



Development of SDL-Based Software for an Embedded System – Practical Experiences

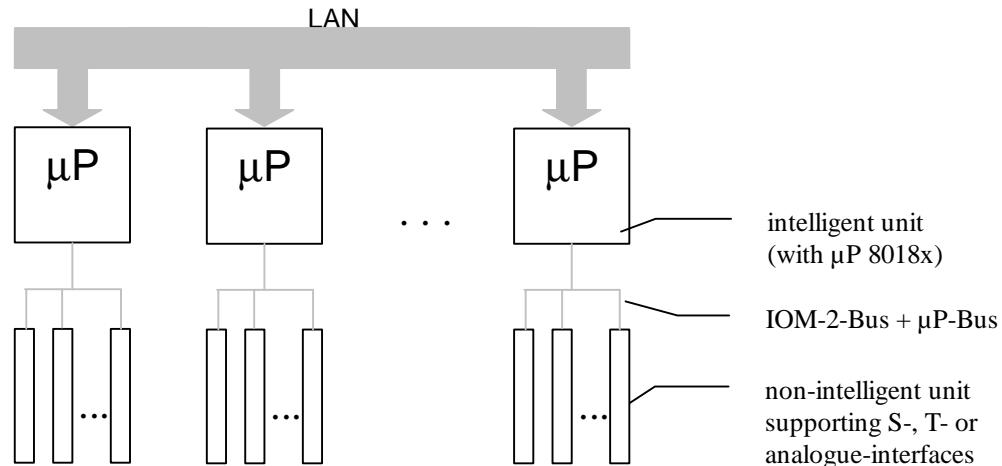
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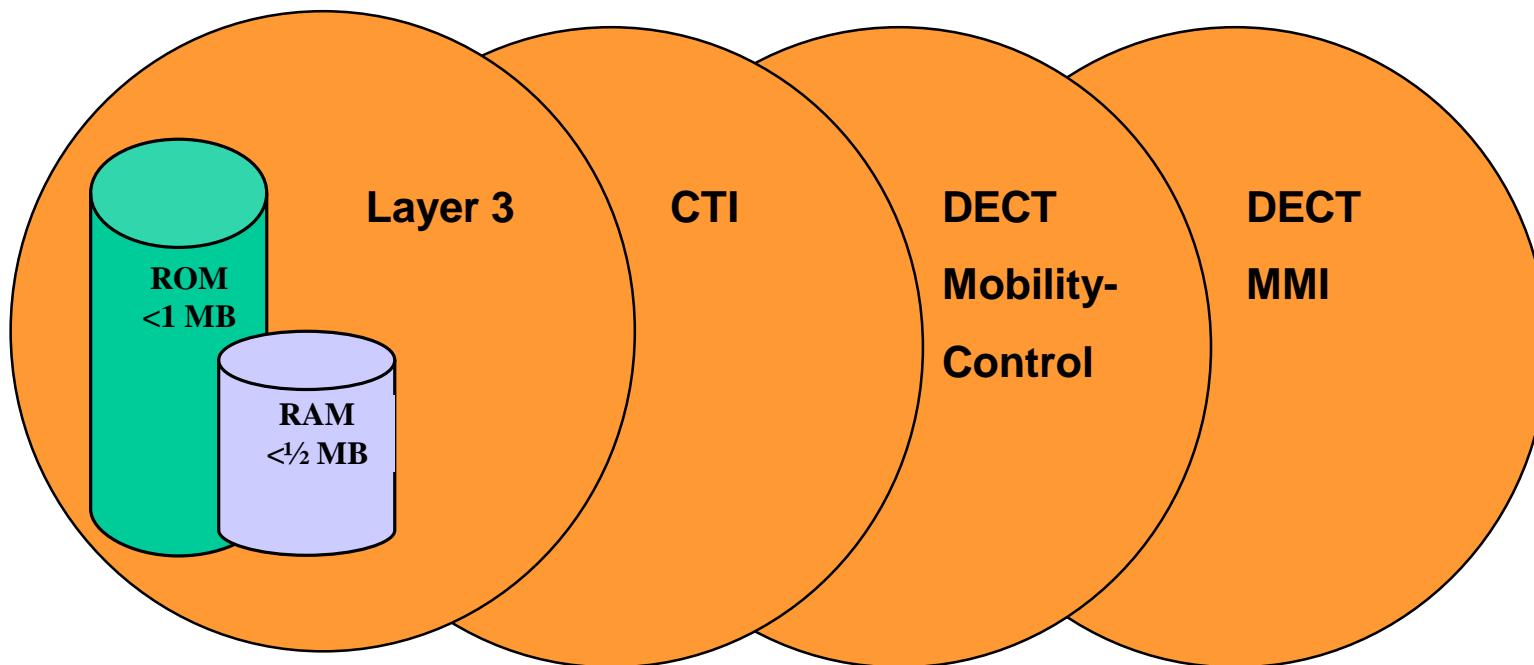
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- **Target platform and its restrictions**
- **starting with SDL-88 (in-house developed tool)**
- **development process and quality ensurance using SDL & MSC**
- **host test and target feedback**
- **target testing with Telelogic's Microtester**
- **Development experiences using SDL**
- **Conclusion**

