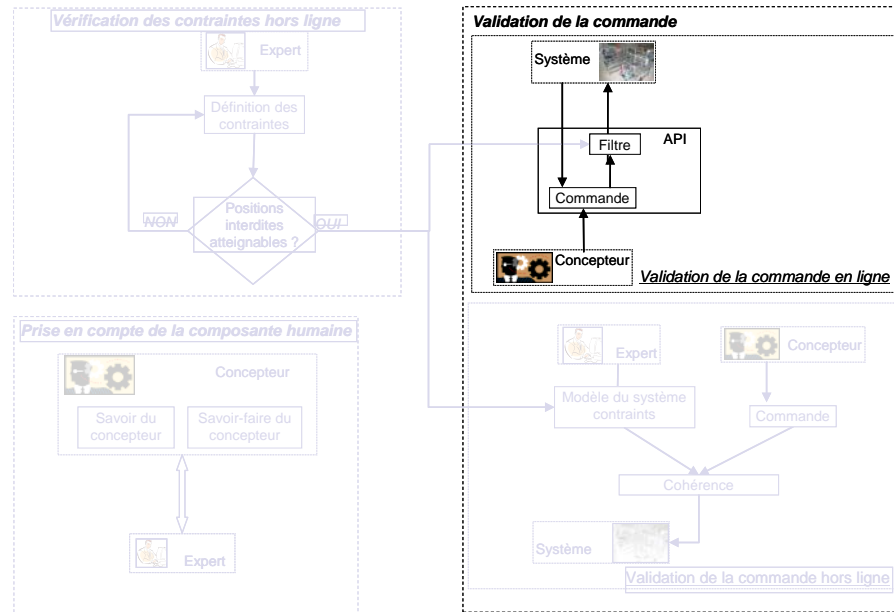
## System adaptation – Function definition



- Designer possibility : to activate or to deactivate a function
- For a great function execution, the activation or deactivation conditions must be respected if not an alarm is set on
- Two execution mode :
  - Semi-automatic mode : control designer manages only the function activation
  - Controlled mode : Control designer must manage the activation and the deactivation of a function, when the conditions become true.
- Hypothesis : the function can't be reactivated on the way

# Control validation approach by filter

## Method to obtain the safety constraints



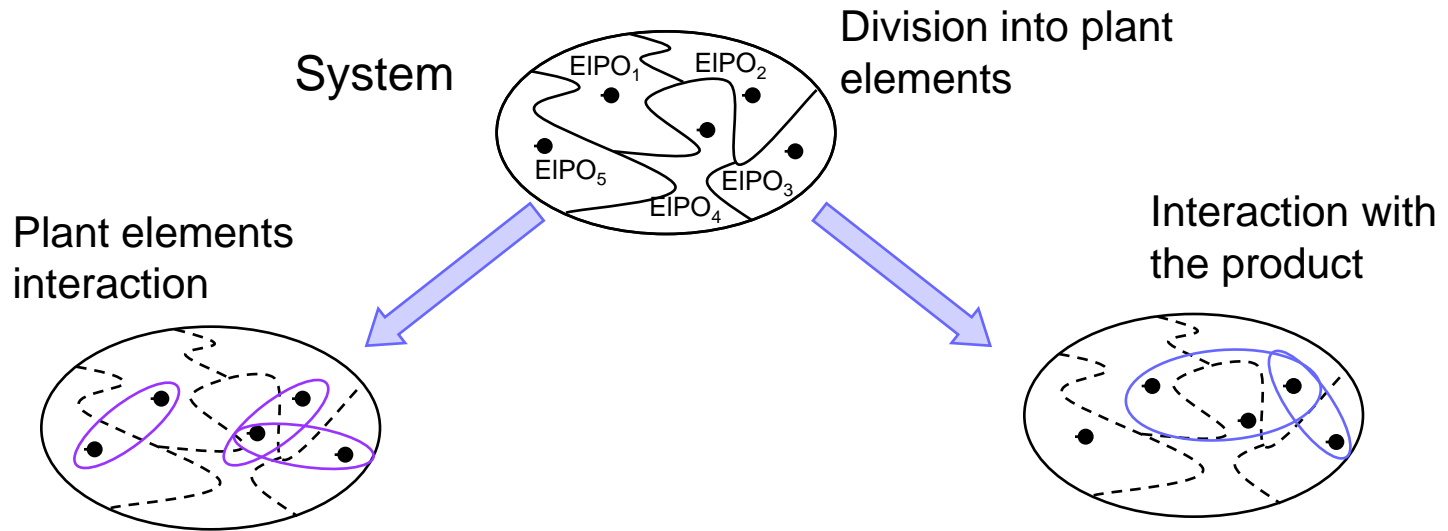
- Control validation during the PLC program execution
- Filter is placed between the plant and the controller
- Definition of logical constraints



# Control validation approach by filter

## Method to obtain the safety constraints

- Some constraints defined by logical equations to safe the system
- Method to define the constraints
  1. Divide the system into plant elements (EIPO)
  2. Definition of plant elements interaction and interaction with the product by structural analysis



3. Definition of constraints for each “bad” situation

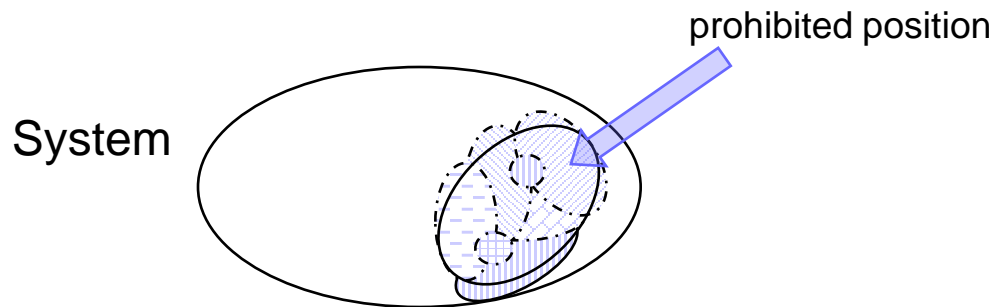
# Control validation approach by filter

## Method to obtain the safety constraints

### 3. Definition of constraints for each situation :

- EIPO independently : allowing to take into account the designer's errors,
- EIPO in interaction : avoid the collisions between EIPO,
- EIPO in interaction with the product : avoid the collisions between the product and EIPO

Use of constraints :



The set of constraints can be more constrained than the prohibited position but it ensures the system safety independently of control

# Control validation approach by filter

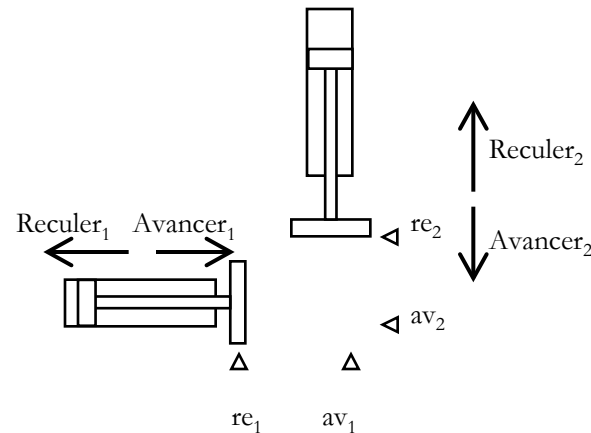
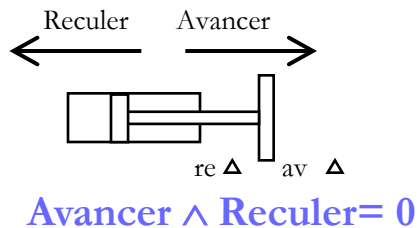
## Method to obtain the safety constraints – Framework (1/3)

- Static Safety Constraints : represent a technical or physical impossibilities :

$$Xc_i \wedge Xc_j = 0$$

Generalization in the case of EIPO interaction :

$$f(Xuc_k) \wedge Xc_i \wedge Xc_j = 0$$



# Control validation approach by filter

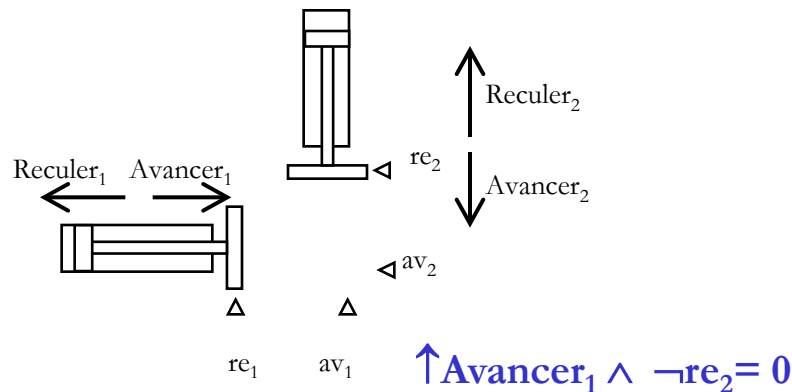
## Method to obtain the safety constraints – Framework (2/3)

- Dynamic Safety Constraints: occurrence of an event which is not compatible with a system situation

- The request of output activation or deactivation when the activation or deactivation conditions aren't true :

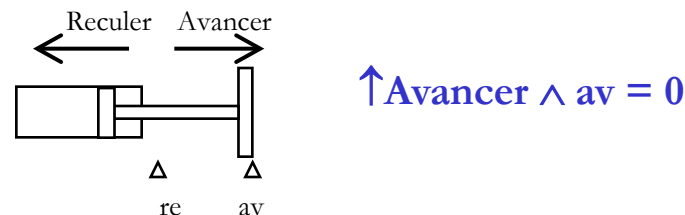
$$\uparrow Ec_i \wedge \neg Conda_j = 0$$

$$\downarrow Ec_i \wedge \neg Condd_j = 0$$



- The request of output activation when the deactivation conditions are true:

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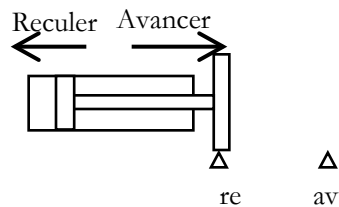


# Control validation approach by filter

## Method to obtain the safety constraints – Framework (3/3)

- Dynamic Safety Constraints: occurrence of an event which is not compatible with a system situation
- The occurrence of deactivation conditions in relation to the output :

$$\uparrow \text{Condd}_j \wedge Xc_i = 0$$



$$\text{Avancer} \wedge \uparrow \text{av} = 0$$

# Control validation approach by filter

## Method to obtain the safety constraints – Explanations

- Automatic explanation generation
  - Static safety constraint :  
Interdiction to send at the same time two outputs
  - Dynamic safety constraint :
    - The request of output activation or deactivation when the activation or deactivation conditions aren't true :  
Interdiction to send this output if the conditions aren't true
    - The request of output activation when the deactivation condition are true :  
The outputs activation does not have any effects on the system
    - The occurrence of deactivation conditions in relation to the output :  
The outputs must be deactivated when the deactivation conditions are true

