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Software for
virtual system
prototyping,
simulation, and
control.

Integration of CAE Tools for Complete System Prototyping

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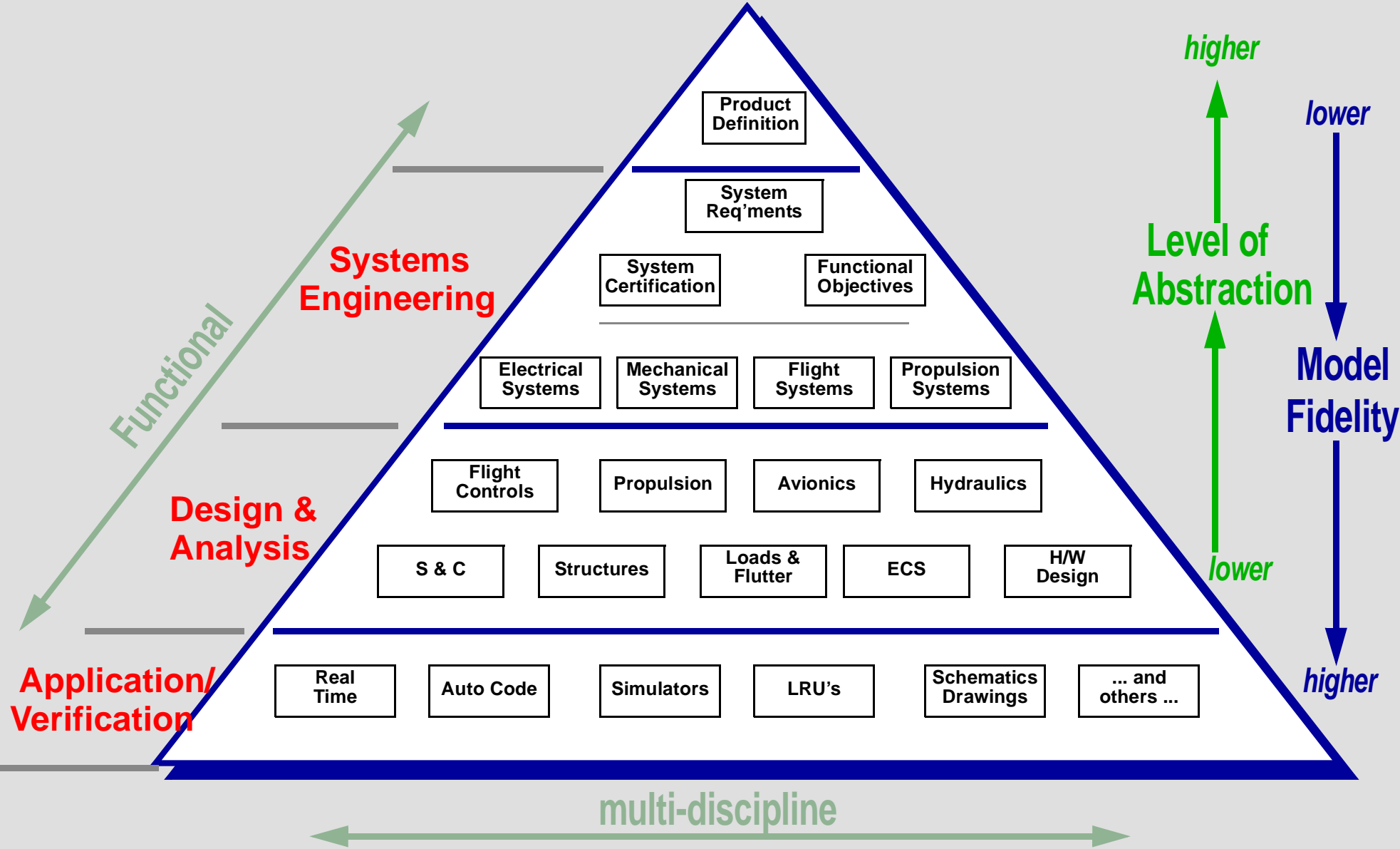
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- **Provide a framework to support other presentations**
 - **define concepts**
 - **outline different methods for integrating CAE tools**
 - **survey current tools and practices**
- **Methods of integrating CAE tools**
 - **static data integration**
 - **co-simulation**
 - **coupled-simulation**
- **EASY5's Integration of Engineering Tools**

- **What's driving integrated systems modeling and engineering?**
 - need to be streamline engineering process: companies have many different engineering tools, methods and processes
 - goal: reduce time to market
 - promise: complete system prototyping
- **What is virtual system prototyping?**
 - modeling of entire systems, from systems level down to detailed subsystems
 - goal: produce a complete virtual system prototype - a computer model
 - use computer models to design, analyze, simulate, test entire system before "cutting metal"
 - prototype: increase design iterations, validate design, reduce h/w testing costs
- **Requirements for system prototyping**
 - ability to integrate systems modeling tools - apply broad array of computer-aided engineering (CAE) tools
 - create an integrated engineering environment

