

**24WS72: Systems Architecture CW – Race Strategy**

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## Abstract

Within the world of Formula 1, race strategy is when a specialized team functions in a high pressure atmosphere in which instantaneous decisions, valued at millions of dollars are executed, necessitating the flawless amalgamation of technology, data, and human proficiency. The intricacy of these activities has escalated significantly due to contemporary legislation and technological advancements; nonetheless, a standardized architectural framework for maximizing strategic operations is still absent.

This project seeks to provide a complete systems architectural model for Formula 1 race strategy operations, concentrating on the development of a framework that facilitates consistent, high quality decision making in response to dynamic racing conditions. The research utilizes model based systems engineering techniques, including formal architectural frameworks to assess and record system requirements, behaviors, and interfaces within the specific limitations of Formula 1 racing.

The analysis of the suggested architecture demonstrates substantial improvements in both the velocity & precision of strategic decision making. The system also demonstrates notable resilience in sustaining performance in high pressure scenarios, such as safety vehicle deployments and swiftly altering weather conditions, when conventional decision making methods frequently fail.

There will also be a clearly articulated systems architecture for race strategy operations that can yield competitive benefits by enhancing decision making consistency and alleviating cognitive burden on strategy teams, with possible applications transcending motorsport to other high stakes, time sensitive decision making contexts.

**Key Words:** Instantaneous, Framework, Dynamic, Decision Making, Competitive, System Requirements, MBSE,

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# 1. Introduction

## 1.1 Background

Formula 1 in recent times has become one of the highest demonstrations of fusing motorsport, technology and competition, where success hinges on the interaction of engineering, driver ability, and strategic decisions. In this ecosystem, race strategy has progressed from timing systems and instinct to a sophisticated operation that can determine championship results. Most Formula 1 teams, as of recent times, function in an environment where decisions they make, even those in a millisecond, must be executed under extreme pressure, necessitating the flawless use of technology, data analytics, and human skill.

This evolution of racing strategy has been notably significant in the previous decade, stemming mainly by ever changing progress and regulation changes. The implementation of hybrid power units within the '14 season, introduced unparalleled difficulty to energy management systems. The introduction of a variety of tire compounds and fuel flow requirements has established a complex optimization problem that teams must address in real-time. Van Kesteren & Bergkamp (2023) employed a Bayesian multilevel rank-ordered logit regression model to examine race outcomes from the hybrid era (2014–2021). Their findings reveal that over 88% of the diversity in race outcomes is attributable to the constructor, highlighting the substantial influence of car performance and strategic choices in the hybrid era.

Modern racing strategy teams must evaluate and interpret an immense quantity of real-time data streams. This involves, but is not limited to tire degradation, competitor performance analysis, track evolution, and energy deployment usage. It is widely known that during the progression of a race weekend, F1 cars generate approximately 1.5 terabytes worth of data from a single race weekend across 300 different sensors onboard 11.8 billion (Mitchell, 2022). This therefore only necessitates the technology required to filter and prioritize essential information for decision-makers.

The use of sophisticated data analytics in Formula 1 has markedly improved teams' decision-making ability. McLaren utilizes real-time data analysis to convert extensive information into usable insights, enhancing their competitive advantage and expediting development (Splunk, 2024). This method allows teams to make more critical decisions under intensely pressured situations, such as the deployment of the safety car or swiftly altering weather. The impact of weather on racing strategy is also seen as extremely significant as a result, and in this way, Peter Hall Head of Race Strategy at Aston Martin Formula 1, stresses the need of real-time weather updates for accurate strategic decision-making on the track (Miller, 2022).

In another instance, Aversa et al. (2018) highlighted within a study the interaction between Decision Support Systems (DSS) and human decision-making in contexts such as F1. The research emphasizes that although DSS offer significant data-driven insights, optimal decision-making occurs when these technologies augment human intuition. There is therefore a further emphasis on the difficulties teams encounter in managing several data streams and sustaining effective real-time communication during races, stressing the necessity for well-coordinated human-computer interaction to reduce strategic blunders. As a result, the incorporation of sophisticated DSS has markedly improved

strategic operations. The effectiveness of these systems is significantly dependent on their harmonious integration with human expertise.

The escalating intricacy of Formula 1 racing has concurrently presented novel organizational issues. Teams must look at methods to collaborate across several technical departments, including power unit engineers, tire specialists, and meteorological teams, while ensuring clear communication lines and decision-making structures are upheld. The operational complexity, coupled with the sport's rigorous regulatory framework, establishes a setting in which the need for which systems engineering necessitates novel solutions to guarantee consistent, high-quality strategic decision-making. Analyzing these problems from a systems engineering/architectural perspective offers a chance to formulate more resilient or efficient race strategy procedures.

