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# The SystemC TLM 2.0 Draft 1 Kit

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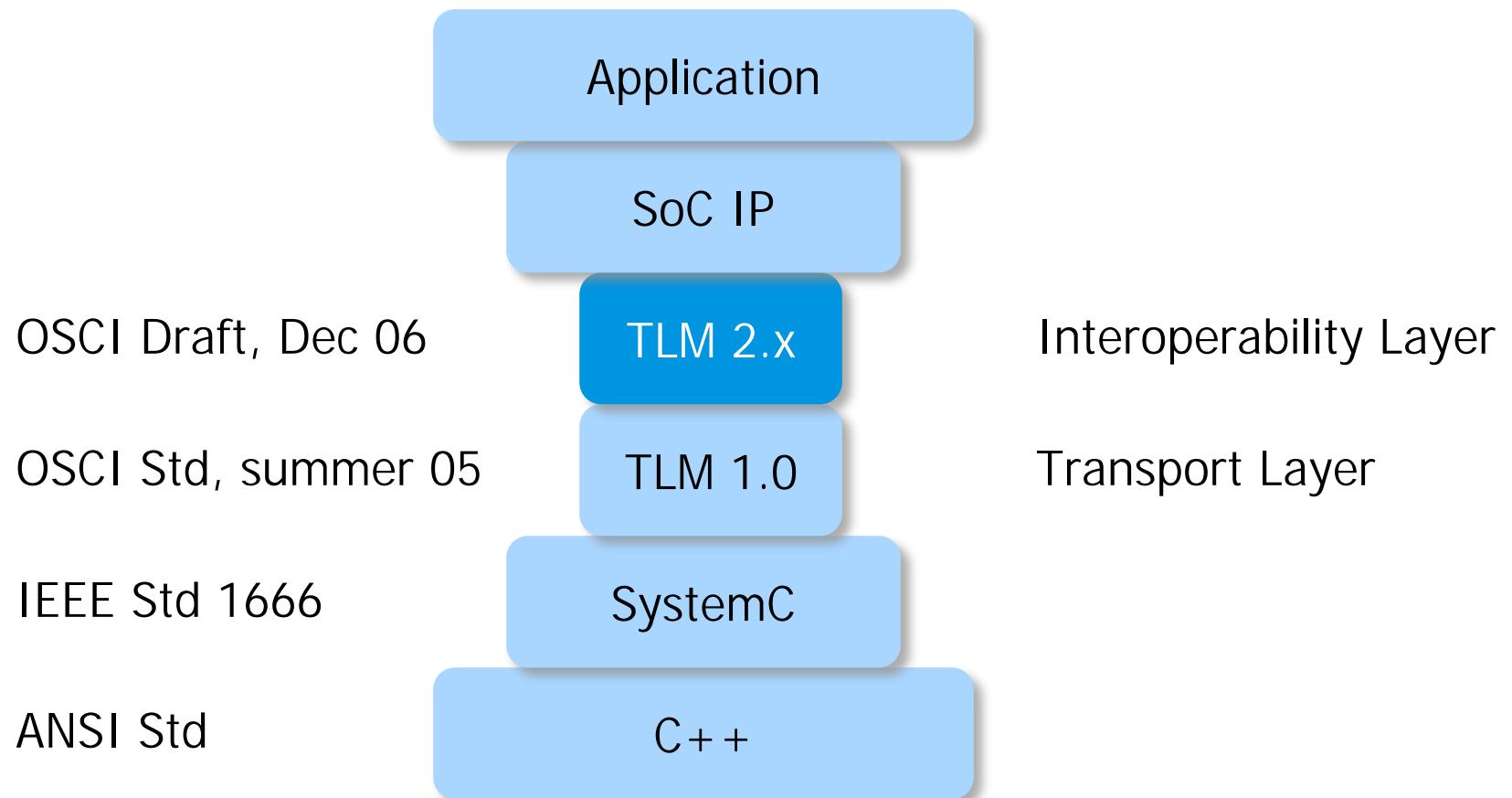
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# Layered Standards



