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# Directed Energy Weapons System Modular Open Systems Approach Reference Architecture (DEWS MOSA RA)

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# Outline

- DEWS Reference Architecture Development
- Reference Architecture Implementation through MBSE tools
- DEWS MOSA RA and SOSA harmonization

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# MOSA is ...

**“An integrated **business and technical strategy** that employs a **modular design** and, where appropriate, defines **key interfaces** using **widely supported, consensus-based standards** that are published and maintained by a **recognized industry standards organization.**”**

*“A Modular Open Systems Approach (MOSA) to Acquisition,” Open Systems Joint Task Force (OSJTF)*

**Improve interoperability** – severable software and hardware modules that can be changed independently.

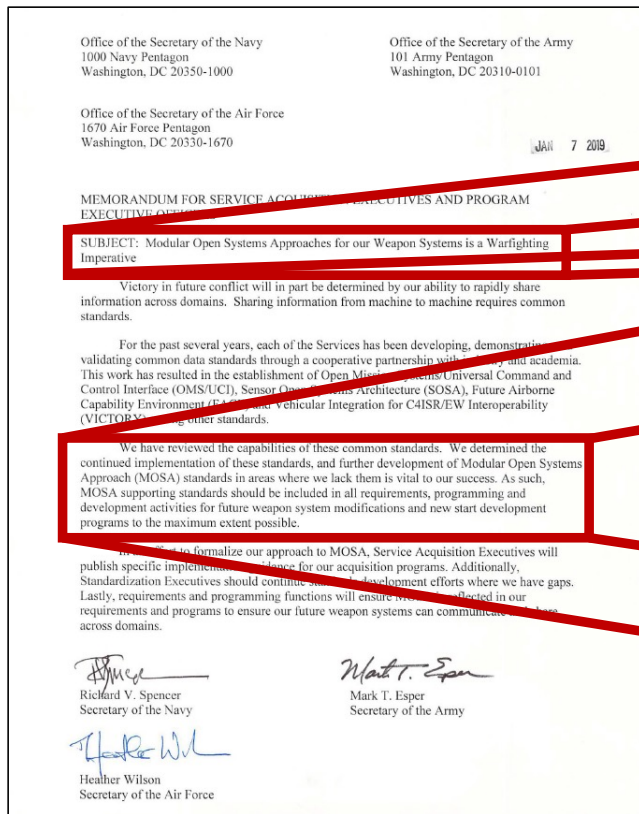
**Facilitate technology refresh** – delivery of new capabilities or replacement technology without requiring change to all elements in the entire system.

**Enhance competition** – open architecture with severable modules, allowing elements to be openly competed.

**Incorporate innovation** – operational flexibility to configure and reconfigure available assets to meet rapidly changing operational requirements.

**Enable cost savings/cost avoidance** – reuse of technology, modules, and/or elements from any supplier across the acquisition life cycle.

# Tri-Service Secretaries Memorandum: MOSA as a Warfighting Imperative (Jan 7, 2019)

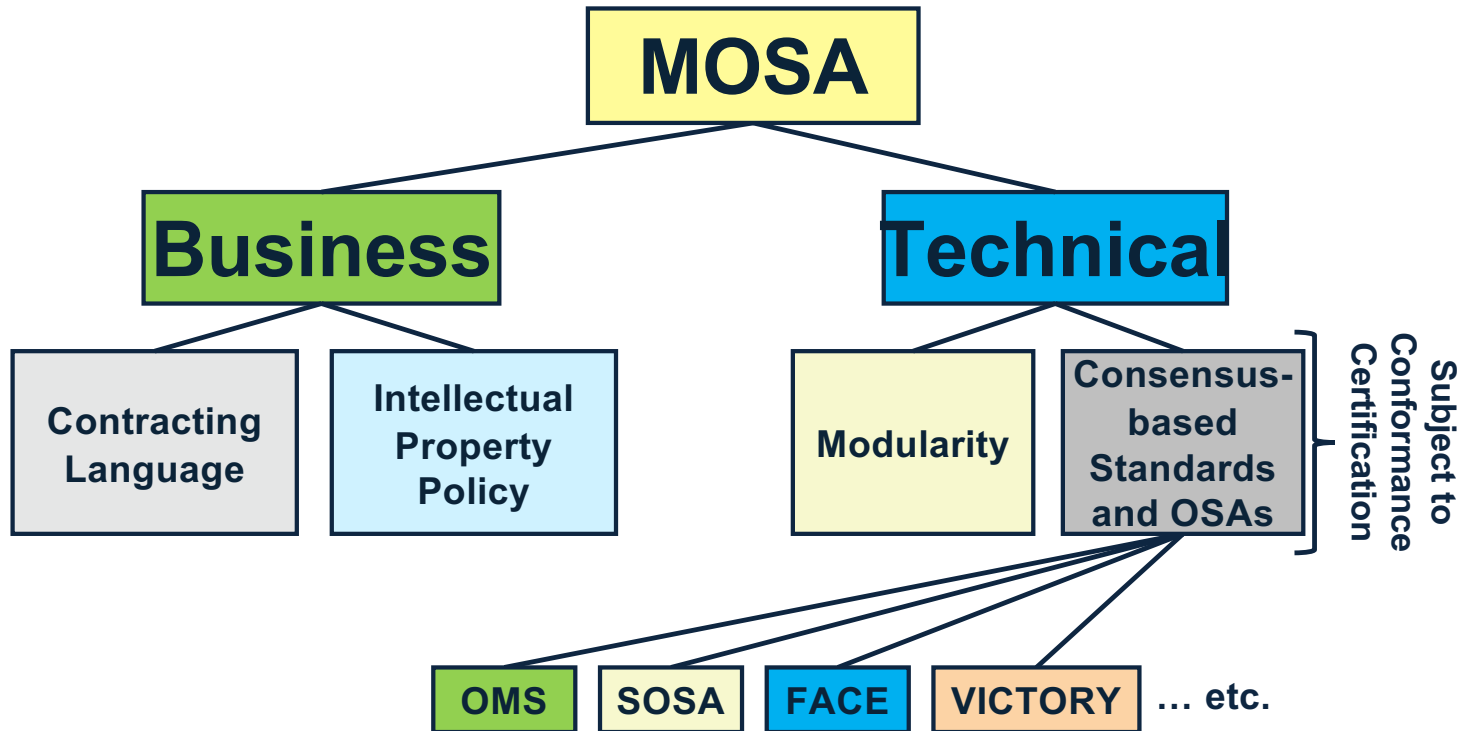


**SUBJECT: Modular Open Systems Approaches for our Weapon Systems is a Warfighting Imperative**

We determined the continued implementation of these standards, and further development of Modular Open Systems Approach (MOSA) standards\* in areas where we lack them is vital to our success. As such, MOSA supporting standards should be included in all requirements, programming and development activities for future weapon system modifications and new start development programs to the maximum extent possible.

