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Model-based Digital Engineering Data Fusion

Concepts, methodology, value

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DoD Digital Engineering Strategy

The strategy promotes the use of digital representations of systems and components and the use of digital artifacts to **design and sustain national defense systems**.

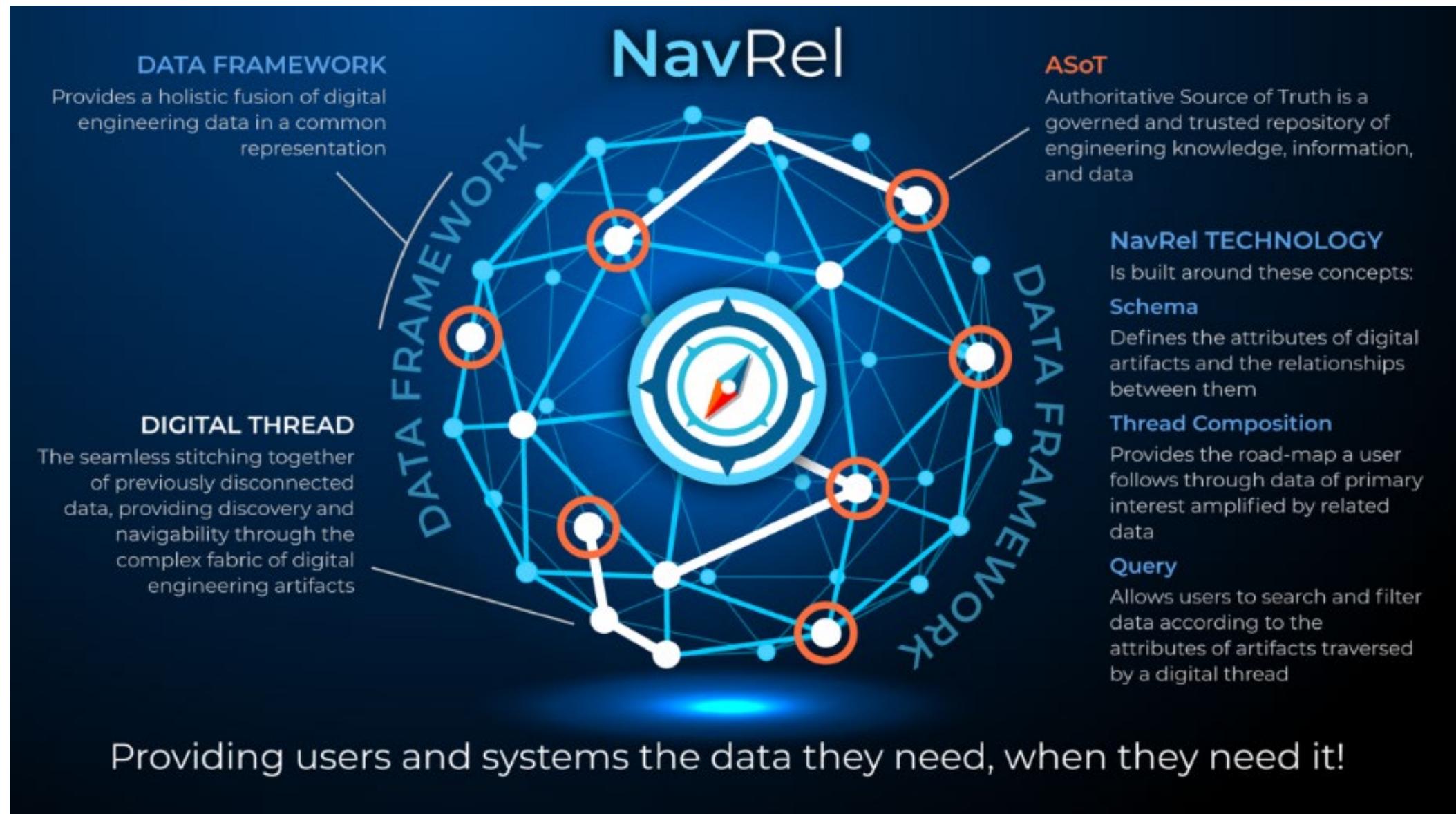
The department's five strategic goals for digital engineering are:

- Formalize the development, integration, and use of models to inform enterprise and program decision making
- Provide an enduring, authoritative source of truth
- Incorporate technological innovation to improve the engineering practice
- Establish a supporting infrastructure and environment to perform activities, collaborate and communicate across stakeholders
- Transform the culture and workforce to adopt and support digital engineering across the lifecycle



How many sources of truth exist in a single model of 1 national defense system?

