

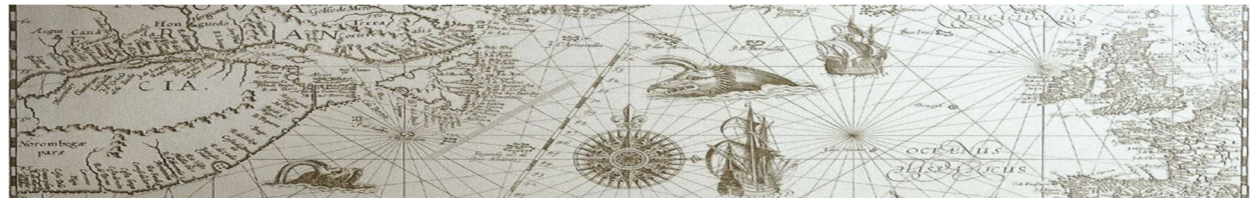
# SEAMLESS SYSTEMS ENGINEERING & LIFECYCLE MANAGEMENT

# THE PROBLEM OF ENGINEERING AI-BASED SYSTEMS



Engineering these?

we might well be in  
terra incognita

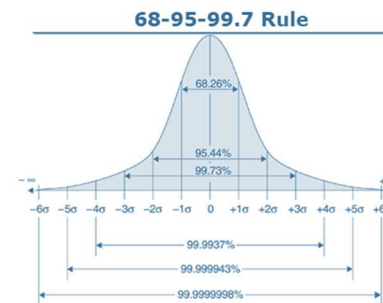


# > THE PROBLEM OF ENGINEERING AI-BASED SYSTEMS



## High Tech Industry

Cannot analyse adaptive control with unknown limits or functional gestalt



> 6Sigma Requirements @ ASML

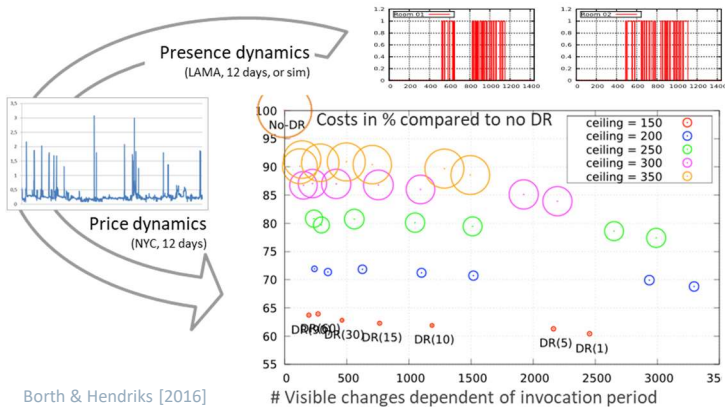
Cannot simulate on necessary level of detail

Can absolutely not solve this by trial and error on site

# THE PROBLEM OF ENGINEERING AI-BASED SYSTEMS

## Emergence

Smart Demand-Response links independent dynamics.  
Cannot foresee behavior impact



Borth & Hendriks [2016]

## Smart Buildings



# THE PROBLEM OF ENGINEERING AI-BASED SYSTEMS

## Autonomous Systems

@ IVS :: AI4Safety | Safety4AI



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Cannot validate and verify systems with adaptive behavior based on AI that acts within an open world

as long as it remains unclear how AI edge cases and errors transverse through the functional chains

