

SYSTEM-OF-SYSTEMS ENGINEERING, OVERVIEW OF RESEARCH ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE NFFP CLUSTER OVERALL DESIGN AND SYSTEM INTEGRATION CHRISTOPHER JOUANNET PH.D

CLUSTER GOALS

- Gather research
- Area of SoS Engineering
- Decision support



SOS ENGINEERING (SOSE)

 Overwhelming complexity & different modeling approaches

Lack of a established process, methods & tools for holistic SoS research

 Relatively young education field (research not lead by universities but DoD...)

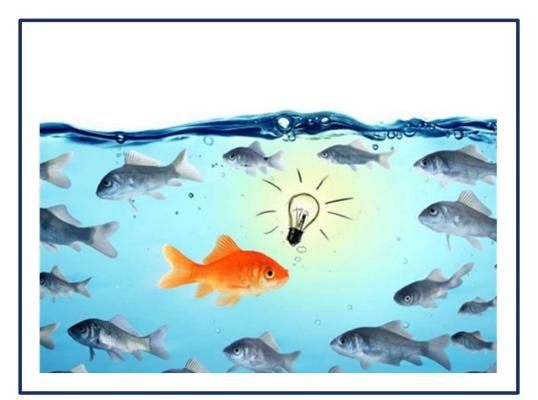


RESEARCH GOALS

- Support decision making for advanced concepts by providing a structured set of vehicle (assets) and technology assessment processes and tools
 - Quantitative modeling of multiple, independent assets
 - Rapid evaluation and visualization of assets and trades
 - Operational needs
 - Technology needs
 - System-of-systems configuration
 - Risks and Costs
 - Capability and effectiveness



SOS CHALLENGES

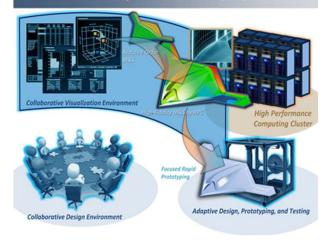


- Compared to a System, a System-of-Systems might:
- Be larger in scope
- Have more complex integration
- Be subject to higher degree of uncertainty and risk
- Evolve more continuously with elements of differing lifecycles
- Lack a single management/acquisition entity and have a broader range of stakeholders
- Have elements which are not designed to fit the whole, and which are integrated post-design and deployment
- Exhibit emergent behaviours
- Have more ambiguous requirements and fuzzy boundaries
- Have continuous SE which is never finished

CHALLENGES IN SOS ENGINEERING

The **complexity** of Systems-of-Systems analysis problem often **confounds** analysts

Vision: Virtual Experimentation (VX)



Physical experiments are typically infeasible or limited

•Computer simulations are required, and are often computationally intensive and time consuming

Verification and Validation is a challenge

SoS are complex

- Limits available modelling techniques
- •Often results in high dimensionality
- Stochastic in nature
- SoS have a large and diverse alternative space
 - Unfathomable number of combinations
 - Can be challenging to visualize results
- Management can overshadow engineering
- The initial requirements are likely to be ambiguous

SOS DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES...

- Existing and legacy system use in SoS:
 - Analyses and tactical optimization
 - Emergent behaviours?
- Gap analyse in current and legacy system to find:
 - New product
 - Enhancement to existing product
 - New tactical usage
- Long term (almost no legacy system):
 - Needs understanding
 - Capability sensitivity from needs
 - SoS design space understanding



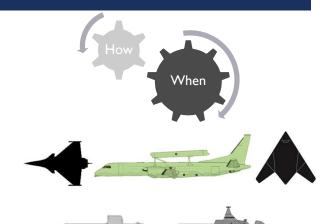
SOS ARCHITECTURE ALTERNATIVE SPACE

Operational Alternatives (HOW and WHEN)

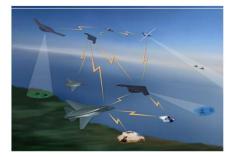
- Changing the ways things are done (for example, the communication structure, or the order in which activities are performed)
- System Alternatives (WHAT and HOW MANY)
 - Changing the elements (physical systems, the means) of the architecture

Organizational Alternatives (WHO)

