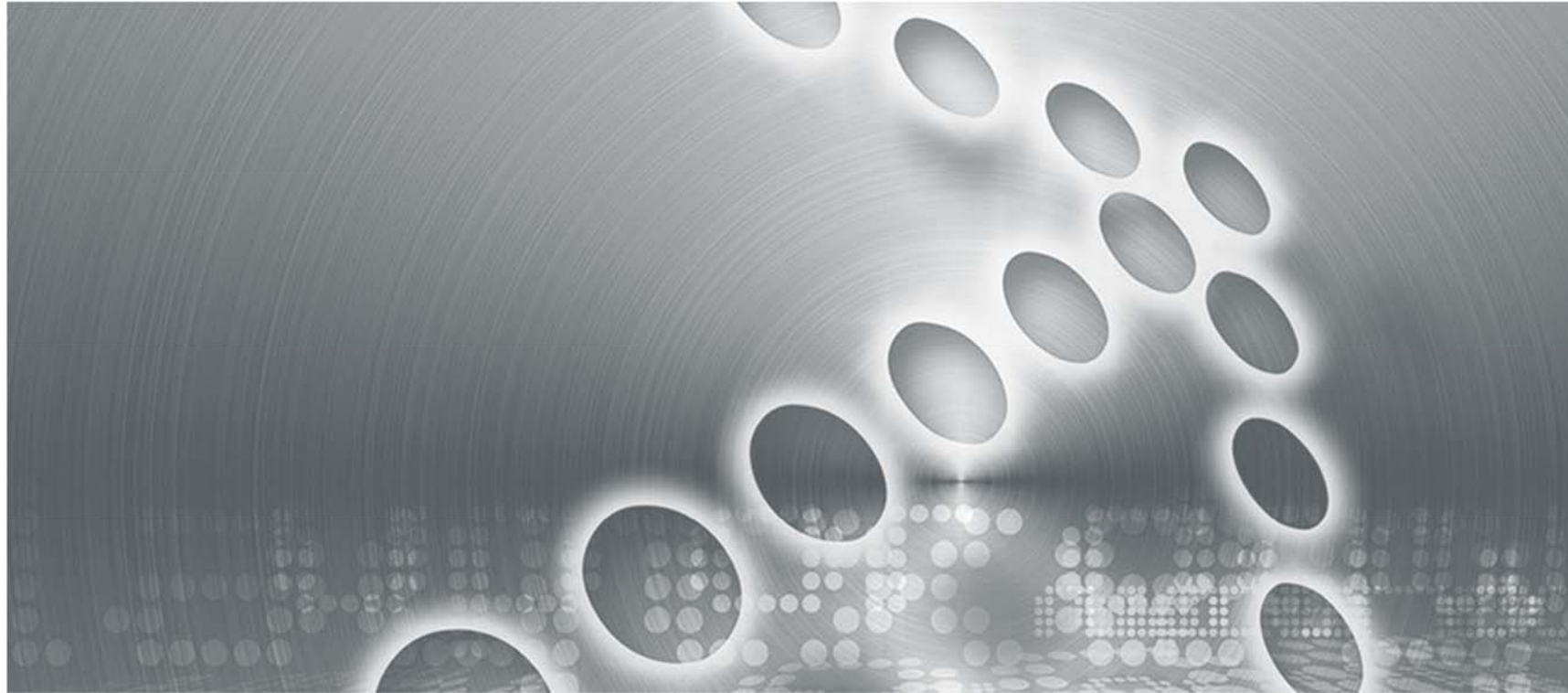


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# Agile Systems Engineering

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Ford



- ▶ 62 plants worldwide
- ▶ 200 markets
- ▶ 203,000 employees, 53,000 in Europe
- ▶ \$136 billion revenues, \$ 29 billion in Europe
- ▶ 6.3 million vehicle units, 1.4 million in Europe
- ▶ \$ 5.5 billion expenses for engineering, research and development



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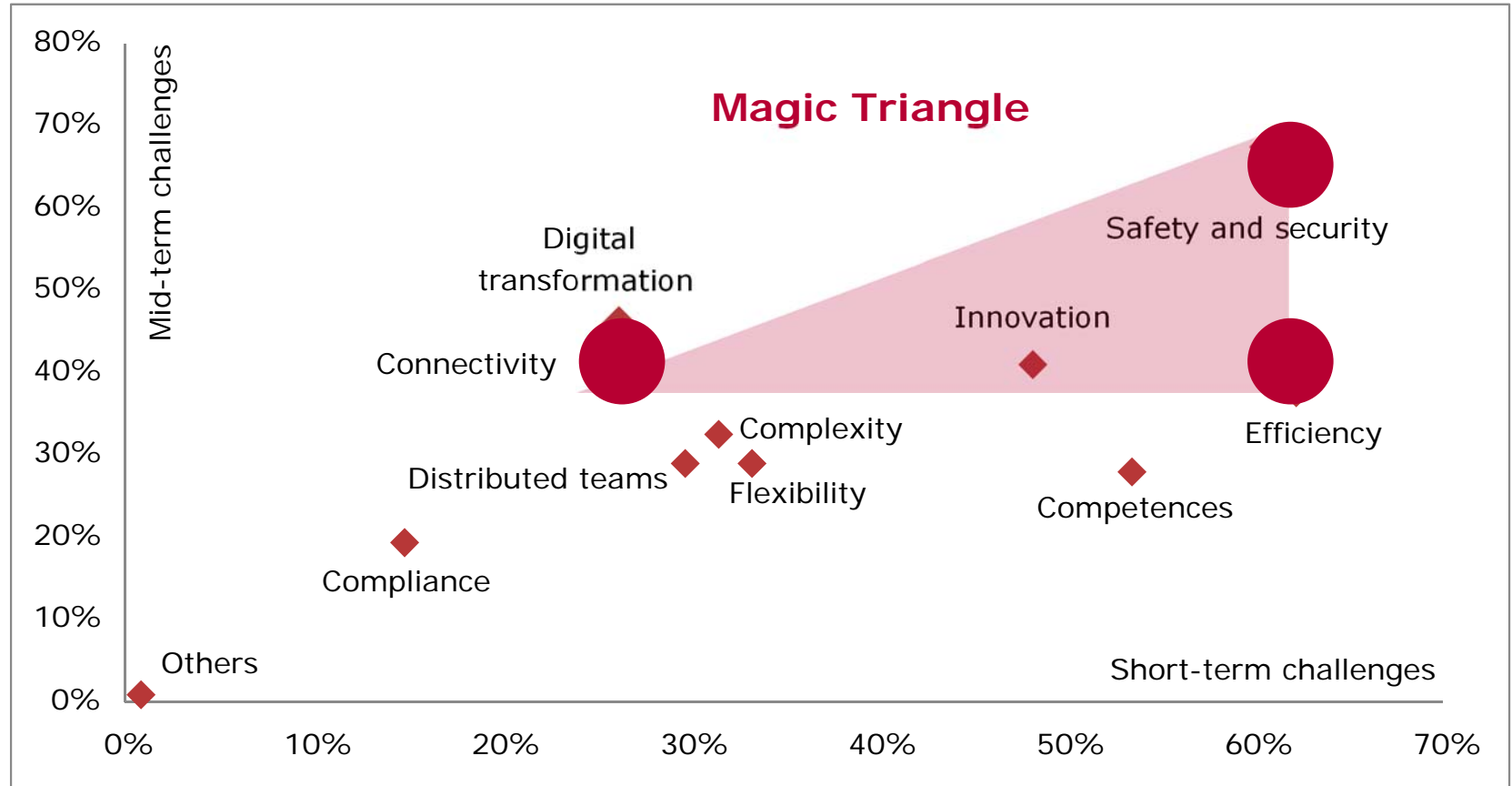
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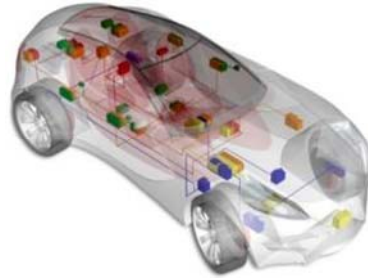
## Industry Challenges 2018



Vector Client Survey 2018. Details: [www.vector.com/trends](http://www.vector.com/trends). Horizontal axis shows short-term challenges; vertical axis shows mid-term challenges. Sum > 200% due to 5 answers per question. Strong validity with >4% response rate of 2000 recipients from different industries worldwide.

