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Better than Hand – Generating Highly Optimized Code using Simulink and Embedded Coder

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Key Takeaways

1. Reduce costs by optimizing hardware resources
2. Create innovative products that maximize algorithm content
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“The advantages of Model-Based Design over hand-coding in C can’t be overestimated.” Kazuhiro Ichikawa, Ono Sokki

[Ono Sokki Reduces Development Time for Precision Automotive Speed Measurement Device](#)

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Challenges

- Difficult to embed sophisticated, state-of-the-art algorithms into low-cost production hardware
 - Limited ROM, RAM, stack, and clock speed
- Not always known a priori during design, what embedded device or resource is required
 - Need to experiment to find optimal implementation
- Hand coding is process bottleneck
 - Introduces bugs, adds delays, reduces design iterations



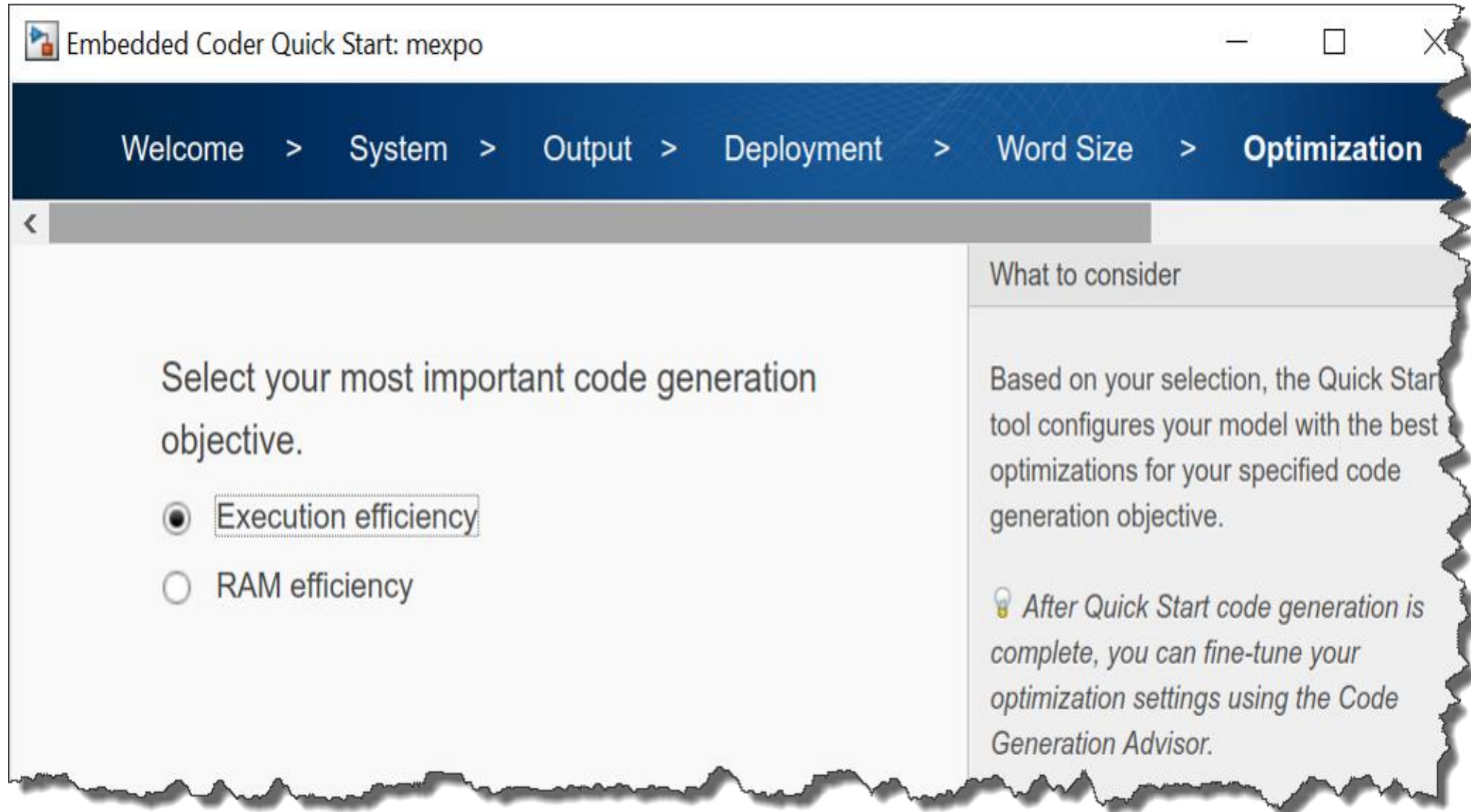
Solutions

Optimization Techniques:

1. Use optimal settings
2. Minimize data sizes
3. Target vector engines
4. Select best processor(s)
5. Reduce data copies
6. Reuse components
7. Thrift logic

