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Test System Modelling and TTCN-3 Code Generation

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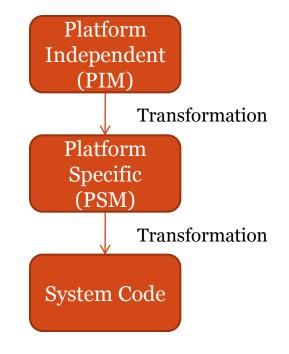
Motivation

- How to capture the implicit idea in testers mind
- How to make test design easier to be understood and maintained
- How to improve efficiency of test system design and implementation



MDA(Model-Driven architecture)

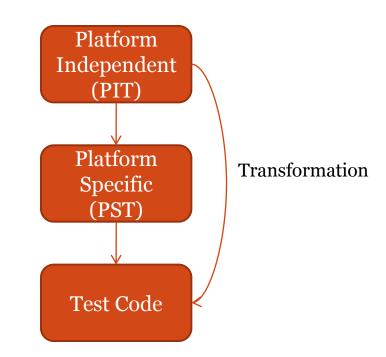
- Model-driven architecture (MDA) is a software design approach for the development of software systems.
- It was launched by the Object Management Group (OMG) in 2001.
- It provides a set of guidelines for the structuring of specifications, which are expressed as models.
- Model-driven architecture is a kind of domain engineering, and supports model-driven engineering of software systems.





MDT(Model-Driven Testing)

- The philosophy of MDA can also be applied on test modelling, which is called Model-driven testing.
- In MDT, testers use test system model to analyze test requirement and design the test system.
- Test system model describes all aspects of the test data, test cases and the test configure.
- Finally, test system model(PIT & PST) can be transformed to test code.





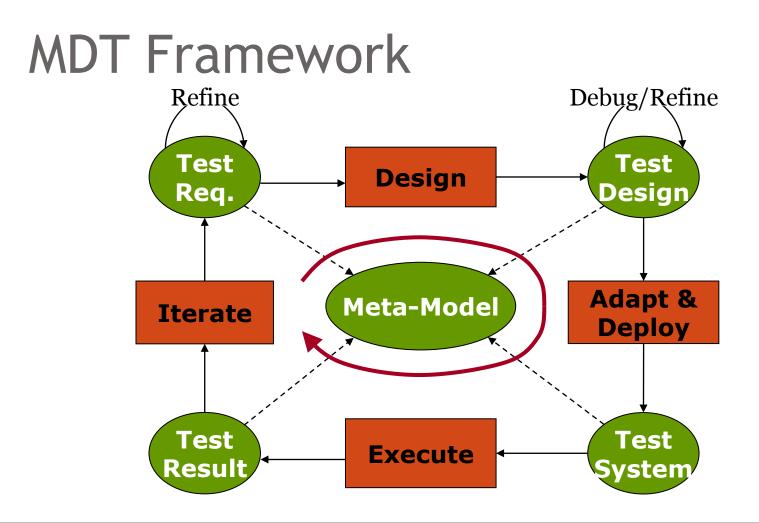
Why MDT?

Abstraction

- works on a high level of abstraction thus makes tester focus on test design
- easy to be understood and maintained
- Automation
 - generate executable test code directly from test model









U2TP

- The UML 2.0 Testing Profile (U2TP) is a UML 2.0 profile for the testing.
- has become an official OMG standard since March 2004.
- defines a language for designing, visualizing, specifying, analyzing, constructing and documenting the artifacts of test systems.



