

QAML: A Multi-Paradigm DSML for Quantitative Analysis of Embedded System Architecture Models

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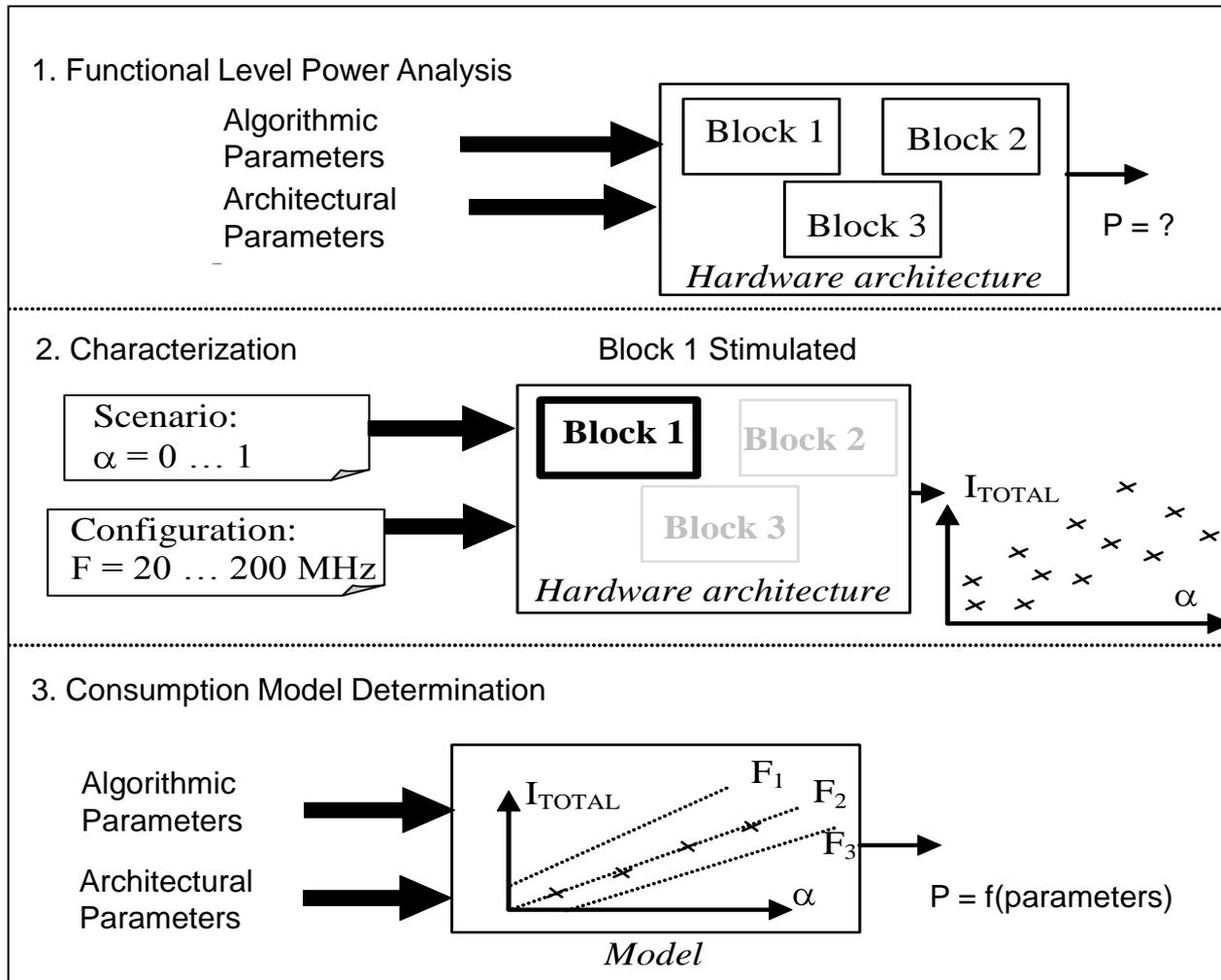
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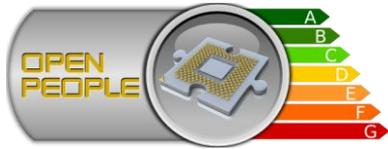
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- Language Overview
- Static Power Analysis Example.
- Conclusion and Future Work

Functional Level Power Analysis (FLPA)

