

SYSTEMS ENGINEERING AND RESEARCH

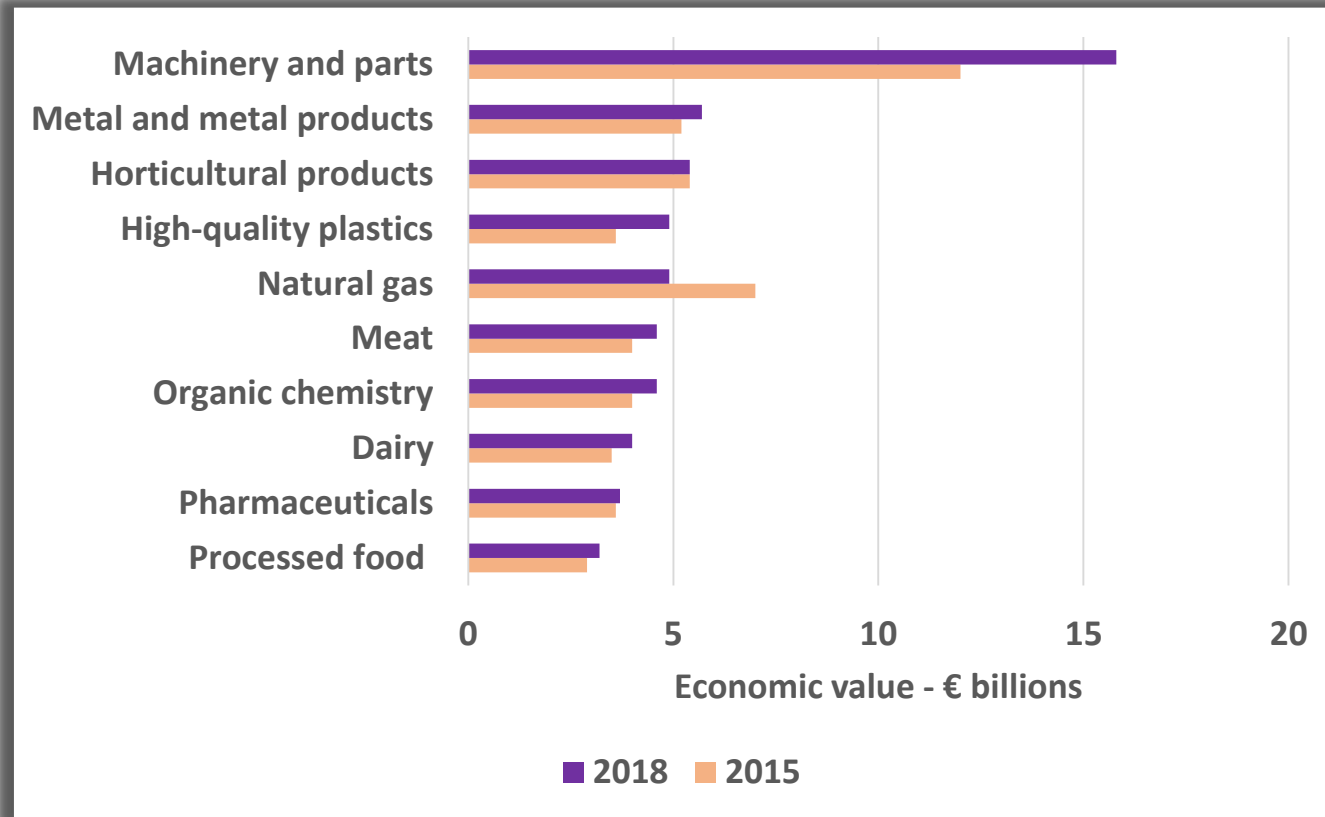
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Highest earning exports of The Netherlands (released 5 Nov 2019)



ESI at a glance

Mission: *Embedding leading edge methodologies into the Dutch high-tech systems industry to cope with the ever increasing complexity of their products.*

Synopsis

- ❑ Foundation ESI started in 2002
- ❑ ESI acquired by TNO per January 2013
- ❑ ~55 staff members, many with extensive industrial experience
- ❑ 5 Part-time Professors
- ❑ Working at industry locations
- ❑ From embedded systems innovation to embedding innovation

