## Monitoring Violations & Threats of Security & Dependability: The SERENITY approach

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## **Lecture objectives**

- To introduce the SERENITY approach to dynamic assembly and configuration of S&D solutions and the need for monitoring security and dependability properties at runtime
- To explain the SERENITY approach to monitoring and introduce the SERENITY runtime monitoring framework, called EVEREST
- To provide examples of using EVEREST for runtime monitoring of S&D properties
- To explain advanced features of EVEREST, namely the event diagnosis and the threat detection and reaction mechanisms



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### Part I: Overview of the SERENITY framework



## **Overview of SERENITY**

#### Aims:

Dynamic

- selection
- (re-) configuration
- integration, and
- deployment

of components that can realise Security and Dependability (S&D) solutions in applications, driven by S&D patterns

#### **Motivation:**

Applications

- Have continually changing S&D requirements
- Often need to operate in changing operational environments and contents
- Interact with dynamically assembled distributed components



Part I

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## An example: device position calculation





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Part I

# **An example:** Device location pattern (DLP)





### **Need for monitoring**

Runtime monitoring of S&D solutions is required in order to

- Check preconditions and invariants required for the correct operation of the solutions
- Verify dynamically that an S&D solution operates according to its specification in all circumstances (static verification and testing cannot provide a full guarantee for this)
- Predict possible violations of conditions and take (if possible) preemptive actions



## **DLP:** some monitoring conditions

• Availability of the location server:

Whenever the access control server makes a request for the location of a device to the location server it must receive a response (or otherwise no access decisions can be made or access will be continually overrestricted)

• Liveness of signal daemons in mobile devices:

Every device that is known to the control server should be sending signals to the location server periodically and the maximum period of not receiving a signal should not be less than *m* time units (or otherwise it won't be possible to calculate the position of the device)

Accuracy of location information:

The accuracy of the device location information that is provided by the location server must always (on average) exceed a certain accuracy threshold



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Part I

## **Monitoring rules of DLP pattern**





## **SERENITY Infrastructure**



#### SERENITY Runtime Framework

- Activates patterns and their executable implementations
- Sends monitoring rules to EVEREST
- Receives events from captors of pattern implementations and forwards them to EVEREST
- Polls EVEREST for results and executes actions according to them

#### **EVEREST**

- Is available as a service to the SERENITY runtime framework (SRF)
- Receives specifications of the rules to be monitored and runtime events from the SRF
- Performs the checking
- Can be polled for monitoring results



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#### Part I

#### The SERENITY monitoring infrastructure



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 Execute the action(s) specified for it (if any)



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- Start the process of checking its monitoring rules
- Activate the relevant S&D implementation and its captors

## When a monitoring rule is violated:

 Execute the action(s) specified for it (if any)

## When an S&D pattern is deactivated:

- Stop the process of checking its monitoring rules
- Deactivate the relevant S&D implementation and its captors



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- Predicts potential
   violations of monitoring
   rules based on historical
   data (threat detection
   tool TDT)


#### **Specification of monitorable S&D properties**



# **Specification of monitoring rules (1)**

- Monitoring rules: express the properties/requirements that need to be monitored
- General form

 $B_{t1} \Rightarrow H_{t2}$  (if  $B_{t1}$  is true then  $H_{t2}$  must be true)

- B<sub>t1</sub>:
  - rule's body (a conjunction of conditions, e.g. occurrences of events, conditions regarding the state of the system)
  - It is typically expressed as a conjunction of Happens, HoldsAt, relational or time predicates
- H<sub>t2</sub>:
  - rule's head (a number of consequences)
  - It is typically expressed as a conjunction of Happens, HoldsAt, relational or time predicates



# **Specification of monitoring rules (2)**

- Rules and assumptions are specified in Event Calculus a first order temporal logic language — in terms of
  - Events: things that happen within a system of instantaneous duration (e.g. receipt of component messages, execution of internal or system operations)
  - **Fluents**: conditions about the state of a system

relation(obj<sub>1</sub>, ..., obj<sub>N</sub>)

- Predefined predicates:
  - Happens(e, t, R(t1,t2)) occurrence of an event *e* of instantaneous duration at some time *t* within the time range R(t1,t2)
  - Initiates(e,f,t) fluent f starts to hold after the event e at time t.
  - Terminates(e,f,t) fluent f ceases to hold after the event e occurs at time t
  - HoldsAt(f,t) fluent f holds at time t.
  - Relational predicates: x REL y (e.g. EqualTo, NotEqualTo, ...)
  - Time predicates: t1 TREL t2 (e.g. TEqualTo, TLessThan ...)



