



Convergence of Distributed Simulation Architectures Using DDS

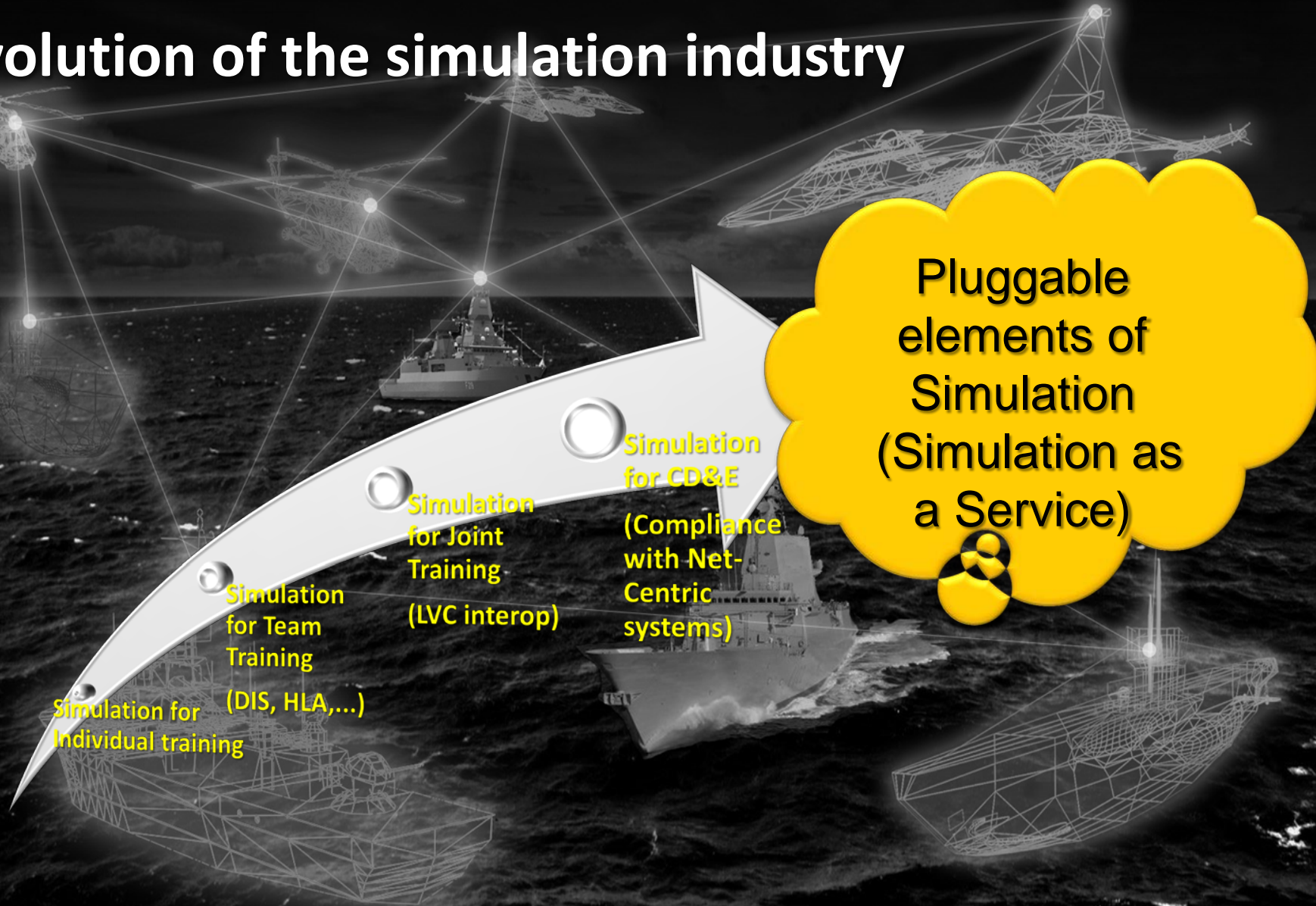
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Evolution of the simulation industry



Concept of Distributed Simulation

Simulations are interactive through current state-of-the-art communications systems



- Simulation environments that are distributed across multiple computers, potentially at different locations
- Predictable latencies are required



But Reality is Complex:

- * Different Standards for interoperability
- * Too many COTS hard to interoperate between them
- * Different Data & Voice Communications
- * Legacy Systems
- * Heterogeneous simulation ecosystems
- * Security Issues
- * Scaling-Up to Very Large Exercises



Defense Administrations have invested a lot in simulation systems for weapon systems but:

- * Poor use of existing simulation assets**
- * Difficult to change and update fast**
- * Distributed Mission Training is very difficult**
- * Interoperability is very limited**
- * Tied hands with HLA COTS vendors**

Due to these problems, SISO starts a new Study Group : LSA, looking to solve many of this pains.