Focus

Managing complexity of high-tech systems

through

- system architecting,
- system reasoning and
- model-driven engineering

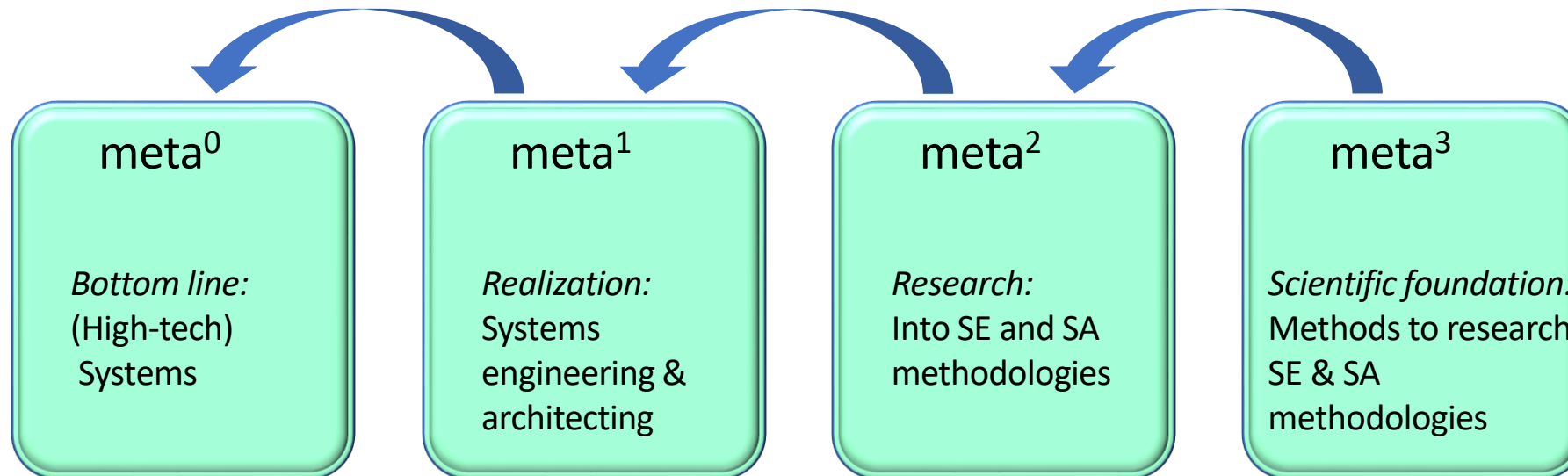
delivering

- methodologies validated in cutting-edge industrial practice

Partner Board

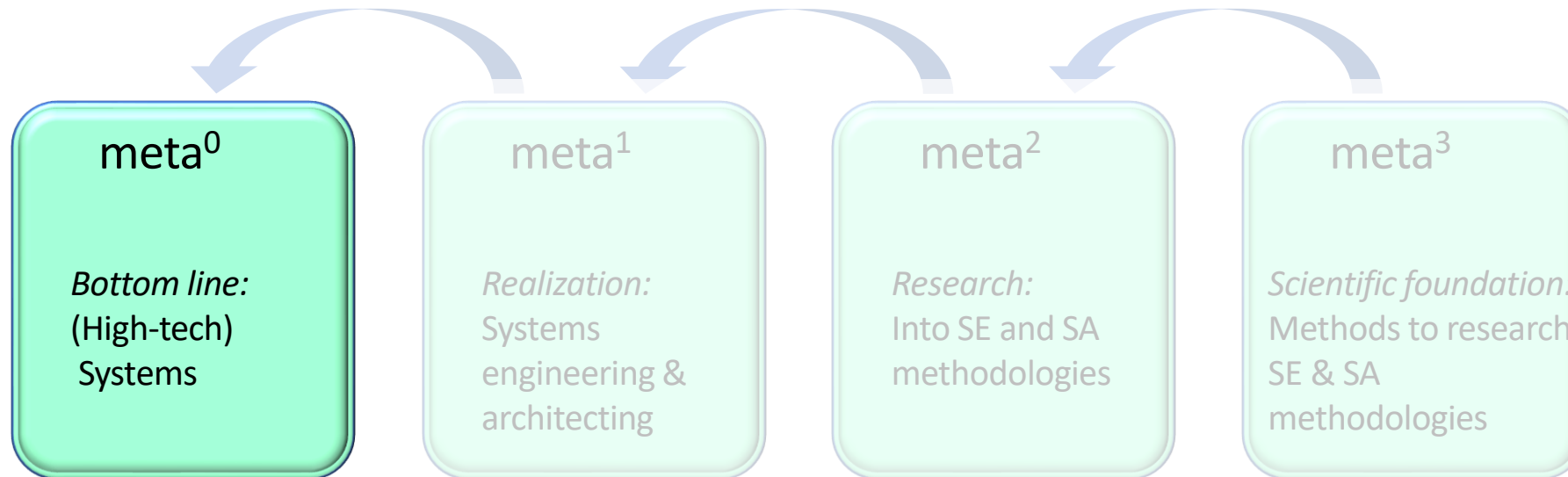


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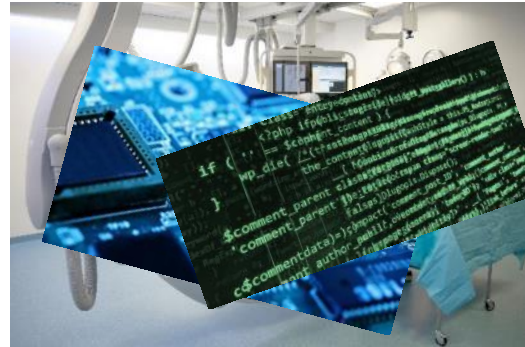


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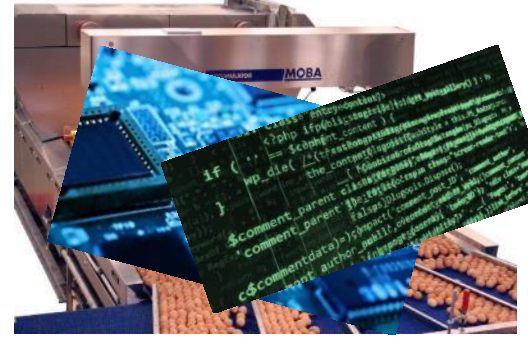
High-tech Systems



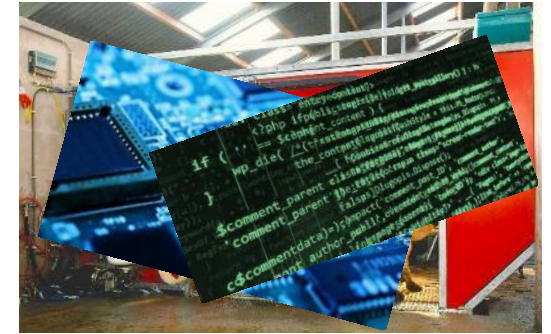
Semiconductor manufacturing equipment



Medical systems



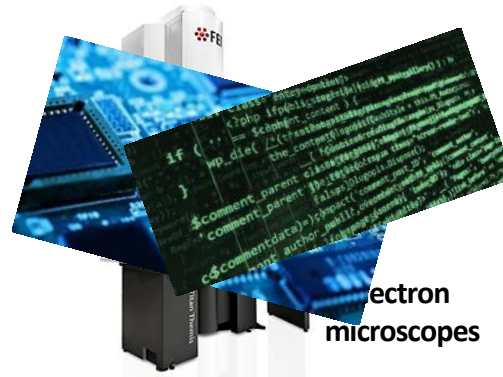
Food processing



Agricultural robots



Traffic management



Electron microscopes



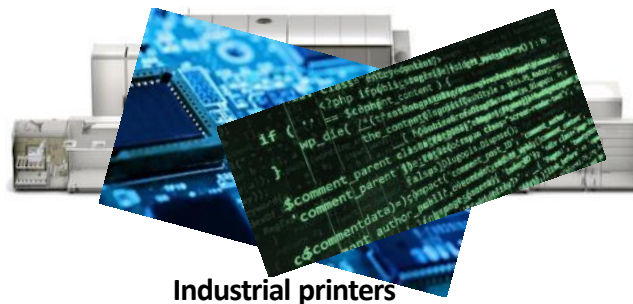
Building control



Robotized warehousing



Combat management systems



Industrial printers



Automotive



Residential heating/cooling

Main drivers of complexity into the 2020's

Continuously Evolving Systems

The system has both the capability and the need to evolve over time



Autonomous Systems

System operates without human in the loop, human interaction moves to higher level



X-as-a-Service Systems

Not the machine, but the service it provides is the manufacturer's value proposition

Energy performance contracting
guarantees improved performance

Get guaranteed energy performance for your building using our guide, model contract and one of EMANZ's formally accredited Energy Service Companies.

