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## **Abstract**

This report presents MontiArc, a modeling language for the description of Component & Connector architectures. A component is a unit executing computations and/or storing data. Information flow between components is modeled via unidirectional connectors connecting typed, directed ports of the interfaces of components.

Language features of the ADL MontiArc include hierarchical decomposition of components, subtyping by structural inheritance, component type definitions and reference declarations for reuse, generic component types and configurable components, syntactic sugar for connectors, and controlled implicit creation of connections and subcomponent declarations.

This technical report gives an overview of the MontiArc language and is a reference for the MontiArc grammar intended to enable reuse and extension of MontiArc and MontiArc related tools.

MontiArc is implemented using the DSL framework MontiCore. Available tools include an editor with syntax highlighting and code completion as well as a simulation framework with a Java code generator.



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<sup>1</sup><http://www.sselab.de>



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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

Distributed interactive systems are systems that typically consist of multiple autonomous computation units that together – composed to a network of communicating nodes – achieve a common goal. The application areas of distributed and embedded systems [GKL<sup>+</sup>07] are vastly growing and so is the size of the individual systems. Typically, interactive systems are composed of smaller systems or components, that are to a great extent independent of each other. Some concrete examples of distributed systems are:

- telecommunication systems,
- distributed business applications, e.g., service oriented architectures and services in the cloud,
- logical function nets that are mapped to control devices in embedded systems, e.g., in the automotive and avionic domain, or
- production lines and control units in automation technology and process engineering.

Components interact with each other by exchanging messages via their well defined interfaces. Typical kinds of communication are continuous streams of values produced by sensors, complex data messages, events that are propagated, or simple signals passed between components. Modeling the architecture and distribution of such systems allows early analysis of certain properties like the absence of deadlocks, interface compatibility of connected components, and simulation of effect propagation.

Many systems currently emerge in the new domain of Cyber-Physical Systems [GRSS12]. Cyber-Physical Systems are inherently distributed interacting in various ways using signals, messages and data. However, model based development of Cyber-Physical Systems become particularly interesting, when modelling the context of the software control, i.e. electric and

hydraulic signals as well as physical material (streams of fluids or gadgets) to simulate the system under development early. We provide an infrastructure to model these kinds of streams as well.

For the task of modeling distributed interactive systems by capturing elements of their logical or physical distribution we have developed MontiArc. MontiArc is a textual language defined using the DSL framework MontiCore [GKR<sup>+</sup>06, KRV07b, GKR<sup>+</sup>07, KRV08, GKR<sup>+</sup>08, KRV10, Kra10, www12b] and comes with an Eclipse integrated editor. To analyze and simulate the designed systems, MontiArc is extended with a simulation framework that can execute behavior implemented in Java and declaratively attached to MontiArc models. Language tooling including the simulator is available at the MontiArc website [www12a].

MontiArc allows modeling of function nets as described in [GHK<sup>+</sup>07, GHK<sup>+</sup>08a, GHK<sup>+</sup>08b, GKPR08, MPF09]. Using a set of feature views enables tracing of requirements to the logical system architecture to conceptually link artifacts throughout the development process. These feature views are later on composed to a logical system architecture that is deployed to concrete hard- and software components [GHK<sup>+</sup>08b].

MontiArc has also been extended with delta modeling concepts [CHS10] to  $\Delta$ -MontiArc [HRRS11, HKR<sup>+</sup>11a, HKR<sup>+</sup>11b]. It allows a modular definition of architectural variants starting from a core architecture. Features are added or removed by modular delta models that contain operations to add, remove, or modify elements of an architecture. New variants are generated by a sequence of deltas that transform the core architecture to the desired architectural variant.

In this report we will introduce the rationale behind MontiArc briefly in the following sections on a simple example. The language reference describing MontiArc's language features, the current version of MontiArc's grammar, and its context conditions is given in Chapters 2 and 3. MontiArc's semantics is described in Chapter 4.

## 1.1 MontiArc ADL

MontiArc is a framework for modeling and simulation of software architectures. The domain of the architecture description language (*ADL*) MontiArc are so called information-flow architectures which describe the components of a (software) system and their message-based communication. Following [MT00]'s taxonomy for ADLs a component is a unit which executes computations or stores data. It may have arbitrary complexity and size being a subsystem or a single function. A component has an explicitly defined interface via which it communicates with its environment. MontiArc distinguishes between component type definitions and subcomponent declarations. A *component type* defines the component's interface and its internal

structure using subcomponent declarations. A *subcomponent declaration* describes the inclusion of a component of a referenced type.

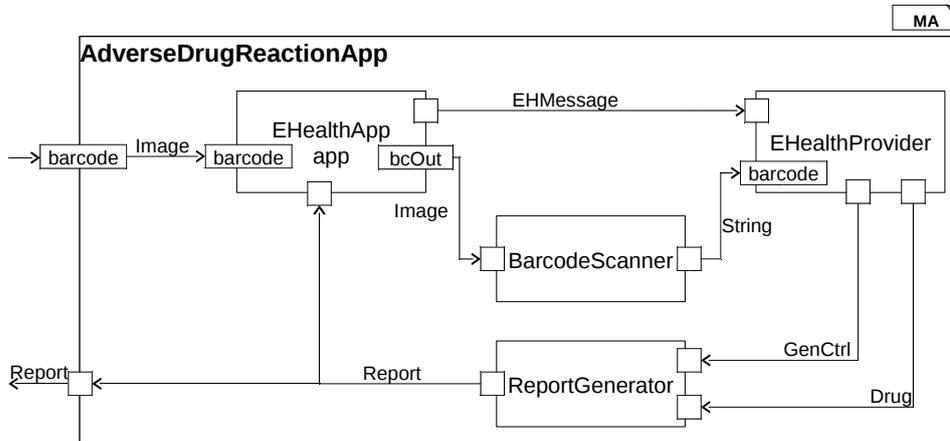


Figure 1.1: Component type `AdverseDrugReactionApp`

As an initial example consider Fig. 1.1 which shows the architecture of a distributed e-health application. The subsystems involved are the application itself receiving the picture of a barcode from the environment, a barcode scanner service extracting the actual barcode, an e-health provider that resolves possible adverse reactions for given medications, and a report generator that produces a report. The illustrated architecture contains all basic elements of the ADL MontiArc. The component `AdverseDrugReactionApp` can only be accessed via messages on the incoming port `barcode` of type `Image`. The computed result will then be sent via an outgoing port of type `Report`. The component `AdverseDrugReactionApp` consists of subcomponents `EHealthApp` named `app`, `BarcodeScanner`, `EHealthProvider` and `ReportGenerator` which are connected to each other and outer ports exposed to the environment via connectors. Connectors are directed and always connect one sending port with an arbitrary number of receiving ports of compatible data types. Two ports can be connected, if either their data types are identical or the data type of the receiver is a supertype of the sender's data type. As shown in the example, naming of ports and subcomponents is optional. Subcomponent `app`, which is an instance of component `EHealthApp`, for example, is explicitly named, while subcomponent `BarcodeScanner` by default gets the name `barcodeScanner` of its referenced component type starting with a lower-case character.

In MontiArc communication is unidirectional. The ADL does not dictate any further communication semantics. Communication can be synchronous or asynchronous based on the system that is modeled. In most cases and in our MontiArc simulation we assume an asynchronous communication which we believe is better suited for modeling parallel and distributed computa-

tions. Subcomponent `app` in Fig. 1.1 sends messages to `BarcodeScannerService` and `EHealthProvider` whereas indirect responses are received at the incoming port `Report`.

In MontiArc components can either be implemented directly (as *atomic components*) or defined to be a composition of other components. These *decomposed components* are hierarchically structured into further subcomponents (as for example `AdverseDrugReactionApp` in Fig. 1.1) and thus have their behavior derived from the composition of their subcomponents. For atomic components a reaction to incoming messages can be specified directly. Both component kinds can be equally treated in an architecture model, since they both share the same interface definitions and can be treated as black boxes whose observable behavior conforms to their interface. Thus, in Figure 1.1 it is initially non-distinctive, whether the `EHealthProvider` is a structured or atomic component. For different levels of abstractions this can however change during the development of the `AdverseDrugReactionApp` by consecutively refining the structure of its components.

## 1.2 MontiArc Syntax at a Glance

MontiArc is developed as a textual domain specific language (*DSL*) using the MontiCore [GKR<sup>+</sup>08, GKR<sup>+</sup>06, KRV07b, KRV07a, KRV08, KRV10, Kra10, www12b] framework. A textually formalized description of the component `AdverseDrugReactionApp` from Fig. 1.1 is given in Lst. 1.2.

Each component is typically defined in its own compilation unit (file). Similar to Java, components are organized in packages (Lst. 1.2, l. 1) which correspond to subfolders in the modelpath. Imports of data types (ll. 4 f) and components (ll. 8–10) refer to other compilation units using the same import mechanism and make their declared names available to be referenced using unqualified names. The component type definition is introduced by the keyword `component` followed by the component's type name (l. 12). Inside the component body, which is delimited by curly brackets, architectural elements may be defined. Among these are interfaces, invariants, subcomponent declarations, definitions of inner component types, and connectors.

The interface of a component, which defines the communication with its environment, is given by ports. Port definitions are introduced by the keyword `port` followed by the communication direction (`in` for incoming, `out` for outgoing) (ll. 17-19). The data type (e.g., `Image`, l. 18) specifies which types of messages can be transmitted via a port. Naming of ports is optional. If only one port of a data type exists on the given level, the port does not need an explicit name, since it then by default gets the name of its type starting with a lower-case character. For example, the port in

```
1 package adra;
2
3 // import message types
4 import java.awt.Image;
5 import adra.msg.*;
6
7 // import components
8 import adra.fe.EHealthApp;
9 import adra.be.BarcodeScanner;
10 import adra.be.ReportGenerator;
11
12 component AdverseDrugReactionApp {
13
14     autoconnect port;
15     autoinstantiate on;
16
17     port
18         in Image barcode,
19         out Report;
20
21     component EHealthProvider {
22         port
23             in EHMessage,
24             in String barcode,
25             out GenCtrl,
26             out Drug;
27     }
28
29     component EHealthApp app
30         [bcOut -> barcodeScanner.image];
31
32     component BarcodeScanner;
33
34     component ReportGenerator;
35
36     connect barcodeScanner.string -> eHealthProvider.barcode;
37
38     connect eHealthProvider -> reportGenerator;
39 }
```

Listing 1.2: The component type `AdverseDrugReactionApp` in textual syntax

l. 19 is named `report` like its type, while port `barcode` has an explicit name (l. 18). If the same data type is used for several ports of the same component, these ports have to be explicitly named, because the default name derived from the type would not be unique anymore.

Inner component types are used to create local component type defi-

nitions that may be used in the current component exclusively. For example, component `EHealthProvider` is defined as an inner component of the `AdverseDrugReactionApp` (ll. 21–27). The definition of an inner component type starts with the keyword `component` followed by the component’s type name. It then has the same structure as the component definition on the top level of the model. To automatically create instances of inner components, auto-instantiation is turned on (l. 15). This way a subcomponent named `eHealthProvider` is created that instantiates the inner component type.

