

An Eclipse-based Integrated Environment for Developing Executable Structural Operational Semantics Specifications

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Relational Meta-Language

- a system for generation of efficient executable code from SOS/Natural Semantics specifications
- fast learning curve, used in teaching and specification of languages such as: Java, Modelica, MiniML, Pascal,...
- *developed by Mikael Pettersson*
 - “*Compiling Natural Semantics*” *PhD Linköping University 1996*
 - *also as Springer Lecture Notes in Computer Science (LNCS) vol. 1549 in 1999*
- previously poor environment support (Emacs, command line tools)

SOS/Natural Semantics vs. Relational Meta-Language

RML has the same visual syntax as SOS/Natural Semantics

```
rule    <cond>
        RelName1(H1,T1) => R1 & ...
        RelNameN(Hn,Tn) => Rn &
        -----
        RelName(H, T) => R
```

RML language properties

- Separation of input and output arguments/results
- Statically strongly typed
- Polymorphic type inference
- Efficient compilation of pattern-matching

SOS/Natural Semantics vs. Relational Meta-Language

Natural Semantics formalism
integers:

$$v \in \text{Int}$$

expressions (abstract syntax):

$$e \in \text{Exp} ::= v$$

$$| e_1 + e_2$$

$$| e_1 - e_2$$

$$| e_1 * e_2$$

$$| e_1 / e_2$$

$$| -e$$

Relational Meta-Language

module exp1:

(* Abstract syntax of language
Exp1 *)

datatype Exp = INTconst of int

| ADDop of Exp * Exp

| SUBop of Exp * Exp

| MULop of Exp * Exp

| DIVop of Exp * Exp

| NEGop of Exp

relation eval: Exp => int

end

Natural Semantics vs. Relational Meta-Language

Natural Semantics formalism

$$(1) \quad v \Rightarrow v$$

$$(2) \quad \frac{e1 \Rightarrow v1 \ e2 \Rightarrow v2 \ v1 + v2 \Rightarrow v3}{e1 + e2 \Rightarrow v3}$$

$$(3) \quad \frac{e1 \Rightarrow v1 \ e2 \Rightarrow v2 \ v1 - v2 \Rightarrow v3}{e1 + e2 \Rightarrow v3}$$

$$(4) \quad \frac{e1 \Rightarrow v1 \ e2 \Rightarrow v2 \ v1 * v2 \Rightarrow v3}{e1 + e2 \Rightarrow v3}$$

$$(5) \quad \frac{e1 \Rightarrow v1 \ e2 \Rightarrow v2 \ v1 / v2 \Rightarrow v3}{e1 + e2 \Rightarrow v3}$$

