DCS DAYS

FORMAL METHODS AND SOFTWARE (LEGAL) LIABILITY:

A formal approach to build systems that generate digital evidence

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About me

- Master's degree in Computer Science Brazil, 2008
 - Malware detection using data mining techniques
- Internship at INRIA Grenoble, June 2008
 - SIMple language to help to define privacy policies.
 - Automate privacy policy manipulation
- PhD at VERIMAG Grenoble, Nov. 2008
 - Project LISE

LISE: Liability Issues in Software Engineering

Context

- Responsibility

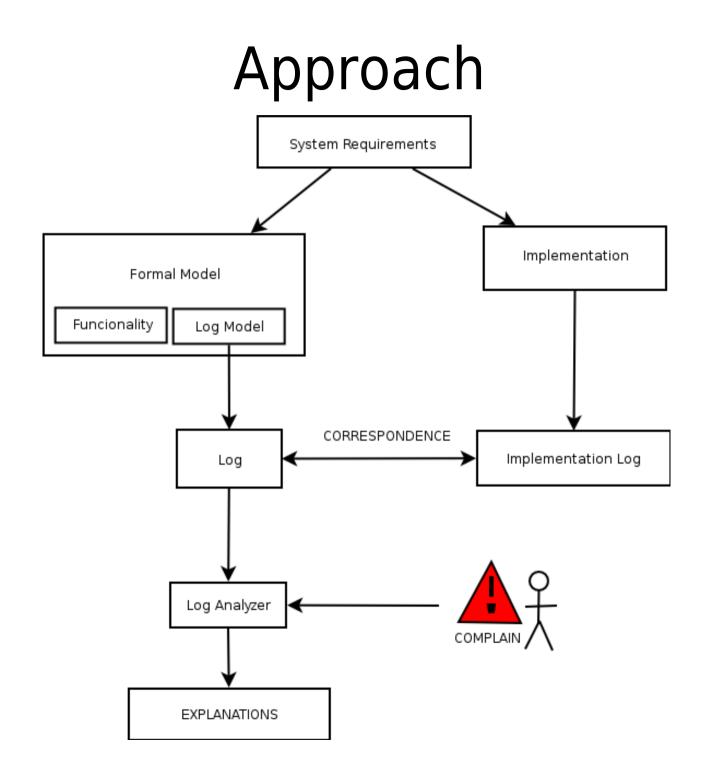
- With system more complex is important to know who is responsible
 - Example: system that use open-source or third party components

- Digital evidences

- What can be legally used as digital evidence? How to formalize it?
- **Contract** made between legal parts
 - The main object of LISE
 - it should contains agreements about responsibility and digital evidences

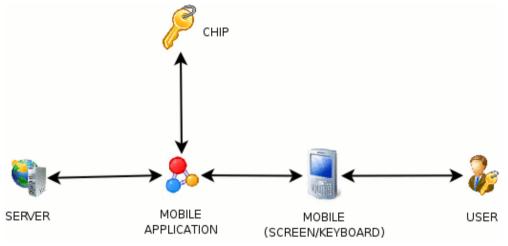
Specific objective for VERIMAG

- Propose a language for formally describe the responsibility of legal parts in contracts
- Formal specification of **log** as digital evidence
- Create a Log Analyzer, to determine the responsibility, based on the log, when a dysfunction occurs
- Approach:
 - System composed with actors
 - Log: communication registry between actors
 - The log can never be corrupted the information registered corresponds exactly what it happened



Study case

• Signature system in mobile



- Examples of problems:
 - User alleges that he has never signed any document
 - User alleges that he has signed document by the signature is not in server

Challenges - Specification

- Formal specification of:
 - responsibility
 - how to formally define responsibility?
 - how to formalize responsibility with so many different situations? Example: casual responsibility
 - dysfunction
 - how define dysfunctions and make the link with its responsible actors
 - log (and log properties)
 - completeness logs should contain all information necessary to establish the responsibility
 - minimality logs should contain the minimum information possible without loose the completeness

Challenges - Analysis

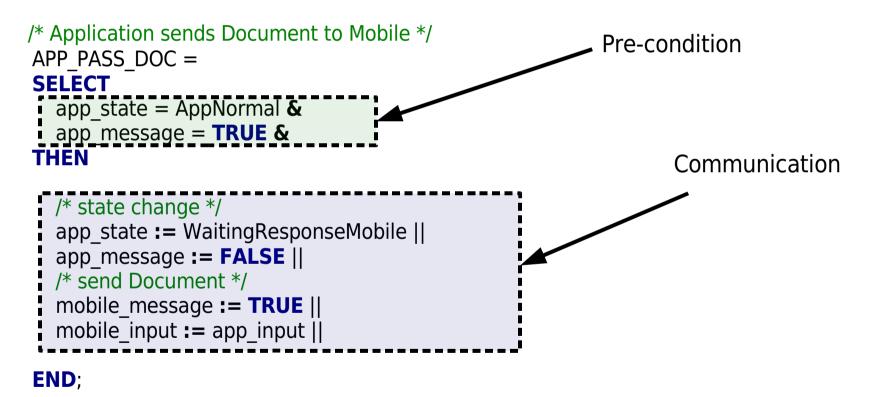
- Trace Analyzer
 - Procedure to determine responsibilities
 - Production of digital evidence
- Distributed registered log
 - each actor has its own log
- Partial concrete log
 - log always has a limited size
 - not all actors can be logged
 - hardware
 - protected software

