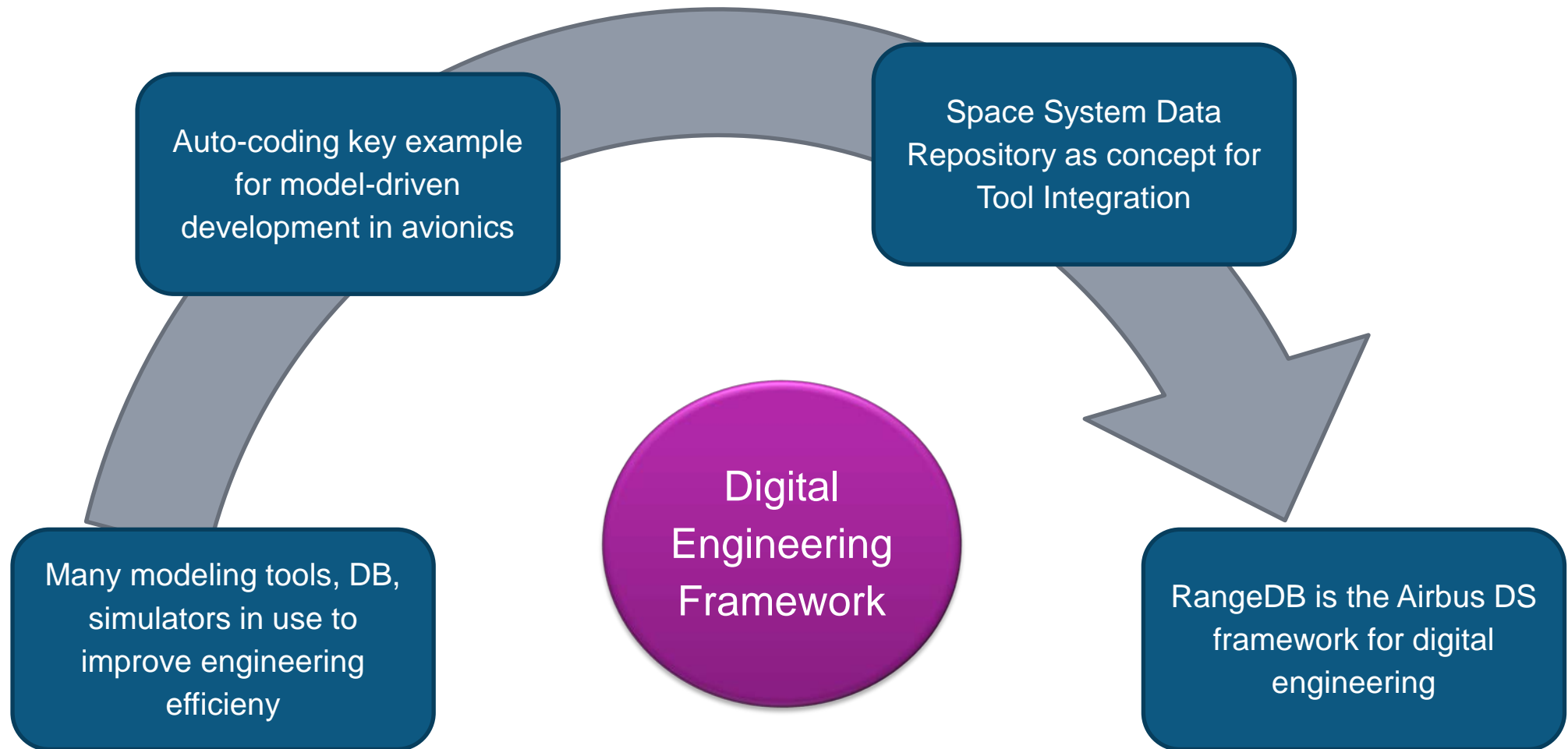


Digital Engineering Framework as enabler for System-Software Co-Engineering

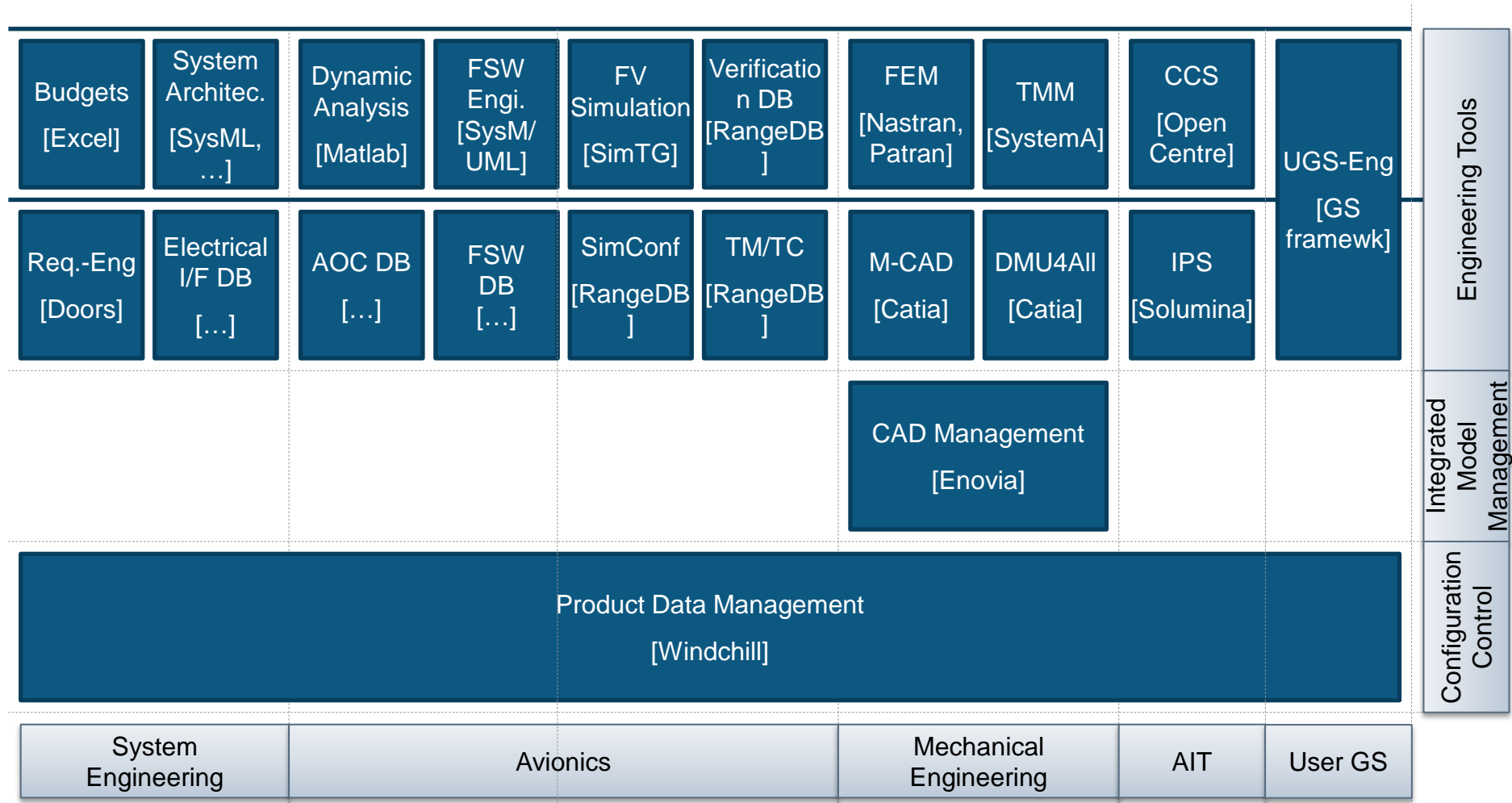
RangeDB to evolve scope of SRDB towards “integrated avionics”