Series-of-one Systems

High level of customization of each system delivered, no two systems alike



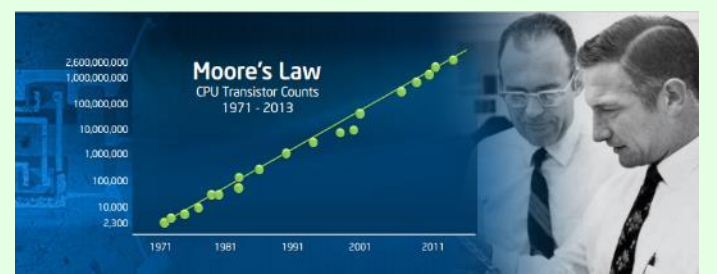
Systems of Systems

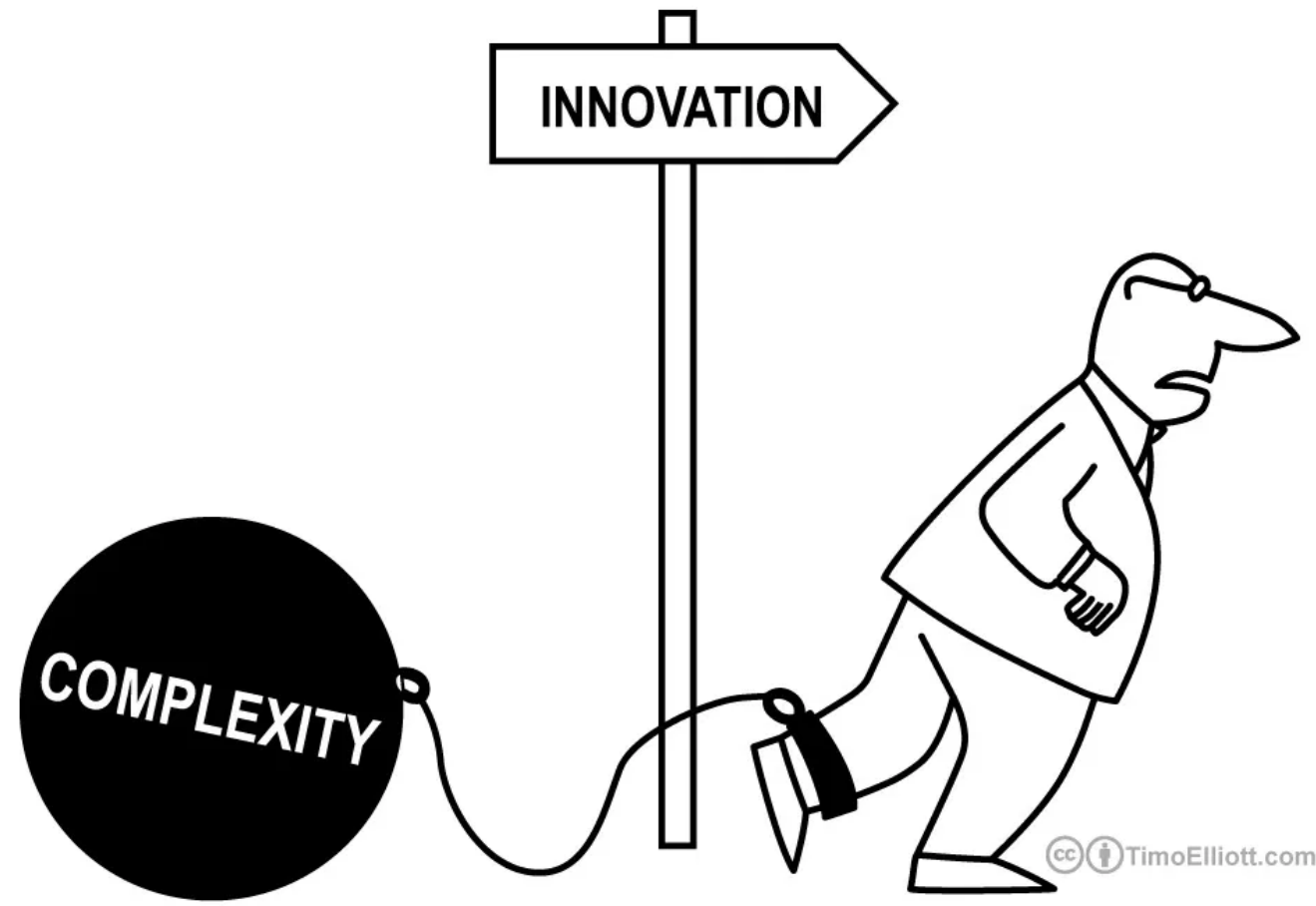
The system is an integral part of a larger system without any control of that system



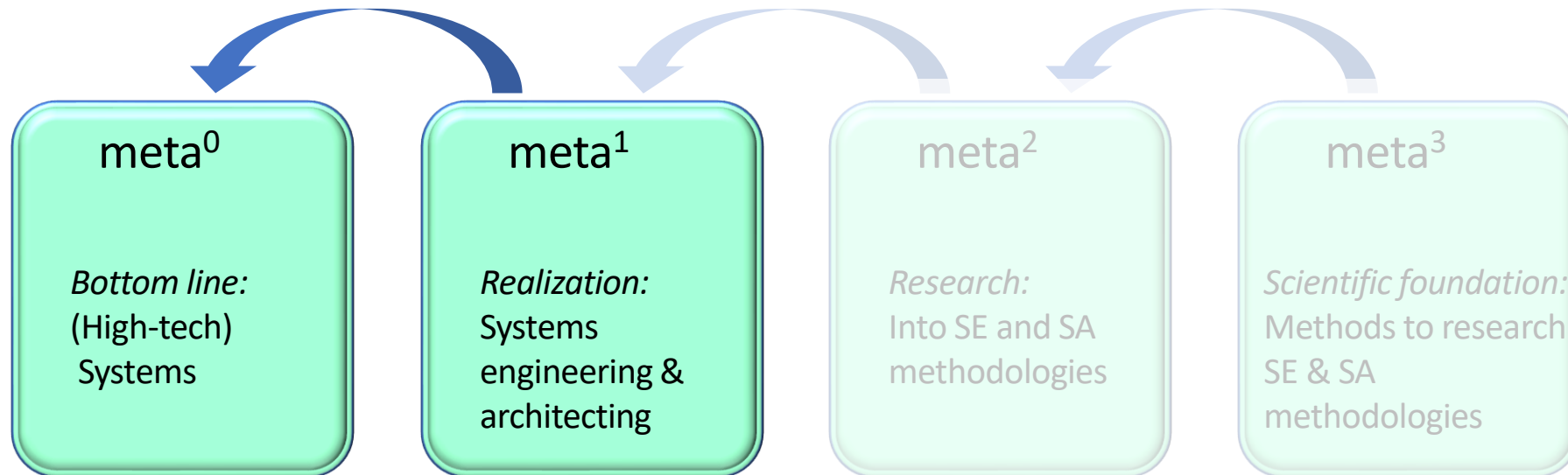
Parameters-times-10 Systems

All design parameters (e.g. interfaces, LoC) get one (or more) orders more demanding