Similarly, a component that is defined in another model can be referenced and instantiated as a subcomponent (ll. 29–34). Like ports, subcomponents have an optional name (e.g., `app`, l. 29) if it should be different from the referenced component type. However, if multiple subcomponents of a certain type exist or if the simple connector form, which will be described below, is to be used, subcomponents have to be named explicitly.

The communication connections between subcomponents’ ports and incoming and outgoing ports of the component definition are realized by connectors. For this purpose, `MontiArc` provides several alternatives that may be combined with each other:

1. Standard connectors are created by the keyword `connect` and connect a single source with an arbitrary number of targets (l. 36). Sources and targets are qualified by the subcomponent name the port is attached to. If more than one target is given they have to be separated by commas.
2. To immediately connect outputs of a subcomponent, simple connectors are placed directly behind the instance name (l. 30). Here, the source `bcOut` is an outgoing port of `EHealthApp`. Other than in standard connector definitions, the left side of a simple connector directly refers to an outgoing port of the referenced component (and is therefore unqualified).
3. The automatic connecting of not yet connected ports with the **same name** and the same unambiguous type is triggered by the keyword phrase `autoconnect port` (l. 14). However, it is not always possible to establish the whole communication graph with this statement, hence `connect` statements allow to explicitly define connections.
4. To automatically connect all not yet connected ports with the same unambiguous type **disregarding port names**, the keyword phrase `autoconnect type` is used. Depending on the current component definition, its interface, and its subcomponents, the set of ports matched by this phrase differs from the set matched by `autoconnect port`.

5. Instead of referencing ports of subcomponents as source and target of a (simple) connector, a name of a subcomponent contained in the current component definition may be used as well. This means that all compatible ports of the referenced subcomponents are connected automatically. The connector shown in line 38 connects all outgoing ports of subcomponent `eHealthProvider` with all compatible ports of subcomponent `reportGenerator`.

Thus, the connector in line 36 connects port `string` of subcomponent `barcodeScanner` with port `barcode` of subcomponent `eHealthProvider`. The simple connector in line 30 connects the port `bcOut` of the subcomponent `app` with the port `image` of the subcomponent `barcodeScanner`. Which form of the explicit connectors is used is a matter of taste. Using simple connectors one can only specify outgoing connections of a subcomponent and not its incoming ones.

### 1.3 Communication of MontiArc Components

The definition of inter component communication and the simulation of MontiArc models is based on FOCUS [BS01, RR11], a framework for developing and modeling distributed systems. Communication in MontiArc is typically asynchronous and event based. It is realized by unidirectional channels which transport elements of a data type that represent events and messages that are passed between components. A channel contains messages in order of their transmission and is mathematically formalized using a stream of messages, e.g.,  $\langle m_1, m_2, m_3, \dots \rangle$ .

In streams the order of messages determines the order of transmission. Concerning the time lag between the messages, no statement can be derived. In FOCUS, the progress of time can be simulated by explicitly adding tick messages ( $\surd$ ) that to some extent can be treated as ordinary messages. Every equidistant time slice is delimited by a  $\surd$ . For messages inside a time slice, only the order of the transmission is fixed.

In FOCUS, there are three different time paradigms. In *timed streams*, a time slice contains an arbitrary but finite number of messages whereas in *time-synchronous streams* at most one message per time slice is transmitted. Untimed streams contain messages only, this way conclusions about the order of messages can be drawn but not on their timing. For the remainder we focus on timed streams which are well supported by the MontiArc simulation framework.

In order to predict the timed behavior of components, a basic understanding of the time model is necessary. In timed communication the time flow is modeled in such a way that components, which have a  $\surd$  on each incoming port, consume these  $\surd$ s and send one  $\surd$  on each outgoing port. This mimics synchronized time progress on all channels, whereas the  $\surd$ s

denote a time slice has passed. Please note that message processing in the MontiArc simulation framework enforces realizability of the simulated components. We achieve this by requiring strong causality [BS01, RR11] for components: each component only reacts to the current input after a delay of at least one  $\surd$ .<sup>1</sup>

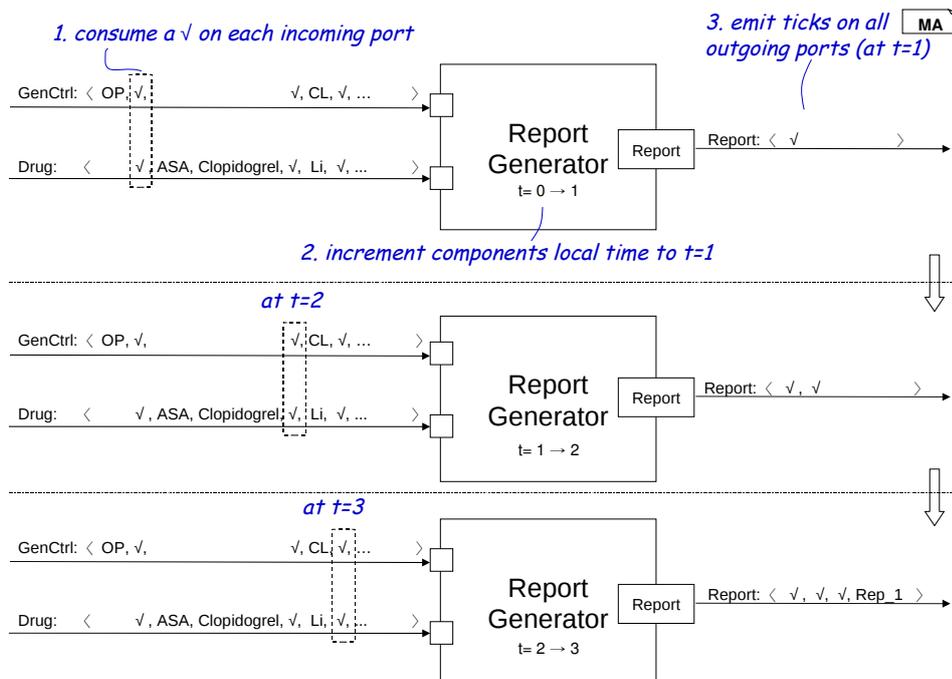


Figure 1.3: Processing of messages in the simulation

Figure 1.3 illustrates how messages are processed by MontiArc components. Messages that are not processable immediately are buffered to not get lost. The message `OP` sent to component `ReportGenerator` is processed immediately inducing the component to open and generate a new report. Processed messages are removed from the message buffer.  $\surd$ s are only consumed when each incoming port of a component has received an unprocessed  $\surd$ . This way the report generator has to receive a  $\surd$  on port `GenCtrl` and `Drug`. Afterwards the local time of the component is increased by one and a  $\surd$  is emitted on each outgoing port. After receiving the messages `ASA` (acetylsalicylic acid) and `Clopidogrel` on port `Drug` in  $t = 1$ , the component receives message `CL` on port `GenCtrl` and `Li` (lithium) on port `Drug` in  $t = 2$ . As message `CL` instructs the component to close the report and send it in the next time unit, it emits the generated report in  $t = 3$ . Hence `Rep_1` contains adverse drug reactions between `ASA`, `Clopidogrel`, and `Li`.

<sup>1</sup>The simulation framework also supports weakly causal components and a delay of at least one  $\surd$  in every feedback-loop which also makes a system realizable [RR11].

Please note that components are allowed to access the history of a stream but not the message buffers which would in a timed setting allow (partial) knowledge about the future. This is exactly how weak causality of component interaction is enforced.

The MontiArc simulation framework with a Java code generator, a tutorial, and a set of executable examples is available from [www12a].



## Chapter 2

# MontiArc Language

MontiArc is developed with the DSL framework MontiCore [KRV10] using its language-extension mechanisms to create an expandable architectural description language according to the guidelines presented in [KKP<sup>+</sup>09]. Its language hierarchy is shown in Fig. 2.1.

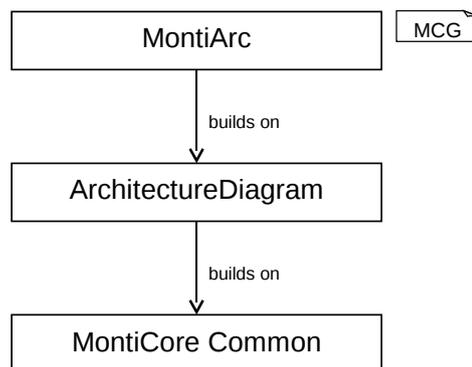


Figure 2.1: MontiCore grammar hierarchy of the MontiArc language.

The `MontiCore Common` grammar serves common modeling language artifacts like stereotypes, cardinalities, and modifiers. Also productions for type references and literals are provided. A detailed description of the used language fundamentals is given in [Sch12], the MontiCore grammar format is described in [GKR<sup>+</sup>06]. The language `ArchitectureDiagram` (ArcD) serves basic architectural elements and is extended by the `MontiArc` language that is tailored to the event-based simulation of the modeled distributed systems. The main elements and concepts of the two languages are explained in Sections 2.1 and 2.2. Complete grammar definitions are given in the appendix in Lst. B.1 on page 51 and Lst. B.2 on page 57. The MontiCore grammar of both languages will be explained in Sections 2.3 and 2.4.

## 2.1 Architecture Diagram – Basic Elements

The basic elements of the Architecture Diagram language are components with ports, subcomponents, and connectors that unidirectional connect ports of components. A component type definition defines a component type and its interface. The interface of a component is a set of typed and directed ports. The internal structure of components can be defined by referencing subcomponents and composing them via connector definitions.

*Component type definitions* introduce new component types that are identified by unique qualified names and interfaces consisting of sets of ports. A component's ports are either incoming or outgoing ports. Incoming ports allow a component to receive messages of the port's type. In the current implementation MontiArc allows the modeler to use predefined types of the Java language or define new types using UML/P class diagrams [Rum04b, Sch12]. Outgoing ports are a component's mean to communicate with its environment. These ports are also typed with the type of messages that can be transmitted.

Component type names can be parametrized with type parameters. This concept allows the definition of *generic component types* that use type parameters inside their component's ports definition or as type parameters in references to subcomponents. An example for generic components with type parameters is a delay component that is parametrized with the type of its incoming and delayed outgoing messages.

Besides type parameters MontiArc also supports *configurable components* with configuration parameters. These parameters are values that are set when a component is referenced as a subcomponent or when instantiated as a system inside the MontiArc simulation. An example for a configurable component is a filter component that can be configured with a set of elements that should be filtered out.

*Connectors* define unidirectional communication channels between ports of components. Messages emitted from an outgoing port of one component and forwarded to an incoming port of another component are the only way that components can interact (feedback-loops of a component to itself are also allowed).

MontiArc supports the extension of component definitions by a *structural inheritance* mechanism. A component type definition can extend another component type. The new type inherits all ports, inner component type definitions, and subcomponent references as well as the connectors defined between them.

## 2.2 MontiArc Elements

The language MontiArc is defined as an extension of Architecture Diagrams. It preserves all language concepts and adds:

- invariants on component behavior
- declaration of the component's timing paradigm
- implicit model completion for connections
- implicit reference declaration for subcomponents

*Invariant expressions* can be defined for components and written in almost any external invariant language. With MontiCore's language reuse features [GKR<sup>+</sup>08] the MontiArc language is currently configured to use Java expressions and OCL expressions as invariants.