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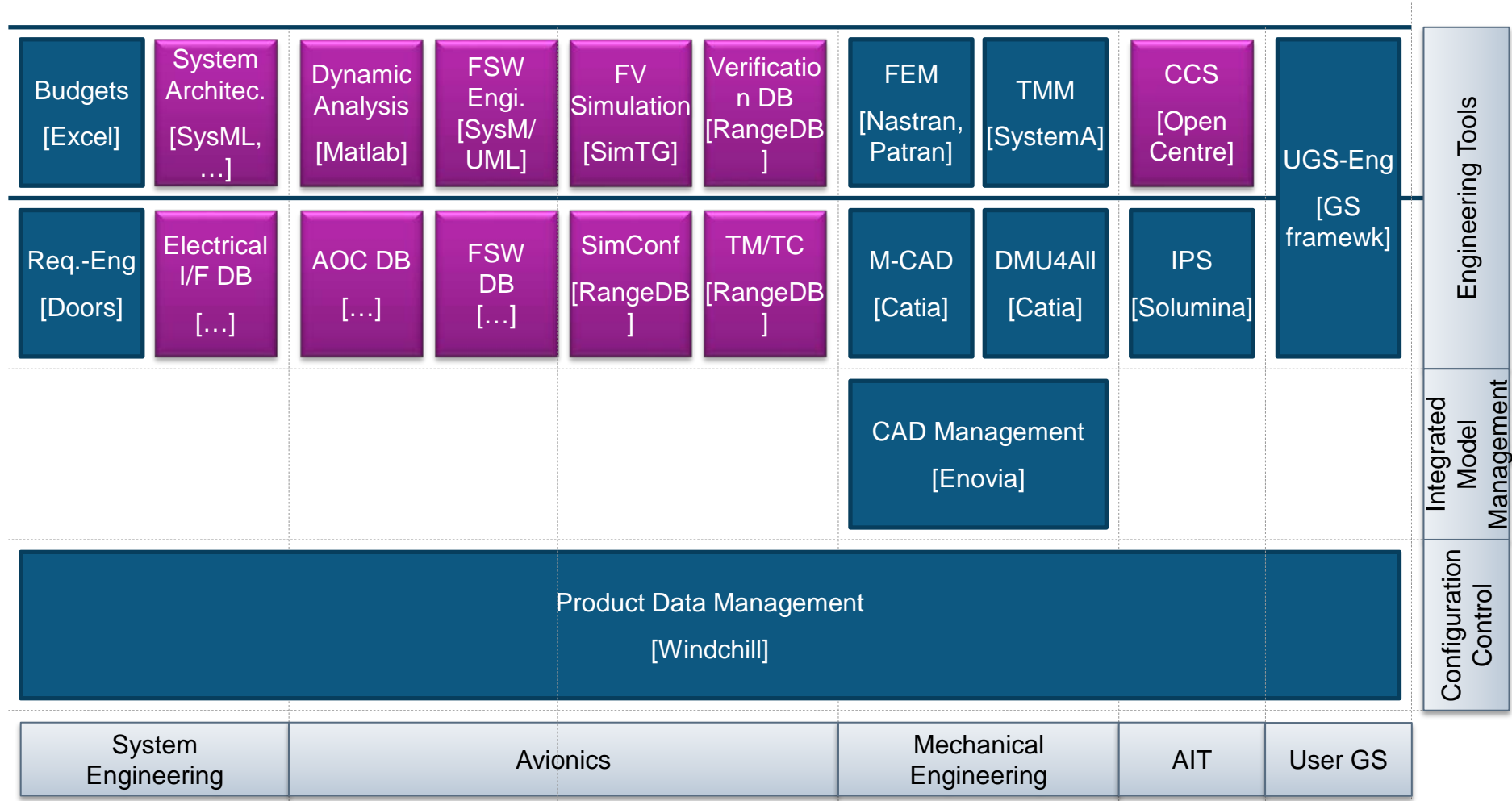
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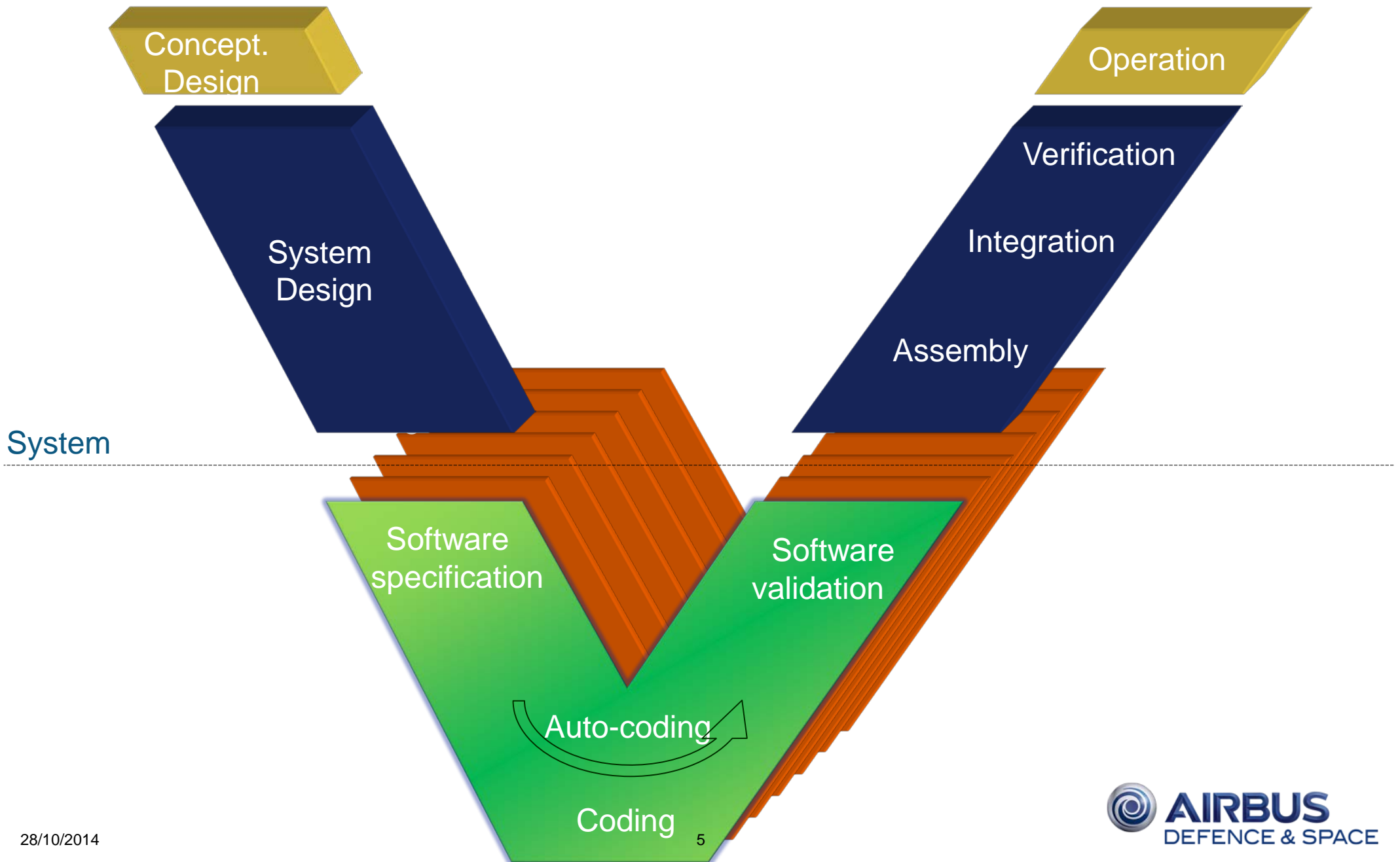
Digital Engineering comprises the application of modeling tools, DB, and simulators for the increased efficiency of engineering process



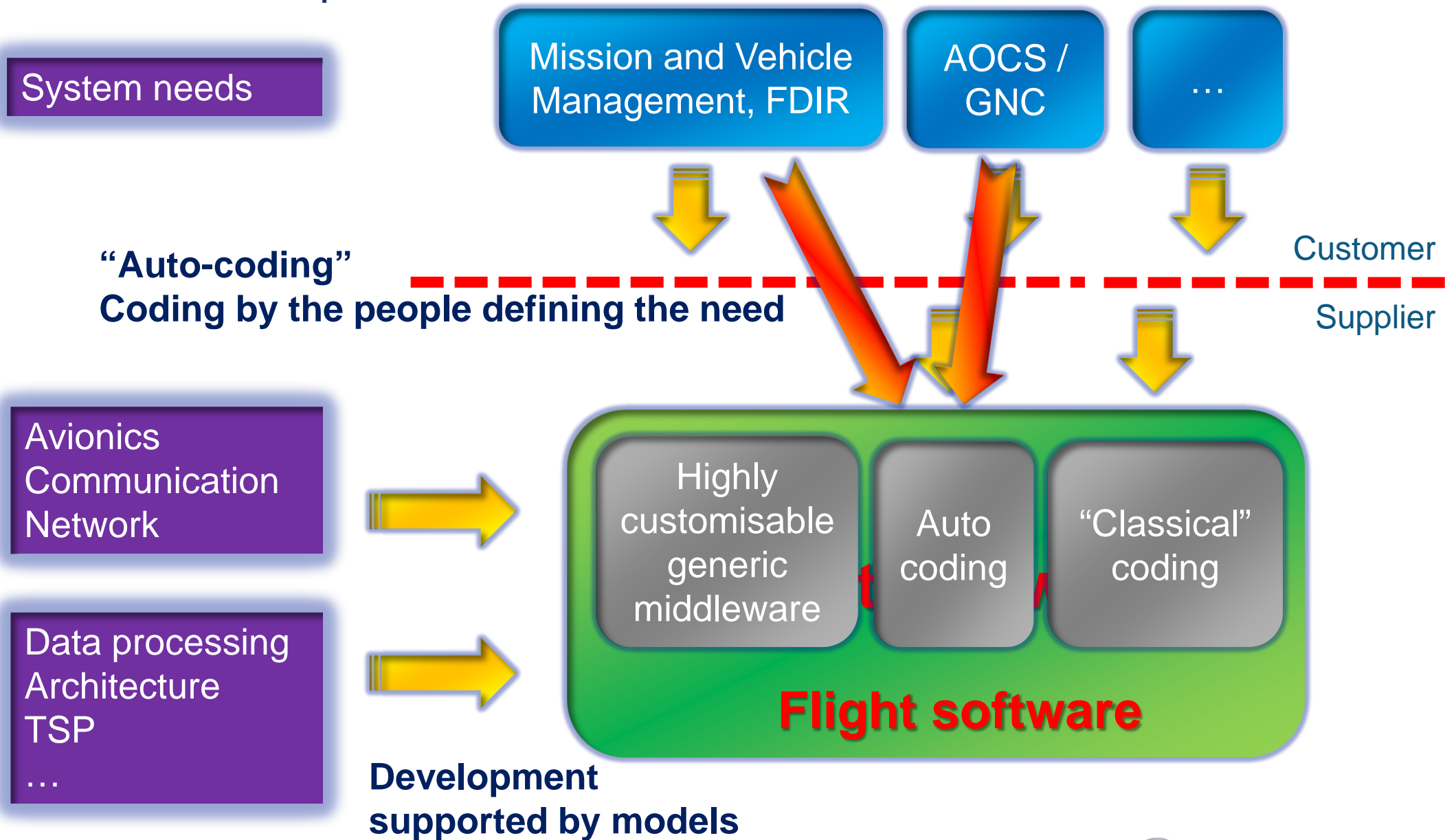
Also in avionics considerable progress has been made in the utilization of modeling techniques



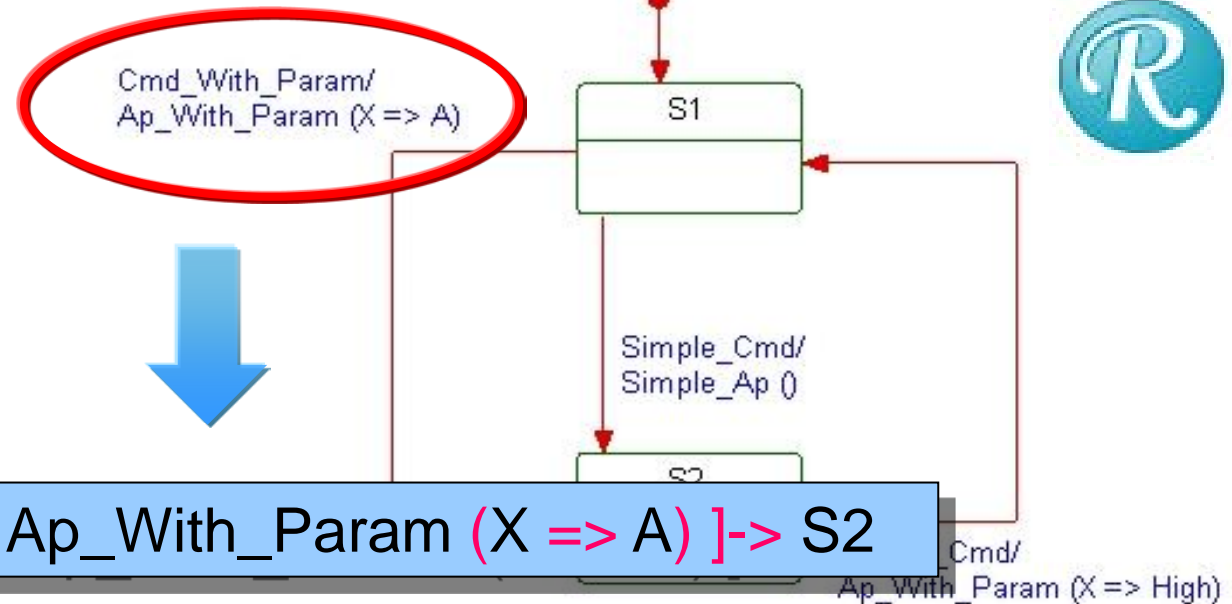
Example of mature MBE approach with auto-coding