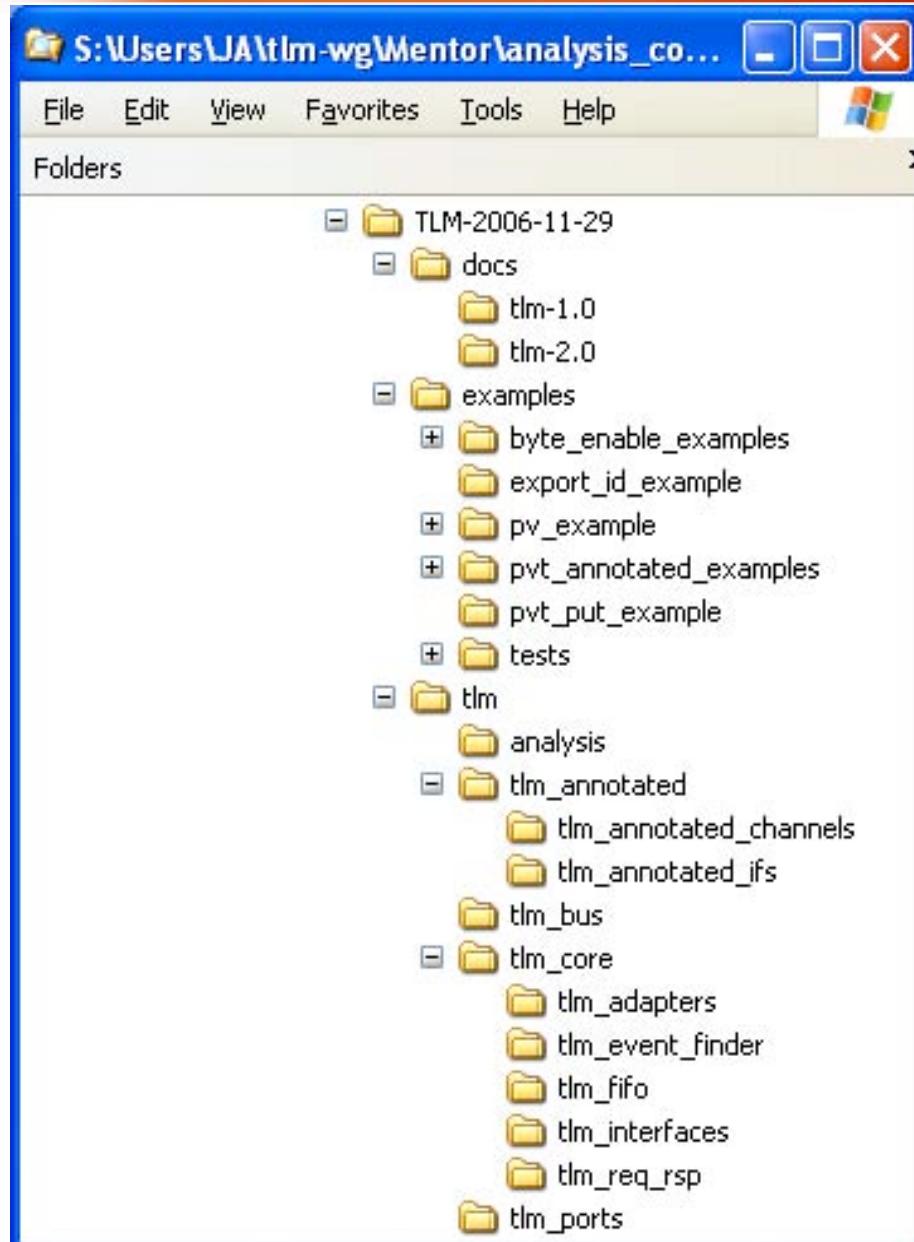


# OSCI TLM 2.x Agenda

- Timing annotation on core interfaces
  - Generic payloads for memory-mapped busses
  - Analysis ports
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- Cycle accurate modeling
  - Debug interface
  - Configuration interface
  - Interrupt modeling
  - Memory map and register modeling
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+ TLM\_2.0\_Overview.pdf

History  
Empty

TLM2.0 examples  
Includes Powerpoint

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(Method of) Core TLM Interface      TLM Transaction

```
put( transaction );
```

- TLM transaction only valid for duration of function call
  - (system transaction sliced-and-diced into independent chunks) ...
  - ... except for pass-by-pointer mode



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# Payloads for Memory-Mapped Busses

- Generic payloads `tlm_request` and `tlm_response`
- Use for generic PV and PVT modeling whenever possible
- Use standard interpretation for fields whenever possible
- Use custom extension mechanism only when necessary
- Use as starting point for specific protocol implementation

