



# Moving Forward with SysML v2

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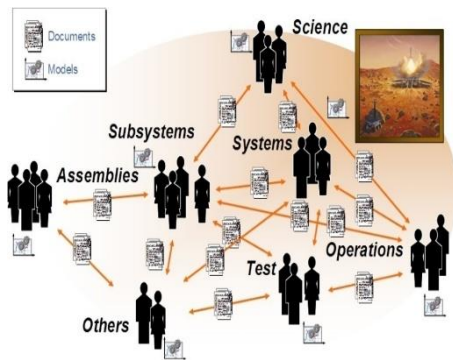


# MBSE Background

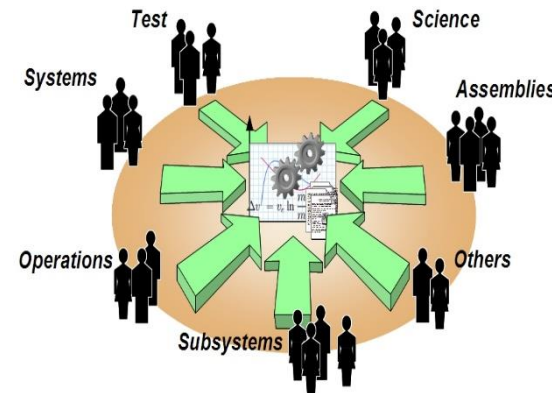
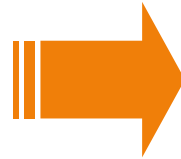


# Model-Based Systems Engineering (MBSE)

- A systems engineering approach where information about the system is captured in a system model
  - The model is the source of the data and managed throughout the lifecycle
- Contrasts with a document-based approach where the information is captured in a variety of documents, informal diagrams, and spreadsheets
- Provides a more complete, consistent, and traceable system design



**From:** System specification and design data related through documents



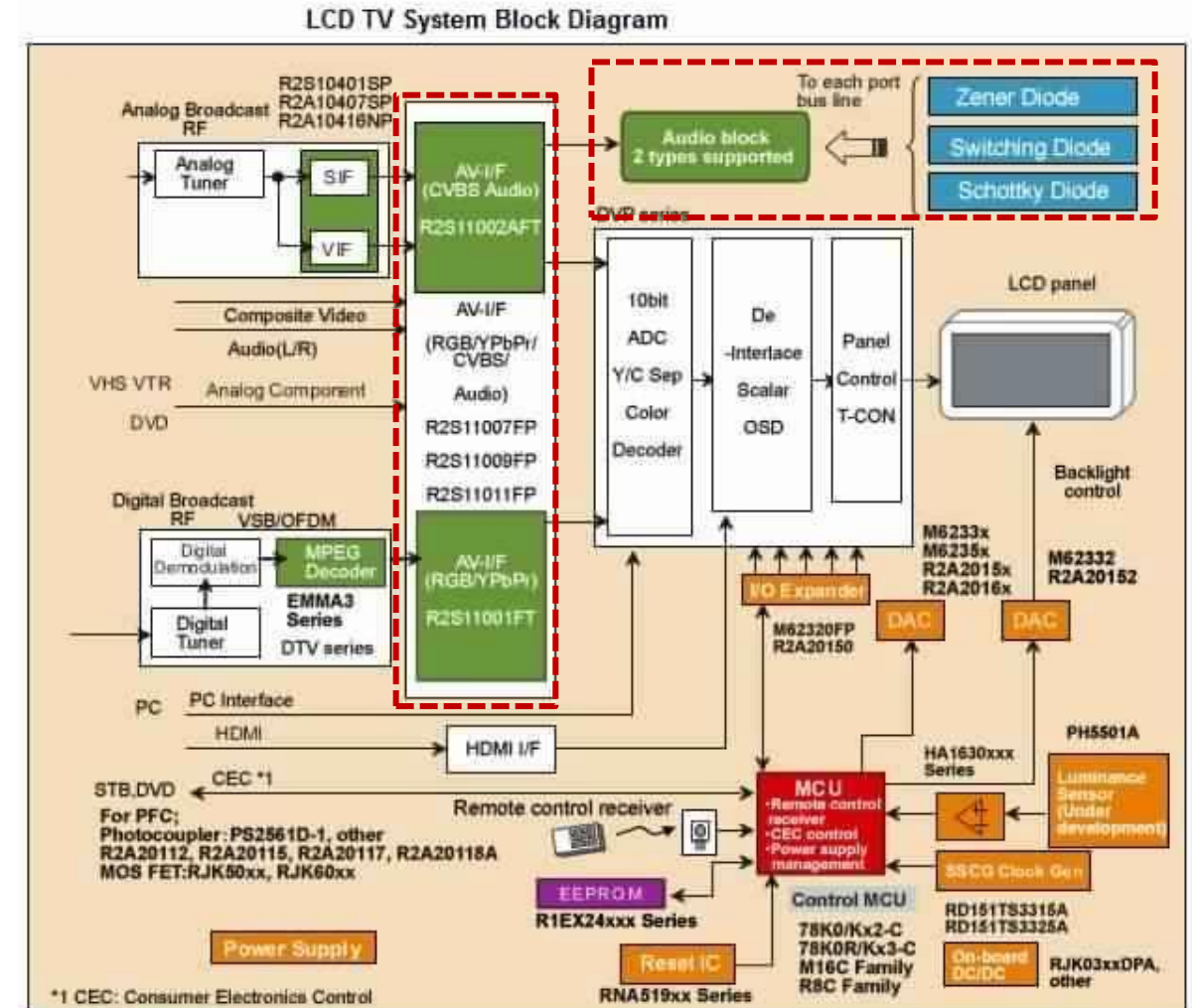
**To:** Shared system model with multiple views, and connected to discipline models

