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**Developing and Distributing a
Model-Based Systems Engineering (MBSE)
CubeSat Reference Model**

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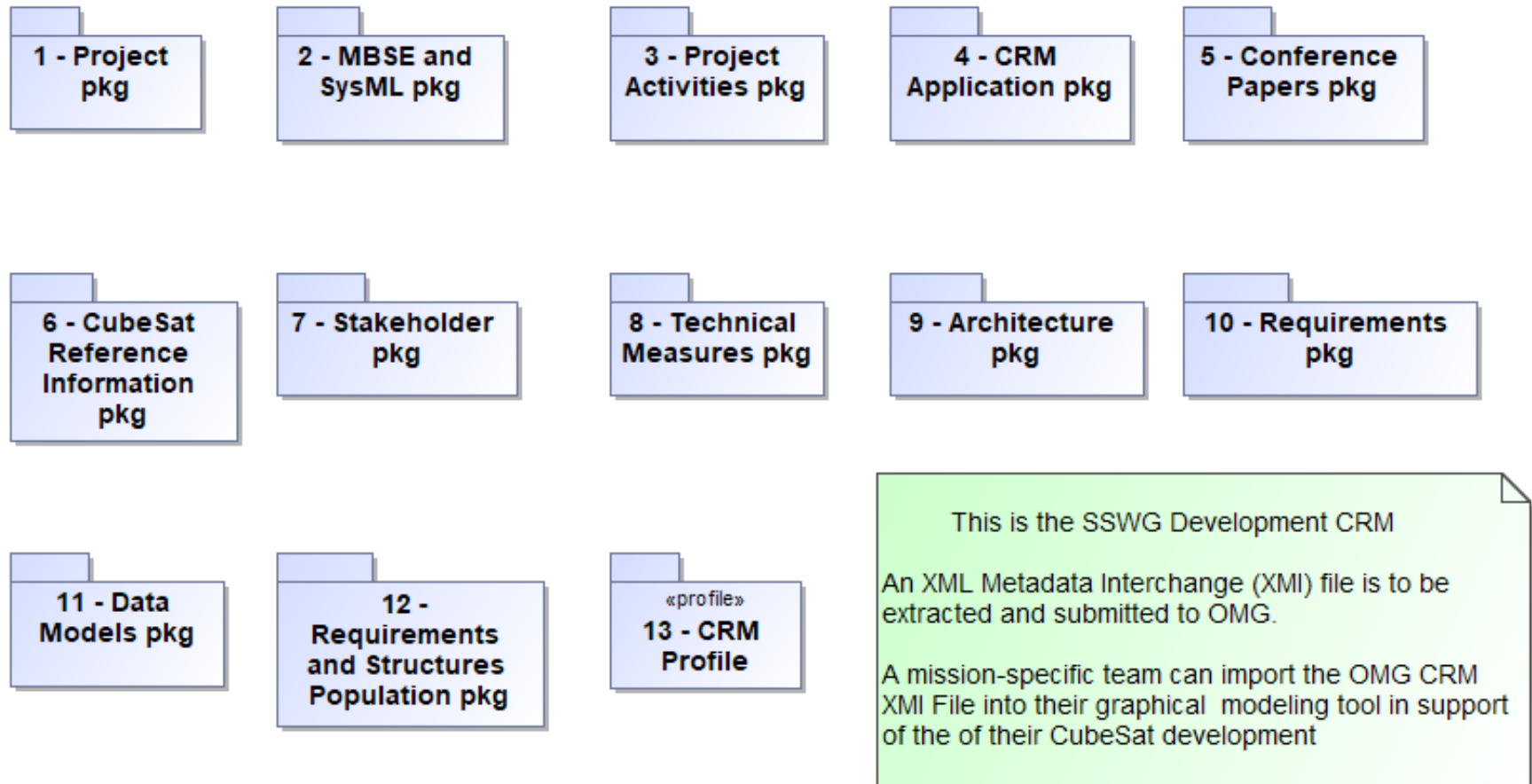
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Model Overview and Navigation

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Project

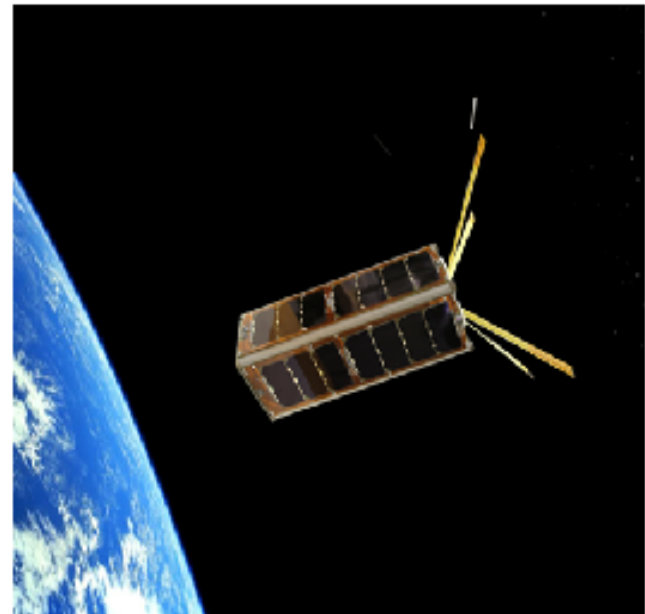
Develop and Distribute a CubeSat Model-Based Systems Engineering (MBSE) Reference Model

Objectives

Demonstrate Model-Based Systems Engineering (MBSE) methodology as applied to a CubeSat Mission

Develop a CubeSat Reference Model (CRM) that a university team can use as a starting point for their mission-specific model

Develop the CRM as an Object Management Group (OMG) specification



Team Composition

Aerospace Students and Professors

**Engineers and Software Developers from
NASA Centers, Aerospace Companies, and
Modeling and Simulation Tool Providers**

**Telecons on Friday at 1pm eastern time
Meeting materials and links in Google docs**

**: Phase 0 -
Exploratory
FireSat Modeling**

**: Phase 3 - RAX
Trade Studies**

**: Phase 1 -
Preliminary RAX
Model**

**: Phase 4 -
CubeSat
Reference Model**

**: Phase 2 - RAX
Behavior**

Model Based Systems Engineering (MBSE)

MBSE creates a system model that helps integrate other discipline specific engineering models and simulations

Formalized application of modeling to support requirements, design, analysis, validation, and verification

Systems Modeling Language (SysML)

A graphical modeling language for modeling complex systems including hardware, software, information, personnel, procedures, facilities

SysML diagrams are used to describe requirements, structures, behaviors, and parametrics from the system down to the component level.

