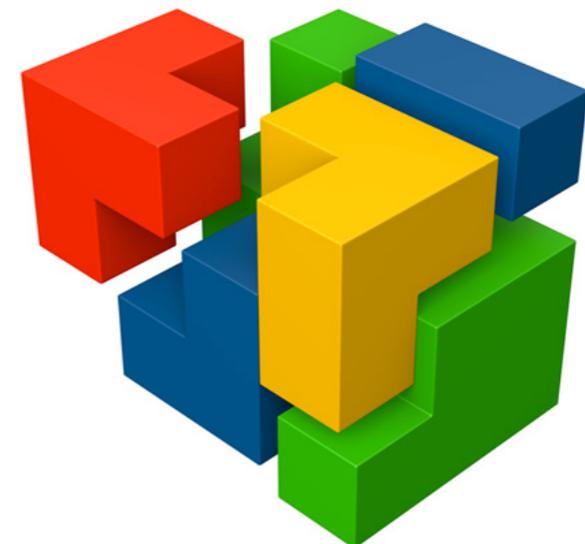


Rigorous Component- Based Design in BIP

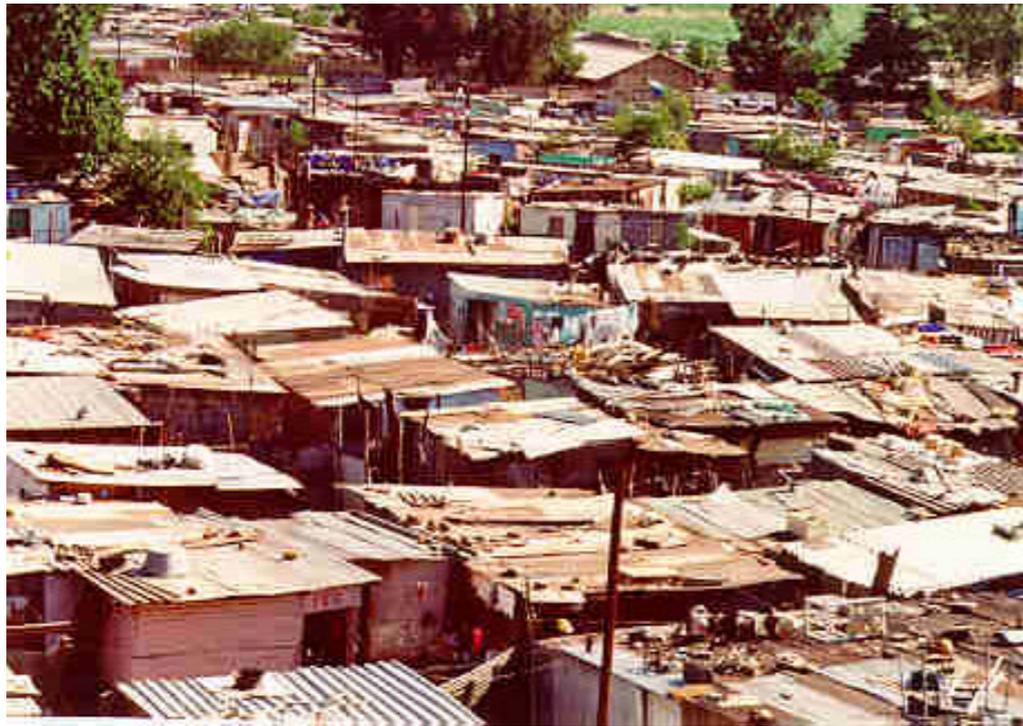
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Component-based engineering

- Systems are not built from scratch
- Right level of abstraction for:
 - composition
 - reuse of building blocks
 - analysis
 - guarantee properties by construction



Two main approaches



Architecture-agnostic



Architecture-based

Architecture-agnostic approach

Coordination primitives are mixed-up with functional behaviour

Producer-Consumer system

Consumer

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17      try {
18          while (this.commandList.isEmpty()) {
19              this.notEmpty.await();
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22          this.notFull.signal();
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24      } catch (InterruptedException e) {
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Often results in software that is hard to analyse and maintain

Architecture-based approach

Coordination defined independently from functional behaviour

Producer-Consumer design pattern

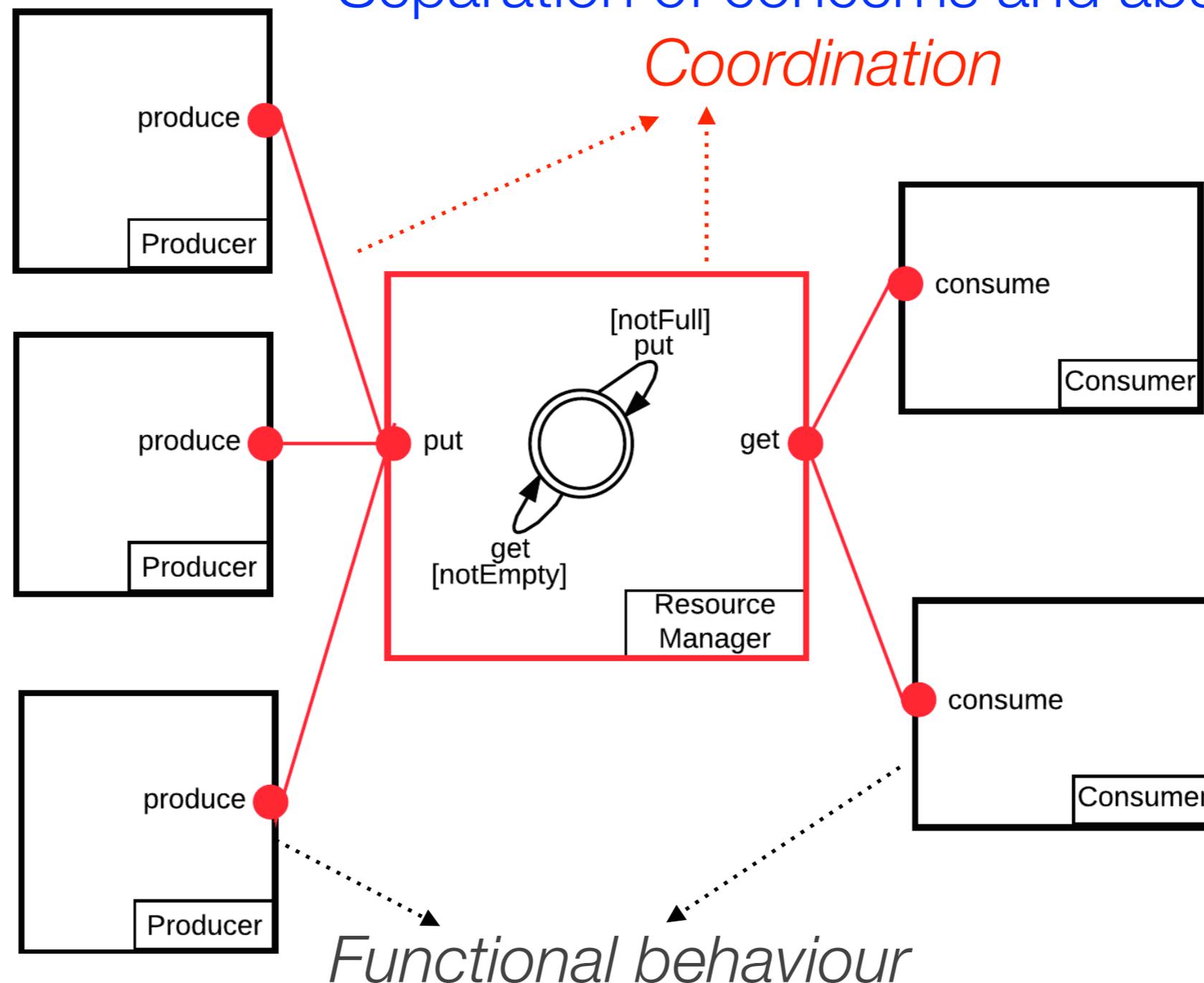
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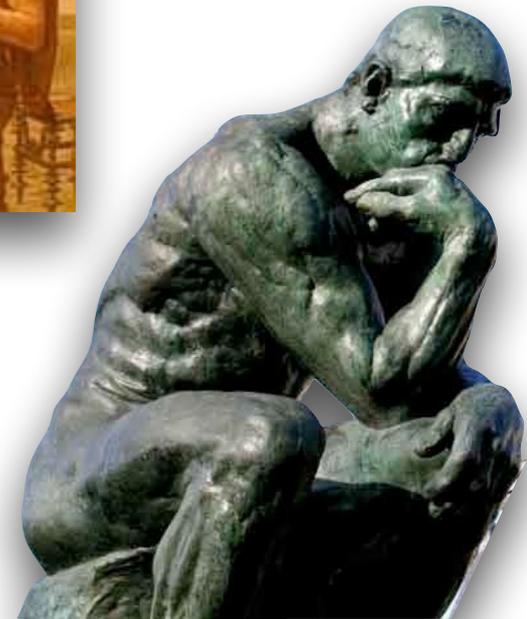
Shifts the focus of developers from low-level code to high-level structures

Separation of concerns and abstraction!

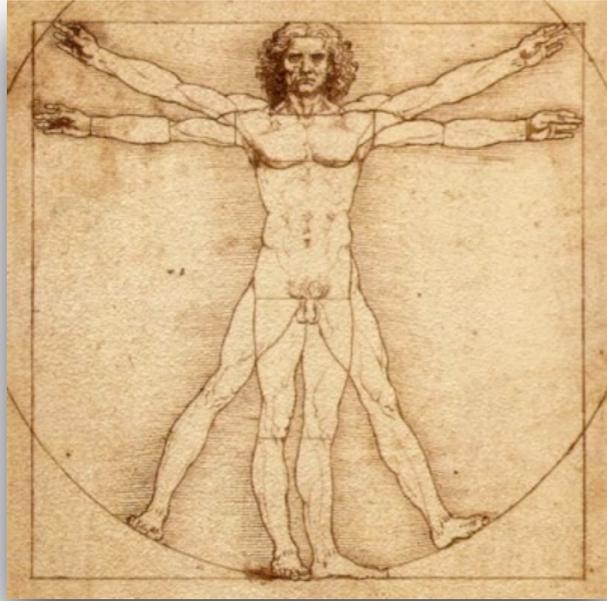


Objectives

- Manage system complexity
 - Raise the **abstraction** level
 - Expressive enough to avoid ad-hoc solutions
 - Simple enough to be acceptable by engineers
- Bridging the gap between models and code
 - Raising abstraction level increases the gap
 - Model and implementation must be equivalent
- Build solid and light-weight bridges

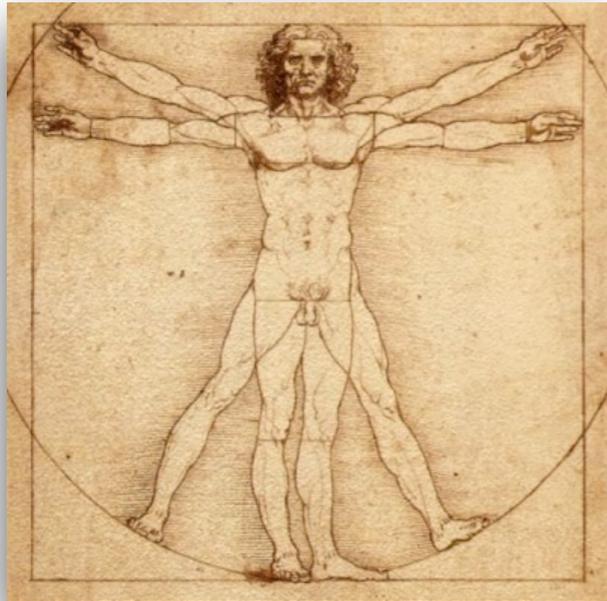


Unifying modelling formalism



- Solid:
 - Clearly established formal semantics
 - Encompassing heterogeneity
 - interaction,
 - execution
 - Proven code generation chain
- Light-weight:
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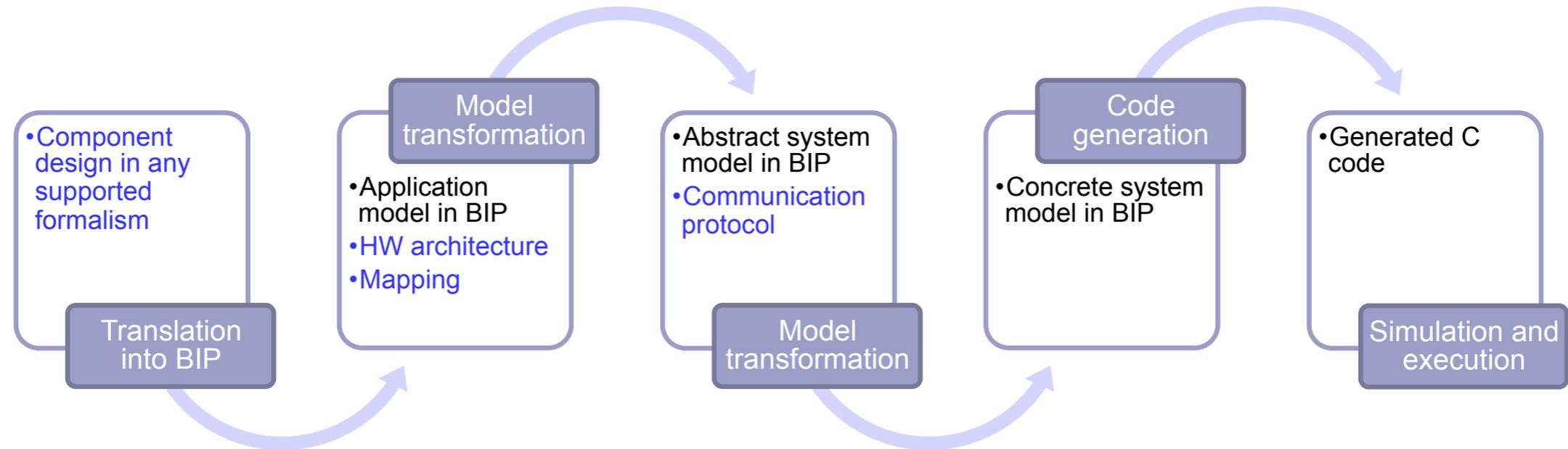
BIP (Behaviour-Interaction-Priority) is such a formalism



Rigorous system design

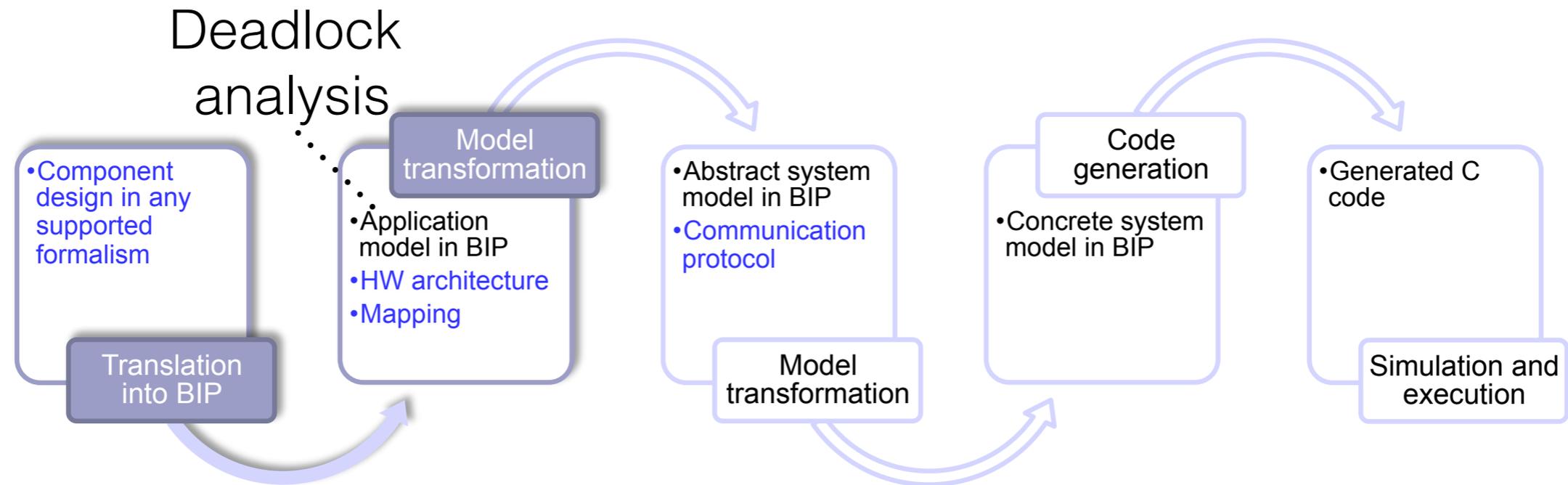
A sequence of semantics-preserving transformations

