

PRINCE OF SONGKLA UNIVERSITY
FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

Midterm Examination: Semester 1

Academic Year: 2004-2005

Date: 4th August 2004

Time: 9.00-12.00 (3 hours)

Subject Number: 240-572

Room: R 300

Subject Title: Introduction to High Level Architecture and Creating Computer Simulation Systems

Exam Duration: 3 hours

This paper has 3 pages and 2 questions. (Total marks: 100 marks)

Authorised Materials:

- Writing instruments (e.g. pens, pencils).
- This is an open-book exam: books, sheets and dictionaries are allowed.
- NO electronic devices are allowed: calculators, mobile phones, electronic dictionaries are NOT allowed.

Instructions to Students:

- Attempt all questions.
- Write your answers in an answer book.
- Start your answer to each question on a new page
- Clearly number your answers.
- Any unreadable parts will be considered wrong.

When drawing diagrams or coding, use good layout, and short comments.

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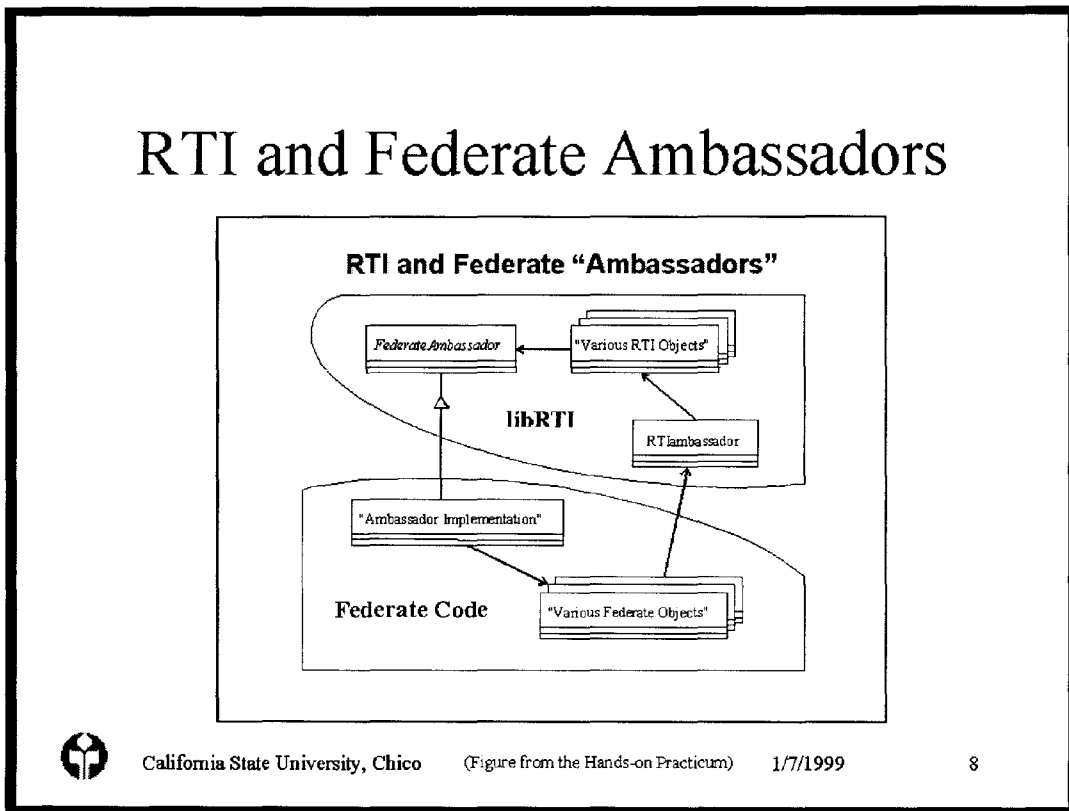
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Question 1

(50 marks; 80 minutes)

- a) What are the benefits of the High Level Architecture to distributed interactive simulations? (5 marks)
- b) What is interoperability? (5 marks)
- c) What are the differences between class-based and value-based data applications? (10 marks)
- d) Explain the terms '*time constrained*' and '*time regulating*' in HLA (10 marks)
- e) What are the differences between '*Interaction*' and '*Object*' classes in HLA? Give examples for usage. (10 marks)
- f) Illustrate and describe the different responsibilities for the federate code provided by the user and that provided by *libRTI* using the following diagram. (10 marks)



Question 2

(50 marks; 100 minutes)

From the following environments, choose one environment for simulation. Design a class hierarchy of the related objects and their attributes.

- Transportation systems: Bus system, Railway system, Airline system
 - Postal services
 - Ticket service systems
 - Mobile phone systems
 - Computer network systems
 - Traffic systems
- a) Draw block diagrams and give explanation of the HLA federation from the chosen system. (10 marks)
- b) Draw a *class hierarchy* with some example attributes from the chosen system. (5 marks)
- c) Draw a *Venn diagram* from the chosen system. (5 marks)
- d) Draft tables in the HLA *Object Model Template (OMT)* to give the design of data distribution of the federation from the chosen system. (10 marks)
- e) Explain *interest expression* and *description expression* by giving example name spaces from the chosen system. (10 marks)
- f) Explain the *alternate approach* and *extensibility* or *Type Promotion* in the HLA's Data Distribution by giving examples from the chosen system. (10 marks)

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