



DAVE-ML: The Proposed Implementation of the Simulation Model Exchange Standard

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Motivation



- Growth of teaming within aero industry
- Exponential increase in desktop compute power
- Increasing reliance on sim-based acquisition
- Emergence of web-based everything

- Medieval simulation technology hasn't kept pace



Why XML?

- Open standard (W3C)
- Transportable
- Human- and machine-readable UNICODE
- Programming language agnostic
- Same source used for detail design & pilot training
- Good fit for databases and models
- Archivable history of data with sources cited
- Transformable (->HTML, etc.)
- Lots of generic XML tools, editors, parsers
- XSLT



DAVE-ML features

- Non-linear function descriptions
 - Tabular (traditional aero models)
 - Unlimited dimensionality
 - Orthogonal or unstructured
 - Polynomial or exponential expressions
- Model build-up equations
- Units of measure
- Standard variable names
- Uncertainty bounds
- Provenance (history/source of data)
- Checkcase/verification data included

Current DAVE-ML limitations (opportunities!)



- Static models (dynamics not yet supported)
- Submodels not yet defined
- No native DAVE-ML editor
 - Implies hand-editing with generic text or XML editor

Existing DAVE-ML examples



Fighter subsonic aero model

- 51 variables, 18 tables, 744 points
- Switches & absolute value nonlinear elements
- 17 verification checkcases included
- 154 KB file with 2,712 lines

Concept development lifting body aero model

- Supersonic and subsonic regimes
- 361 variables, 168 tables, 6,240 points
- 24 verification checkcases included
- 1.2 MB file with 22,299 lines





Existing (known) DAVE-ML resources

- DAVE-ML Reference manual (website)
- JANUS (C++ library)
 - Australian DSTO/Ball Aerospace
- NASA Ames FTP tool (import/export Perl scripts)
- NAVAIR's CASTLE sim shell (latest release)
- XSLT conversion script
 - DAVE-ML => XHTML
- DAVEtools (Java packages):
 - DAVE-ML => Simulink



XSLT conversion script

- eXtensible Stylesheet Language Transformation
- XSLT scripts, themselves XML documents, specify how to convert XML-based files into other formats.
- 'DAVE_html.xsl' details a conversion from DAVE-ML XML file into an XHTML document
- Requires 'xerces' or similar XSLT tool
- Available for download =>
<http://daveml.nasa.gov>

DAVEml 0.53



- Two Java 1.4 packages
 - Base package, "DAVE"
 - Builds internal objects from DAVE-ML description
 - Performs auto-verification of model
 - Allows simple exercising of model
 - Simulink® export tool, "DAVE2SL" (built on DAVE)
 - Converts DAVE-ML models into Simulink blocks
- Java 1.4 source code available
 - Request public domain license via
<http://daveml.nasa.gov>

Janus API Library



- Geoff Brian slides



Quick demonstrations

- Generate HTML
- Generate Simulink® subsystem
- Exercise command line DAVEtool



DAVE-ML grammar

- Top-level syntax
- Specified by DAVEfunc.dtd Document Type Def
- Examples taken from reference manual for 1.7
- Reference manual available for download from
<http://daveml.nasa.gov> - see "DTDs"



Top-level syntax

- Top level-element is <DAVEfunc>

```
DAVEfunc :  
    fileHeader :  
    variableDef+ :  
    breakpointDef* :  
    griddedTableDef* :  
    ungriddedTableDef* :  
    function* :  
    checkData? :
```

Key: *element : attribute [optional attribute]
subelement
'+' means 1 or more; '*' means 0 or more; '?' means 0 or 1*



File header element

- Provides documentation trail for model

```
fileHeader : [name]
    author : name, org
    fileCreationDate : date
    fileVersion? :
    description? :
    reference* :
    modificationRecord* :
    provenance* :
```

Key: *element : attribute [optional attribute]*
subelement
'+' means 1 or more; '' means 0 or more; '?' means 0 or 1*



