

Comparing UML-RT and xtUML

Outline

Assuming 2016 state-of-the-art and planning

- Methodology
- Notation
- Workflow
- Tool Architecture
- Convergence Possibilities
- Roadmap

Methodology

UML-RT (ROOM)	xtUML (Shlaer-Mellor)
elaborative	translative
functional decomposition	domain based
encapsulation	relational
executable	executable
abstract	more abstract
architecture recognized	architecture domain (MC)
fixed run-time	run-time rules

Notation

UML-RT	xtUML
Capsule	Component
Protocol	Interface
C++ Class	Class
	Association
Harel State Chart	State Machine
C++	Action Language

Workflow

UML-RT

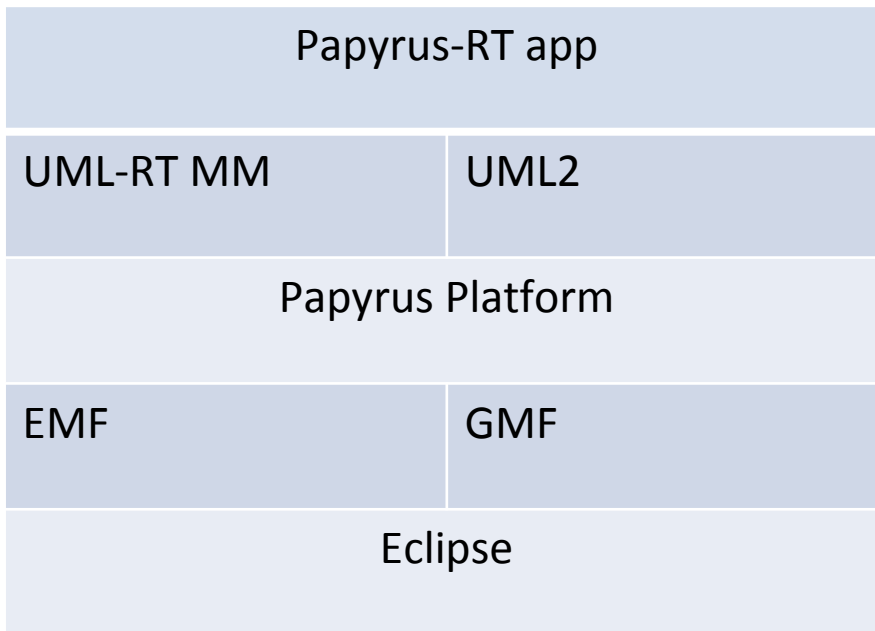
- 1) top capsule
- 2) decomposition
- 3) messaging/protocol
- 4) state behavior
- 5) progressive refinement
- 6) activities

xtUML

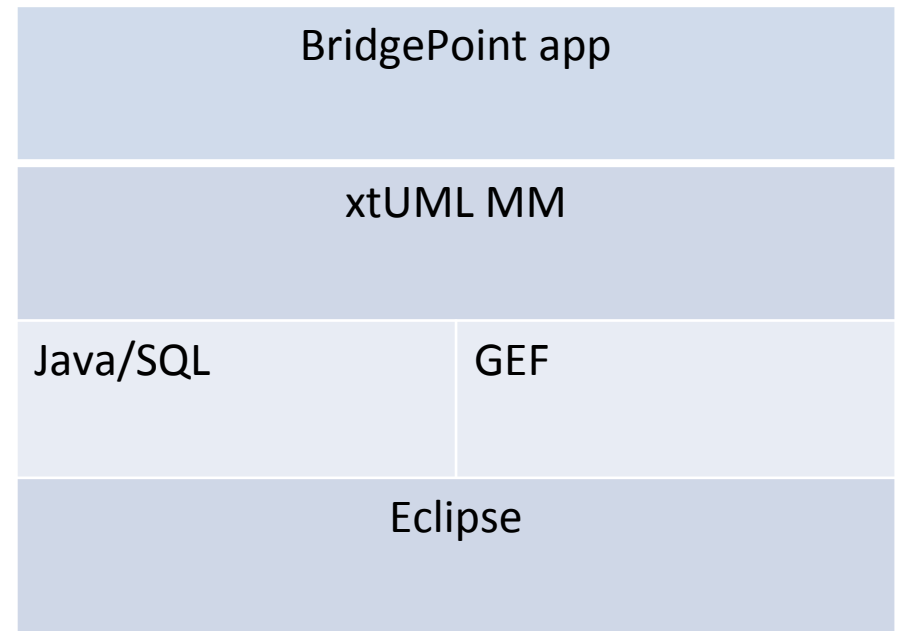
- 1) domain separation
- 2) classes, associations and attributes
- 3) state behavior
- 4) activities
- 5) component deployment