U2TP Concepts

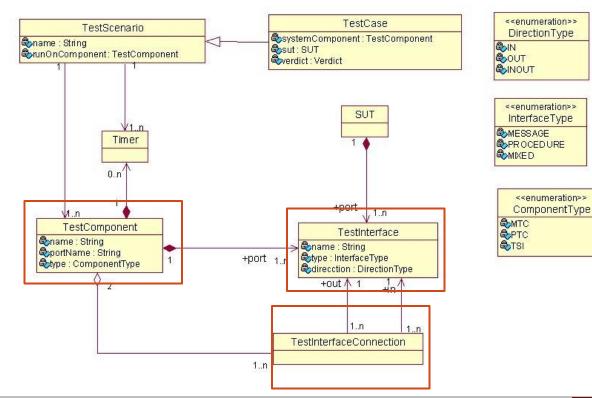
- U2TP introduces four logical concept groups covering the aspects:
 - Test Architecture
 - concepts for test structure and test configuration
 - Test Data
 - concepts for test data used in test procedures
 - Test Behavior
 - concepts for the dynamic aspects of test procedures and addressing observations and activities during a test
 - Time
 - concepts for a time quantified definition of test procedures



Test System Model

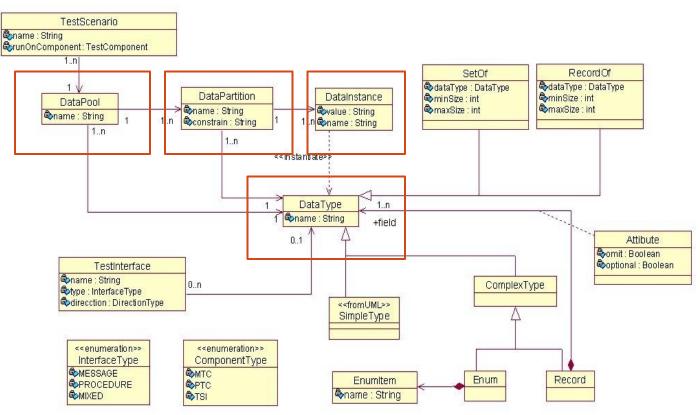
- How to define test system model
 - U2TP is a test modelling language on a higher level
 - TTCN-3 is focus on test execution details
- Meta-model
 - Test Configure
 - Test Data
 - Test Behavior