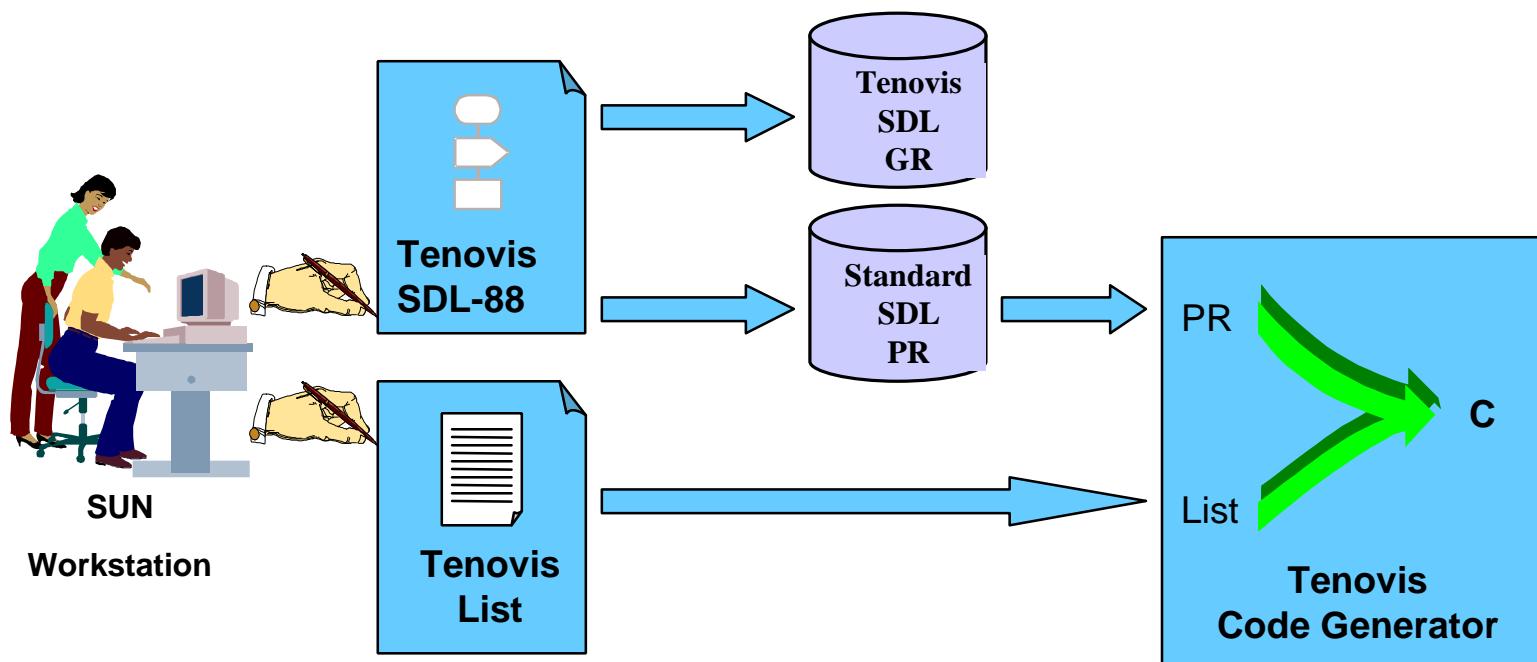
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SDL-Tasks and Target Restrictions



In-house developed SDL-88 tool



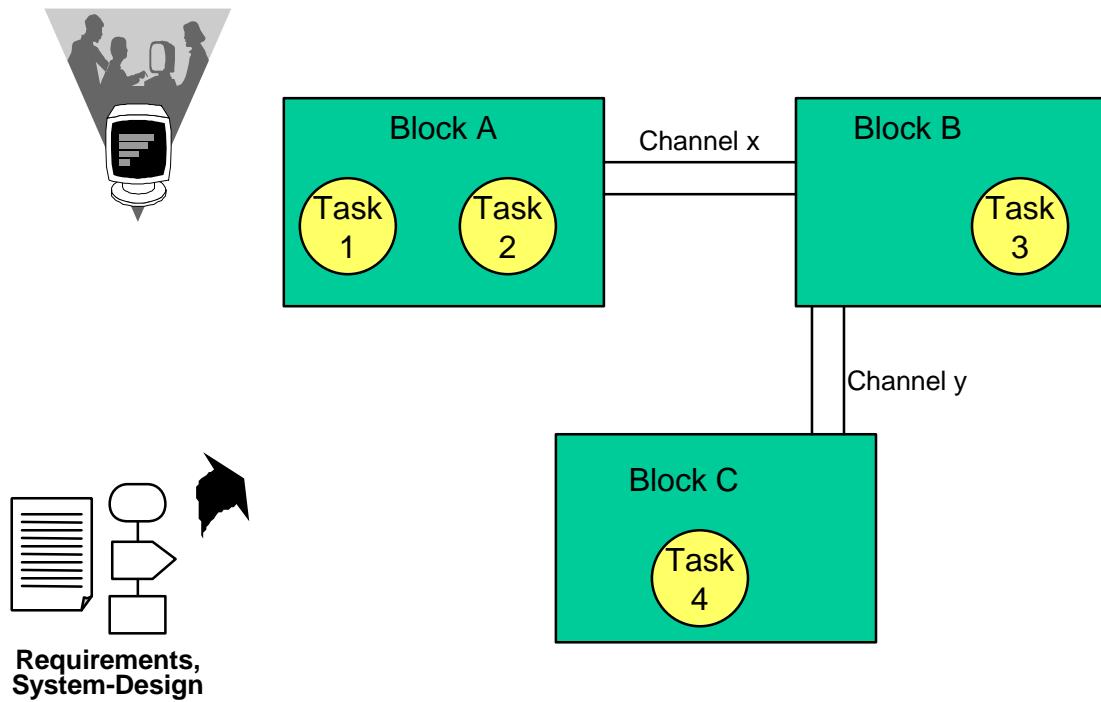
Drawbacks of our in-house SDL tool

- inter-process communication not supported
- process instantiation not supported
- insufficient tool chain