# tlm\_request

```
template<typename ADDRESS, typename DATA, ...>
class tlm_request { ...
    tlm_command           m_command;
    tlm_mode              m_mode;
    ADDRESS               m_address;
    DATA                  *m_data;                      // deep copy
    unsigned int           m_block_size;            // size of data array
    const unsigned int    *m_byte_enable;           // may be null
    unsigned int           m_byte_enable_period;    // size of byte en array
    tlm_block_mode        m_block_mode;
    unsigned int           m_block_address_incr;   // bytes-per-word
    unsigned int           m_priority;
    unsigned int           m_master_thread_id;
    unsigned int           m_transaction_id;
    unsigned int           m_tlm_export_id;         // identifies target export
    std::vector<tlm_custom_base*>
                           *m_custom_vector_ptr; } ; // custom extensions
```

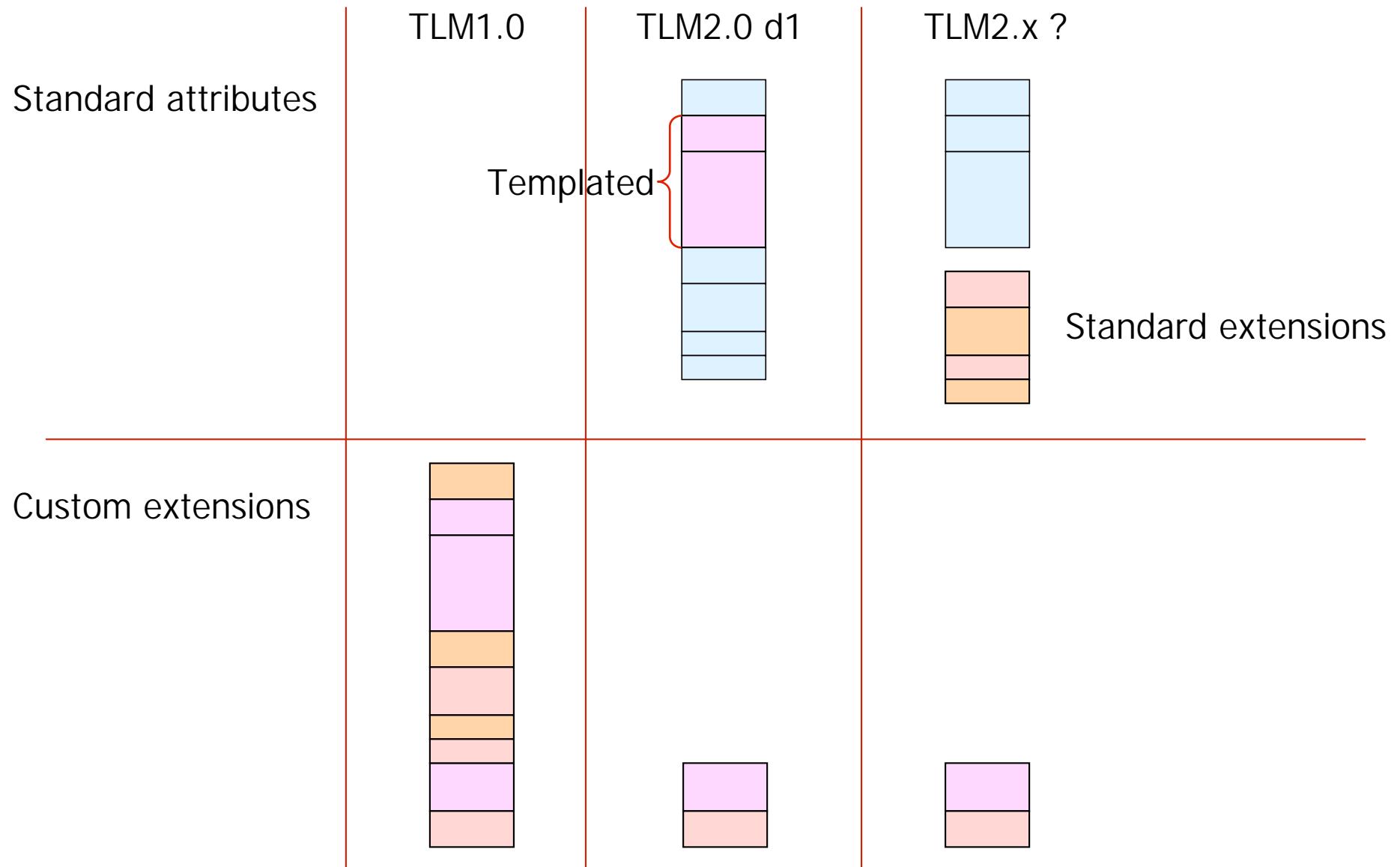


# tlm\_response

```
template<typename DATA, ...>
class tlm_response { ...
protected:
    DATA          *m_data;
    unsigned int   m_block_size;
    tlm_status     m_status;