Test System Meta-model: Test Configure



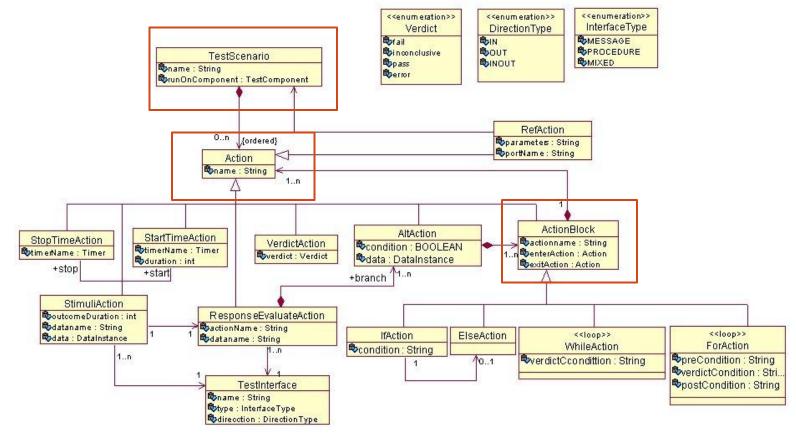


Test System Meta-model: Test Data





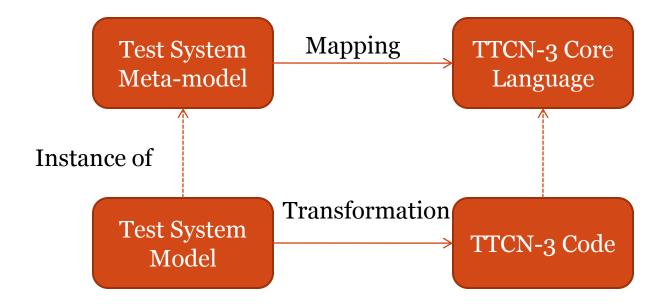
Test System Meta-model: Test Behavior





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| Aspect | U2TP | Test System Meta-model | TTCN-3 Core Language |
| Test Behavior | Test Objective | TestObjective | |
| | Test Case | TestCase | testcase |
| | | TestScenario | function |
| | Defaults | Default | function |
| | Behavior | ExciteAction | send/call/reply |
| | | ResponseJudgeAction | receive/getcall/getreply |
| | | DecisionAction | if() {} |
| | | LoopAction | while() {} |
| | | RefAction | function call |
| | | ActionBlock | {} |
| | Verdict | ValidationAction | setverdict |
| | Arbiter | | |
| | Scheduler | TestScheduler | |
| | Test Control | TestBehavior | |
| Time | Timer | StartTimerAction | timer.start |
| | | StopTimerAction | timer.stop |
| | Time Zone | | |
| Test Configure | Package | TestSystem | module |
| | SUT | SUT | (test system interface) |
| | Test Context | TestArchitecture | |
| | Test Configuration | | |
| | Test Component | TestComponent | component |
| | Interface | TestInterface | port |
| Test Data | Data Pool | DataPool | group |
| | Data Partition | DataPartition | group |
| | Data Selector | DataSelector | funtion |
| | Wildcards | | ?* |
| | Coding Rules | CodingRule | |

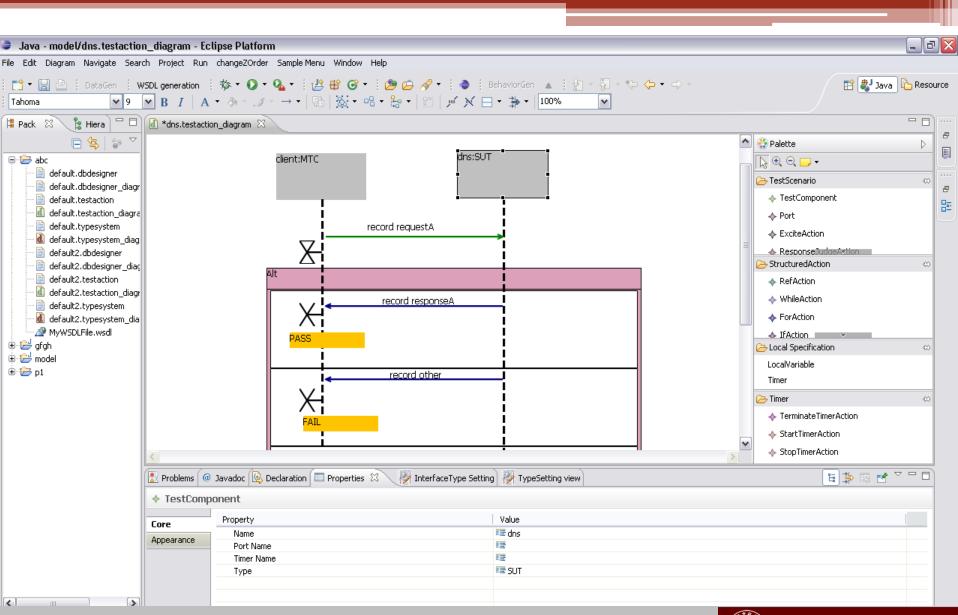
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Tools

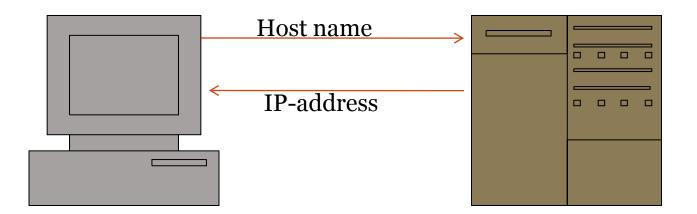
- Eclipse plug-in based on EMF(Eclipse Modelling Framework) and GMF(Graphical Modelling Framework)
- Test System Modelling Tools
 - Test Data
 - Test Configure
 - Test Behavior
- TTCN-3 Code Generation Tools







