

Modeling Component-based Systems in BIP

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Component-based construction – Objectives

Develop a rigorous and general basis for real-time system design and implementation

- Concept of component and associated composition operators for incremental description and correctness by construction
- Concept for real-time architecture encompassing heterogeneity, paradigms and styles of computation e.g.
 - Synchronous vs. asynchronous execution
 - Event driven vs. time driven computation
 - Distributed vs. centralized execution
- Automated support for component integration and generation of glue code meeting given requirements

Approches involving components

- Theory such as process algebras and automata
- SW Component frameworks, such as
 - Coordination languages extensions of programming languages : Linda, Javaspaces, TSpaces, Concurrent Fortran, NesC, BPEL
 - Middleware e.g. Corba, Javabeans, .NET
 - Software development environments: PCTE, SWbus, Softbench, Eclipse
- System modeling languages: SystemC, Statecharts, UML, Simulink/Stateflow, Metropolis, Ptolemy
- Architecture Description Languages focusing on non-functional aspects e.g. AADL

Lack of

- *frameworks treating interactions and system architecture as first class entities that can be composed and analyzed (usually, interaction by method call)*
- *rigorous models for behavior and in particular aspects related to time and resources.*

Sources of heterogeneity [Henzinger&Sifakis FM06]

Heterogeneity of interaction

- Atomic or non atomic
- Rendezvous or Broadcast
- Binary or n-ary

Heterogeneity of execution

- Synchronous execution
- Asynchronous execution
- Combinations of them

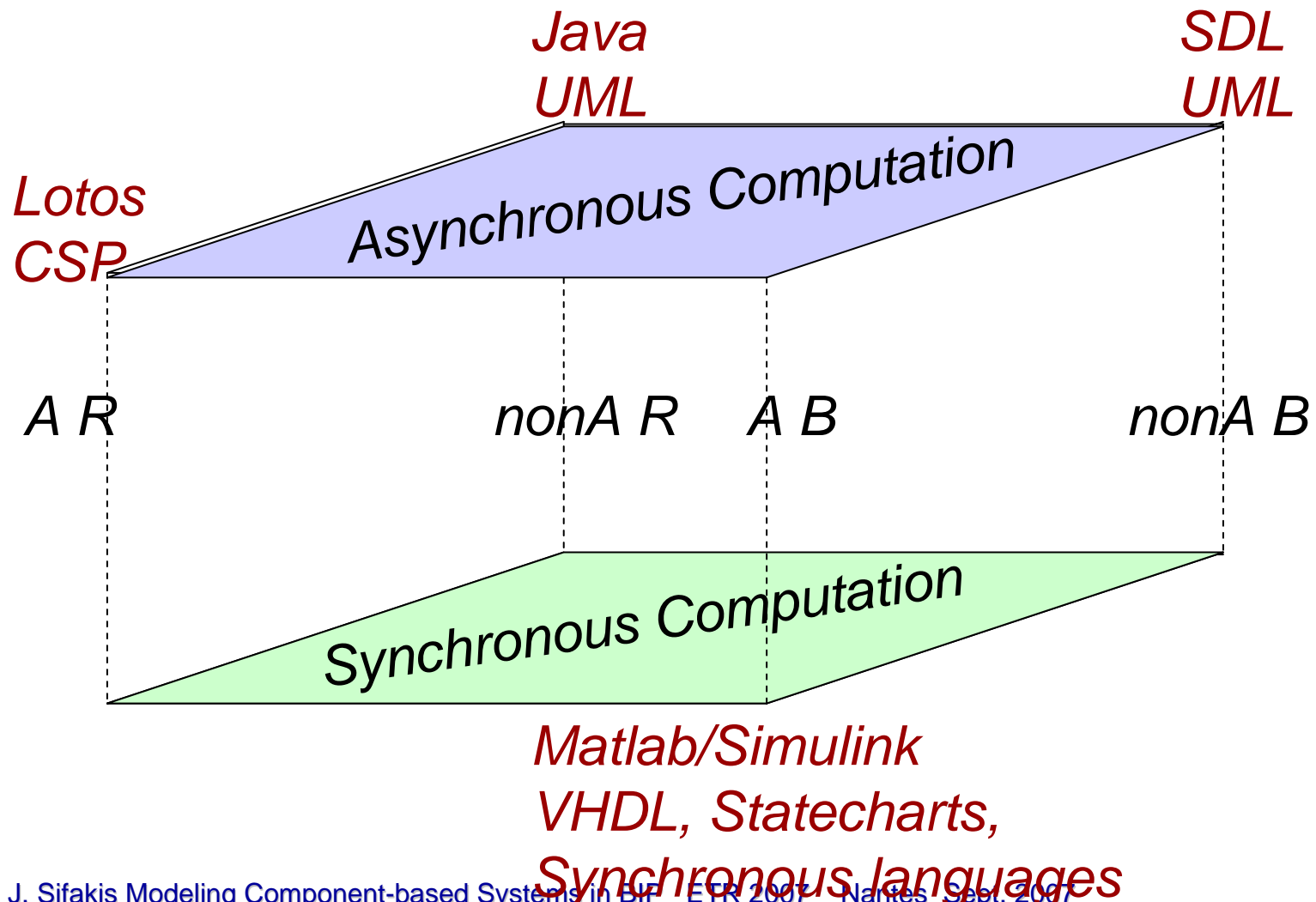
Heterogeneity of abstraction e.g. granularity of execution

Sources of Heterogeneity - Example

A: Atomic interaction

R: Rendezvous

B: Broadcast



Overview

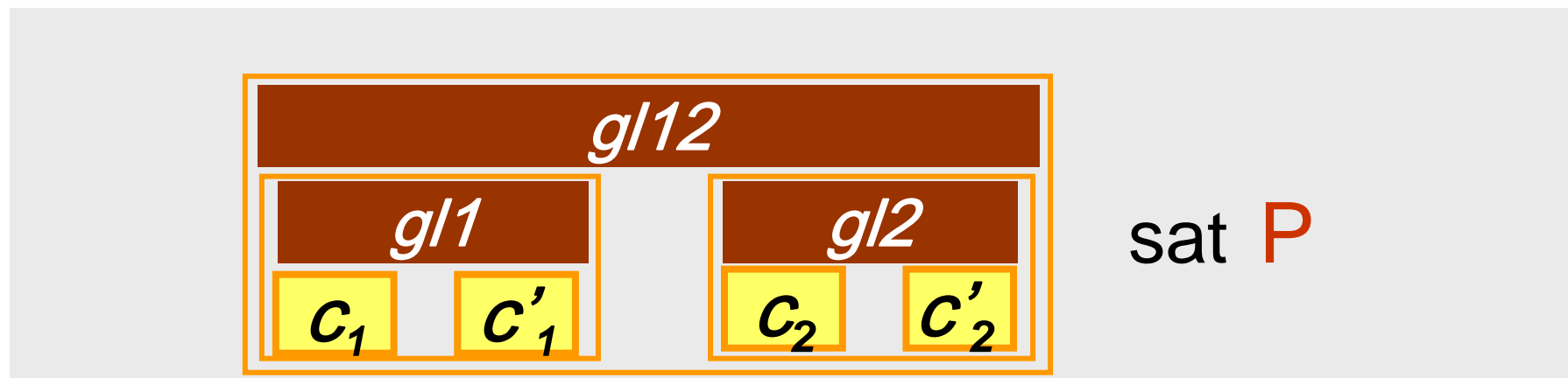


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Component-based Construction: The Problem

Pb: Build a component C satisfying a given property P , from

- \mathcal{C}_0 a set of atomic components
- $\mathcal{GL} = \{gl_1, \dots, gl_i, \dots\}$ a set of *glue operators* on components

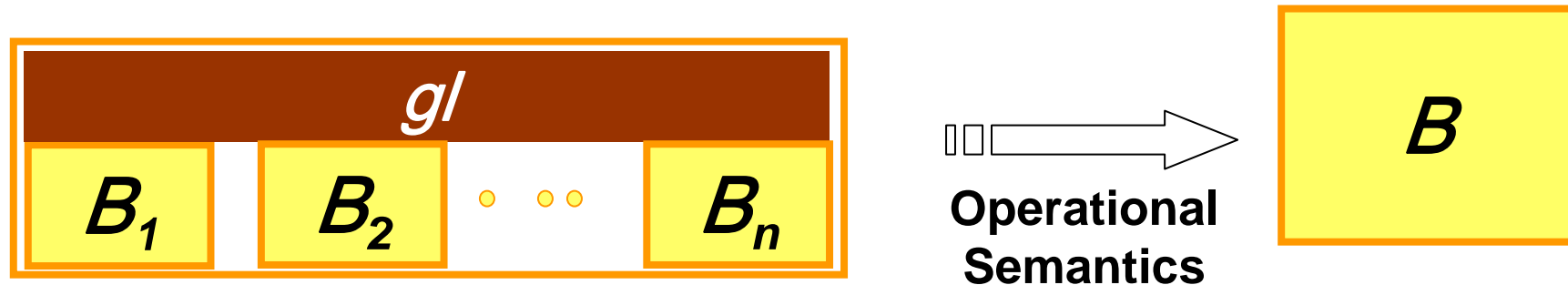


Glue operators

- model mechanisms used for communication and control such as protocols, schedulers, buses
- restrict the behavior of their arguments, that is the projection of the behavior of $gl(C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n)$ on actions of C_1 is contained in the behavior of C_1

Component-based Construction: Formal Framework

Operational Semantics: the meaning of a compound component is an atomic component

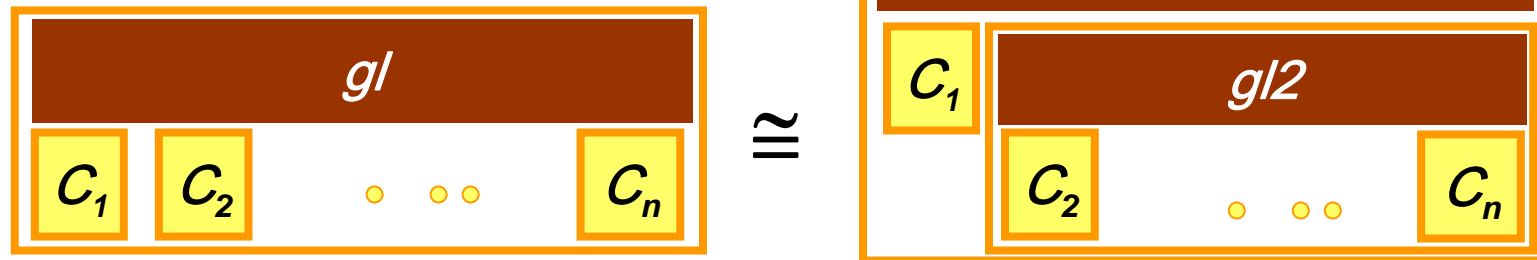


Algebraic framework:

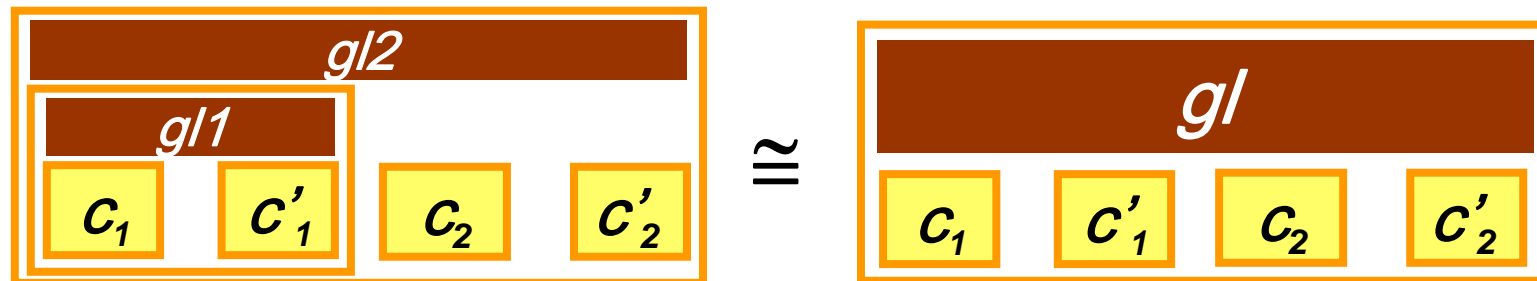
- Components are terms of an algebra of terms (\mathcal{C}, \cong) generated from \mathcal{C}_0 by using operators from \mathcal{GL}
- \cong is a congruence compatible with operational semantics

Component-based Construction: Constructivity – Incremental description

1. Decomposition



2. Flattening



Flattening can be achieved by introducing an idempotent operation \oplus such that (GL, \oplus) is a commutative monoid and

$$gl(gl'(C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n)) \cong gl \oplus gl'(C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n)$$

Component-based Construction: Constructivity – Compositionality

Build correct systems from correct components: rules for proving global properties from properties of individual components



C_i sat P_i implies $\forall gl \exists \tilde{gl}$

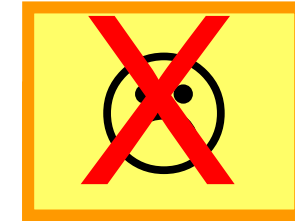


sat $\tilde{gl}(P_1, \dots, P_n)$

We need compositionality results about preservation of progress properties such as deadlock-freedom and liveness and extra-functional properties

Component-based Construction: Constructivity – Composability

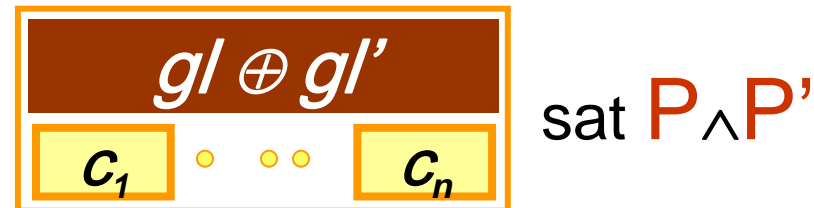
Make the new without breaking the old: Rules guaranteeing non interference of solutions



and



implies



*Property stability phenomena are poorly understood.
We need composability results e.g. feature interaction in middleware,
composability of scheduling algorithms, theory for reconfigurable systems*

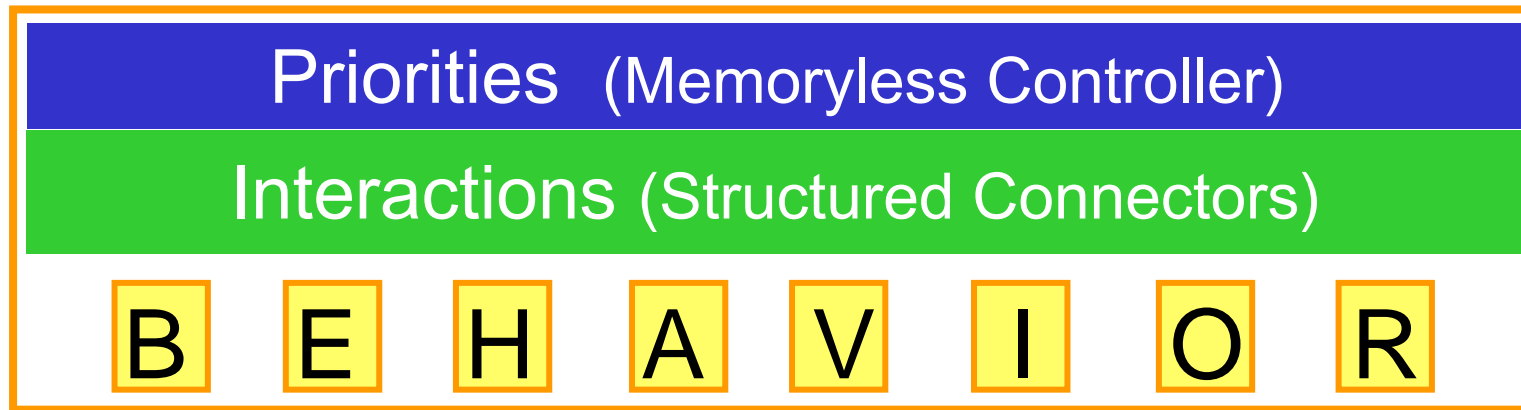
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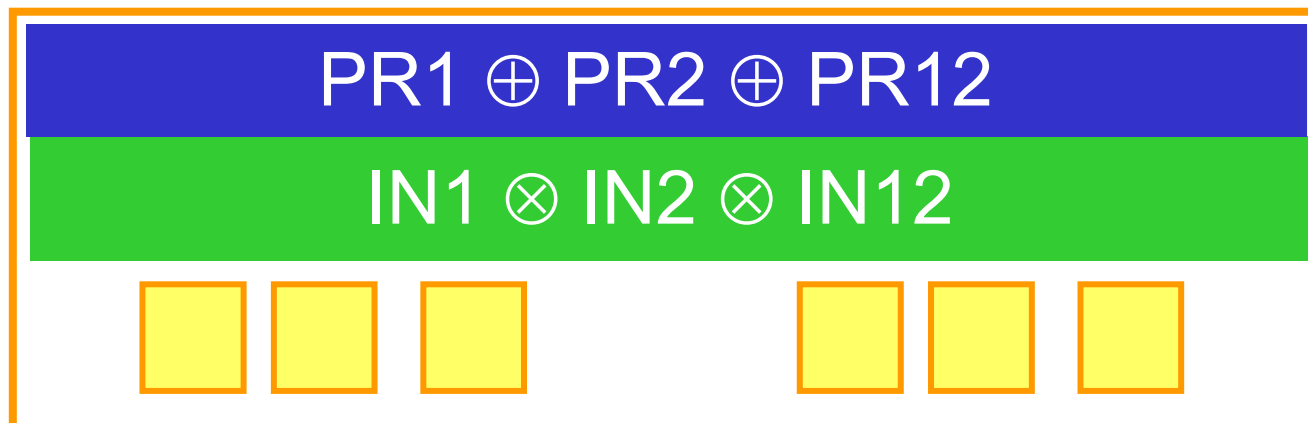


BIP: Basic Concepts

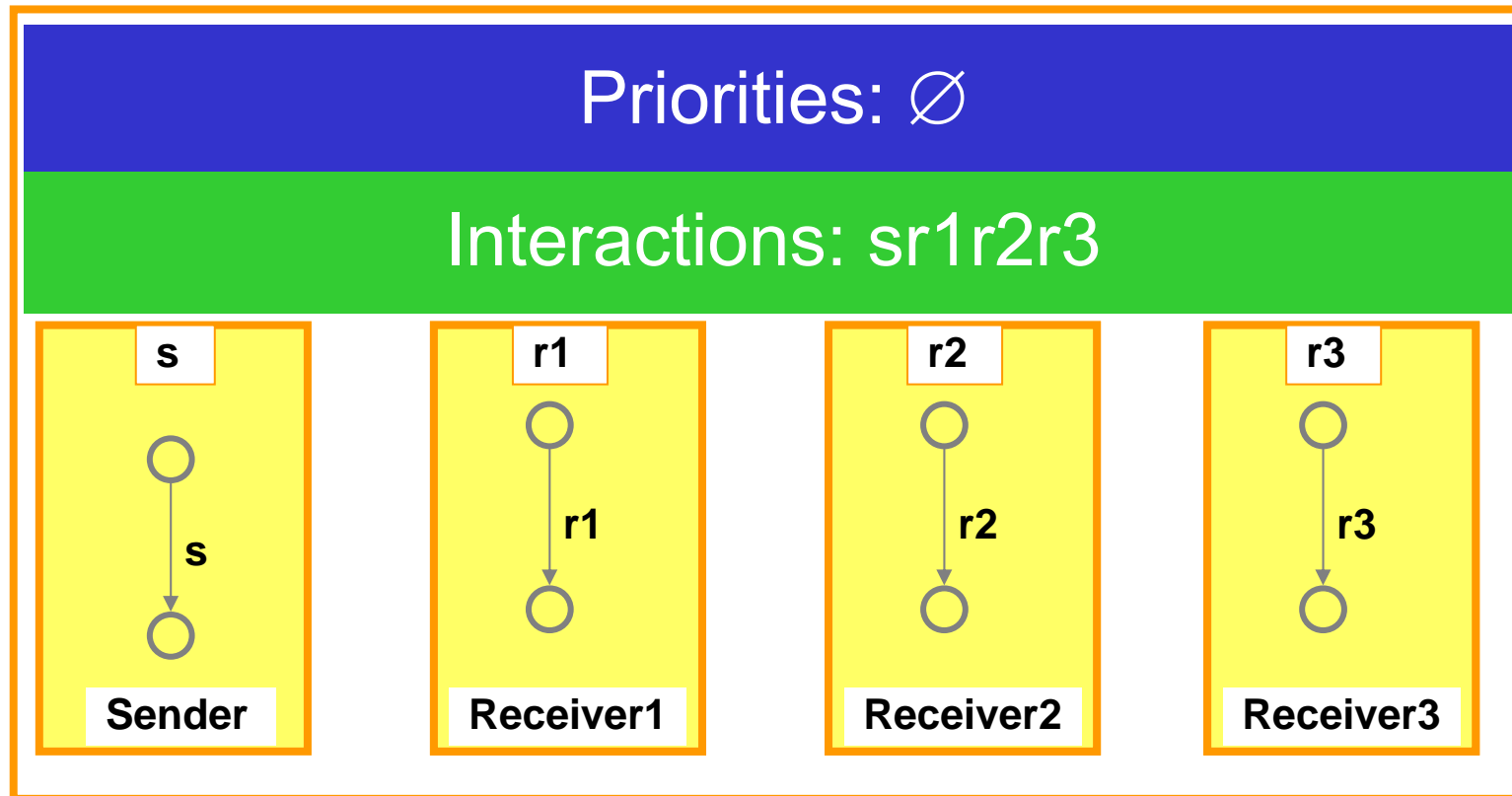
Layered component model



Composition (incremental description)



