

INCOSE/OMG MBSE Initiative PBSE Patterns Challenge Team



Meeting: May 19, 2015

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Today's meeting . . .

- In addition to announcements and updates, . . .
- Today's meeting will focus on technical matters.
- As discussed by members in the April meeting . . .

(Schedule adjustable as needed)

Meeting Agenda: INCOSE PBSE Patterns Challenge Team of MBSE Initiative (Web conferenced)

Tuesday, May 19, 2015, 4:00 – 5:00 PM Eastern Time

Pre-reading and Background: Team web site: http://www.omgwiki.org/MBSE/doku.php?id=mbse:patterns:patterns Minutes of meeting of April 21, 2015: http://www.omgwiki.org/MBSE/doku.php?id=mbse:patterns:patterns_challenge_team_mtg_04.21.15										
		4:00 – 5:00 PM EST								
Meeting start up: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of meeting objectives and agenda – <i>at request of members, today's meeting returns to more technical focus</i> Introduction of participants Why the Patterns Challenge Team exists: Goals and approach 		4:00 – 4:05								
Announcements and updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our team's co-chair, Troy Peterson, named INCOSE Asst. Director for SE Transformation to MBSE INCOSE Great Lakes Regional Conference (GLRC9) 2015: Cleveland, October 23-25, 2015; submissions, registration: https://www.incose.org/newsevents/currentevents/2015/01/14/incose-great-lakes-9th-regional-conference-2015-(glrc9) Look for five or our team's papers at IS2015, Seattle, July: Pickard (best paper award); Cook; Peterson; Sanyal; Schindel Updated PBSE Methodology Summary, based on team feedback (thank you!), for INCOSE MBSE Methodologies submission Agile SE Life Cycle Model (ASELCM) Project (joint w/Agile WG) host enterprise workshops to begin August; five orgs in pipeline SE Social Network Pattern Project started (Hoffman), for presentation at GLRC2015 in October Health Care Delivery Pattern Application (Joint with Health Care WG) started (Thukral), for presentation at GLRC2015 in Oct INCOSE Chapter presentations on PBSE: Northern Ohio (May 19); Previous: Crossroads of America, Chicagoland, Enchantment, Michigan, Finger Lakes Other announcements or updates? 		4:05 – 4:15								
PBSE technical subjects—discussion of four related subjects, in progression: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brief review of HLR (high level requirements framework) portion of S*Metamodel Criticality of Interactions to the heart of MBSE and PBSE, science and engineering Viewing Requirements Statements as non-linear Transfer Functions Gestalt Rules in PBSE – and their connections to the above and applications in understanding system patterns 		4:15 – 4:50								
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The MBSE Initiative Patterns Challenge Team: Who are we?

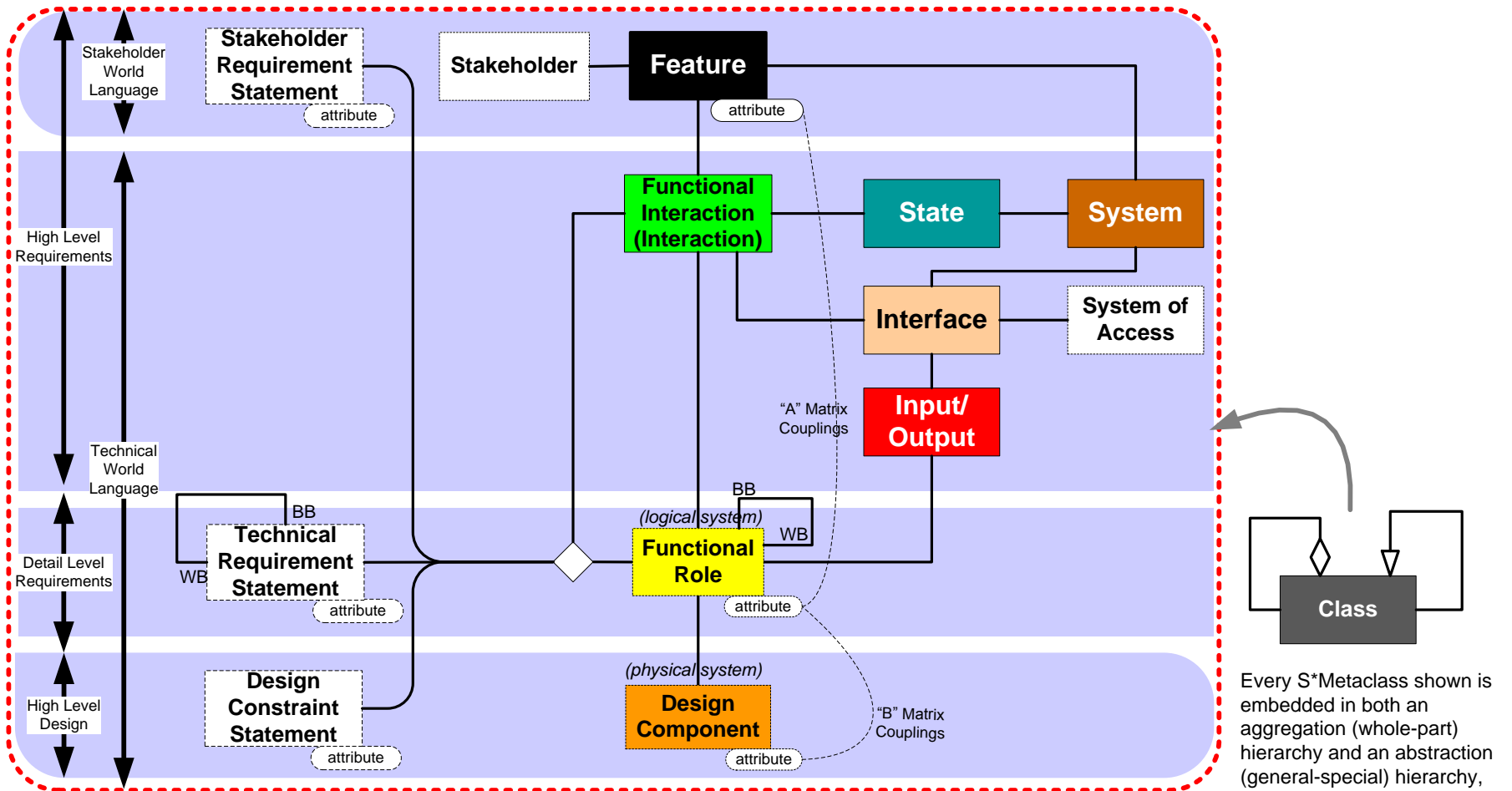
- Our most active members come from across diverse domains:
 - Automotive
 - Advanced Manufacturing
 - Aerospace
 - Consumer Products
 - Defense
 - Health Care, Medical Devices, Pharmaceuticals
 - Others
 - Today's attendees?
- During the last 18 months, over 100 colleagues have participated in Patterns Challenge Team activities:
 - Team meetings, work sessions, and tutorials
 - Construction of system patterns
 - Writing related papers for IS, IW, and regional INCOSE conferences
 - Invited presentations of our team's work to INCOSE chapter meetings

What does the Patterns Challenge Team do?

- This Challenge Team is concerned with configurable, re-usable system models, called “S*Patterns”:

1. Models containing a certain minimal set of elements are called S*Models (S is short for “Systematica”)
2. Those underlying elements are called the S*Metamodel, which was inspired by the physical sciences
3. S*Models using those elements may be expressed in any modeling language (e.g., SysML, or other languages)
4. S*Models can be created and managed in many different COTS modeling tools.
5. Re-usable, configurable S*Models are called S*Patterns
6. By “Pattern-Based Systems Engineering” (PBSE) we mean MBSE enhanced by these generalized assets
7. These are system-level patterns (models of whole managed platforms), not just smaller-scale component design patterns

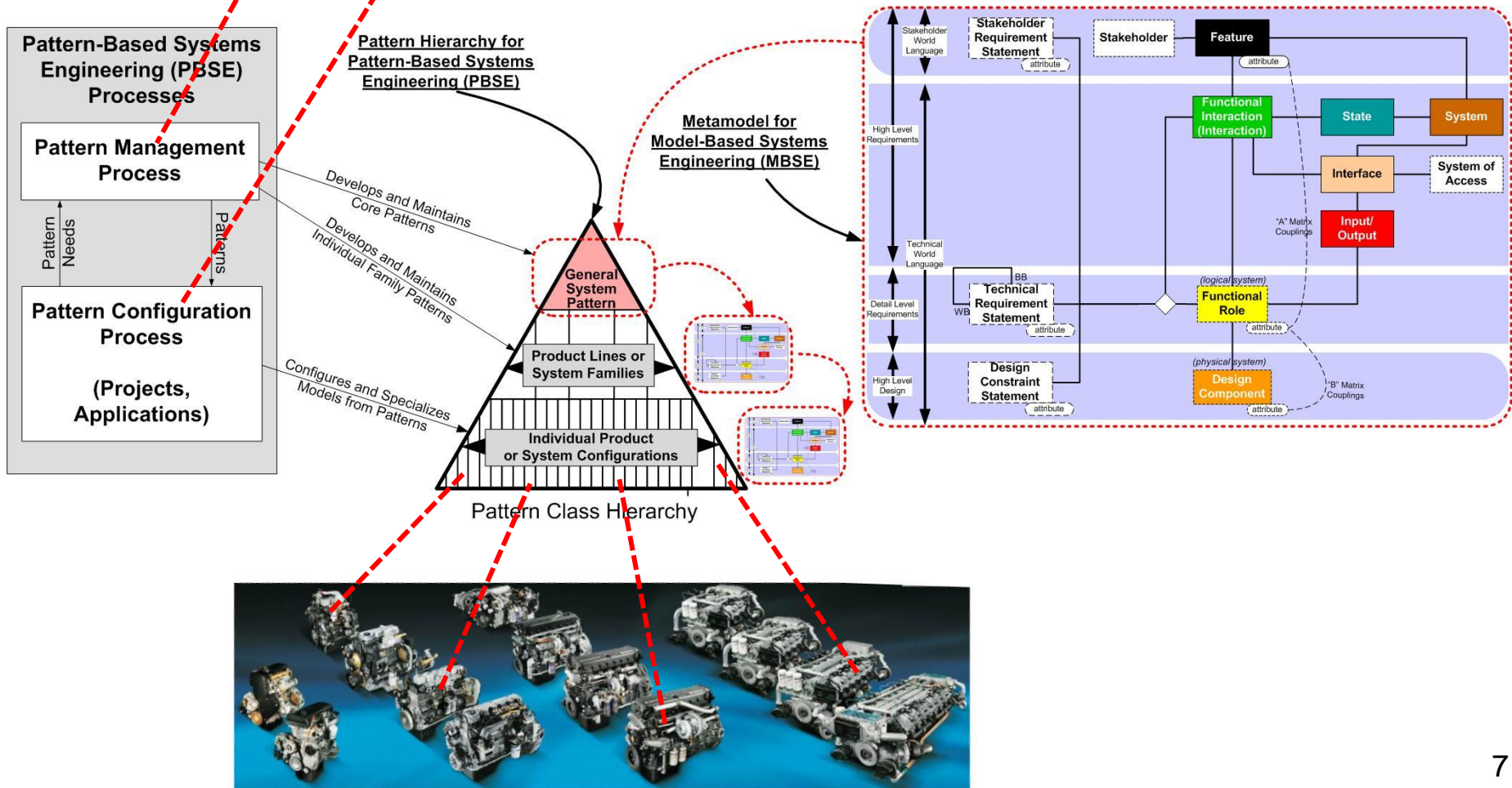
Summary of some major S*Metamodel classes and relationships—the underlying semantics of all S*Models (Refer to S*Glossary for definitions)



