



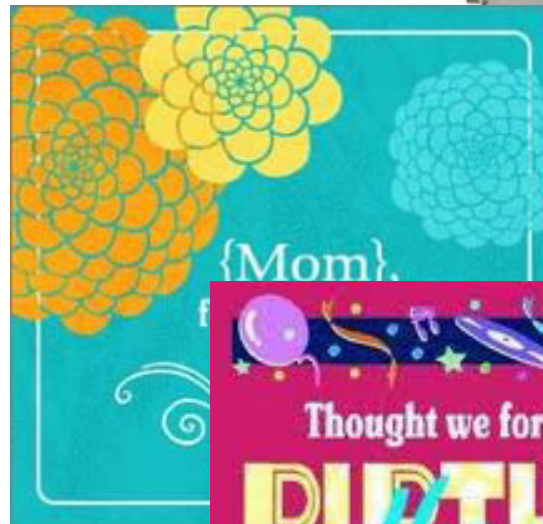
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Product Management

# Integrated Systems Engineering Managing Complexity

## Apollo Moon rockets vs. Greeting Cards Accelerating complexity...

### Apollo Guidance Computer (1966)

- 1<sup>st</sup> IC-based computer
- 2k core, 36k 'rope' memory
- 11.72 micro-second cycle
- 55 Watts
- 70 lbs
- 24" x 12.5" x 6.5"
- \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$



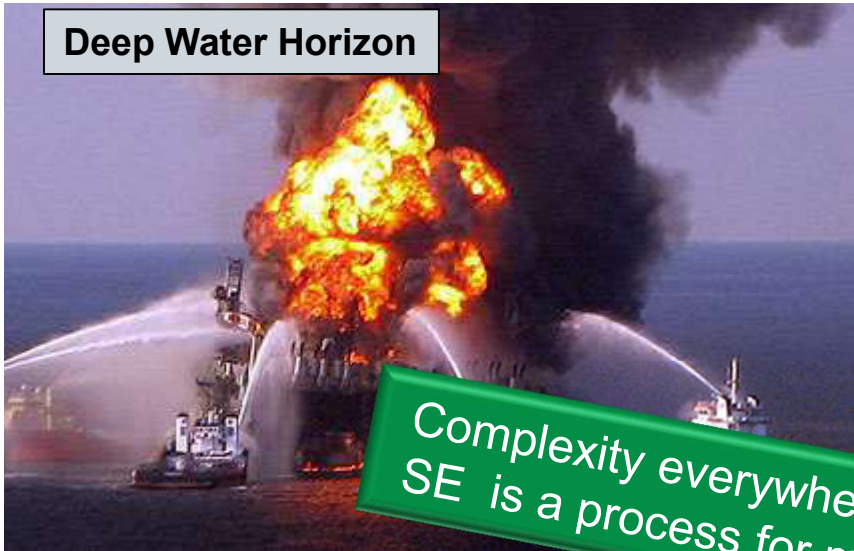
### Hallmark Card (today)

- 256mb+ memory
- ~2 ghz
- 1900 mAh (2 yrs)
- .085 oz
- 1" x 1" x .25"
- . \$ <\$1



# Increasing complexity everywhere...

Deep Water Horizon



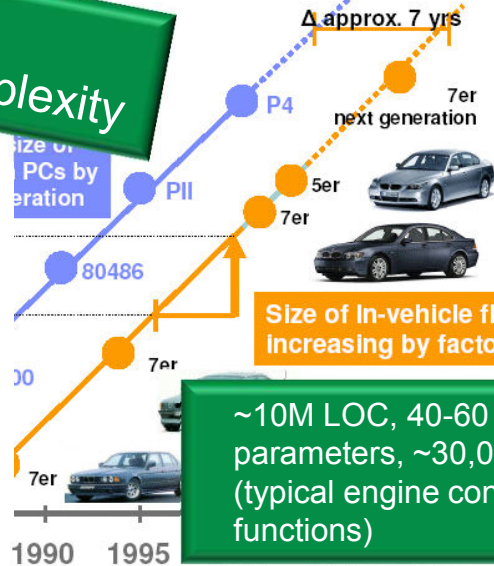
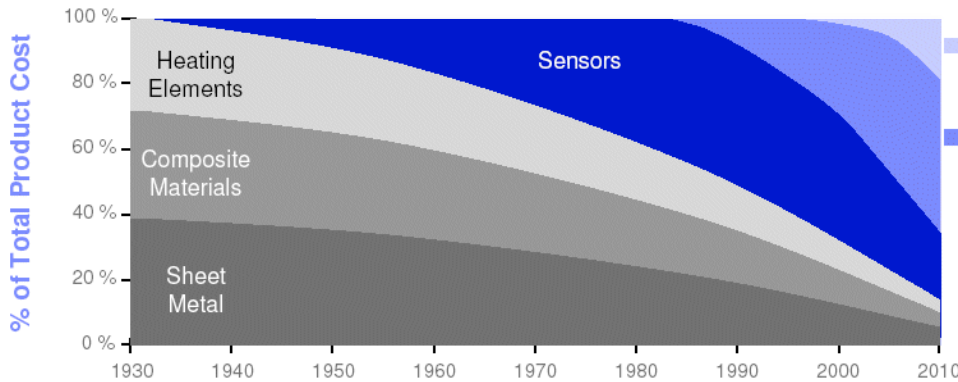
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...ear-old Toshiba  
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...21.5 mhz) picked  
...tellite, leading a



~5000 sensors, ECU's, etc. communicating over 9000 connections via 1,000,000+ types of messages performing 2000+

**Complexity everywhere...  
SE is a process for managing complexity**

Illustrative case example: Washers & Dryers



~10M LOC, 40-60 ECU's, ~5000 parameters, ~30,000 functions (typical engine controller ~4000 functions)



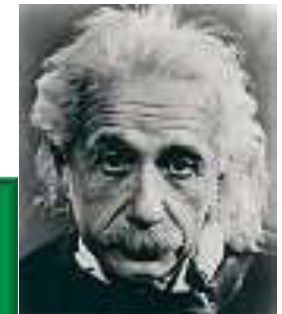
## Unmanaged complexity produces problems...

- Failing to manage cross-domain interactions/interfaces show up as problems later→
- Ignoring the risk is not affordable...
- 53 million vehicle recalls in the US last year (more recalls than vehicles sold)
- Each recall costs ~\$100/vehicle/recall (\$5.3 billion/year) in direct costs

A sample list from the NHTSA recalls database...

- ...recalls 1.3 million vehicles where engine controller may develop solder joint cracks due to vibration
- ...recalls 1021 vehicles with automatic rear lid with leaking gas struts could cause injury...software update
- ...recalls 3.6 million vehicles...speed control switch leaks and overheats
- ...recalls 10,113 vans...brake lights don't come on after first time; brake control software update.
- ...recalls 437 vehicles...seat sensor calibration error doesn't turn on air bags

The significant problems we face cannot be solved at the same level of thinking we were at when we created them.



Albert  
Einstein

## Challenges in the “New Normal”

Success is getting harder

**50%** product launches fail to live up to company expectations

**33%** of new products fail to provide a satisfactory return

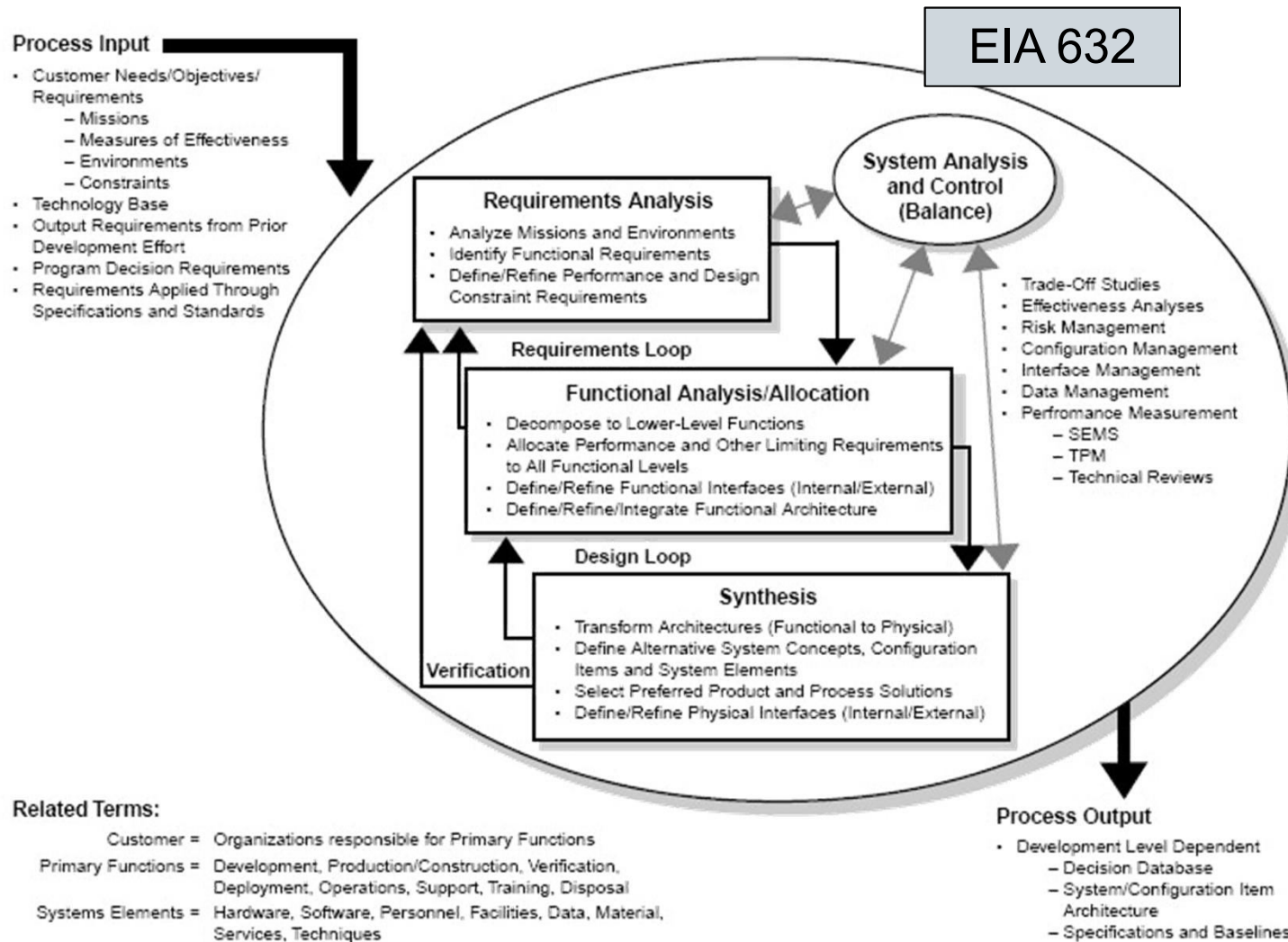
**70%** of the resources spent on new launches are allocated to products that are not successful in the market

