

# Roboterkontrollarchitekturen

horizontale und vertikale Komposition

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## RobMoSys - Composable Models and Software for Robotics Systems

[www.robmosys.eu](http://www.robmosys.eu)

01.01.2017 – 31.12.2020, EU H2020-ICT-2016



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## SeRoNet – Eine Plattform zur arbeitsteiligen Entwicklung von Serviceroboter-Lösungen

[www.seronet-projekt.de](http://www.seronet-projekt.de)

01.03.2017 – 28.02.2021, BMWi – Technologieprogramm „PAiCE“



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## LogiRob - Multi-Robot-Transportsystem im mit Menschen geteilten Arbeitsraum

[http://www.softwaresysteme.pt-dlr.de/media/content/Infoblatt\\_LogiRob.pdf](http://www.softwaresysteme.pt-dlr.de/media/content/Infoblatt_LogiRob.pdf)

01.06.2016 – 31.05.2019, BMBF KMU innovativ



## ZAFH Intralogistik - Kollaborative Systeme zur Flexibilisierung der Intralogistik

<http://zafh-intralogistik.de/>

01.03.2017 – 28.02.2020, Land Baden-Württemberg und EU EFRE



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## RobMoSys Wiki

RobMoSys enables the **composition** of robotics applications with managed, assured, and maintained system-level properties via model-driven techniques. It establishes **structures** that enable the management of the interfaces between different robotics-related domains, different **roles in the ecosystem**, and different **levels of abstractions**. Documents that provide an overview and introduction:

- "Section 1 / Excellence": excerpt of RobMoSys Grant Agreement, Annex 1 (part B) 
- Presentation of the RobMoSys project at European Robotics Forum 2017, Edinburgh 
- Presentation "Modeling Principles and Modeling Foundations" at the RobMoSys Brokerage Day, July 5th 2017, Leuven 

The **RobMoSys Wiki** provides technical details on the RobMoSys approach including examples realizing the RobMoSys structures. The main philosophy behind the RobMoSys Wiki is to favour early access, openness, and transparency over completeness. This is to support communication of RobMoSys being a community endeavour. For general information about the RobMoSys project or its open calls, please refer to the [project website](#).

*Please note: The RobMoSys consortium is continuously updating this wiki to provide early insights. See the [changelog](#). If you came here through a RobMoSys document, please see the [jump page](#) to find referred pages. This is a live and evolving wiki, stable [snapshots](#) are available.*

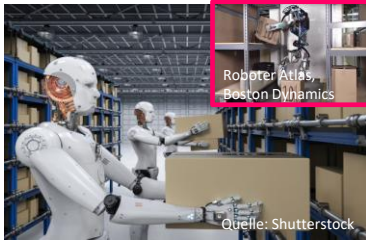
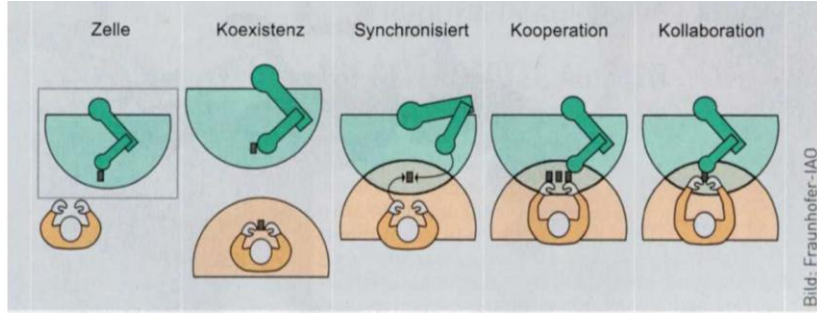
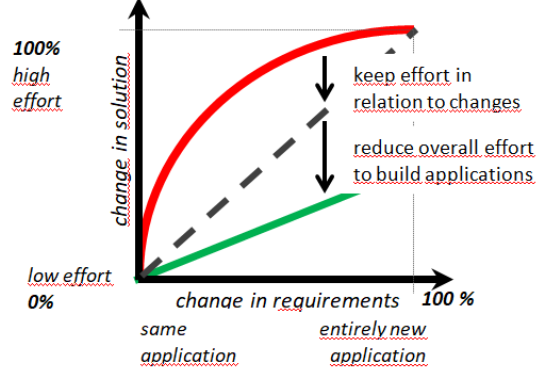
## Glossary and FAQ

The **glossary** contains descriptions of used terms. The **technical FAQ** provides answers to frequently asked questions.



# Robotics and Digitization

- „Build multi-purpose robots“**
- One of the big fat lies in robotics is that robots are flexible. We adapt the process to the robot, not the robot to the process
  - Improved software and better modular robotics solutions, where robots could be arranged and re-arranged and tailored to the process each day, would dramatically improve customization
- „Build robots that can be simply deployed“**
- It takes time to deploy robots. Sometimes you can spend four to five times the cost of the robot, just integrating it into your system. For maybe 80% of those applications, deployment should be something as simple as downloading an app on your smartphone.
  - We need to be able to make it so you can effectively plug and play and deploy that robot very quickly. Not only do we want to be able to deploy quickly, we want to make it easy to re-deploy.
- Prof. Howie Choset, CMU, 04.09.2017., <https://www.ri.cmu.edu/5-ways-to-advance-robotics-in-manufacturing/>



# Composition in Robotics

**Freedom of Choice**

- Not a universal positive
- High price to pay since there is **no guidance** with respect to ensuring composability and system level conformance

**Freedom from Choice**

- Not a universal negative
- Structures that **ensure composability** restrict freedom of choice to achieve system level conformance

- Structures enable collaboration: **organization by structure** rather than by “management”
- Structure and **tooling** go hand-in-hand
- Tooling enables **access** to structures to benefit from them

Which patterns and structures form the *Sweet Spot* between **Freedom of Choice** and **Freedom from Choice**?