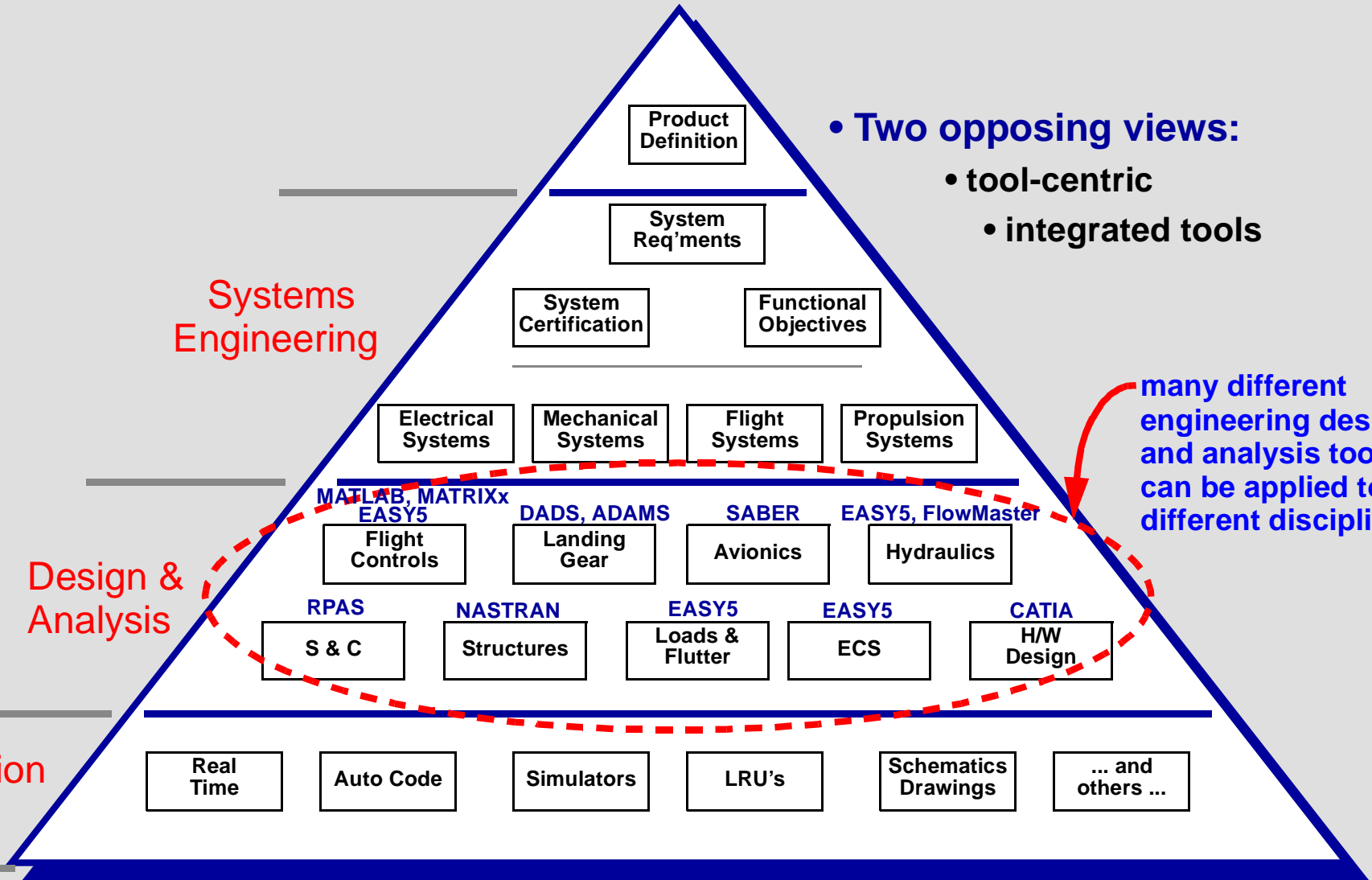
Overview of the Engineering Environment

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Selecting Design and Analysis Tools

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- Two opposing views:
 - tool-centric
 - integrated tools

multi-discipline

Survey of Design & Simulation Tools

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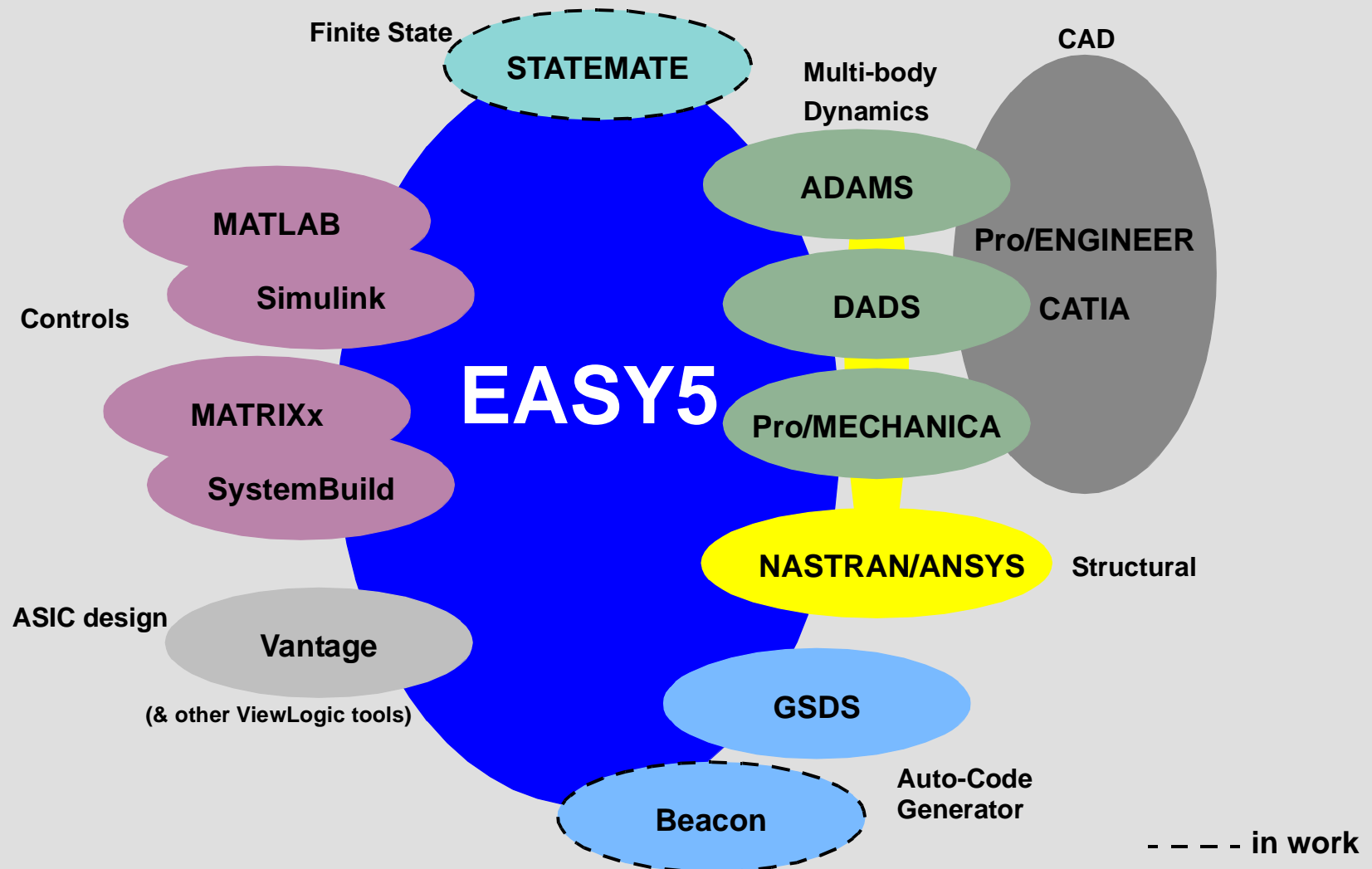
Partial list of simulation-based tools

