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The Richness of Modeling and Simulation & its Body of Knowledge

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Possible opportunities & challenges

Some Motivations to see the **Big Picture**:

“The smaller a man, the closer his horizon”
(*John McLeod, founder of SCS*)

“The greater a person, the larger his horizon”
(*Tuncer Ören*)

Having a large horizon is desirable; but not sufficient.

Two important factors (biases):

- **Where we are** (*local bias*): At the North Pole, all directions point out the South!
- **Our perspective** (*cultural bias*):
 - “Horizon” is relevant if we are outside of a sphere;
 - When we are within a sphere, our **perspective** (**point of view**) & our **ability to discern** are relevant.

Simulation has well over 100 definitions!

Ören, T.I. (2011). [The Many Facets of Simulation through a Collection of about 100 Definitions](#). SCS M&S Magazine, 2:2 (April), pp. 82-92.

For any discipline, having that many definitions is not necessarily a testimony of richness.

Ören, T.I. (2011). [A Critical Review of Definitions and About 400 Types of Modeling and Simulation](#). SCS M&S Magazine, 2:3 (July), pp. 142-151.



Experiments and **experience** are the essence of modeling & simulation (M&S).

- Simulation is performing goal-directed **experiments** using a model of a dynamic system.
- Simulation is providing **experience**, by use of a representation (a model) of a system,
 - **to enhance** any one of three types of **skills** (**training**):
 - *motor skills* (by virtual simulation, or simulators),
 - *decision making and communication skills* (by constructive simulation, gaming simulation),
 - *operational skills* (by live simulation)
 - **for entertainment** purposes (simulation games)

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2.1 Simulation-based Science & Engineering

2.2 Simulation-based Social Sciences

2.3 Computational Neuroscience

2.4 Impact of Extreme-scale Computing in M&S

2.5 

2. Importance of M&S

➔ 2.1 Simulation-based Science & Engineering

*“Simulation-based engineering science (SBES) is a **well established and important** concept”* (Oden et al., 2006).

“Meaningful advances in SBES will require dramatic changes in science and engineering education” (p. 56).

➔ 2.2 Simulation-based Social Sciences

*Simulation-based social sciences **include** anthropology, archaeology, economics, geography, government, linguistics, management, political science, and sociology.*

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2.3 Computational Neuroscience

Computational neuroscience is a subfield of neuroscience that uses mathematical methods **to simulate and understand** the function of the nervous system (Scholarpedia).

"A *connectome* is a **comprehensive map of neural connections in the brain**" (Wiki-connectome).

"The *Human Connectome Project* aims to provide an unparalleled compilation of neural data, an interface to graphically navigate this data and the opportunity to achieve never before realized conclusions about **the living human brain**" (HCP).

Advanced simulation is **an integral part of the connectome project**.

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➔ 2.4 Impact of **Extreme-scale Computing** in M&S

Extreme scale computers are high-speed computers such as *teraflop*, *petaflop*, or *exaflop* computers.

They perform, respectively,

10^{12} (i.e., one thousand times one billion),

10^{15} (i.e., one million times one billion), or

10^{18} (i.e., one billion times one billion) floating point operations per second.

Simulations performed on these types of computers are called, *extreme-scale simulation*, *terascale simulation*, *petascale simulation*, or *exascale simulation*.

USA is working to realize an exascale computer.


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➔ 2.4 Impact of **Extreme-scale Computing** in M&S

As a practical importance of:

- ***petascale simulation***, one can point out that, if one billion entities are represented in a simulation model, every second, over a million fp operations can be performed for each object represented.

- ***exascale simulation***, one can point out that, if 100 billion entities (e.g., ***all neurons in a brain***) are represented in a simulation model, every second, over ***10 million floating point operations*** can be performed for each object represented.

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3. M&S & Education



Education for simulation

For simulationists

- Degree programs:
 - -bachelor, MS, PhD
- Professional training
- ...

Uniform curricula

Simulation for education




Practically in any field

- In Degree programs:
 - -bachelor, MS, PhD
- Professional training
- ...

Benefits of M&S for Ed.

