

Lecture 3 - Model-based Control Engineering

- Control application and a platform
- Systems platform: hardware, systems software.
Development steps
- Model-based design
- Control solution deployment and support
- Control application areas

Generality of control

- Modeling abstraction
- Computing element - software
- System, actuator, and sensor physics might be very different
- Control and system engineering is used across many applications
 - similar principles
 - transferable skills
 - mind the application!

System platform for control computing

- Workstations
 - advanced process control
 - enterprise optimizers
 - computing servers
(QoS/admission control)
- Specialized controllers:
 - PLC, DCS, motion controllers,
hybrid controllers



System platform for control computing

- Embedded: μ P + software
- DSP

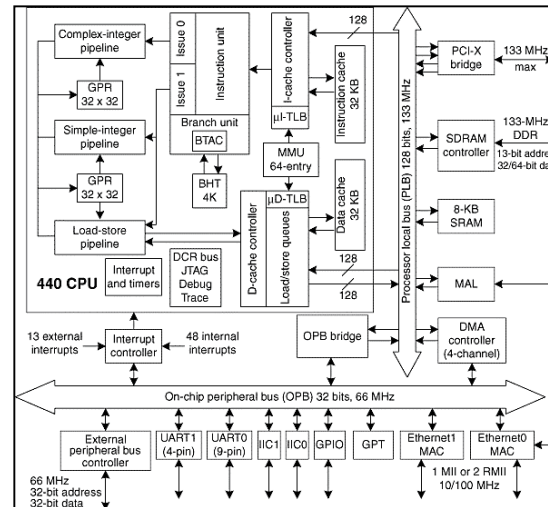


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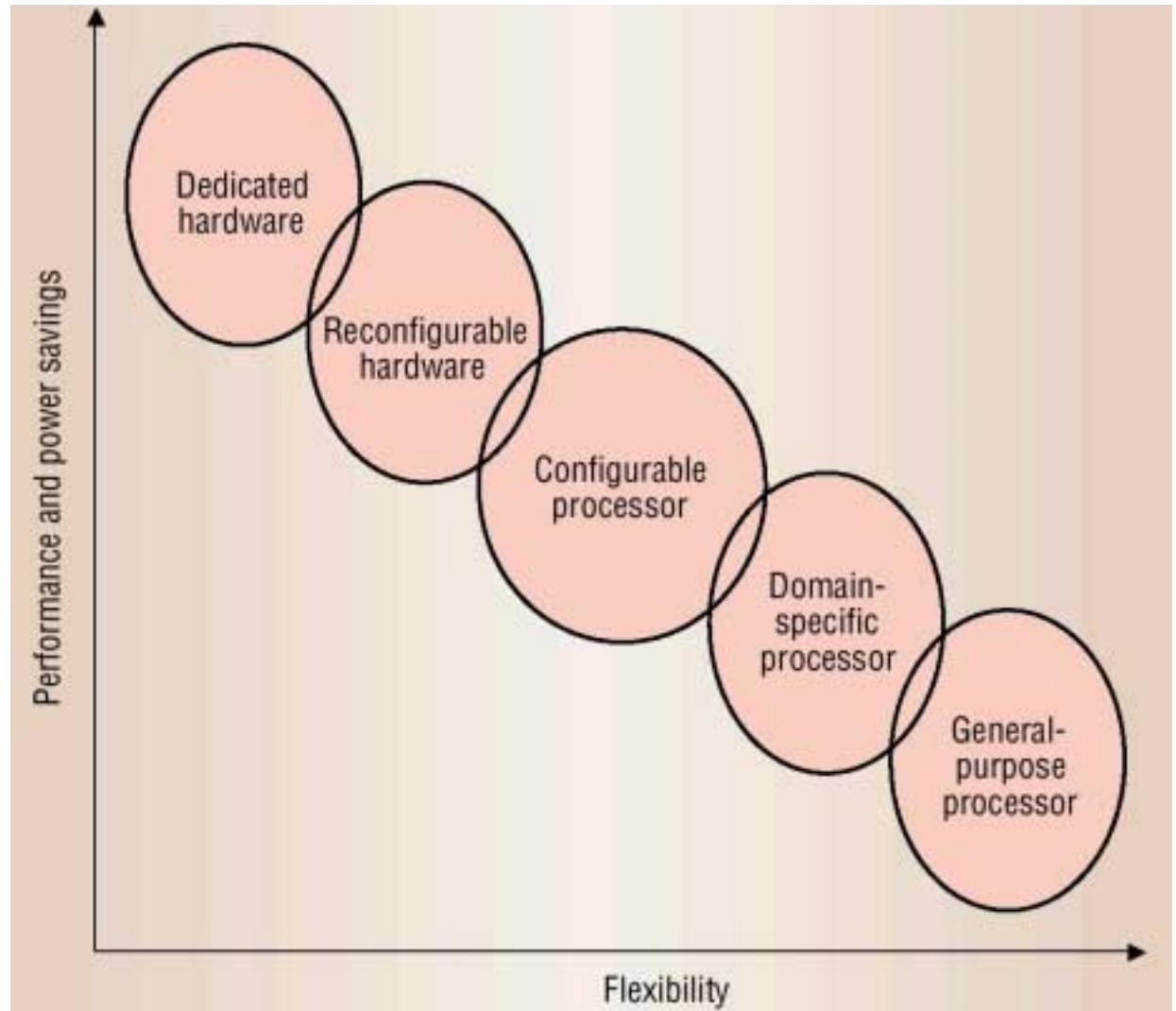
- FPGA