**80%** of projects cost **20%** more person-hours to launch than initially forecast

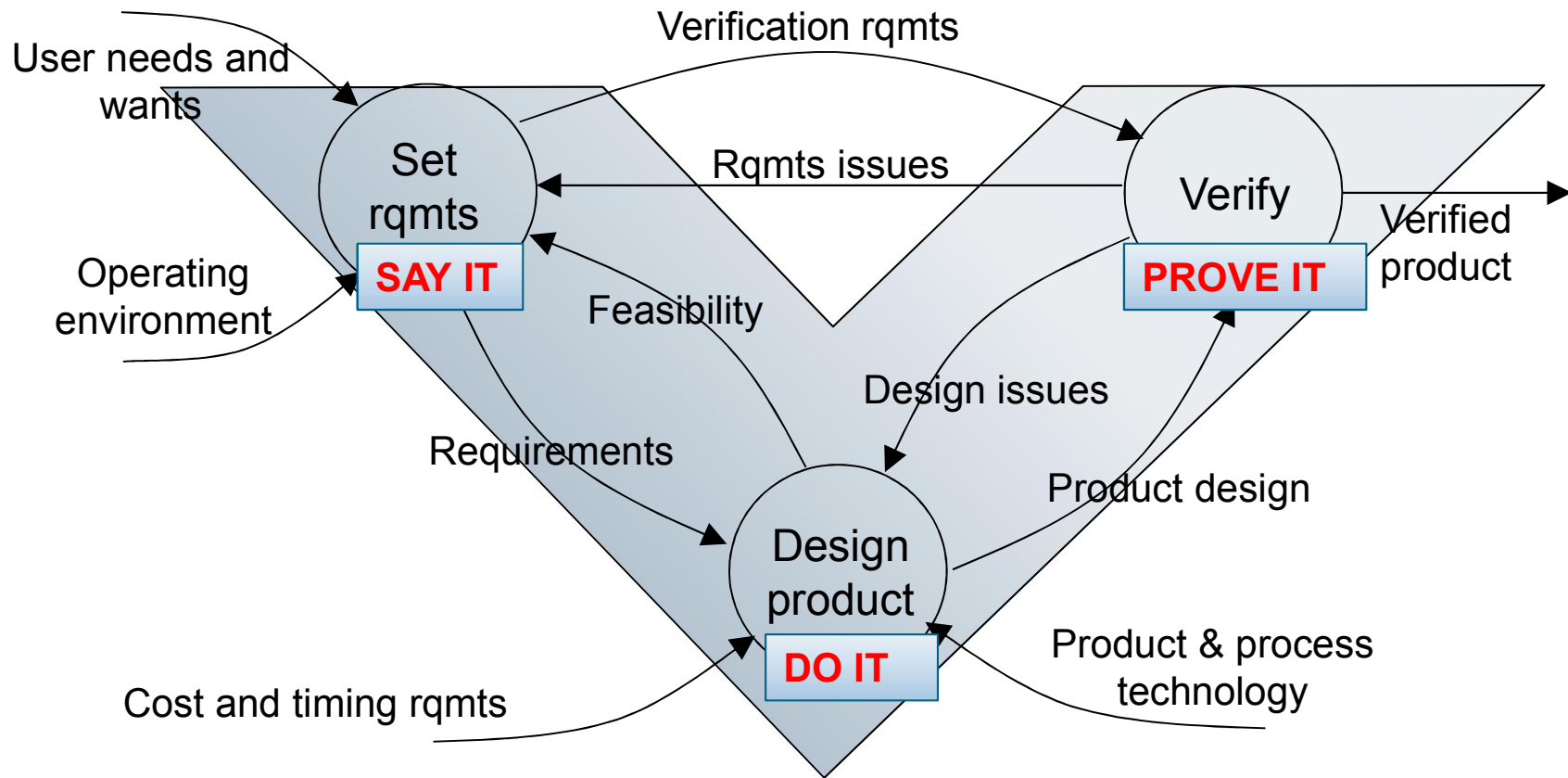
Source: Booz & Co.

# The systems engineering process to handle complexity

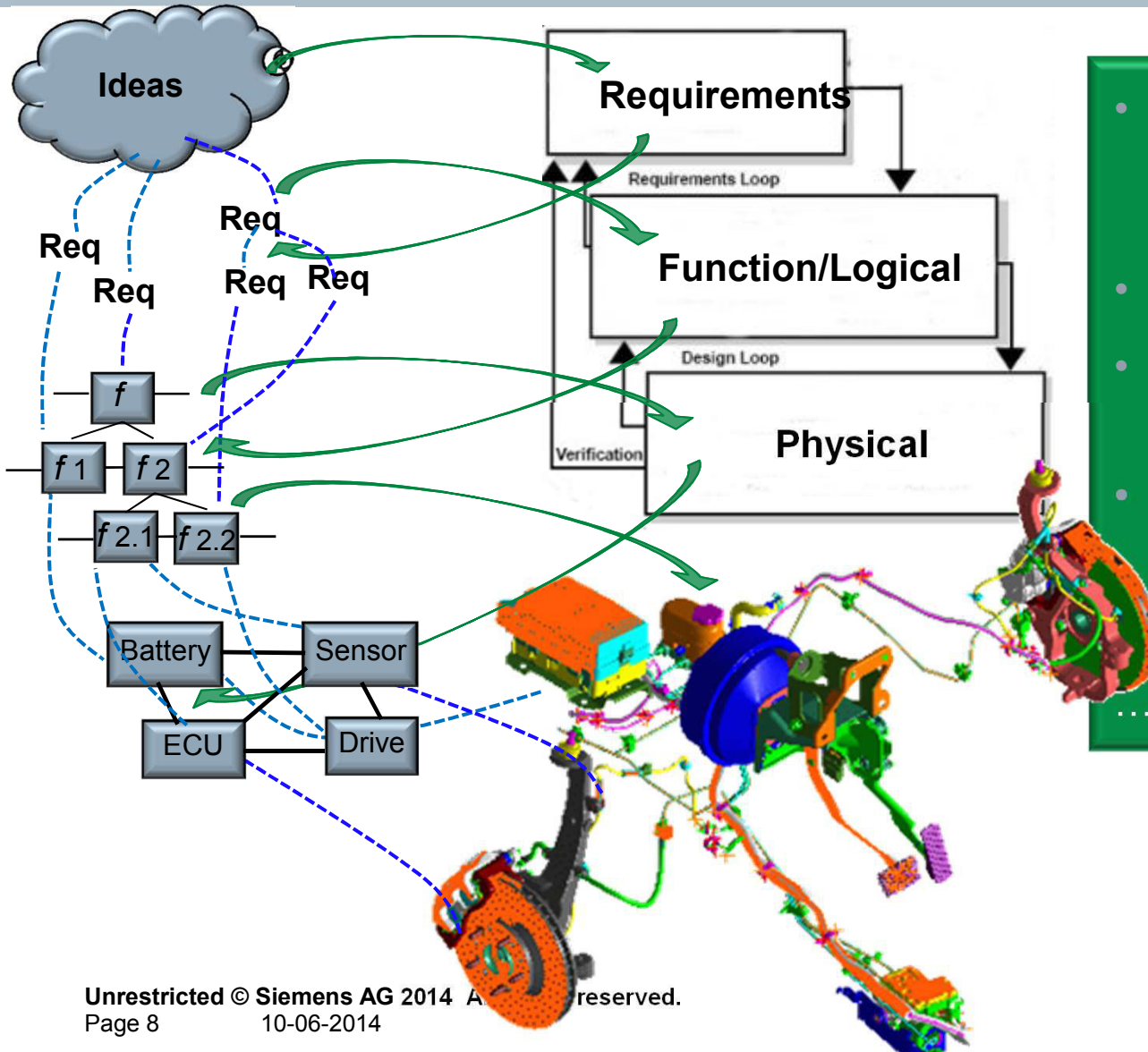
## EIA-632, IEEE 1220, ISO 15288,...



# Systems Engineering/Requirements process...



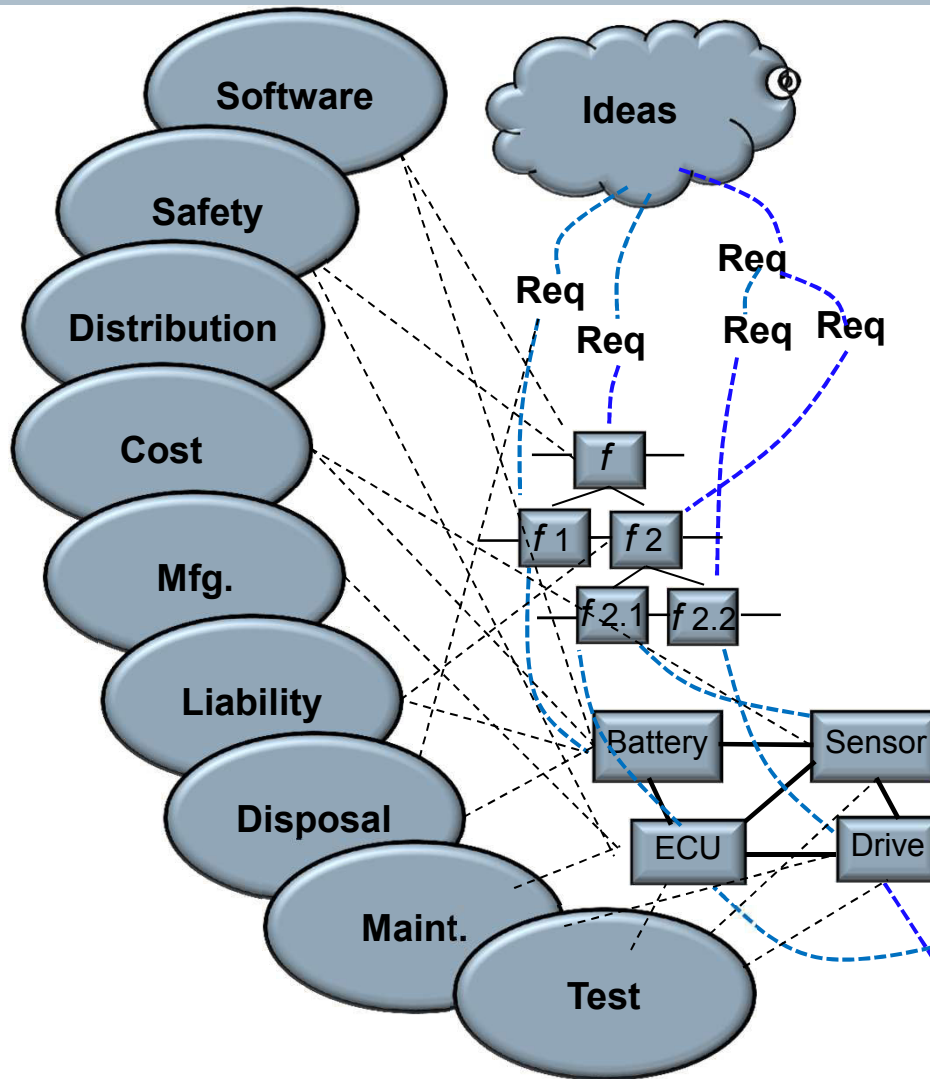
# The Systems Engineering Process...