Opportunities & Challenges for both:

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3. Richness of M&S



Over 500 terms denoting several types of simulation



3d simulation
A--
ab initio simulation
abstract simulation
academic simulation
accurate simulation
activity-based simulation
ad hoc distributed simulation
adaptive simulation
adaptive system simulation
adiabatic system simulation
advanced simulation
advanced distributed sim.
advanced numerical sim.
agent simulation
agent-based simulation
agent-based participatory sim.
agent-controlled simulation
agent-coordinated simulation
agent-directed simulation
agent-initiated simulation
agent-monitored simulation
agent-supported simulation
aggregate level simulation



biologically-inspired simulation
bio-nano simulation
block-oriented simulation
bond-graph simulation
branched simulation
built-in simulation
C--
case-based simulation
cellular automaton simulation
classical simulation
closed-form simulation
closed-loop simulation
cloud simulation
cloud-based simulation
cluster simulation
coercible simulation
cognitive simulation
co-kriging simulation
collaborative component-based simulation
collaborative distributed sim.
collaborative simulation
collaborative virtual sim.
collocated co-kriging sim.
collocated simulation
combined continuous-discrete

continuous simulation
continuous-change simulation
continuous-system simulation
continuous-time simulation
conventional simulation
convergent simulation
cooperative simulation
co-competition simulation
co-simulation
coupled simulation
credible simulation
critical event simulation
customizable simulation
customized simulation
D--
data-driven simulation
data-intensive simulation
decision simulation
degree 1 simulation
degree 2 simulation
degree 3 simulation
demon-controlled simulation
descriptive simulation
detached eddy simulation
deterministic simulation
DEVS simulation
digital analog simulation

Table 3. An Ontology-Based Dictionary of Understanding
Based on the Understanding **Process** and the **Metamodel** Used

Criteria		Types of understanding	Definitions & (explanations)
understanding process	directness	<i>apprehension (direct understanding)</i>	<i>Apprehension</i> is direct understanding or self-evidence.
		<i>comprehension (indirect understanding) (mediated understanding)</i>	<i>Comprehension</i> is indirect or mediated understanding.
		<i>- logical understanding</i>	<i>Logical understanding</i> is indirect understanding where logical inference is used as a means for the attainment of an understanding.
	direction	<i>top-down understanding</i>	<i>Top-down understanding</i> starts with background knowledge (meta-model) about an entity to gather knowledge about it.
		<i>bottom up understanding</i>	<i>Bottom up understanding</i> starts with an analysis or perception of an entity and maps relevant knowledge to a meta-model of it.
	Prece- dence	<i>sequential understanding</i>	Understanding done in sequence.
		<i>parallel understanding</i>	Understanding done in parallel.
	modality	<i>unimodal understanding</i>	Understanding one modality at a time. (e.g., text, picture, or gesture.)
		<i>multimodal understanding</i>	Understanding more than one modality simultaneously.
	dependability	<i>robust understanding</i>	Understanding by a system that has the ability to recover gracefully from the whole range of exceptional inputs and situations in a given environment.
		<i>brittle understanding</i>	Understanding by a system which is functional but easily broken by changes in operating environment or configuration, or by any minor tweak to the software itself. (Also, any system that responds inappropriately and disastrously to abnormal but expected external stimuli.)
	accumulation of knowledge	<i>tabula rasa understanding (re-initialized understanding)</i>	<i>Tabula rasa understanding</i> does not depend on the results (products) of previous understanding process(es). (At the beginning of an understanding process, any remnant understanding from previous understanding process(es) is ignored.)
		<i>cumulative understanding</i>	<i>Cumulative understanding</i> builds up an understanding on top of previous understanding(s).


3. Richness of M&S


- ➔ • ***Number of terms in the M&S domain:***
 - an early (English-French-Turkish) M&S dictionary had about 4000 terms. 2006, Marseille, France.
 - The English-Chinese M&S dictionary has over  9000 terms. (In Press, Beijing, China) (with contributions of 30 Chinese scholars)
 - The English-French-Italian-Spanish-Turkish  version which is being prepared has over 10000 terms and contributions of about 80 volunteers.

