

# Digital Twin Workflow Development Framework in the Context of Fluid Structure Interaction

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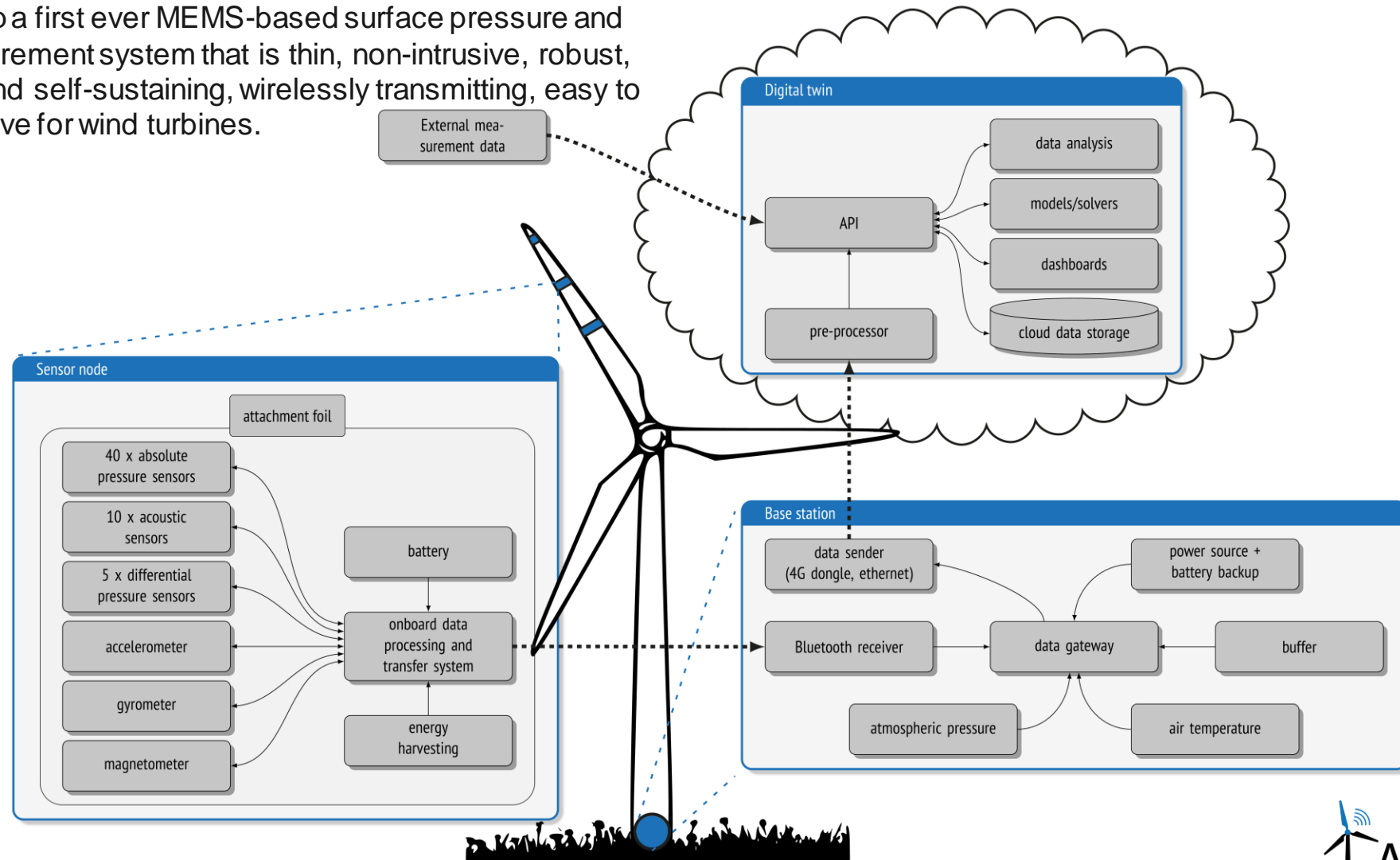
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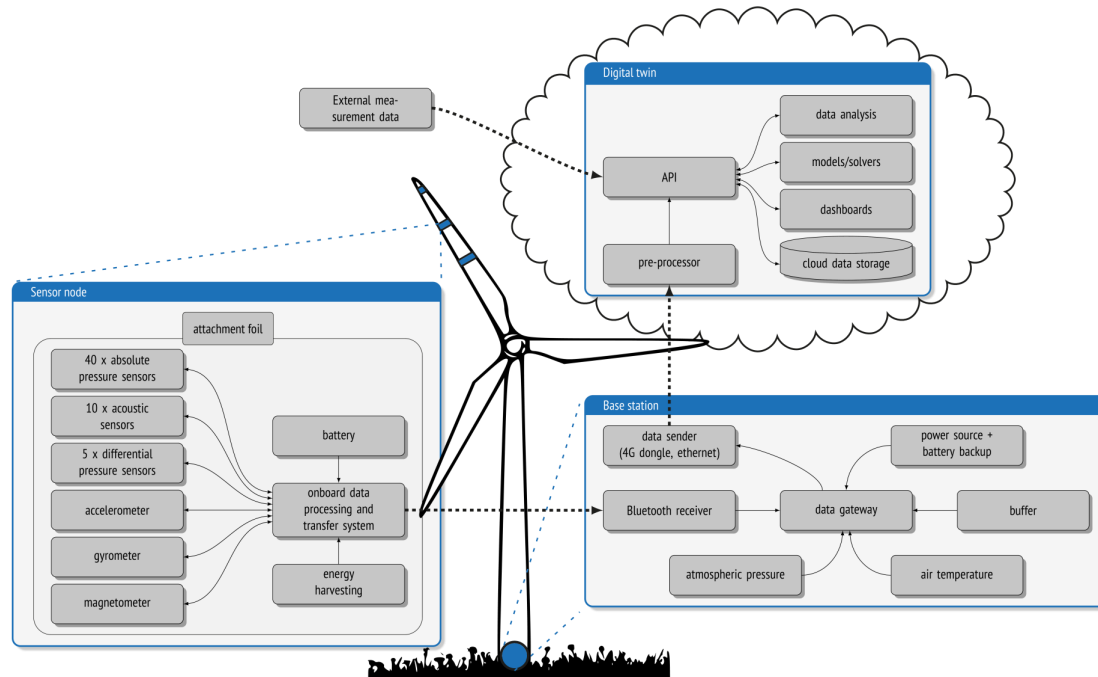
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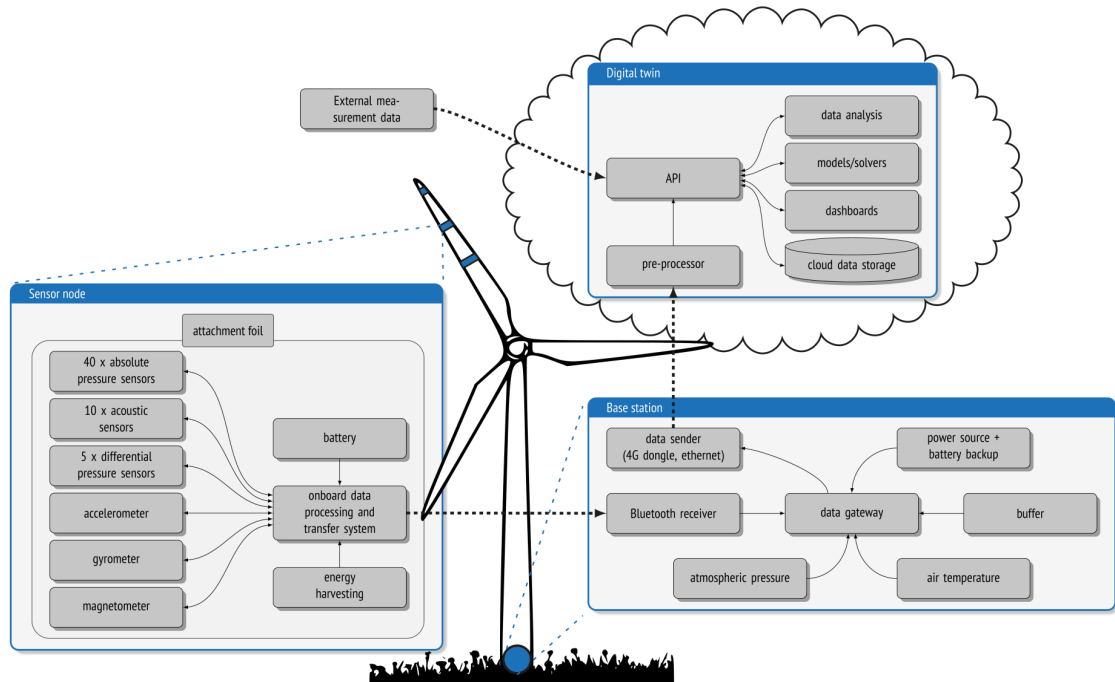
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- **Use cases:**
  - **Operators:** blade surface and structural damage detection, performance optimisation, amplitude modulation detection
  - **OEMs:** optimisation of aeroacoustic design tools and wind turbine designs, understanding 3D field aerodynamics.
- **Scope:**
  - 3 years May 2020 – April 2023
  - Funding from SNF/Innuisse BRIDGE programme: CHF 2.3 m
- **Partners:**
  - Eastern Switzerland University of Applied Sciences (OST)
  - ETH Zurich Chair of Structural Mechanics and Monitoring
  - ETH Zurich Center for Project-Based Learning
  - Octue (UK)
- **Advisory Board:**
  - RES, EKZ Renewables, Enercon, GE (LM), Brüel&Kjaer
  - Fraunhofer IWES, ECN, DTU, TU Delft, NREL.