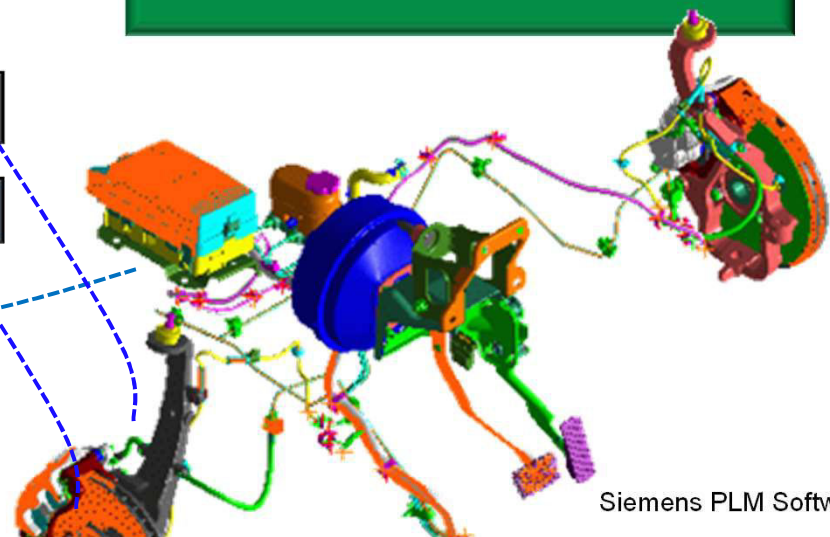
- FRAT (Commercial) vs RFAT (Mil/Aero, Energy,...)
  - Captured requirements...
  - Linking requirements to functions...
  - Functions linked to physical alternatives...
- ...keep going until realizable



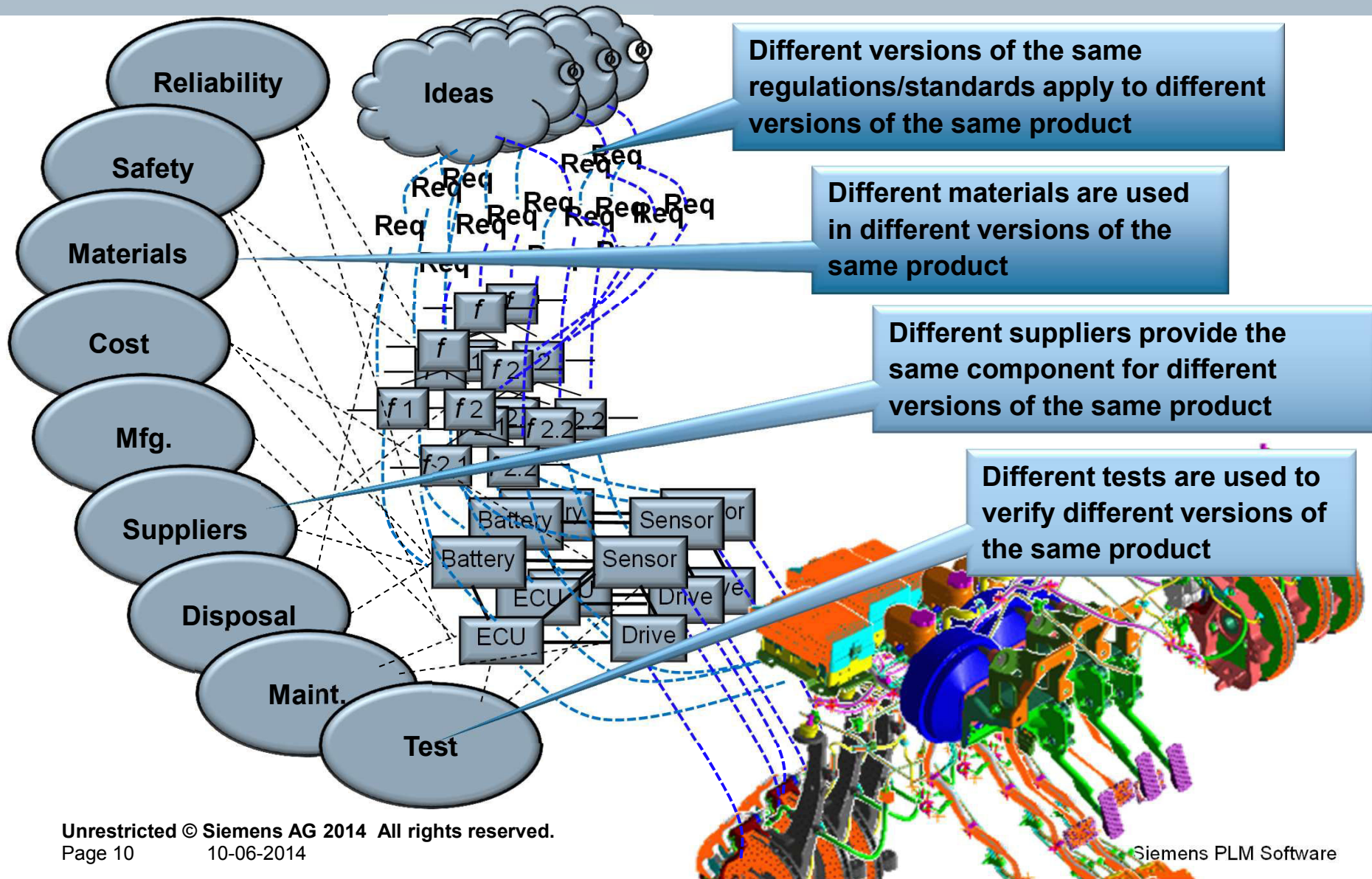
# More than RFLP to worry about...



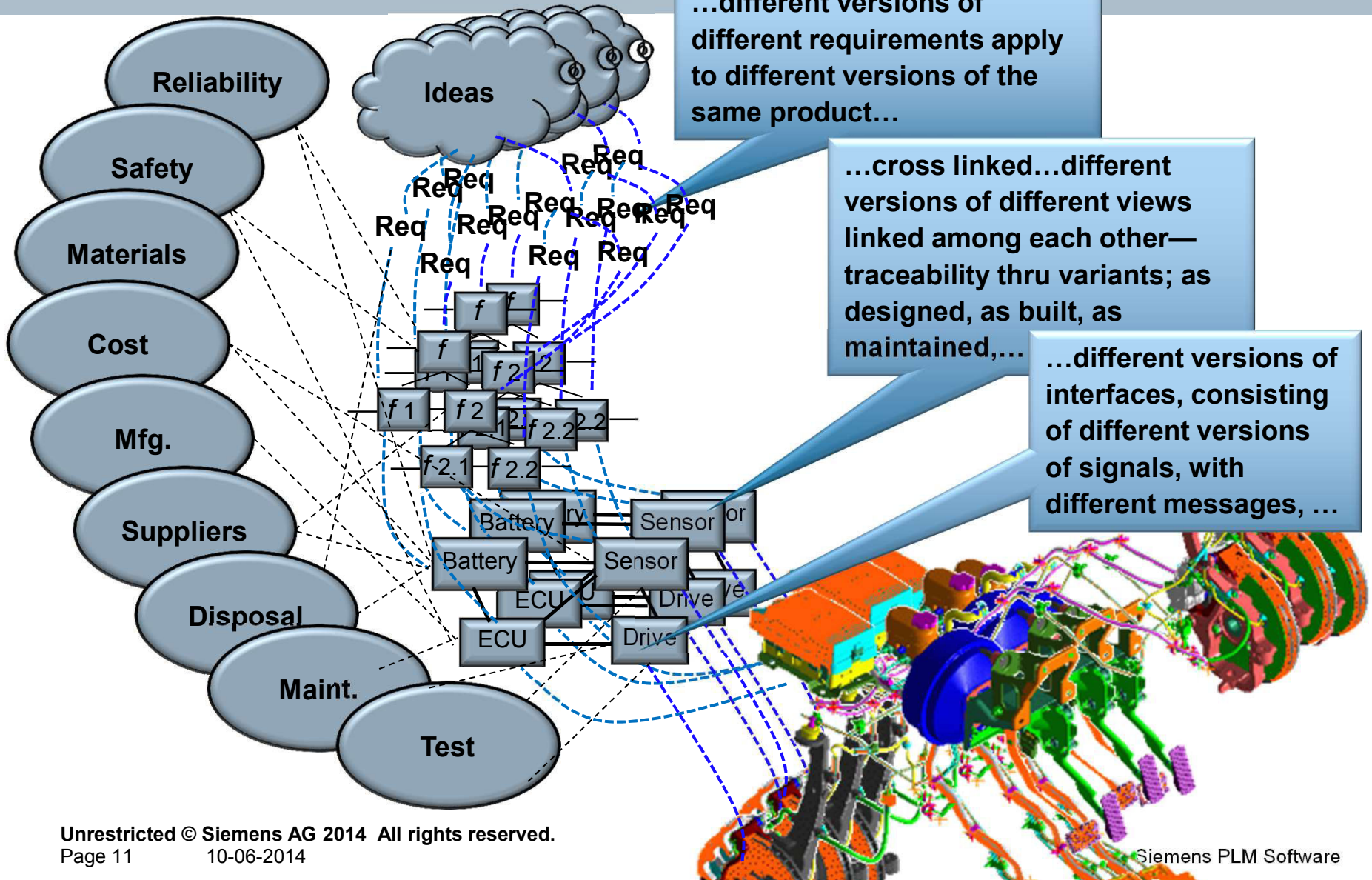
- More to a product's life than RFLP...
- No decision is an island
- Need to worry about other views (safety, mfg, cost, test, disposal, maintenance,...)
- Balance product performance against other views to achieve "global optimization"



