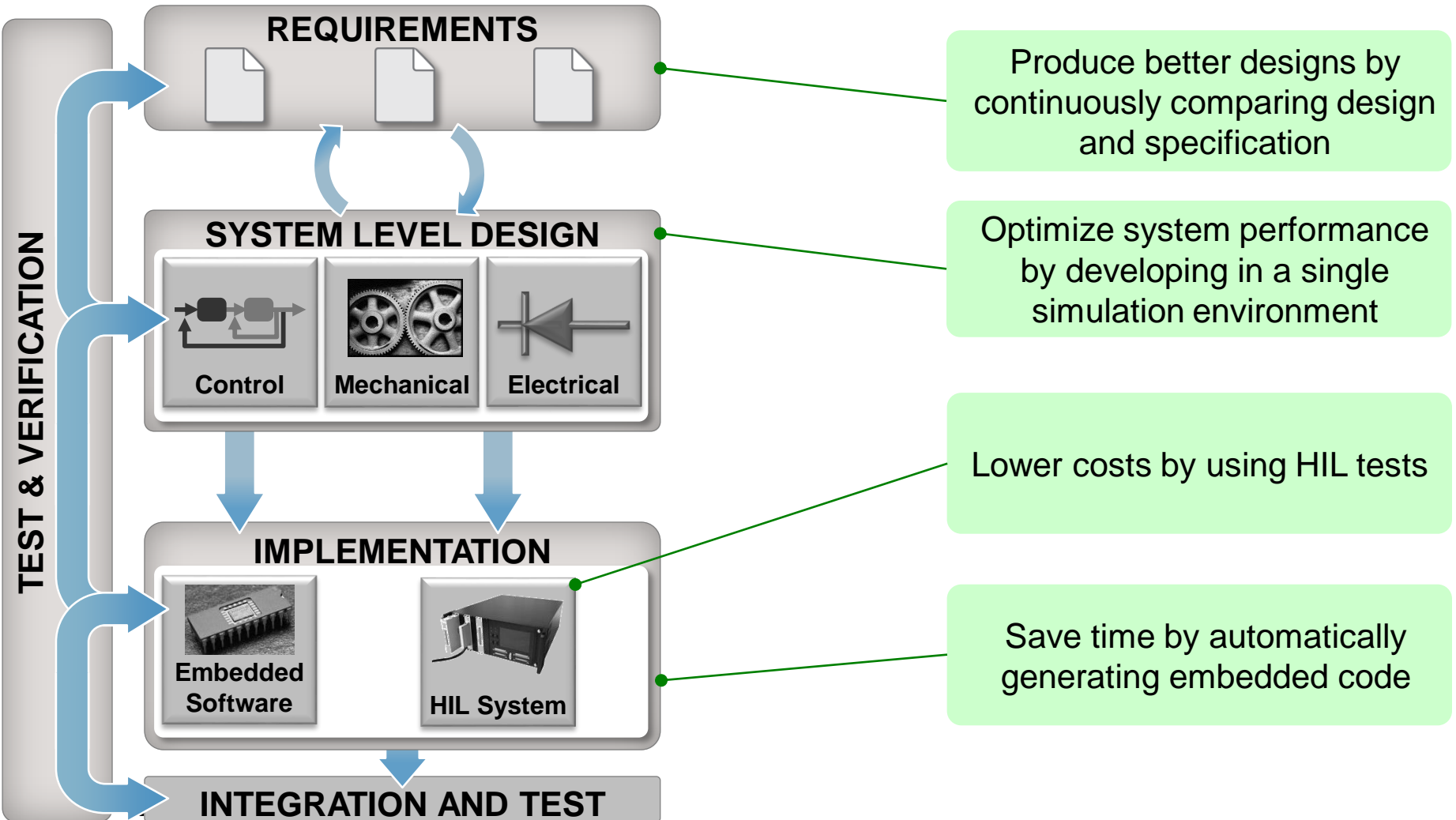


Modeling and Simulation of Photovoltaic Solar Power Vehicle Systems using MATLAB and Simulink



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Model-Based Design Process



Customer Successes

with Model-Based Design



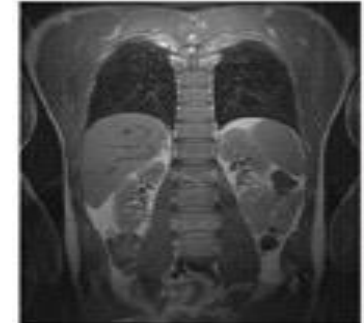
**Lockheed
Martin**
F-35 flight
control



General Motors
Two-Mode Hybrid
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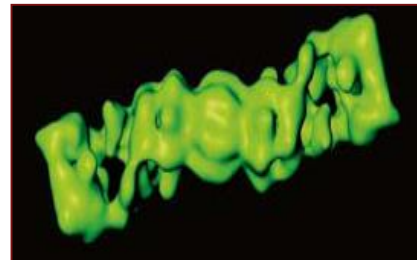
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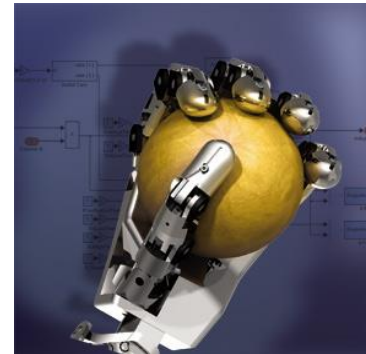
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improved MRI
accuracy



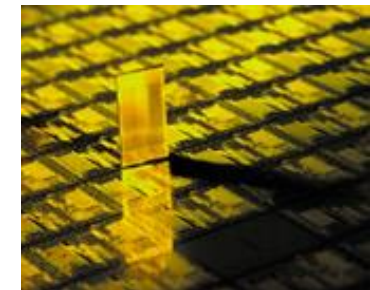
Horizon Wind
forecasting
& risk analysis



**Max Planck
Institute**
protein structure
analysis

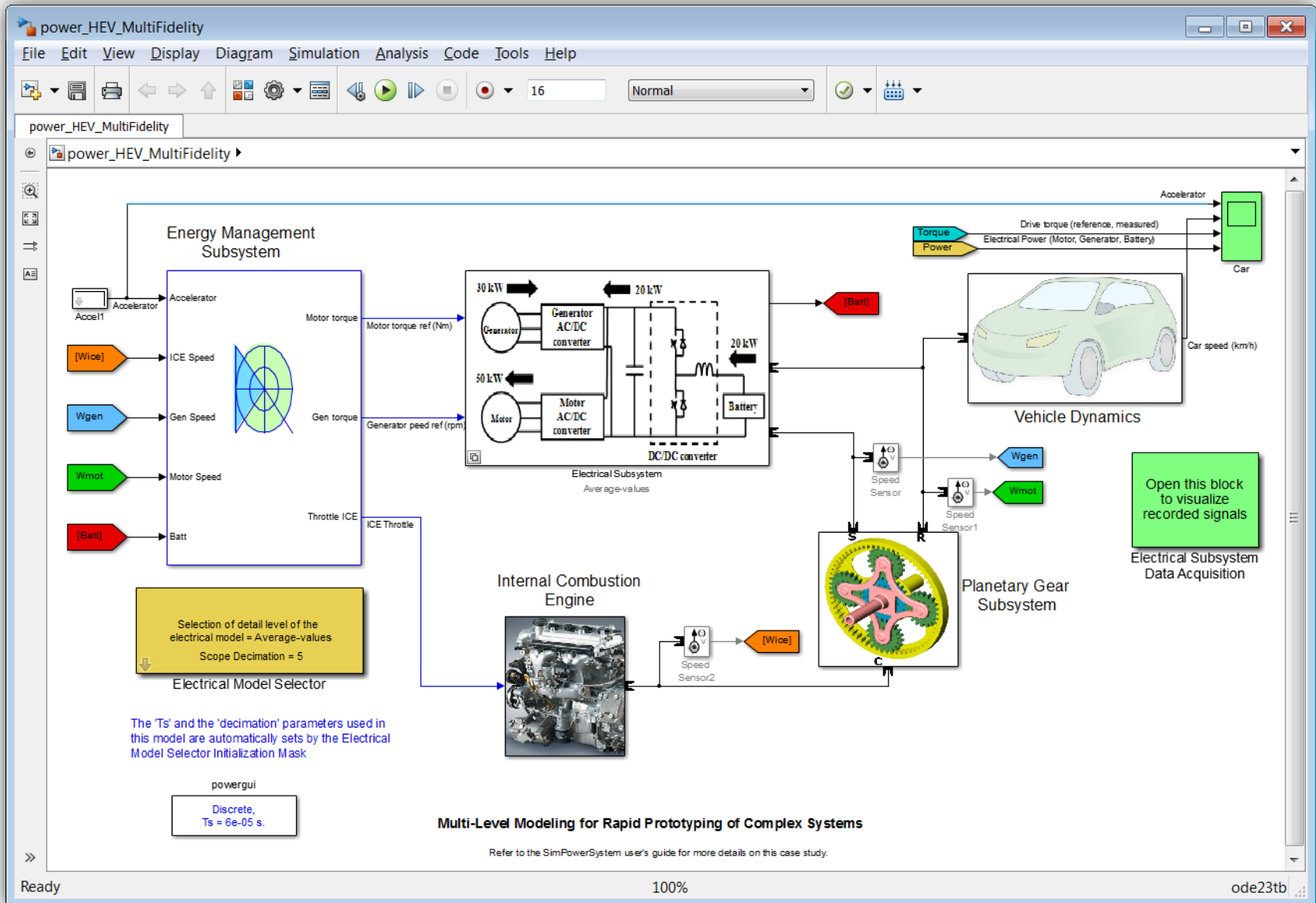


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University APL**
prosthetic arm
development

