

Introduction to the DoD System Requirements Analysis Guide

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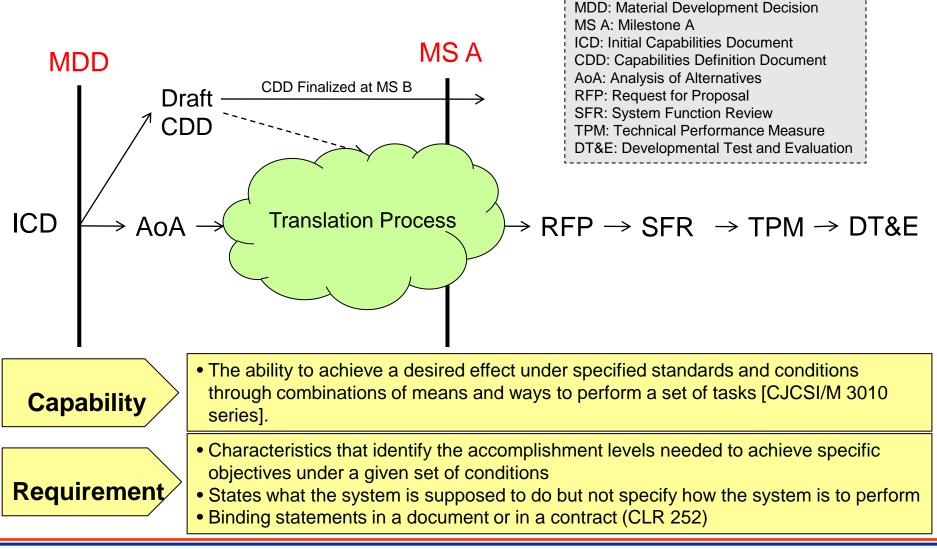




- DoD SE Acquisition Requirements Definition Challenges
- Basis for Establishing a DoD System Requirements Analysis (SRA) Guide
- Application of SRA An Acquisition Perspective
- Overview of the SRA Guide Concepts and Approach
- Summary and Path Forward
- Questions

Translation Capability to Requirements





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DoD SE Acquisition Requirements Definition Challenges



- Good requirements definition practices are core to good systems engineering
 - Current DoD guidance needs to be strengthened: e.g. Better application of logical architecture approaches
 - Too often the contractor does the transformation from Capabilities to System Requirements incurring latent discovery of issues and risks
 - Congress is demanding the definition of Technical Parameters and being verified by DT&E
- Current Systems Engineering Plan Guidance
 - No emphasis on CONOPS development or Mission Analysis: A key enabler for good system requirements analysis
 - Too much emphasis on requirements management but not enough on requirements analysis approach

• NDIA identifies requirements as one of its top issues:

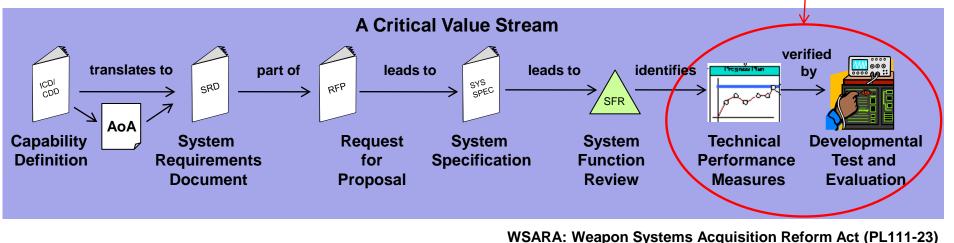
 "Requirements are not always well-managed, including the effective translation from capabilities statements into executable requirements to achieve successful acquisition programs." (2006 Task Group Report: Top Five Systems Engineering Issues Within DoD and Defense Industry)



System Requirements Analysis Guide (New)



- What is System Requirements Analysis (SRA)?
 - Structured approach to translating the user's need into a technical definition of the system
- Why renewed emphasis in DoD System Requirements Analysis?
 - Establish rigorous approach to translating user capabilities to technical requirements (System Requirements Document)
 - Expose as many risks and issues as possible to a preferred system concept prior to release the RFP
 WSARA 2009







