

# An extensible version of the C programming language for Embedded Programming

C the Difference - C the Future

What if...

you could change  
languages like you can  
change programs?

```
module WriteATestCase from cdesignpaper.unittest imports nothing {

  var int8_t failedTests;

  int32_t main(int32_t argc, int8_t*[ ] argv) {
    testMultiply();
    return failedTests;
  } main (function)

  void testMultiply() {
    if ( times2(21) != 42 ) { failedTests++; } if
  } testMultiply (function)

  int8_t times2(int8_t a) {
    return 2 * a;
  } times2 (function)
}
```

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# mbeddr C Approach



An extensible C  
with support for  
formal methods,  
requirements  
and PLE.

# IDE for Everything

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ext.dev (L:\wes-assembla\ml)

- cc
- cdesignpaper
- components
- statemachine
- tests
  - HPL
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Modules Pool

```
module ADemoModule from cdesignpaper.screenshot imports nothing {  
  enum MODE { FAIL: AUTO: MANUAL: }  
  
  statemachine Counter {  
    in start() <no binding>  
      [step(int[0..10] size) <no binding>] trace R2  
    out started() <no binding>  
      resetted() <no binding> {resettable}  
      incremented(int[0..10] newVal) <no binding>  
    vars int[0..10] currentVal = 0  
      int[0..10] LIMIT = 10  
    states (initial = start)  
      state start {  
        on start [ ] -> countState { send started(); }  
      }  
      state step ^inEvents (cdesignpaper.screenshot.ADemoModule)  
        on step [currentVal + size > LIMIT] -> start { send resetted(); }  
        on step [currentVal + size <= LIMIT] -> countState {  
          Error: wrong number of arguments + size;  
          send incremented();  
        }  
        on start [ ] -> start { send resetted(); } {resettable}  
      }  
    } end statemachine  
  
  MODE nextMode(MODE mode, int8 t speed) {  
    return [ MODE, FAIL  
      | mode == AUTO | mode == MANUAL | trace R1;  
      | speed < 50 | AUTO | MANUAL  
      | speed >= 50 | MANUAL | MANUAL
```

A debugger  
for all of that

SDK for building  
your own  
Language  
Extensions!

# IDE for Everything



JetBrains

**MPS**

Open Source

Language Workbench

# Challenges

in embedded software  
development

Abstraction  
without  
Runtime Cost

C considered  
unsafe



# Program Annotations

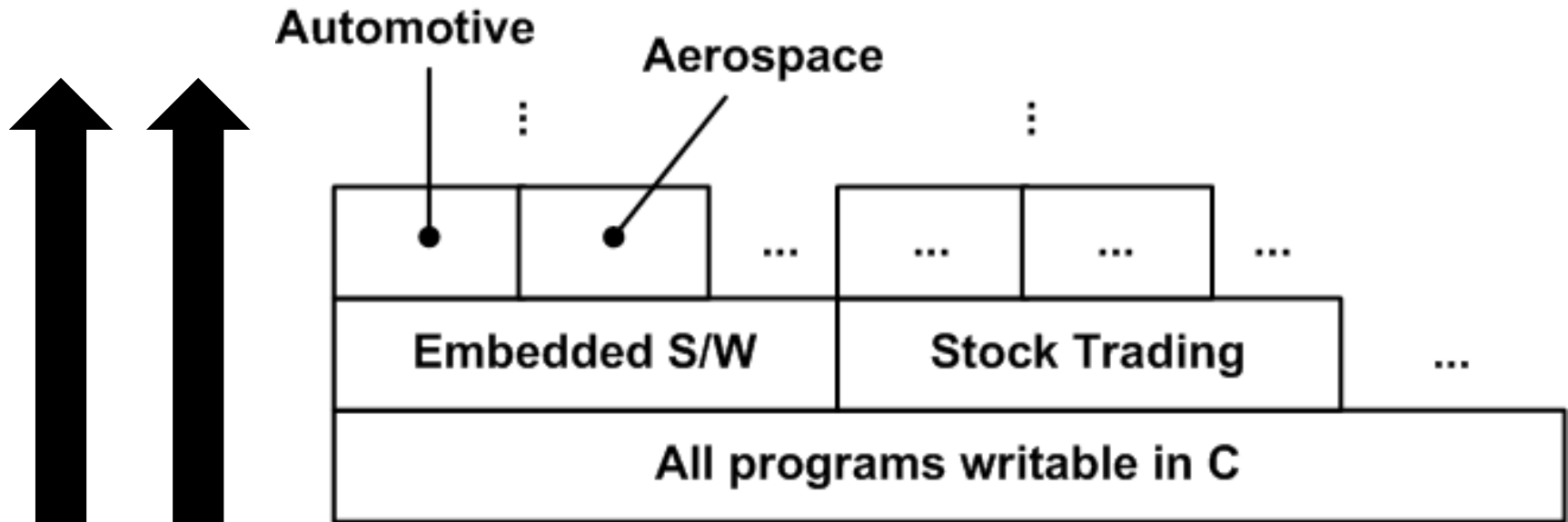
# Static Checks and Verification

# Product Lines and Requirement Traces

Separate, hard to  
integrate Tools

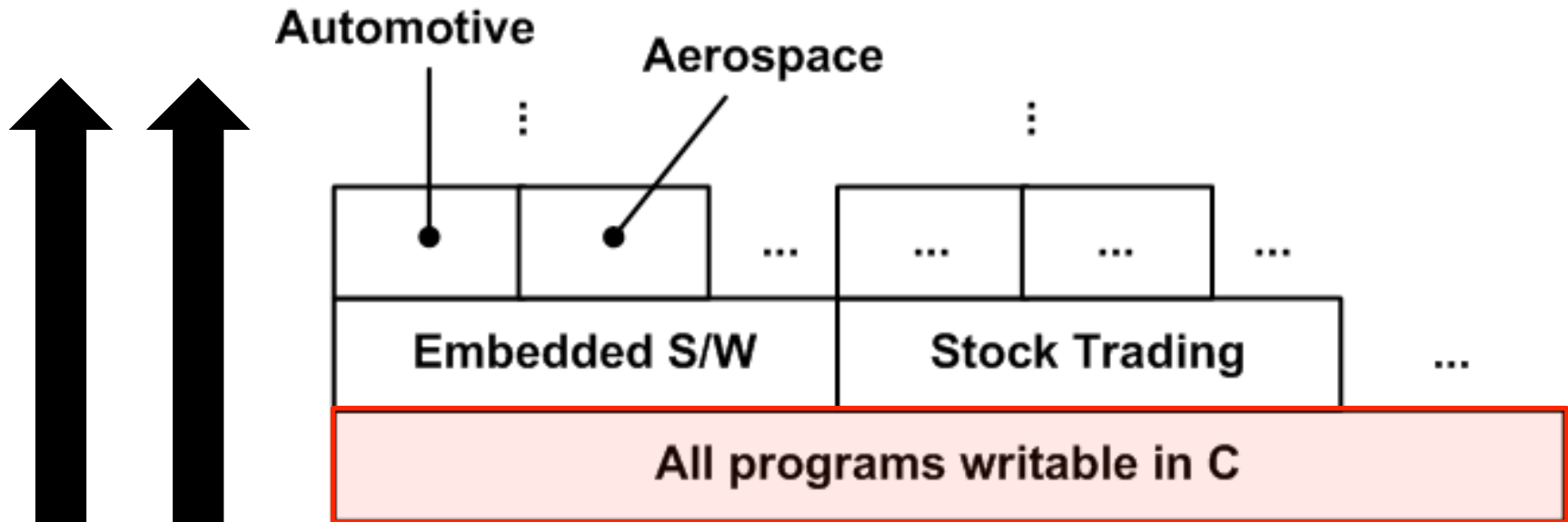
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Solution  
Philosophy

