

SmartOS: An OS Architecture for Sustainable Embedded Systems

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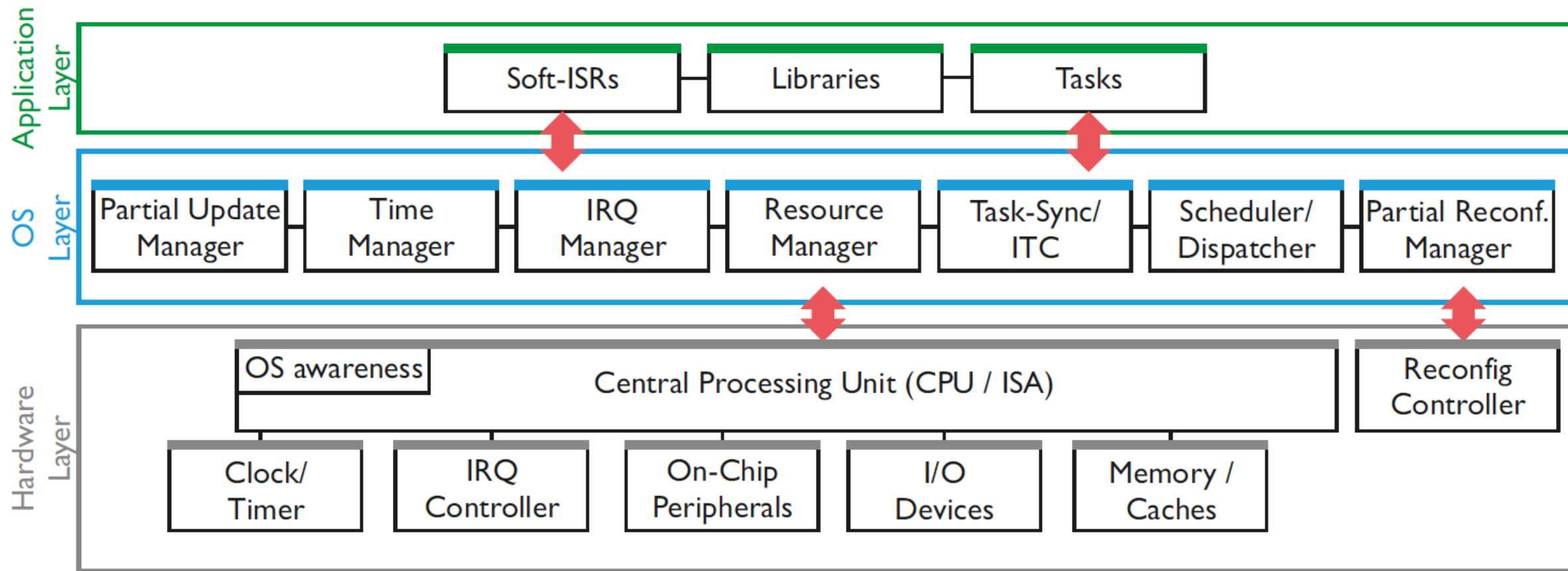
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