#### Protecting Safety-critical Software Intensive Systems From Malicious Action:

Strong partitioning using the verified seL4 microkernel and formal methodsintegrated model-based development with SysMLv2 and Rust

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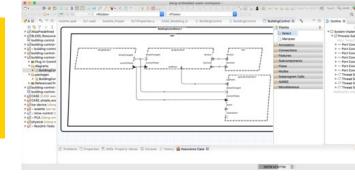
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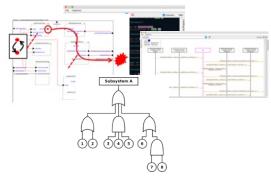
# HAMR

**HAMR** – tool chain for [H]igh [A]ssurance [M]odeling and [R]apid engineering for embedded systems

Modeling, analysis, and verification in the **AADL** modeling language (+ **SysMLv2**)

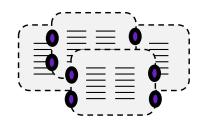


*Leveraging analyses from AADL community* 



Component development and verification in multiple languages

Deployments aligned with AADL run-time on multiple platforms



- Slang (with contracts)
  - high integrity subset of Scala
  - contract verification framework
  - translates to C
  - translates to Rust
- Rust (with contracts)
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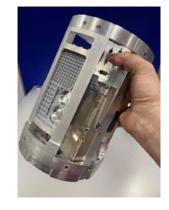


### HAMR - Collins Aerospace

On DARPA PROVERS, HAMR is being used to develop an experimental version of the infrastructure for Collins "Air Launched Effects" platform that provides increased modularity and security --- (final development will be HAMR SysMLv2 to Rust)



**Current** - Mission computer for UAVs collaborative UAVs

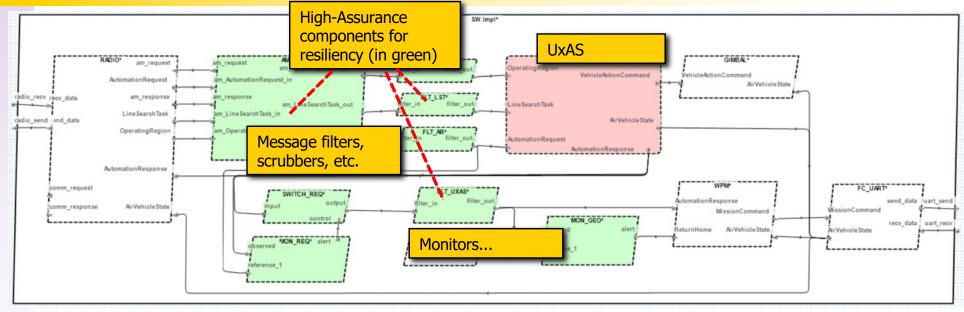


Video: <u>https://youtu.be/SwPJHmZQMaM?si=NwTdb3VFpV-MxSre</u>



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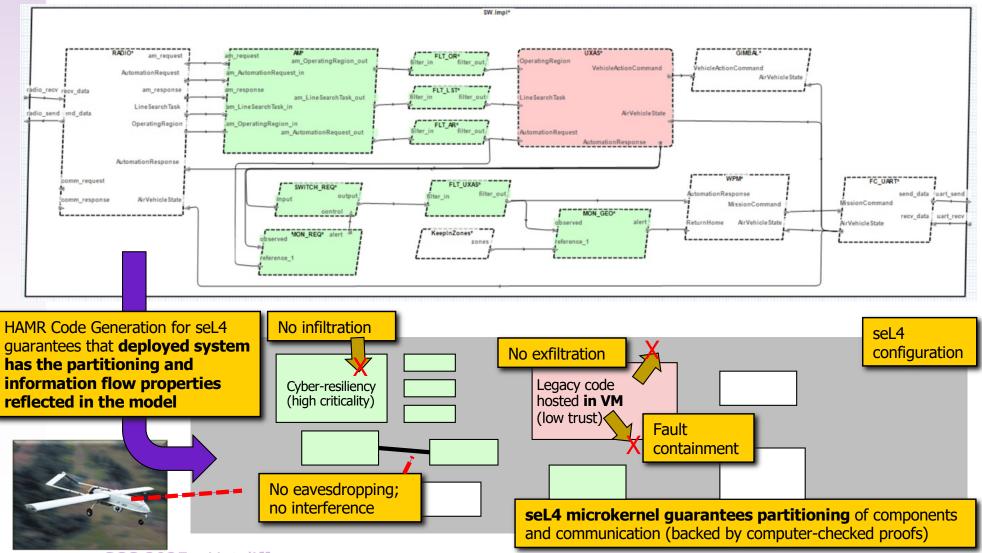
Previous HAMR / Collins Aerospace demonstration based on AFRL UxAS – unmanned air system services – adding cyber-resiliency...





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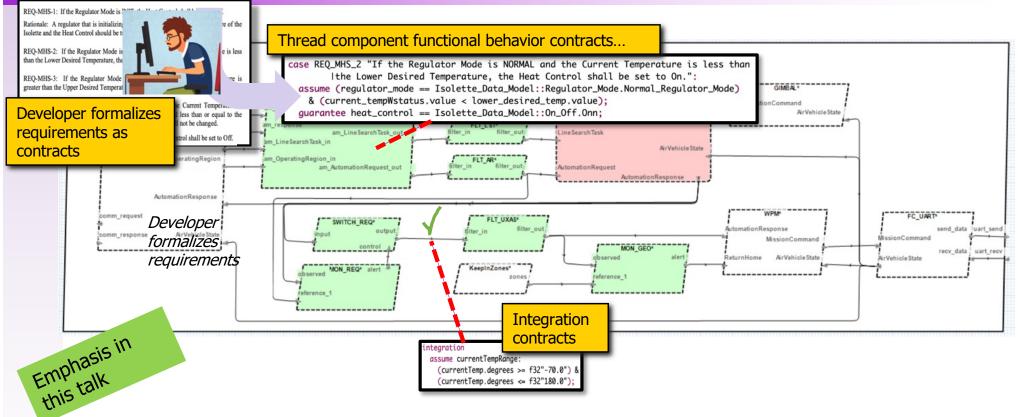
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# Memory Safe Languages

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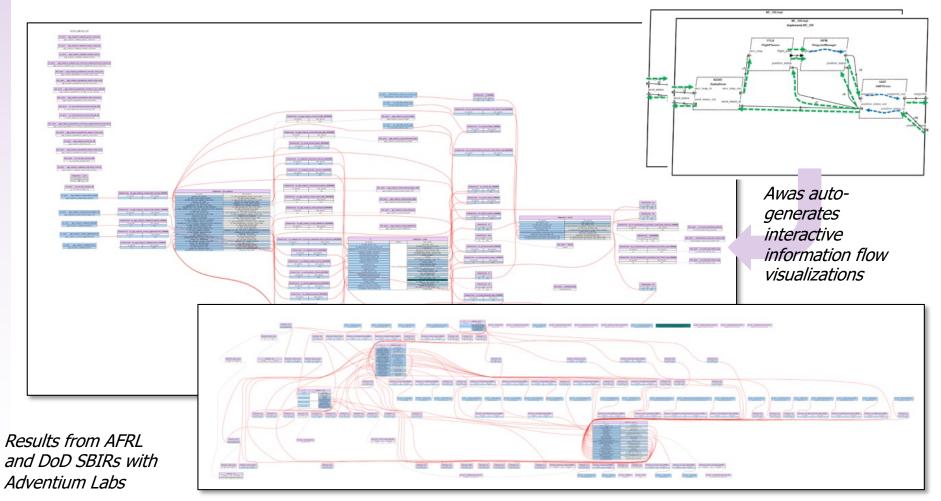
### **Models - Analyzeable Abstractions**



- GUMBO model level contracts for thread components and component connections
- Integration contracts are checked in the SysMLv2 IDE
- Thread component contracts are transformed and embedded in generated application code skeletons for testing and verification

