

## Requirements Quality with Logical&Physical models and Ontologies



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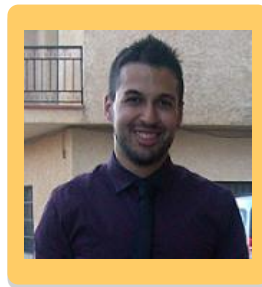
# WEBINARS 2018

Requirements Quality with  
Logical & Physical Models (Rhapsody & Simulink)  
and Ontologies (Protégé)

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## Presenters' profile

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# TRC WEBINARS 2018

## Brief description of The Reuse Company



**T** (he) **R** (euse) **Q** (o(mpany)y)

**Trace + Retrieval + Quality  
(Reuse)**

Aiming to **Improve Project performance**

By means of a: **Knowledge Centric Approach**



**SQA -System Quality Analyzer**  
Global Quality Management



**SIM –System Interoperability Manager**

Tailorable Interoperability Platform

- R+ Manager

Managing requirements transformations

Managing models transformations

- T+ Manager

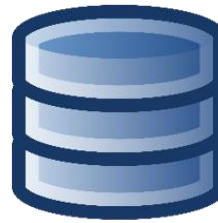
Managing traceability

- Reasoning Manager

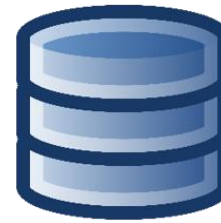
Task based environment



**Systems  
Knowledge  
Repository  
(SKR)**



**Systems  
Knowledge Base  
(SKB)**



**Systems  
Assets Store  
(SAS)**



**RAT –Rich Authoring Tool**  
Smart text authoring



**SKM –System Knowledge Manager**  
Management of System Knowledge  
Libraries





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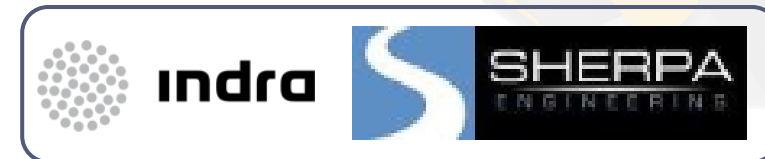
### Automotive



### Energy



### Consulting



### Banking



### Health care



### Other industries



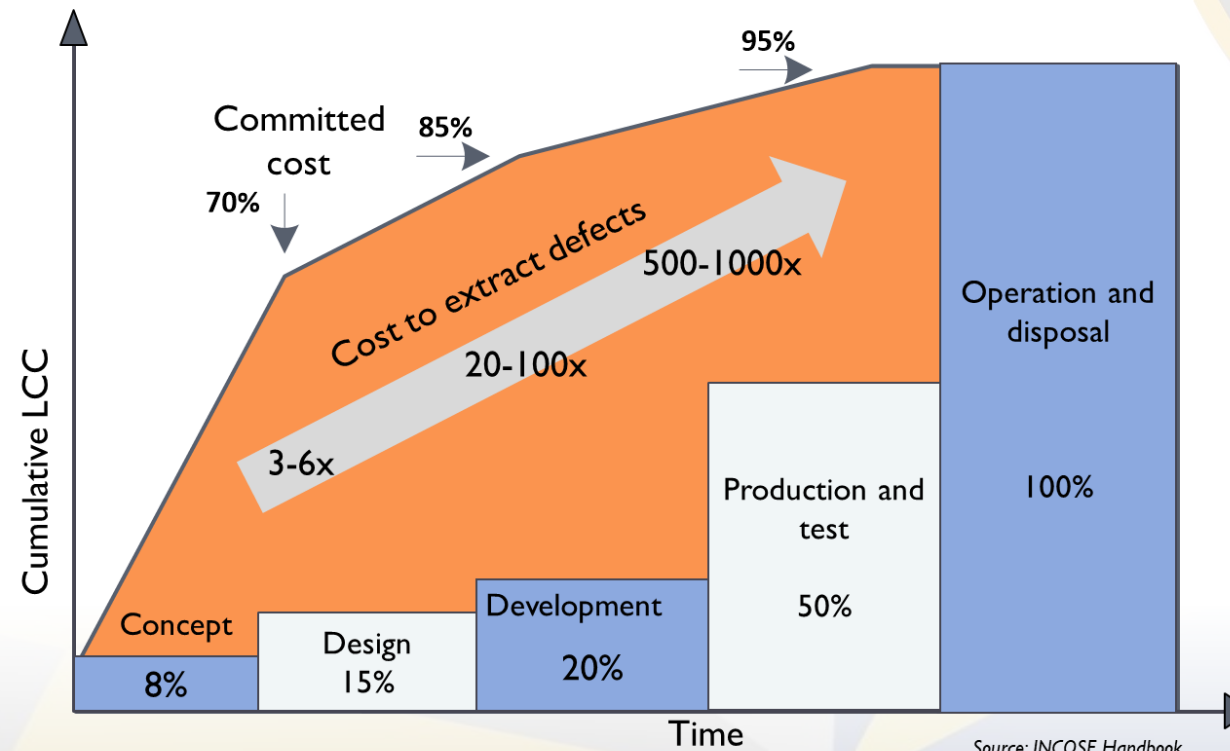
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## Requirements Management

- **The development process** is affected by a fast-changing environment:
  - Technology issues
  - Changing needs
  - Unidentified risks
- **Requirements Engineering** becomes central for organizations
  - Reducing the development cycle (time to deploy the technology)
    - Time to Market ...
    - **Time to Market with the right Product**
- **Requirements** become the base

