

Scaling Model-Based System Engineering Practices for System of Systems Applications: Software Methods

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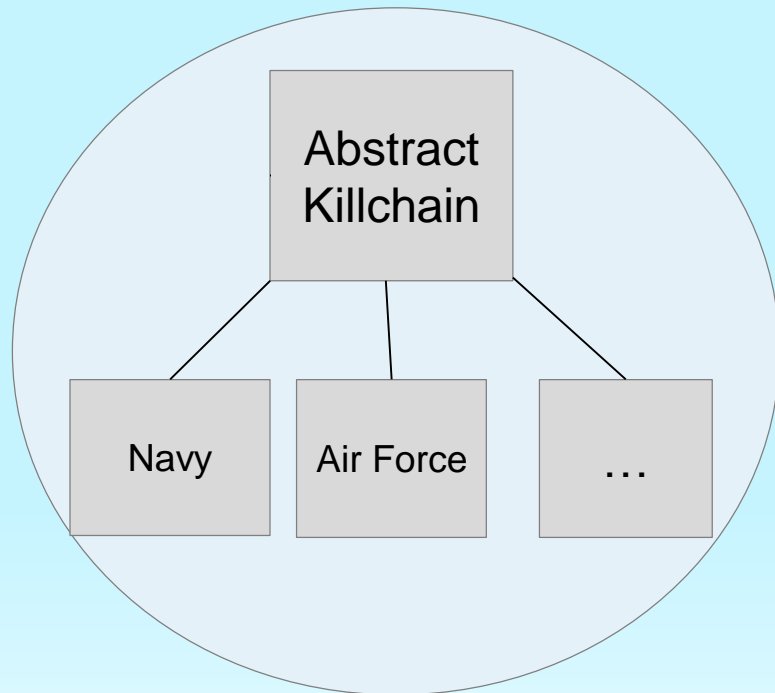
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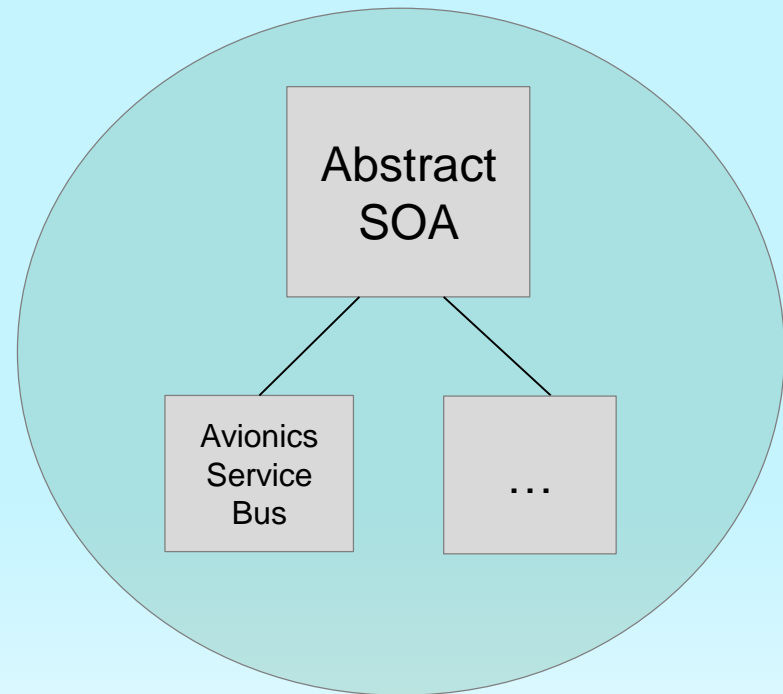
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Technical Approach: Inheritable Architectures