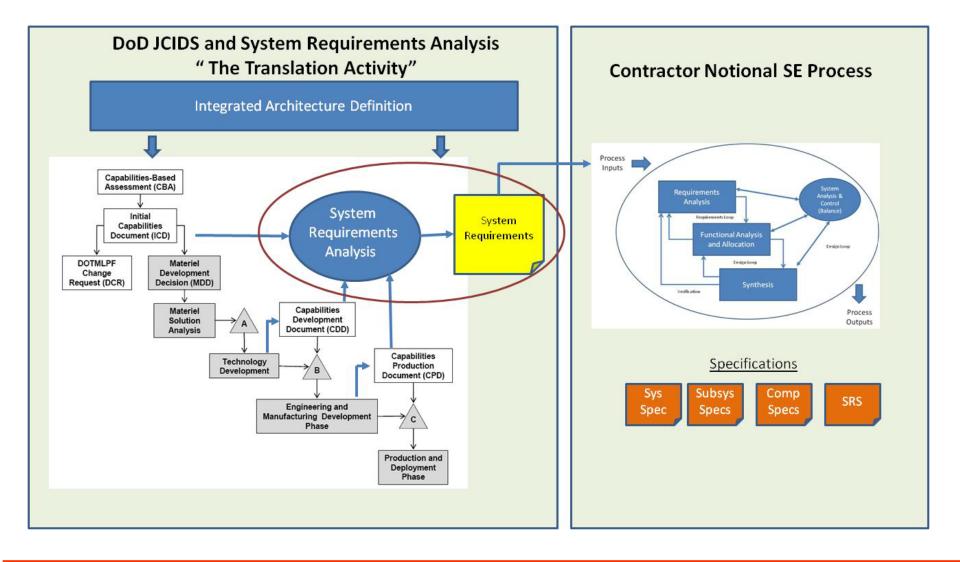
Objectives:

- Provide guidance to Government SEs in planning and executing the development of system requirements throughout the acquisition lifecycle
- Clarify the technical data expectations that supports technical baseline definition through (MS C) Initial Product Baseline
- Describe methods and techniques on how to "transform" requirements:
 - Capabilities → System Requirements
 - System Requirements → Subsystems Requirements
- Provide insights and references on "how" to develop a functional and physical architecture to support requirements definition and trade studies



System Requirements Analysis (Translation of Capabilities to Requirements)



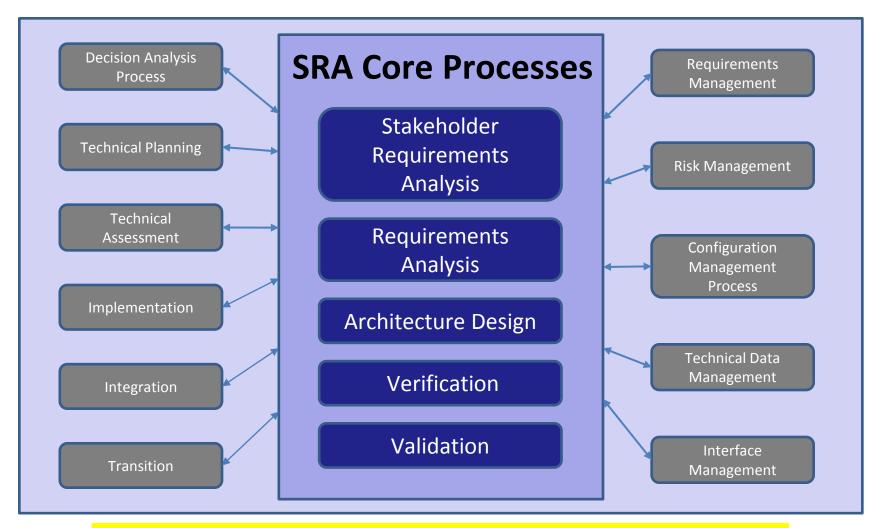


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System Requirements Analysis Overview and Key Thoughts