- ASIC / SoC

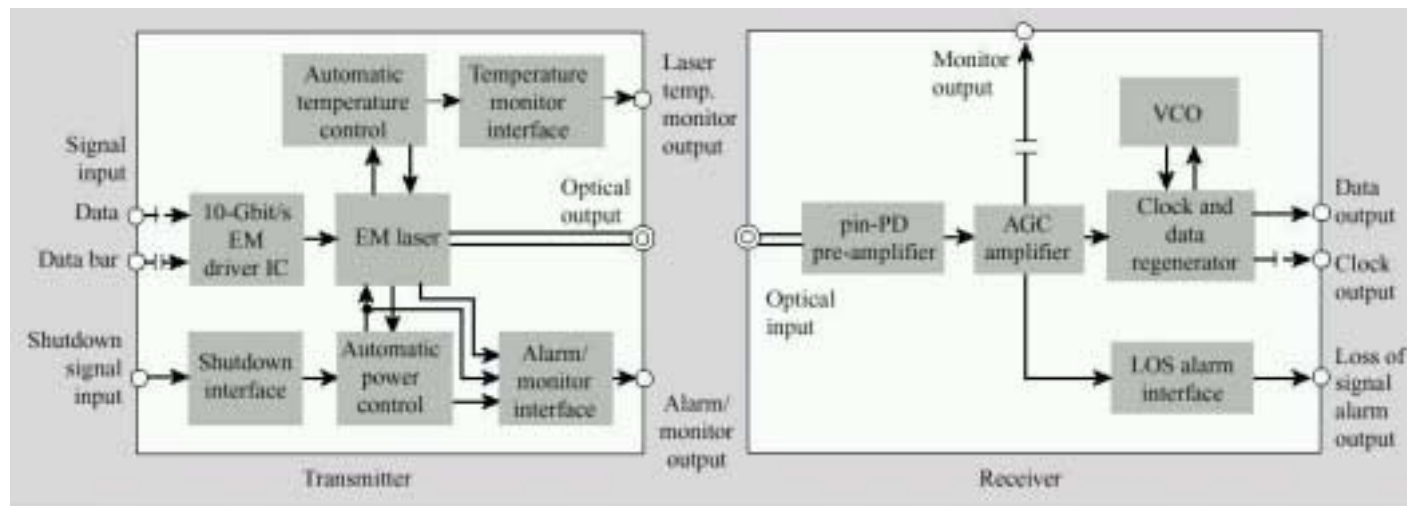


Embedded processor range



System platform, cont'd

- Analog/mixed electric circuits
 - power controllers
 - RF circuits
- Analog/mixed other
 - Gbs optical networks



EM =
Electr-opt
Modulator

Functional Block Diagram of 10-Gbit/s Optical Transmitter/Receiver.