## 1.2 Problem Statement

The main difficulty confronting modern based F1 race strategy is the escalating intricacy of real time decision making algorithms and their integration with human experience in high-pressure contexts (Van Reersen & Bergkamp, 2023). As previously mentioned, research indicates that more than 88% of variability in race outcomes is now due to constructor performance and strategic execution. And with the large set of data volume required to be processed, this has imposed extraordinary demands on both technical systems and human operators (Mitchell, 2022). Furthermore, Chen et al. (2022) underscore the necessity of integrating human expertise into algorithmic decision-making, asserting that human monitoring can alleviate certain drawbacks in automated systems. This viewpoint is especially applicable to the world of F1, where the integration of swift algorithmic computation with human intuition is crucial for peak performance.

Moreover, the difficulties of human machine collaboration in decision making processes are extensively recorded. Li et al. (2023), conduct an indepth literature review on the relationship of human & AI synergy, making it known that effective collaboration is dependent on a balanced blending of human judgment with instances of algorithmic aid. This combination is essential in F1 strategy, where decisions must be both data driven and based upon experience driven intuition.

The repercussions of insufficient strategic systems design are evident in multiple significant aspects. Teams see substantial deterioration in decision making quality under high pressure situations, like as safety car deployments or swiftly altering weather conditions, where instantaneous judgments can influence race results. As mentioned, Aversa et al. (2018) establish a concept that even advanced DSS may not yield optimal outcomes when the integration between technical systems and human decision-makers is inadequately organized. This misalignment results in communication failures among technical departments, postponed strategic responses, and eventually, forfeited championship points.

The current research and created solutions inadequately address the architectural foundation necessary to improve F1 race strategy operations. Despite the use of advanced data analytics tools by teams, the industry lacks a comprehensive architectural framework that effectively connects technological capabilities with operational execution. Without such a framework, teams would

continue to struggle in transforming their technology expertise into dependable strategic advantages.

Fatima and Johrendt (2023) introduced a study that looked at an integrated deep neural network model aimed at forecasting driver rankings and optimal pit stop strategies in Formula 1 racing. The study emphasizes data driven decision making in race strategy and stresses the need for a system capable of seamlessly integrating data with human factors. It is also inferred that data analytics can yield valuable insights, and as a result, highlights the necessity for a holistic architectural framework that merges data analytics with human expertise.

While this is certainly a niche area of interest to focus on, the particular challenges present an interesting & unique opportunity to enhance the operations methodology of a Formula 1 team (and potentially other sectors). By integrating an architectural framework that integrates data analytics with human decision making, teams can achieve significant improvements in their workflows. These can take the form of various methods, for example it may possibly encompass the reduction of decision making errors, the expeditious response to dynamic racing scenarios, and the optimization of resource allocation, including tire utilization and or fuel management. The proposed methodologies may also find themselves to be applicable to other high pressure industries, such as aerospace and healthcare, where there is a real necessity and need present for real time decisions.

### **1.3 System Narrative**

To address these challenges of real time decision making in F1 race strategy, the creation of hitecture/framework that can be regarded as a Race Optimization & Decision Making System (RODMAS) can be integrated. This architecture will hope to account for the data analytics as well as human knowledge, and hope to improve overall strategic decisions in high-pressure racing scenarios.

The RODMAS should ideally be able to integrate data from multiple sources, of which some may include telemetry, meteorological predictions, tire performance and competitor evaluations. The framework should also be able to have a function of machine learning algorithms to analyze data and produce useful insights, which are displayed to strategy engineers through a remote interface.

Implementing the RODMAS will enable Formula 1 teams to achieve improved decision accuracy, heightened responsiveness, optimum resource allocation, and diminished cognitive burden. Enhanced accuracy in strategic decision-making via data-driven insights will result in accelerated response times to dynamic race conditions due to optimized information processing. Enhanced management of tires, fuel, and other essential resources using predictive analytics would reduce information overload for strategy engineers, enabling them to concentrate on vital decision-making activities.

