Transaction Generator 2 Technical

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1 MODELING FOR TRANSACTION GENERATOR 2

Workload model for Transaction Generator is described in eXtensible Markup Language (XML) which can be hand written or generated by a program. Transaction Generator 2 parses automatically the XML source file before simulation and modifying XML source doesn't need a recompilation. Figure 1 presents the major tags used in modeling and figure 2 expands the <*task*> tag from figure 1.

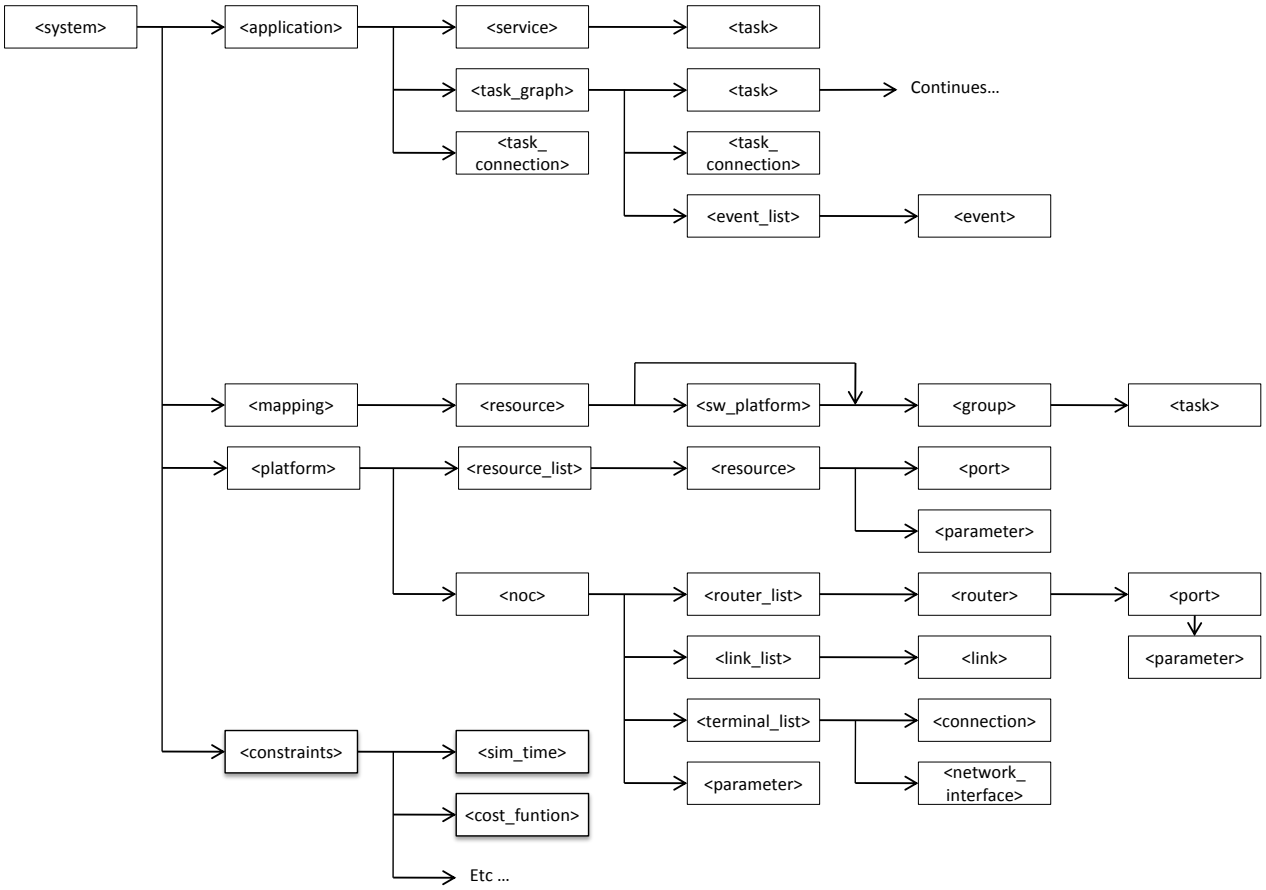

Figure 1: *XML tags used in modeling, part 1*

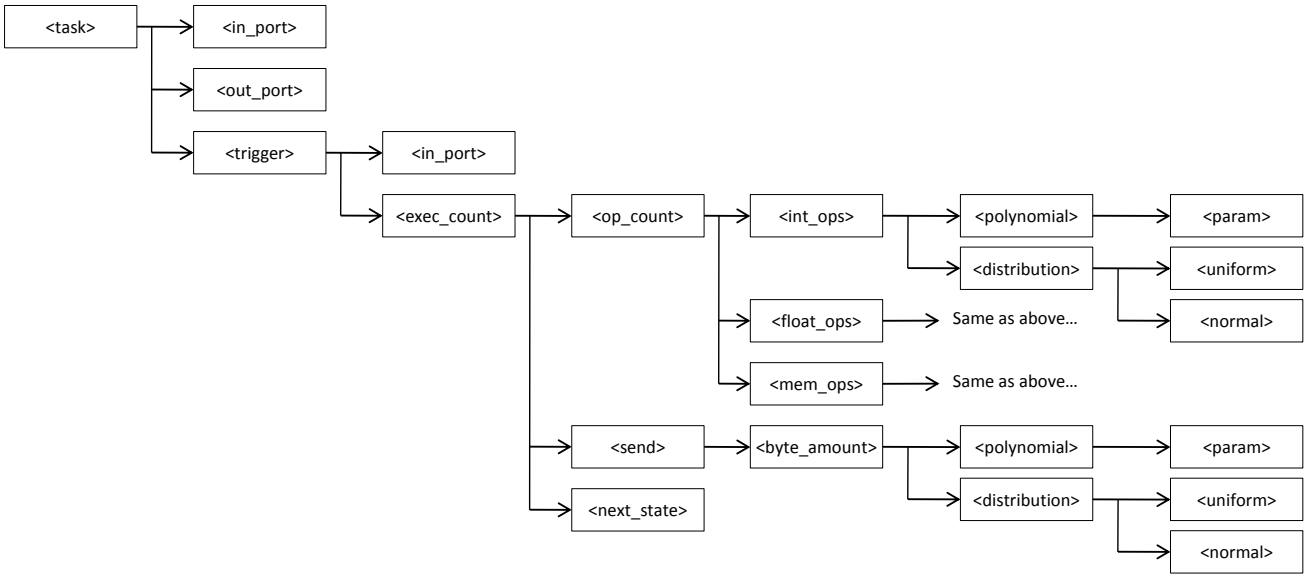

Figure 2: *XML tags used in modeling, part 2*

1.1 XML document root

Example code below shows the fundamental elements that must be present in the source file. Following sections describe the tag structure for <application>, <mapping>, <platform> and <constraints> tags in detail. Order of these tags inside <system> is free but they must be defined only once.

Listing 1: *Root*

```
<?xml version='1.0'?>
<!DOCTYPE system>

<system xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
        xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="...">
  <xsm_version value="4"/>

  <application>
    .
    .
    .
  </application>

  <mapping>
    .
    .
    .
  </mapping>

  <platform>
    .
    .
    .
  </platform>

  <constraints>
    .
    .
    .
  </constraints>

</system>
```

1.2 Application

Application model must have at least one <task_graph> which contains task models, the connections between them and events to start the application.

<task_connection> tags are used to connect events to tasks and tasks together to form the graph that represents application's communicational dependencies.

Listing 2: *Application*

```
<application>
  <task_graph>

    <task name="Task_0" id="0" class="general">
      <in_port  id="7"/>
      <out_port id="0"/>
        .
        .
    </task>
        .
        .
    <task name="Task_n" id="9" class="general">
        .
        .
    </task>

    <task_connection src="0" dst="1"/>
        .
        .
    <task_connection src="8" dst="9"/>


    <event_list>
      <event out_port_id="6" amount="1" name="Event_0"
             id="0" period="0.1" prob="1"/>
          .
          .
      <event out_port_id="8" amount="1" name="Event_5"
             id="5" period="0.05" prob="1"/>
    </event_list>

  </task_graph>
</application>
```

1.2.1 Tasks

<task> tags inside <task_graph> are used to model the behavior of tasks. Tasks may contain any number of input or output ports and triggers which defines how to react to incoming data tokens. Tasks communicate through unidirectional ports with each other.

