

Ethical Control of Unmanned Systems

Repeatable Mission Evaluation through Unmanned Systems Data Strategy

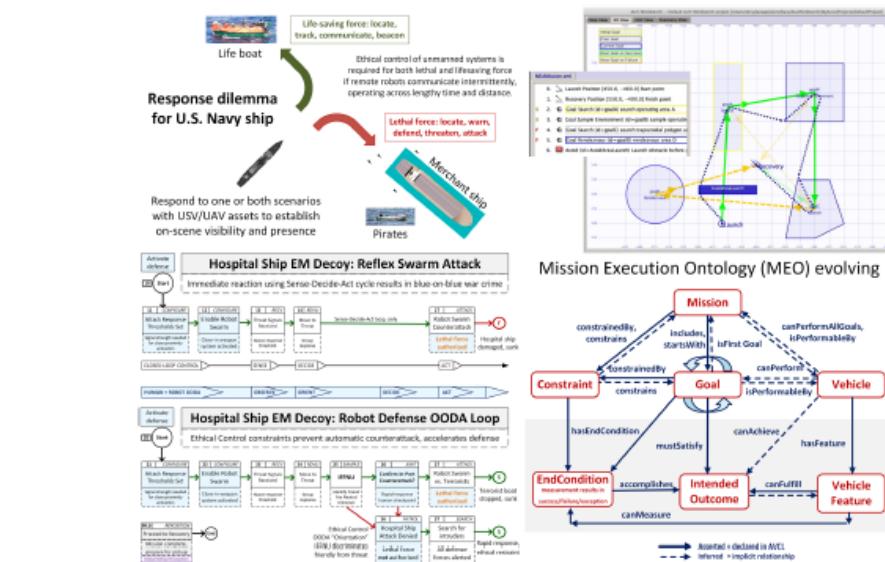
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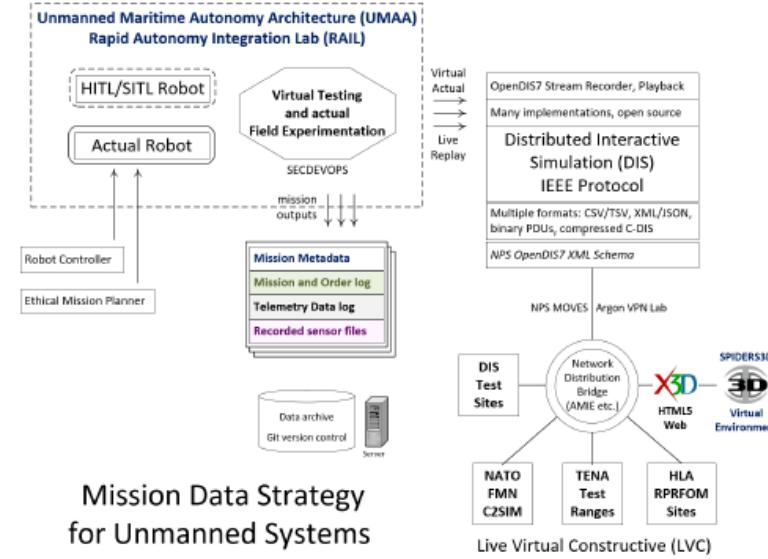
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Why / Objectives

- Ethical control of unmanned systems can be accomplished through structured mission definitions that are trusted, consistently readable, validatable, repeatable and understandable by humans and robots.
- Orders must be lawful. Unmanned systems must behave ethically and comprehensibly if they are to support manned military units effectively.
- Well-structured mission orders can be tested and trusted to give human commanders confidence that offboard systems *will do what they are told to do*, and further *will not do what they are forbidden to do*.
- Demonstrate that no technological limitations exist that prevent applying the same kind of ethical constraints on robots and unmanned vehicles that already apply to humans, in lethal and life-saving scenarios.

<https://savage.nps.edu/EthicalControl>



Mission Data Strategy
for Unmanned Systems

What / Deliverables

- Unmanned Systems Data Strategy is fundamental need for progress, otherwise all experiments (real or virtual) are unrepeatable, transient.
- Mission orders, metadata, track telemetry and sensor records together provide repeatable archiving of robot system testing for live-virtual-constructive (LVC) reuse, for replay live or rehearsal analysis.
- Update Mission Execution Ontology (MEO) concepts demonstrated in tests and simulation, building to perform field experimentation (FX).
- Define, simulate, and test combination of real-world goals and ethical constraints to robot mission tasking across set of canonical scenarios.
- Illustrate how human-robot teams meet moral and legal requirements if deploying unmanned systems with potential for lethal, life-saving force.



Building on Simulation, Experimentation

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Team Members and Focus-Area Presentations

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- Data modeling and formal ontology development
- Mission Execution Ontology (MEO) and C2SIM standard with NATO

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- Legal and ethical policies, ramifications

Terry Norbraten

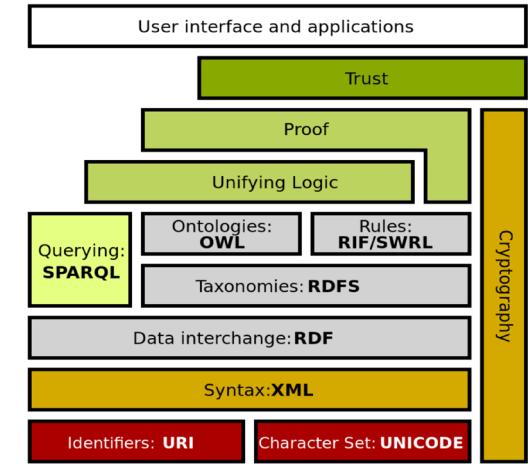
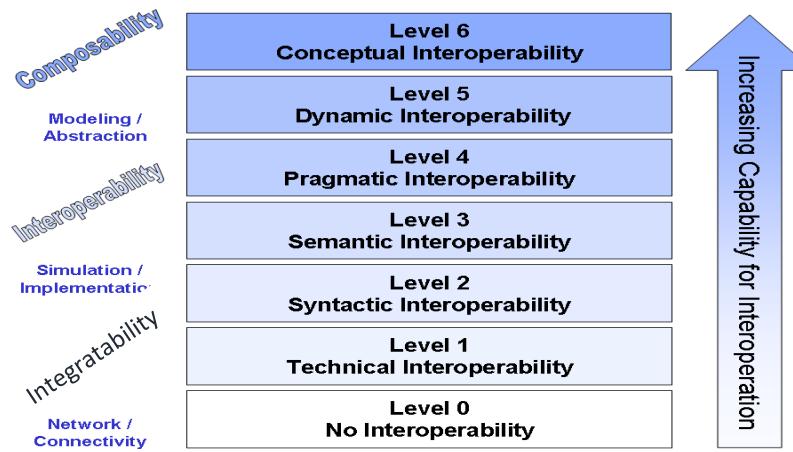
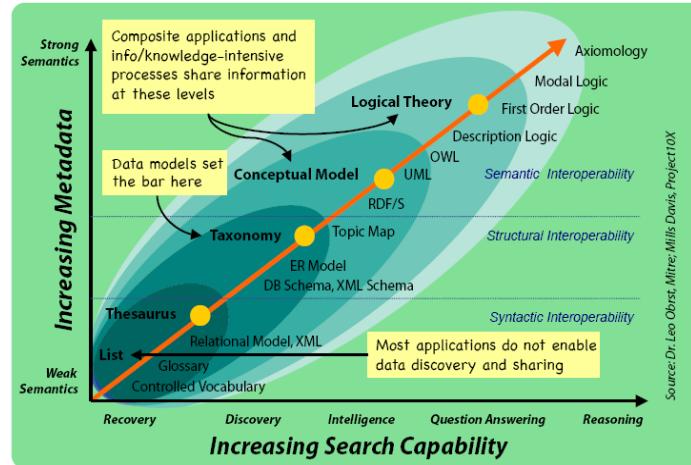
- Software design, development, and testing
- Data conversion using Data Format Description Language (DFDL)

Don Brutzman, PI

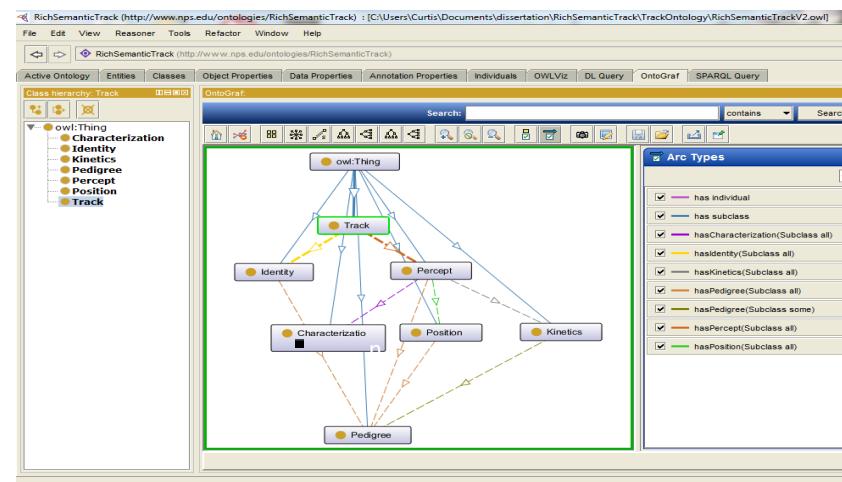
- Ethically constrained control of unmanned systems and robot missions by human supervisors and warfighters
- Unmanned systems data strategy and LVC interoperability architecture

Curtis Blais, Co-PI

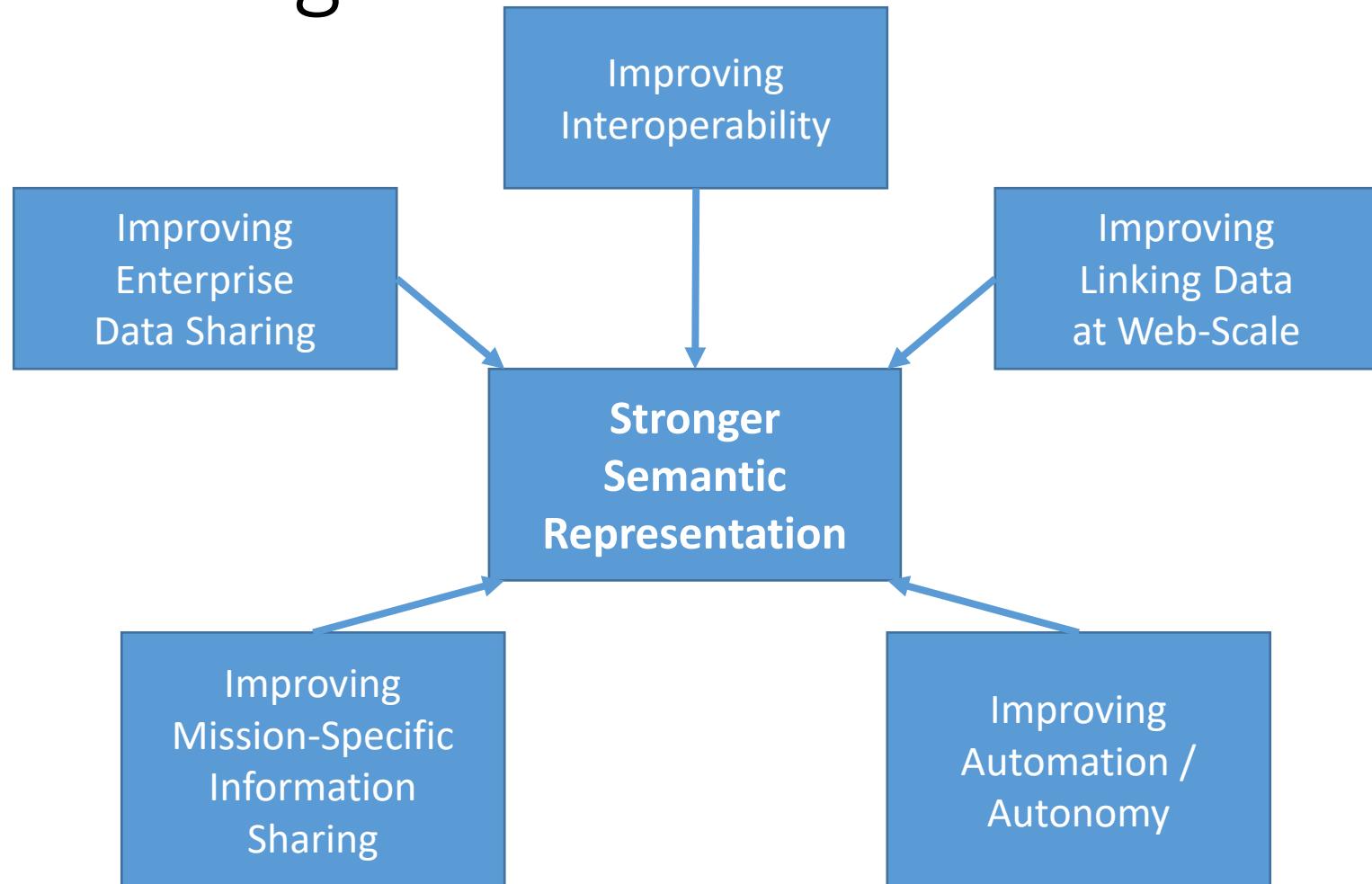
Data Modeling and Formal Ontology Development



Mission Execution Ontology (MEO) 3.0



Motivation: Need for Stronger Semantics in Data Modeling

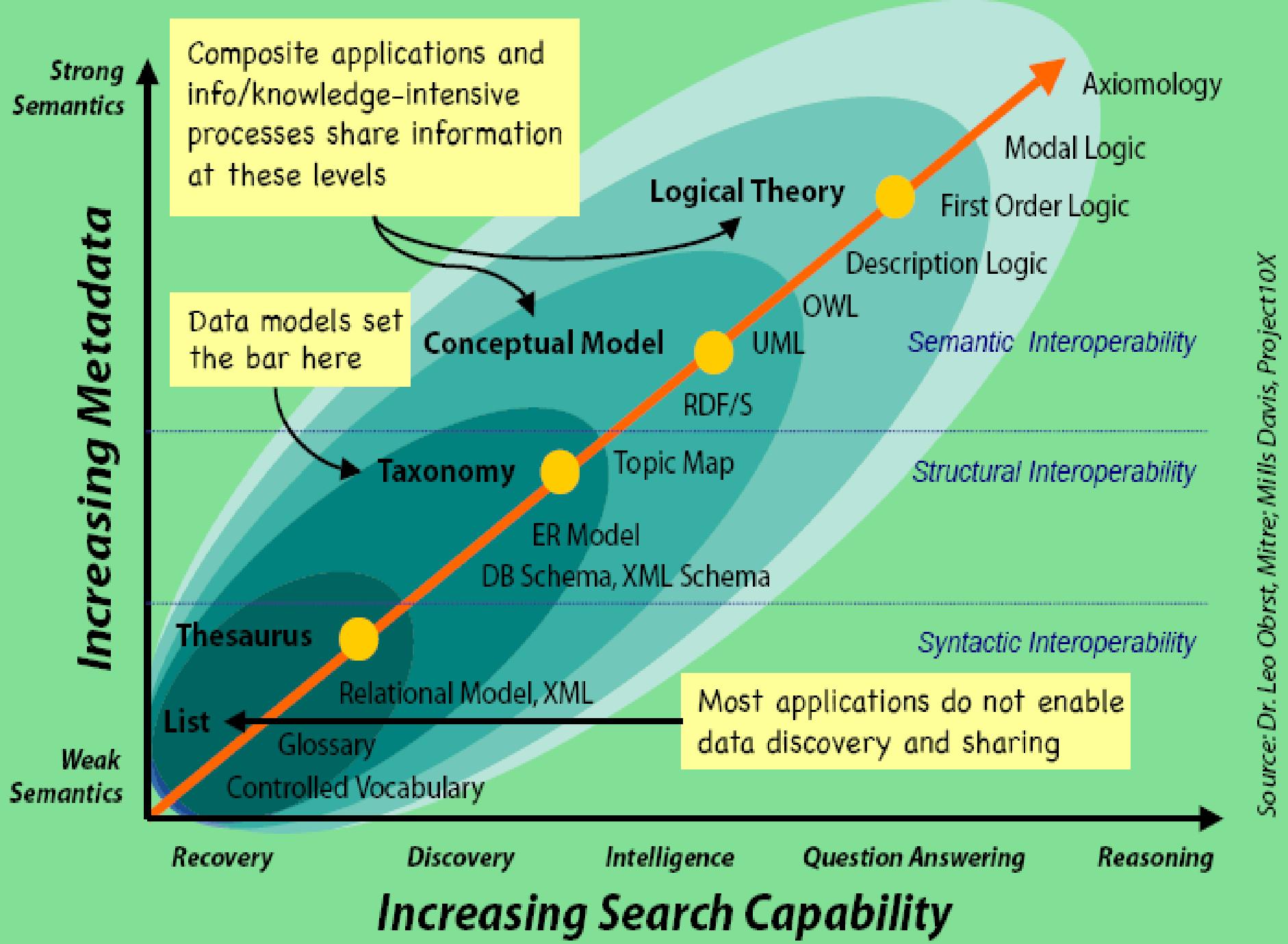


Improving Semantic Representation

- Knowledge Representation (KR) is an area of artificial intelligence (AI) research and practice focused on encoding meaning into data.
- Academia and industry now have a detailed path toward higher levels of machine understanding corresponding to human understanding.
- Refer to the Ontology Spectrum on the next slide (source: Obrst, Leo, and Mills Davis. 2006. *SICoP White Paper Series Module 2: Semantic Wave 2006 - Executive Guide to the Business Value of Semantic Technologies*, Project 10X, May 2015).