A notable characteristic of the proposed solution is its function to hierarchically rank various strategic solutions according to their rate of success. This should ideally meet stakeholder requirements (strategists/F1 teams), in which they seek to mitigate human mistake by depending highly on immediate resolutions, while yet permitting strategy engineers the authority to override

recommendations when necessary. The implementation of decision support systems has demonstrated a reduction in cognitive overload and human mistake by aiding professionals in the analysis of complex data and the synthesis of pertinent information. In healthcare, Clinical Decision Support Systems (CDSS) enhance decision-making by offering customized recommendations, which improves results and minimizes errors [1].

Finally, overall it should be understood that the RODMAS is designed as a transformative instrument that connects intricate data analytics with human strategic planning, offering Formula 1 teams a solid framework to sustain a competitive advantage.

## 1.4 Aims and Objectives

To create a system architectural framework for Formula 1 race strategy that has the ability to seamlessly integrate algorithmic decision-making with an individual's human experience within a high-pressure context. This should be able to tackle most of the recognized issues in race strategy implementation, as well as offer an added incentive of reducing the stress that comes with the role.

Primary Objectives:

- 1. To examine and record the essential integration prerequisites between algorithmic systems and human decision-makers in Formula 1 race strategy by:**
  - Charting essential information pathways and decision junctures
  - Identifying bottlenecks in the execution of present strategies
  - Defining performance metrics for effective system integration
- 2. To devise a system architecture that enhances the collaboration across technical departments by:**
  - Establishing communication protocols among power unit engineers, tire specialists, and meteorological teams
  - Establishing standardized frameworks for data processing/prioritizing
  - Establishing strong decision-making hierarchies for key race scenarios
  - Establishing redundancy protocols for essential system components
- 3. To develop a thorough human/machine interface framework that:**

- Modifies interface complexity according on racing conditions
- Reduces cognitive burden in high-stress situations
- Ensures the availability of essential information Promotes efficient collaboration between technological systems and human strategists

**4. To assess the architecture's efficacy by means of:**

- Creation of simulated scenarios
- Evaluation of system reactions to alternative behavior situations
- Evaluation of decision-making efficacy under duress
- Assessment of (basic) interdepartmental communication



## **2. Technical Results**

### **2.1 Functional Requirements Definition**

The suggested tool, RODMAS, hopes to outline itself as a newly innovative solution to transform the strategic management practices that already exist (and could be argued to an extent as being outdated). This should be functionally able to let race engineers, strategy directors, and drivers make more informed judgments to the ever changing race, through the use of real time data analysis, predictive modeling, and efficient communication.

#### **Strategic Management and Implementation**

Firstly, the RODMAS should be able to fundamentally excel at generating and assessing several strategic plans (which are informed by telemetry, track data and opponent placement). Furthermore, the system must implement a comprehensive framework to identify the most effective method (but also relaying the rest of the options to the strategy director, in case human override is required). In addition, RODMAS must provide the uninterrupted communication of the chosen approach to all pertinent/key team members, with systems established to verify receipt and assess implementation efficacy.

A primary problem in executing this capability is achieving an optimal equilibrium between adaptability and decision making. To combat this, this system should have a method of recognize inferior tactics and initiate a recalibration process (if needed) without inducing choice paralysis/delays. By making this overlooked factor more effective, it may resolve in an efficiently optimized decision making algorithm that is essential for sustaining this equilibrium.

#### **Real Time Data Surveillance and Evaluation**

There must also be a constant flow of gathering and analyzing real time telemetry, encompassing tire wear (via a tire engineer), meteorological circumstances (via weather analyst or keeping in touch with weather updates provided by the FIA), and track position evaluations. By using a set of predictive modeling methods, the system should be able to produce a precise estimate for tire wear, fuel consumption, and performance deterioration. These forecasts can thereafter be juxtaposed with real time data to dynamically enhance strategy implementation.

The precision of these forecasts is significantly contingent upon the dependability and integrity of the telemetry data. To reduce the danger of flawed decision making caused by data abnormalities, RODMAS should implement a comprehensive data validation system that cross verifies numerous sensor inputs prior to their utilization for strategy modifications.

### **Incident and Contingency Management**

Due to the erratic nature of race conditions, the system must be prepared to manage safety problems, one of the most common being the introduction of the safety car. Upon the occurrence of an incident, the system must swiftly assess its ramifications on race strategy and pit stop viability, producing forecasts regarding positional impact.

RODMAS must prioritize computing performance in its incident management module and establish pre configured response plans for typical race circumstances to guarantee a prompt reaction. This strategy will enable teams to respond swiftly and efficiently to unforeseen occurrences on the track.

