

The AADL Behavioural annex¹

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Introduction

Architecture languages \rightsquigarrow verification of dynamic aspects:

- composition, temporal properties,
- quantitative analysis: sizing, performance, energy,
- reliability.

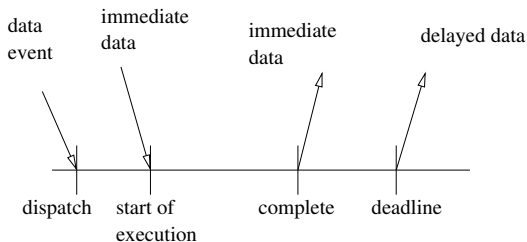
The behavioural annex

Why a behavioural annex for AADL?

- AADL relies on the analysis of source text.
- AADL calls and flows do not depend on data.
- AADL behaviour is basically described by:
 - the AADL execution model
 - quantitative aspects like wcet.

The behavioural annex allows a refinement of these aspects.

The AADL data port protocol



The AADL behavioural annex:

- describes how the dispatch is triggered.
- gives access to the received and sent data
- describes what happens when control is gained
- says when control is relinquished

The behavioural annex

- Describe the internal behavior of component implementations as a state transition system with guards and actions.
- Extend the default run-time execution semantics that is specified by the core of the standard, such as thread dispatch protocols.
- Provide behavioral refinement for mode transitions.
- Introduce subprogram calls synchronization protocols.

These extensions are introduced through properties and annexes.

```

behavior_annex ::=
  [ variables  behavior_variable + ]
  [ states    behavior_state + ]
  [ transitions behavior_transition + ]

behavior_state_kind ::=
  [ initial ][ complete ][ final ]

execution_behavior_transition ::=
  [ behavior_transition_label : ]
  source_state_identifier , source_state_identifier *
  -[ [ behavior_condition ] ]->
  destination_state_identifier [ behavior_actions ] ;

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```
thread merger
  features
    p1 : in event data port Basic_types::integer;
    p2 : in event data port Basic_types::integer;
    m : out event data port Basic_types::integer;
end merger;
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thread implementation merger.twopersistentstates
  annex behavior_specification {**
  variables
    x1 : data Basic_types::integer;
    x2 : data Basic_types::integer;
  states
    s0 : initial complete state;
    comp : state;
    next1, next2 : complete state;
  transitions
    s0 -[ on dispatch p1 ]-> next2 { x1 := p1 };
    s0 -[ on dispatch p2 ]-> next1 { x2 := p2 };
    next1 -[ on dispatch p1 ]-> comp { x1 := p1 };
    next2 -[ on dispatch p2 ]-> comp { x2 := p2 };
    comp -[ x1 < x2 ]-> next1 { m!(x1) };
    comp -[ x2 <= x1 ]-> next2 { m!(x2) };
  **};
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Synchronization protocols

- subprogram calls in AADL is synchronous.
- alternate synchronization protocols (HRT-HOOD):

`Server_Call_Protocol`: type enumeration (ASER,HSER,LSER)
applies to (provides subprogram access);

- ASER : the caller is never blocked.
- LSER : the caller waits for the acceptance of the request.
- HSER : the caller waits for the completion of the request and gets results if any.

Conclusion

- The behavioural annex is now part of the AADL standard.
- Supported by the OSATE-TOPCASED project.
- Verification support through the FIACRE language : pivot verification language of the TOPCASED project.
- Used for case studies in industrial research projects.