Approach

- Functional model
 - General specification of the system using the B formal language
 - Actors (User, Mobile, Server, ...)
 - Events (Server send document to mobile application, ...)
 - Trace (server_log, mobile_log, ...)
 - Automatic generation of the log based on communication between actors
- Global dysfunction
 - Collusion the application do not ask the PIN and send the document direct to chip
 - Independent dysfunctions mobile shows a different document and the user agree but enter a incorrect PIN
 - Complementary dysfunctions the user accept and put the correct PIN, but the 10 application do not send the user the message that the PIN was incorrect

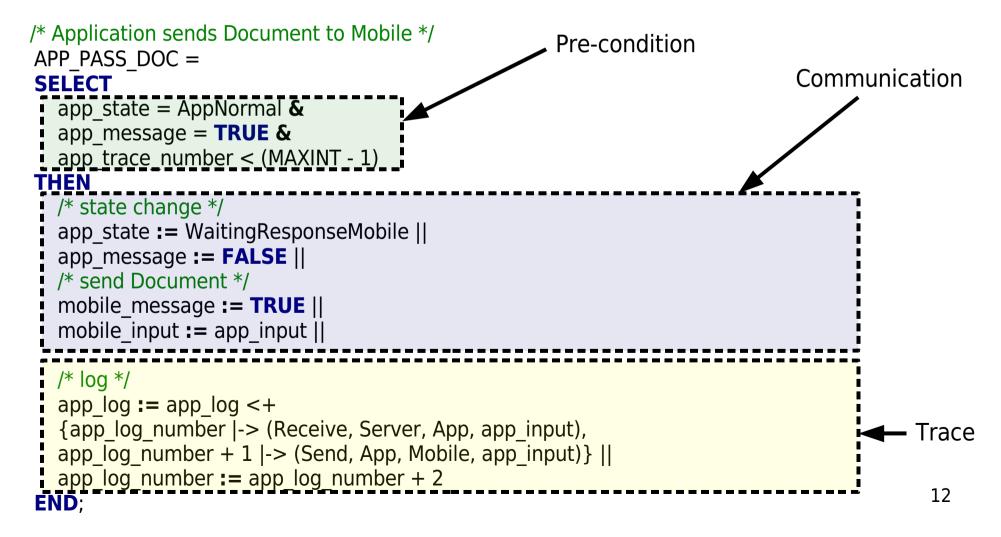
Study case – B model

Communication



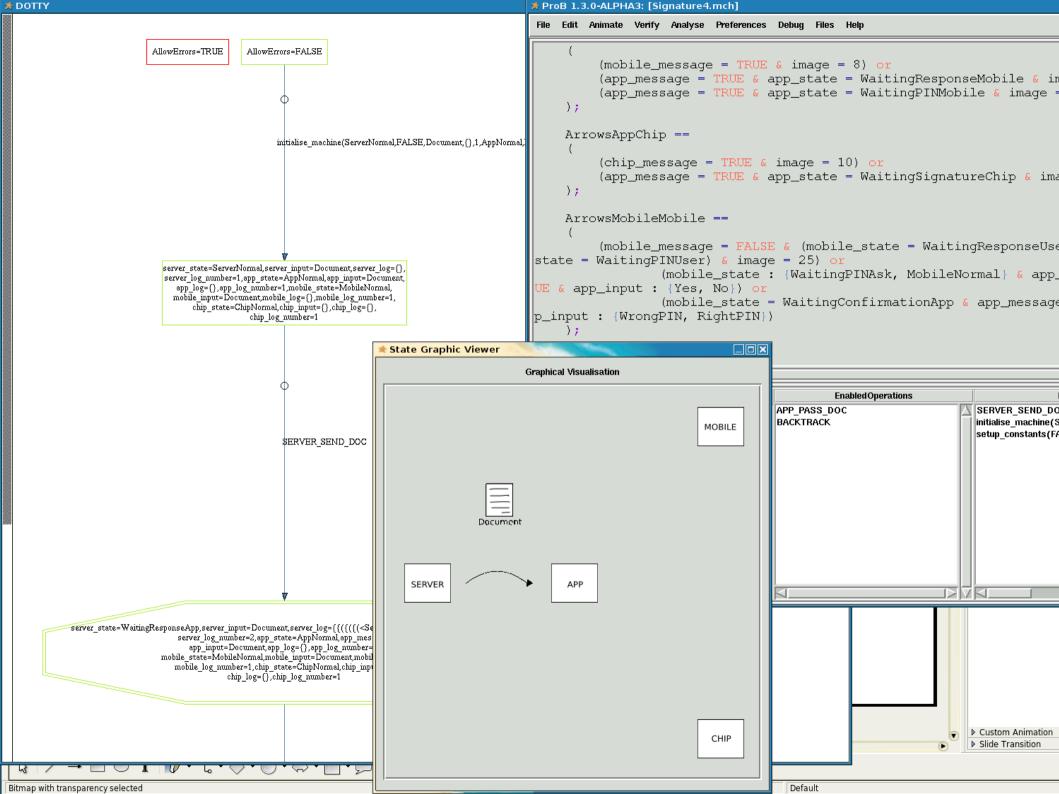
Study case – B model

Communication with trace



Tools

- Objective
 - create tools graphically visualize:
 - responsible actors
 - digital evidence creation process
- Graphic Animation
 - System events
 - illustrates the how the system works and when communication is passed between actors
 - System states
 - visualization of the system variable through the events of the system as graphs



Utiliser des ordres partiels pour modéliser, vérifier et superviser des systèmes parallèles et répartis

- Thomas Gazagnaire PhD thesis, 2008
- Supervision to help interpretations of logs with great amount of information
 - with total observation
 - with partial observation not every event is possible to be observable
 - techniques based on deductions

Diagnostic

technique to, from the model and observation, build possible compatible explanations

Events correlation

 Based on diagnostic results make conclusions about non observable events

Thank you

Questions? Suggestions? Comments?