Some constraints can be set but will lose their explanatory power

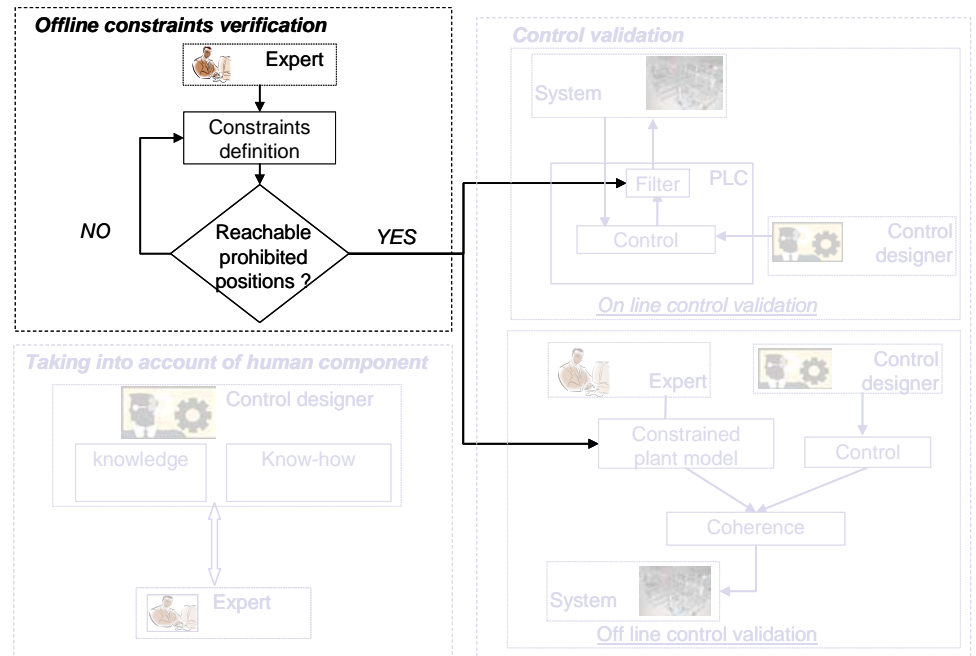
# Control validation approach by filter

## Discussion

- Taking into account the control designer :
  - The expert defines functions to adapt the system to the control designer
  - Functional analysis of system
  - Encapsulation of programming part non adapted and execution mode : semi-automatic or controlled
- Explanations generation in the case of error :
  - Constraints definition by logical equations linked to an explanation
  - The explanations aren't taken into account designer knowledge
- Approach reliability at the level of system safety :
  - Structural analysis of system
  - Constraints definition is a difficult task. The proposed framework isn't a formal method

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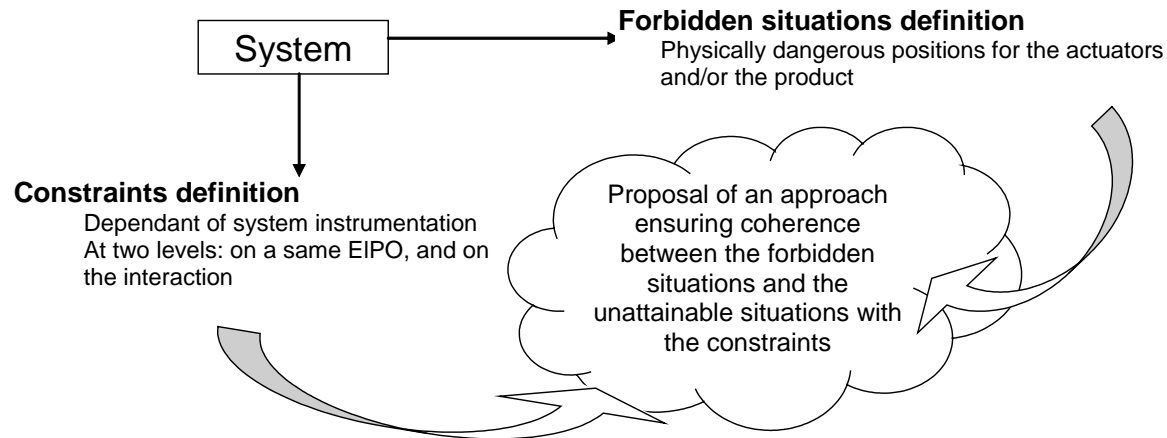




# Safety constraints verification

## Problematic

- The expert defines on the one hand the prohibited situations and on the other hand the constraints

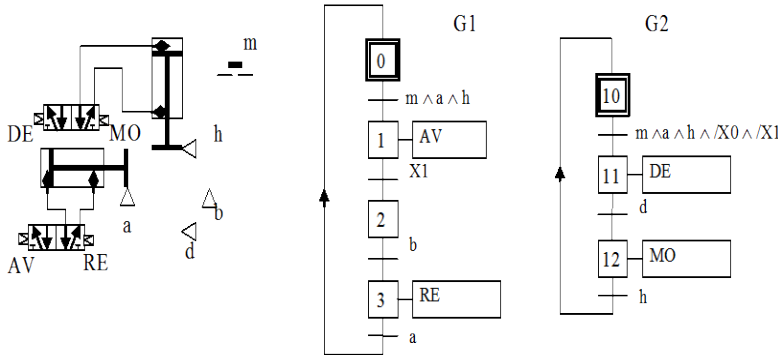
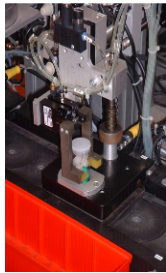


- Are we sure that the constraints are sufficient to avoid dangerous positions?
- Constraints verification for an interaction between EIPO and with the product

# Safety constraints verification

## Problematic – Execution on a real system

- Taking into account the PLC cycle time
  - According to PLC cycle time, it is possible to have a collision between EIPO



**These constraints aren't sufficient**

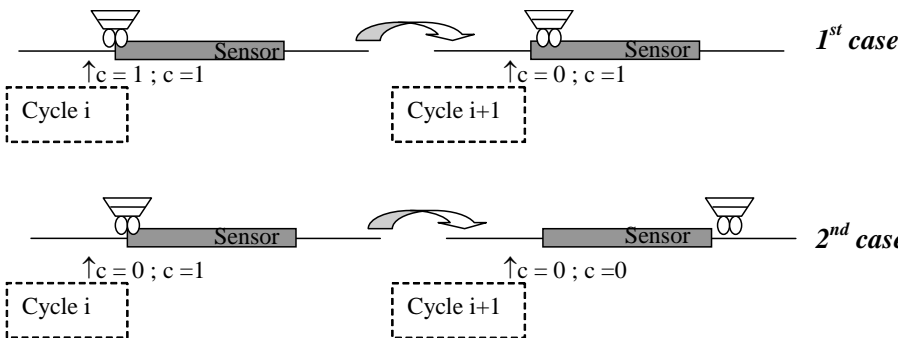
Constraints :

$$Av\_auto \wedge \neg h\_auto = 0$$

$$De\_auto \wedge \neg a\_auto = 0$$

$$Av\_auto \wedge De\_auto = 0$$

- Presence of inertia in the system



The causality delays and the inertia effects must be taken into account in the verification

Hypothesis : “long” contact sensors

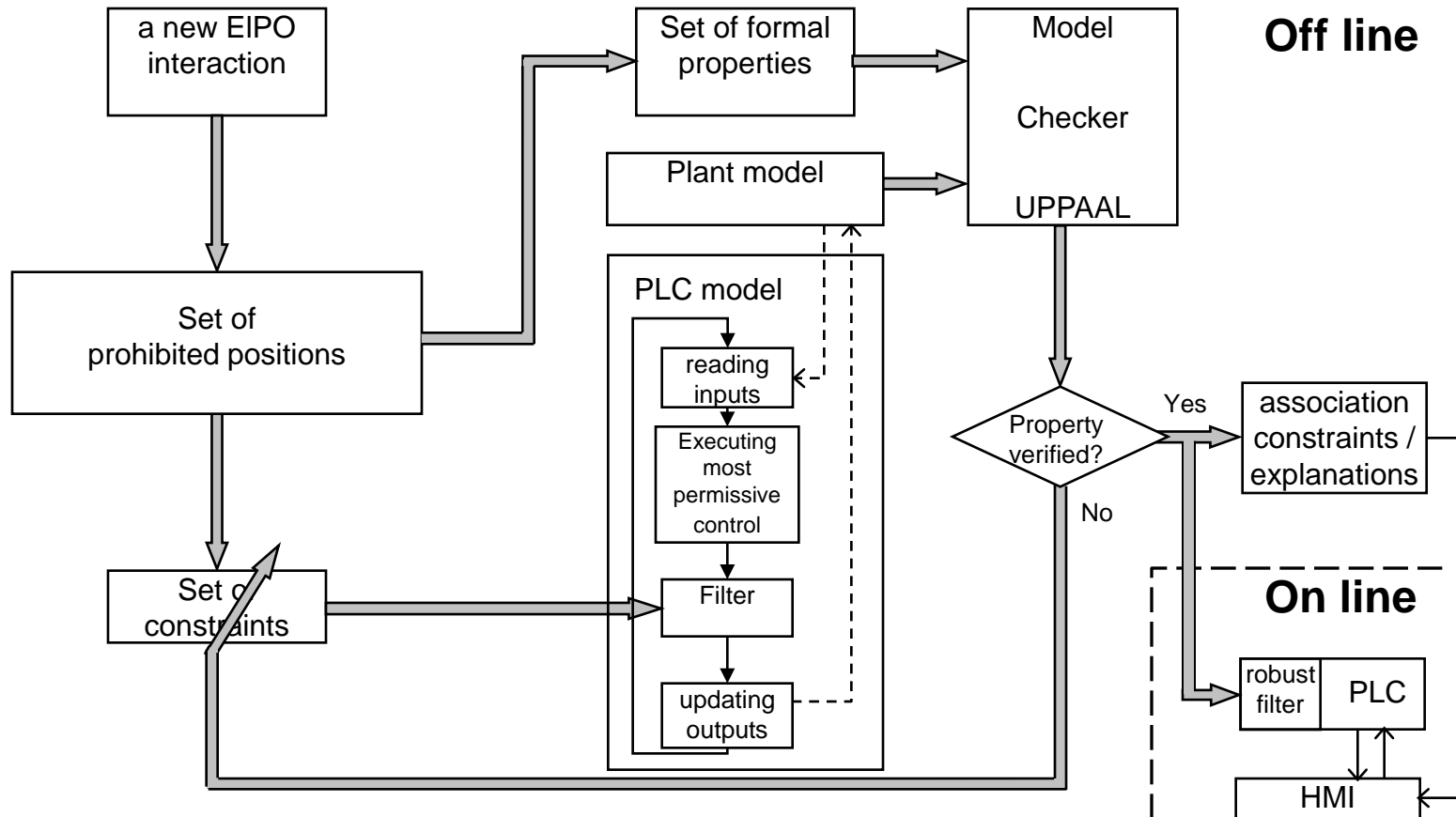
# Safety constraints verification

## Verification approach

- Use the same steps that for the constraints definition
- The constraints set of each interaction is verified independently from each other
- Modeling only EIPO concerned in the interaction
- Step:
  1. Regroup of the constraints by interaction
  2. Seek in the library, if the constraints set has already been verified
  3. Verify the constraints sufficiency
  4. Verify the constraints requirement
  5. Update the constraints library