3. Richness of M&S

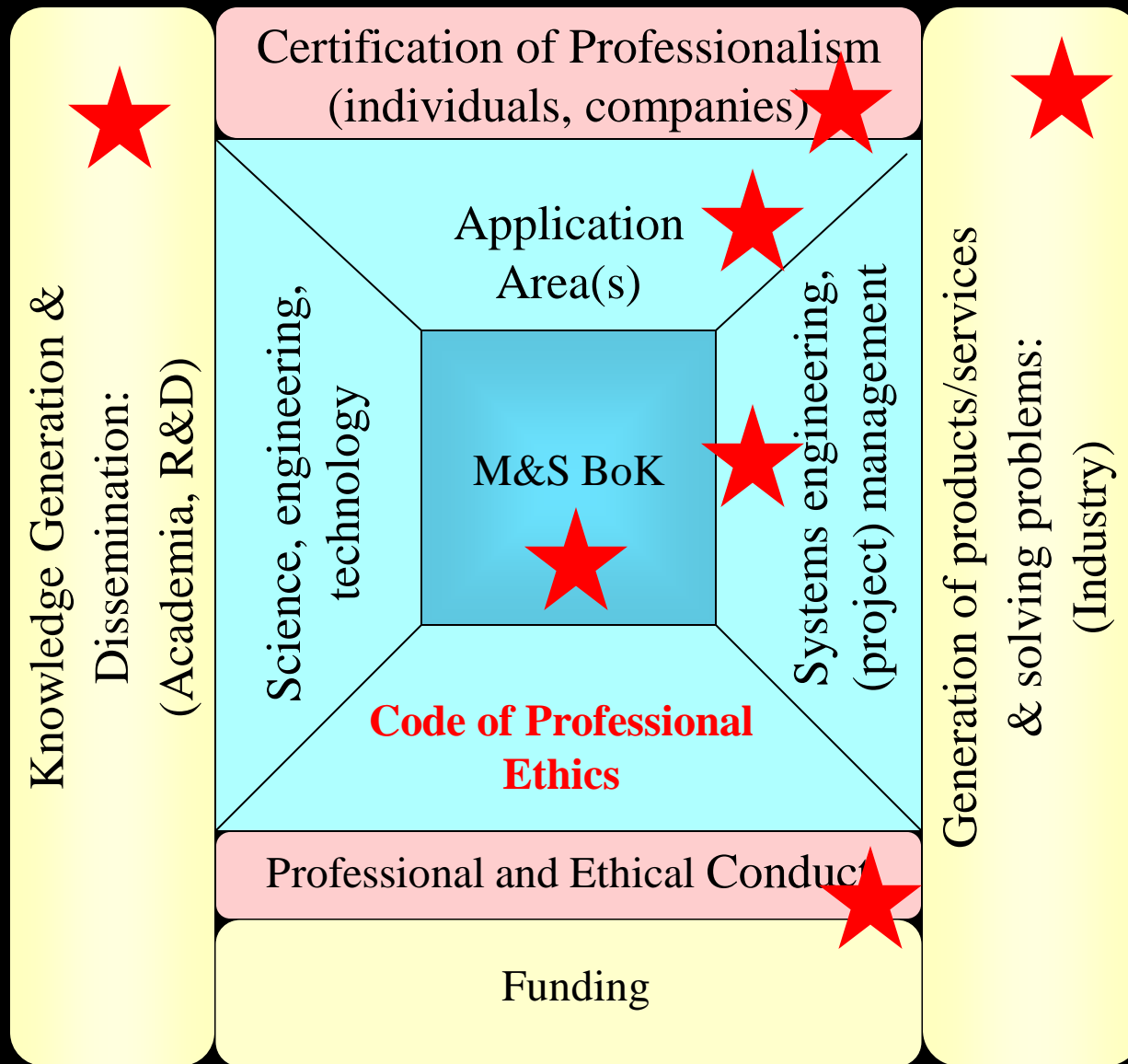
- There are many articles about comprehensive views of M&S.

<http://www.site.uottawa.ca/~oren/pubsList/MSBOK.pdf>

- **Gaming simulation** can also be combined to explore experimentation for scientific research. An example is  eyewire project of MIT which is gamified for crowdsourcing to have large cooperation of simulation game players to explore how connectomes of retina work (Anthony, 2012; eyewire).

