Lab 1: OpenCPI Application Development





Objectives

- 1. Create FSK loopback (FPGA internal) OpenCPI Application XML (OAS) using the IDE
- 2. Run application on Ettus E310 hardware



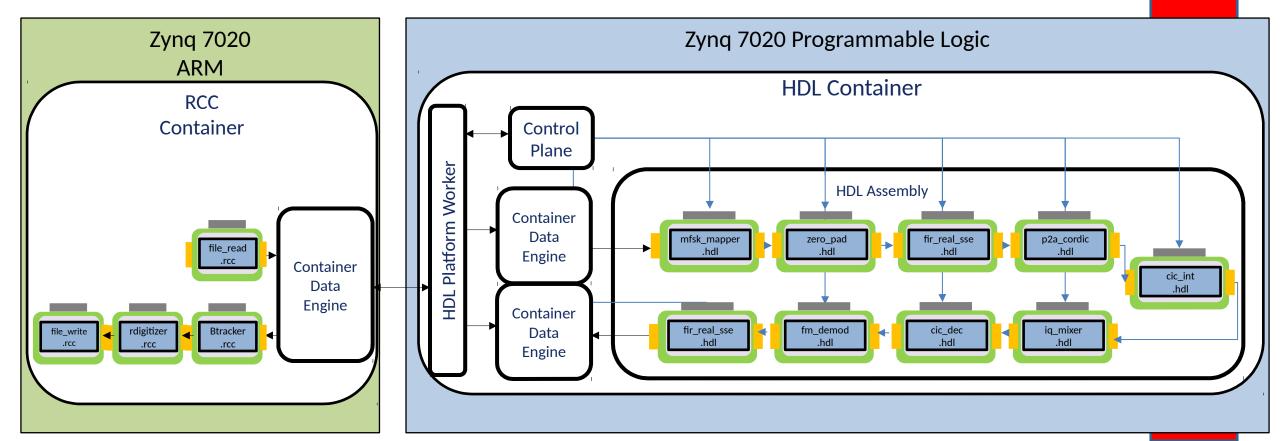


Overview

- A common use case for OpenCPI is the reuse of components from multiple libraries to construct applications for heterogeneous systems
- An OpenCPI Application Specification (OAS) XML describes the connections and initial property settings of the components
 - The ANGRYVIPER (AV) IDE helps generate this XML file graphically
- The generated XML is used by the ocpirun utility program during the execution of the application on a platform

Overview

- The reference application performs FSK modulation/demodulation
 - Modulation
 - Read Input File → FSK Symbol Mapper → Zero-pad → Pulse Shape → FM Modulate → Interpolate
 - Demodulation
 - Decimate → Demodulate → Filter → Baud Track → Digitize → Write Output File







- Open **;⊚CPI**

- The utility program ocpirun provides a simple way to execute applications
- Usage is: ocpirun app.xml
 - app.xml is a OAS file like the one which will be generated with the IDE in this lab
- The arguments passed to ocpirun can specify how the application is run

Option	Letter	Description
Dump	d	Dump all readable properties after initialization, and again after execution, to stderr.
Verbose	V	Be verbose in describing what is happening.
Log Level	1	For this execution, set the OpenCPI log level to the given level. 8 and 10 are commonly used.
Time	t	Stop execution after this many seconds. This is useful when there is no definition of "done" for the application.

