

# MapleMBSE

An Excel-based MBSE Tool for  
Knowledge Sharing and Collaboration across the Enterprise

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# Maplesoft

## More than 30 years of Engineering Computation

- 1980: Research project at University of Waterloo, Ontario
- Company founded in 1988
- Leading provider of high-performance solutions for engineering, science and mathematics

## Global Presence

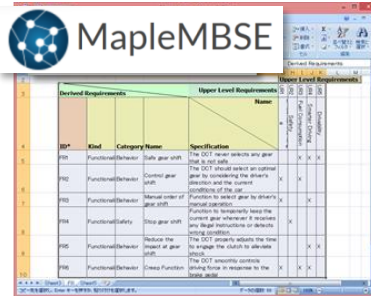
- Part of the Cybernet Group (since 2009)
- Offices in Canada, US, Germany, France, UK, China, Japan
- >30 partners worldwide



# Selected Customers...



# Model-driven Innovation for Engineering : Systems Design

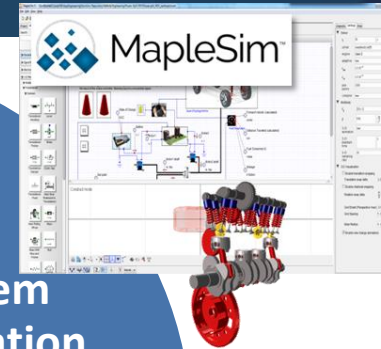


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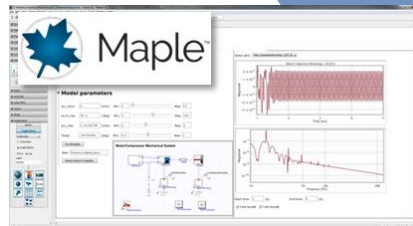
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ID	Kind	Category Name	Specification	Parent ID	Child ID	Parent ID	Child ID
R01	Functional/Behavior	Shift gear shift	The DCT must activate any gear that is not safe.				
R02	Functional/Behavior	Control gear shift	The DCT should select an optimal gear to considering the driver's decision and the current conditions of the car.				
R03	Functional/Behavior	Manual order of gear shift	Function to select gear by driver's manual operation.				
R04	Functional/Safety	Stop gear shift	Function to temporarily keep the current gear when it receives any illegal instructions or detects DTCs.				
R05	Functional/Behavior	Reduce the impact of gear shift	The DCT should reduce the time to engage the clutch for driver.				
R06	Functional/Behavior	Clutch Function	The DCT must control driving force in response to the DTCs.				