Requirements and design are contained and integrated in the model rather than in a series of independent engineering artifacts.

CubeSat Reference Model

SysML model elements that can be populated to specify the logical architecture of a CubeSat enterprise space and ground system

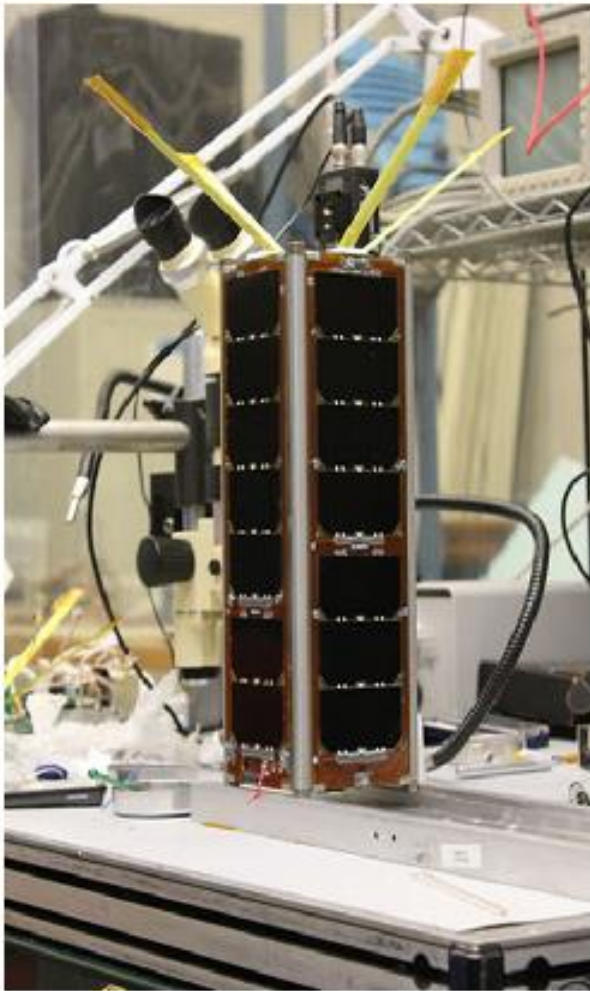
Logical architecture decomposes the system into components that interact to satisfy system requirements

The components are abstractions of physical components that perform system functionality but without imposing implementation constraints

The CRM is systems engineering methodology agnostic

A mission-specific team will import the CRM into their graphical modeling tool to initiate their process for architecting, designing, and developing their Mission-specific Cubesat Model (MCM)

The MCM will be a repository for the systems engineering artifacts created by the mission-specific team



Radio Aurora Explorer (RAX) CubeSat Mission

Michigan Exploration Lab and SRI International

Studies formation of magnetic field aligned plasma irregularities in the lower polar ionosphere

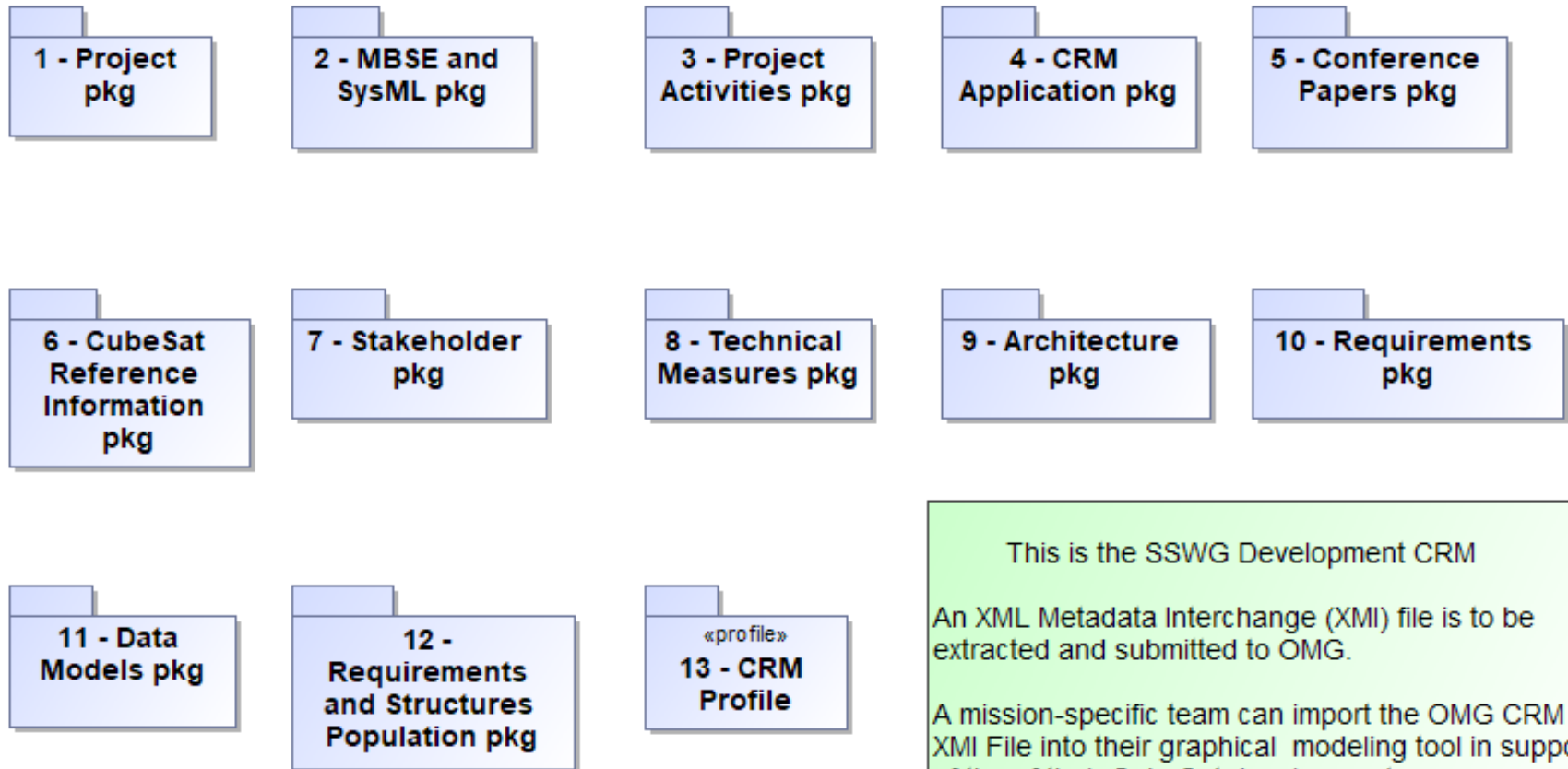
Radar signal is transmitted by Incoherent Scatter Radar site in Poker Flat, Alaska and received by RAX's radar receiver

