

# Formalizing Adaptation On-the-Fly


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## Abstract

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ing on-the-fly, being deflected without any quiescence. Through translation into process algebra, supporting formal analysis is arranged carefully, showing that as-is and to-be processes are proper abstractions of the migrating process. A canonical critical section problem illustrates the approach.

## 1 Introduction

Coordination language Paradigm [1] models the dynamics of collaborating components. Collaboration is specified by loosely coupling detailed local dynamics of participants to protocol dynamics via role dynamics. In a two-sided way, a role dynamically imposes a current constraint both on a participant's next steps (phase) and on a protocol's next steps (trap). Figure 1 gives such collaborations in UML 2.0 style as dashed ovals.

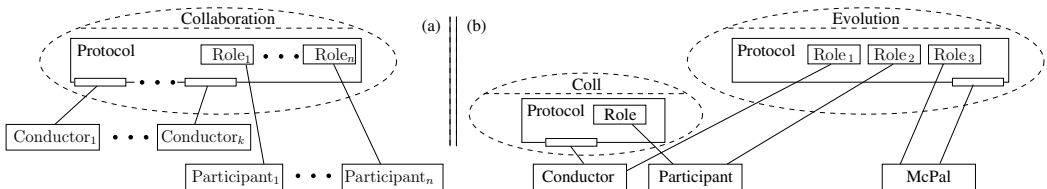


Fig. 1. Collaboration, protocol, roles, participants and conductors.

In Figure 1a, Collaboration presents the general structure of Paradigm collaborations. Participants contribute via Roles, in turn composed into a Protocol by synchronizing role steps. Conductors can be involved too, recognizable by a thin box across the protocol border. A Conductor conducts synchronization of role steps in a single step of the protocol. In UML 2.0 dynamic consistency is still problematic, see [14,12]. Particularly for general UML collaborations, dynamic consistency between participants, roles and collaboration interaction is not clear. If, moreover,

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such a collaboration has to change, dynamic consistency is even more problematic, particularly so *during* migration. For a similar reason, the notion of *quiescence* has been introduced [13] for adaptive systems: a system part, having to change while the system is ongoing, is isolated first from its environment, then it is changed, e.g. by replacing it, and finally, the part in its renewed form is reconnected. Thus, quiescence circumvents dynamic consistency problems in ongoing collaborations during the actual change, by separating a part from what remains ongoing.

Paradigm models for collaborations are dynamically consistent [9,1]: so-called *phase* and *trap* constraints guarantee consistency between a Participant and any Role of it (vertical consistency); so-called *consistency rules*, defining a Protocol, guarantee consistency between the Roles and the Conductors (horizontal consistency). Interestingly, adaptation in Paradigm can be formulated as coordination of a once-only migration collaboration from ongoing as-is collaboration to to-be collaboration aimed at. In particular, migration can be done without any quiescence, thus maintaining dynamical consistency before, during and after migration. Merely *structurally*, Figure 1b visualizes a schematic and simplified, far from general migration example: both as-is and to-be collaboration, named Coll, are identical, with only one participant, one role, and one conductor. (Though not specified in the –merely structural– diagram, their as-is and to-be dynamics do differ.) In addition, a separate collaboration Evolution has every participant and every conductor of Coll as participant, via one separate role each. A special but generally applicable component McPal is involved too<sup>1</sup>, both as participant and as conductor of Evolution. Its specialty lies in its dynamics.

McPal’s dynamics and the interplay thereof with the larger Paradigm model are organized as follows. Initially, as long as a given as-is coordination situation remains stable, a Paradigm model specifies and performs as-is coordination between model components with their as-is dynamics ongoing. Nevertheless, special component McPal is in place in so-called *hibernating* form, not involved in the ongoing as-is coordination at all, but having the ability to extend the model with to-be coordination as well as with migration coordination from as-is to to-be. Only after such an extension has been specified well and subsequently installed, McPal awakes from hibernating to start adapting dynamics and coordination gradually, from as-is into to-be, as specified in terms of the migration coordination just added. Once done, McPal retires into hibernation, removing model specification parts no longer needed, while the to-be coordination situation remains stable until further notice, as the Paradigm model now specifies and performs to-be coordination between its components with their to-be dynamics ongoing. In fact, we have a form of quiescence for McPal. However, activity of other components is not interrupted. Thus, the quiescence of McPal is mirrored, as McPal is active during migration only.

Process algebra (PA) provides a specification formalism for describing Paradigm models in a precise and structural way [1]. Collaborating components are represented in PA by recursive specifications. Dynamic constraints and consistency rules are reflected in the synchronizing function of the parallel operator of the process

<sup>1</sup> The name McPal is short for Managing Changing Processes Ad Libitum.

algebra we consider, defining how components communicate. Thus, a Paradigm model of an adapting system, including the special component McPal, is translated into PA. So, using a well established abstraction technique of PA, we can formally analyze the adaptation process. For instance, we can prove that as-is collaboration indeed migrates to to-be collaboration. In particular, the PA model makes the adaptation dynamics explicit. Therefore, for every migration trajectory, progress properties can be verified.

To clarify the above, the paper has four sections. Section 2 recapitulates Paradigm through a nondeterministic critical section solution, with McPal in place, going to migrate the example. In addition, the section addresses the suitability of the same McPal for general unforeseen migration of arbitrary Paradigm models. In Section 3, PA analysis of the adaptation is presented, for the example first and subsequently for the general case. Section 4 closes with comparing McPal to earlier versions, with variants of McPal in form and performance, with related work and with ideas for future work.

## 2 On-the-fly migration through coordination

In view of explaining McPal, this section first repeats Paradigm's basic notions. Second, it presents a concrete as-is Paradigm model, with McPal in place in hibernating form. Third, it presents a concrete to-be model, with McPal returned to hibernating. Fourth, given the to-be goal, it presents migration coordination from as-is to to-be, conducted by McPal, only while not hibernating. Fifth, we abstract from the example by discussing general adaptation of Paradigm models through migration coordination conducted by McPal, with its hibernating form the same. Except for McPal we shall keep our explanation brief.

The following definitions present Paradigm's basic notions: state-transition diagram, phase, (connecting) trap, partition and global process, see also [1].

- A *state-transition diagram* (STD) is a triple  $\langle \text{ST}, \text{AC}, \text{TS} \rangle$  with ST the set of states, AC the set of actions and  $\text{TS} \subseteq \text{ST} \times \text{AC} \times \text{ST}$  the set of transitions or steps. A step  $(x, a, x') \in \text{TS}$ , denoted by  $x \xrightarrow{a} x'$ , is said to be from  $x$  to  $x'$ .
- A *phase* of STD  $Z = \langle \text{ST}, \text{AC}, \text{TS} \rangle$  is an STD  $S = \langle \text{st}, \text{ac}, \text{ts} \rangle$  such that  $\text{st} \subseteq \text{ST}$ ,  $\text{ac} \subseteq \text{AC}$  and  $\text{ts} \subseteq \{ (x, a, x') \in \text{TS} \mid x, x' \in \text{st}, a \in \text{ac} \}$ .
- A *trap*  $t$  of phase  $S = \langle \text{st}, \text{ac}, \text{ts} \rangle$  of STD  $Z$  is a non-empty set of states  $t \subseteq \text{st}$  such that  $x \in t$  and  $x \xrightarrow{a} x' \in \text{ts}$  imply  $x' \in t$ . If  $t = \text{st}$ , trap  $t$  is called *trivial*. A trap  $t$  *connects* phase  $S$  of  $Z$  to another phase  $S' = \langle \text{st}', \text{ac}', \text{ts}' \rangle$  of  $Z$  if  $t \subseteq \text{st}'$ . Such connectivity is called a *phase transfer*, denoted by  $S \xrightarrow{t} S'$ .
- A *partition*  $\pi = \{ (S_i, T_i) \mid i \in I \}$  of STD  $Z$  is a set of pairs  $(S_i, T_i)$  of a phase  $S_i$  of  $Z$  and a set of traps  $T_i$  of  $S_i$ . A *role* or *global STD* at the level of partition  $\pi$  is an STD  $Z(\pi) = \langle \text{GST}, \text{GAC}, \text{GTS} \rangle$  with  $\text{GST} \subseteq \{ S_i \mid i \in I \}$ ,  $\text{GAC} \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} T_i$  and  $\text{GTS} \subseteq \{ S_i \xrightarrow{t} S_j \mid i, j \in I, t \in \text{GAC} \}$  a set of phase transfers.  $Z$  is called the *detailed* STD underlying *global* STD  $Z(\pi)$ , the  $\pi$ -role of  $Z$ .

A phase, when being current state of a role, is a dynamic constraint imposed on the detailed STD underlying the role, containing all transitions allowed by the role in that phase. Thus, a detailed transition can only be taken if admitted by each current phase of the various roles assigned. A connecting trap of a phase is a further dynamic constraint committed to by the detailed STD, serving as guard for a phase transfer, often to be carried out in combination with simultaneous phase transfers in other roles.

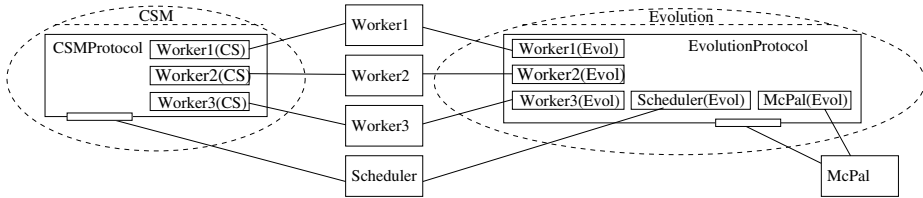


Fig. 2. Collaborations CSM and Evolution.

