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Presenters Bio

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Contributions

1st – Comprehensive Digital Engineering Environment (DEE) Architecture Model

1st - F/A-18 Bunker Buster Desert Storm

35th – Certified Software CMM Level 4 Org.

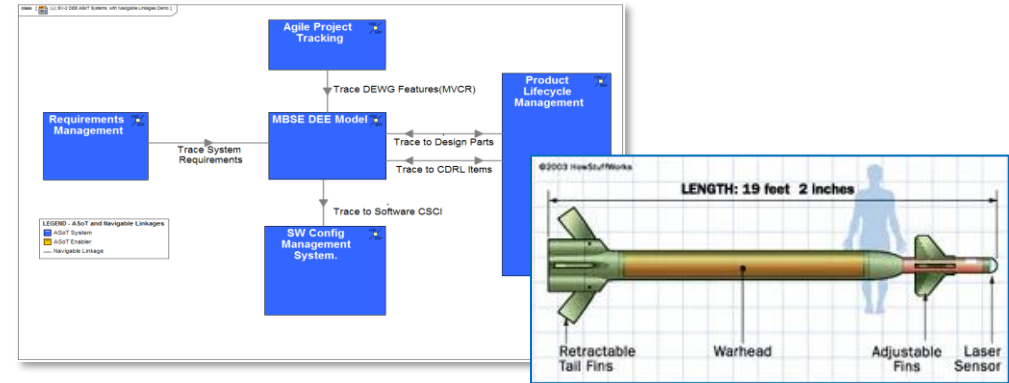
89A to 12C F/A-18 Operational Flight Program Avionics Upgrades

Work Experience

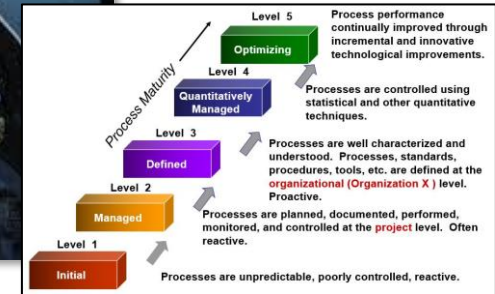
37 years - Software & System Engineering

Education & Certifications

- UCLS Executive Leadership Program
- MIT MBSE, SAFe ARCH, 6-Sigma, Covey
- BS. Computer Science Clarke College



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Agenda

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- **Purpose** – What does the Digital Engineering Environment (DEE) produce and deliver?
- **Concept of Operations (ConOps)** – How do users interact with the DEE?
- **ASoTs** – Where is the product configuration baseline managed and controlled?
- **Data Model** – How is the product baseline stored in the ASoTs?
- **Digital Thread** – What is linked together to create the product baseline?
- **Summarize** – Lessons learned

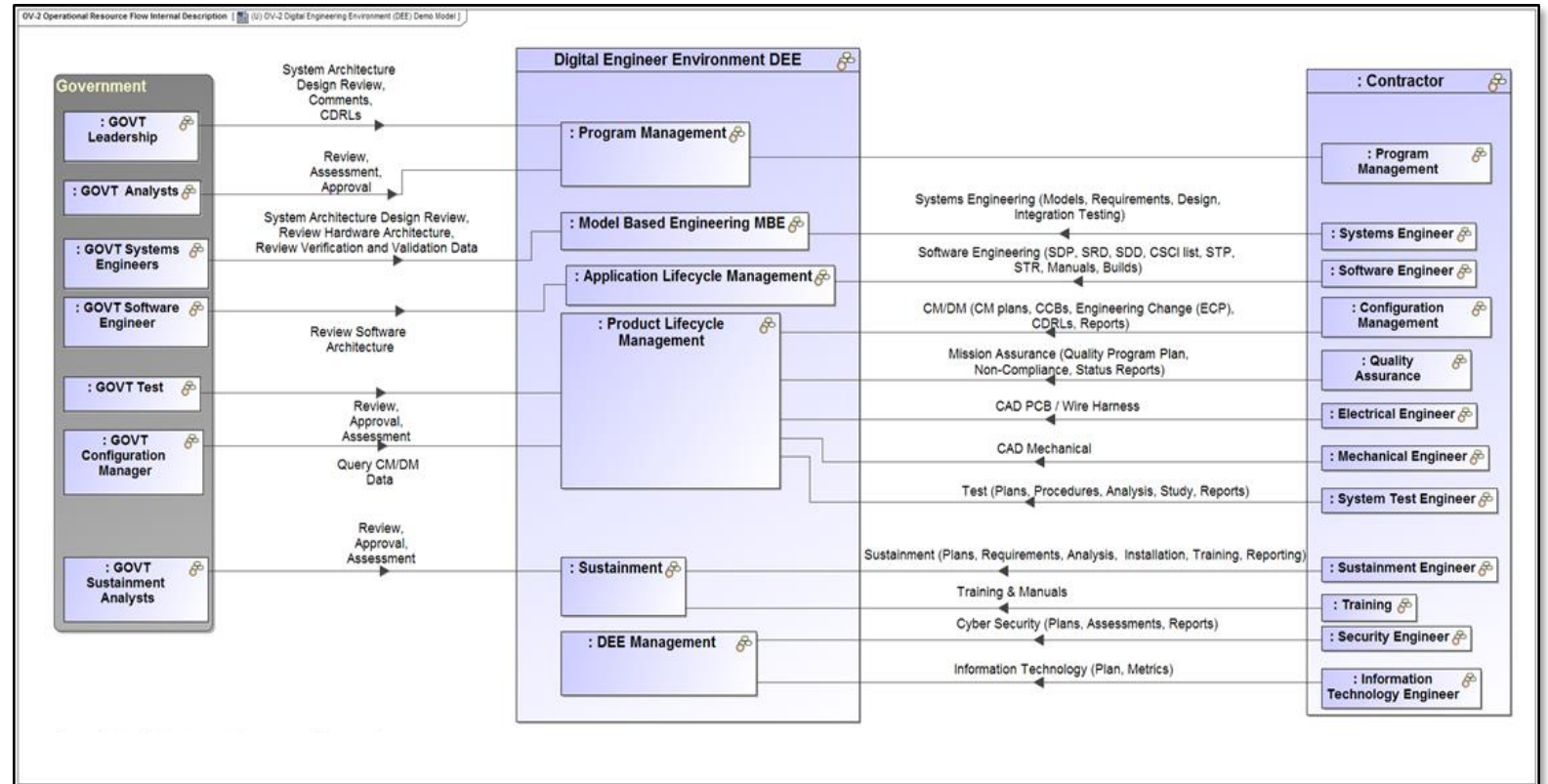
MBSE diagrams are simplified to highlight topic of modeling digital threads