### AADL Analysis Example: Information Flow

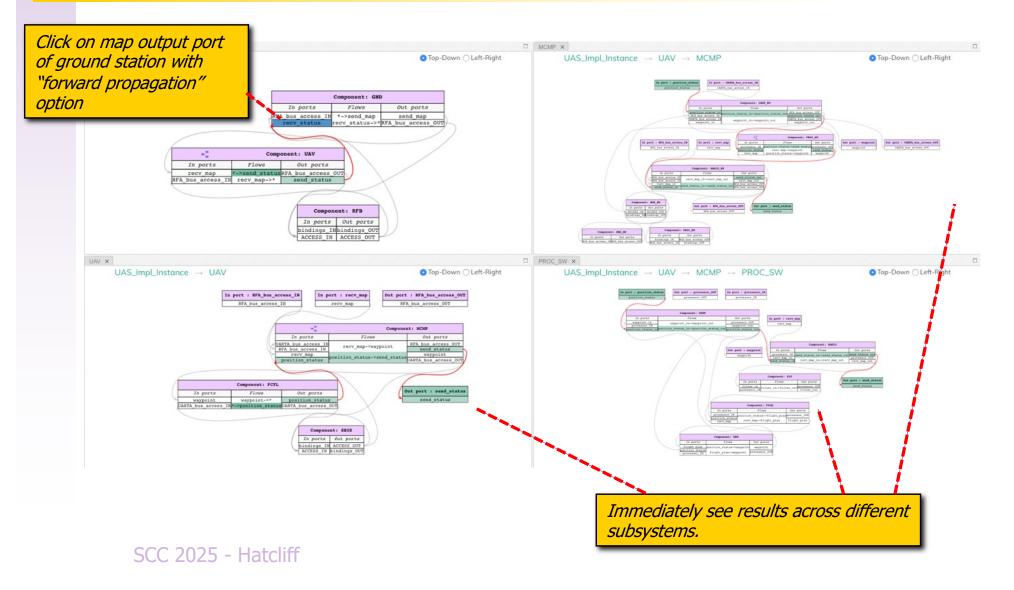
The KSU Awas tool (<u>https://awas.sireum.org</u>) generates scalable interactive visualizations of AADL information flows and model-based hazard analysis results



Information flow graphs can be dynamically browsed and queried with path logic.

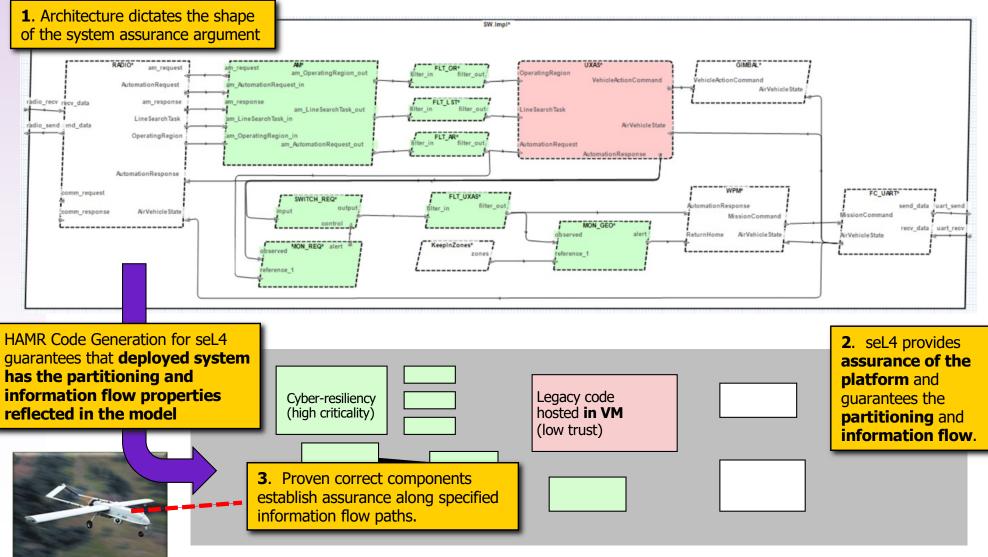
### Interactive Browsing of Information Flows (AADL Level)

**Example**: In Ground Station / UAV example used on DARPA CASE, ask "How does map information propagate from ground station to UAV and through UAV's mission computer to produce a waypoint?"



### Separation Kernel Foundation – Verified Partitioning

Previous HAMR / Collins Aerospace demonstration based on AFRL UxAS – unmanned air system services



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...assurance story goes back to Rushby's motivation for separation kernel

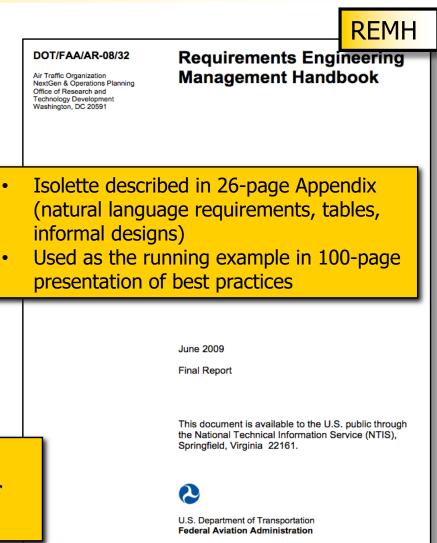
### Isolette - Infant Incubator System

#### From US FAA Requirements Engineering Management Handbook (REMH)

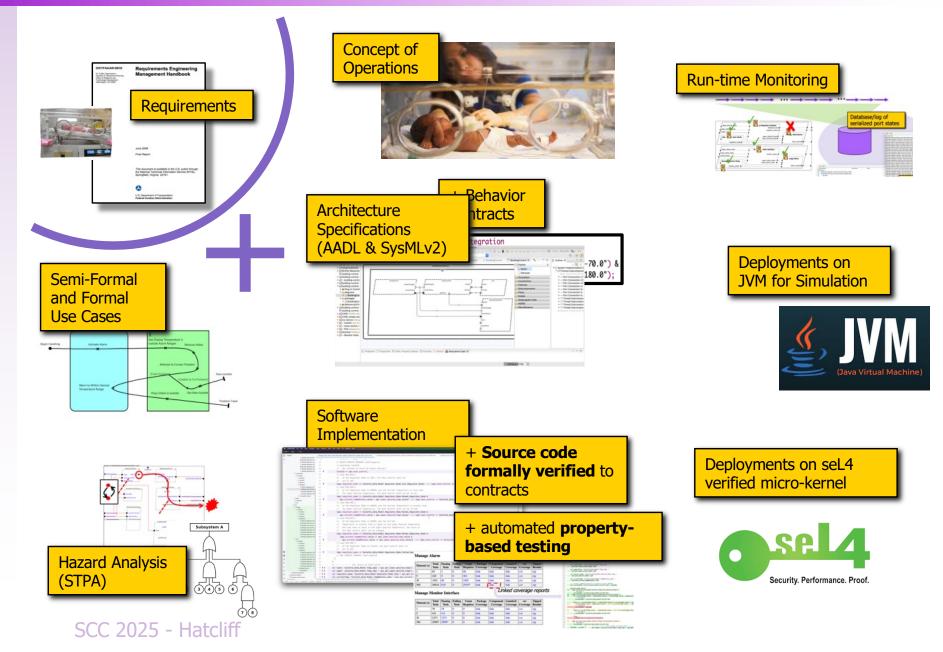
- Handbook on best practices for requirements development written for the FAA by engineers at Collins Aerospace
- Includes example of an "Isolette" (infant incubator)



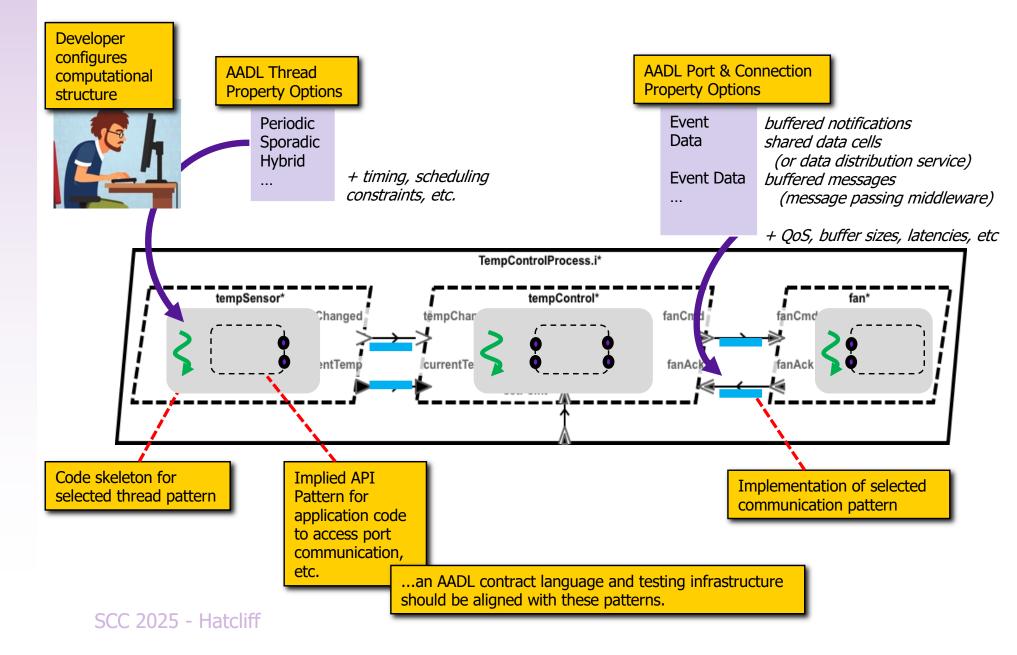
- 6 Real-time Tasks
- ~36 component-level requirements
- Interestesting modal behavior