Guidance for separation of concerns by superordinate objectives like the need for separation of roles and the need for composition

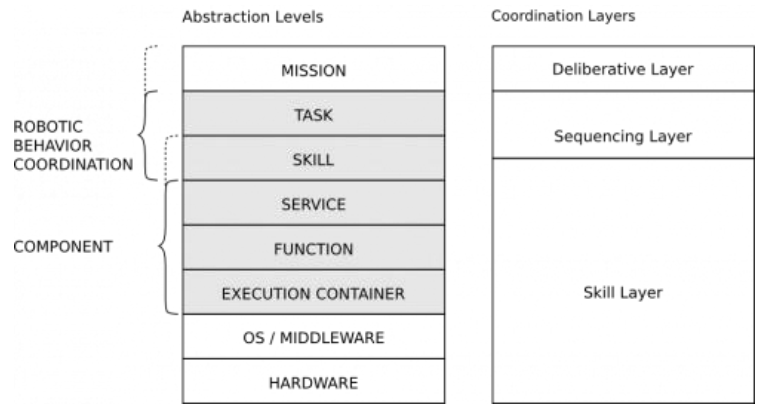
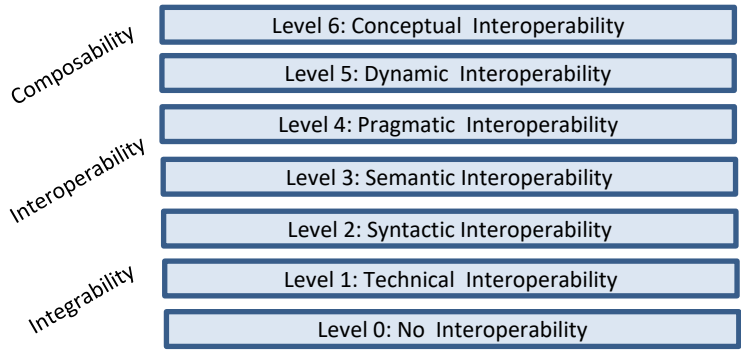
*Support as much freedom as possible while still ensuring composability despite separation of roles*

computation  
communication  
coordination  
configuration



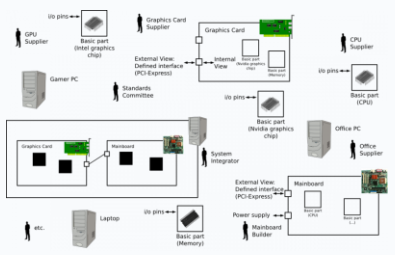
*achieve separation of roles  
support composition*

# Composition in Robotics



- All can be **blocks** with hierarchy (containment, collection).
- Blocks define structure where **ports** link inner parts of a block with the outer view on the block.
- Ports are linked via **connectors**.
- Blocks come with **data sheets**

- building blocks with data sheets (outer view on block)
- different stakeholders in different roles
- composition instead of integration



- Composition is about the **management of the interfaces** between different **roles** (participants in an ecosystem) in an efficient and systematic way.
- Composition is about guiding the roles via **superordinate composition-structures**.
- Composition is about explicating and managing **properties**.
- Composition is about the right **levels of abstraction and views** for roles.

- **composability** is the ability to combine and recombine as-is building blocks into different systems for different purposes. It requires that properties of sub-systems are invariant („remain satisfied“) under composition.
- **splittability** is the „inverse“ relationship of composability.
- compositionality requires that the behavior of a system is predictable from its sub-systems and that of the composition „glue“.
- **system composition (activity)**: the activity of putting together a set of existing building blocks to match system needs with a focus on flexible (re-)combination.
- **system integration (activity)**: the activity that requires effort to combine components, requiring modifications or additional actions to make them work with others.



