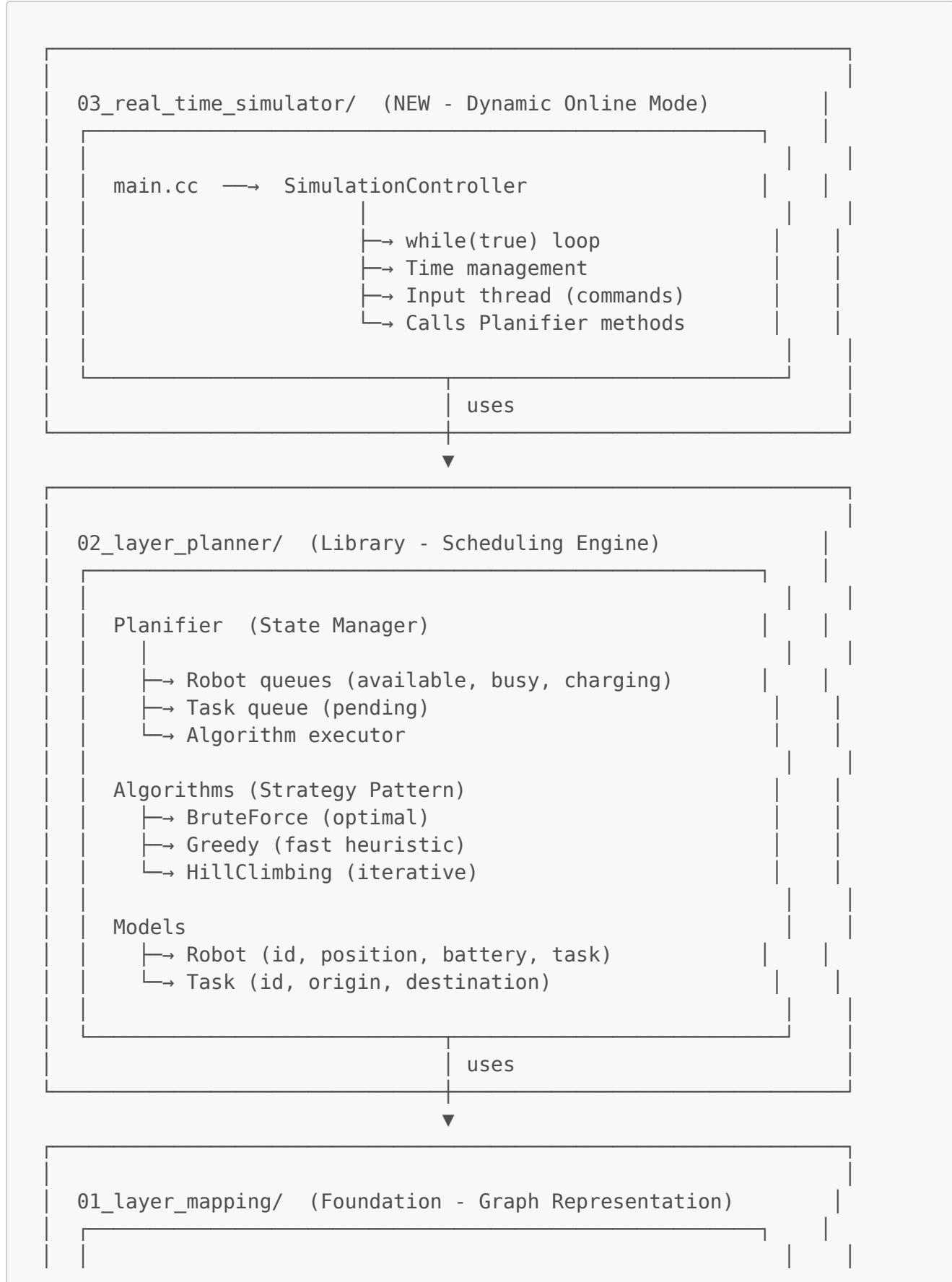


System Architecture Overview

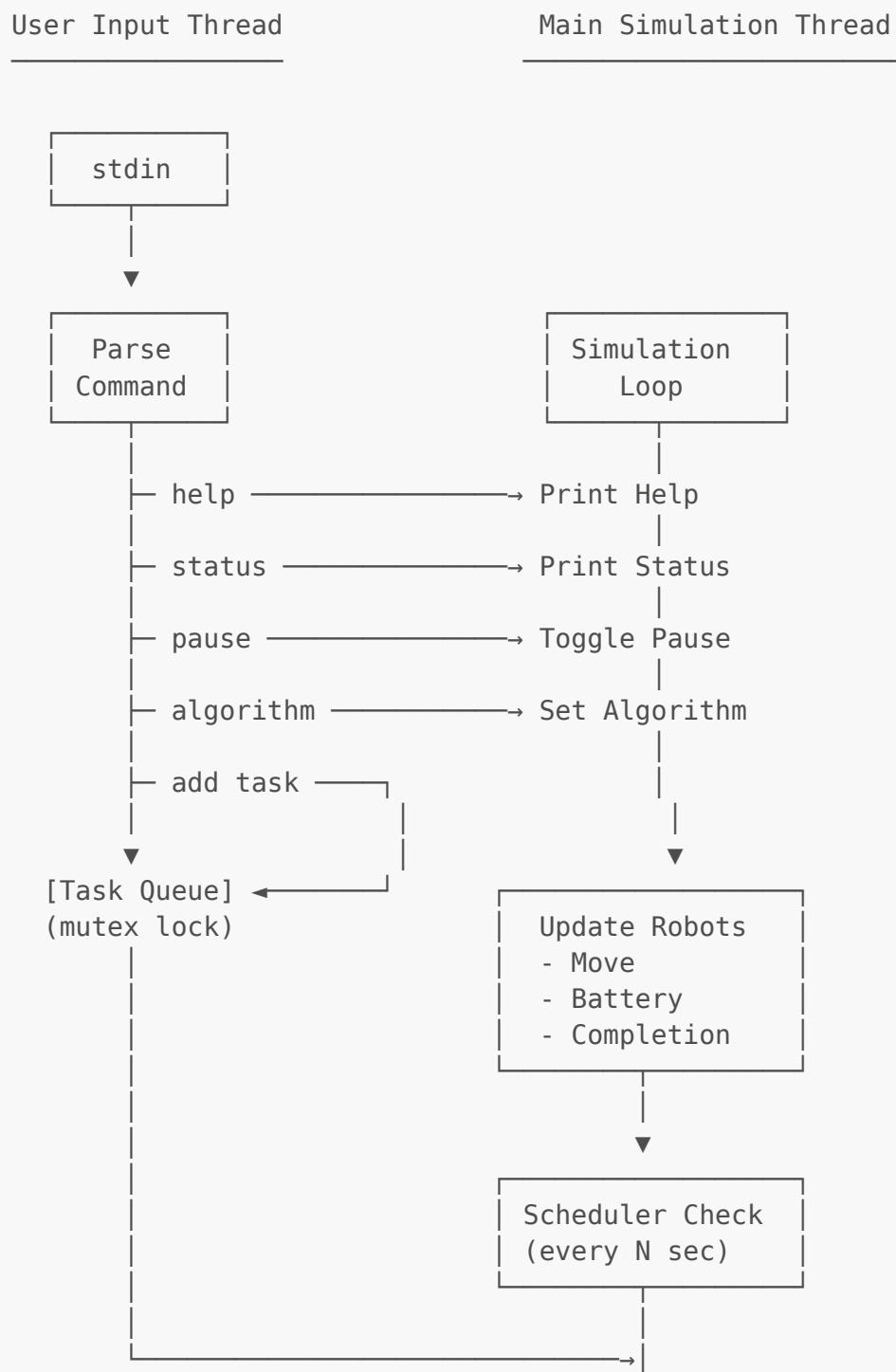
Layer Structure

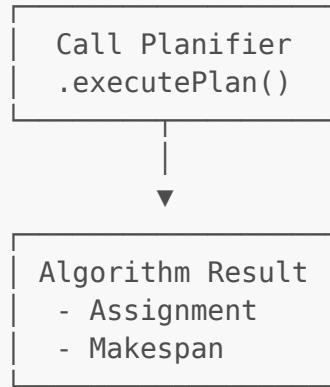


Graph

- ─→ Nodes (waypoints, charging, pickup, dropoff)
- ─→ Edges (connections, distances, speeds)
- ─→ Shortest path algorithms
- └→ File I/O (load/save)

