

BusyMap, an Efficient Data Structure to Observe Interconnect Contention in SystemC TLM-2.0

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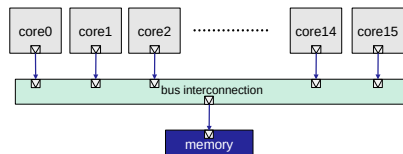
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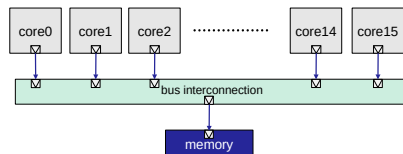
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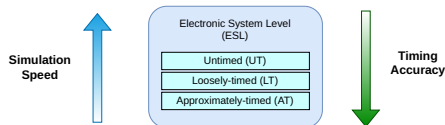
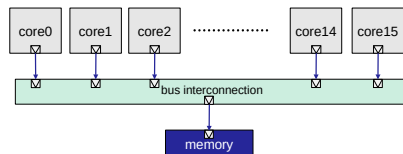
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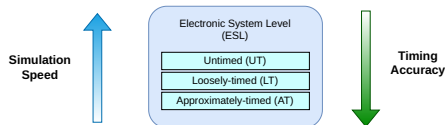
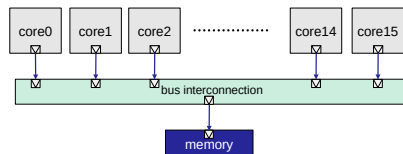
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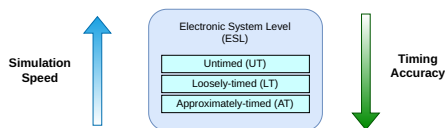
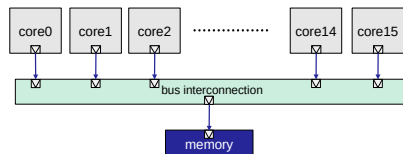
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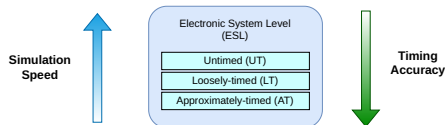
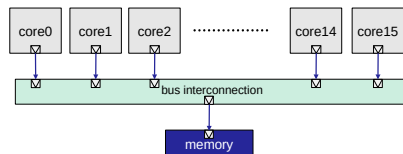
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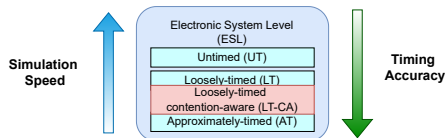
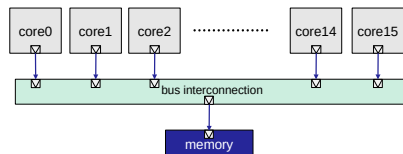
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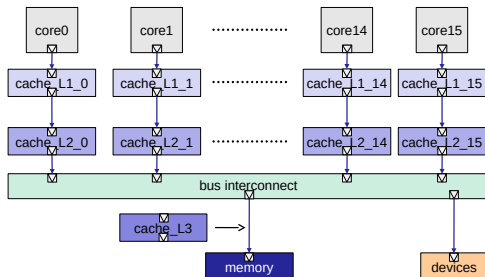
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- Our key contributions
 - TLM-2.0 loosely-timed resource contention modeling supporting **temporal decoupling** with **high accuracy** at **high-speed** simulation
 - Support multiple-level hierarchical interconnects, including **multi-level caches** or **multiple levels of buses**



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    // maintain bus contention
    busy_span := bus_delay + memory_delay;
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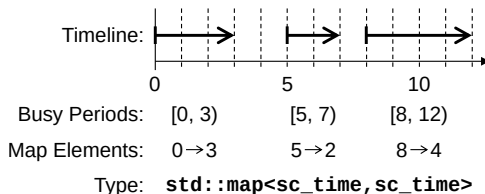
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- Bus contention model contains the ordered **busy_map**
- Details of algorithm can be found in the paper

Algorithm 2: Modeling bus contention using BusyMap