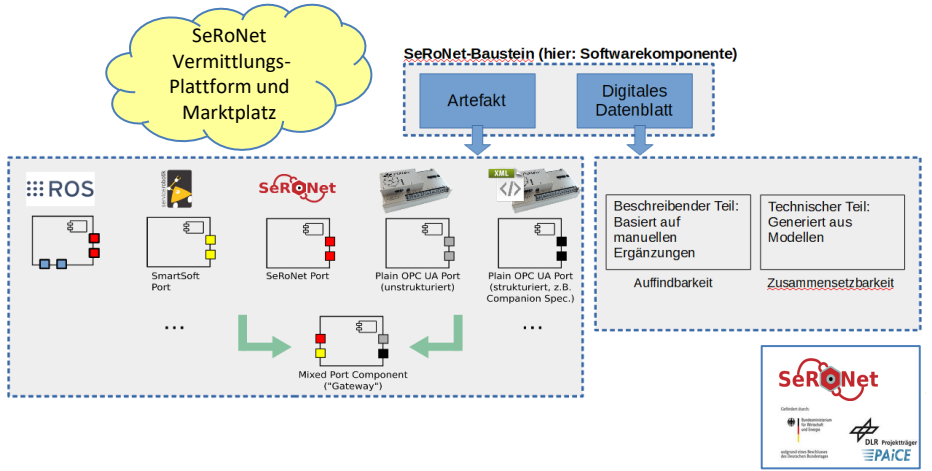
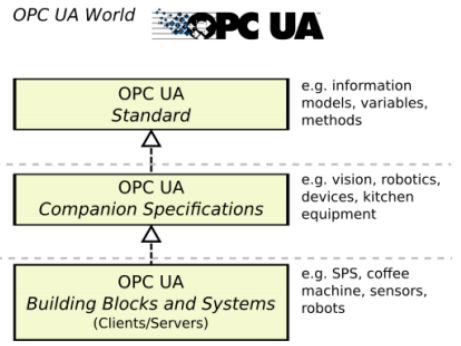
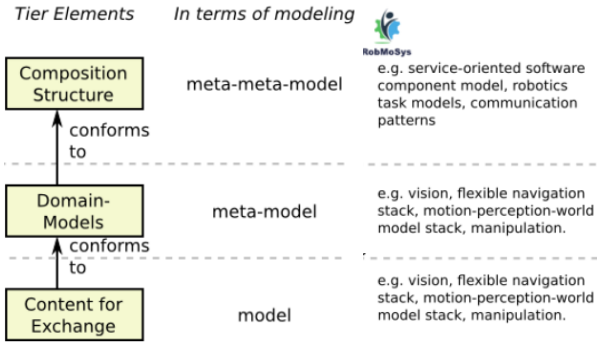
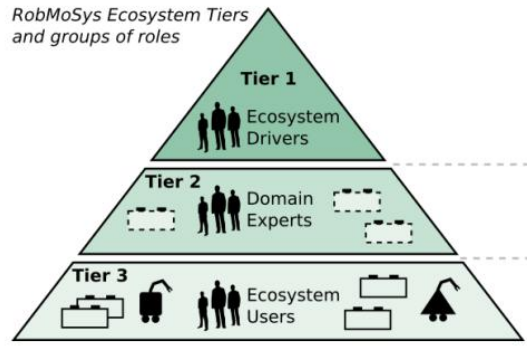
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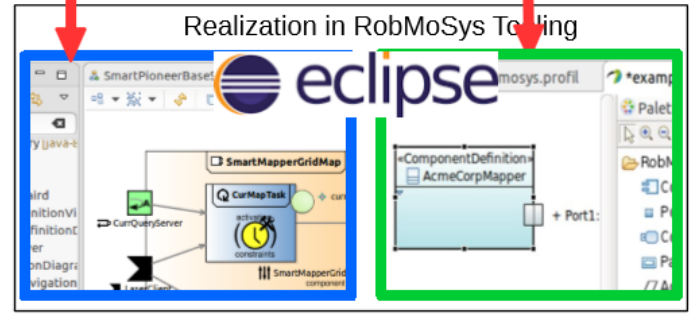
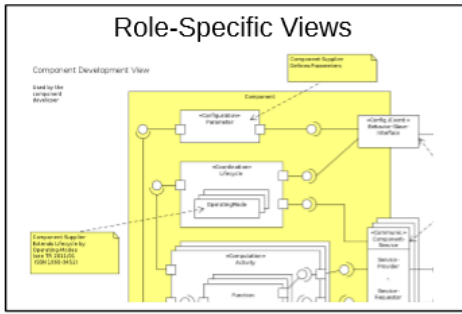
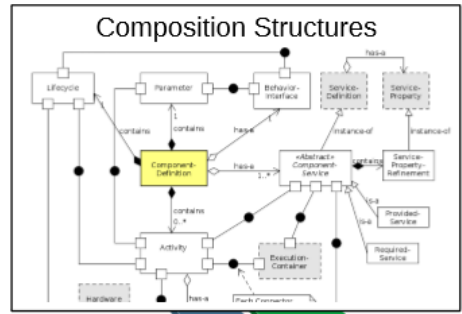
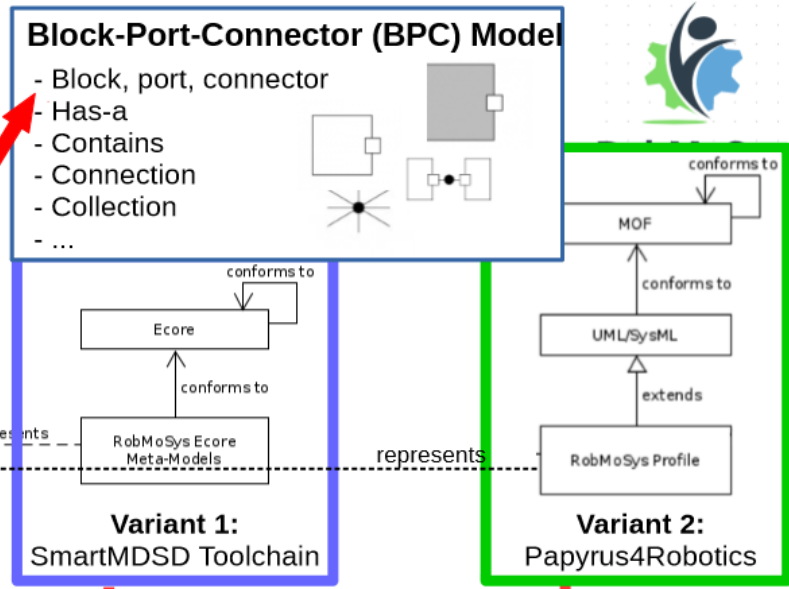
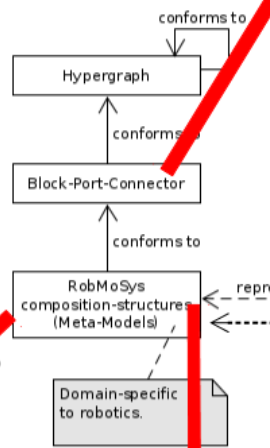
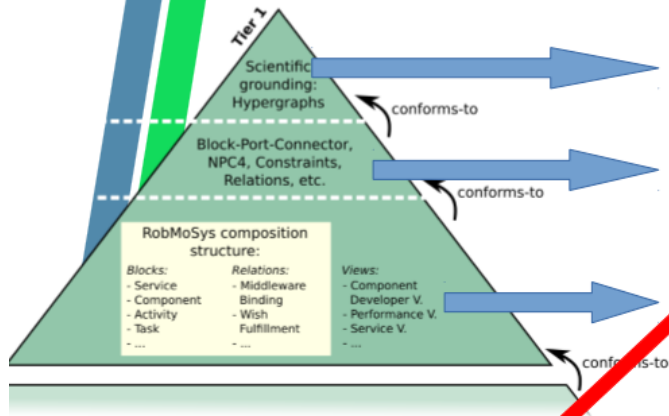
Examples of the PC Analogy

- e.g. Semiconductor standards, architecture, USB, PCIe, mode ethernet, etc.
- e.g. laptop PC, desktop PC, inc ATX, ITX, Mini-ITX, VGA, HDM CPU socket, GPU socket, USB storage, etc.
- e.g. graphics card, CPU, TPM, Memory, power supply, USB SSD Hard disc, USB stick, etc.



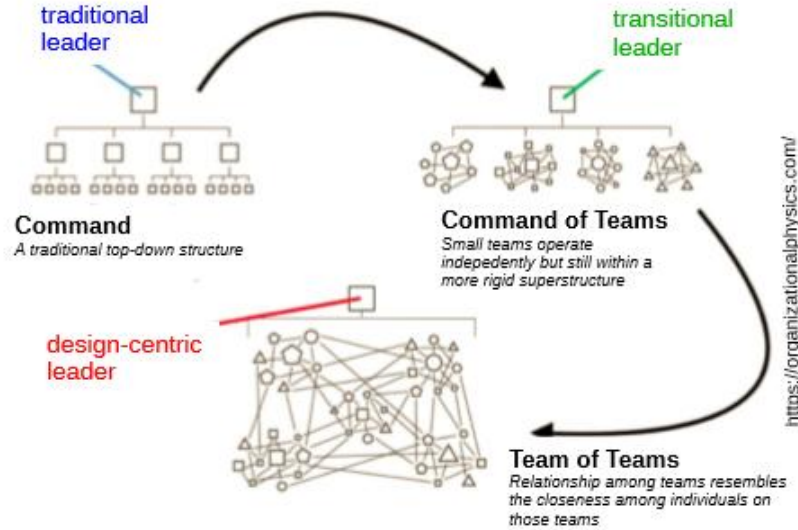
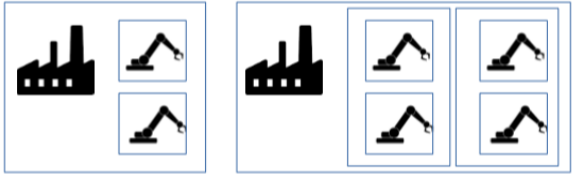