=> 1997: turn to Telelogic's SDT

development process and quality ensurance using SDL & MSC

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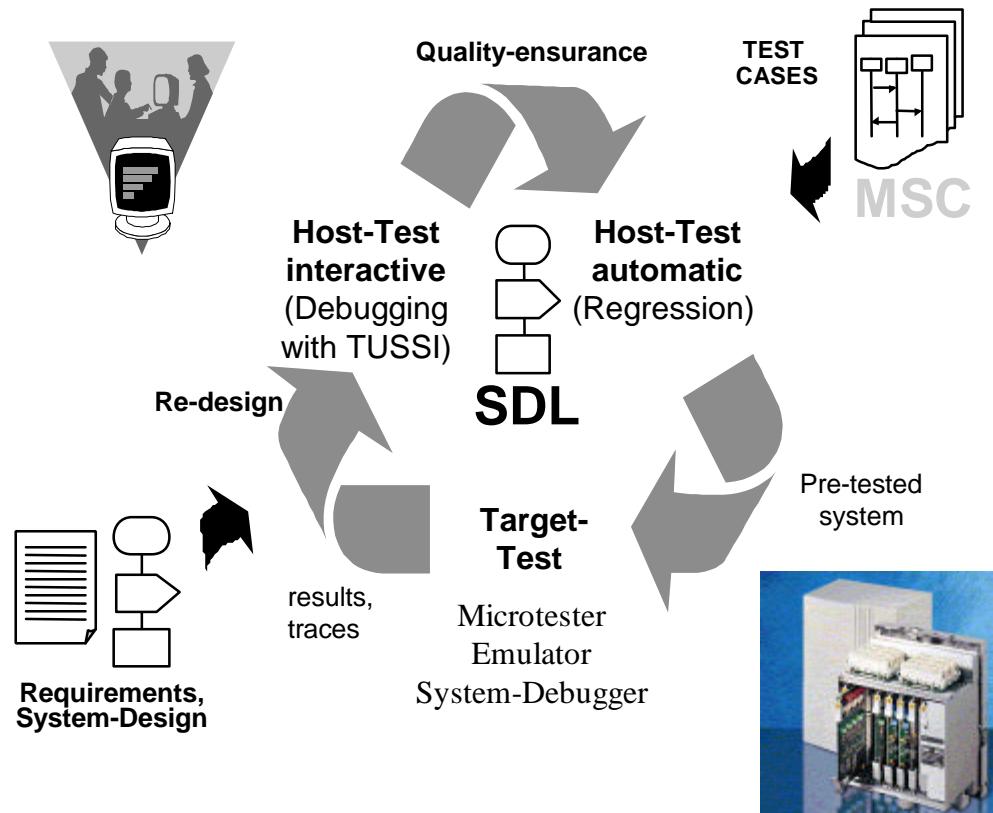
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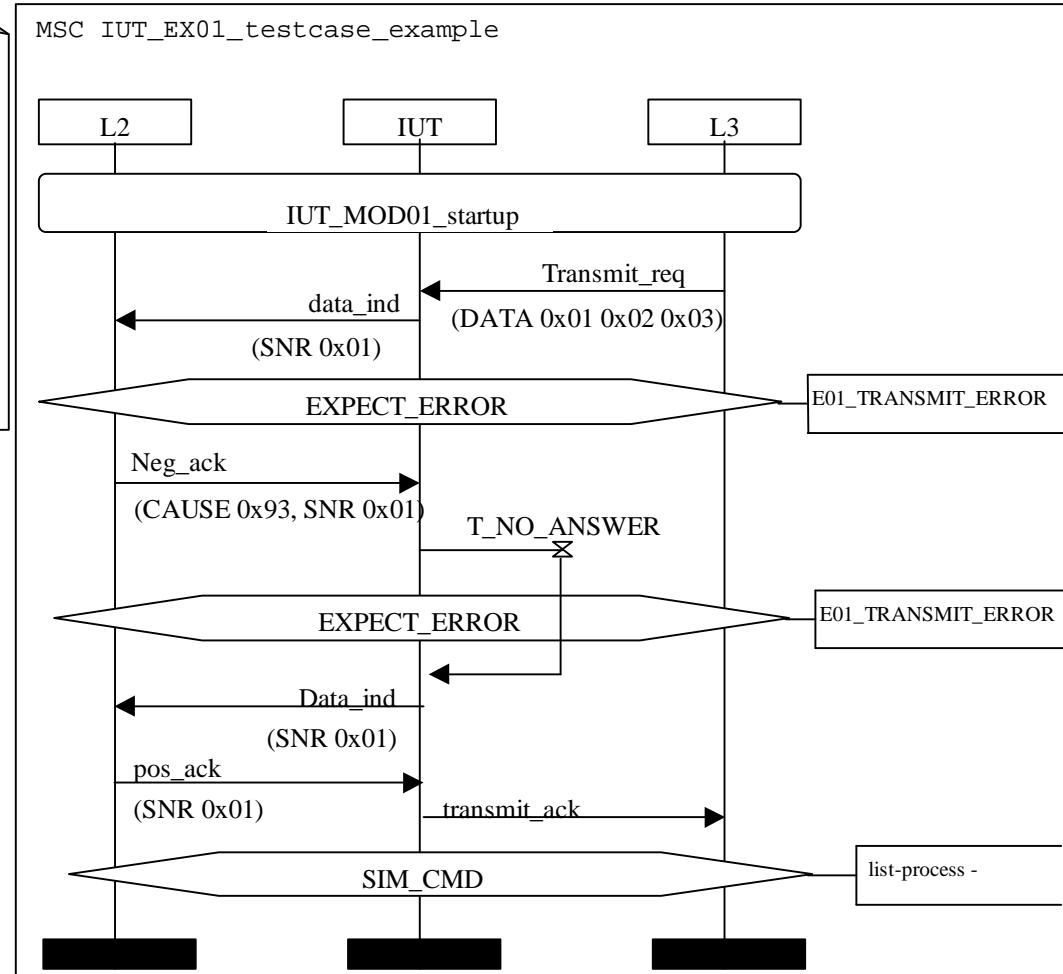
Specifying Test-Cases by Using MSC

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Test-case      :
IUT_EX01_testcase_example
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In this example the syntax and
semantics of the test-case designed
by MSC are demonstrated.

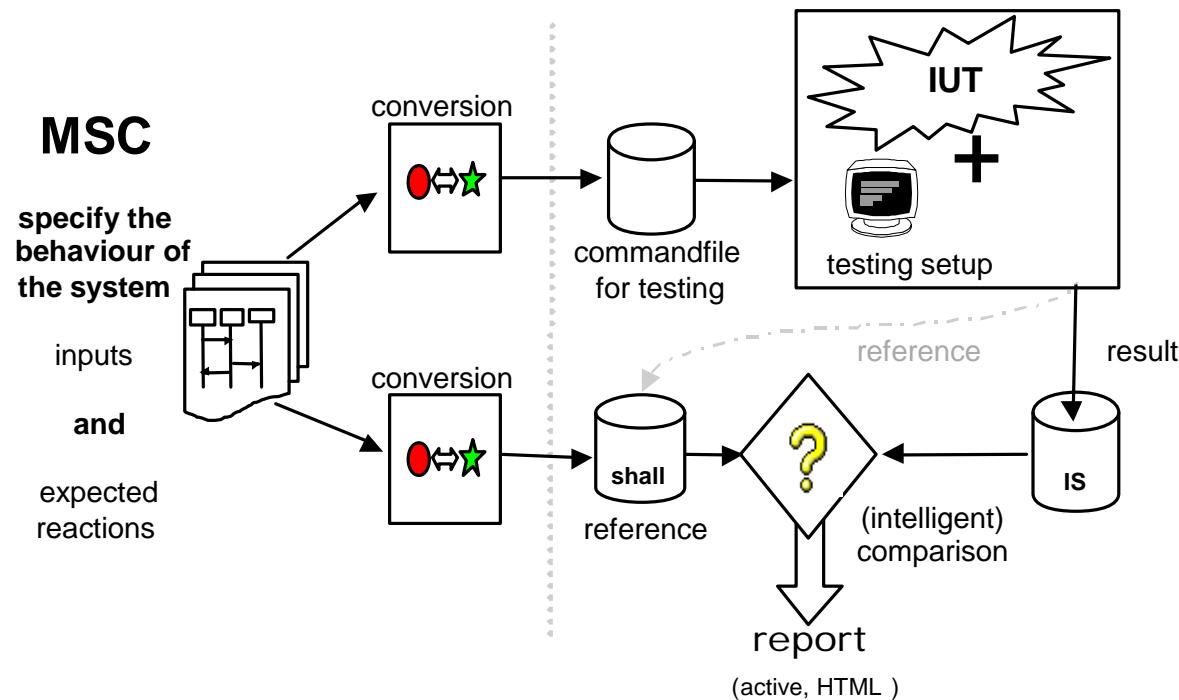
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Test Report

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Netscape: Testergebnisse für Projekt cti

File Edit View Go Communicator Help

Back Forward Reload Home Search Netscape Print Security Stop

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Ergebnisse des Testlaufs vom 21.03.00 (06:28)

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Eintrag	Beschreibung
NOT OK	Black-Box-Verhalten entspricht NICHT der Referenz
Warning	Black-Box-Verhalten OK, aber: Fehlereinträge gefunden
Warning	Black-Box-Verhalten OK, aber: Signal wurde verworfen
OK	Black-Box-Verhalten entspricht der Referenz
---	Auswertungsfehler: Toolfehler, Quelle oder Referenz fehlt o.ä ...