\* OMS/UCI, SOSA, FACE and VICTORY

# Decomposing MOSA

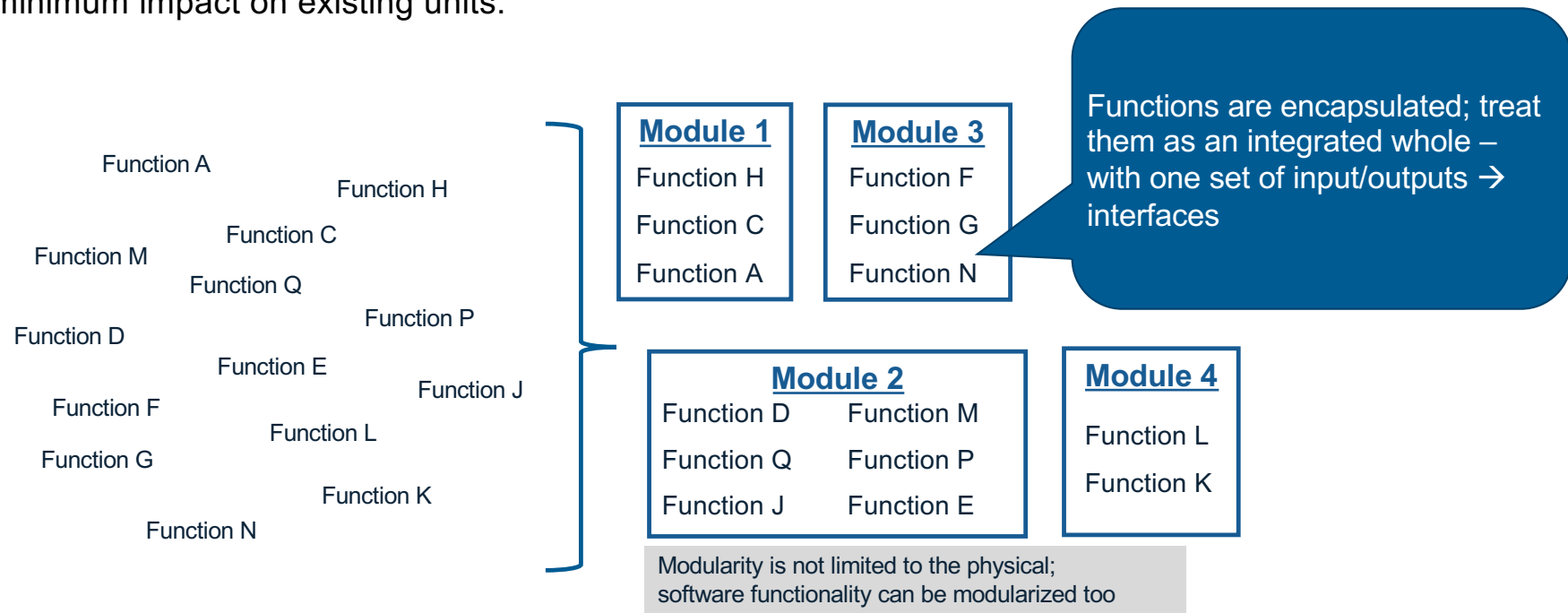


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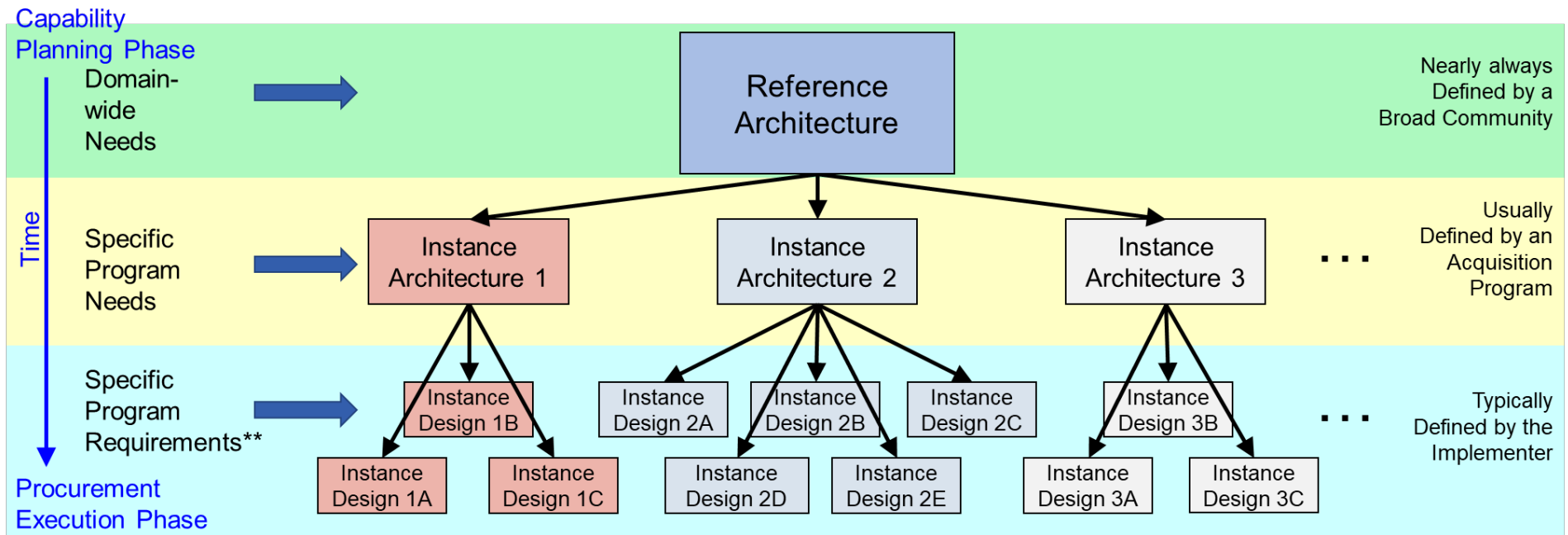
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# Defining Modularity for the DEWS MOSA RA

“... functionality is partitioned into discrete, cohesive, and self-contained units with well-defined interfaces that permit substitution of such units with similar components or products from alternate sources with minimum impact on existing units.”



# How a Reference Architecture fits into the Development Process



\* The Reference Architecture will evolve over time as experience from its use is folded back into it

\*\* Selection of the Implemented Design will be based on factors such as price/performance trades, SWaP, etc.

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# Directed Energy Weapon System (DEWS) MOSA Reference Architecture

- Directed energy systems are becoming technically mature, on the verge of being more widely deployed
- Services and programs all going in their own direction – and there was no OSA for DEWS

## Needs

- MOSA-based approach to “guide and constrain” development and procurement
- Well-defined, government “owned” open interfaces between modules
- Developer-independent modules
- Service- and Host Platform-independent OSA

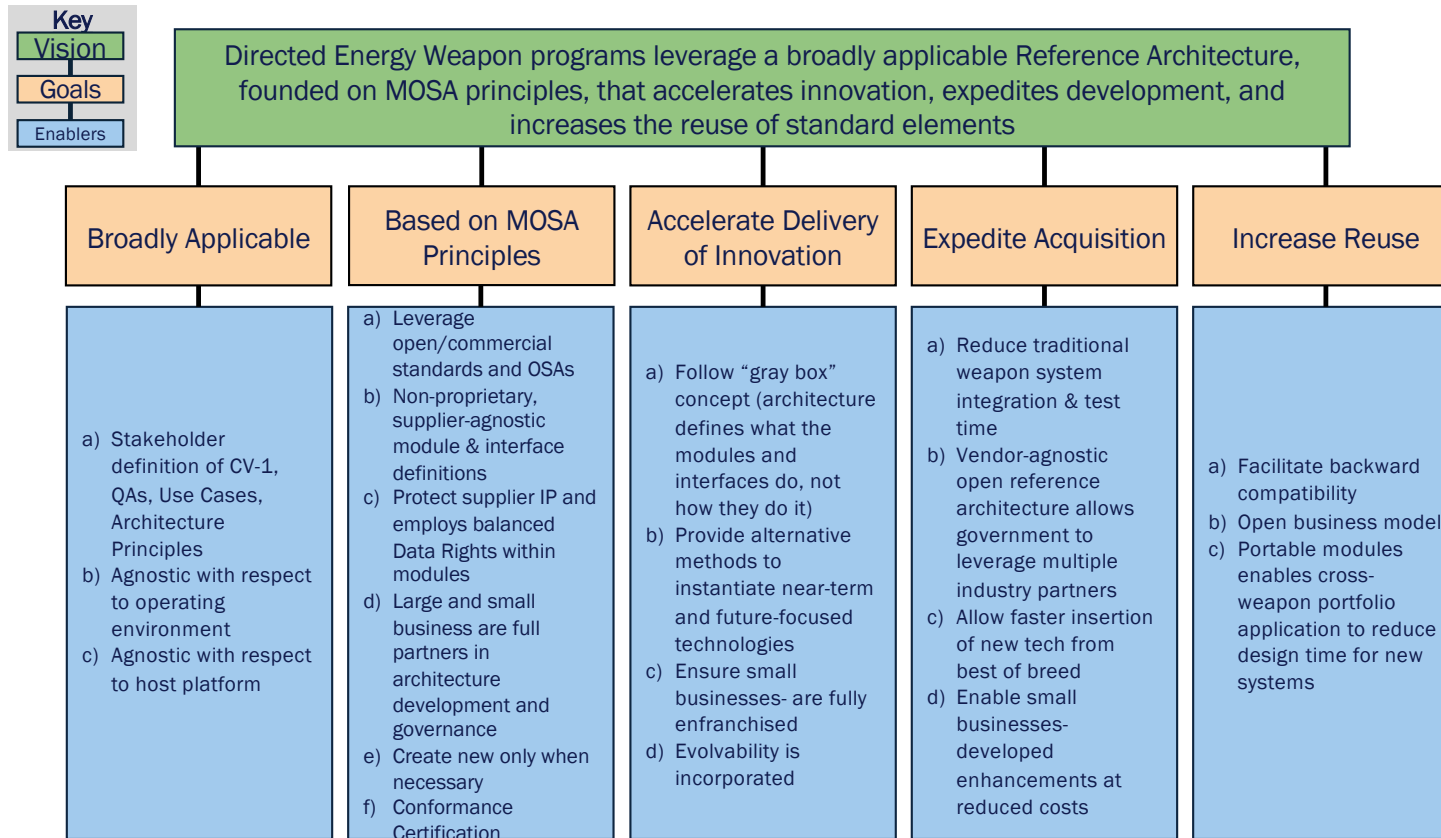
## To Enable

- Rapid, cost-effective, and supportable DEWS fielding (reduced time from R&D, to prototyping, to integration, to DT and OT)
- Extend service life of systems through incremental upgrades (including from third-party sources)
- Industrial base expansion and engagement → ecosystem (economies of scale)
- Aligned R&D investment
- Reuse across programs and Services

