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TOWARDS BUILDING REUSABILITY IN CONTROL SYSTEMS – A JOURNEY

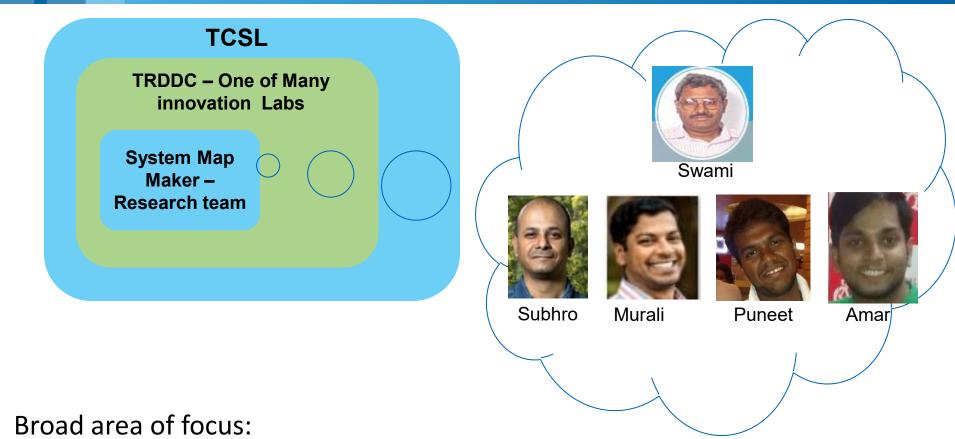
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Talk - Overview

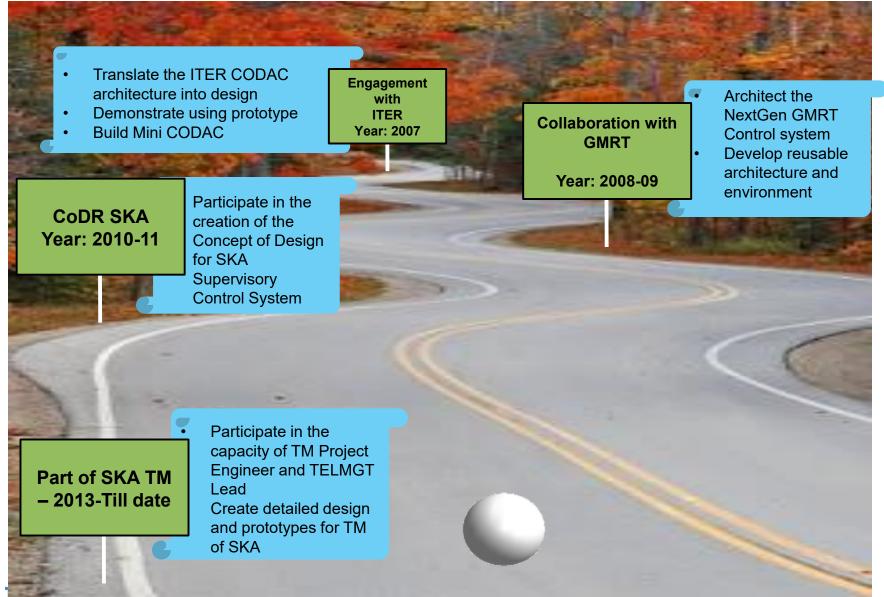
- Brief about who we are
- Challenges and opportunities
 - Towards reusability
- Specific problem areas
 - Reuse across all phases of development lifecycle
 - Solution approach MDE approach with a focus on knowledge reuse
- Conclusion
 - Where are we going with this towards knowledge based systems

Who we are – System Map Maker



- Integrated family of models that capture all the systems engineering information related to a particular system
 - Work out information architecture to facilitate System Engineering