Science data processed on-board, compressed, transmitted to the primary ground station and control center in Ann Arbor, Michigan

Trade Studies	Trade Space	Performance Metric
Solar panel area	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nominal: 18.2 cm²/slide• ½ of nominal• ¼ of nominal	On-board energy
Max battery capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nominal: 115,000 J• Reduced: 100,000 J	On-board energy
Orbital altitude	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nominal: 811 km x 457 km• Low: 593 km x 250 km• High: 1311 km x 932 km	Quantity of data downloaded
Ground station network	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ann Arbor & Menlo Park• Ann Arbor & Fairbanks• Fairbanks & Menlo Park	Quantity of data downloaded

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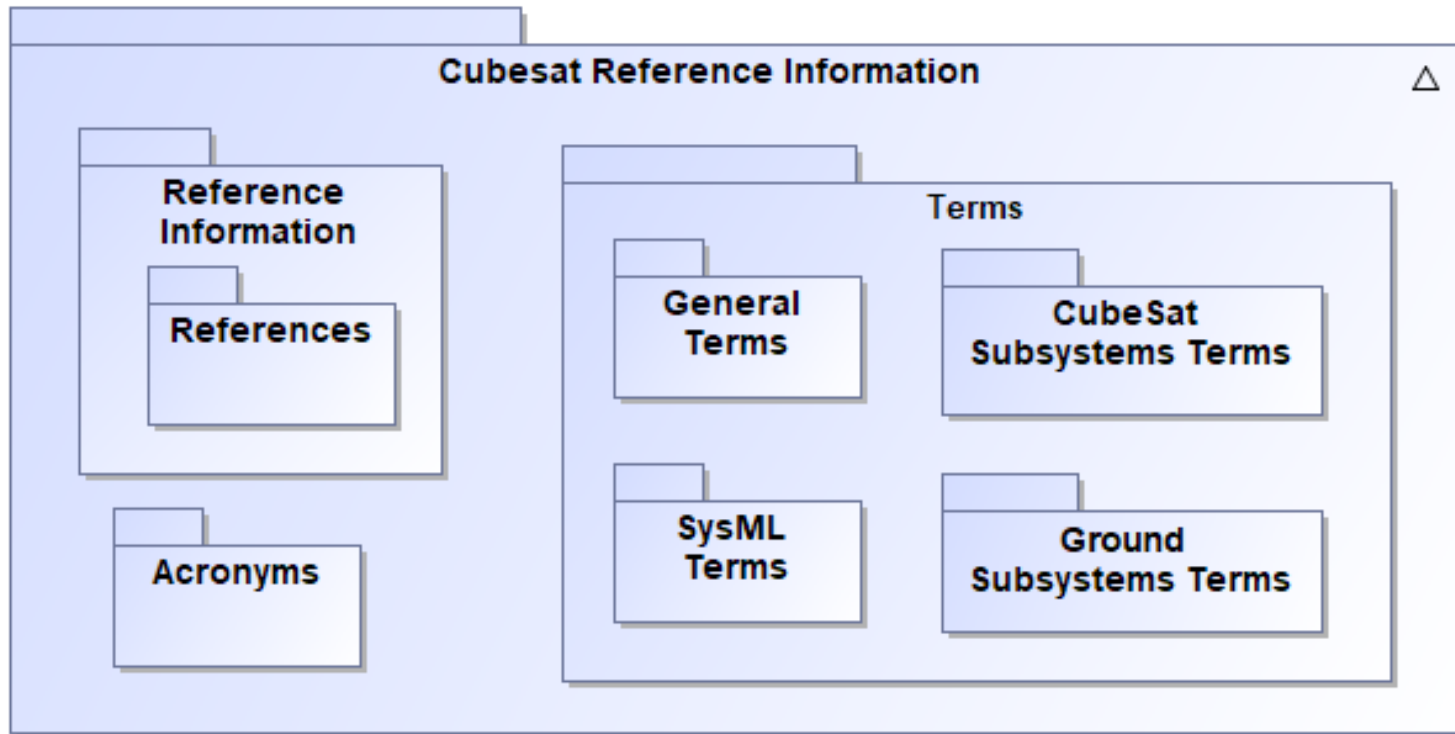
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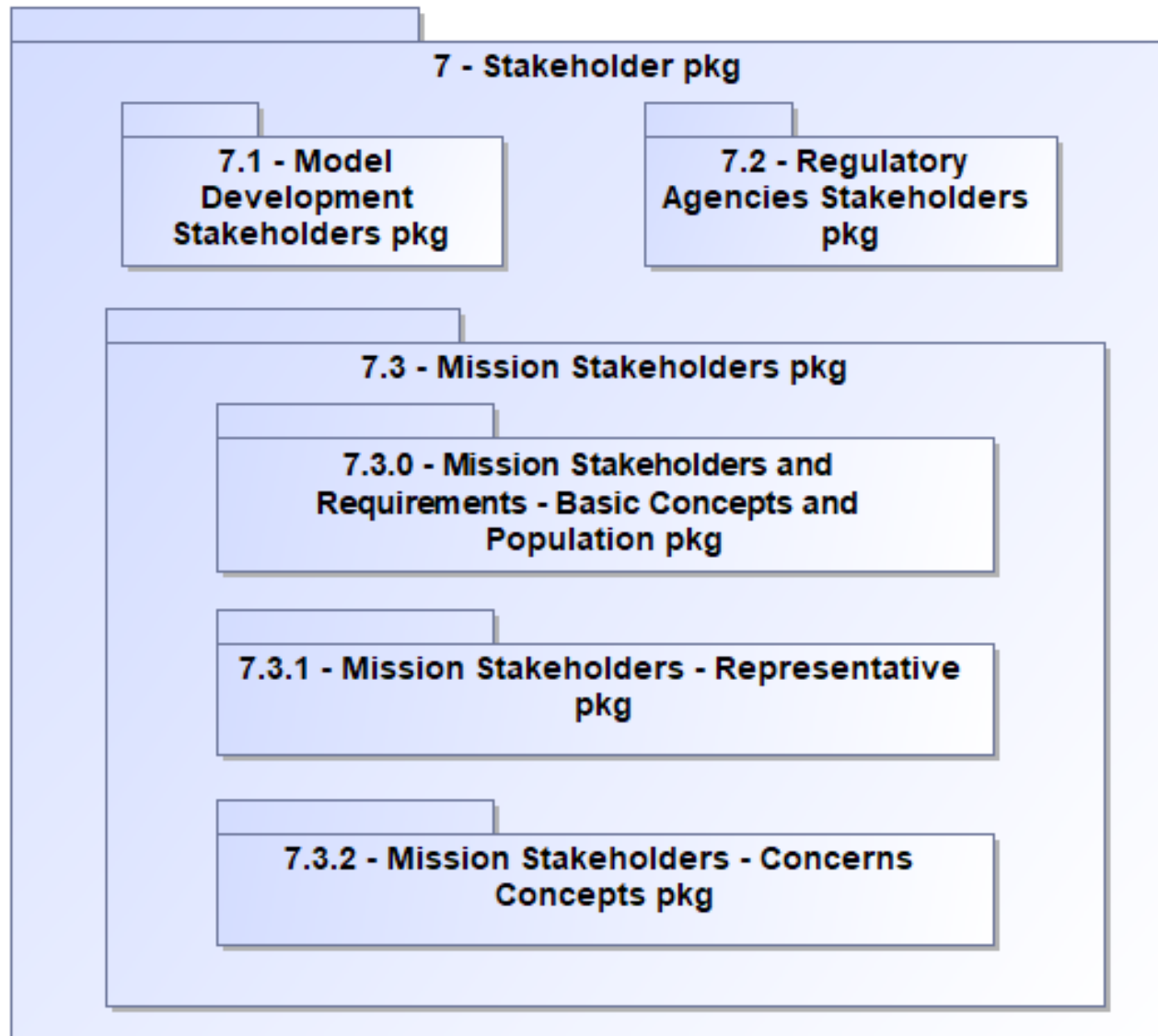


This is the SSWG Development CRM

An XML Metadata Interchange (XMI) file is to be extracted and submitted to OMG.

A mission-specific team can import the OMG CRM XMI File into their graphical modeling tool in support of the of their CubeSat development





Mission Stakeholders and Requirements - Basic Concepts and Population

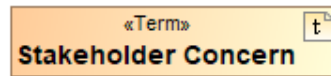
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Mission Stakeholders Population



