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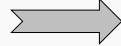
# MBSE Driven Analysis

Improving MBSE Capabilities at  
Orbital ATK with ModelCenter

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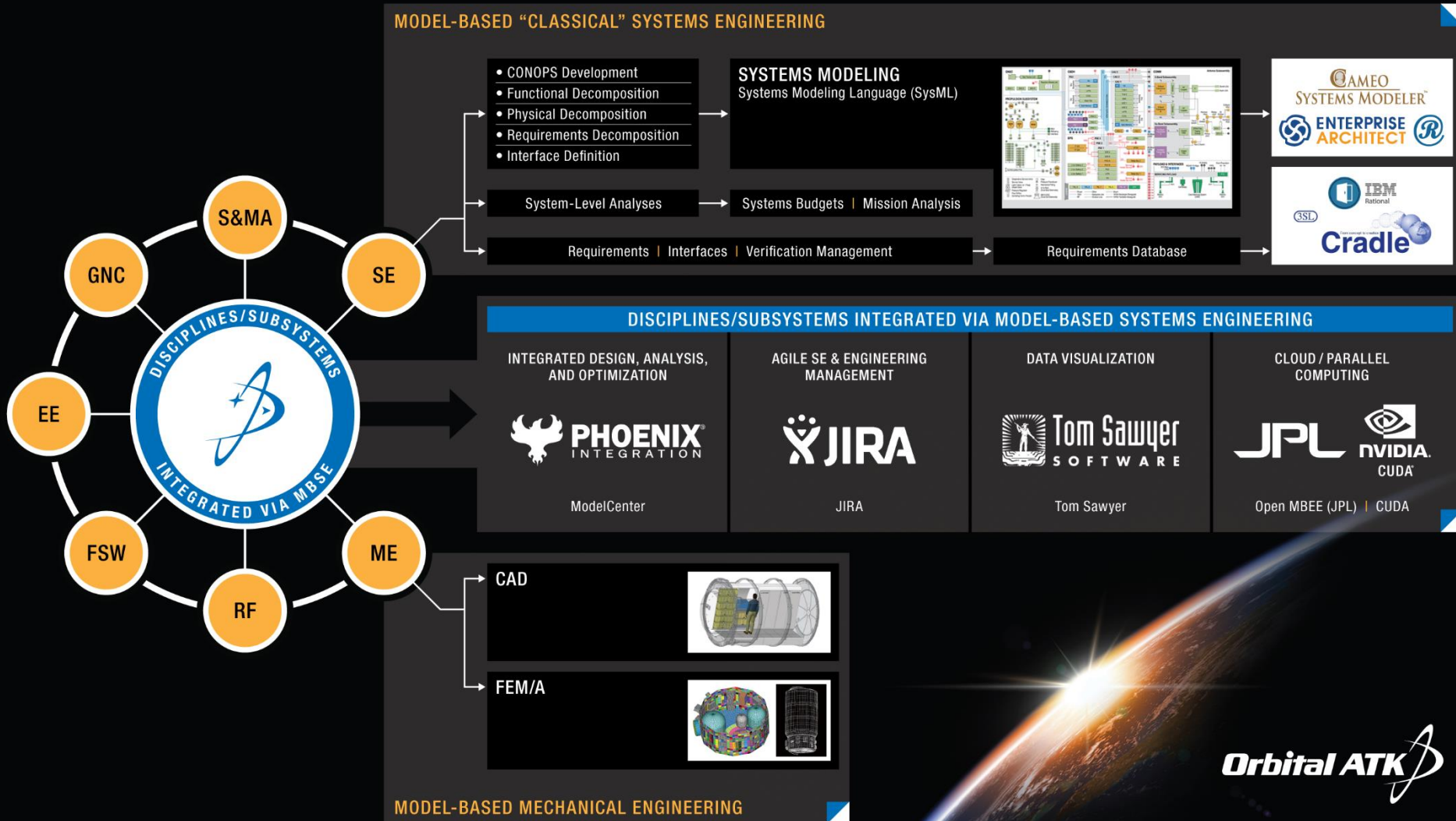
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# Orbital ATK SSG Model-Based Systems Engineering