Source: Jet Propulsion Laboratory



# Traditional System Block Diagram

- System architecture captured using informal diagramming notation
- Good domain content but imprecise description of:
  - Component hierarchy
  - Interfaces
  - Functions vs components
  - Succession vs connection
- Disconnected from other system views
- Lack of traceability





# SysML v2 Status



# Systems Modeling Language™ (SysML®)

*Supports the specification, analysis, design, and verification and validation of complex systems that may include hardware, software, information, processes, personnel, and facilities*

- SysML has evolved to address user and vendor needs
  - v1.0 adopted in 2006; v1.7 adopted 2022
- SysML v1 has facilitated awareness and adoption of MBSE
- Much has been learned from using SysML v1 for MBSE
- SysML v2 is the next generation systems modeling language intended to address some of the limitations of SysML v1



# SysML v2 Status

- SysML v2 was developed by the SysML v2 Submission Team (SST) in response to the SysML v2 RFP issued by the OMG in December, 2017
- SysML v2 beta specifications (i.e., KerML, SysML v2, Systems Modeling API & Services) were approved by the OMG and are in the finalization phase
  - Finalization task force responds to issues raised by vendors as they develop their implementations
- Submit specifications for final adoption in 2024





# SysML v2 Examples

## Open-Source Pilot Implementation

- Examples of the SysML v2 textual syntax were created using the open-source reference implementation that was developed as part of the SysML v2 submission development effort
- The graphical views of the SysML v2 model were created using a drawing tool (draw.io) or the prototype visualization tool integrated with the reference implementation, based on an open-source application called Plant UML
- The quality and conformance of the graphical visualization is limited but will be substantially improved when commercial tools become available



# SysML v2 Overview & Comparison with SysML v1



# SysML v2 Objectives

- **Increase adoption and effectiveness of MBSE with SysML by enhancing...**
  - Precision and expressiveness of the language
  - Consistency and integration among language concepts
  - Interoperability with other engineering models and tools
  - Usability by model developers and consumers
  - Extensibility to support domain specific applications
  - Migration path for SysML v1 users and implementors

