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# Human Scale AI

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## Reimagining Design to Value (DtV) as Human Centered Artificial Intelligence (HC AI) Comes to Age

Businesses of all kinds are confronted with the excruciating need to stay relevant and outcompete by internalizing an emerging breed of game-changing principles that overwhelm conventional best practices.

**A dramatic paradigm shift is taking effect as a rapidly evolving experience engineering stack emerges.** Under this construct, deep user understanding and design Intelligence serve as the critical source of differentiation at unprecedented speed and scale.

Interconnecting and seamlessly integrating Customer Experience (CX) and User Experience (UX) Lifecycle Analytics is no longer an option, but integral to any enterprise's staying power because digital experiences can now be delivered as custom services that are intelligent and intuitive, all on demand, anywhere and anytime.

Today's reality emphasizes the necessity of excelling in scalable value creation, which overrides known standards and propels innovative trendsetters across industries.

STATE OF THE ART

FUTURE ART



**MAYA**

MOST ADVANCED  
YET ACCEPTABLE

ART OF THE POSSIBLE  
LONG TERM ENDEAVOR

FORWARD LOOKING  
VISION

MARKETS  
TECHNOLOGY

**RED OCEAN**

**BLUE OCEAN**

**MOONSHOT**

**BLUE SKY**

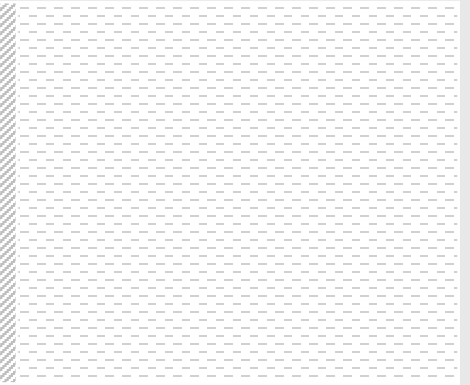
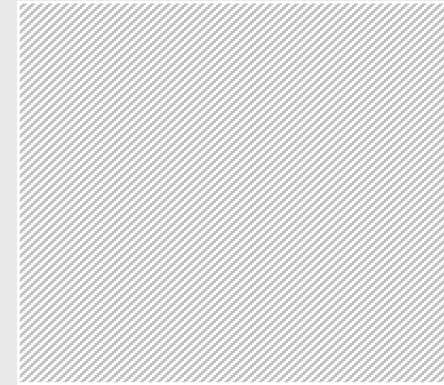
**GREEN  
FIELD**

PERSONALIZED BLENDED  
EXPERIENCES AS A SERVICE



INTELLIGENT & INTUITIVE  
DIGITAL SERVICE SUITE

**BROWN  
FIELD**



“The best way to predict the future is to invent it” | Alan Kay

“It seems impossible until it’s done” | Nelson Mandela

# “You can’t improve what you don’t measure”

Peter Drucker 1909-2005

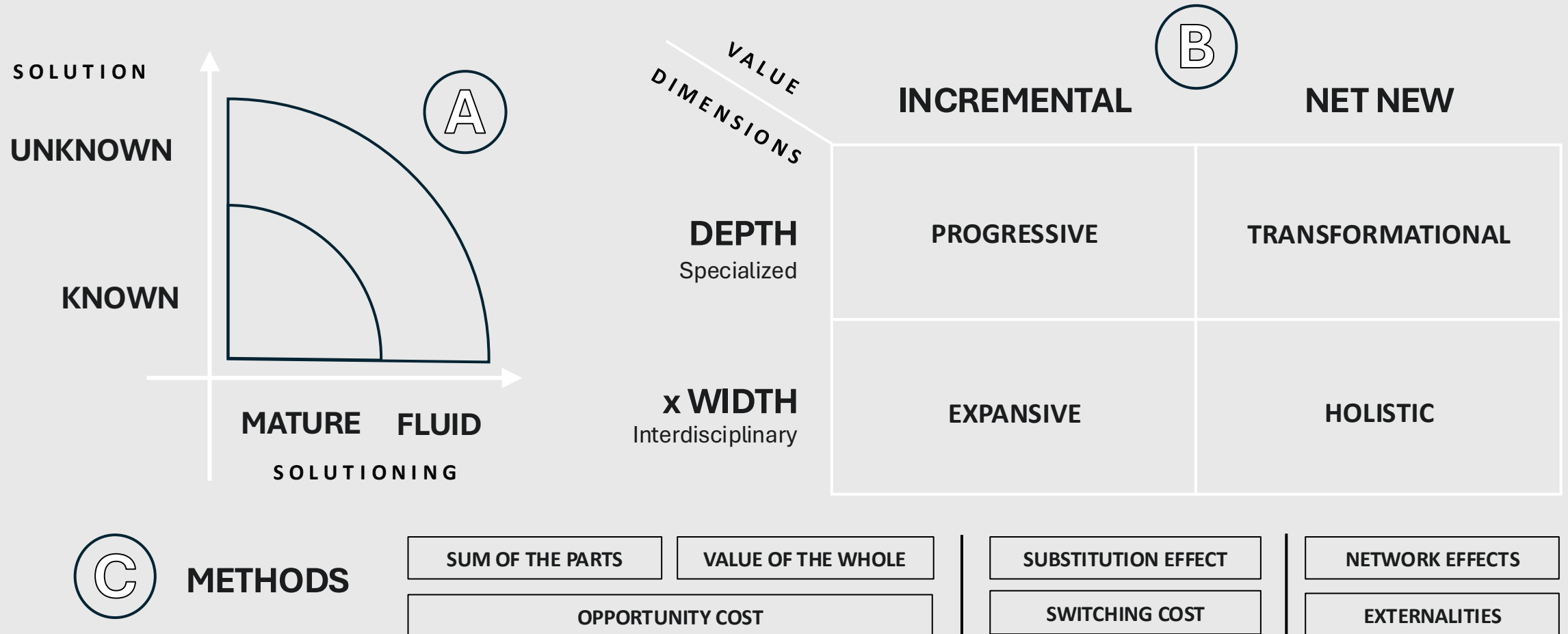


“This expression emphasizes the importance of quantifying performance or behavior in order to **understand**, **control**, and **improve** it—especially relevant in fields like **human-centered design** and **AI systems**.”