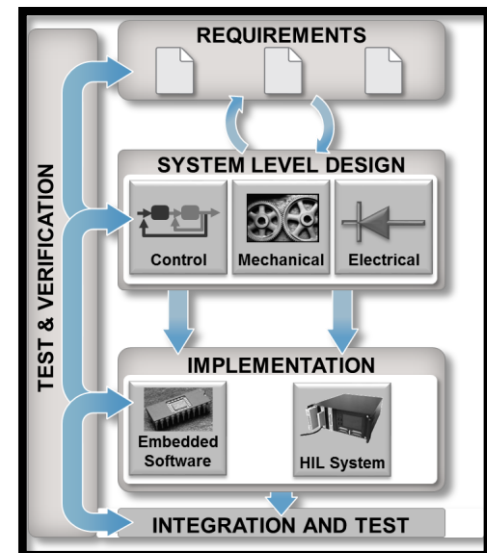
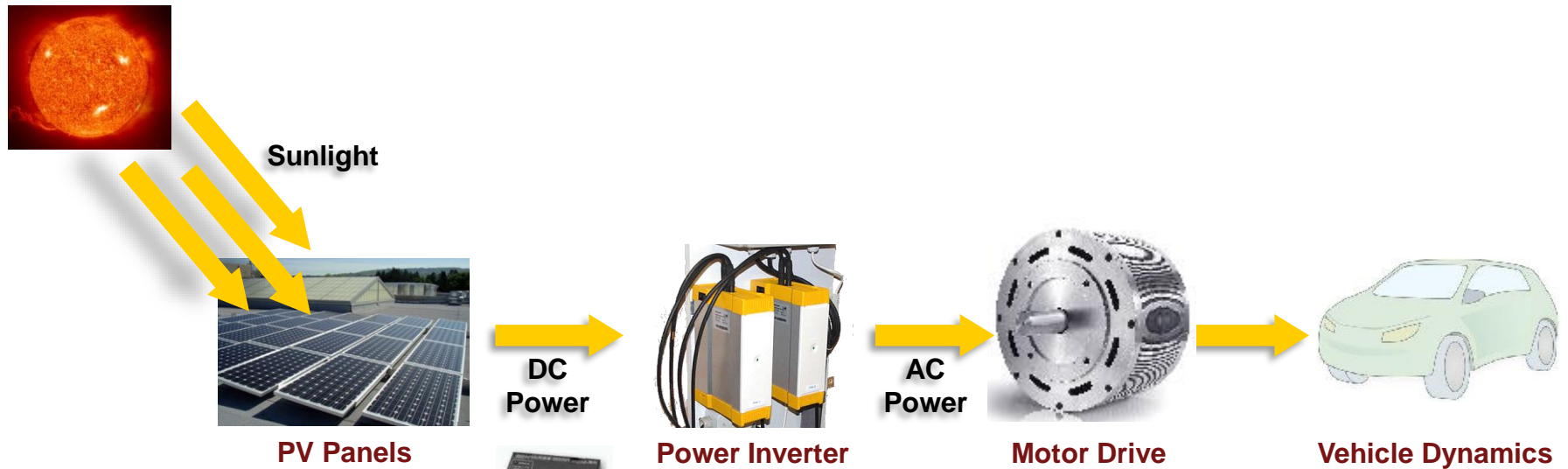


**Texas
Instruments**
advanced
DSP design

HEV: System-Level Design & Optimization



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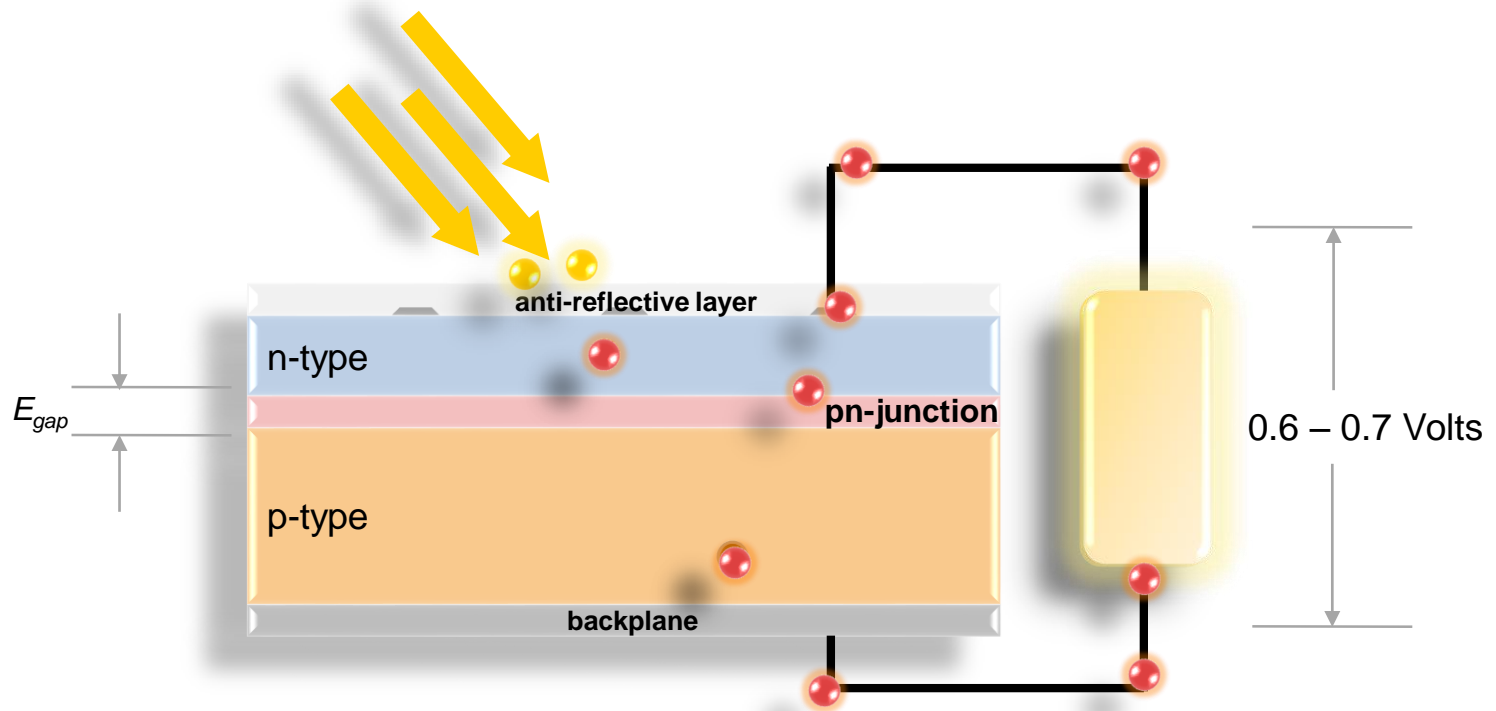


Agenda

- Model-Based Design: System-Level Context
- Modeling electrical and electronic components
 - PV cells, panels, arrays and batteries
 - Power converters and inverters
- Designing control algorithms for power electronics
 - Voltage and current regulation
 - Maximum power point tracking (MPPT)
- Modeling vehicle dynamics and mechanical components
 - Transmission, clutches and tires
- Support for Student Competitions
 - Software
 - Learning Resources

How does a PV cell work?

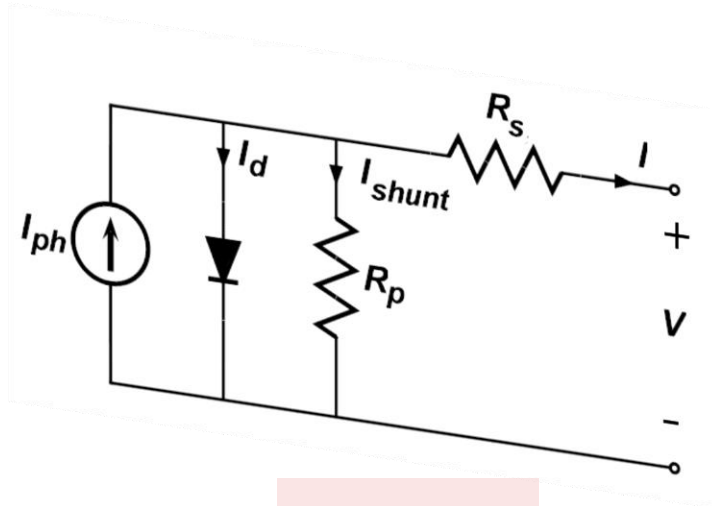
Anatomy of a PV cell



- Photogeneration: Short circuit current I_{sc} is proportional to the number of absorbed photons that cross the *pn-junction* (when photon energy $h_n > E_{gap}$).
- Charge separation: Open circuit voltage V_{oc} depends on the *pn-junction* diode-like characteristics, $V_{oc} < E_{gap}/q$ (where q is the elementary charge on an electron).

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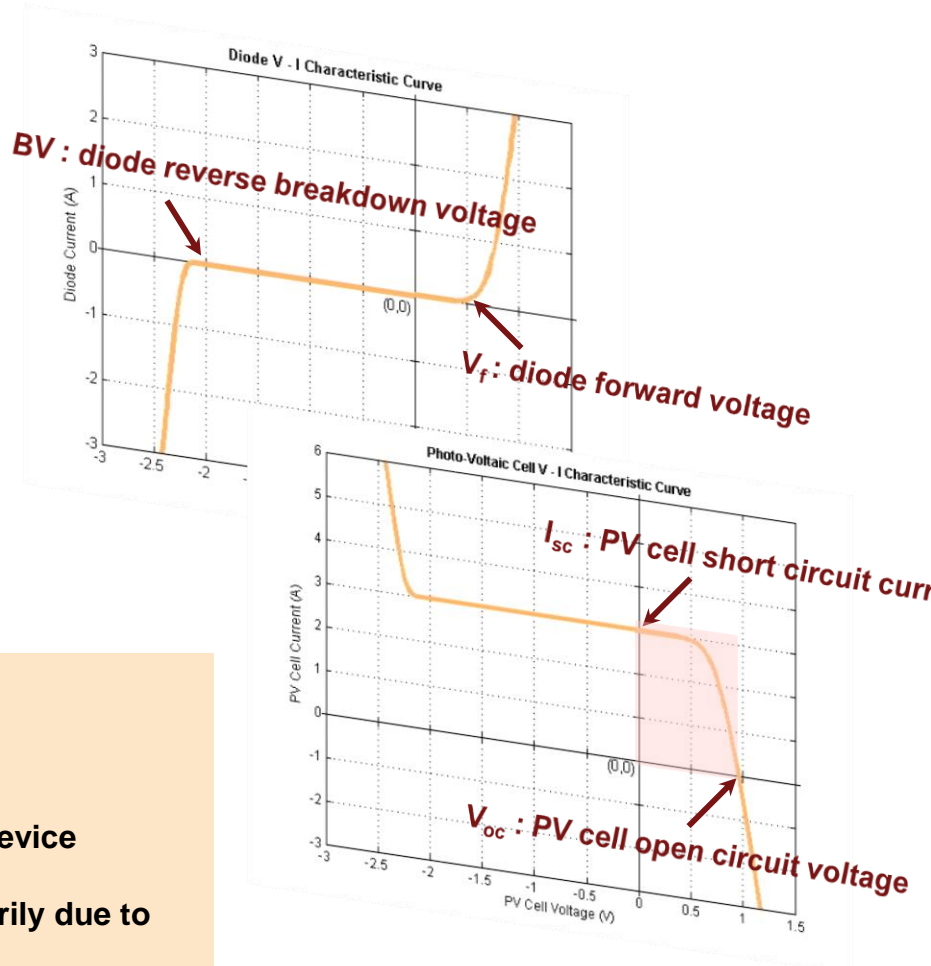
PV Cell Equivalent Circuit