as long as it remains unclear how AI risks manifest

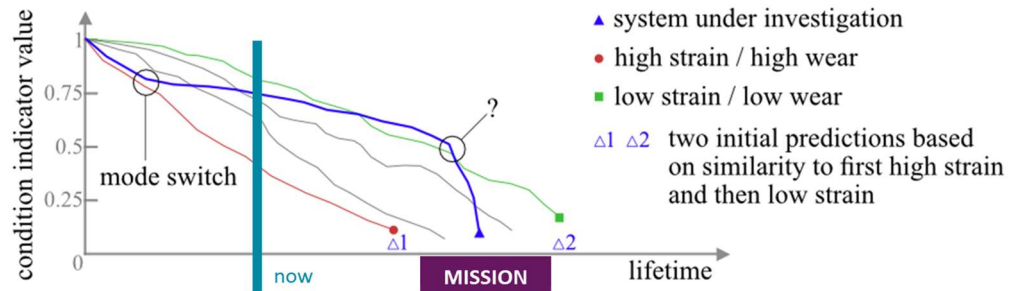
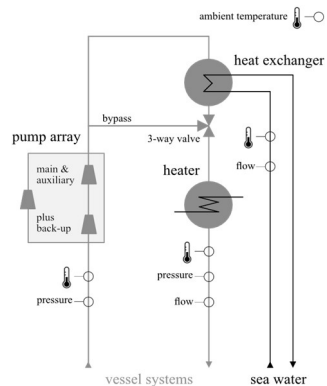
# THE PROBLEM OF ENGINEERING AI-BASED SYSTEMS



Cannot trust known techniques for preventive maintenance

**Autonomous Systems**

with adaptive behavior hiding degradation, invalidating KPIs and other knowledge



# THE PROBLEM OF ENGINEERING AI-BASED SYSTEMS



## Self-learning Systems

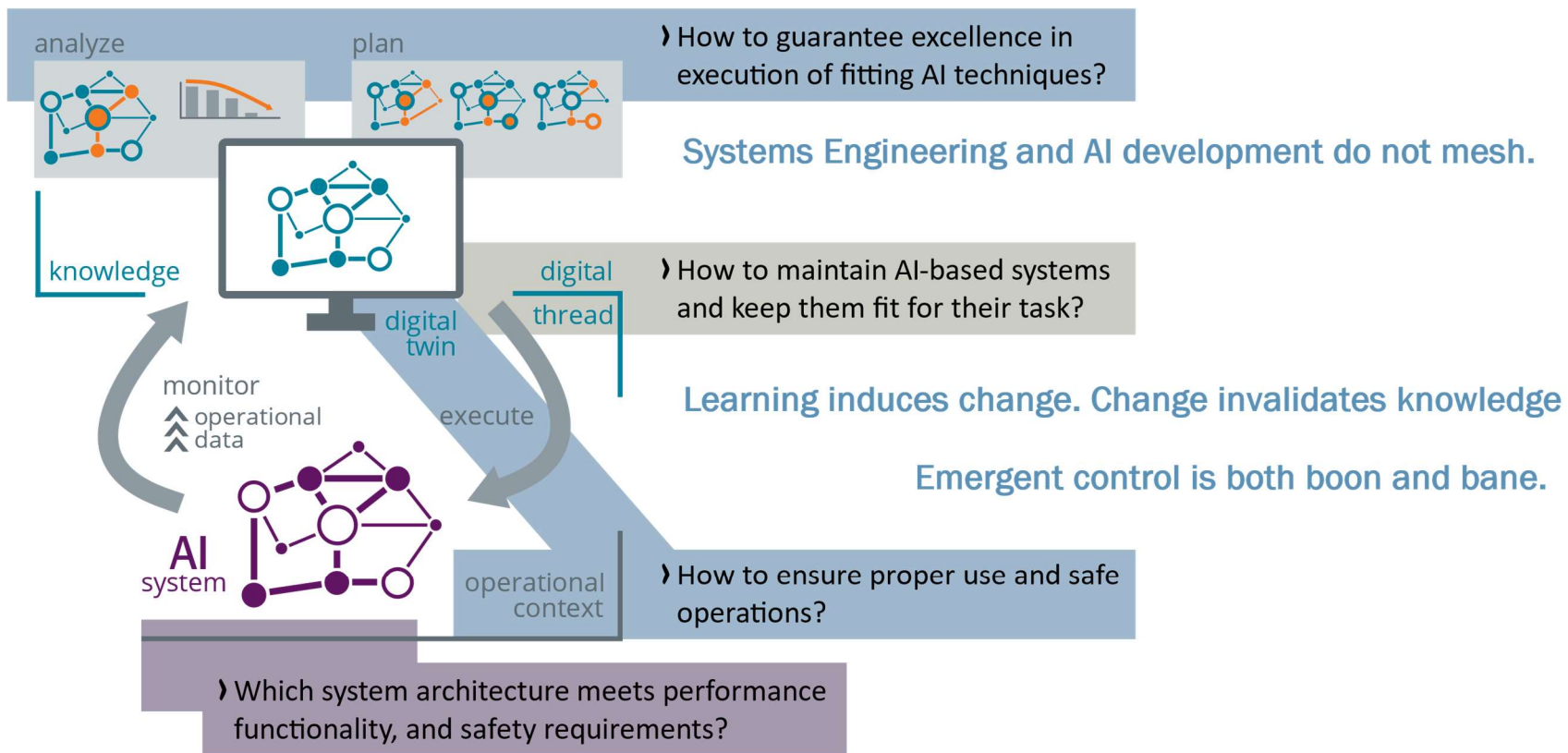
One fundamental difference between the approaches of, e.g., Google and Mercedes is what the system is allowed to learn.