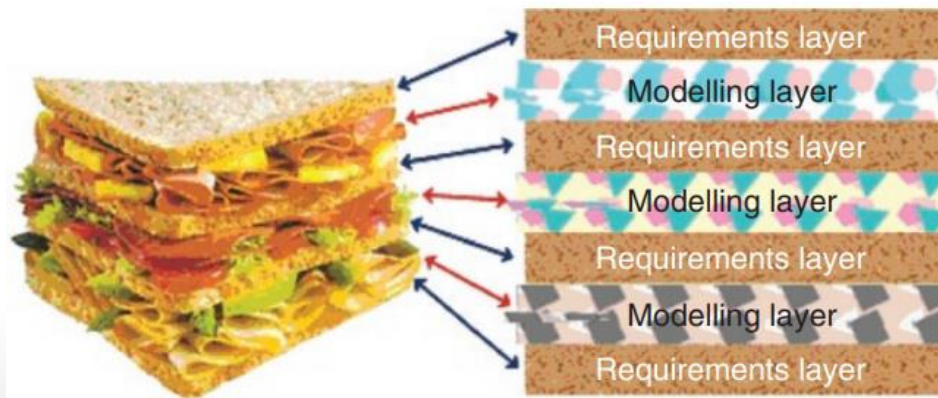
### Requirements Management

- Importance of writing **High Quality Requirements**

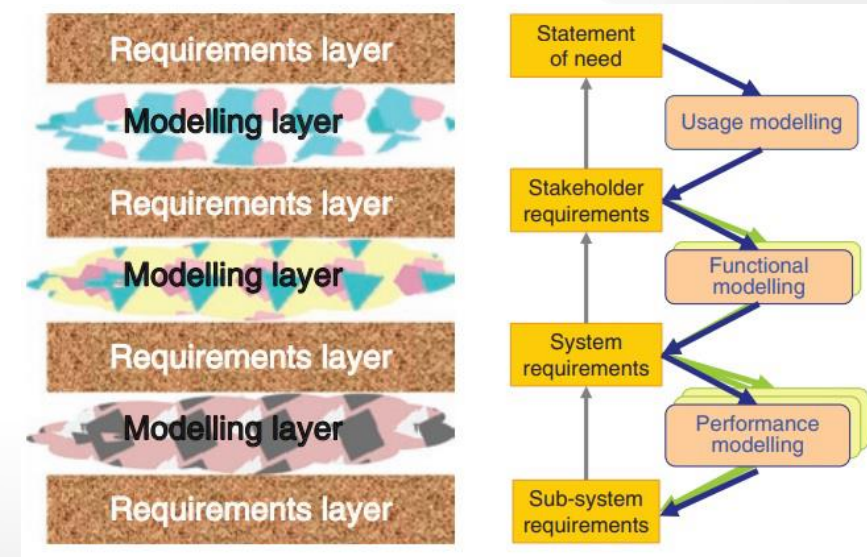


### Requirements and Modelling

- Relationship between **Requirements Management** and **System Modelling**
- Modelling supports the design activity
- Modelling helps decompose the requirements into the next level down
- Models never say everything about a system
- Requirements can cover not modelled aspects



