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# Re-Use of Integrated Dictionary Components for C4ISR Architectures<sup>1</sup>

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## ABSTRACT

The C4ISR Architecture Framework Products can be developed using mapping between Structured Analysis products and the Framework products and also based on mapping between Object Orientation and Framework products [Levis and Wagenhals, 2000 and Bienvenue, Shin and Levis, 2000]. Both of these methodologies for architecture design are adequate to obtain essential and supporting C4ISR products. However, sometimes the architect has to add new capabilities into the existing architecture that contains the products developed using either of the two approaches. If he uses the same approach (either Structured or Object Orientation) to develop the new set of products as was used for the original architecture, then the task of model concordance is not difficult, otherwise it is not easy. This paper discusses the reuse of the components of an Integrated Dictionary developed for the C4ISR products to add new products into the existing architecture. The C4ISR Architecture Framework products are developed using two approaches for a single operational concept, and then the contents of the two integrated dictionaries are compared to find out the similarities and differences.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

In a rapidly changing world of technology and increased uncertainties, the Department of Defense (DoD) faces an intense challenge to cope with the situation and the development of an interoperable information system. To handle the situation well, and achieve flexibility of interoperability in information systems, the DoD has provided standard for architecture specifications that directly support military operations. These specifications for architecting information systems are Command, Control, Communications, Computer, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (C4ISR) Architecture Framework Version 2.0 (CAF). The goal is to provide rules, guidance, and product description for developing and presenting architectures to ensure interoperable systems. Another objective is to develop a common unifying approach for different agencies to follow in developing their various architectures. The CAF prescribes four architecture views, the All View, Operational Architecture View, System Architecture View, and the Technical Architecture View. The products are designative by the initials of the view and a product number. For example, they are the AV-1 and AV-2 All View products, nine OV products, 13 SV products, and 2 TV products.

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Although, the CAF provides common definitions, data and references, and describes a set of products to represent three views of an architecture, it does not provide any well defined, and widely accepted processes or guidance to produce those products. However, two approaches, one based on mapping between Structured Analysis (SA) products and the CAF products, and another based on mapping between Object Orientation (OO) and Framework products have been developed by Levis and Wagenhals, 2000 and Bienvenue, Shin and Levis, 2000, respectively. In the former approach, the CAF products are developed using tools and techniques of SA constructs, which identifies the interrelationships among the products. The latter approach demonstrates the development of CAF products using the OO methodology. Both approaches, if carried out properly, carry the same information. The main difference is the difference of focus. The Structured approach is focused on functions and data, while the Object Oriented approach is focused on entities and their interactions [Levis, A. H., Fall 2002].

In many agencies the architect using the CAF products has to deal with a legacy system that contains the products developed using either of the two approaches. When the architect is required to add new capabilities into an existing system, he has to develop new products consistent with the existing products. If the approach to be used in developing new set of products is same as used in the existing product, either SA or OO, then the task of model concordance is not very difficult. Whereas, if the architect has to use OO methodology for developing a new set of products, and the existing products were developed using Structured approach or vice versa, then the task of model concordance is not trivial.

The scope of this work is to make use of the Integrated Dictionary (which is one of the CAF products called "All View" –2(AV-2)) for developing CAF products using either SA or OO approaches. The Integrated Dictionary is an essential CAF product that provides a source for all the definitions for the graphical and tabular representations that comprise the products. The purpose is to find out the possibility of reusing these definitions associated with a set of diagrams developed using one approach (say SA) to develop another set of diagrams using the other approach (say OO). The task is accomplished by developing two sets of CAF products using SA and OO approaches for a single operational concept. The two integrated dictionaries thus developed are then compared to find out the similarities and differences in the definitions.

The remainder of this paper is divided into five sections. Section 2 presents a table and illustrations showing the mapping between CAF and the SA products and the CAF and OO products. The Unified Modeling Language (UML) specification is used for the OO approach. Section 3 illustrates and discusses the operational concept used to develop the products. Section 4 presents a table containing the definitions from the integrated dictionary and discusses the similarities and differences of definitions for the example problem, and Section 5 gives the summary of the work done.

## 2. Mapping Between CAF and Structured Analysis and Object Oriented Products:

The CAF Version 2.0 provides a guideline and a set of products, both essential and supporting, to represent an architecture. But the CAF does not specify a process for developing the architecture views and the associated products. These products are obtainable using SA and OO approaches [Levis, A. H., Fall 2002]. For both approaches the process begins with the creation of an operational concept. In the SA approach the operational concept guides the development of a functional decomposition, the physical architecture composed of system nodes and links, operational nodes and organizational models. The functional decomposition guides the development of the functional architecture [Levis and Wagenhals, 2000]. In Object Oriented approach, some of the CAF products are either essentially equivalent to the UML diagrams or are derivable from them, and, some are not derivable but, they require domain knowledge to complete [Levis, A. H., Fall 2002]. Framework uses graphical presentations, matrices and reports to develop architecture. This paper discusses only those products of the operational and systems architecture views that can be presented graphically. For example, Operational Node Connectivity Descriptions (OV-2), Activity Models (OV-5), Systems Interface Description (SV-1) etc. Table I gives a brief description of the mapping between CAF Operational Architecture view products and the two approaches. Table II lists CAF Systems Architecture view products. Columns 2 and 3 of both Tables I and II show mapping of CAF products with SA and OO approaches, respectively.