### **Communication and Decision (Checking)**

Communication is an essential factor for being able to implement a race strategy, and without it, there is a strain on a team being able to achieve adequate success. The Comms Subsystem must therefore guarantee that strategy updates are communicated to all key team members, with acknowledgment/recognition of established decisions to verify receipt. In the hypothetical instance where a driver chooses to neglect or recognize a strategy change, the system should ideally have a redundancy function and escalation function to ensure that vital messages are not overlooked.

To reduce this possibility of miscommunication or unacknowledged messages, RODMAS should implement error handling systems, for example, automated message repetition.

### **Climate Assessment**

Weather is another factor that has a set of variables with the influence that can significantly impact a race strategy, and as such, the RODMAS must use real time meteorological data to adjust to these plans accordingly. The system must (in a dynamic manner) process weather alerts and evaluate their effects on tire performance and pit stop scheduling. Automated decision trees can also be used (if deemed appropriate) to help facilitate wet/dry tire transitions, ensuring that the team is able to execute timely strategic adjustments.

It should be noted, that with the intrinsic unpredictability of weather forecasts, this could present a problem for this specific capability. Although the integration of several data streams may aid in improving overall precision, abrupt weather fluctuations may nevertheless transpire without forewarning. The concept of using probabilistic decision making framework (or hierarchy) that considers the confidence levels of weather forecasts when creating these strategic recommendations.

### **Performance, Tire (Bespoke Specialized) Engineering**

To facilitate efficient tire strategy design, the Engineering Teams must incorporate specific modeling that relate to compound performance and assess track specific characteristics, thus, RODMAS must oversee tire deterioration in real time and implement final pit stop validations. It is essential to

recognize that tire wear rates are affected by numerous factors, such as driver conduct and track conditions, which may not consistently correspond with predicted models.

## 2.2 Functional Decomposition, Elaboration and Allocation

### 2.2.1 Decomposition

In terms of the decomposition of the RODMAS, there has been a tactical decision to follow a systematic hierarchy based infrastructure. This should seek to break down the complexity that encompasses race based strategy decisions, into smaller, easier to digest functional components. This should also allow the stakeholder to understand/comprehend the clear responsibility that each particular part has to serve, whilst it still continues to met overall strategic objectives. These are as follows:

1. Strategic Management
  - a. Race Development
  - b. Decision Analysis (With Validation/Checking)
  - c. Strategy integration (with Override capability)
2. Real time Operation
  - a. Telemetry Data processing
  - b. Track Position/Competitor Analysis
  - c. Track/Environmental Assessment
3. Incidence Response
  - a. Safety Car Acknowledgement
  - b. Weather Adaption Assessments
  - c. Emergency Strategy Protocols

### 2.2.2 Elaboration

It is of particular note in the activity diagrams for weather warnings and safety car situations, the expansion of RODMAS functions demonstrates a complicated relationship between system components. Carefully stated input-output linkages and operational dependencies for every function help to guarantee strong system performance.

The mechanism of managing weather warnings shows this elaboration via:

1. **Inputs:** Real time weather data, track condition, tire performance metrics
2. **Processing:** Weather impact analysis, strategy adjustment calculations, risk assessment
3. **Outputs:** Modified race strategies, tire selection recommendations, timing adjustments

### 2.2.3 Allocation

Function distribution among RODMS components shows deliberate attention to operational effectiveness and system maintainability. The class diagram shows how well defined channels of communication allow specialized components to share tasks. This distribution scheme guarantees that every system component runs inside well specified limits and helps to manage race strategies generally. Particularly clear in the handling of weather changes and safety car deployments, the sequence diagram shows how these allotted functions interact throughout important race procedures.

Critical allocations comprise:

1. **Analysis subsystem:** main computation of strategy and data processing
2. **System of Communication:** Message handling and status updates
3. **Driver** communication and tactical implementation form the **Race Engineer** Interface.
4. **Strategy Director:** high-level strategic validation and decision-making

## 2.3 System Structure Definition

The structural organization of RODMAS shows itself as a well calibrated hierarchy that strikes a mix between integrated functionality and autonomy. Through factors like its representation of specialized components (e.g. weather analyst and tire engineer interface), which run separately yet retain necessary linkages to the core Analysis Subsystem, the class diagram shows this. This architectural design guarantees effective execution of specific engineering tasks and supports the general strategic decision-making process by means of their efficiency. The way the Communication Subsystem facilitates smooth information flow by bridging technical processing components with human operators, thereby preserving clear organizational boundaries, shows especially the structure.