Rigorous system design



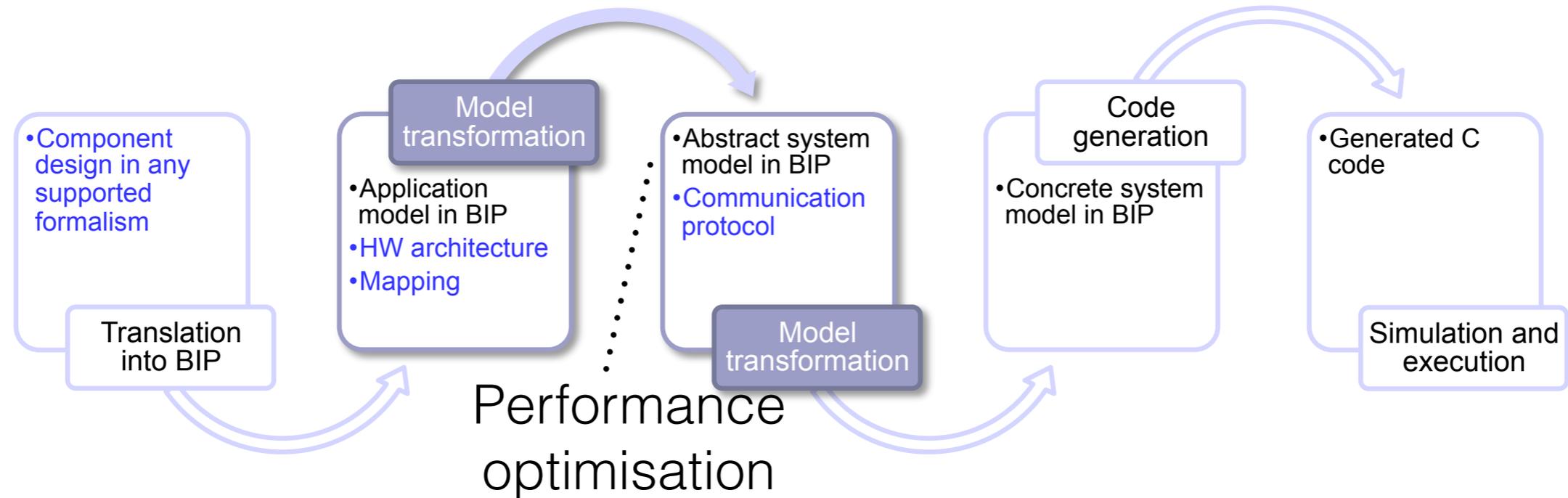
- Models progressively refined with new information
 - In **light blue** — provided by the designer
 - In **black** — generated by automatic transformation tools

Application model



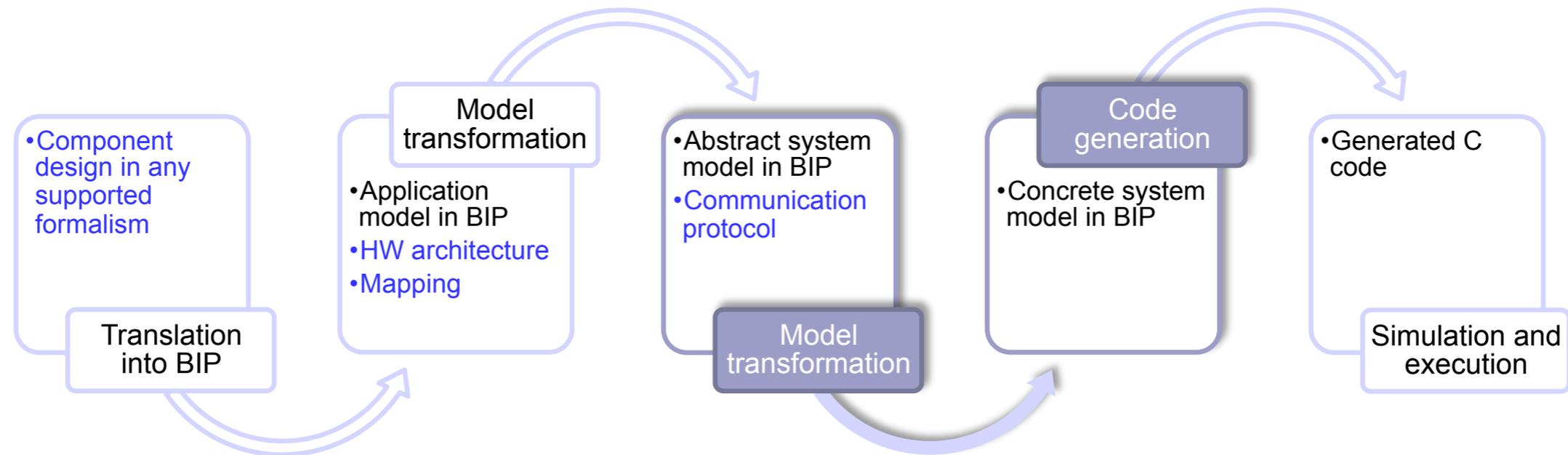
- Application model is designed directly in BIP or...
- ...using a language factory transformation from
 - C, AADL, NesC/TinyOS, Matlab/Simulink, Lustre, DOL, GeNoM
- Safety properties are verified on this model
 - Compositional and incremental deadlock detection

Abstract system model



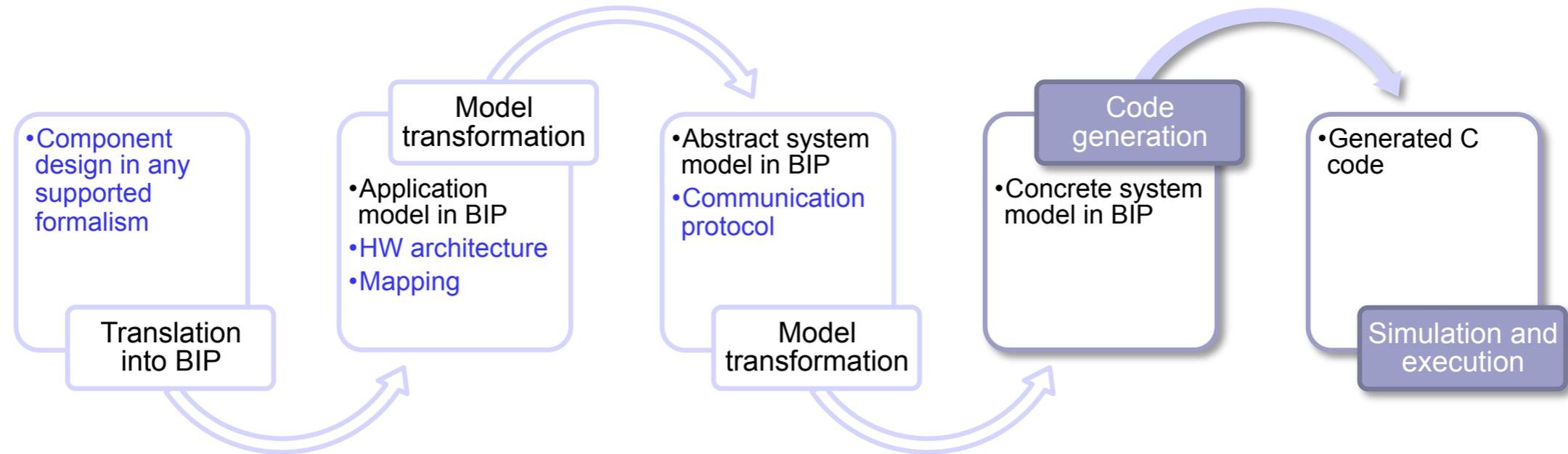
- Abstract system model is generated by a transformation using
 - The model of the target execution platform (processor(s), memory, etc.)
 - A mapping of atomic components to the processing units
- It takes in account
 - Hardware architecture constraints (e.g. mutual exclusion)
 - Execution times of atomic actions
 - Scheduling policies seeking optimal resource utilisation.

Concrete system model

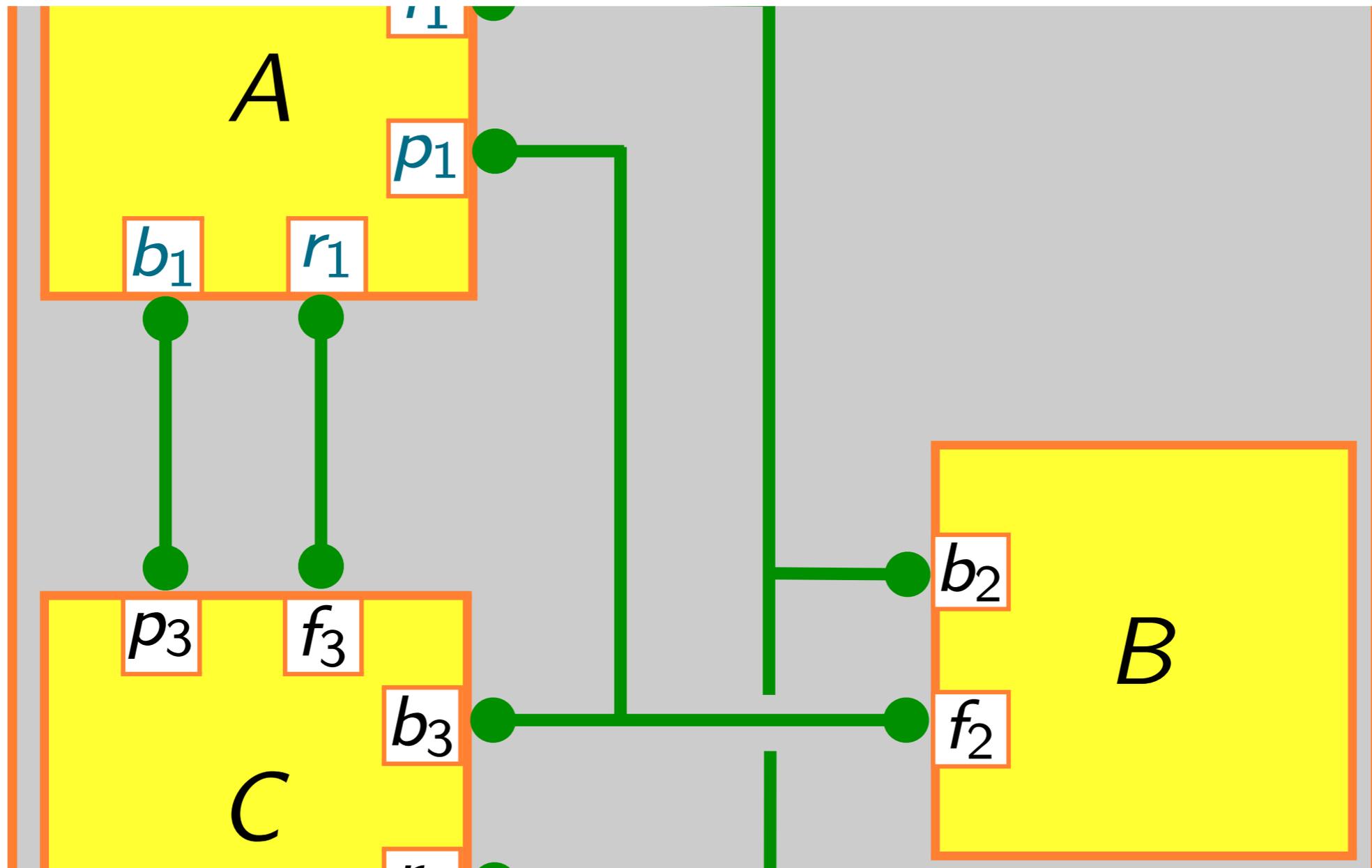


- Concrete system model is obtained by expressing high level BIP coordination mechanisms...
 - Atomic multiparty interactions
 - Priorities
- ...by using primitives of the execution platform
 - For example, protocols using asynchronous message passing

Code generation



- C++ code automatically generated
- Generated code is monolithic,
 - minimising the coordination overhead



The BIP framework

Operational semantics, engine-based execution, practical examples

Component-based design

- Three layers

- Component behaviour
- Coordination
- Data transfer

- Interesting results already at this abstraction level

- Detection of synchronisation deadlocks

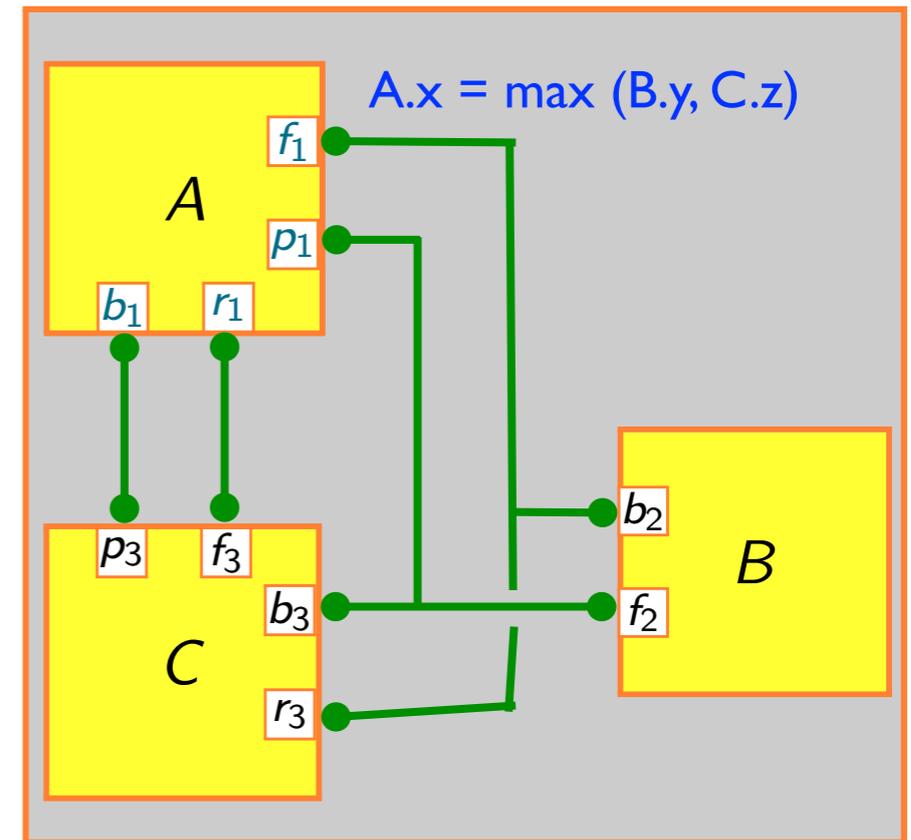
S. Bensalem, M. Bozga, J. Sifakis, T.-H. Nguyen.

