



DIGITAL TWINS SUPPORT FOR MODEL-BASED HUMAN-SYSTEMS INTEGRATION

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PURPOSE

- Show that digital twins (DTs) are useful for
 - Human System Integration (HSI)
 - during the whole life cycle of a system
 - anticipation, preparation, creativity and experience feedback management
- Show that DTs can be qualified as FlexTech
 - from rigid automation to flexible autonomy
 - dealing with the unexpected
 - Well-being, safety, sustainability and efficiency
- Put the artificial at the service of the natural, and not the other way around

Digital twins are not only a question of technology. They should be seen as tools for **human-centered design and operations support...**

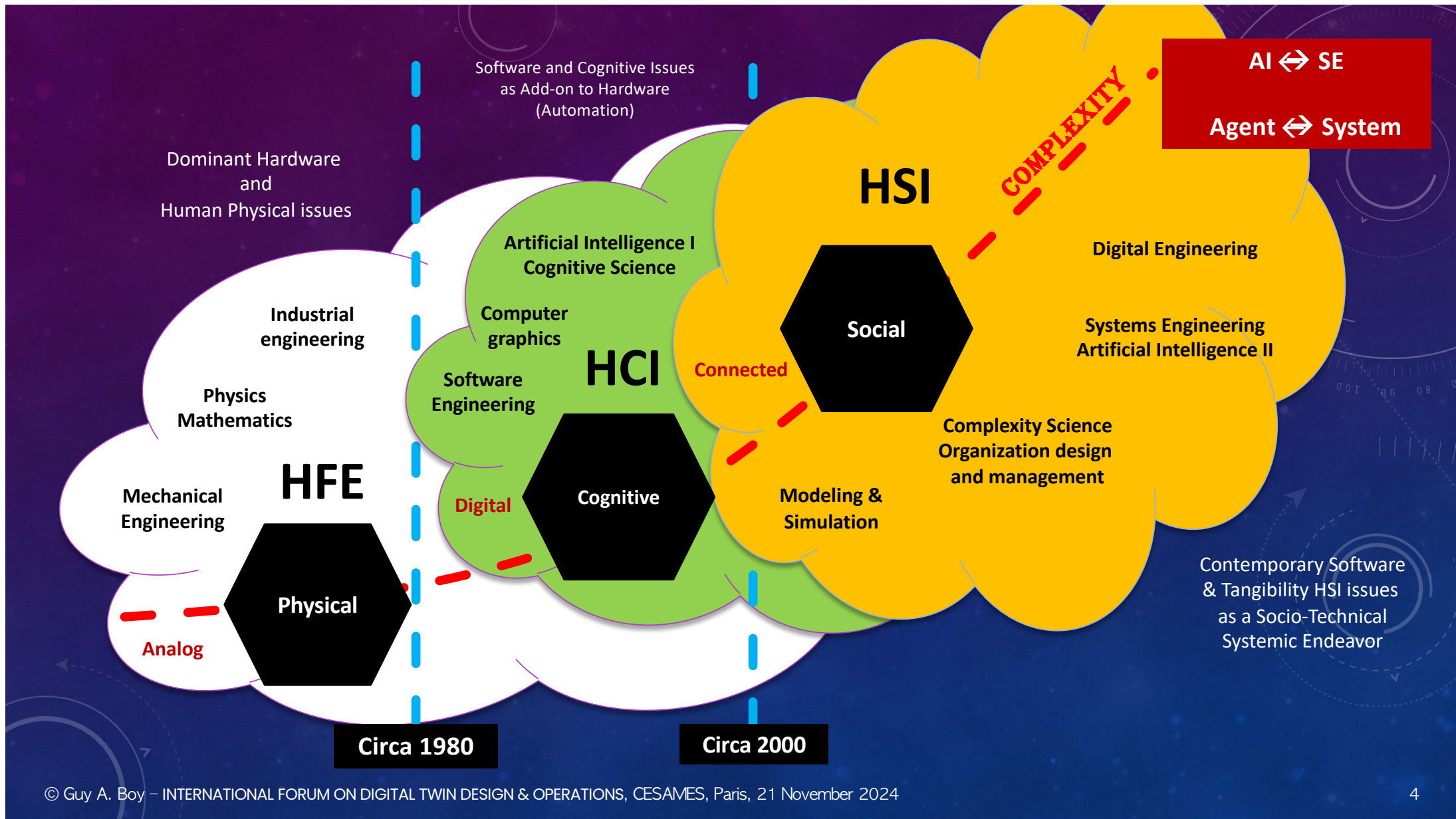


MY WORLD FOR ~45 YEARS...



From correction...
... to interaction
... to integration

... and other things



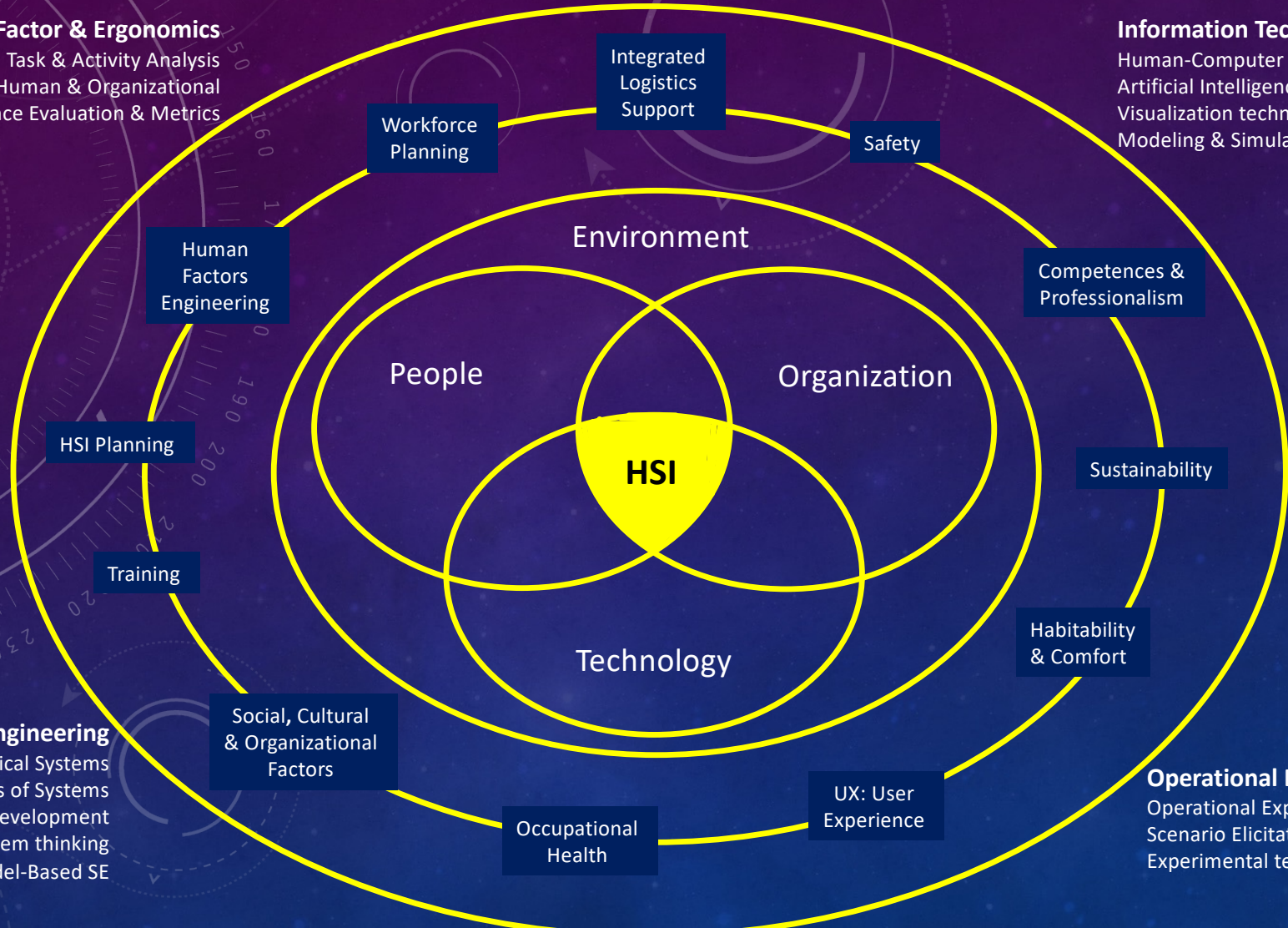


Human-Factor & Ergonomics

Task & Activity Analysis
Human & Organizational
Performance Evaluation & Metrics

Information Technology

Human-Computer Interaction
Artificial Intelligence
Visualization techniques
Modeling & Simulation