Purpose – What is the purpose of your Digital Engineering Environment?

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- **Product Baseline** – drives system design, manufacturing, and sustainment
- **Contract Deliverables** – CDRs drive definition of product baseline and digital thread
- **Digital Thread** – electronic threads created to support definition of product baseline

OV-2 – DEE Customer and Supplier Exchanges



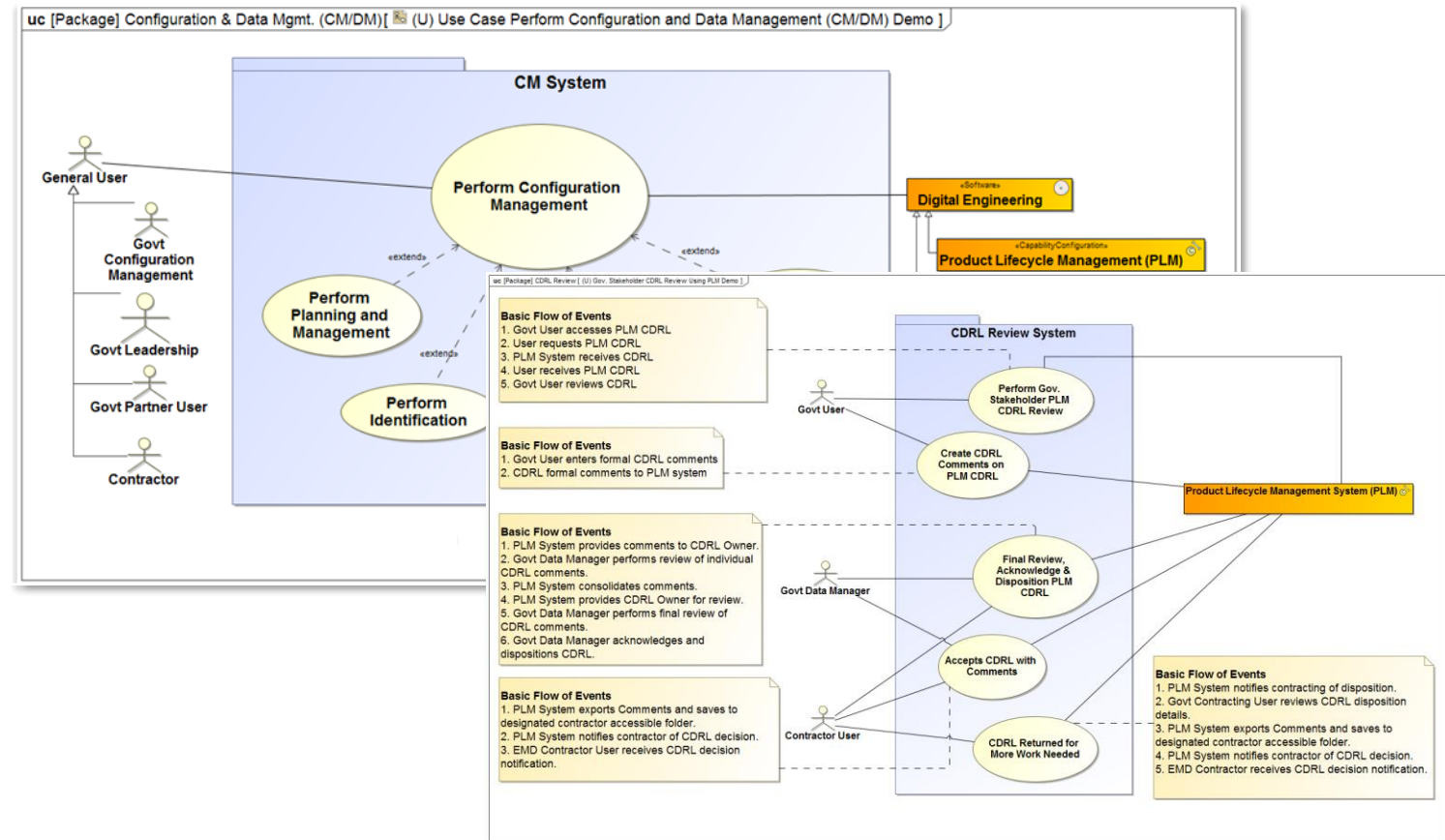
Government CDRs helped define the product baseline and deliverables reviewed