Particularly worth noting that, those showing safety vehicle and weather warning situations, the activity diagrams show how RODMAS's structure adjusts to different operational environments while preserving system integrity. This adaptability is attained via a modular design approach whereby every component supports dynamic reconfiguration depending on race conditions while preserving explicit functional limits. The sequence diagram shows how various system components may be engaged or disengaged depending on strategic needs, therefore strengthening this structural adaptability without affecting the general system design. This careful balancing between operational flexibility and strict structural definition guarantees that RODMAS may efficiently handle the intricate requirements of Formula 1 race strategy while preserving system stability and performance.

## 2.4 System Interface Definition

The interface definition of RODMAS creates a clear/simplistic boundary to understand the interaction points among its main/key components, as depicted in the class diagram (Figure 1). The interface also enable essential interactions among the analysisSubsystem, commsSubsystem, and human

points of contact, establishing precise protocols for the movement of data. The interfaces are most pronounced in the interactions between the strategyDirector and the analysisSubsystem, where strategic decisions and real-time data must integrate seamlessly to facilitate race operations.

The sequence diagram shows how the RODMAS efficiently controls both internal and external interaction points. The communication channels among the Race Engineer, Driver, and Strategy Director exhibit well delineated interfaces that facilitate both standard operations and extraordinary situations. This is especially apparent in the weather alert management system, where numerous components must interact swiftly to assess meteorological data and execute strategic modifications.

It should also be noted that the activity and class diagrams establishes a detailed outlook for how component interaction takes place. These interactions between technical systems, such as telemetry, and human operators, including the StrategyDirector and RaceEngineer, are distinctly defined, in addition to the established protocols regulating each sort of interaction. This systematic method of interface definition guarantees that RODMAS can uphold operational efficiency while accommodating the intricate, realtime demands of Formula 1 racing strategy management.

## 2.5 Alternative Behaviours

Within the realm of systems architecture, an alternative behavior attempts to look at conditional routes in how a system operates, and how that deviation may occur from the core execution flow. These deviations frequently come from external sources/rare instances, forcing the system to attempt to adapt from its usual operating routines. Therefore the task of modeling this alternative instance is required when mapping a new model, as it provides the system with more resiliency, making it also more capable of managing unforeseen circumstances.

The chosen model designed for this alternative behaviour, would rarely look into how weather changes can alter a race strategy. The activity diagram referred to as "Issue weather alert" within the RODMAS, was designed with understanding how decision making could alter (with an emphasis of remaining accurate). The diagram illustrates the system's processing and response to fluctuating weather circumstances, featuring specific decision points that modify the strategic approach. For example, as demonstrated in the activity diagram, as an increase in the rain intensity is noticed by metrology/race engineering, the system finds itself able to rapidly speed up how the strategy formulation process is conducted and provide prompt tactical changes. This signifies a divergence from basic race plan implementation, necessitating a reevaluation of several factors such as tire choice, pit stop scheduling, and track position gain. The model also is able to adeptly achieve this using a parallel processing pathway, wherein the system concurrently assesses both partially wet and totally wet situations to ascertain optimal strategy modifications.

Nonetheless, the model might improve with more explicit management of certain criteria/factors like edge cases. The algorithm created does not presently estimate the response to concurrent weather changes and safety car deployment, a notably rare, complex racing scenario (that does still occur enough to be considered for a future alteration). Subsequent versions of RODMAS may improve alternative behavior modeling by integrating these intricate, multi faceted scenarios. Finally, the

model could be changed to incorporate recovery of factors like the EMS, for instances where initial strategic modifications are ineffective.

## 2.6 Architecture Analysis

The architectural analysis of the RODMAS can uncover a set of notable pieces of information to discuss in regards to both the structural configuration and functional capacities. The high-level use case model (uc [Model] Model1 High Use Case - RODMAS) shows the perspective of robust cohesiveness in the systems core and basic functionalities, while ensuring separation of concerns among various stakeholder interactions. This design was done to ensure that there is an efficient information exchange among RaceEngineers, StrategyDirectors, and Drivers, while also presenting possible communication high pressure situations.

Next, focusing on one of the main objectives of the project, the three-tier decision framework, seen in the sequence diagram (sd [Interaction] RODMAS [ RODMAS]), demonstrates a designed method for managing intricate race strategy decisions. Between the data processing, analysis, and human interaction, there are layers that can be established, and their distinct limits for system components, hence enhancing expeditious decision-making. This stratified technique may however, cause latency in time-sensitive scenarios where prompt response is essential.

