

# Introduction to SysML

## Part 9.0: SysML and Interoperability

With Examples using Magicdraw, ParaMagic and Syndeia

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# Learning Objectives

- ▶ Describe Use Cases where Systems Engineers can use SysML Models in combination with other engineering tools
- ▶ Describe how SysML supports those Use Cases

SIM

PLM

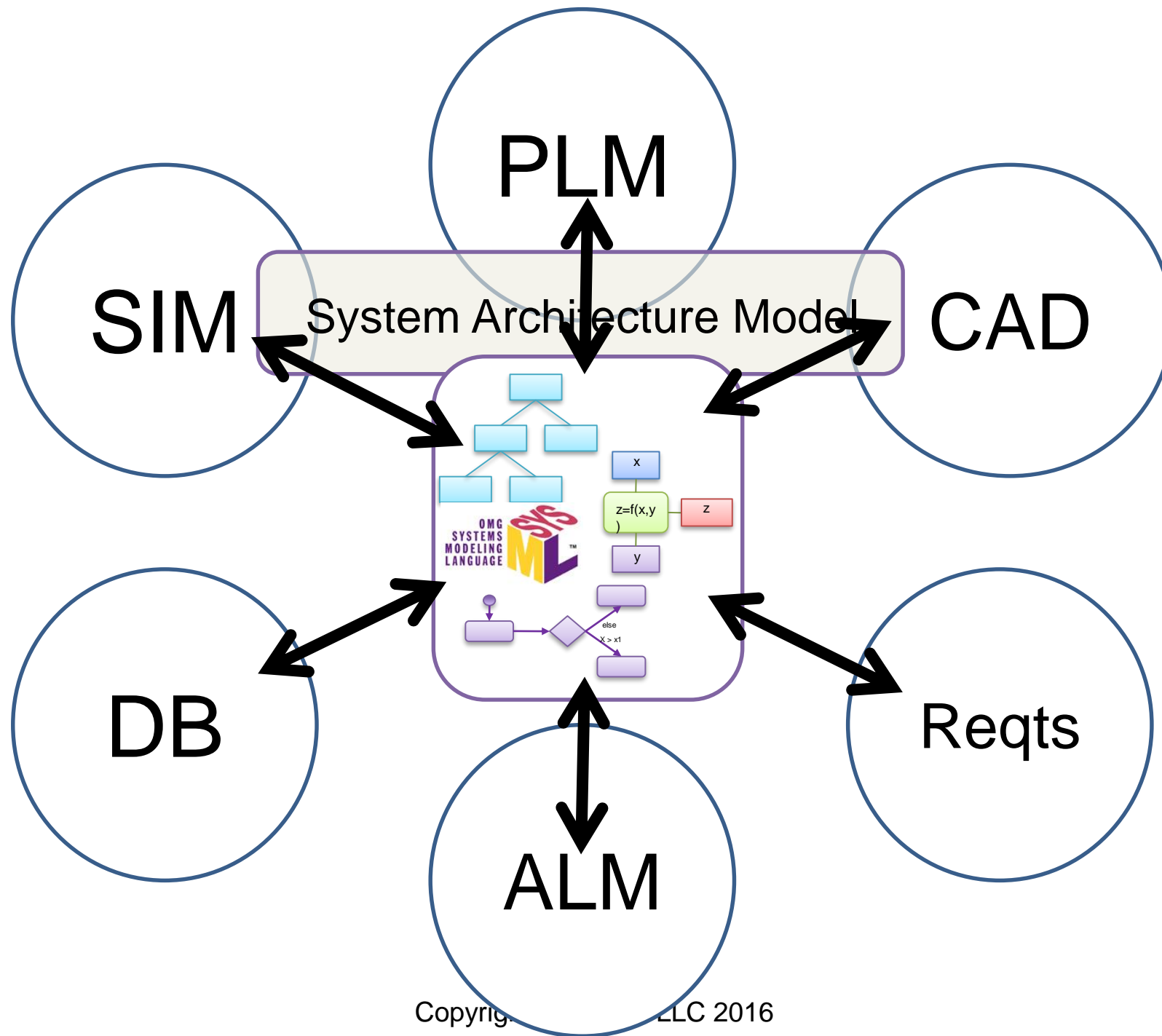
CAD

DB



Reqs

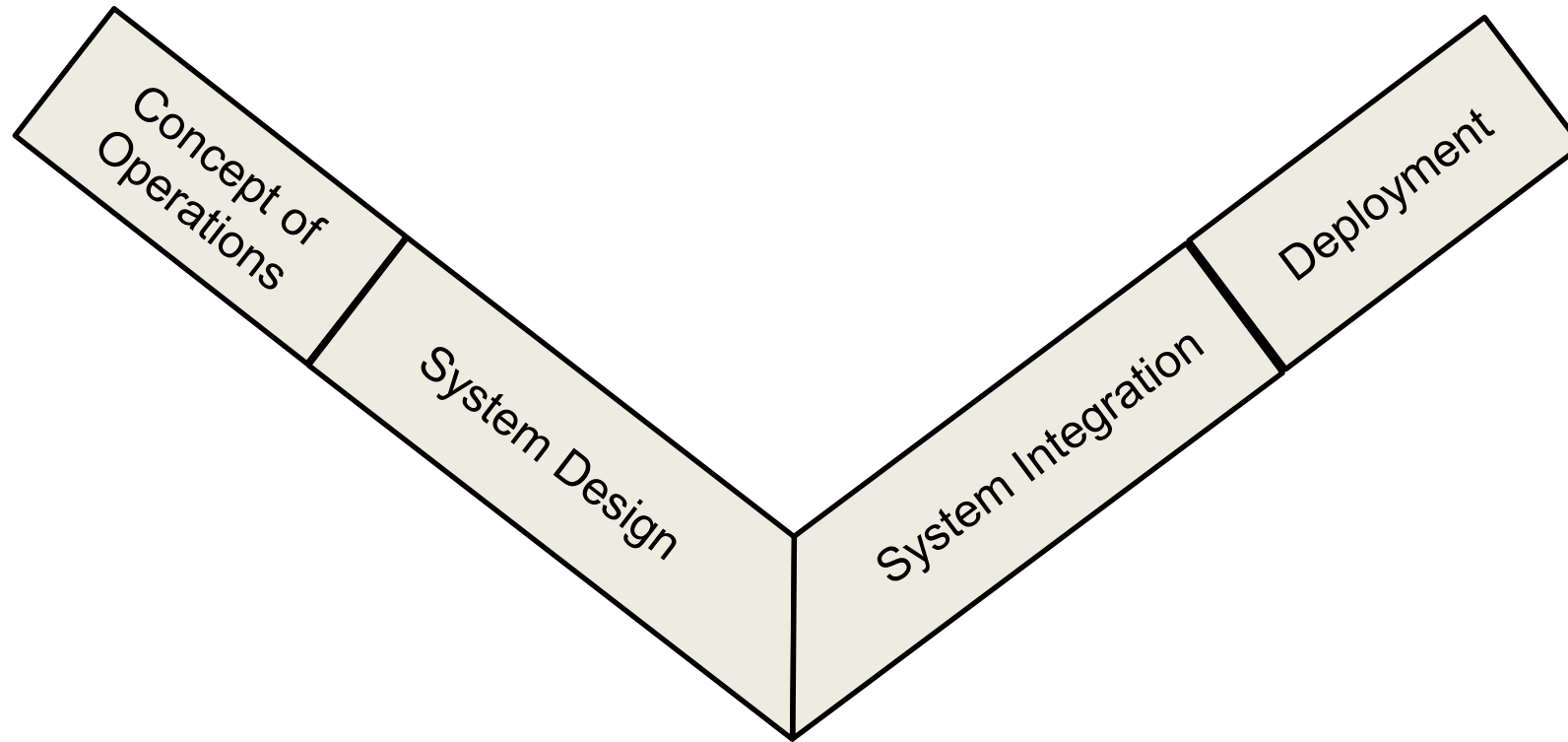
ALM



# Practical Issues in Interoperability

- Where does the data live?
- Who has access to it?
- How do you know when things change?
- Which is better, full vs piecemeal integration?
- What is the best way to query and visualize?