Use Cases – How do users interact with the DEE?

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- **Use Cases** – critical to understanding the creation, update, and maintenance of product baseline
- **User Roles** – model user interaction with DEE ASoT Systems
- **Use Cases** – are critical to analyzing, documenting, and agreeing on how users will interact with the DEE

Use Case - CDRL Review Process



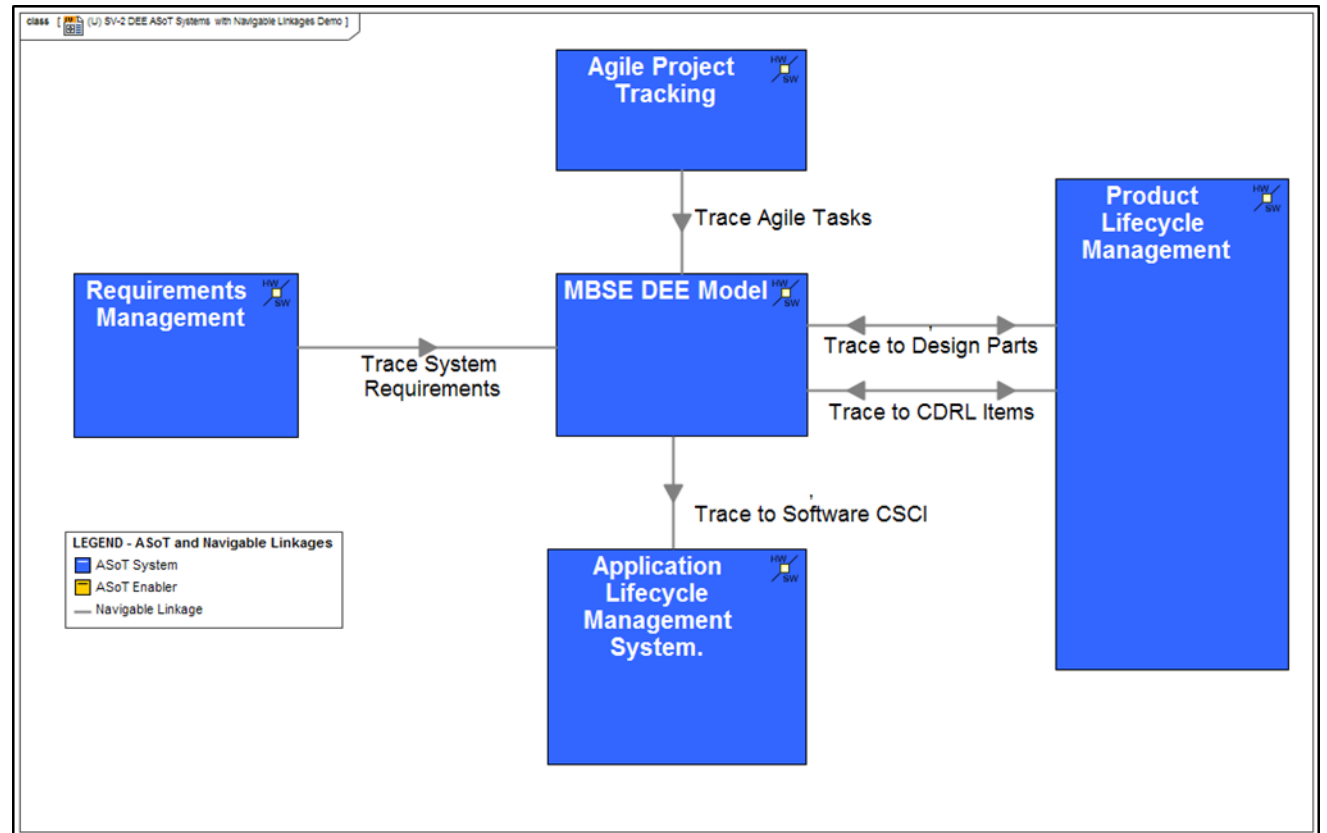
Explore user interaction with DEE to perform critical processes

ASoT Models – What Authoritative Sources of Truth (ASoT)?