Table I: Mapping of C4ISR Operational Architecture View Products developed using Structured Analysis and Object Oriented Approaches

| CAF Product   | Mapping with Structured Approach   | Mapping with Object Oriented Approach  |
|---|--|--|
| Operational Concept (OV-1) diagram                      | Create a High level Operational Concept using domain knowledge   | Not derivable from UML diagrams. It is developed directly from the domain knowledge base |
| OV-2 diagram, Operational Node Connectivity Description | Operational nodes are derived directly from Operational concept. Functional decomposition guides the development of needlines and operational activities | Derivable from the UML class diagram   |
| OV-4, Organizational chart                              | Derived from Operational concept   | Derived from Class/Object diagram  |

Table I (continued):

| CAF Product                                | Mapping with Structured Approach  | Mapping with Object Oriented Approach  |
|--|---|--|
| OV-5, Activity Model                       | Functional decomposition guides the development of activity model. In its illustration of activity model the Framework uses IDEF0 as the modeling technique | UML activity diagram developed for operational and node classes can be used directly           |
| OV-6a, Rule Model                          | Functional decomposition guides the development of Rule Model   | Directly drivable from the State transition Diagrams for Operational nodes and element classes |
| OV-6b, State Transition Diagrams           | Functional decomposition guides the development of the State Transition description. It is created in the form of State Transition Diagram                  | UML State Transition Diagram for each object can be used directly                              |
| OV-6C, Operational Event/Trace Description | This diagram has to be consistent with the OV-2 and OV-5 diagrams   | UML Sequence diagram for operational nodes and element instances can be used directly.         |
| OV-7, Logical Data Model                   | Derived directly from the Data Model of SA  | May be derived from the Class Diagram  |

Table II: Mapping of C4ISR Systems Architecture View Products developed using Structured Analysis and Object Oriented Approaches

| CAF Product                             | Mapping with Structured Approach  | Mapping with Object Oriented Approach  |
|---|---|--|
| SV-1, System interface diagram          | System nodes and links are derived from operational concept   | Derivable from the system Class diagram                                      |
| SV-2, System Communication diagram      | Derived from operational concept  | Logically similar to SV-1 diagram but, at a lower level of detail.           |
| SV-4, Systems Functionality Description | System entities and components are derived from operational concept and the activity model determines System Functionality description. Graphically it can be represented as activity model such as a data flow diagram | UML activity diagram developed for system node classes can be used directly. |

### 3. OPERATIONAL CONCEPT FOR THE EXAMPLE PROBLEM:

The work done in this paper is based on a fictional FastPass system used at OilCo gas stations, and this system is conceptually based on the Mobil Corporation SpeedPass™ system. However, the fictional example used in this paper does not represent the actual Mobil SpeedPass system. Figure 1 is the OV-1 diagram or the graphical representation of the high-level operational concept. As shown in Figure 1, the driver having FastPass service will pull in front of a Self Serve fuel pump equipped with the FastPass system. If the driver has a FastPass tag, then he will wave the tag in front of the sensor in the pump.

The pump reads the driver's FastPass ID, and sends this ID through a wide area network (WAN) to the oil company's central office that has a database of driver information. The oil company retrieves the driver information and sends it to the financial institution responsible for issuing credit information to the driver through WAN. If the driver's credit account is valid, the financial institution approves the authorization and sends approval to the database office as *true*. In another case, if the driver's credit is not valid the financial institutions sends the approval to the central database office as *false*.