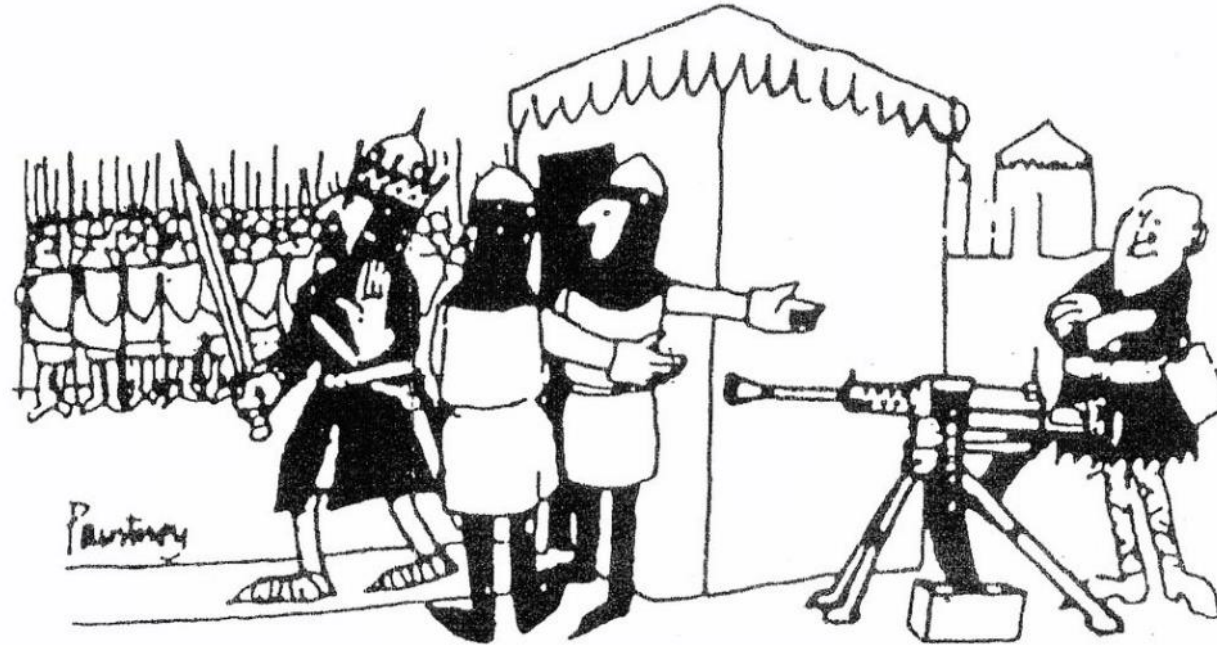


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Systems engineering: applying methodologies to better design and realize complex systems



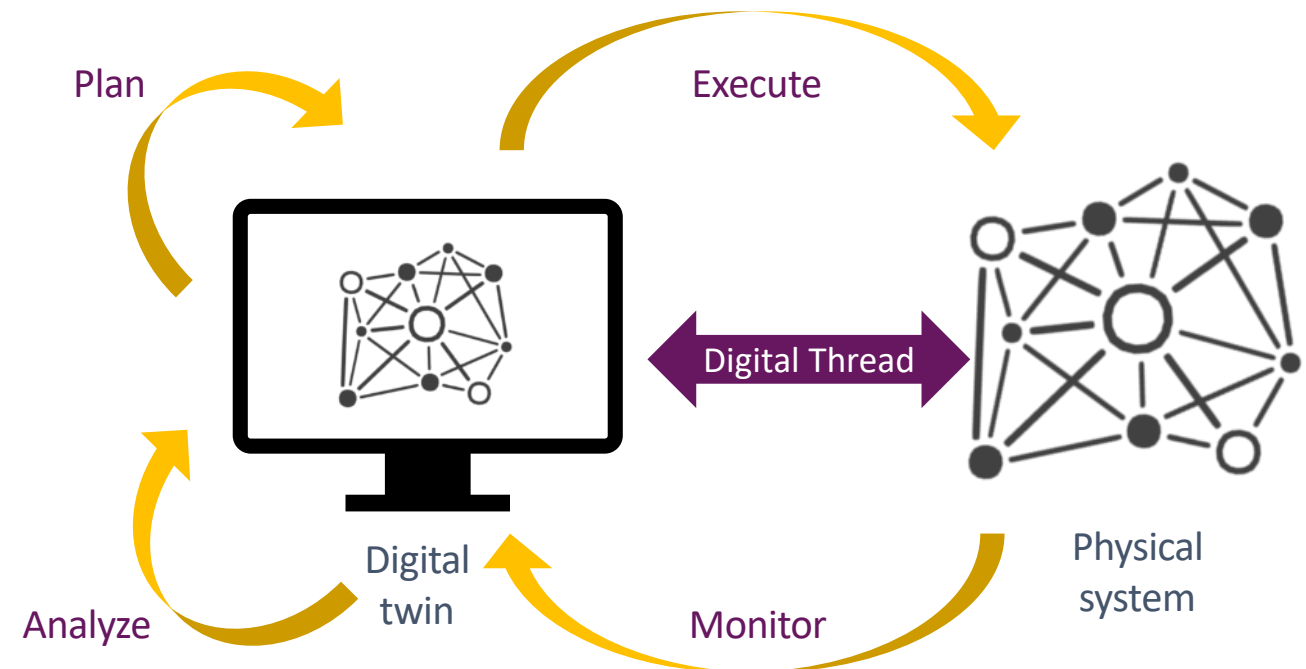
I can't be bothered by some crazy technology idea, I have a war to fight!