The as-is model we want to present, is a variant of the nondeterministic server solution for a critical section problem, with three Workers and with Scheduler serving them, see Figure 2. Each  $Worker_i(CS)$  role is contributed to collaboration CSM by  $Worker_i$ . Moreover, Scheduler is involved too, as the only conductor. (Collaboration Evolution is addressed separately below.)

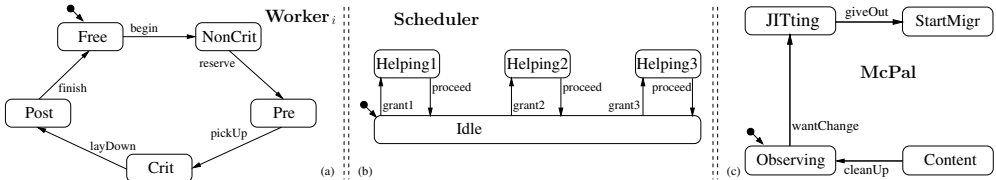


Fig. 3. Participant dynamics: (a) Worker (b) Scheduler (c) McPal.

STDs for Workers and Scheduler, covering the as-is situation only, are given in Figure 3ab. Being in as well as going to and leaving state Crit, together constitute a Worker’s critical section activities. Therefore, Figure 4a presents phase NotHaving of a Worker as detailed STD fragment, reflecting a Worker’s allowed dynamics when *not having* the permission for doing its critical work<sup>2</sup>. Similarly, phase Having reflects a Worker’s dynamics when *having* that permission. Additional rectangles indicate a phase’ trap, containing the trap’s states: request is connecting to phase Having and done is connecting to NotHaving, paving the way for three roles  $Worker_i(CS)$ , see Figure 4b.

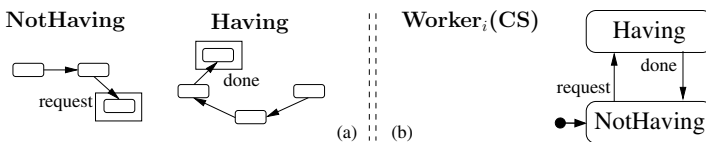


Fig. 4. CS constraints: (a) phases and traps (b) role for  $Worker_i$ .

<sup>2</sup> For reason of space, state and action names from Figure 3a are not repeated in Figure 4a, but the form of the original is kept in the fragments. Like-wise for later drawings of roles.

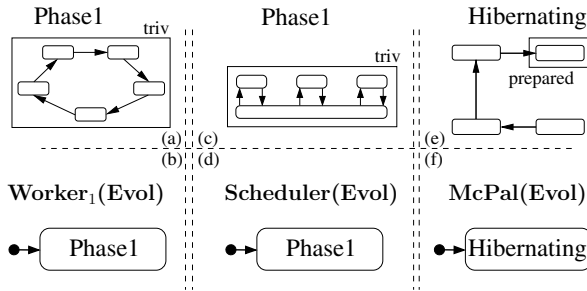


Fig. 5. Evol constraints for single  $Worker_i$ , Scheduler and McPal.

Note, *starting states* of Workers, of their roles and of Scheduler, pointed at by a dot-and-arrow in UML-style, are consistent. Starting state *Free* belongs to *NotHaving*, the ‘starting constraint’. Moreover, Scheduler is supposed to regulate each Worker’s critical section entrance. Thus, in its starting state *Idle*, with each Worker in *NotHaving*, it starts refusing permission to each Worker. The question then is, how their combined dynamics stay consistent once started. Informally, Scheduler is giving the permission to  $Worker_i$  only by going to  $Helping_i$  and it withdraws permission by returning to *Idle*.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Scheduler: Idle} \xrightarrow{\text{grant}_i} \text{Helping}_i * \text{Worker}_i(\text{CS}): \text{NotHaving} \xrightarrow{\text{request}} \text{Having} \\
 & \text{Scheduler: Helping}_i \xrightarrow{\text{proceed}} \text{Idle} * \text{Worker}_i(\text{CS}): \text{Having} \xrightarrow{\text{done}} \text{NotHaving}
 \end{aligned}$$

The above two consistency rules let Scheduler conduct the CS roles of the Workers. The roles, by imposing the current phase, in turn dynamically constrain the five detailed steps of each Worker. Some of these steps actually lead to entering a connecting trap. Via such a trap entered, detailed STDs dynamically constrain coordination steps of Scheduler. In general, a consistency rule synchronizes single steps from *different* STDs: zero or one detailed steps, zero or more role steps and a so-called *change clause* to update the consistency rules within a protocol. If present in one rule, the role steps together constitute one protocol step. If synchronized with a detailed step of an STD  $M$ , this  $M$  is referred to as the *conductor* of that protocol step.

So the first rule says, by its step to  $Helping_i$ , Scheduler conducts  $Worker_i$ ’s CS role step to phase *Having*, provided trap *request* has been entered within *NotHaving*. Similarly the second rule says, by returning to *Idle*, Scheduler conducts  $Worker_i$ ’s CS role to return to *NotHaving*, provided trap *done* has been entered within phase *Having*.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Worker}_i: \text{Free} \xrightarrow{\text{begin}} \text{NonCrit} & \text{Worker}_i: \text{Pre} \xrightarrow{\text{pickUp}} \text{Crit} & \text{Worker}_i: \text{Post} \xrightarrow{\text{finish}} \text{Free} \\
 & \text{Worker}_i: \text{NonCrit} \xrightarrow{\text{reserve}} \text{Pre} & \text{Worker}_i: \text{Crit} \xrightarrow{\text{layDown}} \text{Post}
 \end{aligned}$$

The second group has five, more simple rules. No marker ‘\*’ means, isolated detailed steps only, without any synchronization. But current phases do restrict the actual taking of a step. E.g., regarding the third rule, a Worker can do action *pickUp* only if its current phase is *Having* as the phase *NotHaving* does not allow this transition.

Until now we did not take the Evol roles into account. Figure 5bd specifies them in terms of one phase  $Phase_1$  each. Each  $Phase_1$  does not really restrict underlying

detailed dynamics, as it contains every detailed step, see Figure 5ac. As each role  $Worker_i(\text{Evol})$  and  $Scheduler(\text{Evol})$  starts as well as remains residing in its only global state  $\text{Phase}_1$ , as-is dynamics presented above are not influenced (yet). Moreover, each  $\text{Phase}_1$  has a trivial trap, intended to be connecting to a next phase unknown as yet, but at least allowing for future interruption at any moment. McPal is in place as conductor of the Evolution protocol, however. See Figure 2. According to Figures 3c and 5ef its detailed STD starts in *Observing* and its own *Evol* role starts in *Hibernating*. The phase *Hibernating* has trap *prepared*, intended to be connecting to a next phase unknown for a while, but known indeed *when* trap *prepared*, i.e. state *StartMigr*, is entered, in view of the change clause in the second consistency rule below.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{McPal: Observing} &\xrightarrow{\text{wantChange}} \text{JITting} \\ \text{McPal: JITting} &\xrightarrow{\text{giveOut}} \text{StartMigr} * \text{McPal: [Crs: =Crs + Crs}_{migr} + \text{Crs}_{toBe}] \\ \text{McPal: Content} &\xrightarrow{\text{clearUp}} \text{Observing} * \text{McPal: [Crs: =Crs}_{toBe}] \end{aligned}$$

According to the above three consistency rules for McPal’s detailed steps, the first is without any conducting. When in state *Observing*, McPal can start private preparation of still unknown migration at leisure. Preparation occurs when in *JITting*, through input –e.g. from a modeler– or through McPal’s own activity. It results in a new Paradigm model, covering a to-be situation, as well as migration trajectories towards it. Thus, the second rule too is without any conducting, but here the change clause couples McPal’s detailed step *giveOut* to an update of the consistency rules, extending *Crs* with new rules both for a to-be situation, collected in set  $\text{Crs}_{toBe}$ , and for a migration situation from as-is to to-be, collected in set  $\text{Crs}_{migr}$ . The original content of *Crs* consists of the as-is situation as specified through the above ten rules. Thus, a Paradigm model with a hibernating McPal in place is *reflective* as the model contains its own specification. In addition, it extends its specification while keeping its dynamics unchanged, ongoing as before: McPal’s second rule. The third rule specifies, once migration has been done, by returning to *Observing*, all model specification fragments obsolete by then, are removed.

The to-be situation aimed at is a variant solution for CSM: pursuing a round robin strategy augmented with more efficient permission withdrawal, by asking for withdrawal sooner and by delaying the necessity to wait for it. Figure 2 remains the same, as collaborations and protocol structures do not change. But detailed STDs for *Workers* and *Scheduler* are different, see Figure 6. By spanning as-is, migration and to-be situations together, the figures get less clear however, missing a historical overview in the details. Figure 7abcd alleviates this via *Evol* phases, traps and roles. It shows in particular, the *Workers* suddenly get more dynamic freedom as more direct steps from *Post* towards *Pre* can be taken, whereas *Scheduler* exhibits special intermediate dynamics in phase *NDetToRoRo* before conducting in mere round robin fashion. Note, the round robin fashion emerges from *Scheduler*’s cycling through states  $\text{Checking}_i$ , possibly alternated with going to  $\text{Helping}_i$  if  $Worker_i$  asks for it.