Kill Chain Architecture

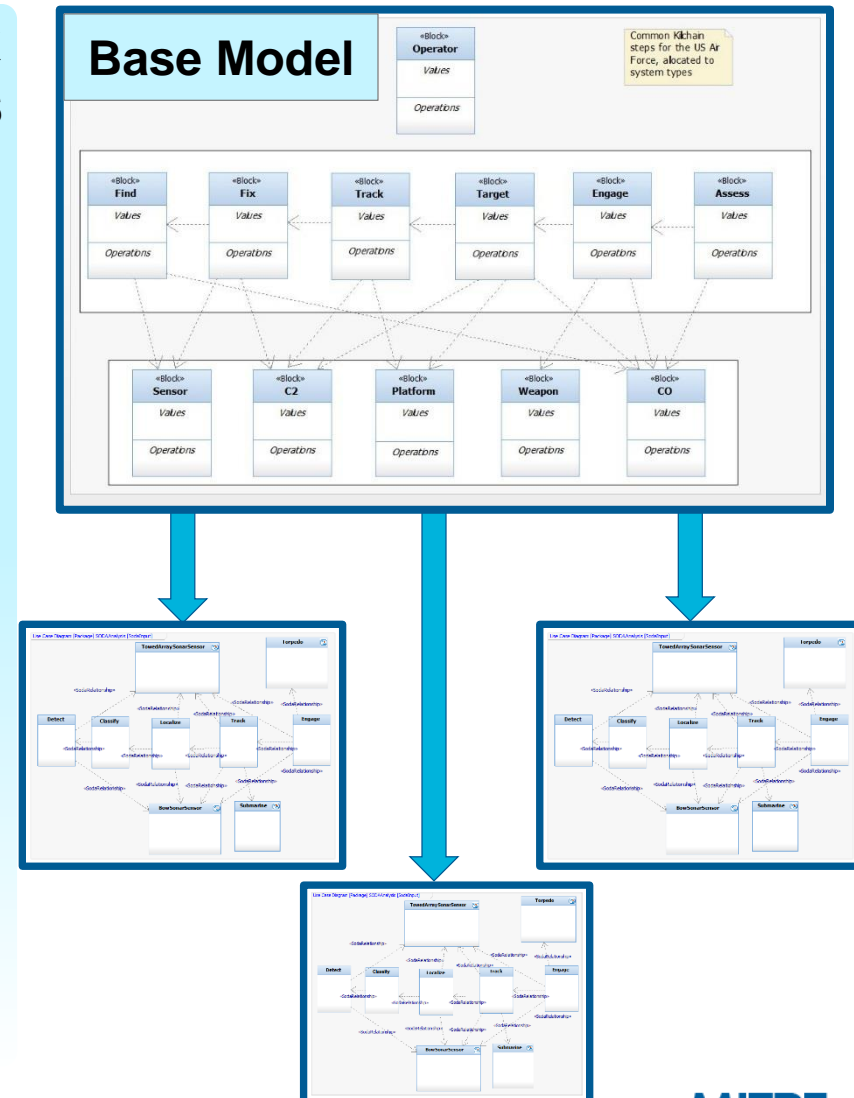


Service Oriented Architecture (SOA)