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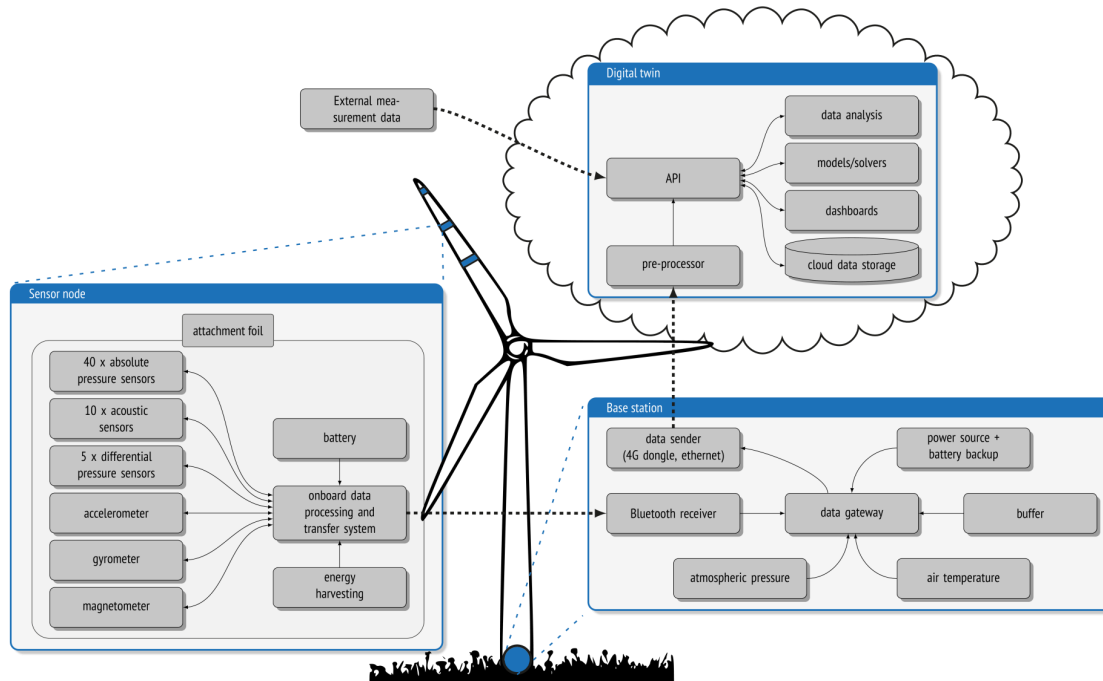