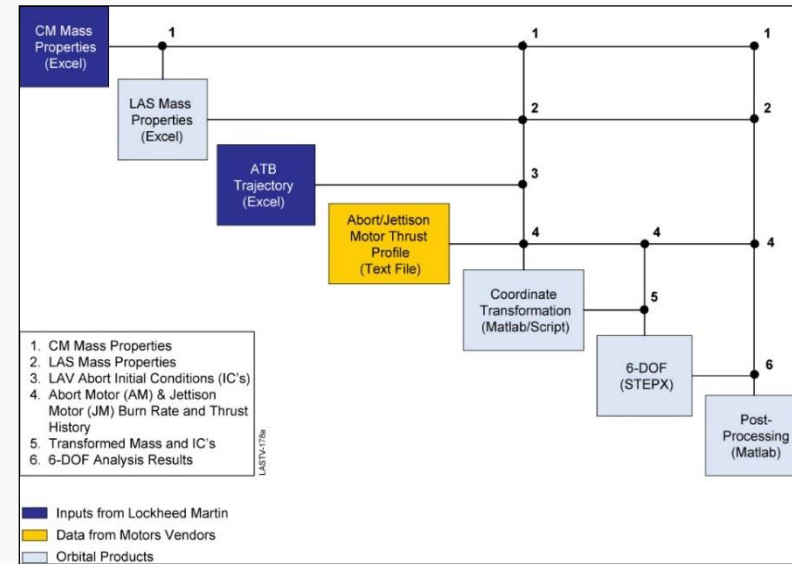


# MBSE to Cover Waterfront of System Engineering

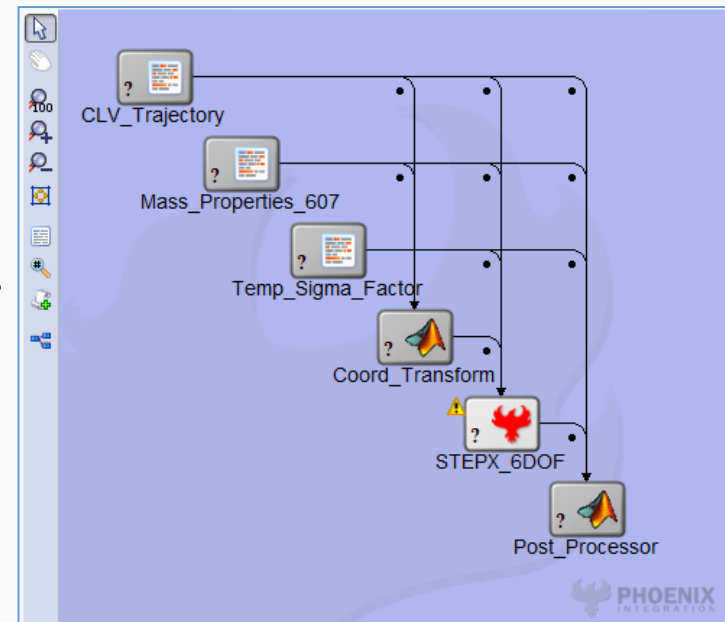


- Integrated Analysis & Design
  - ▶ Multiple discipline tools connected in single model
  - ▶ Explore & evaluate large design spaces, generate robust designs, & perform/automate complex analyses
- SSG has extensive experience performing multi-disciplinary analyses using **ModelCenter**®
  - ▶ Integrate & automate analysis models across different software programs & platforms
  - ▶ Optimize design with many optimization methods
  - ▶ Explore design space sensitivity w/ parametric trade studies & Design of Experiment tools
  - ▶ Assess/verify design robustness with probabilistic analysis tools (Monte Carlos)

Orion LAS Mission Analysis N<sup>2</sup> Diagram



Orion LAS Mission Analysis in ModelCenter

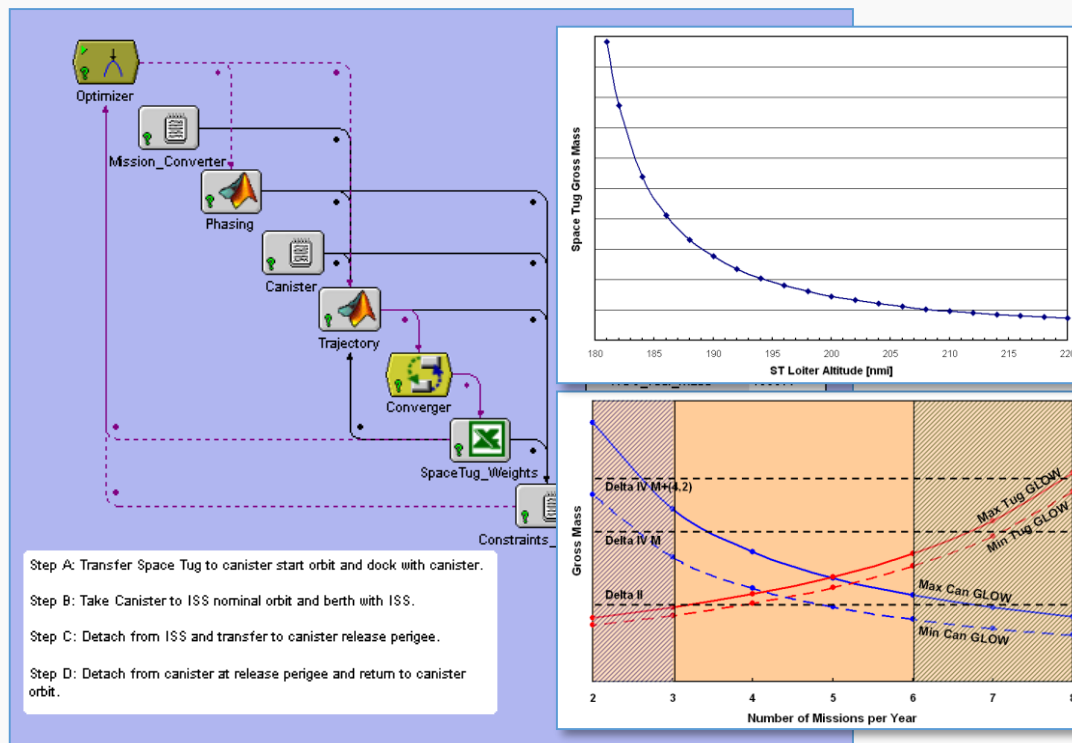


# SSG Experience with MBSE & ModelCenter®

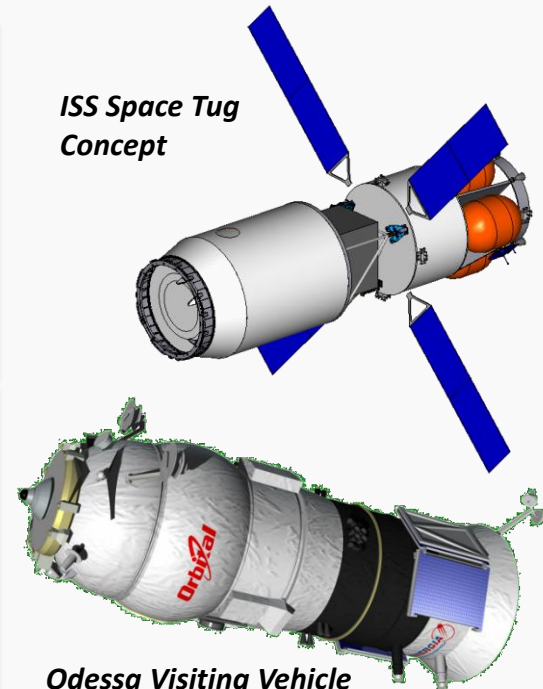
## 2005 ICCS/COTS Proposal

Integrated vehicle sizing & mission analysis.