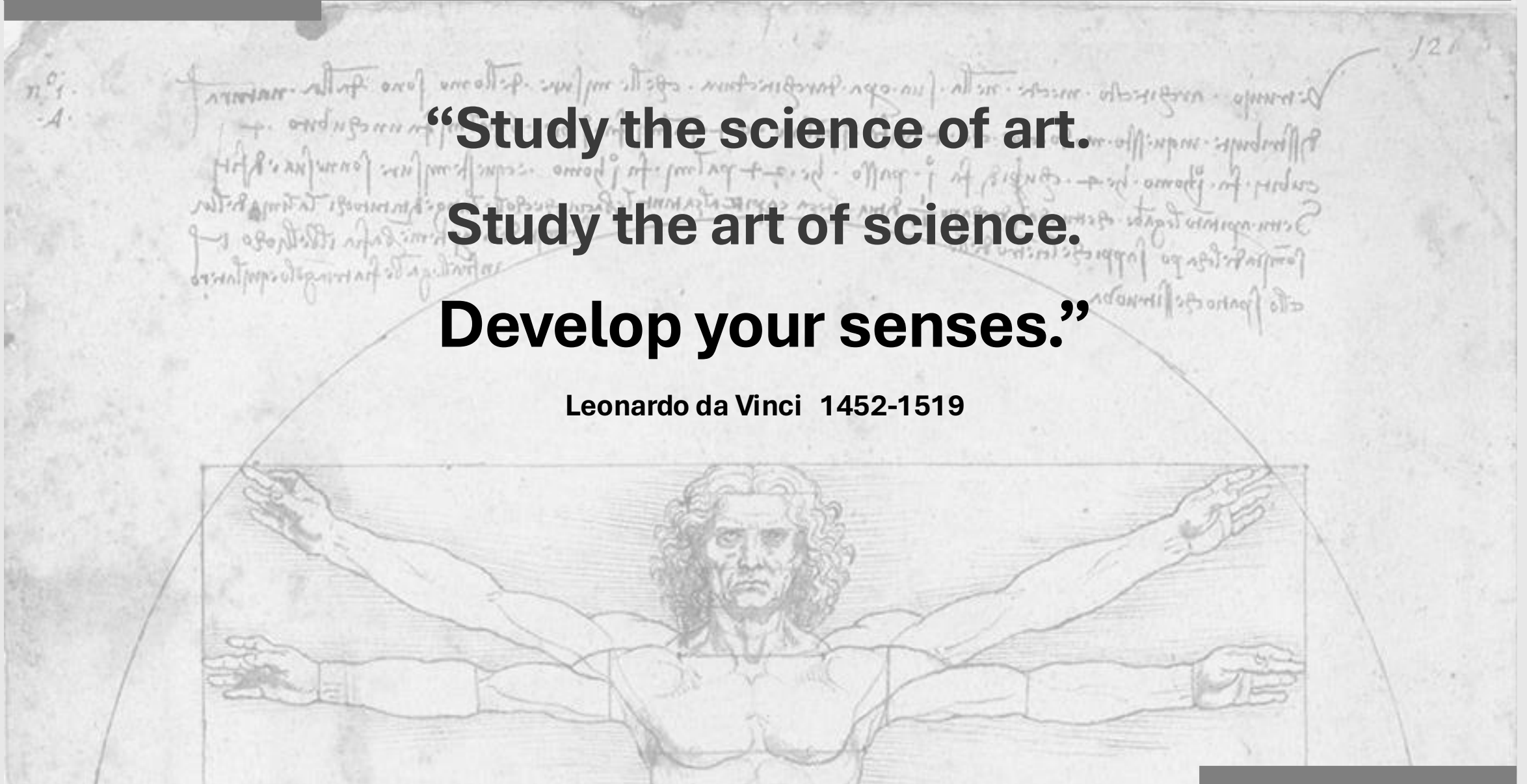
Microsoft Copilot

# IVF | INTELLIGENCE VALUATION FRAMEWORK



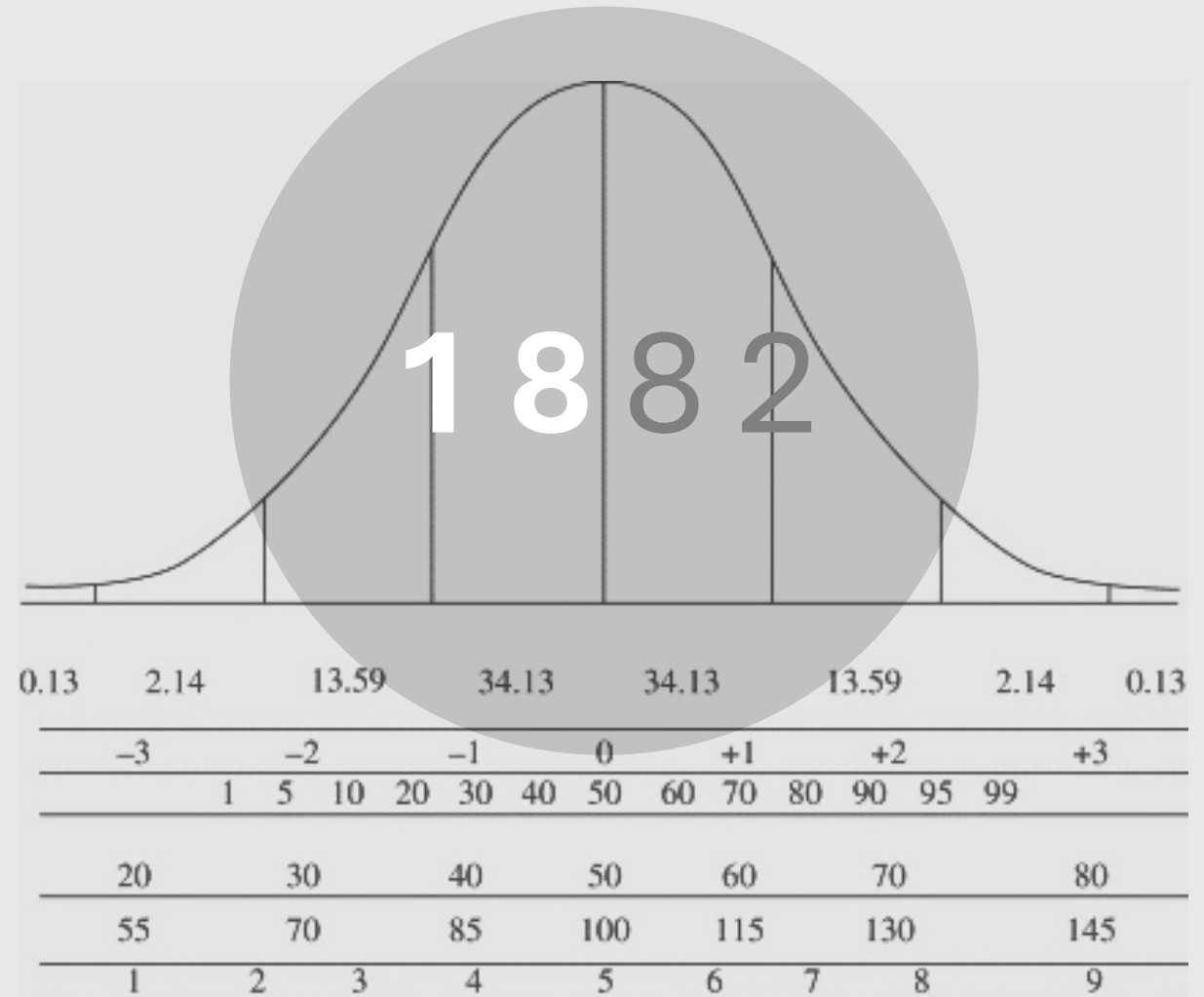
# Human Scale Intro





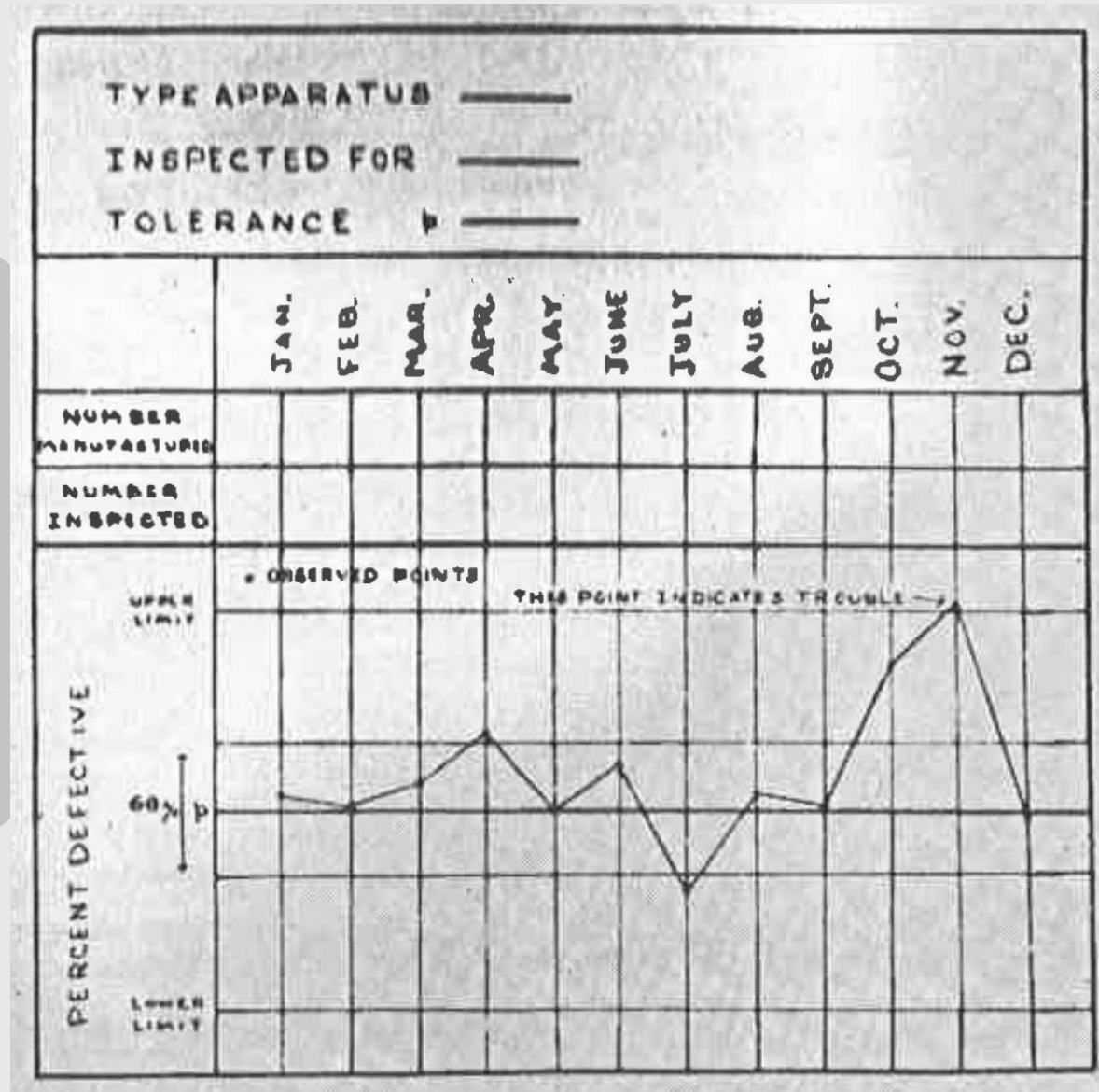
## Intelligence:

“Ability to  
derive information,  
learn from experience,  
adapt to the environment,  
understand and correctly  
utilize thought and reason.”



<https://dictionary.apa.org/intelligence>

1924



1924 | SPC, Statistical Process Control

1948 | Information Theory

<https://historyofinformation.com/detail.php?id=588>
<https://deming.org/the-first-control-chart/>



1947

# Human Factors Engineering

Bell Labs' Fmr. User Preference Department

<https://www.nytimes.com/2013/02/09/business/ohn-e-karlin-who-led-the-way-to-all-digit-dialing-dies-at-94.html>



<https://sites.nd.edu/biomechanics-in-the-wild/2024/01/31/crash-test-dummies-more-than-just-a-convenient-substitution/>  
<https://www.aps.org/archives/publications/apsnews/2011/10/physicshistory.cfm>

# “The Imitation Game”

## “Can Machines Think?”

A. M. Turing | Computing Machinery and Intelligence

1950

<https://www.imdb.com/title/tt2084970/>

<https://academic.oup.com/mind/article-abstract/IX/236/433/986298?redirectedFrom=fulltext&log=alea>

<https://www.nationalgeographic.com/science/article/alan-turing-test-artificial-intelligence-life-history>



Monday afternoon

December 9

3:45 p.m. / arena

Chairman:

**DR. D. C. ENGELBART**

Stanford Research Institute  
Menlo Park, California

## a research center for augmenting human intellect

This session is entirely devoted to a presentation by Dr. Engelbart on a computer-based, interactive, multiconsole display system which is being developed at Stanford Research Institute under the sponsorship of ARPA, NASA and RADC. The system is being used as an experimental laboratory for investigating principles by which interactive computer aids can augment intellectual capability. The techniques which are being described will, themselves, be used to augment presentation. The session will use a on-line closed circuit television hook-up to the SRI computing system in Menlo Park. Following the presentation remote terminals to the system, in operation, may be viewed during the remainder of the conference in a special room set aside for that purpose.

1968

## THE MOTHER OF ALL DEMOS

Mouse

Windowed Interfaces

Video conferencing

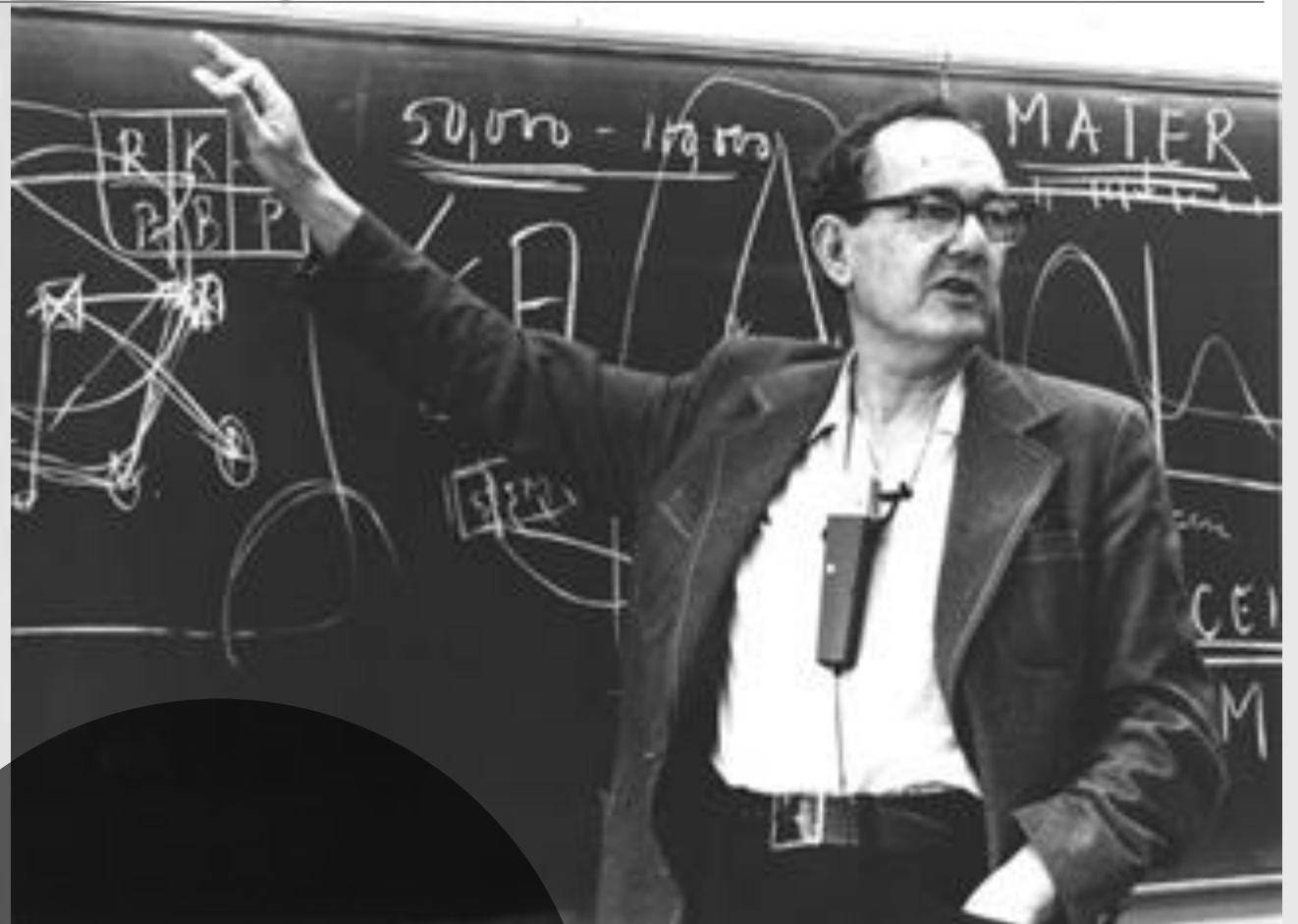
Hypertext

Collaborative real-time editing



<https://arstechnica.com/information-technology/2018/12/50-years-on-were-living-the-reality-first-shown-at-the-mother-of-all-demos/>  
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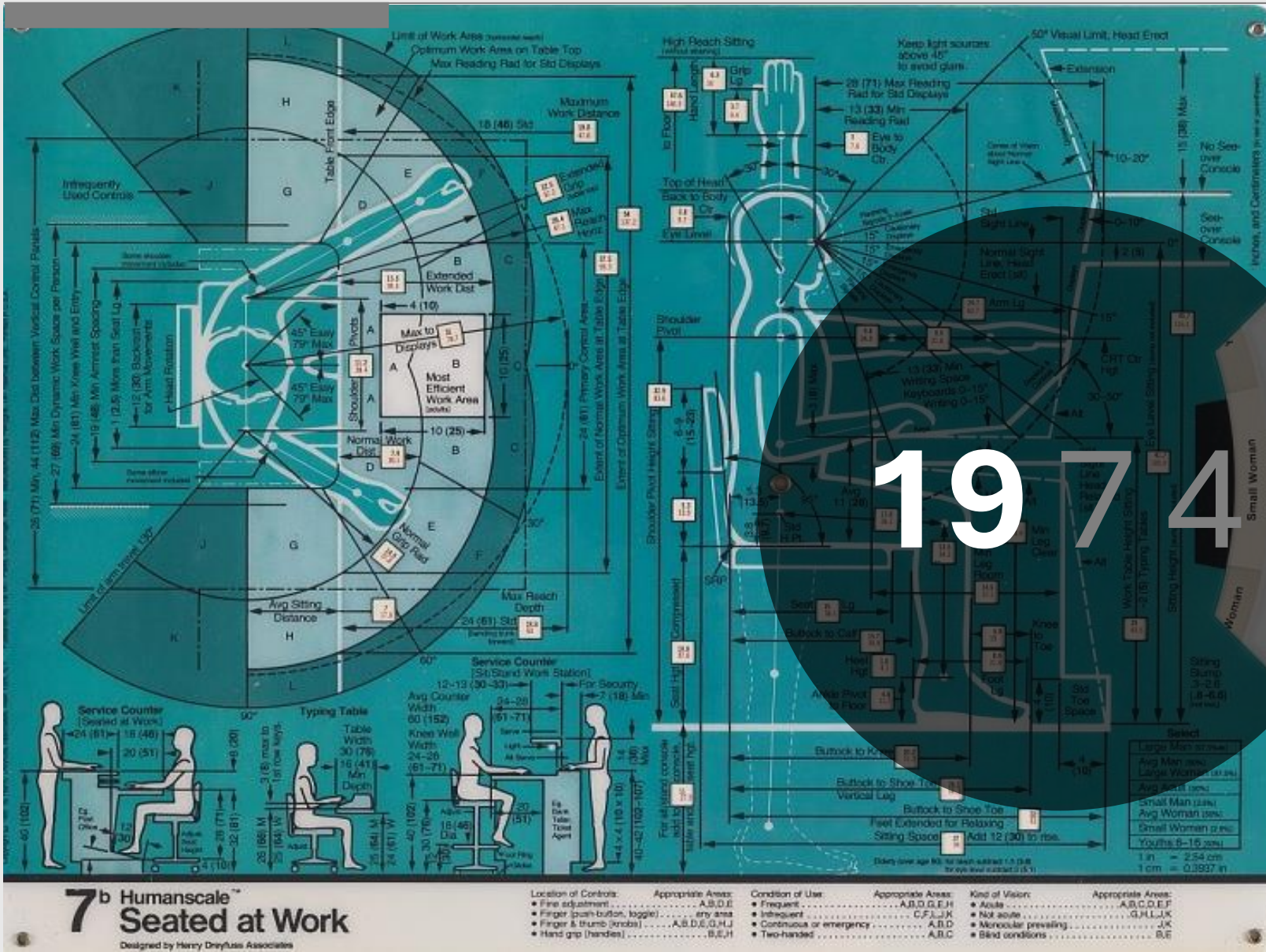
# The Sciences of the Artificial



1969

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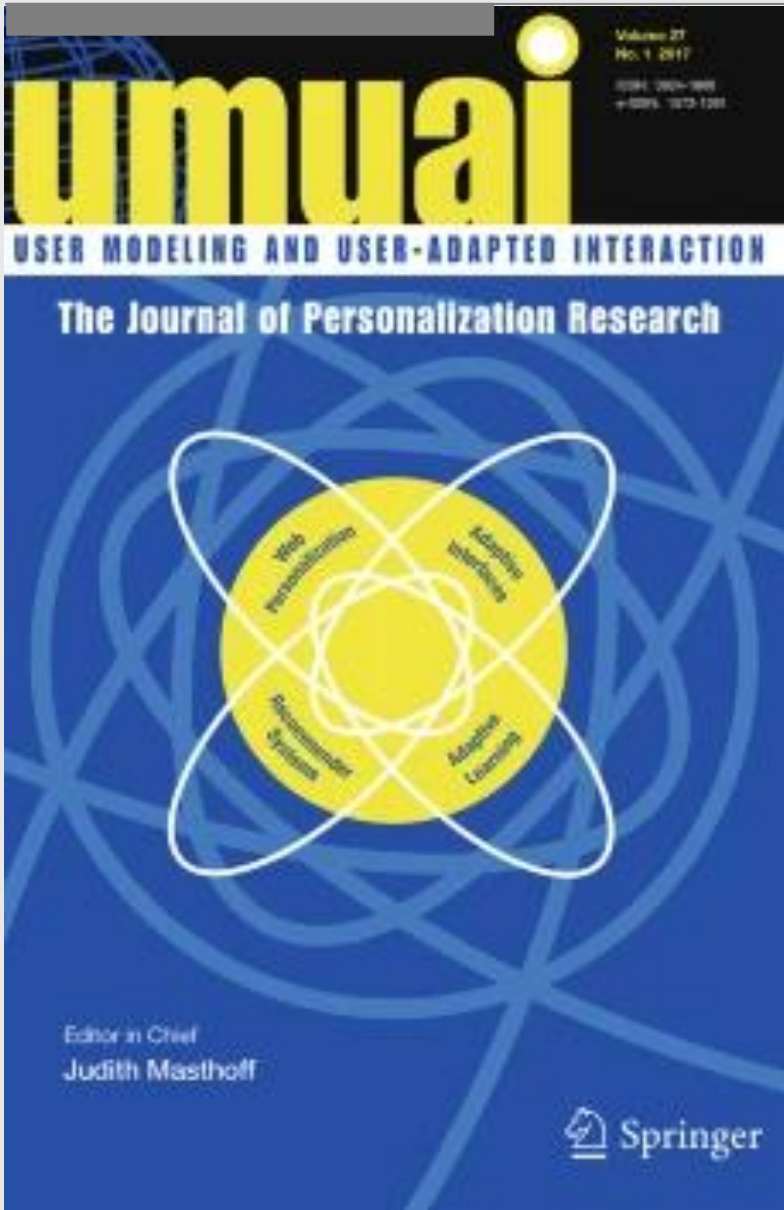