Software development



Auto-coding of SysML Finite State Machines



Intermediate textual language

S1 -[Cmd_With_Param (A) / Ap_With_Param (X => A)]-> S2

Ada
2012

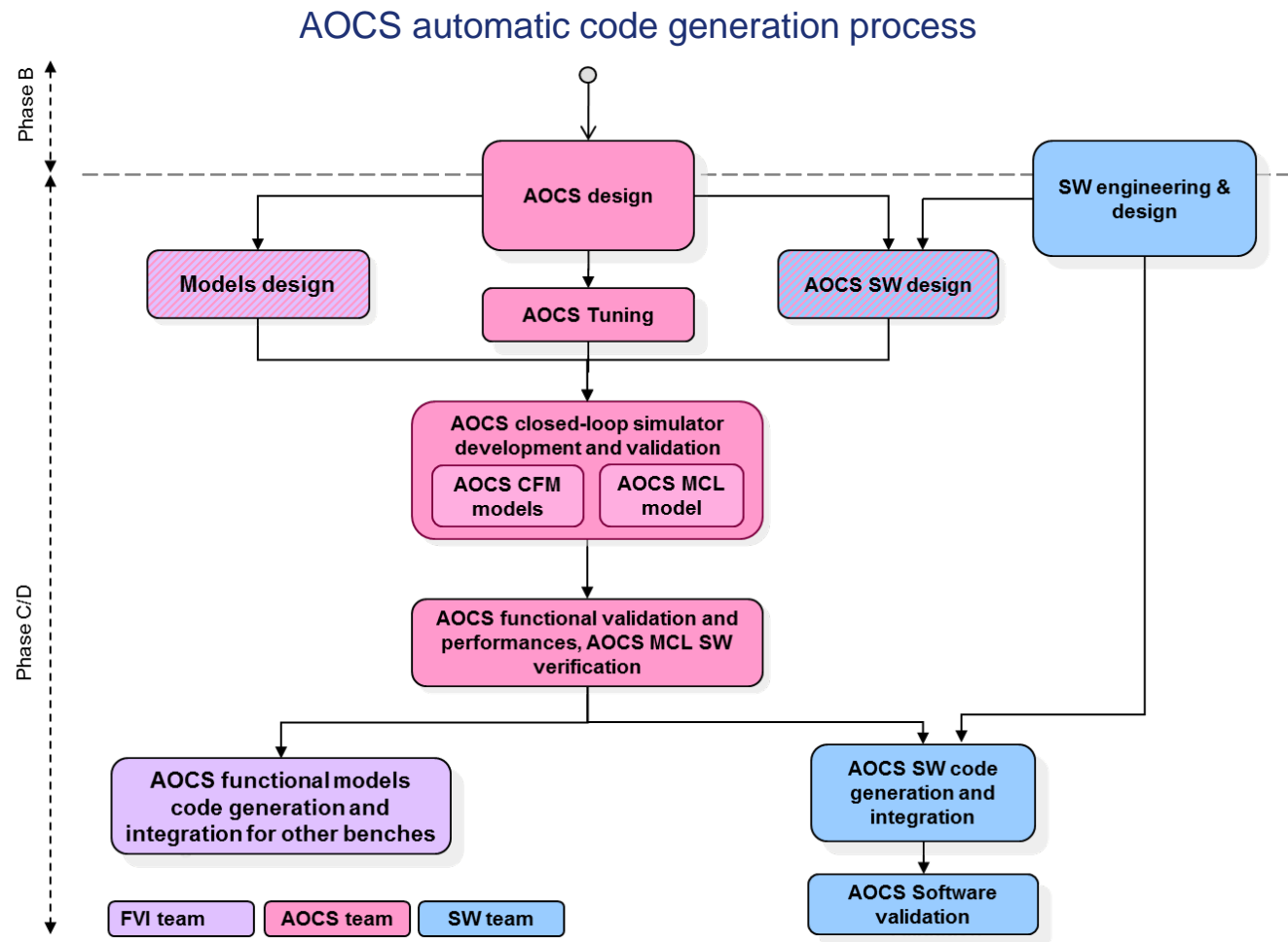
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S1 =>
(Cmd_With_Param => FSM_FUMs.T_FUM_Transition'
(Is_Valid      => True,
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FUM_AP_Command_Call => FSM_FUMs.T_FUM_AP_Command_Call'
(Number_Of_Parameters => 1,
Command_Id      => Ap_With_Param,
Parameter_Table => FSM_FUMs.FUM_AP_Command_Calls.T_Command_Actual_Parameter_Table'
(1 => FSM_FUMs.Reference (1))))
    
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Auto-coding of GNC with Ada and of AOCS with automatic code generation from Matlab/Simulink

AOCS Modes & Control Law autocoding

- AOCS SW code and verification activities largely automated.
- Schedule reduction expected on development and modifications
- Quality improvement expected because no more translation from AOCS to SW team
- Strengthened reuse approach at functional level

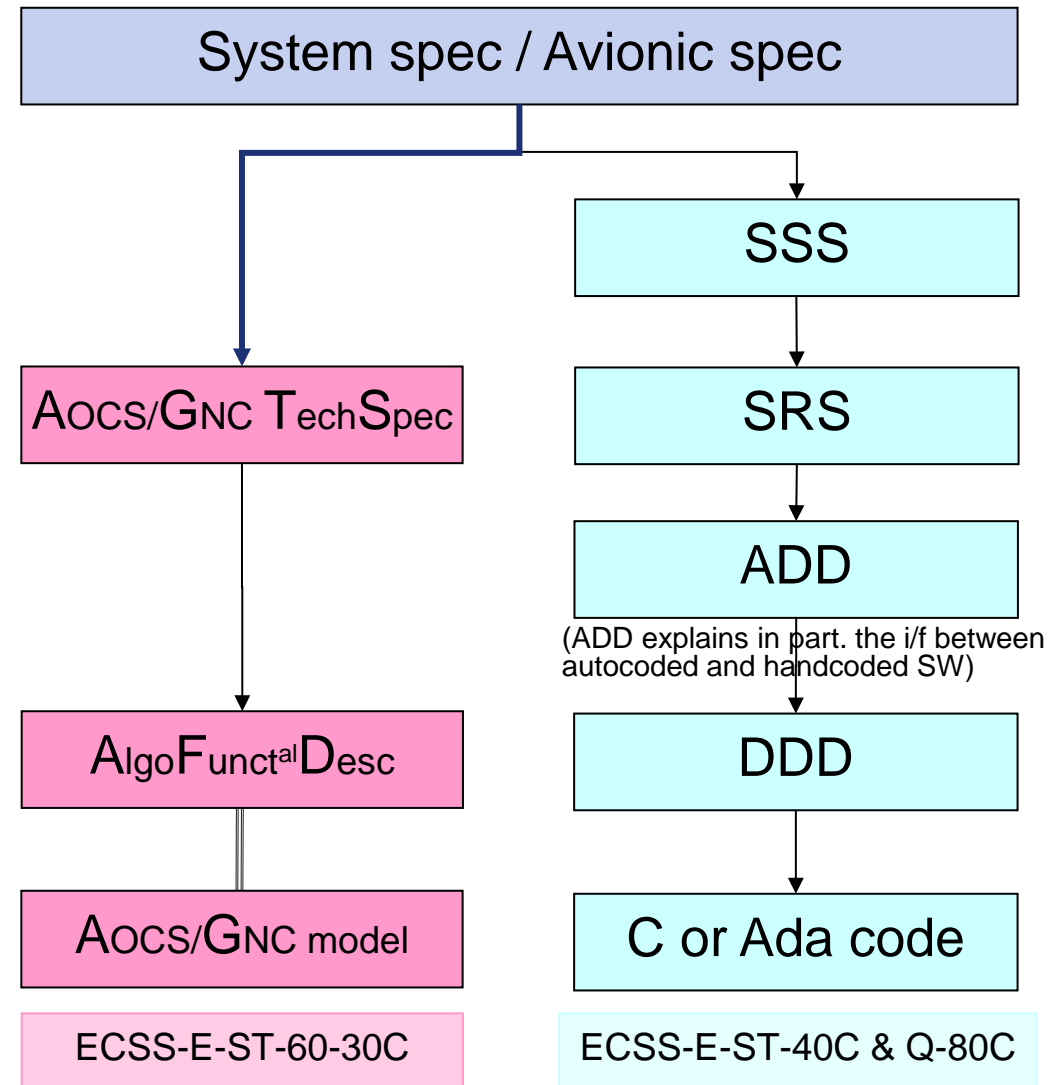


Auto-coding brings AOCS / GNC software engineering closer to System

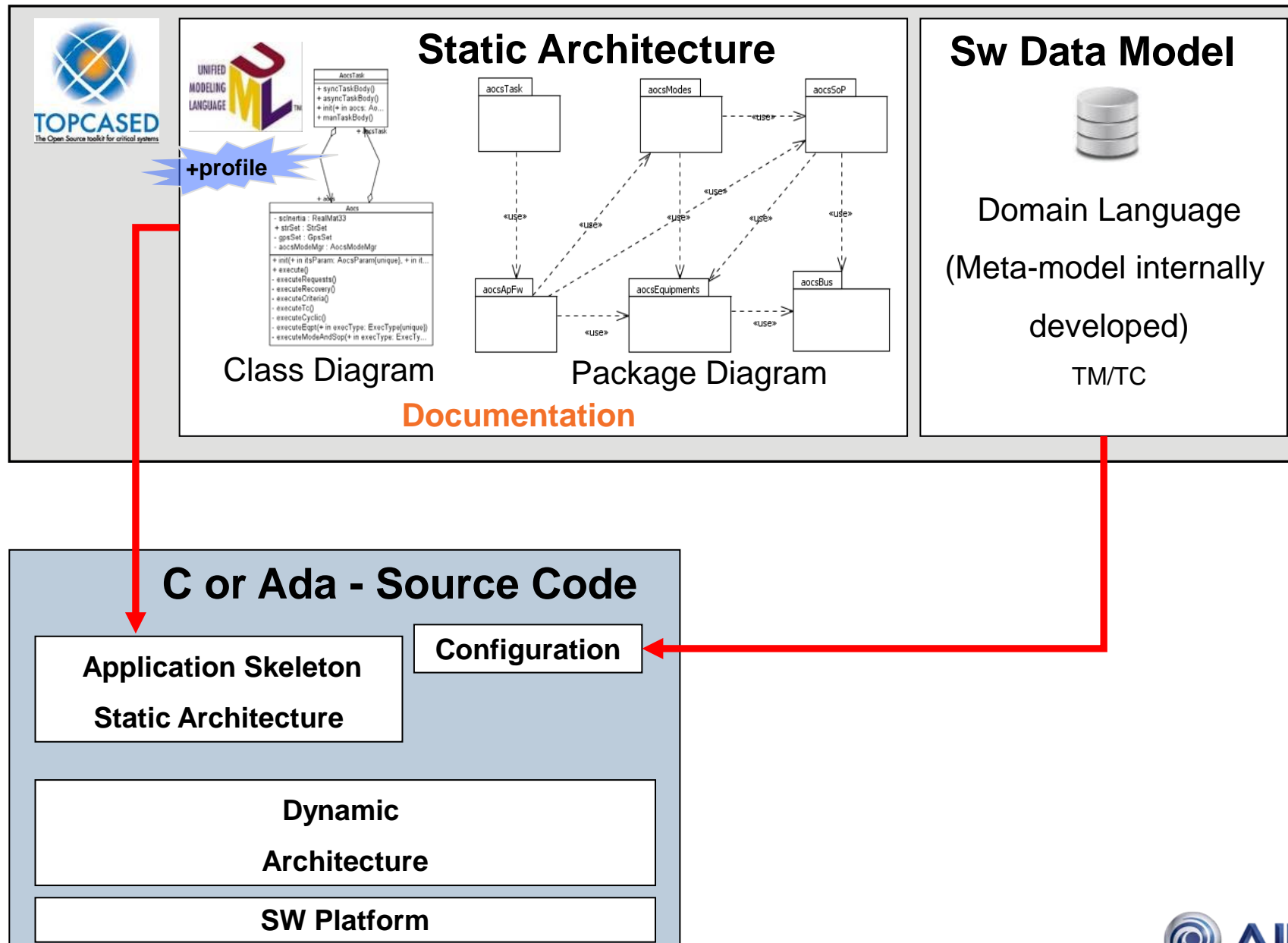
Autocoding brings naturally AOCS / GNC functional design closer to system design