# Much Effort to Make "End-to-End"

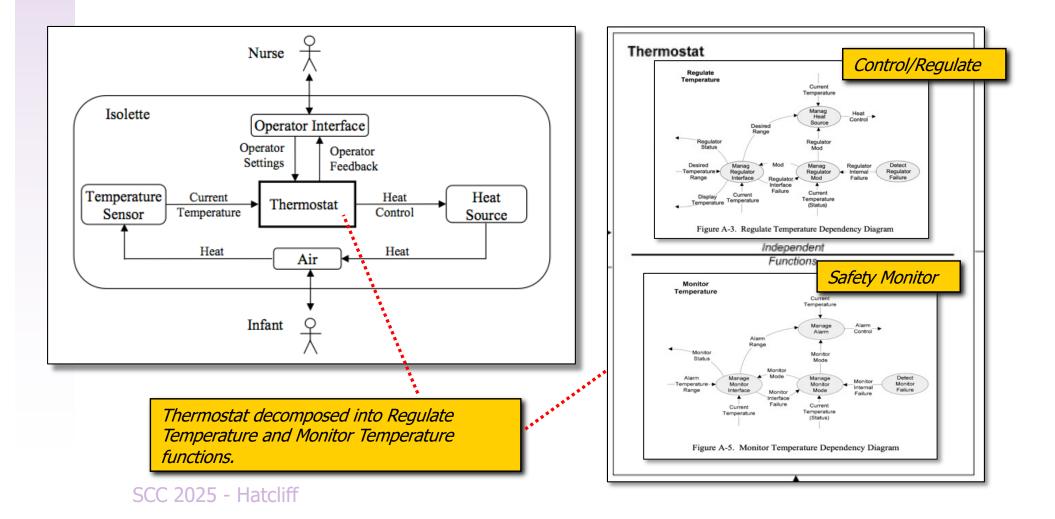


# **AADL Modeling Concepts**



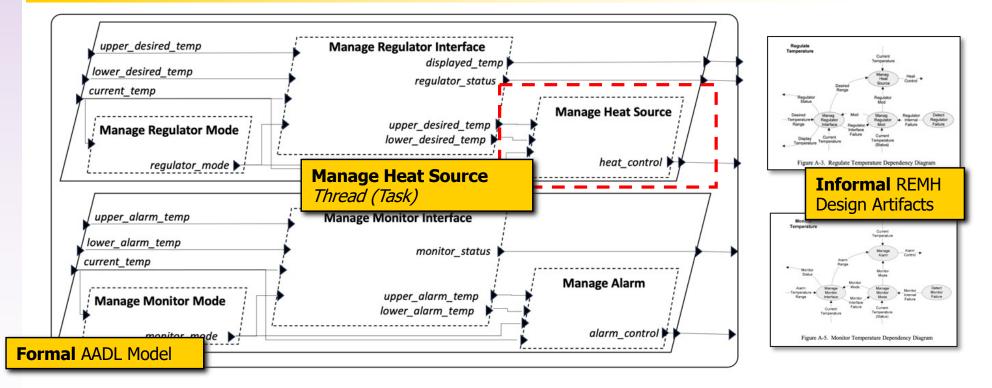
# **REMH - Informal Designs**

The FAA REMH decomposes the Isolette into a control system and safety monitor subsystem with three tasks each



# **Using AADL to Represent Design**

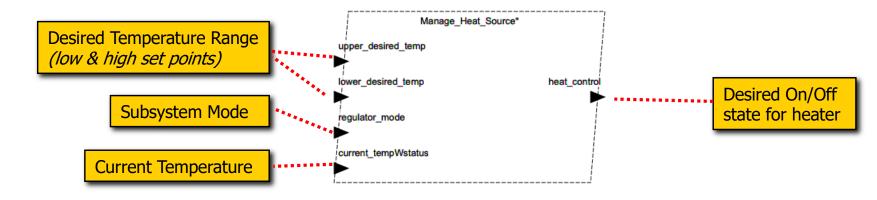
AADL Model is a straightforward rendering of the design diagrams in the FAA REMH



This example is worked **completely end-to-end** from requirements, to contracts, to automatically tested and verified application code, to deployment on seL4, Linux, JVM, JavaScript. **All artifacts are publicly available.** 

# **Manage Heat Source Thread**

#### AADL Interface for Manage Heat Source Thread



#### thread Manage\_Heat\_Source features

-- ===== INPUTS ======

-- ("Current Temperature") - current temperature (from temp sensor)
current\_tempWstatus: in data port Isolette\_Data\_Model::TempWstatus.impl;
-- ("Desired Range") - lowest and upper bound of desired temperature range
lower\_desired\_temp: in data port Isolette\_Data\_Model::Temp.impl;
upper\_desired\_temp: in data port Isolette\_Data\_Model::Temp.impl;
-- ("Regulator Mode") - subsystem mode
regulator\_mode: in data port Isolette\_Data\_Model::Regulator\_Mode;

-- ====== OUTPUTS ======

-- ("Heat Control") - command to turn heater on/off (actuation command)
heat\_control: out data port Isolette\_Data\_Model::On\_Off;
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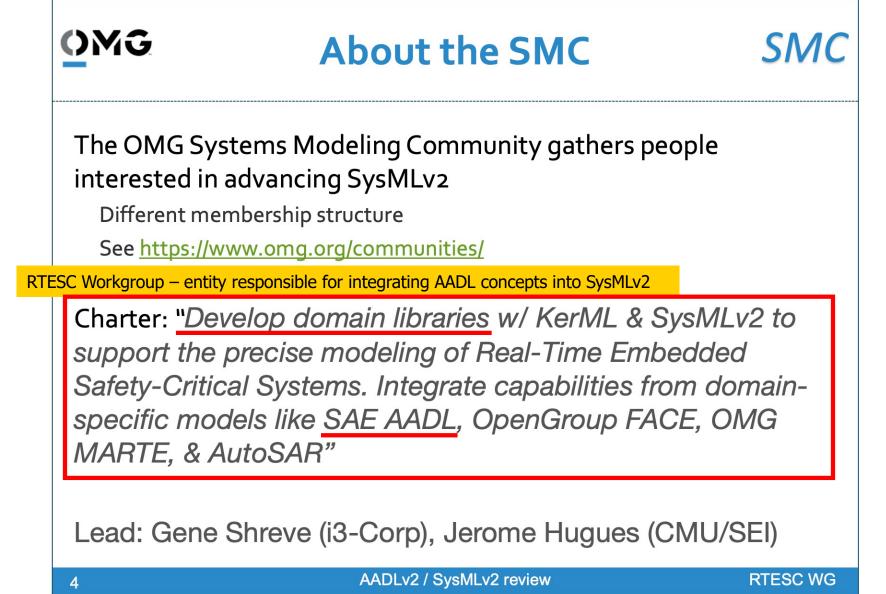
# SysMLv2