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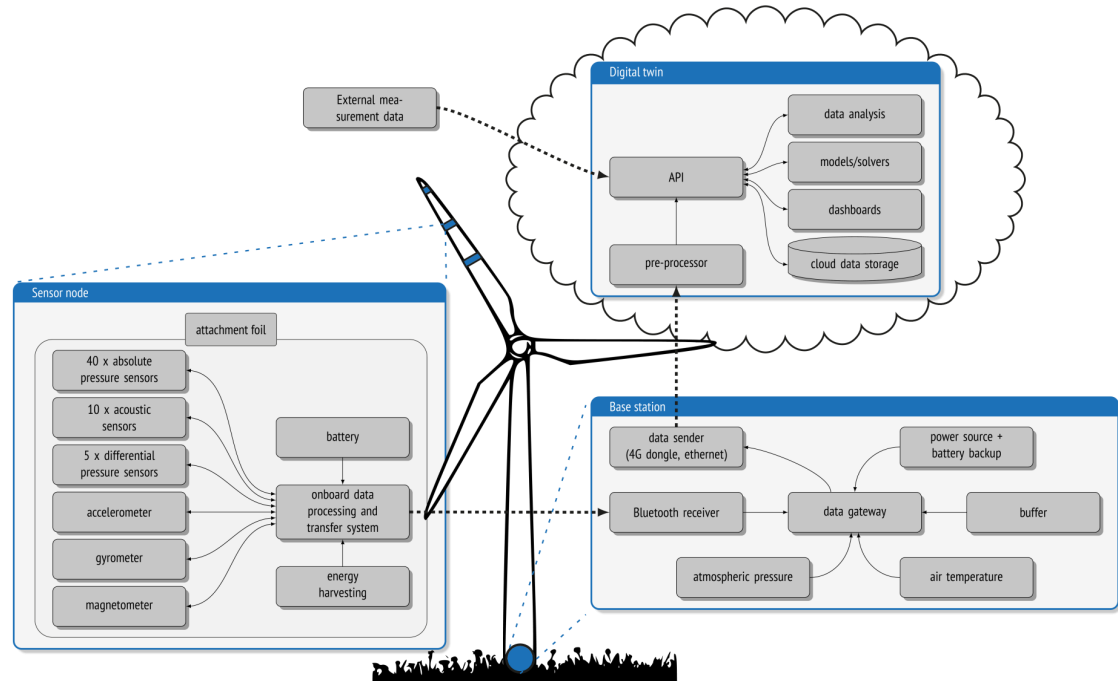
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- **Aerosense Digital Twin Requirement:**

An **open** framework that enables scientists from different fields to contribute to the wind energy research and digital twin development by providing easy **data access** and possibility for **testing and validation** of their models.

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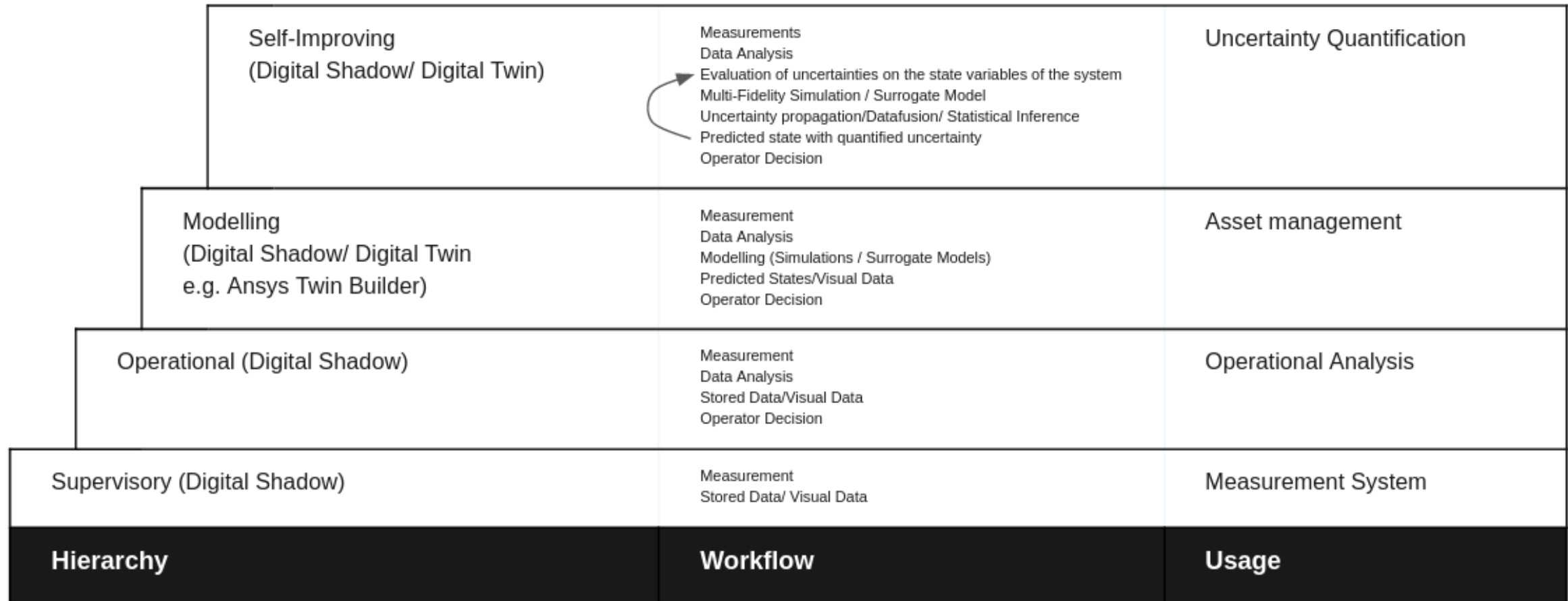
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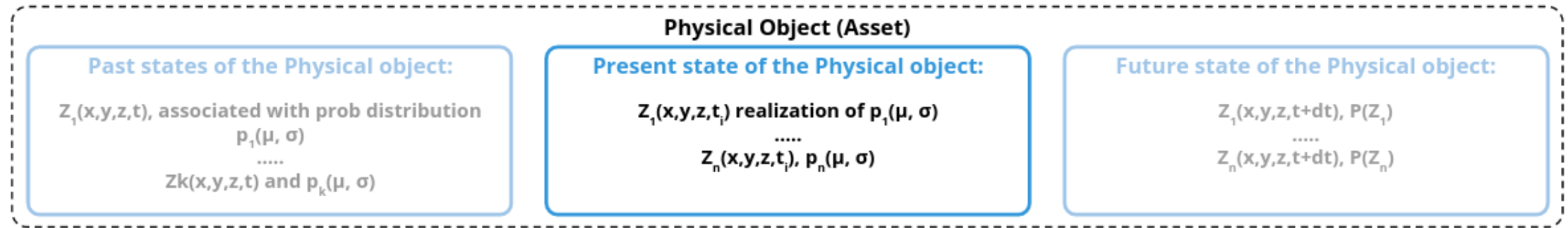


