

From Virtual System Integration to Incremental Lifecycle Assurance

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We Rely on Software for Safe Aircraft Operation



Quantas Airbus A330-300 Forced to make Emergency Landing - 36 Injured

Written by htbw on Oct-7-08 1:48pm
From: soyawannaknow.blogspot.com



Thirty-six passengers and crew were injured, some in a mid-air drama that forced a Qantas jetliner to emergency landing, the Australian carrier and police said Tuesday.

The terrifying incident saw the Airbus A330-300 issue a mayday call when it suddenly changed altitude during a flight from Singapore to Perth, Qantas said.

Embedded software systems introduce a new class of problems not addressed by traditional system safety analysis

Oct. 15 (Bloomberg) -- **Airbus SAS** issued an alert to airlines after Australian investigators said a computer fault on a **Boeing Co. Ltd.** flight switched off the autopilot and generated false jet to nosedive.

The Airbus A330-300 was cruising at 37,000 feet (11,277 meters) when a computer fed incorrect information to the flight control system, the **Australian Transport Safety Bureau** said yesterday. The plane descended 650 feet within seconds, slamming passengers and crew against the ceiling, before the pilots regained control.

"This appears to be a unique event," the bureau said, adding that Airbus, the Toulouse, France-based Airbus, the world's largest maker of commercial aircraft, issued a telex late yesterday to airlines that fly Airbus aircraft fitted with the same air-data computer. The advisory is aimed at minimizing the risk in the unlikely event of a similar occurrence.

FAA says software problem with Boeing 787s could be catastrophic

By **Dan Catchpole**
[@dcatchpole](https://twitter.com/dcatchpole)

The Federal Aviation Administration says a software problem with Boeing 787 Dreamliners could lead to one of the most advanced jetliners losing electrical power in flight, which could lead to loss of control.

- The Buzz:** Hipster's dilemma
- Boeing & aerospace news
- Aerospace blog

The FAA notified operators of the airplane Friday that if a 787 is powered continuously for 248 days, the plane will automatically shut down its alternating current (AC) electrical power.





Software Problems not just in Aircraft



May 7, 2010

Lexus GX 460 passes retest; Consumer Reports lifts "Don't Buy" label

Consumer Reports is lifting the **Don't Buy: Safety Risk** designation from the 2010 Lexus GX 460 SUV after recall work corrected the problem it displayed in one of our emergency handling tests. (See the original report and video: "Don't Buy: Safety Risk--2010 Lexus GX 460.")



We originally experienced the problem in a test that we use to evaluate what's called lift-off oversteer. In this test, as the vehicle is driven through a turn, the driver quickly lifts his foot off the accelerator pedal to see how the vehicle reacts. When we did this with our GX 460, its rear end slid out until the vehicle was almost sideways. Although the GX 460 has **electronic stability control**, which is designed to prevent a vehicle from sliding, the system wasn't intervening quickly

enough to stop the slide. We consider this a safety risk because in a real-world situation this could cause a rear tire to strike a curb or slide off of the pavement, possibly causing the vehicle to roll over. Tall vehicles with a high center of gravity, such as the GX 460, heighten our concern. We are not aware, however, of any reports of injury related to this problem.

Lexus recently duplicated the problem on its own test track and developed a **software upgrade** for the vehicle's ESC system that would prevent the problem from happening. **Dealers received the software fix** last week and began notifying GX 460 owners to bring their vehicles in for repair.

We contacted the Lexus dealership from which we had anonymously bought the vehicle and made an appointment to have the recall work performed. The work took about an hour and a half.

Following that, we again put the SUV through our full series of emergency handling tests. This time, the ESC system intervened earlier and its rear did not slide out in the lift-off oversteer test. Instead, the vehicle understeered—or plowed—when it exceeded its limits of traction, which is a more common result and makes the vehicle more predictable and less likely to roll over. Overall, we did not experience any safety concerns with the corrected GX 460 in our handling tests.

Many appliances now rely on electronic controls and operating software. This article appeared in [May 2010 Consumer Reports Magazine](#). But it turned out to be a problem for the Kenmore 4027 front-loader, which scored near the bottom in our [February 2010 report](#).

Our tests found that the rinse cycles on some models worked improperly, resulting in an unimpressive cleaning.

When Sears, which sells the washer, saw our [February 2010 Ratings](#) (available to subscribers), it worked with LG, which makes the washer, to figure out what was wrong. They quickly determined that a software problem was causing short or missing rinse and wash cycles, affecting wash performance. Sears and LG say they have reprogrammed the software on the models in their warehouses and on about 65 percent of the washers already sold, including the ones we had purchased.

Our retests of the reprogrammed Kenmore 4027 found that the cycles now worked properly, and the machine excelled. It now tops our [Ratings](#) (available to subscribers) of more than 50 front-loaders and we've made it a CR Best Buy.

If you own the washer, or a related model such as the Kenmore 4044 or Kenmore Elite 4051 or 4219, you should get a letter from Sears for a free service call. Or you can call 800-733-2299.

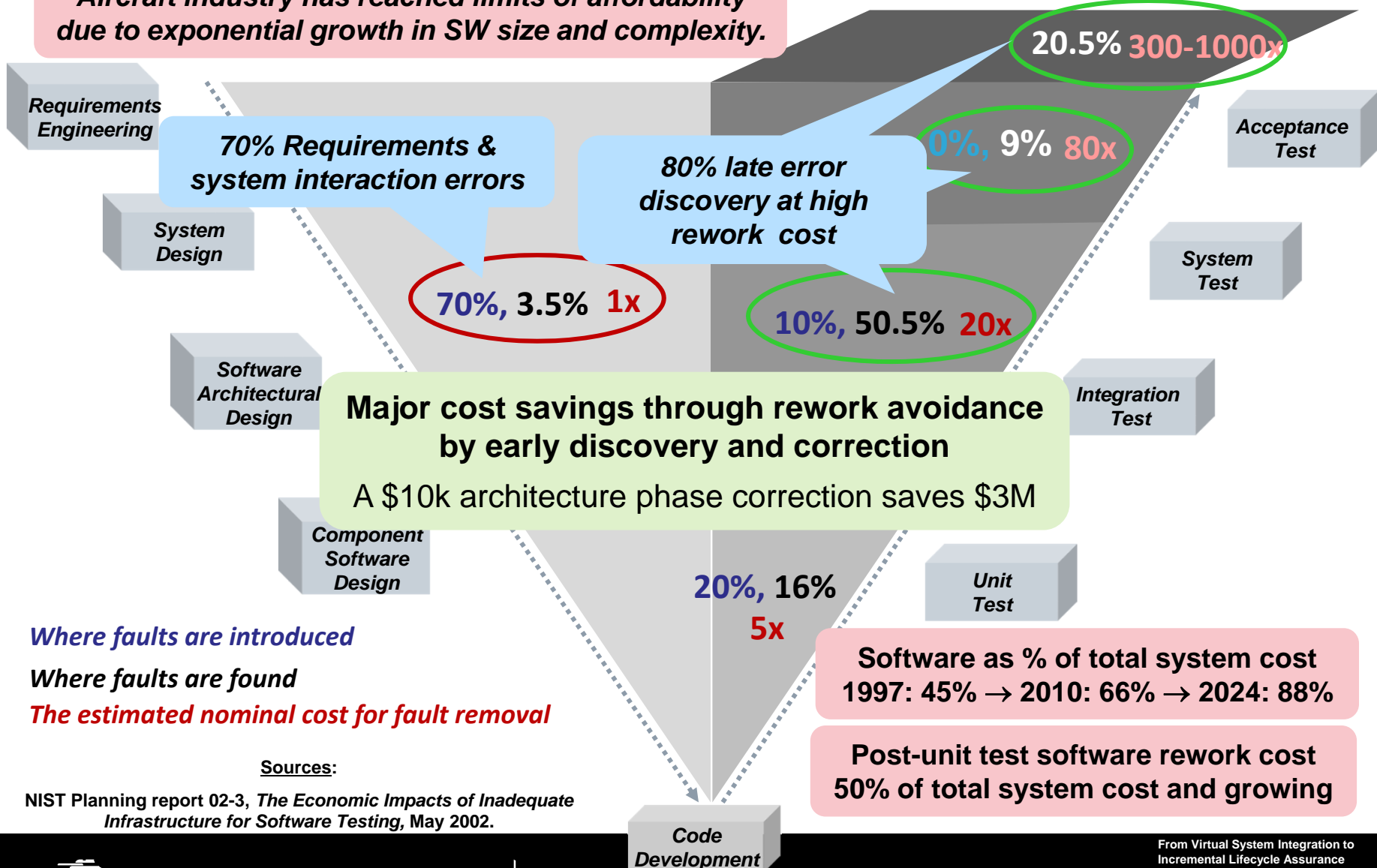
How do you upgrade washing machine software?