Example: Digital Twin

The digital twin as central asset for adaptation and evolution

Digital twins are software representations of assets and processes that are used to understand and diagnose systems, and predict and optimize their performance, allowing us to perform the **critical evaluation** and by which the **system becomes better fitted to perform and last in its environment.**

The **digital thread** sets up full traceability across a **whole lifecycle**, addressing the key concern of availability of engineering and system knowledge.





Digital twin – with hardware in the loop

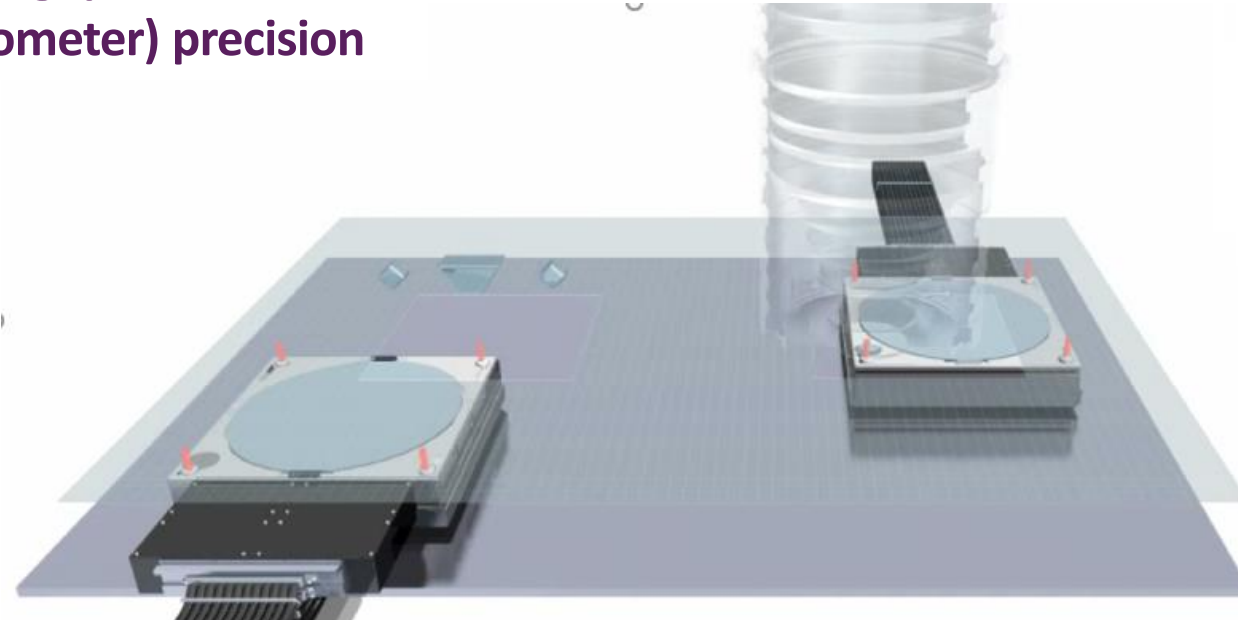


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Case study – ASML lithography scanner

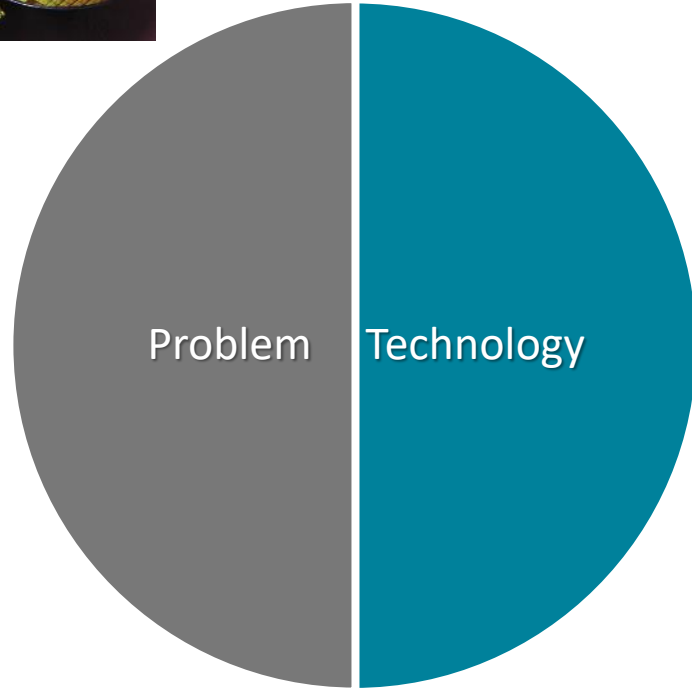
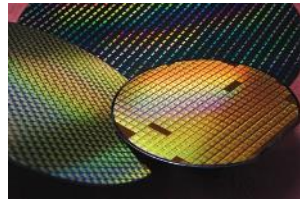
System requirement

- **Very high throughput**
- **Extreme (nanometer) precision**



- **Requirement: no hiccups**
- **exposure is carried out as sequence of concatenated Step/Scan actions**

Digital Twin to diagnose timing bottlenecks in large-scale component-based software



Domain
Lithography scanners
Industrial partners: ASML

How to **measure** and **exploit** the **measured data** to automatically diagnose timing bottleneck in existing large-scale component-based software?

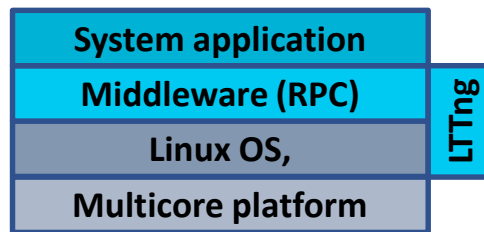
Approach

- Formalization of subset of Message Sequence Charts (based on international standards)
- SW code instrumentation with probes at strategic places in middleware
- Digital twin
- Fully automated Message Sequence Chart inference from measurements
- Fully automated critical path analysis