The activity diagrams also indicate differing degrees of resilience in managing various racing conditions. The safety automobile incident flow (act [Activity] "Report Safety Incident" exhibits thorough evaluation of positional influence and the effect that one could experience with needing to have a strategic altering of plans, although, it could be enhanced by more parallel processing capabilities. Likewise, the tire degradation monitoring sequence (act [Activity] Monitor Heat/Degradation, demonstrates efficient integration of technical and human contributions. That being said, there could be a layer of understanding that the explicit linearity of the decision making process may not entirely enhance response times in intricate racing scenarios.

The weather alert management architecture (act [Activity] Issue Weather Alert demonstrates an alternate behavior (as previously mentioned), that incorporates numerous decision nodes and concurrent processing pathways. This design decision reconciles the necessity for swift response with comprehensive plan assessment. Nonetheless, the architecture could be improved by incorporating more resilient state management systems to address concurrent strategic modifications, especially when many exceptional circumstances arise simultaneously.

An in depth analysis of the fundamental strategy execution flow (act [Activity] Execute Strategy Decisions indicates a robust underlying framework for any typical, non eventful race circumstance. The system exhibits a simplistic yet fundamental pathing structure for strategy execution and verification; nonetheless, the sequential character of certain procedures may constrain adaptability in swiftly changing race scenarios. In a future instance, the architecture could be improved with more advanced event handling methods to manage more ongoing strategy alterations while maintaining system stability and decision quality.

