Connector Queuer

Component Design Document

1 Description

This is a generic component that can be used to queue (as in recv_async) the call to an input connector. The component allows a queue to be added in front of the a synchronous connector in any component. Adding a queue to a component not designed with thread-safety in mind can serve as a multi-tasking safe synchronization point for multiple callers. When the T_Recv_Async connector is called, the data is queued. Based on the priority of this component, the data will be safely dequeued in the future and the T_Send connector will be called. The queue is implemented using the standard Adamant queue, and thus calls are serviced in FIFO order. The queue protection mechanism effectively makes all downstream connector calls of this component thread-safe. The advantage of this component is that deploying it appropriately in an assembly can provide thread-safety and priority-tuned FIFO execution to components which are not designed to be thread-safe in and of themselves.

2 Requirements

No requirements have been specified for this component.

3 Design

3.1 At a Glance

Below is a list of useful parameters and statistics that give a quick look into the makeup of the component.

- Execution passive
- Number of Connectors 4
- Number of Invokee Connectors 1
- Number of Invoker Connectors 3
- Number of Generic Connectors None
- Number of Generic Types 2
- Number of Unconstrained Arrayed Connectors None
- Number of Commands None
- Number of Parameters None
- Number of Events 1
- Number of Faults None
- Number of Data Products None
- Number of Data Dependencies None
- Number of Packets None

3.2 Diagram

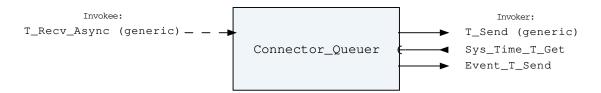


Figure 1: Connector Queuer component diagram.

3.3 Connectors

Below are tables listing the component's connectors.

3.3.1 Invokee Connectors

The following is a list of the component's *invokee* connectors:

Table 1: Connector Queuer Invokee Connectors

Name	Kind	Type	${f Return_Type}$	Count
T_Recv_Async	recv_async	T (generic)	-	1

Connector Descriptions:

• T_Recv_Async - The generic invokee connector.

3.3.2 Internal Queue

This component contains an internal first-in-first-out (FIFO) queue to handle asynchronous messages. This queue is sized at initialization as a configurable number of bytes. Determining the size of the component queue can be difficult. The following table lists the connectors that will put asynchronous messages onto the queue, and the maximum sizes of each of those messages on the queue. Note that each message put onto the queue also incurs an overhead on the queue of 5 additional bytes, which is included in the max message size below:

Table 2: Connector Queuer Asynchronous Connectors

Name	Type	Max Size (bytes)
T_Recv_Async	T (generic)	Unconstrained

If you are unsure how to size the queue of this component, it is recommended that you make the queue size a multiple of the largest size found above.

3.3.3 Invoker Connectors

The following is a list of the component's *invoker* connectors:

Table 3: Connector Queuer Invoker Connectors

Name	Kind	Type	Return_Type	Count
T_Send	send	T (generic)	-	1
Sys_Time_T_Get	get	-	Sys_Time.T	1
Event_T_Send	send	Event.T	-	1

Connector Descriptions:

- T_Send The generic invoker connector. Calls originating from this connector are serviced from the component's queue and thus will be executed in FIFO order in a thread-safe, atomic manner.
- Sys_Time_T_Get The system time is retrieved via this connector.
- Event_T_Send Events are sent out of this connector.

3.4 Interrupts

This component contains no interrupts.

3.5 Initialization

Below are details on how the component should be initialized in an assembly.

3.5.1 Generic Component Instantiation

The is generic component in that it can be instantiated to protect a connector of any type at compile time. This component contains generic formal types. These generic formal types must be instantiated with a valid actual type prior to component initialization. This is done by specifying types for the following generic formal parameters:

Table 4: Connector Queuer Generic Formal Types

Name	Formal Type Definition		
T	type T is private;		
Serialized_Length	with function Serialized_Length (Src : in T;		
	Num_Bytes_Serialized : out Natural) return		
	Serializer_Types.Serialization_Status;		

Generic Formal Type Descriptions:

- T The generic type of data passed in and out of the component.
- **Serialized_Length** A method that returns the serialized length of an item of type T. This is useful for serializing variable length packed types onto the queue.

