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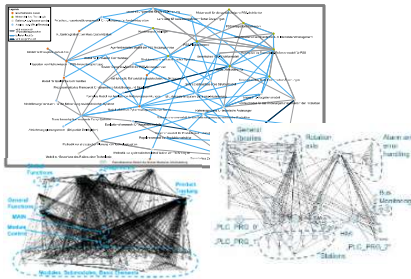
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# Research Fields



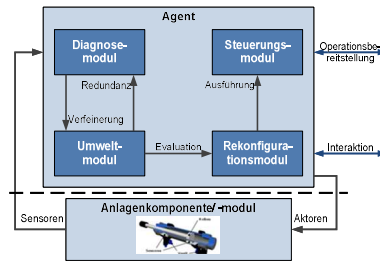
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The AIS-TUM focuses on the modeling of intelligent, distributed embedded systems in automation technology. The focus is on reliability and human-machine interaction.



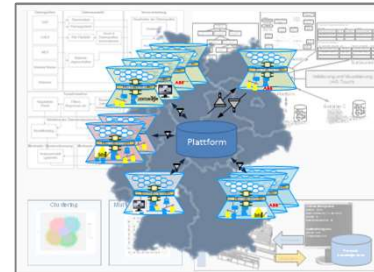
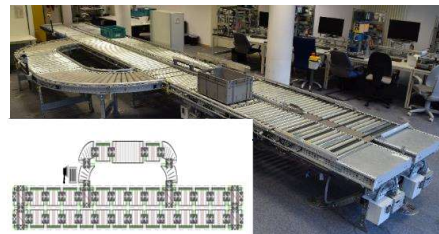
**MODEL-BASED DEVELOPMENT**

Model-based engineering of variant-rich, interdisciplinary aPS



**INTELLIGENT PRODUCTION SYSTEMS**

Intelligent, reconfigurable, distributed CPPS



**BIG DATA IN aPS**

Methods for aggregation, analysis and processing of large amounts of data

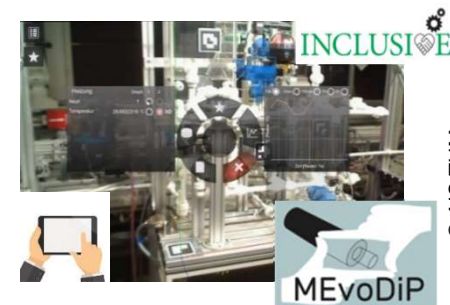


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**HUMAN-MACHINE INTERACTION**

Representation of complex data sets to support humans in taking in information



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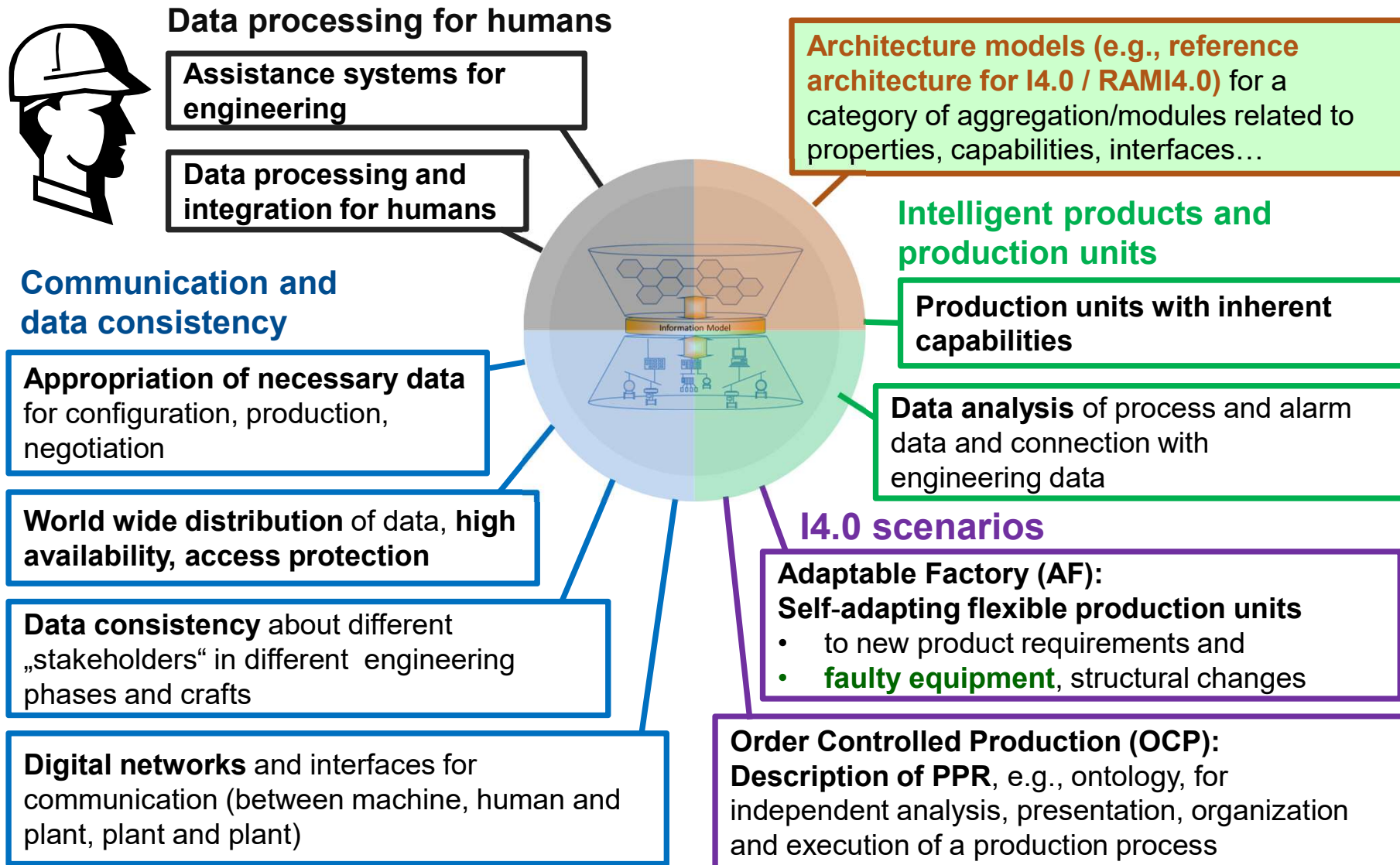
Understand and be able to apply

- The specific requirements and challenges of field level agents like dependability, real-time characteristics regarding Cyber Physical Production Systems (CPPS)
- The most beneficial applications for field level agents
- How to develop DT by MAS and model their knowledge?
- Frequently used MAS pattern on field level

## Time Schedule (CET time)

09:00 – 09:50 Background theory

09:50 – 10:00 5 min Q & A and 5 min feedback



Source: B. Vogel-Heuser, G. Bayrak, U. Frank: Forschungsfragen in "Produktautomatisierung der Zukunft". acatech Materialien. 2012.

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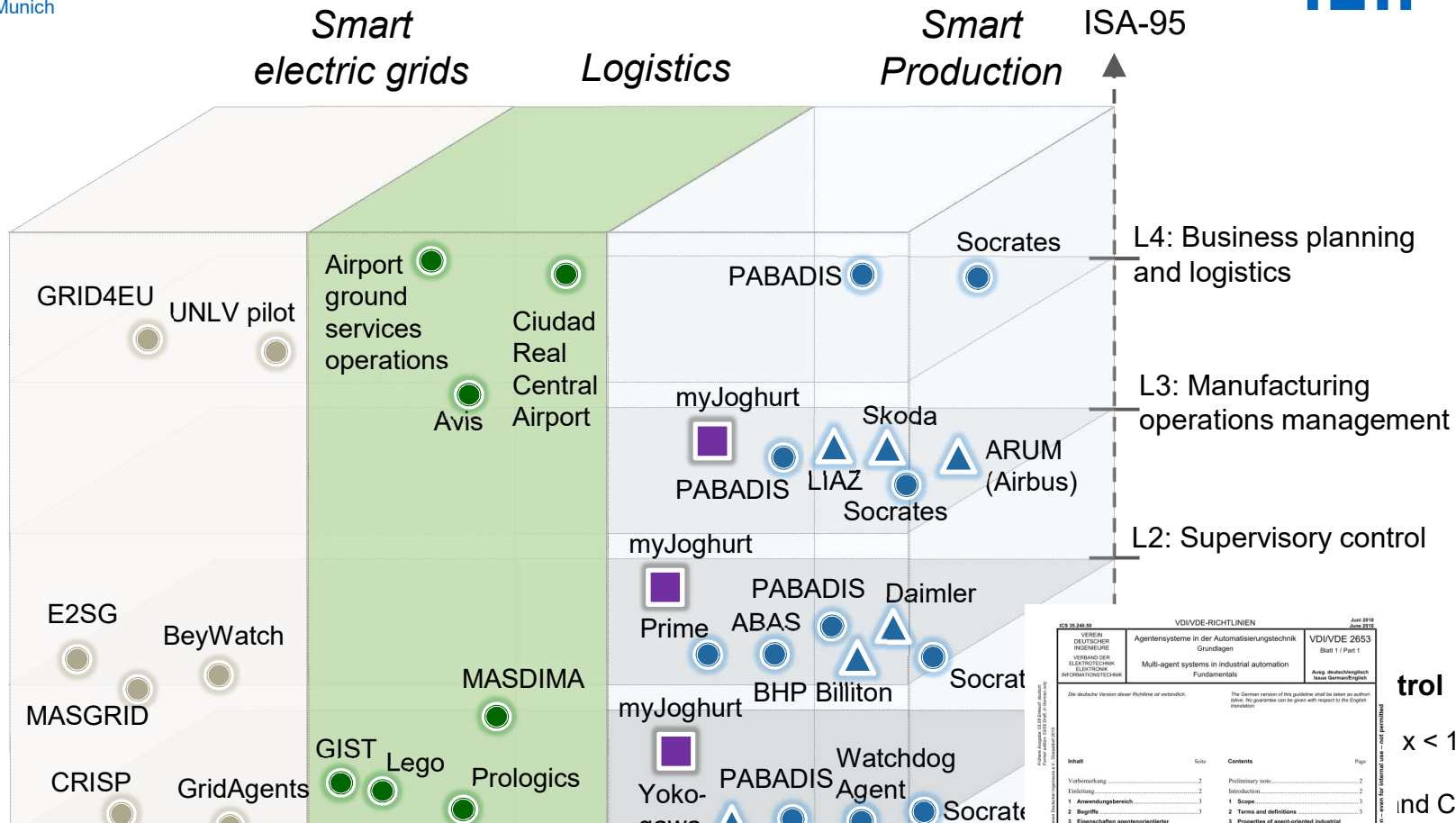
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# State of the art- agents in CPS/CPSS

**legend**

- Industry
- University
- Chair AIS



A **technical agent** is an **encapsulated** (hardware / software) entity with **specified objectives**.  
 An agent endeavours to reach these objectives through its **autonomous behaviour**, in **interacting** with its **environment** and with **other agents** (VDI/VDE 2653-1)

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VEREIN DEUTSCHER INGENIEURE  
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 VERBAND DER INFORMATIONSTECHNIK

Agentsysteme in der Automatisierungstechnik  
 Grundlagen  
 Multi-agent systems in industrial automation  
 Fundamentals

VDI/VDE 2653  
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 Ausg. englischdeutsch

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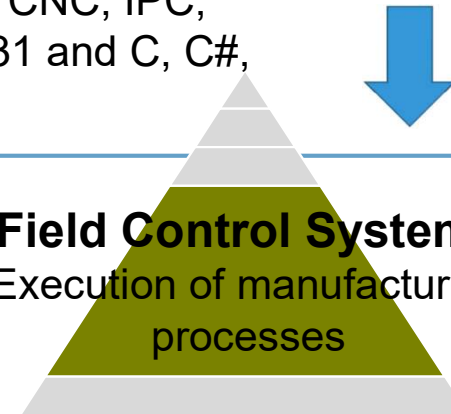
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## Field of application Field control systems

- Control of production processes like transport, forming, injection molding, sorting
- Control decisions  
open-loop control like interlocking - combination of sensor and actuator results in actuator activation as well as closed loop control
- Constraint  
due to cost and robustness (evolvability over decades) totally distributed control based on consumer market devices not accepted
- Integration of process-specific functions of plant safety and personal protection
- Time response: Strong requirements
  - Response times:  $10\text{ms} < x < 1\text{s}$
  - Synchronization:  $100 \mu\text{s} < x < 100\text{ms}$
- Dependability: safety of humans and machines
- Operating system, hardware, programming environment: PLC, CNC, IPC, embedded systems; Programming languages: Mostly IEC 61131 and C, C#, rarely C++

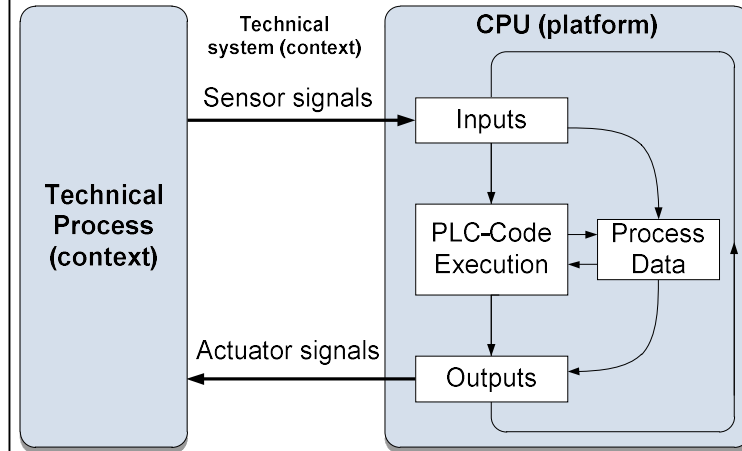
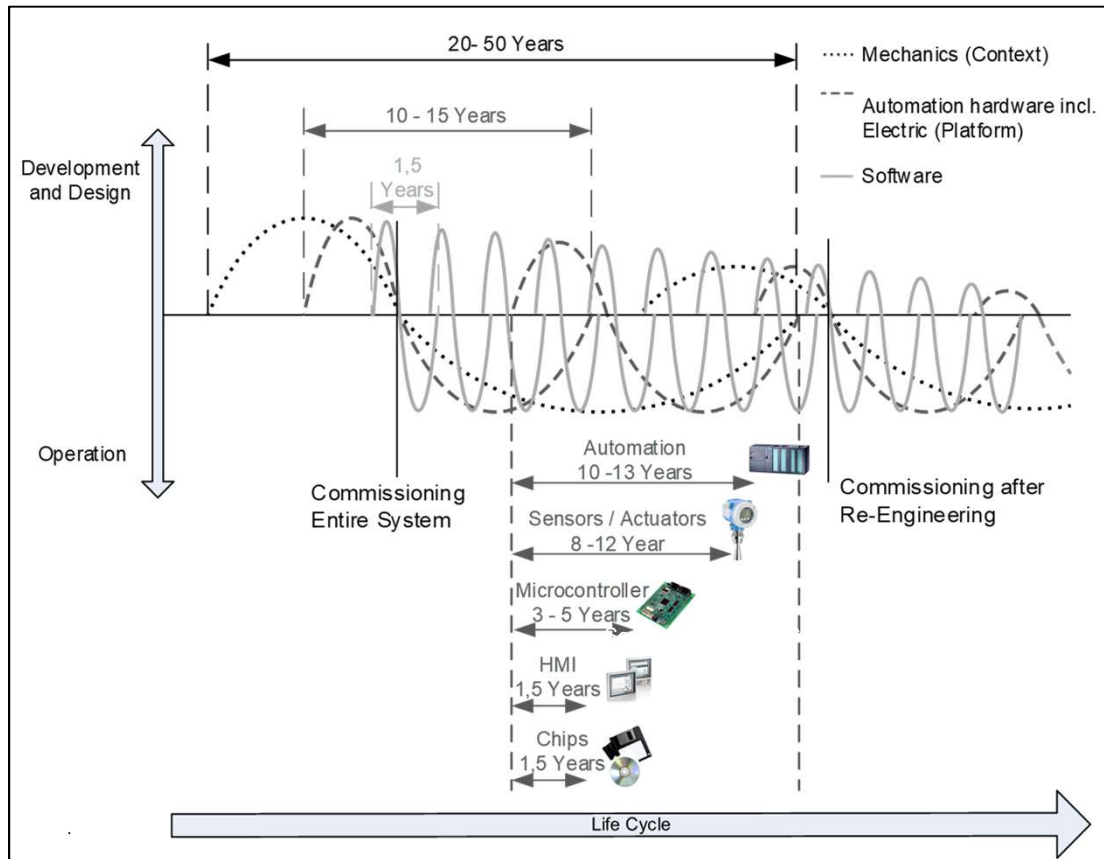
- Need for real-time and dependable agents
  - ⇒ Restricted negotiaton & communication time
  - ⇒ Restricted autonomy (action space) to ensure dependability



**Field Control Systems**  
Execution of manufacturing  
processes

[based on: Lüder, A. Systems Engineering; 2018]

# Software-evolution is the key – engineering as a basis for the software-evolution



## IEC 61131-3 Languages

<p><b>Sequential Function Chart</b></p>	<p><b>Ladder Diagram</b></p>	<p><b>Function Block Diagram</b></p>
<p><b>Structured Text</b></p> <pre> OUT:=   (Var1 &amp; Var2 &amp; Var3) OR   (Var4 &amp; Var5)           </pre>	<p><b>Instruction List</b></p> <pre> LDN Var1 ANDN Var 2 ANDN Var3 ST OUT           </pre>	

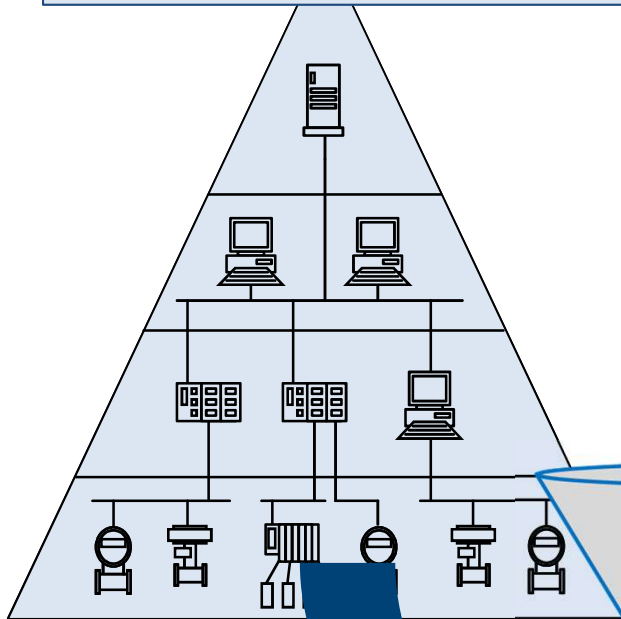
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- **Importance of Software in production automation**
- 9% of a machine is software (cost) (VDMA 2008)
- 20% (average) up to 50% of engineering costs for aPS software (2012)
- 25% (average) engineering costs (forecast 2015)