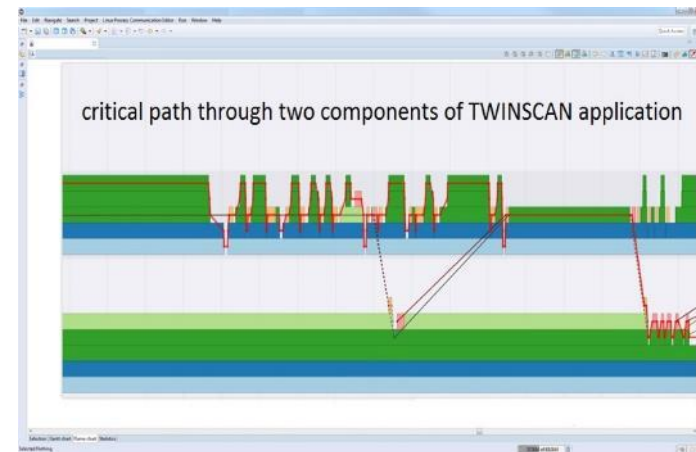
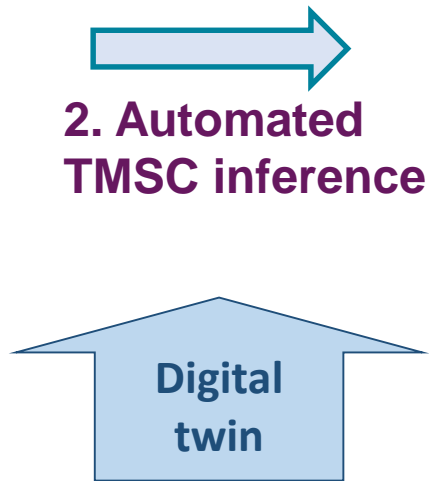
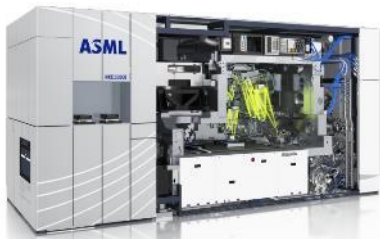
Automatic diagnosis of timing bottlenecks

Measurement-based approach to get insight in timing bottlenecks based on Timed Message Sequence Charts (TMSCs)

1. Code instrumentation
2. Automated inference of digital representation creating a digital twin in the form of TMS
3. Replay measured sequence: automated critical-path analysis to detect timing bottlenecks



1. Instrumentation



3. Critical-path analysis

Scalability

- 396 components
- 48.7 million events
- 24.3 million function executions
- 60.4 million timing constraints
- 11.7 million messages



Jeroen Voeten

Digital twin research challenges

- Digital twin fit for purpose
- Reducing the effort of constructing digital twins
- Use of machine learning and process mining to create models and digital twins
- (much) faster than RT digital twins
- Digital twins for adaptive cyber-physical systems of systems

- ESI position paper: <https://www.esi.nl/home/leaflets.dot>

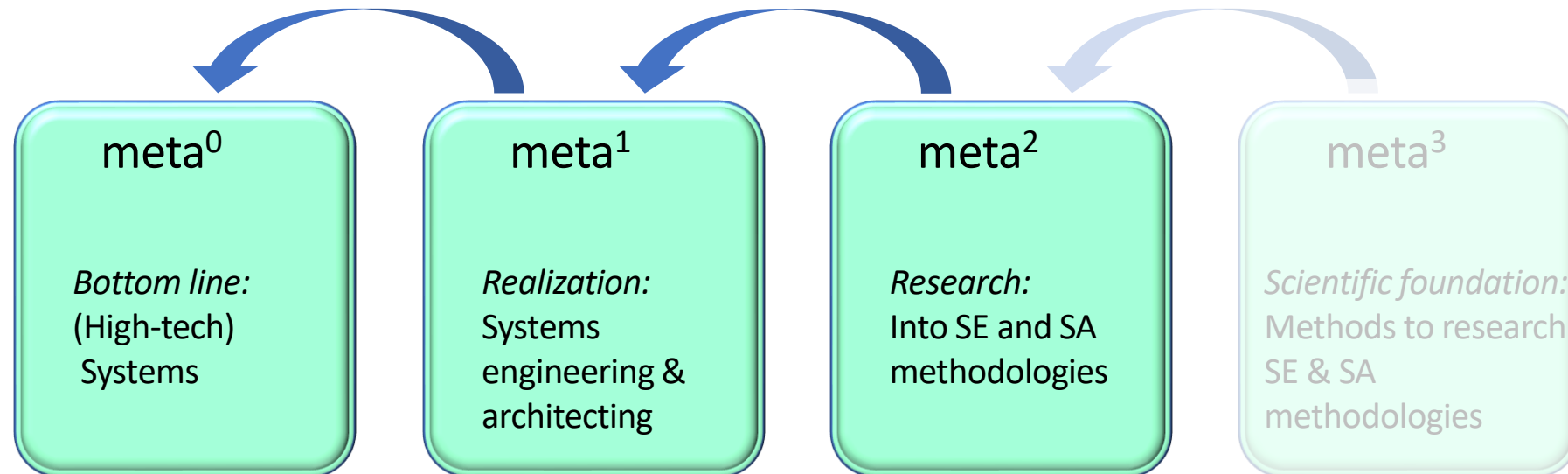


Michael Borth



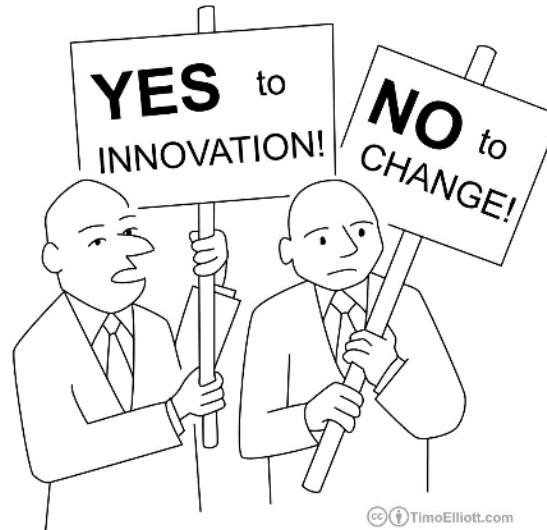
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Research into improving the System Engineering Methodologies