Systems Engineering

Sociotechnical Systems
Systems of Systems
Agile Development
Design & System thinking
Model-Based SE

Operational Domain

Operational Expertise & Experience
Scenario Elicitation
Experimental test personnel

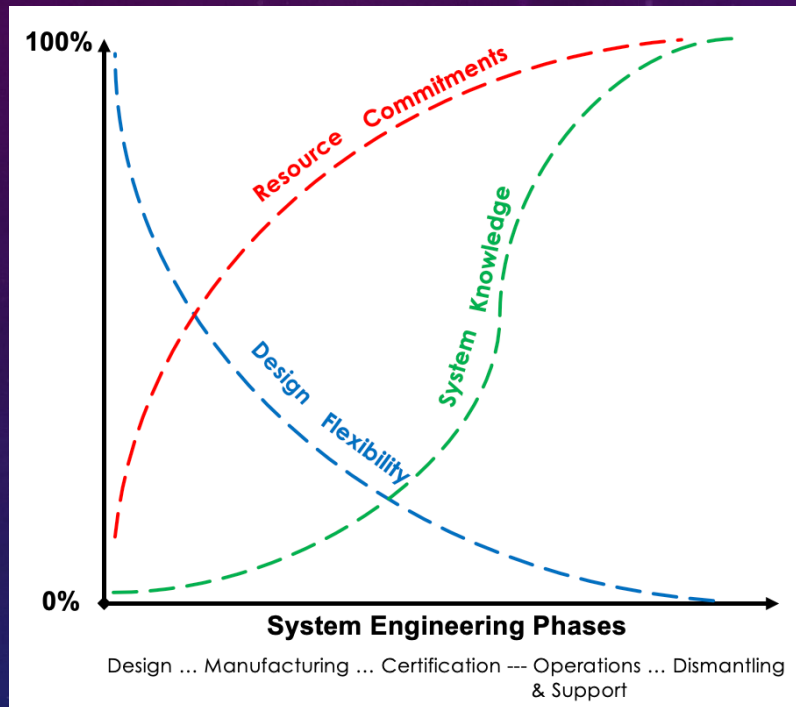
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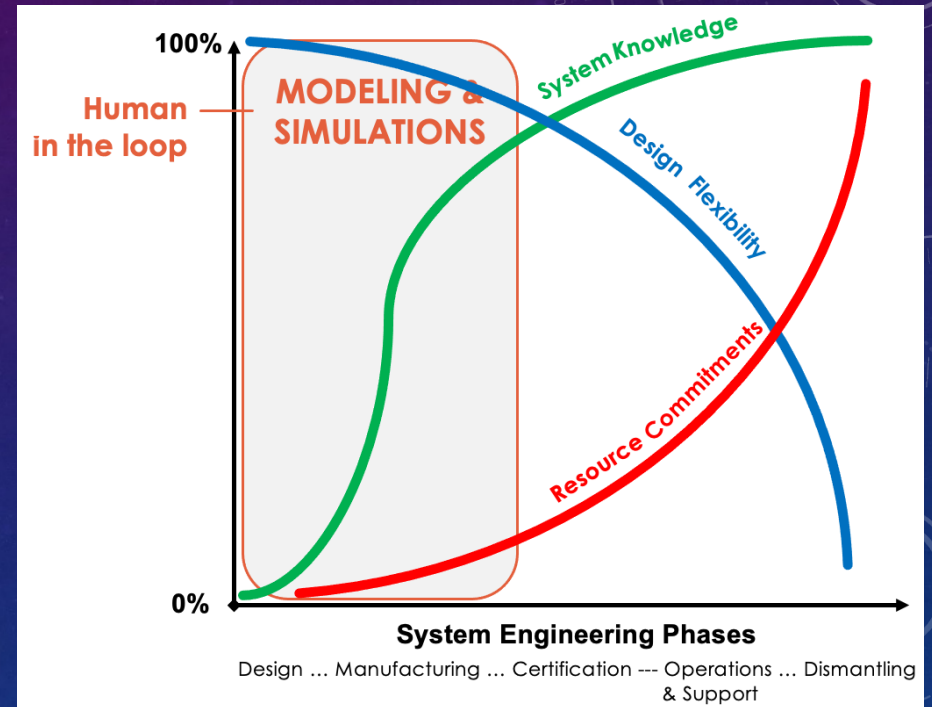
FROM THE EARLY STAGES OF DESIGN

LIFE-CYCLED HUMAN SYSTEMS INTEGRATION

Technology-centered

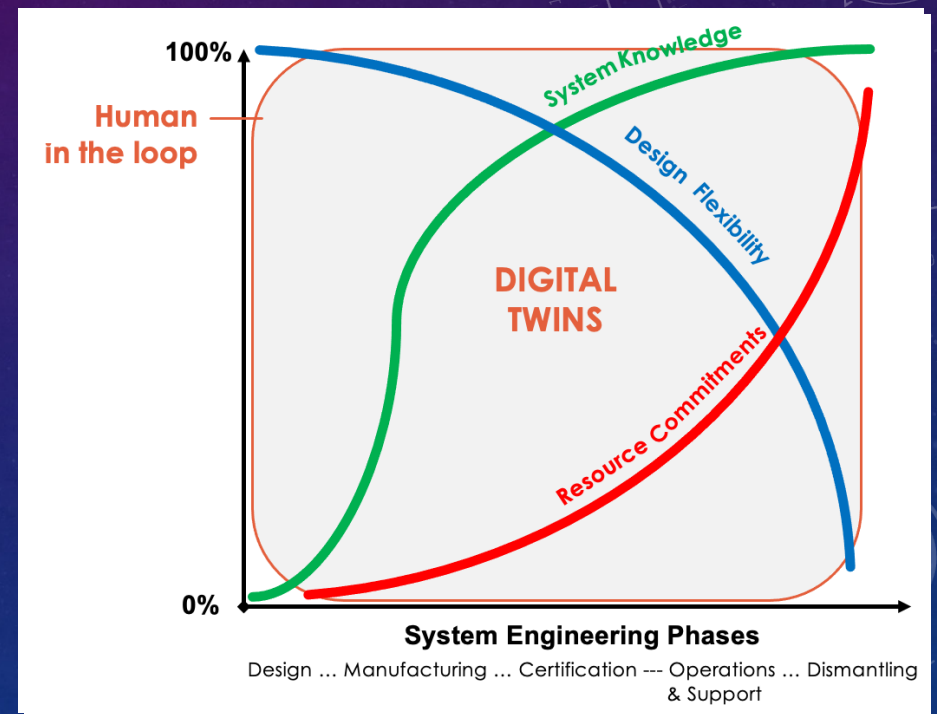


Human-centered



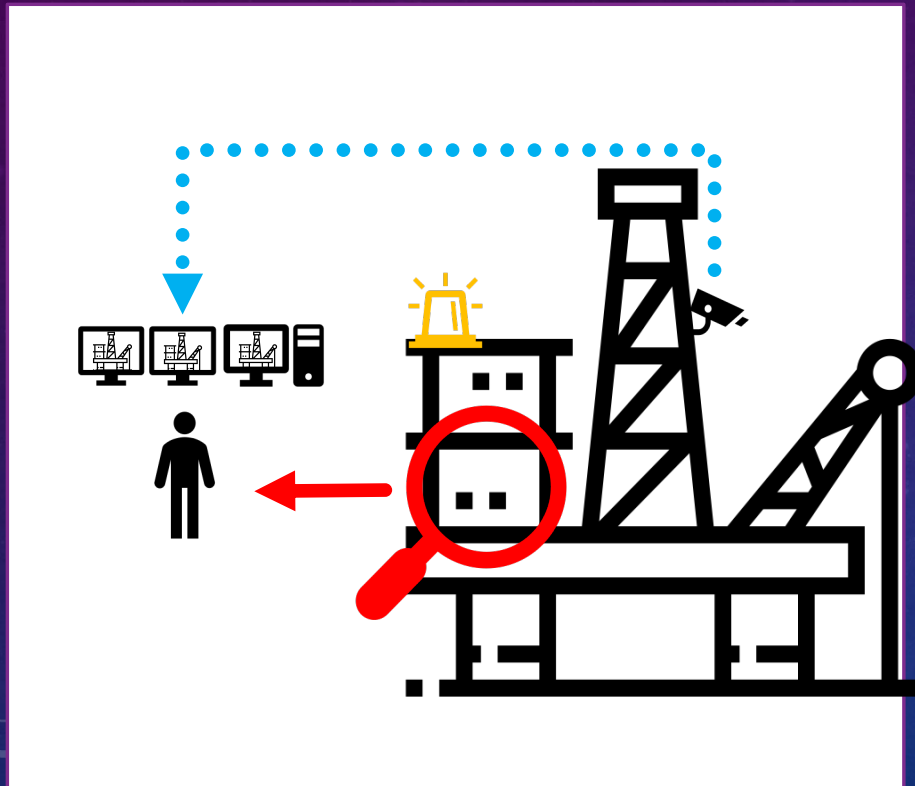
DIGITAL TWINS

- Expanding HITLS
 - During the whole life cycle
 - “what if?”
- Vivid documentation
 - Integration of experience feedback
 - Organizational memory
- DTs as virtual assistants
 - Multi-agent collaboration
 - Mediators for collaborative work



