

Specification for SystemC-AADL interoperability



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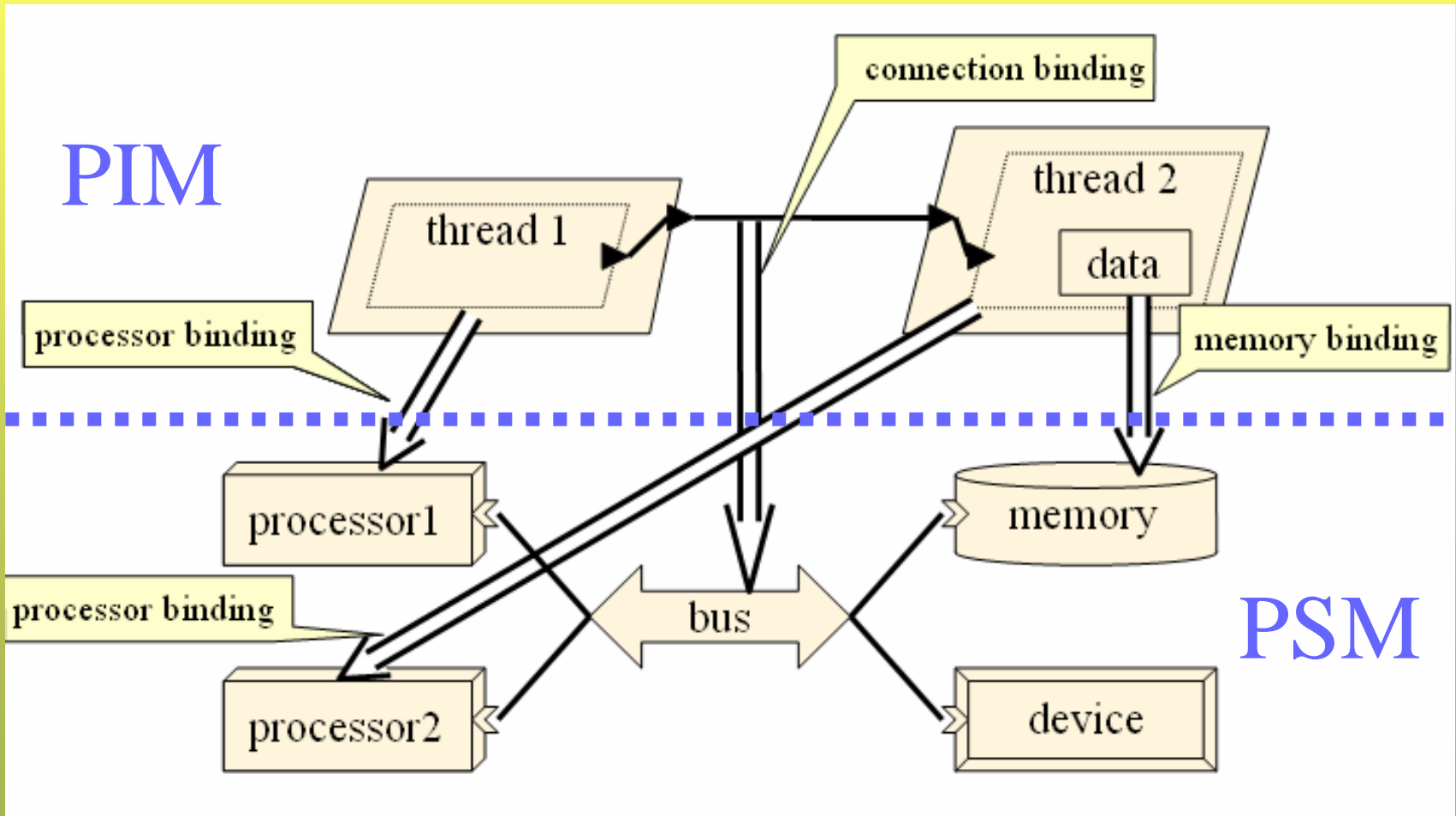
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- Motivations
- General Concepts
 - AADL
 - SystemC
 - PERFidiX and SCoPe
- AADL-SystemC Design Flow
- Mapping AADL to SystemC
- Example