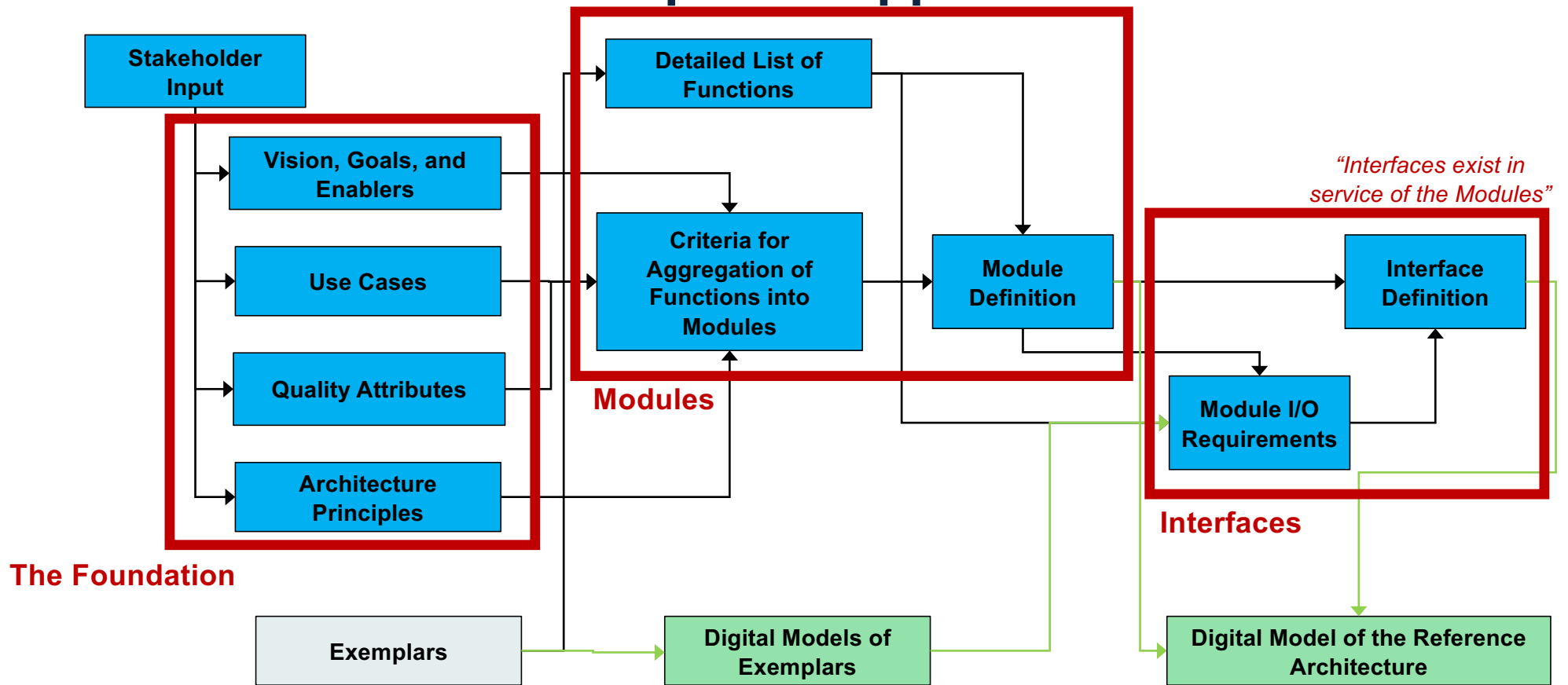
# Learn from Systems under Development

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Bane	Navy	HPM	Land	Dahlgren DEW Office (DEWO)	
Tactical High-Power Microwave Operational Responder (THOR)	USAF	HPM	Land	AFRL	BAE Systems (BAE), Leidos, Verus Research
DE-Maneuver Short Range Air Defense (MSHORAD)	Army	HEL	Land	Army RCCTO	Kord Technologies (Kord)
Indirect Fire Protection High Energy Laser (IFPC-HEL)	Army	HEL	Land	RCCTO, OSD, SMDC	Dynetics (a Leidos Co.), Lockheed Martin Corporation (LMC), MZA Associates Corporation (MZA)
High Power Joint Electromagnetic Non-Kinetic Strike (HiJENKS)	Navy: ONR USAF: AFRL	HPM	Air	Dahlgren /Kirtland	LMC
Self-protect High Energy Laser Demonstrator (SHIELD)	USAF	HEL	Air	AFRL	LMC
Airborne High Energy Laser (AHEL)	USAF	HEL	Air	AF Special Operations Command (AFSOC)	
High Energy Laser with Integrated Optical-dazzler and Surveillance (HELIOS)	Navy	HEL	Sea	PEO IWS 2	LMC
Layered Laser Defense (LLD)	Navy	HEL	Sea	ONR	LMC
Solid State Laser Technology Maturation (SSL-TM)	Navy	HEL	Sea	Dahlgren	Northrop Grumman

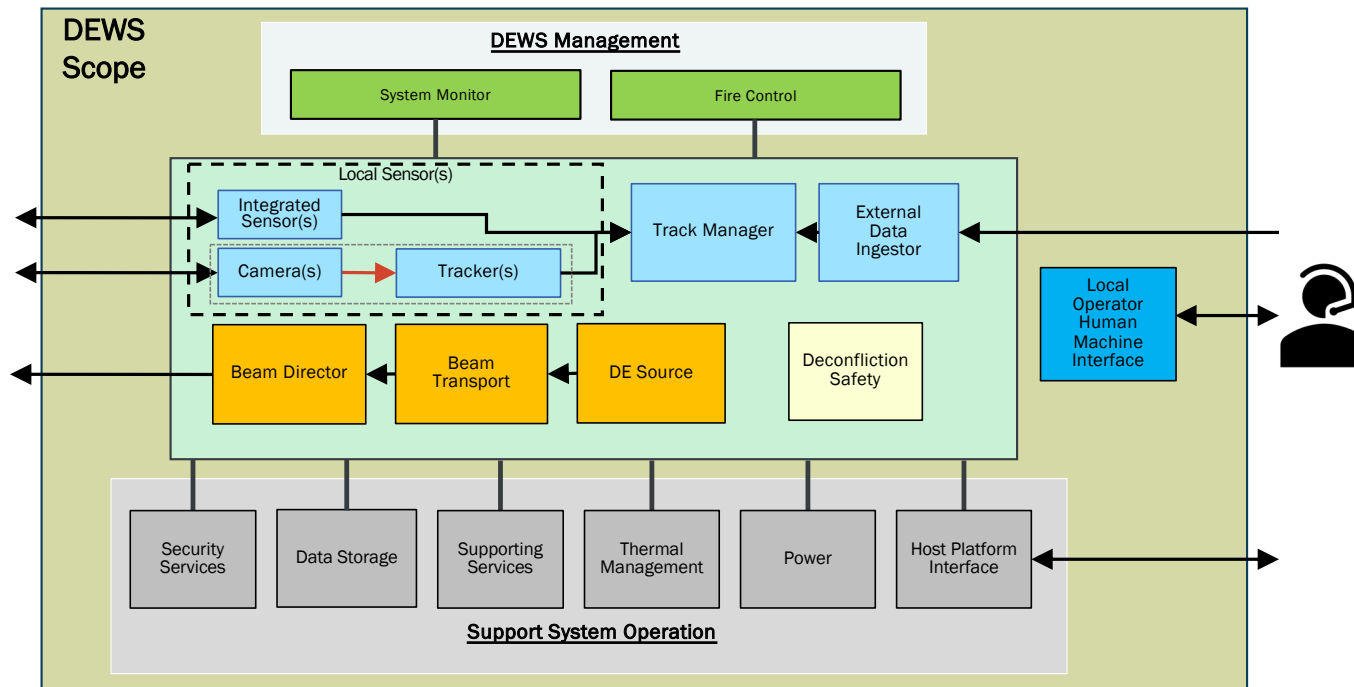
# DEWS RA Vision, Goals, Enablers



# DEWS MOSA RA Development Approach



# DEWS Open Reference Architecture Modules



\* Showing only a small subset of interfaces to ensure clarity of the graphic

## Example of Functions Encapsulated in one Module

ID	Name	Description
21.11	Display Situational Awareness Data	Displays map of system tracks relative to host platform. May include symbology (e.g., MIL-STD-2525), overlays, etc. Display sources include result of the current track store, Local Sensors, primary aperture, or direct feed from External Sensor or Host Platform. This display is also a user interface for functions such as designating tracks. If a track is to be designated for attack, the designated object is tagged as the target
21.13	Display Video	Displays Integrated Sensor video feeds to DEWS operator for use in carrying out engagements. The feeds may be real-time or pre-recorded. The operator display allows the replay, pause, rewind, fast forward, etc. (so-called TiVo functionality) permitting reconstruction and analysis.
21.14	H&S Status Update	Requests and receives system H&S from the System Monitor
21.15	Display and Control Status	Provides visual display of system status (received from Fire Control), view and control states/modes (conveyed to Fire Control), system power on/off, fault conditions and alarms (including the ability to drill-down to gather more detail, and clearing alarms)
21.16	Initiate BIT	Requests that the System Monitor Module that a Built-in Test (BIT) to be performed

