Background: Conventional CBSP Method

- Iterative method of moving from requirements to architecture using USC’s intermediate CBSP models
- CBSP = component-bus-system-property
- Uses USC’s WinWin requirements elicitation

Our goal: Refine integration requirements into an integration proto-architecture, while retaining strong traceability between them

Solution Approach: Integration-CBSP Method

- Reconceptualize CBSP in the context of integration, mergers, and interoperability
  - C = constituent systems
  - B = integration and interoperability mechanisms
  - S = merged, integrated system or SoS
  - P = properties of the above

Pre-step: filter requirements for integration

Step 1: stakeholders rate importance and feasibility

Step 2: architects rate architectural relevance

Step 3: architects negotiate and reconcile disagreements

Step 4: requirements rephrased and traced to proto-architecture

iCBSP in Action: Jail Information Management System (JIMS)

- Provides data consistency and availability at seven San Diego County detention centers
- JIMS needs to interoperate with multiple external systems (Warrant search systems, Criminal history system, etc.)

JIMS requirement 4.5: When the RIMS criminal history module initially becomes available, JIMS shall interface with both it and the Records Index and the Criminal History Systems. This dual interface shall be maintained until such time as all records in the Records Index and the Criminal History Systems have been moved into RIMS.

Step 1

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High importance requirement with low disagreement

Step 4

Steps 2 and 3

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High disagreement between the architects, reconciliation necessary

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Requirement related to constituent systems, their interconnections, and the interface availability

iCBSP Results Summary

- Effectively filters requirements
  - 1800 total requirements → 22 integration requirements
- Supports requirements reconciliation and rewriting
  - 6 requirement with high architect disagreement
- Precisely relates integration requirements and architecture
  - 16 processing elements, 16 buses, 11 data elements
- Effectively maintains explicit traceability

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