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Requirements Specification Tool for Safety Critical Systems based upon Linked Data



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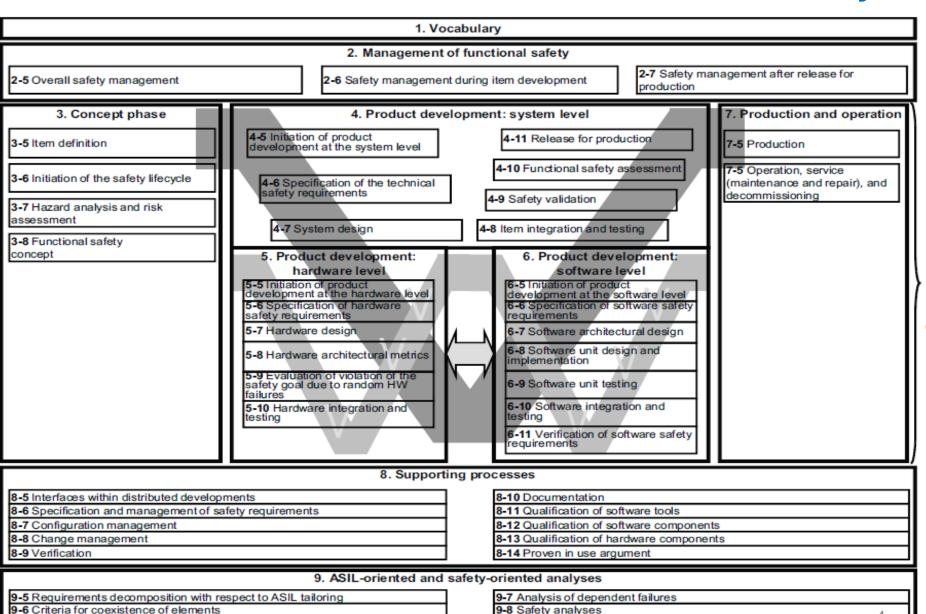


- 40000 employees
- Company in VW Group (Heavy Vehicles)
- In-house development
- Embedded systems development: 500+
- The product: a "truck" in many versions and configurations
- Continuous development and integration
- Agile and lean

The Current Challenges

- Complexity
 - More functions
 - Connectivity
 - ADAS and Autonomous Vehicles
 - Variants
- Competition
 - Faster
 - More efficient development
- Functional safety standard ISO 26262

ISO26262 Road Vehicles Functional Safety



Guideline on ISO 26262 (informative)

- Specification of requirements is a cornerstone in ISO26262,
- ...but one of the most challenging tasks!



Project (KTH + Scania):

- How can we build a tool that
- ...gives maximum support to the user, when
- ...writing requirements specifications according to ISO26262?

Digitalization Vision

Digitalized Development

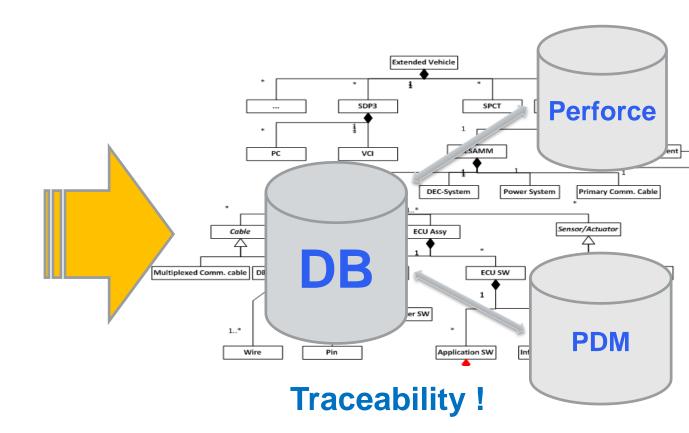
- automatized generation of "safety case"
- automatized generation of single artefacts, e.g. FMEA, sequence charts
- automatized checks/verification
- efficient information/documentation management
- increased product quality
- increased development speed
- less engineering hours
- ability to change the product!

Survival!