- One specification step brought upward
- Model-based System Engineering enabled, with continuity towards AOCS / GNC design
- Strengthened continuity between phase B and phase CD modelling activities

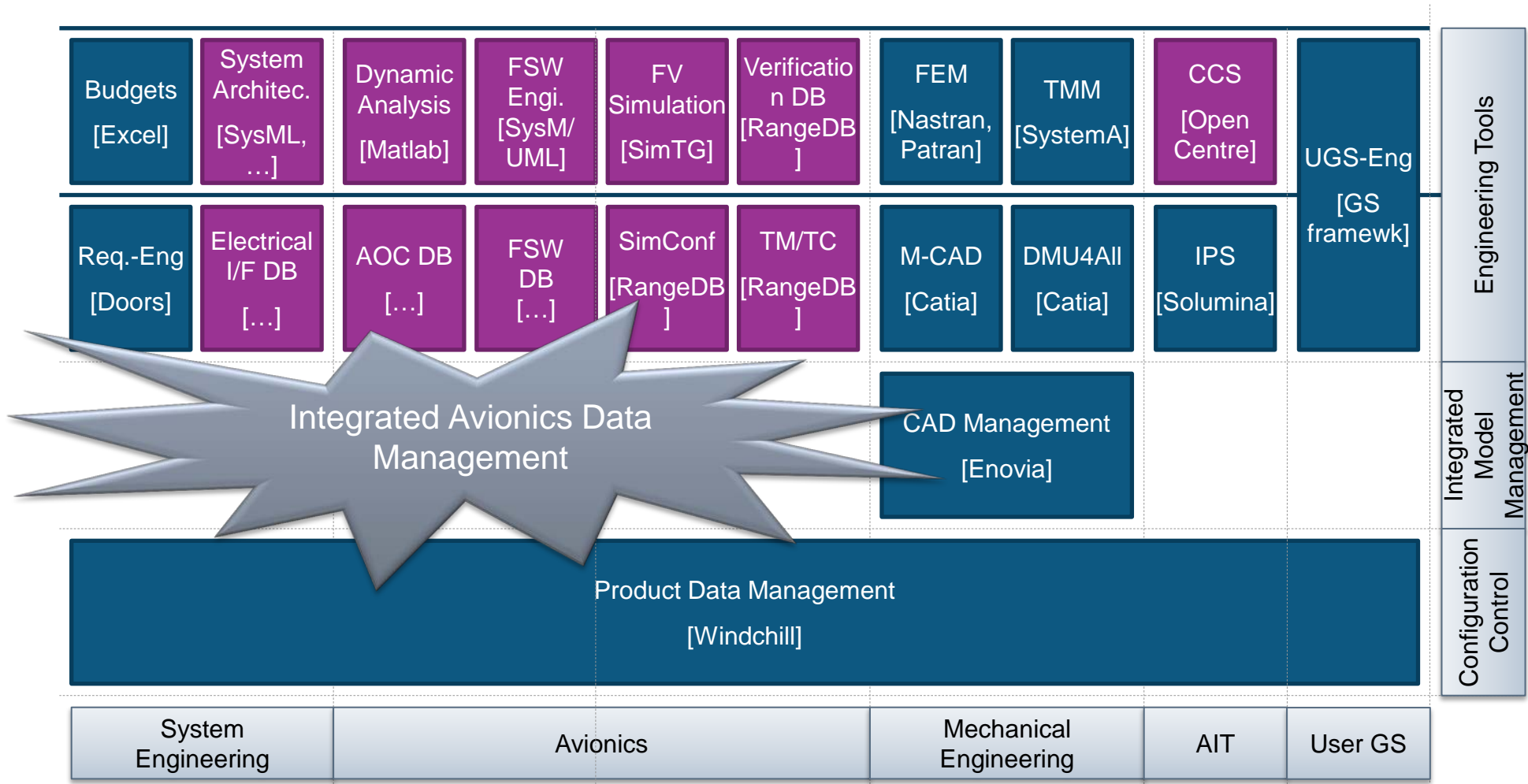
Overall compliance to SW ECSS
(-E-ST-40C and -Q-ST-80C,
but also -E-ST-60-30C)



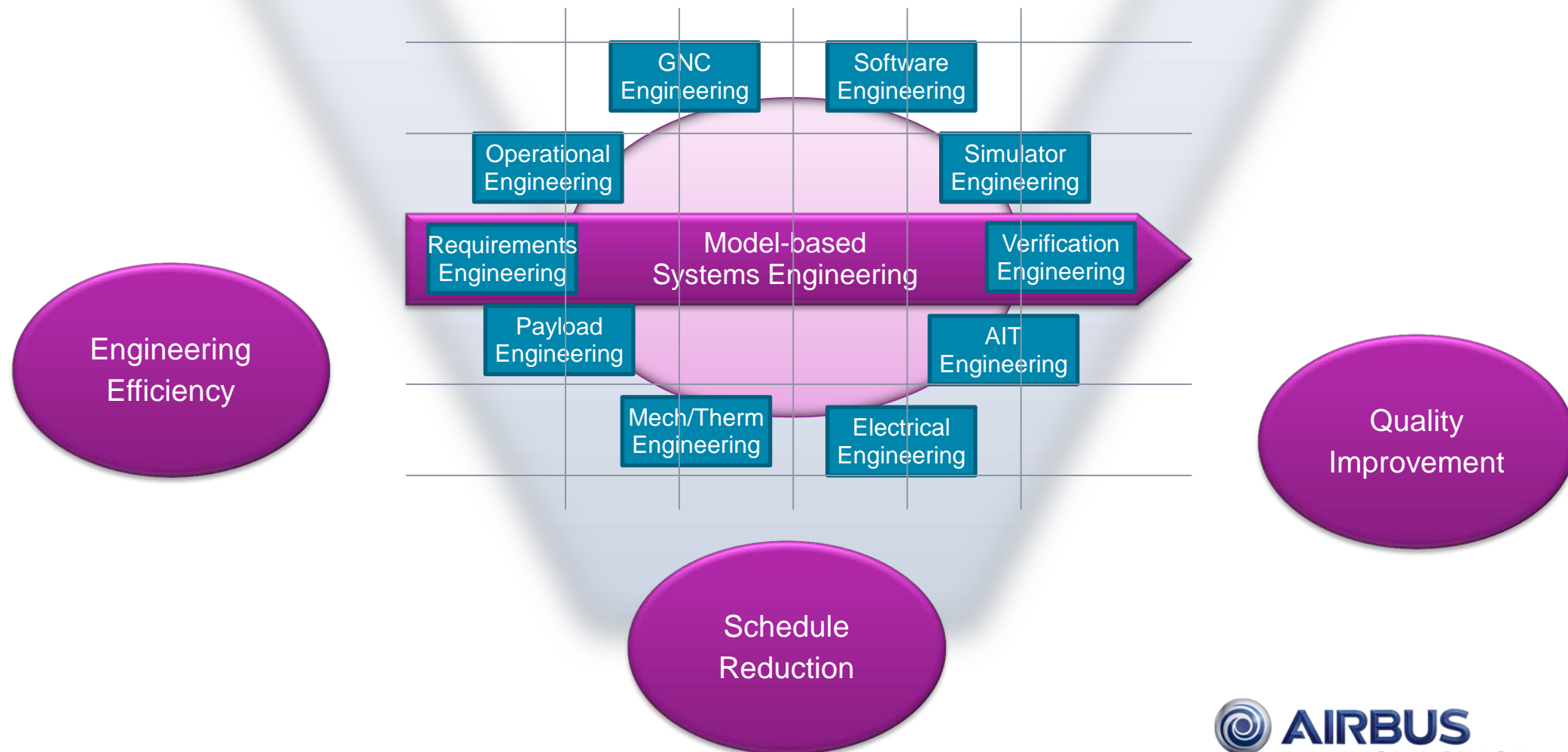
Software Engineering: Static Architecture in UML