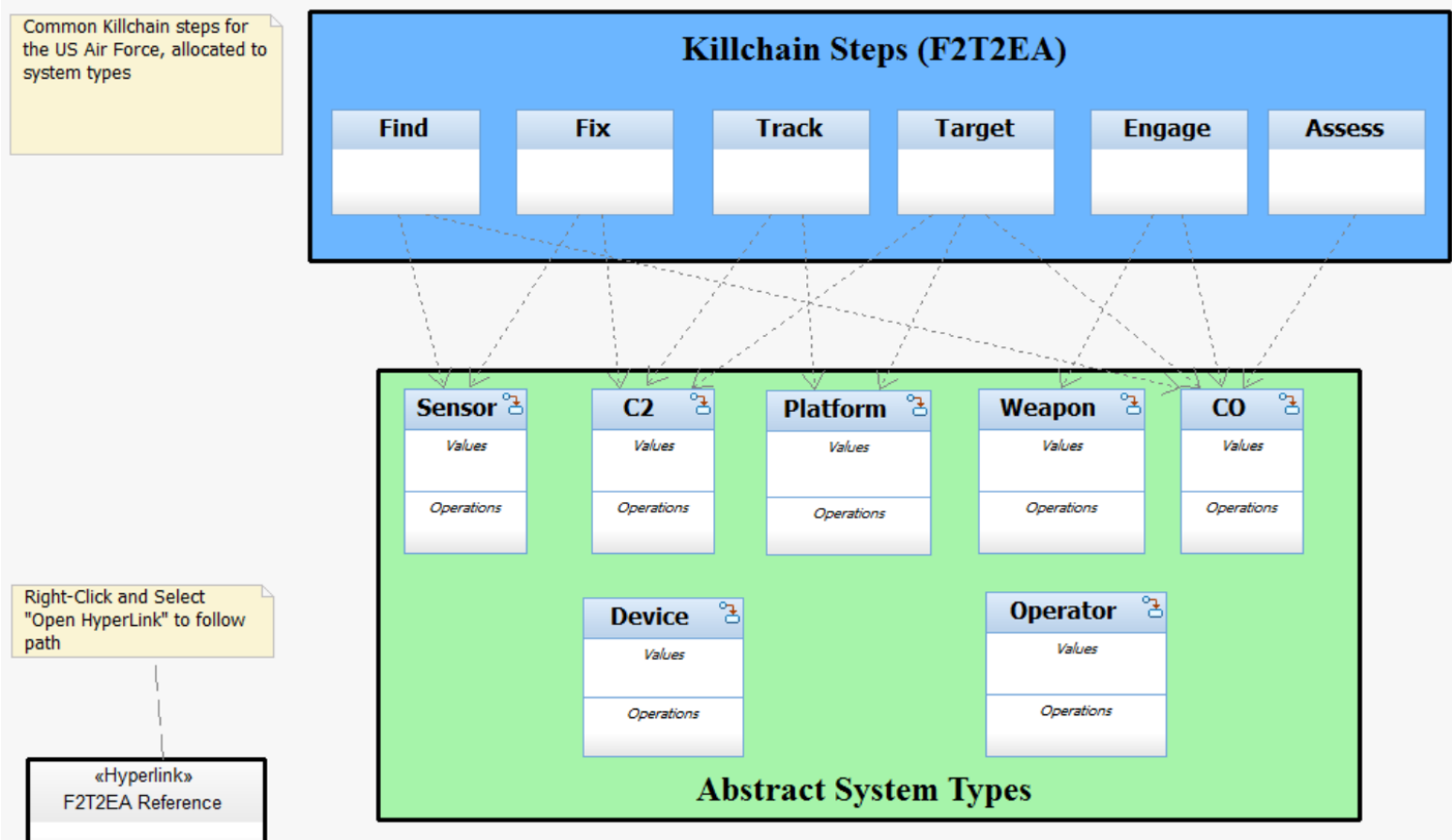
Enables Model Re-use corresponding to different architecture patterns

Base Model Architecture

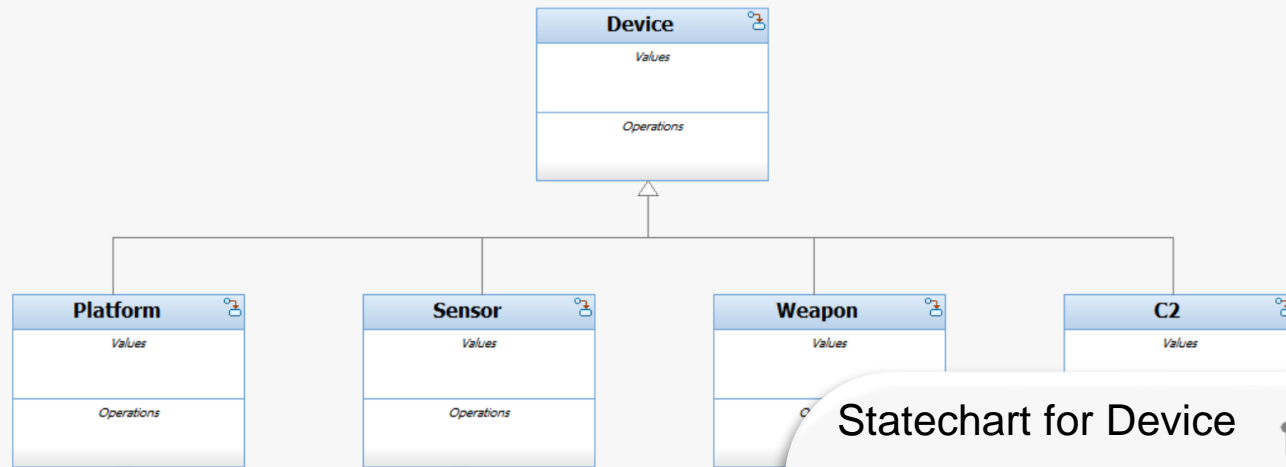
- **Base/Derivative Model Framework**
 - Base Model captures key functional SoS architecture
 - Derivative model represent domain-specific behavior
- **This approach helps:**
 - Accelerate domain model development via Base Model reuse
 - Rapidly evaluate different options utilizing predefined stereotypes and analysis engines
 - Iterative design to continuously refine common SoS functions