Source: Requirements Engineering, Third Edition

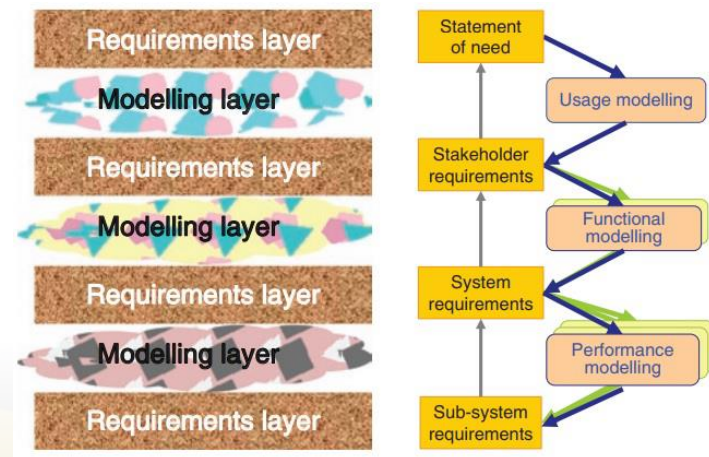


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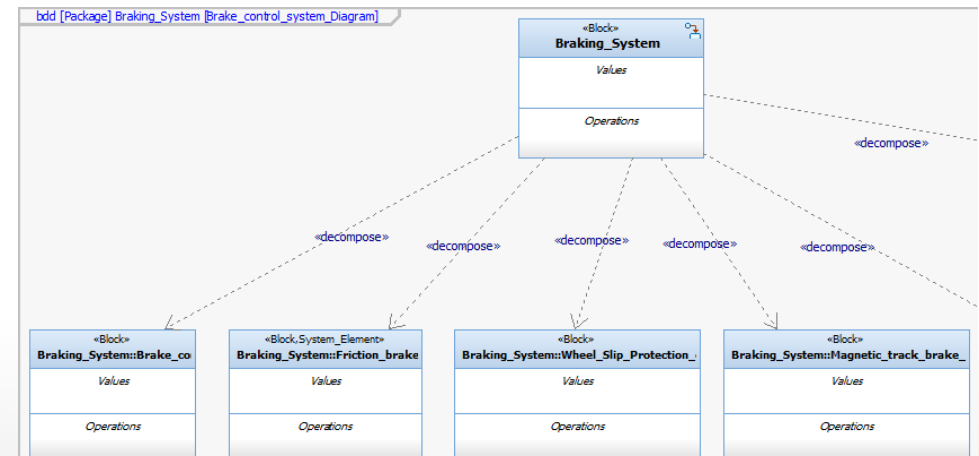
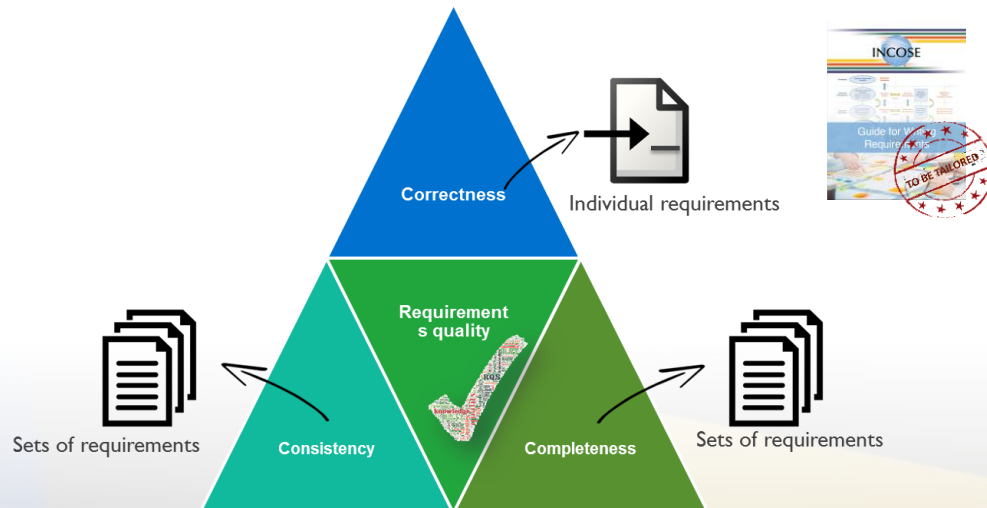
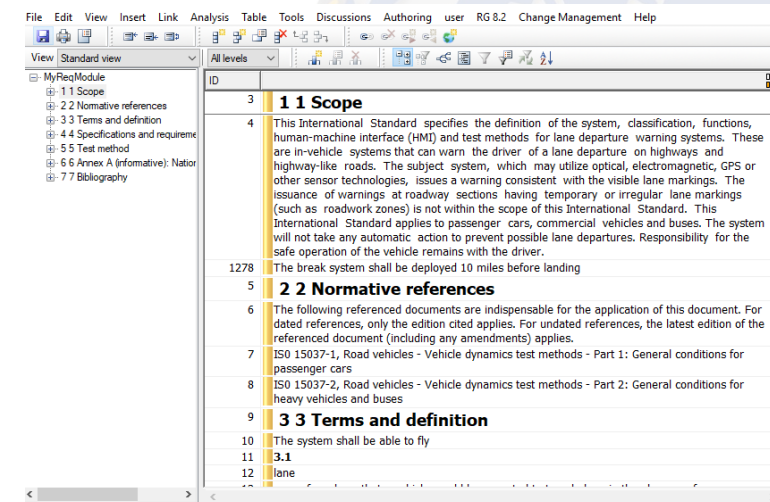
- Models assist the requirements engineers in analyzing the requirements
  - Improve understanding of the system
  - Presence of desired emergent properties (and absence of undesirable ones)
  - Help determine how to satisfy requirements among different layers



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## Requirements and Modelling

- Important to analyze the quality of the requirements
- Requirements are not isolated artifacts:
  - Are they **Correct**?
  - Are they **Consistent** with the models?
  - Are they **Complete** regarding the information stored in the models?



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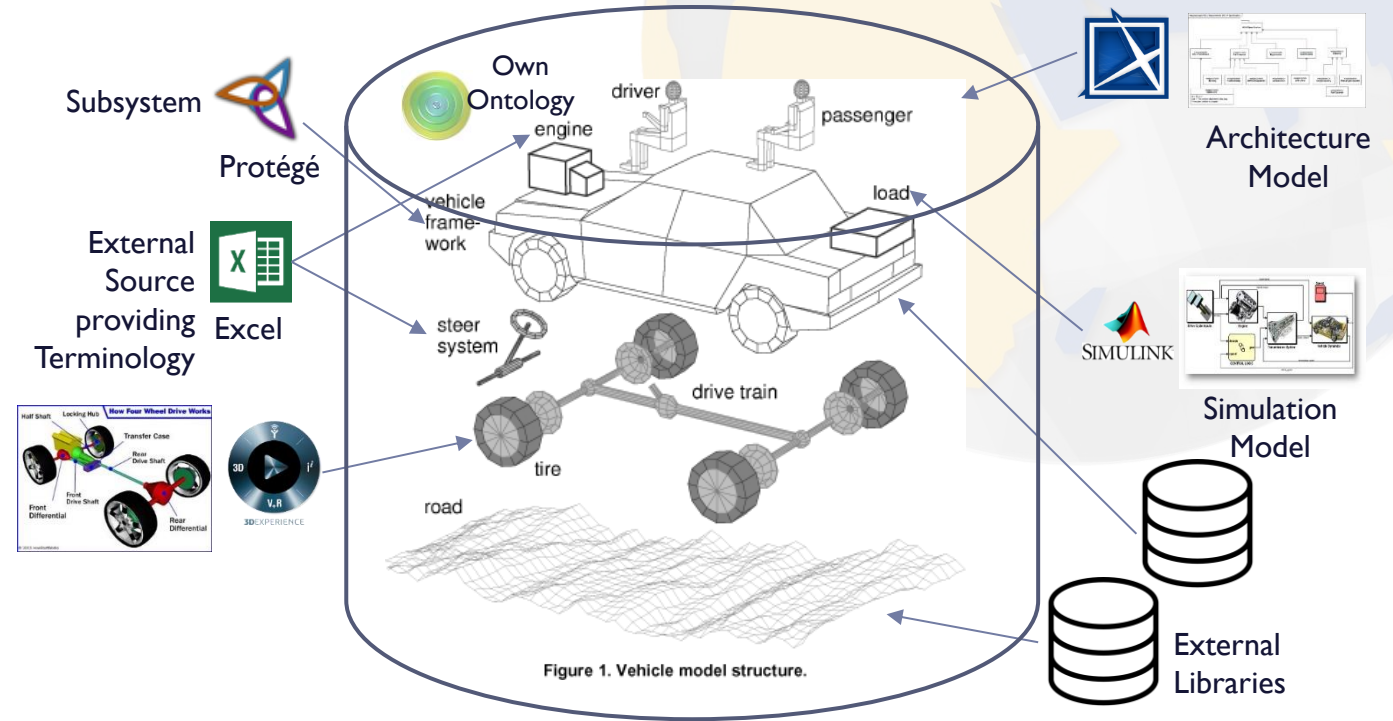
## MBSE: An ecosystem full of tools

### ➤ Different tools for different purposes:

- Requirements Management
- Modelling
- Traceability
- Simulation
- Quality Management
- ...

