Rational Systems and Software Engineering **Symposium**

Using IBM Rational tools to support Evidence-based Development

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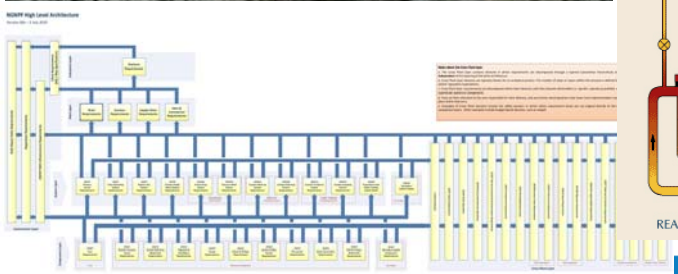
Who are Integrate?

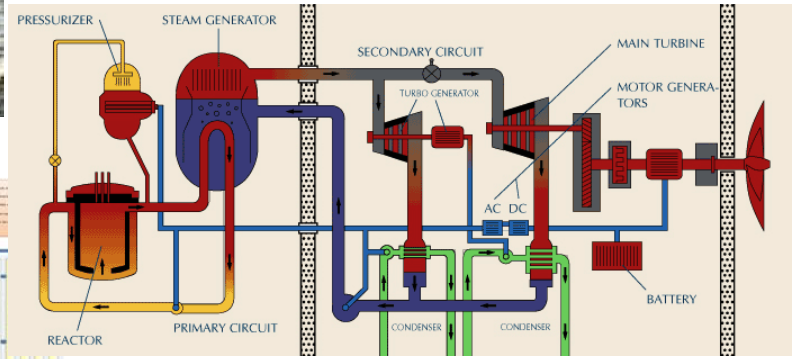
We are an independent company delivering professional systems engineering services and products to clients in government and industry

who do we work for?

systems engineering of complex systems



- evidence-based development
- e.g. information architecture, processes and tools for managing development of a next generation submarine nuclear propulsion plant



MoD – requirements management

- tools and processes for managing requirements and acceptance information across MoD

Network Rail – systems engineering tools

- software tools for managing requirements and assurance of investment programmes

Relationship with IBM

- IBM is an **Integrate** Premier Business Partner
  - provider of professional services in systems engineering
  - reseller of IBM Rational tools

- **Integrate** employees have over 20 years experience working with DOORS
  - QSS → Telelogic → **Integrate**

Evidence-based Development

EbD – Evidence-based Development

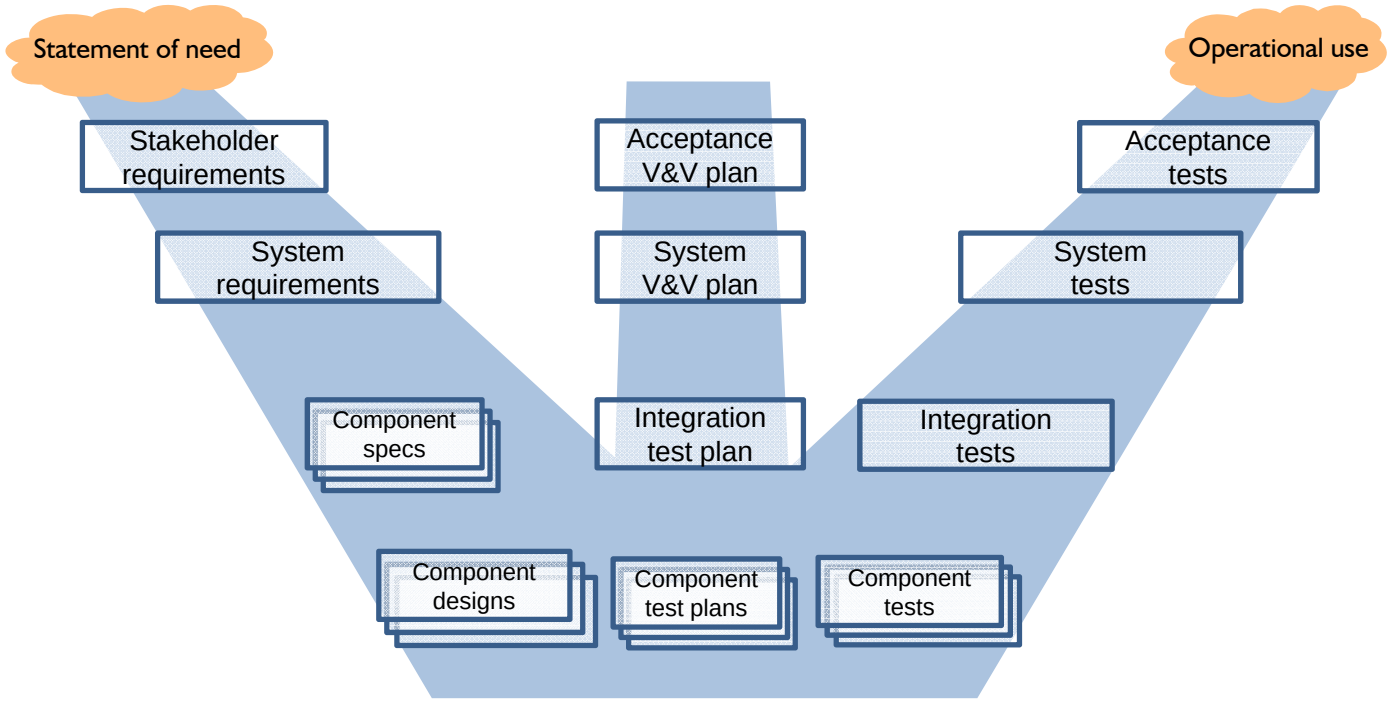
What is it?

- framework for collecting evidence for the correctness of a system as you design the system
- uses requirements traceability as the structure for establishing arguments and supporting evidence
- extends the structured argument paradigm to cover all kinds of requirement – not just safety
- gives ownership of assurance to every engineer

Objectives of EbD

- Connect the assurance case connected to the design
  - the assurance case should not be an “after-thought”
- Develop the assurance case early
  - in time to influence the design
  - in time to save costly rework late in the day
- Apply a uniform approach to all aspects of assurance
  - address all kinds of requirements: function, performance, ease-of-use, reliability, safety, ...
  - have a single point of reference for structured argumentation

The “W” model



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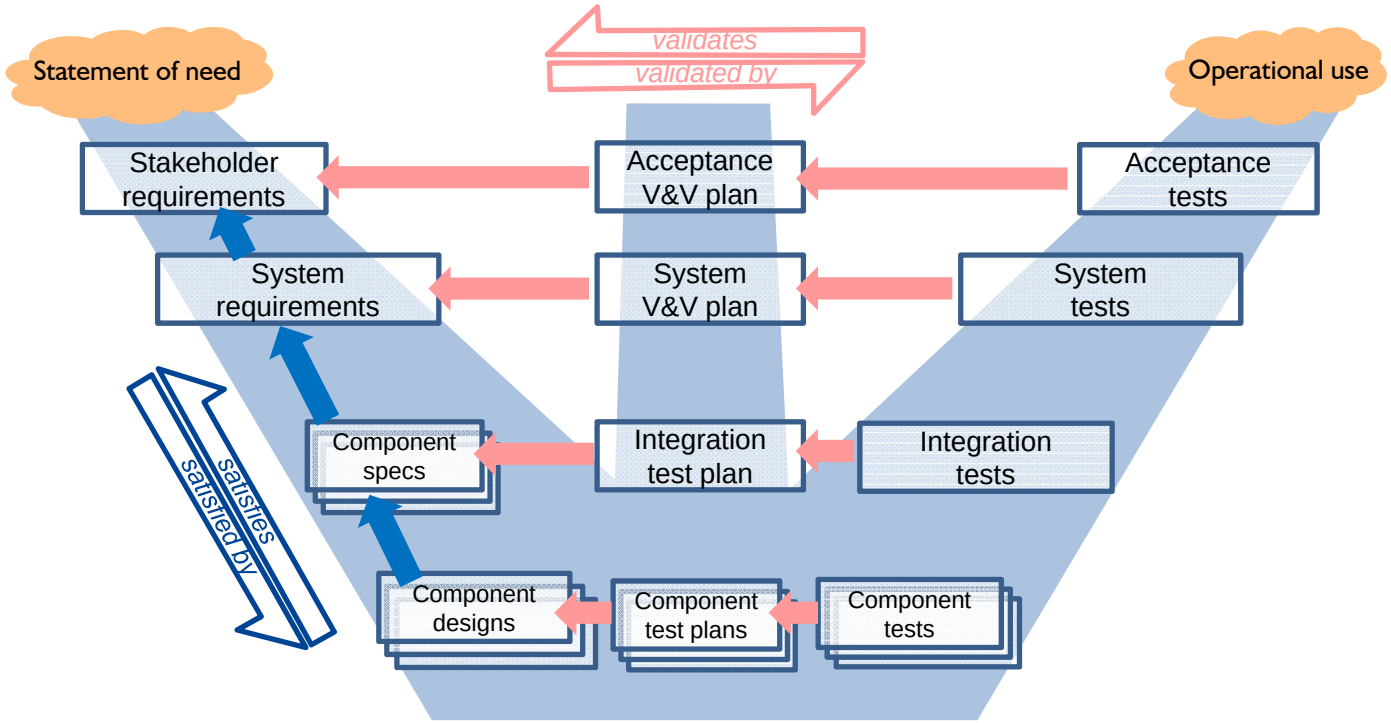