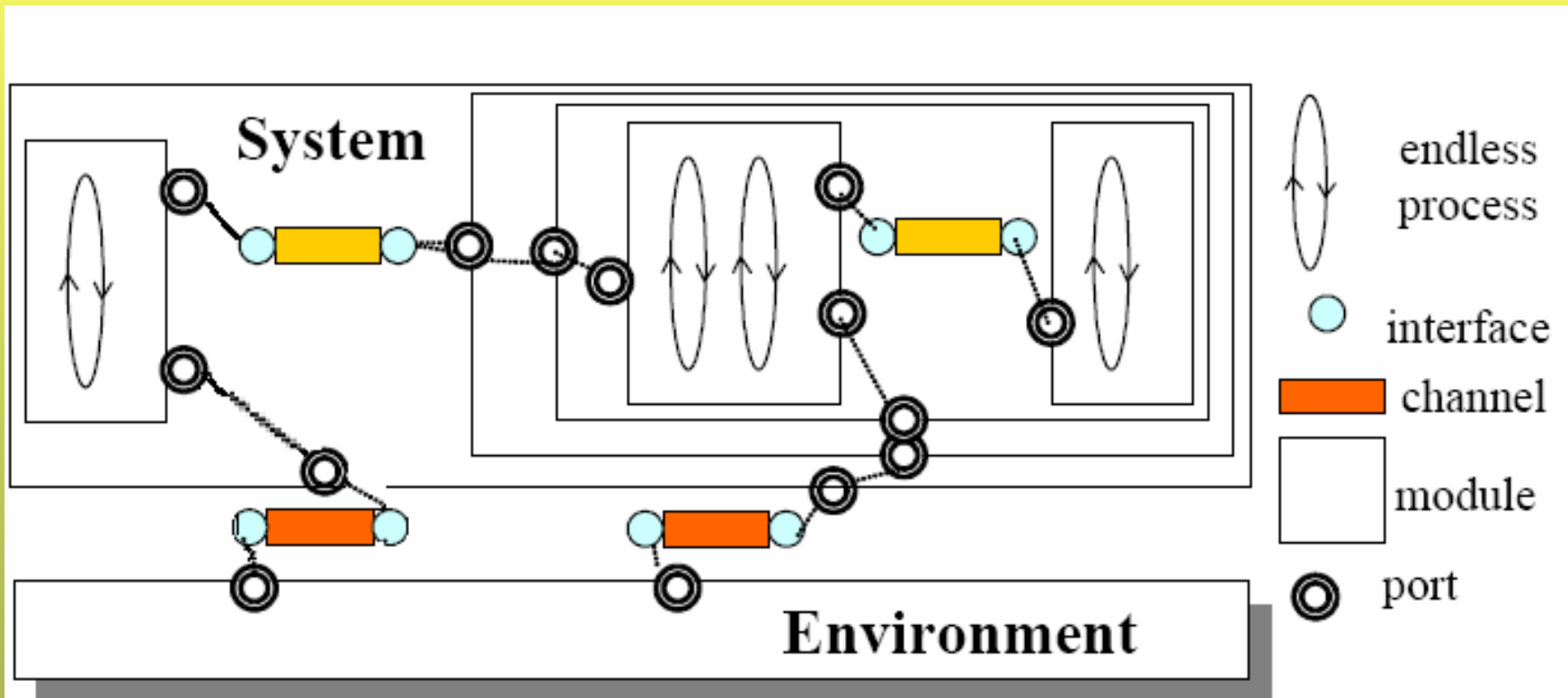
- System design issues:
 - Incomplete capture of specification
 - Need for design refinement and validation
 - Impact of functional and non-functional properties
 - Timing properties
 - Platform architecture
 - Software/Hardware co-design

AADL Concepts

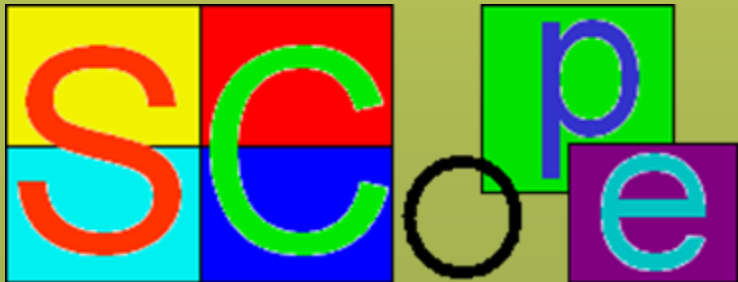


- SystemC features
 - Standard platform for system design (IEEE 1666) developed by the OSCI
 - C++ extension
 - Strict-time, event driven simulator
 - Concurrent Execution Kernel