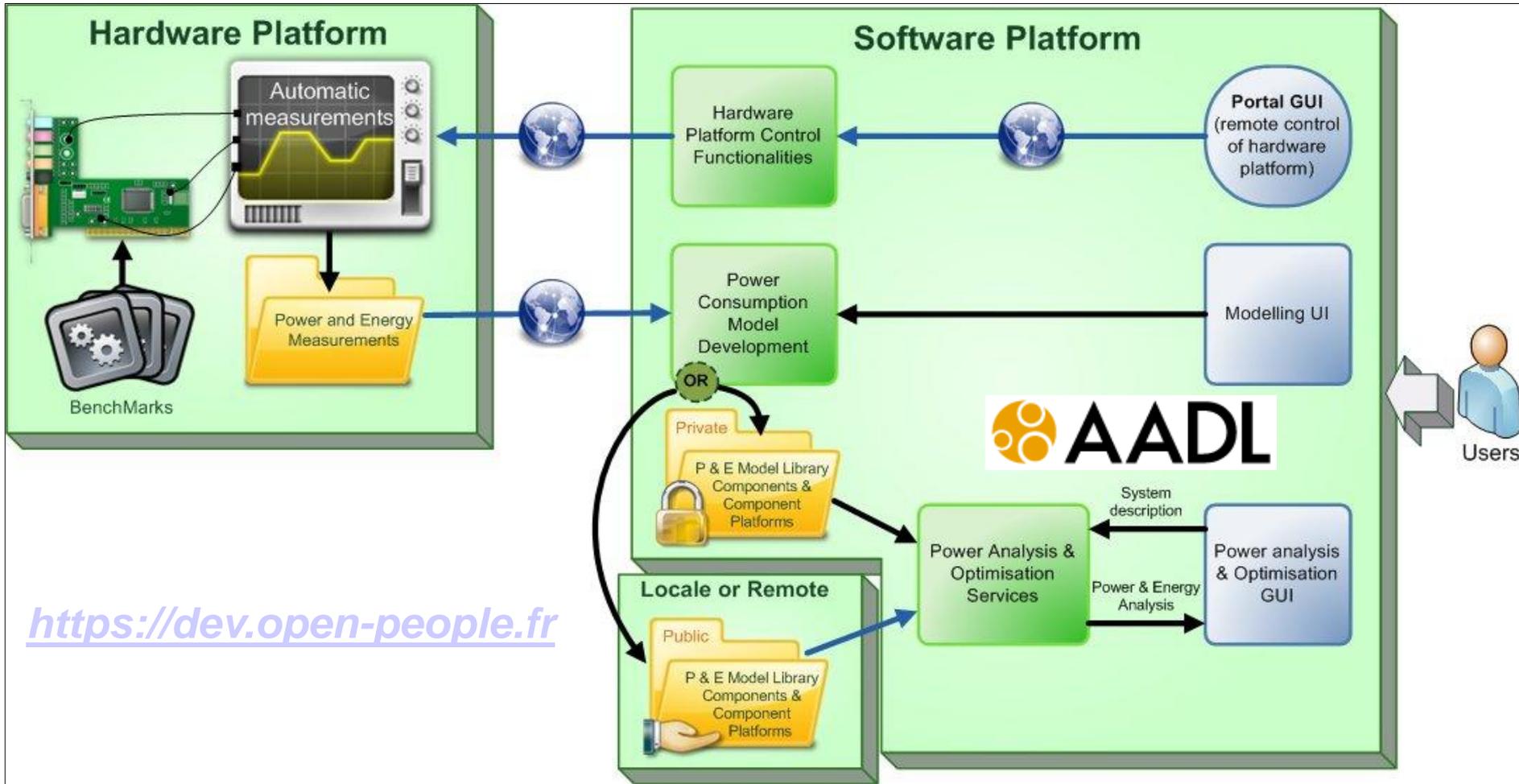


- Advantages:
 - Fast and accurate estimations. 😊
- Problems:
 - Reduced model applicability. 😞
 - To the specific component model on which measurements were taken.
 - There are many models....
 - Models are integrated in tools where they are expressed with general programming languages (Java, C++) .
 - Analysis tools need to be updated very often (every time a new model becomes available).
 - Analysis tools are difficult to integrate with the design.