More detail on ocpirun can be found in the **OpenCPI Application Development Guide**document

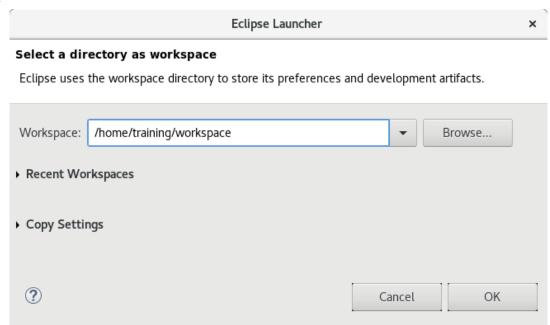
Application Development Flow

- 1. Add components to the OAS
- 2. Specify non-default properties for the components
- 3. Make connections between the components
- 4. Setup deployment platform
- 5. Run and test the application



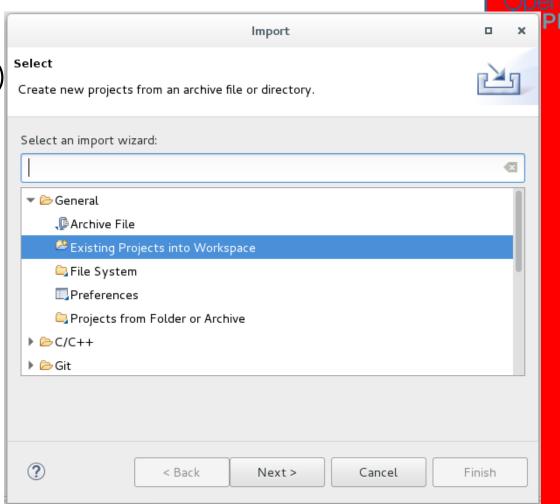


- Start AV IDE and set the default workspace to:
 - /home/training/workspace
 - Note: Don't deviate from this path, this will be used in the remainder of the labs.
- Exit the welcome screen
- Launch the "perspective"
 - Window → Perspective →
 Open Perspective → Other...
 - Choose "ANGRYVIPER Perspective"

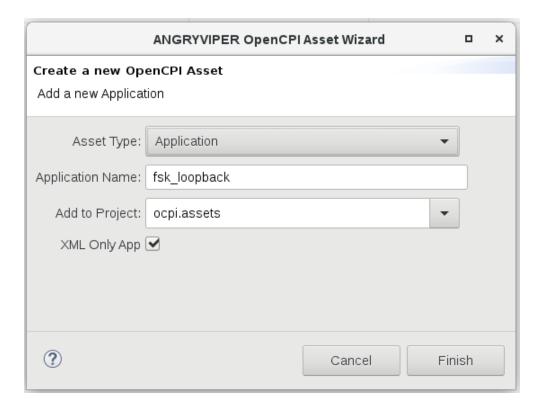




- Import pre-built projects:
 - core: basic components(read and write files)
 - assets: various components libraries
 - assets_ts: components for timestamping
 - **bsp_e310:** unique device workers, card definition and the E310 BSP
- Pre-built projects are located at:
 - ~/training/ocpi_projects/core
 - ~/training/ocpi_projects/assets
 - ~/training/ocpi_projects/assets_ts
 - ~/training/ocpi_projects/bsp_e310
- To import project into eclipse:
 - File → Import...
 - "Existing Projects into Workspace"



- Create new application in an existing project
- To create an application
 - In OpenCPI Projects, right click assets:
 - Asset Wizard
 - Asset Type: Application
 - Application Name: fsk_loopback
 - Add to Project: ocpi.assets
 - XML only: Yes







Delete the ocpi.core.nothing component

 This worker is automatically placed by the framework to ensure the generated OAS can be executed without editing the generated file

To add components

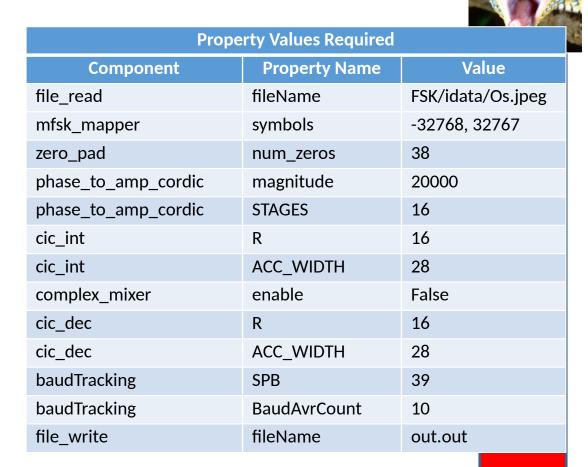
- 1. Within the Project Explorer tab and using the provided table, navigate into the "specs" directory of the appropriate Project:Library
- 2. Drag spec file onto Application Editor
- 3. Recommended: Name component