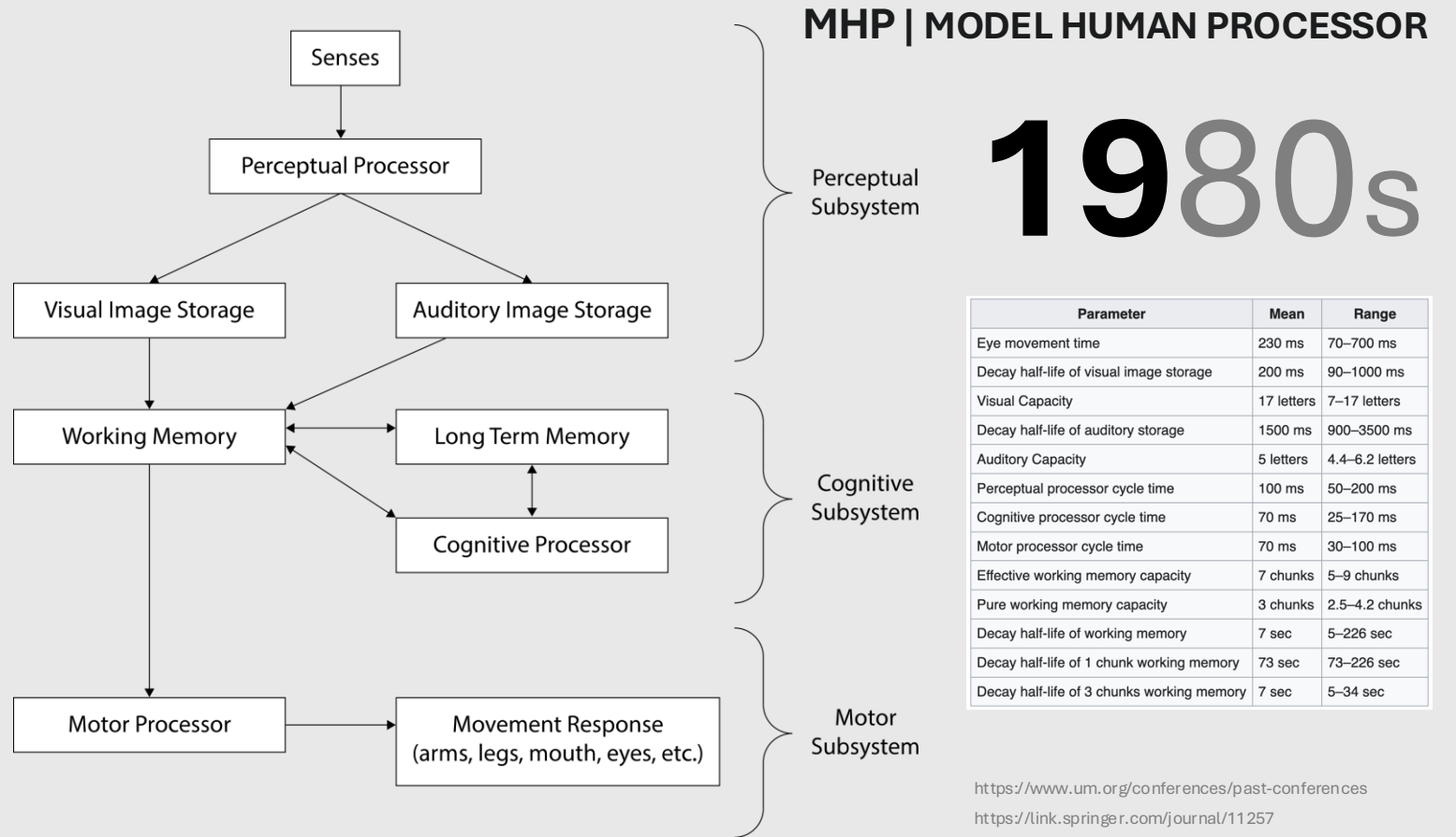
**“The best way to know what people want and need (...) is by understanding them”**

**Niels Diffrient 1928-2013**

[https://www.si.edu/object/chndm\\_15.2013.6](https://www.si.edu/object/chndm_15.2013.6)



**User Modeling and User-Adapted Interaction** provides an interdisciplinary forum for the dissemination of novel and significant original research results about interactive computer systems that can adapt themselves to their users, and on the design, use, and evaluation of user models for adaptation.



# SUS

SYSTEM USABILITY SCALE

# TLX

TASK LOAD INDEX

## NASA Task Load Index

Hart and Staveland's NASA Task Load Index (TLX) method assesses work load on five 7-point scales. Increments of high, medium and low estimates for each point result in 21 gradations on the scales.

|      |      |      |
|------|------|------|
| Name | Task | Date |
|------|------|------|

Mental Demand      How mentally demanding was the task?

Very Low      Very High

Physical Demand      How physically demanding was the task?

Very Low      Very High

Temporal Demand      How hurried or rushed was the pace of the task?

Very Low      Very High

Performance      How successful were you in accomplishing what you were asked to do?

Perfect      Failure

Effort      How hard did you have to work to accomplish your level of performance?

Very Low      Very High

Frustration      How insecure, discouraged, irritated, stressed, and annoyed were you?

Very Low      Very High

| The System Usability Scale<br>Standard Version |  | Strongly Disagree | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Strongly Agree |
|--|--|-------------------|---|---|---|---|---|----------------|
| 1  | I think that I would like to use this system frequently.                                   |                   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |                |
| 2  | I found the system unnecessarily complex.  |                   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |                |
| 3  | I thought the system was easy to use.  |                   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |                |
| 4  | I think that I would need the support of a technical person to be able to use this system. |                   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |                |
| 5  | I found the various functions in this system were well integrated.                         |                   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |                |
| 6  | I thought there was too much inconsistency in this system.                                 |                   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |                |
| 7  | I would imagine that most people would learn to use this system very quickly.              |                   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |                |
| 8  | I found the system very awkward to use.  |                   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |                |
| 9  | I felt very confident using the system.  |                   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |                |
| 10   | I needed to learn a lot of things before I could get going with this system.               |                   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |                |

# 1986

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/NASA-TLX>  
<https://uxpajournal.org/item-benchmarks-system-usability-scale-sus/>



**20**10s

# 2017

## People + AI Research

# Google

- Home
- Chapters
- Principles & Patterns
- Glossary
- Workshops
- Case Studies
- Blog



Updated

### User Needs + Defining Success

Understand people's experience of problems to decide if and how to use AI.



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### Data + Model Evolution

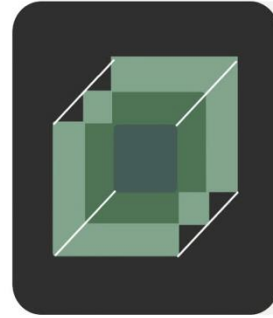
Getting your datasets & models ready for people.



Updated

### Mental Models + Expectations

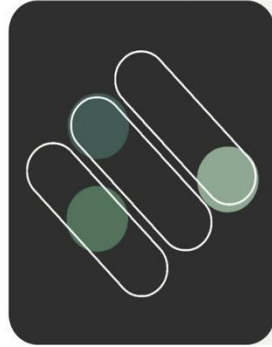
Understand people's perceptions to help them leverage your product's AI.



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### Trust + Explanations

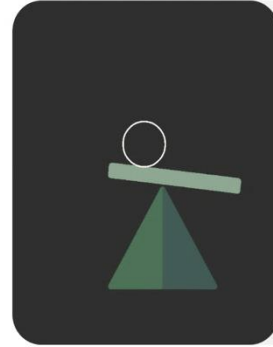
Help users build and calibrate their trust in your product's AI



Updated

### Feedback + Controls

Design feedback and control mechanisms to improve your AI and the user experience.



Updated

### Errors + Graceful Failures

Diagnose and manage errors from AI systems and context of use.

# 2020s

## Human Models Reloaded

<https://neurosymbolic-ai-journal.com/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KATyAqPgDXw>

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Gartner®

## Neuro-symbolic artificial intelligence

The combination of neural and symbolic techniques for accuracy, fluency and a way of inspecting data and relationships

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# 2025

## Metadata-conditioned generative models to synthesize anatomically-plausible 3D brain MRIs



**HAI** Stanford University  
 Human-Centered  
 Artificial Intelligence

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### Generative AI Is Helping Stanford Researchers Better Understand Brain Diseases

DATE OCTOBER 07, 2025

TOPICS GENERATIVE AI HEALTHCARE SCIENCES (SOCIAL, HEALTH, BIOLOGICAL, PHYSICAL)

“Synthetic brain MRI technology is supercharging computational neuroscience with massive data”

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/39208560/>

<https://hai.stanford.edu/news/generative-ai-is-helping-stanford-researchers-better-understand-brain-diseases>

<https://med.stanford.edu/news/all-news/2025/04/digital-twin.html>



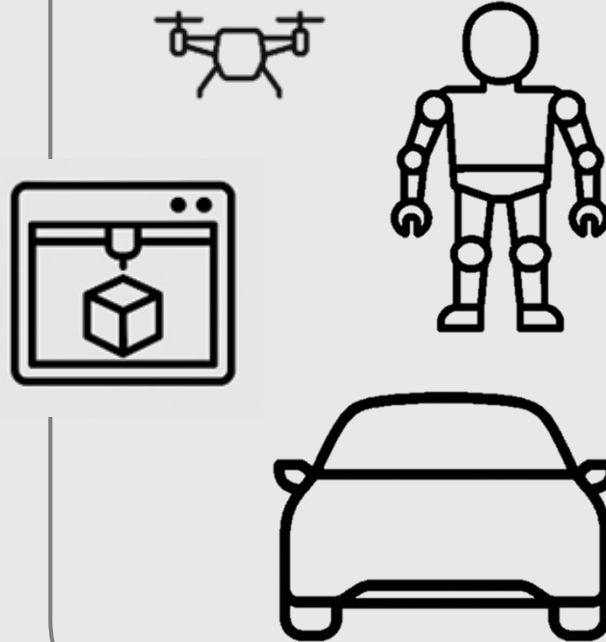
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# HMS | HUMAN MACHINE SYSTEMS

