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The Challenge of Model-Based Integration for Cyber-Physical Systems

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Prelude

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Internet of Things



Large-Scale Systems

Smart Home

Definition of Multi-Paradigm Modeling:

- Ok, then let's talk
- about what is really
- interesting for MPM
- in our CPSLab ...

but then I realized ...

Smart Factory
E.g. Industry 4.0

Smart Logistic



System of Systems

<http://oceanservice.noaa.gov/news/weeklynews/nov13/foos-awards.html>

E-health

Ambient Assisted Living

Micro Grids

Outline

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1. Foundations

2. Cyber-Physical Systems

3. HPI CPSLab & Integration

4. Future Needs for Integration

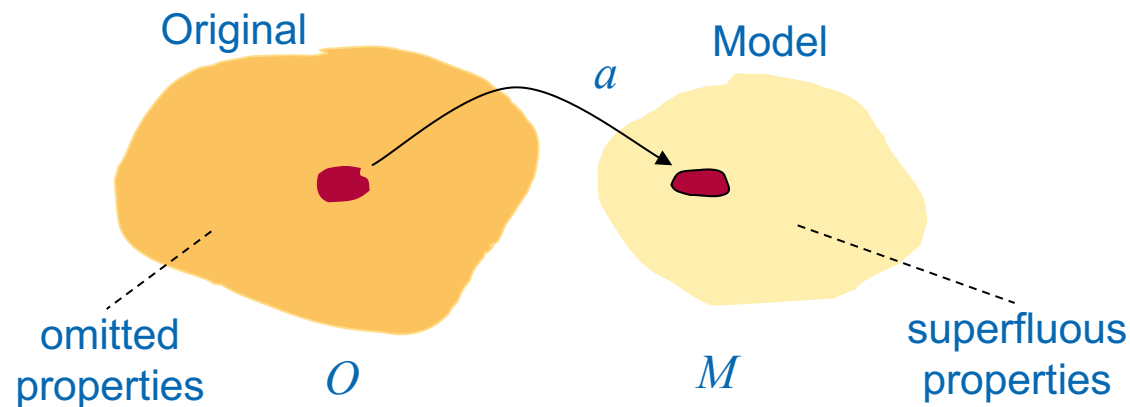
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1. Foundations

(1) What are Models?

Models are in general abstract representations of existing or envisioned originals

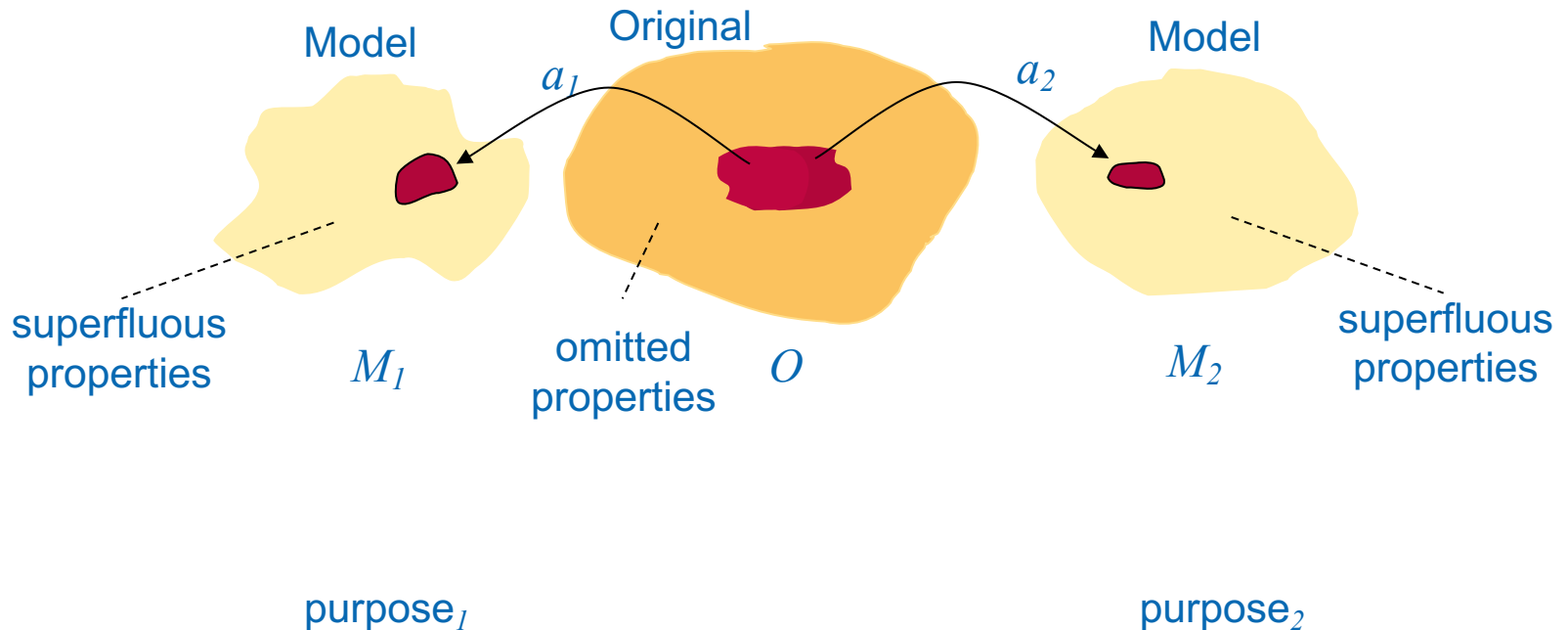
- **Representation** of an original: it exists always a point of reference
 - A function a which assign a model M to the original O (**abstraction**).
 - A not unique backward mapping i assigns originals O to each model M (**interpretation**).
- **Reduction**: not all **properties** are represented
- **Pragmatics**: replaces the original only for a specific **purpose**



But Nowadays we often have Multiple Models?

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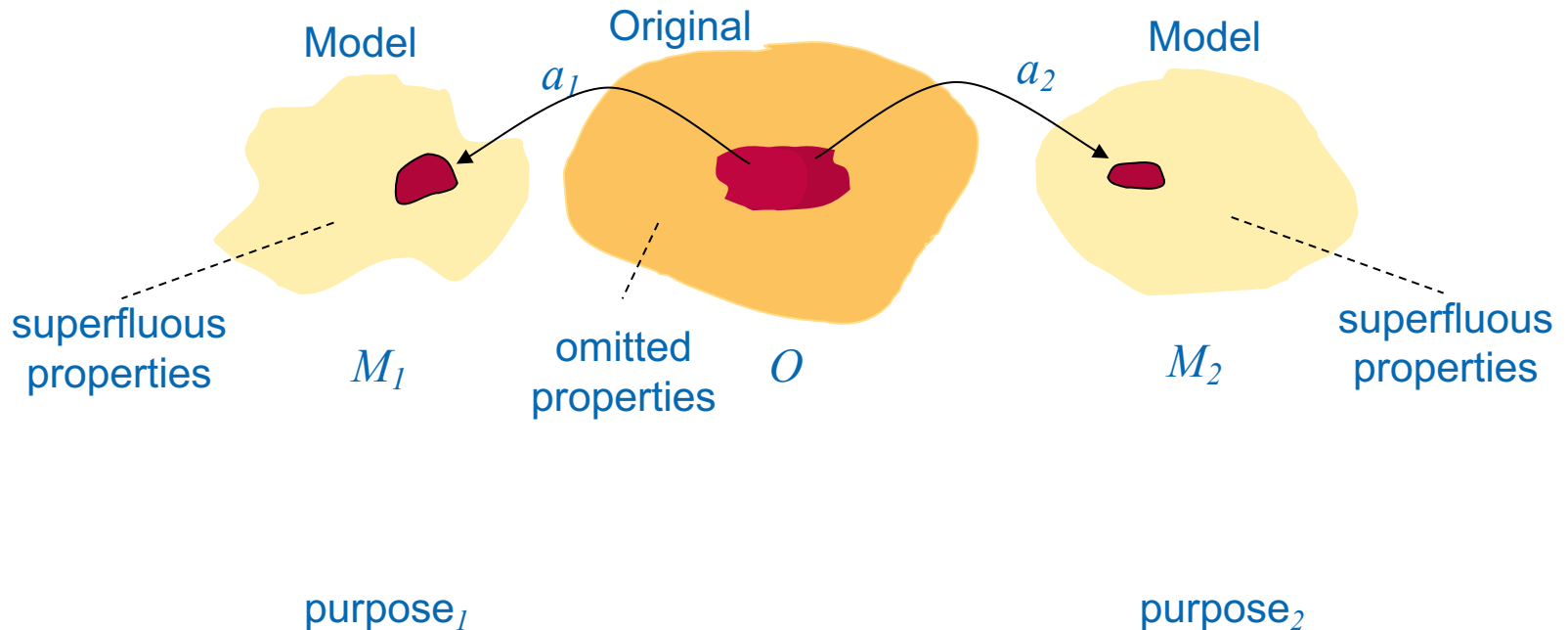
Each **model** M_j is an abstract representation of a part or multiple parts of an existing or envisioned original used for a specific purpose.



Benefits of Multiple Models?

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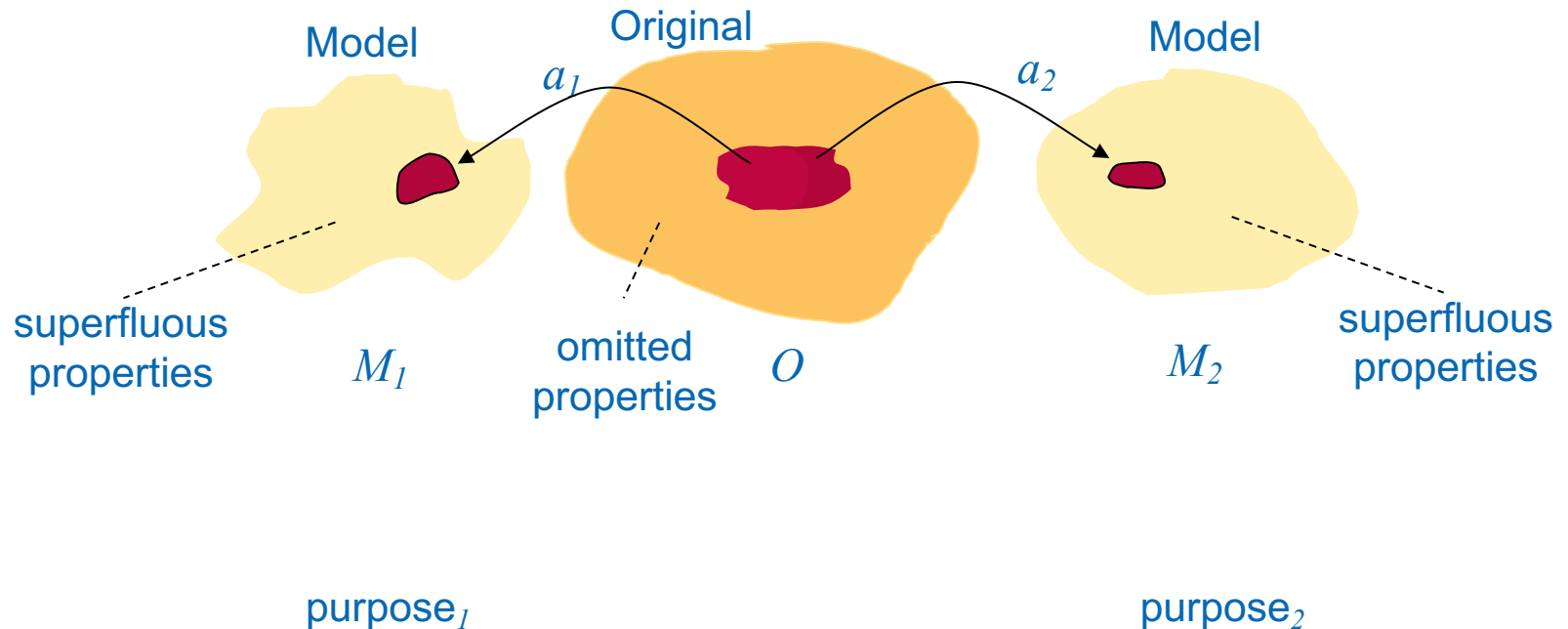
Benefit: For purpose_{*j*} we replace the original O by a suitable model M_j that does not contain any irrelevant information (**reduced complexity!**)



Drawback of Multiple Models?