# ...managing change and variation

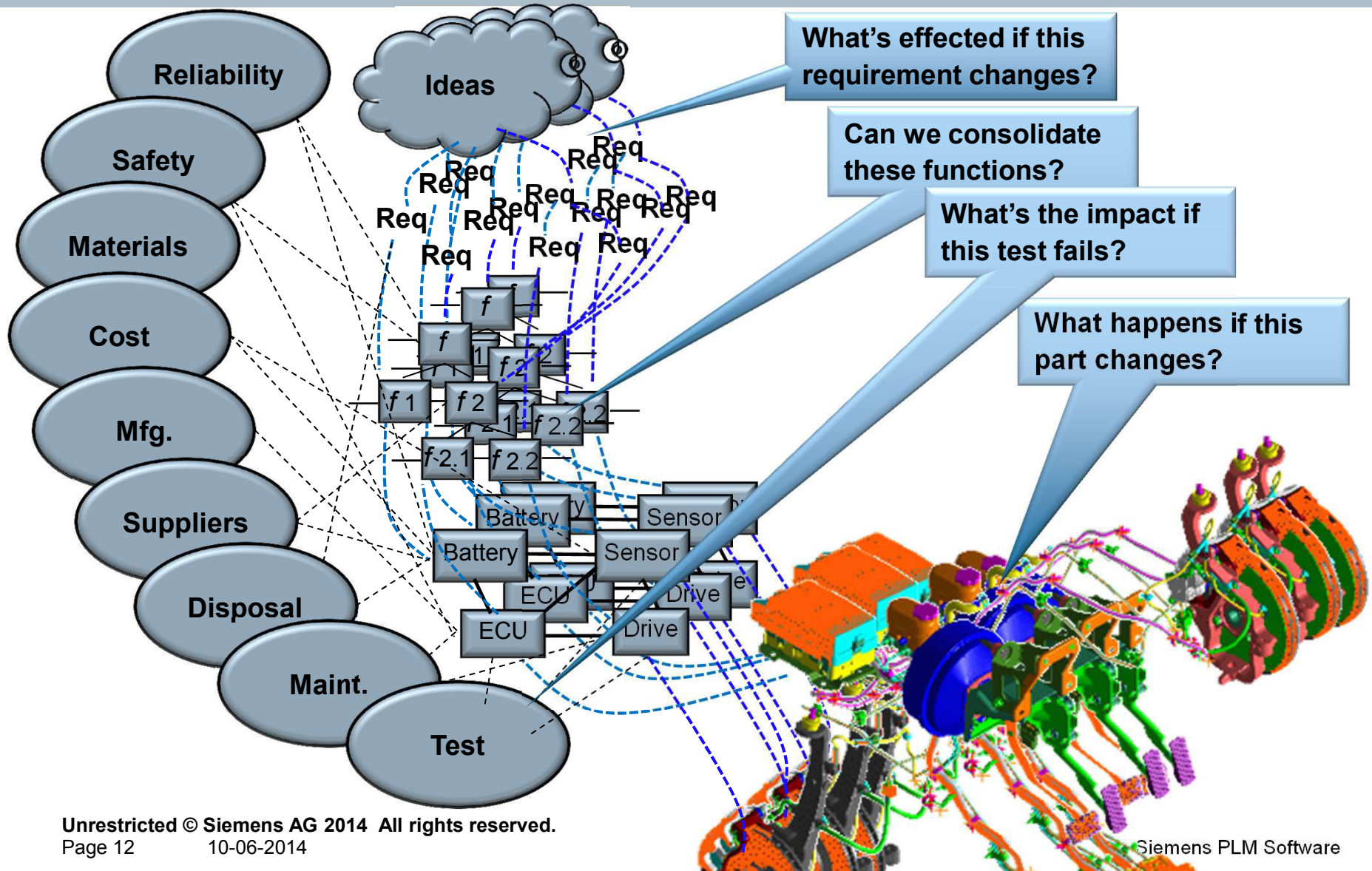


...changing over time<sup>10</sup>





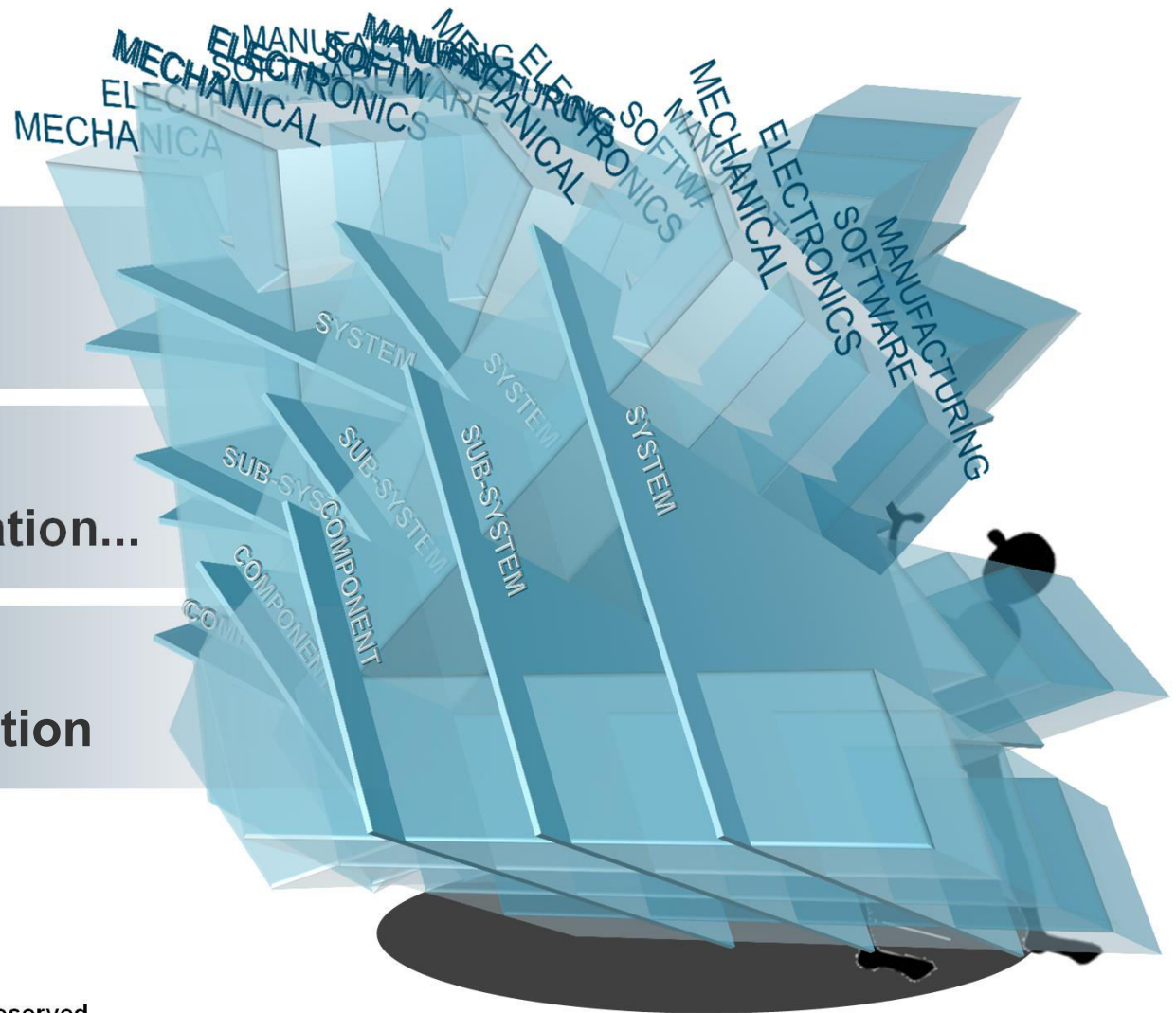
# SE/RM needs to be integrated with PLM... Up the 'what if' rate



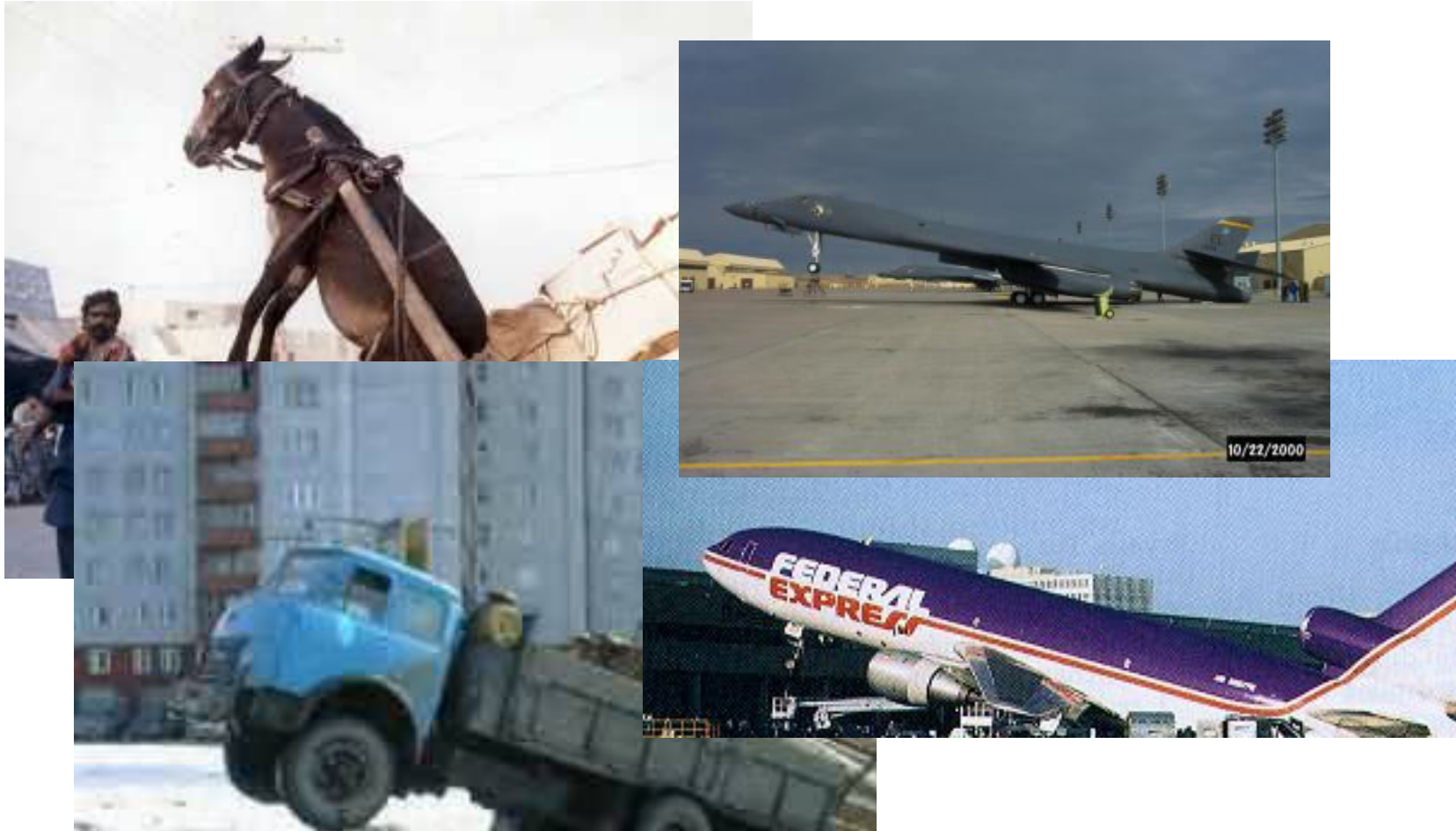


# Losing your balance in the 'V'...

- Multiple Simultaneous V's
- Requiring multi-disciplinary coordination...
- Open-loop performance verification



# Complex product development success requires a balanced approach...



# RFLP5 – Beyond Just Requirements System Driven Product Development (SDPD)

What is needed

What has to be done

How it is done

How it is implemented

**R**equirements

NHTSA National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
 Summary Description  
 The upcoming introduction of the Buick Lacrosse is based on the Global Equinox II platform for the North America market. This document outlines the requirements for this product.  
 General  
 The action verbs (in upper case letters) within the requirement statements are defined as follows:  
 SHALL: The standardized product is obligated to meet this requirement. Departure requires Project Director Approval.  
 SHOULD: The standardized product SHALL meet this requirement unless the technical / commercial reasons for doing so invalidate the business case. Departure requires Chief of Project approval.  
 MUST: Indicates a legislative or regulatory requirement with which the company SHALL comply.