- SystemC Basic Elements

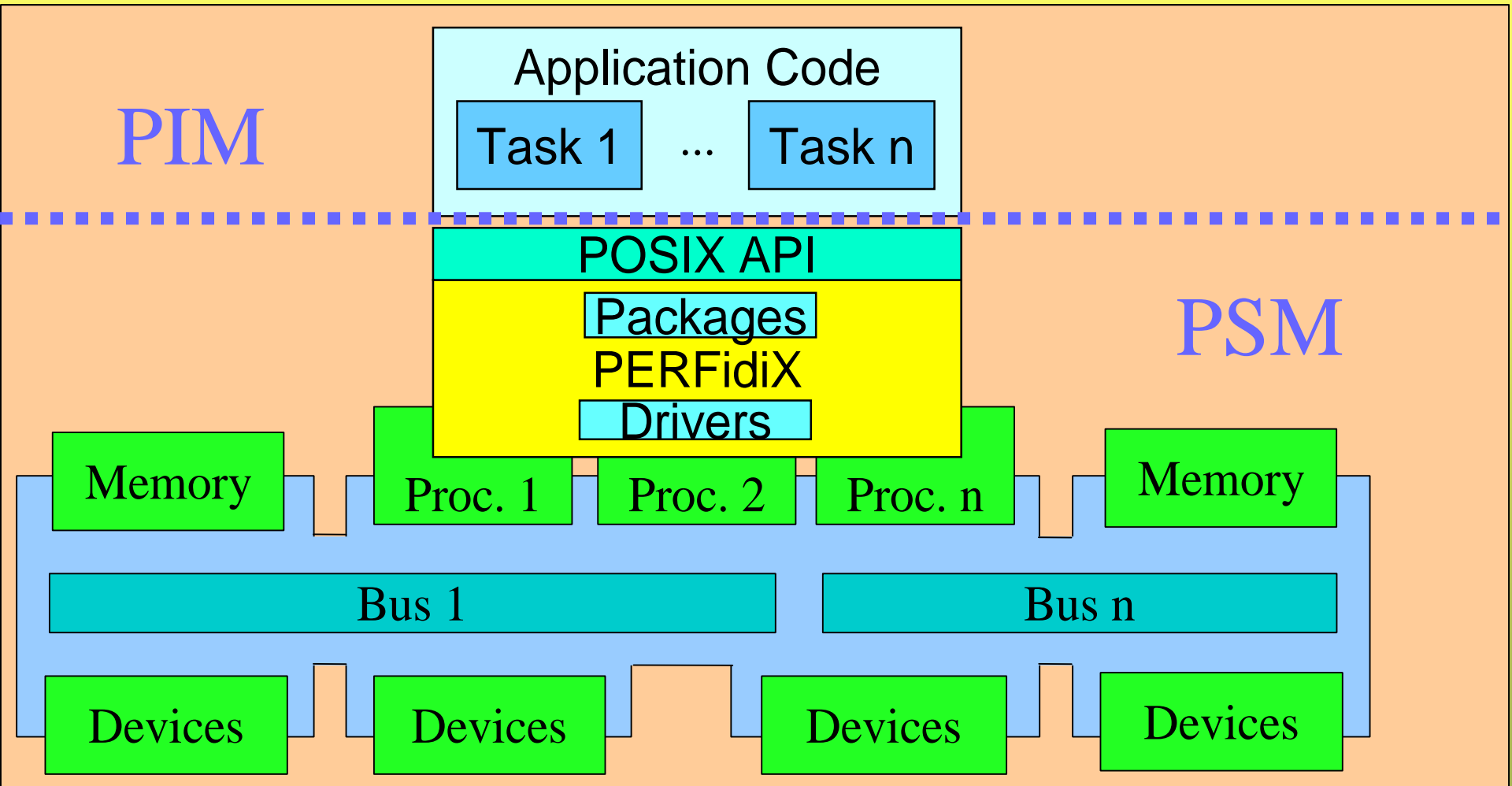


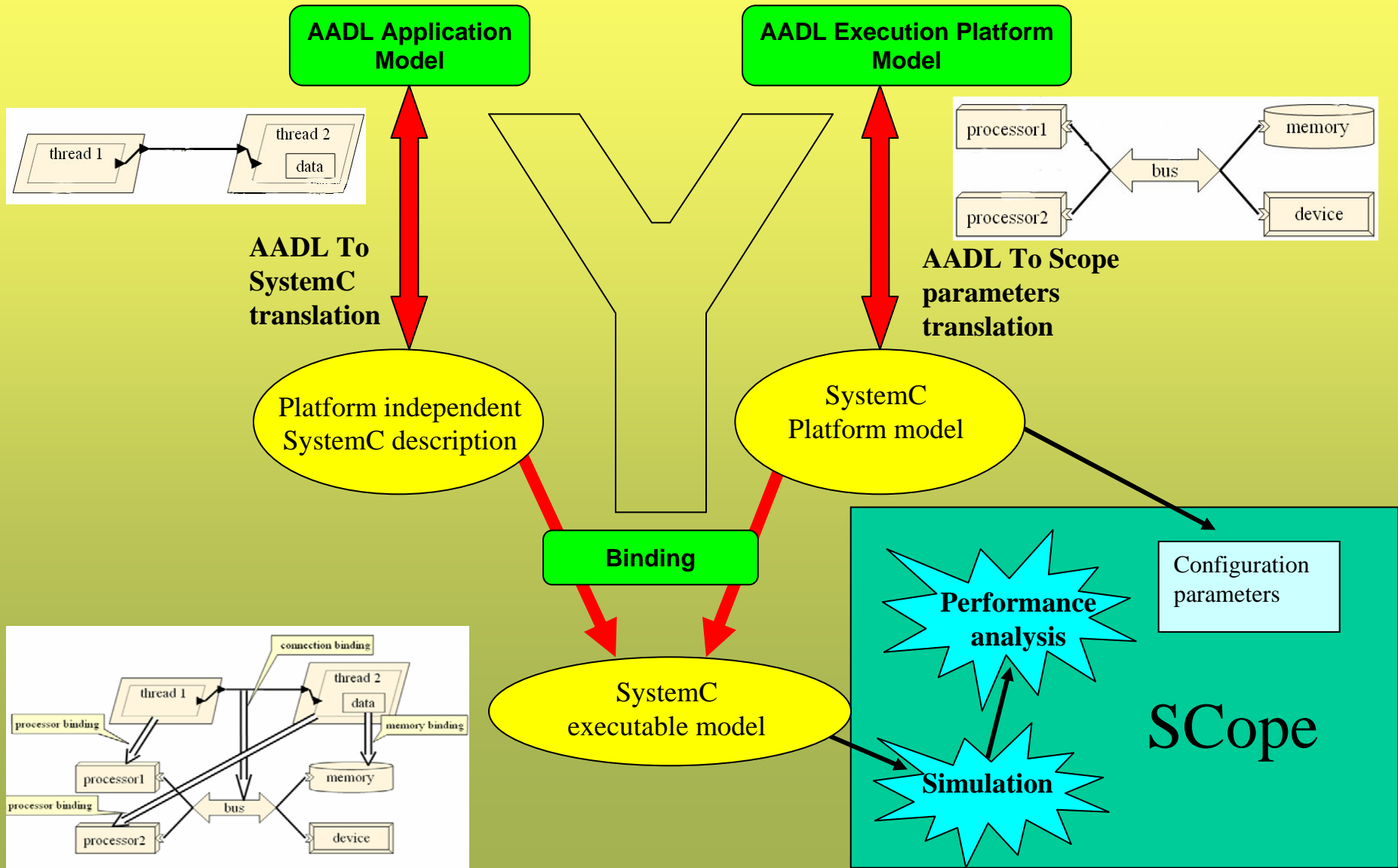
- System Co-simulation and Performance Estimation in SystemC
 - Multi-processor SW source-code simulation
 - OS Modelling
 - POSIX
 - Timed SW simulation
 - Performance estimation of SW code
 - Time & Power