Mission Stakeholder Concerns Population



Mission Needs Population



Mission Objectives Population



Mission Constraints Population



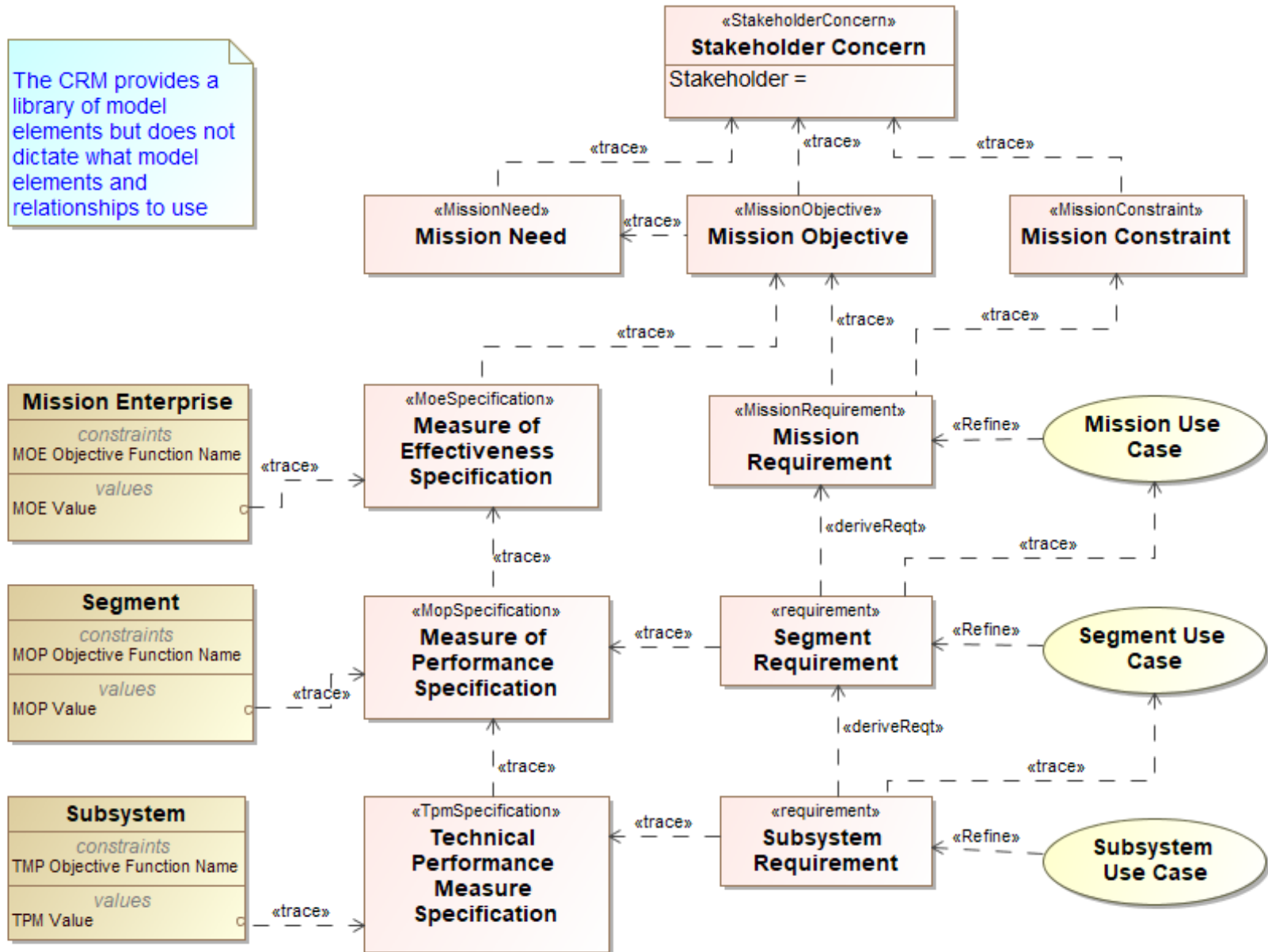
Mission Requirements Population



Mission Stakeholder - Concerns Concepts

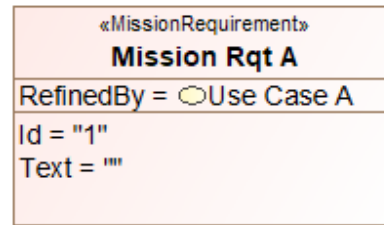
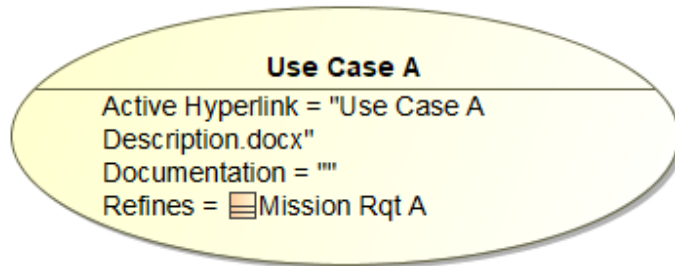
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The CRM provides a library of model elements but does not dictate what model elements and relationships to use

