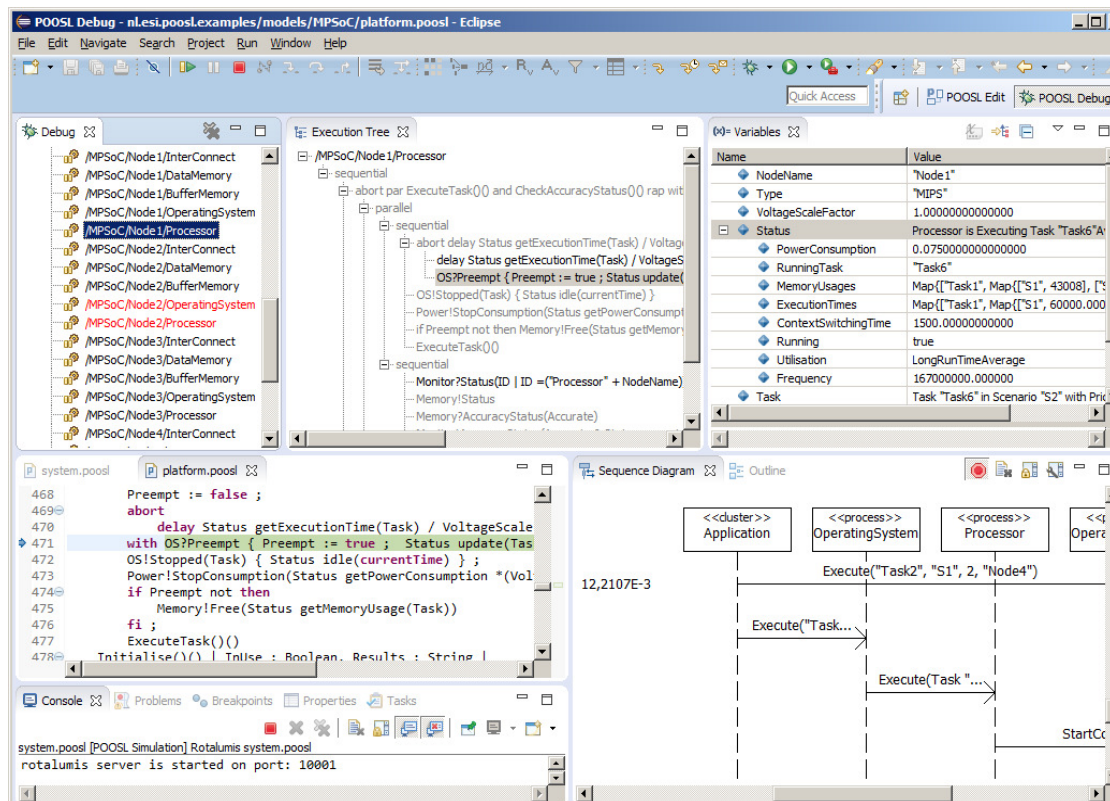


# POOSL workshop



The screenshot displays the POOSL Debug Eclipse IDE interface. The top menu bar includes File, Edit, Navigate, Search, Project, Run, Window, and Help. The main workspace is divided into several panels:

- Debug Console:** Shows the execution tree for the project `/MPSoc/Node1/Processor`. It details a sequential execution flow with parallel blocks, including task execution and status updates.
- Variables:** A table listing variables and their values:

Name	Value
NodeName	"Node1"
Type	"MIPS"
VoltageScaleFactor	1.0000000000000000
Status	Processor is Executing Task "Task6"
PowerConsumption	0.07500000000000000
RunningTask	"Task6"
MemoryUsage	Map(["Task1", Map(["S1", 43008], ["S2", 10000000000000000])])
ExecutionTimes	Map(["Task1", Map(["S1", 60000.00000000000, "S2", 10000000000000000])])
ContextSwitchingTime	1500.0000000000000
Running	true
Utilisation	LongRunTimeAverage
Frequency	167000000.0000000
Task	Task "Task6" in Scenario "S2" with Pri...
- Sequence Diagram:** A UML sequence diagram showing interactions between components: `<<cluster>> Application`, `<<process>> OperatingSystem`, `<<process>> Processor`, and `<<process>> Operator`. Messages include `Execute("Task2", "S1", 2, "Node4")`, `Execute("Task...")`, and `Execute(Task "...")`. A `StartCo` message is also visible.
- Code Editor:** Displays the source code for `platform.pool`, showing a loop that updates task status and power consumption. The code includes comments and conditional logic for task execution and memory management.
- Console:** Shows the output of the simulation, including the message: `system.pool [POOSL Simulation] Rotalumis system.pool` and `rotalumis server is started on port: 10001`.

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## **POOSL - Parallel Object-Oriented Specification Language**

Language for light-weight modeling and analysis of systems, including both software and digital hardware

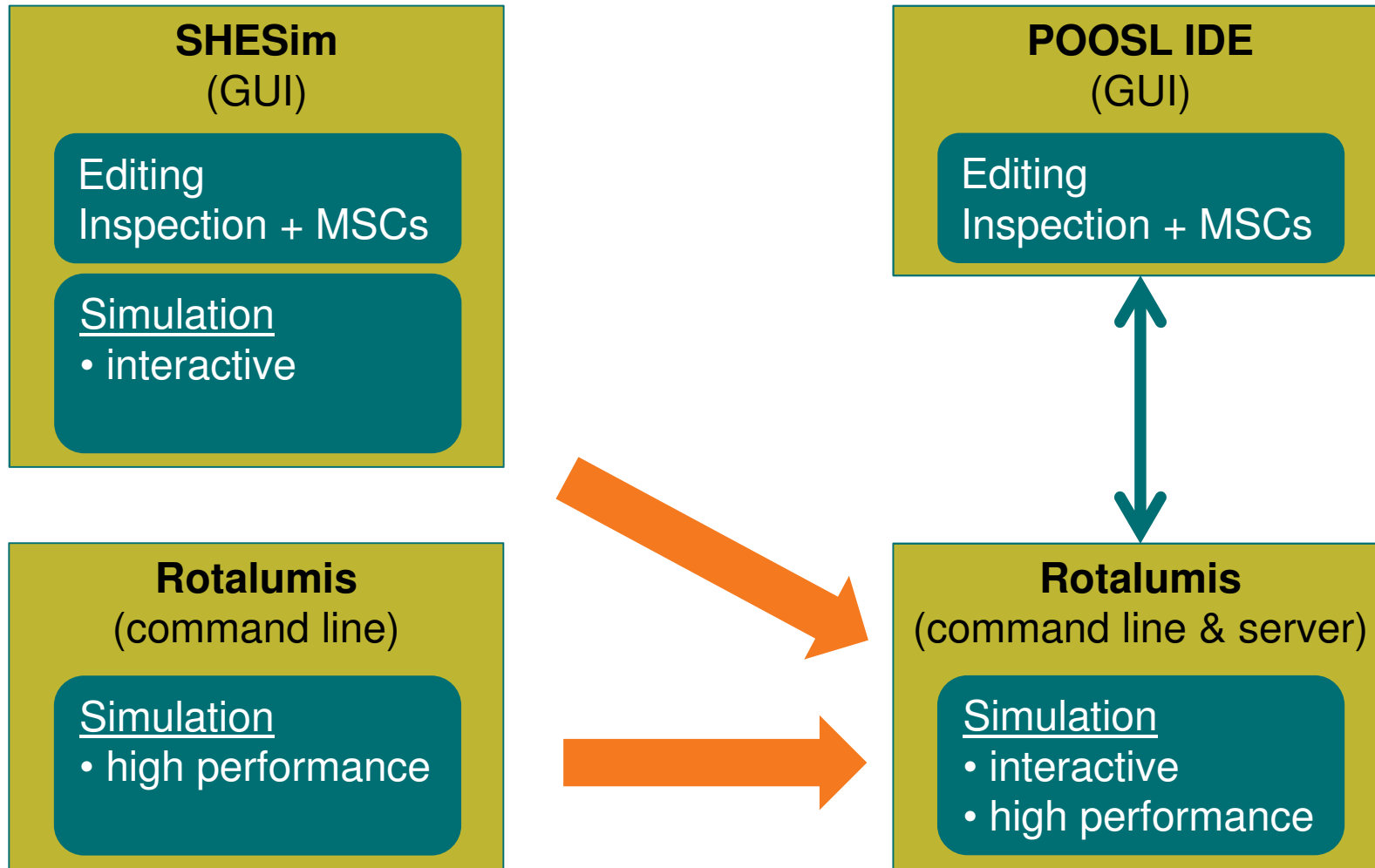
- Developed at Eindhoven Univ. of Tech., Electrical Engineering
- Stable since 2002

Object-oriented modeling language with

- Concurrent parallel processes
- Synchronization: message passing & shared memory
- Timing
- Hierarchical structure
- Object-oriented data structures
- Stochastic behaviour