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- **ASoT** – What Authoritative Sources of Truth (ASoT) Systems exist in the DEE?
- **ASoT Governance** – collectively identify, audit, maintain, and manage ASoT systems
- **Product Baseline** – Need to know what data in ASoT system forms the product baseline
- **Digital Linkages between ASoTs** – Identify critical digital threads that form product baseline internal and external to ASoTs
- **ASoT Systems** – manage and control the product baseline for the program.

SV-2 – ASoT Systems and Navigable Linkage Diagram

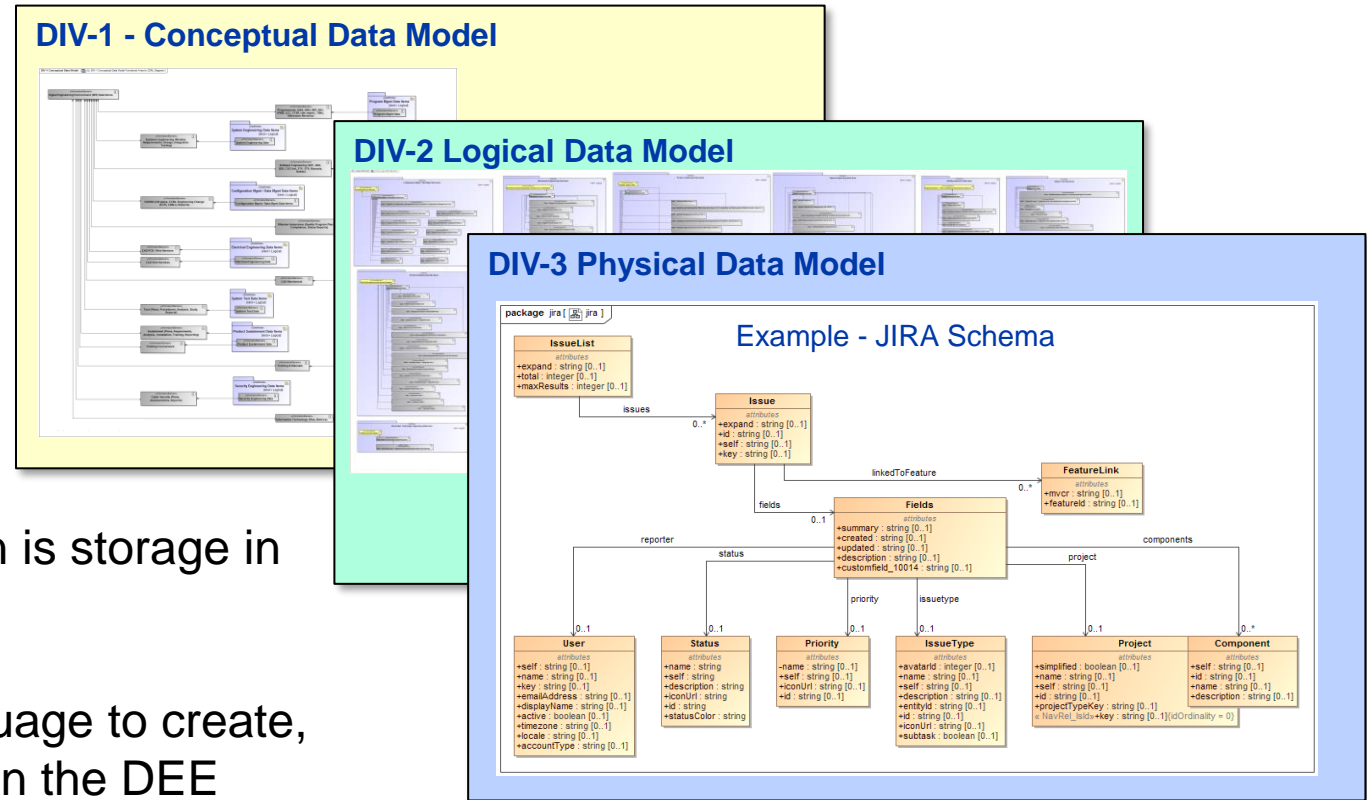


Clearly define and model ASoT systems used in the DEE

Data Models – How is the product baseline stored in ASoT systems?