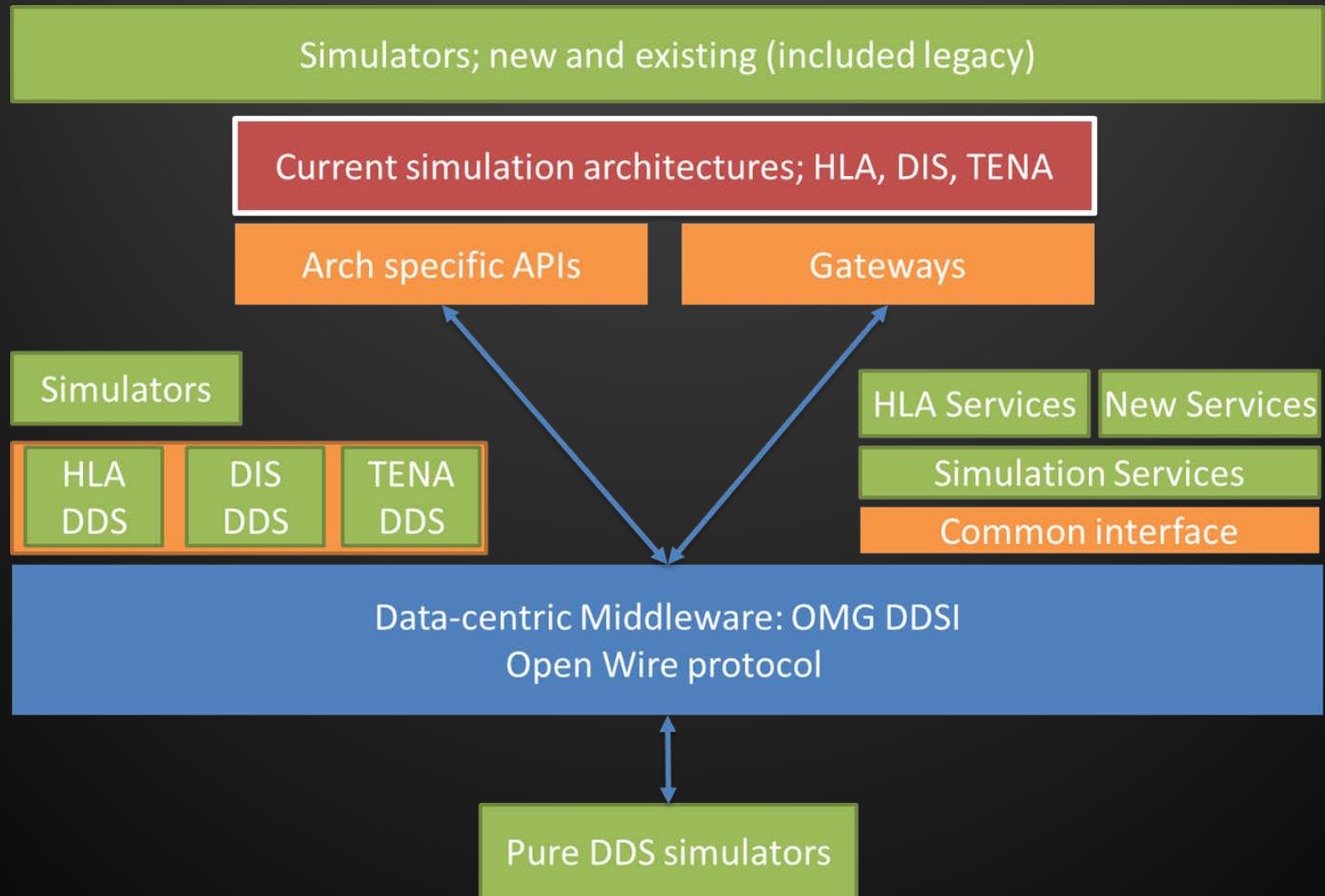
**SISO LSA is looking to
customize DDS for the
simulation domain,
providing the foundation
for a Layered Simulation
Architecture**



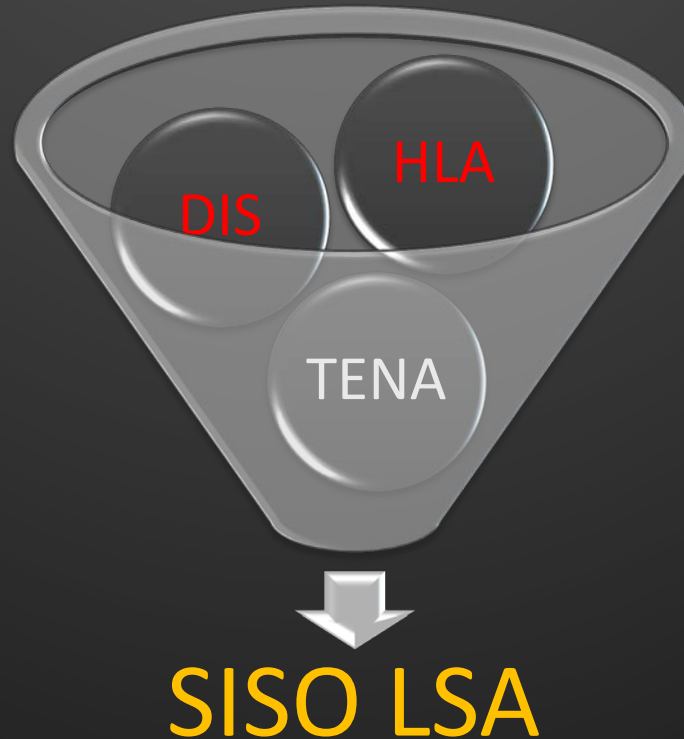
**Simulation Interoperability
Standards Organization**

"Simulation Interoperability & Reuse through Standards"

LSA proposed layered architecture overview?