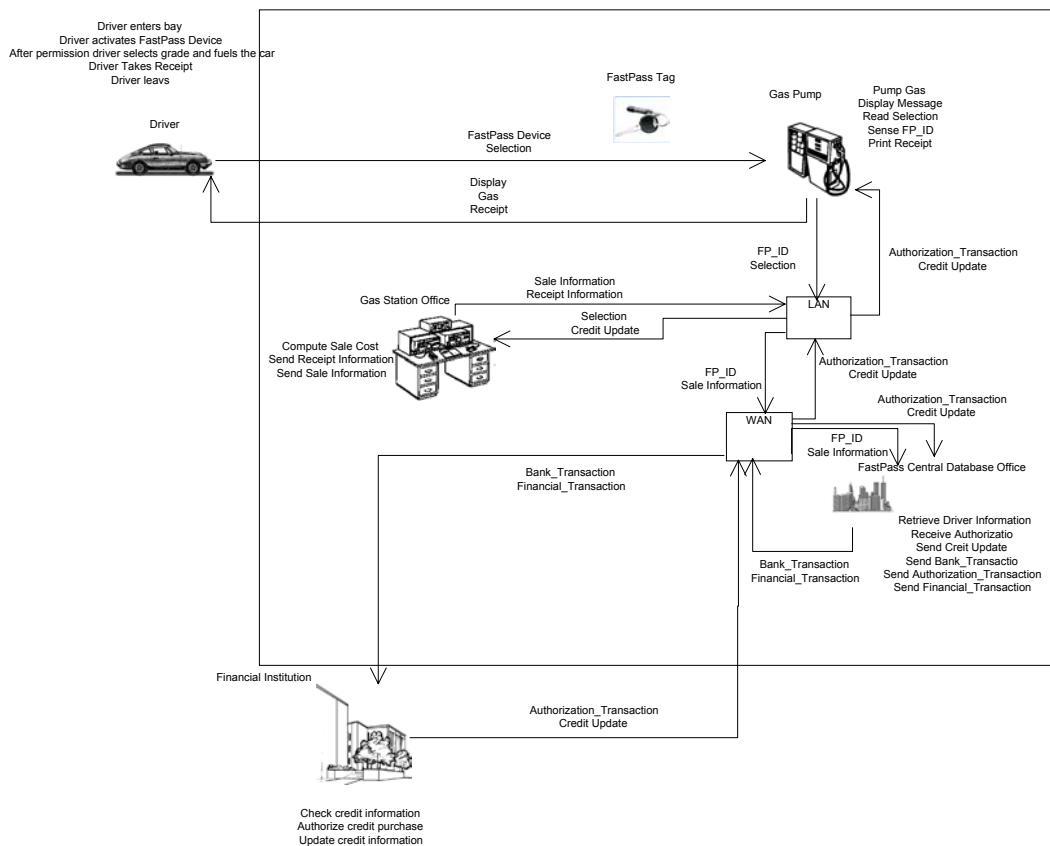


Figure 1. FastPass System Operational Concept

Upon receiving the authorization, the FastPass Central Database Office sends the authorization information to the pump. The pump determines the type of approval. If it is *true* the pump displays a message to the driver to select the gas grade and amount. If the approval is *false*, the pump displays a message to see the attendant and generates an error. Upon receiving the message from the pump for selecting the gas grade and amount, the driver makes a selection. The pump reads the selection and dispenses gas. After dispensing the gas the pump sends the sale information to the gas station office through a local area network (LAN) at the gas station. The gas station office calculates the cost and sends it to the central database office and the pump. The pump prints the receipt for the driver. The central database office sends this information to the financial institution that updates the driver's credit account and sends this information back to the central database office. The central database office updates driver's and gas station database and forwards the updated information to the gas station office, which updates its ledger account.

#### **4. Definitions Of CAF Products for the Fastpass System Example**

To examine the similarity and differences between CAF products that are developed using the two approaches, two architectures were created using the System Architect 2000 tool. Both were based on the same operational concept described in Section 3. One was done using the SA tool set and the other was done using the OO tools. In both cases, the System Architect 2000 tool created an Integrated Dictionary which contained the definitions of every element of every product in the architecture. These element definitions were then compared.

##### ***4.1 Definitions of Operational Architecture view Products***

Tables III contains definitions of the CAF Operational Architecture views products developed using SA and OO approaches for the FastPass system example. These definitions are derived from the two Integrated data dictionaries developed during the process. Column 1 of the tables lists name of the CAF product developed. Since in the OO methodology some of the CAF products are derived directly from the UML diagrams, column 1 names those UML diagrams, too. For example, as mentioned in Table I, the UML Activity diagram can be directly used as an activity model, or OV-5 diagram. Column 1 in Table III lists the name of that product as "OV-5/UML Activity diagram". Column 2 of the table lists the definitions of the terms used in all products. For instance the "OV-2" diagram is consists of "Operational Nodes", "Needlines", "Information Exchange" etc., and they are listed in column 2. In case where UML diagrams are used directly for C4ISR products, column 2 shows the names of the terms used in the UML diagrams, too. For example, the "ICOMs" of the "OV-5" diagram map with the "Message Flows" between objects in the UML activity diagram. Column 2 shows these terms as ICOMs/Message Flows. Column 3 and 4 list terms of the CAF products when they are developed using SA and OO concepts for the FastPass System example.

Table III: CAF Product definitions for FastPass System Example

| CAF Product  | Definition             | Definition of the CAF product developed using Structured Analysis approach for FastPass system | Definition of the CAF product developed using Object Oriented approach for FastPass system |
|--|------------------------|--|--|
| Operational Node Connectivity Description (OV-2 diagram) | Operational Nodes      | Driver   | Driver   |
|  |                        | Fast Pass Central Database   | Fast Pass Central Database   |
|  |                        | Financial Institution  | Financial Institution  |
|  |                        | Gas Station Office   | Gas Station Office   |
|  |                        | Pump   | Pump   |
|  | Information Exchange   | FastPass Device  | FastPass Device  |
|  |                        | Selection  | Selection  |
|  |                        | Display  | Display  |
|  |                        | Receipt  | Receipt  |
|  |                        | Receipt Information  | Receipt Information  |
| Command Relationships chart (OV-4 diagram)               | Organizational Units   | Driver   | Driver   |
|  |                        | Gas Station  | Gas Station  |
|  |                        | FastPass Central Office  | FastPass Central Office  |
|  |                        | Financial Institution  | Financial Institution  |
| Activity Model/UML Activity diagram (OV-5)               | Operational Activities | Operate FastPass System  |  |
|  |                        | Validate Account   |  |
|  |                        | Operate Pump   |  |
|  |                        | Manage Sales   |  |
|  |                        | Present FastPass Tag   | Present FastPass Tag   |
|  |                        | See Display Message  | See Display Message  |
|  |                        | Select Gas Grade & Amount  | Select Gas Grade & Amount  |
|  |                        | Pump Gas   | Pump Gas   |
|  |                        | Take Receipt   | Take Receipt   |
|  |                        | Display Message  | Display Message for Gas Selection  |
|  |                        |  | Display Message to see attendant   |
|  |                        | Sense FastPass   | Sense FastPass   |
|  |                        | Dispense Gas   | Dispense Gas   |
| Print Receipt  | Print Receipt          |  |  |