Systems  
Engineering

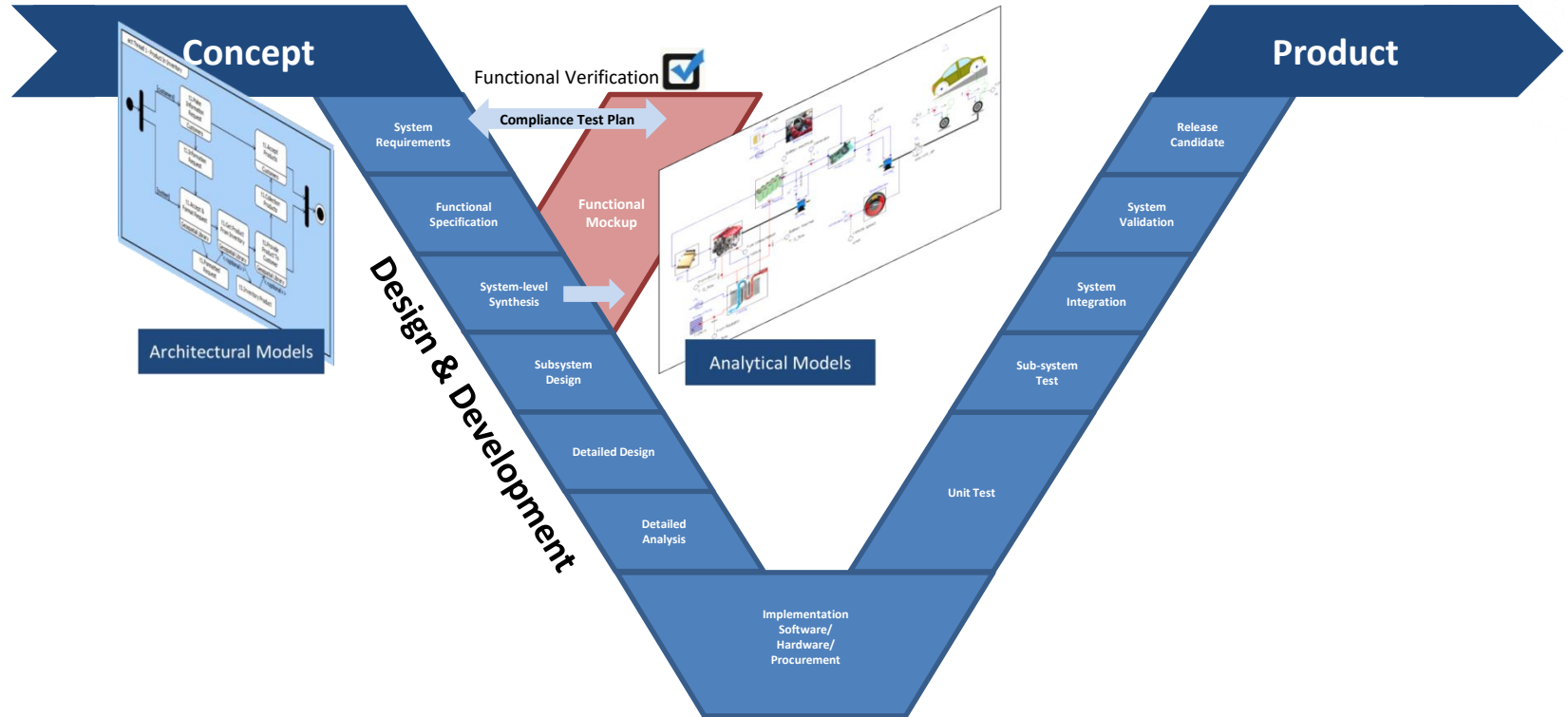
System  
Simulation



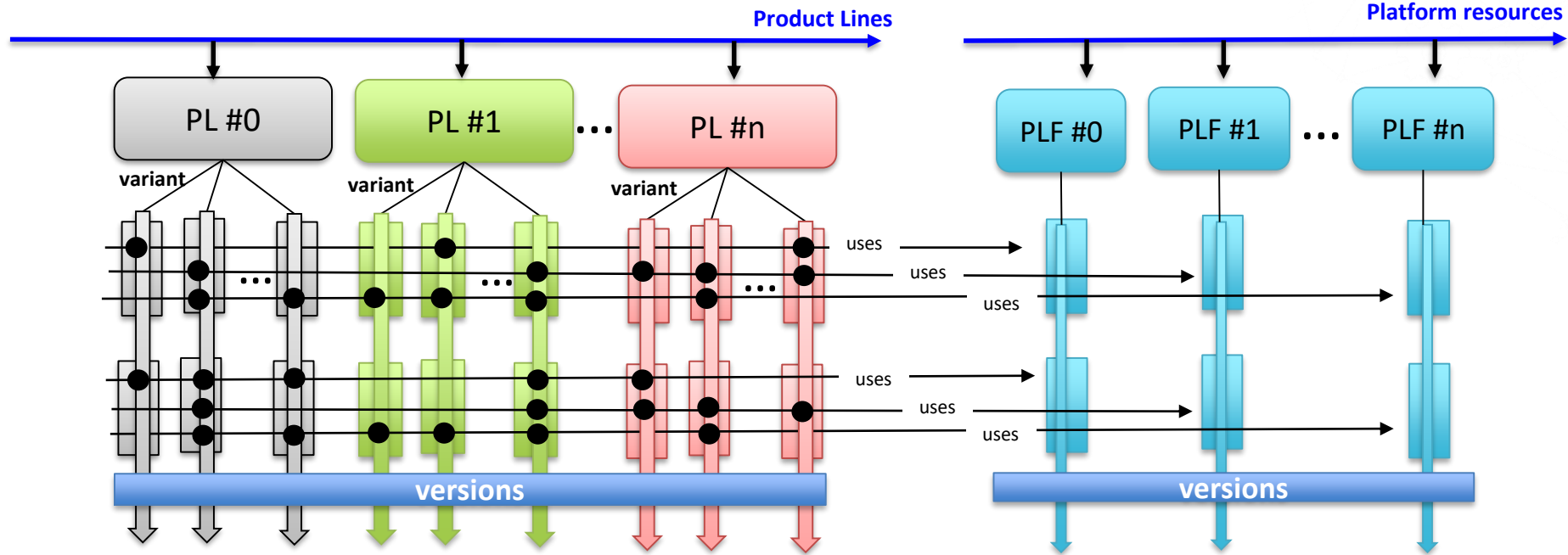
Calculation  
Management



# Systems Design & Development Process

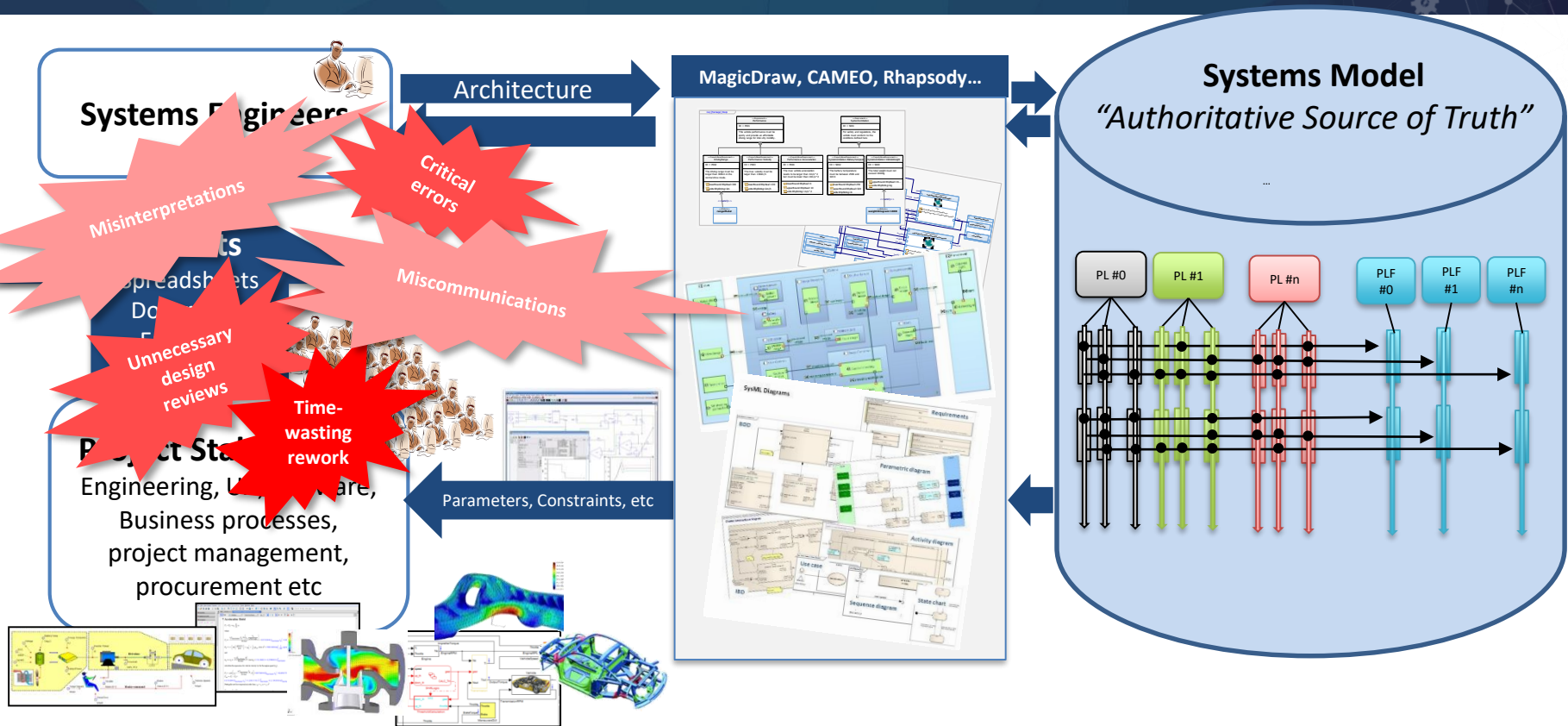


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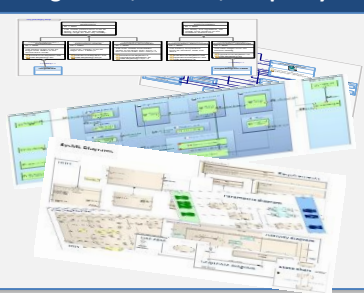
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**Systems Engineers**

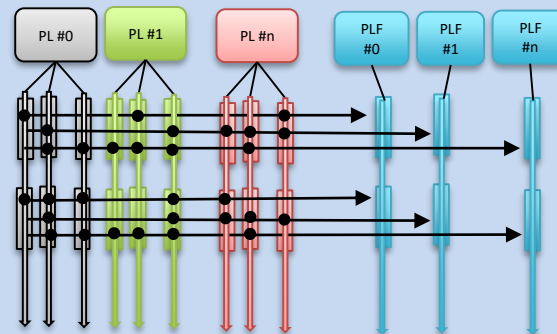


Architecture

MagicDraw, CAMEO, Rhapsody...