CONVERGENCE OF DISTRIBUTED ARCHITECTURES WITH SISO LSA



- ❖ Don't try to re-invent the wheel
- ❖ Apply standards, don't change the standards

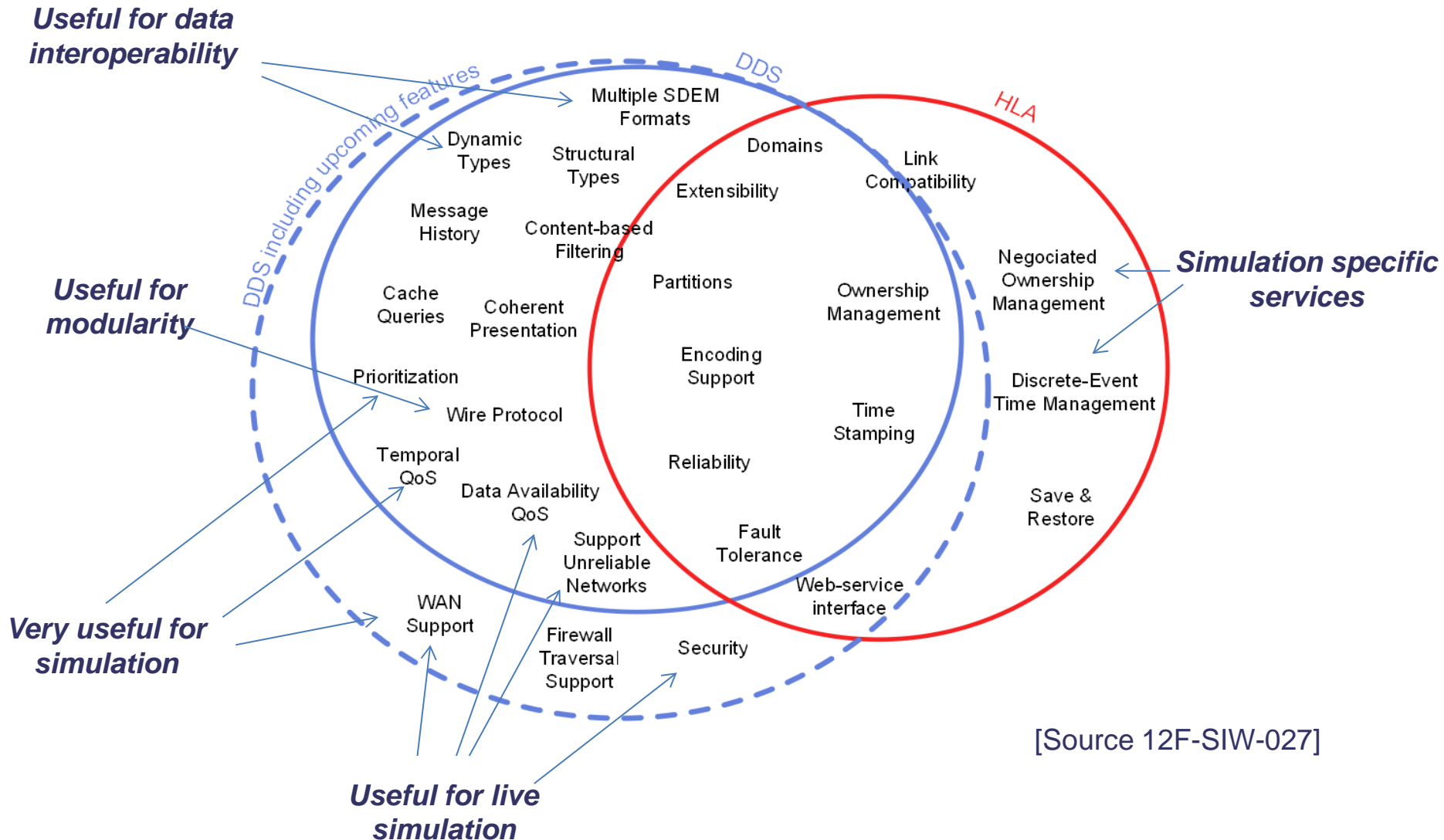
PROS

- ❖ A **IEEE** and **NATO** (Stanag 4603) **standards**
- ❖ An accepted standard for **interoperating simulators**
- ❖ Has **meta-data model (OMT)**
- ❖ Define **rules** for interoperability
- ❖ Many **COTS** from different vendors
- ❖ **Services** are part of HLA

CONS

- ❖ **Wire protocol** does not exist
- ❖ The entire standard tries to **limit communication**
- ❖ **QoS** are very limited.
- ❖ Lack of **plug&play** capacities.
- ❖ **Performance** is not enough for **massive** data distribution across **heterogeneous** networks.
- ❖ **API** is hard to use
- ❖ No **security** standard
- ❖ Model is **rigid**

