

Lean Architecting, the Way of the Future?

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Abstract

There are different schools in Systems Engineering (SE), such as the conventional SE in the military and Aerospace domain, agile SE, and Lean Product Development. These different schools have very different approaches towards architecting. In this paper we try to combine the best of these different schools: Lean Architecting. The core idea is to document architecture knowledge in digestible chunks, where several views are visualized at once in a coherent way.

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3 (of many) Schools of Systems Engineering

"conventional"
Systems Engineering

control by
process and artifacts

defense and
aerospace

"agile"
Systems Engineering
EVO, XP, SCRUM, ...

early and continuous
feedback

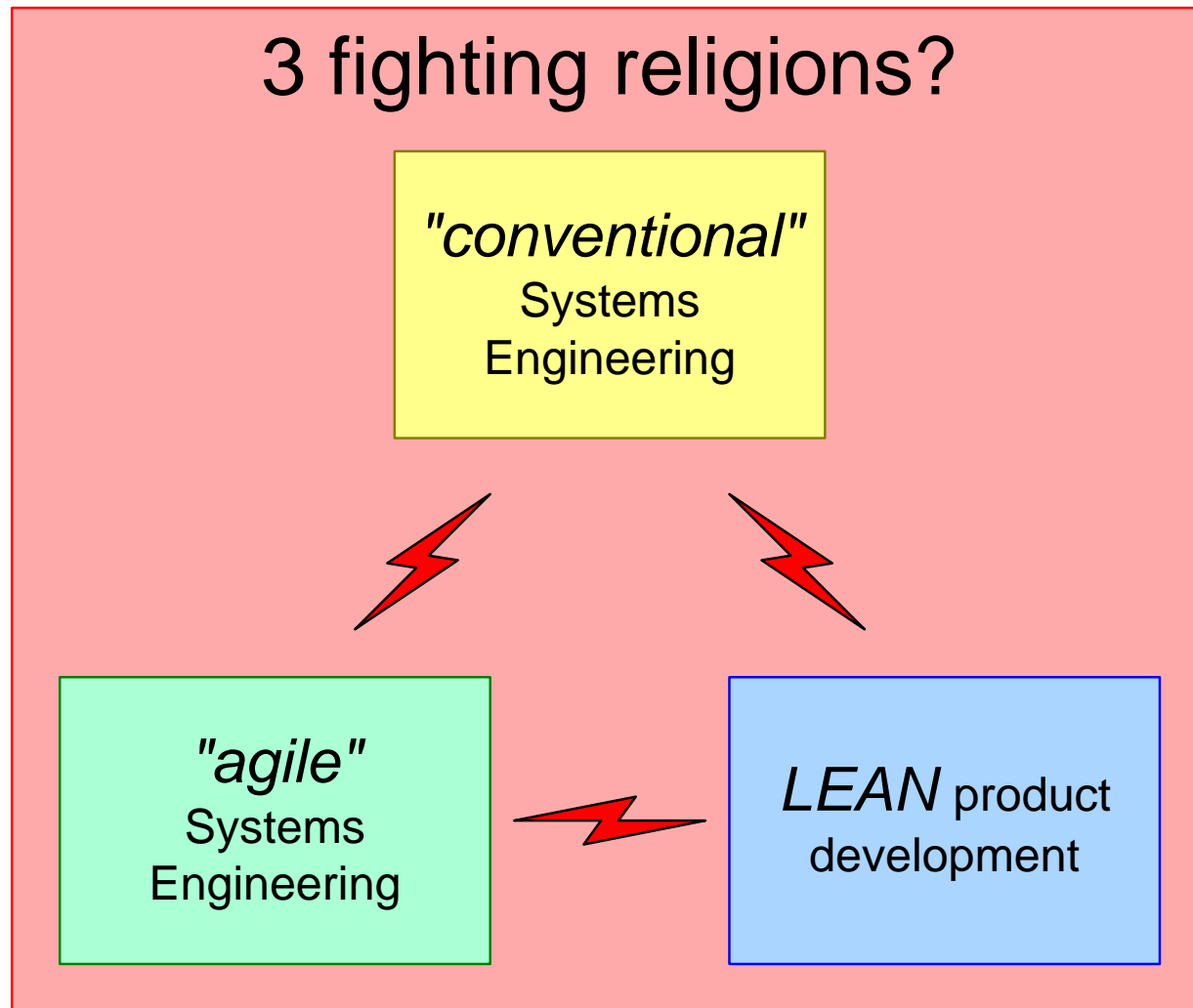
IT

LEAN product
development

avoid waste

automotive, Toyota

Differentiation or Complementing



or 3 sets of
complementary
principles?