# **Specification of monitoring rules (3)**



#### **Events: General form**

- e(\_id, \_senderRole, \_senderID, \_receiverRole, \_receiverID, \_status, \_signature \_sourceRole, \_sourceID))
- \_signature: the type of a message sent by the component/system
- \_status: indicates whether the message is incoming or outgoing
- \_senderRole: the role of the component that sends the message
- \_senderID: the id of the component that sends the message
- \_receiverRole: the role of the component that receives the message
- \_receiverID: the id of the component that receives the message
- \_sourceRole: the role of the component at which the message is captured
- \_sourceID: the id of the component at which the message is captured

*Events typically correspond to operations defined in the interfaces of the components of the S&D pattern* 



# **Specification of monitoring rules (4)**

- Other features
  - Calls to built-in functions implementing complex computations (e.g. statistical functions)

Happens( e(...,REQ, o(),...),  $t_1$ ,  $R(t_1, t_1)$ ) Happens( e(..., RES, o(),...),  $t_2$ ,  $R(t_1, t_2)$ ) HoldsAt(o\_response\_times(RT[]),  $t_2$ )  $\Rightarrow$  m:append(RT[],  $t_2 - t_1$ ),  $t_2$ ) HoldsAt(o\_response\_times(RT[]),  $t_1$ )  $\Rightarrow$  m:avg(RT[]) < k



### **Examples of monitoring rules:** Rule for location server availability

Part III



**Condition:** when the access control server sends a location request to the location server it should receive a response from it within 3 seconds



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Sender locationRequest(devID1,\_loc,\_prob) locationRequest(devID1, loc1, 0.98)

Access Control Server

**Location Server** 

Part III

**Condition:** when the access control server sends a location request to the location server it should receive a response from it within 3 seconds

```
      Rule 1

      Happens(e(_eID1, _controlServerRole, _controlServerID, _locationServerRole, _ locationServerID, REQ, locationRequest(_dev,_loc,_prob), _ _controlServerRole, _controlServerID), t1, R(t1, t1))

      ⇒

      Happens(e(_eID2, _locationServerRole, _locationServerID, _controlServerRole, _ locationRequest(_dev, _loc, _prob), _ _controlServerID, RES, locationRequest(_dev, _loc, _prob), _ _controlServerRole, _controlServerID), t2, R(t1+1, t1+3000))
```





**Condition:** Every mobile device that is known to the control server should be sending signals to the location server periodically and the maximum period of not receiving a signal should not be less than *m* time units

Can be specified by 2 rules:

- A rule for checking when the first signal from a mobile device should be received
- A rule for checking the continuous receipt of signals



### **Examples of monitoring rules:** Rules for liveness of device daemons





```
Rule 2:
```

```
Happens(e(_eID1, _cServerRole, _cServerID, _IServerRole, _IServerID, REQ,
locationRequest(_devID,_loc,_prob), _IServerRole, _IServerID), t1, R(t1,t1)) ^
```

```
¬∃t2. Happens(e(_eID2, _cServerRole, _cServerID, _IServerRole, _IServerID, REQ,
locationRequest(_devID,_loc1,_prob1), _IServerRole, _IServerID), t2, R(0,t1-1)) ⇒
```

```
It3. Happens(e(_eID3, _deviceRole, _devID, _lServerRole, _lServerID, RES, signal(_devID),
_lServerRole, _lServerID), t3, R(t1-m,t1))
```

#### **Rule 3:**

```
Happens(e(_eID1, _deviceRole, _devID, _lServerRole, _lServerID, REQ, signal(_devID),
_lServerRole, _lServerID), t1, R(t1,t1)) ⇒
```

```
Happens(e(_eID2, _deviceRole, _devID, _lServerRole, _lServerID, REQ, signal(_devID),
_lServerRole, _lServerID), t1, R(t1,t1+m)) ∧ _eID1 ≠ _eID2
```