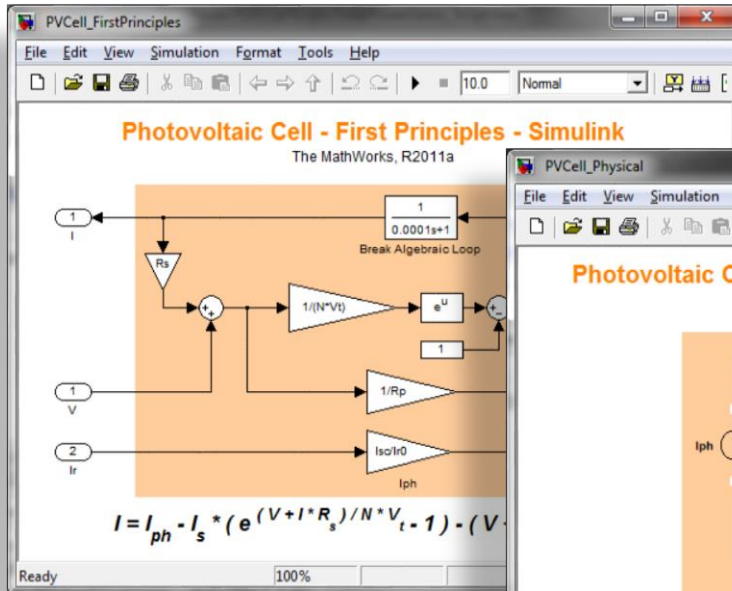
$$I = I_{ph} - I_s \left(e^{\frac{V + IR_s}{NV_t}} - 1 \right) - \frac{V + IR_s}{R_p}$$

Where:

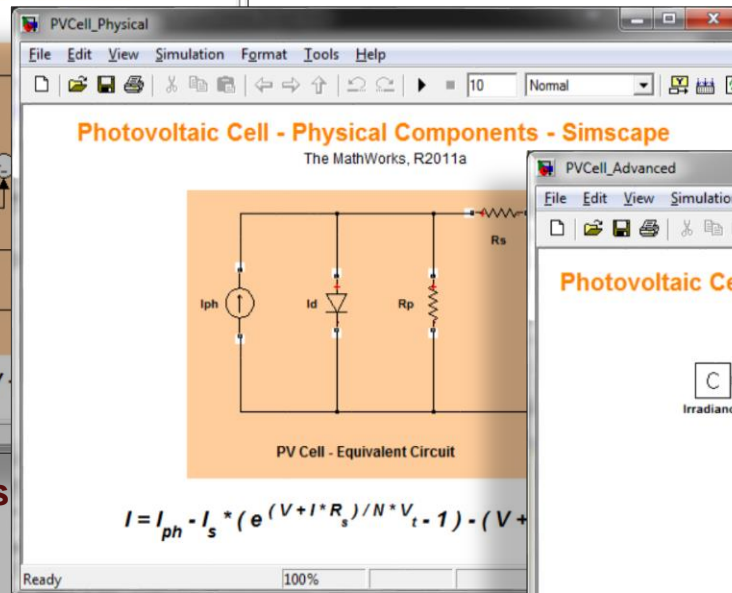
- I_{ph} Solar induced current (proportional to irradiance)
- I_s Diode saturation current (exponential behavior)
- N Diode quality factor (emission coefficient)
- V_t Thermal voltage kT/q (k : Boltzmann constant, T : device temperature)
- R_p Shunt resistance (models leakage currents, primarily due to defects)
- R_s Series resistance (models bulk and contact resistances)



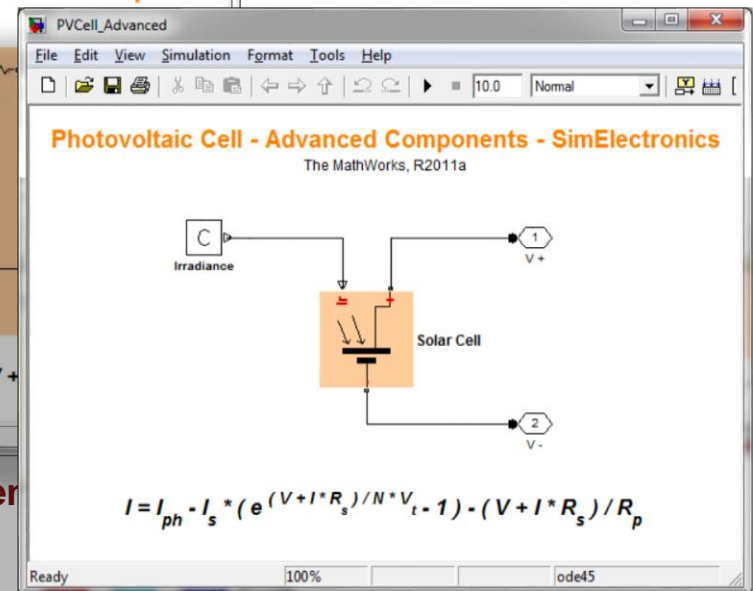
Model Using Fundamental Approaches



First Principles
Simulink



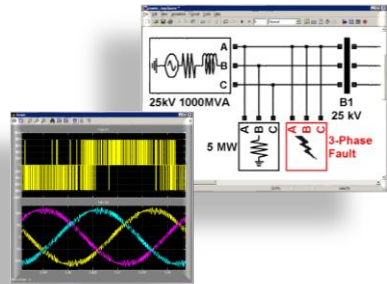
Physical Components
Simscape



Advanced Components Library
SimElectronics

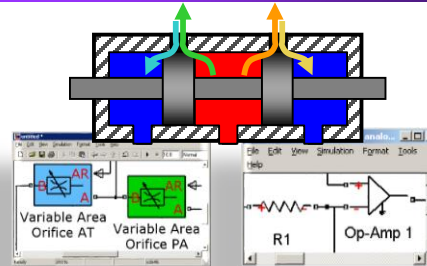
Physical Modeling in Simulink®

SimPowerSystems™



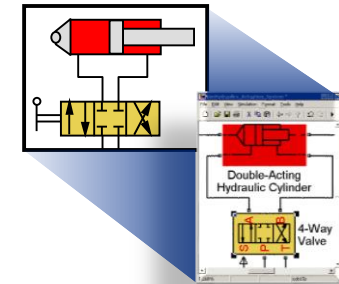
Electrical power systems

Simscape™



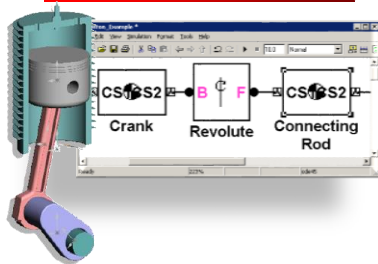
Multi-domain physical systems

SimHydraulics®



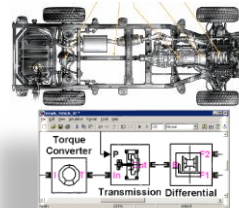
Fluid power and control

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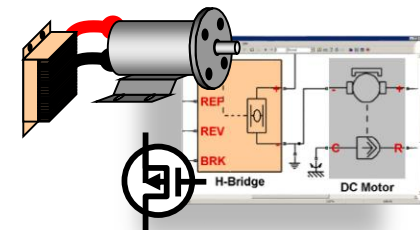
Mechanical dynamics (3-D)

SimDriveline™



Drivetrain systems (1-D)


SimElectronics™



Electromechanical and electronic systems

Model using experimental test data

$$N = \frac{\ln(2-2^a)}{\ln(1 - \frac{I}{I_{sc}})}$$

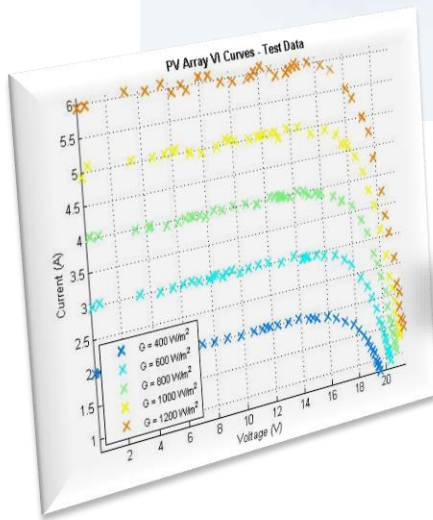
$$V = \frac{V_{oc} * \ln \left[2 - \frac{I}{I_{sc}} \right]}{\ln \left(1 - \frac{I}{I_{sc}} \right) - R_s * (1 - I_{sc})}$$


Programmable Solar Array Simulator
i.e. Agilent E4360A

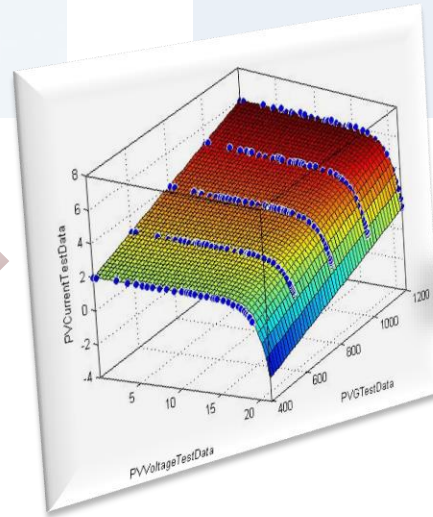
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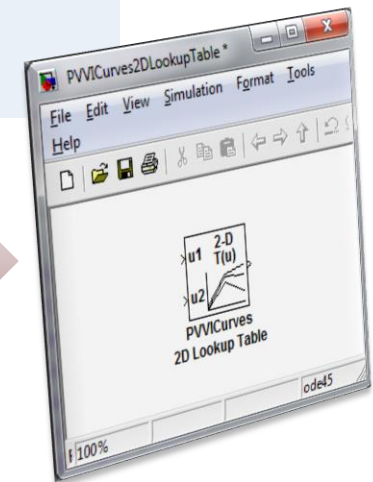
PV panels under test



