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# A Framework for End-to-End Computation Simulation Credibility Workflow

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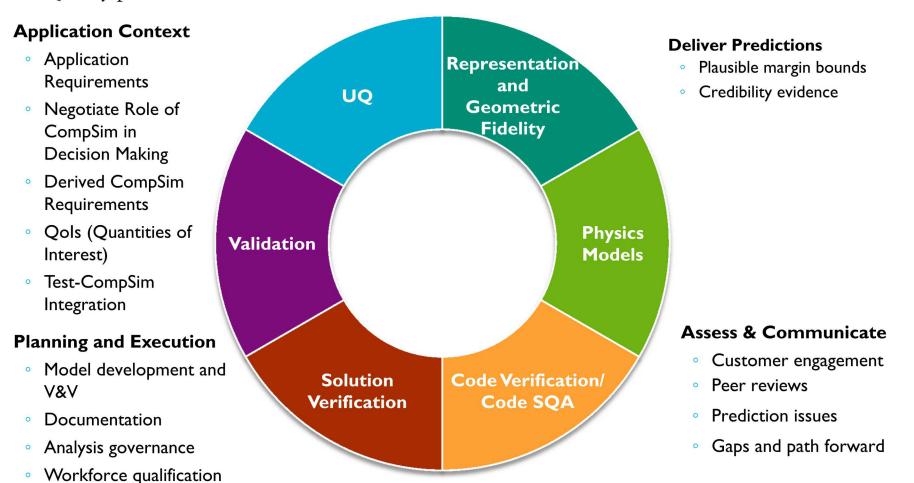
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### Modeling and Simulation Credibility Process

- The process of assembling and documenting evidence to ascertain and communicate the believability of predictions that are produced from computational simulations
- Quality process for ModSim



ND mission space: non-monotonic, discontinuous system responses - design and margin assessments under uncertainty REQUIRE agile execution of large model ensembles

### Grand Challenge of Model Credibility



#### Qualitative evidence

- SME judgment, tacit organizational knowledge, past history
  - Expected predictiveness of the model for the intended use
- PIRT (Phenomena Identification and Ranking Table) Defines key physical phenomena ranks their importance, identifies capability gaps
- Analysis governance, peer reviews

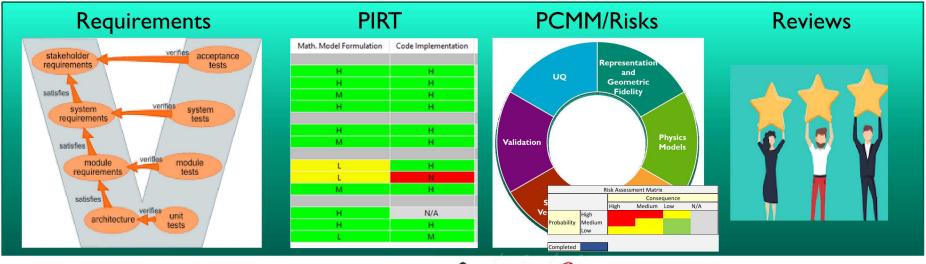
#### Quantitative evidence

- PCMM (Predictive Capability Maturity Model) SME elicitation process designed to characterize and communicate the completeness and rigor of the Comp/Sim process. Quantitative but "circumstantial"
  - Includes UQ, calibration and validation

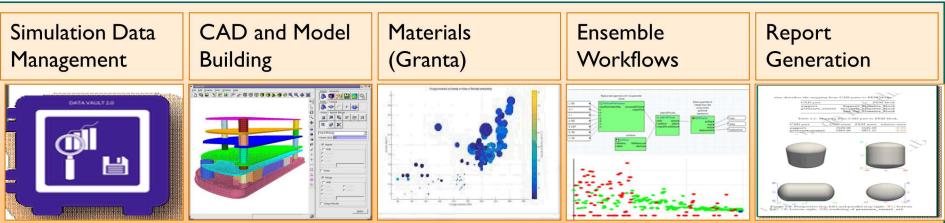
Validation at a handful conditions – mission space is large, response is nonlinear/discontinuous, test data are sparse

