**Modeling and Simulation Body of Knowledge (M&S BoK)** – **Index**

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**Professional Concerns in M&S**

**(Professionalism, Achievements, Progress, Challenges)**

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1. **Three Aspects of Professionalism in M&S**

Three aspects of professionalism in M&S and corresponding activities/knowledge needed are depicted in Figure 1 and summarized in the following Table 1:

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| 1.1 Generation of ***products*** *and/or* ***services***  to solve problems  (Industry) | 3.1 Professional and ethical ***conduct***  Both voluntary (responsibility)  and required (accountability) | | | 1.2 Generation & dissemination of ***knowledge***  (Academia, R&D) |
|  | 2.4 Application area(s) |  |
| 2.2 Science, Engineering & Technology | 2.1 **M&S *BoK***  (body of knowledge) | 2.3 Systems Engineering, (Project) Management |
|  | 2.5 Code of professional ethics |  |
| 3.2 ***Certification*** of:  *- Individuals* as M&S professionals  *- Companies* for their maturity levels | | |
| 1.3 ***Funding***  (Owner(s) of the project, governmental agencies, users, interest groups) | | | | |

Figure 1. Three Aspects of Professionalism in M&S

(1: activites, 2: knowledge, 3: conduct and monitoring)

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Table 1: Three aspects of professionalism in M&S and corresponding activities/knowledge

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| **Aspect** | **Activities/knowledge needed** |
| 1. **Activities** | 1.1 *Generation of* **products/services** *to solve problems* (Industry)  1.2 *Generation & dissemination* of **knowledge:** (Academia, R&D)  1.3 *Funding:* (Owner(s) of the project, governmental agencies, users, interest groups) |
| 1. **Knowledge** | **Knowledge to solve problems**  2.1 Knowledge of the M&S Body of Knowledge  (Core Elements of M&SBoK)  Knowledge of Supporting Domains:  2.2 Science, Engineering, Technology  2.3 Systems Engineering, (Project) Management  2.4 Knowledge of Application Area(s)  **2.5 Code of professional ethics** |
| 1. **Monitoring** | 3.1 Professional and ethical **conduct**  (both voluntary (responsibility) and required (accountability)   * 1. **Certification** of professionalism of   3.2.1 Individuals as M&S professionals  3.2.2 Companies for their maturity levels (yet to be specified) |

Hence, a practitioner (or a member of a team) of M&S needs to know the following three types of knowledge to solve problems:

(1)  knowledge of M&S that will be referred to as the core elements of M&S BoK, i.e., Body of Knowledge of M&S;

(2)  knowledge of supporting domains such as scientific, engineering, and technological knowledge as well as systems engineering and project management knowledge; and

(3)  knowledge of the application area(s), i.e., knowledge of existing or system of interest to be

engineered,

Furthermore, a practitioner of M&S needs to know and act according to a Code of professional ethics in his/her profession.

1. **Achievements**

 US [Congressional Caucus](http://forbes.house.gov/Biography/mscaucus.htm) for Modeling and Simulation

 US MSLS  - Modeling and Simulation Leadership Summit

 [SimSummit](http://www.sim-summit.org/Sim_Summit/default.htm" \t "_new)

 [Professional Ethics](http://www.site.uottawa.ca/~oren/SCS_Ethics/ethics.htm) (Page at [SCS](http://www.scs.org/ethics/)), [Code of Ethics](http://scs.org/upload/SCS%20Code%20of%20Ethics1.pdf), [Rationale](http://168.143.44.55/upload/scsEthicsCodeRationale.pdf)

 [Certification Program](http://www.simprofessional.org/" \t "_new) - for Individuals (M&S Professional Certification Program)

 Over 160 Associations / Organizations / Committees / Groups / Centers /

Military Organizations in M&S ([List](http://www.site.uottawa.ca/~oren/links-MS-AG.htm))

1. **Ongoing Progress**

 [M&SBOK](http://www.site.uottawa.ca/~oren/MSBOK/MSBOK-index.htm" \t "_new)

[](http://www.site.uottawa.ca/~oren/MSBOK/MSBOK-index.htm" \t "_new) [Workforce Development](http://www.scs.org/magazines/2010-04/index_file/Files/Tucker.pdf)

 Job Categorization

 Curriculum

 Perception of M&S from a Broad Perspective (Importance of a consolidated view)

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**4. Additional Challenges**

 Mutual Feedback: M&SBOK, Curricula, Workforce Development

 Perception of M&S from a Broad Perspective

    (Importance of a consolidated view)

 Exploring the Synergy of M&S with Relevant Knowledge Processing Fields

 Importance of the Consequences of M&S Studies

 Capability Maturity Models:

* for individuals
* for industry

 M&S Process and Product Improvement

    (Similar to [software process](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0136266231/qid=1137691376/sr=1-3/ref=sr_1_3/104-5113780-1111113?s=books&v=glance&n=283155) and product improvement)

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