Behavior and systems' state space depends on feedback cycles and the driving reward.

Learning and control engineering favor the opposite.  
We understand interwoven loops only for simple systems.

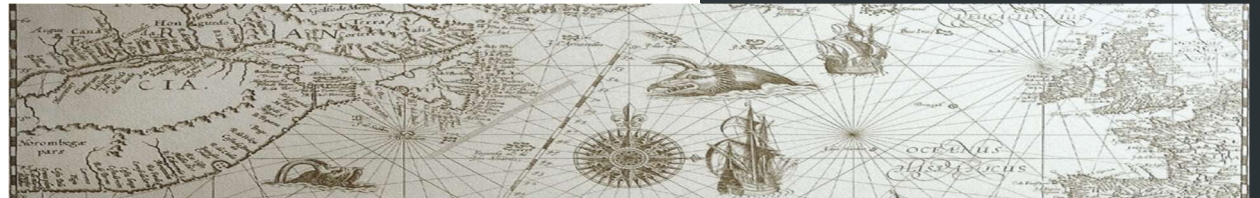


# › THE WICKED PROBLEM OF ENGINEERING AI-BASED SYSTEMS





# › **A STEP TOWARD THE ART AND SCIENCE OF ENGINEERING AI-BASED SYSTEMS**



**My Time I will not refuse;  
My Thought I will not grudge;**

**My Care I will not deny towards the honor, use, stability and  
perfection of any works to which I may be called to set my hand.**





Safe, autonomous systems in an open world

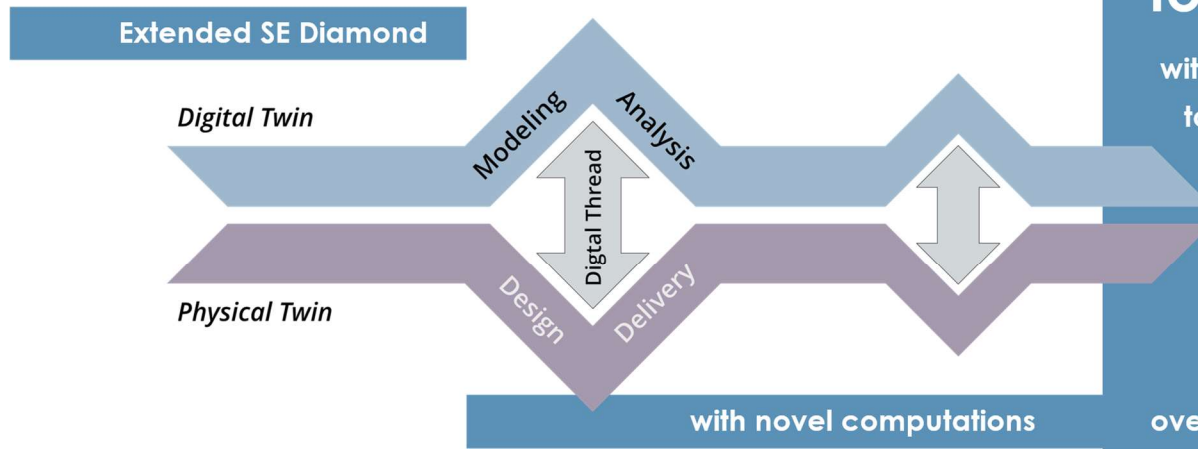
Responsible decision-making between humans and machines