### CF - Credibility Framework and the CompSim Ecosystem









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### General Functional Requirements for the Credibility Framework



#### Tailor credibility process to match consequence of the CompSim predictions

- Trade studies in design support
  - Quick turn-around, V&V trained analyst, input data starved, comparative
- CompSim based qualification
  - Significant effort, dedicated V&V budget, up-front constitutive and subsystem tests, predictive
- Configurable by non-programmers through simple spreadsheets

#### Be flexible to adapt to organizational differences (PCMM, TRL, etc.)

- Credibility process elements and subelements vary
- If the organization/program requires then support gap analysis through assessment
  - Acceptability of assessment while acknowledging metrics are not precise

Record different states throughout the lifecycle of the program

Support queries to identify important capability gaps

Integration with diverse data sources (SPDM, PLM, etc.) used for storing evidence

Auto-generating human readable credibility report distilled from vast data repositories

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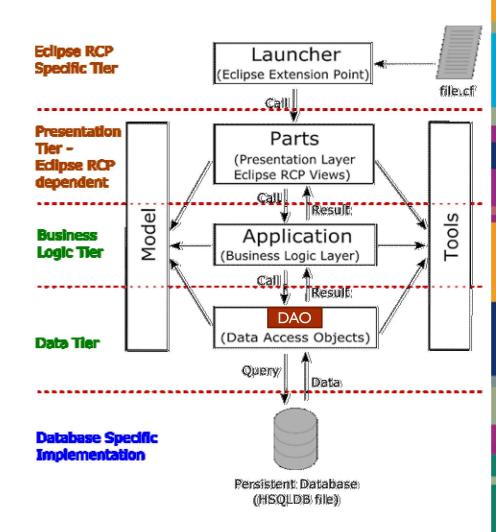
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#### N-tiered:

- Launcher: used to start plugin and load configuration
- Presentation: contains plugin GUI
- Business Logic: contains business logic, coordinates plugin behavior, performs calculations, makes logical decisions and processes commands
- **Data:** queries persistent data from database or files
- Model: used to transmit data (in memory) to other layers
- Tools: contains functions and methods used across whole application

#### Benefits:

- Easy to manage
- Scalable,
- Flexible,
- Reusable



### File management and Database

#### Main requirements for CF plugin:

- Persistence through an open source database
- Configurable by non-programmers through familiar Excel spreadsheets
- Configuration files:
  - PIRT and PCMM data schema are Excel files
  - A macro converts these files to YAML files to be ingested by CF plugin
  - These YAML files are **necessary** to **configure** the project when creating new CF instance
- Database:
  - Use of Java Persistence API; EclipseLink for object-relational mapping (ORM) implementation
  - **HSQLDB** used to locally store data into workspace (open source and developed in Java)
- Credibility file (.cf) file format:
  - **Single .cf file** to store CF process data within the workspace
  - A **zip file** of both database and configuration files (as done by e.g. Word):
    - Easy to manage
    - Convenient to commit/ retrieve
  - When opening a CF project, its .cf file is unzipped in a workspace temporary folder
  - Modifications to .cf may be **rolled back** (if not saved)

### CF Software Process, Testing, and CI



#### GitLab-based continuous integration

- Testing
  - Unit tests: contained in separate plugin to test CF plugin features w/o including tests in installation package
  - Integration tests performed with Maven Tycho
  - **SWTBot** will be used to test the GUI (work in progress)
- Built with Maven Tycho
  - Single-command tool to « clean, compile, test and package »
  - Makes it easy to:
    - import project in Eclipse for development
    - automate build tasks
- Gitlab CI
  - Build, integration and unit tests launched at each commit, merge request or manually
  - Commits linked to project management & tracking
  - Automation of Javadoc generation
  - Daily reports @ GitLab.com and/or by email