# RobMoSys Tier 1 in Detail





# Horizontal and Vertical Interaction in Organizations

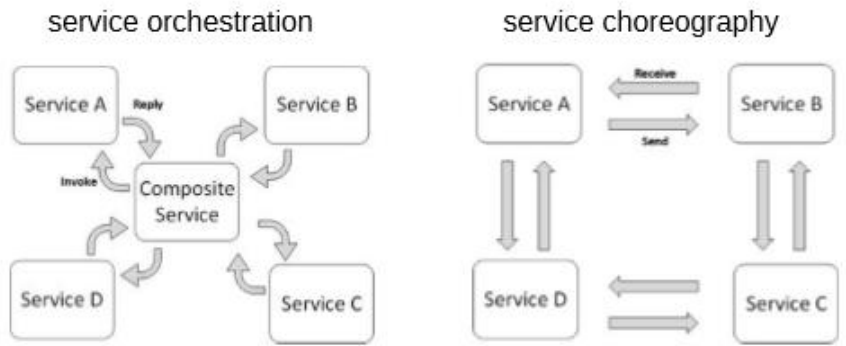


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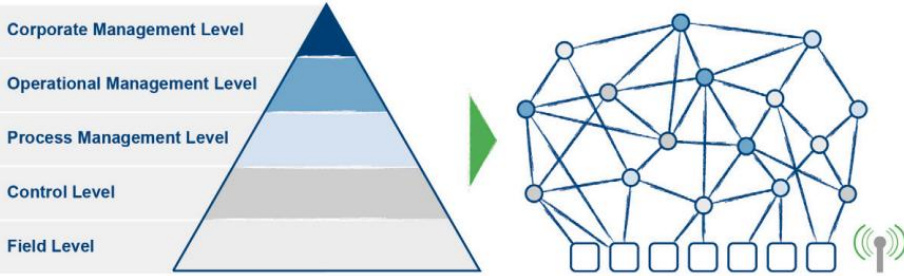
- technical aspect
- process aspect
- organizational aspect
- decision making aspect
- ...

## Challenge:

- resource management
- proper granularity and size of „entities“



# Horizontal and Vertical Interaction in I4.0



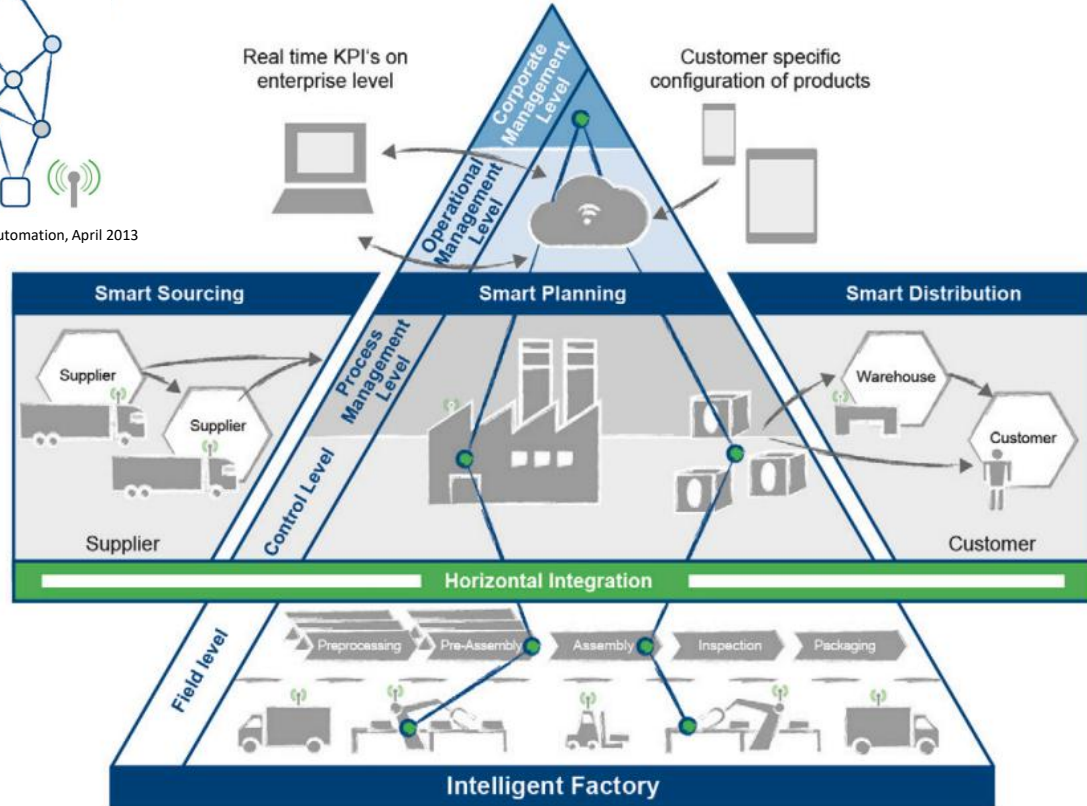
Verein Deutscher Ingenieure e.V.: Thesen und Handlungsfelder Cyber-Physical Systems: Chancen und Nutzen aus Sicht der Automation, April 2013