Engineering Disciplines	MATLAB	MATRIXx	EASY5	SABER	FlowMaster	ADAMS, DADS Pro/Mechanica	VANTAGE	STATEMATE
Controls								
Finite State	StateFlow	BetterState						
Mechanical								
Electric Circuits								
Integrated Circuits								
Electric Machinery								
Pneumatics								
Powertrain								
Hydraulics								
Auto-Code								
Real Time								

EASY5 Chose the Integrated Tools Approach

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- Over 6 years of experience integrating CAE tools with EASY5.
- Tools are integrated using our “Extensions” feature.

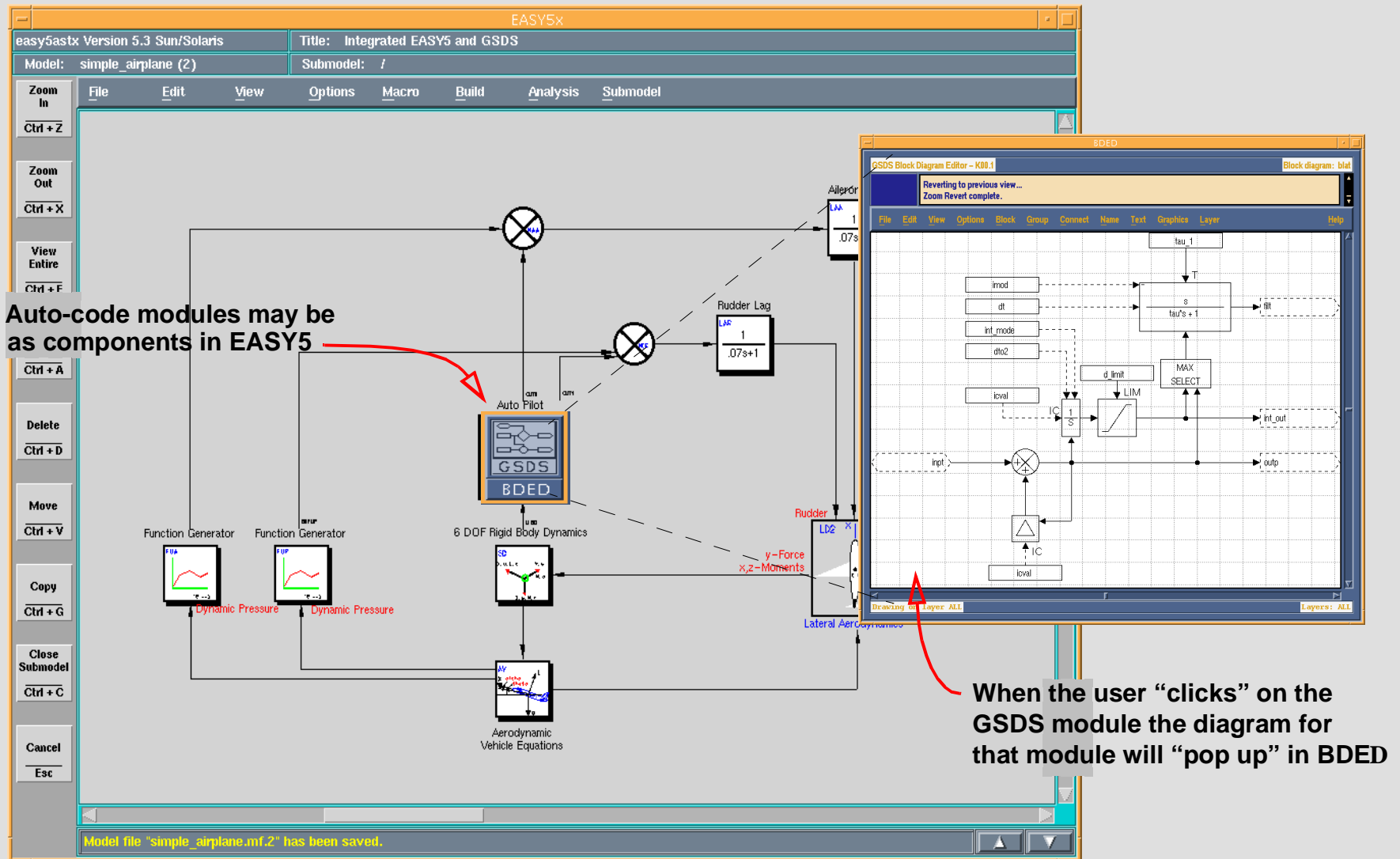


- What is the EASY5 “Extension” ?
 - a special component that provides the “s/w hooks” for other CAE tools to integrate with EASY5
 - from user’s point-of-view it provides a seamless integration of tools
- Provides an open architecture and published API for integrating other tools with EASY5.