JUNA - LEARNING DIGITAL TWIN

SITUATION AWARENESS ASSISTANT SYSTEM INTEGRATING EXPERIENCE FEEDBACK



“A digital twin is a **dynamic** representation of a **physical** system using interconnected data, models, and processes to enable access to **knowledge** of past, present, and future states to **manage** action on that system.”

(Camara Dit Pinto, 2021)

Reality anchors:

physical or cognitive **resources** that allow human operators to **apprehend reality** at operations time

HUMAN-CENTERED DESIGN OF A DIGITAL TWIN FOR HELICOPTER ENGINE MAINTENANCE



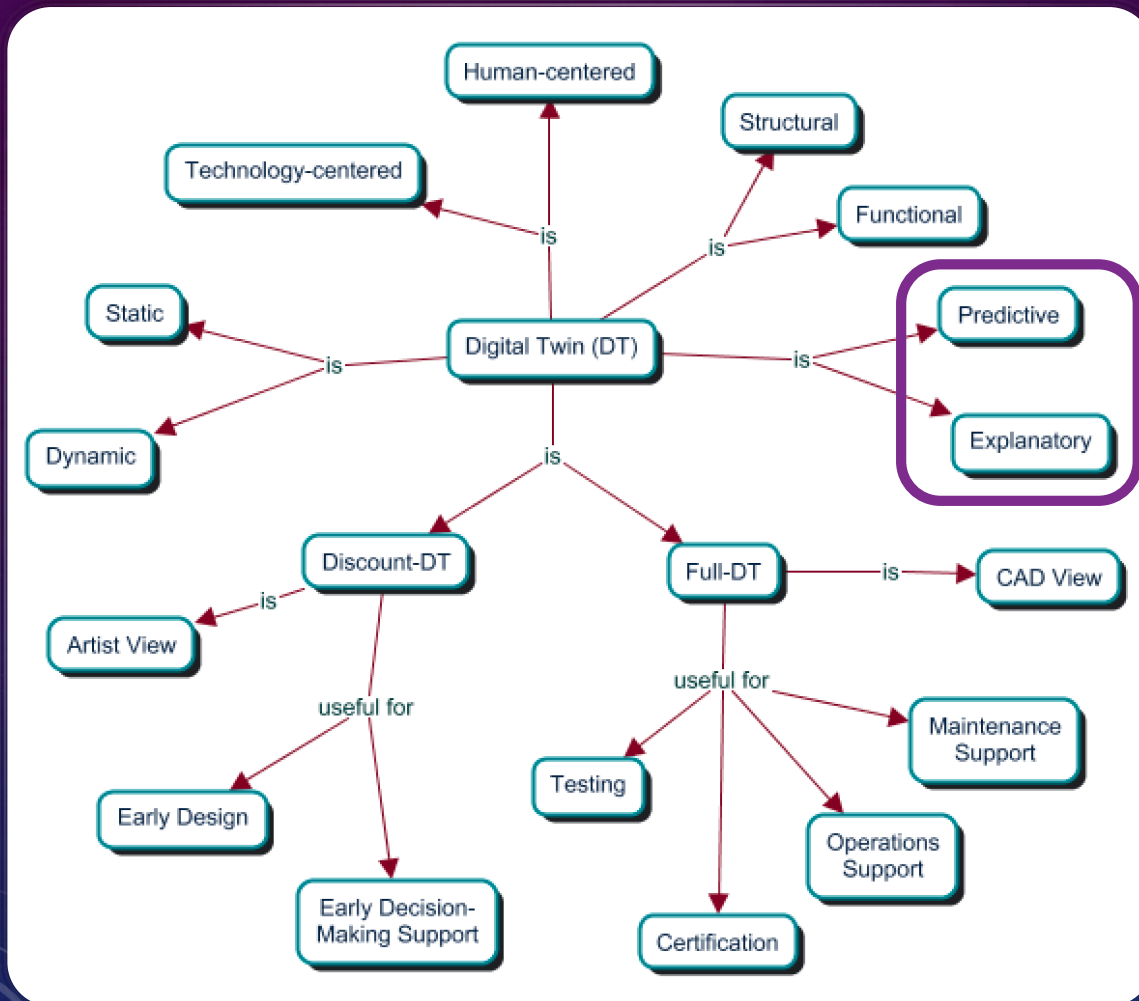
DIGITAL TWINS

- Extensions of models used in model-based systems engineering (MBSE)
- Documentation of the design process and the solutions developed (and those not chosen)
- Human-in-the-loop simulation support to engineering design (Virtual HCD)
- Active documentation to represent, simulate, and communicate on the system (traceability)

MB-HSI

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DIGITAL TWIN DEFINITION & PROPERTIES



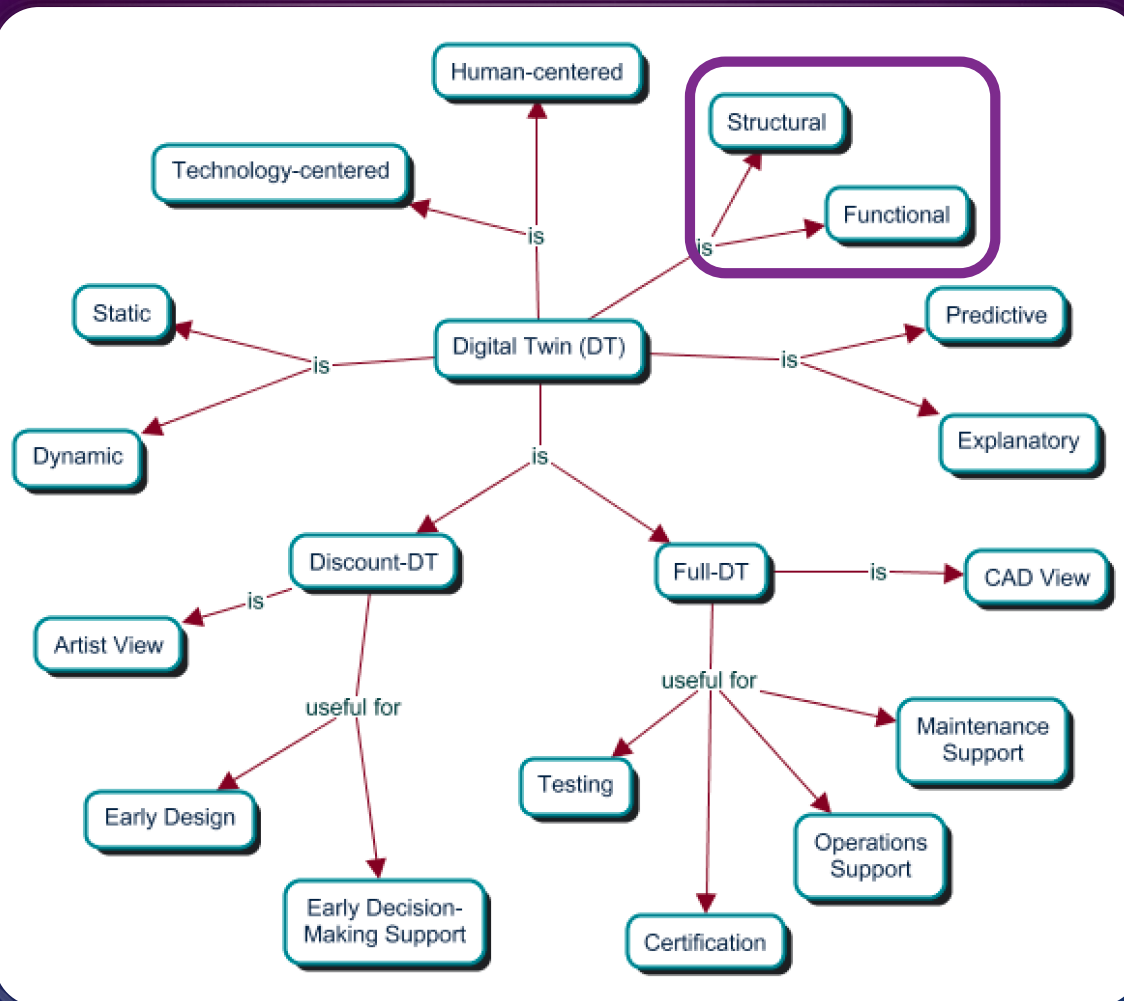
Predictive DT

very well-tested digital analog
simple & defined in a limited context
short-term, rigid and focused