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- **Data Models** – Describes how the product baseline is stored in ASoT Systems
- **Conceptual** – Depicts how the customer and supplier exchange product information
- **Logical** – Depicts which supplier roles produce what product information
- **Physical** – Depicts how the product information is storage in the native ASoT Metadata
- **Common Data Model** – forms a common language to create, retrieve, search, and modify digital information in the DEE

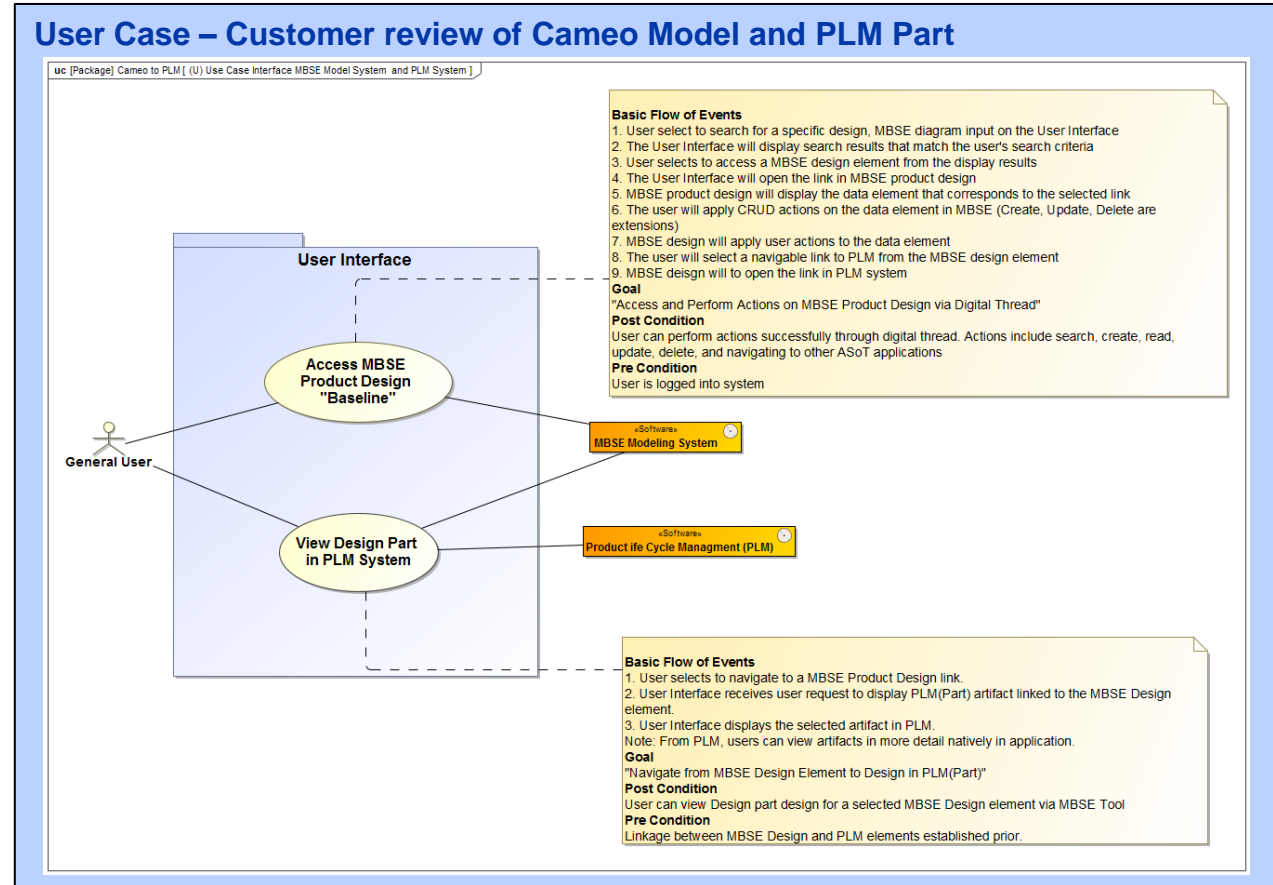


- Clearly define and model the data model (Conceptual, Logical, Physical)
 - Common Data Model - Automate discovery and generation

Digital Thread Models – What digital threads exist between ASoT Systems?

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- **Example (Part):** Modeling digital thread between MBSE product model(Element) and PLM(Part)
- **Use Case –** The customer needs to review MBSE product model and related PLM(Part) Information
- **Structure –** Modeling structure of a digital thread between (MBSE(Element) and PLM(Part)
- **Data Model –** Physical attributes to be linked between MBSE product(Element) and PLM(Part) metadata fields