Example of Extensions: Integration of EASY5 and GSDS

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GSDS Auto-code modules may be added as components in EASY5



When the user "clicks" on the GSDS module the diagram for that module will "pop up" in BDED

- Presentation on EASY5 and GSDS integration to be given by Mike Bingle.

Extensions Expands EASY5's Application Domain

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(1) linked with DADS, ADAMS, Pro/Mechanica

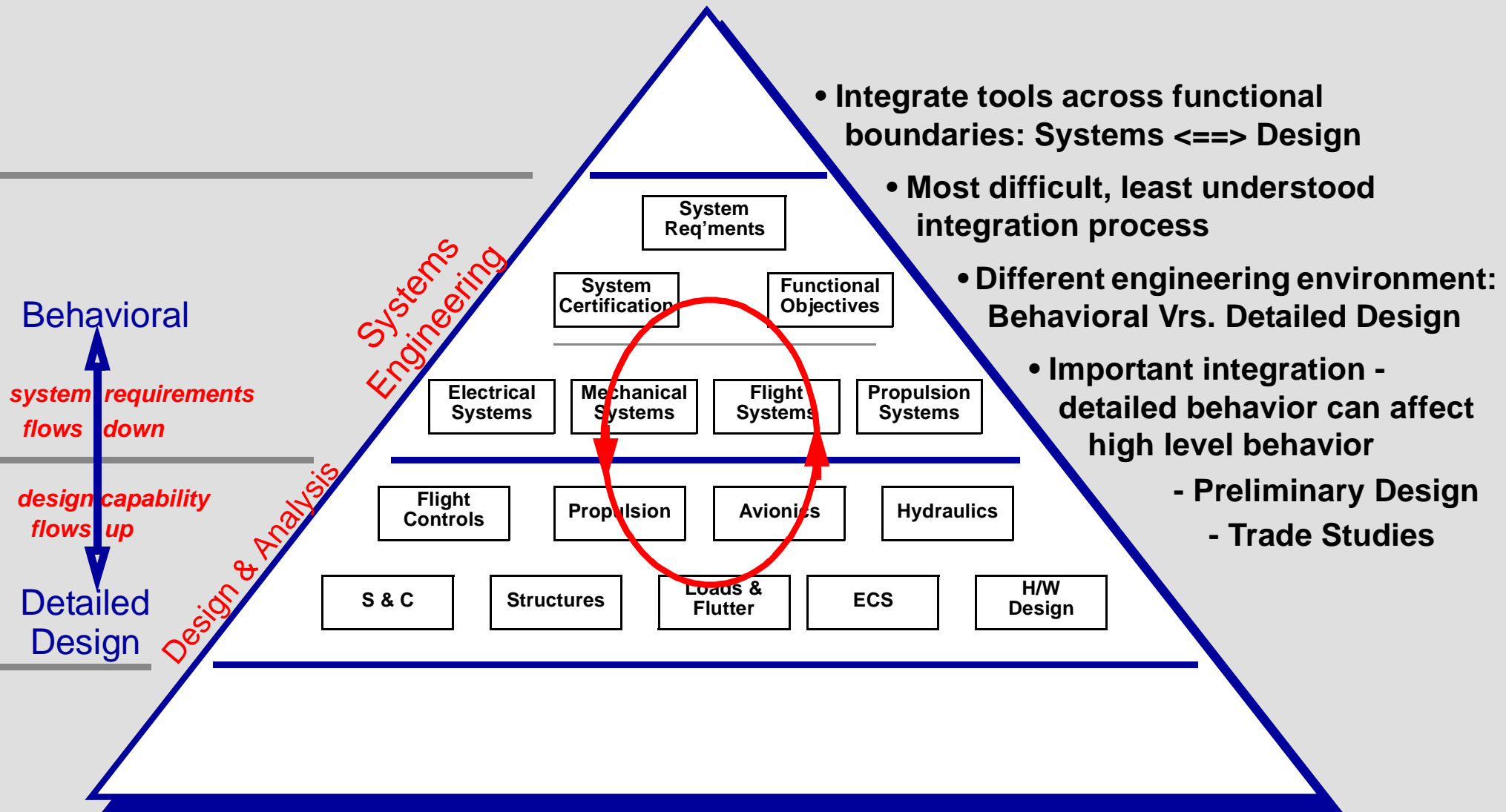
(2) integrated with DADS, ADAMS, Pro/Mechanica