+ control

+ feedback

+ avoid waste

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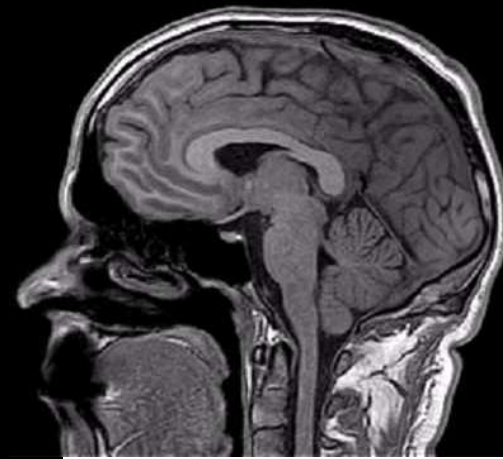
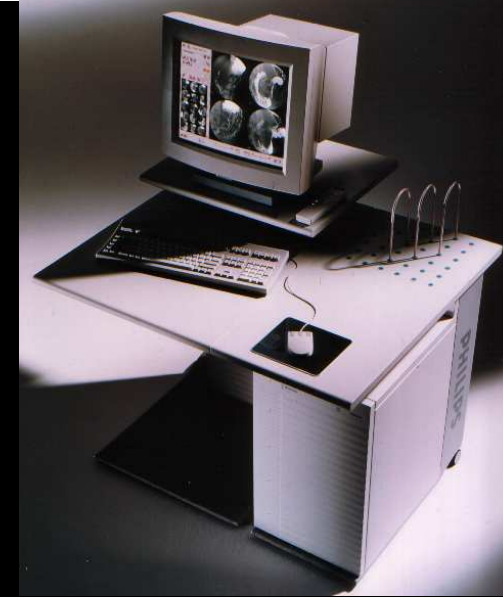
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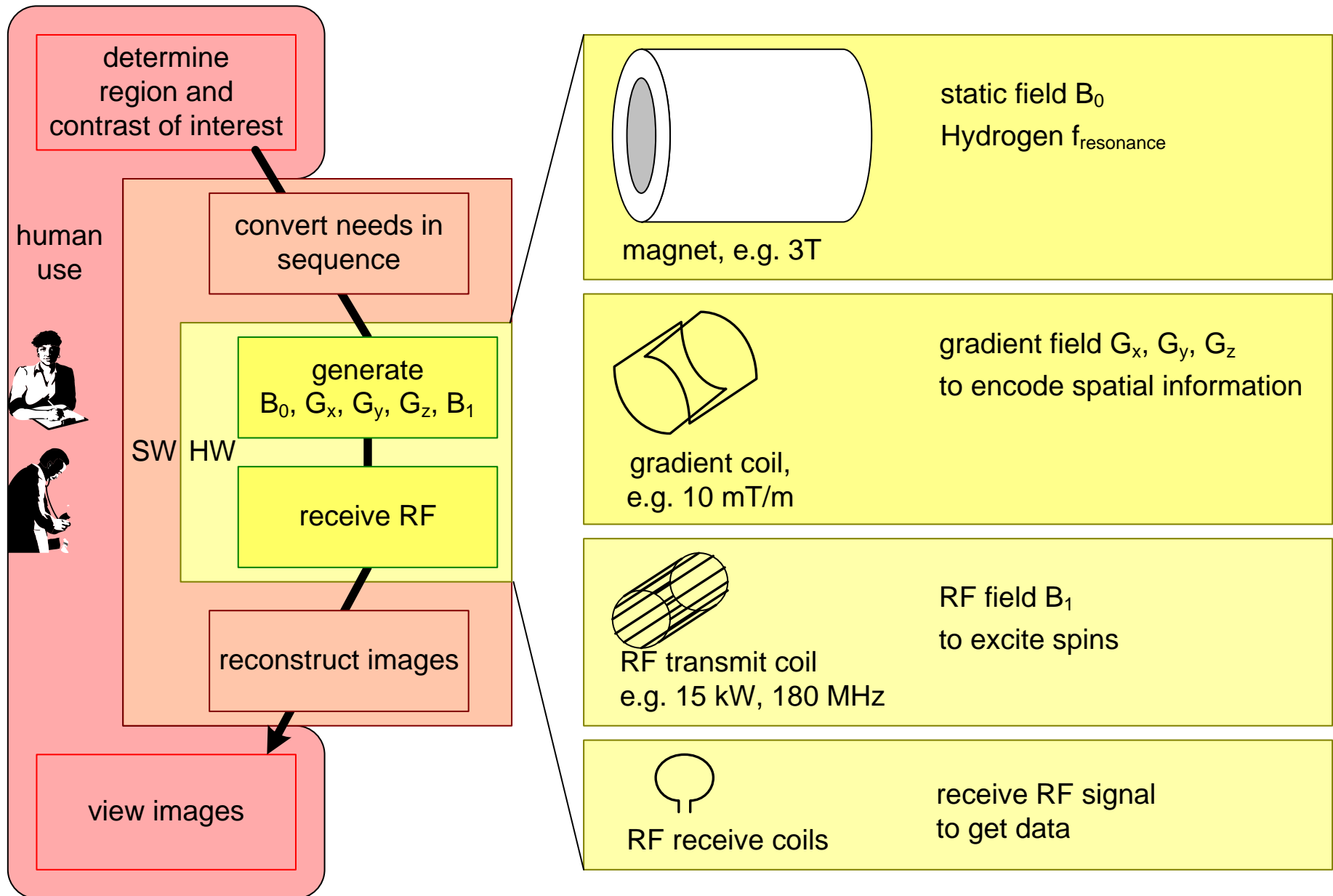
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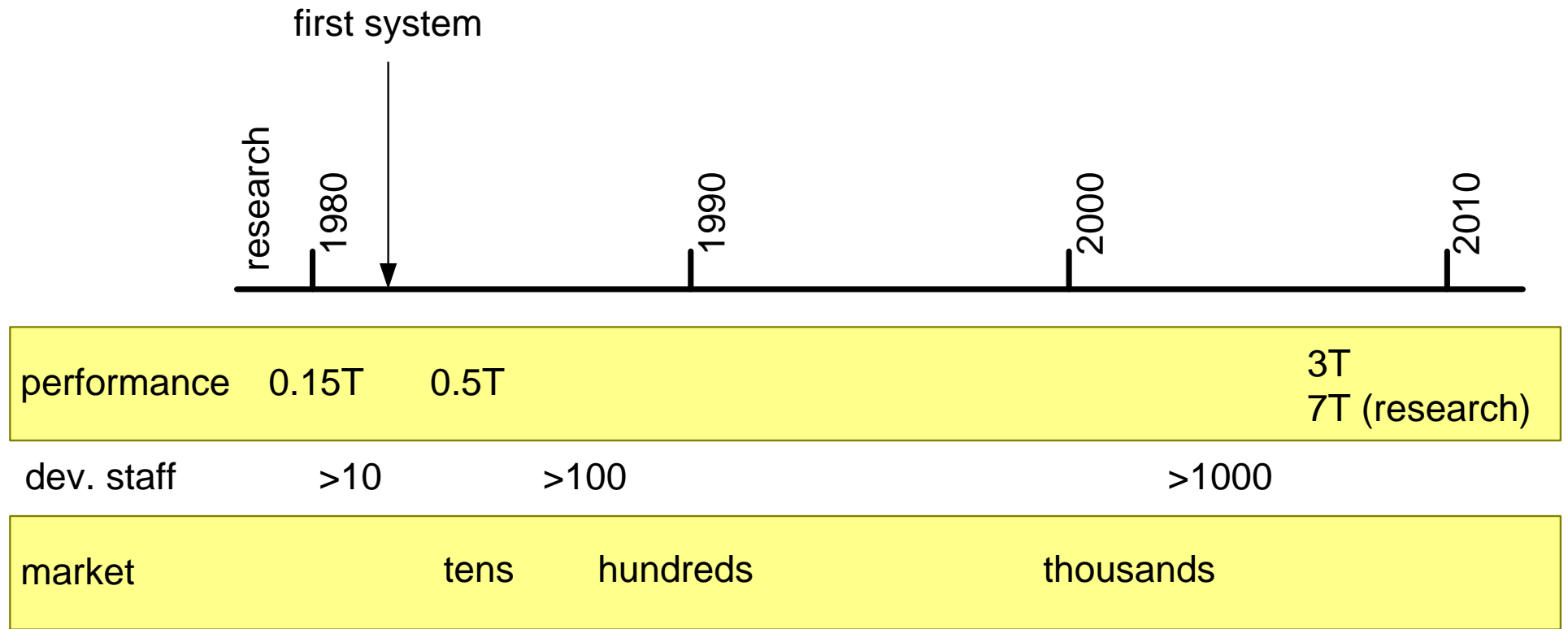
Case: Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)



MRI Basic Principles



MRI History



How much knowledge has been accumulated (implicitly)?