Import your test data



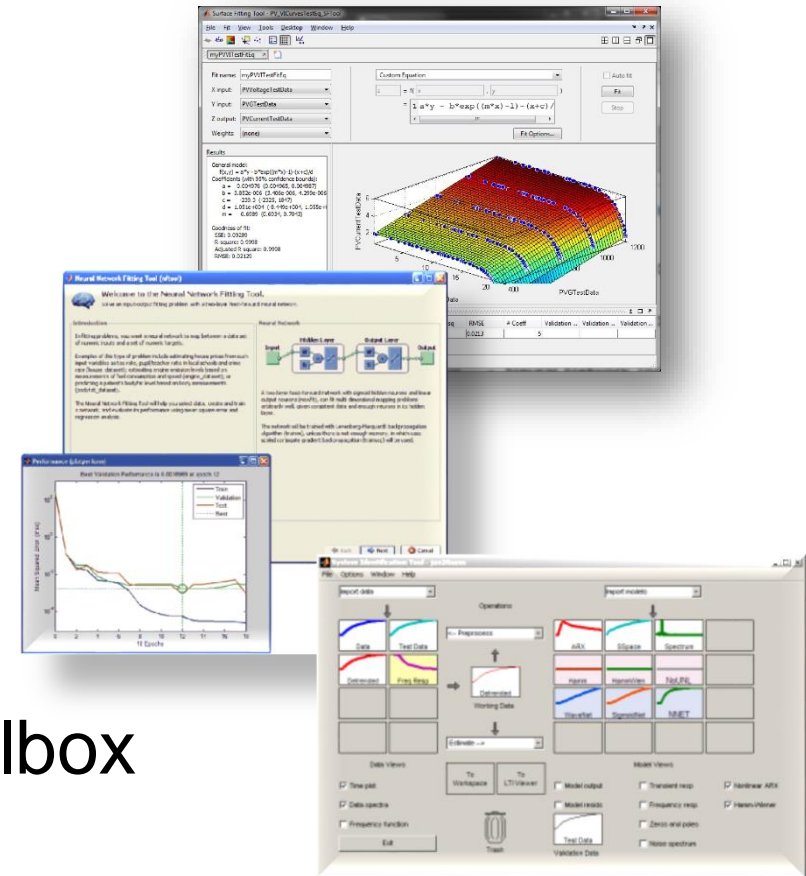
Generate surface fit for experimental V-I curves



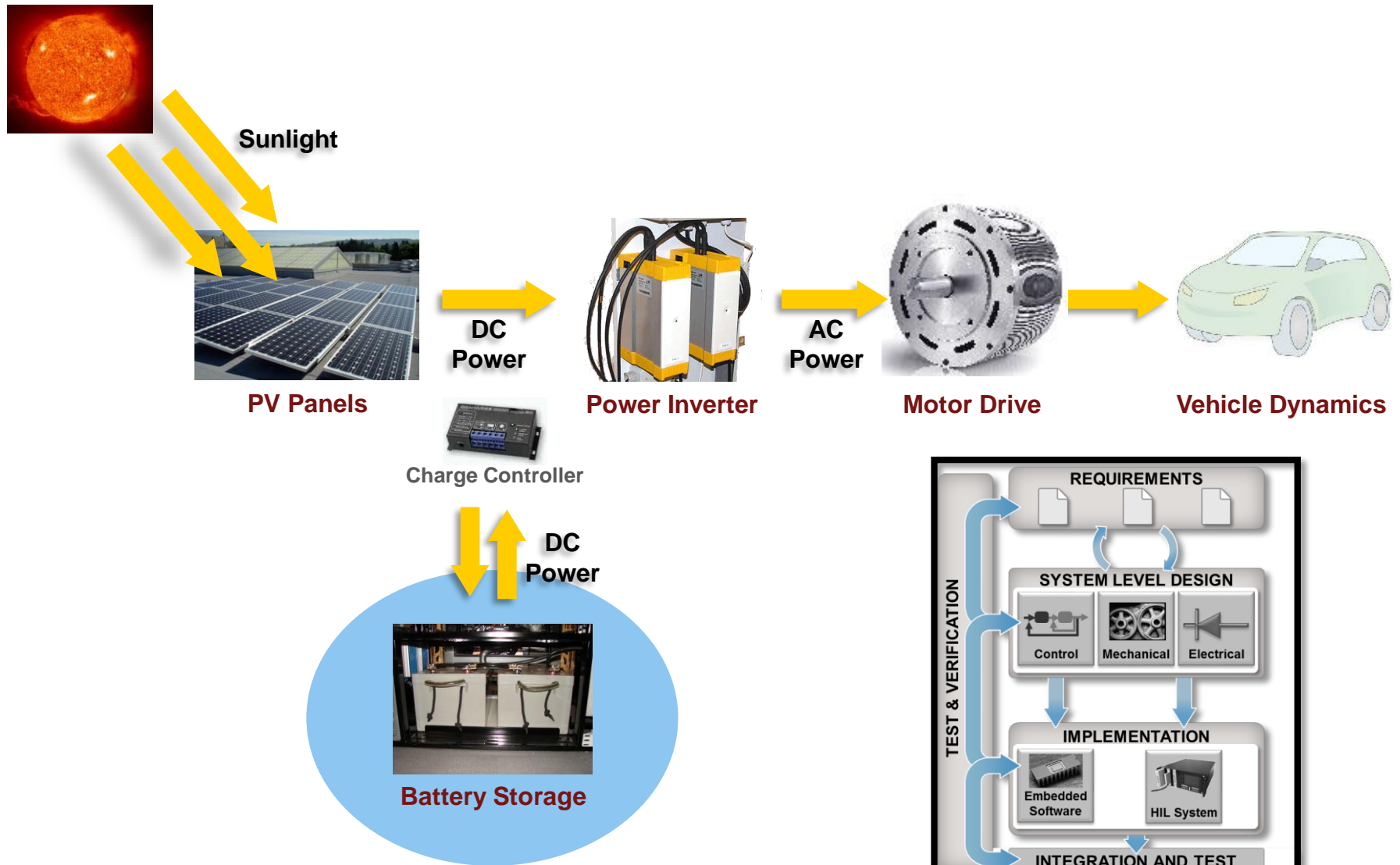
Use 2D Lookup Table model in simulation

Data Driven Modeling in Simulink®

- Curve Fitting Toolbox
- Optimization Toolbox
- Neural Network Toolbox
- System Identification Toolbox



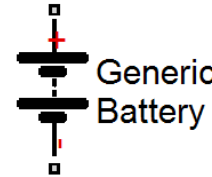
Photovoltaic Solar Power Vehicle Systems



Battery Models: Generic, Pre-Defined

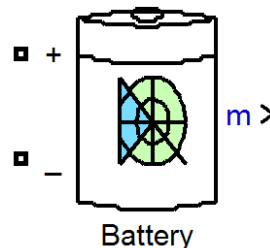
- **Generic: SimElectronics**
 - Charge-dependent voltage source
 - Parameters found on data sheets

- **Pre-Defined: SimPowerSystems**
 - Several pre-defined models
 - Full parameterization
 - Documentation provides extensive detail



Parameters

Nominal voltage, V_nominal:	12	V
Internal resistance, R1:	2	Ohm
Battery charge capacity:	Finite	
Ampere-Hour rating, AH:	50	hr*A
Initial charge:	50	hr*A
Voltage V1 < V_nominal when charge is AH1:	11.5	V
Charge AH1 when no-load volts are V1:	25	hr*A
Self-discharge resistance, R2:	Include	
R2:	2e+3	Ohm

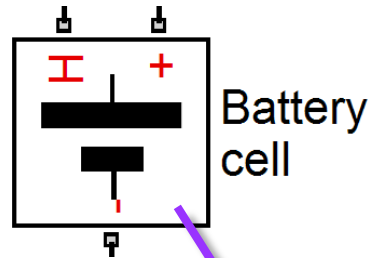
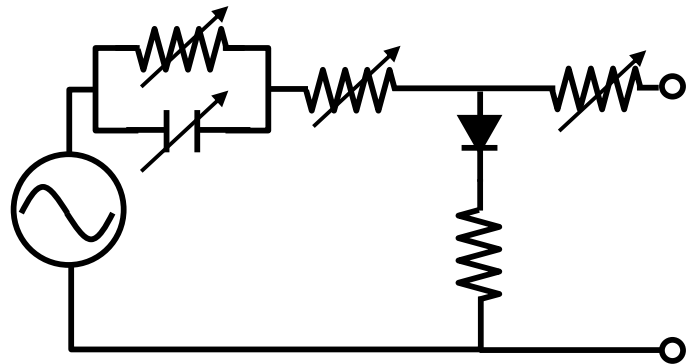


Parameters | View Discharge Characteristics | Battery Dynamics

Battery type	Nickel-Metal-Hydride	
Nominal Voltage (V)	1.2	
Rated Capacity (Ah)	1.5	
Initial State-Of-Charge (%)	100	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Use parameters based on Battery type and nominal values		
Maximum Capacity (Ah)	1.6154	
Fully Charged Voltage (V)	1.4136	
Nominal Discharge Current (A)	0.3	
Internal Resistance (Ohms)	0.008	
Capacity (Ah) @ Nominal Voltage	1.4423	
Exponential zone [Voltage (V), Capacity (Ah)]	1.3017	0.3