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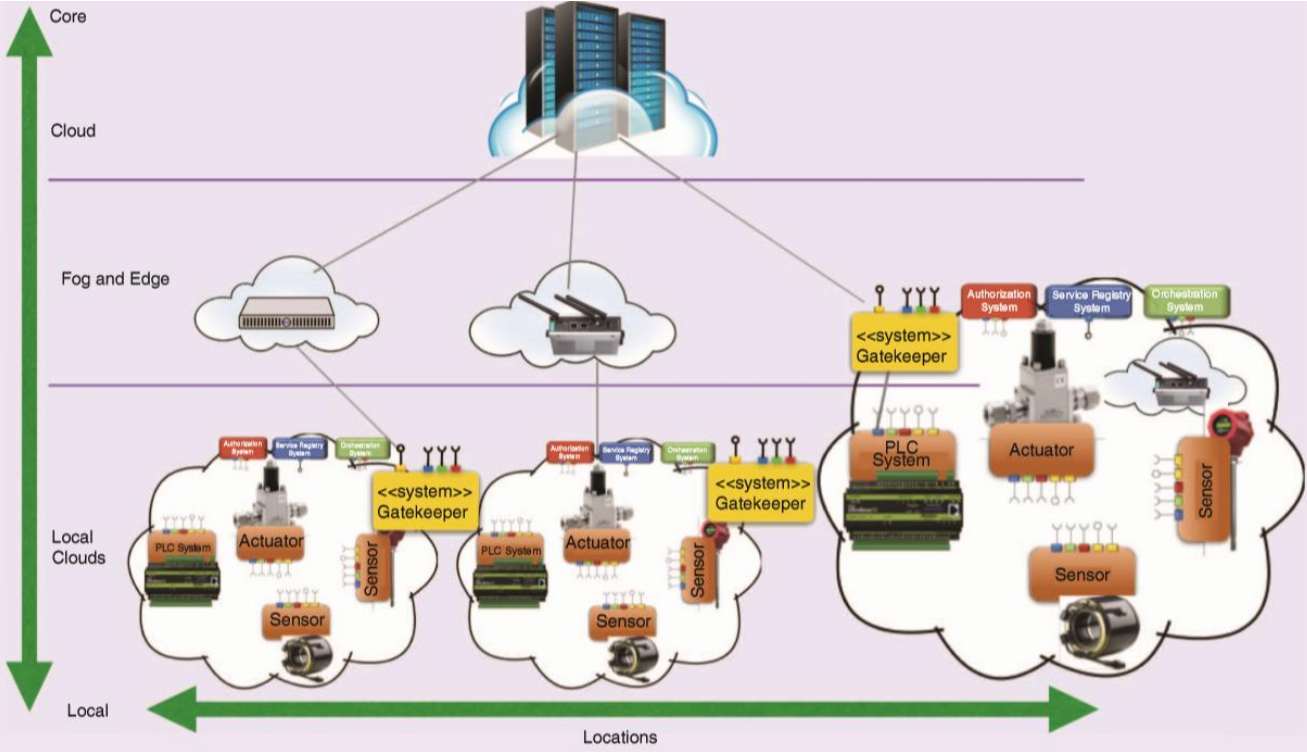
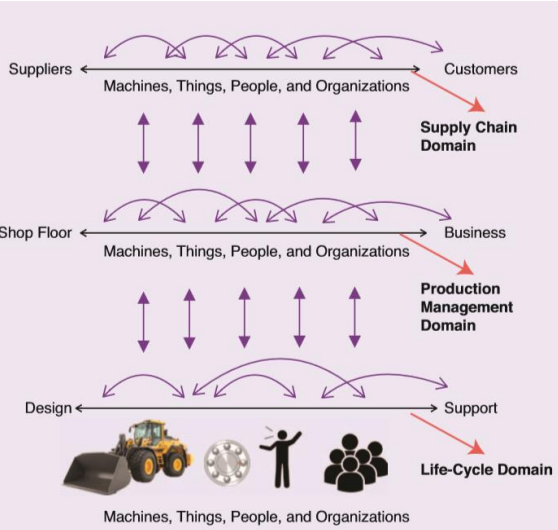
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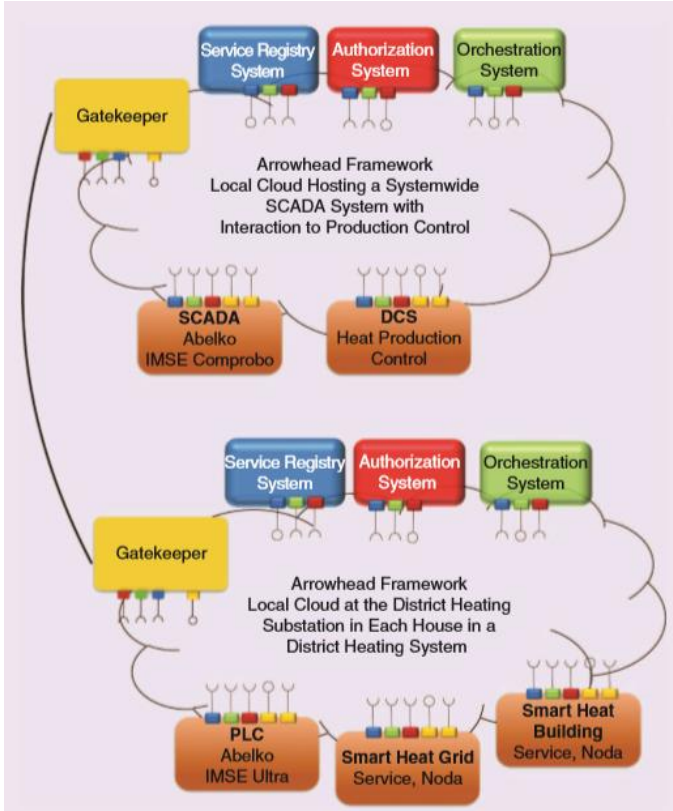
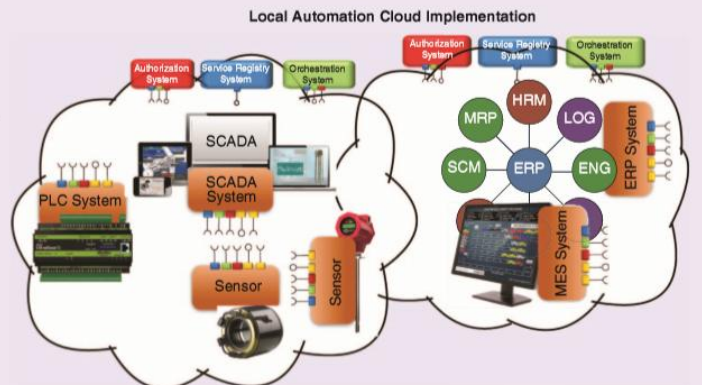
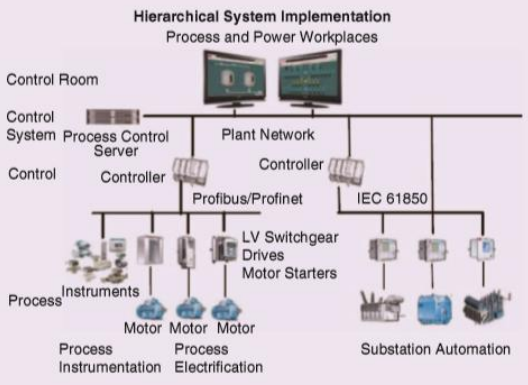
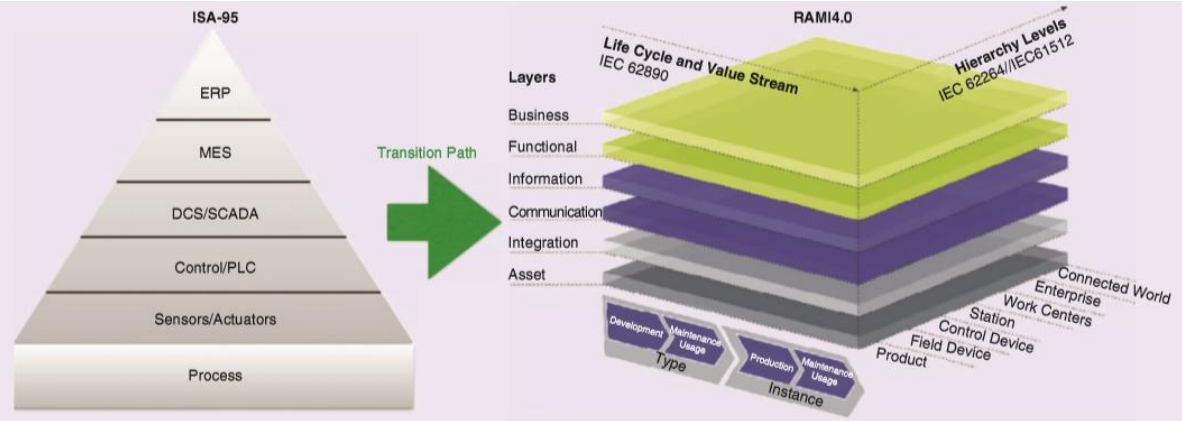