Base Model: High Level Structure

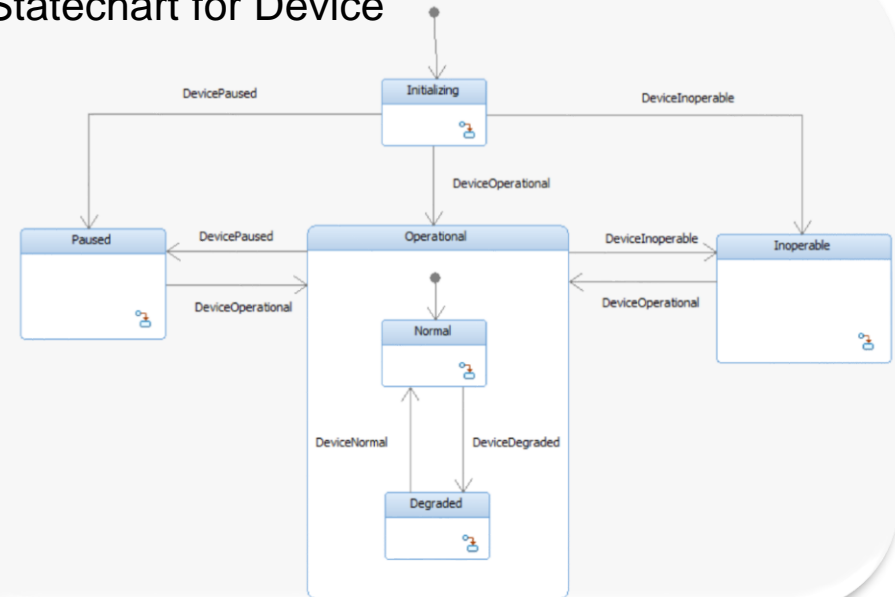


Base Model: Inheritance Structure



Inheritable and reusable Statecharts

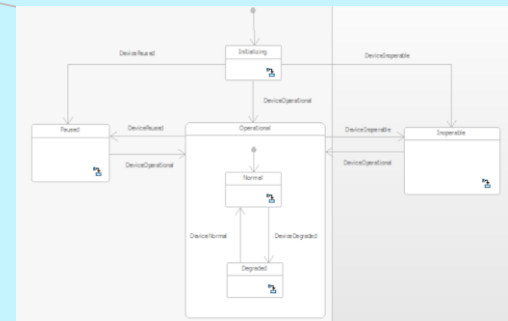
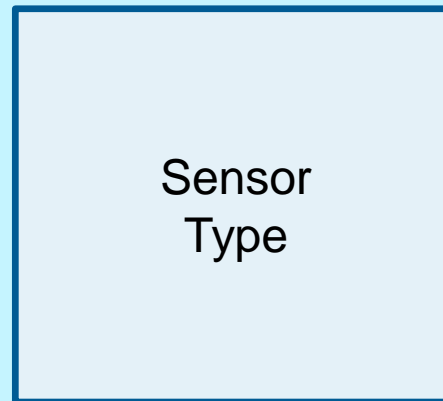
Statechart for Device