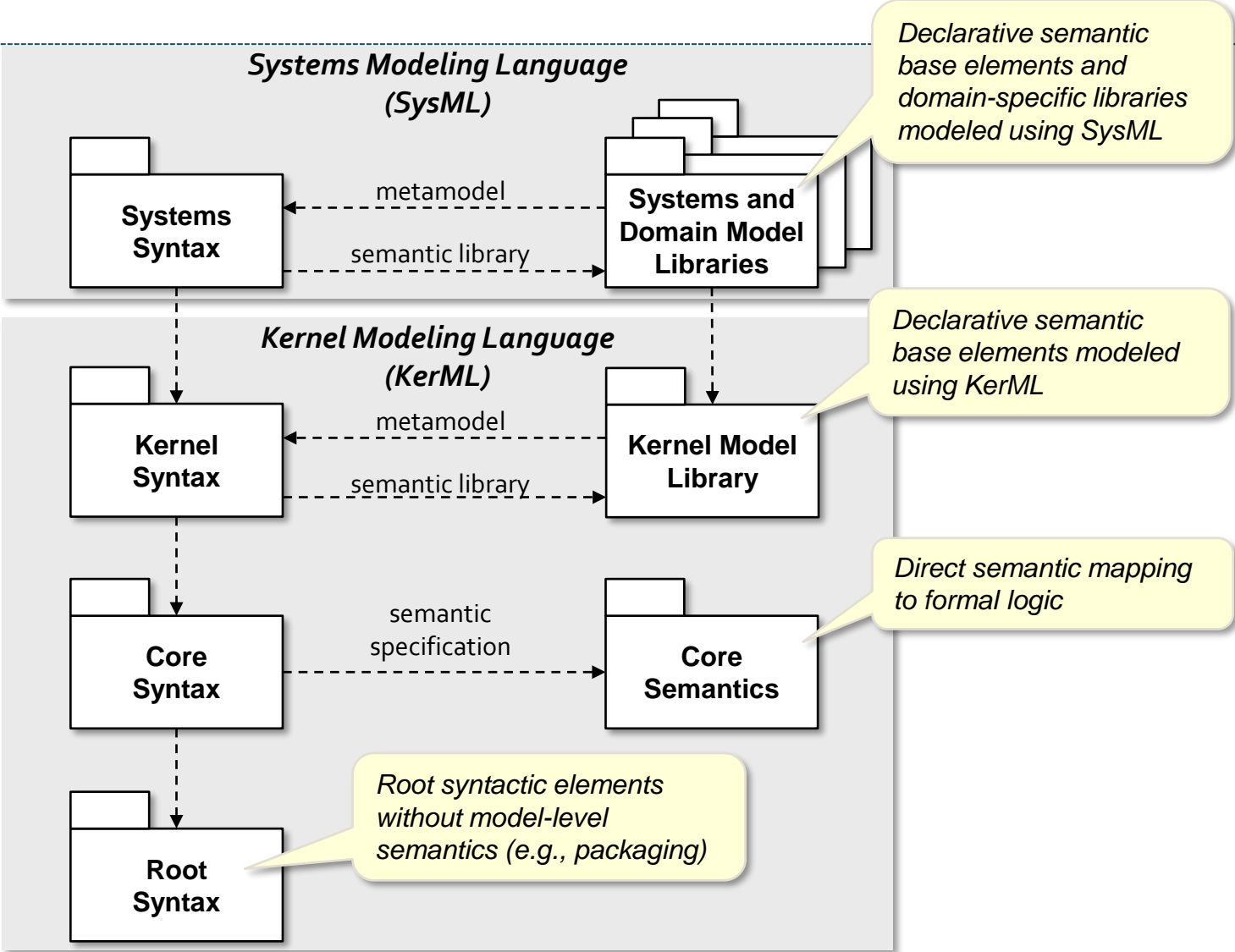


# Key Elements of SysML v2

- New Metamodel that is not constrained by UML
  - Preserves most of UML modeling capabilities with a focus on systems modeling
  - Grounded in formal semantics
- Robust visualizations based on flexible view & viewpoint specification
  - Graphical, Tabular, Textual
- Standardized API to access the model