(a) 1 (b) 100 (c) 1,000 (d) 1,000,000

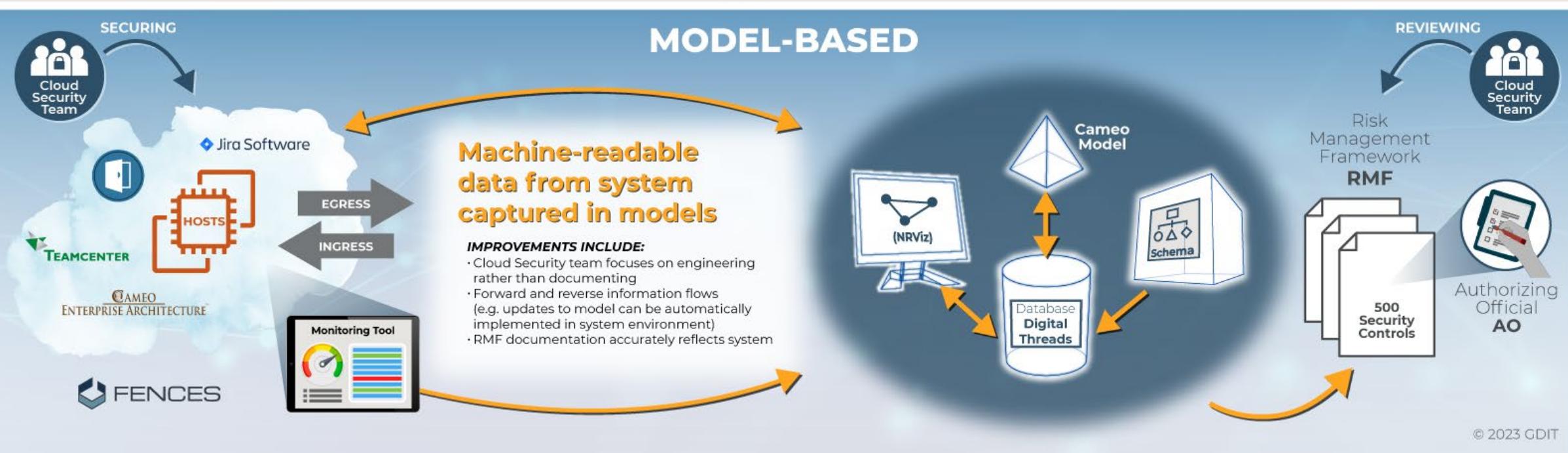


Continuous Monitoring of RMF Controls

DOCUMENT-BASED



MODEL-BASED



Requirements Verification

DOCUMENT BASED



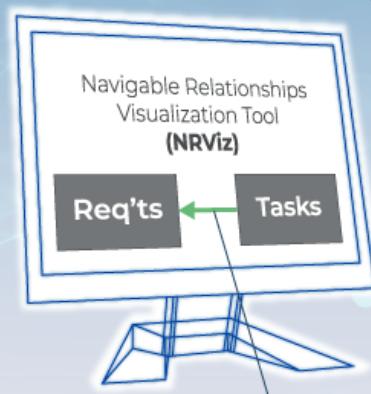
Manually Updating a Spreadsheet
Lacks Traceability!

OTHER CHALLENGES INCLUDED:

- Lacks version control
- Inefficiency in meetings
- Disparate data types and fields
- No digital navigability to source
- Unreliable Quality of information



NAVREL ENABLED



A USG User performs their work by simply drawing an arrow to the Requirements within the tool, thereby *automating its traceability*.

FILTER
UPDATE



AUTOMATED TRACEABILITY!

IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDED:

- Includes version control
- Efficiency in meetings
- Like data types and fields
- Digital navigability to source
- Reliable Quality of information



Model-Driven Testing

MANUAL INSPECTION



Manual Inspection of Pass/Fail Result
Lacks Traceability!

OTHER CHALLENGES INCLUDED:

- Version control
- No digital navigability to source
- Quality of information: not reliable
- Relies on human subjectivity



AUTOMATED MODEL-DRIVEN TESTING



AUTOMATED TRACEABILITY!

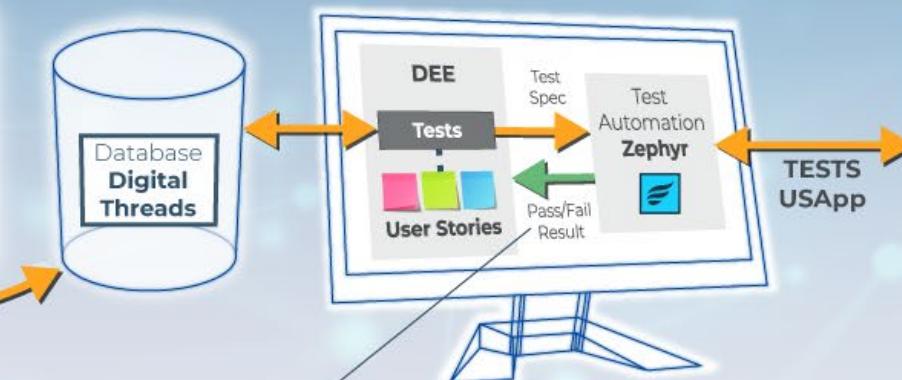
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TEST SPECS



This is an *automated pass / fail result* generated from the USApp that was previously done via manual inspection.



Jira Software

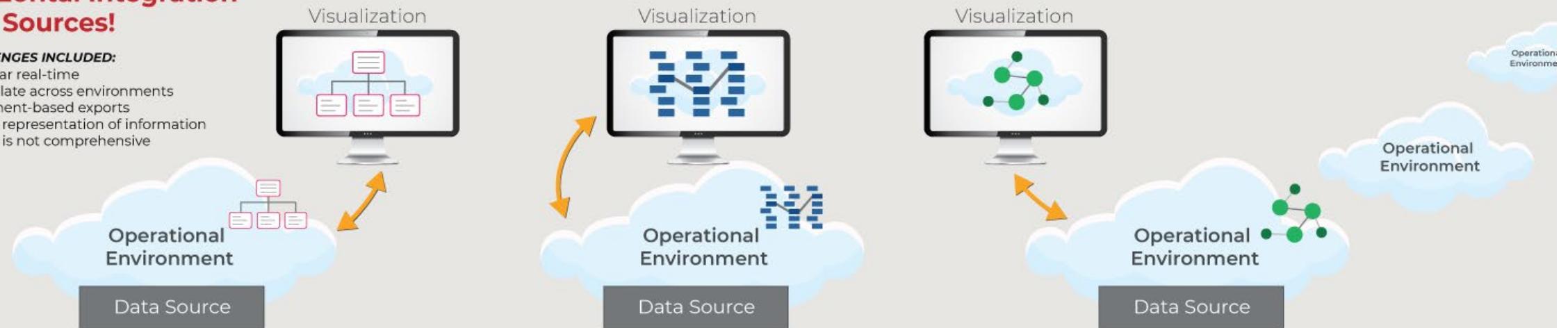


Common Visualization

No Horizontal Integration of Data Sources!