    unsigned int   m_priority;
    unsigned int   m_master_thread_id;
    unsigned int   m_transaction_id;
    unsigned int   m_tlm_export_id;
    std::vector<tlm_custom_base *>
                    *m_custom_vector_ptr;
};
```

Public get/set methods

# Approaches to Interoperability





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# TLM 2.0 Core Interfaces

## Untimed

Bidirectional  
Blocking

```
void transport(  
    const REQ&, RSP&);
```

## Timed

```
void transport(  
    const REQ&, RSP&, sc_time&);
```

Unidirectional  
Blocking

```
void put(const T&);  
void get(T&);  
void peek(T&);
```

```
void nb_transport( const REQ&, RSP&);  
rsp includes delay or event
```

Unidirectional  
Non-Blocking

```
bool nb_put(const T&);  
bool nb_can_put();  
sc_event &ok_to_put();
```

```
bool nb_get(T&);  
bool nb_can_get();  
sc_event &ok_to_get();
```

```
bool nb_peek(T&);
```

```
...
```

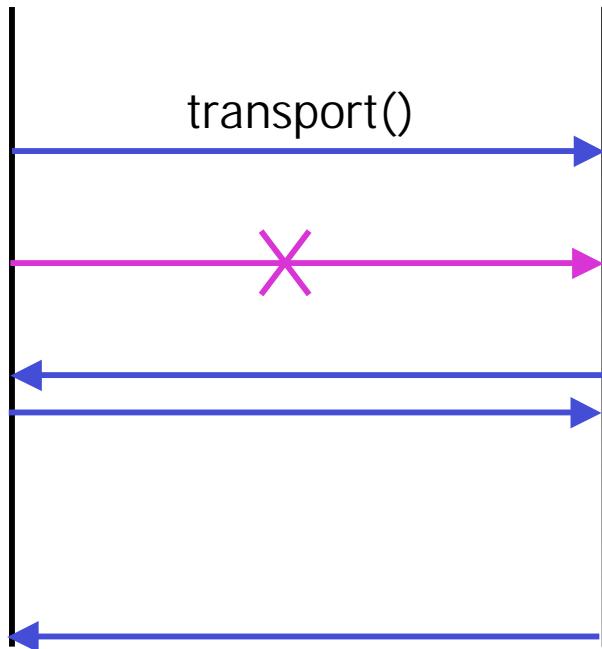
```
bool nb_put(const T&, const sc_time&);  
bool nb_can_put(const sc_time&);
```

```
bool nb_get(T&, const sc_time&);  
bool nb_can_get(const sc_time&);
```