The CS role of *Worker*, see Figure 8, changes too: (i) New CS phases and traps must

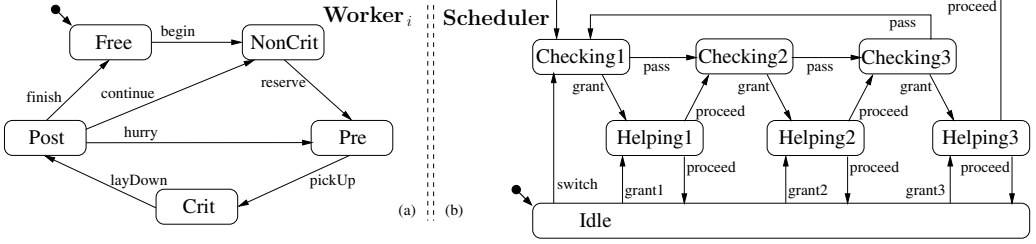


Fig. 6. Detailed STDs for Workers and Scheduler for migration in its entirety.

cover the newly added dynamics in Worker’s Evol phase Phase<sub>2</sub>. Thus, Without is the new version of NotHaving and With is the new version of Having. (ii) In view of the round robin approach, Interrupt is needed as interrupted form of Without, enabling discrimination between needing permission for critical work or not, on the basis of different traps entered.

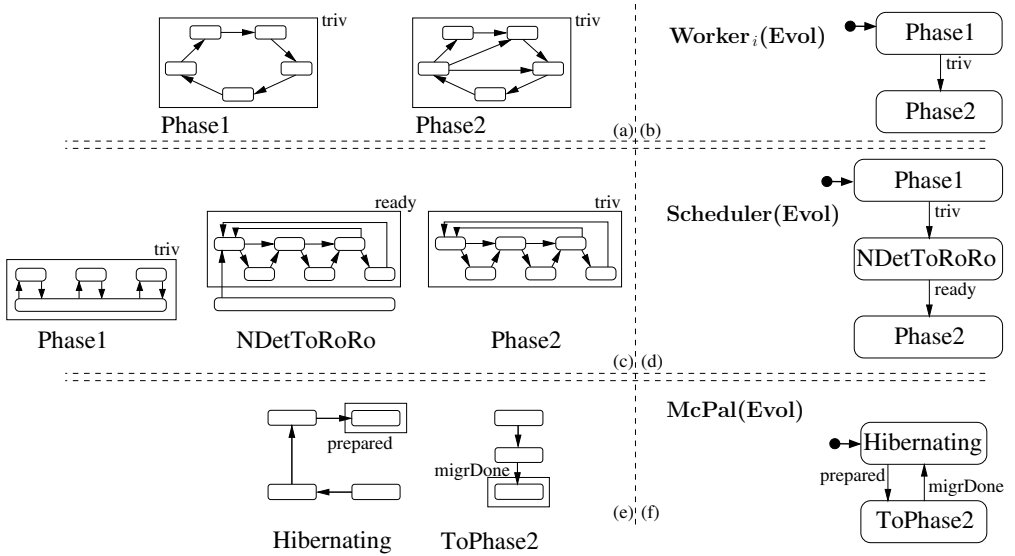


Fig. 7. Evol constraints and role for any participant’s entire migration.

The ten consistency rules below specify this, using cyclic indexing. They belong to the set  $Crs_{toBe}$ . Note, some rules from  $Crs$ , originally specifying as-is dynamics, are still there.

- Scheduler:  $Checking_i \xrightarrow{grant} Helping_i * Worker_i(CS): Interrupt \xrightarrow{request} With$
- Scheduler:  $Helping_i \xrightarrow{proceed} Checking_{i+1} *$
- Worker<sub>i</sub>(CS):  $With \xrightarrow{done} Without, Worker_{i+1}(CS): Without \xrightarrow{triv} Interrupt$
- Scheduler:  $Checking_i \xrightarrow{pass} Checking_{i+1} *$
- Worker<sub>i</sub>(CS):  $Interrupt \xrightarrow{notYet} Without, Worker_{i+1}(CS): Without \xrightarrow{triv} Interrupt$
  
- Worker<sub>i</sub>:  $Free \xrightarrow{begin} NonCrit$       Worker<sub>i</sub>:  $Pre \xrightarrow{pickUp} Crit$       Worker<sub>i</sub>:  $Post \xrightarrow{finish} Free$
- Worker<sub>i</sub>:  $NonCrit \xrightarrow{reserve} Pre$       Worker<sub>i</sub>:  $Crit \xrightarrow{layDown} Post$       Worker<sub>i</sub>:  $Post \xrightarrow{continue} NonCrit$
- Worker<sub>i</sub>:  $Post \xrightarrow{hurry} Pre$

Also, the same three rules for McPal discussed above, belong to  $Crs_{toBe}$ .

Suggested already in Figure 7e, the STD of McPal, covering migration in its entirety, is given in Figure 9. Apparently, for conducting the migration it has two originally unforeseen detailed steps, leading from StartMigr via StartRoRo to Content. In addition, separating these two unforeseen steps from the three foreseen steps in Hibernating, role McPal(Evol) has to perform two steps, one swapping from Hibernating to ToPhase<sub>2</sub>, reflecting ‘awakening’, and the other swapping back, reflecting ‘retiring’, both global steps being unforeseen too as McPal(Evol)’s actual migration phase ToPhase<sub>2</sub> was originally unknown. Swapping between McPal’s own Evol phases is specified through two choreography steps without a conductor instead of through orchestration steps having a conductor. According to the choreography, ‘awakening’ comes first, ‘retiring’ comes second. The notion of choreography for Paradigm has been adopted from [17].

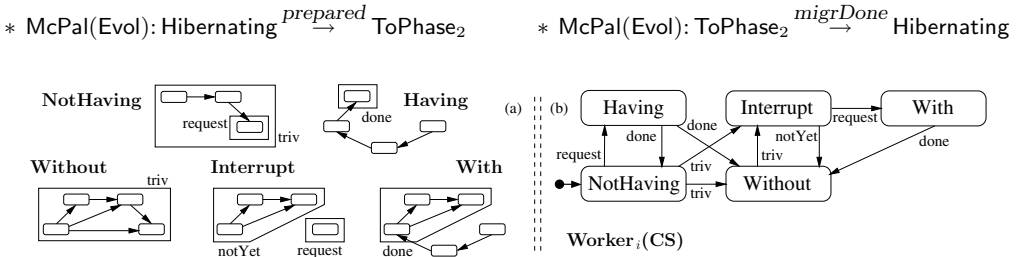


Fig. 8. CS constraints and role for any Worker’s entire migration.

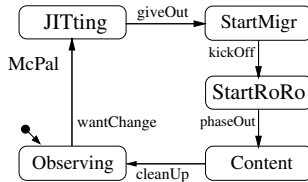


Fig. 9. STD of McPal for the entire migration.

The two choreography rules above together with the six rules below constitute the set  $Crs_{migr}$ . Two rules with Scheduler conducting, address Scheduler’s first step to whatever Checking state, thereby synchronously and consistently transferring all Workers from their as-is CS phases to their to-be CS phases.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Scheduler: Idle} \xrightarrow{switch} \text{Checking}_1 * \text{Worker}_1(\text{CS}): \text{NotHaving} \xrightarrow{triv} \text{Interrupt}, \\
 & \text{Worker}_2(\text{CS}): \text{NotHaving} \xrightarrow{triv} \text{Without}, \text{Worker}_3(\text{CS}): \text{NotHaving} \xrightarrow{triv} \text{Without} \\
 & \text{Scheduler: Helping}_i \xrightarrow{proceed} \text{Checking}_{i+1} * \text{Worker}_i(\text{CS}): \text{Having} \xrightarrow{done} \text{Without}, \\
 & \text{Worker}_{i+1}(\text{CS}): \text{NotHaving} \xrightarrow{triv} \text{Interrupt}, \text{Worker}_{i-1}(\text{CS}): \text{NotHaving} \xrightarrow{triv} \text{Without}
 \end{aligned}$$

Four rules have McPal coordinating migration by conducting Evol phase transfers of all other participants. In the first rule, McPal starts Scheduler migrating and, simultaneously, it transfers the three Workers to their new full dynamics. As long as Scheduler has not transferred their as-is CS phases to to-be ones, such new dynamics will remain excluded, although allowed by McPal already. The remaining three rules transfer Scheduler from migrating to round robin scheduling only, depending



on whether  $Worker_1$  has arrived in whatever new CS phase; the other two  $Workers$  then must have arrived there too.

$$\begin{array}{l}
\text{McPal: StartMigr} \xrightarrow{\text{kickOff}} \text{StartRoRo} \quad * \\
\text{Scheduler(Evol): Phase}_1 \xrightarrow{\text{triv}} \text{NDetToRoRo}, \text{ Worker}_1(\text{Evol}): \text{Phase}_1 \xrightarrow{\text{triv}} \text{Phase}_2, \\
\text{Worker}_2(\text{Evol}): \text{Phase}_1 \xrightarrow{\text{triv}} \text{Phase}_2, \text{ Worker}_3(\text{Evol}): \text{Phase}_1 \xrightarrow{\text{triv}} \text{Phase}_2 \\
\text{McPal: StartRoRo} \xrightarrow{\text{phaseOut}} \text{Content} \quad * \\
\text{Scheduler(Evol): NDetToRoRo} \xrightarrow{\text{ready}} \text{Phase}_2, \text{ Worker}_1(\text{Evol}): \text{Without} \xrightarrow{\text{triv}} \text{Without} \\
\text{McPal: StartRoRo} \xrightarrow{\text{phaseOut}} \text{Content} \quad * \\
\text{Scheduler(Evol): NDetToRoRo} \xrightarrow{\text{ready}} \text{Phase}_2, \text{ Worker}_1(\text{Evol}): \text{Interrupt} \xrightarrow{\text{triv}} \text{Interrupt} \\
\text{McPal: StartRoRo} \xrightarrow{\text{phaseOut}} \text{Content} \quad * \\
\text{Scheduler(Evol): NDetToRoRo} \xrightarrow{\text{ready}} \text{Phase}_2, \text{ Worker}_1(\text{Evol}): \text{With} \xrightarrow{\text{triv}} \text{With}
\end{array}$$

Please note, it is on the basis of the constraining character of phases and traps, the example of the critical section model with the above  $McPal$  succeeds in specifying a self-adapting model via migration coordination, even for unforeseen adaptation. No quiescence of components is necessary, as coordination remains ongoing although changing gradually. Once migration has finished, the original critical section model is working in a completely new way, but  $McPal$ , not unlike a catalyst, is still in place, having returned to its original appearance represented by its phase  $Hibernating$  only.