### **Examples of monitoring rules:** Rule for accuracy of location information



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```
Rule 4
Happens(e(_eID1, _locationServerRole, _locationServerID, _controlServerRole,
    _controlServerID, RES, locationRequest(_dev,_loc,_prob), _controlServerRole,
    _controlServerID), t1, R(t1, t1))
⇒ _prob ≥ AT
```



## **Assumptions**

- Used to deduce information about the state of the system and/or the occurrence of events
- Two types:
  - Monitoring assumptions: express how the state of a "system" that is being monitored is affected by events
  - Diagnostic assumptions: express expected patterns of correlated events (e.g. sequences of operation calls)
- Have the same general form with rules:

 $\mathrm{B_{t1}} \Rightarrow \mathrm{H_{t2}}$ 

- B<sub>t1</sub>: assumption's body (a conjunction of Happens, HoldsAt, relational or time predicates
- H<sub>t2</sub>: assumption's head
  - In monitoring assumptions: a conjunction of fluent initiation and/or termination predicates (Initiates, Terminates predicates)
  - In diagnostic assumptions: a conjunction of Happens predicates



### **Assumptions:** example



Condition: A device requesting access to a resource must have been authenticated



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```
 \begin{array}{l} \textbf{Rule 5} \\ \textbf{Happens}(e((\_elD1,,\_sndRole,\_sndID, \_\_recRole,\_recID, REQ, \textbf{requestAccess}(\_devID,\_resID), \_recRole,\_recID), t_1, \\ R(t_1, t_1)) \Rightarrow \\ \textbf{HoldsAt}(AUTHENTICATED(\_devID), t_1, R(t_1, t_1)) \\ \textbf{Assumption A1 (monitoring assumption)} \\ \textbf{Happens}(e(\_elD2,\_recRole,\_recID, \_\_senRole,\_senID, RES, \textbf{connect}(\_devID,\_res) \\ \_recRole,\_recID), t_1, R(t_1, t_1)) \land \_res = True \Rightarrow \\ \textbf{Initiates}(e(\_elD2, ...), AUTHENTICATED(\_devID), t_1, R(t_1, t_1)) \\ \end{array}
```



# **Monitoring Process**

- It is based on a generic event calculus reasoning engine (see [1,6,7,8])
- Rule checking using
  - Runtime events
  - Fluents established by assumptions (deductive reasoning)
- Checks cover both past and bounded future EC formulas
  - Past formulas:
    - Happens(  $e_1$ ,  $t_1$ ,  $R(t_1$ ,  $t_1$ ))  $\Rightarrow$  Happens(  $e_2$ ,  $t_2$ ,  $R(0, t_1)$ )
  - Bounded Future formulas:

Happens(  $e_1$ ,  $t_1$ ,  $R(t_1$ ,  $t_1$ ))  $\Rightarrow$  Happens(  $e_2$ ,  $t_2$ ,  $R(t_1$ ,  $t_1+K$ ))

- Ability to analyse
  - events captured from distributed sources with different clocks
  - events arriving at the monitor not in the same order as the order of their capture



#### **Advanced Capabilities (Diagnosis and Prediction)**



## Monitoring process: diagnostic capabilities

• Given a violation of an S&D monitoring rule

 $\mathsf{R:} \mathsf{E}_1, \mathsf{E}_2, \mathsf{E}_3, ..., \mathsf{E}_n \Rightarrow \mathsf{E}_{n+1}$ 

Calculate beliefs in the genuineness of the events  $E_1, E_2, ..., \neg E_{n+1}$ which are involved in the violation since events might be the result of an attack or fault

- Overall Approach (see [5] and [7])
  - The genuineness of an event depends on the ability to find a valid explanation for it
    - An event explanation is a logical combination of other events and states of the system which would have the event as a consequence
    - An event explanation is considered to be valid if it has as consequences other events which have also been observed and are genuine
  - Possible event explanations are generated by abductive reasoning using the monitoring specifications of the active patterns of the system that is being monitored
  - Event genuineness is assessed by beliefs computed according the Dempster-Shafer theory of evidence