From Informal Documents to Machine Readable and Integrated Data

- emails
- Microsoft Word
- Microsoft Excel
- JIRA



SESAMM Specifier - Key Capabilities

- focus on the task of requirements specification
- support agile and dynamic working environments => user friendly
- formal references to any Linked Data object
- whole range of requirements notation: informal, semi-formal, formal
- contracts based requirements traceability
- detailed variability
- automatic verification with live feedback
- automated fill-in

Unique features

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ISO 26262 and Requirements Engineering

The Core of ISO26262

Hazard identification



Requirements

Architecture



Requirements

Architecture



ASIL (Automotive Safety Integrity Level) is an attribute of requirements!

Design

Requirements Engineering in ISO26262

- ... is the core,
- but ISO26262 introduces new concepts:
 - main role of requirements is to identify safety critical properties
 ⇒ requirements are safety critical artefacts!
 - ASIL violation of requirements is accepted
 - requirements brakedown traceability (four levels!)
 - tight interplay between requirements and architecture
 - semi-formal notation for ASIL C and D requirements

Requirements Notation and Verification according to ISO26262

Table 1 — Specifying safety requirements

	Methods		ASIL				
			В	C	D		
1a	Informal notations for requirements specification ^{a, b}	++	++	+	+		
1b	Semi-formal notations for requirements specification a, b, c, d	+	+	++	++		
1c	Formal notations for requirements specification ^a	+	+	+	+		

Table 2 — Methods for the verification of safety requirements

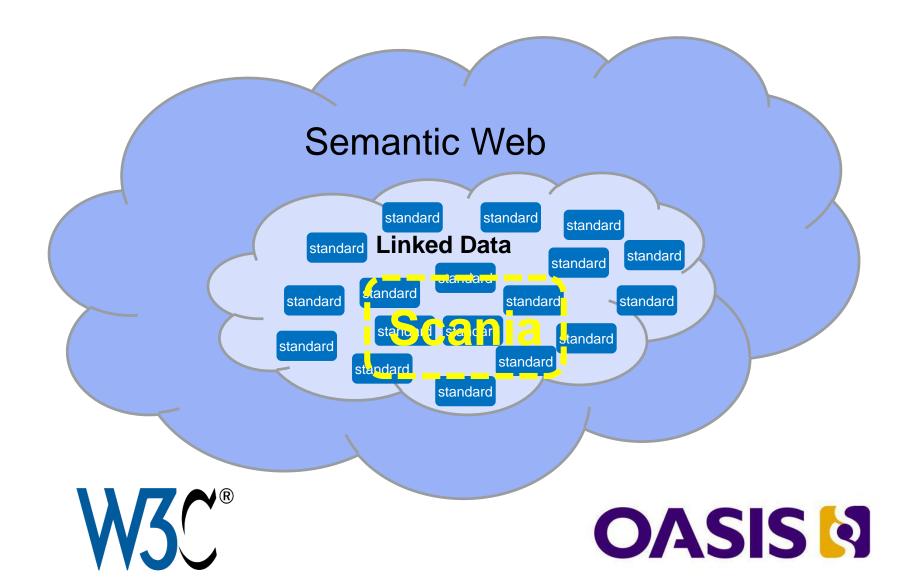
	Methods		ASIL				
			В	С	D		
1a	Verification by walk-through	++	+	0	0		
1b	Verification by inspection	+	++	++	++		
1c	Semi-formal verification ^a	+	+	++	++		
1d	Formal verification	0	+	+	+		

State-of-Practice of Requirements Engineering in Automotive Electrical Systems Development