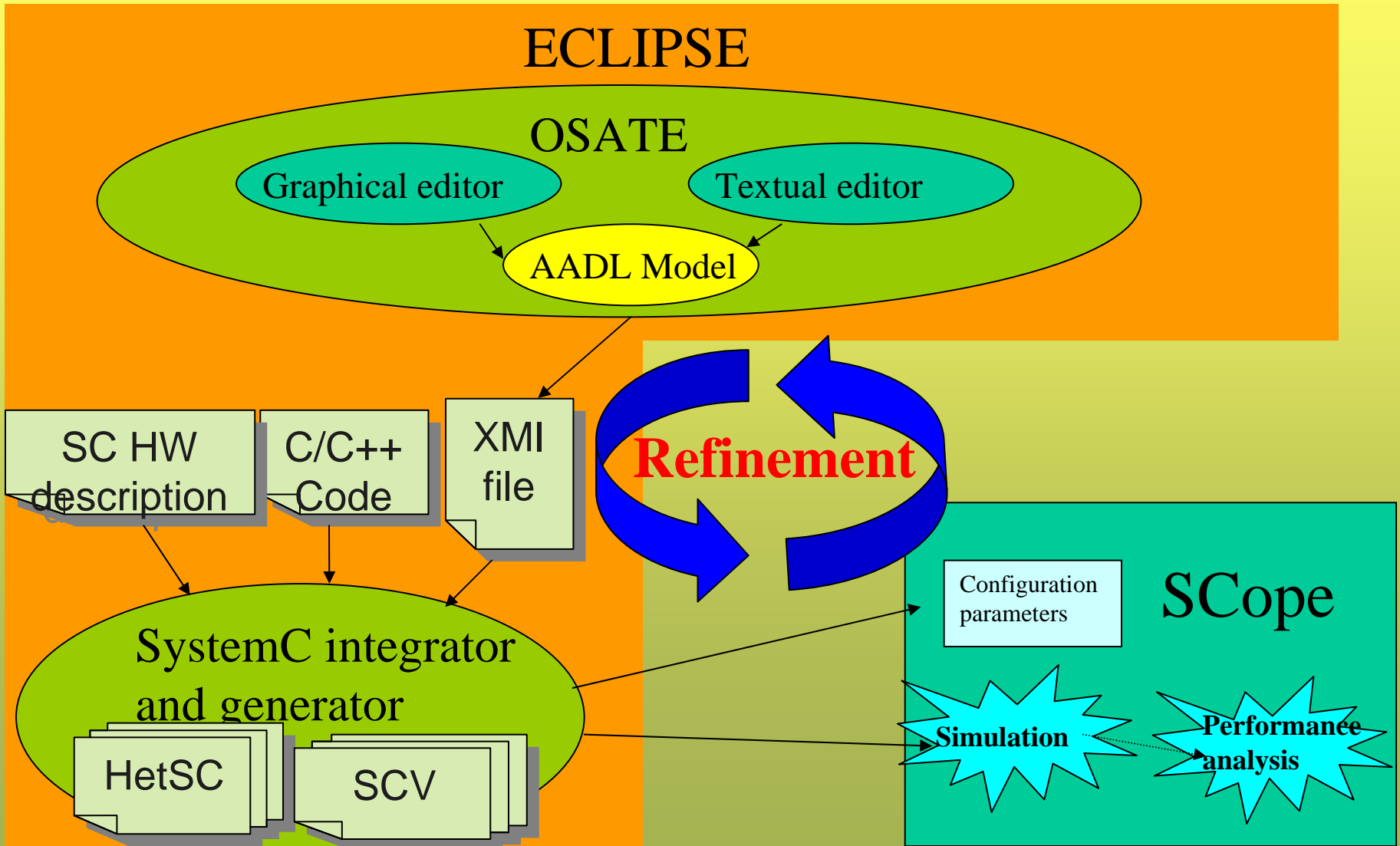


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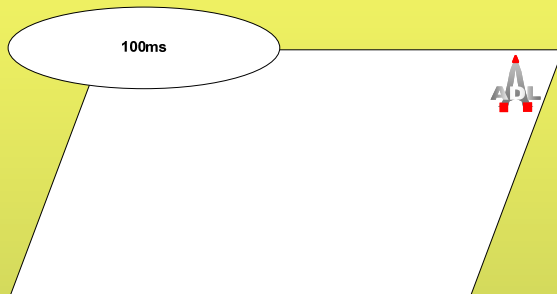
SCoPE Concepts



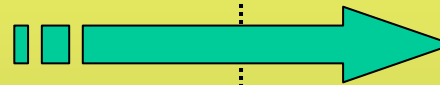




AADL



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Thread: Schedulable unit of sequential source code.

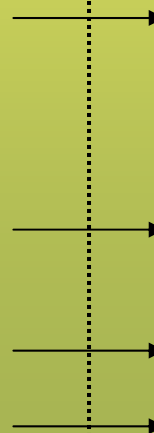
- Properties

- Dispatch protocol
- Period
- Deadline

SC_THREAD: Is Called once when simulation Start.