DFinder: A Tool for Compositional Deadlock Detection and Verification [CAV'09]

- Synthesis of glue for safety properties

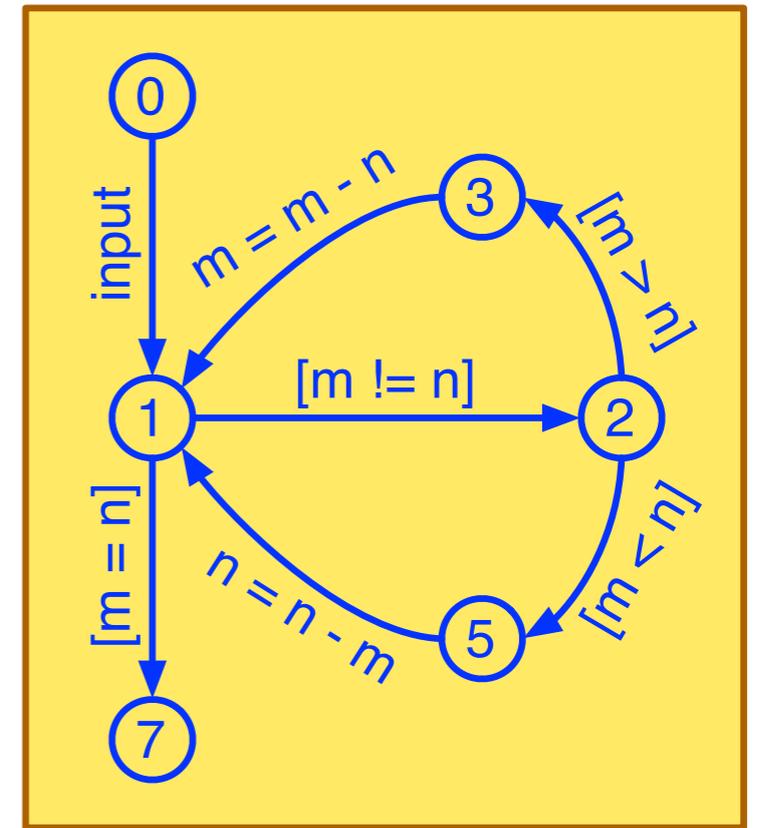
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Synthesizing Glue Operators from Glue Constraints for the Construction of Component-Based Systems [SC'11]



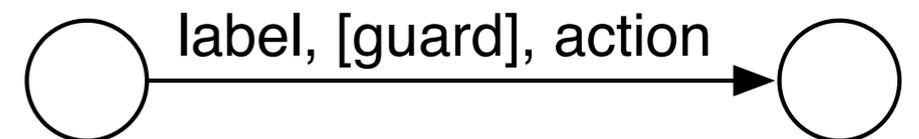
Components

```
0: input (m, n > 0);  
1: while (m != n) {  
2:   if (m > n)  
3:     m = m - n;  
4:   else // m < n  
5:     n = n - m;  
6: }  
7: // m = n = gcd(m, n)
```

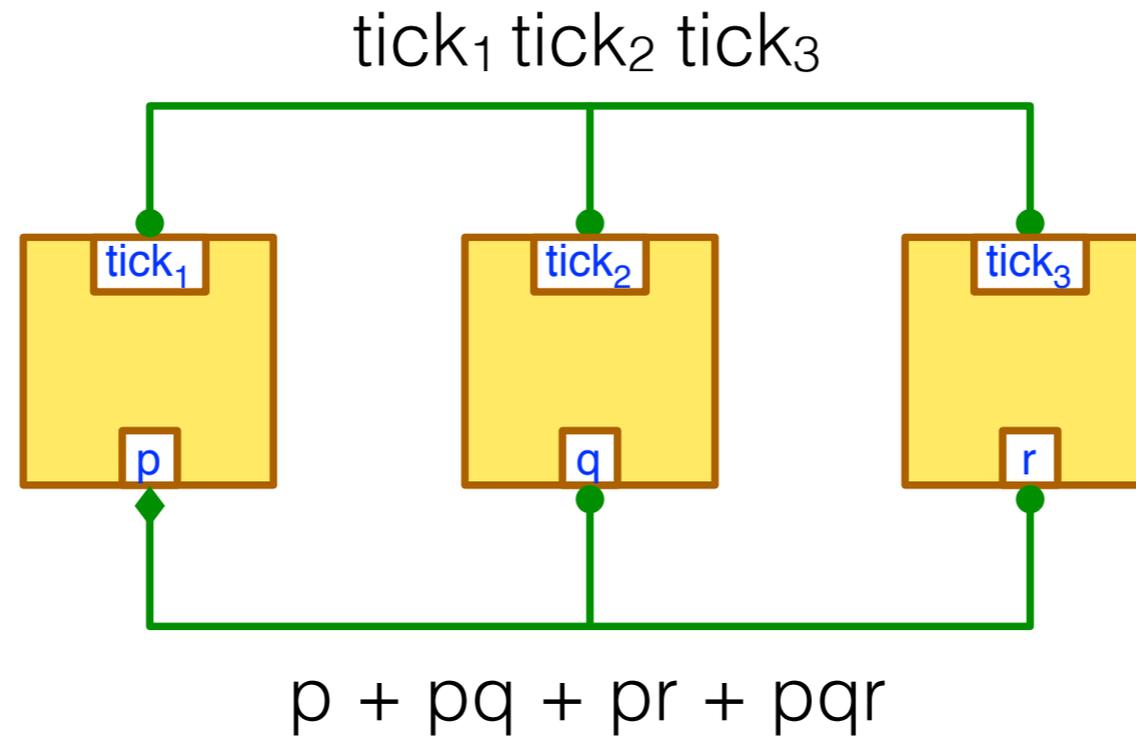


- Taking a transition

1. is allowed if the guard evaluates to true
2. executes the action
3. updates current state

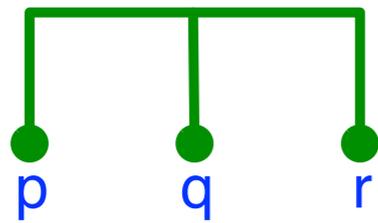


Connectors

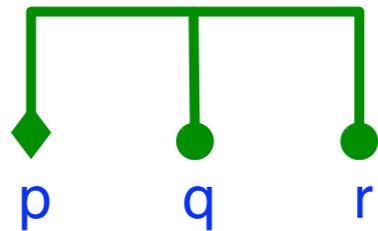


- *Connectors* are tree-like structures
 - ports as leaves and nodes of two types
 - *Triggers* (diamonds) — nodes that can “initiate” an interaction
 - *Synchrons* (bullets) — nodes that can only “join” an interaction initiated by others

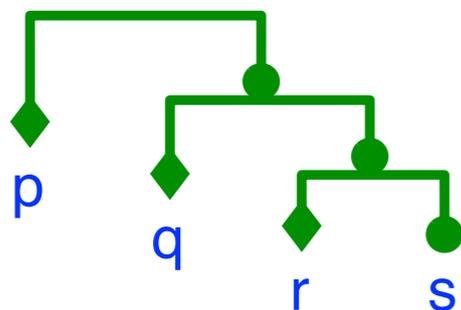
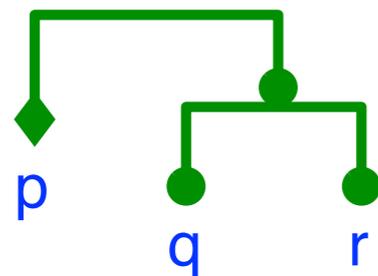
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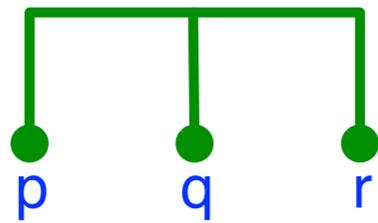
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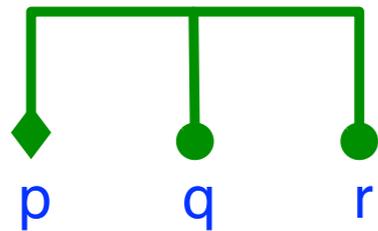
Broadcast: $p + pq + pr + pqr$



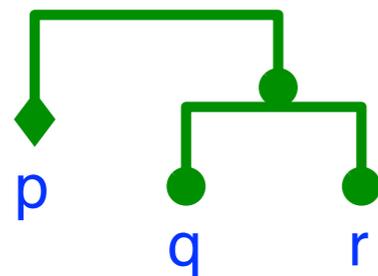
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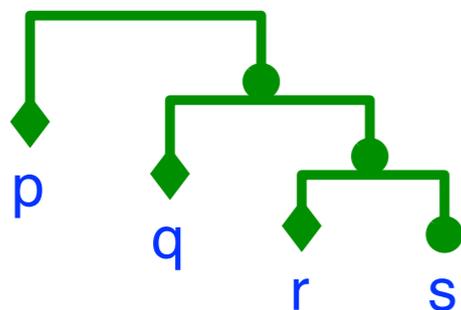
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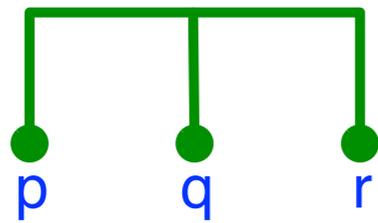
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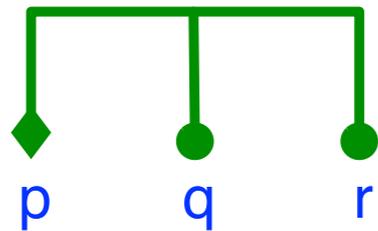
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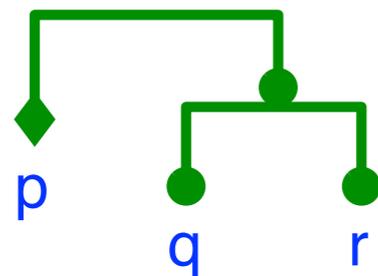
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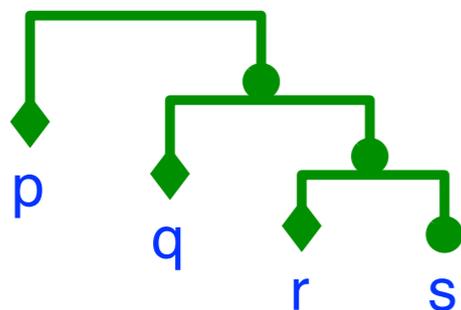
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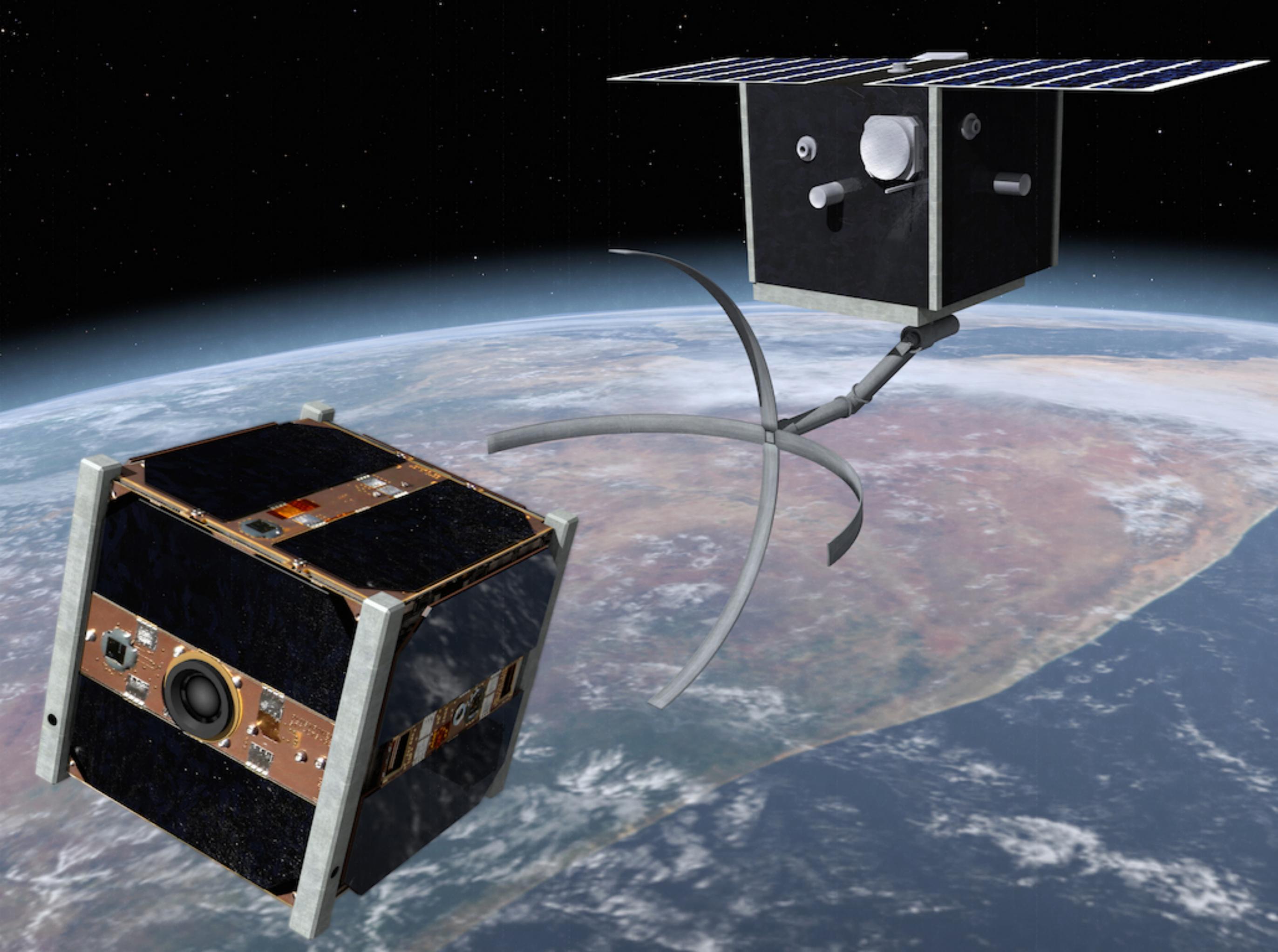
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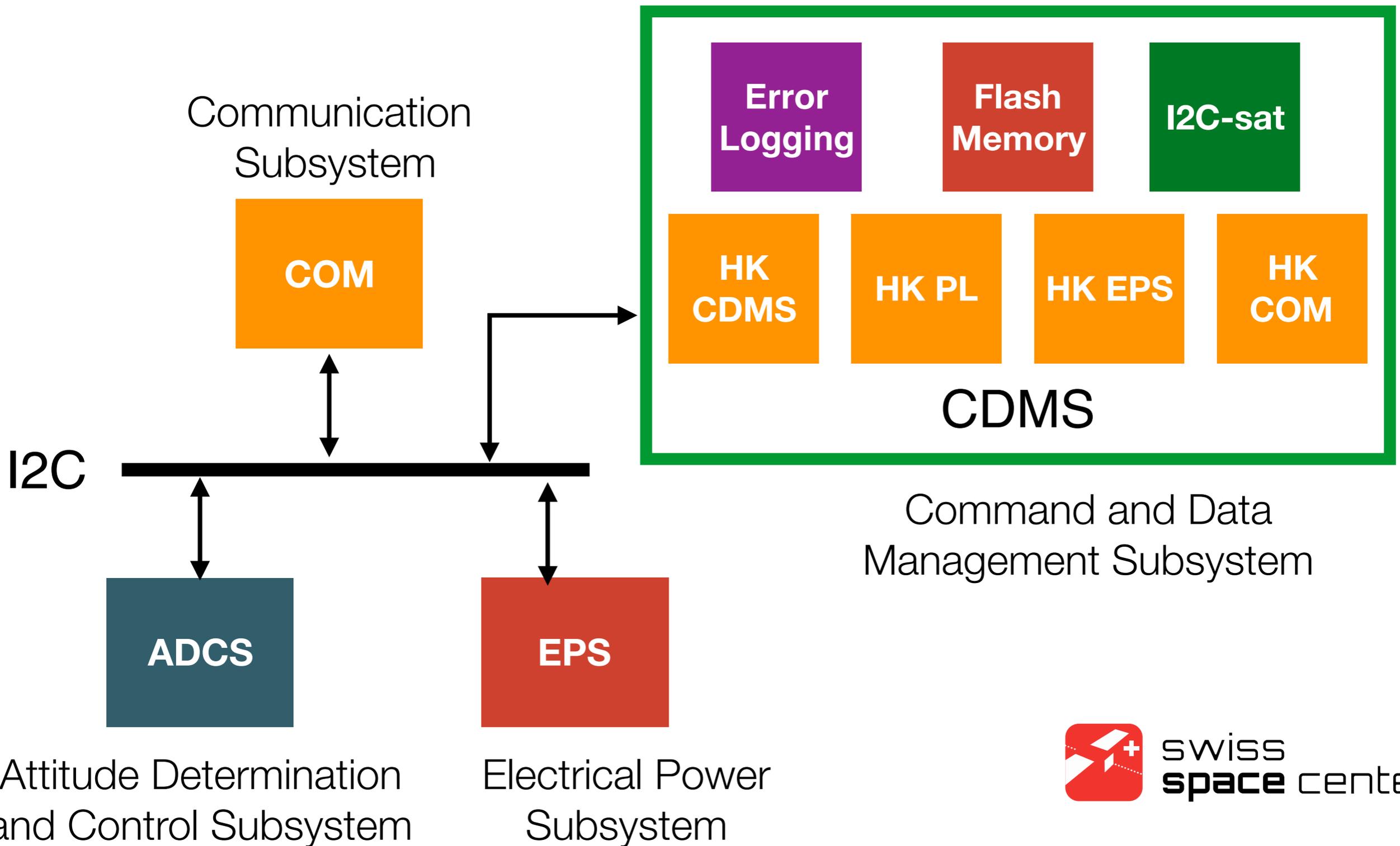
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Causal chain: $p + pq + pqr + pqrs$