High Fault Leakage Drives Major Increase in System Cost

Aircraft industry has reached limits of affordability due to exponential growth in SW size and complexity.



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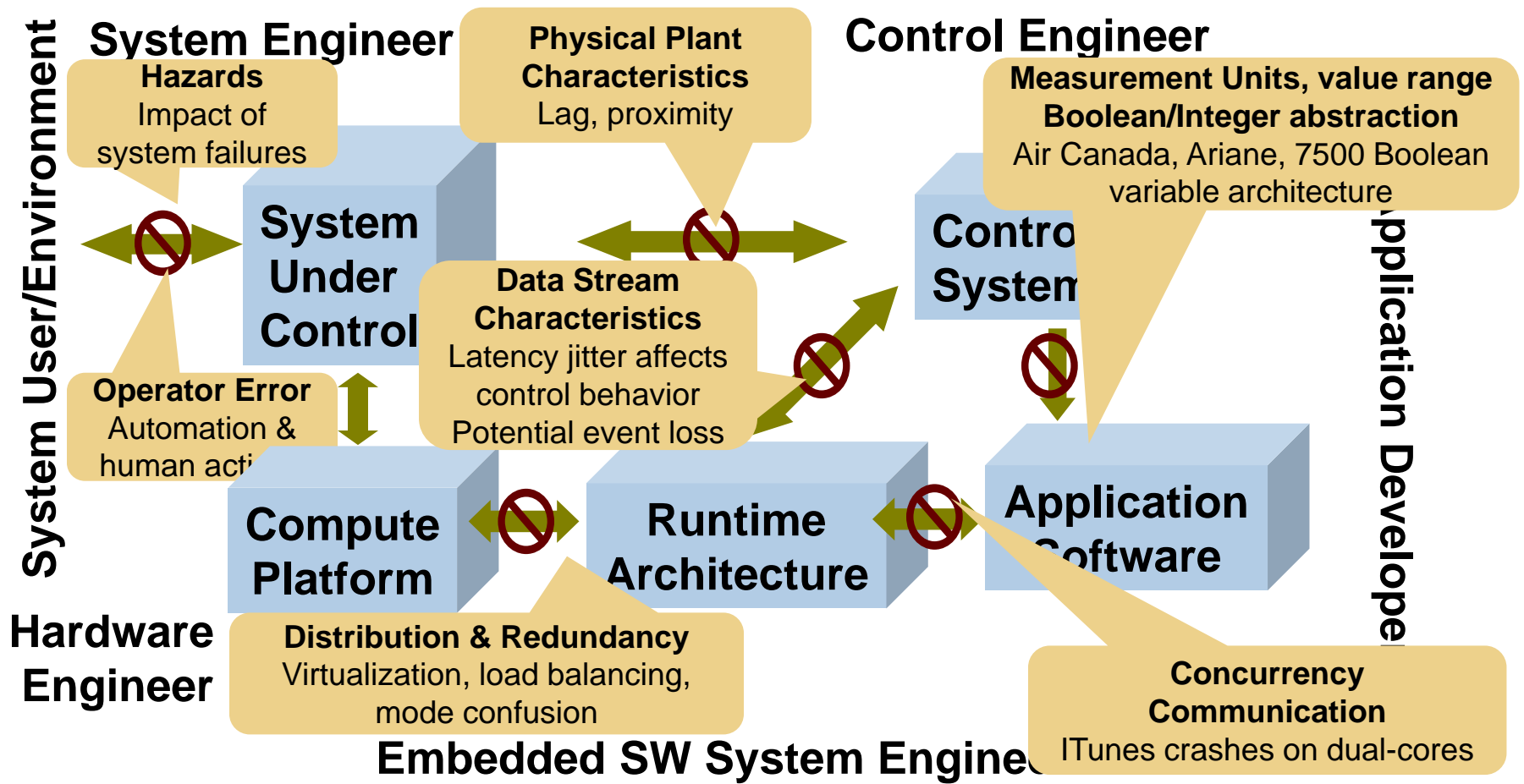
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Mismatched Assumptions in System Interactions



Embedded software system as major source of hazards

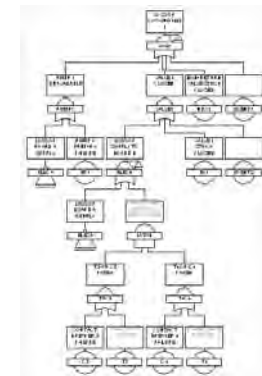
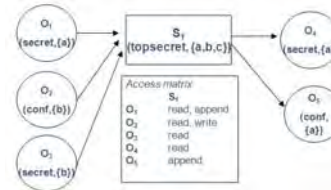
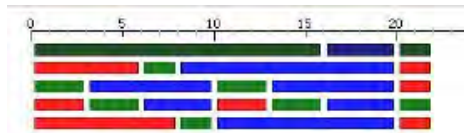
Why do system level failures still occur despite fault tolerance techniques being deployed in systems?

