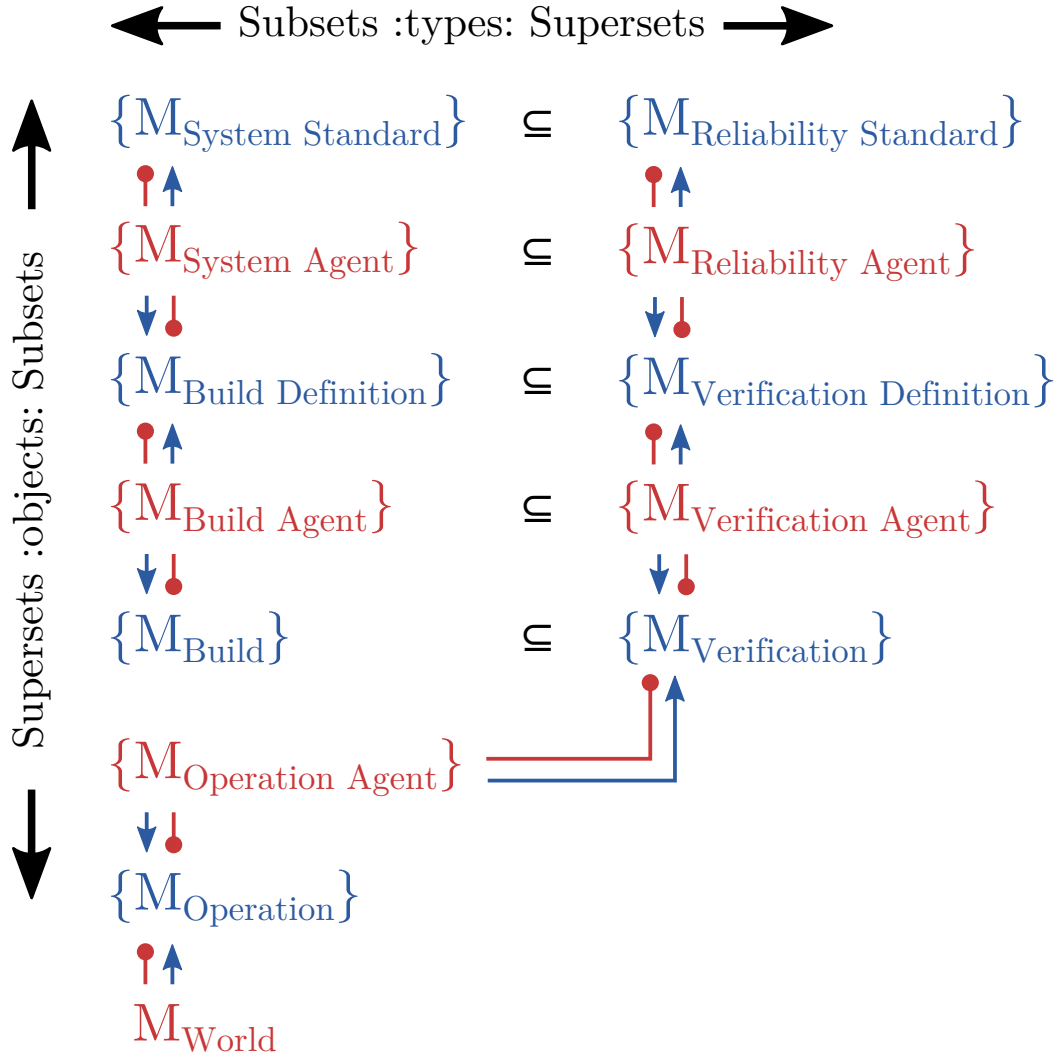


# STRANGE LOOPS: A THEORY OF MODEL RELATIONSHIPS AND TRANSFORMS



**M:** A model object: models are structured information and include model functions.

**S:** Current functional state of a model, serves as a go/nogo gate for downstream functions depending on the model.

**M:** A source model object: sources are releasable. A release is a static configuration of the object.

**M:** An autonomous agent: capable of interpreting and creating other model objects.

$M_a \text{ -- } M_b \rightarrow (S_b, M_b)'$   
 An agent review function: The agent  $M_b$  reviews the contents of source  $M_a$ , internalizing its contents, thereby updating the agent mode. The state of the review process is given by  $S_b'$

$\{M_a\} \rightarrow M_b \rightarrow \{(S_a, M_a)'\}$   
 An agent execution function: The agent  $M_b$  uses its internal state to update the sets of models  $M_a$ . The state of each update is given by each  $S_a'$

$M_{\text{Definition}} \text{ -- } M_{\text{Agent}} \text{ -- } M_{\text{Build}} \text{ -- } M_{\text{World}}$

A strange loop: An agent uses a definition model to produce a build, the build is executed, which updates the build model and produces a build state. The agent uses the build state and updated model to reassess and update the definition model. The process may repeat an arbitrary number of iterations.