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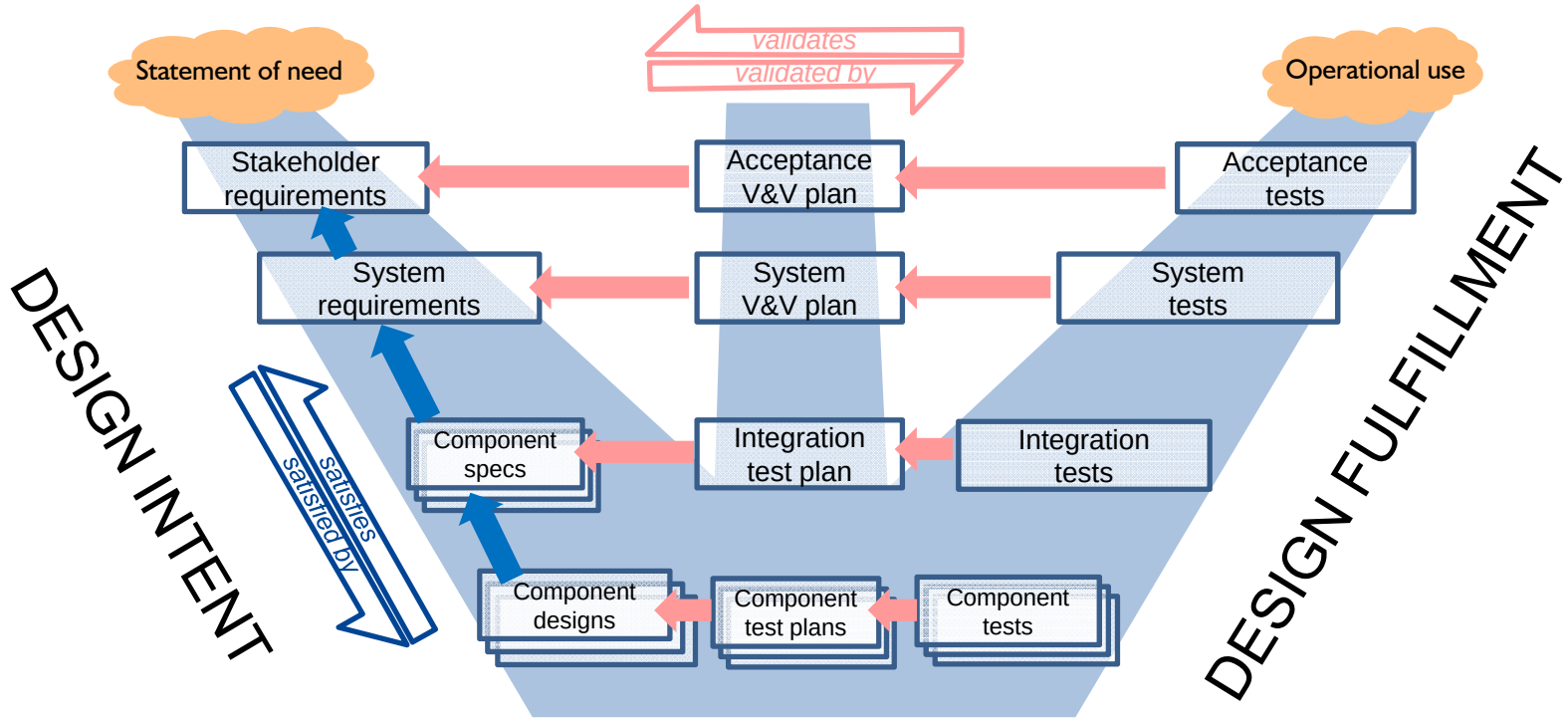

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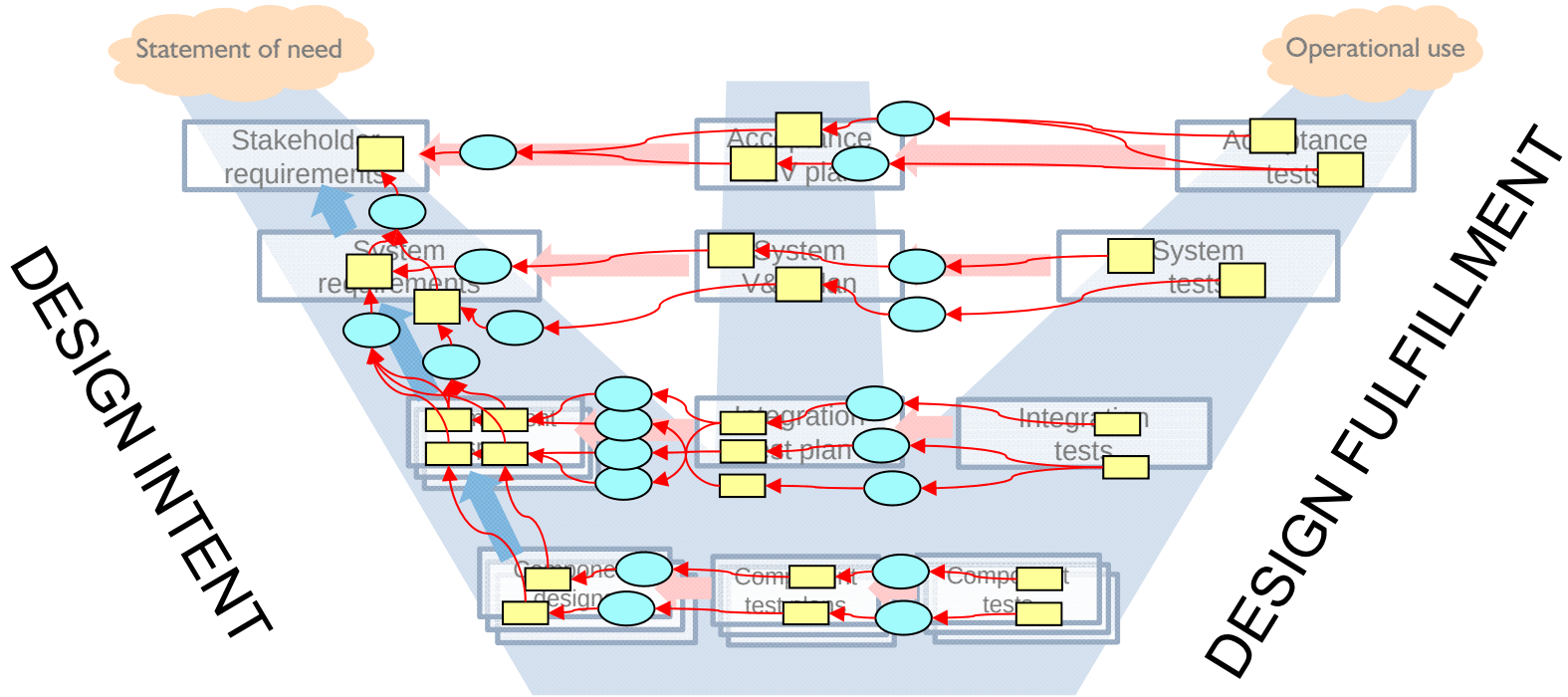