- Properties

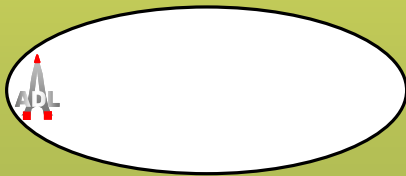
- Specific SC_THREAD implementation
- SC_TIME, wait (SC_TIME)
- Assertions SCV



AADL



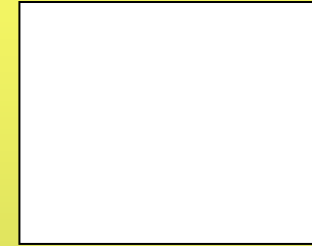
Process: space partitioning
where protection is provided



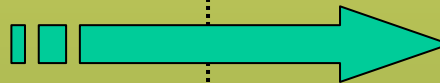
Subprogram: sequentially
executable source text



SystemC



SC_MODULE: principle
structural building blocks of
SystemC



C++ function: called
from the SC_THREAD

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Data: Enable manipulate data in concurrently in non-deterministic order.

- Properties
 - Concurrency_Control_Protocol

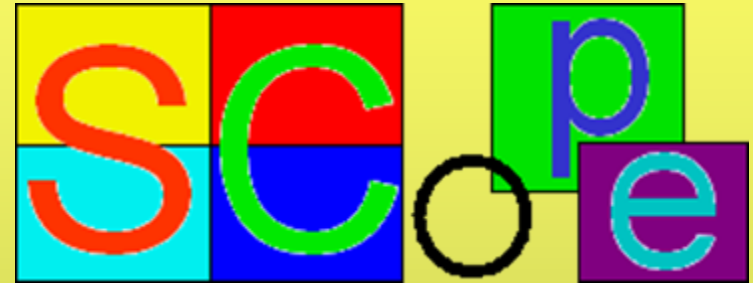
Channel: Enable communication between modules

- Properties
 - Semaphores, mutex, custom channels.

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Processor: Abstraction of hardware and software responsible for scheduling and executing threads.

• Properties

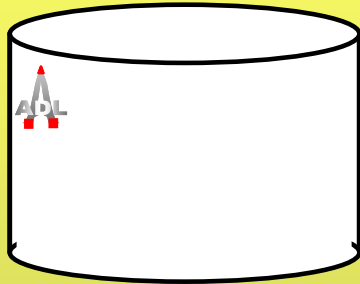
- Process_Swap_Execution_time
- Thread_Swap_Execution_time
- Scheduling_Protocols

High level, POSIX simulation library and performance Analysis

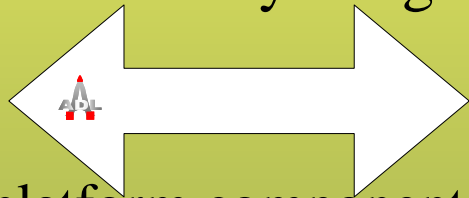
—————→ SCoPe configuration parameters

—————→ POSIX scheduling_protocols

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Memory: platform component that stores binary images.

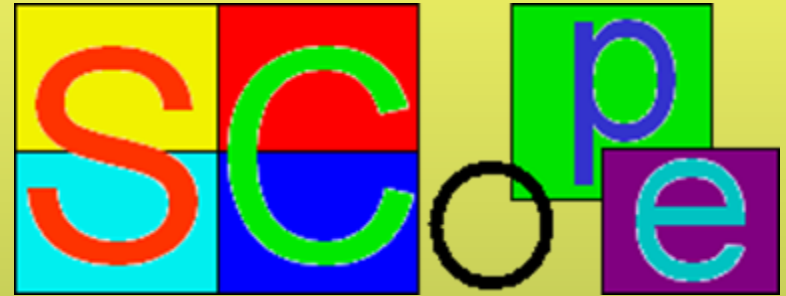
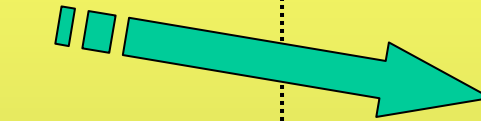


Bus: platform component that can exchange control and data between modules.