Acronyms: Database (DB) ; Extensible Markup Language (XML); Resource Description Language / Schema (RDF/S); Unified Modeling Language (UML); Web Ontology Language (OWL)

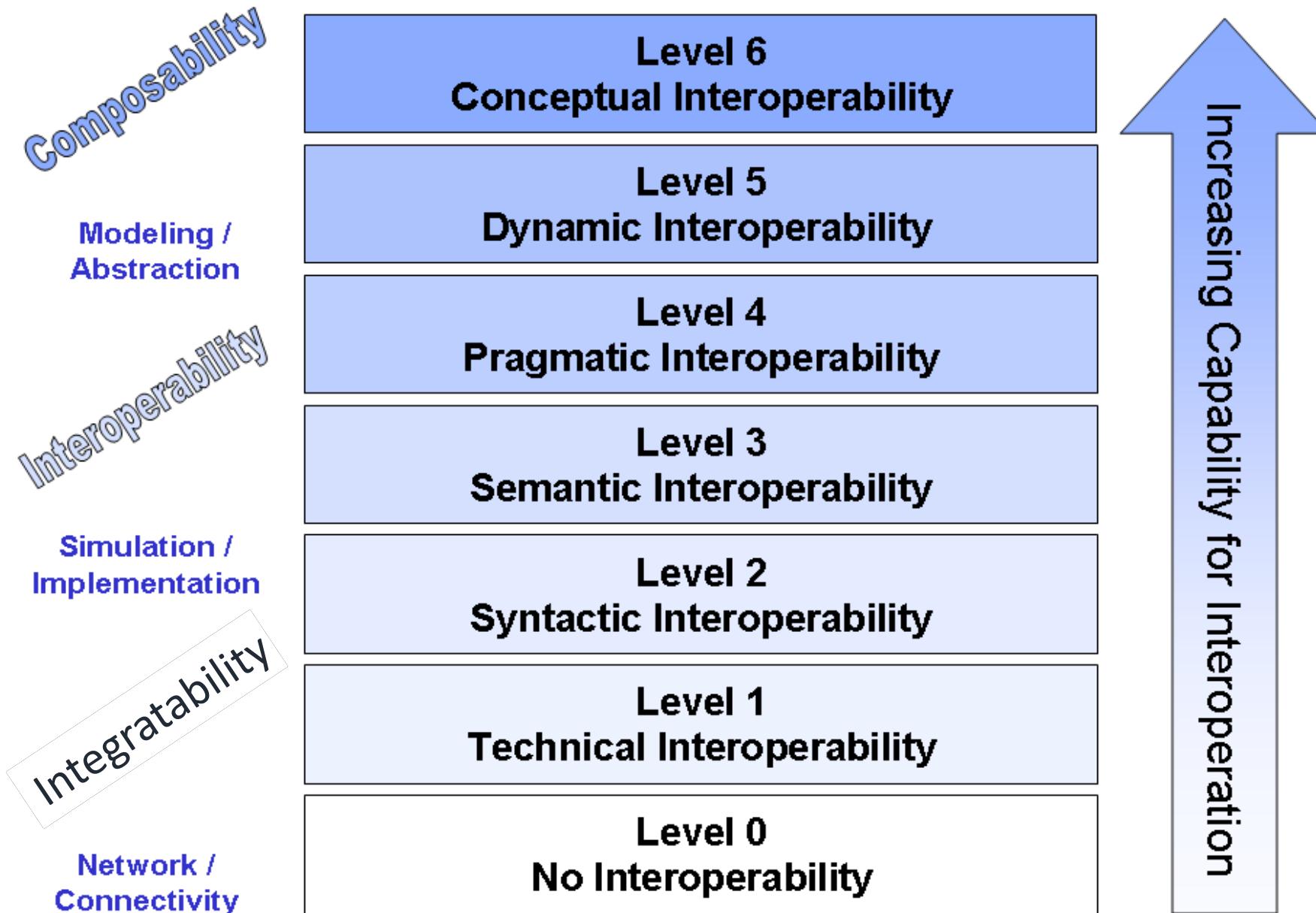
Improving Semantic Representation



Improving Interoperability

- Interoperability: “the capability of a system to automatically, without human intervention, provide services to and accept services from other systems, and to use the services so exchanged to enable the systems to work together to achieve a desired outcome” (Blais and Lacy 2004).
- Academia and industry have laid out a path toward higher levels of interoperability: refer to the Levels of Conceptual Interoperability Model (LCIM) on the next slide (source: Tolk, Andreas, Saikou Y. Diallo, Charles D. Turnitsa, and Leslie S. Winters. 2006. “Composable M&S Web Services for Net-centric Applications.” *Journal for Defense Modeling & Simulation (JDMS)*, 3:1:27-44. January.).
- Objective is to achieve conceptual and pragmatic interoperability.

Improving Interoperability: Levels of Conceptual Interoperability Model



Semantic Web: Knowledge Representation at Web Scale

- Architects of the World Wide Web have laid out a layered set of standards to achieve the Semantic Web vision: “not a separate Web but an extension of the current one, in which information is given well-defined meaning, better enabling computers and people to work in cooperation” (Berners-Lee et al. 2001)
- Ultimate goal: achieve a ***scalable trusted information infrastructure*** where humans and software interact meaningfully, in a repeatable environment where expectations of quality and integrity are met.
- Scalable approach indicates that single (ship + robot) solutions have potential to grow and encompass many simultaneous systems, thus improved data sharing, mission deconfliction, coordinated operations

Semantic Web Stack

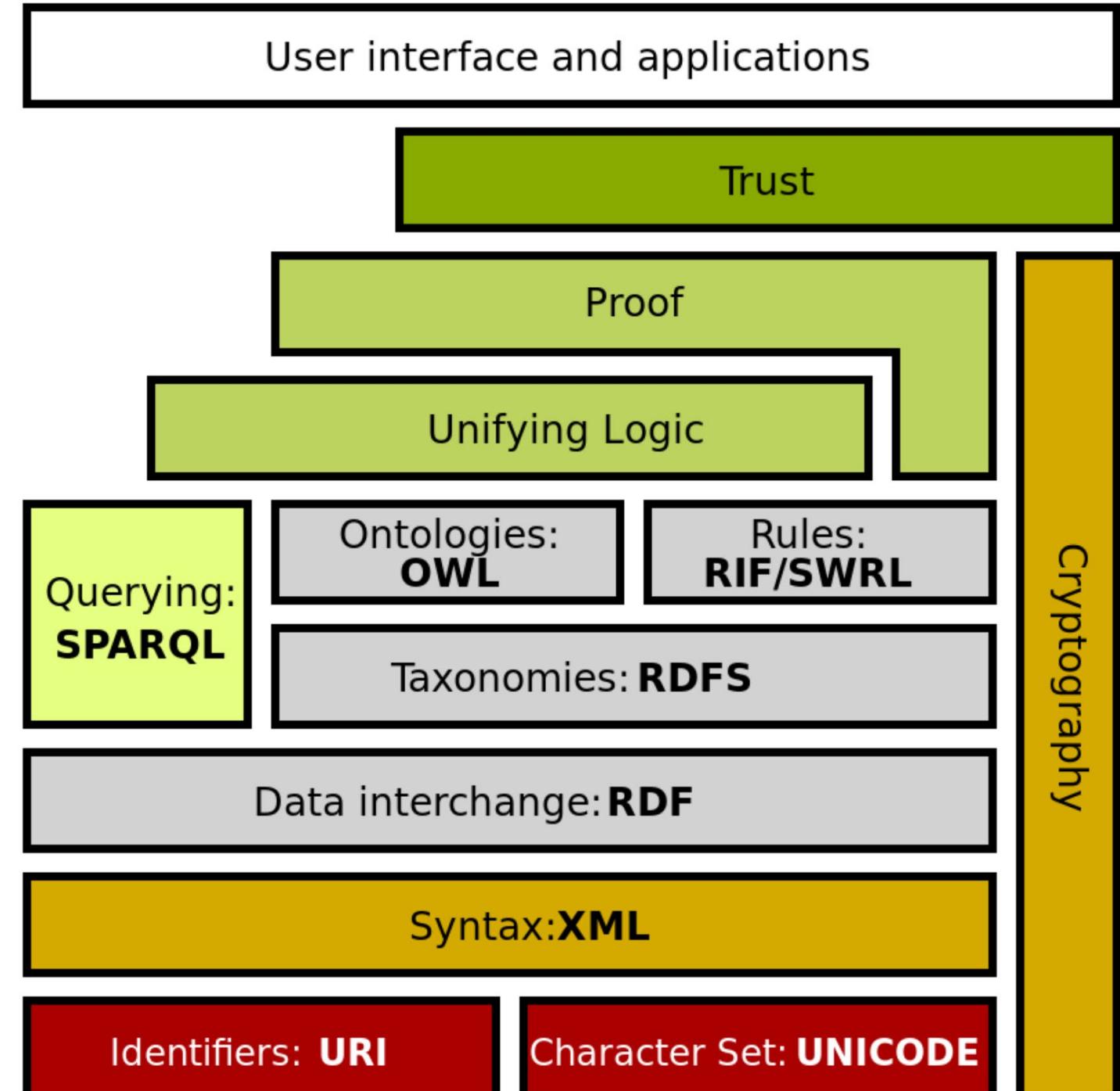
Extends larger Web architecture

- All of these data languages are approved W3C standards
- Proof and unifying logic are mathematically well defined

Trusting derived (composed) statements arises from

- Encryption + digital signature confirms trusted data sources
- Formal logic is basis for deriving new information
- Wikipedia: [Semantic Web Stack](#)

Of note: this project is exercising every layer of Semantic Web stack.



Autonomous Vehicle Command Language (AVCL)

- AVCL is a command and control language for humans supervising autonomous unmanned vehicles.
 - Clarity arises from close correspondence to human naval terminology.
- Structured vocabulary defining terms and relationships for mission planning, execution, conduct, recording and replay across diverse robot types.
- Common-ground XML representations for
 - Mission agenda plans, mission scripts, and post-mission recorded telemetry results.
 - ***Future work:*** defining unit tests and expected results for verification and validation.
- Operators have single archivable, validatable format for robot tasking, results
 - directly convertible to and from a wide variety of different robot command languages.

Mission
Tasking

<https://savage.nps.edu/Savage/AuvWorkbench/AVCL/AVCL.html>

AVCL mission goals vocabulary ([Davis 2015](#))

AVCL mission goals	Define	Used	Definition
Attack	partial	✓	To conduct a type of offensive action characterized by employment of firepower and maneuver to close with and destroy an enemy.
Decontaminate	✓		To provide purification making an area safe by absorbing, destroying, neutralizing, making harmless, or removing chemical, biological, or nuclear contamination.
Demolish	✓		To destroy structures, facilities, or material by any available means.
IlluminateArea	✓		To provide locale lighting by searchlight or pyrotechnics.
Jam	✓		To deliberately radiate, re-radiate or reflect electromagnetic energy with the object of impairing the use of electronic devices or systems.
MarkTarget	✓	✓	To make visible (by the use of light, infrared, laser, smoke, etc.) of an object in order to allow its identification by another object.
MonitorTransmissions	✓	✓	To conduct electronic warfare support operations with a view to searching, locating, recording and analyzing radiated electromagnetic energy.
Patrol	✓	✓	To gather information or carry out a security mission.
Rendezvous	✓	Partial	Achieve a meeting at a specified time and place.
Reposition	✓	✓	To change position from one location to another.
SampleEnvironment	Partial	✓	Collect environmental samples for testing for chemical compounds, biological creatures, or nuclear hazards.
Search	✓	✓	To look for lost or unlocated objects or persons.

[More
Goal Types
Foreseen](#)