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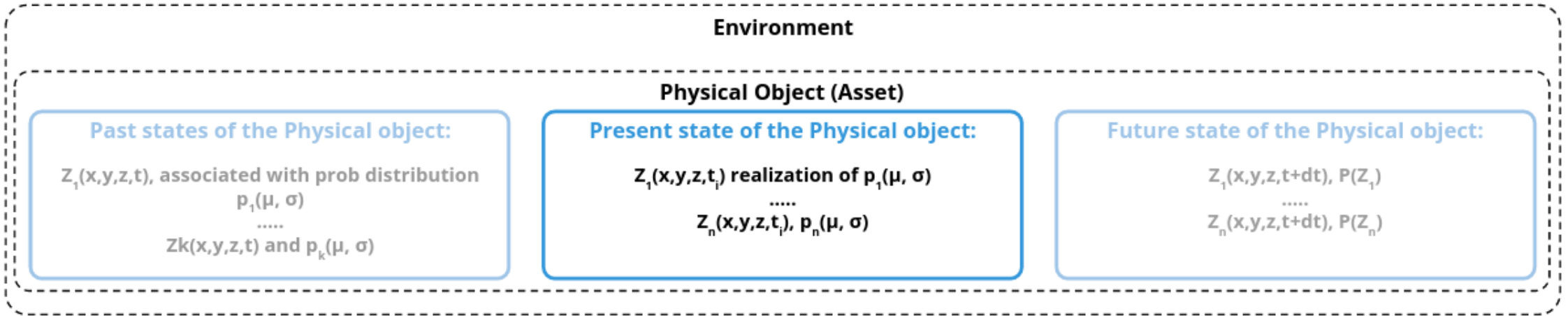
Self-Managing (Digital Twin)	Same as below, with the system actively controlling/changing physical object	Asset Control
Self-Improving (Digital Shadow/ Digital Twin)	Measurements Data Analysis Evaluation of uncertainties on the state variables of the system Multi-Fidelity Simulation / Surrogate Model Uncertainty propagation/Datafusion/ Statistical Inference Predicted state with quantified uncertainty Operator Decision	Uncertainty Quantification
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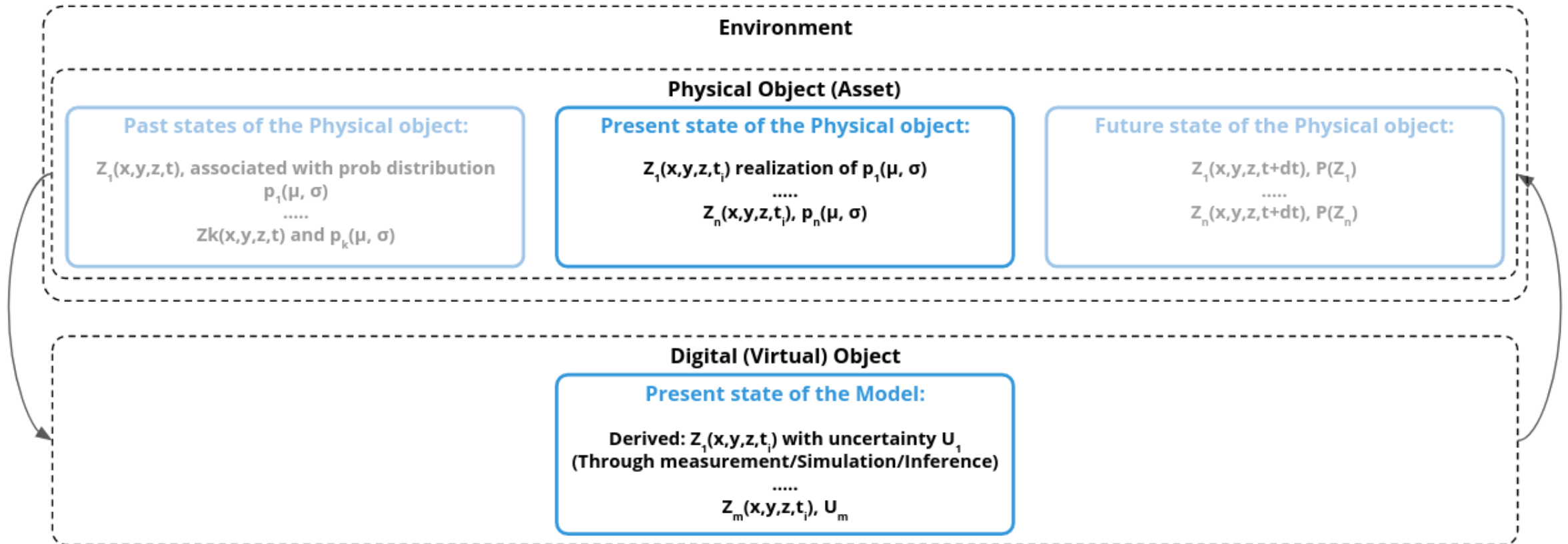
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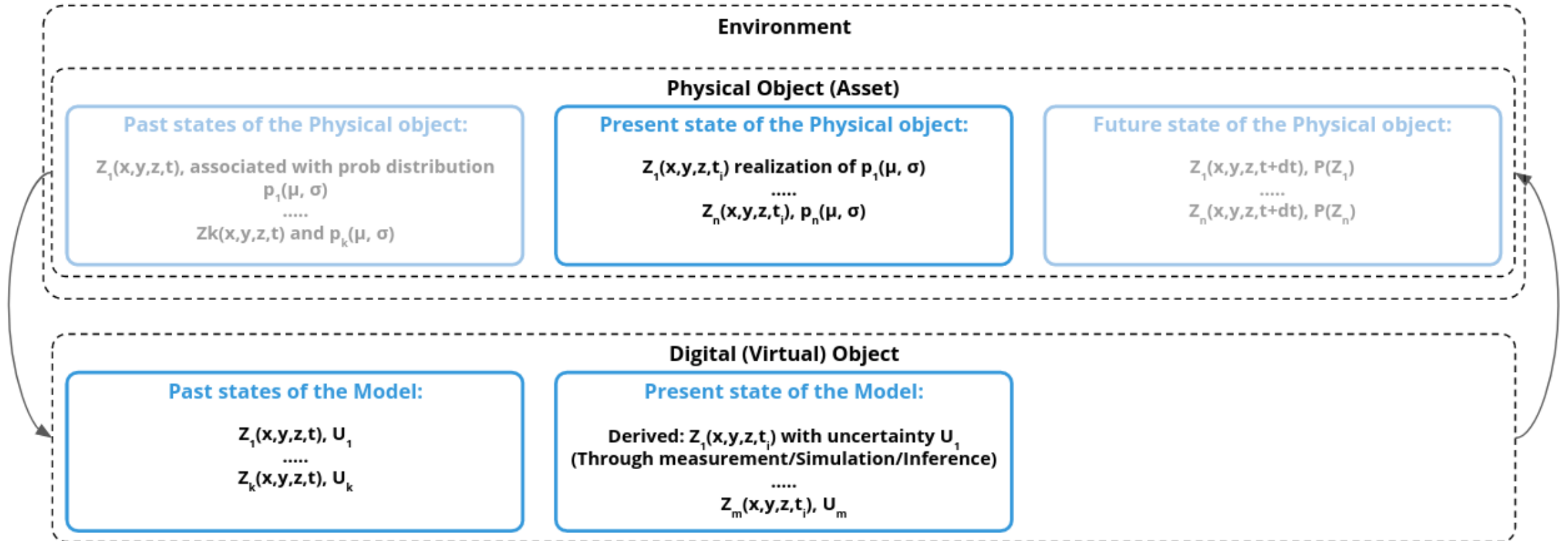
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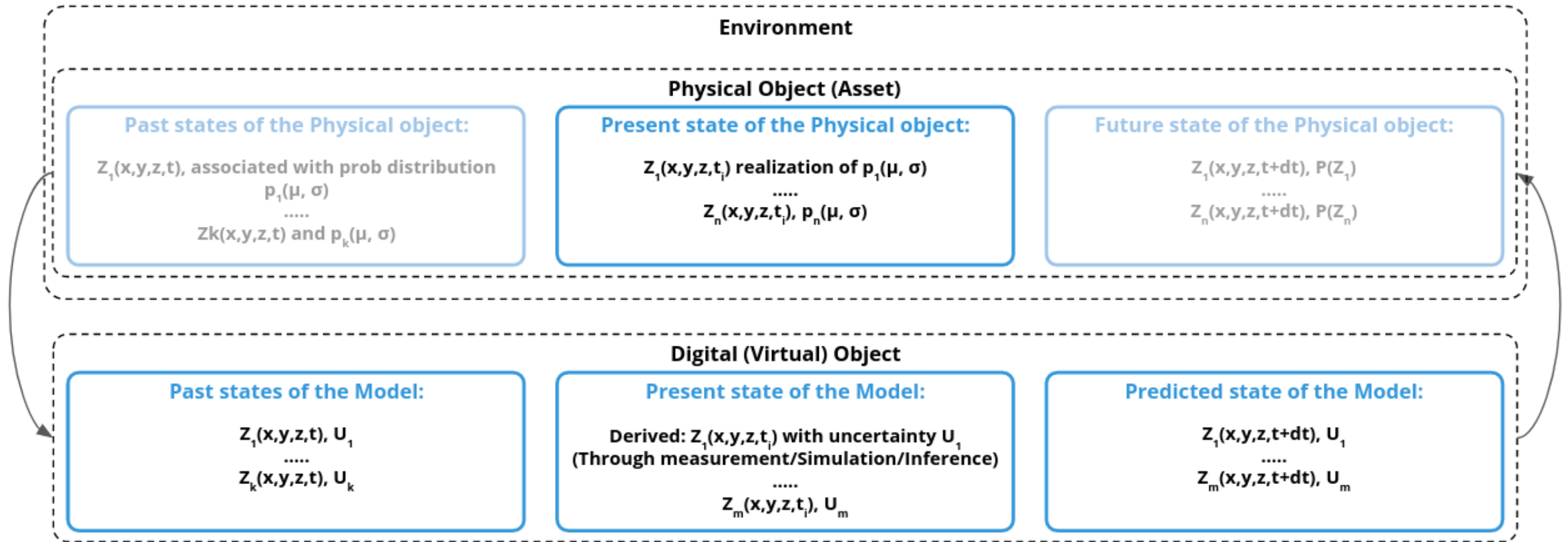