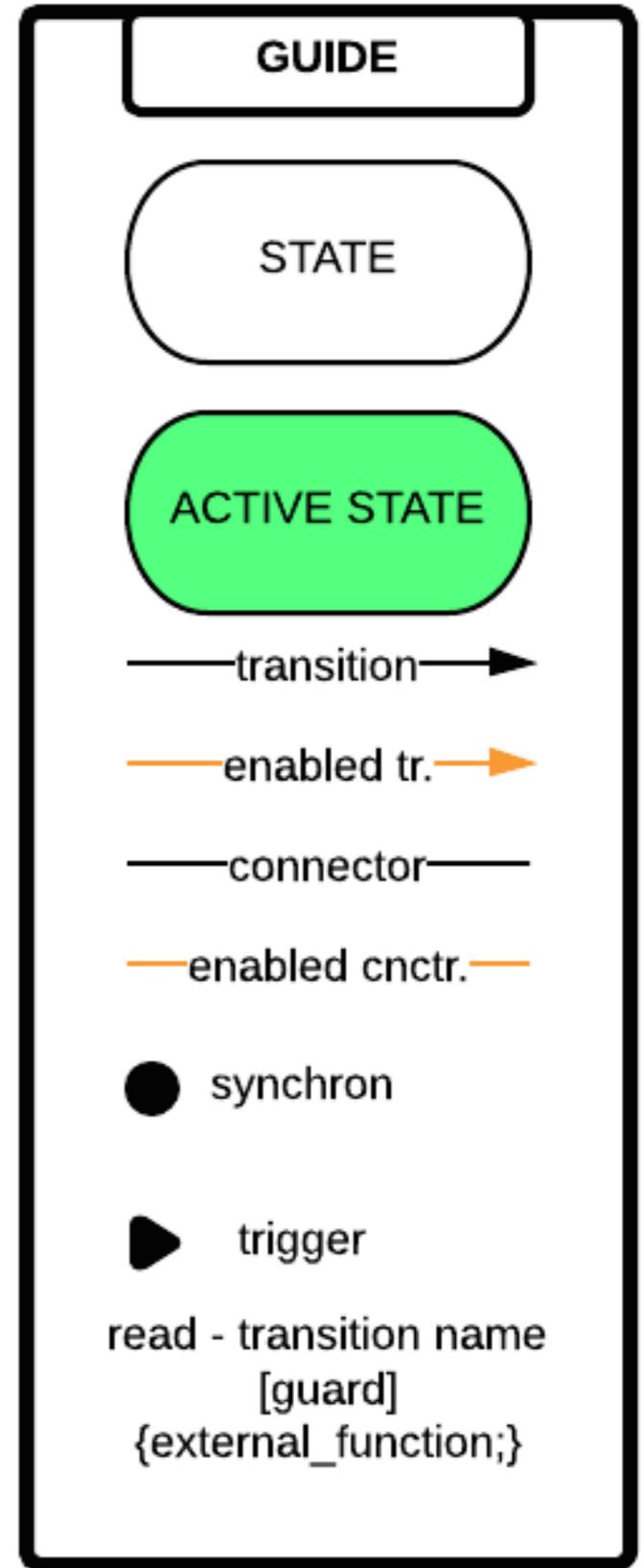
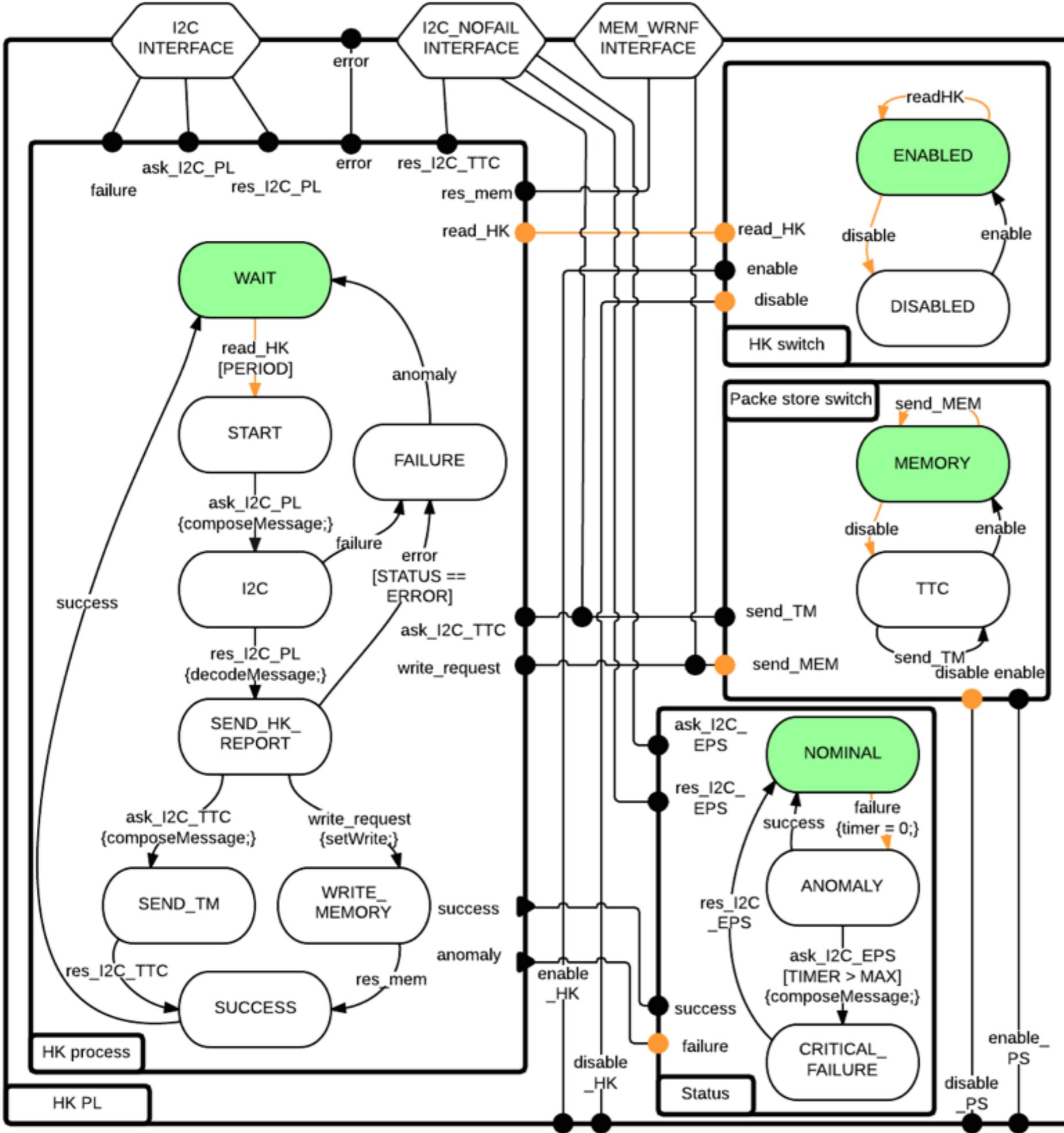


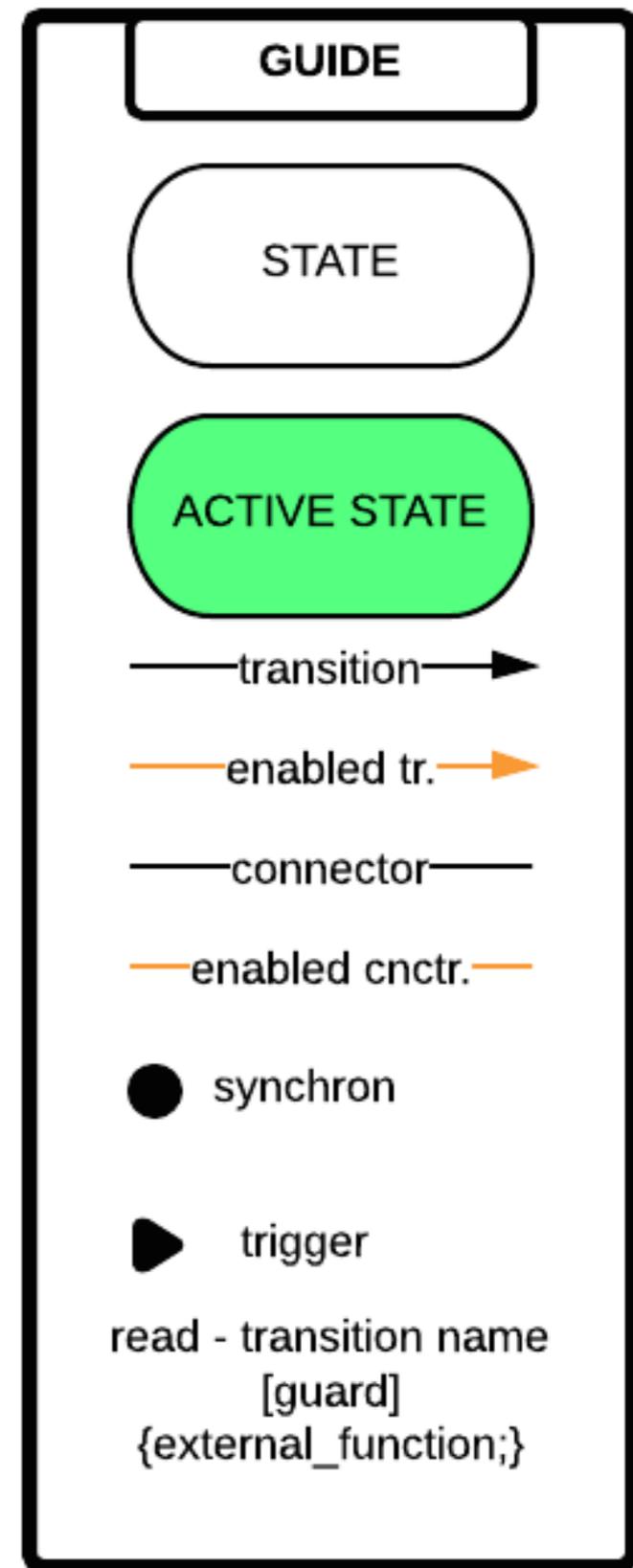
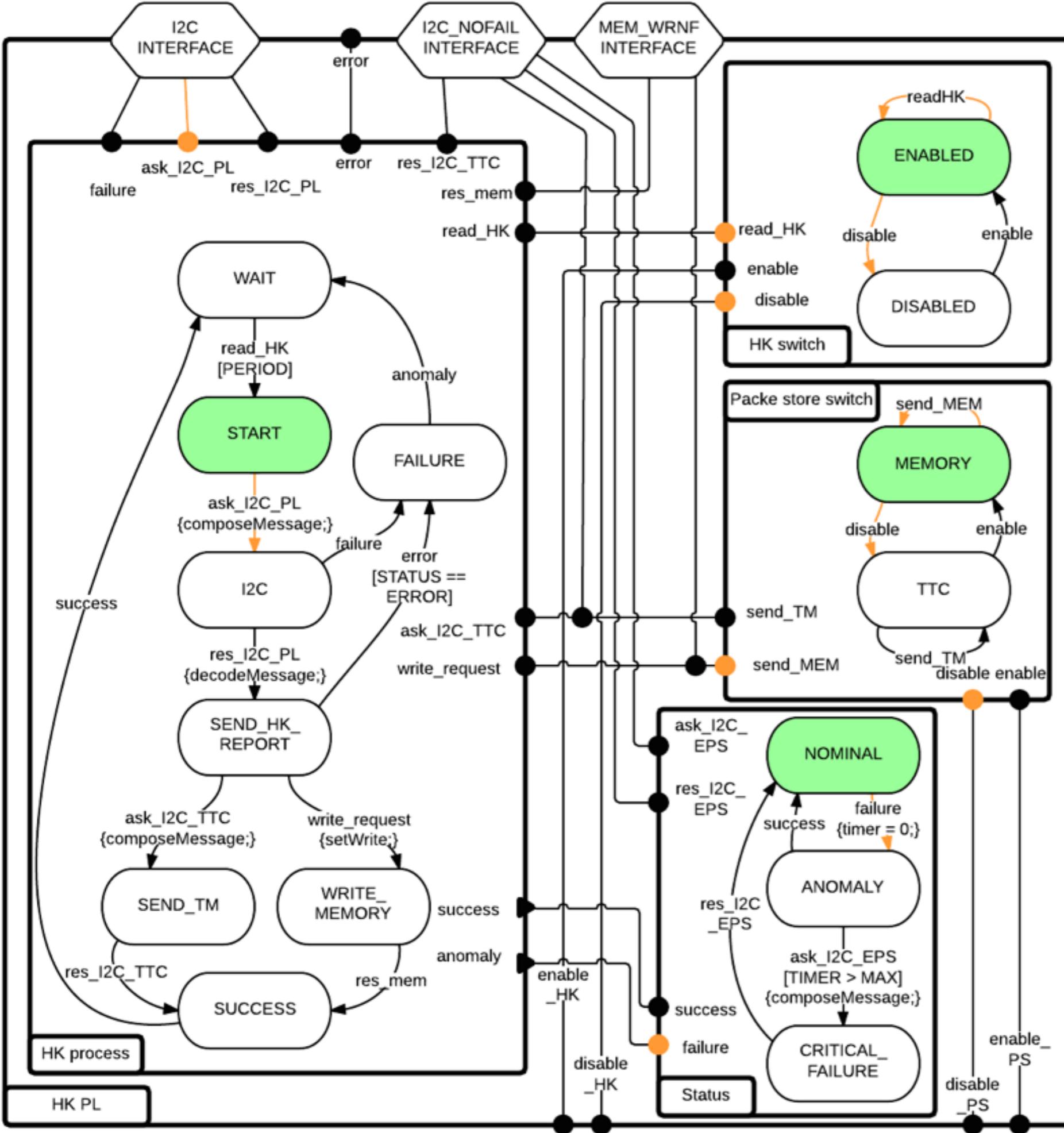
Practical example