**Systems Model**  
*"Authoritative Source of Truth"*



**Results**

Spreadsheets  
Documents  
Email, etc



**Project Stakeholders**

Engineering, UX, software,  
Business processes,  
project management,  
procurement etc

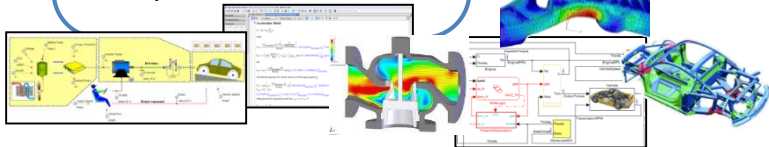
Parameters, Constraints, etc

Task-specific Views

Design Changes

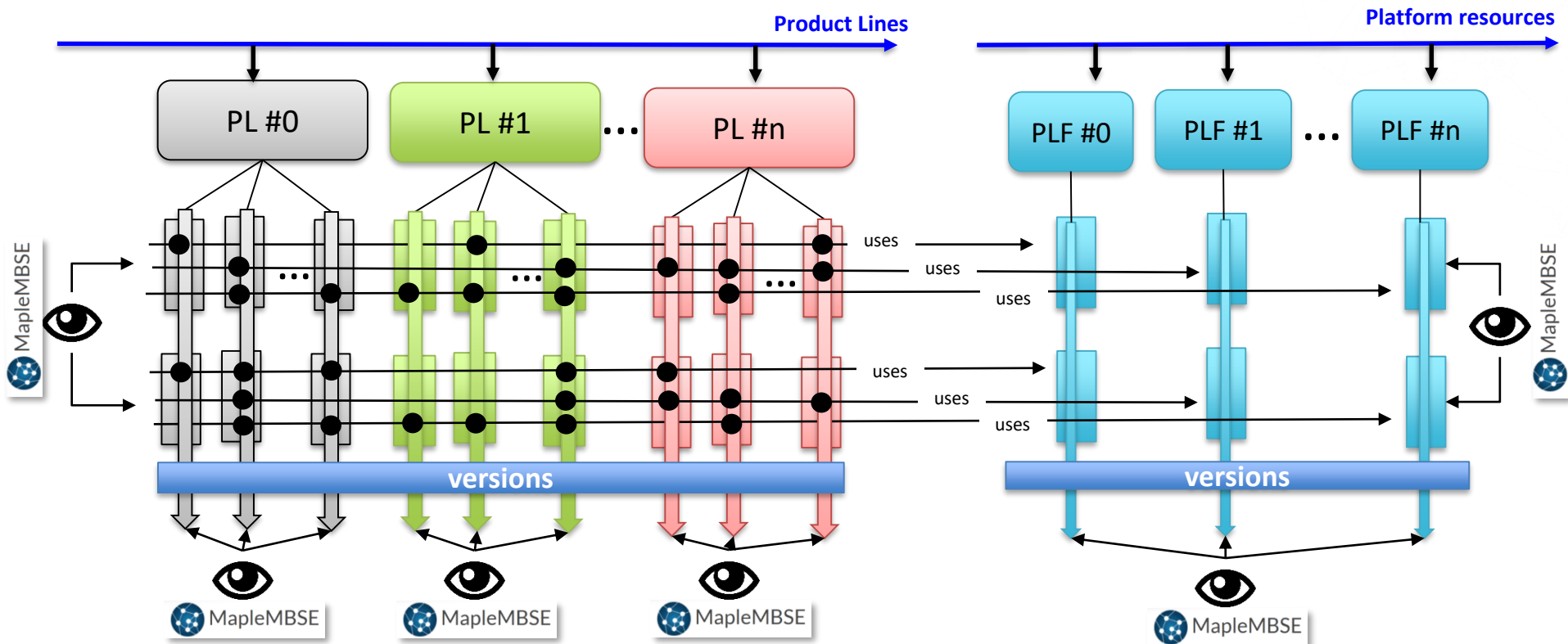
Trade studies, FMEA, etc

V&V: Compliance Tests

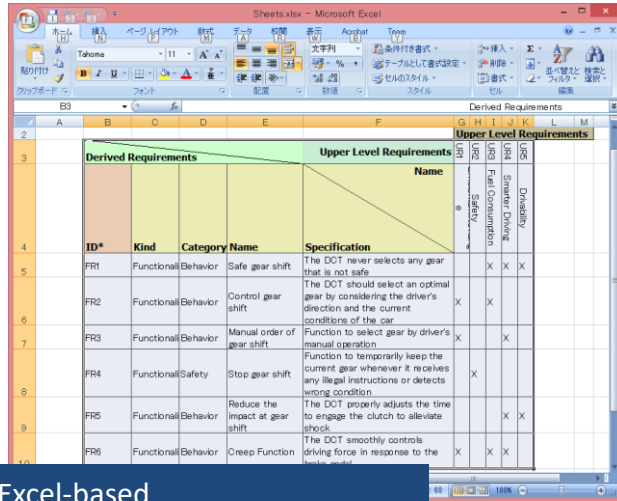




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# MapleMBSE



The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet titled 'Sheets.xlsx - Microsoft Excel'. The spreadsheet is divided into two main sections: 'Derived Requirements' and 'Upper Level Requirements'. The 'Derived Requirements' section has columns for ID#, Kind, Category, Name, and Specification. The 'Upper Level Requirements' section has columns for Name, Fuel Consumption, Safety, Drivability, and Starter Driving. The table contains six rows of data, each representing a different requirement.