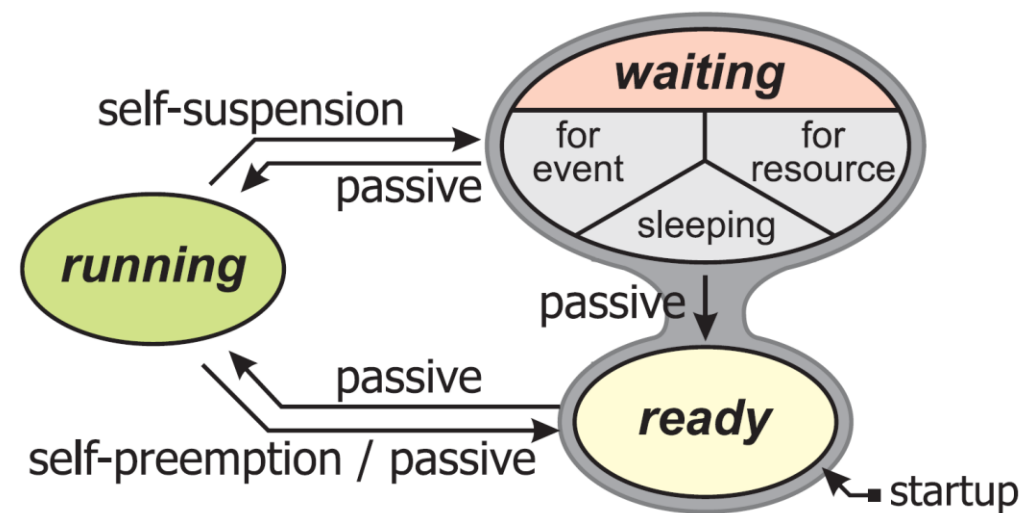
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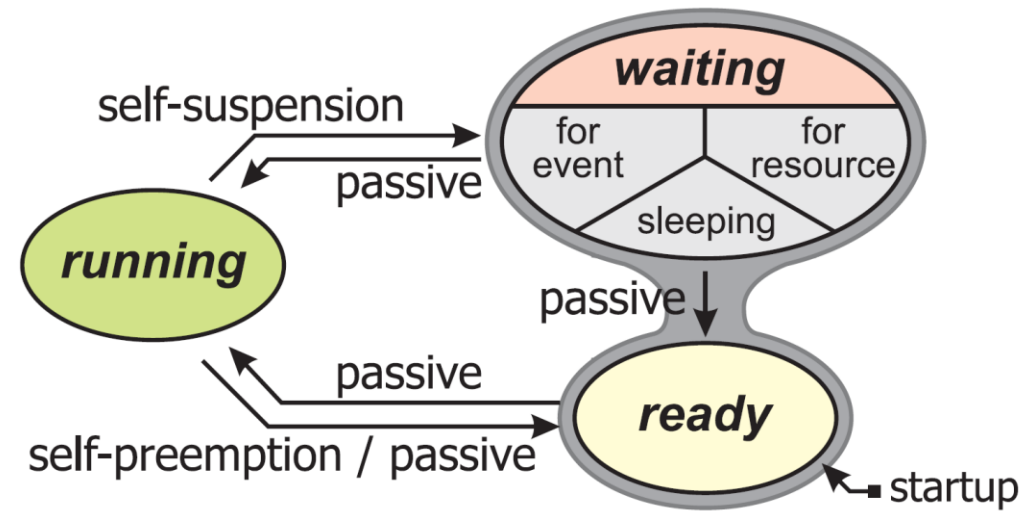
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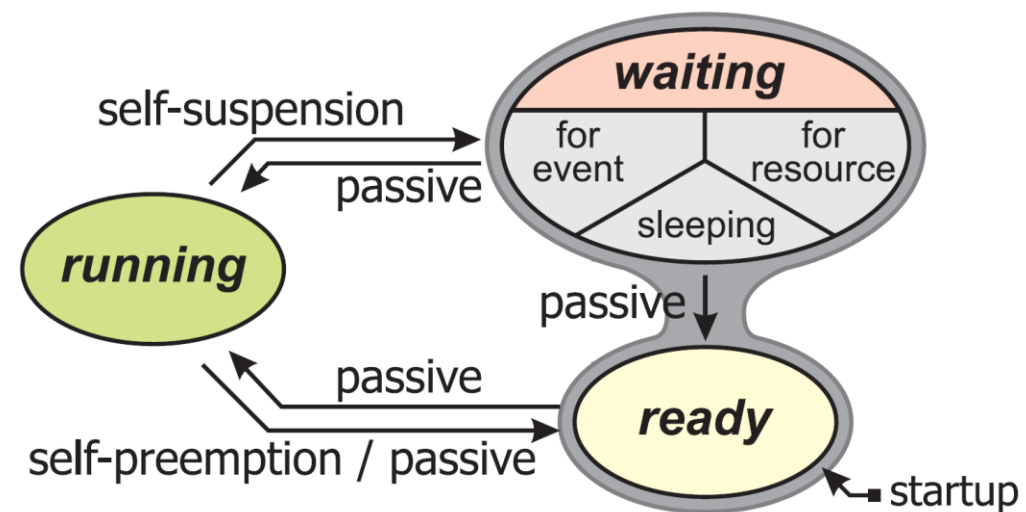