Explanatory DT

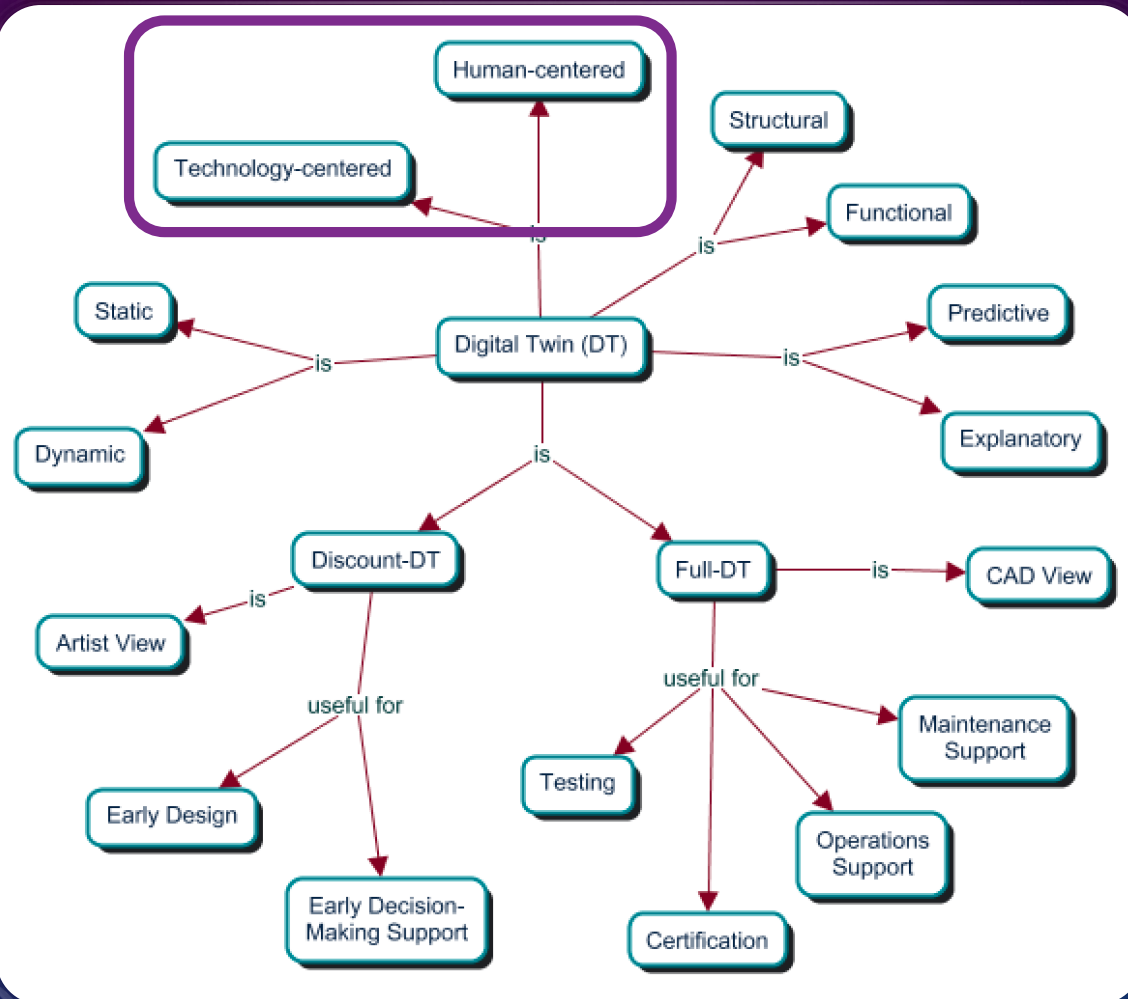
defined by an ontology of the domain
longer-term, flexible and generic
for analysis, design and evaluation
for documenting

DIGITAL TWIN DEFINITION & PROPERTIES



- system representation
- system visualization
- for function allocation

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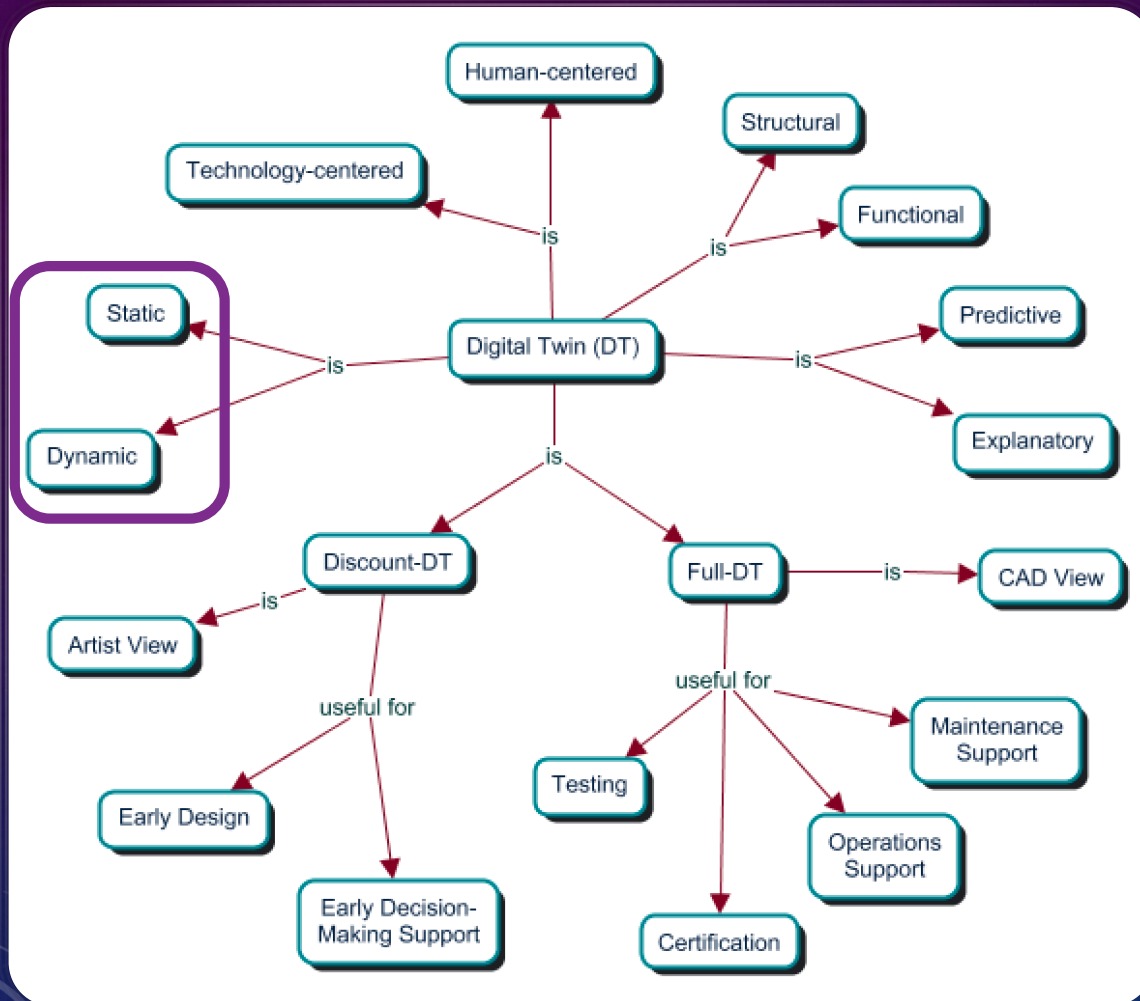