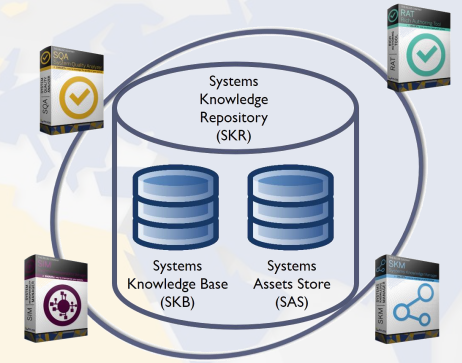
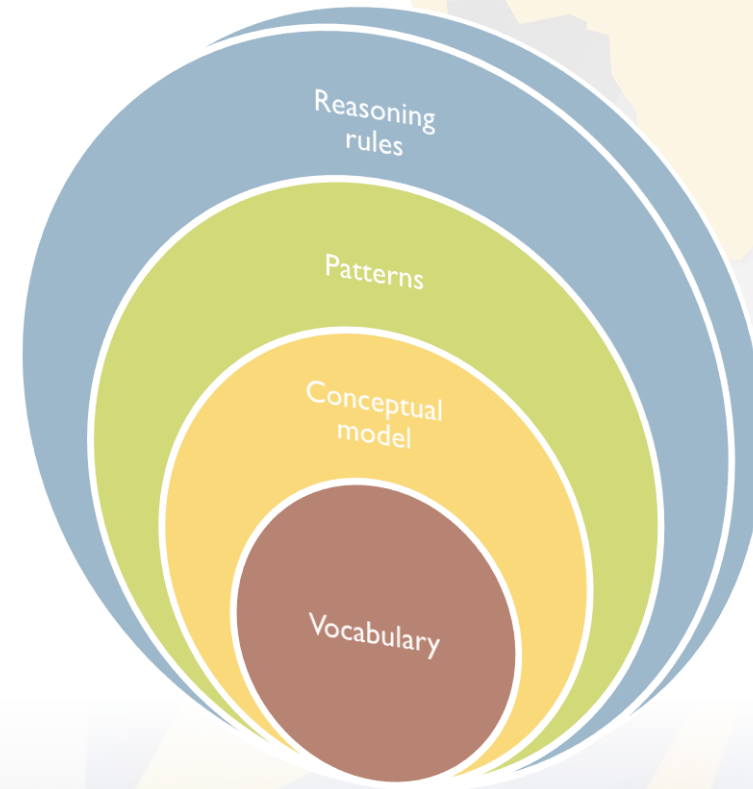
### ➤ **KCSE Suite** → Interoperability

- Key: Not to model everything in KM, but dynamically load the knowledge on real time
- This way, SQA will perform quality assessment with all this knowledge



## Quality Assessment based on a Knowledge Base

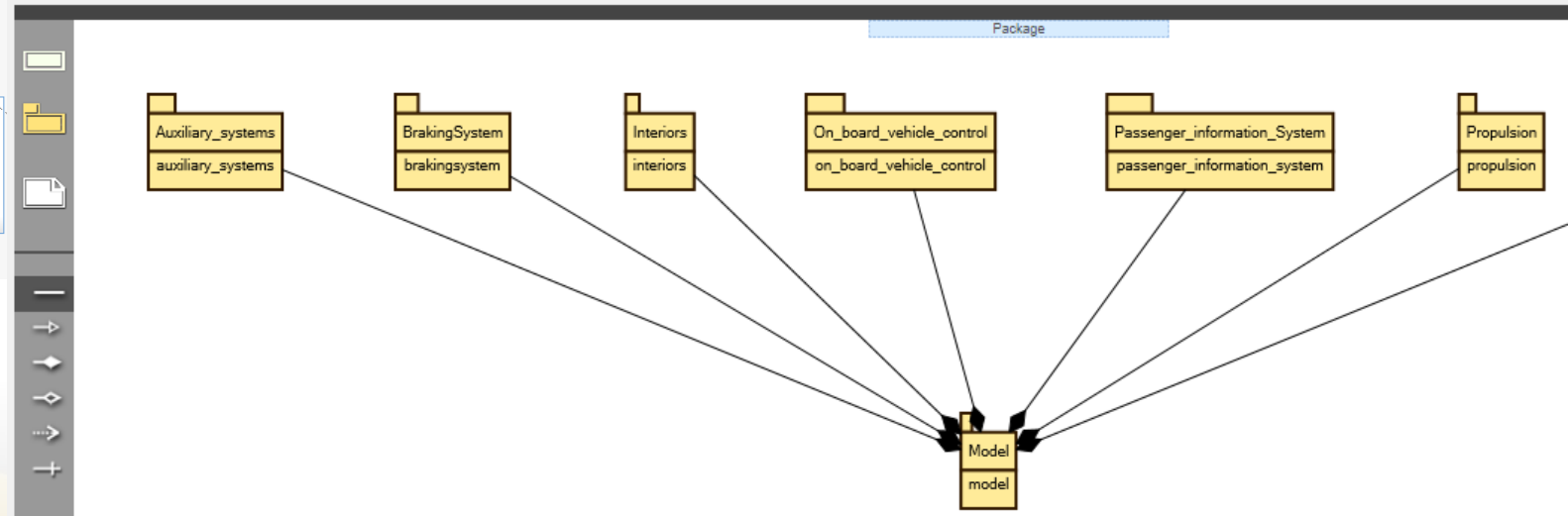
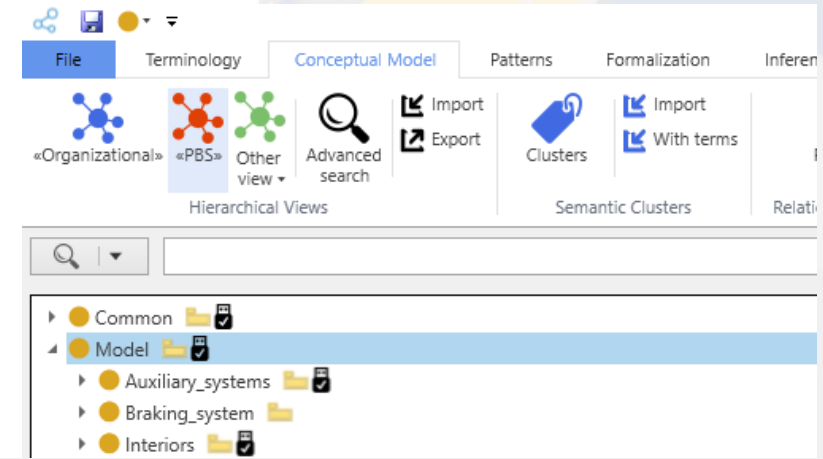
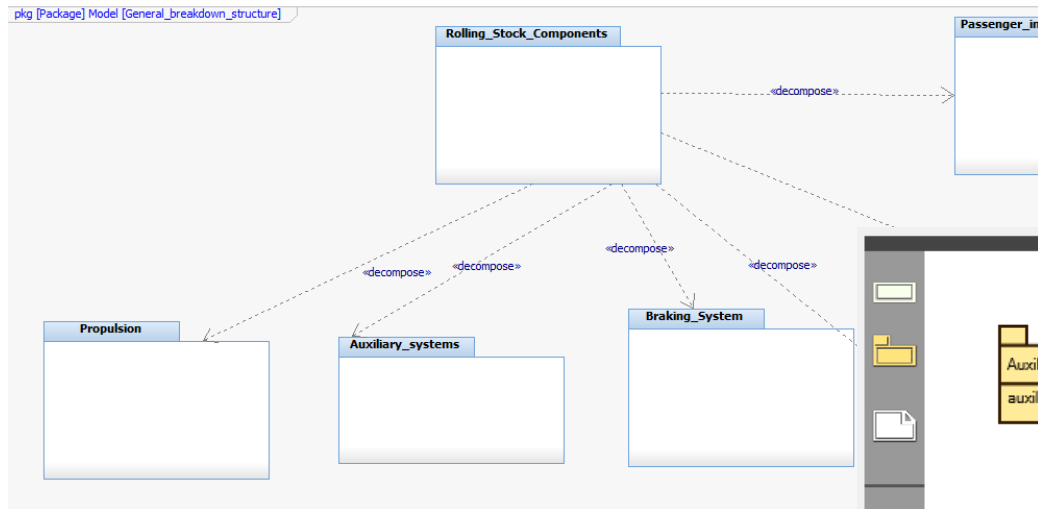
- Knowledge is the Core
  - Systems Knowledge Base (SKB) → Ontology
    - Terminology layer (Vocabulary)
    - Thesaurus layer (System Conceptual Model)
    - Patterns layer (Boilerplates)
    - Reasoning layer (Decision Making)
- Knowledge Manager allows the user to model the domain (knowledge) into an ontology
  - Manual process + Semi-Automatic Import / Export.