## **Diagnosis:** Assessing Event Genuineness

#### **Belief in event genuineness:**

#### Assumption:

An event is genuine if there is at least one valid explanation for it, i.e., an explanation whose further consequences (if any) are genuine

#### Process:

- Generate explanations using abductive reasoning and a system behaviour model (expressed as assumptions in EC-Assertion)
- Check explanation validity by checking if the expected consequences of an explanation are genuine events themselves
- Limit analysis to a period "around" the event (diagnosis window)

#### **Belief functions:**

$$\begin{split} \mathsf{m}(\mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{i}}) &= \mathsf{m}^{\mathsf{o}}(\mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{i}}) \times \{\Sigma_{\mathsf{J}\subseteq\mathsf{EXP}(\mathsf{E}\mathsf{i})\mathsf{and}\; \mathsf{J}_{\neq\varnothing}}(-1)^{|\mathsf{J}|+1}\{\Pi_{\mathsf{x}\in\mathsf{J}}\;\mathsf{mv}\left(\mathsf{x},\mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{i}}\right)\} \\ &= \mathsf{m}^{\mathsf{o}}(\mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{i}}) \times \beta_{1} \\ \mathsf{mv}(\mathsf{x},\mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{i}}) &= \Sigma_{\mathsf{S}\subseteq\mathsf{Cons}\left(\mathsf{x}/\mathsf{E}\mathsf{i}\right)\;\mathsf{and}\;\mathsf{S}_{\neq\varnothing}}(-1)^{|\mathsf{S}|+1}\{\Pi_{\mathsf{e}\in\mathsf{S}}\;\mathsf{m}(\mathsf{e},\mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{i}})\} \\ &= \beta_{2} \end{split}$$

If  $EXP(E_i) \neq \emptyset$ Otherwise If  $Cons(x/E_i) \neq \emptyset$ Otherwise



# **Diagnosis:** Example



 Condition: no user should be allowed to login onto different parts of the WiFi network simultaneously (to reduce scope for masquerading attacks):

```
<u>Rule-5</u>:
```

```
\forall _U: User; _C1: Client; _C2, _C3: NetworkController; t1, t2:Time

Happens(e(_E1, _C1Role, _C1, _C2Role, _C2,REQ, login(_U,_C1), _C2Role, _C2),

t1,ℜ(t1,t1)) ∧

Happens(e(_E2, _C1Role, _C1, _C3Role, _C3,REQ, login(_U,_C1), _C3Role, _C3),

t2,ℜ(t1,t2)) ∧ _C2 ≠ _C3

⇒
```

3 t3: Time **Happens**(e(\_E3,\_C1,\_C2,REQ, logout(\_U,\_C1), \_C2),t3,ℜ(t1+1,t2-1))



### **Diagnosis:** Example





## **Diagnosis:** Example



- signal(101) @ t∈[6050,10050)
- InPremises(101,n1) @ t∈[9050,10050) ⇒
   accessTo(101, \_) @ t∈[9050,69050)



## **Diagnosis:** Example





# Monitoring process: threat detection capabilities

Part IV

Detection of potential violations of S&D monitoring rules

$$\mathsf{R:} \mathsf{E}_1, \mathsf{E}_2, \mathsf{E}_3, \dots, \mathsf{E}_n \Rightarrow \mathsf{E}_{n+1}$$

Calculate belief that R will be violated given the observation of a subset of  $E_1, E_2, ..., E_{n+1}$ 

- Events might
  - Not be observed in the order they are expected by R
  - Be the result of an attack or fault (and therefore a belief in their genuineness needs to be estimated; see diagnosis)
- Approach (see [1])
  - Use DS beliefs to measure the likelihood of events genuineness and the likelihood of conditional event occurrence
  - Negate the rule to get the exact pattern of events that violates it
  - Construct a belief network indicating how beliefs in the violation of the rule can be updated as partial evidence about events in the pattern emerges