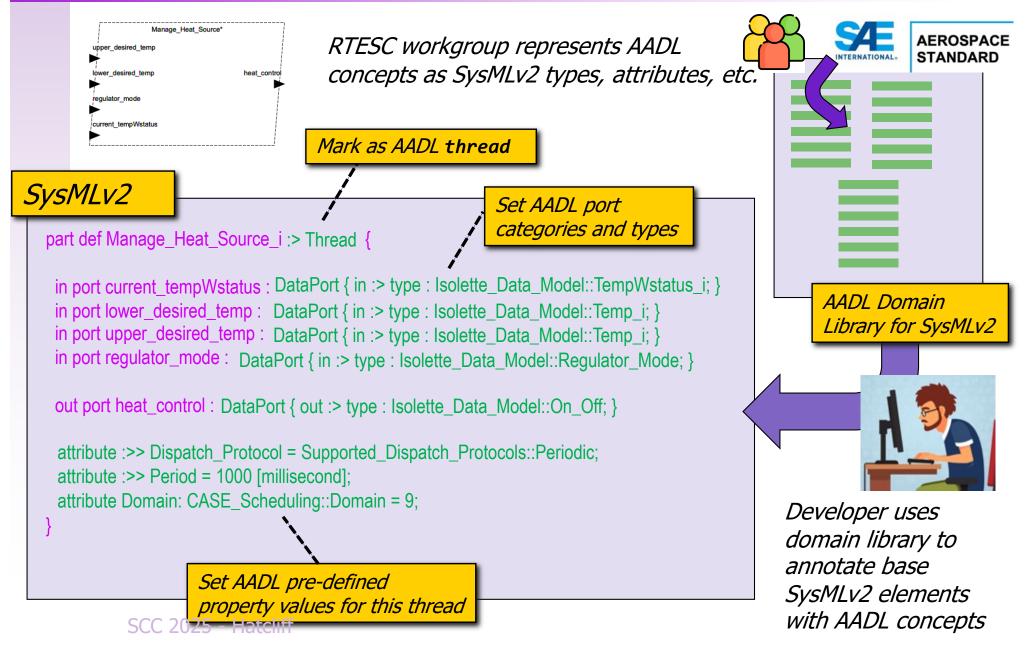
Why might SysMLv2 provide a alternate vehicle for rigorous model-based development, including AADL concepts?

- Will have wide-ranging commercial tool support as well as open source implementations
- Re-engineered from the ground up
  - No backwards compatibility with SysMLv1 except through translation
  - Not built as a profile of UML
- Like AADL, has both a graphical view and textual view
- Many AADL modeling elements have analogues in SysMLv2
  - E.g., components, ports, connections, developer-defined attributes
- Aims to provide a stronger "semantics" for system engineering compared to UML, SysMLv1

### AADL / SysMLv2 Integration OMG Standards Work



# **Representing AADL in SysMLv2**



### AADL / SysMLv2 Component Types Visual Comparison

#### AADL

thread Manage\_Heat\_Source

#### features

```
current_tempWstatus: in data port Isolette_Data_Model::TempWstatus.impl;
lower_desired_temp: in data port Isolette_Data_Model::Temp.impl;
upper_desired_temp: in data port Isolette_Data_Model::Temp.impl;
regulator_mode: in data port Isolette_Data_Model::Regulator_Mode;
heat_control: out data port Isolette_Data_Model::On_Off;
```

#### properties

```
Dispatch_Protocol => Periodic;
Period => Isolette_Properties::ThreadPeriod;
```

#### SysMLv2

```
part def Manage_Heat_Source_i :> Thread {
```

```
in port current_tempWstatus : DataPort { in :> type : Isolette_Data_Model::TempWstatus_i; }
in port lower_desired_temp : DataPort { in :> type : Isolette_Data_Model::Temp_i; }
in port upper_desired_temp : DataPort { in :> type : Isolette_Data_Model::Temp_i; }
in port regulator_mode : DataPort { in :> type : Isolette_Data_Model::Regulator_Mode; }
out port heat_control : DataPort { out :> type : Isolette_Data_Model::On_Off; }
```

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attribute :>> Dispatch_Protocol = Supported_Dispatch_Protocols::Periodic;
attribute :>> Period = 1000 [millisecond];
attribute Domain: CASE_Scheduling::Domain = 9;
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# **Requirements to Contracts**

FAA REMH requirements for Manage Heat Source task

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Requirements Engineering Management Handbook

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Requirements for control laws of this task...

REQ-MHS-1: If the Regulator Mode is INIT, the Heat Control shall be set to Off.

Rationale: A regulator that is initializing cannot regulate the Current Temperature of the Isolette and the Heat Control should be turned off.

REQ-MHS-2: If the Regulator Mode is NORMAL and the Current Temperature is less than the Lower Desired Temperature, the Heat Control shall be set to On.

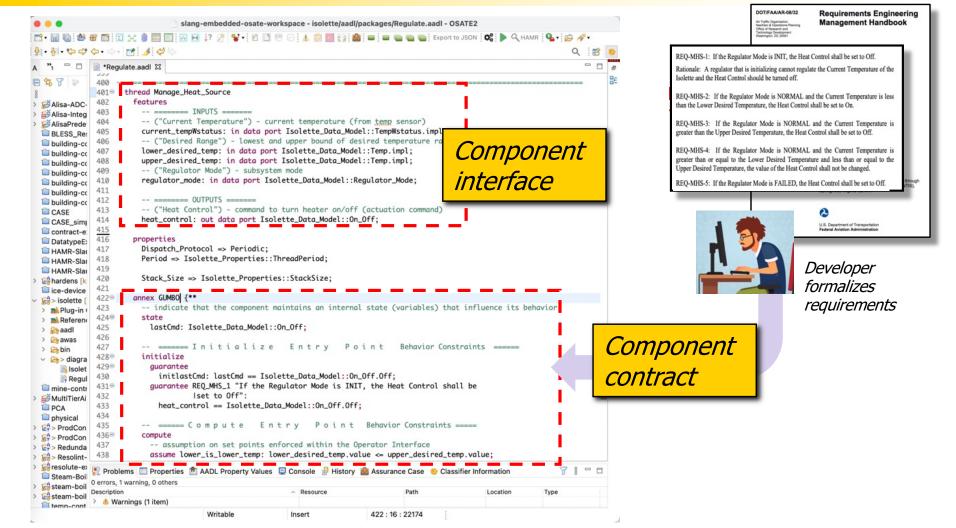
REQ-MHS-3: If the Regulator Mode is NORMAL and the Current Temperature is greater than the Upper Desired Temperature, the Heat Control shall be set to Off.

REQ-MHS-4: If the Regulator Mode is NORMAL and the Current Temperature is greater than or equal to the Lower Desired Temperature and less than or equal to the Upper Desired Temperature, the value of the Heat Control shall not be changed.

REQ-MHS-5: If the Regulator Mode is FAILED, the Heat Control shall be set to Off.

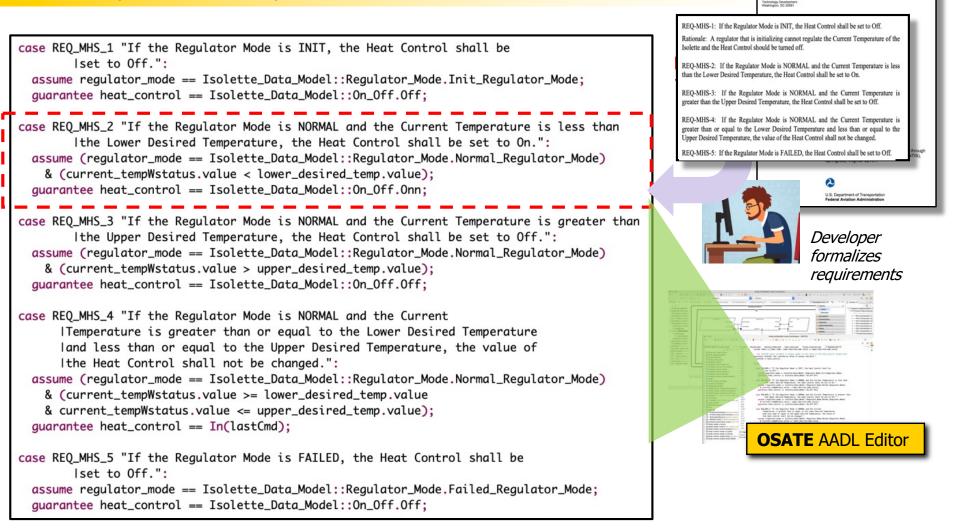
# **Requirements to Contracts**

GUMBO contracts are written together with the thread interface in the AADL OSATE IDE (using AADL Annex clause)