Battery Models: Custom Cell

- Use supplied component build new components via Simscape language

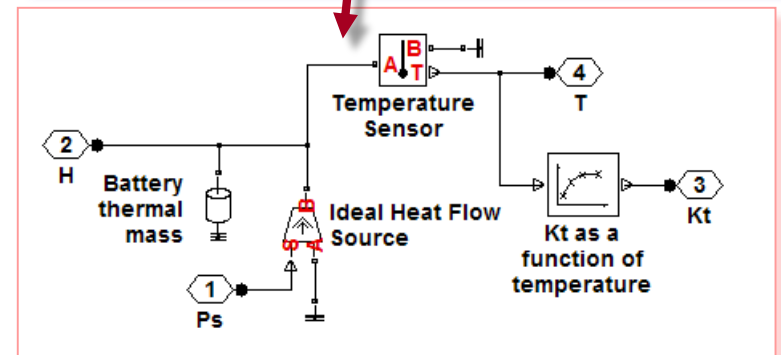
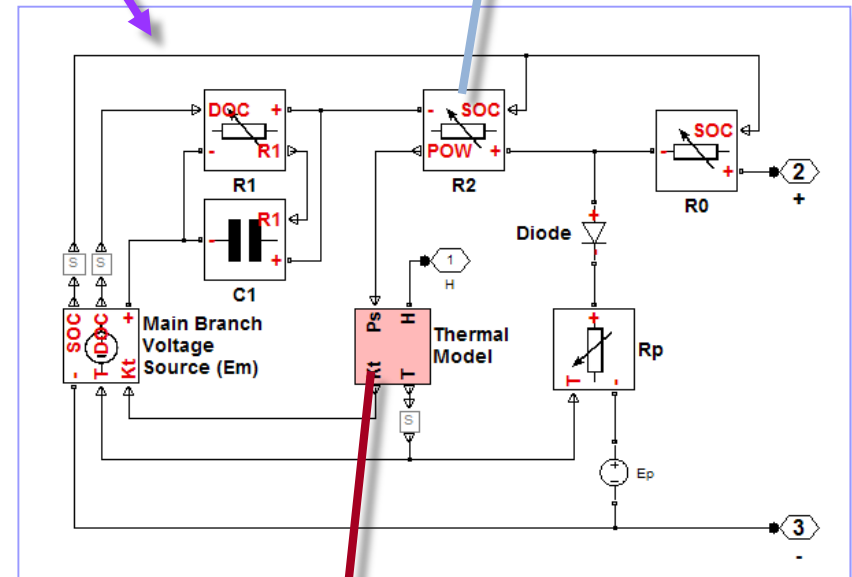


equations

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v == i*R20*exp(A21*(1-
pow == v*i;
end
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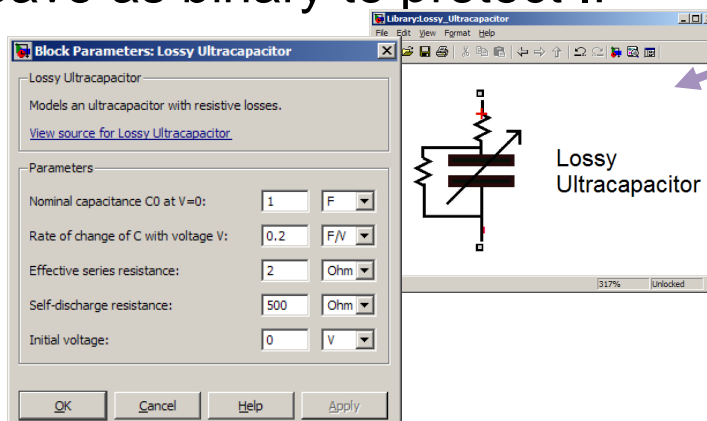
Battery cell equivalent discharge circuit

Resistors, capacitor, and voltage source are dependent upon SOC, DOC, and temperature



Simscape Language For Modeling Custom Components

- MATLAB-based language, enabling text-based authoring of physical modeling components, domains, and libraries
 - Leverages MATLAB
 - Object-oriented for model reuse
 - Generate Simulink blocks
 - Save as binary to protect IP

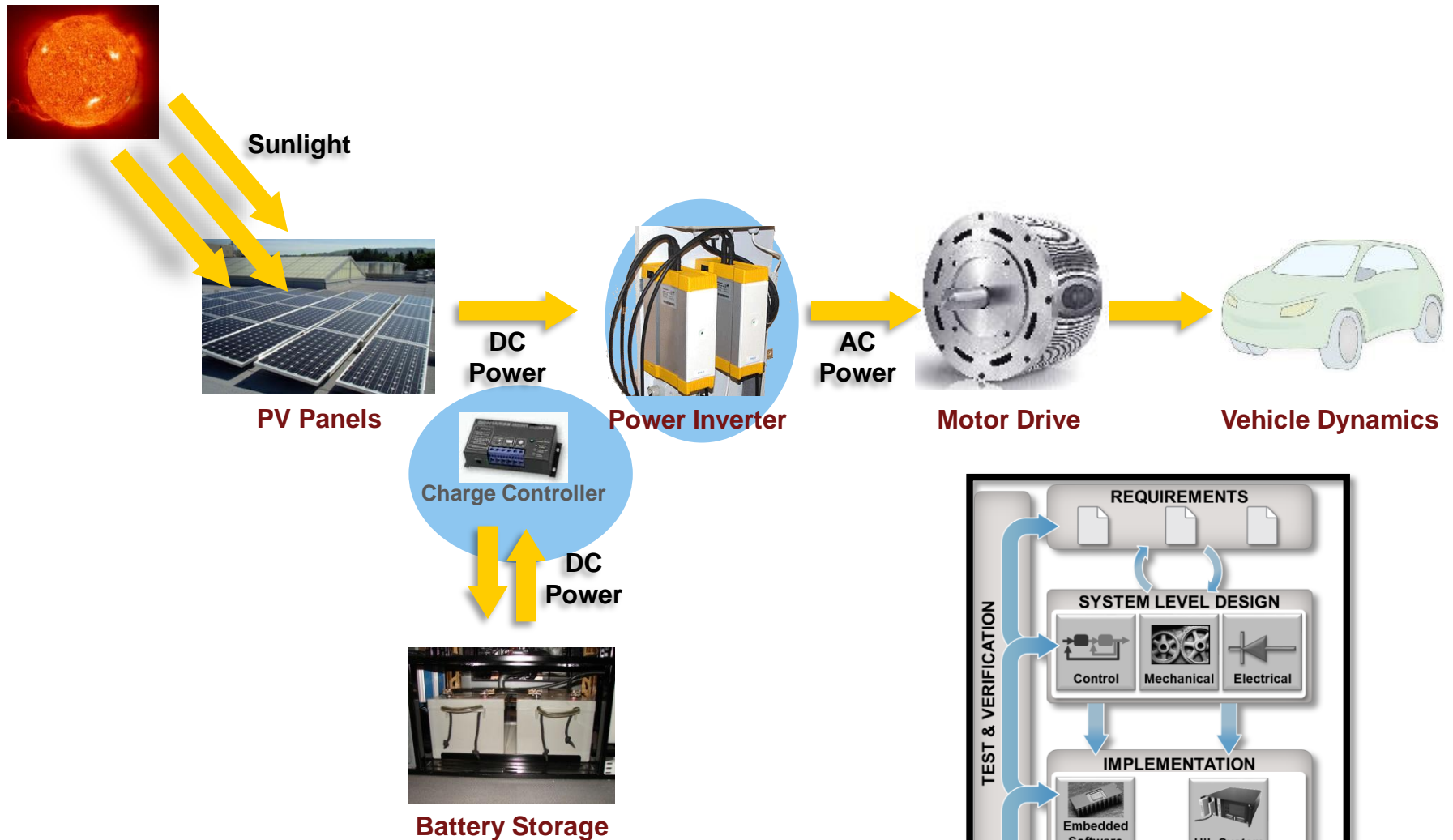


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Editor - c:\LossyUltraCapacitor.ssc
File Edit Text Go Tools Debug Desktop Window Help
1 component LossyUltraCapacitor
2 % Lossy Ultracapacitor
3 % Models an ultracapacitor with resistive losses.
4 nodes
5   p = foundation.electrical.electrical; % +:top
6   n = foundation.electrical.electrical; % -:bottom
7 end
8 parameters
9   C0 = { 1, 'F' }; % Nominal capacitance C0 at V=0
10  Cv = { 0.2, 'F/V' }; % Rate of change of C with volt.
11  R = { 2, 'Ohm' }; % Effective series resistance
12  Rd = { 500, 'Ohm' }; % Self-discharge resistance
13  V0 = { 0, 'V' }; % Initial voltage
14 end
15 variables
16  i = { 0, 'A' }; % Current through variable
17  v = { 0, 'V' }; % Voltage across variable
18  vc = { 0, 'V' }; % Internal variable
19 end
20 function setup
21   if R <= 0
22     error( 'Resistance must be greater than zero' )
23   end
24   through( i, p.i, n.i ); % Through variable i
25   across( v, p.v, n.v ); % Across variable v
26   vc = V0;
27 end
28 equations
29   i == (C0 + Cv*v)*vc.der + vc/Rd; % Equation 1
30   v == vc + i*R; % Equation 2
31 end
32 end
    
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$$\dot{i} = (C_0 + C_v v) \frac{dv}{dt} + \frac{v}{r_d}$$