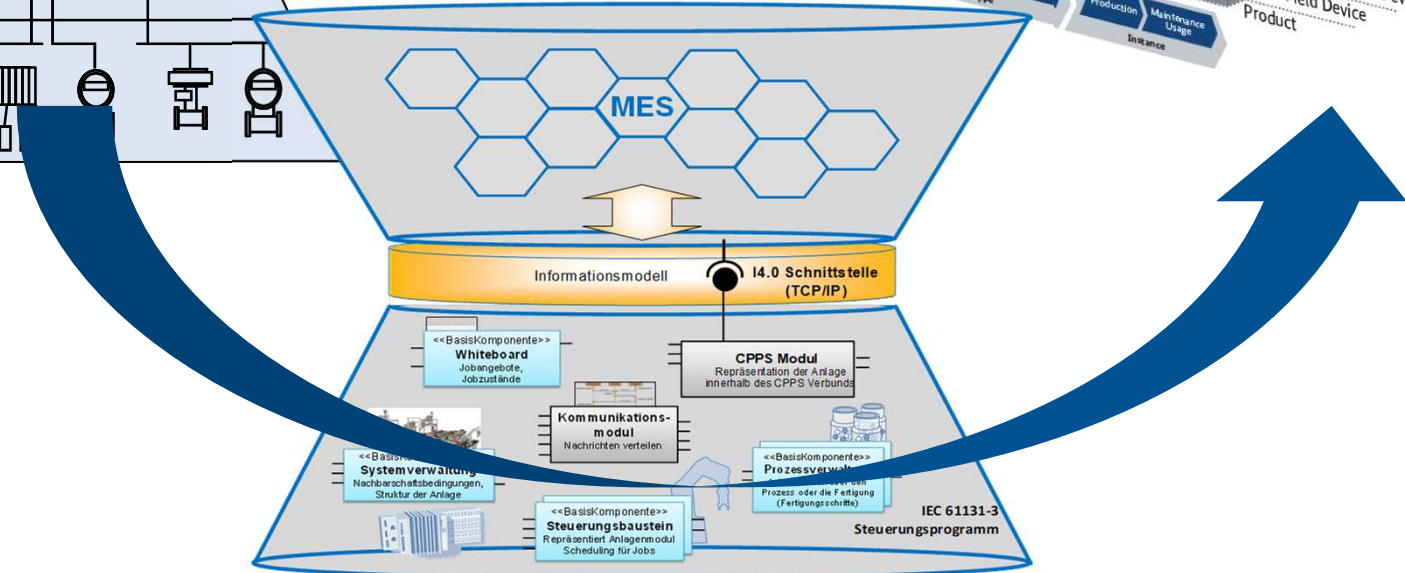
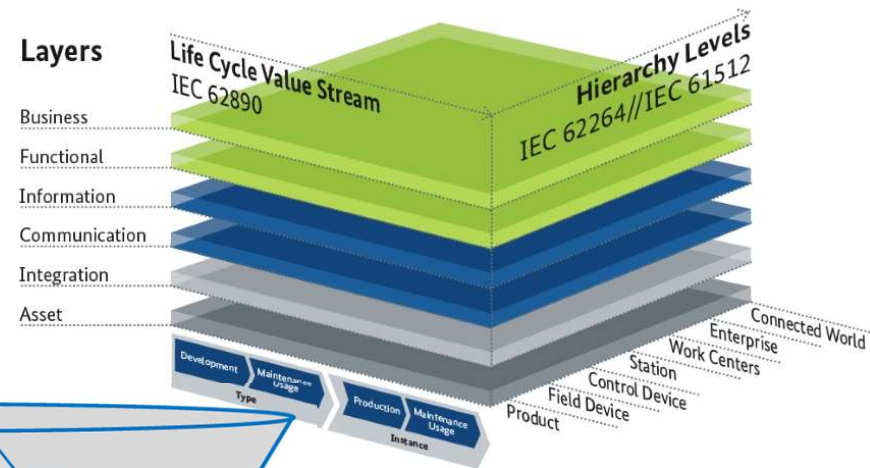
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Automation pyramid  
1980- 2000

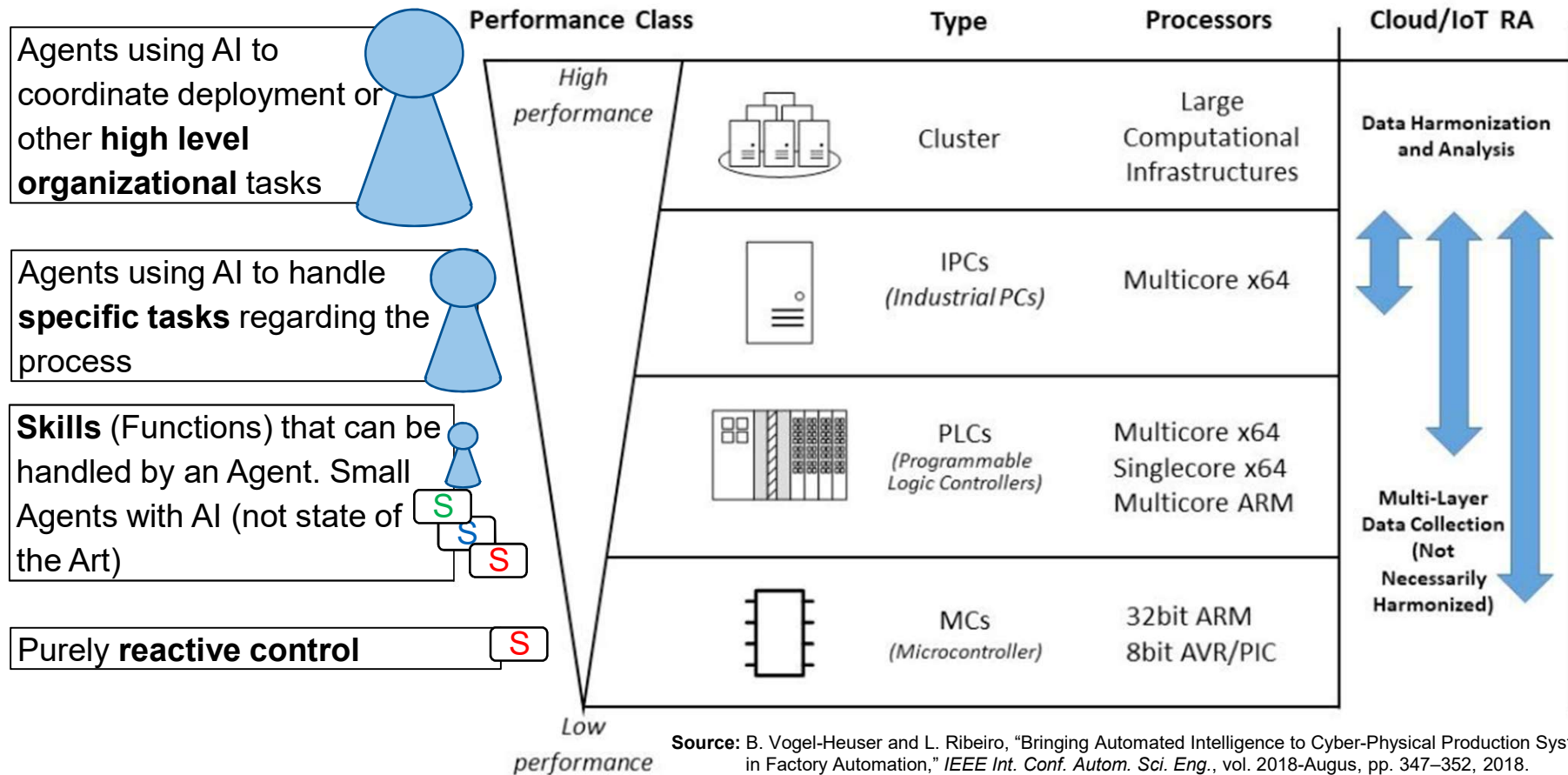


Reference Architectural Model  
Industrie 4.0 (RAMI 4.0)



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# Why Agents in the Automation?



- The increasing computational power allows smart algorithms and AI in aPS technology
- The hierarchy between Field level and higher levels becomes blurred more and more
- **Digital twin** from the industry's point of view:
- "A digital twin refers to a **virtual representation** of a physical asset or system **throughout its lifecycle**" and a "**Dynamic digital representations** that enable companies to understand, predict, and optimize the **performance** of their machines and their business"

\*Comparison of the IoT and DT standards

	AAS	DTDL	NGSI-LD	OData	STA	WoT
<b>Resource Description</b>						
Resource Term Model Type(s)	Asset Meta	Interface Meta	Entity Meta Cross-Domain	Entity Meta	Thing Cross-Domain	Thing Meta
Resource Identification	IRI IRDI custom	DTMI	URI	URL custom	URL custom	URI
Type System (based on)	XSD	custom	JSON GeoJSON JSON-LD	custom	JSON SWE-standards	JSON JSON Schema
Resource Interlinking	X	X	X	X	- <sup>a</sup>	X
Semantic Annotation	X	O <sup>b</sup>	X	-	O <sup>c</sup>	X
Resource Elements						
Properties	X	X	X	X	X	X
Services	X	X	-	O <sup>d</sup>	O	X
Events	X	X	O <sup>e</sup>	-	O <sup>e</sup>	X
Serialization Format	JSON RDF XML OPC UA AutomationML	JSON RDF Avro Protobuf	JSON RDF	JSON XML	JSON	JSON RDF
Supported Kind of Data						
geo-spatial	-	-	X	X	X	-
temporal	-	-	X	X	X	-
historical	-	-	X	-	O <sup>f</sup>	-
<b>Resource Discovery</b>						
Protocols	- <sup>a</sup>	-	HTTP	HTTP	HTTP	HTTP § CoAP § DNS-SD § O §
Querying supported?	- <sup>a</sup>	-	X	X	X	
Query Language						
Query Language based on	- <sup>a</sup>	-	custom	custom	OData	SPARQL <sup>a,§</sup>
geo-spatial queries	-	-	X	X	X	-
historical queries	-	-	X	-	O <sup>f</sup>	-
<b>Resource Access</b>						
API: Define vs. Describe	define	-	define	define	define	describe
Protocols	HTTP MQTT OPC UA	-	HTTP	HTTP	HTTP MQTT	HTTP MQTT CoAP X
Protocols extendible?	-	-	X	-	-	X

<sup>a</sup> extension under discussion; <sup>b</sup> only predefined definitions and only for telemetries, properties, and units; <sup>c</sup> only explicitly for observed properties and units, possible for everything else via custom properties; <sup>d</sup> only on service-level; <sup>e</sup> only property changes; <sup>f</sup> only for observations; <sup>§</sup> not part of standard, only in implementation(s); <sup>x</sup> y; Abbreviations: CoAP: Constrained Application Protocol; DNS-SD: Domain Name System - Service Discovery; HTTP: Hypertext Transfer Protocol; IRDI: International Registration Data Identifier; IRI: Internationalized Resource Identifier; JSON: JavaScript Object Notation; JSON-LD: JavaScript Object Notation - Linked Data; MQTT: Message Queuing Telemetry Transport; OPC UA: Open Platform Communications Unified Architecture; RDF: Resource Description Format; SPARQL: SPARQL and RDF Query Language; SWE: Sensor Web Enablement; URI: Uniform Resource Identifier; URL: Uniform Resource Locator; XML: Extensible Markup Language; XSD: XML Schema Definition.

\*Source: M. Jacoby and T. Usländer, "Digital Twin and Internet of Things—Current Standards Landscape," *Appl. Sci.*, vol. 10, no. 18, p. 6519, 2020

Agent based decision-making process (MAS for dynamic scheduling)

Agent based Supply Chain (addressed by Supply Chain Operations Reference- SCOR)

Agent based framework, semantic web technologies (JaCaMo project)

Agent-based AAS (Passive, Reactive and Proactive types)

Agent-based I4.0 language (addressing VDI/VDE – 2193 standard, in collaboration with OvGU)

Resource agent pattern by Model-Driven Engineering:

(Knowledgebase, communication interface, coordination, control and process modules)

# Extended comparison of field level control and IoT approaches

Danke @ Prof.  
Olivier, IMT



Classification schema*	Description*	Asset Administration Shell: AIS-TUM approach	Web of Things: IMT approach
<b>Resource Description</b>	Resource term	Asset	Thing
	Model type(s)	Meta	Meta
	Resource identification	IRI, IRDI, custom	URI
	Type system (based on)	XSD: XML Schema Definition	JSON, JSON schema
	Resource interlinking and semantic annotation	Yes	Yes
	Resource elements (properties, services, events)	Yes	Yes
	Serialization format	JSON, RDF, XML, OPC UA, AutomationML	JSON, RDF
<b>Resource Discovery</b>	Protocols	Under discussion: HTTP	No standardized: HTTP, CoAP, DNS-SD, OData
	Query Language based on	Under discussion and no standardized: SPARQL	Under discussion and no standardized: SPARQL
<b>Resource Access</b>	API: Define vs. Describe	API definition	API description
	Protocols	HTTP, MQTT, OPC UA, AMQP	HTTP, MQTT, CoAP
	Protocols extendible?	Yes	Yes
<b>Categorization</b>	Types, classes, typos, etc.	Types of interaction of AAS: Passive, Re-active, Proactive	Types of interaction affordances: Properties, Actions, and Events
<b>Representative MAS implementation</b>	Selected agent-based application and its components	Resource agent (RA) modules: Coordination process + Communication interface + Resource access + Knowledge Base	JaCaMo dimensions : Agent + Organization + Environment

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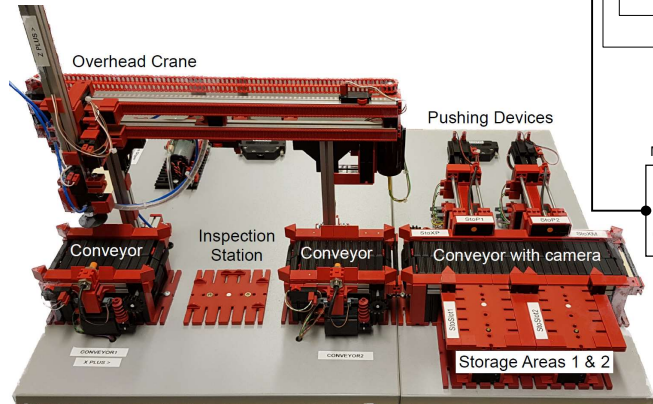
# Network Architectures in CPPS



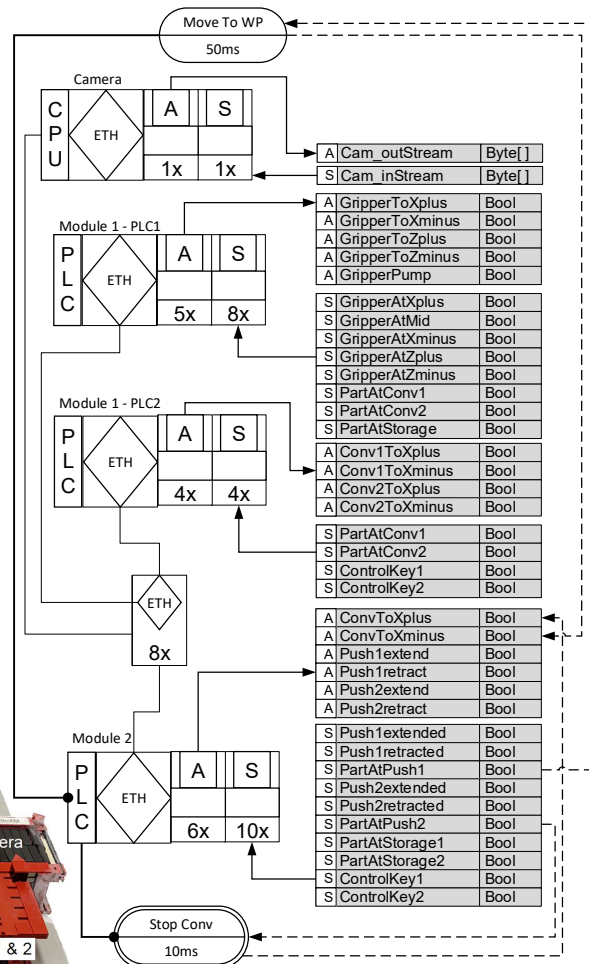
**Central:**  
control functions concentrated in one central control unit

**Decentral:**  
control functions divided onto several control units

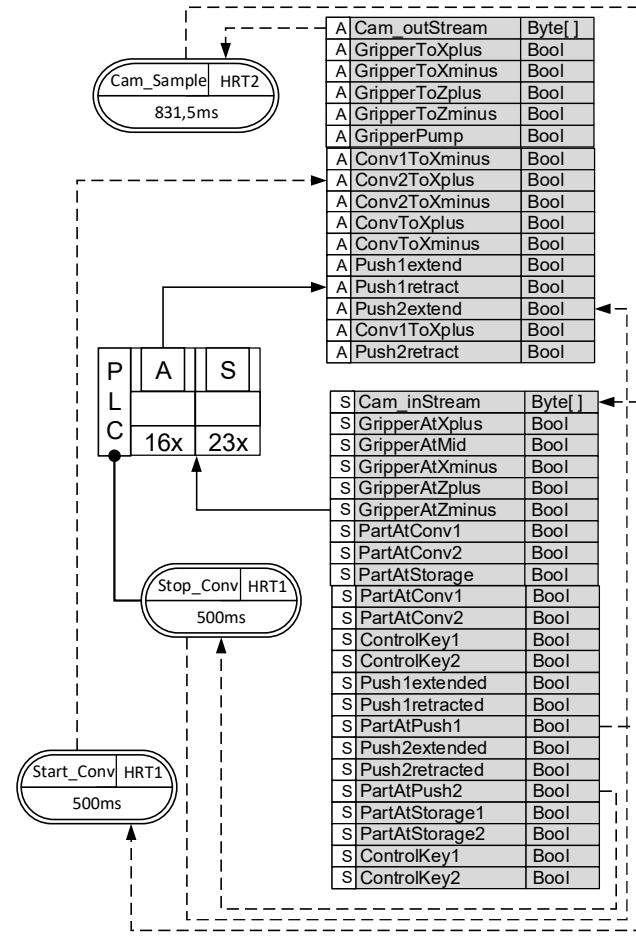
**Hierarchical:**  
central coordinator, controlling distributed control nodes



## Distributed Control



## Centralized Control



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# Modeling Timing behavior in agent-based CPPS

Many thanks to  
Prof. Luis Ribeiro

## Goals

- Supporting decision for developing an agent-based CPPS
- Supporting evaluation of brown field agent-based CPPS