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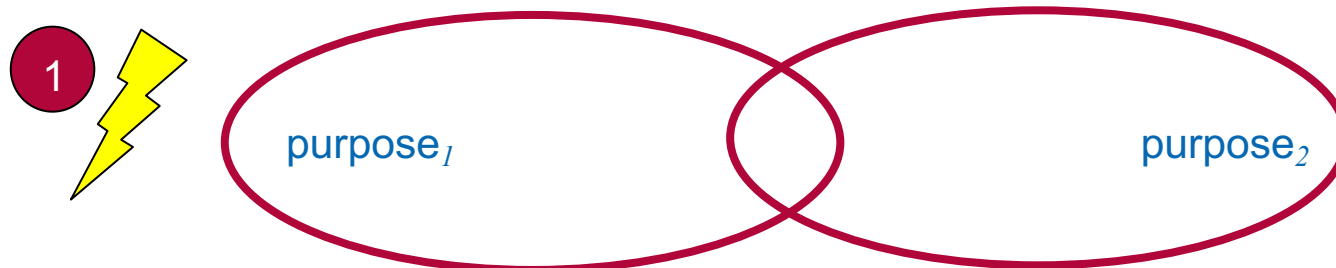
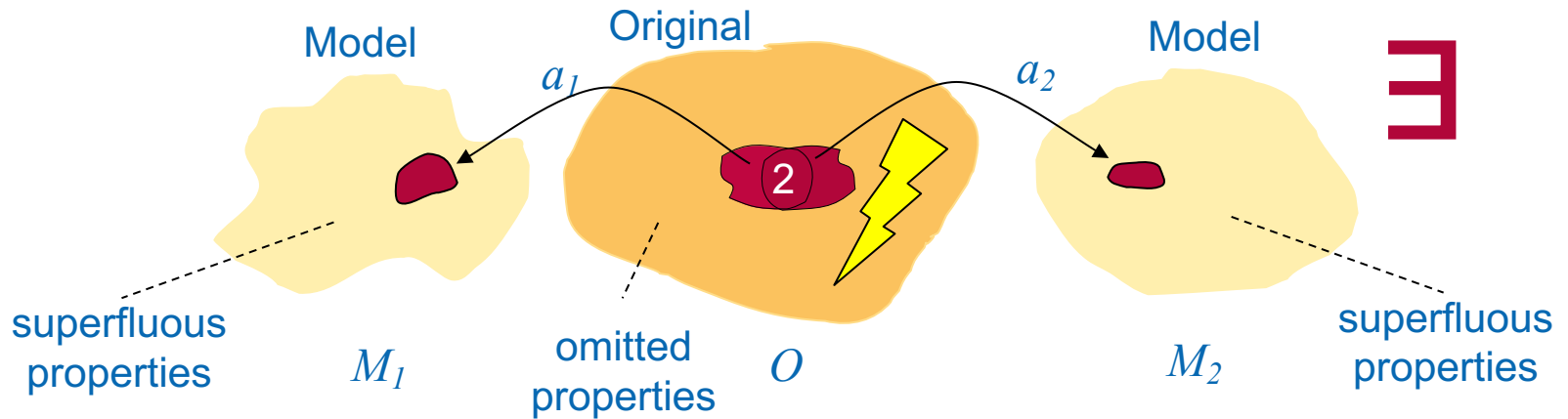
Drawback: Does an original O consistent with both models M_1 and M_2 really exist (**consistency**)?



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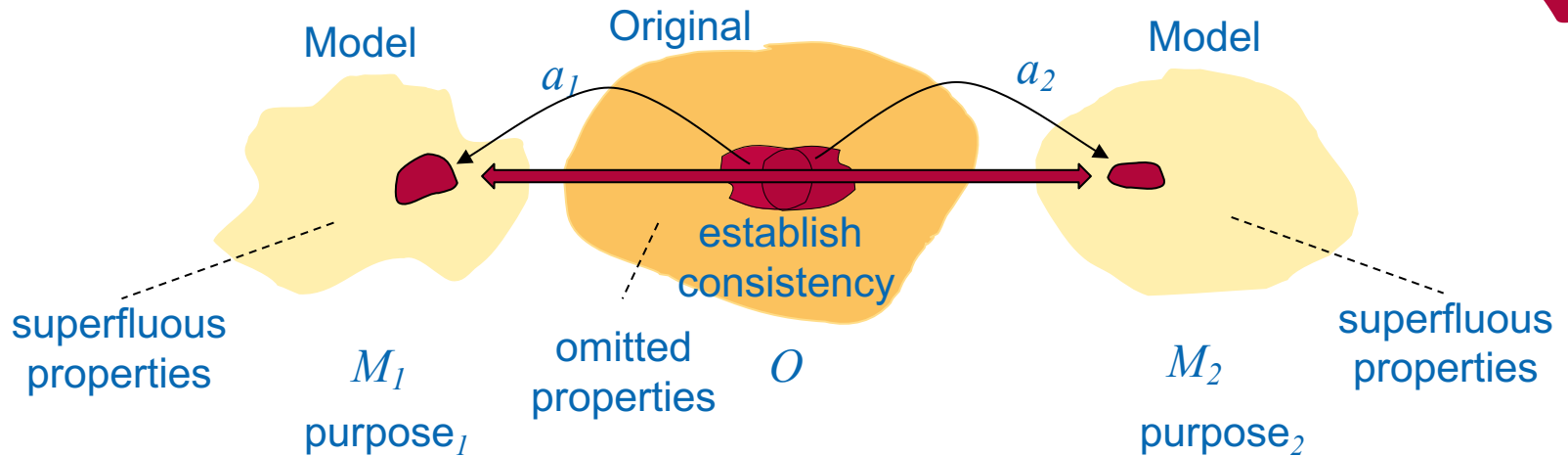


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Why this focus?
This is the heart of the matter of MPM4CPS!

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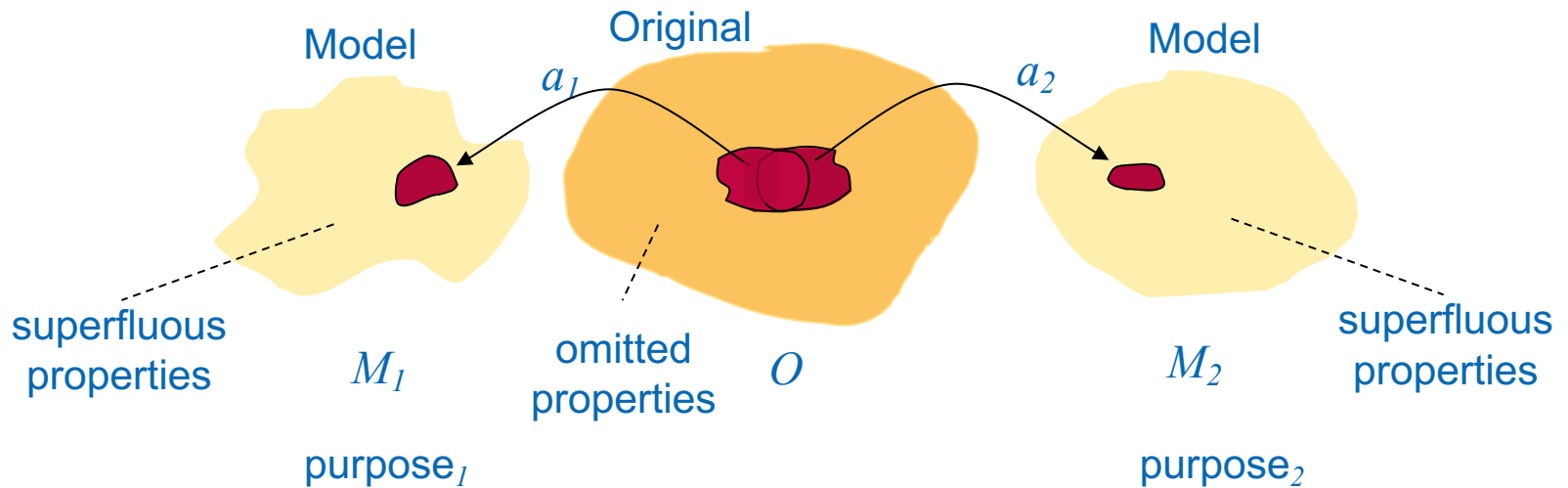
Idea 2: Try for each purposes to find a model M_j that replace the original O , does not contain any irrelevant information (reduced complexity!), and **integrate** the models systematically to establish consistency.



Key questions:

- How many models are helpful (tradeoff benefits vs. integration effort)?
- When and how is integration happen for these models?

(1) How Many Models? Multi-Formalisms



Specific for purpose₁:

- Chosen formalism (semantics)
- Chosen level of detail

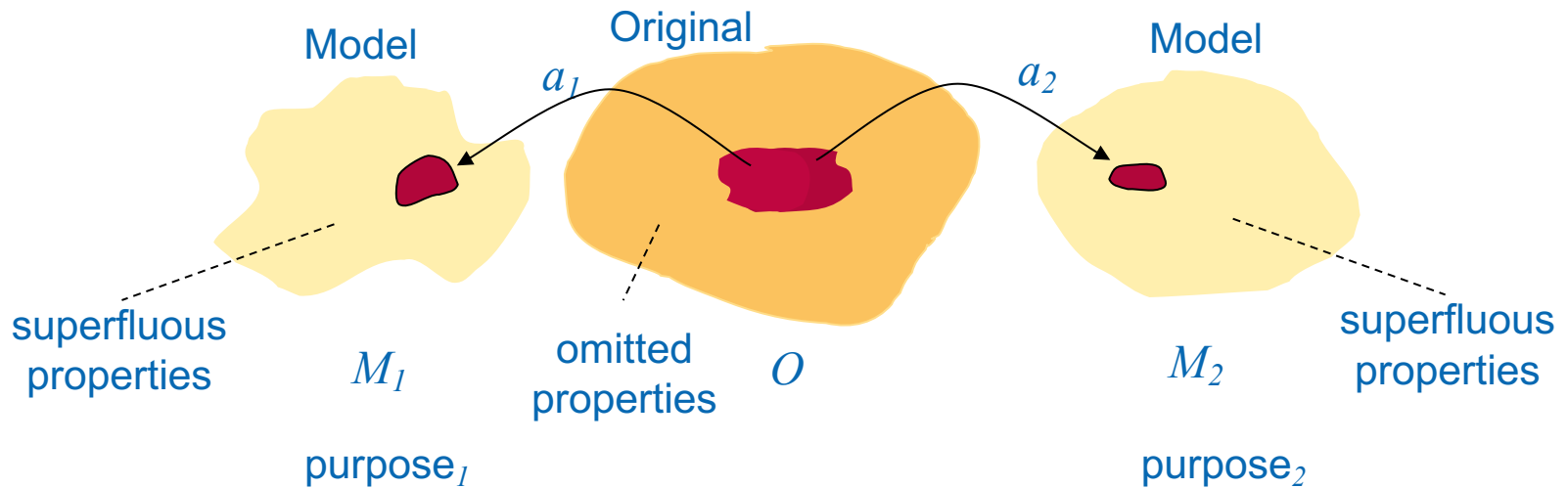
Specific for purpose₂:

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Integration has to consider more ...