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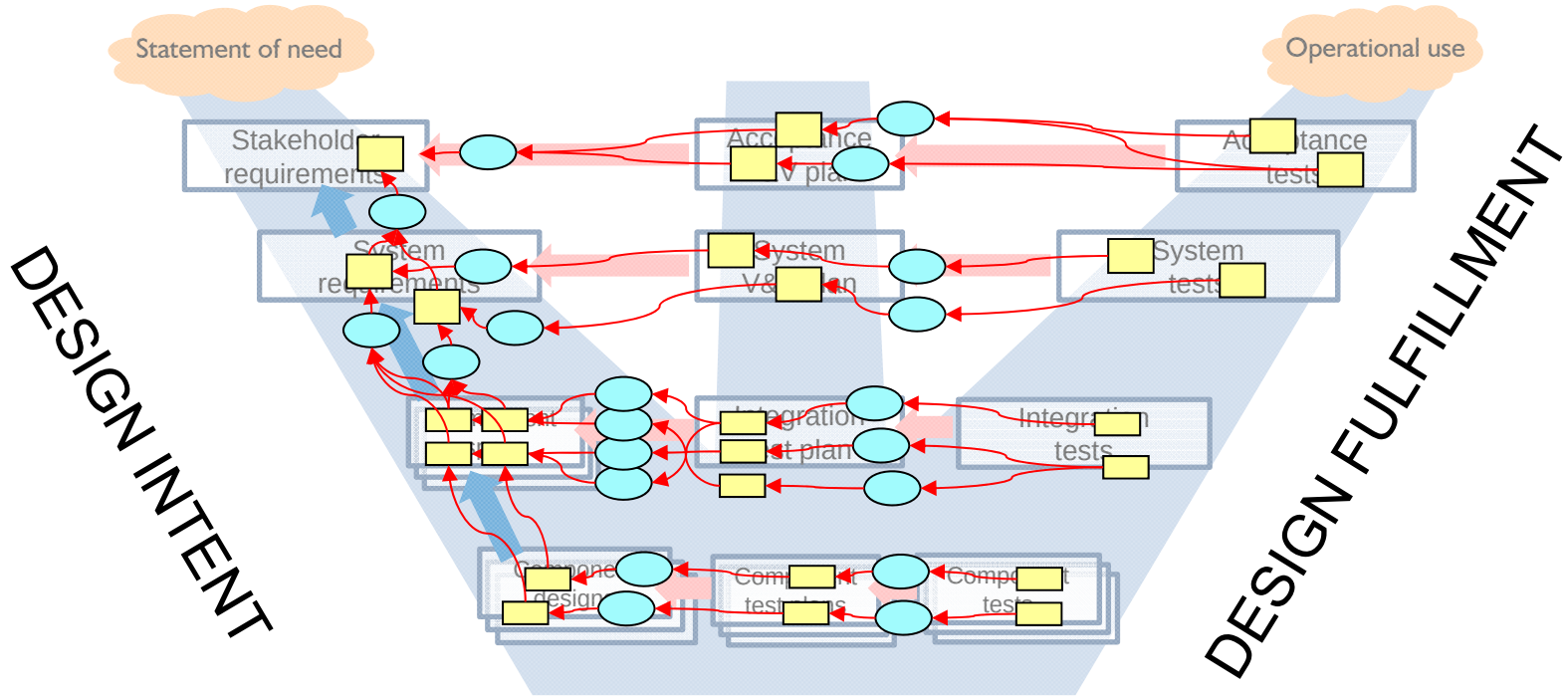
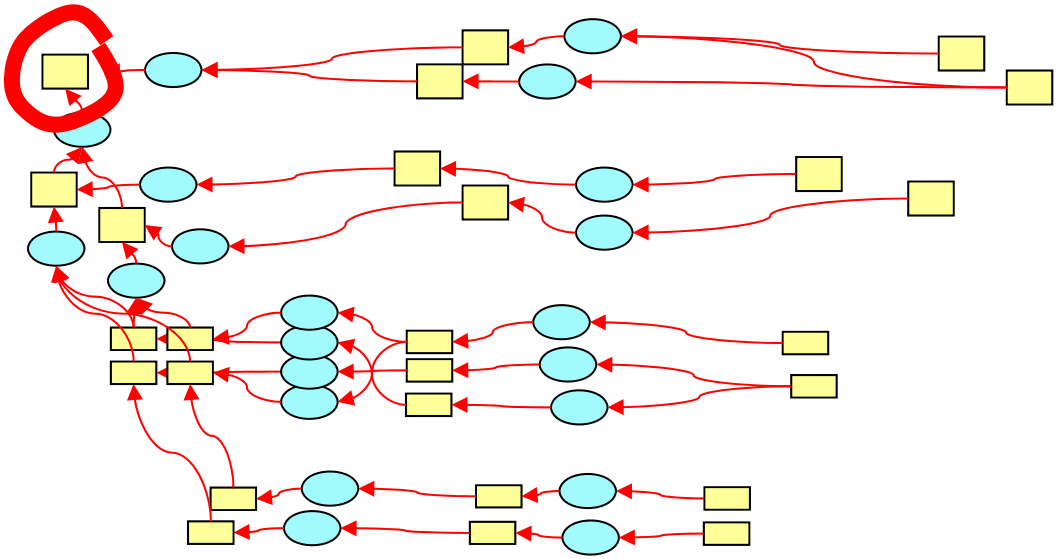
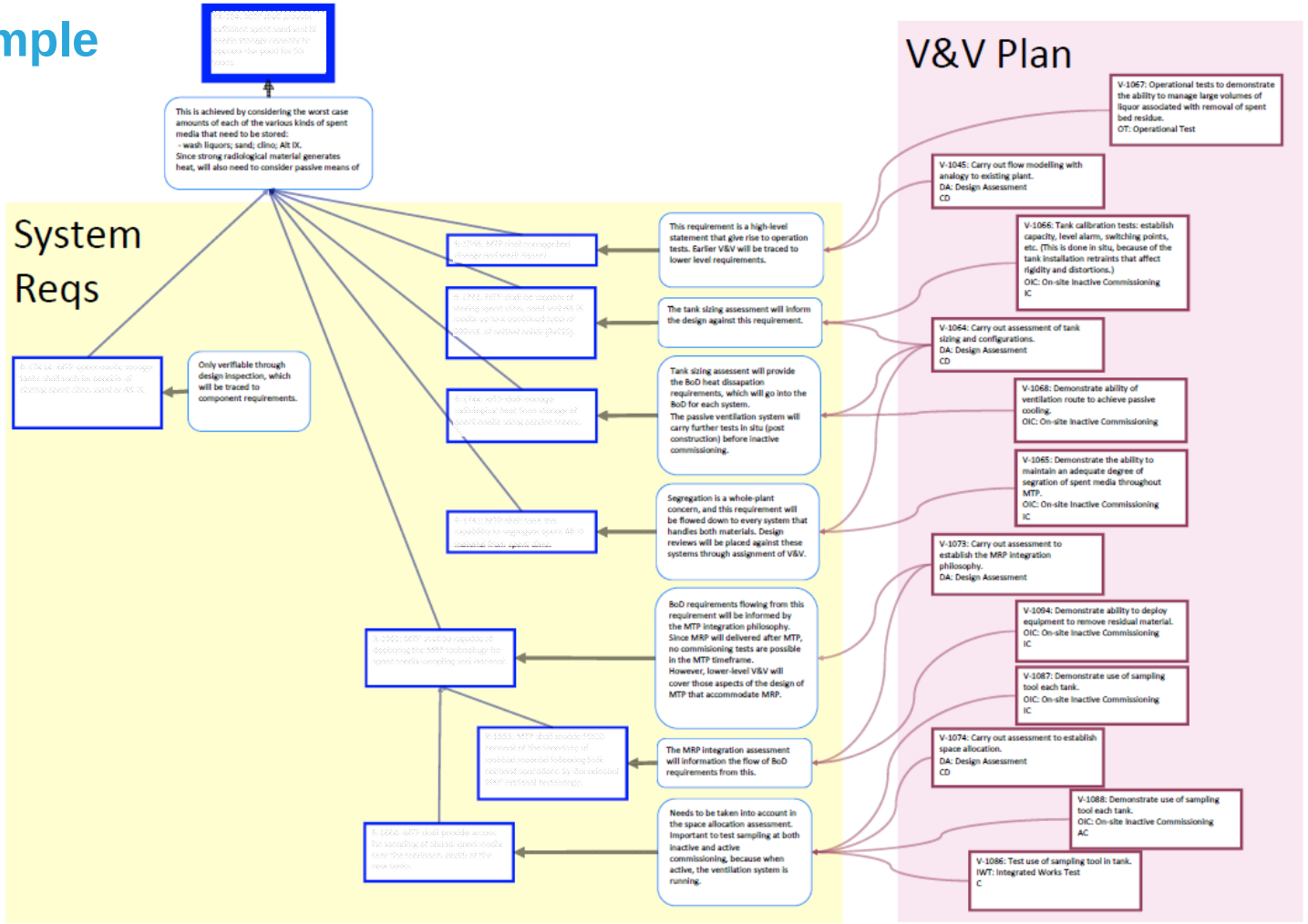