Example AVCL mission agenda, as pseudo-code XML

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<UUVMission>
  <GoalSet>
    <Goal area="A" id="goal1">
      <Search nextOnSuccess="goal2" nextOnFailure="goal3"/>
    </Goal>
    <Goal area="A" id="goal2">
      <SampleEnvironment nextOnSuccess="goal3"
        nextOnFailure="recover"/>
    </Goal>
    <Goal area="B" id="goal3">
      <Search nextOnSuccess="goal4" nextOnFailure="goal4"/>
    </Goal>
    <Goal area="C" id="goal4">
      <Rendezvous nextOnSuccess="recover" nextOnFailure="recover"/>
    </Goal>
    <Goal area="recoveryPosition" id="recover">
      <Transit nextOnSuccess="missionComplete"
        nextOnFailure="missionAbort"/>
    </Goal>
  </GoalSet>
</UUVMission>
```

AVCL is readable by human or robot,
captures logic of mission tasking

XML ensures syntactically correct,
well-defined, numerically valid

Needed: semantic representation
to check ethical, logical consistency

Motivating insights: converting data into logic

"The answer to your question is the response to the query."

- Jim Hendler and Dean Allemang
- Meaningfulness of an answer matches the precise meaning of a question.

"Trying to use the Semantic Web without SPARQL is like trying to use a relational database without SQL."

- Tim Berners-Lee
- Language representations are needed for query as well as for information.

"The proof of the pudding is in the eating."

- Wiktionary
- Confidence in results requires testing.

Mission Execution Ontology (MEO) Development

- ✓ Define [MEO](#) from concepts, properties, relationships using [Protégé](#) tool.
- ✓ Create full set of [canonical missions](#) in AVCL (XML).
- ✓ Determine exemplar mappings for AVCL primitives to Turtle for RDF/OWL.
- ✓ Write conversion stylesheet [AvclToMEO.xslt](#) for full expressiveness.
- ✓ Convert all AVCL missions to corresponding triples.
- ✓ Confirm AVCL MEO, missions validate satisfactorily using Protégé, ARQ.
- ✓ Automate [build process](#) as suite of repeatable unit-test queries ([log](#)).
- ✓ SPARQL queries to test AVCL mission representations in Turtle.
- ✓ Write SPARQL metaqueries to test, document MEO ontology relationships.
- ✓ Continuing work: Adding Shapes Constraint Language (SHACL) statements for mission validation.
- ✓ Continuing work: Ontology linking (mission specification, mission data stream, ethics, policies, provenance) for query and automated reasoning.

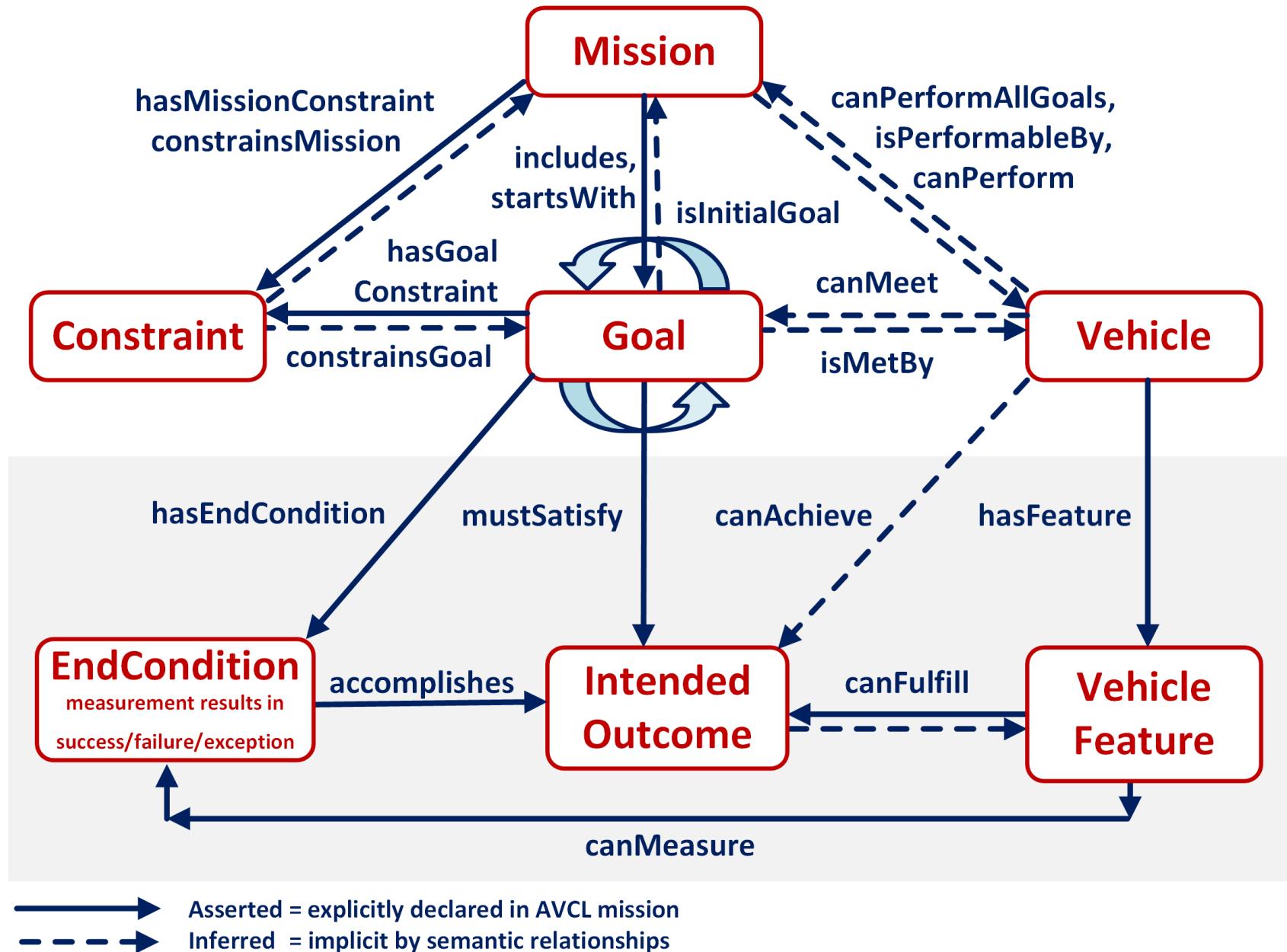
Description Logic (DL) Rules provide basis for Mission Execution Ontology (MEO)

Rules	Description Logic Equations	Plain-language description
M = Mission Rules		
M1	$\text{Mission} \sqsubseteq \forall \text{startsWith}.\text{Goal} \sqcap =1\text{startsWith}.\text{Goal}$	A Mission can only start with a Goal and must start with exactly one Goal
M2	$\text{Mission} \sqsubseteq \forall \text{includes}.\text{Goal} \sqcap \geq 1\text{includes}.\text{Goal}$	A Mission can only include Goals and must include one or more Goals
M3	$\text{Mission} \sqsubseteq \forall \text{hasConstraint}.\text{Constraint}$	A Mission can only be constrained by Constraints
M4	$\text{startsWith} \sqsubseteq \text{includes}$	A Mission must include the Goal that it starts with
M5	$\text{Mission} \sqsubseteq \forall \text{performableBy}.\text{Vehicle}$	A Mission can only be performed by a Vehicle
M6	Cannot be expressed in DL	A Mission cannot be performable by a Vehicle unless that Vehicle has the ability to identify all Constraints associated with that mission
M7	Cannot be expressed in DL	A Mission cannot be performable by a Vehicle unless that Vehicle has the capability to accomplish all Goals included in that Mission

Excerpted from full
[Mission Execution Ontology](#)
[Decision Logic Tables](#)

Original author: Duane Davis
Model updated by Curtis Blais in collaboration with Raytheon engineers through NPS-Raytheon CRADA

Mission Execution Ontology (MEO) 3.0





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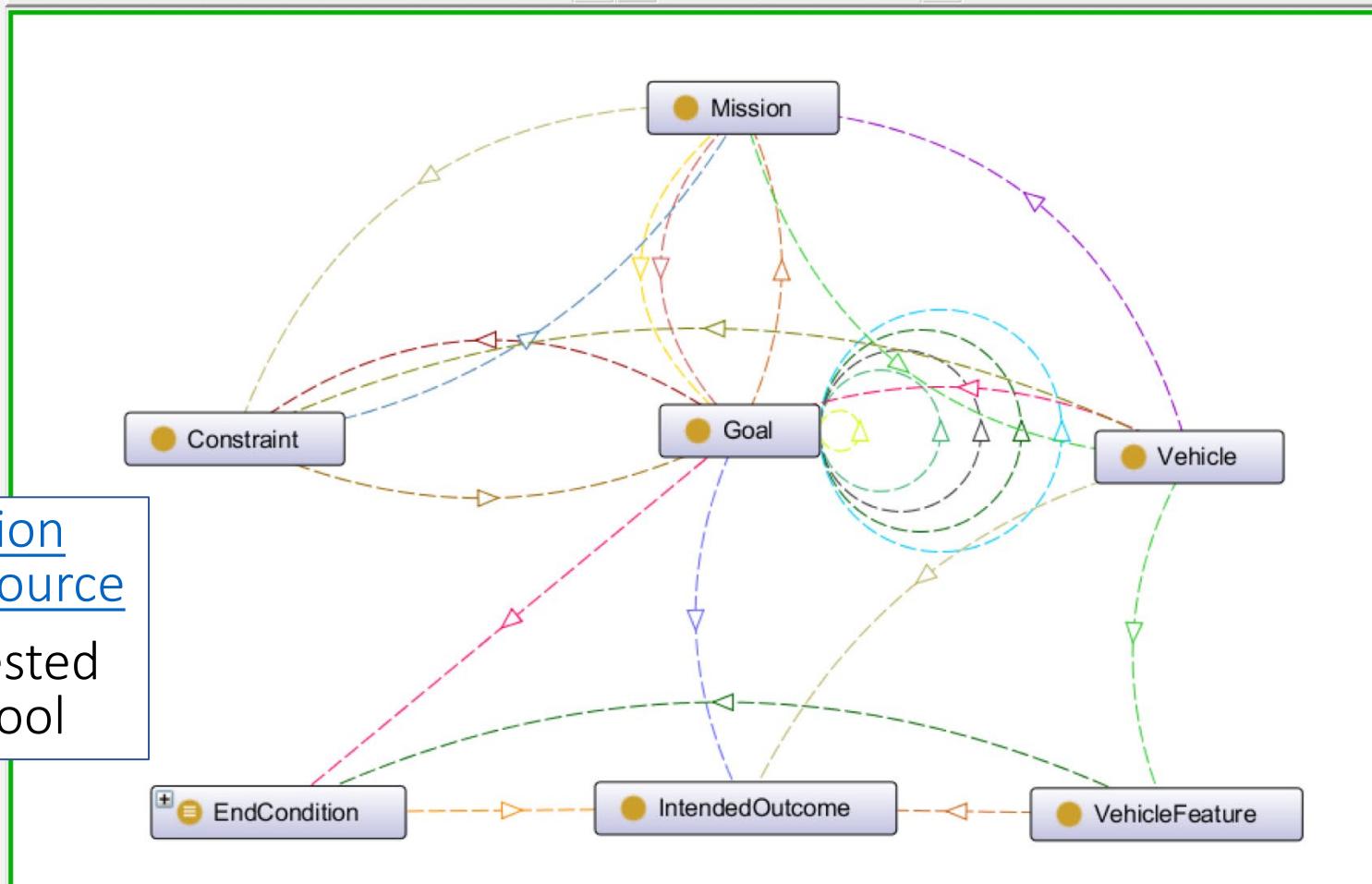
- Constraint
- EndCondition
- EXCEPTION
- FAILURE
- SUCCESS
- Goal
- IntendedOutcome
- Mission
- Vehicle
- VehicleFeature

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Mission Execution
Ontology (MEO) source

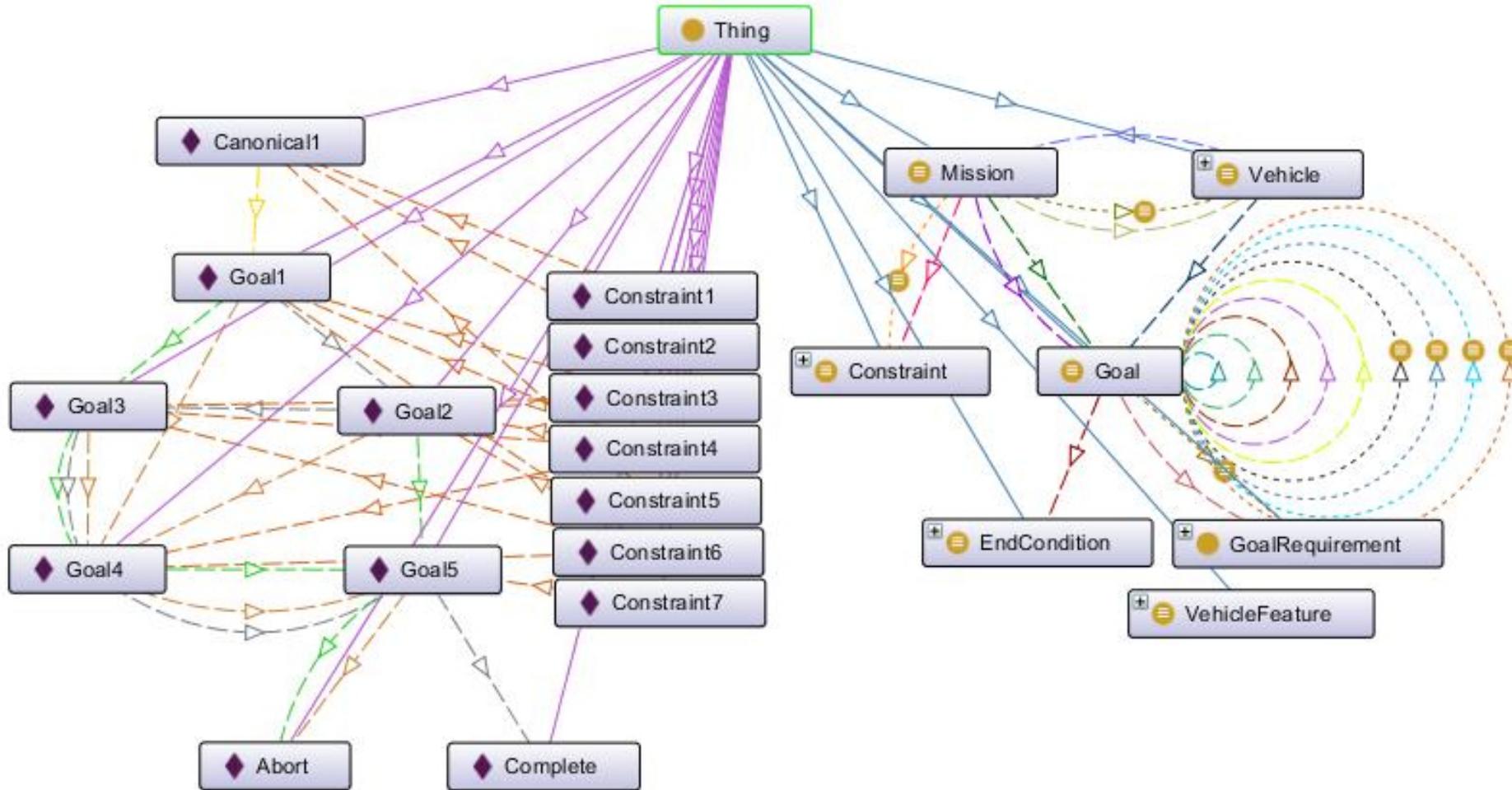
implemented, tested
using Protégé tool

Mission Execution Ontology (MEO) for Ethical Control of Unmanned Systems in Surrogate Scenarios

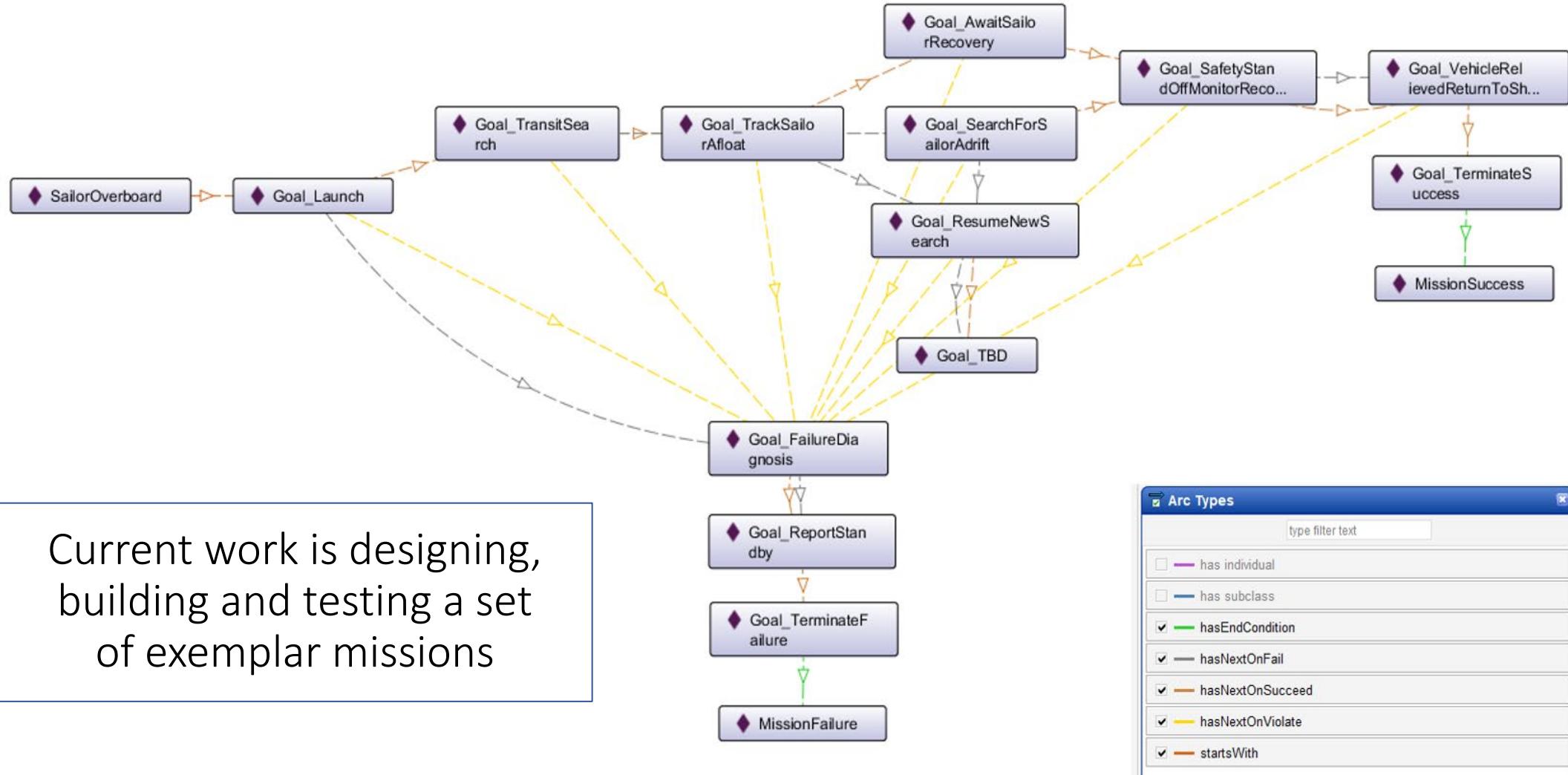
Summary of relationships

- **Autonomous Vehicle Command Language (AVCL) for Missions.**
 - Declarative XML, years of NPS research.
- **Multiple Mission Representations.**
 - Imperative commands (orders/waypoints/etc.).
 - Declarative commands (mission goals).
 - Mission results (order log, telemetry etc.).
 - Mission metadata for parameters, settings.
 - Lisp and Prolog examples (Bob McGhee, NPS).
- **Autonomous Unmanned Vehicle (AUV) Workbench Simulation and Visualization Support**
 - Recently restored, debug testing commenced.
 - AVCL 2.1 is prior published version, centered on *syntactic validation*, solo robot operations.
 - AVCL 3.0 is new working version for testing range of multi-participant missions.
- **Mission Execution Ontology (MEO) for Semantic Validation**
 - Semantic Web framework of rules, relationships for *ethical validation*.
 - Initial examples in IEEE JOE paper.
 - Retested using current Protégé, Jena tools.
- **Sailor Overboard and Other Missions**
 - Hand-crafted triples using Turtle syntax.
 - Beginning to build unit testing framework.
 - Confirming correlation of AVCL information model to existing MEO ontology.
 - Automatic conversion of AVCL missions to match, thus accelerating multiple-mission testing on diverse systems.
 - Visualization, reporting via AUV Workbench can aid understanding, mission planning and further progress.

Example Mission Validation using Protégé Tool



Ethical Control of Unmanned Systems in a Surrogate Scenario: Sailor Overboard Mission defined using the MEO Ontology



Current work is designing,
building and testing a set
of exemplar missions

SPARQL Protocol and RDF Query Language

- “[SPARQL](#) is an [RDF query language](#) — that is, a [semantic query language](#) for [databases](#) — able to retrieve and manipulate data stored in [Resource Description Framework \(RDF\)](#) format.” -- Wikipedia
- Standardized as World Wide Web (W3C) Recommendation
 - Open-source implementations that we use include [Apache ARQ](#) and [Protégé](#) tool.
- We use SPARQL to express queries against AVCL missions in RDF/OWL (Turtle syntax) together with Mission Execution Ontology (MEO).
- Results reveal interesting properties about missions that are otherwise difficult to determine. Inferences can also be combined and correlated.
- Goal is to express in-depth [mission-related queries](#) that determine
 - Whether all logical mission prerequisites and constraints are satisfied, and
 - Whether tactical policies and Rules of Engagement (ROE) are met.

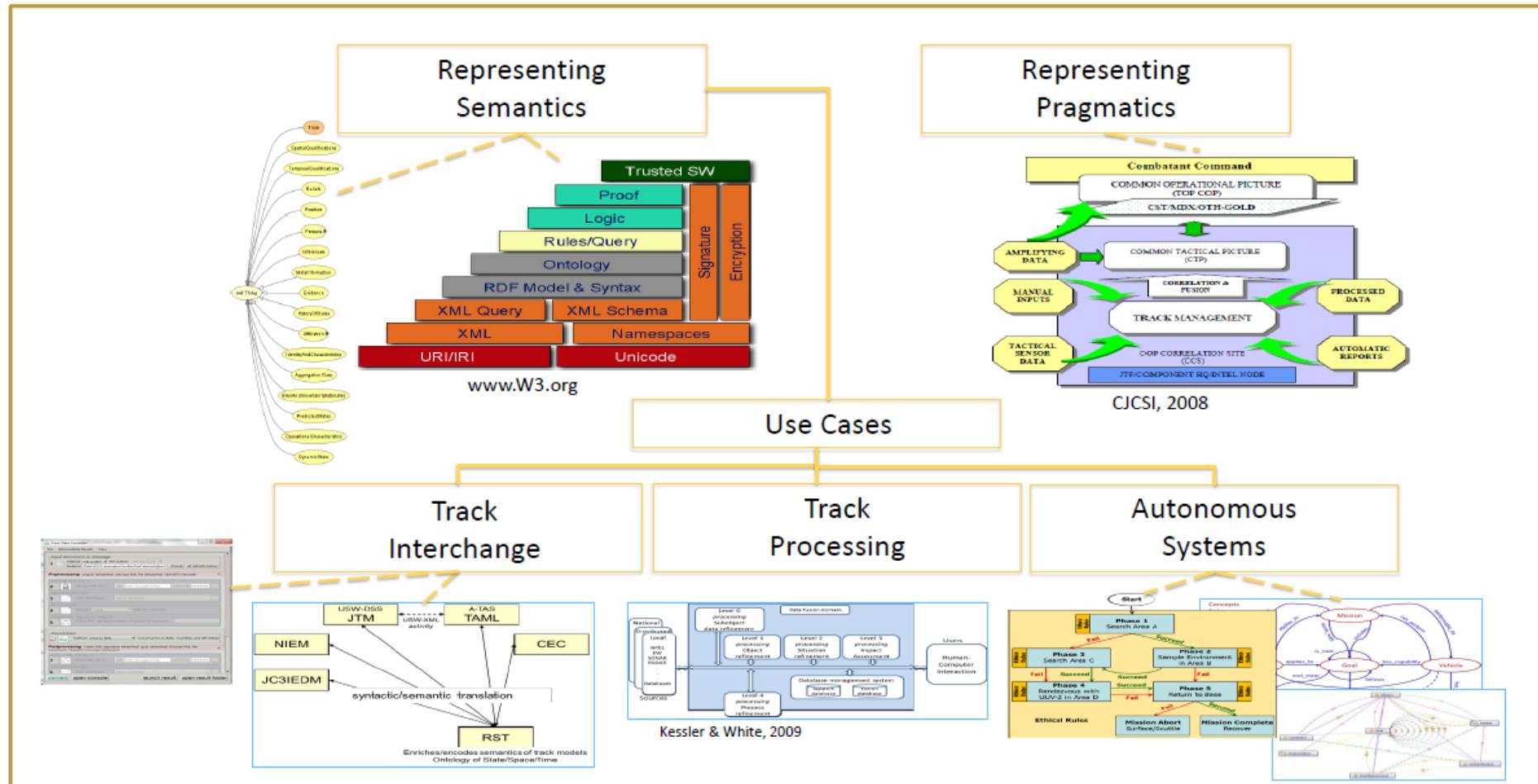
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1 Perform Mission Execution Ontology metaquery MissionExecutionOntologyQuery\_01.rq
2 to produce output file MissionExecutionOntologyQuery\_01.rq.txt:
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4 PREFIX : <https://www.nps.edu/ontologies/MissionExecutionOntology/missions#>
5 PREFIX meo: <https://www.nps.edu/ontologies/MissionExecutionOntology#>
6 PREFIX owl: <http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#>
7 PREFIX rdf: <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#>
8 PREFIX rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#>
9 PREFIX xml: <http://www.w3.org/XML/1998/namespace>
10 PREFIX xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#>
11
12 # @base <https://www.nps.edu/ontologies/MissionExecutionOntology/missions>
13
14 # MissionExecutionOntologyQuery\_01.rq Metaquery to list all properties
15 with corresponding domains and ranges in Mission Execution Ontology.
16
17 #####
18
19 SELECT distinct ?property ?domain ?range
20 WHERE
21 {
22     ?property rdfs:range ?range .
23     ?property rdfs:domain ?domain .
24 }
25 ORDER by ASC(?property) # alphabetize
26
27 #####
```