 * There are 2 instances of fir_real_ssespec.xml. To distinguish the instances,
 name one "tx_fir" and the other "rx_fir".
 Addressed in the following slides.

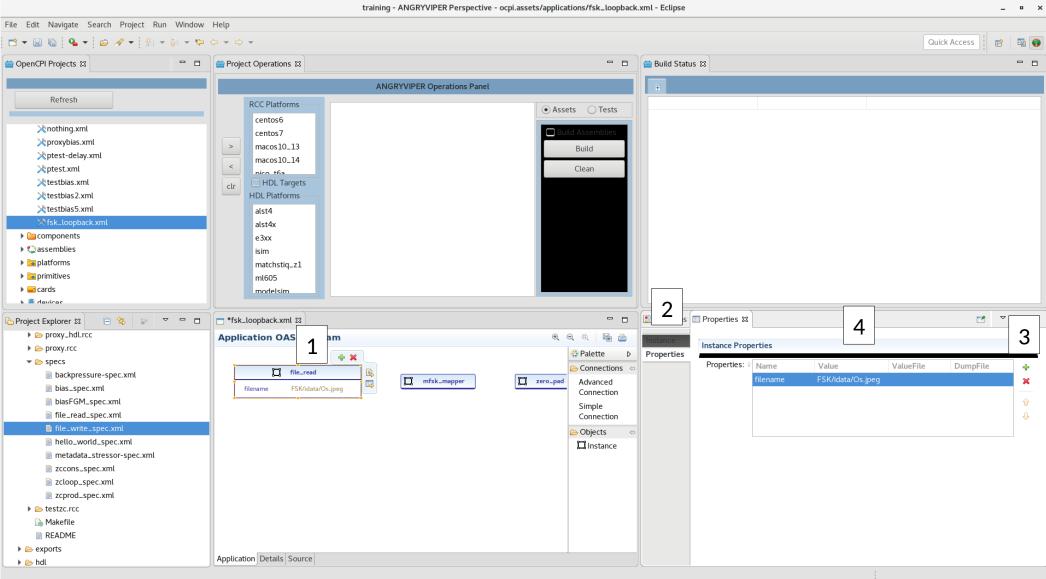
Component Specs Required				
Name	Project : Library			
file_read_spec.xml	Core : components			
mfsk_mapper-spec.xml	Assets: components/comms_comps			
zero_pad-spec.xml	Assets: components/util_comps			
fir_real_sse-spec.xml*	Assets: components/dsp_comps			
phase_to_amp_cordic-spec.xml	Assets: components/dsp_comps			
cic_int-spec.xml	Assets: components/dsp_comps			
complex_mixer-spec.xml	Assets: components/dsp_comps			
cic_dec-spec.xml	Assets: components/dsp_comps			
rp_cordic-spec.xml	Assets: components/dsp_comps			
fir_real_sse-spec.xml*	Assets: components/dsp_comps			
baudTracking-spec.xml	Assets: components/dsp_comps			
real_digitizer-spec.xml	Assets: components/dsp_comps			
file_write_spec.xml	Core : components			



- Set property values
 - To specify a property value (diagram on next slide)
 - Right click on instance → "Show in Properties View"
 - 2) Click Properties Tab → Properties
 - 3) Click green plus sign on right side of tab → Instance Property
 - 4) Add "Name" and "Value"