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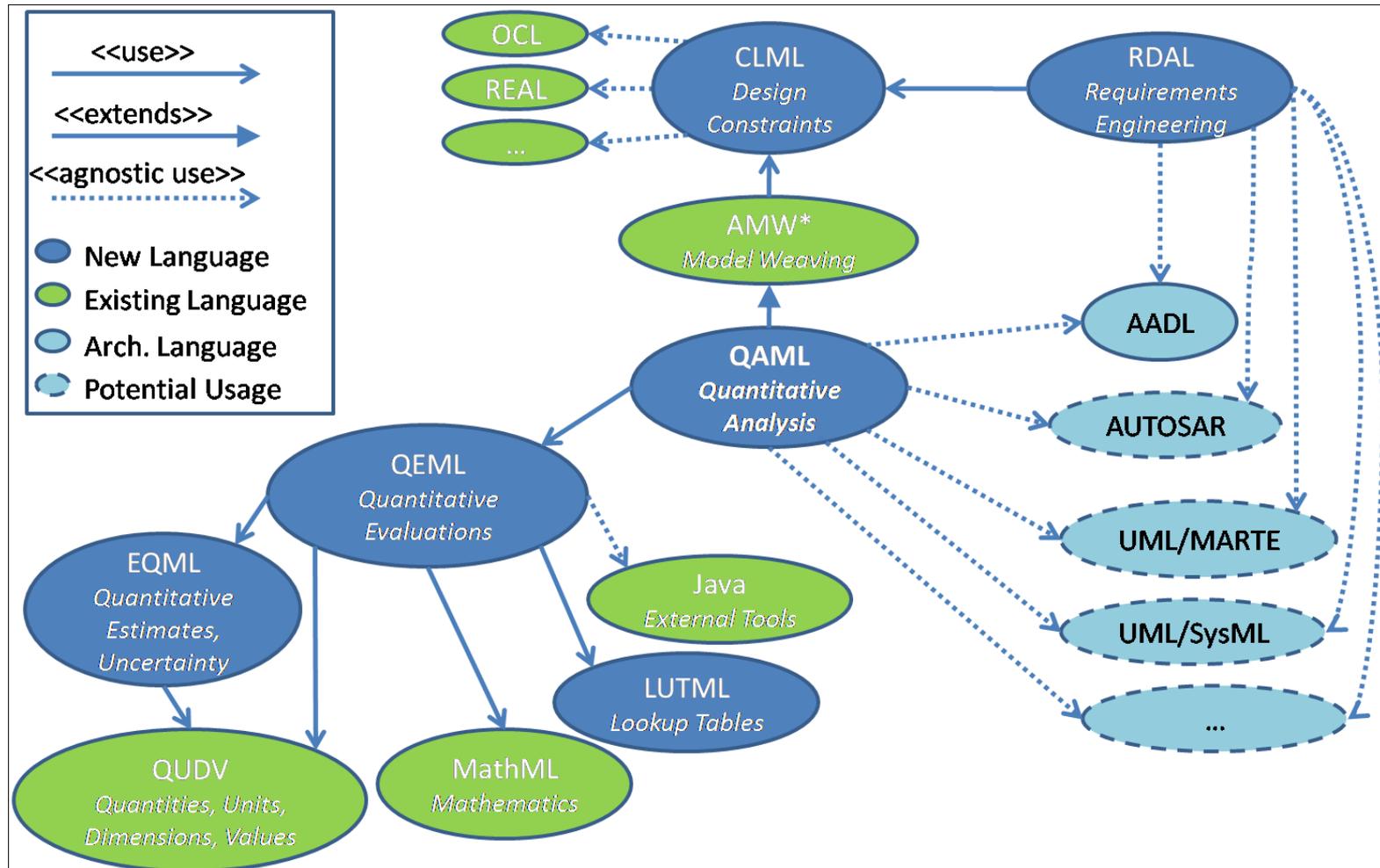
Solution: Formally represent analysis models with a dedicated language.

- Analysis results should be computable from the models.
- Allow analysis models to be easily integrated in model based designs.
 - Ideally by the designer.
- Analysis results automatically stored in design models (for verification).
- Provide means to ensure that the analysis results are always consistent with the design.
 - As the design changes, analysis may need to be performed again.
- Allow using external analysis tools.
 - Some analysis can only be expressed with computer programs.
 - Reuse legacy analysis tool.
- Do not restrict the usability to a specific ADL (reuse estimation models).