How Many Models? Multiple Paradigms

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Specific for purpose₁:

- Chosen paradigm
 - Formalism(s) + semantics
 - Workflows and tools used
 - Local consistency needs

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Integration has to bridge/link the paradigms

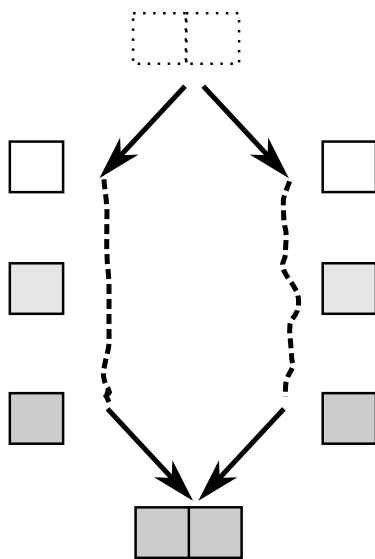
(2) Integration: When & How

Warning: We use a less restricted notion of integration than many others ...

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Fundamental Techniques for Integration:

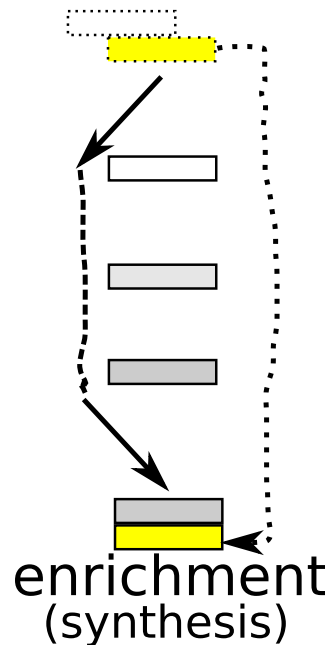
decomposition



composition

(a) composition

abstraction

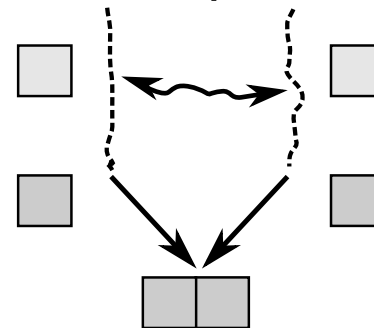


enrichment
(synthesis)

(b) abstraction

[Giese+2011]

parallel-
development



consistency

(c) consistency

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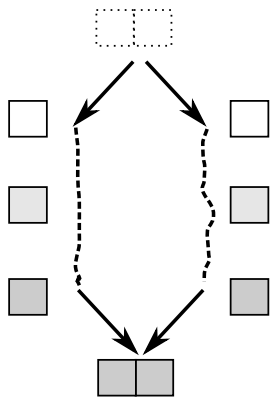
Integration via Explicit Decomposition & Composition

[Giese+2011]

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- explicit (horizontal) decomposition
- constant level of abstraction
- subsystems can be developed in parallel

decomposition



composition

(a) composition

Point in time:

- **Decomposition**: interfaces guarantees integration during the later composition (e.g., syntax-level for programming languages)
- **Composition**: risk that integration problems are detected rather late
- **Synthesis**: automated techniques that can generate a solution that solves the integration problem (if possible)

Remarks:

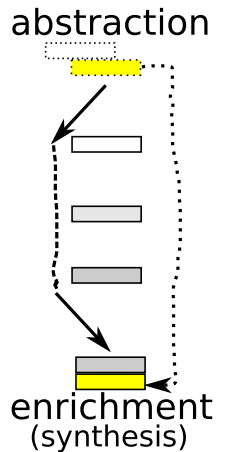
- Ideal case: all relevant characteristics are guaranteed for composition
- Real case: only a few relevant characteristics are guaranteed for composition
- Separation of concerns may not be enough to exclude that concern span multiple models
- Emergent phenomena can only be observed for the composition (e.g., deadlock)

Integration via Vertical Abstraction & Enrichment

[Giese+2011]

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- change of the abstraction level
- implicit separation by omitting the details for a certain time
- Vertical enrichment can happen in two fundamentally different forms:
 - unconstrained enrichment (orthogonal characteristics)
 - constrained enrichment (refinement/approximation)



(b) abstraction

Point in time:

- **During abstraction:** can be employed to ease development when there is only a unidirectional dependency between the upfront-addressed details and the omitted ones
- **During enrichment:** the integration problem has to be addressed late when the enrichment happens, as the initial abstraction step does not provide any guarantee for the later enrichments.
- **During enrichment by synthesis:** used to automatically apply enrichment (if possible)

Examples:

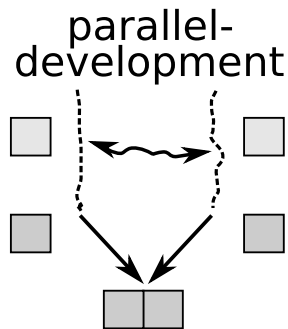
- Architecture layers with std. interface (operating system, hardware)

Integration via Consistency & Synchronization

[Giese+2011]

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- approach the dependencies between the different artifacts throughout the parallel development
 - check consistency & resolve issue immediately
 - synchronization → automatically keep consistent



consistency

(c) consistency

Point in time:

- Frequently: do a horizontal integration of models that evolve in parallel

Remarks:

- the in parallel developed models can more freely evolve
- consistency resp. synchronization covers usually not all integration problems later on (example co-simulation and scheduling)

Kind of Integration (to Bridge Paradigms)

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- **Formalism-based**: Having a single formalism in a paradigm that includes multiple paradigms (e.g., hybrid automata contain differential equations and automata)
- **Composition-based**: We compose formalism supporting different paradigms into a single paradigm by a suitable model of computation that composes the multiple formalisms (e.g., Simulink/Stateflow)
- **Tool-based**: We consider formalisms supporting different paradigms together via tools (e.g., co-simulation of a Simulink model and a plant specific simulator)

Level of Integration

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- **Representation-level**: integration efforts only guarantee that a joint representation is reached
- **Syntax-level**: integration efforts lead to correct syntax
- **Semantics-level**: integration efforts lead to compatibility at the level of the semantics

Examples from software engineering:

- Merge is usually only ad hoc achieving representation-level integration and compilation is expected to ensure syntax-level integration
- Continuous integration = fully automated regression testing ensures some degree of semantic-level integration (changes do not break the semantic needs encoded in the tests)

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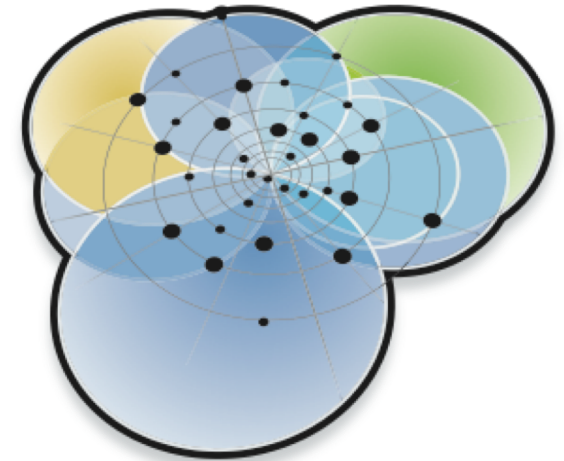
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[Northrop+2006]



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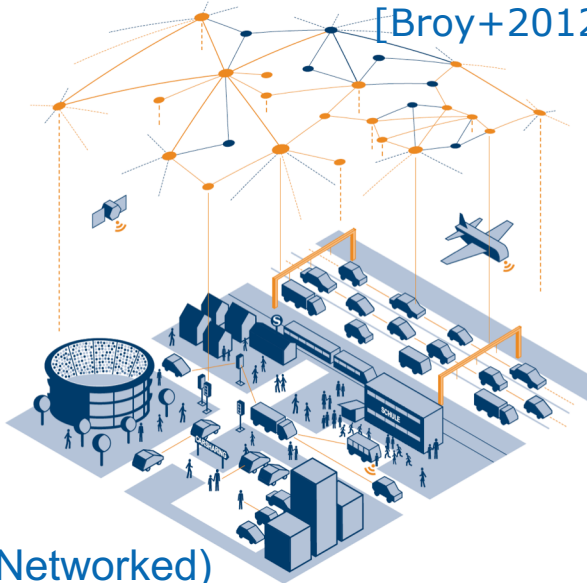
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[Broy+2012]