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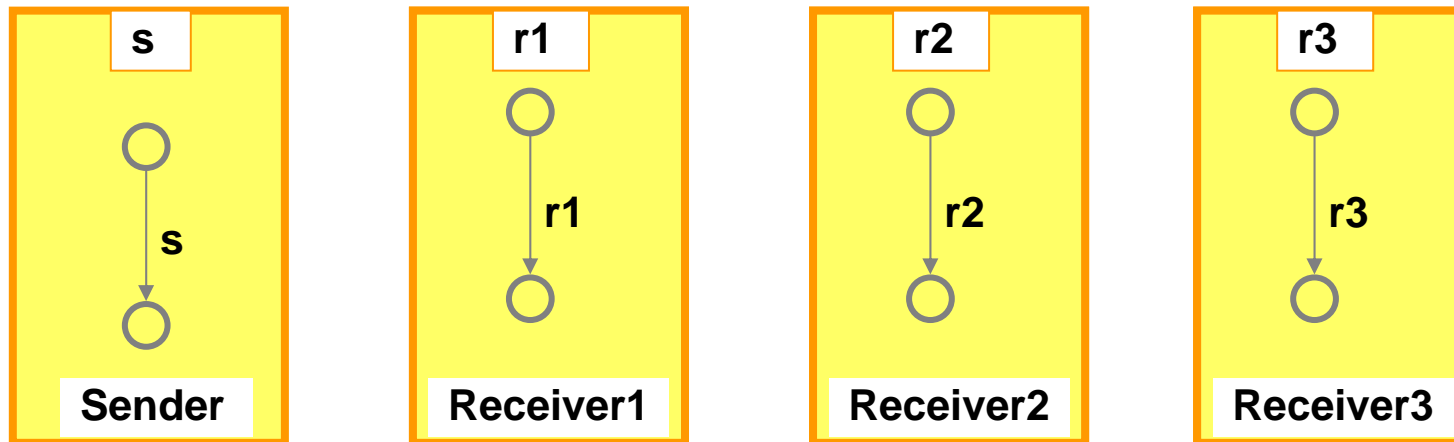


Rendezvous

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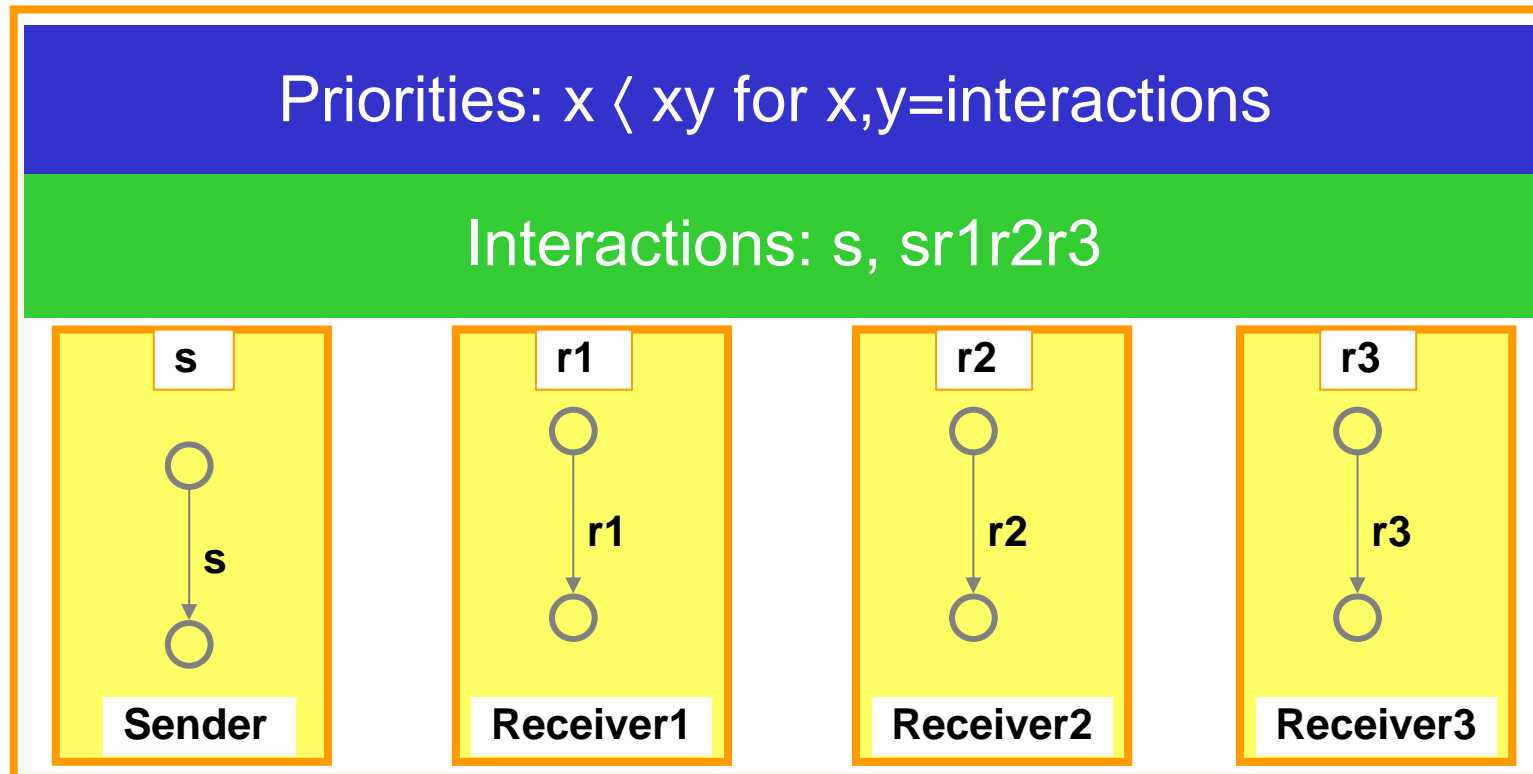
Priorities: $x \prec xy$ for x,y =interactions

Interactions: $s, sr1, sr2, sr3, sr1r2, sr2r3, sr1r3, sr1r2r3$



Broadcast

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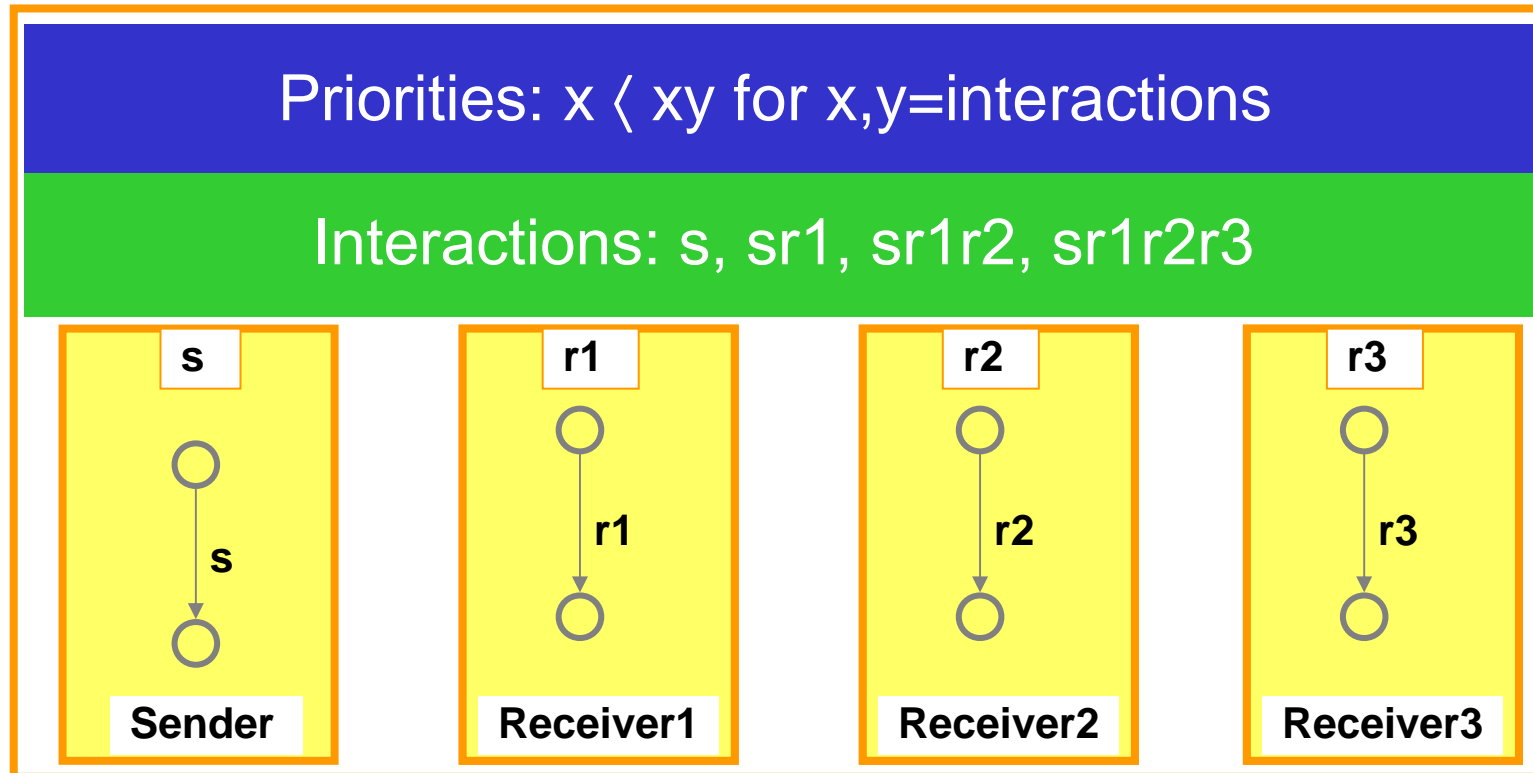


Atomic Broadcast

BIP: Basic Concepts

Priorities: $x \prec xy$ for $x, y = \text{interactions}$

Interactions: $s, sr1, sr1r2, sr1r2r3$



Causal Chain

BIP: Basic Concepts - Semantics for Interactions

Given

- a set of atomic components $\{B_i\}_{i=1..n}$ where $B_i = (Q_i, P_i, \rightarrow_i)$
- a set of interactions $\gamma \in 2^P$ where $P = \cup_{i=1..n} P_i$

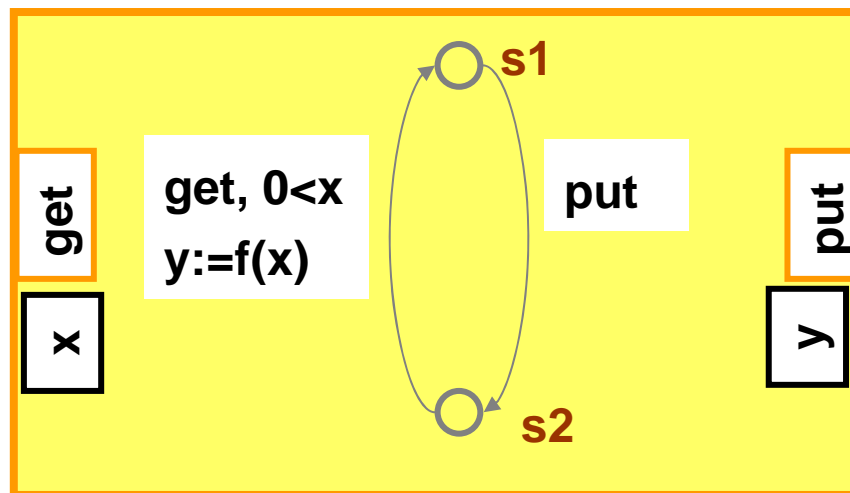
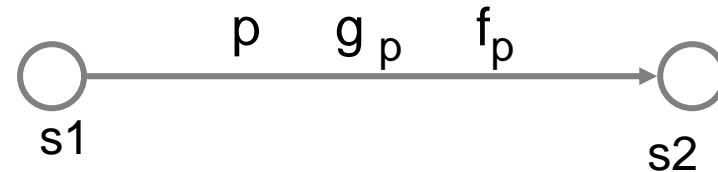
Define $\gamma(B_1, \dots, B_n) = (Q, P, \rightarrow_\gamma)$ where $Q = \times_{i=1..n} Q_i$ by the rule

$$\frac{a = \{p_i\}_{i \in I} \in \gamma \wedge \forall i \in I (p_i \in P_i \wedge q_i - p_i \rightarrow_i q'_i)}{(q_1, \dots, q_n) - a \rightarrow_\gamma (q'_1, \dots, q'_n) \text{ where } q'_i = q_i \text{ if } i \notin I}$$

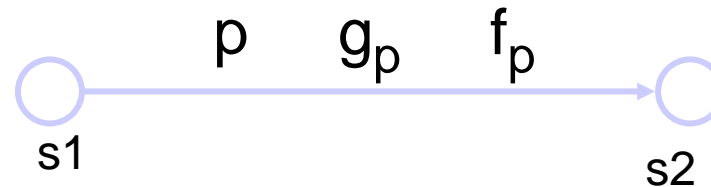
BIP: Basic Concepts - Behavior Modeling

An atomic component has

- A set of ports P
- A set of control locations S
- A set of variables V
- A set of transitions of the form
 - p is a port
 - g_p is a guard, boolean expression on V
 - f_p is a function on V (block of code)



BIP: Basic Concepts - Behavior Modeling



p : a port through which interaction is sought

g_p : a pre-condition for interaction through p

f_p : a computation (local state transformation)

Semantics: interaction followed by computation

- A transition is enabled if g_p is true and some interaction involving p is possible
- The execution of the enabled transition involves the execution of an interaction involving p followed by the execution of f_p

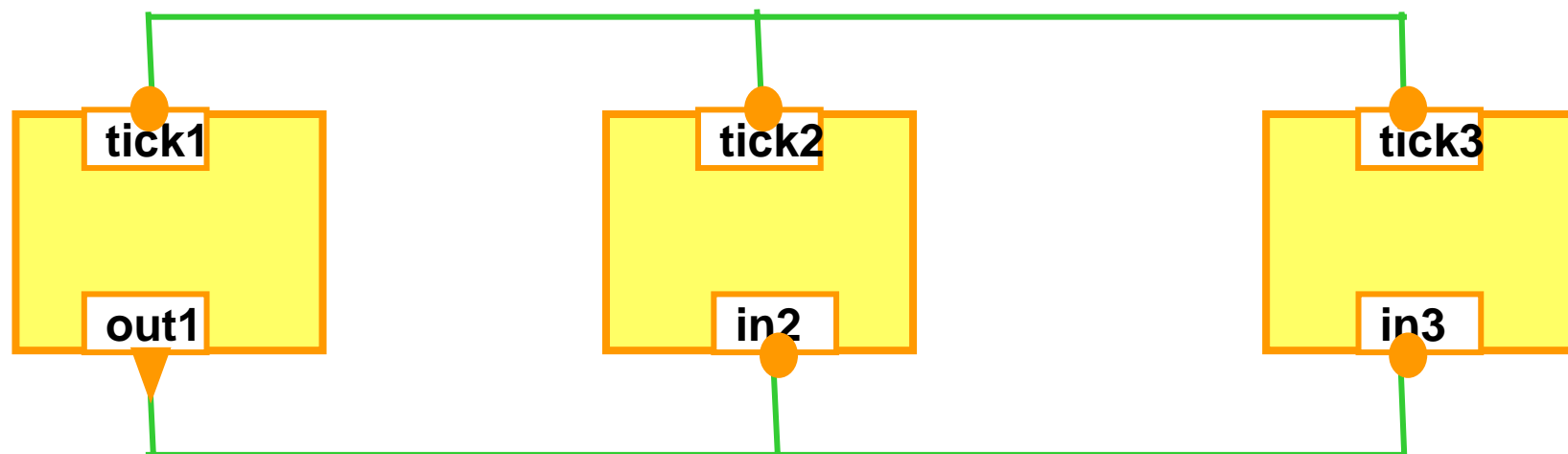
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Interaction Modeling: Connectors

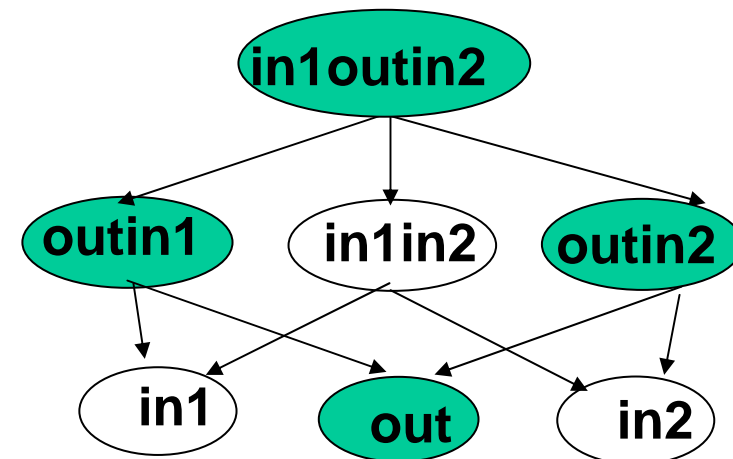
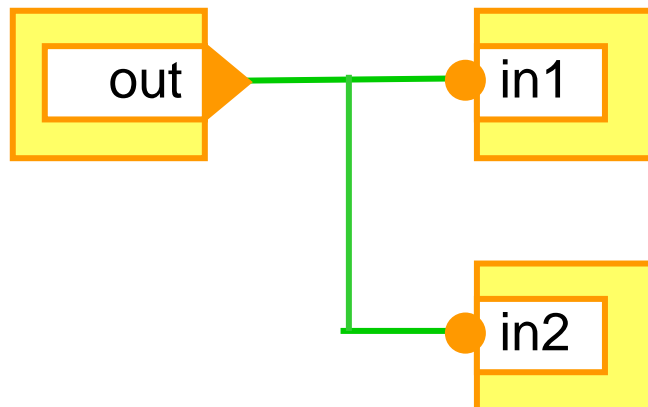
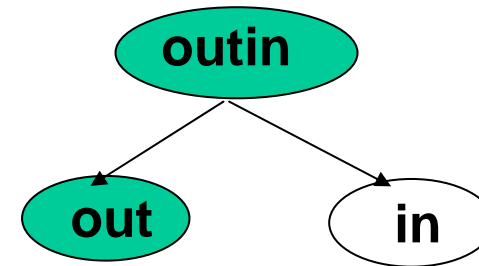
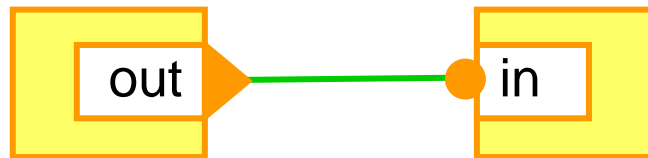
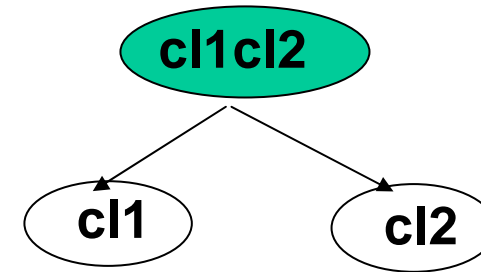
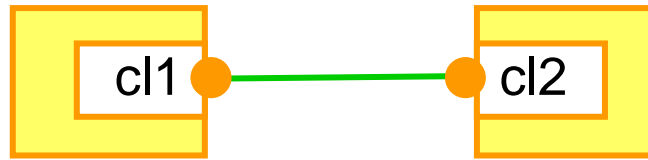
- A **connector** is a set of ports which can be involved in an interaction
- Port attributes (**trigger** ▼, **synchron** ●) are used to model rendezvous and broadcast.
- An **interaction** of a connector is a set of ports such that: either it contains some trigger or it is maximal.



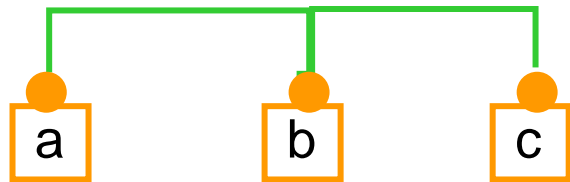
Interactions:

tick1tick2tick3, out1, out1in2, out1in3, out1in2in3

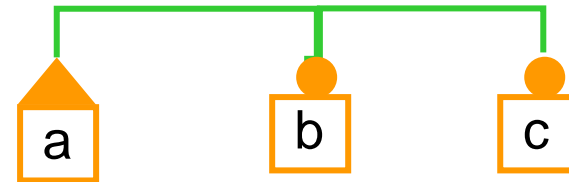
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Interaction Modeling: Hierarchical Connectors

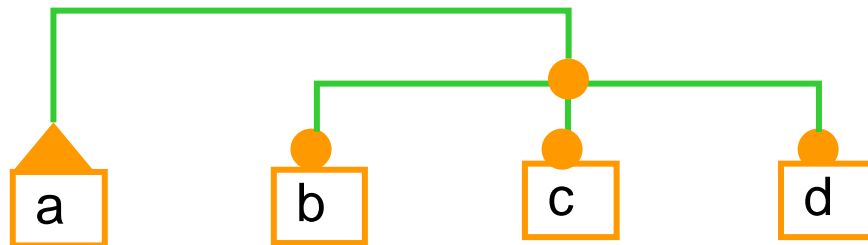


Rendezvous: abc



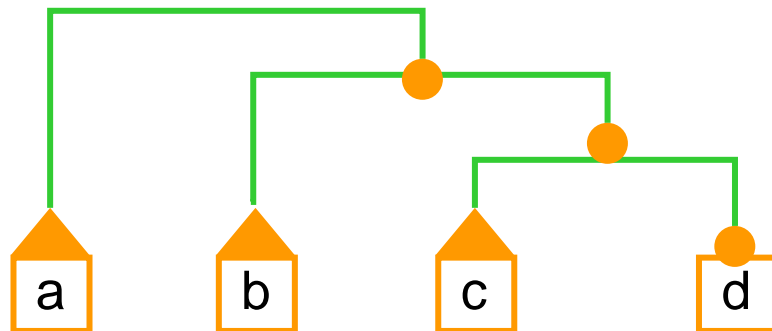
Broadcast:

$$a(1+b)(1+c) = a + ab + ac + abc$$



Atomic Broadcast:

$$a(1+ bcd) = a + abcd$$



Causal chain:

$$a(1+b(1+c(1+d))) \\ = a + ab + abc + abcd$$

Interaction Modeling: The Algebra of Connectors

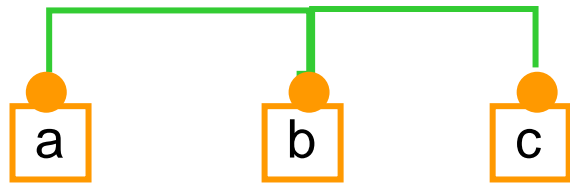
Syntax: For P be a set of ports, such that $0,1 \notin P$, $AC(P)$ is defined by

$$s ::= [0] \mid [1] \mid [p] \mid [x] \quad (\text{synchronons})$$
$$t ::= [0]' \mid [1]' \mid [p]' \mid [x]' \quad (\text{triggers})$$
$$x ::= s \mid t \mid x.x \mid x + x$$

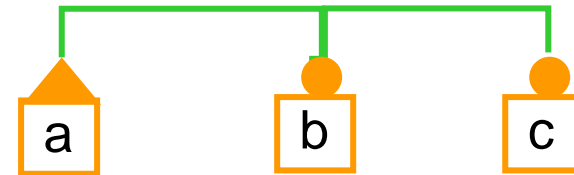
where

- $[]$, $[]'$ are unary *typing* operators
- $.$ is the *fusion* operator which is associative, commutative, $[1]$ is an identity element and $[0]$ is an absorbing element
- $+$ is the *union* operator.