Example: Local DNS Server

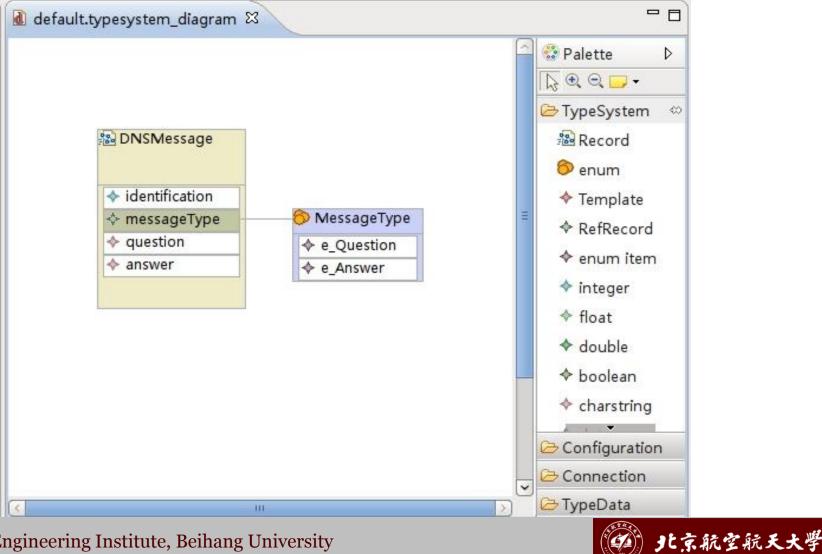


Local Network Client

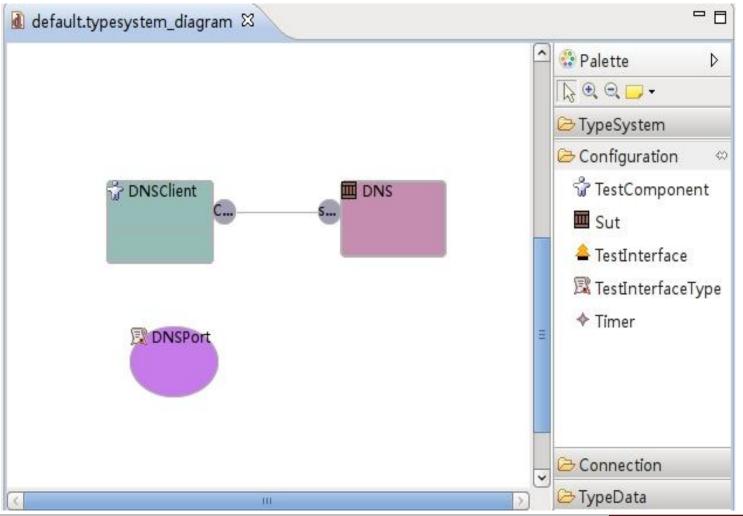
Local Domain Name Server



Data Type