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### Dynamic Knowledge Base



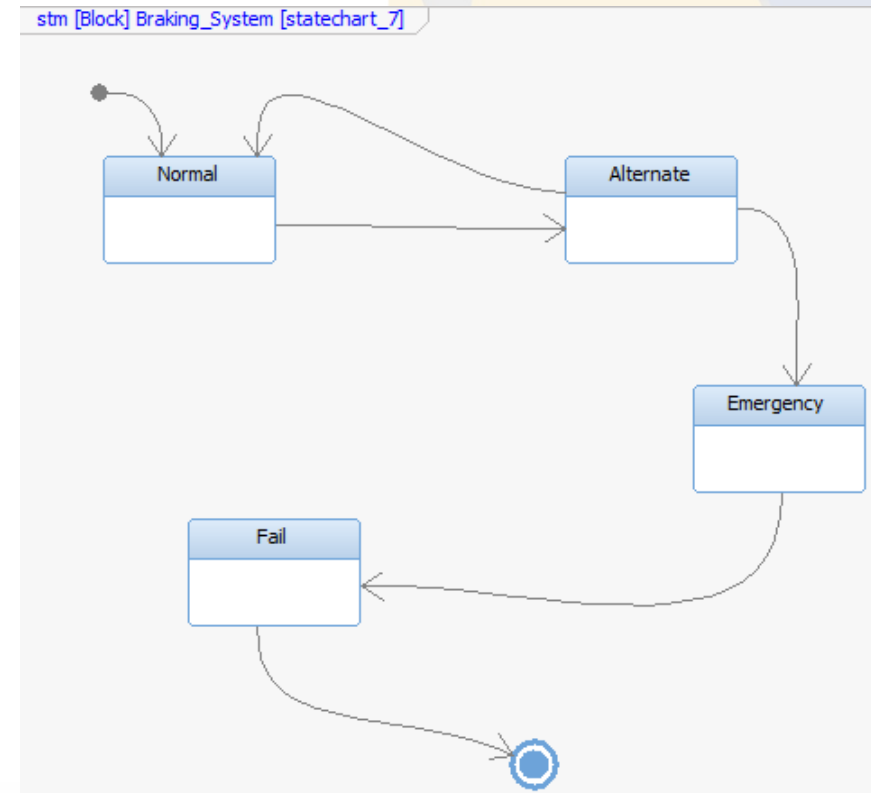
## Requirements and Modelling

- Use Case: Completeness checking of a Rhapsody model



Are the transitions of the State Charts well defined in the requirements specification?