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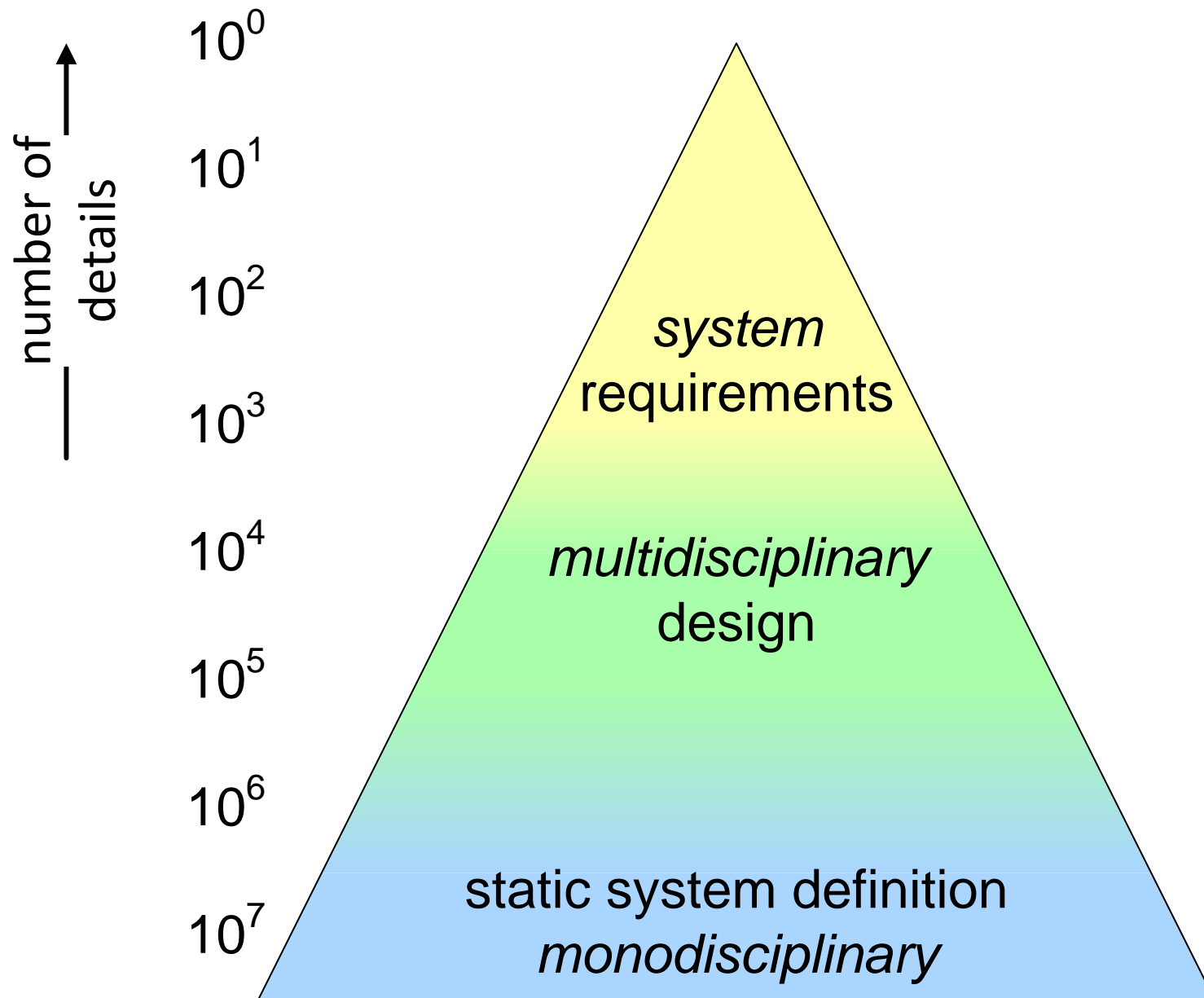
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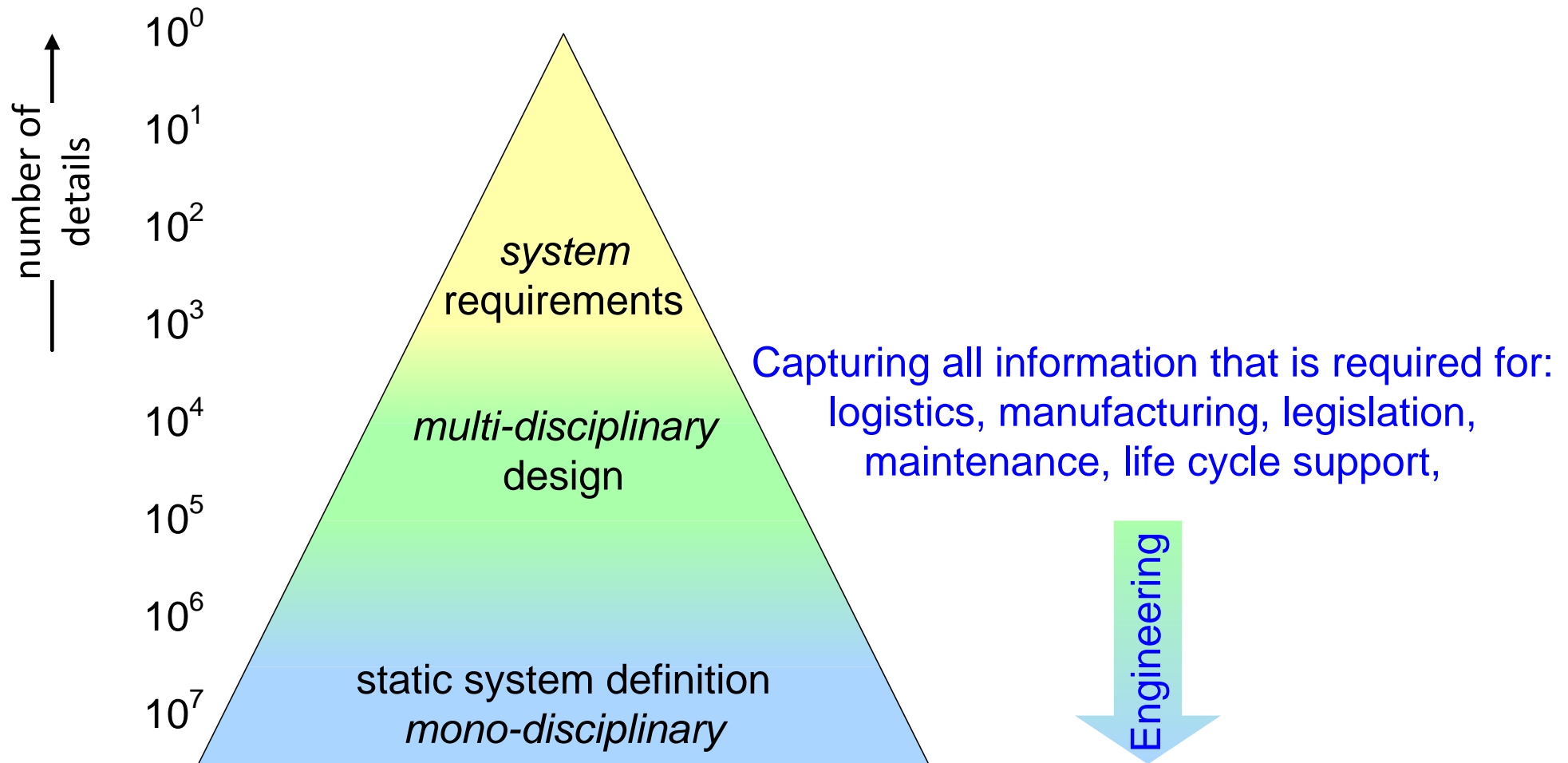
