

# Gaudi Project; from Incremental Growth towards Publication

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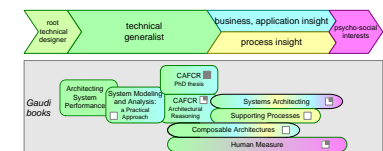
## Abstract

The Gaudí project has been ongoing for 10 years. The philosophy of the project is described, and the status after 10 years of incremental development. Next challenge is to consolidate some of the work in the form of published book.

### Distribution

This article or presentation is written as part of the Gaudí project. The Gaudí project philosophy is to improve by obtaining frequent feedback. Frequent feedback is pursued by an open creation process. This document is published as intermediate or nearly mature version to get feedback. Further distribution is allowed as long as the document remains complete and unchanged.

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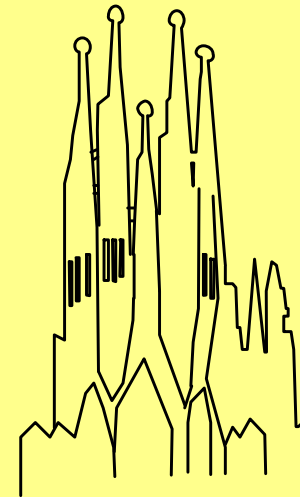
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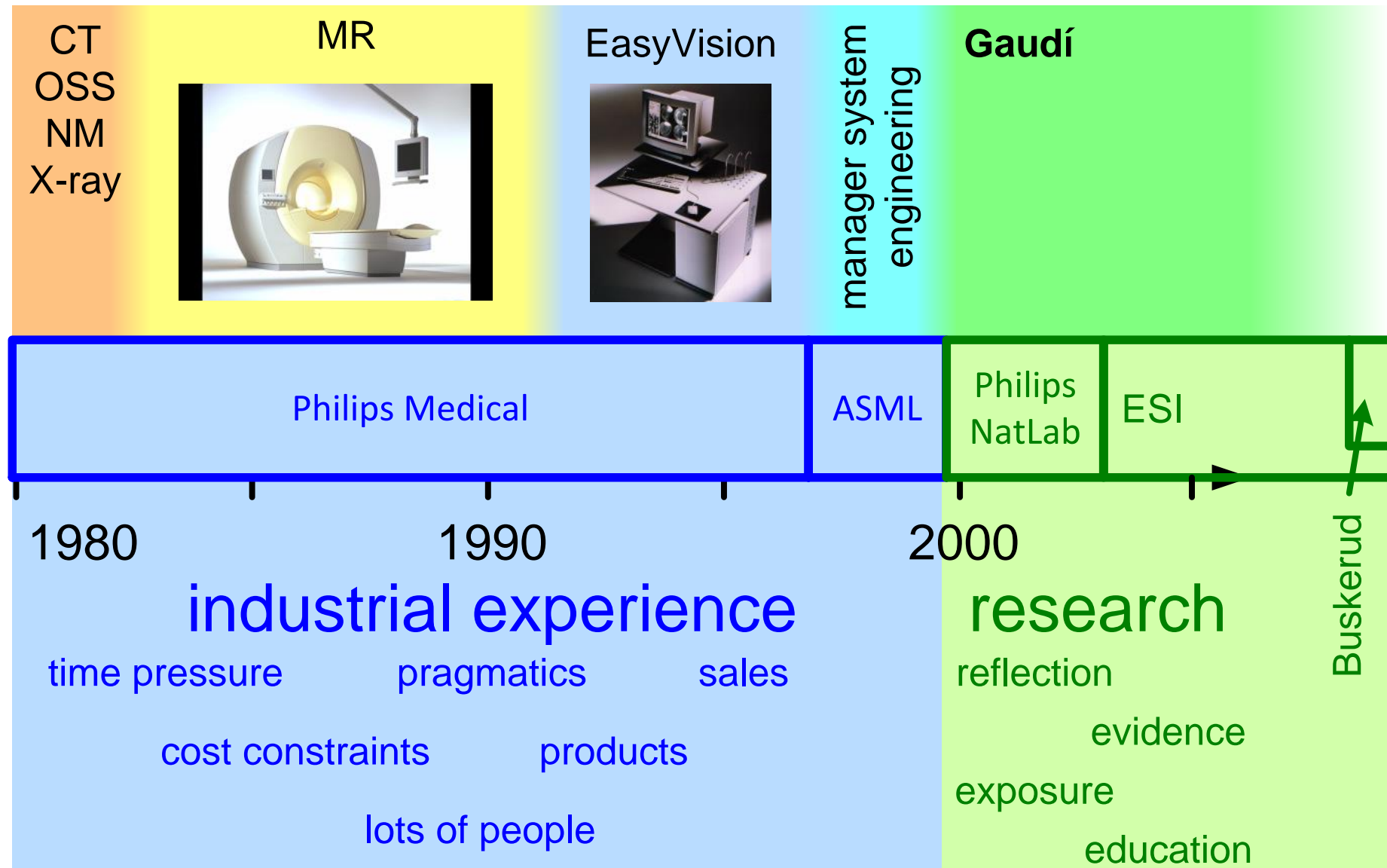
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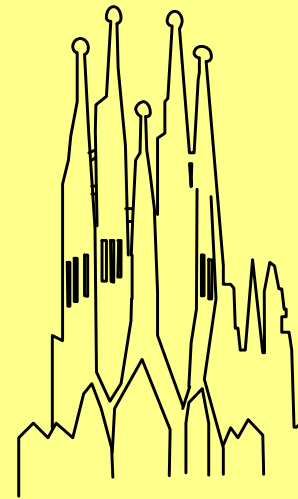
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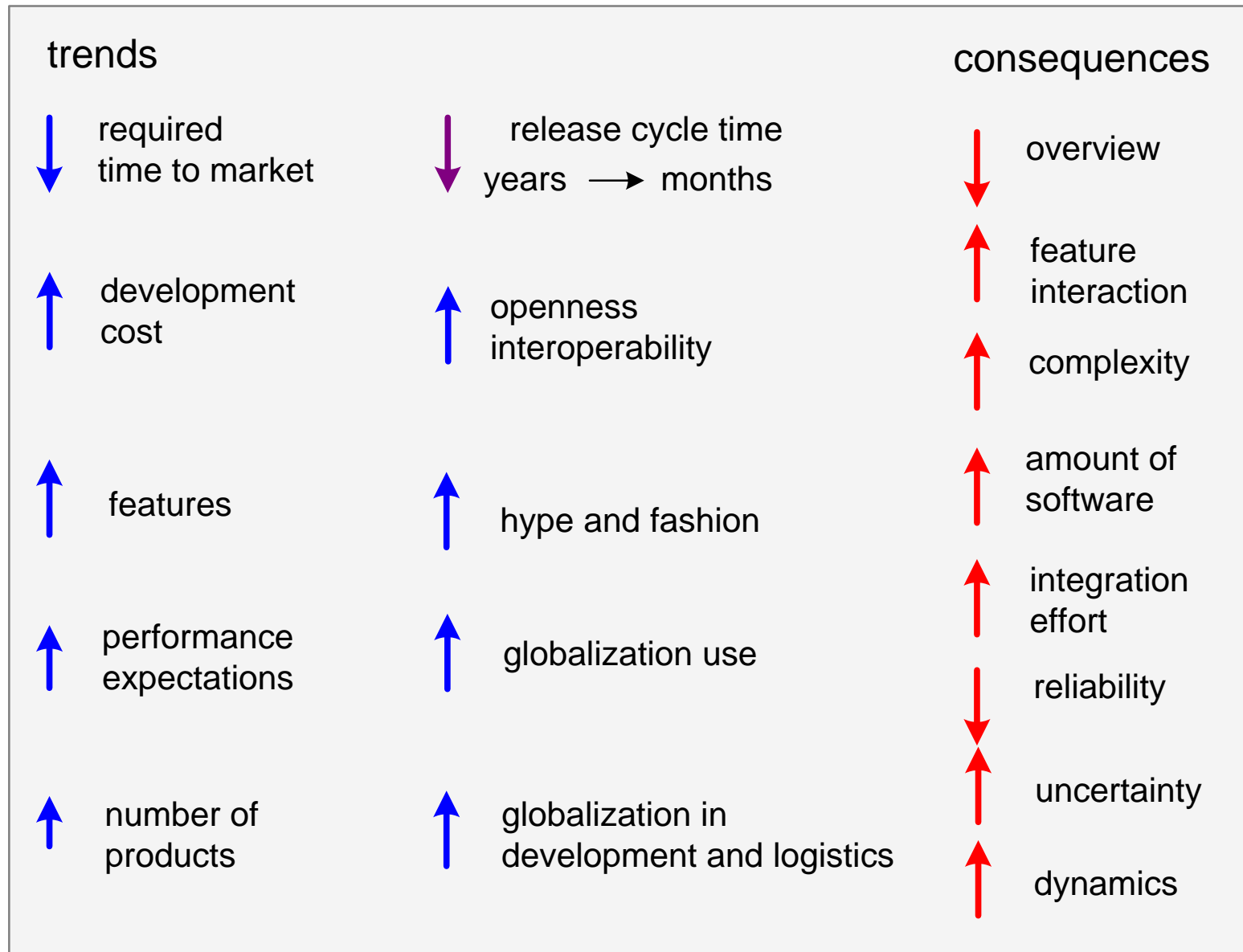
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# Companies need more Systems People!