Real-Time Simulator Data Flow





Thread Safety

Main Thread	Input Thread
<pre> while (running) { update robots if (time to schedule) { Lock Mutex Get Tasks Run Planner Get Result Unlock Mutex } sleep(timeStep) } </pre>	<pre> while (running) { read command ----- Lock Mutex Get Tasks Run Planner Get Result Unlock Mutex ----- sleep(100ms) } </pre>

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Key Design Decisions

1. Non-Invasive Integration

- Real-time simulator is a **new application**
- Planifier is used as a **library**
- No modifications to existing 02_layer_planner code
- Original main.cc remains untouched

2. Separation of Concerns

- **Layer 1:** Graph structure and pathfinding
- **Layer 2:** Task scheduling and optimization
- **Layer 3:** Real-time execution and interactivity

3. Strategy Pattern

- Algorithms are interchangeable
- Can switch during runtime
- Each algorithm implements same interface

4. Thread-Safe Design

- Mutex protects shared state
- Lock only during critical sections
- Non-blocking input handling

File Dependencies

```

real_time_simulator/
├── main.cc
    └── requires: SimulationController.hh, Graph.hh, Task.hh

└── src/SimulationController.cc
    └── requires: SimulationController.hh
        Planifier.hh
        algorithms/*.hh
        Robot.hh, Task.hh, Graph.hh

└── include/SimulationController.hh
    └── requires: Planifier.hh, Graph.hh, Task.hh, Robot.hh

```

Compilation Chain

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Source Files	Object Files	Executable
main.cc	→ main.o	
SimulationController.cc	→ SimulationController.o	
Planifier.cc	→ Planifier.o	
Robot.cc	→ Robot.o	
Task.cc	→ Task.o	
01_BruteForce.cc	→ 01_BruteForce.o	
02_Greedy.cc	→ 02_Greedy.o	
03_HillClimbing.cc	→ 03_HillClimbing.o	
SchedulerUtils.cc	→ SchedulerUtils.o	
TSPSolver.cc	→ TSPSolver.o	
AssignmentPrinter.cc	→ AssignmentPrinter.o	
		→ simulator

Usage Flow

1. User launches:
./build/simulator <graphId> [numRobots] [testCase]
2. main.cc:
 - Parses arguments
 - Loads Graph from file
 - Loads initial Tasks (if testCase provided)
 - Creates SimulationController
3. SimulationController.start():
 - Spawns input thread
 - Enters main loop
4. Main Loop (continuous):

```
while (running) {  
    - Update simulation time  
    - Update robots (position, battery, tasks)  
    - Check if scheduler interval elapsed  
    - If yes: run scheduler cycle  
    - Sleep for timeStep  
}
```
5. Input Thread (parallel):

```
while (running) {  
    - Wait for user input  
    - Parse command  
    - Execute action (add task, change algo, etc.)  
    - Continue  
}
```
6. Scheduler Cycle (periodic):
 - Lock task queue
 - Call Planifier.executePlan()
 - Algorithm runs and returns result
 - Assignment printed
 - Unlock
7. User quits:
 - Sets running = false
 - Main loop exits
 - Input thread joins
 - Cleanup and exit

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Extension Points

To add new features to the simulator:

1. Add New Commands

- Update `processCommand()` method
- Add case to command parser
- Implement command handler

2. Add Robot Behaviors

- Implement in `updateRobots()`
- Access robot queues via Planifier
- Update positions, battery, states

3. Add Visualization

- Create new class: `SimulationVisualizer`
- Hook into main loop
- Render state at each step

4. Add Metrics/Logging

- Create new class: `SimulationLogger`
- Record events and statistics
- Export to file or database

5. Add Network Interface

- Create new class: `SimulationServer`
- Expose REST API or WebSocket
- Allow remote monitoring/control

Note: All extensions should be added to the `real_time_simulator` layer, keeping the existing layers (01 and 02) unchanged.