OTHER CHALLENGES INCLUDED:

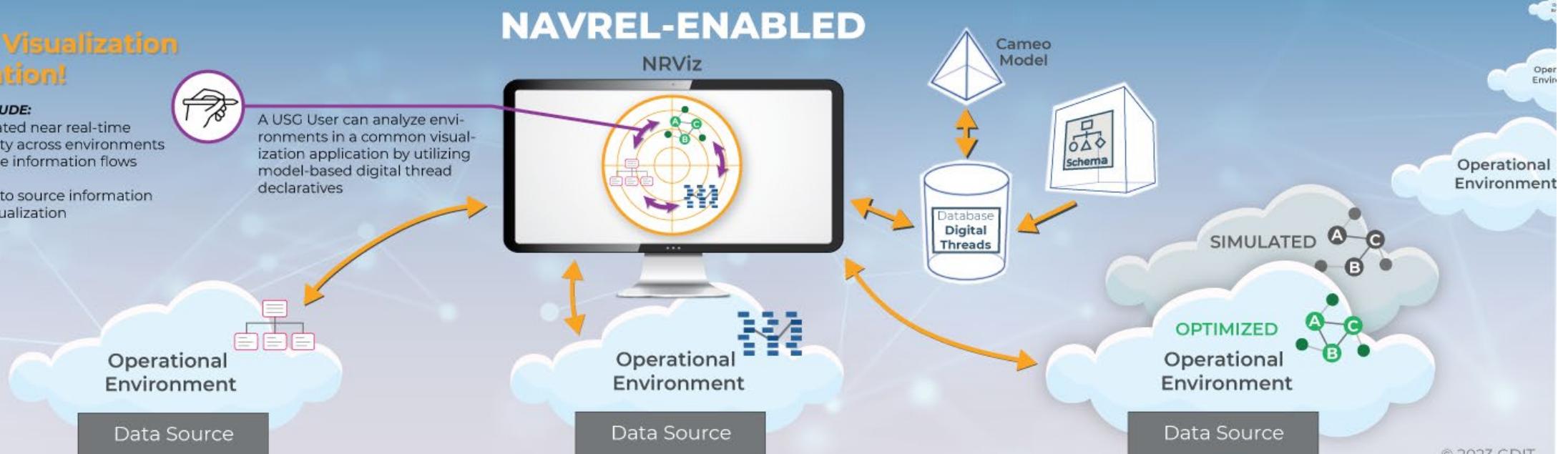
- Often not near real-time
- Cannot simulate across environments
- Often document-based exports
- No common representation of information
- Visualization is not comprehensive