# Systems Engineering V Model



# Systems Engineering Use Cases

- **Requirements**
- **Architecture**

Pulling Requirements into SysML Model  
Pushing Requirements out to Domain Models  
Building SysML Models using Library Data  
Transforming SysML Models into Simulation Models  
Building PLM BoMs with SysML Models  
Orchestrating Simulations with SysML Models  
Evaluating Impact of Design Changes on Requirements  
Tracking Issues for Project Management  
Tracing Anomalies during Field Operation

► **Verification**  
► **Engineering & Project Mgmt**

Concept of  
Operations

System Design

System Integration

Deployment



# Requirements

## Pulling Requirements into the SysML Model

- Objectives: Pulling requirements into SysML model to
  - Build relationships with other system elements
  - Build relationships with requirements from other repositories
  - Connect requirements with verification analyses
- Approaches – connections with Reqt Mgmt tools, PLM, databases
- Issues – scaling, selective information transfer
- Example – Syndeia Teamcenter requirements import

# Requirements

## Pushing Requirements out to Domain Models

- Objectives: Pushing requirements from SysML model to
  - Design tools to establish design constraints
  - Analysis tools to establish test conditions
- Approaches – connections with CAD/CAE tools
- Issues – text-based requirements not enough
- Example – Syndeia MagicDraw to CAD requirements by geometry

## Architecture

# Building SysML Models using Library Data

- Objectives: Use existing data from PLM and databases
  - Build SysML part structures
  - Compare and update SysML model
- Approaches – connections with PLM and databases
- Issues – master ownership of data, access and security
- Example – Syndeia Windchill and MySQL to MagicDraw for UAV

# Architecture

## Building PLM BoMs with SysML Models

- Objectives: Use SysML part structure and requirements to
  - Seed PLM Bill of Materials
  - Compare and update SysML and PLM models
- Approaches – connections with PLM
- Issues – selective synching, customized PLM schemas
- Example – Syndeia MagicDraw to Teamcenter for UAV

## Verification

# Transforming SysML Models into Simulation Models

- Objectives: Use SysML activity and internal block diagrams to
  - Create simulation models
  - Compare and update SysML and simulation models
  - Reverse Use Case – sim models to SysML
- Approaches – connections with Simulation tools
- Issues – mapping concepts (e.g. ports, buses, item flows)
- Example – Syndeia MagicDraw to Simulink for UAV

## Verification

# Orchestrating Simulations with SysML Models

- Objectives: Use SysML parametric diagrams to
  - Orchestrate and execute simulation and analysis models
- Approaches – connections with simulation tools and math solvers
- Issues – generating trade studies and optimization problems
- Example – ParaMagic execution of Home Heating

## Verification

# Evaluating Impact of Design Changes on Requirements

- Objectives: Pull design parameters into SysML model to
  - Evaluate impact on system requirements
- Approaches – connections with CAD tools
- Issues – parameter conversion between different data models
- Example – Syndeia NX to MagicDraw import of car design

# Engineering & Project Mgmt.

## Tracking Issues for Project Management

- Objectives: Pull issue tracking info into SysML model to
  - Identify existing issues by part, function or reqt
- Approaches – connections with PM tools
- Issues – most important use cases?
- Example – Syndeia MagicDraw query to JIRA



## Engineering & Project Mgmt.

# Tracing Anomalies during Field Operation

- Objectives: Identify extended linkages from function to structure and requirements to
  - Identify source of problems during Field Operations
  - Identify impact of requirement changes on design
- Approaches – connections with all external tools and repositories
- Issues – connection storage, graph databases, visualization
- Example – next-generation interoperability visualizations

# Simulink

# SysML

# Teamcenter

# Windchill

# MySQL

# Recap

- ▶ At the end of the lecture/demonstration, you should be able to
  - ▶ Identify some of the key use cases where you, as a Systems Engineer, need to connect your Systems Architecture model with Domain models
  - ▶ Describe the role that these issues play
    - ▶ Visualization
    - ▶ Data access and security
    - ▶ Conceptual mapping
    - ▶ Selective synchronization
  - ▶ Discuss benefits and costs of interoperability

# Questions?

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