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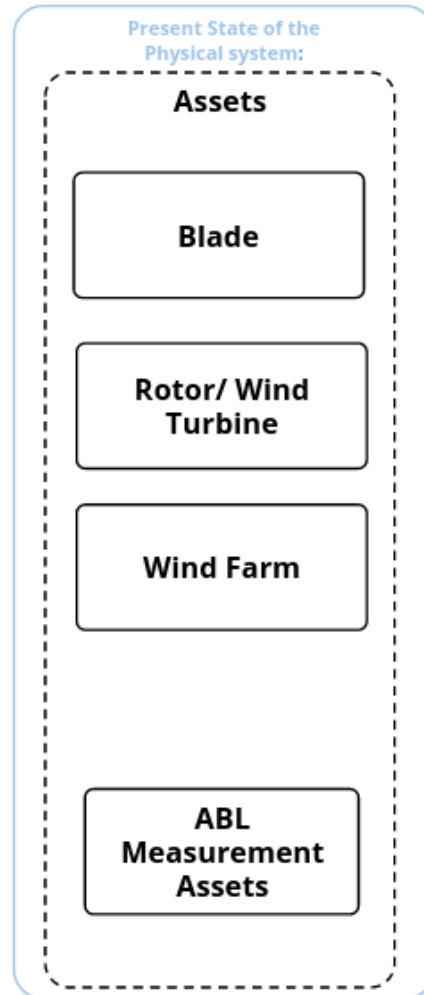




