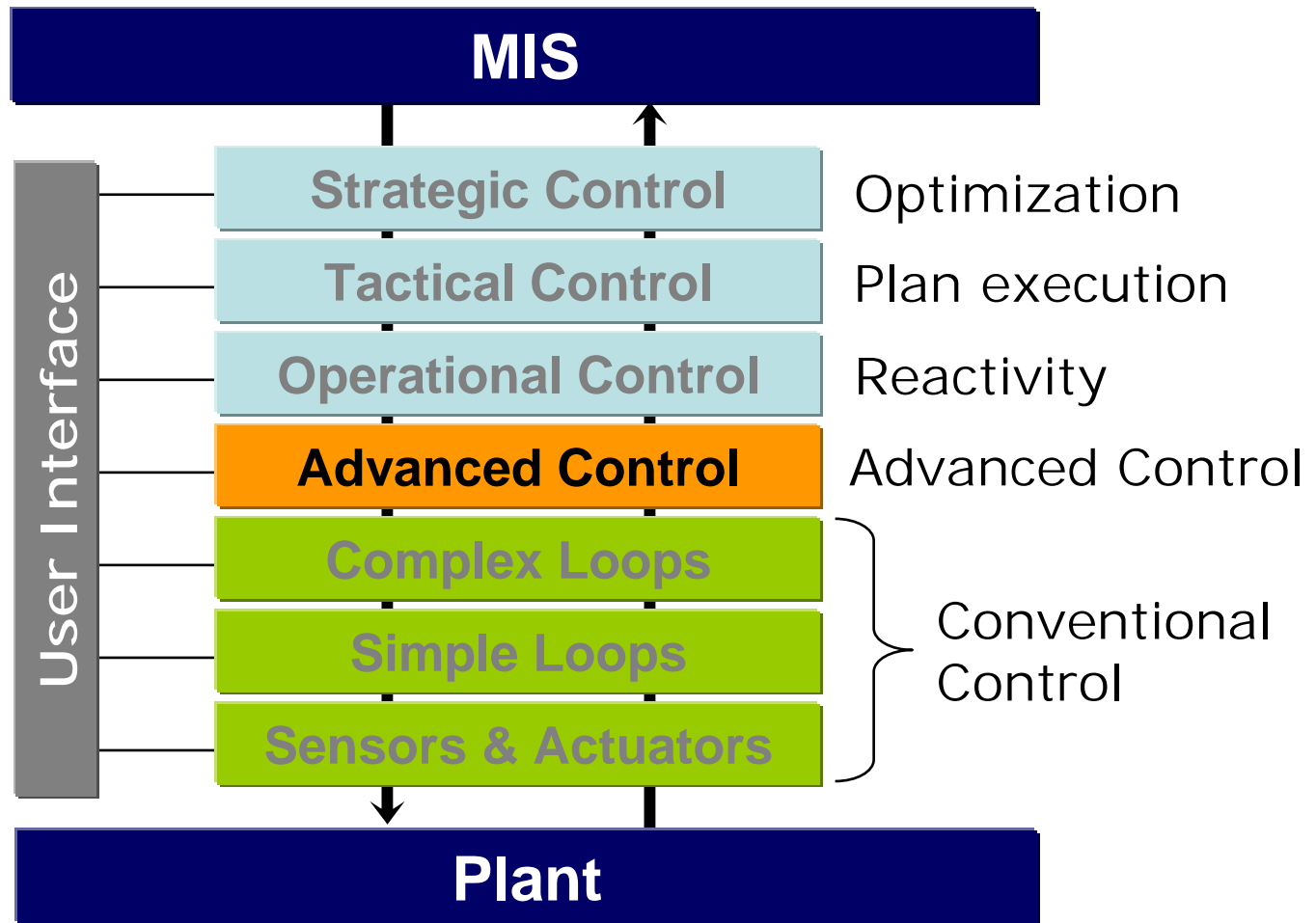




Control Systems WG (CSWG)

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Going Down



Why CORBA ?

- Reasons for using CORBA in control systems engineering:
 - Total Integration
 - Modularity
 - Composability
 - Complexity handling
 - Dealing with change
 - Standardization

Hard Requirements

- Control systems do pose tight requirements:
 - Constant delay between sampling and actuation
 - Synchronization of multiple sampling and/or actuation
 - Jitter minimization
 - Large-scale real-time behavior
 - Reliable ordered group communication
 - Etc.
- *These –and other– requirements are not being addressed today at the OMG*

CSWG Context

- Control systems do perform a **dynamical interaction** with real world entities (they are closed loop systems).
- Their **complexity** can range from a simple *thermostat* or *pacemaker* to an *Airbus AFCS* or a *country-wide energy management system*.
- Control systems do pose **problems of wider and deeper scope** than many other systems: e.g. distribution, hard real-time behavior, fault-tolerance, embedded, long life-span (10-40 years), model-based construction, formal verification, scalability, dependable systems of systems, complexity, etc.
- The approach needed by control systems engineering is **integrative** (for all these issues now scattered in OMG technological processes).

Topics of the OMG CSWG

- Focus: **Distributed Control Systems**
- Hard real-time behavior
- Consideration for dynamics of reality
- Model-based (system/environment) construction
- Formal verification / Fault-tolerance
- Maintainability: Long life-span (10-40 years)
- Design patterns: Cost-effective, predictable engineering
- Scalability and Dependable Composability
- Systems engineering complexity handling
- etc.

CSWG Charter

- The purpose of the **Control Systems WG** is to foster the availability and suitability of OMG specifications in relation with the construction of **distributed control systems**.
- The technology needed falls more-or-less inside **RTESS** scope, but the CSWG is basically **domain oriented** but with a **cross-cutting approach** (**manufacturing, utilities, aerospace, automotive, C4I, transport**, etc). Of major importance are the relations with: **AD, MARS, Systems Engineering, MDA** and **Simulation**.
- The main activity of the WG should be **catalytic**, encouraging existing groups in the OMG to consider if their specs are useful to control systems and trying to redirect their evolution.
- The **CSWG** will address these issues by means of **three main types of activities** in themes *relevant to control systems engineering*:
 - **Foster** new specifications for the controls domain (with an eye on other bodies' specs: ISO, IEC, ISA, IEEE, etc).
 - **Catalyze** OMG specification processes (new & existing) in different groups (including core OMG specs).
 - **Increase** coherence of specification efforts in different OMG groups.

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Initial Focus

- White paper on
CORBA for Control Systems
- Real-time Interoperability Protocol (RIOP)
- Total (System/environment) MDA
- Design Patterns
- PLC Models and Interfaces

Initial Roadmap

- Identify and recruit people
- Start organization
- White paper (January'03)
- Control Systems Meeting at Burlingame (Jan'03)
- RFIs
 - Real-time Interoperability Protocol
 - PLC Languages
 - Control Patterns
 - Joint Modeling

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Good Luck !