# Goals of the Gaudí Project

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- Consolidate existing Systems Architecting Methods  
*evaluate, reflect, generalize*
- Make the Systems Architecting art more accessible  
*case descriptions*
- Enable the education of (future) System Architects  
*curriculum, course material*
- Research new or improved Systems Architecting Methods  
*industry as laboratory*

# Gaudisite.nl home page

The screenshot shows the Gaudisite.nl homepage in a Mozilla Firefox browser window. The page has a yellow header with the site logo and title. A left sidebar contains a navigation menu. The main content area includes a Google search bar, a welcome message, and sections for 'Background, Books and Courses', 'Gaudi Project', 'Books', and 'Courses'. A 'Most Recent Changes' section lists updates with dates and titles. A 'Down load top 10' section lists the top 10 documents with their titles and hit counts.

**Navigation**

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**Books**

- System Architecting
- PhD Thesis
- Architectural Reasoning
- overview of all books

**Courses**

- System Architecting

**Major Books and Courses**

**Most recent changes**

Date	Change	Location	Hits	Title
2009-09-11	new	at BUC Master Systems Engineering	15449	Book: System Architecting
	new	at BUC Master Systems Engineering	12450	Paper: What is a Process
	new	at BUC Master Systems Engineering	9624	Book: Architectural reasoning explained
	new	at BUC Master Systems Engineering	9366	Paper: The System Architecting
	new	at BUC Master Systems Engineering	8971	Paper: The Role and Task
	new	at BUC Master Systems Engineering	7696	Book: CAFCR: A Multi-view Architecting; Balancing Ge
2009-08-18	new	at Buskerud University College	7112	Paper: Roadmapping
	new	at Buskerud University College	6634	Paper: Process Decompos
2009-08-07	new	at Modeling and Analysis Course (MA)	5137	Paper: Case Study: Medic Platform
	update	at Buskerud University College	4779	Paper: The Product Creation Process
2009-05-13	new	at Buskerud University		