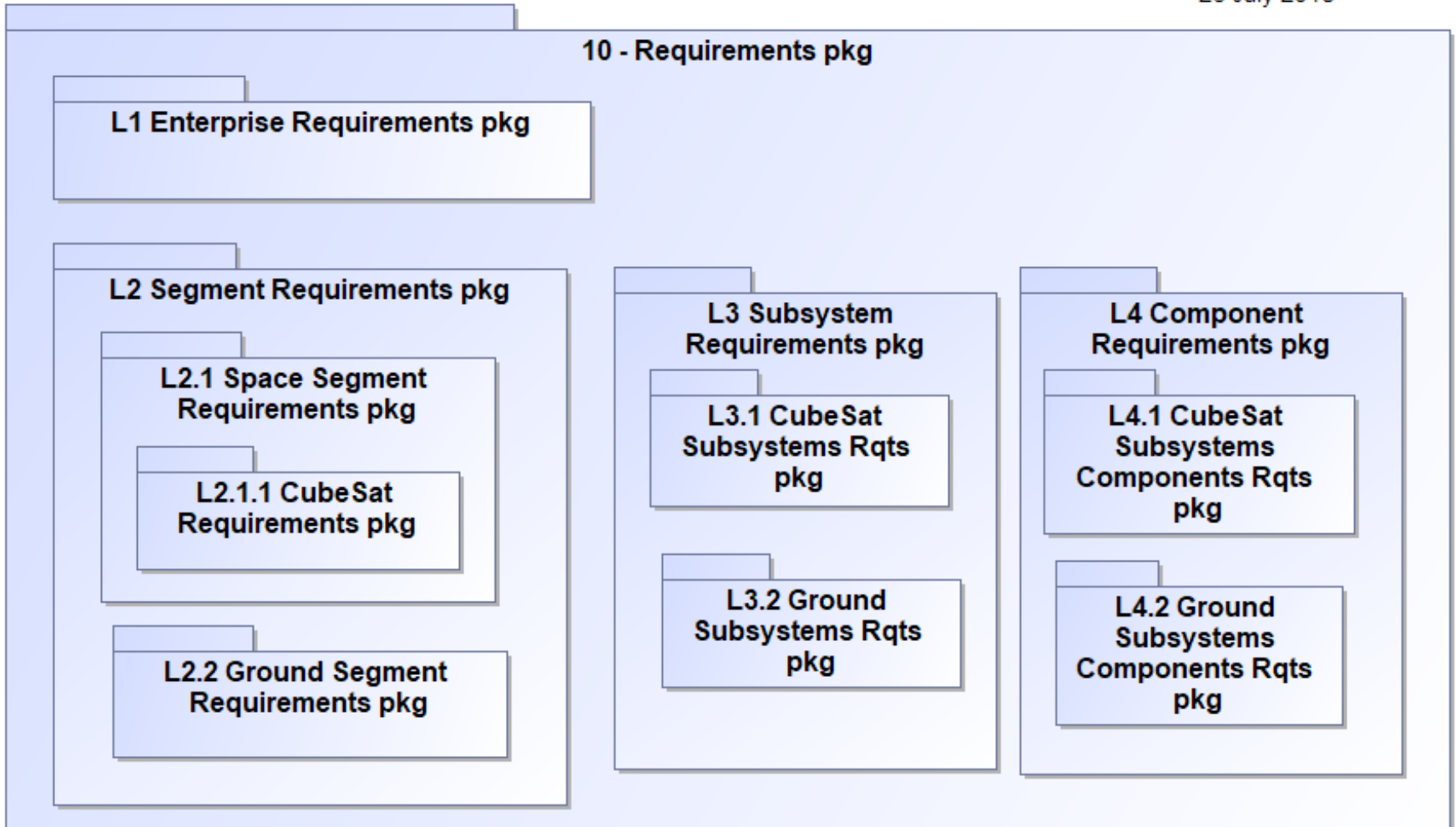


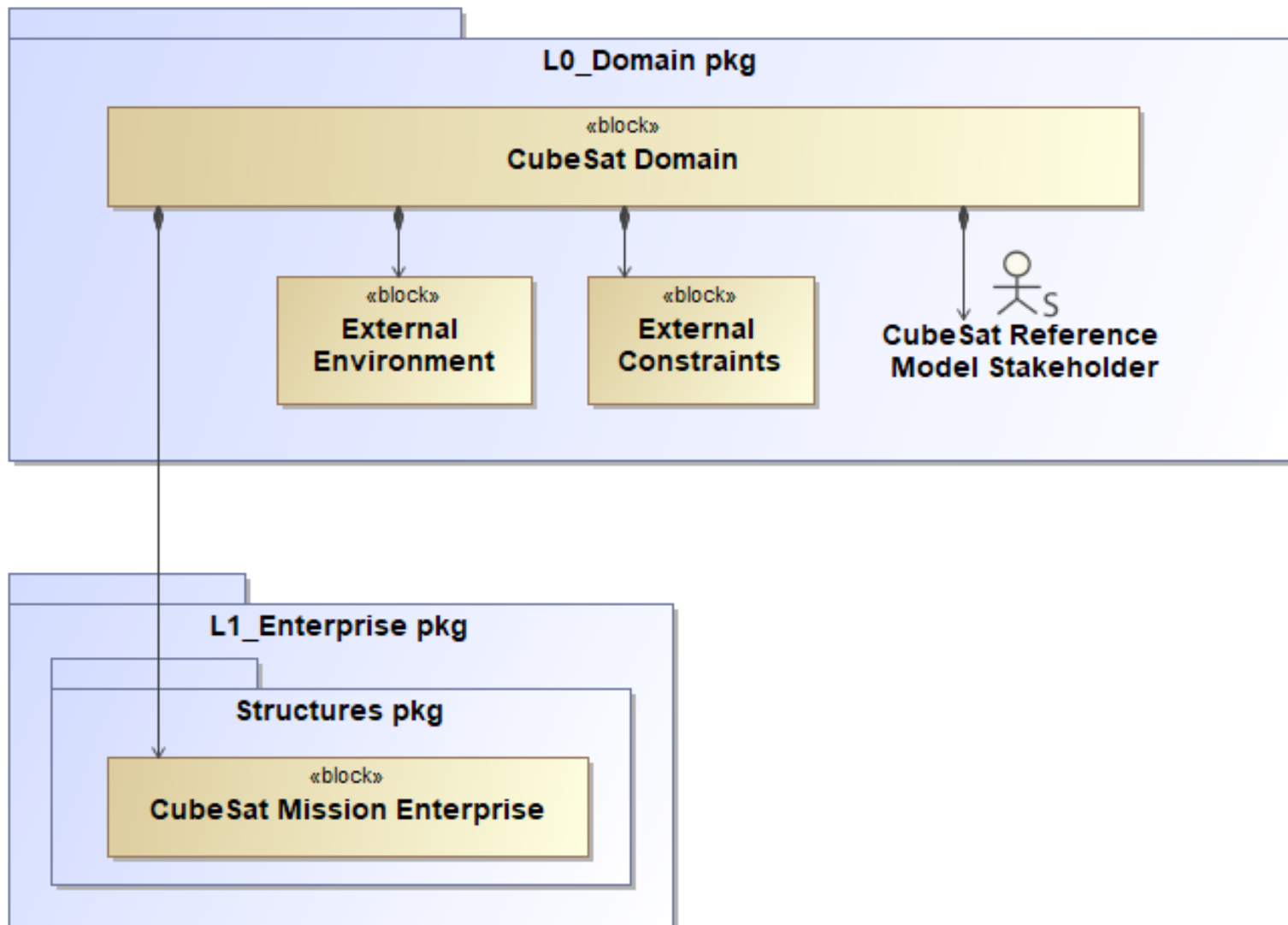
