

Open Innovation/Sagitta – Implementation and Validation of a Real-Time Flight Dynamics model for Simulation, Integration Testing and Pilot Training



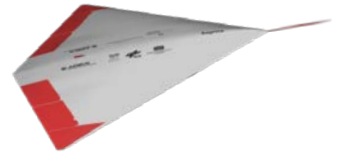
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Outline

- Introduction to the OpenInnovation/Sagitta project
- **Introduction to the Sagitta Simulation and Integration Testing (SIT) environment**
- **Flight Dynamics Model (FDM) implementation**
 - Modelica Flight Dynamics Library
 - Integration of Sub-Components:
 - Mass model
 - Aerodynamic model (ADM)
 - Propulsion (PROP) model – (similar Actuator (ACT) model integration)
 - Assembly of the Sagitta SIT Flight Dynamics model
- **Sagitta SIT FDM Validation measures**
- **SIT in-use videos**
- Conclusion and Outlook



Sagitta – Airbus Defence and Space Open Innovation UAV Technology Scouting Initiative

Research Program

Field of Technology:

- Mission Management
- Flight Control Systems
- Platform and overall system design
- Communication system
- **Rapid Control Prototyping of Flight Control Laws**
- Propulsion & Energy Generation System
- Modular Payload System

Research Demonstrator



Sagitta:

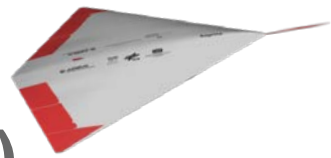
- Dimensions ~3 x 3 m
- Max. Speed ~80 m/s
- Radius of Action ~20km
- Max. Flight Time ~1h



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Our task in the scope of the Demonstrator A/C (Requirements for SIT)

Simulation and Integration Testing Setup:

- One setup for simulation and integration testing activities – forming a “virtual aircraft”
- “Step-by-step” replacement of software models with available hardware – controlled via patch panel
- Simulation models resemble identical ICD, as original flight H/W
- Scriptable / automated simulation and test execution
- Real-time capable system, with defined maximum latencies (along H/W measurements)
- Fault insertion capabilities ...

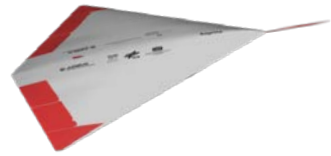
... used for:

- Simulation Studies for early design evaluation (e.g. Manual Landing Study, Taxi Tests, ...)
- Integration Testing (from component level – fully assembled aircraft, “hybrid setups”, V-model)
- Formal First Flight Qualification of Aircraft and Equipment
- External Pilot Training for maiden flight

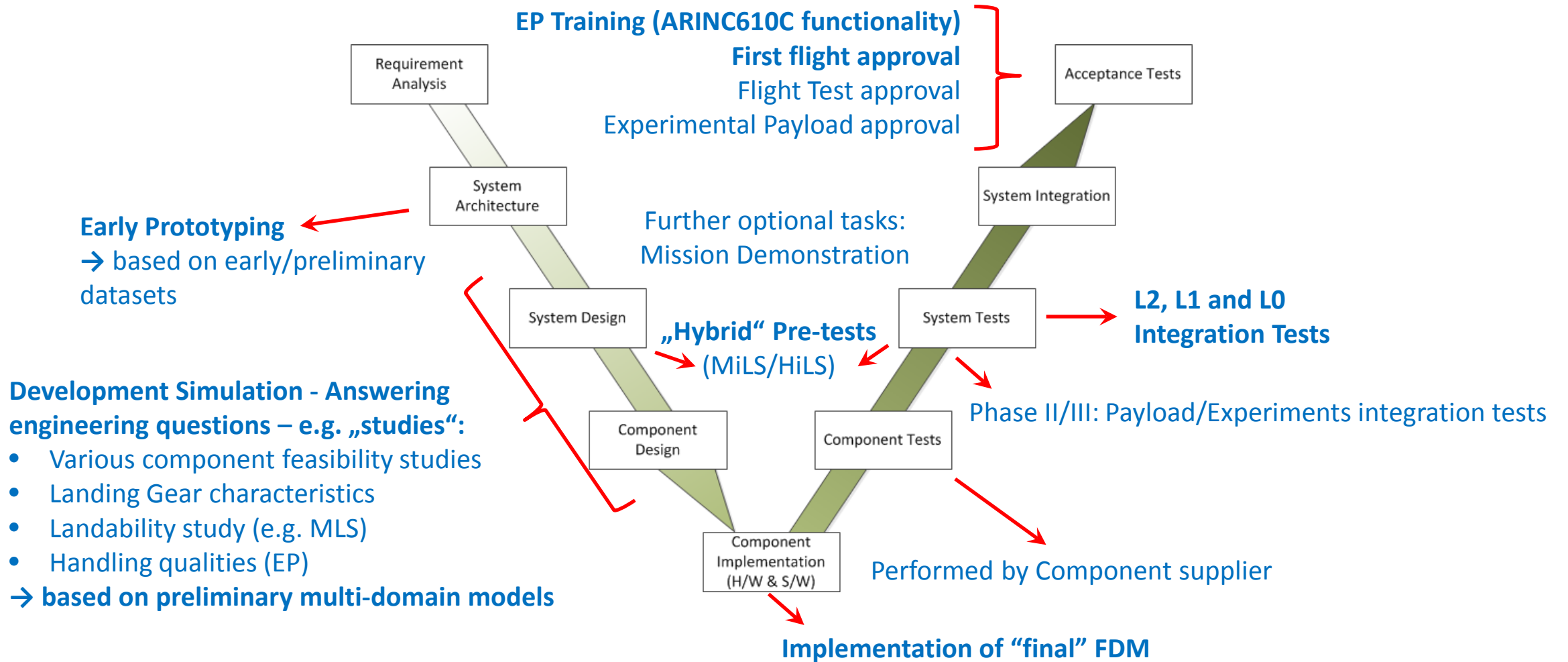
→ Basic Model Setup:

- Modelica based Flight Dynamics Model (integrated via Functional Mockup Interface)
- Simulink component models (integrated via Simulink Coder)

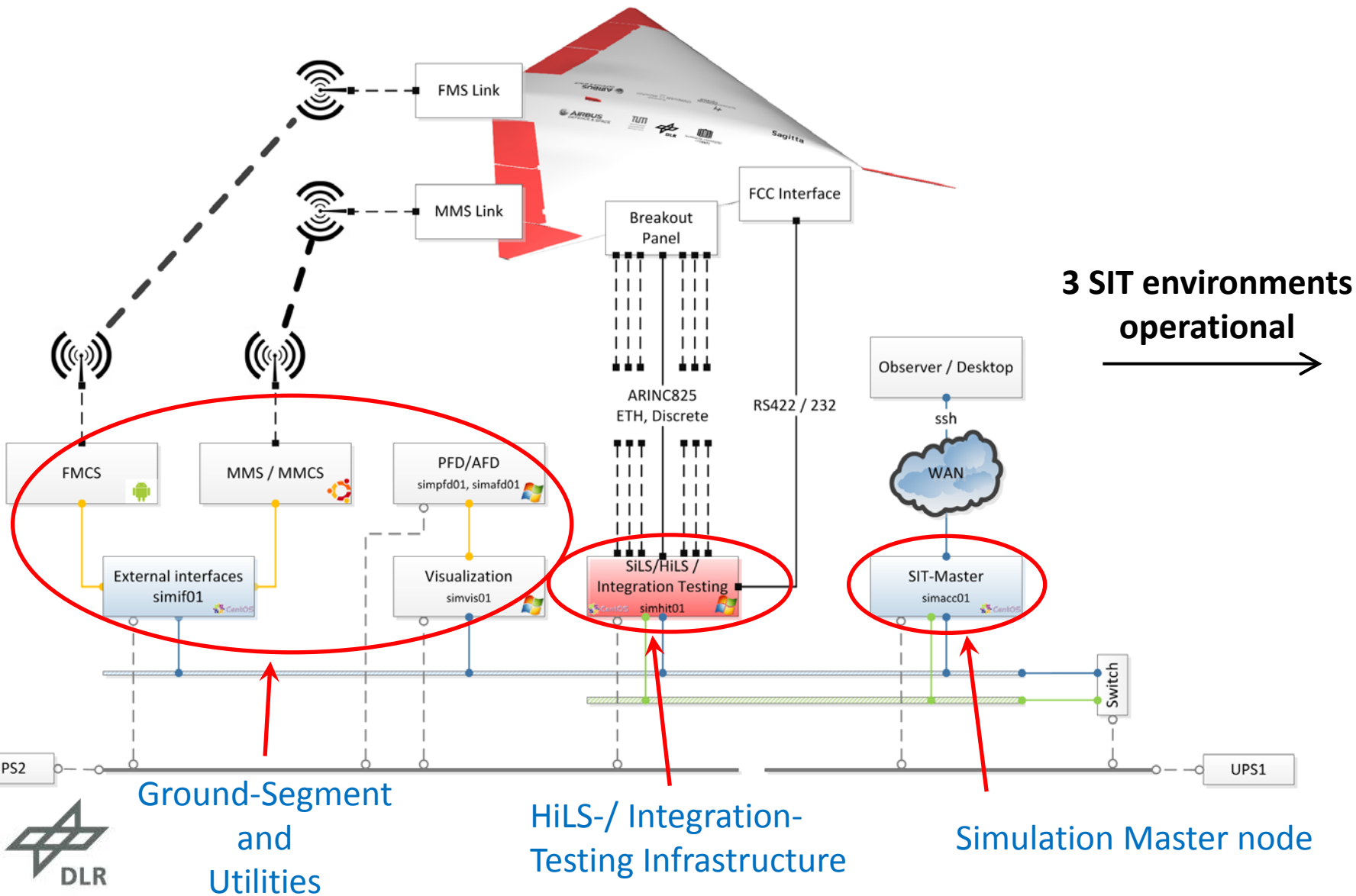




Overall development process – Simulation/I&T interaction



Architecture and Implementation of the Sagitta Simulations- und Integration Testing environment (SIT)



Software for Simulation and Integration Testing



MiLS – Airbus DS SIRIUS:

- Execution of models based on AP2633 and ARINC653 standards
- Source code in ANSI C/C++/ADA direct embeddable, C++/C# etc. require wrapper functions + runtime
- SIRIUS SDK for directly embedding SIRIUS functionality in model code (e.g. network sockets, shared memory, timers, ...)
- Utility functions: “SIRIUS Workbench” (Eclipse RCP based) and “SIRIUS Web interface” – simulation control, Scripting interface (Groovy, Python), “Record”/“Replay”, ...

HiLS/IT – Airbus DS AIDASS:

- Supports multiple I/O interface boards via PCIe: RS232/422, Ethernet, CAN/ARINC825, Discrete, MILBUS and many more
- On- and Offline Data analysis – “Record” and “Replay”, Script, Real-time scripting and User-Program capabilities for test case execution
- Signal generator for specific test signal generation

→ **Interfacing AIDASS with SIRIUS via TssGateway Service (Interprocess Communication, performance critical)**



– The Sagitta Demonstrator FLIGHT DYNAMICS MODEL –



Flight dynamics – 6DOF Equations of motion

- Simplified equations of motion:

- Forces:

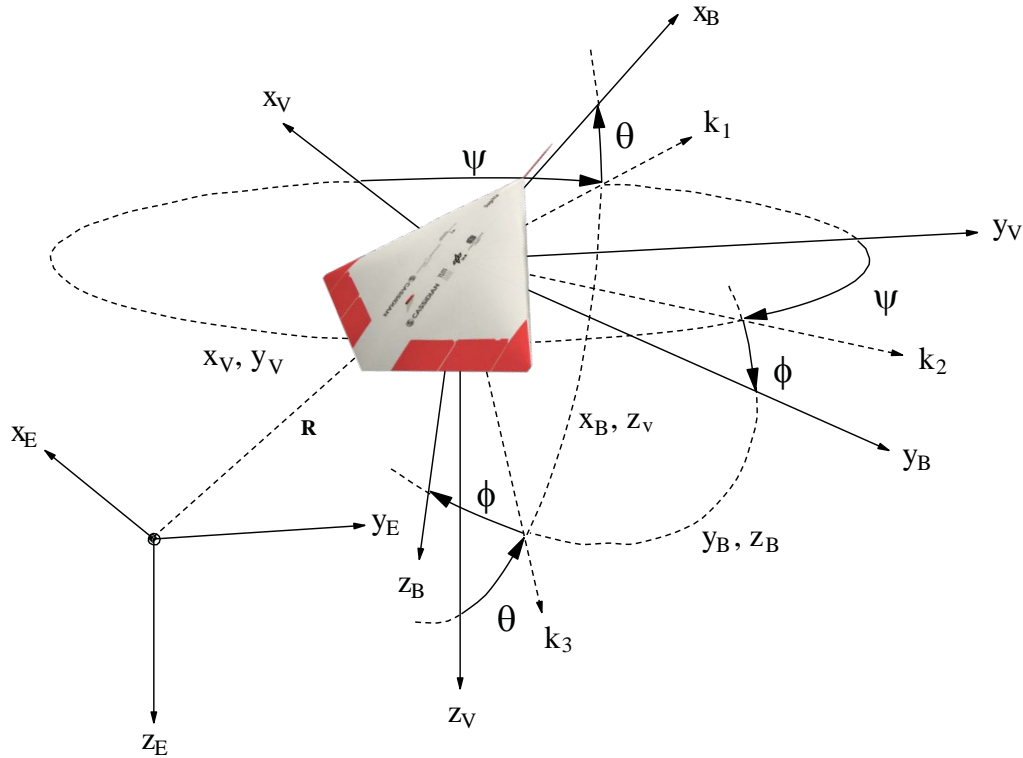
$$\begin{pmatrix} X_{aero} + T_x + X_{ldg} \\ Y_{aero} + T_y + Y_{ldg} \\ Z_{aero} + T_z + Z_{ldg} \end{pmatrix} = m \begin{pmatrix} \dot{u} + qw - rv + g_0 \sin \Theta \\ \dot{v} + ru - pw - g_0 \cos \Theta \sin \Phi \\ \dot{w} + pv - qu - g_0 \cos \Theta \cos \Phi \end{pmatrix}$$

- and Moments (w/o contributions by propulsion and systems)

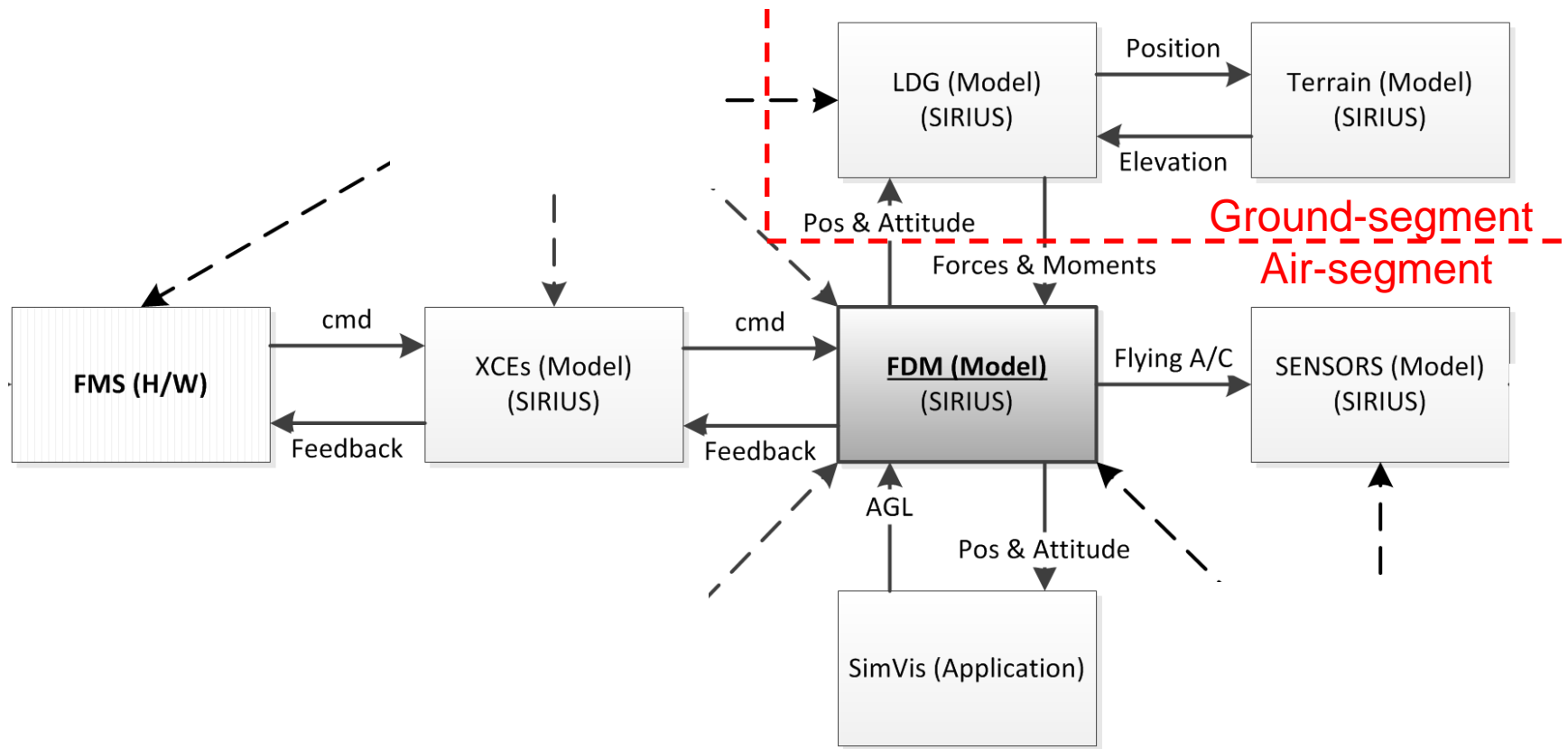
$$\begin{pmatrix} L \\ M \\ N \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} I_x \dot{p} + (I_z - I_y) qr \\ I_y \dot{q} + (I_x - I_z) rp \\ I_z \dot{r} + (I_y - I_x) pq \end{pmatrix}$$