embedded tool =	
linked/integrated with external tool =	

Cross-Functional Integration of Tools

Bridging the Gap Between Systems & Design

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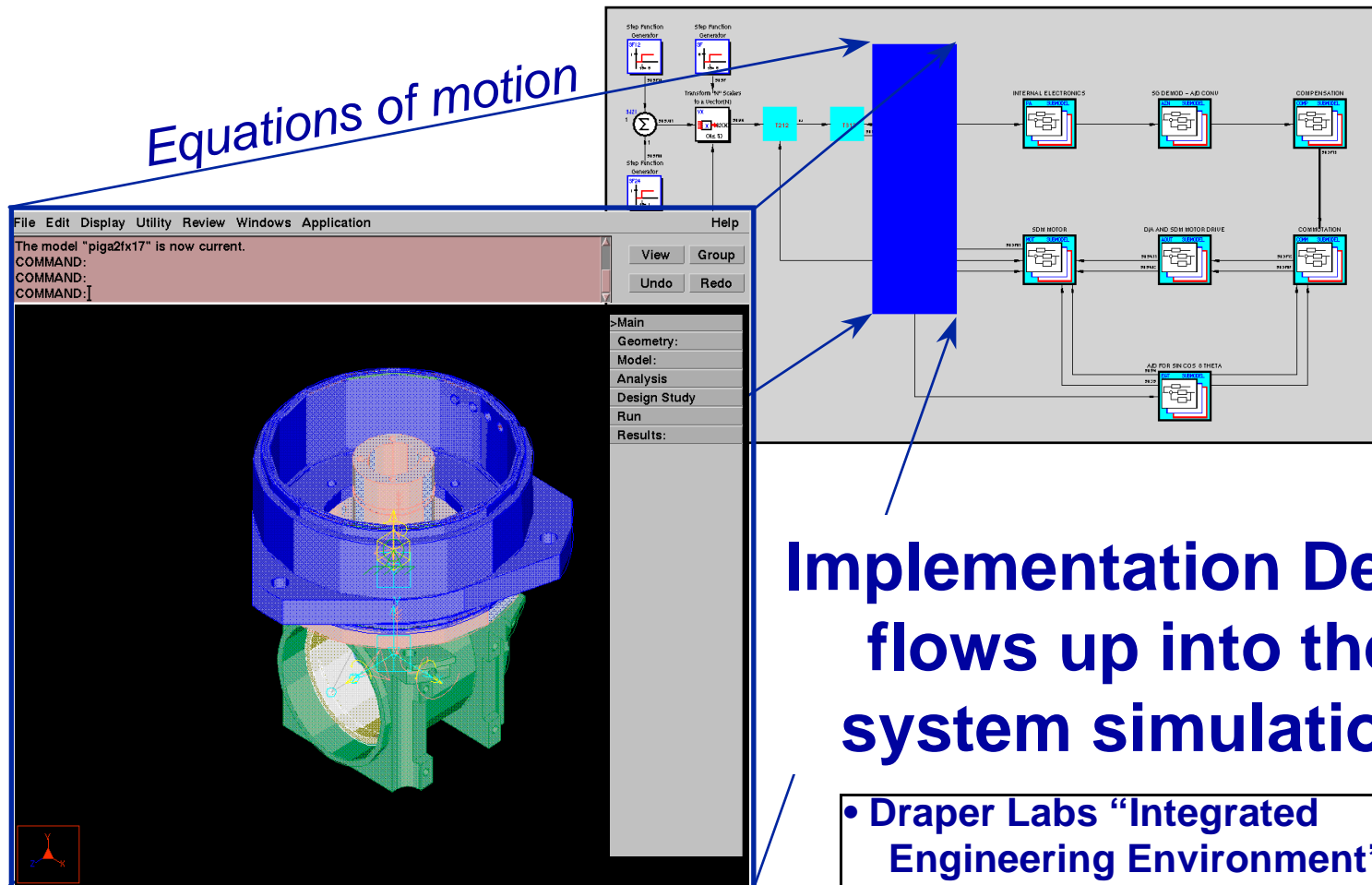
Example of Cross-Functional Integration

Draper Labs IEE Program

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Precision Instrument Simulation

Equations of motion



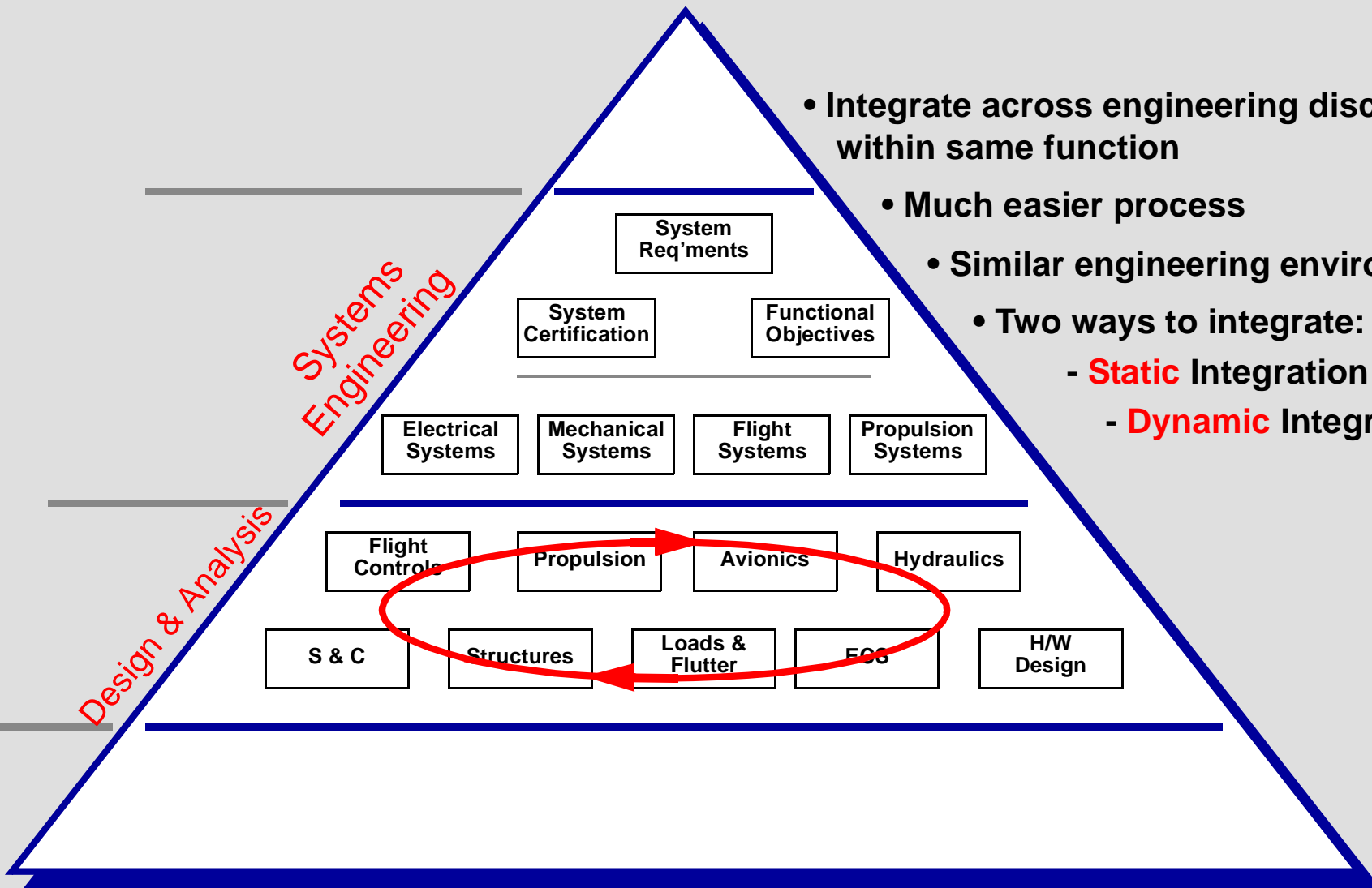
Behavioral Description of a Detailed Mechanical Design