Enterprise Use Cases Population

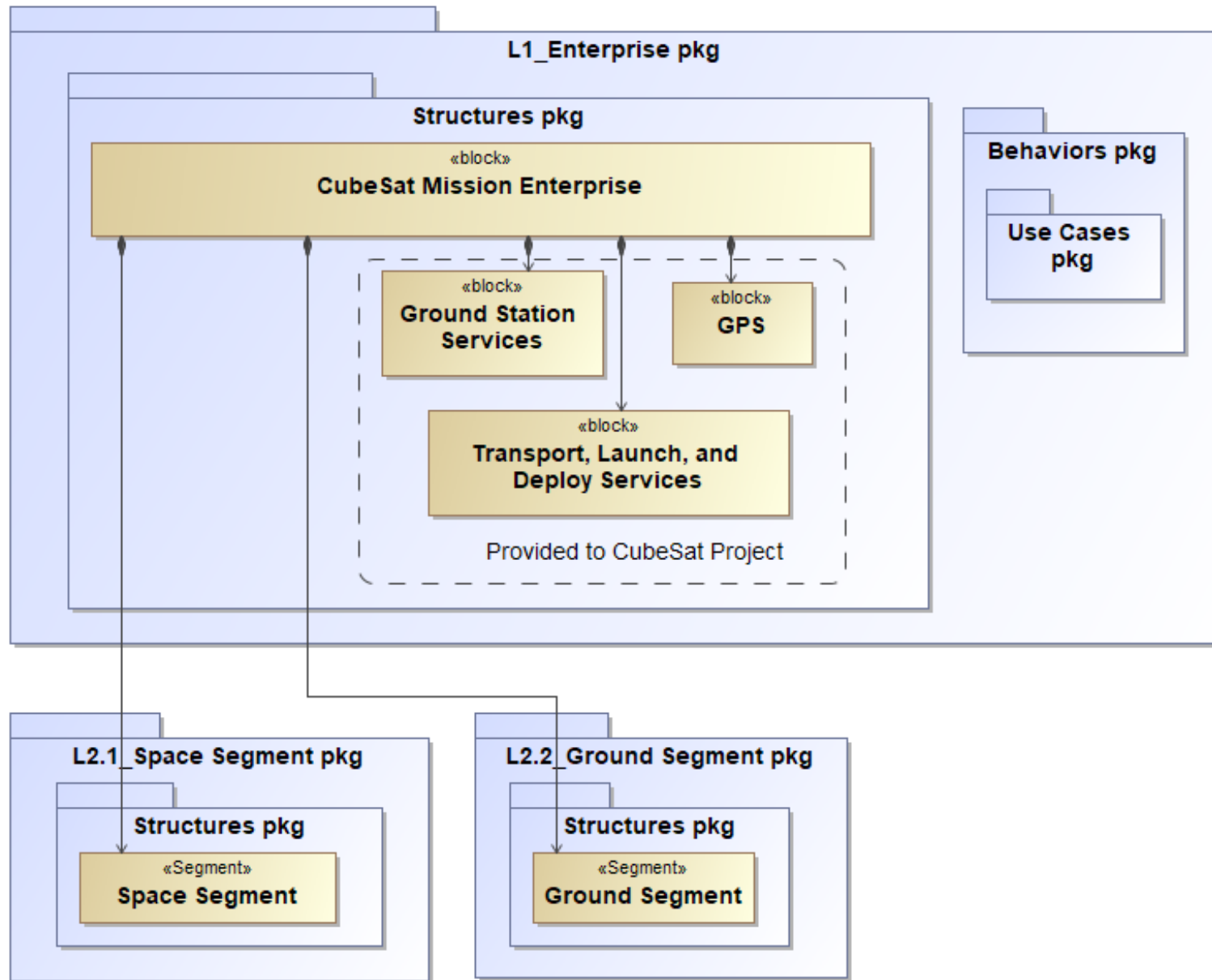