# Threat detection: Belief graphs

• Negate the rule

#### Rule-5 attack signature:

 $\forall \_U: User; \_C1: Client; \_C2, \_C3: NetworkController; t1, t2:Time \\ \textbf{Happens}(e(\_E1,\_C1Role,\_C1,\_C2Role,\_C2,REQ, login(\_U,\_C1,\_C2),\_C2Role,\_C2),t1,\Re (t1,t1)) \land \\ \textbf{Happens}(e(\_E2,\_C1Role,\_C1,\_C3Role,\_C3,REQ, login(\_U,\_C1,\_C3),\_C3Role,\_C3),t2,\Re (t1,t2)) \land \_C2 \neq \_C3 \\ \Rightarrow \forall t3:Time \neg \textbf{Happens}(e(\_E3,\_C1Role,\_C1,\_C2Role,\_C2,REQ, logout(\_U,\_C1,\_C2), \_C2Role,\_C2),t3,\Re(t1+1,t2-1))$ 

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 $\Rightarrow \forall t3: Time \neg Happens(e(\_E3,\_C1Role,\_C1,\_C2Role, \_C2,REQ, logout(\_U,\_C1,\_C2), \_C2Role, \_C2), t3, \Re(t1+1, t2-1))$ 

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# **Threat Detection:** Belief functions

#### **Conditional belief in event occurrences:**

 $m_{i|j}(e_i) = \frac{\sum_{e \in Elog(Ej)} m(e) \times \{\sum_{J \subseteq Elog(Ei|e)and J \neq \emptyset} (-1)^{|J|+1} \{\prod_{x \in J} m(x)\}}{\sum_{e \in Elog(Ej)} m(e)}$ 

$$m_{i|j}(\neg e_i) = \frac{\sum_{e_j \in Elog(E_j)} m(e) \times \{\sum_{e_i \in Elog(E_i|e_j)} m(\neg e_i)\}}{\sum_{e_i \in Elog(E_i)} m(e)}$$

- Elog(E<sub>j</sub>): Sample of N (sample size) randomly selected E<sub>j</sub> events within the given sampling period
- Elog(E<sub>i</sub>|e): set of the events of type E<sub>i</sub> in the event log that have occurred within the time period determined by *e* and up to the time point when *m<sub>i/i</sub>* is calculated
- m(e)/m(x): basic belief in genuineness of e/x



## **Threat Detection:** Example





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 login(u1, 101, n1) @ t=10050 occurs





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## **Threat Detection:** Example

 login(u1, 101, n1) @ t=10050 occurs

 $E_{1}$   $m_{1|2}$   $m_{3|2}$   $m_{1|2}$   $m_{2|1}$   $m_{3|2}$   $m_{2|1}$   $m_{2|1}$   $m_{3|2}$   $m_{3|2}$   $m_{3|2}$ 

$$\begin{split} m_1(E1) &= k_1 = 0.8 \\ m_1(\neg E1) &= k_1' = 0.1 \\ m_{2|1} & (E2|E1) = k_{21} = 0.6 \\ m_{2|1} & (\neg E2|E1) = k_{21}' = 0.4 \\ m_{3|1} & (E3|E1) = k_{31} = 0.2 \\ m_{3|1} & (\neg E3|E1) = k_{31}' = 0.6 \end{split}$$



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Part IV



• login(u1, 101, n1) (a)  
t=10050 occurs  

$$m_{1}(E1) = k_{1} = 0.8$$

$$m_{1}(\neg E1) = k_{1}' = 0.1$$

$$m_{2|1} (E2|E1) = k_{21} = 0.6$$

$$m_{2|1} (\neg E2|E1) = k_{21}' = 0.4$$

$$m_{3|1} (E3|E1) = k_{31} = 0.2$$

$$m_{3|1} (\neg E3|E1) = k_{31}' = 0.6$$

$$\frac{k_{31}^{\circ}k_{21}k_{1} + k_{31}^{\circ}k_{1}(1 - k_{21} - k_{21}^{\circ}) + k_{31}^{\circ}k_{21}(1 - k_{1} - k_{1}^{\circ})}{1 - (k_{31}^{\circ}k_{21}^{\circ}(1 - k_{1}^{\circ}) + k_{31}^{\circ}k_{21}^{\circ}(1 - k_{1}^{\circ}))} = 0.45$$