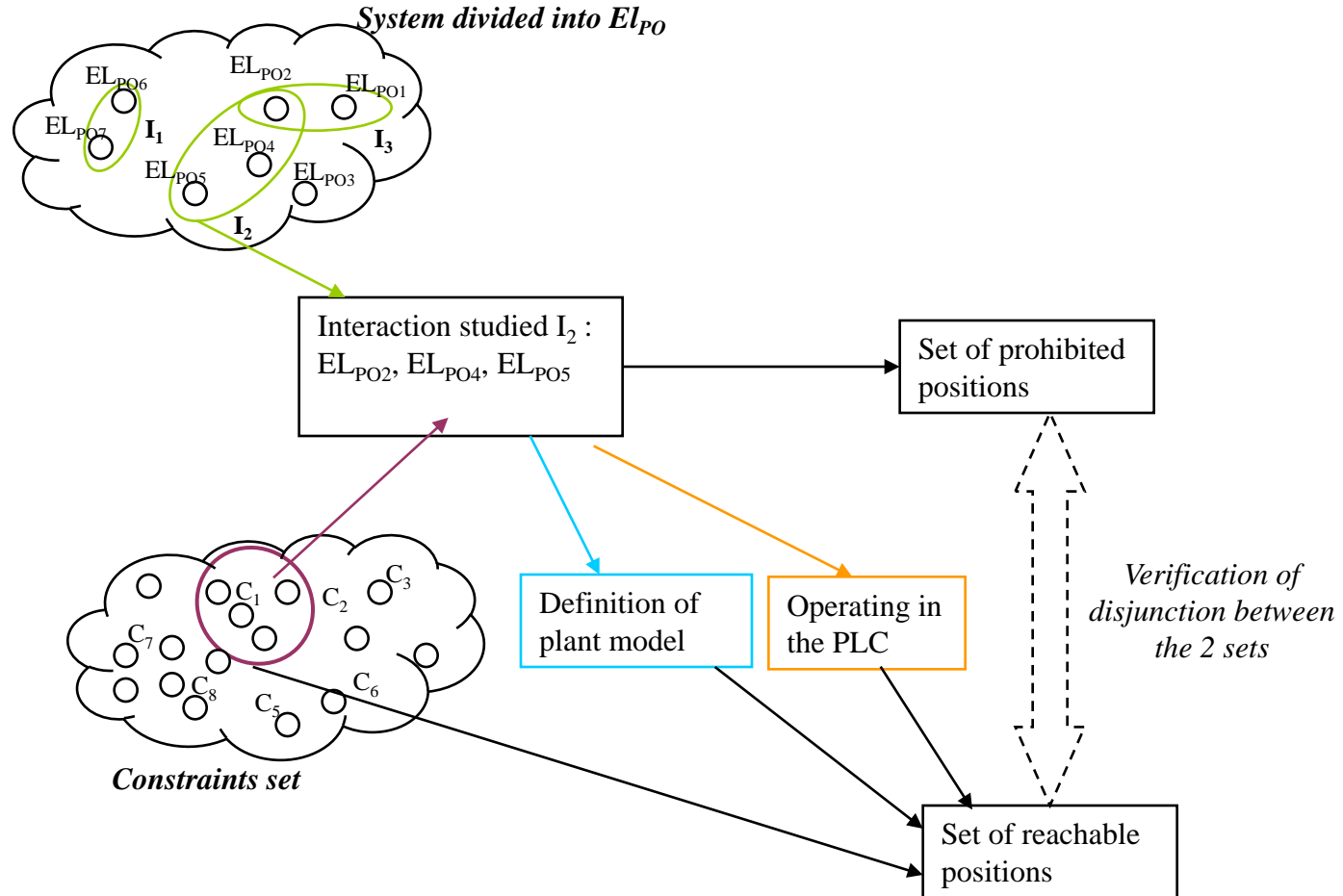
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## Verification approach - Steps



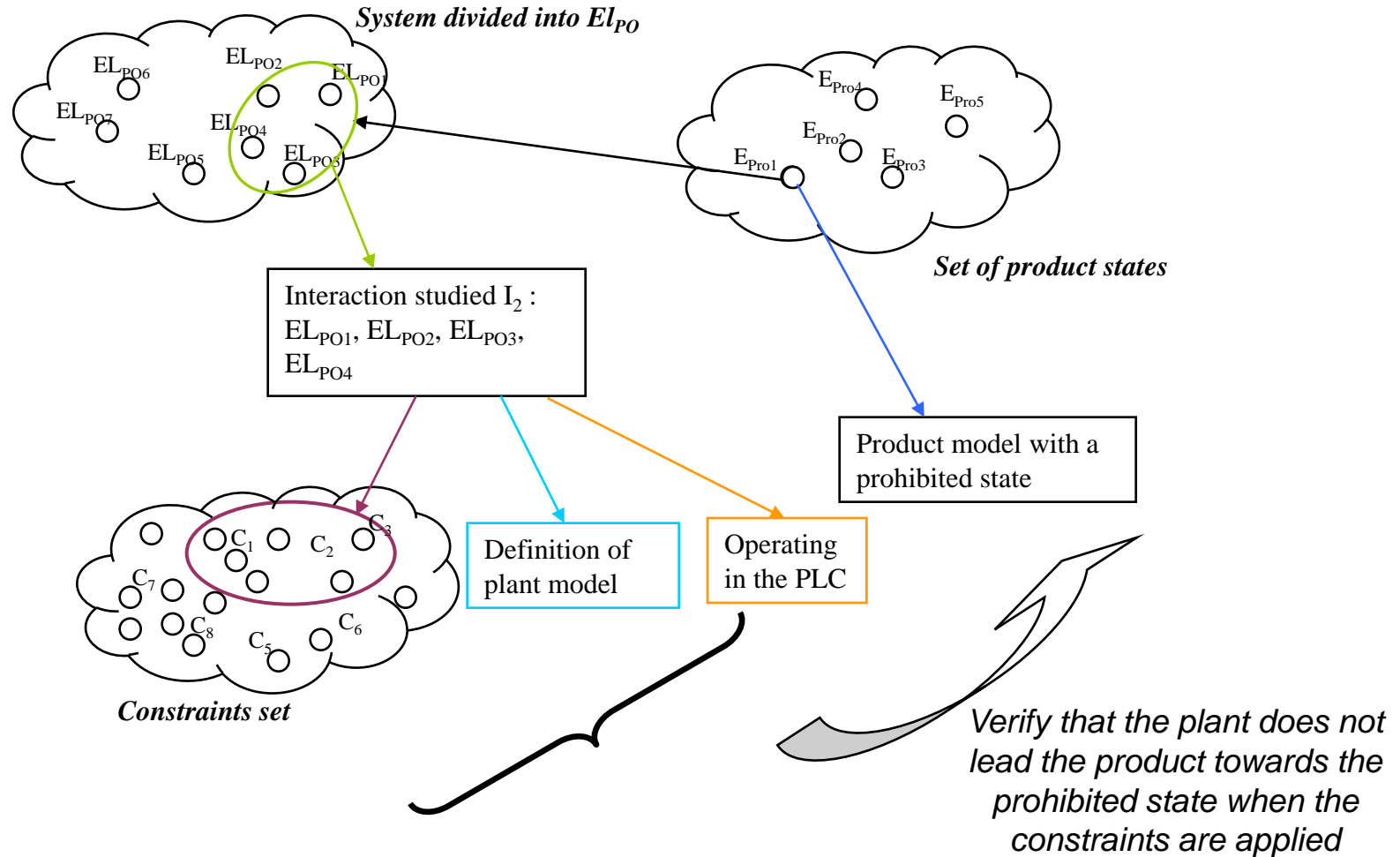
# Safety constraints verification

## Verification approach – Interaction between ELPO



# Safety constraints verification

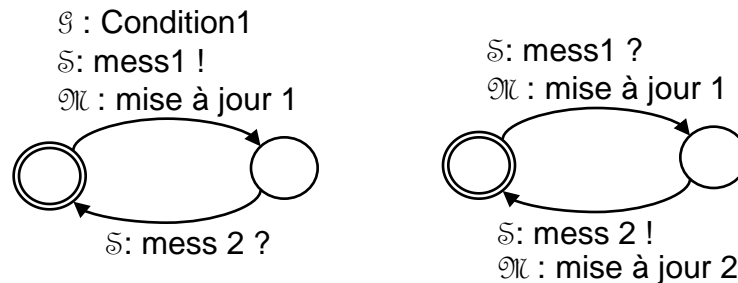
## Verification approach – Interaction with the product



# Safety constraints verification

## System model – Works context

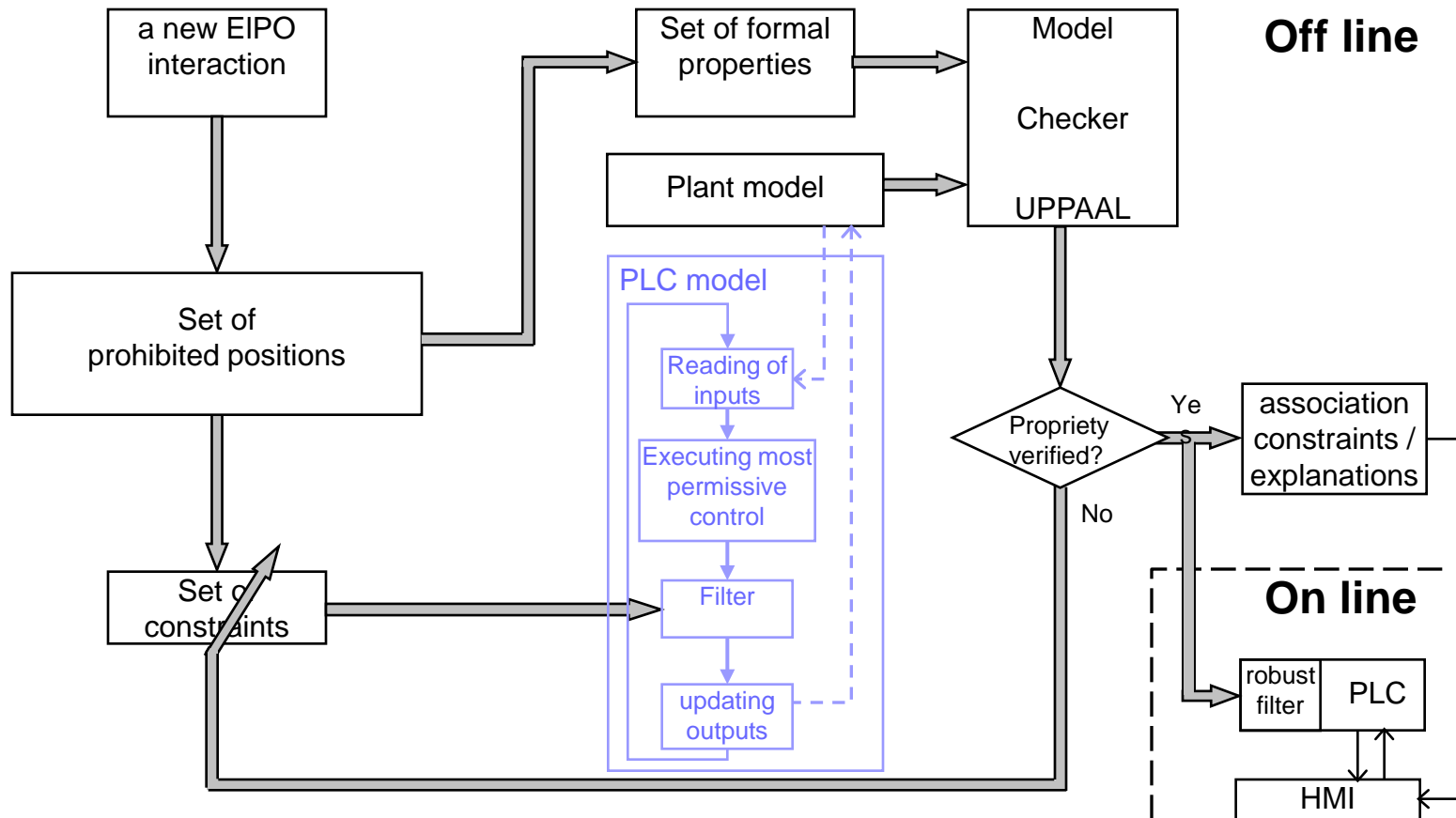
- The system {Plant, controller, Product, computing environment} is modeled in modular way for each plant element and each product
- Communicating automaton (Julliand, 2003)