### CF Platform Requirements & Dependencies



#### CF plugin can be integrated into:

- an Eclipse product such as NGW/SAW
- plain vanilla Eclipse

#### Packaged as an Eclipse Update Site:

- Contains CF feature, its requirements and dependencies
- Compatible with all Eclipse products (Eclipse release versions must match)
- Easy to install/uninstall
- o Can be easily deployed on a web server to facilitate download and make plugin more visible

#### Based on third-party open source software (OSS):

- Java dependencies: HSQLDB (database), JPA and EclipseLink (database access), Logback and Slf4j (logger), Mockito (unit tests), snakeyaml (Yaml to Java library)
- Eclipse dependencies: Opcoach E4Preferences (Eclipse Preferences GUI), JFreeChart, SwtGraphics2D (draw graphics), Nebula (GUI Components)

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### PIRT, Phenomena Identification and Ranking Table



A Phenomena Identification and Ranking Table, or PIRT, provides a structured approach to identify and prioritize the important physical phenomena in an engineering application.

- Define key physical phenomena and rank their importance
- Importance is relative to quantity of interest in the application scenario
- Assess adequacy and gaps in simulation capabilities and available data
- Adequacy of capabilities is relative to intended use
- Gaps are identified when adequacy scoring is below importance ranking

A PIRT is developed through expert opinion for a particular intended use. The intended use is specific to the application driver, technical issue, scenario, and analysis objective, such as the performance or safety of a nuclear reactor.



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### PCMM – A Quality Process for CompSim



The Predictive Capability Maturity Model (PCMM) is a multi-dimensional qualitative metric to facilitate discussion and communication of credibility evidence

#### Primary purposes:

- Determine readiness of modeling capabilities and simulation products for use in various applications and decisions (e.g., design, ES derivation, qualification)
- Identify gaps in the current credibility evidence for an application and prioritize additional activities
- Measure progress of an integrated simulation effort over the lifetime of an analysis

#### • PCMM components:

- Elements the dimensions of the credibility evidence
- Maturity levels a relative measure of the state of the evidence and level of effort around each element
- Element criteria major features of the evidence to consider for each element
- Roles who provided evidence and/or assessments? Customer, code developer, analyst, experimentalist, etc.

### **PCMM Elements**

#### Code Verification

Analysis code reproduces closed-form results

#### Physics and Material Model Fidelity

Are "closure models" (constitutive etc.) credible?

E. g. MLEP (Multi-Linear Elastic-Plastic) WHY? Model form error?

#### Representation and Geometric Fidelity

Is the geometric abstraction acceptable?

#### Solution Verification

Code solves the equations for the intended use correctly?

Challenge: Often unsettling when modeling highly nonlinear, chaotic mechanical systems

#### Uncertainty Quantification

What is the effect of input uncertainties on QoIs?

- Uncertainty inventory and characterization of input uncertainties
- Formal UQ; propagate characterized uncertainties through the model
- Experimental uncertainty