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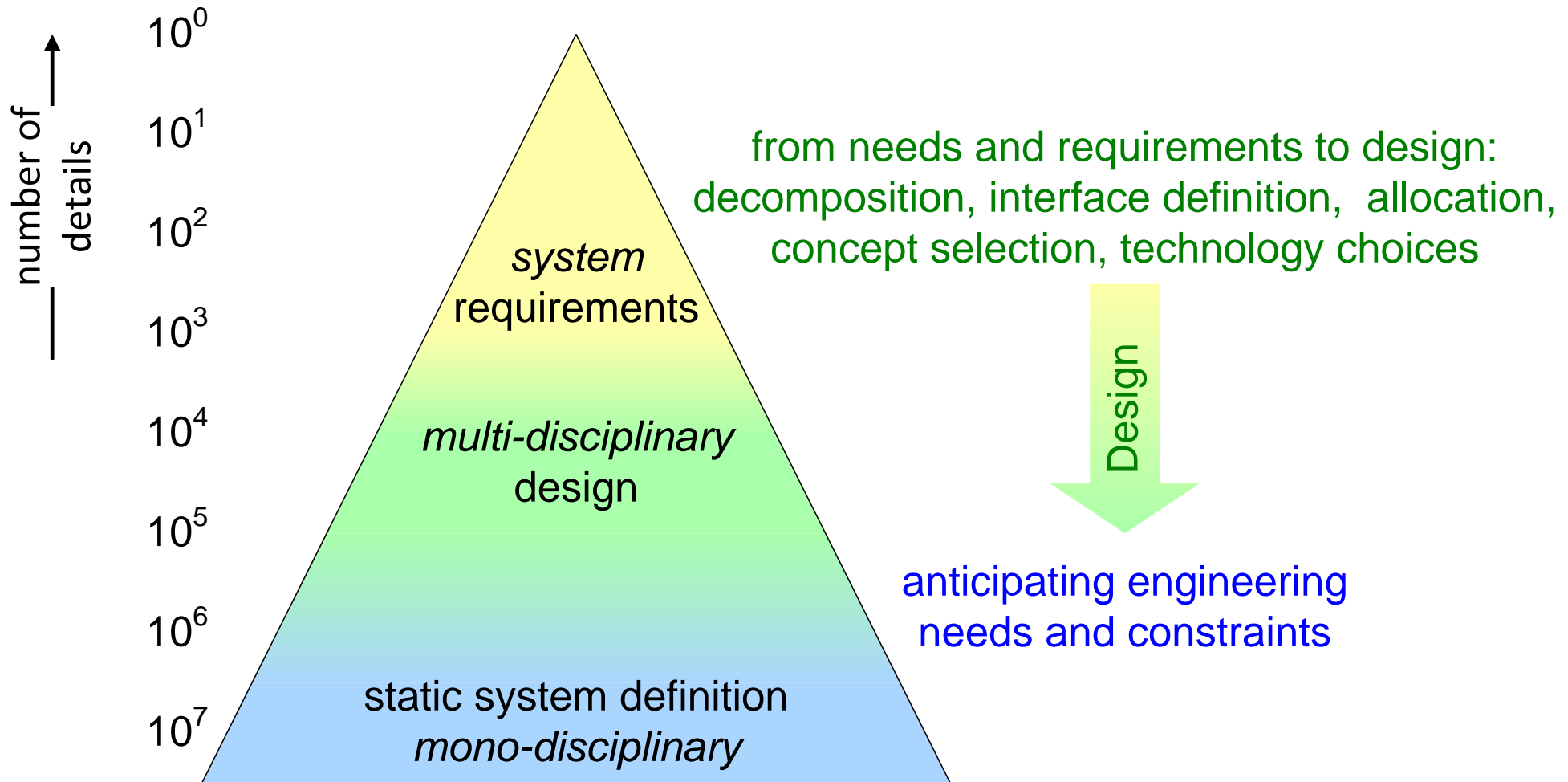
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Level of Abstraction Single System