**Quality and Cost** are the biggest short-term challenges across industries.  
**Connectivity and Digital Transformation** evolved as a major challenge.

## Challenge: Connectivity



Devices

Systems

Infrastructure

1980

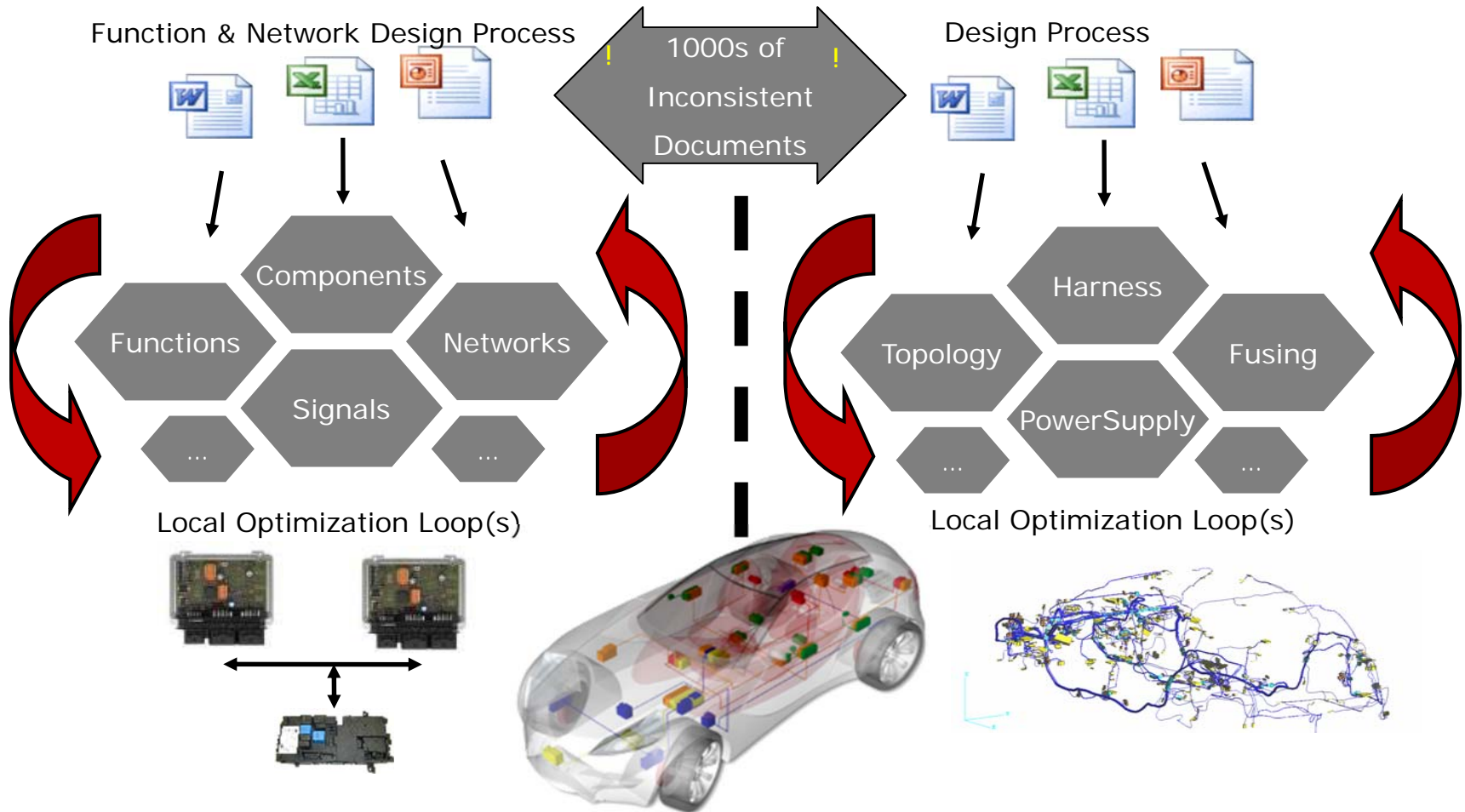
2000

2020

**Need: Systematic dependency management**

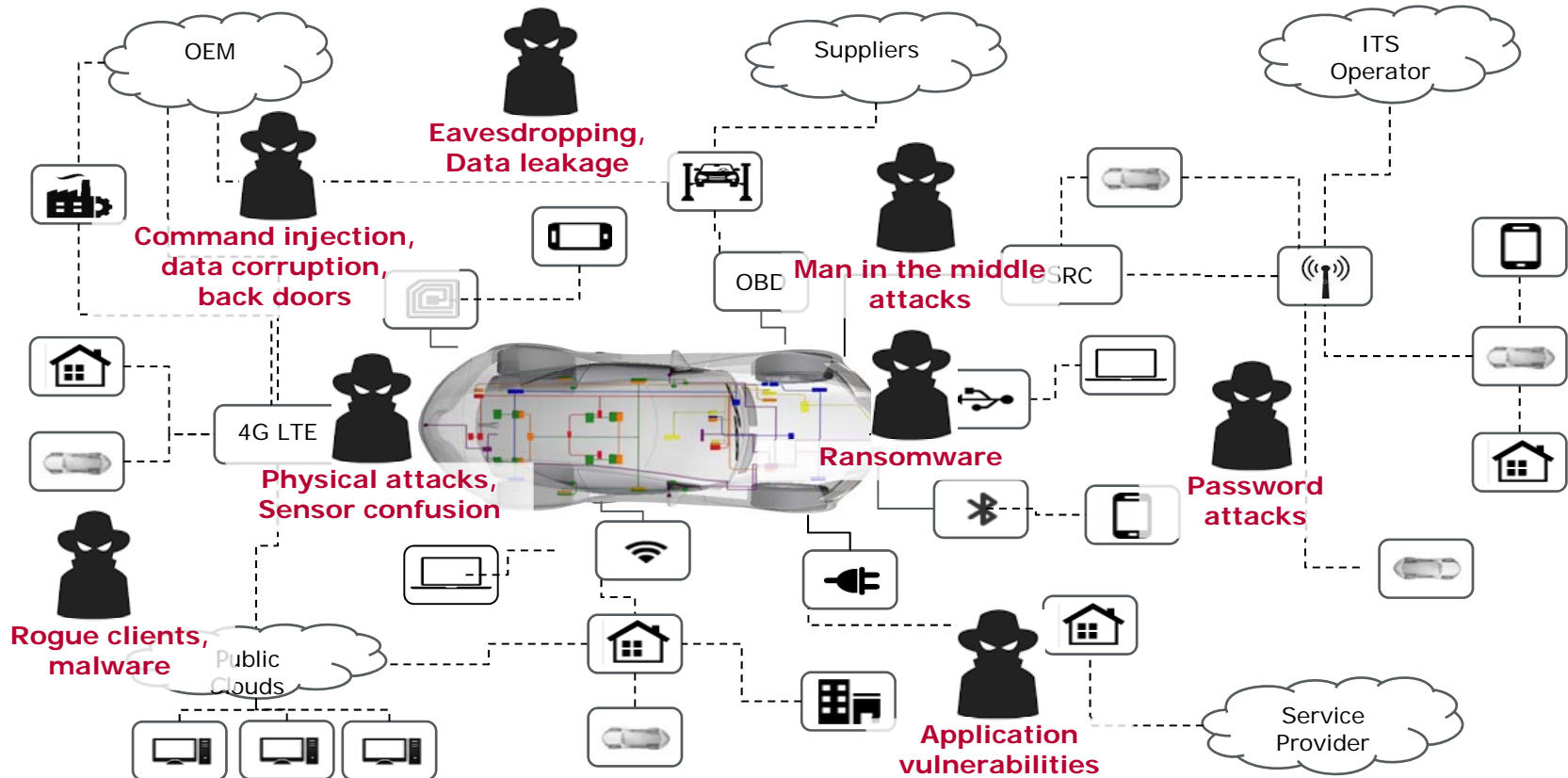


## Challenge: Heterogeneity



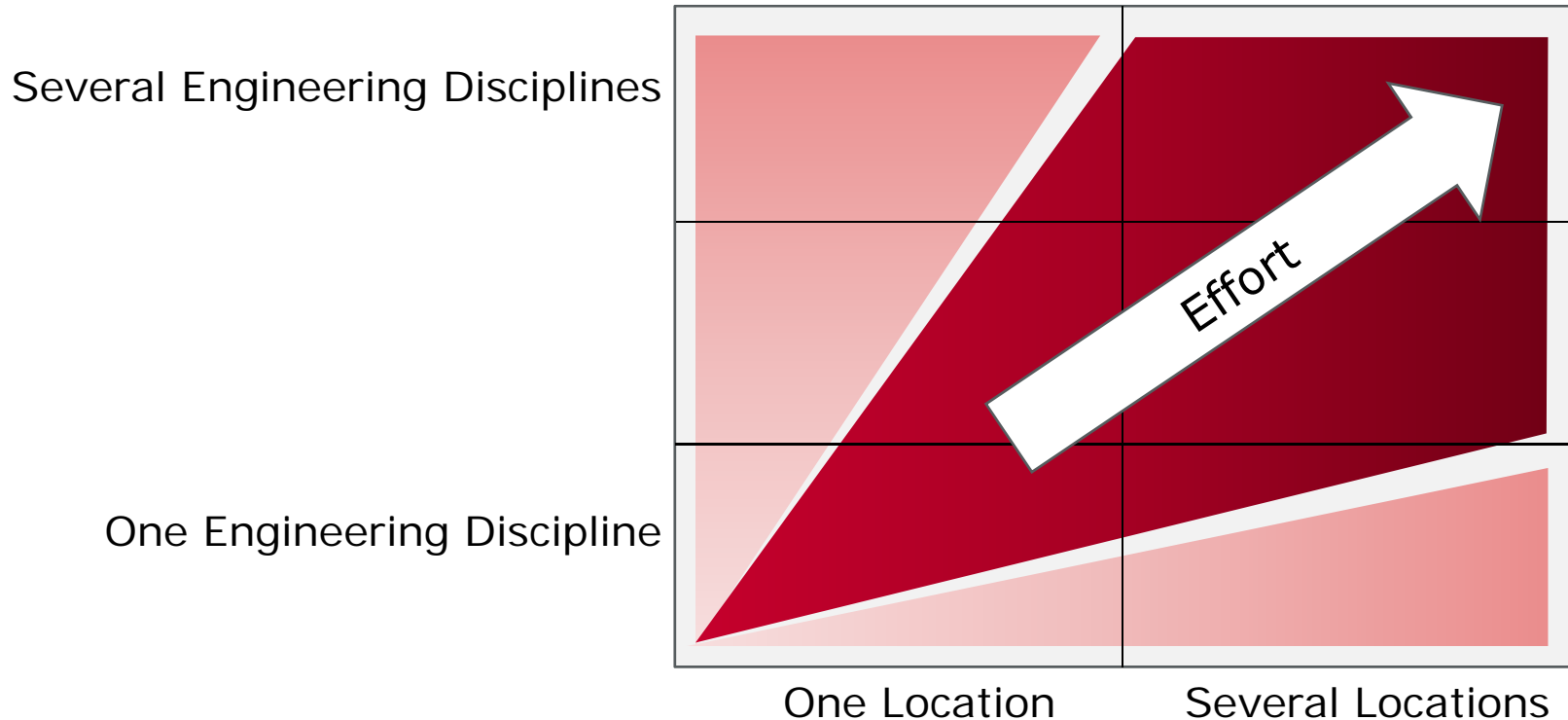
**Need: System level cost optimization**

## Challenge: Cyber Security



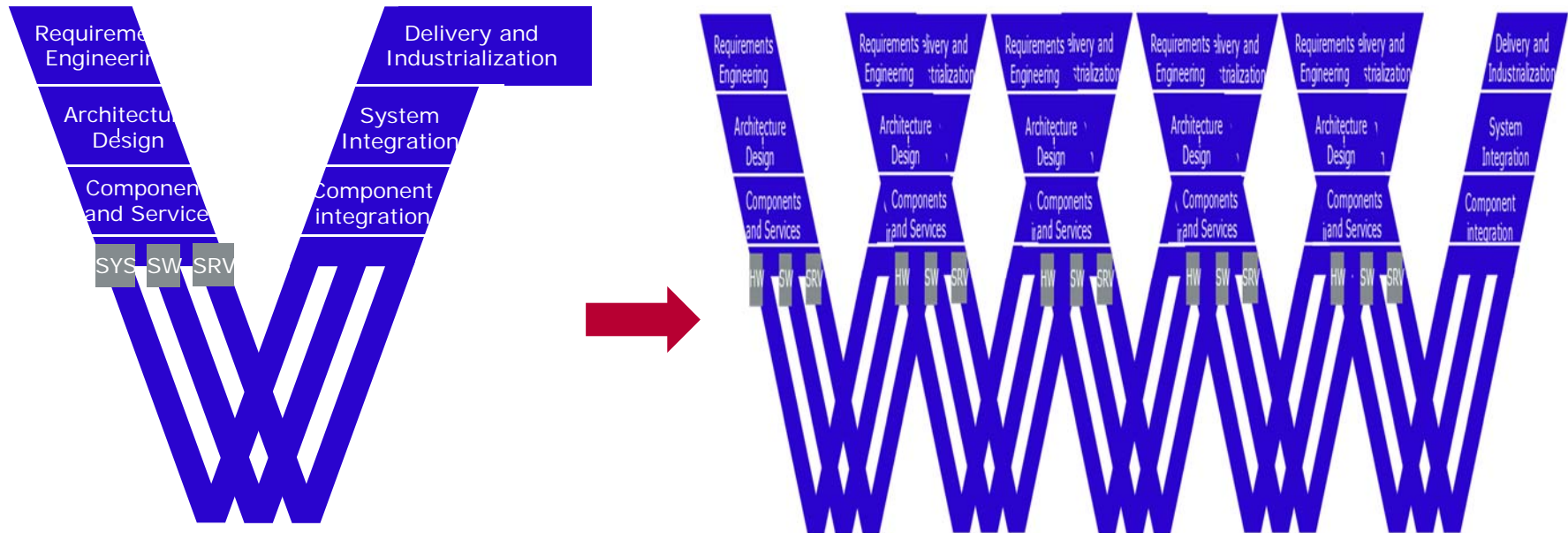