$$(6) \quad \frac{e \Rightarrow v \ -v \Rightarrow vneg}{-e \Rightarrow vneg}$$

Relational Meta-Language

```

relation eval: Exp => int =
axiom eval(INTconst(ival)) => ival

rule eval(e1) => v1 &
eval(e2) => v2 & int_add(v1,v2) => v3
-----
eval( ADDOp(e1, e2) ) => v3

rule eval(e1) => v1 &
eval(e2) => v2 & int_sub(v1,v2) => v3
-----
eval( SUBOp(e1, e2) ) => v3

rule eval(e1) => v1 &
eval(e2) => v2 & int_mul(v1,v2) => v3
-----
eval( MULOp(e1, e2) ) => v3

rule eval(e1) => v1 &
eval(e2) => v2 & int_div(v1,v2) => v3
-----
eval( DIVOp(e1, e2) ) => v3

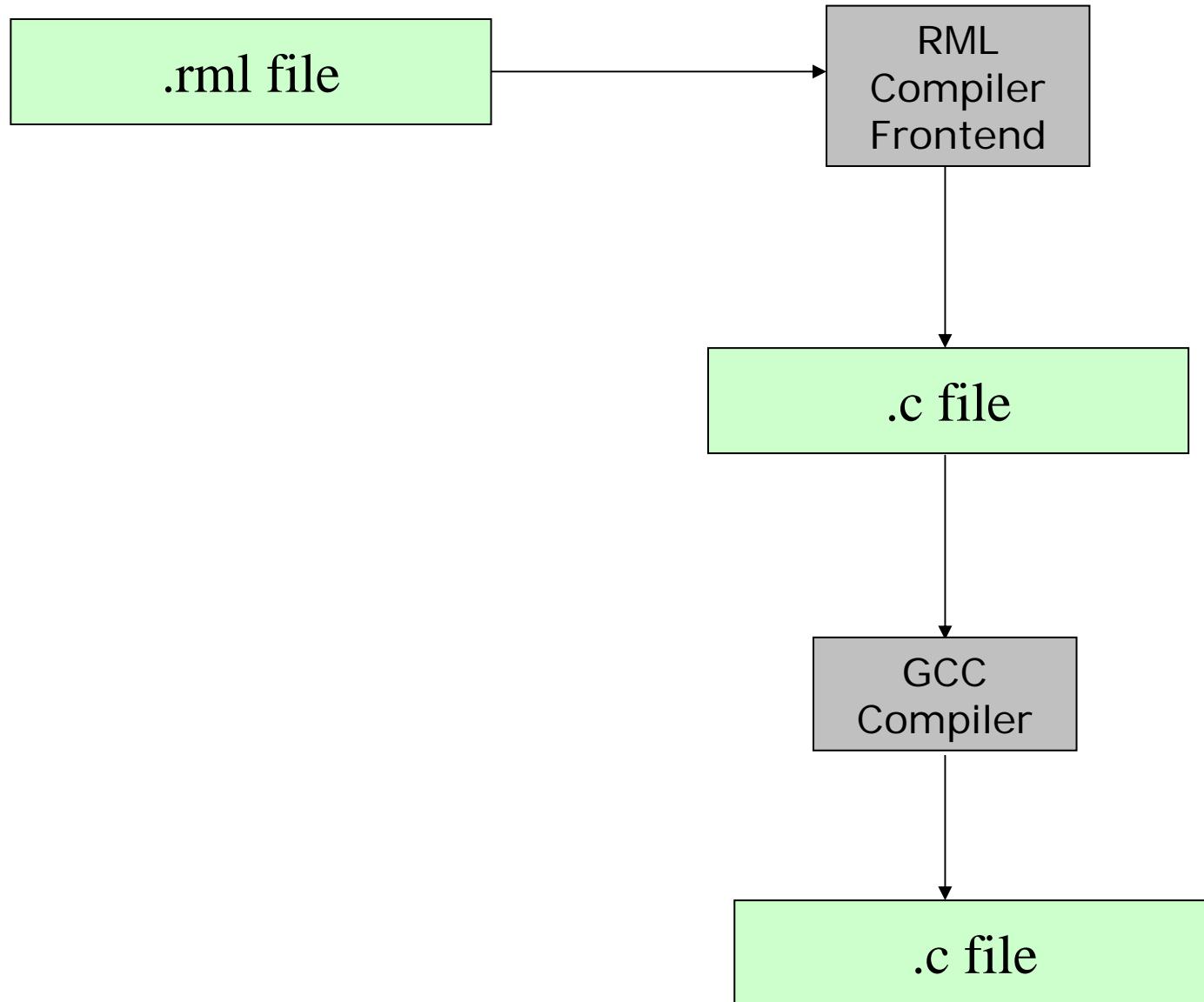
rule eval(e) => v & int_neg(v) => vneg
-----
eval( NEGOp(e) ) => vneg
end (* eval *)

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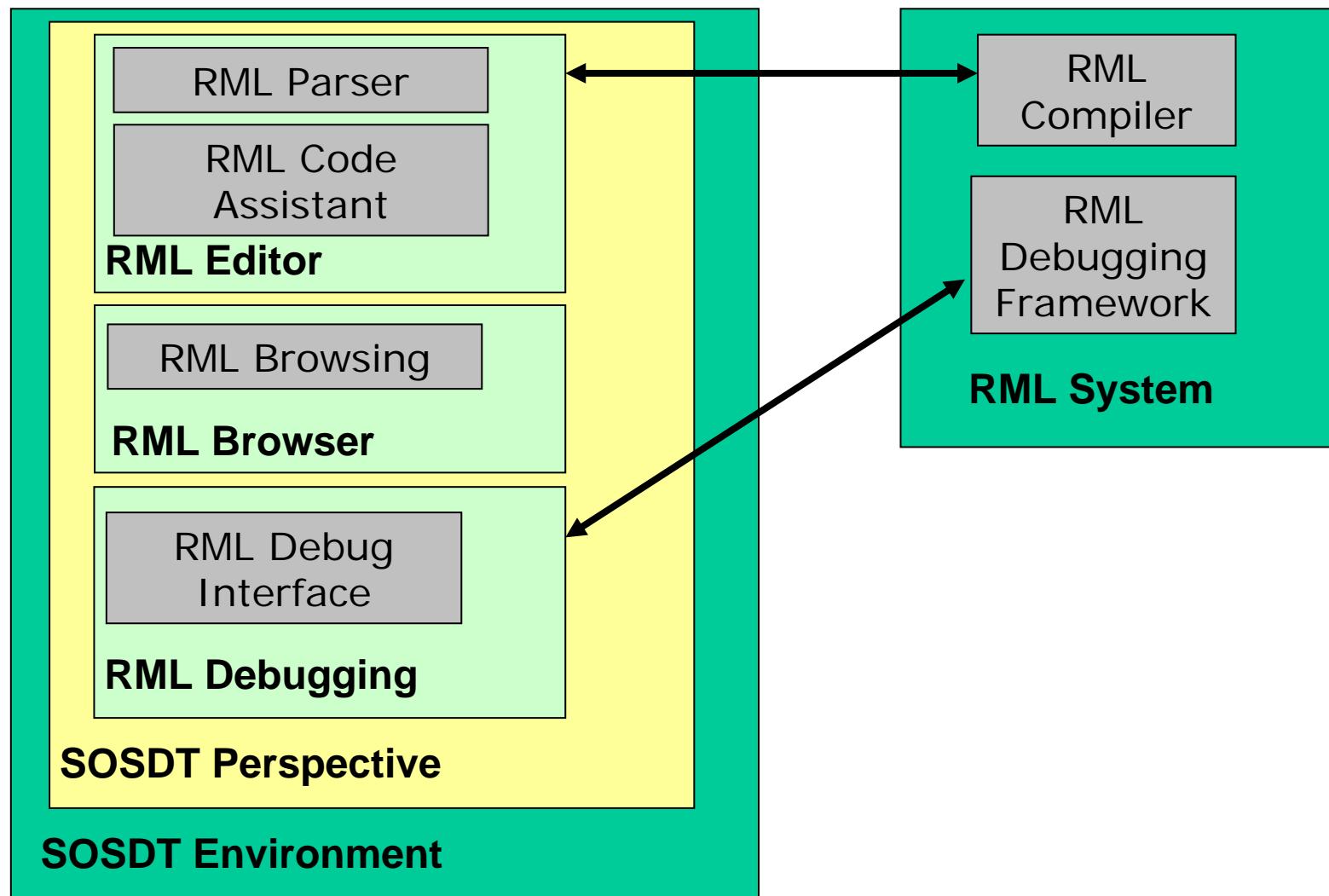