So far, we have established unforeseen adaptation without quiescence for our nondeterministic critical section example only, migrating to the above round robin solution. We abstract from the example as follows. For the general situation, let an arbitrary, well-defined Paradigm model  $PM_1$  be given. Assume, at some later point in time, we prefer to have another well-defined Paradigm model  $PM_2$  instead of  $PM_1$ . Moreover assume, once  $PM_2$  is known, another well-defined Paradigm model  $PM_{1to2}$  can be constructed, specifying how to migrate as smoothly as required from  $PM_1$  performance to  $PM_2$  performance. Then, Paradigm model  $PM_1$  extended with (i) the above  $McPal$  in hibernating form and with (ii) trivially suitable  $Evol$  roles for each component, can coordinate its own migration to the originally unforeseen model  $PM_2$  performance, with  $McPal$  in place afresh, in hibernating form again and with new but similar trivially suitable  $Evol$  roles for each component. This means in particular, after whatever migration done in this manner,  $McPal$  is still in place for yet another unforeseen adaptation via yet another migration coordination done in this manner.

So, in view of modeling unforeseen change, the special component  $McPal$  is included in all Paradigm models. During the original, stable collaboration stage of the executing Paradigm model,  $McPal$  is stand-by only, not influencing the rest of the model at all. This is  $McPal$ 's hibernating form. But, by being there,  $McPal$  provides the means for preparing the migration as well as for conducting its coordination accordingly. To that aim, connections between  $McPal$  and the rest of the model are in place, realizing rudimentary interfacing for later purposes; in Paradigm terms, one  $Evol$  role per component *without* dynamics, as there is exactly one global state as *nonrestrictive* phase per  $Evol$  role. As soon as, via  $McPal$ , the new way of working

as well as the migration towards it have been developed, **McPal** takes step **giveOut** thereby installing the relevant extension to the original model. Trap **prepared** of phase **Hibernating** having been entered by then, a choreography step is taken as **Evol** protocol step, only now enabling **McPal** to conduct the various **Evol** roles from their once stable **Phase<sub>m</sub>**, for some  $m$  say, eventually to a next, until-further-notice stable **Phase<sub>m+1</sub>**. In this manner, **McPal**'s own migration begins through choreography, the migration of the others is started thereafter by **McPal** as conductor taking a **kickOff**-like step. Finishing migration is done in reversed order. The others are explicitly left to their new stable collaboration, restricting them to their **Phase<sub>m+1</sub>** phases, by **McPal**, as conductor, taking a **phaseOut**-like step, thus reaching a **migrDone**-like trap. Thereupon **McPal** ceases to influence the others, as a choreography step transfers role **McPal(Evol)** back to phase **Hibernating**. As a last step, the first within phase **Hibernating**, **McPal** shrinks the recently extended model, by removing model fragments no longer needed, keeping the new model only, **McPal** really emerging as a catalyst amidst a completely renewed model.

### 3 Process algebra translation of **McPal**

In this section, **McPal** and the other example components from Section 2 are expressed as PA processes, following the translation of [1]. Using the translation we formally prove that the system migrates indeed from the as-is to the to-be behaviour. Moreover, the PA specification can directly be taken as an input for the mCRL2 modelchecker, to be used for further analysis of the migration model.

Recall that the system in migration originally has the as-is dynamics, to become the to-be behaviour once it has migrated. Thus, the Paradigm migration model comprises both, as-is and to-be behaviour, as well as the dynamicity of the migration, **McPal** included. While the system behaves as as-is only or as to-be only, **McPal** is in its hibernating form. Hence in either case, the behaviour of each component is constrained by its trivial **Evol** phase. Thus, the rich complex dynamics of the migrating system is restricted, by **McPal** and the **Evol** roles, to relatively simple as-is behaviour (and similar for the to-be behaviour). We show that, indeed, the as-is behaviour, **SysAsIs**, is an abstracted version of the overall behaviour of the migrating system, cf. Theorem 3.1. Theorem 3.3 states the analogue for to-be behaviour with respect to the migrating system. Moreover, the process algebraic compositional mechanisms allow us to take another perspective on the as-is behaviour. Namely, the as-is behaviour (same for to-be) can be considered as a stand-alone system, **SWSysAsIs**, not “connected” to any **McPal** and without **Evol** roles per component, and thus, not in the context of any migration, only as an isolated interacting composition of the relevant components. Nevertheless, we show that the presence of **McPal** and the **Evol** roles in the former **SysAsIs** as-is model does not add any behaviour. Namely we show, by establishing a relation between their PA specifications, that the two as-is models, **SysAsIs** as a part of the bigger migration model and **SWSys** as as-is system in isolation, essentially have the same behaviour (Theorem 3.2).

For a full translation, each STD from the Paradigm model is specified as a pro-

cess. Processes are composed into larger systems by means of parallel composition and synchronization. Here we only specify the Scheduler and McPal STDs of the migration model, a Mig suffix in process names relating them to the migration model. The complete mCRL2 code of the migration, as-is and to-be models can be obtained from [www.win.tue.nl/~andova/research/mcrl2\\_experiments/](http://www.win.tue.nl/~andova/research/mcrl2_experiments/).

The specification of Scheduler in the migration model is given below. The migration Scheduler mimics both the as-is and the to-be Scheduler (see Fig. 6b). This is made explicit by naming the mimicking transitions *nameAsIs* and *nameToBe*, respectively. In addition, once conducted by McPal to NDetToRoRo –the right phase at the right time– Scheduler exhibits extended behaviour conducting other components towards their to-be behaviours. These transitions, typical for the migration model, have the extension Mig. Thus, the *proceed* transition is now represented by three different transitions: *proceedAsIs*, *proceedMig* and *proceedToBe*. This is essential, as each *proceed* action synchronizes differently in the three models. While in Paradigm this differentiation is implicit, in the process algebraic translation this has to be made clear. E.g., *switch* is a migration transition, hence it is denoted by *switchMig*. As described in [1], to capture vertical consistency, processes are augmented with the actions *at?*, *at!*, *ok?* and *ok!*. (Via the *at* communication, information whether a phase transfer can take place is passed from the local to the global level of a process; via the *ok* communication, information whether a local step is allowed by a current phase is exchanged.) Horizontal consistency is captured by the communication function ‘|’ and process synchronization.

We introduce the following short-hand. For a component C, we use  $LAct(C)$  to denote the set of all names of local transitions of that component. For instance,  $LAct(Sch) = \{grantAsIs_1, \dots, passToBe_3\}$ .  $LAct(C) \downarrow AsIs$  denotes the subset of names in  $LAct(C)$  tagged as *AsIs* actions. Thus,  $LAct(Sch) \downarrow AsIs = \{grantAsIs_i, proceedAsIs_i \mid i = 1, 2, 3\}$ . Similar for other extensions, *ToBe* and *Mig*.  $Act(C)$  denotes the set of all actions names in the process algebraic specification of C.

The Scheduler of the migration model is specified as given below. Note, to emphasize that, via action *proceedAsIs*, Scheduler conducts the CS roles of Workers (see consistency rules on page 27), we rather write  $man(proceedAsIs)$  instead of  $ok?(proceedAsIs)$ . Similar for other cases of the *man* actions in the sequel.

$$\begin{aligned}
 SchedulerMig &= IdleMig \\
 IdleMig &= \sum_i man(grantAsIs_i) \cdot HelpingMig_i + man(switchMig) \cdot CheckingMig_1 \\
 HelpingMig_i &= man(proceedAsIs_i) \cdot Idle + man(proceedToBe_i) \cdot CheckingMig_{i+1} + \\
 &\quad man(proceedMig_i) \cdot CheckingMig_{i+1} + at!(HelpingMig_i) \cdot HelpingMig_i \\
 CheckingMig_i &= man(grantToBe_i) \cdot HelpingMig_i + man(passToBe_i) \cdot CheckingMig_{i+1} + \\
 &\quad at!(CheckingMig_i) \cdot CheckingMig_i
 \end{aligned}$$