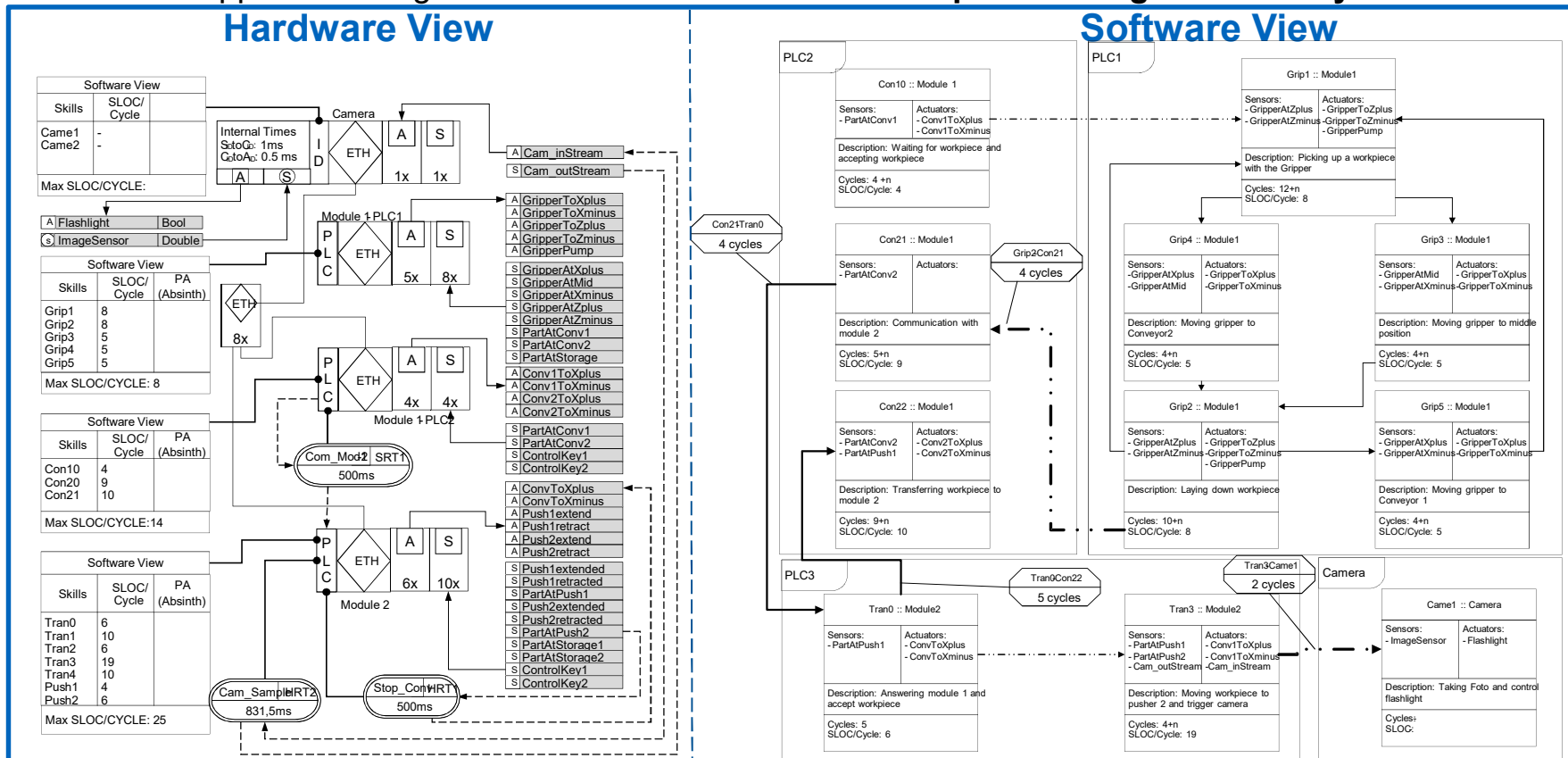
## Notation for time related behavior of hard- and software:

- Heterogeneous Architecture  
→ Micro Controller + PLC & Hard- and Software

## Modeling timing behavior of:

- Communication
- Cycle Times (Hardware)
- Load (Hardware / Software)
- Physical Behavior
- Location of Software

“Best Effort” applications together with hard real-time → Prerequisite for agent-based systems



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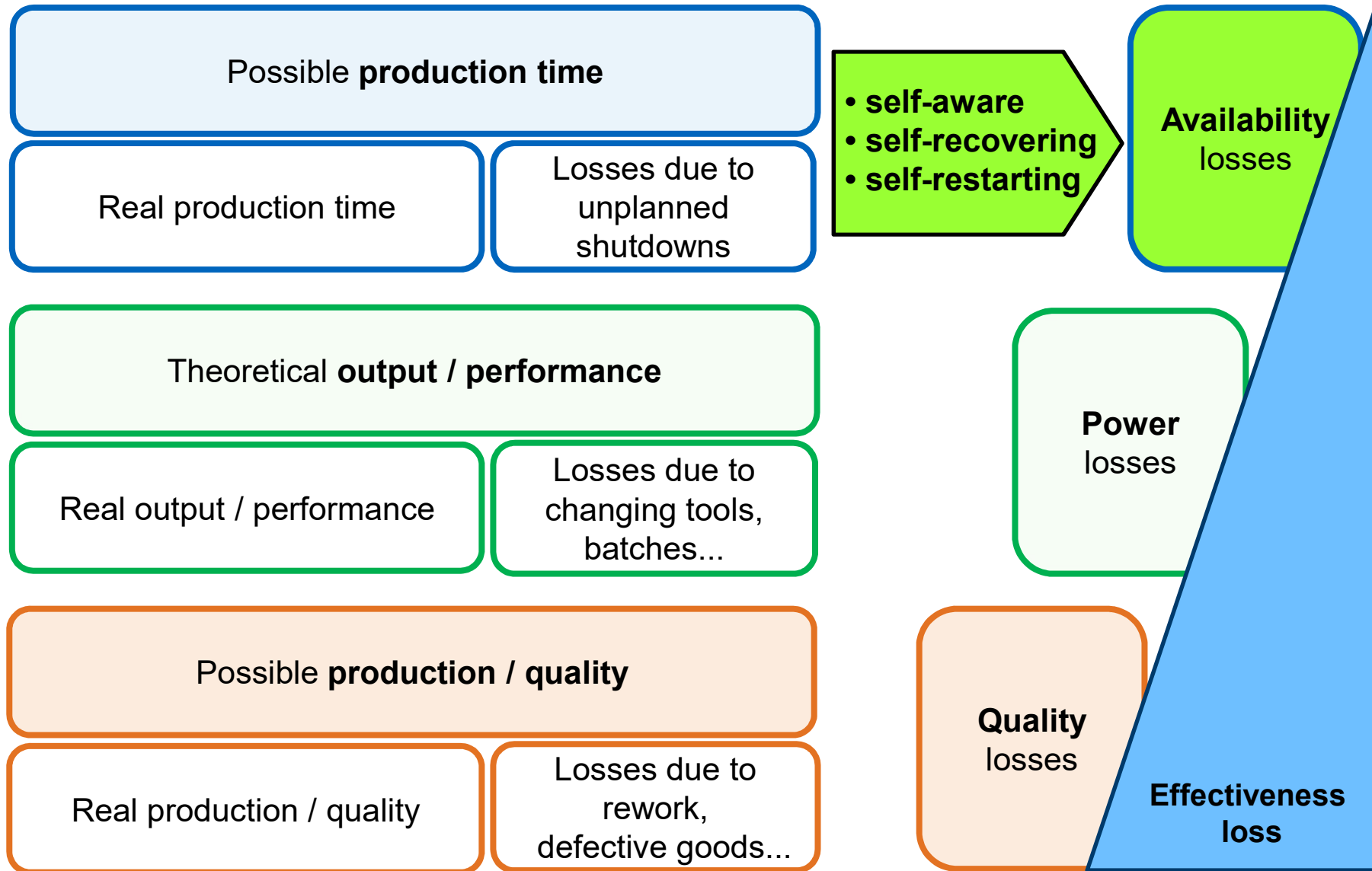
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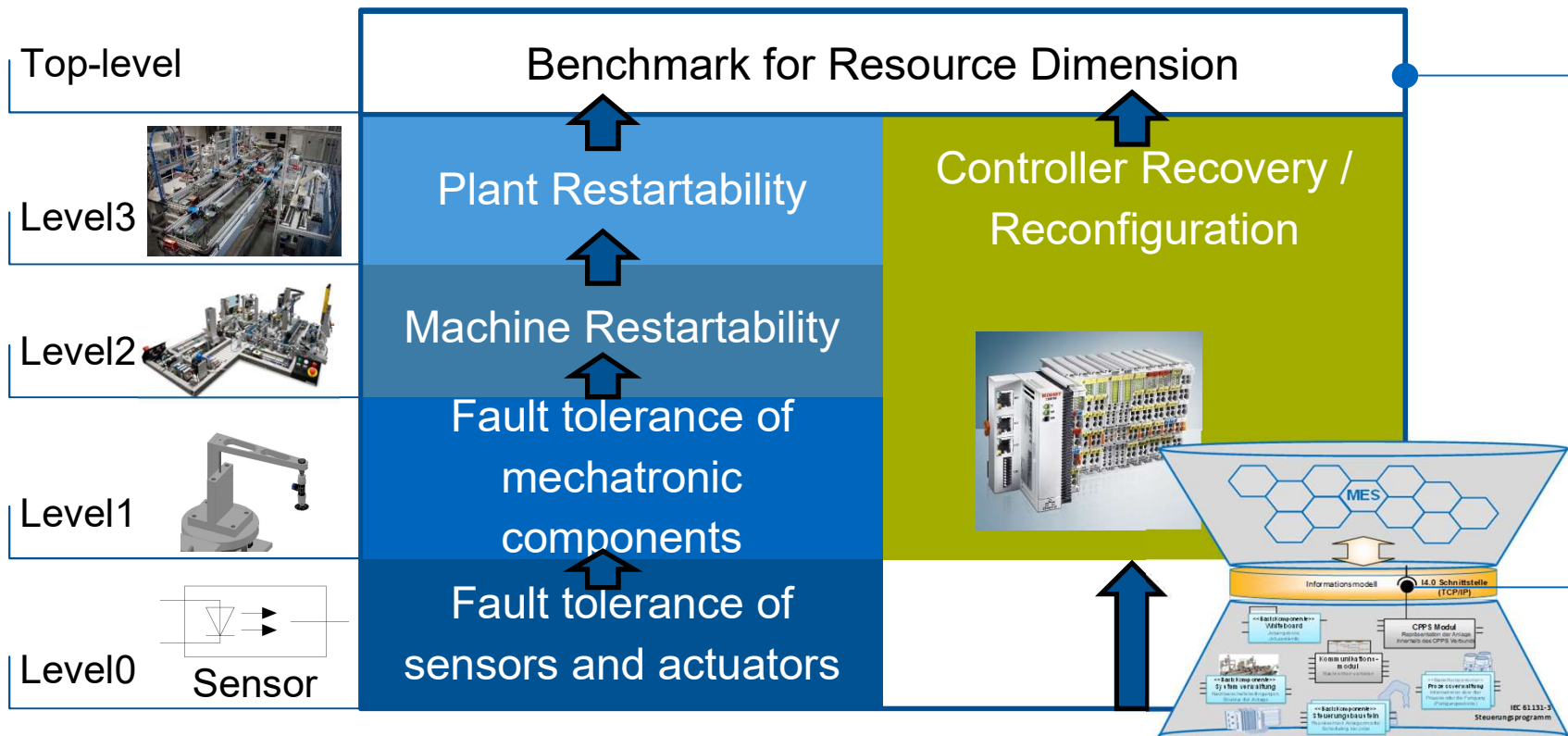
# Increased Overall Equipment Effectiveness (OEE)

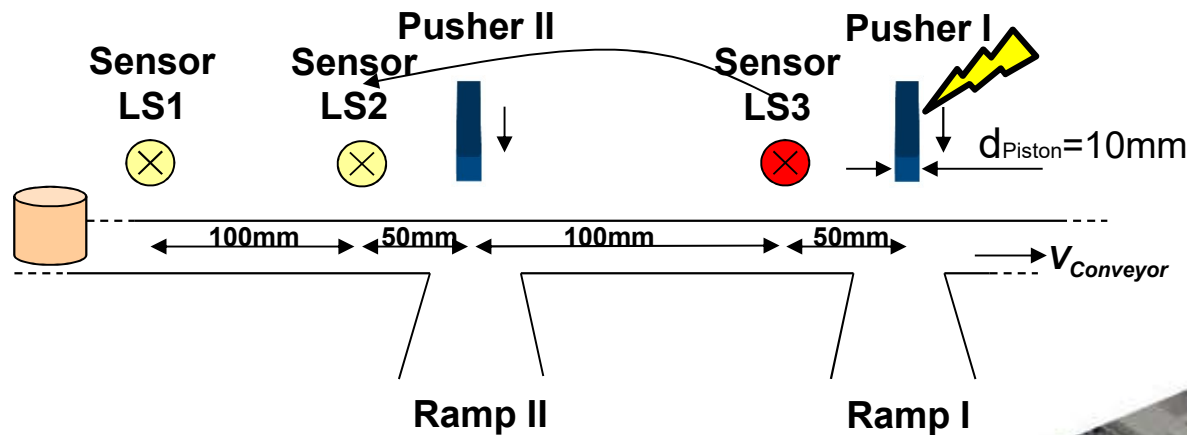


**Restart(ability):** to resume execution after a failure, using status and results recorded at a checkpoint. (source: IEEE glossary)

**Recovery:** includes error correction and restart:

- **correction** is the process of removing the original problem (the fault) and correct its manifestation (the error),
- **restart** is the process of moving the system to a normal state. (source: Andersson et al. 2010)

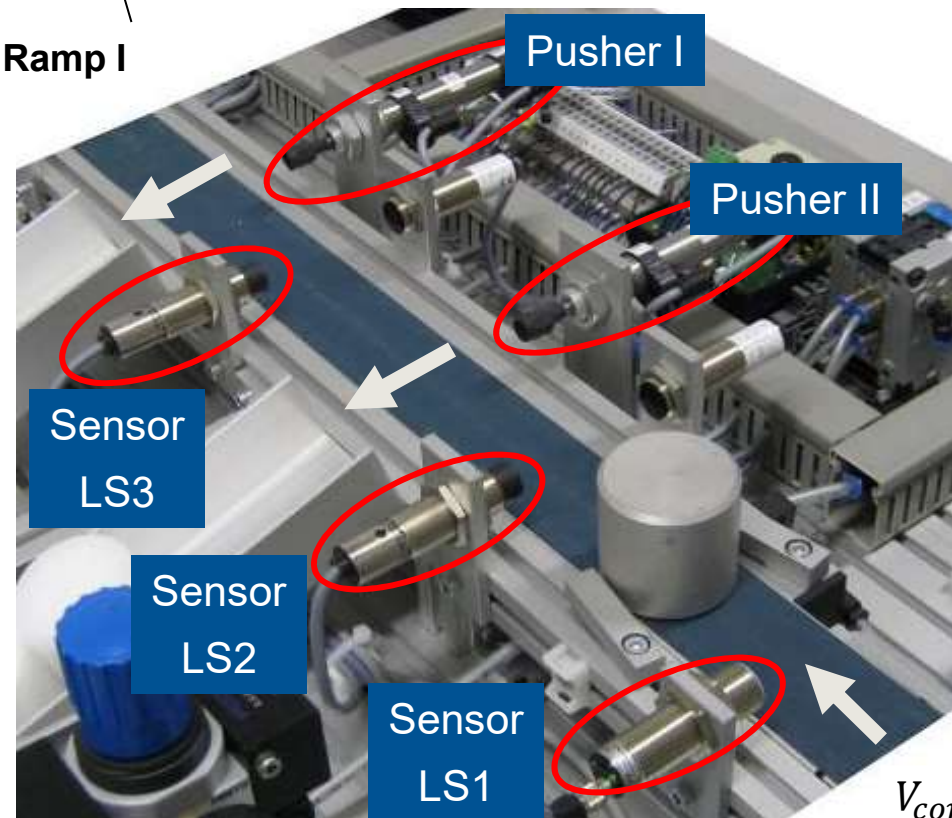




- Sensor LS3 is faulty → no value
- Pusher I: when to push?

## Fault Handling

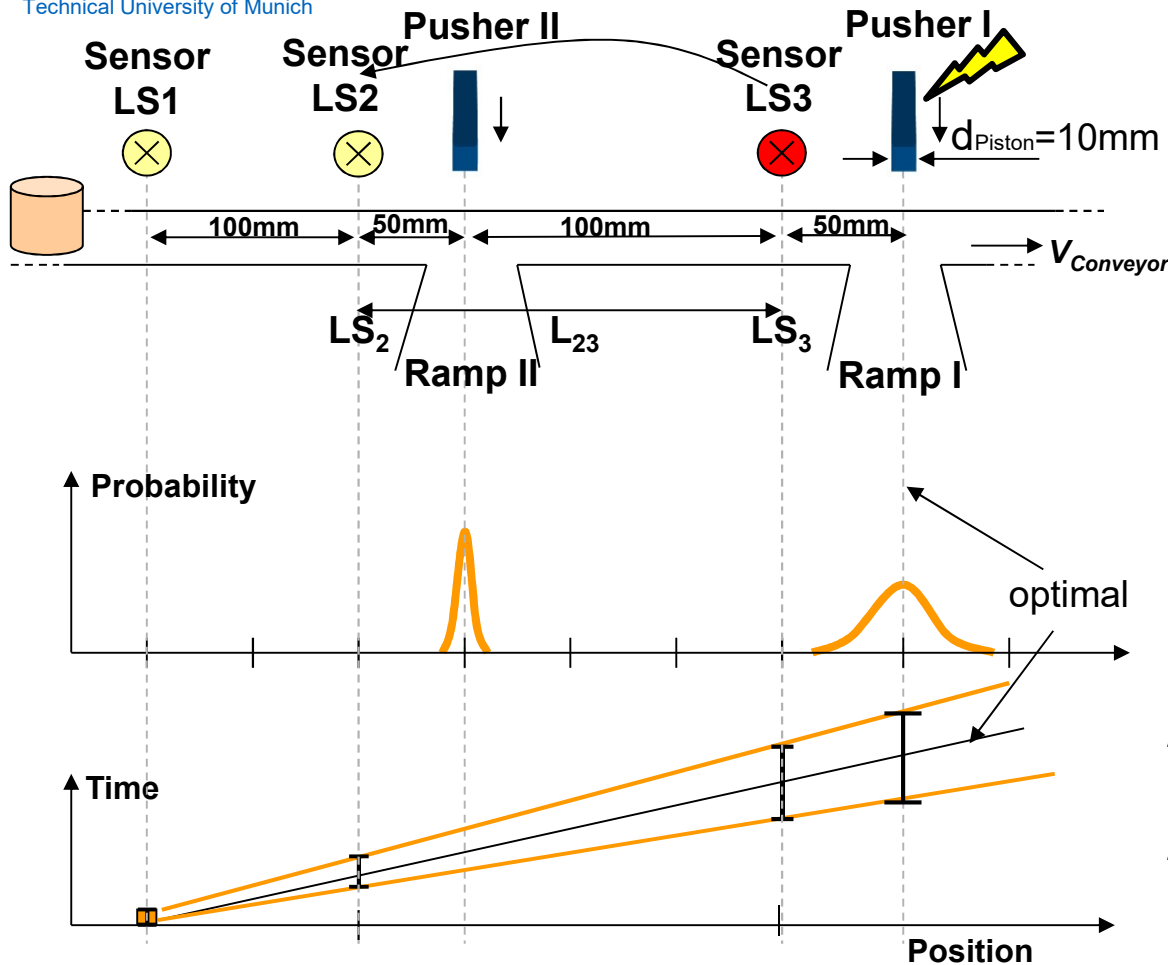
- Keep processing even without sensor LS3
- Calculating the point of time, Pusher I has to push
- Calculation via time and speed



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## Problem: Tolerance range for virtual sensor



### Failure:

- LS3 → a weak or impermissible signal
- Pusher I → no signal to active push

### Error handling:

- Error detection and agent remediation
- Virtual substitute value calculation
- Replacement value compensates