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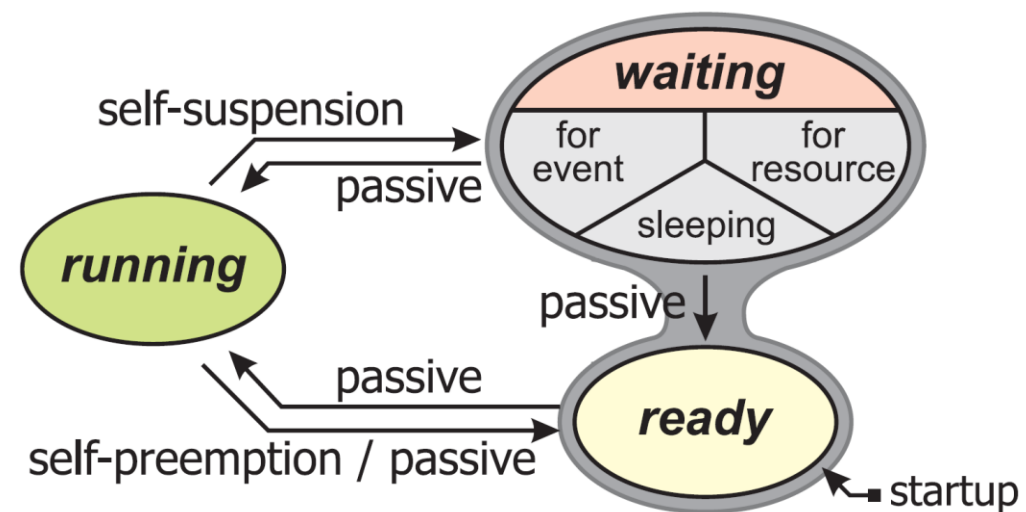
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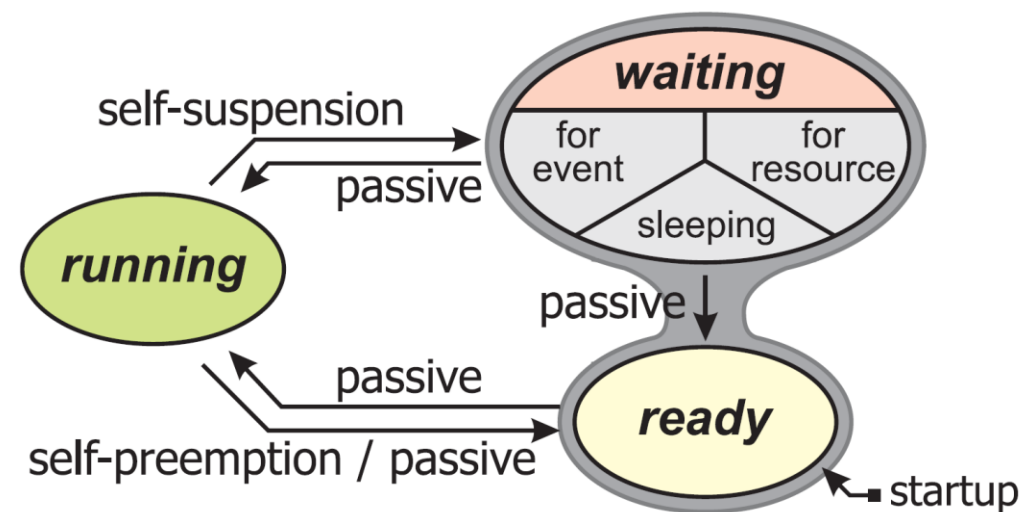


