Thoughts on "Protocols" for Model Assisted POD

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MAPOD

- Primary issue Model Validation
- Extensive background

 Verification and Validation (V & V)
 Modeling and Simulation (M & S)
- V&V State of the Art: Proceedings of Foundations '02 a Workshop on Model and Simulation Verification and Validation for the 21st Century, October 22-24, 2002 – Recent '04 follow-on in Arizona

Sessions in '02 Workshop

- A1: Verification Technologies
- A2: Validation Methods and Technologies
- A4: SME Use in M&S V&V
- A5-T5 combined session: Formal Methods in V&V
- A6: M&S Foundations
- B1: Computational Science/Engineering V&V
- B2: V&V for HWIL/System in Loop M&S
- B3: V&V of M&S with People or HBR (Human Behavior Representation)
- B4: Estimating V&V Resource Requirements
- B5: V&V of M&S with Adaptive Processing
- B6: V&V of Multi-Resolution M&S
- T1: V&V Education in Academia
- T2: Managing V&V
- T3: V&V Research
- T4: V&V Issues re M&S Reuse
- T6: V&V Tools, Templates, and Resources
- T7: V&V Policies, Guides, Standards
- T8: V&V Education in the Workplace

Foundations '02 V&V Bibliography

- 649 Entries
 - Books
 - Journal Articles
 - IEEE, AIAA, OR, Simulation, Statistics
 - Conferences

Sample V&V Standards List

AFSC/AFLCP 800-5 - Software Independent Verification and Validation.

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- FHWA Handbook, Wentworth, James A., Knaus, Rodger, and Aougab, Hamid, Verification, Validation, and Evaluation of Expert Systems: An FHWA Handbook, Version 1.2 - 1st Edition (McLean: Federal Highway Administration, Jan. 1997).
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Sample V&V Standards List (continued)

- ISO 9001, Quality Systems Model for Quality Assurance in Design, Development, Production, Installation, and Servicing, (Geneva, International Organization for Standardization, 1994).
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 UDI-M-23928 Validation and Verification Plan, Navy-SH, 2 Jan. 1973.

View of Modeling and Simulation by the Society for Computer Simulation



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Definitions

<u>Model.</u> - A physical, mathematical, or otherwise logical representation of a system, entity, phenomenon, or process. <u>Modeling.</u> - Application of a standard, rigorous, structured methodology to create and validate a physical, mathematical, or otherwise logical representation of a system, entity, phenomenon, or process.

Modeling and Simulation (M&S). - The use of models, including emulators, prototypes, simulators, and stimulators, either statically or over time, to develop data as a basis for making managerial or technical decisions. The terms "modeling" and "simulation" are often used interchangeably. Validation. - The process of determining the degree to which a model or simulation is an accurate representation of the real-world from the perspective of the intended uses of the model or simulation.

DoD Directive 5000.59, "DoD Modeling and Simulation (M&S) Management," January 4, 1994

Frequently used techniques for model validation

Face validation:	Gathering of opinions about the reasonableness and accuracy of the model from people knowledgeable of the system.		
Tracing	Following the behavior of specific entities through the model calculations		
Internal validation	Stochastic analysis to determine the variability of the model.		
Sensitivity analysis	Effects of changing input parameters on the model behavior and its output. Comparison to other models in terms of structure and output.		
Historical validation	Using part of historical data to determine if the model behaves as the system did.		
Predictive validation	Determining if the system's behavior and the model predictions are the same.		
Events validation	Comparing the events occurrences in the model with the distribution of these in the system.		
Turing tests	To verify if knowledgeable people can distinguish between the real system and model outputs.		
Spectral analysis	To evaluate if, in the frequency domain, the dynamic behavior of the model differs from the behavior of the system.		
Experimentation	Manipulating variables in both the real-world and the model and then comparing the outputs.		
Convergent validation	Comparing the model's predictions with those of experts		

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Categorization of nondeterministic features

Туре	Aliases	Mathematical representation	Comment
Variability	Stochastic uncertainty aleatory uncertainty inherent uncertainty irreducible uncertainty	Probability or frequency distributions	Substantial literature concerning propagation through models and simulations
Uncertainties (lack of knowledge)	epistemic uncertainty reducible uncertainty.	Probability or frequency distributions (Bayesian) Intervals	Proper representation has been a debated issue for some time - especially in the risk community
Modeling Error (including numerical error)	Examples Incomplete model Spatial discretization Temporal discretization	Intervals (relative errors)	Numerical errors usually addressed in "verification" phase

Features Needed in Validation Study

- A list of model features or inputs (parameters) of potential importance
- A list of potentially important factors not included in model
- Uncertainties for each input of the model
 - Identification of type of uncertainty and range or distribution and how the input is treated in the model
- List of known modeling errors (mesh size)

Features (continued)

- Specification of evaluation criterion for model output
- Specify domain of input for which evaluation will be done
- Specify the necessary "field data" to be used to match criteria to reality