3.5.2 Component Instantiation

This component contains no instantiation parameters in its discriminant.

3.5.3 Component Base Initialization

This component achieves base class initialization using the init_Base subprogram. This subprogram requires the following parameters:

Table 5: Connector Queuer Base Initialization Parameters

Name	Type
Queue_Size	Natural

Parameter Descriptions:

• Queue_Size - The number of bytes that can be stored in the component's internal queue.

3.5.4 Component Set ID Bases

This component contains commands, events, packets, faults, or data products that require a base identifier to be set at initialization. The set_Id_Bases procedure must be called with the following parameters:

Table 6: Connector Queuer Set Id Bases Parameters

Name	Type
Event_Id_Base	<pre>Event_Types.Event_Id_Base</pre>

Parameter Descriptions:

• Event_Id_Base - The value at which the component's event identifiers begin.

3.5.5 Component Map Data Dependencies

This component contains no data dependencies.

3.5.6 Component Implementation Initialization

This component contains no implementation class initialization, meaning there is no init subprogram for this component.

3.6 Commands

The Connector Queuer component has no commands.

3.7 Parameters

The Connector Queuer component has no parameters.

3.8 Events

Below is a list of the events for the Connector Queuer component.

Table 7: Connector Queuer Events

Local ID	Event Name	Parameter Type
0	Dropped_Message	_

Event Descriptions:

 \bullet ${\tt Dropped_Message}$ - The queue overflowed and the incoming data was dropped.

3.9 Data Products

The Connector Queuer component has no data products.

3.10 Packets

The Connector Queuer component has no packets.

4 Unit Tests

The following section describes the unit test suites written to test the component.

4.1 Connector Queuer Tests Test Suite

This is a unit test suite for the Connector Queuer.

Test Descriptions:

- **Test_Queued_Call** This unit test invokes the async connector and makes sure the arguments are passed through asynchronously, as expected.
- **Test_Full_Queue** This unit test fills the queue and makes sure that dropped messages are reported.

5 Appendix

5.1 Preamble

This component contains no preamble code.

5.2 Packed Types

The following section outlines any complex data types used in the component in alphabetical order. This includes packed records and packed arrays that might be used as connector types, command arguments, event parameters, etc..

Event.T:

Generic event packet for holding arbitrary events

Table 8: Event Packed Record: 344 bits (maximum)

Name	Type	Range	Size (Bits)	Start Bit	End Bit	Variable Length
Header	Event_Header.T	-	88	0	87	_
Param_Buffer	Event_Types.	-	256	88	343	Header.Param_
	Parameter_					Buffer_Length
	Buffer_Type					

Field Descriptions:

- Header The event header
- Param_Buffer A buffer that contains the event parameters

Event Header.T:

Generic event packet for holding arbitrary events

Table 9: Event Header Packed Record: 88 bits

Name	Туре	Range	Size (Bits)	Start Bit	End Bit
Time	Sys_Time.T	-	64	0	63
Id	Event_Types.Event_ Id	0 to 65535	16	64	79
Param_Buffer_Length	Event_Types. Parameter_Buffer_ Length_Type	0 to 32	8	80	87

Field Descriptions:

- **Time** The timestamp for the event.
- ullet Id The event identifier
- Param_Buffer_Length The number of bytes used in the param buffer

Sys Time.T:

A record which holds a time stamp using GPS format including seconds and subseconds since epoch (1-5-1980 to 1-6-1980 midnight).

Table 10: Sys_Time Packed Record : 64 bits

Name	Type	Range		Start Bit	End Bit
Seconds	Interfaces.	0 to 4294967295	32	0	31
	Unsigned_32				
Subseconds	Interfaces.	0 to 4294967295	32	32	63
	Unsigned_32				

Field Descriptions:

- Seconds The number of seconds elapsed since epoch.
- Subseconds The number of $1/(2^32)$ sub-seconds.

5.3 Enumerations

No enumerations found in component.