

# FORM-L: A MODELICA Extension for Properties Modelling Illustrated on a Practical Example

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Systems engineering methodologies for complex systems increasingly rely on, or could benefit from, modelling and simulation. For MODELICA to support activities such as functional validation of system requirements, design verification against requirements, testing, dysfunctional analyses and verification of operational procedures, the ITEA2 MODRIO project is developing extensions to the language. One of them concerns formal requirements and properties modelling, and is called FORM-L (Formal Requirements Modelling Language). This paper presents the main concepts underlying FORM-L, and illustrates them with examples taken from a MODRIO case study, the Backup Poser Supply (BPS) system.

Section 2 presents the main objectives assigned to FORM-L. Section 3 introduces briefly the BPS case study in order to provide a background context for the examples given in the following sections. Section 4 presents how FORM-L considers *functions*, *constants* and *fixed* variables. Section 5 introduces the notions of *condition* and *event*. Section 6 presents the notions of *properties*, *requirements*, *assumptions* and *guards*. Section 7 presents the notion of *time locator*, continuous or discrete. Section 8 presents how FORM-L views *sets* and *arrays*. Lastly, Section 9 presents how *actions* are modelled in FORM-L.

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