# Extension



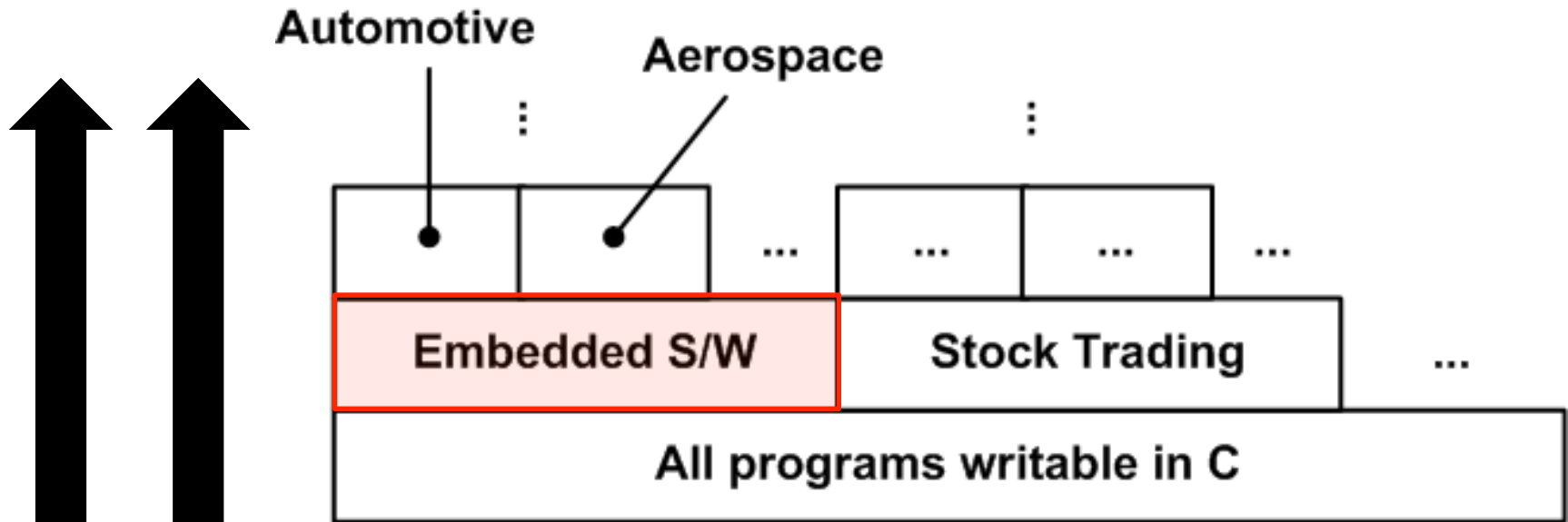
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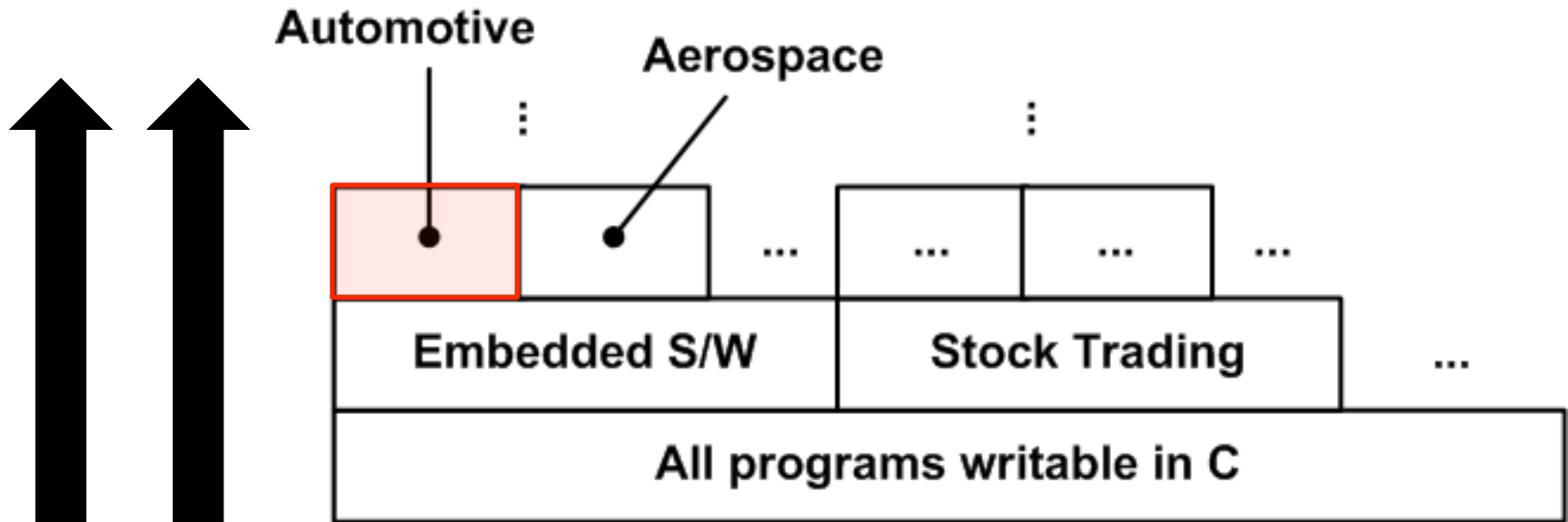
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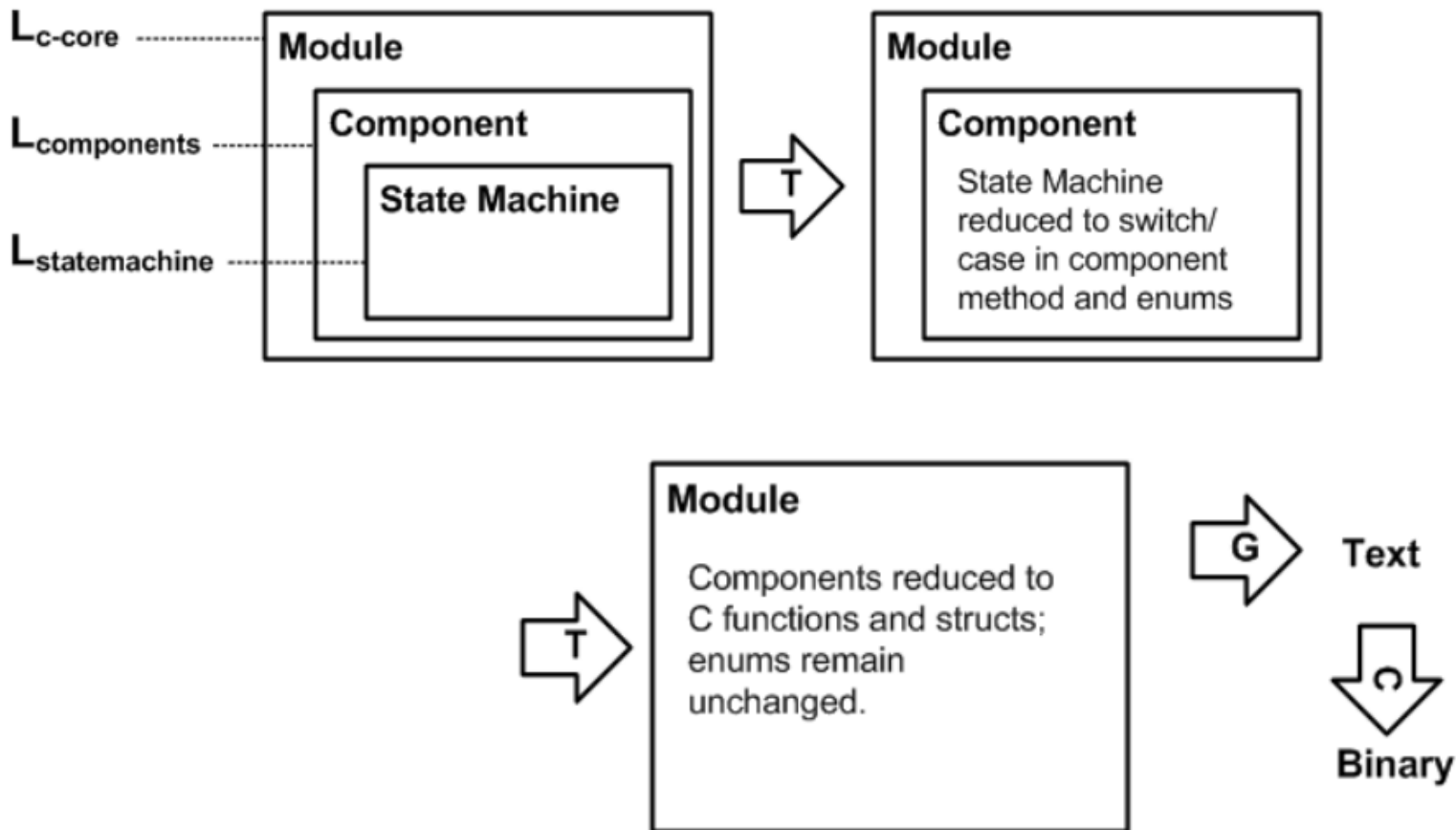