Interaction Modeling: Hierarchical Connectors

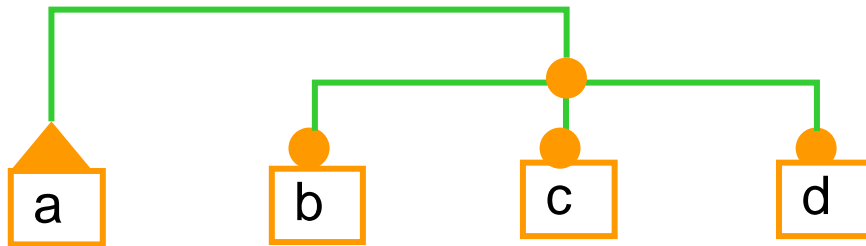


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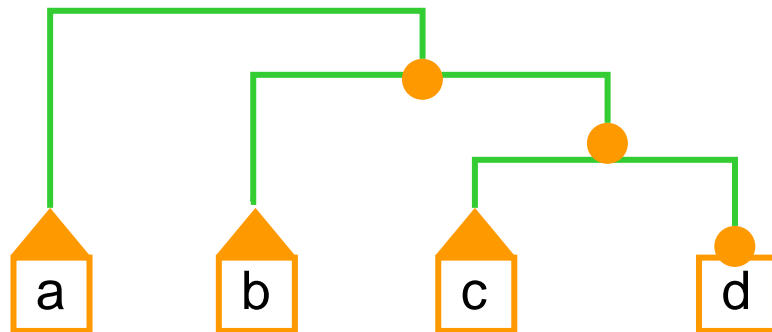
Broadcast:

$$a'bc = a(1+b)(1+c)$$



Atomic Broadcast:

$$a'[bcd] = a(1+ bcd)$$

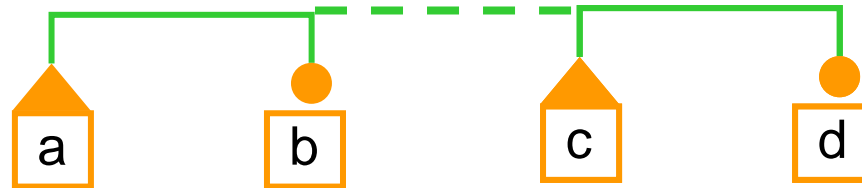


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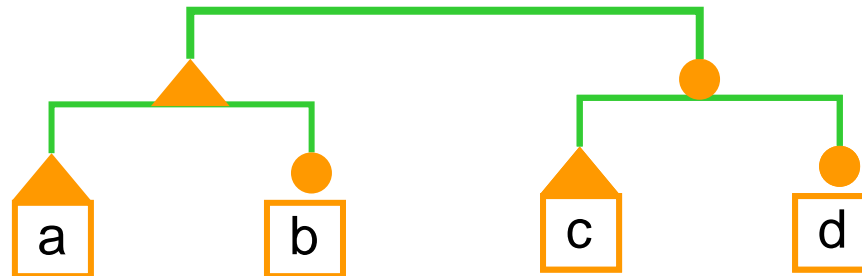
$$a'[b'[c'd]] = a(1+b(1+c(1+d)))$$

Interaction Modeling: The Algebra of Connectors - Fusion vs. Typing

For two connectors $\gamma_1 = a'.b$ and $\gamma_2 = c'.d$



$$\gamma_1 \cdot \gamma_2 = a'bc'd = a'bcd + abc'd$$



$$[\gamma_1]' \cdot [\gamma_2]' = [a'b]' \cdot [c'd]'$$

Interaction Modeling: The Algebra of Connectors - Equivalence vs. Congruence

Definition: $\gamma_1 \approx \gamma_2$ if γ_1 and γ_2 represent the same set of interactions



Remark: \approx is not a congruence as it is not preserved by fusion, for example $a'b \approx a+ab$ and $a'bc \not\approx ac+abc$

Semantics in terms of causality trees preserving the causality relation induced by triggers

Interaction Modeling: Composition - Data Transfer

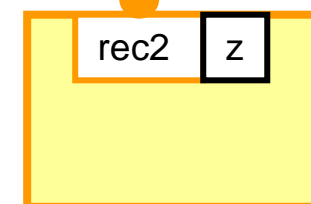
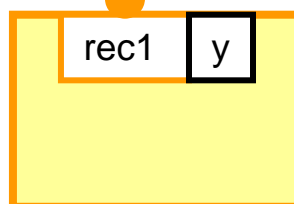
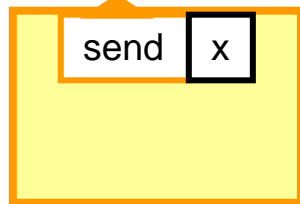
CN: $BUS = \{send, rec1, rec2\}$

$send: true \rightarrow skip$

$send.rec1: x < y \rightarrow x := y - x, y := y + x$

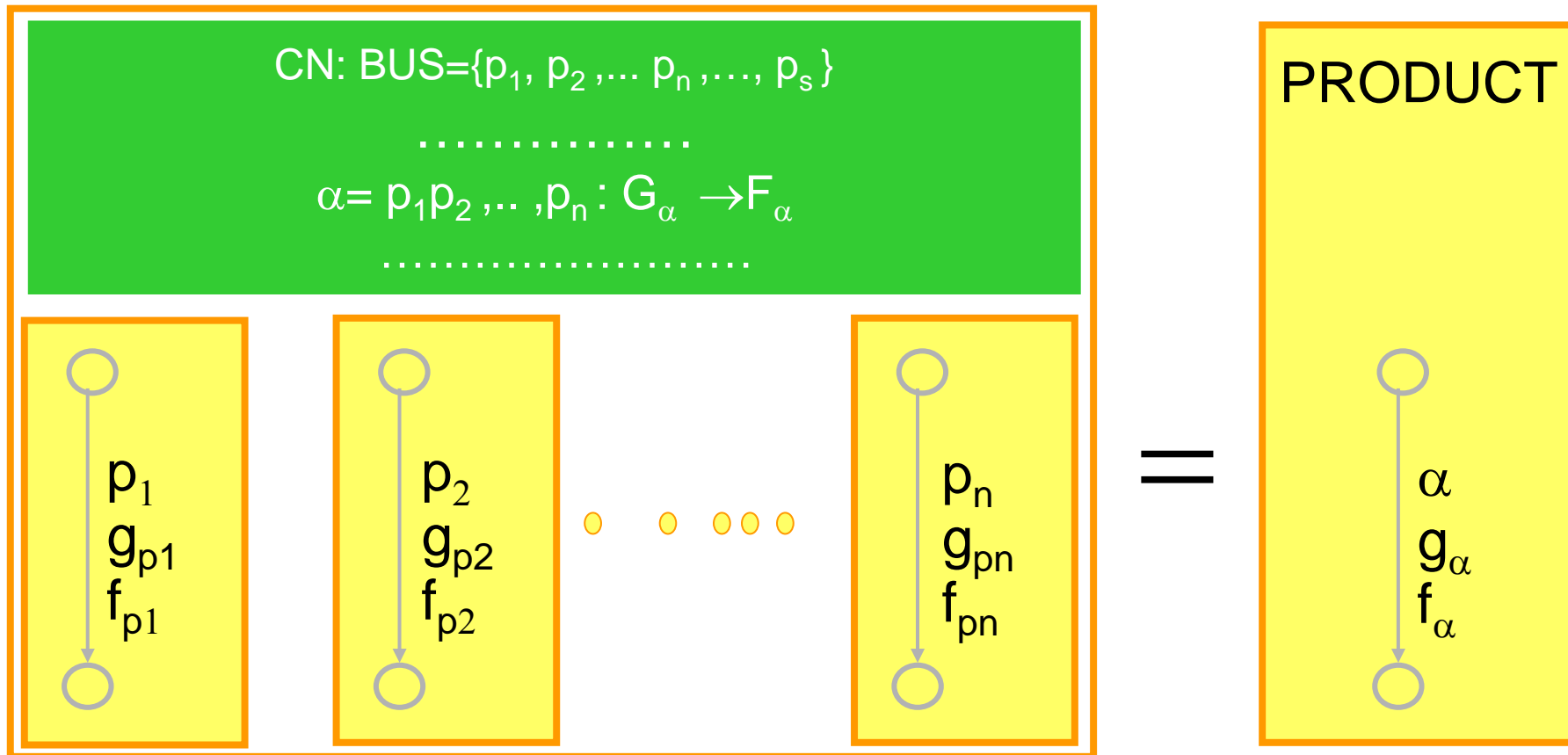
$send.rec2: x < z \rightarrow x := z - x, z := z + x$

$send.rec1.rec2: x < z + y \rightarrow x := y + z - x, y := y + x, z := z + x$



Maximal progress: execute a maximal enabled interaction

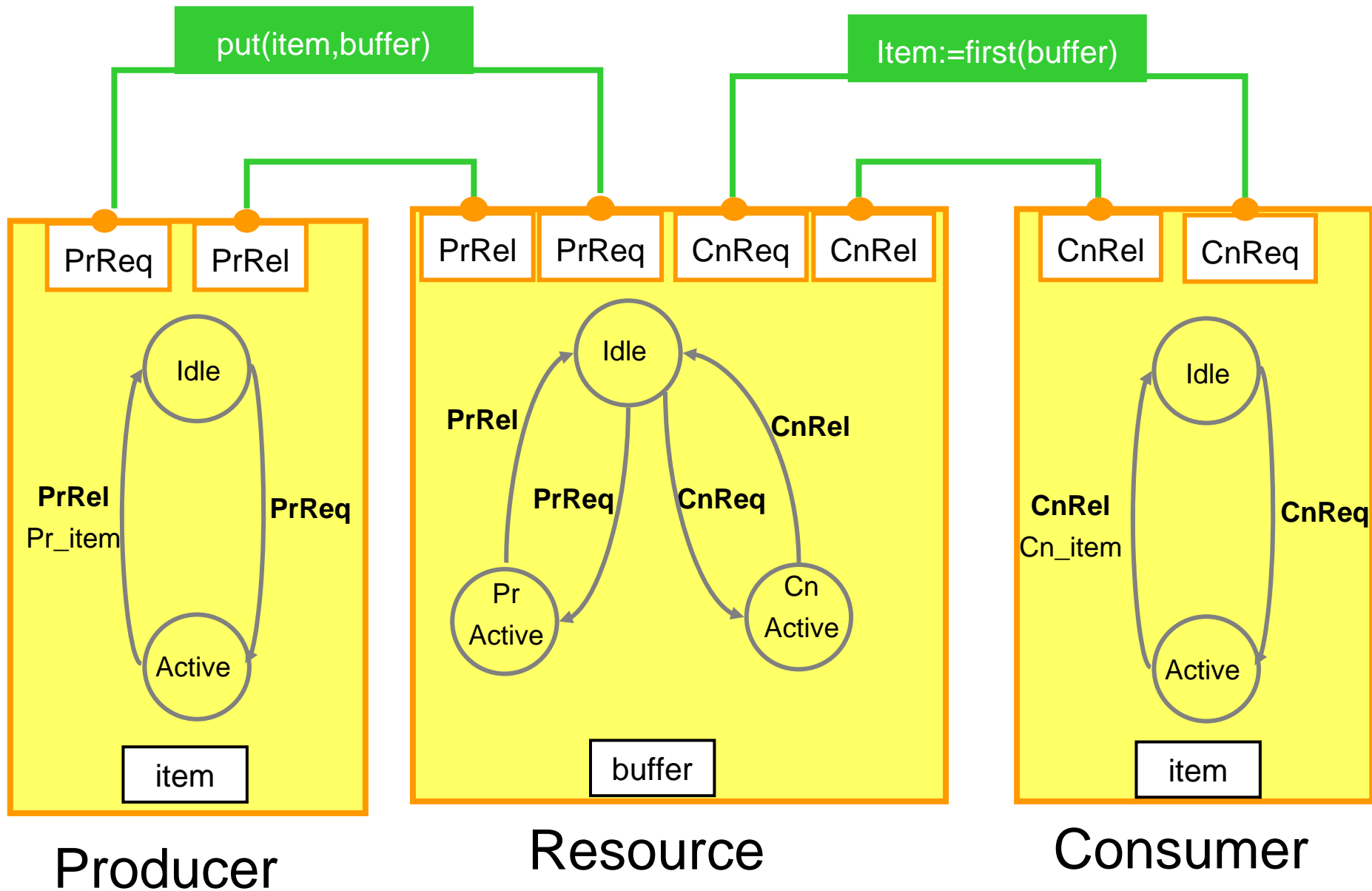
Interaction Modeling: Composition - Semantics



$$g_\alpha = g_{p1} \wedge g_{p2} \wedge \dots \wedge g_{pn} \wedge G_\alpha$$

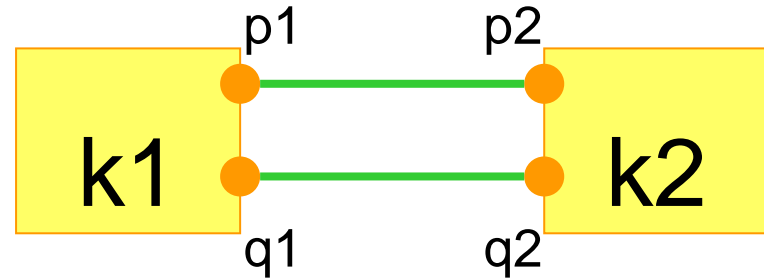
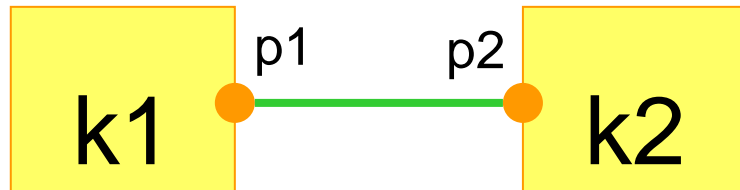
$$f_\alpha = F_\alpha; f_{p1}, f_{p2}, \dots, f_{pn}$$

Interaction Modeling: Producer-Consumer

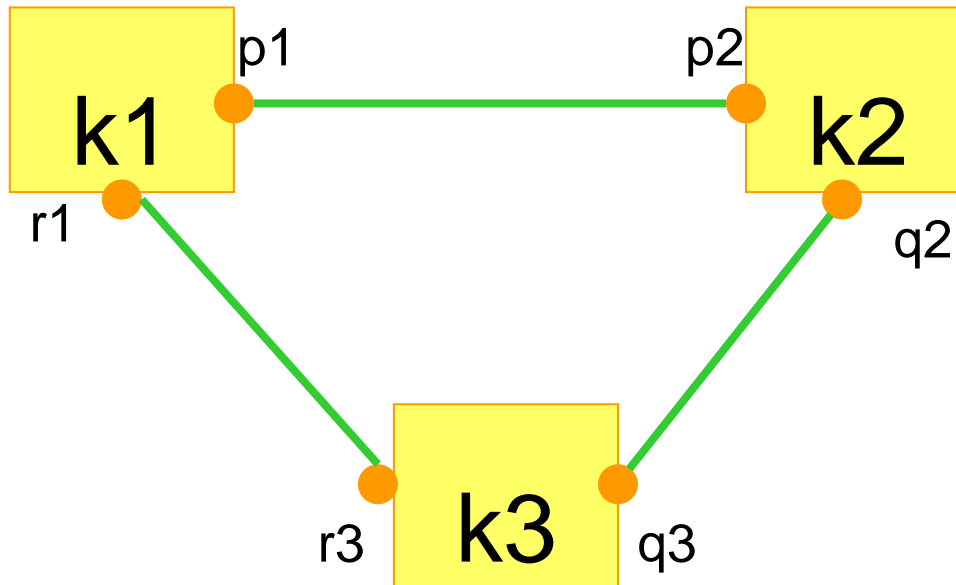


Interaction Modeling: Checking for Deadlock-freedom

For K1,K2,K3 deadlock-free components




$$en(p1) \wedge \neg en(p2) \wedge \neg en(q1) \wedge en(q2)$$



$$en(p1) \wedge \neg en(p2) \wedge en(q2) \wedge \neg en(q3) \wedge en(r3) \wedge \neg en(r1)$$

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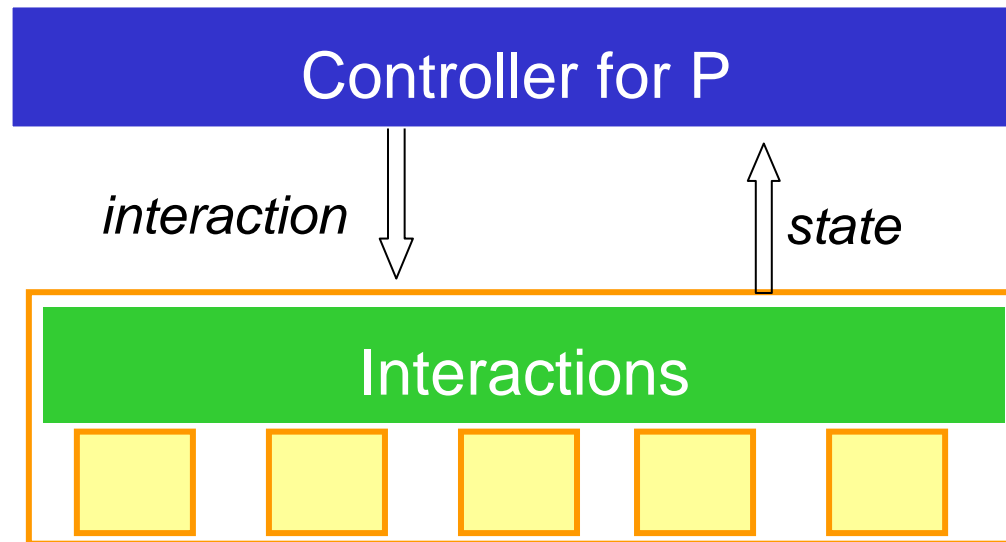
Priorities

Priorities are a powerful tool for restricting non-determinism

- they allow straightforward modeling of urgency and scheduling policies for real-time systems
- run to completion and synchronous execution can be modeled by assigning priorities to threads
- they can advantageously replace (static) restriction of process algebras

Priorities: Priorities as Controllers

A controller restricts the non determinism of system S to enforce a property P

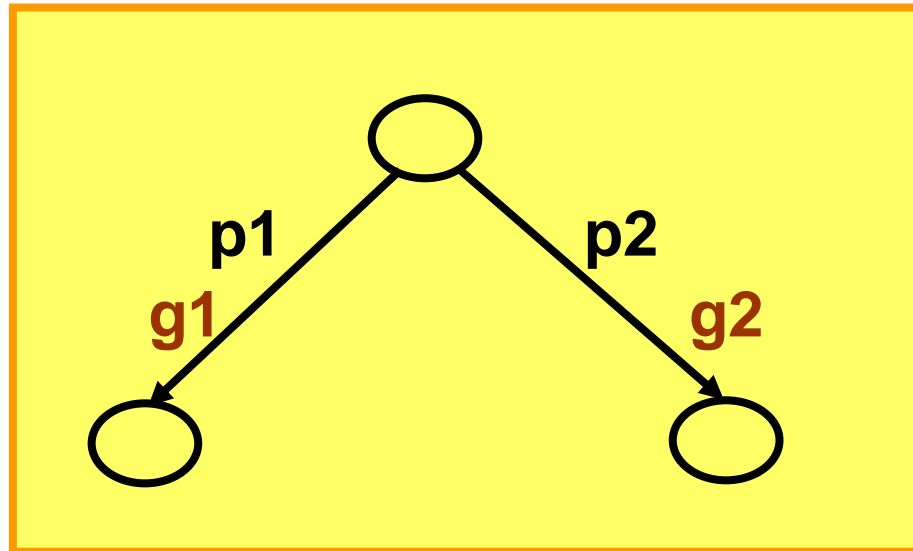


Results [Goessler&Sifakis, FMCO2003] :

- Restrictions induced by controllers enforcing deadlock-free state invariants can be described by dynamic priorities
- Conversely, for any restriction induced by dynamic priorities there exists a controller enforcing a deadlock-free control invariant

Priorities: Definition

Priority rules

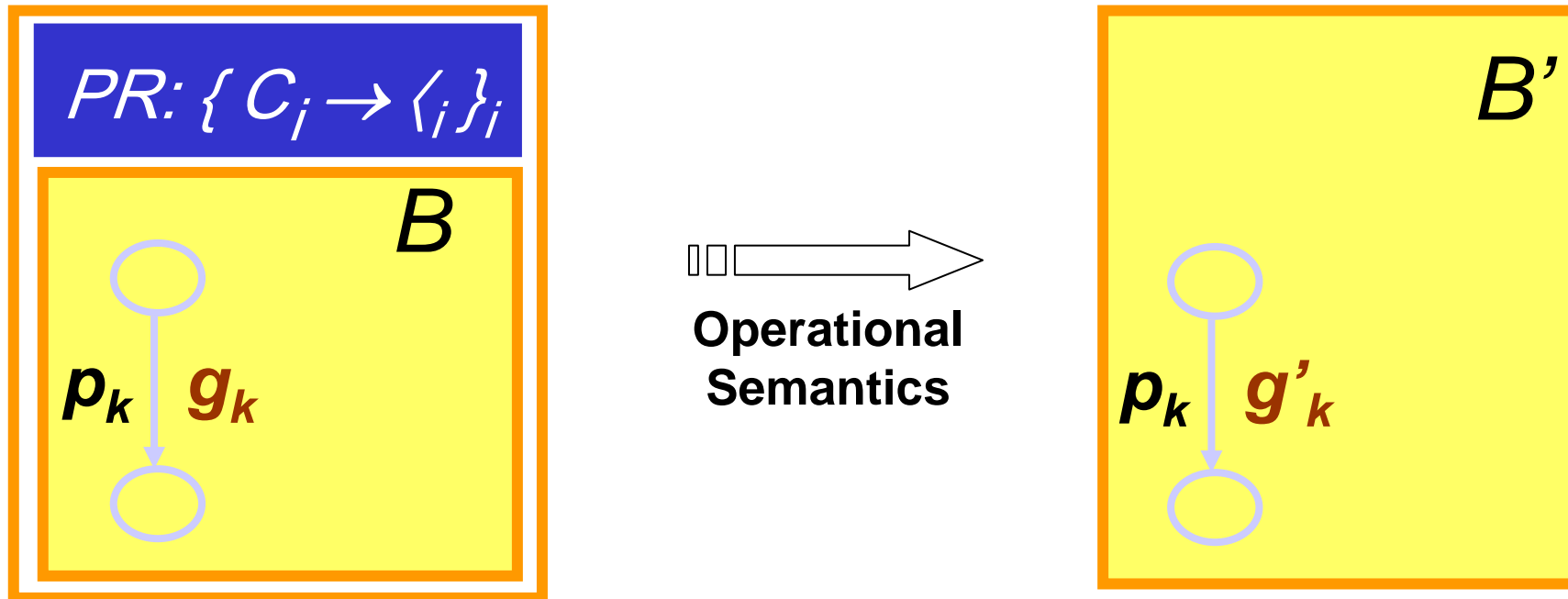


Priority rule	Restricted guard $g1'$
$\text{true} \rightarrow p1 \prec p2$	$g1' = g1 \wedge \neg g2$
$C \rightarrow p1 \prec p2$	$g1' = g1 \wedge \neg(C \wedge g2)$

