A Methodology for Designing High Confidence Pattern via Event-B: Insulin Infusion Pump Case Study

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Abstract: The correct formal design is an achievement in software engineering, but we faced with challenges to satisfy that. The informal problems types are general or special. The special informal problems depend on the case study and the general informal problems come from an inexperienced designer called anti-patterns*. In this paper we discuss these two types on Insulin Infusion Pump (IIP) and sample of UML class diagrams. The proposed approach to formalize IIP is based on using event B. Finally, we could verify that the code generated from the proposed approach is correct and formal to use as a pattern. The accuracy of the proposed verification steps are suitable for using to any systems or medical device. We applied the proposed approach on the sample of eight famous UML class diagrams used as templates. The method ameliorates the proof percentage.

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I. Introduction

Insulin Infusion pumps are medical devices used to drugs delivery to patients at specific rates and in precise amounts. It is necessary to design and manufacture of these medical devices correctly so as for ensuring the safety of patients and defects, but there are many of the informal problems types are general like anti-pattern or special problems such as in the IIP.

There are many works introduce to detect only special problems like in references [1], [2] and [3]. In addition, there were many works for the general problems detection such as in references [4], [5] and [6], but our proposed method covered all the informal problems (special and general). In addition, Using Formal methods languages like Event-B can be support mathematical reasoning required for detecting this kind of problems.

Formal methods can, and must play an important role to verify the system requirements, and in guaranteeing the correctness, reliability and safety of developing system software. Since software plays an important role in all fields as the medical field, like the FDA, it needs an effective way to evaluate embedded in the devices. That is to certify the systems developed and to guarantee the safe behavior of each system [7,8,9]. Many people believe that formal methods have the potential to develop dependable, safe and secure systems that are also more amenable to certification with required features that can be used to certify dependable medical systems [9,10].

Event-B is a formal method for specifying, modeling and reasoning systems. Event-B is an evolution of the B-Method [11] developed by Jean-Raymond Abrial. A model in Event-B consists of contexts and machines, Contexts contain the static part (types and constants) of a model while Machines contain the dynamic part (variables and events). The modeling elements of a context [12, 13] have four types: sets, constants, axioms, and theorems. A Machine consists of variables, invariants, events, theorems and variants. Variables, v, define the state of a model. All events are Atomic and can be executed only when their guards hold [4]. There are various relationships between contexts and machines. A context can be “extended” by other contexts and “referenced” or “seen” by machines. A Machine can be "refined" by other machines and can reference to contexts as its static part.

A Design pattern is a general repeatable solution to a problem which usually occurring in software design. It’s not a finished design which can be converted directly into code. But It is a description or template for how to solve a problem that can be used in various positions. In object-oriented programming, a pattern may include the description of certain objects and object classes to be used, side by side of their attributes and dependencies. The intention of Design Patterns in Event-B is to have a methodological approach to reuse former problems.
developments (referred to as patterns) in a new development. The patterns approach is a promising avenue to let inexperienced designers build conceptual models and as a tool for building domain models [14]. In Event-b pattern the proofs of the pattern can be reused too. It was shown that for the special case of a model that does not see any context and its events do not have any parameters, the generation of a refinement of the problem at hand is correct by construction and no proof obligation needs to be generated again. The correctness of the construction relies on a correct matching of the pattern with the problem [15].

Anti-patterns have a negative impact on the comprehension and maintainability of a software system. The designer may introduce anti-patterns in their models because of time pressure, lack of understanding, communication, and – or skills. To develop high-quality models, a designer must have the support of expressive engineering tools such as detection anti-patterns tools. Anti-patterns are defined as design patterns whose purpose is to document common bad practices in software design [16].

The ability to successfully design software projects is highly depending on using patterns without informal problems “Anti-pattern”. This will lead us to believe that having a general tool for verification and validation of a pattern design is important. In software engineering, the levels of detection of anti-patterns are project management level, design level, and code level. Good results have been obtained in all levels. There is a tool under implementation for detecting the project management anti-patterns [17]. Also, there are many papers that propose detection techniques at the design level as proposed in [18], but the code level in [19] focuses on certain types of anti-patterns.

The remainder of this paper is organized as follows: Section 2 presents related work. The proposed method phases are presented in Section 3. Our approach is applied in a case study in section 4. Section 5 presents the analysis of results. Finally, we present the Conclusion and future work in section 6.

II. Related Work

In this section, we will present some attempts to improve the pattern quality or solve certain anti-pattern. In 2014 Eman k.[4], proposed an attempt to enhance the software quality by detecting the anti-patterns problems on certain model as ATM model. The proposed approach improved the proof obligation by SMT solver. This method detected only some general anti-patterns in the event B model.