Collaborations - Control systems



Key observation – Opportunity/Motivation

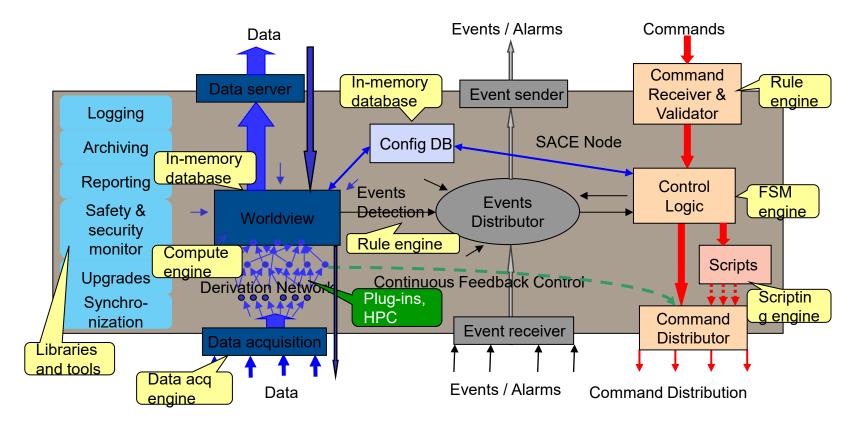
- Very robust solutions available for reuse for the purpose of implementation
 - EPICS, TANGO, ACS and so on
- Challenges and areas of opportunities
 - Significant amount of time spent in the early design life cycle
 - \circ E.g. ~ 3 years to design TM
 - Each project recreate the design thinking from scratch and reinvent common M&C concerns, requirements, solution concepts and so on.
 - Usage of SysML does help communicate better, but still falls short on the reusability aspect !
 - Much of the knowledge reside with the domain experts

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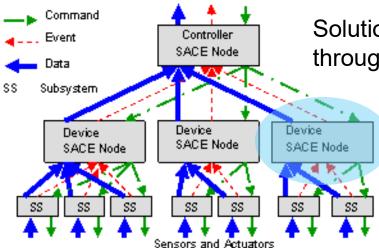


Independent of implementation technology, Retargetable to multiple off the shelf options Completely Data Driven

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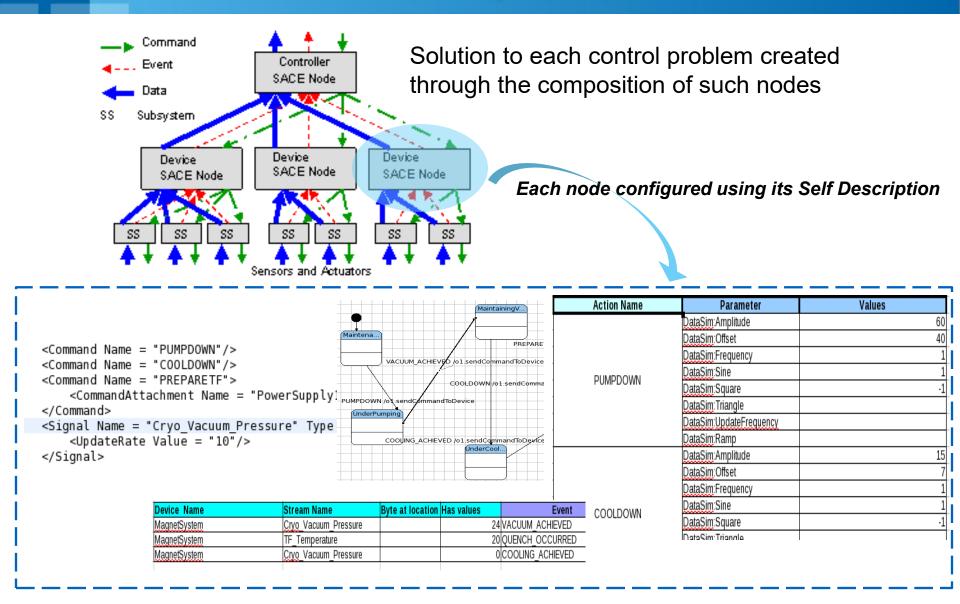
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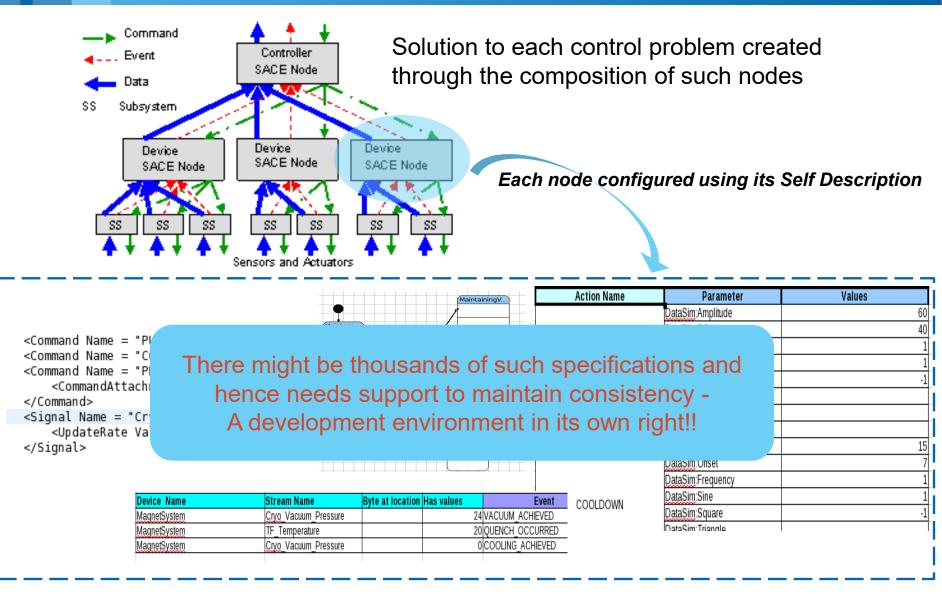