Supported by simulation tools, e.g., for performance analysis

## POOSL tool landscape



## POOSL tool positioning

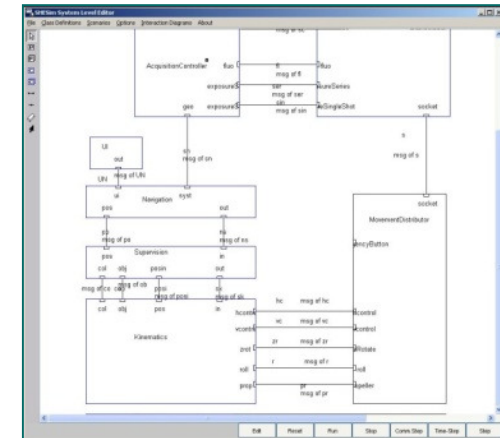
- General user experiences with **SHESim**:

- Positive

- Used in many industrial projects at TNO-ESI
- Expressive modeling language (POOSL)
- Interactive simulation

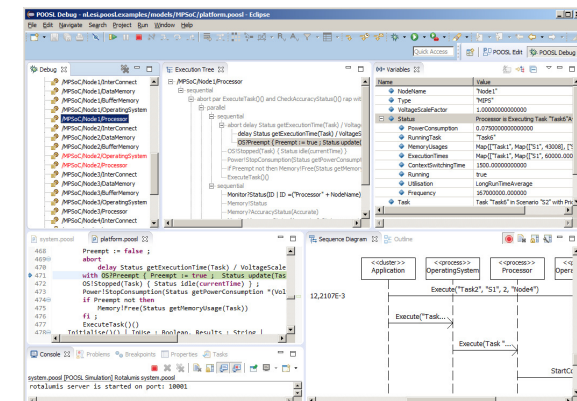
- Negative

- Usability aspects: Many windows, many mouse operations, inline errors, ...
- Early fault detection: Most faults are only detected during simulation



➤ Initial focus for the new **POOSL IDE**:

- Textual editing
- Early fault detection
- Eclipse-based environment



## Start new POOSL project

### Create **POOSL** project

- Click on File -> New -> Project... and select **POOSL project**
- Next; give name: “workshop.example”; Finish

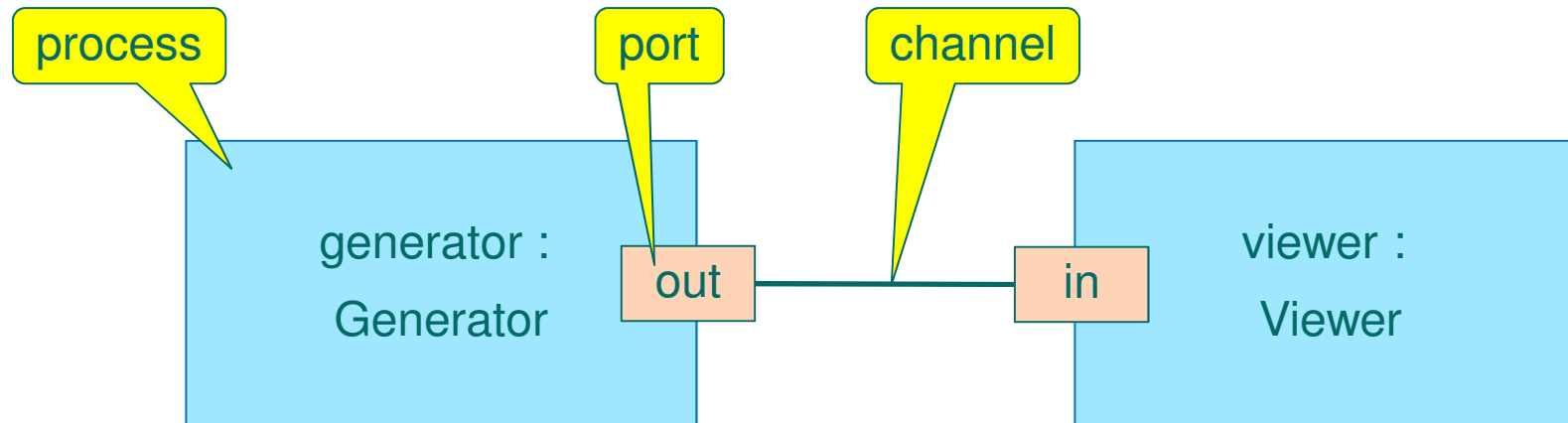
### Create POOSL model

- Right-click on directory “models”; select New -> POOSL Model
- Next; give name: “stream1a.poosl”; Finish

### Edit file: double-click on it (or drag to edit window)

- <CTRL>-<SPACE> content assist
- <CTRL>-<SHIFT>-<F> automatic formatting
- <CTRL>-S: save
- Comments: // and /\* .. \*/

## Stream example



**Synchronous** communication: send and receive statements are only executed if a matching statement is ready to execute

**Matching:** same message name and number of parameters

Examples of matching communication pairs (in & out are connected):

out ! hi ()	→	in ? hi ()
out ? talk (stringvar)	←	in ! talk ("hello")
out ! msg ("store", 1+2)	→	in ? msg (command, val)

**! : send**  
**? : receive**

## stream1a.poosl - Generator

- Use <CTRL>-<SPACE> and select process class
- Change the template to:

```
3 process class Generator()  
4 ports  
5  
6 messages  
7   out!message(Integer)  
8 variables  
9   number : Integer  
10 init  
11   initialize()  
12 methods  
13   initialize()  
14     number := 1 ;  
15     sendMessage()  
16     sendMessage()  
17     out!message(number) ;  
18     number := number + 1 ;  
19     sendMessage()
```

assignment

; means sequential composition

Note:

- Errors detected
- Click on the quick-fix of last one

## stream1a.poosl - Viewer

- Similarly create a Viewer process

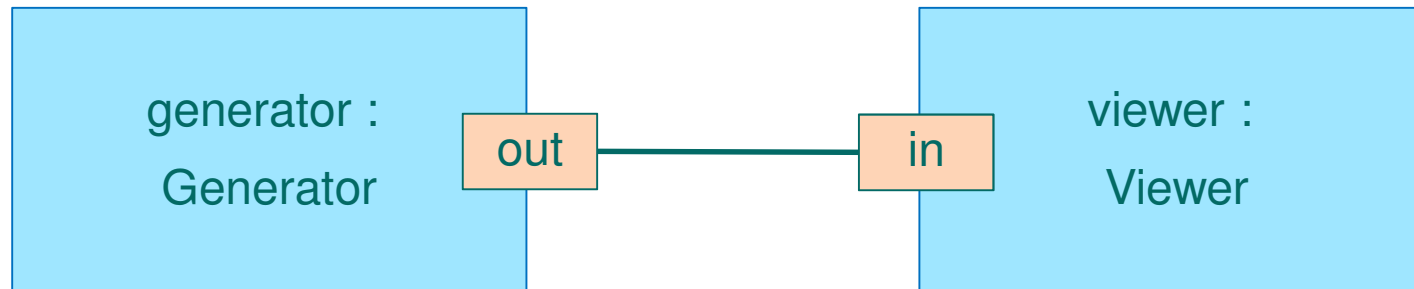
```
process class Viewer()  
ports  
    in  
messages  
    in ? message(Integer)  
variables  
  
init  
    receiveMessage()  
methods  
    receiveMessage() | counter : Integer |  
        in ? message(counter);  
        receiveMessage()
```

local variable

## stream1a.poosl - system

- Finally define the system – use content assist: **system class**

```
system  
instances  
    generator : Generator()  
    viewer    : Viewer()  
channels  
    { generator.out, viewer.in }
```



## Simulation

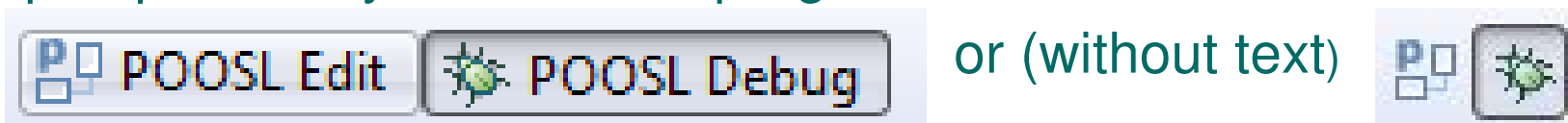
POOSL model can be simulated by

- right click on file name or in editor of file, select Run As > POOSL Simulation

For this model there is no visible output, so use debug mode:

- right click on file name or in editor of file, select Debug As -> POOSL Simulation

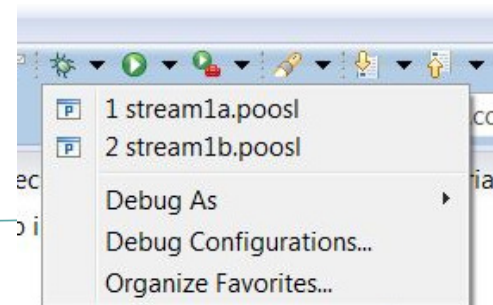
This opens Debug perspective; switch between edit and debug perspective by buttons in top-right corner:



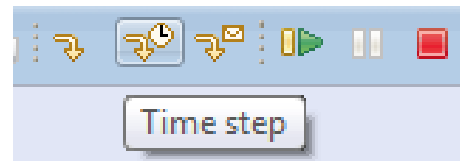
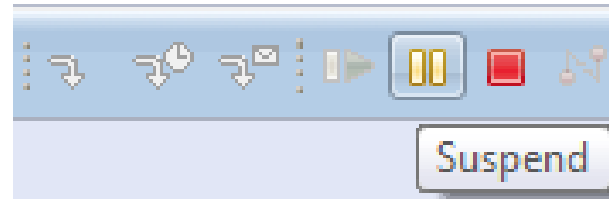
Note: models can also be edited in Debug perspective