# Manage Heat Source Contracts

#### AADL GUMBO Contracts for Manage Heat Source Thread, with traceability to REMH requirements.

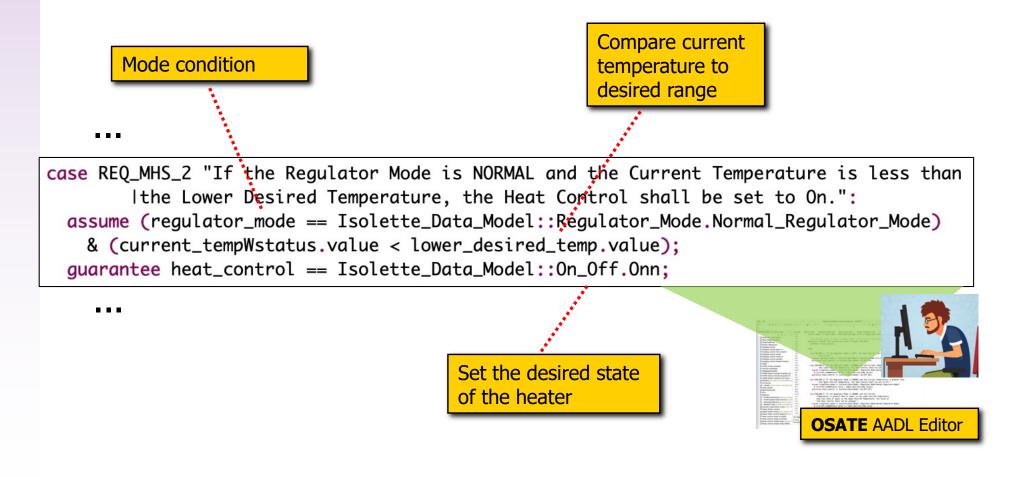


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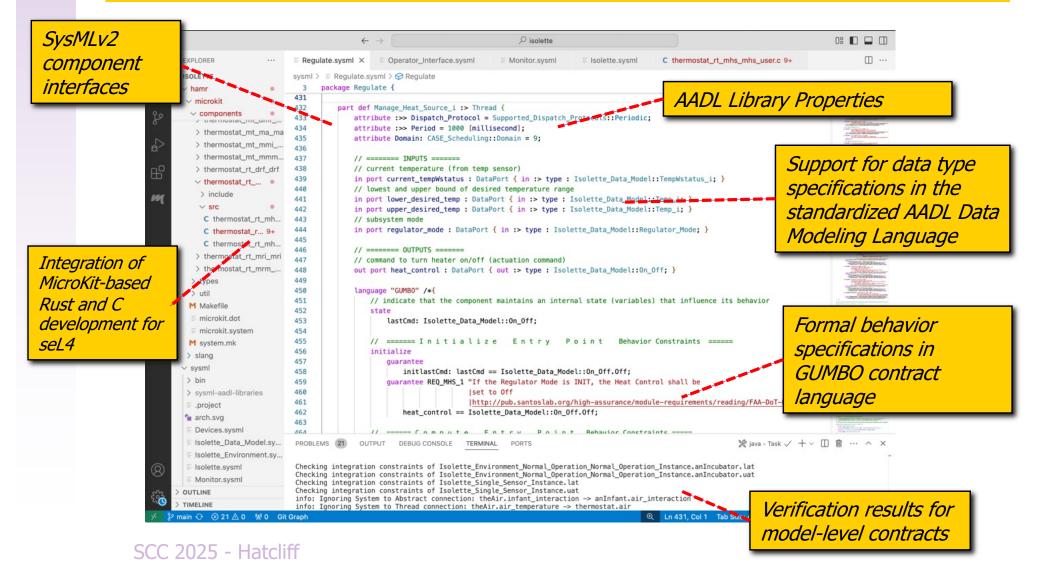
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# HAMR SysMLv2 Front-end

**NEW:** We developed a VSCode SysMLv2 HAMR front-end based on the SysIDE VSCode plug-in (prototype)



# **AADL / HAMR Formal Semantics**

140+ page literate-style Isabelle/HOL theories for AADL/SysMLv2 HAMR execution model (guides our design of our contracts and verification/testing framework)

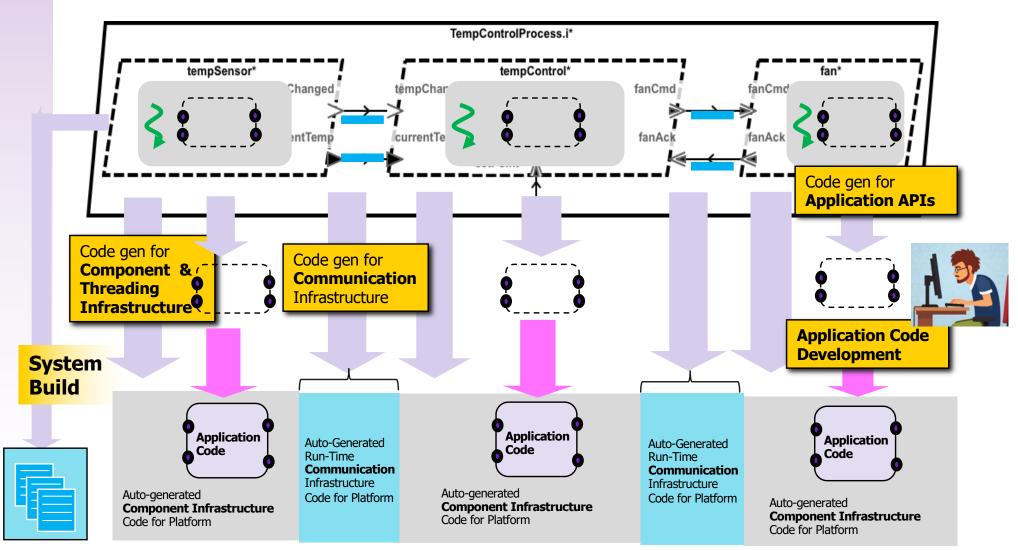
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*Joint work with Stefan Hallerstede (U. Aarhus)* 

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<pre>ISCIDENCE Interview I</pre>	tvar :: 'a VarState infi :: 'a PortState app :: 'a PortState info :: 'a PortState disp :: DispatchStatus The following function helps abbreviate the construction of a thread state. fun tstate where tstate tv ii ai ao io $ds =$ ( tvar= tv, infi= ii, appi= ai, appo= ao, info= io, disp= ds ) <b>2.4.2 Well-formedness Definitions</b> In general, thread state well-formedness definitions specify that the things (vars, ports) that we are manipulating in the state for a thread t are aligned with things that we declared in the model for t. (e.g., the thread state does not include a queue for a port that was not declared for the thread in the model, and conversely, every port that was declared for this thread in the model has a queue associated with it). First, well-formedness conditions for each of the thread state elements are specified. Then, the well-formed <b>Thread State Elements</b> <b>definition</b> wf-ThreadState-tvar:: Model $\Rightarrow$ CompId $\Rightarrow$ ('a VarState) $\Rightarrow$ bool where wf-ThreadState-tvar m c vs $\equiv$ wf-VarState vs {v . isVarOfCID m c v} The infi component of a ThreadState (input infrastructure port map) is well formed when the domain of the infi port map is equal to the set of input ports for the thread leclared in the model. Intuitively,
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<ul> <li>Enhanced and scope expanded</li> <li>Prove soundness of contract framework</li> <li>Extend formalization downwards towards seL4 proof-base</li> </ul>	<b>definition</b> wf-ThreadState-appo:: Model $\Rightarrow$ CompId $\Rightarrow$ ('a PortState) $\Rightarrow$ bool where wf-ThreadState-appo m c ps $\equiv$ wf-PortState ps {p . isOutCIDPID m c p} <b>definition</b> wf-ThreadState-info:: Model $\Rightarrow$ CompId $\Rightarrow$ ('a PortState) $\Rightarrow$ bool where wf-ThreadState-info m c ps $\equiv$ wf-PortState ps {p . isOutCIDPID m c p}

