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# Pattern-Based Systems Engineering (PBSE) speed - leverage - knowledge



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- INCOSE thought leaders have discussed the growing need to address 10:1 more complex systems with 1:10 reduction in effort, using people from a 10:1 larger community than the "systems expert" group
- Many SE efforts are in some way concerned with growing complexity, but none give evidence of the sweeping orderof-magnitude improvements demanded by this call-to-arms.
- PBSE is a methodical way to achieve this order-of-magnitude improvement















Innovation Process

- Shifting from historical emphasis on the SE Process . . . .
  - To emphasis on Model Information flowing through that process.

**NCOSE** PBSE Enablers: Model-Based Systems Engineering (MBSE)

- MBSE as "the *formalized application of modeling* to support system requirements, design, analysis, verification and validation activities
- MBSE is part of a long-term trend toward <u>model-centric approaches</u> adopted by other engineering disciplines, including mechanical, electrical and software.
- MBSE is expected to replace the document-centric approach and to <u>influence the future practice</u> of systems engineering
- MBSE is expected to <u>provide significant benefits</u> over the document centric approach by enhancing productivity and quality, reducing risk, and providing improved communications among the system development team.

http://www.omgwiki.org/MBSE/doku.php









• The term "pattern" appears repeatedly in the history of design, such as civil architecture, software design, and systems engineering:



- Those "patterns" represent regularities that repeat, modulo some variable aspects, across different instances in space and time.
- Various forms of representation.
- However, when we refer to "PBSE" in this presentation, we will mean the use of <u>S\*Patterns</u>....



- <u>Discovering regularities and how to represent them</u> has been at the heart of science and engineering progress:
  - During 2012-13, the INCOSE System Sciences Working Group (SSWG) bridged related interests of engineering and science.
  - The INCOSE Patterns Challenge Team of the MBSE Initiative formed in 2013, performed Wave 1 projects in 2014, starting Wave 2 projects in 2015.
- <u>Ability to manage risk and adapt</u> are related to our <u>awareness</u> and <u>understanding</u> of the <u>regularities</u> (patterns) around us:
  - Whether in the systems we engineer, or the markets and operational environments in which their life cycle unfolds.
  - They exert "forces" on us, whether are aware of them or not.

**What repeating regularities are of interest?** 

- Smaller-Scale Regularities:
  - Patterns of Stakeholder Features (e.g., in vehicles, energy systems, etc.)
  - Patterns of Requirements
  - Patterns of Design Solutions
  - Patterns of Failure Modes and Effects
  - Patterns of Functional Roles, Interactions, States
  - Patterns of Interfaces, Input-Outputs, and Access
  - Patterns of Technologies
- Larger-Scale Regularities:
  - Patterns of how all the above are related to each other
  - Patterns in couplings across systems, domains, SOS's
  - Systems of Material Handling, Production, Distribution, Sustainment
  - Systems of Innovation
  - Patterns of Systems Pathologies







- Hardly! Lack of awareness of these regular patterns leaves products, programs, enterprises at serious risk:
  - Re-experiencing the same mis-steps and reworks;
  - Just because we have made one system work, how do we know what will happen when we deploy more of them, as markets, conditions, & technologies evolve?
  - Just because our system has human experts on hand today, how do we know what will happen when they move on?
- Example cases and responses:
  - FDA push to the pharmaceutical manufacturing industry to improve the sciencebased understanding of underlying process transformations, provable ranges, and control strategies, etc.
  - The generation of system requirements families for globally-deployed product families and their production, distribution, and support systems.
  - The generation of system verification plans from underlying patterns of system requirements.
  - The use of System Patterns to generate Risk Analyses (e.g., FMEAs, etc.) for a variety of domain systems.



# COSE "Chance favors the prepared mind" - Louis Pasteur

- Explicit patterns help us organize what we know--as well as what we don't.
- Explicit preparation for:
  - System & program risks
  - Market & competitive shifts
  - New science & technology
  - Life cycle extensions
- Adaptability!







- Explicit pattern awareness helps us to:
  - Recognize the situation has changed.
  - Know the best alternate pattern configuration.







Irrationality: Human beings' behaviorally-preferred mode?