(first stop simulation!) – start simulation in debug mode as above

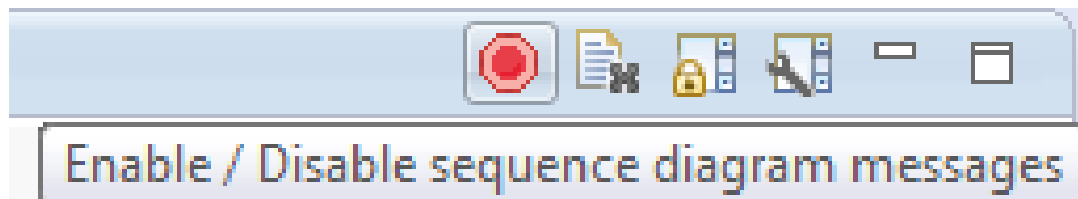
After the first simulation, it can be restarted using the drop down menu right of the “debug” button:



## Running and stepping



## Sequence diagrams



Press red button to record



Reordering of life lines: click and hold to drag the lifeline

## Hands on stream1a.poosl

- Create a new POOSL project
- Create and edit stream1a.poosl
- Simulate the model in debug mode
  - Try different ways of simulating steps
  - Observe the sequence diagram, try reordering of life lines
- Experiment in editor with errors and quick fixes

## Notion of time

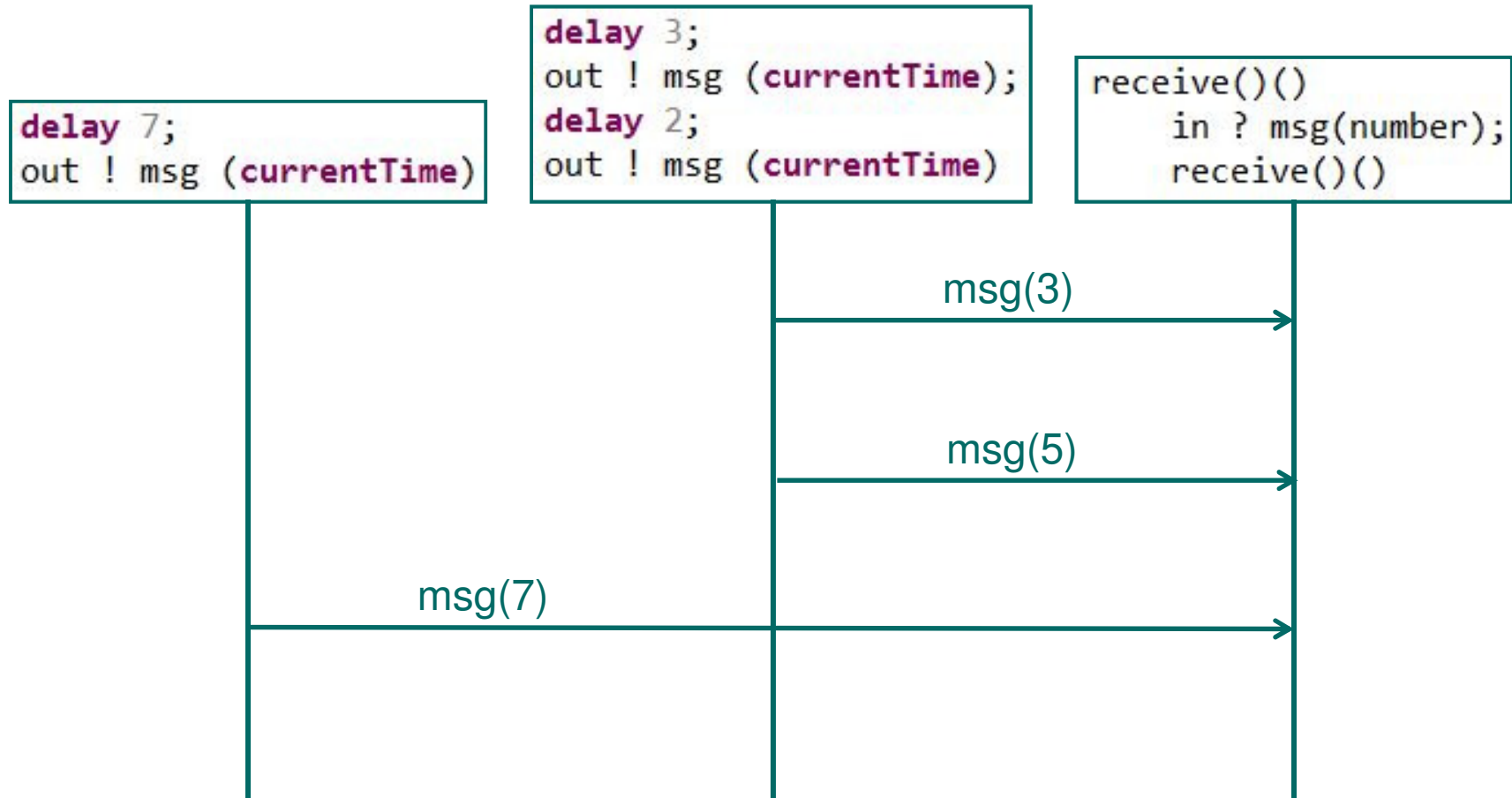
Time can be represented in POOSL by statement **delay d**

- It postpones the execution of the process by “d” time units
- All other statements do not take time

Delay statements are only executed if no other statement can be executed

Note: **currentTime** denotes the current simulation time

## Delay example



## stream1b.poosl - timing

Add time to Generator and Viewer to represent time needed to generate a message and to display a message, resp., e.g.:

```
sendMessage()  
  delay 3;  
  out!message(number) ;  
  number := number + 1 ;  
  sendMessage()
```

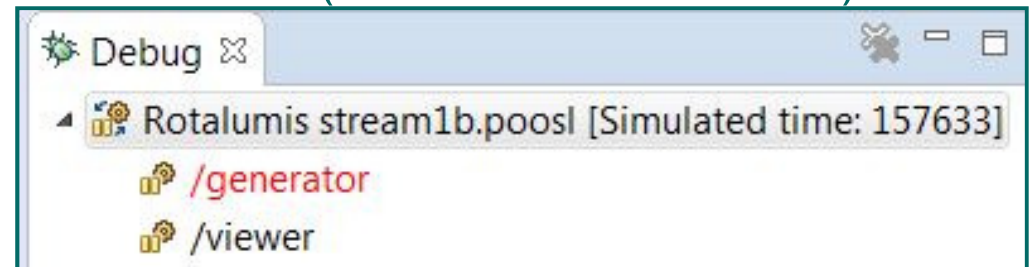
```
receiveMessage()() | counter : Integer |  
  in ? message(counter);  
  delay 5;  
  receiveMessage()
```

Save and simulate the new model in debug mode  
Observe time stamp left of sequence diagram

## Debug perspective

Debug view shows all process instances (and simulation time):

- Red: can do step
- Blue: can do time step
- Black: no step possible



When not simulating, click on instance to show its execution tree and its variables

Execution Tree

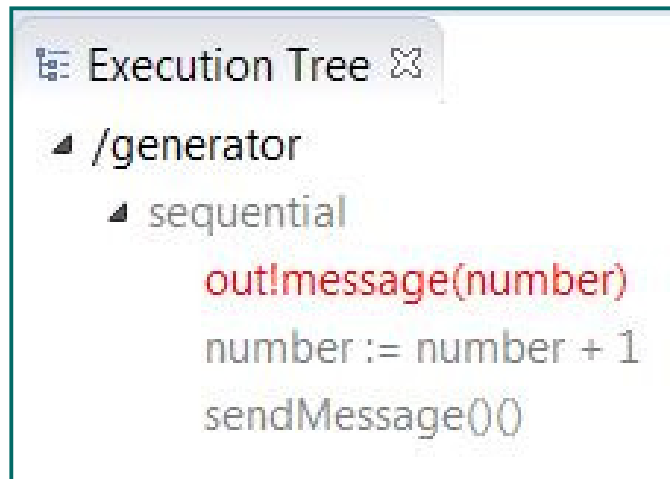
- /generator
  - sequential
    - delay 3
    - out!message(number)
    - number := number + 1
    - sendMessage()