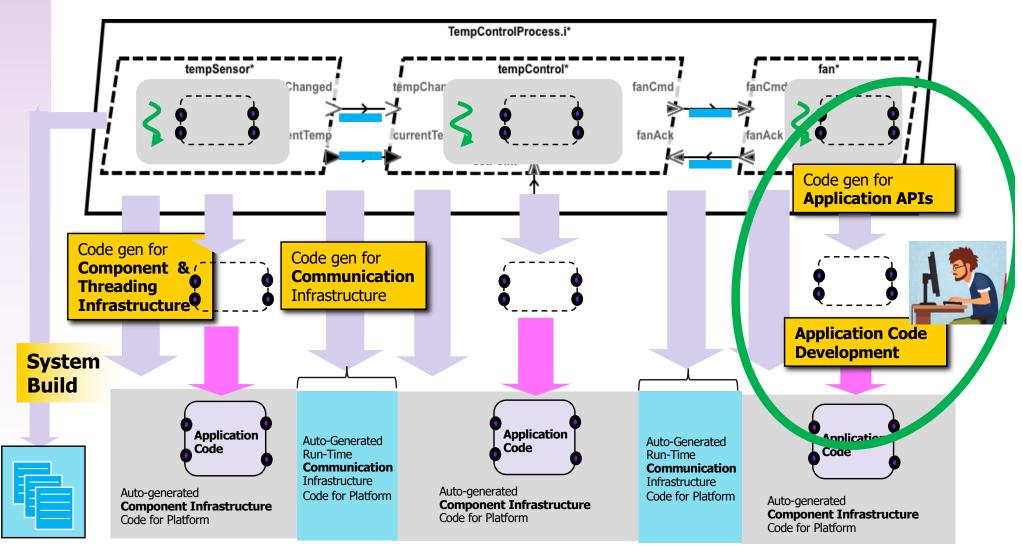
Note limited scope; HAMR subset of AADL/SysMLv2; run-time semantics; connection to code generator by manual inspection

# **HAMR Code Generation**

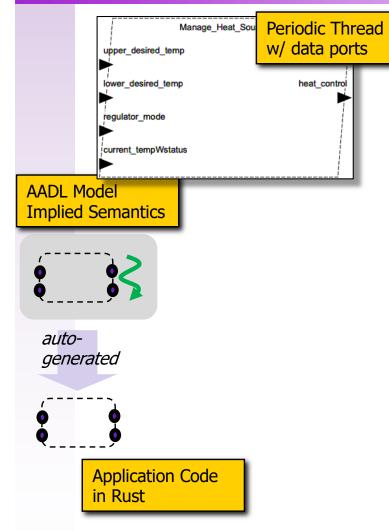


Platform configuration information

# **HAMR Code Generation**

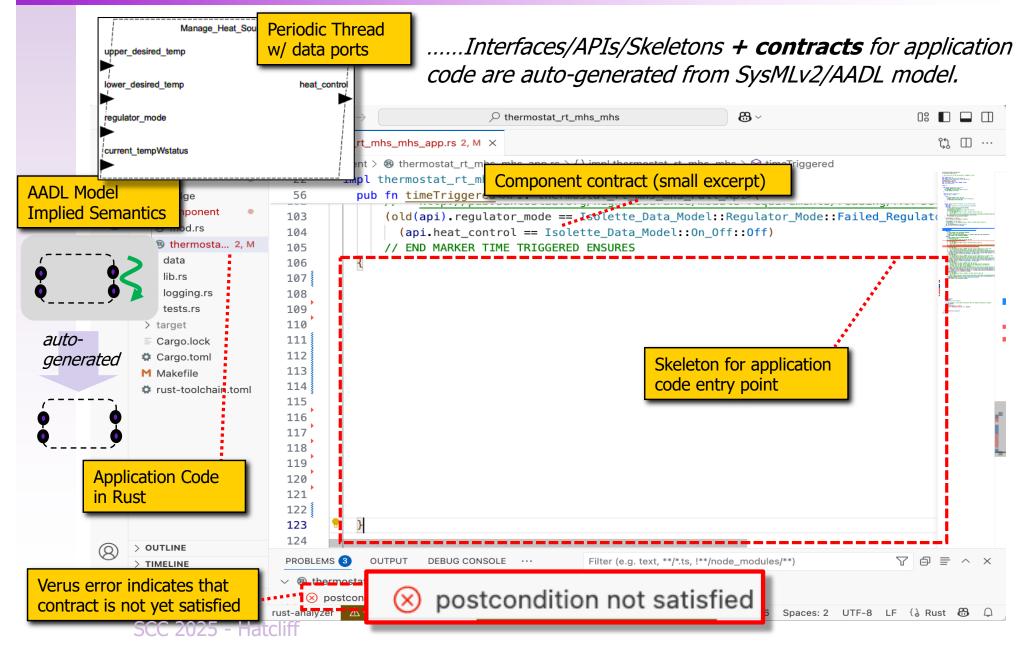


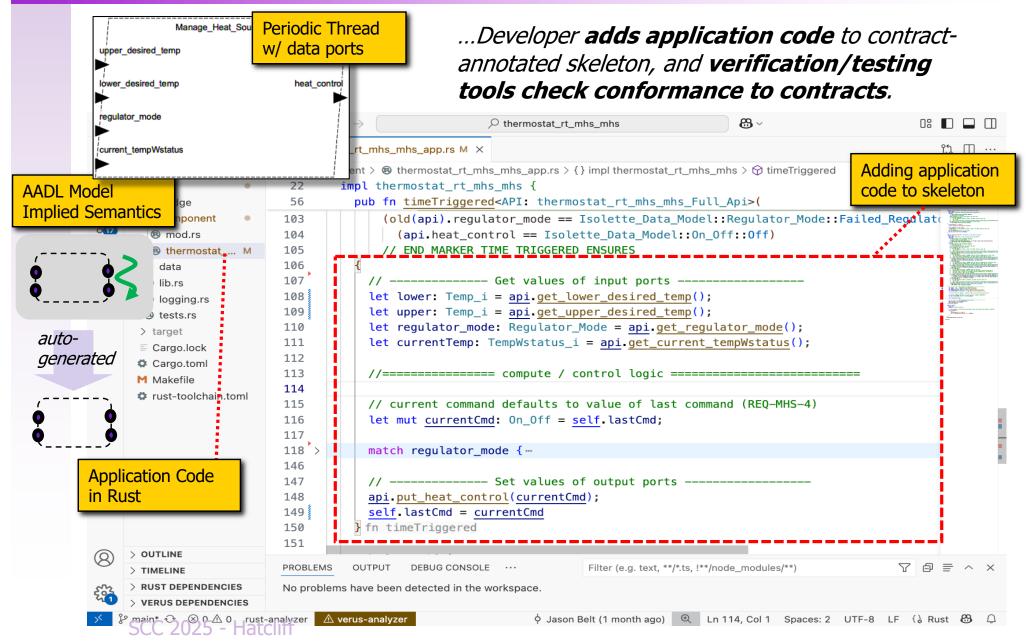
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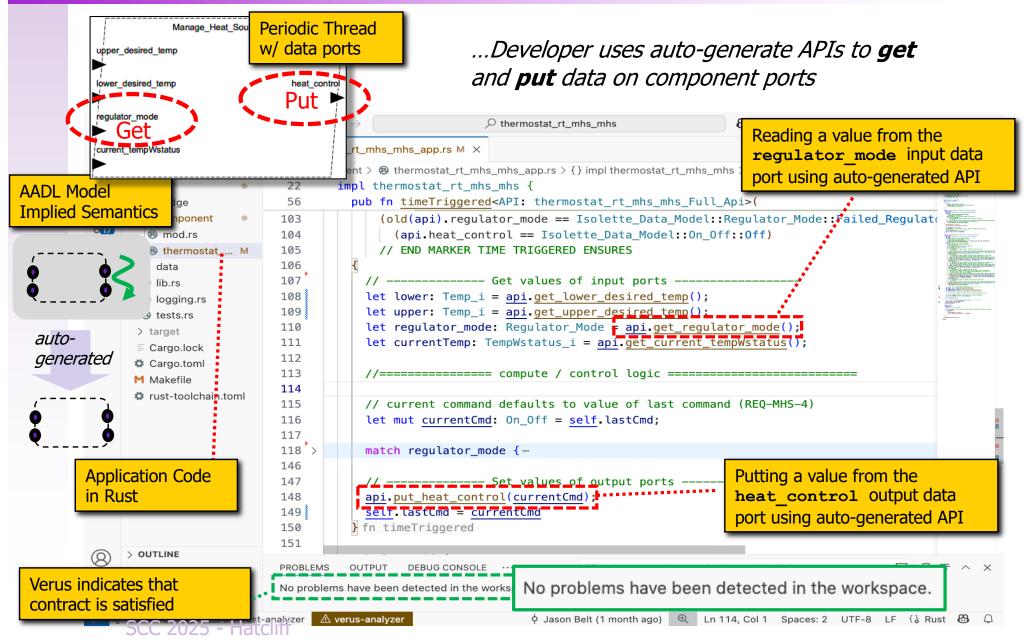


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.....Interfaces/APIs/Skeletons + contracts for application code are auto-generated from SysMLv2/AADL model.