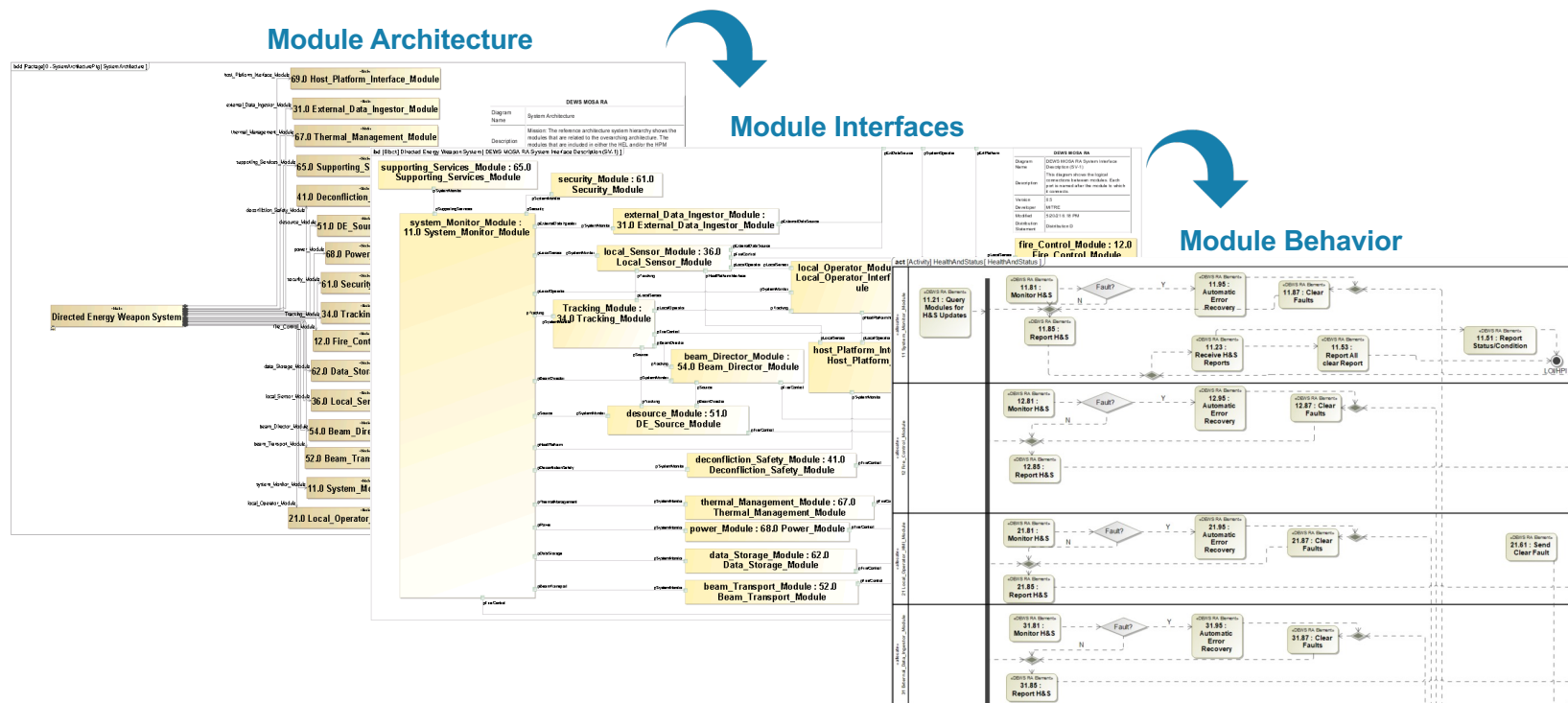
# Mapping Functions → I/O Needs → Inter-Module Interactions

ID	Name	Input Needs	Input Source	Product Produced	Product Destination
21.11	Display Situational Awareness Data	Track Data (tracks and kinematic data)	Track Manager Module	Data in display format	Fire Control Module
21.13	Display Video	Video data	Local Sensor Module (real-time) and Data Storage Module (playback)	Video in display format	(local operator display)
21.14	H&S Status Update	H&S status report	System Monitor Module	Status request	System Monitor Module
21.15	Display and Control Status	System status data,	Fire Control Module	Data in display format, Control messages	(local operator display), Fire Control Module
21.16	Initiate BIT	Operator input	(controls internal to this module)	Request to initiate BIT	System Monitor Module

Only showing five of the 26 functions for Module 21 (Local Operator HMI)

# DEWS MOSA Reference Architecture Model

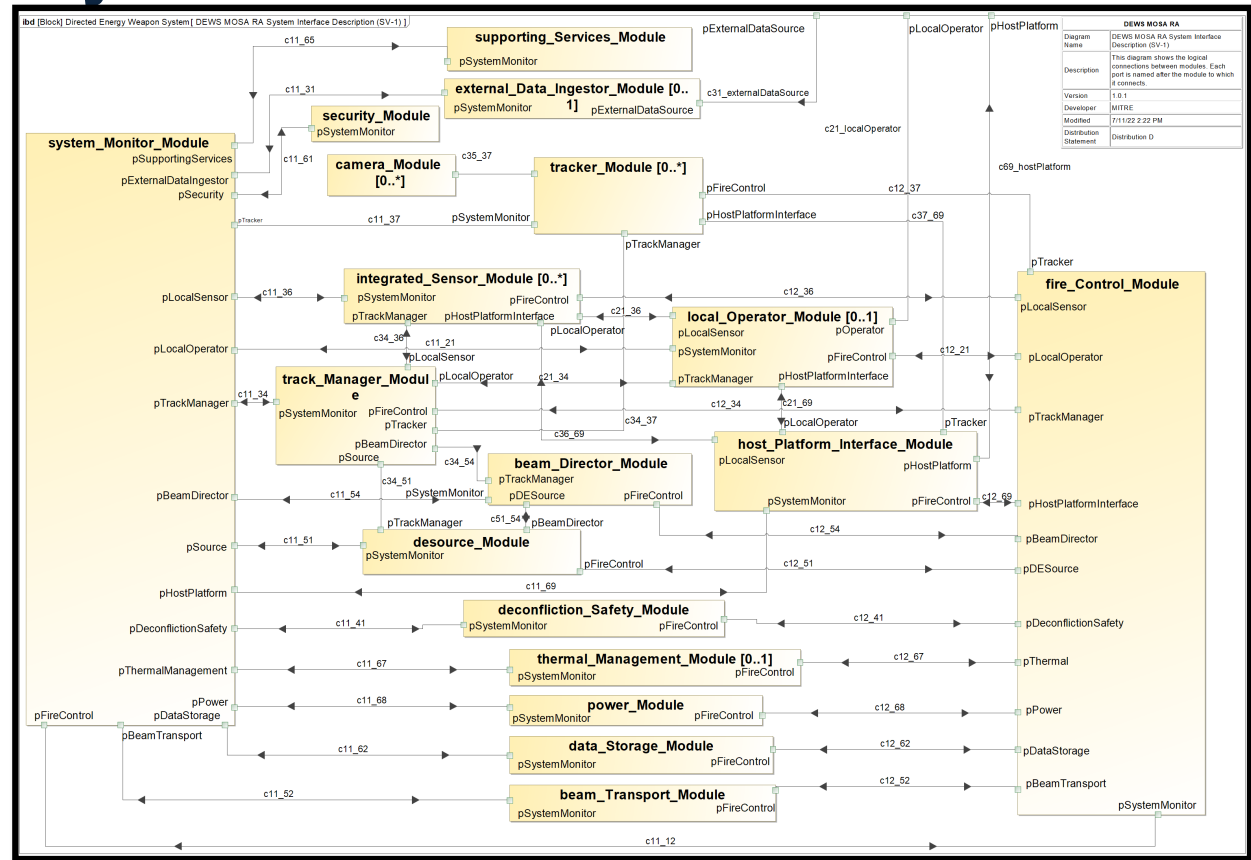
- The DEWS MOSA RA will be provided as a Digital Engineering product, directly usable as a base for implementing programs
- Accompanying documentation will provide guidance on use, including with other standards