Priorities: Definition

A *priority order* is a strict partial order $\prec \subseteq Inter \times Inter$

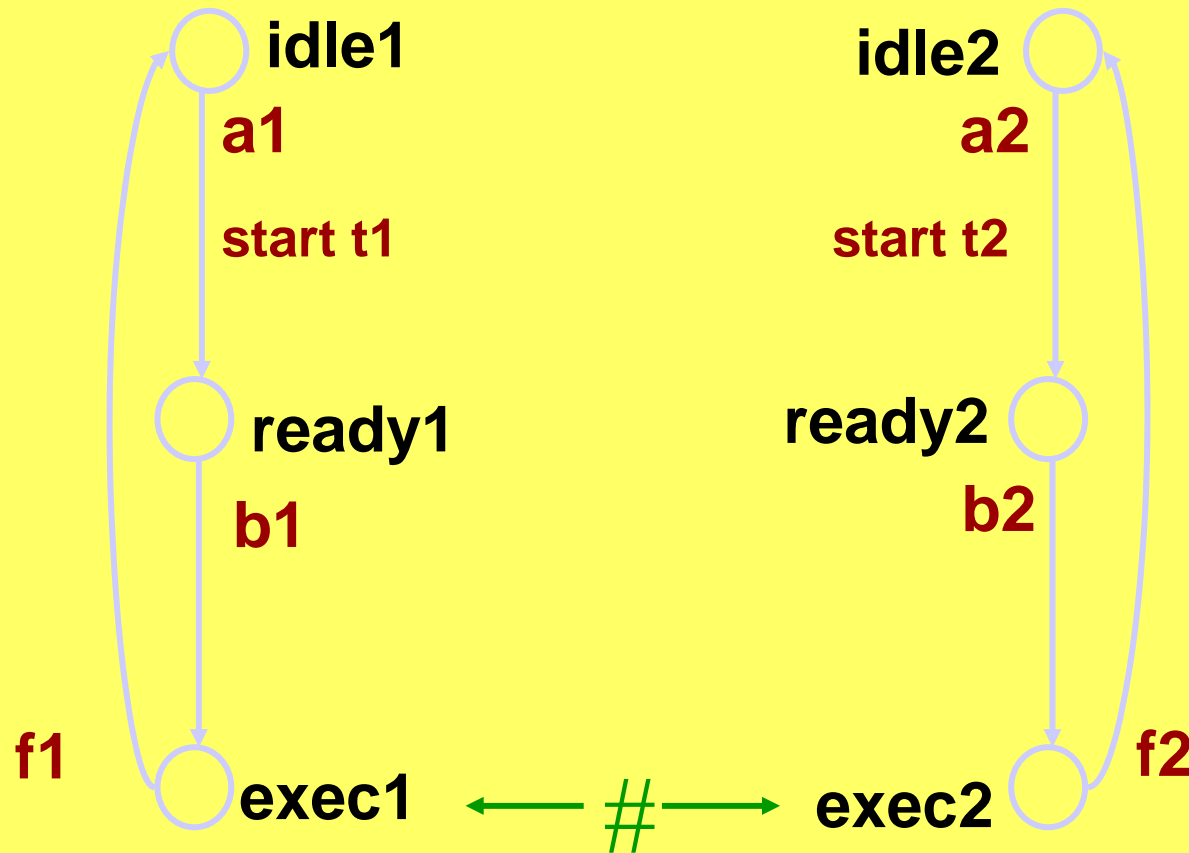
A set of *priority rules*, $PR = \{ C_i \rightarrow \langle_i \rangle_i$ where $\{C_i\}_i$ is a set of disjoint state predicates



$$g'_k = g_k \wedge \bigwedge_{C \rightarrow \langle \in PR} (C \Rightarrow \bigwedge_{pk \langle pi} \neg g_j)$$

Priorities: FIFO policy

PR : $t1 \leq t2 \rightarrow b1 \prec b2$ $t2 < t1 \rightarrow b2 \prec b1$

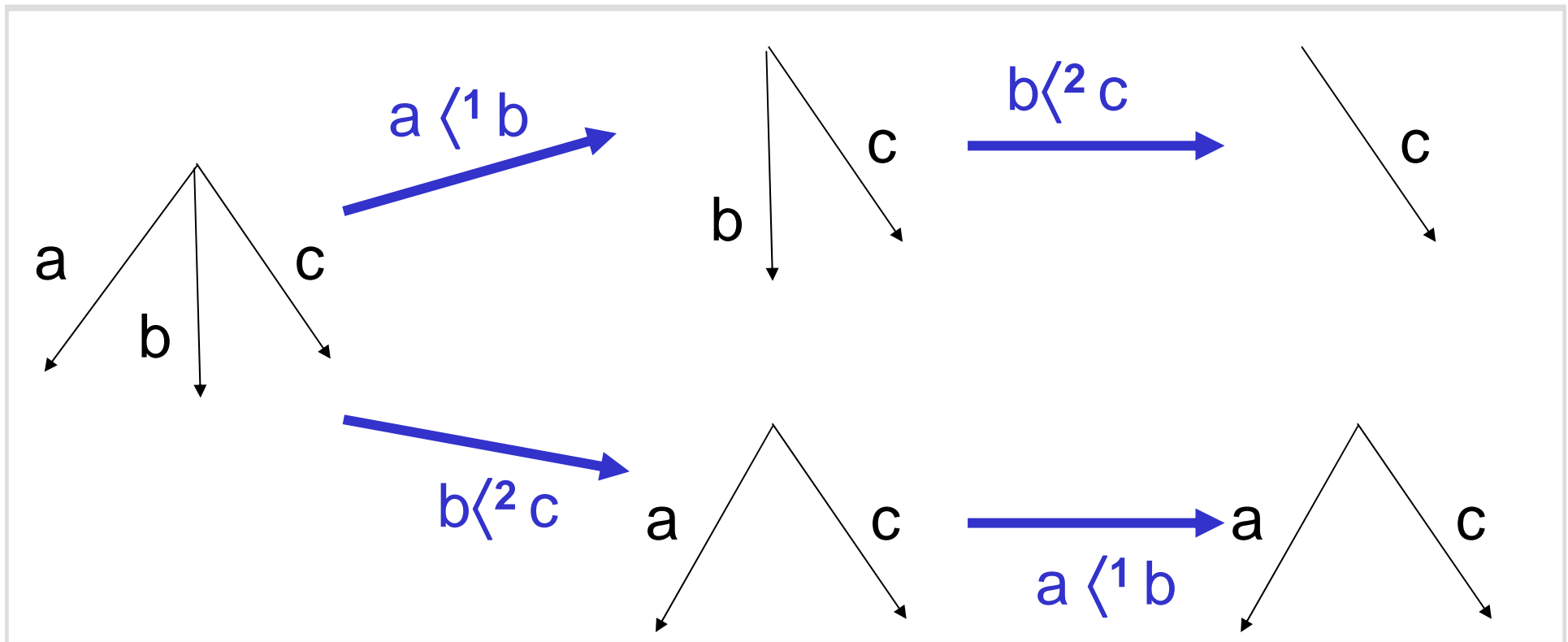
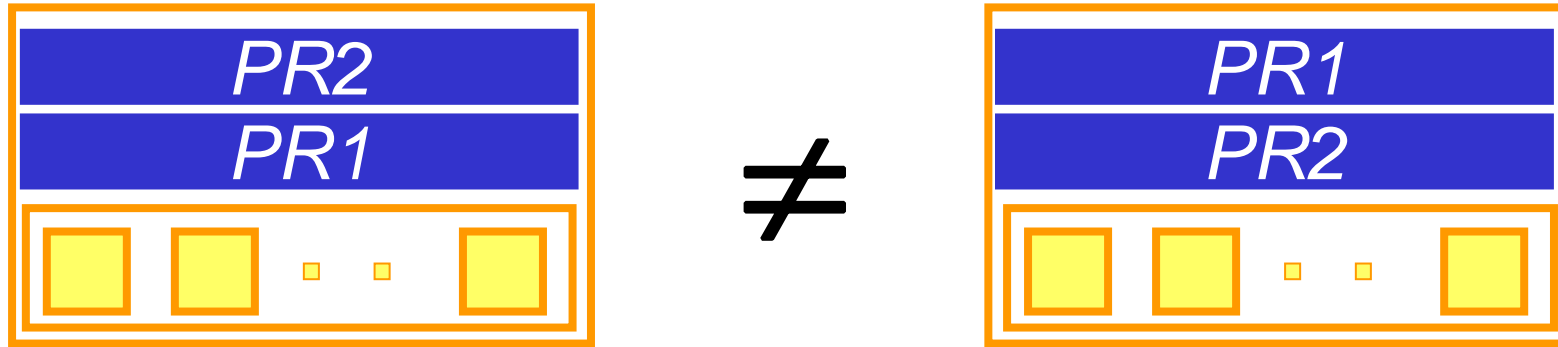


Priorities: EDF policy

PR: $D1-t1 \leq D2-t2 \rightarrow b2 \prec b1$ $D2-t2 < D1-t1 \rightarrow b1 \prec b2$

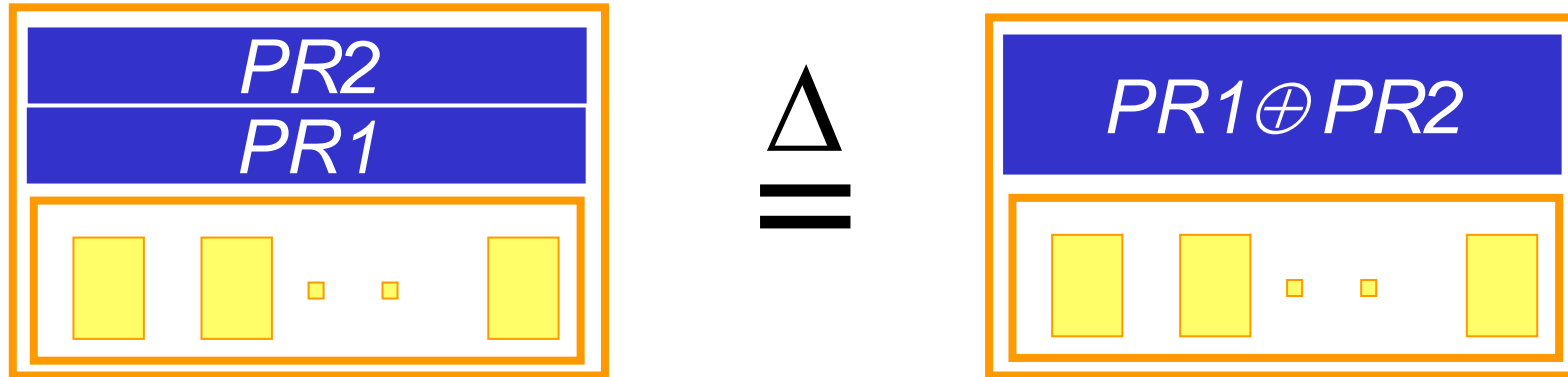


Priorities: Composition



Priority modeling– Composition (2)

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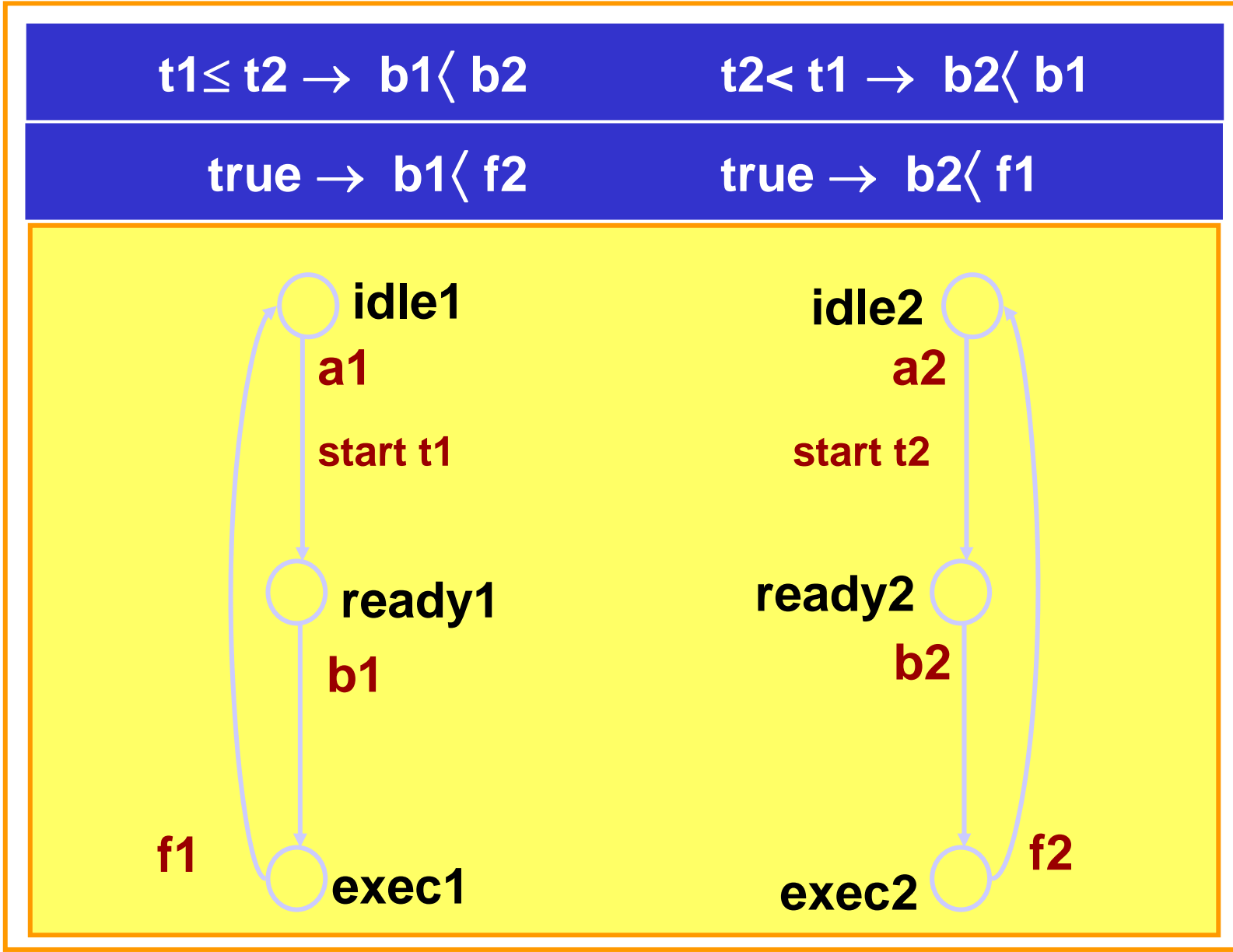


$PR1 \oplus PR2$ is the least priority containing $PR1 \cup PR2$

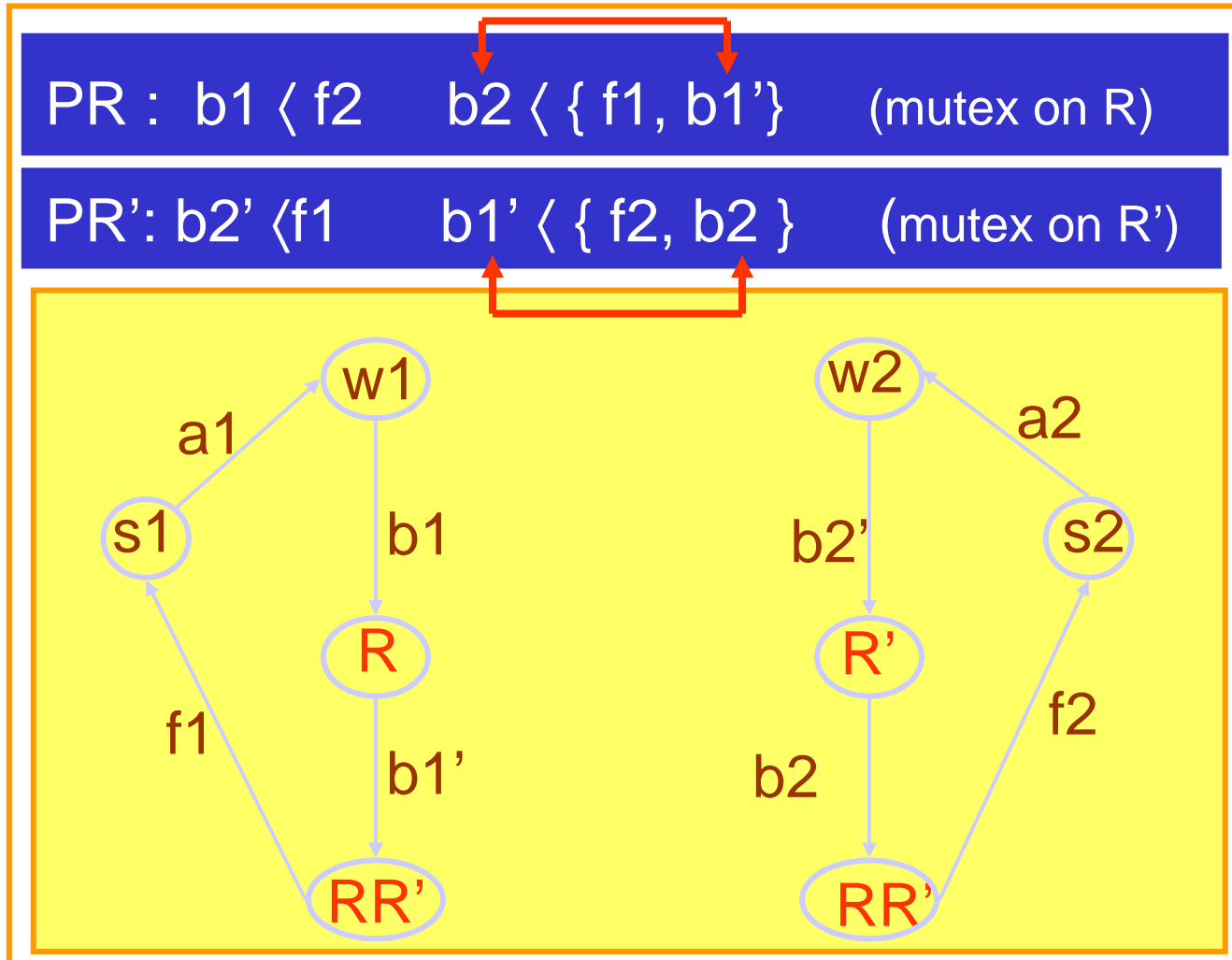
Results :

- The operation \oplus is partial, associative and commutative
- $PR1(PR2(B)) \neq PR2(PR1(B))$
- $PR1 \oplus PR2(B)$ *refines* $PR1 \cup PR2(B)$ *refines* $PR1(PR2(B))$
- Priorities preserve deadlock-freedom