Confirm MEO via self-centered
SPARQL *metaquery*
[MissionExecutionOntologyQuery_01.rq](#)

28	property	domain	range	
29				
30				
31	<u>meo:appliesTo</u>	<u>meo:Constraint</u>	<u>_b0</u>	
32	<u>meo:canFulfill</u>	<u>meo:VehicleFeature</u>	<u>meo:GoalRequirement</u>	
33	<u>meo:canIdentify</u>	<u>meo:Vehicle</u>	<u>meo:Constraint</u>	
34	<u>meo:canMeet</u>	<u>meo:Vehicle</u>	<u>meo:Goal</u>	
35	<u>meo:canPerform</u>	<u>meo:Vehicle</u>	<u>meo:Mission</u>	
36	<u>meo:canTest</u>	<u>meo:VehicleFeature</u>	<u>meo:Constraint</u>	
37	<u>meo:hasConstraint</u>	<u>meo:Mission</u>	<u>meo:Constraint</u>	
38	<u>meo:hasEndCondition</u>	<u>meo:Goal</u>	<u>meo:EndCondition</u>	
39	<u>meo:hasFeature</u>	<u>meo:Vehicle</u>	<u>meo:VehicleFeature</u>	
40	<u>meo:hasNext</u>	<u>meo:Goal</u>	<u>meo:Goal</u>	
41	<u>meo:hasNextOnFail</u>	<u>meo:Goal</u>		
42	<u>meo:hasNextOnSucceed</u>	<u>meo:Goal</u>		
43	<u>meo:hasNextOnViolate</u>	<u>meo:Goal</u>		
44	<u>meo:includes</u>	<u>meo:Mission</u>		
45	<u>meo:isFollowedBy</u>	<u>meo:Goal</u>		
46	<u>meo:isPerformableBy</u>	<u>meo:Mission</u>	<u>meo:Vehicle</u>	
47	<u>meo:meetsRequirement</u>	<u>meo:Vehicle</u>	<u>meo:GoalRequirement</u>	
48	<u>meo:requires</u>	<u>meo:Goal</u>	<u>meo:GoalRequirement</u>	
49	<u>meo:startsWith</u>	<u>meo:Mission</u>	<u>meo:Goal</u>	
50				

Confirm MEO via self-centered
SPARQL *metaquery* response
[MissionExecutionOntologyQuery_01.rq.txt](#)

Rich Semantic Track (RST) Ontology



The Rich Semantic Track model formalizes the semantics and pragmatics of track data for broad application, including potential for improving data interchange and processing for unmanned systems.



Class hierarchy: Track

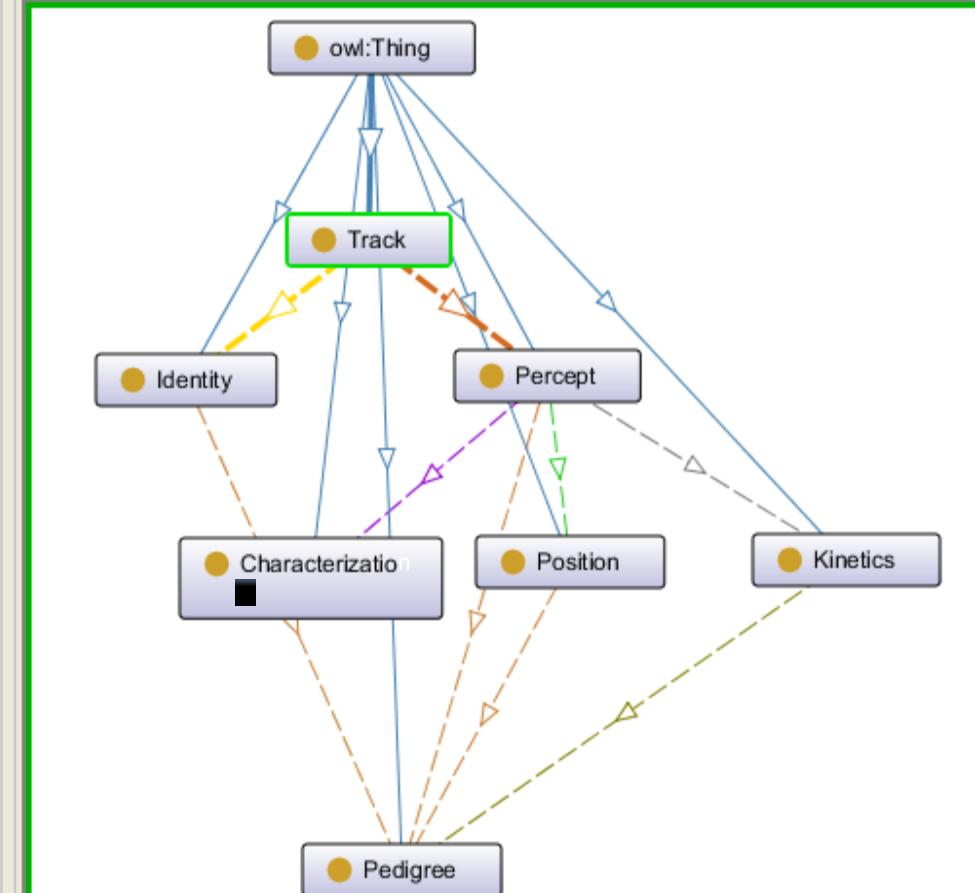


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- Characterization
- Identity
- Kinetics
- Pedigree
- Percept
- Position
- Track

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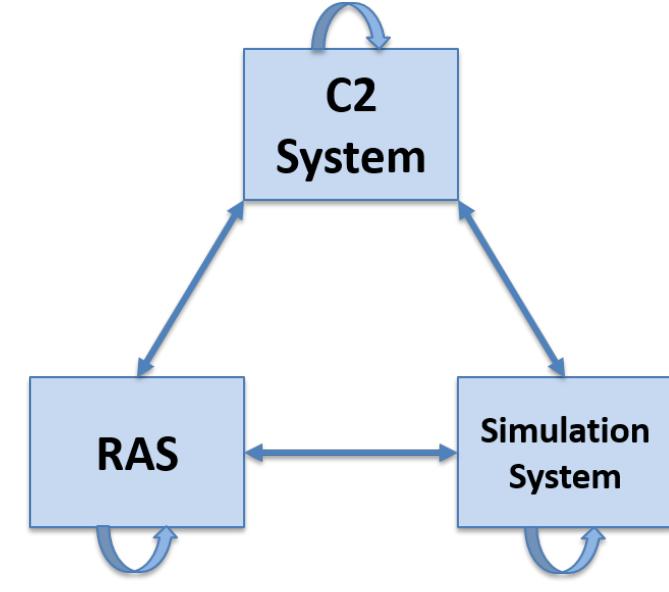


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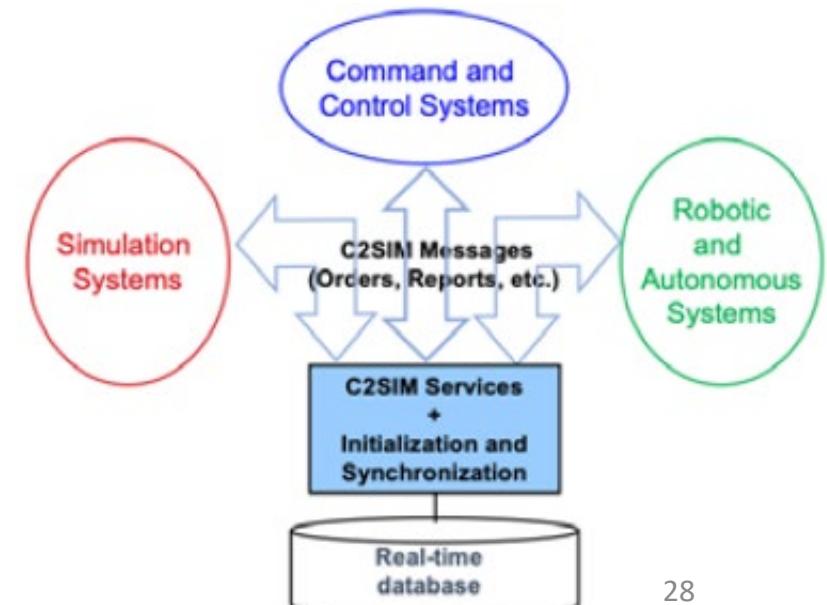
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- has subclass
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- hasIdentity(Subclass all)
- hasKinetics(Subclass all)
- hasPedigree(Subclass all)
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- hasPercept(Subclass all)
- hasPosition(Subclass all)

Coalition Interoperability: C2SIM Standard

- Only international standard for information interchange across C2 systems, simulation systems, and robotic and autonomous systems (RAS)
 - Plans, orders, and reports
 - Being adopted as NATO Standardization Agreement (STANAG)
 - Identified standard for the NATO Federated Mission Networking initiative
- Published April 2020 by the Simulation Interoperability Standards Organization ([SISO](#))
 - [C2SIM Core Ontology and Standard Military Extension](#)
 - [C2SIM Land Operations Extension](#)
 - [C2SIM Guide](#)



Nine-way interactions
(inter-system and extra-system)



IEEE P7000-series Standards Projects

<https://ethicsinaction.ieee.org>



- P7000 Model Process for Addressing Ethical Concerns during System Design
- P7001 Transparency of Autonomous Systems
- P7002 Data Privacy Process
- P7003 Algorithmic Bias Considerations
- P7004 Standard on Child and Student Data Governance
- P7005 Standard on Employee Data Governance
- P7006 Standard on Personal Data AI Agent Working Group
- P7007 Ontological Standard for Ethically driven Robotics and Automation Systems
- P7008 Standard for Ethically Driven Nudging for Robotic, Intelligent and Autonomous Systems
- P7009 Standard for Fail-Safe Design of Autonomous, Semi-Autonomous Systems
- P7010 Well-being metrics Standard for Ethical Artificial Intelligence and Autonomous Systems
- P7011 Standard for the Process of Identifying and Rating the Trustworthiness of News Sources
- P7012 Standard for Machine Readable Personal Privacy Terms
- P7014 Standard for Ethical Considerations in Emulated Empathy in Autonomous and Intelligent Systems

IEEE Standards Project P7007 for Ontological Standard for Ethically driven Robotics and Automation Systems



- IEEE Global Initiative on Ethics of Autonomous and Intelligent Systems.
 - <https://ethicsinaction.ieee.org> includes large document providing broad rationale.
 - Includes 15 separate working groups in IEEE Standards Association (IEEE-SA).
- Relevant group: P7007, Ethically driven Robotics and Automation Systems.
 - “IEEE P7007 Standards Project for Ontological Standard for Ethically driven Robotics and Automation Systems establishes a set of ontologies with different abstraction levels that contain concepts, definitions and axioms that are necessary to establish ethically driven methodologies for the design of Robots and Automation Systems.”
 - <http://standards.ieee.org/develop/project/7007.html>
 - Must be IEEE member, observe patent-policy requirements to participate in working group.
 - “Not the intent to specify required ethical behaviors, but rather to formalize a vocabulary of terms, concepts, and relationships that can be used to enable unambiguous discussion among [...] communities regarding what it means for autonomous systems to exhibit ethical behaviors.”
 - Excellent forum with rich references, worth observation and participation.
- **Active work:** align several Ethical Control terms, concepts, use cases with P7007.

