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Approach proposition for automatic simulation models selection based on their representativity levels

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Introduction





- CYBER PHYSICAL SYSTEMS (VEHICLES) ARE INCREASINGLY COMPLEX TO BUILD AND MAINTAIN ON BOTH CYBER/SOFTWARE AND PHYSICAL/HARDWARE LEVELS.
- EXPERIMENTING AND ANALYSING ONLY PHYSICAL PROTOTYPES IS UNFEASIBLE (COST, TIME, RESOURCES).
- SIMULATION-BASED APPROACHES ARE ESSENTIEL FOR DEVELOPING AND TESTING SYSTEMS BEFORE USING PHYSICAL PROTOTYPES.
- A COMPLEX SYSTEM IS DIVIDED INTO SUB-SYSTEMS THAT ARE MODELED.



Problematic

For a simulation experiment:

- **DEFINE THE SIMULATION NEED/REQUEST**
- **BUILD THE SIMULATION PLATFORM:** SIMULATION ARCHITECTURE FROM MBSE (MODEL BASED SYSTEM ENGINEERING)
- CONDUCT THE SIMULATION AND EVALUATE IT

OUR QUESTION HOW TO CHOOSE THE RIGHT MODELS? TO ANSWER THIS SIMULATION NEED





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MATURITY:

IS THE DIGITAL/NUMERICAL METHODOLOGY FOLLOWED READY TO A CERTAIN POINT THAT IT CAN BE USED ENTIRELY WITHOUT HAVING PHYSICAL TRIES?

VALIDITY:

ARE THE SIMULATION RESULTS WELL CORRELATED WITH THE REAL-WORLD SYSTEM RESULTS ACCORDING TO A PROPERTY OF INTEREST?

REPRESENTATIVITY:

DOES THE MODEL CAPTURE ALL THE REAL-WORLD SYSTEM PROPERTIES. AND CAN HAVE THE REAL SYSTEM BEHAVIOR?

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INSPIRED BY NASA CREDIBILITY ASSESSMENT SCALE (CAS)

EXAMPLE:

	Category	Behavior Simulation	Climate Representation	Food preferences		
Levels	Level 3	The penguin model waddles and slides on its belly, as in real life	The model places the penguin in cold, sub-zero temperatures	The penguin model only eats fish, as expected in reality	Categorie	
	Level 2	The penguin model waddles, but sometimes flies	The model places the penguin in cool, but not freezing conditions	The penguin model eats both fish and berries		
	Level 1	The penguin model barks like a dog	The model places the penguin in tropical temperatures	The penguin model prefers cat food		

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Factor	Functions	Code	Interfaces	Completeness	Experts Review	Developer	Use History
	coverage	Verification	existence	Complexity level		confidence	
	1 Development Evidence		Complexity level	2 Supporting Evidence			
Level							
Level 3	All required	No numerical	The exact number	Model is	Extensive experience	Advanced	Model used with
	functions are	error to small	of interfaces exist	predictive	in this M&S domain		successful simulation
	covered in	errors	and are typed				results multiple times
	the model		correctly				
	with all						
	parameters in						
	consideration						
Level 2	All required	Formal	Extra interfaces	Model is	Formal experience in	Intermediate	Model used with
	functions are	numerical	exist and are	comparative	this M&S domain		successful simulation
	covered in	errors	typed correctly				results one time
	the model	estimation					
Level 1	Some	Model passes	Not all interfaces	Model in	Expert in another M&S	Beginner	Model used with
	required	some tests with	exist	development	domain		unsuccessful
	functions are	modification					simulation results
	missing from	need					
	the model						
Level 0	Insufficient	Insufficient	Insufficient	Insufficient	No review	Not Confident	Model was never used
	Evidence	Evidence	Evidence	Evidence			

3 Performance Evidence : Resources, time



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RAS + Goal Claim network



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Conclusion & Future Steps

- TEST & EVALUATE THE APPROACH ON AN EXAMPLE USING AADL (ARCHITECTURE ANALYSIS AND DESIGN LANGUAGE) AND ALISA (ARCHITECTURE LED INCREMENTAL SYSTEM ASSURANCE)
- IMPROVE THE SIMULATION ARCHITECTURES
- BUILD PRECISE SIMULATION PLATFORMS THAT ARE NOT OVER-DIMENSIONED OR UNDER-DIMENSIONED
- GIVE MORE ACCURATE RESULTS CLOSER TO REAL WORLD RESULTS
- PREVENT TIME LOSS.



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