Priorities: Mutual Exclusion + FIFO policy



Priorities: Mutual Exclusion - Example



Risk of deadlock: $PR \oplus PR'$ is not defined

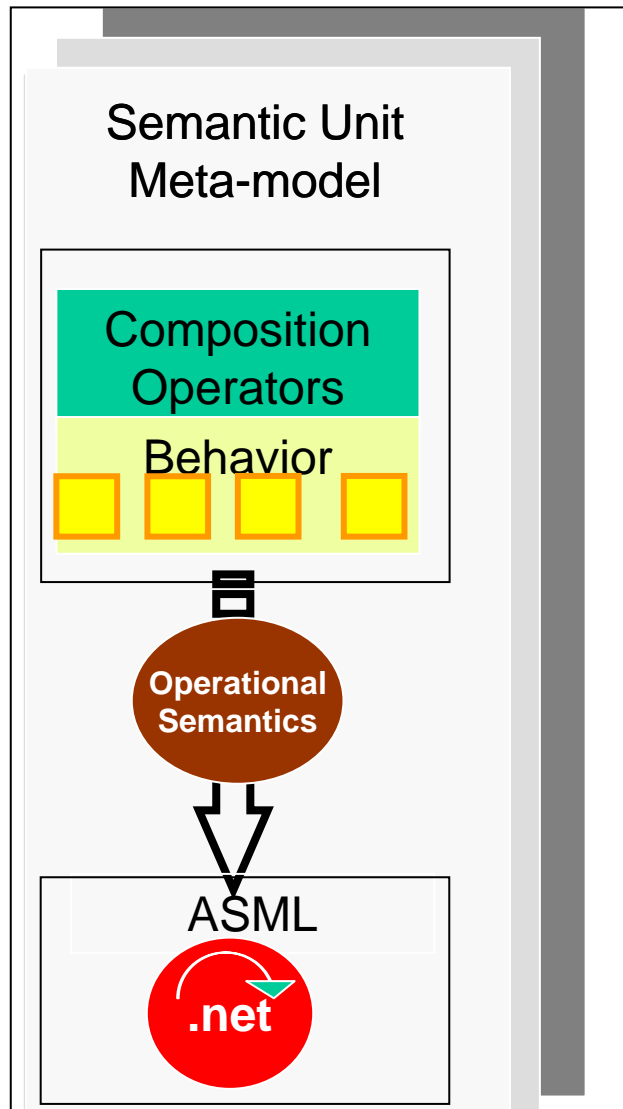
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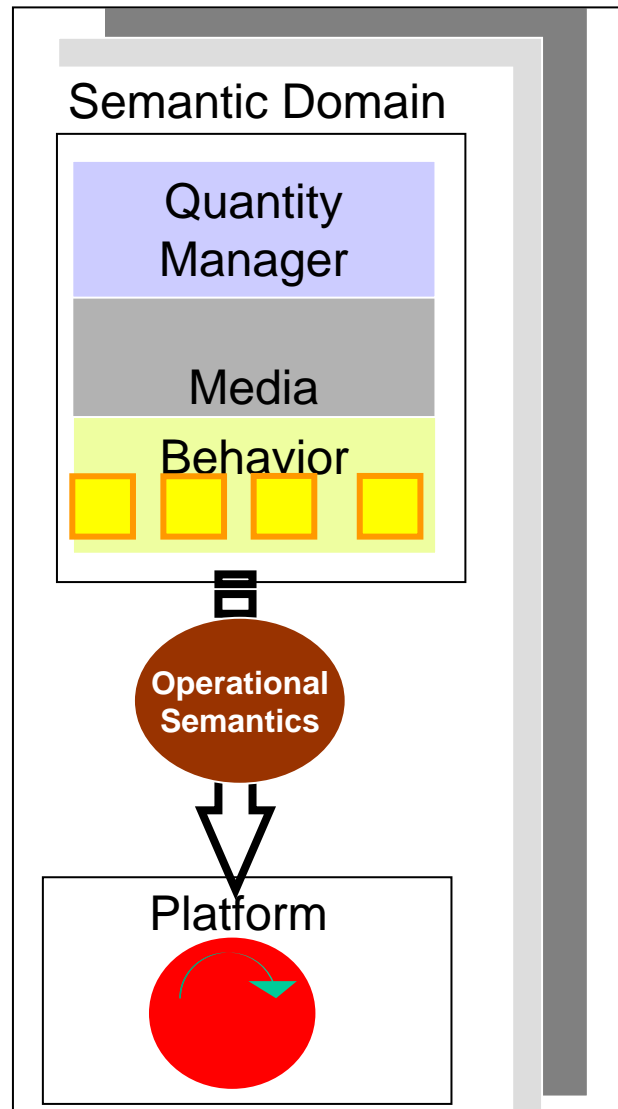


The BIP Framework: Model Construction Space - Related Approaches

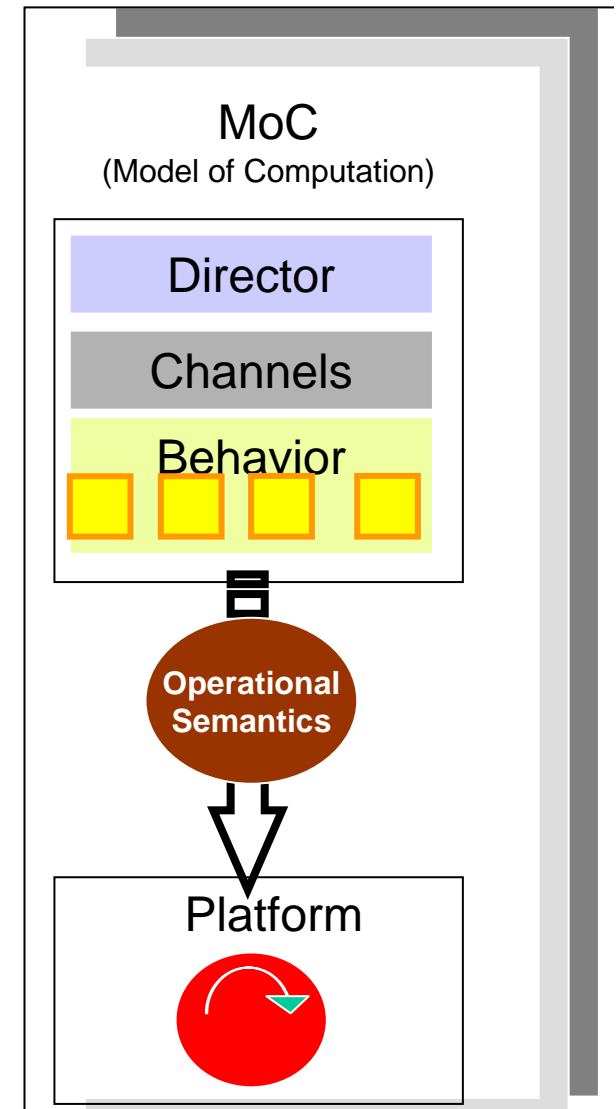
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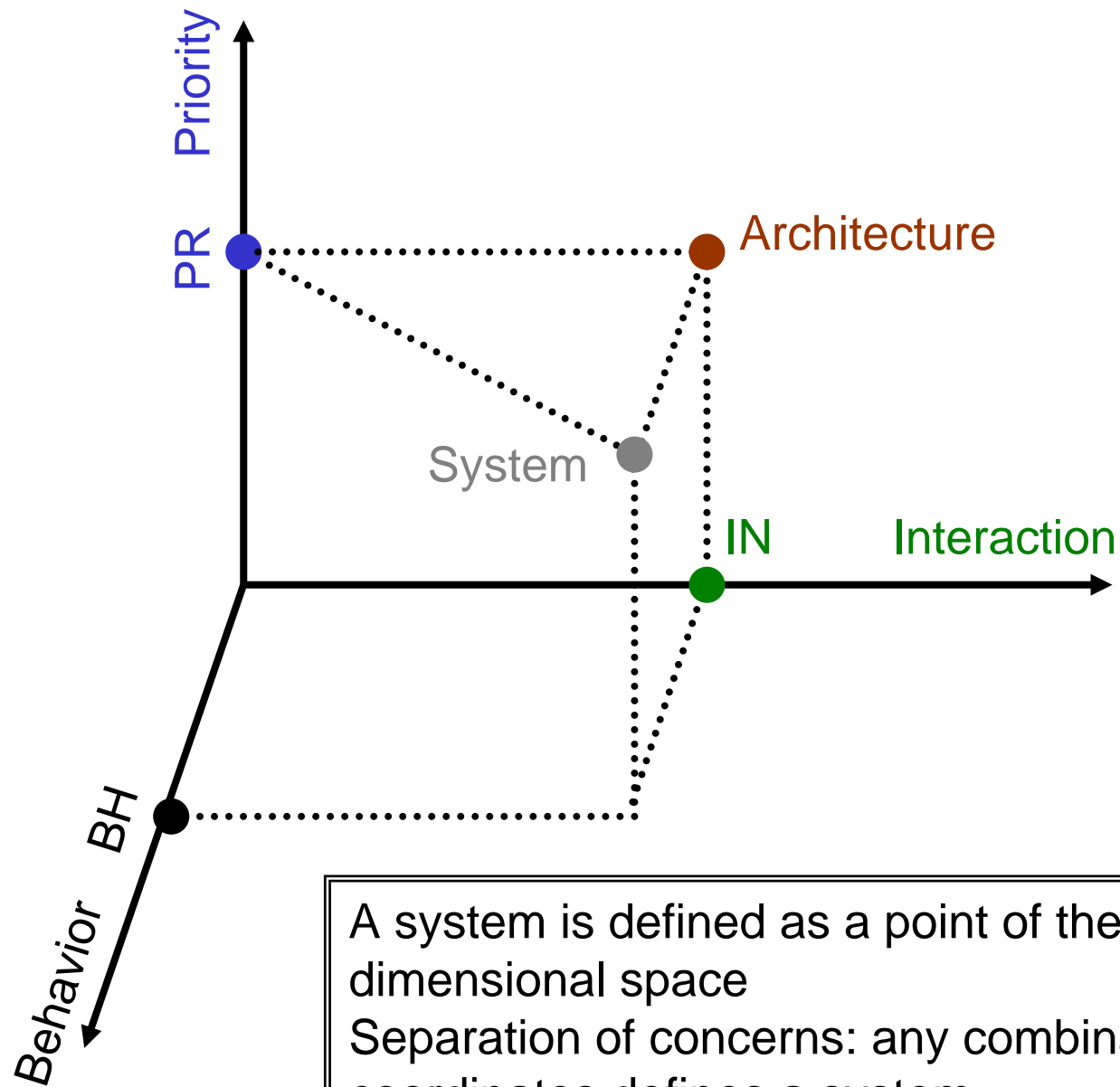
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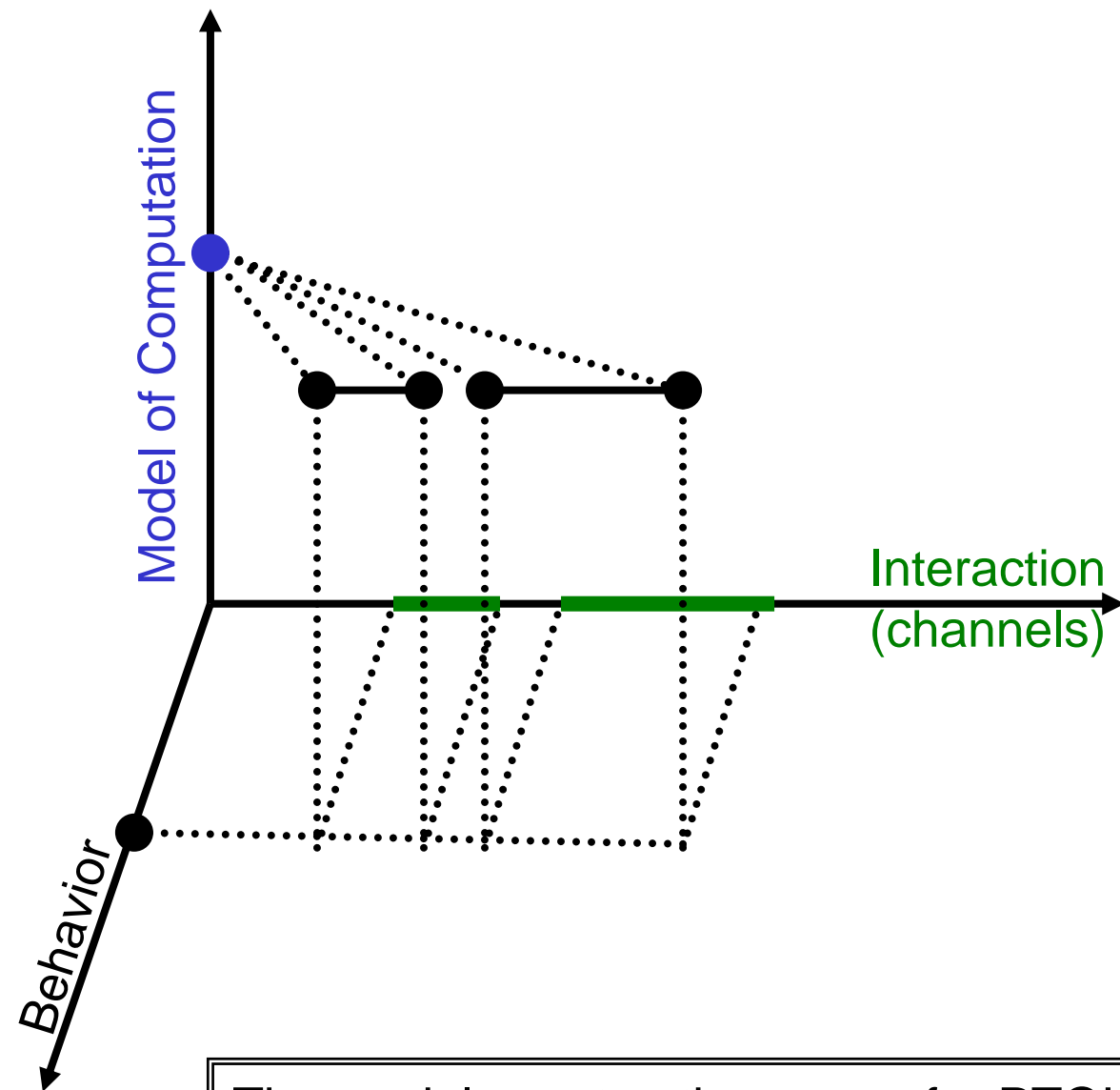


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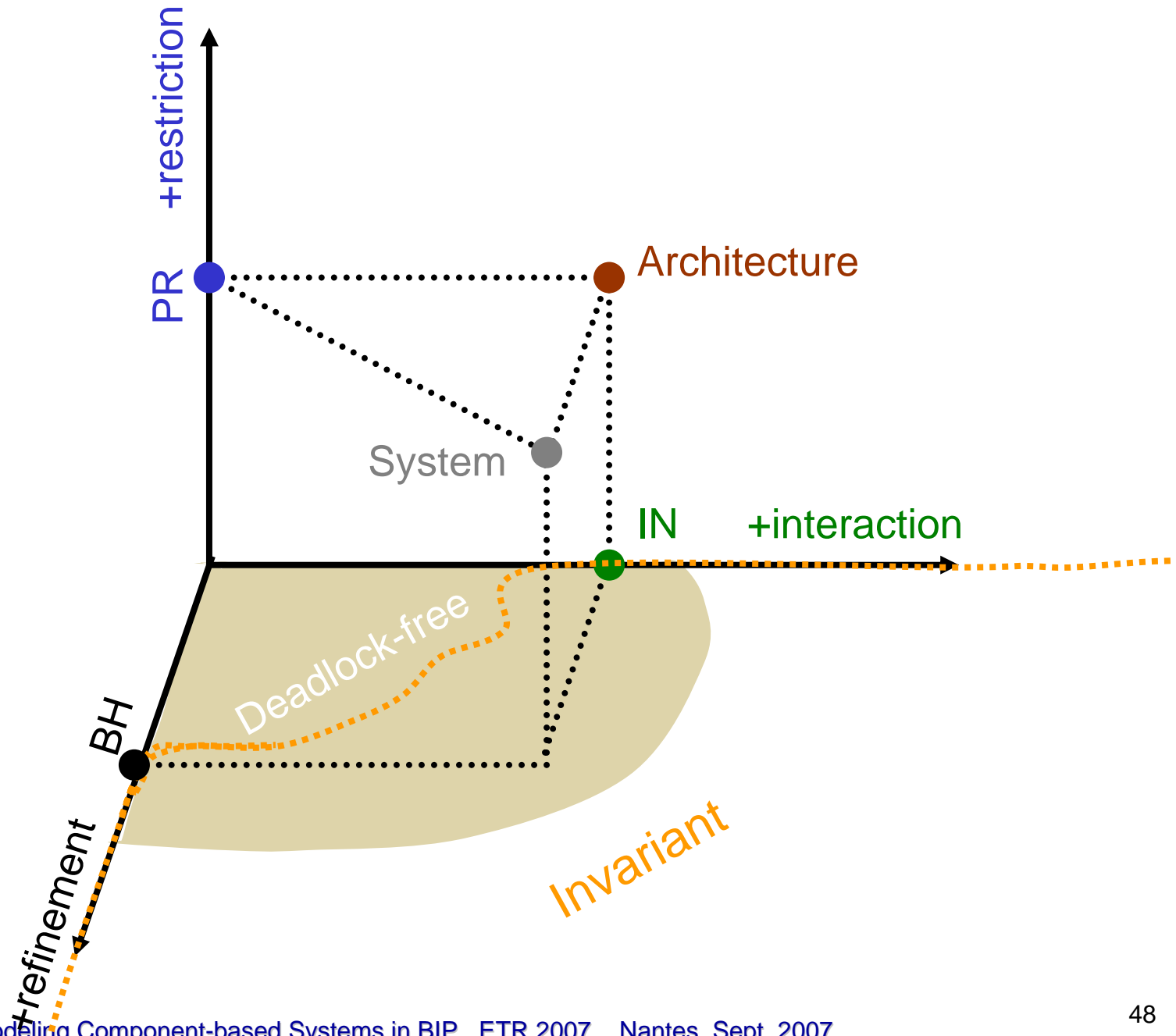


A system is defined as a point of the 3-dimensional space
Separation of concerns: any combination of coordinates defines a system

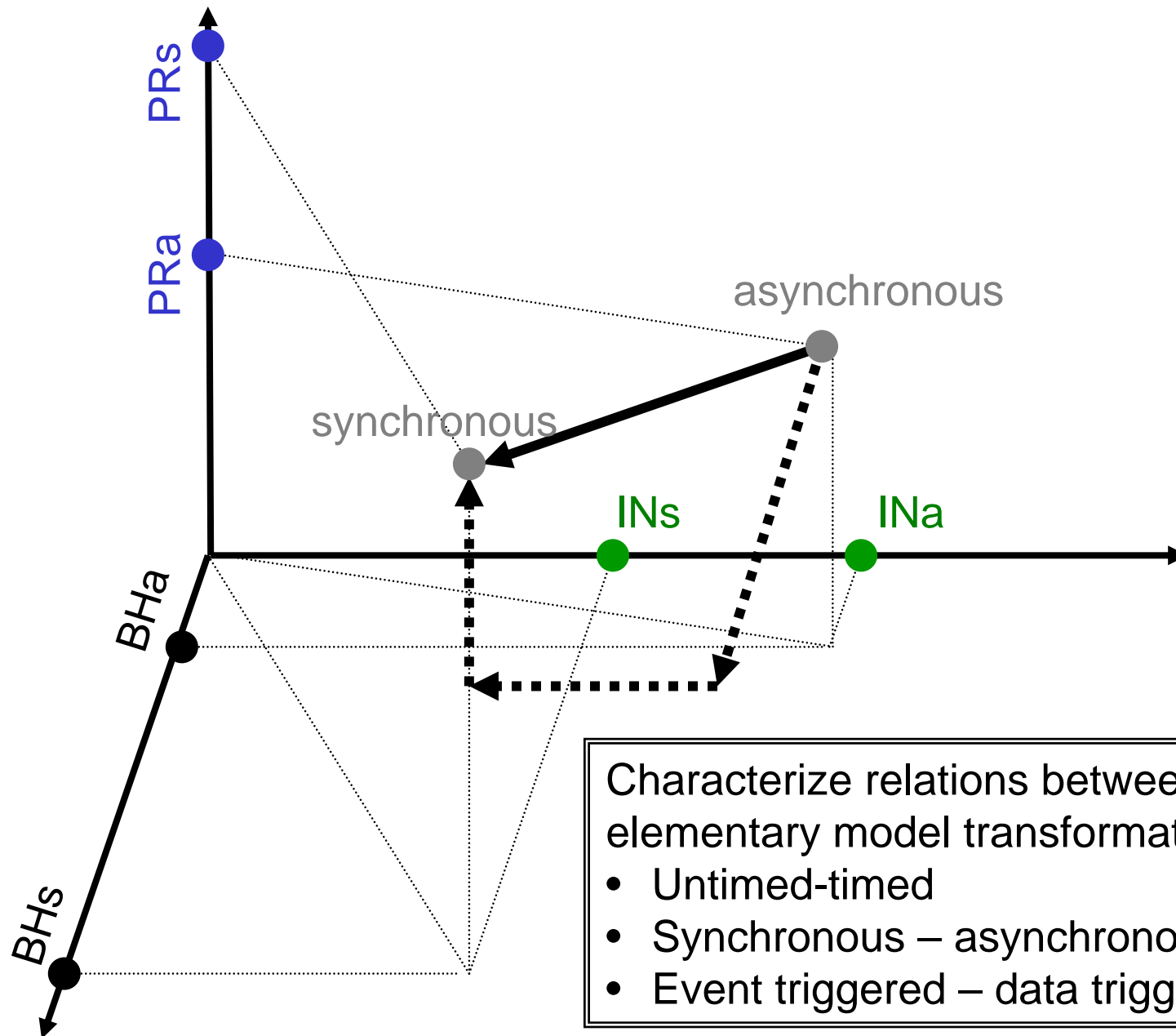
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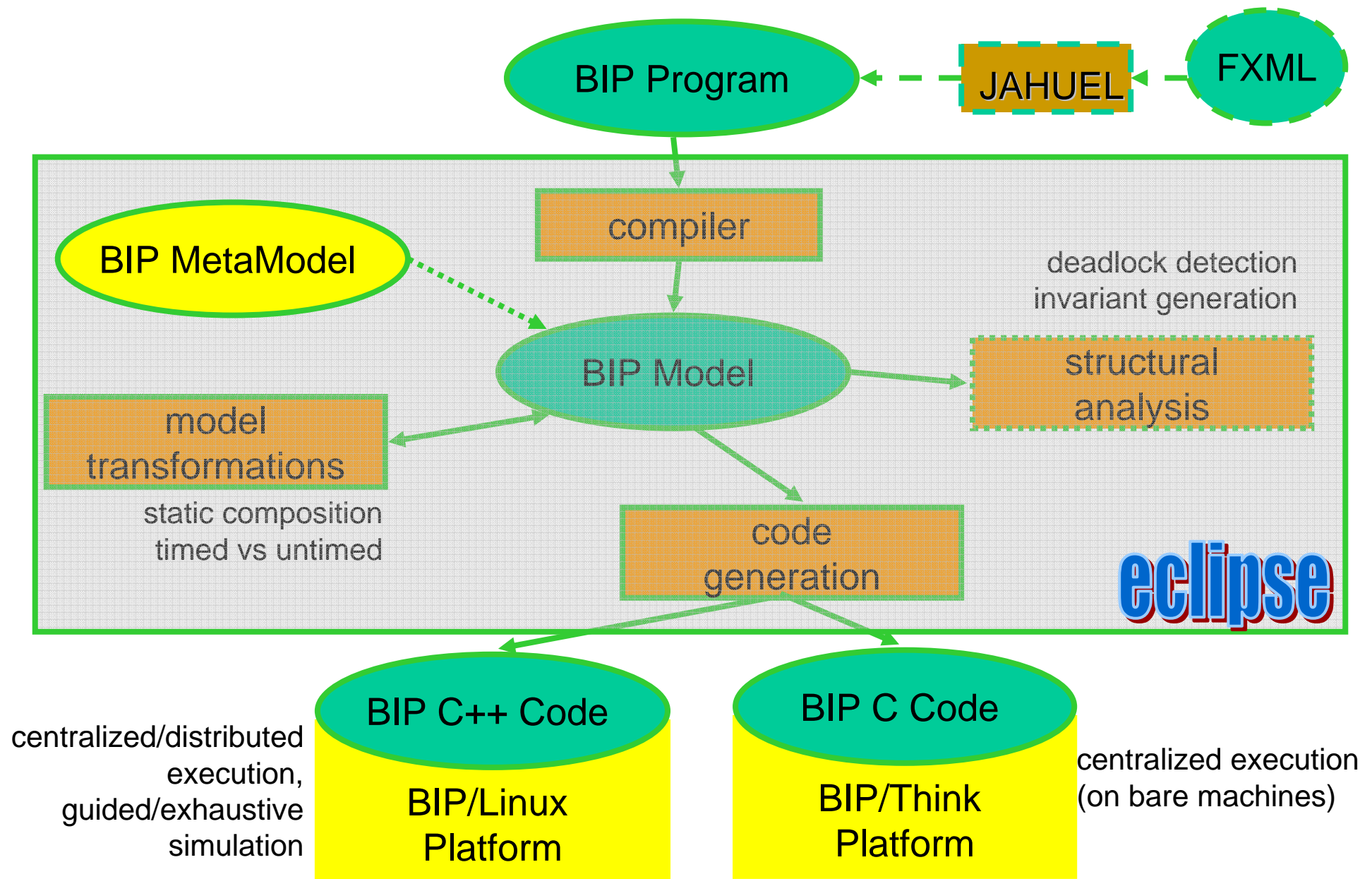
The BIP Framework: Model Construction Space – Property Preservation