- Optimization of spacecraft design with FSG/SSG trajectory tools (Matlab) & SSG spacecraft sizing tools (Excel)
- Parametric trades to explore sensitivity of vehicle design to variation in launch vehicle, cargo mass, # of missions, ConOps



*ISS Space Tug Concept*



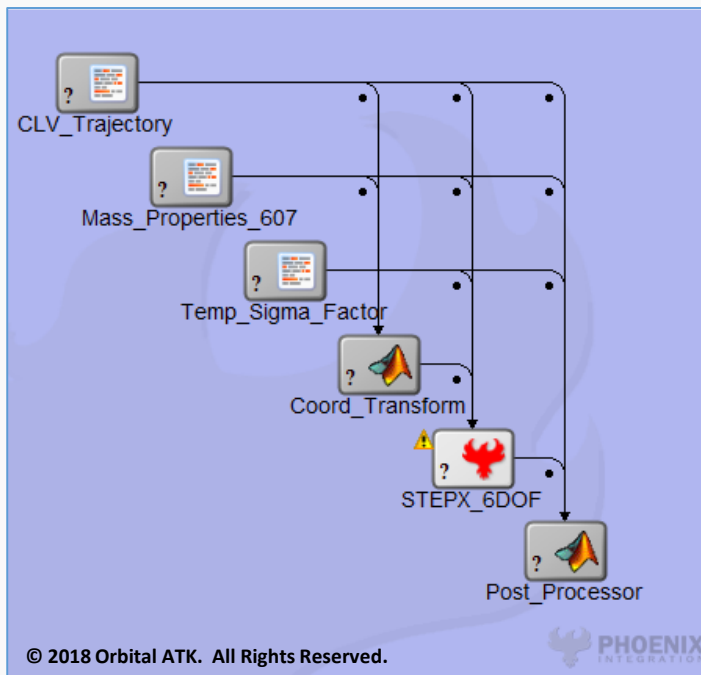
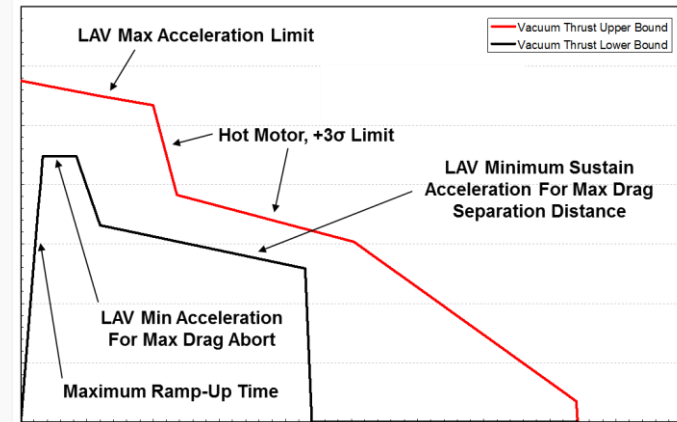
*Odessa Visiting Vehicle*

# SSG Experience with MBSE & ModelCenter®

2006

## Orion LAS PA-1 Flight Test Validation & Verification

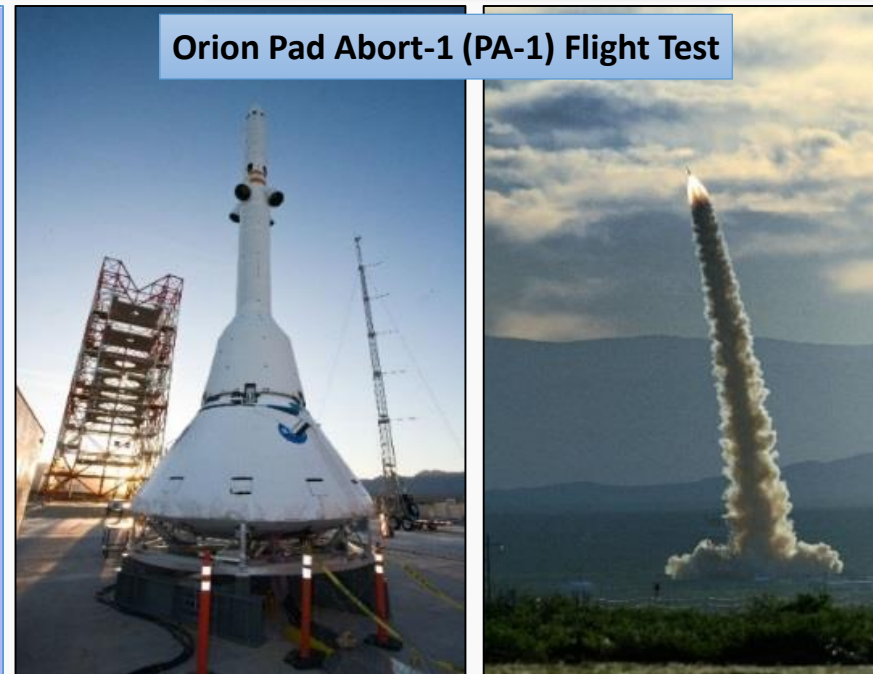
- Optimization of abort motor thrust profile
- 6-DOF trajectory analysis for all capsules, abort conditions, & motors performance
- Validation & verification Monte Carlo analysis
- Results linked to Cradle requirements database



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Orion Pad Abort-1 (PA-1) Flight Test





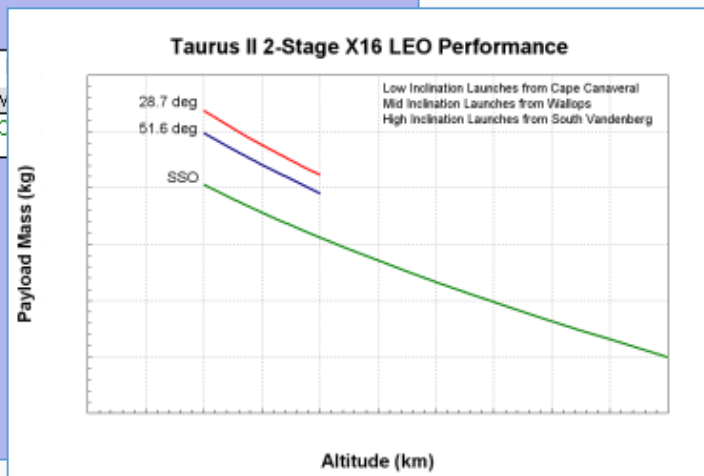
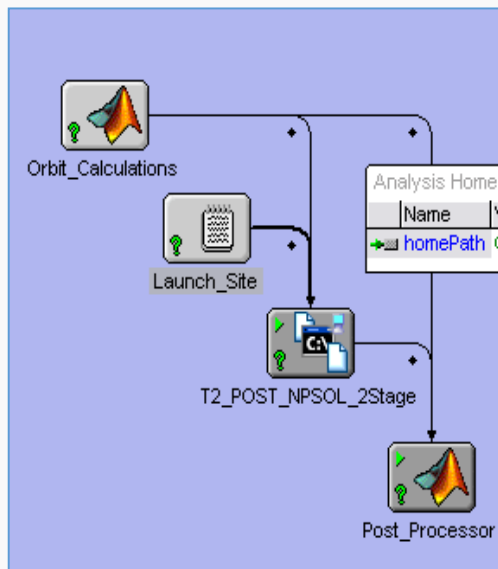
# SSG Experience with MBSE & ModelCenter®

## Antares Launch Vehicle Performance Analysis

- POST 3-DOF trajectory analysis (Fortran) integrated with mass properties (Excel) & upper stage motor ballistics (ASCII)
- Parametric trades to explore sensitivity of payload performance to variation in orbit altitude, inclination, & launch site.