Example of fileHeader element

Opening of fileHeader element

```
<!--
<!-- ===== FILE HEADER ===== -->
<!--
```

Author information

```
<fileHeader>
  <author name="Bruce Jackson" org="NASA Langley Research Center"
    email="nospam@nasa.gov">
    <address>MS 132 NASA, Hampton, VA 23681</address>
  </author>
  <fileCreationDate date="2003-03-18"/>
  <fileVersion>$Revision: 1.24 $</fileVersion>
  <description>
    Version 2.0 aero model for HL-20 lifting body, as described in
    TM-107580. This aero model was used for HL-20 approach and
    landing studies at NASA Langley Research Center during 1989-1995
    and for a follow-on study at NASA Johnson Space Center in 1994
    and NASA Ames Research Center in 2001. This DAVE-ML version
    created 2003 by Bruce Jackson to demonstrate DAVE-ML.
  </description>
```

Model description subelement

```
<reference refID="REF01"
  author="Jackson, E. Bruce, Cruz, Christopher I. & Ragsdale, W. A."
  title="Real-Time Simulation Model of the HL-20 Lifting Body"
  accession="NASA TM-107580"
  date="1992-07-01"
/>
```

We define refID's here;
used elsewhere



fileHeader example, cont'd

```
<reference refID="REF02"  
author="Cleveland, William F."  
title="Possible Typo in HLCS"  
accession="email"  
date="2003-08-19"/>  
/>
```

```
<modificationRecord modID="A" refID="REF02">  
    <author name="Bruce Jackson" org="NASA Langley Research Center"  
          email="nospam@nasa.gov">  
        <address>MS 132 NASA, Hampton, VA 23681</address>  
    </author>  
    <description>  
        Revision 1.24: Fixed typo in CLRUDO function description which  
        gave dependent signal name as "CLRUD1." Bill Cleveland of NASA  
        Ames caught this in his xml2ftp script. Also made use of 1.5b2  
        fileHeader fields and changed date formats to comply with  
        convention.  
    </description>  
</modificationRecord>
```

```
</fileHeader>
```

Modification record defines modID for easy reference later, where modification has been applied

Note citation of refID

Ending fileHeader tag

Variable Definition element (variableDef)



- Used to define each variable used in the model
 - Includes inputs, outputs, constants, parameters and local (temporary) variables

```
variableDef : name, varID, units,  
             [axisSystem, sign, alias, symbol, initialValue]  
description? : (description character data)  
calculation? : math (defined in MathML2.0 DTD)  
isOutput? :  
isStdAIAA? :  
uncertainty? : effect (additive | multiplicative | percentage | absolute)  
                 (normalPDF : numSigmas | uniformPDF : symmetric )
```

Key: *element : attribute [optional attribute]*
subelement
'+' means 1 or more; '' means 0 or more; '?' means 0 or 1*

Standard
Name
flag

Example of variableDef for two input elements



Name for documentation

Symbol for documentation

Internal name

```
<!-- =====-->  
<!-- Input variables -->  
<!-- =====-->
```

```
<variableDef name="MachNumber" varID="XMACH" units="" symbol="M">  
  <description>  
    Mach number (dimensionless)  
  </description>  
  <isStdAIAA/>  
</variableDef>
```

Sign convention

```
<variableDef name="dbfll" varID="DBFLL" units="deg" sign="ted" symbol="∂bfll">  
  <description>  
    Lower left body flap deflection, deg, +TED (so deflections are  
    always zero or positive).  
  </description>  
</variableDef>
```

Units

Note UNICODE symbol



Example of local variable definition

Simple definition; used later

```
<!-- PRELIMINARY BUILDUP EQUATIONS -->  
  
<!-- LOWER LEFT BODY FLAP CONTRIBUTIONS -->  
  
<!-- table output signal -->  
  <variableDef name="Clfdbfl1_0" varID="CRBFLL0" units="">  
    <description>  
      Output of CRBFLL0 function; rolling moment contribution of  
      lower left body flap deflection due to alpha^0 (constant  
      term).  
    </description>  
  </variableDef>
```