Comparison of DDS and HLA Standards

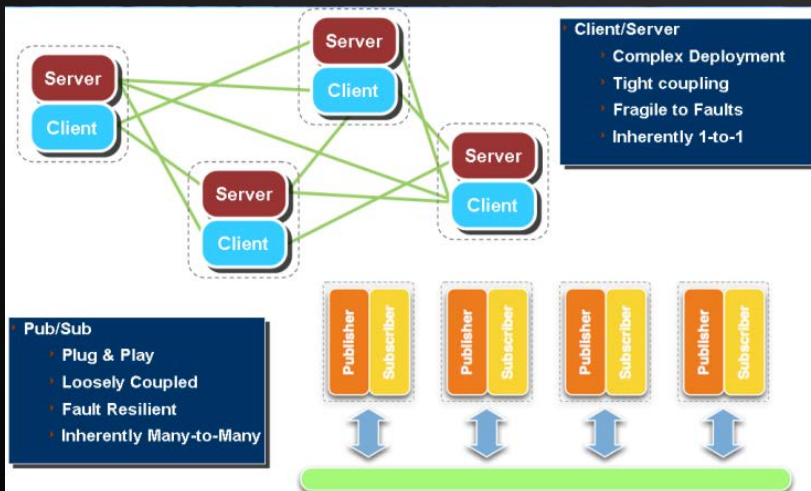
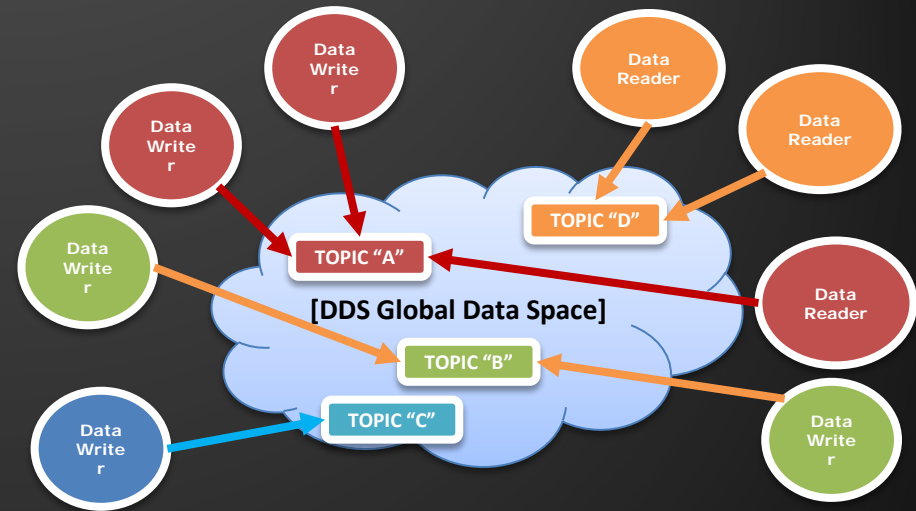


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Why use DDS in Simulation?

COMMUNICATION

- DDS is centered in controlling the communication
- HLA tries to minimize the communication. It cannot control it
- DIS trust the communication



SCALABILITY and FAULT TOLERANCE

- DDS has automatic discovery, is fully publish-subscriber, no single point of failure
- HLA is central server based: scalability and fault tolerance are difficult

Why use DDS in Simulation?

LESS-THAN-PERFECT COMMUNICATIONS

- DDS has been proved over small bandwidth (4800 bps in digital network radios)
- DDS can cope with heterogeneous networks