The *timing paradigm* of components can be defined as part of the component type definition inside MontiArc. The available paradigms are `timed`, `untimed`, and `timesynchronous` as explained in Sect. 1.3.

MontiArc allows to automatically complete component definitions with connectors according to some predefined rules. The *connectors completion strategies* currently available are `port` to connect ports with matching name and compatible type, `type` to connect ports with matching types, or `off` to disable automatic connection of ports.

In many cases when a component type is defined inside a parent component it is the modelers intention to create a subcomponent by referencing this new component inside the parent component. To *automatically instantiate subcomponents* together with their definition the modeler can enable the `autoinstantiate` concept on the parent's component level.

## 2.3 Architecture Diagram Grammar Walk-Through

We continue by explaining the MontiCore grammar of the architecture diagrams language ArdD. A detailed description of the MontiCore grammar format that is used to define concrete and abstract syntax of a language is found in [GKR<sup>+</sup>08]. However, the most important concepts of MontiCore grammars, that are needed to understand the given language definitions, are the following. Optional elements are annotated with a question mark `?`, alternatives are separated by `|`, and keywords are given in quotes. If keywords are additionally surrounded by brackets (`[...]`) a Boolean field is created in the abstract syntax that holds true, if this keyword occurs in the concrete syntax. A `*` denotes elements that may occur arbitrary many times.

```

1 ArcComponent implements ArcElement =
2   Stereotype?
3   "component" Name (instanceName:Name)?
4   ArcComponentHead ArcComponentBody;

```

Listing 2.2: Component type definition production

The root element of an ArcD model is a component type definition. The production `ArcComponent` that is shown in Lst. 2.2 defines the structure of a component type definition. It may be annotated with a stereotype followed by the keyword `component` and a component type name. The optional `instanceName` may be used to create a subcomponent declaration along with the definition of an inner component type. For root component definitions the usage of an instance name is forbidden (c.f. Chapter 3).

```

1 ArcComponentHead =
2   TypeParameters?
3   ("[" ArcParameter* "]" )?
4   ("extends" ReferenceType)?;

```

Listing 2.3: Component head production

```

1 ArcParameter =
2   Type Name;

```

Listing 2.4: Parameter definition production

The production `ArcComponentHead` is shown in Lst. 2.3. It provides optional definition of `TypeParameters` (c.f. l. 2) that are used to define generic type variables. These variables may serve as port data types in the scope of the component body. A list of `ArcParameters` is enclosed by squared brackets (c.f. l. 3). These are used to define variables with a type and a name that are visible in the scope of the component definition (c.f. Lst. 2.4). The values of these variables are set when a parametrizable component type is used as type of a subcomponent declaration. Finally a component type may extend a super component, its type name is given after the `extends` keyword (c.f. Lst. 2.3 l. 4).

Lst. 2.5 shows the production of a component type body. It contains arbitrary many `ArcElements` that are parenthesized by curly brackets. `ArcElement` is an interface that is implemented by productions that are architectural elements and may occur in a component type definition. Therefore the inner structure of a component type is given by a set of

	Grammar for ArcD
<pre> 1 ArcComponentBody = 2   "{" 3   ArcElement* 4   "}"; </pre>	

Listing 2.5: Component body production

ArcElements. To extend this language with more elements that may be part of a component type, new productions that implement this interface may be defined in a subgrammar.

	Grammar for ArcD
<pre> 1 ArcInterface <b>implements</b> ArcElement = 2   Stereotype? 3   "port" (ArcPort)* ";" ; </pre>	

Listing 2.6: Interface definition production

	Grammar for ArcD
<pre> 1 ArcPort = 2   Stereotype? 3   ("in"   "out") 4   Type Name?; </pre>	

Listing 2.7: Port definition production

The production ArcInterface that defines the interface definition of a component is given in Lst. 2.6. After an optional stereotype and the keyword port a list of ports is given. A port (c.f. Lst. 2.7) may have a stereotype. After the port's direction, in is used for incoming and out for outgoing ports, the port's data type and an optional name are given.

	Grammar for ArcD
<pre> 1 ArcSubComponent <b>implements</b> ArcElement = 2   Stereotype? 3   "component" 4   ReferenceType 5   "(" (" ArcConfigurationParameter* ")" )? 6   (ArcSubComponentInstance* )? ";" ; </pre>	

Listing 2.8: Production for subcomponent declarations

The internal structure of decomposed component types is given by sub-components. The syntax of a subcomponent declaration is defined by the production ArcSubComponent that is shown in Lst. 2.8. After an optional

	Grammar for ArcD
1	<code>ArcConfigurationParameter =</code>
2	<code>  QualifiedName   Literal;</code>

Listing 2.9: Configuration parameter production

stereotype and the keyword `component` the type of the subcomponent is given. This is a reference to another component type definition. An optional list of arguments is parenthesized by round brackets. These arguments are used to set configuration parameters of referenced configurable components. As shown in Lst. 2.9 this may be either a reference to an enumeration or a static constant or a variable name (both given by a `QualifiedName`), or a literal value.

	Grammar for ArcD
1	<code>ArcSubComponentInstance =</code>
2	<code>  Name</code>
3	<code>  ("[" ArcSimpleConnector</code>
4	<code>  ("; " ArcSimpleConnector) * "]" )?;</code>

Listing 2.10: Production to explicitly name subcomponents with optional simple connectors

	Grammar for ArcD
1	<code>ArcSimpleConnector =</code>
2	<code>  source:QualifiedName "-&gt;" targets:QualifiedName</code>
3	<code>  (", " targets:QualifiedName)*;</code>

Listing 2.11: Simple connector production

To create more than one subcomponent declaration or to assign an explicit name, an optional list of instances is used (c.f. Lst. 2.8 l. 6). The production `ArcSubComponentInstance` is shown in Lst. 2.10. It has a name and an optional colon separated list of simple connectors parenthesized by squared brackets. These simple connectors (c.f. Lst. 2.11) directly connect outgoing ports of the bounded subcomponent declaration with one or more target ports. Please note that `source:QualifiedName` is an extension to normal grammars, where `QualifiedName` is the nonterminal (type) and `source` is the name of the containing variable in the abstract syntax that usually also codes the form of use. Here it allows to distinguish between a source and many targets (see [GKR<sup>+</sup>06]).

Another way to connect ports of subcomponent declarations or the local interface definition is given by connectors. The syntax is defined by the `ArcConnector` production that is shown in Lst. 2.12. After an optional stereotype and the keyword `connect` the source of the connector is given

	Grammar for ArcD
<pre> 1 ArcConnector <b>implements</b> ArcElement= 2   Stereotype? 3   "connect" source:QualifiedName "-&gt;" 4   targets:QualifiedName ("," targets:QualifiedName)* ";" </pre>	

Listing 2.12: Connector production

by a qualified name. After an arrow `->` one or more comma separated `targets` are given. Source or target of a connector may be either a port of the current component, a name of a subcomponent declaration, or a port that belongs to a subcomponent declaration. In the last case the port is qualified by the name of the subcomponent to which it belongs.

## 2.4 MontiArc Grammar Walk-Through

	Grammar for MontiArc
<pre> 1 ArcComponentBody = 2   "{" 3   MontiArcConfig* 4   ArcElement* 5   "}"; </pre>	

Listing 2.13: Component body production in MontiArc

MontiArc extends the ArchitectureDiagram language in two ways. First, it extends the language with configuration elements that have to implement the interface `MontiArcConfig`. These configuration elements have to be placed before other architectural elements in a component's body. Hence the production `ArcComponentBody` of the super grammar is overridden as shown in Lst. 2.13.

	Grammar for MontiArc
<pre> 1 MontiArcInvariant <b>implements</b> ArcElement = 2   "inv" Name ":" InvariantContent ";" </pre>	

Listing 2.14: Invariant production in MontiArc

Second, to constrain the behavior of a component MontiArc adds invariants defined in OCL/P [Rum04b, Rum04a] or Java to components. This is shown in Lst. 2.14. After the keyword `inv` the name of the invariant is given followed by its content.

The `autoconnect` statement defined in production `MontiArcAutoConnect` (c.f. Lst. 2.15) controls the `autoconnect` behavior of the component. The following modes are available:

```

1 MontiArcAutoConnect implements MontiArcConfig =
2   "autoconnect" Stereotype?
3   ("type" | "port" | "off") ";" ;

```

Listing 2.15: Autoconnect statement in MontiArc

- `type` automatically connect all ports with the same unique type
- `port` automatically connect all ports with the same name and a compatible type
- `off` (default) turns auto connect off

```

1 MontiArcAutoInstantiate implements MontiArcConfig =
2   "autoinstantiate" Stereotype?
3   ("on" | "off") ";" ;

```

Listing 2.16: Autoinstantiate statement in MontiArc

Auto-instantiation is used to automatically create instances of inner component types, if these are not explicitly declared as subcomponents. Lst. 2.16 contains the production defining the syntax of this feature. After the keyword `autoinstantiate` and an optional stereotype the mode is chosen using `on` or `off`, where `off` is the default case.

```

1 MontiArcTimingParadigm implements MontiArcConfig =
2   "behavior" Stereotype?
3   ("timed" | "untimed" | "timesynchronous") ";" ;

```

Listing 2.17: Production to choose a timing paradigm in MontiArc

To denote which timing paradigm (see Sect. 1.3 on page 7) a component implements the production `MontiArcTimingParadigm` is used that is shown in Lst. 2.17. After the keyword `behavior`, and an optional stereotype, the following modes are available:

- `timed` (default) streams are timed and may contain arbitrary many data messages in a time slice
- `untimed` streams are untimed and contain only data messages
- `timesynchronous` streams are timed but contain at most one data message in a time slice, hence all incoming ports of a component are read simultaneously

Each component type may have its own timing paradigm. If subcomponent declarations of a component type definition reference component types with different timing paradigms, the distinct behavior regarding time has to be adapted to achieve a smooth interaction. Introducing up- and down-scaling subcomponent declarations that translate between different timing paradigms in terms of a behavior refinement (see [BS01]) will then serve as adapters between subcomponents with different timing paradigms.



## Chapter 3

# MontiArc Context Conditions

In MontiArc quite a number of context condition checks are implemented in order to verify that a defined MontiArc model is well-formed and to support the modeler with feedback about detected problems. These context conditions are grouped into conditions concerning uniqueness, connections, referential integrity, and conventions. The following sections list these conditions and explain them by means of examples.

### 3.1 Basic Conditions

To define a concept for visibility of identifiers we introduce namespaces to MontiArc that define areas in a model in which names are managed together (c.f. [Kra10, Völ11]). These identifiers are names of ports, subcomponent declarations, generic type variables, configuration parameters, and invariant definitions. In MontiArc we distinguish two different kinds of namespaces. A *component namespace* contains identifiers that are declared within a component type definition. Such a namespace is not hierarchical, hence identifiers defined in a top level namespace are not imported into a contained component namespace. In contrast, an *invariant namespace* that is contained in a component namespace imports all names that are defined within its parent namespace. An invariant namespace may also contain a hierarchical namespace structure according to the language that is used to define the invariant.