AI Systems Engineering & Lifecycle Management :: SELM

SEAMLESS :: flagship project

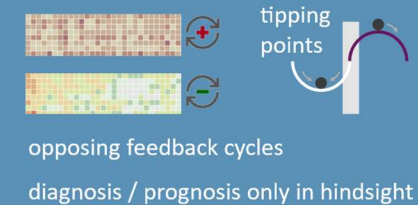


# SEAMLESS LIFECYCLE ENGINEERING OF AI-BASED SYSTEMS

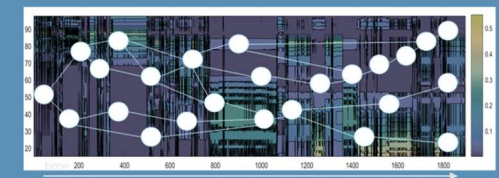


## System Engineering for the full lifecycle

with Digital Twin & Digital Thread ops tackling dragons in terra incognita

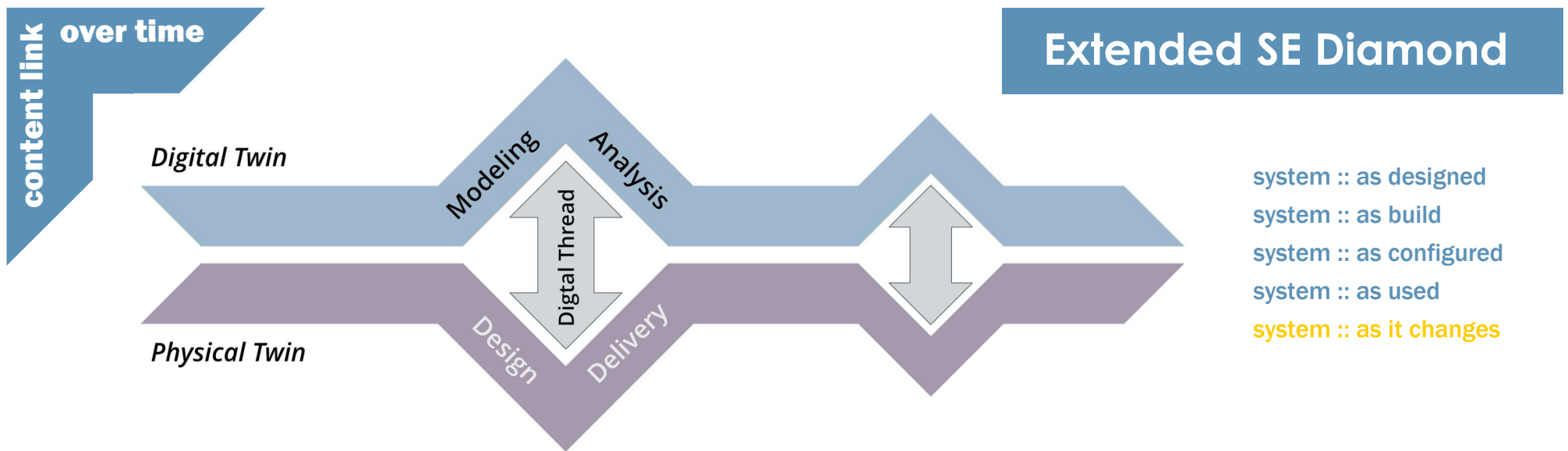


over time in probabilistic fields



for major engineering tasks within  
Design | Validation | Maintenance

# SEAMLESS :: WHAT SEAMLESS ENGINEERING USES



integrated use of digital twins and digital threads for both the design process and the system operation