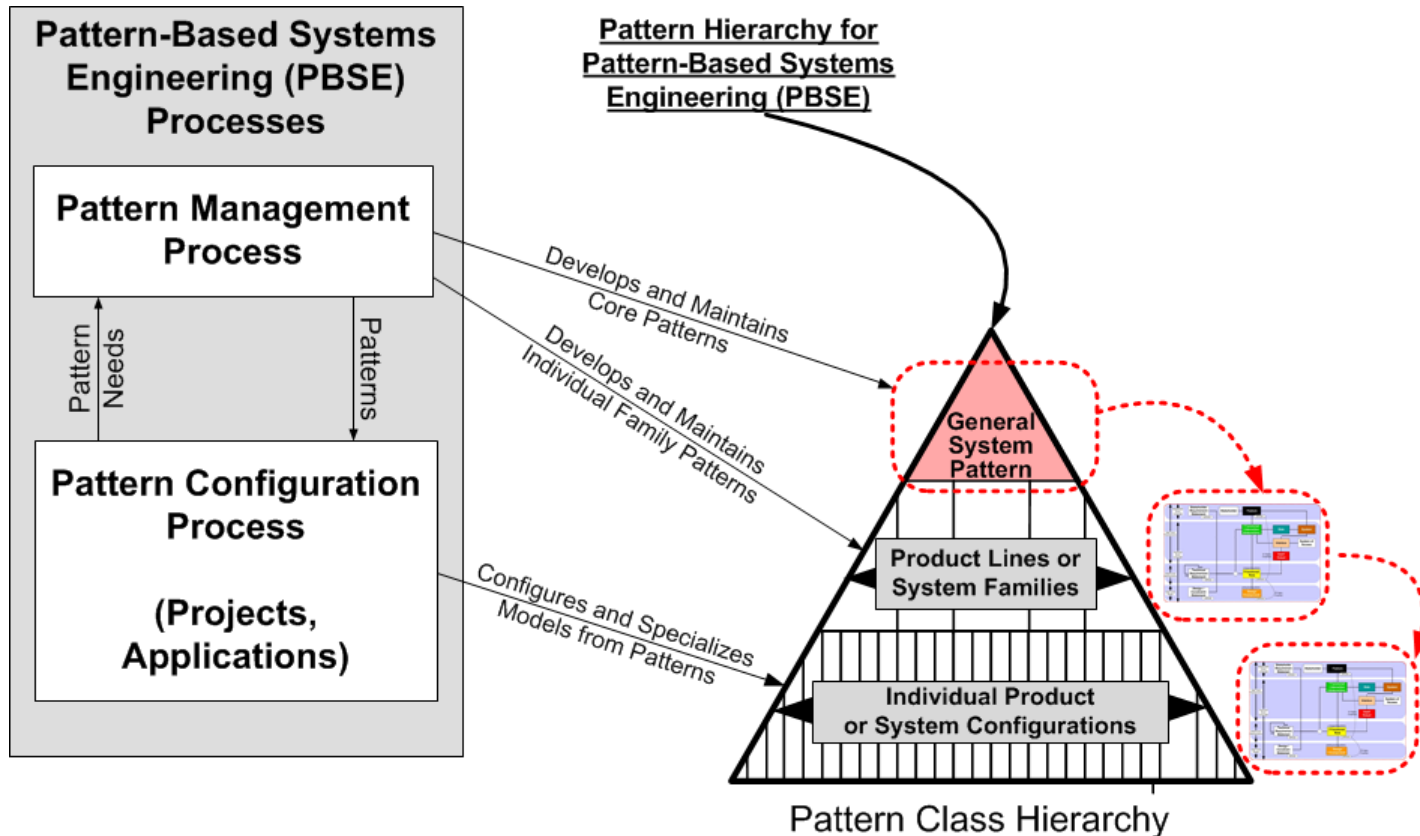
Summary of S*Metamodel

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- Pattern-Based Systems Engineering (PBSE) has two overall processes:
 - **Pattern Management Process:** Generates the general pattern, and periodically updates it based on application project discovery and learning;
 - **Pattern Configuration Process:** Configures the pattern into a specific model for application in a project.



Business process optimized for PBSE fulfill a different vision:



Why do most representations of the systems engineering process appear to assume starting from no formal knowledge about the system of interest & its domain?

Team Announcement and Updates

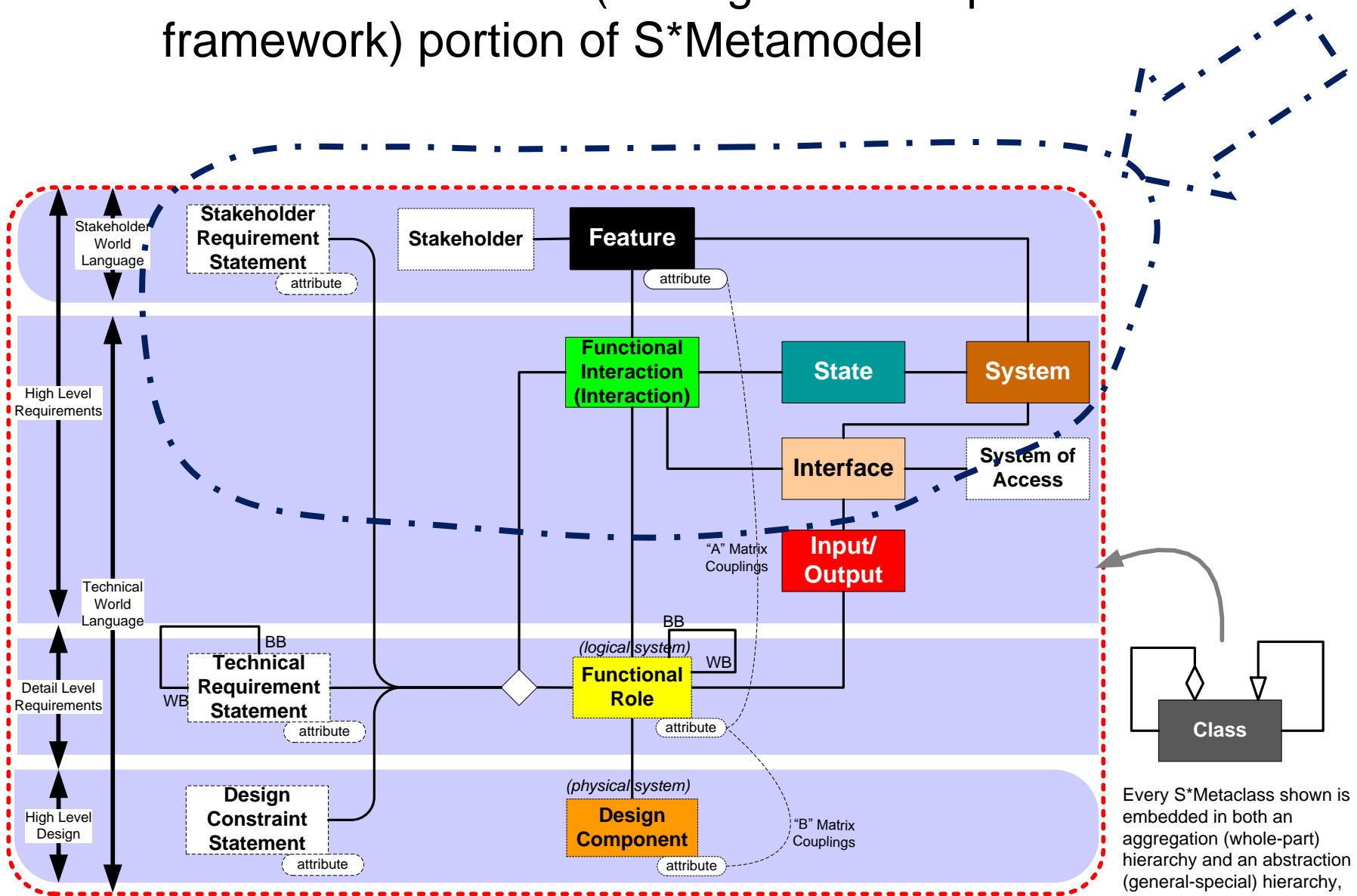
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Today's Session:

Four Related PBSE Technical Subjects

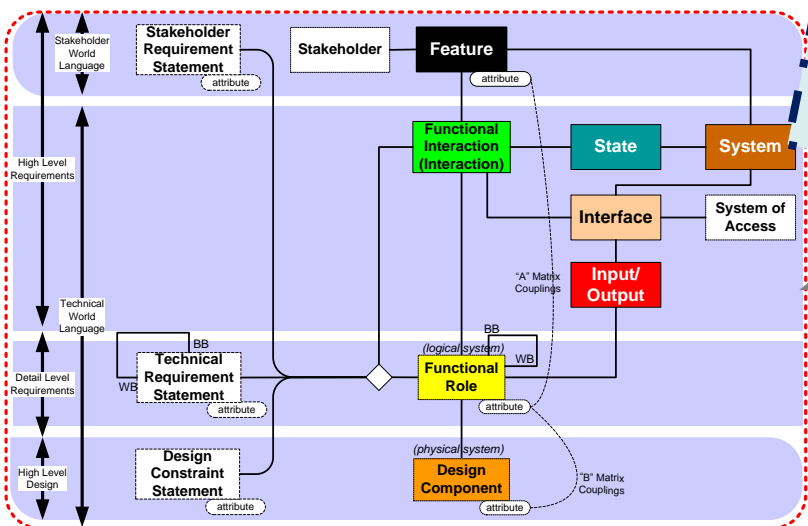
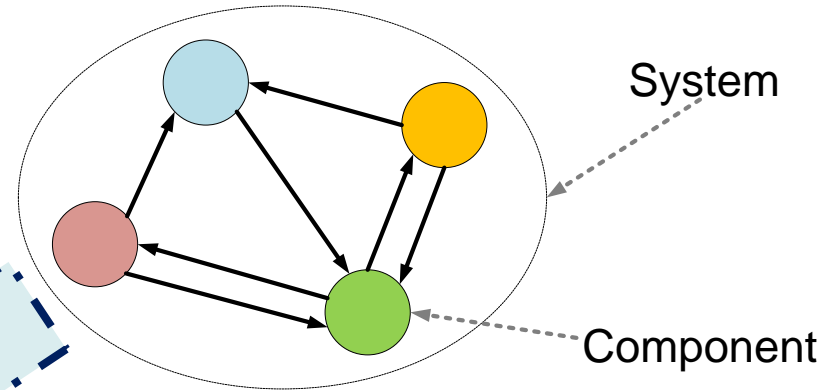
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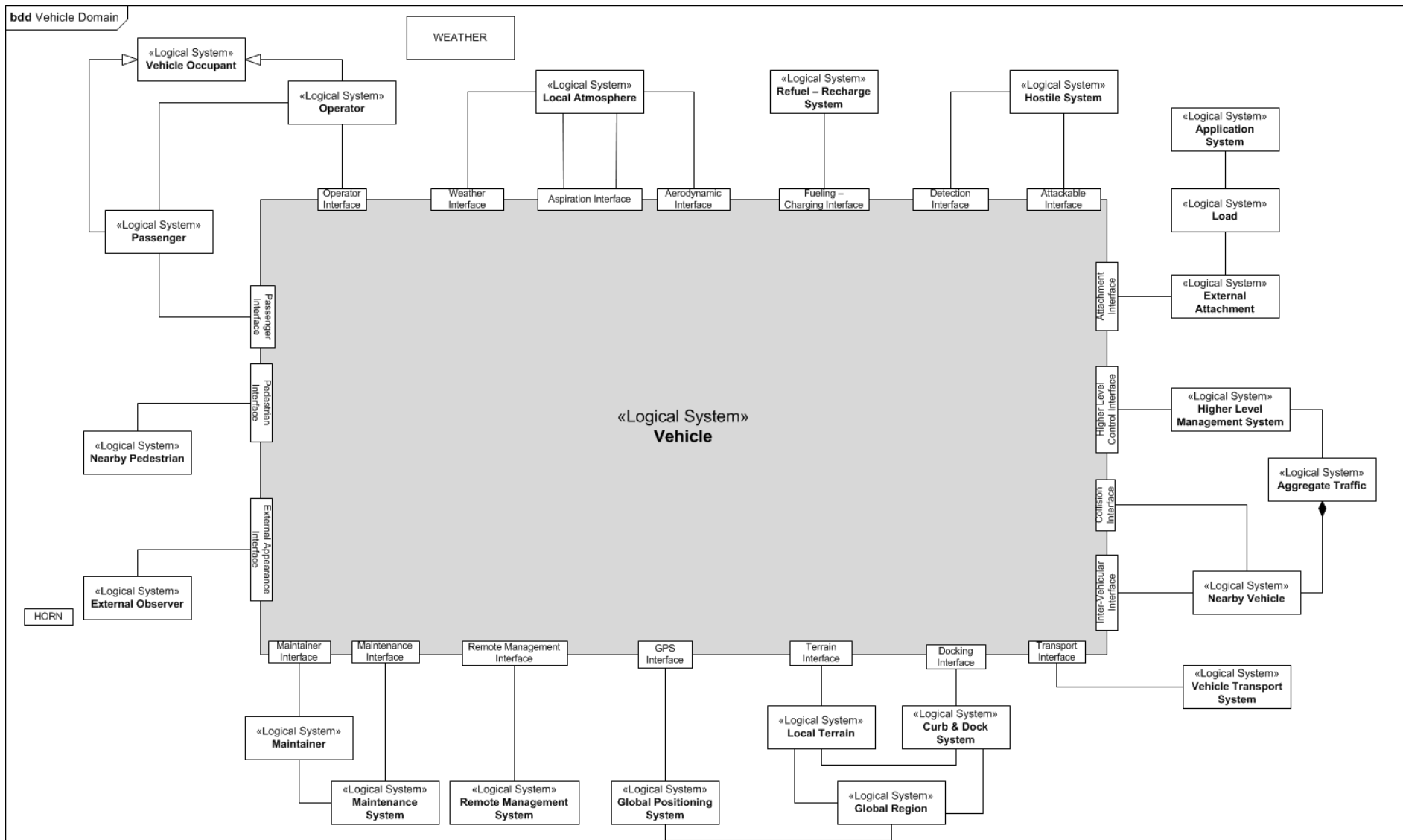
Every S*Metaclass shown is embedded in both an aggregation (whole-part) hierarchy and an abstraction (general-special) hierarchy, connected by the relationship types shown.

- A System is a collection of interacting Components.
- By “interact”, we mean exchanges of energy, force, mass, or information, so that one component changes the state of another component.
- A Component can be a System.



Systems: Engine, Vehicle, Manufacturing Line, Medical Device, Consumer Product, Aircraft, Engine, etc.

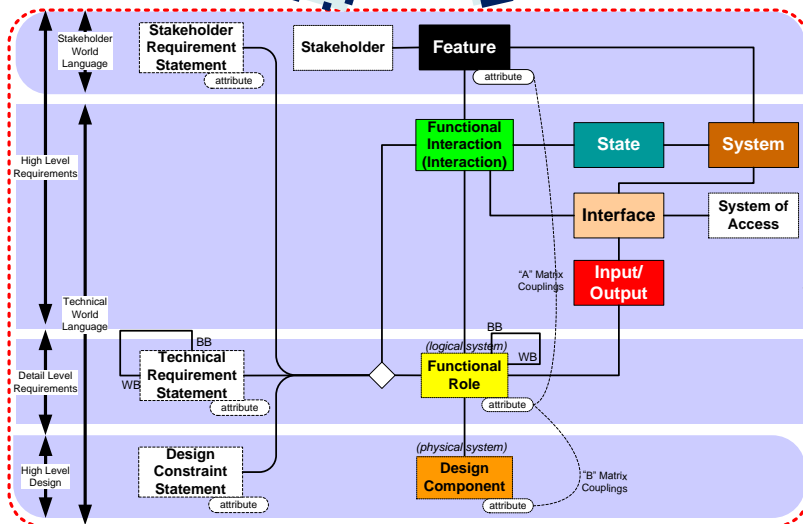
In S*Models, Domain Systems are described by Domain Diagrams (showing interacting components of the domain)



- A Stakeholder is a person, organization, community, or other entity with a stake in the behavior of a system.
- A Feature is a system behavior or capability having value to a Stakeholder, described in Stakeholder concepts & language.
- Features are the basis of Stakeholder selection of systems.