Assurance case for one requirement



EbD example



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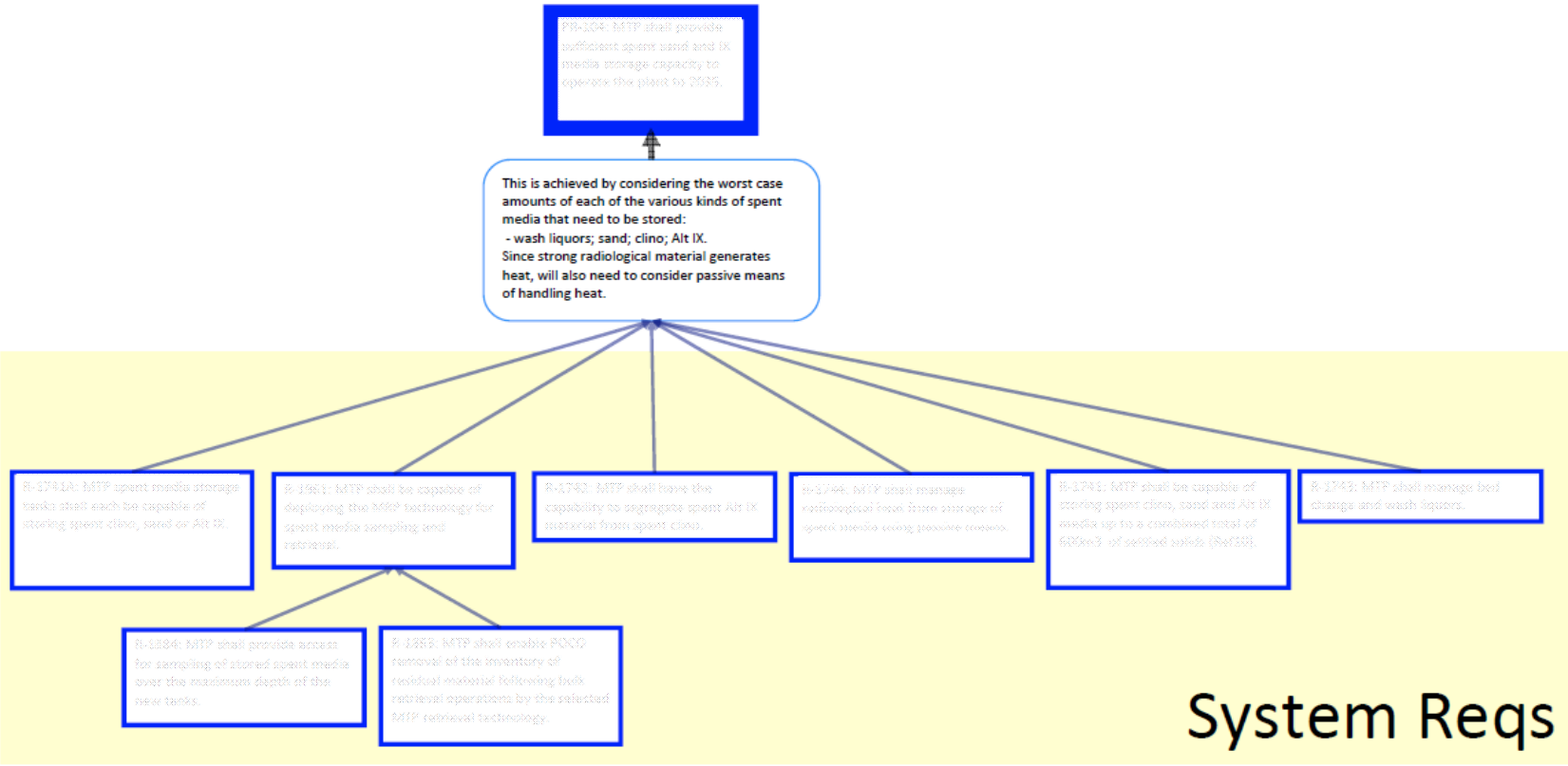

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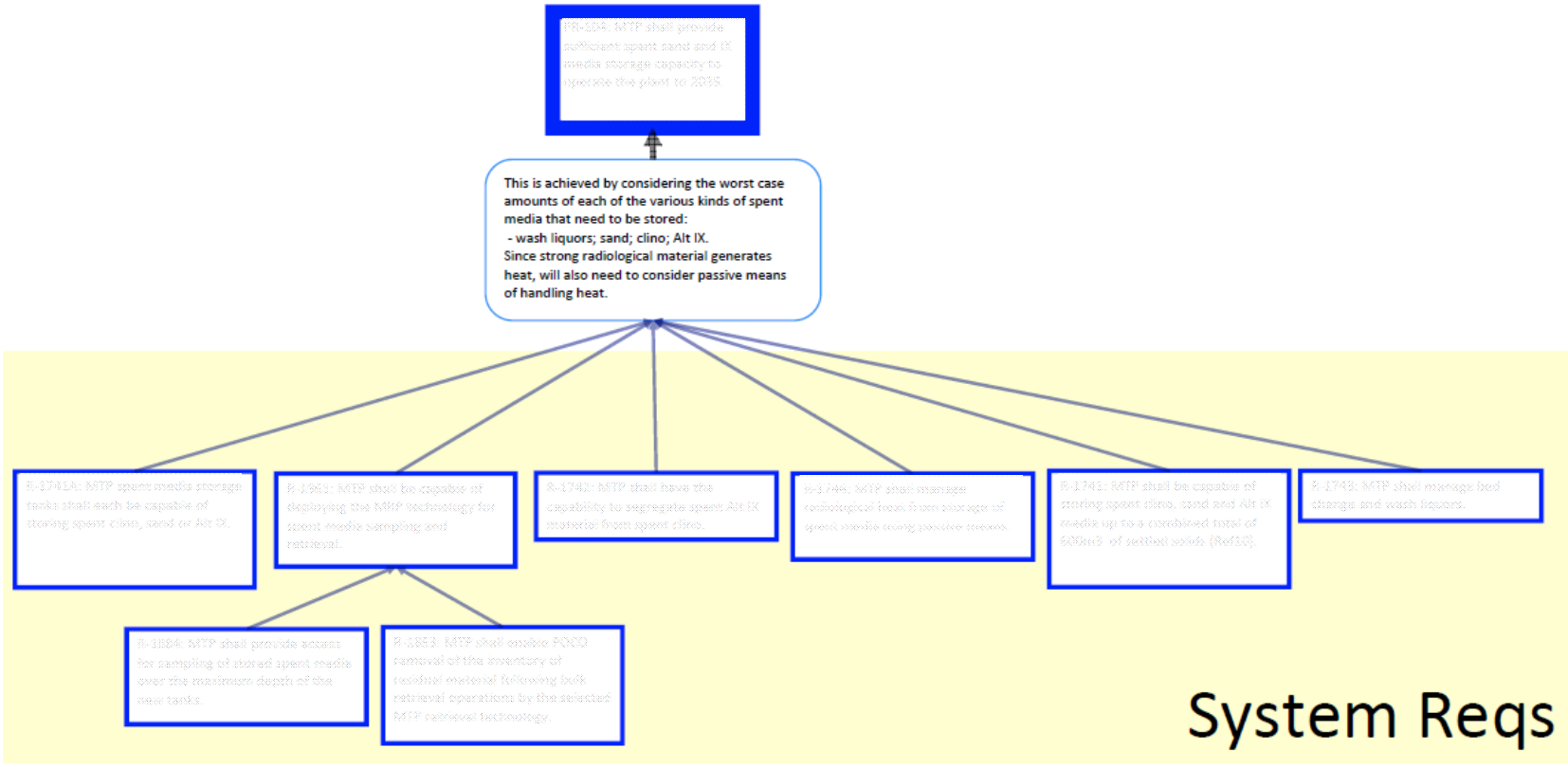

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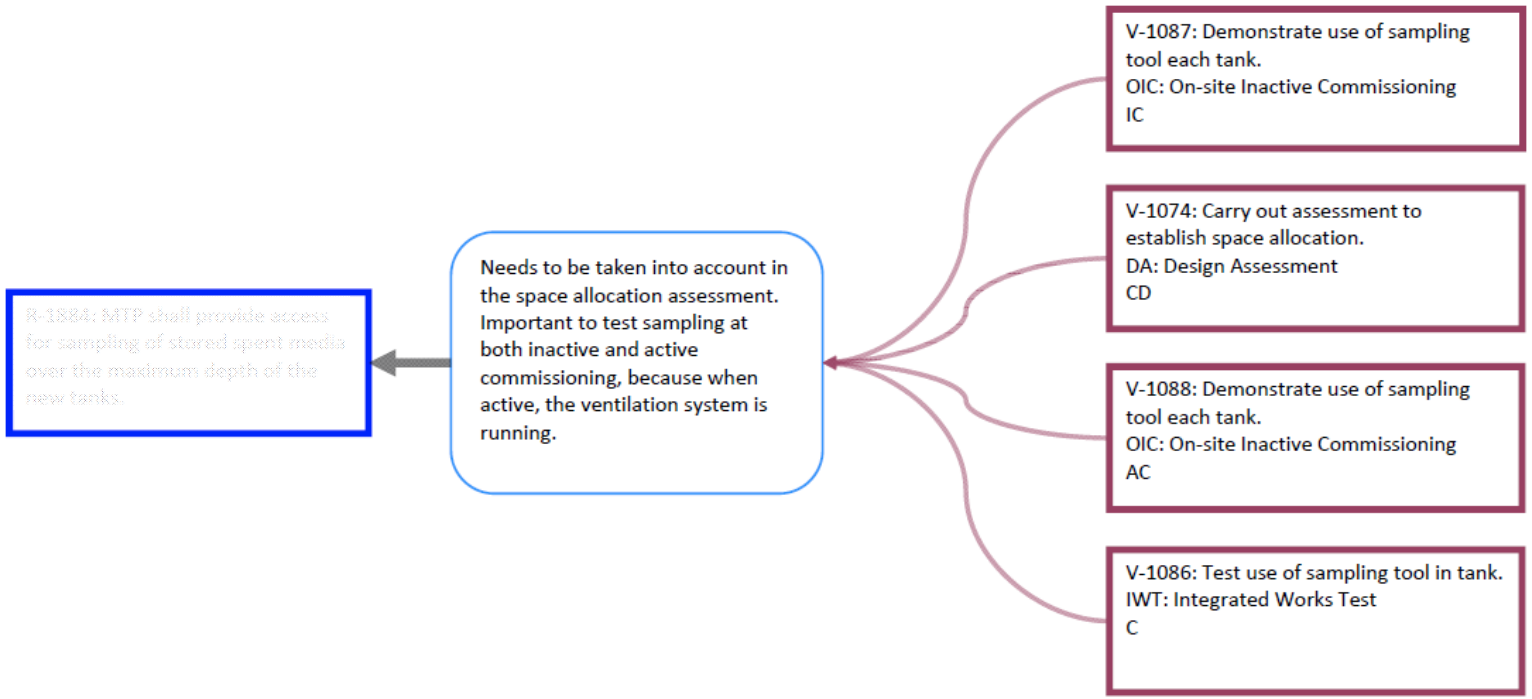