# SEAMLESS :: WHAT A SEAMLESS COMPUTE MODEL LOOKS LIKE

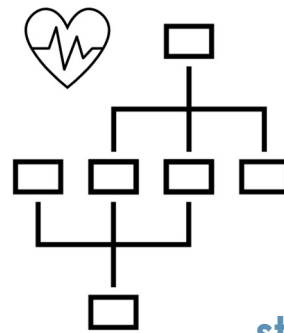
a notion of fitness

within an operational context

the ability to perform and to last  
within a given context

novel *computational* model:

a probabilistic estimation of a system's  
current and future capabilities  
to perform efficiently and effectively  
to reach set goals given a dynamic environment



stems from design yet focused on validation,  
offering concurrent online assessments  
suitable for predictive lifecycle management

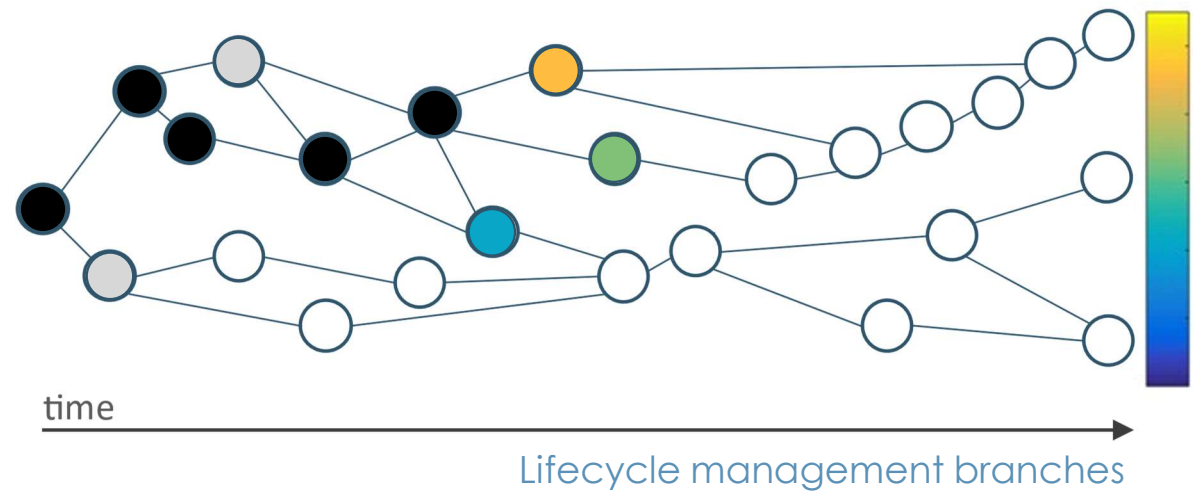
# SEAMLESS :: WHAT A SEAMLESS COMPUTE MODEL DOES

a notion of fitness

over time in probabilistic fields

Factors and triggers for change  
Likelihood of change  
Expected effects of change  
on behavior, system, context

reason about change



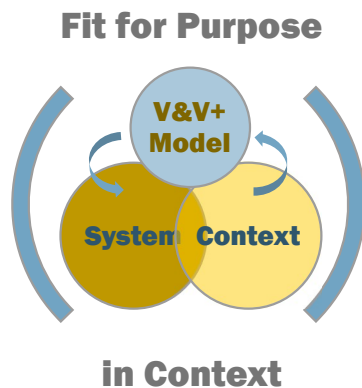
# SEAMLESS :: WHAT SEAMLESS SEES AS CRITICAL LINK