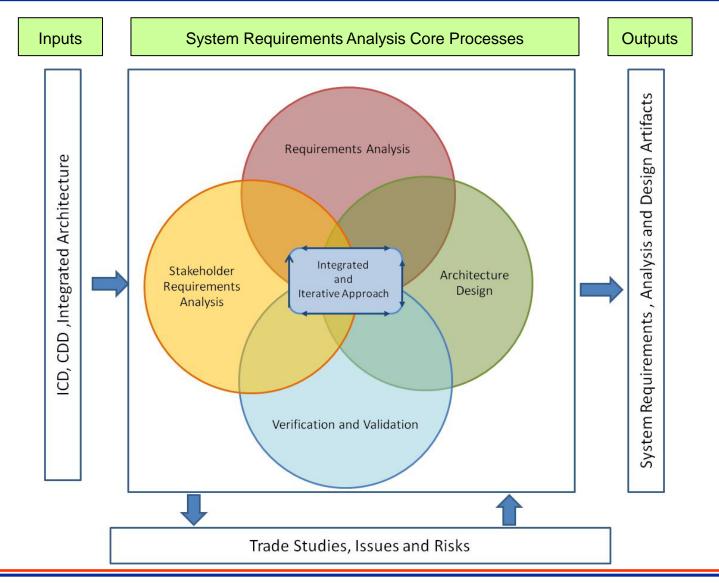
SRA core processes that provide the greatest influence in requirements definition

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System Requirements Analysis An Integrated Approach



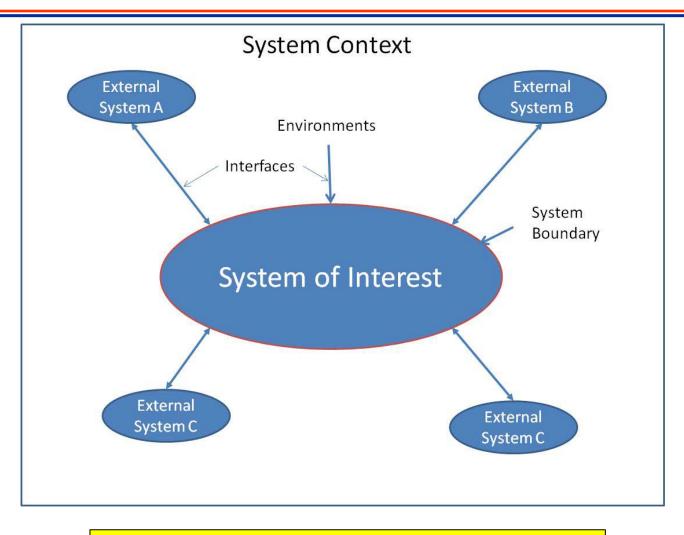


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Fundamental SRA Concepts - 1 (System Context)





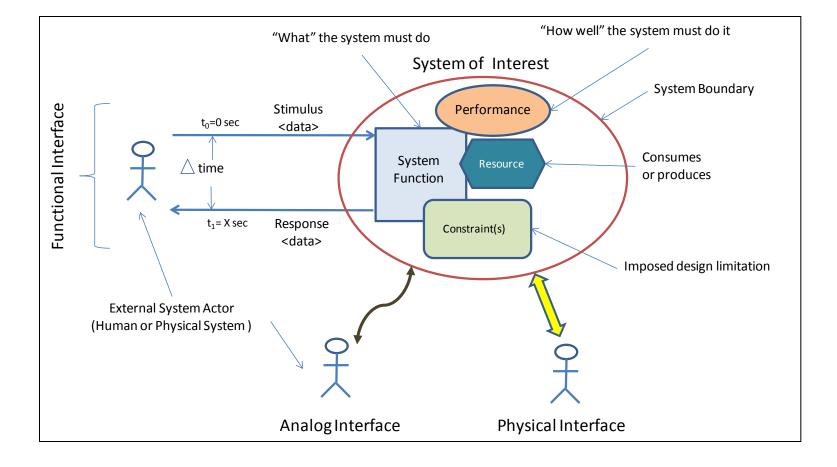
It is key to work with the stakeholders to get this right.

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Fundamental Concepts – 2 Specification Language