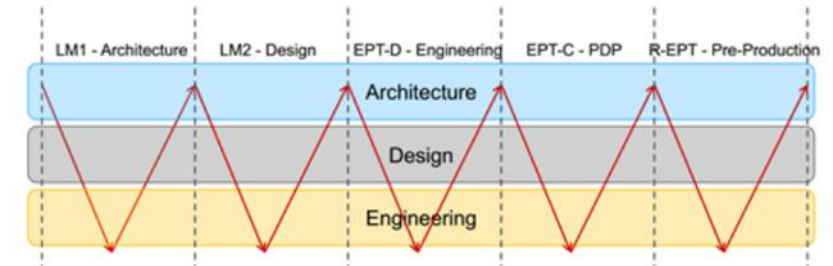


*“We only have two demands!
Why don't people just give us what we want?”*

Example: Research into effective design methodologies

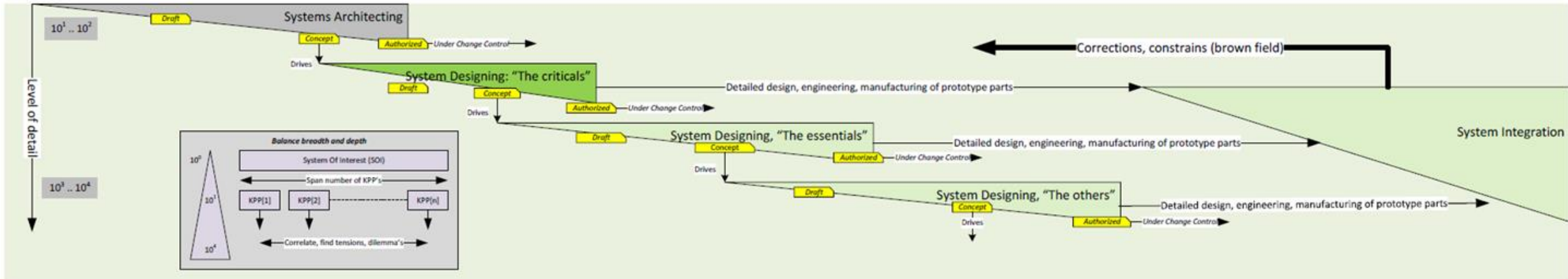
Example: Ongoing research in more effective and robust system design methods

- **Traditional V-model:**
 - Presupposes completing design and spec in all details
 - Only then engineering can start
 - Leads to many iterations – (hardware) prototypes
- **System architecting approach of decomposition (divide and conquer) allows concurrent work on components**
 - Individual parallel Vs
 - Followed by integration
 - In complex systems requires super-hero architect
 - Often goes foul





Desired: a way to do team-based phased engineering



Elements

- Determining criticals, essentials and others
- Keep track of decision impact at all levels
- Team-based decision and sharing

Benefits

- Shorter engineering cycles
- Less physical iterations
- Improved quality and better fit to market

Daarius methodology



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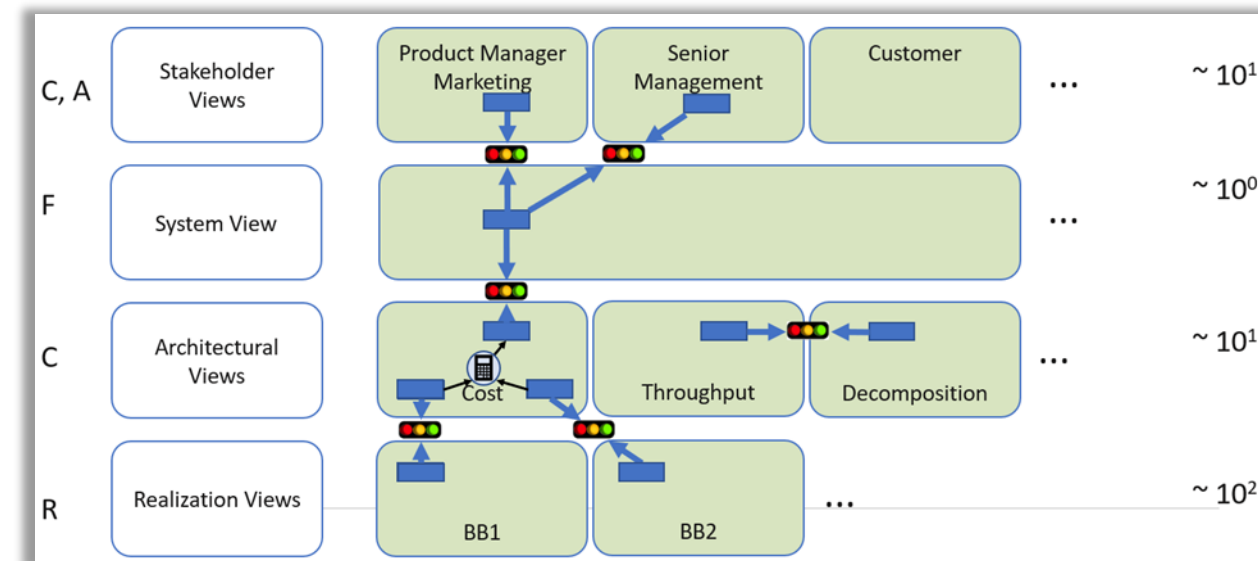


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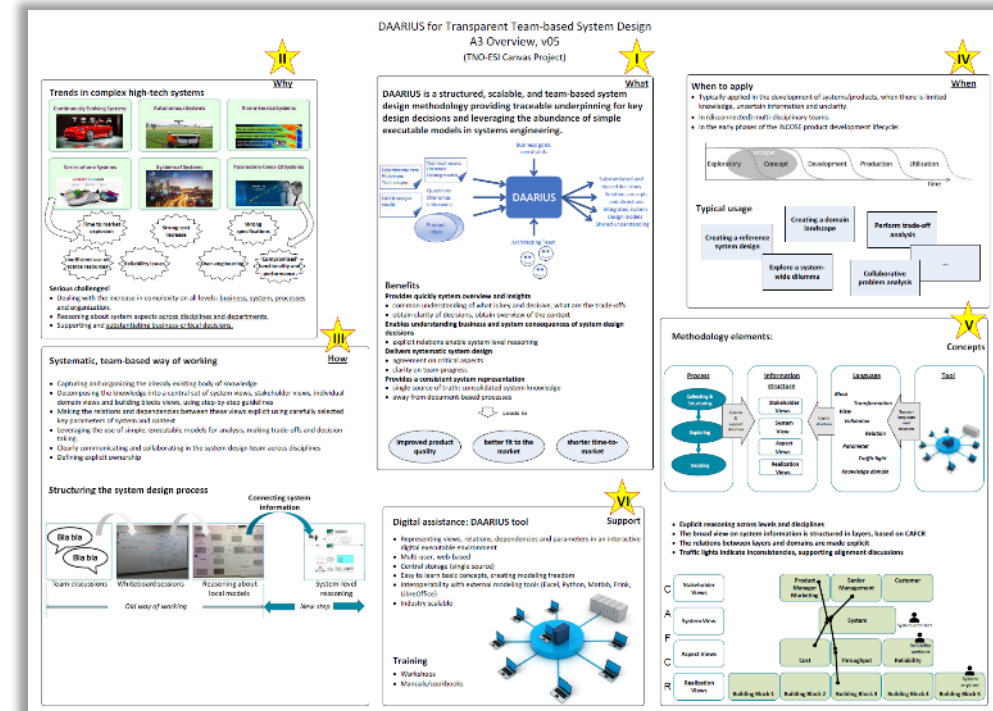
- **Daarius is a structured, scalable, and team-based system design methodology providing traceable underpinning for key design decisions and leveraging the abundance of simple executable models in systems engineering.**
 - Team-architecting (replacing super-hero architect)
 - Dilemma handling
 - Trade-off handling
- **CAFCR based solution space analysis**
- **Allows to stepwise fill and track solution space**
 - First: criticals
 - Then: essentials
 - Finally: others