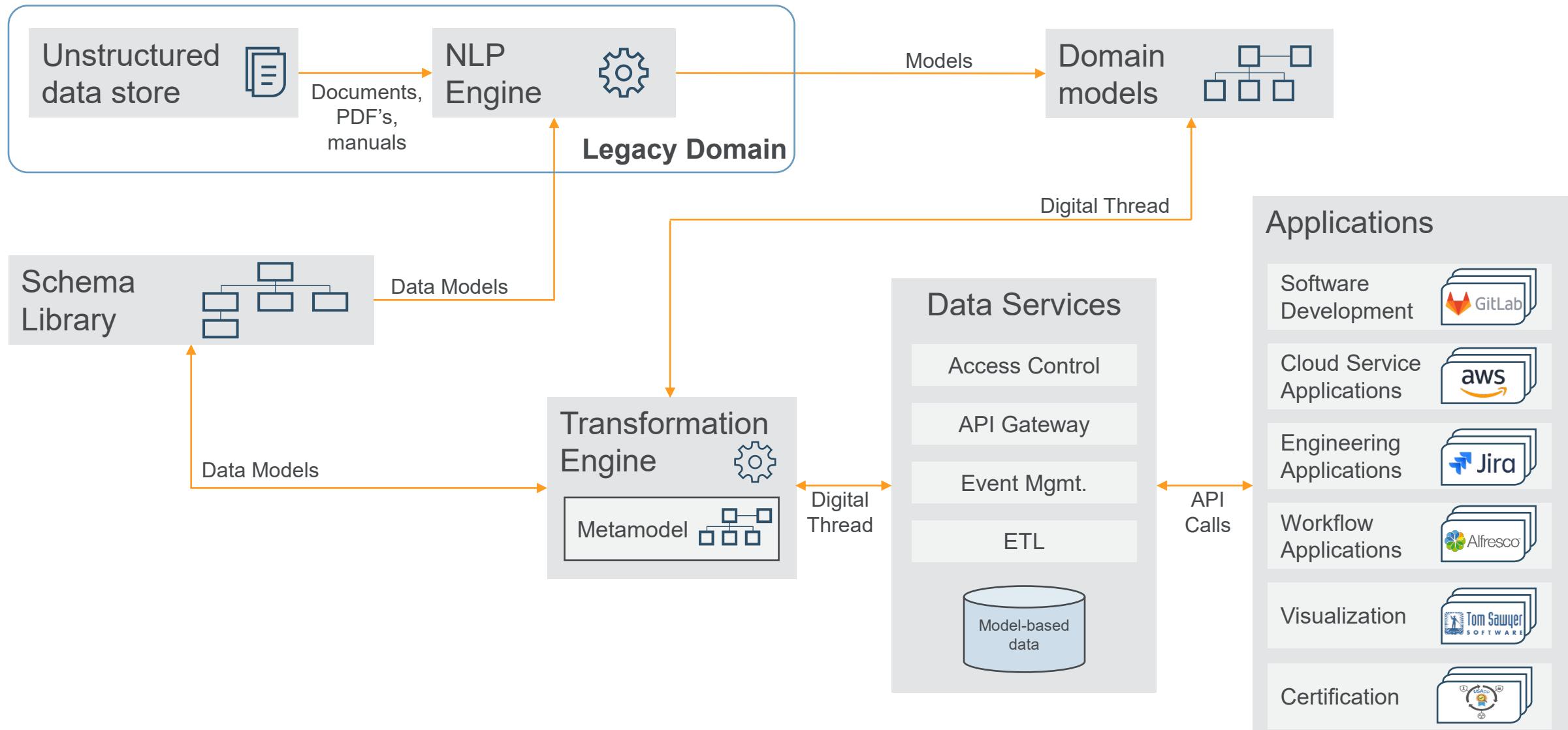


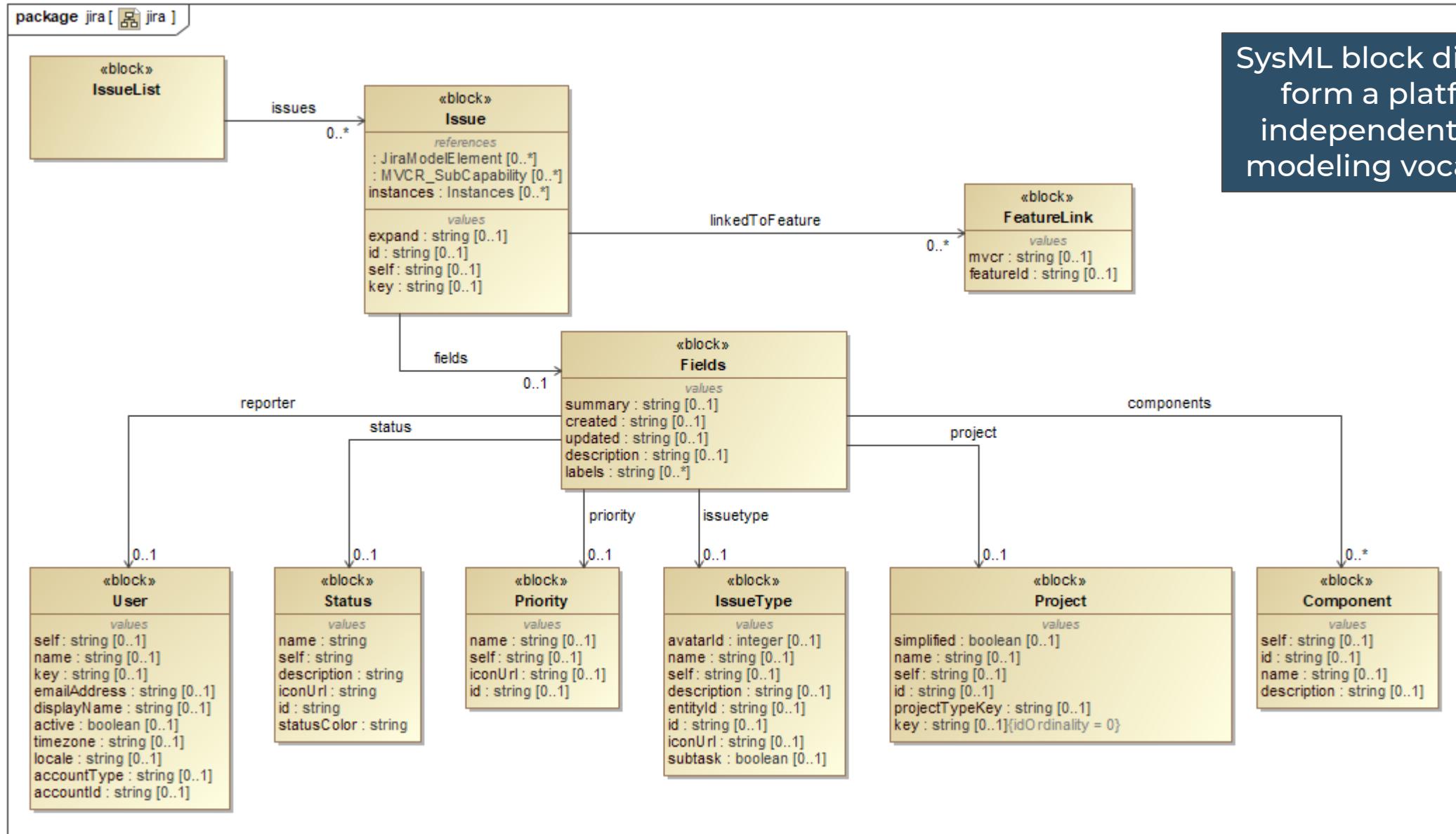
Integrated Visualization and Simulation!

IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDE:

- Data changes updated near real-time
- Simulation capability across environments
- Forward and reverse information flows
- Version control
- Digital navigability to source information
- Comprehensive visualization