Table III (continued):

| CAF Product   | Definition         | Definition of the CAF product developed using SA approach for FastPass system | Definition of the CAF product developed using OO approach for FastPass system |
|---|--------------------|---|---|
| Activity Model/UML Activity diagram (OV-5)  | ICOM/Message Flows | FastPass Device   | FastPass Device   |
|   |                    | Display   | Display   |
|   |                    | Receipt   | Receipt   |
|   |                    | Receipt Information   | Receipt Information   |
|   |                    | Driver Information  |   |
|   |                    | Gas Price   |   |
|   |                    |   | [Approval= True]  |
|   | [Approval=False]   |   |   |
| Operational State Transitional Description / UML State Transition diagram (OV-6b) | Diagram State      | Pump is Idle  | Providing FastPass  |
|   |                    | Validating Credit   | Selecting Gas   |
|   |                    | Dispensing Gas  | Pumping Gas   |
|   |                    | Computing Cost of Sale  | Taking Receipt  |
|   |                    | Printing Receipt  | Pump is Idle  |
|   |                    |   | Sensing FastPass  |
|   |                    |   | Requesting Gas  |
|   |                    |   | Dispensing Gas  |
|   |                    |   | Providing Sale Information  |
|   | Printing Receipt   |   |   |
| Operational Event/Trace Description/ UML Sequence diagram (OV-6C)                 | Nodes/Objects      | Driver  | Driver  |
|   |                    | FastPass Central DatabaseOffice   | FastPass Central Database Office  |
|   |                    | Financial Institution   | Financial Institution   |
|   |                    | Gas-Station Office  | Gas-Station Office  |
|   |                    | Pump  | Pump  |
|   |                    |   |   |
|   | Object State       | Present FastPass Tag  | Present FastPass Tag  |
|   |                    | See Display Message   | See Display Message   |
|   |                    | Select Gas Grade & Amount   | Select Gas Grade & Amount   |
|   |                    | Pump Gas  | Pump Gas  |
|   |                    | Take Receipt  | Take Receipt  |

Table III (continued):

| CAF Product                                 | Definition                       | Definition of the CAF product developed using Structured Analysis approach for FastPass system | Definition of the CAF product developed using Object Oriented approach for FastPass system                            |                    |
|---|----------------------------------|--|---|--------------------|
| Logical Data Model/UML Class diagram (OV-7) | Entities/ Association Classes    | FastPass Device  | FastPass Device   |                    |
|   |                                  | Driver Database  | Driver Database<br>Credit Card database (modeled as aggregate classes for the class FastPass Central Database Office) |                    |
|   |                                  | Credit card database   |   |                    |
|   |                                  | Financial Transaction  | Financial Transaction   |                    |
|   |                                  | Authorization Transaction  | Authorization Transaction   |                    |
|   |                                  | Display  | Display   |                    |
|   |                                  | Selection  | Selection   |                    |
|   |                                  | Operational Node/ Classes  | Driver  | Driver             |
|   |                                  |  | Pump  | Pump               |
|   |                                  |  | Gas Station Office  | Gas Station Office |
|   | Financial Institution            |  | Financial Institution   |                    |
|   | FastPass Central Database Office |  | FastPass Central Database Office  |                    |
|   | Relationship                     | Defines  |   |                    |
|   |                                  | Included in  |   |                    |
|   |                                  | Required for   |   |                    |
|   |                                  | Triggers   |   |                    |
|   |                                  | Does   |   |                    |
|   |                                  | Used to compute  |   |                    |
|   |                                  | Leads to   |   |                    |
|   | Produces                         |  |   |                    |

As shown in Table III, many definitions of the products developed using two different approaches match each other. The definitions for “Operational Nodes”, “Information Exchange”, “Organizational Units”, “Operational Activities”, “Object State”, and “Entities/Association Classes” map with each other. The reason is that the CAF products using both SA and the OO approaches were developed from the same operational concept. Figure 2 illustrates mapping between High Level Operational Concept, Operational Node Connectivity Description, and the UML Class diagram.