Variables

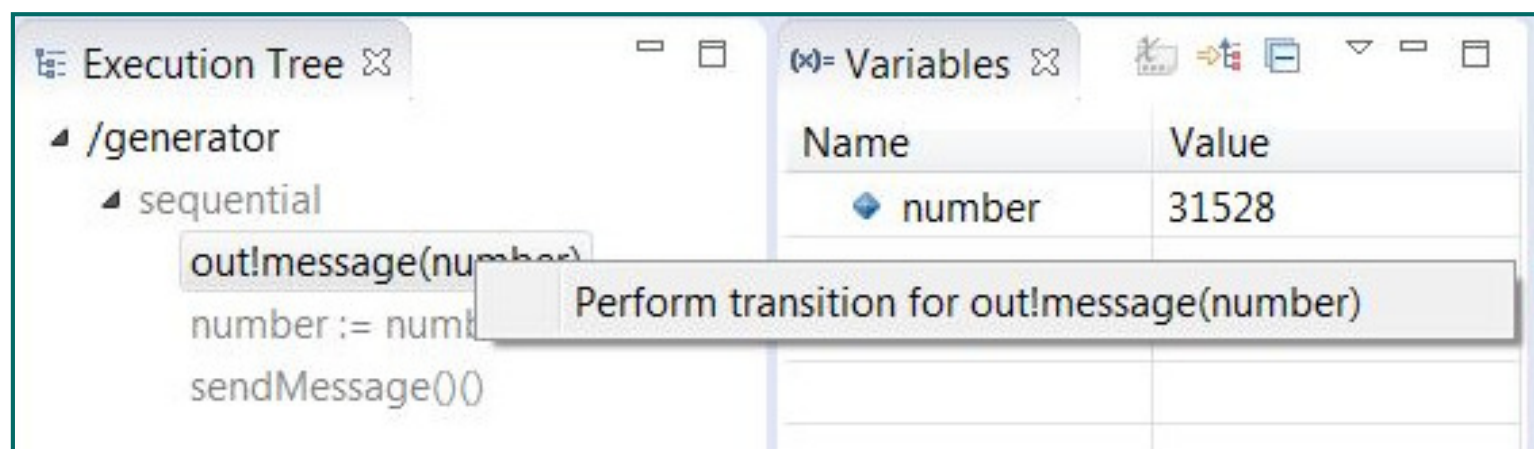
Name	Value
number	3831

## Select step to execute from execution tree

To execute a step of a particular instance, double click on it



or right-click on it and click on the “Perform transition ...” message:



## Hands on stream1b.poosl

- [Stop simulation of stream1a]
- Copy stream1a.poosl to stream1b.poosl
- Edit stream1b.poosl, add delays
- Simulate stream1b in debug mode
  - Try time steps, inspect variables
- Investigate changes in delay values
- Try the delay example:

```
delay 7;  
out ! msg (currentTime)
```

```
delay 3;  
out ! msg (currentTime);  
delay 2;  
out ! msg (currentTime)
```

```
receive()()  
in ? msg(number);  
receive()()
```

## stream2.poosl – process parameters & multiple instances

Copy file to stream2 and add parameters to processes

### Generator:

```
process class Generator(id: String, prepareTime: Integer)
ports
  out
messages
  out ! message(String,Integer)
```

```
sendMessage()()
  delay prepareTime;
  out ! message(id,number) ;
  number := number + 1 ;
  sendMessage()()
```

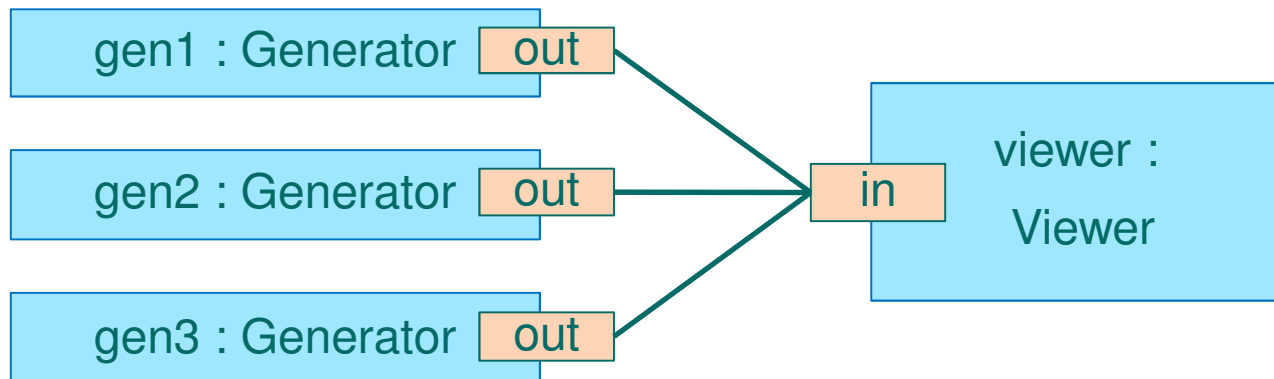
### Viewer:

- add time parameter “receiveTime” to class definition
- receive messages with 2 parameters: String and Integer

## stream2.poosl – process parameters & multiple instances

Define system as follows:

```
system  
instances  
  gen1:  Generator(id := "First", prepareTime := 7)  
  gen2:  Generator(id := "Second", prepareTime := 4)  
  gen3:  Generator(id := "Third", prepareTime := 3)  
  viewer: Viewer(receiveTime := 5)  
channels  
  { gen3.out, gen1.out, gen2.out, viewer.in }
```



## Hands on stream2.poosl

- Copy stream1b.poosl to stream2.poosl
- Edit stream2
- Simulate the model in debug mode
  - Observe the sequence diagram
- Change timing parameters
  - For which values of timing parameters will all generators send their messages regularly?

## Data Objects

- Passive sequential entities
- Can be created dynamically
- Encapsulate their attributes
- Accessible only through method calls
- Single inheritance and polymorphism

## stream3.poosl – define data class

Copy to stream3.poosl and add data class:

```
data class Message extends Object
variables
  Identifier : String,
  Number : Integer
methods
  setIdentifier(I : String) : Message
    Identifier := I ;
    return self
  setNumber(n : Integer) : Message
    Number := n ;
    return self
  getIdentifier() : String
    return Identifier
  getNumber() : Integer
    return Number
  printString() : String
    return "[ Id: " + Identifier + " Nr: " + Number printString + " ]"
```

use of pre-defined  
printString for Integer

## stream3.poosl – use data class

### Generator

```
messages  
out ! message(Message)
```

methods calls  
returning message

```
sendMessage()() | m : Message |  
  delay prepareTime;  
  m := new(Message) setIdentifier(id) setNumber(number);  
  out ! message(m) ;  
  number := number + 1 ;  
  sendMessage()()
```

### Viewer

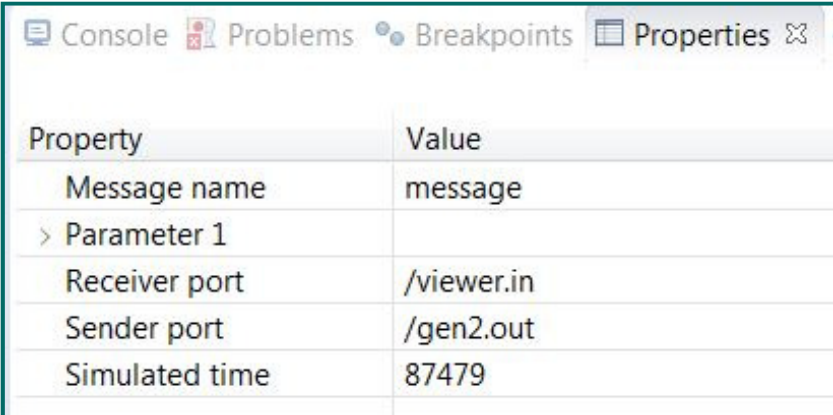
```
messages  
in ? message(Message)
```

```
receiveMessage()() | m : Message |  
  in ? message(m);  
  delay receiveTime ;  
  receiveMessage()()
```

## stream3.poosl

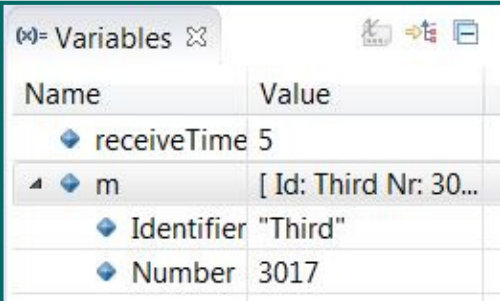
### Simulate the model in debug mode

- Inspect sequence diagram;  
see property view in lower left corner,  
click on messages in sequence diagram
- Inspect received message  
in Variables view
- Change printString of messages and  
see how it is used in sequence diagram



The screenshot shows the 'Properties' view of a debugger. It contains a table with two columns: 'Property' and 'Value'. The table lists the following properties and values:

Property	Value
Message name	message
> Parameter 1	
Receiver port	/viewer.in
Sender port	/gen2.out
Simulated time	87479