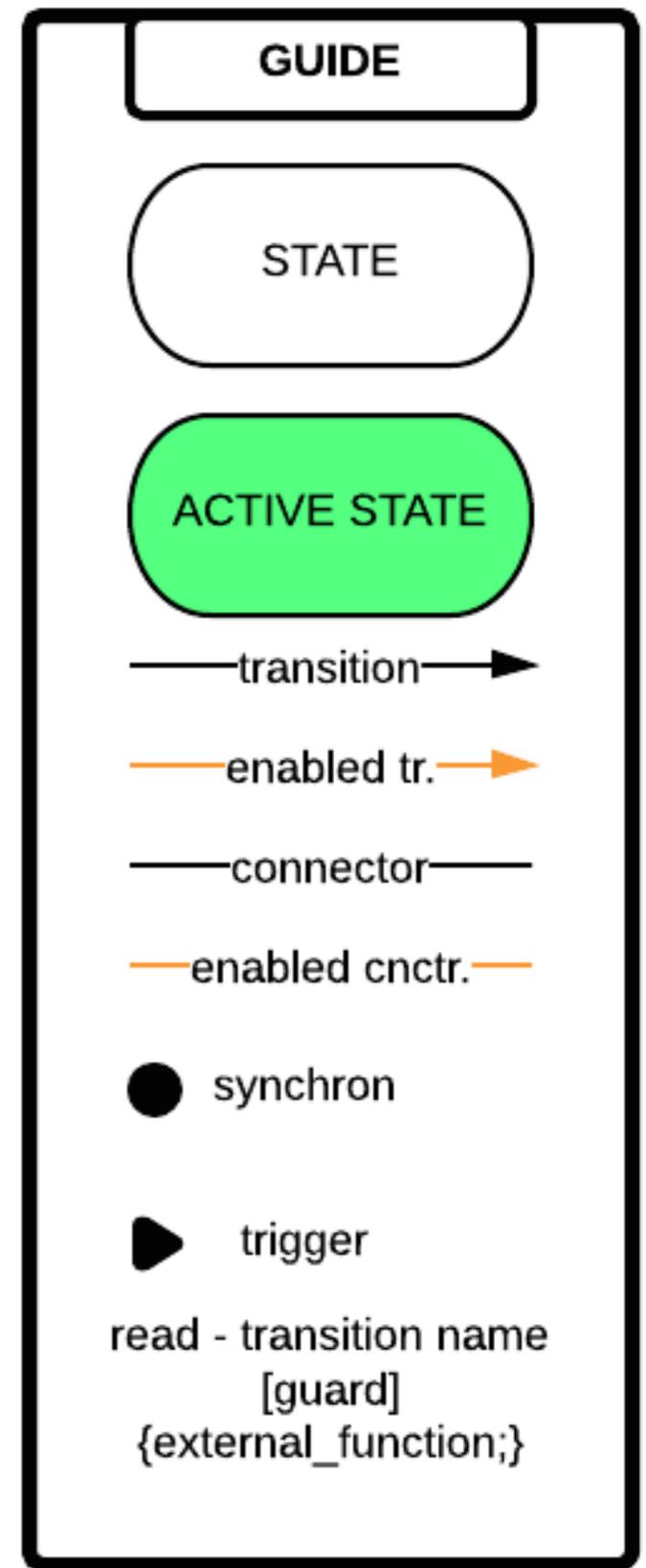
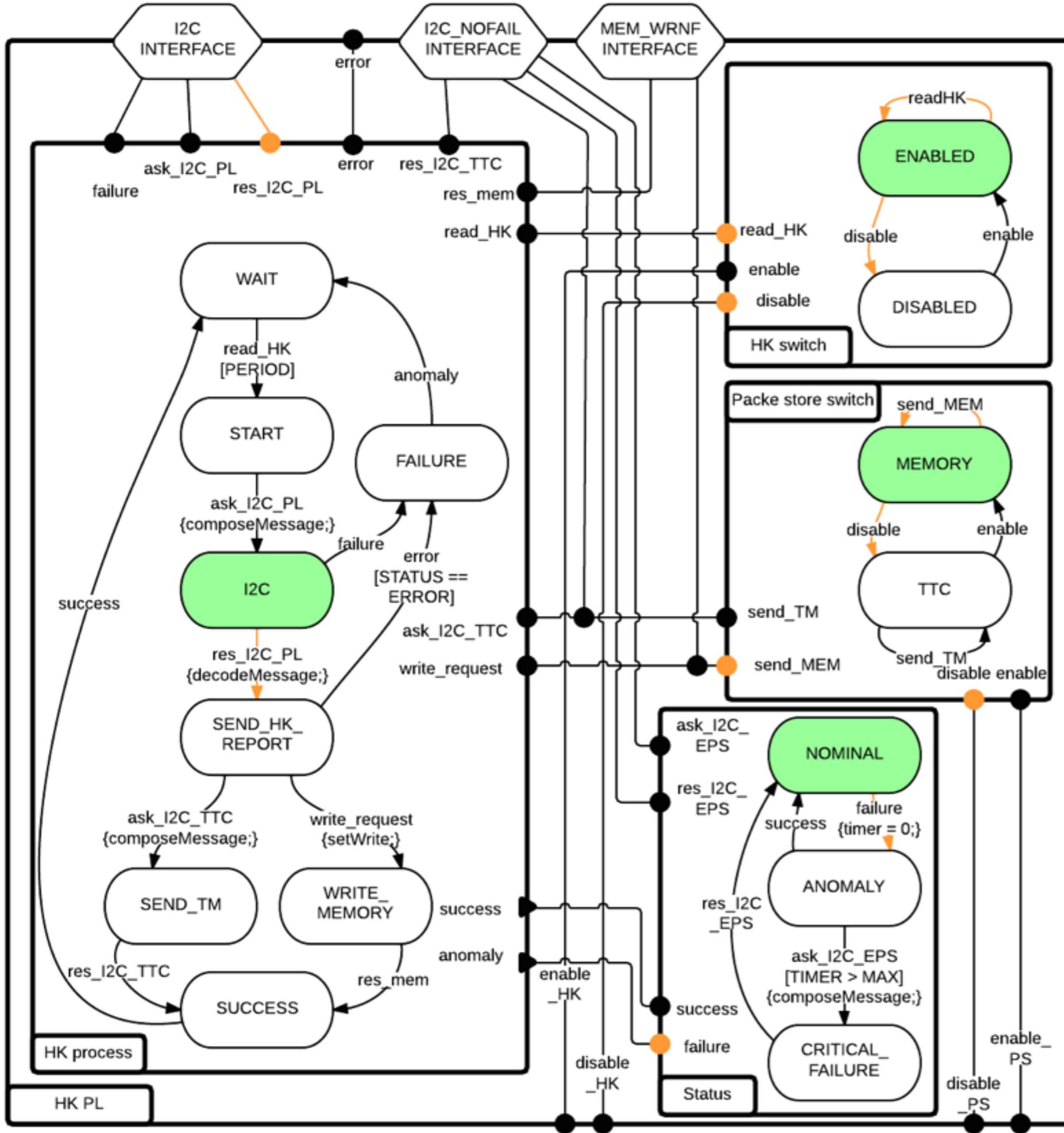


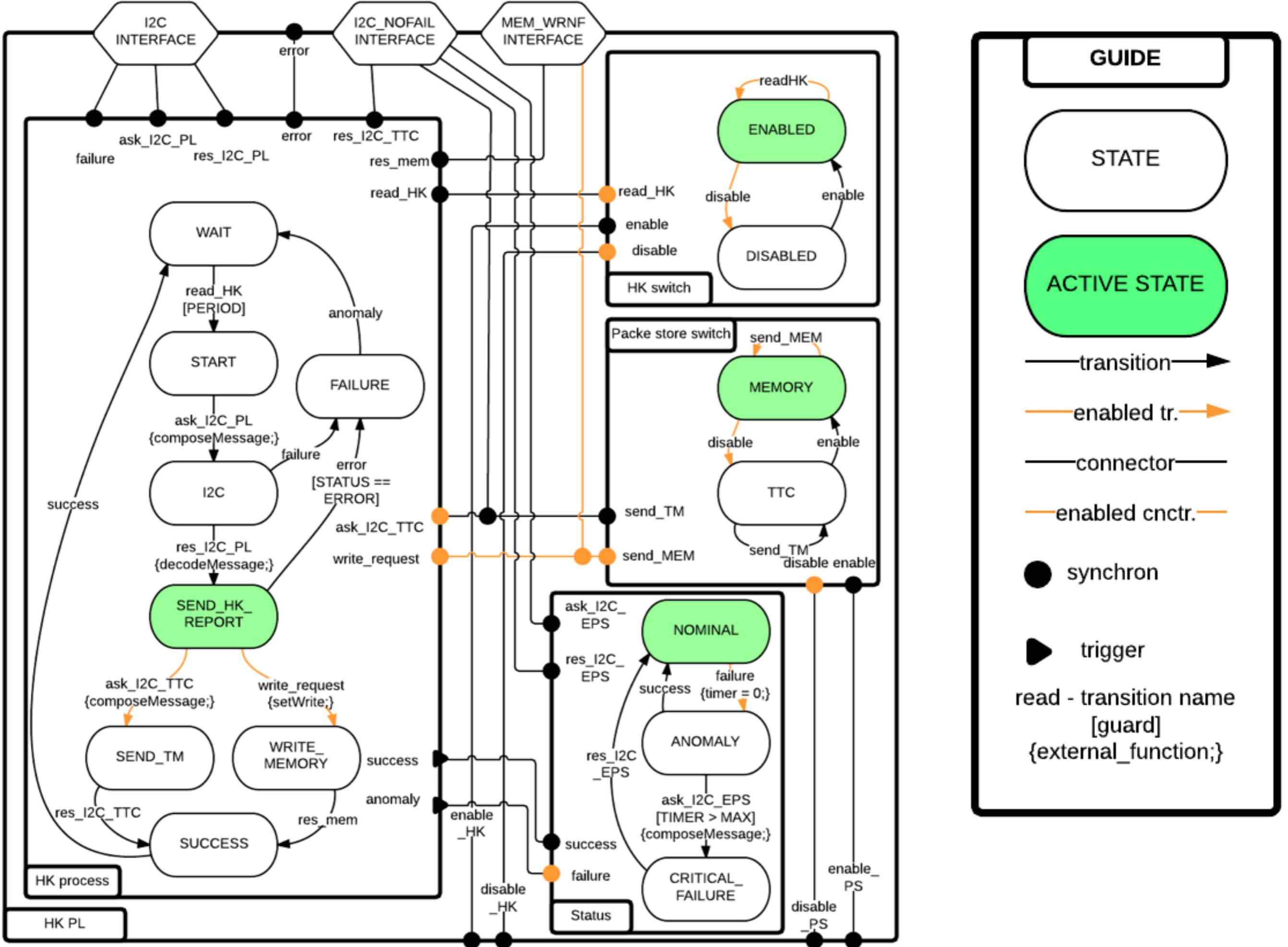
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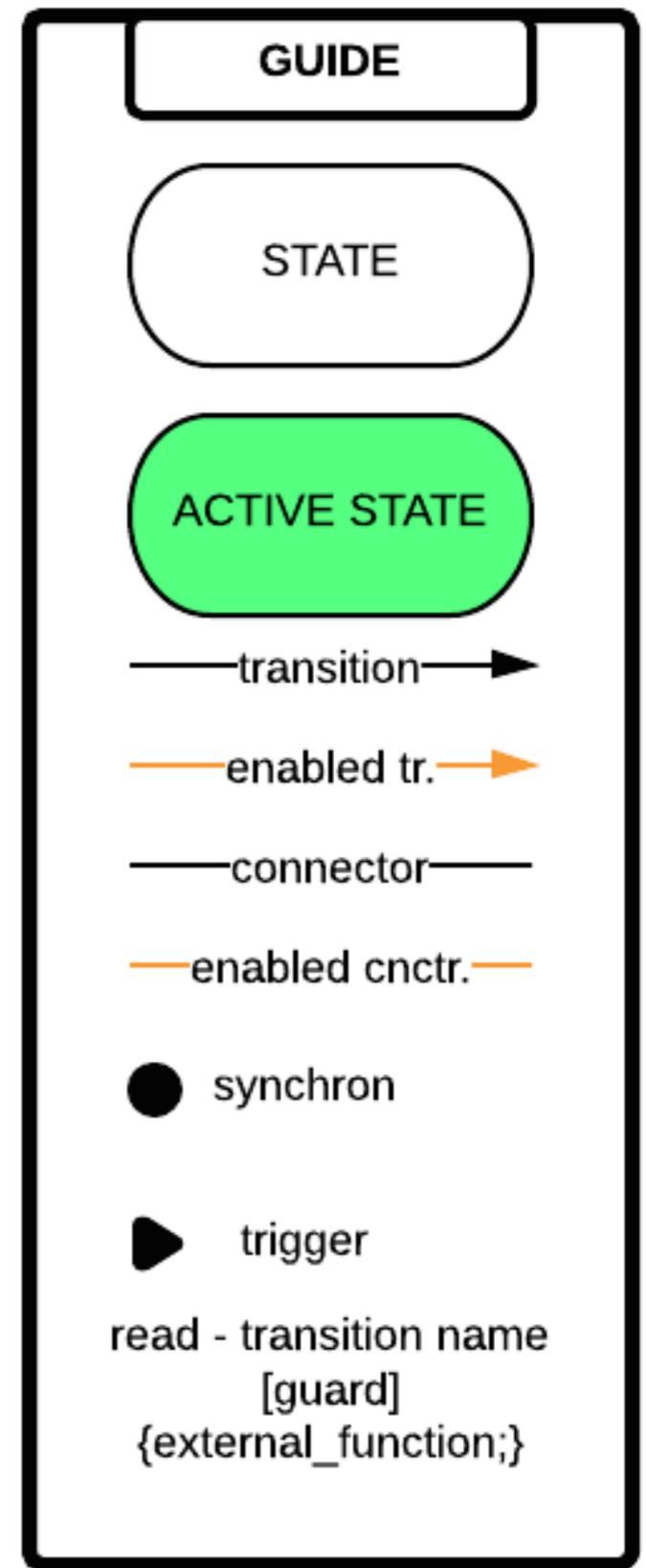
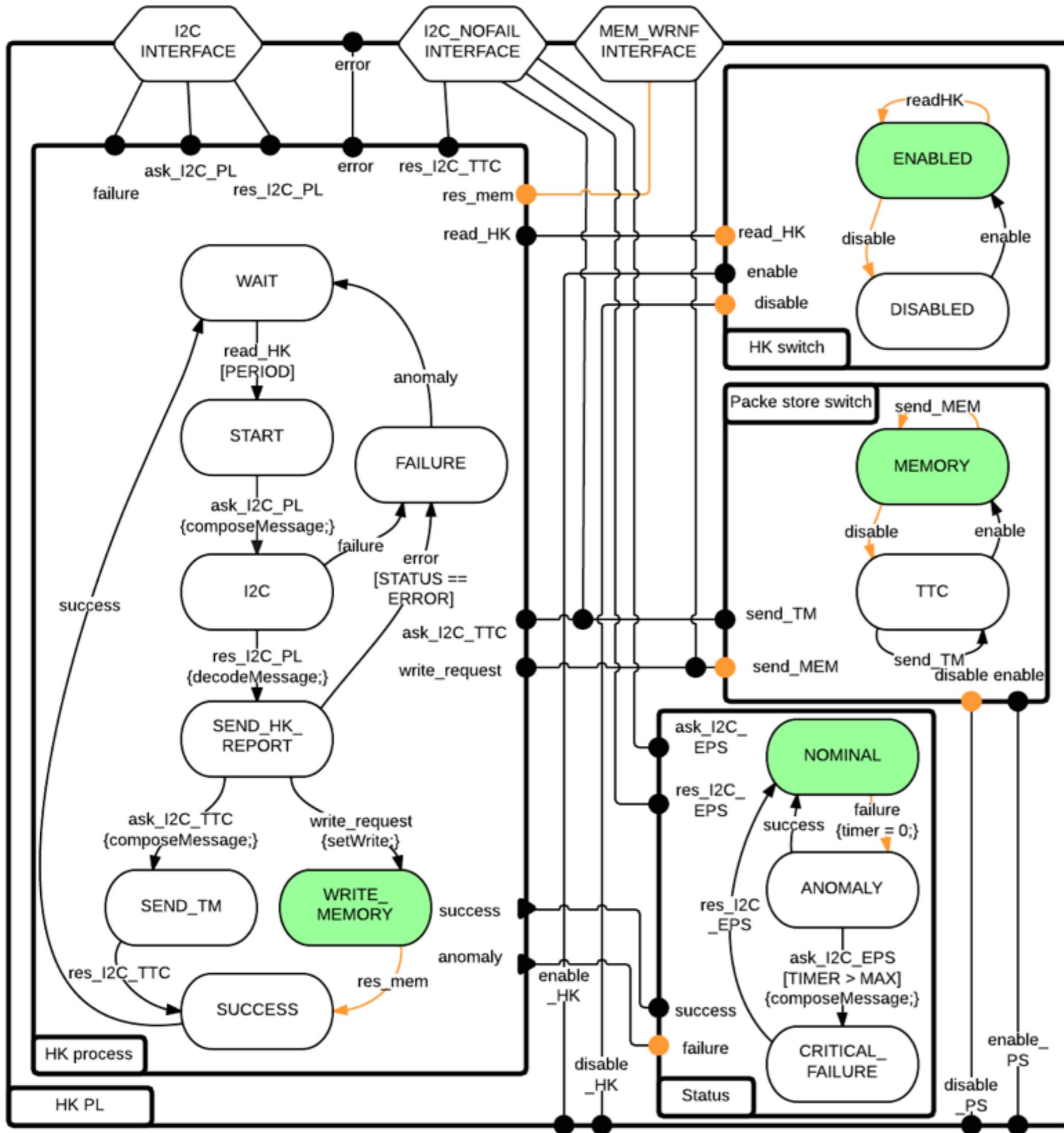
Nominal housekeeping routine