- recipient of RETEX information
- support for system performance
- for both system design and usages
- support traceability
- support logistics along the whole life cycle of a system

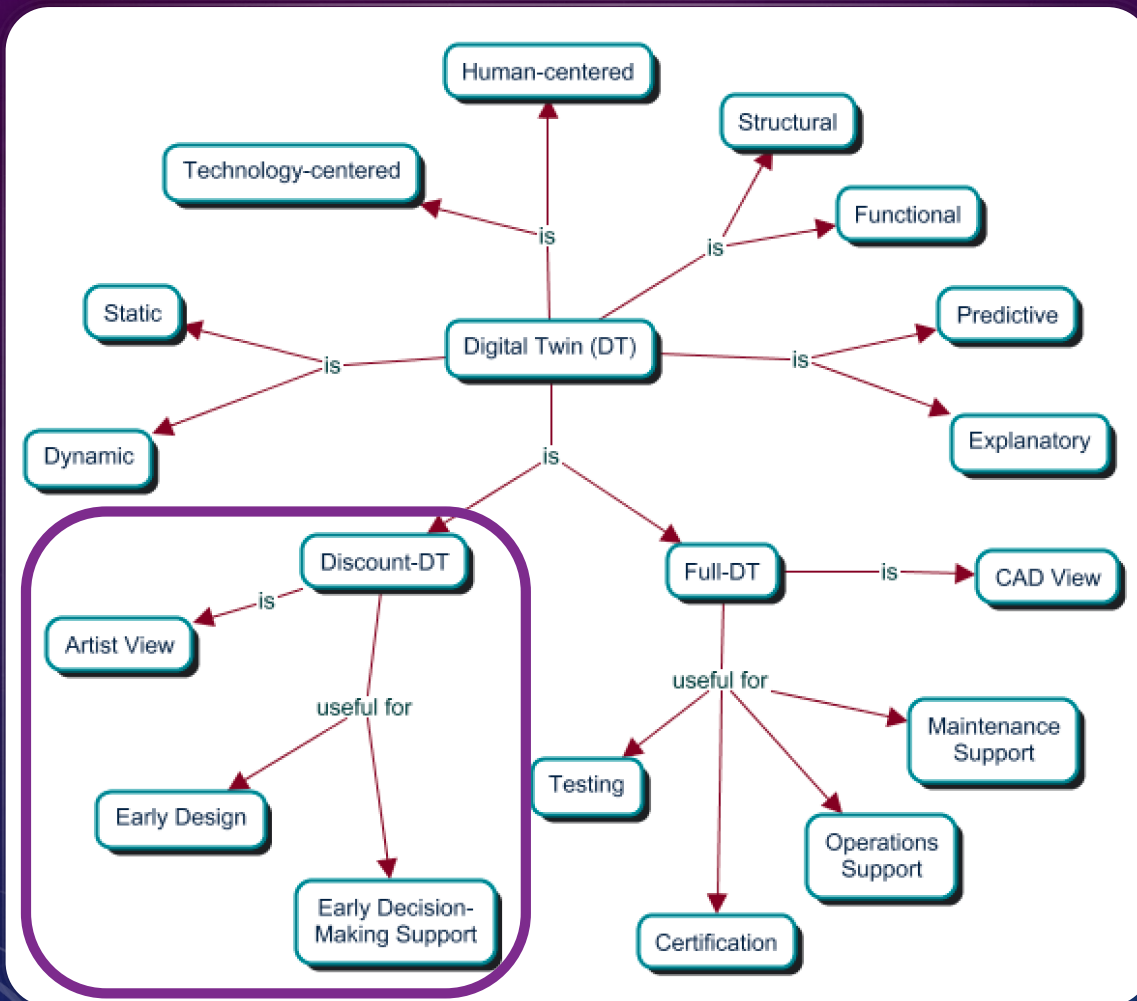
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System description
along system's life cycle