Id numbers of input and output ports must be unique in the model.

Listing 3: *Task*

```
<task name="Task0" id="0" class="general">
  <in_port  id="5"/>
  <in_port  id="7"/>
  <out_port id="0"/>

  <trigger>
    <in_port id="5"/>
    <exec_count>
      <op_count>
        <int_ops>
          <polynomial>
            <param value="10000" exp="0"/>
          </polynomial>
        </int_ops>
      </op_count>
      <send out_id="0" prob="1">
        <byte_amount>
          <polynomial>
            <param value="1024" exp="0"/>
          </polynomial>
        </byte_amount>
      </send>
      <next_state value="READY"/>
    </exec_count>
  </trigger>

  <trigger>
    <in_port id="7"/>
    <exec_count>
      <op_count>
        <int_ops>
          <polynomial>
            <param value="2000" exp="0"/>
          </polynomial>
        </int_ops>
      </op_count>
      <next_state value="READY"/>
    </exec_count>
  </trigger>

</task>
```

Listing 3 models a simple task that has two input ports and one output port. When task receives a data token to port 5 it first executes 10,000 integer operations and then sends a 1 KB data token to port 0. Tokens received to port 7 triggers task to execute 2,000 integer operations but not to send anything.

1.2.2 Triggers

Triggers are evaluated when all or one of the input ports have received a full data token. If trigger's dependency_type attribute is "and" it's evaluated after all ports have received data and if it's "or" it's evaluated when a data token is received to any of the trigger's input ports.

Triggers must have at least one input port and one exec_count tag.

Listing 4: *Trigger*

```
<trigger>
  <in_port id="7"/>
  <in_port id="8"/>
  <exec_count>
    <op_count>
      <int_ops>
        <polynomial>
          <param value="400" exp="0"/>
        </polynomial>
      </int_ops>
    </op_count>
    <send out_id="2" prob="1">
      <byte_amount>
        <polynomial>
          <param value="1024" exp="0"/>
        </polynomial>
      </byte_amount>
    </send>
    <send out_id="1" prob="0.5">
      <byte_amount>
        <polynomial>
          <param value="256" exp="0"/>
        </polynomial>
      </byte_amount>
    </send>
    <next_state value="READY"/>
  </exec_count>
</trigger>
<trigger dependence_type="and">
  <in_port id="10"/>
  <in_port id="11"/>
  <in_port id="12"/>
  <exec_count>
    .
    .
  </exec_count>
</trigger>
```

First trigger is evaluated whenever there is a data token in port 7 or 8. It executes 400 integer operations and after that sends 1024 bytes to port 2 and 256 bytes to port 1 with 50% probability.

Second trigger is evaluated only after all ports 10, 11 and 12 have received data tokens. If dependence_type attribute is not defined "or" is assumed.