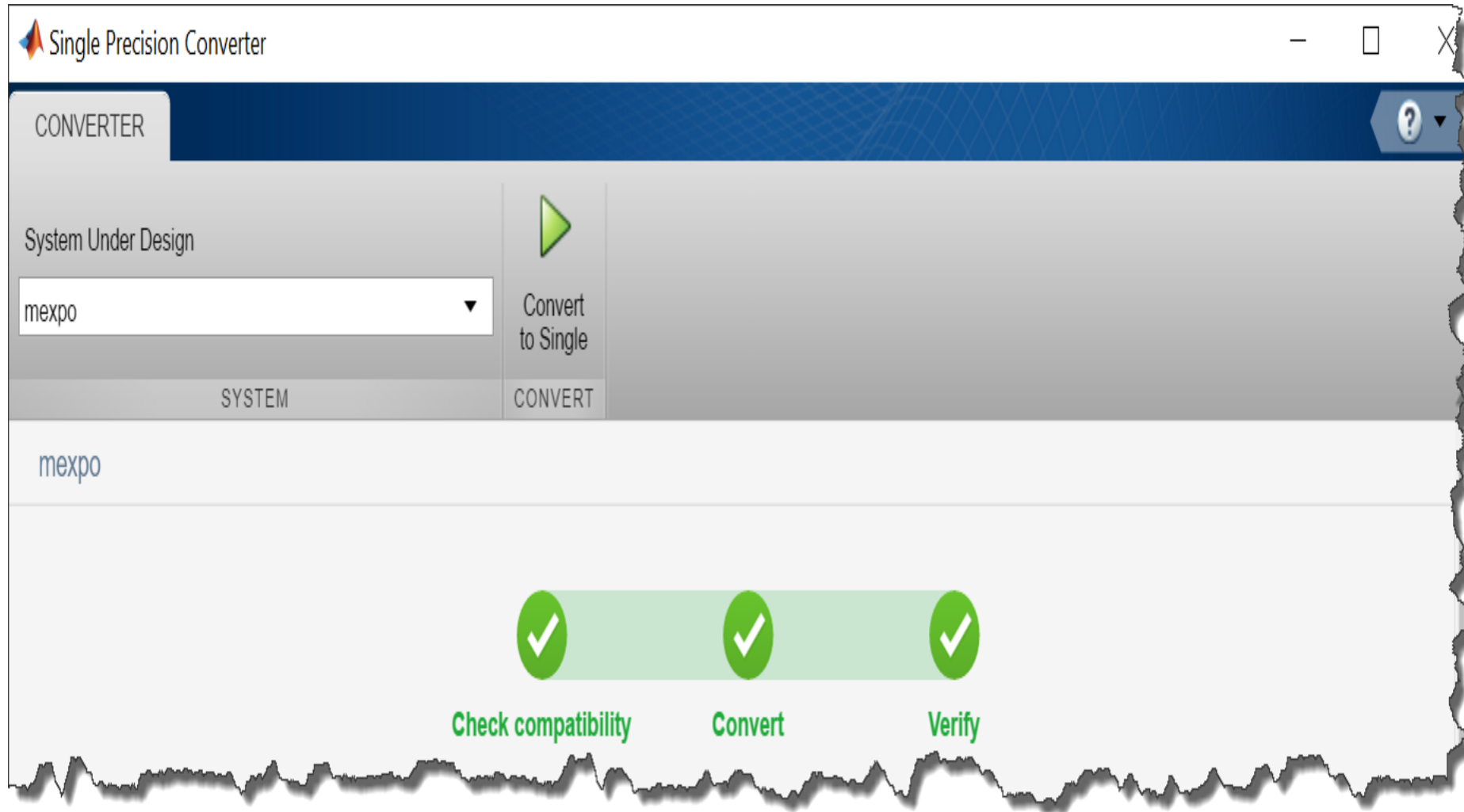


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