**Need: Robust systems engineering for cyber security threats**

## Challenge: Global Collaboration



**Need:** Orchestrating distributed engineering  
across locations and disciplines

## Challenge: Interdependencies



**Need:** Agile development and alignment of systems engineering, software/IT/EE and services



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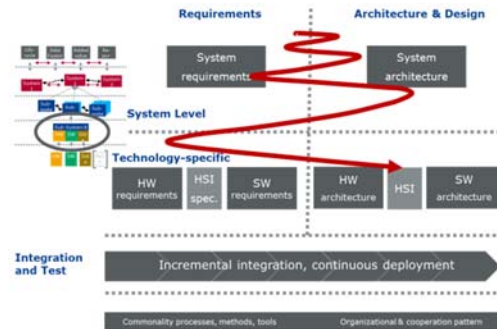
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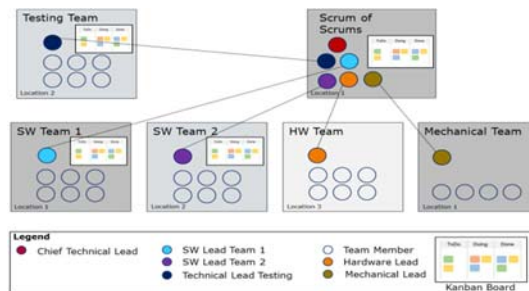
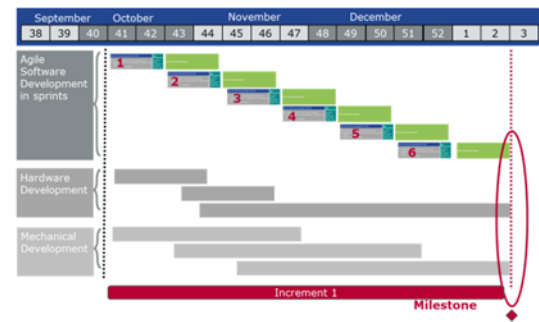
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# Levers for Agile Systems Engineering