A more complex variable definition

```
<!-- lower left body flap lift buildup -->
<variableDef name="CLdbfll" varID="CLBFLL" units="">
    <description>
        Lift contribution of lower left body flap deflection
        CLdbfll = CLdbfll_0 + alpha*(CLdbfll_1 + alpha*(CLdbfll_2 + alpha*CLdbfll_3))
    </description>
    <calculation>
        <math>
            <apply>
                <plus/>
                <ci>CLBFLL0</ci>
            <apply>
                <times/>
                <ci>ALP</ci>
            <apply>
                <plus/>
                <ci>CLBFLL1</ci>
            <apply>
                <times/>
                <ci>ALP</ci>
            <apply>
                <plus/>
                <ci>CLBFLL2</ci>
            <apply>
                <times/>
                <ci>ALP</ci>
            <apply>
                <plus/>
                <ci>CLBFLL3</ci>
            </apply> <!-- a*c3 -->
            </apply> <!-- (c2 + a*c3) -->
            </apply> <!-- a*(c2 + a*c3) -->
            </apply> <!-- (c1 + a*(c2 + a*c3)) -->
            </apply> <!-- a*(c1 + a*(c2 + a*c3)) -->
            </apply> <!-- c0 + a*(c1 + a*(c2 + a*c3)) -->
        </math>
    </calculation>
</variableDef>
```

This MathML2 encodes:

$$C_{L\partial BFLL} = C_{L\partial BFLL0} + \alpha C_{L\partial BFLL1} \\ + \alpha^2 C_{L\partial BFLL2} + \alpha^3 C_{L\partial BFLL3}$$



An output variable definition

```
<!-- ===== -->
<!-- Output variables -->
<!-- ===== -->

<variableDef name="CL" varID="CL" units="" sign="up" symbol="CL">
  <description>
    Coefficient of lift
    CL = CL0 + CLBFUL + CLBFUR + CLBFLL + CLBFLR +
          CLWFL + CLWFR + CLRUD + CLGE + CLLG
  </description>
  <calculation>
    <math>
      <apply>
        <plus/>
        <ci>CL0</ci>
        <ci>CLBFUL</ci>
        <ci>CLBFUR</ci>
        <ci>CLBFLL</ci>
        <ci>CLBFLR</ci>
        <ci>CLWFL</ci>
        <ci>CLWFR</ci>
        <ci>CLRUD</ci>
        <ci>CLGE</ci>
        <ci>CLLG</ci>
      </apply>
    </math>
  </calculation>
  <isOutput/>
</variableDef>
```

Normal variableDef preamble

Sum of inputs

Output flag

Breakpoint set definition element (breakpointDef)



- Used to define a common set of independent variable values associated with one or more tables of function data

```
breakpointDef : bpID, [name, units]
                description? : (description character data)
                bpVals : (list of comma-separated set of breakpoint values)
```

Key: *element : attribute [optional attribute]*
subelement
'+' means 1 or more; '' means 0 or more; '?' means 0 or 1*



Two examples of breakpointDef elements

Breakpoint values

Breakpoint ID

```
=====  
==== BREAKPOINT SETS =====  
=====  
<breakpointDef name="Mach" bpID="XMACH1 PTS" units="">  
  <description>  
    Mach number breakpoints for all aero data tables  
  </description>  
  <bpVals>  
    0.3, 0.6, 0.8, 0.9, 0.95, 1.1, 1.2, 1.6, 2.0, 2.5,  
  </bpVals>  
</breakpointDef>
```

Breakpoint ID

```
<breakpointDef name="Lower body flap" bpID="DBFL PTS" units="deg">  
  <description>Lower body flap deflections breakpoints for tables</description>  
  <bpVals>0., 15., 30., 45., 60.</bpVals>  
</breakpointDef>
```