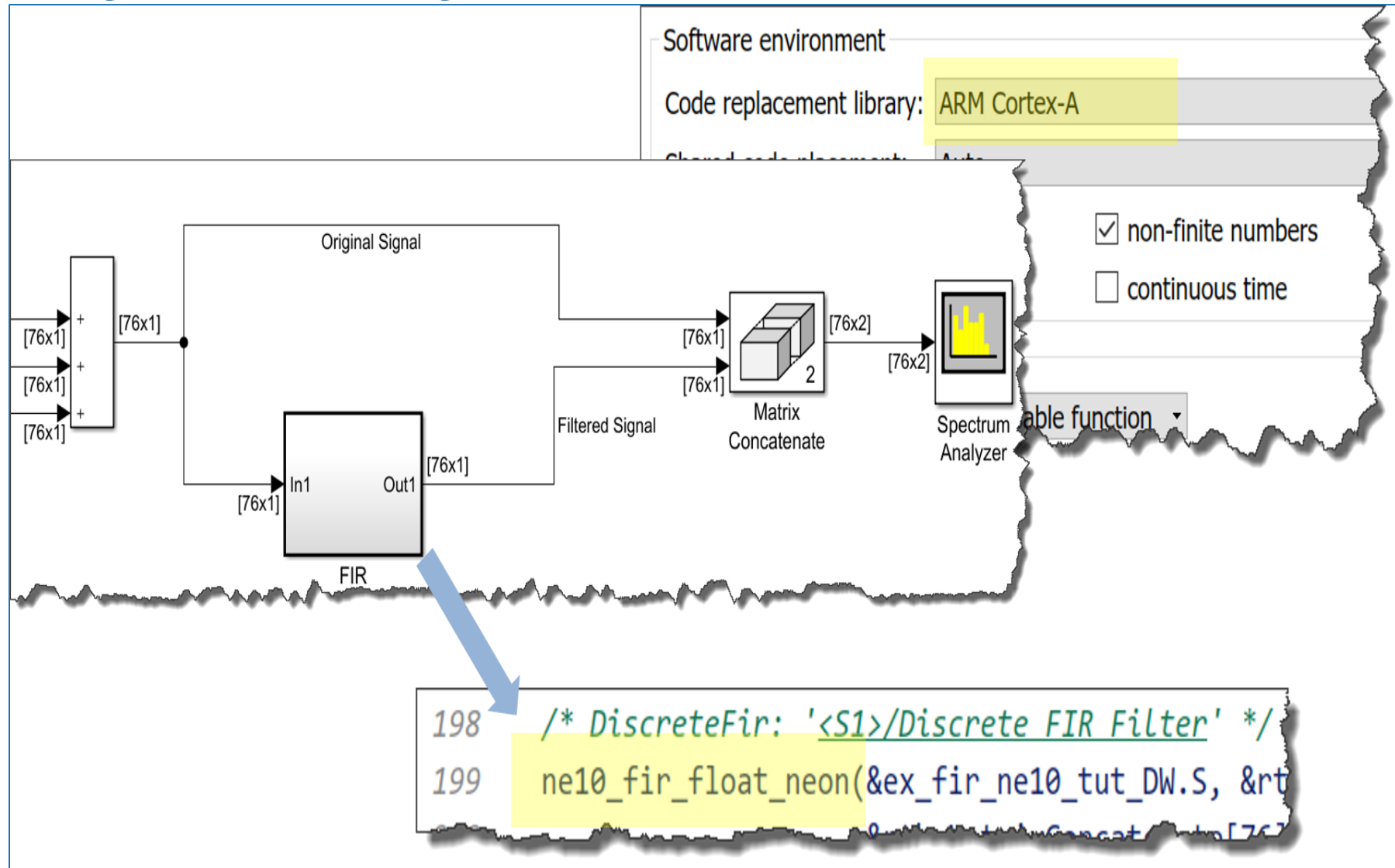
Features: Embedded Coder Quick Start