```

Module Bus_BusyMap begin
  target_socket S_in[NUM_TARGETS];
  initiator_socket S_OUT[NUM_INITIATORS];
  time bus_delay;
  time contention := 0;
  ordered_map <time,time> busy_map;
  Procedure ForwardRequest (trans, delay) begin
    // perform address translation
    socket := decode_and_translate(trans.address);
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    d1 := global_time + delay;
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    // maintain bus contention
    busy_span := bus_delay + memory_delay;
    AdvanceTime();
    available_slot := FindFreeSlot(d1, busy_span);
    busy_delay := available_slot - d1;
    SetBusy(available_slot, busy_span);
    contention += busy_delay;
    delay += bus_delay + busy_delay;
  end
  Procedure AdvanceTime begin
    if busy_map.empty() then
      | return;
    end
    keep := busy_map.upper_bound(global_time);
    if keep == busy_map.begin() then
      | return;
    end
    cut := prev(keep);
    if cut->start == global_time then
      | busy_map.erase(busy_map.begin(), cut);
      | return;
    end
    if (cut->start + cut->duration) > global_time then
      cut_duration := cut->start + cut->duration -
        global_time;
      busy_map.erase(busy_map.begin(), keep);
      busy_map[global_time] := cut_duration;
    else
      if keep == busy_map.end() then
        | busy_map.clear();
      else
        | busy_map.erase(busy_map.begin(), keep);
      end
    end
  end
end

```

Algorithm 3: Modeling bus contention using BusyMap (continued)

```

Function FindFreeSlot (earliest, span) begin
  if busy_map.empty() then
    | return earliest;
  end
  iter := busy_map.upper_bound(earliest);
  if iter == busy_map.begin() then
    | gap_at := 0;
  else
    | gap_at := prev(iter)->start + prev(iter)->duration;
  end