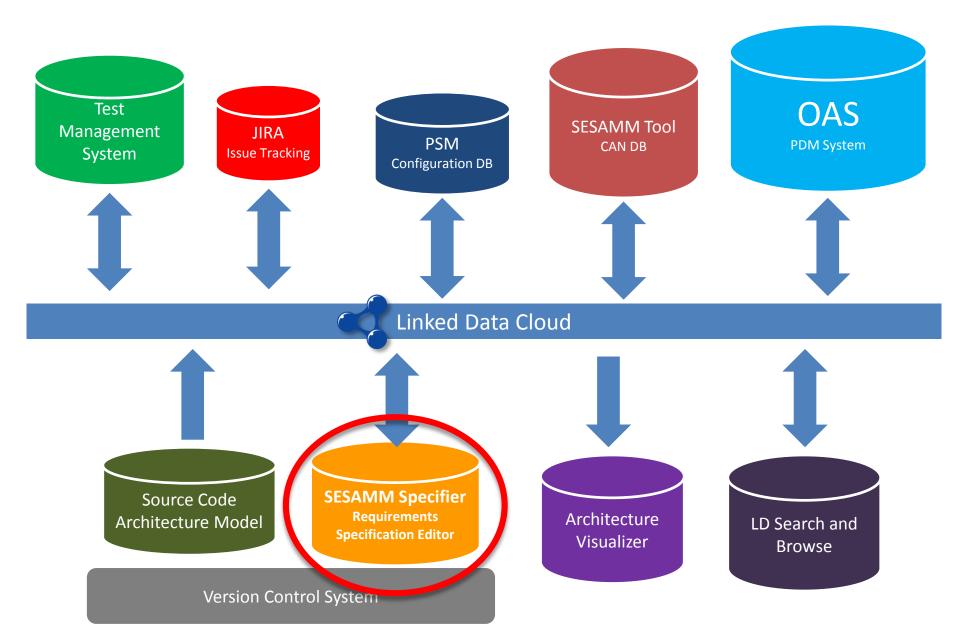
- Maturity is in general low
- Quality of requirements is in general bad
- ...and is accepted to be bad
- Engineers (and managers) are not very enthuiastic about writing requirements
- Traceability is often not applied
- ...since in house-development of components is not as common,
- ...and is considered to be one-of or the (!) biggest challenge with ISO26262
- Good tool chains are rare
- Increased interest in formal specification and verification of requirements