## Quality and Efficiency

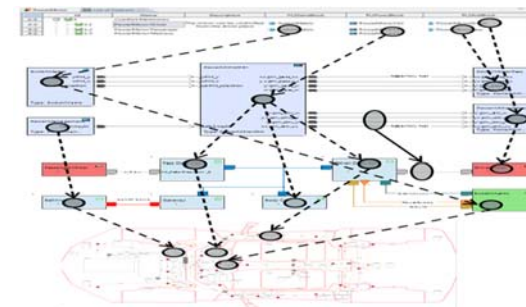


## Agile Techniques

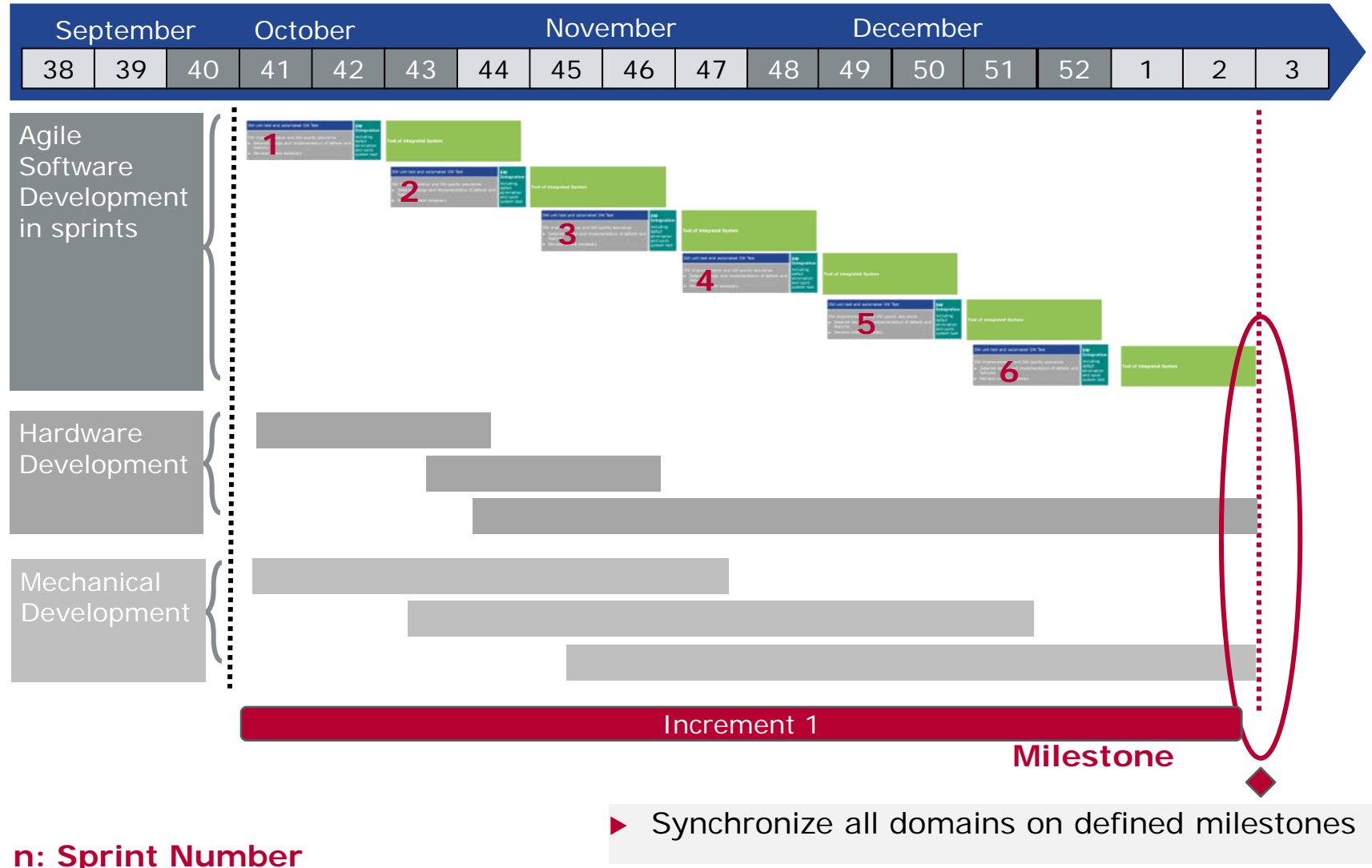


## Collaboration and Cooperation

## Modeling and Simulation



## Lever 1: Agile Techniques



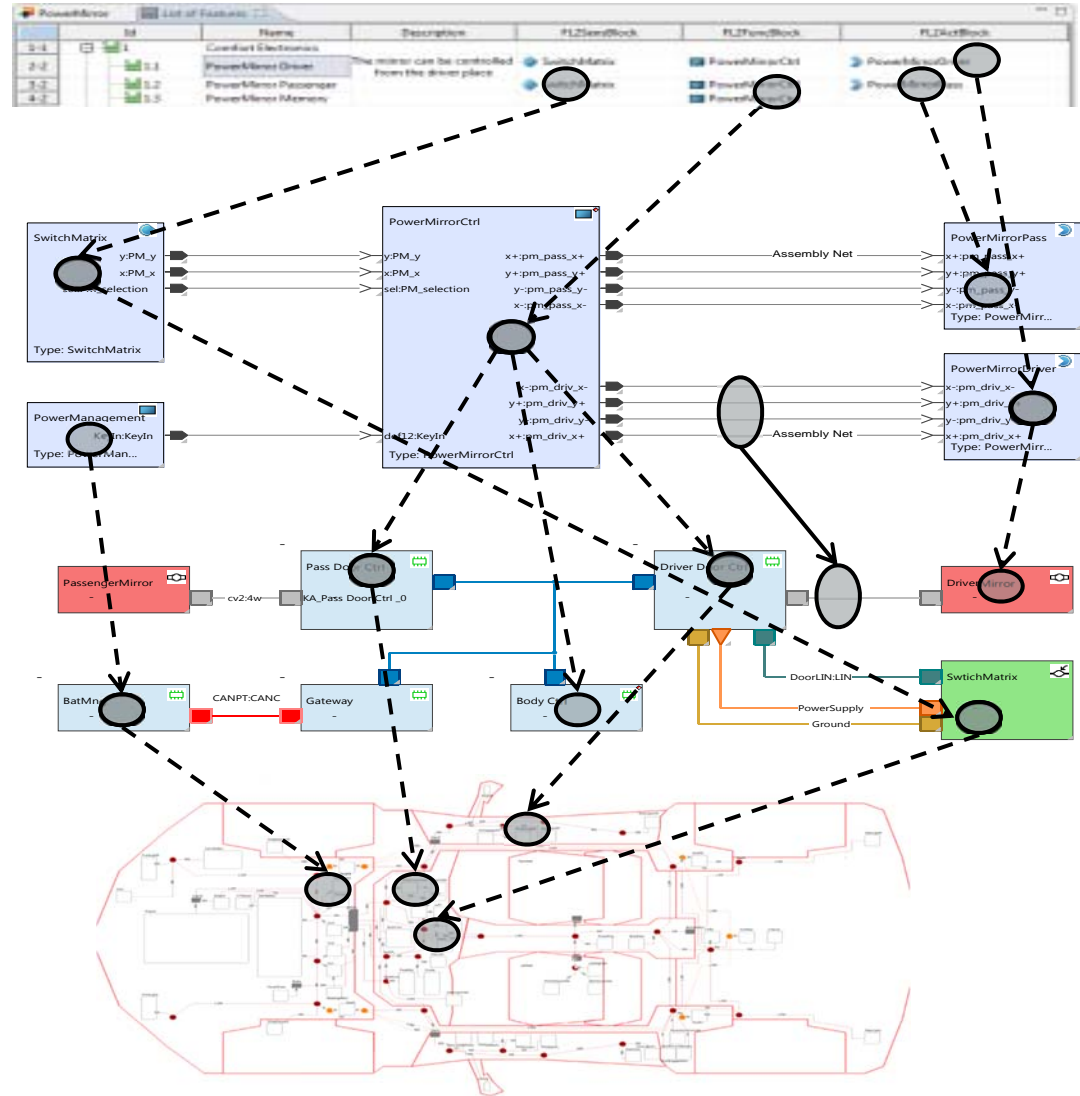
## Lever 2: Modeling and Simulation

System  
Requirements

Logical System  
Architecture

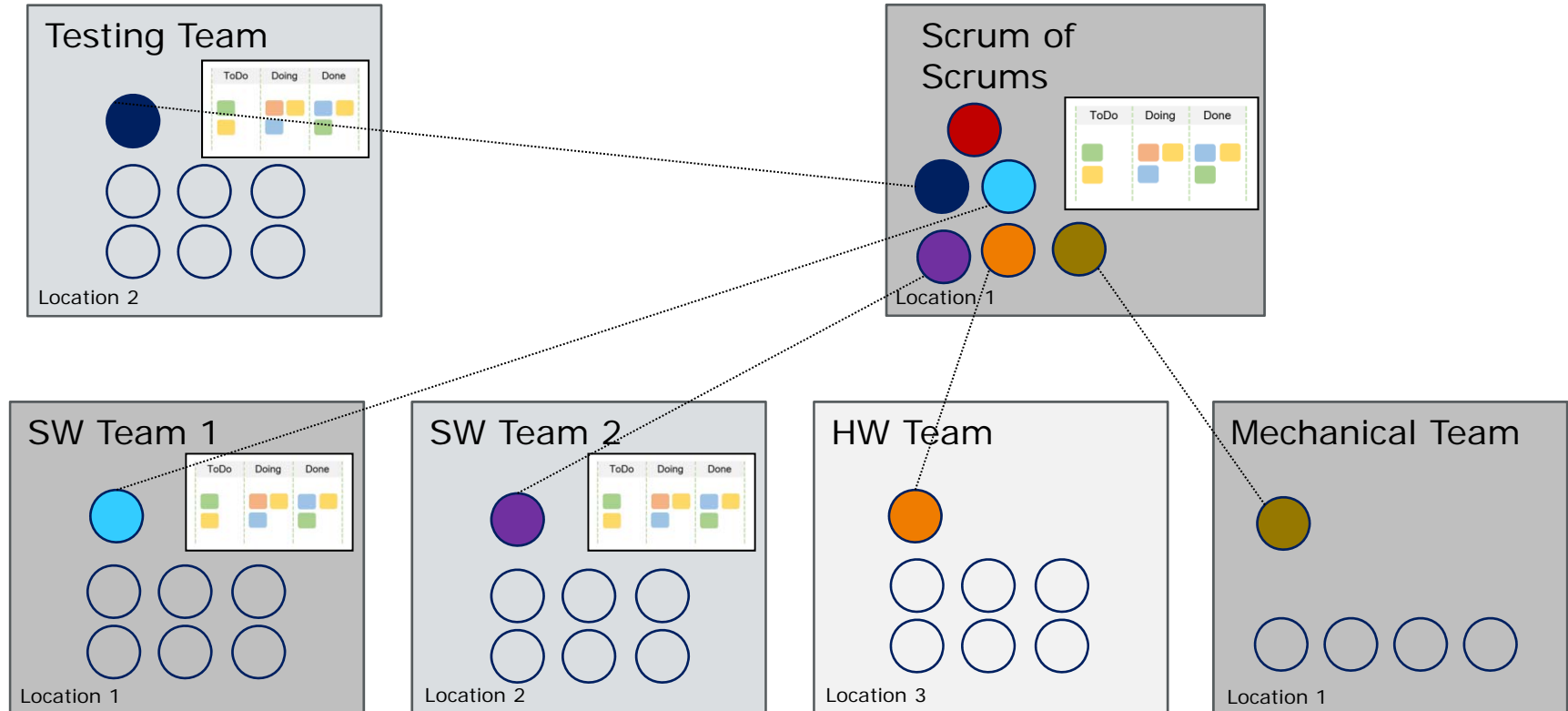
Component  
Architecture

Simulation  
Implementation






## Lever 3: Collaboration and Cooperation



### Legend


 Chief Technical Lead

 SW Lead Team 1

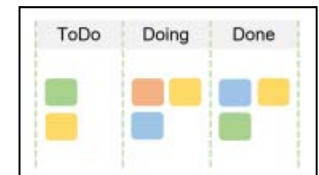
 Team Member

 SW Lead Team 2

 Hardware Lead

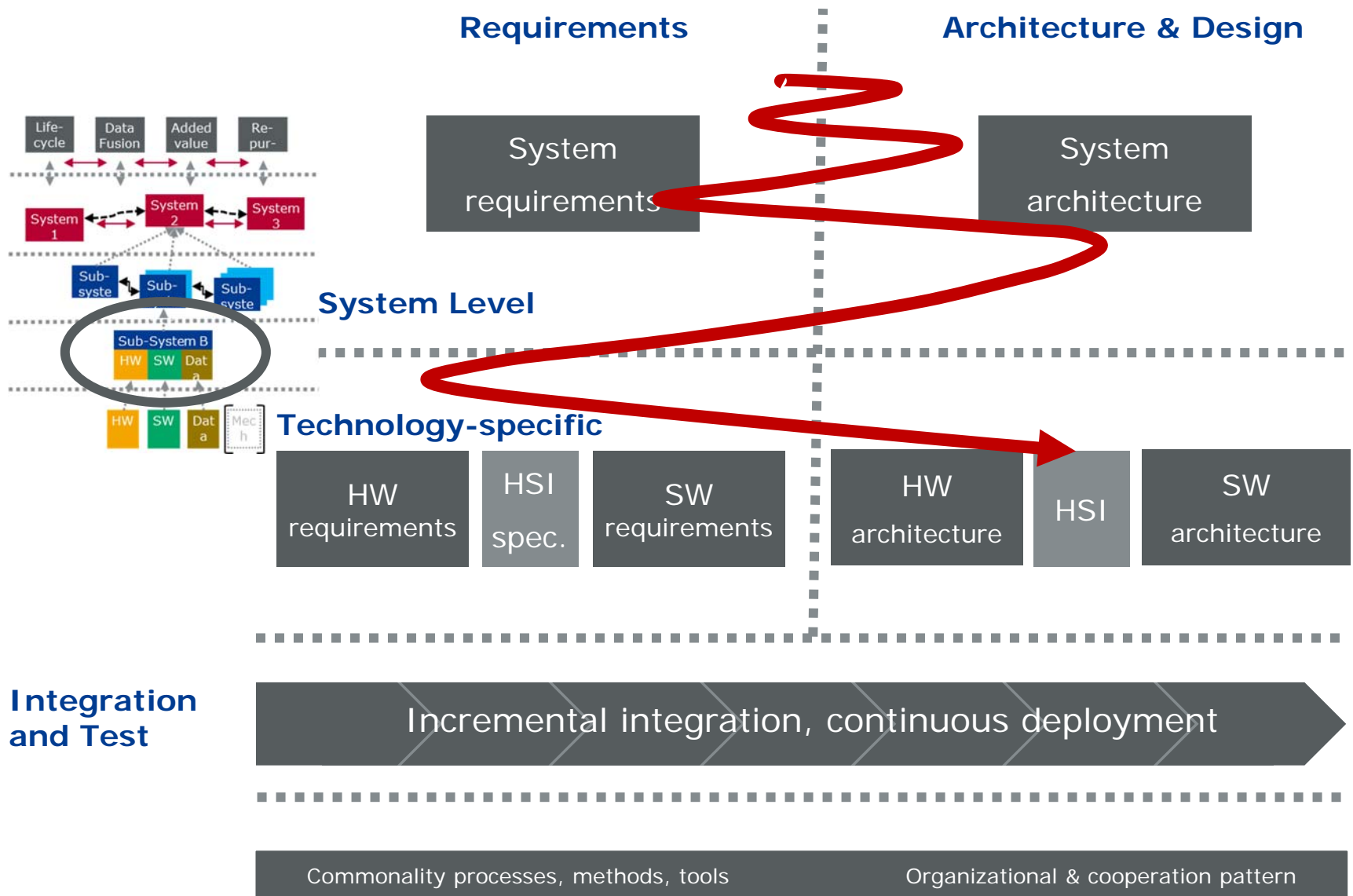