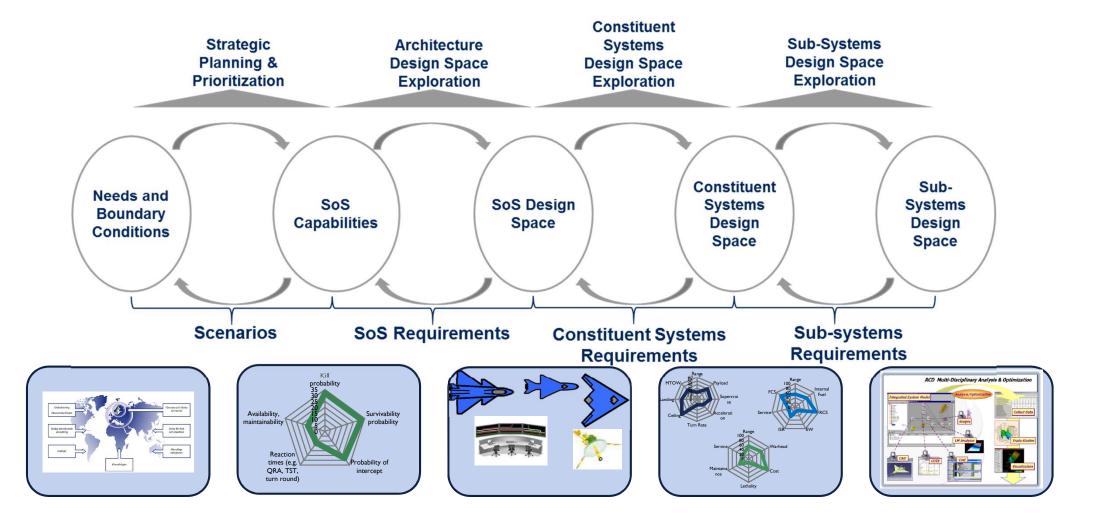
- Changing who is responsible for certain elements, activities, facilities, etc
- Network Alternatives (HOW)
 - Changing the network architecture that enables the information flow required by the SoS
- Combinations of the above

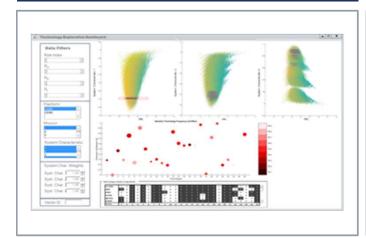


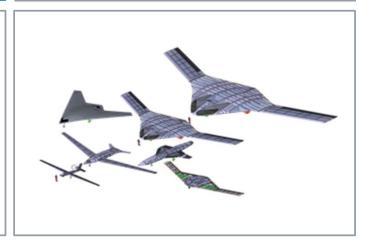




PROPOSED APPROACH...

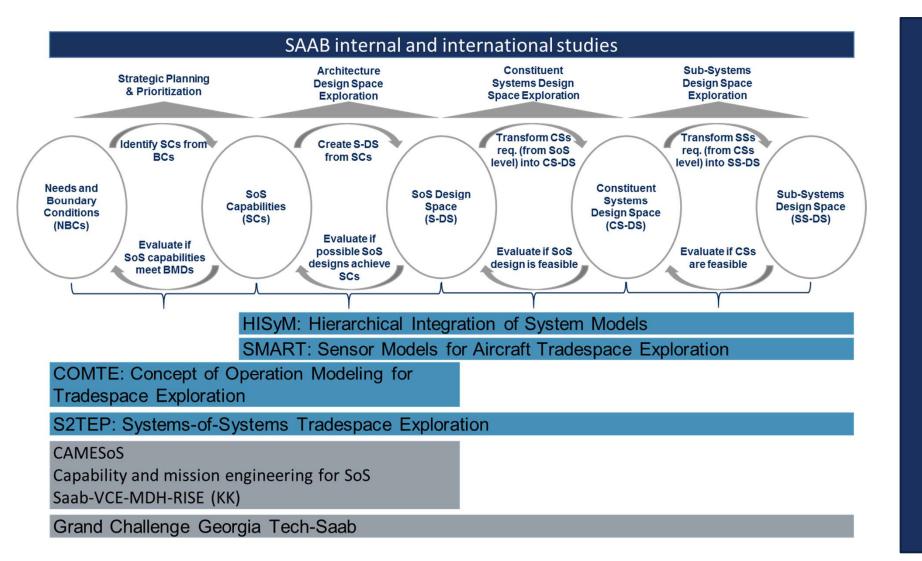






- Support decision and technology assessment:
 - Quantitative modeling of multiple, independent vehicles (assets)
 - Rapid evaluation and visualization of vehicles (assets) and trades
 - Operational needs
 - Capability gap detection
 - Technology needs and portfolio selection
 - System-of-systems configuration (i.e. number and type of systems)
 - Cost, Risks and opportunities
 - Capability and effectiveness (of the system or the SoS)
 - Finding unknown unknown