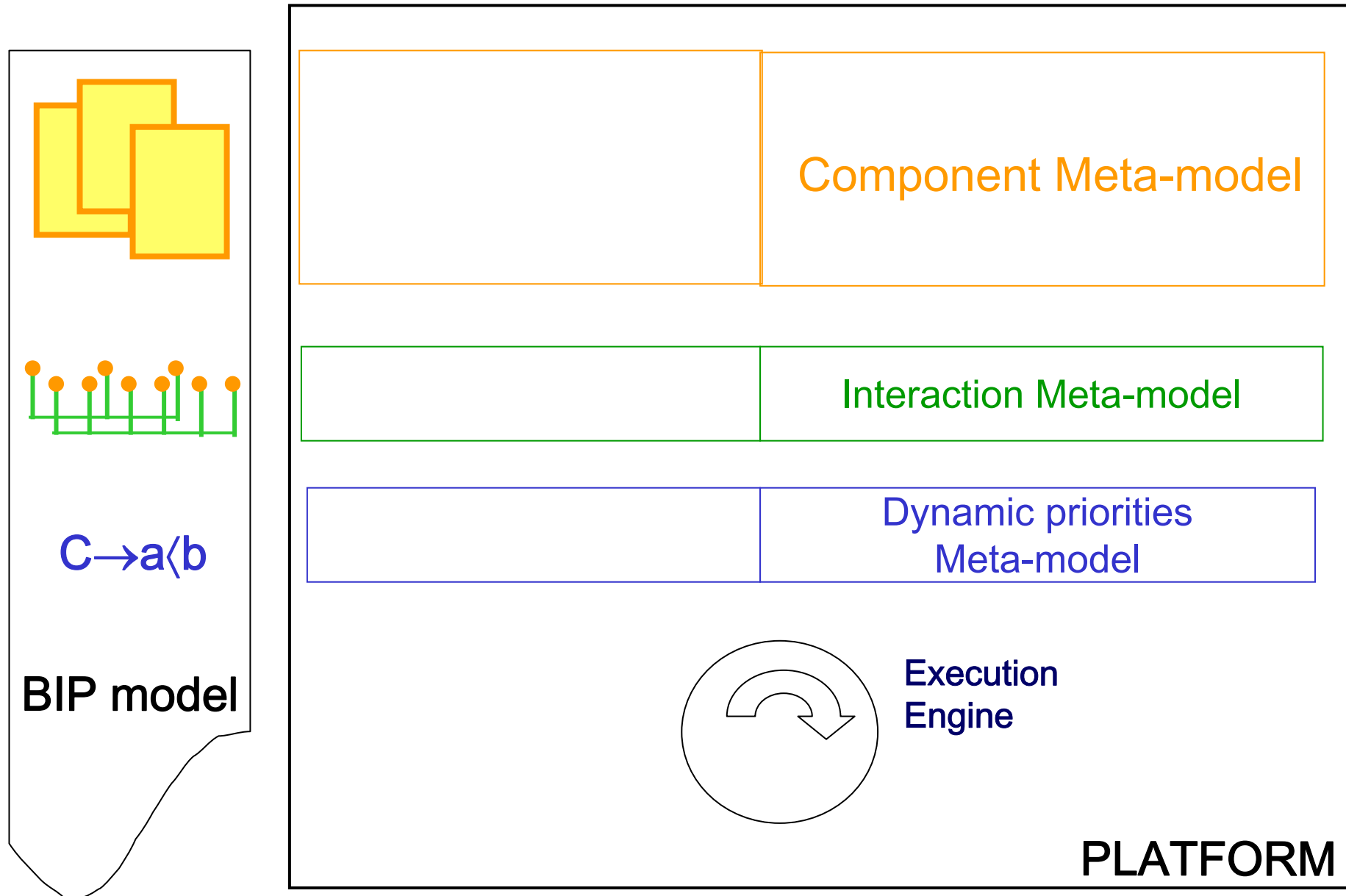
The BIP Framework: Model Construction Space– Classes of Components



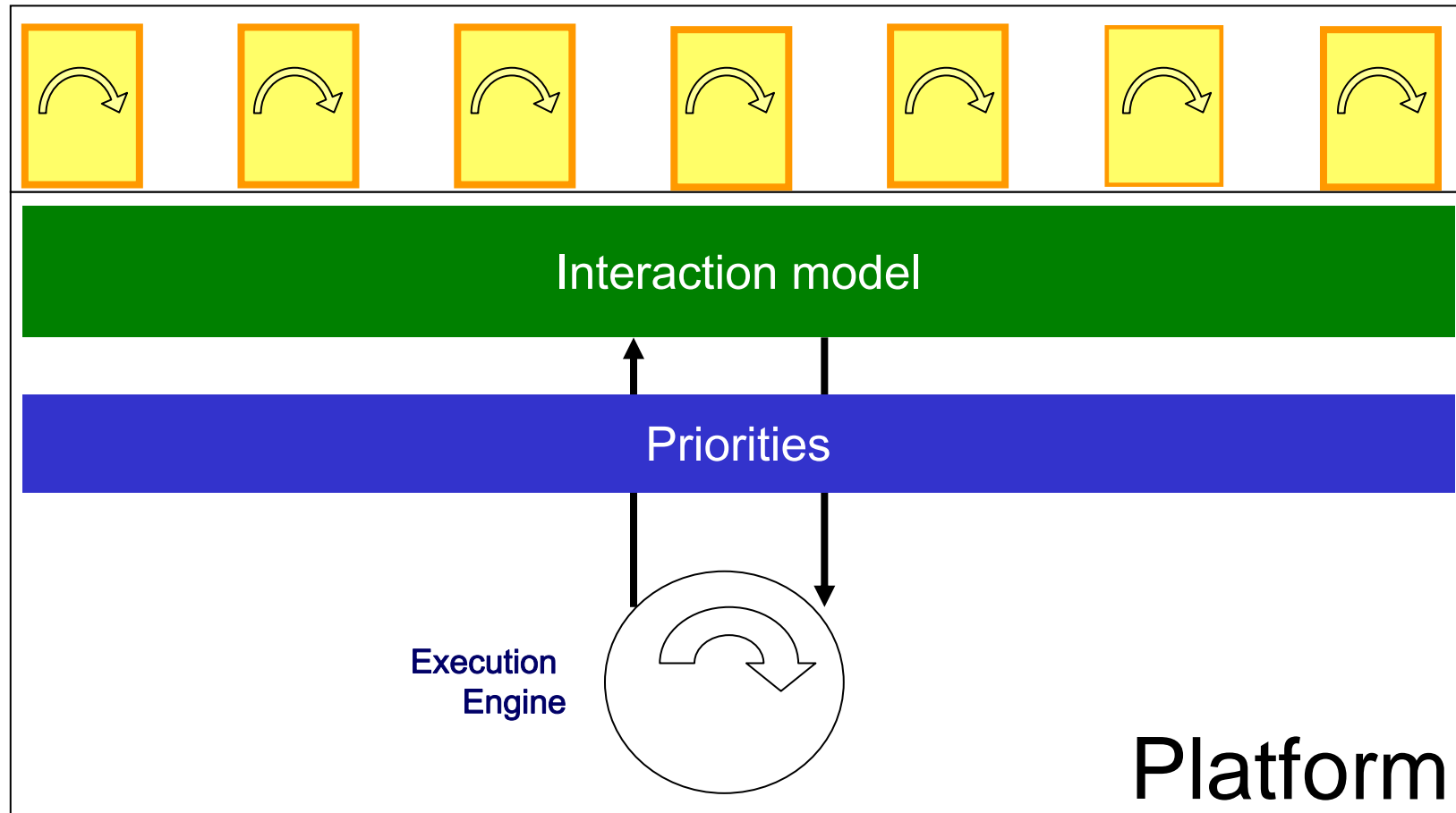
The BIP Framework: Implementation



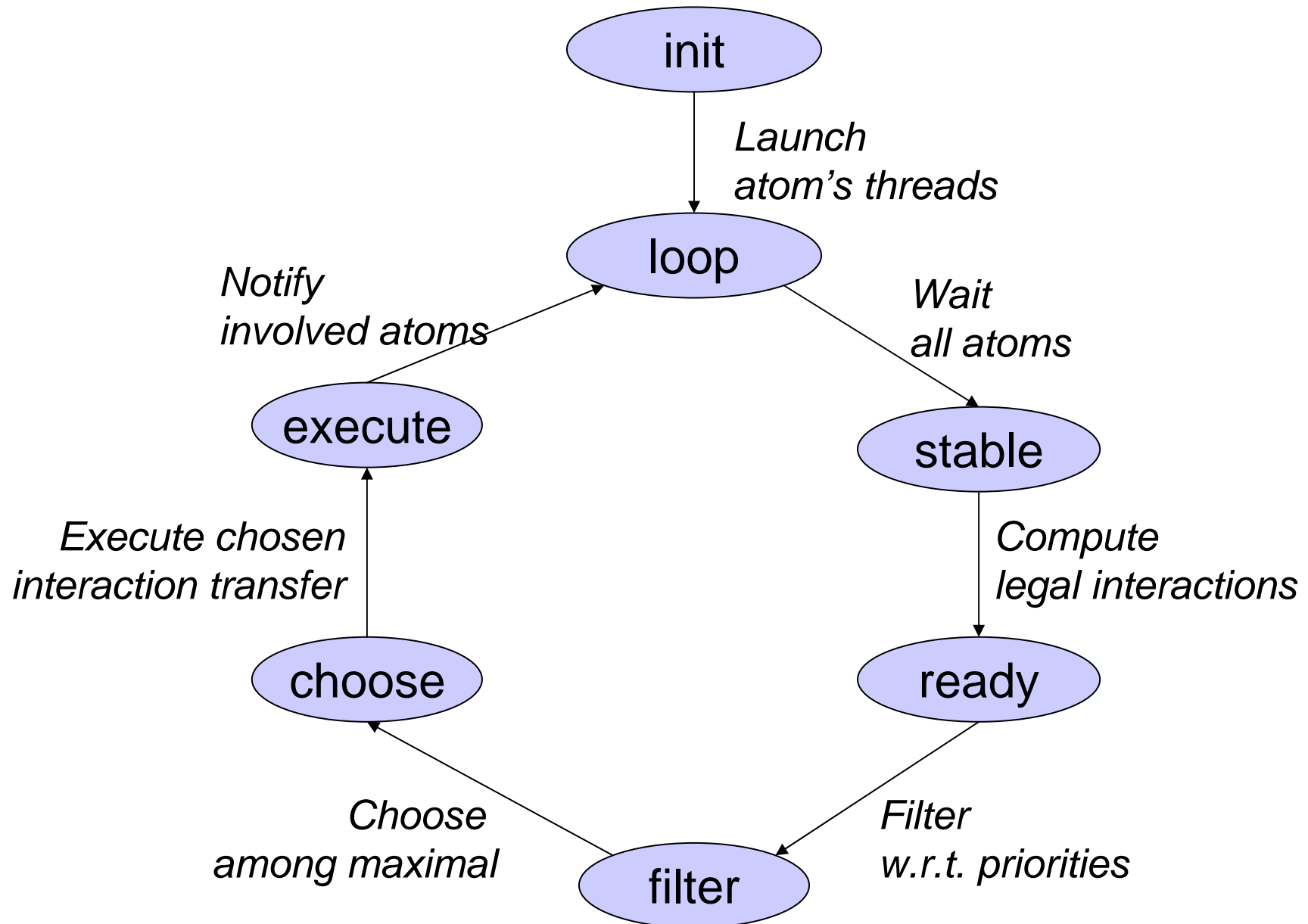
The BIP Framework: Implementation - generation of C++ code



The BIP Framework: Implementation - The Execution Platform



The BIP Framework: Implementation – The BIP Execution Engine



The BIP Framework: The Language – Atomic Components

```
component C  
port complete: p1, ... ; incomplete: p2, ...  
data {# int x, float y, bool z, .... #}  
init {# z=false; #}  
behavior  
  state s1  
    on p1 provided g1 do f1 to s1'  
    .....  
    on pn provided gn do fn to sn'  
  
  state s2  
    on .....  
    ....  
  
  state sn  
    on .....  
  
end  
end
```

The BIP Framework: The Language – Atomic Components

```
component CallingUnit(int px, int py)
```

```
complete port request // request port
port release // release port
port tick // time synchronization port
```

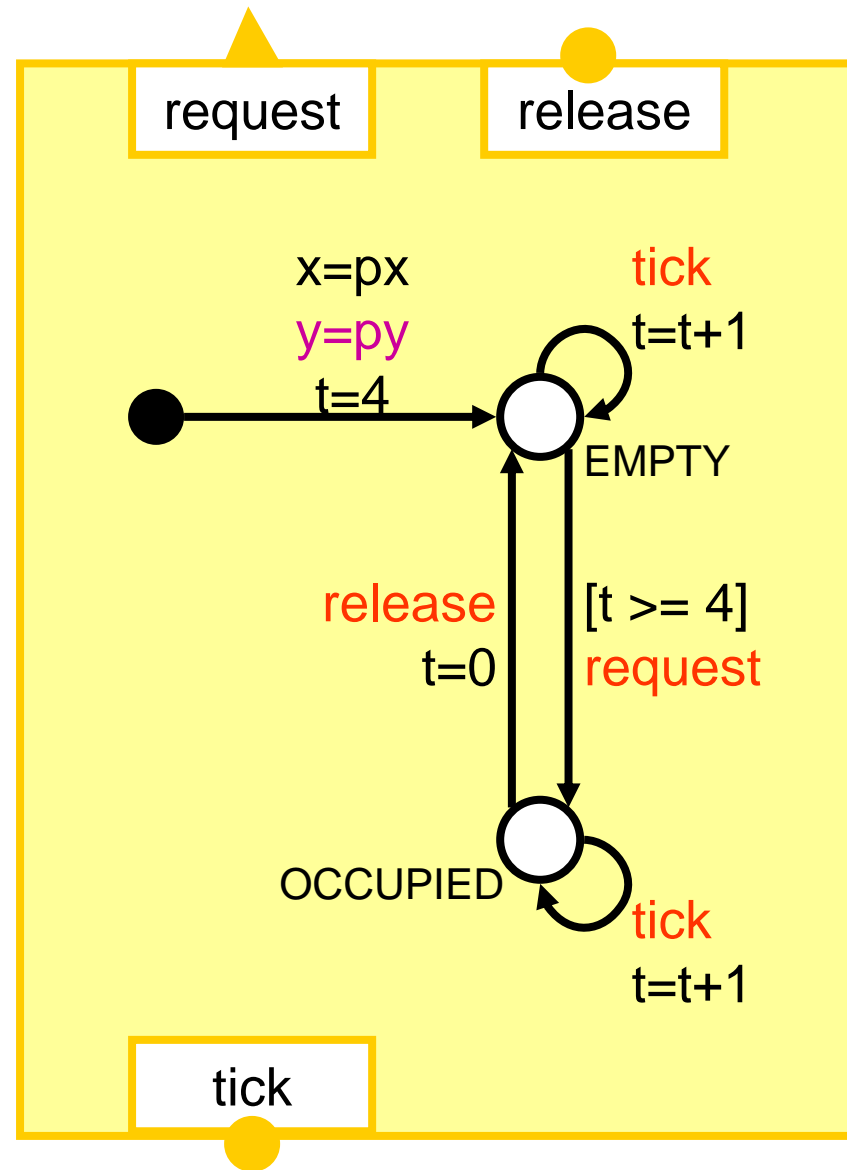
```
data int x // x coordinate of the calling unit
data int y // y coordinate of the calling unit
data int t // local clock
```

```
behavior
```

```
initial do x = px; {# y = py; #} t = 4 to EMPTY
state EMPTY // empty state
on request provided t >= 4 to OCCUPIED
on tick do t := t + 1 to EMPTY
state OCCUPIED // occupied state
on release do t := 0 to EMPTY
on tick to OCCUPIED
```

```
end
```

```
end
```



The BIP Framework: The Language – Connectors and Priorities

```
connector BUS= {p, p', ... , }  
complete()  
  behavior  
    on  $\alpha_1$  provided  $g_{\alpha_1}$  do  $f_{\alpha_1}$   
    on  $\alpha_2$  provided  $g_{\alpha_2}$  do  $f_{\alpha_2}$   
end
```

```
priority PR  
  if C1 ( $\alpha_1 < \alpha_2$ ), ( $\alpha_3 < \alpha_4$ ) , ...  
  if C2 ( $\alpha < \dots$ ), ( $\alpha < \dots$ ) , ...  
  ...  
  if Cn ( $\alpha < \dots$ ), ( $\alpha < \dots$ ) , ...
```


The BIP Framework: The Language – Connectors and Priorities

connector Bus = A.s, B1.r, B2.r

behavior

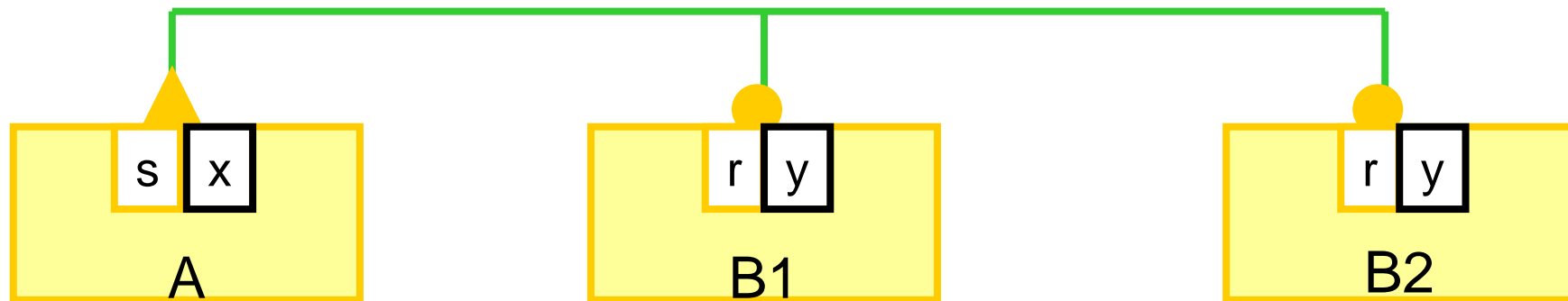
on A.s provided true do A.x = A.x + 1

on A.s, B1.r provided A.x < B1.y do B1.y = A.x

on A.s, B2.r provided A.x > B2.y do B2.y = A.x

on A.s, B1.r, B2.r provided true do A.x = (B1.y + B2.y) / 2

end



priority mutex

if (C1.t > C2.t) C1.begin < C2.begin

if (C1.t <= C2.t) C2.begin < C1.begin

end

The BIP Framework: The Language – Compound Components

component name

contains c_name1 i_name1(par_list)

.....

contains c_namen i_namen(par_list)

connector name1

.....

connector namem

priority name1

.....

priority namek

end

The BIP Framework: The Language – Compound Components

```
component Utopar
```

```
contains CallingUnit c11(1,1)  
contains CallingUnit c12(1,2)  
contains CallingUnit c21(2,1)  
contains CallingUnit c22(2,2)
```

```
contains CentralStation s
```

```
connector request = c11.request,  
c12.request, c21.request,  
c22.request, s.request
```

```
...
```