Antares Launch from NASA WFF

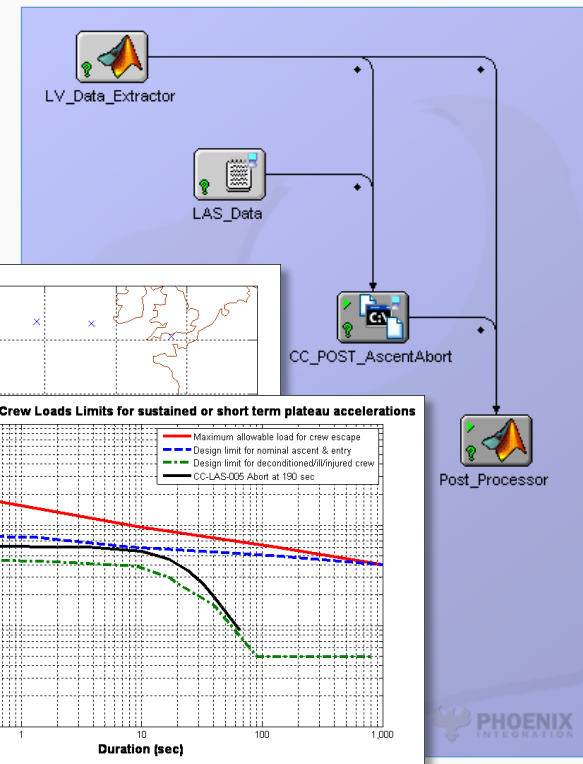
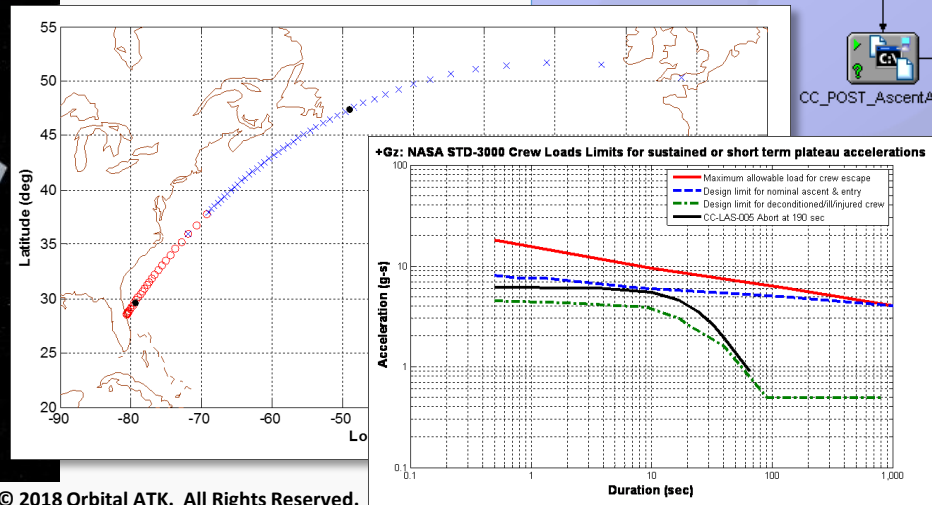
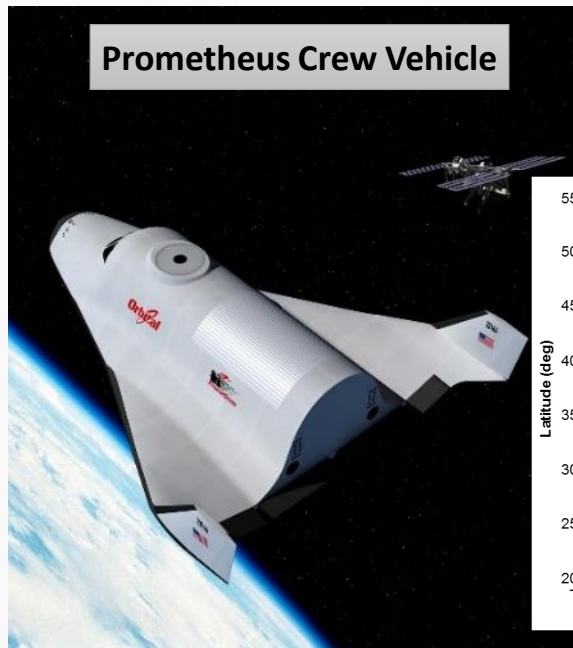