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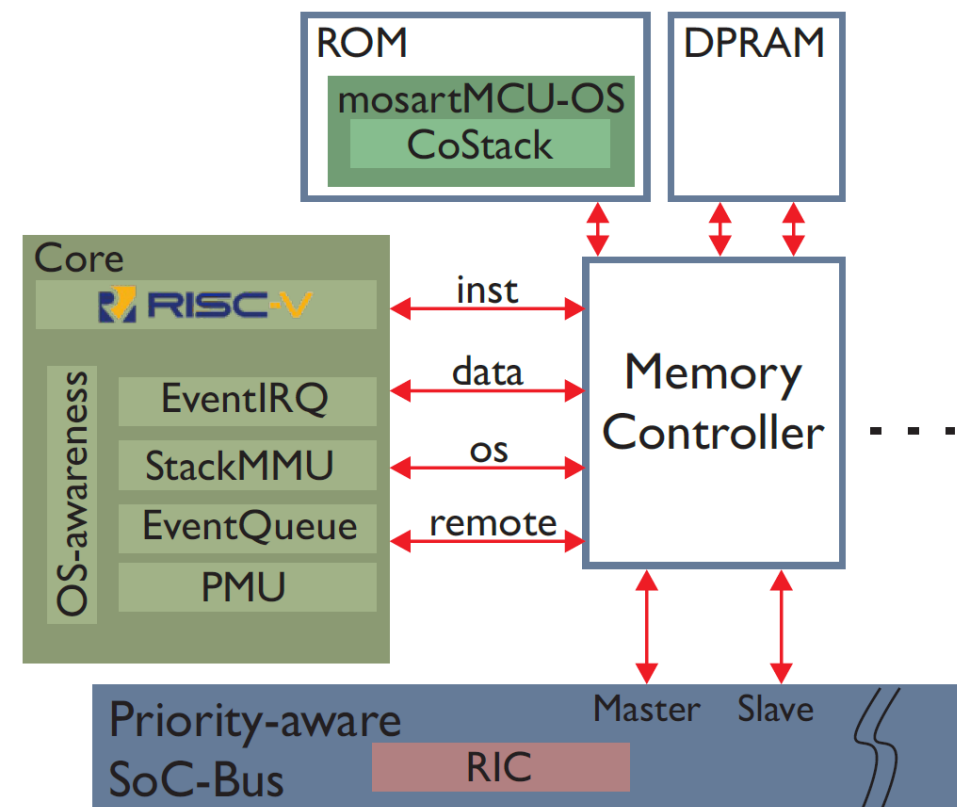
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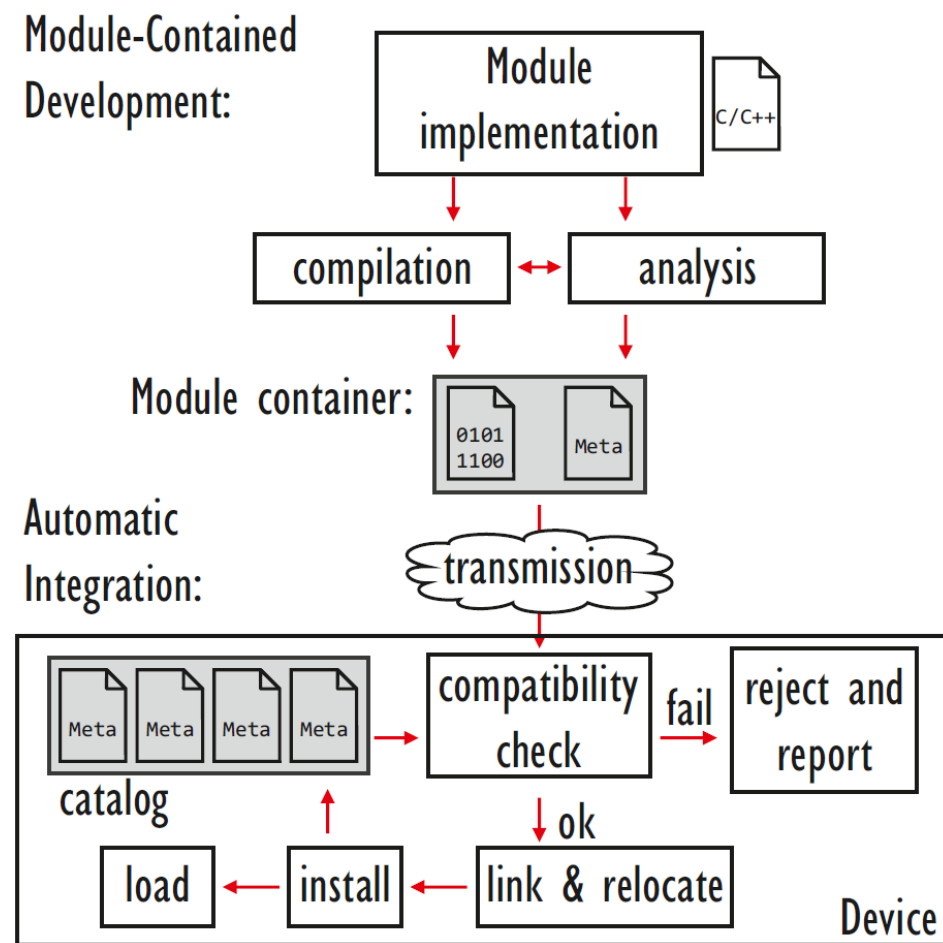
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