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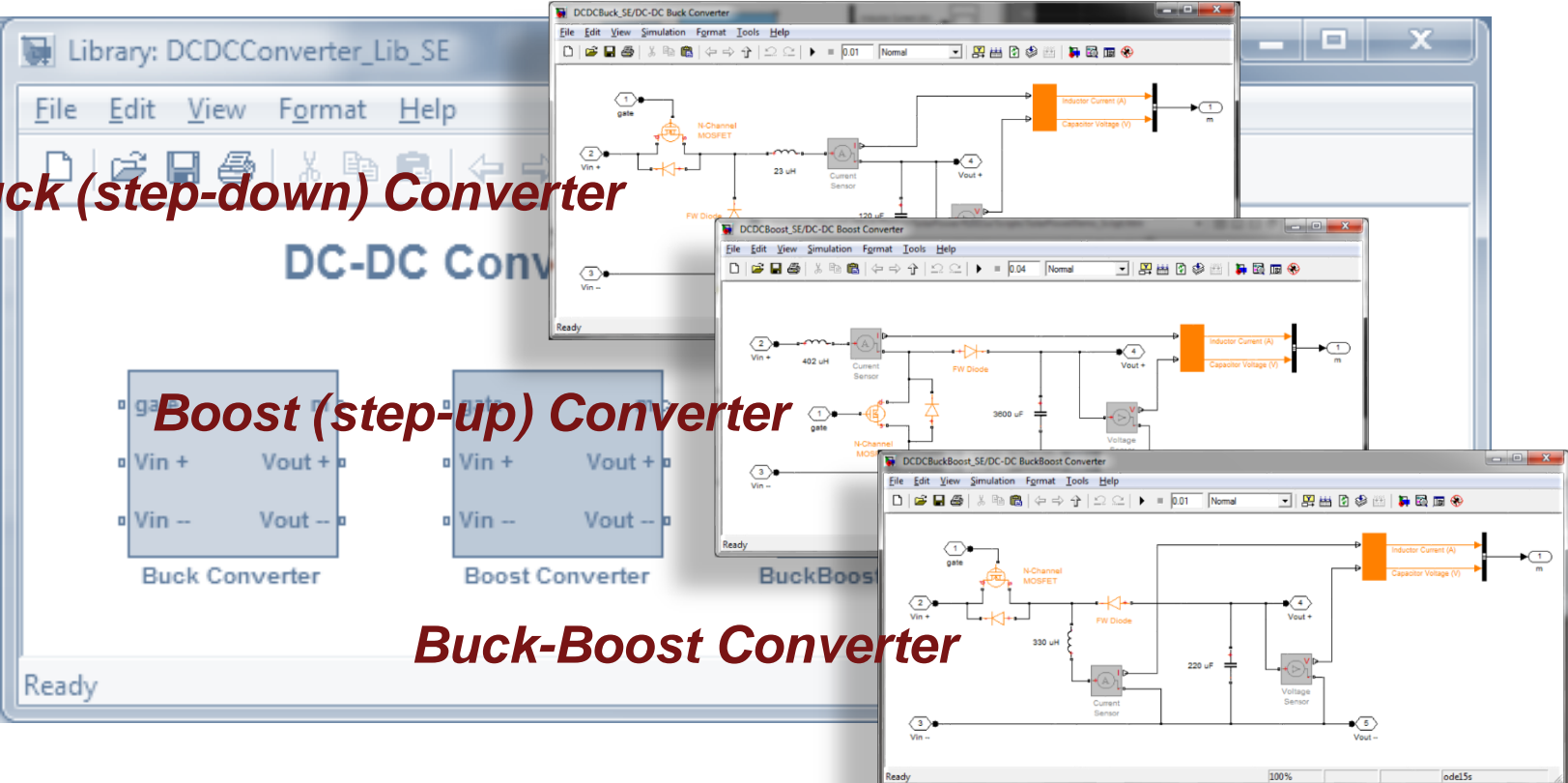
Model DC to DC Power Converters

- Construct, test and re-use multiple power electronic converter topologies quickly and efficiently

Buck (step-down) Converter

Boost (step-up) Converter

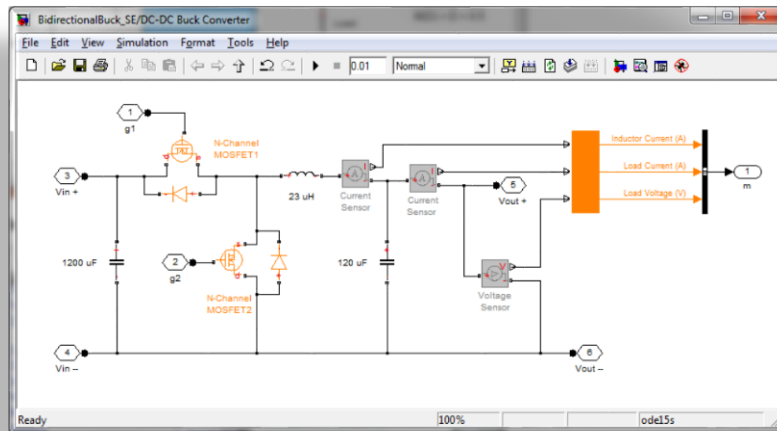
Buck-Boost Converter



The image displays the Simulink DC-DC Converter Library interface. On the left, a library window titled 'Library: DCDCConverter_Lib_SE' shows three converter blocks: 'Buck Converter', 'Boost Converter', and 'BuckBoost Converter'. Each block has two input ports (Vin +, Vin -) and two output ports (Vout +, Vout -). To the right, three circuit diagrams are shown in separate windows, each corresponding to one of the converter types. The 'DCDCBuck_SE/DC-DC Buck Converter' window shows a circuit with an N-Channel MOSFET, a 23 uH inductor, a current sensor, a 120 uF capacitor, and a diode. The 'DCDCBoost_SE/DC-DC Boost Converter' window shows a circuit with a 402 uH inductor, a 3600 uF capacitor, a current sensor, a diode, and a voltage sensor. The 'DCDCBuckBoost_SE/DC-DC BuckBoost Converter' window shows a circuit with an N-Channel MOSFET, a 330 uH inductor, a 220 uF capacitor, a current sensor, a diode, and a voltage sensor. The text labels 'Buck (step-down) Converter', 'Boost (step-up) Converter', and 'Buck-Boost Converter' are overlaid in red italics on the respective circuit diagrams.

Model DC to DC Power Converters

- Balance model fidelity and simulation speed according to your needs

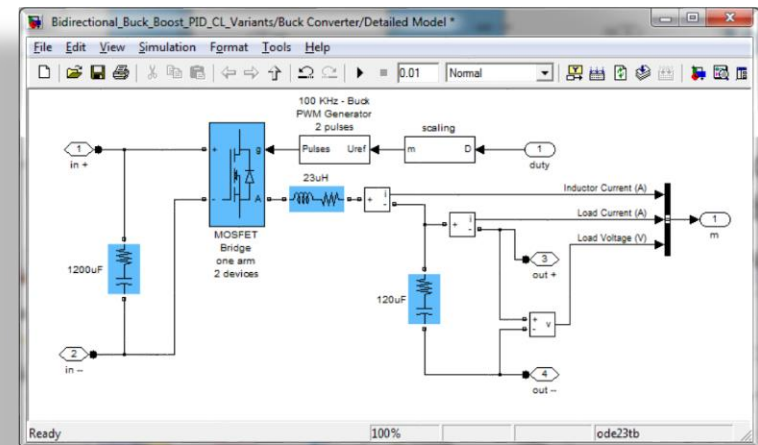


SimElectronics

Nonlinear simultaneous equations solution
 Include temperature effects
 SPICE level switching device models
 Detailed simulation

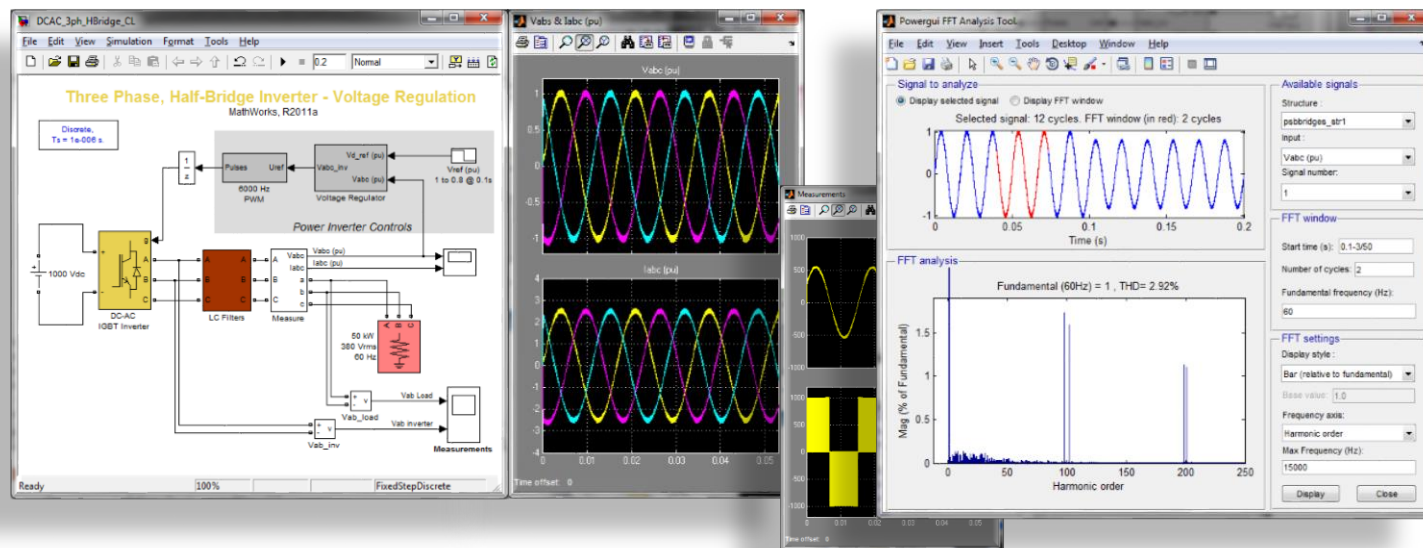
SimPowerSystems

Piecewise linear systems solution
 Multiphase bridges and pulse generators
 Transient and harmonic analysis
 Faster simulation



Model DC to AC Power Inverters

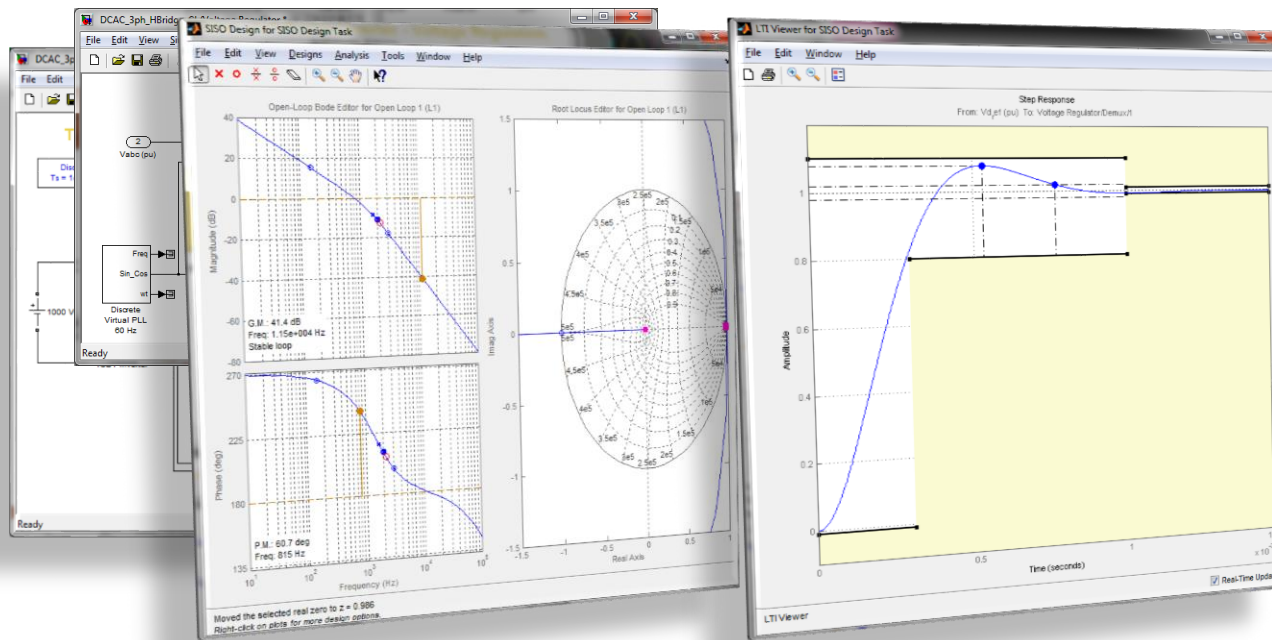
- Build complex, multi-phase, multi-level inverter circuits using the Universal Bridge from the SimPowerSystems library