## SSG Experience with MBSE & ModelCenter®

# CCDev2 Proposal Abort Black-Out Zones

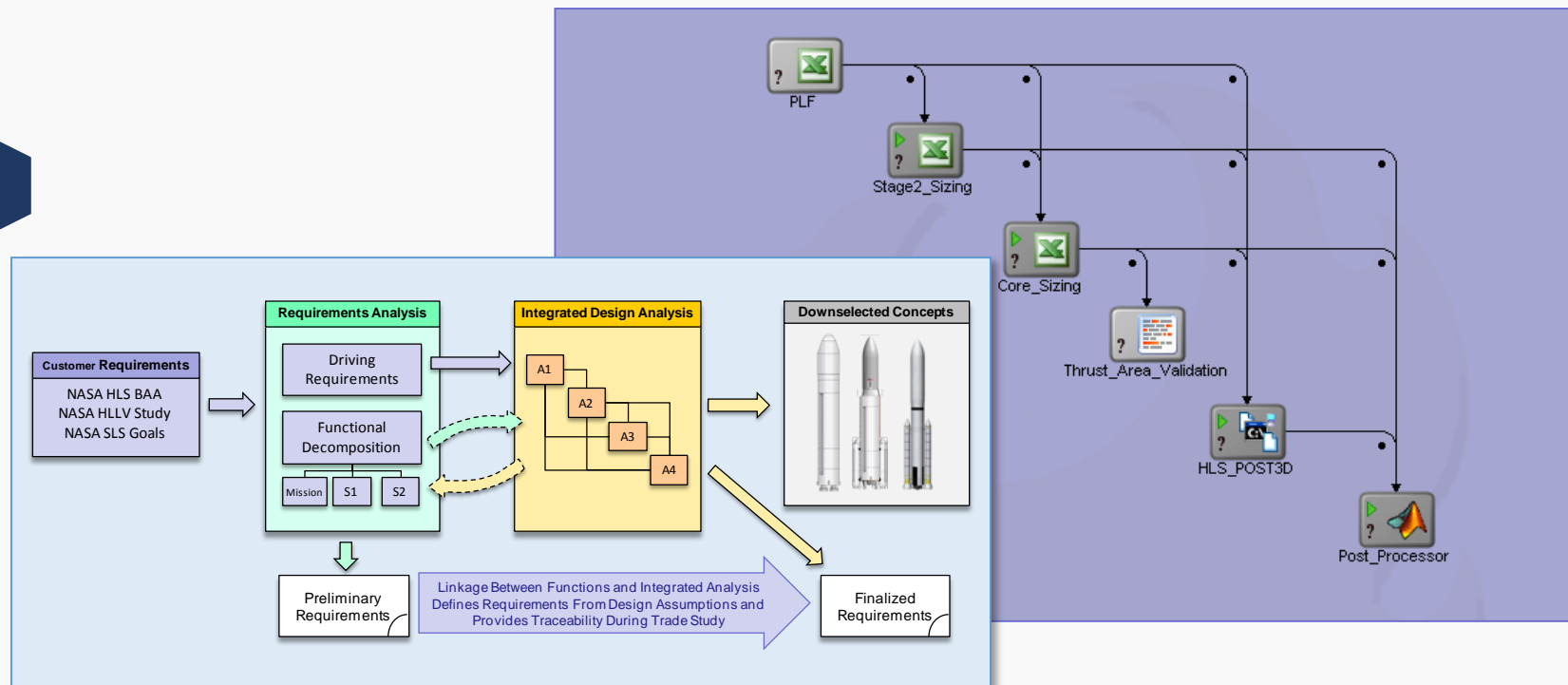
- POST 3-DOF analysis integrated with LV trajectory (Matlab), LAS mass properties & abort motor performance (Excel)
- Calculated abort impact points & crew load limits
- Parametric trades to evaluate abort simulations at intervals of the LV trajectory to determine Black-Out Zones



# SSG Experience with MBSE & ModelCenter®

## NASA Heavy Lift Launch Vehicle Study

- POST 3-DOF trajectory analysis integrated with stages & fairing sizing (Excel) for optimization of 30+ LV configurations
- MBSE processes used with integrated analysis to define requirements & provide traceability

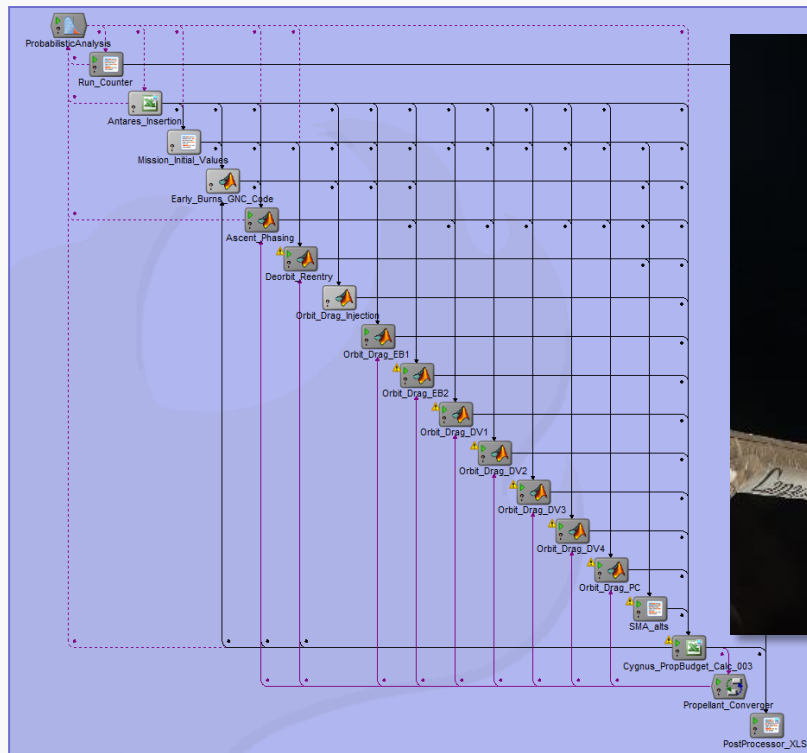


2010

# SSG Experience with MBSE & ModelCenter®

## Cygnus Mission Analysis & Propellant Usage Modeling

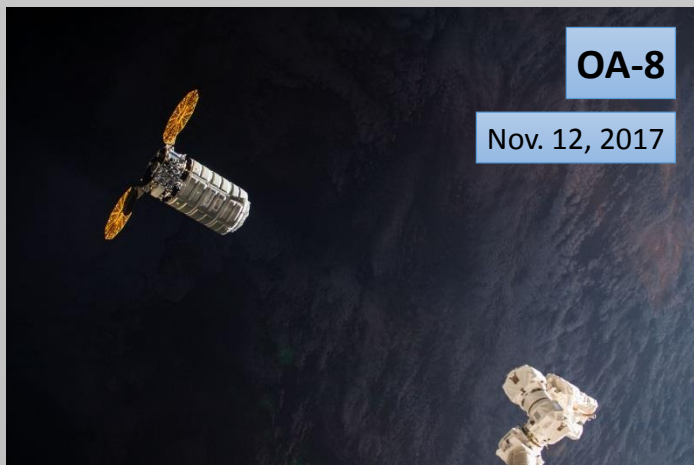
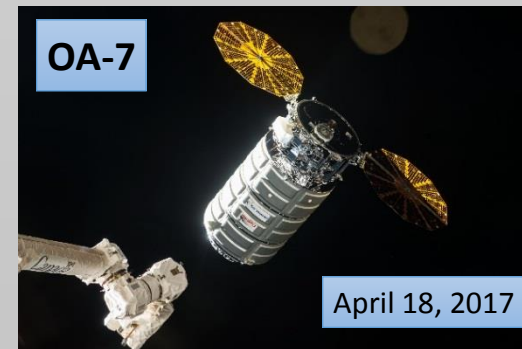
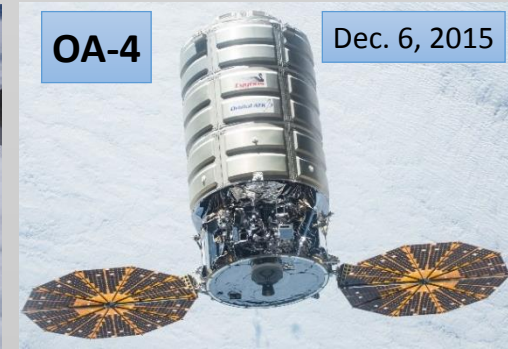
- Integrated analysis tools from LV, Flight Dynamics, Propulsion, GN&C and Systems
- Optimize propellant usage during the CRS missions & validate Cygnus propellant load
- Used for CRS missions & CRS2 development



