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What is new in **SCCharts** Version 1.0?

One main change is the new textual SCCharts syntax using the new .sctx file extension. See Converting Legacy Models (sct) on how to convert your existing models.

Controlflow / Dataflow Hybrid-Models

• You can now add dataflow regions to your SCCharts models (see Syntax#Dataflow)

Semantic Comments

- You can now add semantic comments to your SCCharts models (see Syntax#Comments)
- You can also alter the style of the comments to mark POI in your program

New Reference / Module Support / Experimental Inheritance

- The reference and module support for SCCharts has been reworked (see Syntax#References)
- The content assist will help the modeler with the model bindings
- Multiple SCCharts models can be stored in one file
- SCCharts now supports experimental inheritance

For Region

- Regions can be duplicated automatically (see Syntax#ForRegions)
- For regions have access a unique iterator variable

Vectors

- You can now use vector values to assign arrays. (see Syntax#Vectors)
- · Vectors can also be used in the dataflow models.

Further Experimental Features

- Added Scheduling Directives
- Added Probabilistic Transitions
- Added timed automata support for SCCharts

New Expressions

- Expression language now supports infix assignment operators
- Expression language now supports bitwise xor and bitwise not
- Expression language now supports shift operators
- Expression language now supports the ternary conditional operator
- Operator precedences are now correctly mapped to the kexpressions model structure
- Improved host code expressions support

New Annotations & Pragmas

- Added pragma support to differ between model element annotations and file specific pragmas
- · Added unicode pragmas
- Added compiler pragmas
- Added generic layout annotations

SCCharts Syntax Changes

- · Primes can be used in identifier
- Hostcode now uses accent grave (`)
- · Function call syntax with angle brackets is considered deprecated. It can still be accessed with the extern keyword
- · Semicolon now exclusively stands for the sequence operator. By default you don't need a semicolon as line/command delimiter.
- To see a complete overview of the SCCharts syntax, please consult our SCCharts syntax page.

What is new in **KIELER** SCCharts Version 1.0?

New Compiler Framework (a.k.a. KiCo 3.0 a.k.a. KiCool)

- Compilation systems are now models which can be configured and instantiated at run-time
- · Added pre-configured systems for all existing compilation approaches and tests
- Redone all associated views
 - Added multi-select in side-by-side mode
- · Integrated model element tracing
- Integrated valued object meta information

New Code Generation for SCCharts

- The code generation now creates functions that can handle different status instances of a program.
- The model status is generally saved to a dedicated struct.
- Added new state-based code generation approach for C
- Added new lean state-based code generation approach for C
- There now exist modular compilation systems for all supported compilation approaches
 - Netlist-based C
 - Netlist-based Java
 - Priority-based C
 - Priority-based Java
 - State-based C
 - Lean State-based C
- All compilation systems have additional variants for simulation and tests

New Supplementary Code Generations

- Original Esterel
- SCEst
- · Experimental compilation to Lustre
- · Experimental compilation from Lustre

New Processors

- Besides the mandatory processors for the a.m. code generators there are several optional new processors for academic and experimental purposes
 - generic SSA
 - Loop analyses and compiler optimizations (e.g. copy & constant propagation)
 - · External compiler invocation
 - Arduino deployment
 - Eclipse project setups
 - Structural Depth Join (SDJ) for schizophrenic models

New Warnings & Errors

- · Detailed reference warnings
- Label shadowing

Integrated Simulation

The simulation backend has been rewritten to be more lightweight, flexible and transparent and to better integrate in the workflow.

Major new features are:

- Improved usability for simulations (one-click simulations)
- Support for arrays and internal variables, such as SCG guards
- Full integration of simulation code generation into KiCo and the project structure (KIELER-Temp project)

Simulation Visualization

- · Added dedication data view for simulation values
- Added live values inside the model diagram
- Simulation visualization view that links an SVG image to the program state, using a mapping and javascript commands defined in a kiviz file.

What is new in KIELER SCCharts Version 1.0 for **Developers**?

Grammar Changes

- A dash (-) is now available in ExtendedIDs. SCCharts States may now include dashes in their IDs.
- Single underscore (_) IDs are no longer valid. Underscores prefix generated IDs or are Value keywords.

KExpressions

- Valued Objects in assignments and emissions are now valued object references. Hence, they reuse the KExpressions concepts.
 - If you @inject KEffectsExtensions, you can use the same syntax as before. Otherwise, assignment.reference is the Valued ObjectReference that points to the referenced ValuedObject. You can use the reference as usual. Keep in mind that it is a containment.

Workflow

- The compiler framework now uses KiCo 3.0. Please consult the developer documentation of KiCo for further questions.
- The simulation framework now uses the V3 simulation based on KiCo 3.0. Please consult the developer documentation of the simulation for further questions.
- Most of the test cases now uses the models repository directly. You can specify the location of you models repository in the models_repository variable in your test launch configuration. Please consult the developer documentation of the test framework for further questions.