Um die Beschreibung der Testfälle zu sehen: > Klick< auf den Namen
Um die Quelle (MPR) des Testfalls zu sehen: > Klick< auf (● Allgemein) (● HW-spezifisch)
Um das Simulator-log des Testfalls zu sehen: > Klick< auf (●)
Um das Input-file (CMD) des Testfalls zu sehen: > Klick< auf (●)

HINWEIS: Die interaktiven Features dieses Reports können derzeit nur unter **UNIX-NETSCAPE** genutzt werden !!!

Testfall	Status	Verantw.	Vertretung
001 CTI_ACSE01_ok	OK	Bartels	R.Endress
002 CTI_ACSE02_fkt_ok	OK	Bartels	R.Endress
032 CTI_BCA12_Daten_senden_u_empfangen	OK	Horst Kozlik	S.Karg
033 CTI_BCA13_Daten_empf_m_Error	WARNING	Horst Kozlik	S.Karg
038 CTI_CFCA01	OK	Bartels	R.Endress
039 CTI_CFCA02_ok	OK	Kozlik	Bartels
040 CTI_CFCA03_timeout	OK	Bartels	R.Endress
041 CTI_CFCA04_invalid_connid	OK	Bartels	R.Endress
042 CTI_CHANGEMON01_keine_Filter_ok	OK	Bartels	R.Endress
043 CTI_CHANGEMON02_filter_ok	*** NOT OK ***	Bartels	R.Endress
044 CTI_CHANGEMON03_alle_Filter_ok	*** NOT OK ***	Bartels	R.Endress
045 CTI_CHANGEMON04_timeout	OK	Bartels	R.Endress
070 CTI_DIVERT10_invalid_callid	OK	Bartels	R.Endress
071 CTI_DIVERT11_invalid_devid	NO REFERENCE	Bartels	R.Endress

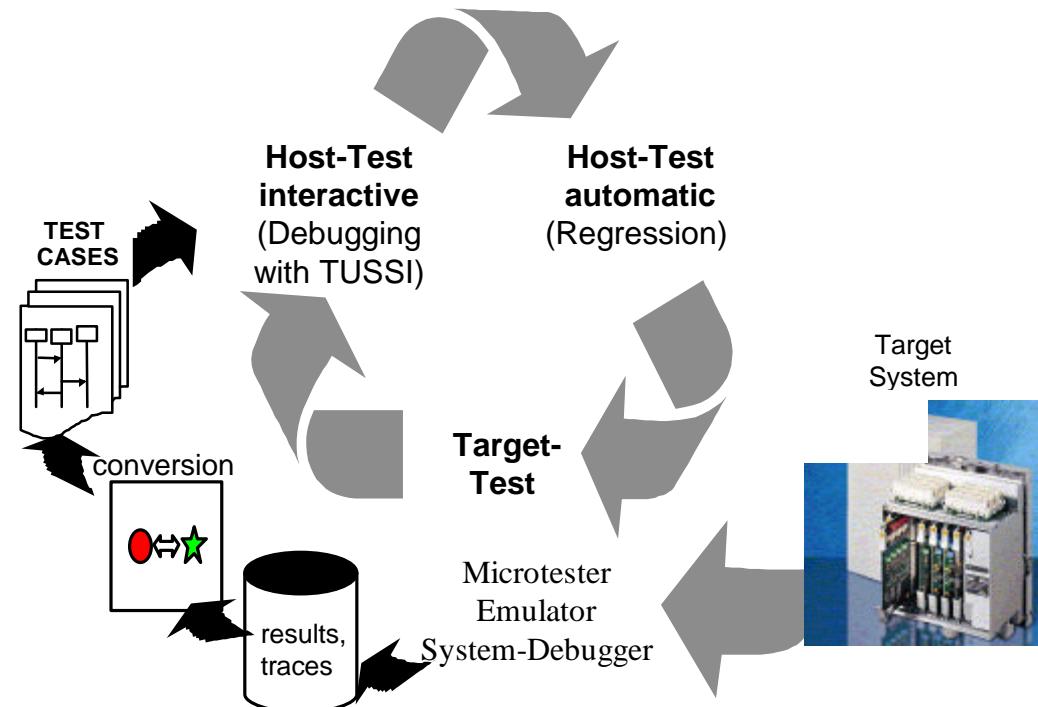
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Feedback from Target Testing

