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Big Data, DII and the Heisenberg principle

Are you ready for “Big Data” ?

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Landscape ...

Industry
developments
in Big Data

Research on transforming complex
(M and N-form) information-
intensive organisations

Big Data and complex organisations

- Strategic and operational roles for EA
- Actionable approaches for transforming complex organisations

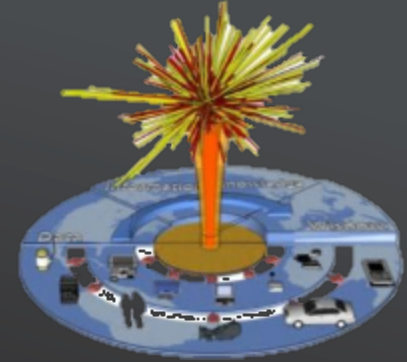
Grounded in

- The realities of specifying, designing, engineering, deploying, transitioning and operating one of the largest “Defence grade” COTS-based information systems environments in the world
- The economic realities of Defence Transformation

Experience from DII, Government
Gateway, and other public and
private sector transformation

*Not an HP pitch on Big Data, an ATLAS pitch on DII,
or a pitch on quantum mechanics*

EXPLOSION AT THE EDGE



Why is this happening?

- Proliferation of Embedded Technology
- Mobile Revolution
- Digitization of Content
- Speed of Business
- Emerging Relationships
- Emergence of Context

Business Imperatives:

- Don't Drown in the Exaflood of Data
- Seek Data for Decisions
- Rethink Workspace
- Rethink your Customer's Edge
- Understand the New Legalities

RESULT: BIG DATA

New technologies and architectures which economically extract value from very large volumes of wide variety of data, by enabling high velocity capture, discovery, and analysis.

Combination of **Volume, Variety, Velocity, and Value** requires technologies to address management, storage, access, value creation, and security. (IDC)

Big
data

Analytics

Data intensive compute

Applications

Scientific discovery

Improved diagnostic methodologies and treatments

New revenue streams, and increased process automation and efficiencies

Efficient management of resources via use of smart grids and other data mining

Efficient operations in industries such as transportation, oil and gas, finance, defence

Experience

Lessons from the commercial world?