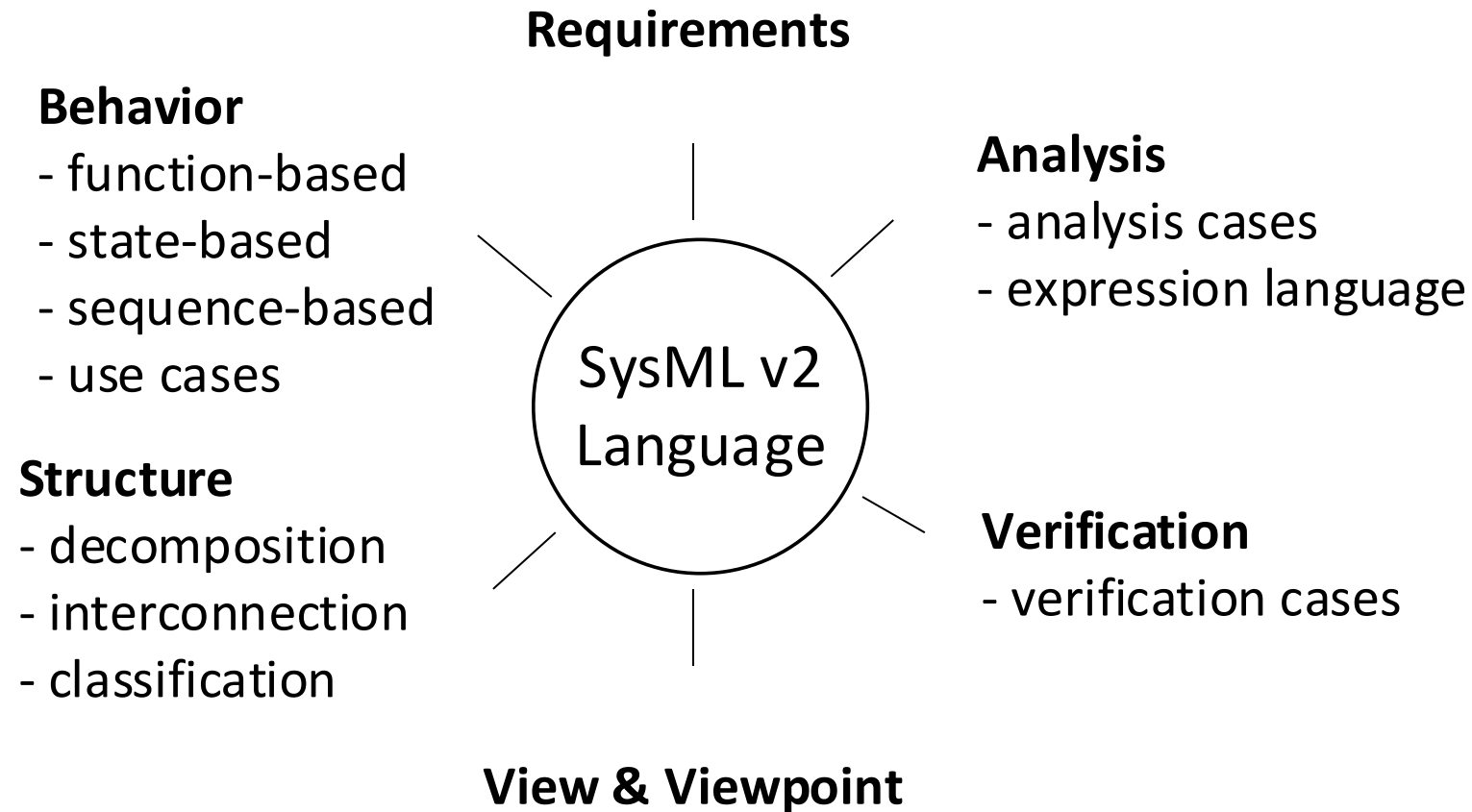


# SysML v2 Language Architecture





# SysML v2 Language Capabilities





# SysML v2 Reuse Pattern

- Definition and usage
  - A definition element defines an element such as a part, action, or requirement
  - A usage element is a usage of a definition element in a particular context
  - Pattern is applied consistently throughout the language



# SysML v2 to v1

## Terminology Mapping (partial)

SysML v2	SysML v1
part / part def	part property / block
attribute / attribute def	value property / value type
port / port def	proxy port / interface block
action / action def	action / activity
state / state def	state / state machine
constraint / constraint def	constraint property / constraint block
requirement / requirement def	requirement
connection / connection def	connector / association block
view / view def	view

*SysML v2 applies a consistent pattern of definition and usage*





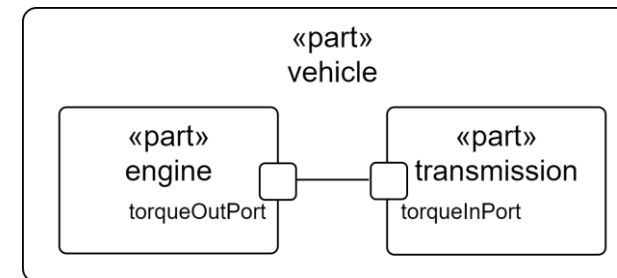
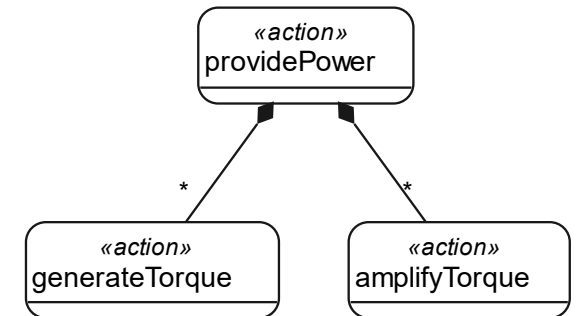
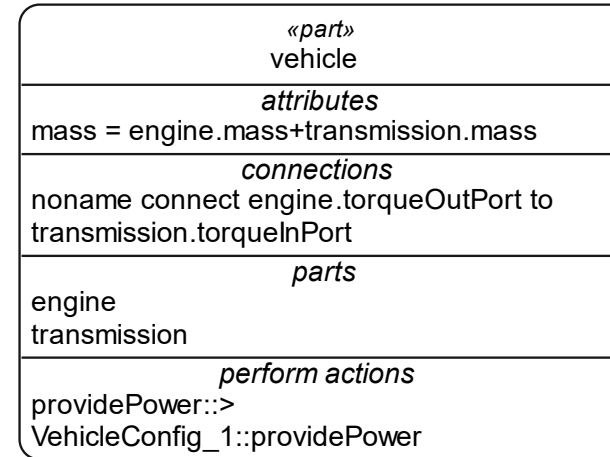
# Simple Vehicle Model