Derived Requirements					Upper Level Requirements				
ID#	Kind	Category	Name	Specification	Name	Fuel Consumption	Safety	Drivability	Starter Driving
FR1	Functional Behavior	Safe gear shift		The DOT never selects any gear that is not safe.		X	X	X	
FR2	Functional Behavior	Control gear shift		The DOT should select an optimal gear by considering the driver's direction and the current conditions of the car.		X	X		
FR3	Functional Behavior	Manual order of gear shift		Function to select gear by driver's manual operation.		X		X	
FR4	Functional Safety	Stop gear shift		Function to temporarily keep the current gear whenever it receives any illegal instructions or detects wrong condition.		X			
FR5	Functional Behavior	Reduce the impact at gear shift		The DOT properly adjusts the time to engage the clutch to alleviate shock.				X	X
FR6	Functional Behavior	Creep Function		The DOT smoothly controls driving force in response to the		X	X	X	

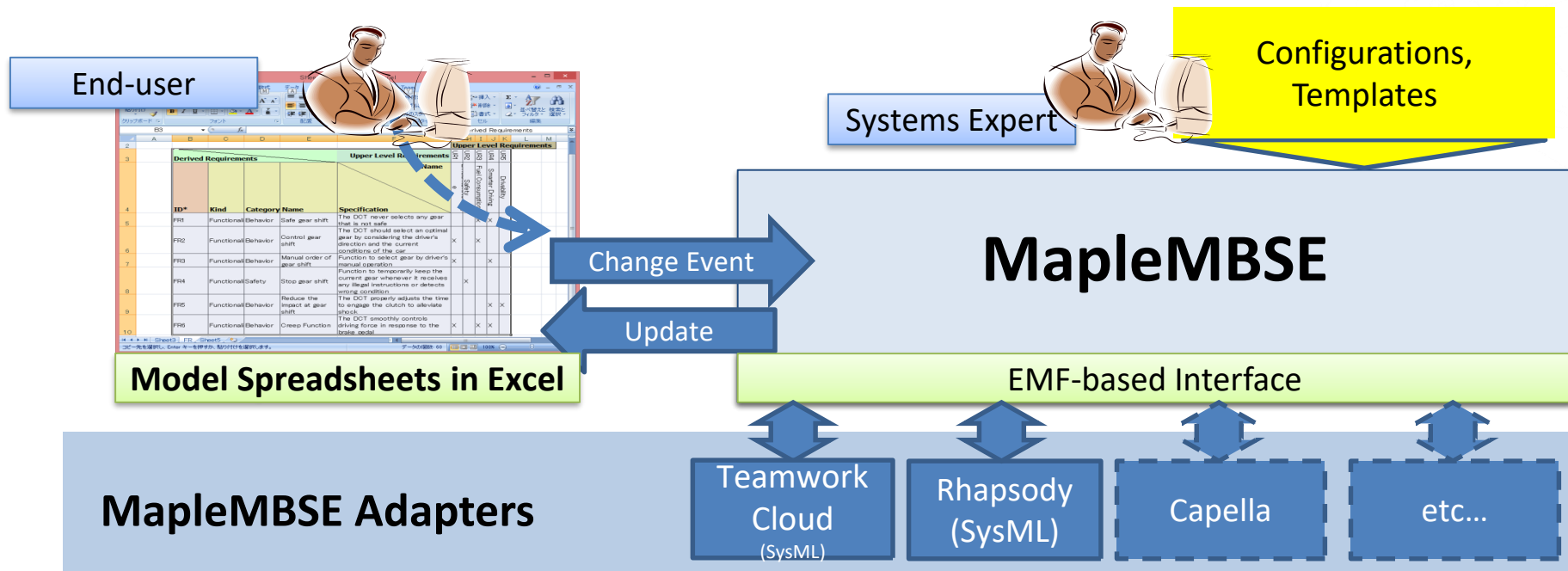
Excel-based development of system designs