- The modeling is performed with a PLC point of view. So, we consider the cyclic operating and response time that leads to simultaneous evolution at the plant and controller levels
- Work hypotheses
  - All evolution are observable by the PLC
  - Possibilities of simultaneous evolution  $E_c$ ,  $E_{uc}$  for the PLC,
  - Causality time delay, taking into account inertia,
  - Verification in the worst case: Output updating has an effect on the system

# Safety constraints verification

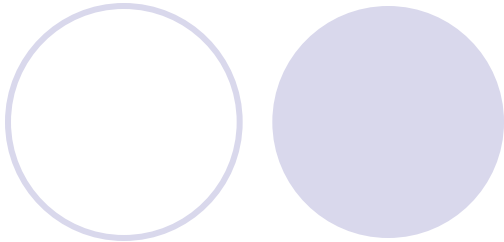
## System model



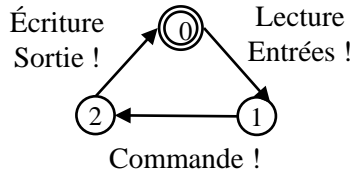


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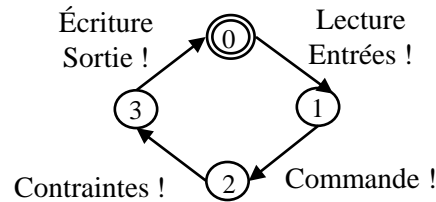
## System model – Environment model



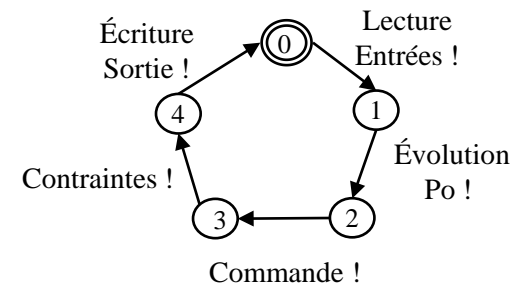
Classical PLC operation



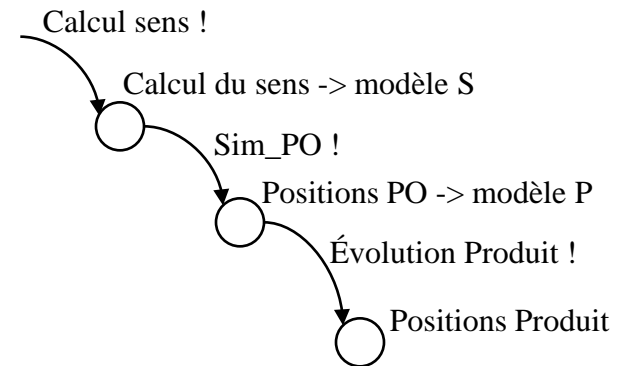
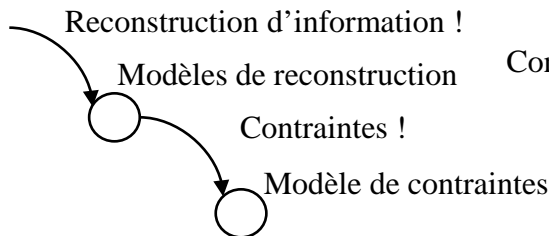
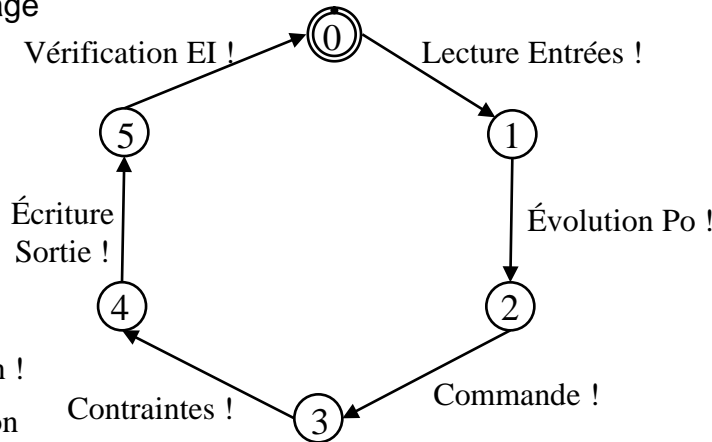
PLC operation taking into account the filter



PLC operation managing the plant evolution



PLC operation with the verification stage



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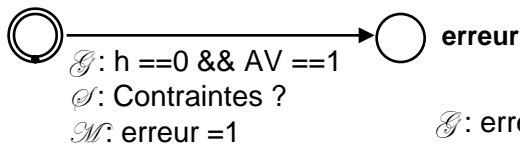
## System model – Environment model

- Variables used in the different models

		PLC variables	System variables
Reading model		L	
Plant model	Direction model		Sens
	Positions model		Pos
	Product model		Pro
Outputs model		C	
Model of constraints evolution	Reconstruction model	R	
	Constraints model	Cont	
Writing model			S
Verification model			V

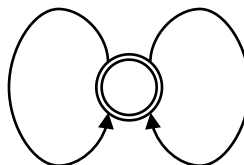
- Reading, Updating, Constraints models

### Constraints model



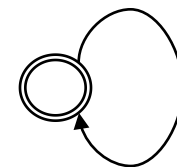
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 $\mathcal{M}: AV=0, RE=0, DE=0, MO=0$

### Updating model



$\mathcal{G}: \text{erreur} = 0$   
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 $\mathcal{M}: AV=AV\_auto, RE=RE\_auto, DE=DE\_auto, MO=MO\_auto$