The specification of Scheduler(Evol) is

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{SchedulerEvolMig} &= \text{SchEvolPhase1TrivMig} \\
\text{SchEvolPhase1TrivMig} &= \sum_i \text{ok!(grantAsls}_i) \cdot \text{SchEvolPhase1TrivMig} + \\
&\quad \sum_i \text{ok!(proceedAsls}_i) \cdot \text{SchEvolPhase1TrivMig} + \\
&\quad \text{emp(Phase1, NDetToRoRo, trivMig)} \cdot \text{SchEvolNDetToRoRoTrivMig} \\
\text{SchEvolNDetToRoRoTrivMig} &= \sum_{t \in \text{LAct(Sch)}} \text{ok!(}t) \cdot \text{SchEvolNDetToRoRoTrivMig} + \\
&\quad \sum_i \text{at?(HelpingMig}_i) \cdot \text{SchEvolNDetToRoRoReadyMig} + \\
&\quad \sum_i \text{at?(CheckingMig}_i) \cdot \text{SchEvolNDetToRoRoReadyMig} \\
\text{SchEvolNDetToRoRoReadyMig} &= \sum_{t \in \text{LAct(Sch)} \setminus \text{switchMig}} \text{ok!(}t) \cdot \text{SchEvolNDetToRoRoReadyMig} + \\
&\quad \text{emp(NDetToRoRoReady, Phase2, readyMig)} \cdot \text{SchEvolPhase2TrivMig} \\
\text{SchEvolPhase2TrivMig} &= \sum_{t \in \text{LAct(Sch)} \downarrow \text{ToBe}} \text{ok!(}t) \cdot \text{SchEvolPhase2TrivMig}
\end{aligned}$$

Translation of McPal and of McPal(Evol) is done similarly.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{McPalMig} &= \text{McPalObserving} \\
\text{McPalObserving} &= \text{ok?(wantChange)} \cdot \text{McPalJITting} \\
\text{McPalJITting} &= \text{ok?(giveOut)} \cdot \text{McPalStartMigr} \\
\text{McPalStartMigr} &= \text{ok?(kickOff)} \cdot \text{McPalStartRoRo} + \text{at!(McPalStartMigr)} \cdot \text{McPalStartMigr} \\
\text{McPalStartRoRo} &= \text{ok?(phaseOut)} \cdot \text{McPalContent} \\
\text{McPalContent} &= \text{ok?(cleanUp)} \cdot \text{McPalObserving} + \text{at!(McPalContent)} \cdot \text{McPalContent} \\
\text{McPalEvolMig} &= \text{McPalEvolHibTriv} \\
\text{McPalEvolHibTriv} &= \sum_{t \in \{\text{wantChange, giveOut, cleanUp}\}} \text{ok!(}t_i) \cdot \text{McPalEvolHibTriv} + \\
&\quad \text{at?(StartMigr)} \cdot \text{McPalEvolHibPrepared} \\
\text{McPalEvolHibPrepared} &= \text{emp(Hib, Phase2, prepared)} \cdot \text{McPalEvolToPhase2Triv} \\
\text{McPalEvolToPhase2Triv} &= \text{ok!(kickOff)} \cdot \text{McPalEvolToPhase2Triv} + \\
&\quad \text{ok!(phaseOut)} \cdot \text{McPalEvolToPhase2Triv} + \text{at?(Content)} \cdot \text{McPalEvolToPhase2MigDone} \\
\text{McPalEvolToPhase2MigDone} &= \text{emp(Hib, Phase2, migrDone)} \cdot \text{McPalEvolHibTriv}
\end{aligned}$$

The communication function ‘|’ is derived from the consistency rules. As for the translation in general, we put  $\text{at!(}s) \mid \text{at?(}s) = \text{at}(s)$  and  $\text{ok?(}t) \mid \text{ok!(}t) = \text{ok}(t)$ . We present further synchronization in three parts, following the consistency rules. The first two communications pertain to the migration process exhibiting as-is behaviour (corresponding to the first two consistency rules on page 27).

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{grantAsls}_i &= \text{man}(\text{grantAsls}_i) \mid \text{ok!(grantAsls}_i) \mid \text{emp(NotHaving}_i, \text{Having}_i, \text{requestAsls)} \\
\text{proceedAsls}_i &= \text{man}(\text{proceedAsls}_i) \mid \text{ok!(proceedAsls}_i) \mid \text{emp(Having}_i, \text{NotHaving}_i, \text{doneAsls)}
\end{aligned}$$

The next six clauses reflect what happens while Workers and Scheduler are migrating to their new behaviour. Note, migration of Workers from as-is to the to-be behaviour is clearly marked by moving from NotHaving and Having to Without, Interrupt or

With (corresponding to the last six consistency rules on page 31).

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{switchMig} &= \text{man}(\text{switchMig}) \mid \text{ok}!(\text{switchMig}) \mid \text{emp}(\text{NotHaving}_1, \text{Interrupt}_1, \text{trivMig}) \mid \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{NotHaving}_2, \text{Without}_2, \text{trivMig}) \mid \text{emp}(\text{NotHaving}_3, \text{Without}_3, \text{trivMig}) \\
\text{proceedMig}_i &= \text{man}(\text{proceedMig}_i) \mid \text{ok}!(\text{proceedMig}_i) \mid \text{emp}(\text{Having}_i, \text{Without}_i, \text{doneMig}) \mid \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{NotHaving}_{i+1}, \text{Interrupt}_{i+1}, \text{trivMig}) \mid \text{emp}(\text{NotHaving}_{i-1}, \text{Without}_{i-1}, \text{trivMig}) \\
\text{kickOff} &= \text{man}(\text{kickOff}) \mid \text{emp}(\text{Phase1}, \text{NDetToRoRo}, \text{triv}) \mid \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{Phase1}_1, \text{Phase2}_1, \text{triv}_1) \mid \text{emp}(\text{Phase1}_2, \text{Phase2}_2, \text{triv}_2) \mid \text{emp}(\text{Phase1}_3, \text{Phase2}_3, \text{triv}_3) \\
\text{phaseOut}(\text{Without}) &= \text{man}(\text{phaseOut}) \mid \text{emp}(\text{NDetToRoRo}, \text{Phase2}, \text{ready}) \mid \text{emp}(\text{Without}_1, \text{Without}_1, \text{triv}_1) \\
\text{phaseOut}(\text{Interrupt}) &= \text{man}(\text{phaseOut}) \mid \text{emp}(\text{NDetToRoRo}, \text{Phase2}, \text{ready}) \mid \text{emp}(\text{Interrupt}_1, \text{Interrupt}_1, \text{triv}_1) \\
\text{phaseOut}(\text{With}) &= \text{man}(\text{phaseOut}) \mid \text{emp}(\text{NDetToRoRo}, \text{Phase2}, \text{ready}) \mid \text{emp}(\text{With}_1, \text{With}_1, \text{triv}_1)
\end{aligned}$$

The last clauses of the communication function capture the synchronization in the to-be behaviour (corresponding to the first three consistency rules on page 29).

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{grantToBe}_i &= \text{man}(\text{grantToBe}_i) \mid \text{ok}!(\text{grantToBe}_i) \mid \text{emp}(\text{Interrupt}_i, \text{With}_i, \text{requestToBe}) \\
\text{proceedToBe}_i &= \text{man}(\text{proceedToBe}_i) \mid \text{ok}!(\text{proceedToBe}_i) \mid \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{With}_i, \text{Without}_i, \text{doneToBe}) \mid \text{emp}(\text{Without}_{i+1}, \text{Interrupt}_{i+1}, \text{trivToBe}) \\
\text{passToBe}_i &= \text{man}(\text{passToBe}_i) \mid \text{ok}!(\text{passToBe}_i) \mid \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{Interrupt}_i, \text{Without}_i, \text{notYetToBe}) \mid \text{emp}(\text{Without}_{i+1}, \text{Interrupt}_{i+1}, \text{trivToBe})
\end{aligned}$$

Combining the processes to express their collaboration requires parallel composition only. Thus, the whole migration process conducted by McPal is then specified by

$$\text{SysMig} = \partial_H (\text{McPalMig} \parallel \text{McPalEvolMig} \parallel \text{SysMig}')$$

$$\text{SysMig}' = \parallel_i (\text{WorkerMig}_i \parallel \text{WorkerCSMig}_i \parallel \text{WorkerEvolMig}_i) \parallel \text{SchedulerMig} \parallel \text{SchedulerEvolMig}$$

where the encapsulation operator  $\partial_H$  enforces all communicating actions to synchronize (or yields deadlock otherwise). Similarly, using the translation of the proper STDs, we can derive both as-is behaviours of the service system: as-is in the presence of McPal in hibernation,  $\text{SysAsIs}$ , and as-is stand-alone service system,  $\text{SWSysAsIs}$ , of Workers and Scheduler. In the same manner we obtain such results for the to-be behaviours. We thus define

$$\text{SysAsIs} = \partial_H (\text{McPalAsIs} \parallel \text{McPalEvolAsIs} \parallel \text{SysAsIs}')$$

$$\text{SysAsIs}' = \parallel_i (\text{WorkerAsIs}_i \parallel \text{WorkerCSAsIs}_i \parallel \text{WorkerEvolAsIs}_i) \parallel \text{SchedulerAsIs} \parallel \text{SchedulerEvolAsIs}$$

and

$$\text{SysToBe} = \partial_H (\text{McPalToBe} \parallel \text{McPalEvolToBe} \parallel \text{SysToBe}')$$

$$\text{SysToBe}' = \parallel_i (\text{WorkerToBe}_i \parallel \text{WorkerCSToBe}_i \parallel \text{WorkerEvolToBe}_i) \parallel \text{SchedulerToBe} \parallel \text{SchedulerEvolToBe}$$

For the stand-alone variants we have the following specifications:

$$\text{SWSysAsIs} = \partial_H (\parallel_i (\text{WorkerAsIs}_i \parallel \text{WorkerCSAsIs}_i) \parallel \text{SchedulerAsIs}) \text{ and}$$

$$\text{SWSysToBe} = \partial_H (\parallel_i (\text{WorkerToBe}_i \parallel \text{WorkerCSToBe}_i) \parallel \text{SchedulerToBe})$$

Having formalized the separate components and the systems they compose, we are able to relate the models. See Theorem 3.1 to 3.3 below. The first result states, as long  $\text{McPal}(\text{Evol})$  is not allowed to perform the choreography step `prepared`, meaning it cannot start migration, the larger migration system has the same behaviour as the as-is system, up to branching bisimulation [7,1]. This is specified first by blocking the action `prepared` and second by abstracting all actions  $\text{McPal}$  can perform in the `Hibernating` phase; thus all actions  $\text{Act}(\text{McPalHib}) = \{\text{ok}(\text{wantChange}), \text{ok}(\text{giveOut}), \text{ok}(\text{cleanUp})\}$  are renamed into the silent action  $\tau$  by means of the abstraction operator  $\tau_{\text{Act}(\text{McPalHib})}$ . Note, blocking the phase transfer of  $\text{McPal}$  from `Hibernating` to `ToPhase2`, directly disables  $\text{McPal}$  to execute any action not allowed in the `Hibernating` phase. Thus, it is sufficient to abstract away only from  $\text{Act}(\text{McPalHib})$  actions.