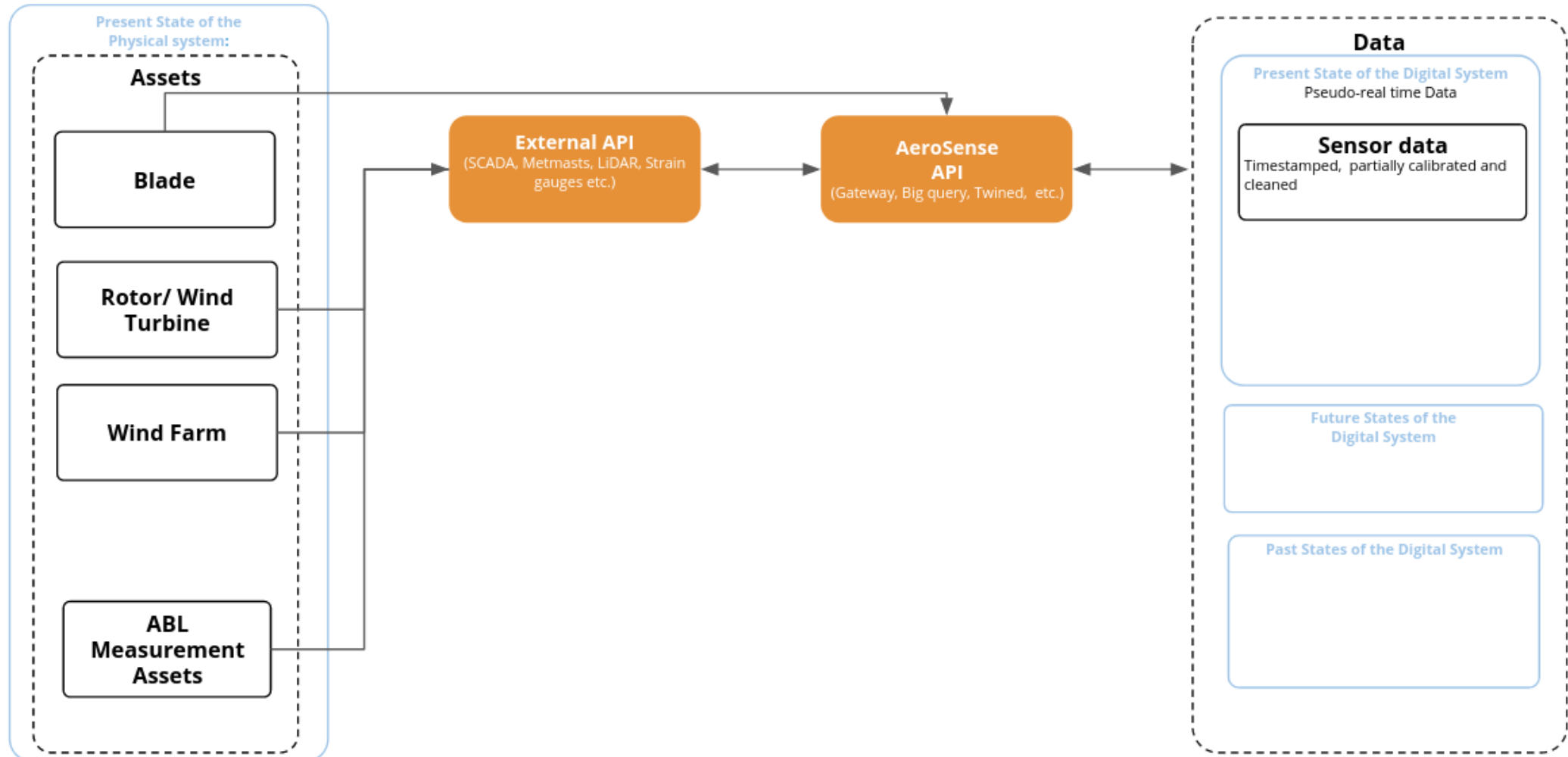
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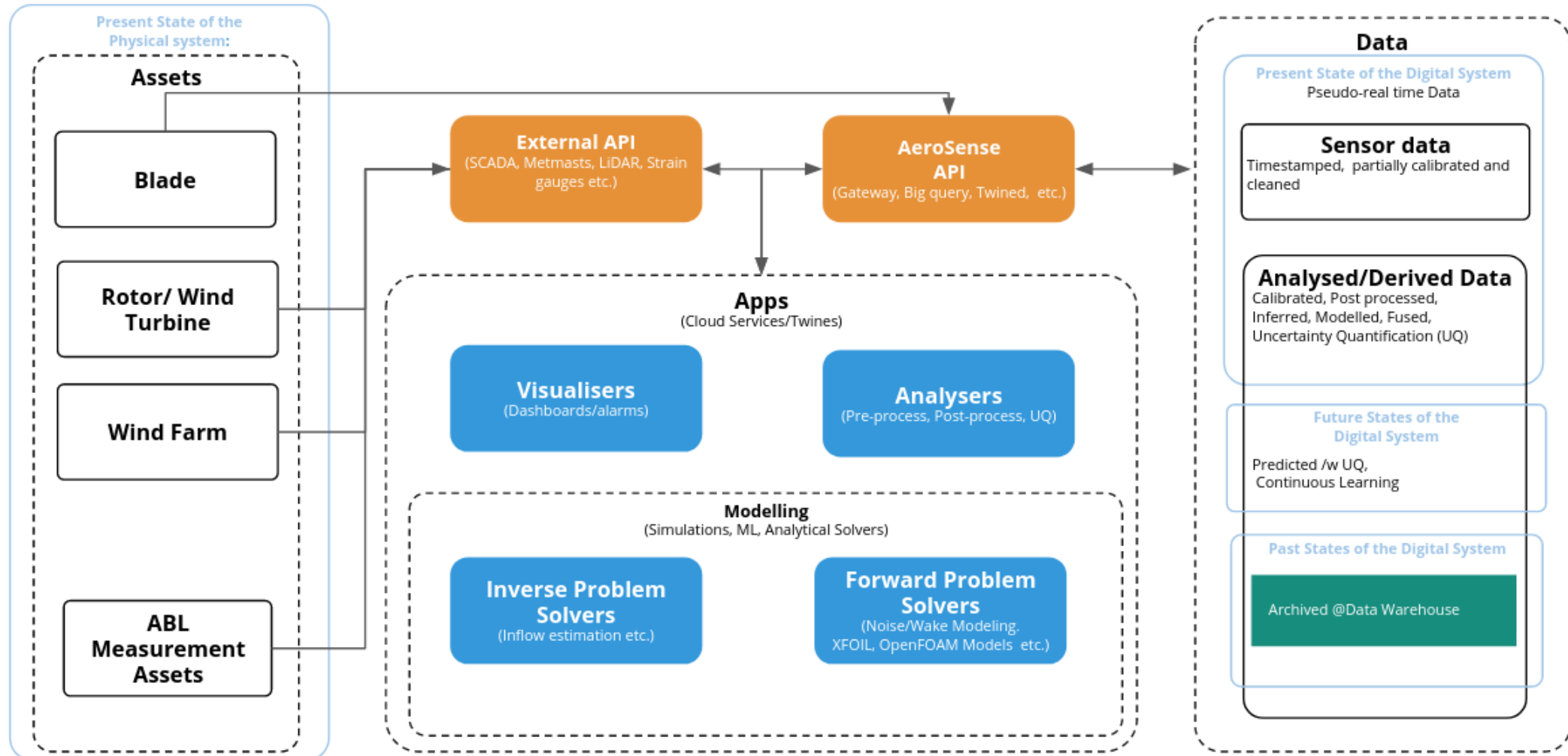
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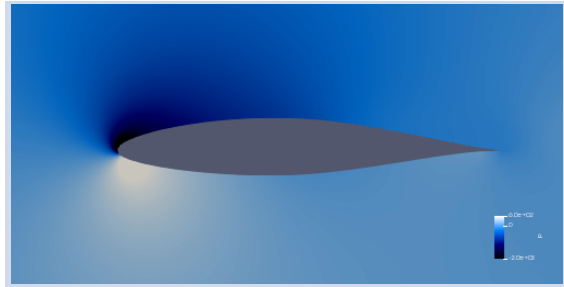
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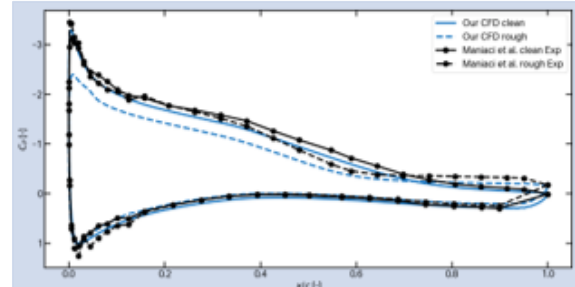