1.2.3 Execution counts

Amount of operations trigger executes and bytes it sends can be different depending how many times it has been executed (triggered). Conditions of exec_counts are evaluated in the order they appear in the source file and all that have a condition which evaluates as true are executed.

Attribute mod_period is used to model periodical behavior e.g. for tasks that does every tenth time it's executed something differently. Attributes min and max are used to select a range of this period and using mod_phase is identical to using same value for both min and max.

Listing 5: *Execution counts (1)*

```
<trigger>
  <exec_count mod_phase="0" mod_period="3">
    ...
  </exec_count>
  <exec_count mod_phase="1" mod_period="3">
    ...
  </exec_count>
  <exec_count> <!-- always executed -->
    ...
  </exec_count>
</trigger>
```

Trigger in the first example executes the fisrt exec_count when task's execution count modulo three is zero. Second exec_count is executed when the modulo returns 1 and the third exec_count will be executed every time.

Listing 6: *Execution counts (2)*

```
<trigger>
  <exec_count min="1" max="4" mod_period="5">
    ...
  </exec_count>
  <exec_count min="0" max="0" mod_period="5">
    ...
  </exec_count>
</trigger>
```

Second trigger example demonstrates the use of min and max. First exec_count is executed when when task's execution count modulo five is greater tha zero and the second exec_count when the result is zero.

Listing 7: *Execution counts (3)*

```
<trigger>
  <exec_count mod_phase="0"> ... </exec_count>
  <exec_count mod_phase="1"> ... </exec_count>
  <exec_count mod_phase="3"> ... </exec_count>

  <exec_count min="10"> ...  </exec_count>
  <exec_count max="42"> ...  </exec_count>
</trigger>
```

It's possible also to define a different behavior for every time the task is executed by not defining attribute mod_period. Using only min or max is also possible.

1.2.4 Polynomial and distributional amounts

Listing 8 shows few different ways to determine the amount of operations to execute on HW resource or the amount of bytes to send when a certain trigger is being evaluated. In the example code amount of integer operations is $10x^2 + 100x + 400$ where x is the amount of bytes received. Number of floating point operations is a random number in range of 30 to 90 with uniform distribution. Amount of memory operations is randomly chosen using normal distribution. If the mean attribute is not defined for a normal distribution as in the second <send>, the amount of bytes received is used as a mean.

Listing 8: *Execution and send amounts*

```
<op_count>
  <int_ops>
    <polynomial>
      <param value="400" exp="0"/>
      <param value="100" exp="1"/>
      <param value="10"  exp="2"/>
    </polynomial>
  </int_ops>
  <float_ops>
    <distribution>
      <uniform min="30" max="90"/>
    </distribution>
  </float_ops>
  <mem_ops>
    <distribution>
      <normal mean="50" standard_deviation="5"/>
    </distribution>
  </mem_ops>
</op_count>

<send out_id="2" prob="1">
  <byte_amount>
    <polynomial>
      <param value="1024" exp="0"/>
    </polynomial>
  </byte_amount>
</send>

<send out_id="2" prob="1">
  <byte_amount>
    <distribution>
      <normal standard_deviation="100"/>
    </distribution>
  </byte_amount>
</send>
```

1.2.5 Events

Events are used to trigger the execution of task models either n times or periodically. At least one event must exist to start the workload model to execute as all tasks are initially waiting for tokens to trigger them and thus the model wouldn't do anything without an event to trigger at least one of the tasks.

Listing 9: *Events*

```
<event_list>

  <event id="7"
         out_port_id="1"
         amount="1"
         name="Event0"
         count="7"
         offset="0.3"
         period="0.1"
         prob="0.3"/>

  <event id="8"
         out_port_id="2"
         amount="20"
         name="Event1"
         count="1"
         offset="1.0"
         prob="1"/>

  <event id="9"
         out_port_id="3"
         amount="2"
         name="Event2"
         period="0.2"
         prob="1"/>

</event_list>
```

In the example "Event0" sends 1 byte data token to port 1 seven times every 0.1 seconds with 30% probability. Attribute offset defines when the first byte is sent (default value is zero). "Event1" sends only once 20 bytes to port 2 when simulation has been run for 1.0 seconds with 100% probability. "Event2" sends two bytes to port 3 every 0.2 seconds. Its first token is sent when simulation starts.

1.3 Mapping

Mapping section binds software platforms to HW resources, group of tasks to either software platforms or directly to the resources and finally tasks to groups. Attributes "contents" and "position" are used in automatic design space exploration to determine whether or not not the optimization algorithm can e.g. move groups to different resources or alter the contents of groups by moving tasks.

Listing 10: *Mapping*

```
<mapping>

  <resource      name="cpu0"         id="0" contents="mutable">
    <sw_platform position="movable" id="0" contents="mutable">
      <group     position="movable" id="0" contents="mutable"
                 name="group0">

        <task position="movable" id="0" name="Task0"/>
        <task position="movable" id="1" name="Task1"/>
        <task position="movable" id="2" name="Task2"/>

      </group>
      <group     position="movable" id="1" contents="immutable"
                 name="group1">

        <task position="immovable" id="3" name="Task3"/>

      </group>
    </sw_platform>
  </resource>

  <resource name="acc1"           id="1" contents="immutable">
    <group  position="immovable" id="2" contents="immutable"
            name="group2">

      <task position="immovable" id="4" name="Task4"/>

    </group>
  </resource>

  .
  .
  .

</mapping>
```

In the example "cpu0" models a general purpose processor with a software platform and two groups of tasks. First group could be altered in any way in the exploration but the second could only be moved to another resource but not changed. Resource "acc1" has no software platform and can't be altered in any way.