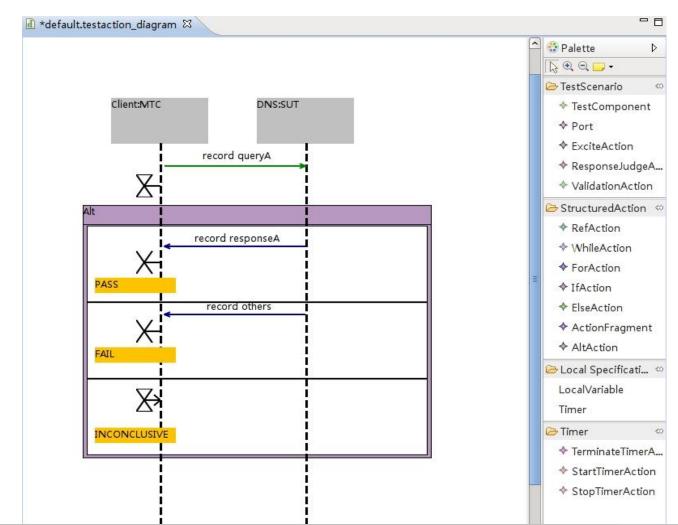


Configure

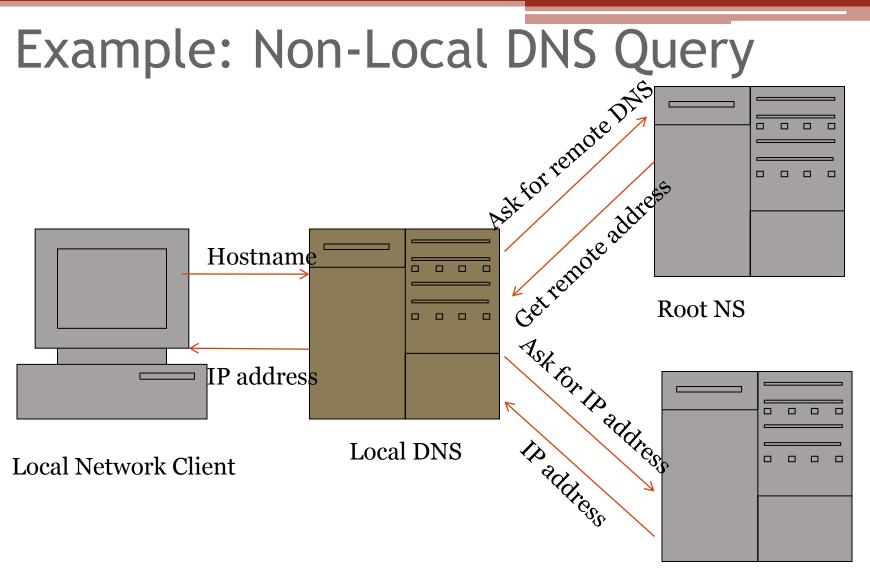




Behavior



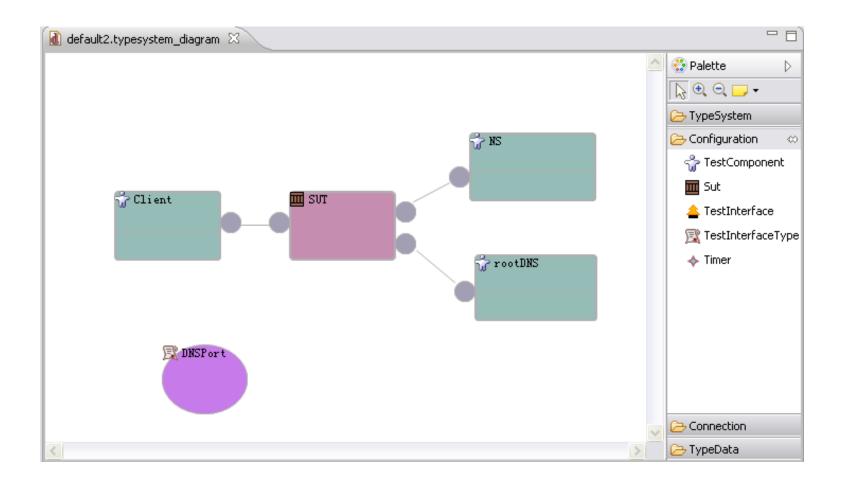




Remote DNS

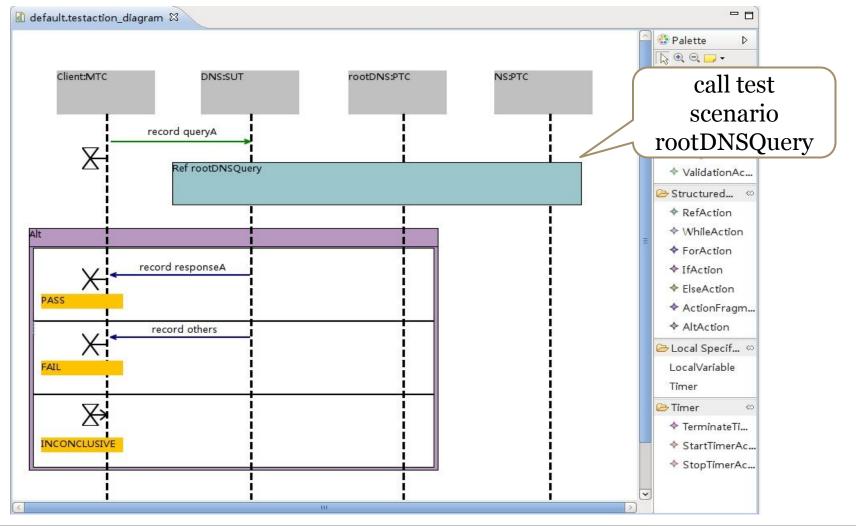