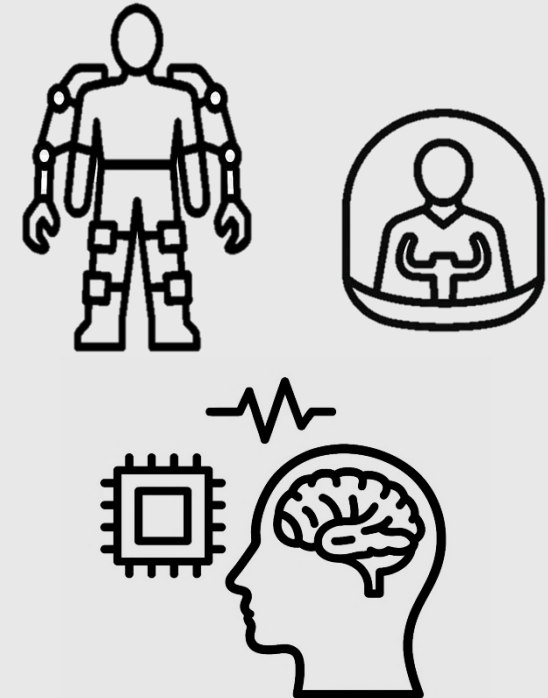
## EVERYDAY AI EXPERIENCES



## AUTONOMOUS & EMBODIED AI

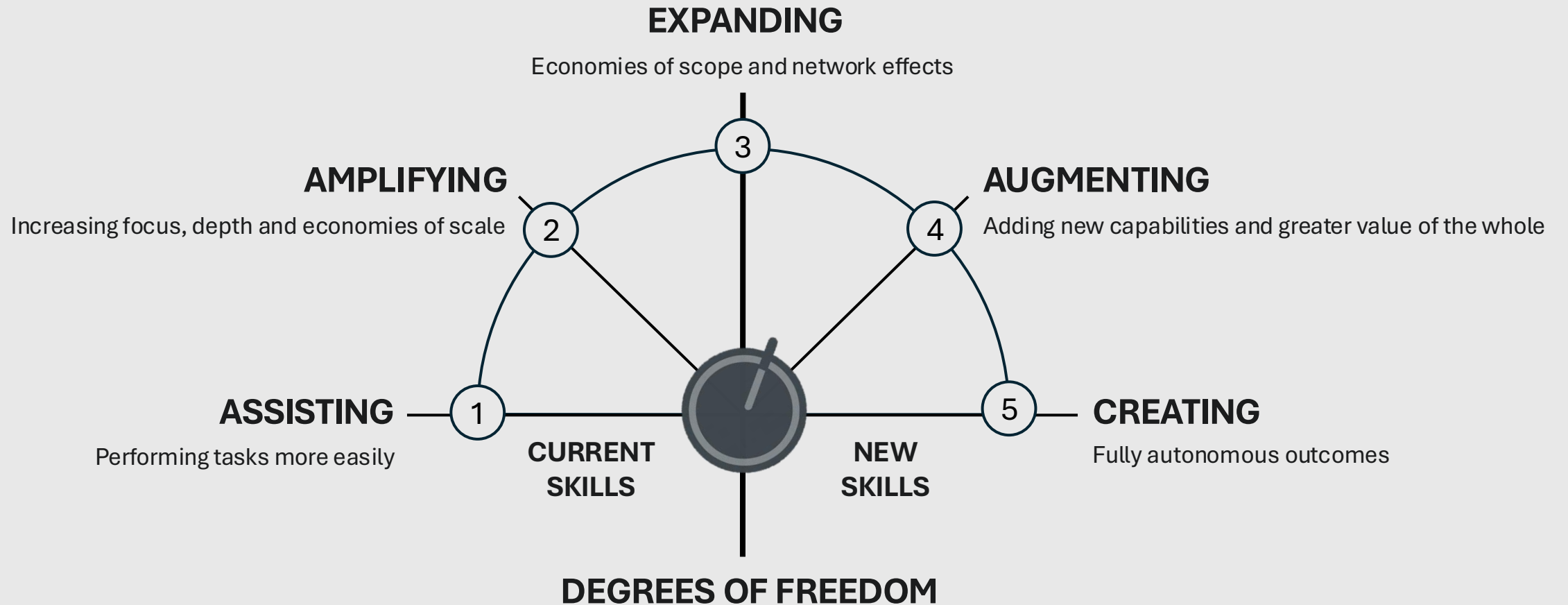


## HUMAN SYSTEMS INTEGRATION HSI

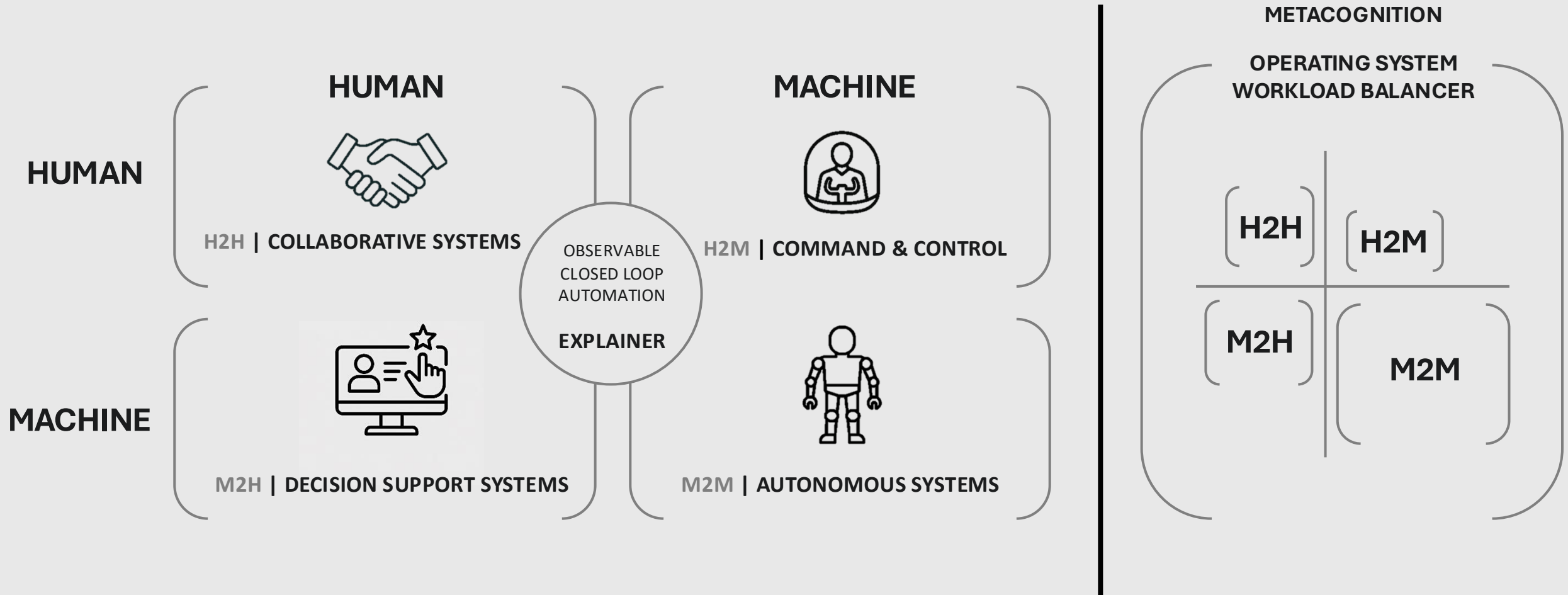


# ACC | AGENCY CONTINUUM CALIBRATION

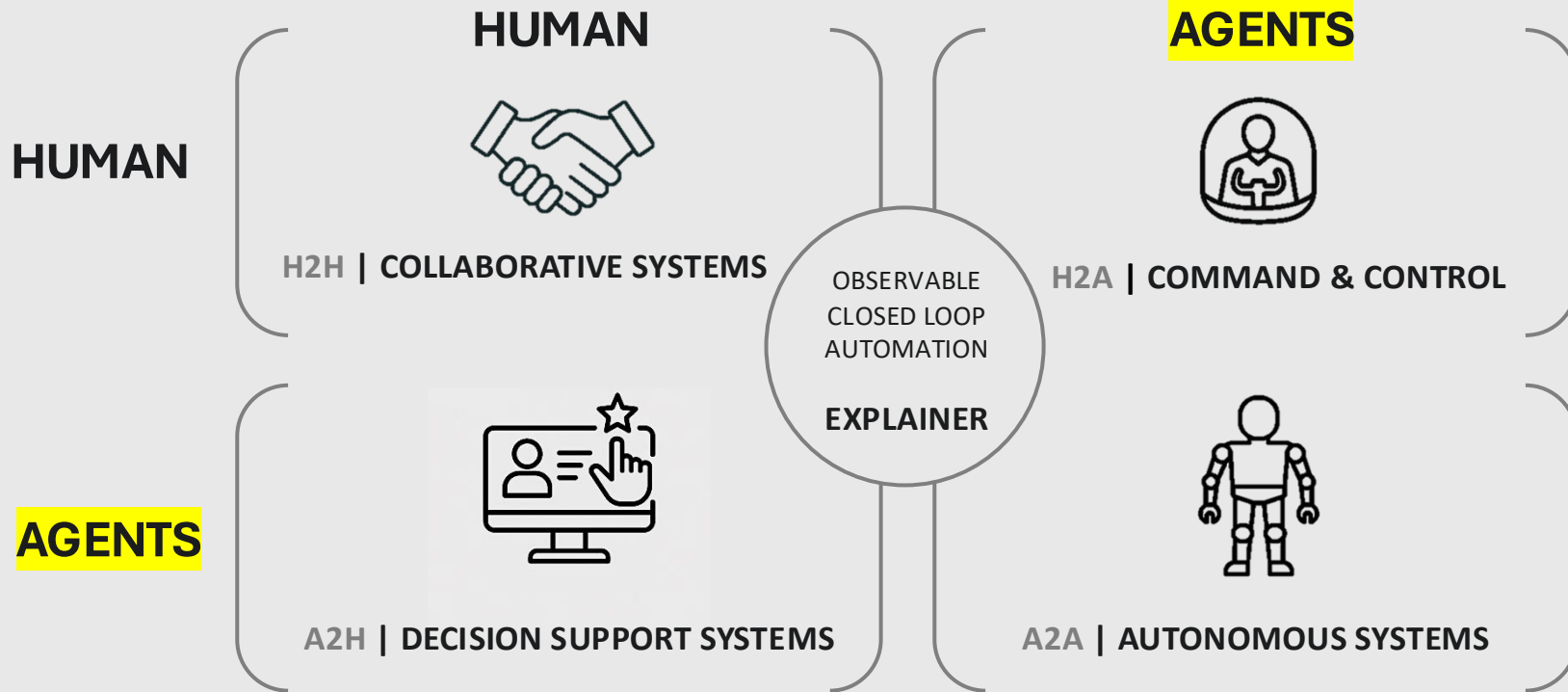
REVISITING JIDOKA | INTELLIGENT AUTOMATION



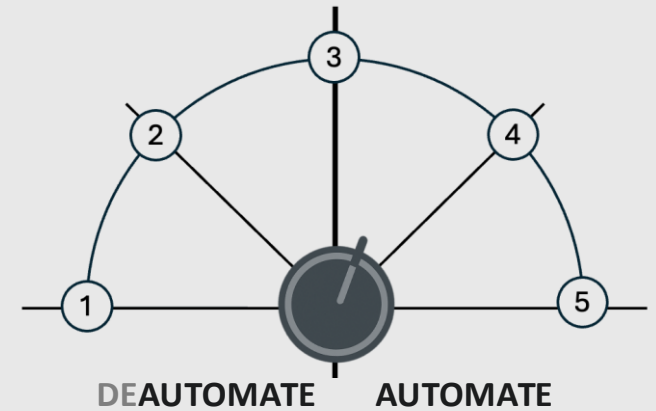
# HMS DESIGN | DYNAMIC SYSTEM MODELING



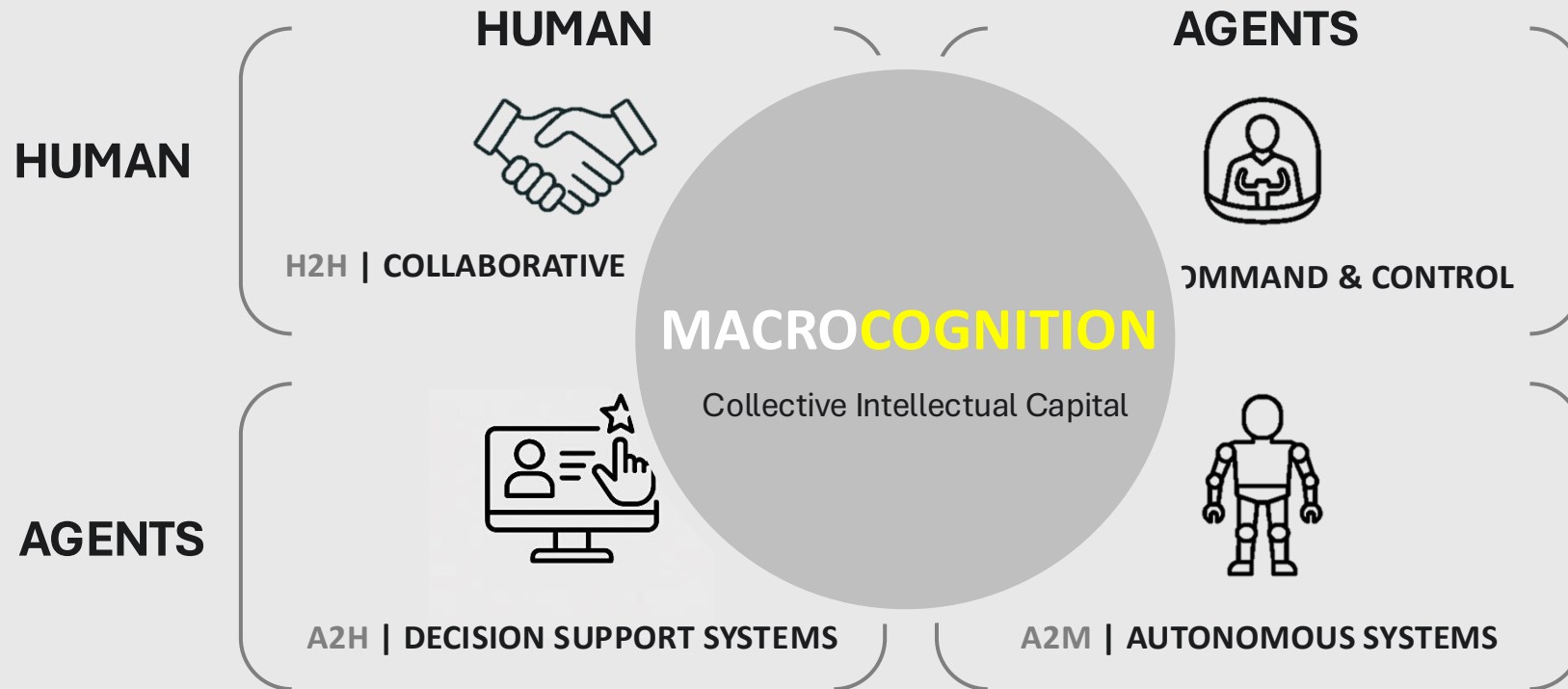
# ADAPTABLE MACHINE AGENCY



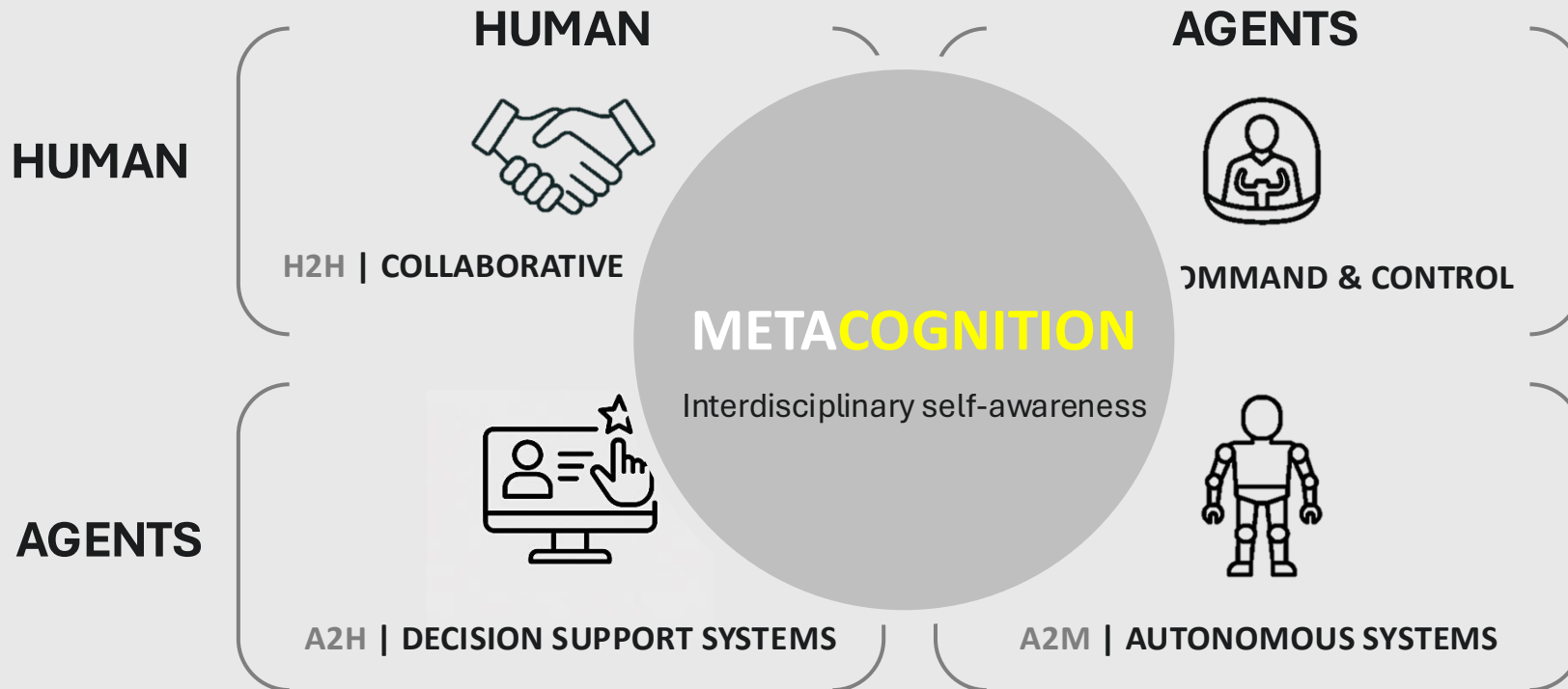
## CONTINUUM CALIBRATION



# COLLECTIVE INTELLIGENCE

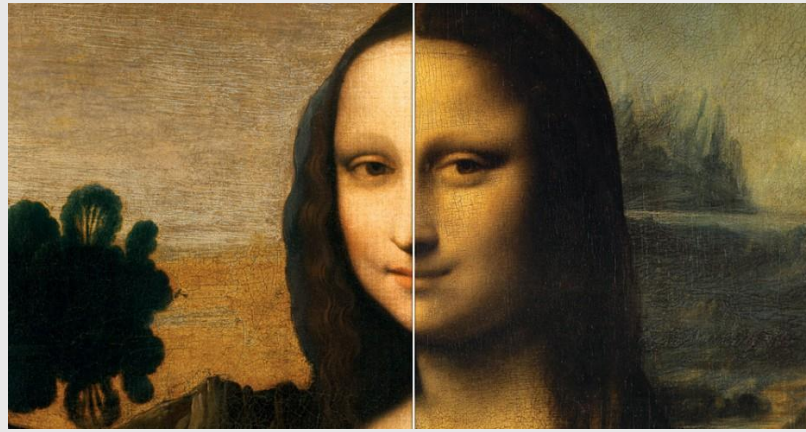


# BLENDED INTELLIGENCE





<https://monalisa.org/2012/09/10/the-raphael-sketch/>



[https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Mona\\_Lisa\\_\(Prado\)&oldid=1314024846](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Mona_Lisa_(Prado)&oldid=1314024846)