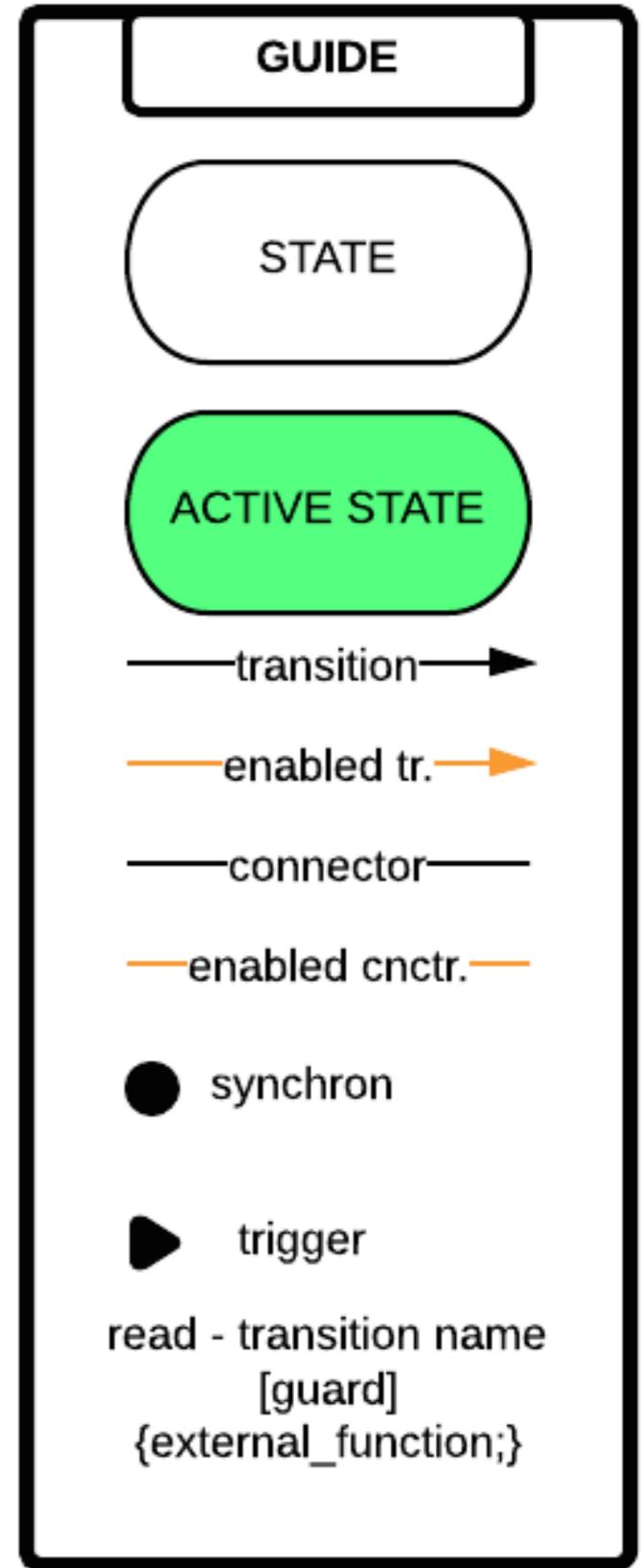
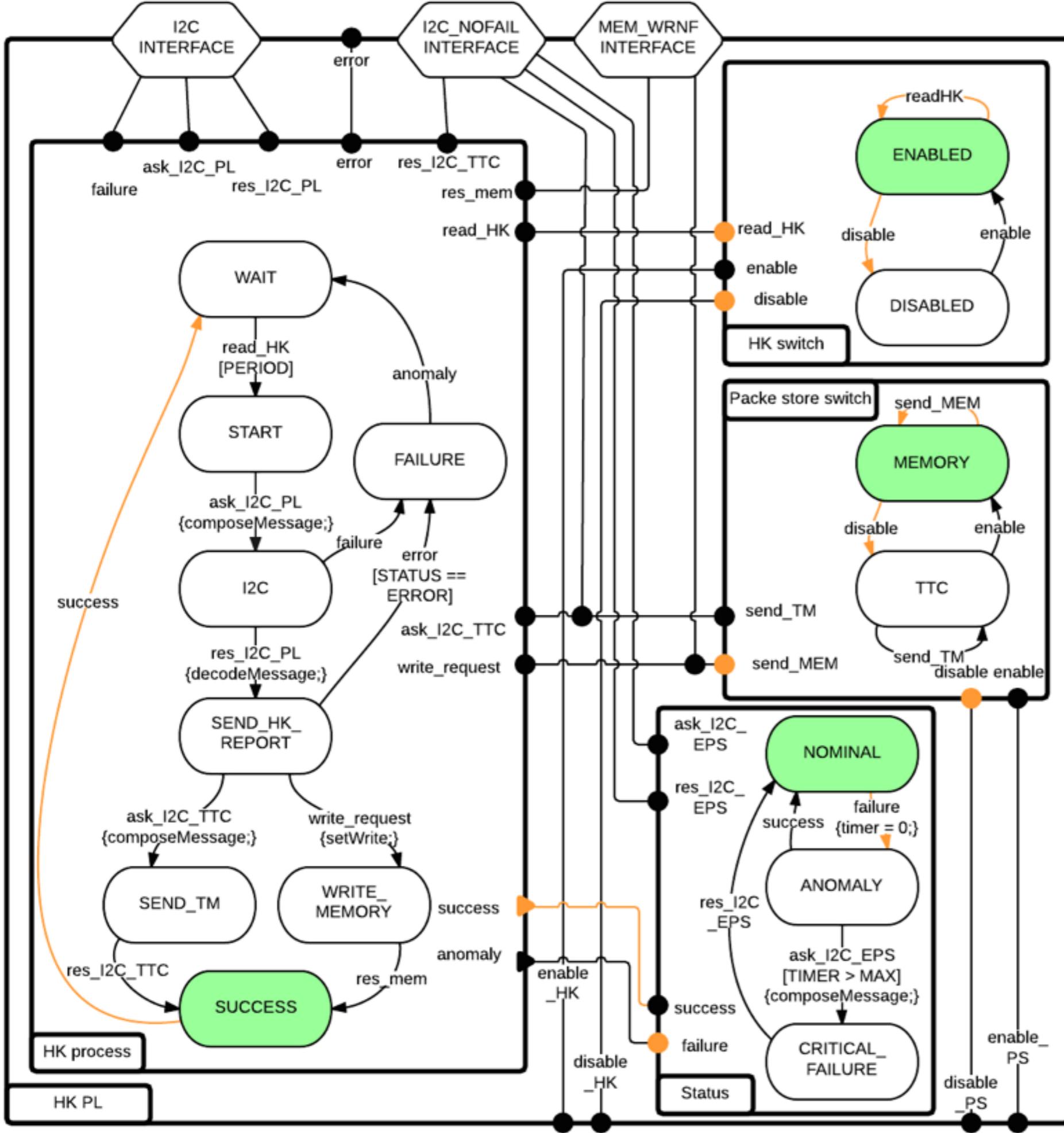






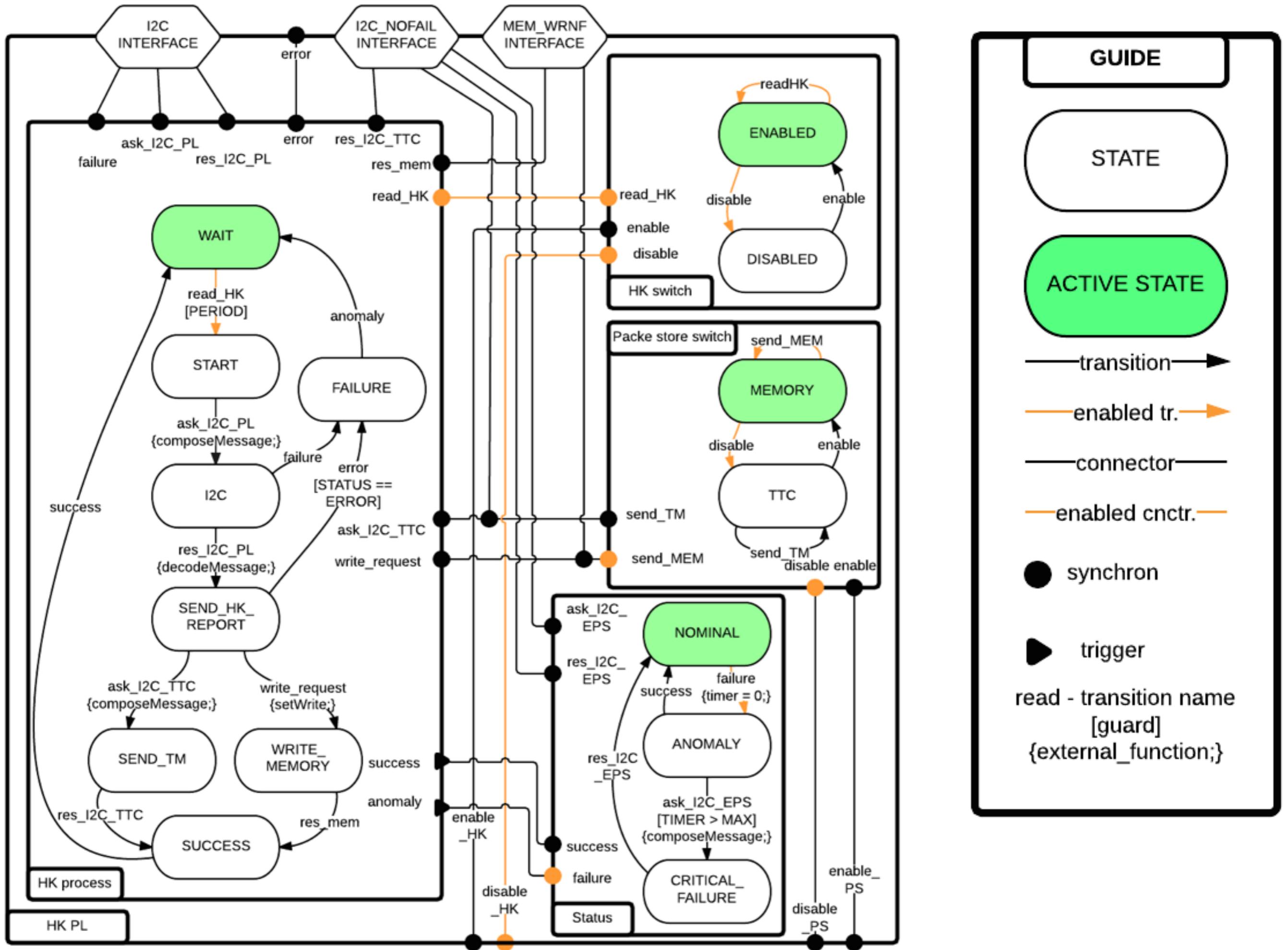


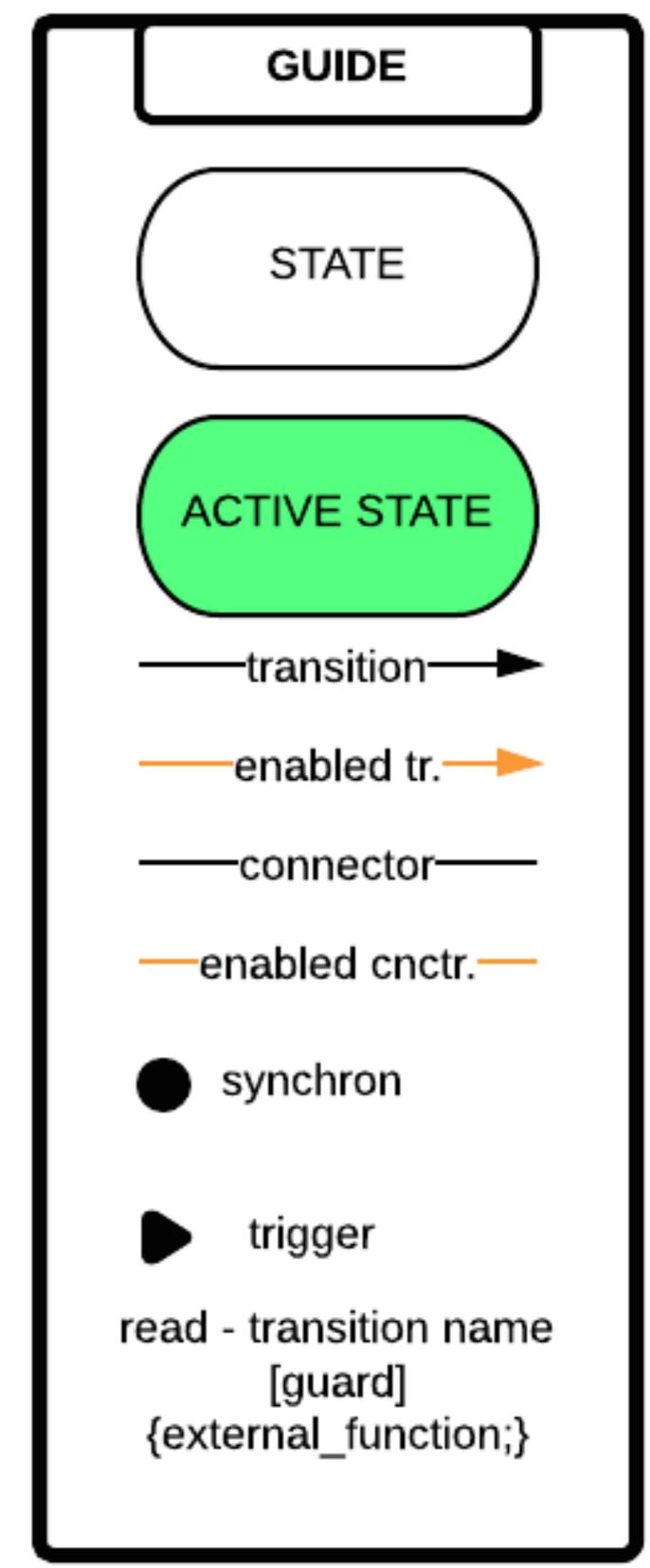
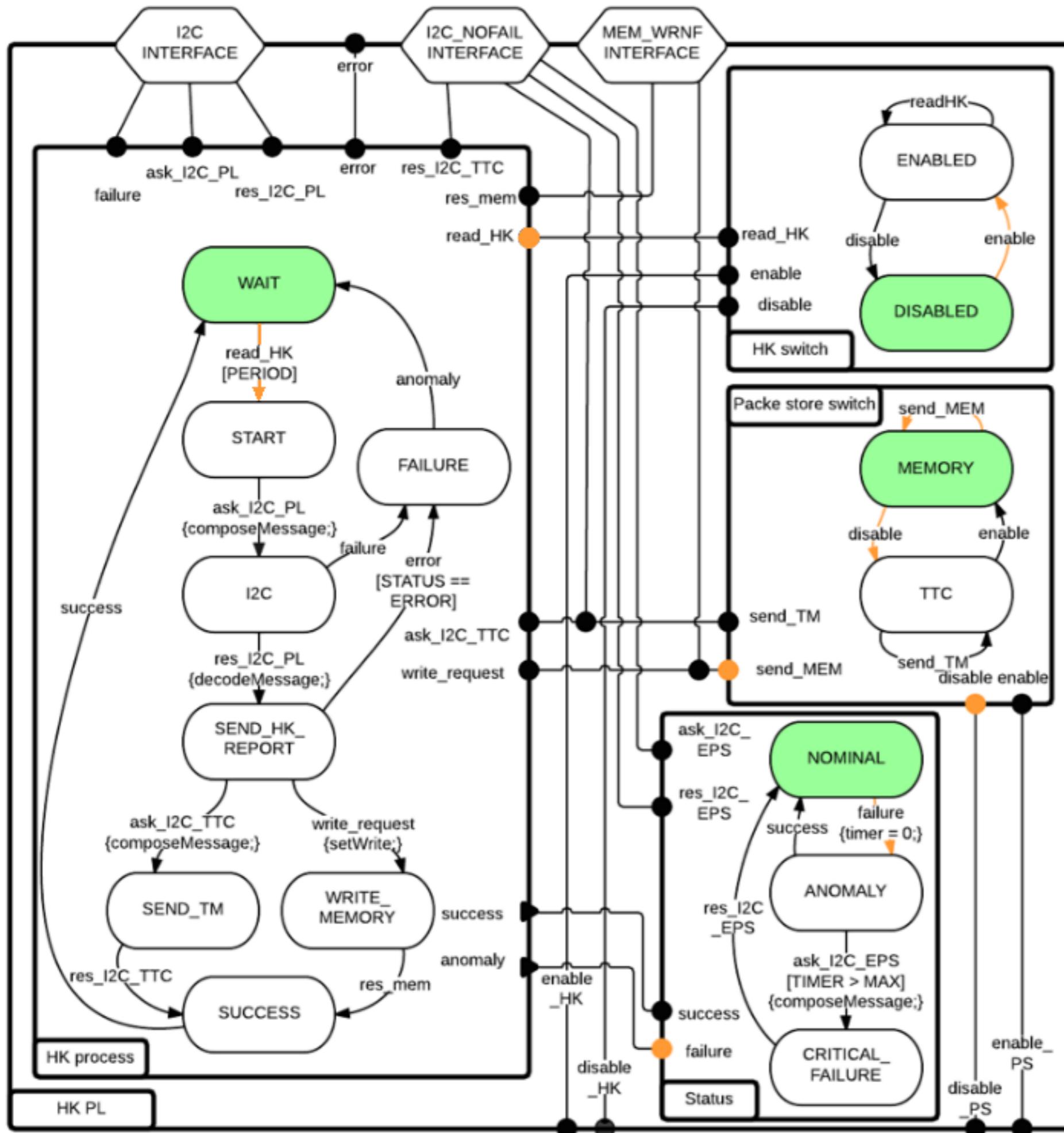