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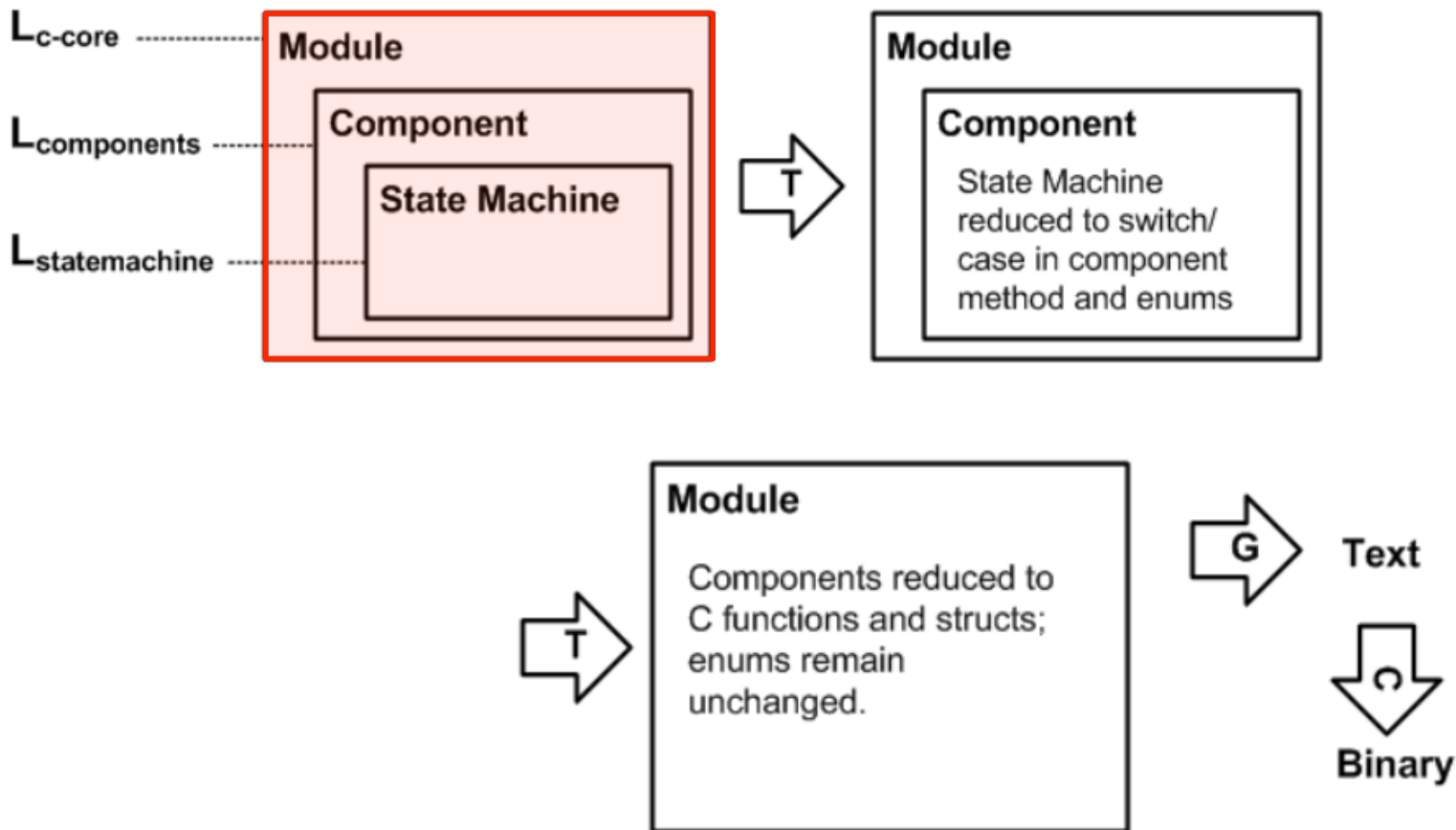