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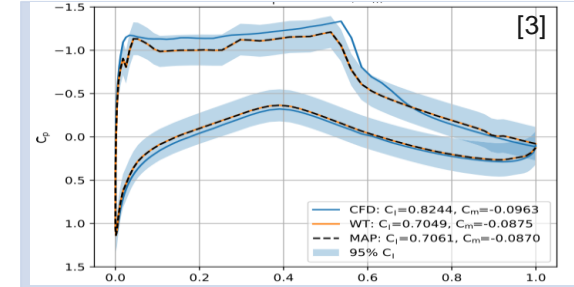
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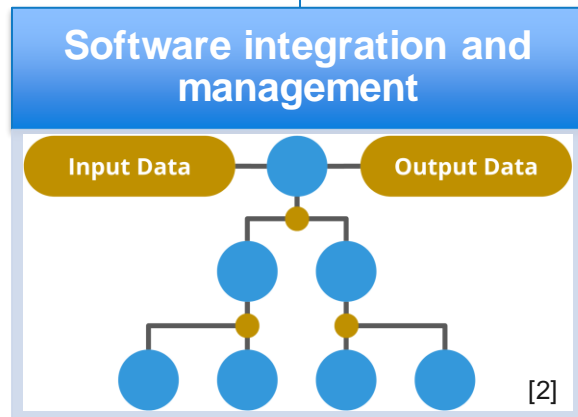
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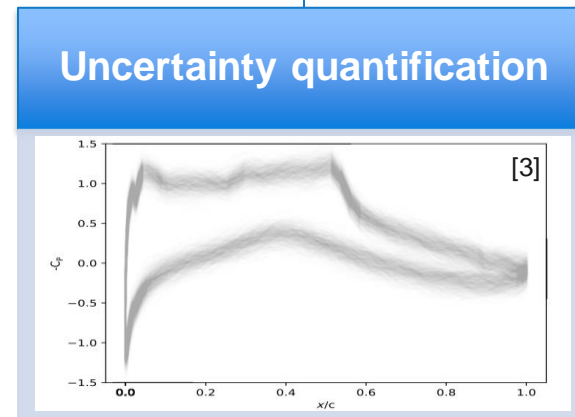
Verification and validation