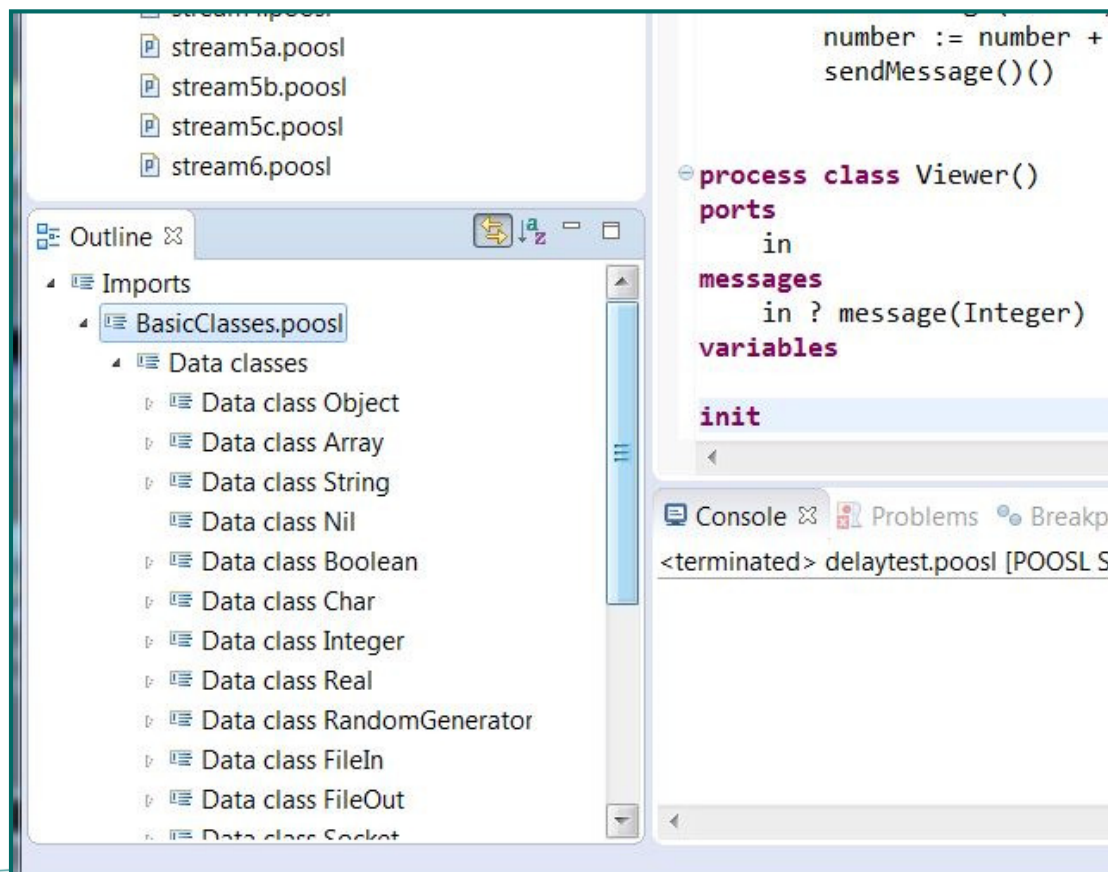
The screenshot shows the 'Variables' view of a debugger. It contains a table with two columns: 'Name' and 'Value'. The table lists the following variables and values:

Name	Value
receiveTime	5
m	[ Id: Third Nr: 30...
Identifier	"Third"
Number	3017

## Predefined data classes

Implicitly imported: BasicClasses.poosl ;

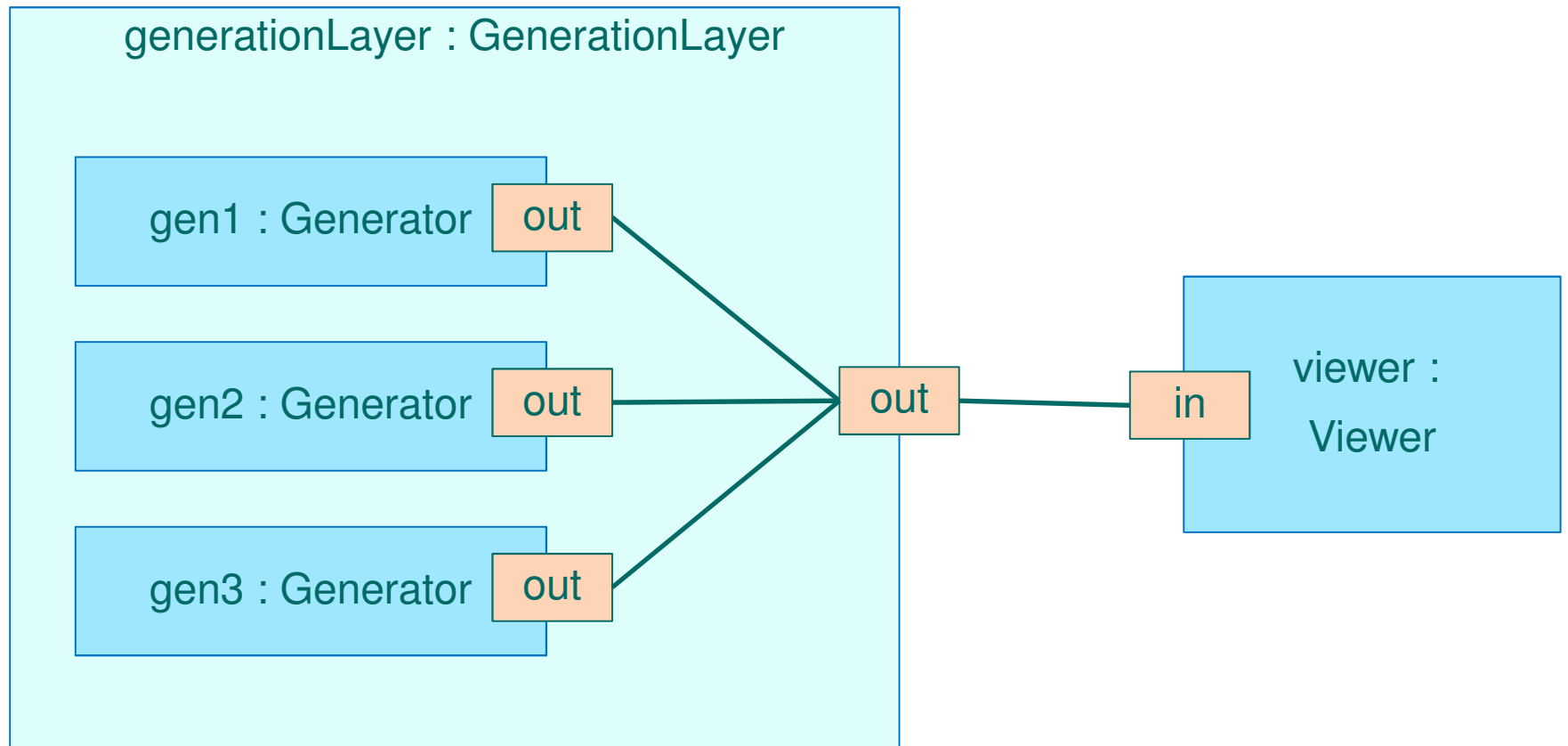
- See Outline view in lower left corner of editor



## Hands on stream3.poosl

- Copy stream2.poosl to stream3.poosl
- Edit stream3
- Simulate the model in debug mode
  - Observe the sequence diagram, inspect the Properties view
  - Inspect received messages in the Variables view
- Experiment with changes in the printString method of messages
  - Observe the use in the sequence diagram
- Inspect the contents of BasicClasses.poosl

## stream4.poosl - cluster



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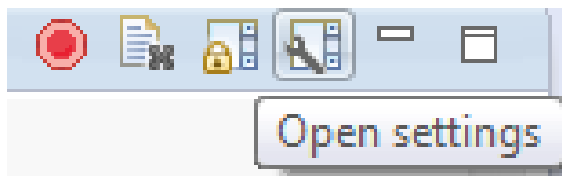
```
cluster class GenerationLayer()  
ports  
    out  
instances  
    gen1:  Generator(id := "First", prepareTime := 14)  
    gen2:  Generator(id := "Second", prepareTime := 18)  
    gen3:  Generator(id := "Third", prepareTime := 25)  
channels  
    {gen1.out, gen2.out, gen3.out, out}  
  
system  
instances  
    generationLayer : GenerationLayer()  
    viewer: Viewer(receiveTime := 5)  
channels  
    { generationLayer.out, viewer.in }
```

## Hands on stream4.poosl

Copy stream3.poosl to stream4.poosl

Simulate the model with a cluster in debug mode.

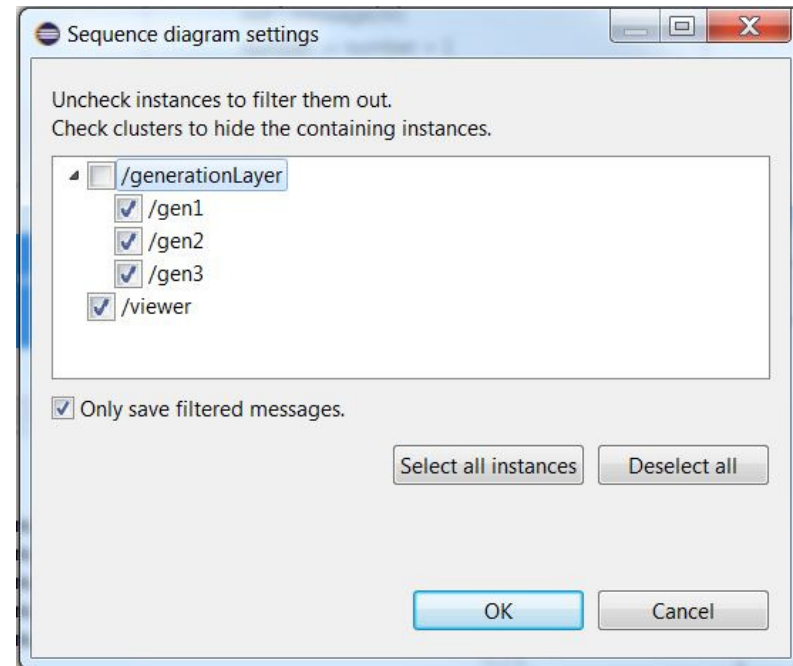
Experiment with changes in the setting of the sequence diagram