Implementation Detail flows up into the system simulation

- Draper Labs “Integrated Engineering Environment”
- Build a “systems level” model
- Integrate detailed design model as needed.

Bridging the Gap Between Engineering Disciplines

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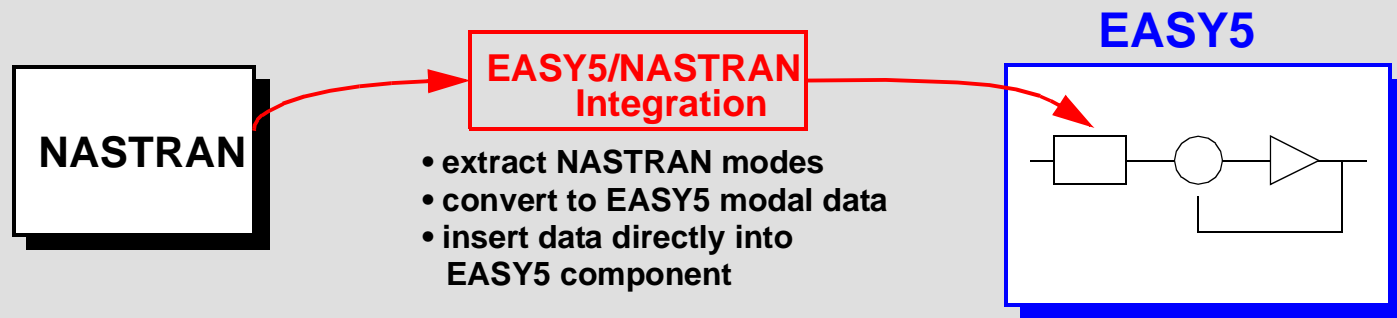
- Integrate across engineering disciplines, within same function
- Much easier process
- Similar engineering environment
- Two ways to integrate:
 - **Static** Integration
 - **Dynamic** Integration

← multi-disciplines →

Static Integration of CAE Tools

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- “Static” Integration: geometric or parametric data is shared between programs
 - simple - implementation is usually straight forward
 - commonly used to integrate different types of application tools; example: geometric-based modeling with simulation-based tool
 - example: CATIA and DADS integration - shares geometric data
 - example: NASTRAN \Leftrightarrow EASY5 integration