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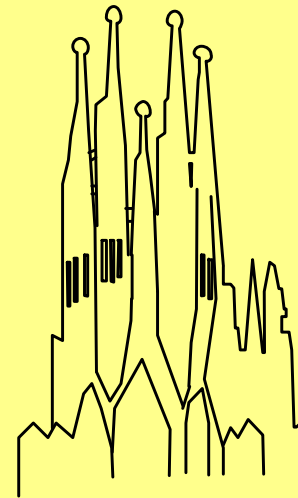
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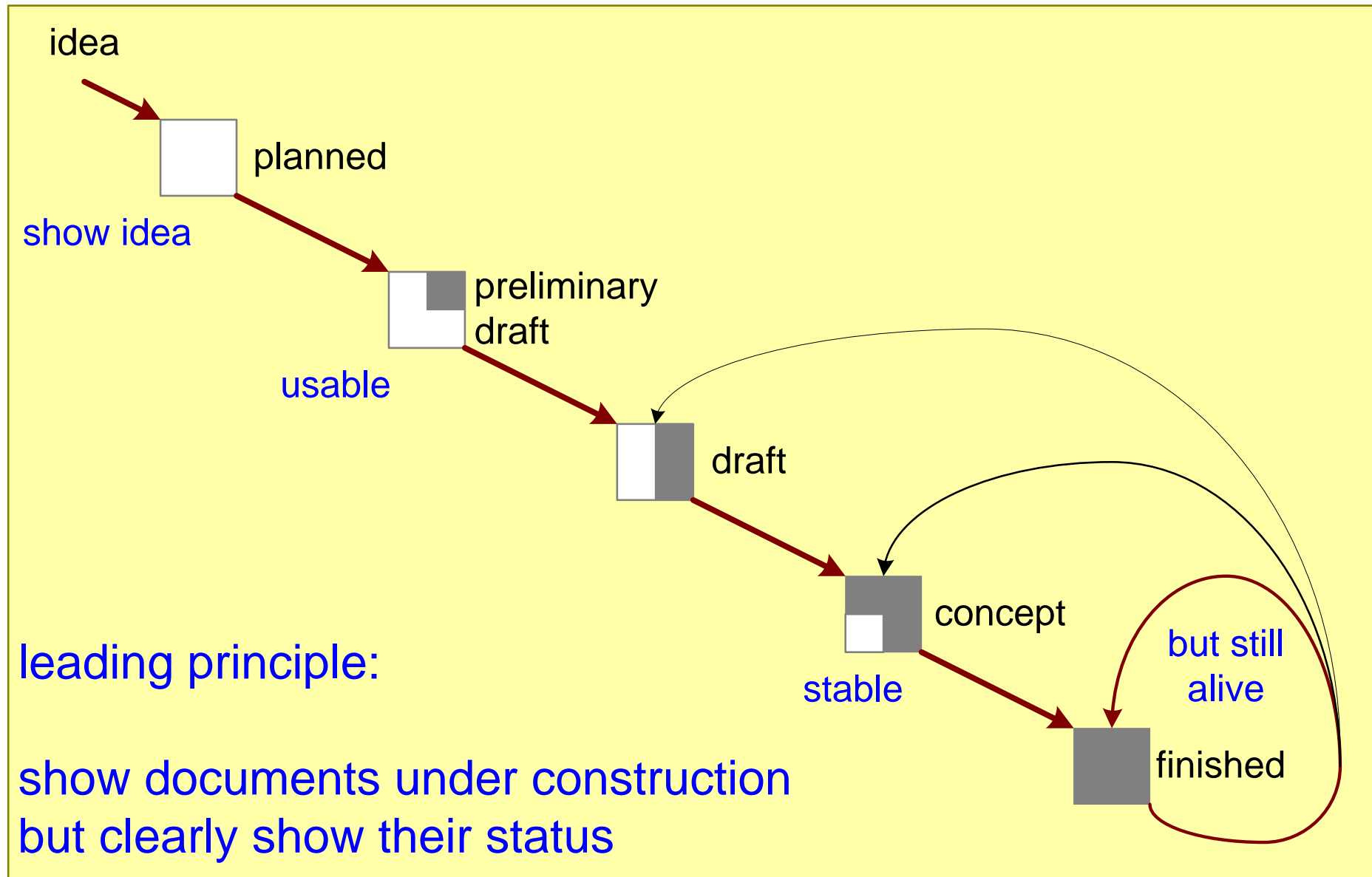
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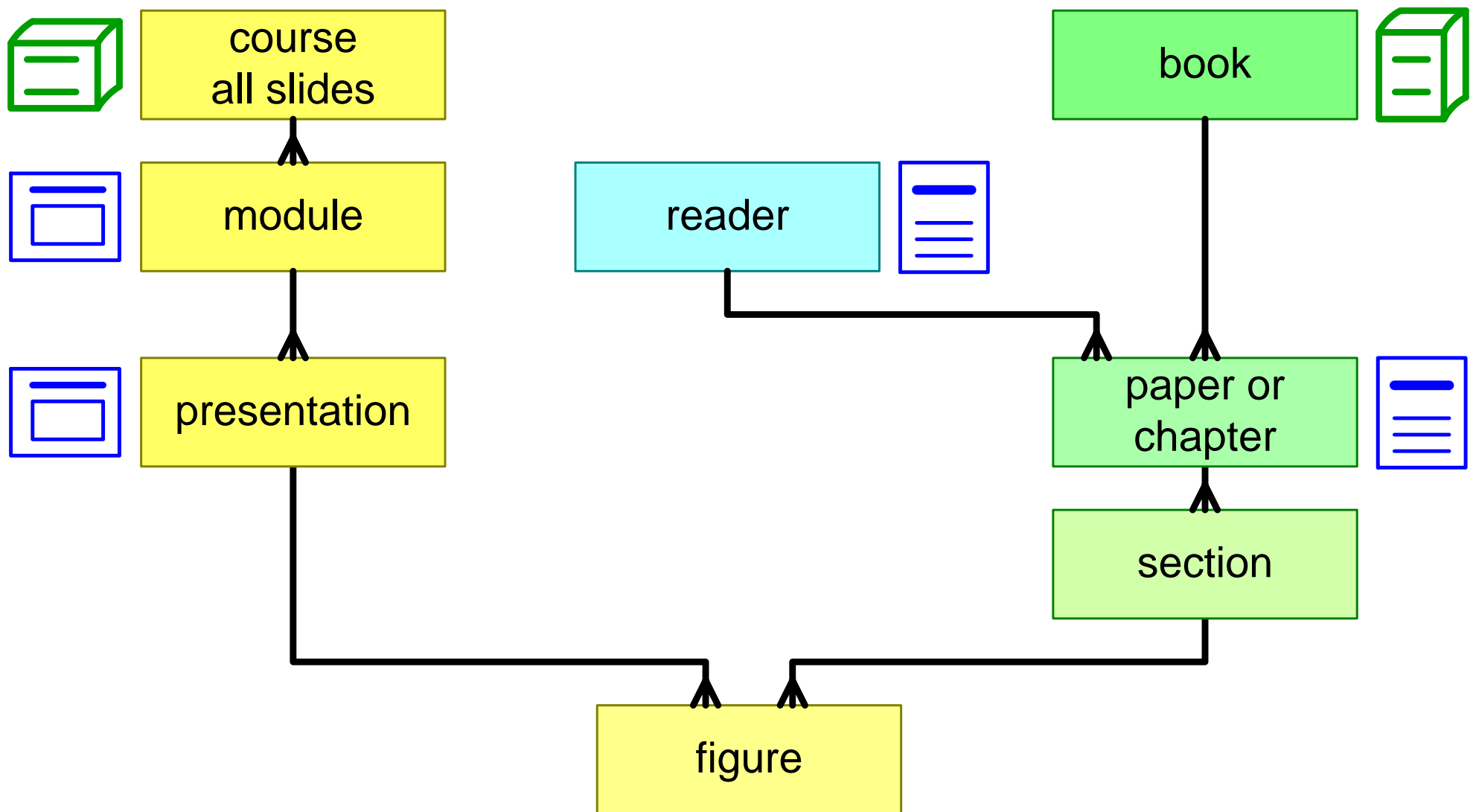


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# Show Early to Get Feedback



# Modular approach



# Example Book “Systems Architecting”

The screenshot shows the Gaudi System Architecting website in Mozilla Firefox. The website has a left sidebar with a navigation menu and a main content area with a table of contents. Annotations with blue arrows point to specific items in the table of contents:

- Book Systems Architecting** points to the "System Architecting" entry in the table of contents.
- Paper Process Decomposition** points to the "Process Decomposition of a Business" entry in the "Processes" section.
- Slides Process Decomposition** points to the "Process Decomposition of a Business" entry in the "Processes" section.
- Link document meta information Process Decomposition** points to the "Process Decomposition of a Business" entry in the "Processes" section.