#### Validation

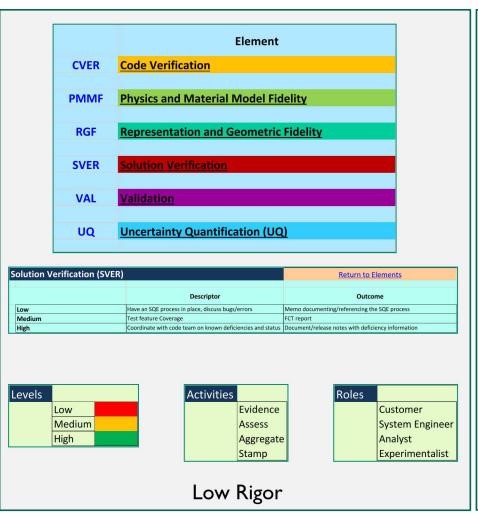
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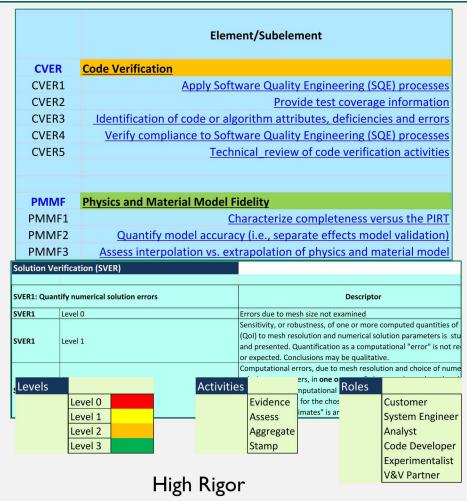
How well do model predictions match experimental data?

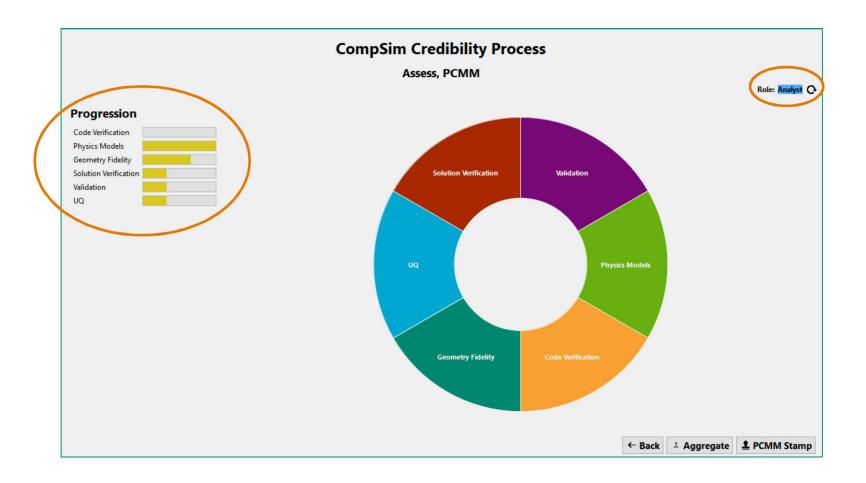
### CF PCMM Configuration by Non-Programmers



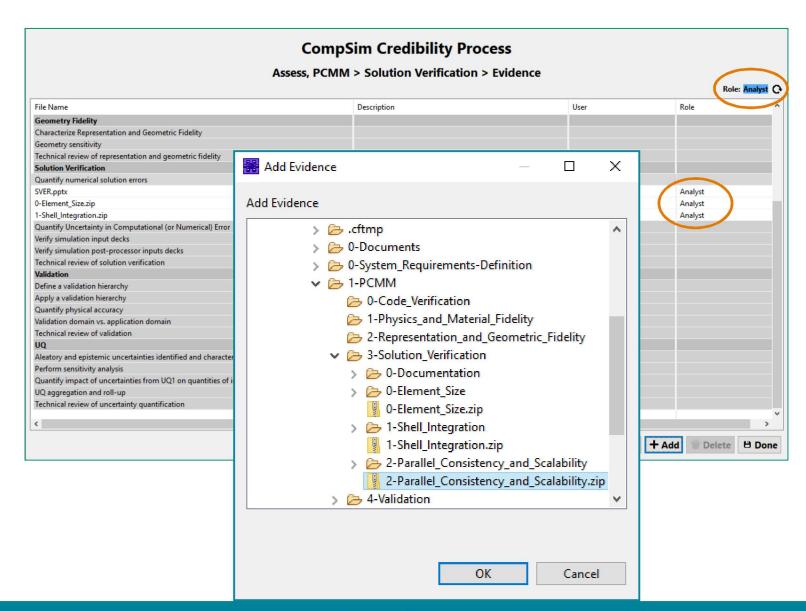
#### Excel spreadsheets familiar to V&V practitioners