(Networked)
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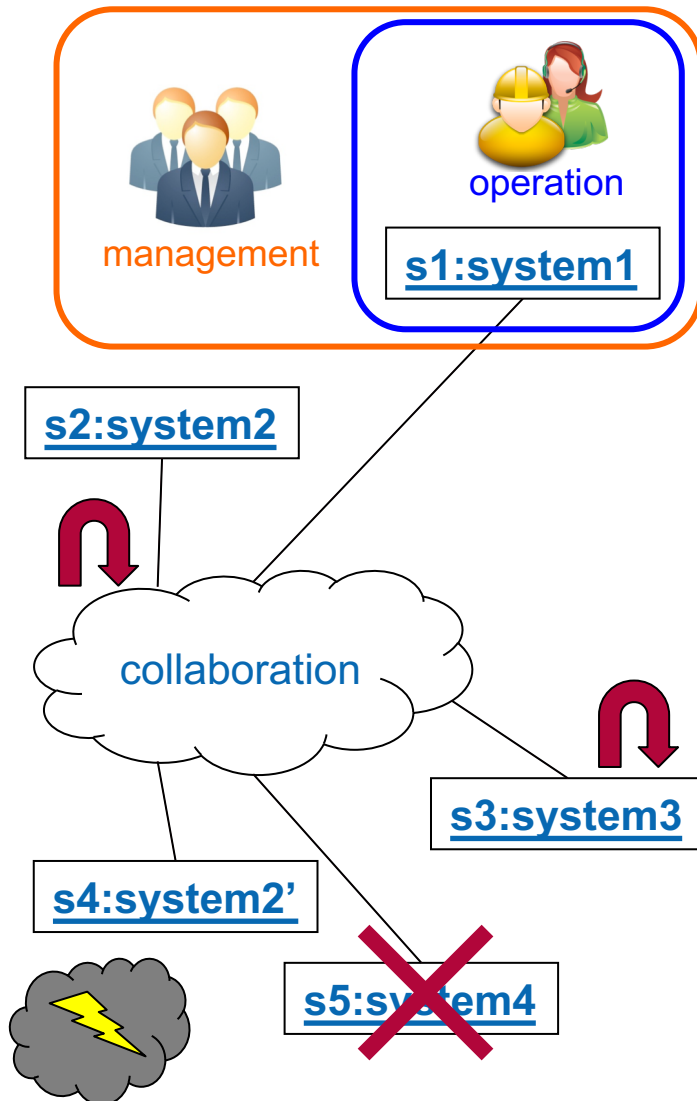
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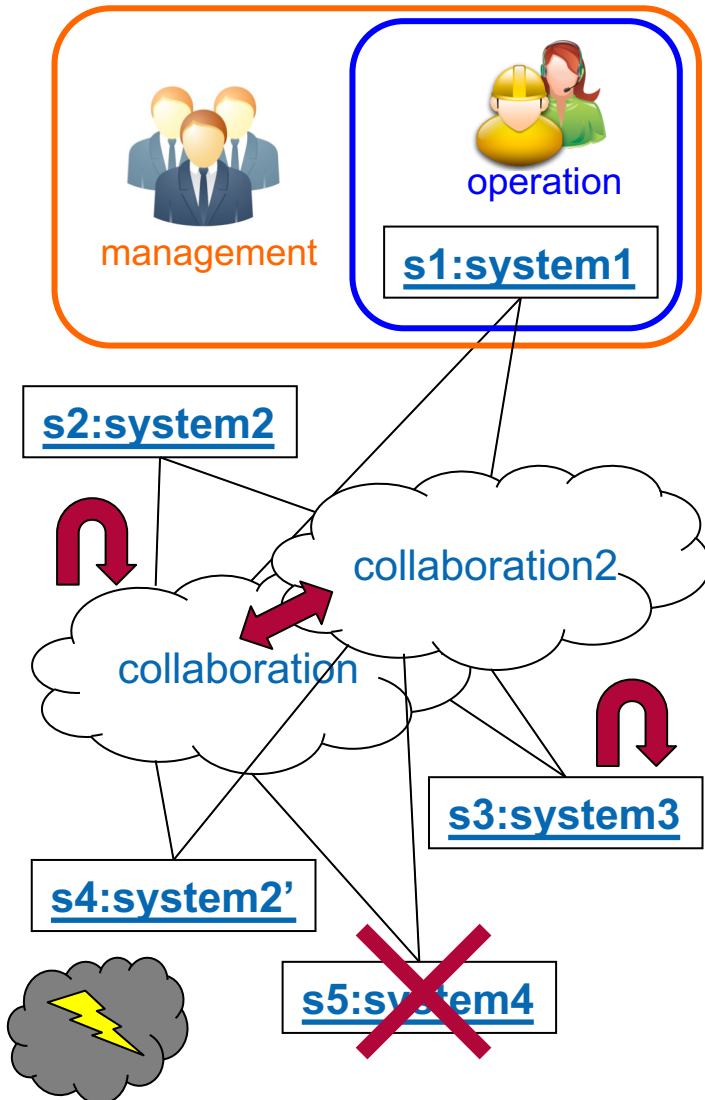
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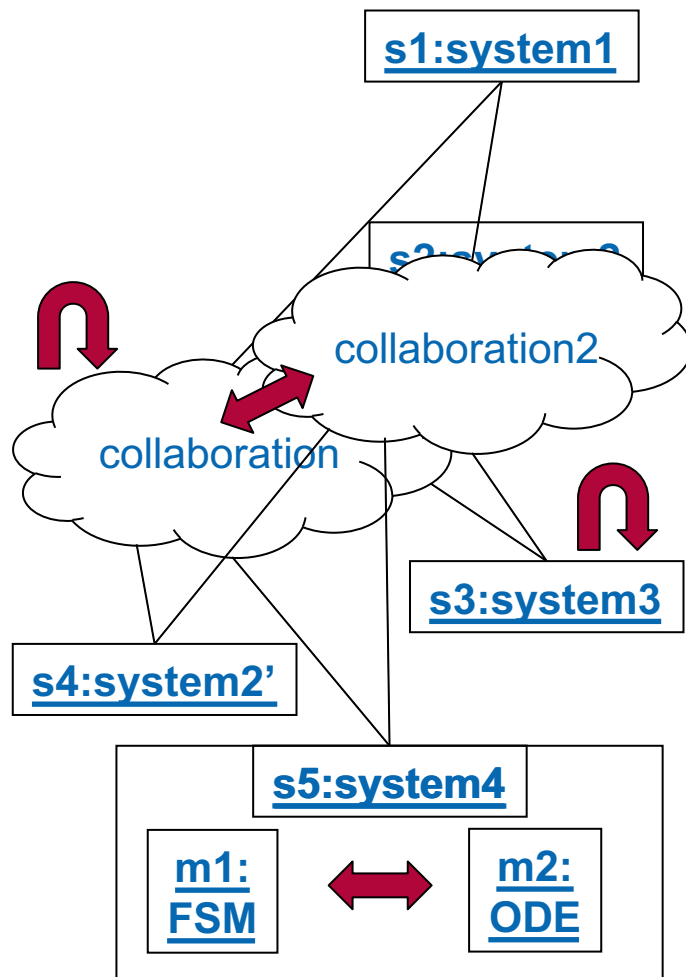
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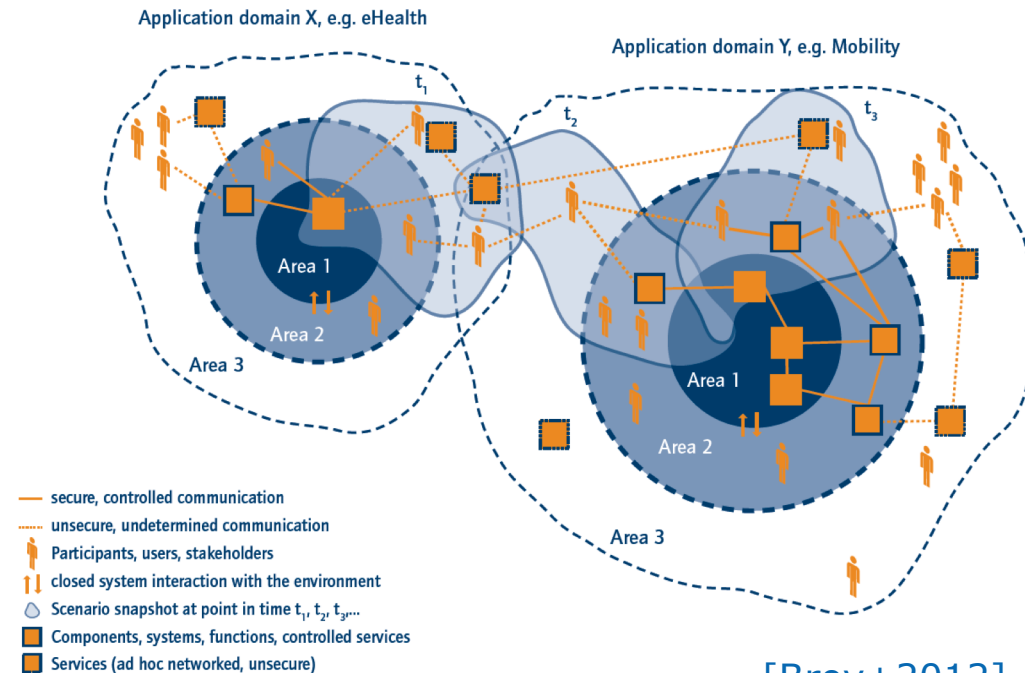
Challenge: Cross-Domain Integration

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Example: A convoy of fully autonomous cars abandons the premium track in order to give way to an ambulance (intersection of CPS specific for **traffic** and **health care**)

CPS of different domains have to be connected:

- According to social and spatial network topologies, CPS operate across different nested spheres of uncertainty
- CPS dedicated to different domains have to interact and coordinate.



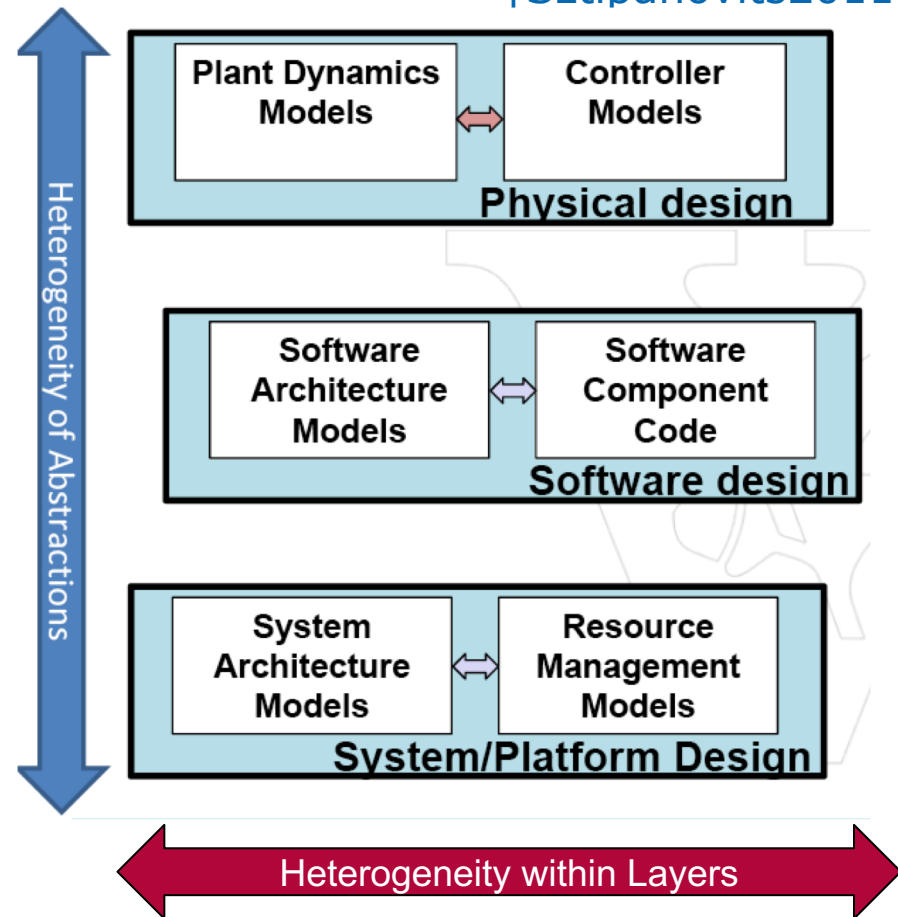
[Broy+2012]

Integration has to cover multiple domains and their **paradigms**

Challenge: Integrate Models of Computation

[Sztipanovits2011]

- Problem to integrate models within one layer as different **models of computation** are employed
- Leaky abstractions are caused by lack of composability across system layers. Consequences:
 - intractable interactions
 - unpredictable system level behavior
 - full-system verification does not scale