- Intuitive, Excel-based UI for viewing, entering, and modifying system design information
- Synchronized updates between Excel and system model
  - Add new structures or modify existing ones
  - Instant impact analysis of design changes, eg conflicting requirements.
  - Perform FMEA, trade-studies, dependency analysis etc
- Customizable UI for task-specific views and analyses
- Integration with standard SE platforms, such as Rhapsody and MagicDraw/Teamwork Cloud (SysML)
- Interfaces and tools for rapid integration with other SE and PLM platforms

# MapleMBSE Architecture Overview

MapleMBSE enables systems-model development in Excel.

Since it is built on top of EMF, we can integrate many modeling tools by providing Adapters



# MapleMBSE Case Studies

# Case Study: Nissan — Overview

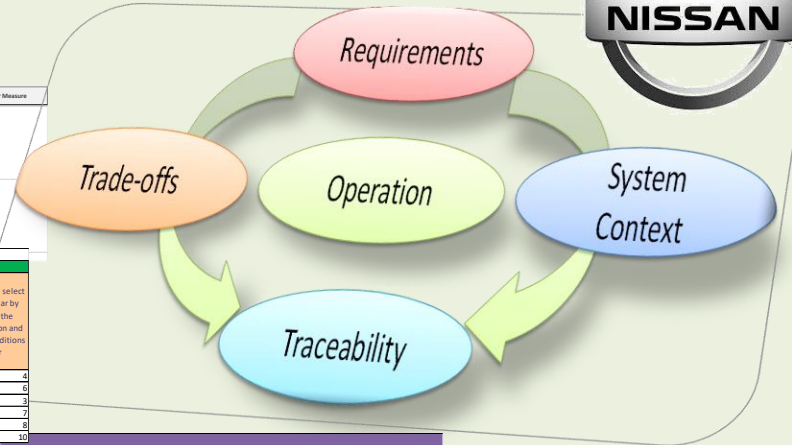
Integration of MapleMBSE with Nissan7 Systems Engineering Process

## Nissan7 Modeling with Spreadsheet through MapleMBSE

FWMA No.	Component	Target	Guidance	Guide Word	Testing	Description	Cause	Effect (Desired Analysis)	Vehicle	Severity	Counter Measure
P1	Engine	Reduce the engine rpm at shift-up to adjust the rotation difference between drive shaft and counter shaft to be selected.									
P2	Engine	Reduce the engine rpm at shift-up to adjust the rotation difference between drive shaft and counter shaft to be selected.				Do not reduce or increase engine rpm even if the	Engine ECU bug ECU malfunction Engine Safety	Clutch may be	Unintended		

Criterion	Weight	Score		
		Adopted	TRUE	TRUE
Good efficiency at low rpm	8		3	4
Good efficiency at mid rpm	7		6	5
Good efficiency at high rpm	6		4	3
Low heat emission	8		7	8
Cost	10		5	10
Reliability	8		8	9

Requirements		Robustness	8	8	9	10	Physical means							
1st	2nd	Function		Body	Clutch	SignalGenerator	Driver	Engine	Gear1st	Gear2nd	Gear3rd	Gear4th	ShiftController	Tire
Drivability	Keeping up of creeping	Keep slowly letting in and out the clutch when the car starts slowly in the first gear		X		X		X					X	X
		Slowly engage the clutch when the rotation difference between crank shaft and drive shaft is large		X		X		X	X	X			X	X
Performance	T shifts gears to reduce fuel consumption	Shift should select an optimal gear by considering the driver's direction and the current condition of the car		X									X	X
Safety	The DCT must assure the safety					X							X	
		The DCT never selects any gear that is not safe				X								
Drivability	The DCT should shift smoothly	Incidents must not lead the control gear selection to an unsafe situation. Register control during driving condition		X										