Also try right click on instance in sequence diagram and

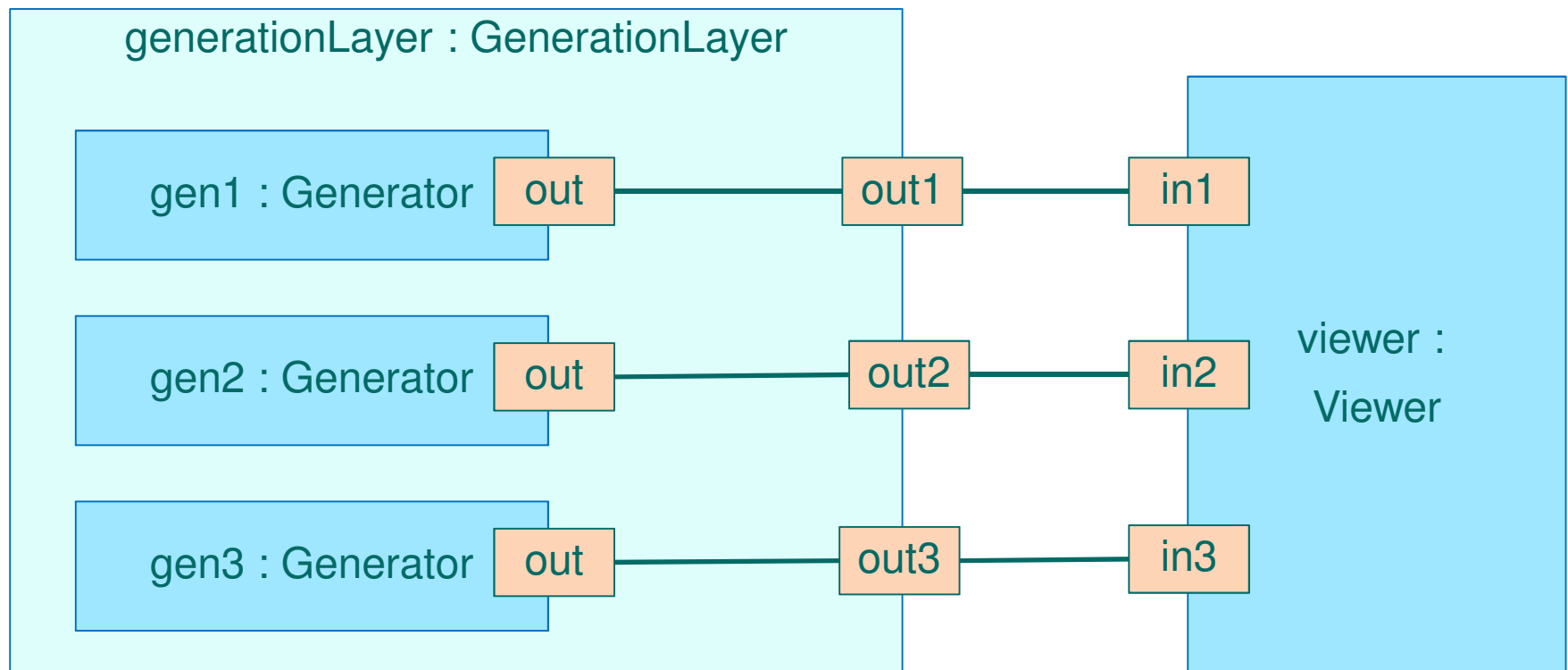
- Hide
- Collapse
- Expand

Note: by default, message buffer contains last 1000 messages



## stream5a.poosl - multiple channels

Adapt the **cluster** to obtain three output channels



## stream5a.poosl - select input

Viewer – use three input channels in1, in2, in3

```
receiveMessage()() | m : Message |  
  sel  
    in1?message(m)  
  or  
    in2?message(m)  
  or  
    in3?message(m)  
  les ;  
  delay receiveTime;  
  receiveMessage()()
```

Use <CTRL>-<SPACE>  
to insert select statement

Use quick-fix to correct  
“messages” part

Adapt **system definition** to connect all three to input of viewer

## stream5b.poosl - guards

Add **guards** to the receive statements in the viewer, e.g.

```
receiveMessage()() | m : Message |  
    sel  
        [next = 1] in1?message(m); next := 2  
    or  
        [next = 2] in2?message(m); next := 3  
    or  
        [next = 3] in3?message(m); next := 1  
    les ;  
    delay receiveTime;  
    receiveMessage()()
```

Add declaration of “next” and an initialization method, e.g.,

- `init()()` which initializes “next” and calls `receiveMessage()()`

## stream5c.poosl– conditional receive

Restrict received messages by conditional receive, e.g.,

```
receiveMessage()() | m : Message |  
  sel  
    in1?message(m | m.getNumber < 5)  
  or  
    in2?message(m | m.getNumber < 10)  
  or  
    in3?message(m)  
  les ;  
  delay receiveTime ;  
  receiveMessage()()
```

## Hands on stream5.poosl

Save stream4.poosl for later use and copy it to stream5a.poosl

- Edit stream5a
  - Simulate in debug mode; observe that in the sequence diagram the channel is visible in Properties view in lower left corner
- Edit stream5b
  - Simulate in debug mode
- Edit stream5c
  - Simulate in debug mode

## **stream6.poosl – asynchronous communication add queue**

Create library with queue model

- Right click on project name “workshop.example” > New > Folder
  - name: lib
- Right click on folder name > New > POOSL Model
  - name: queue.poosl
- Open nl.esi.poosl.example/models/MPSoC/common.poosl
- Copy data classes Element and Queue to queue.poosl

Make a copy of model stream4.poosl and name it: stream6.poosl

In stream6.poosl insert on the first line:

```
import "../lib/queue.poosl"
```

## stream6.poosl – change Viewer to include queue

```
process class Viewer(receiveTime: Integer)
ports
  in
messages
  in ? message(Message)
variables
  messageQueue : Queue
init
  initialize()()
methods
  initialize()()
    messageQueue := new(Queue) init() ;
    par
      receiveMessages()()
    and
      inspectMessages()()
    rap

  receiveMessages()() | m : Message |
    in ? message(m);
    messageQueue add(m);
    receiveMessages()()

  inspectMessages()() | m : Message |
    [messageQueue notEmpty()] m := messageQueue remove();
    delay receiveTime;
    inspectMessages()()
```

parallel  
construct

guard

## Hands on stream6.poosl

- Copy stream4 to stream6.poosl
- Edit stream6
- Simulate stream6.poosl
  - Observe the behaviour, including the queue size
  - Change timing behaviour to get more / less elements in the queue

## Random generator

See Outline (lower left corner of editor)

Imports > BasicClasses > Data classes >  
Data class RandomGenerator

- `random()`: Real ; uniform distribution, value in  $[0,1)$
- `randomInt(i: Integer)`: Integer ; value in  $\{ 0, 1, \dots, i-1 \}$  ( $i > 0$ )
- `randomSeed()`: RandomGenerator
- `seed(i: Integer)`: RandomGenerator ; set seed to  $i$

### Documentation on BasicClasses:

<http://poosl.esi.nl/downloads/manuals/BasicClasses.pdf>

See, for instance, FileIn, FileOut, Socket

## stream7.poosl - use random generator

```
process class Generator(id: String, min, max: Real)
ports
    out
messages
    out ! message(Message)
variables
    number : Integer,
    randomGenerator : RandomGenerator
init
    initialize()()
methods
    initialize()()
        number := 1 ;
        randomGenerator := new(RandomGenerator) randomiseSeed;
        sendMessage()()
    sendMessage()() | m : Message |
        delay min + (max * randomGenerator random);
        m := new(Message) setIdentifier(id) setNumber(number);
        out ! message(m) ;
        number := number + 1 ;
        sendMessage()()
```

## stream7.poosl – system definition

Cluster is not used

notation for Real

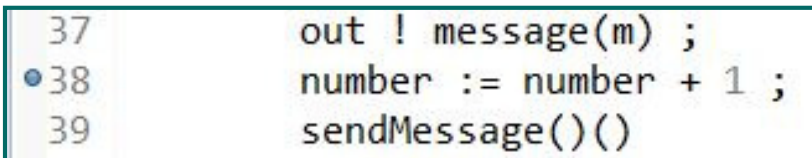
```
system  
instances  
    gen:  Generator(id := "First", min := 5.0, max := 10.0)  
    viewer: Viewer(receiveTime := 15)  
channels  
    { gen.out, viewer.in }
```

- Simulate and observe Queue size in Variables window

## Breakpoints in process methods

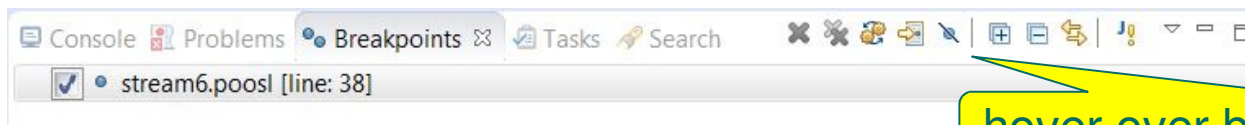
3 ways to add breakpoints:

- Double click ruler in front of line in editor
- Right click ruler in front of line and select Toggle Breakpoint.
- Use shortcut Ctrl+Shift+B to set a breakpoint on current line.



```
37      out ! message(m) ;  
38      number := number + 1 ;  
39      sendMessage()
```

- Breakpoints are visible in Breakpoints view (bottom part)



- “When a breakpoint is hit during simulation, simulation will be suspended.