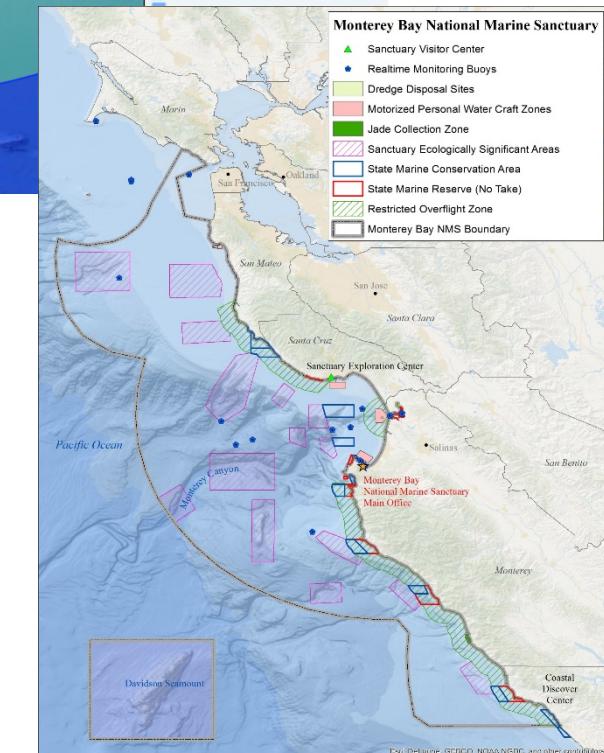
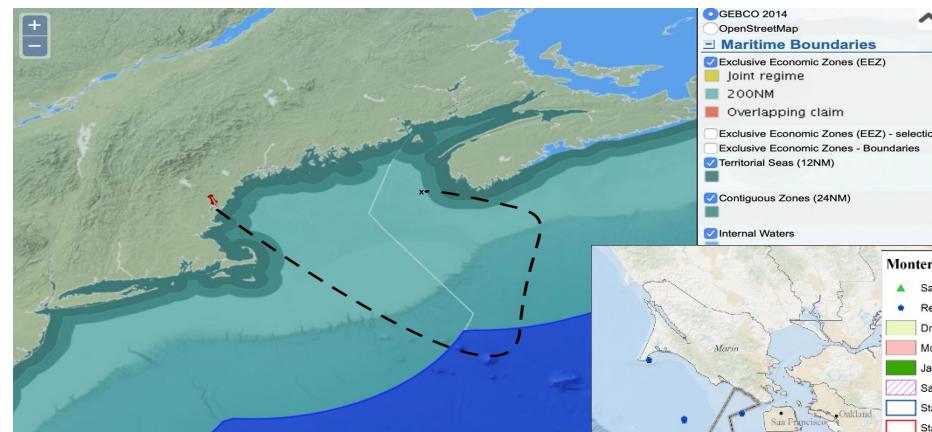
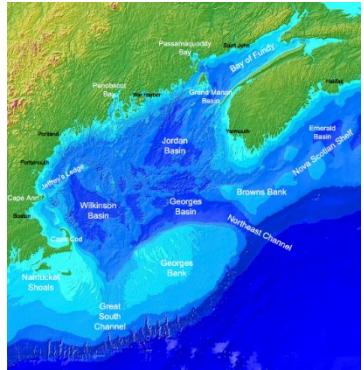
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Legal and Ethical Policies

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Priority Legal and Policy Issues of Unmanned Systems

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Formation, Implementation, and Verification of Requirements for Human-Autonomy Teaming

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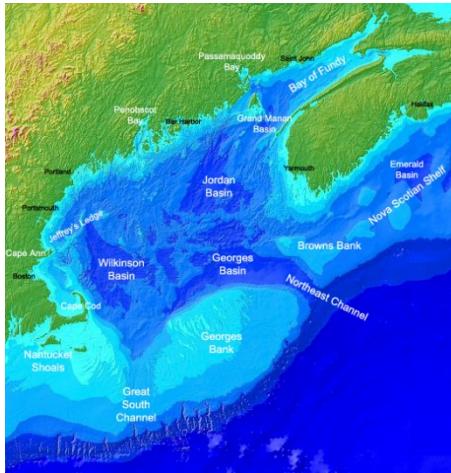
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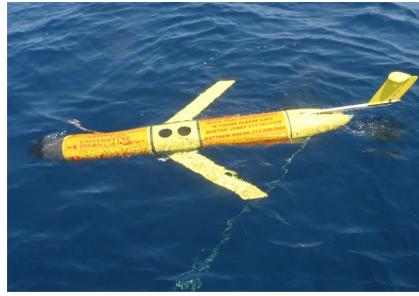
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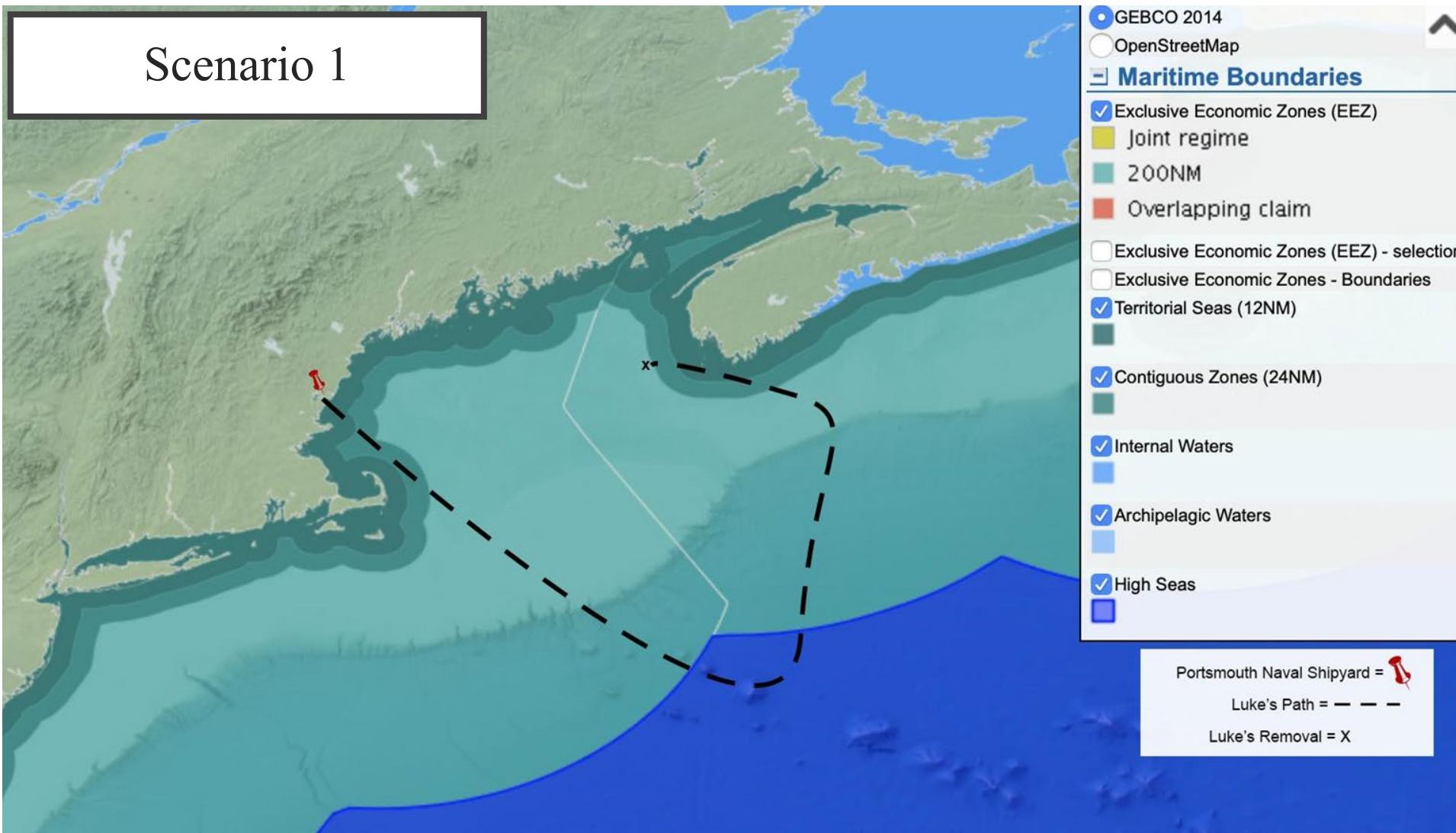
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**WHAT ARE THE LEGAL
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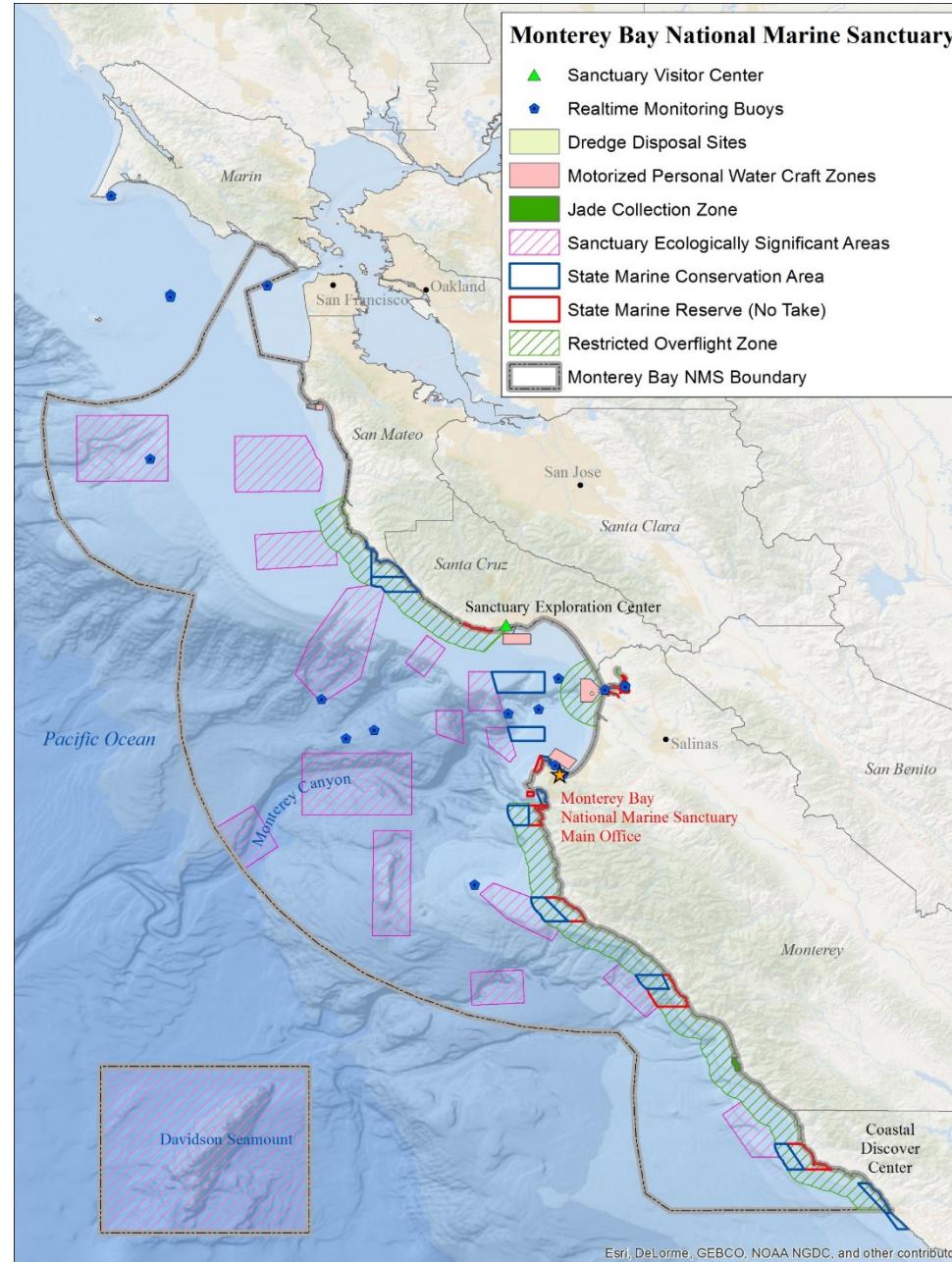
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Scenario 1



Scenario 2

- Protected Areas:
 - National Marine Sanctuary
 - State Marine Conservation Areas
 - State Marine Reserves
- Federal Laws
 - Clean Water Act
 - Laws related to:
 - Discharges
 - Marine Debris
 - Hazardous Waste





KEY FINDINGS

- Rapidly-evolving technology challenges the law: law and policy will often lag behind.
- Applicable laws may differ depending on the operating environment and level of autonomy.
- The need to understand the environmental and climate considerations for these systems is increasing.
(CRUSER Advancing Legal Clarity Project)

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(added) Observations: Ethics, Law and Data

- Conceptual Interoperability is straightforward for humans to measure: “does it make sense?”
- **We are not** asking robots to make ethical decisions – illegal, not possible. **We are** enabling systems support for ethical human decision making.
- “Answer to question” = “response to query” means we all have to get beyond curious syntax to shared terminology and understanding of results, otherwise (like it or not) your overall system design must be insufficient.
- Rules followed by warfighters, peace officer, responsible individuals are all based on **The Law**. Thus we can now strive for consistency with [LOAC](#), etc.
- **TRUST** is the top of the semantic chain... bridging to next section:

In God We Trust. All Others Bring Data! [W. Edwards Deming](#)

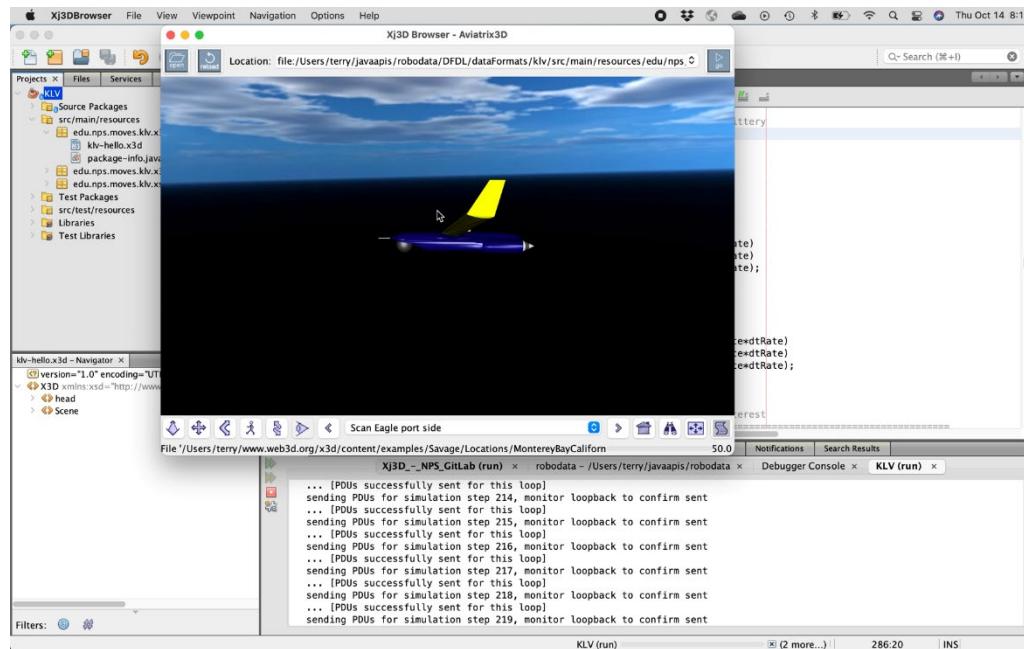
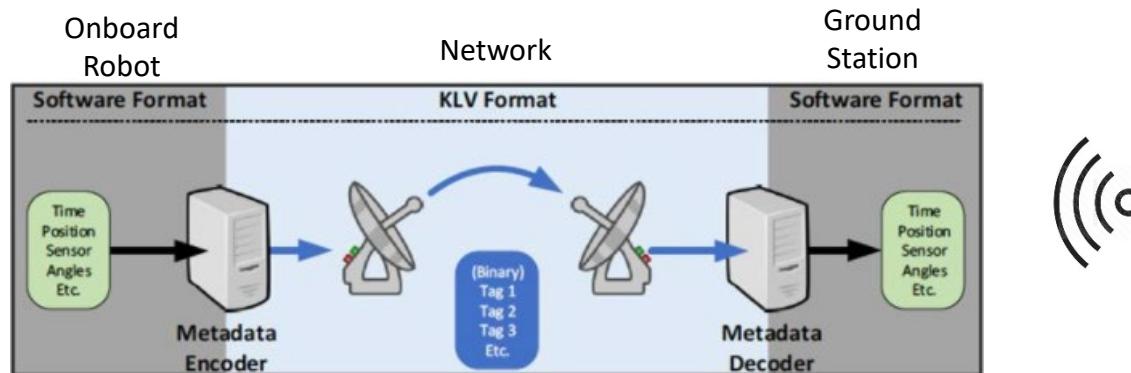
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Software Design, Development, and Testing