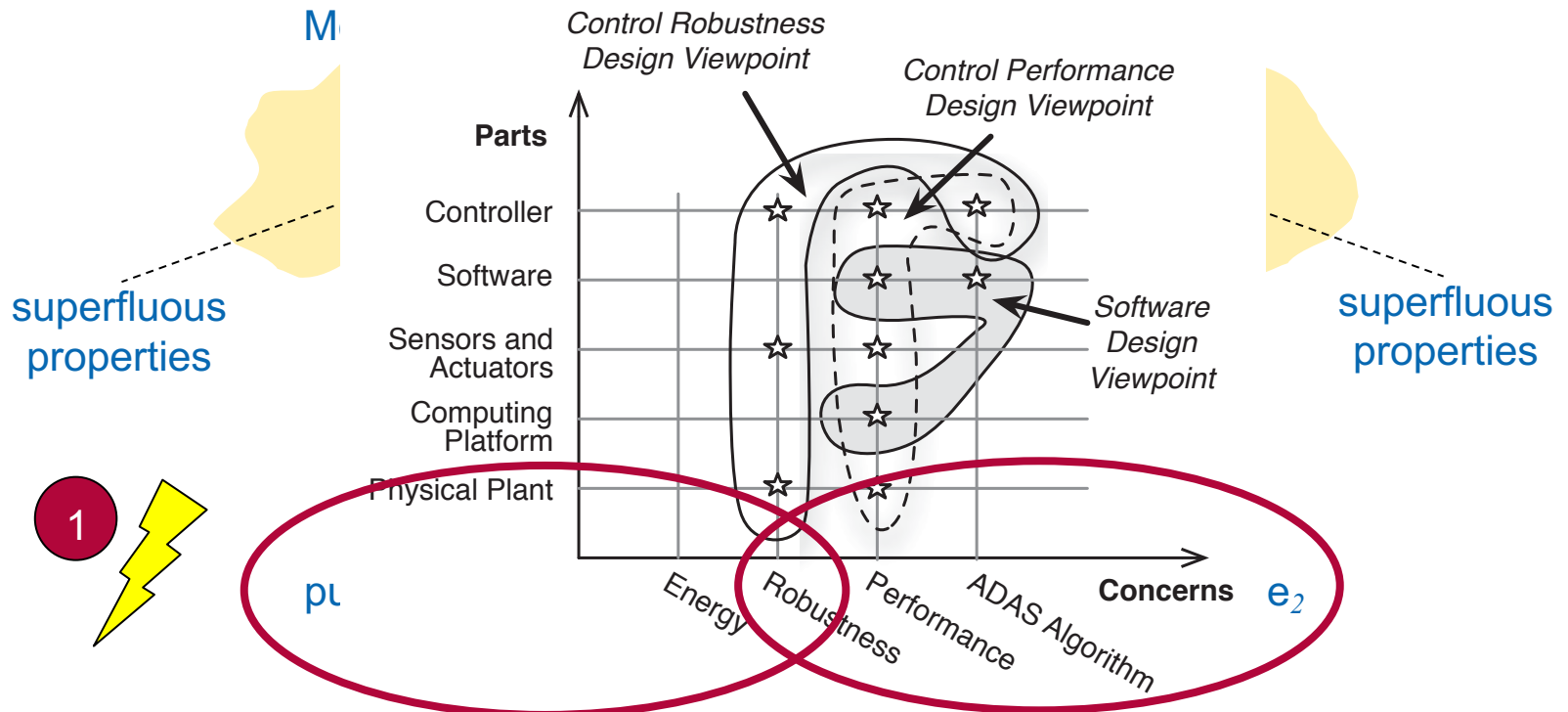
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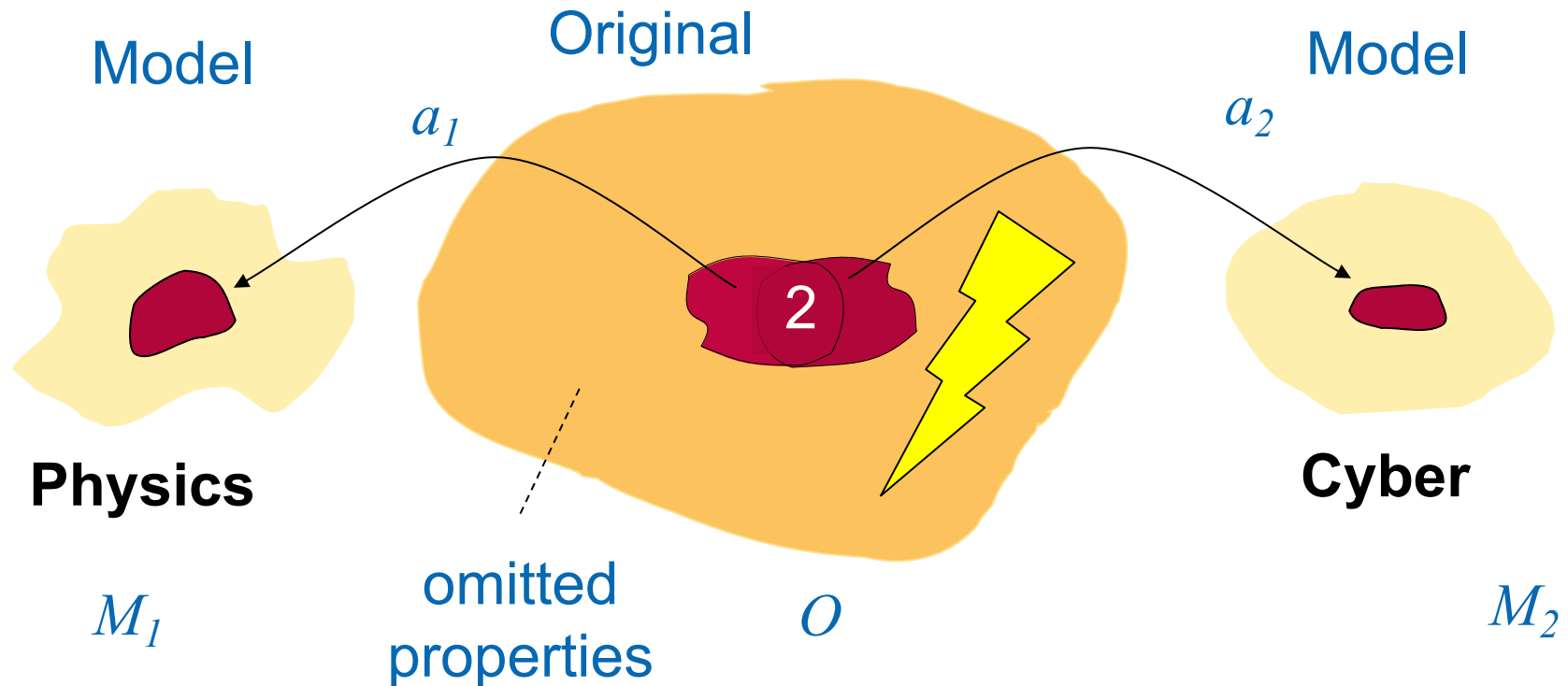


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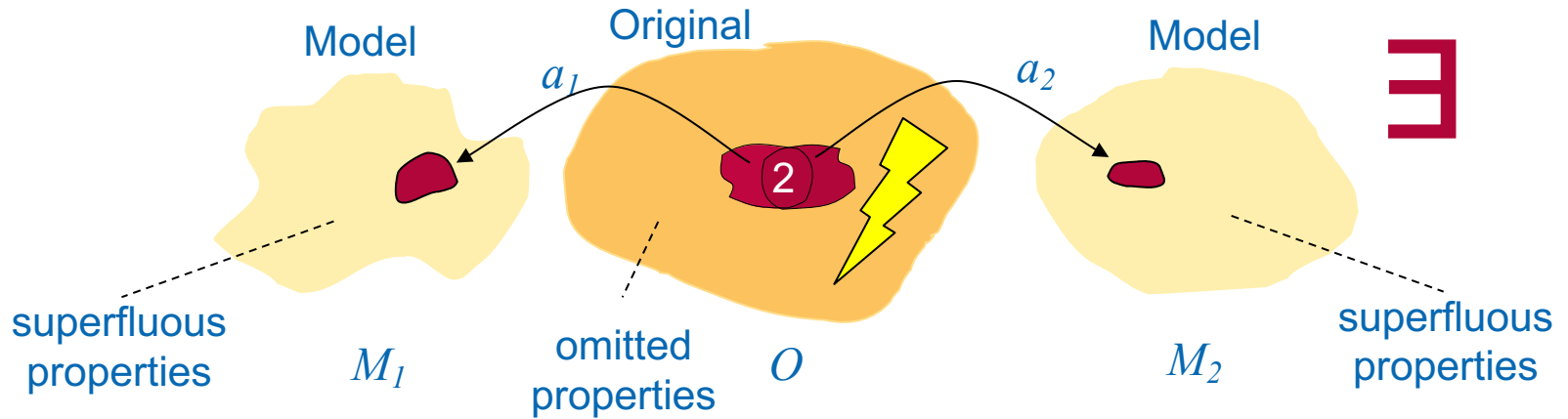


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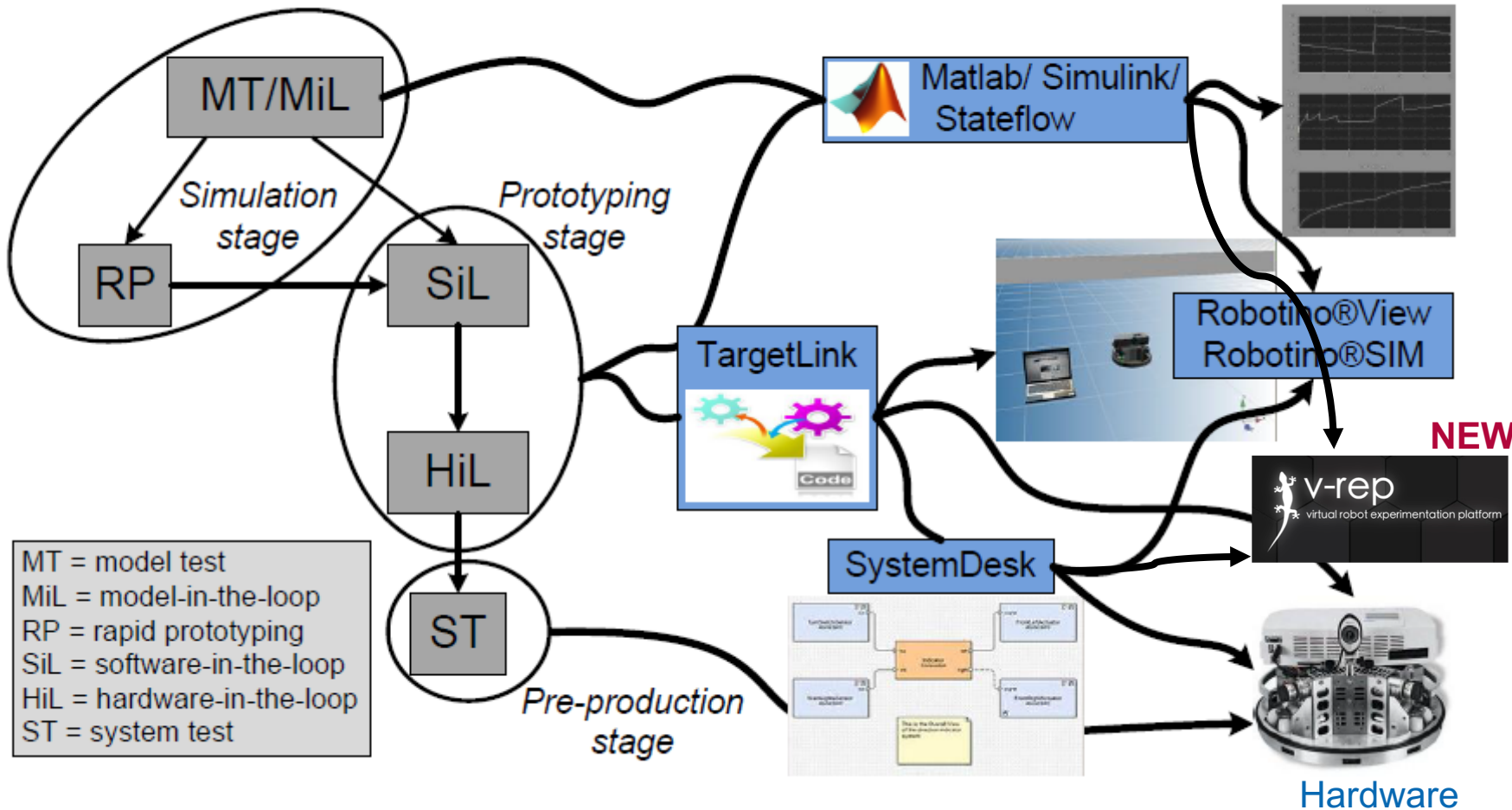
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Big Picture