Example 2

Stopping housekeeping





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The BIP language

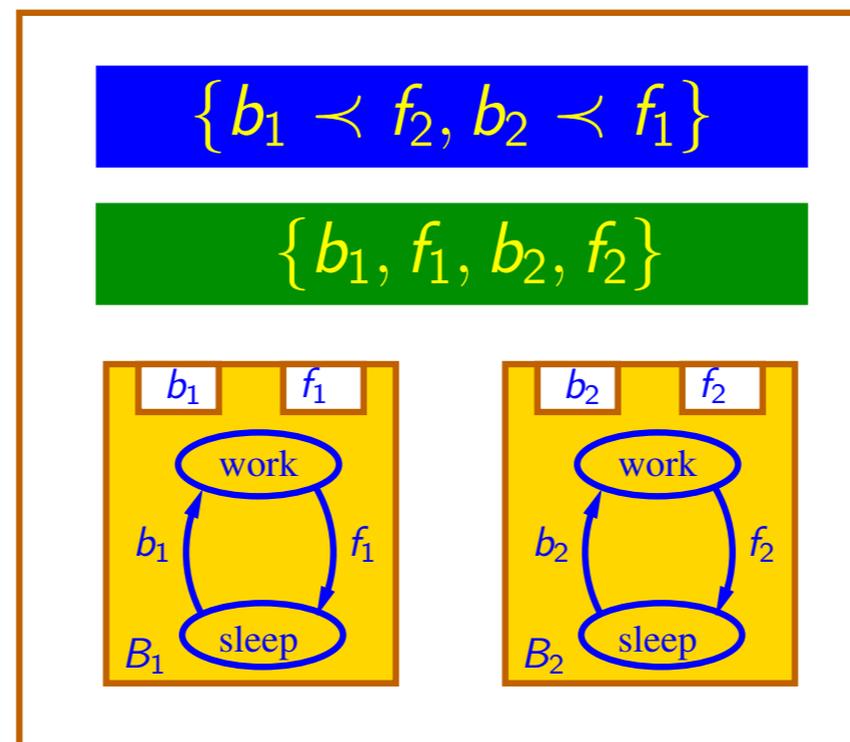
- BIP stands for **B**ehaviour, **I**nteraction, **P**riority

A **b**ehaviour is a Finite State Machine

An **i**nteraction is a set of ports that synchronise

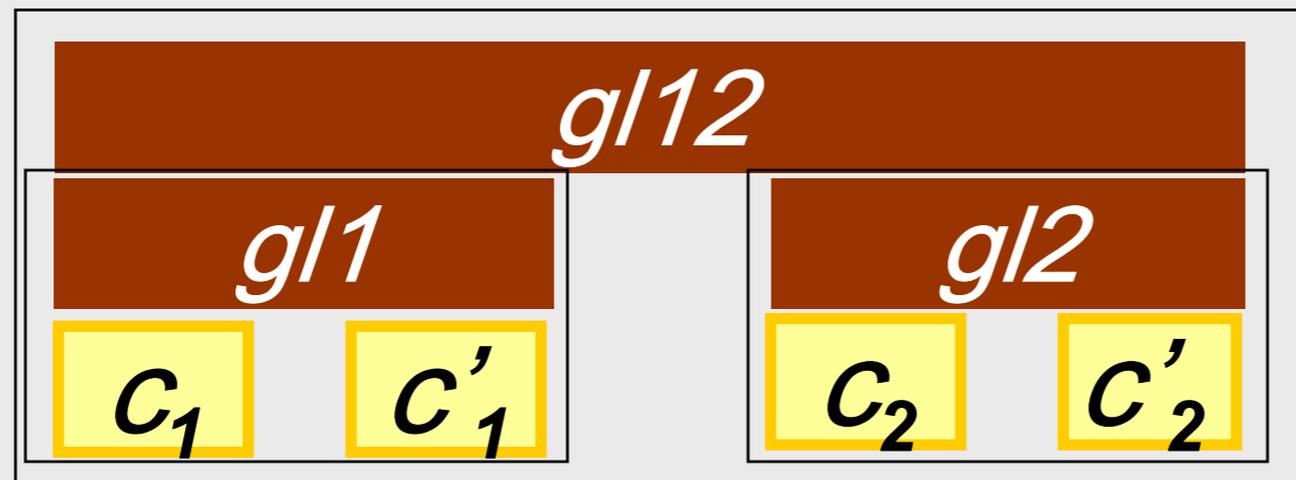
Interaction and **P**riority are collectively called **G**lue

3 layers



Component-based construction

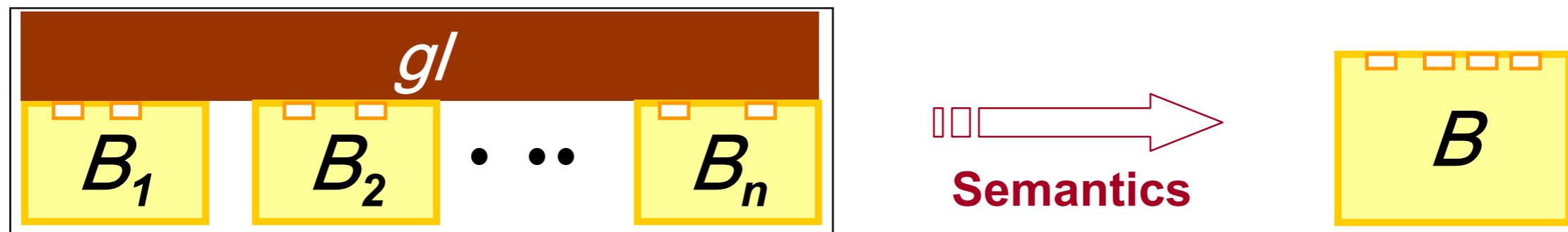
- Build a component C satisfying a given property P from:
 - C_0 a set of atomic components
 - $GL = \{gl1, \dots, gli, \dots\}$ a set of glue operators on components



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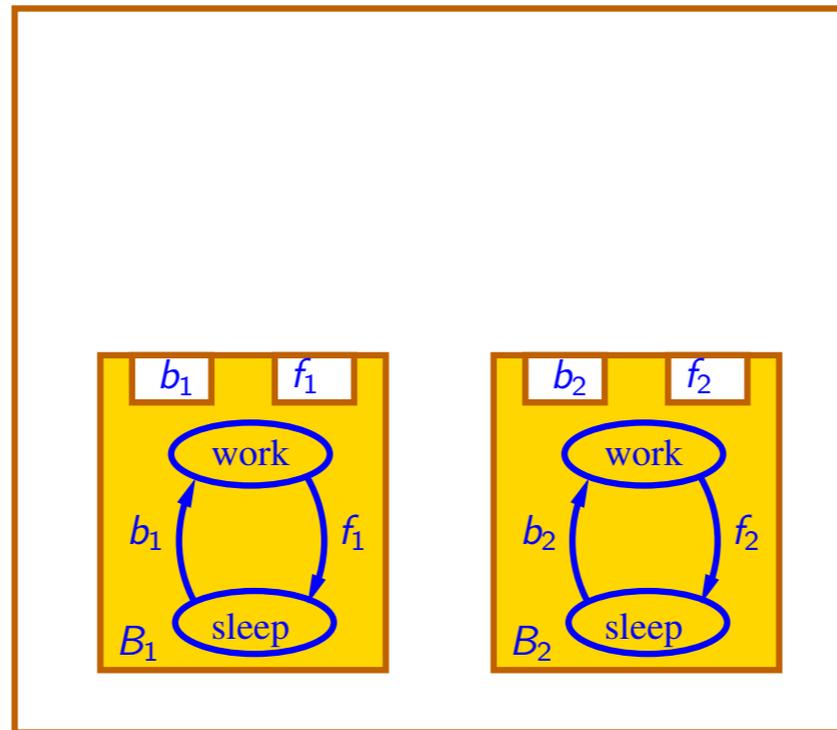
- Glue operators transform set of components into components



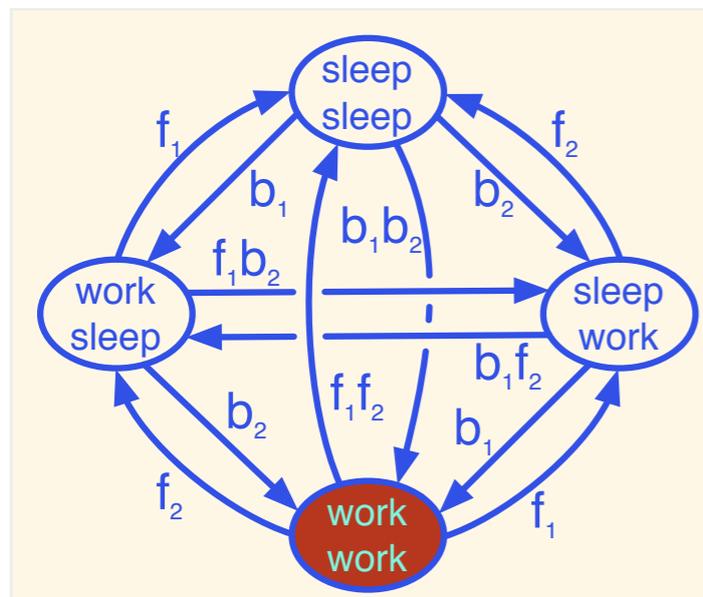
- Glue operators $gl(B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n)$
 - model communication mechanisms (protocols, schedulers, buses)
 - restrict the behaviour of their arguments

BIP composition example

Safety property:
Mutual exclusion

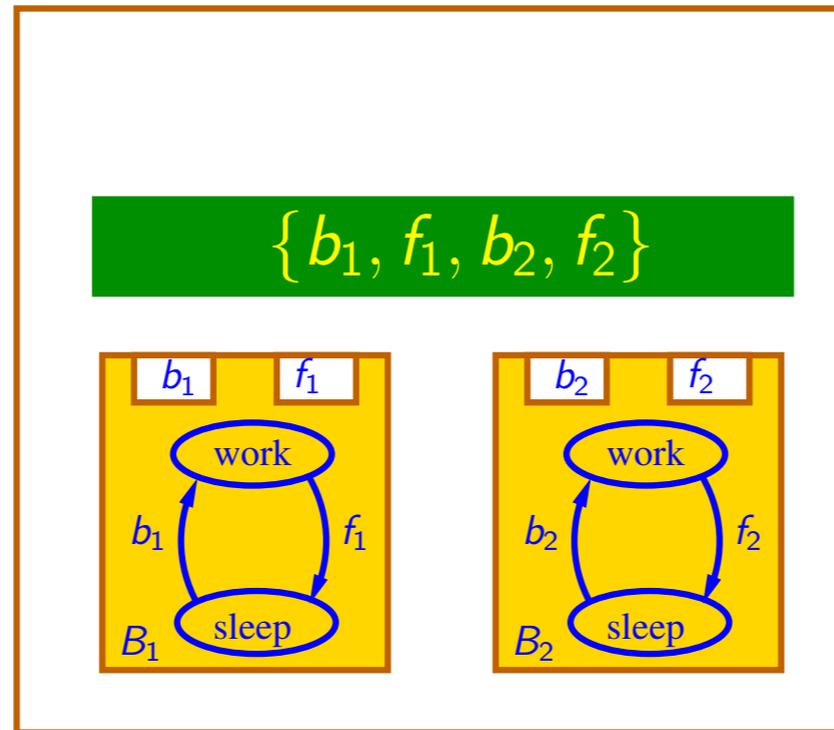


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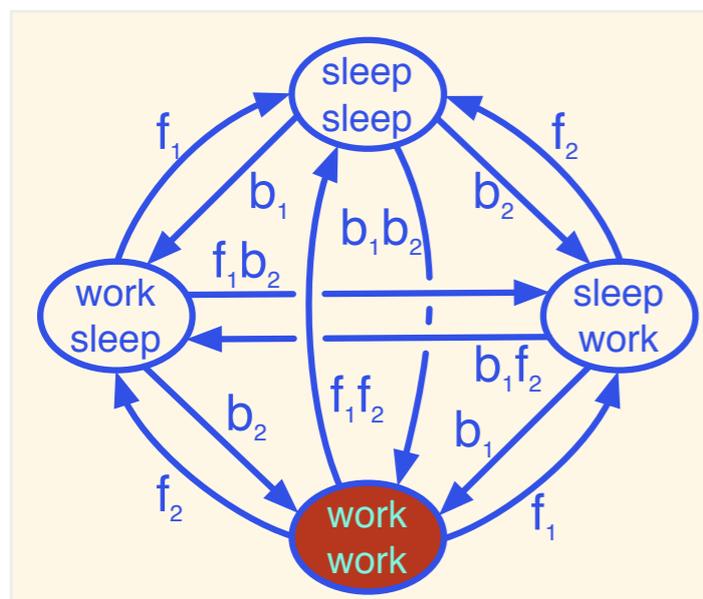