Active documentation
virtual HCD



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Design thinking support

vision support
mediating design support

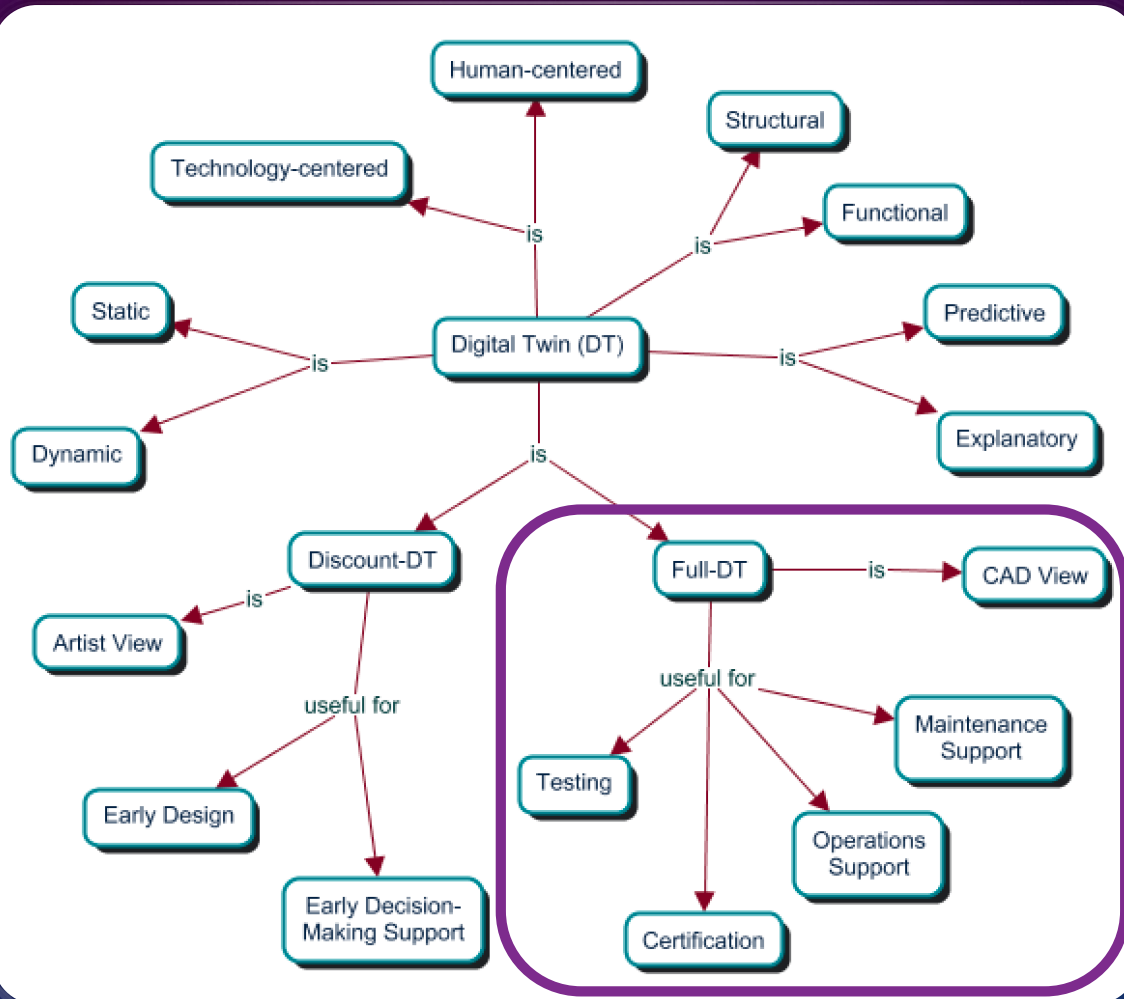
Human-in-the-loop simulation

activity analysis support
emergent functions discovery

Agile development support

creativity support
modification & validation support

DIGITAL TWIN DEFINITION & PROPERTIES



Formative evaluation

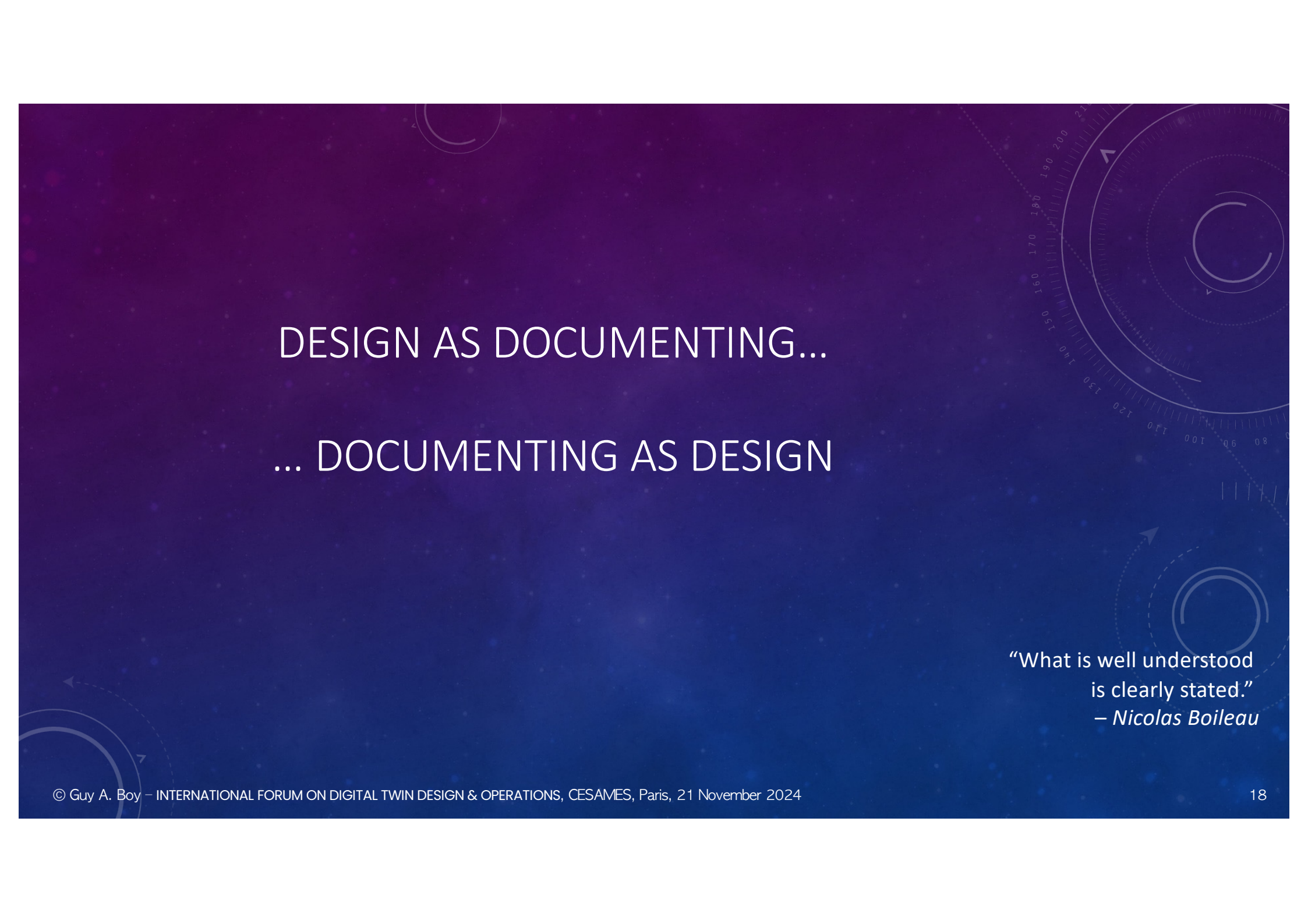
iterative design & development
scenario-based design support

Summative evaluation

validation
certification

Operations support

performance
maintenance

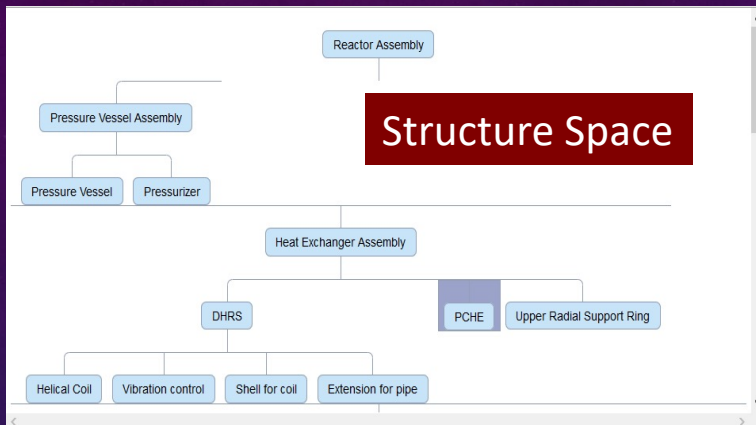


DESIGN AS DOCUMENTING...
... DOCUMENTING AS DESIGN

“What is well understood
is clearly stated.”
– *Nicolas Boileau*

ACTIVE DESIGN DOCUMENT (ADD)

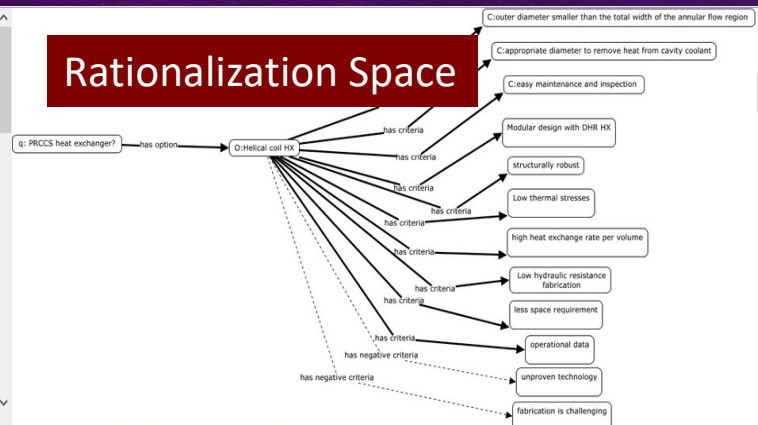
Structure Space	Rationalization Space
Activity Space	Function Space



Structure Space



Activity Space



Rationalization Space

chapter 3.6 piping and valves

PIPING AND INSULATION

Reactor coolant piping and fittings are made of stainless steel or are carbon steel clad with stainless steel. Carbon steel is used for the pressurizer relief line which connects the pressurizer safety and relief valves to the flanged nozzle on the pressurizer relief tank, and for the nitrogen supply, vent, and drain lines for the pressurizer relief tank. The pressurizer surge and spray lines, loop drains, and connections to other systems are of austenitic stainless steel. Except for the flanged pressurizer safety valve outlet nozzles, all joints and connections are welded. Thermal sleeves are installed where high thermal stresses could develop because of rapid changes in fluid temperature during transients.

Valves, piping, and equipment which are exposed to high temperatures are insulated with thermal insulation to reduce heat losses.

Insulation covering the piping and components of the reactor coolant system are designed to facilitate its removal for periodic in-service inspections.

Insulation used for the reactor coolant system is strictly specified to limit chlorides and other halogens.