## Causality of AI Performance

impact model on AI behavior with  
AI FMAE Risk Assessment

## Fit for Purpose Analysis and Prediction

based on a dual WHY  
always safe & fit to perform



designed | deployed | operated | maintained

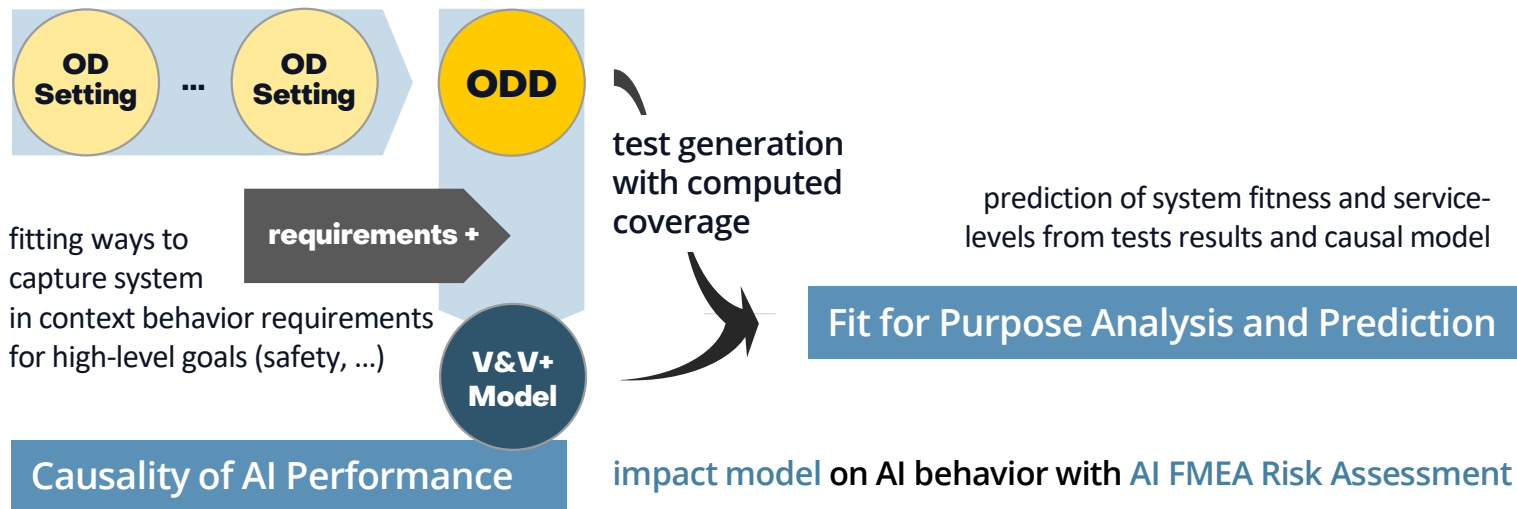
changing

For AI-based systems that learn and act within their open context ::