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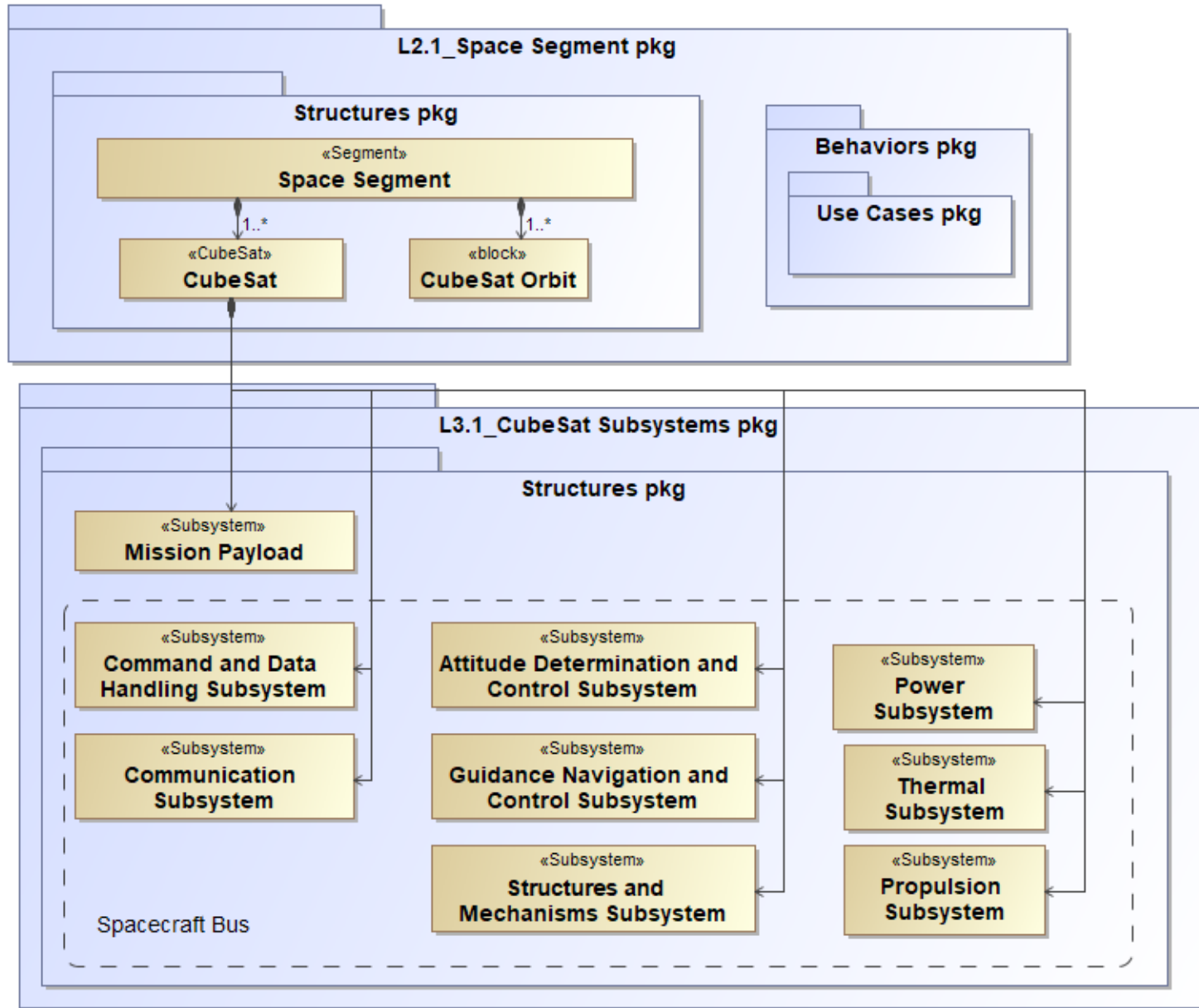