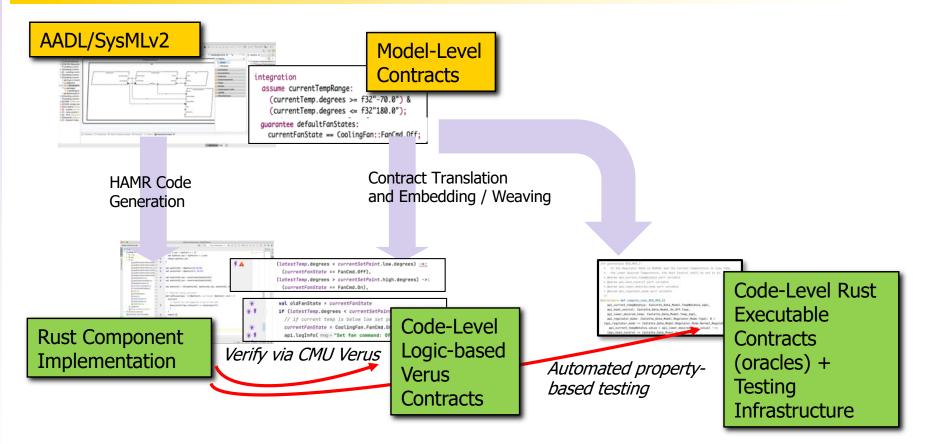






#### Integrated Model/Code Contracts

Extend existing Slang-based framework to support Rust.



### Automatically Embedded Rust/Verus Logical Contracts

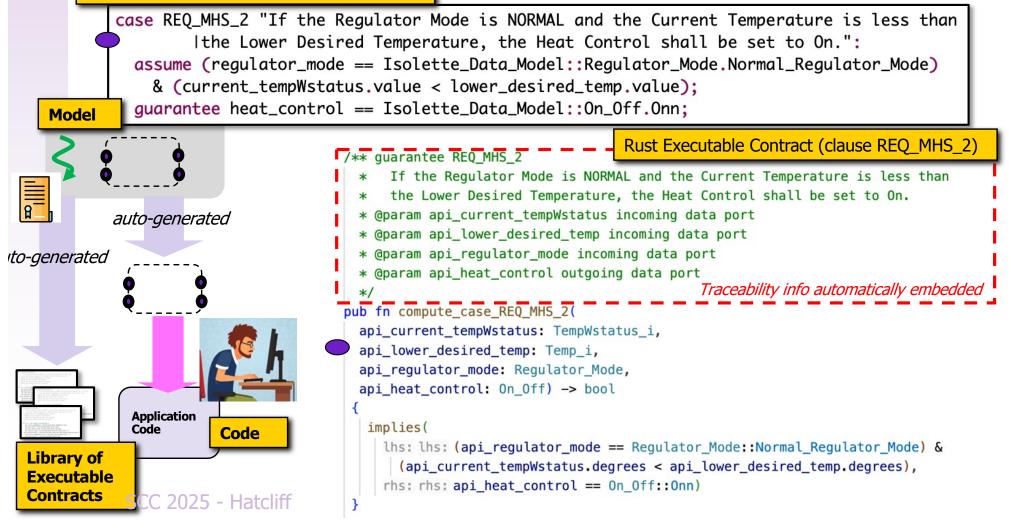
Verification of Rust application code against contracts using Verus (excerpts)

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# **Manage Heat Source Contracts**

Each clause in **model-level** GUMBO contracts is translated to a **code-level** Boolean function in Rust that works on the appropriate port/thread state elements

#### AADL GUMBO Contract (clause REQ\_MHS\_2)



# Manage Heat Source Contracts

Complete Model-level GUMBO contracts are translated to a hierarchy of executable Boolean functions in Rust (code-level)

Code generation weaves together

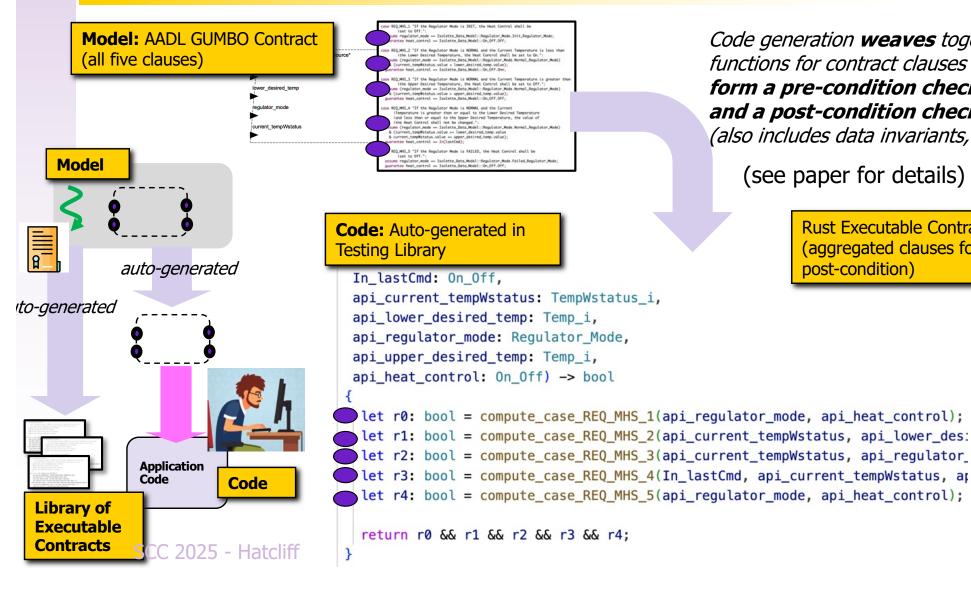
functions for contract clauses to form a pre-condition checker and a post-condition checker (also includes data invariants, etc.).

(see paper for details)

post-condition)

**Rust Executable Contract** 

(aggregated clauses for



# Demo

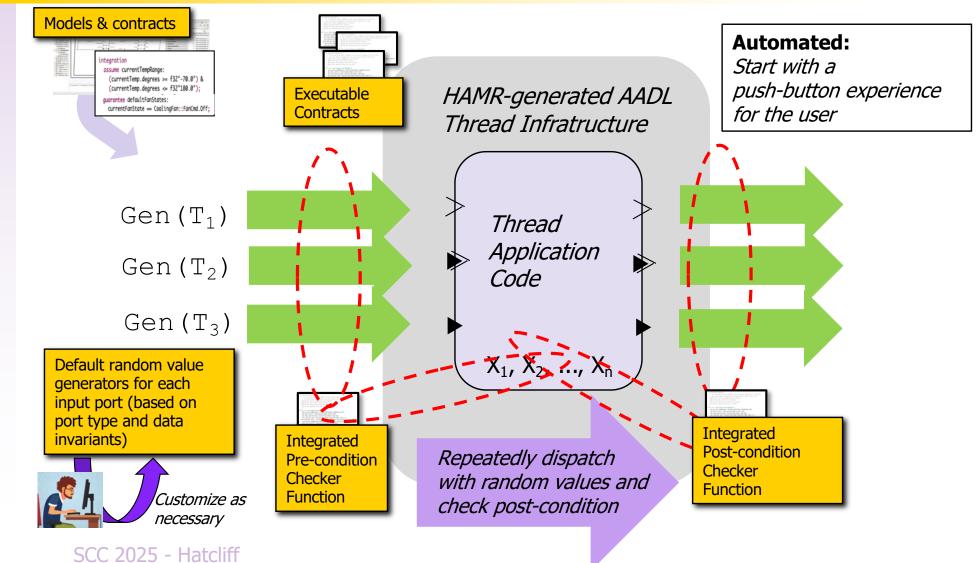
#### Verification against contracts using Verus verification tool...