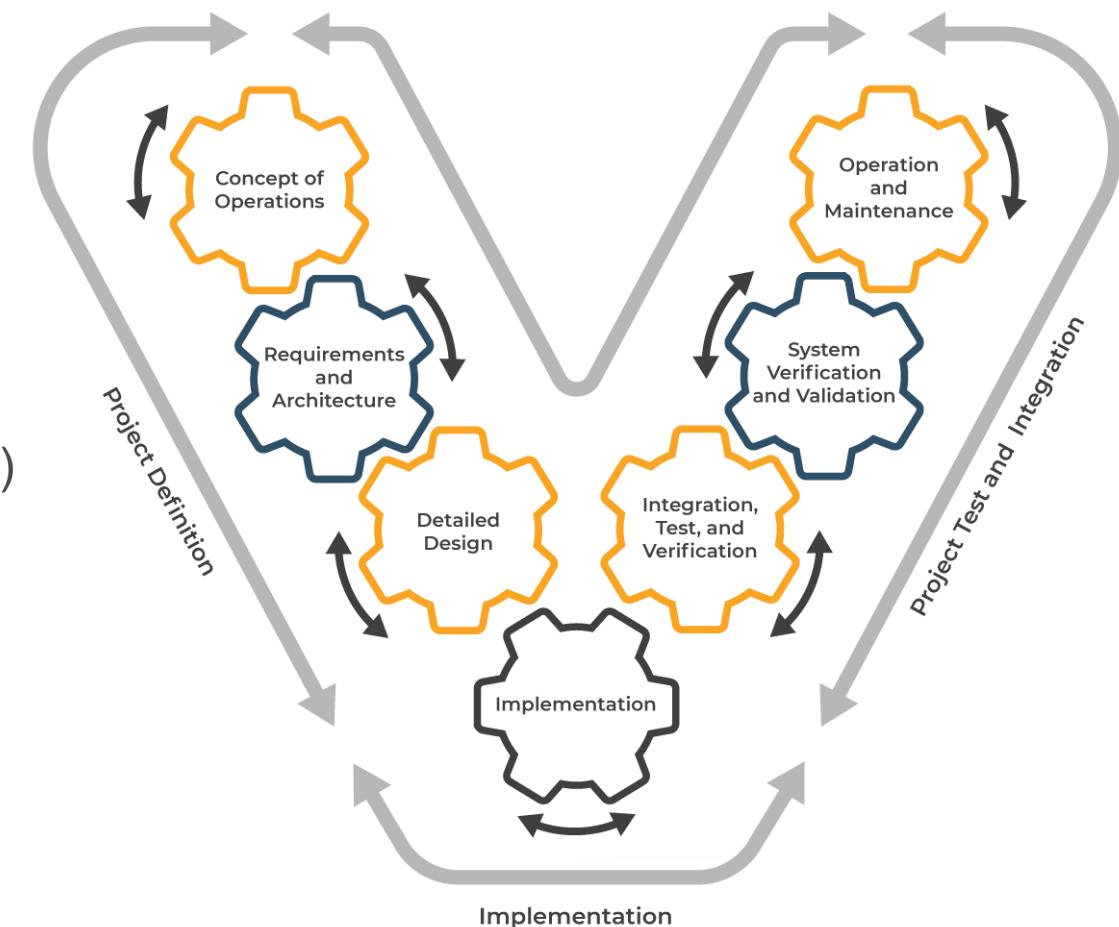


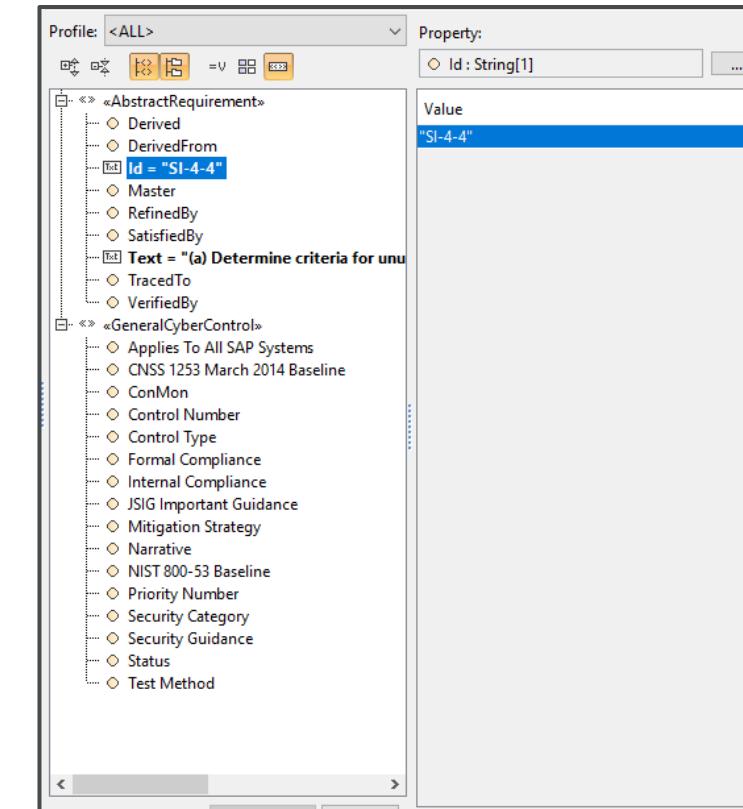
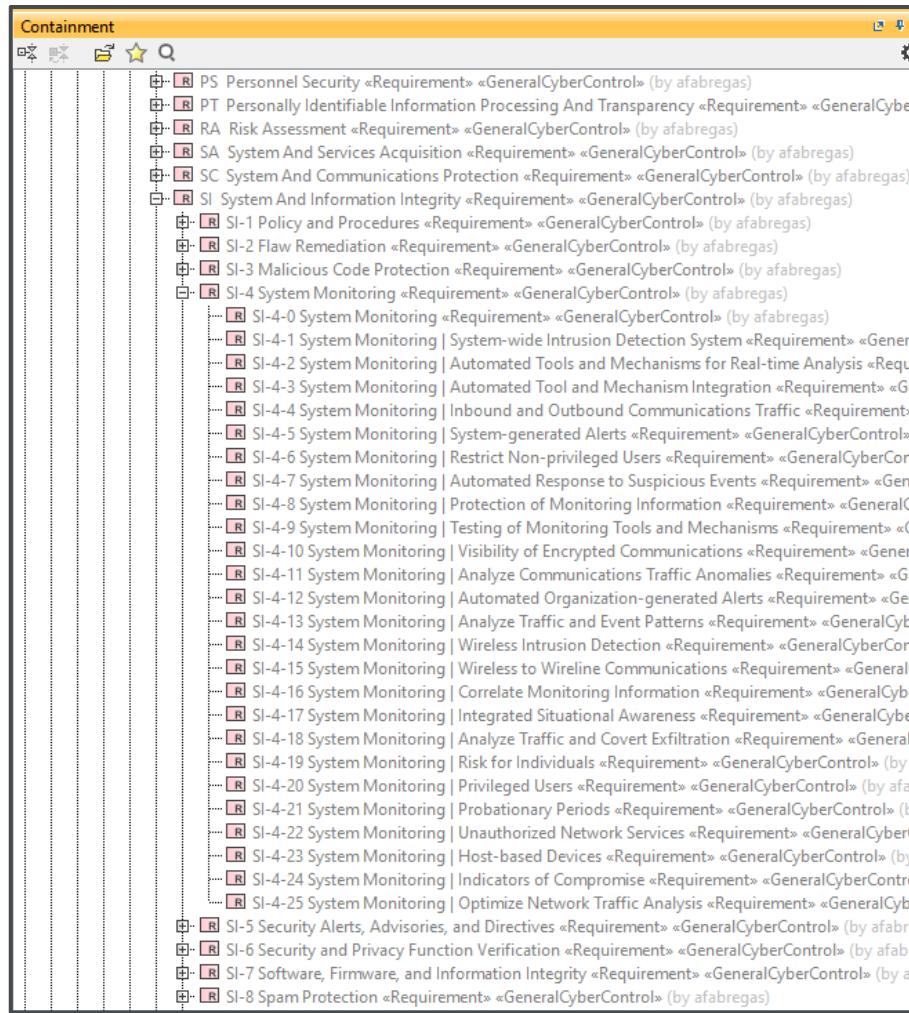




SysML block diagrams
form a platform-
independent visual
modeling vocabulary

- Model-based cyber control family library
- Logical modeling of cyber controls
- System requirements
- Logical Architecture
- Automated model creation from solution environment
 - Host information from cloud environment (AWS)
 - Project management information from ALM tool (Jira)
- Satisfaction of requirements with dashboard
- Platform-independent visualization