Specifying Property Values









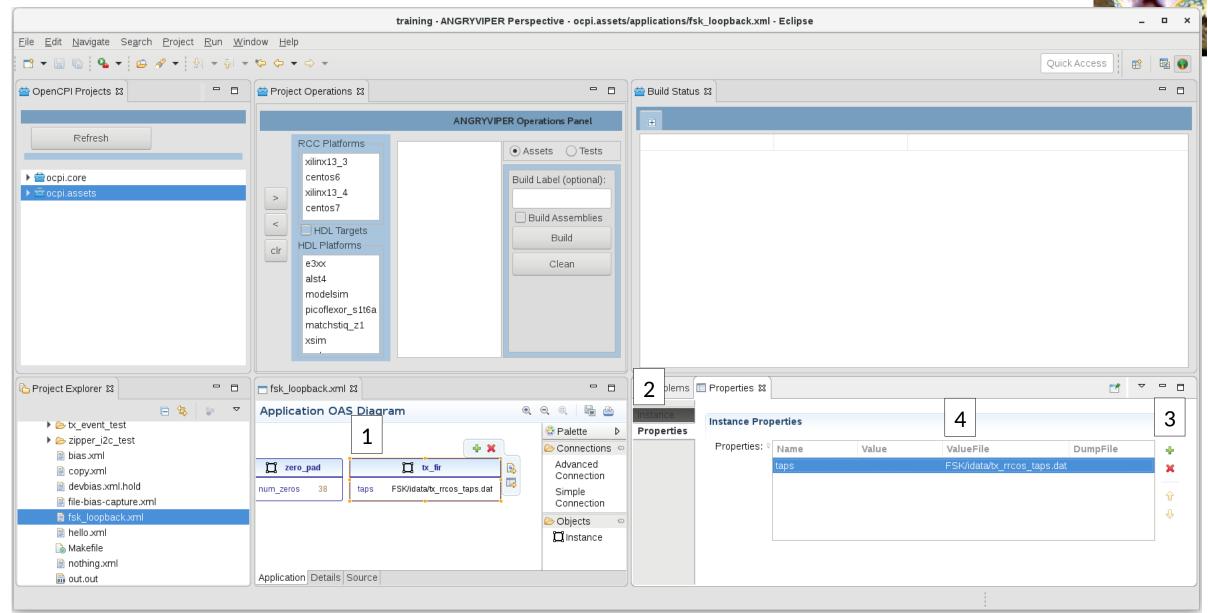
- Set property ValueFile
- The two instances of the fir_real_sse component used in this application have a property called "taps" which are arrays of 64
- Instead of specifying all 64 values in the IDE, we can set an attribute called **ValueFile** which points to a file which contains the values
- To specify a property ValueFile (diagram on next slide)
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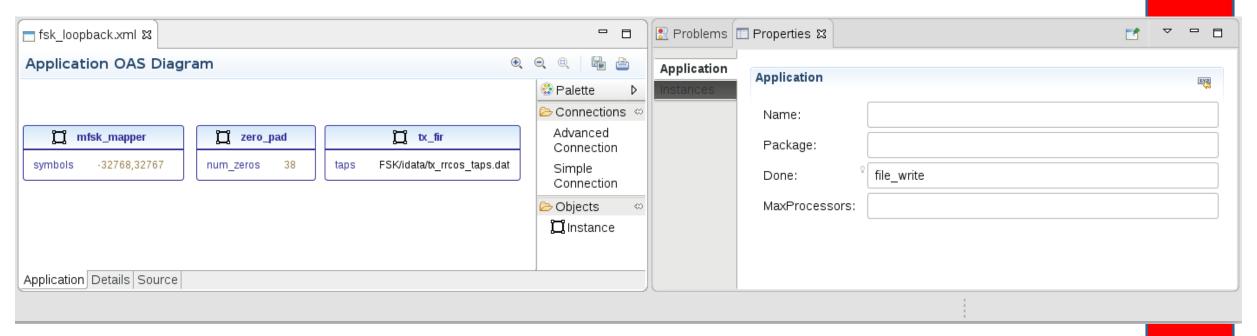