- Properties

- Transmission time, propagation delay

SystemC

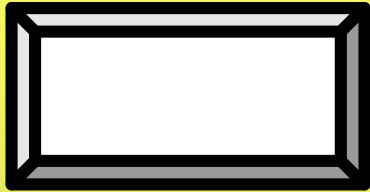


System Co-simulation and Performance Estimation in SystemC

SCope configuration parameters



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SystemC description at various levels:

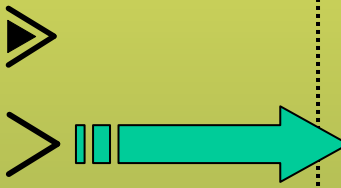
- TLM
- RTL
- Synthesis

Devices: Execution platform component that interface with the exterior

Event data port 

Event port 

Data port 



Signal channel, ports, interface

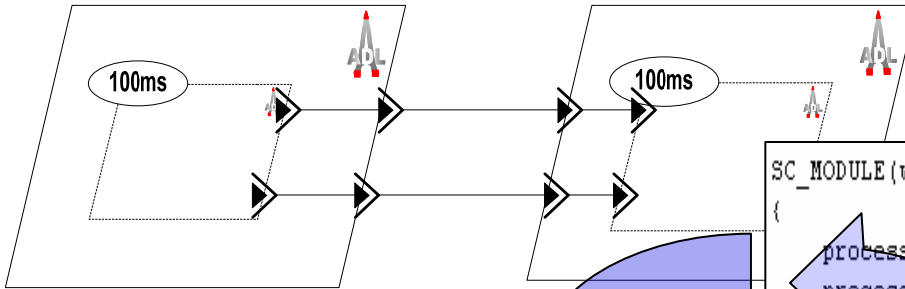
FIFO channel ports, interface

Custom Channels, ports, interface

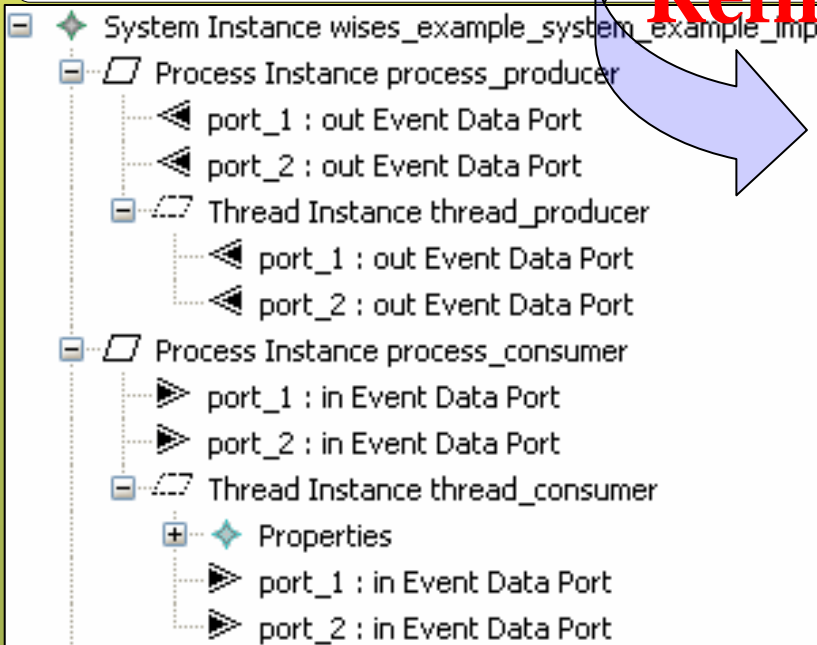
Ports and Connections: Logical Connections to exchange control and data between threads.