**F**unctional

Functional block diagram showing components like Control, Display, and Audio.

**L**ogical

Circuit board schematic diagram.

**P**hysical Design

3D CAD model of a car's interior dashboard area.

**P**art

Product Architecture Browser software interface.

**P**rocess

Manufacturing process flowchart diagram.

**P**lant

3D rendering of a factory assembly line with robotic arms.

**P**hysical

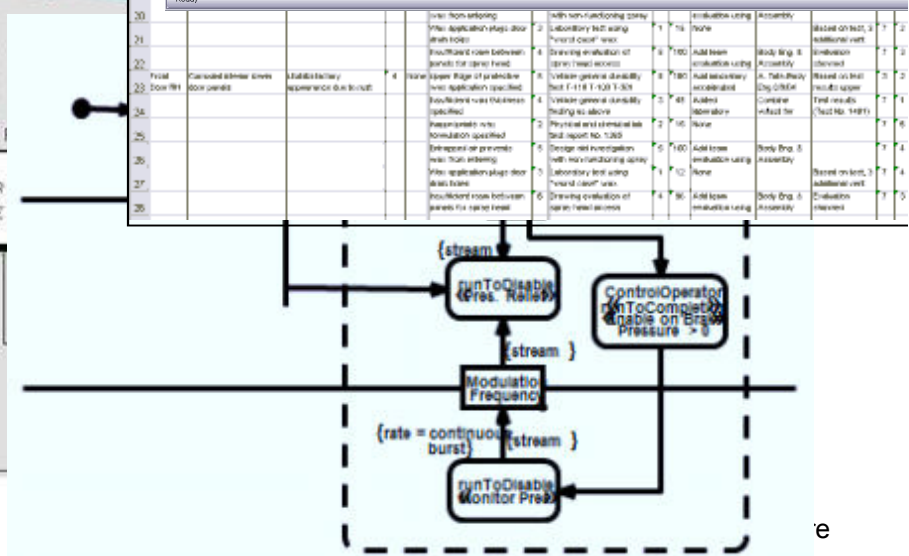
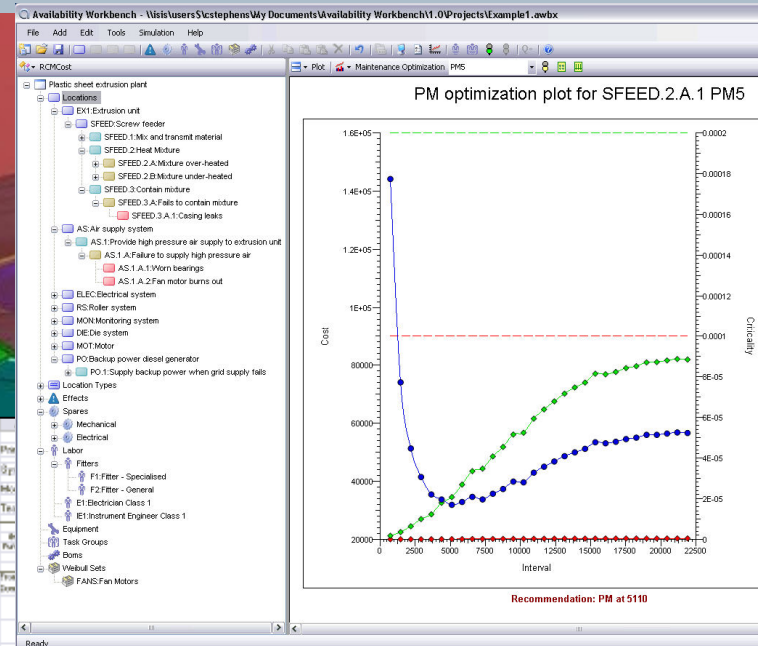
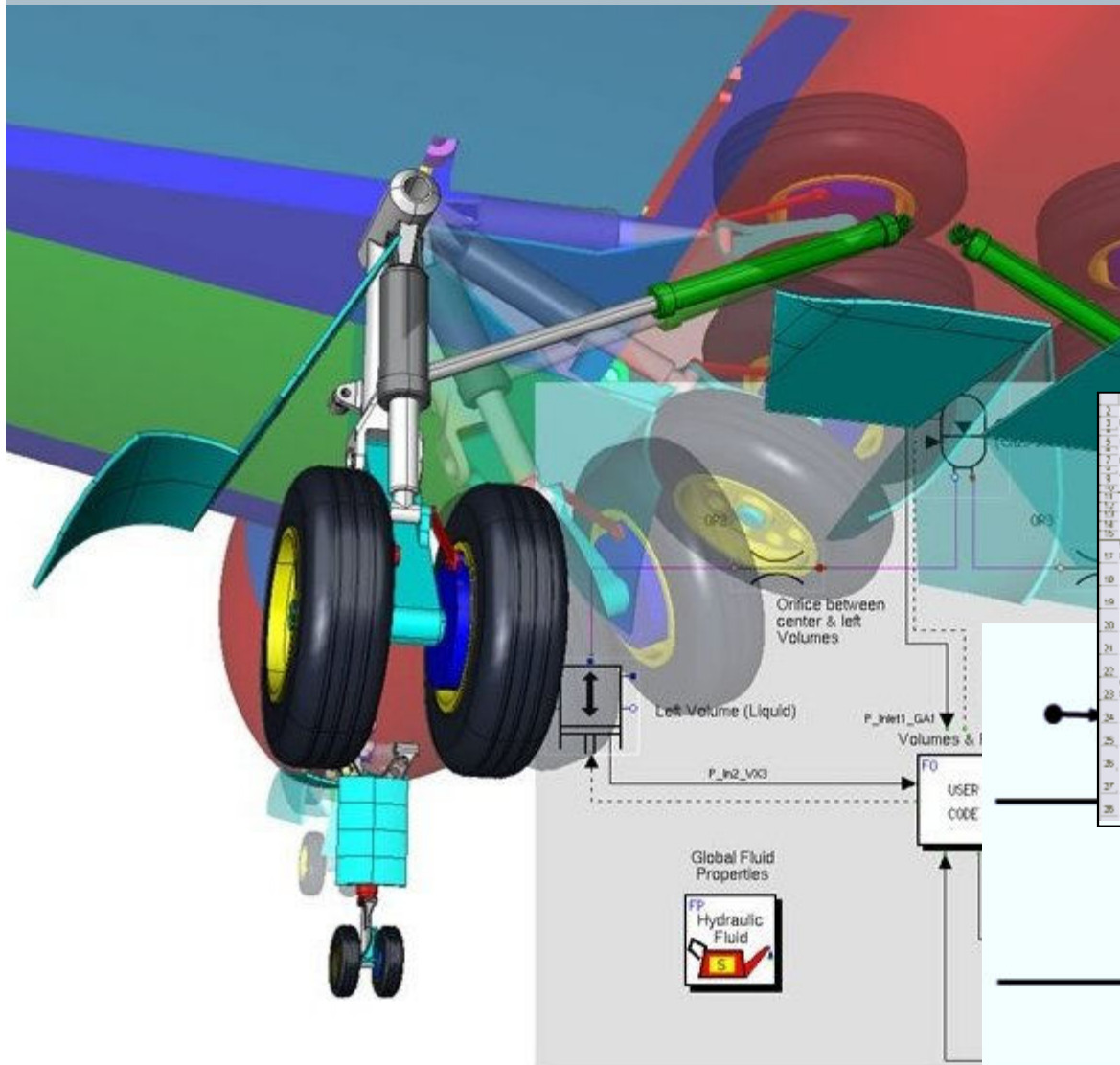
Photograph of a silver sedan car.



Globalization, Configuration, Regulatory, and Cost brings more complexity



# To achieve SDPD... Vision: Cross-domain optimization

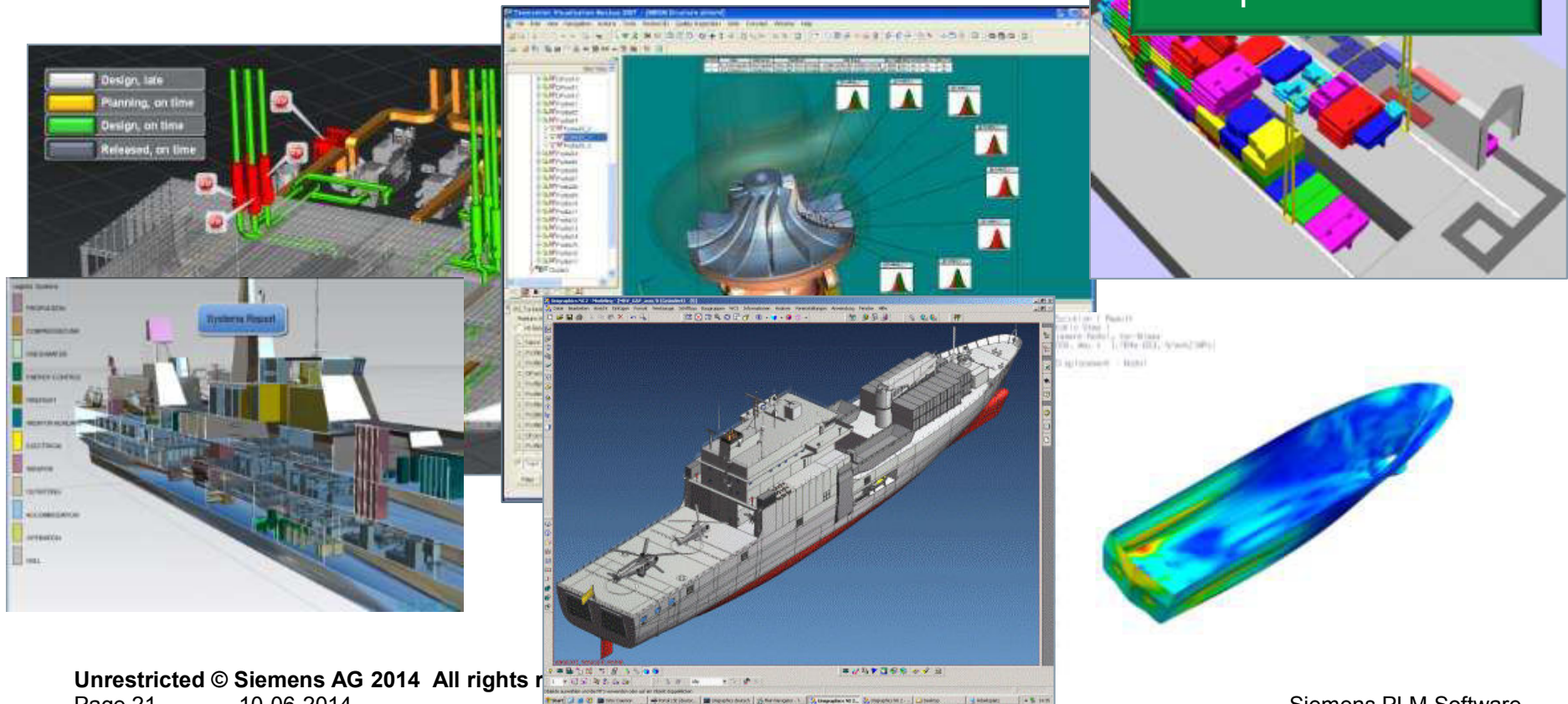




# Where we are... Model Configuration/Variant Management

- Models associated with product elements (BOM's)
- Models configured with product structures
- Scalable to massive systems/systems of systems