Solution to each control problem created through the composition of such nodes

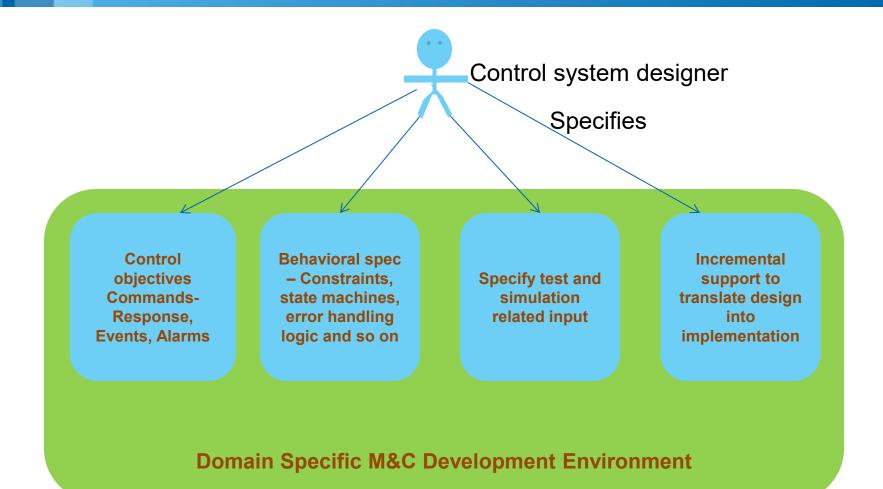
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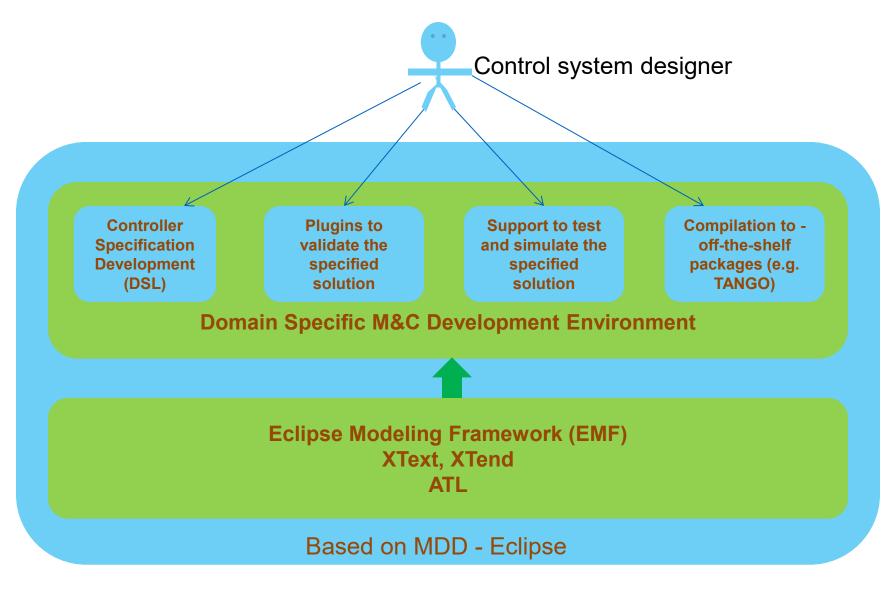
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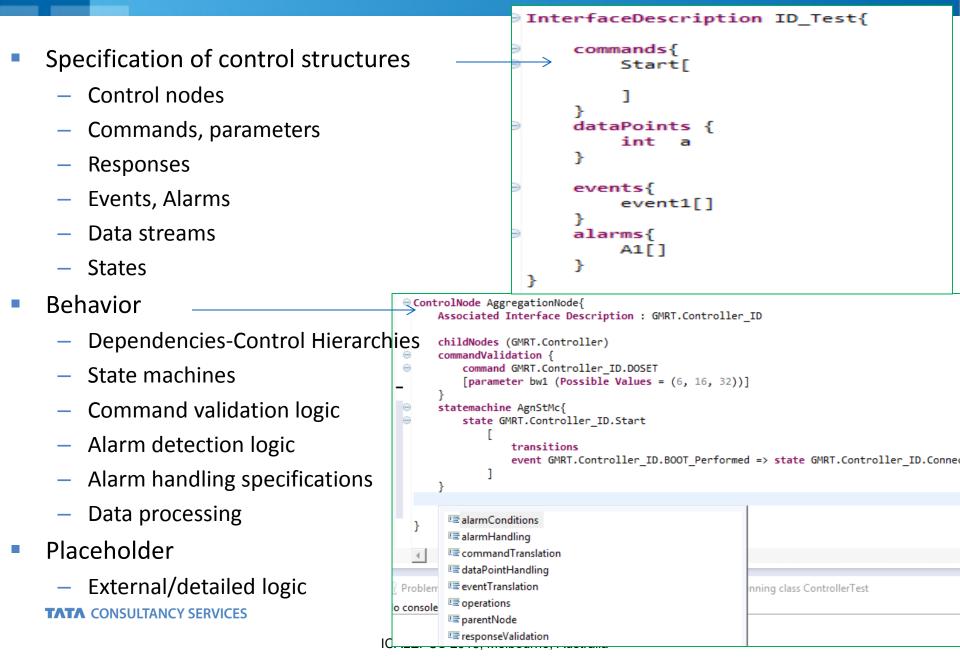
Architecting Environment – Domain Driven Engineering