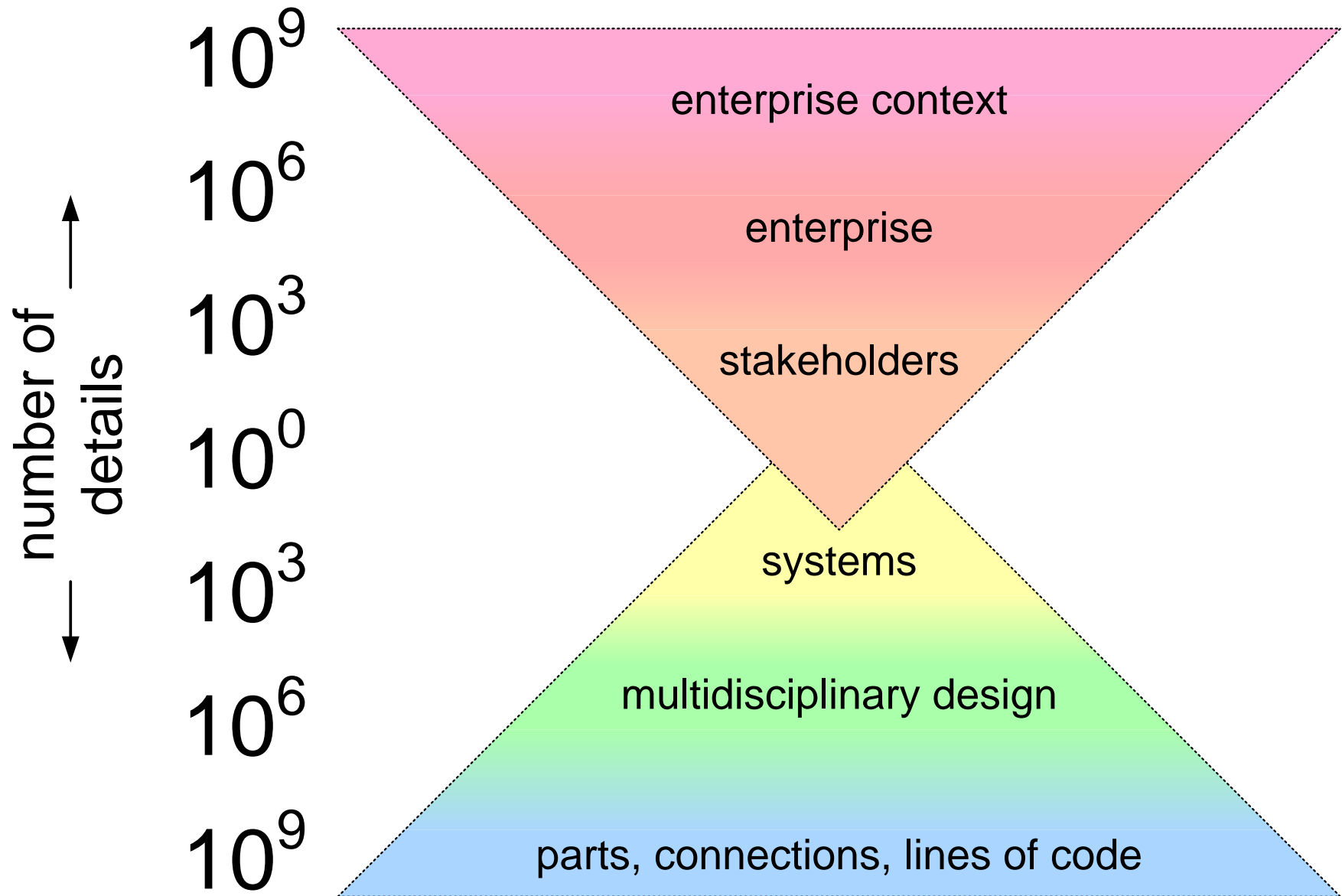




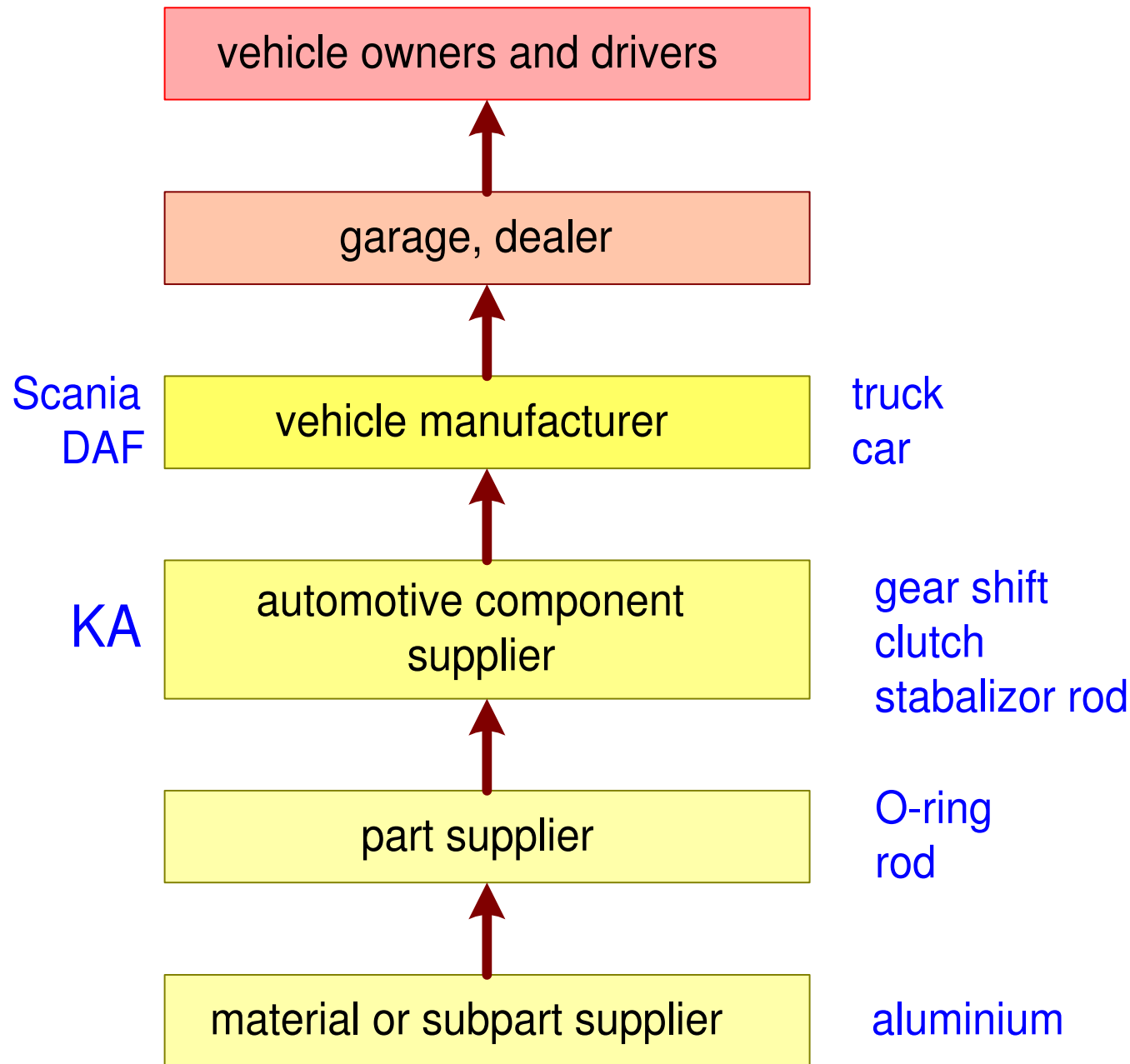
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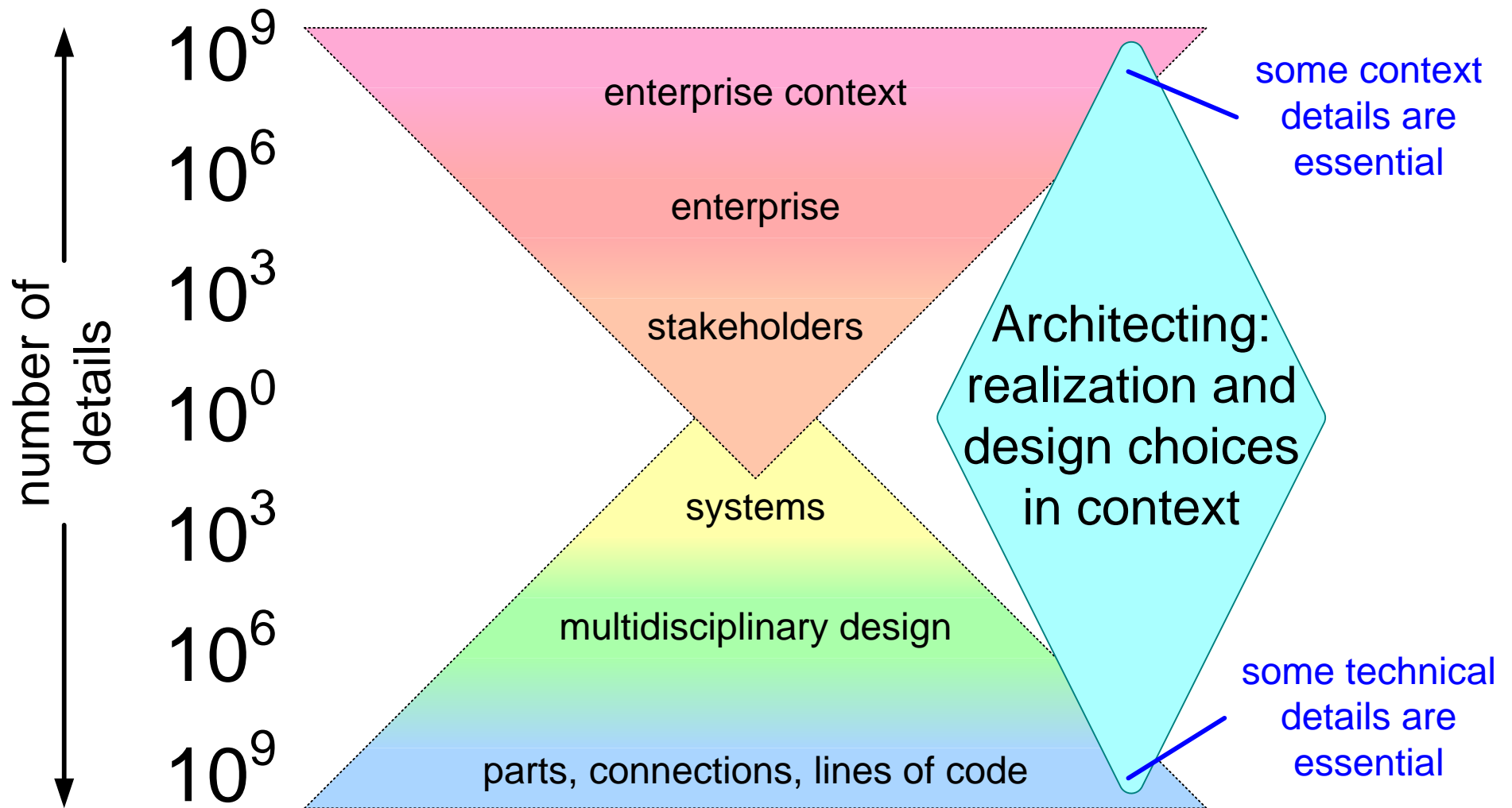
Product Family in Context