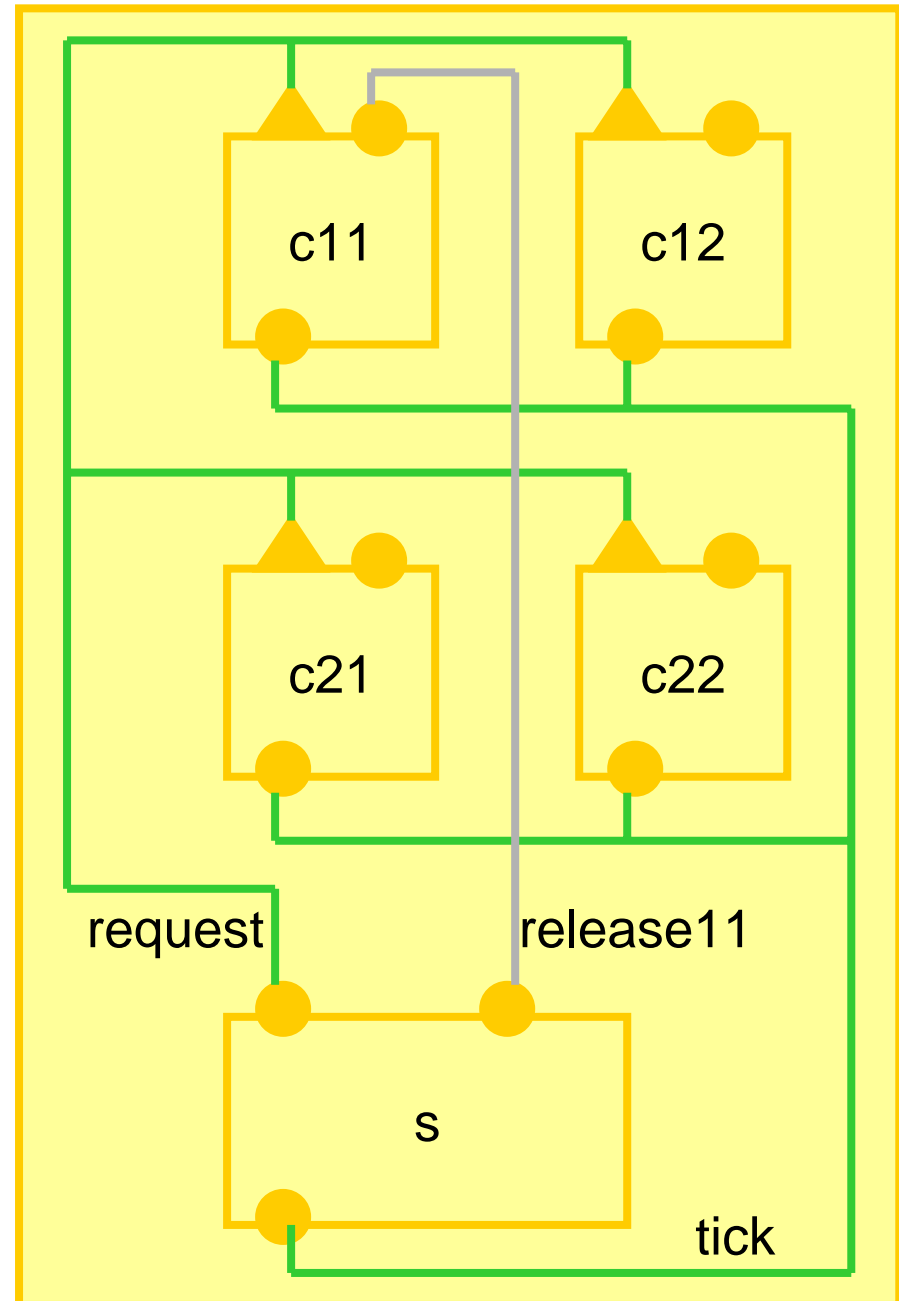
```
connector release11 = c11.release,  
s.release
```

```
...
```

```
connector tick = c11.tick, c12.tick,  
c21.tick, c22.tick, s.tick
```

```
...
```

```
end
```

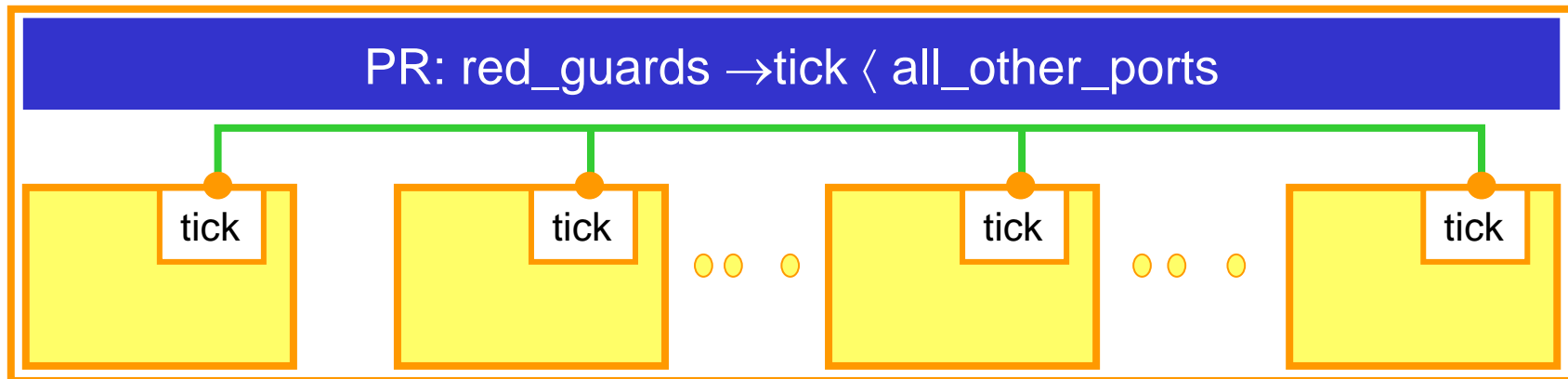
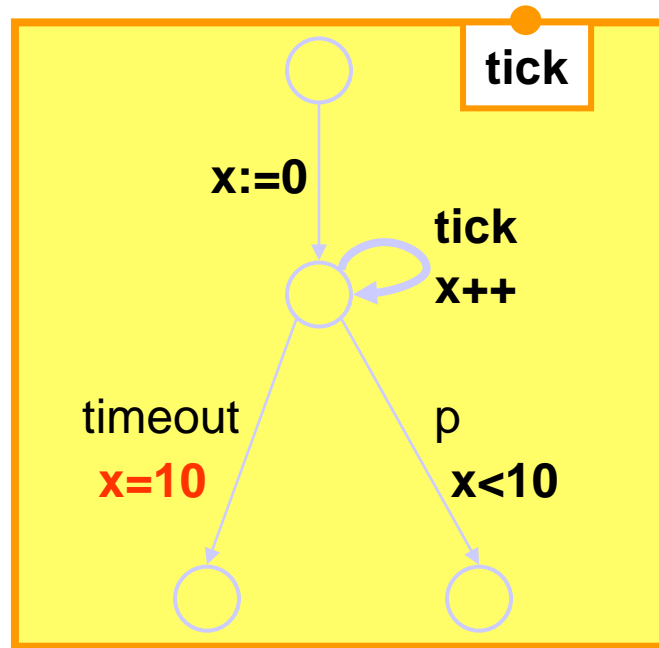


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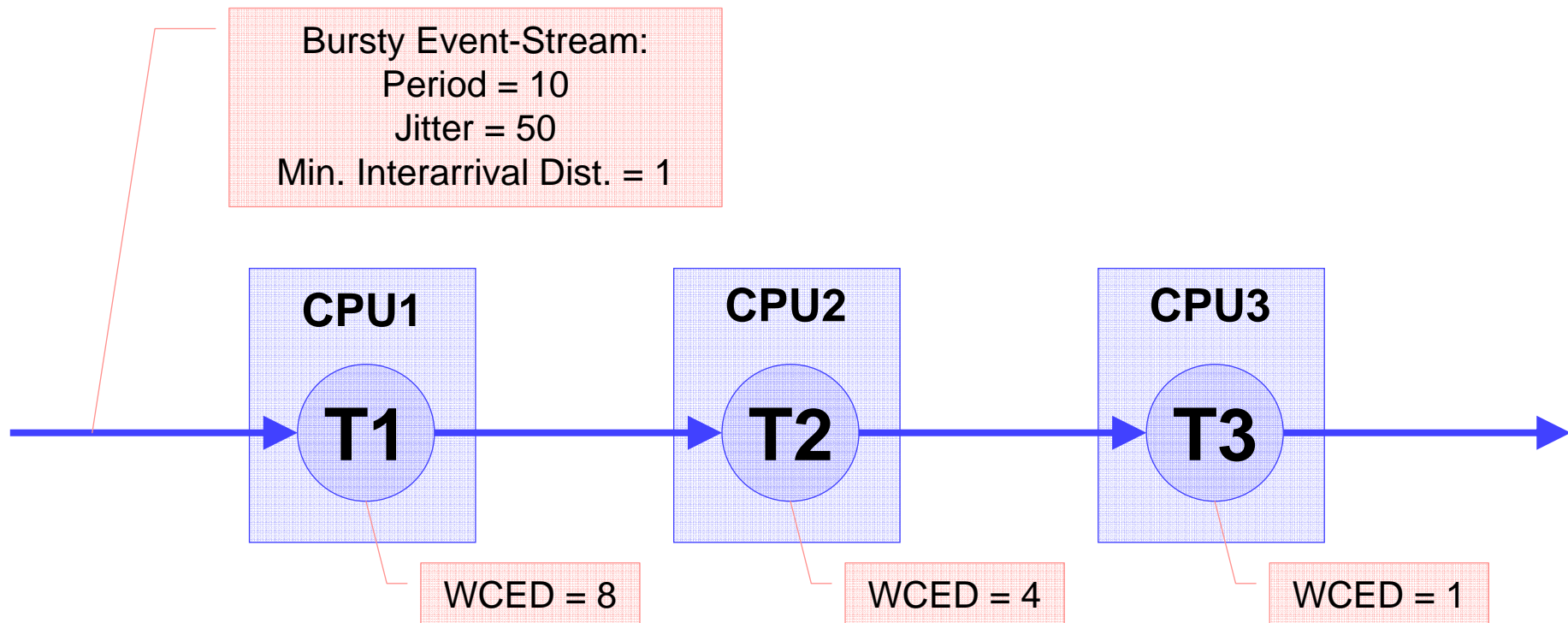
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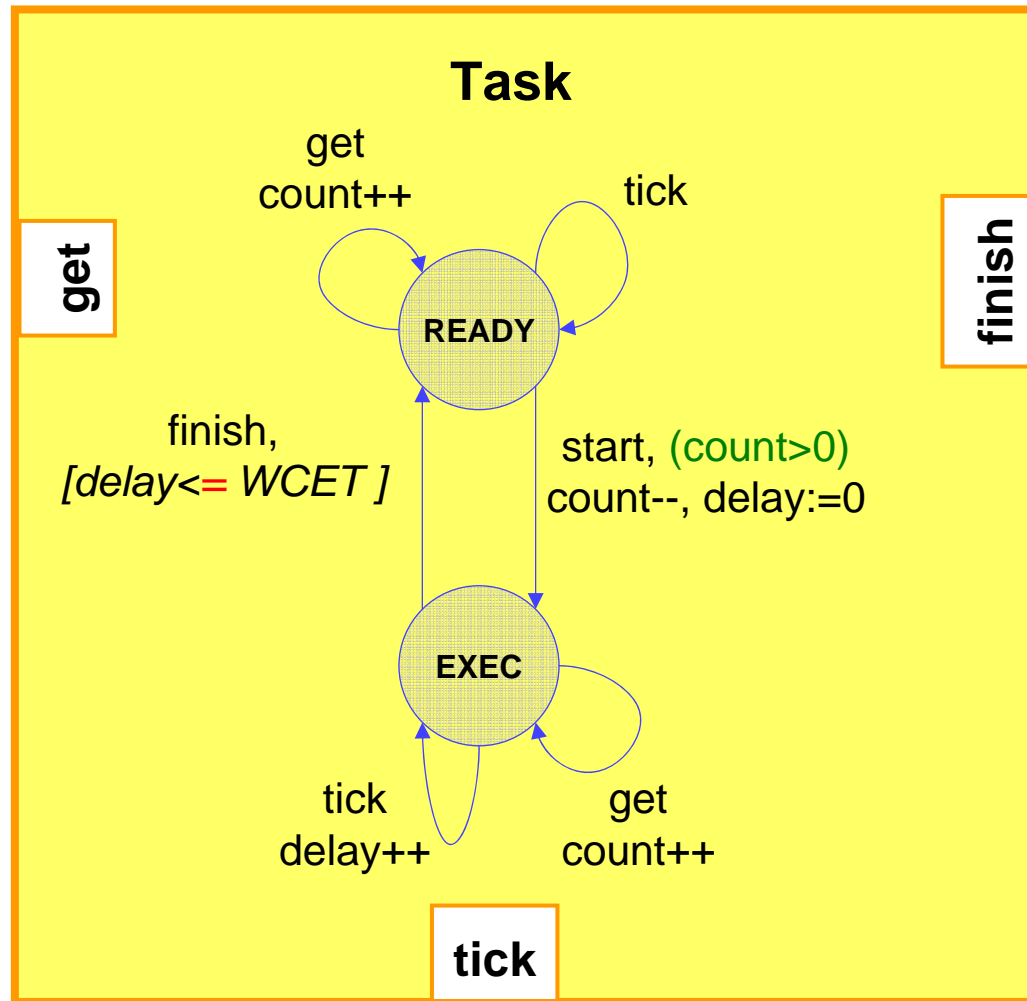
Timed Components – Timed vs. Untimed



Timed components - Problem 1



Timed components: Problem 1- Task

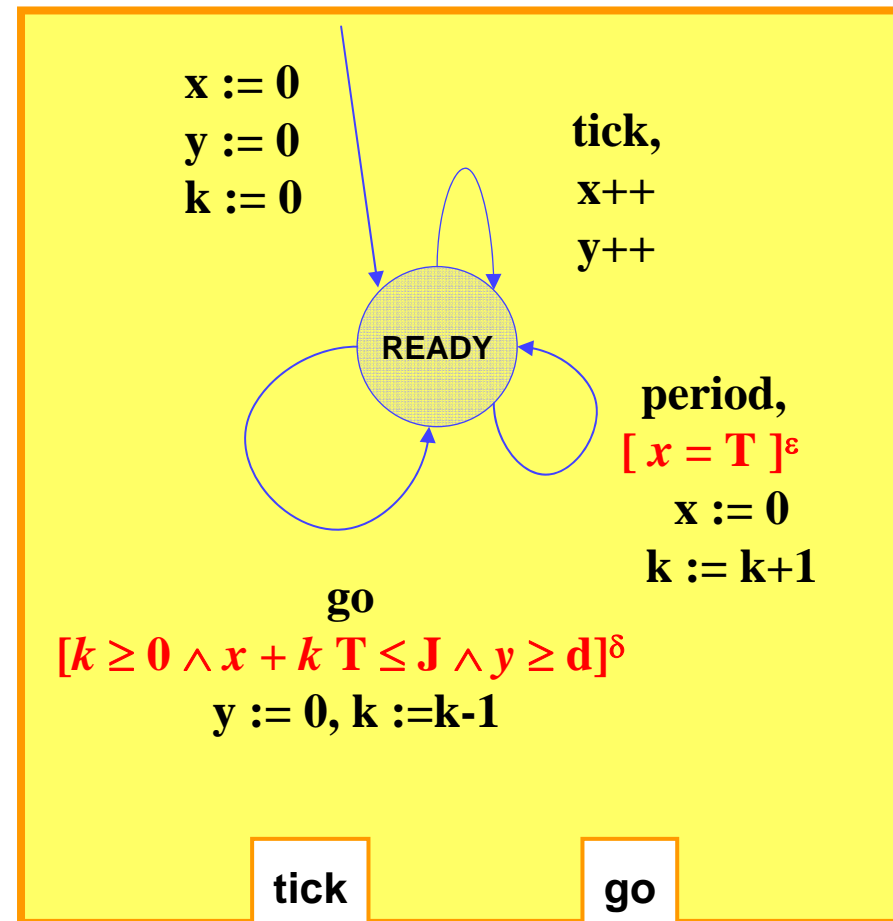
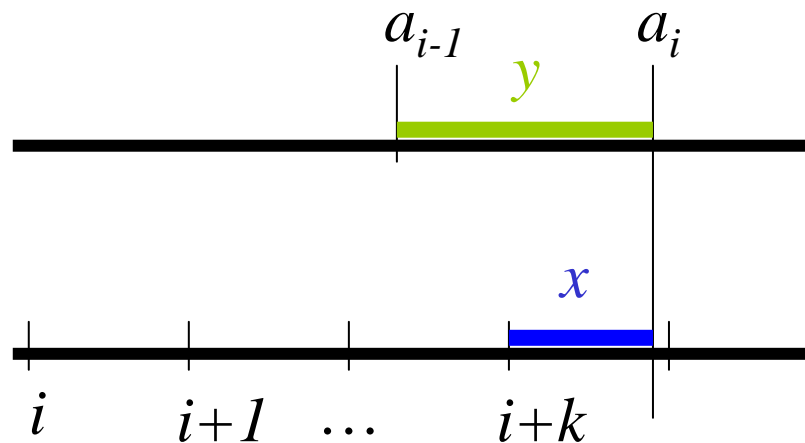


Timed components: Problem 1 - BIP code snippet for Task

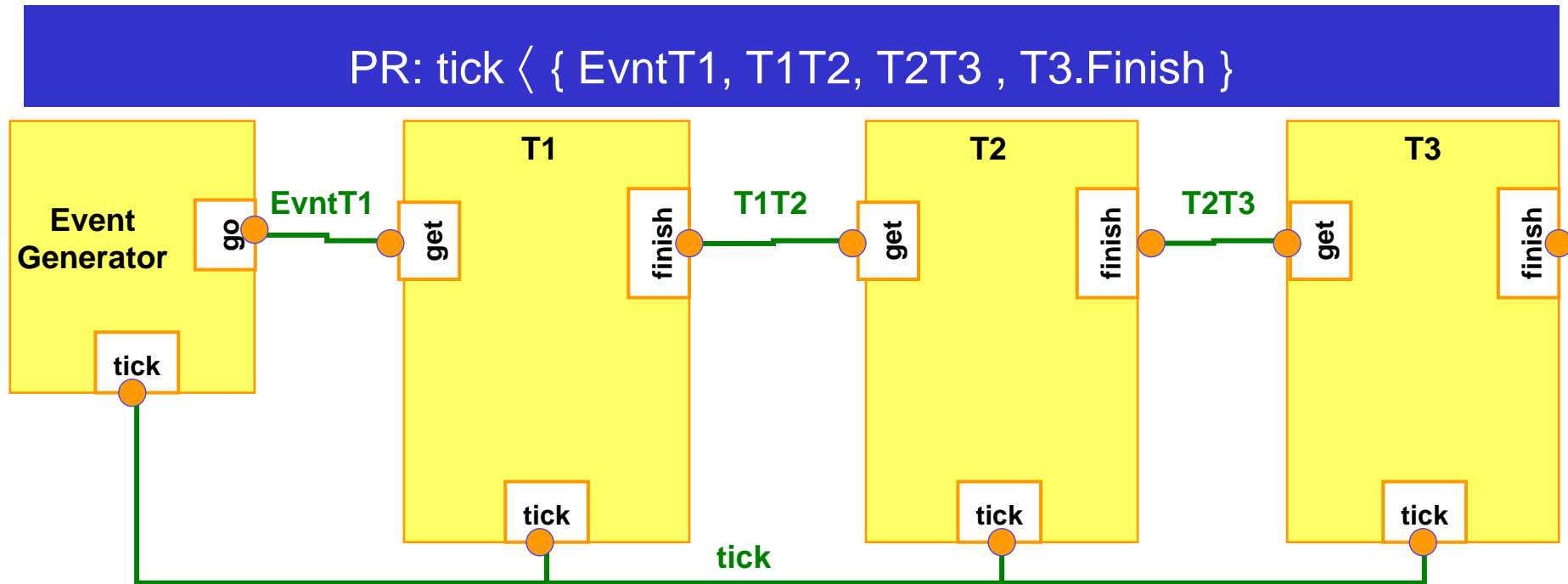
```
component Task (int wcet)
  port get, start, tick, finish
  data {# int count, delay; #}
  ...
  init {# count = 0;
        WCET = wcet;
        ...
        #}
  behavior
    state READY
      on get do {# count++; #} to READY
      on start provided {# count > 0 #} do {# count--; delay = 0; #} to EXEC
      on tick to READY
    state EXEC
      on get do {# count++; #} to EXEC
      on finish when ({# delay <= WCET #}, delayable) to READY
      on tick do {# delay++; #} to EXEC
  end
  ...
end
```


Timed components: Problem 1- Bursty Event Stream Generator

Bursty Event-Stream for
 Period = T
 Jitter = J
 Min. Interarrival Dist. = d



Timed components: Problem 1 – Architecture

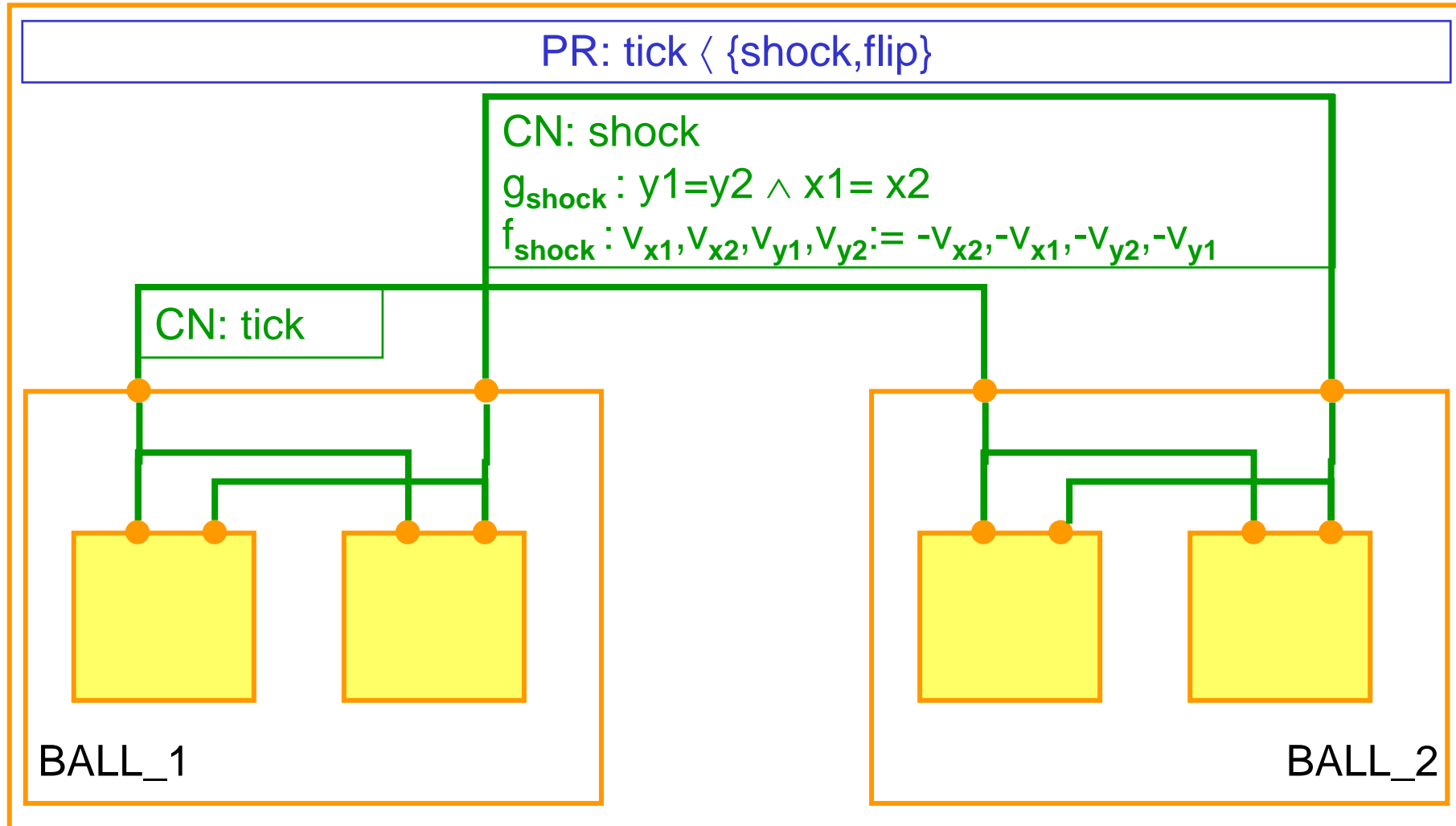


Timed components: Problem 1- BIP code snippet for Architecture

```
component System
  contains Launcher eventGenerator(10, 5, 1)
  contains Task T1(8), T2(4), T3(1)

  connector Tick = eventGenerator.tick, T1.tick, T2.tick, T3.tick
  behavior
  end
  connector EvntT1 = eventGenerator.go, T1.get
  behavior
  end
  ...
  priority // start < get ( no event losses )
    getStart1 T1.Start : T1.start < EvntT1 : T1.get
  ...
  priority // finish < get ( no event losses )
    getFin1 T1T2 : T1.finish < EvntT1 : T1.get
  ...
  priority // tick < get_i ( => tick < finish_i-1 )
    getTick2 if (T1.delay == T1.WCET) Tick : T2.tick < T1T2 : T2.get
  ...
```