Also, Stoianov, Alecsandar [5] in 2010 introduced a detection method for anti-patterns. That was by a logic-based approach. The main advantage of that was the simplicity of the defining Prolog predicates to describe both structural and behavioral aspects of patterns and anti-pattern. That was in code level only.

In 2014[6] authors evaluated different query approaches to locate anti-patterns for refactoring Java programs. In a traditional setup, they use code analysis tool called Columbus to optimize Abstract Semantic Graph and processed by hand-coded visitor queries. On the other hand, an EMF representation was built for the same program model. This approach presents a set of anti-pattern which we also applied in our case study. But this approach has added locked Technique for detection anti-pattern however, our approach has more general Technique.

Masci, P., Ayoub, A., In 2013 [1] presented the model-based development of user interface behavior of an infusion pump in the Prototype Verification System (PVS). The developed model was verified against relevant safety requirements provided by the FDA. Finally, the PVS code generator was used to produce executable code from the verified specifications.

In 2015 [2] authors presented an incremental proof-based development of IIP. That is by using Event-B modeling language to formalize the given system requirements. Furthermore, the Rodin proof tools are used to verify the correctness of functional behavior, internal consistency checking with respect to safety properties, invariants and events. A generic model for an IIP was developed in the Event-B modeling language to verify the safety requirements related to timing issues as in [3]. In addition, there were many works for pattern language. In [20] the author presented a survey of apattern language for data visualization without specification for any practical applications.

III. Proposed Method

In this section, we introduce a description of our approach phases for producing a confidence pattern.

The First phase is detecting and correcting all types of informal problems from a model. That is to formalize a certain model and verify the correctness of it. We choose the IIP devise to check the two types of informal design on it. Then we start by creating an IIP initial model then we finished with a confidence IIP pattern which haven't structure anti-patterns and solved 16 special informal problems by chain of eleven refinements.
The Second phase is increasing the confidence by using event b solver as Satisfiability Modulo Theory(SMT solver).

We apply the Automatic theorem prover like SMT solvers with Event-B model to have safeguards for reducing the proving effort and increasing the degree of automation. SMT-solvers are natural candidates to carry out the verification conditions generated by the application of Event-B methods.

The third phase converts model to confidence pattern with saving proof.

Pattern in Event b is to have a systematic approach to reuse the previous developments (referred to as patterns) in a new development. The approach of pattern is a tool for building domain models for the inexperienced designer [15]. The proofs of the pattern can be reused also. This phase is important for saving the proofs.

The fourth phase is generation a confidencesource code.

The philosophy Code generation means the automatic generation of source code. It can be considered as an “open-loop” refinement step. When there is not static equivalence checking against the previous refinement is possible. It classified into three steps rewriting, Translation and building.

IV. Case Study

We implement our case study by using a RODIN platform on IIP. Where event-b is supported by a RODIN platform [21], an open-source tool implemented in the Eclipse framework this tool provides an Event-B integrated development environment, automated proof strategies, a model checking and code generation.

Also, Insulin Infusion Pump (IIP) is a small, complex, software-intensive medical device that allows controlling continuous under the skin infusion of insulin to patients. It delivers physiological quantities of insulin between meals and at meal times. An insulin pump composed of the physical pump mechanism, a disposable reservoir and a disposable infusion set. The pump system includes a controller, and a battery. The disposable infusion set includes a cannula for subcutaneous insertion, and a tubing system to interface the insulin reservoir to the cannula. At present, open-loop and closed-loop insulin pumps exist. A closed-loop insulin pump is also known as an artificial pancreas, which automatically monitors and controls the blood glucose level of a patient. In an open-loop insulin pump, patients' needs to monitor the blood glucose level manually. An insulin pump can be programmed to release small doses of insulin continuously (basal), or one shot dose (bolus) before a meal, to control the rise in blood glucose.

The application of the phases is as the following:

The First phase is detecting and correcting all types of informal problems from a model.