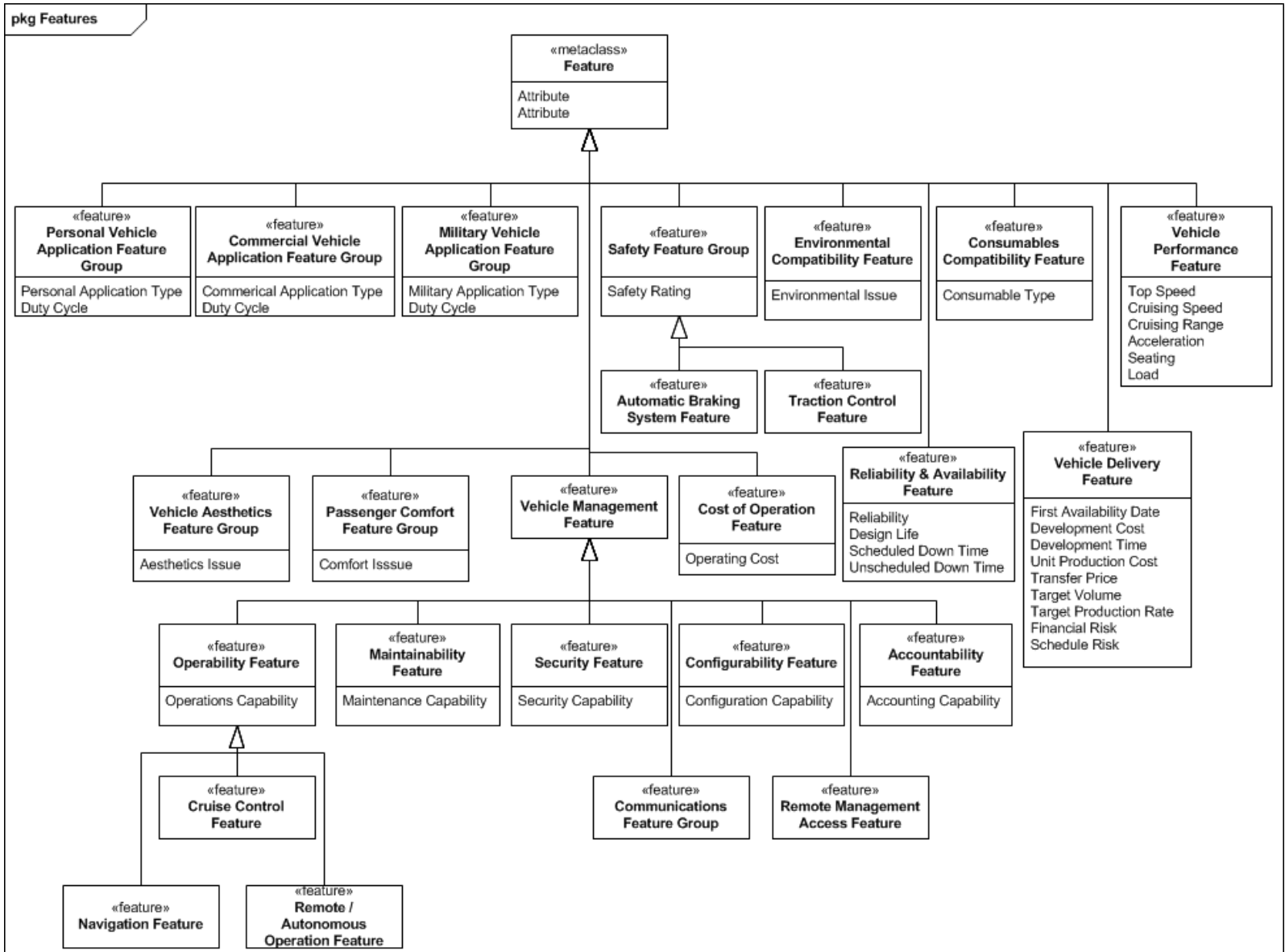


- Features are parameterized by Feature Attributes.
- These measures of effectiveness are in Stakeholder terms, so are frequently subjective and non-technical.



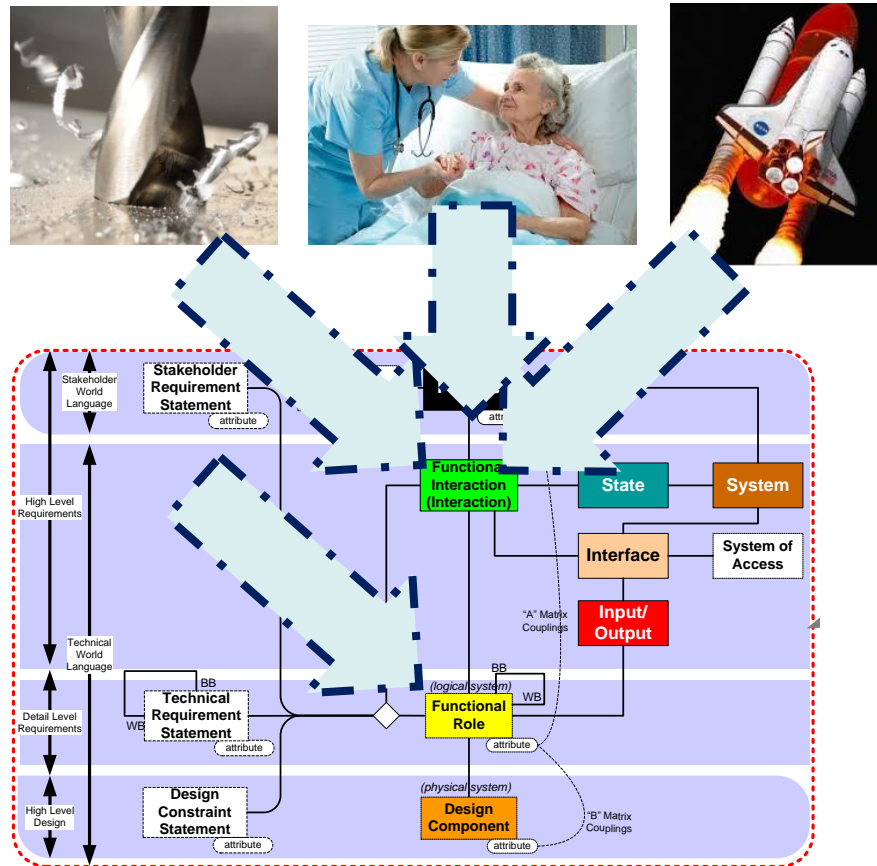
Features: Patient Monitoring, Threshold Detection, Production Capacity, Storage Capability, etc.

In S*Models, Feature models are summarized by Stakeholder Models and associated Feature Frameworks (Including Feature Attributes, Definitions, and Stakeholder associations with the Features)



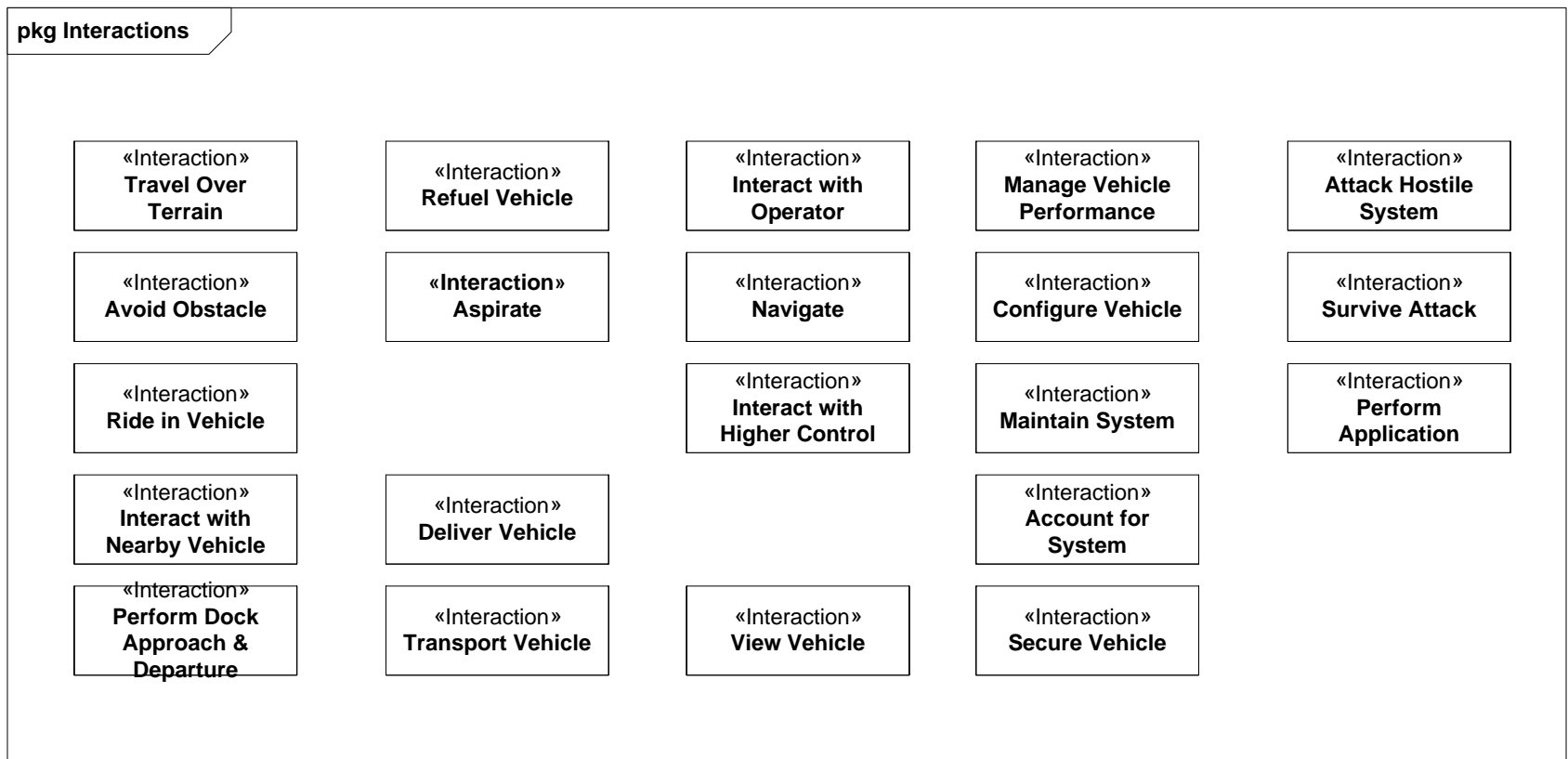
- A (Functional) Interaction is an exchange of energy, force, mass, or information, by two or more entities, said to play (Functional) Roles in the Interaction.
- All behavior occurs in the context of Interactions.

- Functional Role behaviors are parameterized by (technical) Role Attributes.
- These describe behavior variables in objective, technical terms—the language of science and engineering.