An example for namespaces, identifiers, and their visibility is given in Fig. 3.1. The shown component type definition `FilterDelay` contains three namespaces. The top-level namespace belongs to the component type definition itself. It contains the red colored identifiers of the configuration parameter `fil`, the port names `inData` and `delayedAndFiltered`, the subcomponent declaration `f` and `del`, as well as the invariant `isFiltered`.

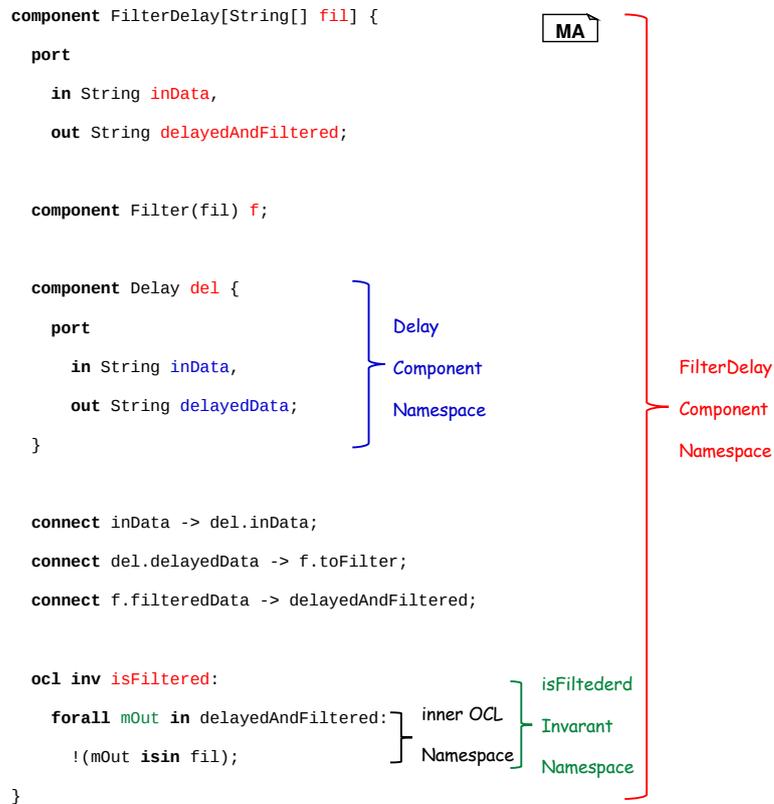


Figure 3.1: Namespaces and identifier declarations in MontiArc.

Please note that using the optional instance name while defining an inner component type will automatically declare a subcomponent with the used instance name (c.f. Sect. 2.3). As this subcomponent is declared in the parent component of the inner component definition, its identifier also belongs to the parents namespace.

The parent namespace `FilterDelay` contains another component namespace that belongs to the inner component type definition `Delay`. All identifiers within this namespace are colored blue. The port name `inData` is still unique, as identifiers of the parent namespace, that also contains this name, are not imported.

Namespaces of invariants import identifiers of their parent namespace, thats why the port name `delayedAndFiltered` as well as the parameter name `fil` may be used inside the namespace of invariant `isFiltered`. It also has a hierarchical structure denoted by the `inner OCL` namespace, as a `forall` construct opens a new namespace in the OCL language.

### **B1: All names of model elements within a component namespace have to be unique.**

To clearly identify each model element, all names within a component namespace have to be unique. This holds for port names, subcomponent declaration names, generic type parameter names, configuration parameter names, and names of invariants. Listing 3.2 contains several violations of this condition. First, configuration parameter `fil` has the same name as one incoming port (see ll. 1, 4). Second, the subcomponent declaration `del` and an invariant have the same name (c.f. ll. 10, 16).

```
MontiArc
1 component FilterDelay[String[] fil] {
2
3   port
4     in char[][] fil, ⚠ // 'fil' already declared in 1. 1
5     in String inData,
6     out String delayedAndFiltered;
7
8   component Filter(fil) f;
9
10  component Delay del {
11    port
12      in String inData,
13      out String delayedData;
14  }
15
16  ocl inv del: ⚠ // 'del' already declared in 1. 10
17    forall mOut in delayedAndFiltered:
18      !(mOut isin fil);
19 }
```

Listing 3.2: B1: Violation of `contxt` condition U by using names more than once in a namespace.

### **B2: Root component type definitions do not have instance names.**

The optional instance name of component type definitions (c.f. Sect. 2.3, page 13) is used to create a subcomponent declaration along with the definition of an inner component type. The created subcomponent then belongs to the parent component type. Root component types do not have a parent, and therefore using an instance name for a root component type definition will result in a not assignable subcomponent. Hence, the usage of instance names for root component definitions is forbidden.

	MontiArc
<pre> 1 <b>component</b> ABPSenderComponent mySenderComp { ❌ // instance 2                                     // name for 3   <b>component</b> Sender innerSender {           // root def. 4     // ...                                 // forbidden 5   } 6   // ... 7 }</pre>	

Listing 3.3: B2: Instance names of component definitions.

In Lst. 3.3, the component definition `ABPSenderComponent<T>` has an instance name `mySenderComp` which is not allowed. For the inner component definition `Sender` this concept is used to create a subcomponent declaration named `innerSender` along with the definition of the inner component type.

## 3.2 Connections

**CO1: Connectors may not pierce through component interfaces.**

	MontiArc
<pre> 1 <b>component</b> A_B_Filter { 2   <b>port</b> 3     <b>in</b> String msgIn, 4     <b>out</b> String msgOut; 5 6   <b>component</b> Filter('a') af; 7   <b>component</b> Filter('b') bf; 8 9   <b>connect</b> msgIn -&gt; af.msgs; 10  <b>connect</b> bf.filteredMsgs -&gt; msgOut; 11  <b>connect</b> af.filteredMsgs -&gt; bf.msgs.d; ❌ // d not visible 12 } 13 14 <b>component</b> Filter[<b>char</b> f] { 15   <b>port</b> 16     <b>in</b> String msgs, 17     <b>out</b> String filteredMsgs; 18   <b>component</b> Delay(1) d; 19   // ... 20 }</pre>	

Listing 3.4: CO1: Qualified sources and targets of connectors.

Qualified sources or targets of a connector consist of two parts. The first

part is a name of a subcomponent, the second part is a port name. Lst. 3.4 contains the definition of component types `A_B_Filter` and `Filter`. The former contains two subcomponent declarations of the latter. The connector shown in l. 9 connects port `msgIn` of `A_B_Filter` with port `msgs` of subcomponent `af`. As this port is part of the interface of `af`'s type, this connector is valid. The same holds for the second connector in l. 10 that connects the output of `bf` to the outgoing port `msgOut`. However, the target of the third connector shown in l. 11 is subcomponent `d` that belongs to component type `Filter` that is declared as subcomponent `bf`. As subcomponent declarations are encapsulated and may only be accessed indirectly via their connected ports, `d` is not visible in the scope of `A_B_Filter` and must not be used as a target of a connector.

**CO2: A simple connector's source is an outgoing port of the referenced component type and is therefore not qualified.**

	MontiArc
<pre> 1 <b>component</b> A_B_Filter { 2   <b>port</b> 3     <b>in</b> String msgIn, 4     <b>out</b> String msgOut; 5 6   <b>component</b> Filter('a') af 7     [filteredMsgs -&gt; bf.msgs]; 8   <b>component</b> Filter('b') bf 9     [bf.filteredMsgs -&gt; bf.msgs]; ❌ // source is qualified 10  // ... 11 }</pre>	

Listing 3.5: CO2: Correct and invalid sources of simple connectors.

A source of a simple connector always has to be an outgoing port of the subcomponent's component type. A qualification is therefore not needed as the port is implicitly qualified using the bounded subcomponents name. The first simple connector in line 7 of Lst. 3.5 connects outgoing port `filteredMsgs` of subcomponent `af` with the incoming port `msgs` of subcomponent `bf` and is valid. The source of the second connector in l. 9 contains the subcomponent's name `bf` as an additional qualifier and is therefore invalid.

```

1 component A_B_Filter {
2   port
3     in String msgIn,
4     out String msgOut;
5
6   component Filter('a') af;
7   component Filter('b') bf;
8
9   connect msgIn -> af;
10  connect af -> bf;
11  connect bf -> msgOut;
12 }

```

Listing 3.6: CO3: Using unqualified sources and targets in connectors.

### CO3: Unqualified sources or targets in connectors either refer to a port or a subcomponent declaration.

If sources or targets of a connector are unqualified, then they must refer to a port or a subcomponent name declared in the scope of the current component type definition. If a name of a subcomponent is used, all yet unconnected ports are connected that have a valid type. For example the first connector given in Lst. 3.6 in l. 9 automatically resolves incoming port `msgIn` of subcomponent `af` as the target of the connector, as its type fits to the type of the connector's source. The second connector given in l. 10 connects all compatible outgoing ports of subcomponent `af` with all compatible incoming ports of subcomponent `bf`. Finally, the third connector in l. 11 connects one compatible outgoing port of subcomponent `bf` with the outgoing port `msgOut`. This, however, is only possible if a unique compatible port can be resolved. If more than one compatible port is found, no connections are created and a warning is emitted.

## 3.3 Referential Integrity

### R1: Each outgoing port of a component type definition is used at most once as target of a connector.

In MontiArc the sender of a message or signal is always unique for the receiver. Hence every receiving port only receives signals from a unique sender, while a sender may transmit its data to more than one receiver. Therefore outgoing ports of a component type definition are used at most once as a target of a connector. In Lst. 3.7 the component type definition `A_B_Filter` violates this condition. The outgoing port `msgOut` is used

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```

1 component A_B_Filter {
2   port
3     in String msgIn,
4     out String msgOut;
5
6   component Filter('a') af
7     [filteredMsgs -> msgOut]; ❌ // ambiguous sender
8   component Filter('b') bf;
9
10  connect msgIn -> af.msgs, bf.msgs;
11  connect bf.filteredMsgs -> msgOut; ❌ // ambiguous sender
12 }

```

Listing 3.7: R1: Unique receivers of connectors.

as a target of the simple connector given in l. 7 and also as a target of the connector given in l. 11. A unique sender may not be identified, as it may be the outgoing port of subcomponent af or the outgoing port of subcomponent bf. In contrast, a sender of a connector may transmit its messages to more than one receivers. Hence the connector given in l. 10 is valid.

**R2: Each incoming port of a subcomponent is used at most once as target of a connector.**

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```

1 component A_B_Filter {
2   port
3     in String msgIn,
4     out String msgOut;
5
6   component Filter('a') af;
7   component Filter('b') bf;
8
9   connect msgIn -> bf.msgs, af.msgs; ❌ // ambiguous sender
10  connect bf.filteredMsgs -> af.msgs; ❌ // ambiguous sender
11  connect af.filteredMsgs -> msgOut;
12 }

```

Listing 3.8: R2: Unique receivers of connectors.

As already discussed in the previous context condition, the sender of a message is always unique for a receiver. Incoming ports of subcomponents may be used as receivers in a connector and must therefore be used at most once as a receiver in the context of a component type definition. In Lst. 3.8 this context condition is injured by the connectors given in ll. 9–10. The

incoming port `msgs` of subcomponent `af` is used twice as a target.