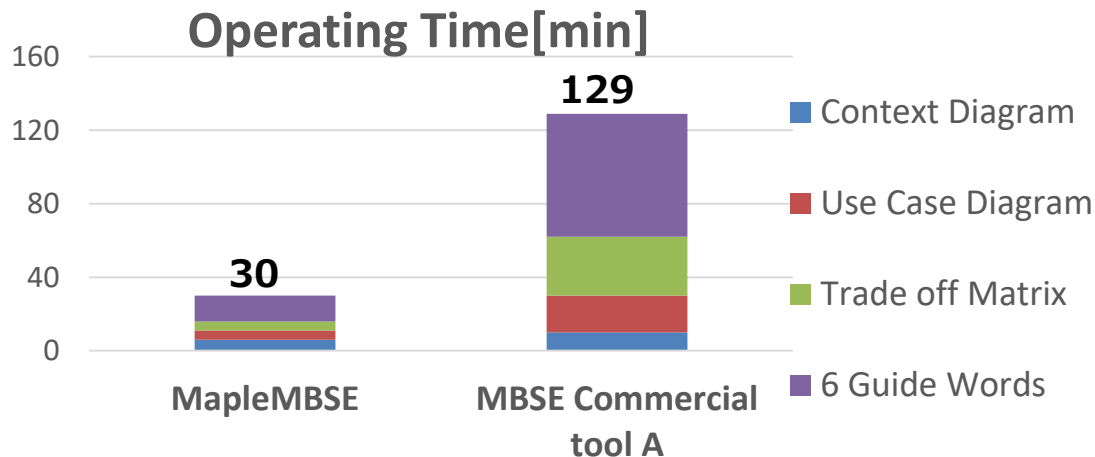


Integrated Model Management

## Case Study: Nissan — Productivity

MapleMBSE is proven to be effective for many engineers to develop the design of a vehicle system collaboratively, which leads to significant improvement in design performance for Nissan

	Context Diagram	Use Case Diagram	Trade off Matrix	6 Guide Words	Total	
MapleMBSE	6	5	5	14	30	[min]
MBSE tool A	10	20	32	67	129	[min]

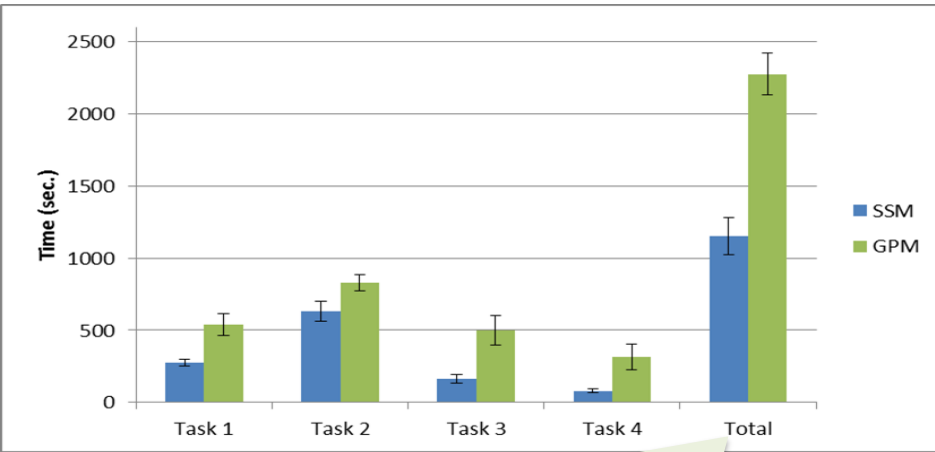




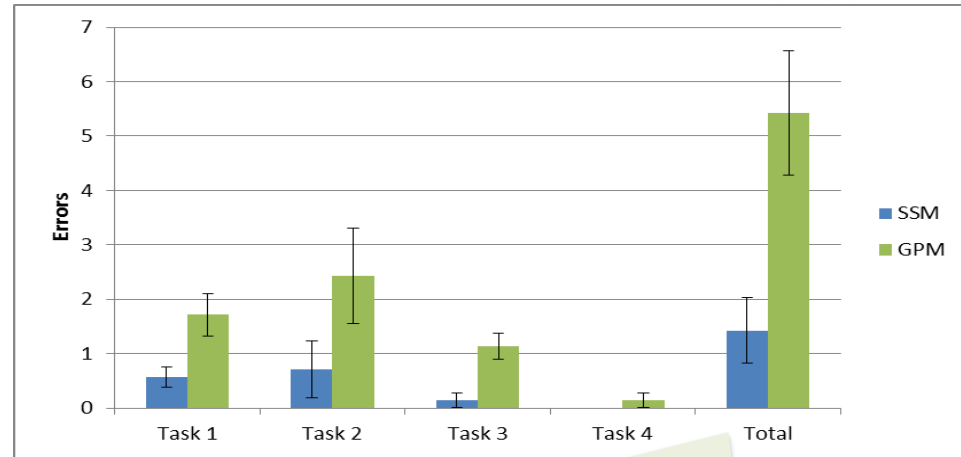
# Case Study: Nissan — Effectiveness

According to our experiments of Automotive SysML modeling, MapleMBSE greatly improves productivity across all system-design tasks