The table of contents is organized into several sections:

- System Architecting**
  - System Architecting
  - System Architecture: The Silver Bullet?
- Processes**
  - Process Decomposition of a Business
  - What is a Process
  - The Product Creation Process
  - The Importance of Feedback for Architecture
  - The System Architecture Process
- The System Architect as a Person**
  - The Awakening of a System Architect
  - The Role and Task of the System Architect
  - Function Profiles; The sheep with 7 legs
  - Architecting Interaction Styles
- Market, Requirements, Roadmapping**
  - Requirements
  - The role of roadmapping in the strategy process
  - Roadmapping
  - Market Product lifecycle consequences for architecting
- Product Families, Generics and Software**
  - Product Families and Generic Aspects
  - Product Family Business Analysis and Definition
  - Role of Software in Complex Systems
- Management and Architects**
  - The Tense Relation between Architect and Manager
  - How to present architecture issues to higher management
  - Simplistic Financial Computations for System Architects.
  - How to appraise or assess an architect?
- Systems Architecting Related**
  - Tutorial Software as Integrating Technology in Complex Systems
  - Role of Systems Architecting in Innovation
  - What is a Good Requirement Specification?
  - The Informal Nature of Systems Engineering
  - From Autonomous Subsystems to Integrated System Architecting and Standardization

The sidebar menu includes: Home, Reading Guide, Gaudi project, Books, Courses, Case studies, System Architecting Links, Doctoral Dissertations, Python Links, Reviewed Publications, Recent Changes, Pictorial index, Statistics of the Gaudi website, Map of Gaudi papers, Map of Gaudi slides, Buskerud University College, Embedded Systems Institute, Personal Information, Website tools, and Source files.

# Example Document “Process Decomposition”

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## Process Decomposition of a Business

**abstract** This article positions the system architecture process in a wider business context. It is intended to help understanding the processes in which system architects (or team of system architects) is involved.

It focuses on an organization that creates and builds systems consisting of hardware and software. Although other product areas such as solution providers, services, courseware, et cetera also need system architects, the process structure will deviate from the structure as presented here.

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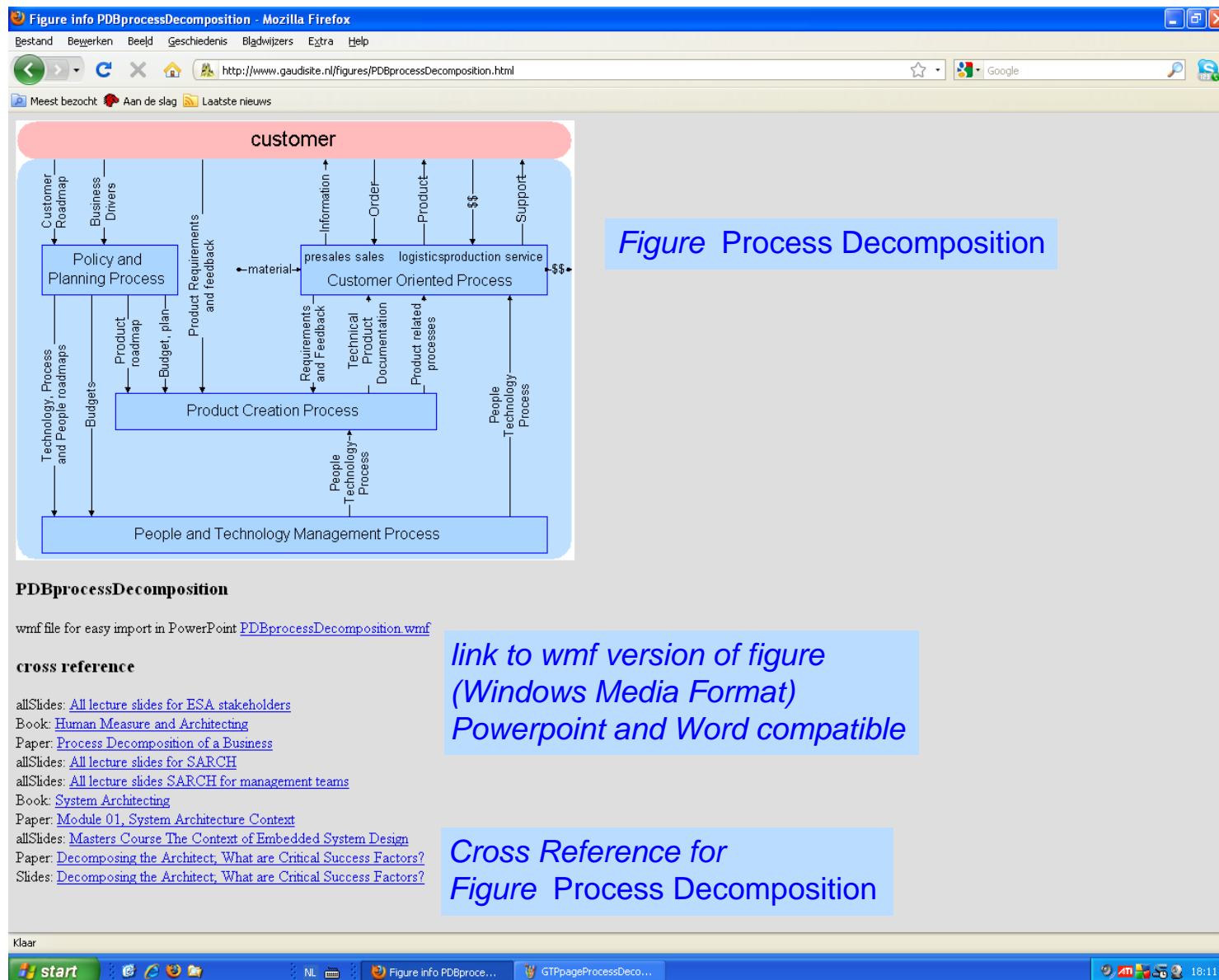
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**figures**