QAML (Quantitative Analysis Modeling Language)

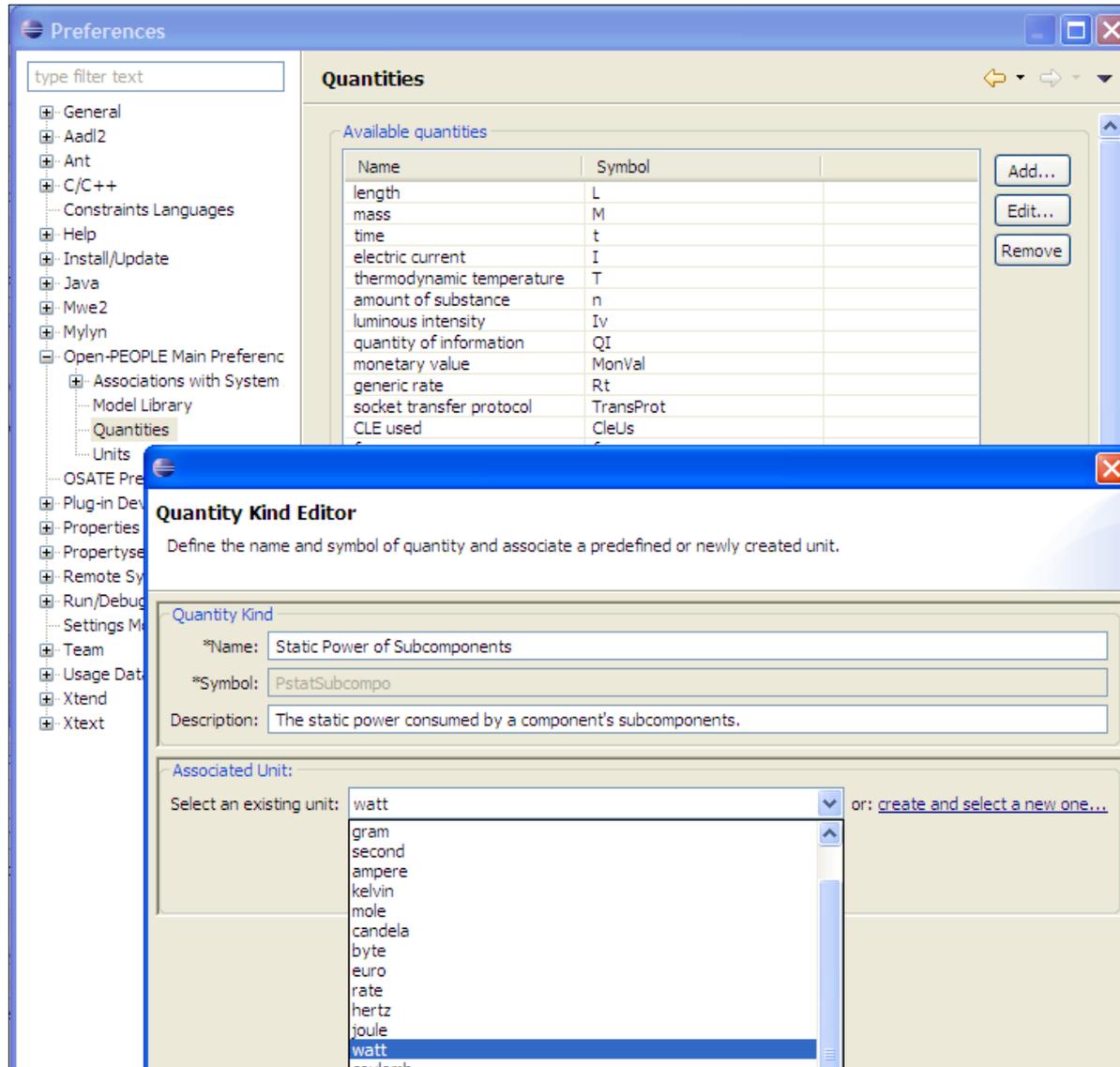
Follow MPM principles to design the language:

- Separation of concerns.
- Develop DSMLs for appropriate domain coverage (avoid accidental complexity).