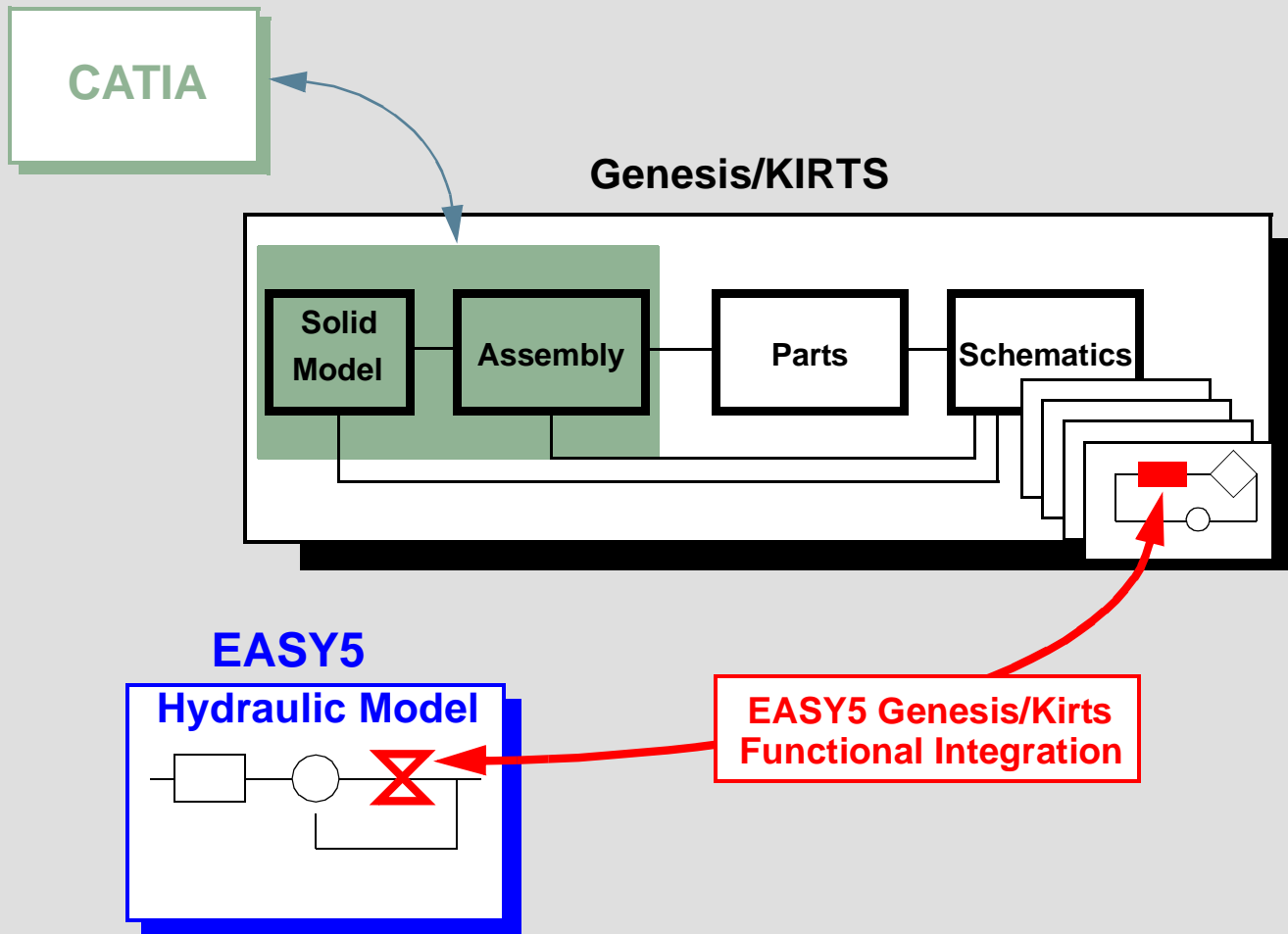


- EASY5/NASTRAN integration is implemented using an “Extension” component.

Beyond Static Integration

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- **Example: Genesis/KIRTS functional integration with EASY5**
 - **Genesis/KIRTS:** generates functional dynamic models from CAD definitions of hydraulic and ECS systems
 - **Presentation will be given by Raju.**



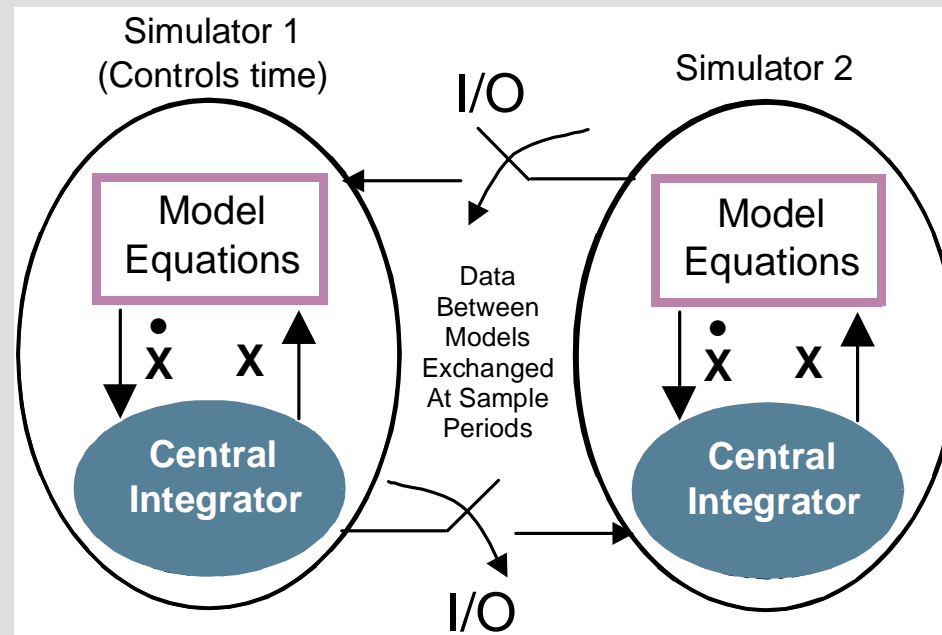
- Involves “dynamic integration” of data and/or code.
- Much more complex and difficult to implement
- geared to “simulation-based” tools
- 2 methods
 - co-simulation integration
 - coupled-simulation integration

CAE Integration Using Co-Simulation

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- **Co-Simulation**

- two simulation programs run simultaneously
- each solves its own differential equations - each controls its own Time
- data is shared between programs at predetermined time intervals



- **Examples of co-simulation**

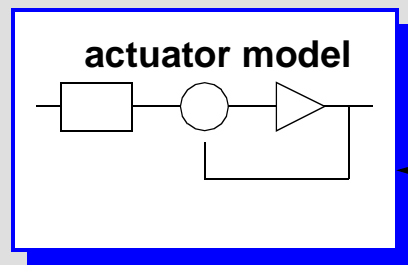
- **EASY5's co-simulation with SystemBuild and Simulink**

Co-Simulation Disadvantage

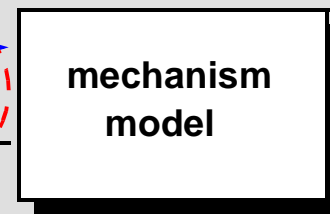
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- **Not a design and analysis tool -- only a simulation tool**
 - not possible to generate a linear model of complete system
 - can not perform controls design and analysis, steady state, etc.
- **Excessive run times for models with “coupled dynamics”**
 - small data sharing time intervals may be required - constrains numerical integration and results in unacceptable simulation run-times
 - MATRIXx/DADS co-simulation is a good example of this problem: f

DYNAMIC SIMULATION PROGRAM



MULTI-BODY PROGRAM



pressure forces

pos, vel, accel

- differential equation for pressure in actuator is closely related to the mechanism velocity
- velocity is closely related to pressure force from actuator
- requires small data sharing time interval (about 1E-6) to achieve accurate results