Model-based Engineering Pitfalls



The system

Inconsistency between independently developed analytical models



System models

Confidence that model reflects implementation



System implementation

This aircraft industry experience has led to the System Architecture Virtual Integration (SAVI) initiative





Awareness of Requirement Quality

Textual requirement quality statistics

- Current requirement engineering practice relies on stakeholders traceability and document reviews resulting in high rate of requirement change

| Requirements error | % |
|--------------------|-----|
| Incomplete | 21% |
| Missing | 33% |
| Incorrect | 24% |
| Ambiguous | 6% |
| Inconsistent | 5% |

NIST Study

Managed awareness of requirement uncertainty reduces requirement changes by 50%

- 80% of requirement changes from development team
- Expert assessment of change uncertainty
- Focus on high uncertainty and high importance areas
- Engineer for inherent variability

| Selection | Weight | Precedence |
|-------------------|--------|---|
| Low Precedence | 1 | No experience of concept, or environment. Historically volatile |
| Medium Precedence | 3 | Some experience in related environments. Some historic volatility |
| High Precedence | 1 | Concept already in service. Low historic volatility |

Figure 8. Precedence measurement scale

Rolls Royce Study





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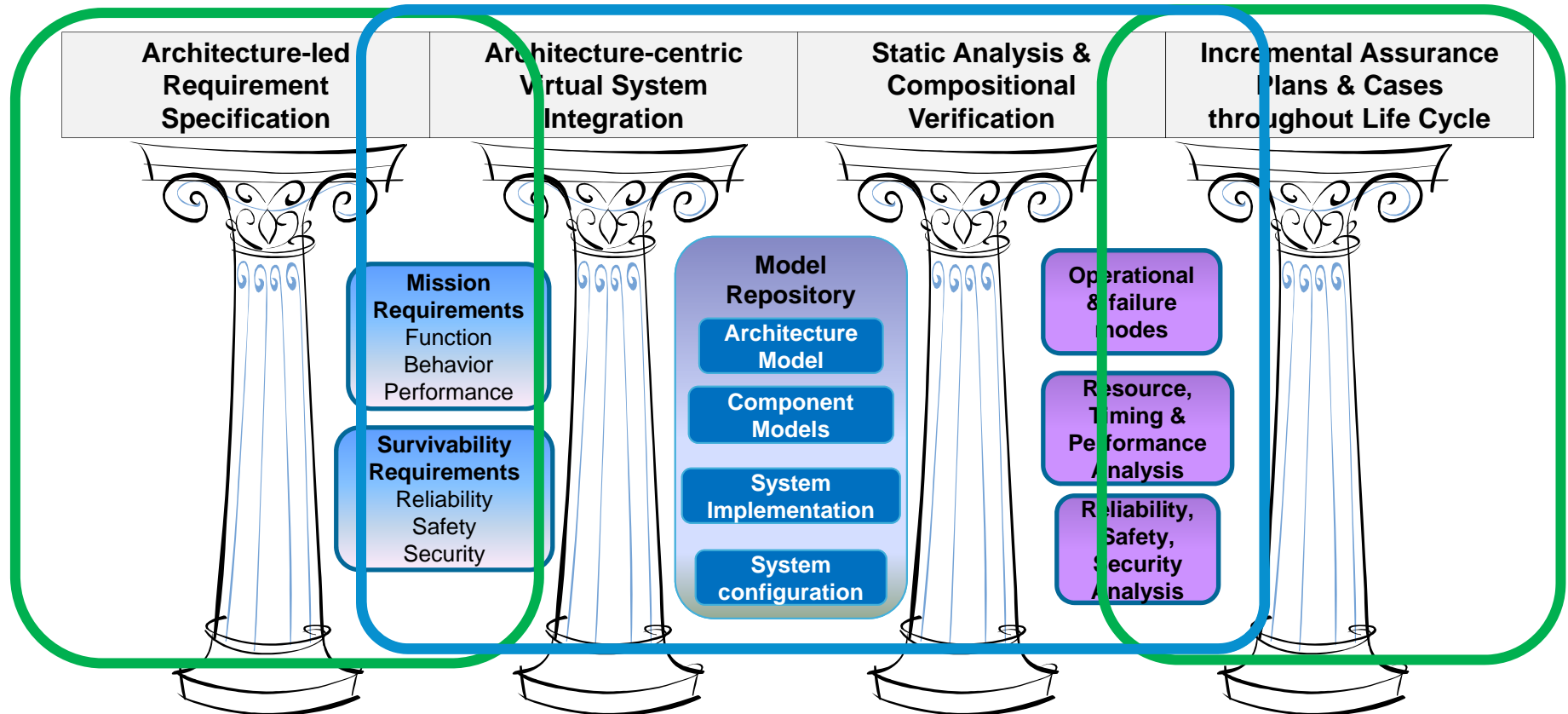


Assurance & Qualification Improvement Strategy



2010 SEI Study for AMRDEC
Aviation Engineering Directorate

Assurance: Sufficient evidence that a system implementation meets system requirements