GOALS SOS IN EARLY DESIGN



Current projects

NEEDS



- higher level(s) of abstract(ion)
- focus on needs, usage and operation
- tremendous larger design space

COMTE

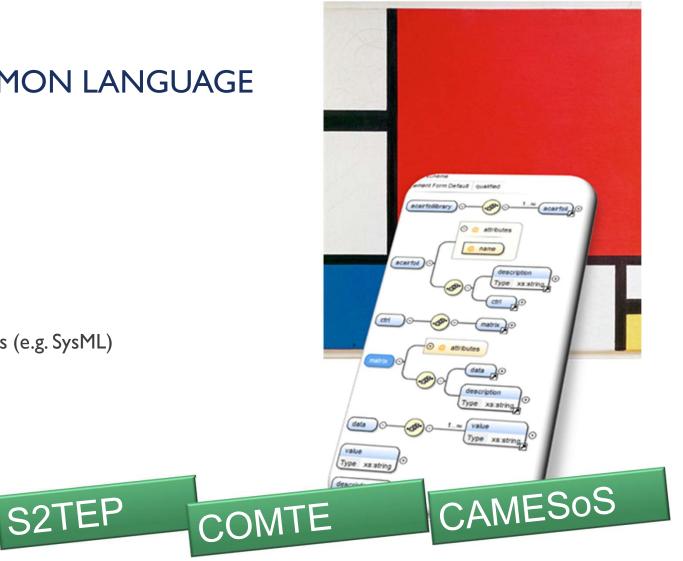
- has to deal with different scenarios and huge uncertainties
- requires interpretation of assumptions / incomplete information

CAMESoS

not longer a pure engineering process

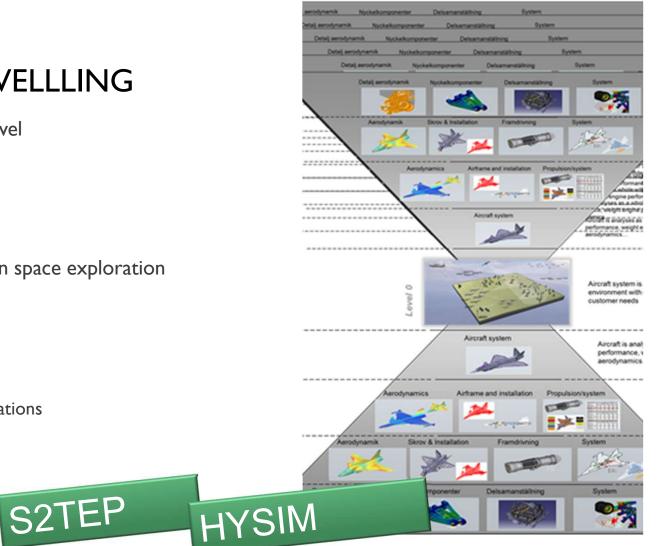
META-MODELING & COMMON LANGUAGE

- Ontology a solution?
- efficient cross-domain modeling
- category and sheaf theory
- unified (multi-domain) modeling languages (e.g. SysML)
- not only cyber-physics modeling, but ...