### Reading model

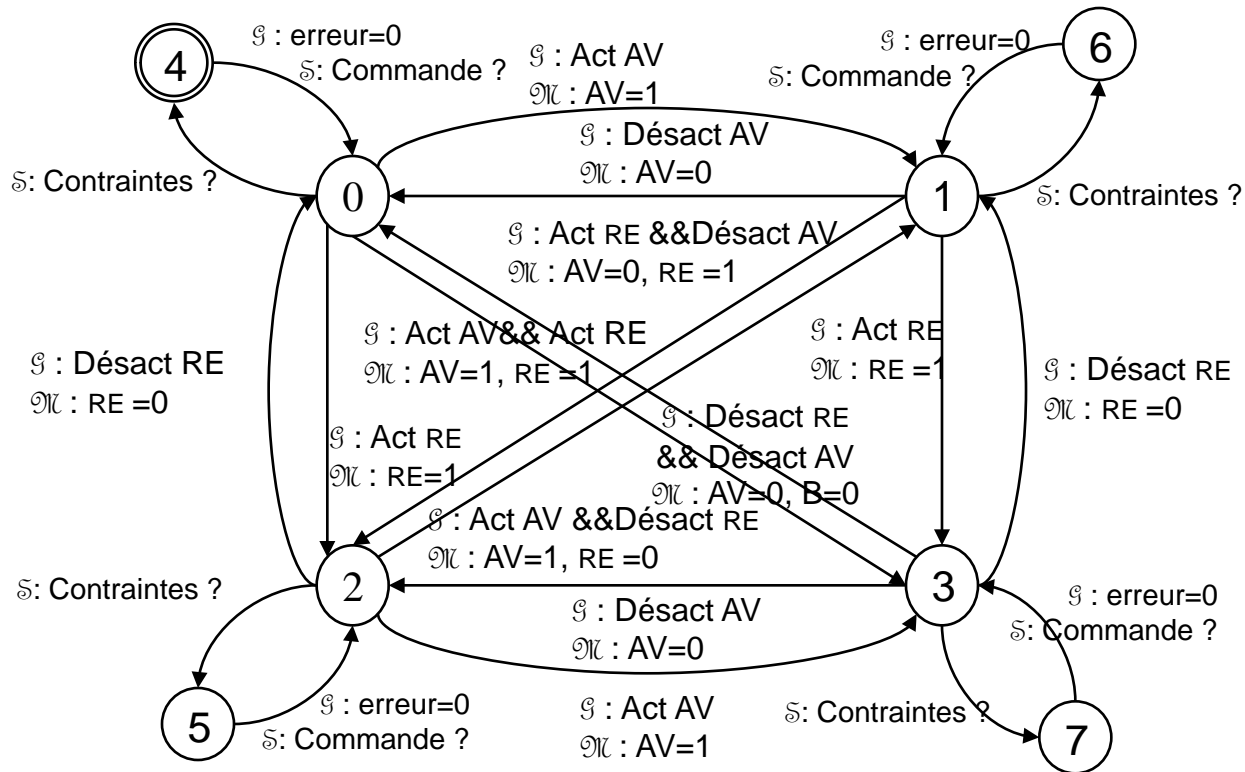


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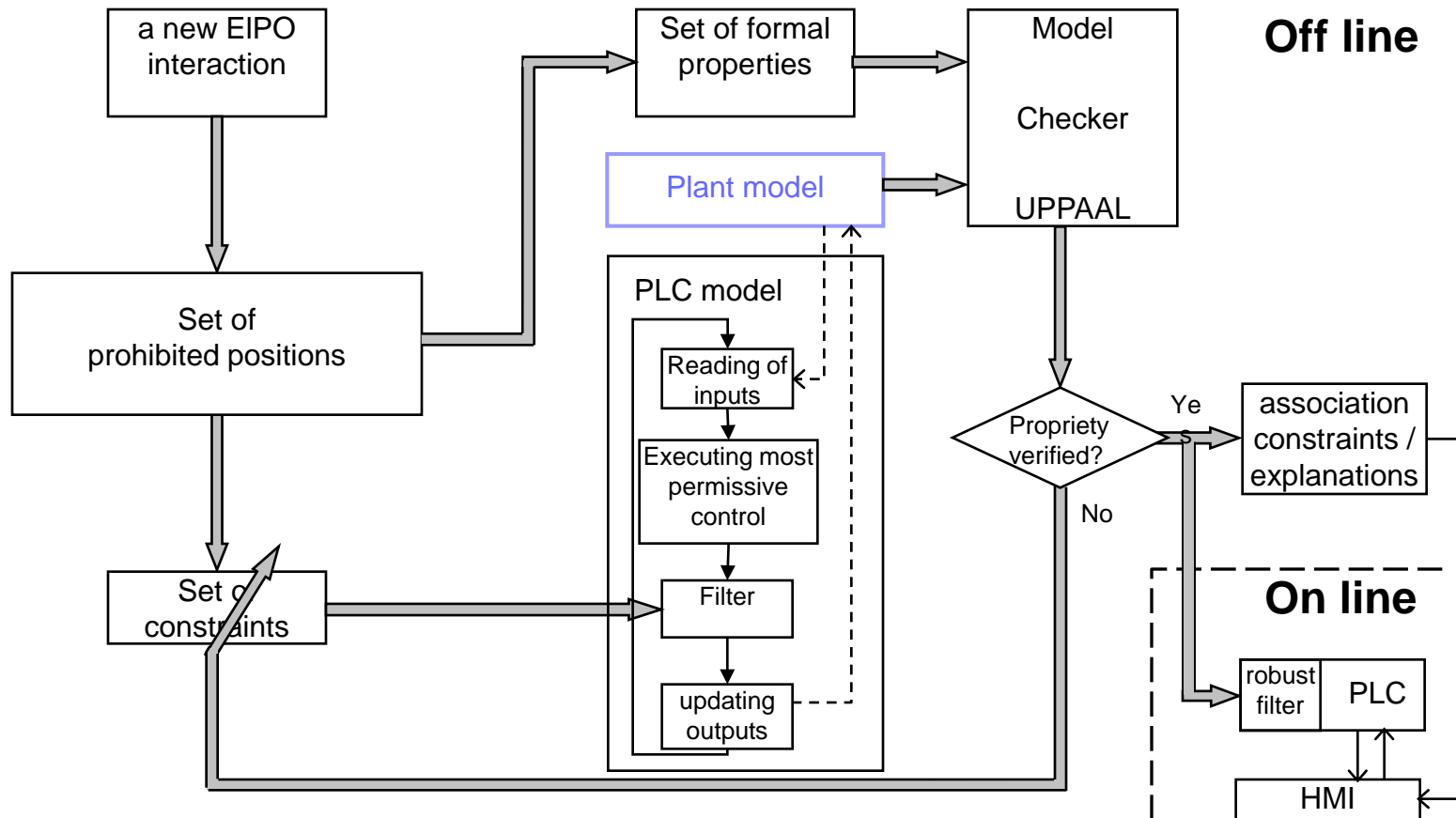
## System model – Outputs model

- Represent the most permissive control of EIPO
- Case of a double effect cylinder (AV, RE) piloted by a valve 5/2 with 2 sensors (a, r)



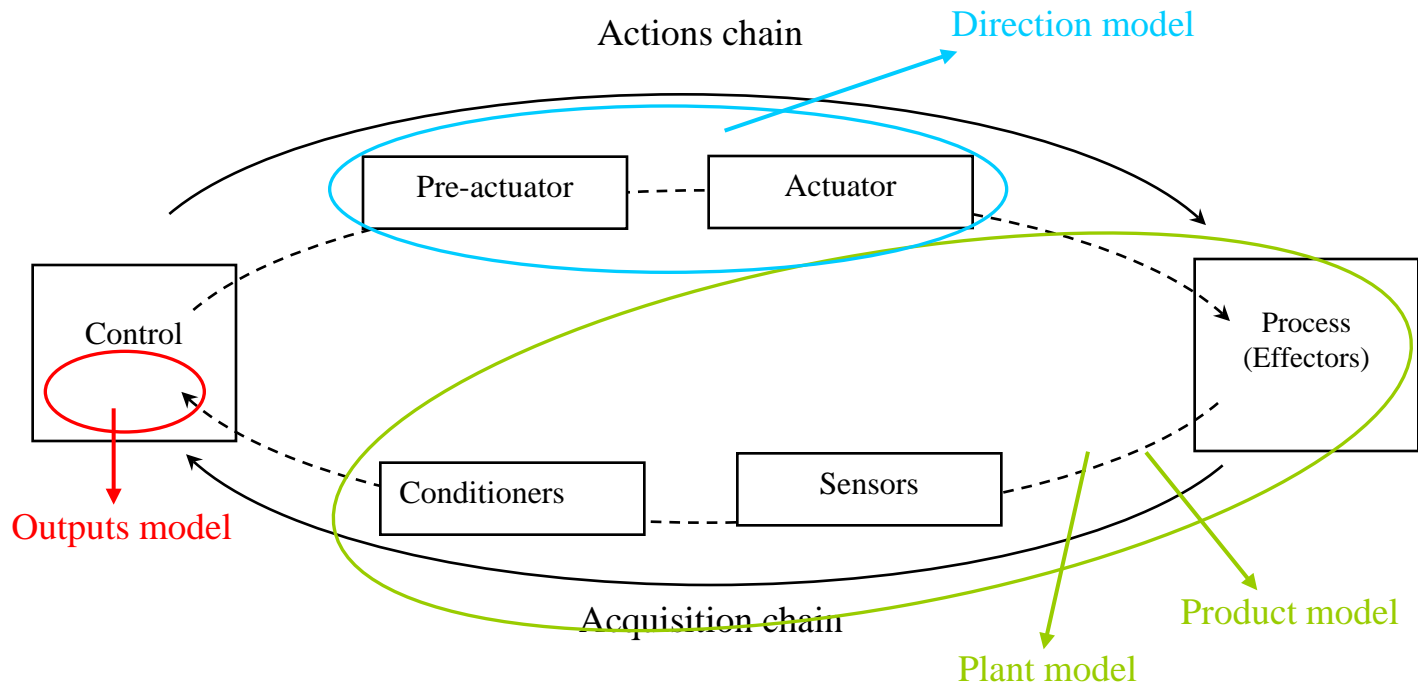
# Safety constraints verification

## System model



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## System model – Functional chain



# Safety constraints verification

## System model – Direction model

- To take into account the EIPO technology
- To model the inertia effects and causality delay

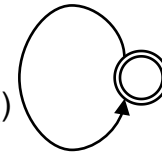
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int Force()
{
  if((A&&!B)==1) {F=F+f;}
  if(!A&&B==1) {F=F-f;}