Quantity Kinds and Units Definition

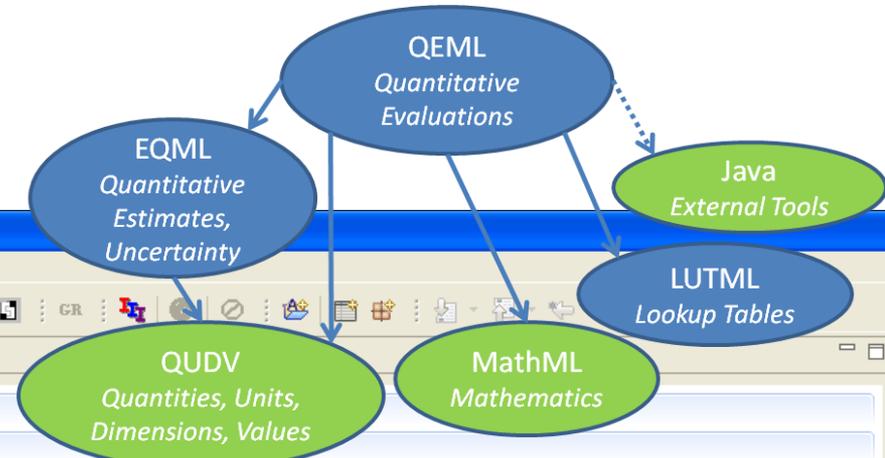
QUDV
Quantities, Units,
Dimensions, Values



$$P_{statSubcompo} = \sum_{subcomponents} P_{statTot}$$

$$P_{statTot} = P_{statSubcompo} + P_{stat}$$

QEML Model Definition



Estimation Law

Estimated quantity : PstatTot (Total Static Power) [milli] [watt]

PstatSubcompo + Pstat

Law : $PstatSubcompo + Pstat$ ± 0,00 %

Domain of validity :

PstatSubcompo (Static Power of Subcomponents, mW) [milli] [watt]

Pstat (Intrinsic Static Power, mW) [milli] [watt]

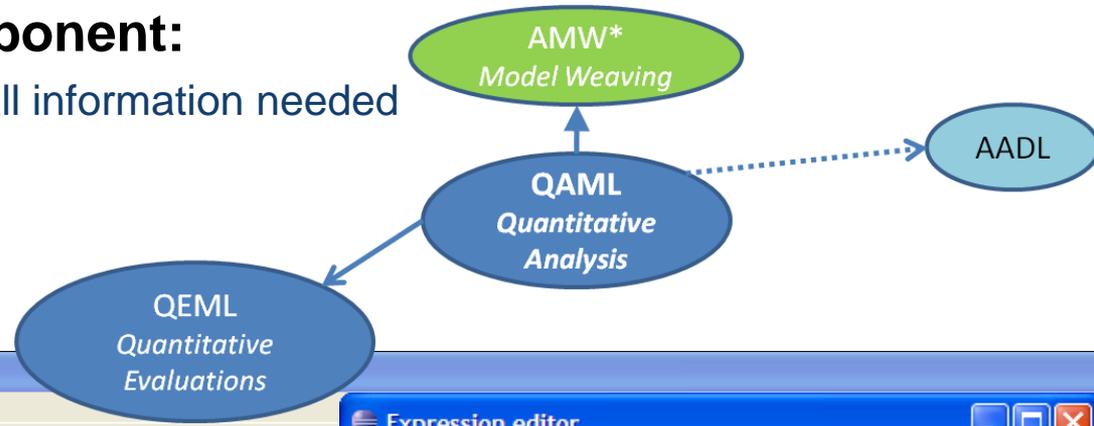
Composition Law

$PstatSubcompo$ [m] [W] = Sum of variable PstatTot [m] [W] Where variable PstatTot is obtained for each element of the subcomponents source set.

EXAMPLES: STATIC POWER ANALYSIS

Association with an AADL Component:

- At this high level of abstraction **not** all information needed to compute the model is available.



AADL Environment

The screenshot shows the Eclipse IDE with the AADL environment. The AADL Navigator on the left shows a project structure with 'Plugin_Resources' circled in red. The main editor displays the AADL code for 'generic_hw', including an abstract component and its implementation. The 'Quantitative Analysis' console at the bottom shows a table of power analysis results.

Quantity Model	Associated Property	from Component(s)	Property Value
(*) Total Static Power: PstatTot (mW) = Pstat (mW)			mW (evaluated)
Pstat (Intrinsic Static Power, mW)	Power_Static (default from preferences)	Abstract Implementation HW_Compon...	mW (from component)
PstatSubcompo (Static Power of Subcomponents, mW)	Power_Static_Subcompo (default from preferences)	Abstract Implementation HW_Compon...	mW (from component)
PstatTot (Total Static Power, mW)	Power_Static_Tot (default from preferences)	Abstract Implementation HW_Compon...	mW (evaluated)
(*) Static Power Subcomponents: PstatSubcompo			mW (evaluated)
PstatTot (Total Static Power, mW)	Power_Static_Tot (default from preferences)		
PstatSubcompo (Static Power of Subcomponents, mW)	Power_Static_Subcompo (default from preferences)		mW (evaluated)
subcomponents		None (from query)	

Evaluable inherited QAML Model

- At this lower level of abstraction **all** information needed to compute the model is available.