<https://monalisa.org/2013/03/20/summary-of-critical-comparison/>



# NON-LINEAR DIMENSIONALITY MANAGEMENT

TEST ORIENTED  
PROGRESSIVE  
PROTOTYPING

FEATURE RICHNESS

LOWER

GREATER

GREATER

SOME POINT SOLUTION  
HIGH FIDELITY BETAS

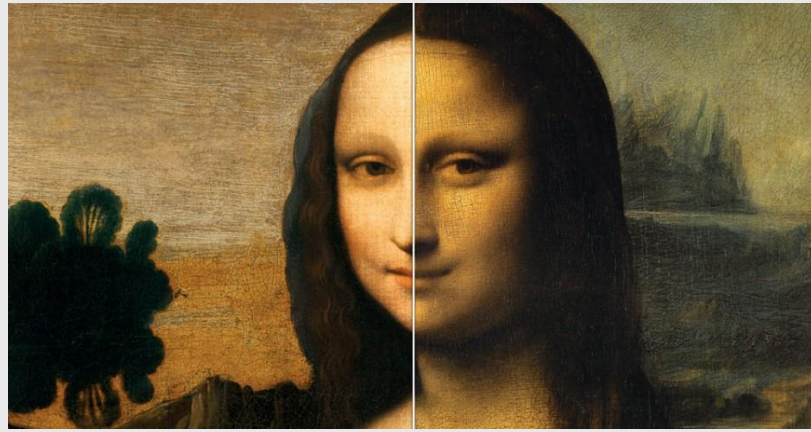
A/B BLUEPRINT MODELS  
"DOING THINGS RIGHT"

RESOLUTION

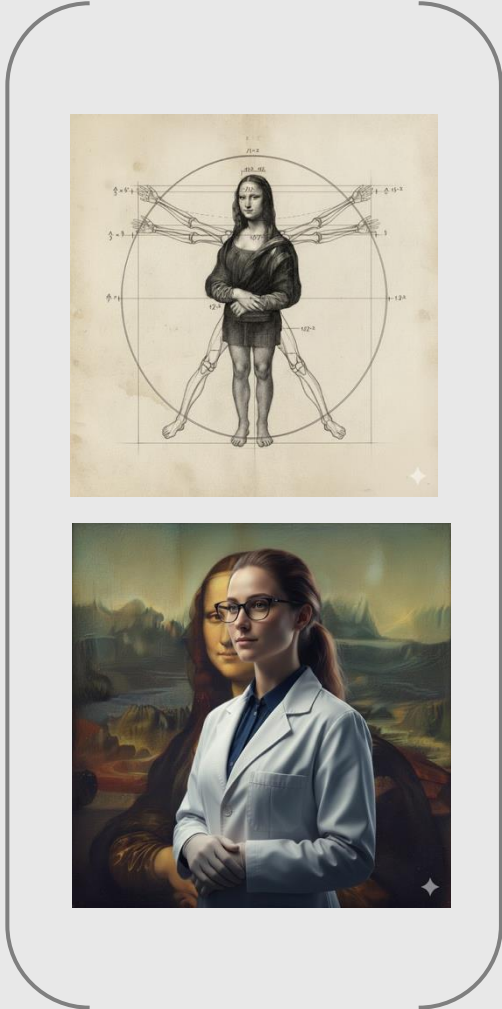
LOWER

MANY  
LEFT SHIFT LOW FIDELITY MODELS  
"DOING THE RIGHT THING"

SOME END-TO-END  
MID FIDELITY BETAS



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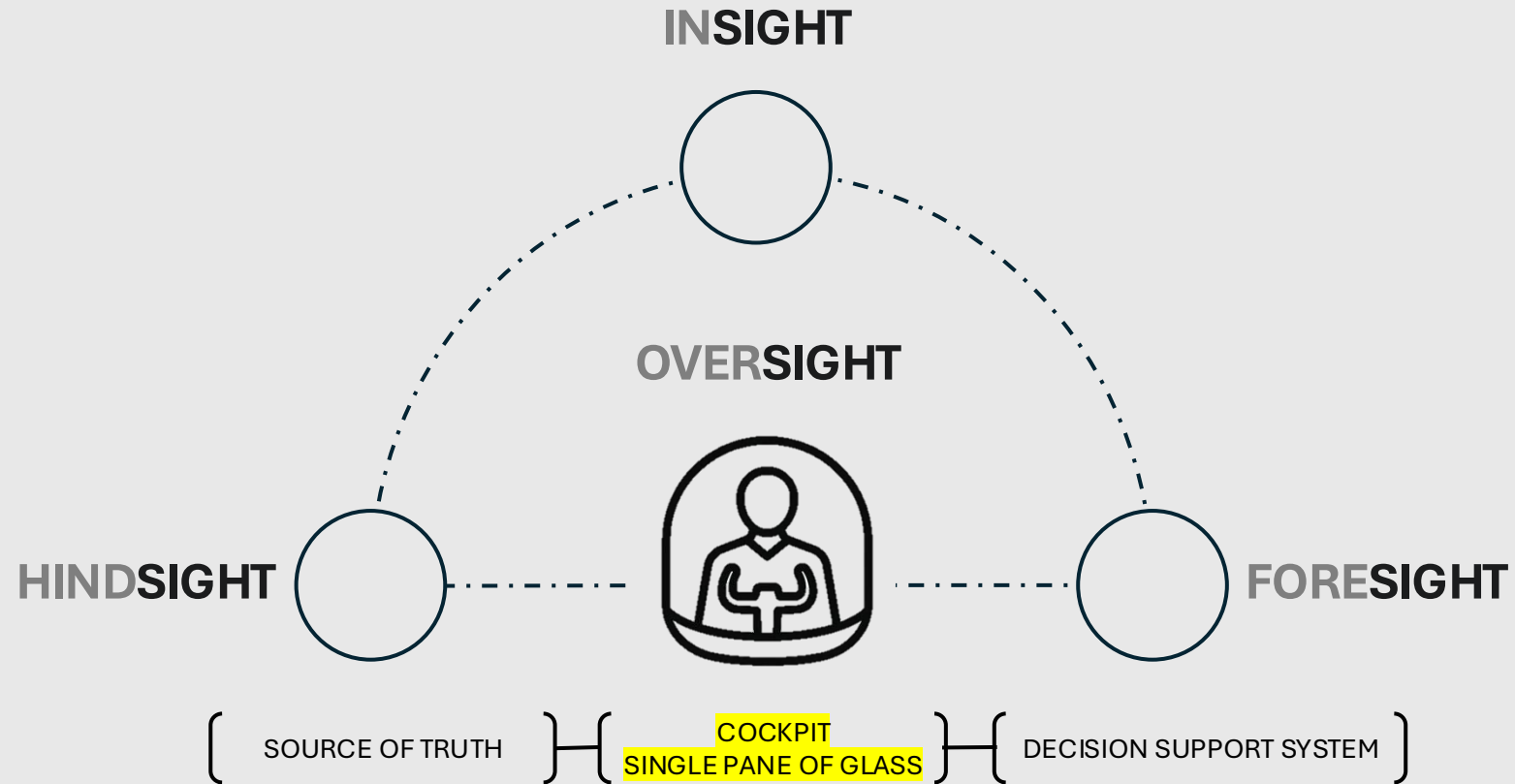