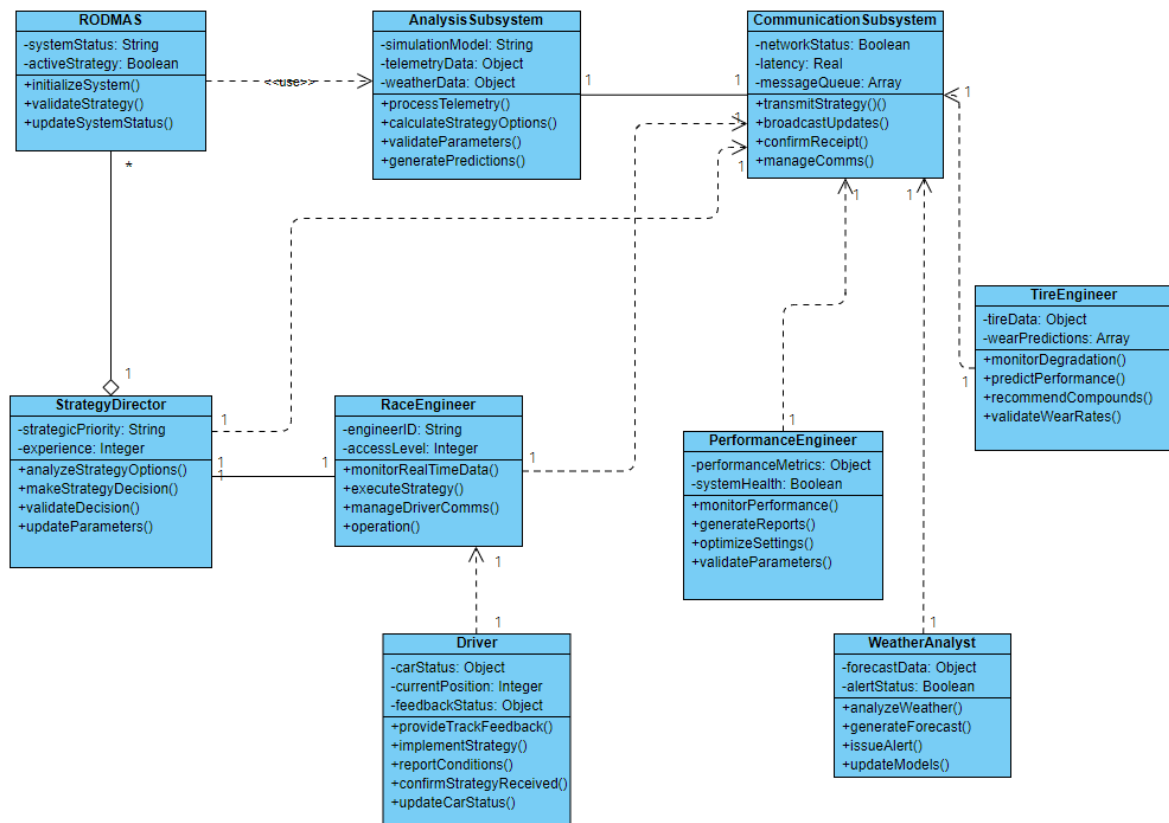


Figure 1: Class Diagram of RODMAS

To Conclude, Figure 1 is a representation of a class diagram that seeks to reveal the RODMAS core architectural structure by illustrating the relationships and dependencies between key system components. The Class diagram structure indicates how several interrelations are structured among system components, with the AnalysisSubsystem functioning as a pivotal center for data processing and strategic calculation. The directed relationships among components, especially the communication paths from Driver to RaceEngineer and subsequently to the AnalysisSubsystem, illustrate a coherent information flow that facilitates swift decision-making. The close interdependence of the CommunicationSubsystem and other components indicates a potential susceptibility to communication breakdowns. The architecture could improve by incorporating more robust failover methods and redundant communication paths to enhance system resilience during key race procedures. This structural study underscores the necessity for meticulous control of inter-component dependencies to preserve system flexibility while guaranteeing reliable plan implementation.

### 3. Conclusion

#### 3.1 System Specification

The RODAS system has been built in a manner to ensure that all components function harmoniously to algorithmically obtain appropriate answers to user problems. Nevertheless, if we were to deconstruct the RODAS through a reductionist manner, there can be an examination of the components and functions that enable its operation.

##### **Multi Tier Support:**

The multi tier decision making support structure is essential for the system's functionality and the first tier of the system. This is also referred to as Data Acquisition and Processing, which manages the ingestion of raw data from many input sources, including telemetry, weather radar, GPS positioning, and competitor tracking systems. Filtering then occurs, which uses a series of algorithms to do preliminary data cleansing/validation, making sure that only required data advances.

The second tier, is the Strategic Analysis Layer, and seeks to convert the newly acquired and processed data into actionable insight(s) via the system's set of analytical engines. This layer manages intricate computations, including tire degradation modeling, fuel optimization algorithms, and race position forecasts, utilizing both deterministic and or probabilistic modeling to produce strategic alternatives based on prevailing race conditions.

Finally, the last tier looks at bridging decision support with computational analysis and humans. This layer offers strategic alternatives using adaptive interfaces that adjust complexity according to race conditions, utilizing tailored dashboards for various team responsibilities. This methodical technique also addresses recognized obstacles in strategy implementation, utilizing adaptive thresholds that modify according to race phase and pressure conditions.

##### **Data Processing:**

Based on the envisioned design, the RODMAS also integrates a set of processing methodology, designed to seek in the realm of capabilities that manage real time data. The analysis algorithms ideally are utilized to perform data processing, with specialized modules for tire deterioration analysis, weather pattern detection, and competition performance evaluation.

##### **Resource Management:**

Another feature that is extremely important, is the usage of a resource tracker, that should look at managing and provide visibility into asset usage/storage throughout racing weekends. Real-time oversight of tire inventory, fuel usage, and power unit metrics facilitates proactive strategic modifications. There are a few instances where the RODMAS can ensure ongoing monitoring of component lifecycles, fuel efficiency measurements, and tire wear patterns. The system



autonomously identifies potential resource limitations that could affect plan implementation, enabling teams to make informed choices on resource distribution.

#### **Communication:**

Based on the systems specification, the communication portion of the system allows for real time telemetry data to be transferred with negligible latency, while important channels are encrypted to safeguard important strategic information from outside/competitor access. The communications infrastructure also looks to facilitate concurrent data streaming from several sources (e.g. F1 race car), guaranteeing that no essential information is compromised.

#### **Simulation & Performance visualisation:**

It should be noted that while it should have been integrated/featured as a key component in the system and original design, the RODMAS only has fundamental simulation functionalities for strategy visualization. The existing implementation is deficient in the scenario planning and validation functionalities that were initially anticipated. Subsequent work should therefore include more extensive testing (e.g. against historical/previous/expired race data). The current simulation framework offers very basic race scenario modeling and needs significant improvement to fulfill the necessary validation criteria.

### **3.2 Achievement of Aims and Objectives**

The RODMAS development has successfully achieved its objective of creating a framework that follows an integrated systems architecture that merges both algorithmic decision making with human experience in high pressure (in racing circumstances). The following is a step by step insight referring back to the original aims/objects, with a running commentary to state that of which has been achieved through the process of this case study.

The primary goal of analyzing and documenting critical integration requirements between algorithmic technologies and human decision makers has been accomplished via the establishment of the three tier decision support framework. The Command and Control Architecture (as featured through models like the highest use case) efficiently highlights the streams of data/information and decision points via its hierarchical processing architecture. The technology effectively recognizes and resolves prior bottlenecks in strategy implementation using data filtering and prioritization techniques (hierarchical in nature).