The Need for RML Integrated Environment

- Facilitate language learning and specification development
 - easy creation of RML projects and modules
 - easy discovery of errors
 - browsing, code highlighting and assistance
 - debugging (step, run, stop and inspect features)
 - code refactorings
- Large specifications are hard to develop
 - Example: The OpenModelica compiler for Modelica
 - 43 packages
 - 57083 lines of code
 - 4054 relations
 - 132 data structures

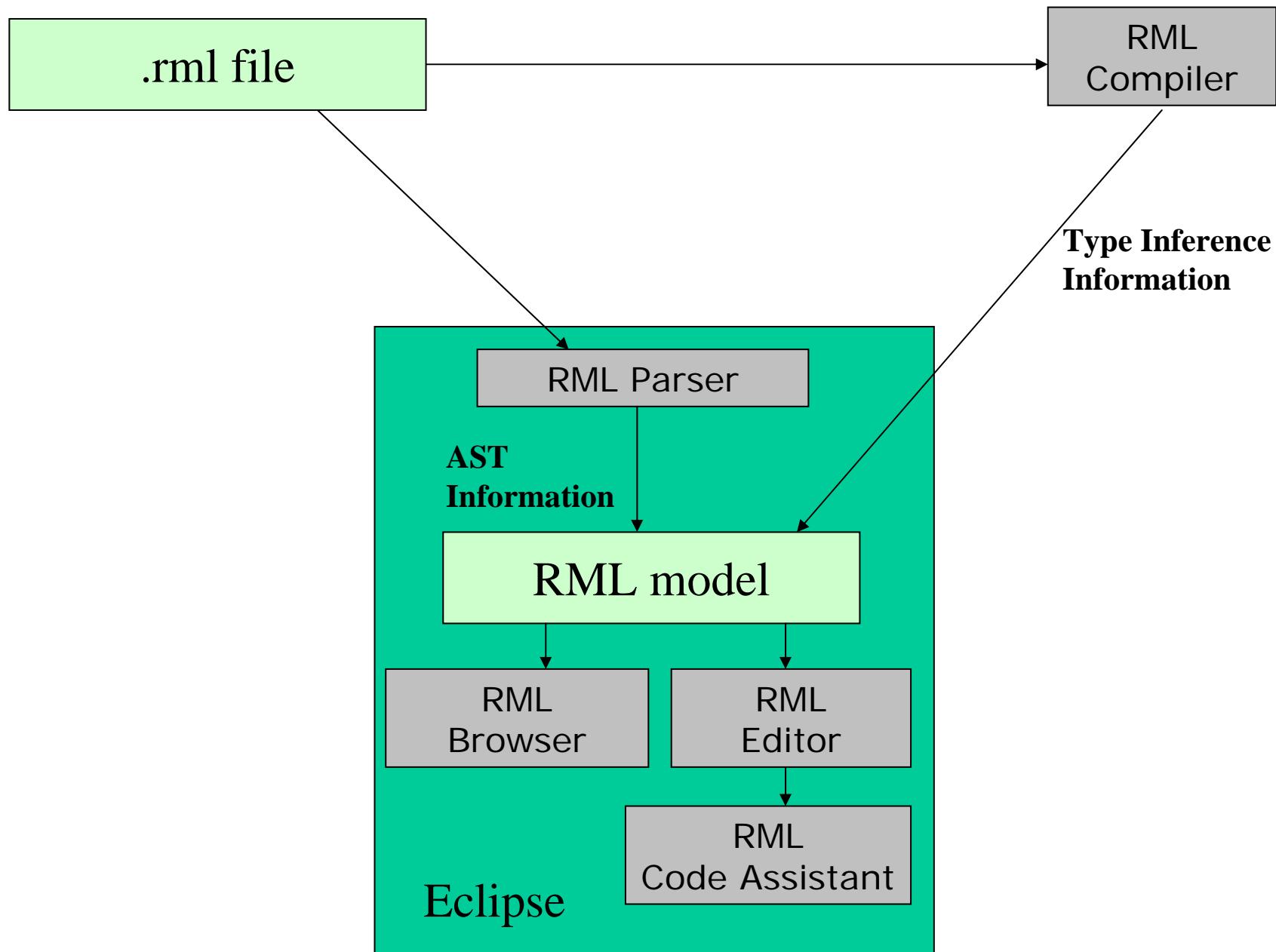
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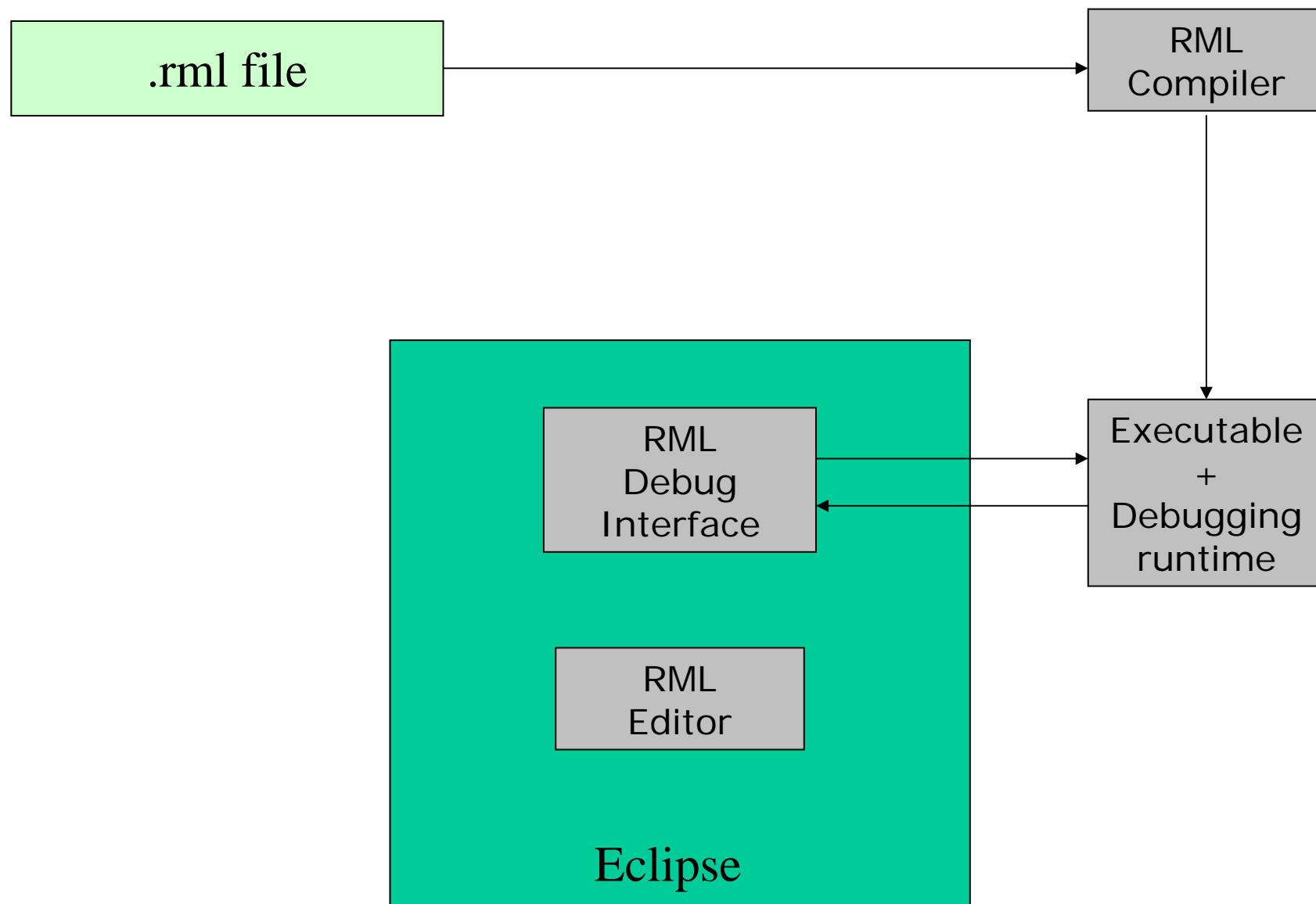
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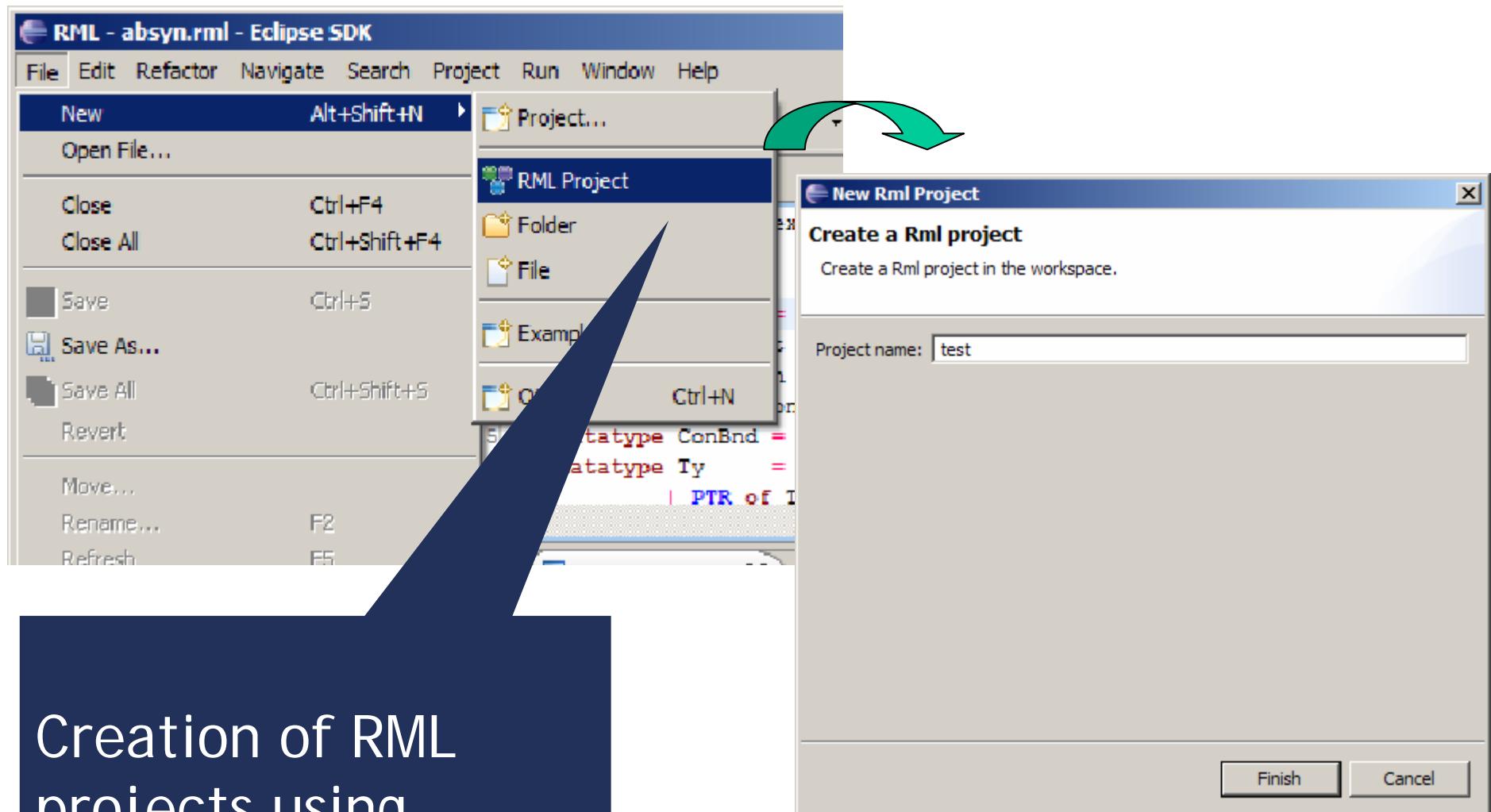
The RML Eclipse Environment - Overview (II)



The RML Eclipse Environment - Overview (III)