Assure that the system is working correctly

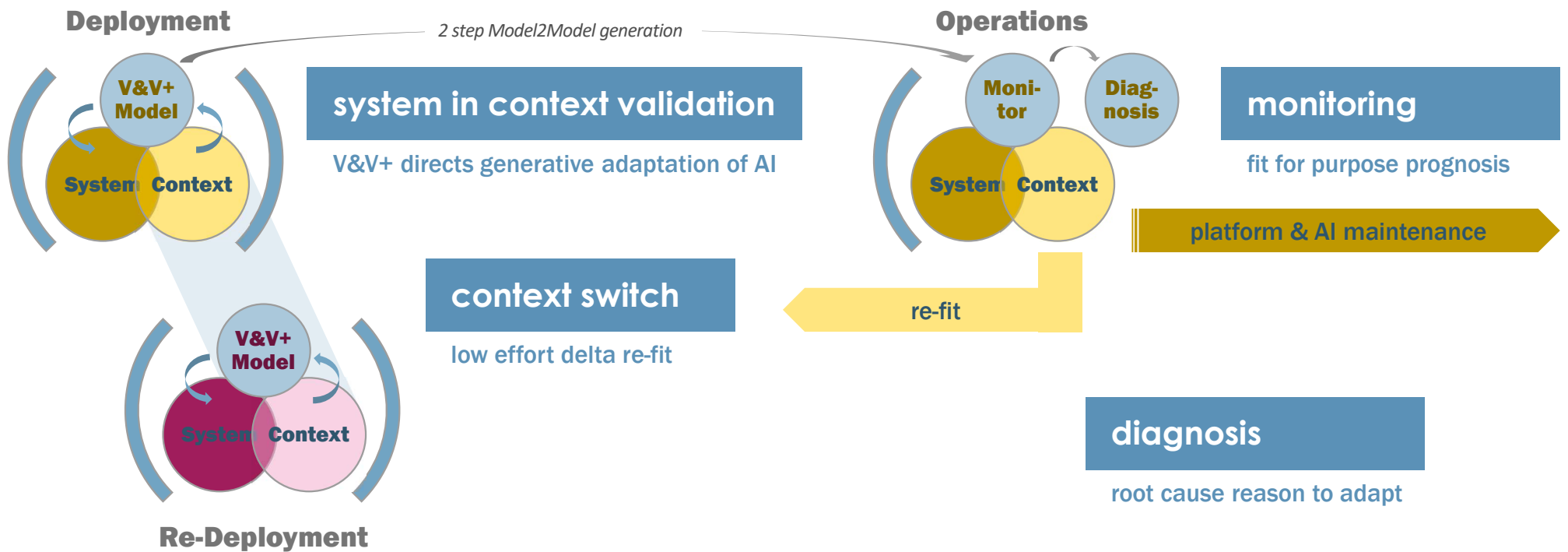
# SEAMLESS :: WHAT SEAMLESS ENABLES FOR VALIDATION & VERIFICATION

Parametrized description of Operational Design Domain and methodology to generate it





# SEAMLESS :: WHAT SEAMLESS ENABLES OVER THE SYSTEM LIFECYCLE



# SEAMLESS :: USER STORIES IDENTIFY RESEARCH FOCI



**Claire, 31, PhD Computer Science, MSc System Engineering**  
**Lifecycle Manager AI Systems at Smooth Automotivics in AMS**

new position, established for robots-as-a-service between worlds: old problems on new tech

started as Spinoff, tried to outfit and sell 80 SPOTS with AI for industrial inspections. Found that it takes tailored solutions; shifted to service-oriented business mode.



**Mindset**

Wishes for high grade of automation, wants to be informed well in advance if extra actions are needed, likes smooth DevOps pipelines and wants similar for her tasks

Pet peeves: AI guys do not get business concerns, rest of company assumes business as usual

**Drivers**

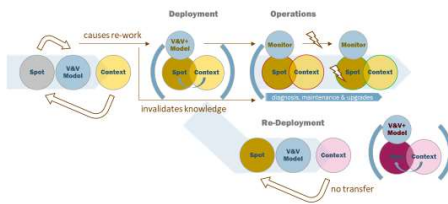
TCO after sales due to robots-as-a-service business reliable ops for customer satisfaction fast SPOT retro-fitting for minimal down time and €

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## SEAMLESS :: WP4 CLAIRE'S USER STORY | CURRENT PAIN POINTS

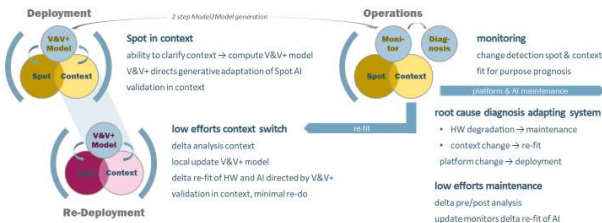


- Use beyond specs**  
Claire cannot ensure continuous performance, if SPOT keeps changing.
- Invalid indicators**  
Monitoring is based on stability that is not given.
- Expensive to re-AI**  
Best performance comes at the cost of a full AI-re-do.
- No longer optimal**  
The system tuned itself to a state that is removed.



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TNO innovation for life



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# WHAT ABOUT YOU?