



CAREER: Formal Methods for Human-Cyber-Physical Systems

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Challenge:

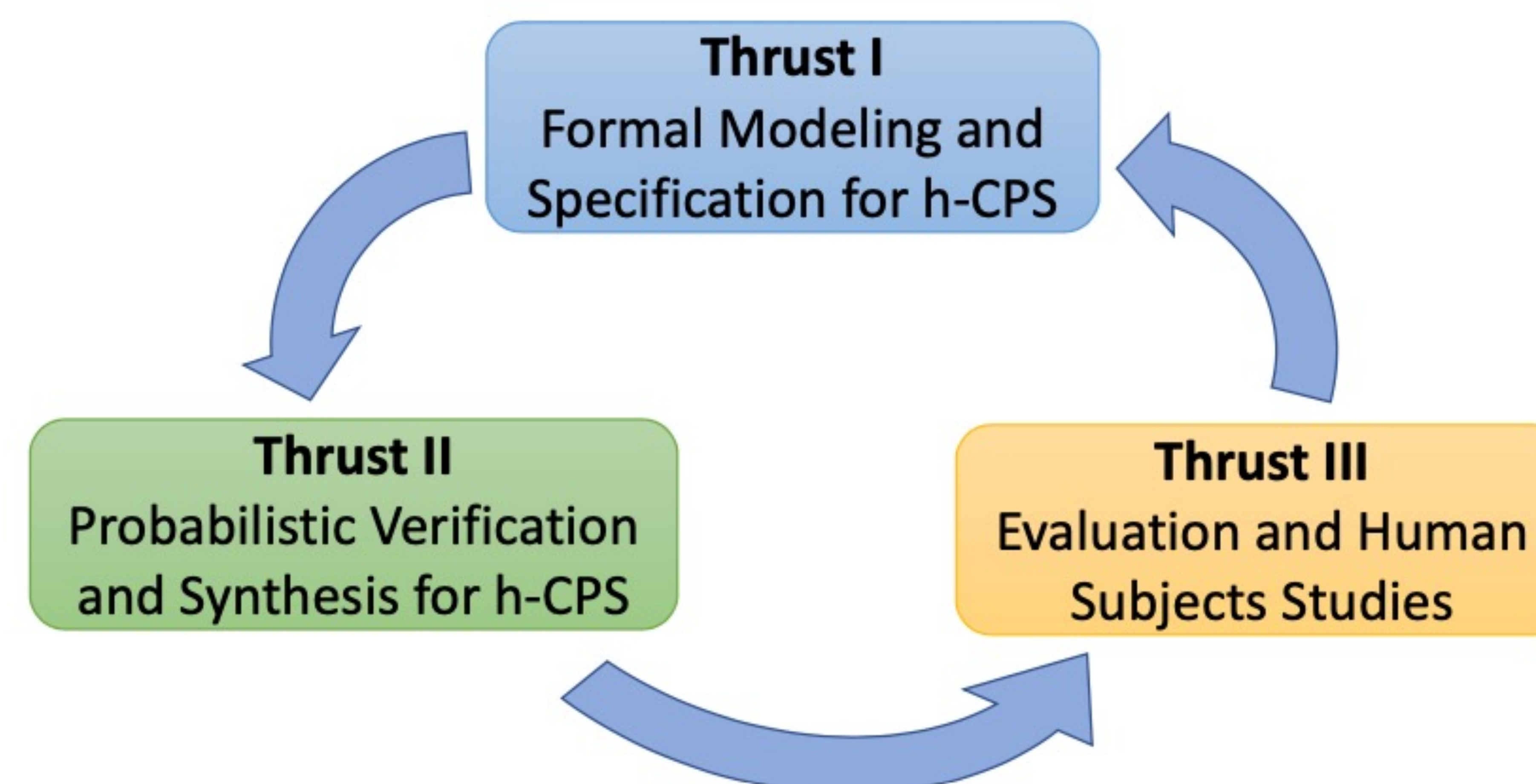
- How do we verify the safety of human-CPS, accounting for the uncertainty and variability of human behaviors?
- How do we synthesize CPS controllers that adapt to human intentions and preferences, and generate human interpretable explanations?

Solution:

- Data-driven modeling of driver takeover behavior [CHI'2021]
- Contrastive explanations for MDP planning [IROS'2020]
- Multi-objective controller synthesis with uncertain human preferences [FM'2021 submission]

Scientific Impact:

- Develop theory, methods, and tools for the formal specification, verification and synthesis of human-CPS that account for the uncertainty and variability of human behaviors, intentions, and preferences



Broader Impact:

- Potential to improve safety, increase user satisfaction, and cut development cost
- Develop new CPS graduate course