## Requirements Management and Modelling

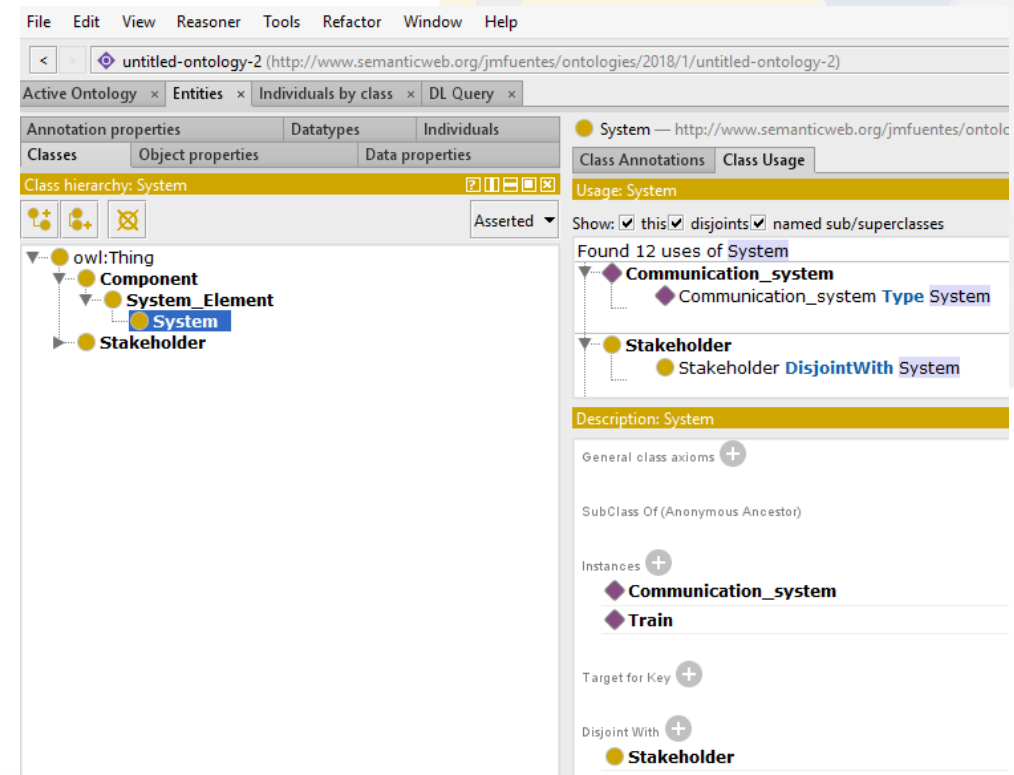


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- Use Case: “Communication System” defined in Protégé



Is the Communication System specified in the requirements?

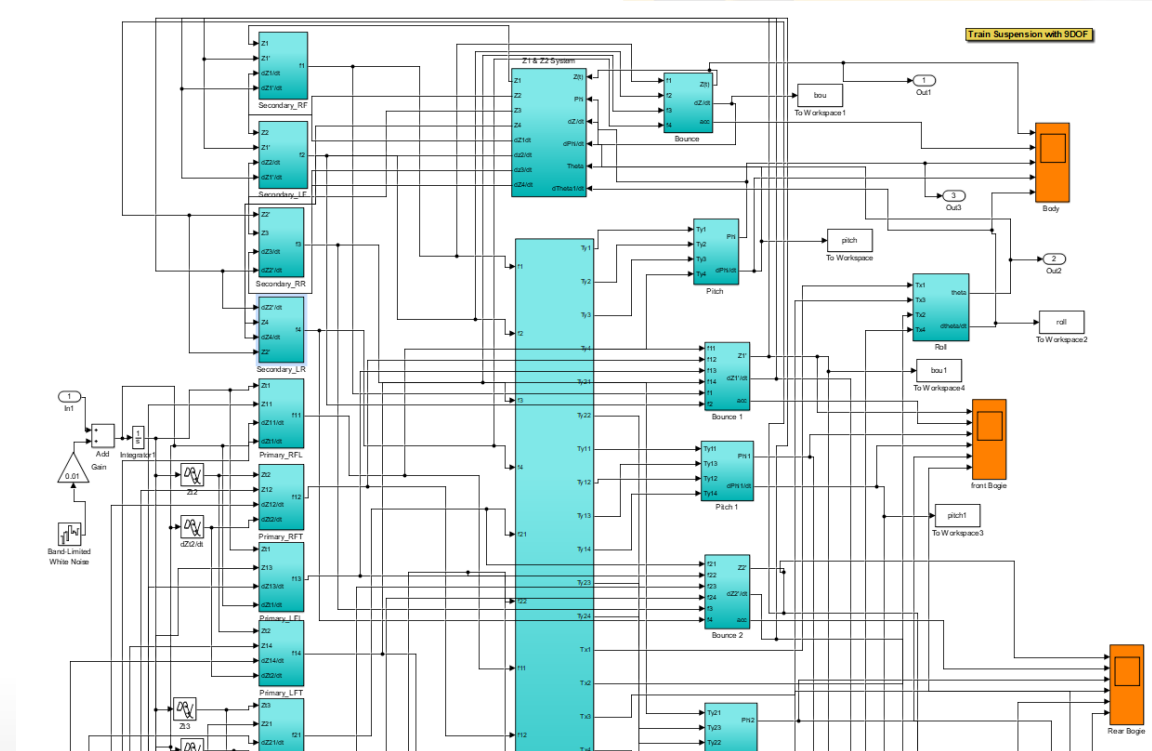


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- Use Case: Components defined in Simulink



Are the requirements specifying properly the Simulink components?