**R3: Full qualified subcomponent types exist in the named package.**

```
MontiArc
1 component A_B_Filter {
2   // ...
3   component ma.msg.Filter('a') af;
4   // ...
5 }
```

Listing 3.9: R3: Qualified subcomponent types.

If a qualified component type is used for a subcomponent, a component type definition has to exist in the denoted package. For example the subcomponent declaration shown in Lst. 3.9 uses the qualified type `ma.msg.Filter` (c.f. l. 3). Hence a component definition `Filter` has to exist in package `ma.msg`.

**R4: Unqualified subcomponent types either exist in the current package or are imported using an import statement.**

```
MontiArc
1 package ma;
2 import ma.msg.Filter;
3 component A_B_Filter {
4   // ...
5   component Filter('a') af;
6   component C_D_Filter cdf;
7   // ...
8 }
```

Listing 3.10: R4: Unqualified subcomponent types.

If an unqualified component type is used for a subcomponent, it must either exist in the current package or it must be imported using an import statement. Subcomponent `af` given in Lst. 3.10 uses the unqualified type `Filter` that is imported in l. 2. The type of subcomponent `cdf` (l. 6) is unqualified and not imported. Therefore a component type definition `C_D_Filter` has to exist in the current package `ma` given in l. 1.

**R5: The first part of a qualified connector’s source or target must correspond to a subcomponent declared in the current component definition.**

```
MontiArc
1 component A_B_Filter {
2   port
3     in String msgIn,
4     out String msgOut;
5
6   component Filter('a') af;
7
8   connect msgIn -> af.msgs;
9   connect bf.filteredMsgs -> msgOut; ❌ // subcomponent bf
10 }                                     // does not exist
```

Listing 3.11: R5: Subcomponents in qualified connector parts.

If a source or target of a connector is qualified, the qualifier must be the name of a subcomponent that is declared in the namespace of the current component definition. In Lst. 3.11 the target of the first connector (l. 8) is qualified with `af`. As a subcomponent `af` is declared in l. 6 the qualifier is valid. In contrast the source of the second connector (l. 9) is qualified with `bf`, but a subcomponent with that name is not declared. Hence, this connector is invalid.

**R6: The second part of a qualified connector’s source or target must correspond to a port name of the referenced subcomponent determined by the first part.**

The second part of a qualified source or target of a connector is a port name. A port with that name must exist in the component type of the subcomponent that is given by the qualifier. In Lst. 3.12 the target of the first connector given in l. 12 is port `toDelay` of subcomponent `del`. As shown in l. 8 the component type of this subcomponent contains this port. Hence, the first connector is valid. The source of the second connector (l. 13) is port `delayed` of subcomponent `del`. As this port does not exist in component type `Delay` (c.f. ll. 6–10), this connector is invalid.

**R7: The source port of a simple connector must exist in the subcomponents type.**

In simple connectors, the source directly references an outgoing port in the type of the subcomponent to which the simple connector belongs to. This

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```

1 component FilterDelay {
2   port
3     in String inputData,
4     out String delayed;
5
6   component Delay del {
7     port
8       in String toDelay,
9       out String delayedData;
10  }
11
12  connect inputData -> del.toDelay;
13  connect del.delayed -> delayed; ❌ // port delayed does
14  }                                     // not exist

```

Listing 3.12: R6: Ports in qualified connector parts.

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```

1 component FilterDelay {
2   port
3     out String delayed1,
4     out String delayed2;
5
6   component Delay {
7     port
8       in String toDelay,
9       out String delayedData;
10  }
11
12  component Delay
13    d1 [delayedData -> delayed1],
14    d2 [delayed -> delayed2]; ❌ // port delayed does
15  }                                     // not exist

```

Listing 3.13: R7: Sources of simple connectors.

port has to exist. In Lst. 3.13 the source of the first simple connector in l. 13 exists and the connector is therefore valid. As the component type Delay does not have an outgoing port delayed (c.f. ll. 6–10), the second simple connector given in l. 14 is invalid.

**R8: The types of two connected ports have to be compatible, i.e., the target port has the same type or is a supertype of the source port type.**

To assure type correct communication, source and target ports of connectors have to be compatible. A receiver may be connected to a sender, if both

```

1 component MyComp {
2   port
3     in Integer myInt,
4     out Object myObj;
5
6   component Buffer<Integer> bInt;
7   component Buffer<Object> bObj;
8   component Buffer<String> bStr;
9
10  connect myInt -> bInt.input;
11  connect bInt.buffered -> bObj.input;
12  connect bObj.buffered -> bStr.input; ❌ // incompatible
13  connect bStr.buffered -> myObj;      // types Object,
14  }                                     // String
15 component Buffer<T> {
16   port
17     in T input,
18     out T buffered;
19 }

```

Listing 3.14: R8: Type compatible connectors.

have the same type or the receiver type is a supertype of the source type. Lst. 3.14 contains some examples for connectors with different source and target types. The first connector in l. 10 is obviously valid, as source and target type are the same. The second connector in l. 11 connects a source port with type `Integer` and a target port with type `Object`. As `Object` is a supertype of `Integer`, this connection is valid. The third connector (l. 12) connects `Object` with `String`. Because `String` is a subtype of `Object` and not a supertype, it is invalid. The fourth connector in l. 13 is valid again, as `Object` is a supertype of `String`.

### R9: If a generic component type is instantiated as a subcomponent, all generic parameters have to be assigned.

A generic component is a component that defines generic type parameters in its head (see Sect. 2.1, page 12). If such a component type is used as a subcomponent type, a data type has to be assigned to each of these generic type parameters. Lst. 3.15 contains the definition of the generic component type `Buffer` in ll. 1–5 that has two generic type parameters `K` and `V`. In the component type definition `MyComp` in ll. 6–11 two subcomponents are declared that have the aforementioned type. The first subcomponent declaration (l. 8.) assigns a data type to each type parameter and is valid. The incoming port `input` of `b1` has now the type `Integer`, the outgoing port has the type `String`. The second subcomponent declaration `b2` in l. 9

	MontiArc
<pre> 1 <b>component</b> Buffer&lt;K, V&gt; { 2   <b>port</b> 3     <b>in</b> K input, 4     <b>out</b> V buffered; 5 } 6 <b>component</b> MyComp { 7   // ... 8   <b>component</b> Buffer&lt;Integer, String&gt; b1; 9   <b>component</b> Buffer&lt;Integer&gt; b2; ❌ // type parameter V 10  // ... // not assigned 11 } </pre>	

Listing 3.15: R9: Using generic component types as subcomponent types.

only assigns one type parameter. As the `Buffer` component type claims two generic type parameters, the subcomponent declaration is invalid.

**R10: If a configurable component is instantiated as a subcomponent, all configuration parameters have to be assigned.**

	MontiArc
<pre> 1 <b>component</b> LossyDelay&lt;T&gt;[<b>int</b> delay, <b>int</b> lossrate] { 2   <b>port</b> 3     <b>in</b> T msgIn, 4     <b>out</b> T delayed; 5 } 6 <b>component</b> MyComp { 7   // ... 8   <b>component</b> LossyDelay&lt;String&gt;(1, 5) ld1; 9   <b>component</b> LossyDelay&lt;String&gt;(1) ld2; ❌ // missing 10  // ... // parameter 11 } // lossrate </pre>	

Listing 3.16: R10: Using configurable component types as subcomponent types.

A configurable component defines configuration parameters in its head (see Sect. 2.1, page 12). If such a component type is used as a subcomponent type, a value has to be assigned to each configuration parameter. In Lst. 3.16 the configurable component type `LossyDelay` defined in ll. 1–5 is used as type of subcomponent `ld1` in l. 8. In the subcomponent declaration a value is assigned to both configuration parameters. Therefore the subcomponent declaration is valid. The second subcomponent declaration in l. 9 only assigns one value, as two values are expected, the declaration is invalid.

### R11: Inheritance cycles for components are forbidden.

```
MontiArc
1 component ABPReceiver<T>
2   extends CommonReceiver<T> { ❌ // inheritance cycle
3   // ...
4 }
5
6 component CommonReceiver<T>
7   extends ABPReceiver<T> { ❌ // inheritance cycle
8   // ...
9 }
```

Listing 3.17: R11: An inheritance cycle in MontiArc.

Lst. 3.17 shows an example for an inheritance cycle. The component type `ABPReceiver` extends the `CommonReceiver` component type (l. 2) which is a subtype of the `ABPReceiver` component (l. 7). Such a system cannot be instantiated, therefore inheritance cycles are forbidden.

### R12: An inner component type definition does not extend the component type in which it is defined.

```
MontiArc
1 component Outer {
2
3   component Inner extends Outer { ❌ // structural
4     // ... // inheritance cycle
5   }
6   // ...
7 }
```

Listing 3.18: R12: Structural extension cycle.

A structural extension cycle is given, if an inner component type definition extends the component type of its surrounding parent component. As the inner component will import itself in a structural extension cycle, it may not be instantiated using our mechanism. Therefore it is forbidden for inner component type definitions to extend its parent component. This context condition is violated in Lst. 3.18 where the inner component type `Inner` extends its parent component type `Outer`.

		MontiArc
1	<b>component</b> A {	
2	// ...	
3	<b>component</b> B myB; <span style="color: red;">✘</span> // <i>reference cycle</i>	
4	}	
5	<b>component</b> B {	
6	// ...	
7	<b>component</b> A myA; <span style="color: red;">✘</span> // <i>reference cycle</i>	
8	}	

Listing 3.19: R13: Structural extension cycle.

### R13: Subcomponent reference cycles are forbidden.

A reference cycle is given, if two component types declare each other as subcomponents. As instantiation of such a system will result in an endless instantiation process, these cycles are forbidden. An example for a reference cycle is shown in Lst. 3.19. Component type A contains a subcomponent declaration of type B (c.f. l. 3). The component type B contains itself a subcomponent of type A (c.f. l. 7). If component type A is instantiated, an instance of component type B is created that will itself create another instance of A and so forth.

## 3.4 Conventions

### CV1: Instance names should start with a lower-case letter.

		MontiArc
1	<b>component</b> Inverter<T> [Number delta] {	
2	<b>port</b>	
3	<b>in</b> Integer input,	
4	<b>out</b> Integer inverted;	
5		
6	<b>component</b> Filter(delta) myFilter;	
7		
8	java <b>inv</b> isInverted: {	
9	//...	
10	}	
11	}	

Listing 3.20: CV1 and CV2: Naming Conventions of MontiArc

Names in the scope of component definitions should start with a lower case letter. This context condition affects names of ports, subcomponent declarations, configuration parameters, and invariants. Therefore all names

contained in the component definition depicted in Lst. 3.20 obey this rule. Violating this context condition will result in a warning.

### **CV2: Types should start with an upper-case letter.**

Component types and generic type parameters should start with an upper case letter. Hence the component name `Inverter` as well as the used generic type parameter `T` are well formed. Violating this context condition will result in a warning.

### **CV3: Duplicated imports should be avoided.**

Defining identical imports more than once will result in a warning.

### **CV4: Unused direct imports should be avoided.**

The definition of imports which are not used in the model violates this convention and results in a warning.