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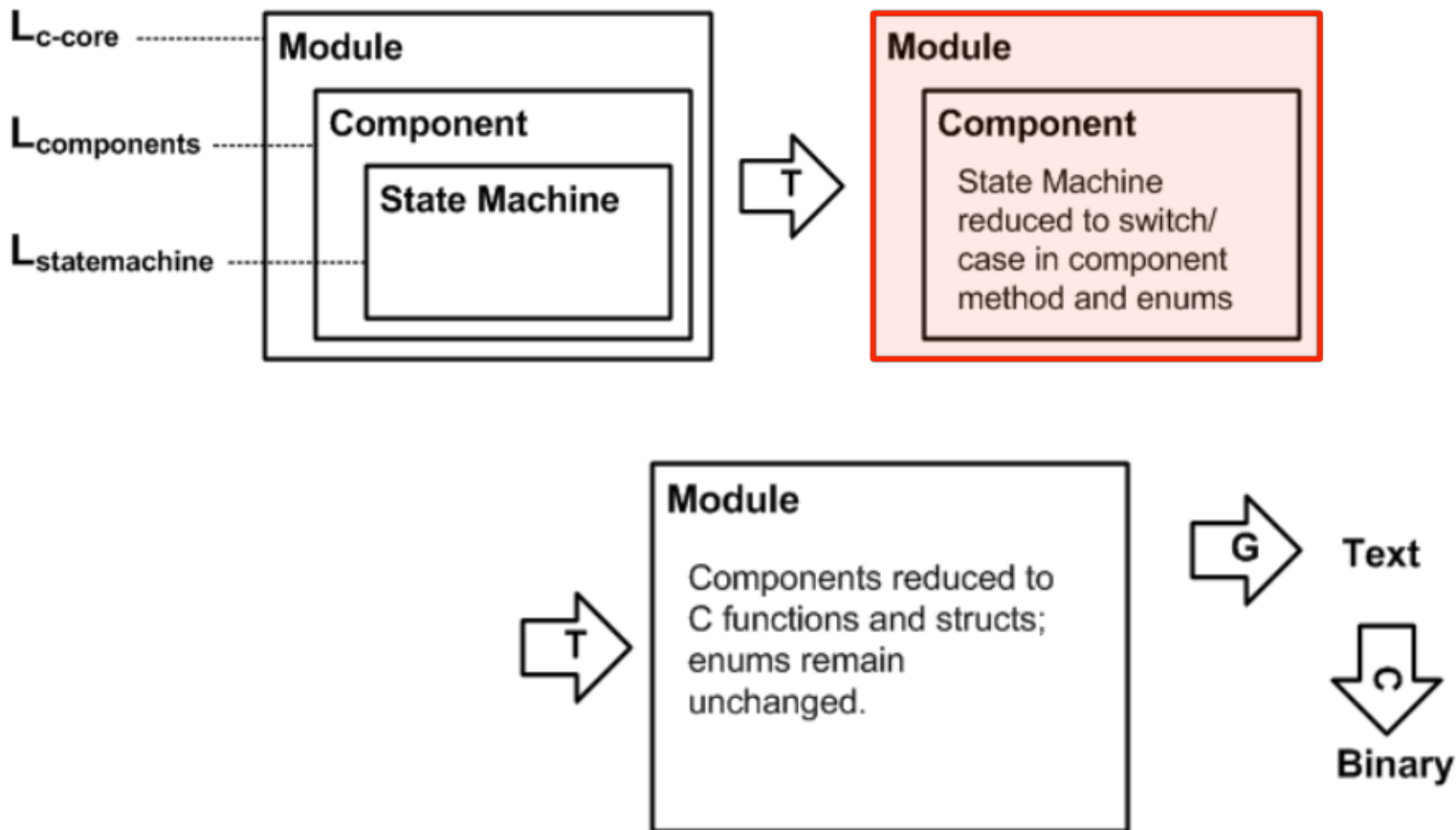
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