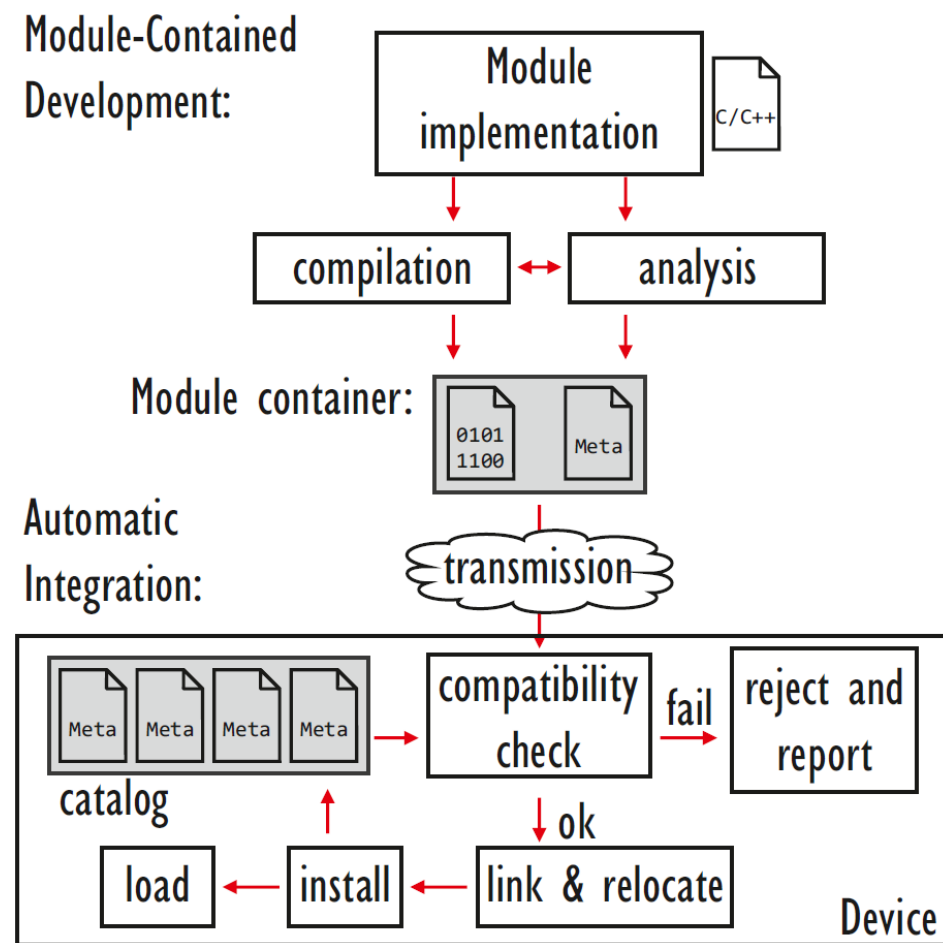
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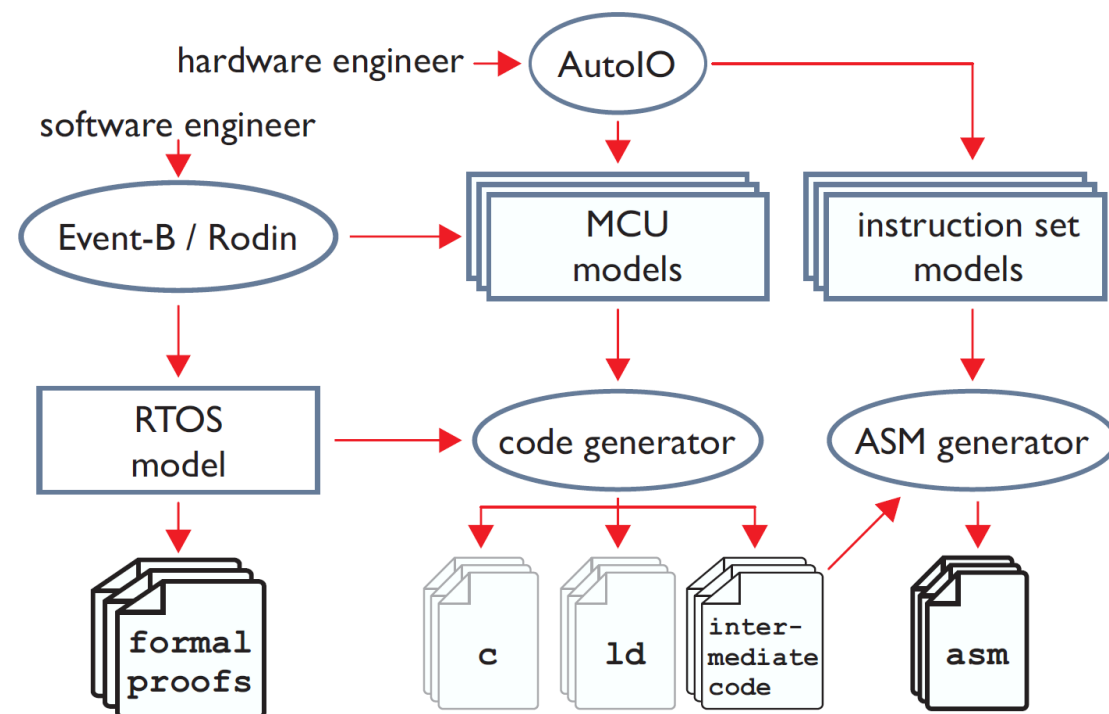
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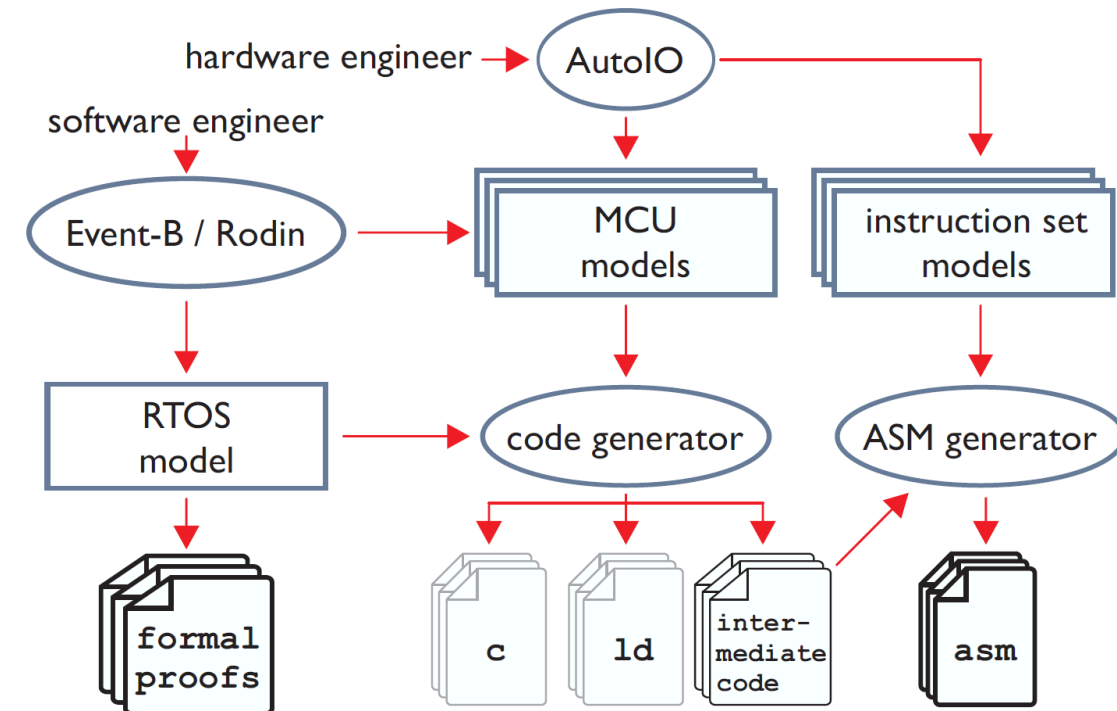