  if (F>fmax){F=fmax;}
  if (F<-fmax){F=-fmax;}
  return(F);
}

bool sensp()
{
  Sp=(F≥frp)?1:0;
  return(Sp);
}

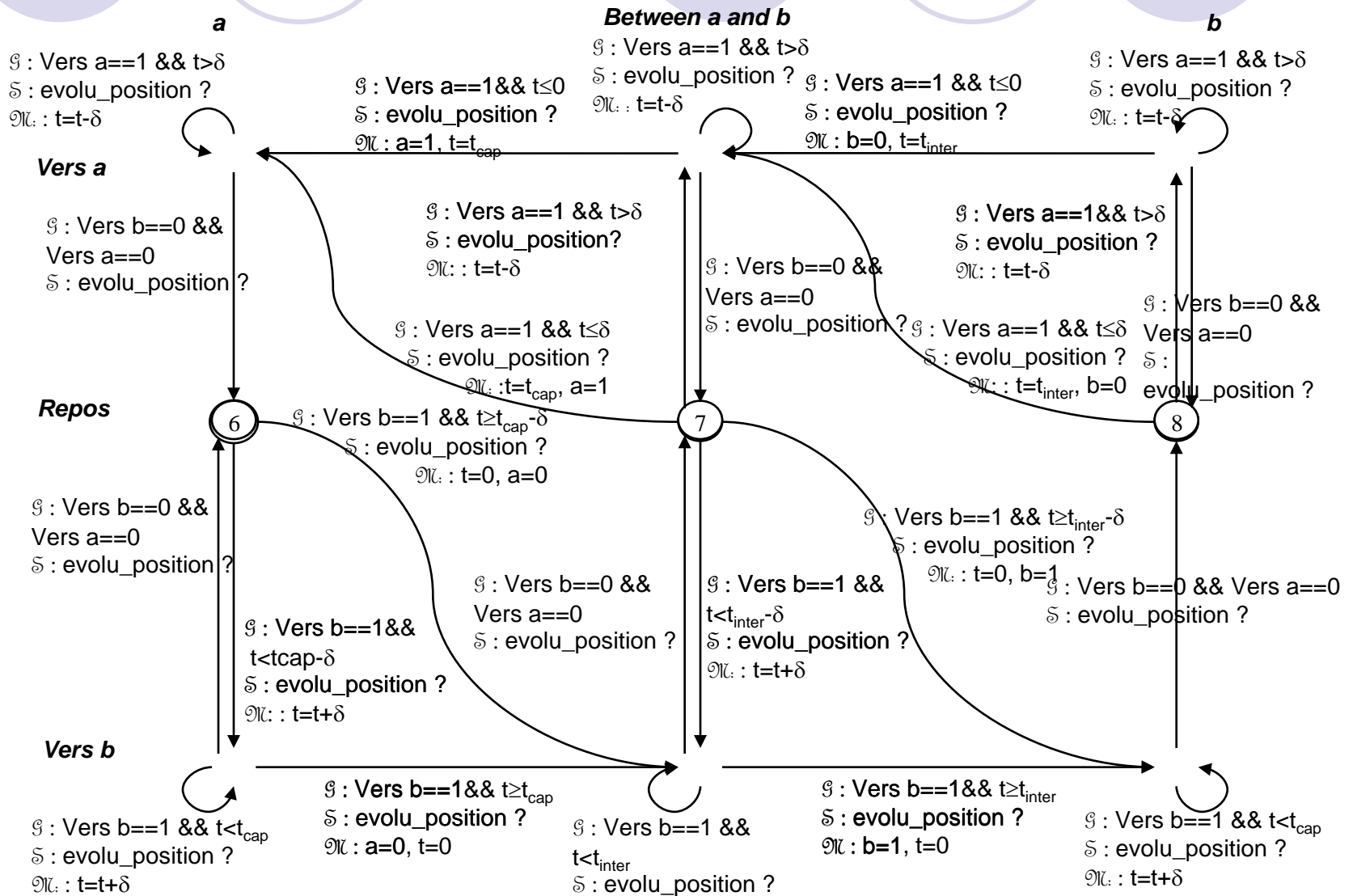
bool sensm()
{
  Sm=(F≤frm)?1:0;
  return(Sm);
}
```

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Sensp (), Sensm()



# Safety constraints verification

## System model – Positions model



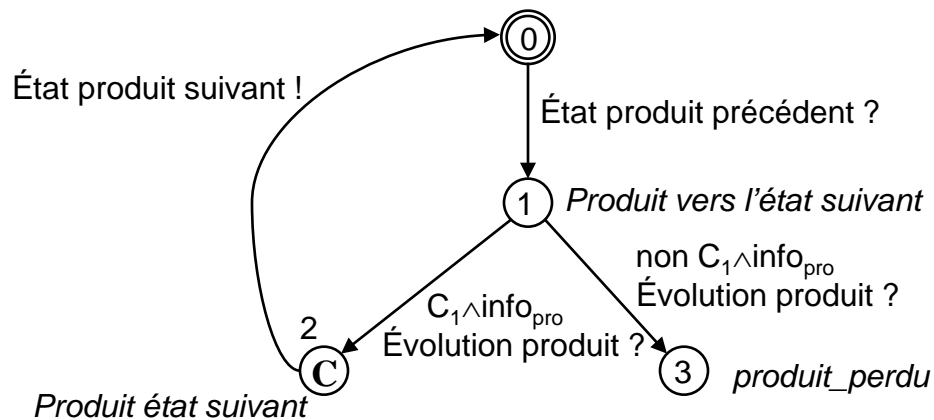
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## System model – Product model

- To model the product evolution according to the plant positions
- Product evolution



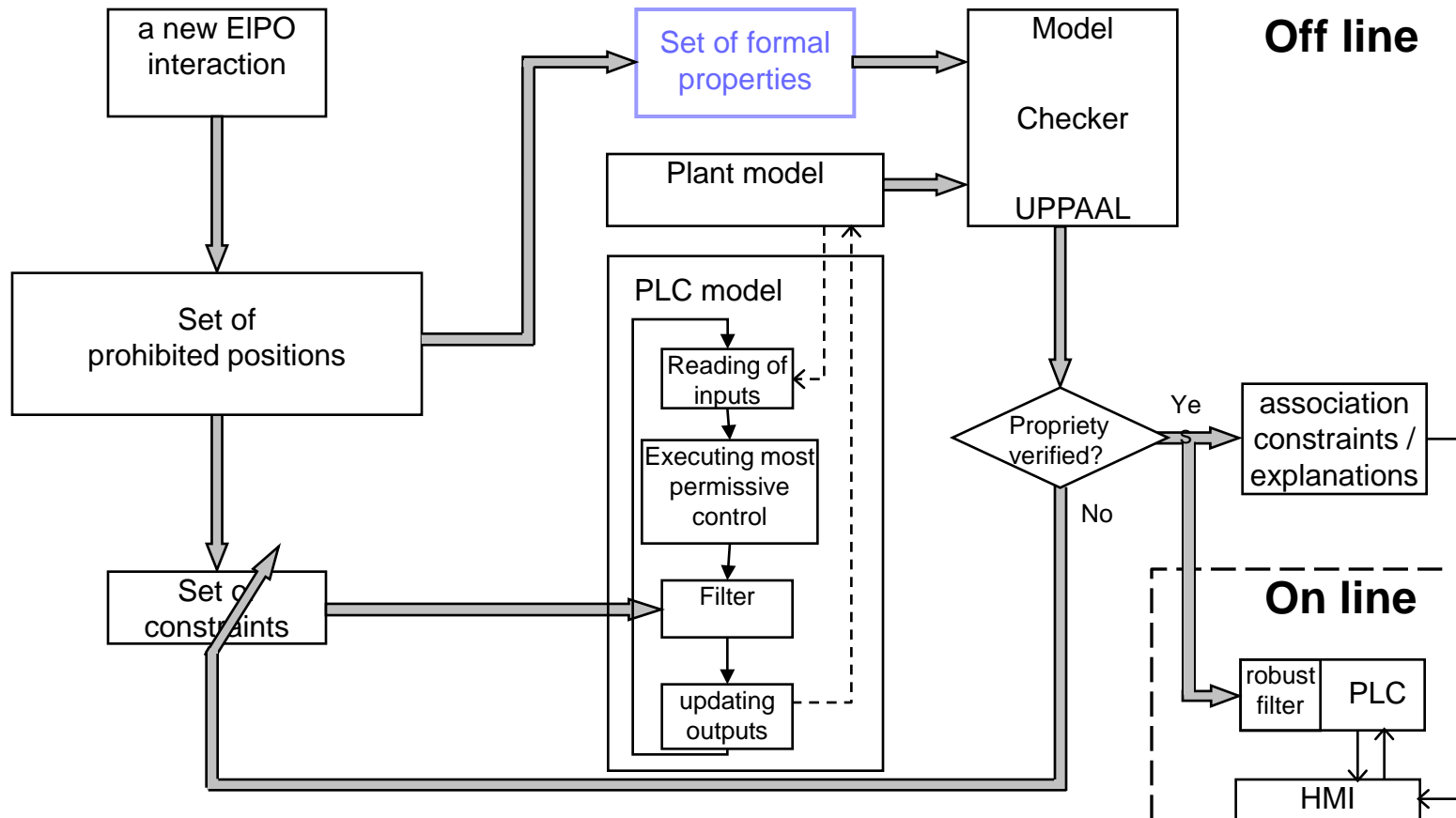
- Product model





# Safety constraints verification

## System model



# Safety constraints verification

## System model – Verification model

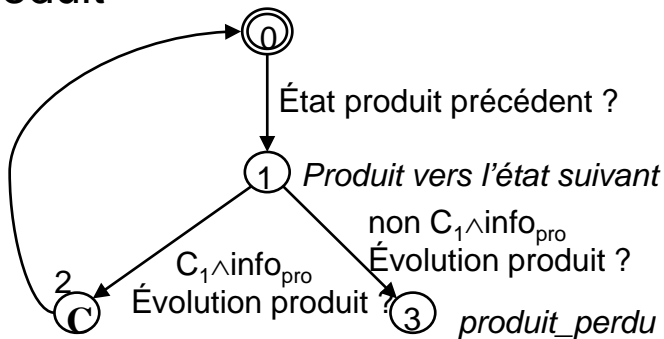
- For an interaction between EIPO :

$P1 : A[] \text{ not}(\text{Verif.erreur})$

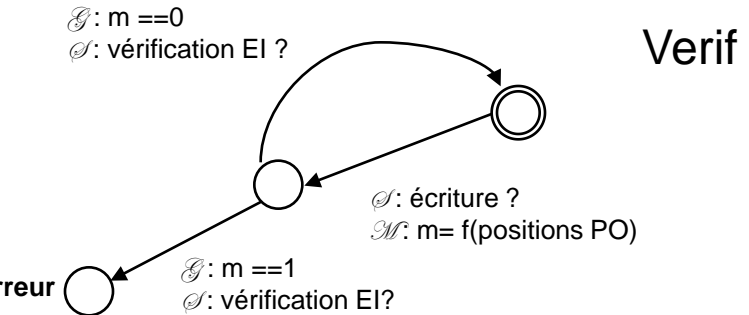
- For an interaction with the product :

Etat\_produit

État produit suivant !



Produit état suivant



$P2 : A[] \text{ not}(\text{Etat\_produit.produit\_perdu})$

The definition of the formal properties is simple because there are few EIPO considered in interaction

# Safety constraints verification

## System model – Animation

### Constraints

$$AV\_auto \wedge \neg h\_auto = 0$$

$$DE\_auto \wedge \neg a\_auto = 0$$

$$AV\_auto \wedge DE\_auto = 0$$

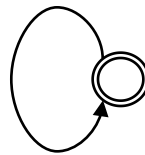
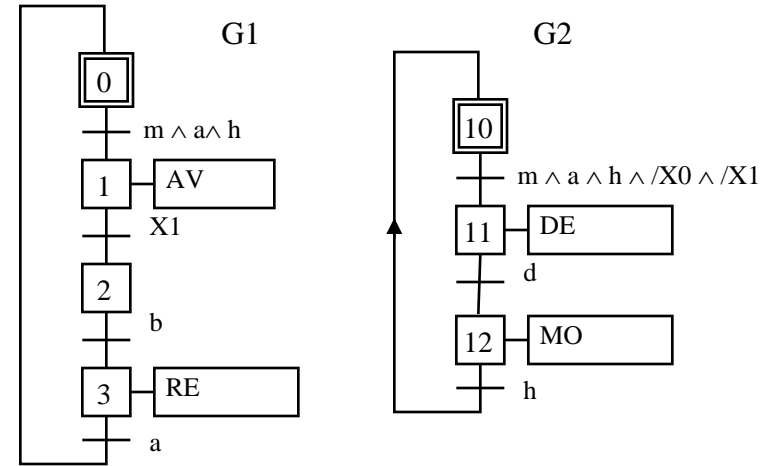
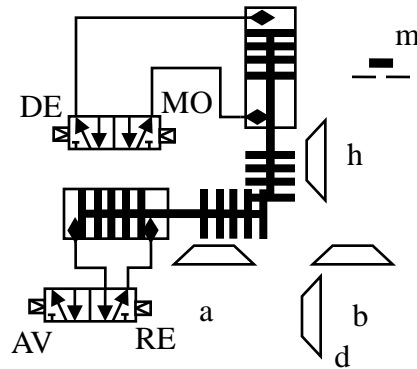
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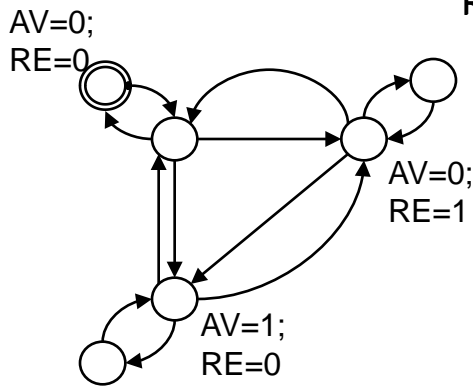
Or

$$\downarrow AV\_auto \wedge \neg b\_auto = 0$$

$$\downarrow DE\_auto \wedge \neg d\_auto = 0$$



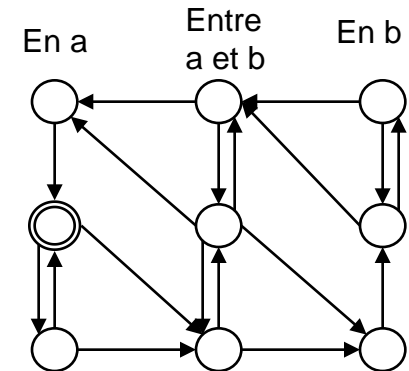
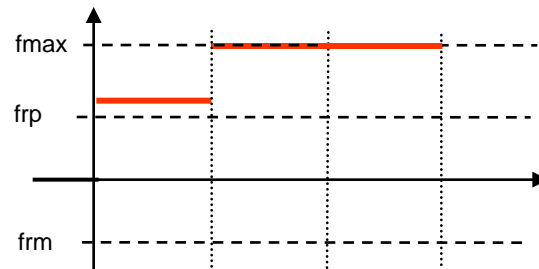
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$AV=0; RE=0$

$AV=0; RE=1$

$AV=1; RE=0$



Position model

# Safety constraints verification

## Discussion

- Verification approach
  - Formal verification of constraints
  - Using of model checker (UPPAAL)
- Plant model
  - The outputs, direction and positions models proposed are generic,
  - The change of EIPO technology modifies only the direction model
  - Taking into account the product presence doesn't increase the complexity of the plant model.
  - Definition of the product models can be a difficult task

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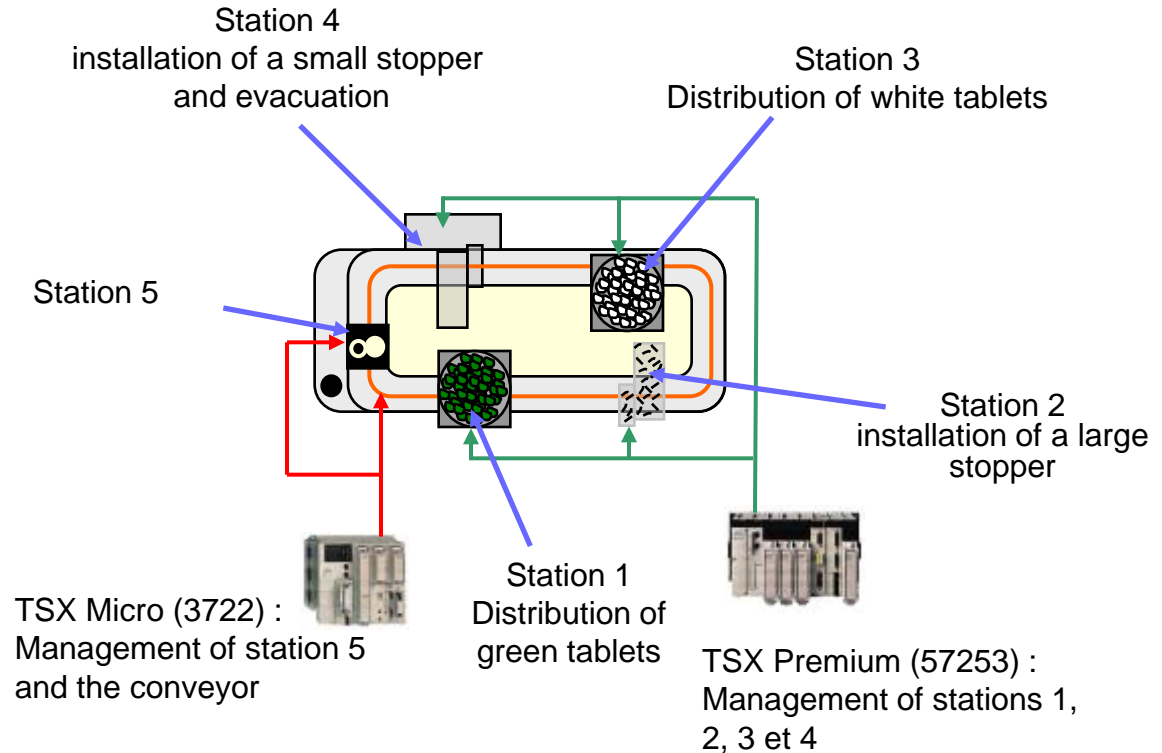
# Pedagogical applications

## Context

- To allow to make control a real system by learners
- To safe system
- To adapt the level difficulty
  
- Real system : Productis machine to illustrate the system adaptability
- Virtual system : ITS PLC to illustrate the verification method

# Pedagogical applications

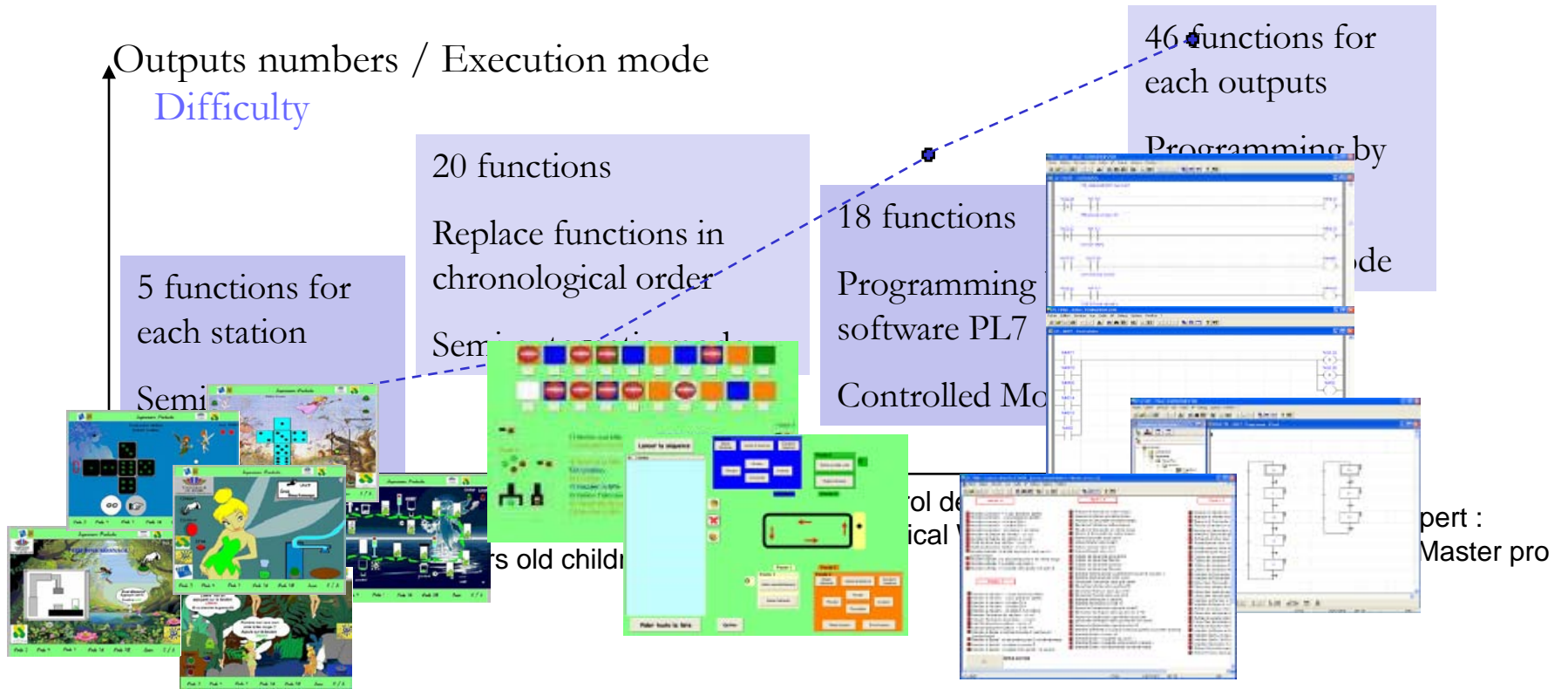
Real system : Productis machine



The system is composed of 46 outputs and 64 inputs

# Pedagogical applications

Real system : Productis machine



96 constraints are required to safe the system



# Pedagogical applications

## Virtual system : Automatic warehouse



	System variables	ITS PLC variables
Transelevator	I0, I1	I0_auto, I1_auto
	O0, O1, O2, O3, O4, O5	O0_auto, O1_auto, O2_auto, O3_auto, O4_auto, O5_auto
Forks	I2, I3, I4, I5	I2_auto, I3_auto, I4_auto, I5_auto
	O6, O7	O6_auto, O7_auto
Entry bay	I6	I6_auto
Exit bay	I7	I7_auto

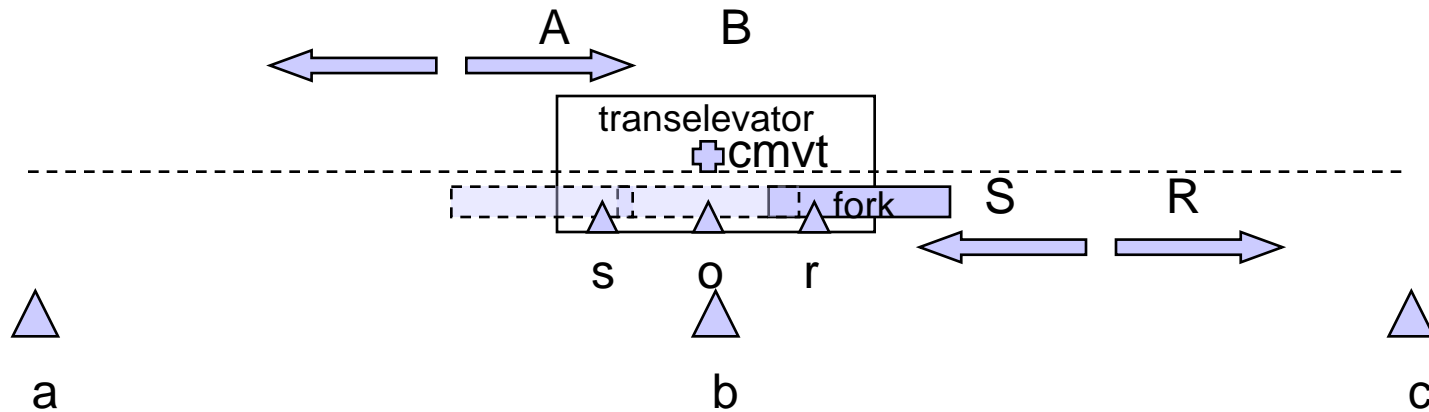
The system is composed of 8 outputs and 8 inputs

This automatic warehouse system is composed of a transelevator, a rack, an entry bay and an exit bay.

The automatic monorail, delivers boxes to the transelevator. The boxes are delivered and retrieved by the forks, followed by an automatic movement of the elevator. The rack is subdivided into 50 cells, which are identified by a number. The monorail retrieves the boxes from the transelevator.

# Pedagogical applications

## Virtual system : Automatic warehouse – Simplification



- The warehouse is reduced to one dimension
- The position  $b$  represents the rack position