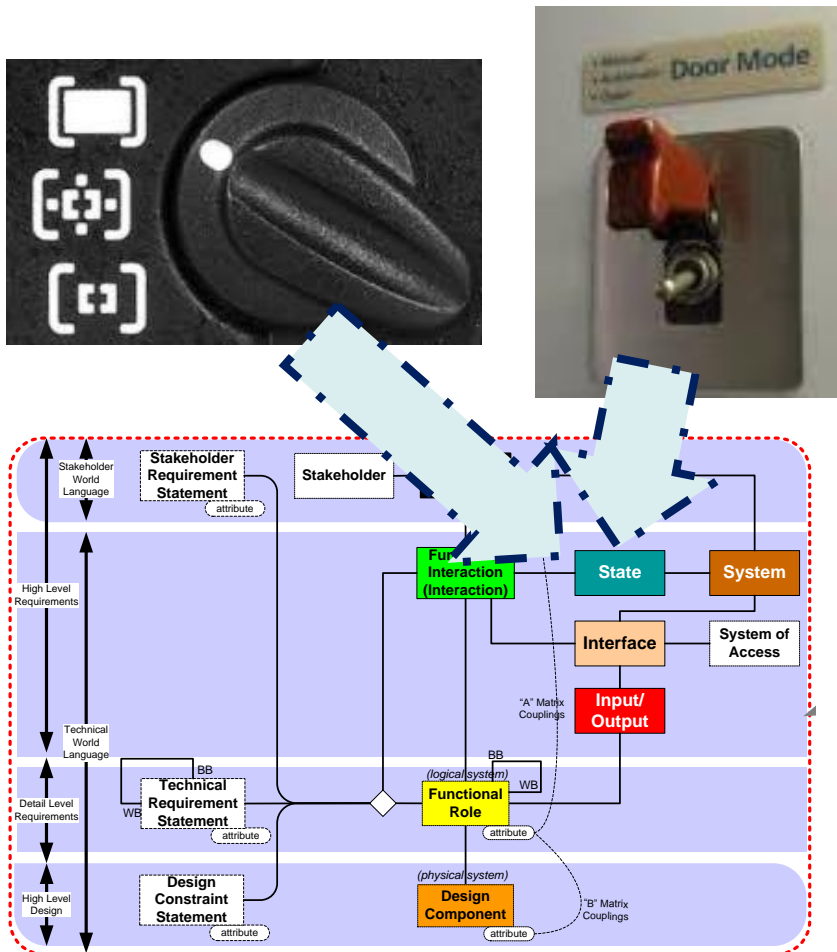


Interactions: Bore Hole, Examine Patient, Perform Ascent

- In the High Level Requirements (HLR) framework subset of an S*Model, the Interactions are summarized by name, definition, and active role-players.
- The HLR framework provides a place to associate each Interaction with related Actors, Features, and States.
- In the Detail Level Requirements (DLR) subset of an S*Model, each Interaction can be detail modeled, leading to detail Requirements and other aspects.



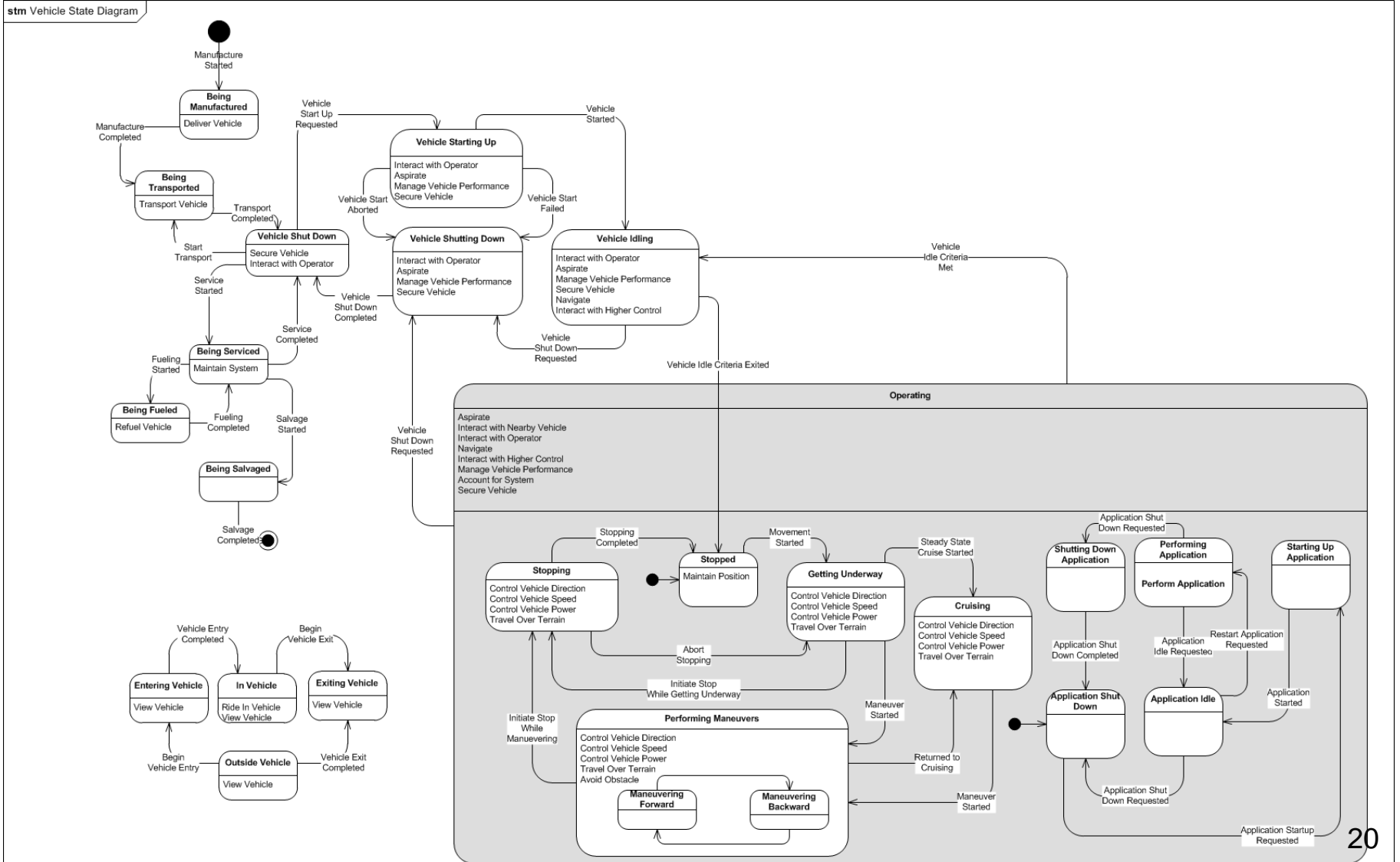
- A State is a condition of a system that determines its future behavior.
- Some state variables are continuous (e.g., position, velocity), and others are discrete (e.g., operational states).
- For the discrete case, Finite State Machine models are used.



- The fact that different behavior is expected in the different (finite) states is represented by associating different Interactions with different (finite) States.

Finite States: Idle Mode, Off, Powering Up, Cruising, Recharging, Opening

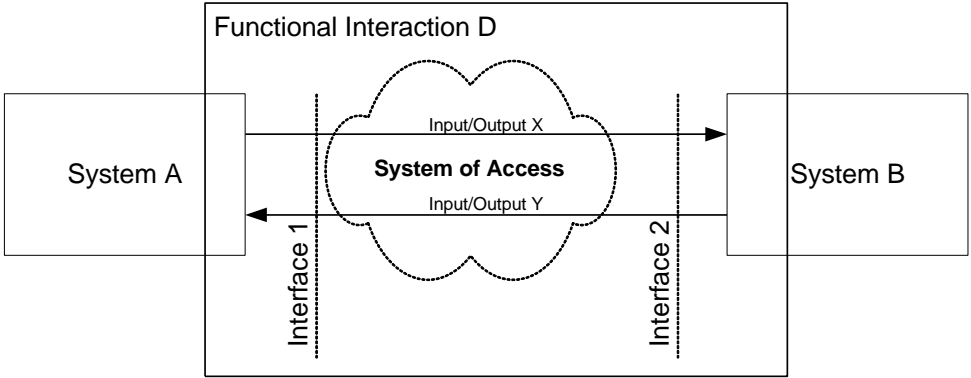
- In the High Level Requirements (HLR) subset of an S*Model, the State Model establishes a high level temporal (time) model of the system.
- The scope of such a State Model may be the entire System Life Cycle, an Operational Cycle, or other time scope.



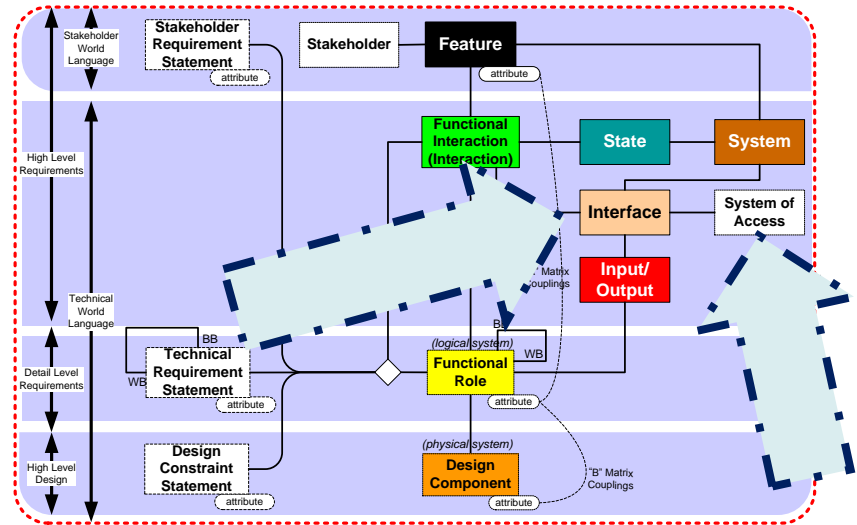
An Interface is an association of (1) a system (which has the interface), (2) a set of Input-Outputs (which pass through the Interface), (3) a set of Interactions (which describe behavior at the Interface), and (4) a System of Access (which provides the physical transport at the Interface).