With:

- p,q,r ... Angular velocity in body frame
- u,v,w ... Velocity of A/C in body frame
- Φ, Θ ... Euler angles



Sagitta SIT model interaction – FDM



FDM Sub-Components – I

- **Aerodynamic Data Module (ADM)** – provided by TUM-AER/THI:
 - Derived from wind tunnel data and CFD results (dynamic derivatives, consolidation)
 - Originally provided via Matlab script
- Reworked into vectorized interpolation scheme, ANSI C-code
- Integration into Modelica FDM framework:

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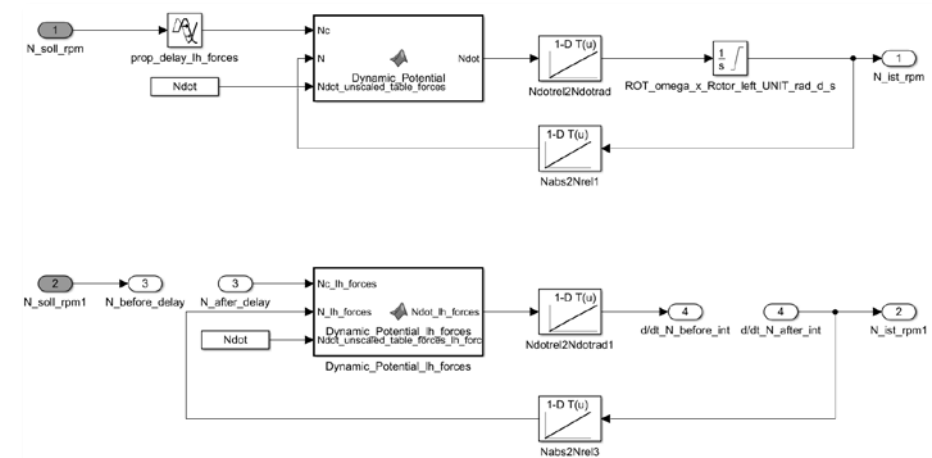
function Stat_noVT_CX_
input Real alpha[1];
input Real beta[1];
output Real Stat_noVT_CX_Aero_A_B;

external "C" Stat_noVT_CX_Aero_A_B =
  Stat_noVT_CX_(alpha, beta);

annotation (Include="#include \"
  SagittaADM_ph03v02.c\"");
end Stat_noVT_CX_;

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- **Propulsion model (PROP) – I** – provided by TUM-LLS:
 - Derived from test bench data (static and dynamic thrust and CFD results (intake))
 - Originally provided as Simulink model
- Integration into Modelica FDM framework:
 - Extract all dynamic content (delays, integrators, ...) from the model



FDM Sub-Components – II

Propulsion model (PROP) – II

- Export model via Simulink Coder without continuous states:

- Integration of coded PROP model into the Modelica context:

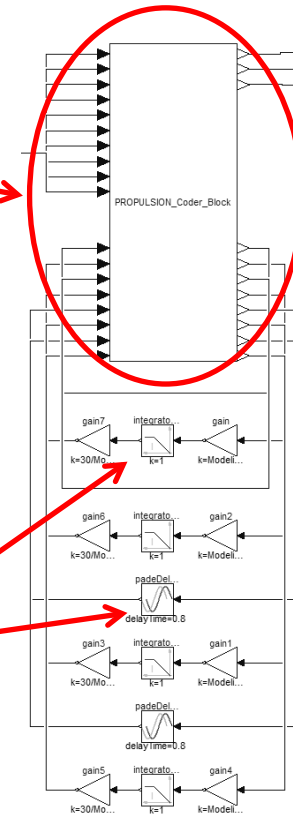
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function ENG_MOD_Coder_InitModel_
external "C" ENG_MOD_Coder_InitModel_();
annotation (Include="#include \"
ENG_MOD_Coder.c\"");
end ENG_MOD_Coder_InitModel_;
```

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function ENG_MOD_Coder_OneStep_
input Real[18] dU;
output Real[26] dY;
external "C" ENG_MOD_Coder_OneStep_(dU, dY);
annotation (Include="#include \"
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end ENG_MOD_Coder_OneStep_;
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Simulink model embedded in Modelica

Simulink Coder generated function calls

Re-established dynamic content of the original S/L model in Modelica (e.g. Transport Delay, Integrator, ...)



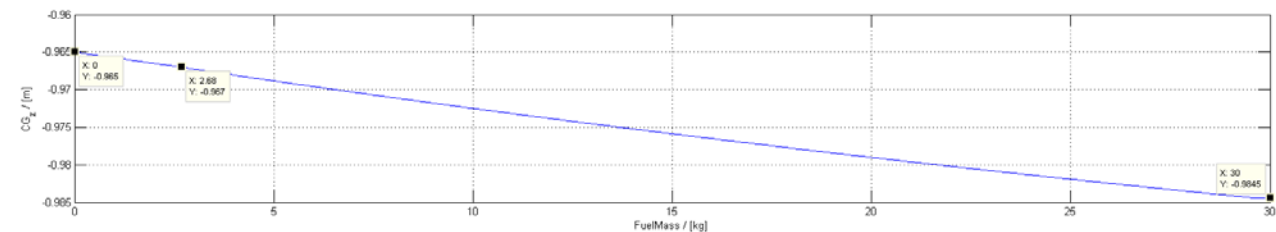
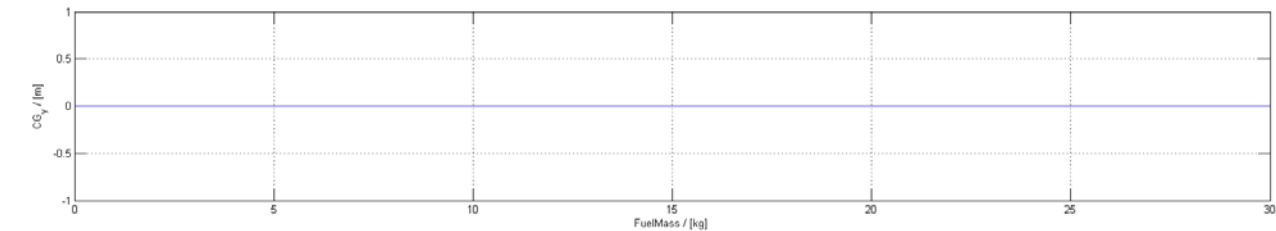
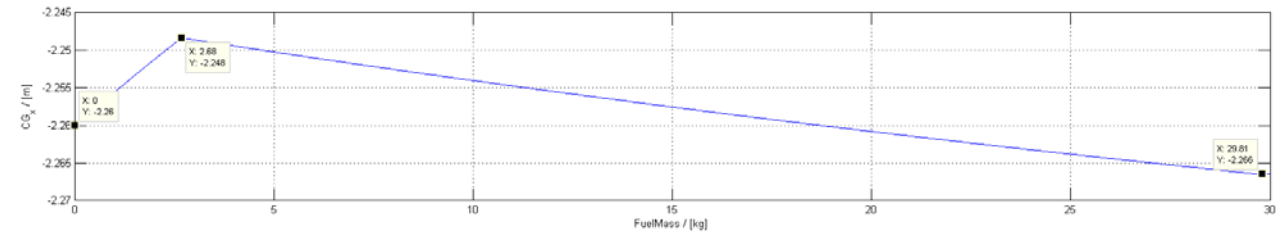
... similar to Actuator model integration



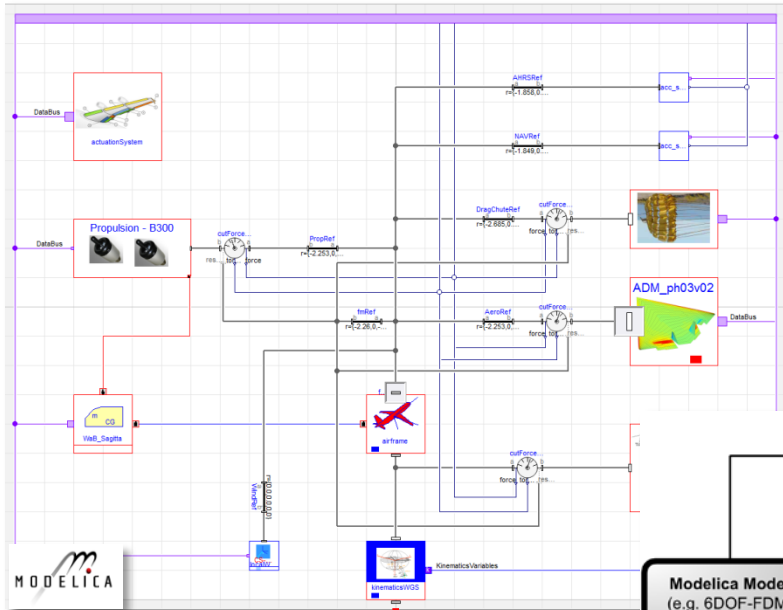
FDM Sub-Components – III