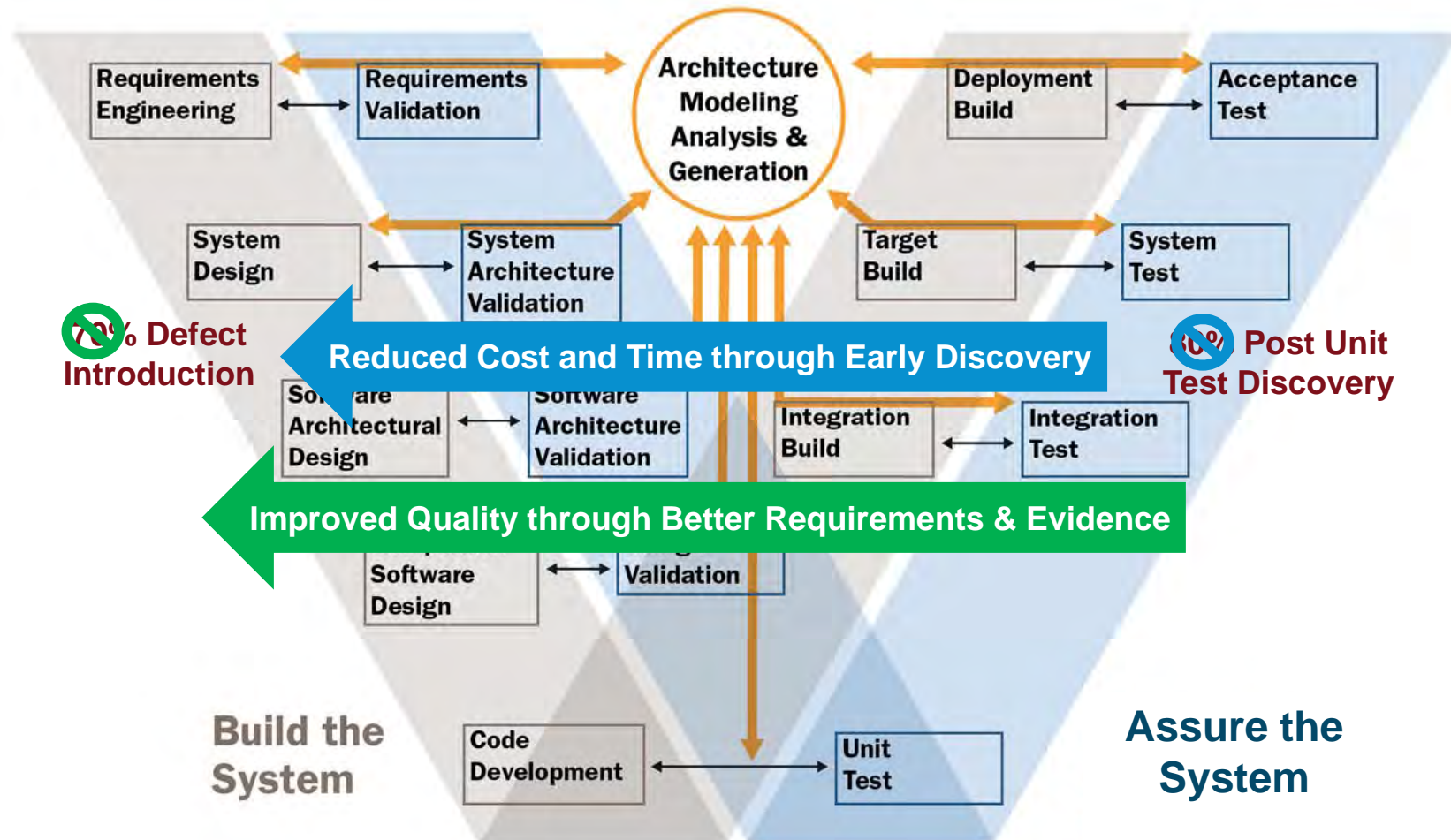


Early Problem Discovery through Virtual System Integration & Analysis
Improved Assurance through Better Requirements & Automated Verification





Improved Cost, Time and Quality



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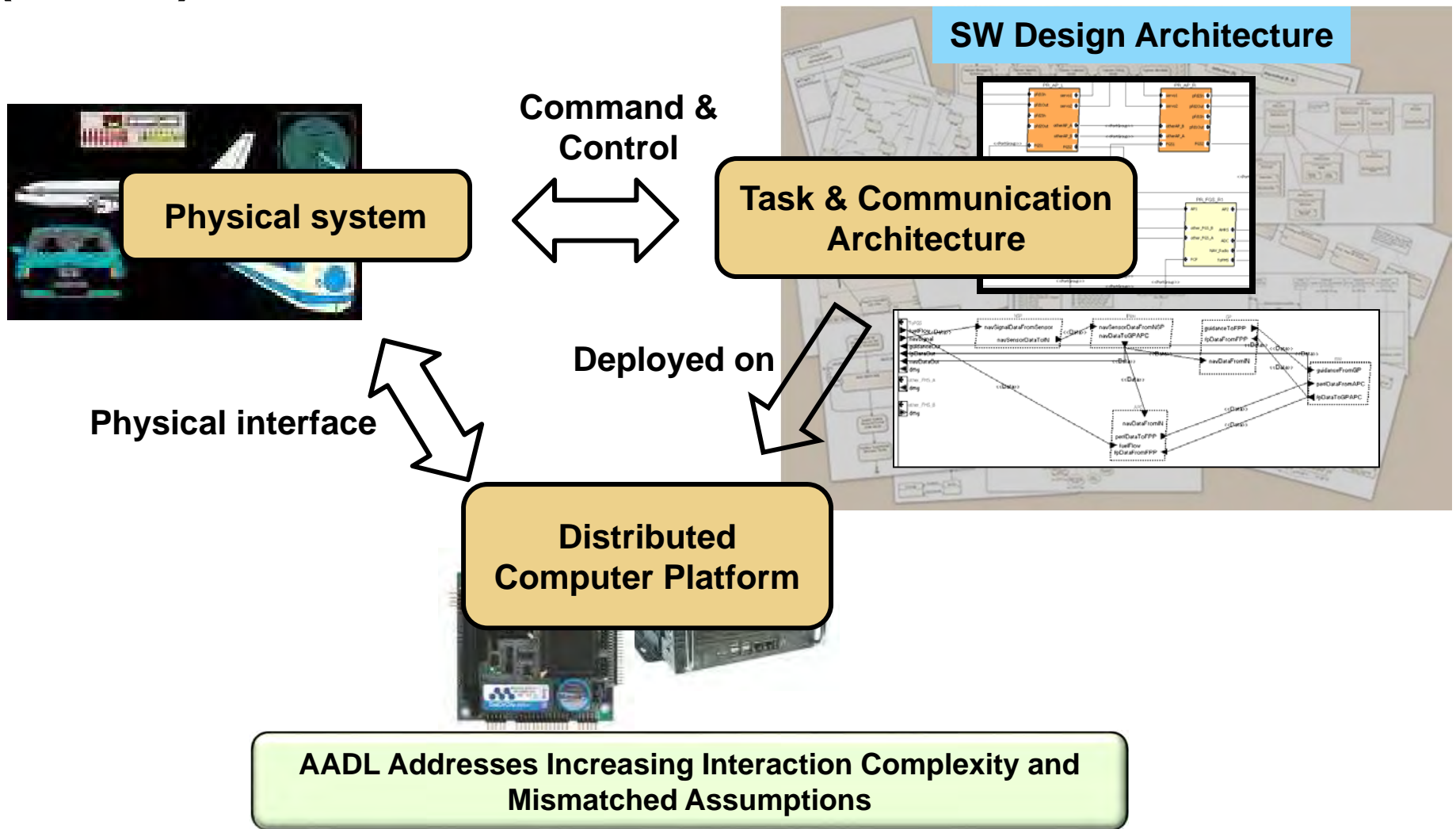
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SAE Architecture Analysis & Design Language (AADL) to the Rescue





Analysis of Virtually Integrated Software Systems

Single Annotated Architecture Model Addresses Impact Across Operational Quality Attributes