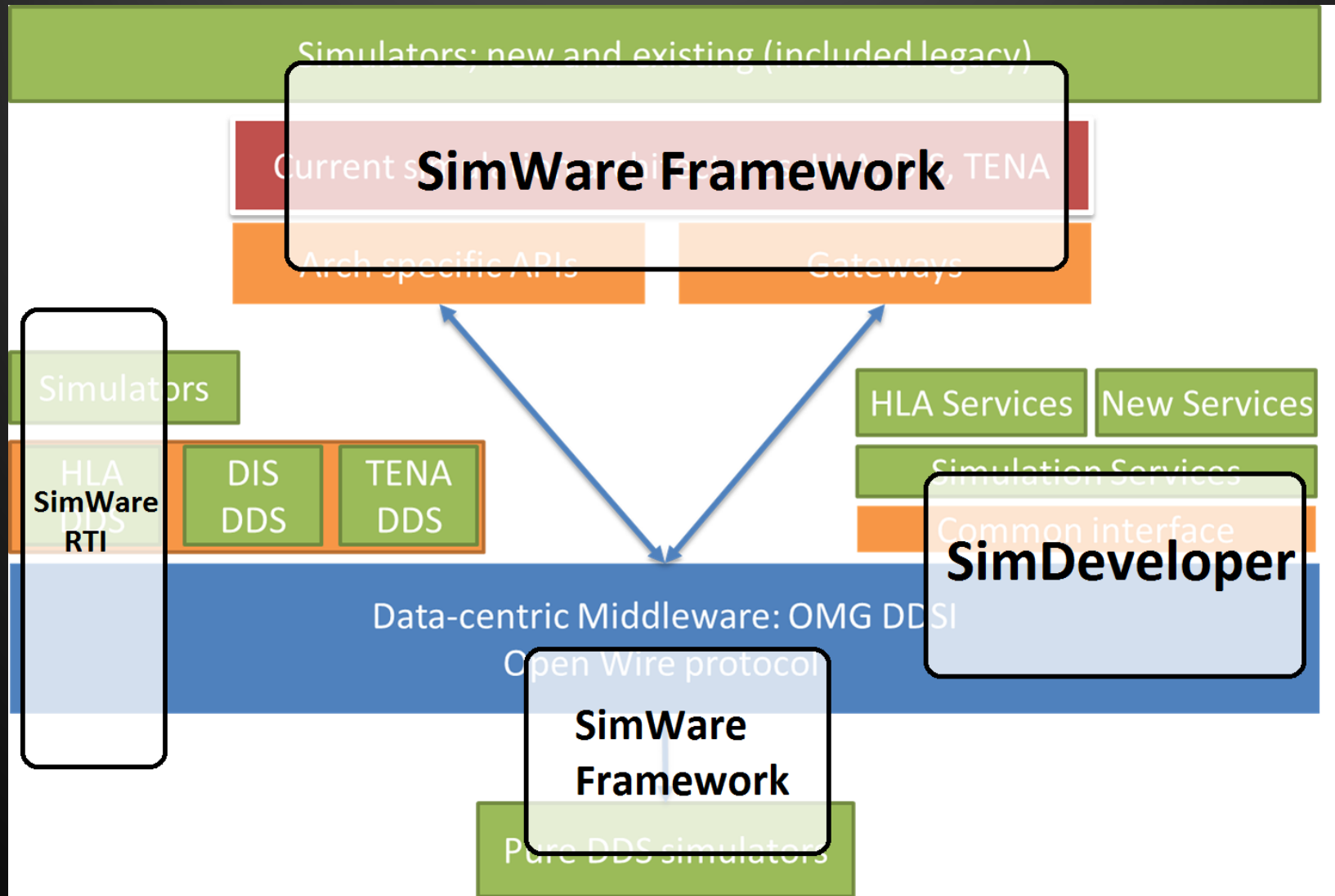
REAL TIME SIMULATION

- Military platforms use DDS as the communication backbone
- Simulating with DDS can incorporate this data in real time

SimWare



SimWare and LSA?



INTEROPERABILITY: We can connect HLA and DIS simulators without changing them. HLA evolved also included

REUSABILITY: You can reuse your previous work

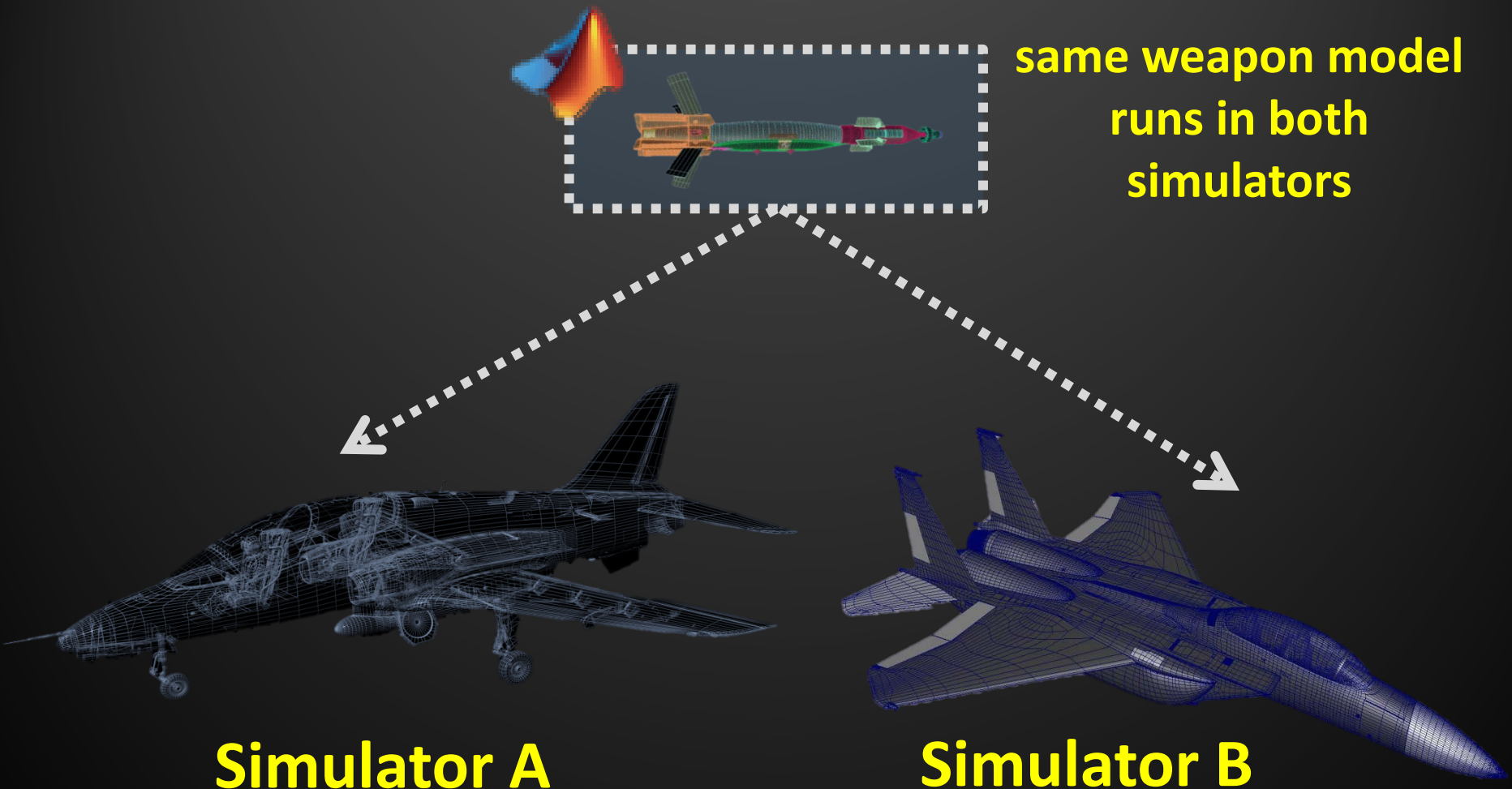
COMPOSABILITY: Make your simulation just by joining pieces