### **CV5: In decomposed components all ports should be used in at least one connector.**

```
MontiArc
1 component A_Filter {
2   port
3     in String msgIn,
4     in String foo, ⚠️ // unused port
5     out String msgOut;
6
7   component Filter('a') af;
8
9   connect msgIn -> af.msgs;
10  connect af.filteredMsgs -> msgOut;
11 }
```

Listing 3.21: CV5: Using all ports.

If incoming or outgoing ports of a decomposed component type are not used in at least one connector, a warning is produced to inform the modeler that parts of the components interface are unconnected. In Lst. 3.21 the ports `msgIn` and `msgOut` are both used and connected to subcomponents (c.f. ll. 9-10). In contrast port `foo` is not connected and a warning is produced (l. 4).

**CV6: All ports of subcomponents should be used in at least one connector.**

	MontiArc
1	<b>component</b> A_Filter {
2	<b>port</b>
3	<b>in</b> String msgIn,
4	<b>out</b> String msgOut;
5	
6	<b>component</b> Filter('a') af;
7	<b>component</b> Filter('b') bf; ⚠️ // <i>unconnected ports msgs,</i>
8	// <i>filteredMsgs</i>
9	<b>connect</b> msgIn -> af.msgs;
10	<b>connect</b> af.filteredMsgs -> msgOut;
11	}

Listing 3.22: CV6: Using all ports of subcomponents.

If ports of subcomponents are unconnected, this may result in an unexpected behavior. Hence, the modeler is informed with a warning, if subcomponents in a decomposed component type definition have unconnected ports. All ports of subcomponent `af` in Lst. 3.22 are connected in the connectors given in ll. 9-10. But no ports of subcomponent `bf` are connected, therefore a warning is created.

## Chapter 4

# Semantics

A complete modeling language definition consists not only of the syntax of the language but also of the language's semantics in (terms of meaning [HR04]). We have given some examples of models of the MontiArc language in Chapters 1-3 and intuitively explained the semantics of the models presented. When working with modeling languages, building models, and developing tools the models' semantics requires a more formal definition than a verbal and often vague description as given above. A formal and sound background is a prerequisite for building integrated model-based development frameworks [BS01, BR07].

In general the semantics of a language  $L$  in terms of its meaning expressed in a semantic domain  $S$  can be defined using a semantic mapping function  $m : L \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(S)$  as illustrated in Fig. 4.1 (see [HR04]). The idea behind this denotational semantics is simply to *explain* every model of  $L$  in terms of the semantic domain.

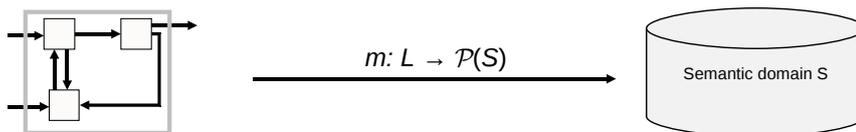


Figure 4.1: Semantic mapping of a modeling language to its semantic domain

The semantic domain  $S$  is a formal model with well defined and well understood elements, which is able to capture the meaning of elements of systems modeled using a modeling language. In the general case, where models can be under-specified or do not have an exact one-to-one representation in the semantic domain, one model (as an element of the language  $L$ ) can be mapped to a set of elements of the semantic domain that capture its meaning – including alternatives due to the underspecification. If the domain of stream processing functions  $SPF$  (see [BDD<sup>+</sup>93, Rum96, RR11]) was chosen to represent MontiArc components, the semantics of the Mon-

tiArc component `LossyChannel` from Fig. 4.2 could be the set of all stream processing functions with the (simplified) signature  $f : \mathbb{Z}^\omega \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^\omega$  since nothing is known about the behavior of the `LossyChannel` component from looking at the MontiArc model itself. A combination of structure and behavior in the semantics domain allows for example the refinement and evolution of architectures [PR97, PR99].



Figure 4.2: The component `LossyChannel` (from the example in Sect. 1.1)

In the following semantics definition we focus on the structure of systems modeled using the ADL MontiArc. It is however no problem to extend the semantic domain presented in Sect. 4.1 to a semantic domain that supports also behavior as demonstrated in [BCR06, BCR07a, BCR07b, Grö10] for object oriented systems. An extension of the semantic domain and mapping function with behavior is straight forward as shown and discussed in [BDD<sup>+</sup>93, BS01, BR07]. MontiArc can be seen as one of the modular system views discussed in [BR07] describing interfaces, hierarchical decomposition, and composition of components.

The semantic domain we present in the next section makes the semantic mapping of MontiArc models a function  $m : L \rightarrow S$ , that maps every well formed model to *exactly one element* of the semantic domain.

## 4.1 A Semantic Domain for MontiArc

We give a semantic domain that captures the structure of systems described using the ADL MontiArc. It consists of components with ports, subcomponents, and connectors as shown in the following equations and is derived from the grammars of the MontiArc language family:

$$\text{Component} = \text{CType} \times \mathcal{P}(\text{Port}) \times \mathcal{P}(\text{SubComponent}) \times \mathcal{P}(\text{Connector}) \quad (4.1)$$

$$\text{Port} = \{\text{IN}, \text{OUT}\} \times \text{PType} \times \text{PName} \quad (4.2)$$

$$\text{SubComponent} = \text{CName} \times \text{Component} \quad (4.3)$$

$$\text{Connector} = \text{CName} \times \text{PName} \times \text{CName} \times \text{PName} \quad (4.4)$$

The notation  $\mathcal{P}(\text{Port})$  refers to the power set of the set `Port`. The sets `CType` of component type names, `CName` of subcomponent names, `PName` of port names, and `PType` of port data types are not further specified and could,

e.g., consist of simple strings as well as possibly more complex elements defining their own hierarchy like the Java type system.

The construct `Component` of equation 4.1 represents components with their component type, ports, subcomponents, and connectors. Please note that this semantic domain does not necessarily require component types since these are reflected in the set of ports, subcomponents and connectors. We chose to add component types to the semantic domain as an extension to allow distinguish for example a `Filter` from a `Delay` component which might have identical interfaces and both no further subcomponents. Also the set `CType` might well support generic component types, e.g., by a string representation of the complete parametrized type name.

Connectors (equation 4.4) are part of their owning component and reference the component's subcomponents and ports by their names. For convenience we require that the set `CName` contains an element  $\dagger$  that is similar to the keyword `this` used in some object oriented languages. A connection in the semantic domain from a port of the parent component to a port of one of its children would use the  $\dagger$ -symbol to refer to the parent component. For example the `MontiArc` connector `connect messageIn -> sender.messageIn` maps to the tuple  $(\dagger, \text{messageIn}, \text{sender}, \text{messageIn})$  in the semantic domain.

In the following we refer to elements of the structures `Component`, `Port`, `SubComponent`, and `Connector` by using the abbreviation `.cName` to refer to a field of type `CName` of a tuple (if the element position in the tuple is unique). We give some well-formedness rules of the semantic domain, similar to `MontiArc` context conditions discussed in Chapter 3:

Component types determine the structure of a component:

$$\begin{aligned} \forall c_1, c_2 \in \text{Component} : \\ c_1.cType = c_2.cType \Rightarrow c_1 = c_2 \end{aligned} \quad (4.5)$$

Please note that on the other hand an identical structure does not imply the same component type.

The names of all ports of a component are unique:

$$\begin{aligned} \forall c \in \text{Component}, p_1, p_2 \in c.ports : \\ p_1.pName = p_2.pName \Rightarrow p_1 = p_2 \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

The names of all subcomponents of a component are unique:

$$\begin{aligned} \forall c \in \text{Component}, sc_1, sc_2 \in c.subComponents : \\ sc_1.name = sc_2.name \Rightarrow sc_1 = sc_2 \end{aligned} \quad (4.7)$$

Connectors can only connect ports of the component they belong to or its direct subcomponents where the ports have the correct direction:

$$\forall c \in \text{Component}, \forall (s, pn_s, r, pn_r) \in c.connectors :$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& (s = \dagger \Rightarrow \exists p \in c.\text{ports} : p.\text{pName} = pn_s \wedge p.\text{direction} = IN) \wedge \\
& (s \neq \dagger \Rightarrow \exists (s, c') \in c.\text{subComponents}, p \in c'.\text{ports} : \\
& \quad p.\text{pName} = pn_s \wedge p.\text{direction} = OUT) \wedge \\
& (r = \dagger \Rightarrow \exists p \in c.\text{ports} : p.\text{pName} = pn_r \wedge p.\text{direction} = OUT) \wedge \\
& (r \neq \dagger \Rightarrow \exists (r, c') \in c.\text{subComponents}, p \in c'.\text{ports} : \\
& \quad p.\text{pName} = pn_r \wedge p.\text{direction} = IN) \tag{4.8}
\end{aligned}$$

Every port reads at most from one port connected by a unique connector:

$$\begin{aligned}
\forall c \in \text{Component}, \forall (s1, pn1_s, r1, pn1_r), (s2, pn2_s, r2, pn2_r) \in c.\text{connectors} : \\
r1 = r2 \wedge pn1_r = pn2_r \Rightarrow \\
(s1, pn1_s, r1, pn1_r) = (s2, pn2_s, r2, pn2_r) \tag{4.9}
\end{aligned}$$

The domain given in equations (4.1) - (4.4) is a simplified and abstract version of systems modeled using the MontiArc language. The list of rules (4.5) - (4.9) is not complete but demonstrates the most important properties of the semantic domain. This formalization of the essential concepts helps when reasoning about the meaning of different models.

## 4.2 A Semantic Mapping for MontiArc

We sketch a semantic mapping of MontiArc to the semantic domain introduced in the previous section to highlight some important decisions in the design of MontiArc's semantics.

A complete and formal definition of the semantic mapping function  $m : L \rightarrow S$  can be done compositionally as, for example, shown in [CGR08] for class diagrams and sketched in [GRR09] for general modeling languages: When defining the semantic mapping of a model, children elements of nodes in the abstract syntax tree can be mapped by independent or adequately parametrized mapping functions thus simplifying the definition of the mapping by decomposition.