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3 Aspects of Professionalism in M&S:



- 1. Knowledge:**
- 1.1 To solve problems:**
- M&S BoK
 - Science, Eng., technology
 - Systems Eng., management
 - Application Area(s)
- 1.2 How to behave as a simulationist**
- Code of Professional Ethics

- 2. Activities:**
- 1.1 Knowledge Generation & Dissemination: (Academia, R&D)
- 1.2 Generation of products /services & solving problems (Industry)
- 1.3 Funding

- 3. Monitoring:**
- 3.1 Professional and Ethical Conduct
- 3.2 Certification of Professionalism

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6. Stakeholders of M&S

Table 1: Stakeholders of M&S

Stakeholders of M&S BoK	
Individuals	• Researchers / educators
	• Practitioners
	• Experienced learners
	• Novice learners
	• Customers / users of products / services
	• People (to be) affected by simulation projects (done or not yet done)
	• Industrialists
Institutions	• Government organizations
	• Non-profit organizations
	• Agencies for licensing or certification (of individuals / organizations)
	• Funding agencies
	• Professional societies
	• Standardization organizations
	• Educational institutions
	• Industrial / professional groups / centers
• Commercial organizations	
Discipline and market	
Countries	

International Federation of M&S

SIEI (similar to DII)
(Simulation Industry Ethical Initiative)

Urgently needed

Importance of Modeling & Simulation (M&S)

USA

The Senate declared it as a critical technology

- **High Level Recognition of M&S:**
US Congressional Modeling and Simulation [Caucus](#)
([News](#)) (Congressman J. Randy [Forbes](#))
- **As a testimony of high level recognition of M&S see:**
USA - [House Resolution 487](#) (2007 July 16)
USA - Enhancing SIMULATION
(**S**afety **I**n **M**edicine **U**tilizing **L**eading **A**dvanced
Simulation **T**echnologies to **I**mprove **O**utcomes **N**ow)
Act of 2009 – [H.R. 855/S. 616](#) (2009 February 4)
USA - A companion bill - S. 616 (2009 March 17)

Importance of Modeling & Simulation (M&S)

China



- Since 1985, most universities in China have **master and Ph.D programs** on the direction of modeling and simulation technology under related discipline such as computer science, mathematics, mechanical engineering, and automation.
- According to the investigation of CASS (China Association for System Simulation), during the last decade, there are **85,964 master students** and **19,657 Ph.D students** graduated from system modeling and simulation technology in the top 100 universities in China.
- Modeling and simulation technology is being considered to be **established as a first class discipline** by the Ministry of Education of China under the proposal of most Chinese universities and CASS ^[1].

Bo Hu Li, Lin Zhang, Zongji Chen, Tianyuan Xiao and Jingye Wang (2010)
[Simulation Science and Technology in China](#)
SCS M&S Magazine, vol. 1, issue 3 (July)

Stakeholders of M&S: Countries / Unions


USA: declared M&S as a critical discipline

China: acknowledges M&S's importance 

European Union 

may benefit from

- **the declaration of M&S as a critical area for the well being of Europeans**

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7. M&S Body of Knowledge (BoK)



7.1 Preliminary

- A body of knowledge (BoK) of a discipline is “structured knowledge that is used by members of a discipline to guide their practice or work” (Ören, 2006).

7. M&S Body of Knowledge (BoK)

7.1 Preliminary

- A **BoK Index** is a set of systematically organized pointers to the content of a BoK.
- Desired BoK Index features include:
 - Supporting a variety of users within the M&S Community of Practice (CoP)
 - Identifying and providing access to BoK topics/content
 - Providing configuration-managed views to content that changes over time"

(Lacy and Waite, 2011)

Among other benefits, M&S BoK would allow us **systematic exploration** of many **opportunities** and **challenges**. ★

Cartesian approach may be useful!

→ Cartesian Approach:

René Descartes: “Discours de la méthode pour bien conduire sa raison, et chercher la verité dans les sciences” (1637).

(However, when needed we can also be pragmatic.

Remember for a camera, infinity is about after 20 meters.)