Millions of parts  
1000's of versions  
100's of Workflows  
100's – 10,000's of People

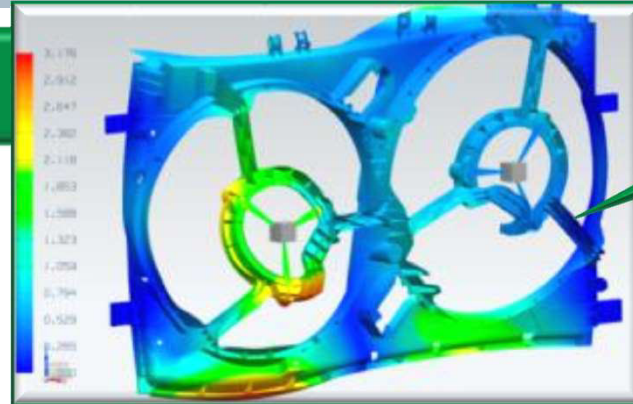
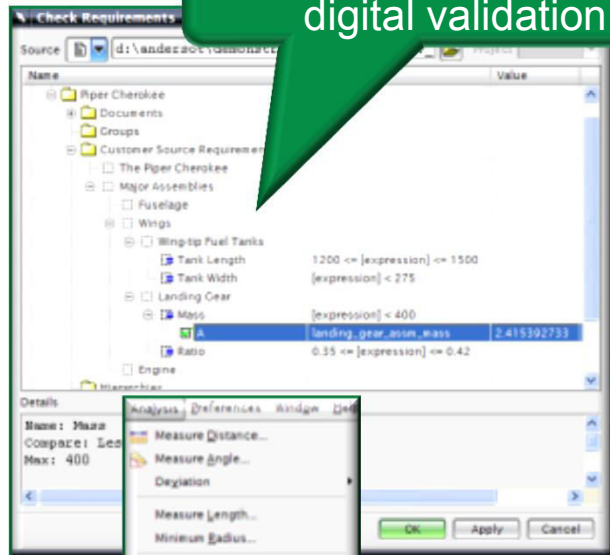


Where are we...

Requirements moving between physical, mfg, project, ... models

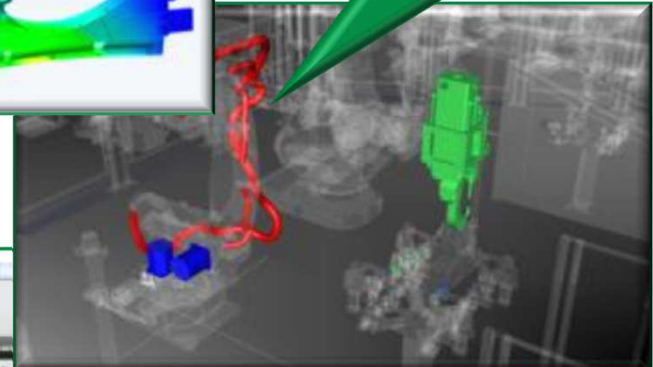
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- Requirements driven digital validation

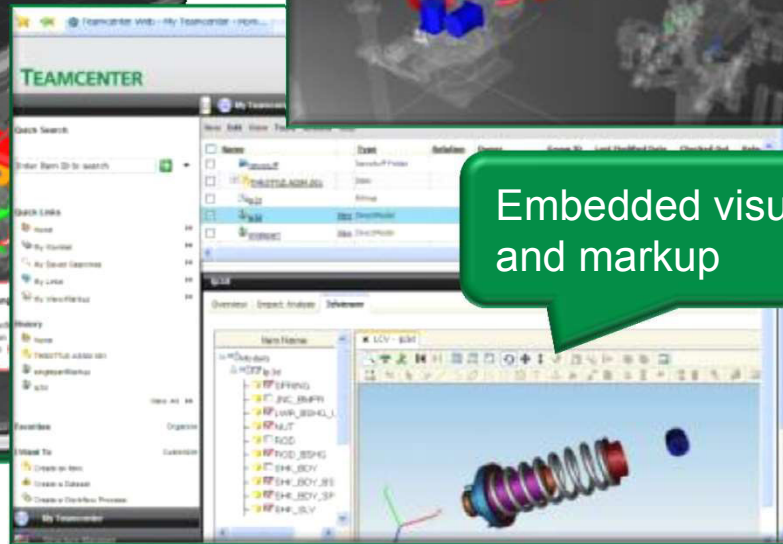
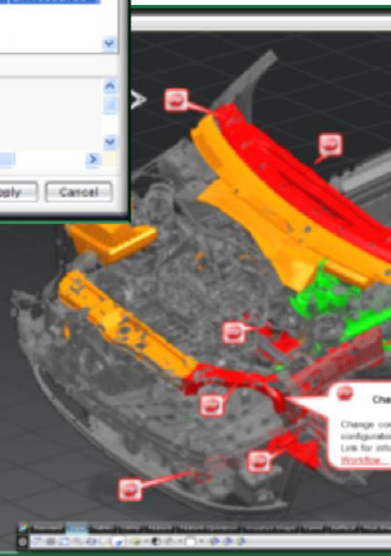
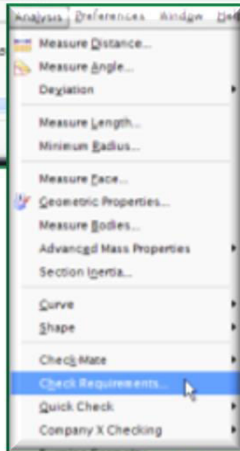


Simulation Verification

Visual Reports



Embedded visualization and markup





# Systems Engineering

## Value of SDPD/Integrate Product Architecture capture/delivery

“All the really bad mistakes  
are made the very first day of  
the program”

-Simon Ramo

Benefit of integrated systems engineering:

- Robust/Sustainable product architectures
- Trace across domains, lifecycles,...
- Synchronize cross-disciplinary, global teams
- Maximize design re-use
- Drive real-time system-level validation

Drive systems engineering/product  
architecture thru-out the lifecycle  
starting before product design work  
begins

Utilizing standard systems engineering  
UI's to capture/manipulate  
integrated systems models (SysML,  
math, behavior, reliability, safety,  
cost, disposal, etc.)

Managing/Delivering models across  
the lifecycle ...integrating  
SE/product architecture into the  
lifecycle



Product Slum  
Insurance



Ad hoc product architecture vs.  
systems engineered product  
architecture...

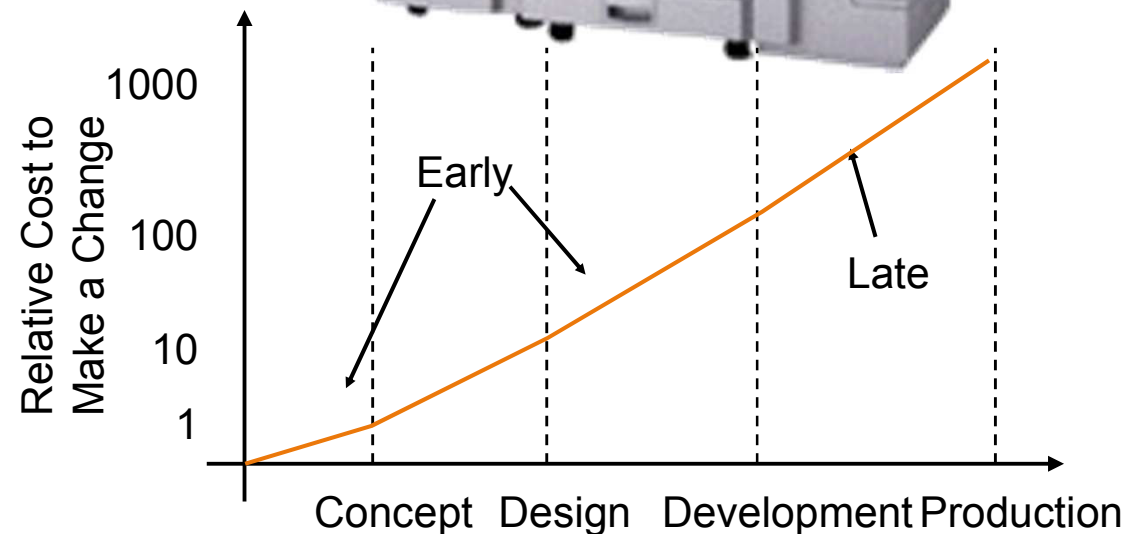
Where would you rather live?

## Cost avoidance... Earlier the better

...did not find a problem with one of their copy machines until the copiers were in the field.