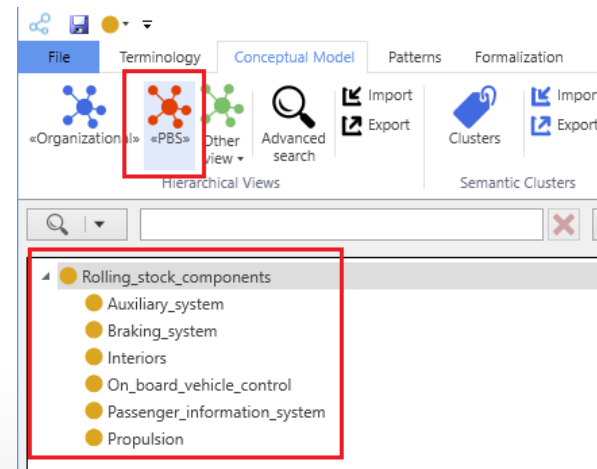
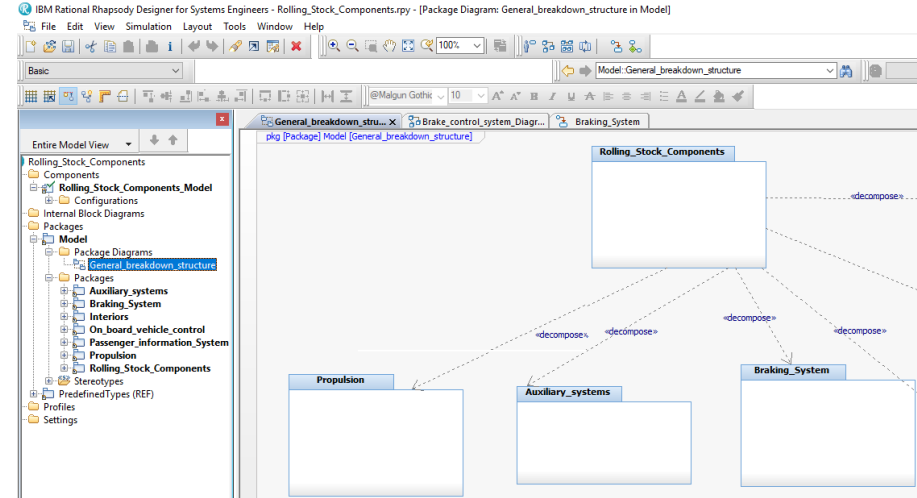
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## Modelling Knowledge into KM

- KM allows the user to model the information into the SKB (e.g. Rolling Stock Components of a Rhapsody model)
- A Product Breakdown Structure (PBS) can be modelled to represent the decomposition of the Rolling Stock Components
  - Different structures (relationship types) for the different elements of the model
- Cons:
  - Manual or Semi Automatic work is needed
  - Duplicated knowledge (Rhapsody & KM)



## Knowledge Interfaces for SKB Extensibility

- ▶ What if ... the SKB (System Knowledge Base) was dynamically fulfilled?
  - ▶ No human effort in exporting / importing glossaries, taxonomies, etc.
  - ▶ No need to maintain / update the SKB.
- ▶ KCSE v18 Feature → **Knowledge Interfaces**
  - ▶ Connectors to external sources of knowledge (OSLC-KM).
- ▶ Changes on the source artifacts (e.g. SysML Rhapsody Model) → The SKB gets updated.

## Knowledge Interfaces for SKB Extensibility

### ► Managing connectors in Knowledge Manager

The screenshot displays the Knowledge Manager application interface. The top menu bar includes 'File', 'Terminology', 'Conceptual Model', 'Patterns', 'Formalization', 'Inference', 'Configuration management', 'Extensibility' (selected), and 'Assets store'. Below the menu, a toolbar contains icons for 'My imported libraries', 'Empty this ontology', 'My configuration as library', 'Generate library', 'Import library', 'Knowledge Interfaces' (highlighted with a red box), and 'Knowledge Import'. The 'Knowledge Interfaces' section shows a table with one entry: '1 [Rhapsody] Rolling Stock model', which is also highlighted with a red box. The table has columns for Identifier, Name, Description, Import date, and Language. On the right, the 'OSLC KM Connection' configuration panel is visible, showing 'Connection Information' (Name: '[Rhapsody] Rolling Stock model', Description: empty) and 'OSLC KM Connection Parameters' (RMS Location: empty, RMS Type: empty, OSLC Service: ☐, File: ☒, OSLC KM Type: 'SysML', SysML SubType: 'Rhapsody'). The 'Project File' field is highlighted with a red box and contains the path 'G:\rolling\_stock\_model.xml'.

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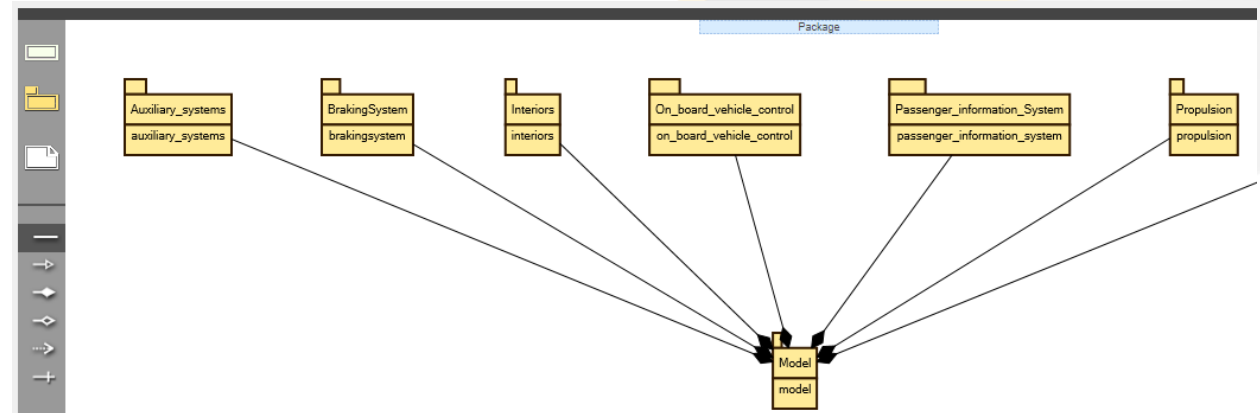
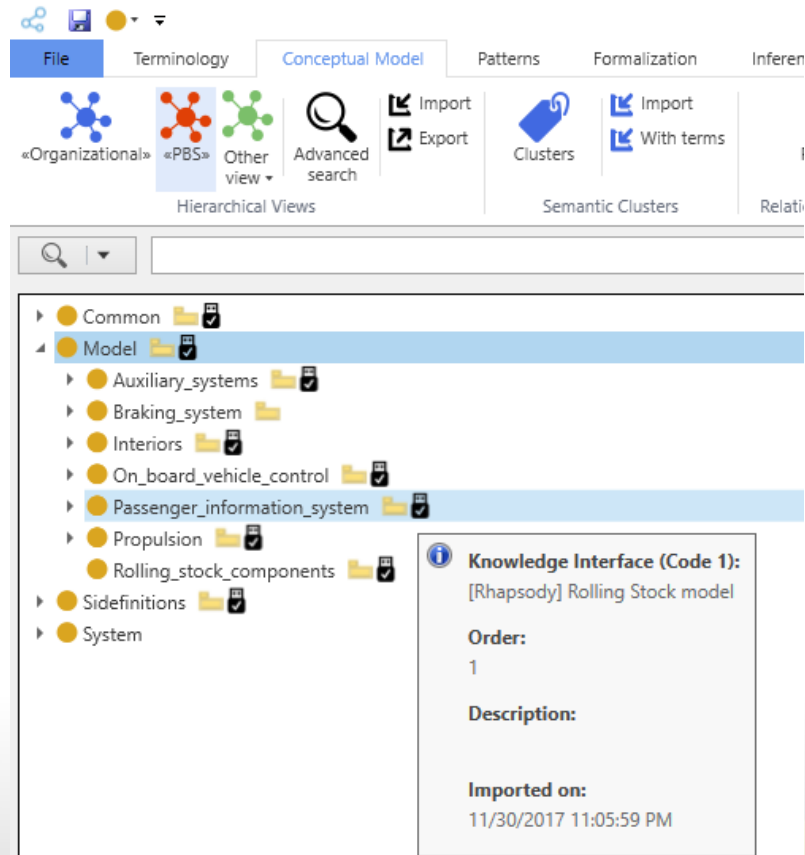
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### ► Filling out the SKB in a dynamic way

