

# Comparison of the textual description language

	KIELER SyncCharts	YAKINDU SCT	
Declarations	<p><b>Pure Signals:</b> signals have a present status:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>absent or present</li> <li>must be set for input signals</li> <li>computed for local and output signals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>for each tick absent by default unless signal is emitted</li> </ul> </li> <li>Example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emit signal S: S</li> <li>Test for presence: S</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Valued Signals:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>are pure signals than additionally are able to store a value</li> <li>values are persistent across ticks</li> <li>Example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emit signal V with value 3: V(3)</li> <li>Test for presence: V</li> <li>Get the last emitted value of V: ?V</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Variables:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Are not shared between concurrent regions</li> <li>Currently implemented by host type variables</li> </ul>	<p><b>Events:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>interface scope: events can either be ingoing (in event event) or outgoing (out event event).</li> <li>local scope: events are able to store a value.</li> </ul> <pre>internal: event localEvent : bool</pre> <p><b>Variables:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>variable: <pre>var variable: string</pre> </li> <li>read-only variable: <pre>var readonly size: int = 10</pre> </li> <li>external variable: can be referenced by the environment <pre>var external variable: int = 44</pre> External variables are not used at the moment. </li> </ul>	
Types	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>int</li> <li>bool</li> <li>string</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>pure:</b> only makes sense for Signals. Signals are absent or present.</li> <li><b>unsigned</b></li> <li><b>float</b></li> <li><b>double</b></li> <li><b>host:</b> no actual type is given. The given type in the hostType attribute is used.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>integer</li> <li>boolean</li> <li>string</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>real</li> <li>void</li> </ul> <p>New types are going to be added. A type system abstraction is present.</p>	
Expressions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Logical AND:</b> var1 &amp;&amp; var2</li> <li><b>Logical OR:</b> var1    var2</li> <li><b>Logical NOT:</b> !var1</li> </ul> <pre>(A and B) or ((not C) and D)</pre>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Logical AND:</b> var1 &amp;&amp; var2</li> <li><b>Logical OR:</b> var1    var2</li> <li><b>Logical NOT:</b> !var1</li> <li><b>Conditional Expression:</b> var1 ? var2 : var3</li> </ul>	
Operations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Equal:</b> '='</li> <li><b>Less Than:</b> '&lt;'</li> <li><b>Equal Or Less Than:</b> '&lt;='</li> <li><b>Greater Than:</b> '&gt;'</li> <li><b>Equal Or Greater Than:</b> '&gt;='</li> <li><b>NOT:</b> '!='</li> <li><b>Add:</b> '+'</li> <li><b>Minus:</b> '-'</li> <li><b>Multiply:</b> '*'</li> <li><b>Divide:</b> '/'</li> <li><b>Modulo:</b> 'mod'</li> <li><b>Value:</b> '?'</li> </ul> <pre>?B = 3</pre> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>PRE:</b> 'pre': <pre>pre(S):gives the presence status of S at the previous tick.</pre> <pre>pre(?S):returns the value of S at the previous tick.</pre> </li> <li><b>NE:</b> '&lt;&gt;'</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Equal:</b> '=='</li> <li><b>less than:</b> '&lt;'</li> <li><b>Equal Or Less Than:</b> '&lt;='</li> <li><b>Greater Than:</b> '&gt;'</li> <li><b>Equal Or Greater Than:</b> '&gt;='</li> <li><b>Not Equal:</b> '!='</li> <li><b>Plus:</b> '+'</li> <li><b>Minus:</b> '-'</li> <li><b>Multiply:</b> '*'</li> <li><b>Divide:</b> '/'</li> <li><b>Modulo:</b> '%'</li> <li><b>valueOf()</b></li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Shift Left:</b> '&lt;&lt;'</li> <li><b>Shift Right:</b> '&gt;&gt;'</li> <li><b>Positive:</b> '+'</li> <li><b>Negative:</b> '-'</li> <li><b>Complement:</b> '~'</li> </ul>	

<b>Trigger</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Simple signal reference: I / O</li> <li>• Boolean expression: (A and B) or ((not C) and D)</li> <li>• Valued Signals and Variables can be used in conditions in these boolean expressions  variable &gt; 1  ?A = 1</li> <li>• Comparison  ?A &gt; (variable + 1)  A and (3 &gt; ?B) or ((var5 + 2) = 6)</li> <li>• Pre  A and pre(B)  3 &lt; pre(?A)</li> <li>• Immediate, #S: the trigger is satisfied as soon as the state is entered..</li> <li>• Count Delays, 3 S</li> <li>• Time in SyncCharts: Multifiform notion of time, e.g., signal SECOND appears every second (depending on the physical tick length).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>event:</b>  I / raise O</li> <li>• <b>after:</b>  after 20 s</li> <li>• <b>every</b>  every 200 ms</li> <li>• <b>always:</b> enables a reaction to be executed in every run to completion step</li> <li>• <b>default:</b> enables a reaction to be executed in every run to completion step</li> <li>• <b>else:</b> used in transitions and implies the lowest evaluation priority for that transition.</li> <li>• <b>entry</b></li> <li>• <b>exit</b></li> <li>• <b>oncycle</b></li> </ul>	
<b>Effects</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emission of a simple signal / A</li> <li>• Emission of value of a valued Signal  / A(3)</li> <li>• Assignment of a variable  / varA := 42</li> <li>• Multiple effects get comma- or whitespace separated  / A, B, C(25), varA := 2</li> <li>• New values may use value expressions as explained above  / A(3 + pre(?B)), varC := (varD + 1)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Assignment of a variable:</b> S / varA = 5</li> <li>• <b>raise</b> myvar</li> <li>• <b>myvar = valueof(event):</b> Returns the value of an valued event that it passed to the function as parameter.</li> <li>• <b>mybool = active(StateA):</b> Returns „true“ if a state is active or „false“ otherwise.</li> </ul>	