4.1 The special informal problems which depend on the case study as in IIP model. These are as:

Prob1: the basal profile process which the interaction between the user and device doesn’t clear.
Prob2: the pause and resume of the IIP are essential behavior it satisfies the definition of unpredictable events.
Prob3: The device can't suspend all active basal delivery or bolus deliver during pump refilling and in the case of system failure.
Prob4: The device doesn't allow undergo a power-on-self-test (POST) whenever the device power is turned on.
Prob5: The device doesn't allow the user to manage system functionalities that related to: stopping the insulin delivery; validating basal profile parameters; reminder management and validating bolus preset parameters.
Prob6: the user doesn't enable to create a food database that can be used to store food or meal descriptions and the carbs associated with them.
Prob7: The device doesn't allow for the user to change parameter setting basal profile, bolus preset, and temporary basal.
Prob8: The device doesn't allow the user to define a basal profile that consists of an ordered set of basal rates of the user.
Prob9: The device can contain several basal profiles, but not only one basal profile can be active at any single point in time.
Prob10: The device doesn't allow the user to override an active basal profile with a temporary basal, without changing the existing basal profile.
Prob11: the active basal profile, can't resume after the temporary basal ends.
Prob12: The user doesn't be able to stop the active normal or extended bolus.
Prob13: The device doesn't maintain a history of basal and bolus dosages over the past n-days.
Prob14: The device doesn't maintain of an electronic log of every operation associated with a user alert
Prob15: The device doesn't provide feedback to the user regarding system and delivery status.
Prob16: The device can't enforce a maximum dosage for the normal bolus or extended bolus.
To solve these special informal problems we present ten incremental refinements of IIP model. These refinements are implemented by Event-B modeling language to formalize the given system. The eleven incremental refinements are briefly described as in different references as [2][3].

**Initial Model** (Power Status) includes two phases. Practically, by using the Rodin platform in the preparation phase consisted of the power on/off, pump priming; input settings (user programmed variables). The insulin infusion phase is the main activation phase of the system. The INFU_START and the INFU_PROC indicate the main functional behavior of the system. An Event-B context declares enumerated set power State defined using axioms (axm1 – axm2) for power status. An abstract model declares a list of variables defined by invariants (inv1 – inv3).

We introduce four events to specifying the desired functional behavior for controlling the power status of an IIP. These events include guard(s) for enabling the given action(s), and the actions that define the changes to the states of the power status. Here, we provide all events related to The preparation phase (POWER ON, INFU START, INFU_PROC and POWER OFF).

**Ref1**: This refinement refined the initial model behavior into two phases; one focus on the basal profile setting and the priming process and the other phase refined the infusion process event into several sub events. Practically, in this refinement, we are going to refined The INFU_PROC event is into several sub events which include pausing, resuming and stopping of the infusion process. Two new events PRIME (priming the pump) and BP_SET (basal profile setting) are introduced to eliminate ready in event INFU_START. INFU_START is refined by adding guards describing that when priming and basal profile setting are done and when the infusion status is stopped. In this refinement, we define an enumerated set and a list of variables to formalize user operations defined by invariants (inv1 – inv9).
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Frist refinement declares a list of variables defined by invariants (inv1 – inv5). This refinement step introduces nine events to specify the entire possible INFU_PROC event. We provide only two events related to refine the INFU_START and POWER_OFF events.

Ref2: It can be refine the basal profile setting to overcome prob1 by introducing detailed events such as adding, deleting, modifying, and reading basal profile to ameliorate the interaction between patient and device. Practically, this refinement introduces a set of operations that is performed between the user and the device for insulin delivering. These operations are adding, deleting, modifying and reading the basal profile. These operations are allowed when an IIP is on and we want to deliver an insulin amount in a controlled manner according to the physiological needs of a patient. This refinement introduces five events to specify all the possible user operations related to the given requirements of basal profile. We provide only three events related to the BP_ADD event adds a new pair which does not exist in the basal profile, the BP_DEL event deletes an existing pair from the basal profile and the BP_COMP (basal profile complete) refines the BP_SET by adding guards such as (bp) is not an empty set and 0 is included in the domain of basal profile.

Ref3: This refinement introducethe time issues and the corresponding solutions for them prob2 by applying several timing patterns to the infusion process in the IIP. According to the requirements, the main behaviors of the IIP are described in two kinds of insulin infusion processes, called basal and bolus. The insulin infusion process is classified into four groups: basal, temporary basal, bolus and extended bolus. Twenty seven events are introduced to refine the infusion process and use a special event TICK TOCK to control time incrementing in the whole system.
Ref4: This refinement helps to solve both prob3 and prob4 by introducing new ten events for specifying the desired functional behavior for controlling the power status of an IIP such as POST_Completed event.

Ref5: This refinement applies to solve each prob5, prob6 and prob8. This refinement displays 35 events to determine all the possible of user operations related to the IIP given problems such as event CurrActiUserOper_Idle that allows a user to create a new basal profile.

Ref6: It introduces to overcoming prob6 and prob7. That is by adding 58 events to model the basal profile management, which contains some functions such as checking the completion of removing task, checking the validity of the selected basal profile, activating basal profile.