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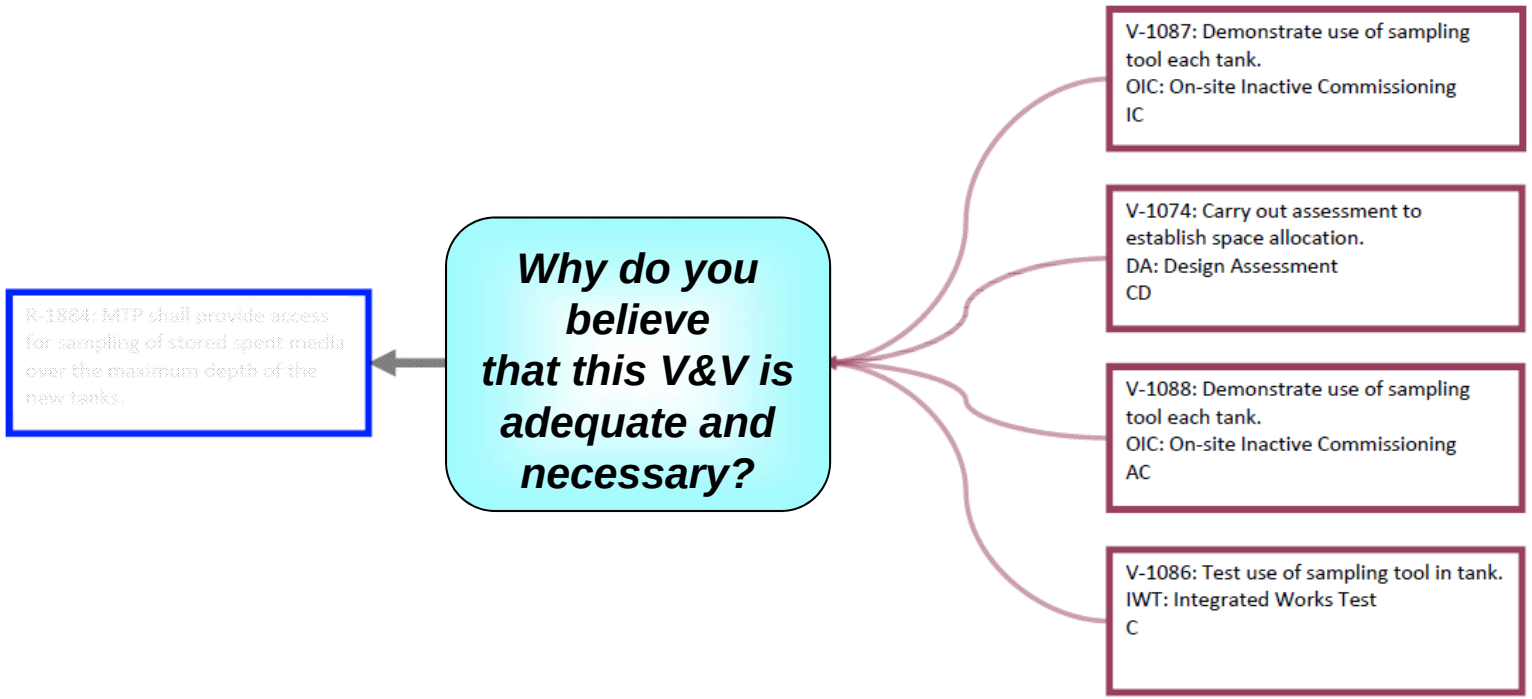

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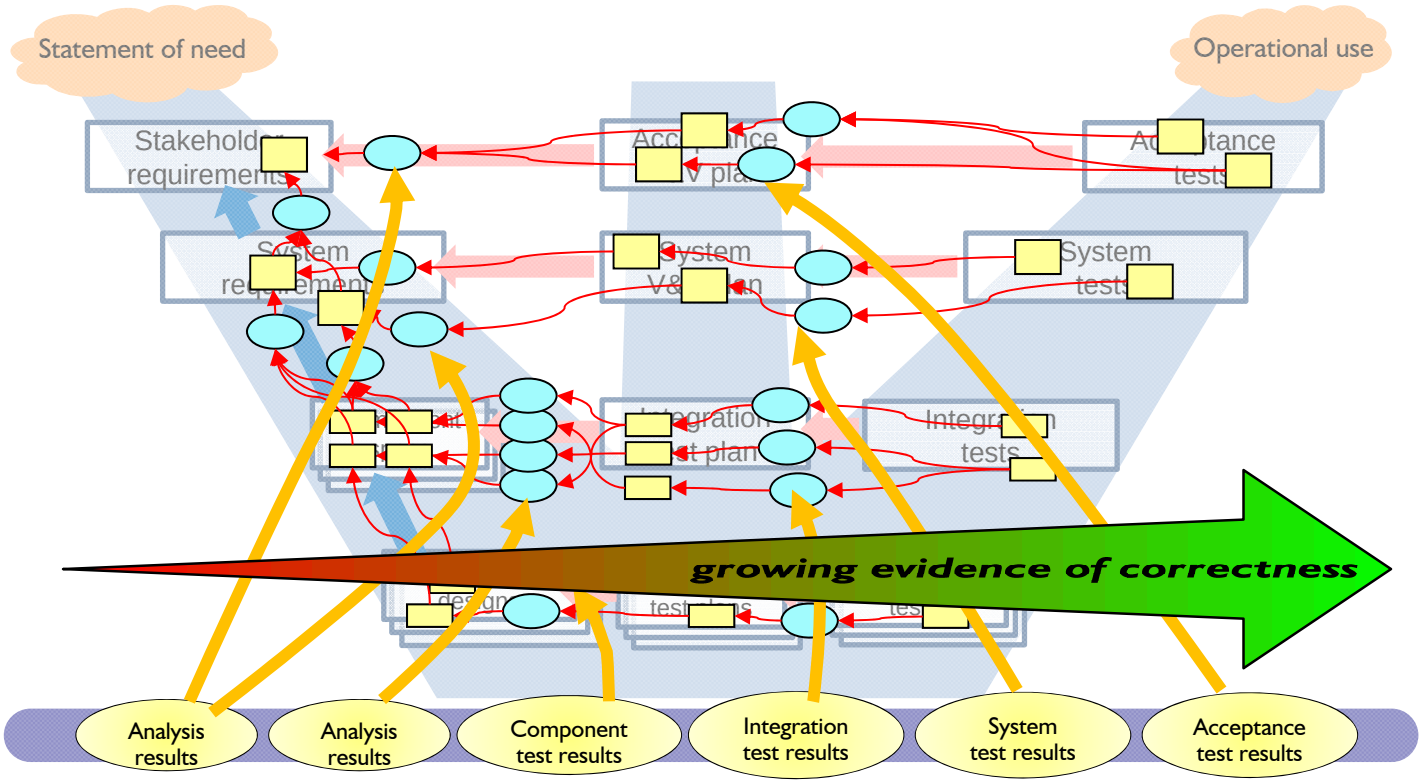
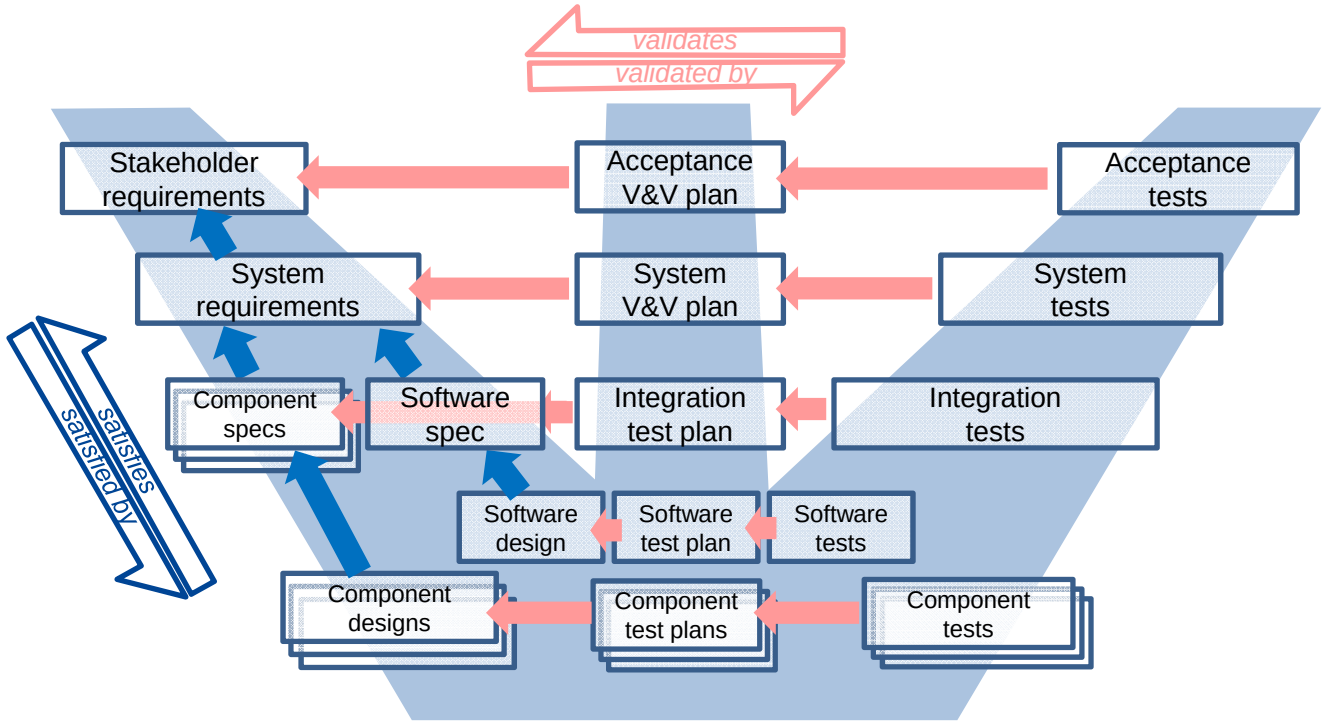