### Error or deviation

Fluctuations  
in speed

$$\Delta L_{Route} = L_{23} \cdot \frac{\Delta v_{conv.}}{v_{conv.}}$$

$$\Delta L_{all} = \Delta L_{Sens.} + \Delta L_{React} + \Delta L_{Route}$$

$$t - t_0 = \frac{L_{23}}{v_{conv.}} \rightarrow \text{ready to Push}$$

$$t_0 = \text{time} \rightarrow \text{LS detects workpiece}$$

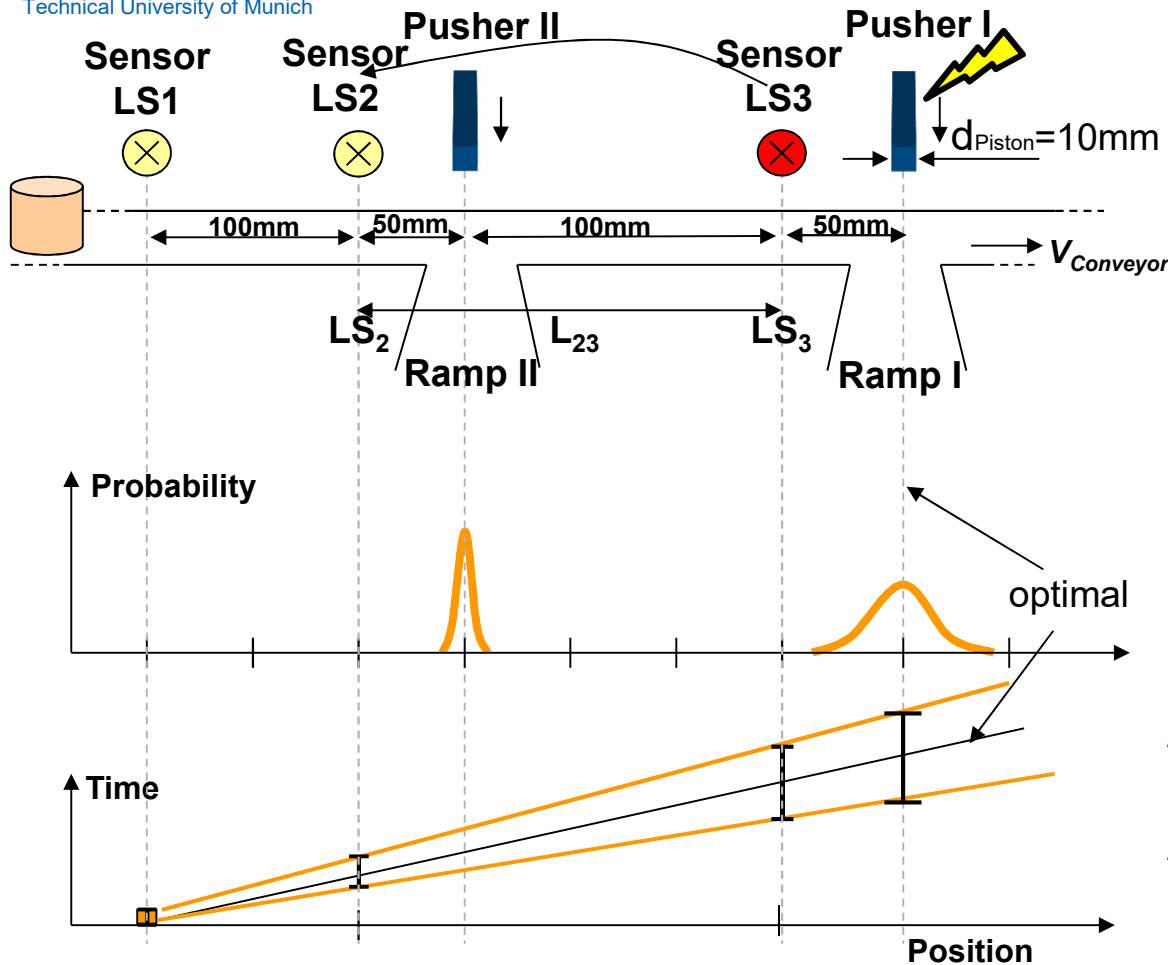
$$t = \text{timer starting with conveyor}$$

### Online operating

Can ejection be guaranteed safely?  
Current fluctuation influences speed

**Solution:** Move conveyor slowly in the piston area

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$\Delta L_{Sens.}$  = Error created by sensing

$\Delta L_{React}$  = Error created by actuating

$\Delta L_{Route}$  = Error created by fluctuation in speed

## Define the additional constraints to avoid system malfunction:

- Due to the uncertainties of the calculation → only the previous sensor is considered
- What if the previous sensor is faulty / can only provide a weak or impermissible signal  
→ No correct and reliable calculation for the current sensor value
- **To annotate this additional Constraint, the following term is declared**

Sorting all sensors by position

```
context Conveyor Module
inv: x-> self.LS -> sortedBy(Position)
    x[n-1].Signal < 2 implies x[n].Signal > 2
```

Define Array "x"

If the value of previous sensor (x[n-1]) is defect (signal <2)  
→ current sensor (x[n]) has to be intact  
→ otherwise the system is not functioning anymore

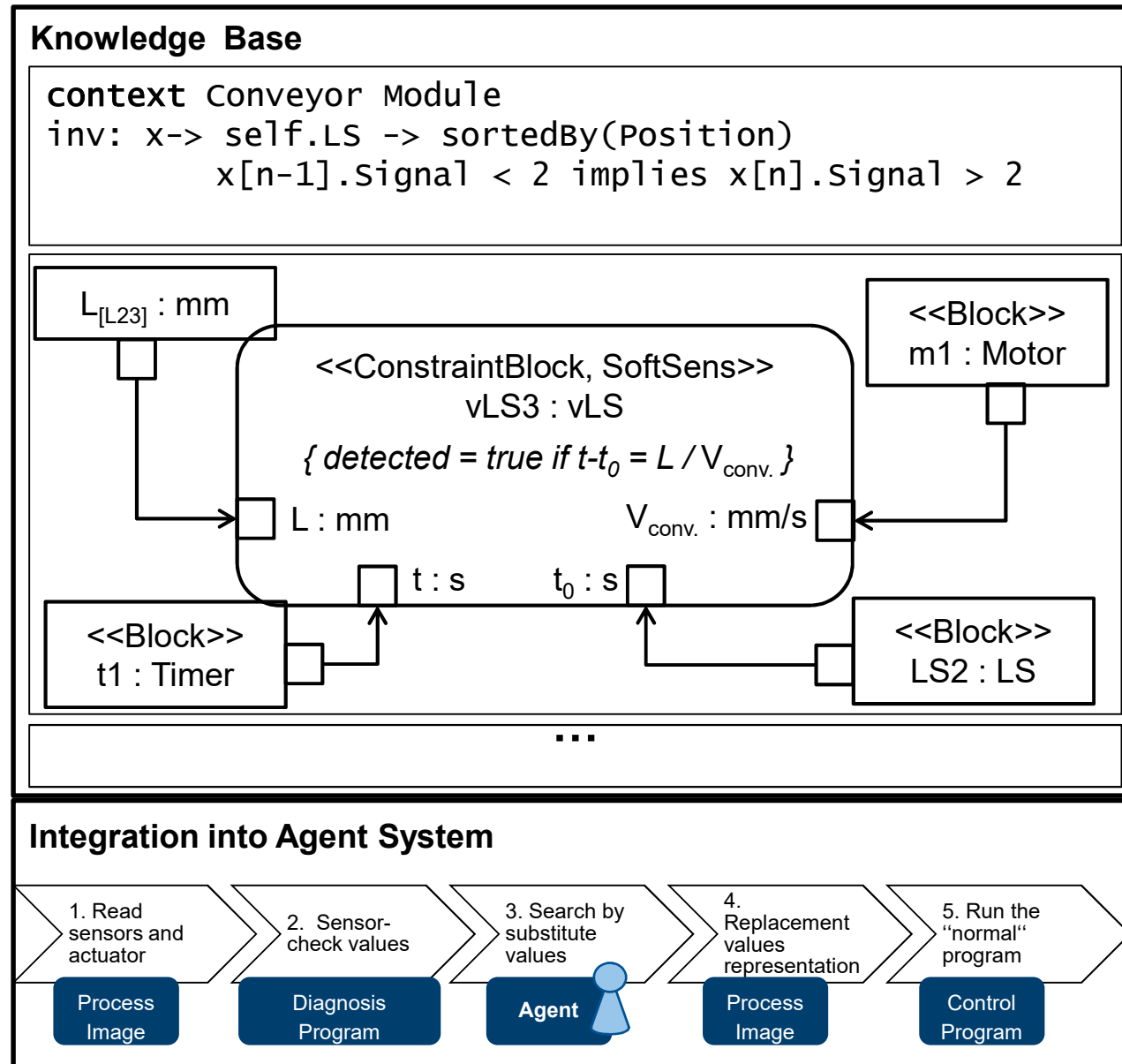
	LS1	LS2	LS3	V <sub>conv.</sub>
LS1	LS1	vLS2	vLS3	
LS2		LS2	vLS3	
LS3			LS3	
V <sub>conv.</sub>		vLS2	vLS3	V <sub>conv.</sub>



## Knowledge base:

Contains knowledge of the system, and the behavior of the system and the environment, e.g. physical behavior, restrictions, layout, speeds, ...

- $t$  is the time starting from the beginning of the conveying process
- $t_0$  is the time when the Sensor LS2 detects a workpiece
- $L$  is the difference between the positions of two sensors (**here Sensor LS2 - Sensor LS1**)
- $V_{conv.}$  is the velocity of the conveyer



# Code generation from Parametric diagram to implement agents' knowledge on PLC for runtime

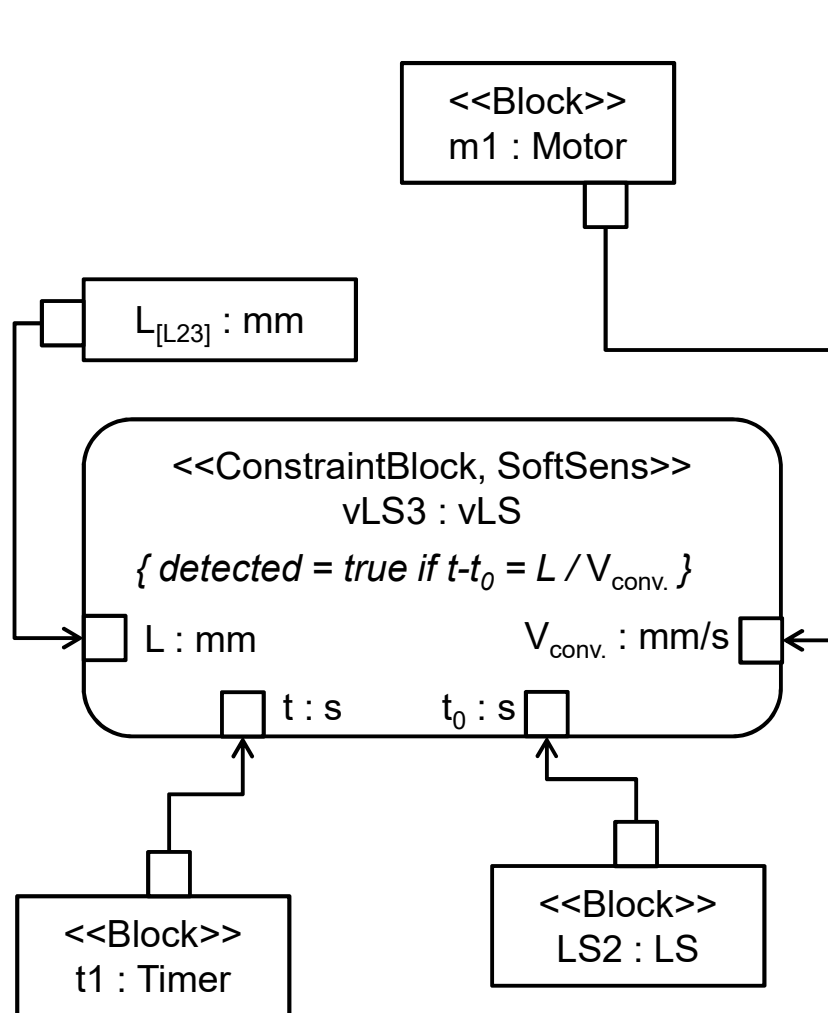


Table of soft sensors

	LS1	LS2	LS3	V <sub>conv.</sub>
LS1	LS1	vLS2	vLS3	
LS2		LS2	vLS3	
LS3			LS3	
V <sub>conv.</sub>		vLS2	vLS3	V <sub>conv.</sub>

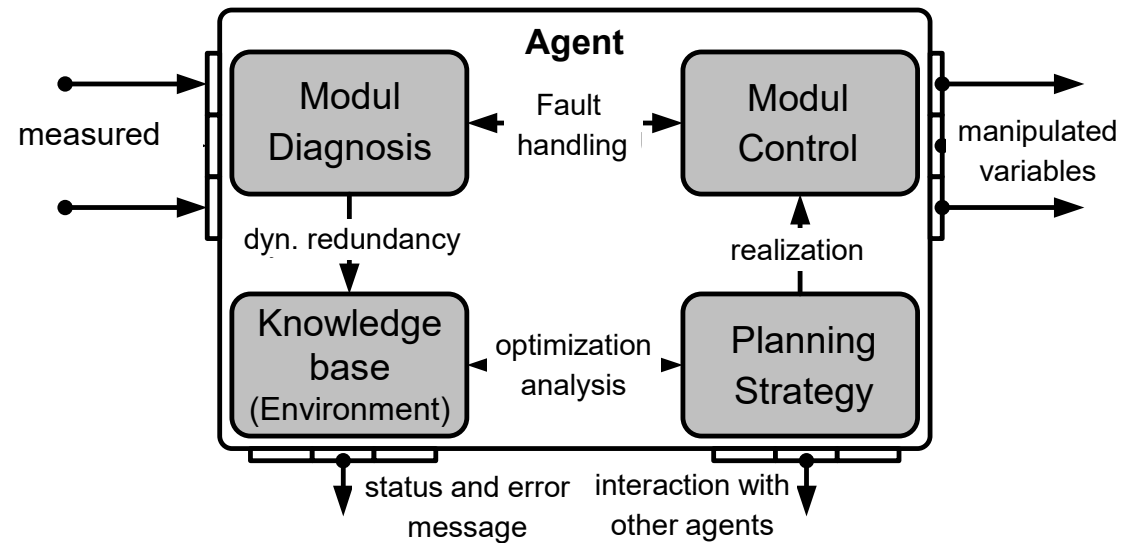
Real sensor

Virtual sensor

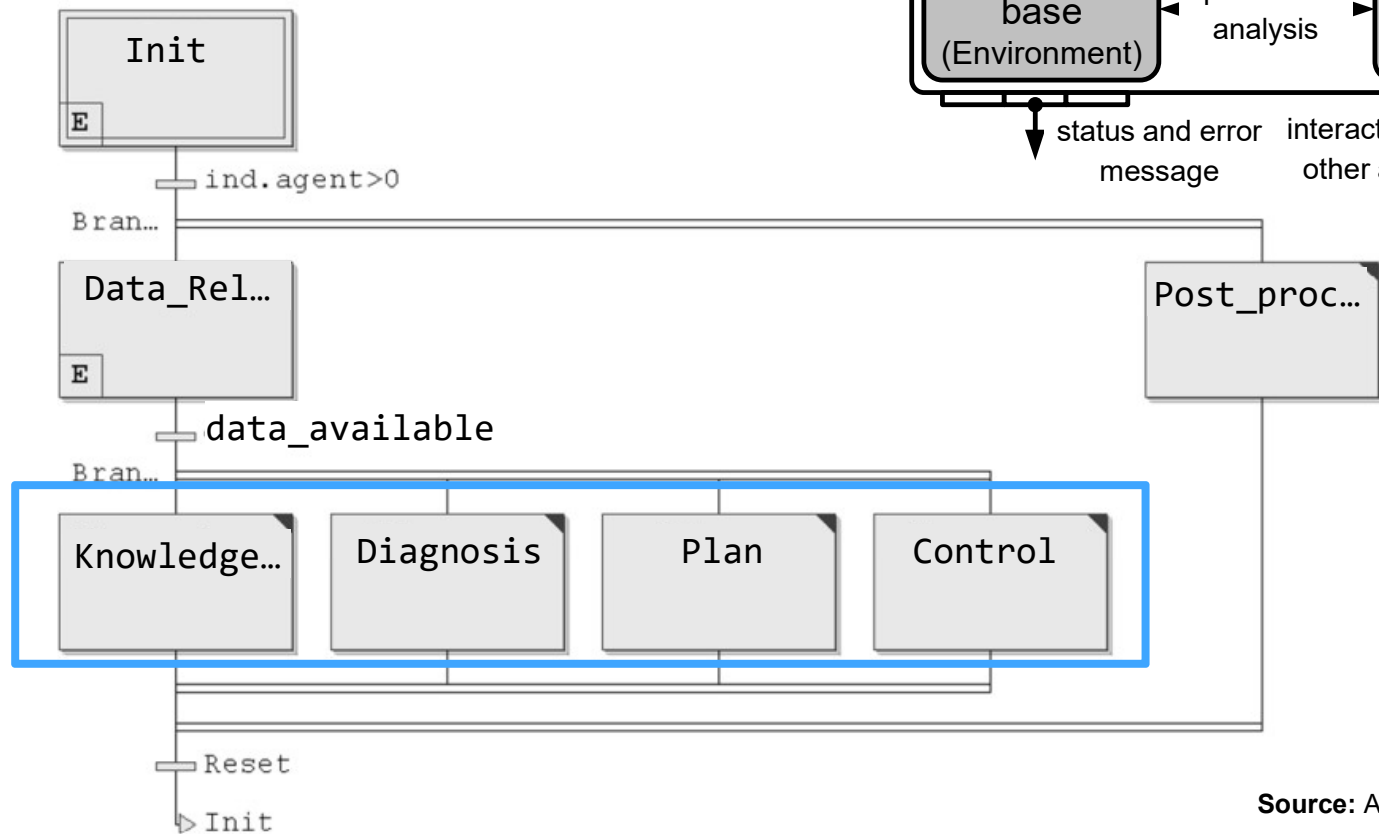
Supporting information



# Control Agent in Sequential Function Chart (SFC)



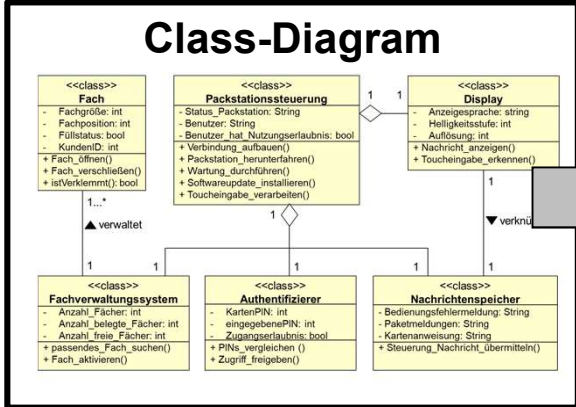
SFC of the Resource agent



Resource agent

Source: Andreas Wannagat. Dissertation 2010

Structural Model



### Declaration Section

```

typedef struct Lager_s {
    int WS_vorhanden;
    MATERIAL Material;
    HELBIGKEIT Helligkeit;
    Zylinder Schiebezyylinder;
    Sensor Sensor_opt;
    Sensor Sensor_kap;
    Sensor Sensor_ind;
} Lager;

typedef enum {Aluminium, Kunststoff} MATERIAL;
typedef enum {hell, dunkel} HELBIGKEIT;

int Lager_WS_vereinzeln( void ) { /*...*/ }
MATERIAL Lager_WS_analisierenMaterial( void ) { /*...*/ }
HELBIGKEIT Lager_WS_analisierenHelligkeit( void ) { /*...*/ }
void Lager_Notaus( void ) { /*...*/ }
int Lager_Init( void ) { /*...*/ }
    
```