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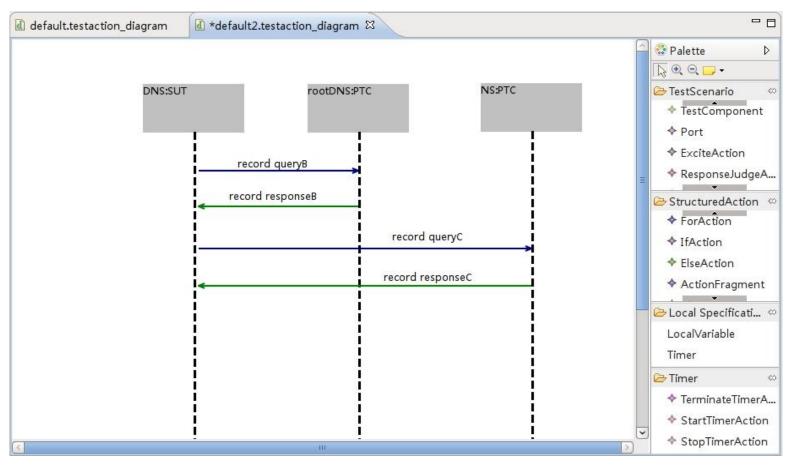
Behavior





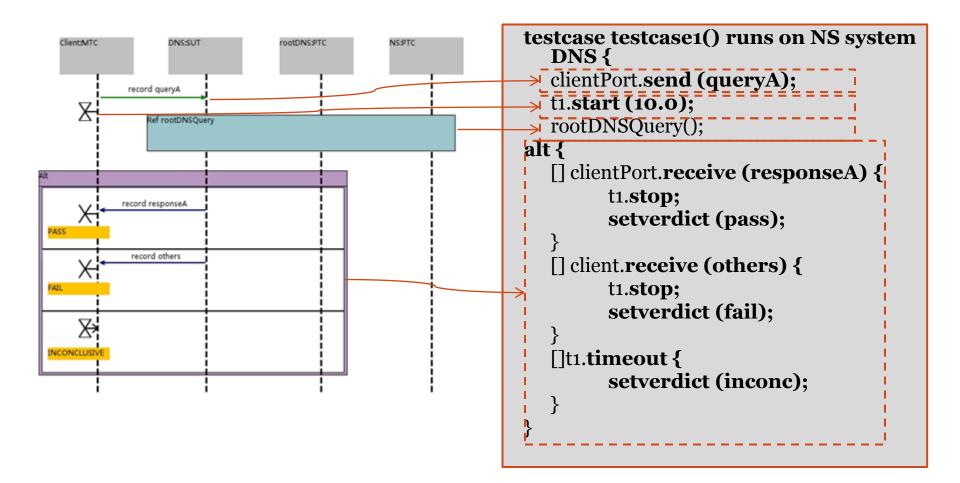
Behavior(2)

