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An Overview of Modeling Guidelines for SysML v2

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Modeling guidelines are a set of rules, constraints, patterns, and heuristics used to ensure the quality, consistency, and reusability of system models. [1] In Model-Based Systems Engineering (MBSE), guidelines are critical for managing complexity, enabling collaboration, and validating system correctness. [2–6]

With the recent introduction of the SysML v2 standard, the entire practice of MBSE is evolving. SysML v2's new features - particularly its textual syntax, formal metamodel, and standardized API - [1, 3, 4, 7, 8] present a paradigm shift, moving beyond the informal “best practices” of SysML v1 [3, 4, 8, 9]. This paper will explore the current state of modeling guidelines in the new SysML v2 landscape.

This paper investigates the following question: *How does the introduction of SysML v2 fundamentally change the landscape of modeling guidelines in MBSE, particularly regarding their formalization, validation, and enforcement?* It will explore the new opportunities for precise, automated guidelines and the new challenges that arise from SysML v2's design and adoption.

- **Hypothesis 1 (Opportunity - Formalization):** SysML's formal metamodel and textual notation enable a new class of precise, verifiable guidelines that were not possible in SysML v1. [5]
- **Hypothesis 2 (Opportunity - Validation):** The v2 metamodel allows for automated semantic and syntactic consistency checking, moving guidelines from passive documents to active, verifiable parts of the model. [4]
- **Hypothesis 3 (Challenge - Complexity):** The language design of SysML v2 itself presents challenges to maintainability and portability, which complicates the development and adaptation of guideline sets. [8]

The methodology will be an exploratory literature review. The primary sources will be recent (2022-2025) academic papers from IEEE, INCOSE, and relevant journals that specifically address the implementation, validation, and methodology of SysML v2.

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