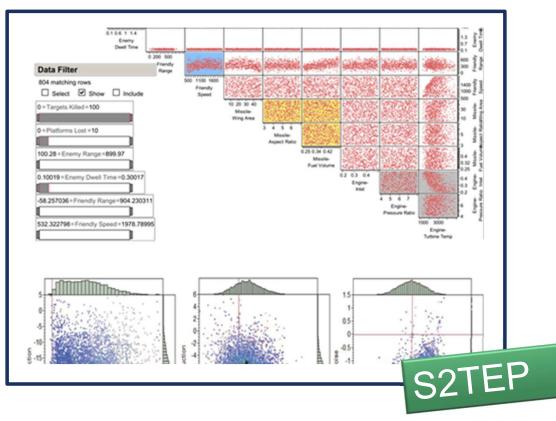


MODELLING @ MULTI-LEVELLLING

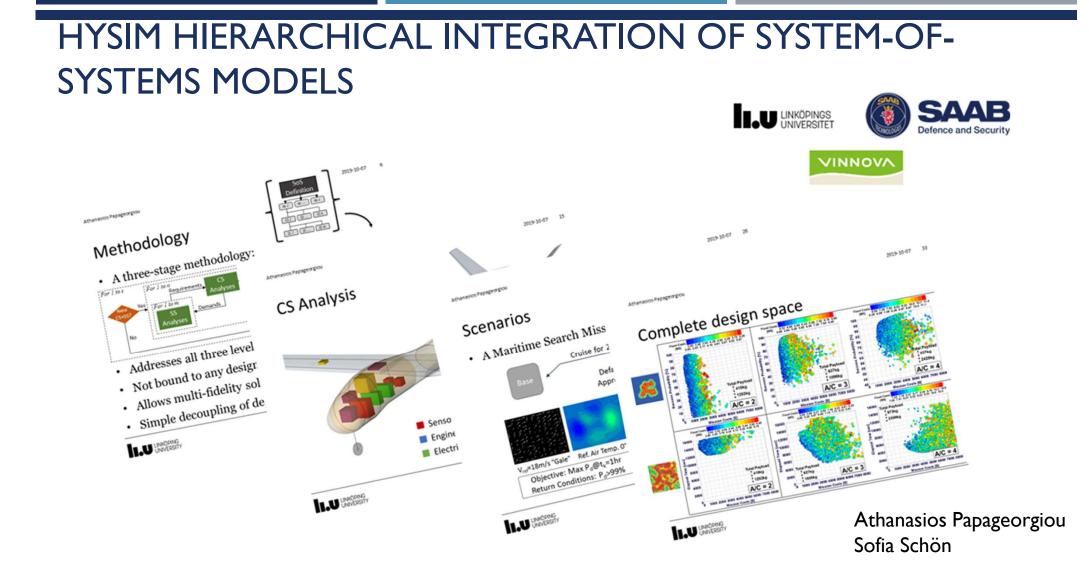
- Applying high fidelity model a different level
 - Component level
 - Assembly level
 - Aircraft level
- Create meta model to be re-use in design space exploration
 - Tradespace exploration:
 - SoS level
- System level
 - Reapply MDO on down selected configurations
 - Repopulate result in meta model

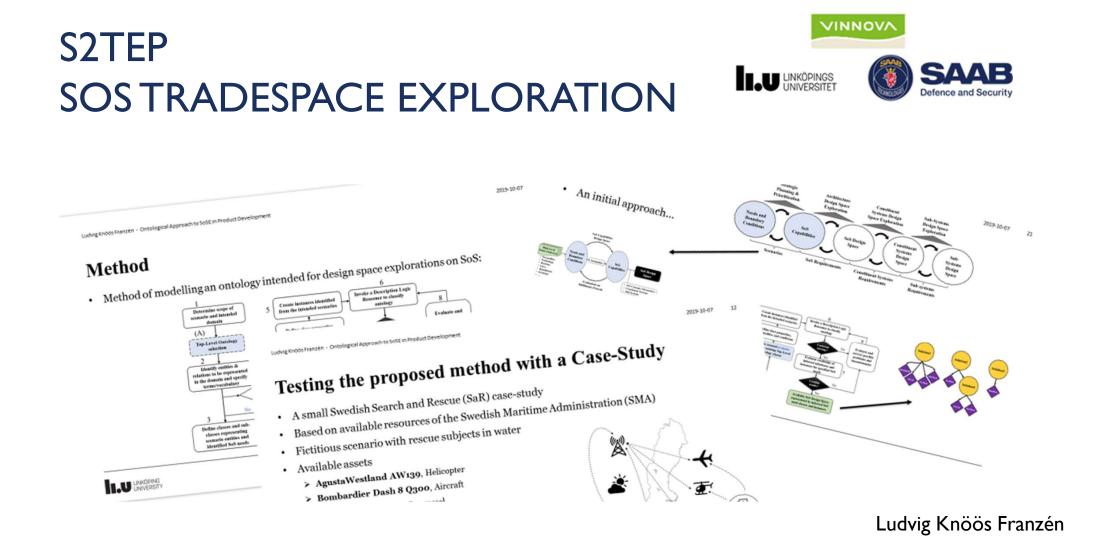


NEEDS OF VISUAL ANALYTICS



- The amounts of data generated is overwhelming and prevent the designer from learning about the design problem
- Data by itself has little value if it is not structured and visualized in a way that allows the designer to act upon it
- Visualization needs to be combined with analytical techniques and embedded in the analysis/reasoning process, as opposed to being an end-product of it
- Visual Analytics is "the science of analytical reasoning facilitated by interactive visual interfaces"