### **Threat Detection:** Example

## Threat Detection: Evaluation

#### **Evaluated properties**

- Threat reaction time:  $TRT = T_{mon} T_{TDT}$
- Precision:  $PR = TTS_{BR} / (TTS_{BR} + FTS_{BR})$ 
  - TTS<sub>BR</sub>: number of threat signals with a belief in a given range (BR) that ended up to eventual violations of the relevant rule detected by the EVEREST monitor (true signals)
  - FTS<sub>BR</sub>: number of the threat signals with belief in a given range (BR) that did not correspond to an eventual violation of the relevant rule
- Analysis of effect of
  - Diagnosis window (DW)
  - Sample size (SS)

#### Set up

- Simulation of workflow of LBACS system
- 8 sets of 2,000 events (different variances in inter-event arrival times)



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## **Threat Detection:** TRT

EXP	vv	DW	SS	pos %	neg %	ave TRT	max TRT	min TRT
1	0.3	15000	10	77.54	21.51	9.3	852.5	-4.2
2	0.3	20000	15	73.21	26.53	10.4	753.9	-4.5
3	0.5	15000	10	80.18	19.02	12.5	1137	-1.9
4	0.5	20000	15	72.08	27.39	13.2	1111	-3
5	0.6	15000	10	79.45	20.03	12.3	1077	-2.3
6	0.6	20000	15	74.87	24.74	14	1077	-29
7	0.9	15000	10	80.24	18.85	13.6	1077	-3
8	0.9	20000	15	74.87	24.74	14.1	1077	-29

TRT (secs)

- Average threat reaction time: 9.3 to 14.1 seconds
- Sufficient time for taking some types of pre-emptive action (e.g. deactivation of system components)



### Threat detection: precision



- Varied from 78% to 83%
- Diagnosis window (DW) and sample size (SS) increments caused marginal increase in it (≤ 1.8 %) – see Exp1/Exp2, Exp3/Exp4, Exp5/Exp6, Exp7/Exp8 (caused maximum increase)



#### Part V: Reaction



# **Reaction to monitoring results**

- In some cases, following the detection of a problem whilst monitoring an S&D solution it might be possible to take some action that
  - Rectifies the problem, and/or
  - Prevents further harm
- Examples: In LBACS:
  - If the location server becomes unavailable, it might be necessary to deactivate the operation of the system unless the problem is repaired (action 1)
  - If more than X location sensors become unavailable the system may switch to WiFi only access control solution and access to certain resources may be deactivated (action 2)
- Some actions are possible to automate ...



## **Our approach in SERENITY**

- Reactions are realised by actions taken at runtime by the SERENITY Runtime Framework following the receipt of monitoring results from EVEREST
- Specification of actions:

Rule specification = EC formula + [ (action<sub>1</sub>, cnd<sub>1</sub>), ..., (action<sub>N</sub>, cnd<sub>N</sub>)]

- Semantics:
  - Each of the actions (*action<sub>i</sub>*) is executed only if the condition associated with it is also satisfied (*cnd<sub>i</sub>*)
  - The actions are executed in the exact order that they appear in the rule specification
- The SRF supports only predefined types of actions
- Complex conditions may be associated with actions


### **Predefined action types**

- Action types
  - DeactivatePattern()
  - RestartPattern()
  - NotifySRF(String external\_SRF\_ID, String Message)
  - NotifyApplication(String message)
  - StopMonitoringRules(String ruleID1, String ruleID2,... String ruleIDn)
  - StartMonitoringRules(String ruleID1, String ruleID2,... String ruleIDn)
  - Log()



### **Monitoring results**

Basic monitoring

#### **Rule:** $E_{1\prime}$ $E_{2\prime}$ $E_{3\prime}$ ..., $E_n \Rightarrow E_{n+1}$

- detect whether  $\mathbf{E}_{1}, \mathbf{E}_{2}, \mathbf{E}_{3}, \dots, \mathbf{E}_{n}, \neg \mathbf{E}_{n+1}$  has happened
- RESULTS: Instances of the events E<sub>1</sub>, E<sub>2</sub>, E<sub>3</sub>, ..., E<sub>n</sub>, ¬ E<sub>n+1 that</sub> have caused the violation are returned by EVEREST