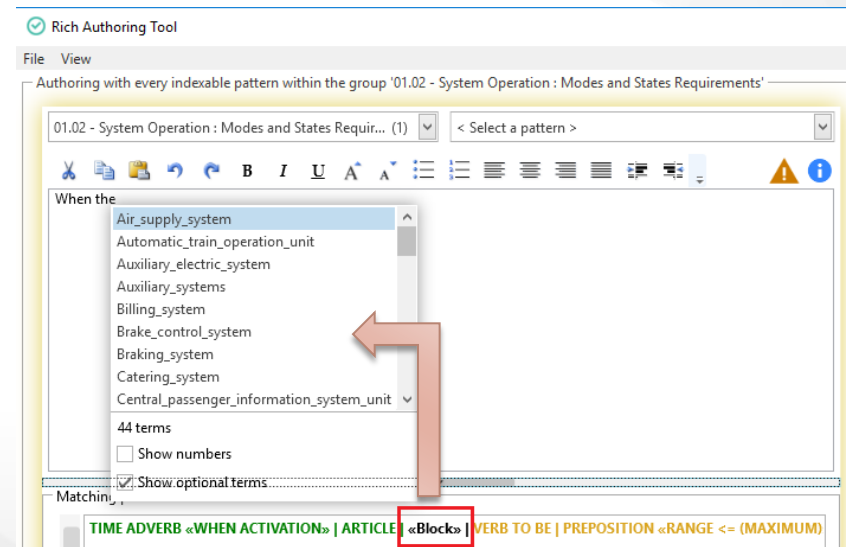
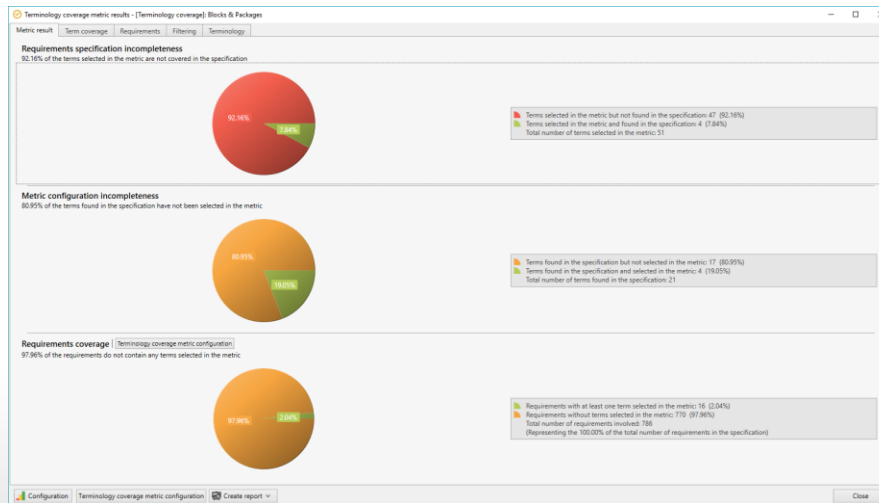


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## Using Knowledge Interfaces - Overview

- Knowledge Interfaces are fully integrated on SQA and RAT
  - Native support of UML/SysML (classes, blocks, actors, etc)
  - Available for quality assessment
    - Quality Metrics can be configured with the content of Knowledge Interfaces (e.g. **state charts coverage**)
  - Available for pattern-based authoring



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- Integrating a Rhapsody Model and a Simulink file to assess requirements quality
  - KM to connect the Knowledge Base to the Rhapsody Model + the Simulink file
  - SQA to define a set of quality metrics
  - SQA to perform quality assessment
  - RAT to create some missing requirements
- Integrating a Protégé ontology for the Communication Subsystem assessment
  - KM to connect the Knowledge Base to the Protégé Ontology
  - SQA to define a set of quality metrics and perform quality assessment







## Next webinar

➤ **Topic:** Can script based languages, like DXL, hack Natural language Processing?

➤ **Content:**

A recent blog post by our esteemed colleague Christer Fröling has sparked a tidal wave of interest and his paper “NLP beats DXL (DOORS scripting) every day of the week” has been distributed widely. But can his claim be substantiated?

Dr. Simon Wright will investigate this claim during a webinar and examine the evidence. As someone who has been involved in improving requirements quality for over 20 years and as a DXL programmer for over 10 years he is ideally placed to referee this match, DXL verses NLP.

➤ **Dates:**

➤ Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> APR 2018 at 5.00 pm CET

➤ Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> APR 2018 at 9.00 am CET

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