- The positions  $a$  and  $c$  represent the entry and exit position
- The forks go out at the position  $s$  to take the product in position  $a$  and to position  $c$  to discharge
- The forks go out at the position  $r$  to take or to discharge the product in the stock (position  $b$ )
- A movement sensor  $cmvt$  measures the warehouse movement

# Pedagogical applications

## Virtual system : Automatic warehouse - System analysis

Functions		Actuators	Possible fault
To manage an automatic warehouse	To supply with box	To go to position $p_{\text{entry}}$	A, B (interaction with S and R) Movement with the forks (PF1) Stopping to intermediate position (PF2)
		To take a product at the entry bay	S (interaction with A and B) (interaction with the product) already a product in the transelevator (PF3) To go out in the bad way (PF4) Transelevator in movement (PF5)
		To go to desired position $p_i$	A, B (interaction with S and R) (PF1, PF2)
		To put the product to the rack	R (interaction with A and B) (interaction with the product) already a product in the rack (PF6) (PF4, PF5)
	To discharge box	To go to desired position $p_i$	A, B (interaction with S and R) (PF1, PF2)
		To put the product to the rack	R (interaction with A and B) interaction with the product (PF3, PF4, PF6)
		To go to position $p_{\text{exit}}$	A, B (interaction with S and R) (PF1, PF2)
		To take a product at the exit bay	S (interaction with A and B) (PF3, PF4, PF5)

# Pedagogical applications

## Virtual system : Automatic warehouse – Constraints definition

- PF1 : Movement with the forks
  - $\uparrow A \wedge !o = 0$  ( $C_1$ ) : prohibited to activate  $A$  if the forks aren't in position  $o$
  - $\uparrow B \wedge !o = 0$  ( $C_2$ ) : prohibited to activate  $B$  if the forks aren't in position  $o$
  - $\downarrow S \wedge !s = 0$  ( $C_3$ ) : prohibited to deactivate  $S$  if the forks aren't in position  $s$
  - $\downarrow R \wedge !r = 0$  ( $C_4$ ) : prohibited to deactivate  $R$  if the forks aren't position  $r$
  - $A \wedge (S \vee R) = 0$  ( $C_5$ ) : prohibited to activate  $A$  at the same time that  $R$  or  $S$
  - $B \wedge (S \vee R) = 0$  ( $C_6$ ) : prohibited to activate  $B$  at the same time that  $R$  or  $S$
- PF2 : Stopping to intermediate position
  - $\downarrow A \wedge cmvt = 0$  ( $C_7$ ) : prohibited to deactivate  $A$  if the movement sensor  $cmvt$  is turned on
  - $\downarrow B \wedge cmvt = 0$  ( $C_8$ ) : prohibited to deactivate  $B$  if the movement sensor  $cmvt$  is turned on
- PF3 : already a product in the transelevator
  - $\uparrow S \wedge a \wedge product\_in\_trans = 0$  ( $C_9$ ) : prohibited to activate  $S$  if the transelevator is in position  $a$  and if a product is already in the transelevator
- PF4 : To go out in the bad way
  - $\uparrow S \wedge !c \vee !a = 0$  ( $C_{10}$ ) : prohibited to activate  $S$  if the transelevator isn't in position  $a$  or  $c$
  - $\uparrow R \wedge !b = 0$  ( $C_{11}$ ) : prohibited to activate  $R$  if the transelevator isn't in position  $b$
- PF5 : Transelevator in movement
  - $\uparrow S \wedge cmvt = 0$  ( $C_{12}$ ) : prohibited to deactivate  $S$  if the movement sensor  $cmvt$  is turned on
  - $\uparrow R \wedge cmvt = 0$  ( $C_{13}$ ) : prohibited to deactivate  $S$  if the movement sensor  $cmvt$  is turned on

# Pedagogical applications

## Virtual system : Automatic warehouse – Constraints verification

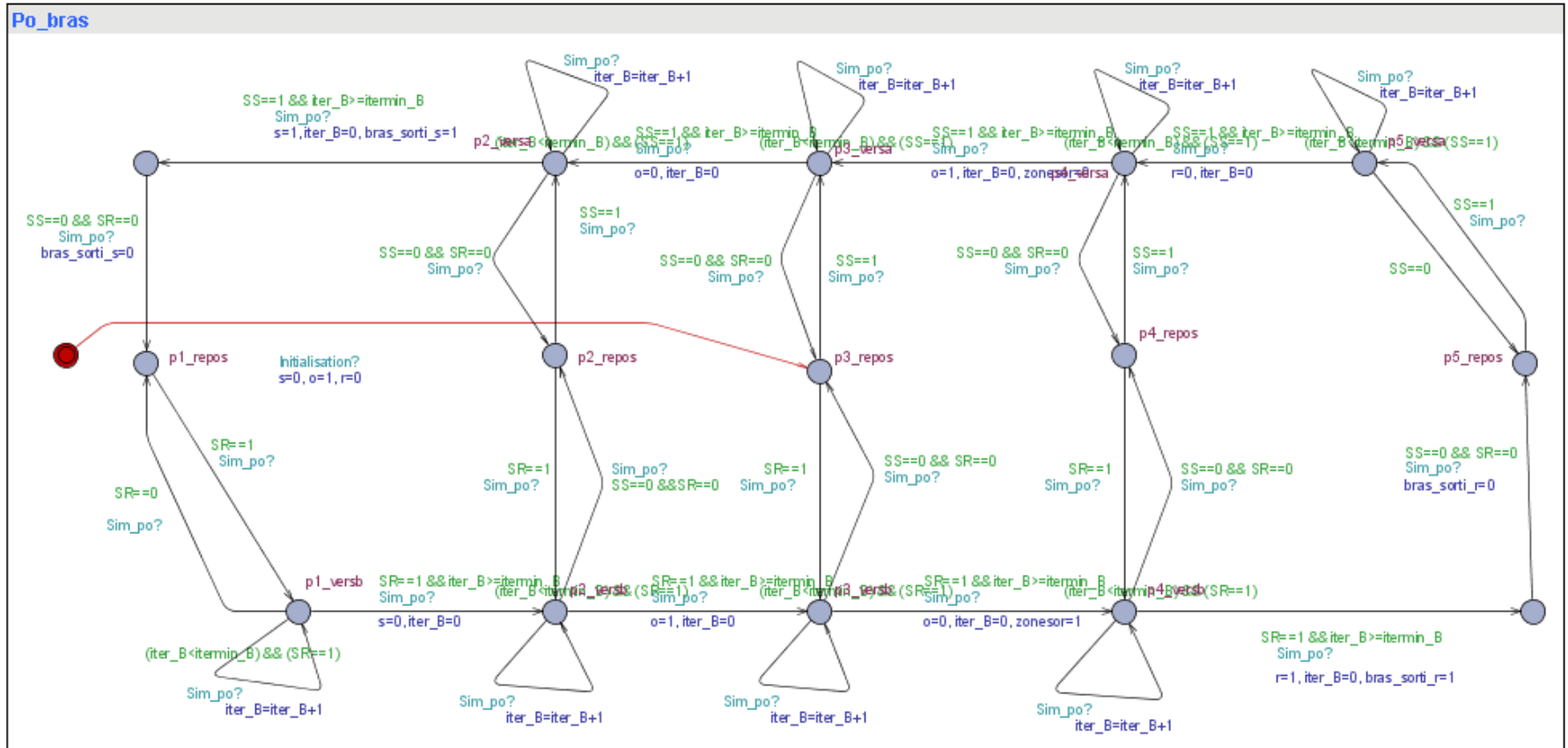
- 3 points to verify :
  - The reachable positions by the transelevator and the forks
  - The possibility of several boxes on a single stock position
  - The possibility of several boxes on the transelevator

# Pedagogical applications

## Virtual system : Automatic warehouse – Model for the verification

- Model definition
  - For the Forks

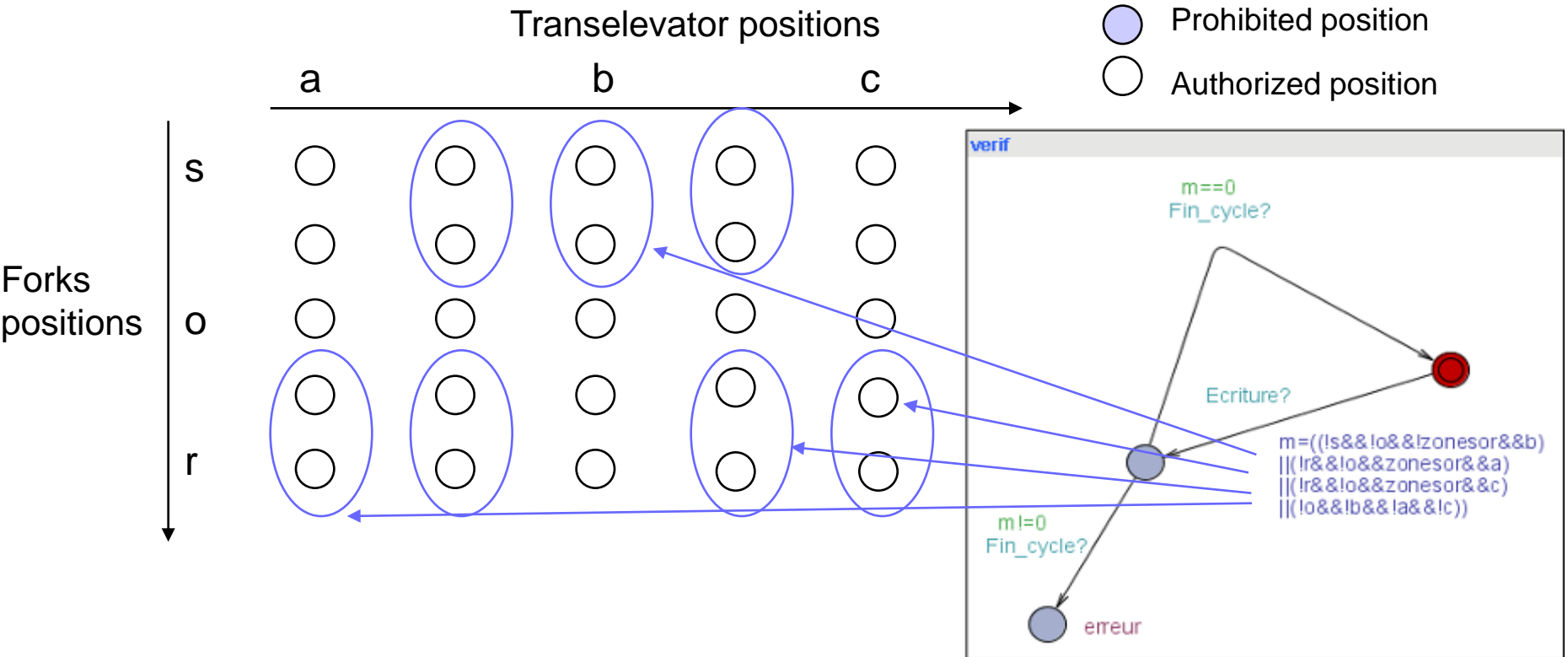
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int vitesse()  
{  
  if((UA&&!UB)==1) {V=V+v;}  
  else{
```