### Program

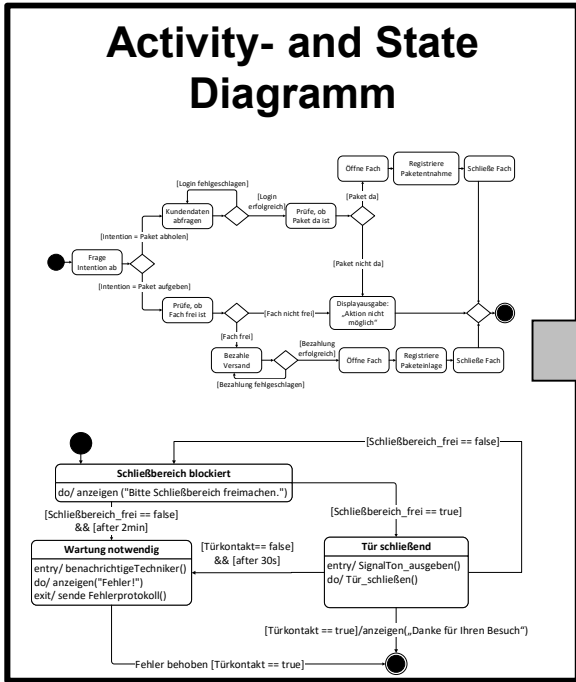
```

#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <math.h>
#include <time.h>

//... (more code)

int main() {
    //... (more code)
}
    
```

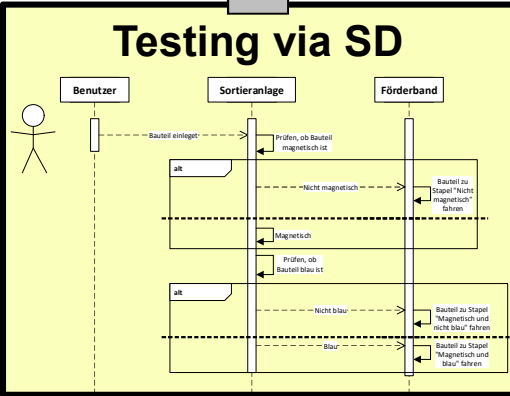
Behavioral Model



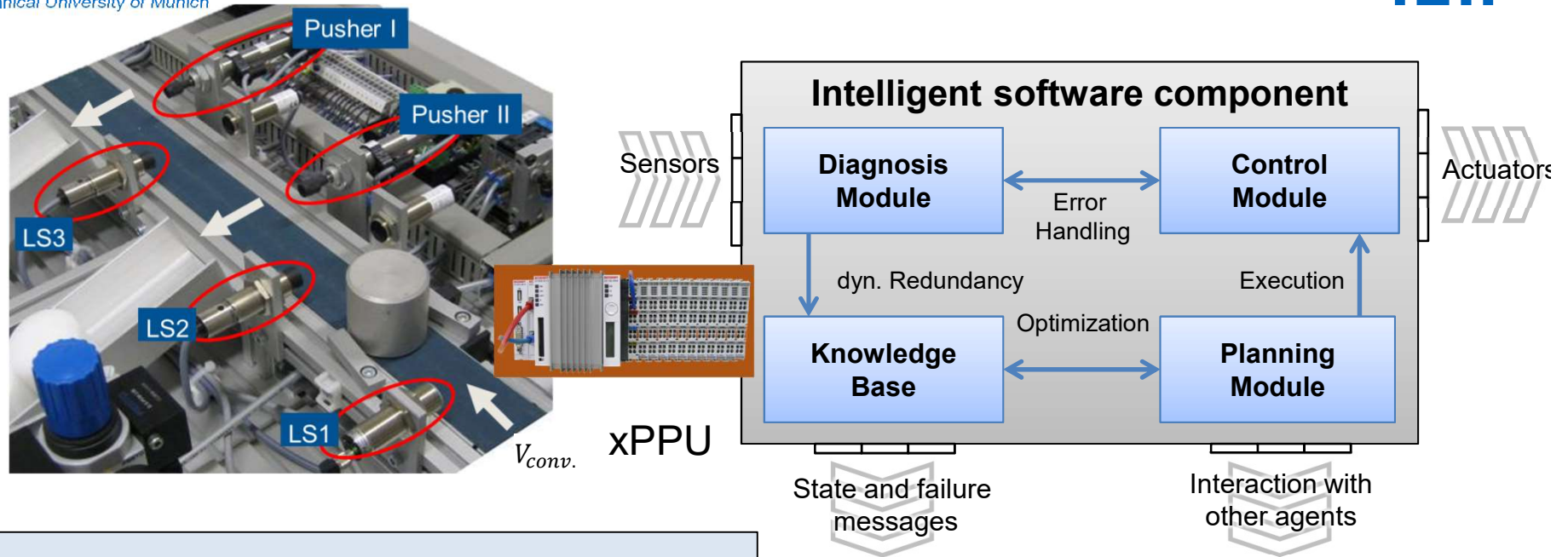
### Implementation Section

```

//VERARBEITUNG
switch(iStateID)
{
    /*Hier würde Implementierung der ersten States stehen*/
    case 5: //Kran bei Lager
        //ausgehende Transition
        if( iSGreiferUnten == 1 && iSGreiferOben == 0)
        {
            iAGreiferNachUnten = 0; //Exit Action
            iStateInitial = 1; //für nächsten State
            if (iSLagerInduktiv == 0) //State wechseln
            {
                iStateID = 201;
            }
            else iStateID = 101;
            break; //Verlassen des States
        }
        if ( iStateInitial == 1 ) //bei Betreten
        {
            iAGreiferNachUnten = 1; //Entry Action
            iStateInitial = 0;
        }
        //Wenn vorhanden, hier noch "Do Actions" einfügen
        break;
        /*Hier würde Implementierung der nächsten States stehen*/
}
    
```



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### Diagnosis Module

- Evaluation of sensors values
- Execution of failure diagnosis

### Control Module

Control of the plant module or other sub-agents

```

    Extend()
    Retract()
    FB_Separator
    actions:
    ToggleSeparator()
  
```

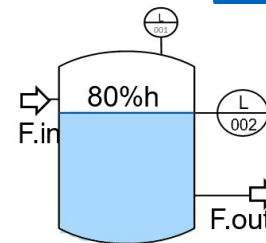
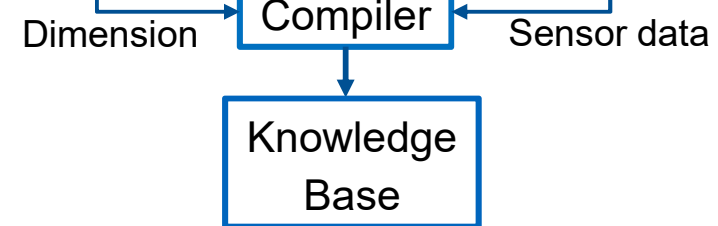
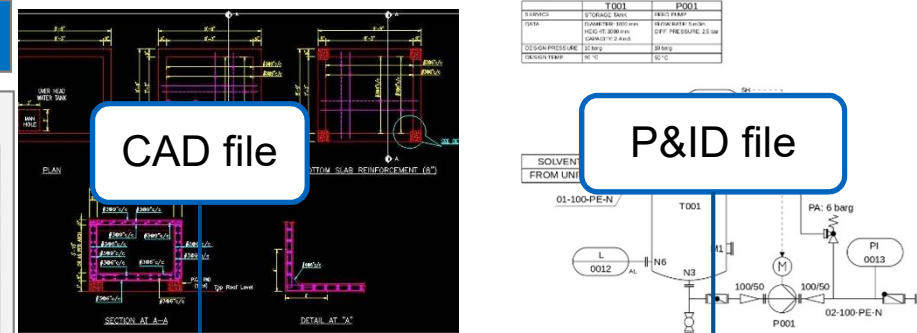
### Knowledge Base

Models of the agents' local knowledge

The Knowledge Base contains models of local knowledge. It includes 'Dynamic Reconfiguration' with nodes M1 and LB1, 'Alarm data' from a Pump, and an 'Ontology' with classes like `mySortierband : Sortierband` and `mySortQ : SortQ`. The ontology includes constraints like `qSort = qV * qLS` and `qV = qV * qLS`. Other elements include `Sortiergenauigkeit`, `qSort`, `qLS`, `quality`, `qV`, `SensV : Geschwindigkeitssensor`, and `LS2 : Lichtschranke`.

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## Application in process control

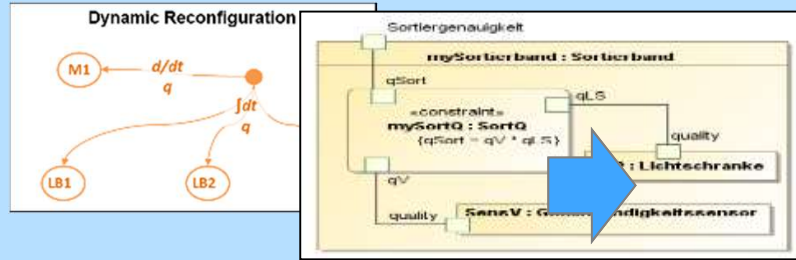


$$\Delta F = F.in - F.out$$

$$\Delta V = (1 - 80\%) \cdot l \cdot w \cdot h$$

$$\Delta t = \Delta V / \Delta F$$

## Knowledge Base (SysML-based)



## Templates referred to the MOFM2T-standard

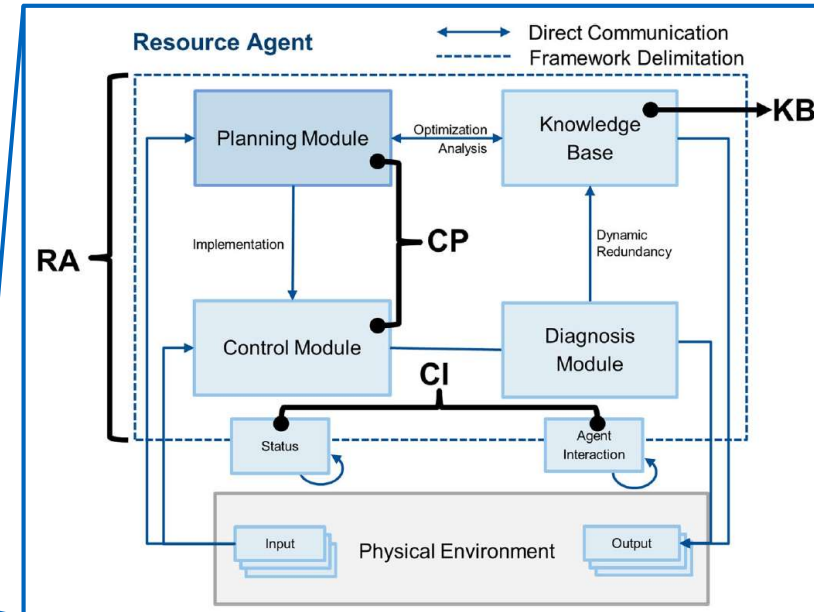
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	ADR(VA2.out)		
		ADR(VB1.out)	
			ADR(VB2.out)

## Implementation of redundancy matrix

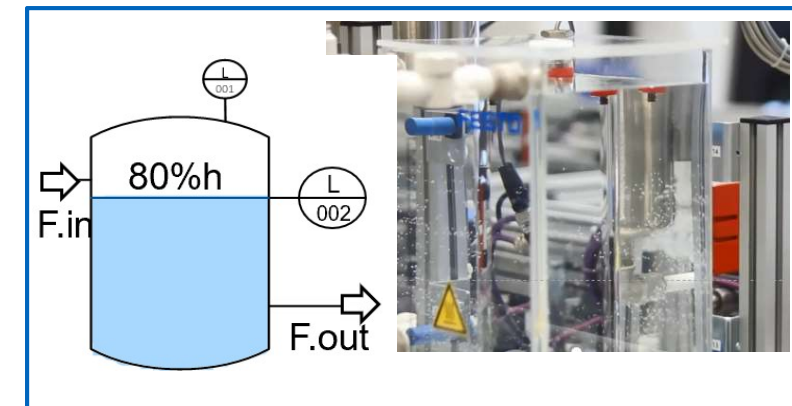
# Agent design patterns for AF- fault recovery – Level 0

## VDI/VDE 2653 part 4 (Draft)

Criteria	Descriptions	Wannagat's Resource agent
<b>Pattern category</b>	Favorable function patterns:, e.g., increased flexibility	Reliability (fault-tolerance)
<b>Pattern type</b>	Name of the pattern type	MAS for faulty sensor or actuator identification in automation systems
<b>Pattern name</b>	Name of the MAS pattern	Agent@PLC
<b>Pattern description</b>	Logic structure (which components does the pattern contain?)	Four (4) main modules are in the Resource agent, addressed by patterns: CI, CP, RA and KB
<b>Context/area of application</b>	Application context of the pattern	aPS
<b>MAS-architecture</b>	Approach for realization of the agents' behavior	Hybrid-pattern replaces faulty valve value with virtual one, MDE calculation
<b>Solution</b>	Graphical depiction of the MAS-Architecture	See Figure
<b>Knowledge base and processing</b>	How is the knowledge stored? Models, rules, etc.	OOP and SysML
<b>Learning /knowledge acquisition</b>	Methods and techniques	Possible, filtering wrong valve' values
<b>Implementation</b>	MAS technologies for realization, e.g. languages	IEC 61131-3
<b>Real-time properties</b>	Timeliness and concurrency requirements	x
<b>Dependability</b>	Requirements towards availability, security	
<b>MAS-autonomy</b>	Autonomy/independence in decision making	Half-half dependable–individual agents represent and control plant units



**CI:** Communication interface; **CP:** Coordination Process; **KB:** Knowledge Base; **RA:** Resource access



Multi-agent systems in industrial automation (Gründruck):  
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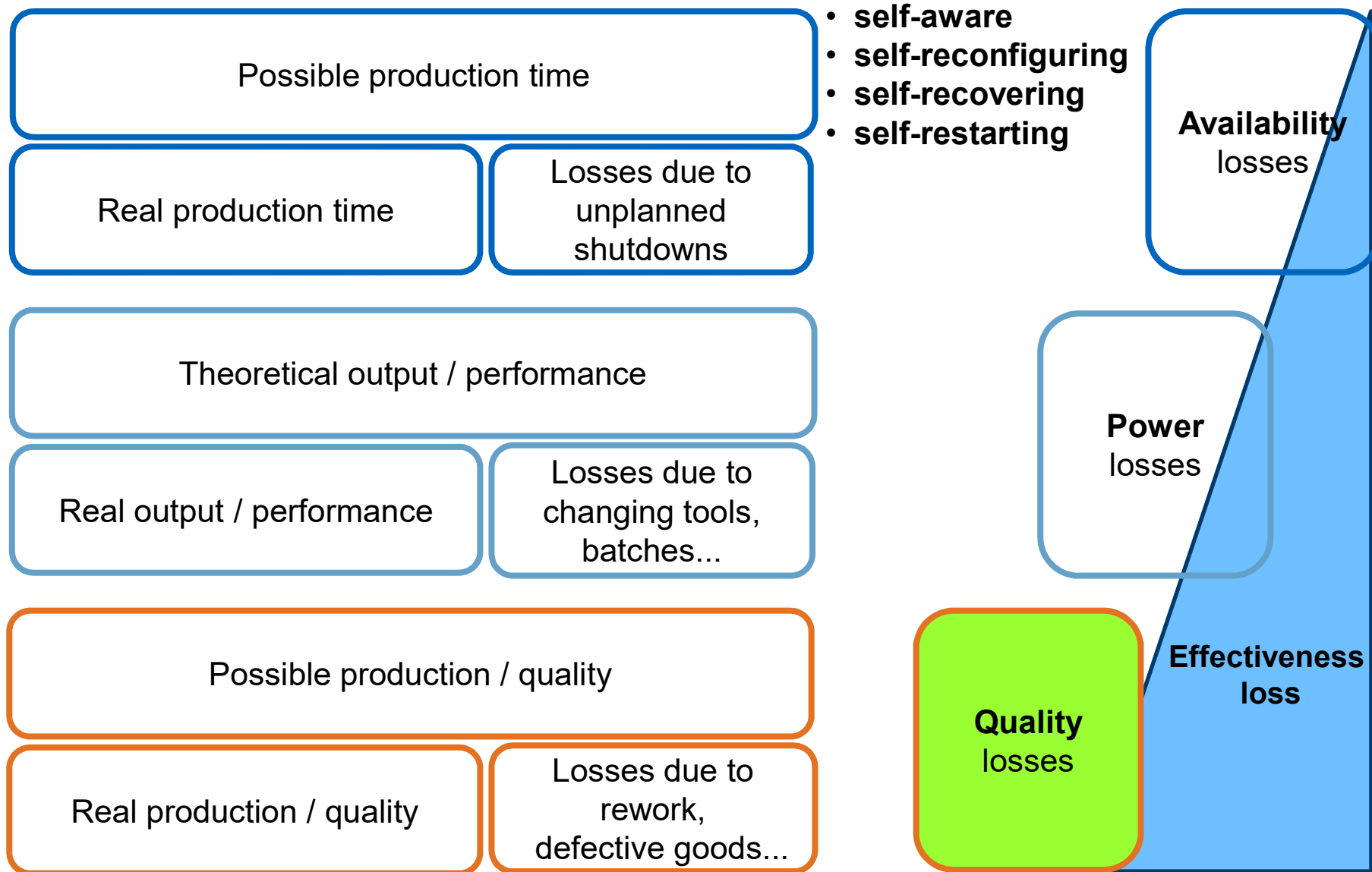
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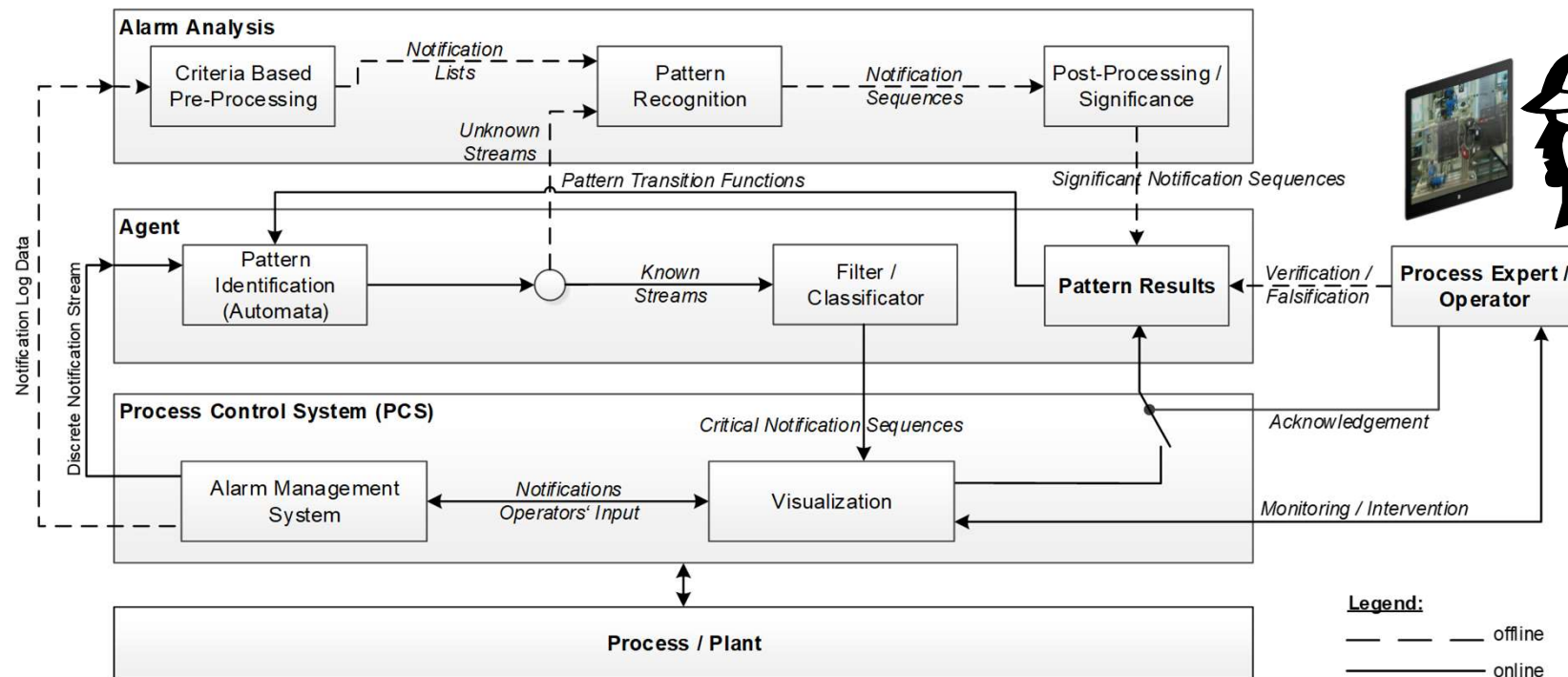
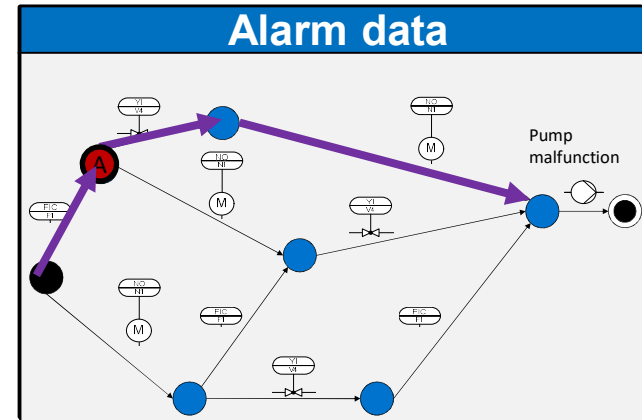
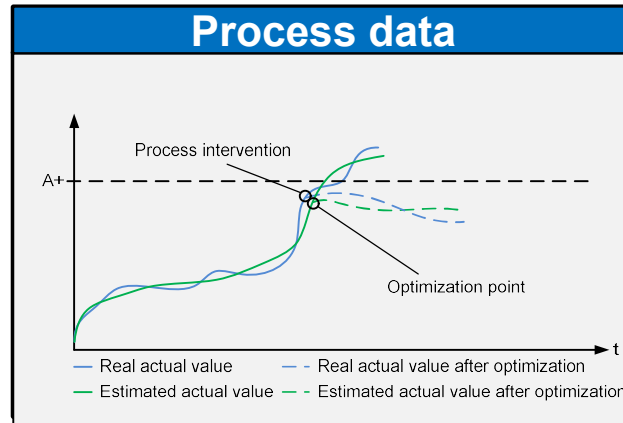
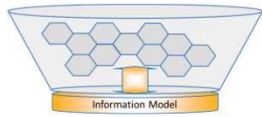