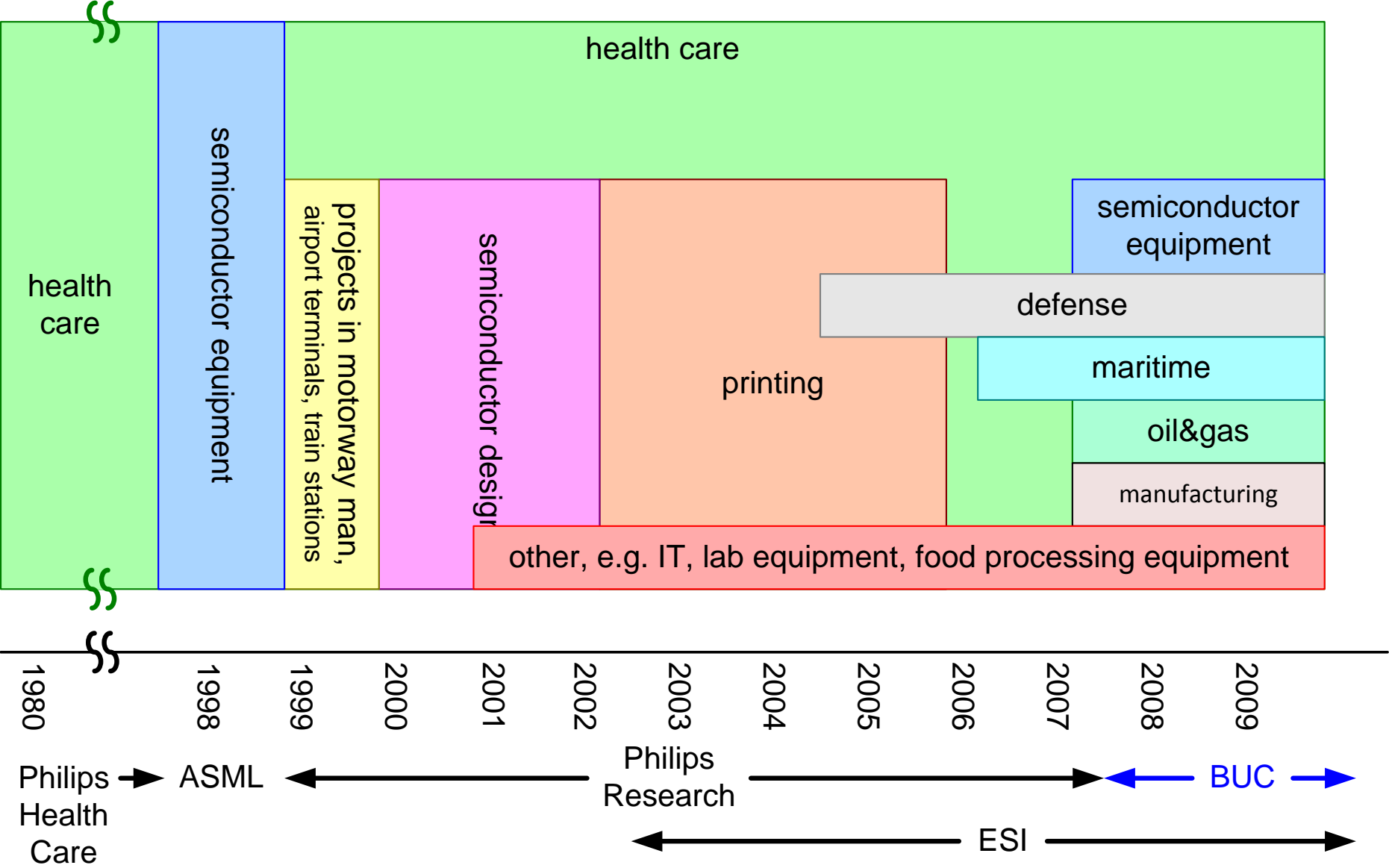
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*Figure Process Decomposition*

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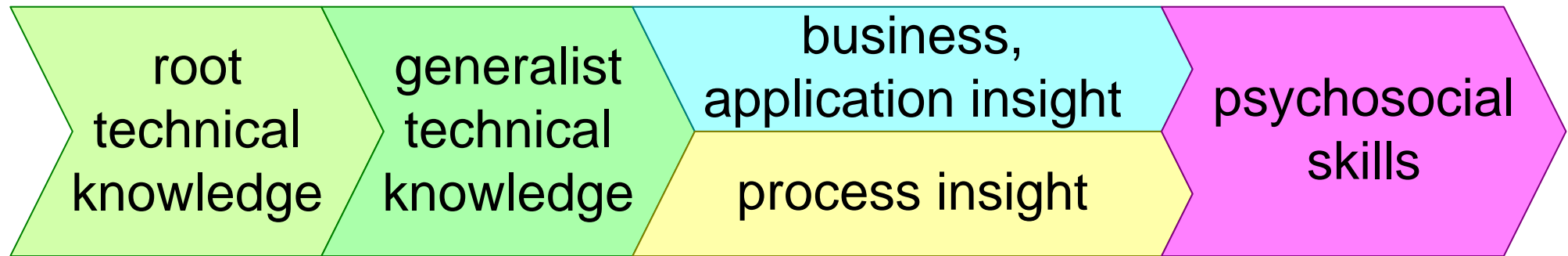