Breakpoint values



Gridded function table definition

- Defines nonlinear function dependent values

```
griddedTableDef : [gtID, name, units]
    description? : (description character data)
    provenance? :
        author : name, org, [xns, email]
        address? : (address character data)
    functionCreationDate
    documentRef* : docID
    modificationRef* : modID
    breakpointRefs :
        bpRef+ : bpID
    uncertainty? : effect (additive | multiplicative | percentage | absolute)
        (normalPDF : numSigmas | uniformPDF : symmetric )
    dataTable : (list of comma-separated set of table values)
```

Key: *element : attribute [optional attribute]*
subelement
'+' means 1 or more; '*' means 0 or more; '?' means 0 or 1



Example of griddedTableDef

Header information

```
<griddedTableDef name="CLBFL0" gtID="CLBFL0_table">
  <description>
    Lower body flap contribution to lift coefficient, polynomial constant term
  </description>
  <provenance>
    <author name="Bruce Jackson" org="NASA Langley Research Center"/>
    <functionCreationDate date="2003-01-31"/>
    <documentRef docID="REF01"/>
  </provenance>
  <breakpointRefs>
    <bpRef bpID="DBFL PTS"/>
    <bpRef bpID="XMACH1 PTS"/>
  </breakpointRefs>
  <dataTable> <!-- last breakpoint changes most rapidly -->
    <!-- CLBFL0 POINTS -->
    <!-- DBFL = 0.0 -->
    0.00000E+00 , 0.00000E+00 , 0.00000E+00 , 0.00000E+00 , 0.00000E+00 ,
    0.00000E+00 , 0.00000E+00 , 0.00000E+00 , 0.00000E+00 , 0.00000E+00 ,
    0.00000E+00 , 0.00000E+00 , 0.00000E+00 ,
    <!-- DBFL = 15.0 -->
    -0.86429E-02 ,-0.10256E-01 ,-0.11189E-01 ,-0.12121E-01 ,-0.13520E-01 ,
    -0.86299E-02 ,-0.53679E-02 , 0.76757E-02 , 0.11300E-01 , 0.62992E-02 ,
    0.51902E-02 , 0.38813E-02 , 0.37366E-02 , etc.
  </dataTable>
</griddedTableDef>
```

Breakpoint set references

Data set values



An aside about table ordering...

- The appearance of tables in DAVE-ML files can be confusing, in that they appear to be 2-dimensional
- In actuality, the values are a vector of the 'unraveled' n-dimensional tables with last index changing fastest
- Example: given $C_L = C_L(\alpha, M, \delta f)$, value sequence is
 - <datatable>
 - $C_L(\alpha_1, M_1, \delta f_1), C_L(\alpha_1, M_1, \delta f_2), \dots C_L(\alpha_1, M_1, \delta f_n),$
 - $C_L(\alpha_1, M_2, \delta f_1), C_L(\alpha_1, M_2, \delta f_2), \dots C_L(\alpha_1, M_2, \delta f_n),$
 - $C_L(\alpha_1, M_m, \delta f_1), C_L(\alpha_1, M_m, \delta f_2), \dots C_L(\alpha_1, M_m, \delta f_n),$
 - $C_L(\alpha_2, M_1, \delta f_1), \dots$
 - </datatable>
- Line breaks can occur anywhere - they are unimportant



Aside - table ordering (cont'd)

- Previous example could also be encoded

```
<datatable>
```

```
    CL(α1, M1, δf1), CL(α1, M1, δf2), ...
```

```
    CL(α1, M1, δfn), CL(α1, M2, δf1),
```

```
    CL(α1, M2, δf2), ... CL(α1, M2, δfn),
```

```
    CL(α1, Mm, δf1),
```

```
    CL(α1, Mm, δf2), ... CL(α1, Mm, δfn),
```

```
    CL(α2, M1, δf1), ...
```

```
</datatable>
```



Aside - table ordering (concluded)

- Order of <bpRefs> in <breakpointRefs> element **is important!**

- In previous example, order would have to be

```
<breakpointRefs>
    <bpRef bpID="ALPHA PTS" />
    <bpRef bpID="MACH PTS" />
    <bpRef bpID="DELTA_FLAP PTS" />
</breakpointRefs>
```

...so interpreter will know which breakpoint set to associate with which dimension of this function table.