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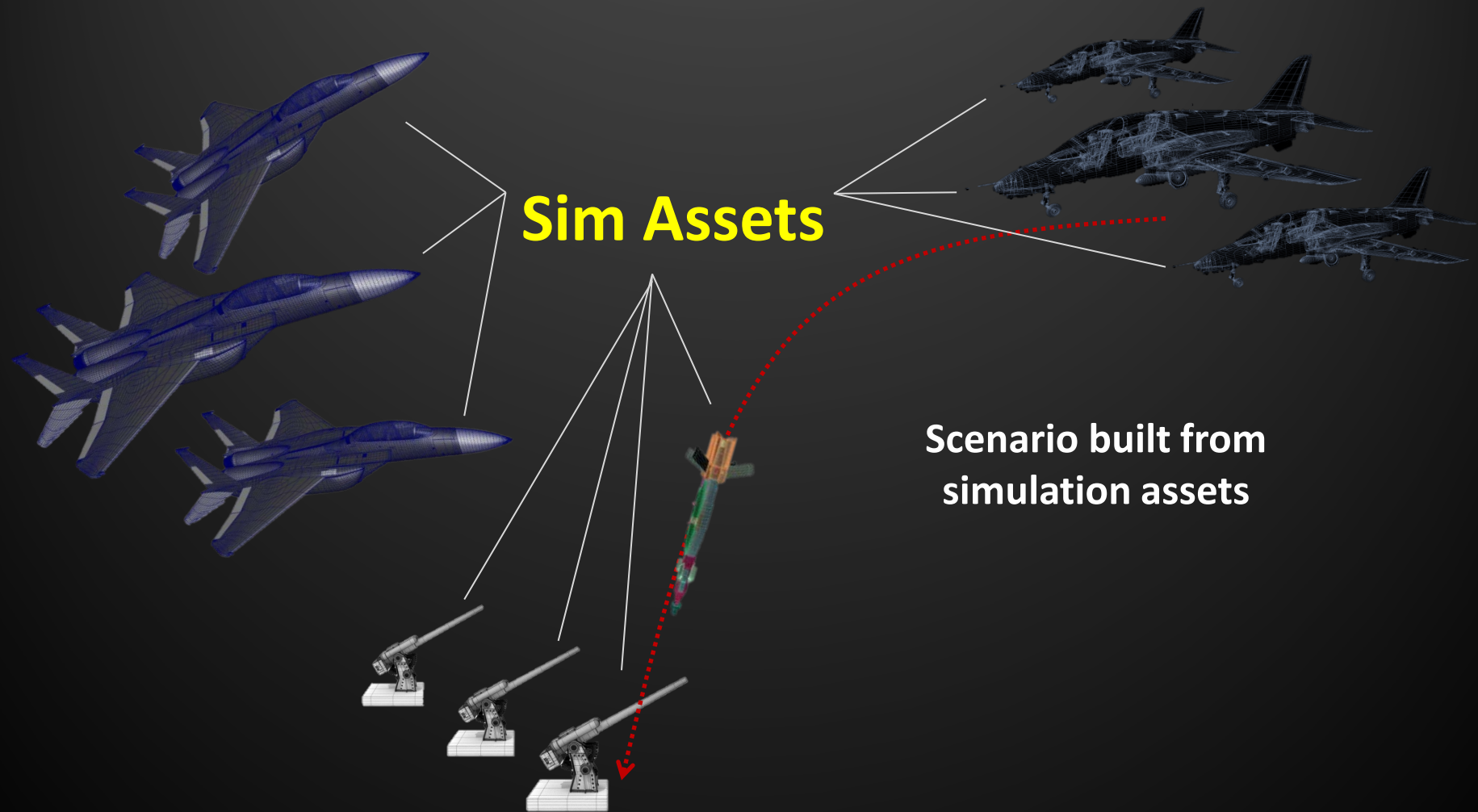
Concept #1: Interoperability