EbD scenario using the IBM Rational toolset

Example scenario: hard components and software



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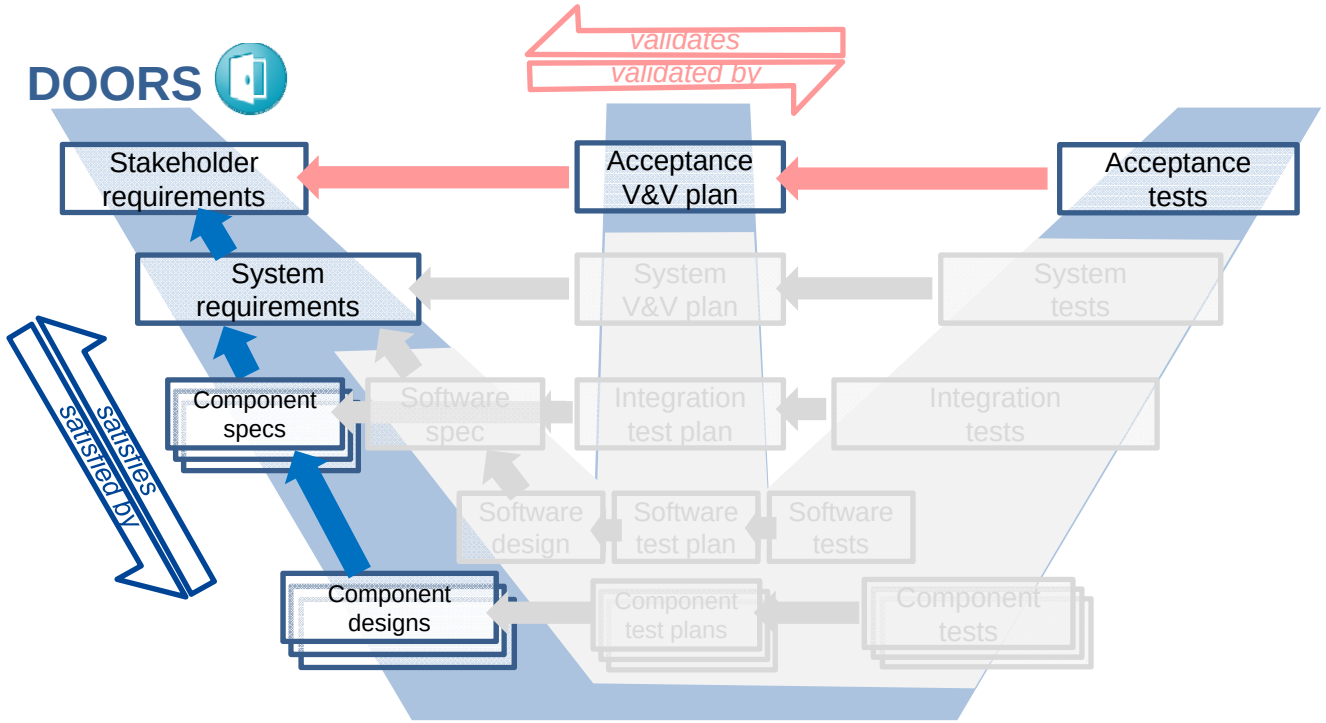
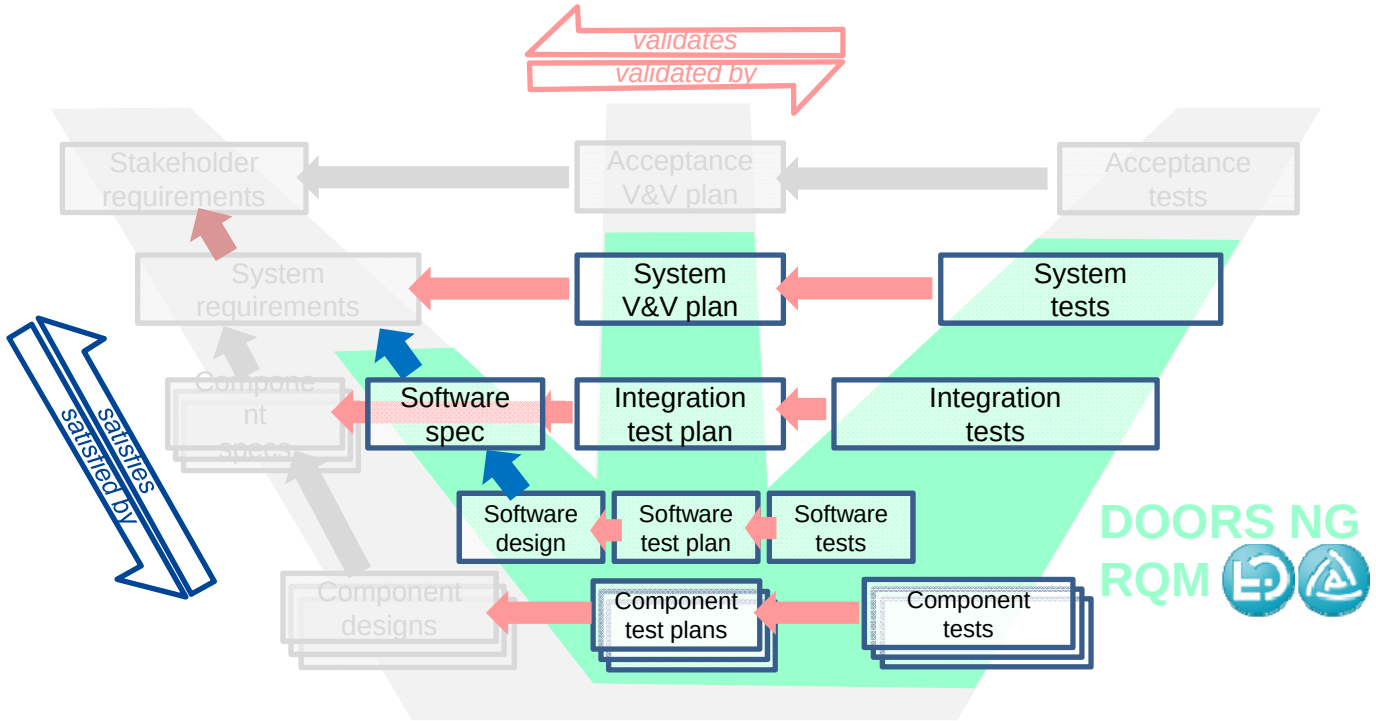
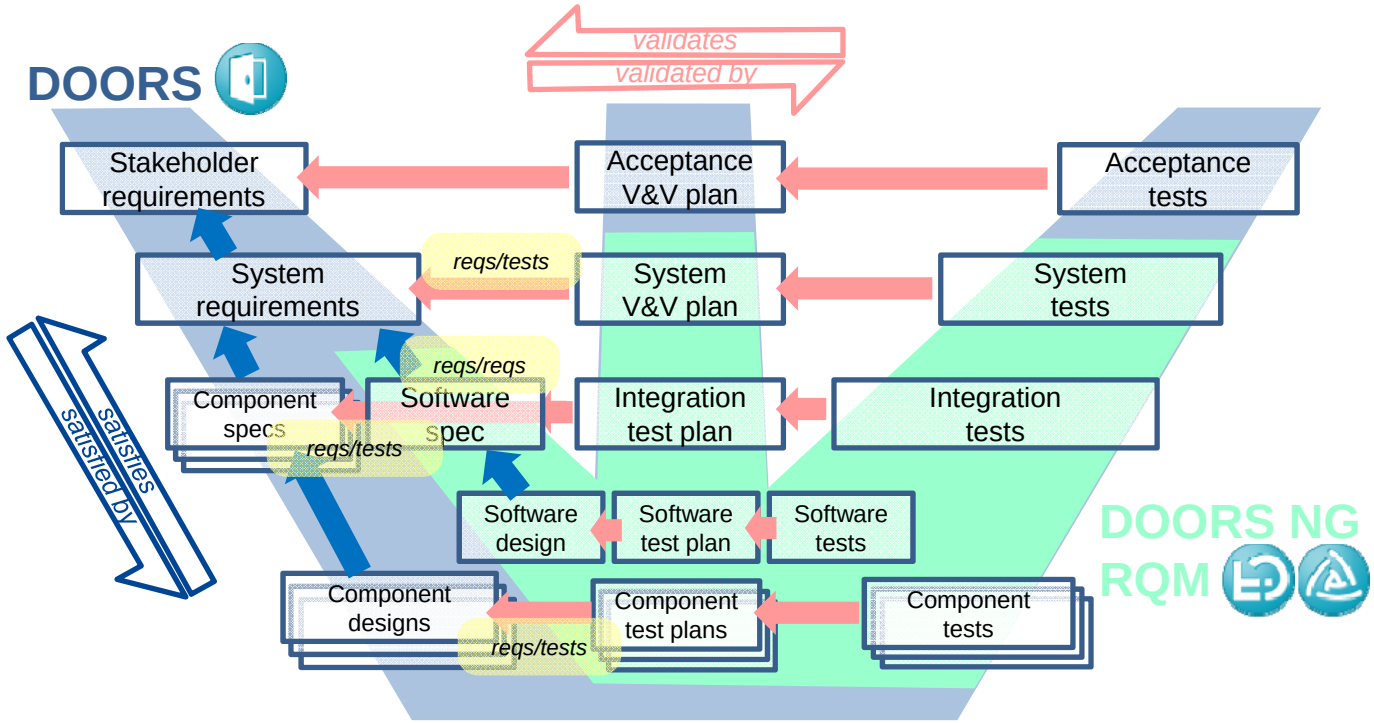