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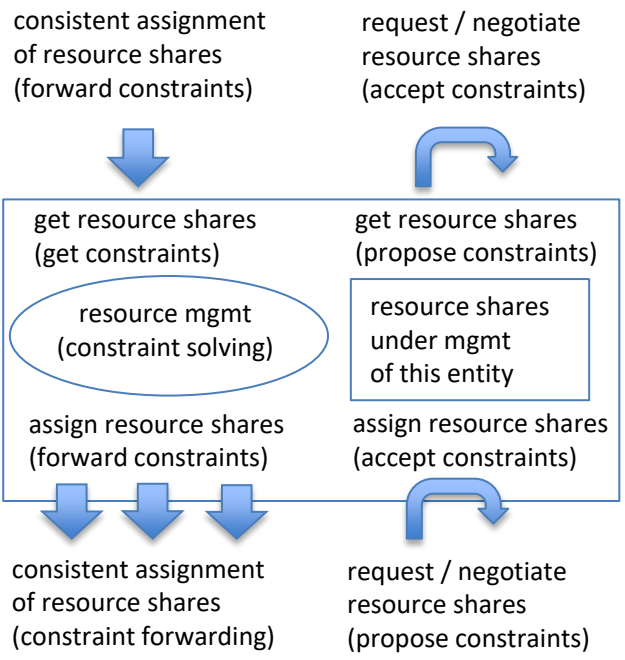
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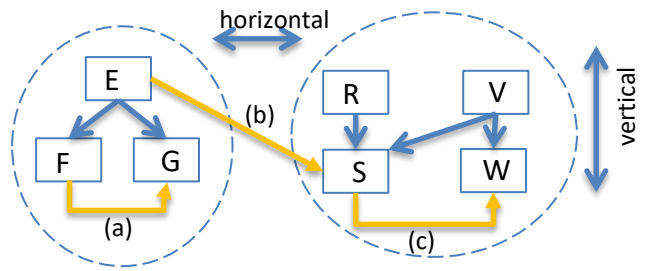
# Horizontal and Vertical Interaction in Robotics



Dynamically changing control hierarchy but with always a consistent and clear responsibility for resource shares

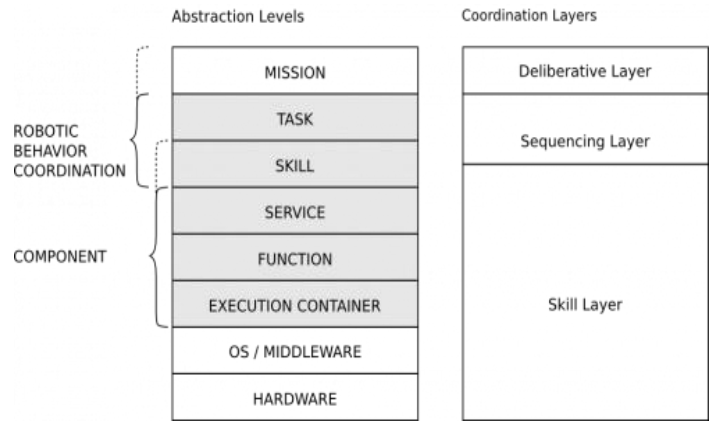
- best effort, contract based with guarantees, orthogonal assignment, ...
- design time, deployment time, run time, ...

- (a) Consistent because of either vertical coordination by E or horizontal coordination F asking G
- (b) Consistent because of either vertical coordination above EFG and RSVW or just horizontal coordination E asking S
- (c) Consistent because of either vertical coordination by RV for SW or S asking W
- (d) ...

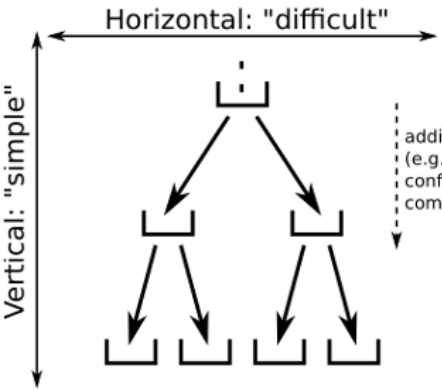


**Distributed and linked Models:**

- Model of factory
- Model of production cell
- Model of robot resources and skills in the robot knowledge base
- Model of object in object recognition skill
- ...