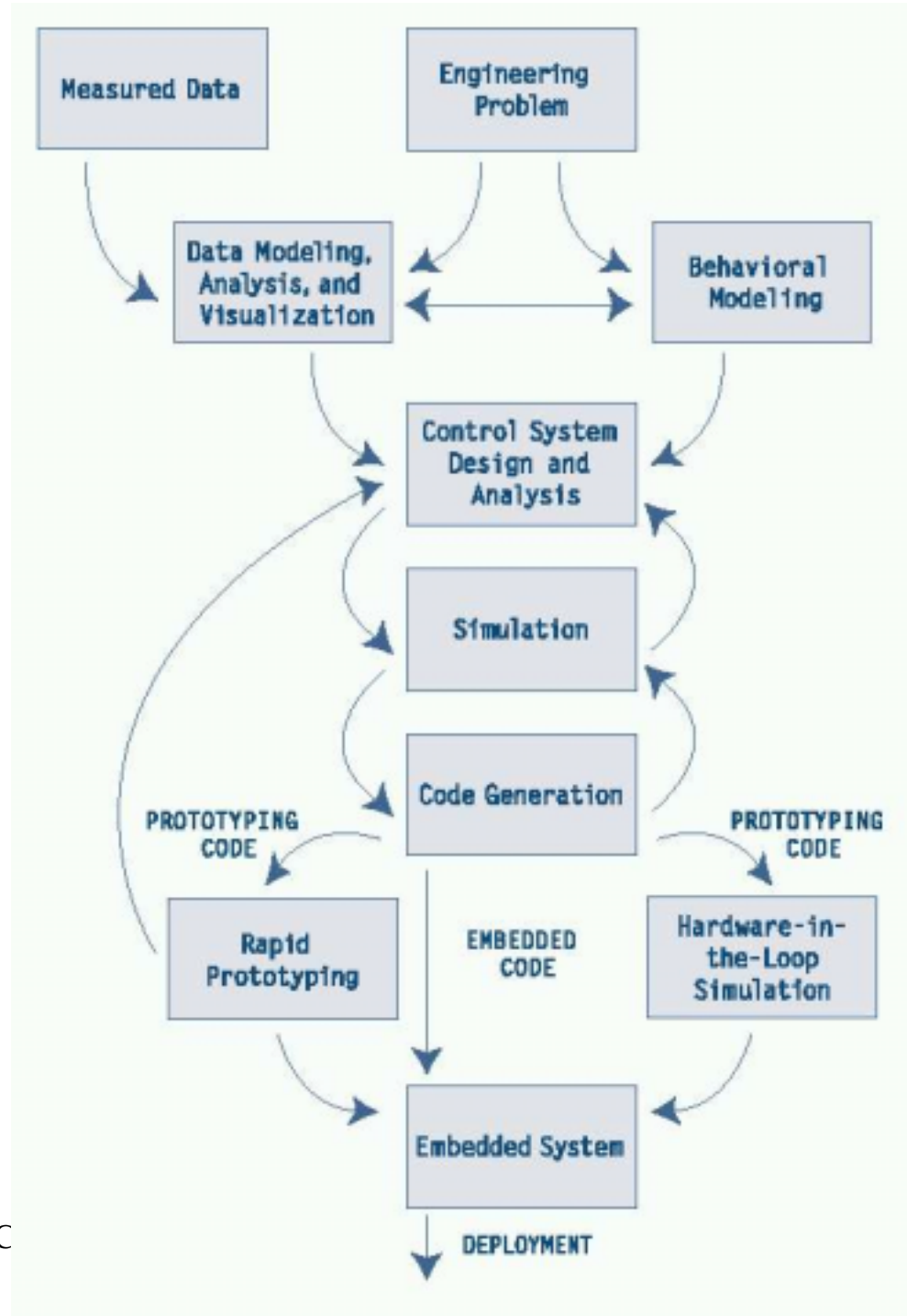
AGC = Auto Gain Control

Controls development cycle

- Analysis and modeling
 - physical model, or empirical, or data driven
 - use a simplified design model
 - system trade study - defines system design
- Heavy use of CAD tools
- Simulation
 - design validation using detailed performance model
- System development
 - control application, software platform, hardware platform
- Validation and verification
 - against initial specs
- Certification/commissioning

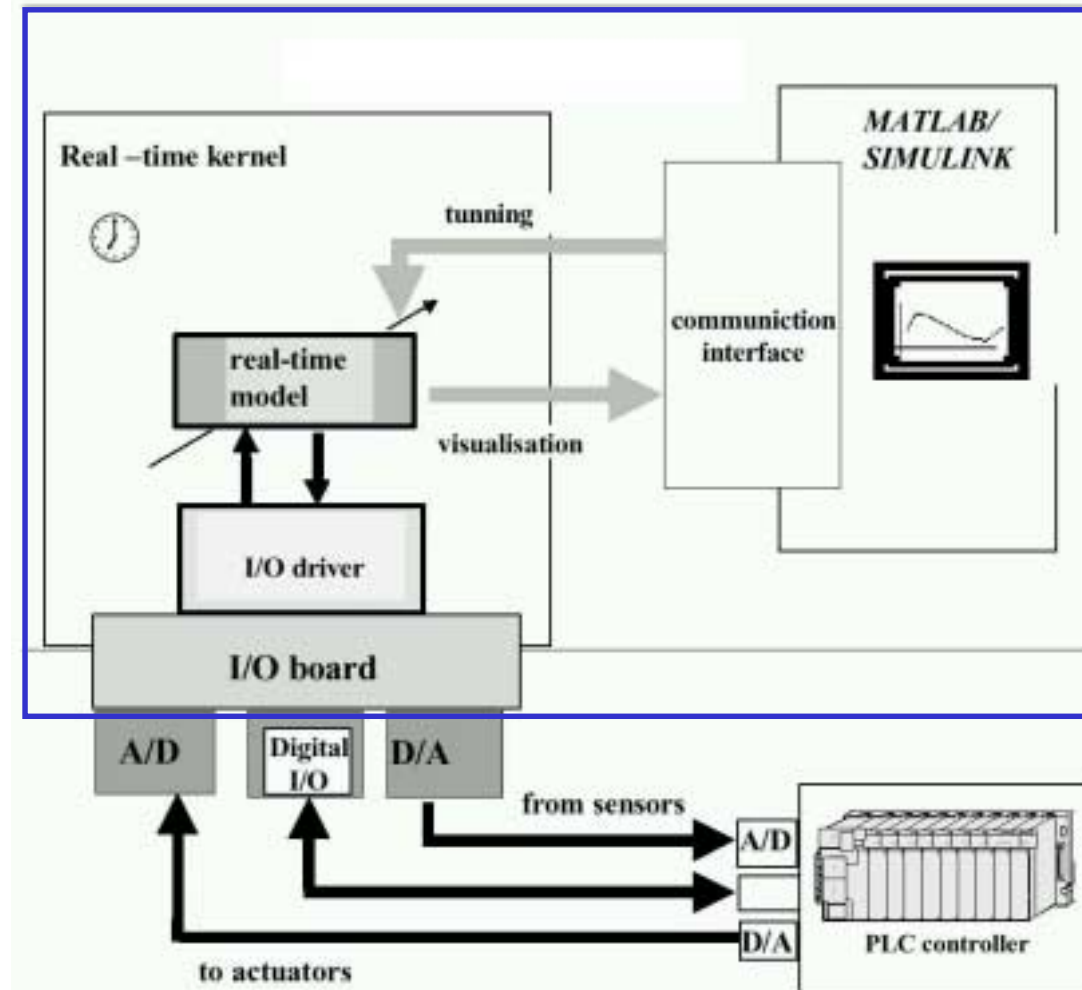
Control application software development cycle