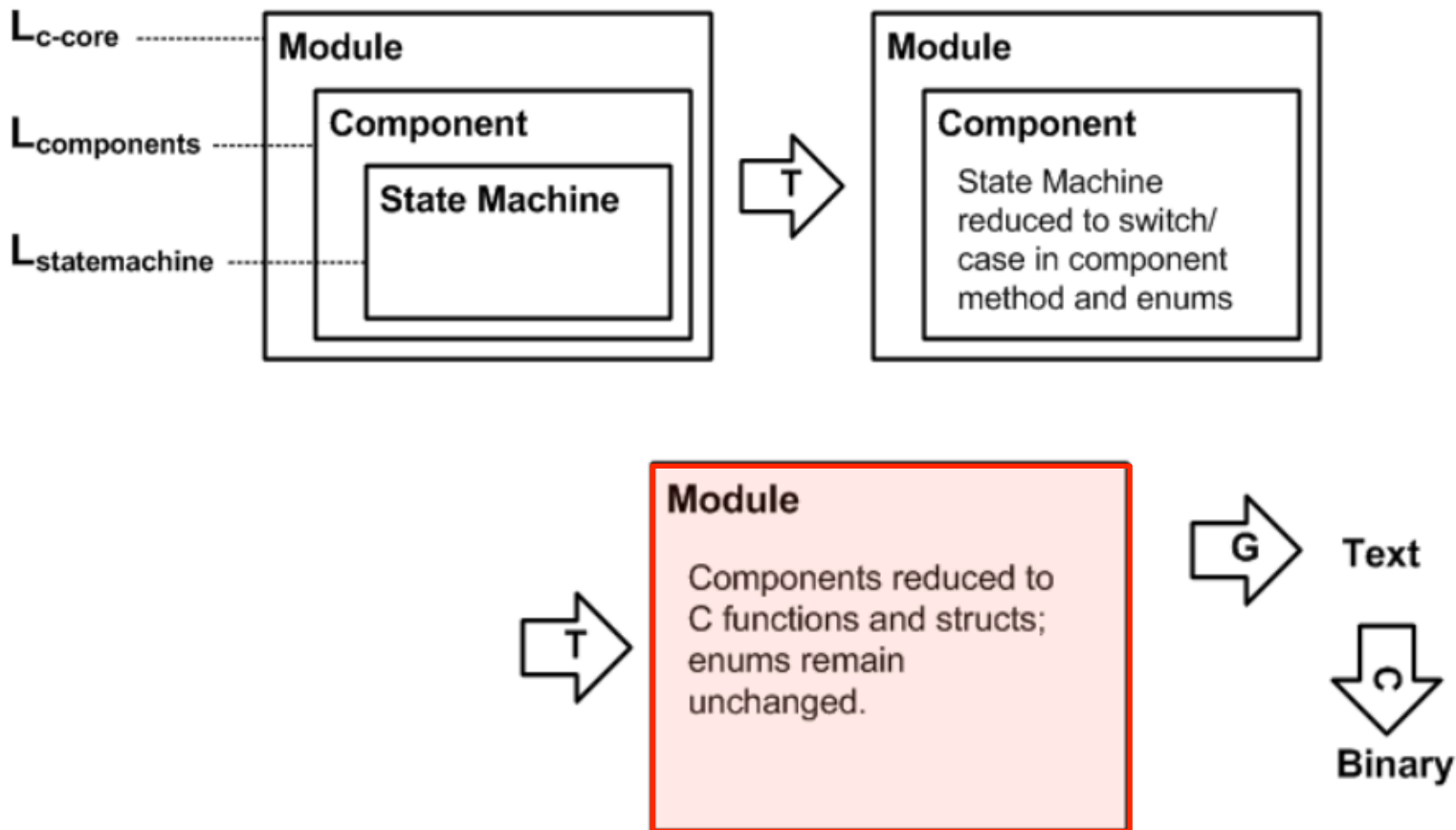
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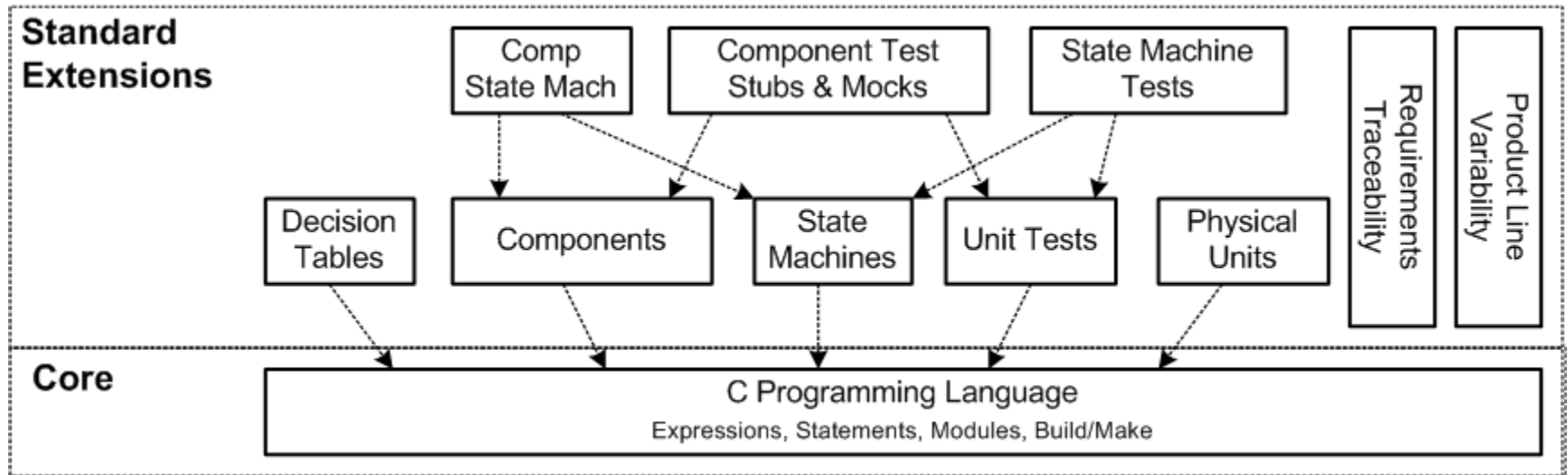