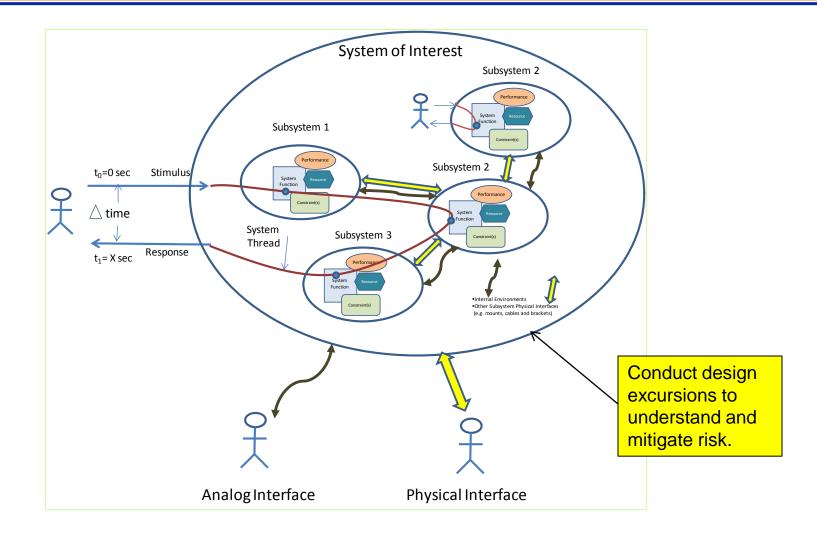






Fundamental Concepts – 3 System Partitioning, Decomposition and Allocation, Behavior and System Threads

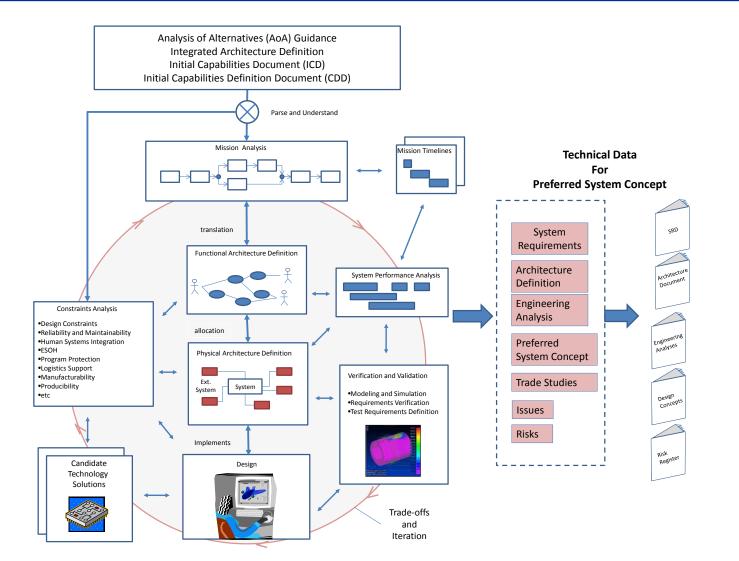




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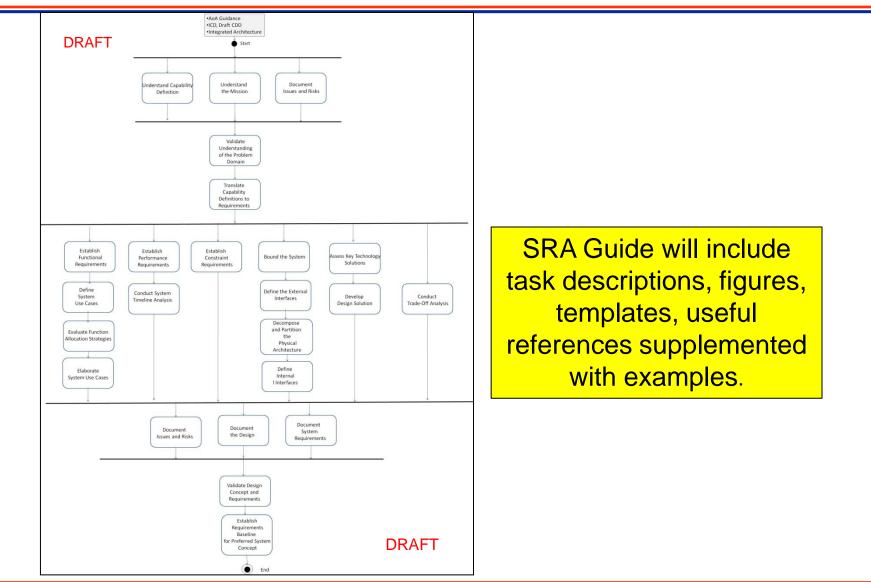
Fundamental Concepts – 4 Key SRA Analysis Relationships (From Abstract to Concrete)



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System Requirements Analysis Guidance Approach



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Summary and Path Forward



• Summary

- Strengthen Government System Requirements Analysis rigor and discipline
- Support for PMs and technical planning for early system definition

Path Forward

Draft SRA Guide is expected to be available in Fall 2011

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