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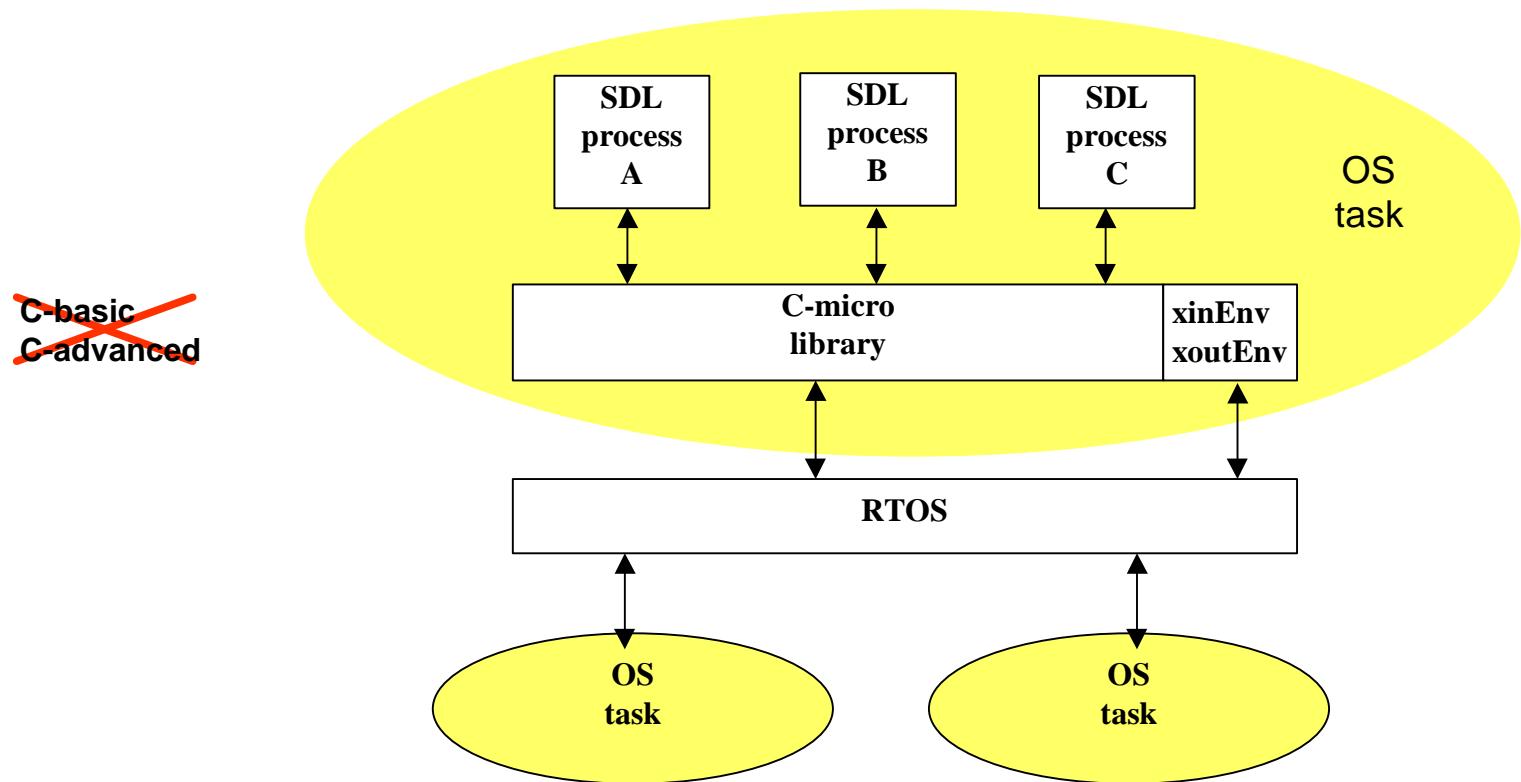


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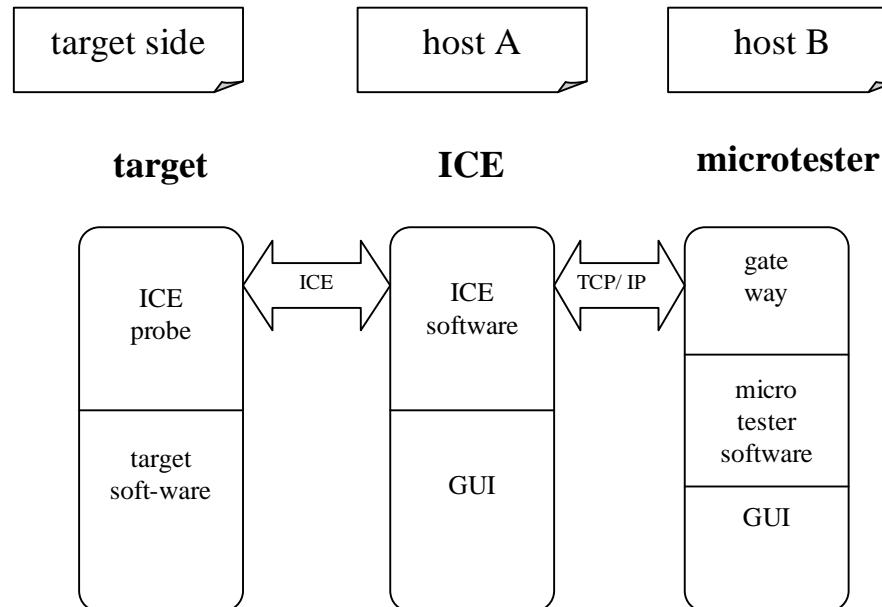
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“Light integration” of SDL-Systems into the RTOS