  if gap_at < earliest then
    | gap_at := earliest;
  end
  while iter != busy_map.end() do
    gap_duration := iter->start - gap_at;
    if span < gap_duration then
      | return gap_at;
    end
    gap_at := iter->start + iter->duration;
    iter++;
  end
  return gap_at;
end
  Procedure SetBusy (slot, span) begin
    if busy_map.empty() then
      | busy_map[slot] := span;
      | return;
    end
    r := busy_map.upper_bound(slot);
    if r == busy_map.begin() then
      | if r->start == slot + span then
        | busy_map[slot] := span + r->duration;
        | busy_map.erase(r);
      else
        // no adjacency, insert a new element
        | busy_map[slot] := span;
      end
      return;
    end
    l := prev(r);
    if l->start + l->duration == slot then
      if (r != busy_map.end()) and (r->start == slot + span)
        then
          // merge in between adjacent elements
          | l->duration += span + r->duration;
          | busy_map.erase(r);
        else
          // merge with adjacent element on the left
          | l->duration += span;
        end
      else
        if (r != busy_map.end()) and (r->start == slot + span)
          then
            // merge with adjacent element on the right
            | busy_map[slot] := span + r->duration;
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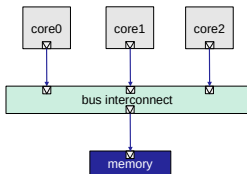
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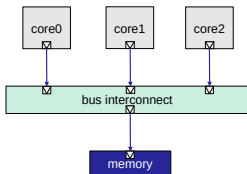
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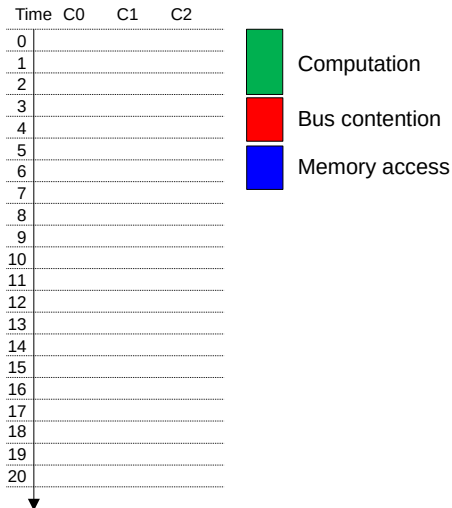
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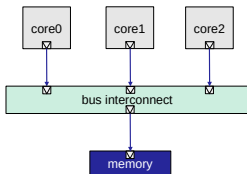


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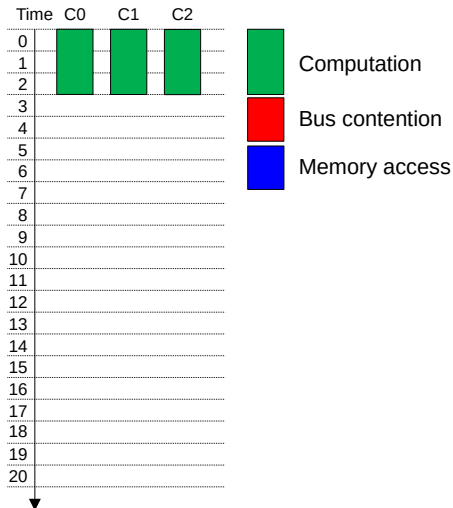


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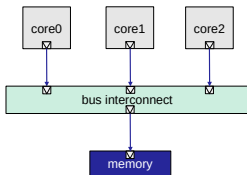