**Theorem 3.1** *SWSysAsIs is branching bisimilar to*

$$\tau_{\text{Act}(\text{McPalHib})} \circ \partial_{\text{H}} (\text{McPalMig} \parallel \partial_{\text{emp}(\_, \_, \text{prepared})} (\text{McPalEvolMig}) \parallel \text{SWSysMig}).$$

The theorem is confirmed by the `mCRL2` tool set. The second theorem states that both as-is models are equivalent, i.e.  $\text{McPal}$  in hibernation and the trivial `Evol` roles of `Workers` and `Scheduler` do not essentially change the as-is behaviour.

**Theorem 3.2** *SWSysAsIs is branching bisimilar to  $\tau_{\text{Act}(\text{McPalHib})} (\text{SysAsIs})$ .  
SWSysToBe is branching bisimilar to  $\tau_{\text{Act}(\text{McPalHib})} (\text{SysToBe})$ .*

Again, `mCRL2` confirms the theorem. In view of the next theorem, a specification is interpreted as a labelled transition system (LTS). Every state in an LTS corresponds to a process variable specified. The state space of the parallel composition is the product of the component state spaces, restricted to the subset of the states reachable from the initial state of the composition. In our example, every reachable state  $\tilde{s}$  in the LTS of `SWSysToBe` is a tuple  $(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_7)$ , where  $s_i$  is a state in the LTS of the corresponding  $i$ -th component (2 states per `Worker`, 1 state for `Scheduler`). For  $\tilde{s}$ , we write  $\text{SWSysToBe}(\tilde{s})$ . Let  $S$  be the set of all (reachable) states of the LTS of `SWSysToBe`. Let  $S_i \subseteq S$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , contain all states in  $S$  having currently `SchedulerToBe` in state `CheckingToBei`, `WorkerCSToBei` in state `InterruptTrivToBei`, and for  $j \neq i$ , `WorkerCSToBej` in state `WithoutTrivToBej`. Finally, let `NoToBe`, defined as  $\text{Act}(\text{SysMig}) \setminus \text{Act}(\text{SysToBe})$ , denote the set of actions from `SysMig` not in `SysToBe`.

Theorem 3.3, the last result, states that once the migration has been started, i.e. after  $\text{McPal}$  has executed the `kickOff` step, the migration process will evolve into to-be behaviour, independent of what the process was executing before. This is specified by hiding all `NoToBe` actions, renaming them into  $\tau$ . The theorem implicitly confirms the progress of the migration process (conducted by  $\text{McPal}$ ): eventually to-be behaviour is reached.

**Theorem 3.3** *Processes  $\tau_G(\text{SysMig})$  is branching bisimilar to process*

$$\tau \cdot \text{kickOff} \cdot \left( \sum_{\tilde{s} \in S_1} \tau \cdot \text{SWSysToBe}(\tilde{s}) + \sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{\tilde{s} \in S_i} \tau \cdot \text{SWSysToBe}(\tilde{s}) \right)$$

where  $G = NoToBe \setminus \{kickOff\}$ .

Once more, the theorem is checked with the tool set. The four inner summands in the process description cover the four possible migration trajectories: the first one via `switchMig` migration step and the other three via `proceedMigi`,  $i = 1, 2, 3$  migration steps. Intuitively, as long as `kickOff` is not executed, `SysMig` behaves as the as-is system (Theorem 3.1). Eventually `kickOff` is executed (under the fairness assumption), moving `Scheduler` into `NDetToRoRo` and `Workers` into `Phase2`. Between `kickOff` and either `switchMig` or `proceedMigi`, the system continues behaving as-is. However, in addition to behaving as-is, any reachable state in this phase can execute exactly one action out of `switchMig` and `proceedMigi`,  $i = 1, 2, 3$ . The current as-is state determines which is enabled. Thus, if in the current state  $\tilde{s}$  of `SysMig`, `SchedulerMig` is in `IdleMig` state, namely  $s_7 = IdleMig$ , then `switchMig` is enabled, but `proceedMigi` is not. By execution of any of these four actions, the system is migrated to to-be behaviour. Essential is, these transitions change the global states of `Workers` only, not their detailed states. The three sets  $S_i$  reflect this, each one containing states differing only in `Workers`' detailed states.

Migration as provided by the Paradigm migration model does not require any quiescence. This is reflected by the specification in Theorem 3.3. More specifically, components are continuously active. Furthermore, the system can be in any allowed state at the moment the `kickOff` action is executed. Next, instigated by the `kickOff` action, the components are silently moved to their to-be behaviour. Migration essentially occurs without changing any current local state and the system continues without any interruption towards executing to-be transitions. This implies smooth migration, with ongoing component dynamics indeed.

The theorems presented above for the critical section running example apply to Paradigm migration models with similar `McPals`. As explained already in Section 2, a Paradigm migration model consists of three models, as-is model  $PM_1$ , to-be model  $PM_2$ , and migration model  $PM_{1to2}$ . Note, due to the specific role of `McPal` in the migration process, its specification in hibernating form remains the same for any migration model, as well as for as-is and to-be models. Thus, in a similar manner as for the example above, `McPal` and its `Evol` role, `McPalEvol`, are components in the three models. Therefore,  $PM_{1to2} = \partial_H(\text{McPalMig} \parallel \text{McPalEvolMig} \parallel \text{PMMig})$  where `PMMig` is the composition of the other system components. Similar,  $PM_1 = \partial_{H_1}(\text{McPalAsIs} \parallel \text{McPalEvolAsIs} \parallel \text{PMAIs})$ , and  $PM_2 = \partial_{H_2}(\text{McPalToBe} \parallel \text{McPalEvolToBe} \parallel \text{PMTobe})$ . Subsequently, the result of Theorem 3.1 can be generalized:  $\tau_{Act(McPalHib)}(PM_1)$  is branching bisimilar to

$$\tau_{Act(McPalHib)} \circ \partial_H (\text{McPalMig} \parallel \partial_{emp(-,-,prepared)} (\text{McPalEvolMig}) \parallel \text{PMMig}).$$

where  $H$ , as for  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  above, are properly chosen sets of actions to be forced to synchronize.

In a Paradigm migration model, the migration of the system components is unleashed once `McPal` performs a `kickOff`-like action. Consequently, the components are silently moved to their to-be behaviour, possible via different trajectories. As-

suming that there are  $n$  different trajectories  $t_k$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, n$ . Assume that state  $s_k$  is the first state on trajectory  $t_k$  that is a state in the (LTS of the) to-be model  $\text{PM}_2$ . And assume that the set  $I$  contains all actions occurring in  $\text{PM}_{1\text{to}2}$  but not in  $\text{PM}_2$ , except the `kickOff`-like action. Then the generalization of Theorem 3.3 states branching bisimilarity of  $\tau_I(\text{SysMig})$  and the process  $\tau \cdot \text{kickOff} \cdot \sum_{s_k} \tau \cdot \text{PM}_2(s_k)$ .

## 4 Variants, related and future work

The above `McPal` is reminiscent of two other `McPal` versions from earlier work [10,11]. Compared with [10], the above `McPal` is far more general, since the older one, lacking a `McPal(Evol)` role, has exactly two fixed migration steps between `CrS` extension and `CrS` reduction only. The older version does allow for quite some freedom in unforeseen migration, however, as both fixed migration steps can be adorned, lazily but just-in-time, with new conducting, even repeatedly so for later migrations. Nevertheless, more than two migration steps, alternative migration steps or iterated migration steps cannot be covered at once, which for the above `McPal` are no problem at all. The concrete migrations in [10] are also less comprising, more cautious than the above example combining change of all detailed and role dynamics within one migration cycle.

Compared with [11], the above `McPal` has a rather more elegant `Hibernating` phase: complete symmetry in initial model extension and final model reduction via actions `giveOut` and `cleanUp`, respectively. Moreover, the choreography steps coordinating `McPal(Evol)` steps are more simple than `McPal`'s self-conducting in [11]. The actual migration in [11] is completely different, however, in two respects. A round robin strategy as above serves as as-is situation and the to-be situation is a pipeline architecture, with four `Units` collaborating pair-wise in producer-consumer fashion. So, `Workers` and `Scheduler` as above gradually become a `Unit`, with different dynamics each, without quiescence. Moreover, `McPal` decides on-the-fly of the migration, which `Worker` becomes which `Unit`. Another difference is, the migration is specified at a suitable architectural level: suggestively clear but incomplete, thus being not amenable to PA analysis yet.