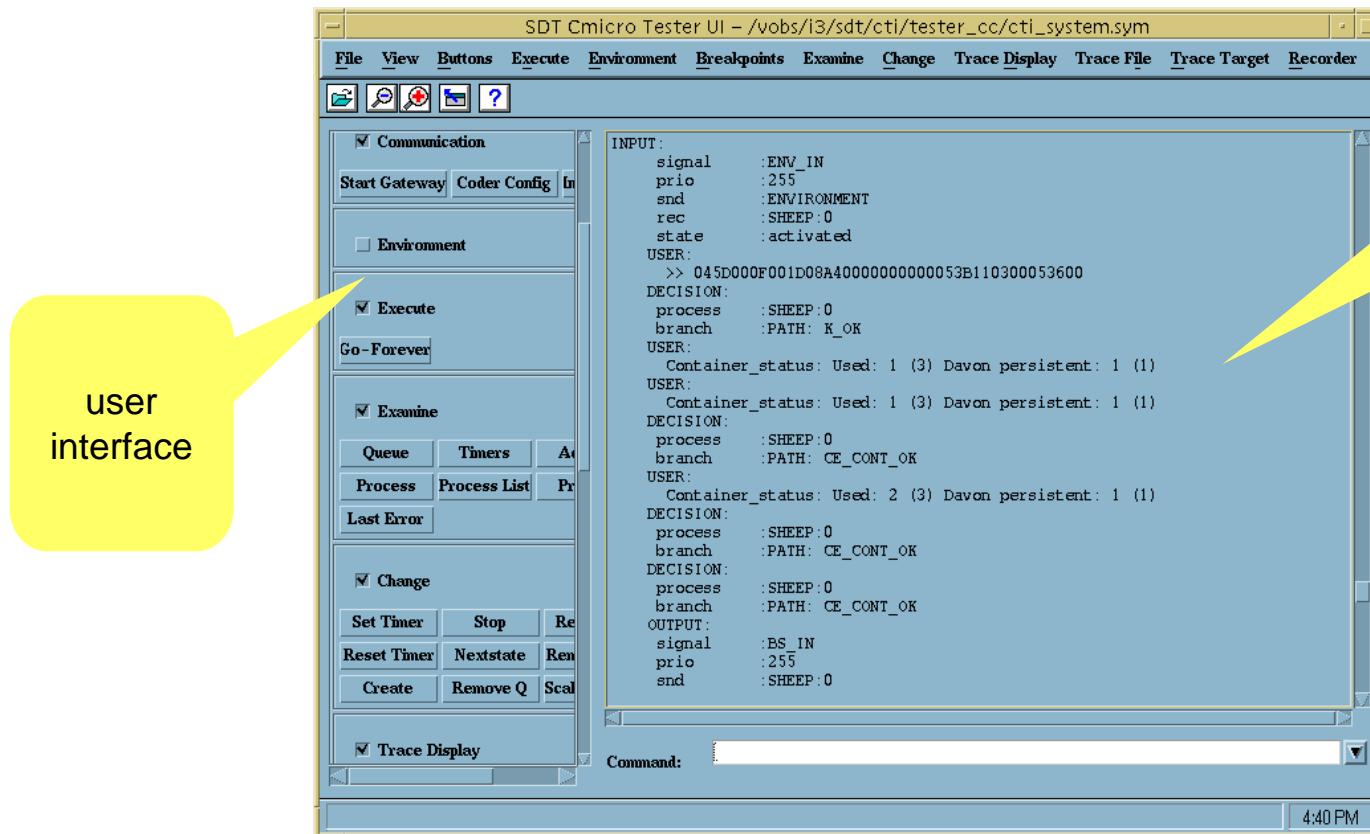


Distribution of the microtester parts

"Lauterbach - Gateway" as communication link between the host and target:
•reducing development efforts
• no extra communication mechanism.
•no additional interface hardware on the PBX-boards.



GUI of the microtester (Screenshot)



Advantages:

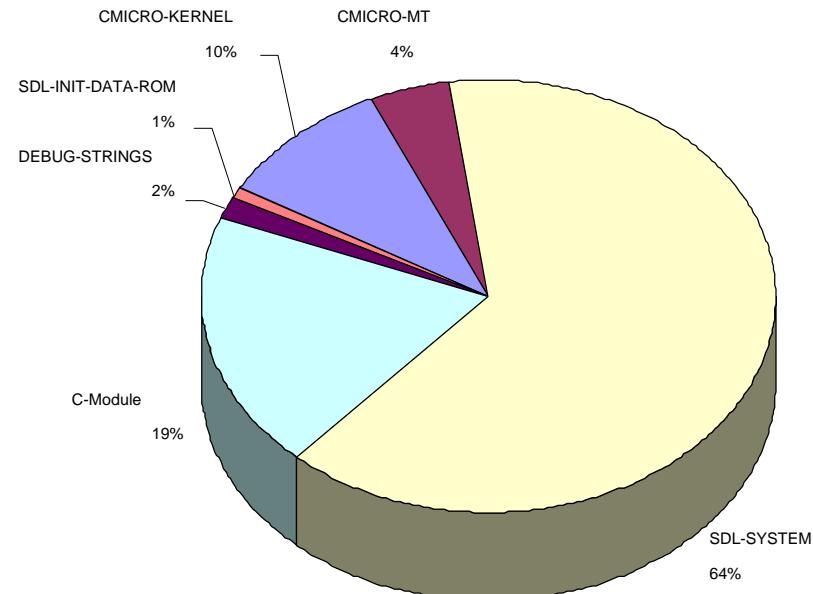
- microtester offers features for debugging usually only available in a development environment
 - setting breakpoints at SDL-level
 - drawing MSC-diagrams out of the target.

Restrictions due to our target situation

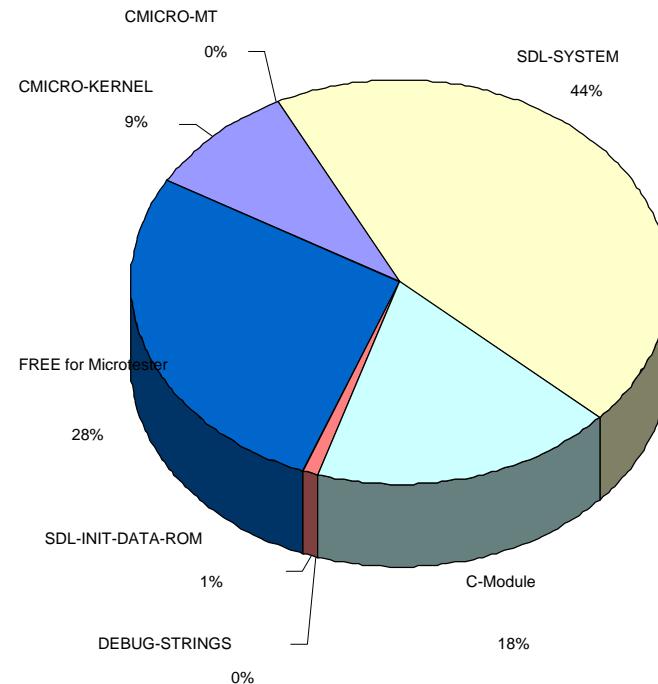
- graphical SDL trace causes a memory overflow.
- record and play mode cannot be used
 - ⇒ because of the multiprocessor system
 - ⇒ because not all tasks are designed with SDT
- recordings are always incomplete as not all events are visible to the microtester.
- different code generators and kernels on the host and target
- different scheduling between C-micro on the target and the C-basic on the host
 - ⇒ original task-loop of the C-micro-kernel has to be modified
- different data structures on host (SUN-Sparc) and target (Intel)
 - ⇒ different byte alignment and byte order leads to message coding (container)
- internal data structures of C-micro code and the C-basic code are completely different
 - ⇒ message coding & conditional compiling
- increased target software with microtester
 - ⇒ different mapping may have effects on debugging