# Language Extension

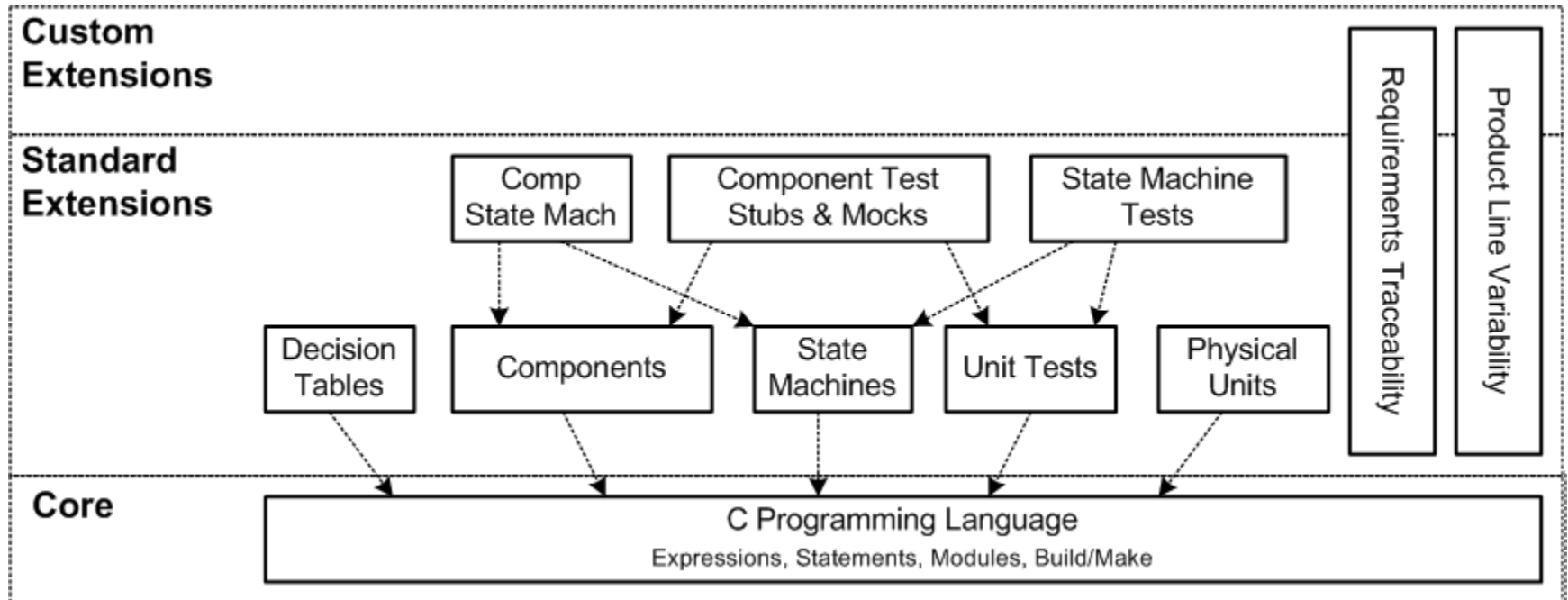
**Core**

C Programming Language  
Expressions, Statements, Modules, Build/Make

# Language Extension



# Language Extension





Subset of  
Available  
Extensions

All of C  
(cleaned-up)

```
module Calculator from cdesignpaper.helloWorld imports nothing {  
  
    exported int8_t add(int8_t x, int8_t y) {  
        return x + y;  
    } add (function)  
  
    exported int8_t multiply(int8_t x, int8_t y) {  
        return x * y;  
    } multiply (function)  
}
```

```
module HelloWorld from cdesignpaper.helloWorld imports Calculator {  
  
    int32_t main(int32_t argc, int8_t*[ ] argv) {  
        return add(2, 2) + multiply(10, 2);  
    } main (function)  
}
```

Retargettable  
Build  
Integration

## Build Configuration for model MutiBot\_Test

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### Target Platform:

desktop

compiler: gcc

compiler options: -std=c99

debug options: -g

### Configuration Items

reporting: printf

components: no middleware

### Binaries

executable MultiBotTest isTest: true {

used libraries

<< ... >>

included modules

Driver

TestDriveTrain

EcRobotAPI

Messages

TestOrienter

DriveTrain

Orienter

}

### Target Platform:

lego

oil file: ATMEL\_AT91SAM7S256

path to ecrobot.mak: /opt/lego/nxtOSEK/ecrobot/

# Native Support for Unit Testing and Logging

```
module UnitTestDemo from cdesignpaper.unittest imports nothing {  
  
  int32_t main(int32_t argc, int8_t*[ ] argv) {  
    return test testMultiply;  
  } main (function)  
  
  exported test case testMultiply {  
    assert(0) times2(21) == 42;  
    if ( 1 > 2 ) {  
      fail(1);  
    } if  
  
  } testMultiply(test case)  
  
  int8_t times2(int8_t a) {  
    return 2 * a;  
  } times2 (function)  
}
```

```
module ARealHelloWorld from cdesignpaper.helloWorld imports nothing {

  message list HelloWorldMessages {
    INFO hello(string name) active: Hello World
    ERROR wrongNumberOfArguments(int8_t expected, int8_t actual) active: Wrong number of Arguments
  }

  int32_t main(int32_t argc, int8_t*[ ] argv) {
    report(0) HelloWorldMessages.wrongNumberOfArguments(1, argc) {
      if ( argc != 1 ) {
        report;
        return 1;
      } if
    };
    report(0) HelloWorldMessages.hello(argv[0]) on/if;
    return 0;
  } main (function)
}
```

```
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  INFO hello(string name) active: Hello World
  ERROR wrongNumberOfArguments(int8_t expected, int8_t actual) inactive: Wrong number of Arguments
}
```



# Physical Units

## Unit Declarations

derived unit  $N = kg\ m\ s^{-2}$  for force

derived unit  $Pa = N\ m^{-2}$  for pressure

derived unit  $N^2 = kg^2\ m^2\ s^{-2}$  for anotherForce

derived unit  $v = m\ s^{-1}$  for velocity

derived unit  $a = m\ s^{-2}$  for acceleration

convertible unit  $F$  for temperature

convertible unit  $C$  for temperature



## Conversion Rules

conversion  $F \rightarrow C = val * 9 / 5 + 32$

conversion  $C \rightarrow F = (val - 32) * 5 / 9$

```
void testBasicUnits() {
    int8_t/N/ n = 3 N;
    int8_t/N/ n2 = 3 N2;

    int8_t/N/ n3 = 3 kg m s-2;
    int8_t/N/ n4 = 3 N * 4s / 3s;
    int8_t/N m/ n5 = n4 * 3 m;

    int8_t/cd/ aLuminousIntensity = 0cd;
    int8_t/m/ length;
    int8_t/s/ time;

    int8_t/m s / speed = length / time;

    int8_t/v/ thisShouldNotWork = length + time;

    length l1 = length + length;
    length l2 = length * 33;
    length l3 = length / 3;
    length l4 = length + 3;

    if ( 10kg > 20 ) { } if
    if ( 10kg > 20kg ) { } if
    if ( 10kg > 20 N ) { } if

} testBasicUnits (function)
```

```
void fahrenheit() {
    int8_t/C/ temp1 = 10 C;
    int8_t/C/ temp2 = 20 F;
    int8_t/C/ temp3 = [20 F → C];
    int8_t/C/ temp4 = 20 F + 10 C;
} fahrenheit (function)
```

Components

Interfaces

Contracts

Instances

Mocks & Stubs

```
exported c/s interface Orienter on contract error MultibotMessages.prePostconditionFailed {
  int16_t heading()
  post(0) result >= 0 && result <= 359
  void orientTowards(int16_t heading, uint8_t speed, DIRECTION dir)
  pre(0) heading >= 0 && heading <= 359
}
```

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```

```

exported component OrienterImpl extends nothing {
  ports:
    provides Orienter orienter
    requires EcRobot_Compass compass
    requires EcRobot_Motor motorLeft
    requires EcRobot_Motor motorRight
  contents:
    field int16_t[5] headingBuffer

    void orienter_orientTowards(int16_t heading, uint8_t speed, DIRECTION dir) <-
      op orienter.orientTowards {
        int16_t currentDir = compass.heading();
        if ( dir == COUNTERCLOCKWISE ) {
          motorLeft.set_speed(-1 * ((int8_t) speed));
          motorRight.set_speed(((int8_t) speed));
          while ( currentDir != heading ) { currentDir = compass.heading(); } while
        } else {
          motorLeft.set_speed(((int8_t) speed));
          motorRight.set_speed(-1 * ((int8_t) speed));
          while ( currentDir != heading ) { currentDir = compass.heading(); } while
        } if
          motorLeft.stop();
          motorRight.stop();
        }

    int16_t orienter_heading() <- op orienter.heading {
      return compass.heading();
    }
}