Real-World
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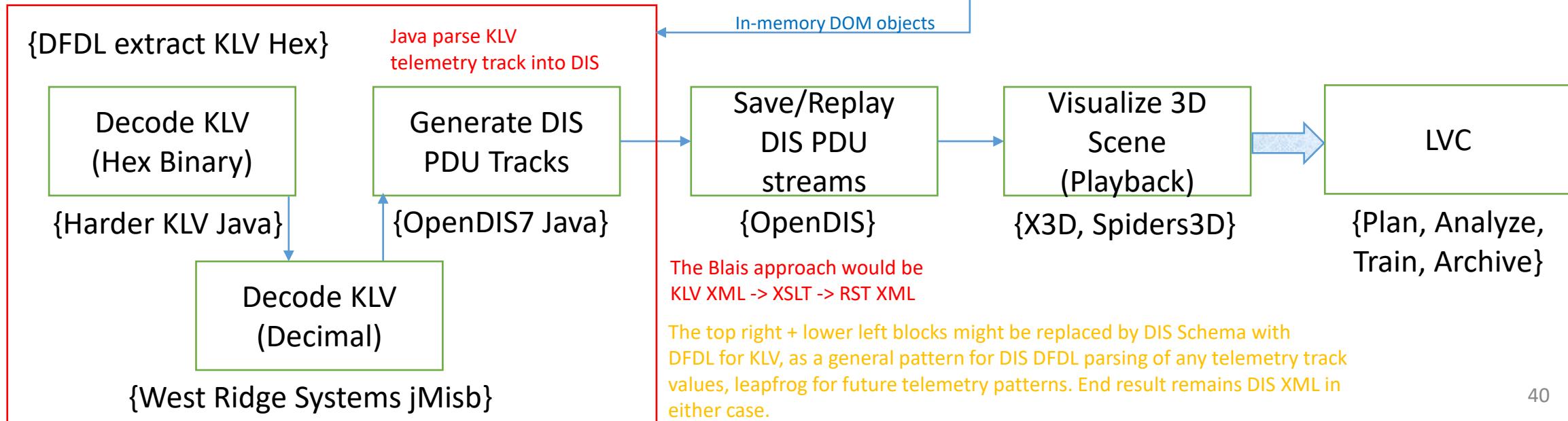
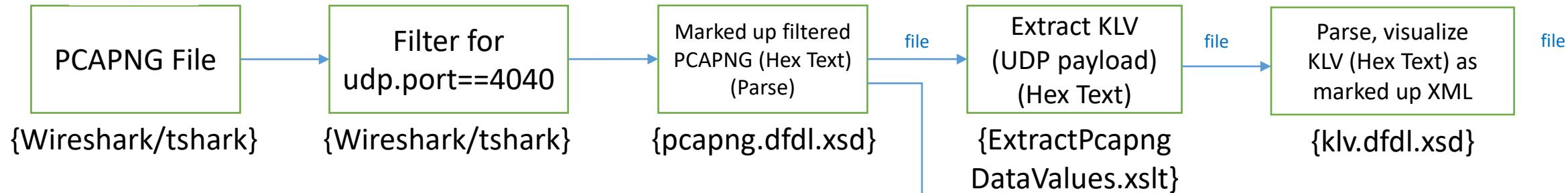
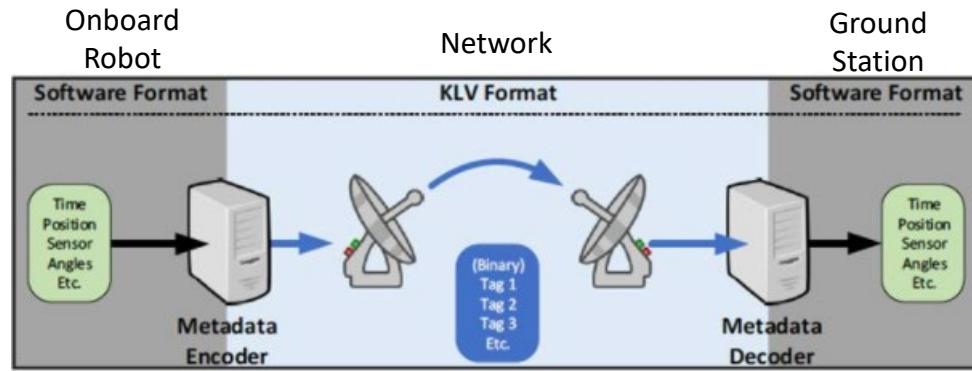


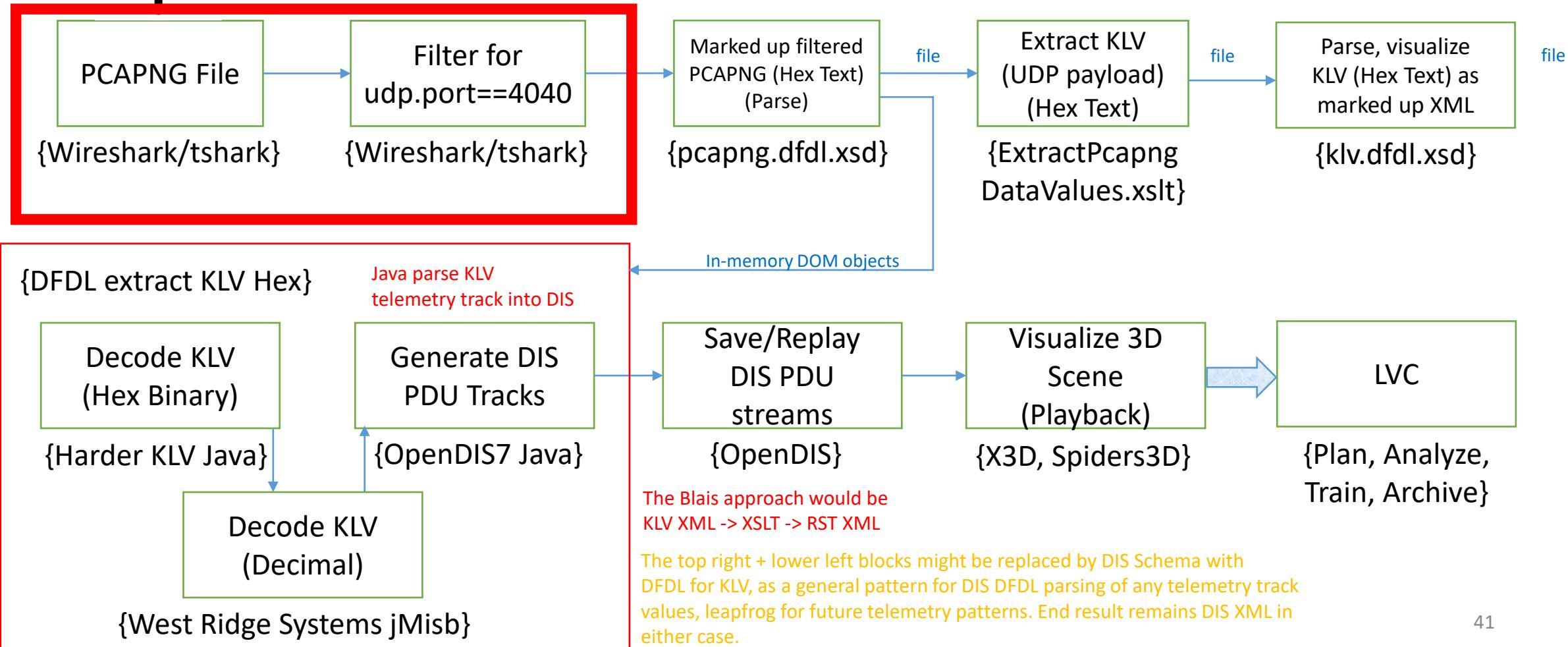
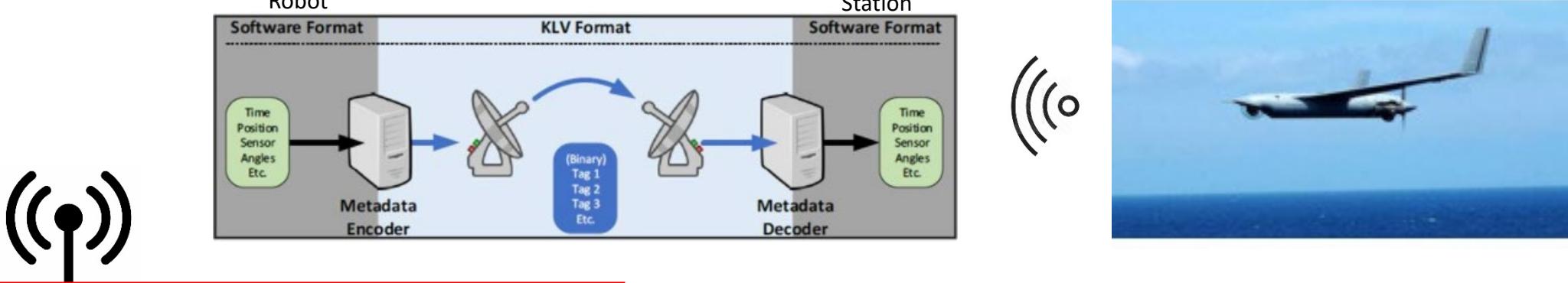
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KLV 2 3D

The process of capturing wirelessly networked KLV Local Set data transmitted from an unmanned aerial system (UAS) to visualizing that data in 3D using Open Source, Open Standards technology.





PCAPNG File Format

Block: Section Header Block 1

> Block Type: Section Header Block (0x0a0d0d0a)

Block Length: 196

> Block Data

Block Length: 196

Block: Interface Description Block 0

> Block Type: Interface Description Block (0x00000001)

Block Length: 100

> Block Data

Block Length: 100

Block: Enhanced Packet Block 1

> Block Type: Enhanced Packet Block

Block Length: 1548

> Block Data

Block Length: 1548

Block: Enhanced Packet Block 6540

Block: Interface Statistics Block

PCAPNG File Format

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Block Data

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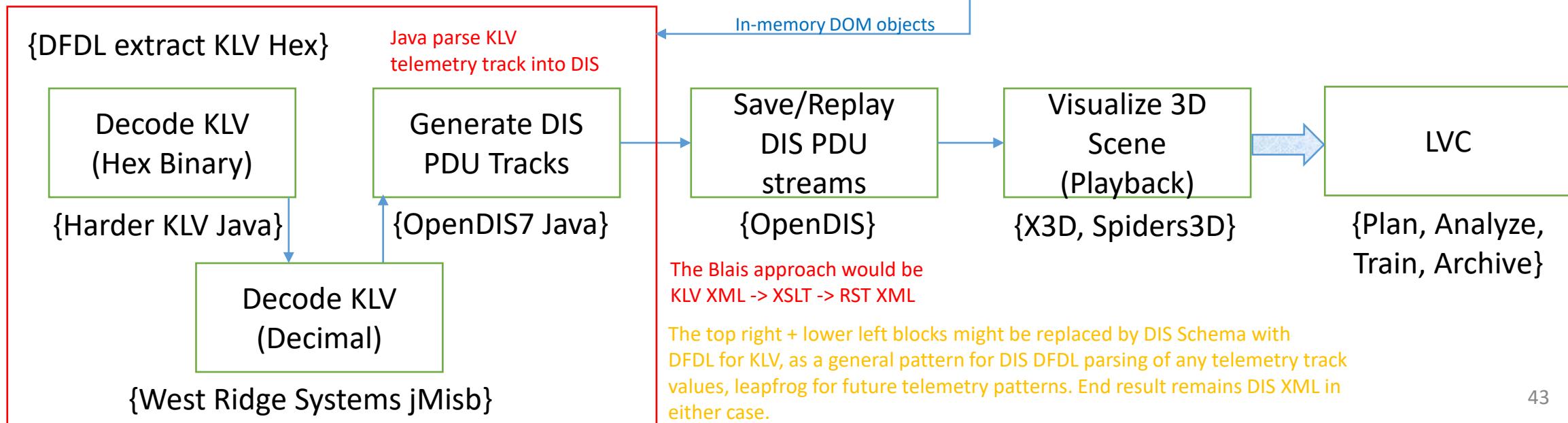
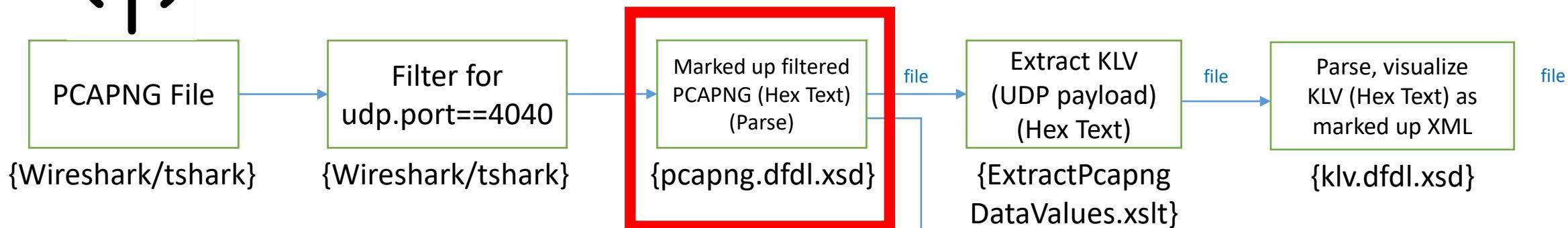
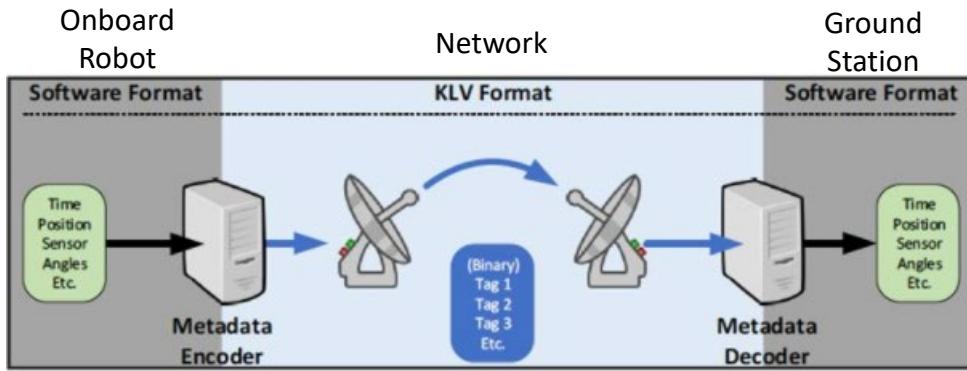
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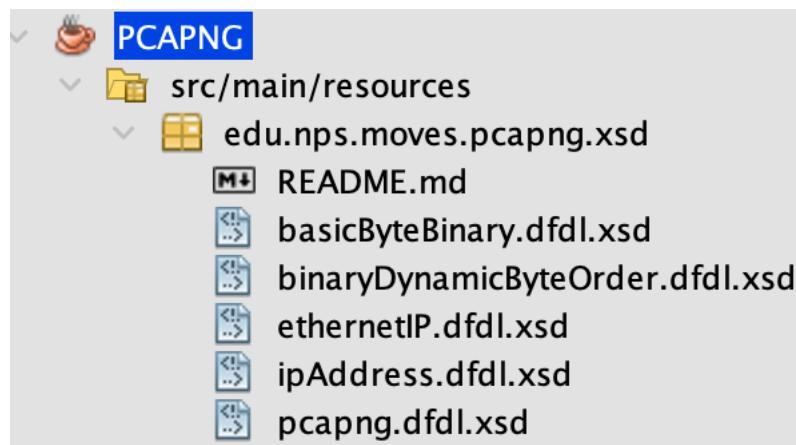
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DFDL decorated XML Schema for PCAPNG