Property Values Required				
Component	Property Name	ValueFile		
tx_fir	taps	FSK/idata/tx_rrcos_taps.dat		
rx_fir	taps	FSK/idata/rx_rrcos_taps.dat		

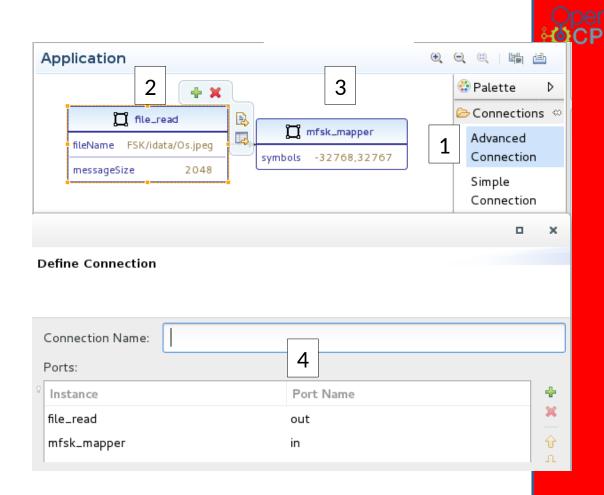
Specifying Property ValueFile



- Specifying Top Level Attributes in OAS
 - Configure the OAS to quit when the file_write component received End-of-File. There is a "top-level" attribute for OAS XML called "Done" used for this purpose
- To set top level OAS attribute:
 - 1. Click on the white space in between instances so none are selected
 - 2. In the property tab, fill in the "Done" field with the desired worker name



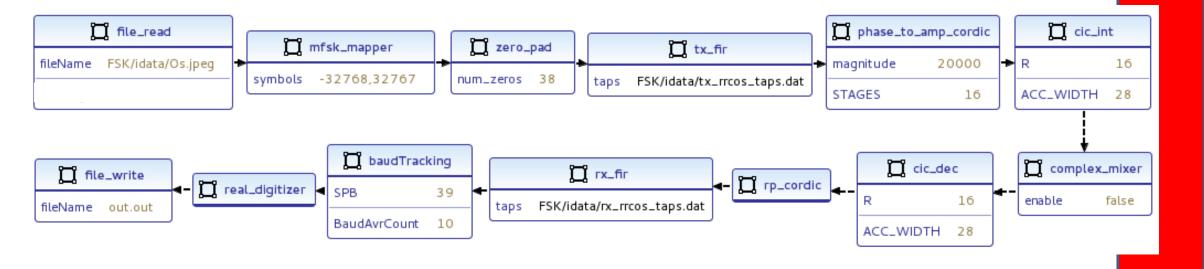
- Make connections
 - See next slide for diagram of required connections
 - Maximizing OAS pane helps
- To make a connection
 - 1. Click "Advanced Connection" on Palette Menu
 - 2. Click originating instance
 - 3. Click destination instance
 - 4. Populate "Port Name" fields
 - All workers in this lab use the default "out" and "in" Port Names
- Save your work!