Gemini 2.5 Flash

# HUMAN

# IN : ON

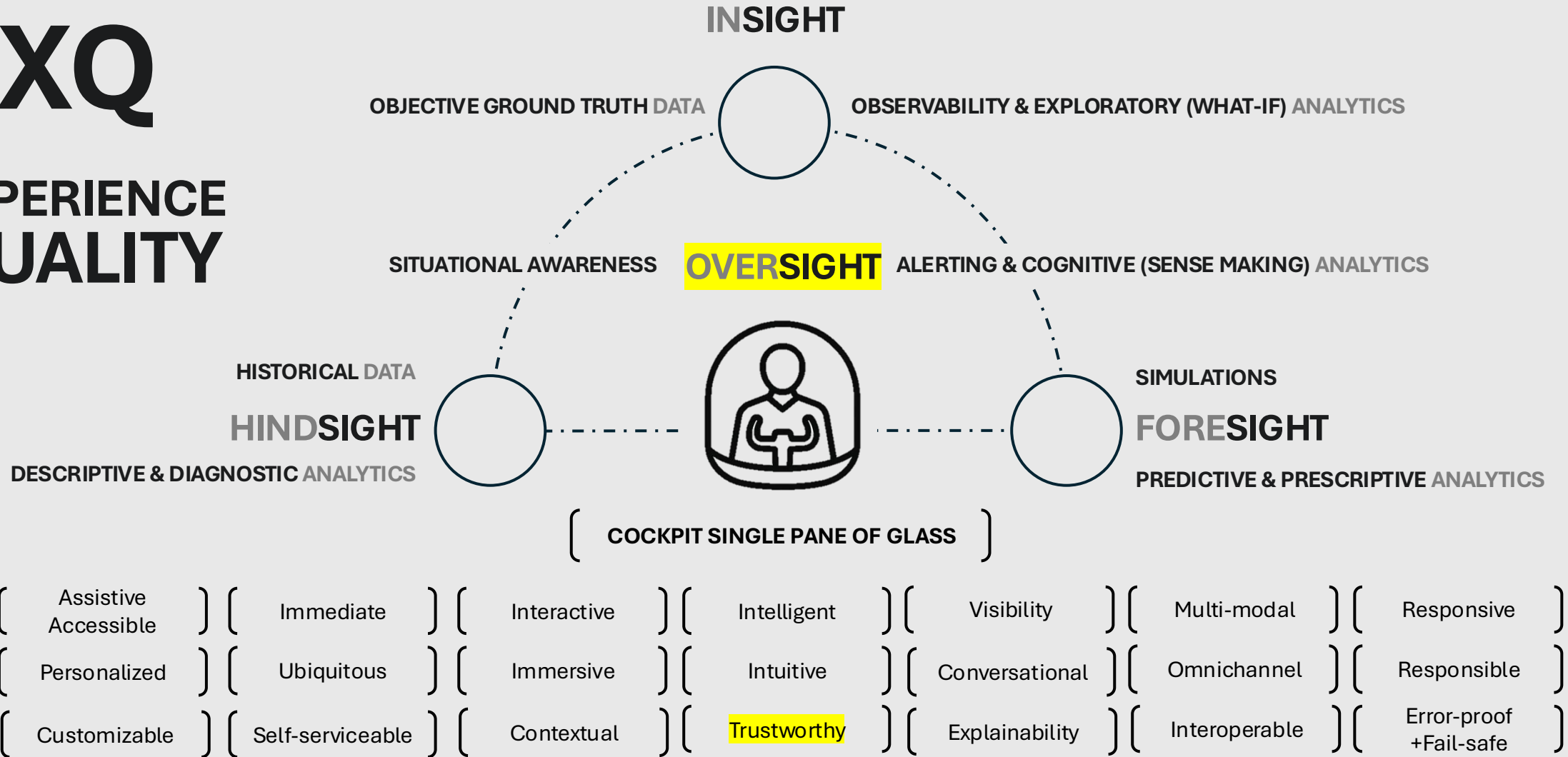
## CLOSED LOOP AUTONOMATION



“Humans must remain the ultimate decision-makers in all AI-supported systems.”\*

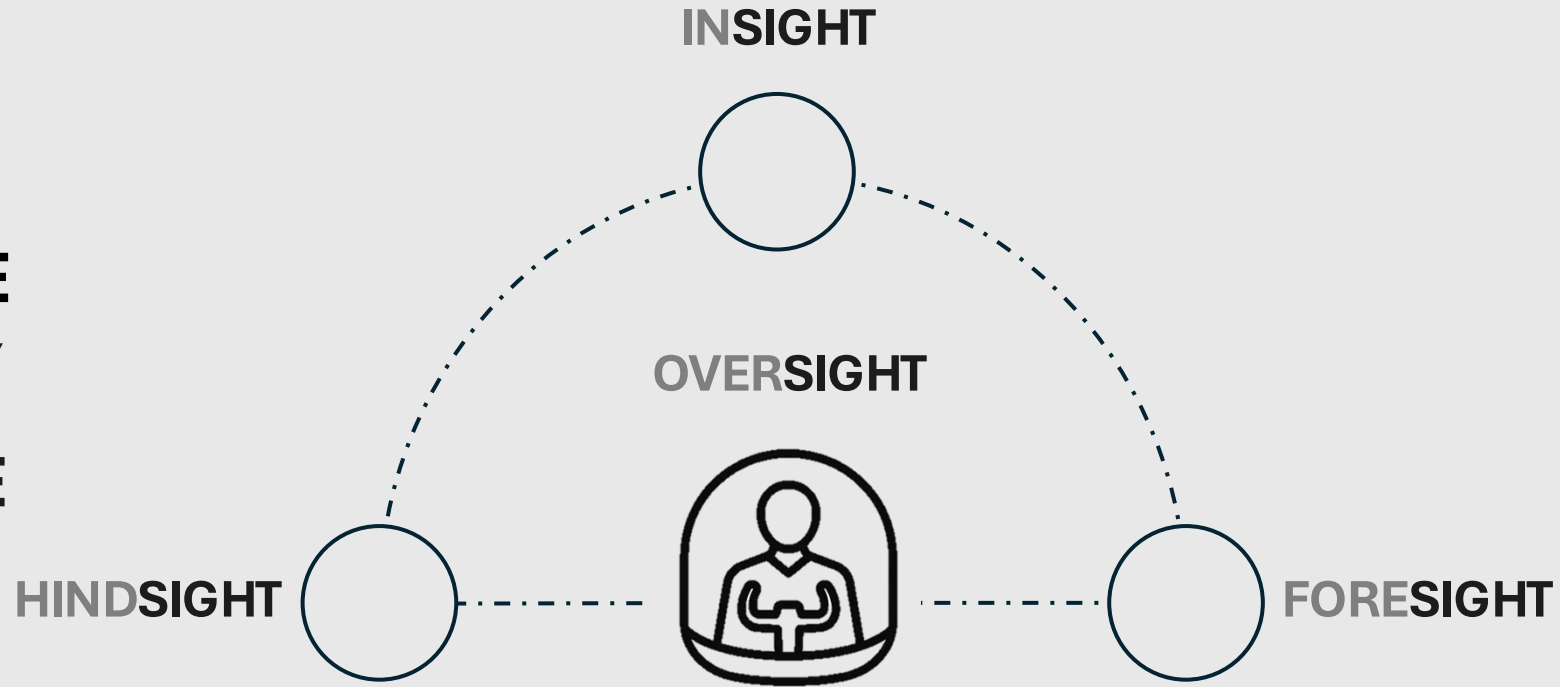
# XQ

## EXPERIENCE QUALITY

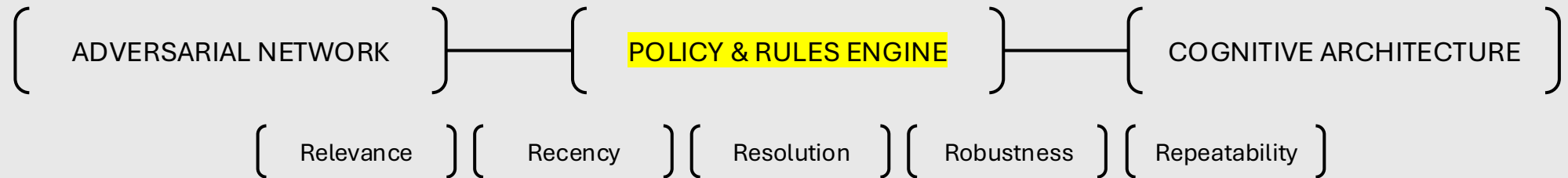


# X-QA

**EXPERIENCE  
QUALITY  
ASSURANCE**



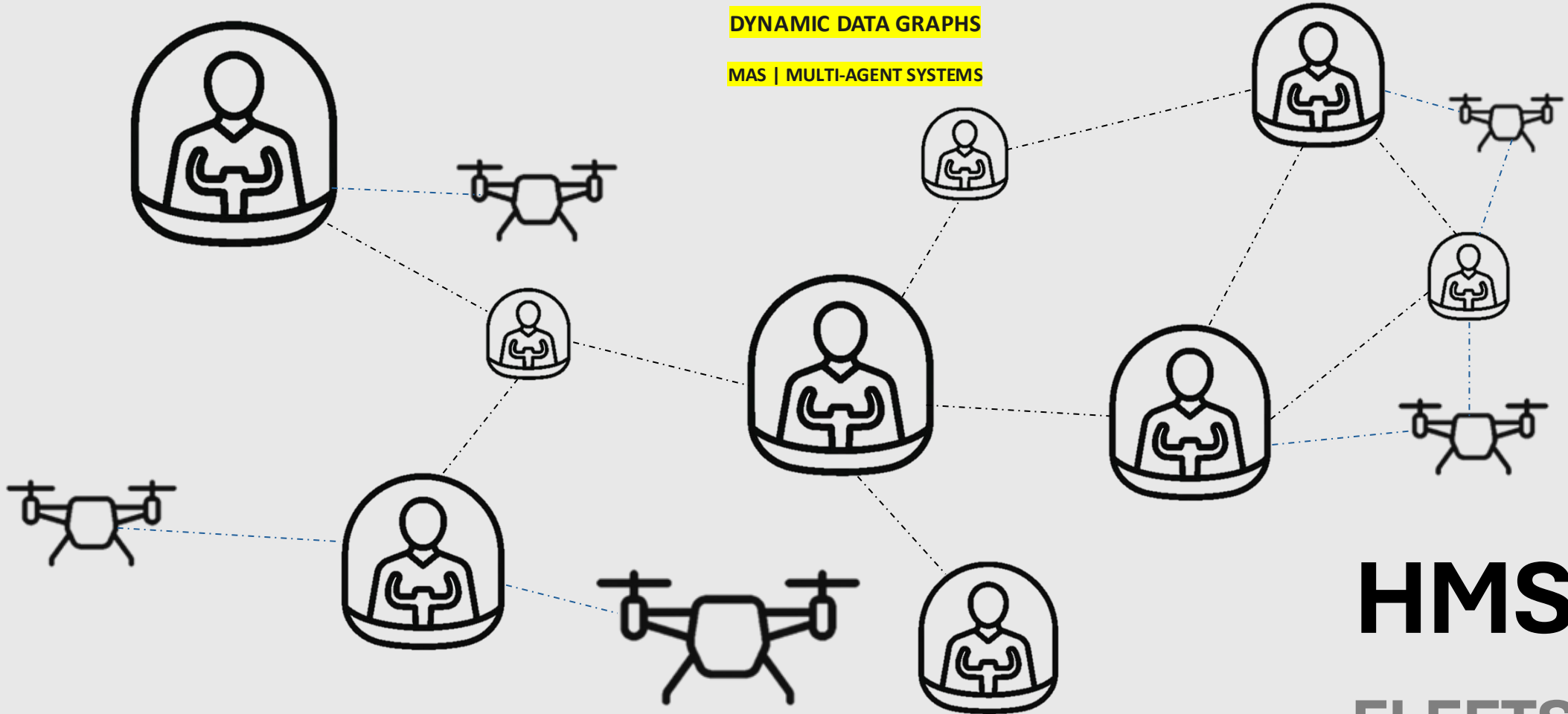
## GRC | GOVERNANCE, RISK, COMPLIANCE



# COMPOUNDED NETWORK EFFECTS

DYNAMIC DATA GRAPHS

MAS | MULTI-AGENT SYSTEMS



# HMS FLEETS

**CX|UX TELEMETRY**

**DEEP UNDERSTANDING**

**INTELLIGENT AUTOMATION**



Instrumentation



From Data to Actionable Analytics



Human Machine System in Motion

PROFILE

- Demographics
- Segmentation
- Signals
- ...
- Lifecycle

USER MODEL

- Context
- Journey
- Behavioral
- ...
- Sentiment

HUMAN MODEL

- Culture
- Cognitive
- Affective
- ...
- Memory

Testing

Observability

Performance Assessment

Sensitivity Analysis

Anomaly Detection

Event Correlation

Root Cause Analysis

...

Lead User Innovation

Design to Value

MACHINE  
-BACK STAGE-

HUMAN  
-FRONT STAGE-

Compliance

Optimization

Feature Flagging

Robotic Process Automation

Preventive Maintenance

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Agent Modeling

Model Training

Assistive Tech

Basic Personalization

Advanced Personalization

Self-Service Customization

Channel Adaptation

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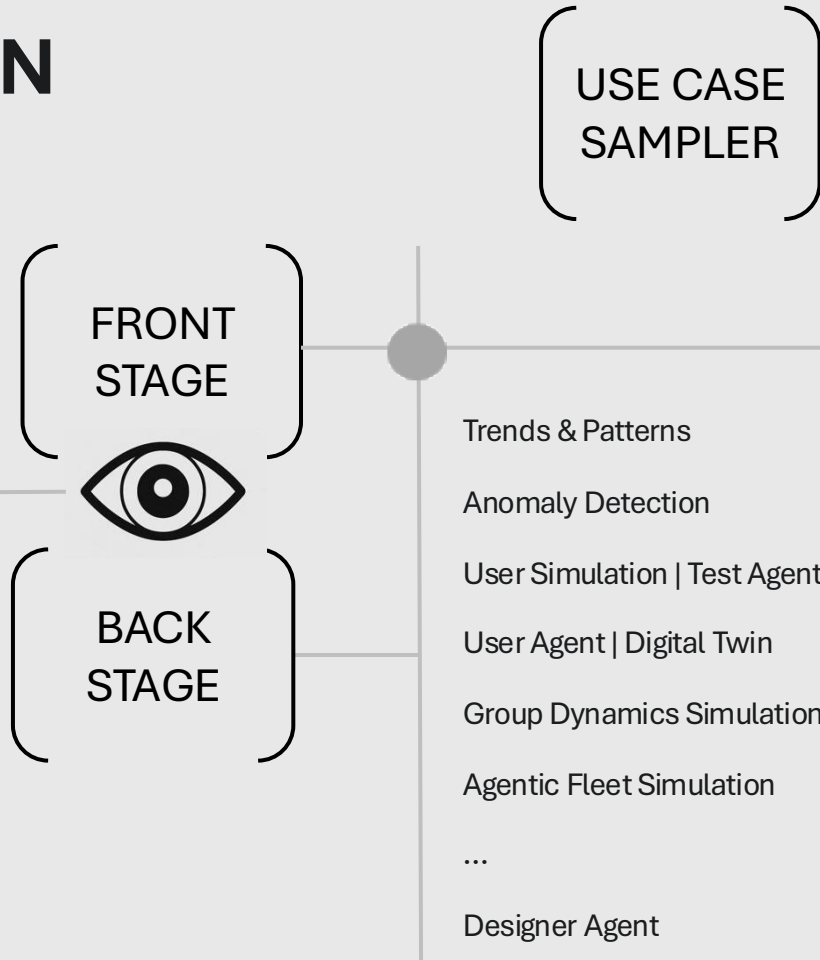
Connectedness

Collaboration

**CLOSED FEEDBACK LOOP**

# SERVICE DESIGN

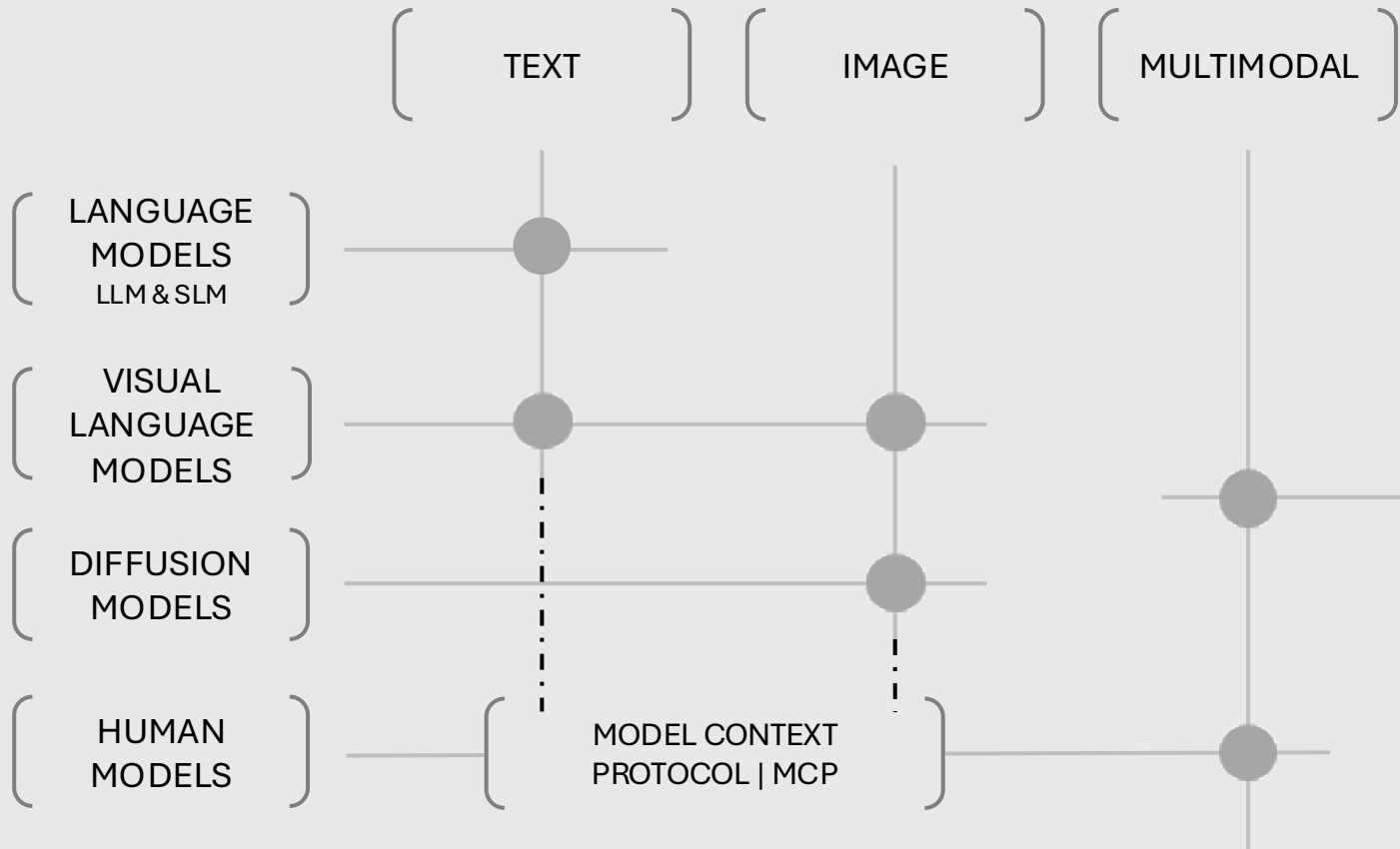
UX VISIBILITY LINE



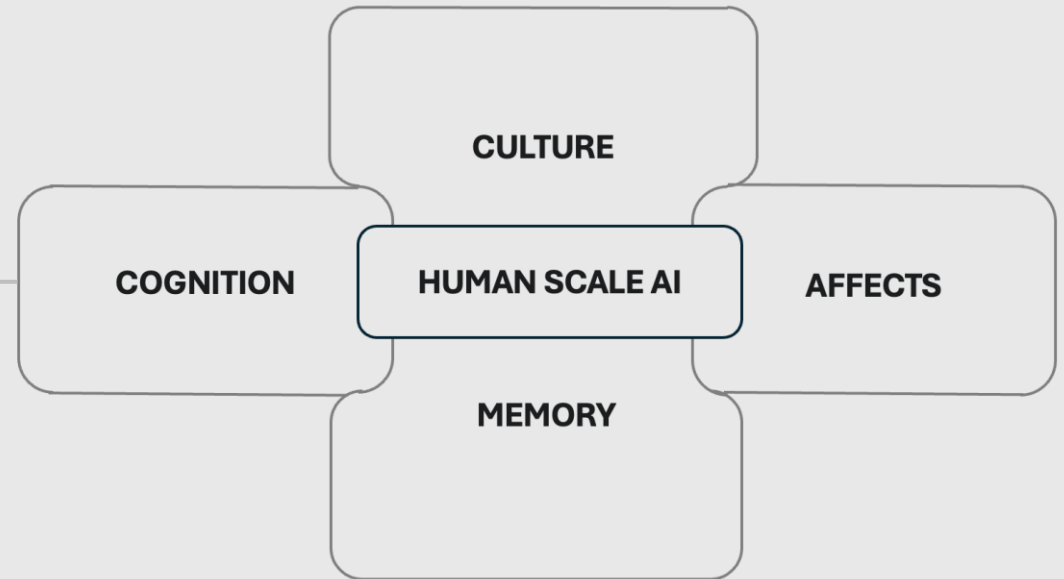
- Smart Reporting
- Situational Awareness
- Recommendations Engine
- Predictive Personalization (consumption, usage level, context, content, flow)
- Proactive Streamlining (VSM, RPA)
- Assistive & Support Tech
- Progressive Abstraction Levels and Disclosure
- Tailored CX-UX Journeys
- Dynamic Workflow Adaptation
- Decision Support Systems
- Root Cause Analysis
- Explainability
- Multimodal Interactive Infographics
- Guided Training & Gamification
- Preventive Maintenance
- ...
- **Unarticulated Need Discovery**