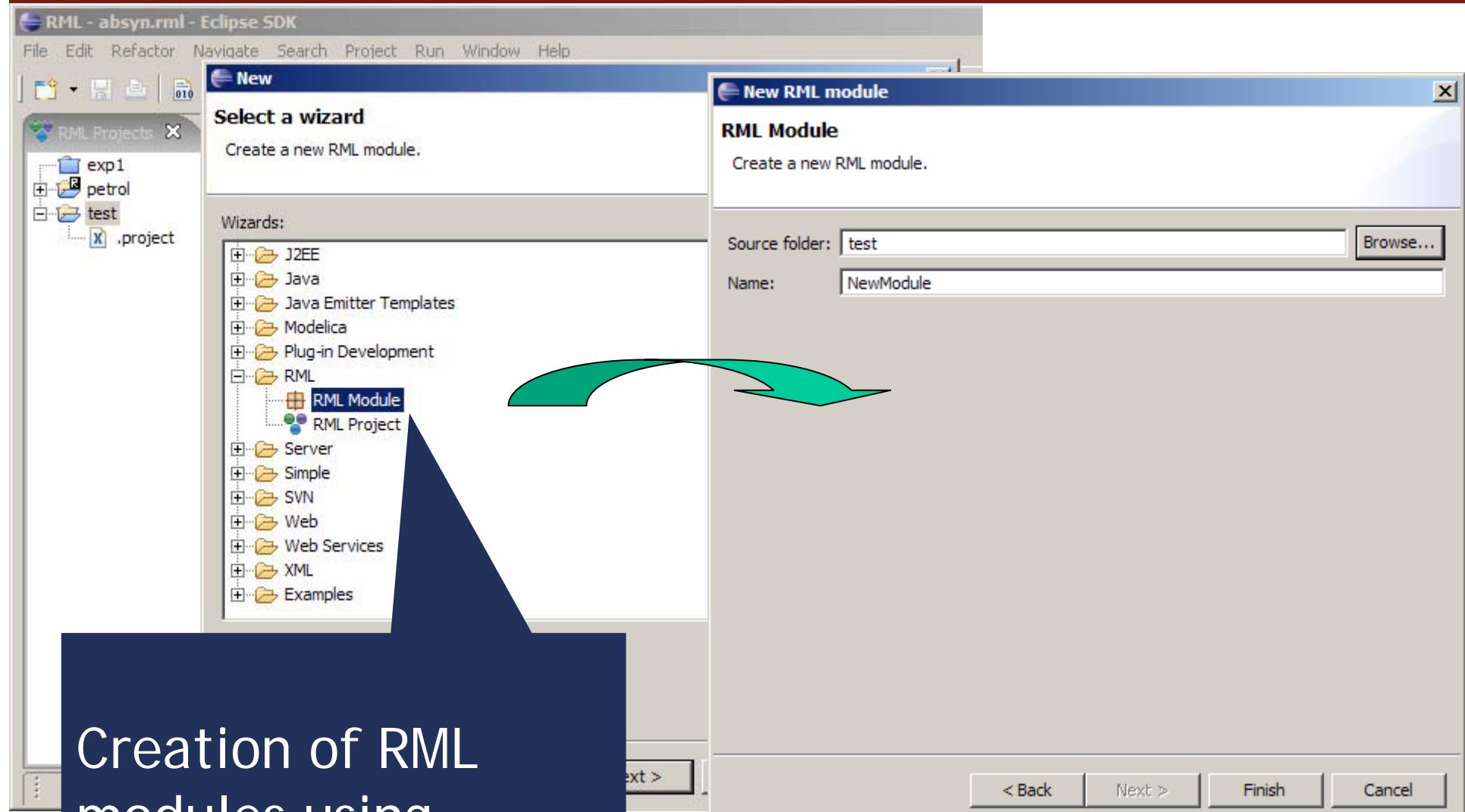


Creating RML projects



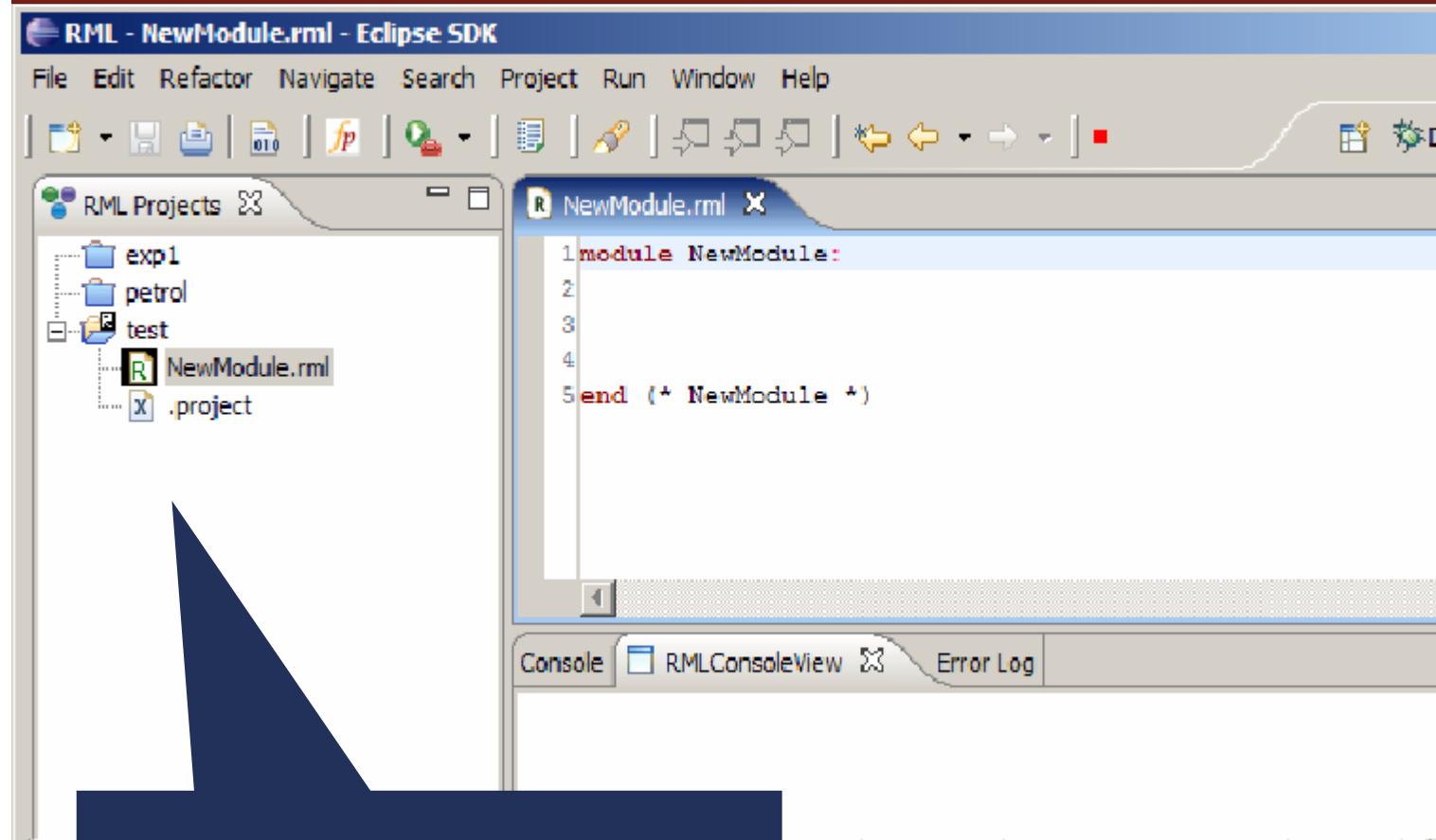
Creation of RML
projects using
wizards

Creating RML modules (I)



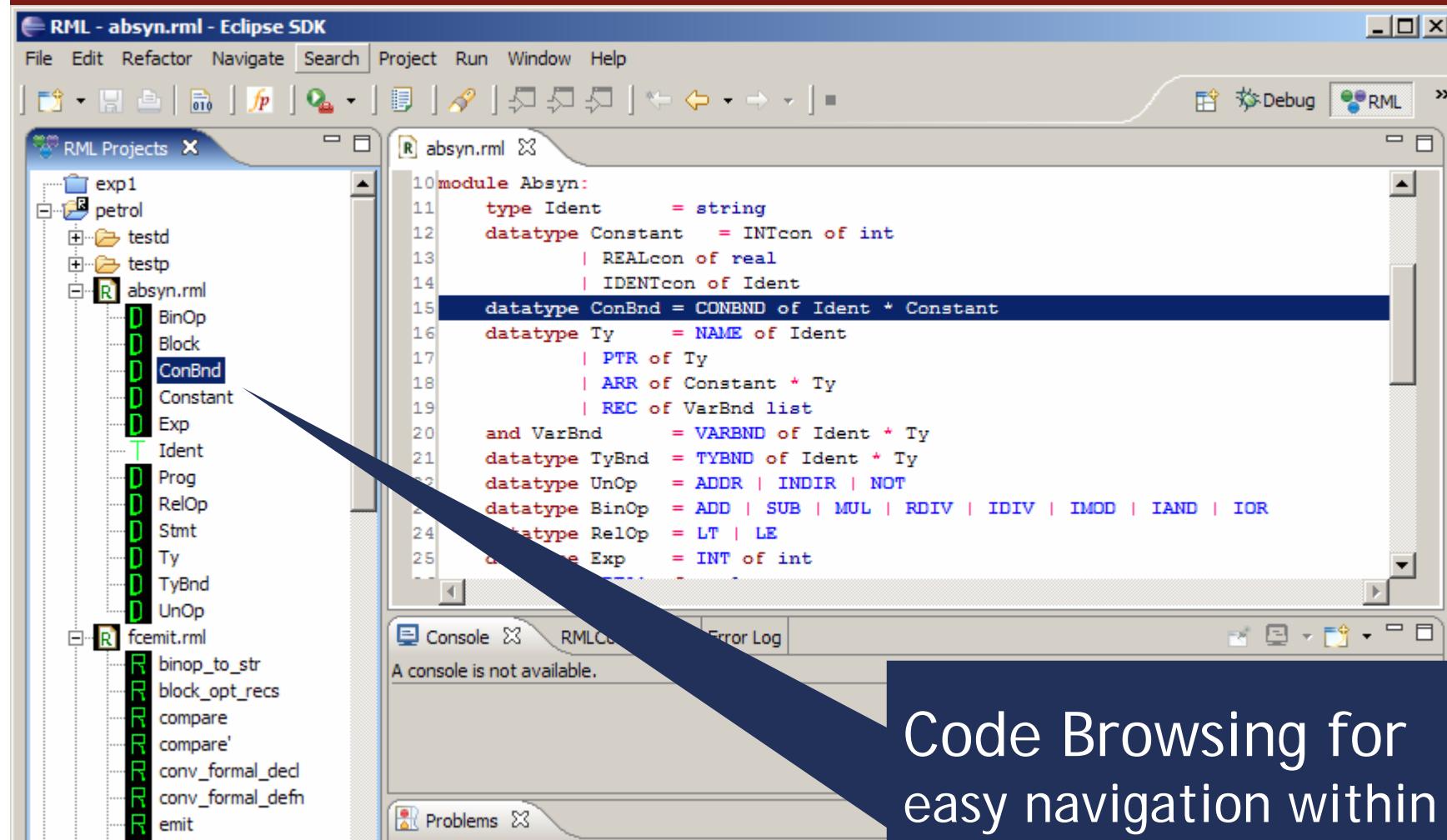
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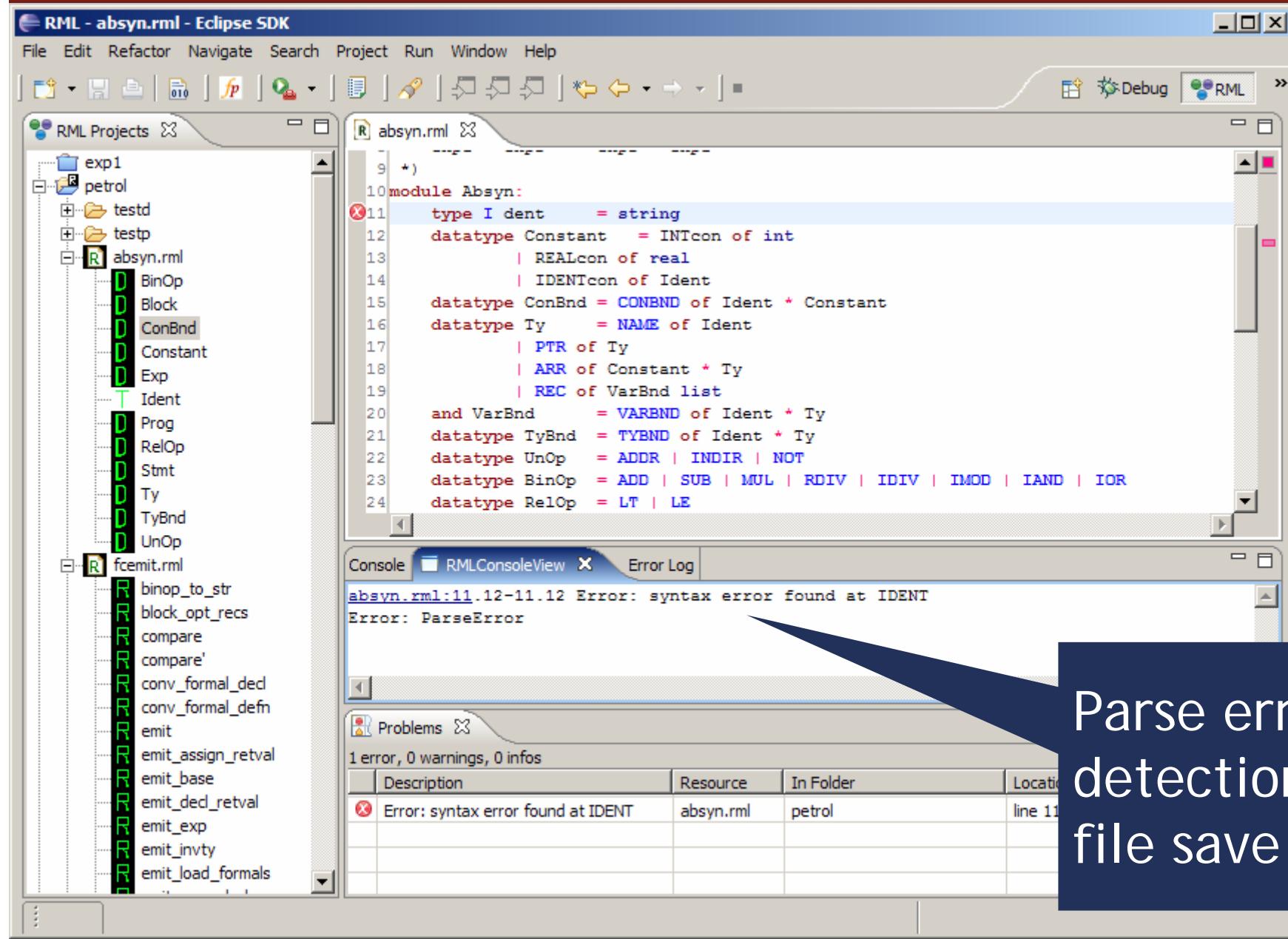
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Code browsing