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# Increase Overall Equipment Effectiveness (OEE)

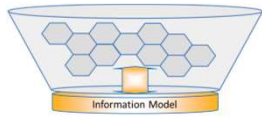


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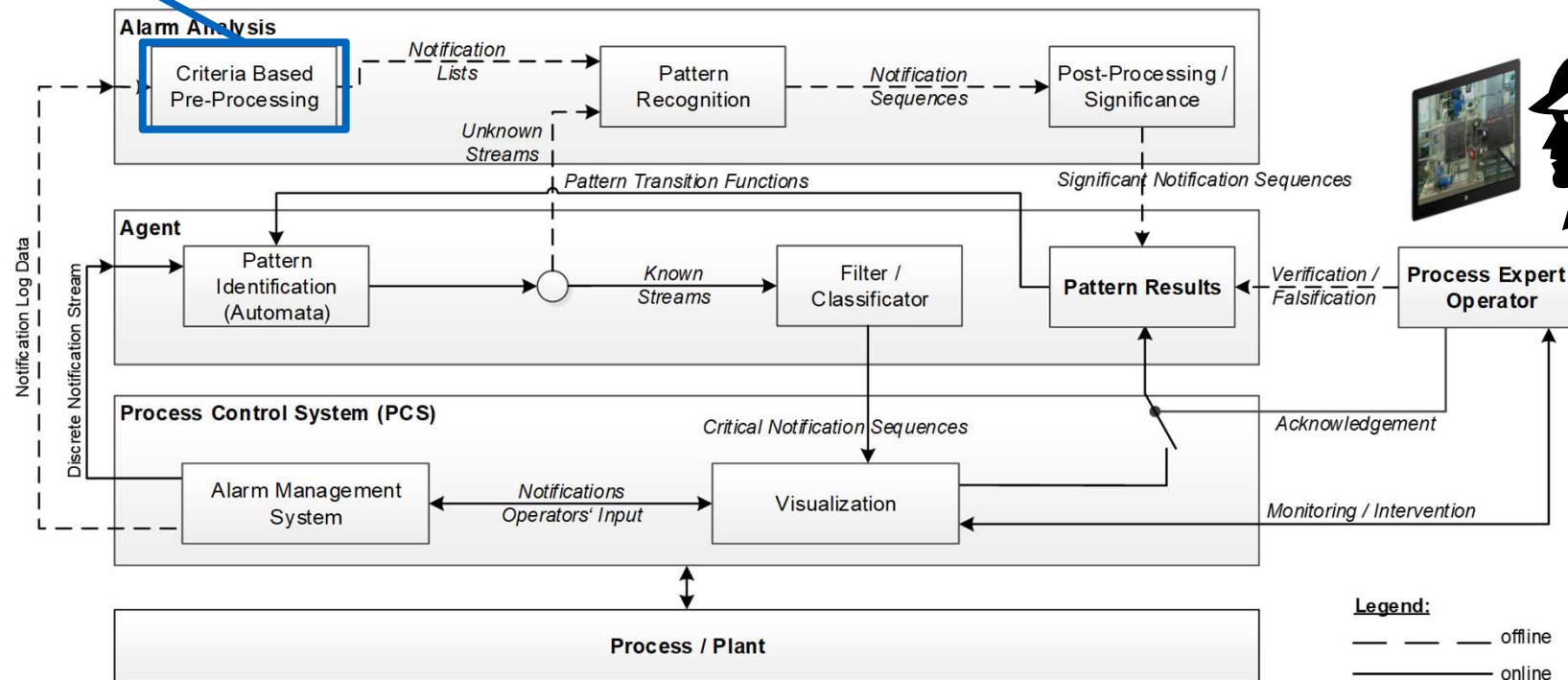
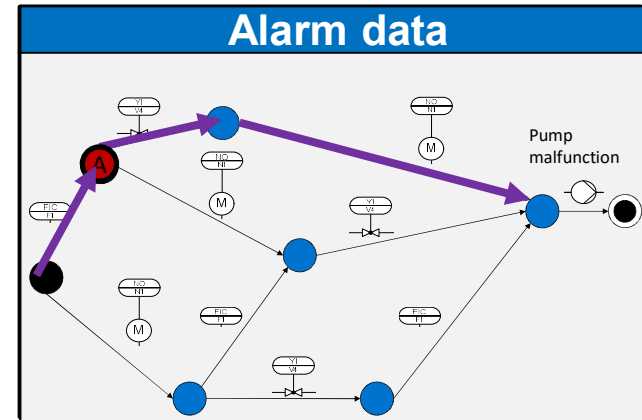
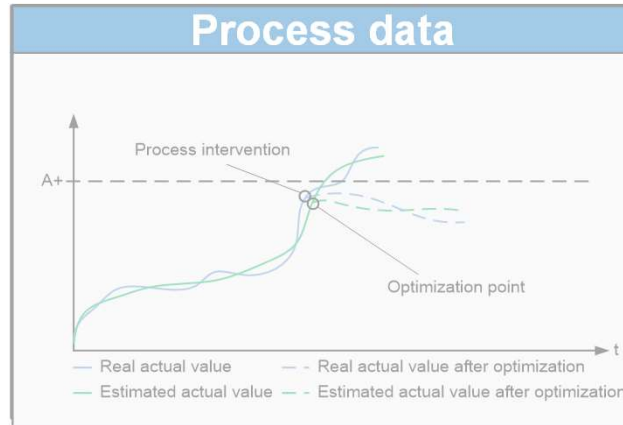


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E.g., Similarity analysis with clustering



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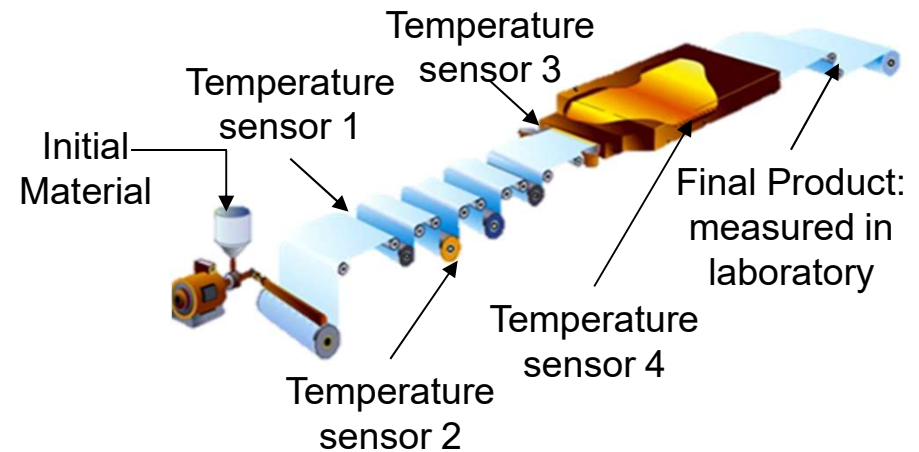
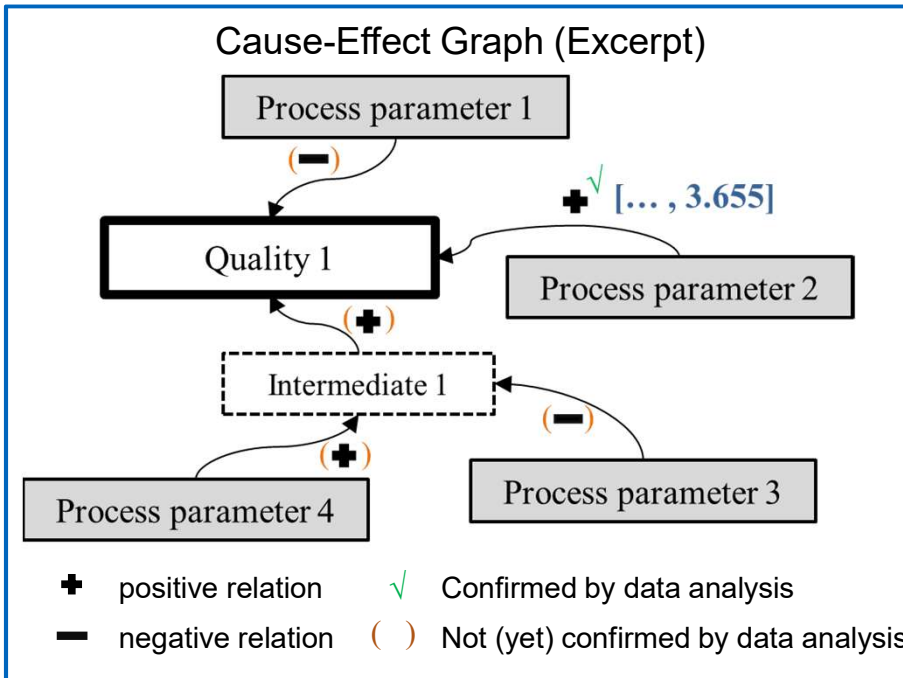
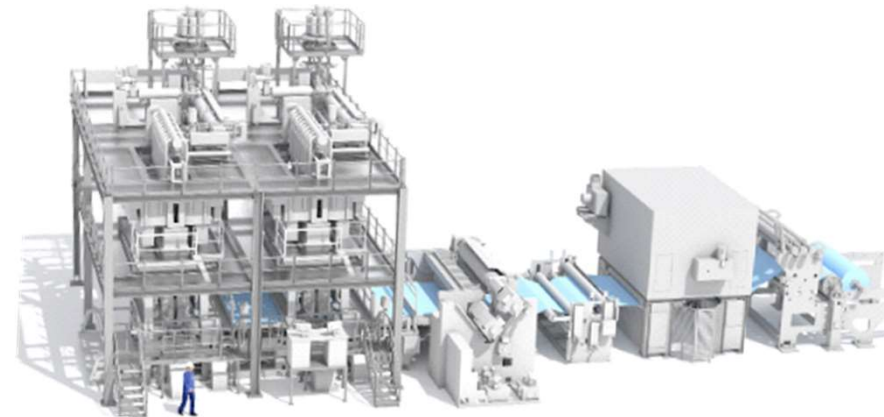


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## Expert Knowledge through Interviews

=> Mental Models representing the cause and effect relation of process and quality parameters of aPS





Agent with embedded expert knowledge



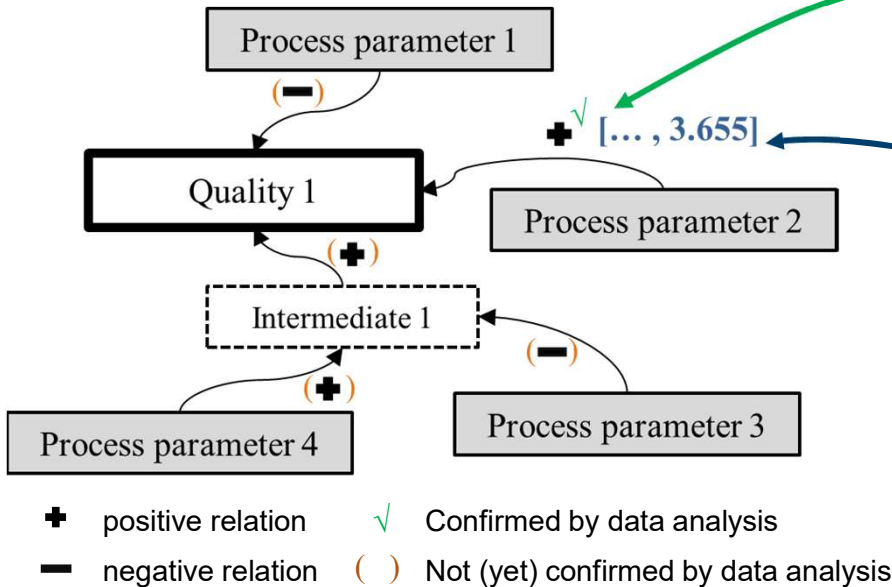
Agent analysing data (online), using offline design models to predict quality parameter



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### Cause-Effect Graph (Excerpt)



## Data Mining

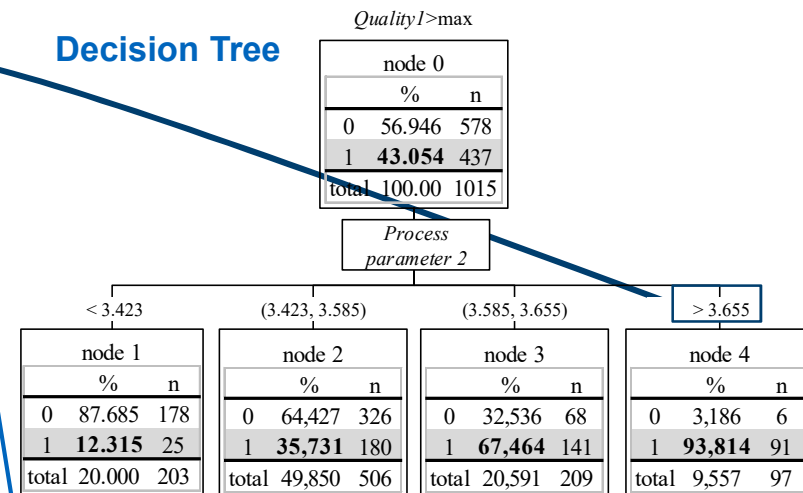
### Logistic Regression

Estimator for Quality1>max

	$\beta_j$	S.E.	Sig.
absolute term	-44.379	3.225	0.000
Process parameter 1	0.041	0.405	0.920
Process parameter 2	12.285	0.987	0.000
Intermediate 1	0.256	0.350	0.507

S.E. = Standard Error, Sig. = Significance

### Decision Tree



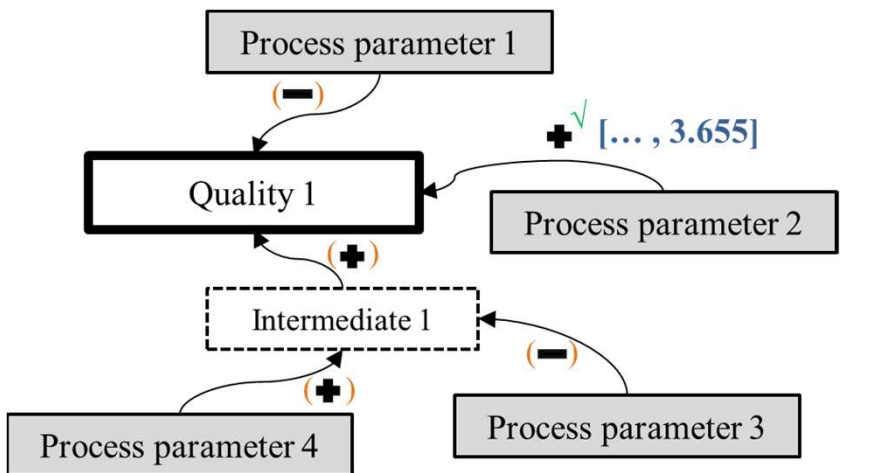
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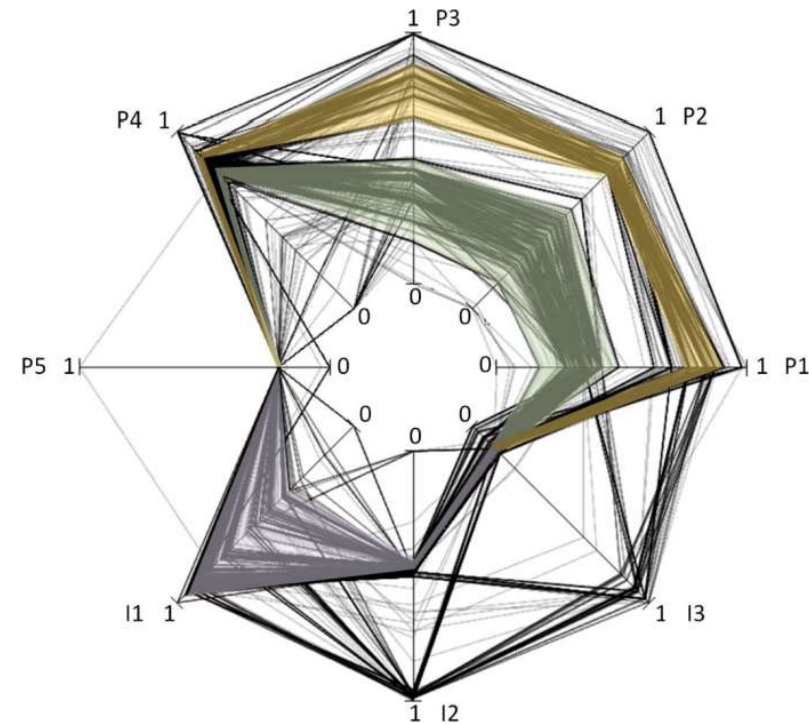
## Expert Knowledge Acquisition through Interviews

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### Cause-Effect Graph (Excerpt)



+ positive relation    ✓ Confirmed by data analysis  
 - negative relation    ( ) Not (yet) confirmed by data analysis