- This is one of the few places in DAVE-ML where order is important.



Function definition element

- This element ties breakpoint sets to tables
- Several different syntaxes; below is most common

```
function : name
    description? : (description character data)
    provenance? :
    independentVarRef+ : varID, [min, max, extrapolate]
    dependentVarRef : varID
    functionDefn : [name]
    griddedTableRef : gtID
```

Key: *element : attribute [optional attribute]*
subelement
'+' means 1 or more; '*' means 0 or more; '?' means 0 or 1



Example of function element

```
<!-- ===== -->
<!-- Lower left body flap functions -->
<!-- ===== -->

<function name="CLBFLL0">
  <description>
    Lower left body flap lookup function for lift, polynomial constant term.
  </description>
  <independentVarRef varID="DBFLL" min="0.0" max="60." extrapolate="neither"/>
  <independentVarRef varID="XMACH" min="0.3" max="4.0" extrapolate="neither"/>
  <dependentVarRef varID="CLBFLL0"/>
  <functionDefn name="CLBFLO_fn">
    <griddedTableRef gtID="CLBFLO_table"/>
  </functionDefn>
</function>
```

We define a function CLBFLO_fn to be

$$\text{CLBFLO_fn} = \text{CLBFLO_fn(DBFLL, XMACH)}$$

with limits on input values and no extrapolation



Verification data (checkData) element

Contains input/output vector pairs (time slices)

```
checkData :  
    staticShot* : name [refID]  
        checkInputs :  
            signal* :  
                signalName :  
                [signalUnits :]  
                signalValue :  
        checkOutputs :  
            signal* :  
                signalName :  
                [signalUnits :]  
                signalValue :  
                tol :
```

Key: *element : attribute [optional attribute]*
subelement
'+' means 1 or more; '*' means 0 or more; '?' means 0 or 1

Checkcase identifier

Checkcase input vector



name

```
<checkcase +a>
<staticsList name="Nominal" refID="NOTE1">
  <checkInputs>
    <signal>
      <signalName>True_Airspeed_f_p_s</signalName>
      <signalUnits>ft/sec</signalUnits>
      <signalValue> 300.000</signalValue>
    </signal>
    <signal>
      <signalName>Angle_of_Attack_deg</signalName>
      <signalUnits>deg</signalUnits>
      <signalValue> 5.000</signalValue>
    </signal>
    <signal>
      <signalName>s_Body_Pitch_Rate_rad_p_s</signalName>
      <signalUnits>rad/sec</signalUnits>
      <signalValue> 0.000</signalValue>
    </signal>
    <signal>
      <signalName>delta_elevator</signalName>
      <signalUnits>deg</signalUnits>
      <signalValue> 0.000</signalValue>
    </signal>
    .
    .
    .
  </checkInputs>
.
.
.
```

units

value



Example checkData element (cont'd)

Checkcase output vector

```
.  
. .  
  
<checkOutputs>  
  <signal>  
    <signalName>CX</signalName>  
    <signalValue>-0.00400000000000</signalValue>  
    <tol>0.000001</tol>  
  </signal>  
  <signal>  
    <signalName>CZ</signalName>  
    <signalValue>-0.41600000000000</signalValue>  
    <tol>0.000001</tol>  
  </signal>  
  <signal>  
    <signalName>CLM</signalName>  
    <signalValue>-0.04660000000000</signalValue>  
    <tol>0.000001</tol>  
  </signal>  
  .  
  :   (other output values & tolerances)  
  .  
  </checkOutputs>  
</staticShot>  
  .  
  :   (other input/output vector pairs)  
  .  
</checkData>
```



checkData elements can have intermediate values to assist debugging

```
<checkData>
  <staticShot name="Skewed inputs">
    <checkInputs>
      :
      : (checkcase input values)
      :
    </checkInputs>
    <internalValues>
      <signal>
        <signalID>vt</signalID>
        <signalValue>300.0</signalValue>
      </signal>
      <signal>
        <signalID>alpha</signalID>
        <signalValue>16.2</signalValue>
      </signal>
      <signal>
        <signalID>q</signalID>
        <signalValue>-0.76</signalValue>
      </signal>
      :
      : (additional internal values; normally one for every internal variable)
      :
    </internalValues>
    <checkOutputs>
      :
      : (checkcase output values)
      :
    </checkOutputs>
  </staticShot>
</checkData>
```