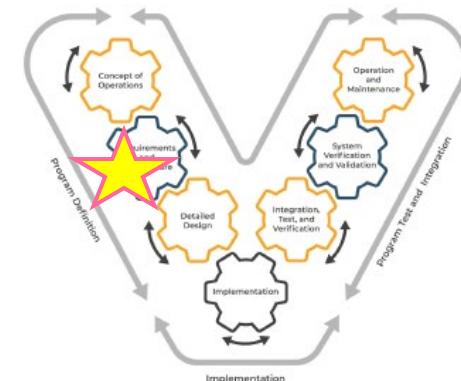


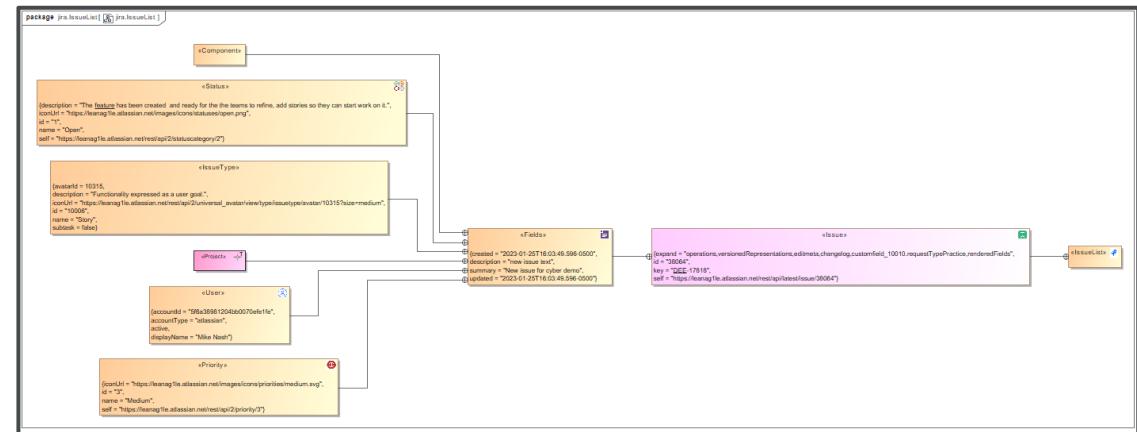
- Imported from NIST 800-53 standard

- Applied a cyber control profile to detail additional properties during system design

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1	18.1	System Monitoring Probationary Periods	Implement the following additional monitoring of individuals during [Assignment: organization-defined probationary period]: [Assignment: organization-defined additional monitoring].	Planned	Process	P1
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4	18.4	System Monitoring Restrict Non-privileged Users	Withdrawn: incorporated into AC-6(10).	Tailored-Out	Technology	P3
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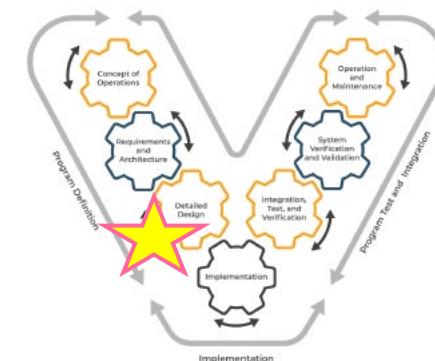
- System design-time considerations applied to the cyber controls model
 - System categorization
 - Control applicability
 - Implementation type
 - Prioritization