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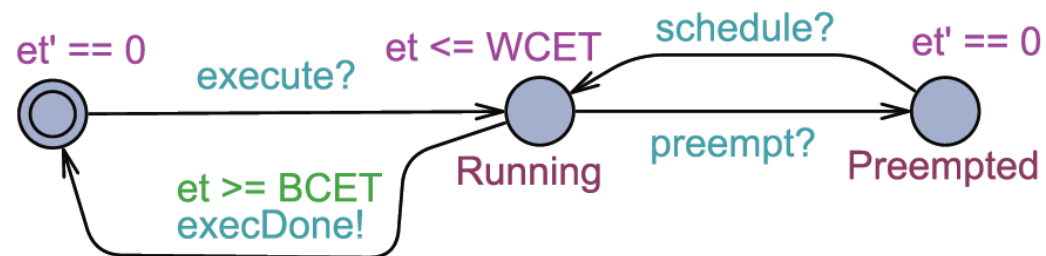
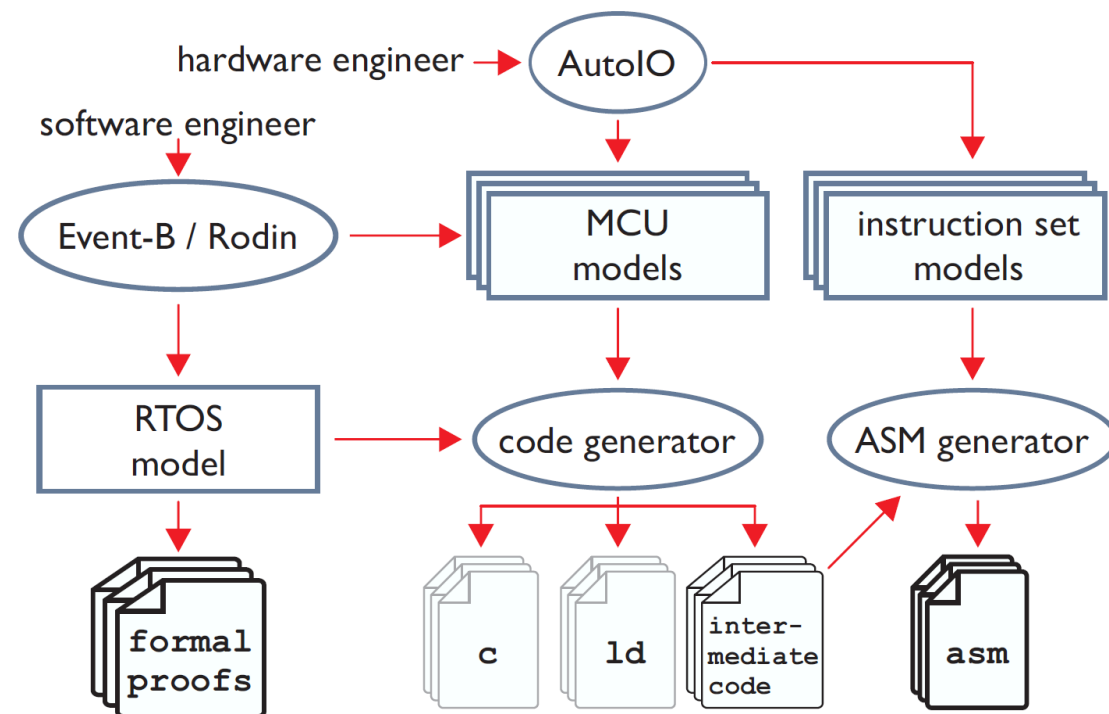
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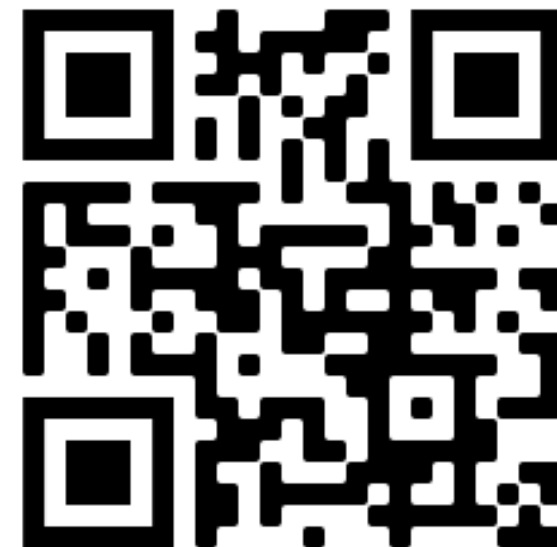
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- Providing an OS architecture that inherently supports them by design

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