- Matlab+toolboxes
- Simulink
- Stateflow
- Real-time Workshop

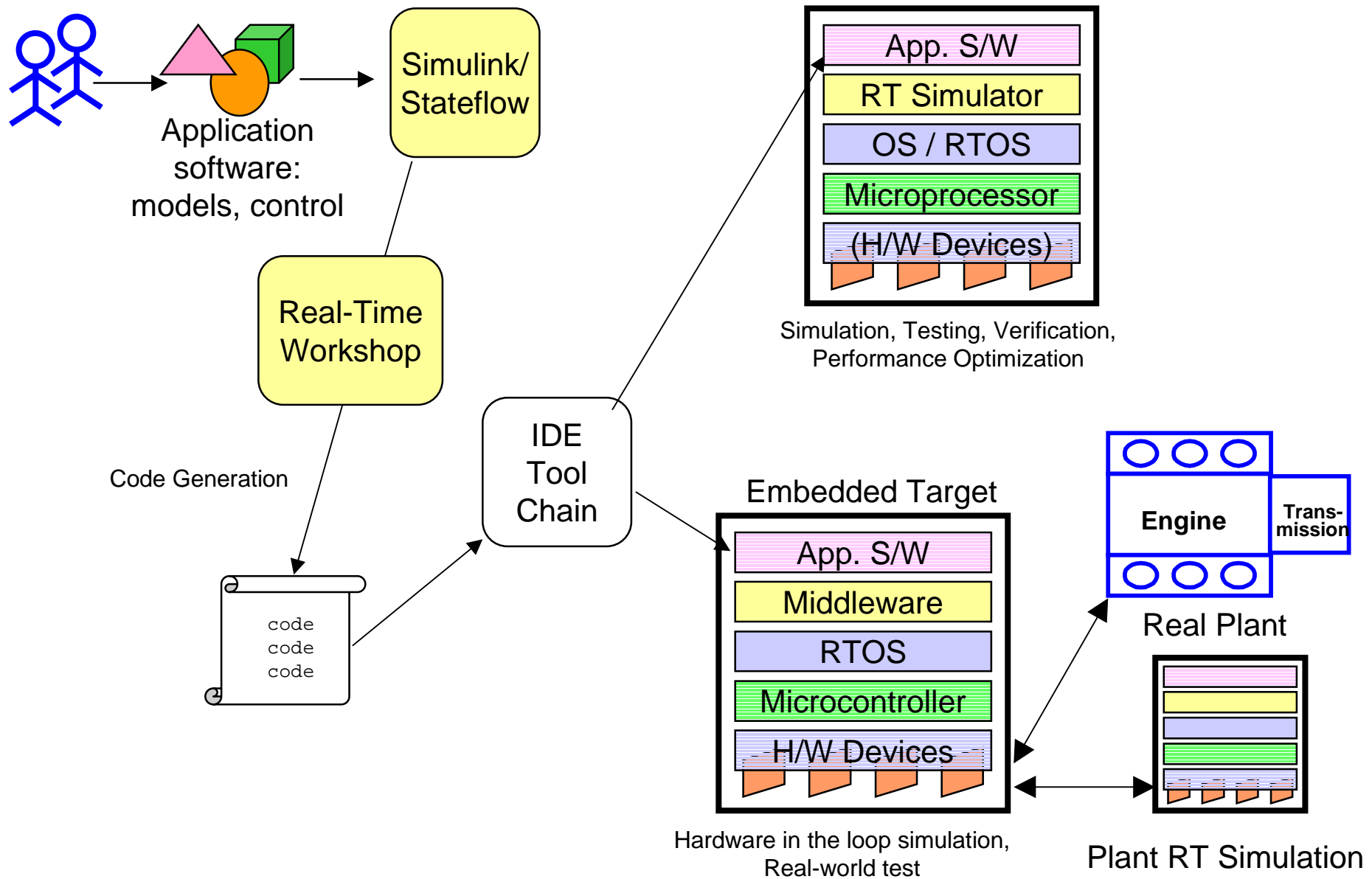


