Chapter 2.3 Architecture and Design: Methods and Tools

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Scope

- Key enablers to produce ECS-based applications and innovations:
 - Effective architectures and platforms at all levels of the design hierarchy
 - structured and well-adapted design methods and development approaches supported by efficient engineering tools, design libraries and frameworks
- Establishing architectures, methods and tools that enable "quality by design" approaches for future ECS-based systems

CONTINOUS DEVELOPMENT AND INTEGRATION (DevOps)



Key trends

- Ever increasing functionality (,intelligence') and complexity of ECS based systems comrising heterogeneous (,diverse') subsystems and components
- Agile continous development processes by using data collected during run-time (and production, maintenance,...)
- Advanced functionality by use of AI in components and subsystems, with corresponding challenges for qualtiy (ie., safety) assurance
- Advanced productivity and cost-effectiveness by using AI in Development and Test, with corresponding challenges for quality assurance
- Sustainability / ,green'
 - Systems
 - Design, Integration and Test Processes

Major challenges

- MC 1: Enabling cost- and effort-efficient Design and Validation Frameworks for High Quality ECS
- MC 2: Enabling Sustainable Design for Sustainability

New

- MC 3: Managing complexity
- MC 4: Managing diversity

R&I focus areas

- MC 1: Enabling cost- and effort-efficient Design and Validation Frameworks for High Quality ECS
- 1.1. Lifecycle-aware holistic design flows
- 1.2. Virtual Engineering of ECS
- 1.3. Advancing System and component design (methods and tools)
- 1.4. Integration of new V&V methods

MC 3: Managing complexity

- 3.1. Assurance Cases
- 3.2. Methods and tools to increase design and V&V efficiency
- 3.3. Complexity reduction methods and tools for V&V and testing
- 3.4. Methods and tools for advanced architecture

MC 2: Enabling Sustainable Design for Sustainability

- 2.1. Lifecycle aware Design Optimizations
- 2.2. Updates
- 2.3. Energy and resource efficient test procedures and equipment
- 2.4. Ultra-low power design methods

MC 4: Managing diversity

- 4.1. Multi-objective design and optimisation of components and systems
- 4.2. Modelling, analysis, design and test methods for heterogeneous systems considering properties, physical effects and constraints
- 4.3 Automation of analogue and integration of analogue and digital design methods
- 4.4. Connecting the virtual and physical world of mixed domains in real environments