They quantified the cost:

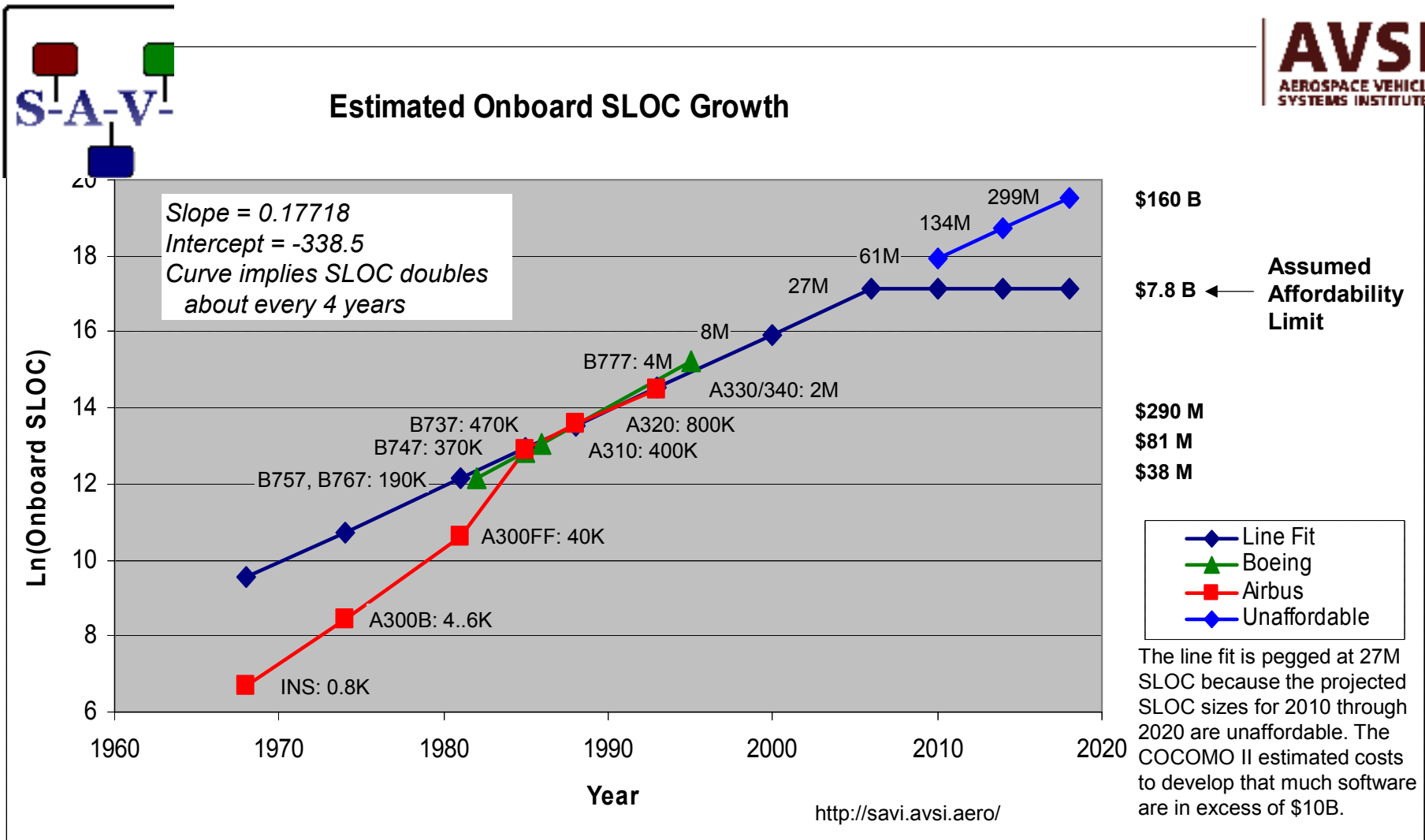
- \$ 590,000 for field upgrades
- \$ 368 if caught before production
- \$ 177 before parts procurement
- \$ 35 corrected during design



**“Design in” compliance early when costs are low**

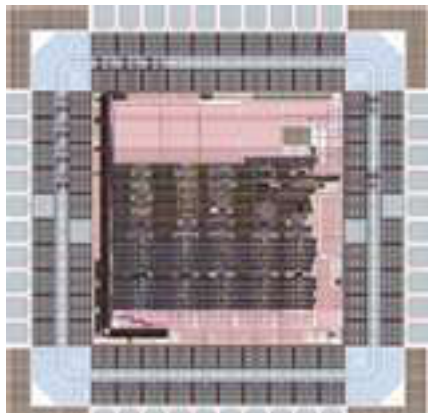


# Complexity is accelerating...



## Is it worth the trip? The justifications don't really matter...

- Complex systems are everywhere...
- Murphy laws: Bad things will happen if left unmanaged. Failures are expensive
- They require systems/cross-domain thinking to be successful
- Document-based processes are not scalable to the complexity, magnitude,..
- Integrated/Automated Systems thinking is required



“You’re not going to lay out a billion-gate integrated circuit by hand in your life-time”

Dr. Charles Rose at TI  
(Inventor of HDL's)



“...no two BMW 5 series sold last year were the same.”



~5000 sensors, ECU's, etc. communicating over 9000 connections via 1,000,000+ types of messages, performing 2000+ functions in triple-redundant, physically separated fashion with each tail number a different configuration

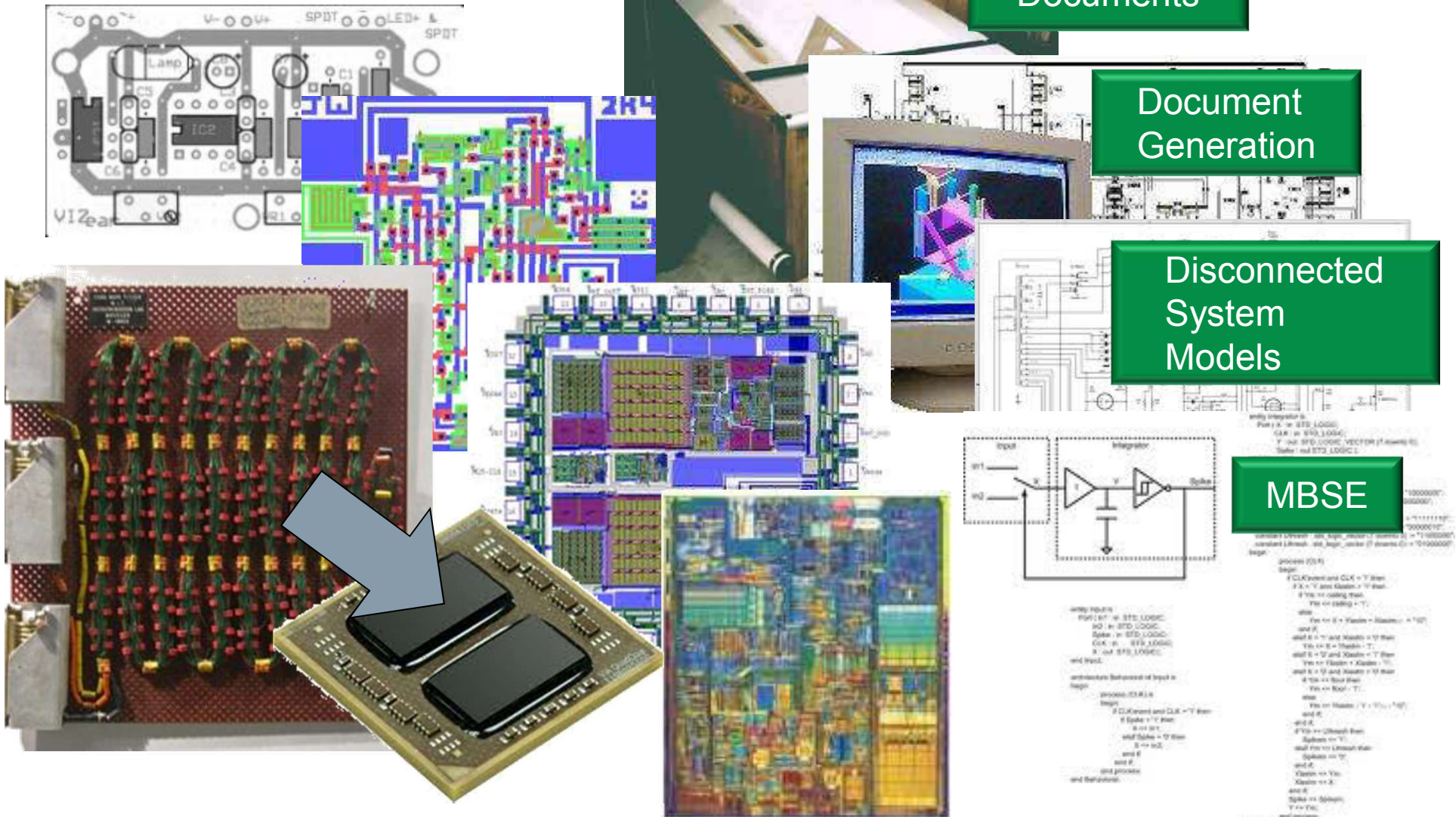
This requires change...  
High-tech experience

Documents

Document  
Generation

Disconnected  
System  
Models

MBSE



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**Teamcenter**

**Enterprise Requirements Management  
Enterprise Systems Engineering**

**Thank You**



# Applying systems engineering to deploying SE tools

SE only needed in Aerospace



## Dishonesty/Meta-Dishonesty

“Semmelweis Reflex”

“...to dismiss/reject out of hand any information, automatically, without thought, inspection, or experiment”

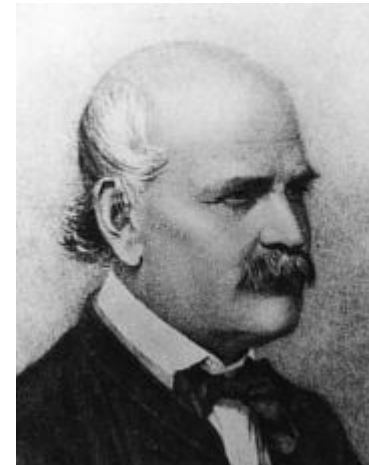
Fore-ordained answers

...will the answer provided by SE tools be accepted

Don't waste your time on the wrong answers, unless...

**Dr. Ignaz Semmelweis  
(1818-1865)**

**Early Germ  
Theory**



**Wash Your  
Damn Hands**

## Organization Pre-prep...

Is your organization prepared to accept the answer?

### Management & customer backing

- Do you have time to apply the tools
  - Do customers understand what you are doing
- ...otherwise tools are thrown overboard to get over the next schedule pass

### Properly supported support organizations

- Who's going to take care of the tools?
- Who's responsible to maintain, support, answer questions about the tools

### Timely Application of the tools

- SE tools are time sensitive
  - Money & resources start when...
- ... "Catch-22" programs don't get resources until after SE decisions are made

"We are going on a journey.  
We will carry the wounded,  
but we will shoot the stragglers."

--Hallmark Cards



## Organization SDB's...

- No time/money to use tools
- No backing for resources
- No training on tools
- Expecting tools to run themselves
- Thinking tools are static
- Not convincing the customer of the tool benefits
- No process for the tools to work within
- No mechanism for using tool results
- Applying the tool to everything
- Funneling everything through a gate keeper
- Expecting “paper” results from tools
- “where’s the hardware?”
- Rewarding fire-fighters vs. fire-preventers
- Blockading support organizations (...they cost too much, etc.)

...next year you will have a 90% probability of this failure...but you will do nothing about it!

Dr. Stephen Wheelwright

## Organizational SDB's cont...

How prepared is your organization?