- Use the built-in tools in SimPowerSystems to perform harmonic analysis directly on your simulation model
- Use average voltage models or ideal switching algorithms for control design and faster simulation

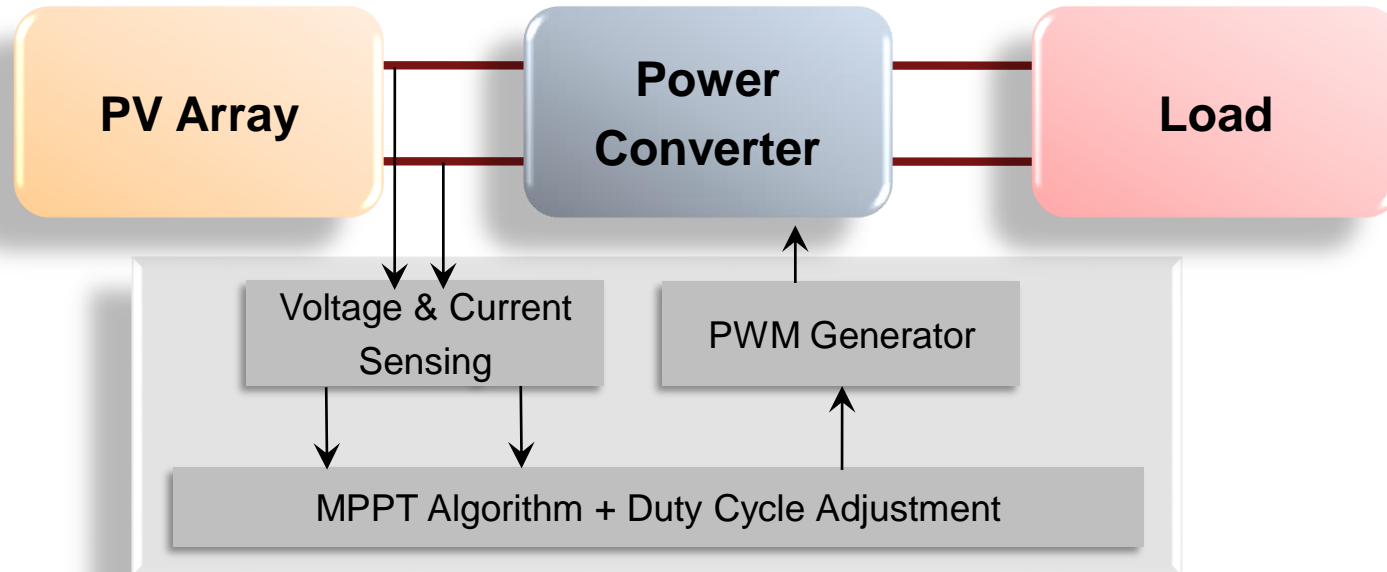
Voltage or Current Regulation

- Use **Simulink Control Design** and the **Control System Toolbox** to linearize your model and interactively design controllers against requirements in the time and frequency domain



- Once designed, test and verify the performance of your controller against the nonlinear model

Maximum Power Point Tracking



- In general, when a module is directly connected to a load, the operating point is seldom the MPP
- A power converter is needed to adjust the energy flow from the PV array to the load
- Multiple well-known direct control algorithms are used to perform the maximum power point tracking (MPPT)

Maximum Power Point Tracking

Incremental Conductance Algorithm

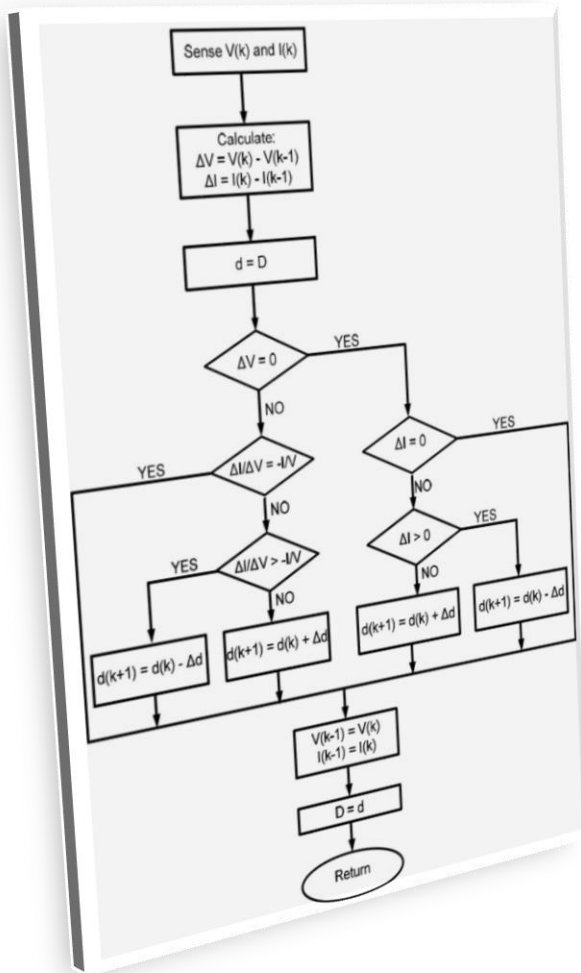
- Based on the differentiation of the PV array power versus voltage curve:

$$\frac{dP}{dV} = \frac{d(VI)}{dV} = I \frac{dV}{dV} + V \frac{dI}{dV} = I + V \frac{dI}{dV}$$

- The MPP will be found when:

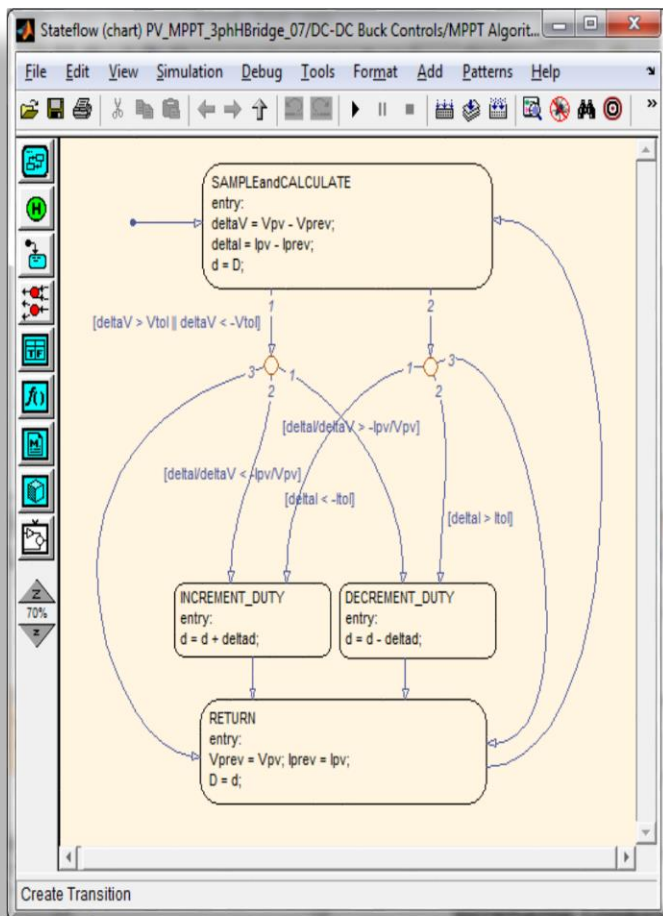
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Flowchart of the Incremental Conductance MPPT Algorithm