Ref7: This refinement can conquer prob10 and prob11. This refinement offers 22 events to model temporary basal profile management. That includes multiple operations like activating, checking validity of entered profile and deactivating the temporary basal profile.

Ref8: This refinement applied to overcome all prob5 and prob12. This refinement submits total 37 events to model the bolus preset Management, which have different subtasks such as creating, activating, checking validity of entered data and removing the bolus preset.

Ref9: This refinement presents to fix prob12 and prob13. It introduces 33 events to model bolus delivery calculation, which includes checking validity of bolus calculation.

Ref10: This refinement can solve prob14 and prob15 by introducing 28 events to model the reminder management, which includes various operations like creating a new reminder, checking validity of a new entered reminder and removing an old reminder. Finally.

Ref11: This refinement produces a solution for prob16 and prob13. This refinement presents 40 events. Where, 14 events to refine other previously abstractly defined events and 26 events to model the insulin calculator.

4.2 Detection The General Informal Problems Called "Anti-Patterns": In this part of phase one, we start to detect the anti-patterns from any model. That is by converting it to event-b first. In this case study, we detect the IIP anti-patterns problems by using the Event-B. When you need to construct models, you must be alert to any anti-patterns and solve them. Anti-patterns classify into three main parts: semantic anti-pattern, behavior anti-pattern and structure anti-pattern [4]. Our proposal detects the structure anti-pattern automatically. That is by creating Event-B model and solving the problems.

The following examples present some structure anti-patterns. Fig. 1 presents the anti-pattern in Event-B machine of IIP model when loose association between Event-B components. The error description list helps the designer to know that. Also Fig. 2 shows "The default case of the variable not determined anti-pattern" and how Event-B detects it. Another example is "Concatenation to Empty guard anti-pattern" and "unused parameters, anti-pattern" as shown in Fig. 3, 4 respectively.

Fig.1: Missing a relation between Event-B component

Fig.2: The default case of the variable not determined
Also, we detected a general informal problem in another case study called (Hospital UML class diagram). The Hospital UML class diagram contains six classes (Hospital, Booking, Doctor, Patient, Continues and not Continues). The class "Booking" has five attributes and three operations, the class "Doctor" has five attributes and no operations, the class "patient" has no attributes and four operations, the class "Hospital" has two attributes and no operations, the class "Continuous" has two attributes and no operations and finally the class "not Continuous" has two attributes and no operations. The model also has seven associations, some of them with known multiplicity and some not known. That is as shown in Fig.5

The UML structure general informal problems (anti-patterns) are detected practically in three levels, some detected during the first level in UML-B or iUML-B when we start by using UML-B plugin certainly. Some detected during the second level “convert UML-B to Event B”. Finally, some detected in the third level “proof obligations”.

The anti-patterns have been detected in these phases are shown in Fig’s 6, 7, 8,9,10 respectively.

- The attributes of a class haven’t data type; attribute (Room number) in class (booking) doesn’t have a data type.
- The operations have the same name; class "patient" has two operations with the same name (stay).
- Invalid identifier for the association, the association name must not have any space where association (work in) has space in its name.
- Invalid expression constrain anti-pattern; as shown in the properties slot of the class (Patient) which has an Invalid expression guard of the event “make operation”.

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**Fig.3**: Concatenation to Empty guard Anti-pattern

**Fig.4**: Anti-pattern When unused parameters

**Fig.5**: Hospital UML class diagram
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From the importance of detecting general anti-patterns we created a new Eclipse plugin in Rodin platform. That is by using the eclipse platform to create this plugin. The plugin has information about all structure anti-patterns to help the users of RODIN. It will only contain documentation files, and then the easiest way to proceed for beginners is to start from the available template. In RODIN Help, the user can see that a new Anti-pattern item has been created in help contents for help menu as shown in Fig.11.
The second phase is applying SMT solver for increasing the automation degree by decrease the proof obligation. We used SMT-solvers as Automatic verification of proof obligations. The configuration of the plug-in includes a choice of SMT-solvers. It is now available to the formal methods community as an exploratory package through Rodin’s official source code repository. Currently, the verification with the SMT-solver has to be activated as shown in Fig. 12. The verification was successes as shown in Fig. 13.

Fig.11: Help contents of RODIN which contain new anti-pattern files.

Fig.12: the screenshot of the proof before the SMT proof, the button is active and the status is "not proved"

Fig.13: The screenshot of the proof after a successful proof, the button has been dis-activated and the status is "proved"
The third phase converts model to confidence pattern with saving proof.