Example from Automotive



Architecting



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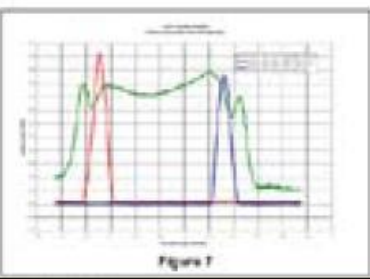
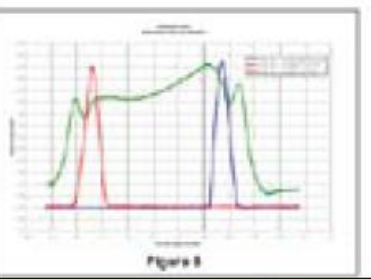
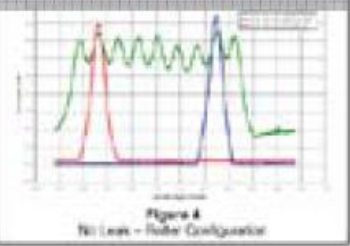
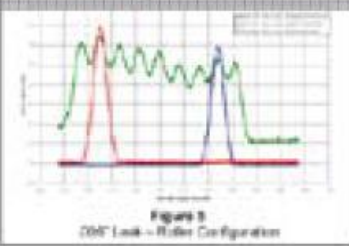
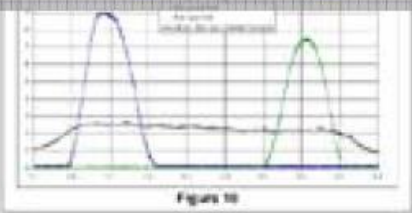
The Design Handbook Idea

Toyota:

- + let experts capture their expertise
- + in such way that fits their mental model
- + compact and digestable:
 - A3 format
- + the collection of A3's is a design handbook
- + practical, low overhead

Example of Capturing Design Knowledge

Knowledge Based Design – Case Study

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		TEST RESULTS		
Subject: Dual Load Cell Compressor Guides		PRODUCT LINE: TestWare		
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<p>Test Results K-Briefs are used to communicate the results of specific tests performed during the prototyping, post development testing, or problem resolution phase of product development.</p> <p>TEST OBJECTIVE: To test the difference between a solid guide and a segmented roller guide design with the load cell behind the bot.</p> <p>TEST DESCRIPTION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A standard compressor machine converted to a dual load cell configuration (Figure 1) After initial tests were completed the machine was converted to a solid guide configuration (Figure 2) A pressure transducer was fitted to the container top to measure the internal pressure of the container (Figure 3) <p>OBSERVATIONS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aligning rollers to get the same extension is 				
 <p>Figure 1 Segmented Roller Design</p>		<p>data a significant difference is easily observed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The data from the solid guide configuration is less clear cut. The test machine had very rudimentary adjustment capability, but appeared to be reasonably well adjusted. The collected data however seems to suggest that the conveyors were not parallel. Adjustments require a coordinated adjustment of the guides, load cell protrusion, and load cell calibration. Gaps between the guides and roller appear to allow rapid changes in the internal pressure that are not symmetrical, and introduce issues with how the load cell data is averaged (Figure 5) There is a difference in the internal pressure profiles for a roller (Figure 7) and non-roller (Figure 8), but they are not as obvious. 		
 <p>Figure 2 Solid Guide Configuration</p>		 <p>Figure 7</p>  <p>Figure 8</p>		
<p>Rollers/belts vs. chains/slides were tested. Both were equal performance – rollers/belts had less friction and therefore required a smaller less expensive drive motor.</p>				
 <p>Figure 4 No Leak - Roller Configuration</p>		 <p>Figure 5 0.0% Leak - Roller Configuration</p>		
		 <p>Figure 10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rolls for the solid guide design have these tests is less reliable as there was not enough power to drive the belts under a significant load The solid guide design needs more study when a PSI becomes available for testing. 		

source: Ron Marsiglio

www.lppde.org/conferences/2008-presentations/2008RonMarsiglio.pdf

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High Level Problem Statement