BASE Model: Inheritable Types

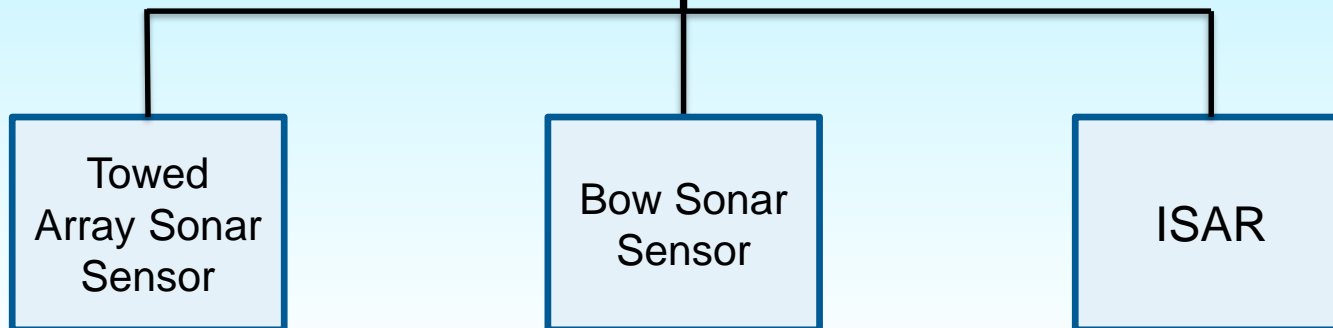
BASE

- Operations (i.e. functions)
 - processSignals()
- Attributes (i.e. metrics)
 - MaxRange