2. Optimize Data Types

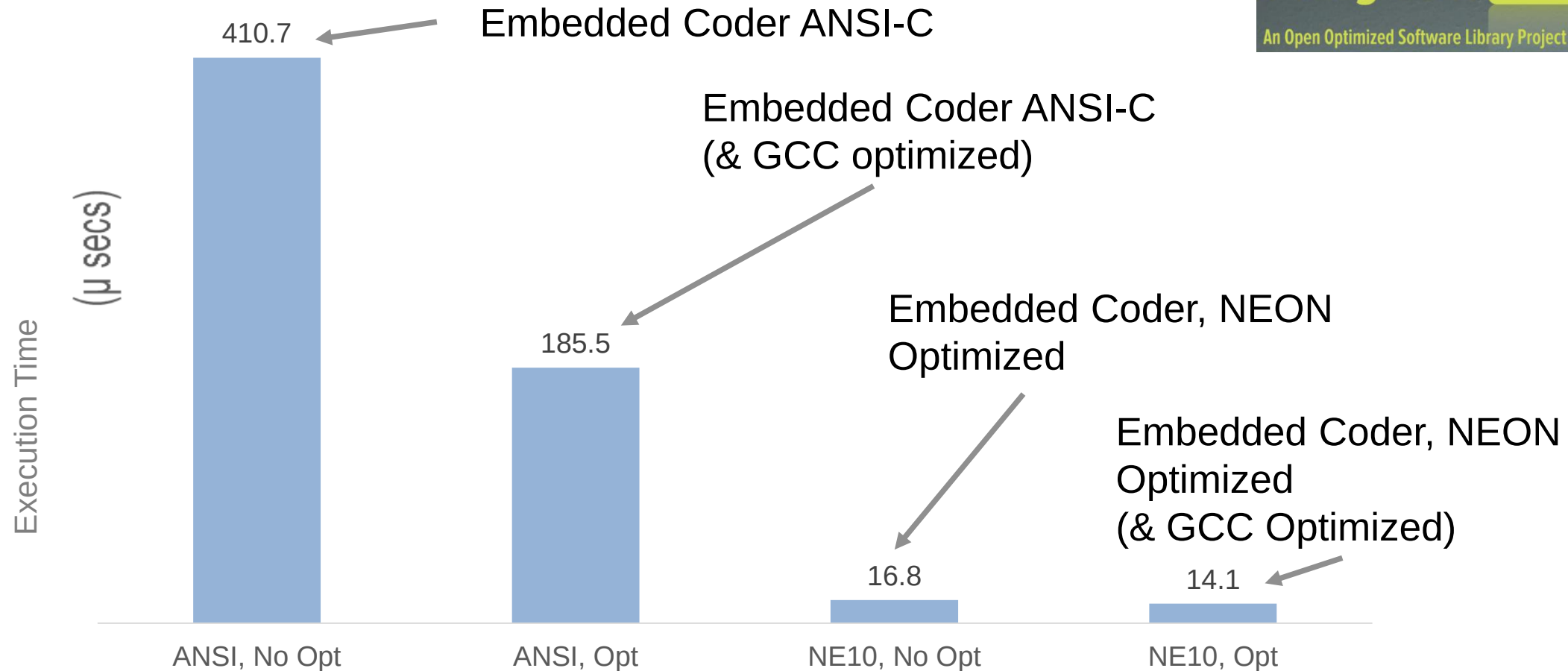


Features: Single Precision Converter

3. Target vector engines



PIL Benchmark Results for ARM Cortex-A

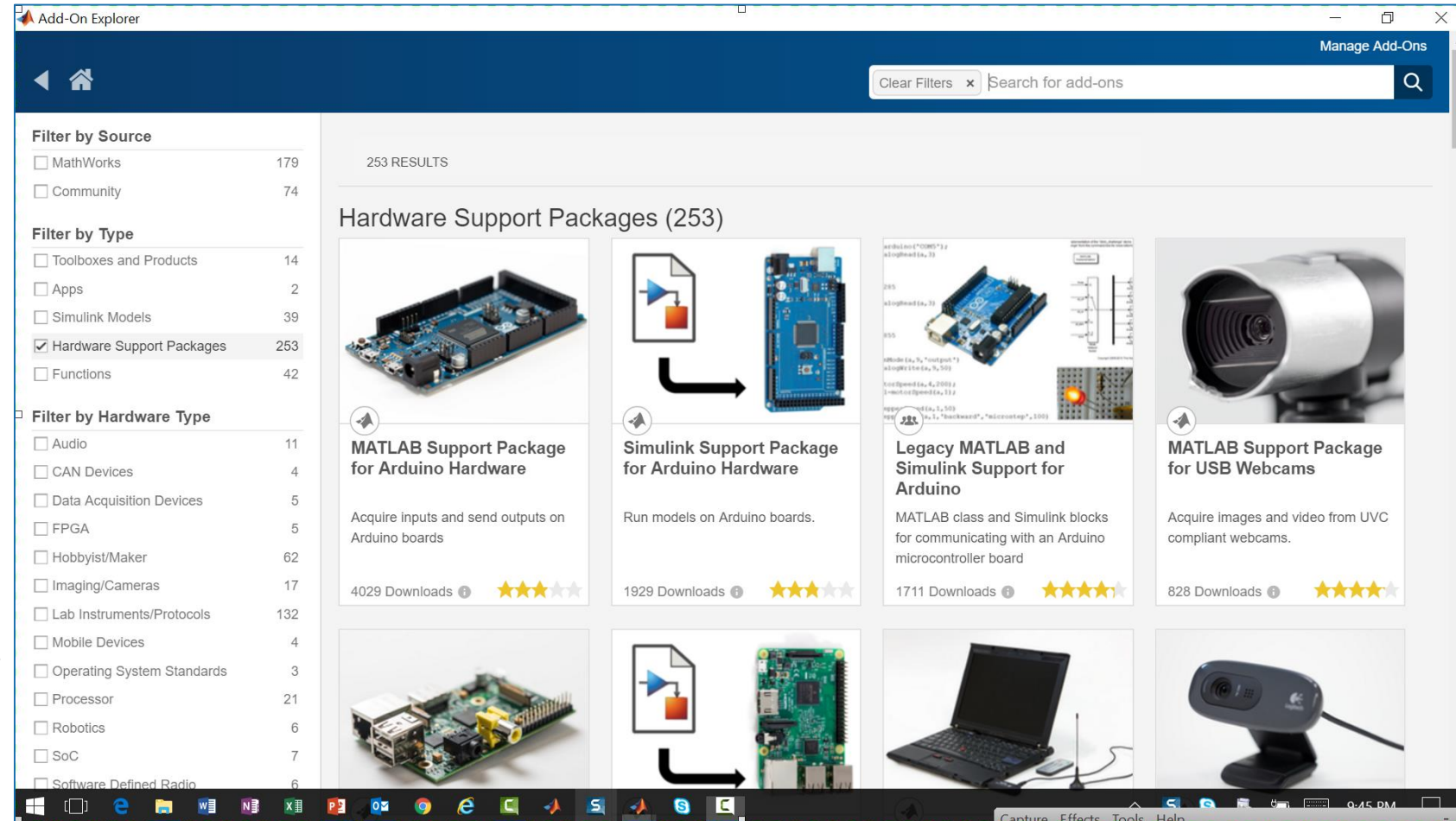


Run Format: [ANSI or Ne10], [gcc no opt or gcc -O2], ARM 1Ghz Cortex A8

Example: FIR Filter

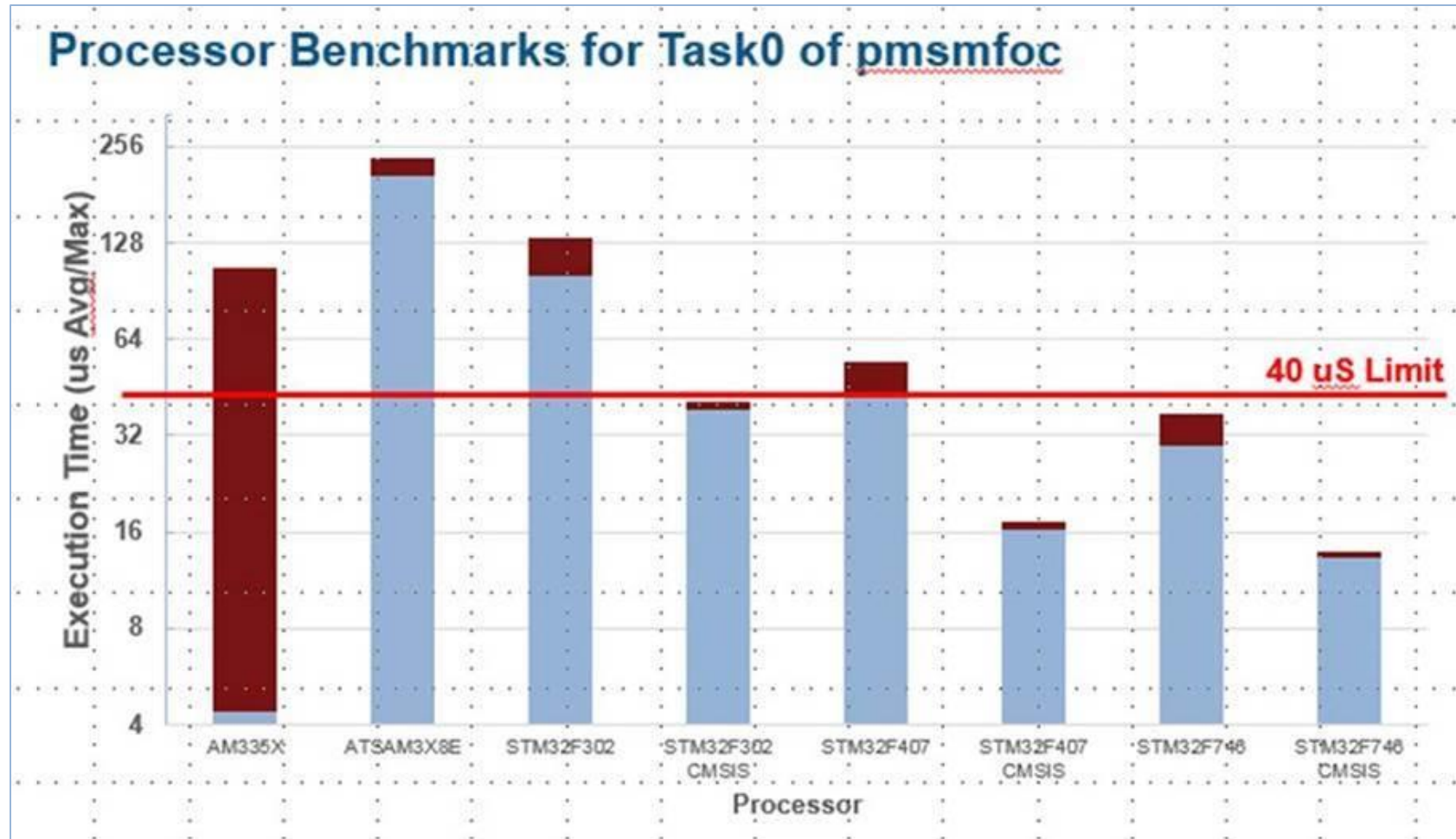
4. Select best processor(s) for your application

- Portable code: any device for **algorithm code generation**
- Support packages for **target-specific** system executable generation
 - ARM ... Zynq
- Hardware vendors offer their **own target packages**
 - ADI, Infineon, Microchip, NXP, Renesas, STMicro, TI, ...