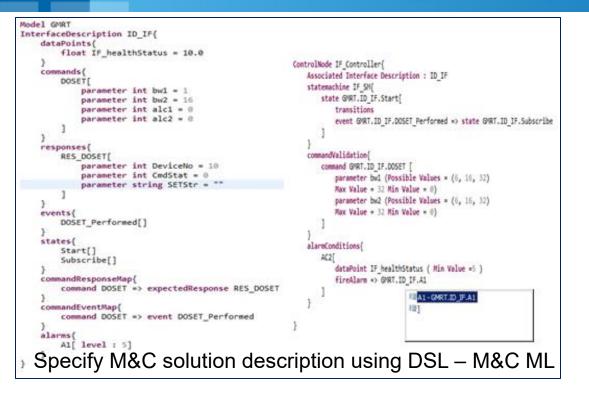


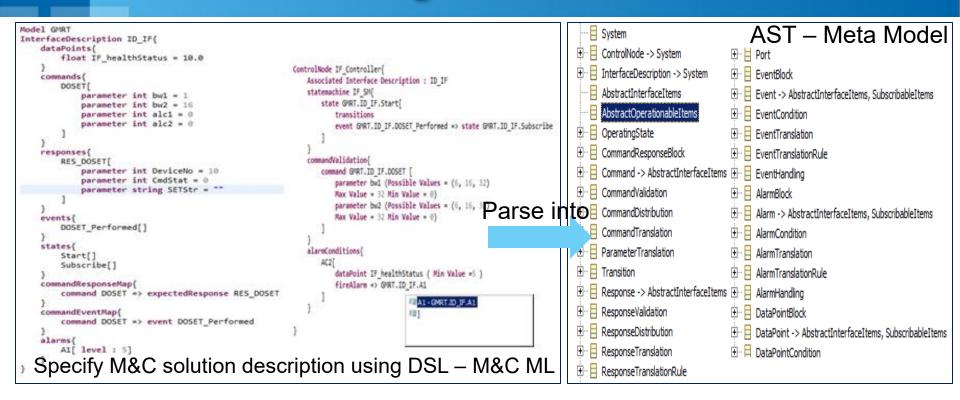
M&C Architecting Environment –Implementation