Safety & Reliability

- MTBF
- FMEA
- Hazard analysis

Potential new hazard

Data Quality

- Data precision/accuracy
- Temporal correctness
- Confidence

Affects temporal correctness

Architecture Model

Auto-generated analytical models

Security

- Intrusion
- Integrity
- Confidentiality

Change of Encryption from 128 bit to 256 bit

Resource Consumption

- Bandwidth
- CPU time
- Power consumption

Higher CPU demand

Real-time Performance

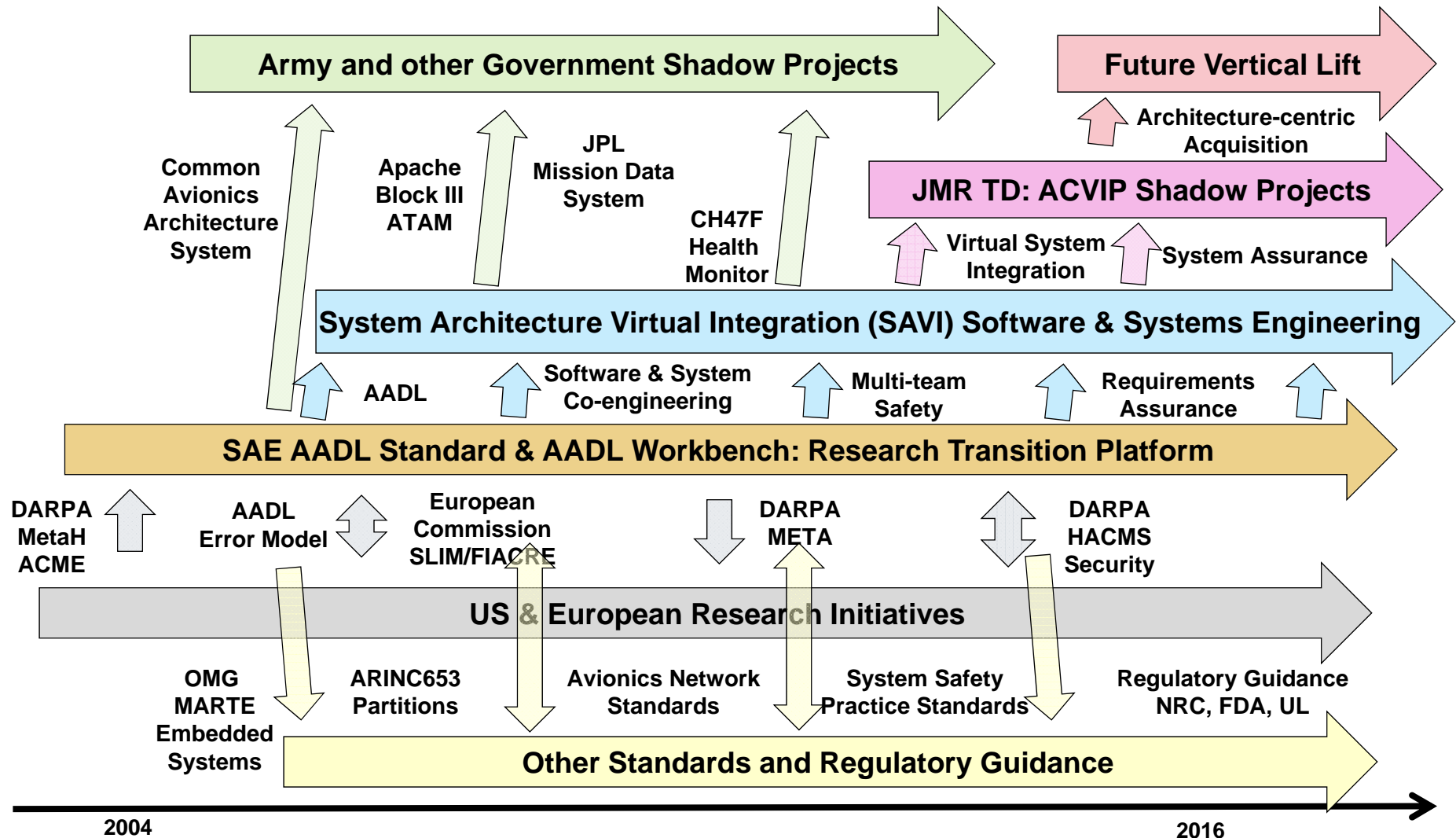
- Execution time/Deadline
- Deadlock/starvation
- Latency

Increased latency





Towards an Architecture-Centric Virtual Integration Practice (ACVIP)



Finding Problems Early

Issue: Contractor could not assess integration risk early enough.

Action: 6 Week Virtual Integration identified 20 major issues.

Result: Adjusted CDR Schedule to remediate.

- Prevented 12 month delay in a 2 year project.

The current method would not have identified the issues until 3 months before delivery



International Commercial Aircraft Industry Consortium



System Architecture Virtual Integration (SAVI) 2008-
Proof of concept with AADL led to ten year commitment

SAVI ROI Study (2009/10)

\$2B savings on \$10B aircraft through 33% early detection



Architecture-centric Virtual Integration Practice (ACVIP)

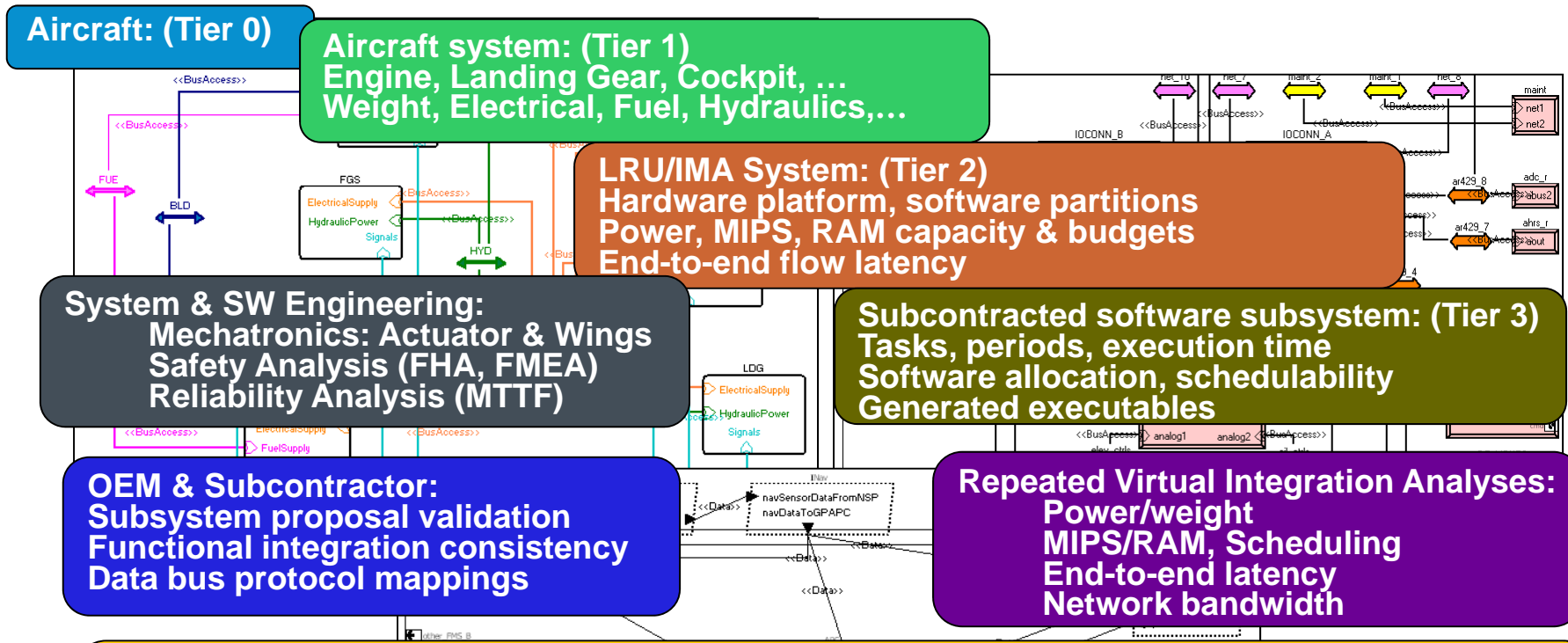


2014/15 Virtual Integration Shadow led to early discovery of 85+ potential integration issues

Led to acceleration of adoption by JMR contractors and inclusion in RFP for FY16/17 projects



Incremental Multi-Tier Assurance in SAVI



Proof of Concept Demonstration and Transition by Aerospace industry initiative

- Architecture-centric model-based software and system engineering
 - Architecture-centric model-based acquisition and development process
 - Multi notation, multi team model repository & standardized model interchange
- Multi-tier system & software architecture (in AADL)
 - Incremental end-to-end verification of system properties