Example

system_example



Refinement



```
SC_MODULE(wises_example_system_example_impl_Instance)
{
    process_producer_0 *process_producer;
    process_consumer_0 *process_consumer;

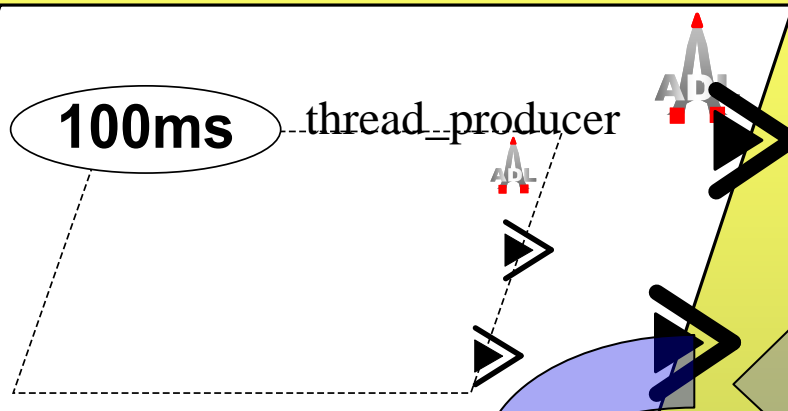
    sc_fifo<int> connection_1;
    sc_fifo<int> connection_2;

    SC_CTOR(wises_example_system_example_impl_Instance)
    {
        process_producer = new process_producer_0("process_producer");
        process_consumer = new process_consumer_0("process_consumer");

        process_producer->conexion_1(connection_1);
        wises_example_system_example_impl_Instance->connection_1(connection_1);
        process_producer->conexion_2(connection_2);
        wises_example_system_example_impl_Instance->connection_2(connection_2);
    }
};
```

Example

process_producer

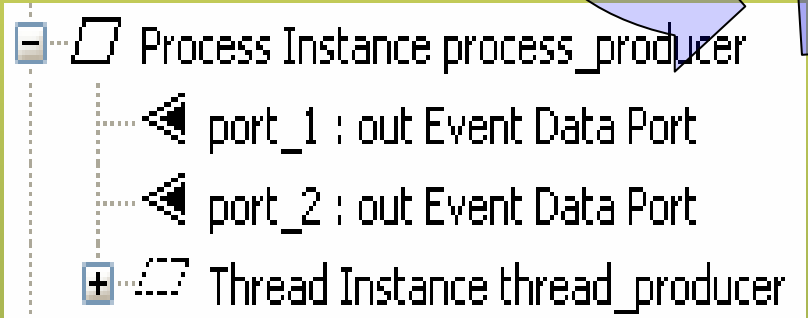


```
SC_MODULE(process_producer)
{
    void thread_producer();

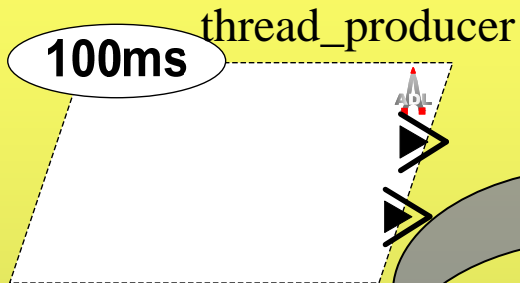
    sc_fifo_out<int> port_1;
    sc_fifo_out<int> port_2;

    SC_CTOR(process_producer)
    {
        SC_THREAD(thread_producer);
    }
};
```

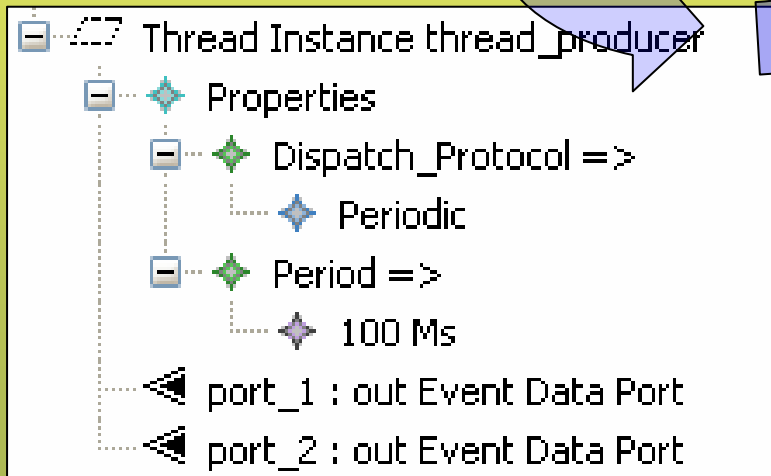
Refinement



Example



Refinement



```
void process_producer::thread_producer()
{
    while(true)
    {
        //C or C++ code implementing the
        //software functionality

        sc_time period_time(100,SC_MS);
        wait(period_time);
    }
}
```

- SystemC allows modeling AADL
 - Different abstraction levels
 - Refinement
 - Validation
- Specification for model transformation from AADL to SystemC
- Tool proposal for embedded system design

END

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

QUESTIONS ?