Methodology

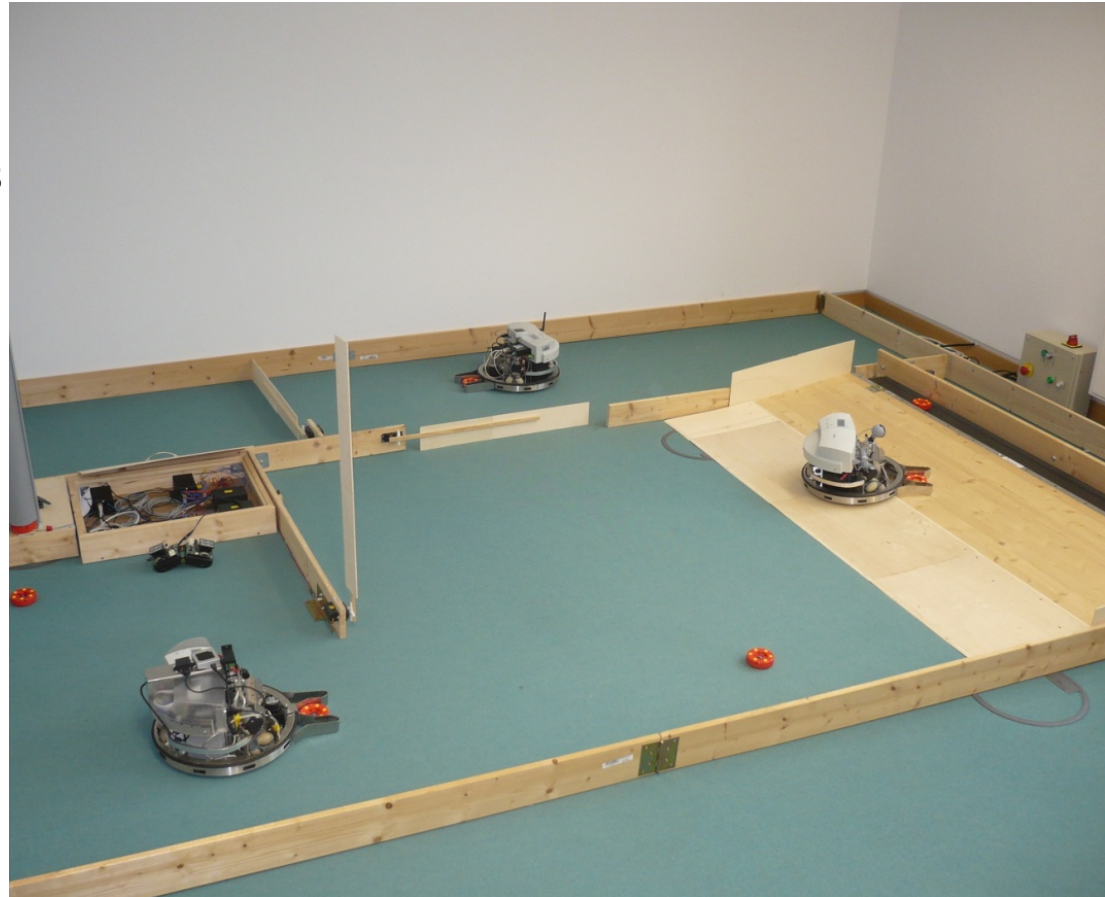
Tool landscape



HPI CPSLab: Industry 4.0 Production

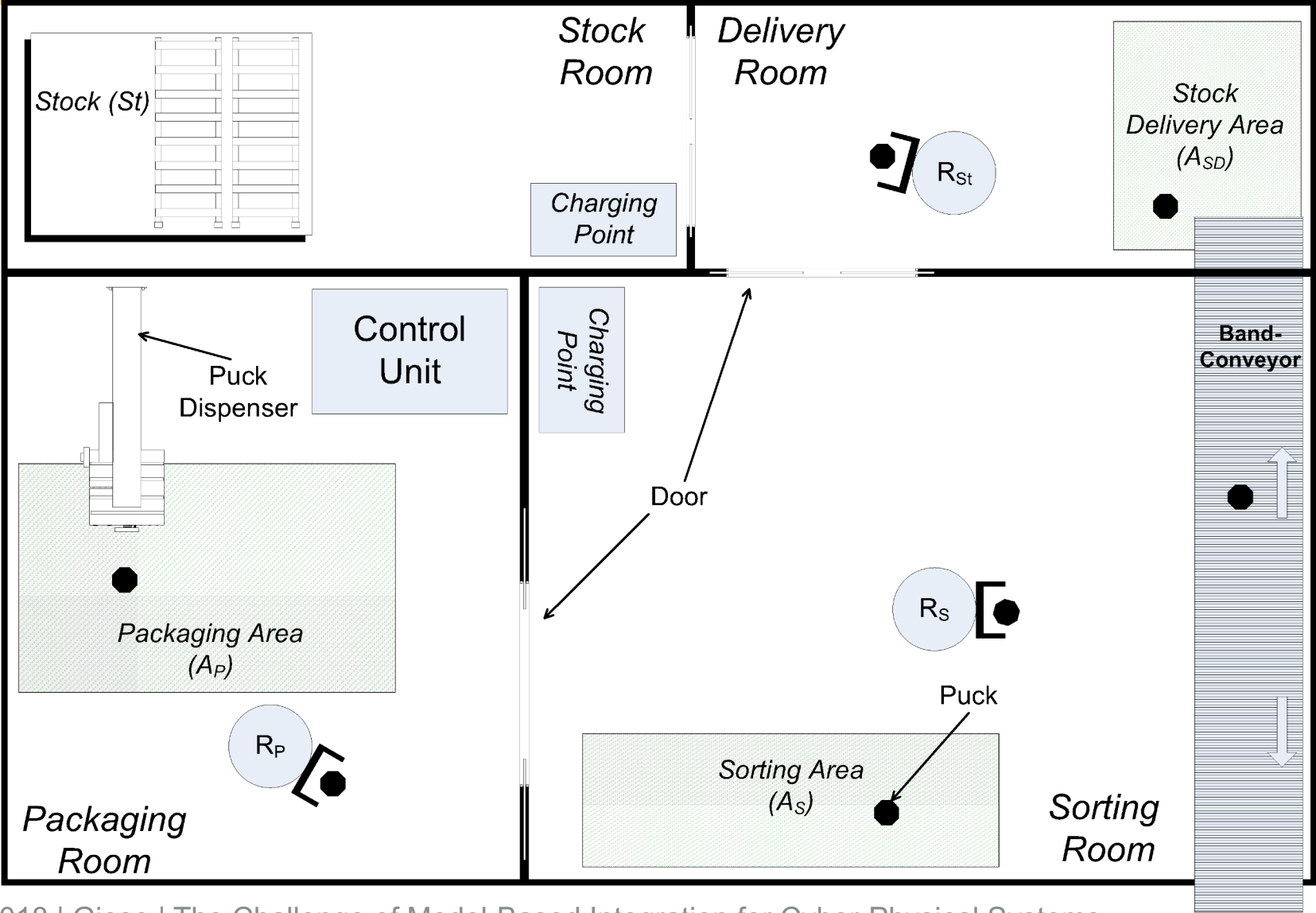
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- Robots in Production Setting
- Transportation of Goods
 - represented by Pucks
- Different Production Locations
 - Puck Dispenser
 - Conveyor Belt
 - "Rooms"
- Obstacle Avoidance
 - Walls
 - Doors
 - Other Robots



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HPI CPSLab: Robotino Robot - Overview

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Basic Robotino Robot:

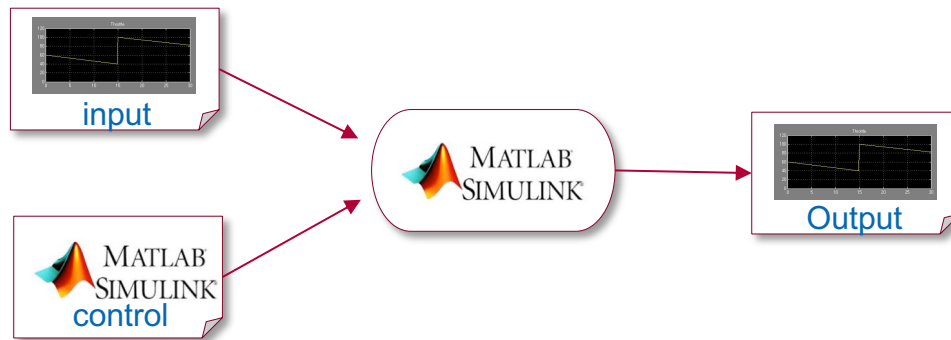
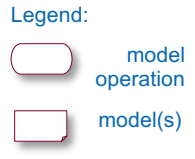
- Omni directional drive permits to move in all directions
- Distance / obstacles sensors
- Bumper to detect collisions
- Coordination via W-LAN

Extensions:

- GPS-like system: Northstar
- Camera & Vision
- Metal detector
- Gripper
- ...