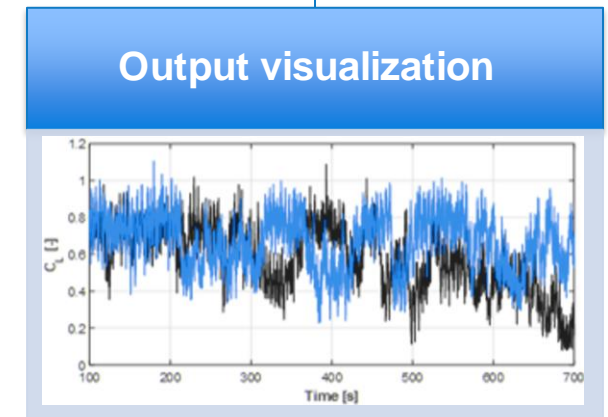
Data-augmented modelling



Software integration and management



Uncertainty quantification

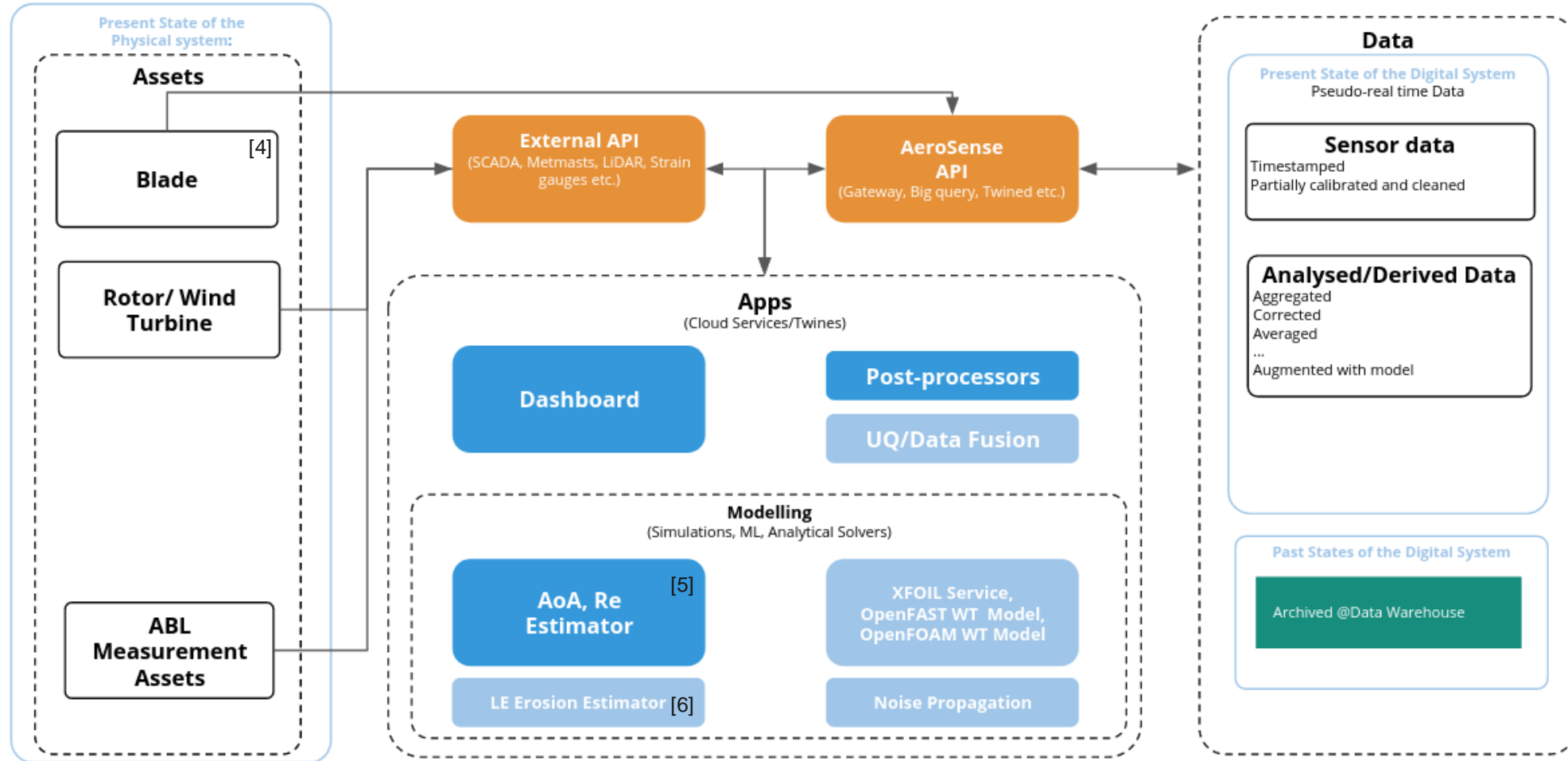


Output visualization

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# Digital Twins: AEROSENSE - AVENTA Test Wind Turbine



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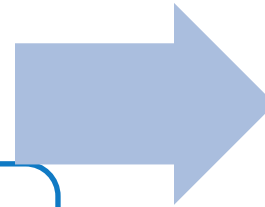
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# Conclusions

## Software integration and management

- Bottleneck for implementation of research advances in industry.
- Common open-source framework will significantly accelerate DT developments, especially UQ and Data Augmented Modelling research



## High-level DT Abstractions and Open-Source Libraries

- IT/Cloud infrastructure (Twined, Octue SDK)
- Python Libraries (OpenOA, Aerosense)
- Published Wrappers (Aerosense)
- Common metadata definitions

# Thank you for your attention!

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## Aerosense at WESC:

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