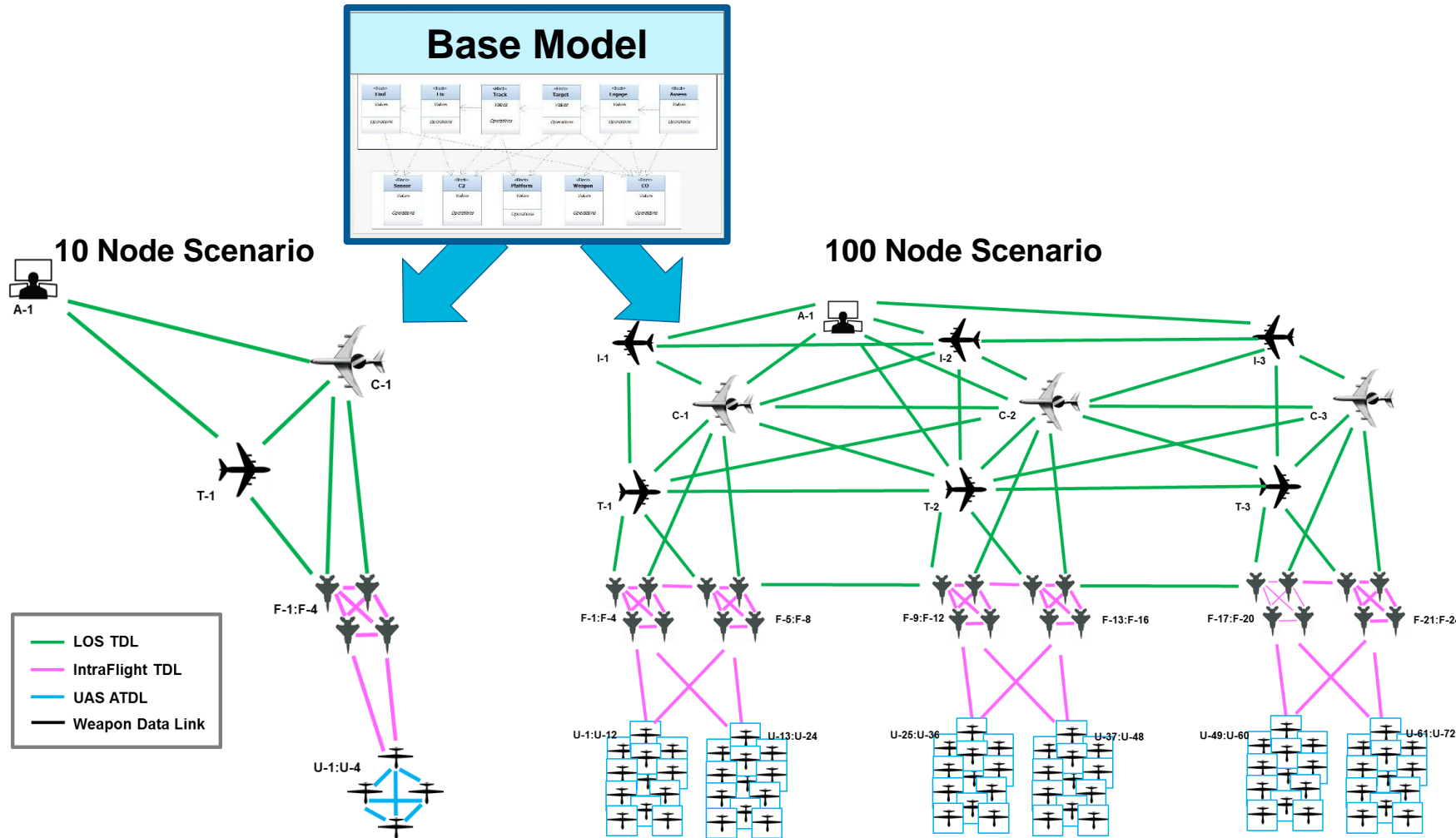


DERIVATIVE

(e.g. CDMaST)



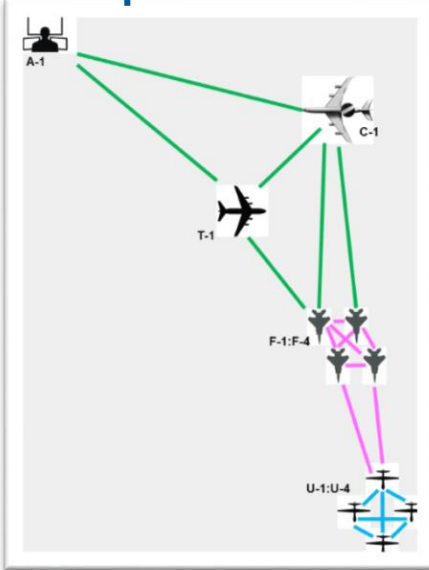
Base Model CSV Importer



MBE Utility to reduce development effort associated with modeling large SoS complex networks

CSV Importer Utility

Conceptualize SoS Architecture



Run CSV Importer Utility to automatically generate model/JMS Pub/Sub Architecture

The screenshot shows an IDE window with a project structure on the left and a code editor on the right. The project structure includes 'Components', 'Packages', 'Default', and 'Classes'. Under 'Classes', there is a class named «MessageSubscriber» AOC. The code editor shows the implementation of the 'initTopicSubscriptions()' method in the AOC class.

```

void initTopicSubscriptions()
{
    BrokerServices svcs = BrokerServices.getInstance();
    TopicManager topicMgr = svcs.getTopicManager();
    for (int i=0; i<subscribesTo.length; i++){
        topicMgr.subscribe(AOC.this, topicMgr.topicForN
    }
}
    
```

Add Connectivity Framework

	PUBLISHERS					
	AOC	C2	Tanker	Fighter	UAS	
SUBSCRIBERS	AOC	threats, missionOutcome				
C2	aocDecisions			fightersToC2		
Tanker		beginMission, missionOutcome		lowFuel	lowFuel	
Fighter		beginMission		intraFlightTDL	UASsToFighters	
UAS				fightersToUASs	uasATDL	

Base Model GUI

- A MATLAB GUI has been built to simplify the process of populating a connectivity matrix
- The tool outputs a CSV file that can then be imported into the architecture model

The screenshot displays the Base Model GUI interface. On the left, the 'Setup Objects' panel shows the 'Class' set to 'Fighter', 'Multiplicity' set to '2', and 'Start' set to '1'. Below these are 'Delete Object(s)' and 'Create Object(s)' buttons. The 'Setup Connections' panel features two lists of objects: the left list contains 'itsAOC_1', 'itsC2_1', 'itsTanker_1', 'itsFighter_1', and 'itsFighter_2'; the right list contains 'itsAOC_1', 'itsC2_1', 'itsTanker_1', 'itsFighter_1', and 'itsFighter_2'. 'itsC2_1' and 'itsFighter_1' are selected in both lists. 'Create Connection(s)' and 'Delete Connection(s)' buttons are positioned between the lists. On the right side of the GUI, a connectivity matrix is displayed as a table:

	itsAOC_1	itsC2_1	itsTanker_1	itsFighter_1	itsFighter_2
itsAOC_1	0	0	0	0	0
itsC2_1	0	0	0	1	1
itsTanker_1	0	0	0	0	0
itsFighter_1	0	1	0	0	0
itsFighter_2	0	1	0	0	0

At the bottom of the GUI, there is a text input field containing 'scenario.csv' and a 'Save' button.