#### Monitoring with enabled diagnosis

- **Rule:**  $E_{1'}$   $E_{2'}$   $E_{3'}$  ...,  $E_n \Rightarrow E_{n+1}$
- detect whether  $E_{1}$ ,  $E_{2}$ ,  $E_{3}$ , ...,  $E_{n}$ ,  $\neg E_{n+1}$  are genuine
- RESULTS: As in core monitoring + a belief range [Bel(E<sub>i</sub>), 1-Bel(¬ E<sub>i</sub>)] indicating the belief in the genuineness of each of the events E<sub>i</sub>

#### Treat detection

#### **Rule:** $E_{1\prime}$ $E_{2\prime}$ $E_{3\prime}$ ..., $E_n \Rightarrow E_{n+1}$

- Given a subset of seen events OE ⊂ {E<sub>1</sub>, E<sub>2</sub>, E<sub>3</sub>, ..., E<sub>n</sub>} calculate the probability that {E<sub>1</sub>, E<sub>2</sub>, E<sub>3</sub>, ..., E<sub>n</sub>} OE ∪ {¬E<sub>n+1</sub>} will occur
- **RESULTS:** instances of the seen set of events OE, belief ranges for their genuineness + a belief range for a potential violation of the rule



### **Monitoring results**

Reported to SRF in XML





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## **Monitoring results**





### **Monitoring results**

 At the level of individual conditions





### **Monitoring results**





### **Monitoring results**





#### Attachment of actions to rules





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Specification of guard conditions for actions





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#### Actions: example 1

Rule-5: $\forall$  \_U: User; \_C1: Client; \_C2, \_C3: NetworkController; t1, t2:TimeHappens(e(\_E1, \_C1R, \_C1, \_C2R, \_C2, REQ, login(\_U, \_C1), \_C2R, \_C2), t1,  $\Re$ (t1, t1))  $\land$ Happens(e(\_E2, \_C1R, \_C1, \_C3R, \_C3, REQ, login(\_U, \_C1), \_C3R, \_C3), t2,  $\Re$ (t1, t2))  $\land$  \_C2  $\neq$ \_C3 $\Rightarrow$   $\exists$  t3: Time Happens(e(\_E3, \_C1, \_C2, REQ, logout(\_U, \_C1), \_C2), t3,  $\Re$ (t1+1, t2-1))



### Actions: example 1

Rule-5: ∀ U: User; C1: Client; C2, C3: NetworkController; t1, t2:Time **Happens**(e( E1, C1R, C1, C2R, C2,REQ, login( U, C1), C2R, C2), t1, R(t1,t1)) A **Happens**(e(\_E2, \_C1R , \_C1, \_C3R, \_C3,REQ, login(\_U,\_C1),\_C3R, \_C3), t2,ℜ(t1,t2)) ∧ \_C2 ≠ \_C3  $\Rightarrow$   $\exists$  t3: Time **Happens**(e(E3, C1, C2, REQ, logout(U, C1), C2), t3,  $\Re(t1+1, t2-1)$ ) <action> <actionOperationName>NotifyApplication</actionOperationName> <variable persistent="0" forMatching="false"> <varName>userId</varName><varType>string</varType> <value>/resultsdesc/results/formula/body/predicate[0]/happens/ic\_term/variable[0] /varName[text()=" U"]/value</value> </variable> <quardCondition negated="false"> <condition negated="false"> <equalTo> <operand1><queryOperand> <document><name>R5 Result</name><type>MonitoringResults</type></document> <xpath>/resultsdesc/results/formula[@status] </xpath> </gueryOperand></operand1> <operand2><constant><type>STRING</type>

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</operand2>

</equalTo>

</condition>

</guardCondition>

</action>

Action taken if *Rule-5* is violated



#### Actions: example 2

Rule-5: $\forall$  \_U: User; \_C1: Client; \_C2, \_C3: NetworkController; t1, t2:TimeHappens(e(\_E1, \_C1R, \_C1, \_C2R, \_C2,REQ, login(\_U,\_C1), \_C2R, \_C2), t1,  $\Re$ (t1,t1))  $\land$ Happens(e(\_E2, \_C1R, \_C1, \_C3R, \_C3,REQ, login(\_U,\_C1), \_C3R, \_C3), t2,  $\Re$ (t1,t2))  $\land$  \_C2  $\neq$ \_C3 $\Rightarrow$   $\exists$  t3: Time Happens(e(\_E3,\_C1,\_C2,REQ, logout(\_U,\_C1), \_C2), t3,  $\Re$ (t1+1,t2-1))