# Transport Interface with Explicit Timing

PV Initiator

PV Target



PV target model

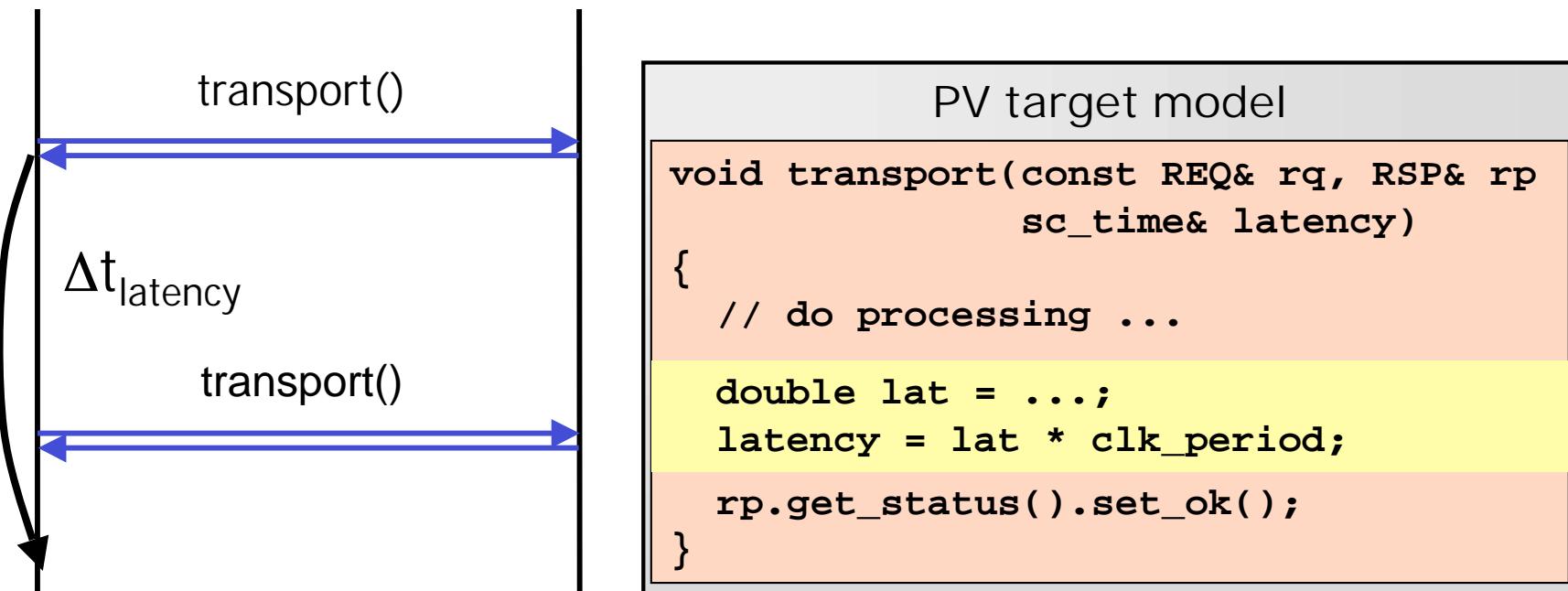
```

void transport(const REQ& rq, RSP& rp)
{
    // do processing
    // ...
    unsigned int latency = ...;
    wait(latency * clk_period);
    rp.get_status().set_ok();
}
  
```

- Initiation interval  $\geq$  latency

# Transport Interface with Timing Annotation

PV Initiator                  PV Target

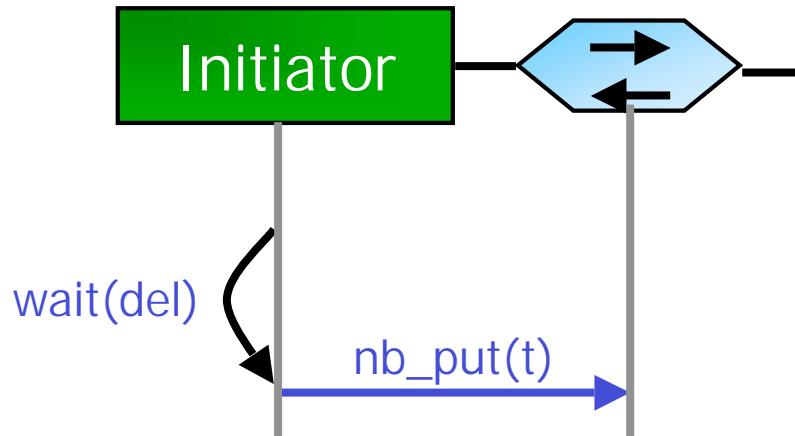


- Benefits:
  - Not calling wait => fast
  - Flexible - initiation interval < latency
  - Defers realization of timing

# Explicit versus Implicit Timing

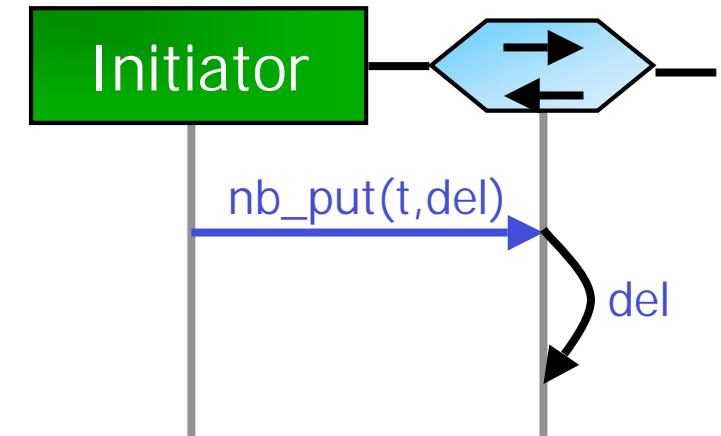
Compare

```
wait(del);  
nb_put(t);
```