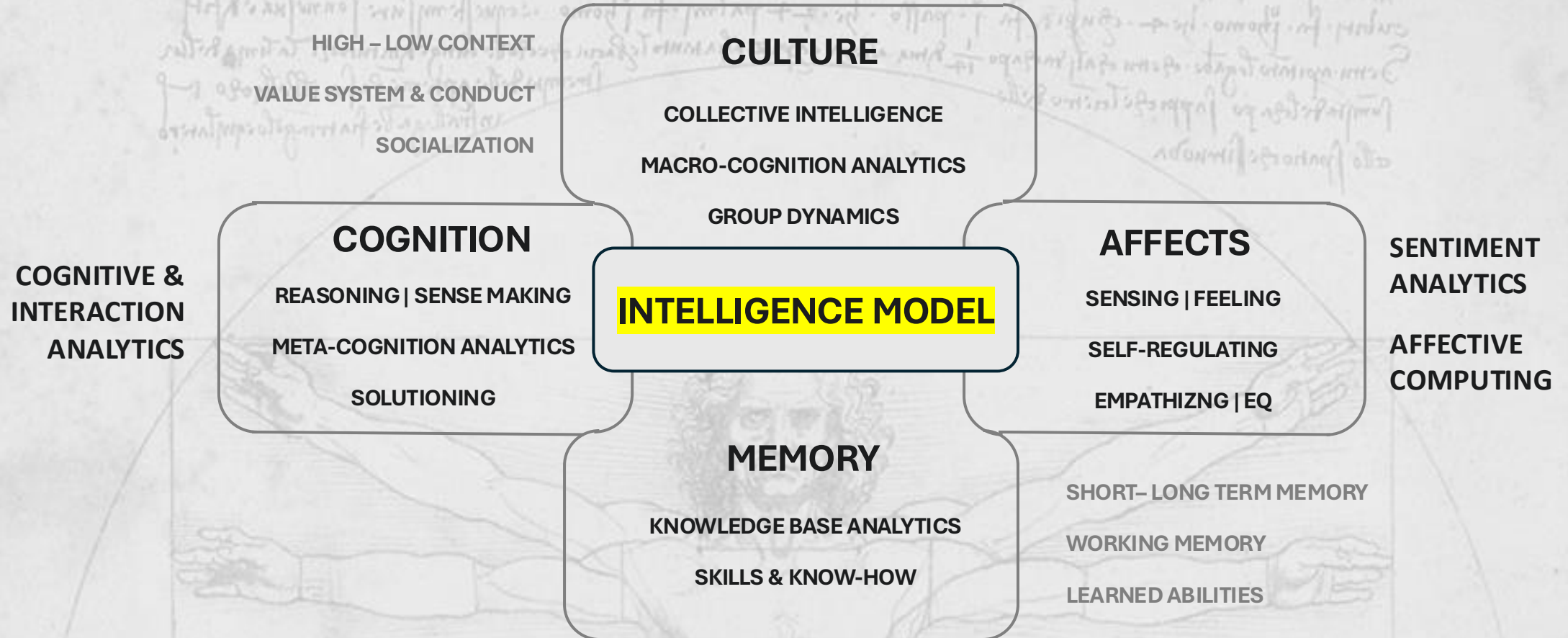
a key requirement that a user has but has **not yet expressed** or may not even be consciously aware of



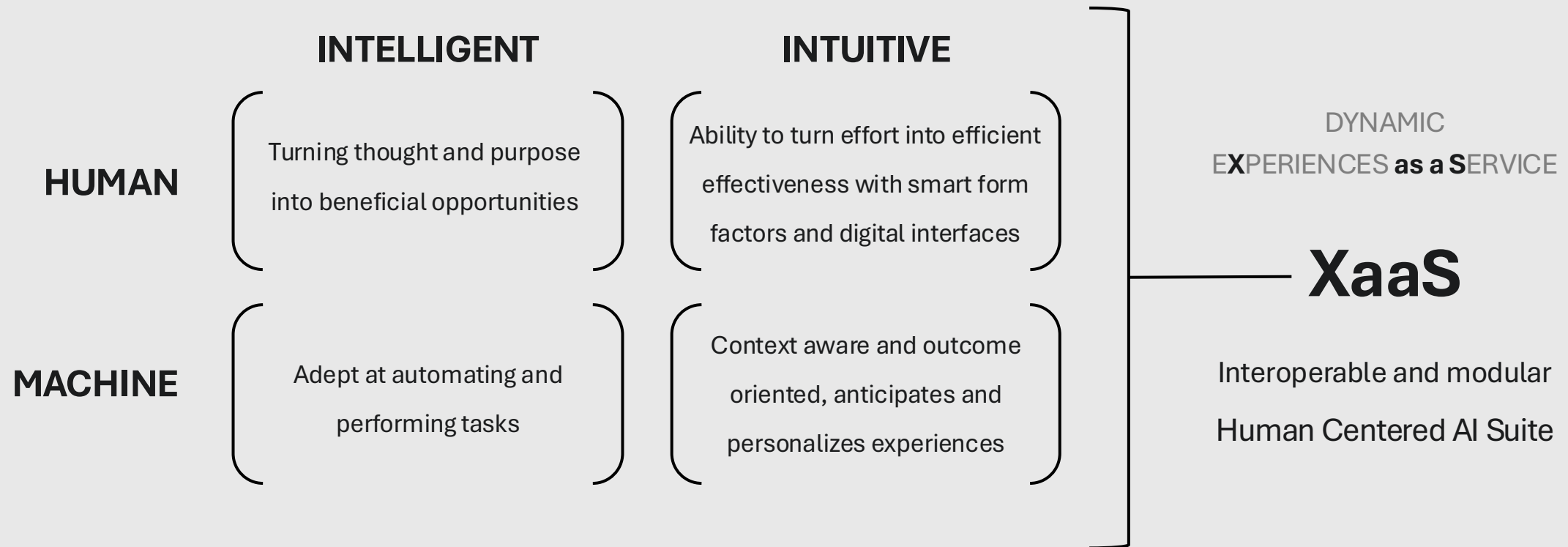
**Human Models** help bridge the gap between **technical systems** and **human needs**, making AI more usable, ethical, and effective.



# HUMAN MODEL & DIGITAL TWIN PROXY



# INTELLIGENT & INTUITIVE DIGITAL SERVICES SUITE



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**Task Canvas**

**Collab Display  
+ Files & Media**

**Mobile Devices**

**Agents**  
**Dedicated  
Display**

**Still using Post-it : )**

# I2DS2 CONCEPT DESIGN

Human Scale AI | Intelligent & Intuitive Digital Services Suite

Insight Driven | Outcome Oriented  
Personalized x Self-Service Customization

Dynamic Journey & Value Stream Mapping

Interactive Infographic Quality

Outcome and  
Process Modes



Agency, Resolution and  
Quality Grade Calibration

Layered See-through  
Info-Surfaces

Collaborative Multi-modal and Interlaced  
Conversations with Humans and Agents

ANYTIME | ANYWHERE | FORM FACTOR AGNOSTIC

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# SO WHAT?

1

**Hyper-Personalization at Scale**

Customers demand real-time, context-aware, personalized experiences across all channels. I2DS2 enables adaptive design with telemetry-driven personalization.

2

**Human-Centered AI and Compliance**

Regulatory frameworks require AI transparency and human oversight. I2DS2 embeds governance to ensure ethical, compliant experiences.

3

**Agentic AI and Multi-Agent Systems**

AI evolves into autonomous, collaborative agents managing complex workflows. I2DS2 orchestrates these systems for blended experiences.

4

**Cognitive and Affective Modeling**

Simulating user behavior with cognitive models and digital twins allows adaptive, predictive service design via I2DS2 with XaaS as the delivery model.

5

**Experience Economy and Invisible Tech**

Seamless, intuitive experiences surpass product features. XaaS and I2DS2 enable frictionless, interoperable, experience-driven services.



**Human Scale AI** represents a shift from technology-centric innovation to people-first design, where intelligent and intuitive services are built on deep user understanding, adaptive human models, and closed feedback loops—enabling organizations to deliver personalized, ethical, and scalable value-based experiences that drive trust, dynamic engagement, and long-term competitive advantages.

| Implications   | Why It Matters   | Call to Action  | Benefits  |
|--|--|---|---|
| <b>Human-Centered AI Design</b>                                  | Aligns AI systems with human needs, values, and cognitive models, reducing friction and increasing adoption.                               | Invest in user modeling and human-in-the-loop governance for all AI initiatives.  | Higher user trust, improved engagement, and competitive differentiation through superior UX.          |
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 Customers demand real-time, context-aware, personalized experiences across all channels. I2DS2 enables adaptive design with telemetry-driven personalization.
- 2 Human-Centered AI and Compliance**  
 Regulatory frameworks require AI transparency and human oversight. I2DS2 embeds governance to ensure ethical, compliant experiences.
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 AI evolves into autonomous, collaborative agents managing complex workflows. I2DS2 orchestrates these systems for blended experiences.
- 4 Cognitive and Affective Modeling**  
 Simulating user behavior with cognitive models and digital twins allows adaptive, predictive service design via I2DS2 with XaaS as the delivery model.
- 5 Experience Economy and Invisible Tech**  
 Seamless, intuitive experiences surpass product features. XaaS and I2DS2 enable frictionless, interoperable, experience-driven services.

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**Human Scale AI** represents a shift from technology-centric innovation to people-first design, where intelligent and intuitive services are built on deep user understanding, adaptive human models, and closed feedback loops—enabling organizations to deliver personalized, ethical, and scalable value-based experiences that drive trust, dynamic engagement, and long-term competitive advantages.

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When technology becomes invisible,  
the user experience is everything...

**“any sufficiently advanced technology is  
indistinguishable from magic.”**

**Arthur C. Clarke's Third Law**



# APPENDIX I

**Value is in the eyes of the beholder and always is a human consideration**

## GOOD DESIGN

## BETTER DESIGN

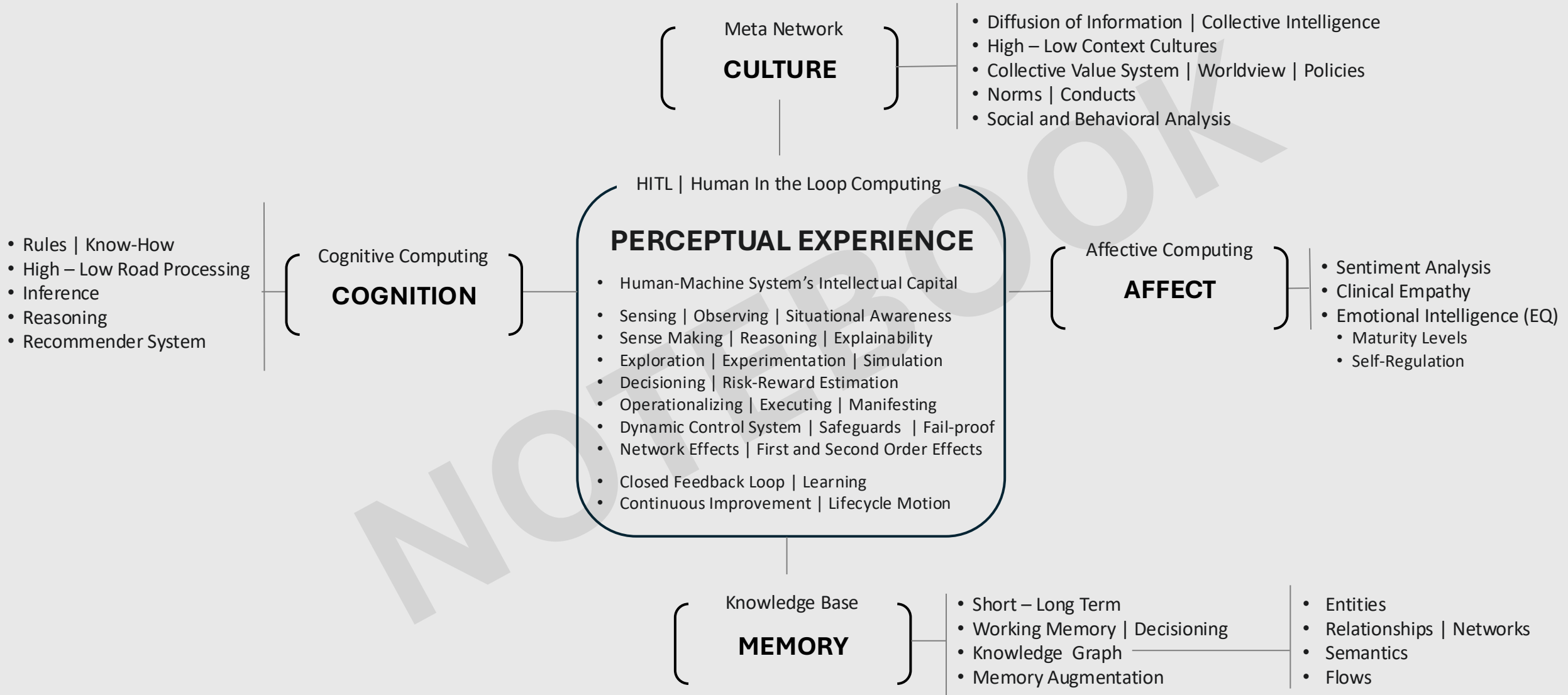
## BEST DESIGN

Creates a memorable impact, sets the standard and becomes iconic

Resonates and outcompetes

Closes gaps and meets expectations

AI's Experience Economy leverages **computational design** powered by **deep user understanding**



**ANALYTICS**

- Descriptive
- Diagnostic
- Predictive
- Prescriptive
- Exploratory
- Cognitive

**QUALITY ASSURANCE**

- Relevance
- Recency
- Resolution
- Robustness
- Reliability

- Hindsight
- Insight
- Foresight
- Oversight

**ACTIONABLE INSIGHTS**

- Rules | Know-How
- High – Low Road Processing
- Inference
- Reasoning
- Recommender System