OA-7 Cygnus Spacecraft

2011

# ISS Cargo Resupply with Cygnus



- Cygnus carries crew supplies, spare equipment & scientific experiments to the International Space Station (ISS)
- 20 mT of cargo delivered to ISS in 8 flights
- 3 CRS flights from 2018 to 2019
- 6 CRS2 flights starting in 2019



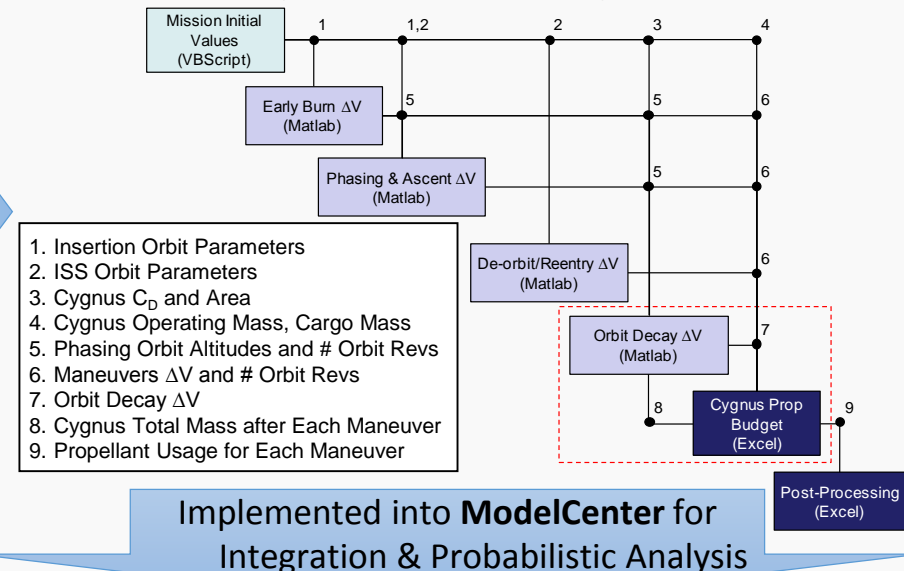
# Cygnus Mission Performance Optimization Process

## Assumptions & Dispersions Spreadsheet

Antares	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Launch Mass</li> <li>Insertion Orbit Parameters</li> </ul>
PSS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DVE &amp; REA Propulsion Parameters</li> <li>Pressurant &amp; Residual Propellant Data</li> </ul>
GN&C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective DVE + REA Isp vs. C.G.</li> <li>6-DOF propellant usage distributions for attitude control, slews, JOPS, Aborts, and Departure</li> <li>Early Burn Algorithm</li> </ul>
FDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ISS reference trajectory</li> <li>Ascent Phasing Plan</li> <li>Deorbit/Reentry Trajectory Plan</li> </ul>
Systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mass Properties</li> <li>Mission Cargo Manifest</li> </ul>

Integrated Analysis of End-to-End Mission Performed using Inputs/Models across Cygnus Subsystems

## Integrated Analysis N<sup>2</sup> Diagram

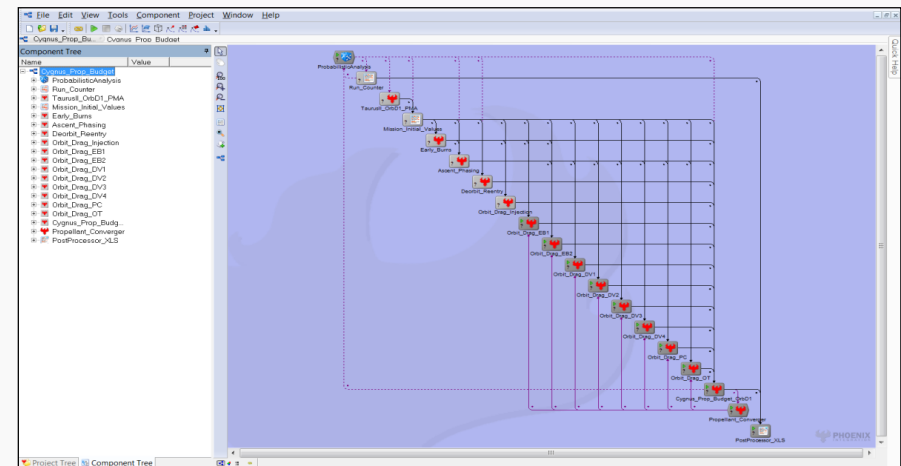
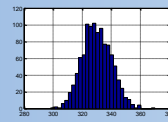