- A broad issue across human life:
  - The science of irrationality
  - Daniel Kahneman, Nobel Laureate, "Thinking, Fast and Slow")
  - "Moneyball", Oakland A's, Billy Beane.
- Engineering teams more rational than others?
  - Ever encounter a bad decision?
  - A significant fraction of requirements are left unstated
- Patterns existing in Nature do not mean the patterns are recognized by humans





- "Domain experts" internalize patterns:
  - These human experts influence our projects, using their experience, intuition, informed judgment.





- The regularities are "out there", whether we represent them or not:
  - In particular, they impact our ability to deal with uncertainty and adaptability.
- We use the term <u>Dark Pattern</u> to refer to system regularities that have <u>not</u> been explicitly represented:
  - They are in a sense "invisible", but still impact our systems, customers, programs, enterprises, institutions, and society.
- By contrast, when we represent those System Patterns formally, they become "visible", as <u>Explicit Patterns</u>:
  - Our method for doing this is Pattern-Based Systems Engineering (PBSE);
  - PBSE is an extension of Model-Based Systems Engineering (MBSE);
  - PBSE creates and applies configurable, re-usable models, called <u>Patterns;</u>
  - They typically include much more than just the "subject system".



- Most systems programs involve Patterns, such as:
  - Patterns of available technologies and parts
  - Patterns of candidate solution architectures
  - Patterns of interfaces
  - Patterns of system states or modes
  - Patterns of customers, or market expectations
  - Patterns of competitive offerings
  - Patterns of system failures modes and effects
- Most systems engineering efforts—even model-based--still occur without use of explicit Pattern-Based methods:
  - This is the world of Dark Patterns.
  - Example: Nearly universally missed requirements.
- Explicit Patterns prepare us to adapt by describing key objects, relationships, and variables—including multiple types of risk.



- What is the smallest amount of information we need to represent these regularities?
  - Some people have used prose to describe system regularities.
  - This is better than nothing, but usually not enough to deal with complex systems.
- We use S\* Models, which are the minimum model-based information necessary:
  - This is not a matter of modeling language—your current favorite language and tools can readily be used for S\* Models.
  - The minimum <u>underlying information classes</u> are summarized in the S\* Metamodel, for use in any modeling language.
- The resulting system model is made configurable and reusable, thereby becoming an S\* <u>Pattern</u>.

# **INCOSE** Pattern-Based Systems Engineering (PBSE)

 S\*Patterns are formally configurable, using automated algorithms, portable across numerous third-party COTS engineering tools and databases, to rapidly generate many specific system requirement/design configurations (including failure mode analyses) from desired platform features:





- The PBSE approach respects the systems engineering tradition, body of knowledge, and historical lessons, while providing a <u>high-gain path forward</u>.
- An <u>S\* Pattern</u> is a configurable, re-usable <u>S\* Model</u> (S\*Metamodel compliant). It is an extension of the idea of a Platform (which is a configurable, re-usable design). The Pattern includes not only the Platform, but all the extended system information (e.g., requirements, risk analysis, design trade-offs & alternatives, decision processes, etc.):



- By including the appropriate S\* Metamodel concepts, these can readily be managed in (SysML or other) preferred modeling languages and tools—the ideas involved here are not specific to a modeling language or specific tool.
- The order-of-magnitude changes have been realized because projects that use PBSE rapidly start from an existing Pattern, gaining the advantages of its content, and feed the pattern with what they learn, for future users.
- The "game changer" here is the shift from "learning to model" to "learning the model", freeing many people to rapidly <u>configure</u>, <u>specialize</u>, and <u>apply</u> patterns to <u>deliver value</u> in their model-based projects.



- A <u>metamodel</u> is a model of other models;
  - Sets forth how we will represent Requirements, Designs, Verification, Failure Analysis, Trade-offs, etc.;
  - We utilize the (language independent) S\* Metamodel from Systematica<sup>™</sup> Methodology:
- The resulting system models may be expressed in SysML<sup>™</sup>, other languages, DB tables, etc.
- Has been applied to systems engineering in aerospace, transportation, medical, advanced manufacturing, communication, construction, other domains.



Simple summary of detailed S\* Metamodel.



• S\*Patterns are <u>Model-Based</u>:

- We are referring to patterns represented by formal system models.



- Many of the historical "design patterns" were not based on formal system models, but prose, in simple templates.
- S\*Patterns are model-based, but not dependent on any single system modeling <u>language</u>, and are readily expressed in SysML, IDEF, or other formal modeling languages.