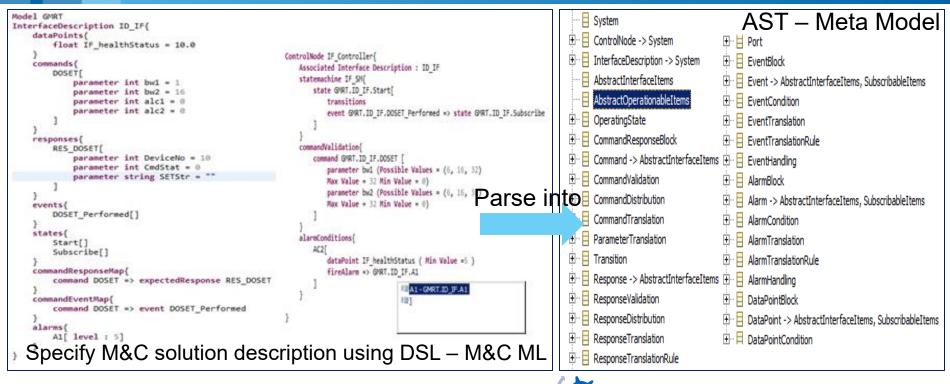


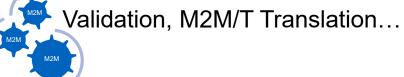
Areas covered in the DSL as of now

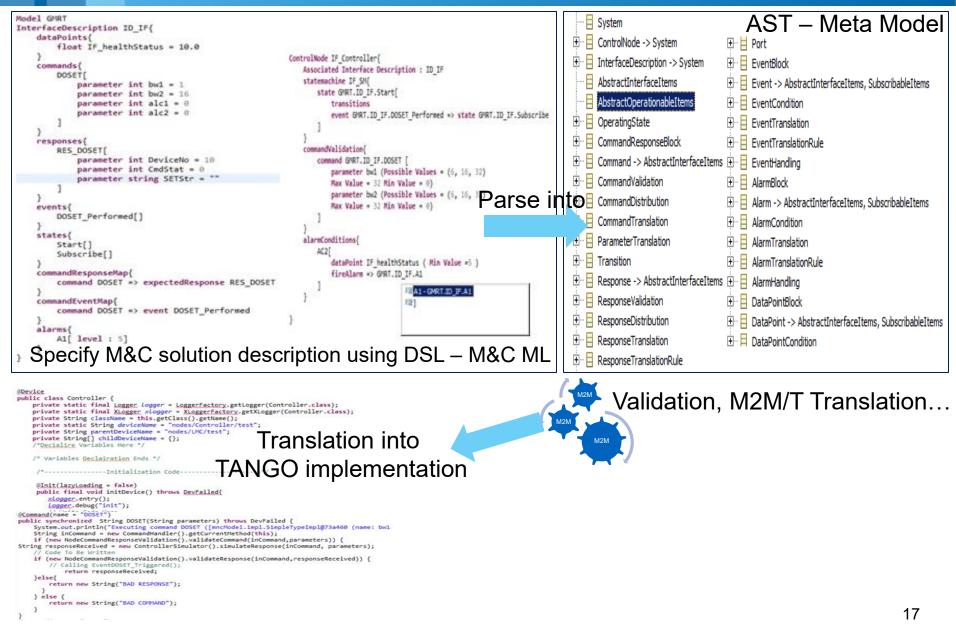


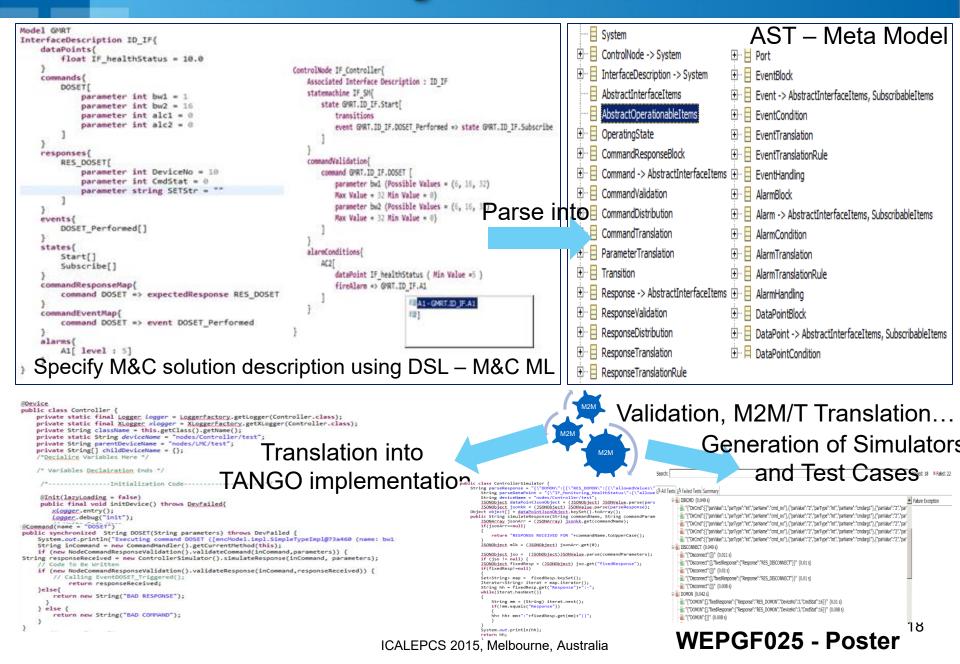












Factors influencing DSL design

Key drivers to the DSL design

- Important to understand the stakeholder concerns
 - In our case M&C designers
 - Leave out the details of the application domain (e.g. Astronomy), projects specifics
- Understanding and extracting key concerns from the domain
 - Important input is the vocabulary using while specifying M&C design
- Capturing the underlying architecture pattern
 - SACE suggests a strict hierarchical
 - Hence the flow of the DSL reflects the same
 - However, cant be applied to other patterns, such as Agent based systems
- Decoupling the meta-modeling from the grammar definition
 - Capture the domain concerns in a structured form with relations
 - Don't worry about the language syntax while doing so
- Careful analysis of the user intuitions for language syntax definition
 - Can be based on the combination of functional building blocks and architecture flows
- Extensibility
 - Support for incremental domain specific validations
 - Incremental addition of concepts (e.g. Radio telescope) and separation of concerns

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Future direction – knowledge based engineering environment and conclusion

• We plan to try this our for uGMRT, SKA

- Such an environment is a stepping stone towards identification of domain models and capturing of knowledge –
 - Technical domain such as M&C, Networks, Security and so on
 - Application domain such as Radio astronomy Nuclear fusion
- Learnings can be used to build similar domain environment or contribute towards general capability such as SysML and so on.

Thank You!