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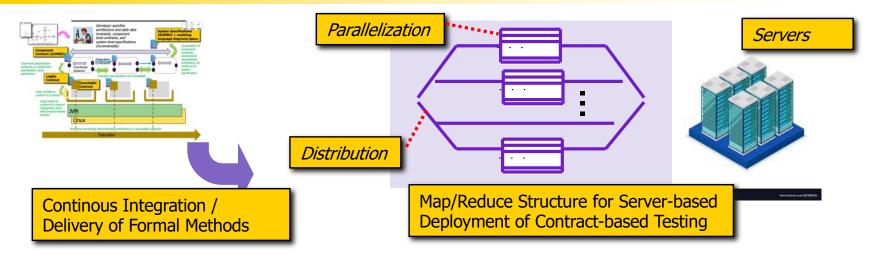
### Auto-Generated Property-based Testing Harness

For every thread component, HAMR auto-generates property-based testing infrastructure for inserting values into component input ports and for checking values of output ports.



#### Scaling Up - Property-based Testing Server-Based Deployment

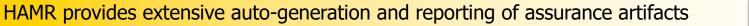
For Slang property-based testing, HAMR generates a server-based deployment to run the framework in a distributed/parallel fashion...

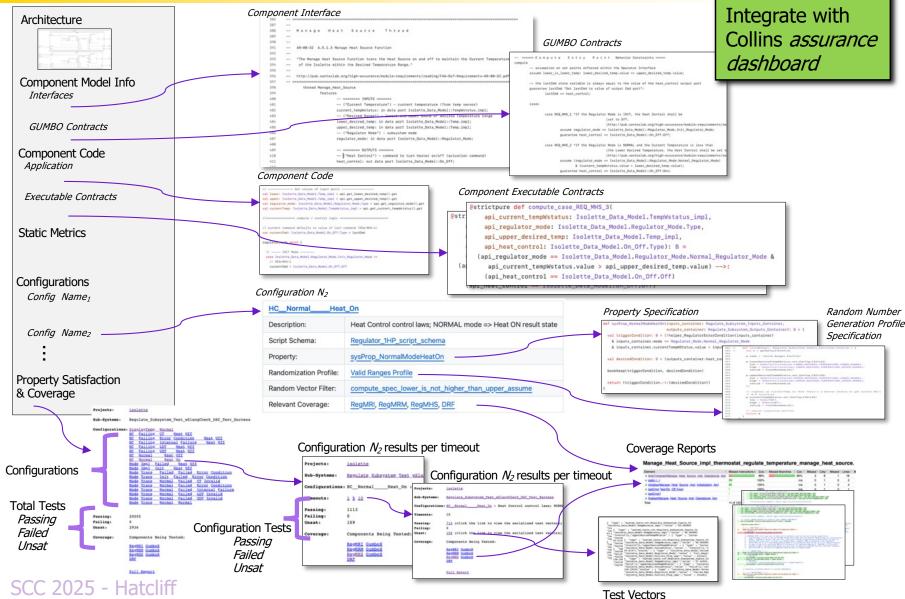


- Random generators and contract-based tests are farmed out to a configurable family of servers
- Test vectors and results are serialized for flexible deployment, reporting, and replay of the tests
- Currently hosted using our Jenkins setup, but easy for HAMR to automatically generate deployment scripts, e.g., for AWS, in the future

# **Extensive Assurance Artifacts**

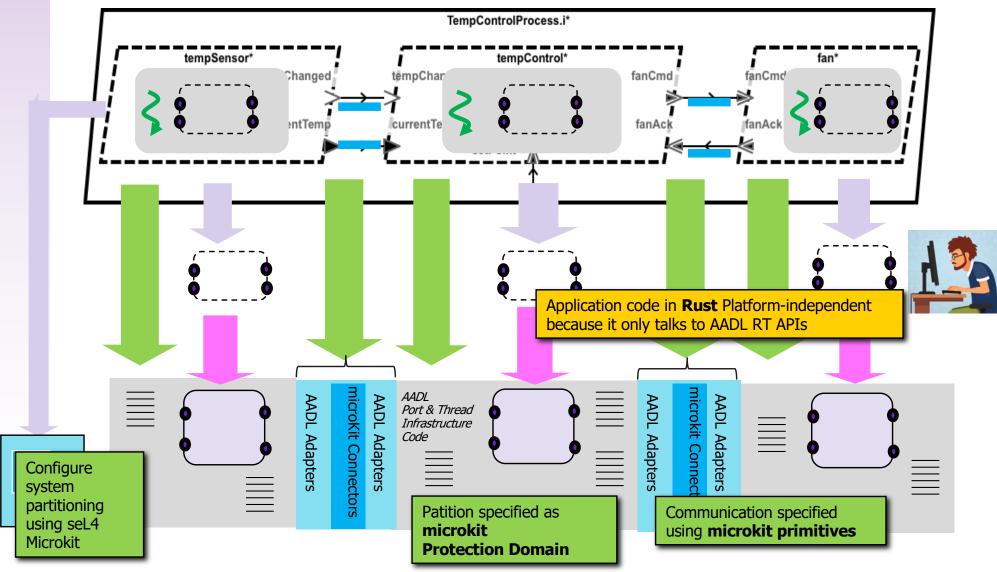
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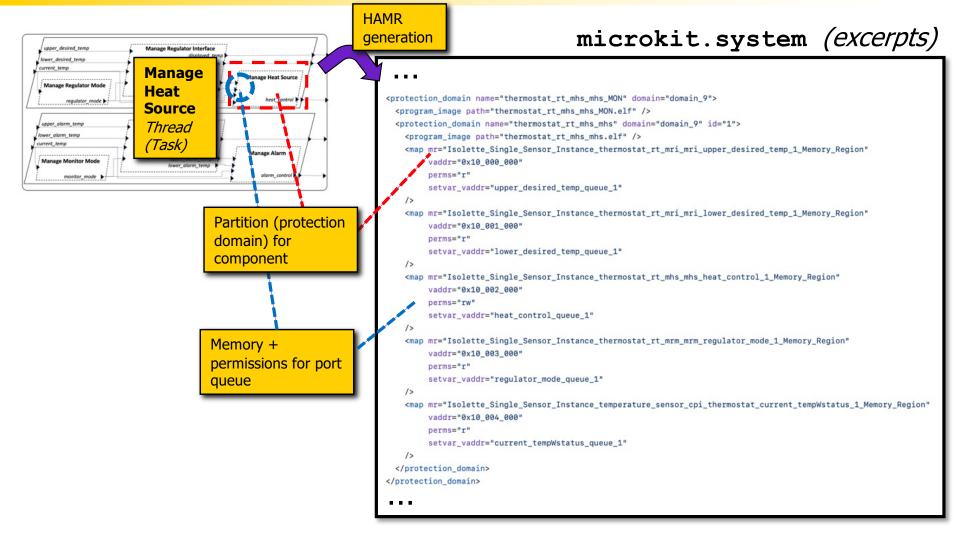
### HAMR Code Generation seL4 Platform

HAMR instantiation for Rust - based development on SeL4 microkernel using seL4 microKit



# Microkit Kernel Configuration (excepts)

HAMR auto-generated platform artifacts for seL4 include microKit system description file (XML) that specifies the configuration of kernel partitions, allowed communication pathways, resource allocation, etc.



# Conclusion

- Protect critical systems from malicious attacks using verified micro-kernels
- Automate and control the development process using a modelbased development approach
- Provide a multi-level contract framework that supports seamless transition between automated testing and verification
- Models as sound/faithful abstractions of deployed systems support understanding, simplify development, provide basis for many forms of analysis
- Semantic foundation (e.g., Isabelle formalization) and abstraction layers in run-time architecture enables new backends to be added while achieving consistent semantics
- Integrated assurance case generation framework





#### Sireum HAMR

High Assurance Model-based Rapid Engineering of Embedded Systems

Publicly available tool: http://hamr.sireum.org

Resources on HAMR web site

- Distribution available for Windows, Linux, and Mac (also virtualized) <u>hamr.sireum.org</u>
- Documentation, examples, and tutorial material for HAMR
- Educational resources -- slides, recorded lectures, and guided exercises for HAMR Slang back end



 Online resources for Isolette artifacts