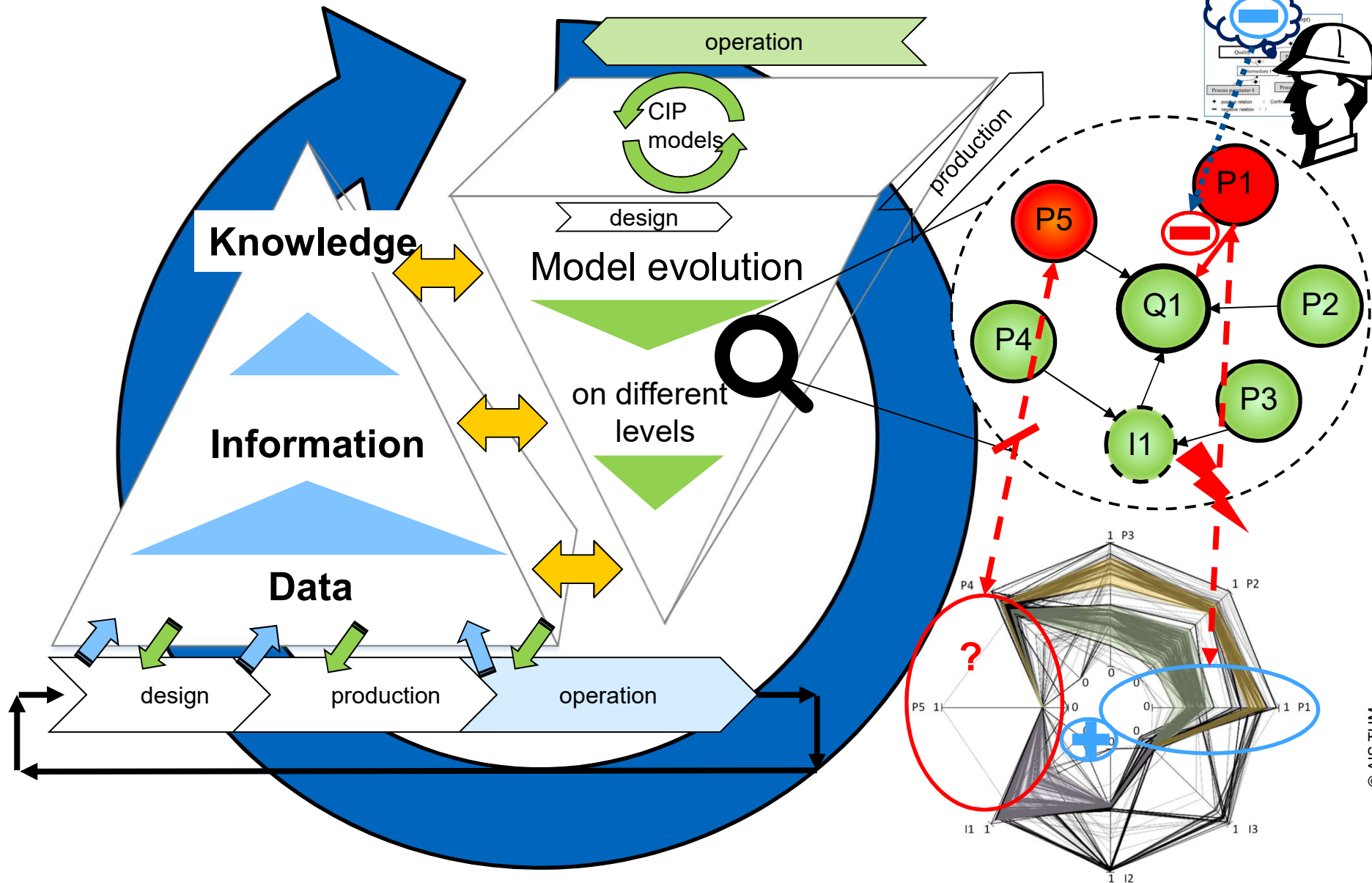
- Data only show a specific selection of parameter combinations
- Data analysis cannot show true correlation of parameters

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# Process data to improve models



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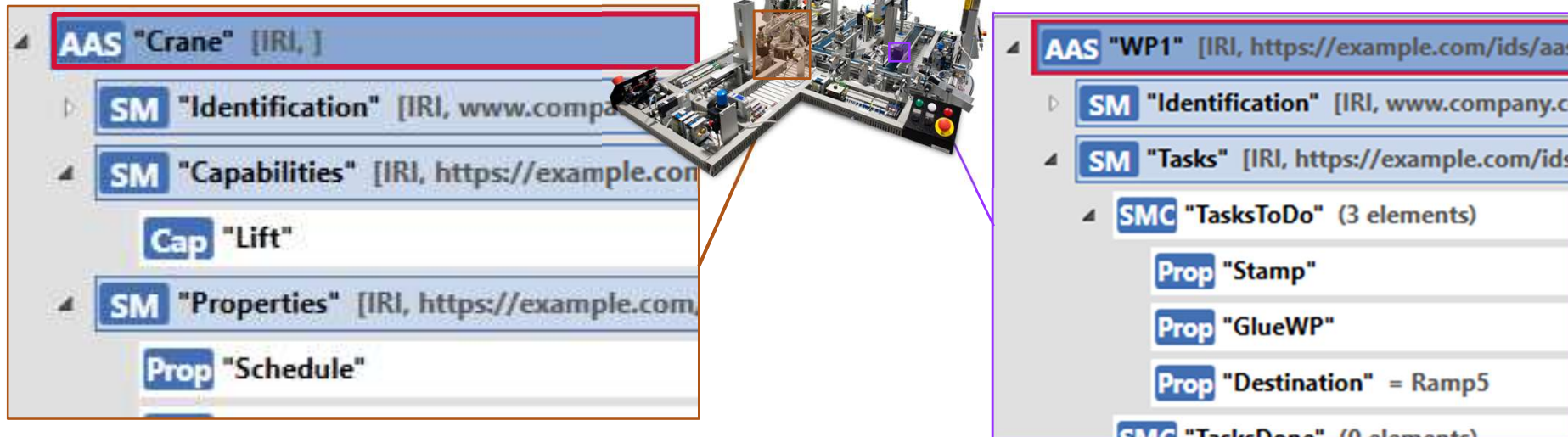
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Agent type	Information	AAS concept	Definition (Plattform I4.0, 2020)
RA	Resource capabilities	Capability	“Implementation-independent potential of an Industrie 4.0 component to achieve an effect within a domain”
	Description of costs, objective function	Submodel, properties	“Models which are technically separated from each other and which are included in the asset administration shell”
	RA parameters, variables, status information	Submodel template	“Specification of the common features of an object in sufficient detail that such object can be instantiated using it”
PA	Product features	Submodel, properties	<i>cp. above</i>
	Mapping product features onto production processes	Capability	<i>cp. above</i>
	Static parameters; variables; production status	Submodel template	<i>cp. above</i>

### AAS of plant module →Crane

Reference to a module

### AAS of product →Workpiece



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# I4.0 scenarios' gap

## VDI/VDE 2193-1: Vocabulary of the I4.0 language



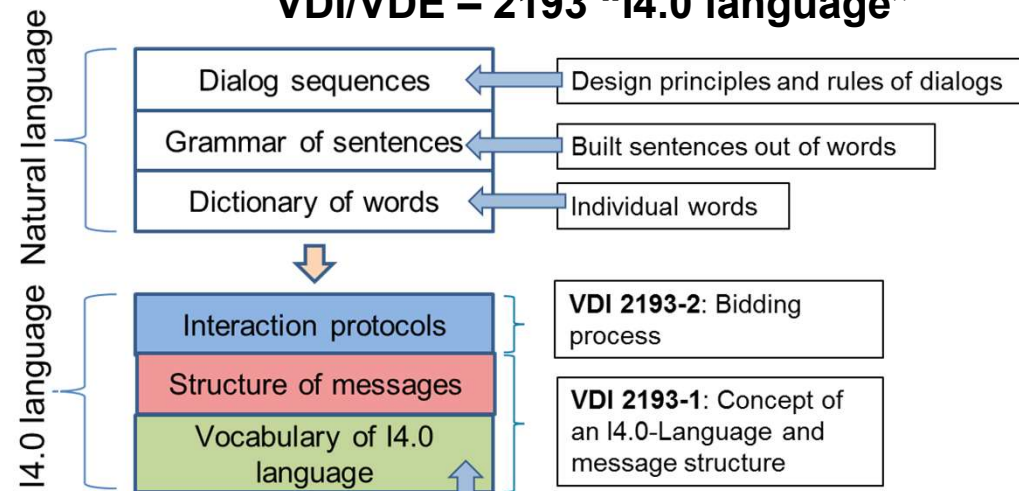
### Gap

Machine executable and semantic unambiguous abstraction of the real world

### Solution

Extending the interoperability by standardized I4.0 language among multiples I4.0 scenarios (not only focusing on the traditional Adaptable factories concept)

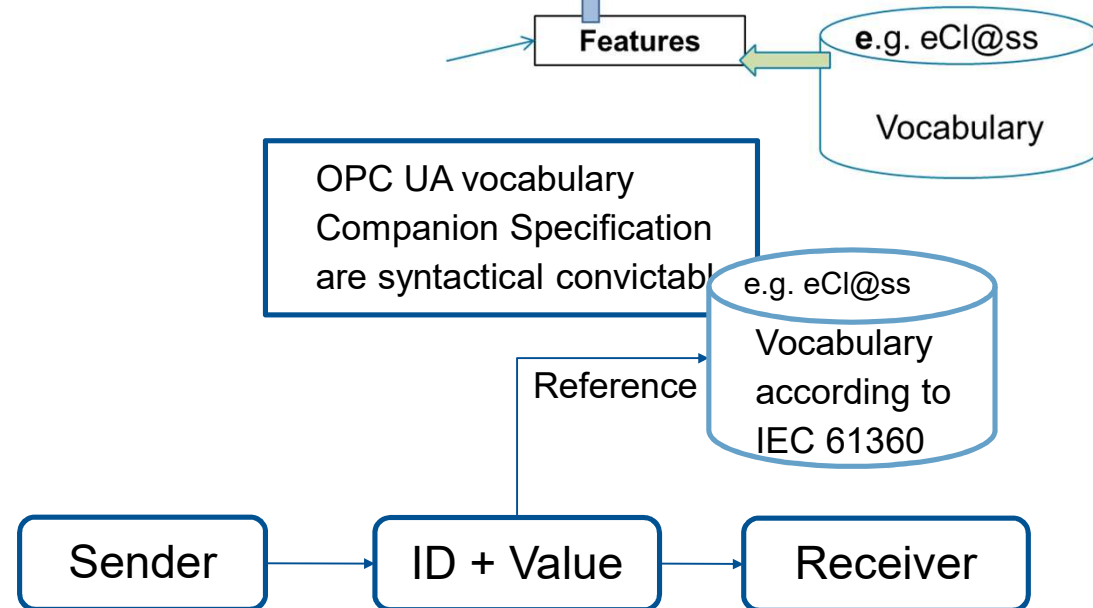
### VDI/VDE – 2193 “I4.0 language”



### Nominal Voltage 240V

Attribute	Value
ID	0173-1#02-BAB576#005
Version	V9.1
Name	Spannung
Description	-
Symbol	U
SI unit	V
Data type	real
Value	240
Value range	0..240

ISO 29002-5  
URL  
IEC 61360

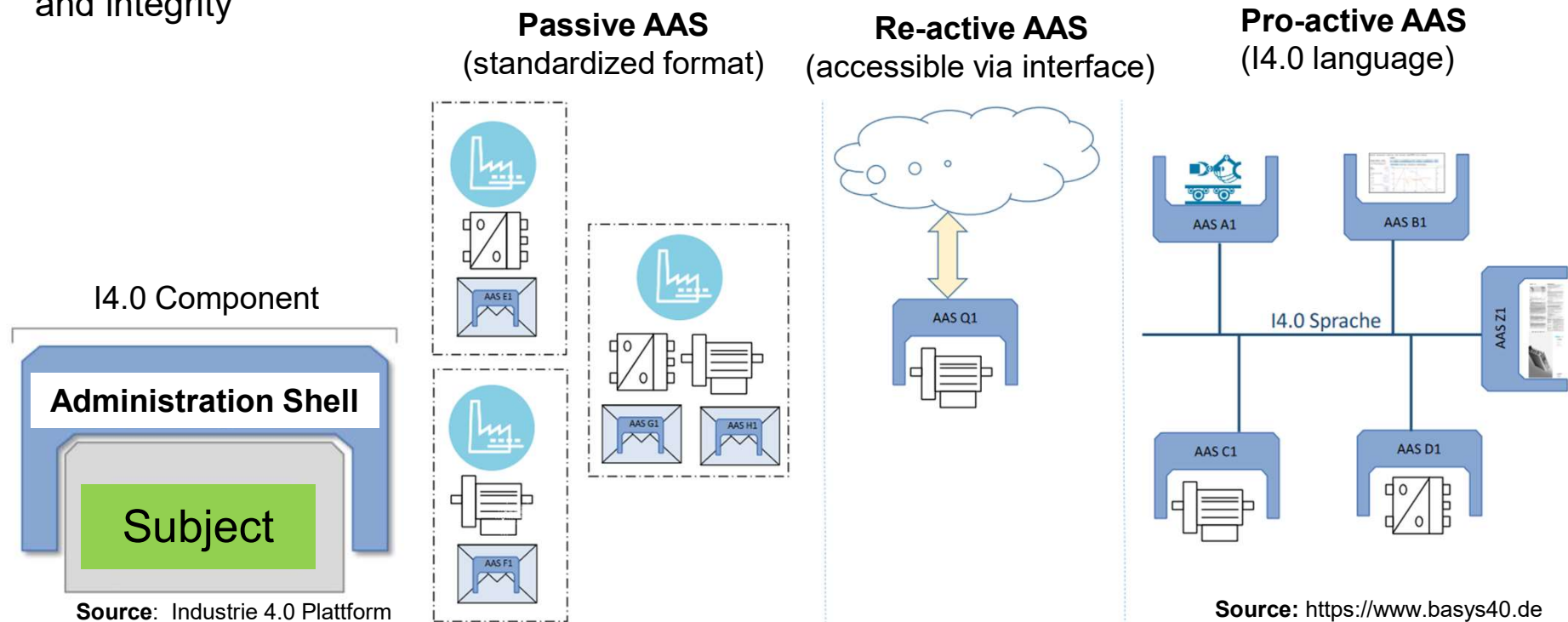


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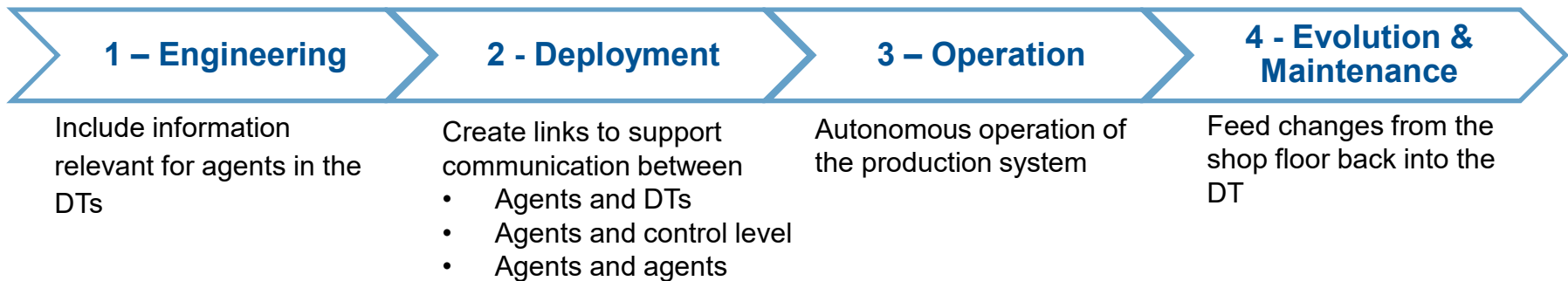
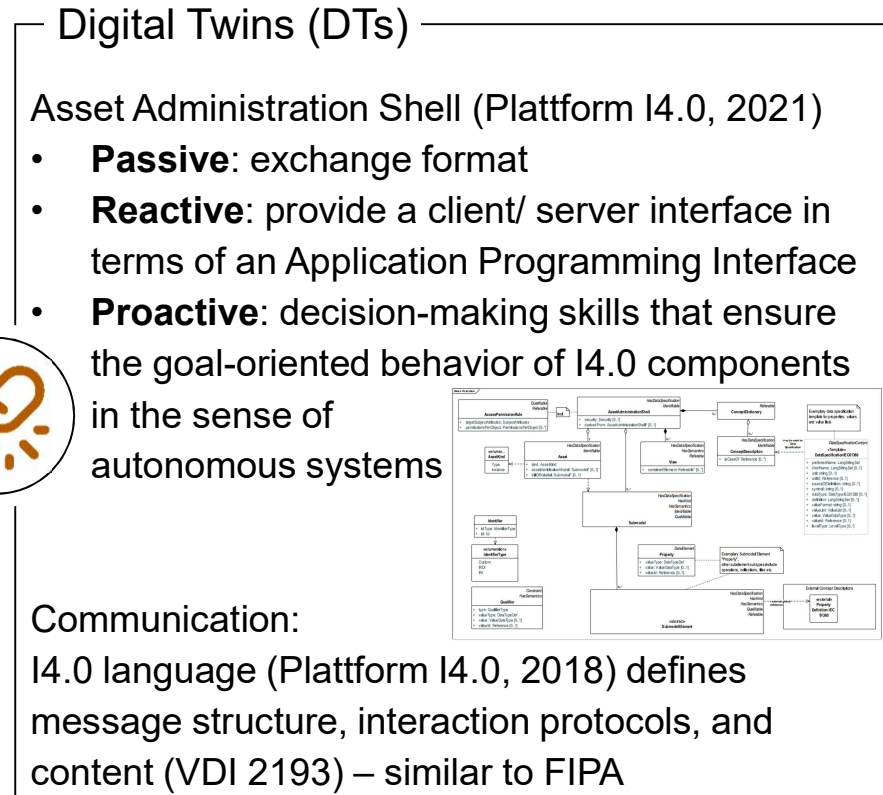
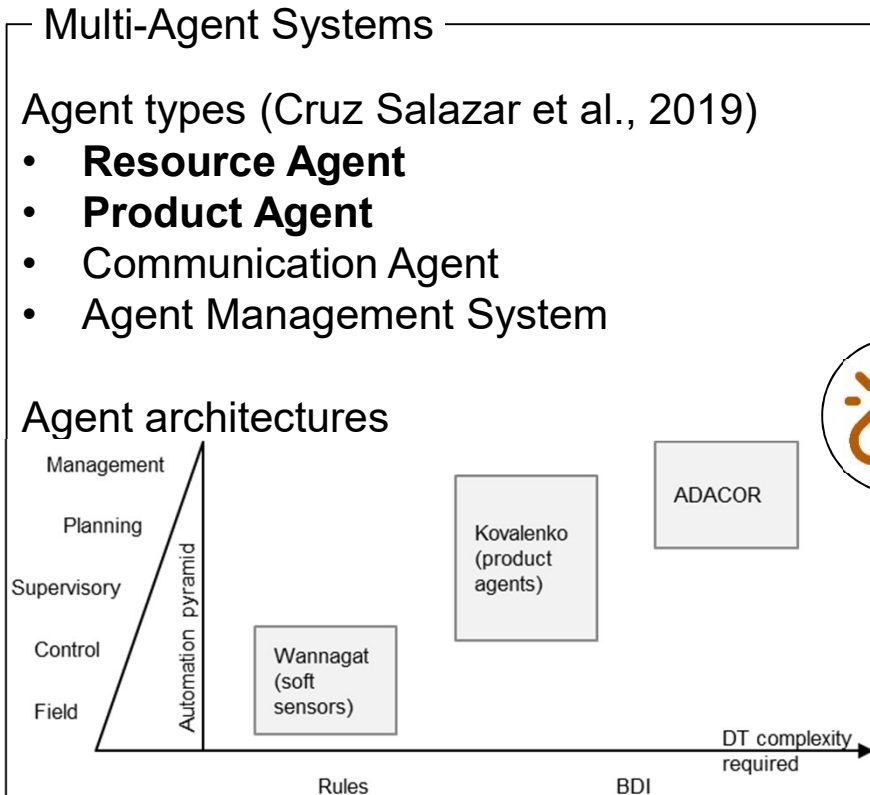
## \*Management shell (Asset Administration Shell or AAS)