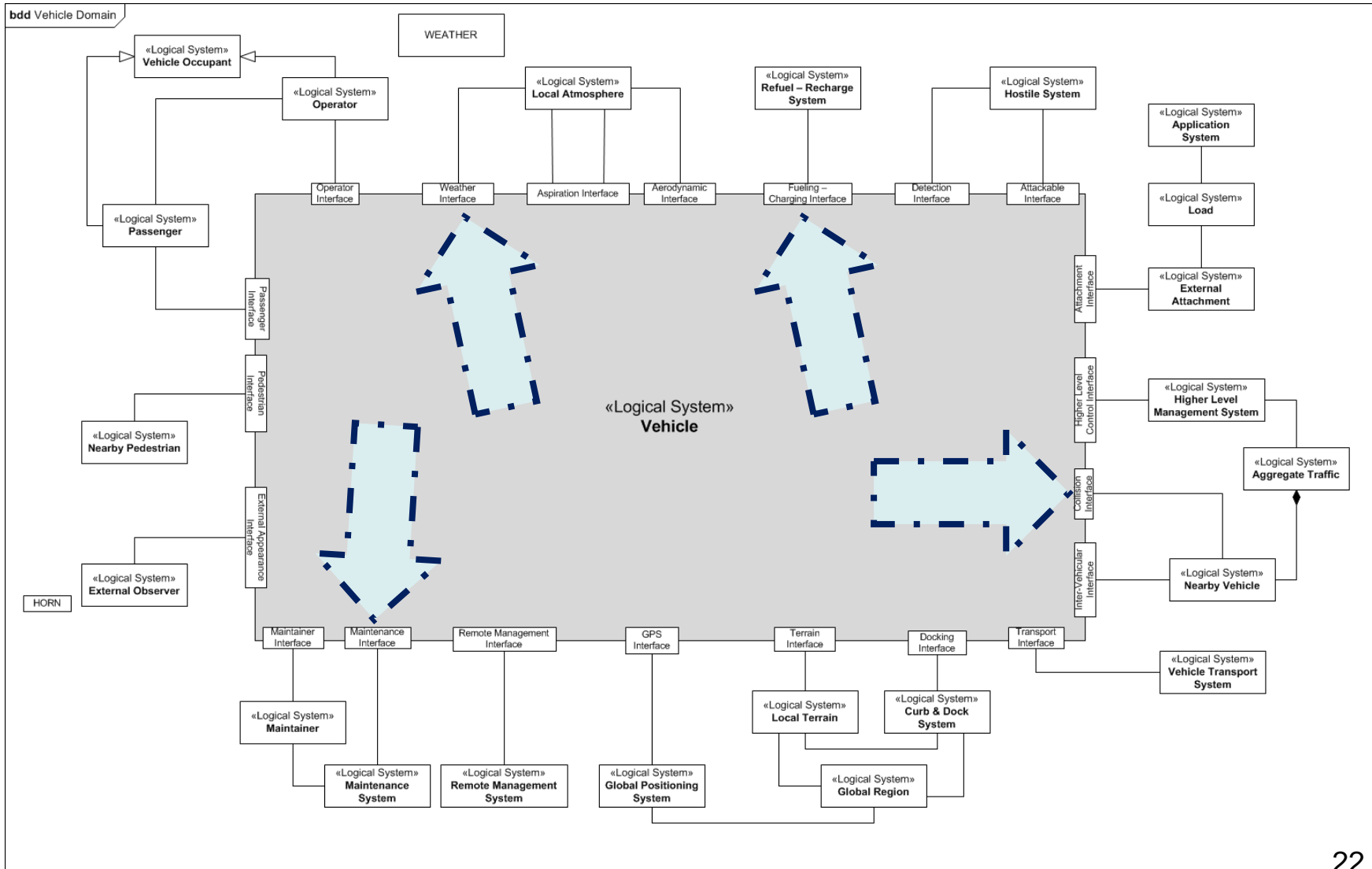
S*Models show that there are multiple interfaces between systems:



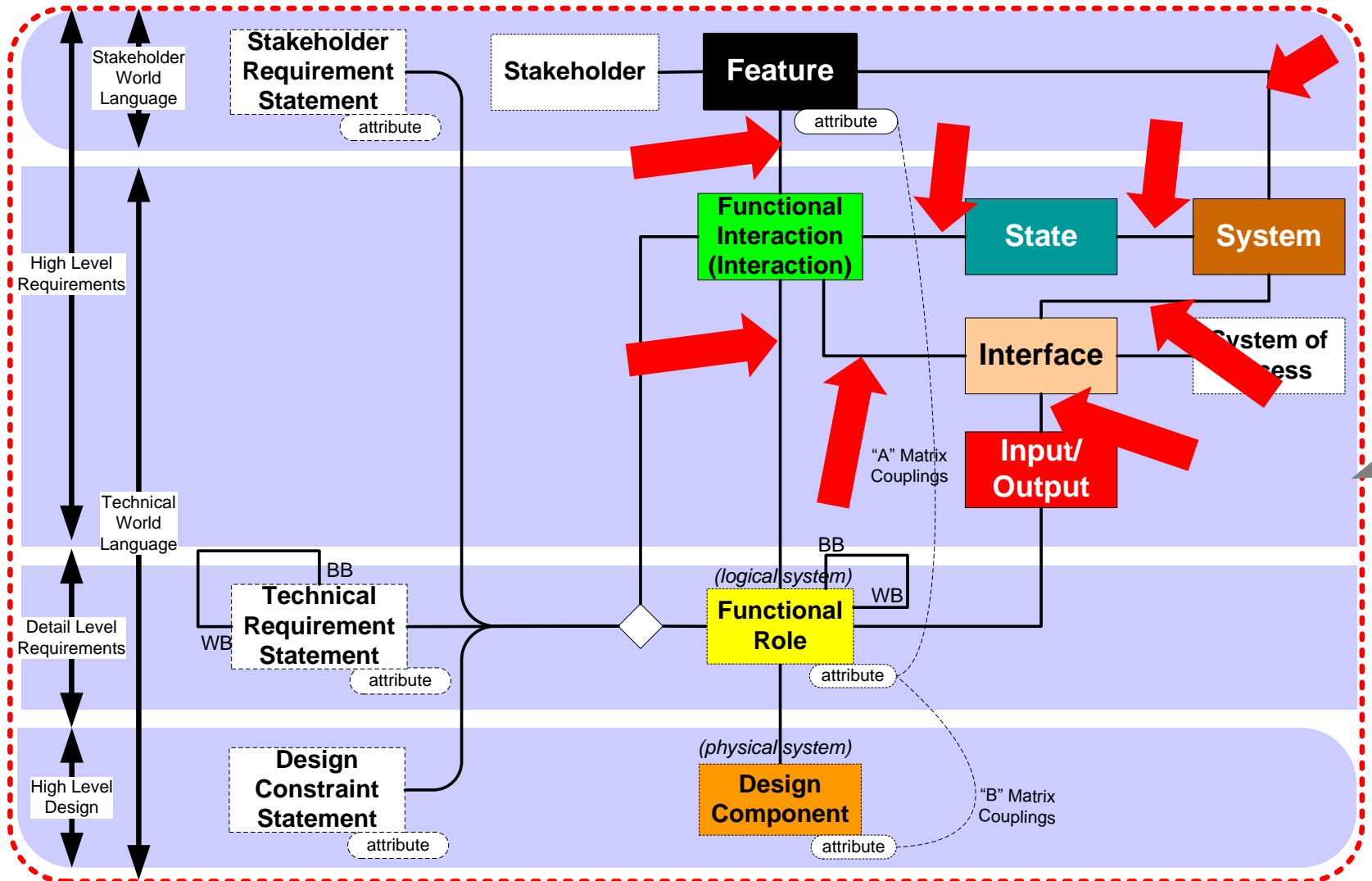
Systems of Access: Cabling, Hydraulic Lines, Internet, Mouse Driver, Pedals, Keyboard.



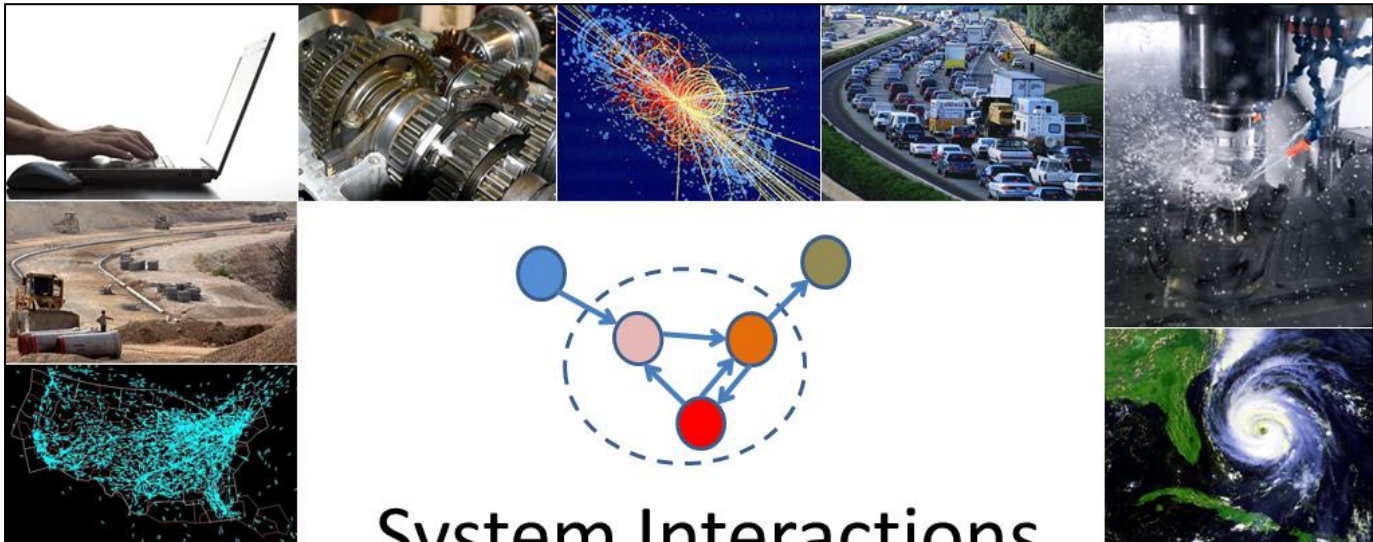
In S*Models, external Interfaces can appear at the edge of systems (i.e., in Domain Diagrams), and queries can be used to generate Interface Control Document (ICD) views.