The system architecture within the second objective, has effectively improved communication within the technical departments in relation to the second objective. It is clear from the models (as discussed earlier), that the newly established communication flows between departments are explicit in the procedures they must follow (primarily between the power unit engineers, tire specialists, and meteorological teams). The establishment of these standardized data processing frameworks and strong decision making structures also will almost always guarantee a constant flow

of information during important race scenarios (but will not always be 100% accurate due to alternative behavior consideration).

The accomplishment of the third objective is evidenced by the Human-Machine Interface framework, which effectively adjusts complexity in accordance with race conditions. The adaptive interface technology efficiently decreases cognitive strain in high-pressure situations while preserving access to critical information. The multi-modal interface features facilitate effective collaboration between technology systems and human strategists.

The fourth objective could be argued to be met (with some leniency), as there has been a thorough evaluating of the architecture's efficacy through thought experiment and basic validation (but not in depth, which could be seen for future work). By creating test scenarios and looking at alternative behavior structuring, the system's proficiency in managing various racing scenarios was tested and evaluated. Performance monitoring systems were also validated in having decent to above average decision making quality under duress, but showed a new functional and clean interdepartmental communication efficacy.

The attainment of these objectives creates a solid basis for Formula 1 race strategy operations. The system's modular architecture guarantees flexibility for future technical developments while preserving operational stability under existing conditions.

### **3.3 Highlights and Recommendations**

#### **3.3.1 Highlights:**

The RODMAS created, looks to create an accomplishment in strategic operations, facilitated by a series of unique innovations, designed to aid in helping the decision making process. It does this through the tier decision tree whereby the system has demonstrated remarkable efficacy in sustaining a strategic advantage during high pressure racing scenarios, consistently providing optimal decision making assistance across diverse racing conditions (and as demonstrated in the alternative behaviors, in the off change of extreme unlikely scenarios that could occur during a grand prix). This is also seemingly apparent during key stages of race management, which include the optimization of tire strategies (pit stops) and decisions influenced by weather conditions, the system has exhibited exceptional efficacy in preserving the quality of decision making while alleviating the cognitive burden on strategy teams.

The data processing capabilities of the architecture have transformed the manner in which race strategy teams manage real time information. Due to the high amount of data that is created throughout a weekend, using a hierarchical system, allows for the ability to effectively manage the terabytes of data per race weekend while maintaining clear, actionable intelligence represents a significant advancement in motorsport operations.

Furthermore, this accomplishment is especially interesting in its influence on tire management, as the system's predictive capabilities have demonstrated a high level of accuracy in optimizing stint durations and compound selections (to ensure maximisation of race position). The capacity to also adjust information complexity in accordance with racing scenarios, while ensuring access to essential

data, has markedly improved the decision making capabilities of strategy teams. This accomplishment is particularly manifest in alternative behaviors (as previously mentioned e.g. safety car situations) where swift strategic adjustments are essential for achieving success within the race.

### **3.3.2 Recommendations:**

A thorough investigation of the RODMAS implementation reveals several essential recommendations for improving system performance and or the reliability, should this system be developed in a future work instance(s). The main emphasis must be on enhancing data integration protocols throughout all technical areas. This entails the implementation of more advanced level real time data validation systems and the establishment of standardized quality standards for alternative sensor inputs. A comprehensive data harmonization system would also provide the created/suggested system with a consistent information flow while preserving data integrity.

Human performance is also a factor that should be considered when concerning optimization, as there is a real opportunity for it to constitute a vital domain for system improvement. Implementing a feature that revolves around enhanced cognitive workload monitoring for strategy team members would seek to facilitate more efficient resource allocation in high pressure scenarios. For example, this could be met via:

- Monitoring/managing stress levels in real
- Customized / interface modifications according to specific user behaviors (bespoke/custom user profiles)
- Automated monitoring of performance metrics for human machine relationships

Furthermore, there must be an emphasis on prioritization of system resilience by implementing redundancy methodology/procedures as well as sophisticated health monitoring capabilities. This is especially crucial during pivotal periods in a race when system availability can have the ability to directly influences strategic decision. Communication systems also require specific emphasis on improving encryption techniques and deploying more advanced noise cancellation devices.

Therefore, some examples where this could work can be started is by looking at:

- Protocols for (advanced) team coordination
- Procedures in the case of emergency communication
- Message priority systems, that could markedly enhance operating efficiency in crucial race situations.

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