# DEWS RA Module System Architecture

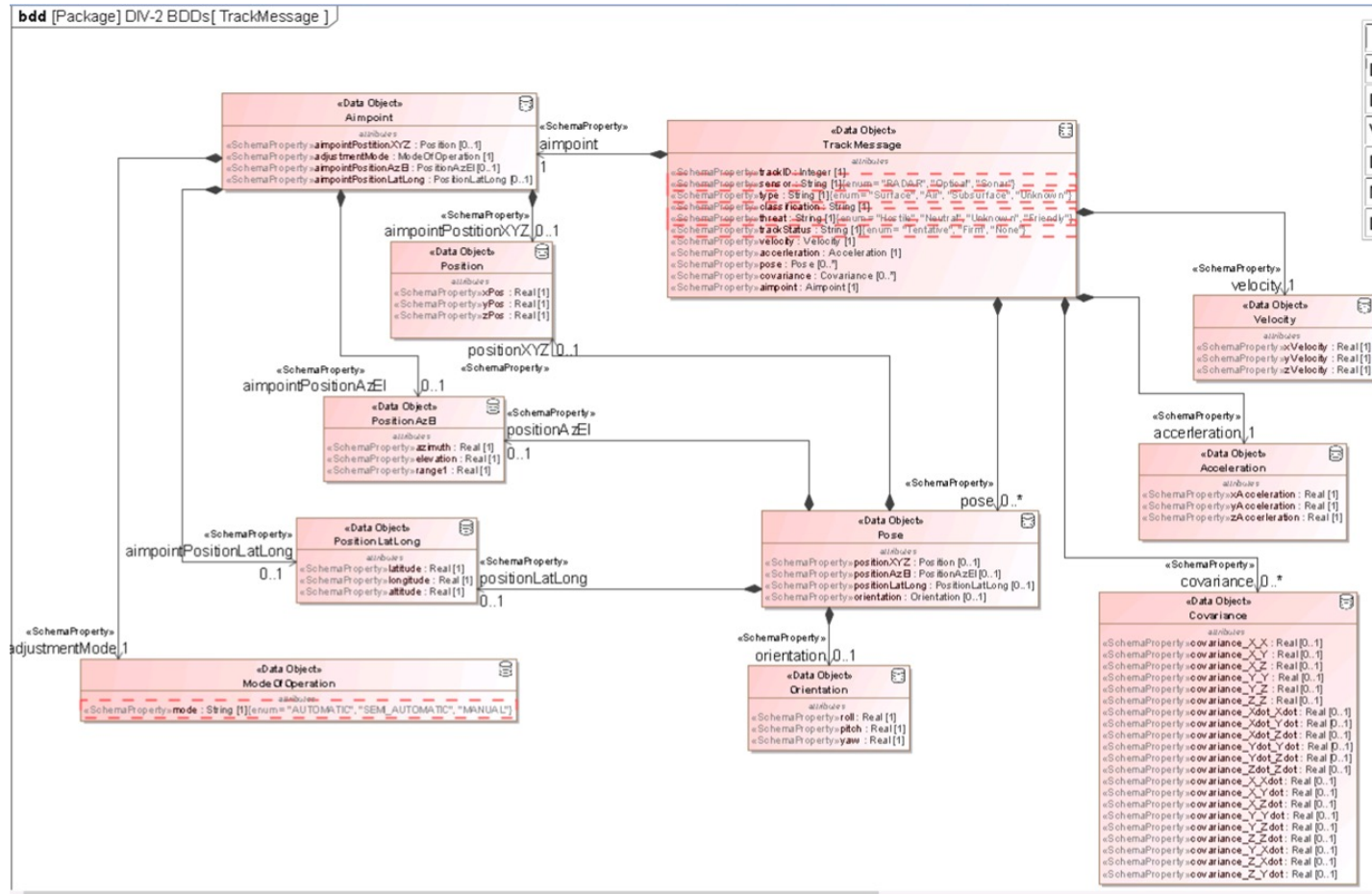


Module Definitions



Module Blocks connected via ports with interface definitions

# DEWS RA Data Model – Track Message Data Object

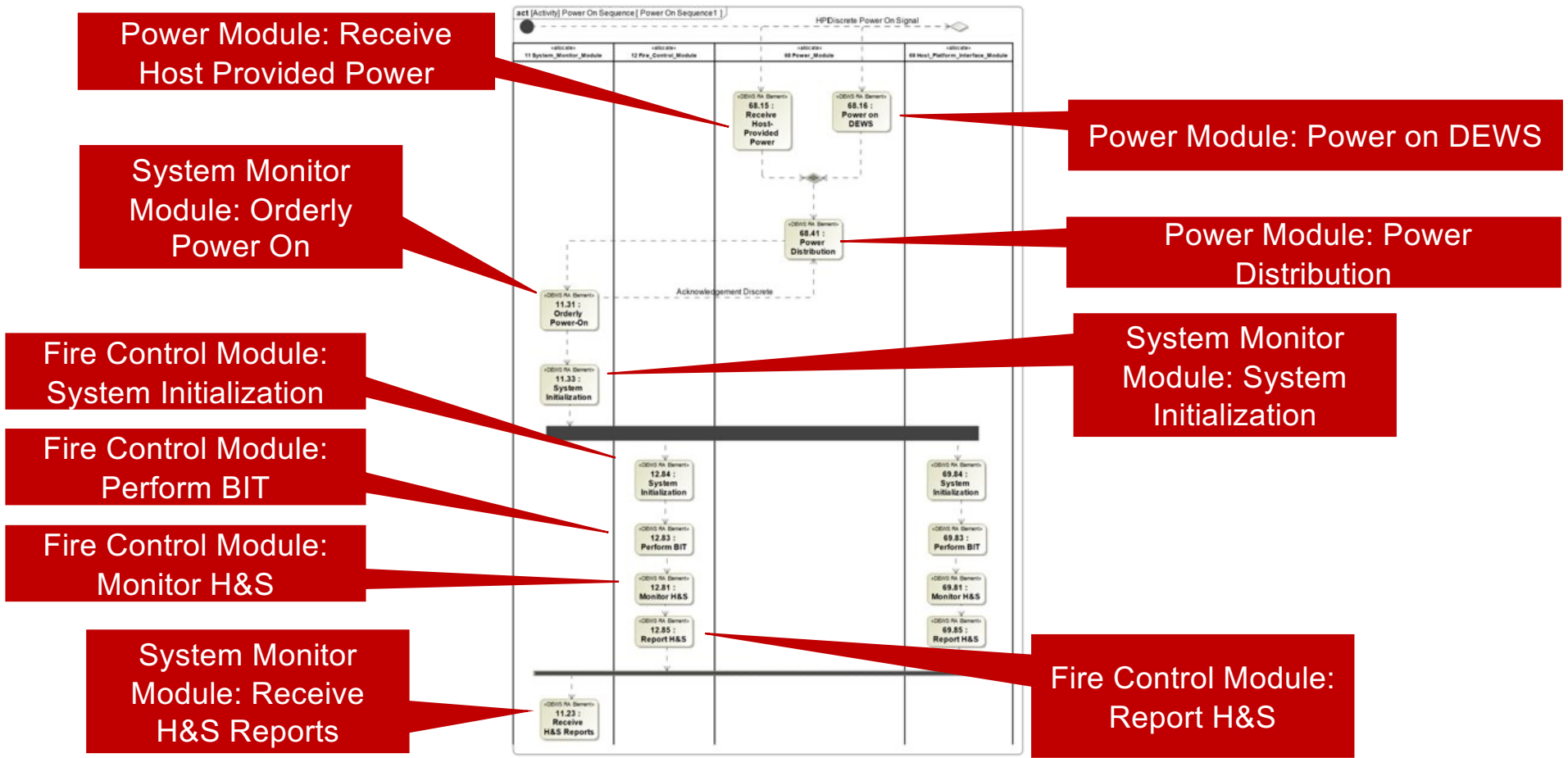


# DEWS RA Data Model – Track Message Definitions


API Object	Data Object Description	Name	Documentation	Type	Multiplicity	Minimum	Maximum	Enumeration
Acceleration	Three dimensional acceleration	xAcceleration	Acceleration of the x-component of an XYZ_ENU axis; if no reference point is specified, reference point should be the center of ownship/host; (units: Kilometers/Second^2)	Real	1			
Acceleration	Three dimensional acceleration	yAcceleration	Acceleration of the y-component of an XYZ_ENU axis; if no reference point is specified, reference point should be the center of ownship/host; (units: Kilometers/Second^2)	Real	1			
Acceleration	Three dimensional acceleration	zAcceleration	Acceleration of the z-component of an XYZ_ENU axis; if no reference point is specified, reference point should be the center of ownship/host; (units: Kilometers/Second^2)	Real	1			
Aimpoint	Aimpoint used by tracker	aimpointPositionX	Three dimensional position of aimpoint	Position	0..1			
Aimpoint	Aimpoint used by tracker	adjustmentMode	Adjustment mode of the aimpoint	ModeOfOperation	1			
Aimpoint	Aimpoint used by tracker	aimpointPositionAz	Three dimensional position of aimpoint	PositionAzEl	0..1			
Aimpoint	Aimpoint used by tracker	aimpointPositionLatLong	Three dimensional position of aimpoint	PositionLatLong	0..1			
ModeOfOperation	Indicates the mode of an operation	mode	Indicates the mode of an operation	String	1			AUTOMATIC SEMI_AUTOMATIC MANUAL
Orientation	Three dimensional angular offset	yaw	Angular offset for pitch (units: Degrees).	Real	1			
Orientation	Three dimensional angular offset	pitch	Angular offset for pitch (units: Degrees).	Real	1			
Orientation	Three dimensional angular offset	roll	Angular offset for roll (units: Degrees).	Real	1			
Pose	Object position and orientation	orientation	How the object is placed or pointed	Orientation	0..1			
Pose	Object position and orientation	positionAzEl	Horizontal coordinate system position	PositionAzEl	0..1			
Pose	Object position and orientation	positionLatLong	Latitude and Longitude position	PositionLatLong	0..1			
Pose	Object position and orientation	positionXYZ	Three dimensional position	Position	0..1			

Showing only a sample of the Track Message Definitions