The screenshot displays a QAML code editor and a corresponding analysis table. The code defines a system implementation with subcomponents and their power properties. The analysis table below shows the evaluation of these properties, including inherited models and their values.

Code Snippet:

```
system implementation XUPboard_conf.System1
extends xup_board::XUPboard.System1
subcomponents
  xup_fpga: refined to system xcv2p30_conf::XCV2P30_platform.System1 {
    Power_Properties::Power_Static_Subcompo => 0.0 W .. 0.0 W;
    Power_Properties::Power_Static_Tot => 0.0 W .. 0.0 W;
  };
connections
  bus access VGA_onboard_bus0 -> xup_fpga.video_in;
  bus access xup_fpga.video_out -> Coder1.VGA_video_in;
properties
  Power_Properties::Power_Static => 0.0 pW .. 0.0 pW;
  Power_Properties::Power_Static_Subcompo => 3.615 W .. 3.615 W;
  Power_Properties::Power_Static_Tot => 3.615 W .. 3.615 W;
```

Analysis Table:

Quantity Model	Associated Property	from Component(s)	Property Value
(*) Total Static Power: PstatTot (mW) = Pstat (mW)			3,615 mW (evaluated)
Pstat (Intrinsic Static Power, mW)	Power_Static (default from preferences)	System Implementation XUPboard_conf...	0 mW (from component)
PstatSubcompo (Static Power of Subcomponents, mW)	Power_Static_Subcompo (default from preferences)	System Implementation XUPboard_conf...	3,615 mW (from component)
PstatTot (Total Static Power, mW)	Power_Static_Tot (default from preferences)	System Implementation XUPboard_conf...	3,615 mW (evaluated)
(*) Static Power Subcomponents: PstatSubcompo			3,615 mW (evaluated)
PstatTot (Total Static Power, mW)	Power_Static_Tot (default from preferences)		
		System Subcomponent xup_fpga	0 mW (from component)
		Memory Subcomponent CompactFlash1	2,100 mW (from component)
		Memory Subcomponent SDRAM1	110 mW (from component)
		Device Subcomponent Power_Supply1	0 mW (from component)
		Device Subcomponent EthernetPHY1	1,050 mW (from component)
		Device Subcomponent Coder1	20 mW (from component)
		Device Subcomponent Decoder1	20 mW (from component)
		Bus Subcomponent VGA_onboard_bus0	105 mW (from component)
		Bus Subcomponent CFbus1	105 mW (from component)
		Bus Subcomponent SDRAMbus1	105 mW (from component)
		Bus Subcomponent SDRAMbus1, Bus Subc...	3,615 mW (evaluated)

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FPGA Lookup Table Based Model

Multi-dimension data table

Usage Rate of Configurable Logic	Clock Frequency (MHz)	Toggle Rate (cRt)	Total Static Power (W)
10.0	100.0	6.25	0.9669488729134943
30.0	200.0	12.5	1.03469776684404
50.0	300.0	25.0	1.3129570601616454
70.0	400.0	47.0	1.3781940540625317
90.0			