 Technical Lead Testing

 Mechanical Lead



Kanban Board

## Lever 4: Quality and Efficiency



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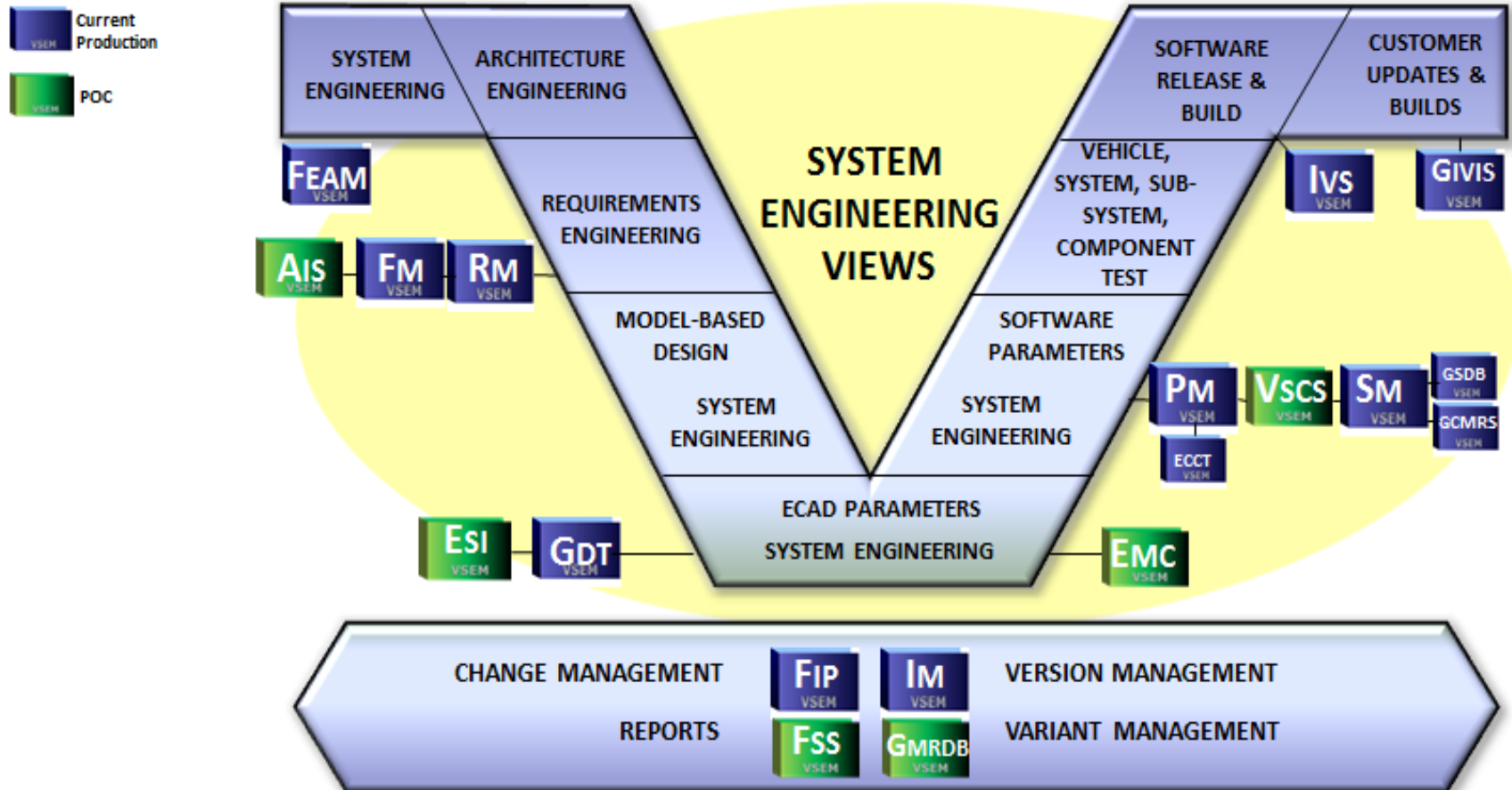
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# Systems Engineering Throughout the Life-Cycle



SW and System engineering requires comprehensive PLM solution



# Information Model

The 3 abstraction layers close the gap between Vehicle Attributes and the Component Specification

Responsible: Feature/Function Owner

## Feature from a customer perspective

Translating customer wants and market needs to stable, consistent and complete feature requirements