Automated FMEA Experience

Failure Modes and Effects Analyses are rigorous and comprehensive reliability and safety design evaluations

- Required by industry standards and Government policies
- When performed manually are usually done once due to cost and schedule
- If automated allows for
 - multiple iterations from conceptual to detailed design
 - Tradeoff studies and evaluation of alternatives
 - Early identification of potential problems

Largest analysis of satellite to date consists of 26,000 failure modes

- Includes detailed model of satellite bus
- 20 states perform failure mode
- Longest failure mode sequences have 25 transitions (i.e., 25 effects)

Myron Hecht, Aerospace Corp.
Safety Analysis for JPL, member of DO-178C committee



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Incremental Lifecycle Assurance Objectives

Measurably improve critical system assurance through

- Better coverage and managed uncertainty
- Incremental analytical verification throughout lifecycle
- Focus on high payoff areas





Requirements & Architecture Design Constraints

Textual Requirements for a Patient Therapy System

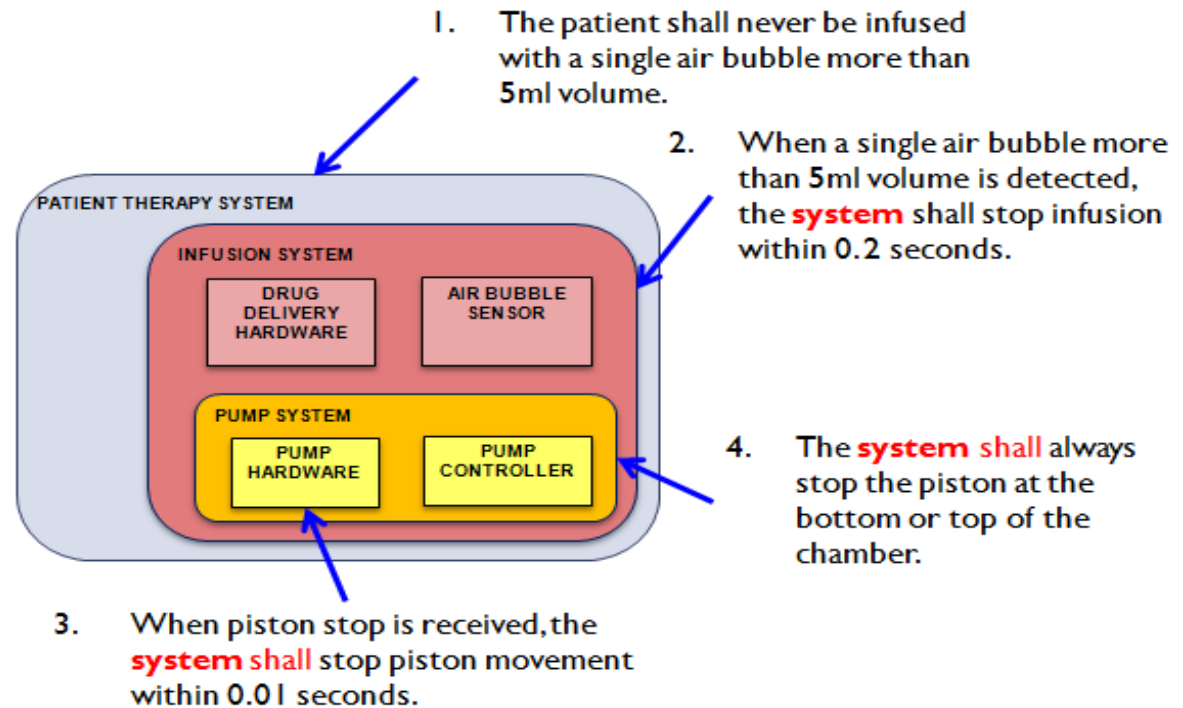
The patient shall never be infused with a single air bubble more than 5ml volume.

When a single air bubble more than 5ml volume is detected, the **system** shall stop infusion within 0.2 seconds.

When piston stop is received, the **system shall** stop piston movement within 0.01 seconds.

The **system shall** always stop the piston at the bottom or top of the chamber.

Same Requirements Mapped to an Architecture Model



Importance of understanding system boundary

We have effectively specified a system partial architecture

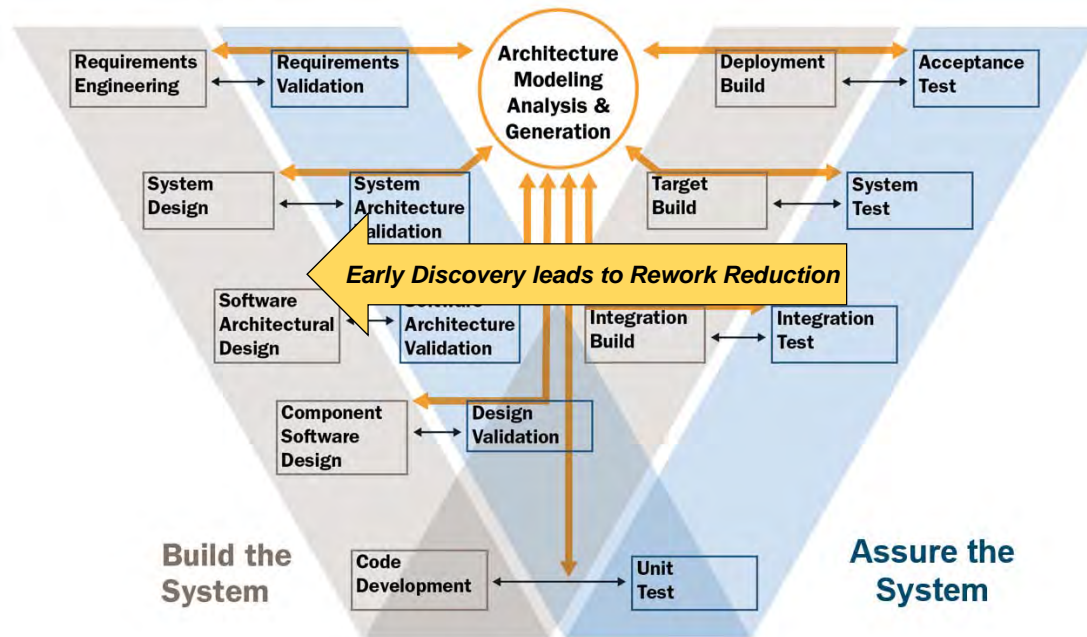
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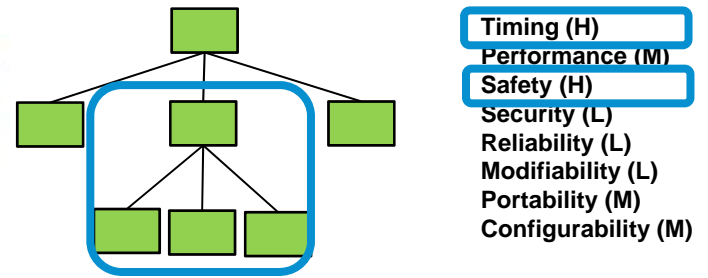