# Leading Domains



# Growth of the System Architect

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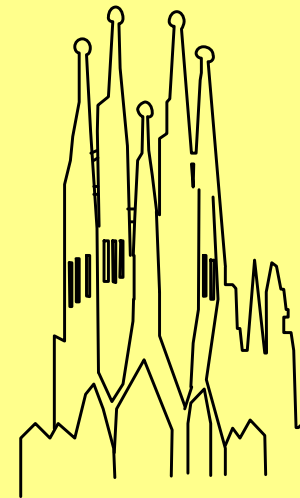
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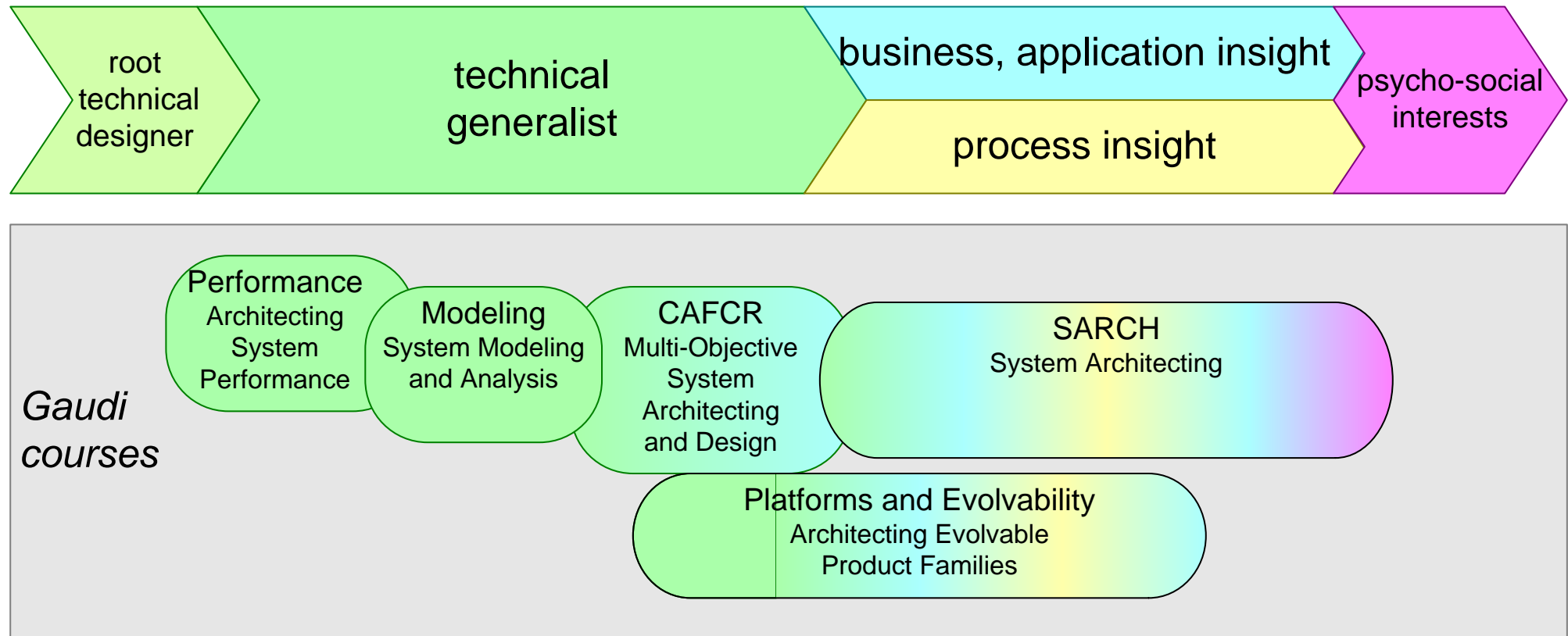
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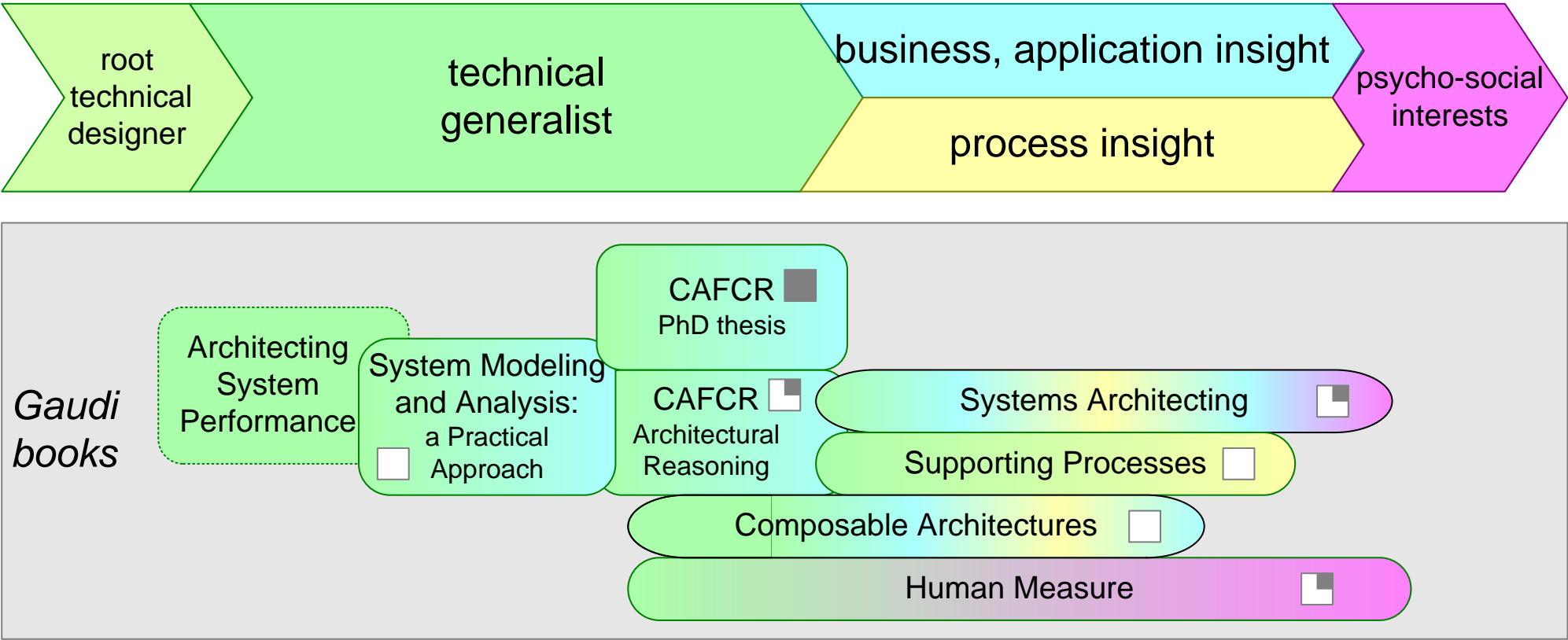