Concept #2: Reusability

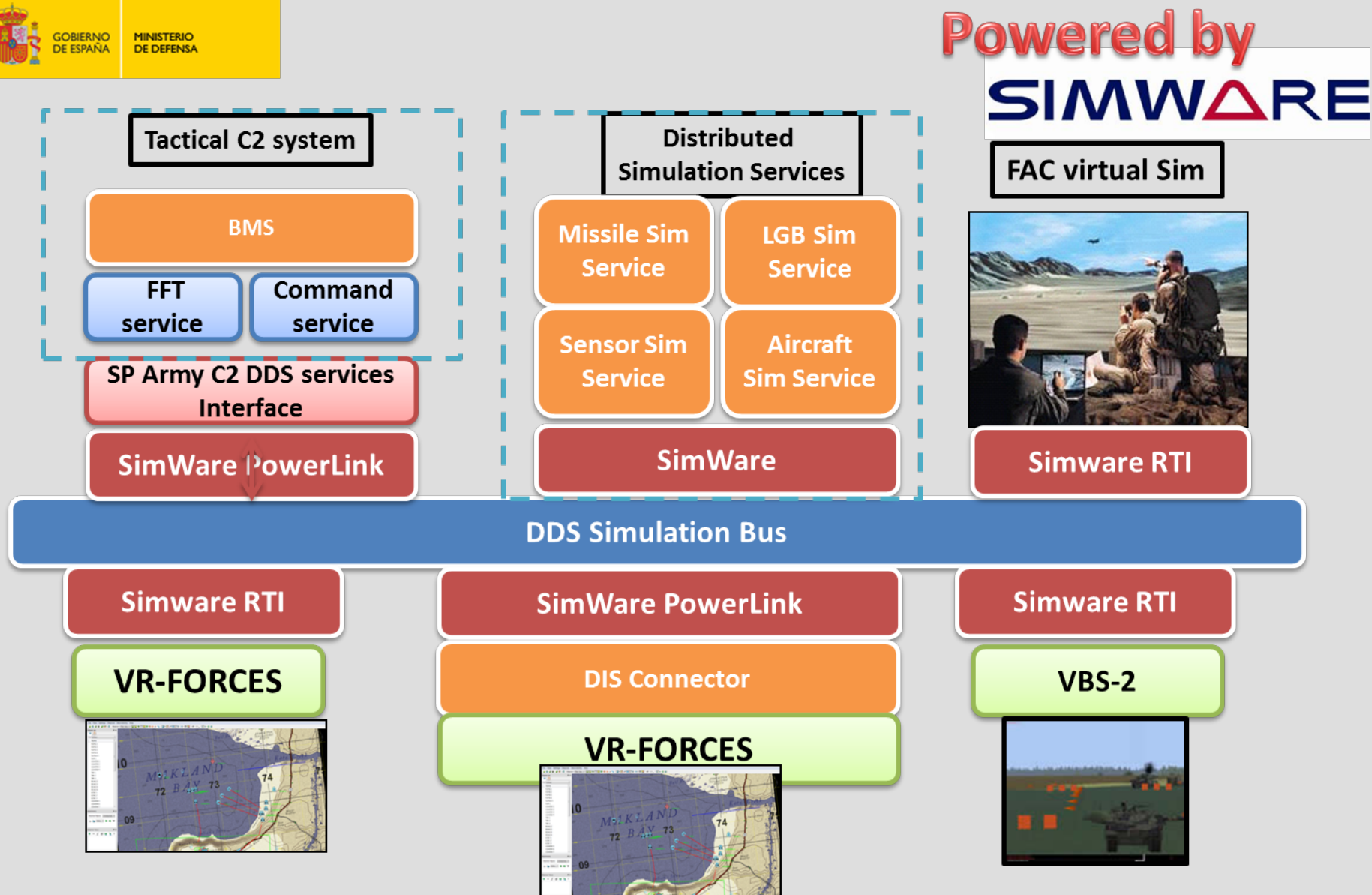


Concept #3: Composability



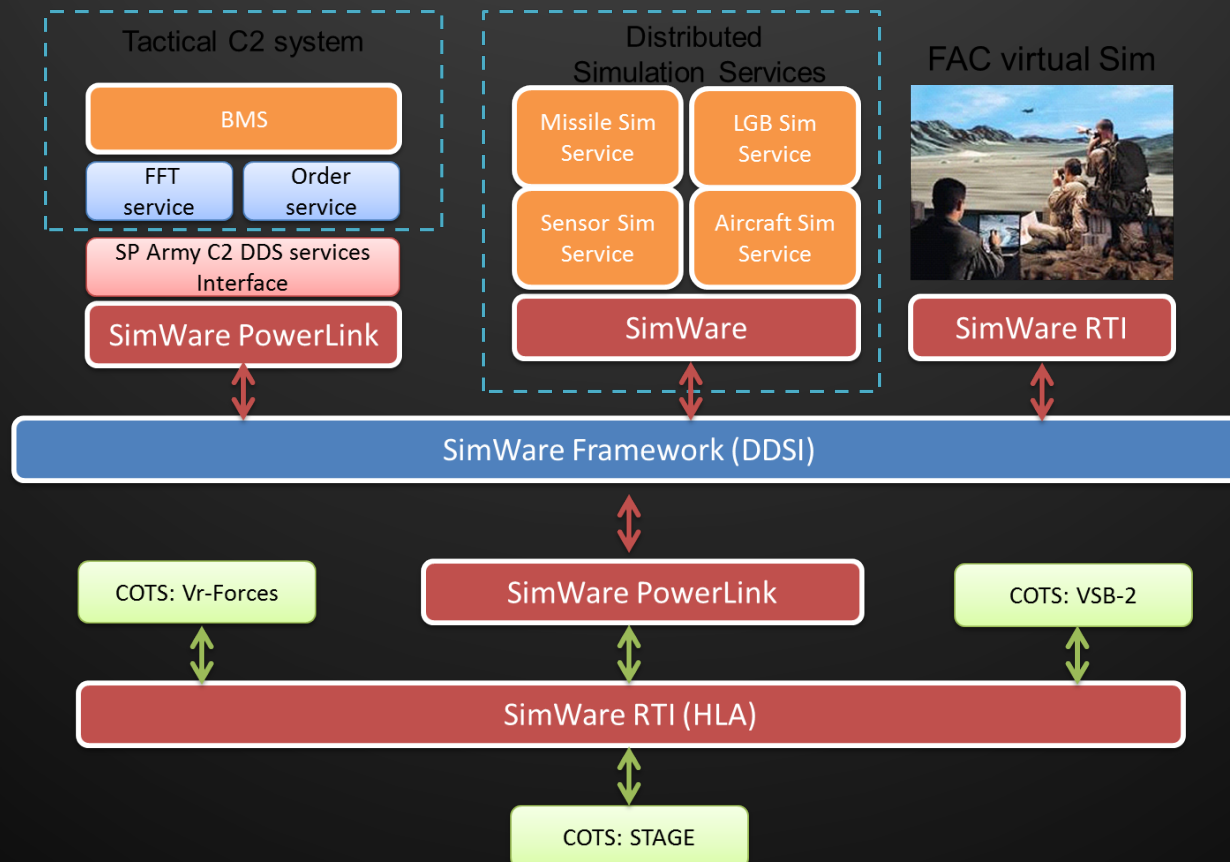
LSA Use Case

SP Battle Lab Prototype (NOGESI)



Nogesi milestone

NOGESI project has been the test bed and proof of concept of SimWare architecture



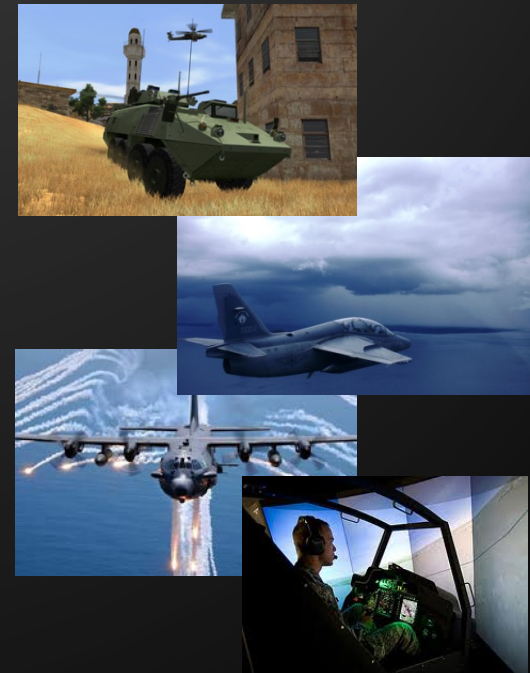