ROM

ROM SDL with the microtester



ROM SDL without microtester



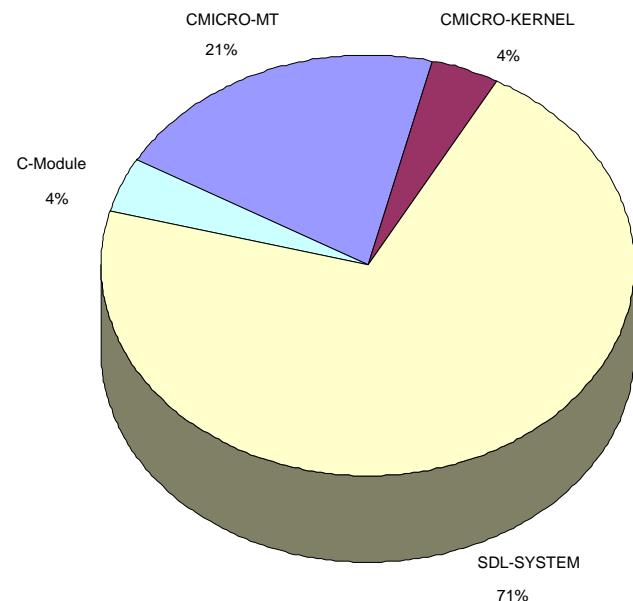
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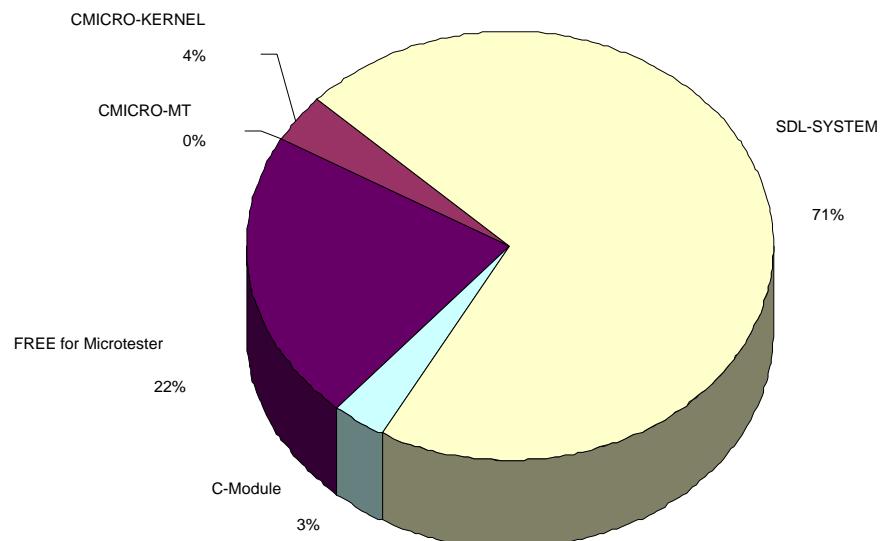
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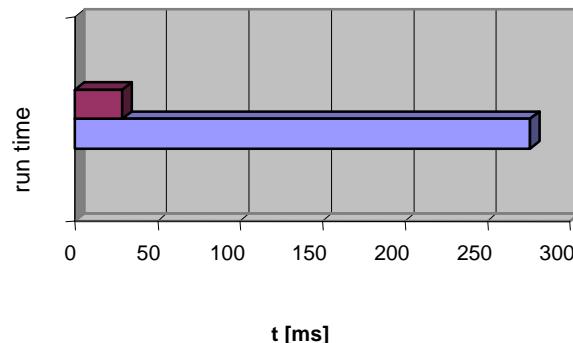
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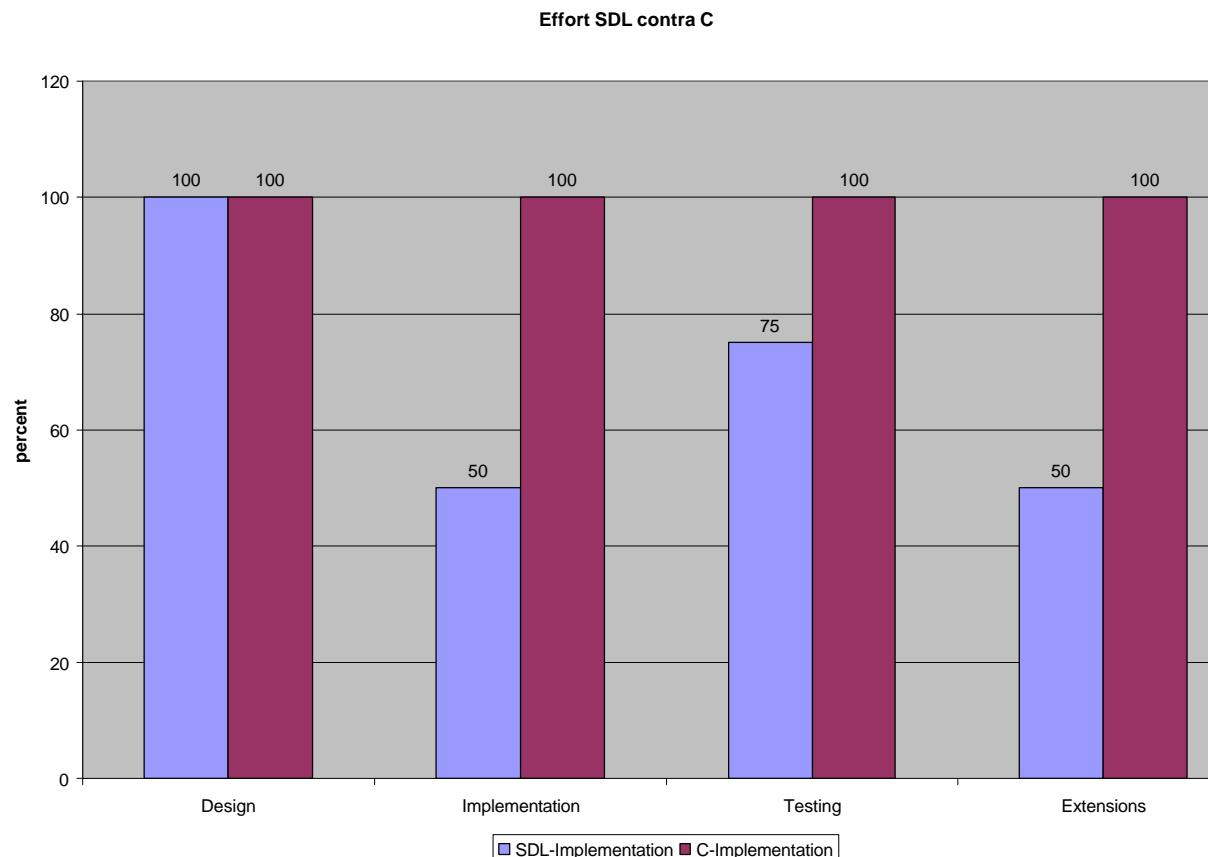
Influence of the microtester on run time