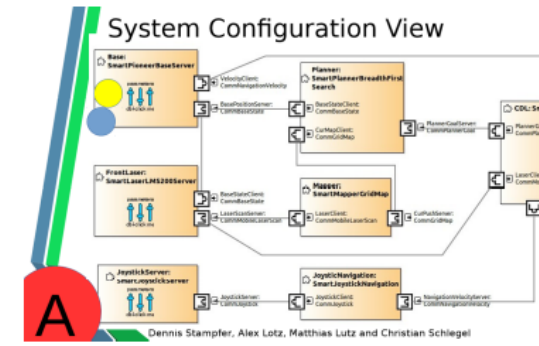
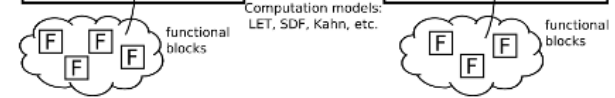
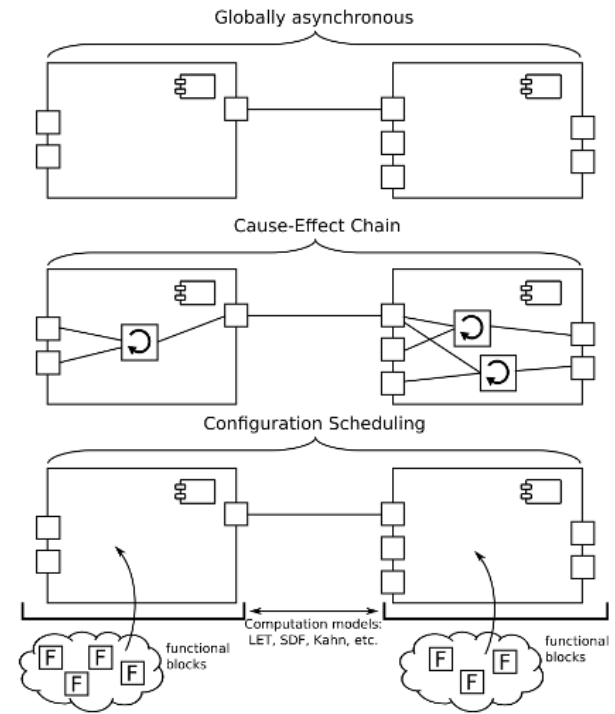


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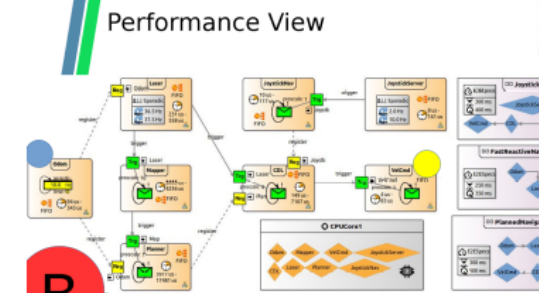


adding more constraints  
(e.g. derived from and  
configured from a  
computation model)

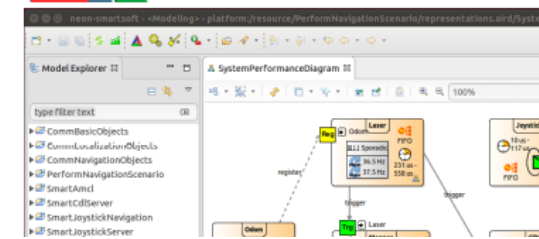
resource budgets, resource shares  
local sync, global async  
nesting vs. flattening



**A** Dennis Stampfer, Alex Lotz, Matthias Lutz and Christian Schlegel

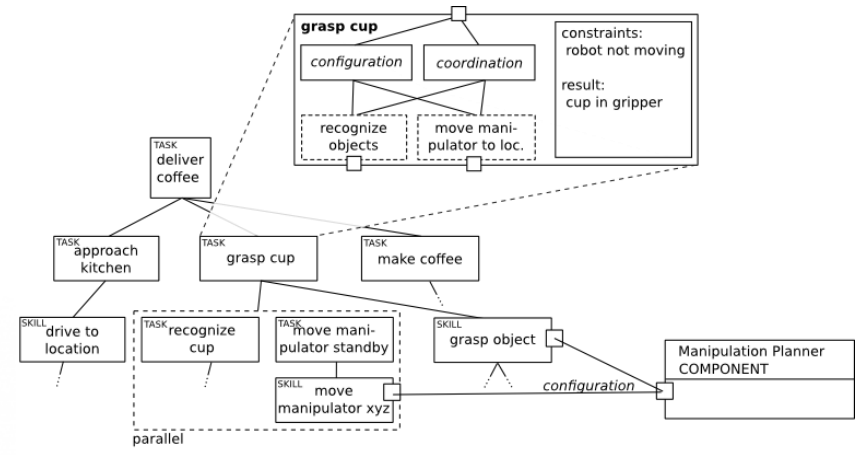
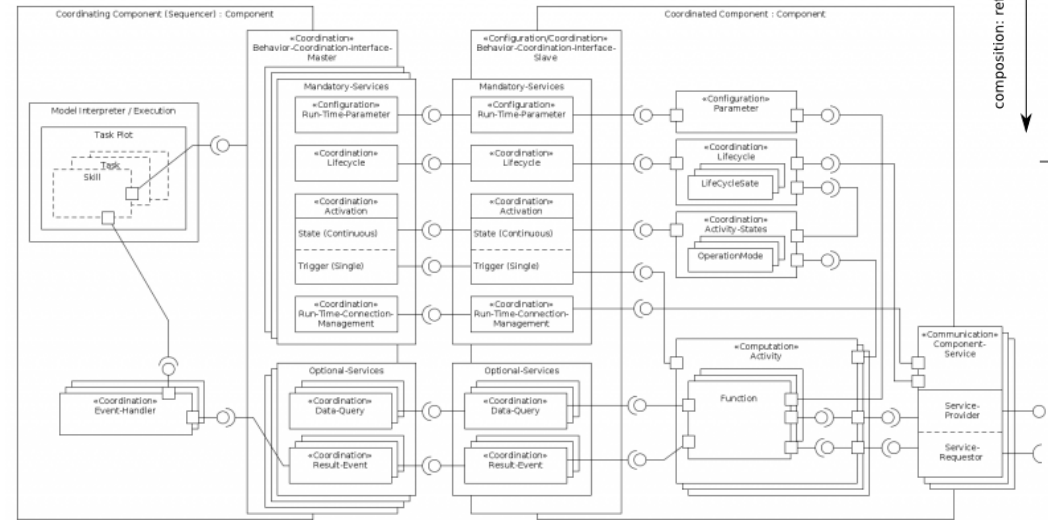
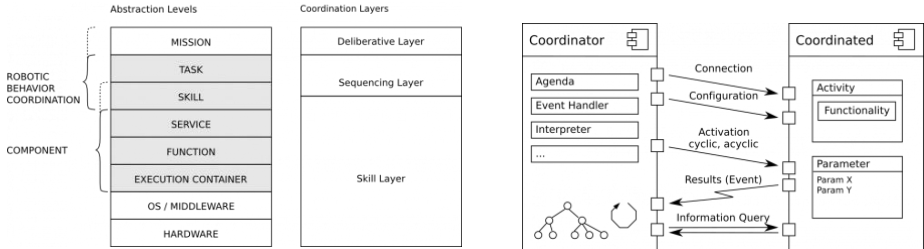