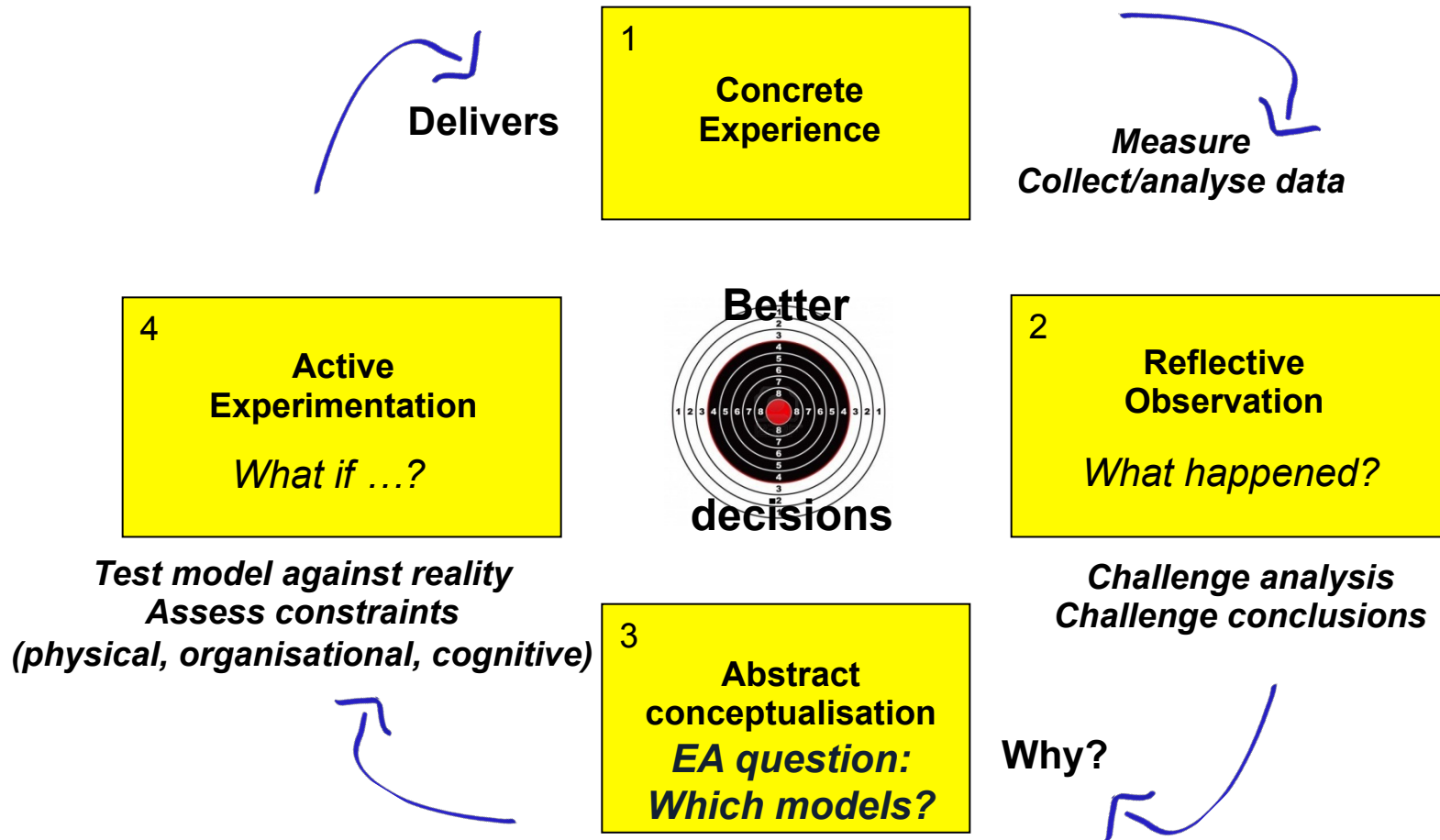
How is large-scale analytics being applied to ease overload for warfighters from increasing number of sensor inputs while providing “actionable” information?

What applications are being developed for homeland security and intelligence?

What role are new tools, techniques, and technologies – predictive analytics, cloud computing, metadata, etc. – playing in making big data analytics at Government level a reality?