Three Dimensions of Incremental Assurance

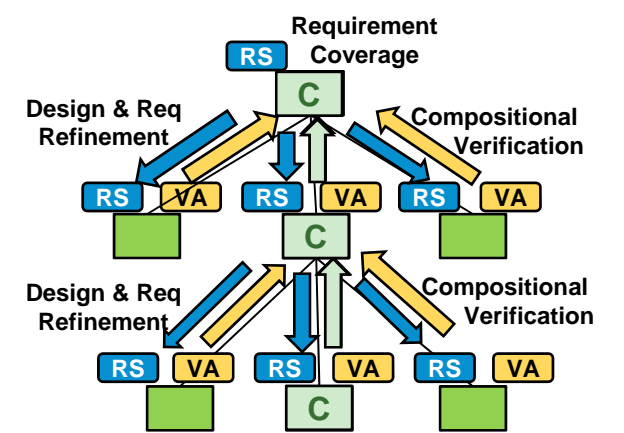
Incremental assurance through virtual system integration for early discovery



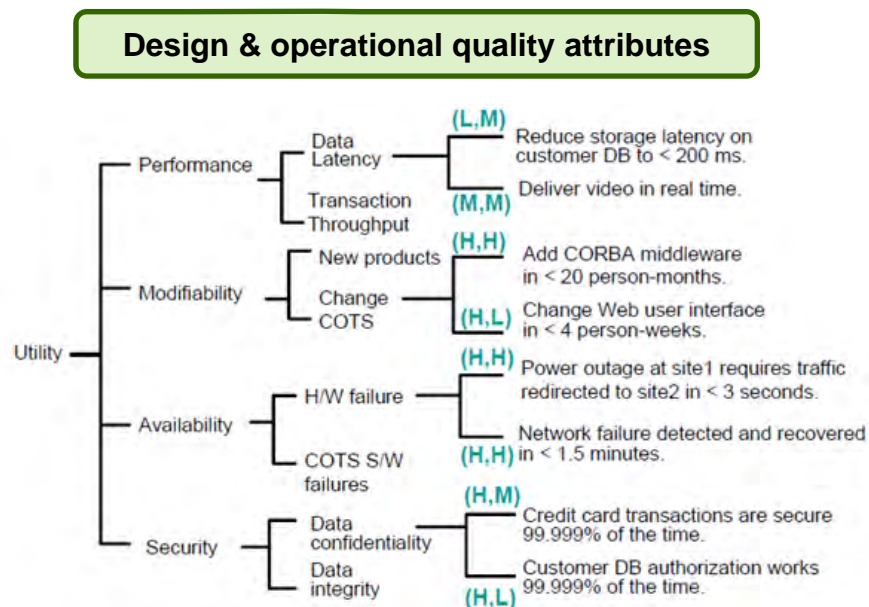
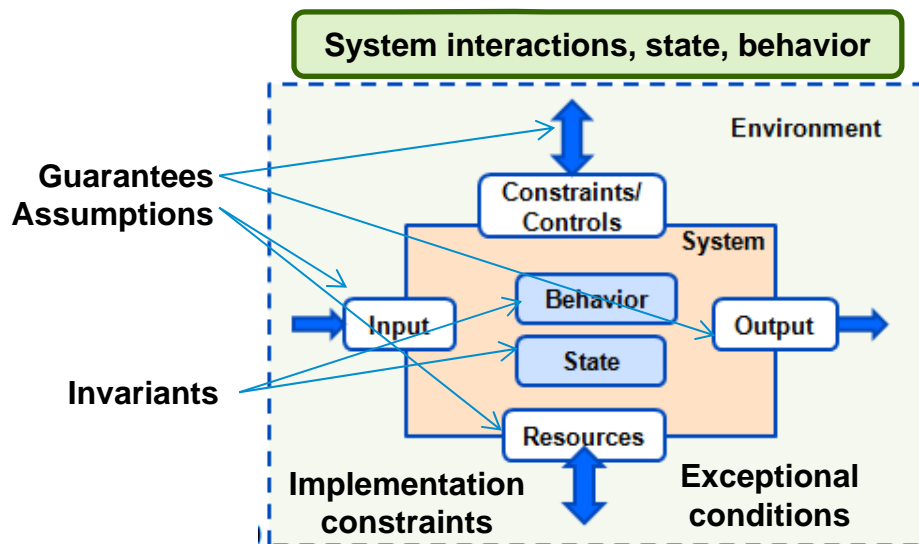
Priority focused architecture design exploration for high payoff



Compositional verification and partitions to limit assurance impact



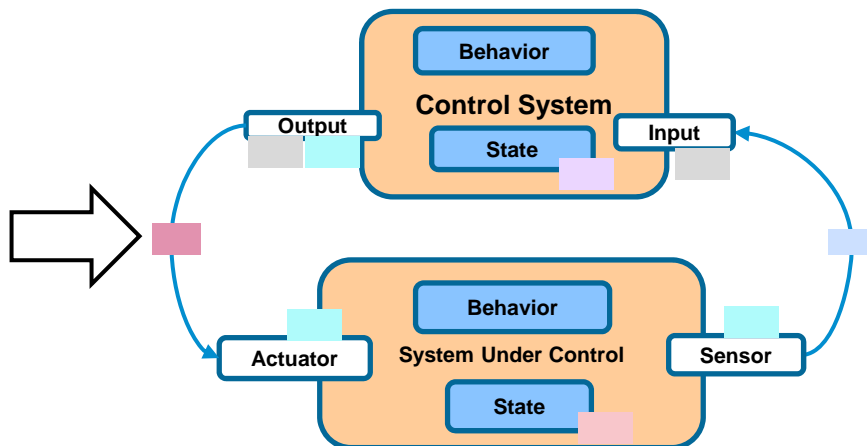
Three Dimensions of Requirement Coverage