Culture change vs. getting lucky...



**Buckminster Fuller's Magic Log**

| SE tool management acceptance checklist   | Y | N |
|---|---|---|
| Did the tool support group help with the proposal?  |   |   |
| Has the manger forecast time & money for tool usage?  |   |   |
| Did the project manager help get the tools for his project?   |   |   |
| Has the manager forecast time & money for tool training?  |   |   |
| Is the manager willing to let the tools be upgraded mid project or are we stuck at this tool version?         |   |   |
| Is the manager willing to let his tool power users share lessons learned, be involved with user groups, etc.? |   |   |
| Is the manager active in convincing his customer or the benefits of the tools?                                |   |   |
| Are the tools used during customer reviews?   |   |   |
| Is there a development process being followed on the project?   |   |   |
| Is there a mechanism for doing something with the results of the tools?                                       |   |   |
| Is the manager involved with defining requirements?   |   |   |
| Does the manager see "one or two" engineers managing the product requirements?                                |   |   |
| Does the manager have a "lets get something built" before requirements are defined mentality?                 |   |   |
| Does the manager think the value of the tool is in its paper generation capability?                           |   |   |
| Does he want/let the engineering automation support his project?  |   |   |

[Sampson, 2000, Von Wodtke, 1993 ]

Cows drink...

## Cultural Considerations

After choosing the tools, convincing management/accountants to buy them, how do you get them to “stick”?

- Goal of tools to accelerate SE
- Change is required
- How to get technology/change to stick?

Rogers Technology Diffusion Theory



## Diffusion of Innovations...

5 characteristics of innovations that affect acceptance:

1. Relative Advantage—perceived as better
2. Compatibility—consistent with values
3. Complexity—how difficult to understand & learn
4. Trialability—experimented with
5. Observability—results visible to others

## Diffusion of Innovations...

5 kinds of people in organizations...

1. Innovators (2.5%)—risk takers, information from many sources, adventure-some
2. Early-adopters (13.5%)—social leaders, popular, fast trackers
3. Early-majority (34%)—deliberate, informal social circles
4. Late-majority (34%)—skeptical, traditional,...
5. Laggards (16%)—fear of change, resistant, militant...



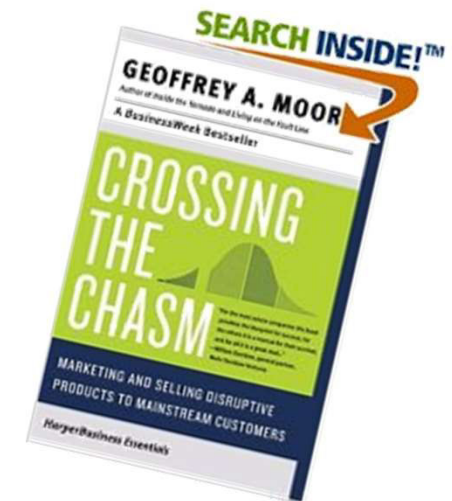
[Rogers, 1962; McKown 2003]

## Diffusion of Innovations...

...the way people perceive an innovation matters more than the merits of the tool itself.

Rogers' Theory Suggests:

1. Start with pioneers on your first project application—innovators, anxious to make it go, and move on to the next new thing
2. Pass it on to early adopters who find the relative advantages (even if it takes considerable effort)
3. Use these opinion leaders/champions to take it across the “chasm” to the early/late majorities





## Diffusion of Innovations...

SE Tool success requires:

- Make your pioneers/champions successful
- Give them opportunities to talk/communicate successes
- Give them a career path to support the innovation (Design Centers,...)

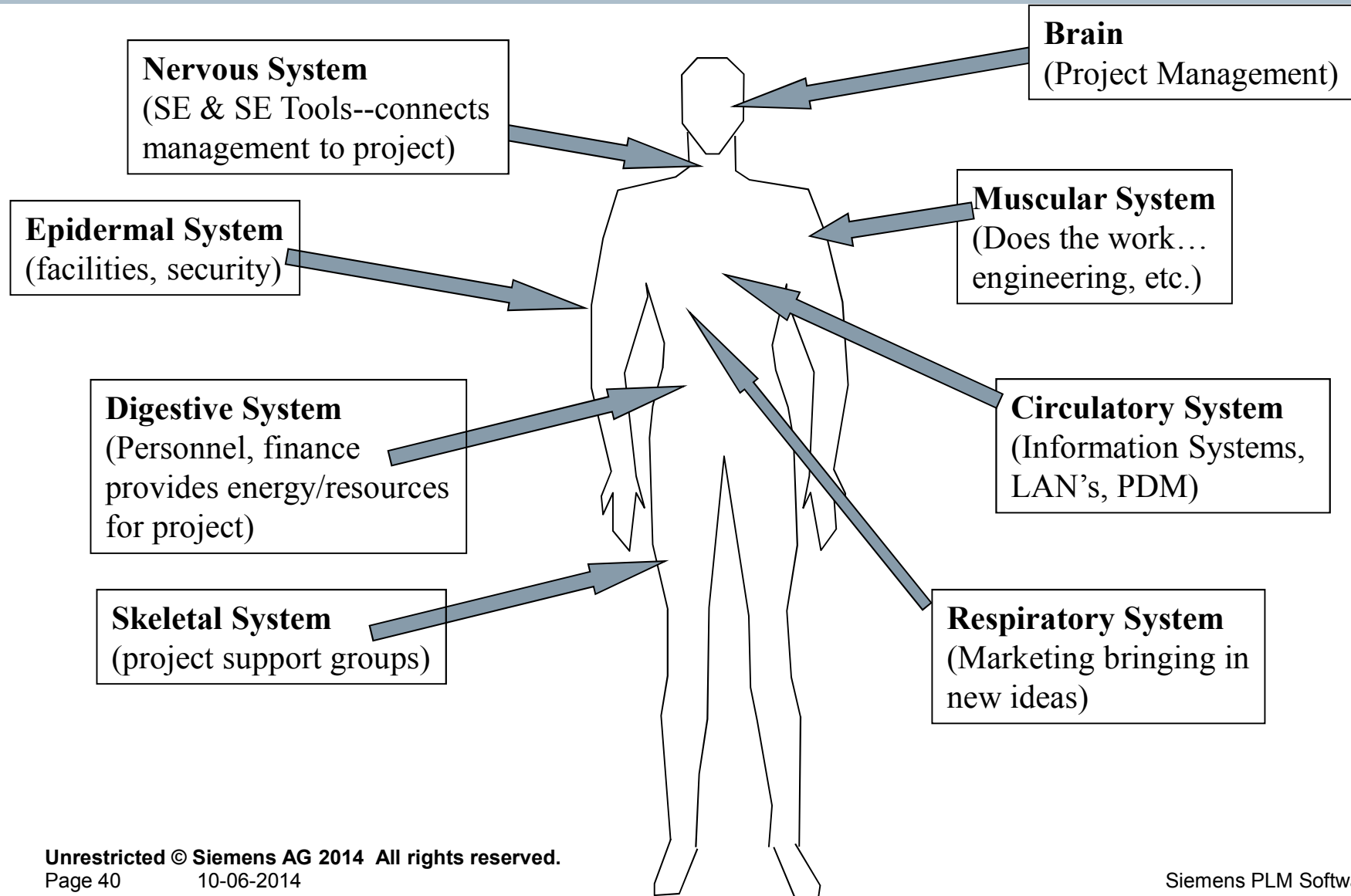
Ideas on communicating success:

- SE Newsletters, includes Tools
- Brown Bag Sessions on Tools
- Tool Roadshows
- Special Interest Groups
- User Groups
- SE Training Classes include tools
- Process training tied to tools

| Pioneer Aptitude Test  | Y | N |
|--|---|---|
| Pioneers keep up with trade journals, computer magazines, etc.   |   |   |
| Pioneers work on computers at home--i.e., they don't get enough at work  |   |   |
| Pioneers are always looking for new ways and tools to help them do their job (they may even go buy the tool themselves)  |   |   |
| Pioneers are known throughout their project as the first to adopt any new technology that comes along and come up with new and unique ways of applying the tools |   |   |
| Pioneers are the informal support person in the project (project folks go to them for help on the tools)   |   |   |
| Pioneers are almost always positive on what tools can do for the project   |   |   |
| Pioneers are willing to put in a lot of work to make the tools work  |   |   |

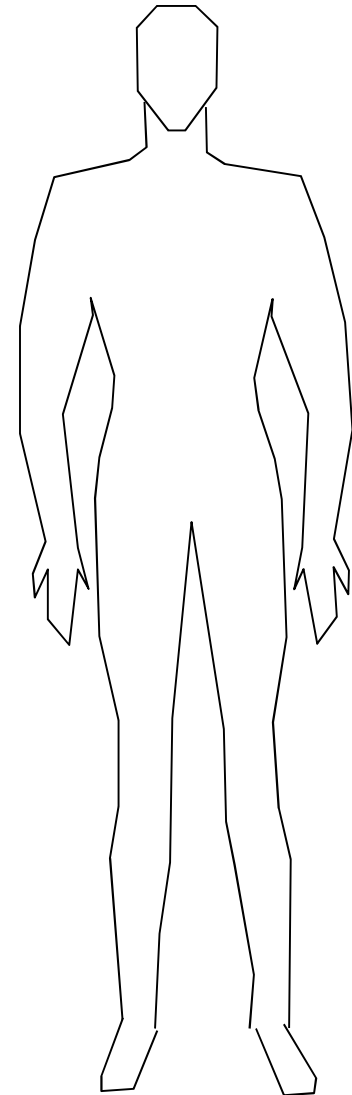
[Rogers, 1962]

# Anatomy of an project...



## Transplant process...

- Transplant overview/process
- Medical ethics and priority
- Organ function and symptoms
- Social aspects with families,...
- Finances...cost, acquisition, maintenance,...
- Dietitian...weight, nutrition, physical condition,...
- Pharmacology...anti-rejection, side effects, infections,...
- Case worker...prequalification, tests, clearances from...
- Legal...living wills, etc.
- Surgeon...risks, etc.



Siemens PLM Software



## Transplanting MBSE into an organization...

- Transplant/tool overview/process—agreed new process
- Medical/tool ethics and priority—agreement on when tools will/will not be used, buy in from organization,...
- Organ/tool function and symptoms—understanding of what functions the tool will perform and what symptoms it addresses
- Social aspects with organization—support organization to support the tools, PR campaign, internal user group,...
- Finances...cost, acquisition, maintenance,--financial budget to cover implementation/maintenance of tools
- Tool Dietitian...weight, nutrition, physical condition—training plan, deployment plans, maintenance, etc.
- Pharmacology...anti-rejection, side effects, infections,--tool usage incentives, metrics, opportunities, etc.
- Case worker...prequalification, tests—on site support, who can use it, etc.
- Surgeon...risks—Project, IT, and Design Center Mgmt