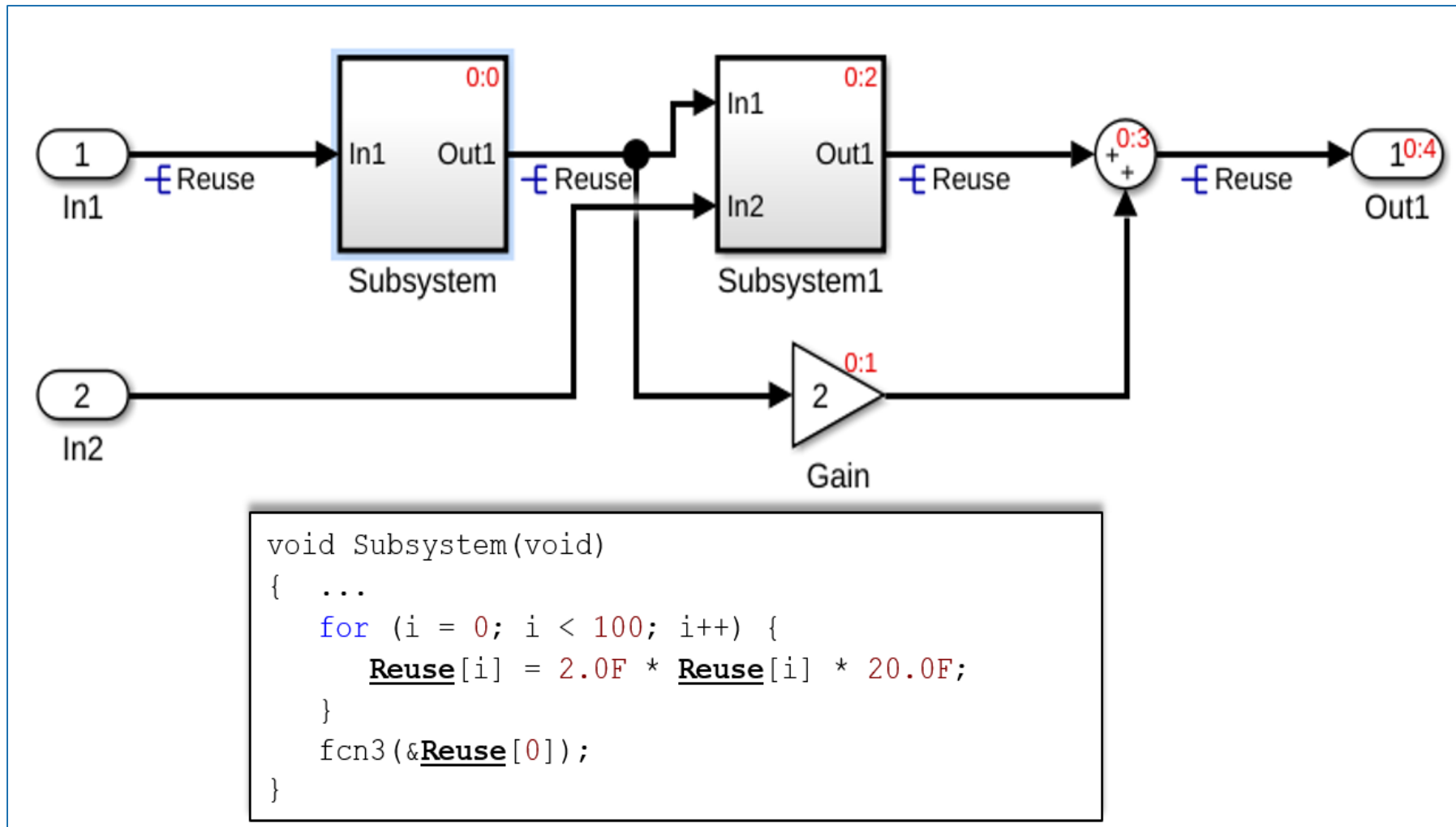


Results for PMSM Motor Control for ARM cores

- Average and Max Execution Time

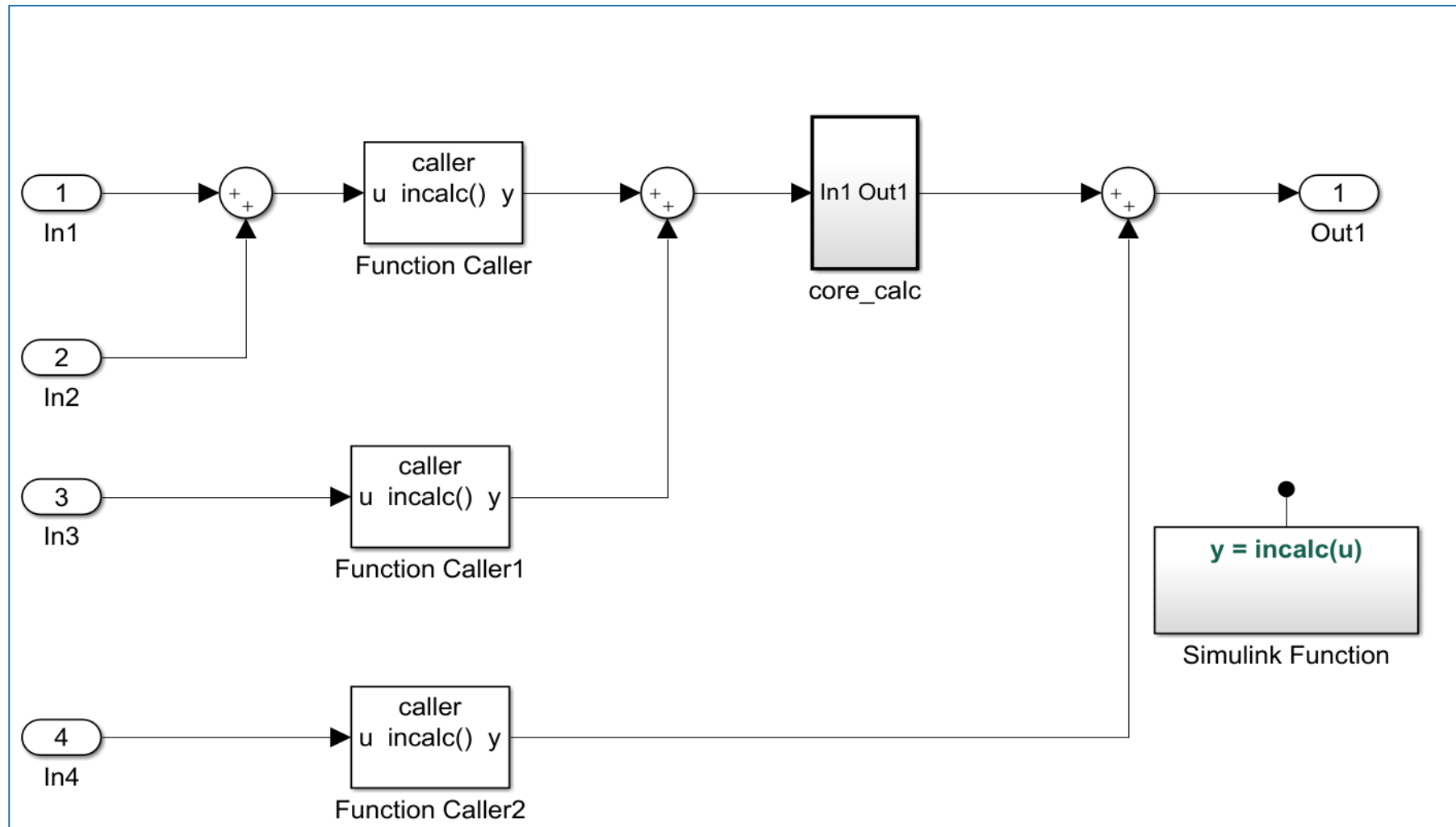


5. Reuse data



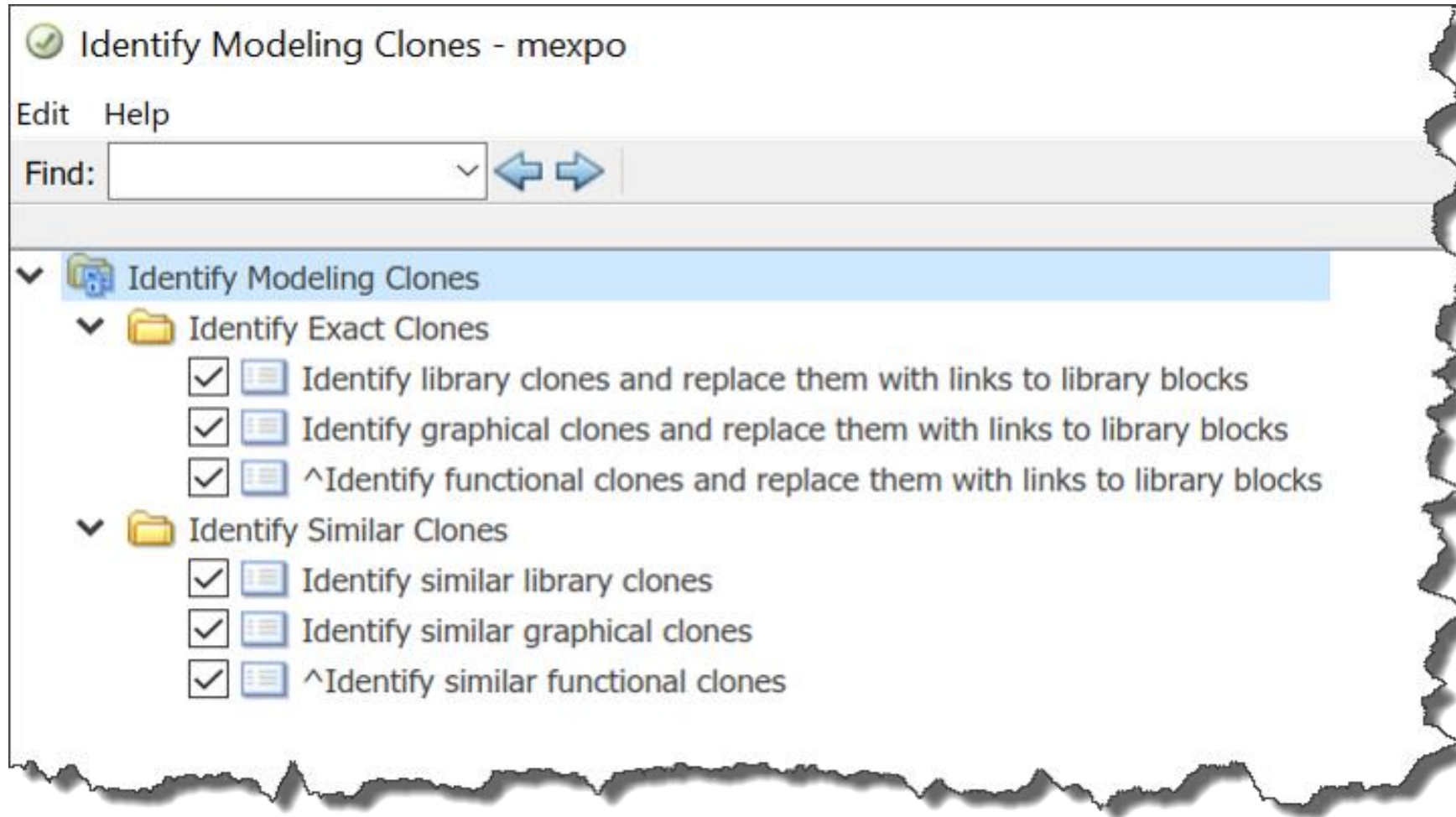
Features: Reusable Storage Classes

6. Reuse components



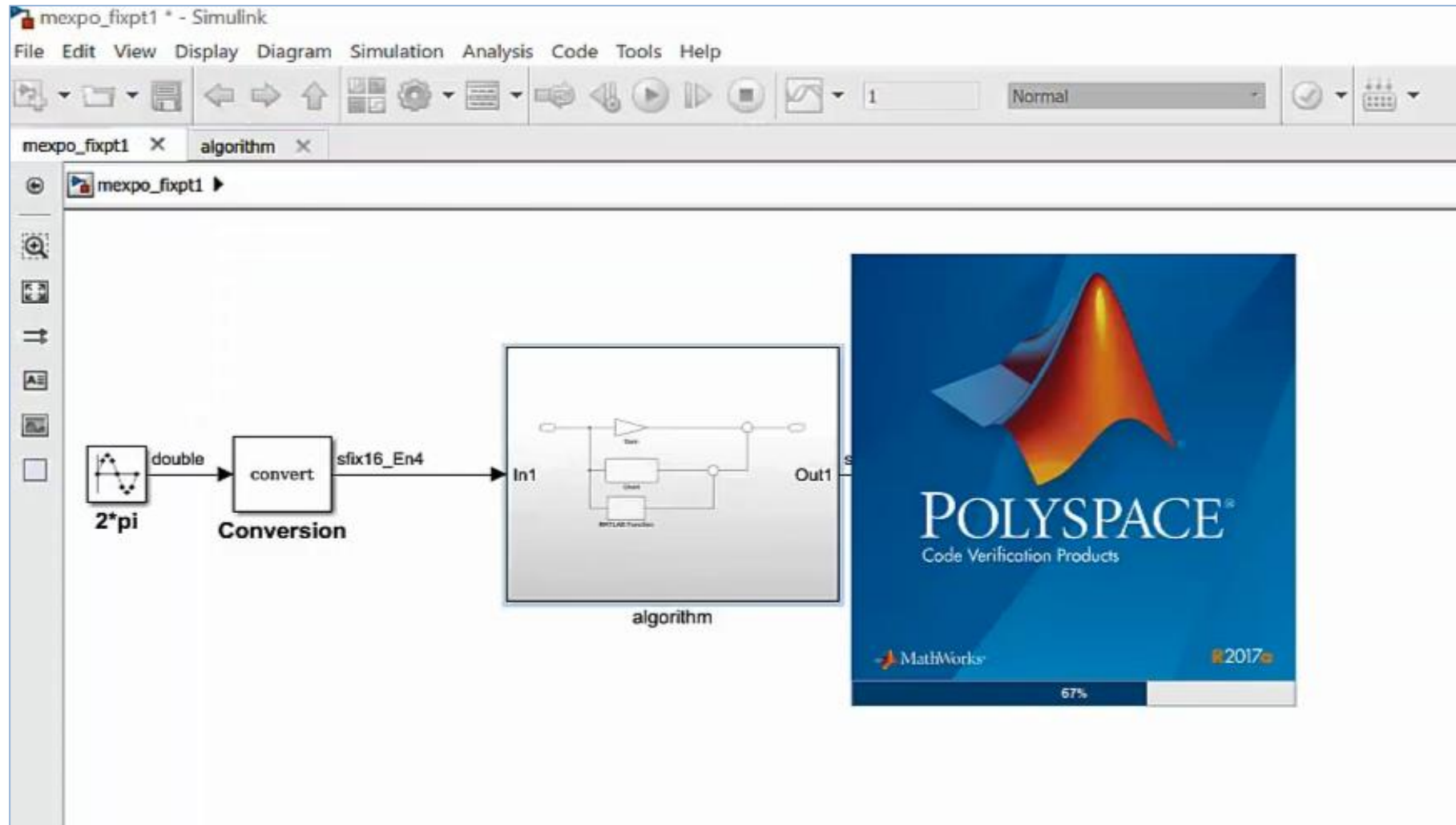
Features: Subsystem Reuse and Simulink Functions