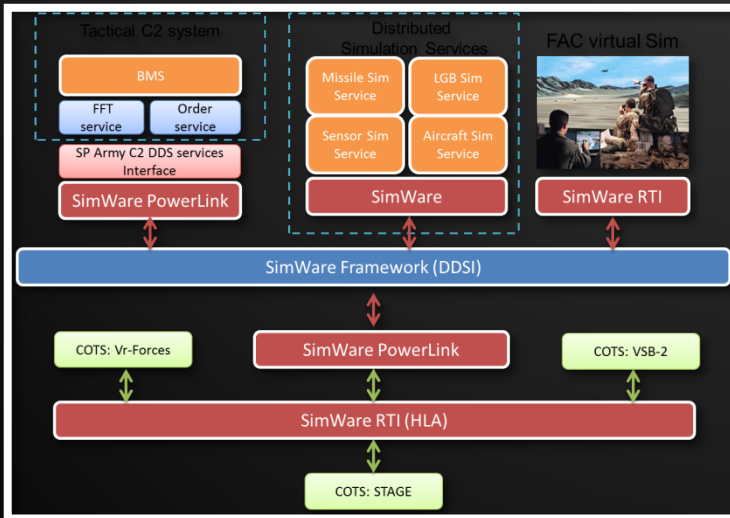
SimWare Lab has evolved as integration laboratory for SimWare



SimWare: Simulation as a service

SimWare Lab is the first simulation service

- Transparent to the user
- Composability
- Pluggable
- Fully distributed





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