Practically, in this phase we use "pattern plugin" in RODIN platform. That is for more abstract solution. The screenshot in fig(s)14,15,16 and 17 present the convert steps. Where, fig8 is illustrates the matching step between the problem and the specification. This phase contains a dialog for the developers to choose the matching between variables and events.

Fig. 9 presents the syntax checking of the matching provided by the user in the previous step. Fig 10 presents the incorporating of the refinement of the pattern into the development. And Fig. 11 presents the renaming pattern of both variables and events.

The fourth phase is Automatic C++ Code Generation for IIP Pattern Model. Once the pattern has been converted manually, all selected events-without explicit-was translated automatically using the EB2C++ plugin for the RODIN Platform. A single C++ file is produced for each machine. C++ code generation has a different phase of the translation process. An Event-b pattern is initially restated in an easily translatable subset of the notation “Rewrite Phase”. C++ code is then automatically generated from the pattern through a suitable tool “Translation Phase”. Finally “Build Phase” adds support functions and the compiler of the source code language. After applying three phases for generating C++ code from IIP algorithm in Event-B model we obtained the code as in Fig. 18.
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In this section, we analyze the results of our proposed method as in the following:

In RODIN platform, a model can’t prove full automatic, so we unable to generate code from the Rodin event B model directly. But by using the SMT solver help for increasing the proof obligation automatically and save it. By using SMT-Solver approach the proof raised to (62%) proof instead of (44%) that obtained by applying Rodin only as shown in table 1 that present the Proof statistics of Insulin Infusion Pump (IIP) model after solving all informal and anti-patterns from the model and using SMT solver.

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<th>POs Methods / POs</th>
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<th>Interactive (SMT)</th>
<th>Proved POs %</th>
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<td>Rodin</td>
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<td>96</td>
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<td>96(44%)</td>
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<td>SMT</td>
<td>214</td>
<td>96</td>
<td>38</td>
<td>134(62%)</td>
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Now, to verify and ensure that there are not anti-patterns problems were found in our IIP pattern, we used the reverse engineering tools like Imagix4D which check all properties of C++ generated code (according to the fourth phase). Then we produce a list of reports such as:

- The report "Missing Default Case" in our code like switch statement that does not have a default case in fig. 19.
- The report on "Variables That Are Never Used" like unused global, static and local variables, which, depending on the option selected such as variables that are read but never set by any functions fig. 20.
- The report on "Missing Return Type" such as function declaration that does not specify the return type
- And the report about "Un-terminated Case" likes a case in a switch statement that is not terminated by an explicit transfer of control, such as a break statement.

Fig. 18: Example of Event ppowerON translated in C++ code

Fig. 19: Imagix4D Report for uninitialized variables

Fig. 20: Imagix4D Report for unused variables
Table 2: The number of Occurrences of structure Anti-patterns in the UML patterns

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<tr>
<th>Anti-patterns</th>
<th>ATM</th>
<th>Order</th>
<th>Seminar</th>
<th>Auction</th>
<th>Library</th>
<th>HASP Java</th>
<th>Furniture system</th>
<th>Android system</th>
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<td>1 structure anti-patterns of attributes</td>
<td>31</td>
<td>2</td>
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<td>26</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>4</td>
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<td>2 structure anti-patterns of class</td>
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<td>3</td>
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<td>3 structure anti-patterns of association</td>
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<td>16</td>
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<td>56</td>
<td>11</td>
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We also detect and correct the anti-patterns on eight UML class diagrams. These patterns are ATM UML class diagram [23], Library and Android UML class diagrams [24], Hasp UML class diagram [25], Seminar, Order and Auction UML class diagrams [26] and Furniture UML class diagram [27]). That is needed to start the method by converting phase to translate UML class diagrams to event-b models. “iUML-B” class diagrams plugin in RODIN Platform [28] is suitable for that. The table 2 presents the 229 general anti-patterns which classified into three groups on the sample of eight class diagrams. The three groups are structure anti-patterns of attributes, structure anti-patterns of class and structure anti-patterns of association. The highest detected number of structure anti-patterns is in association group.

VI. Conclusions and Further Works

The proposed method is used to verify a medical model such as insulin pump. That is by using formal method to ensure the correctness and stability during proof stage. Using pattern after removing the anti-patterns give us two properties reusability and save the effort of modeling. The code was generated after detection anti-patterns are more confident.

In the future, we are going to correct the anti-patterns automatically. Also we will create a plugin in RODIN to detect and fix the anti-patterns automatically. Also, we will make a comparative study between our method and the methods based on ontological analysis.

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