# DEWS RA Activity Diagram (Power On Sequence)



# DEWS RA Landing Page



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## Directed Energy Weapon System (DEWS) Modular Open Systems Approach (MOSA) Reference Architecture (RA) V1.1

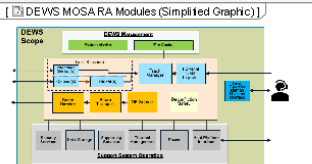
DEWS MOSA RA Model Version History

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### Model Overview

Under the guidance of OSD R&E and broader DoD Directed Energy community, MITRE will develop a Reference Architecture to influence DEWS RFPs and future DEWS designs for Programs of Record by FY22

**Approach:**  
Use Digital Engineering principles and a Modular Open Systems Approach to develop the Reference Architecture that is both applicable and executable by future instances of DEWS




**Purpose:**  
Currently Directed Energy Weapon Systems (DEWS) across DoD are stand alone R&D type systems. OSD R&E's goal is to develop a DEWS Reference Architecture (RA) to reduce development time and cost, maximize reuse, expand the DEWS industrial base, and prevent vendor lock for future designs

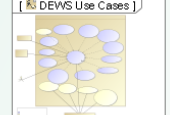
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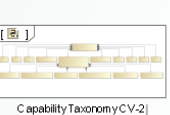
### Concepts and Scope



OV-1 Operational Concept



Mission Use Cases



Capability Taxonomy CV-2

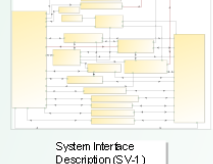
Mission Use Cases Characteristics Table

DEWS MOSA RA Context and Scope

### Structural Element Depictions

System Architecture

DEWS Generalization



System Interface Description (SV-1)

DEWS MOSA RA Modules

Module Internal Block Diagrams

### Data Model


HealthAndSafetyData

ManagementData

EngagementData

Conceptual Data Model

DEWS MOSA RA Logical Data Model (DN-2)



AimPoint

Data objects, relationships, attributes and values


### Functional & Behavioral

DEWS MOSA RA Systems Functionality Description (SV-4)

DEWS MOSA RA Module Resource Exchange Matrix (SV-6)

IO data for the module functions and their respective sources/destinations.

DEWS High-level State Machine



Activity Diagrams

### Requirements, Standards, Rules, and Terms

The table below to see the associated model element descriptions.

Module Function Definitions/Requirements Table

SV-10a Rule Types

DEWS MOSA RA Integrated Dictionary (AV-2)

Module Function Definition/Requirement Satisfy Table

DEWS MOSA RA System Rules Model (SV-10a)

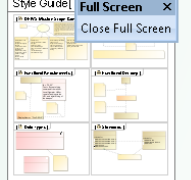
DEWS MOSA RA Standards Profile (StdV-1)