- The **first** was *to never accept anything as true which I could not accept as obviously true*; that is to say, to carefully avoid impulsiveness and prejudice, and to include nothing in my conclusions but whatever was so clearly presented to my mind that I could have no reason to doubt it.

Cartesian Approach:

Furthermore,

avoid the trap of single-vision understanding
which may lead to **dogmatic understanding**.

(More on several **types of understanding**:

Ören, T.I. (2000 – Invited Opening Paper).
Understanding: A Taxonomy and Performance
Factors. In: D. Thiel (ed.) Proc. of FOODSIM'2000,
June 26-27, 2000, Nantes, France. SCS, San Diego,
CA, pp. 3-10.)

Cartesian Approach:

- The **second** was to **divide each of the problems** I was examining in as many parts as I **could**, as many as **should** be necessary to solve them.
- The **third**, to **develop my thoughts in order**, beginning with the simplest and easiest to understand matters, in order to reach by degrees, little by little, to the most complex knowledge, assuming an orderliness among them which did not at all naturally seem to follow one from the other.

Cartesian Approach:

- And the **last** resolution was to make my **enumerations so complete** and my **reviews so general** that I could be assured that I had **not omitted anything**.

7. M&S Body of Knowledge (BoK)

7.1 Preliminary

 7.2 BoK of Other Disciplines

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7.2

Body of Knowledge of Other Areas

Business/Management

BA - [Business Analysis](#) Body of Knowledge

EA - Guide to the [Enterprise Architecture](#) Body of Knowledge

IT - [Information Technology](#) Body of Knowledge

UR - [Utility Regulation](#) Body of Knowledge

Civil Engineering

CE (Civil [Engineering](#)) Body of Knowledge

Database

Towards a [Database Body of Knowledge](#)

Family and Consumer Sciences

Body of Knowledge for [Family and Consumer Sciences](#)

Geography

[Geographic Information Science and Technology](#) Body of Knowledge

Mechanical Engineering

Body of Knowledge for [Mechanical Engineering](#)

Medicine

Guide to the Body of Knowledge for [Medical Practice Management](#)

Building the [Drug Safety](#) Body of Knowledge

7.2 BoK of Other Disciplines

Project Management

NPD - [New Product Development](#) Body of Knowledge

PM - [Project Management](#) Body of Knowledge

PM-APM - [Project Management](#) Body of Knowledge (APM)

PM - Project Management Body of Knowledge: [Guide](#)

Quality

Q - Body of [Quality Knowledge](#)

QPI - Body of Knowledge in Quality and Performance Improvement ([database](#))

NBICE - Body of Knowledge for [National Board Inspector Commission Examination](#)

ASQ (American Society for Quality) [Six Sigma](#) Body of Knowledge

ASQ (American Society for Quality) [Quality Technician Certification](#) Body of Knowledge

TT - Towards Building a Solid Body of Knowledge in [Testing Techniques](#)

7.2 BoK of Other Disciplines

Safety

Beginning of Define a Body of Knowledge for [Safety Practitioners](#)

White Paper of the Body of Knowledge of the American Society of [Safety Engineers Council](#) on Practices and Standards

Software Engineering/Computer Science

SE - Guide to Body of Knowledge of [Software Engineering](#)

PSP ([Personal Software Process](#)) Body of Knowledge

SQM - Body of Knowledge for [Software Quality Measurement](#)

SA - Creating a [Software Assurance](#) Body of Knowledge

CST - Common Body of Knowledge for the [Certified Software Tester](#)

SRT - Replicated Studies: Building a BOK About [Software Reading Techniques](#)

CS - Overview of the [Computer Science](#) Body of Knowledge

Systems Engineering

SE - Guide to [Systems Engineering](#) Body of Knowledge

ISE - Towards an [Information Systems Engineering](#) Body of Knowledge

DISE - (US Department of Energy) Departmental Information Systems Engineering (DISE):

Lifecycle: [vol 1](#), Guidance: [vol 2](#)

[ISSEP](#) (Information Systems Security Engineering Professionals Body of Knowledge)

Usability


[Usability](#) Body of Knowledge

Utility Infrastructure

BoKIR - Body of Knowledge on [Infrastructure Regulation](#)

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M&SBOK: Early and Contemporary Studies



Due to its importance and timeliness, several studies on M&SBOK preparation have been under way. Some of them are:

An early study was developed by the Technical Committee on Simulation of the IEEE Computer Society (CS-TCSim-BOK). However, this study did not have an impact on the discipline.