Here we only show some examples to illustrate the semantic mapping. The result of mapping the `LossyChannel` component from Fig. 4.2 to its semantics is as expected:

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Component} &= \{(\text{LossyChannel}, \text{ports}, \emptyset, \emptyset)\} \\
\text{ports} &= \{(\text{IN}, \text{Integer}, \text{portIn}), \\
& \quad (\text{OUT}, \text{Integer}, \text{portOut})\} \\
\text{Port} &= \text{ports} \\
\text{SubComponent} &= \emptyset \\
\text{Connector} &= \emptyset
\end{aligned}$$

CType = {LossyChannel}  
 PType = {Integer}  
 PName = {portIn, portOut}  
 CName =  $\emptyset$

A more interesting example is the semantics of the structured component BoardLightsControl given in Lst. 4.3. In this example the component definitions TurnSignalController and HeadLightsController are referenced as subcomponents.

```

1 package automotive.ecu;
2
3 import automotive.ecu.controller.TurnSignalController;
4 import automotive.ecu.controller.HeadLightsController;
5
6 component BoardLightsControl {
7
8     autoconnect port;
9
10    port
11        /* ... */
12
13    component TurnSignalController frontSignalController;
14
15    component TurnSignalController rearSignalController;
16
17    component HeadLightsController;
18 }

```

Listing 4.3: The component BoardLightsControl re-using the component TurnSignalController twice as frontSignalController and rearSignalController

The corresponding part of the semantics of component BoardLightsControl is given in the following equations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Component} &= \{(\text{BoardLightsControl}, \{\dots\}, \text{subComps}_{BLC}, \{\dots\}), \\
 &\quad (\text{TurnSignalController}, \{\dots\}, \{\dots\}, \{\dots\}) = TSC, \\
 &\quad (\text{HeadLightsController}, \{\dots\}, \{\dots\}, \{\dots\}) = HLC, \\
 &\quad \dots\} \\
 \text{subComps}_{BLC} &= \{(\text{frontSignalController}, TSC), \\
 &\quad (\text{rearSignalController}, TSC), \\
 &\quad (\text{headLightsController}, HLC)\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{SubComponent} &= \text{subComps}_{BLC} \cup \{\dots\} \\
\text{Port} &= \{\dots\} \\
\text{Connector} &= \{\dots\} \\
\text{CType} &= \{\text{BoardLightsControl}, \text{TurnSignalController}, \\
&\quad \text{HeadLightsController}, \dots\} \\
\text{PType} &= \{\dots\} \\
\text{CName} &= \{\text{frontSignalController}, \text{rearSignalController}, \\
&\quad \text{headLightsController}, \dots\} \\
\text{PName} &= \{\dots\}
\end{aligned}$$

The set `Component` consists of all components in the semantics of the model. Its first element represents the component type `BoardLightsControl`. By containing set `subCompsBLC` it includes besides the subcomponent `headLightsController` (with structure *HLC*) the subcomponents `frontSignalController` and `rearSignalController` both of type `TurnSignalController`. These subcomponents have identical structure (abbreviated as *TSC*) in the semantics.

In contrast to the `MontiArc` syntax level – where these components were just defined once and then referenced – in the semantic domain they are identical copies of the referenced component. This unfolding of the nested references into components makes the structure of an architecture more explicit.

### 4.3 Semantic Mapping Applications

In Chapter 2 we have introduced the language hierarchy of `MontiArc` starting from the basic ADL `ArcD`. For this language we have developed a code generator that translates the modeled architectures into code that can be executed within a simulation framework. Furthermore we have developed tool support for context condition checks, a symbol table infrastructure, and an Eclipse editor.

`MontiArc` extends the language `ArcD` and reuses most of the developed infrastructure. One specific case of reuse is done by transforming models of the syntactically richer language `MontiArc` to equivalent `ArcD` models. This is done by a set of transformations on the models' abstract syntax. One of these transformations is, e.g., replacing the `autoconnect` statement by a set of connectors added to the abstract syntax. These transformations are implemented in Java and assumed to be semantics preserving. The `MontiArc` keyword `autoconnect` is removed and the connectors added to the abstract syntax are concepts inherited from `ArcD` and their code generation is already implemented in the `ArcD` code generator.

To prove the correctness of these transformations one could define a semantic mapping  $m$  from the language MontiArc containing the additional language features to the semantic domain presented above. Applying the semantic mapping  $m$  to a MontiArc model should yield the same result as first applying the AST transformations and then the mapping  $m_{simp}$  from the simpler language (see Fig. 4.4).

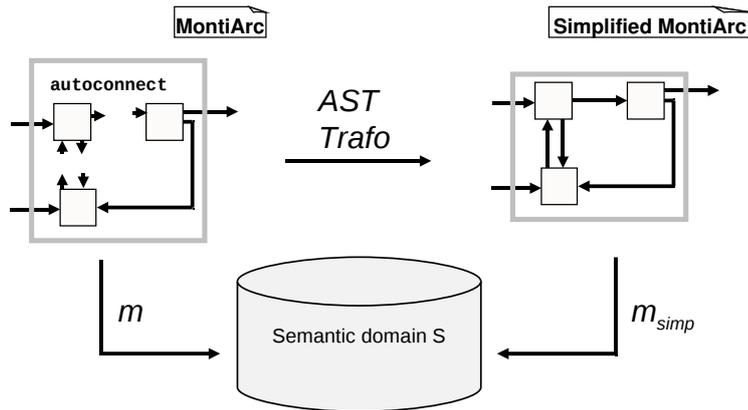


Figure 4.4: Semantic mapping of MontiArc and simplified MontiArc to show correctness of AST transformations

With a complete definition of the abstract syntax, the semantic domain, and the semantic mappings  $m$  and  $m_{simp}$  one could apply the semantic mappings to the MontiArc model and the transformed ArcD model to show that the AST transformation is semantics preserving. With an additional formalization of the AST transformation one could even show the correctness of the transformation for all MontiArc models:

$$\forall l \in \text{MontiArc} : m_{simp}(\text{astTrafo}(l)) = m(l).$$



## Appendix A

# Simplified Grammars for Humand Reading

These grammars are meant for human reading. They are MontiArc grammars, where all parsing pragmas have been striped of. They still describe the full context free language.

### A.1 Readable Architectural Diagrams Grammar

```

Readable Grammar for ArcD
1 package mc.uml.p.arcD;
2
3 /**
4  * Simplified ArcD grammar.
5  *
6  * @author Arne Haber
7  */
8 grammar SimpleArchitectureDiagram {
9
10 /* ===== */
11 /* ===== OPTIONS ===== */
12 /* ===== */
13 options {
14     compilationunit ArcComponent
15 }
16
17 /* ===== */
18 /* ===== PRODUCTIONS ===== */
19 /* ===== */
20 /**
21  * A component may contain arbitrary many ArcElements.
22  * This interface may be used as an extension point to
```

```

23 * enrich components with further elements.
24 */
25 interface ArcElement;
26
27 /**
28 * A component is a unit of computation or a data store.
29 * The size of a component may scale from a single
30 * procedure to a whole application. A component may be
31 * either decomposed to subcomponents or is atomic.
32 */
33 ArcComponent implements ArcElement =
34     Stereotype?
35     "component" Name (instanceName:Name)?
36     ArcComponentHead ArcComponentBody;
37
38 /**
39 * A components head is used to define generic type
40 * parameters that may be used as port types in the
41 * component, to define configuration parameters that may
42 * be used to configure the component, and to set the
43 * parent component of this component.
44 */
45 ArcComponentHead =
46     TypeParameters?
47     ("[" ArcParameter* "]" )?
48     ("extends" ReferenceType)?;
49
50 /**
51 * The body contains architectural elements of
52 * this component.
53 */
54 ArcComponentBody =
55     "{ "
56     ArcElement*
57     "}";
58
59 /**
60 * An ArcInterface defines an interface of a component
61 * containing in- and outgoing ports.
62 */
63 ArcInterface implements ArcElement =
64     Stereotype?
65     "port" (ArcPort)* ";";
66
67 /**
68 * An incoming port is used to receive messages, an
69 * outgoing port is used to send messages of a specific
70 * type.
71 */

```

```

72 ArcPort =
73     Stereotype?
74     ("in" | "out")
75     Type Name?;
76
77 /**
78  * A subcomponent is used to create one or more instances
79  * of another component. This way the hierarchical
80  * structure of a component is defined.
81  *
82  */
83 ArcSubComponent implements ArcElement =
84     Stereotype?
85     "component"
86     ReferenceType
87     ("(" ArcConfigurationParameter* ")" )?
88     (ArcSubComponentInstance* )? ";"";
89
90 /**
91  * A subcomponent instance binds the name of an instance
92  * with an optional list of simple connectors used to
93  * connect this instance with other subcomponents/ports.
94  */
95 ArcSubComponentInstance =
96     Name
97     ("[" ArcSimpleConnector
98     (";" ArcSimpleConnector)* "]" )?;
99
100 /**
101  * A connector connects one source port with one or many
102  * target ports.
103  */
104 ArcConnector implements ArcElement=
105     Stereotype?
106     "connect" source:QualifiedName "->"
107     targets:QualifiedName ("," targets:QualifiedName)* ";"";
108
109 /**
110  * A simple way to connect ports.
111  */
112 ArcSimpleConnector =
113     source:QualifiedName "->" targets:QualifiedName
114     ("," targets:QualifiedName)*;
115
116 /**
117  * ArcParameters are used in configurable components.
118  */
119 ArcParameter =
120     Type Name;

```

```
121
122  /**
123  * ArcConfigurationParameter are used to configure
124  * configurable components. It is either a value or a
125  * variable name.
126  */
127  ArcConfigurationParameter =
128    QualifiedName | Literal;
129 }
```

Listing A.1: Simplified common MontiCore grammar for architectural diagrams

## A.2 Readable MontiArc Grammar

Readable Grammar for MontiArc

```
1 package mc.umlpl.arc;
2
3 /**
4  * Simplified MontiArc grammar.
5  */
6 grammar SimpleMontiArc extends ArchitectureDiagram {
7
8  /* =====*/
9  /* ===== OPTIONS =====*/
10 /* =====*/
11  options {
12    compilationunit ArcComponent
13  }
14
15 /* =====*/
16 /* ===== PRODUCTIONS =====*/
17 /* =====*/
18
19  /**
20   * MontiArc components may contain arbitrary many
21   * configurations. These configurations have to
22   * implement this interface.
23   */
24  interface MontiArcConfig;
25
26  /**
27   * Extends the component body from super grammar with a
28   * configuration.
29   * @Override ArchitectureDiagram.ArcComponentBody
30   */
31  ArcComponentBody =
32    "{"
33      MontiArcConfig*
34      ArcElement*
35    "}";
36
37  /**
38   * An invariant constrains the behavior of a component.
39   */
40  MontiArcInvariant implements ArcElement =
41    "inv" Name ":" InvariantContent ";"";
42
43  /**
44   * AutoConnect is used to connect ports automatically.
45   */
```

```

46 MontiArcAutoConnect implements MontiArcConfig =
47     "autoconnect" Stereotype?
48     ("type" | "port" | "off") ";"";
49
50 /**
51 * Autoinstantiate is used to instantiate inner components
52 * without generic parameters or configuration parameters
53 * automatically. If more then one instance of this inner
54 * component is created by using a reference, the
55 * automatically instanciated reference will dissapear.
56 */
57 MontiArcAutoInstantiate implements MontiArcConfig =
58     "autoinstantiate" Stereotype?
59     ("on" | "off") ";"";
60
61 /**
62 * Sets the time behaviour from the component.
63 */
64 MontiArcTimingParadigm implements MontiArcConfig =
65     "behavior" Stereotype?
66     ("timed" | "untimed" | "timesynchronous") ";"";
67 }

```

Listing A.2: Simplified MontiCore grammar for MontiArc

## Appendix B

# Complete Grammars for Parsing

These grammars are the exact versions used in the MontiCore framework to define tool support.