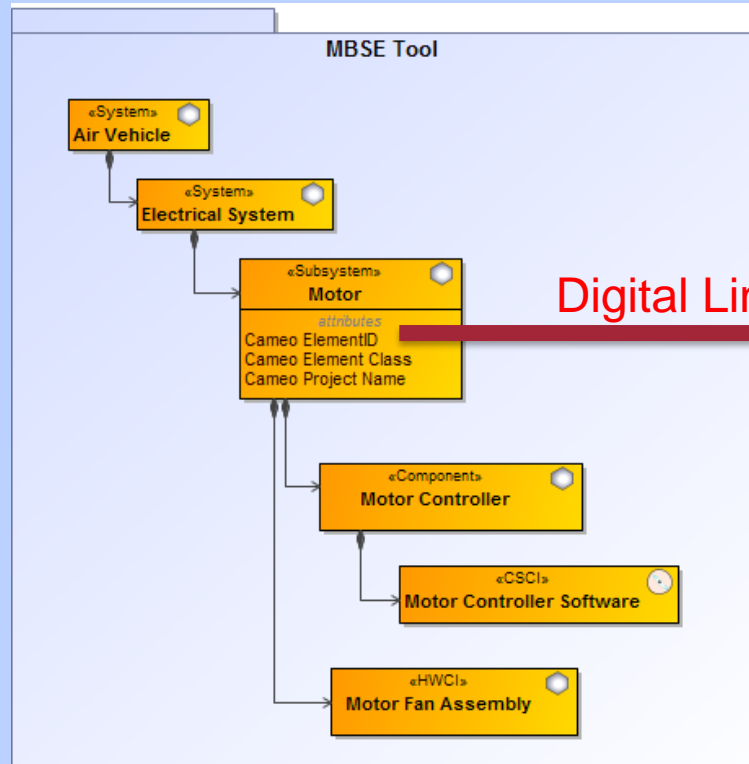


Use Cases - help analyzed, documented, and agree on customer needs

Digital Thread Models – How do I create a digital thread between Model(Element) and PLM(Part) ?

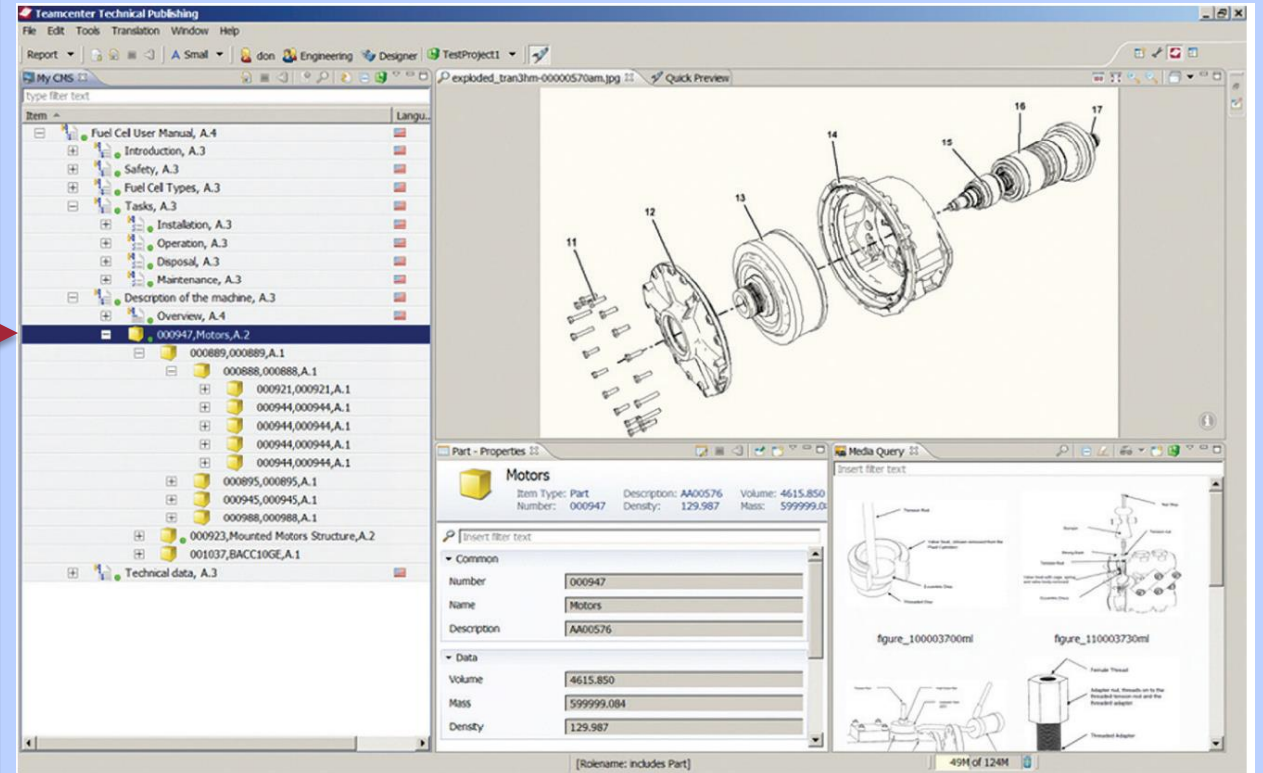
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MBSE Product Design Model



Digital Linkage (Trace)

PLM Technical Publishing Solutions Example



Reference – Teamcenter Technical Publishing Solutions © 2017 Siemens Product Lifecycle Management Software Inc.