Demonstration

IBM Rational Rhapsody Developer for Java - [Welcome to Rhapsody]

File Edit View Layout Tools Window Help

Basic

Entire Model View

Project

- Components
- Packages
 - Default
 - PredefinedTypes (REF)
 - PredefinedTypesJava (REF)
 - Profiles
 - Settings

IBM Rational Rhapsody

Overview Documentation Support Samples Testing Gateway

Rhapsody Solutions

Explore various Rhapsody solutions for different modeling environments and learn how to utilize them.

Proceed

New Project

Create a new Rhapsody Project.

Proceed

Open Project

Open a previously created Rhapsody Project.

Proceed

Documentation

Access the latest product information and browse relevant documentation and tutorials.

Training and Support

Visit the Client Center, Knowledge Base, Community Bulletin Board or email technical support.

Project Samples

Open sample models that demonstrate Rhapsody's features and provide development ideas for new projects.

Log Check Model Build Configuration Management Animation

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Q2 Metrics – Experiments

■ Qualitative

- Experiment 1: Give the base model to MITRE employees to use on their projects as they see fit. Collect feedback.
 - Likes, dislikes, pain points, time savings estimates, description of use case, experience level
 - Time Cost: 30 min interview

■ Quantitative

- Experiment 2: Give MITRE employees a sample coms network and have them create it by hand and by using the CSV importer
 - Networks of different sizes
 - Measure time to complete exercise
 - Time Cost: Approx. 45 min per data point
- Experiment 3: Randomized control trial with ~20 new interns
 - Group A: Create reference model from scratch
 - Group B: Create reference model using base model

Metrics – Experiment 1 Results

■ Project 1:

- 3 reviewers
- Not adopted

■ Feedback:

- “...This base model would be a great reference, e.g., utilizing the package structure framework used, with the inheritable architectures and the focus on reuse.”
- “...We expect to draw ideas from it as we build our own model.”
- “We intend to focus more on activity diagrams than state charts.”
- “Our project is not in the context of the Air Force, so we would have to change the block and activity names.”
- “Overall it is not a good fit for [our project].”

■ Project 2:

- 1 reviewer
- Adopted

■ Feedback:

– Qualitative

Base Model state charts look too “in-depth”, “specific”, need to take a closer look to see if they will work for my use case. But if they work, “that would be awesome”, it will save tons of time.

– Pseudo - Quantitative

Estimated time savings of **40 hours** on work completed so far.

– Update

Base Model has proven a good fit for project and has been used extensively.

Metrics – Experiment 2 Results

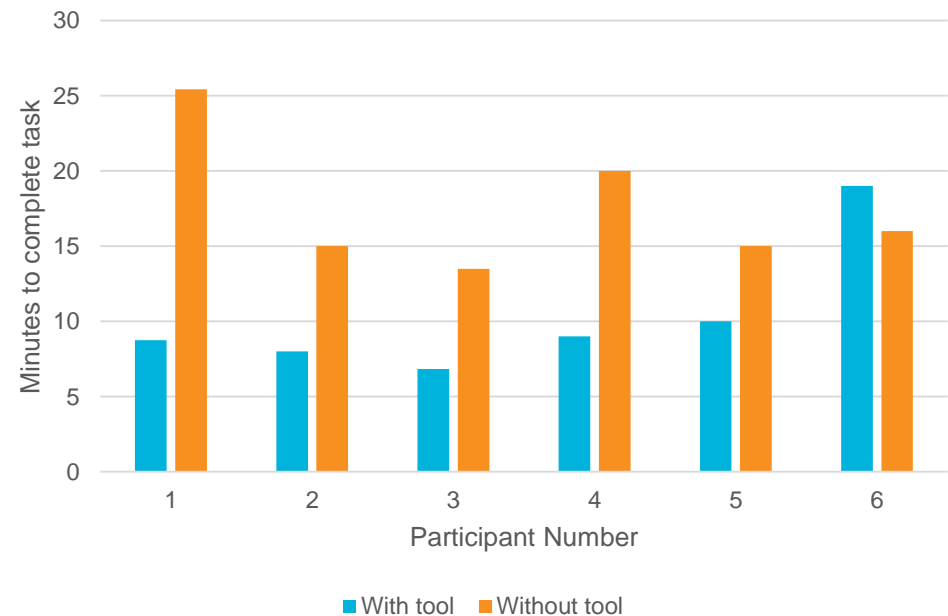
The Scenario

This is a hypothetical Air Force kill-chain scenario consisting of 1 ground control station (AOC), 1 air command and control (C2), 4 Fighter Jets, 4 Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UASs), and 1 Tanker.