Mass/Weight-and-Balance (WaB) model

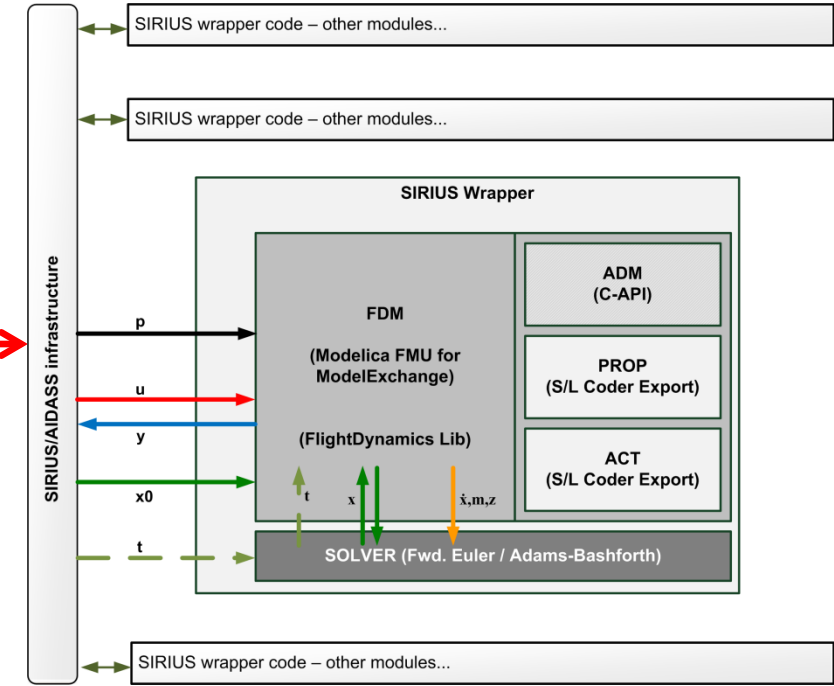
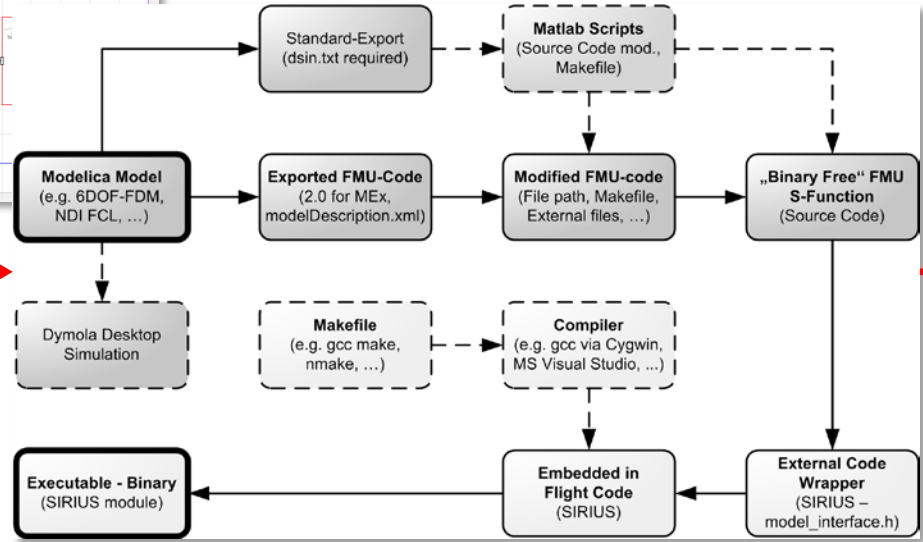
- Covers all variations of:
 - Center of Gravity (CoG)
 - Inertia
 due to Mass-changes / Fuel Flow
- Therefore WaB and PROP are interacting via Fuel Integrator
- Tank system consists of Main tank and hopper tank – therefore causing nonlinear WaB characteristics



Assembled Flight Dynamics model and Integration in SIRIUS



Model Export via FMI

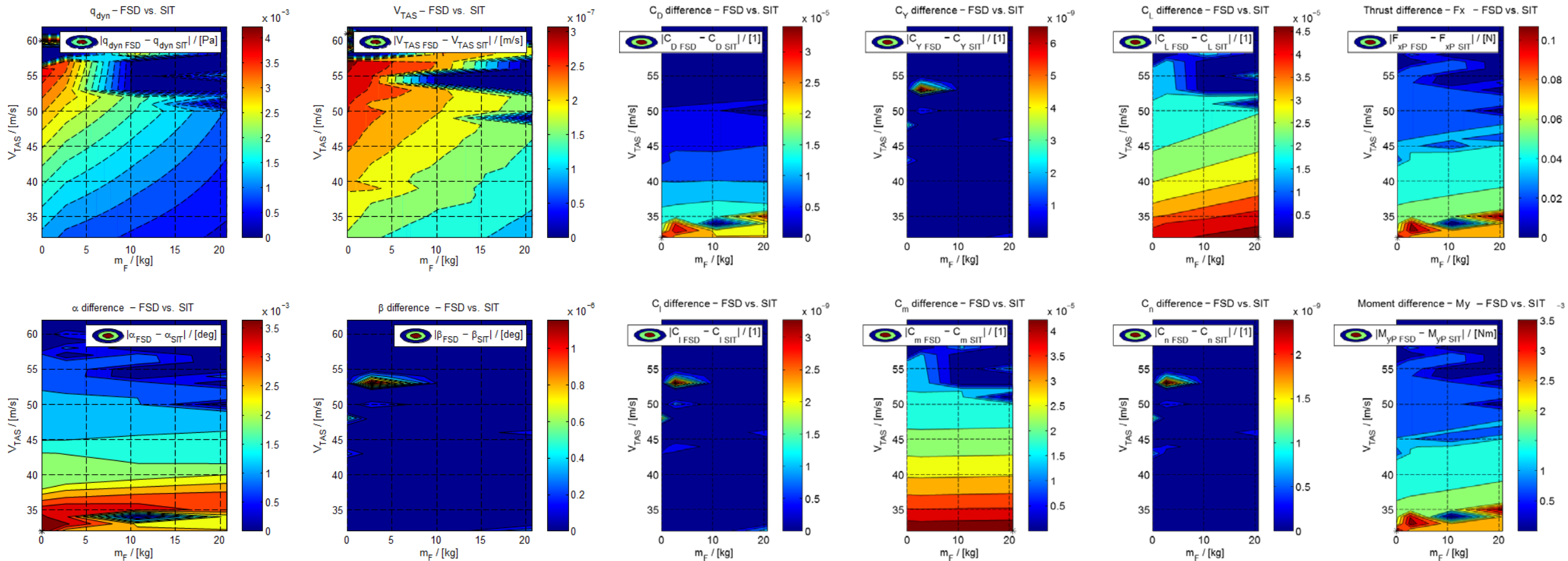


FMI is a standardized interface for the integration of exported Modelica models (ANSI-C code) with various simulation frameworks and platforms – without platform & proprietary dependencies
 → ModelExchange Version utilized for FDM



FDM Validation – Stationary comparison

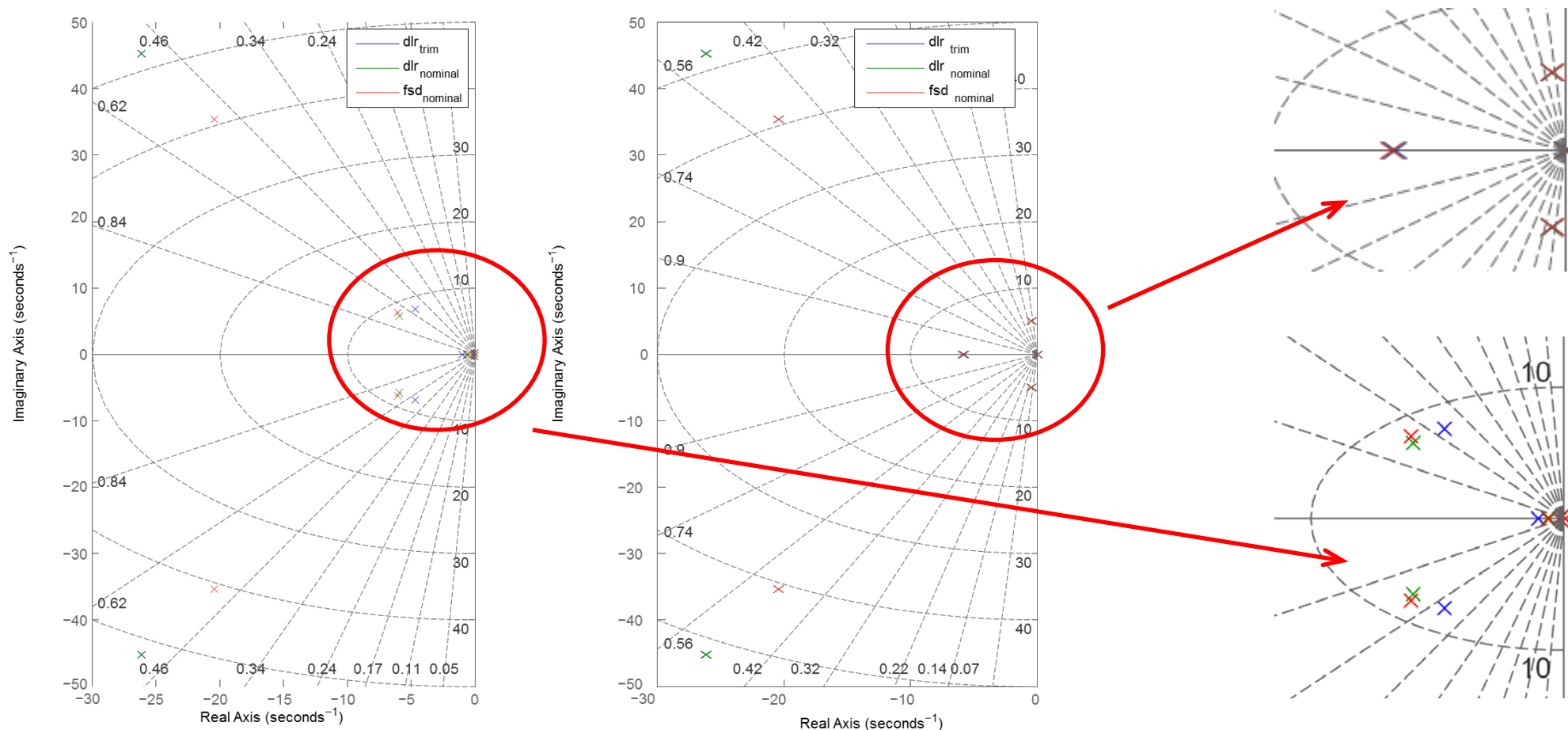
- Comparison based on dissimilar development of FDM: DLR-SR SIT vs. TUM-FSD FCL Synthesis models
- 240 trim cases compared (Air-speed, mass and altitude variations)