Hardware-in-the-loop simulation

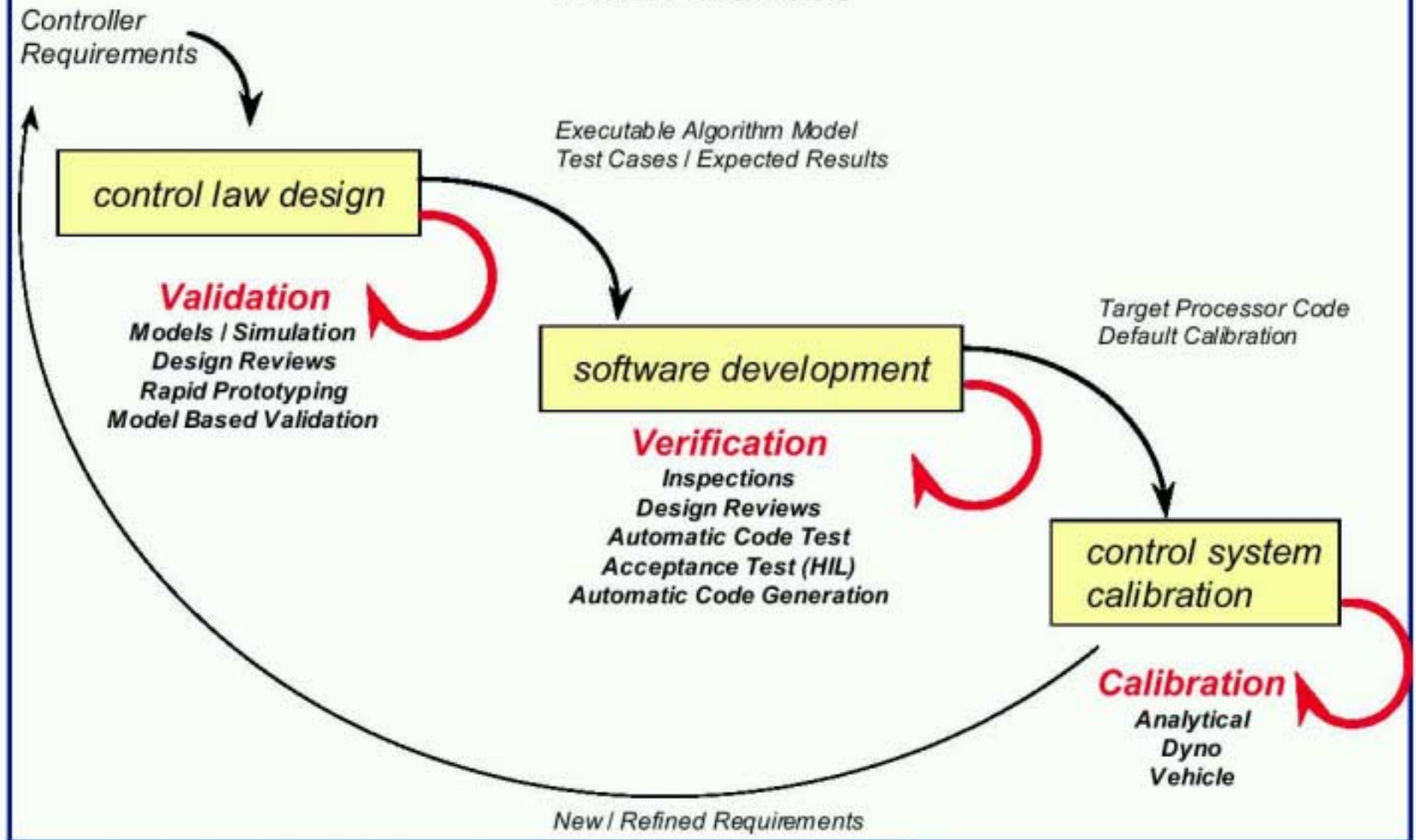
- Aerospace
- Process control
- Automotive