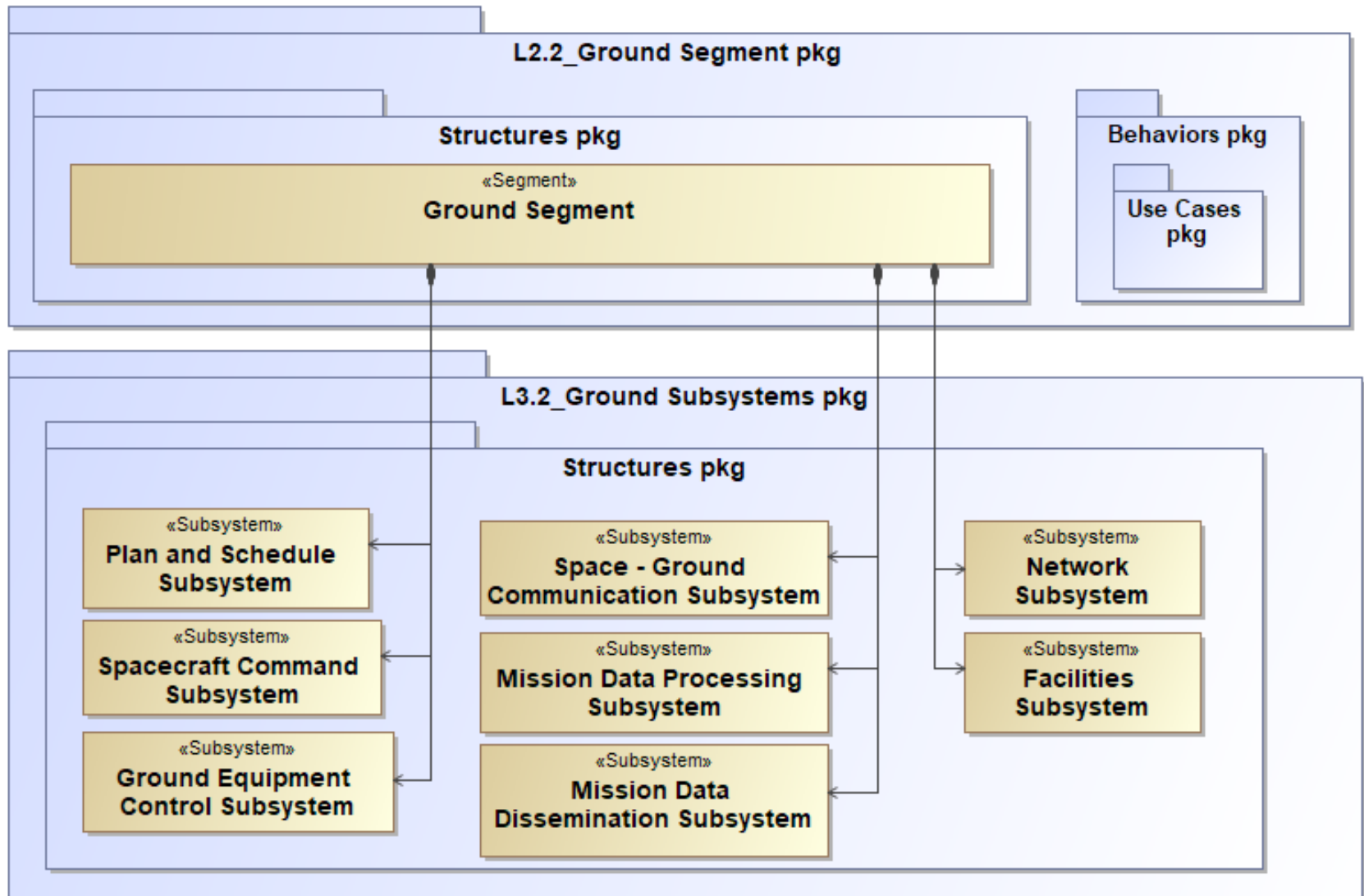
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Next Steps Include

Providing for the roll-up of power, weight, and cost

Obtaining the evaluation by several CubeSat Development Teams

Carrying out the validation strategy

Submitting the CRM to OMG as a proposed specification

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