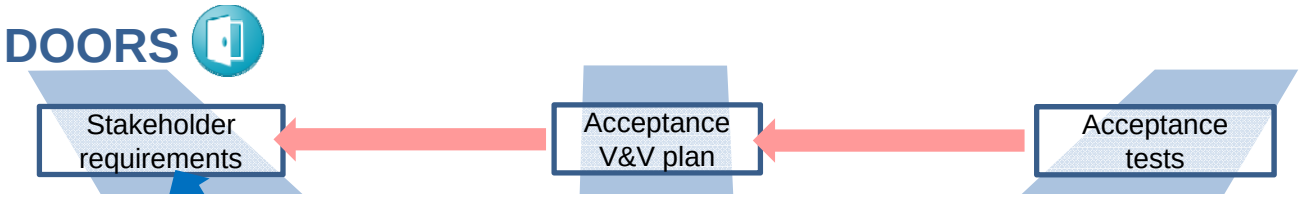
Example scenario: scope of what is managed in DOORS NG/RQM



Example scenario: cross tool linking

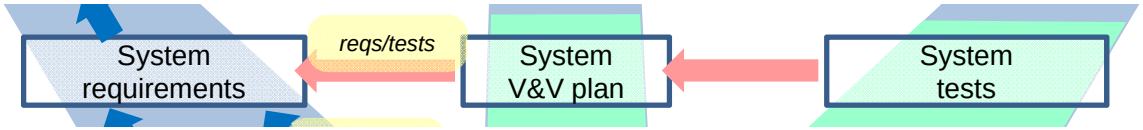


Example scenario: stakeholder layer



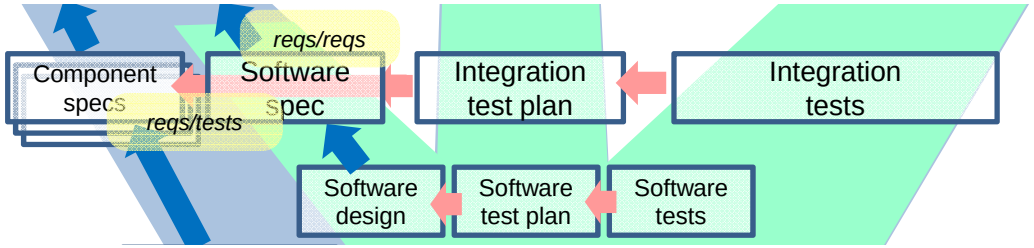
- Acceptance tests are broad-reaching
- No particular benefit in the formality offered by RQM
- Manage the acceptance plan and supporting evidence all in DOORS

Example scenario: system layer



- System test plan is more formal, but not automatable
- Use RQM with manual test scripts
- Use cross-tool linking between DOORS and RQM using OSLC

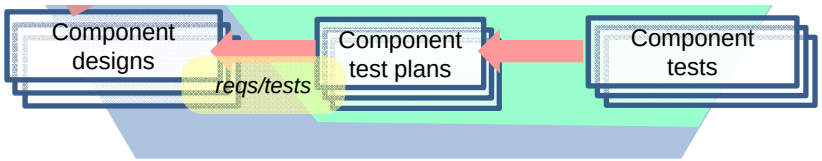
Example scenario: component specification layer



- Software benefits from RTC/RQM life-cycle and automated testing features
- Use DOORS NG and RQM with automated test scripts
- Use linking within Jazz between DOORS NG and RQM

- Non-software component specs in DOORS and RQM, like system tests

Example scenario: component design layer



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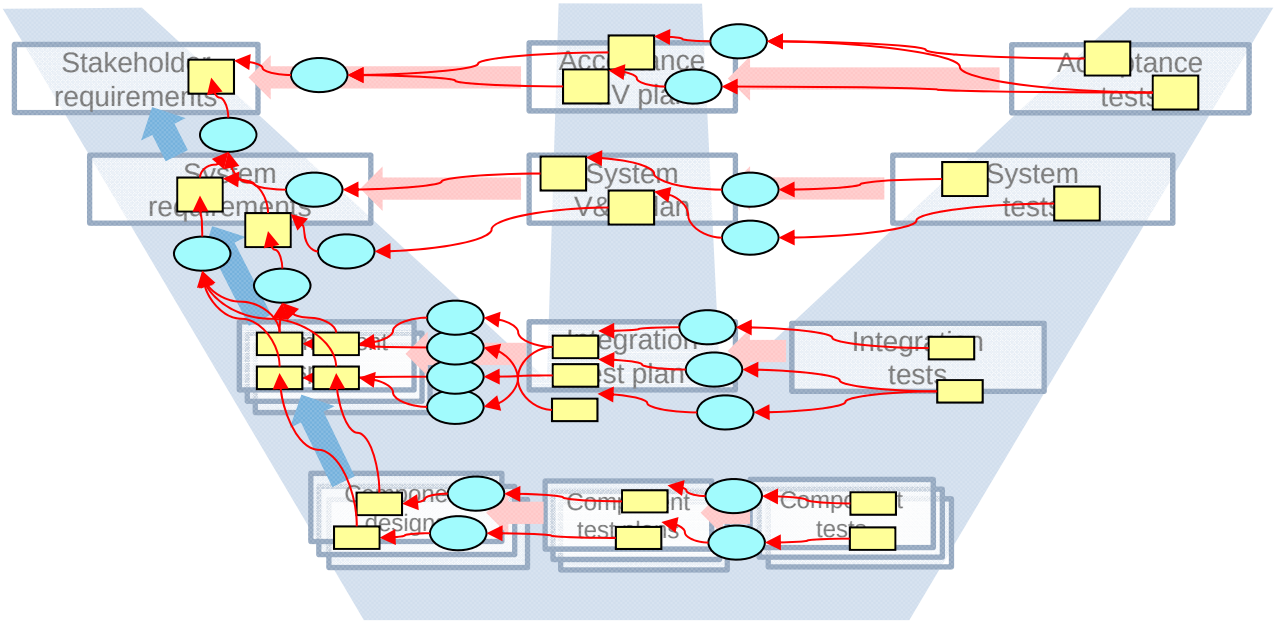
Example scenario: traceability relationale