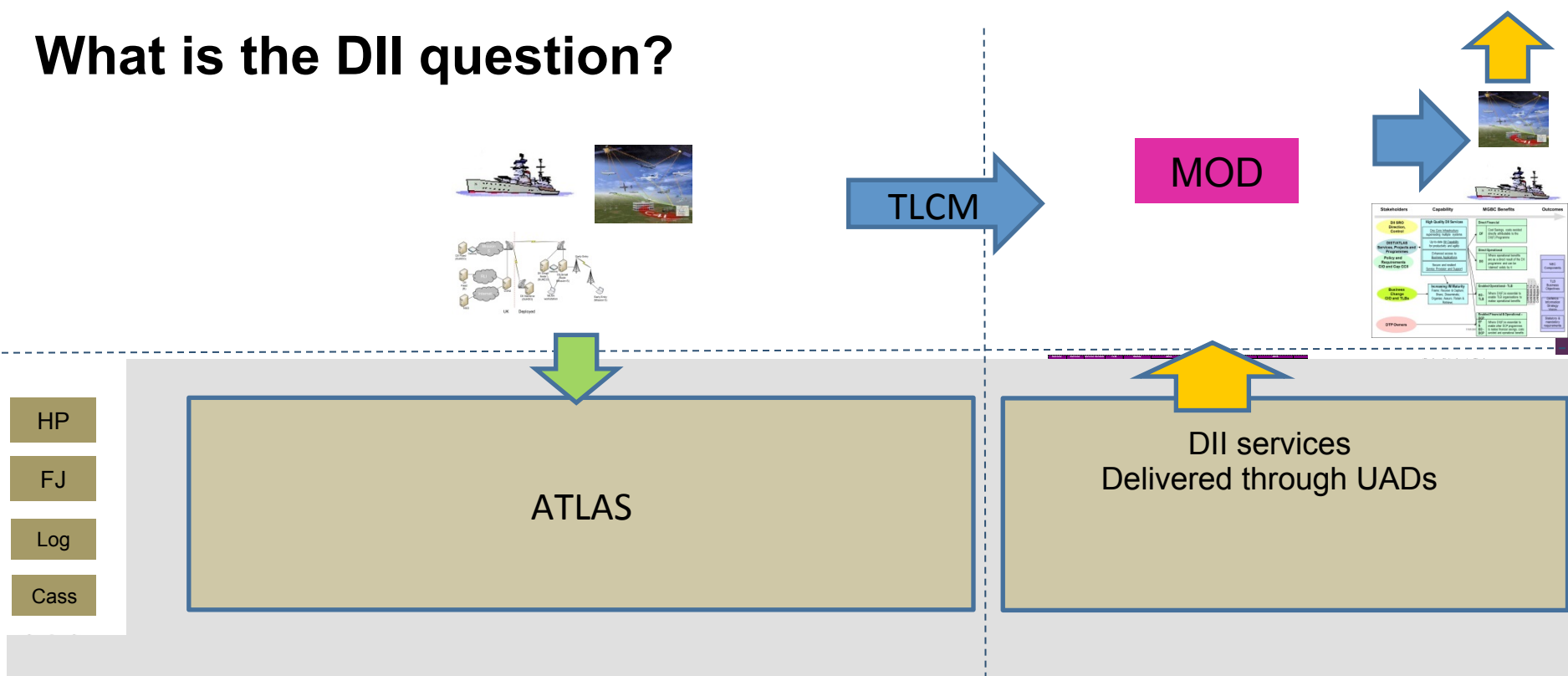


Big Data is about Learning



Use models and data to understand decision quality
(Every decision is perfect if you choose the model and data to fit the decision)
(Inappropriate models applied to complex systems can misinform or confuse)

What is the DII question?



Chief Architect questions: What is DII?

These are complex organisations, so how do we accelerate transformation?

Common misunderstanding:

- DII is no more complex than consumer-grade desktops with standard consumer products (eg Microsoft)
- DII is slow compared with corporate systems
- DII is just like any other government ICT system
- Security isn't that important
- MOD would work better if its corporate data were scattered across 400,000 unmanaged, potentially compromised personal devices and the Cloud
- Buying COTS services would take out most of the cost

“Defence grade ...”



Mission
grade



Defence
grade



Government
grade



Commercial
grade



Consumer
grade



(DII)



(Govt Gateway)