Timed components: Billiards - the Model



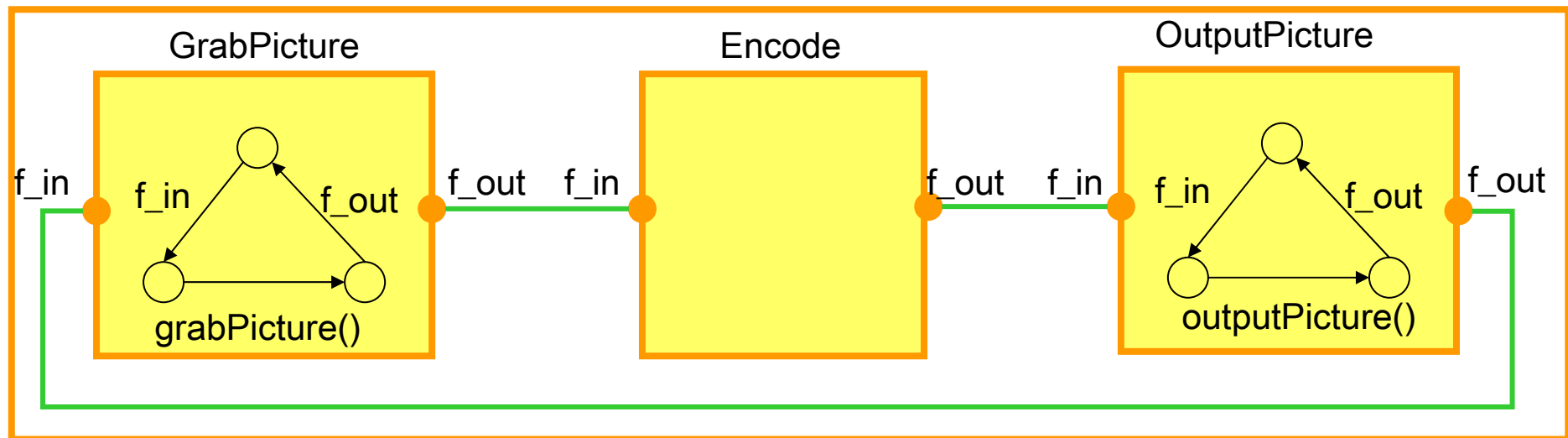
MPEG4 Video Encoder

Transform a monolithic program into a componentized one

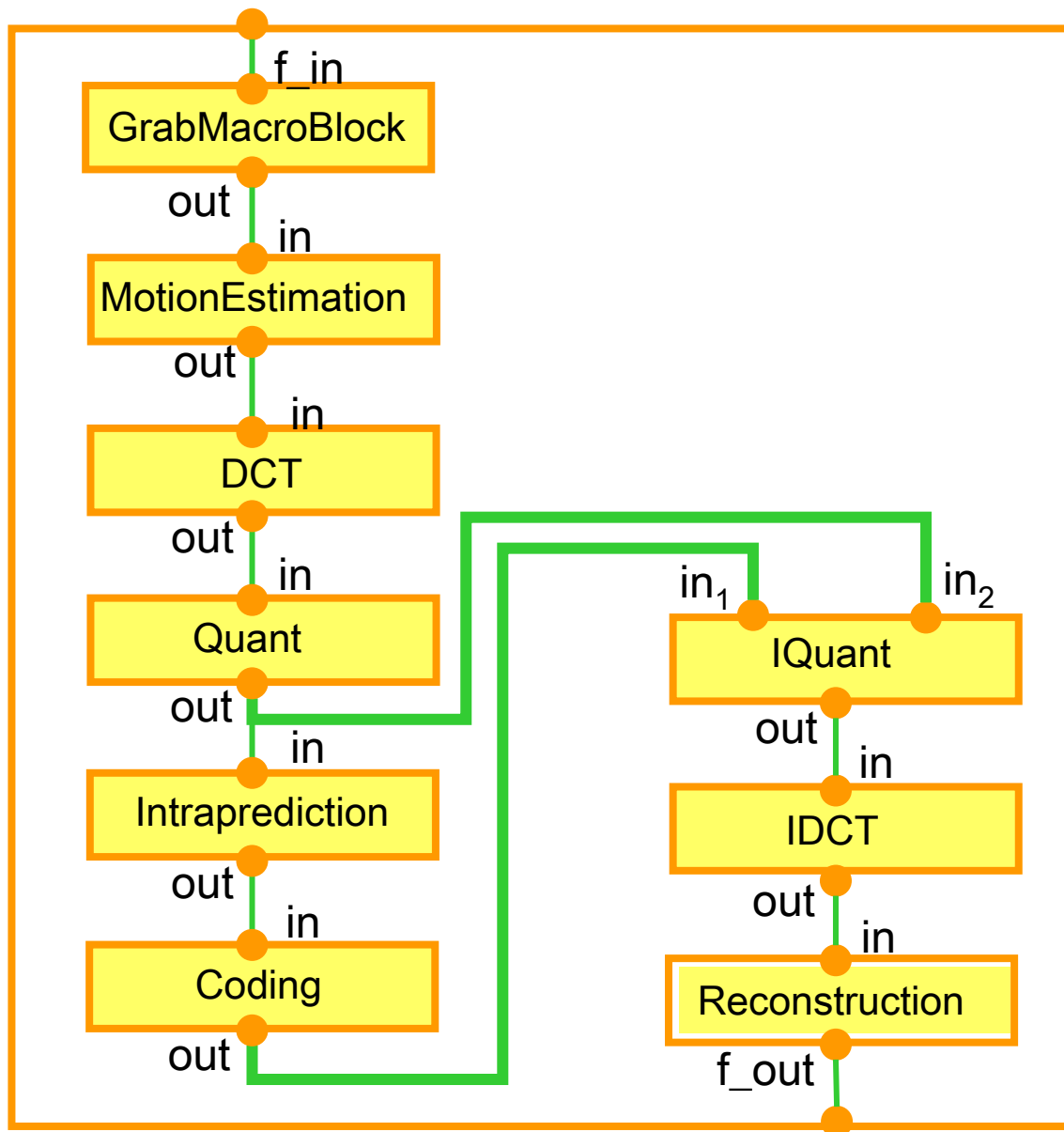
- ++ reconfigurability, schedulability
- overheads (memory, execution time)

Video encoder characteristics:

- 12000 lines of C code
- Encodes one frame at a time:
 - grabPicture() : gets a frame
 - outputPicture() : produces an encoded frame



MPEG4 Video Encoder: Architecture

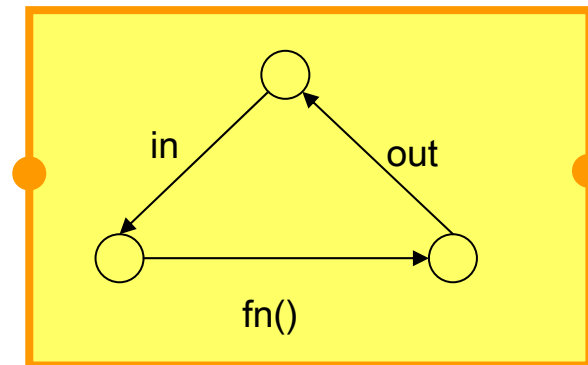
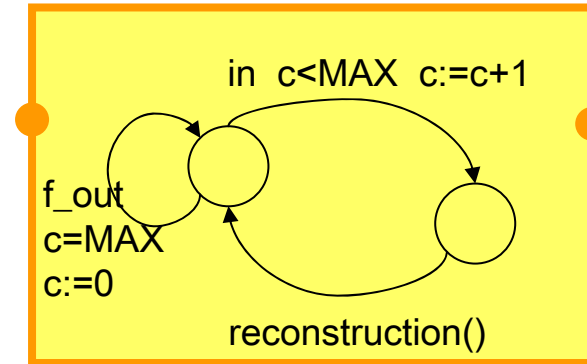
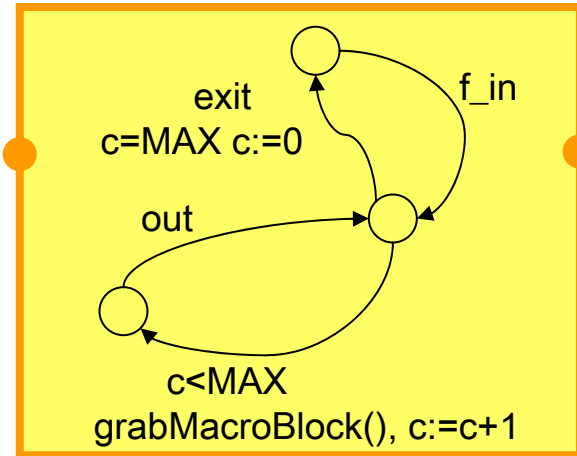


GrabMacroBlock:
splits a frame in
 $(W*H)/256$ macro
blocks, outputs one
at a time

Reconstruction:
regenerates the
encoded frame from
the encoded macro
blocks.

— : buffered
connections

MPEG4 Video Encoder: Atomic Components



$MAX=(W*H)/256$
 W=width of frame
 H=height of frame

MPEG4 Video Encoder: Features

- BIP code describes a control skeleton for the encoder
 - Consists of 20 atomic components and 34 connectors
 - ~ 500 lines of BIP code
 - Functional components call routines from the encoder library
- The generated C++ code from BIP is ~ 2,000 lines
- The size of the BIP binary is 288 Kb compared to 172 Kb of monolithic binary.

MPEG4 Video Encoder: BIP Componentization Overhead

Overhead in execution time wrt monolithic code:

- ~66% due to communication (can be reduced by composing components at compile time)
 - function calls by atomic components to the execution engine for synchronization.
- ~34% due to resolution of non determinism (can be reduced by narrowing the search space at compile time)
 - time spent by engine to evaluate feasible interactions

Problem: Reduce execution time overhead
for componentized code

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Discussion: The BIP Framework - Summary

Framework for component-based modeling encompassing heterogeneity and relying on a **minimal set of constructs and principles**

Clear separation between behavior and architecture

- Architecture = interaction + priority
- Correctness-by-construction techniques for deadlock-freedom and liveness, based on sufficient conditions on architecture

Other applications at Verimag

- IF toolset allows layered description of timed systems
- Methodology and tool support for generating scheduled code for real-time applications (work by S. Yovine et al.)

Discussion: The BIP Framework – Towards a Taxonomy of Systems

A component is defined as a point in the space:

Behavior × Interaction × Priority

Classes of components can be obtained by application of simple transformations

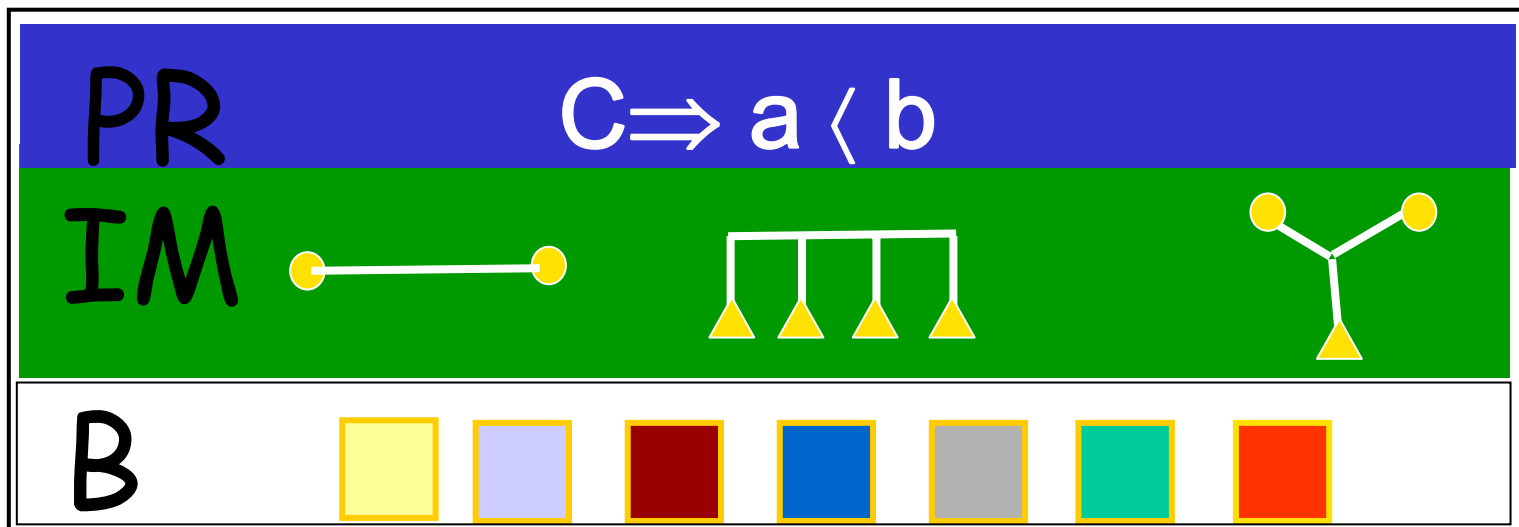
- Behavior: Coupling/Decoupling interaction and computation
- Interaction models : synchronous execution
- Priorities : adding/removing priority rules

Basis for property preservation results and correctness by construction

Discussion: The BIP Framework – Expressiveness

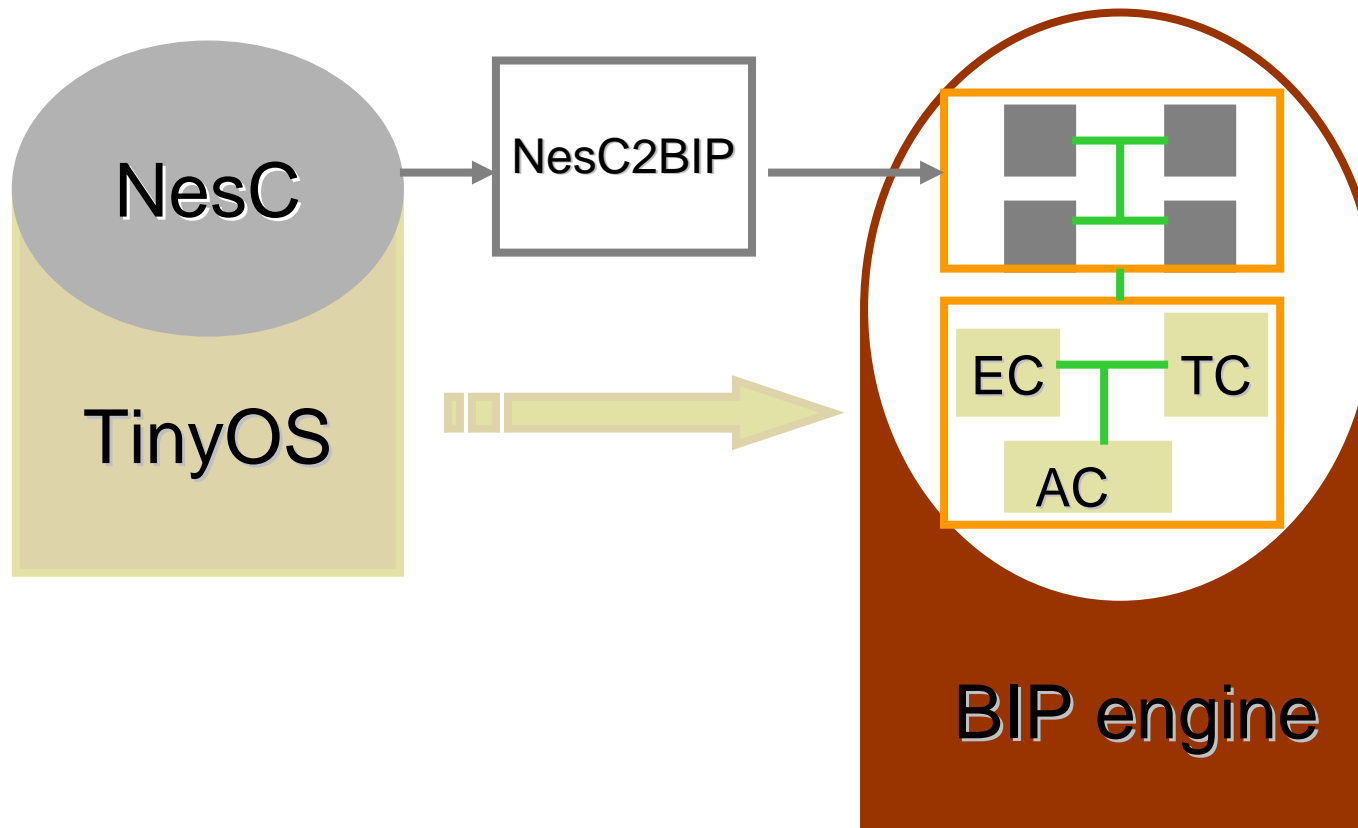
Study new notions of expressiveness where architecture is a first class entity. Existing notions consider glue operators as behavior transformers through operational semantics.

Problem: For given B , IM and PR which coordination problems can be solved?

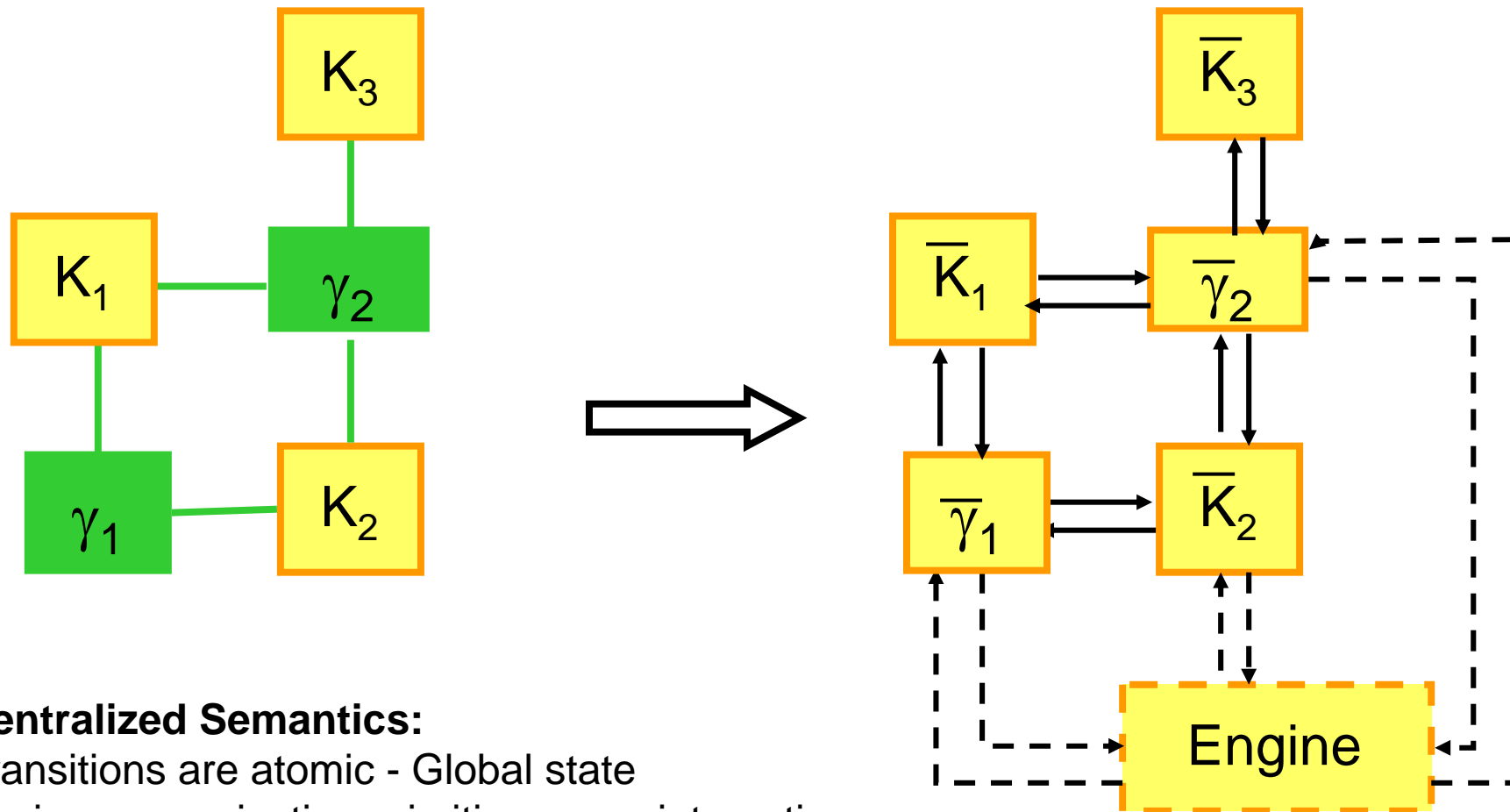


Discussion: The BIP Framework – Unification

How?



Discussion: The BIP Framework - Distribution



Centralized Semantics:

Transitions are atomic - Global state

Basic communication primitive: n-ary interaction

Distributed Semantics:

Transitions are non atomic - Partial state

Basic primitive: send/receive

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