1.4 Platform

Platform section defines the type of hardware resources, the type of NoC and how resources are connected to the NoC.

Listing 11: *Platform*

```
<platform>
  <resource_list>

    <resource id="0" name="cpu0" frequency="100" type="Generic_CPU">
      <port terminal="0"/>
    </resource>

      .
      .

    <resource id="9" name="acc9" frequency="100" type="Accelerator_x">
      <port terminal="9"/>
    </resource>

  </resource_list>

  <noc type="hibi">

    <router_list>
      <router width="32" id="0" name="Hibi_segment" frequency="80"
              type="Hibi_segment">
        <port name="hibi_p1" id="0" type="Hibi_if" address="0x100000"/>
          .
          .
        <port name="hibi_p9" id="9" type="Hibi_if" address="0x900000"/>
      </router>
    </router_list>

    <terminal_list>
      <connection port="0" router="0" name="hibi_p" id="0"/>
        .
        .
      <connection port="9" router="0" name="hibi_p" id="9"/>
      <network_interface type="Hibi_if"/>
    </terminal_list>

  </noc>
</platform>
```

1.4.1 Resources

Resource's type attribute maps it to an external HW library which defines its characteristics e.g. how many integer and floating point operations it can execute in one clock cycle. Port tags determines the network terminal which the resource is connected to.

Optional buffer size attributes can be used to specify the amount of memory resource has to limit its capability to generate or receive tokens. Receive buffer is also used for inter PE traffic. Transaction Generator 2 can automatically split large tokens into smaller packets if packet_size attribute if defined.

Listing 12: *Resources*

```
<resource_list>

  <resource id="0" name="cpu0" frequency="80" type="Generic_CPU"
            rx_buffer_size="262144" tx_buffer_size="1024"
            packet_size="16">
    <port terminal="0"/>
  </resource>

  <resource id="1" name="cpu1" frequency="120" type="IP_CPU_y">
    <port terminal="1"/>
  </resource>

    .
    .

  <resource id="42" name="acc42" frequency="20" type="Accelerator_z">
    <port terminal="42"/>
  </resource>

</resource_list>
```

1.4.2 NoC

This tag describes how network on chip models should construct themselves or how they are constructed if the used NoC model can't use this information. Attributes class, type and subtype are used to determine which NoC TG uses during simulation. Transaction Generator 2 parses and uses only router widths and port addresses from this information. All other information can be used in NoC model or ignored altogether.

Example code models a HIBI bus with two segments bridged together. Router list defines all the routers or bus segments as in this case and the ports they have. Terminal list connects routers' ports to resources' terminals and link list determines the connections between routers.

Listing 13: *NoC*

```
<noc class="hibi" type="hibi_simple" subtype="">

  <router_list>
    <router width="32" id="0" name="Hibi_segment0" frequency="25"
            type="Hibi_segment">

      <port name="hibi0_p0" id="0" type="Hibi_if" address="0x1000000"/>
      <port name="hibi0_p1" id="1" type="Hibi_if" address="0x2000000"/>
      <port name="hibi0_p2" id="2" type="Hibi_if" address="0x3000000"/>

    </router>
    <router width="32" id="1" name="Hibi_segment1" frequency="25"
            type="Hibi_segment">

      <port name="hibi1_p0" id="0" type="Hibi_if" address="0x4000000"/>
      <port name="hibi1_p1" id="1" type="Hibi_if" address="0x5000000"/>
      <port name="hibi1_p2" id="2" type="Hibi_if" address="0x6000000"/>

    </router>
  </router_list>

  <terminal_list>
    <connection port="0" router="0" name="hibi_p" id="0"/>
    <connection port="1" router="0" name="hibi_p" id="1"/>
    <connection port="2" router="0" name="hibi_p" id="2"/>
    <connection port="0" router="1" name="hibi_p" id="3"/>
    <connection port="1" router="1" name="hibi_p" id="4"/>
    <connection port="2" router="1" name="hibi_p" id="5"/>
    <network_interface type="Hibi_if"/>
  </terminal_list>

  <link_list>
    <link id="0" src_router="0" dst_router="1" src_port="2" dst_port="2"/>
  </link_list>

</noc>
```

1.5 Constraints

Constraints define parameters for Transaction Generator 2, such as simulation resolution and length and various file names for logging measurements gathered during simulation.

Listing 14: *Constraints*

```
<constraints>
  <!-- Seed for random number generator, comment out for random seed -->
  <rng_seed       value="42"/>

  <!-- Used in standalone mode -->
  <sim_resolution time="1.0"   unit="fs"/>
  <sim_length     time="1.0"   unit="ms"/>

  <!-- interval between measurements
       (both averages and snapshots) -->
  <measurements   time="2.0"   unit="ms"/>

  <!-- Path to PE lib file -->
  <pe_lib         file="examples/pe_lib.xml"/>

  <!-- Paths to log files, comment out to disable logging -->
  <log_packet      file="log_packet.txt"/>
  <log_token       file="log_token.txt"/>
  <log_summary     file="log_summary.txt"/>
  <log_pe          file="log_pe.txt"/>
  <log_app         file="log_app.txt"/>
</constraints>
```

2 NETWORKS

2.1 Network interface

TG uses a hierarchy of factories (Figure 3) to dynamically instantiate the actual NoC model. Multiple hierarchy levels speed up the compilation when some parameters are changed that reguires the recompilation of only some of the NoC models.