Linked Data

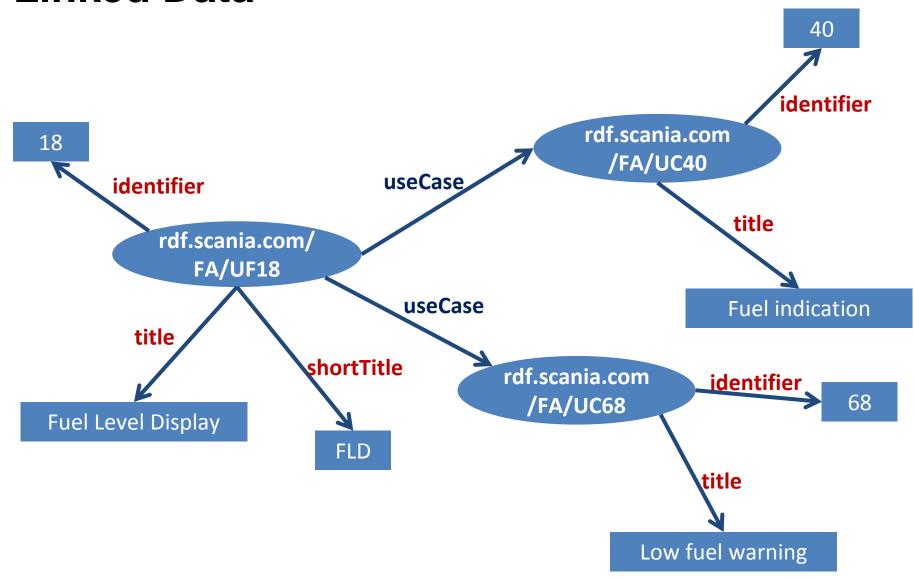
Linked Data



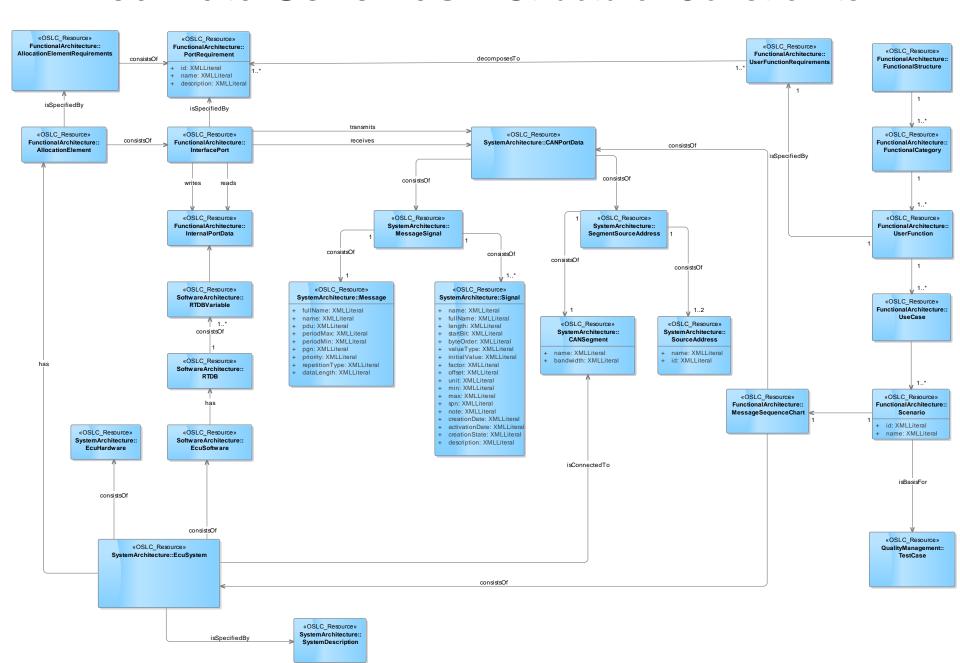
Tool Chain Architecture based on Linked Data



Linked Data



Linked Data Schemas = Structural Constraints



Linked Data for Tool Interoperability

- Standardized in OSLC from OASIS
- Used by IBM since 2007 in the Jazz platform (their ALM product suite)
- Used by major companies to integrate tools, e.g. Ericsson, VW
- Direction for PTC, Siemens, ...

Contracts Theory

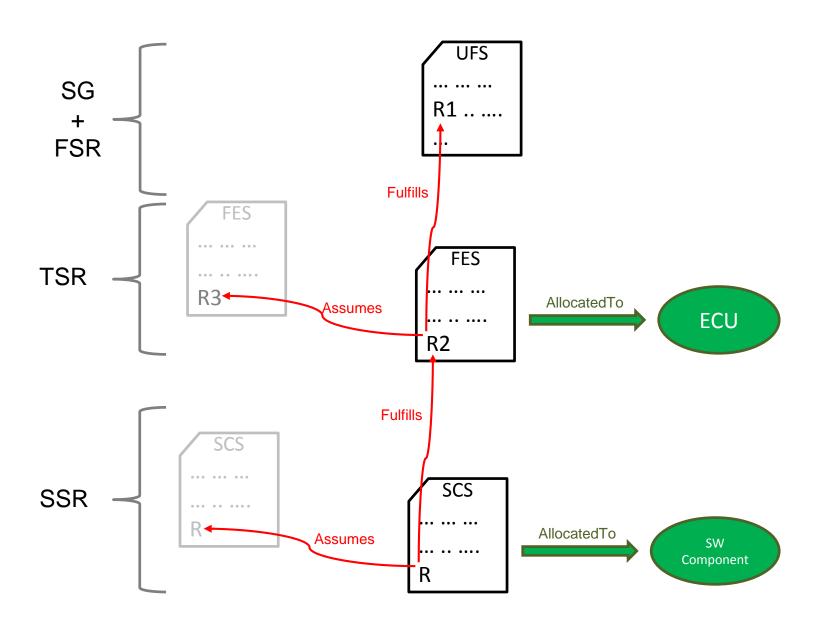
(= Requirements Specification and Traceability Theory)

Contracts Theory

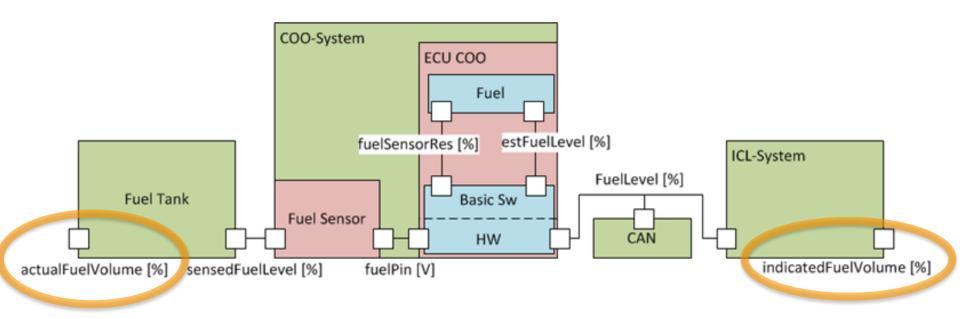
- Structure requirements into Assumptions and Guarantees
- Allocate requirements to elements in the Architecture