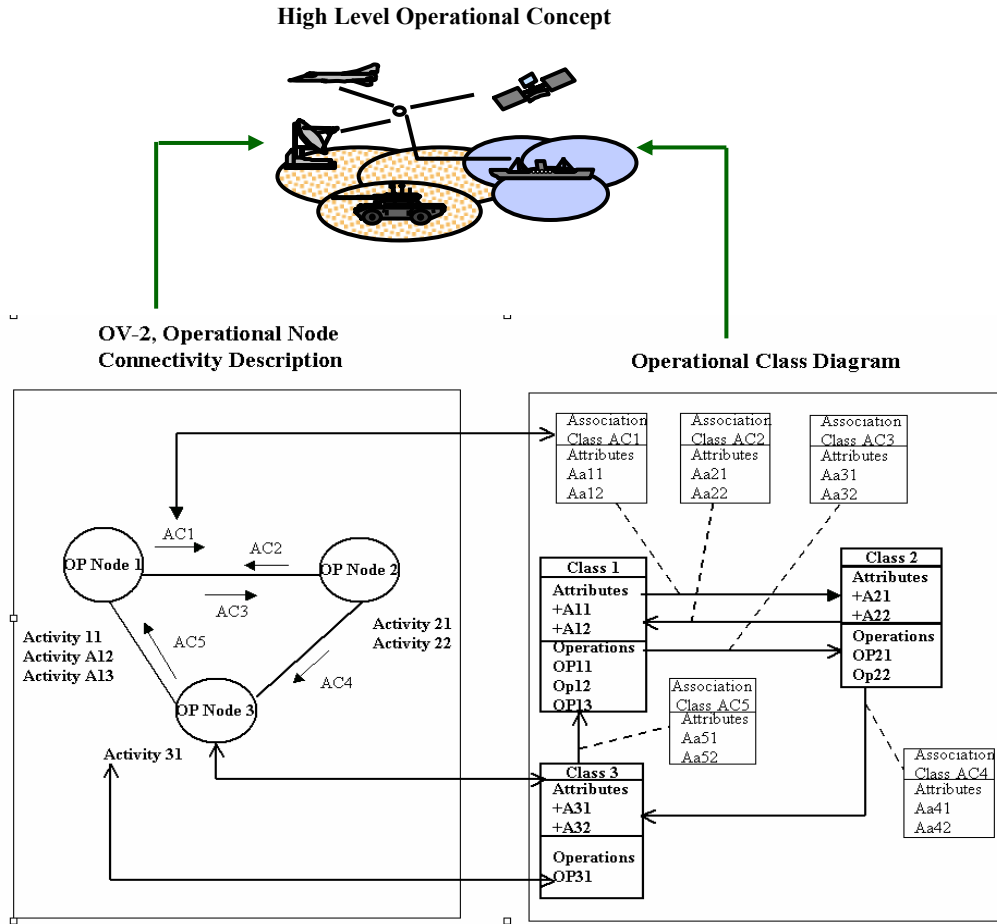


Figure 2: Mapping between Operational Concept, Operational Node Connectivity Description, and UML Class Diagram

As shown in Figure 2, the UML class diagram and the Operational Node Connectivity description are derived from the same operational concept. The “Classes” of the UML diagram, e.g. *Class 1*, *Class 2*, map with the “Operational Nodes”, *OP Node 1*, *OP Node 2*, of the Operational Node Connectivity Description. The “Association Classes” *Association Class AC1*, *Association Class AC2* map with the “Information Exchange”, and the “Operations” *OP11*, *OP12* of the classes map with the “Operational Activities” *Activity11*, *Activity 12* of the OV-2 diagram. Figure 3 illustrates the mapping between the Activity Model (OV-5) diagram, the UML Activity diagram and the Operational Node Connectivity Description. As shown in the figure the activities (operations) of the “Classes” in the UML Activity diagram, activities of the operational Nodes and the activities of the child diagram in the OV-5 match with each other. Similarly the “Message Flows” between the activities in the Class diagram map with the “Information Exchange”, and the “ICOMs” of the activity model.

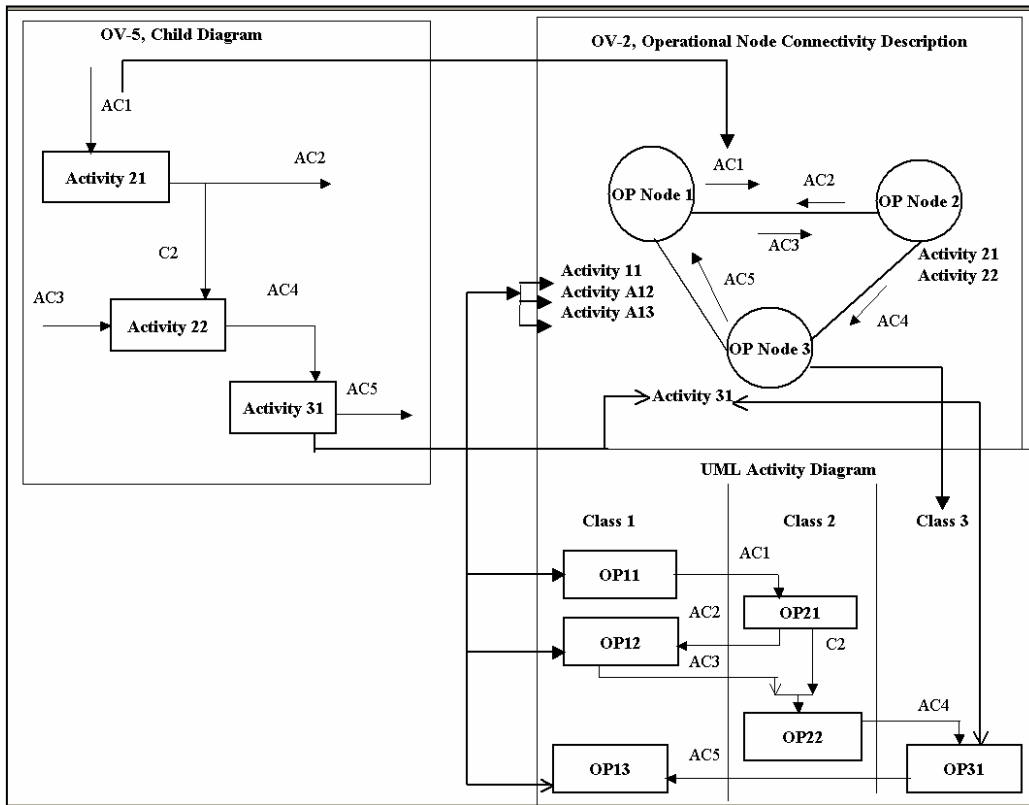


Figure 3: Mapping between Activity Model (OV-5) diagram, Operational Node Connectivity Description, and the UML Activity diagram.