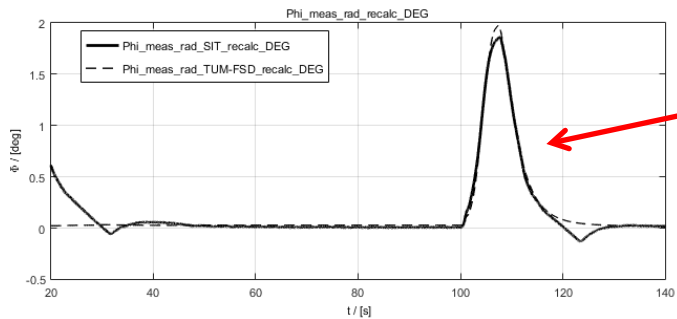
FDM Validation – Linearized Model comparison

- Linearized models have been derived for each of the 240 trim points and compared

LONGITUDINAL Motion – SPEED = 55m/s, ALTITUDE = 250m, FUEL MASS = 0kg LATERAL Motion – SPEED = 55m/s, ALTITUDE = 250m, FUEL MASS = 0kg

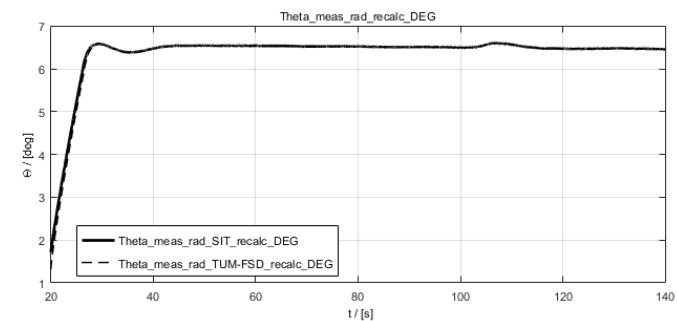
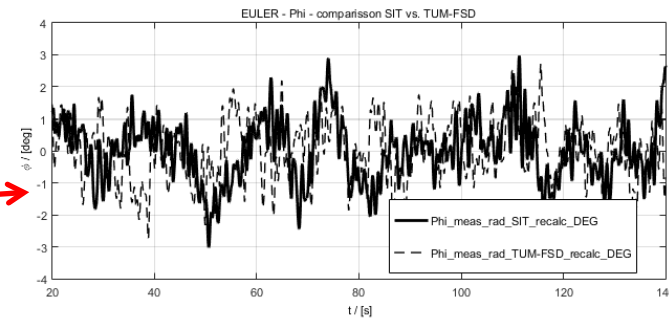


FDM Validation – Mission comparison examples

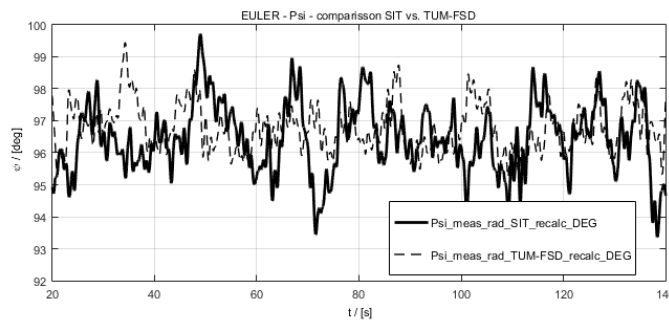
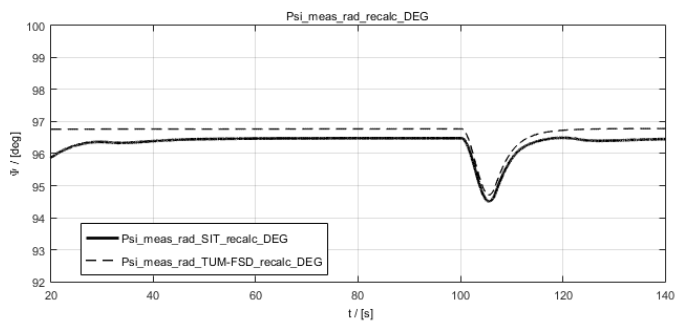
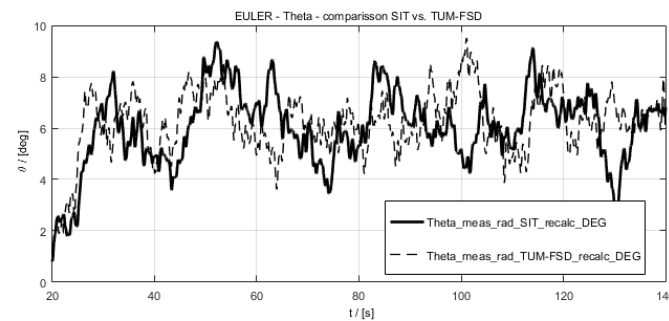
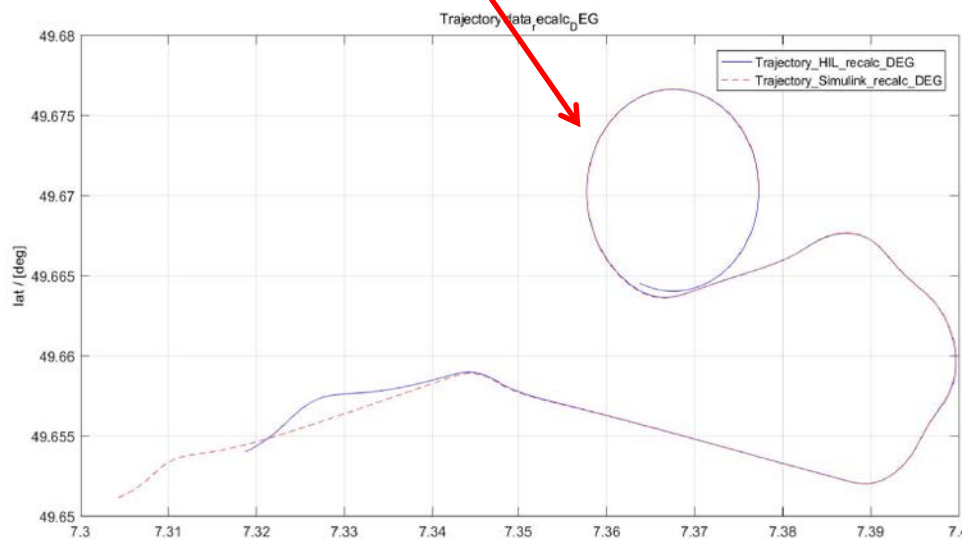


Lateral gust (1-cos, due to MIL-F-8785C)

Dryden-Turbulence (due to MIL-F-8785C)



Trajectory follow



→ Small deviations allowed and unavoidable: E.g. different model approach, H/W environment (SIT) vs. all simulated



Videos – L0 SIT Trials (07.03.2017)



L0 SIT Setup



Take-off



Landing



Conclusion and Outlook

- **A flexible and versatile Simulation and Integration Testing environment has been implemented and is intensively used**
- **Core element is the Flight Dynamics model** – receiving commands from FCC and stimulating the SENSOR models – thus closing the loop
- **Major challenge: Define and integrate the respective Sub-Component models (ADM, Propulsion and Actuation) in order to integrate smoothly with the FDM**
- **Lessons learnt: Basic Time Frame of SIT preparations should be in ADVANCE of general implementation activities** – if and where possible!
 - **Incremental build-up of flight-dynamics and component models** in order to keep complexity manageable, when high-fidelity sub-models arise.
 - **Stabilization of SIT implementation activities early on**, then follow on with documented and tested “small, incremental” steps
 - **Validation of models is time consuming, but a core necessity!**
- **Currently intensive testing on all system levels is underway in advance of the Sagitta Maiden Flight**



Thank you for your attention! Questions?

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