run time	
without microtester	28,810
with microtester (best case)	275,980

Development effort: SDL / C

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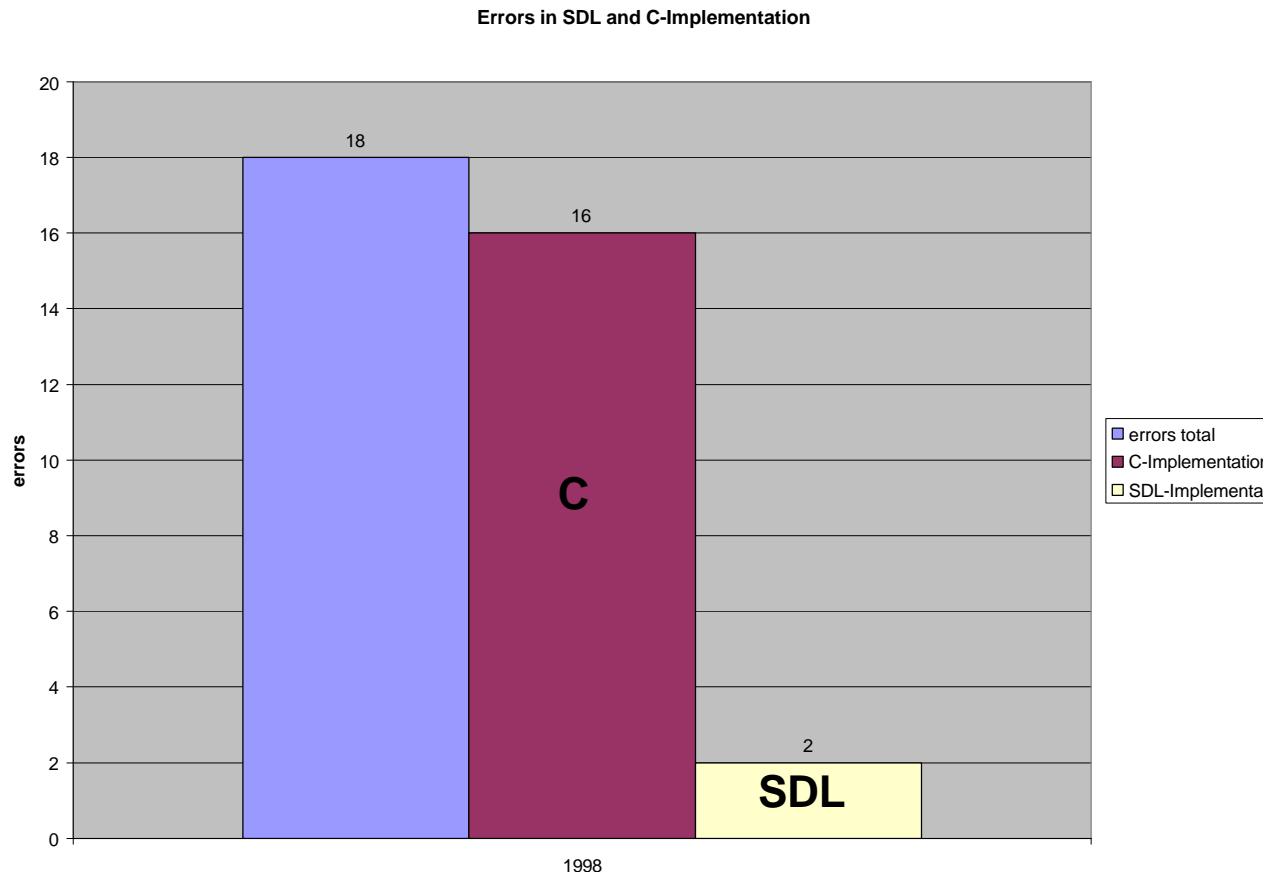
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Errors in SDL and C Implementations

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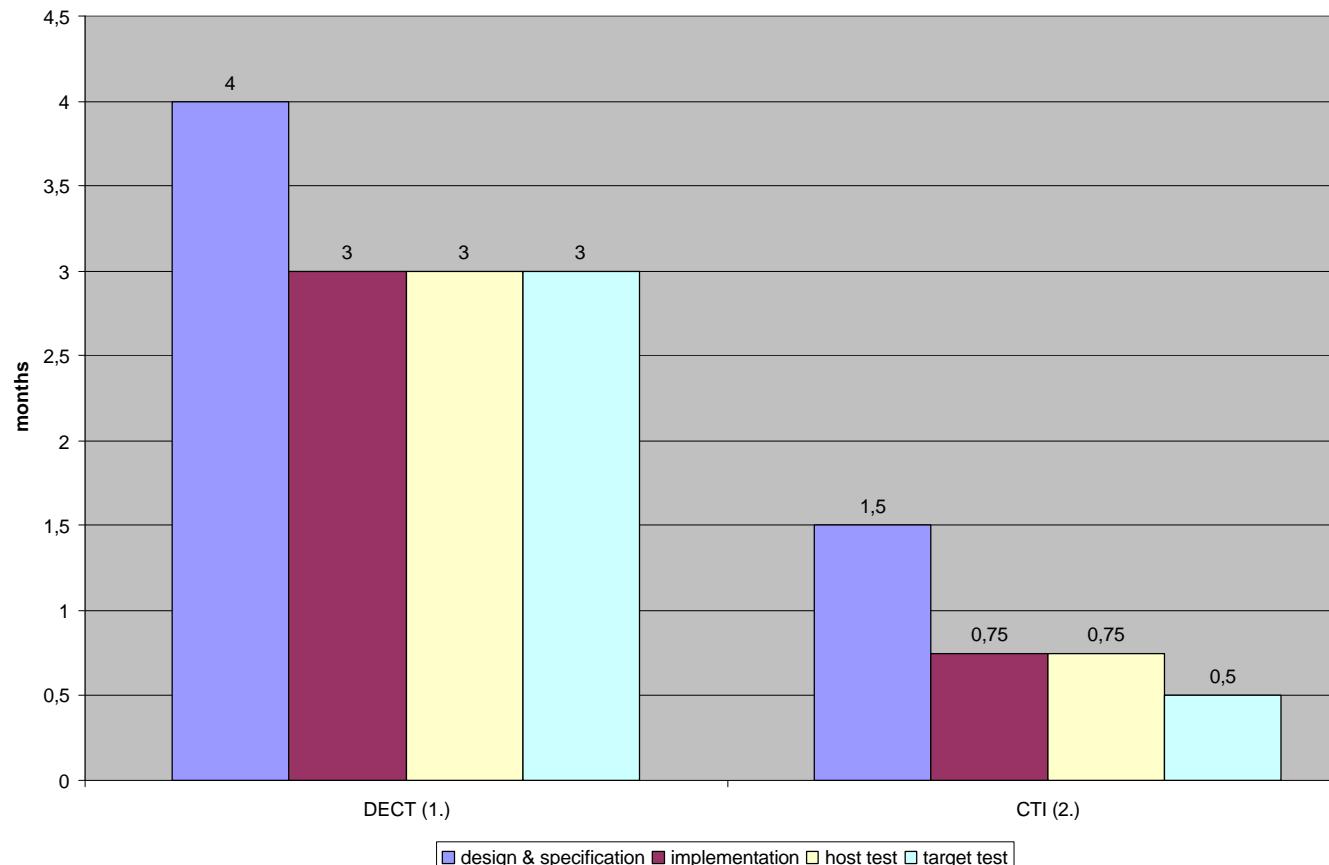
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Development Speed with SDT

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Development Speed, 1st and 2nd project with SDT



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++ Use SDL for protocol handling

++ Use SDL for state machines

-- Don't use SDL for software parts with loops

-- Don't use SDL for small data bases

- **SDT tool chain + privat adaptations = a highly capable environment**
- **highly paralleled software development**
- **integration and regression testing throughout nearly the whole process**
- **automated documentation, testing and report generation**
- **measurable increase in development speed and product quality**

Thank you
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