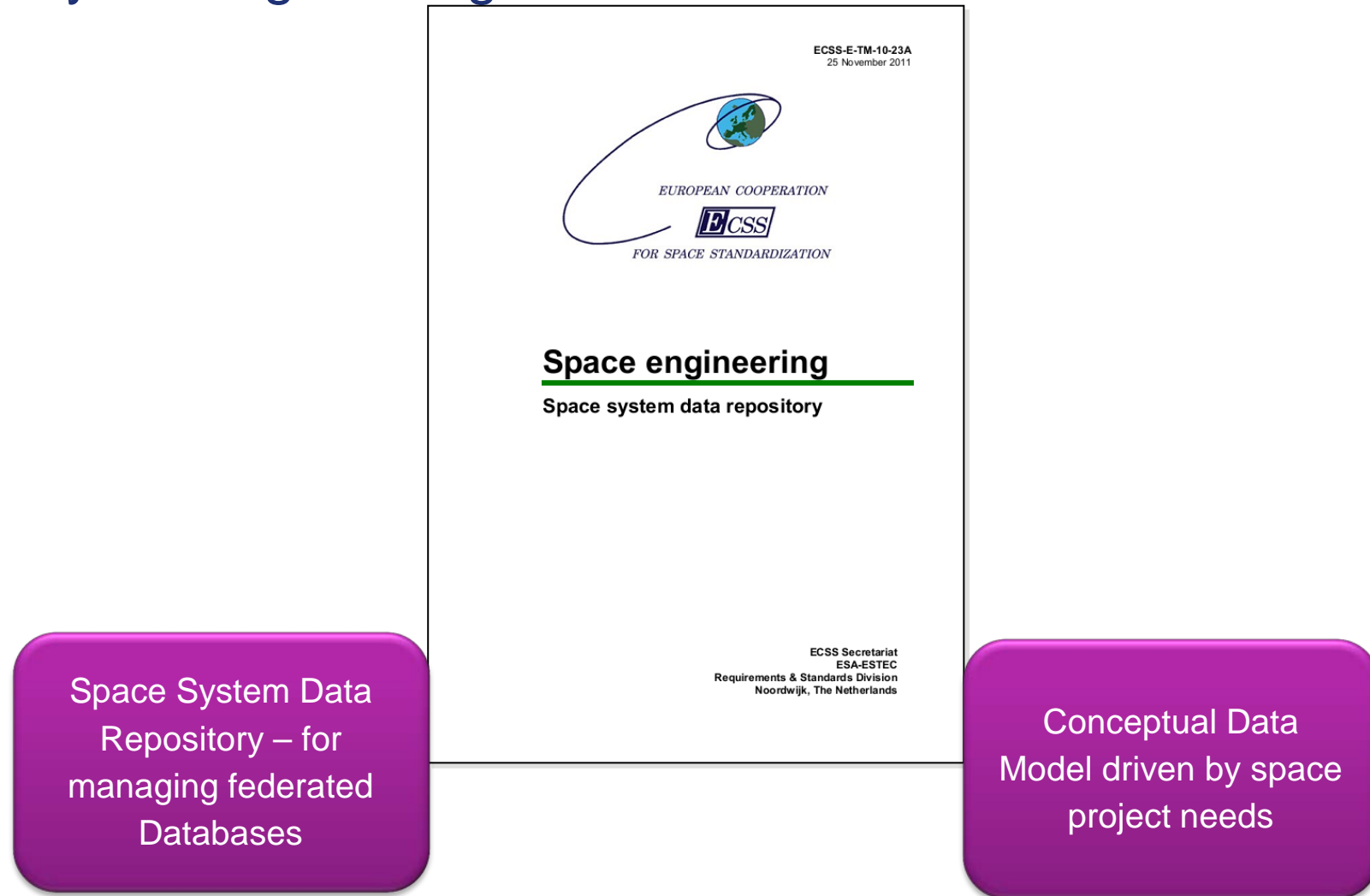
The various database and tools in use, also put much more emphasis on semantic consistent data sharing and exchange



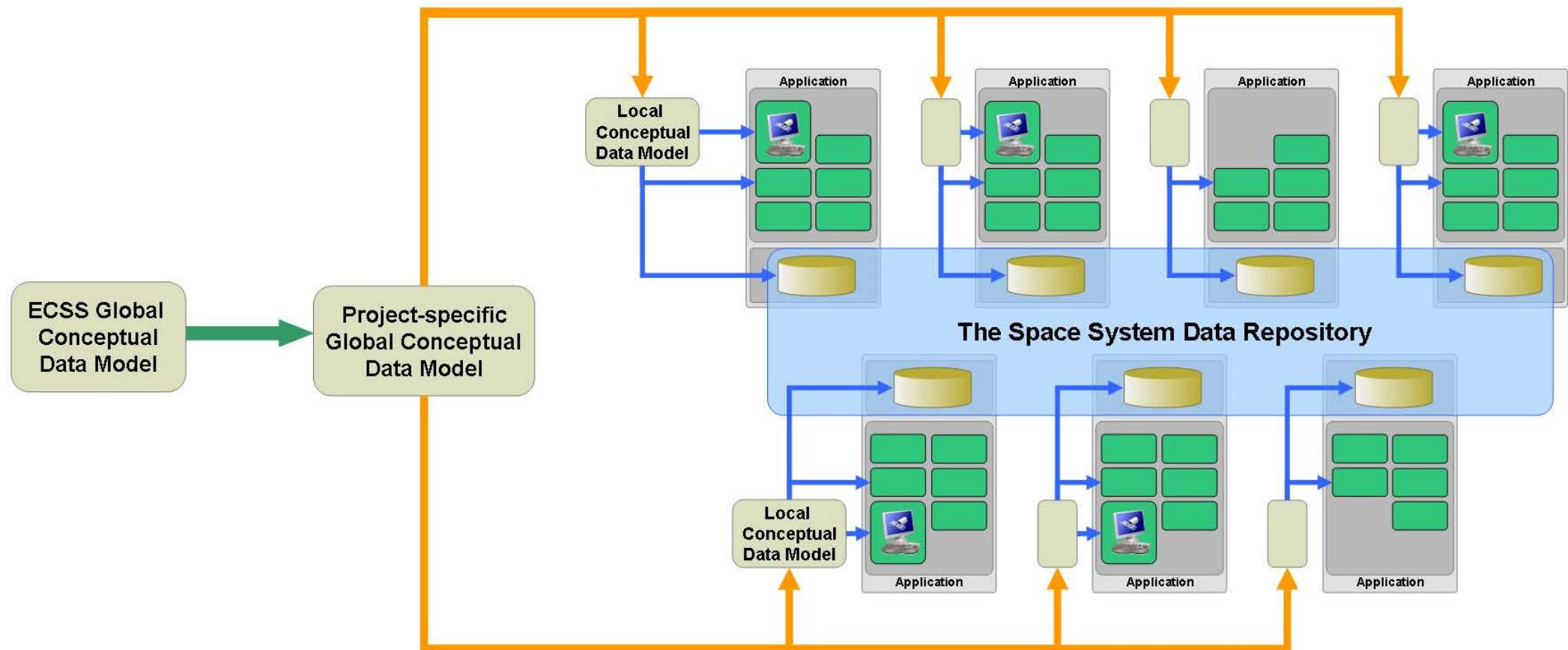
The integration of discipline data (including) avionics delivers an essential part of MBSE and Digital Engineering



ECSS-E-TM-10-23 introduced 2 concepts in order to manage complexity of “Engineering Database” to facilitate MBSE for Space

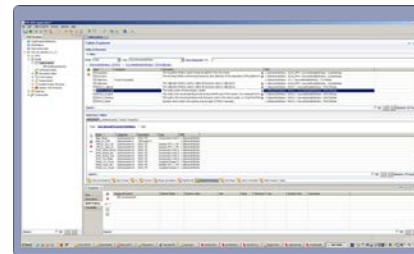
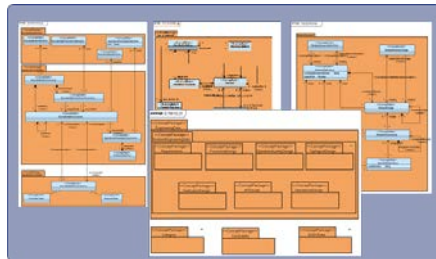
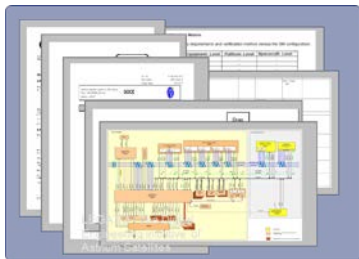
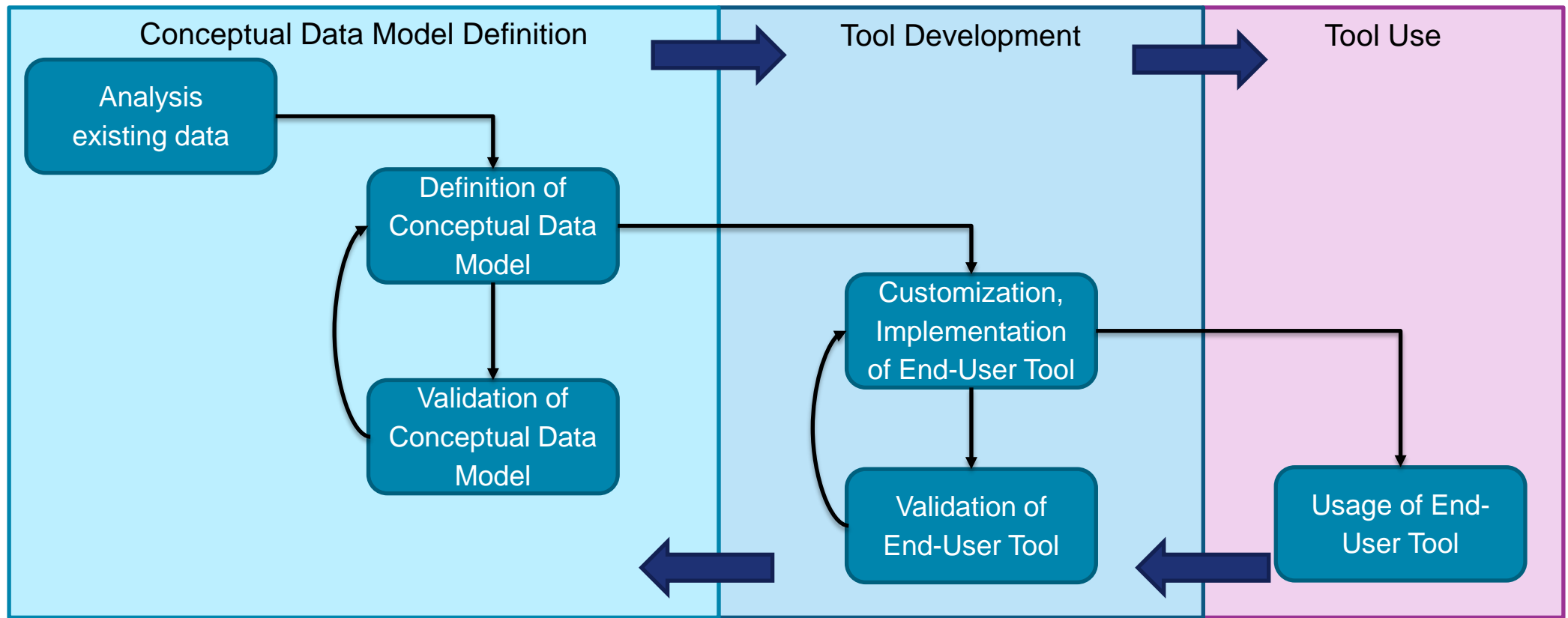


Space system repository for managing the federation of databases, i.e. the sharing of data across different databases