Checkcase intermediate values



uncertainty *Element*

(every project should, and probably does, have one)

```
uncertainty : effect=['additive' | 'multiplicative' | 'percentage' | 'absolute' ]  
EITHER  
    normalPDF : numSigmas=['1','2','3',...]  
        bounds : (value corresponding to 1, 2, 3, ... σ)  
OR  
    uniformPDF : symmetric=['yes' | 'no']  
        bounds : (symmetric or lower bound value)  
        [bounds : (upper bound value)]
```

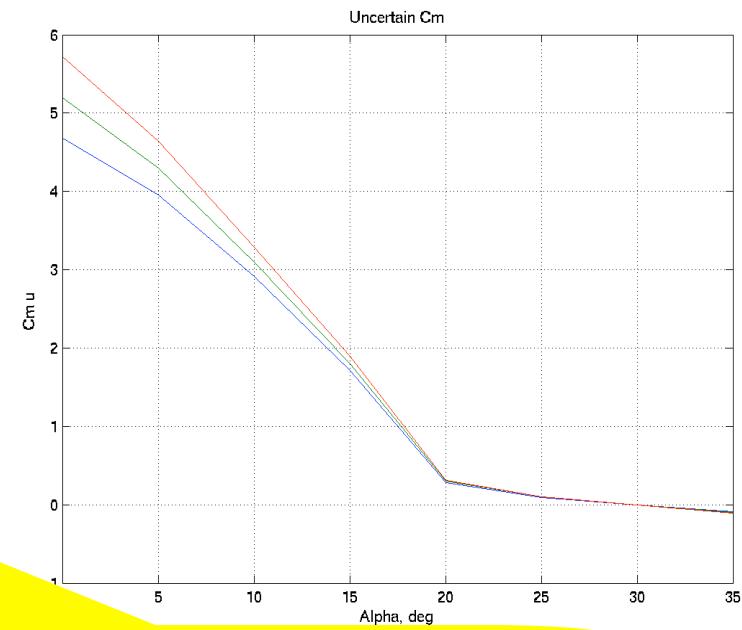
Key: *element : attribute [optional attribute]*
subelement
'+' means 1 or more; '' means 0 or more; '?' means 0 or 1*



Application of uncertainty element

Example: add 5-12% uncertainty bound around C_m

```
<function name="Uncertain Cm">
  <independentVarRef varID="Alpha_deg" />
  <dependentVarRef varID="Cm_u" />
  <functionDefn>
    <griddedTableDef>
      <breakpointRefs>
        <bpRef bpID="ALP" />
      </breakpointRefs>
      <uncertainty effect="percentage">
        <normalPDF numSigmas="3" />
        <bounds>
          <dataTable>
            0.10, 0.08, 0.06, 0.05, 0.05,
            0.06, 0.07, 0.12
          </dataTable></bounds>
        </normalPDF>
      </uncertainty>
      <dataTable>
        5.2, 4.3, 3.1, 1.8, 0.3, 0.1, 0.0,
      </dataTable>
    </griddedTableDef>
  </functionDefn>
</function>
```



3 σ confidence bounds

(assuming ALP = [0:5:35])

Nominal function values



Summary

- DAVE-ML sufficient for some production models
 - static models only, such as aero, mass properties
- Limited tools available, but slowly growing
 - Chicken or egg problem right now
 - Hand-coding not recommended - write export script
- Syntax will evolve, in backwards-compatible way
- Still to tackle: dynamics & subsystems
- Help wanted! Join the mailing list - see website
<http://daveml.nasa.gov>