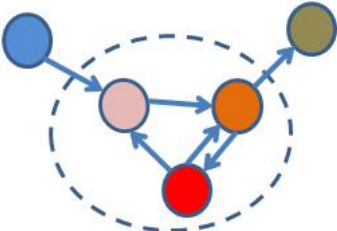


To be ready for a later section below, it is important to be very aware of the web of S*Relationships linking the classes we have been discussing (the lines in the S*Metamodel):



Criticality of modeled Interactions to the heart of MBSE, PBSE, science and engineering






System Interactions

Making the Heart of Systems More Visible

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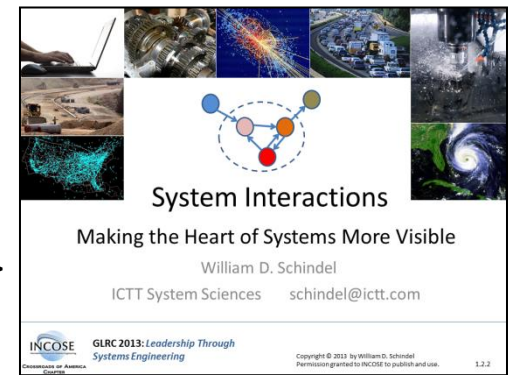

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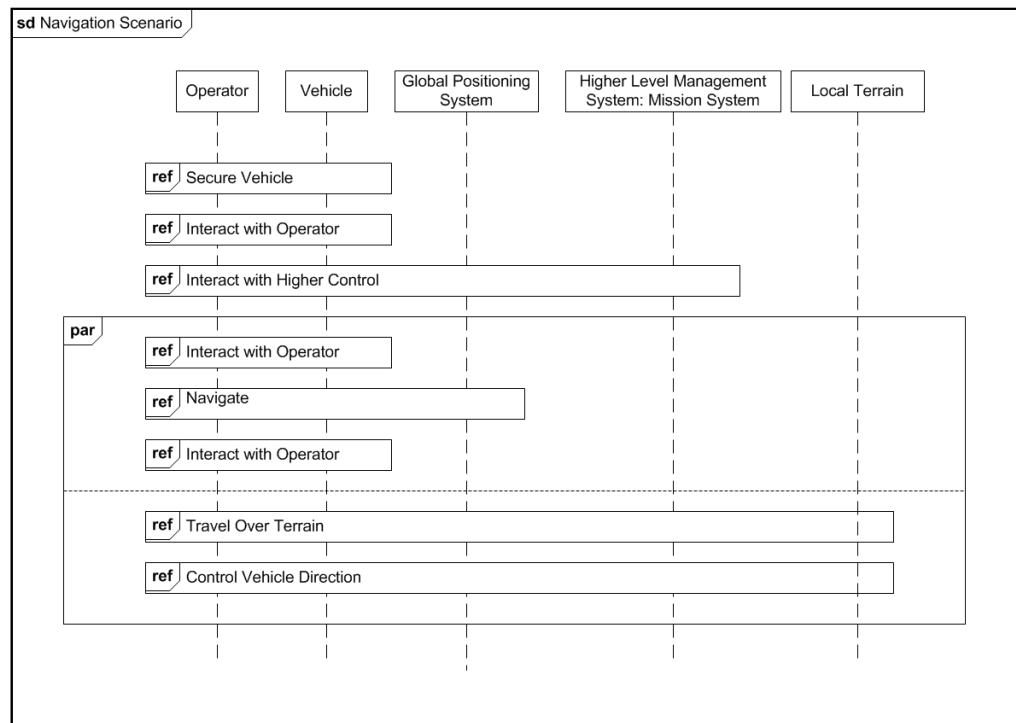
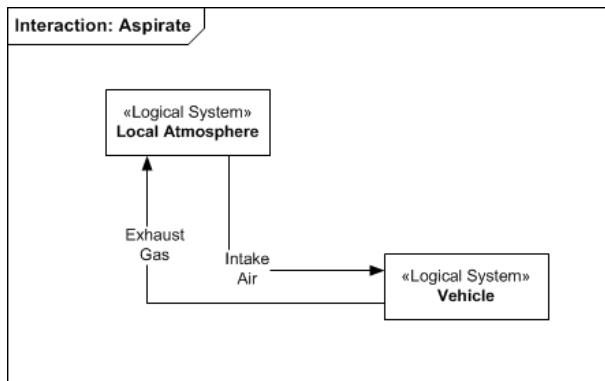


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- In a nutshell:
 - Physical interaction models provide the context for all the laws of the hard sciences (Newton, Maxwell, Boltzmann, etc.).
 - Explicit models of physical interactions are perfectly legal in MBSE models (collaboration, activity, etc.), but are frequently under-emphasized in them.
 - All physical behavior occurs in the context of interactions—there is no behavior we know except behavior in interactions.
 - All system “black box (BB) requirements” are descriptions of “one side” of behavior – what a subject system does during interactions.
 - Engineers frequently model only “one side”—what “my system does”, but not the overall interactions it has with its (equally active) environment.
 - This leads to missed assumptions and requirements.
 - To find all system BB requirements, find all system external Interactions.
 - These Interactions can be systematically discovered through three independent relational paths—through associated Interfaces (Actors), States (Modes), and (Stakeholder) Features; this enhances ability to discover more Interactions.
 - “White box interactions” are equally powerful representations of *design*.

Criticality of modeled Interactions to the heart of MBSE, PBSE, science and engineering

- The DLR model identifies what occurs during an individual Interaction, as an exchange of Energy, Force, Mass, or Information between interacting functional roles.
- Typical DLR model views include Collaboration Diagrams, Activity Diagrams, Timing Diagrams, FFBDs, etc.:



Understanding Requirements Statements as non-linear Transfer Functions

Session 11.2.1



Systems Engineering: Bridging Industry, Government and Academia

Requirements Statements Are Transfer Functions: An Insight from Model-Based Systems Engineering

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Abstract. Traditional systems engineering pays attention to careful composition of prose requirements statements. Even so, prose appears less than what is needed to advance the art of systems engineering into a theoretically-based engineering discipline comparable to Electrical, Mechanical, or Chemical Engineering. Ask three people to read a set of prose requirements statements, and a universal experience is that there will be three different impressions of their meaning. The rise of Model-Based Systems Engineering might suggest the demise of prose requirements, but we argue otherwise. This paper shows how prose requirements can be productively embedded in and a valued formal part of requirements models. This leads to the practice-impacting insight that requirements statements can be non-linear extensions of linear transfer functions, shows how their ambiguity can be further reduced using ordinary language, how their completeness or overlap more easily audited, and how they can be "understood" more completely by engineering tools.

Systems Engineering Prose

Traditional Requirements Discipline. Composing good requirements statements prose has a

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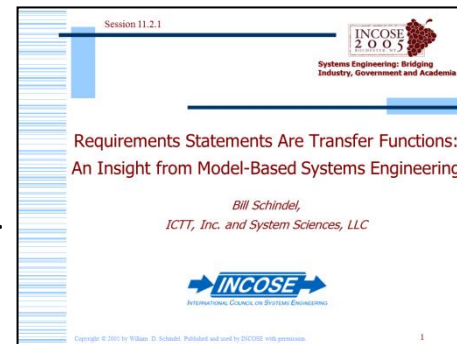


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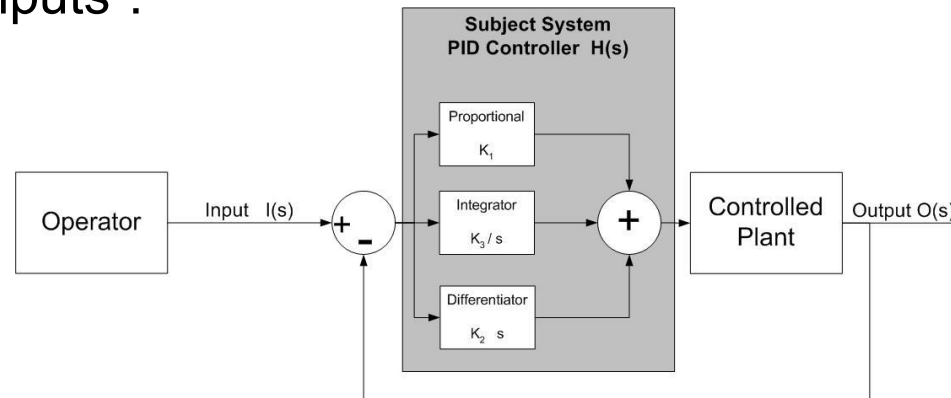
Understanding Requirements Statements as non-linear Transfer Functions

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- In a nutshell:

- The “Transfer Function” perspective of signals and systems fully characterizes the (externally visible) behavior of a system, as a sort of “ratio of outputs to inputs”:



$$H(s) = (K_1 + (K_2 s) + (K_3 / s))$$

- However, Transfer Functions are limited to linear systems, and describes their behavior in the frequency domain. Systems generally are not linear, and frequently not described by available mathematical equations!
- However, for general systems we can extend the idea of (linear) Transfer Functions, as a way to understand Requirement Statements . . .

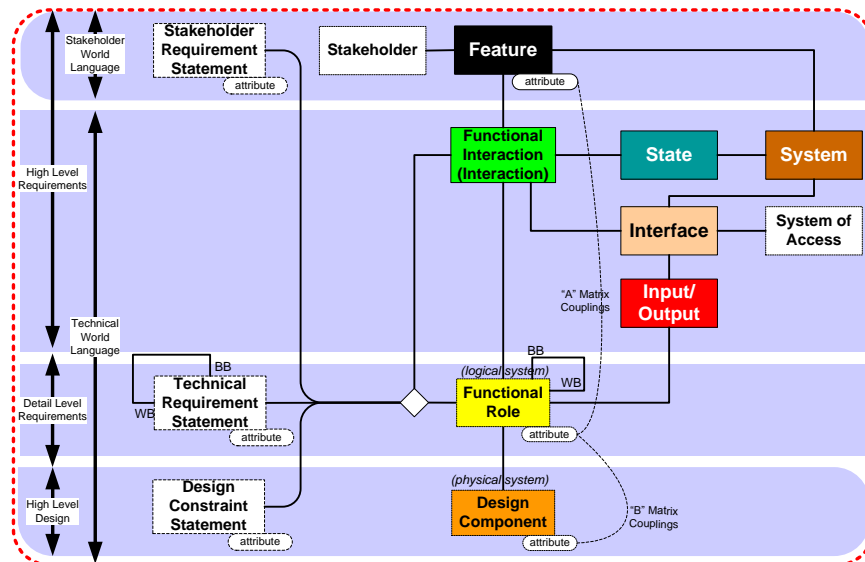
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- We can borrow a key idea from the “Transfer Function perspective”:
 - Characterizing a system’s behavior by stating the externally visible relationships between its inputs and outputs
 - In words, and only infrequently as equations, and often not in the frequency domain, and usually not linear.
- All Requirement Statements then become descriptions of relationships (quantitative, temporal, functional, statistical, etc.) between system inputs and outputs:
 - Offers a powerful way to understand that the only thing Requirements Statements can describe are those relationships, parameterized by requirements parameters (efficiency, delay, yield, reliability, capacity,³⁰ etc.)