Tool Architecture

UML-RT

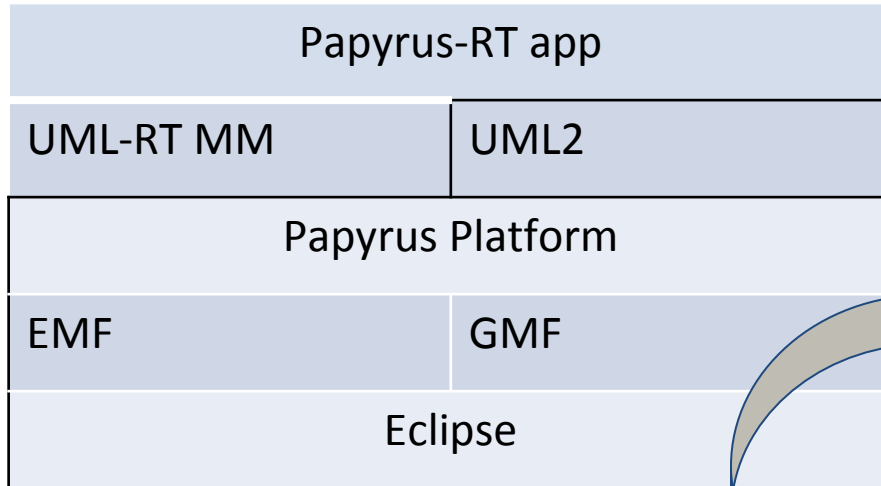


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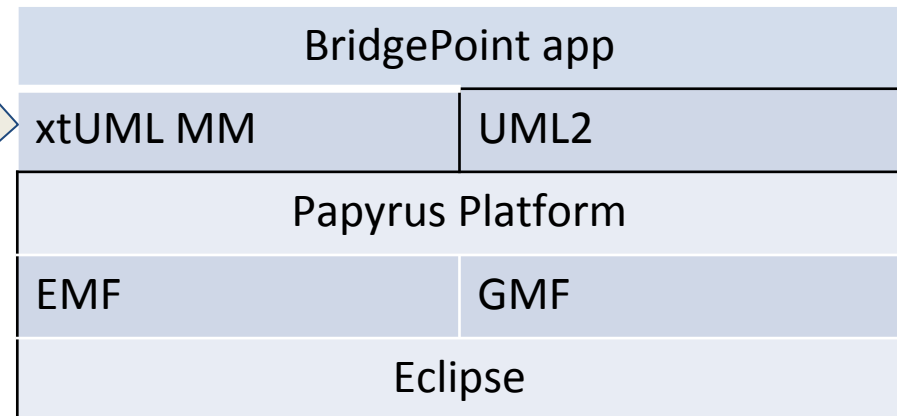
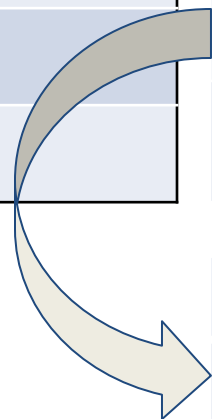
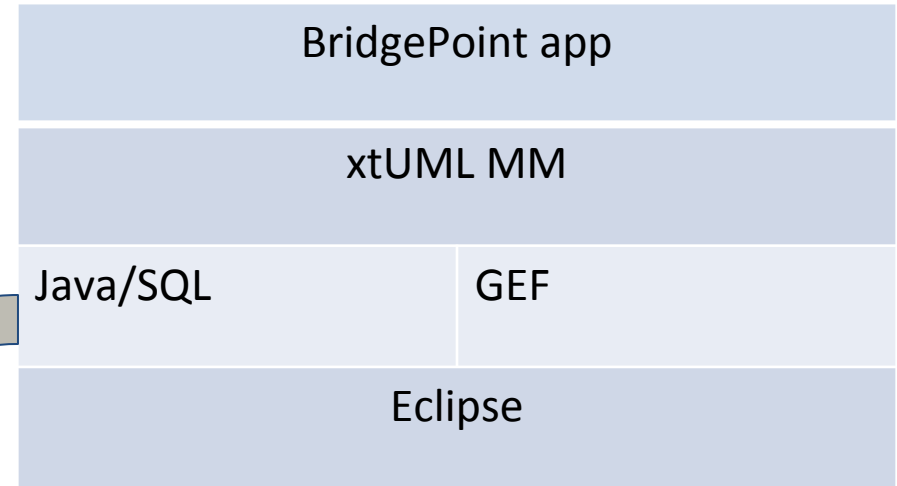


Tool Architecture

UML-RT



xtUML



Possibilities for Convergence

- merged methodology
- combined notation
- integrated workflow
- single tool
- common tool architecture

Possibilities for Convergence

- ~~merged methodology~~
 - “major differences” in data modeling, control and actions
- ~~combined notation~~
 - complex, confusing and overlaps with different meanings
- ~~integrated workflow~~
 - simpler is better and WoW are not the same
- ~~single tool~~
 - single architecture but unique dialect
- **common tool architecture**

Roadmap

1. Package BridgePoint as Papyrus-xtUML now.
 - alongside Papyrus-RT, Papyrus-SysML, etc.
2. Converge to common tool architecture.
 - EMF, SQL, UML2, Papyrus Platform
3. Consider additional commonality as time progresses.
4. Establish clean, hybrid interoperability of UML-RT and xtUML systems.