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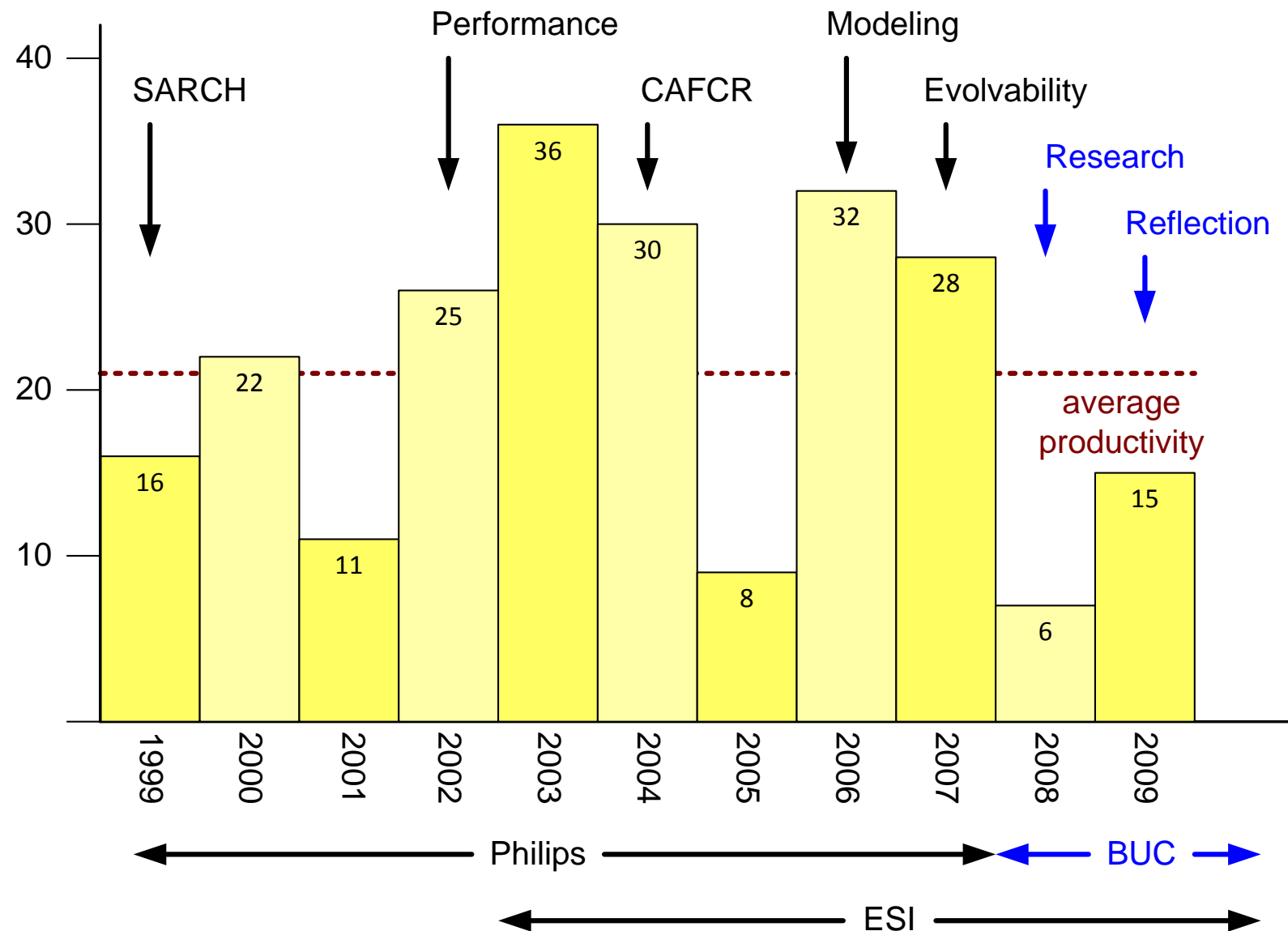
# Positioning Courses



# Positioning Books



# Productivity: number of new entries



# Different Perspectives

<i>industrial perspective</i>	<i>academic perspective</i>
valuable useful industrial relevance of subject	new original scientific relevance of subject
goal, solution oriented how to ——— practical broad integral	knowledge oriented ——— deep why, what
other contributors are reviewers single author clear responsibility	including reviewers all contributors are authors
pointers to related relevant information	pointers to related scientific work ——— self citations are not-done
clear description juicy description understandable lots of signal, very low noise level	clear argumentation every statement is supported by reference, verifiable facts ——— blocks broadly interested scientists in development correct language clear positioning, well linked in with existing scientific work strong cultural filter in scientific magazines and conferences

## *productivity*

low overhead (e.g. reviews)

few constraints (e.g. academic musts)

immediate feedback (especially through courses)

80/20 principle (80% of value in 20% of effort)

no territorial problems (co-authors)

free choice of tooling (Visio, Latex, Python)

modular, incremental and evolutionary approach

## *value*

practitioners appreciate info

academics appreciate info

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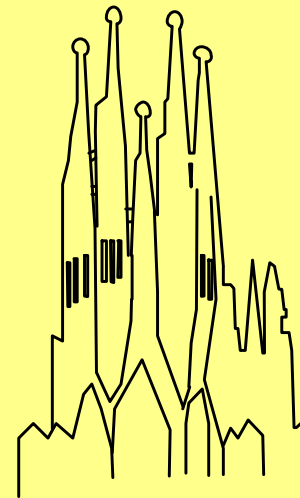
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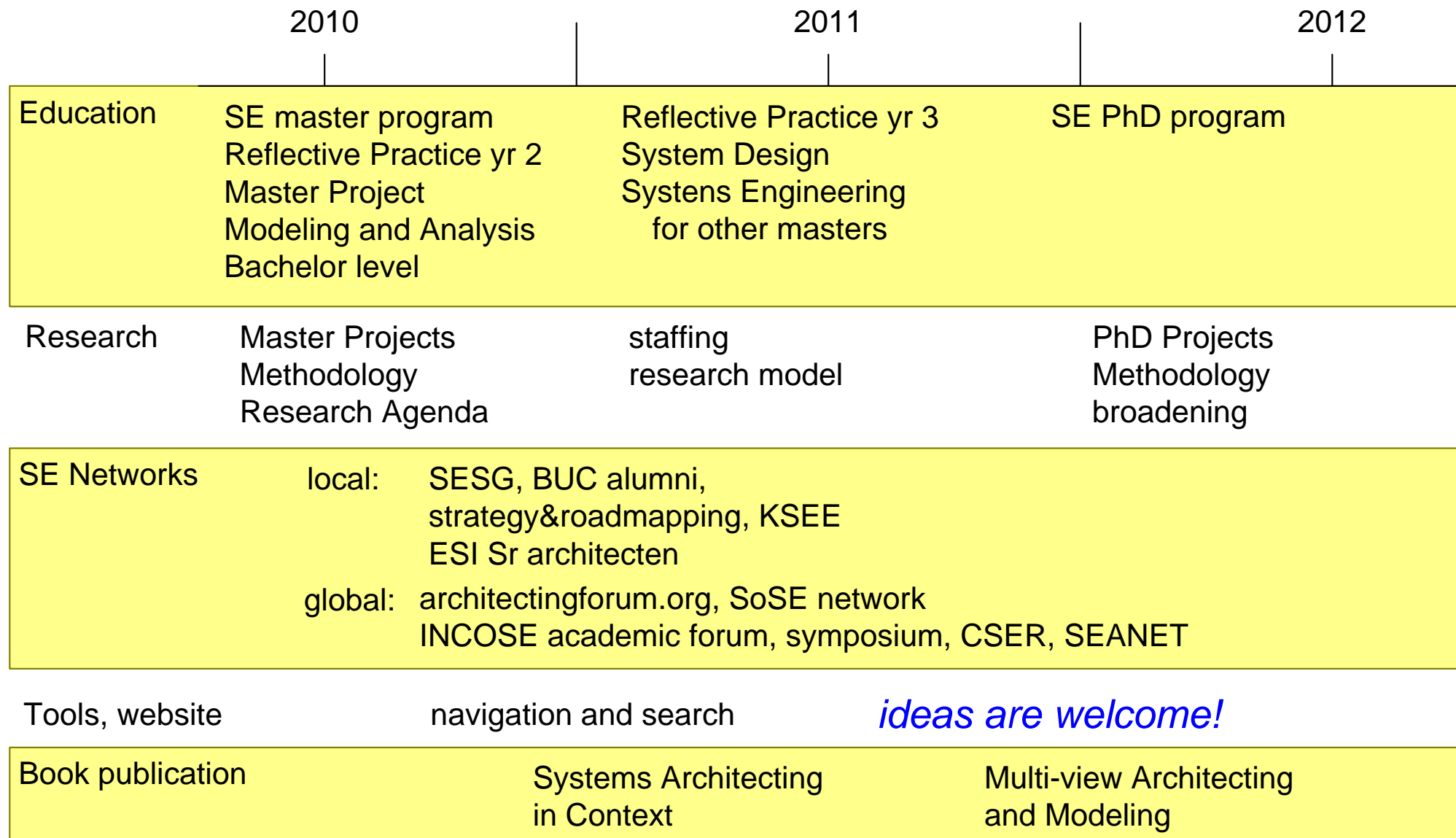
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# Ideas for Near Future