Installed Base Business
Life Cycle Management

costly
high effort

*diversity and # of
configurations*

Development efficiency

costly
high effort
too late

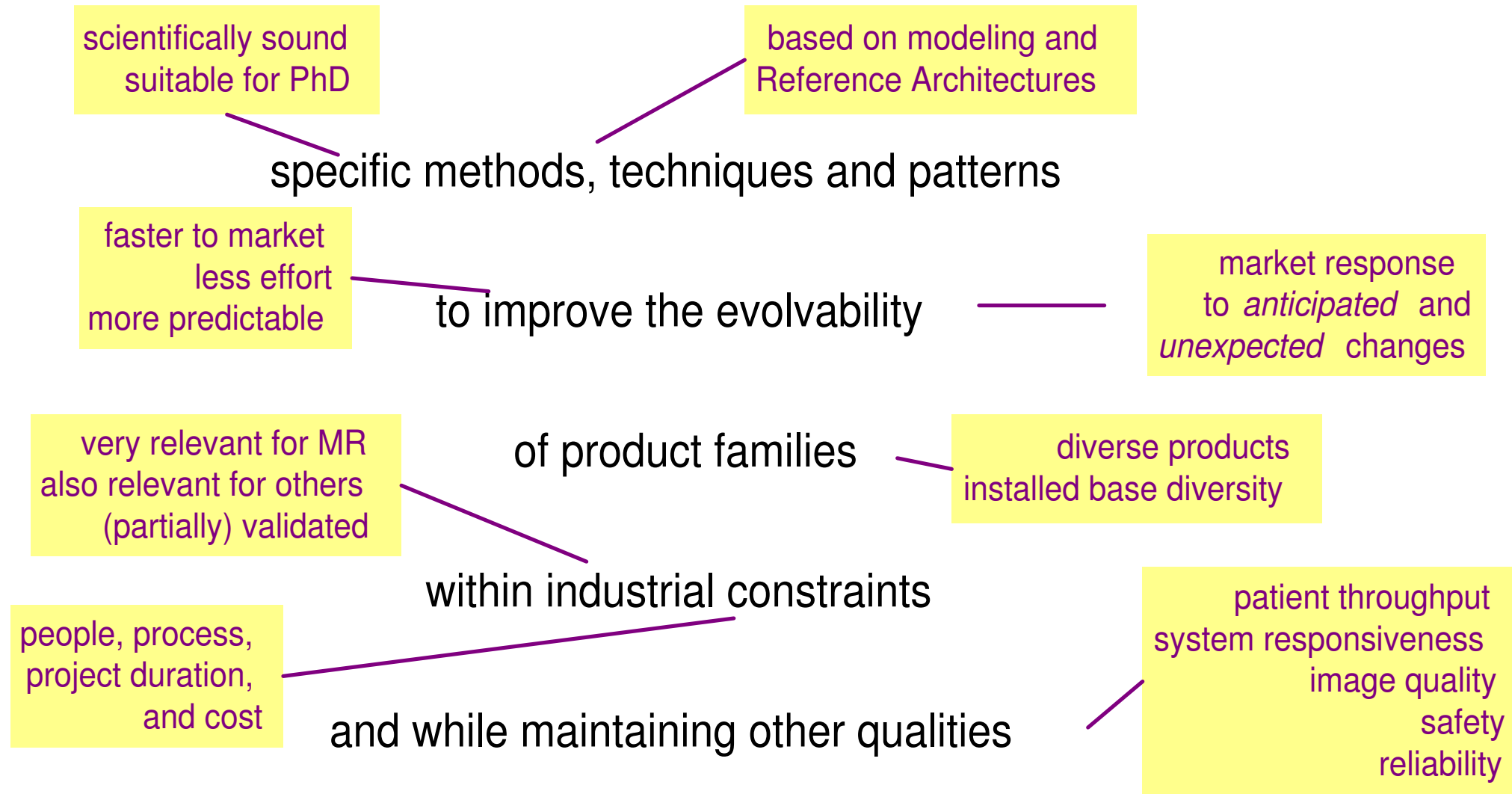
Innovation rate

too low
too late

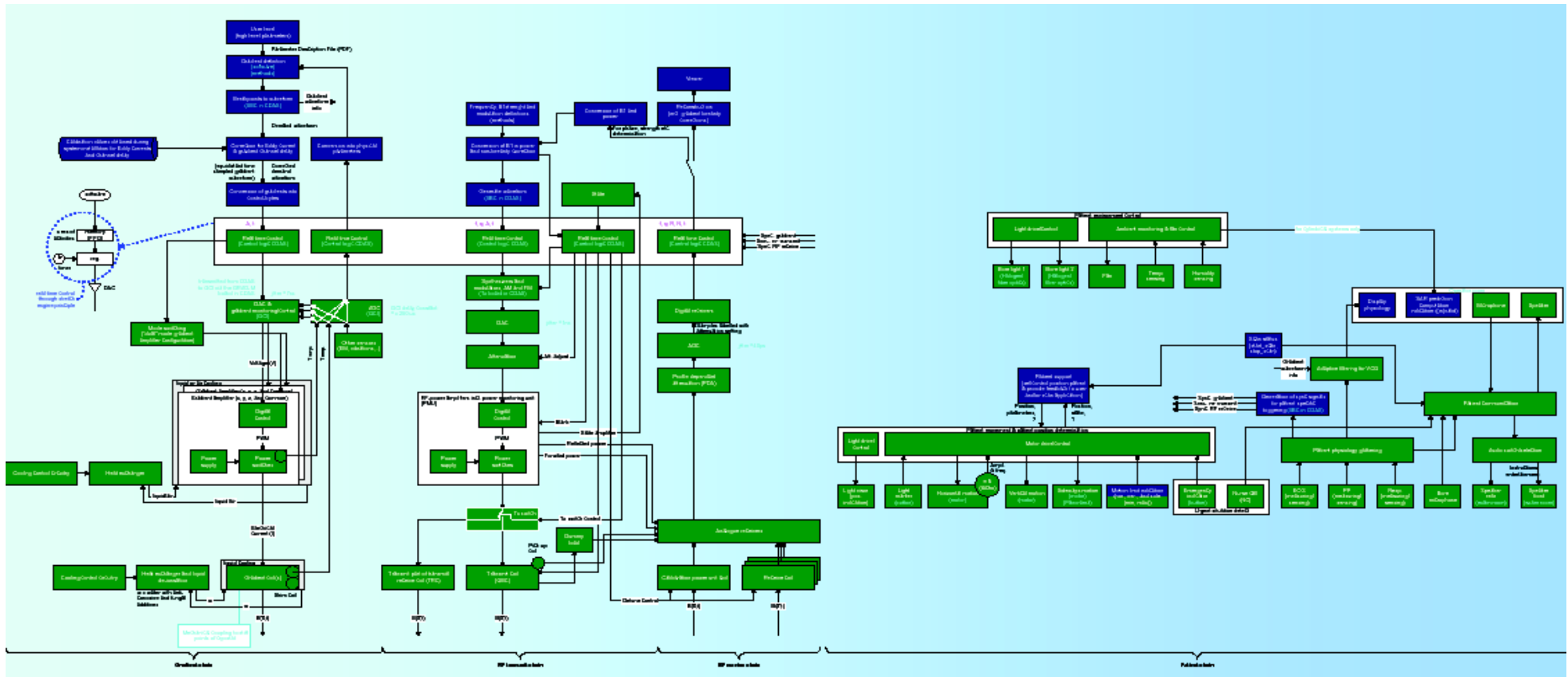


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Darwin Project Goal



and Functional Overview



Modeling workshops:

time-boxed

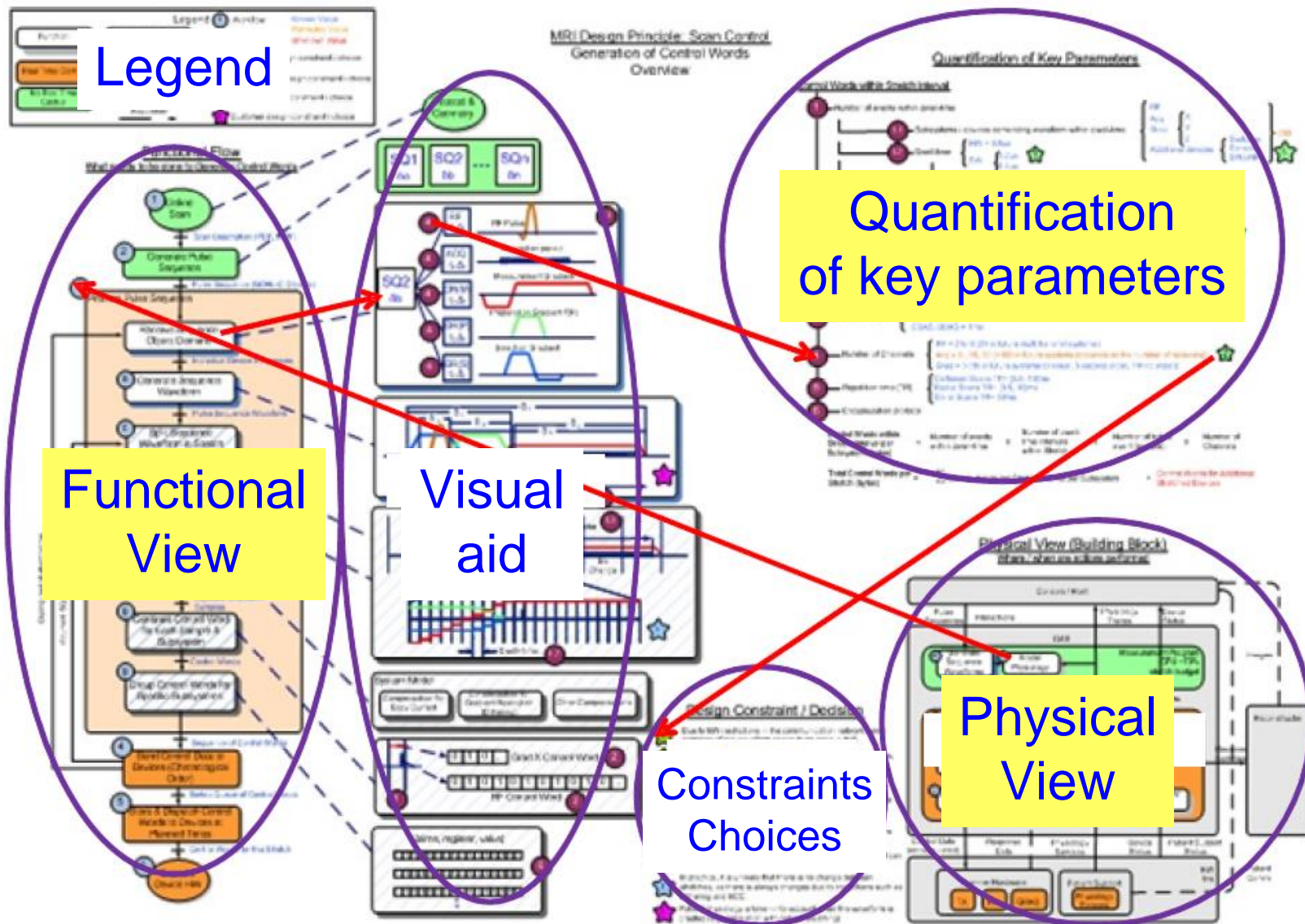
multi-view

usage and life cycle context

determine key drivers

measure and quantify

A3 Example Architecture Overview



A3 Architecture Overviews Focusing architectural knowledge to support evolution of complex systems
 by: Daniel Borches and Maarten Bonnema, INCOSE 2010

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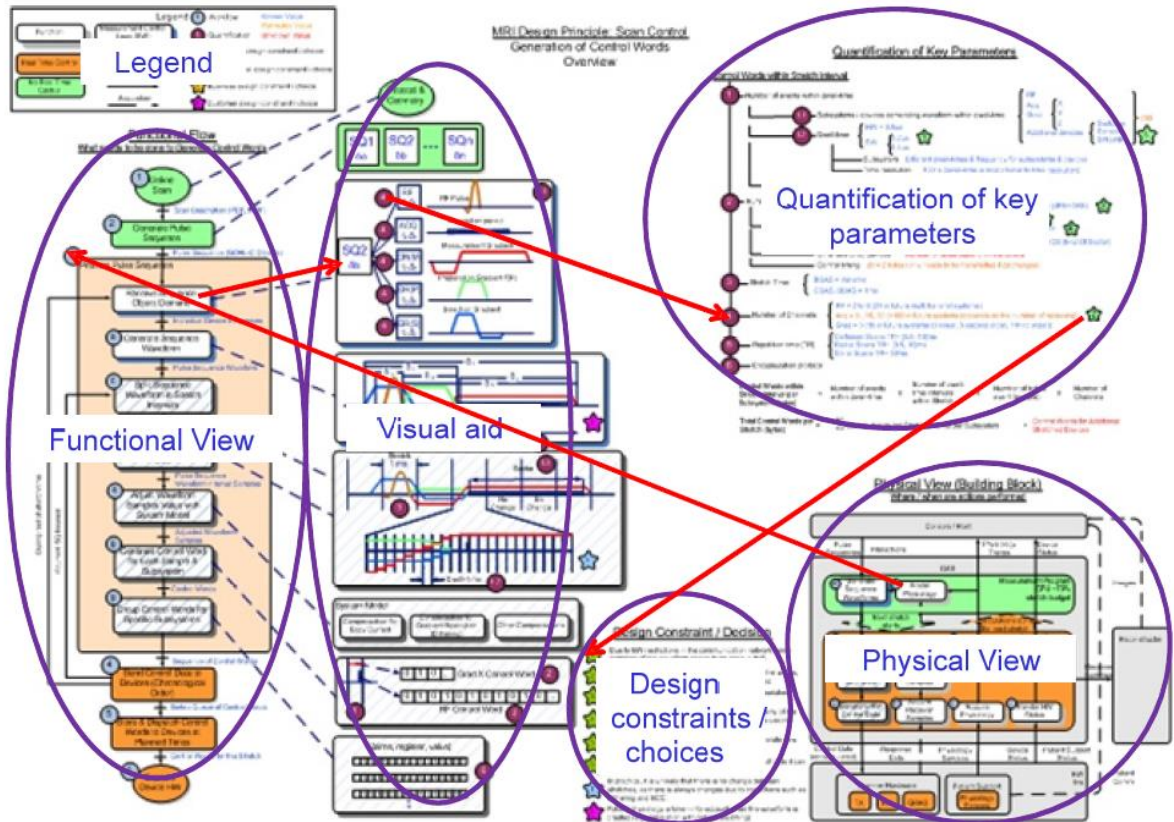
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multiple related views

quantifications

one topic per A3

capture "hot" topics



source: PhD thesis Daniel Borches <http://doc.utwente.nl/75284/>

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(size limitation)

practical
close to stakeholder experience

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