## SysML v2 Textual and Graphical Syntax

```

part vehicle{
  attribute mass = engine.mass+transmission.mass;
  perform providePower;
  part engine{
    attribute mass;
    port torqueOutPort;
    perform providePower.generateTorque;
  }
  part transmission{
    attribute mass;
    port torqueInPort;
    perform providePower.amplifyTorque;
  }
  connect engine.torqueOutPort to transmission.torqueInPort;
}

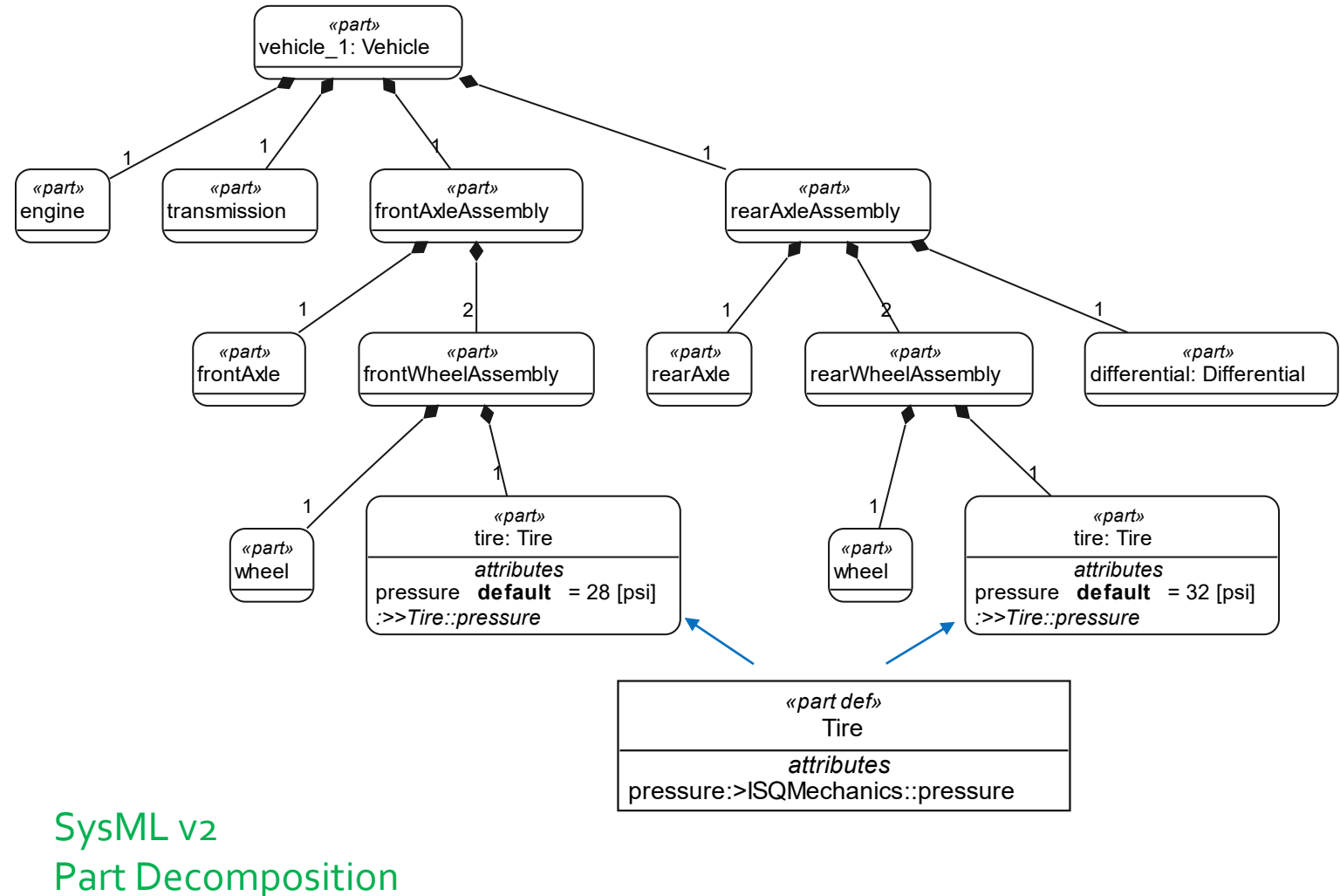
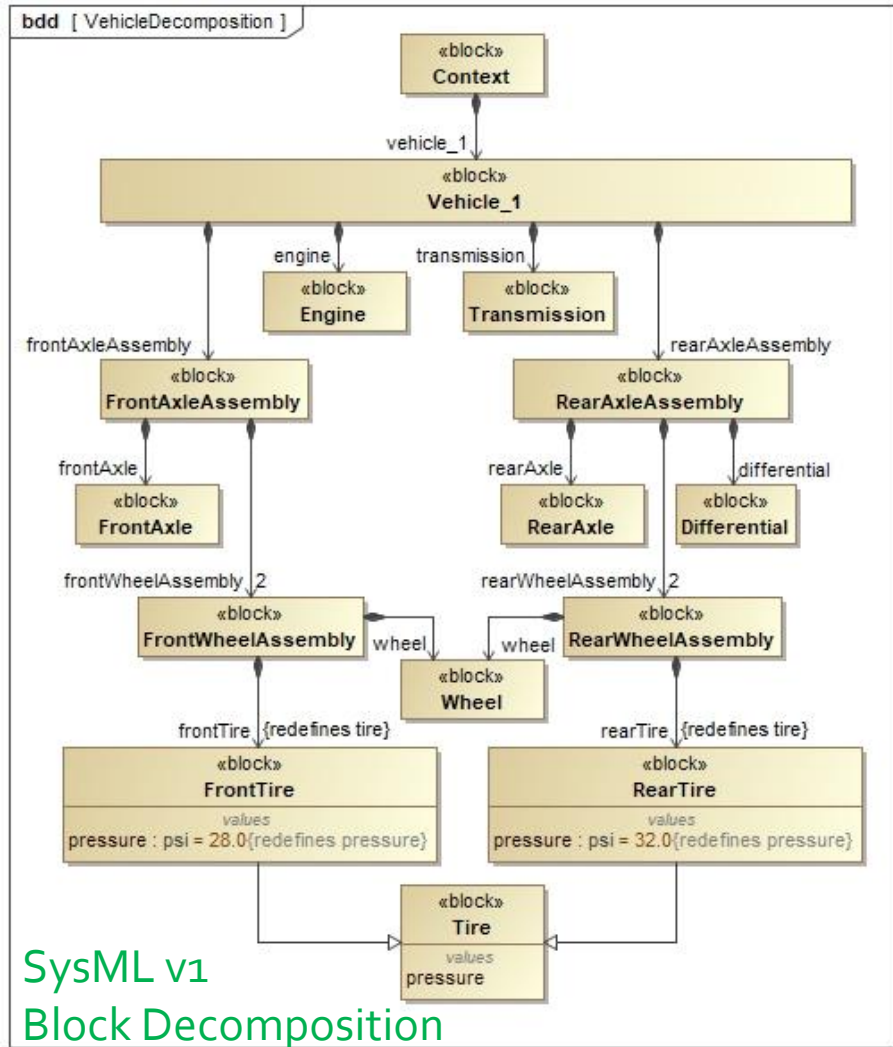
action providePower{
  action generateTorque;
  action amplifyTorque;
}
  