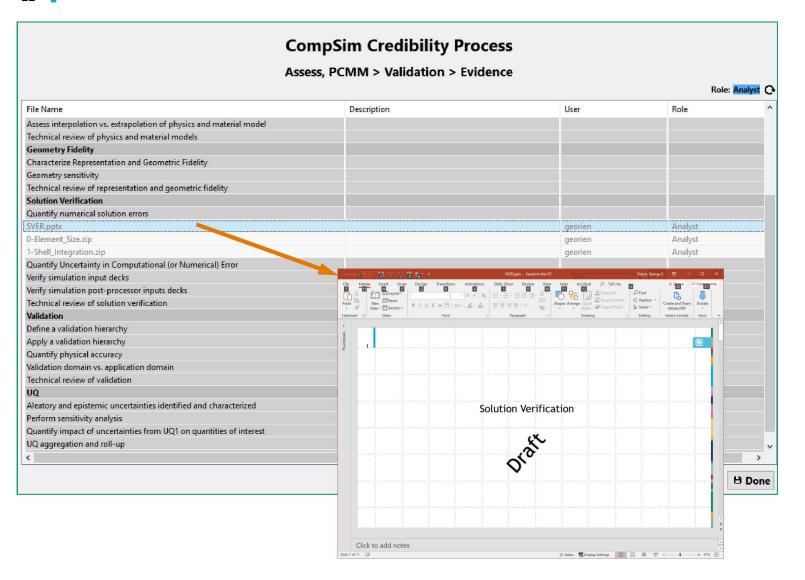




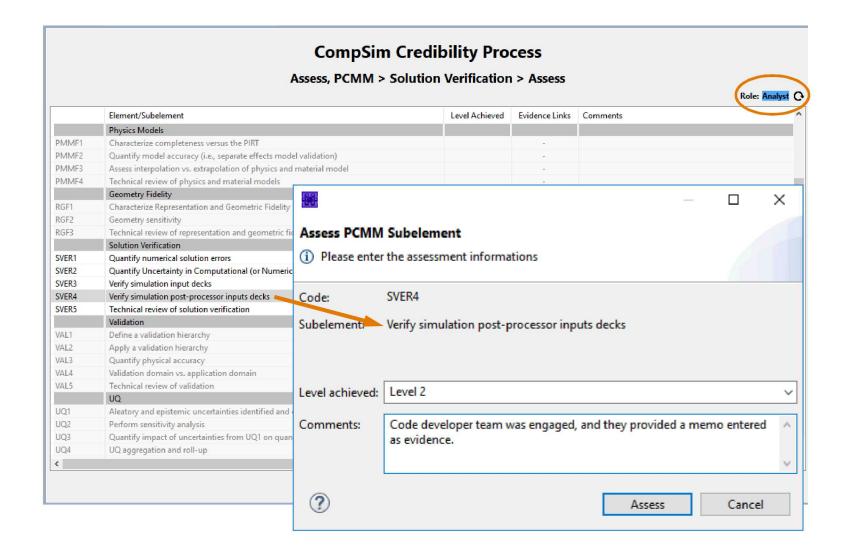
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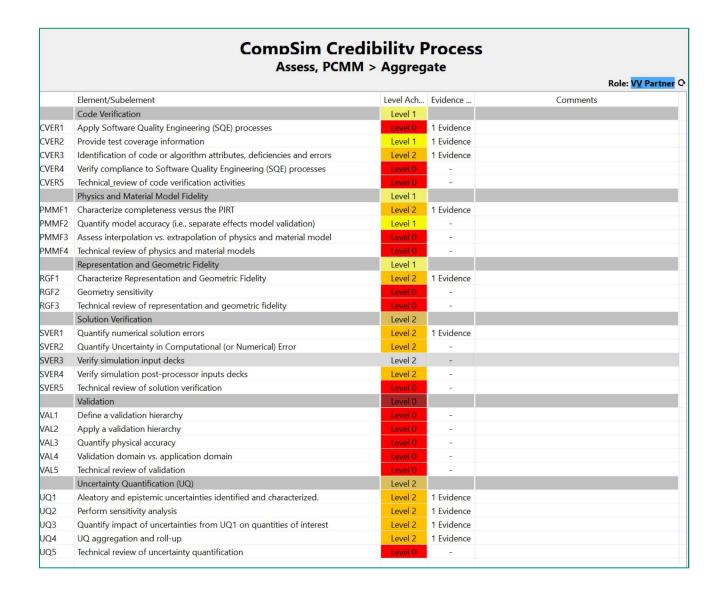
### CF PCMM Tool – Examining Evidence