- Administration shell + physical object → I4.0 component
- provides interface for I4.0 communication
- Addresses: access protection, visibility, identity and rights management, confidentiality and integrity



DotAAS-Details of the Asset Administration Shell - Part 1 The exchange of information between partners in the value chain of Industrie 4.0 (Version 3.0RC01)

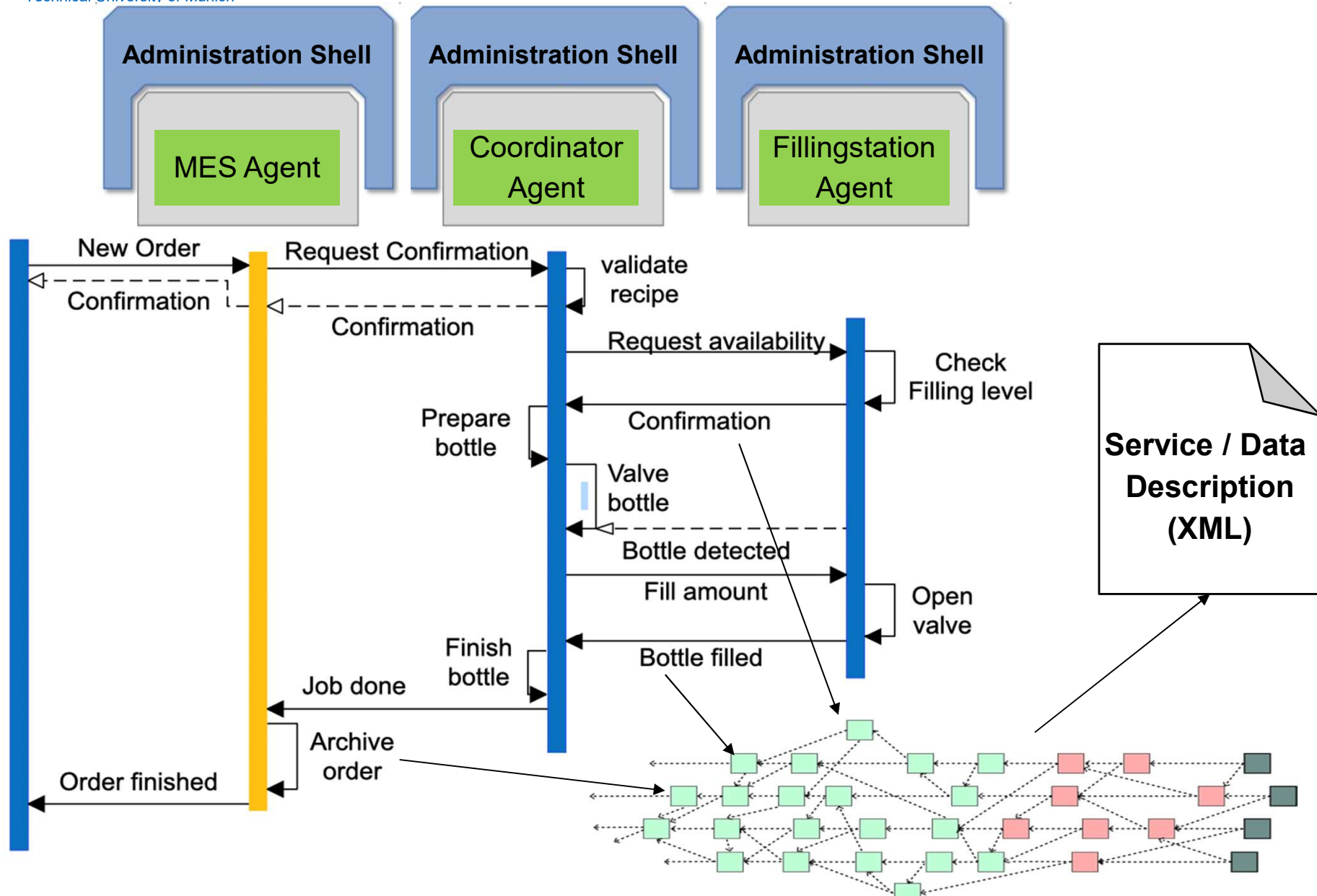
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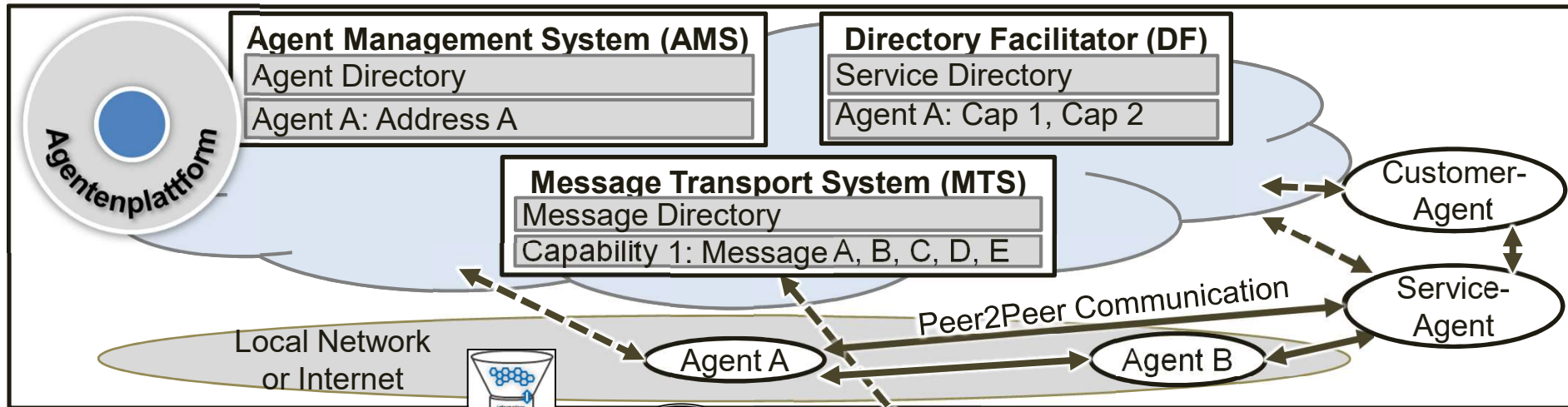
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# I4.0 language messages as IOTA transactions



# I4.0 architecture for OCP

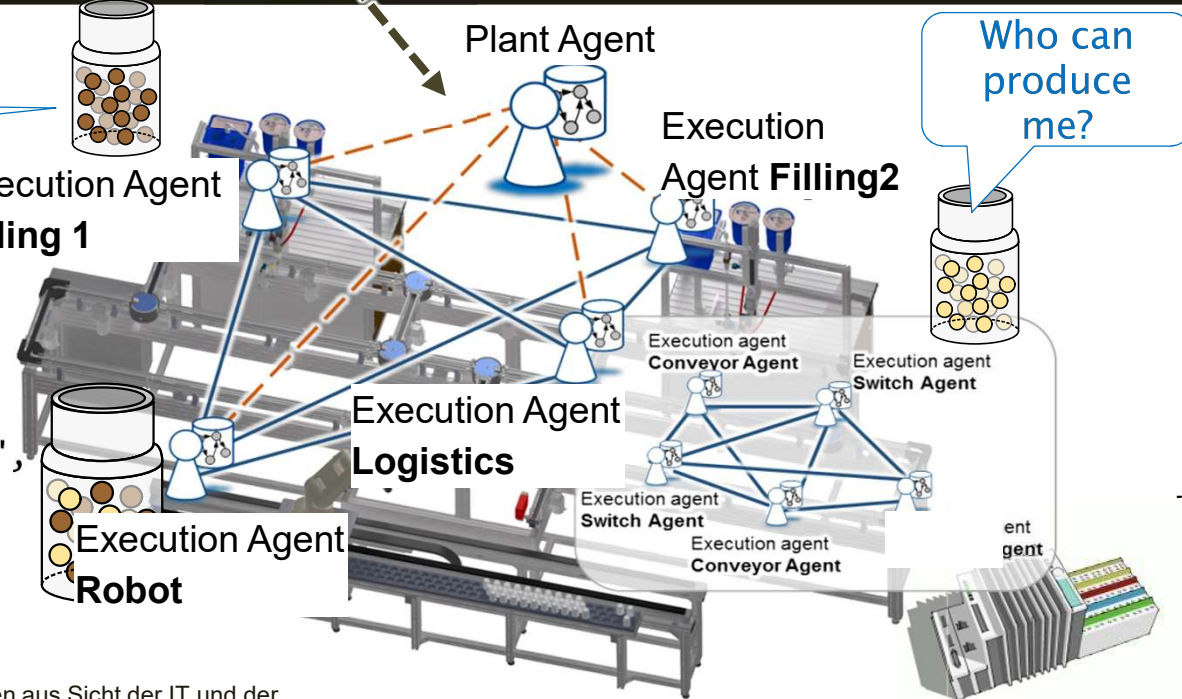


Who can transport me?

Who can produce me?

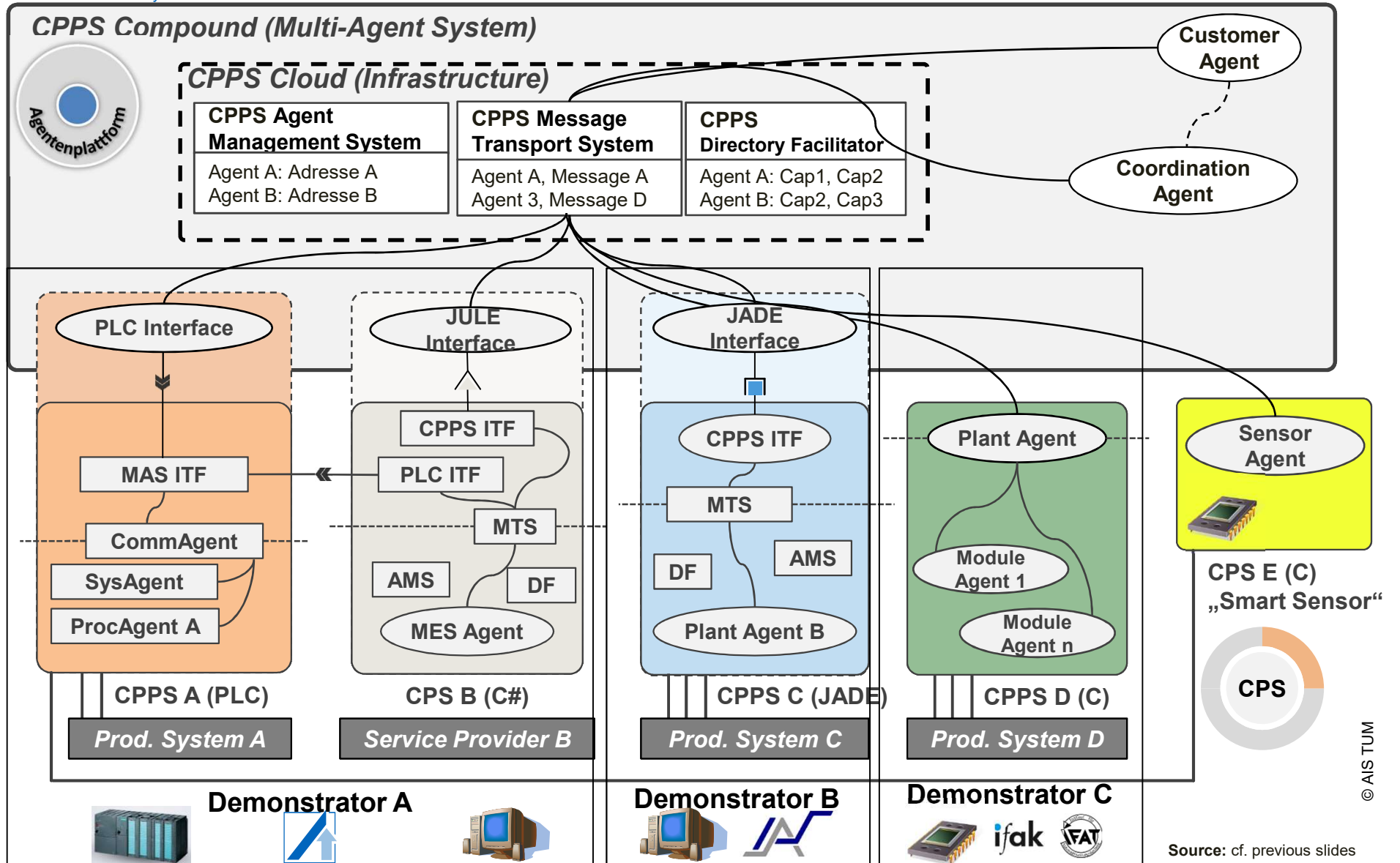
Message in JSON-Format (example)

```
{
  "Sender": "Sender_ID",
  "Destination": Destination_ID,
  "ConversationNo": "ConversationID",
  "MessageNo": "Message_ID",
  "ResponseDueTo": "Answers-until",
  "Purpose": "CfP,"
}
```



Starterkit I4.0: [http://i40d.ais.mw.tum.de/index/industrie//en\\_US](http://i40d.ais.mw.tum.de/index/industrie//en_US)

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**Goal:** development of **agent-based applications** in automation technology & development of **novel approaches** and **methods** of agent systems

## Current Research Foci:

### Agent systems and learning

- Learning agents, AI and (distributed) learning methods
- (Selective) information exchange between agents (transfer of intermediate knowledge) & semantic service discovery techniques
- Autonomy & AI

### Agents in the Supply Chain/ Agents in Decision Network

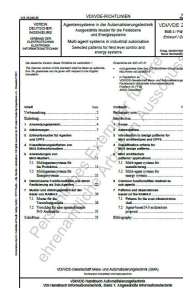
- Agents in **production, intralogistics & Supply Chain** (JIT and JIS)
- Architecture to combine the concepts of agents, service-oriented architectures and semantics
- Autonomy for the decision maker
- Other application areas



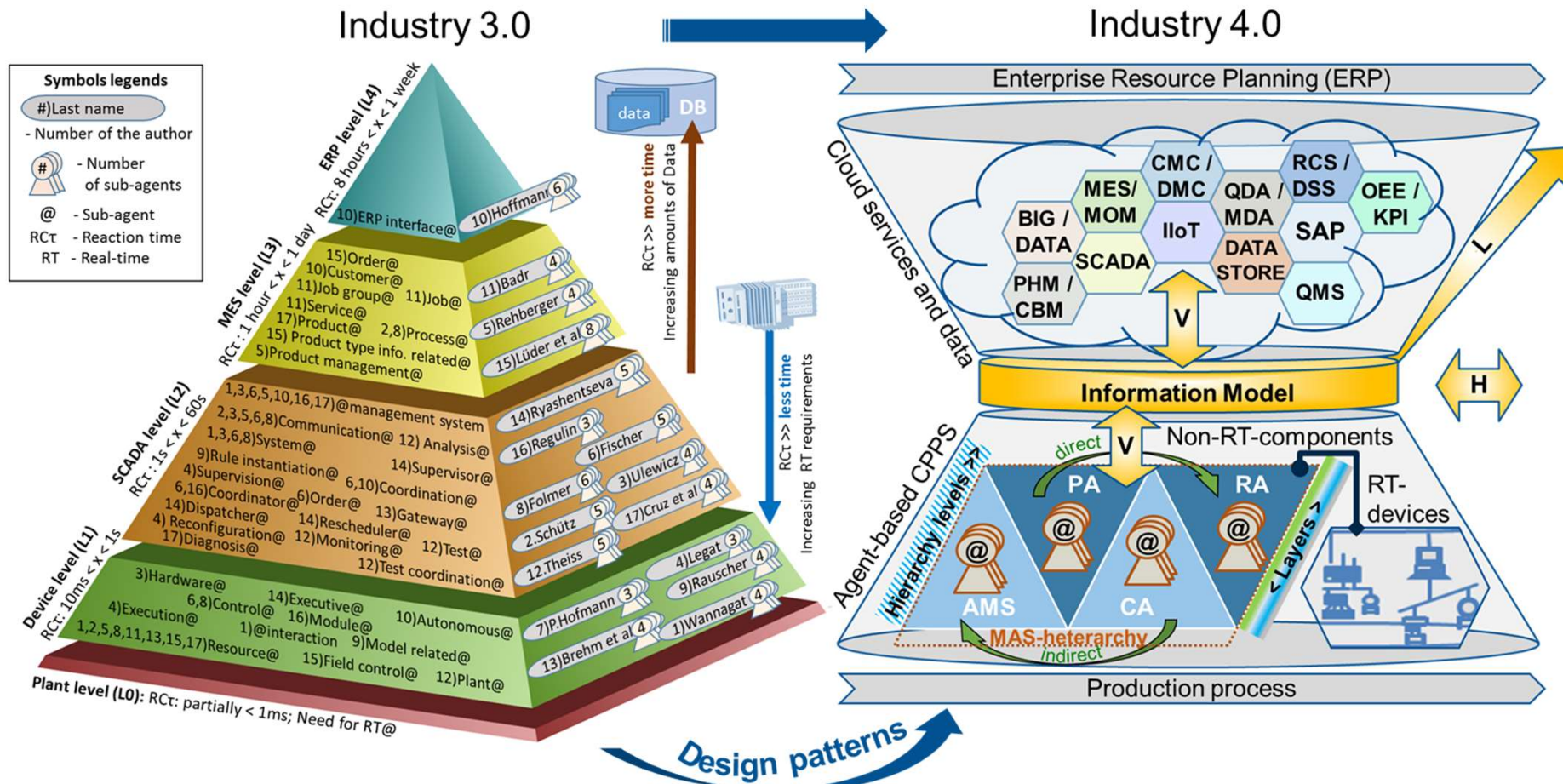
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Industry partners



# Using Design Patterns to migrate to Industry 4.0



Migration from Industry 3.0 to the Industry 4.0. The left side is the automation levels of action for all identified sub-agents. The right side is a proposed “diabolo” architecture, adapted from AIS-TUM. Abbreviations in alphabetic order, are @: Sub-agent pattern; **AMS**: Agent Management System; **CA**: Coordination Agent; **CBM**: Condition Based Monitoring; **CMC**: Collaborative Manufacturing Community; **CPPS**: Cyber Physical Production System; **DMC**: Decentralized Manufacturing Community; **DSS**: Decision Support System; **H**: Horizontal integration; **IloT**: Industrial Internet of Things; **KPI**: Key Performance Indicator; **L**: Life-cycle integration; **MAS**: Multi-Agent System; **MES**: Manufacturing Execution Systems; **MOM**: Manufacturing Operations Management; **OEE**: Overall Equipment Effectiveness; **PA**: Process Agent; **PHM**: Prognostics and Health Management; **QMS**: Quality Management System; **RA**: Resource Agent; **RCS**: Resilient Control System; **RT**: Real-time; **SAP**: Systems Applications Products; **SCADA**: Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition; and **V**: Vertical integration.

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