One of the on-going efforts is the establishment of a clearinghouse as well as contribution to the M&SBOK studies by an avid supporter of the M&SBOK studies, i.e., B. Waite (Aegis DocuShare). Many Workshops are organized (e.g., Waite and Skinner 2003, Waite 2004).

Fairchild (2002) presented his version of M&SBOK by partitioning it in four areas:

- (1) Simuland: What is simulated,
- (2) Purpose: Why it is simulated,
- (3) Technique: How it is simulated (solution method, execution control, interfacing –inputs and outputs–, classical mathematics, and soft computing),
- (4) Programmatic: How it is controlled (technology and management).

Birta published an M&SBOK (Birta, Birta 2003) which caused Elzas to publish a critique (Elzas).

Studies elaborating on an “ideal simulationist” such as reports (Madewell and Swain 2003, Rogers 1997) and their critiques also contain valuable information.

A section at the references –titled M&SBOK – Early Studies & Other Contributions– is dedicated for this purpose.

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M&SBOK - Early Studies & Other Contributions

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7.3 Previous & On-going Studies/Activities

http://www.msco.mil/documents/25_M&S%20BOK%20-%2020101022%20Dist%20A.pdf



Department of Defense

**Modeling and Simulation
Body of Knowledge (BOK)**

- Interwoven with Bloom's taxonomy of learning.
- Limited usefulness

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- Background
- Core Areas of the M&S BoK
- Supporting Domains
- References

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• **Background**

Publications, Presentations and other relevant activities of Dr. Tuncer Ören on:

- Modeling and Simulation *Body of Knowledge* (M&S BoK) &
- *Comprehensive and Integrative View* of M&S (Big Picture)

<http://www.site.uottawa.ca/~oren/pubsList/MSBOK.pdf>

(Since 2005, 20 publications & 14 presentations)

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

Draft Version 11b

(In version 11, major changes have been made;
In version 11b, some minor changes are made and some links are updated)
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(The format is especially chosen to reveal the structure and the content of the M&SBOK index)

Please also consider:

[Modeling and Simulation Body of Knowledge Index:](#)

[An Invitation for the Final Phases of its Preparation,](#)

M&S Magazine of SCS, Vol. 1, Issue 4 (October 2010), by Tuncer Ören and Bill Waite

Publication and Presentations of Dr. Tuncer Ören on [M&SBOK](#)

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<http://www.site.uottawa.ca/~oren/MSBOK/MSBOK-index.pdf>

Part 1. Background

(Preliminary, Introduction, Terminology, Comprehensive View)

1.1 Preliminary

M&SBOK Development [Project](#)

[Version History](#) and Milestone Reports

[Members](#) of the Review Committee

[Recommendations](#) by Members of the Review Committee

1.2 Introduction

Some [Vision Quotations](#)

High level Recognition of M&S

- US Congressional Modeling and Simulation [Caucus](#)
- US [House Resolution 487](#) (2007 July 16)
- [M&S in China](#)

[Stakeholders](#) and Possible Interests for M&SBOK

- M&S [Associations and Organizations](#)
- For a comprehensive World Medical Simulation Centre Database click [here](#) then select the region on the map
- [Individuals, Certified Simulationists](#)
- Workforce Development

- Professional Certification for:
 - CMSP (Certified Modeling and Simulation Professional) designation:
M&SPCC – M&S Professional Certification Commission

Professional Concerns

(**P**rofessionalism, **A**chievements, **P**rogress, and **C**hallenges)

Why an M&SBOK? Rationale and Possible Usages - Some Views

M&SBOK: Early and Contemporary Studies

Presentation Formats of: Other BOK studies, as well as M&S BOK studies

1.3 Terminology

Background: Definitions of "Definition"

Some M&S Definitions: On Internet:

From Defense-Related Sources and From Civilian Sources, Suggested in this Study

Ören, T.I. (2011). The Many Facets of Simulation through a Collection of about 100 Definitions.