In addition to variants for migration coordination, the `Hibernating` phase of `McPal` is open to variation too. Although such variants should not influence migration, being internal to `Hibernating`, they might unravel the preparation of the migration, by refining what could happen in state `JITting`. The following variant particularly illustrates how translating a Paradigm model into a PA model and analyzing it, fit into `McPal`'s life cycle, providing instant formal verification of a proposed migration trajectory. See Figure 10. State `JITting` is refined into cycling through four modeling-related states: from `JITParadigmModeling` to `Modelchecking`. At arrival in `JITParadigmModeling` the as-is Paradigm model is the only model known, specified as current value of `CrS`, comprising consistency rules and corresponding STD definitions. On leaving the state, generally two more Paradigm models are known, specified as current values of `CrStoBe` and of `CrS $\cup$ CrSmigr $\cup$ CrStoBe`, respectively, allowing for analysis and improvement. Model analysis and checking



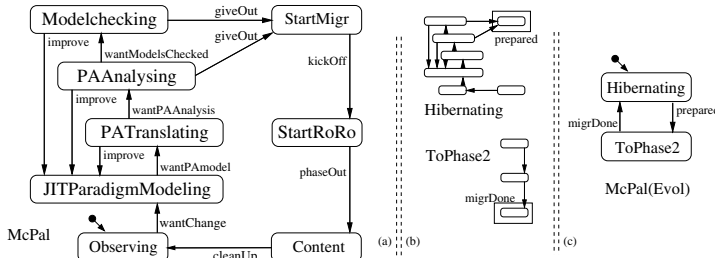


Fig. 10. Revisiting McPal: a new way of Hibernating.

can be abandoned via step `giveOut` from two states, always leading to `StartMigr` and thereby into trap `prepared`, only then enabling awakening from `Hibernating`.

The broad variability of `McPal` in its details, both for specifying concrete migration coordination and for unraveling migration support given by a concrete model engineering process, underlines `McPal`'s *reusability* potential, effectively providing a pattern for adaptation. It is via specific constraint control, `McPal` conducts the migration coordination, following five steps. (i) New constraint control is specified and added to the model, while keeping as-is collaboration ongoing. (ii) `McPal`'s own new conducting is started, while keeping as-is collaboration of the others ongoing. (iii) `McPal` kicks off and conducts the others from as-is collaboration to to-be collaboration, while keeping them ongoing. (iv) `McPal` out-phases obsolete dynamics of all others, while keeping to-be collaboration of the others ongoing. (v) `McPal` returns to hibernating by out-phasing its migration conducting dynamics and removing obsolete constraint control, while keeping to-be collaboration ongoing and continuing to do so thereafter. The above five steps constitute the backbone of `McPal`, serving as architectural redesigner as well as redirector of ongoing collaboration for all kinds of Paradigm models.

The above observations lead to the following conclusions. Conclusion 1: `McPal` is a pattern, for adaptation. Conclusion 2: `McPal`'s adaptation is on-the-fly of ongoing local and interaction dynamics, so it is without quiescence. The importance thereof is underlined by findings from related work below. Conclusion 3: PA techniques and model checking support can be well-integrated with `McPal`.

There is much research addressing dynamic system adaptation. Generally, formal analysis of the migration trajectory is ignored. Exceptions to this are mainly found in the WCAT community. In the setting of component-based software engineering, process languages and mobile calculi are used to express run-time adaptor modification for coupled COTS components [4,5,6,16]. However, tool support towards formal analysis of run-time adaptation has not been addressed so far. Moreover, whereas adaptors do change, components cannot, unless by replacement: they are from on-the-shelf.

Various studies, e.g. [19,2,8,18], rely on high-level flexibility in an architectural setting, allowing low-level variability of components only. This boils down to rearranging existent or foreseen component behaviors. New behavior can only be achieved by replacing the existing component by a new version, requiring halting that component if not a larger part of the system. Even in case of adaptation at

a detailed level and towards originally unforeseen behaviour, similar halting of the component to be adapted is generally required. Thus, actual adaptation is achieved by quiescence. In this manner it is not addressed how to adapt component behavior gradually, i.e., how to modify in detail ongoing behavior in an originally unforeseen direction, really on-the-fly. Only a few mention such more detailed dynamic adaptation of component. In [3] a first idea is formulated, formally specified on a low level, in relative isolation. A wide perspective is discussed in [15], as yet without theory (or enough operational details) enabling formal trajectory analysis, but pointing out the relevance of five techniques: reflection, probes, decomposition, generation and reification. It is interesting to see these mirrored in Paradigm-McPal. Reflection is present through the consistency rules in Crs. Probes as feed forward and feedback stimuli are present through traps and phases. Generation is McPal's conducting, fully dynamically woven into dynamical decomposition (gradually fading out before phasing out) as well as into dynamical reification (gradually fading in after kick off): reification on-the-fly of decomposition constituting generation, conducted by McPal.

For future research topics we see great opportunities in investigating patterns for all kinds of dynamic change, by modeling and analyzing them in tandem. Such changes occur naturally where management, improvement or flexibility is relevant: reconfiguration, requirements change, alignment, etc. Concerning McPal as introduced here, we plan to study extensions concerning consistent creation and deletion of STDs, detailed and global, and also multiple McPals together, hierarchically organized or as a federation.

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## A Process algebraic specifications of other components in the migration model

The detailed behaviour of  $\text{Worker}_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , in the migration model:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{WorkerMig}_i &= \text{Free}_i \\
 \text{Free}_i &= \text{at}!(\text{Free}_i) \cdot \text{Free}_i + \text{ok}?(begin_i) \cdot \text{NonCrit}_i \\
 \text{NonCrit}_i &= \text{ok}?(reserve_i) \cdot \text{Pre}_i \\
 \text{Pre}_i &= \text{at}!(\text{Pre}_i) \cdot \text{Pre}_i + \text{ok}?(pickUp_i) \cdot \text{Crit}_i \\
 \text{Crit}_i &= \text{ok}?(layDown_i) \cdot \text{Post}_i \\
 \text{Post}_i &= \text{ok}?(finish_i) \cdot \text{Free}_i + \text{ok}?(continue_i) \cdot \text{NonCrit}_i + \text{ok}?(hurry_i) \cdot \text{Pre}_i
 \end{aligned}$$

The roles  $\text{WorkerCS}_i$  and  $\text{WorkerEvol}_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , in the migration model:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{WorkerCSMig}_i &= \text{WorkerCSNotHavingTrivMig}_i \\
 \text{WorkerCSNotHavingTrivMig}_i &= \sum_{t \in \{\text{begin}, \text{reserve}\}} \text{ok}!(t_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSNotHavingTrivMig}_i + \\
 &\quad \text{at}?(PreMig_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSNotHavingRequestMig}_i + \\
 &\quad \text{emp}(\text{NotHaving}_i, \text{Without}_i, \text{trivMig}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithoutTrivMig}_i + \\
 &\quad \text{emp}(\text{NotHaving}_i, \text{Interrupt}_i, \text{trivMig}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSInterruptTrivMig}_i \\
 \text{WorkerCSNotHavingRequestMig}_i &= \text{emp}(\text{NotHaving}_i, \text{Having}_i, \text{requestAsIs}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSHavingMig}_i + \\
 &\quad \text{emp}(\text{NotHaving}_i, \text{Without}_i, \text{trivMig}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithoutTrivMig}_i + \\
 &\quad \text{emp}(\text{NotHaving}_i, \text{Interrupt}_i, \text{trivMig}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSInterruptTrivMig}_i \\
 \text{WorkerCSHavingTrivMig}_i &= \sum_{t \in \{\text{pickUp}, \text{layDown}, \text{finish}\}} \text{ok}!(t_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSHavingTrivMig}_i + \\
 &\quad \text{at}?(FreeMig_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSHavingDoneMig}_i \\
 \text{WorkerCSHavingDoneMig}_i &= \text{emp}(\text{Having}_i, \text{NotHaving}_i, \text{doneAsIs}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSNotHavingMig}_i + \\
 &\quad \text{emp}(\text{Having}_i, \text{Without}_i, \text{doneMig}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithoutTrivMig}_i
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{WorkerCSWithoutTrivMig}_i &= \sum_{t \in \{\text{finish}, \text{begin}, \text{reserve}, \text{continue}, \text{hurry}\}} \text{ok}!(t_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithoutTrivMig}_i + \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{Without}_i, \text{Interrupt}_i, \text{trivToBe}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSInterruptTrivMig} + \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{Without}_i, \text{Without}_i, \text{trivMig}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithoutTrivMig} \\
\text{WorkerCSInterruptTrivMig}_i &= \sum_{t \in \{\text{finish}, \text{begin}, \text{continue}\}} \text{ok}!(t_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSInterruptTrivMig}_i + \\
&\quad \sum_{s \in \{\text{Free}, \text{NonCrit}, \text{Post}\}} \text{at}?(s_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSInterruptNotYetMig}_i + \\
&\quad \text{at}?(PreMig_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSInterruptRequestMig}_i + \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{Interrupt}_i, \text{Interrupt}_i, \text{trivMig}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSInterruptTrivMig}_i \\
\text{WorkerCSInterruptNotYetMig}_i &= \sum_{t \in \{\text{finish}, \text{begin}, \text{continue}\}} \text{ok}!(t_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSInterruptNotYetMig}_i + \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{Interrupt}_i, \text{Without}_i, \text{notYetToBe}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithoutTrivMig}_i + \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{Interrupt}_i, \text{Interrupt}_i, \text{trivMig}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSInterruptTrivMig}_i \\
\text{WorkerCSInterruptRequestMig}_i &= \text{emp}(\text{Interrupt}_i, \text{With}_i, \text{requestToBe}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithTrivMig}_i + \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{Interrupt}_i, \text{Interrupt}_i, \text{trivMig}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSInterruptTrivMig}_i \\
\text{WorkerCSWithTrivMig}_i &= \sum_{t \in \{\text{finish}, \text{begin}, \text{continue}, \text{pickUp}, \text{layDown}\}} \text{ok}!(t_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithTrivMig}_i + \\
&\quad \sum_{s \in \{\text{Free}, \text{NonCrit}, \text{Post}\}} \text{at}?(s_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithDoneMig}_i + \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{With}_i, \text{With}_i, \text{trivMig}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithTrivMig}_i \\
\text{WorkerCSWithDoneMig}_i &= \sum_{t \in \{\text{finish}, \text{begin}, \text{continue}\}} \text{ok}!(t_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithDoneMig}_i + \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{With}_i, \text{Without}_i, \text{doneToBe}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithoutTrivMig}_i + \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{With}_i, \text{With}_i, \text{trivMig}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithTrivMig}_i \\
\text{WorkerEvolPhase1TrivMig}_i &= \sum_{t \in \{\text{finish}, \text{begin}, \text{reserve}, \text{pickUp}, \text{layDown}\}} \text{ok}!(t_i) \cdot \text{WorkerEvolPhase1TrivMig}_i + \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{Phase1}, \text{Phase2}, \text{trivMig}) \cdot \text{WorkerEvolPhase2TrivMig}_i \\
\text{WorkerEvolPhase2TrivMig}_i &= \sum_{t \in \text{LAct}(\text{WorkerMig}_i)} \text{ok}!(t_i) \cdot \text{WorkerEvolPhase2TrivMig}_i
\end{aligned}$$