Maximum Power Point Tracking



STATEFLOW Chart

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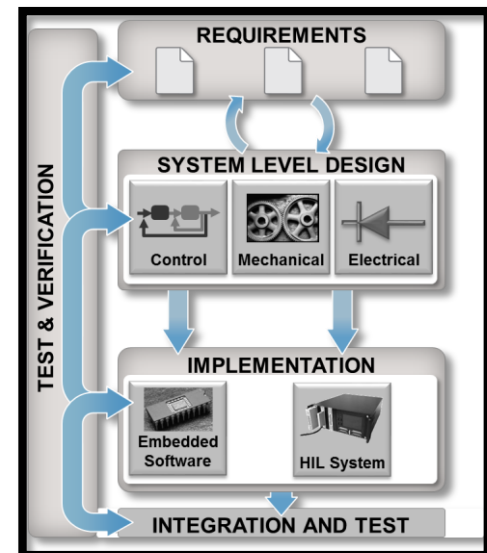
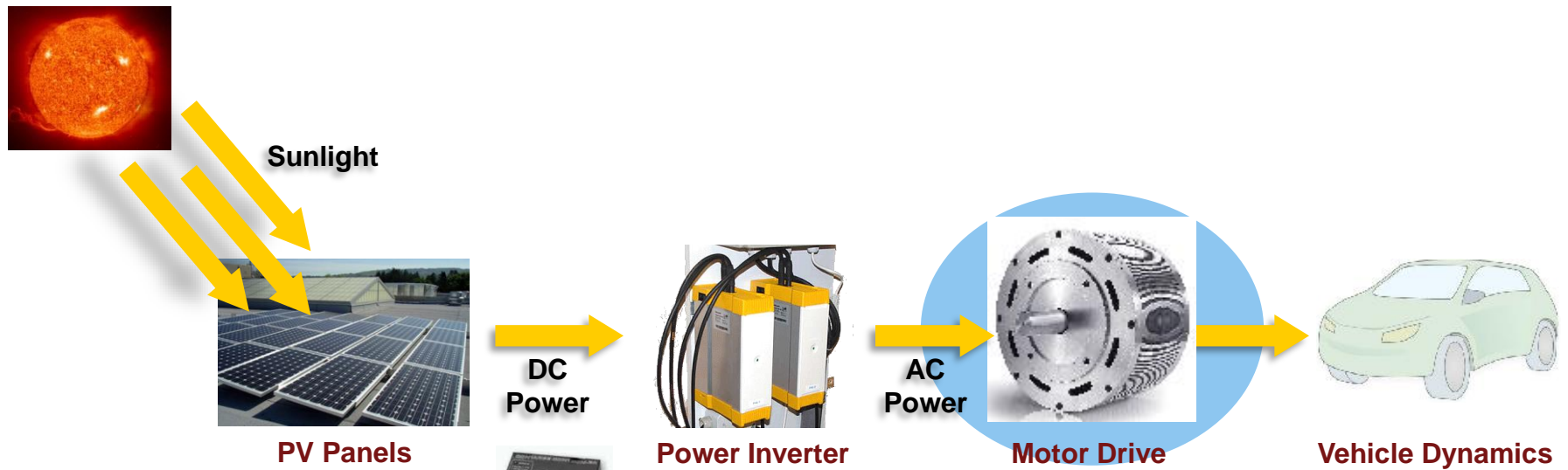
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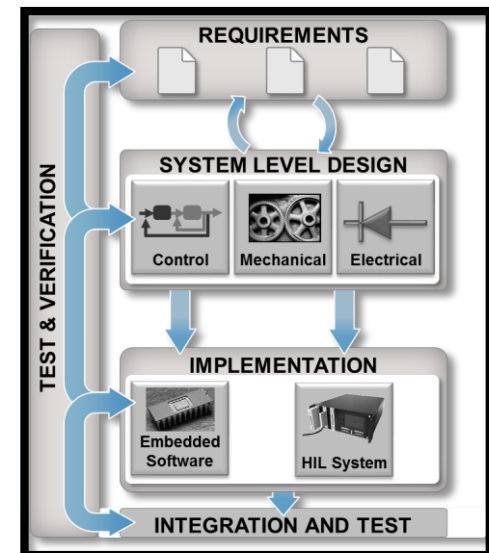
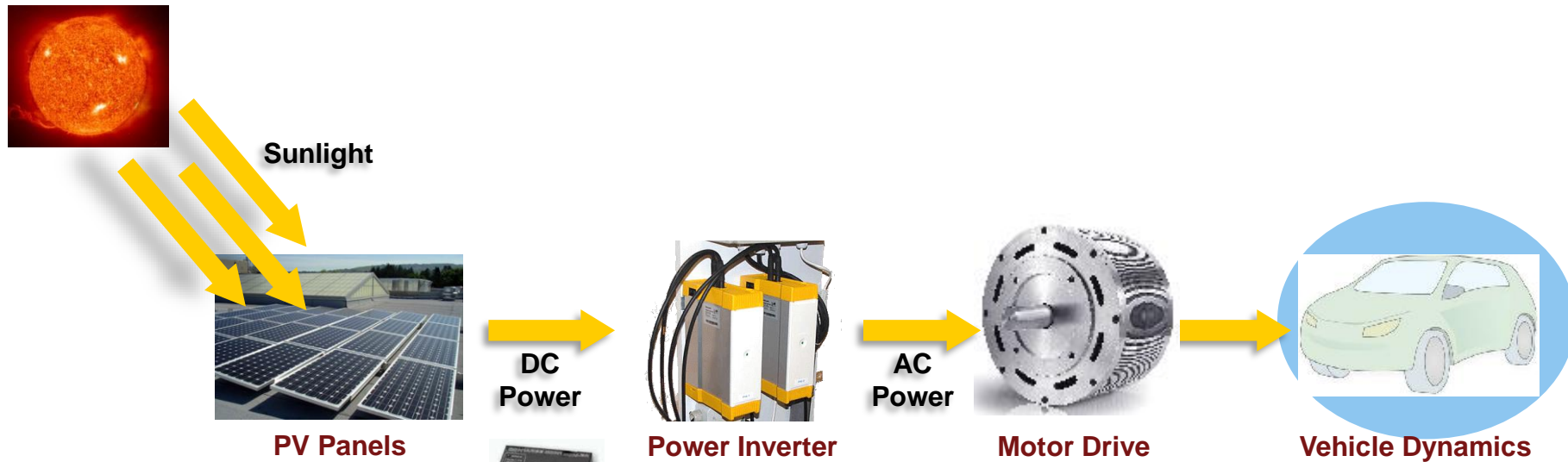
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Mechanical Drivetrain: SimDriveline

- Power Split Device

- Planetary gear, from gear libraries in SimDriveline

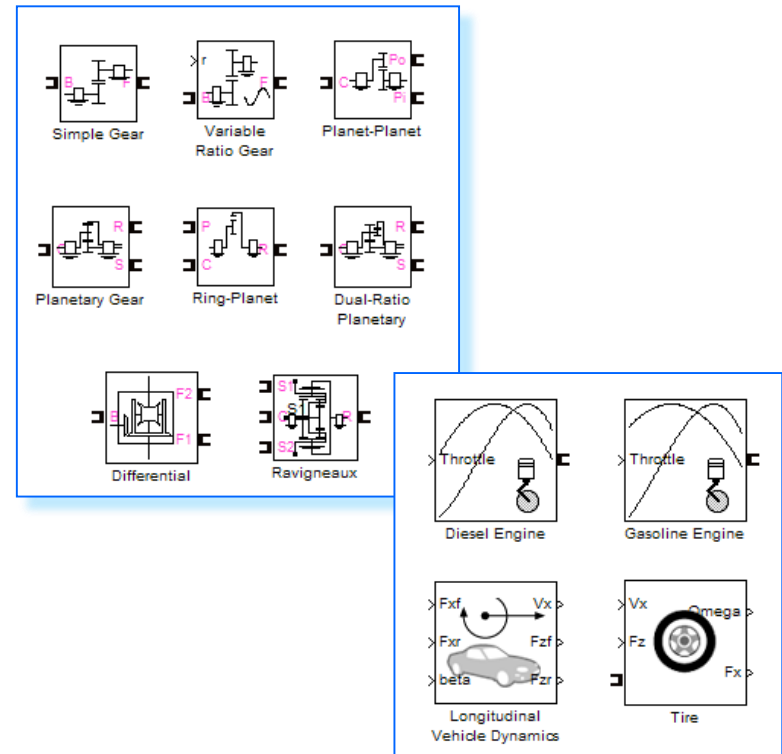
- Full Vehicle Model

- Tire models
 - Transient and steady-state dynamics
- Longitudinal dynamics
 - Relevant for fuel economy studies

- Engine Model

- Lookup-table relating speed to available power

- Extend models using Simscape language or Simulink



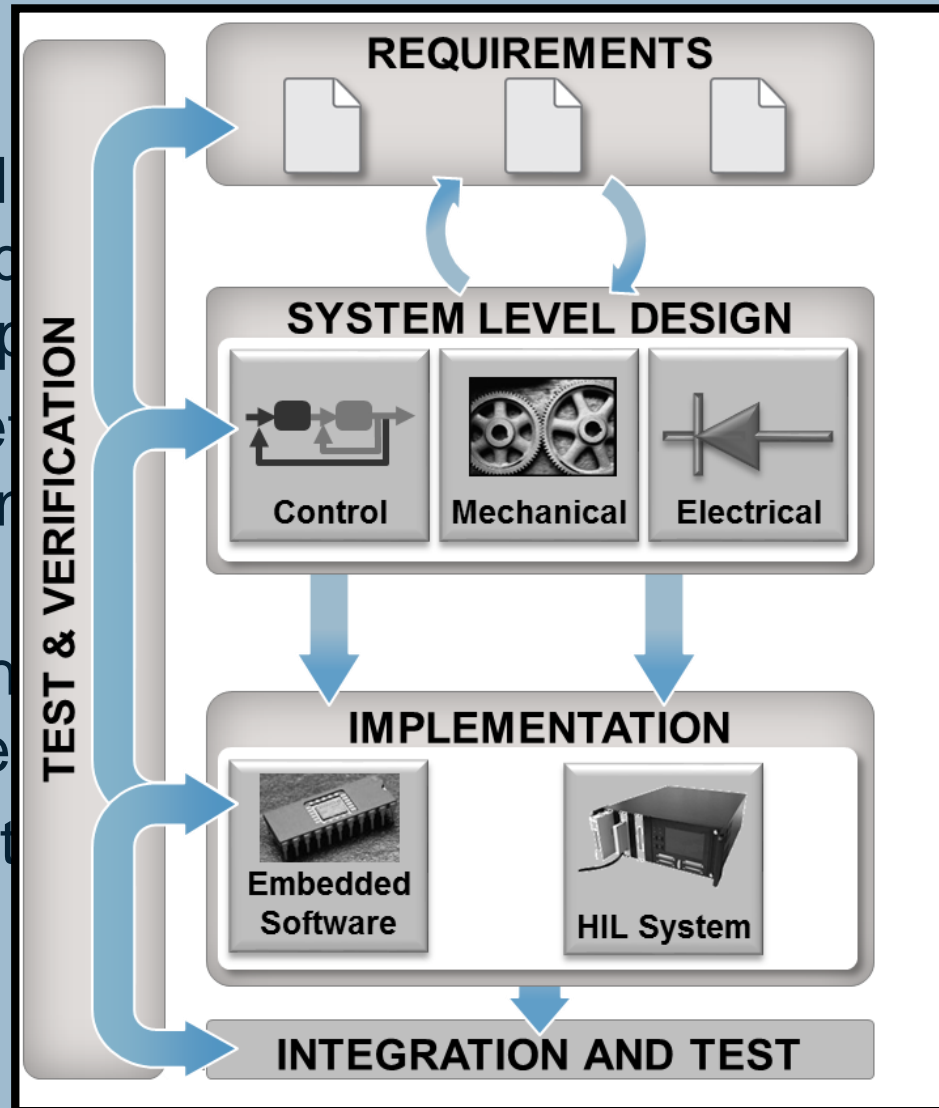
MathWorks Support for American Solar Challenge

- Complimentary Software for teams to use for the competition
- On-demand webinars
- Free MATLAB and Simulink Tutorials



Summary

- Model individual components using functional models and/or expert models
- Switch between components as needed
- Design and verify against requirements
- Optimize the design



components
components

your
speed as

them
domain
simulation



Q&A