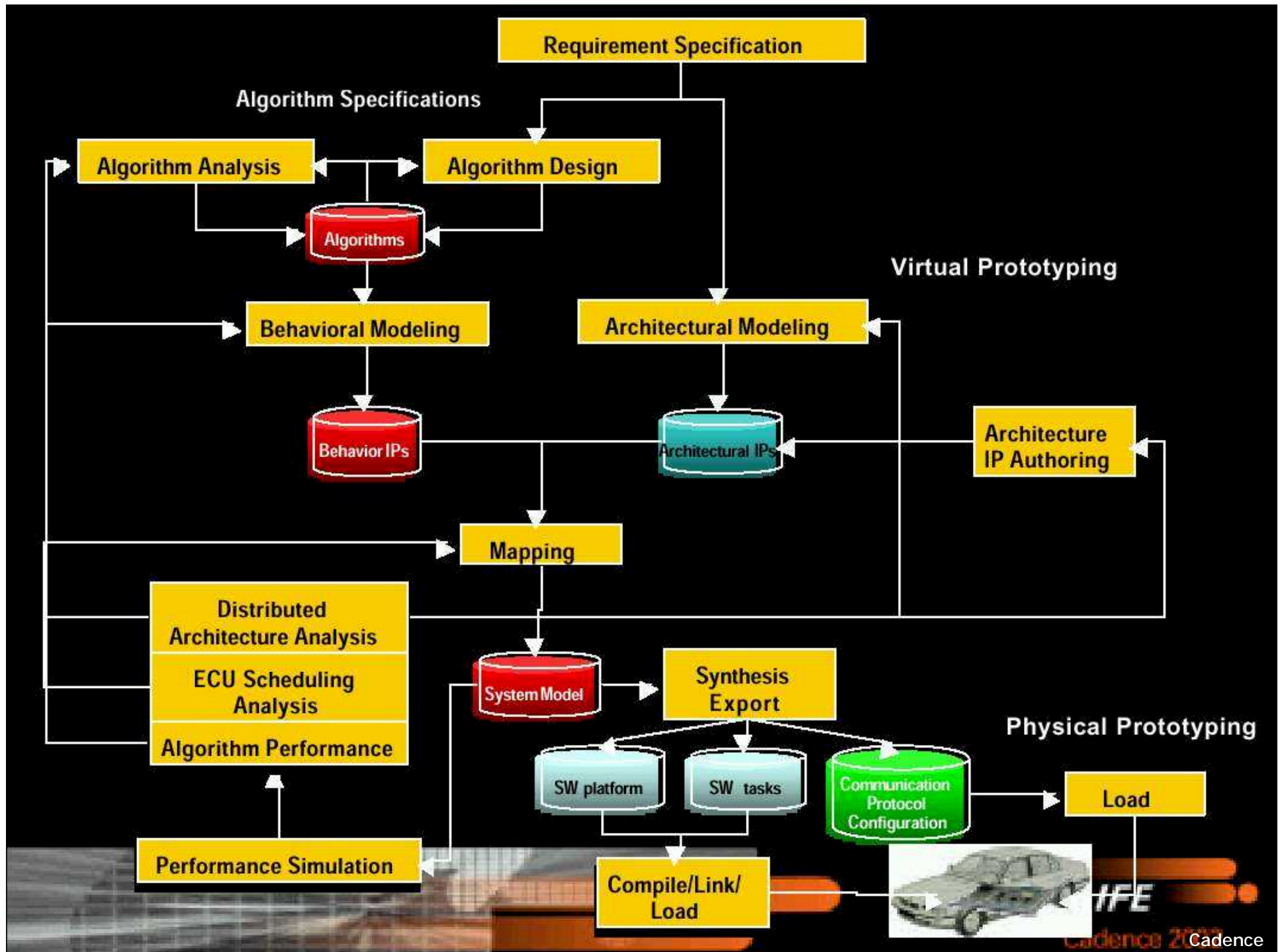
Embedded Software Development



The Process



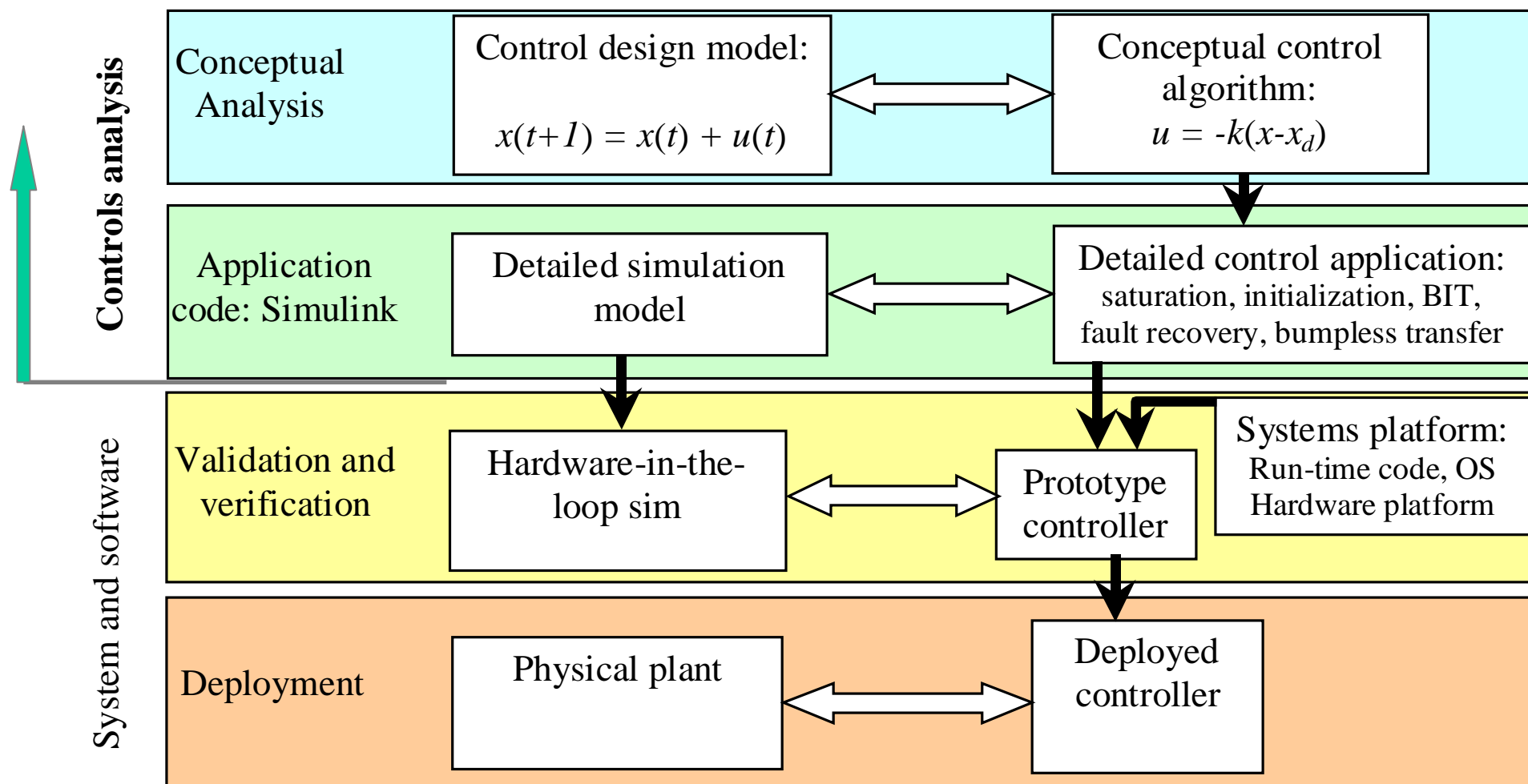
Ford Motor Company



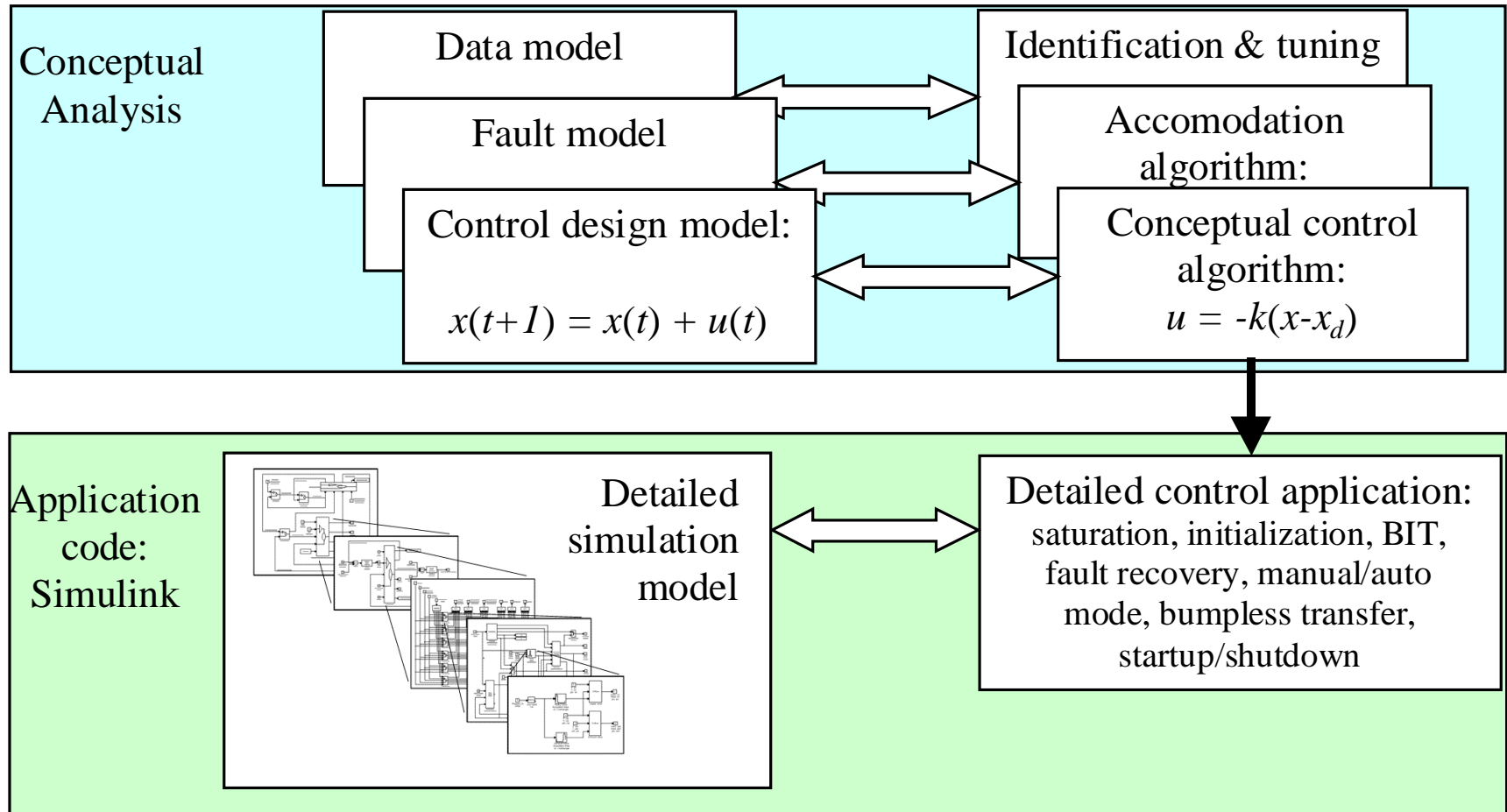
Control Technology

- Science
 - abstraction
 - concepts
 - simplified models
- Engineering
 - building new things
 - constrained resources: time, money,
- Technology
 - repeatable processes
 - control platform technology
 - control engineering technology

Controls development cycle



Controls analysis



Algorithms/Analysis

Much more than real-time control feedback computations

- modeling
- identification
- tuning
- optimization
- feedforward
- feedback
- estimation and navigation
- user interface
- diagnostics and system self-test
- system level logic, mode change

Practical Issues of Control Design

- Technical requirements
- Economics: value added, # of replications
 - automotive, telecom, disk drives - millions of copies produced
 - space, aviation - unique to dozens to several hundreds