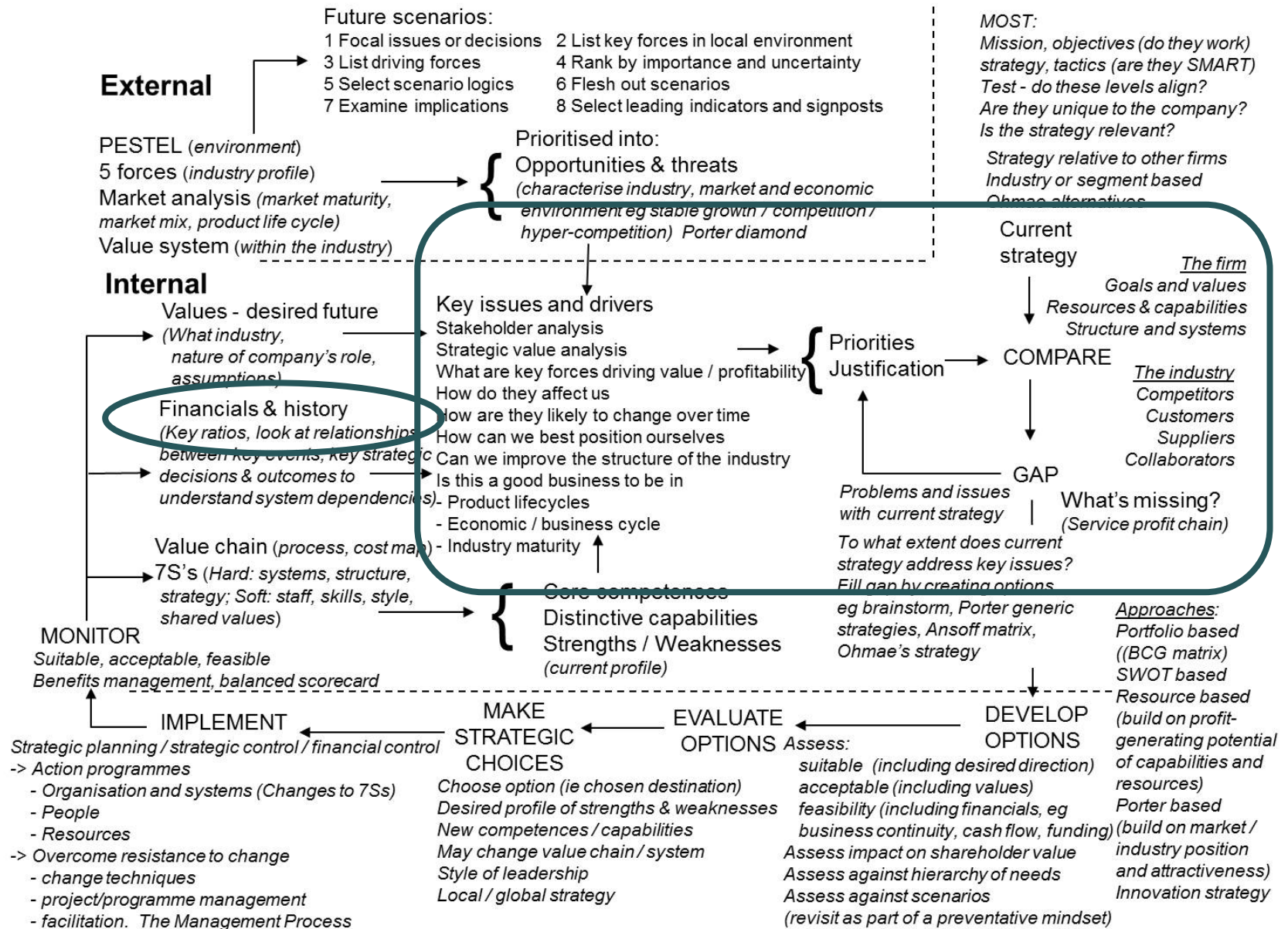


(eg Amazon)



(eg Facebook)

How do we accelerate transformation? What focus?



... and which models?

Reference models

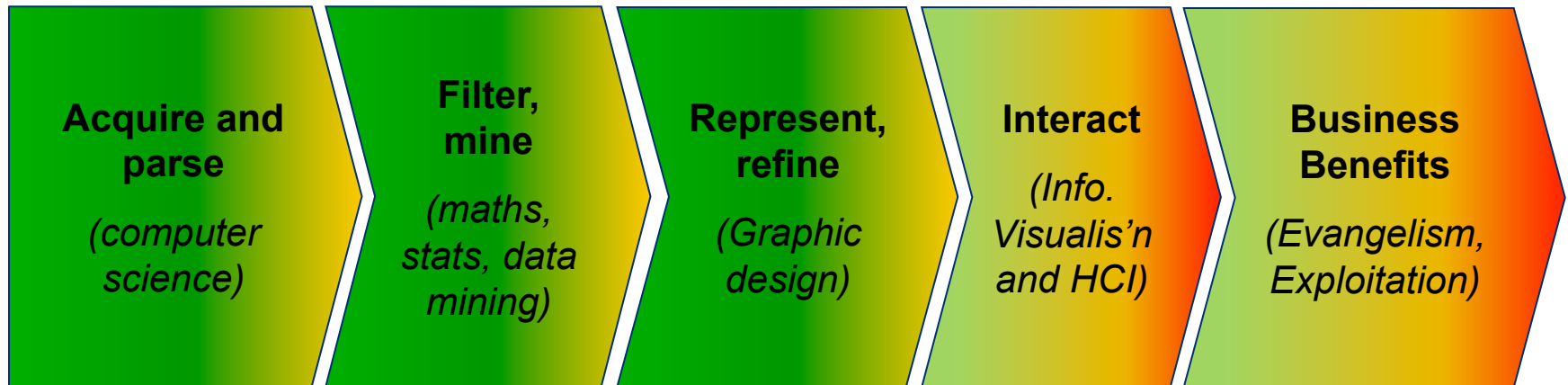
DIRM, **MODAF**, **TOGAF**, NAF, DODAF, CMMi, FEAF, LCIA
Zachmann framework