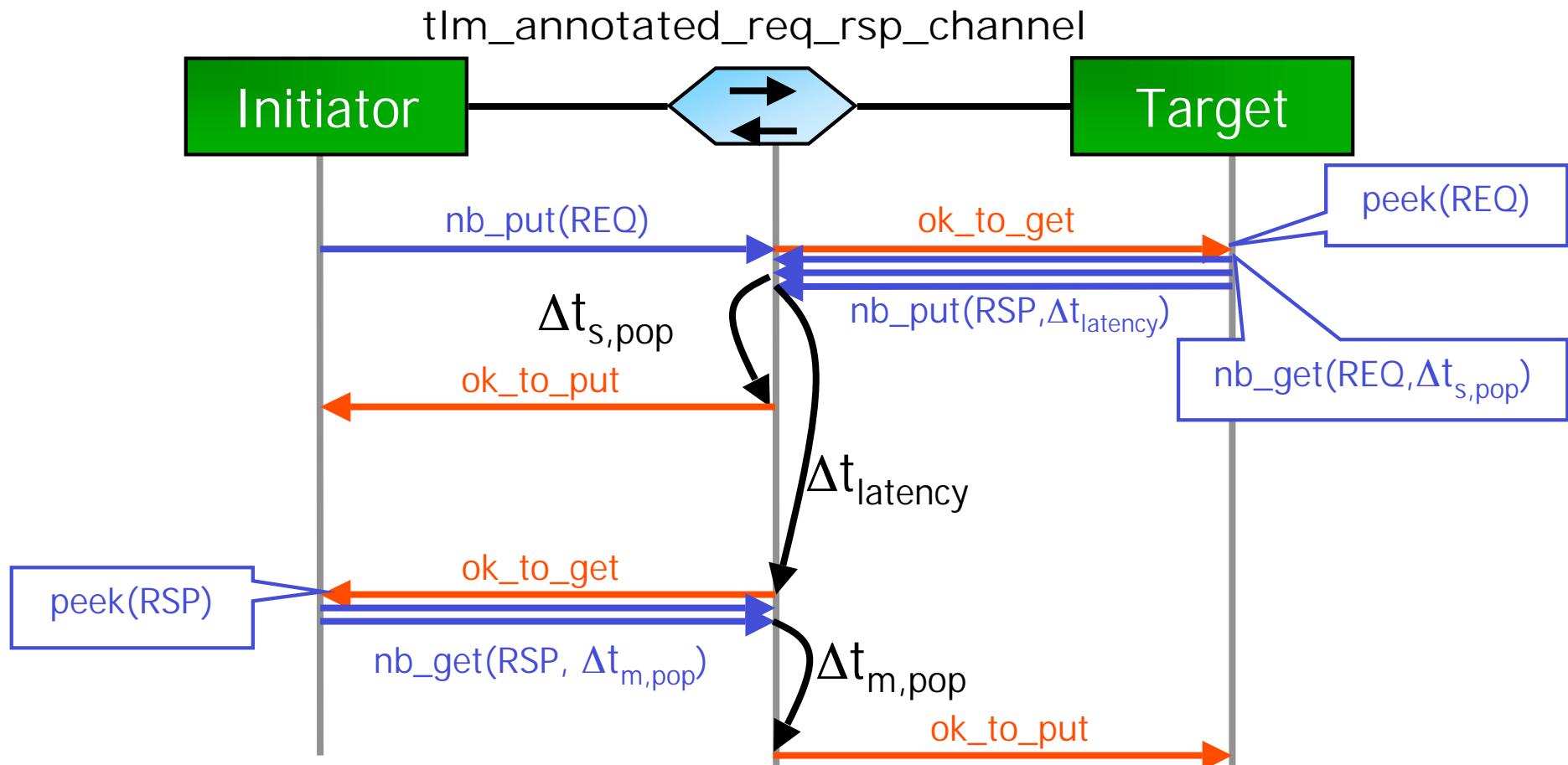
Conceptually,  
a delay in the initiator

```
nb_put(t,del);
```



No context switch!

# Put/Get Interface with Timing Annotation





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