 - process control - each process is unique, hundreds of the same type
- Developer interests
- Integration with existing system features
- Skill set in engineering development and support
- Field service/support requirements
- Marketing/competition, creation of unique IP
- Regulation/certification: FAA/FDA

Major control applications

Specialized control groups, formal development processes

- Aviation
 - avionics: Guidance, Navigation, & Control
 - propulsion - engines
 - vehicle power and environmental control
- Automotive
 - powertrain
 - suspension, traction, braking, steering
- Disk drives
- Industrial automation and process control
 - process industries: refineries, pulp and paper, chemical
 - semiconductor manufacturing processes
 - home and buildings

Commercial applications

Advanced design - commercial

- Embedded mechanical
 - mechatronics/drive control
- Robotics
 - lab automation
 - manufacturing plant robots (e.g., automotive)
 - semiconductors
- Power
 - generation and transmission
- Transportation
 - locomotives, elevators
 - marine
- Nuclear engineering

High-performance applications

Advanced design

- Defense and space
 - aero, ground, space vehicles - piloted and unmanned
 - missiles/munitions
 - comm and radar: ground, aero, space
 - campaign control: C4ISR
 - directed energy
- Science instruments
 - astronomy
 - accelerators
 - fusion: TOKAMAKs, LLNL ignition

Embedded applications

No specialized control groups

- Embedded controllers
 - consumer
 - test and measurement
 - power/current
 - thermal control
- Telecom
 - PLLs, equalizers
 - antennas, wireless, las comm
 - flow/congestion control
 - optical networks - analog, physics

Emerging control applications

A few selected cases

- Biomedical
 - life support: pacemakers anesthesia
 - diagnostics: MRI scanners, etc
 - ophthalmology
 - bio-informatics equipment
 - robotics surgery
- Computing
 - task/load balancing
- Finance and economics
 - trading