SCS M&S Magazine, 2:2 (April), pp. 82-92.

Ören, T.I. (2011). A Critical Review of Definitions and About 400 Types of Mode and Simulation.

SCS M&S Magazine, 2:3 (July), pp. 142-151.

Collections of Special Terms

- An Inventory of over 8400 M&S Terms
- Terms and Concepts Related with Simulation and Similarity
- Terms Related with Experiment, Experience and Training



M&S Dictionaries

- List of M&S Dictionaries
- M&SNet's M&S Dictionary Project
 - version 1: English-French-Turkish (over 4000 terms)
 - version 2: English-French-Italian-Spanish-Turkish (over 10 000 terms, in preparation)
 - version 3: English-Chinese (about 9000 terms, in press)

Ontology-Based Dictionaries

- Ontology-Based Dictionary of V&V (rationale and an example)
- Ontology-Based Dictionary of Understanding
- Ontology-Based Dictionaries of Other M&S Terms

1.4 Comprehensive View

Challenges and Benefits of a Comprehensive and Consolidated View of M&S



Different perspectives, Domain-independent Application Areas

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Part 2. M&S BOK Core Areas



Science / Methodology

Types of simulation

Life cycles of M&S

Computers & Computation

Technology

Infrastructure

Reliability

Ethics,

Maturity

History

Trends

Challenges, and Desirable Features

Enterprise

2.1 Science / Methodology

Data

Issues

(types of data and terms related with data) (over 260 terms)

Variables (types of variables and terms related with variables) (over 160 terms)

-- Input Variables (types of inputs and terms related with inputs) (over 110 terms)

Values (types of values and terms related with values) (over 90 terms)

Models & Modeling Formalisms

Models (types of models and terms related with models) (over 1100 terms)

Issues: Reusability, Interoperability, Composability, Dynamic composability

Conceptual models and Conceptual modeling

Taxonomy of simulation models

Modeling formalisms (list of modeling formalisms)

Modeling physical systems

(By Prof. Dr. François [Cellier](#) (in [English](#), in [German](#), in [Spanish](#))

Modeling qualitative systems

Model Building

Modeling

Model composition (and dynamic model composition)

Model-base Management

Model search, semantic model search

Model integrity

Model Parameters and Parameter-base Management

Parameters, Auxiliary parameters

Deterministic parameters, Stochastic parameters

Model Characterization (Descriptive model analysis)

for Model comprehensibility

-- Model documentation (static and dynamic documentations)

-- Model ventilation (to examine its assumptions, deficiencies, limitations, etc.)

for Model usability

-- Model referability

Model Evaluation (Evaluative Model Analysis)

Model evaluation with respect to:

A Modeling Formalism (Consistency of model representation)

Evaluation of:

(Static structure of: component models, Coupled models, Models of system of systems)

(Dynamic structure of: state transitions, Output function(s),

Structural change, Dynamic coupling)

Model robustness

Another Model (Model Comparison)

Structural model comparison

- Model *verification* (Types of and techniques and tools for model verification)
- Model checking (for homomorphism, isomorphism, endomorphism)
- Model equivalencing

Behavioral model comparison (under same or different scenarios)

Real System (For Analysis Problems)

Technical System Specifications (For Design and Control Problems)

Model qualification (model realism, model adequacy, model correctness analysis)

Model *validity*

(Types of and techniques and tools for model validity)

Goal of the Study

Model relevance (domain of intended application(s),; range of applicability of a model)

Model Transformation

Types of model transformation (copying, reduction, pruning, simplification, elaboration, isomorphism, homomorphism, endomorphism)

Experimentation (Main issues related with experimentation)

(types of experimentation and terms related with experimentation)

(over 100 terms)

Statistical Design of Experiments

Computer-Aided Systems for Design of Experiments

Computer-Aided Systems for Execution of Experiments

Data compression techniques (deterministic, stochastic)

Analysis of simulation data

Model Behavior (Main issues related with model behavior)

(types of model behavior and terms related with behavior)

(over 120 terms)

Types of Model Behavior

Generation of Model Behavior

Processing of Model Behavior

2.2 Types of Simulations (types of simulation and terms related with simulation)

(over 850 terms)