- S\*Patterns are <u>Model-Based</u>:
  - Independent of the specific modeling language, S\*Models always conform to the underlying S\*Metamodel:



Summary view of S\*Metamodel

 The S\*Metamodel is the smallest model sufficient to the purposes of engineering and science.



- **System:** A collection of interacting components. Example: Vehicle; Vehicle Domain System.
- <u>Stakeholder</u>: A person or other entity with something at stake in the life cycle of a system. Example: Vehicle Operator; Vehicle Owner; Pedestrian
- <u>Feature</u>: A behavior of a system that carries stakeholder value. Example: Automatic Braking System Feature; Passenger Comfort Feature Group
- <u>Functional Interaction (Interaction)</u>: An exchange of energy, force, mass, or information by two entities, in which one changes the state of the other. Example: Refuel Vehicle; Travel Over Terrain
- <u>Functional Role (Role)</u>: The behavior performed by one of the interacting entities during an Interaction. Example: Vehicle Operator; Vehicle Passenger Environment Subsystem
- Input-Output: That which is exchanged during an interaction (generally associated with energy, force, mass, or information). Example: Fuel, Propulsion Force, Exhaust Gas





- <u>System of Access:</u> A system which provides the means for physical interaction between two interacting entities. Examples: Fueling Nozzle-Receptacle; Grease Gun Fitting; Steering Wheel; Dashboard; Brake Peddle
- <u>Interface:</u> The association of a System (which "has" the interface), one or more Interactions (which describe behavior at the interface), the Input-Outputs (which pass through the interface), and a System of Access (which provides the means of the interaction). Examples: Operator Interface; GPS Interface
- <u>State:</u> A mode, situation, or condition that describes a System's condition at some moment or period of time. Example: Starting; Cruising; Performing Maneuvers
- **Design Component:** A physical entity that has identity, whose behavior is described by Functional Role(s) allocated to it. Examples: Garmin Model 332 GPS Receiver; Michelin Model 155 Tire
- <u>**Requirement Statement:**</u> A (usually prose) description of the behavior expected of (at least part of) a Functional Role. Example: "The System will accept inflow of fuel at up to 10 gallons per minute without overflow or spillage."

**SE** Pattern-Based Systems Engineering (PBSE)

- The S\*Metamodel explicates <u>Physical Interactions</u>:
  - Interactions: state-impacting exchange of <u>energy</u>, <u>force</u>, <u>mass</u>, or <u>information</u>:



- Such interactions are the basis of substantially all the laws (patterns, regularities) of the physical sciences.
- Systems Engineering should have as strong a foundation as the other engineering disciplines.

OSE Physical Interactions: At the heart of S\* models

• S\* models represent <u>Physical Interactions</u> as explicit objects:





- The <u>scope</u> of S\*Patterns are "<u>Whole Systems</u>":
  - An S\*Pattern is effectively a formal model of a <u>platform</u> system, or a whole system domain:



- Historical "design patterns" were most frequently about smaller repeating component or subsystem patterns, used as deemed applicable.
- The <u>scope</u> of S\*Patterns includes system requirements, designs, and other S\*Model information such as verification, failure analysis, etc.



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





- A table of configurations illustrates how patterns facilitate compression;
- Each column in the table is a compressed system representation with respect to ("modulo") the pattern;
- The compression is typically very large;
- The compression ratio tells us how much of the pattern is variable and how much fixed, across the family of potential configurations.





- Example Uses and Benefits:
  - 1. <u>Stakeholder Features and Scenarios</u>: Better stakeholder alignment sooner
  - 2. <u>Pattern Configuration</u>: Generating better requirements faster
  - 3. <u>Selecting Solutions</u>: More informed trade-offs
  - 4. <u>Design for Change</u>: Analyzing and improving platform resiliency
  - 5. <u>Risk Analysis</u>: Pattern-enabled FMEAs
  - 6. <u>Verification</u>: Generating better tests faster
- Practice PBSE with a goal in mind: What benefits seem most important?