```

```

exported test case testDriveTrain {
  initialize instances;
  assert(0) dt.currentSpeed() == 0;
  dt.driveContinuouslyForward(50);
  dt.stop();
  validate mock motorLeft;
  validate mock motorRight;
} testDriveTrain(test case)

```

```

instance configuration instances extends nothing {
  instances:
  instance MotorLeftMock motorLeft
  instance MotorRightMock motorRight
  instance DriveTrainImpl driveTrain
  instance EcUtil util
  connectors:
  connect driveTrain.motorLeft to motorLeft.motor
  connect driveTrain.motorRight to motorRight.motor
  connect driveTrain.util to util.util
  adapter:
  << ... >>
}

```

```

mock component MotorLeftMock {
  report messages: true
  ports:
  provides EcRobot_Motor motor
  expectations:
  total no. of calls is 2
  sequence {
    0: motor.set_speed {
      0: parameter speed: speed == 50
    }
    1: motor.stop
  }
}

```

```

mock component MotorRightMock {
  report messages: true
  ports:
  provides EcRobot_Motor motor
  expectations:
  total no. of calls is 2
  sequence {
    0: motor.set_speed {
      0: parameter speed: speed == 50
    }
    1: motor.stop
  }
}

```

State Machines

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Model Checking

verifiable

```
statemachine Counter {
  in start() <no binding>
    step(int[0..10] size) <no binding>
  out someEvent(int[0..100] x, boolean b) => handle_someEvent
    resetted() => resetted
  vars int[0..100] currentVal = 0
    int[0..100] LIMIT = 10
  states (initial = initialState)
    state initialState {
      on start [ ] -> countState { send someEvent(100, true && false || true); }
    }
    state countState {
      on step [currentVal + size > LIMIT] -> initialState { send resetted(); }
      on step [currentVal + size <= LIMIT] -> countState { currentVal = currentVal + size; }
      on start [ ] -> initialState { }
    }
  } end statemachine
```



```

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      on start [ ] -> initialState { }
    }
} end statemachine

```

Property	Status	Trace Size
State 'initialState' can be reached	SUCCESS	
State 'countState' can be reached	SUCCESS	
Variable 'currentVal' is always between its defi...	SUCCESS	
Variable 'LIMIT' is always between its defined ...	SUCCESS	
State 'initialState' has deterministic transitions	SUCCESS	
State 'countState' has deterministic transitions	SUCCESS	
Transition 0 of state 'initialState' is not dead	SUCCESS	
Transition 0 of state 'countState' is not dead	SUCCESS	
Transition 1 of state 'countState' is not dead	SUCCESS	
Transition 2 of state 'countState' is not dead	SUCCESS	
Condition 'currentVal == 8' can be true	FAIL	4

Node	Value
<b>State initialState</b>	
LIMIT	10
currentVal	0
<b>State initialState</b>	
in_event: start	start
LIMIT	10
currentVal	0
<b>State countState</b>	
in_event: step	step(8)
out_event:someEvent	someEvent(100, true)
LIMIT	10
currentVal	0
<b>State countState</b>	
LIMIT	10
currentVal	8

# Code Verification

```

requires n >= 0 && \valid_range( t , 0 , n - 1 )
behavior success
assumes
  \forall integer k1; integer k2; : 0 <= k1 && k1 <= k2 && k2 <= n - 1 ==> t[k1] <= t[k2] ;
assumes
  \exists integer k; : 0 <= k && k <= n - 1 && t[k] == v ;
ensures \result >= -1 && \result <= n
int16_t binarySearch(int16_t* t, int16_t n, int16_t v) {
  int16_t l = 0;
  int16_t u = n - 1;

  [loop invariant 0 <= l && u <= n - 1]
  [loop variant u - l]
  while ( l <= u ) {
    int16_t m = (l + u - 1) / 2;
    if ( t[m] < v ) {
      l = m + 1;
    } else if ( t[m] > v ) { u = m - 1; } else {
      return m;
    }
  } while

  return -1;
} binarySearch (function)

```

Proof obligations	Alt-Ergo 0.92.2	Simplify 1.5.7	Yices 1.0.29 (SS)	Statistics
Function Algorithms_binarySearch Default behavior	✓			4/4
1. loop invariant initially holds	●	—	—	
2. loop invariant initially holds	●	—	—	
3. loop invariant preserved	●	—	—	
4. loop invariant preserved	●	—	—	
Function Algorithms_binarySearch Normal behavior `suçcess`	✗			5/6
1. postcondition	●	—	—	
2. postcondition	●	—	—	
3. postcondition	●	—	—	
4. postcondition	●	—	—	
5. postcondition	●	—	—	
6. postcondition	?	—	—	

Requirements  
Tracability

```
requirements HighLevelRequirements
```

```
  show traces true
```

```
functional Main: Program has to run from the command line ...
```

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  functional Arg2: Argument Count must be 2 ...
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```
requirements modules: HighLevelRequirements
```

```
module ExampleCode from test.ts.requirements.code imports StrUtil {
```

```
int8_t add(int8_t a, int8_t b) { trace AddFct
  return a + b;
} add (function)
```

```
int8_t main(string[ ] args, int8_t argc) { trace Main
  if ( argc == 2 ) { trace Arg2
    return [ add(str2int(args[0]), str2int(args[1])) ] trace Add;
  } else {
    [return -1; ] trace FailOtherwise;
  } if
} main (function)
```

```
}
```

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requirements HighLevelRequirements
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  int8_t add(int8_t a, int8_t b) {
```

```
    return a + b;
```

```
  } add (function)
```

```
  int8_t main(string[ ] args, int8_t argc) {
```

```
    if ( argc == 2 ) {
```

```
      return add(str2int(args[0]), str2int(args[1]));
```

```
    } else {
```

```
      return -1;
```

```
    } if
```

```
  } main (function)
```

```
}
```

# Product Line Variability



```
feature model DeploymentConfiguration
```

```
  root ? {  
    logging  
    test  
    valueTest [int8_t value]  
  }
```

```
configuration model Debug configures DeploymentConfiguration
```

```
  root {  
    logging  
    test  
    valueTest [value = 42]  
  }
```

```
configuration model Production configures DeploymentConfiguration
```

```
  root {  
    << ... >>  
  }
```