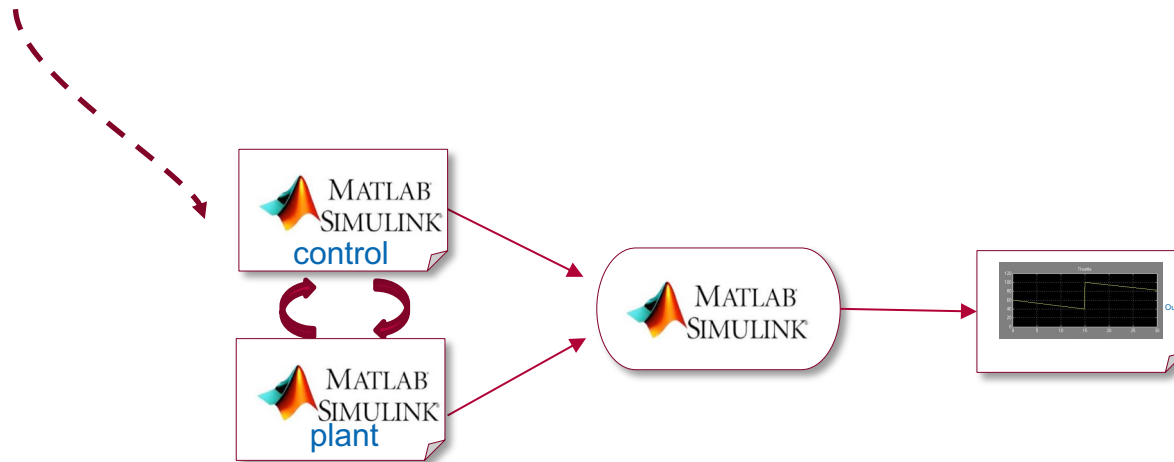
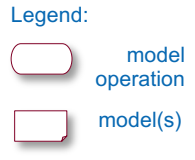


Model Test (MT)



- Layer: Abstract Control Algorithm
- Domains: Control/Software (+ Physics)
- Multi-Paradigm: Yes, if control is discrete and input continuous
- Cyber-Physical system: Yes, as control is cyber and input is (conceptually) from the physical world
- Integration: Decomposition and composition-based

Model in the Loop (MiL)



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Rapid Prototyping (RP) vs. Robot Simulator

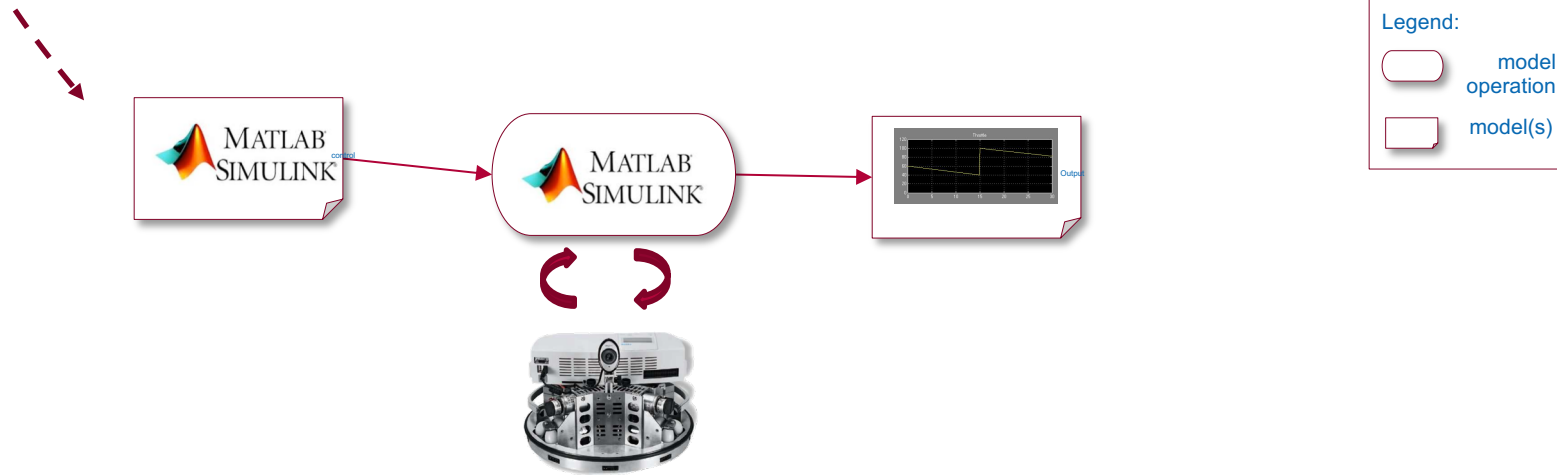
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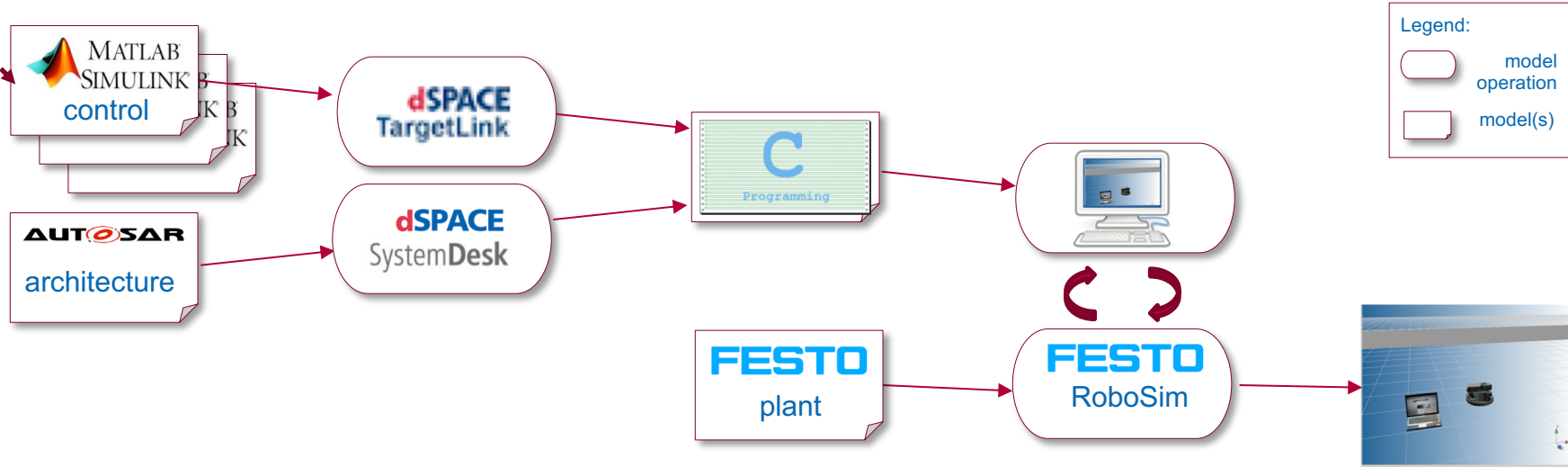
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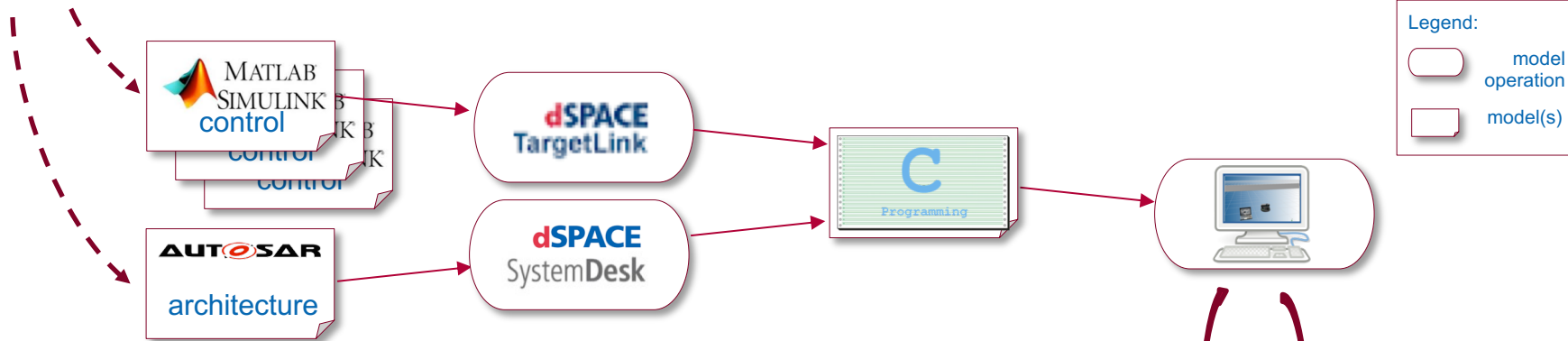
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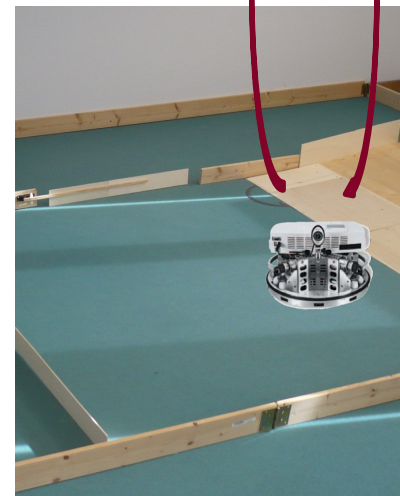
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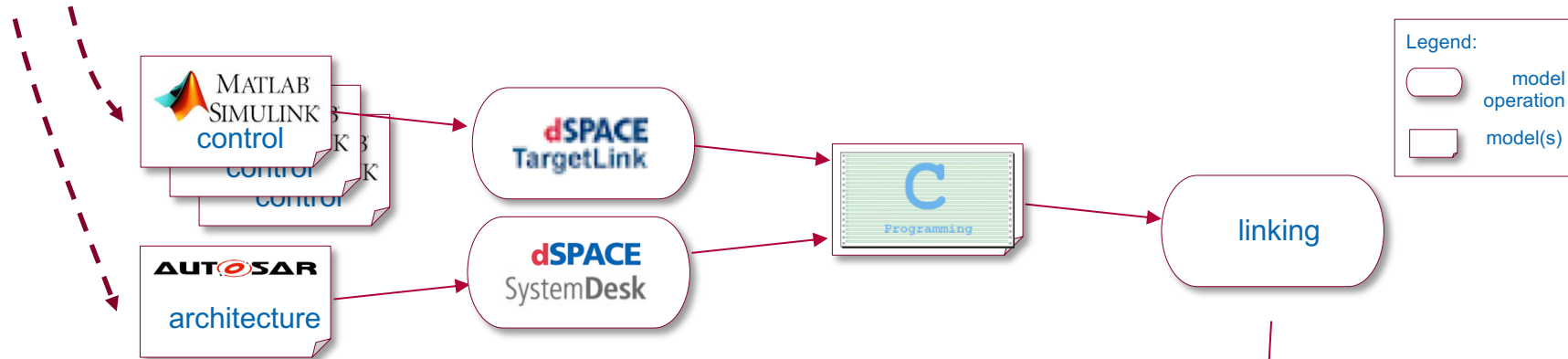


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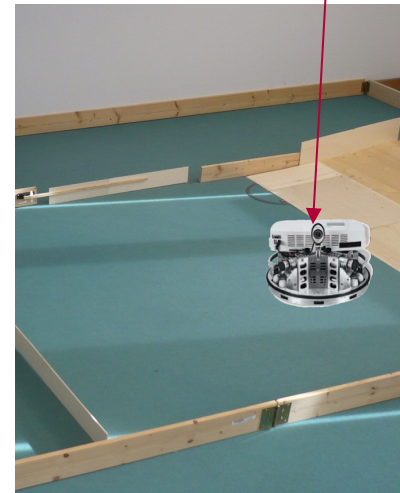