Implemented into **ModelCenter** for Integration & Probabilistic Analysis

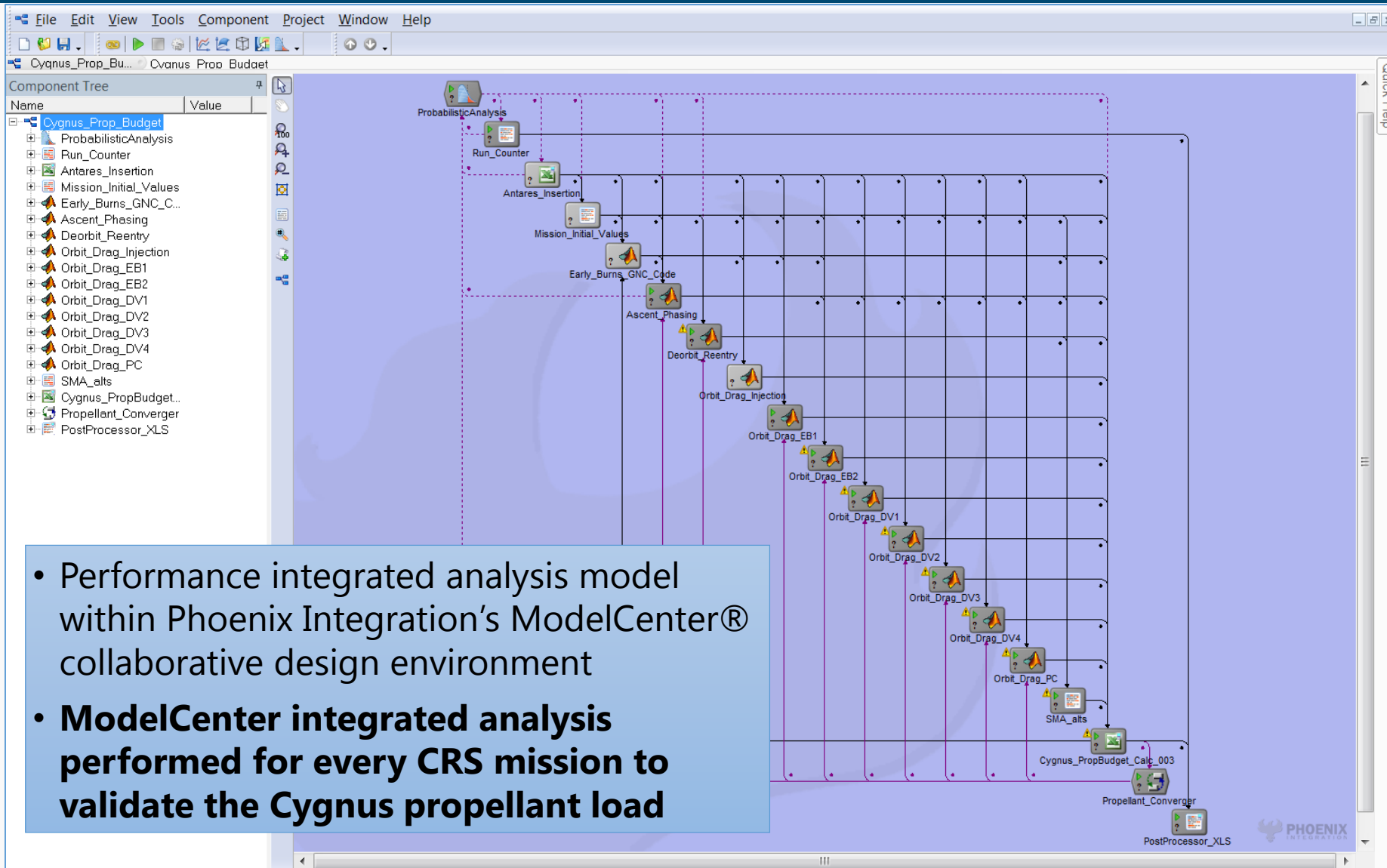
## Orb-4 Propellant Budget

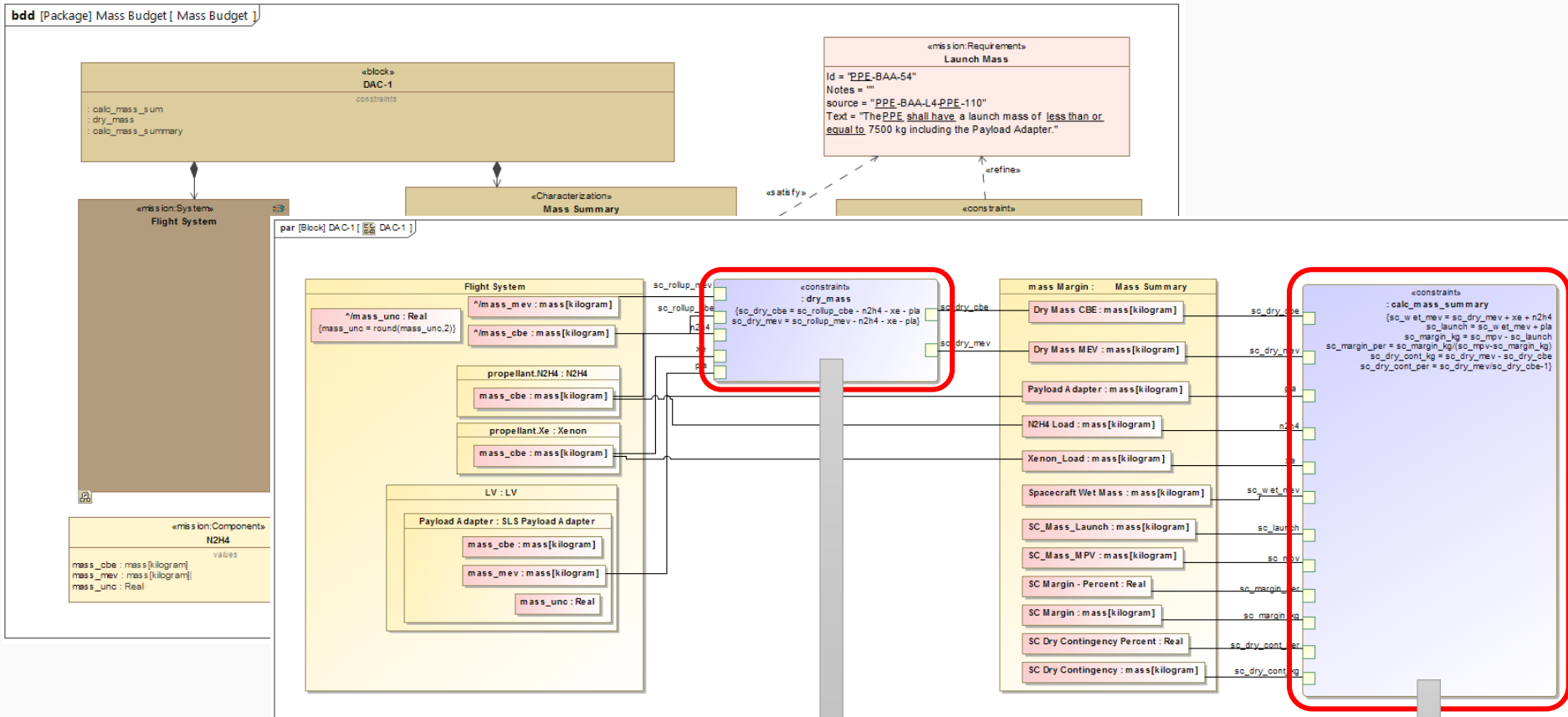
Maneuver	mean	+3 $\sigma$
Ascent Propellant		
Prox-Ops Propellant		
Deorbit/Reentry Propellant		
Residual Propellant		
Total Mission Propellant		