```





# SysML v1 and v2

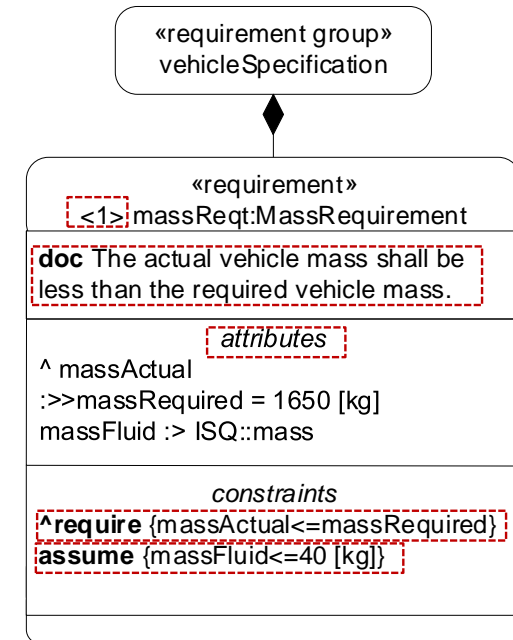
## Vehicle Block vs Part Decomposition





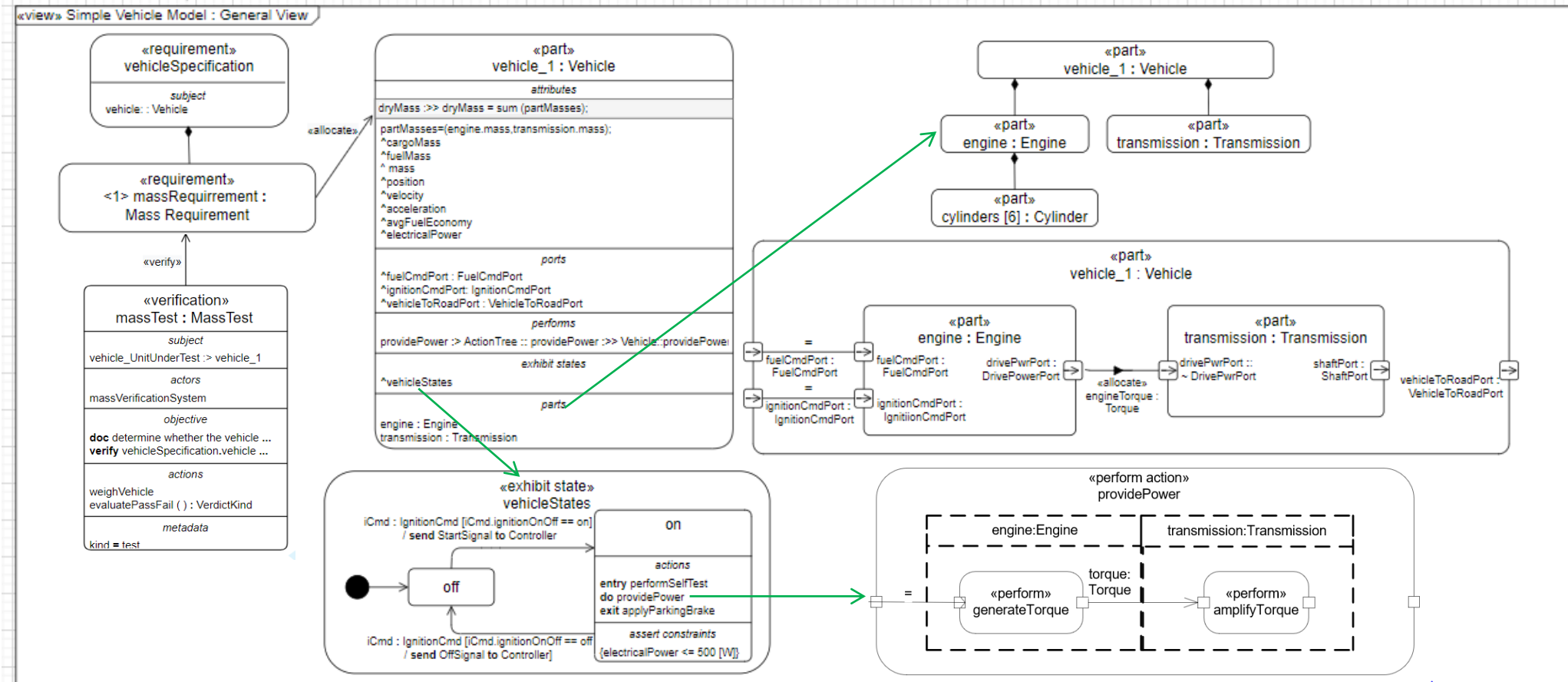
# SysML v2 Requirement

- Builds on SysML v1 concept of a property-based requirement
- A constraint definition that a valid design solution must satisfy that can include:
  - Identifier
  - Shall statement
  - Constraint expression that can be evaluated to true or false
  - Attributes of the constraint expressions
  - Assumed constraint expression must be true for the requirement to be applicable



***A SysML v2 Requirement Can be Evaluated by a Solver as Pass or Fail***

# Simple Vehicle Model







# Comparing SysML v2 with SysML v1

- **Simpler to learn and use**

- Systems engineering concepts designed into metamodel versus added-on
- Consistent application of definition and usage pattern
- More consistent terminology
- Ability to decompose parts, actions,
- More flexible model organization with package filters

- **More precise**

- Textual syntax and expression language
- Formal semantic grounding
- Requirements as constraints

- **More expressive**

- Variant modeling
- Analysis case
- Trade-off analysis
- Individuals, snapshots, time slices
- More robust quantitative properties (e.g., vectors, ..)
- Simple geometry
- Query/filter expressions
- Metadata

- **More extensible**

- Simpler language extension capability
  - Based on model libraries

- **More interoperable**

- Standardized API



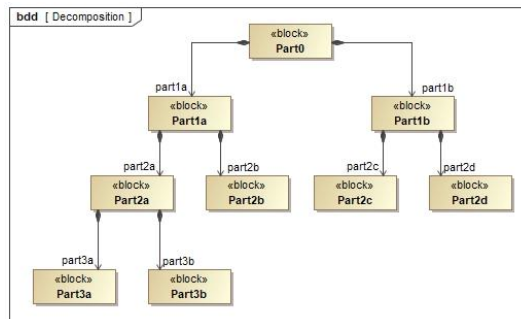
# SysML v1 to SysML v2 Transition



# SysML v1 to SysML v2 Model Conversion

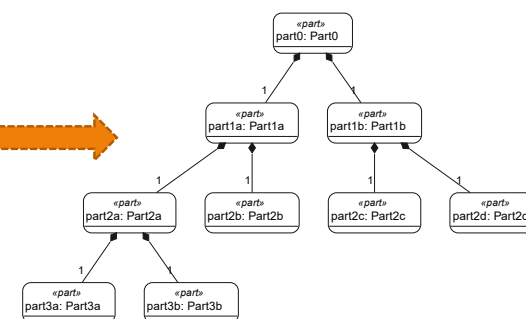
- Perform conversion incrementally
  - Select portion of model to convert
  - Pre-process as required
  - Perform transformation
  - Validate results
  - Reorganize and refactor