Variability from FM: DeploymentConfiguration  
Rendering Mode: product line

```
module ApplicationModule from test.ex.cc.fm imports SensorModule {  
  
  {logging}  
  message list messages {  
    INFO beginningMain() active: entering main function  
    INFO exitingMain() active: exitingMainFunction  
  }  
  
  exported test case testVar {  
    {logging}  
    report(0) messages.beginningMain() on/if;  
    int8_t x = getSensorValue(1) replace if {test} with 42;  
    {logging}  
    report(1) messages.exitingMain() on/if;  
    assert(2) x == 10 replace if {test} with 42;  
    {valueTest}  
    int8_t vv = value;  
    {valueTest}  
    assert(3) vv == 42;  
    int8_t ww = 22 replace if {valueTest} with 12 + value;  
    {!valueTest}  
    assert(4) ww == 22;  
    {valueTest}  
    assert(5) ww == 54;  
  } testVar(test case)  
  
  int32_t main(int32_t argc, string[ ] args) {  
    return test testVar;  
  } main (function)  
}
```

```
feature model DeploymentConfiguration  
root ? {  
  logging  
  test  
  valueTest [int8_t value]  
}  
  
configuration model Debug configures DeploymentConfiguration  
root {  
  logging  
  test  
  valueTest [value = 42]  
}  
  
configuration model Production configures DeploymentConfiguration  
root {  
  << ... >>  
}
```

Variability from FM: DeploymentConfiguration

Rendering Mode: variant rendering config: Debug

```
module ApplicationModule from test.ex.cc.fm imports {

  message list messages {
    INFO beginningMain() active: entering main function
    INFO exitingMain() active: exitingMainFunction
  }

  exported test case testVar {
    report(0) messages.beginningMain() on/if;
    int8_t x = 42;
    report(1) messages.exitingMain() on/if;
    assert(2) x == 42;
    int8_t vv = value (variant Debug);
    assert(3) vv == 42;
    int8_t ww = 12 + value (variant Debug);
    assert(5) ww == 54;
  } testVar(test case)

  int32_t main(int32_t argc, string[ ] args) {
    return test testVar;
  } main (function)
}
```

```
feature model DeploymentConfiguration
```

```
root ? {
  logging
  test
  valueTest [int8_t value]
}
```

```
configuration model Debug configures DeploymentConfiguration
```

```
root {
  logging
  test
  valueTest [value = 42]
}
```

```
configuration model Production configures DeploymentConfiguration
```

```
root {
  << ... >>
}
```

Variability from FM: DeploymentConfiguration

Rendering Mode: variant rendering config: Production

```
module ApplicationModule from test.ex.cc.fm imports SensorModule {
```

```
  exported test case testVar {  
    int8_t x = getSensorValue(1);  
    assert(2) x == 10;  
    int8_t ww = 22;  
    assert(4) ww == 22;  
  } testVar(test case)
```

```
  int32_t main(int32_t argc, string[ ] args) {  
    return test testVar;  
  } main (function)
```

```
}
```

```
feature model DeploymentConfiguration
```

```
  root ? {  
    logging  
    test  
    valueTest [int8_t value]  
  }
```

```
configuration model Debug configures DeploymentConfiguration
```

```
  root {  
    logging  
    test  
    valueTest [value = 42]  
  }
```

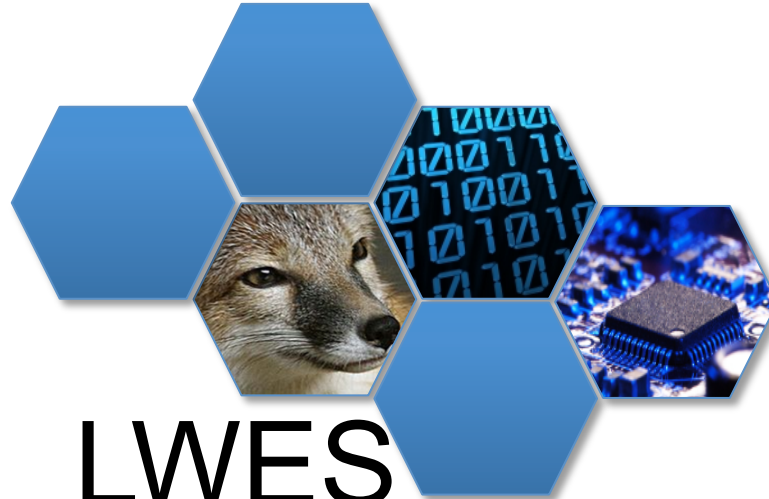
```
configuration model Production configures DeploymentConfiguration
```

```
  root {  
    << ... >>  
  }
```

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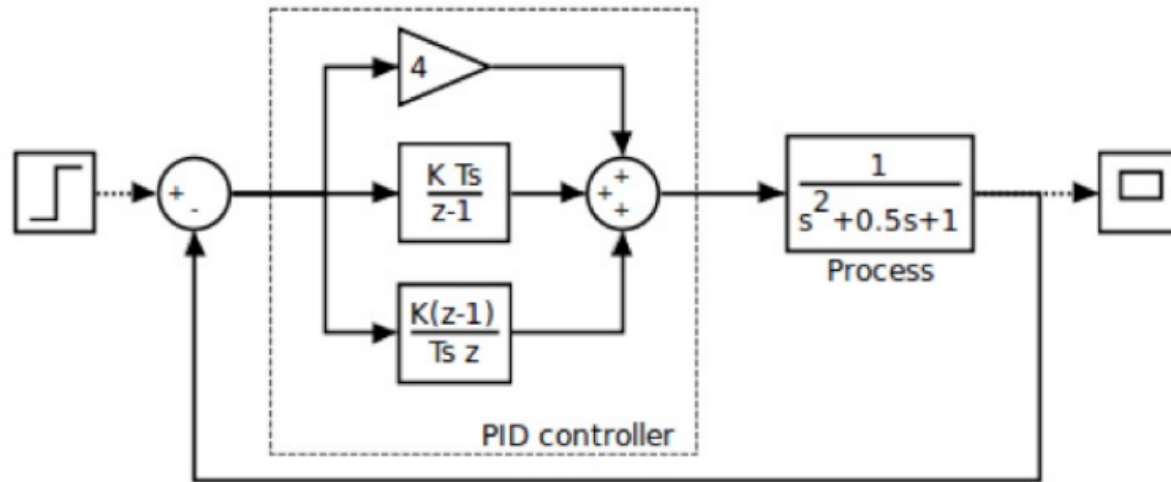


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