### Meta Architecture

MOSA Validation Metric Suite

MOSA Validation Metric Definitions

DEWS Metrics



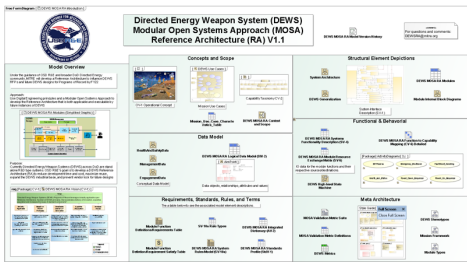
Style Guide

DEWS Stereotypes

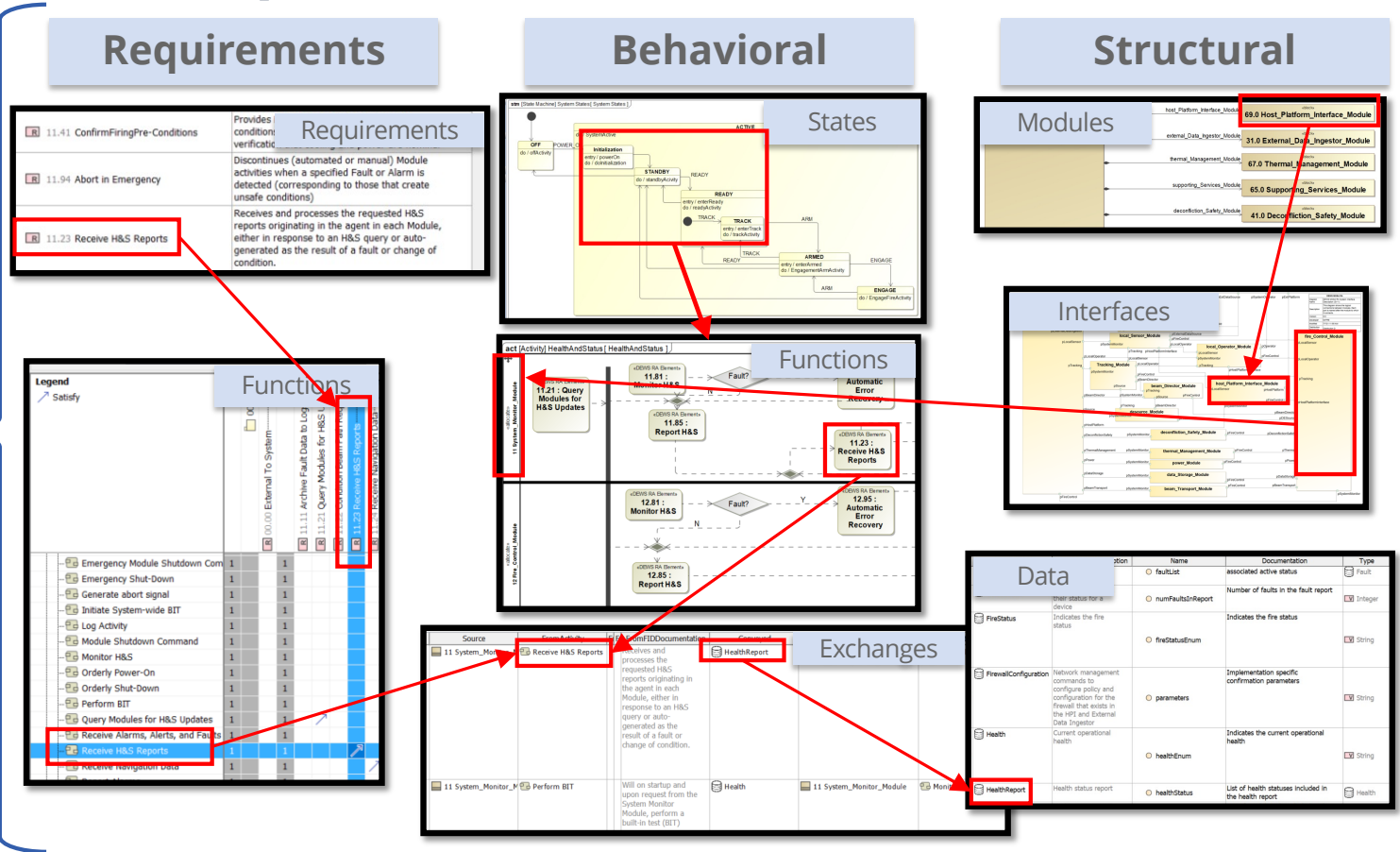
Mission Framework

Module Types

# DEWS RA Model Components



Landing Page to Navigate the Reference Architecture



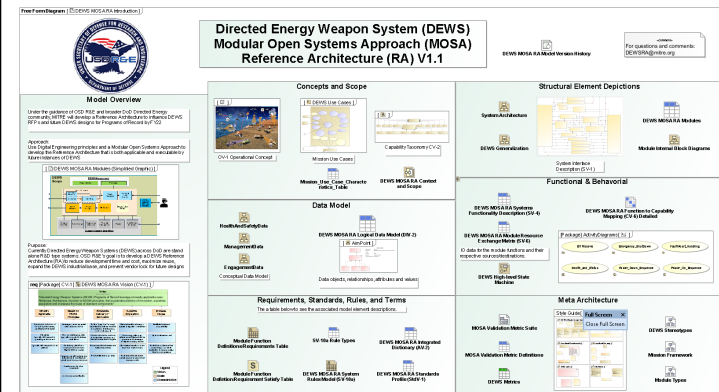
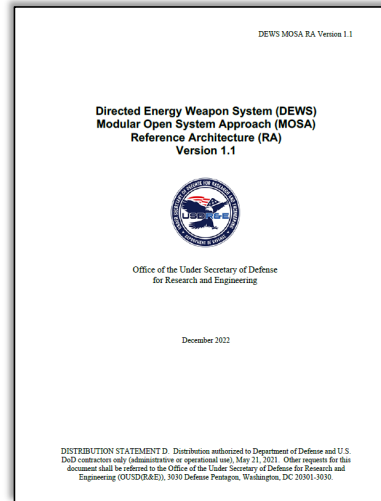
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Version 1.1 of the Reference Architecture

- Reference Architecture Document 1.1
- Magic Draw Digital Model

Supplemental Material

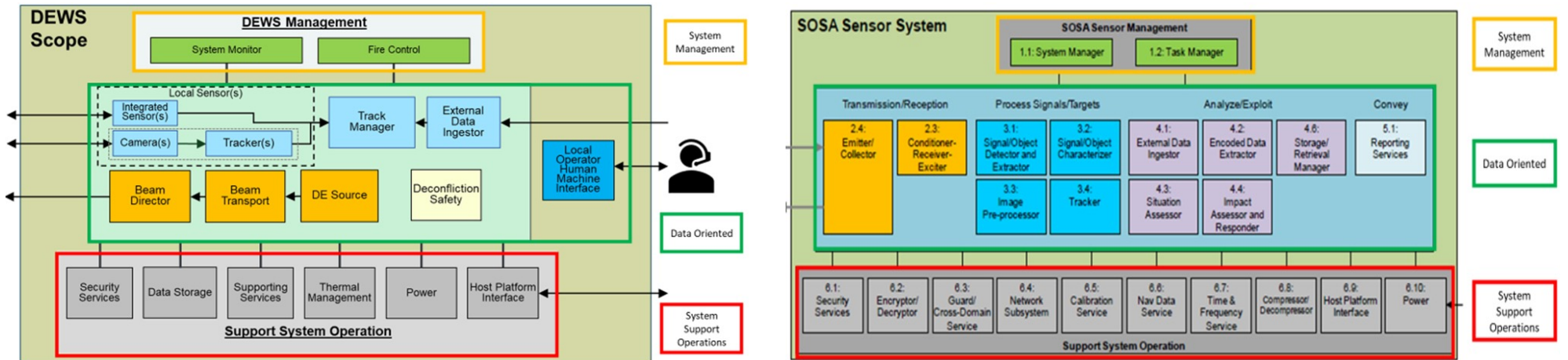
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- DEWS RA Assessment
- Acquisition Framework



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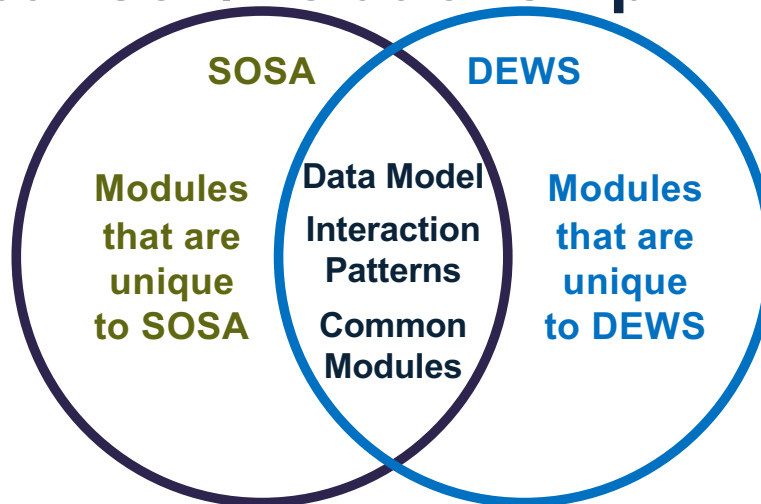
RA Document	The RA complete with imported tables, charts, graphics, and descriptions will be made available in an MS Word Report
HTML Extract	Export of MBSE model diagrams and data will be provided in HTML extract for users without access or familiarity with the Cameo software
Cameo zip file	Users will unzip all files to a folder and use Cameo to open the "DEWS_MOSA_Reference_Arch.mdzip" file. Cameo is a generic name for Dassault Systems CATIA Cameo Enterprise Architecture 19.0 SP4 also known as Magic System of Systems Architect (MSOSA) 19.0 SP4

# DEWS MOSA RA integration with SOSA



# SOSA-DEWS Comparison/Relationship

Emitter / Collector  
 Conditioner-Receiver-Exciter  
 Signal/Object Detector and Extractor  
 Signal/Object Characterizer  
 Encoded Data Extractor  
 Situation Assessor  
 Impact Assessor and Responder  
 Reporting Services  
 Guard / Cross-Domain Service  
 Network Subsystem  
 Calibration Service  
 Compressor/Decompressor



Local Operator HMI  
 Local Sensor(s)  
 Deconfliction Safety  
 DE Source  
 Beam Transport  
 Beam Director  
 Thermal Management

System Manager / System Monitor  
 Task Manager / Fire Control  
 External Data Ingestor  
 Tracker / Track Manager  
 Security Services  
 Storage-Retrieval Manager / Data Storage  
 Nav Data and Time & Frequency Services / Supporting Services  
 Power  
 Host Platform Interface

# SOSA-DEWS Comparison/Relationship

DEWS_ID	DEWS Func	DEWS Description	SOSA Function
68.13	Generate Power	In cases where the DEWS operates independently of Host-provided power, generate its own power internally. This Function is optional	
		This element should be eliminated from DEWS as a functional requirement	
68.15	Receive Host-Provided Power	In cases where the DEWS doesn't generate its own power, receive input electrical power (e.g., 440VAC, 120 VAC, etc.) from Host Platform Interface Module. This is an optional function.	<b>Convert between different power characteristics - From Host Platform Interface</b>
68.16	Power on DEWS	A discrete (an external button or key) to turn on the entire DEWS. After powering up, this function will request power distribution (68.41) to SMM to begin DEWS initialization	
			Power-on process for DEWS is different from that of SOSA (which is very chassis-oriented)
68.21	Power conversion	Transform prime power to match requirements for each DEWS Module (including DC/AC conversion, high voltage, spike protection, etc.)	<b>Convert between different power characteristics</b>
68.23	Provide Storage of Electrical Power	Stores energy (for example, in a battery) for use when needed by system modules	<b>Store power for intermittent input power loss</b>
			<b>Store power to provide long-term power to loads without input power</b>
		Use of storage is different between DEWS (which is focused on energy surge) and SOSA (which is to coast through intermittent source outages)	