End Result

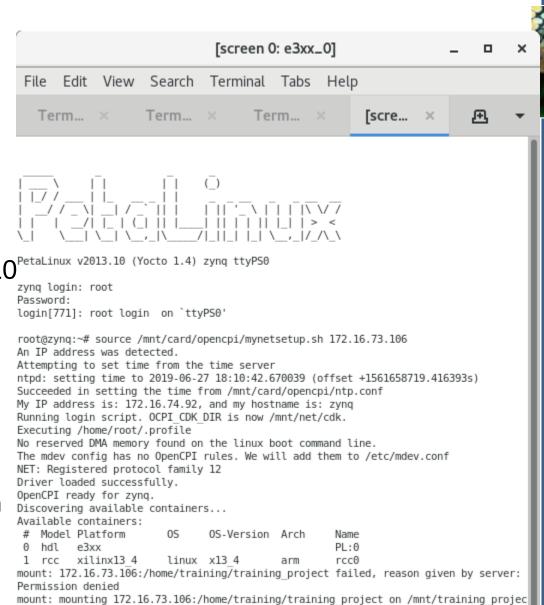






- Setup deployment platform
 - 1. Connect to serial port via USB on rear of Ettus E310 on Host
 - "screen /dev/e3xx_0 115200"
 - 2. Boot and login into Petalinux on E310
 - User/Password = root:root
 - 3. Verify Host and E310 have valid IP addresses
 - For training, they should both be on the same subnet
 - 4. Run setup script on E310
 - "source /mnt/card/opencpi/mynetsetup.sh <Host ip address>"

More detail on this process can be found in the E3xx Getting Started Guide document



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- Configure run-time artifact search path on target platform, i.e. OCPI_LIBRARY_PATH=
 - At run-time, applications must locate artifacts that satisfy its requirements, as defined in the OAS XML
 - Software worker .so files
 - HDL container .bitz files
 - To deploy this application, 5 artifacts are needed: 4 software worker .so files, 1 HDL container .bitz
 - file read.so
 - file write.so
 - Baudtracking simple.so
 - real digitizer.so
 - fsk filerw e3xx base.bitz
 - The OCPI LIBRARY PATH environment variable defines the search path for locating deployable artifacts
 - Path are searched recursively, so this variable can be as very specific or as broad as needed for locating the artifacts.
 - Broader paths lead to longer search times when running an application
 - The exports directory at the top level of project contains links to artifacts contained in the project
 - Component instances were added from the component libraries contained within these projects.
 - Set OCPI_LIBRARY_PATH on target platform





[&]quot;export OCPI_LIBRARY_PATH=/mnt/ocpi_core/exports:/mnt/ocpi_assets/exports"

- Run application on E310 using ocpirun
 - ocpirun is a utility program provided with the Component Development Kit (CDK) for running applications described by OAS XML
- To run application on E310:
 - Navigate to OAS XML:
 - "cd /mnt/ocpi_assets/applications"
 - Pass OAS XML to ocpirun:
 - "ocpirun -v fsk_loopback.xml"
 - ocpirun is a utility program provided with the CDK for running the application
 - Optional arguments on previous slides
 - Problems? See next slide
 - View output image on Host
 - "cd /home/training/ocpi projects/assets/applications"
 - "eog out.out"



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% cd /mnt/ocpi assets/applications/

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% ocpirun -v fsk loopback.xml

Available containers are: 0: PL:0 [model: hdl os: platform: e3xx], 1: rcc0 [model: rcc os: linu x platform: xilinx13_4]

Actual deployment is:

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Instance 0 file_read (spec ocpi.core.file_read) on rcc container 1: rcc0, using file_read in /mnt/ocpi_core/exports/lib/components/rcc/xilinx13_4/file_read.so dated Tue Jun 25 12:57:56 2019

Instance 1 mfsk_mapper (spec ocpi.assets.comms_comps.mfsk_mapper) on hdl container 0: PL:0, us ing mfsk_mapper/a/mfsk_mapper in /mnt/ocpi_assets/exports/lib/hdl/assemblies/fsk_filerw_e3xx_base .bitz dated Thu Jun 27 08:38:36 2019

Instance 2 zero_pad (spec ocpi.assets.util_comps.zero_pad) on hdl container 0: PL:0, using zer o_pad-1/a/zero_pad in /mnt/ocpi_assets/exports/lib/hdl/assemblies/fsk_filerw_e3xx_base.bitz dated Thu Jun 27 08:38:36 2019

Instance 3 tx_fir (spec ocpi.assets.dsp_comps.fir_real_sse) on hdl container 0: PL:0, using fir_real_sse/a/tx_fir_real in /mnt/ocpi_assets/exports/lib/hdl/assemblies/fsk_filerw_e3xx_base.bitz dated Thu Jun 27 08:38:36 2019