- AOC needs to be able to communicate with C2, since C2 alerts AOC when there is a threat and then gets its orders from the ground.
- C2 also needs to be able to communicate with all fighters and the Tanker during the mission.
- Also, all fighters and UASs need to be able to communicate with the Tanker, since they'll occasionally need to refuel during flight.
- Every fighter needs to be able to communicate with every other fighter, and
- every UAS needs to be able to communicate with every other UAS.
- Moreover, every fighter should be able to communicate with every UAS, and vice versa.

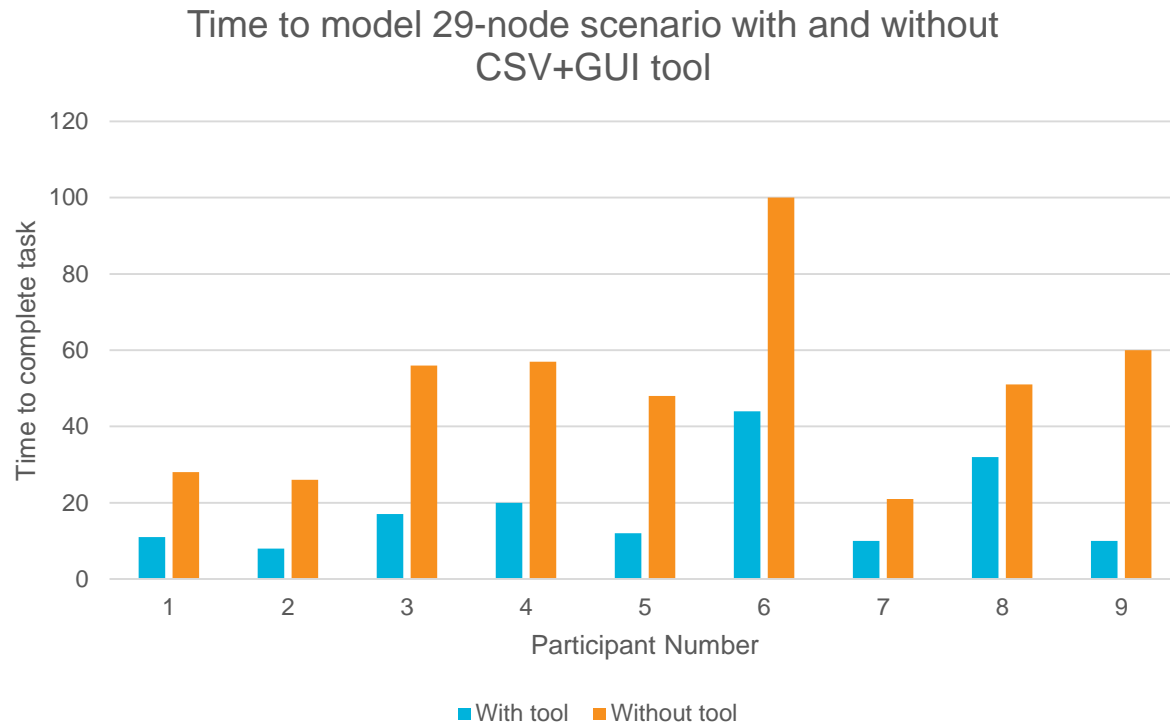
You may assume all communication channels are bi-directional (any communication matrix you set up should be symmetric with respect to rows and columns).

Time to model 11-node scenario with and without CSV tool



Time savings
Mean: 39%
Standard Dev: 12%

Metrics – Experiment 2 Results



Time savings

Mean: 63%

Standard Dev: 14%

Average mistakes

Without tool: 9.2

With tool: 0.8