**Use:** Discussion/negotiation with customer representatives (e.g. marketing)

## Logical functions necessary to implement the features

Translating customer requirements to **implementation independent** engineering requirements.

**Use:** Enable efficient reuse of specifications across ECUs and carlines (Core)

## Allocated logical functions (platform / ECU)

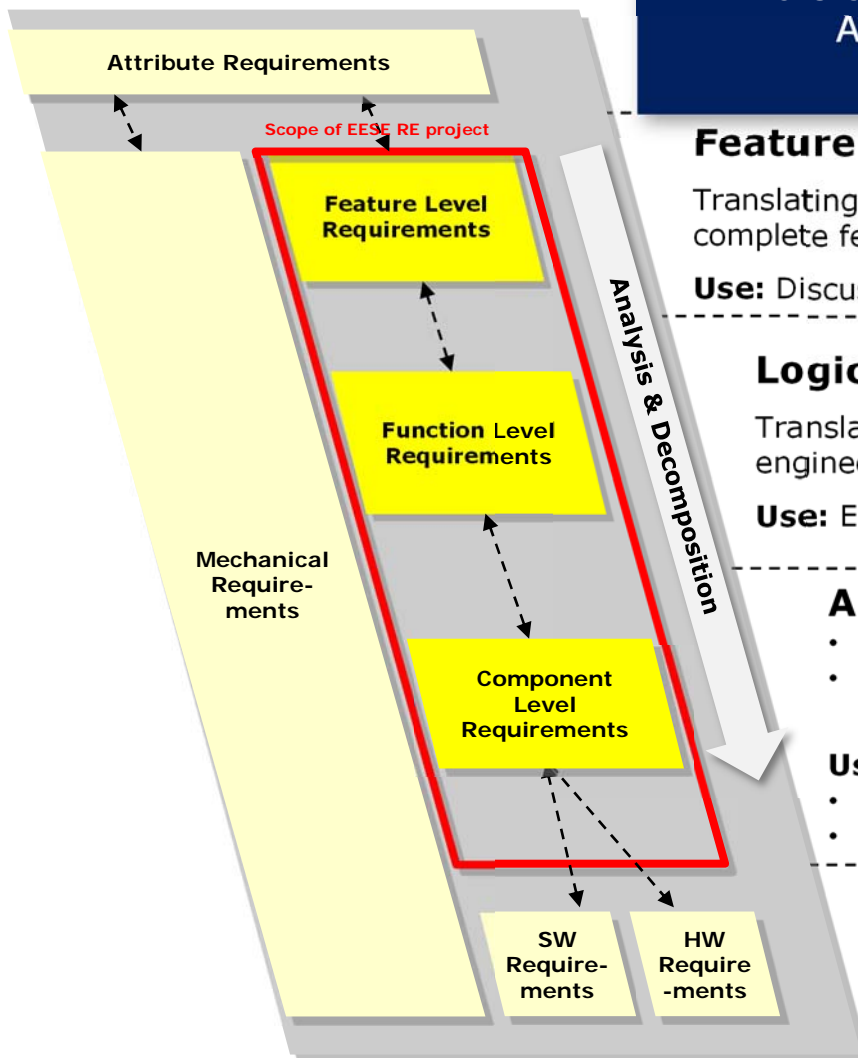
- Technical interfaces of components (e.g. ECUs) are determined
- Component behavior is enhanced/refined by technical requirements (implementer)

**Use:**

- Consistency of x-ECU interfaces enable interoperability
- Efficient data exchange with supplier