Note, ternary synchronization  $\text{ok}?(t)|\text{ok}!(t)|\text{ok}(t) = \text{ok}(t)$  corresponds to vertical consistency of Workers.

## B Process algebraic specifications of to-be model

Worker<sub>*i*</sub> and roles WorkerCS<sub>*i*</sub>, WorkerEvol<sub>*i*</sub>, *i* = 1, 2, 3, in the to-be model:

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{WorkerToBe}_i &= \text{Free}_i \\
\text{Free}_i &= \text{at}!(\text{Free}_i) \cdot \text{Free}_i + \text{ok}?(begin_i) \cdot \text{NonCrit}_i \\
\text{NonCrit}_i &= \text{at}!(\text{NonCrit}_i) \cdot \text{NonCrit}_i + \text{ok}?(reserve_i) \cdot \text{Pre}_i \\
\text{Pre}_i &= \text{at}!(\text{Pre}_i) \cdot \text{Pre}_i + \text{ok}?(pickUp_i) \cdot \text{Crit}_i \\
\text{Crit}_i &= \text{at}!(\text{Crit}_i) \cdot \text{Crit}_i + \text{ok}?(layDown_i) \cdot \text{Post}_i \\
\text{Post}_i &= \text{at}!(\text{Post}_i) \cdot \text{Post}_i + \text{ok}?(finish_i) \cdot \text{Free}_i + \\
&\quad \text{ok}?(continue_i) \cdot \text{NonCrit}_i + \text{ok}?(hurry_i) \cdot \text{Pre}_i
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{WorkerCSToBe}_1 &= \text{WorkerCSInterruptTrivToBe}_1 \\
\text{WorkerCSToBe}_2 &= \text{WorkerCSWithoutTrivToBe}_2 \\
\text{WorkerCSToBe}_3 &= \text{WorkerCSWithoutTrivToBe}_3 \\
\text{WorkerCSWithoutTrivToBe}_i &= \sum_{t \in \{\text{finish}, \text{begin}, \text{reserve}, \text{continue}, \text{hurry}\}} \text{ok}!(t_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithoutTrivToBe}_i + \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{Without}_i, \text{Interrupt}_i, \text{trivToBe}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSInterruptTrivToBe} \\
\text{WorkerCSInterruptTrivToBe}_i &= \sum_{t \in \{\text{finish}, \text{begin}, \text{continue}\}} \text{ok}!(t_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSInterruptTrivToBe}_i + \\
&\quad \sum_{s \in \{\text{Free}, \text{NonCrit}, \text{Post}\}} \text{at}?(s_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSInterruptNotYetToBe}_i + \\
&\quad \text{at}?(PreToBe_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSInterruptRequestToBe}_i \\
\text{WorkerCSInterruptNotYetToBe}_i &= \sum_{t \in \{\text{finish}, \text{begin}, \text{continue}\}} \text{ok}!(t_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSInterruptNotYetToBe}_i + \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{Interrupt}_i, \text{Without}_i, \text{notYetToBe}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithoutTrivToBe}_i \\
\text{WorkerCSInterruptRequestToBe}_i &= \text{emp}(\text{Interrupt}_i, \text{With}_i, \text{requestToBe}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithTrivToBe}_i \\
\text{WorkerCSWithTrivToBe}_i &= \sum_{t \in \{\text{finish}, \text{begin}, \text{continue}, \text{pickUp}, \text{layDown}\}} \text{ok}!(t_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithTrivToBe}_i + \\
&\quad \sum_{s \in \{\text{Free}, \text{NonCrit}, \text{Post}\}} \text{at}?(s_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithDoneToBe}_i \\
\text{WorkerCSWithDoneToBe}_i &= \sum_{t \in \{\text{finish}, \text{begin}, \text{continue}\}} \text{ok}!(t_i) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithDoneToBe}_i + \\
&\quad \text{emp}(\text{With}_i, \text{Without}_i, \text{doneToBe}) \cdot \text{WorkerCSWithoutTrivToBe}_i
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{WorkerEvolToBe}_i = \text{WorkerEvolPhase2TrivToBe}_i$$

$$\text{WorkerEvolPhase2TrivToBe}_i = \sum_{t \in \text{LAct}(\text{WorkerToBe}_i)} \text{ok}!(t_i) \cdot \text{WorkerEvolPhase2TrivToBe}_i$$

Scheduler and role SchedulerEvol in the to-be model:

$$\text{SchedulerToBe} = \text{Checking}_1 \text{ToBe}$$

$$\text{HelpingToBe}_i = \text{man}(\text{proceedToBe}_i) \cdot \text{CheckingToBe}_{i+1}$$

$$\text{CheckingToBe}_i = \text{man}(\text{grantToBe}_i) \cdot \text{HelpingToBe}_i + \text{man}(\text{passToBe}_i) \cdot \text{CheckingToBe}_{i+1}$$

$$\text{SchedulerEvolToBe} = \text{SchEvolPhase2TrivToBe}$$

$$\text{SchEvolPhase2TrivToBe} = \sum_{t \in \text{LAct}(\text{SchToBe})} \text{ok}!(t) \cdot \text{SchEvolPhase2TrivToBe}$$

To express the collaboration of Scheduler and Workers in the to-be model in isolation, the relevant specifications from above are composed in parallel:

$$\text{SWSysToBe} = \partial_H (\|_i (\text{WorkerToBe}_i \parallel \text{WorkerCSToBe}_i) \parallel \text{SchedulerToBe})$$

with the synchronization defined as

$$\text{grantToBe}_i = \text{man}(\text{grantToBe}_i) \mid \text{ok}!(\text{grantToBe}_i) \mid \text{emp}(\text{Interrupt}_i, \text{With}_i, \text{requestToBe})$$

$$\text{proceedToBe}_i = \text{man}(\text{proceedToBe}_i) \mid \text{ok}!(\text{proceedToBe}_i) \mid$$

$$\text{emp}(\text{With}_i, \text{Without}_i, \text{doneToBe}) \mid \text{emp}(\text{Without}_{i+1}, \text{Interrupt}_{i+1}, \text{trivToBe})$$

$$\text{passToBe}_i = \text{man}(\text{passToBe}_i) \mid \text{ok}!(\text{passToBe}_i) \mid$$

$$\text{emp}(\text{Interrupt}_i, \text{Without}_i, \text{notYetToBe}) \mid \text{emp}(\text{Without}_{i+1}, \text{Interrupt}_{i+1}, \text{trivToBe})$$

Note, McPal does not communicate with other components, which can be concluded from the definition of synchronization above. Indeed, once the migration is done and the to-be behaviour is reached, running as it should, McPal returns to Hibernating

and remains under this constraint till the next migration. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{McPalToBe} &= \text{McPalContent} \\ \text{McPalObserving} &= \text{ok?}(\text{wantChange}) \cdot \text{McPalJITting} \\ \text{McPalJITting} &= \text{ok?}(\text{giveOut}) \cdot \delta \\ \text{McPalContent} &= \text{ok?}(\text{cleanUp}) \cdot \text{McPalObserving} \end{aligned}$$

and incorporated as a component of the to-be behaviour  $\text{SysToBe}$  specified as

$$\text{SysToBe} = \partial_{\text{H}} (\text{McPalToBe} \parallel \text{McPalEvolToBe} \parallel \text{SysToBe}')$$

$$\text{SysToBe}' = \parallel_i (\text{WorkerToBe}_i \parallel \text{WorkerCSToBe}_i \parallel \text{WorkerEvolToBe}_i) \parallel \text{SchedulerToBe} \parallel \text{SchedulerEvolToBe}$$

but it does not add any relevant behaviour. As usual  $\partial_{\text{H}}$  blocks all not synchronized communicating actions. Given the two specifications of  $\text{McPalToBe}$  and  $\text{McPalEvolToBe}$ , we can show that after renaming all  $\text{McPal}$  actions,  $\text{Act}(\text{McPalToBe})$ , into  $\tau$ ,  $\text{SysToBe}$  becomes branching bisimilar to  $\text{SWSysToBe}$  (Theorem 3.2).