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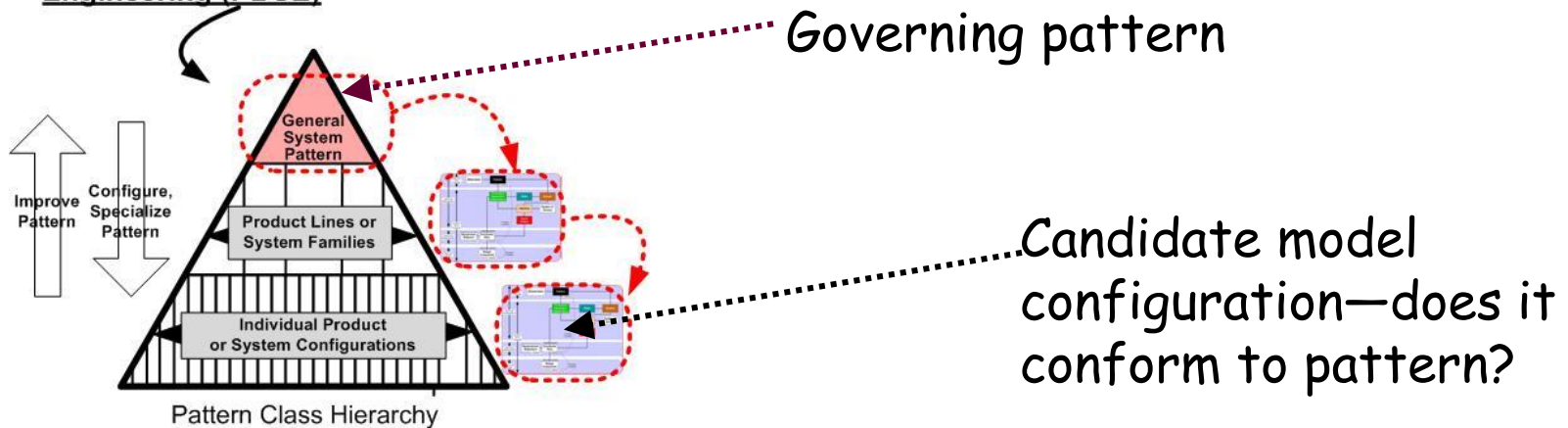
- The above three discussions were about a web of systemic relationships in the descriptions (models) of systems:
 1. Relationship webs in the HLR models of systems
 2. Relationship webs in the DLR models of systems
 3. Including understanding Requirement Statement prose as a form of input-output Relationship (non-linear Transfer Function)
- What does this tell us about patterns (repeating regularities) that are systemic patterns—not just patterns of parts?



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- Gestalt Rules express what is meant by holistic conformance to a system pattern:
 - Expressing regularities of whole things, versus same “parts”

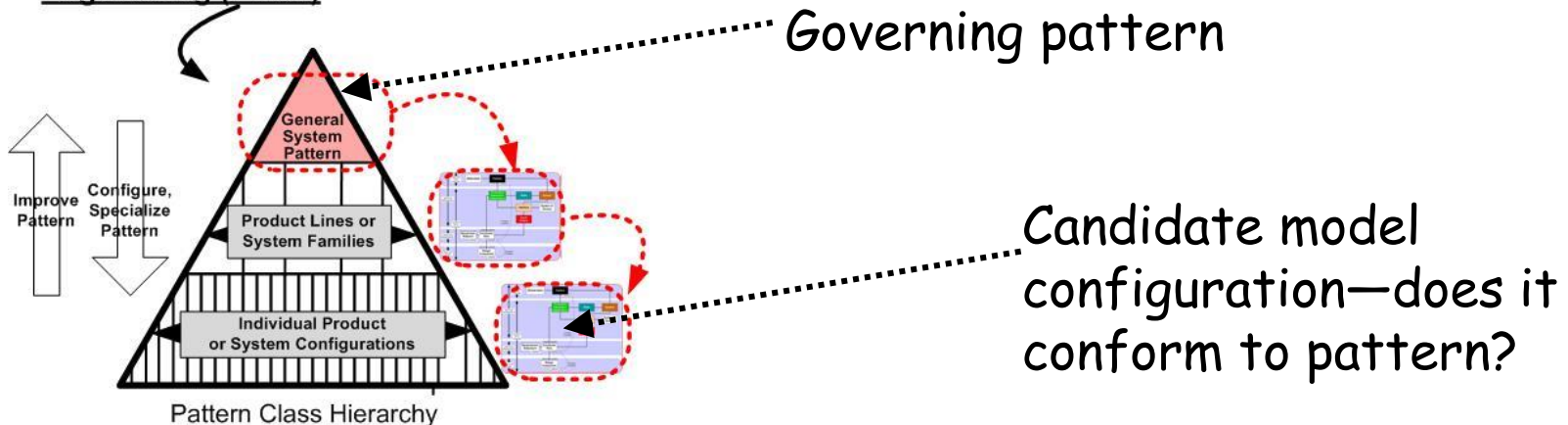
Pattern-Based Systems Engineering (PBSE)



The Gestalt Rules

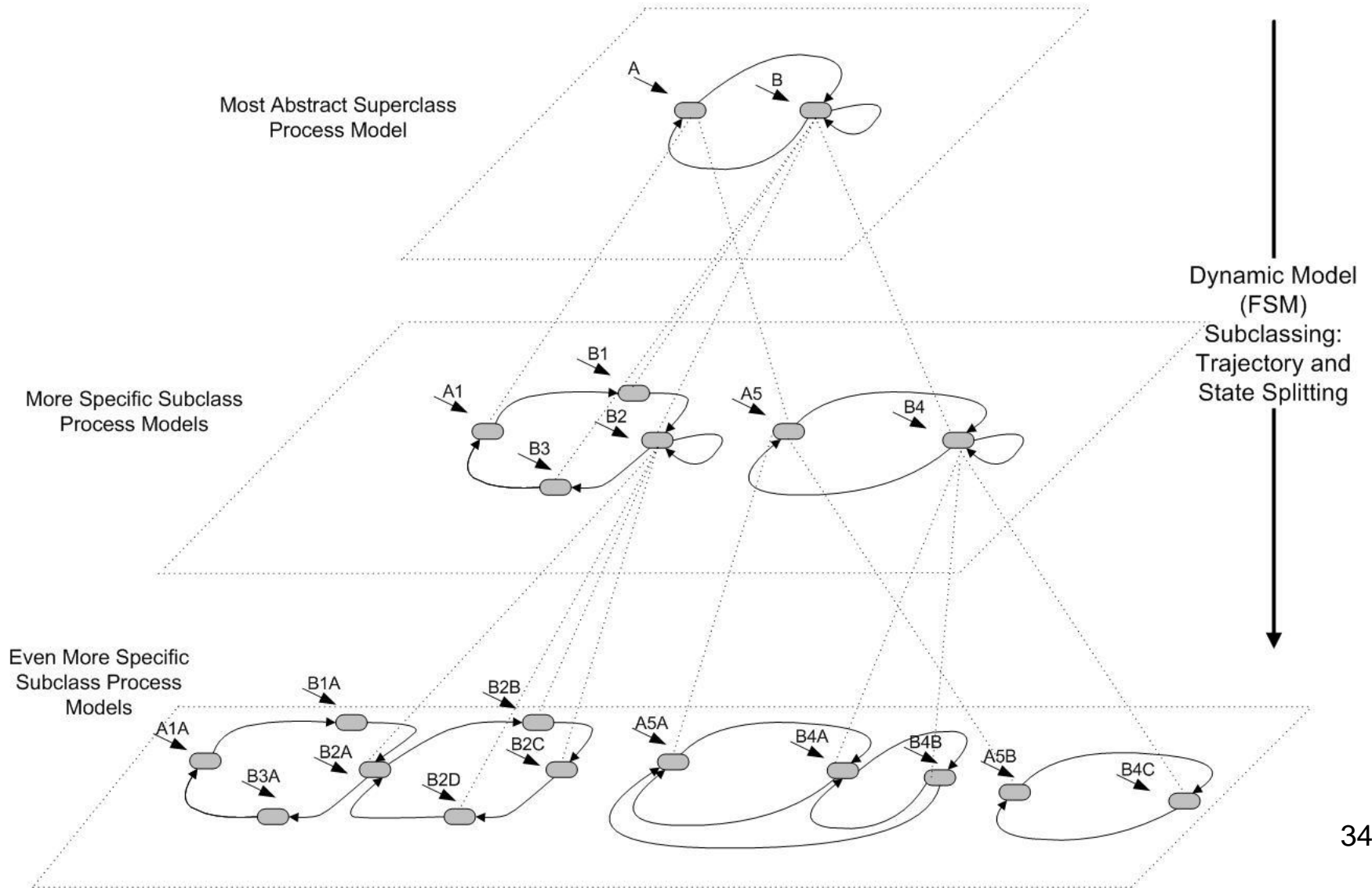
1. Every component class in the candidate model must be a subclass of a parent superclass in the pattern—no “orphan classes”.
2. Every relationship between component classes must be a subclass of a parent relationship in the pattern, and which must relate parent superclasses of those same component classes—no “orphan relationships”.
3. Refining the pattern superclasses and their relationships is a permissible way to achieve conformance to (1) and (2).

Pattern-Based Systems Engineering (PBSE)



Example: State Model Pattern—illustrates how *visual* is the “class splitting” and “relationship rubber banding” of the Gestalt Rules

Class Hierarchy of Dynamic Process Models (Finite State Machines)



Planning Discussion: Next and Future Activities

- Discussion of candidates for focus of Patterns Challenge Team meeting at IS2015 in July; meeting schedule for same
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