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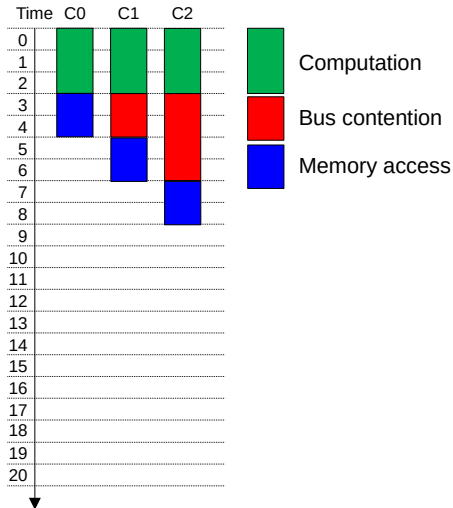


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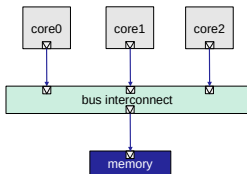


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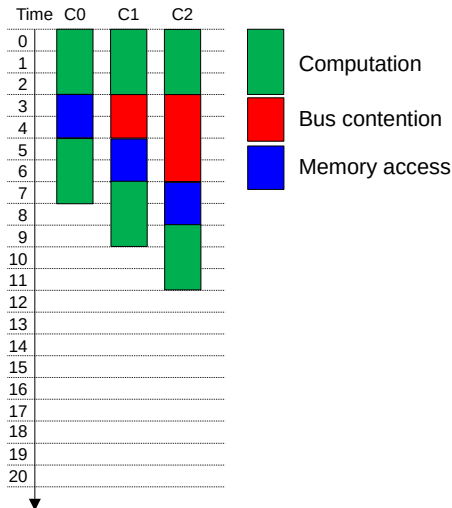


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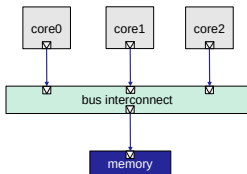


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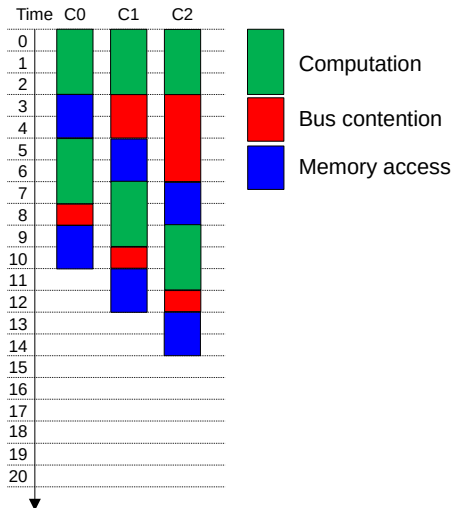


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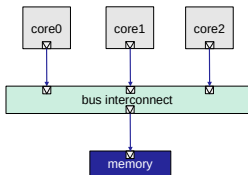


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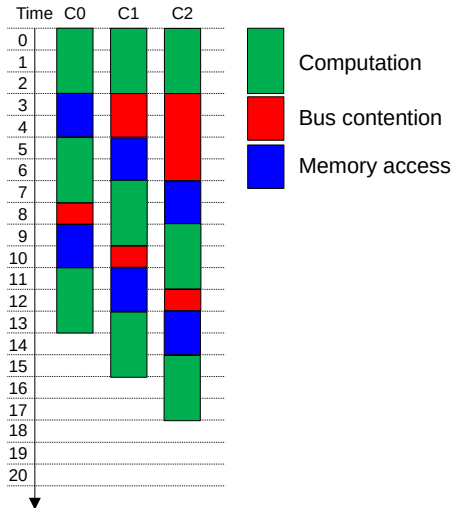


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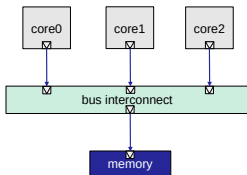


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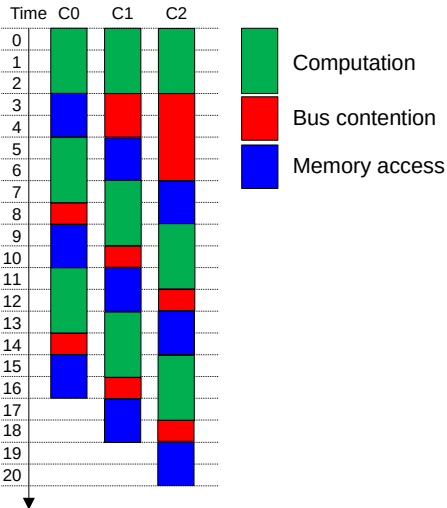


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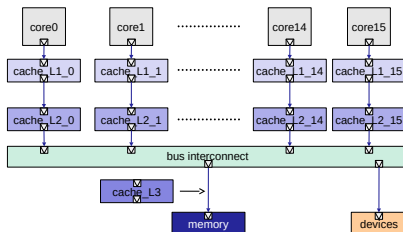
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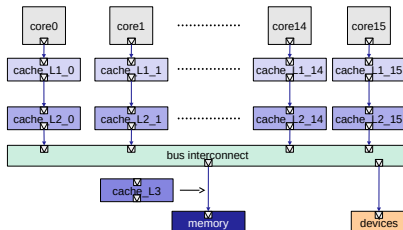
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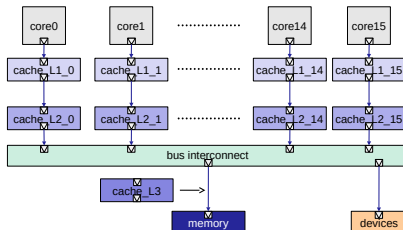
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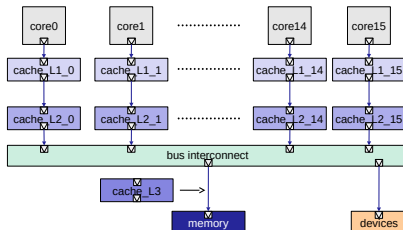


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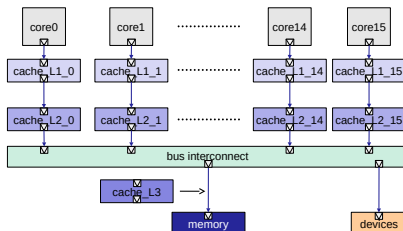


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Global quantum	2.33s	2.33s	3.94s	4.00s	30m49s	18m50s	63574400	63628015	21359780	0
0ns	2.33s	2.33s	N/A	4.00s	N/A	18m48s	N/A	63628015	N/A	0
10ns	N/A	2.33s	N/A	3.90s	N/A	13m33s	N/A	22157149	N/A	0
100ns	N/A	2.33s	N/A	4.71s	N/A	11m38s	N/A	6478006	N/A	0
1000ns	N/A	2.44s	N/A	5.95s	N/A	10m20s	N/A	896267	N/A	0
10000ns	N/A	2.65s	N/A							

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