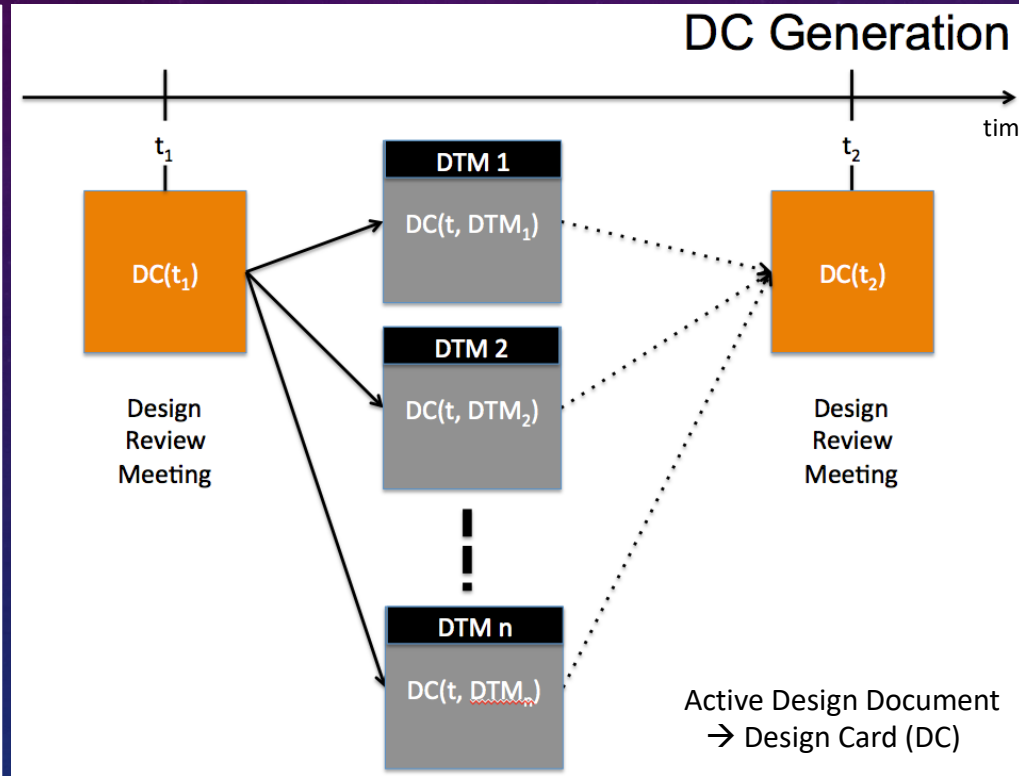
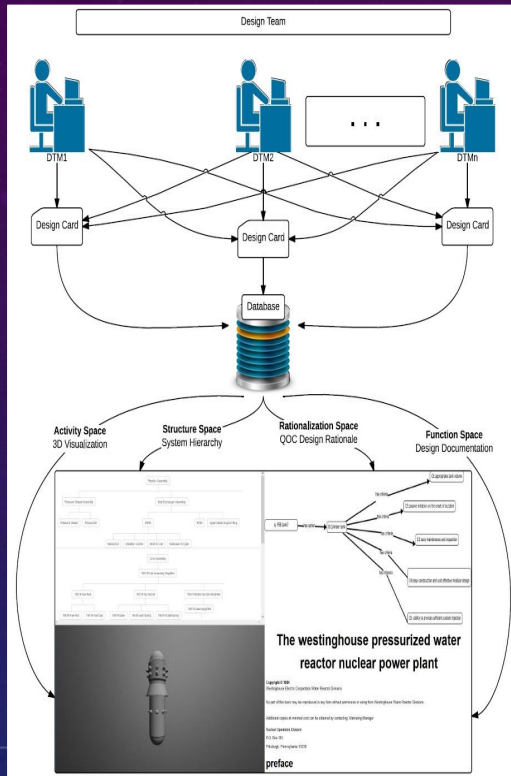
Reactor vessels are frequently insulated with reflective metal insulation systems.

Function Space

DIGITAL TWINS AS ACTIVE DESIGN DOCUMENTS

ACTIVE DESIGN DOCUMENT EVOLUTION

Structure Space	Rationalization Space
Activity Space	Function Space



DIGITAL TWINS
AS
ACTIVE
DESIGN
DOCUMENTS

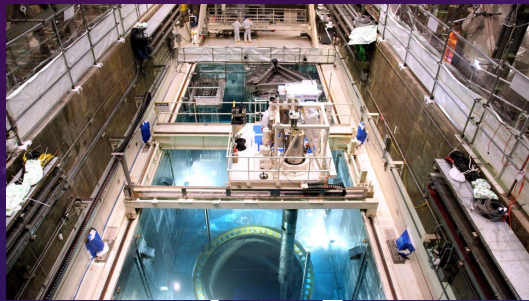
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INTEGRATION

FROM PURPOSE TO MEANS

FROM TANGIBLE TO VIRTUAL

Engineering



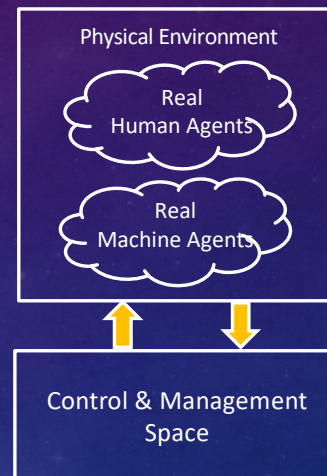
Ergonomics
Automation



Human
Factors



Tangible
Human-Centered Engineering



Inside-out

20th century
approach

Engineering
Ergonomics
HCI
Automation

Lots of documents

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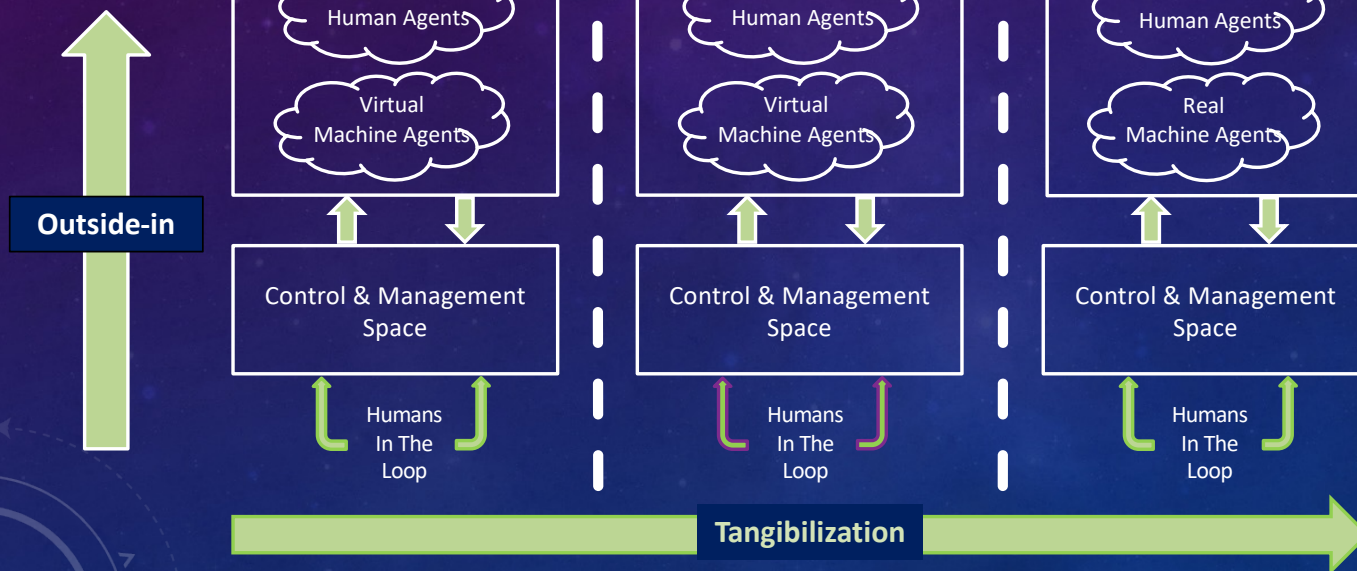
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FROM VIRTUAL TO TANGIBLE

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APPROACH

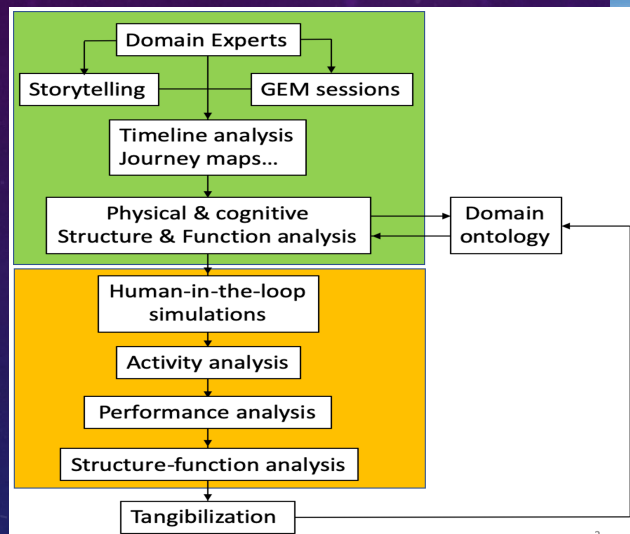
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OFF-SHORE OIL & GAS MULTI-AGENT TELEROBOTIC SYSTEMS

Using PRODEC method combined with HITLS

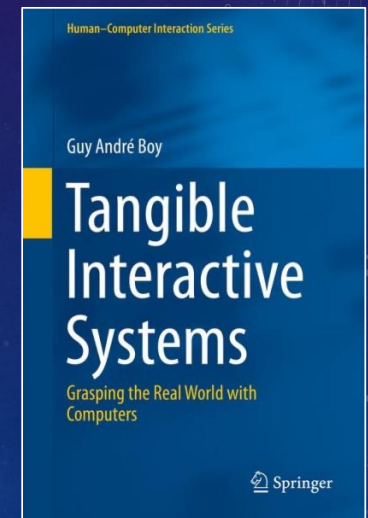


TANGIBILITY: SYSTEMIC ATTRIBUTES

- Complexity → separability, interconnectivity, collaboration, trust, ...
- Maturity → TRLs & HRLs & ORLs
- Flexibility (design & operations) → safety nodes, reversibility, FlexTech, ...
- Stability/Resilience → passive vs. active, resilience, crisis management, ...
- Sustainability → design rationale, knowledge management, ...