SysML v1 Model



SysML v1 to v2  
Conversion

SysML v2 Model  
Graphical & Textual Notation



```
part part0:Part0{
  part part1a:Part1a{
    part part2a:Part2a{
      part part3a:Part3a;
      part part3b:Part3b;
    }
    part part2b:Part2b;
  }
  part part1b:Part1b{
    part part2c:Part2c;
    part part2d:Part2d;
  }
}
```

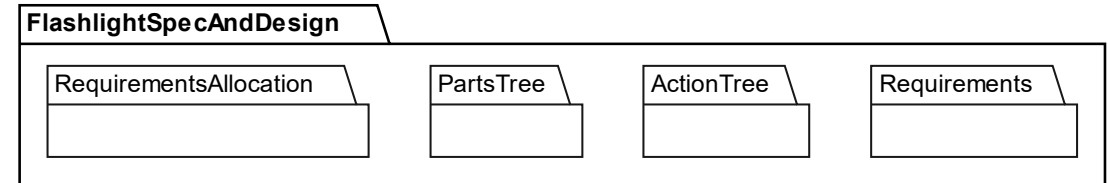




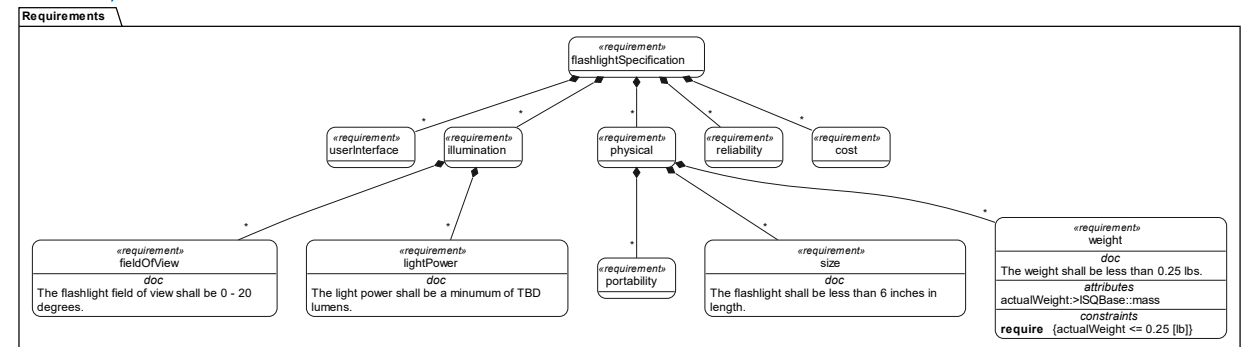
# Starter Model

[https://www.omgwiki.org/MBSE/doku.php?id=mbse:sysml\\_v2\\_transition](https://www.omgwiki.org/MBSE/doku.php?id=mbse:sysml_v2_transition)

- Simple flashlight model
  - Packages / Model Organization
  - Requirements Tree
  - Action Tree
  - Parts Tree
  - State-based behavior
- jupyter modeling environment
  - Uses SysML v2 textual notation
  - Selected examples of SysML v2 graphical notation using Plant UML



```
package FlashlightSpecAndDesign{  
    package Requirements;  
    package ActionTree;  
    package PartsTree;  
    package RequirementsAllocation;  
}
```





# Summary



# Summary

- SysML v2 is addressing SysML v1 limitations to improve MBSE adoption and effectiveness
  - New metamodel with both graphical and textual syntax and standardized API to access the model
  - More precise, expressive, usable, interoperable, and extensible than SysML v1
  - Consistent definition and usage pattern enables reuse, usability, and automation
- Progress/Plans
  - OMG approved SysML v2 beta specifications with specification to be submitted in 2024 for final adoption
  - Continue to evolve SysML v2 modeling practices, specifications, and domain specific extensions
- Organizations and practitioners should initiate their SysML v2 transition planning
  - Refer to SysML v2 Transition Wiki at [https://www.omgwiki.org/MBSE/doku.php?id=mbse:sysml\\_v2\\_transition](https://www.omgwiki.org/MBSE/doku.php?id=mbse:sysml_v2_transition)



# SST Public Repositories

## Current Release: 2024-05

- Monthly release repository
  - <https://github.com/Systems-Modeling/SysML-v2-Release>
- Release content
  - Specification documents (for KerML, SysML and API)
  - Training material for SysML textual notation
  - Training material for SysML graphical notation
  - Example models (in textual notation)
  - Pilot implementation
    - Installer for Jupyter tooling
    - Installation site for Eclipse plug-in
  - Web access to prototype repository via SysML v2 API
  - Web access to Tom Sawyer visualization tooling
- Open-source repositories
  - <https://github.com/Systems-Modeling>
- Google group for comments and questions
  - <https://groups.google.com/g/SysML-v2-Release>  
(to request membership, provide name, affiliation and interest)



**Thank You!!**