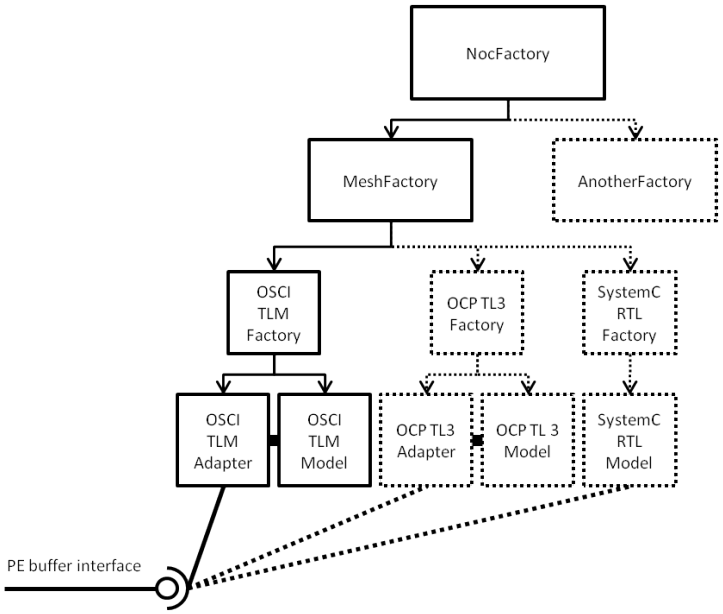

Figure 3: *NoC factory pattern*

The actual factories to construct depends on the attributes given to <noc> tag. Class NocFactory is always constructed and will dynamically construct some other factory depending on the class attribute. NocFactory class implementation (`tg_root/hw_lib/noc_factory/noc_factory.cc`) needs to be modified if one wants to attach other NoC models to TG.

```
<system>
  ...
  <platform>
    ...
    <noc class="mesh_2d" type="sc_rtl_1" subtype="2x2"> ... </noc>
  </platform>
  ...
</system>
```

2.2 Adapters

TG offers a simple custom TL interface for NoCs and adapters for OCP TLM2 Kit TL3 sockets and OSCI TLM 2.0 sockets. These adapters will not serve all NoC models and are intended to be more of an examples of how to adapt TG for various models. Both adapters annotate no time for communication and will only stall if the PE they are connected to does not have enough space in its receive buffer. Adapters support only writing as TG is designed for NoCs with split transactions where the path of read response can be different from the read request path.

2.2.1 OCP TL3 adapter

Adapter class has template parameters for the amount of agents and the bus width and uses two multi-sockets (master and slave). Sockets should be bound in the order of PE id numbers (first bind PE with id 0, then 1, etc).

```
template <unsigned int N_AGENTS, unsigned int DATA_WIDTH>
class SctgToOcpTl3 : public sc_core::sc_module
{
   public:

   ocpip::ocp_master_socket_tl3<DATA_WIDTH, 0>* masterSocket;
   ocpip::ocp_slave_socket_tl3<DATA_WIDTH, 0>*  slaveSocket;

};
```

2.2.2 OSCI TLM 2.0 adapter

This adapter uses tagged sockets and has a pair of initiator and target sockets per PE. Again PEs should be bound in order of their id numbers (Socket[0] is connected to PE with id 0, etc). Adapter uses two timing points for transactions.

```
template <unsigned int N_AGENTS, unsigned int DATA_WIDTH>
class SctgToOsciTlm : public sc_core::sc_module, public tlm::tlm_mm_interface
{
   public:

   tlm_utils::simple_initiator_socket_tagged
   <SctgToOsciTlm, DATA_WIDTH> initSockets[N_AGENTS];

   tlm_utils::simple_target_socket_tagged
   <SctgToOsciTlm, DATA_WIDTH> targetSockets[N_AGENTS];
};
```

3 EXAMPLE NETWORKS

The TG package includes currently two example networks: simple bus and 2-D mesh. Their properties are introduced briefly in this section.

3.1 Simple bus

An untimed shared bus model. Port address must match the PE id. By default supports 4, 9, 16, 25, 36 or 64 agents. Modify `hw_lib/simple_bus/systemc/sbus_factory.*` files to add additional sizes.

```
<noc class="simple_bus" type="sc_tlm_1" subtype="4_agents">

  <router_list>
     <router width="32" id="0" name="r1" frequency="50" type="">
        <port name="p1" id="0" type="ptk_if" address="0x00000000"/>
        <port name="p2" id="1" type="ptk_if" address="0x00000001"/>
        <port name="p3" id="2" type="ptk_if" address="0x00000002"/>
        <port name="p4" id="3" type="ptk_if" address="0x00000003"/>
      </router>
   </router_list>

   <terminal_list>
      ...
   </terminal_list>

</noc>
```

Class	Type	Subtype	Notes
simple_bus	sc_tlm_1	*n*_agents	OSCI TLM 2.0 nearly untimed shared bus model with two timing points

3.2 2-D mesh

The 2-D mesh included in TG package is depicted in figure 4. Every IP is connected to a single router which in turn connects up to four adjacent routers. The IP's network interface has a packet codec that encodes the sent data for the network and decodes the incoming data for the IP.