The mapping illustrated in Figures 2 and 3 is evident from the definitions of the terms listed in Table III for FastPass example. The “Operational Nodes” and the “Classes” have the same definitions like, *Driver*, *Pump*, etc., Similarly, the “Information Exchange”, “Message Flows”, and the “ICOM”s have identical definitions as *FastPass Device*, *Selection*, and *Display*. The definitions of the “Operational Activities” for the OV-5 child diagram and activities (operations) of the “Classes” for the UML Activity diagram match with each other. For example, the activities *Present FastPass Tag*, *Pump gas*, etc. are identical across products.

In some cases there are certain definition that are either not present in one of the two dictionaries or they do not match. For the CAF OV-5 product “Activity Model/UML Activity diagram”, the definitions of the “Operational Activities” in column 3 are *Operate FastPass System*, *Validate Account*, *Operate Pump*, *Manage Sales*, these terms do not match with any term in column 4 containing definitions for the OO approach. The reason is in the current approach for developing UML activity diagram the concept of hierarchy or functional decomposition is not used, and therefore, the activities

(operations) of the classes are the same as the lower level activities in the activity model developed using the SA approach. Also, as shown in Table III, column 3 has the definition *Display Message*, whereas, column 4 has definitions *Display Message for gas selection* and *Display message to see attendant*. The difference is because in the UML activity diagram, the two display messages are modeled at the decision point, while, in the activity model developed using SA approach a decision point is not modeled, but rather the decision about *Display Message* is given in the rule model. The rule model for the activity *Display Message* states that if the approval for authorization is true, then the pump should display the message for gas selection, and if the approval is false then the pump should display message for seeing the attendant. This explanation is also valid for the ICOM definitions, [Approval= True], and [Approval= False] in column 4 of Table III. These two definitions are not present in the data dictionary for SA approach since the decision point in OV-5 diagram is not modeled, but at such point, the rule model explains the decision to be taken by the pump. Moreover, the ICOM definitions *Driver Information*, and *Gas Price* are not present in the OO data dictionary, because, these two definitions come as input to the activities from the data stores, and the UML activity diagram for Operational Nodes does not model the aggregate classes that behave as data stores.

In the SA approach, one State Transition diagram (OV-6b) is developed for the entire architecture, whereas, in OO methodology, state transition for each object/class is developed, separately. Since the approach used in both methodologies is different, the definitions used for the states in one data dictionary may also differ from the other. As shown in column 3 of Table III, the definitions for states of the system *Pump is Idle*, *Validating Credit*, and *Dispensing gas* do not match totally with the definitions of the states for each object in column 4. For example in column 4 the definitions *Providing FastPass*, *Selecting Gas*, *Pumping Gas*, and *Taking Receipt* are various states of the class *Driver*.

In the OO approach, Class diagram for operational classes can be used directly as Logical Data Model (OV-7), whereas, in the SA approach, OV-7 can be created using the IDEF1X or Entity Relationship Diagram formalisms. As shown in Table III many definitions of the “Entities” map with the definitions of the “Association Classes” of the Class diagram like *FastPass Device*, and *Display, Selection*. Whereas, a few entities like *Driver Database* and *Credit Card Database* are modeled as aggregate classes in the UML class diagram, and they behave as a “data store” that contain information about the driver and his credit card. Also, as shown in Table III, column 3 has definitions for the “Relationship” between entities in the Logical Data Model, whereas, column 4 does not have such definitions because, in the UML Class diagram the relationships between the classes are not named.

#### **4.2 Definitions of Operational Architecture view Products**

Table IV contains definitions of the CAF System Architecture views products developed using both the SA and the OO approaches. Column 1 of the table lists names of the CAF products, column 2 of the table lists the definitions of the terms used in all products and

columns 3 and 4 give the names of the definitions from the SA and the OO Integrated Dictionaries, respectively.