Showing only a sample of the Power Module Functions

# SOSA-DEWS Comparison/Relationship

DEWS_ID	DEWS Func	DEWS Description	SOSA Function
68.41	Power Distribution	Discharges energy as needed to support DEWS modules, based on system condition and individual module needs	<b>Distribute power from power supplies to power loads</b>
68.55	Power Conditioning	Delivers power at the proper voltage and current characteristics by protecting against high/low voltage or current conditions, filter noise, transient impulse suppression, etc.	<b>Condition/filter power</b>
68.61	Accept Remote Control	Provides a digital interface to Local Operator and/or Host Platform to enable remote management and control of all functions	<b>Provide a digital control interface</b>
			<b>Protect against voltage and over-current conditions</b>

Consider adding this to Power Conditioning and remove as a separate function. Need clarification if this is internal to SOSA (protecting the sensor) or external (e.g., breaker on host to keep wiring from catching on fire)

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# Summary

Modular Open Systems Approach will accelerate development of Directed Energy Weapon Systems (DEWS)

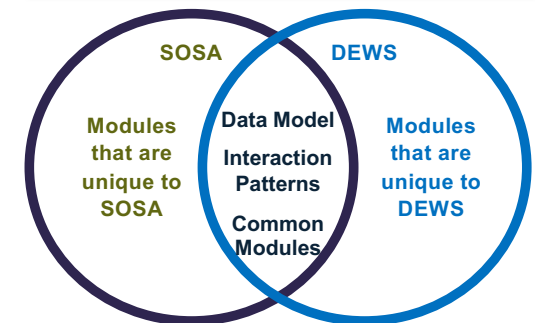
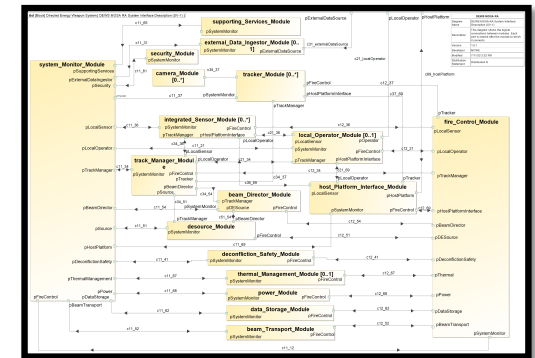
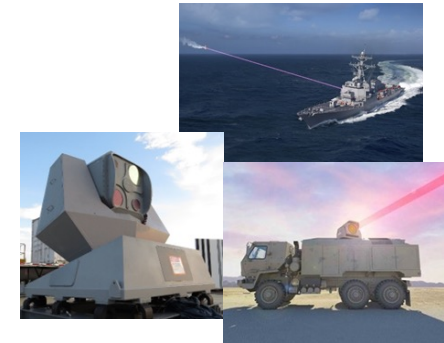
- DEWS are becoming technically mature, but no OSA currently exists for these systems
- The DEWS MOSA RA will enable rapid, cost-effective, and supportable DEWS fielding

Digital Engineering and model-based systems engineering (MBSE) provides an efficient means of standardizing a modular approach

- Digital products can be directly used by supporting programs
- Views can be adapted depending on a specific user's needs
- Technical updates are made in a single location in the digital model

The DEWS MOSA RA is actively aligning modules with analogous SOSA module definitions

- Standardizes technical requirements under a common OSA



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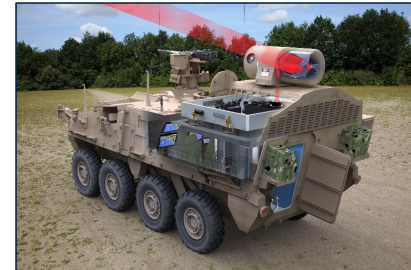
# Backup

# Systems in Development

- Directed Energy Weapons (DEW) utilize beams of energy to destroy, damage, or disrupt a target. Examples include lasers, high power microwaves (HPM), and particle beams. They offer:

- Potential to “Bend” the Cost Curve
- Deep Magazines with Rapid Reload and Reduced Logistics
- Highly reduced collateral damage
- Precision Effects / Adjustable Effects
- Engagement at the Speed of Light
- Air / Land / Sea Platforms

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SSL-TM  
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HiJENKS  
Air Force/Navy  
HPM



AHEL  
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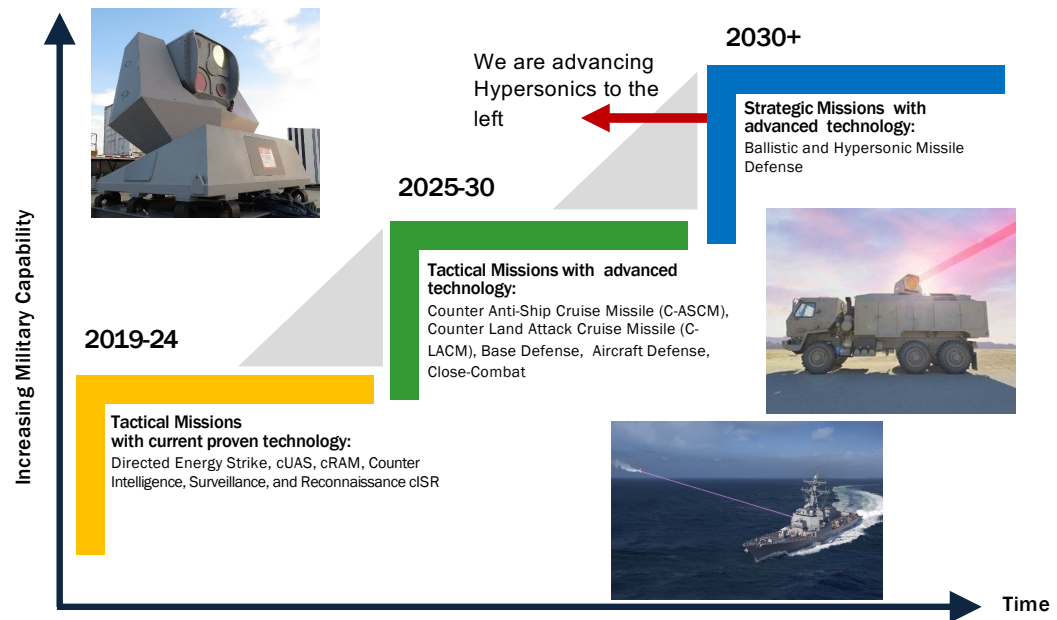
THOR  
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HPM



# DEWS MOSA RA needs to grow along side of technology development

## Key Aspects

- Achieve military dominance in every mission area where DEW makes technical sense
- Develop operational experience, knowledge, and confidence through operational demonstrations
- Advance and mature the technology to increase lethality, expand the mission set, and counter future adversaries
- Deliver new military capabilities with proven technology



# DEWS Are Arriving and Being Used

- **ODIN – Optical Dazzling Interdictor, Navy**
  - Low-power laser system for dazzling of Unmanned Aerial System (UAS)-mounted Electro-Optical (EO)/Infrared (IR) sensors
  - First three systems installed on DDG51 Flt IIA ships, five more to be installed through 2023
- **HELIOS, Navy**
  - cUAS, cFIAC, 60 kW, Lockheed
  - To be installed on DDG51 Flt IIA ship in FY22
- **SSL-TM – Solid State Laser- Technology Maturation, Navy**
  - cUAS, cFIAC, 150 kW, Northrup
  - Installed on USS Portland (LPD 27) in 2019, deploys in 2021
- **CLAWS – Compact Laser Weapons System, Marines**
  - cUAS, 5 kW, Boeing, 5 systems, in CENTCOM
  - Integrated with Army C-RAM C2 system and radar
- **HELWS – High Energy Laser Weapons System, Air Force**
  - cUAS, 10 kW, Raytheon
  - 1 unit in CENTCOM
- **THOR – Tactical High Power Microwave Operational Responder, Air Force**
  - cUAS, Raytheon, OCONUS evaluation later this year
- **DE M-SHORAD – Maneuvering Short Range Air Defense, Army**
  - Experimental prototype with combat capability : 50 kW-Class laser for cUAS, cRAM, cRW
  - Prototype demo FY21, 1st Platoon (4 platforms) fielded FY22
- **IFPC-HEL – Fixed/Semi-Fixed Site Protection, Army**
  - Lab demo FY22: 300 kW-Class laser for cUAS, cRAM, cCM will inform prototyping effort
  - Joint range demonstration with Navy HELCAP in FY23, 1st Platoon (4 platforms) fielded FY24