Instance 4 phase_to_amp_cordic (spec ocpi.assets.dsp_comps.phase_to_amp_cordic) on hdl contain er 0: PL:0, using phase_to_amp_cordic-1/a/phase_to_amp_cordic in /mnt/ocpi_assets/exports/lib/hdl /assemblies/fsk filerw e3xx base.bitz dated Thu Jun 27 08:38:36 2019

Instance 5 cic_int (spec_ocpi.assets.dsp_comps.cic_int) on hdl container 0: PL:0, using cic_in t-5/a/cic_int in /mnt/ocpi_assets/exports/lib/hdl/assemblies/fsk_filerw_e3xx_base.bitz dated Thu Jun 27 08:38:36 2019

Instance 6 complex_mixer (spec ocpi.assets.dsp_comps.complex_mixer) on hdl container 0: PL:0, using complex_mixer/a/complex_mixer in /mnt/ocpi_assets/exports/lib/hdl/assemblies/fsk_filerw_e3x x base.bitz dated Thu Jun 27 08:38:36 2019

Instance 7 cic_dec (spec ocpi.assets.dsp_comps.cic_dec) on hdl container θ: PL:θ, using cic_de c-5/a/cic_dec in /mnt/ocpi_assets/exports/lib/hdl/assemblies/fsk_filerw_e3xx_base.bitz dated Thu Jun 27 08:38:36 2019

Instance 8 rp_cordic (spec ocpi.assets.dsp_comps.rp_cordic) on hdl container 0: PL:0, using rp_cordic/a/rp_cordic in /mnt/ocpi_assets/exports/lib/hdl/assemblies/fsk_filerw_e3xx_base.bitz date d Thu Jun 27 08:38:36 2019

Instance 9 rx_fir (spec ocpi.assets.dsp_comps.fir_real_sse) on hdl container 0: PL:0, using fir_real_sse/a/rx_fir_real in /mnt/ocpi_assets/exports/lib/hdl/assemblies/fsk_filerw_e3xx_base.bitz dated Thu Jun 27 08:38:36 2019

Instance 10 baudTracking (spec ocpi.assets.dsp_comps.baudTracking) on rcc container 1: rcc0, us ing Baudtracking_simple in /mnt/ocpi_assets/exports/lib/dsp_comps/rcc/xilinx13_4/Baudtracking_simple.so dated Tue Jun 25 12:58:16 2019

Instance 11 real_digitizer (spec ocpi.assets.dsp_comps.real_digitizer) on rcc container 1: rcc0, using real_digitizer in /mnt/ocpi_assets/exports/lib/dsp_comps/rcc/xilinx13_4/real_digitizer.so dated Tue Jun 25 12:58:18 2019

Instance 12 file_write (spec ocpi.core.file_write) on rcc container 1: rcc0, using file_write in /mnt/ocpi_core/exports/lib/components/rcc/xilinx13_4/file_write.so dated Tue Jun 25 12:58:09 20 19

Application XML parsed and deployments (containers and artifacts) chosen Application established: containers, workers, connections all created Communication with the application established

Application started/running

Waiting for application to finish (no time limit)

Application finished

Common Errors / Debugging

- 1. "No acceptable implementations found"
 - OCPI_LIBRARY_PATH incorrect; try "-I 8"
 - Typo in OAS; check "Source" Tab and check spelling
 - Log 8 would say something like: Rejected: initial property "your_typo" not found
- 2. "No containers were found for deploying instance"
 - OCPI_LIBRARY_PATH incorrect
 - Have instructor check project exports
- 3. "...produced an error during the "start" control operation"
 - Follow diagnostics given, e.g. mistyped fileName entry
- 4. "Can't process file..."
 - Follow diagnostics given, e.g. mistyped ValueFile entry