- **Co-simulation works best on systems that are not tightly coupled .**

EASY5 Interface to MATRIXx/MATLAB

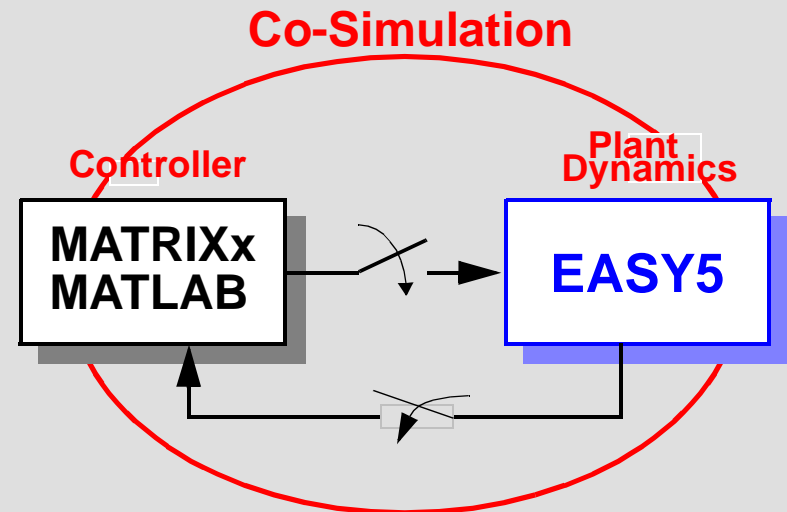
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- **Purpose**

- To simulate any EASY5 model from within MATRIXx (SystemBuild) or MATLAB (Simulink) models.

- **Advantage**

- you can use EASY5 to build large, complex highly nonlinear plant models - difficult to do with MATLAB/MATRIXx
- use EASY5 Switch states and special integrators
- use EASY5 application libraries - hc, hv, ec, pt, en, etc.
- use other tool's strength - controller design and analysis

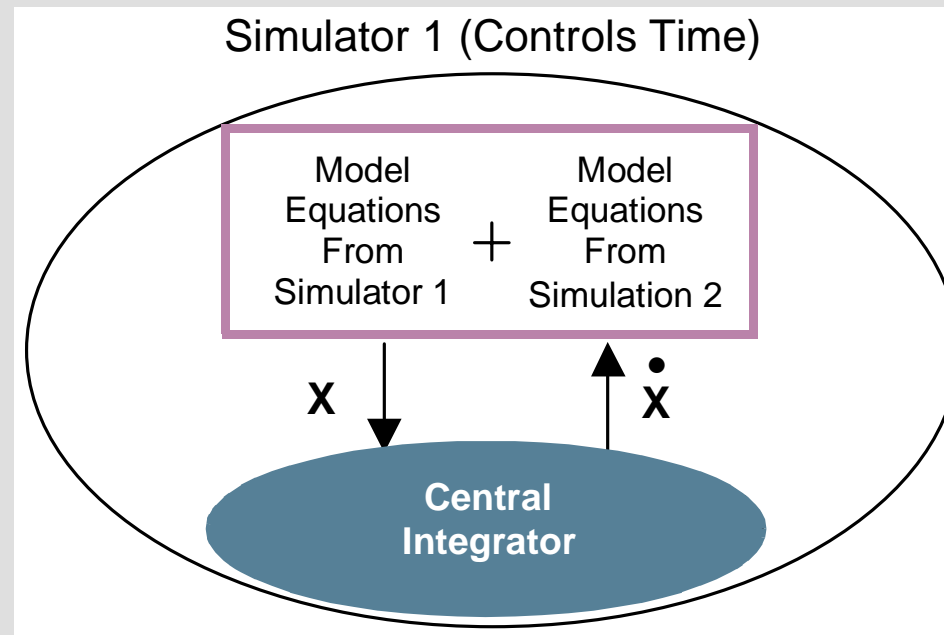


CAE Integration Using Coupled-Simulation

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- **Coupled-Simulation approach**

- equations (differential, difference, algebraic) from different CAE tools are combined (coupled) into one set of equations, inserted into one of the CAE programs
- solved by a central numerical integrator in the simulator that controls time
- required when equations in different tools are tightly coupled - such that only a central numerical integrator can produce more accurate results within a reasonable amount of time



Advantages/Disadvantages of Coupled-Simulation

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- **Advantages**

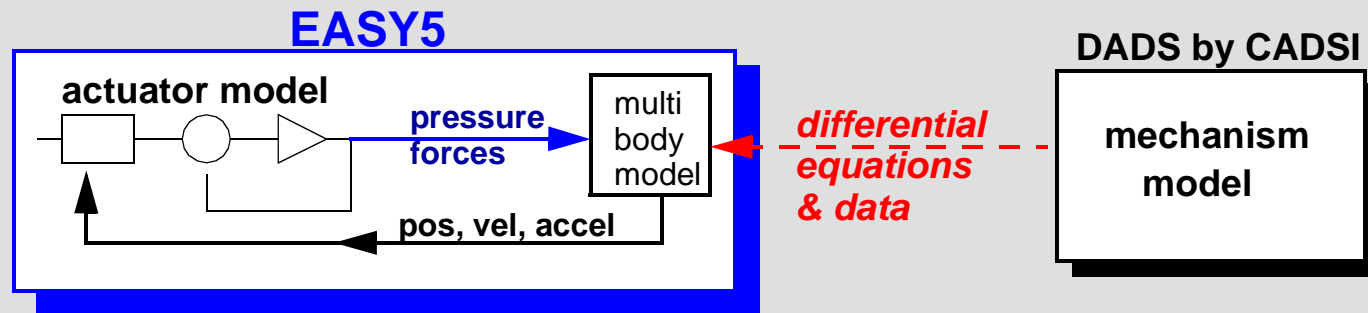
- reduced simulation time
- true design and analysis tool
- allows engineer to apply all analyses: simulation, steady-state, linear analysis, control systems design
- integration is more “seamless” from users point of view

- **Disadvantages**

- much more difficult to integrate CAE tools using coupled-equations approach

- **Example of coupled-simulation integration:**

- EASY5 integration with DADS, ADAMS, and ProE/Mechanica



- **Coupled-simulation of CAE tools easily done with “Extensions”.**

Summary

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- Integration of CAE tools is necessary for complete system prototyping.
- Integration of CAE tools is central to EASY5 - being developed as a core competency
- EASY5 “Extensions” feature provides a mechanism for integrating CAE tools - makes the integration appear seamless to the user.