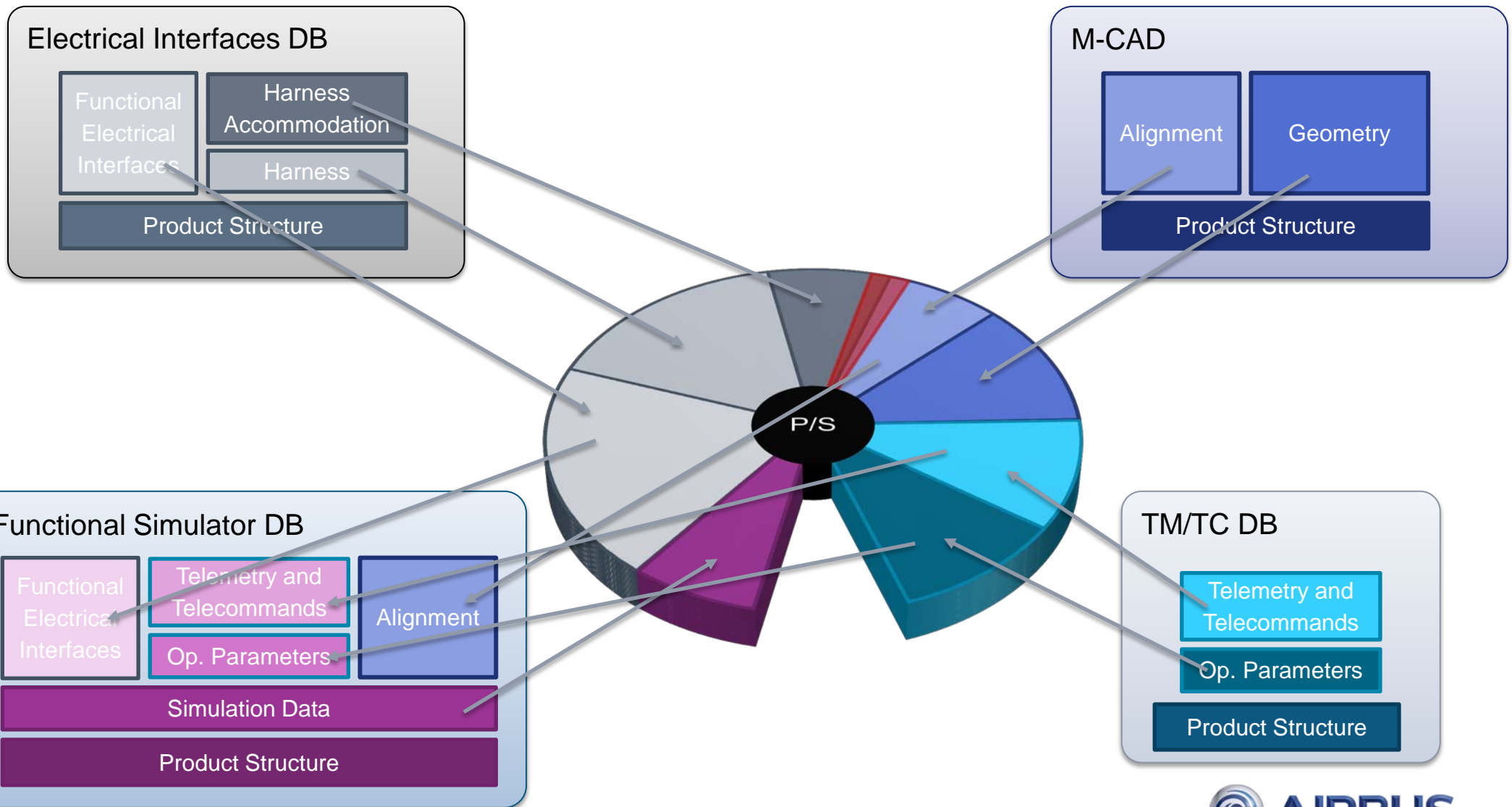


The vision as expressed in
ECSS E-TM 10-23

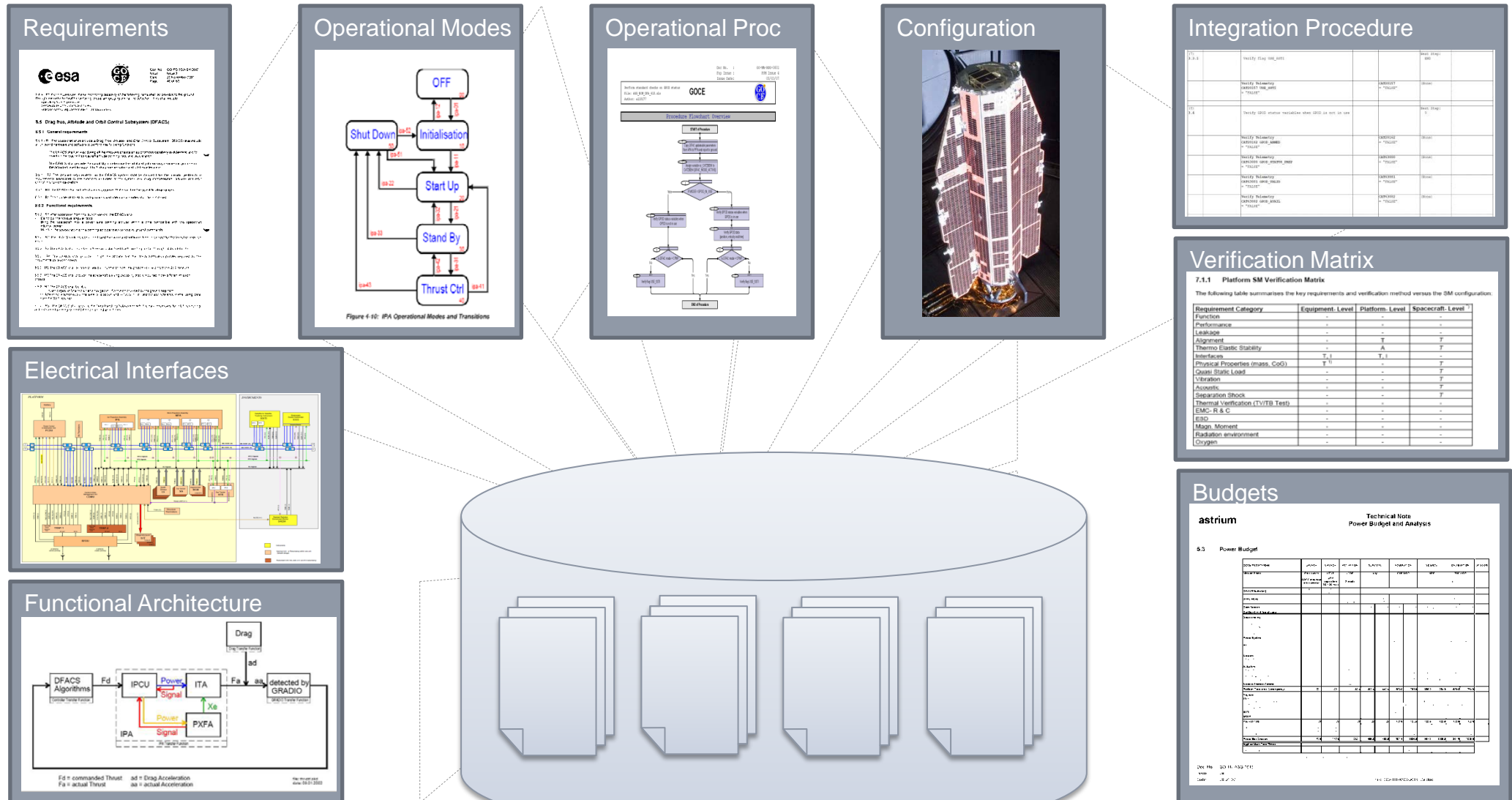
Conceptual data modeling is a key activity in order to bridge business needs into tool realization (customization or development)



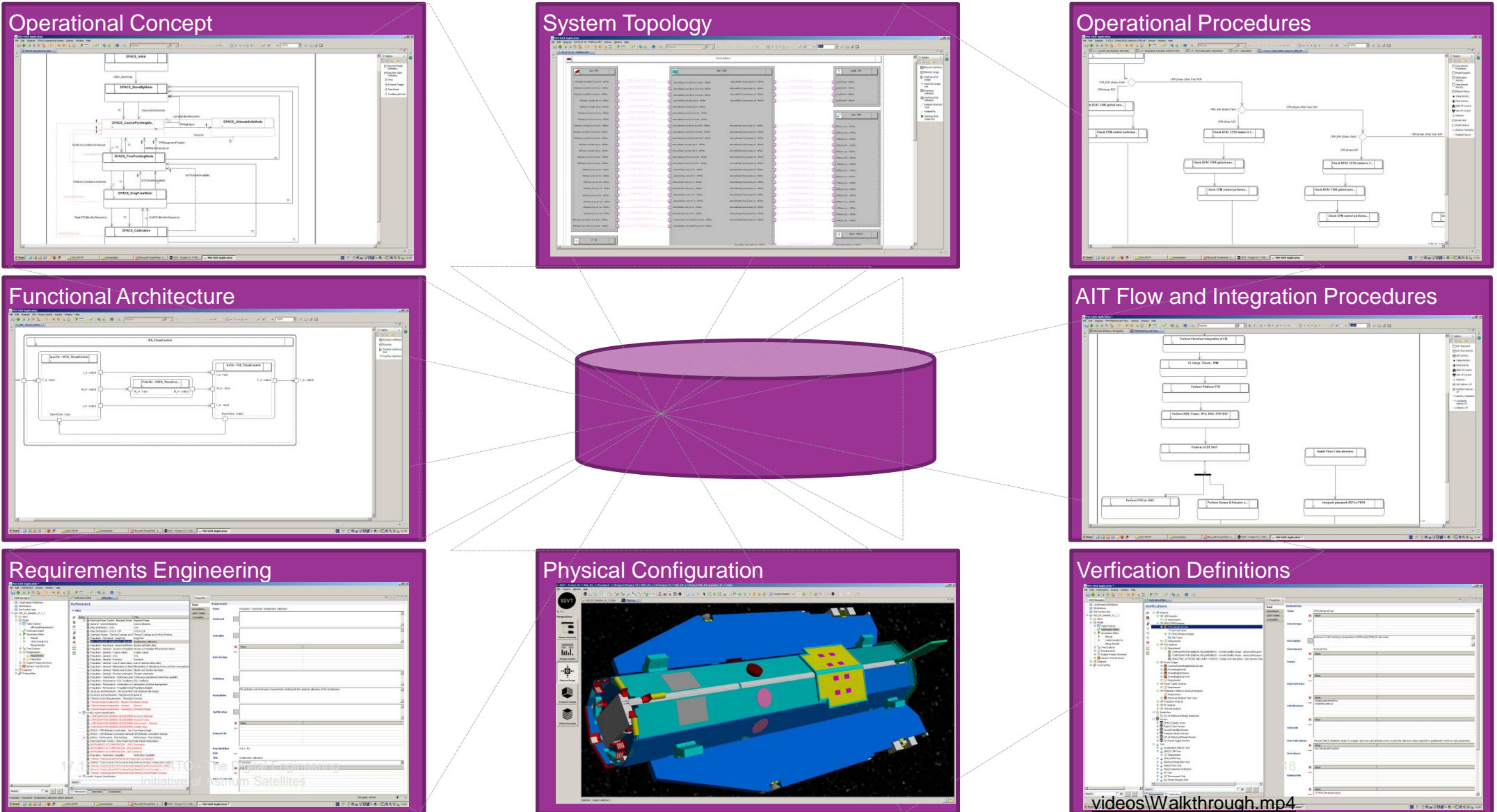
Shared Product Structure required enabling the sharing, alignment and common management of system level relevant data