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  xmlns:fn="http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions"
  xmlns:daf="urn:ogf:dfdl:2013:imp:daffodil.apache.org:2018:ext"
  xmlns:dfdlx="http://www.ogf.org/dfdl/dfdl-1.0/extensions"
  xmlns:eth="urn:ethernet"
  xmlns:db="urn:dynamicEndianBinary"
  xmlns:pcapng="urn:pcapng:1.0"
  xmlns:tns="urn:pcapng:1.0"
  targetNamespace="urn:pcapng:1.0">

  <xs:import namespace="urn:dynamicEndianBinary"
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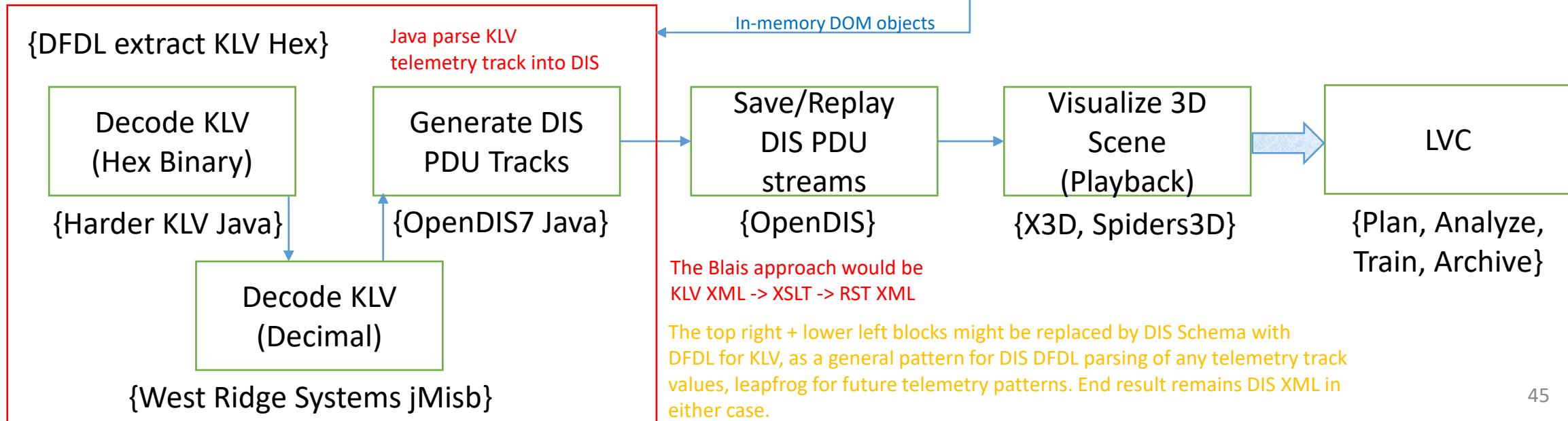
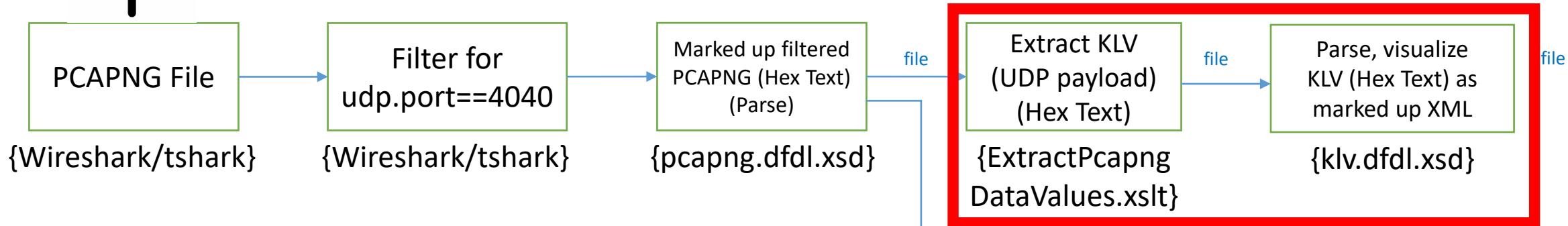
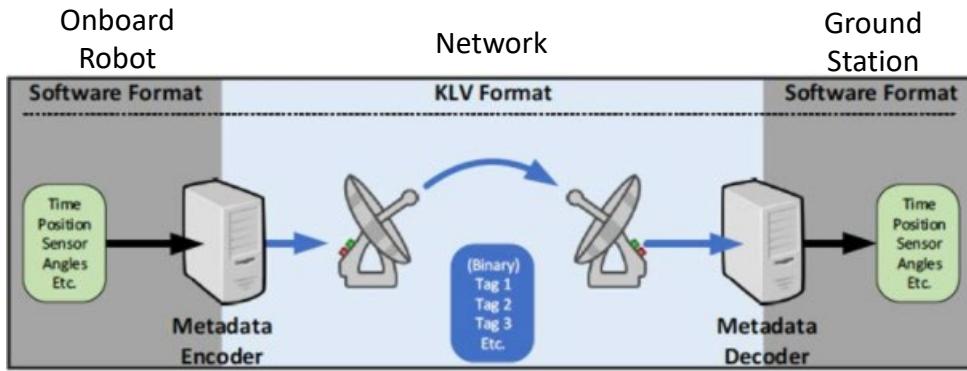
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      <dfdl:format ref="db:binaryDynamicByteOrder" byteOrder="littleEndian"/>
      <!--
        Used to eliminate common subexpression in outputValueCalc of CapturedPacketLength
      -->
      <dfdl:defineVariable name="valueLen" type="xs:int" dfdlx:direction="unparseOnly"/>
    </xs:appinfo>
  </xs:annotation>

  <!--
    Since this is a DFDL schema for a concrete file format, we have a root global element.
    All other elements are declared as local element declarations and so will have
    unqualified names
  -->

  <xs:element name="PCAPNG" type="tns:PCAPNG"/>

  <xs:complexType name="PCAPNG">
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      <xs:element name="SectionHeader">
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          <xs:sequence>
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              <xs:complexType>
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                  <xs:element name="Type" type="xs:hexBinary" daf: lengthKind="explicit"
                    dfdl:length="4" dfdl:lengthUnits="bytes">
                    <xs:annotation>
                      <!-- Diagnostic to see what BlockType # really is -->
                      <xs:appinfo source="http://www.ogf.org/dfdl/">
                        <dfdl:assert message="{ fn:concat('BlockType # was not 0xA0D0D0A.
                          test=\"{ (. eq xs:hexBinary('0A0D0D0A')) }\"/>
                    </xs:annotation>
                  </xs:element>
                </xs:sequence>
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</xs:schema>
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DFDL Decorated XML Schema for KLV

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    xmlns:fn="http://www.w3.org/2005/xpath-functions"
    xmlns:daf="urn:ogf:dfdl:2013:imp:daffodil.apache.org:2018:ext"
    xmlns:dfdlx="http://www.ogf.org/dfdl/dfdl-1.0/extensions"
    xmlns:db="urn:dynamicEndianBinary"
    xmlns:klv="urn:klv:ST0601.14"
    xmlns:tns="urn:klv:ST0601.14"
    targetNamespace="urn:klv:ST0601.14">

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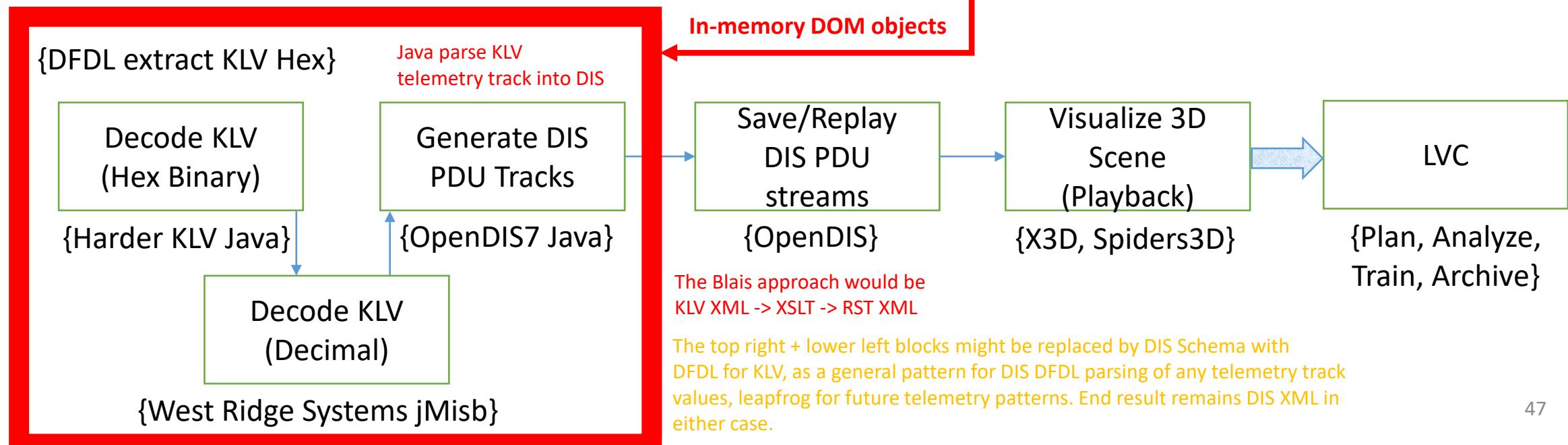
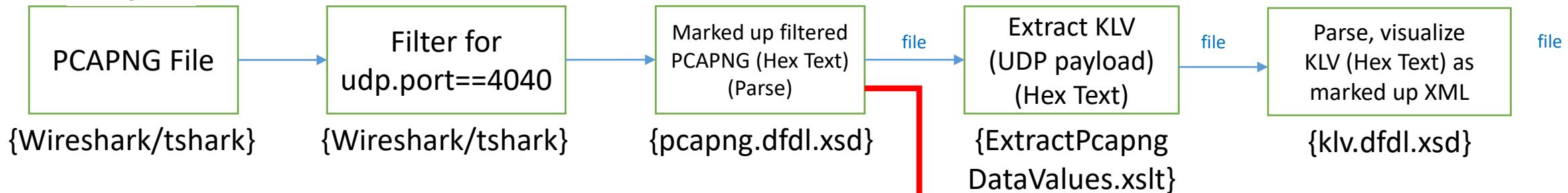
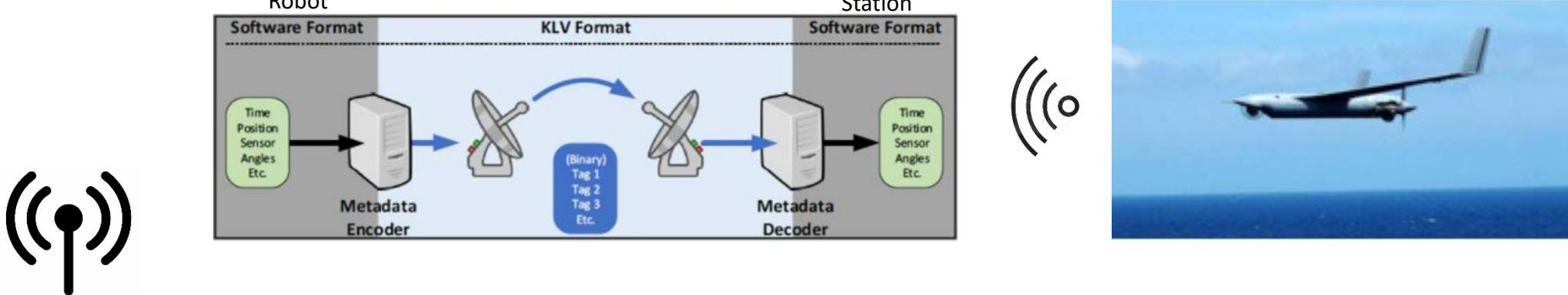
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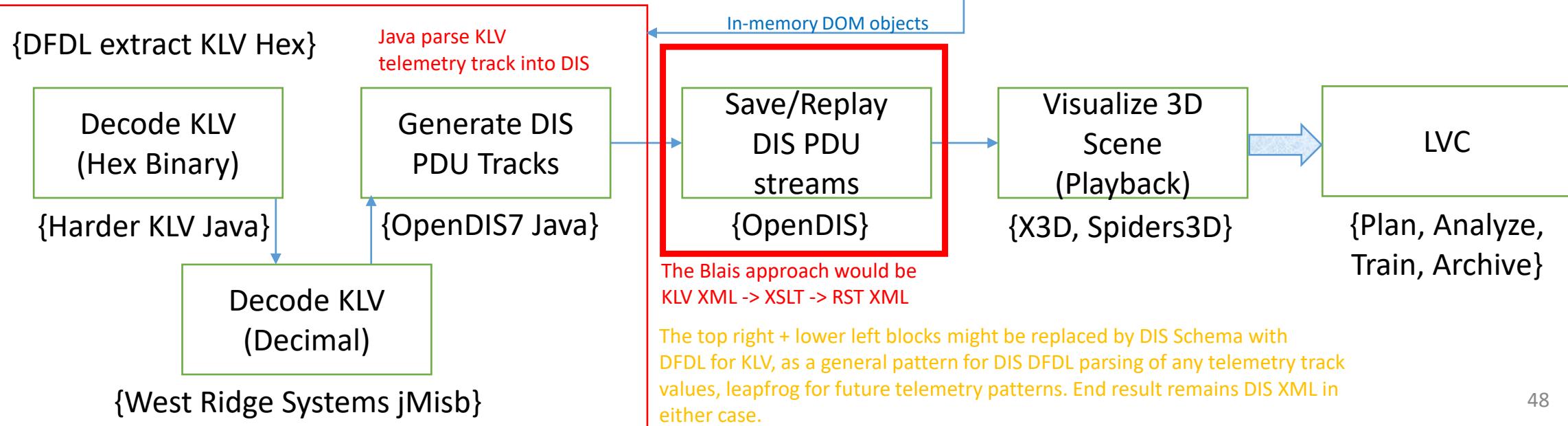
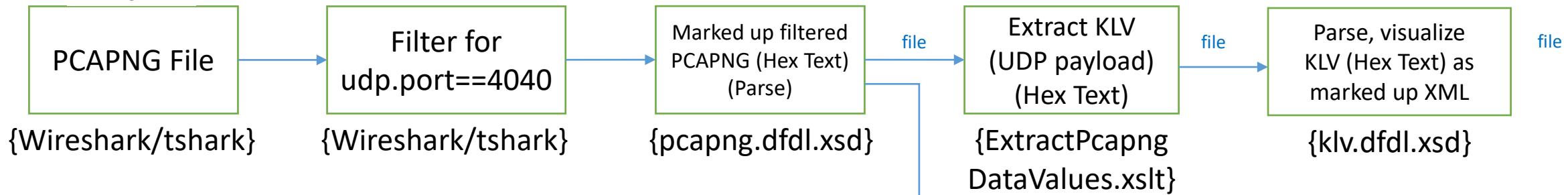
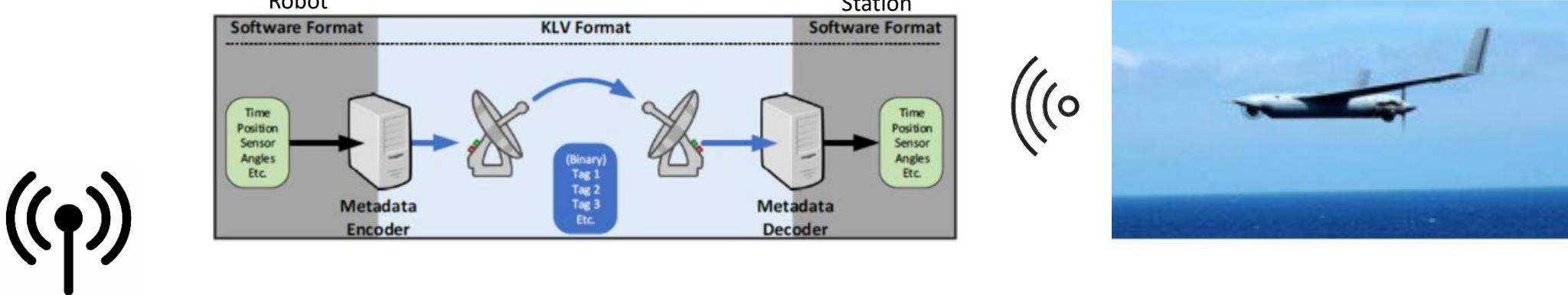
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                    <xs:sequence dfdl:terminator="%NL;">
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                            dfdl:lengthUnits="characters" dfdl:alignment="8" dfdl:length="32"/>
                        <xs:element name="Length" type="xs:string" dfdl:lengthKind="explicit"
                            dfdl:lengthUnits="characters" dfdl:alignment="8" dfdl:length="2"/>
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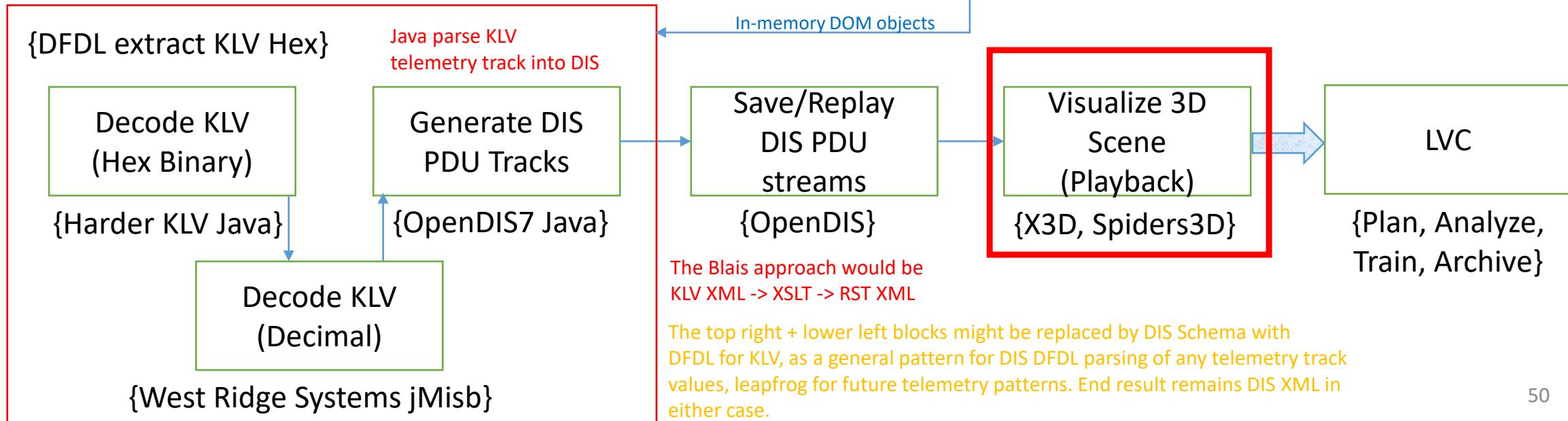
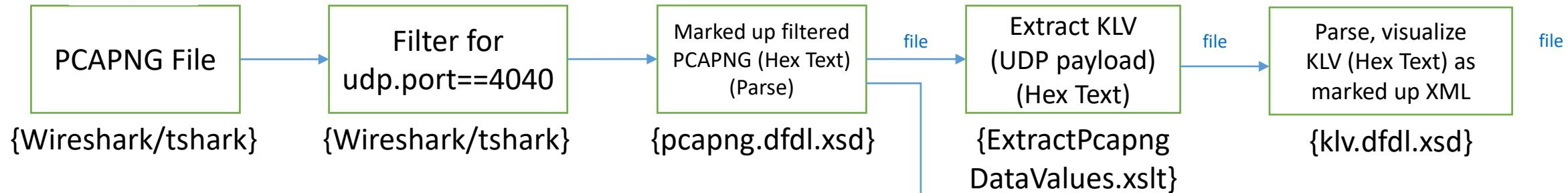
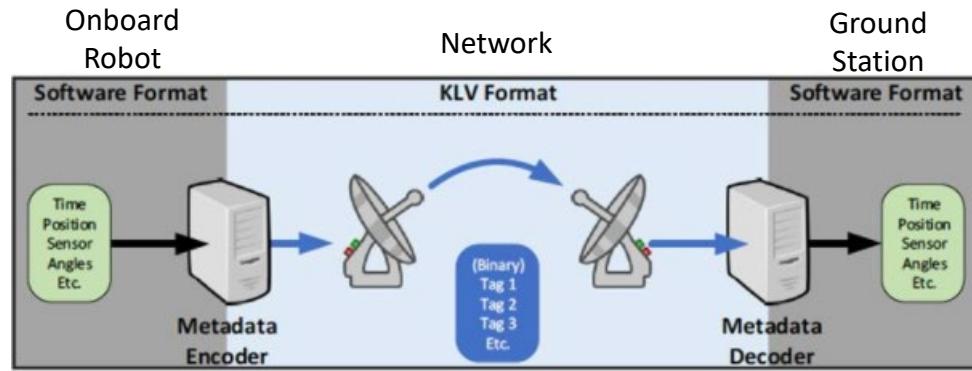
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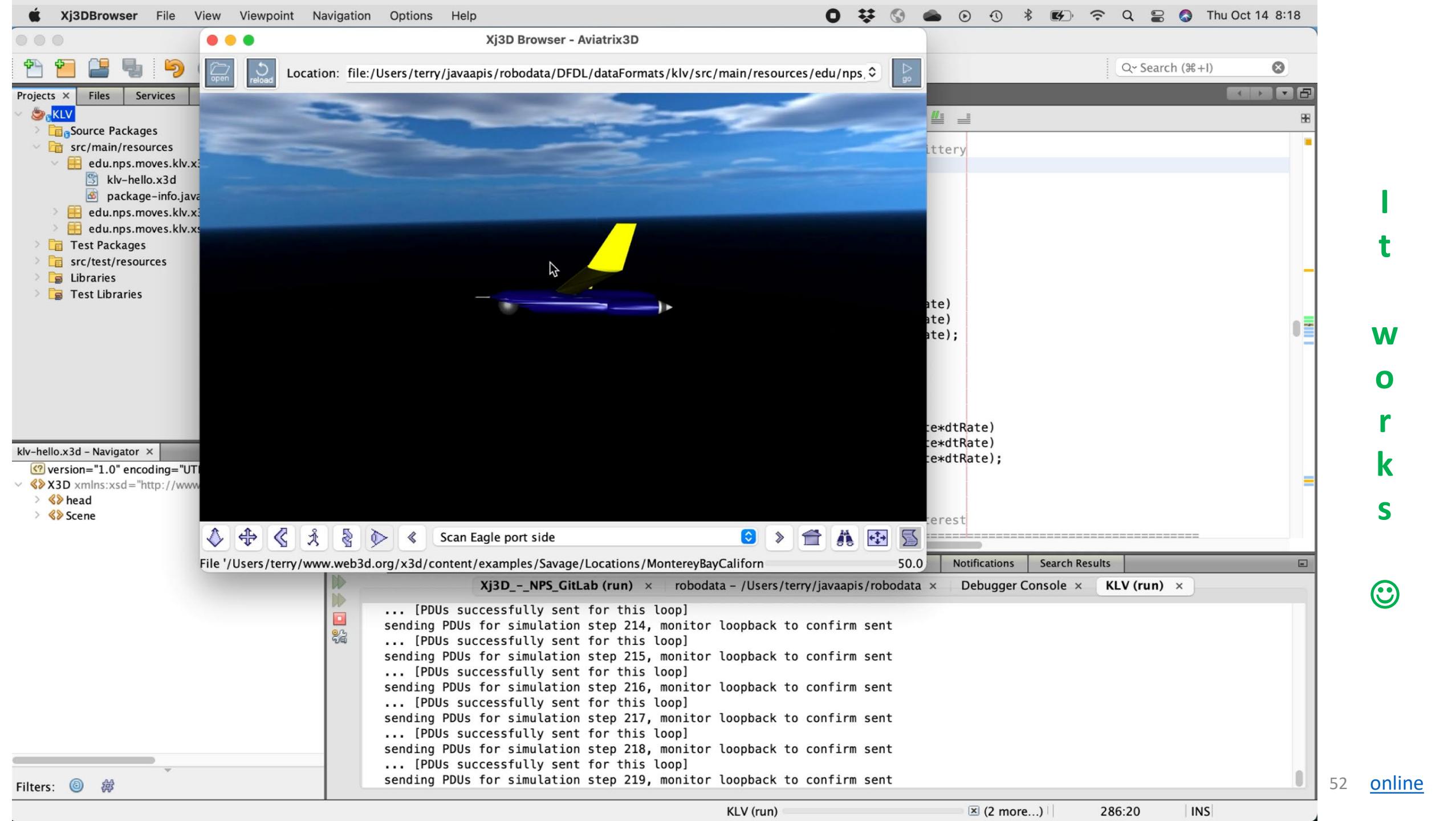
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Saved DIS PDU Capture