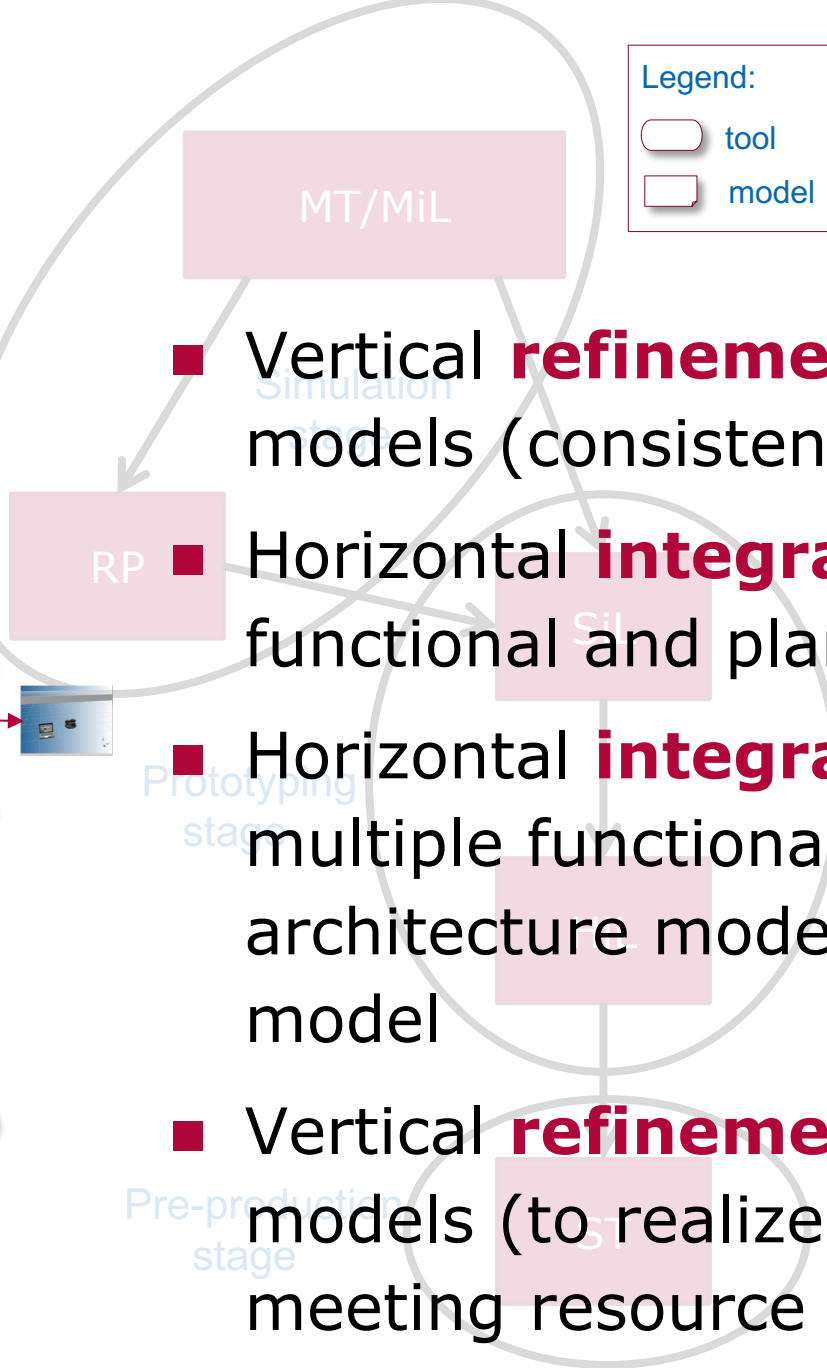
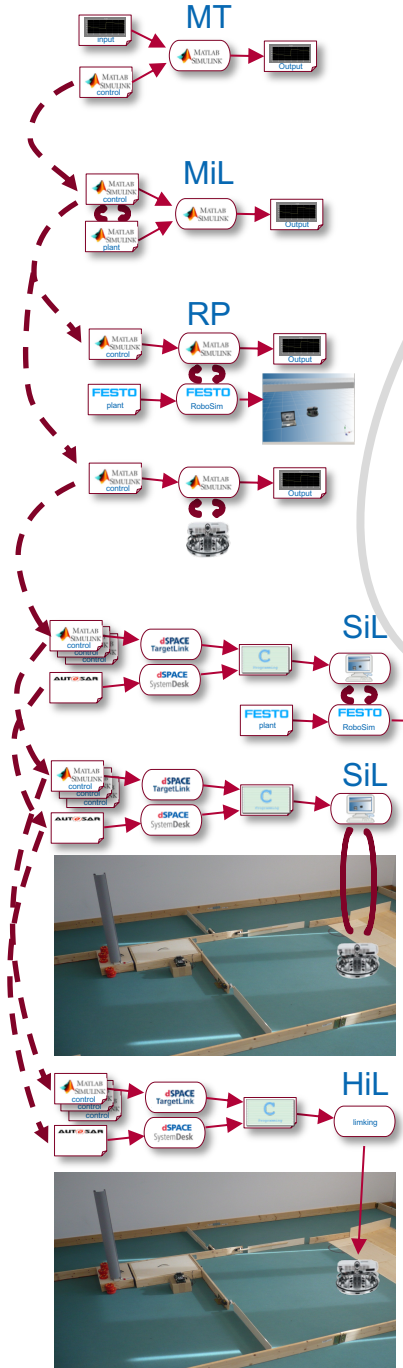
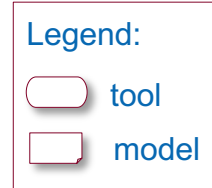
Hardware in the Loop (HiL)

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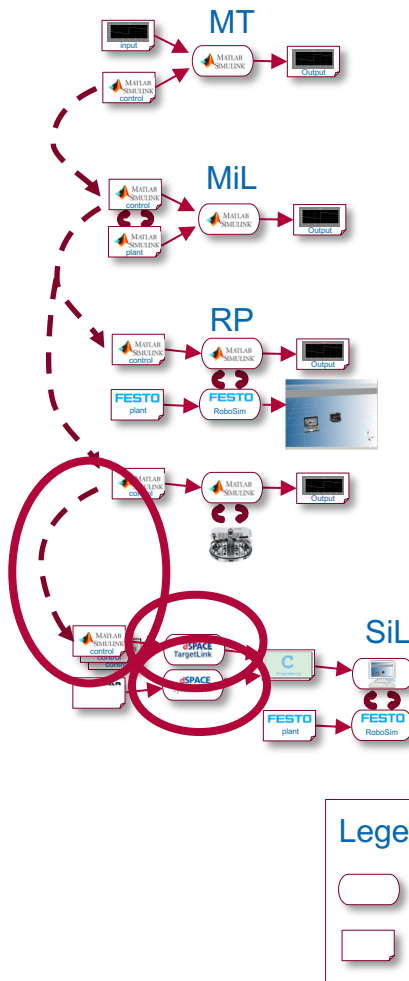




- Vertical **refinement** of functional models (consistency manually)
- Horizontal **integration** of functional and plant models
- Horizontal **integration** of multiple functional models, an architecture model, and a plant model
- Vertical **refinement** of functional models (to realize functions while meeting resource constraints)

Vertical Enrichment & Transformation

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- Vertical **enrichment** of functional models and architecture
- Floating-Point 2 Fix-Point to reduce resource demands models (consistency manually)
- Fix-Point data-flow model 2 C-code models (consistency automatically)
- Autosar 2 C-code models (consistency automatically)

Different paradigms

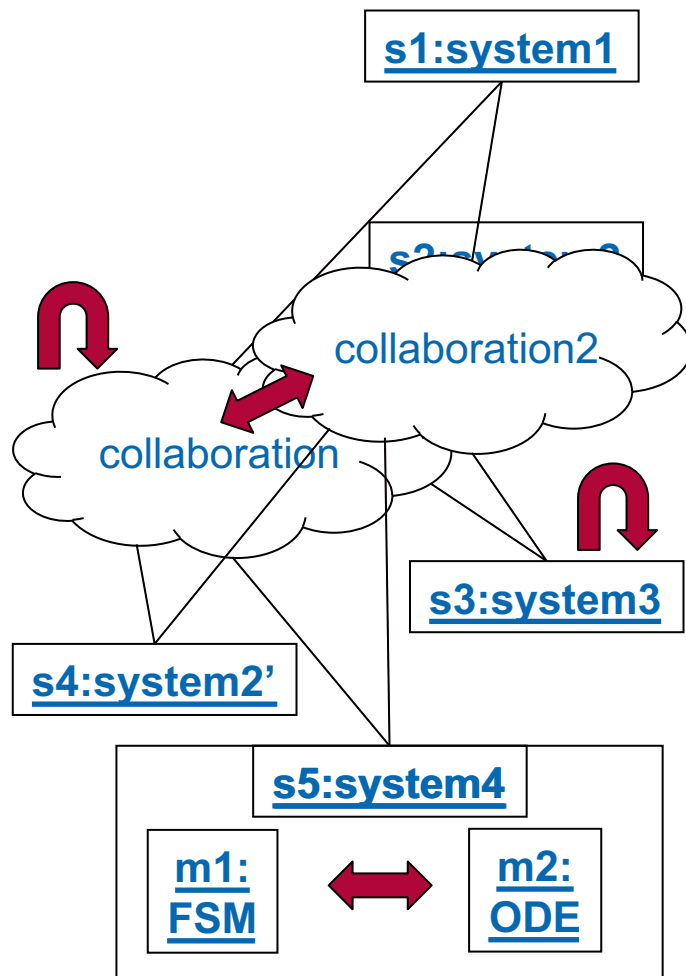
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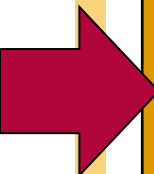
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Bridging Paradigms & Formalism as Backbone

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Tool-based
integration of the
models

Requires an implicit
notion of composition
combining the
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Requires an implicit
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Formalism-based
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Overview over the Needs for Formalisms

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Coverage of the Needs for Formalisms

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Our Work:

- **SMARTSOS** (employing Timed and Hybrid GTS [Giese+2015])
 - **Timed GTS** ([Becker&Giese2008])
 - **Hybrid GTS** ([Becker&Giese2012])
 - **Probabilistic timed GTS** ([Maximova2018])
 - **Probabilistic GTS** ([Krause&Giese2012])
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BUT: We would need as foundation formalisms that supports all required characteristics at once!

Outline

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- 1. Foundations**
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- **Multiple models** and their **integration** is the heart of the matter developing complex systems
- In case of **cyber-physical systems** it holds:
 - models employ **different paradigms** specific for their **layer** and/or **domain**
 - **Integration** of the models is of **paramount importance** during the development
- **Current challenges:**
 - Build cost-effectively the required **formalisms** / **compositions** / **tools** to integrate the models
 - Support analysis also for **emergent properties**

- Future **cyber-physical systems** have many **additional needs** (compositionality, dynamic structures, reflection, ...) we have to address **at once** (via formalism, composition, or tool).
- **Future challenges:**
 - Setup the **foundation** for the required **formalisms** / **compositions** / **tools** to integrate the models covering the additional needs
 - Support analysis for **emergent properties** covering also the additional needs
 - Support integration **at runtime**

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