- Rationale managed as attributes in DOORS and in DOORS NG
- Rationale managed as descriptive text in test cases in RQM

Cross-tool impact analysis

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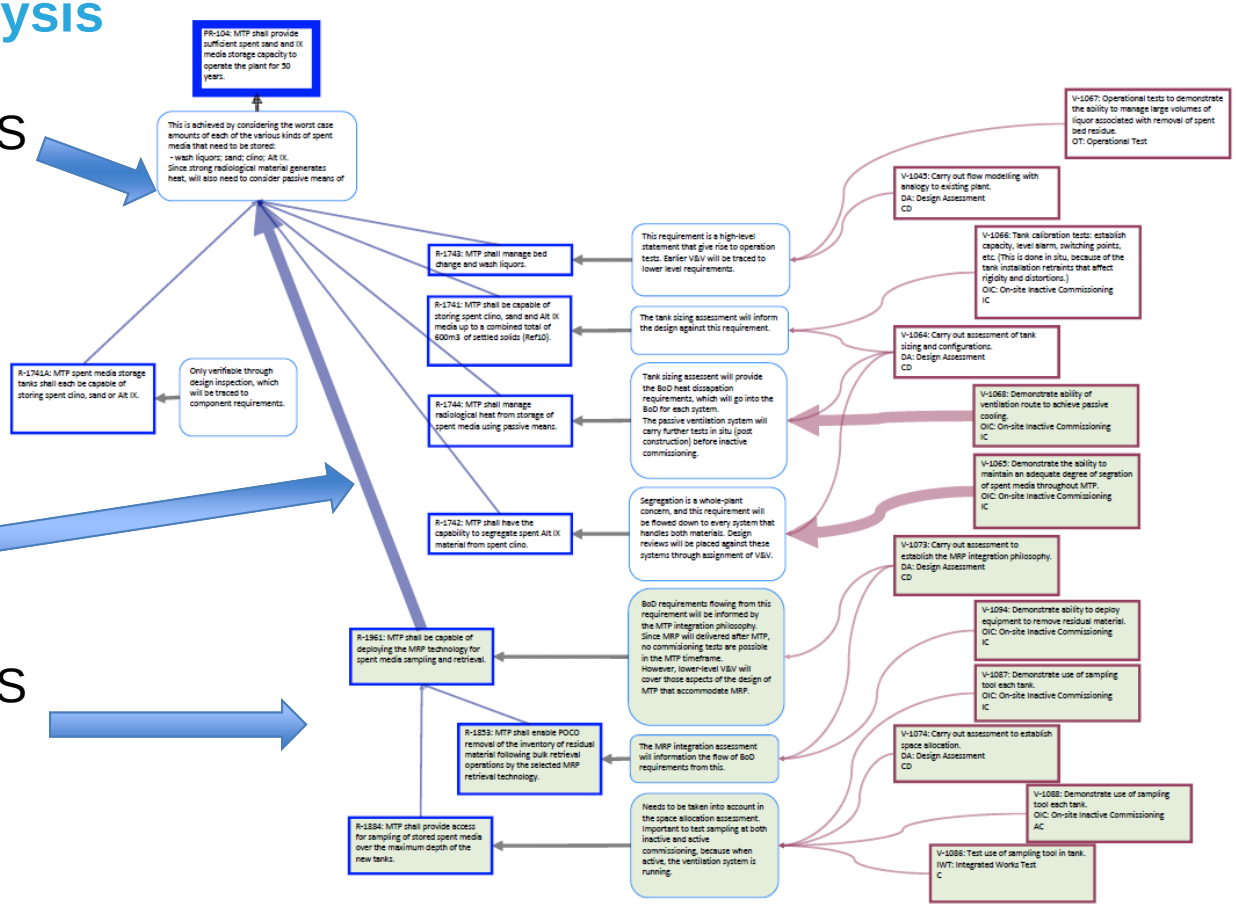
- cross-platform links
- data managed in DOORS NG and RQM



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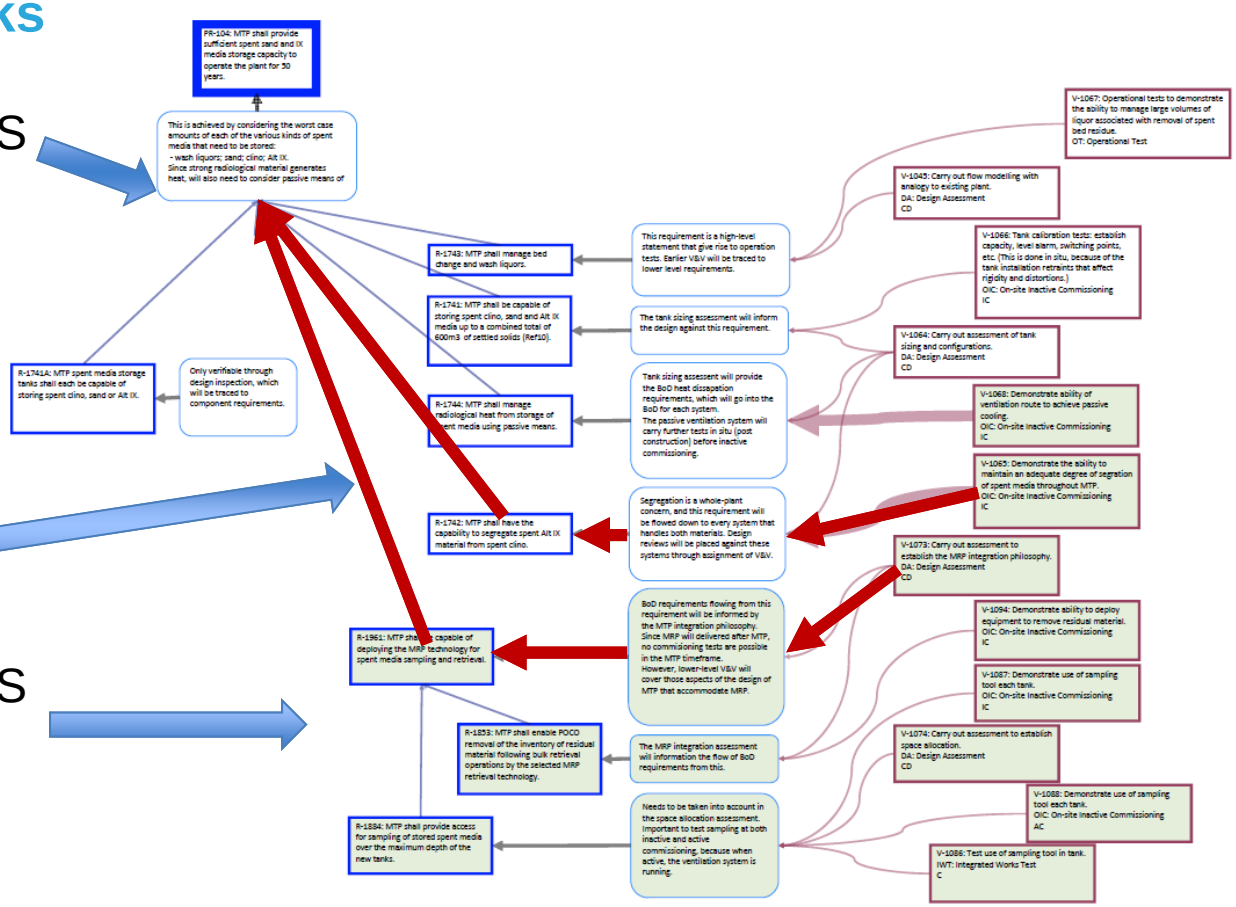

Summary

- Complex systems engineering scenarios can be supported by a combination of DOORS, DOORS NG and RQM
- Different layers of information may be best managed in different tools
  - DOORS for established systems engineering processes
  - DOORS NG where benefits come from wider toolset (e.g. agile software)
- Cross-platform linking allows for end-to-end traceability
- Suspect links will work across the tools
- Other forms of impact analysis may be a little fragmented

Thank You.