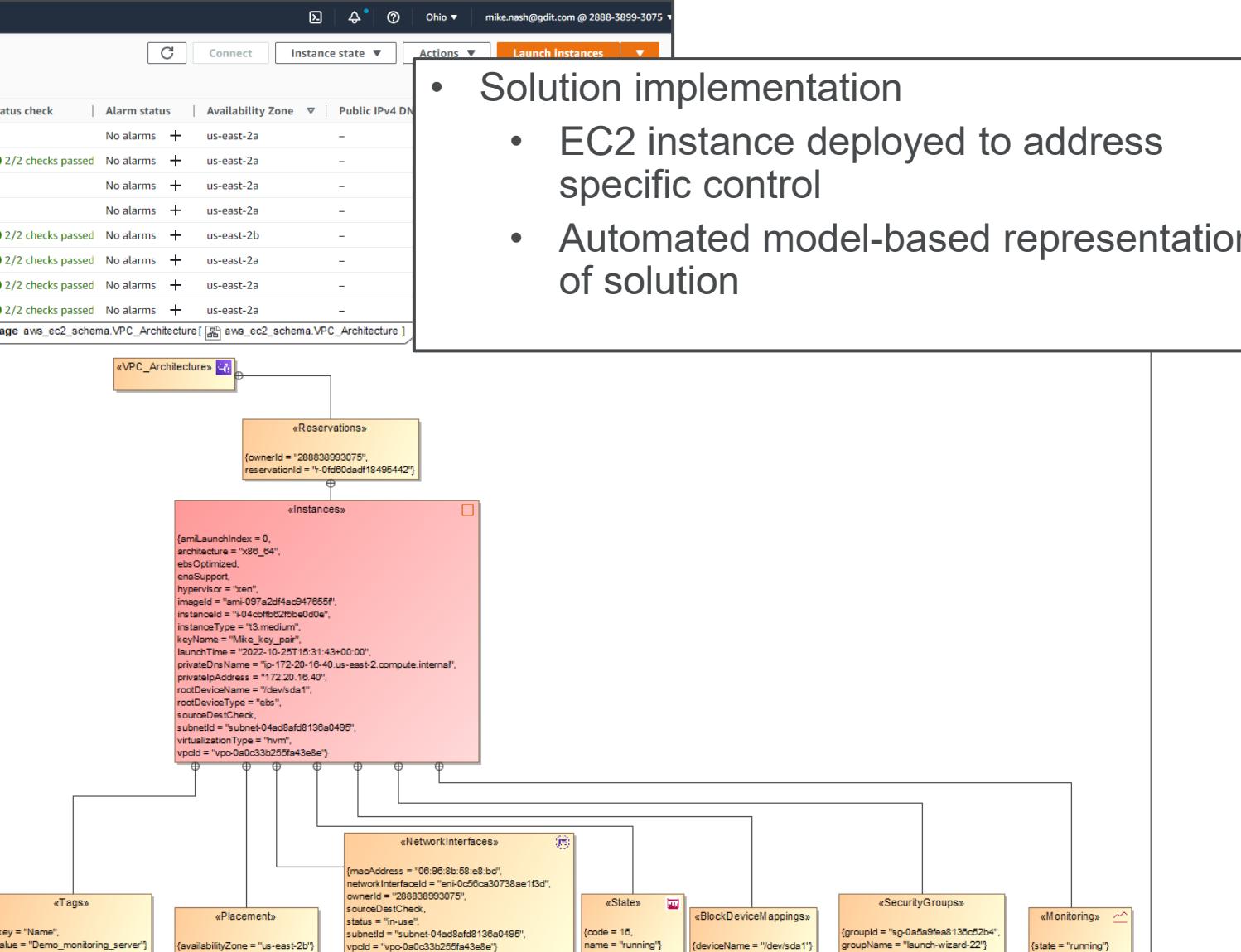




- Begin implementation of system to address control(s)
 - Who will perform the work?
 - Description of work to be performed
 - When will it be performed?
 - Status of work to be performed

- Automated model-based representation of design





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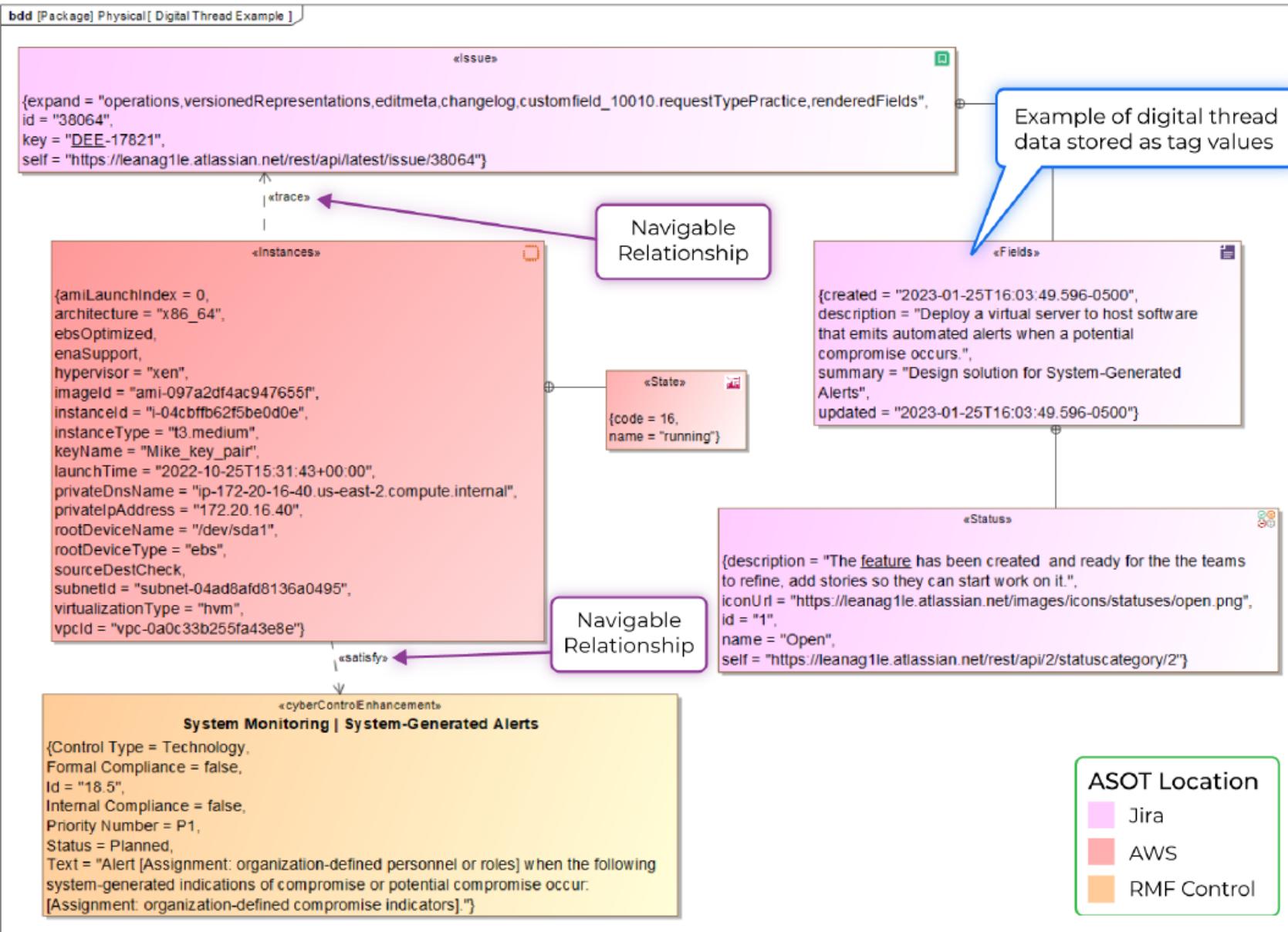
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    }
    class Instances {
        amiLaunchIndex = 0
        architecture = "x86_64"
        ebsOptimized
        eniSupport
        hypervisor = "xen"
        imageId = "ami-097a2df4ac947656f"
        instanceId = "i-04abbb7f170da8365"
        instanceType = "t2.medium"
        keyName = "Mike_key_pair"
        launchTime = "2022-10-25T15:31:43+00:00"
        privateDnsName = "ip-172-20-16-40.us-east-2.compute.internal"
        privateIpAddress = "172.20.16.40"
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        rootDeviceType = "ebs"
        sourceDestCheck
        subnetId = "subnet-04ac8af8d8136a0495"
        virtualizationType = "hvm"
        vpcId = "vpo-0a0c33b255fa43e0e"
    }
    class NetworkInterfaces {
        macAddress = "06:96:8b:58:e8:bc"
        networkInterfaceId = "eni-0c50ca30738ae1f3d"
        ownerId = "288838993075"
        sourceDestCheck
        status = "in-use"
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        vpcId = "vpo-0a0c33b255fa43e0e"
    }
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        key = "Name"
        value = "Demo_monitoring_server"
    }
    class Placement {
        availabilityZone = "us-east-2b"
    }
    class State {
        code = 16
        name = "running"
    }
    class BlockDeviceMappings {
        deviceName = "/dev/sda1"
    }
    class SecurityGroups {
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    }
    class Monitoring {
        state = "running"
    }