TestScenario:rootDNSQuery



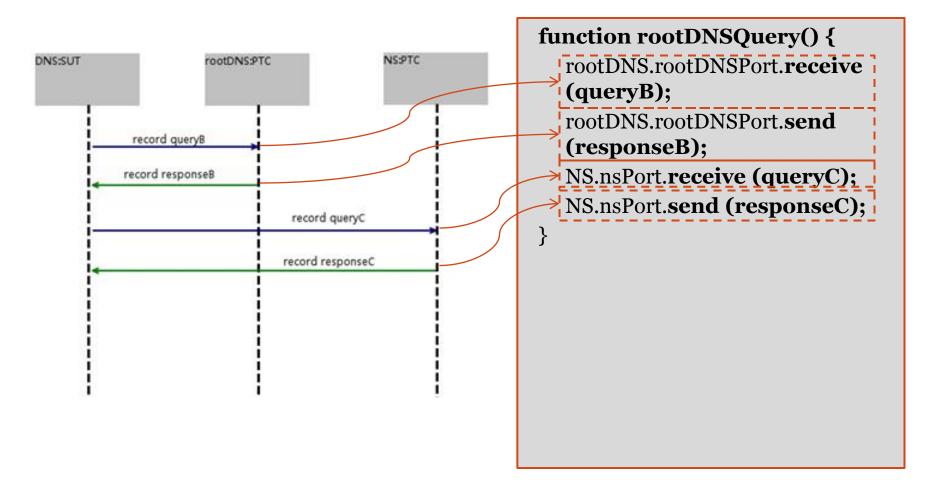


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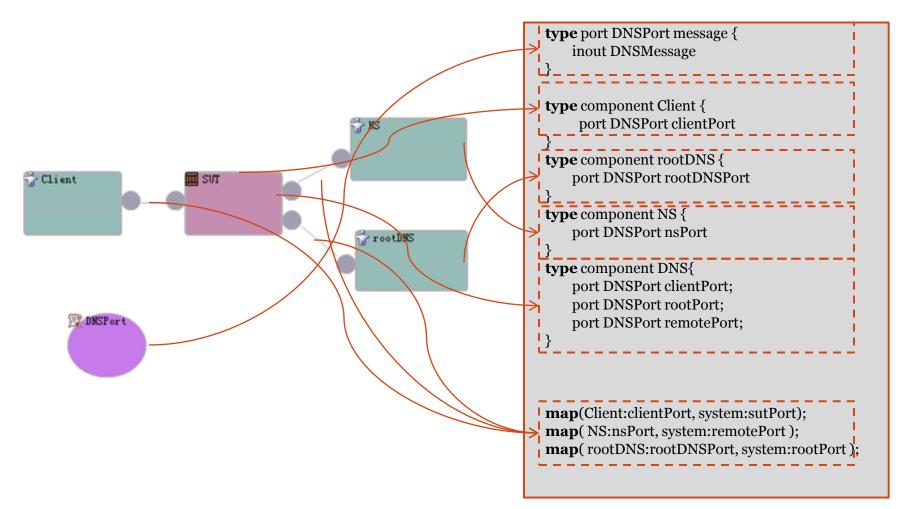


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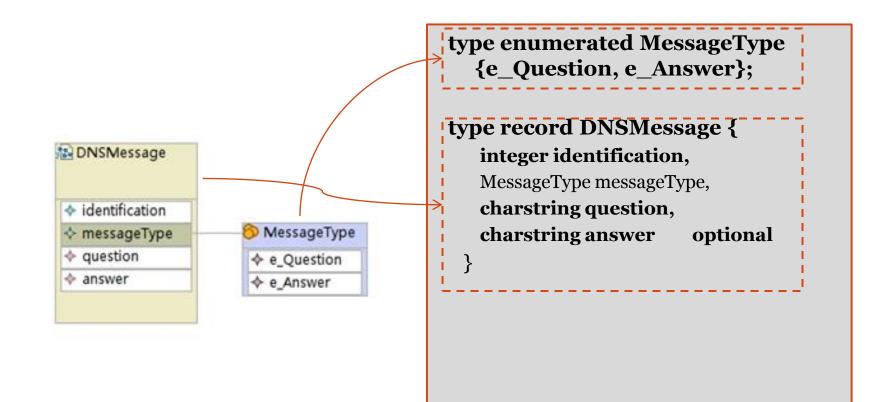


TTCN-3 Code Generation(3)





TTCN-3 Code Generation(4)





Conclusion

- propose a model driven testing approach
- test system model is defined to describe the test system in three aspects: test data, test configure and test behavior
- a set of tools are developed to visualize the test system model in the period of test design
- these tools can be used to model the static and dynamic characteristics of test system
- automatic generation of executable TTCN-3 from this test system model

Thank you

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