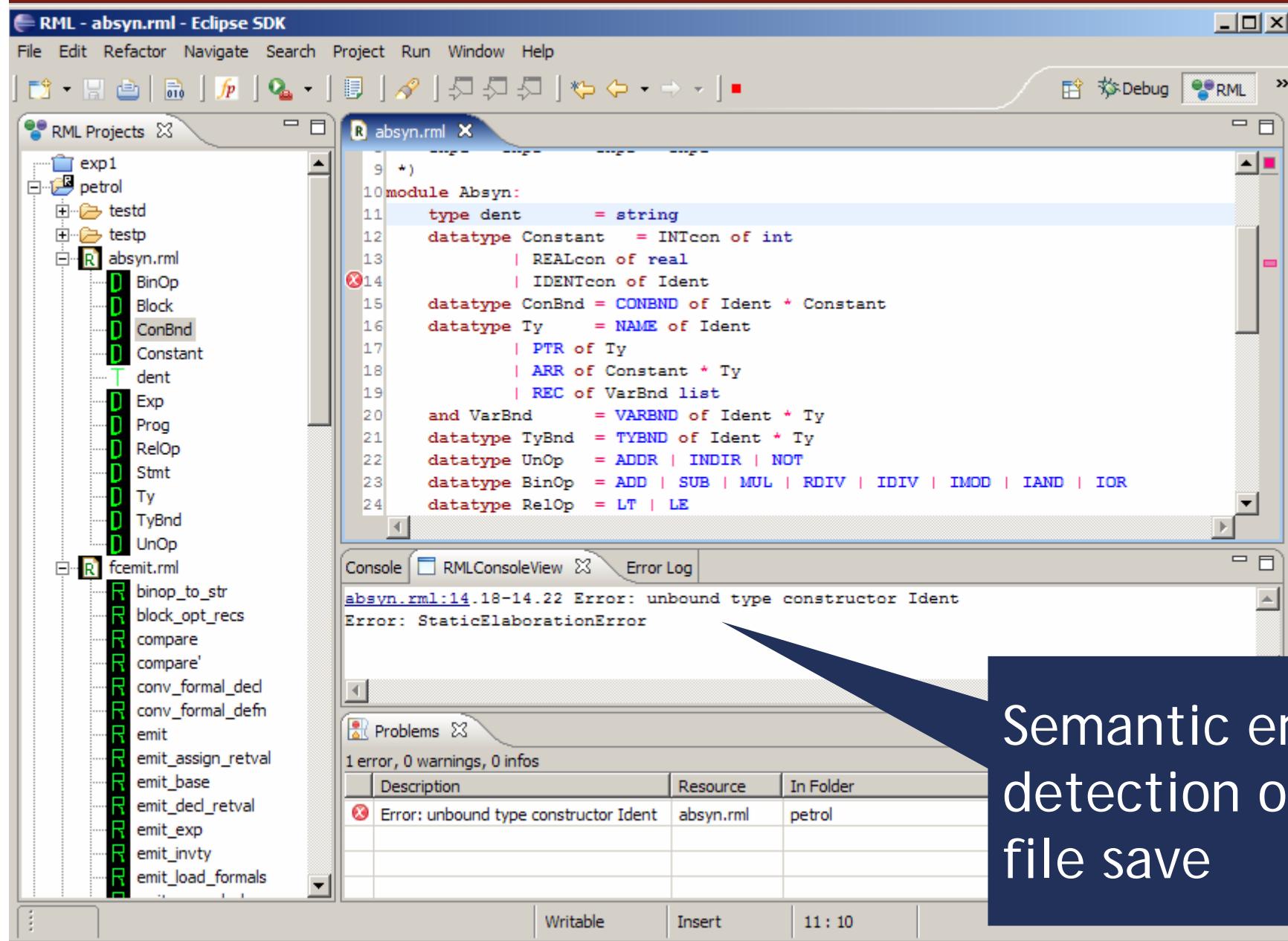
Code Browsing for
easy navigation within
large RML files.
Automatic update on
file save.

Error detection (I)



Parse error
detection on
file save

Error detection (II)



Semantic error
detection on
file save

Conclusions and Future work

- Conclusions
 - first prototype of RML Eclipse Environment
 - project and file management
 - code browsing and assistance
 - integrated debugging
- Future Work
 - a lot of bug fixing
 - code folding (comments, relations, etc)
 - refactorings (AST refactorings)
 - better code checking
 - faster debugging
 - more code assistance
 - code templates
 - better integration with the RML compiler

Demo

Thank you!
Questions?

RML: <http://www.ida.liu.se/~pelab/rml>

SOSDT: <http://www.ida.liu.se/~adrpo/sosdt>