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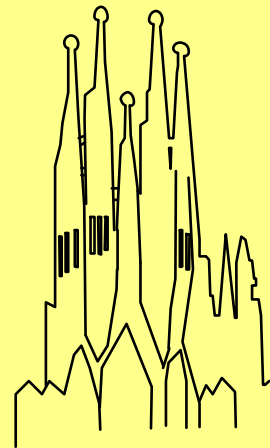
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# Stakeholders

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## *Publisher*

acquisition

sales

support

## *Author*

## *Readers*

industrial system engineers

(junior..senior..fellow)

managers

(e.g. project leader, line manager)

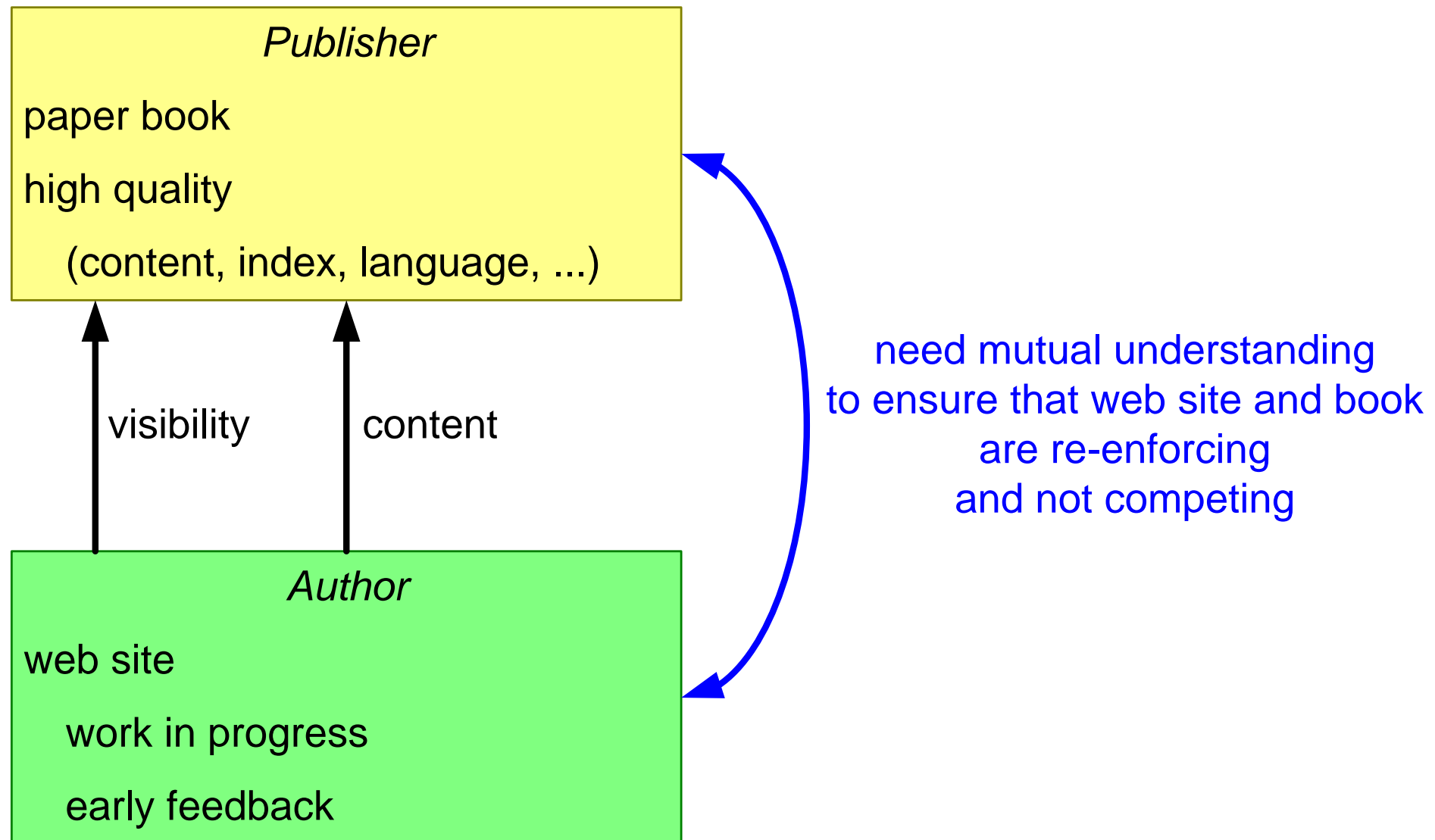
students

(bachelor, master, PhD)

academics

(e.g. professor, teacher, researcher)

# Value Proposition



1. How does systems architecting fit in the **organization** and its **processes**?
2. **What** are **deliverables**, **responsibilities** and **activities** of the system architect?
3. How to **elicit requirements**?
4. What **methods**, **tools** and **techniques** are available for the architect?
5. How to anticipate on **future needs**, **trends**, and **changes**?
6. How to **harvest synergy**?
7. How to **present** to less technical **management teams**?
8. What **human factors** impact systems architecting?
9. How to **apply** this material in the own **organization**, short term and long term.

## *to do*

find publisher, agree on approach

integrate all chapters  
remove duplications  
make consistent  
determine order  
unify terminology

add foreword, glossary, index, ...

improve language quality

ensure greylevel quality images

## *current status*



1 chapter



8 chapters



7 chapters



4 chapters



0 chapters

# Conclusions

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Open development yields high productivity.

Feedback mainly through teaching and presentations.

Practitioners appreciate material.

Academics appreciate material, but don't know how to cope with unconventional model.

The final 20% to finish is a lot of work.

Paper books will be around for a few more decades.

**Your feedback is highly appreciated and always welcome!**