## Depending Business Model

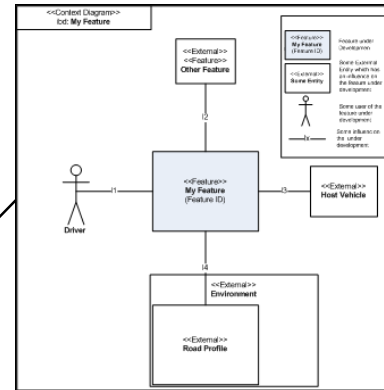
- If SW is written by Ford, QPIP scope extends to SW specification details



# Requirements Structure

**Specification**  
(a container with a defined structure to hold requirements and supporting information)

Feature Document	
<b>Content</b>	
1 Introduction.....	
1.1 Purpose.....	
1.2 Scope.....	
1.3 Audience.....	
1.4 Document Organization.....	
1.4.1 Document Context.....	
1.4.2 Document Structure.....	
1.5 References.....	
1.5.1 Ford documents.....	
1.5.2 External documents and publications.....	
1.6 Terminology.....	
1.6.1 Definitions.....	
1.6.2 Abbreviations.....	
1.7 Notation.....	
1.7.1 Requirements Templates.....	
2 FEATURE DESCRIPTION.....	
2.1 Purpose and Overview of Feature.....	
2.2 Feature Variants.....	
2.3 Regions & Markets.....	
2.4 Input Requirements.....	
2.4.1 Legal Requirements.....	
2.4.2 Trustmark Requirements.....	
2.4.3 Industry Standards.....	
2.5 Assumptions & Constraints.....	
3 FEATURE CONTEXT.....	
3.1 Feature Context Diagram.....	
3.2 List of Influences.....	
4 FEATURE MODELING.....	
4.1 Operation Modes and States.....	
4.2 Use Cases.....	
4.2.1 Use Case Diagram.....	
4.2.2 Actors.....	
4.2.3 Use Case Descriptions.....	
4.3 Driving Scenarios.....	
4.4 Decision Tables.....	
5 FEATURE REQUIREMENTS.....	
5.1 Functional Requirements.....	
5.1.1 Error Handling.....	
5.2 Nonfunctional Requirements.....	
5.2.1 Performance.....	
5.2.2 Security.....	
5.2.3 Reliability.....	
5.3 Safety.....	
5.3.1 Functional Safety Goals.....	
5.3.2 Known Safety Requirements.....	
5.4 HMI Requirements.....	
5.5 Other Requirements.....	
5.5.1 Manufacturing Requirements.....	
5.5.2 Service Requirements.....	
5.5.3 After Sales Requirements.....	
5.5.4 Process requirements.....	
6 ARCHITECTURE.....	
6.1 Functional Boundary Diagram.....	



Actors	Vehicle Occupant
Pre-conditions	The Driver Profiles feature is set to Off (ie enhanced memory feature is turned Off).
Scenario Description	The User accesses the Driver Profiles HMI from the touchscreen and chooses to enable the Driver Profiles feature (set to On).
Post-conditions	The system sets the Driver Profile feature to ON and indicates this to the user
List of Exception Use Cases	The Driver Profiles feature is now set to ON and a new profile can be created.
Interfaces	Personalization Interface

###F_FeatureName_00001### Requirements Title			
<Description>			
Requirement ID: F_FeatureName_00002			
Rationale			
Acceptance Criteria			Verification Method
Notes			
Type	Choose an item.	Source	
Priority	Choose an item.	Owner	
Stability	Choose an item.	ASIL Level	Choose an item.
Change Log			
Version	Date	Author	Change
1			Initial version

**Supporting specifications/ Artifacts**

(Models, Use Cases, Explanatory text paragraphs)

**Requirement**

**Defined structure for gathering individual requirements (e.g. Feature Document)**

# Improving Quality and Collaboration with Good Documentation

## REQ-199754/A-Opt-In Create Driver Profile

Enhanced Memory shall require a user to Opt-in before enabling this feature and creating first Driver Profile. **Without the opt-in step the user cannot create any Driver Profiles** and the vehicle will operate as it does normally without separate Driver Profiles for different drivers. (Example from Feature Document without attributes table)

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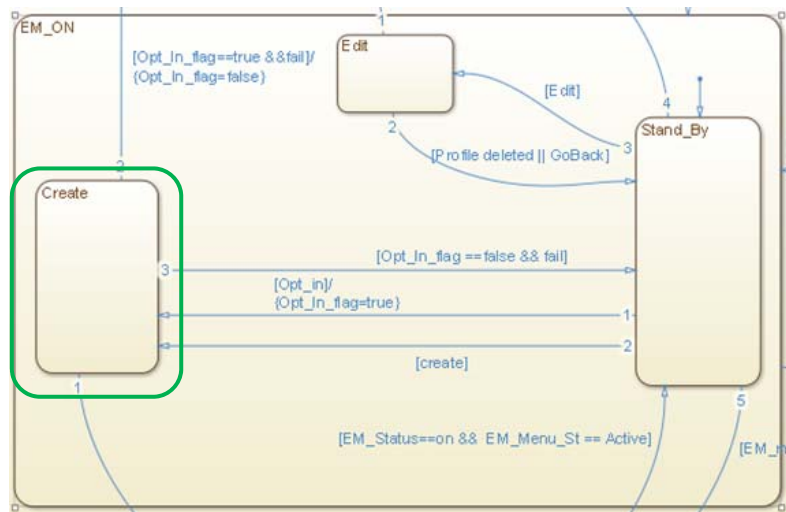


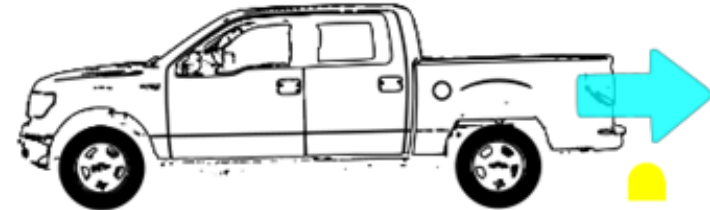
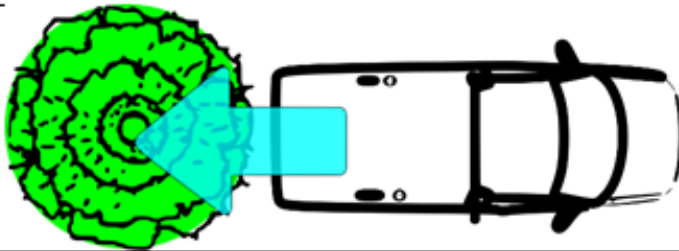
Figure –Operation Modes

## ENMEM-REQ-199754/A-Opt-In Enhanced Memory Feature to Create Driver Profile

Creation of Driver Profiles is only allowed in state *Create* (refer to *figure 3*). The vehicle will operate as it does normally without separate Driver Profiles for different drivers.