### Actions: example 2

Rule-5: $\forall$  \_U: User; \_C1: Client; \_C2, \_C3: NetworkController; t1, t2:TimeHappens(e(\_E1, \_C1R, \_C1, \_C2R, \_C2,REQ, login(\_U,\_C1), \_C2R, \_C2), t1,  $\Re(t1,t1)$ )  $\land$ Happens(e(\_E2, \_C1R, \_C1, \_C3R, \_C3,REQ, login(\_U,\_C1), \_C3R, \_C3), t2,  $\Re(t1,t2)$ )  $\land$  \_C2  $\neq$ \_C3 $\Rightarrow$   $\exists$  t3: Time Happens(e(\_E3,\_C1,\_C2,REQ, logout(\_U,\_C1), \_C2), t3,  $\Re(t1+1,t2-1)$ )

<action>

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#### Actions: example 3

Rule-5: $\forall$  \_U: User; \_C1: Client; \_C2, \_C3: NetworkController; t1, t2:TimeHappens(e(\_E1, \_C1R, \_C1, \_C2R, \_C2, REQ, login(\_U, \_C1), \_C2R, \_C2), t1,  $\Re$ (t1, t1))  $\land$ Happens(e(\_E2, \_C1R, \_C1, \_C3R, \_C3, REQ, login(\_U, \_C1), \_C3R, \_C3), t2,  $\Re$ (t1, t2))  $\land$  \_C2  $\neq$ \_C3 $\Rightarrow$   $\exists$  t3: Time Happens(e(\_E3, \_C1, \_C2, REQ, logout(\_U, \_C1), \_C2), t3,  $\Re$ (t1+1, t2-1))



### Actions: example 3

Rule-5: $\forall$  \_U: User; \_C1: Client; \_C2, \_C3: NetworkController; t1, t2:TimeHappens(e(\_E1, \_C1R, \_C1, \_C2R, \_C2,REQ, login(\_U,\_C1), \_C2R, \_C2), t1,  $\Re$ (t1,t1))  $\land$ Happens(e(\_E2, \_C1R, \_C1, \_C3R, \_C3,REQ, login(\_U,\_C1), \_C3R, \_C3), t2,  $\Re$ (t1,t2))  $\land$  \_C2  $\neq$ \_C3 $\Rightarrow$   $\exists$  t3: Time Happens(e(\_E3,\_C1,\_C2,REQ, logout(\_U,\_C1), \_C2), t3,  $\Re$ (t1+1, t2-1))

<action>

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<operand2><constant><type>DOUBLE</type> <value>0.6</value></constant>

</operand2>

</greaterThan>

</condition>

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</action>

# Action taken if the belief in the genuineness of second login is less than 0.4



### Conclusions

- SERENITY provides an infrastructure for selecting and deploying S&D solutions at runtime based on S&D patterns
- It also provides a monitoring framework for runtime checks of conditions related to the correct operation of S&D patterns
- These conditions are specified as monitoring rules in Event Calculus
- Monitoring rules are specified as part of S&D patterns and need to be accompanied by the actions that should be taken when they are violated
- The monitoring infrastructure provides
  - basic monitoring and diagnosis capabilities
  - threat detection capabilities (i.e., detection of potential violations of monitoring rules)



### **Ongoing work**

- Extension of predictive capabilities of EVEREST to support forecasting of violations of aggregate properties (e.g., MTTF, MTTR)
- Extension of EVEREST to support protocols for reliable messaging (WS-ReliableMessaging) and message authentication (WS-Security)
- Support for evolution of S&D solutions both at the pattern and the implementation level



### **Main resources**

#### SERENITY Book

Spanoudakis G., Mana A., Kokolakis S.: Security and dependability for Ambient Intelligence, Advances in Information Security Book Series, Springer, ISBN-978-0-387-88775-3, 2009

#### SERENITY Forum

www.serenity-forum.org

Includes technical reports, papers, examples of S&D patterns, tutorials e.t.c



# Thank you



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