Fault impact & contributors

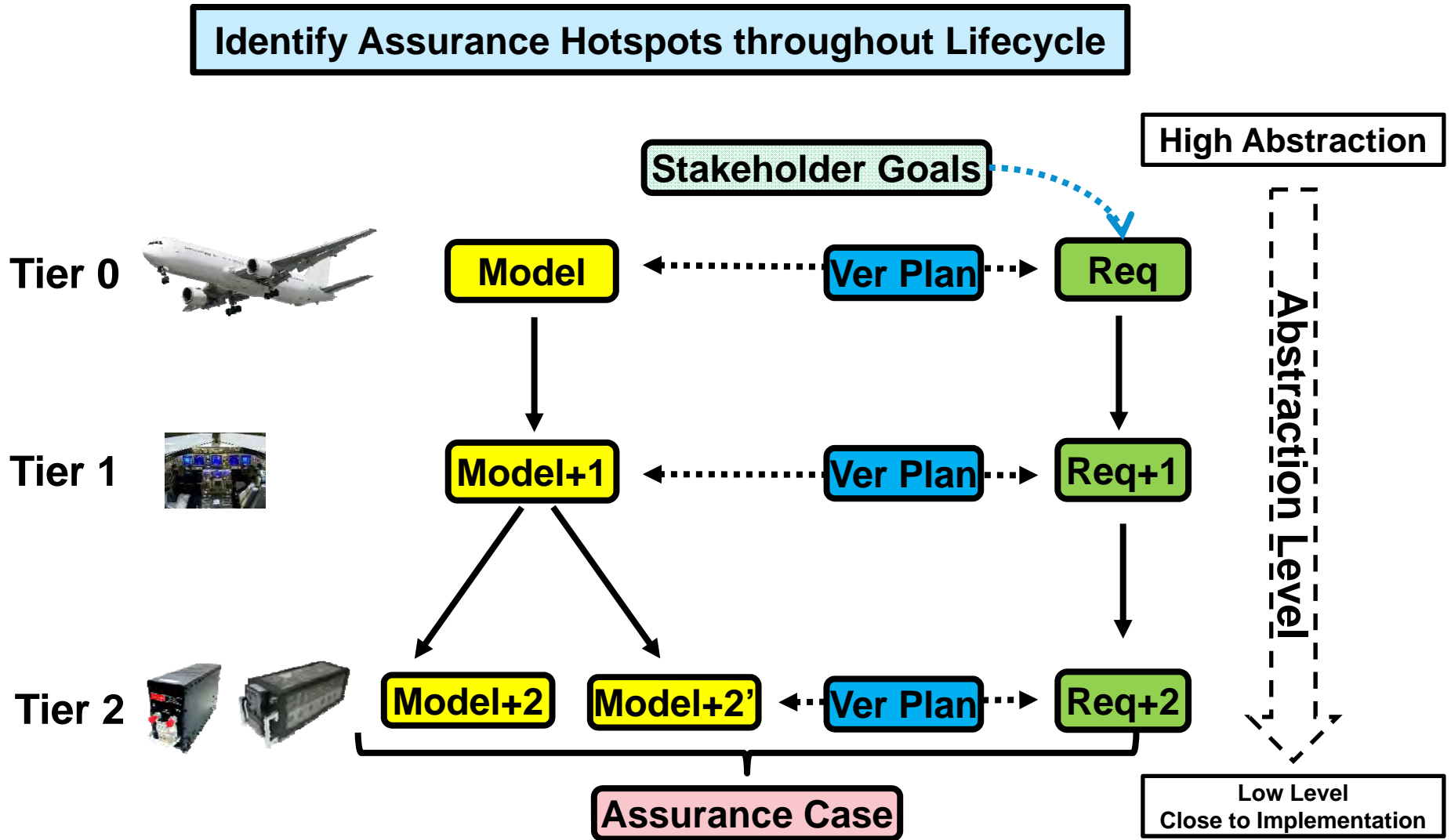
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| Omission errors | Commission errors |
| Value errors | Sequence errors |
| Timing errors | Replication errors |
| Rate errors | Concurrency errors |
| Authentication errors | Authorization errors |

Fault Propagation Ontology





Automated Incremental Assurance Workbench



Contract-based Compositional Verification



Secure Mathematically-Assured Composition of Control Models

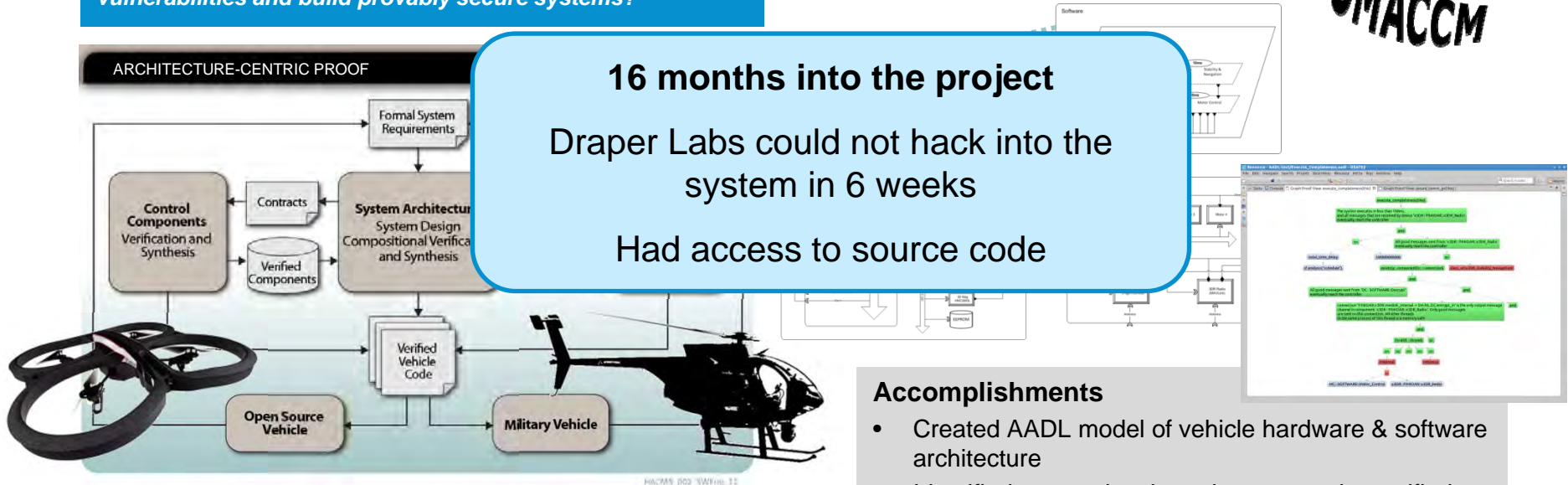
Key Problem

Many vulnerabilities occur at component interfaces.
How can we use formal methods to detect these vulnerabilities and build provably secure systems?

TA4 – Research Integration and Formal Methods Workbench
Rockwell Collins and University of Minnesota



16 months into the project
Draper Labs could not hack into the system in 6 weeks
Had access to source code



Technical Approach

- Develop a complete, formal architecture model for UAVs that provides robustness against cyber attack
- Develop compositional verification tools driven from the architecture model for combining formal evidence from multiple sources, components, and subsystems
- Develop synthesis tools to generate flight software for UAVs directly from the architecture model, verified components, and verified operation system

Accomplishments

- Created AADL model of vehicle hardware & software architecture
- Identified system-level requirements to be verified based on input from Red Team evaluations
- Developed Resolute analysis tool for capturing and evaluating assurance case arguments linked to AADL model
- Developed example assurance cases for two security requirements
- Developed synthesis tool for auto-generation of configuration data and glue code for OS and platform hardware

Open source tools available at github.com/smaccm

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Benefits of Virtual System Integration & Incremental Lifecycle Assurance

Reduce risks

- Understand system wide impact early
- Verify assumptions across system

Increase confidence

- Verified models to complement integration tests
- System design evolved from verified models

Reduce cost

- Fewer system integration problems
- Less assurance related rework





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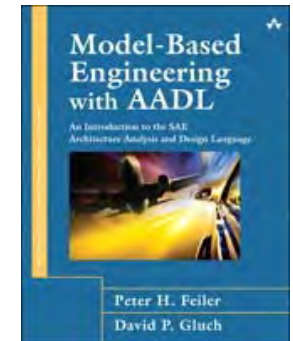
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