2.3 Life Cycles of M&S

for Experimentation

to Gain Experience for Training to enhance
motor skills (virtual simulation: simulators, virtual simulators)

to Gain Experience for Training to enhance:
decision-making and communication skills
(constructive simulation - serious games: business gaming, war gaming, peace gaming)

to Gain Experience for Training to enhance:
operational skills (live simulation)

for Entertainment (simulation games)

2.4 Technology

M&S languages

M&S tools and environments

Computer-Aided Problem Solving Environments

(for Modeling, Model Processing, Program Generation, Experimentation, and Problem Solving)

2.5 Infrastructure

Standards

Code of Best Practice

Lessons Learned

Resource Repositories

2.6 Reliability & QA of M&S and types of:

Errors (types of errors and terms related with errors)

(over 200 terms)

Validation (types of validation and terms related with validation)

(over 50 terms)

Verification (types of verification and terms related with verification)

Built-in Quality Assurance

Failure Avoidance

2.7 Ethics

(at [SCS](#)) (at [Tuncer Ören's site](#))

2.8 History

2.9 Trends, Challenges, and Desirable Features

2.10 Enterprise

2.11 Maturity

M&S: Ethics

- <http://www.site.uottawa.ca/~oren/pubsList/ethics.pdf>
- <http://www.scs.org/ethics/>

A **Code of Ethics** (by SCS) for Professional Simulationists exist .

The **Code is adopted by:**

- Society for Modeling and Simulation International
- Mcleod Institute of Simulation Sciences
- McLeod Modeling and Simulation Network
- Simulation Interoperability Standards Organization
- Alabama Modeling and Simulation Council
- Student Chapters of the SCS
- NATO Modeling and Simulation Group
- DLM . . .

M&S: History

Hardware:

Analog simulation: Differential analyzer

Hybrid simulation

Digital simulation

Software: languages, tools, techniques, environments

M&S languages: Early languages and their critique

M&S environments: Conventional, AI support

Applications

Canon ball problem

Simulators: First pilot trainer of Link (1929)

Early applications: Space flight simulations

Techniques:

Visualization for simulators, synthetic environments

Part 3. M&S BOK: Supporting Domains (Independent of the Application Areas)

Computers and Computation, Science Areas, Engineering Areas, Management Areas
Mutual Contributions of M&S

3.1 Computers and Computation

Impact of Computers

- Digital, hybrid, analog; mobile, cloud
- Extreme scale computers (petascale simulation, exascale simulation)

Synergies **Soft Computing** and M&S

- Fuzzy logic and simulation
- Neural networks and simulation

Synergies of **Artificial Intelligence & M&S**

Agent-Directed Simulation

- [Agent-based models](#)
- Agent simulation (and agent-initiated simulation)
- Agent-supported simulation
- Agent-based simulation

3.2 Supporting Science Areas

Systems Science

Physics

Mathematics (Differential Equations, Numerical Analysis, Probability, Statistics)

Queuing Theory

3.3 Supporting Engineering Areas

Systems Engineering

Visualization

3.4 Supporting Management Areas

Enterprise Management

Project Management

Product Management

3.5 Education

Education

Part 4. References

(See also: M&S BoK [Sharepoint](#) of SimSummit)

M&S [Portals](#)

Social Network - [Ning](#) by Prof. Dr. Gabriel Wainer

M&S [Blogs](#)

Google [News on Simulation](#)

References [by Authors](#)

References [by Application Areas](#)

References [by Topics](#) including:

Body of Knowledge

- BOK of Other Areas
- M&SBOK - Early Studies & Other Contributions
- M&SBOK - Recent Contributions
- Dr. Tuncer Ören's publications and activities on M&SBOK


M&S

- Master Plans
- Dictionaries
- Epistemology
- Ontologies
- Taxonomies
- Standards

- Composability
- Reusability
- Interoperability
- Conceptual Models

M&S &

- Systems Engineering
- Simulation Professionals & Needed Qualifications

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**M&S offers
many opportunities & challenges
to solve problems of
unprecedented complexities.**

As simulationists, we can continue to:

- 1. sharpen our tools,**
- 2. abide by ethics, &**
- 3. offer our services.**

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