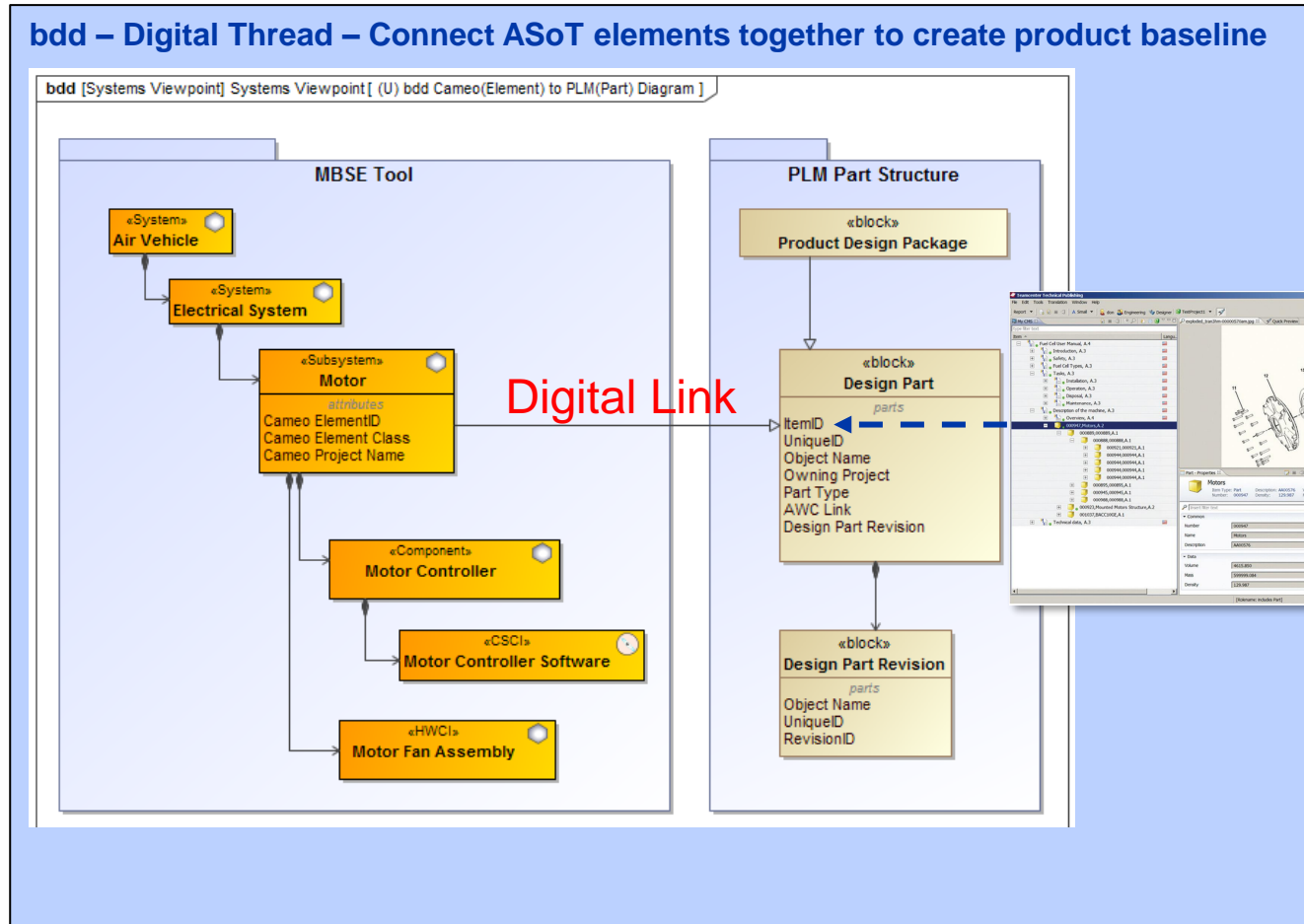
Digital Thread requires detailed knowledge of ASoT system metadata

Digital Thread Models – What digital threads exist between ASoT Systems? (Continued)

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Modeling Digital Thread:

- **Product Linkage** – determine if the linkage is critical to the product baseline.
- **ASoT Linkage** – Identify the physical data attributes which will be linked.
- **Define type of linkage** – SysML level associations (*Association, Generalization, Satisfy, Derive, Trace, Verify, Refine*)
- **Automation** – Determine ability to automate digital linkage