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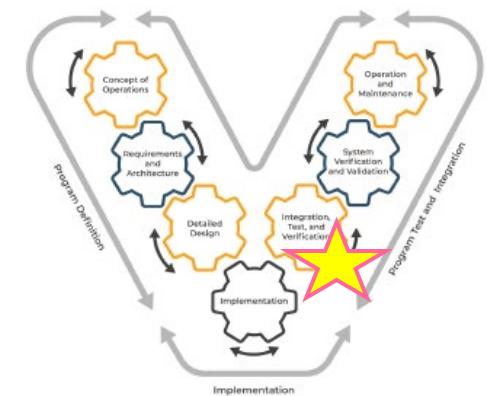
Solution implementation

- EC2 instance deployed to address specific control
- Automated model-based representation of solution



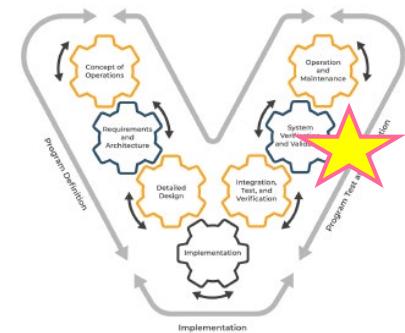
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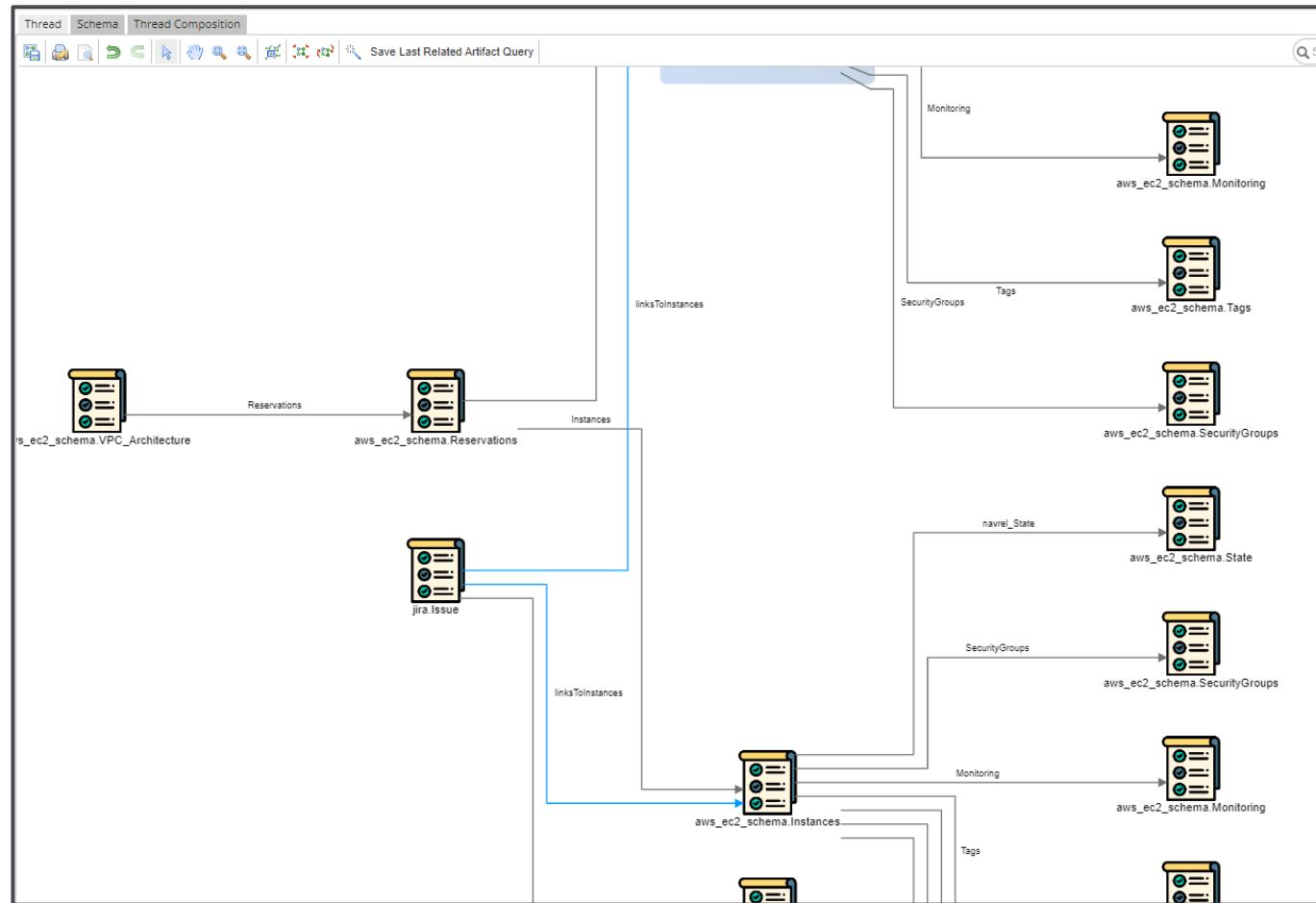
- Requirements
- Design
- Solution



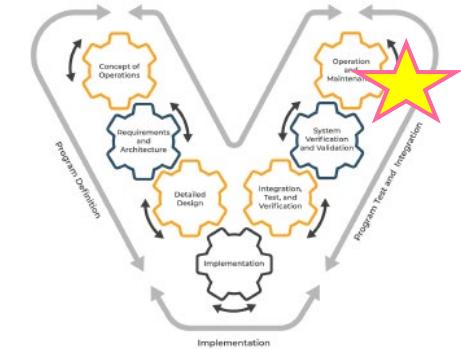
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- Cyber control dashboard with navigable relationships to design and solution
 - Dynamic satisfaction of controls according to state of solution (“running”)
 - Hyperlinks to sources of truth for related artifacts





- Visualization of cyber thread outside of modeling tool for stakeholder analysis, monitoring





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