## Atomicity brackets

```
process class atomicityTest()
ports
messages
variables
    temp1, temp2, number : Integer
init
    init()()
methods
    init()()
        number := 0;
    par
        update1()()
    and
        update2()()
    rap
    update1()()
        temp1 := number; number := temp1+1
    update2()()
        temp2 := number; number := temp2+1

system
instances
    test : atomicityTest()
channels
```

Observe that number can be 1 at the end  
Compare with a version where  
**atomicity brackets** are added:

```
update1()()
    {temp1 := number; number := temp1+1}
update2()()
    {temp2 := number; number := temp2+1}
```

## Other language constructs

```
if (id = "first")  
then  
    id := "second"  
else  
    id := "third"  
fi
```

```
while (index <= 10)  
do  
    doTask();  
    index := index + 1  
od
```

```
abort  
    doTask()  
with  
    in?stopTask()
```

```
interrupt  
    doTask()  
with  
    somethingUrgent()
```

## Other editor features

- Task markers:      // TODO      // FIXME      // XXX
- Searchable outline tree with model structure (including imports)
- Refactor, search-and-replace
- Print, undo, redo, ...

As separate plug-in:

- Import from SHESim XML
- Export to SHESim XML      (with default graphical layout)

## Library & Examples

See: [nl.esi.poosl.examples/libraries](http://nl.esi.poosl.examples/libraries)

- **distributions.poosl**

distribution functions:

- Bernoulli, Beta, Beta4, DiscreteUniform, Exponential, Gamma, Discrete, Normal, PERT, Triangle, Uniform, Weibull, Histogram

- **performance.poosl**

function to observe performance

- PerformanceMonitor, LongRunSampleAverage, LongRunSampleVariance, LongRunTimeAverage, LongRunTimeVariance, LongRunRateAverage, ConfidenceInterval

## Industrial Applications of POOSL

Application of system level modeling using POOSL	Industry
Design Space Exploration for Advanced Driver Assistance E/E Architectures	NXP
Performance Analysis and DSE for Mixed-Criticality Computing Systems in Automotive	TNO and NXP
Rapid Prototyping of a Hybrid Architecture for Movement Control of iXR Systems	Philips Healthcare
Rapid Prototyping of a Proposed New Architecture for Movement Control of iXR Systems	Philips Healthcare
Performance Analysis of the Imaging Chain in iXR Systems	Philips Healthcare
Rapid Prototyping of the Requirements and Design of the Pedal Handling Component of iXR Systems	Philips Healthcare
Simulation of Distributed Lighting Systems	Philips Lighting
Variability Analysis in Fixed-Order Multi-Core Schedules	ASML
Performance Prediction and Design-Space Exploration for Wafer Scanners	ASML
Performance Modeling of SmartTV Systems	TPVision
Performance Analysis of Ethernet AVB	NXP
Load Regulation Modeling of Variability 3P Applications for Tacticos	Thales Navel Systems
Performance Analysis of a Printer Data Path	Océ
Performance Analysis of Compact Picking Systems	Vanderlande Industries
Simulation Model of Automatic Case Picking System Concept	Vanderlande Industries

**ASML**

**PHILIPS**



**TPVISION**



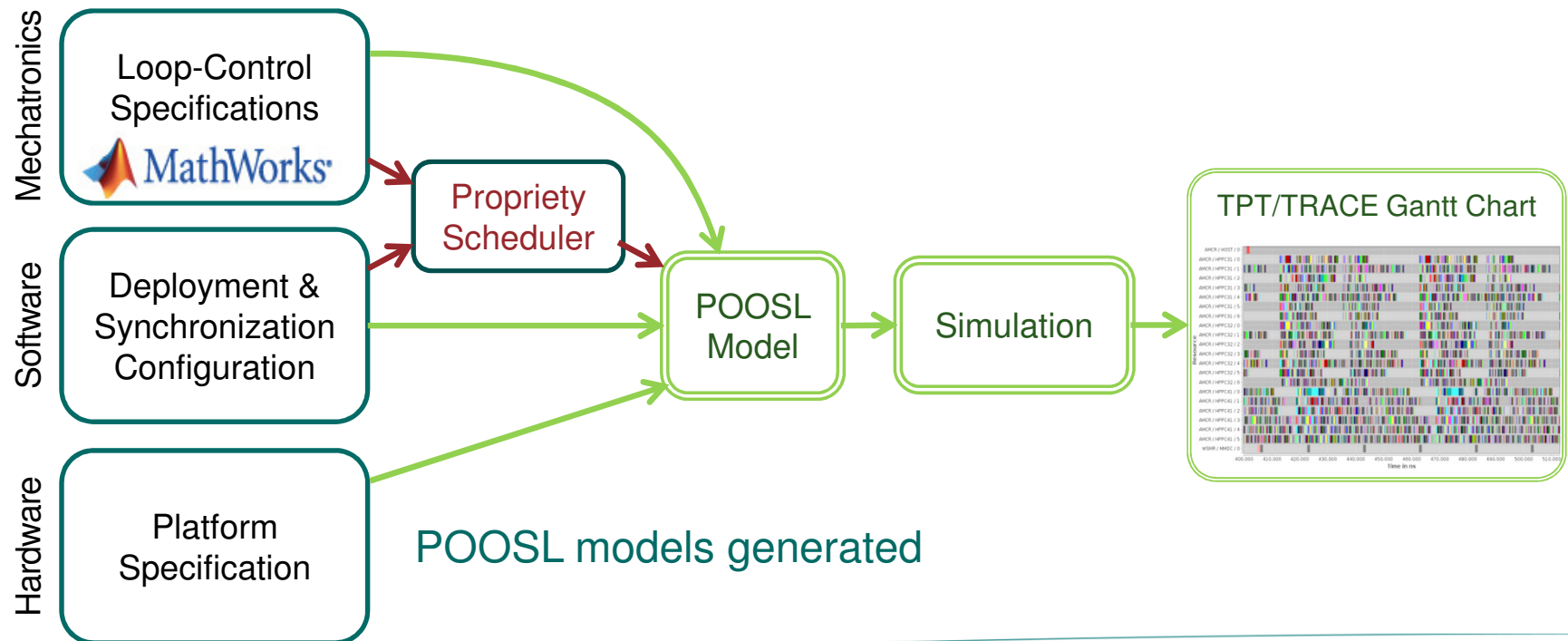
**THALES**



## Real-time performance analysis @ ASML

Goal: bottleneck identification & exploration of design alternatives

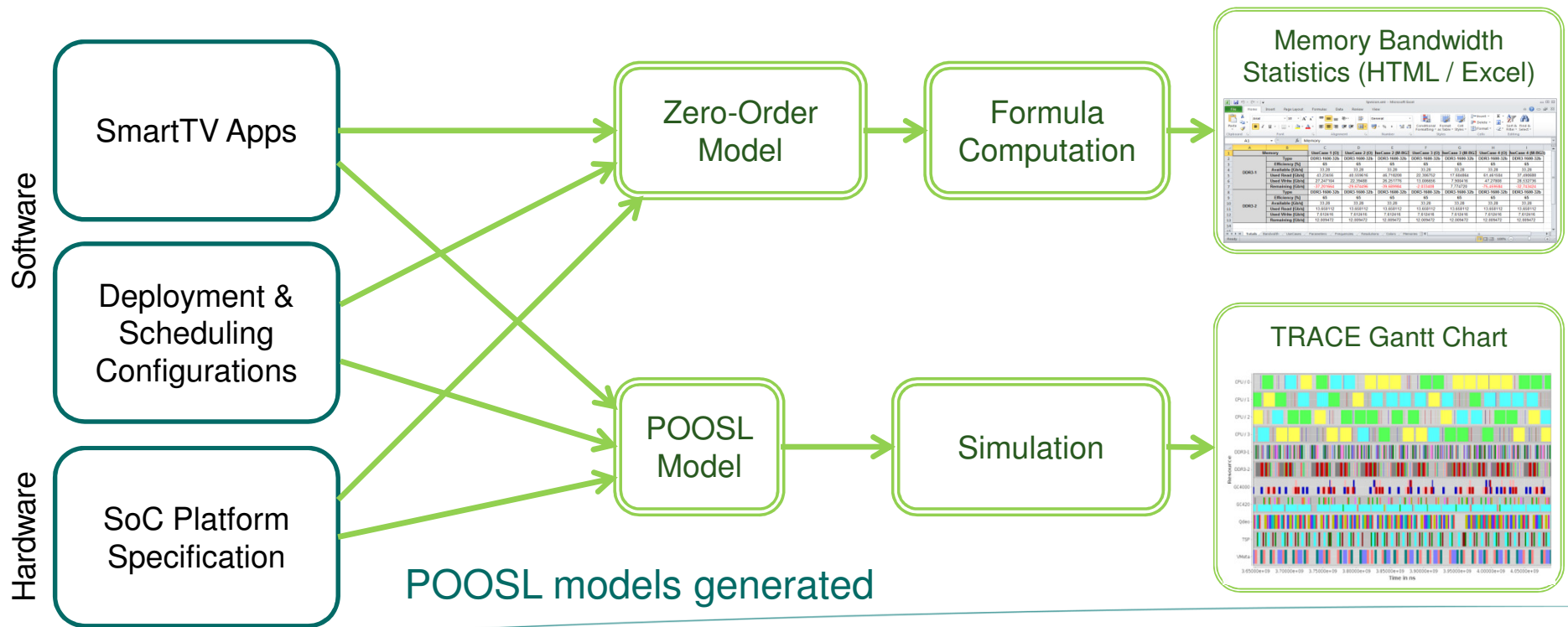
- Focus: real-time performance for (multi-rate & multi-core) loop control
- Scale (medium size case): 1500 sensors/actuators, 200 loop control networks with 4500 tasks, 60 processors in 6 racks