- "Design by Contract" Introduced by Meyer (≈1990)
- Specifications for software components
 - Assume-Guarantee reasoning (60's)
- EU-project SPEEDS: Extension to cyber physical systems

Requirements Tracing as "Contracts"

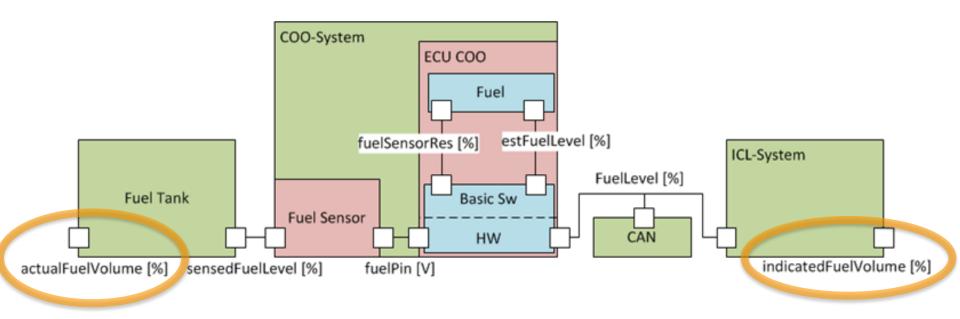


Requirements are relations between "ports" in the architecture



The indicated fuel volume must equal the actual fuel volume.

Requirements are relations between properties in the architecture



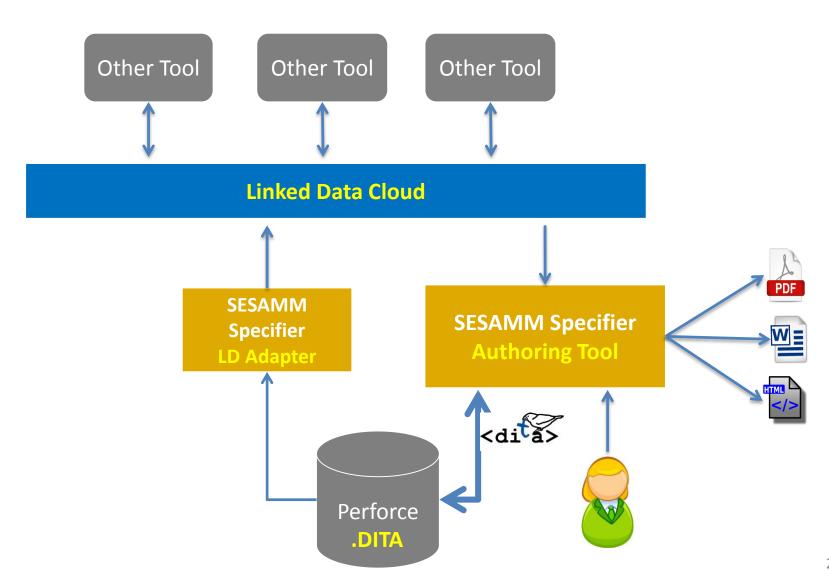
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indicatedFuelVolume Must equal actualFuelVolume.

Variability

SESAMM Specifier



Demo of SESAMM Specifier

Also during lunch by PhD Jonas Westman (KTH/Scania).

Summary

- Functional Safety (ISO26262) is a major challenge for automotive industry.
- Safety requirements is the core of ISO26262,
- but maturity is low and
- better tools are needed.
- Espresso project (KTH+Scania) has developed a requirements specification tool, with
- unique features:
 - strong integration with Linked Data
 - support for all three requirements notations
 - automatic verification with live feedback
 - detailed variability

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