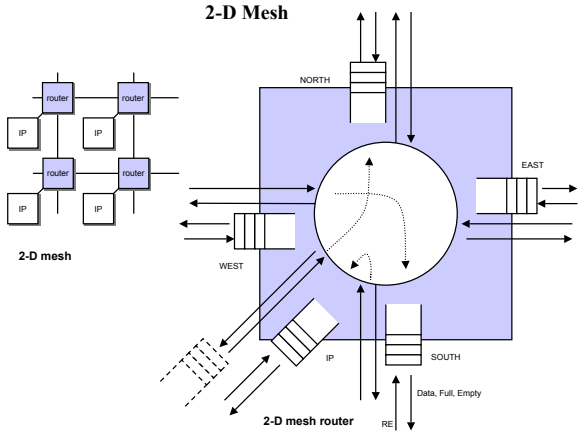

Figure 4: *2-D mesh network and router overview*

The first four hexes of the address define the row number and the last four hexes the column number.

```
<noc class="mesh_2d" type="sc_rtl_1" subtype="2x2">

  <router_list>
     <router width="32" id="0" name="mesh_r1" frequency="50" type="mesh_router">
         <port name="mesh_p1" id="0" type="ptk_if" address="0x00000000"/>
     </router>
     <router width="32" id="1" name="mesh_r2" frequency="50" type="mesh_router">
         <port name="mesh_p2" id="1" type="ptk_if" address="0x00000001"/>
     </router>
     <router width="32" id="2" name="mesh_r3" frequency="50" type="mesh_router">
         <port name="mesh_p3" id="2" type="ptk_if" address="0x00010000"/>
     </router>
     <router width="32" id="3" name="mesh_r4" frequency="50" type="mesh_router">
         <port name="mesh_p4" id="3" type="ptk_if" address="0x00010001"/>
     </router>
  </router_list>

  <terminal_list>
     ...
  </terminal_list>

</noc>
```

Class	Type	Subtype	Notes
mesh_2d	vhd	NxM	VHDL model, usage requires a simulator capable of mixed language simulation
	sc_rtl_1	NxM	SystemC RTL model with 4-state variables
	sc_rtl_2	NxM	SystemC RTL model with 2-state variables
	sc_ocp_tl3_1	NxM	OCP TLM2 TL3 model
	sc_tlm_1	NxM	OSCI TLM 2.0 AT model using two timing points for transactions

The following table lists the RTL model template parameters one can change in the source code.

Name	Meaning	Notes
n_ag_g	Number of agents	By default 4,9,16,25,36 and 64 supported
rows_g	Number of rows	By default 2,3,4,5,6 and 8 supported
cols_g	Number of columns	By default 2,3,4,5,6 and 8 supported
stfw_en_g	Enable store-and-forward	0 = disable, 1 = enable
data_width_g	Data bus width	
addr_width_g	Address bus width	
packet_length_g	Packet length in words	Must be greater or equal to resource's packet_size
tx_len_width_g	Number of bits to code tx length	
timeout_g	Waiting time for packet completition	
fill_packet_g	Enable packet fill with dummy data	0 = disable, 1 = enable
lut_en_g	Enable the use of lut in packet codec	0 = disable, 1 = enable
net_type_g	Network type selection	0 = mesh
len_flit_en_g	Enable length flit	0 = disable, 1 = enable
oaddr_flit_en_g	Enable original address flit	0 = disable, 1 = enable
status_en_g	Enable status	0 = disable, 1 = enable
fifo_depth_g	Router fifo depth in words	
mesh_freq_g	Network frequency (Hz)	
ip_freq_g	IP frequency (Hz)	

4 XML TAGS LISTING

4.1 <system>

```
<system>
```

Root tag of the model.