Propellant Budget Calculated from Probabilistic Analysis Statistics (1000+ runs)



# Cygnus Performance Integrated Analysis with ModelCenter

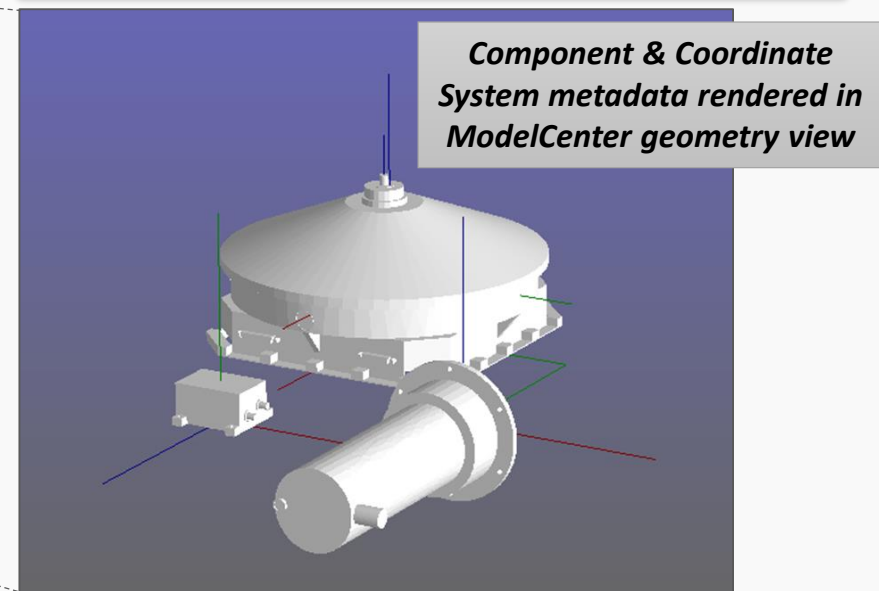
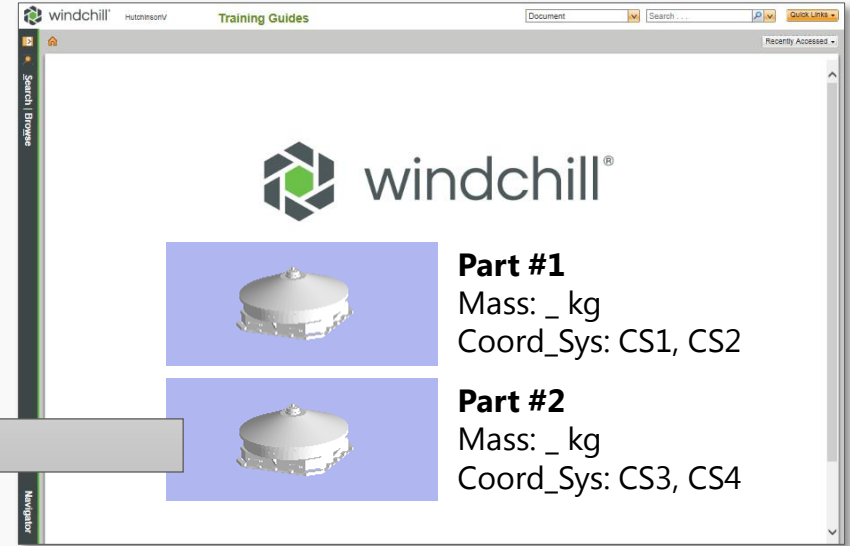
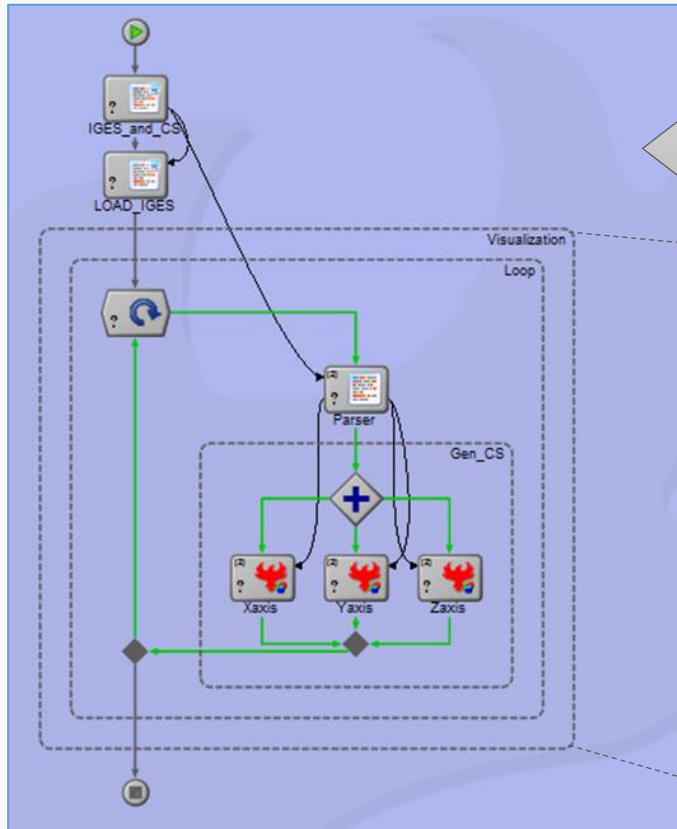




- Utilize ModelCenter to involve existing analysis tools with SysML parametric models



- Utilize ModelCenter to pull metadata from Product Lifecycle Management (PLM) databases like Windchill
- Metadata can be used for integrated analyses in ModelCenter





## **Summary**

- MBSE  $\neq$  SysML: MBSE is also managing integration of engineering efforts, providing capabilities to visualize data & information, and improve the performance & capabilities of engineering tools/processes.
- SSG has extensive experience performing multidisciplinary integrated analyses using Phoenix Integration ModelCenter
- ModelCenter integrated analysis performed for every CRS mission to validate the Cygnus propellant load

## **Continued Efforts**

- Integrating parametric analyses & trades into SysML models
- Extracting metadata (IGES files, coordinate systems, mass, etc.) from Windchill directly into integrated analysis models



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