SMART SENSOR MODELLING FOR AIRCRAFT TRADESPACE

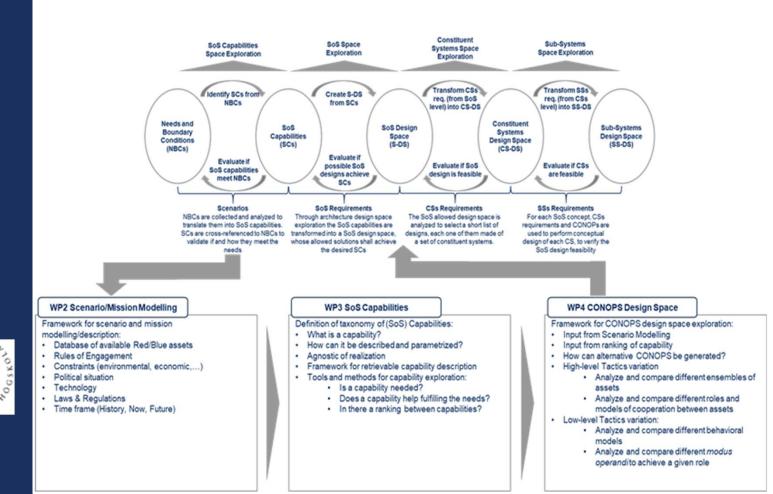


COMTE CONCEPT OF OPERATION MODELLING FOR TRADESPACE EXPLORATION

Karl Kindström-Andersson







CAPABILITY AND MISSION ENGINEERING FOR SYSTEMS-OF-SYSTEMS

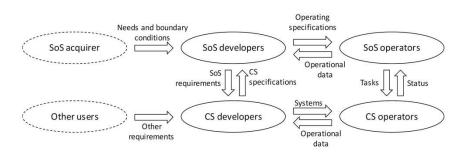


Figure 1. Roles related to an SoS, and some of their interrelations.

	2020			2021				2022				2023	
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Effort
Work package				M1				M2			M3		
1. Best practice analysis													5%
2. Core modeling		1		-									10%
3. Domain modeling													20%
4. Utility function analysis													5%
5. Design space exploration													30%
6. Validation													20%
7. Dissemination													5%
8. Project management													5%

Table 1. Overview of time plan and effort of the work packages.



SAAB Defence and Security

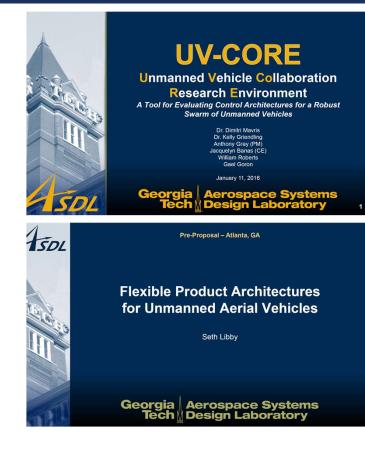




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GEORGIA TECH COLLABORATION

- Grand challenges
- Ph.D. exchange

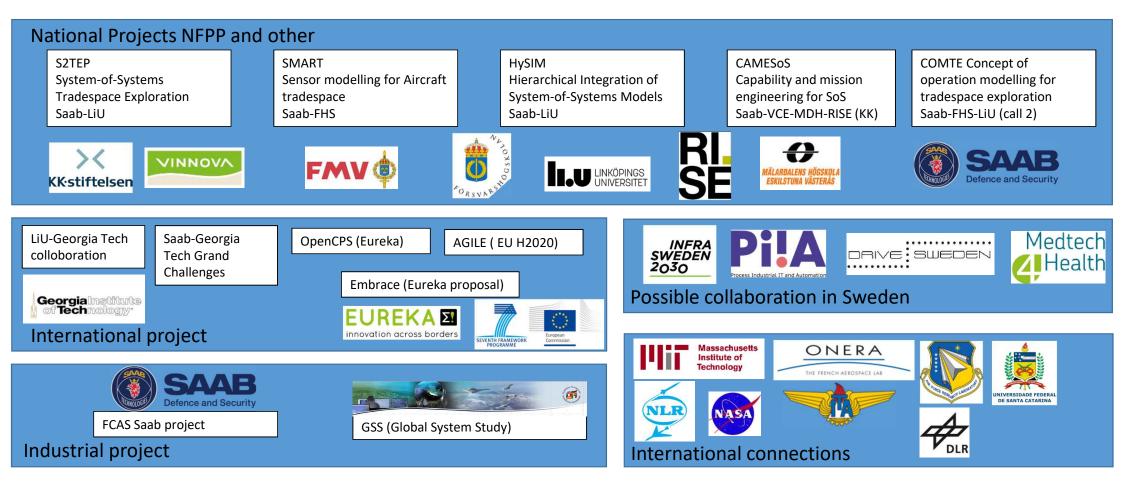




Analysis and Exploration of Generalized Systems of systems



CLUSTER NETWORK



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