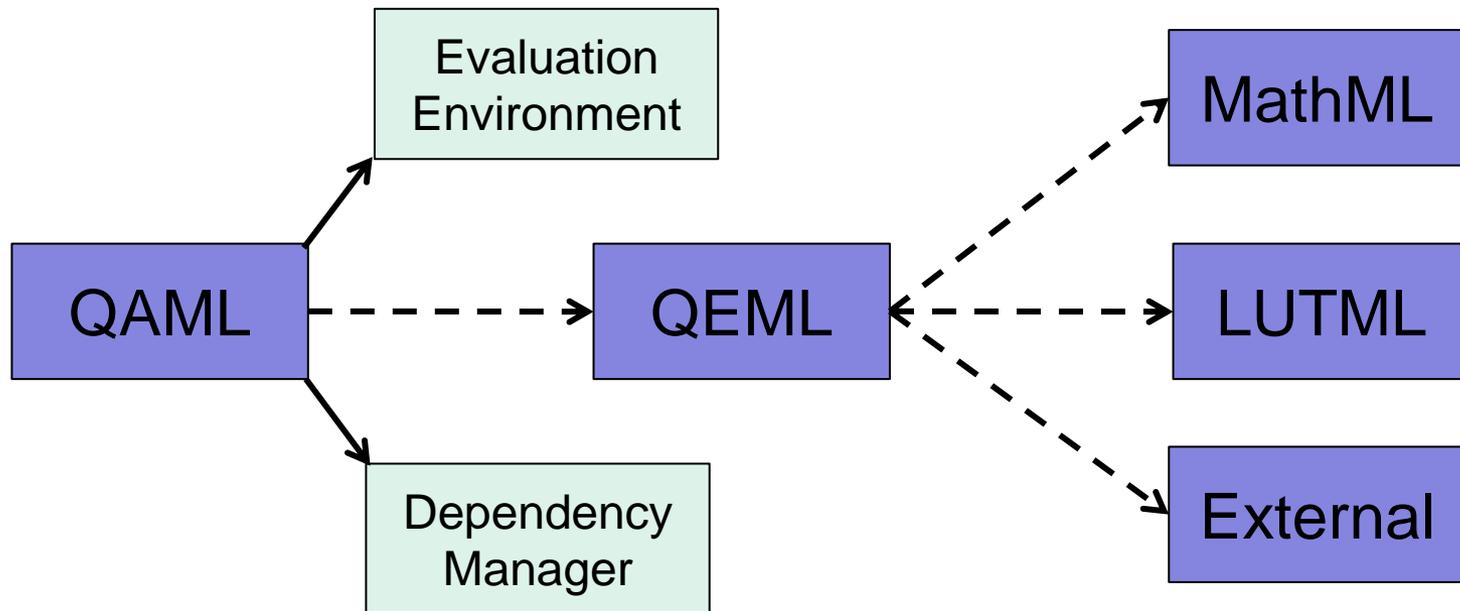
```
system implementation XCV2P30_conf_space.System1
  extends VirtexIIPro_conf_space.System1
  properties
    Power_Properties::Power_Static_Subcompo => 0.0 W .. 0.0 W;
  end XCV2P30_conf_space.System1;
```

Associated
Overriding Model

Quantity Model	Associated Property	from Component(s)	Property Value
(x) Static Power Subcomponents: PstatSubcompo			0 mW (evaluated)
PstatTot XCV2P30 FPGA: PstatTot (W) = Looku			W (evaluated)
TgRt (Toggle Rate, cRt)	Avg_Toggle_Rate (default from preferences)	<input type="checkbox"/> System Implementation XCV2P30_conf_spac...	cRt (from component)
Fclock (Clock Frequency, MHz)	Frequency (default from preferences)	<input type="checkbox"/> System Implementation XCV2P30_conf_spac...	MHz (from component)
CleUsRt (Usage Rate of Configurable Logic Eleme)	CLE_Usage_Rate (default from preferences)	<input type="checkbox"/> System Implementation XCV2P30_conf_spac...	cRt (from component)
PstatTot (Total Static Power, W)	Power_Static_Tot (default from preferences)	<input type="checkbox"/> System Implementation XCV2P30_conf_spac...	W (evaluated)

SEMANTICS

- Semantics composed from the semantics of the sub-languages.
- QAML is an interpreted language.
 - Interpreter developed in Java.
- Composite interpreter calling sub languages interpreters.
 - Sub-languages and their interpreters can be reused independently.



- MPM methodology provided nice language architecture favoring separation of concerns and reuse of existing DSMLs.
 - Saved tremendous modeling efforts and ensured proper domain coverage.
- QAML can be used for many analyses besides power consumption:
 - Equation based model.
 - Simulation results (LUT).
 - Integration of legacy analysis tools.
- Analysis results maintained consistent with design models.
- Opportunity to represent *formal* components data sheets.

- Improve inter model consistency (what to do when referred model elements are deleted, changed, etc).
- Use QAML for other analyses than power consumption.
- Extend QAML for non numerical properties.
- Use QAML with other ADLs (Autosar, SysML, etc.).
- Tool available from <https://dev.open-people.fr/wiki/OPSWP-Release>
- Next releases should include:
 - QAML automated evaluation.
 - Uncertainty management.
 - External tool evaluation descriptor.