# Pedagogical applications

## Virtual system : Automatic warehouse – Model for the verification

- The reachable positions by the transelevator and the forks



- 75 constraints to safe the system
- Test on UPPAAL and implement with PL7\_pro

# Pedagogical applications

## Discussion

- Real system
  - First role of the filter: to safe the system
  - Second role : to bring an explanation in the case of errors
  - To test with various levels of students, to define various levels of system granularity
- Virtual system
  - Role to bring an explanation
  - Show the approach limits, when the sensors number is insufficient



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# Conclusion and future works

## Conclusion

- Questions tackled in this PHD thesis:
  - How to ensure the safety according to the control errors and to check that the control respects the specifications ?
  - How to take into account the human component ?
  - How to ensure that the approach is dependable ?
- Two validation approaches have been proposed
  - Validation approach off line by synthesis
  - Validation approach on line by filter
- To take into account the control designer
  - Functions definition inside the filter
- To guarantee the safety taking care of the implementation
  - Sufficiency verification by model checking,
  - Definition of a system model : computing environment, plant, most permissive control, product

# Conclusion and future works

## Future works

- Validation approach by filter
  - To develop the functional validation filter
    - To use the Allen's algebra (Allen, 1983)
  - Generation of an explanation adapted to the level of the system validation filter :
    - To adapt the information supplied by the system validation filter
    - To bring an explanation on the safety constraints without redefining the constraints at the functional level
    - To use the traces supplied by UPPAAL for Human adapted explanations

# Conclusion and future works

## Future works

- Constraints verification approach
  - To verify that all the constraints are necessary
  - To raise the assumptions about inertia and product :
    - Not inertia: Use of temporal information (time of activation of an outputs, outputs sequence ...)
    - One product: to consider several products in the same state
  - To propose a hybrid model of the direction model
- To develop a software to define the constraints automatically
- To extend the use of this work within the industrial framework



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