## Performance & memory @ TPVision (Smart TVs)

Goal: bottleneck identification & exploration of design alternatives

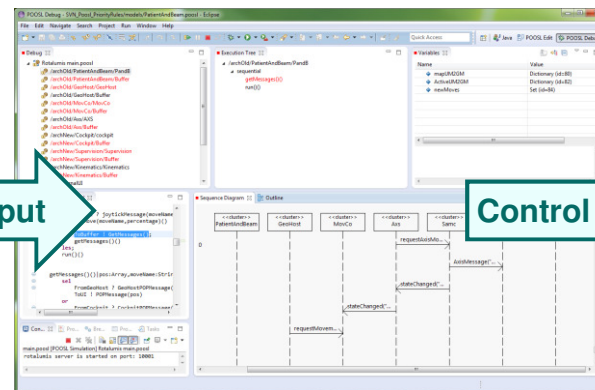
- Focus: real-time performance & memory bandwidth utilization
- Scale: 50 tasks in video/graphics pipelines operating in 5 use cases, 1 multi-core CPU, 2 GPUs, 8 accelerators, 2 main memories



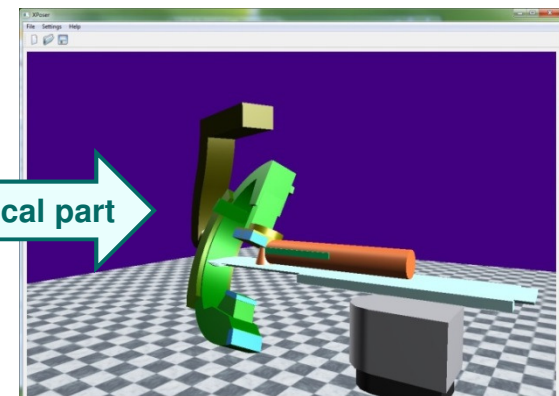
- Java program
- Ogre 3D graphics engine



## User input



## Control physical part



## POOSL model and simulation

## Visualization

# Requirements validation @ Philips Healthcare

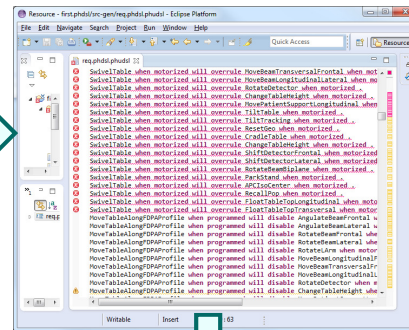
- Generate part of POOSL model from Domain Specific Language

Edit requirements

```
requirements.phdrl
Type: motorized
Originated from: onPedestal
Frontal_Stand_Zrot
Type: motorized
Originated from: onPedestal
ResetGeo
Type: motorized
Originated from: onPedestal
end

Priority rules
ResetGeo will overrule anyOther user function .
anyOther user function will overrule ResetGeo.
Table_Height will disable Frontal_Stand_Rotate.
Frontal_Stand_Rotate will disable Table_Height.
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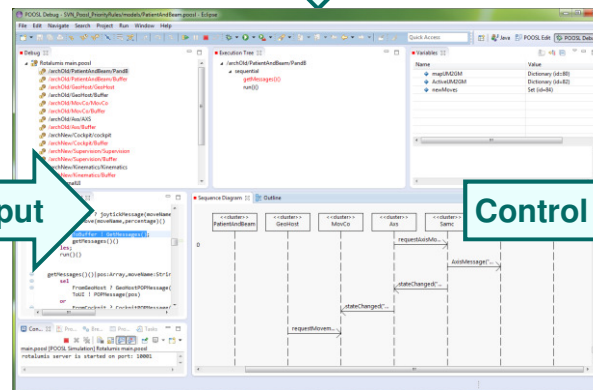
Analyze completeness of requirements



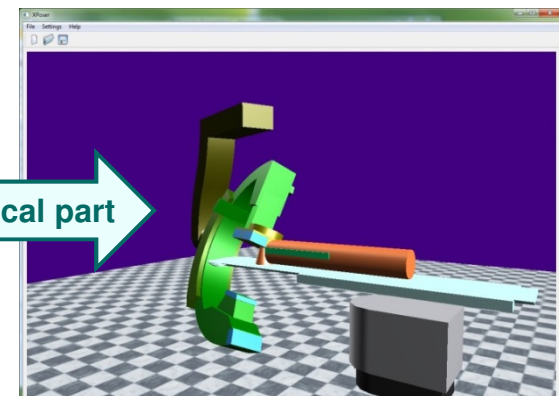
Generate POOSL model



User input



Control physical part



User Input

POOSL model and simulation

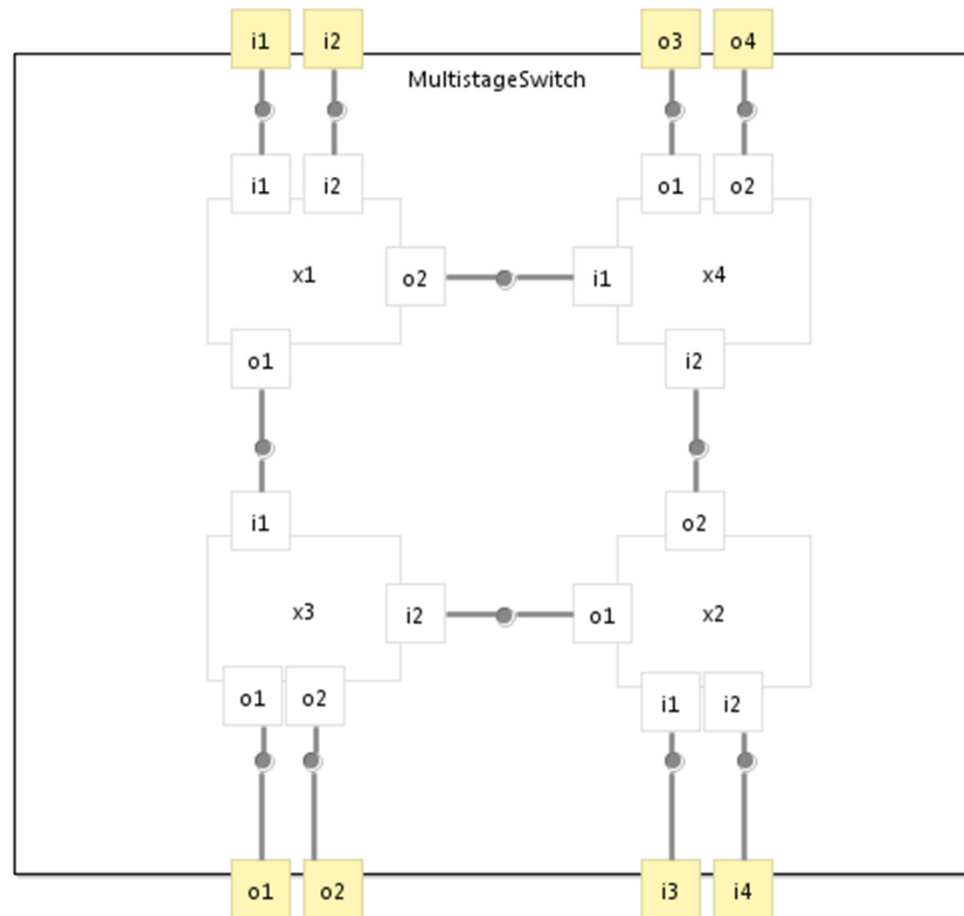
Visualization

## Current work – textual + graphical editor

Integration of Xtext and Sirius to edit system structure graphically

Xtext

Sirius



## More information

### nl.esi.poosl.examples

- examples
  - SocketExample: client-server using SocketProcess (and random)
  - ATMSwitch: using [Bounded] FIFO buffer
  - MarsRover: tasks, mutex, processor
  - SoCInterconnects: bus with arbitration
  - MPSoC: use of distributions and performance libraries for mapping of applications to execution platform with scheduling, memory, battery, ....

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