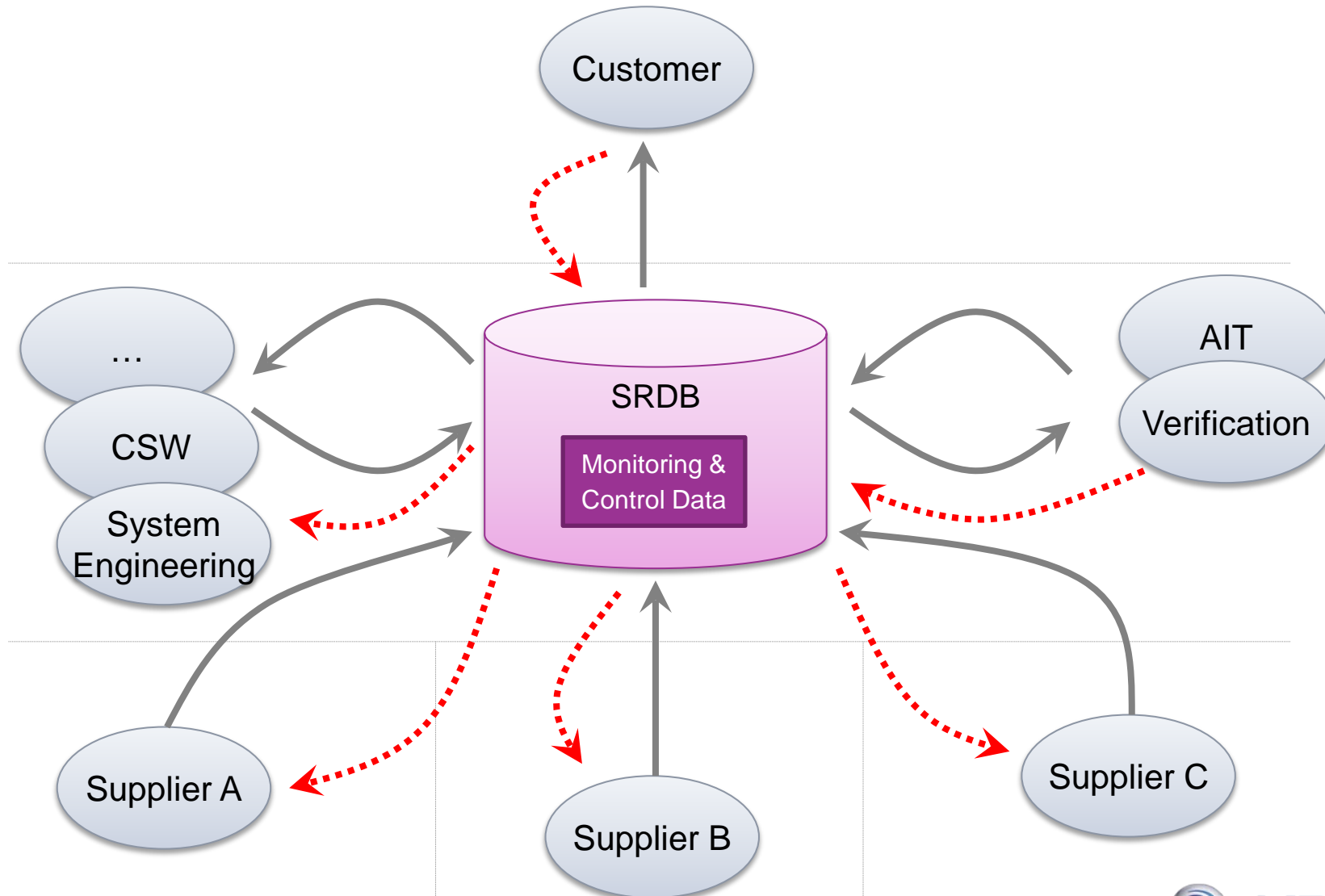
ESA TRP “Virtual Spacecraft Design” to demonstrate a solution for an integrated data management realizing ideas of E-TM-10-23



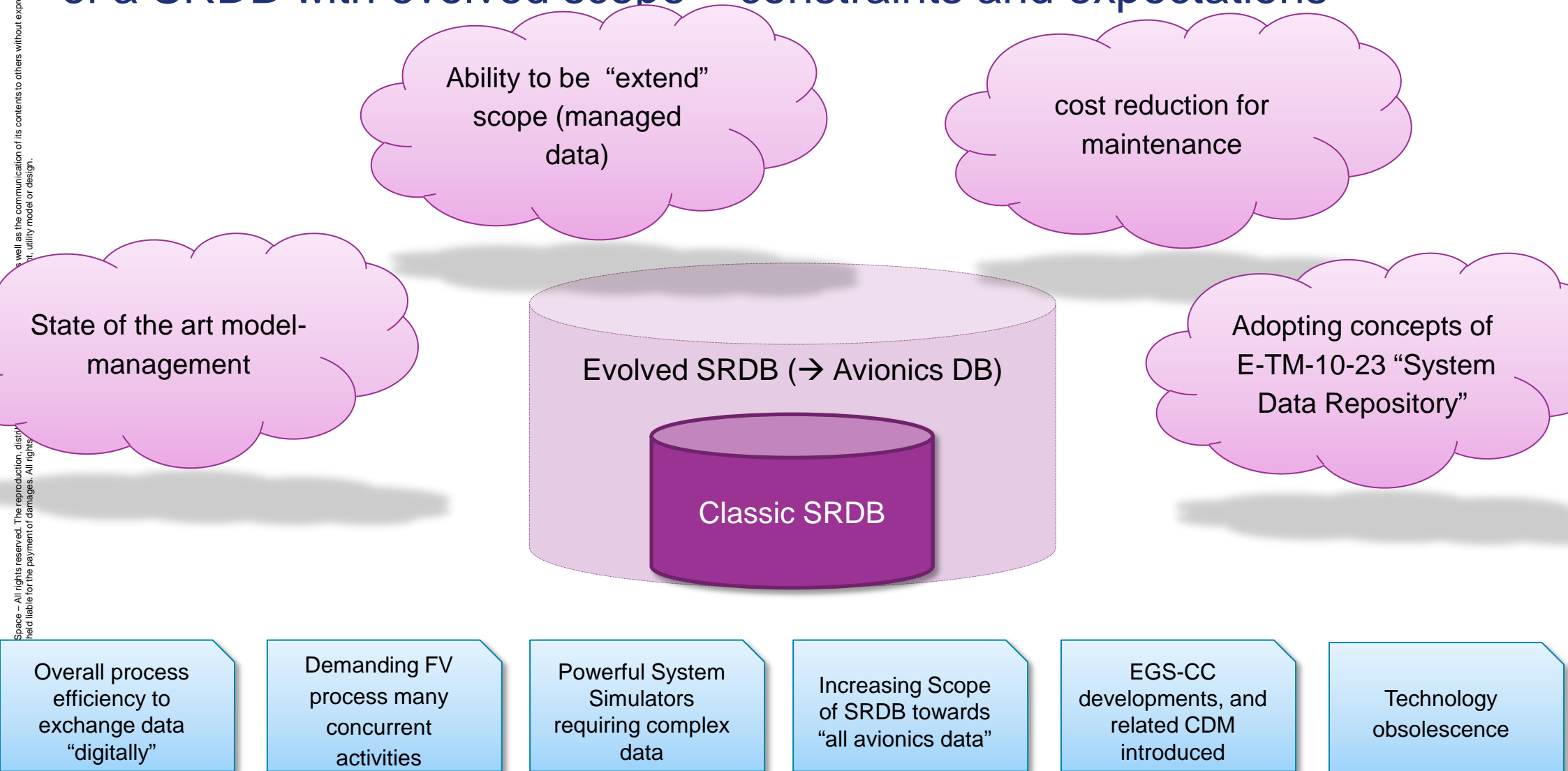
“Virtual Spacecraft Design” demonstrated that the realization of Space System Data Repository of ECSS-E-TM-10-23 is possible