Table IV: CAF System Architecture View products definitions for FastPass System Example

| CAF Product                         | Definition           | Definition of the CAF product developed using Structured Analysis approach for FastPass system | Definition of the CAF product developed using Object Oriented approach for FastPass system |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| System Interface Description (SV-1) | System Node          | Driver   | Driver   |
|                                     |                      | FastPass Central Database  | FastPass Central Database  |
|                                     |                      | Gas Station Office   | Gas Station Office   |
|                                     |                      | Financial Institution  | Financial Institution  |
|                                     |                      | Pump   | Pump   |
|                                     | System Elements      | Pump Control Unit  | Pump Control Unit  |
|                                     |                      | Gas Dispenser  | Gas Dispenser  |
|                                     |                      | Key Pad  | Key Pad  |
|                                     |                      | Sensor   | Sensor   |
|                                     |                      | Monitor  | Monitor  |
|                                     |                      | Printer  | Printer  |
|                                     |                      | Gas Station Control Unit   | Gas Station Control Unit   |
|                                     |                      | Ledger   | Ledger   |
|                                     |                      | Gas Price  | Gas Price  |
|                                     |                      | Calculator   | Calculator   |
|                                     |                      | FastPass Database Control Unit   | FastPass Database Control Unit   |
|                                     |                      | Driver Database  | Driver Database  |
|                                     |                      | Financial Institution Control Unit   | Financial Institution Control Unit   |
|                                     | Credit Card Database | Credit Card Database   |  |
|                                     | System Data Exchange | FastPass Device  | FastPass Device  |
|                                     |                      | Display  | Display  |
|                                     |                      | Receipt  | Receipt  |
|                                     |                      | FastPass ID  | FastPass ID  |
|                                     |                      | Authorization Transaction  | Authorization Transaction  |
|                                     |                      | Dispensed Gas Data   | Dispensed Gas Data   |
|                                     |                      | Selection  | Selection  |
|                                     |                      |  | [Approval=True]  |
|                                     |                      | [Approval=False]   |  |

Table IV (continued):

| CAF Product                              | Definition          | Definition of the CAF product developed using Structured Analysis approach for FastPass system | Definition of the CAF product developed using Object Oriented approach for FastPass system |
|--|---------------------|--|--|
| Systems Communication Description (SV-2) | Communication Nodes | WAN  | WAN  |
|  |                     | LAN  | LAN  |
|  |                     | Microwave  | Microwave  |
|  |                     | Pump communication unit  | Pump communication unit  |
|  |                     | Gas Station Communication unit   | Gas Station Communication unit   |
| Systems Functionality Description (SV-4) | System Functions    | Sense FastPass   | Sense FastPass   |
|  |                     | Display Message  | Display Message for gas selection  |
|  |                     |  | Display Message to see attendant   |
|  |                     | Read Grade   | Read Grade   |
|  |                     | Read Amount  | Read Amount  |
|  |                     | Print Receipt  | Print Receipt  |
|  |                     | Compute cost of sale   | Compute cost of sale   |
|  |                     | Update Account   | Update Account   |
|  |                     | Retrieve driver Information  | Retrieve driver Information  |
|  |                     | Receive Authorization  | Receive Authorization  |
|  |                     | Request charge   | Request charge   |
|  |                     | Receive credit update  | Receive credit update  |
|  |                     |  | Present FastPass Tag   |
|  |                     |  | Select gas grade and amount  |
|  |                     |  | Pump gas   |
|  |                     |  | Take receipt   |
|  |                     |  | Validate account   |
|  |                     |  | Update Credit  |
|  |                     | Data Store/Aggregate Classes   | Driver Database  |
|  | Gas Price           |  | Gas Price  |

As listed in Table IV, the definitions of the “System Nodes”, “System Elements”, and “System Data Exchange” in both approaches match with each other. The definitions of the “System Nodes” are the same as the definitions of the “Operational Nodes”. In the OO approach, the System Interface Description is derived from the Systems Class diagram. The mapping between the two diagrams is shown in Figure 4.

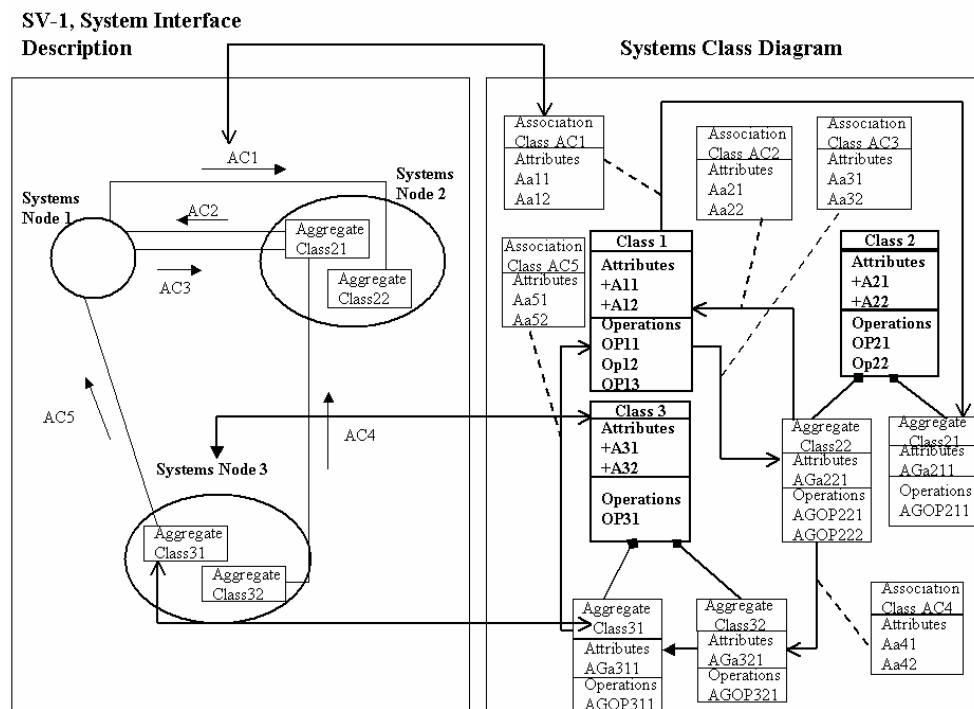


Figure 4: Mapping between System Interface Description (SV-2) and UML Class diagram for Systems Classes