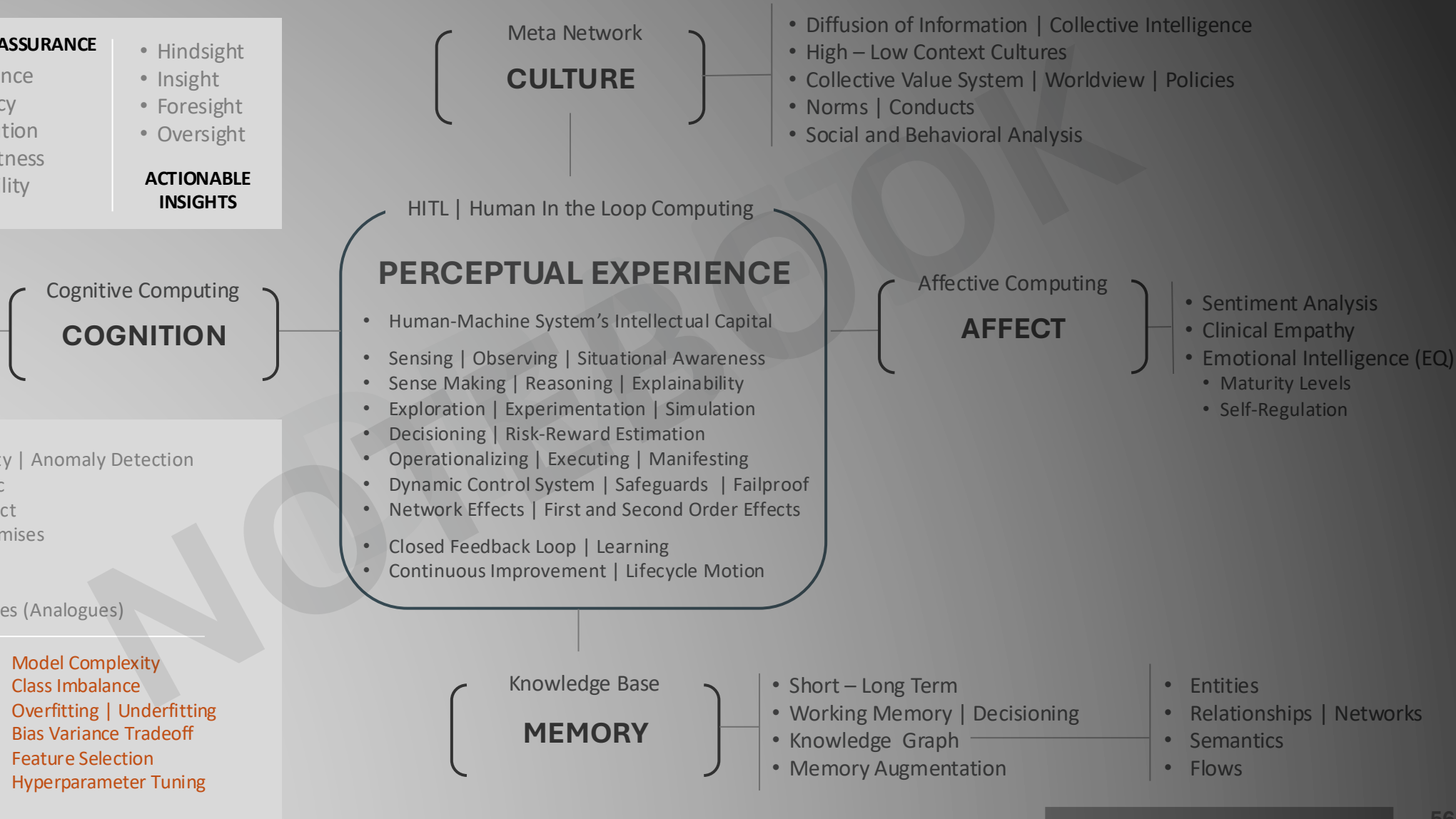
**REASONING TAXONOMY**

- Pattern | Outlier | Rarity | Anomaly Detection
- Statistical | Probabilistic
- Causal | Cause and Effect
- Deductive | Logical Premises
- Inductive | Correlation
- Abductive | Hypothesis
- Analogical | Comparables (Analogues)

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- Detrimental Bias
- Logical Fallacies
- Confusion Matrix
- Black Swan Effect

- Model Complexity
- Class Imbalance
- Overfitting | Underfitting
- Bias Variance Tradeoff
- Feature Selection
- Hyperparameter Tuning



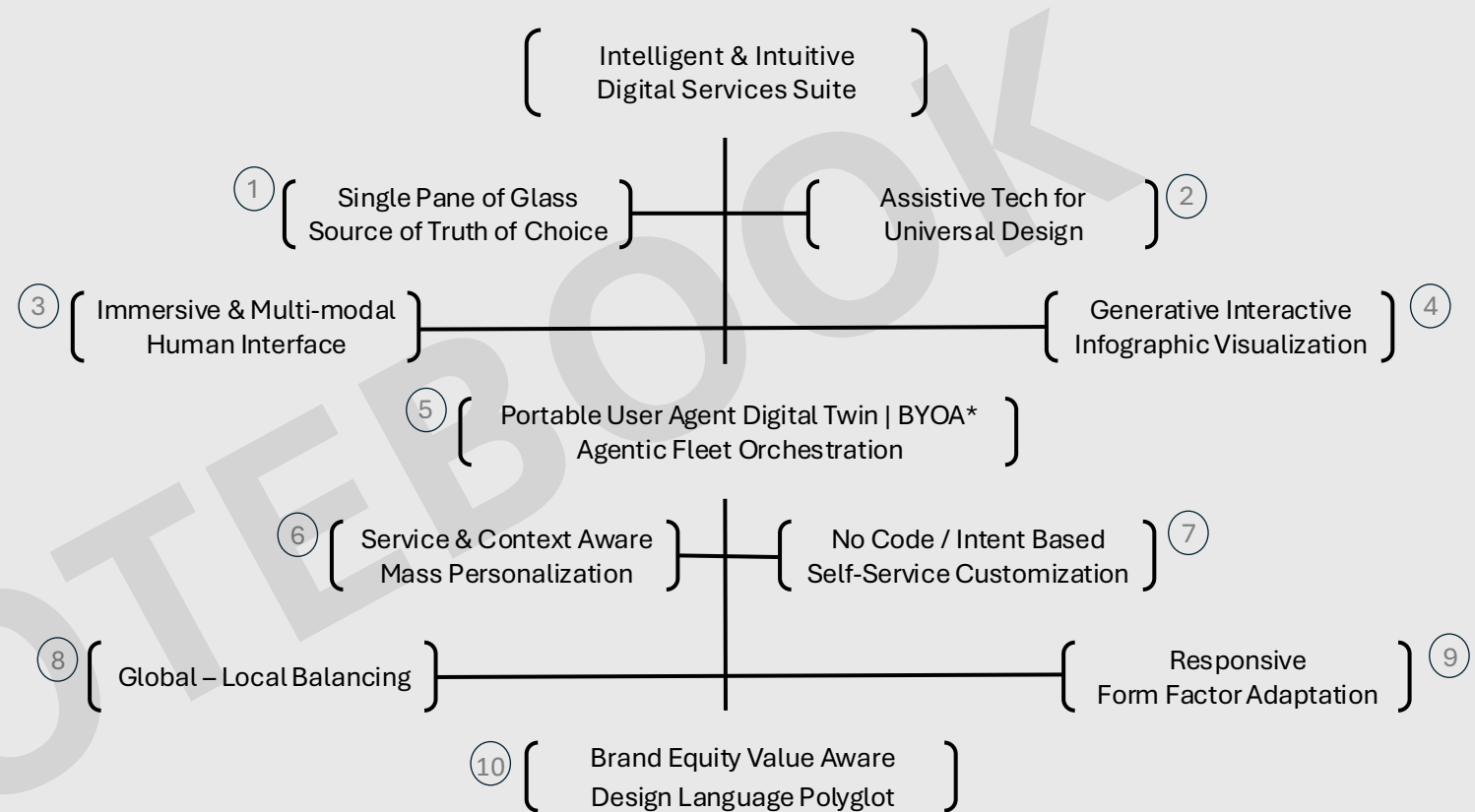
AI design system as a suite of **Intelligent and Intuitive Digital Services** set to dynamically compose, generate and scale with self-organizing user interfaces and streamlined journeys along the UX-CX continuum and lifecycle.

**Design Intelligence** enables anyone, anywhere and anytime experience fully integrated end-to-end multi-sensory (aka multi-modal) abilities that harness and inform user behaviors, content adaptation, context, observability, situational awareness, sensemaking, action-oriented insights, options valuation, decisioning and learning.

Design Intelligence also anticipates needs and promotes lean and agile value-based-activities that (a) simplify complex tasks, as well as (b) makes nuanced and detailed oriented ones addressable by fine-tuning abstraction vs. granularity levels, all predicated on user models that articulate degrees of optimal sophistication.

Automated **Value Stream Mapping** weeds out nonsensical elements, unproductive cognitive workloads, noise and dissonance. **Robotic Process Automation** elevates users' visual thinking, hand-eye and gesture coordination. Natural language assists with interrogation and intent based items.

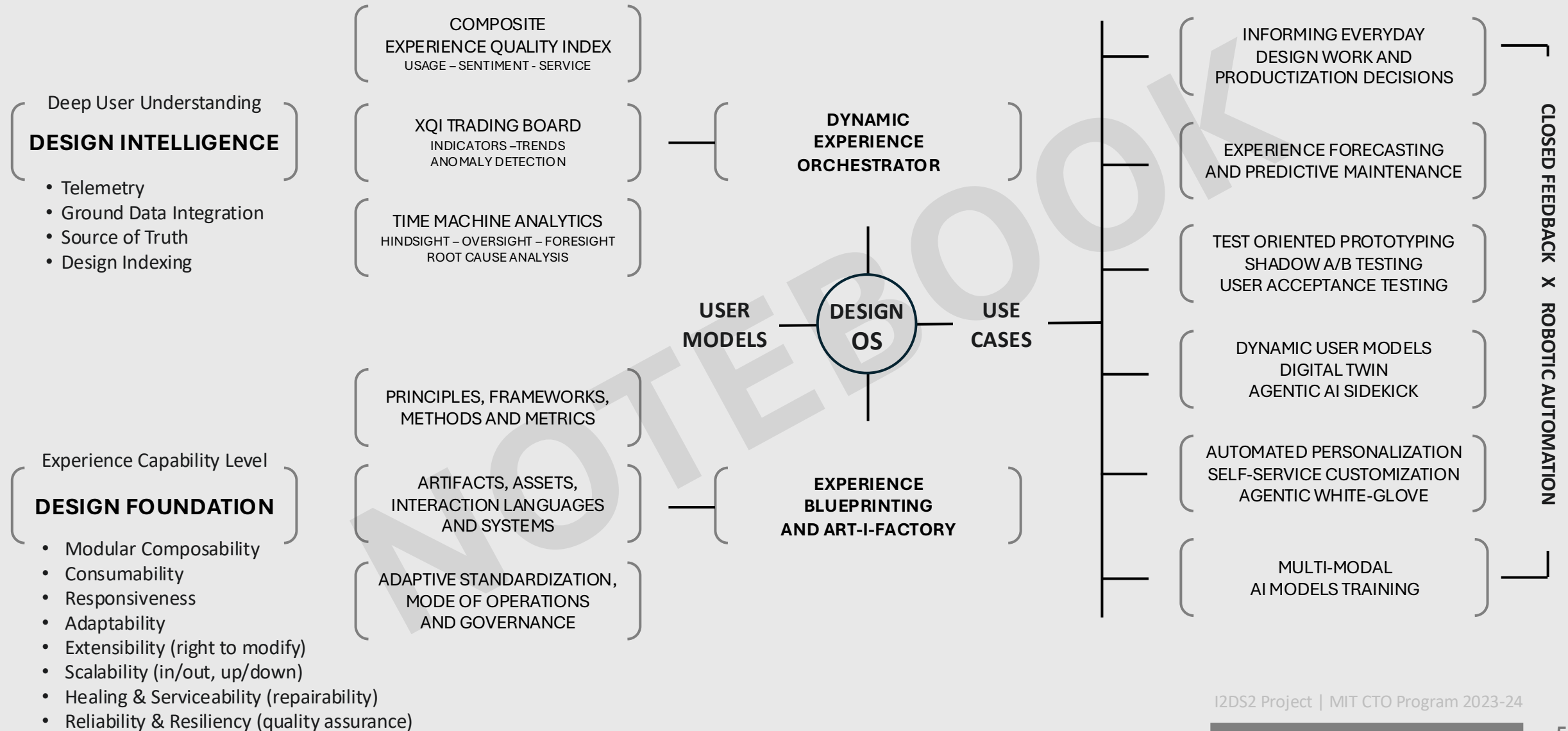
Promoting germane cognitive loads purposely serves human abilities with meaning by (c) amplifying existing skills. Gradually introducing new ones augments (d) professional development coupled with interdisciplinary collaborative talent. Overall system responsiveness shapes assistive tech beyond accessibility standards to deliver universal design that is personalized.



**Closed loop system-wide automation** optimizes continuous improvement, facilitating interoperable experiences that purposely feel intelligent and intuitive given their natural and frictionless nature.

**Informatic quality assurance** tests and adapts for responsiveness and trustworthiness under continually relevant, current, resilient, and responsible principles.

\*Bring Your Own Agent



# APPENDIX II

# User Modeling and User-Adapted Interaction

The Journal of Personalization Research

In addition to papers from Computer Science, relevant papers from the fields of Psychology, Linguistics, Information Systems, Information Science, Education, Rehabilitation and Medicine are also considered if they have implications for the design of computer systems.

The journal mainly publishes empirical research papers.

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**Adaptability** refers to the end-user's ability to adapt the UI.

**Adaptivity** or self-adaptation refers to the system's ability to perform UI adaptation.

**Personalization** is a particular form of adaptivity, usually for the UI contents, that is based on data originating solely from the end-user.

**Recommender Systems** leverage data from sources that can be external to the end-user, such as other user groups.

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- Acquisition and formal representation of user models, including modeling of affect, personality, knowledge, expertise, interests, preferences, attitudes, goals, plans, culture, relationships and mental models
- Conceptual models and user stereotypes for personalization
- Student modeling and adaptive learning
- Models of groups of users
- User model driven personalized information discovery and retrieval
- **Recommender systems**
- **Adaptive user interfaces and agents**
- **Adaptation for accessibility and inclusion**
- Generic user modeling systems and tools
- Interoperability of user models
- **Personalization in areas such as**
  - Affective computing
  - Ubiquitous and mobile computing
  - Language based interactions
  - Multi-modal interactions
  - Virtual and augmented reality
  - Social media and the web
  - Human-robot interaction
  - Behavior change interventions
- **Personalized applications** in specific domains, such as: health, mobility, vehicular operation, news, workplace, consumer electronics, e-commerce and retail, cultural heritage, tourism, smart cities, games, cyber-security
- **Privacy, accountability, and security** of information for personalization
- Responsible adaptation: fairness, accountability, explainability, transparency and control
- Methods for the design and evaluation of **user models and adaptive systems**

<https://link.springer.com/journal/11257>

<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10270-021-00909-7>

# ACT-R \akt-ahr\ , noun;

1. cognitive architecture
2. a theory for simulating and understanding human cognition



- **Human-Computer Interaction Simulation:** Simulates user behavior in complex systems like cockpit interfaces, medical devices, and enterprise software to predict cognitive load and usability issues.
- **Training and Decision Support:** In defense and healthcare, ACT-R models help simulate decision-making under stress or uncertainty, aiding in interface design and training systems.
- **Agentic AI Systems:** Integrated into intelligent agents that learn and adapt through interaction, supporting applications like virtual assistants and adaptive UIs.

<http://act-r.psy.cmu.edu/>



- **Goal-Oriented UX Agents:** Soar powers agents that break down user tasks into subgoals, useful in complex enterprise workflows and automation systems.
- **Simulation-Based Training:** Used in scenario-based training environments where agents simulate realistic human responses, such as emergency response or military operations.
- **Natural Language Interfaces:** Soar's reasoning capabilities support conversational agents and decision-support tools in customer service and technical support.

<https://soar.eecs.umich.edu/>



Designing for people by applying care and understanding

# ... Humankind Scale AI

Homo sapiens' nature, experience, and existence