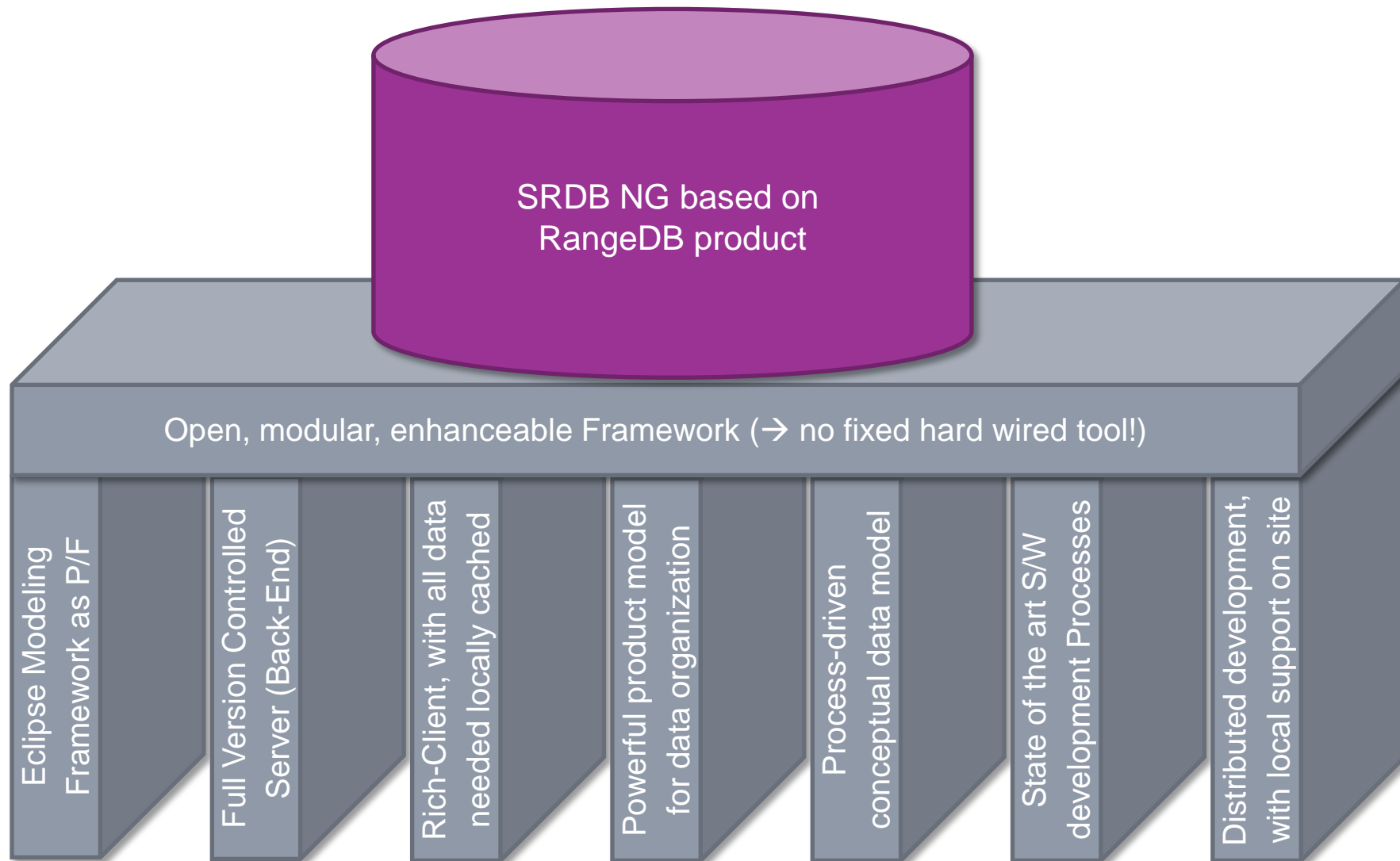
A classic SRDB is an information hub, right in the centre of a heavy-weight concurrent engineering process in late phases



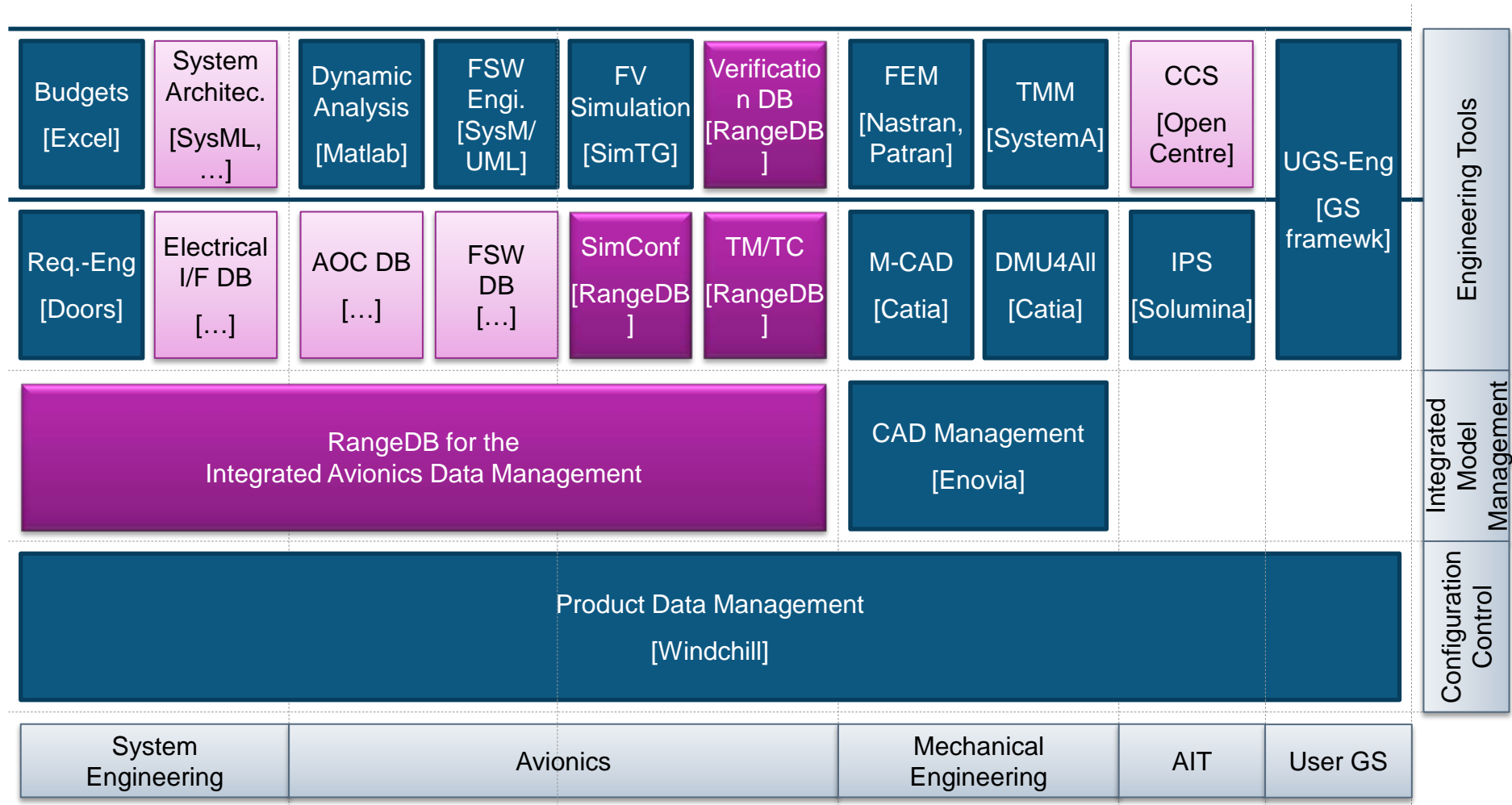
RangeDB: Development of a new product allowing the configuration of a SRDB with evolved scope – constraints and expectations



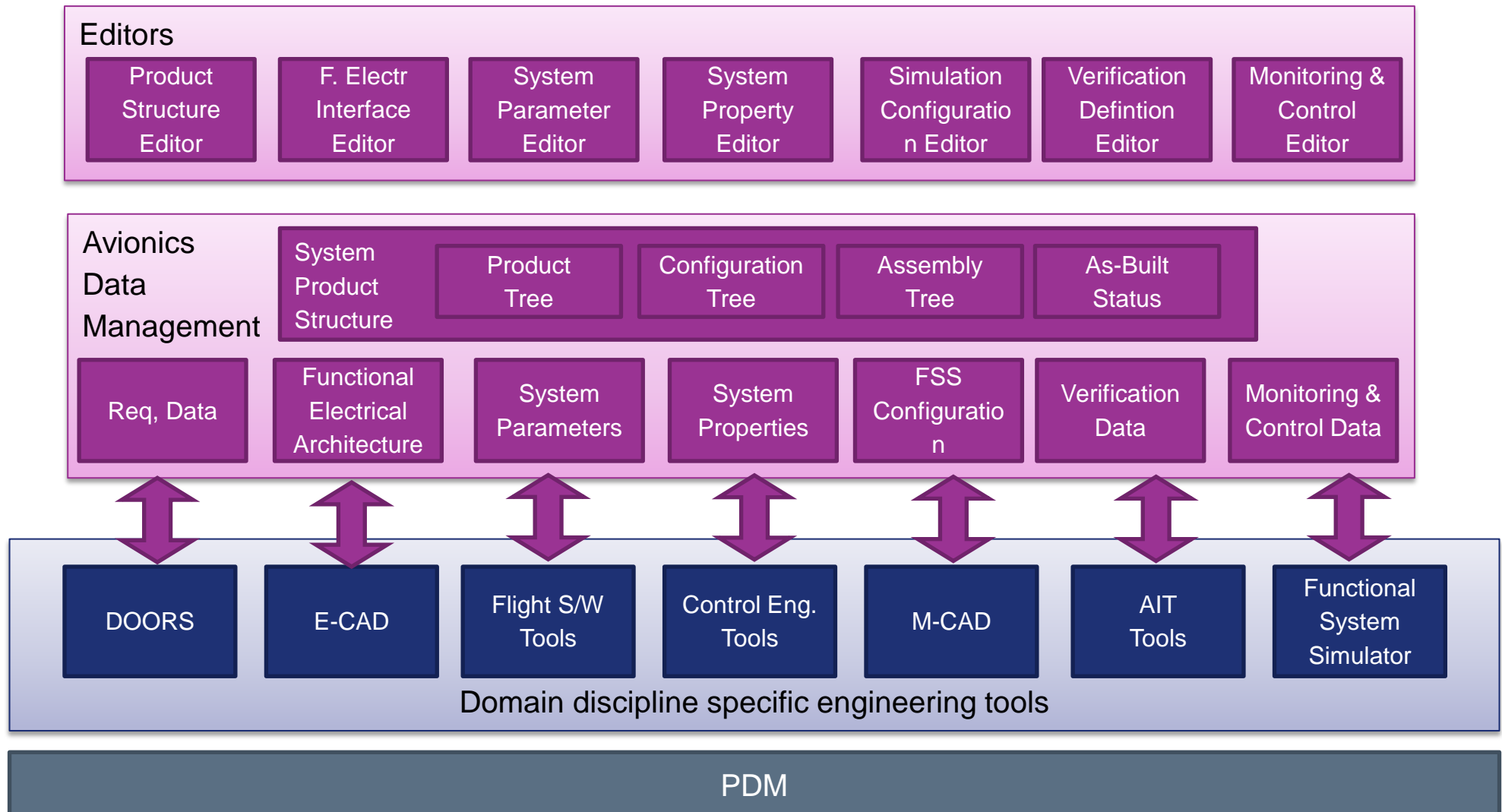
The following technological concepts are forming the pillars, the RangeDB product is relying on to meet the expressed expectations



RangeDB forms the underlying framework allowing managing “all avionics” related data in a coherent way along ECSS-TM-10-23



Architectural view of the RangeDB with external interfaces, internally managed data, and view for inspecting / changing data



Conclusion

In the past decade significant progress has been made to improve discipline processes with models / DB

The “Digital Engineering” Integration Framework is a key element for proper interoperability

- COTS (e.g. Matlab/Simulink) can be integrated “as they are”
- Development and improved sharing of data management functions is possible
- Technologies are now mature (strongly relying on Open Source mainstream technologies) and used to deploy the Framework

In general an harmonization effort on space system data repository might play a major role in managing the transition towards integrated model-based engineering (→ MBSE)

- Providing a vision for the future overall collaboration framework through an overall roadmap
- Standardization to be done on ECSS should take into account international efforts like OMG, ISO, ...
- The Open Source approach is to be considered in the context of the Space Community needs and business models