**B** Views, Levels and Concerns  
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# Examples of System Composition

# Examples of System Composition: Task Coordination



composition: refinement of task and skill

composition of different tasks and skills

Management of resource shares, execution context constraints, configuration constraints in horizontal and vertical task interactions



# Examples of System Composition: Robot Fleet

## Kommissionierung Servicerobotik Fachbodenregal

- Distributionslogistik, stückgenau, Pharmaartikel in Schachteln
- kombiniert Ware-zu-Kommissioniergasse und Person/Roboter-zu-Ware in Kommissioniergasse
- Fokus: Pickaufgaben



**LogiRob**



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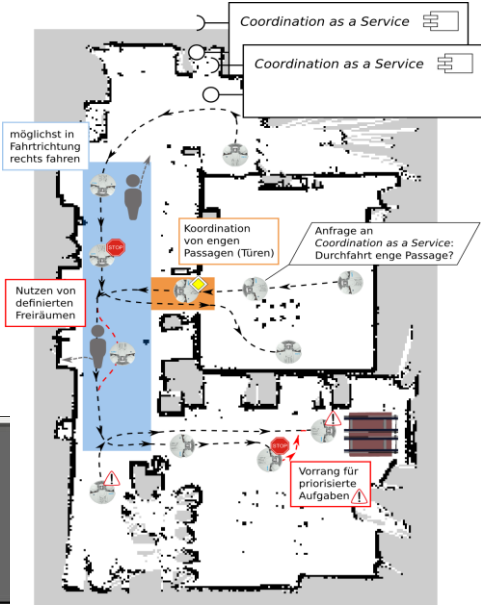
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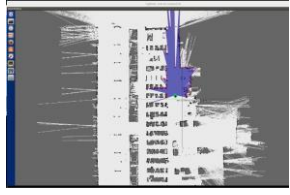


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competence. connection. courage



## Kommissionierung Person-zu-Ware

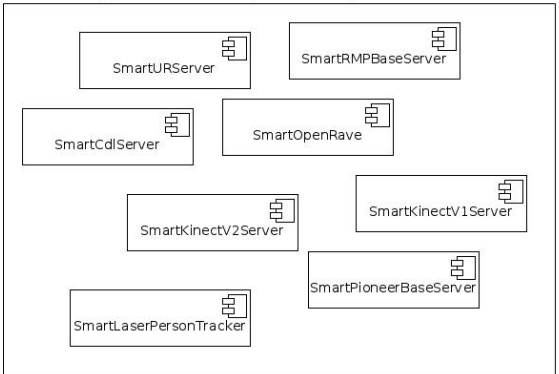
- Distributionslogistik, sehr große Vielfalt einschließlich loser Artikel
- Roboter/Person-zu-Ware, Zone-Picking
- Fokus: gemischte Roboterflotte, mit Menschen geteilter Arbeitsraum, kollaborative Pick- und Transportaufgaben



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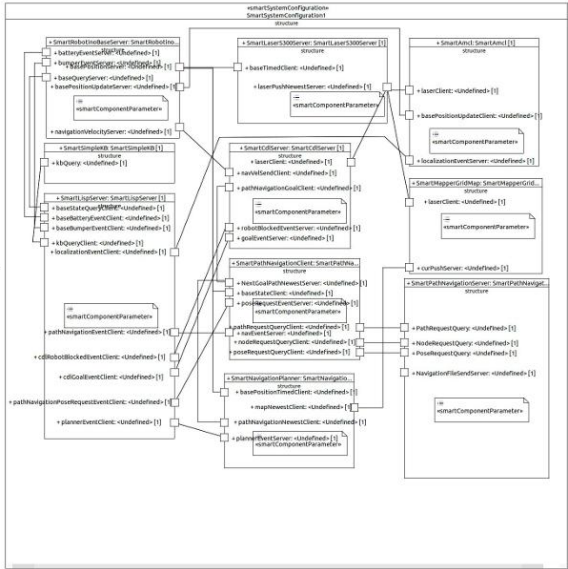
- Composition:**
- Components to Robot System
  - Skills to Robot Tasks and Fleet Tasks
  - Robots to Fleet

## Building-Block Repository

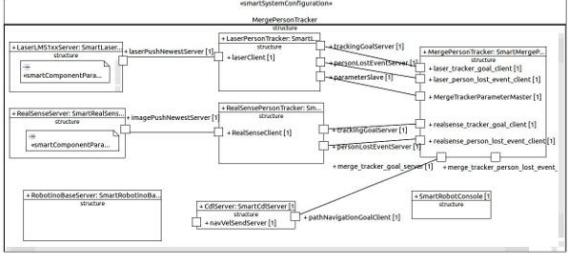


System Composition

## System A



## System B







# Examples of System Composition: Produktionslogistik

## Pilot 3: Montage in der Produktion

klassische manuelle Montage mit unterschiedlich komplexen Teilprozessen im industriellen Umfeld sukzessive automatisieren und wandlungsfähiger gestalten.



# Roboterkontrollarchitekturen: Horizontale und vertikale Komposition

- Composition
  - Use the structural elements block, port, connector to bundle the four concerns (communication, coordination, computation, configuration) such that composability and separation of roles can be achieved
    - Tasks, skills, components, execution container, functional library, ...
  - Go for allocation based mechanisms for resources and express their links and dependencies via constraints
    - Resource shares
    - Blocks with explicated variation points where constraint solving is used to exploit the offered variability for system level conformance – either at design time, at deployment time, at run-time, ...
  - Introduce „digital data sheets“ for building blocks
    - Devices, Software Components, Capabilities, Task Plots, ...
  - Address non-functional properties within a composition-based approach
    - know about properties of system compositions
    - inject properties via configuration of variation points
    - keep assured properties when modifying (adding, replacing, ...)
    - know about adequateness => what you get with what resources
  - Generate trust into systems
    - By validation and verification, by simulation, by ...
    - „not all possible combinations of activities are checked for safety but check that you can always reach a safe state“