## Example: System Level Requirements

**Purpose:** Complete understanding of feature by using scenarios and other modeling techniques



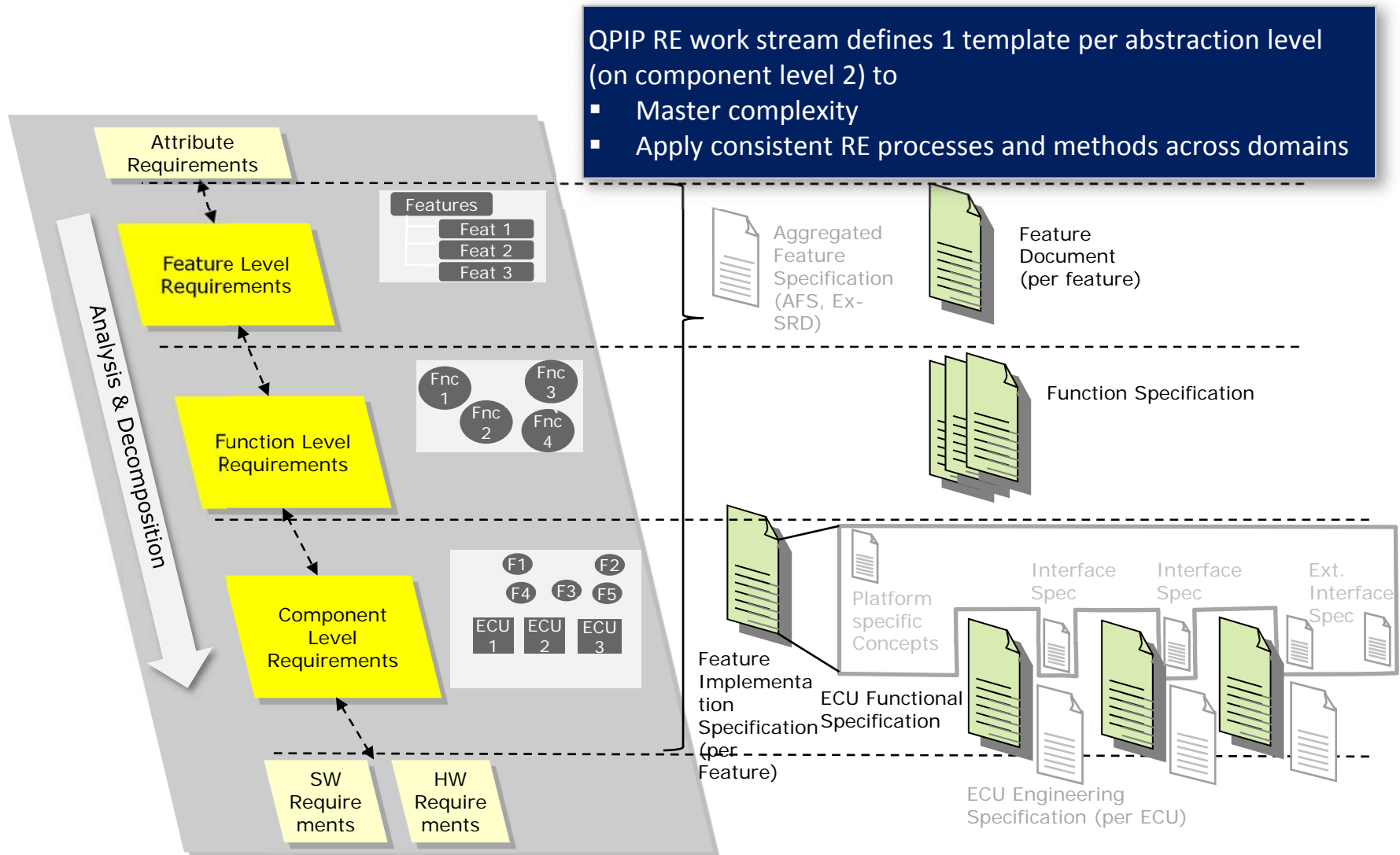
<b>Scenario ID</b>	Scenario 2
<b>Reference</b>	.... tbd
<b>Short Description</b>	Do not intervene if a stationary object is in the path of the host vehicle if the driver is backing toward it carefully (below feature activation speed threshold).
<b>Condition</b> (location, weather, street conditions, light, obstacles)	No specific conditions

Flow of Actions	
1	The Driver is actively backing the vehicle.
2	The vehicle is approaching a stationary object behind the vehicle.
3	Driver is attentive moving slowly toward object.
4	The feature RBA does not intervene.
5	Feature RBA sends a message to the driver that the system is inactive.
6	The Driver responds by manually applying the brakes at the appropriate time.
7	Scenario ends.

**Driving scenarios technique has been developed in pilot projects.**



# Consistent Documentation and Tool Support



## Benefits – Examples from Ford Projects

- ▶ Ownership: Self-organization reduces collaboration effort significantly compared to classic project management approach.
- ▶ Transparency of project status is significantly improved.
- ▶ Velocity and quality are improved. Management and teams recognize and value improvements and agile team spirit.
- ▶ Improved design speed and reuse.
- ▶ Product complexity is better managed and controlled.
- ▶ Architectural complexity control.



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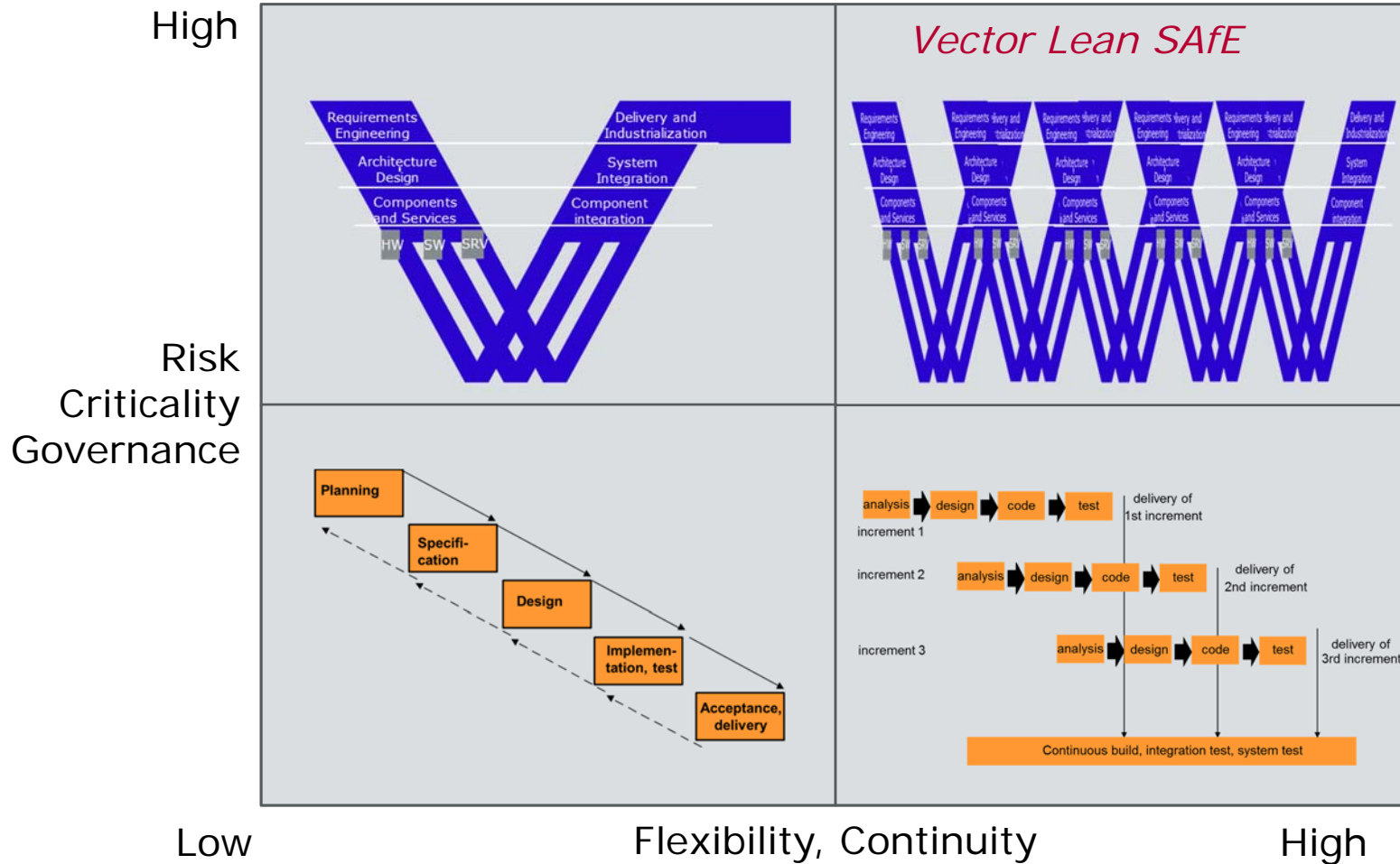
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Source: Ebert, Requirements Engineering, 2017

## Benefits – Vector Examples across Industries

### ► Collaboration

- Collaboration effort has been reduced by over 20% with agile systems engineering.

Customer (Component Supplier):

*"I simply open the Kanban Board of the Scrum of Scrums meeting. If I see no progress after 3 days, I know the team has a problem. But I do not see this often."*

### ► Predictability

- Availability of results
- Project transparency

### ► Velocity and product quality

- Customers, management and teams recognize and value improvements and agile team spirit.

End Customer (Systems OEM),  
2 weeks after start:

*"Now we see progress!"*

Introduce agile systems engineering  
before complexity gets overwhelming.



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