Tags	Count	Notes
<application>	1	
<mapping>	1	
<platform>	1	
<constraints>	1	

Attributes	Type	Description
none		

4.2 <application>

```
<system>
  <application>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<service>	0+	
<task_graph>	1+	
<task_connection>	0+	

Attributes	Type	Description
none		

4.3 <service>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <service>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<task>	1+	

Attributes	Type	Description
id	natural	Required
name	string	Optional

4.3.1 service's <task>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <service>
      <task>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
id	natural	Required, refers to <task> in <task_graph>

4.4 <task_graph>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<task>	1+	
<task_connection>	1+	
<event_list>	1+	

Attributes	Type	Description
none		

4.5 <task>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
      <task>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<in_port>	1+	
<out_port>	0+	
<trigger>	1+	
<restriction>	0+	Not implemented

Attributes	Type	Description
id	natural	Required, must be unique
name	string	Optional
class	string	Required

4.5.1 <in_port>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
      <task>
        <in_port>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
id	natural	Required, unique in group of task's <in_port> and <out_port> tags

4.5.2 <out_port>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
      <task>
        <out_port>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
id	natural	Required, unique in group of task's <in_port> and <out_port> tags

4.5.3 <trigger>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
      <task>
        <trigger>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<in_port>	1+	
<exec_count>	1+	

Attributes	Type	Description
dependence_type	string	Optional. Either “or” or “and”, default “or”

4.5.4 trigger's <in_port>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
      <task>
        <trigger>
          <in_port>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
id	natural	Required, id must be one of task's own in_port

4.5.5 <exec_count>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
      <task>
        <trigger>
          <exec_count>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<op_count>	1+	
<send>	0+	
<next_state>	1	

Attributes	Type	Description
min	natural	
max	natural	
mod_period	natural	
mod_phase	natural	

4.5.6 <op_count>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
      <task>
        <trigger>
           <exec_count>
             <op_count>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<int_ops>	0..1	At least one of the ops tags must be present
<float_ops>	0..1	At least one of the ops tags must be present
<mem_ops>	0..1	At least one of the ops tags must be present

Attributes	Type	Description
prob	double	Optional, probability from zero to one, defaul one

4.5.7 <int_ops>, <float_ops>, <mem_ops>, <byte_amount>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
      <task>
        <trigger>
           <exec_count>
             <op_count>
               <int_ops>
               <float_ops>
               <mem_ops>
             <send>
               <byte_amount>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<polynomial>	0..1	Mutually exclusive with <distribution>
<distribution>	0..1	Mutually exclusive with <polynomial>

Attributes	Type	Description
none		

4.5.8 <polynomial>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
      <task>
        <trigger>
           <exec_count>
             <op_count>
               <int_ops>
                 <polynomial>
               <float_ops>
                 <polynomial>
               <mem_ops>
                 <polynomial>
             <send>
               <byte_amount>
                 <polynomial>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<param>	1+	

Attributes	Type	Description
none		

4.5.9 <param>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
      <task>
        <trigger>
           <exec_count>
             <op_count>
               <int_ops>
                 <polynomial>
                   <param>
               <float_ops>
                 <polynomial>
                   <param>
               <mem_ops>
                 <polynomial>
                   <param>
             <send>
               <byte_amount>
                 <polynomial>
                   <param>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
exp	natural	Required
value	xs:double	Required

4.5.10 <distribution>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
      <task>
        <trigger>
           <exec_count>
             <op_count>
               <int_ops>
                 <distribution>
               <float_ops>
                 <distribution>
               <mem_ops>
                 <distribution>
             <send>
               <byte_amount>
                 <distribution>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<uniform>	0..1	Mutually exclusive with <normal>
<normal>	0..1	Mutually exclusive with <uniform>

Attributes	Type	Description
none		

4.5.11 <uniform>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
      <task>
        <trigger>
           <exec_count>
             <op_count>
               <int_ops>
                 <distribution>
                   <uniform>
               <float_ops>
                 <distribution>
                   <uniform>
               <mem_ops>
                 <distribution>
                   <uniform>
             <send>
               <byte_amount>
                 <distribution>
                   <uniform>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
min	positive	Required
max	positive	Required

4.5.12 <normal>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
      <task>
        <trigger>
           <exec_count>
             <op_count>
               <int_ops>
                 <distribution>
                   <normal>
               <float_ops>
                 <distribution>
                   <normal>
               <mem_ops>
                 <distribution>
                   <normal>
             <send>
               <byte_amount>
                 <distribution>
                   <normal>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
mean	positive	Optional, if not specified the input amount is used as mean
standard_deviation	xs:double	Required, value must be greater than zero

4.5.13 <send>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
      <task>
        <trigger>
           <exec_count>
             <send>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<byte_amount>	1	

Attributes	Type	Description
out_id	natural	Required, must be one of task's own output ports
prob	xs:double	Optional, probability for sending, value from zero to one, default one

4.5.14 <next_state>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
      <task>
        <trigger>
          <next_state>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none	0	

Attributes	Type	Description
value	string	Required, possible values “FREE” and “READY”

4.6 <task_connection>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_connection>
    <task_graph>
      <task_connection>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none	0	

Attributes	Type	Description
src	natural	Required, source port's id
dst	natural	Required, destination port's id

4.7 <event_list>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
      <event_list>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<event>	1+	

Attributes	Type	Description
none		

4.7.1 <event>

```
<system>
  <application>
    <task_graph>
      <event_list>
        <event>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
id	natural	Required, must be unique in group of events
period	xs:double	Required (Optional if count is 1), time between sends
prob	xs:double	Required, probability for sending
out_port_id	natural	Required
amount	positive	Required, bytes to send
offset	double	Optional, time for first send, default zero
count	positive	Optional, how many times to send, default unlimited
name	string	Optional

4.8 <mapping>

```
<system>
  <mapping>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<resource>	1+	

Attributes	Type	Description
none		

4.8.1 <resource>

```
<system>
  <mapping>
    <resource>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<group>	1+	Mutually exclusive with <sw_platform>
<sw_platform>	1+	Mutually exclusive with <group>

Attributes	Type	Description
id	natural	Required
contents	string	Required, possible values “immutable” and “mutable”
name	string	Optional

4.8.2 <sw_platform>

```
<system>
  <mapping>
    <resource>
      <sw_platform>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<group>	1+	

Attributes	Type	Description
id	natural	Required
position	string	Required, possible values “immovable” and “movable”
contents	string	Required, possible values “immutable” and “mutable”
priority	natural	Optional

4.8.3 <group>

```
<system>
  <mapping>
    <resource>
      <group>
      <sw_platform>
        <group>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<task>	1+	

Attributes	Type	Description
id	natural	Required, refers to <task> in <task_graph>
position	string	Required, possible values “movable” and “immovable”
contents	string	Required, possible values “mutable” and “immutable”
name	string	Optional

4.8.4 group's <task>

```
<system>
  <mapping>
    <resource>
      <group>
        <task>
      <sw_platform>
        <group>
          <task>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
id	natural	Required, refers to <task> in <task_graph>
position	string	Required, possible values "movable" and "immovable"
name	string	Optional
priority	natural	Optional

4.9 <platform>

```
<system>
  <platform>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<resource_list>	1	
<noc>	1	

Attributes	Type	Description
none		

4.9.1 <resource_list>

```
<system>
  <platform>
    <resource_list>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<resource>	1+	

Attributes	Type	Description
none		

4.9.2 <resource>

```
<system>
  <platform>
    <resource_list>
      <resource>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<port>	1+	
<parameter>	0+	

Attributes	Type	Description
id	natural	Required
name	string	Required
type	string	Required, type refers to a resource description in HW library
frequency	natural	Optional

4.9.3 resource's <port>

```
<system>
  <platform>
    <resource_list>
      <resource>
        <port>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
terminal	natural	Required, refers to a <connection>'s id in <terminal_list>

4.9.4 <noc>

```
<system>
  <platform>
    <noc>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<router_list>	0+	
<link_list>	0+	
<terminal_list>	1	
<parameter>	0+	