As shown in Figure 4, the “System Classes” *Class 1*, *Class 2*, etc. map with the “System Nodes” *Systems Node 1*, *Systems Node 2*, etc., the “Aggregate Classes” *Aggregate Class31*, *Aggregate Class32* map with the “System Elements”, and the “Association Classes” match the “System Data Exchange”. For the FastPass example, *Printer*, *Pump Control Unit*, and *Gas Price* are the “Aggregate Classes” for the classes *Pump*, and *Gas Station Office* respectively in the UML Class diagram for the System Classes. These terms match with the “System Elements” for the “System Nodes” *Pump* and *Gas Station Office*. The definitions for the “Communication Nodes” in both SA and OO dictionaries are the same.

In the SA approach the System Functionality Description (SV-4) is illustrated using either a Data Flow diagram or an Activity Model. In the OO methodology, UML Activity



diagram can be used directly as SV-4 diagram. For this paper the author has used Data Flow diagram to model the Systems Functionality Description in the SA approach. Figure 5 shows the mapping between the UML Activity diagram and the Data Flow diagram.

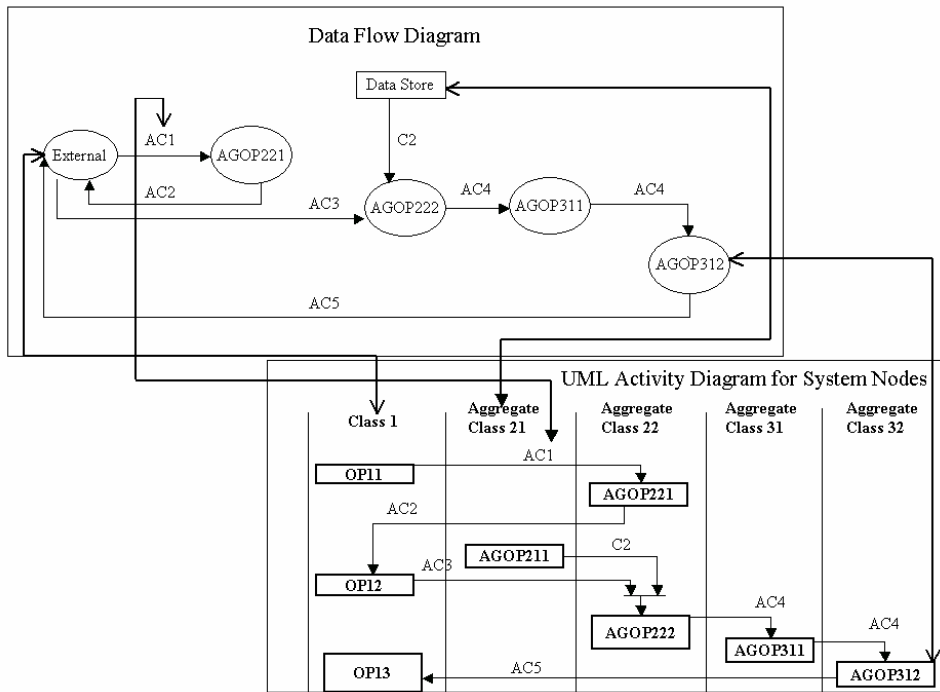


Figure 5: Mapping between UML Activity diagram and the Data Flow diagram

The mapping shown in the Figure 5 is also evident in the definitions of the terms listed in Table IV. The activities (operations) of the classes map with the “System Functions” such as *Sense FastPass*, *Read Grade*, and *Read Amount*. The definitions *Present FastPass Tag*, *Select Gas Grade and Amount*, and *Take Receipt* are functions of the *Driver Class/System* node that is external to the system. The data flow diagram models the external system node but not its functions, and therefore, the definitions of functions of the node external to the system are not presenting SA dictionary. Figure 5 also shows the mapping between the “Data Store” and the Aggregate Classes. In FastPass system, the definitions of the “Data Store” map with the definitions of the “Aggregate Classes” such as *Gas Price* and *Driver Database*.

When C4ISR products were developed for FastPass system using SA and OO approaches, the two data dictionaries contained numerous definitions for Operational Architecture and System Architecture view products. All these definitions are not listed in Tables III and IV. However, sufficient definitions have been listed to show the similarities and the differences between these definitions.

## 5. Summary

This paper discussed the reuse of definitions contained by an Integrated Dictionary of the CAF products. FastPass system example is used to develop CAF products using Structured Analysis and Object Oriented approaches. The components of the two Integrated Dictionaries were compared to find out the similarities and the differences among the terms used. The contents of the two Integrated Dictionaries show that most of the terms are identical, and they can be reused when the products are to be developed using either of the two approaches. However, there are certain differences among those terms that occur because of the difference in the two architecture development techniques. Thus, an architect will have to use experience and domain knowledge to "fill in the blanks" when re-using products from one architecture in another.

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