+ Social Factors

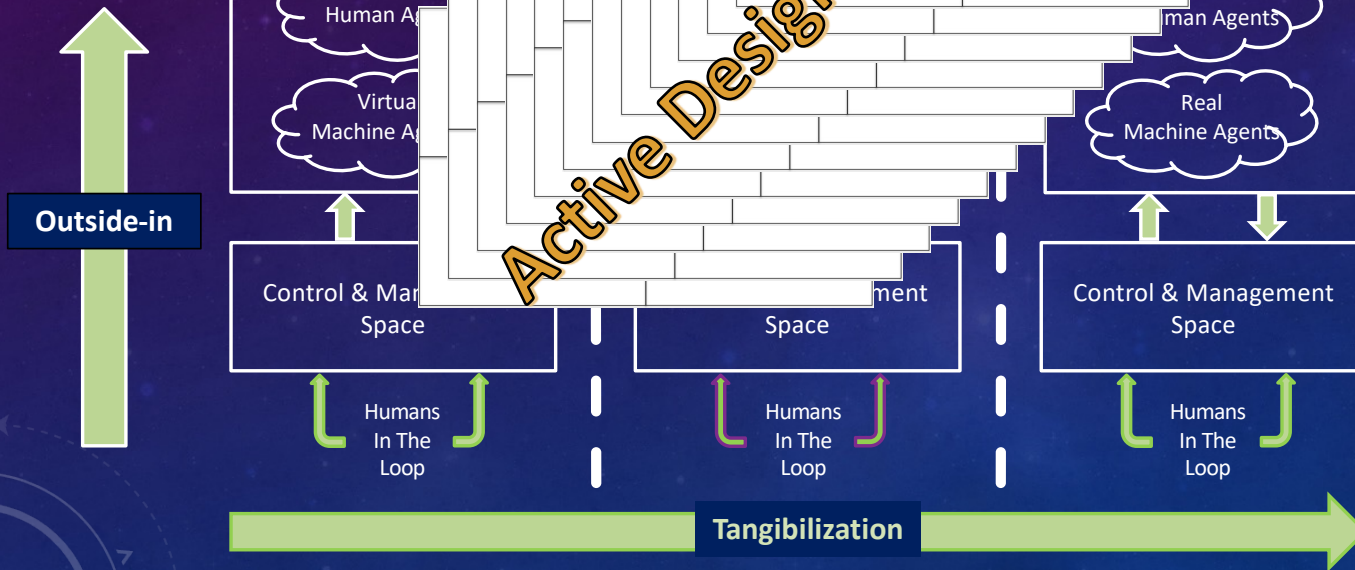
Shared situation awareness
Cooperative decision-making
Harmonized risk taking
Trust and collaboration



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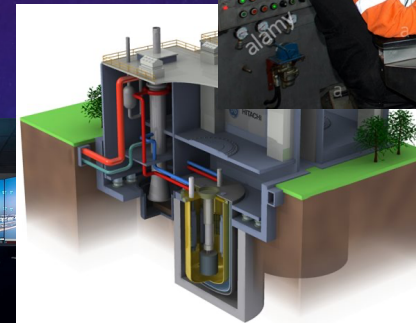
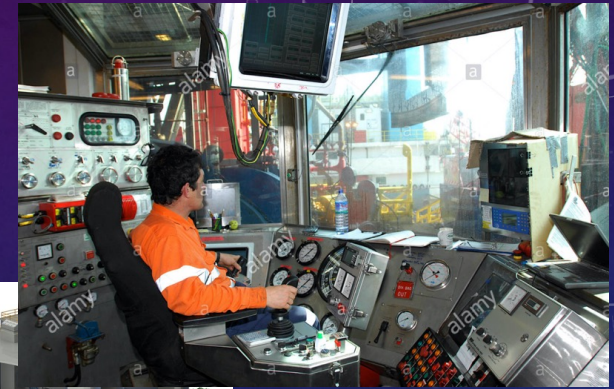
Digital Engineering
Tangibility Management

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A FEW EXAMPLES OF HSI RESEARCH

- Health sociotechnical system
- Future combat air system
- Virtual air traffic control tower
- Small nuclear reactor
- Oil-and-gas telerobotics
- ...



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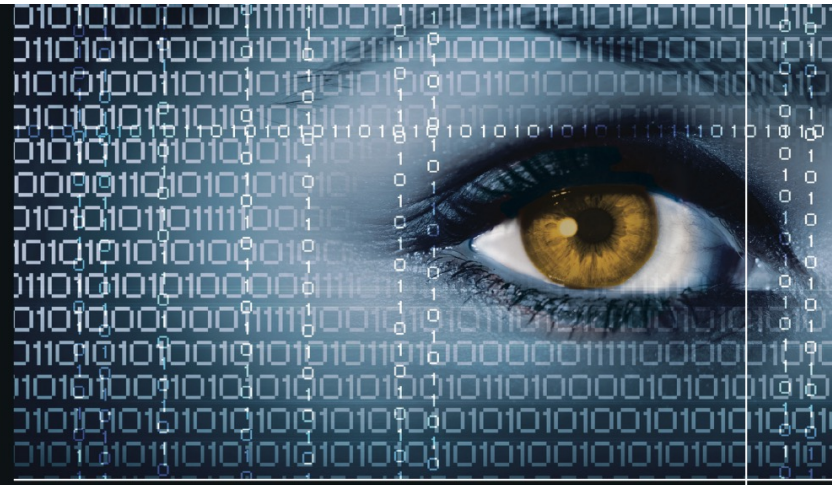
A FEW TAKE-AWAYS... FOR DIGITAL TWINS FOR HSI...

- We live in a digital world → **tangibility** is a crucial contemporary issue
- Single-agent ergonomics is not enough → **Socio-ergonomics** using DTs (holistic approach)
- Rigid automation is what we know → **Flexible autonomy** is what we need to make using DTs
- How do we deal with the unexpected? → **problem-solving support** using DTs
- From means to purpose (people adapt) → **From purpose to means** (DTs help solving problems)
- Human-machine teaming → what **new human roles**?

Collaborative work requires **education, openness, empathy** and **enthusiasm!**

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From Virtual to Tangible

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This is an attempt to better formalize a systemic approach to HSI. Good HSI is a matter of maturity... it takes time to mature. It takes time for a human being to become autonomous, and then mature! HSI is a matter of human-machine teaming, where human-machine cooperation and coordination are crucial. We cannot think engineering design without considering people and organizations that go with it. We also cannot think new technology, new organizations and new jobs without considering change management, especially in digital organizations.

The book will be of interest to industry, academia, those involved with systems engineering, human factors and the broader public.

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- Discusses flexibility in design and operations of complex systems
- Offers tangibility of software-intensive systems
- Presents virtual human-centered design
- Covers autonomous complex systems
- Provides human factors and ergonomics of sociotechnical systems

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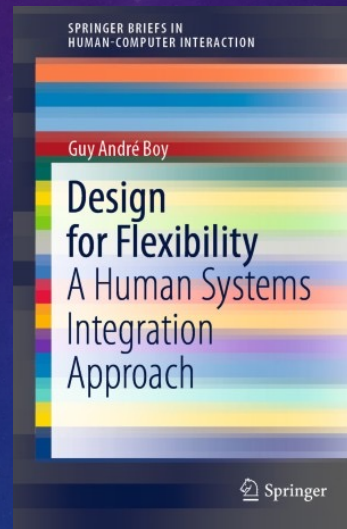
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