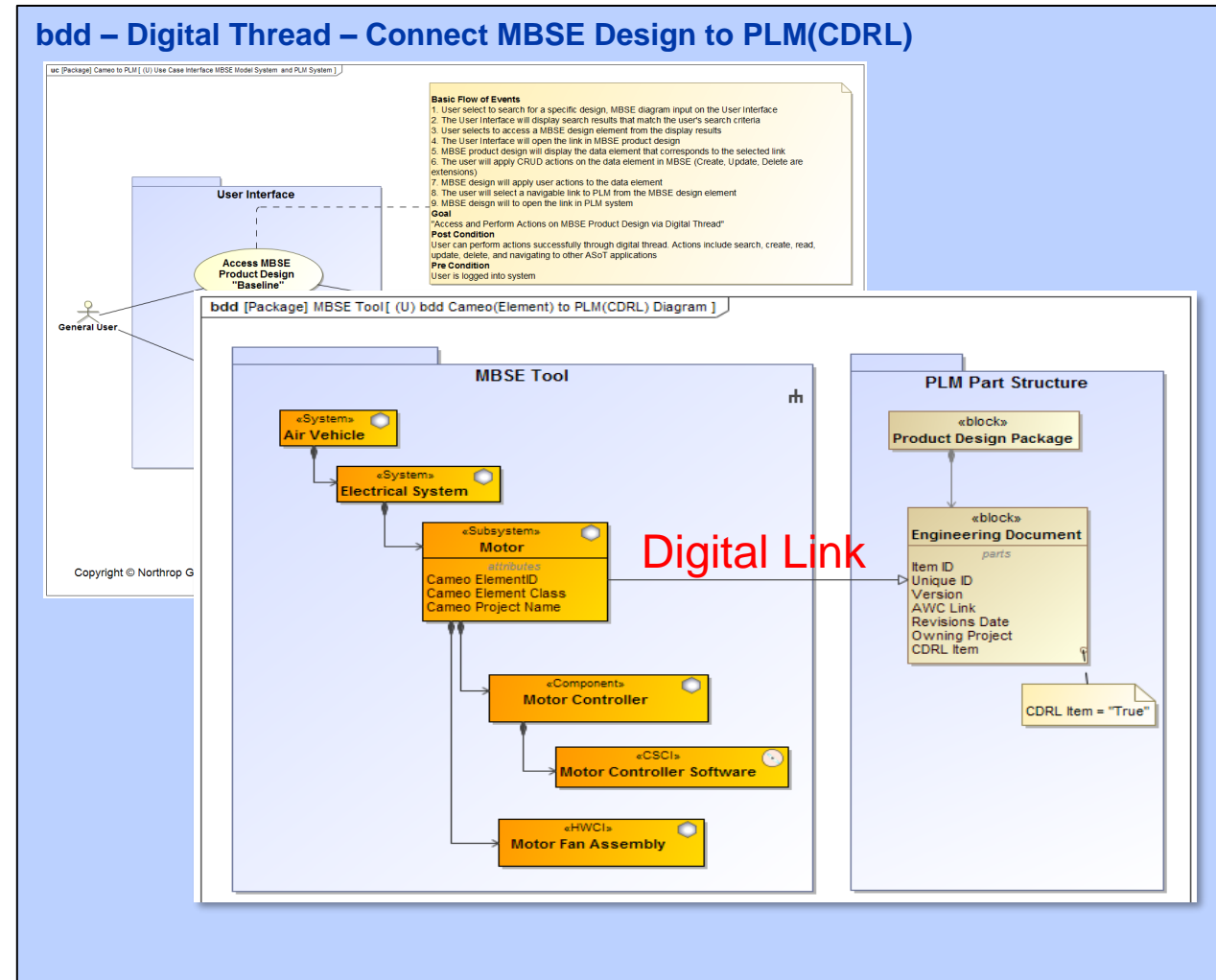


ASoT Systems data models are complex to navigate with multiple trees and branches

Digital Thread Models – How do I create a digital thread between Model(Element) and PLM(CDRL) ?

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- **Example (CDRL):** Modeling digital thread between MBSE product model and PLM CDRLs
- **Use Case –** The customer needs to review MBSE product model and related CDRLs
- **Structure –** Modeling structure of a digital thread between MBSE(element) and PLM(CDRL)
- **Data Model –** physical data model depicts MBSE product structure and PLM metadata fields of CDRL data items



Summary

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- **Purpose**
 - **Digital Thread** – Electronic threads created primarily to support definition of product baseline
- **Concept of Operations (ConOps)**
 - **Use Cases** – are critical to analyzing, document, and agreeing on how users will interact with the DEE.
- **ASoTs**
 - **ASoT Systems** – Manage and control the product baseline for the program.
- **Data Model**
 - **Data Models** – Clearly define and model ASoT System data (e.g. Conceptual, Logical, Physical)
 - **Common Data Model** - Automate discovery and generation of CDM
- **Digital Thread**
 - **Modeling Digital Threads** - 1) Define user needs, 2) Clarify ASoT data linkage, 3) Define type of link, 4) Determine ability to automate digital linkage

Questions?

Thank you for attending the presentation!

I hope you found some useful tips and examples for your MBSE projects