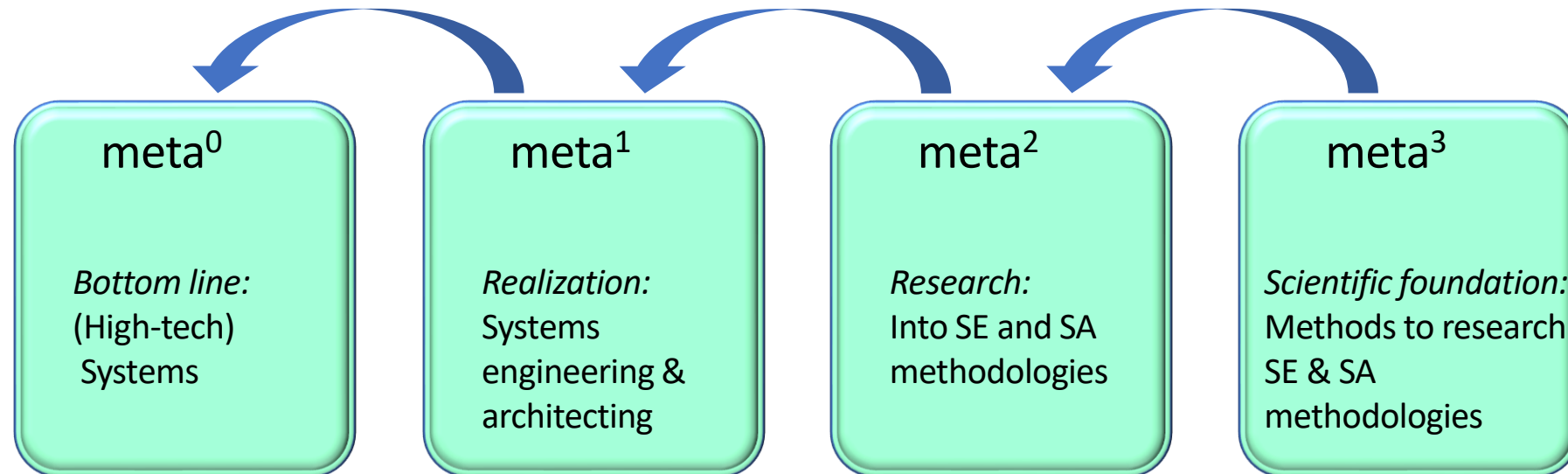
Daarius: research in progress

Research questions:

- **Methods to determine criticals, essentials and others**
- **How much detail is needed for taking decision at specific levels**
- **How to determine the right levels**
- **Inclusion of quantified degrees of uncertainty and unknowns in method**



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Meta³: reflecting on the way to do SE research



An approach to SE Research: Industry-as-a-Lab



Full access to industry background



ASML - Veldhoven



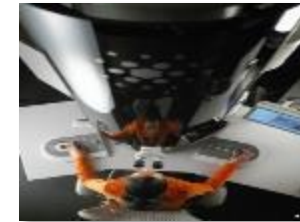
DAF - Eindhoven



Océ - Venlo



Thermo Fisher - Acht



NXP - Eindhoven



Generic results



Vanderlande - Veghel



Signify- Eindhoven



Nexperia - Nijmegen



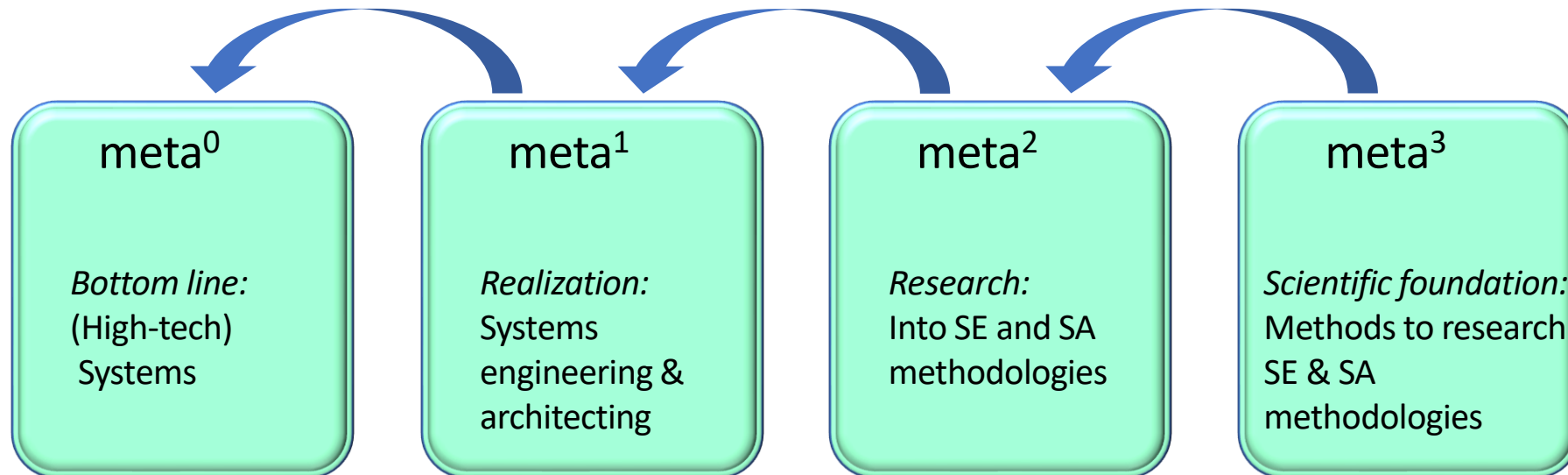
Thales - Hengelo

Industry specific validation results

Learning from each other



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THANK YOU!



An initiative of industry, academia and TNO