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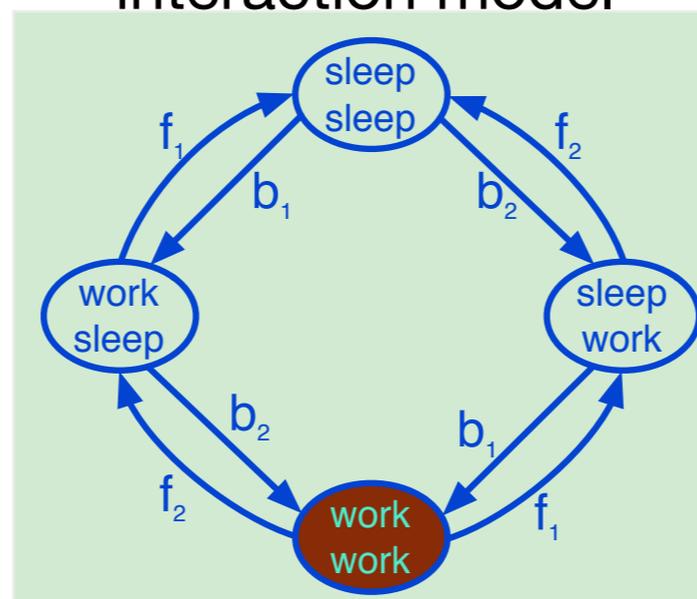
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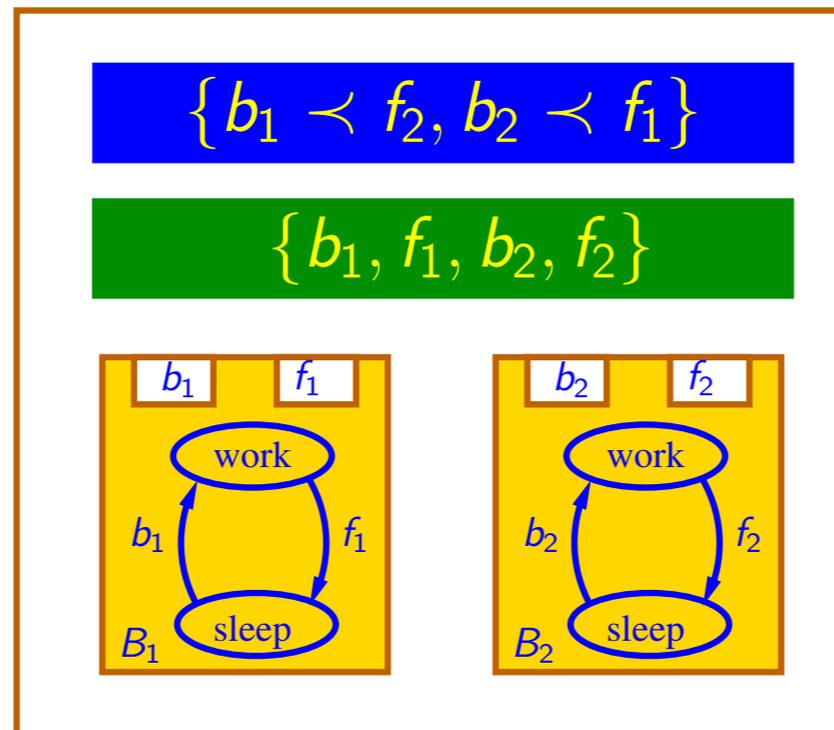


Restrictions from the
interaction model

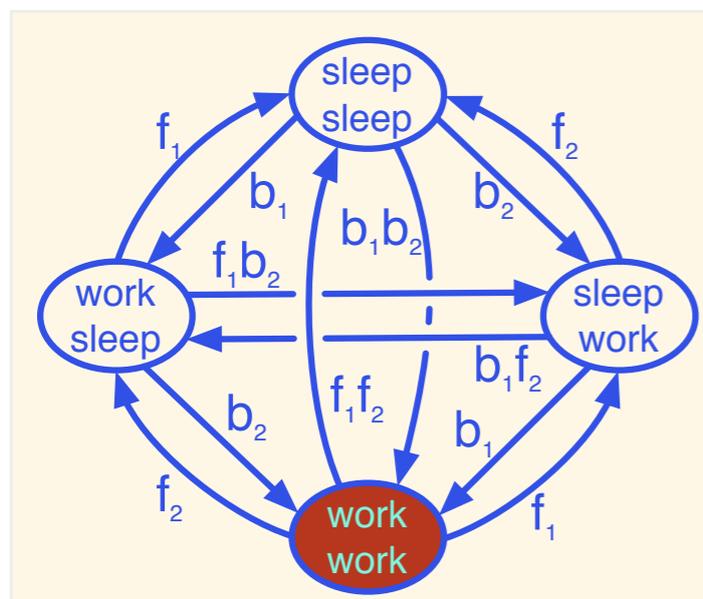


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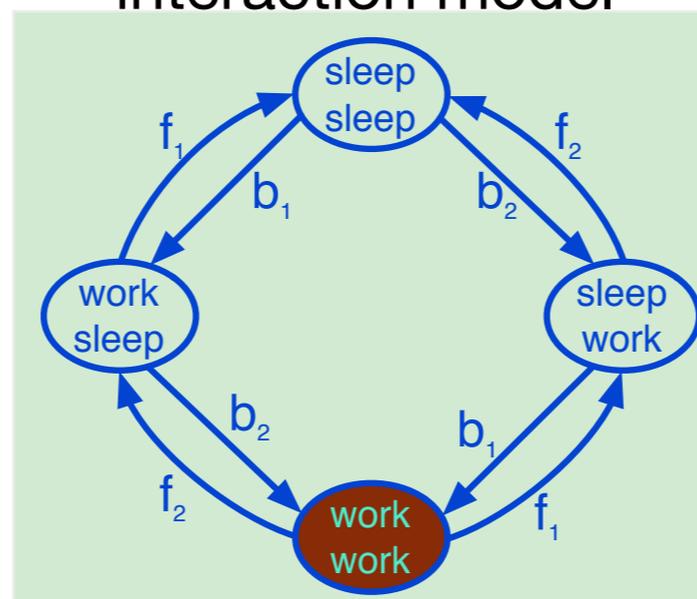
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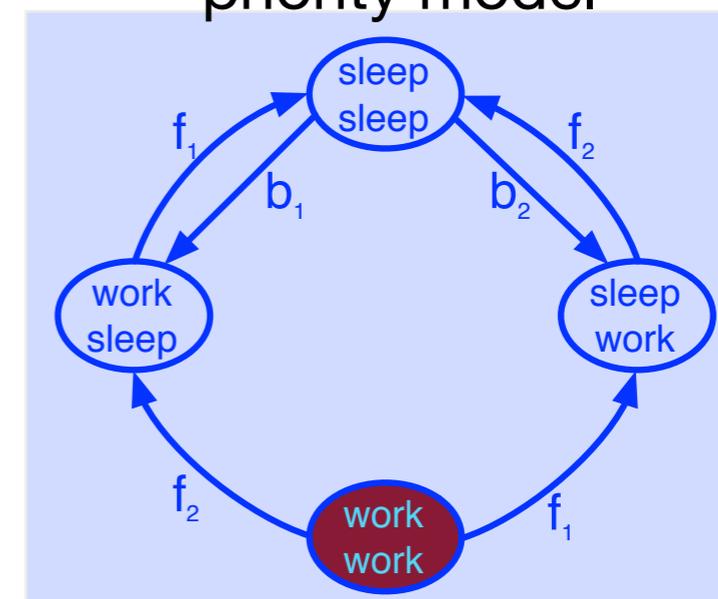
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Restrictions from the interaction model



Restrictions from the priority model



Semantics: Interactions

Consider a set of n components, such that

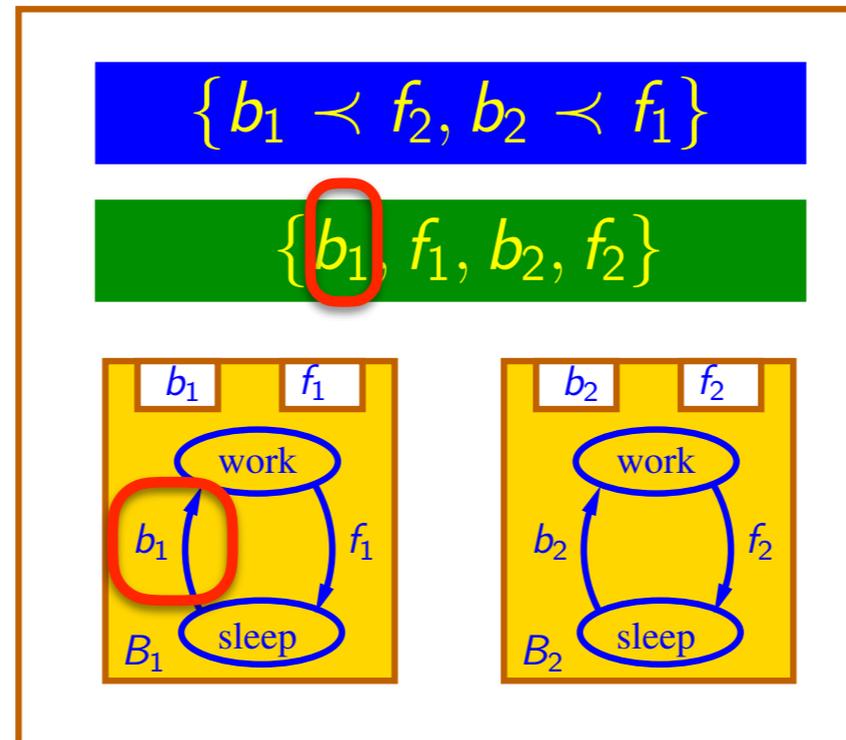
$$B_i = (Q_i, P_i, \rightarrow_i), \quad \rightarrow_i \subseteq Q_i \times 2^{P_i} \times Q_i, \quad P = \bigcup_i P_i$$

Interaction model: $\gamma \subseteq 2^P$ — a set of allowed interactions

$$\frac{q_i \xrightarrow{a \cap P_i} q'_i \text{ (if } a \cap P_i \neq \emptyset) \quad q_i = q'_i \text{ (if } a \cap P_i = \emptyset)}{q_1 \cdots q_n \xrightarrow{a} q'_1 \cdots q'_n}$$

for each $a \in \gamma$.

Interaction semantics example



Component composition

The composition of components $\{B_i\}_{i=1}^n$, parameterized by a set of interactions $\gamma \subseteq 2^P$, is the transition system $B = (Q, P, \rightarrow_\gamma)$, where $Q = \bigotimes_{i=1}^n Q_i$ and \rightarrow_γ is the least set of transitions satisfying the rule:

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Semantics: Priority

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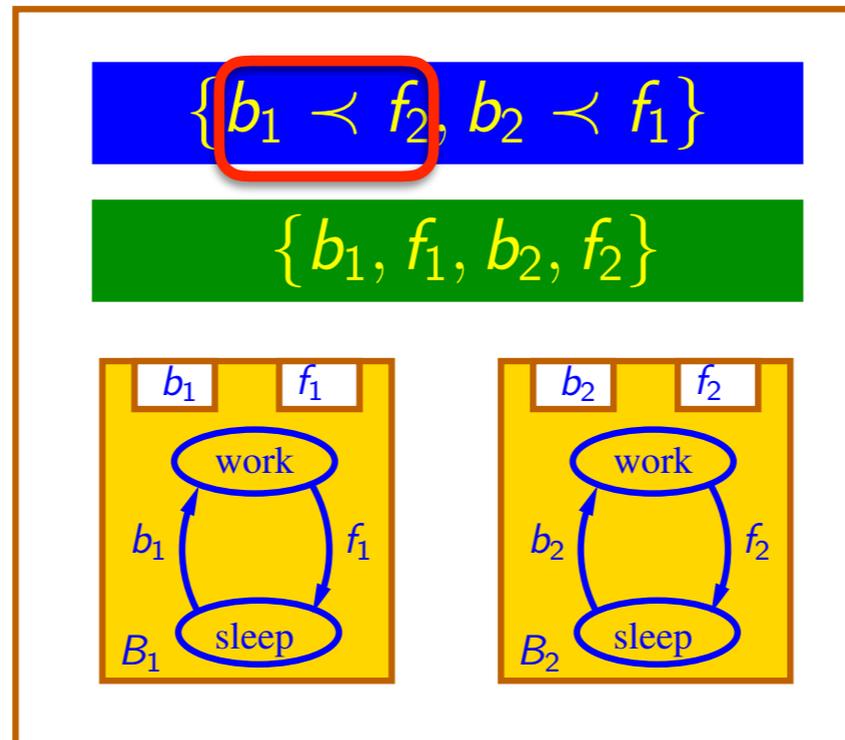
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Priority model: $\prec \subseteq 2^P \times 2^P$ — strict partial order

$$\frac{q \xrightarrow{a} q' \quad \forall a \prec a', q \not\xrightarrow{a'}}{q \xrightarrow{a} \prec q'} \quad \text{for each } a \in 2^P.$$

Priority semantics example



BIP priority model

Composability

Deadlock-freedom is preserved by priority orders: if B is deadlock-free then (B, \prec) is deadlock-free for any priority order \prec .

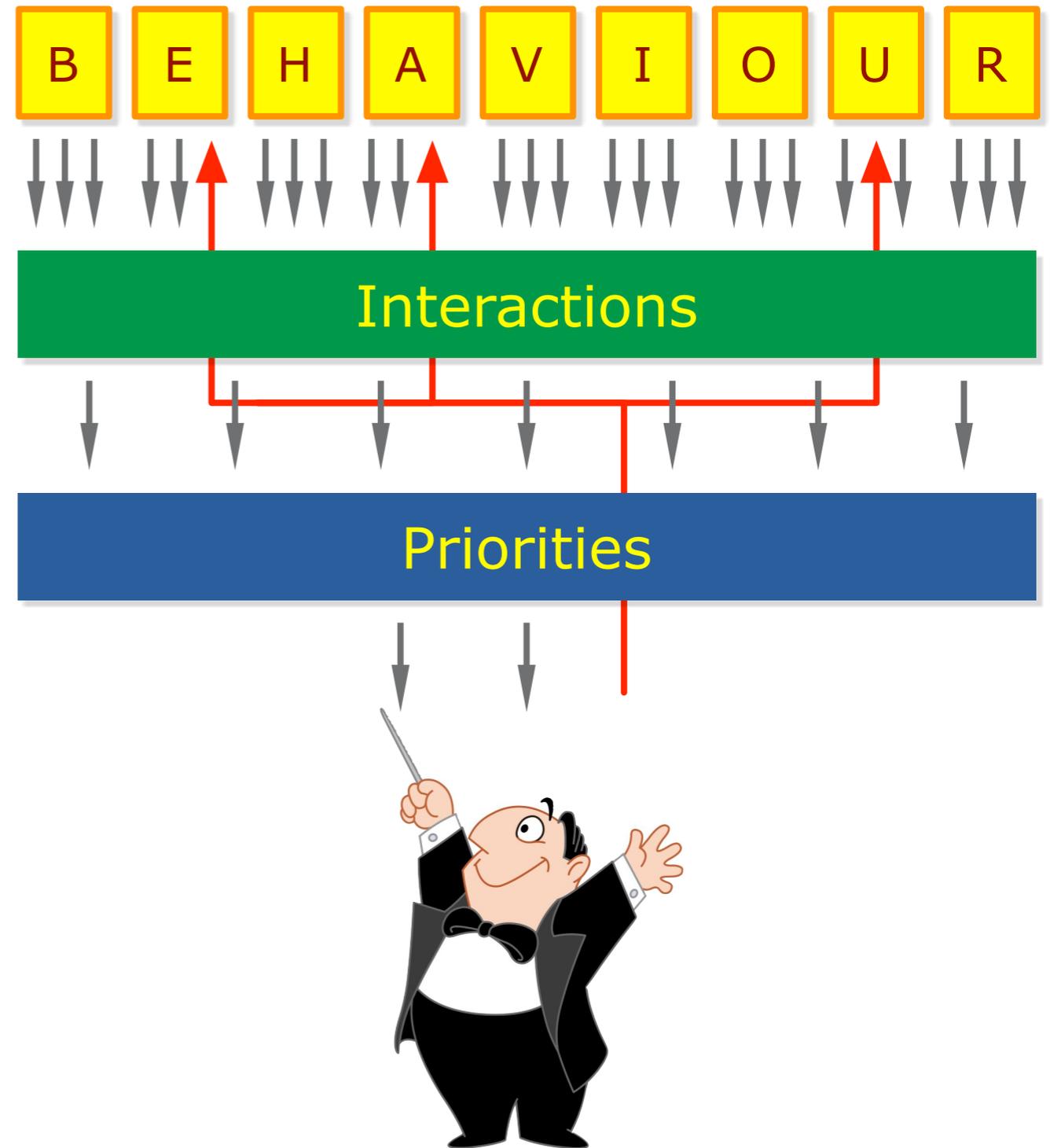
Compositionality

Deadlock-freedom is preserved by composition: if (B_1, \prec^1) and (B_2, \prec^2) are deadlock-free, then $(B_1, \prec^1) \parallel (B_2, \prec^2)$ is deadlock-free.

Engine-based execution

1. Components notify the Engine about enabled transitions.

2. The Engine picks an interaction and instructs the components.



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