Reference theories

Systems engineering, software economics, system economics, learning theory, theories of technology investment, Open Innovation, psychology of programming, theories of quantitative and qualitative research, theory of contract, transaction cost economics, agency theory, supply chain theory, production engineering, production economics, market economics, institutional economics, intellectual capital, theory of constraints, control theory, organisational psychology, theories of professional practice

Big Data sequence

Business context
Technology industry context



after Fry, B.J. (2004) MIT

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~20,000 design documents acquired, parsed, filtered and mined
Other datasources mined
Metamodel enhanced and extended
Multiple datasources triangulated

What is DII?



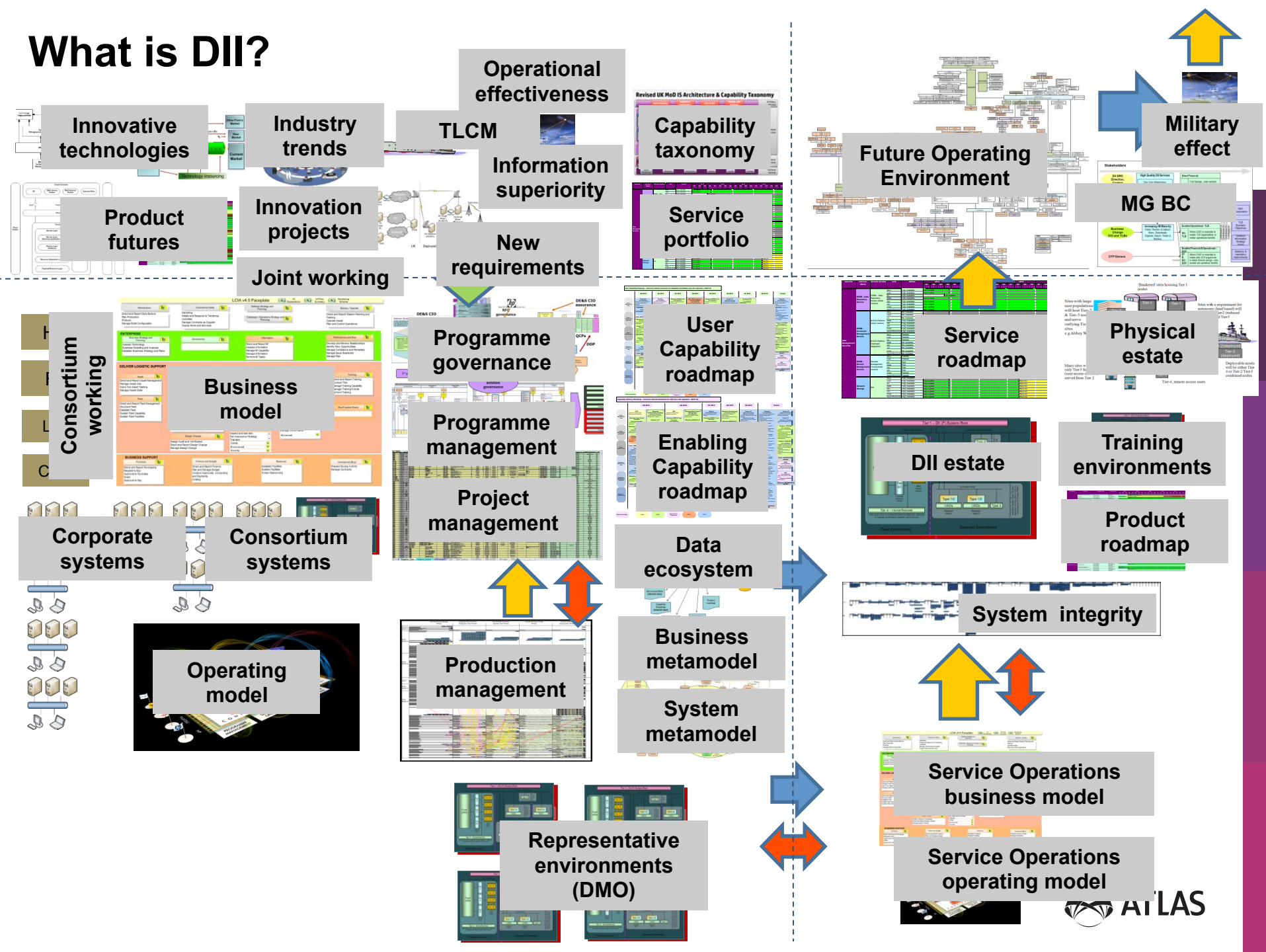


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ATLAS

DII services
Delivered through UADs

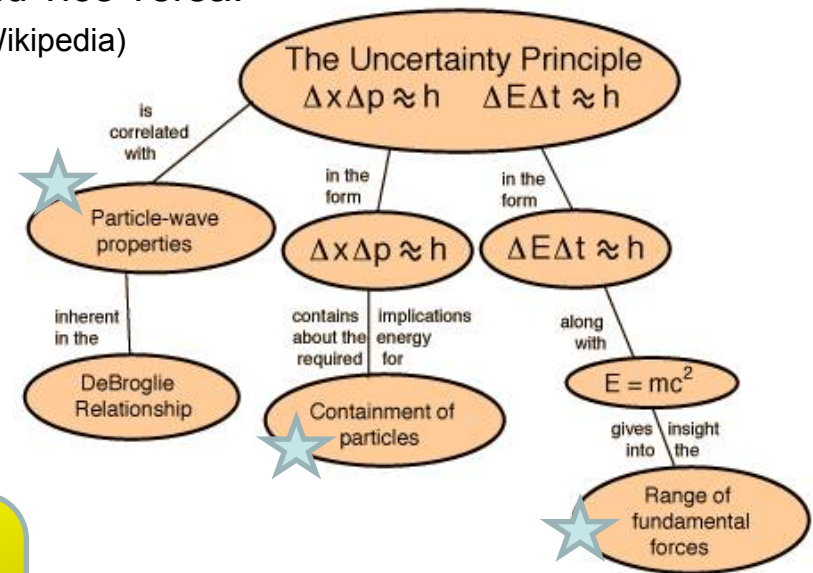
What is DII?



Heisenberg - uncertainty principle, not observer effect

- In quantum mechanics, the uncertainty principle is any of a variety of mathematical inequalities asserting a fundamental limit to the precision with which certain pairs of physical properties of a particle, such as position x and momentum p , can be known simultaneously. The more precisely the position of some particle is determined, the less precisely its momentum can be known, and vice versa.
 - Paraphrase of Heisenberg's uncertainty paper of 1927. (Wikipedia)

The uncertainty principle states a fundamental property of quantum systems. It is not a statement about the observational success of current technology.



**Complex software intensive systems.
Some aspects are deterministic, others
manifest as a probability function.**

Better decisions?

Limiting factors for Big Data

Cognitive limitations

Limited attention, limited processing capacity and limited problem-solving ability

Information limitations

Limit ability to interpret information, uncertainty

'Rational ignorance'

Limiting the information and analysis tools applied by using familiar models (which may be inappropriate) to avoid cognitive effort

Bounded Rationality

How do we accelerate transformation?



Mission
grade

Address those limiting factors
Cognitive, informational,
“rational ignorance”

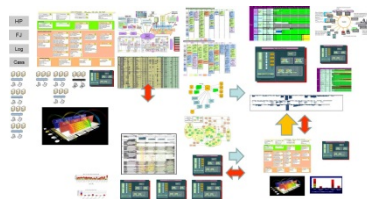
A high value role for EA

(DII)

(Govt Gateway)

(eg Amazon)

(eg Facebook)





Are you ready to use Big Data to improve the performance of your enterprise?

Are you ready for Big Data?

Thank you