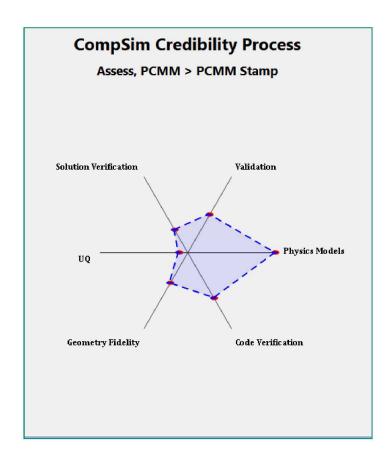
#### CF PCMM Tool – Assess



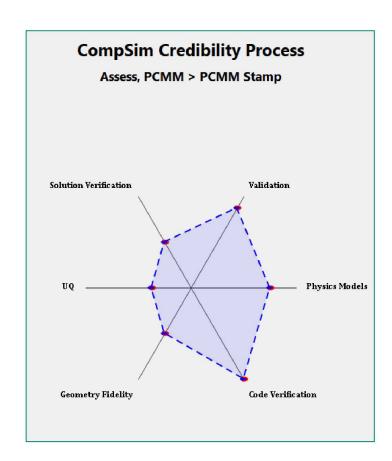
### CF PCMM Tool - Aggregate









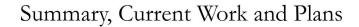


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### Credibility Framework - Summary

#### On-going work

- UI/UX testing started
- Early adoption on high consequence programs
- Engaging other organizations (KCNSC, different SNL ND programs) to test configurability of CF to match its behavior with their credibility process
- CF open source submission process started

#### Plans (FY21 and beyond)

- Queries (PIRT: "What phenomena had 'red' gaps at the preliminary design review?")
- Managing program requirements and evidence of meeting them
  - Likely to involve existing requirement management systems
- Experimental credibility
- Credibility risk management
- Peer review framework
- Credibility constructs at different consequence levels (design study, system test design, CompSim based qualification)
- Credibility report generation through ARG
- Evidence theory (belief-plausibility) and UQ based verification of program requirements



## Credibility Framework (CF)

What: Platform for answering: Why should the customer believe predictions? Open source implementation of Sandia credibility constructs and tools (Phenomena Identification and Ranking Table (PIRT), Predictive Capability Maturity Model (PCMM), Experimental Credibility, etc.). Version controlled credibility process for any engineering discipline; configurable by non-programmers for program specific organizational and program needs.

Current state: Several spreadsheets; evidence may be "hearsay"; no central access point. Final peer review team may spend considerable time collecting/organizing evidence

**Future state:** Reviewable tightly linked evidence package covering program requirements, computational and experimental credibility and risks communicated through an automatically generated human extensible report.

**Stakeholders:** High consequence programs need defensible credibility communication provenance tracking

#### Approach:

- Involve V&V practitioners, ModSim team members and UI/UX experts early
- Implementation by small business partner, NGA (Next Generation Analytics)

Risks: Lack of adoption (need analysis management support)