- Patterns express "envelopes" around "point situations".
- Patterns help us discover, explore, and record what we may have to adapt to, along with adaptation plans:
  - Evolution in available technologies and parts
  - Evolution in system requirements, interfaces, modes, etc.
  - Evolution in the larger systems in which we operate
  - Evolution in customer or market expectations
  - Evolution in competitor offerings



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# Patterns for managing risk

- Patterns also express risks and mitigations for:
  - Patterns of system failure modes and effects (d-FMEA)
  - Patterns of operator failure modes and effects (a-FMEA)
  - Patterns of production & distribution failures (p-FMEA)



**COSE** PBSE helps make Platform Management a discipline

- Descriptions of SE processes typically appear to describe engineering a "new" system "from scratch" [e.g., ISO 15288, INCOSE SE Handbook]:
  - However, real projects are often concerned with engineering similar (but different) systems across different product generations, applications, configurations, or market segments.
  - Patterns provide the IP basis to make Platform Management a discipline, not just an attractive idea:





### Vehicle Pattern Example: SysML Model, Organized in Packages





 The major aspects of PBSE have been defined and practiced for years across a number of enterprises and domains, but with limited INCOSE community awareness:

Medical Device Patterns	Construction Equipment Patterns	Commercial Vehicle Patterns	Space Tourism Pattern
Manufacturing Process Patterns	Vision System Patterns	Packaging System Patterns	Lawnmower Pattern
Embedded Intelligence Patterns	Systems of Innovation (SOI) Pattern	Baby Product Pattern	Orbital Satellite Pattern
Development Process Patterns	Production Material Handling Patterns	Engine Controls Patterns	Military Radio Systems Pattern

- This talk is more about INCOSE community awareness and capability than about technically establishing a new method—although it will look new to INCOSE practitioners.
- We recognize that the human change aspect can be the most challenging but are not suggesting that we also have to create new technical methods. We are <u>introducing PBSE to a</u> <u>larger community</u>.





- Wave 1 Projects (completed in 2014):
  - Using Patterns in Automated Verification of Safety-Critical Systems
  - Patterns for Reducing Error Escapes in Development
  - Life Cycle Patterns Across the Enterprise
  - Automated Vehicle Pattern
  - The Case for a Stronger Foundation Metamodel for MBSE: Parts 1, 2
- Wave 2 Projects (2014-2015): (in progress)
  - Agile Systems Engineering Life Cycle Pattern (Joint with Agile WG)
  - SE Community Social Network Pattern
  - INCOSE Summary of PBSE Methodology
  - The Case for a Stronger Foundation Metamodel for MBSE: Part 3
- Future Projects: (2015-\_\_\_)
  - Your interests? Suggest! Question! Join us!
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- Team web page (in INCOSE/OMG MBSE wiki):

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Agile Systems Engineering Life Cycle Model (ASELCM) Project

- INCOSE sponsored project, announced at IW2015—supporting Agile and SE objectives.
- Project discovery workshops will occur at participating host company/institution sites across U.S. and Europe during 2015-2016.
- Learnings will be organized using the ASELCM Pattern—part of the project report.
- You and your organization are invited to participate.
- See: <u>http://www.parshift.com/ASELCM/Home.html</u>



## OSE Challenges and Opportunities: Human hurdles

- Engineers and other designers enjoy creating things—sometimes even if the thing has been created before:
  - This may lead to re-traveling paths, sometimes re-discovering things the hard way
  - In any case, it can expend time and effort in re-generating, re-validating, and re-verifying what others had already done.
- In other cases, human subject matter experts provide great expertise:
  - but it is accessible only in the form of the presence of the SME, and after accumulating years of experience.
  - Seemingly more a <u>craft</u> of journeymen experts than a <u>discipline</u> based upon teachable scientific principles.
- All these challenges can be viewed as resistance to expressing and applying explicit patterns.



- 1. Patterns abound in the world of systems engineering.
- 2. These patterns extensively impact our projects, whether we take advantage of them as Explicit Patterns, or we are negatively impacted by Dark Patterns.
- 3. Pattern-Based Systems Engineering (PBSE) offers specific ways to extend MBSE to exploit Patterns.
- 4. MBSE comes first—Patterns without Models is like orbital mechanics before Newton.
- 5. PBSE provides a number of identified benefits.
- 6. We've had good success applying pattern-based methods in mil/aerospace, automotive, medical/health care, advanced manufacturing, and consumer product domains.
- INCOSE provides good PBSE opportunities to "learn by doing" join us!

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INCOSE thought leaders have discussed the need to address 10:1 more complex systems with 10:1 reduction in effort, using people from a 10:1 larger community than the "systems expert" group INCOSE currently reaches. The PBSE Challenge Team of the INCOSE/OMG MBSE Initiative aims to enable INCOSE membership, and the larger systems community beyond INCOSE, to achieve such order-of-magnitude improvements.

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