■ SSM SpreadSheet-based Modeling  
■ GPM General-Purpose-tool-based Modeling



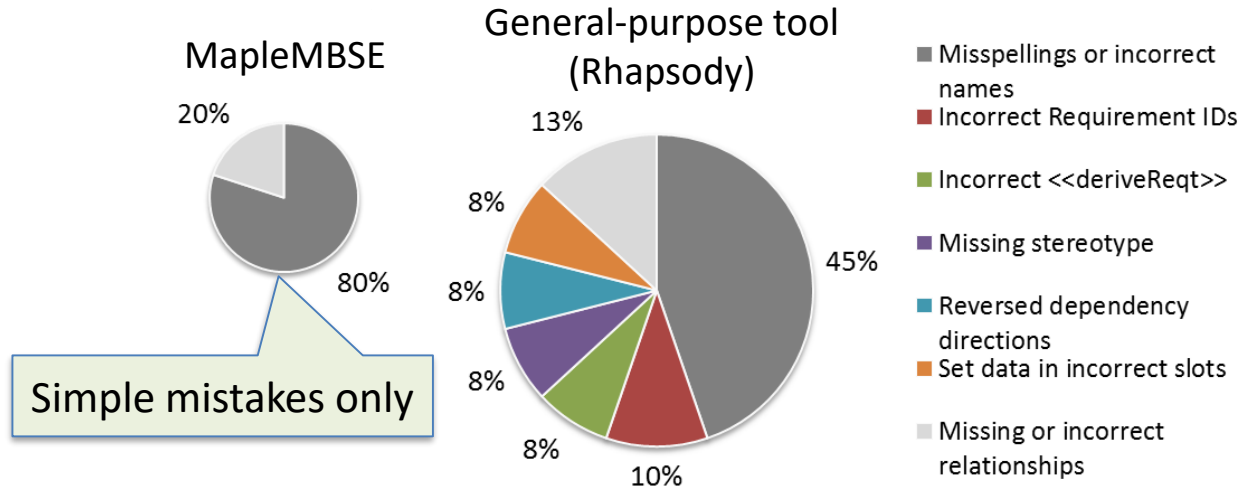
MapleMBSE almost halves the time!



MapleMBSE reduced the errors to 1/4!

# Case Study: Nissan — Error Analysis

Result suggest that typical modeling tools impose unfamiliar UI and complexities of SysML on users

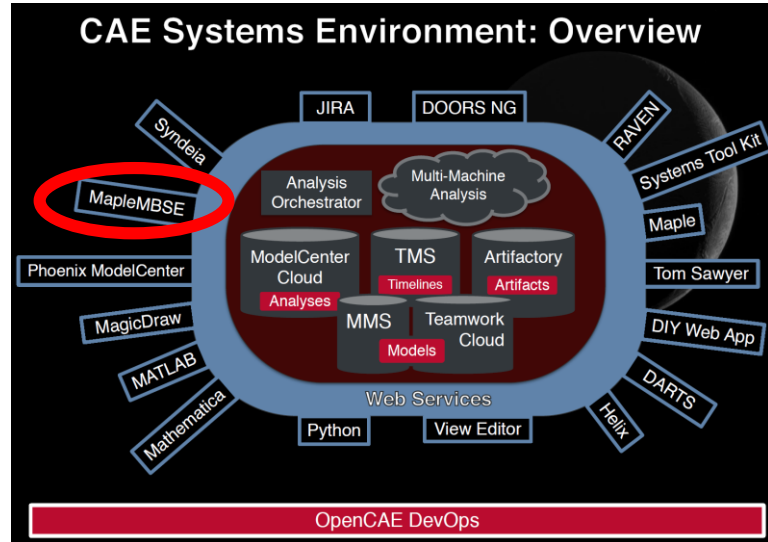


- Familiar, intuitive Excel user interface
- Spreadsheets optimized to do the tasks
- No need for deep knowledge of the modeling language (SysML)

# Case Study: NASA-JPL



## CAE Systems Environment: Overview



**“MapleMBSE is one of the key enablers for effectively viewing and editing systems models”**

- Edit components of Master equipment list with MapleMBSE
- Expose assembled structure in MapleMBSE
- Control Mass roll up using MapleMBSE
- Audit all connections in table view using MapleMBSE
- Expose powered components in MapleMBSE / Power roll up

# Summary

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- MapleMBSE provides easy-to-use Excel-based Systems Engineering modeling environment for system definition throughout the design cycle
- Offers the power to “democratize” the Systems Engineering process by allowing a broader range of stakeholders to contribute to it without learning graphical MBSE tools
- Proven to accelerate the system-definition process by simplifying the information-entry and reducing the risk of errors
- Adapted to do collaborative modifications on Product Line Engineering

# Questions ?

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