### B.1 Architectural Diagrams Grammar

```
Grammar for ArcD
1 package mc.uml.p.arcD;
2
3 version "1.0";
4 /**
5  * Grammar for common architectural elements. Provides
6  * infrastructure for component definitions, component
7  * interface definitions, and the hierarchical structure
8  * of components.
9  *
10 * @author Arne Haber
11 */
12 grammar ArchitectureDiagram extends mc.uml.p.common.Common {
13
14 /* ===== */
15 /* ===== OPTIONS ===== */
16 /* ===== */
17 options {
18   compilationunit ArcComponent
19   nostring
20   parser lookahead=5
21   lexer lookahead=7
22 }
```

```

23
24 /* =====*/
25 /* ===== PRODUCTIONS =====*/
26 /* =====*/
27 /**
28 * A component may contain arbitrary many ArcElements.
29 * This interface may be used as an extension point to
30 * enrich components with further elements.
31 */
32 interface ArcElement;
33
34 /**
35 * A component is a unit of computation or a data store.
36 * The size of a component may scale from a single
37 * procedure to a whole application. A component may be
38 * either decomposed to subcomponents or is atomic.
39 *
40 * @attribute stereotype an optional stereotype
41 * @attribute name type name of this component
42 * @attribute instanceName if this optional name is given,
43 * it is automatically created a subcomponent that
44 * instantiates this inner component. This is only
45 * allowed for inner component definitions.
46 * @attribute head is used to set generic types, a
47 * configuration and a parent component
48 * @attribute body contains the architectural elements
49 * inherited by this component
50 */
51 /ArcComponent implements
52     (Stereotype? "component" Name Name? ArcComponentHead
53      "{" => ArcElement =
54      Stereotype?
55      "component" Name (instanceName:Name)?
56      head:ArcComponentHead
57      body:ArcComponentBody;
58
59 /**
60 * A components head is used to define generic type
61 * parameters that may be used as port types in the
62 * component, to define configuration parameters that may
63 * be used to configure the component, and to set the
64 * parent component of this component.
65 *
66 * @attribute genericTypeParameters a list of type
67 * parameters that may be used as port types in the
68 * component
69 * @attribute parameters a list of ArcParameters that
70 * define a configurable component. If a configurable
71 * component is referenced, these parameters have to be

```

```

71 *   set.
72 * @attribute superComponent the type of the super
73 *   component
74 */
75 /ArcComponentHead =
76   (options {greedy=true};):
77   genericTypeParameters:TypeParameters)?
78   ("[" parameters:ArcParameter
79   ("," parameters:ArcParameter)* "]"?)?
80   ("extends" superComponent:ReferenceType)?;
81
82 /**
83 * The body contains architectural elements of
84 * this component.
85 *
86 * @attribute arcElement list of architectural elements
87 */
88 /ArcComponentBody =
89   "{"
90   ArcElement*
91   "}";
92
93 /**
94 * An ArcInterface defines an interface of a component
95 * containing in- and outgoing ports.
96 *
97 * @attribute stereotype an optional stereotype
98 * @attribute ports a list of ports that are contained in
99 *   this interface
100 */
101 /ArcInterface implements (Stereotype? "port")=>
102   ArcElement =
103   Stereotype?
104   "port" ports:ArcPort ("," ports:ArcPort)* ";";
105
106 /**
107 * An incoming port is used to receive messages, an
108 * outgoing port is used to send messages of a specific
109 * type.
110 *
111 * @attribute stereotype an optional stereotype
112 * @attribute incoming true, if this is an incoming port
113 * @attribute outgoing true, if this is an outgoing port
114 * @attribute type the message type of this port
115 * @attribute name an optional name of this port
116 */
117 /ArcPort =
118   Stereotype?
119   (incoming:["in"] | outgoing:["out"])

```

```

119     Type Name?;
120
121 /**
122  * A subcomponent is used to create one or more instances
123  * of another component. This way the hierarchical
124  * structure of a component is defined.
125  *
126  * @attribute stereotype an optional stereotype
127  * @attribute type the type of the instantiated component
128  * @attribute arguments list of configuration parameters
129  *   that are to be set, if the instantiated component is
130  *   configurable.
131  * @attribute instances list of instances that should be
132  *   created
133  */
134 /ArcSubComponent implements
135     (Stereotype? "component" ReferenceType
136     ("(" | Name | ";" )=> ArcElement =
137     Stereotype?
138     "component"
139     type:ReferenceType
140     ("(" arguments:ArcConfigurationParameter
141     ("," arguments:ArcConfigurationParameter)* ")" )?
142     (instances:ArcSubComponentInstance
143     ("," instances:ArcSubComponentInstance)* )? ";" );
144
145 /**
146  * A subcomponent instance binds the name of an instance
147  * with an optional list of simple connectors used to
148  * connect this instance with other subcomponents/ports.
149  *
150  * @attribute name the name of this instance
151  * @attribute connectors list of simple connectors
152  */
153 /ArcSubComponentInstance =
154     Name
155     ("[" connectors:ArcSimpleConnector
156     ( ";" connectors:ArcSimpleConnector)* "]" )?;
157
158 /**
159  * A connector connects one source port with one or many
160  * target ports.
161  *
162  * @attribute source source port or component instance
163  *   name
164  * @attribute targets a list of target ports or component
165  *   instance names
166  */
167 /ArcConnector implements

```

```

168         (Stereotype? "connect" QualifiedName "->")=>
169             ArcElement=
170             Stereotype?
171             "connect" source:QualifiedName "->"
172             targets:QualifiedName ("," targets:QualifiedName)* ";";
173
174 /**
175  * A simple way to connect ports.
176  *
177  * @attribute source the source port or component instance
178  *   name
179  * @attribute targets a list of target port or component
180  *   instance names
181  */
182 /ArcSimpleConnector =
183     source:QualifiedName "->" targets:QualifiedName
184     ("," targets:QualifiedName)*;
185
186 /**
187  * ArcParameters are used in configurable components.
188  *
189  * @attribute Type the type of the parameter
190  * @attribute name the name of the parameter
191  */
192 /ArcParameter =
193     Type Name;
194
195 /**
196  * ArcConfigurationParameter are used to configure
197  * configurable components. It is either a value or a
198  * variable name.
199  *
200  * @attribute typeRef reference to an Enum type or
201  *   static constant
202  * @attribute variable a variable name
203  * @attribute value a concrete literal value
204  */
205 /ArcConfigurationParameter =
206     (Name ".")=> typeRef:QualifiedName |
207     variable:Name |
208     value:Literal;
209
210 /* ===== */
211 /* ===== ASTRULES ===== */
212 /* ===== */
213 // replacement of ASTCNode with UMLPNode
214 ast ArcComponent astextends
215     /mc.uml.common._ast.UMLPNode;
216 ast ArcComponentHead astextends

```

```
216     /mc.uml.p.common._ast.UMLPNode;  
217 ast ArcComponentBody astextends  
218     /mc.uml.p.common._ast.UMLPNode;  
219 ast ArcPort astextends  
220     /mc.uml.p.common._ast.UMLPNode;  
221 ast ArcConnector astextends  
222     /mc.uml.p.common._ast.UMLPNode;  
223 ast ArcSimpleConnector astextends  
224     /mc.uml.p.common._ast.UMLPNode;  
225 ast ArcSubComponent astextends  
226     /mc.uml.p.common._ast.UMLPNode;  
227 ast ArcSubComponentInstance astextends  
228     /mc.uml.p.common._ast.UMLPNode;  
229 ast ArcParameter astextends  
230     /mc.uml.p.common._ast.UMLPNode;  
231 }
```

Listing B.1: Common MontiCore grammar for architectural diagrams

## B.2 MontiArc Grammar

```
Grammar for MontiArc
1 package mc.umlpl.arc;
2
3 version "1.0";
4 grammar MontiArc extends mc.umlpl.arcd.ArchitectureDiagram {
5
6 /* =====*/
7 /* ===== OPTIONS =====*/
8 /* =====*/
9     options {
10         compilationunit ArcComponent
11         nostring
12         parser lookahead=5
13         lexer lookahead=7
14     }
15
16 /* =====*/
17 /* ===== PRODUCTIONS =====*/
18 /* =====*/
19
20 /**
21  * MontiArc components may contain arbitrary many
22  * configurations. These configurations have to
23  * implement this interface.
24  */
25 interface MontiArcConfig;
26
27 /**
28  * Extends the component body from super grammar with a
29  * configuration.
30  *
31  * @attribute MontiArcConfig configures the component
32  * @attribute ArcElement the architectural elements in the
33  *   body
34  * @Override ArchitectureDiagram.ArcComponentBody
35  */
36 ArcComponentBody =
37     "{"
38     MontiArcConfig*
39     ArcElement*
40     "}";
41
42 /**
43  * An invariant constrains the behavior of a component.
44  *
45  * @attribute kind the optional kind of this invariant.
```

```

46 * @attribute name name of the invariant
47 * @attribute invariantExpression the invariant defined
48 *   in the language 'kind'
49 */
50 MontiArcInvariant implements
51   (Name? "inv" Name ":")=> ArcElement =
52   (kind:Name)? "inv" Name ":"
53   invariantExpression:InvariantContent(parameter kind)
54   ";;";
55 /**
56 * AutoConnect is used to connect ports automatically.
57 *
58 * @attribute stereotype optional stereotype
59 * @attribute type autoconnect unambiguous ports with the
60 *   same type
61 * @attribute port autoconnect unambiguous ports with the
62 *   same name and compatible type
63 * @attribute off do not use autoconnection (default)
64 */
65 MontiArcAutoConnect implements MontiArcConfig =
66   "autoconnect" Stereotype?
67   (["type"] | ["port"] | ["off"]) ";;";
68
69 /**
70 * Autoinstantiate is used to instantiate inner components
71 * without generic parameters or configuration parameters
72 * automatically. If more then one instance of this inner
73 * component is created by using a reference, the
74 * automatically instanciated reference will dissappear.
75 *
76 * @attribute stereotype optional stereotype
77 * @attribute on turns autoinstantiate on
78 * @attribute off turns autoinstantiate off (default)
79 */
80 MontiArcAutoInstantiate implements MontiArcConfig =
81   "autoinstantiate" Stereotype?
82   (["on"] | ["off"]) ";;";
83
84 /**
85 * Sets the time behaviour from the component.
86 *
87 * @attribute stereotype optional stereotype
88 * @attribute timed a timed component
89 * @attribute untimed an untimed component
90 * @attribute timesynchronous a timesynchronous component
91 *   (can only process one message per timeunit)
92 */
93 MontiArcTimingParadigm implements MontiArcConfig =

```

```

94     "behavior" Stereotype?
95     (["timed"] | ["untimed"] | ["timesynchronous"]) ";"";
96
97 /* =====*/
98 /* ===== ASTRULES =====*/
99 /* =====*/
100 // toString for ArcInvariant
101 ast MontiArcInvariant astextends
102     /mc.uml.common._ast.UMLPNode =
103     method public String toString() {
104         return (this.getKind() != null ?
105             this.getKind() + " " : "") + "inv " +
106             this.getName();
107     };
108 // replacement of ASTCNode with UMLPNode
109 ast MontiArcTimingParadigm astextends
110     /mc.uml.common._ast.UMLPNode;
111 ast MontiArcAutoInstantiate astextends
112     /mc.uml.common._ast.UMLPNode;
113 ast MontiArcAutoConnect astextends
114     /mc.uml.common._ast.UMLPNode;
115 }

```

Listing B.2: Common MontiCore grammar for MontiArc



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