Open-Source, Open-Standards Technology Used

- Wireshark
- PCAPNG
- ST 0601.17
- SMPTE ST 336
- Apache Daffodil
- OpenDIS7 Java
- Harder KLV
- West Ridge Systems jMisb
- X3D Graphics
- Xj3D
- XML (Schema, XSLT)
- OpenJDK
- Apache NetBeans IDE

Robodata & RobodataCUI Code Repositories

- Robodata including PCAPNG transformation:
<https://gitlab.nps.edu/Savage/robodata>
- RobodataCUI including KLV transformation:
<https://gitlab.nps.edu/SavageDefense/robodatadefense>

(added) Check Questions

- No prior knowledge of this robot? Standards, bits, go? YES
- Peeling computer-science onion: unlike other flow diagrams, your boxes aren't *programs* but rather refined *data*? YES
- You modified community's pcap Packet Capture mappings written for Data Format Description Language (DFDL), added next-generation PCAPng support and posted back? YES
- If you can handle this robot, are we ready for any other? YES

The Purpose of Computing is Insight, Not Numbers

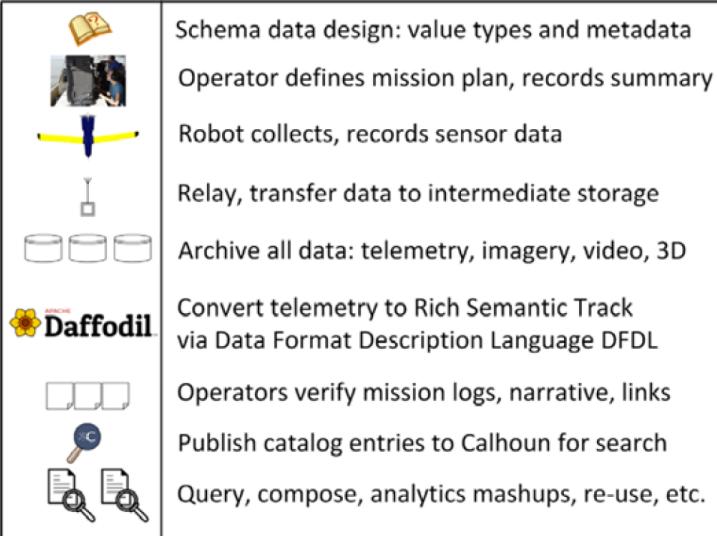
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Synopsis: Ethical Control of Unmanned Systems

- **Project Motivation:** ethically constrained control of unmanned systems and robot missions by human supervisors and warfighters.
- **Precept:** well-structured mission orders can be syntactically and semantically validated to give human commanders confidence that offboard systems
 - *will do what they are told to do*, and further
 - *will not do what they are forbidden to do*.
- **Project Goal:** apply Semantic Web ontology to scenario goals and constraints for logical validation that human-approved mission orders for robots are semantically coherent, precise, unambiguous, and without internal contradictions.
- **Long-term Objective:** demonstrate that no technological limitations exist that prevent applying the same kind of ethical constraints on robots and unmanned vehicles that already apply to human beings.

Paraphrase: can qualified robots correctly follow human orders?



Robodata Workflow: Collection and storage of data enables recording, replay, smoothing and visualization of robot tracks.

Impact

- *What contribution does this work make to your field?* Integrating multiple open-source libraries utilizing multiple open-data standards for comprehensive robot data collection.
- *What is the warfighting impact?* NPS FX is a microcosm matching test range capabilities at Fleet activities. Collaborative connections that are repeatable over time benefit all parties.
- *How will you measure success?* Reuse and adaptation of robot data for live-virtual-constructive (LVC) analysis.

Problem Statement

- *What are you trying to do?* Continuing creation of Data Strategy for Unmanned Systems Field Experimentation, Simulation and Analysis.
- *What is your approach?* A data plus metadata pipeline for any robot mission definition and telemetry has been demonstrated for all technical components. This project will prepare end-to-end exemplars from CRUSER FX and produce a transition plan for mainstream adoption of best practices in NPS experimentation.

Transition

- *Who cares?* This work directly reflects operational testing TESTDEVOPS and PMS 406 UMAA/RAIL. Multiple NPS collaboration partners include robot developers, armed services, and coalition forces. Mutual support for NPS/USNA research and education keeps all efforts grounded and relevant.
- *What are specific sources of continued support and collaboration?* Multiple candidates identified aligning NPS transformation with all key players, now and longitudinally into the future.

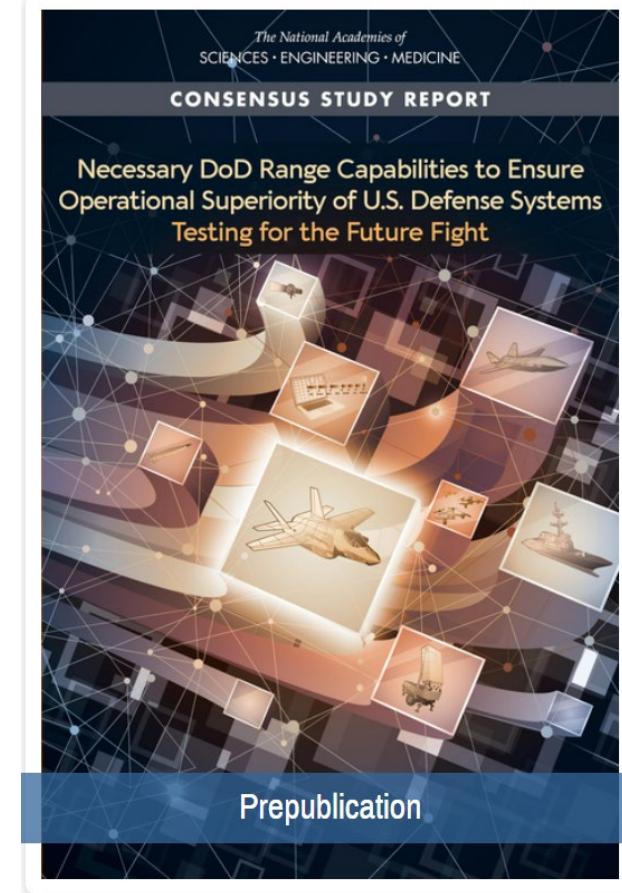
Exemplars Implemented and Ready to Scale Up

We Want All Your Data!

- Huge amounts of data gets collected by CRUSER experimenters
- Huge amounts of data gets saved and ignored, remaining unused
- This is not uncommon
- What if everything was saved, structured, annotated with metadata?
- What if analysis, replay, re-use, Live Virtual Constructive (LVC) were easy?
- What if all student/faculty/partner products were archivable?
- What if best practices influenced DoD and DTIC, all for the better?

NPS Field Experimentation (FX) as DoD Test Range

- JIFX at Camp Roberts quarterly
 - New Sea Land Air Military Robotics (SLAMR) by NPS is possible even more frequently
 - Connect via TENA infrastructure for Distributed Interactive Simulation (DIS) and NATO C2/SIM repeatability and mashups
 - Open or CUI access
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- Outcome: NPS “looks like” a DoD Test Range with best practices for TestDevOps
 - Consider annual focus on Test + Evaluation with COTF and other testing commands



National Academies' report, November 2021

Necessary DoD Range Capabilities to Ensure Operational Superiority of U.S. Defense Systems: Testing for the Future Fight.

<https://www.nap.edu/catalog/26181/necessary-dod-range-capabilities-to-ensure-operational-superiority-of-us-defense-systems>

Where must we all go next

- Massive testing of unmanned hardware + software ability to follow both orders and constraints in physically realistic virtual environments: **TestDevOps** for learning-improvement cycles.
- **Influence and impact operations:** certify real-world capabilities via field experimentation (FX), confirmed by Big Data analysis, defense test range exercises, wargames and theses.
- Human warfighters and mission commanders (not just engineers) review and approve unmanned systems as... **qualified**.
- New normal will be **human + machine teaming** together; future must mainstream all capabilities in acquisition and deployment.
- **Welcome to the future** – the horizon is here!

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