7. Thrift Logic (Clone)



Features: Simulink Clone Detection

7. Thrift Logic (Prove)



Features: Polyspace Code Prover

Solution Summary

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“When we generated code from our Simulink models with Embedded Coder, the team we handed it off to knew it was gold”
Maria Radecki, BAE Systems

[BAE Systems Delivers DO-178B Level A Flight Software on Schedule with Model-Based Design](#)

Additional Customer References and Applications



Honeywell Aerospace, USA
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FLIR Systems, USA and Sweden
Thermal Imaging FPGA



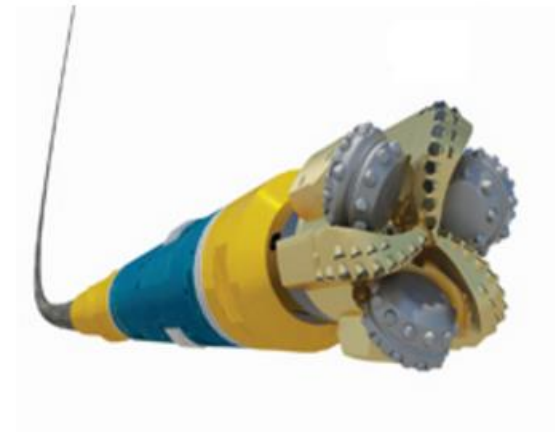
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