Attributes	Type	Description
type	string	Required

4.9.5 <router_list>

```
<system>
  <platform>
    <noc>
      <router_list>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<router>	0+	

Attributes	Type	Description
none		

4.9.6 <router>

```
<system>
  <platform>
    <noc>
      <router_list>
        <router>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<port>	1+	

Attributes	Type	Description
id	natural	Required
type	string	Optional
frequency	natural	Required
width	positive	Required
name	string	Optional

4.9.7 router's <port>

```
<system>
  <platform>
    <noc>
      <router_list>
        <router>
          <port>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<parameter>	0+	

Attributes	Type	Description
id	natural	Required
type	string	Optional
name	string	Optional
width	positive	Optional
address	string	Required, TG uses this when sending packets

4.9.8 <link_list>

```
<system>
  <platform>
    <noc>
      <link_list>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<link>	0+	

Attributes	Type	Description
default_width	positive	Optional

4.9.9 <link>

```
<system>
  <platform>
    <noc>
      <link_list>
        <link>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
id	natural	Required
src_router	natural	Required
dst_router	natural	Required
src_port	natural	Required
dst_port	natural	Required
name	string	Optional
width	positive	Optional

4.9.10 <terminal_list>

```
<system>
  <platform>
    <noc>
      <terminal_list>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<connection>	1+	
<network_interface>	1	

Attributes	Type	Description
none		

4.9.11 <connection>

```
<system>
  <platform>
    <noc>
      <terminal_list>
        <connection>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
id	natural	Required
router	natural	Required, refers to router's id
port	natural	Required, refers to port's id
name	string	Optional
address	string	Optional

4.9.12 <network_interface>

```
<system>
  <platform>
    <noc>
      <terminal_list>
        <network_interface>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
type	string	Required
name	string	Optional

4.10 <constraints>

```
<system>
  <constraints>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
<rng_seed>	0..1	If not defined current system time is used as a seed
<sim_resolution>	1	
<sim_length>	1	
<measurements>	1	
<path_measurement>	0+	
<pe_lib>	1	
<log_packet>	0..1	
<log_token>	0..1	
<log_summary>	0..1	
<log_pe>	0..1	
<log_app>	0..1	
<cost_function>	0+	

Attributes	Type	Description
none		

4.10.1 <rng_seed>

```
<system>
  <constraints>
    <rng_seed>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
value	natural	Required, Used to seed random number generators

4.10.2 <sim_resolution>

```
<system>
  <constraints>
    <sim_resolution>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
time	double	Required, simulations resolution
unit	string	Required, possible values are fs, ps, ns, us, ms and s

4.10.3 <sim_length>

```
<system>
  <constraints>
    <sim_length>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
time	double	Required, simulations length
unit	string	Required, possible values are fs, ps, ns, us, ms and s

4.10.4 <measurements>

```
<system>
  <constraints>
    <measurements>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
time	double	Required, time between measurements
unit	string	Required, possible values are fs, ps, ns, us, ms and s

4.10.5 <path_measurement>

```
<system>
  <constraints>
    <path_measurement>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
src	natural	Required, starting source port id
dst	natural	Required, final destination port id

For every token sent through the starting source port there must be exacly one incoming token to final destination port.

4.10.6 <pe_lib>

```
<system>
  <constraints>
    <pe_lib>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
file	string	Required, path to processing element library

4.10.7 <log_*>

```
<system>
  <constraints>
    <log_packet>
    <log_token>
    <log_summary>
    <log_pe>
    <log_app>
    <log_execmon>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
file	string	Required, file to store logs

4.10.8 <cost_function>

```
<system>
  <constraints>
    <cost_function>
```

Tags	Count	Notes
none		

Attributes	Type	Description
func	string	Required, function to be evaluated, parser understands floating point numbers, four basic operators ($+ - */$), parenthesis and variables listed in the table below

Variable	Description
pu_[n]	Average PE utilization for PE with id *n*, value from zero to one
pu_[name]	Average PE utilization for PE with name *name*, value from zero to one
pu_avg	Average PE utilization for all PEs, value from zero to one
pf_[id]	Frequency (MHz) of PE with id *id*
tc_[id]	Total times task with id *id* has been triggered
tc_[name]	Total times task with name *name* has been triggered
tc_tot	Total times all tasks have been triggered
tt_[id]_[n]	Time when task *id* has been triggered *n* times, in seconds
ec_[n]	Total times event with id *n* has happened
ec_tot	Total times events have happened
lat_[src]_[dst]_min	Minimun latency for token from out_port *src* to in_port *dst*
lat_[src]_[dst]_max	Maximun latency for token from out_port *src* to in_port *dst*
lat_[src]_[dst]_avg	Average latency for token from out_port *src* to in_port *dst*
latf_[src]_[dst]_min	Minimun latency for token from out_port *src* to in_port *dst*, only fully sent counted
latf_[src]_[dst]_max	Maximun latency for token from out_port *src* to in_port *dst*, only fully sent counted
latf_[src]_[dst]_avg	Average latency for token from out_port *src* to in_port *dst*, only fully sent counted
path_[src]_[dst]_min	Minimum latency for a token to travel through path from out_port *src* to in_port *dst*
path_[src]_[dst]_max	Maximum latency for a token to travel through path from out_port *src* to in_port *dst*
path_[src]_[dst]_avg	Average latency for a token to travel through path from out_port *src* to in_port *dst*
path_[src]_[dst]_count	How many times path from out_port *src* to in_port *dst* has been completed

Tokens that were not fully sent through the network get a latency from their creation to the end of the simulation for *lat_* variables. *latf_* variables don't include tokens that were not completely sent. Latencies are measured in seconds.