

# Systems Approach to Computing Dependability In and Out of Hitachi

*Concept, Applications and Perspective*

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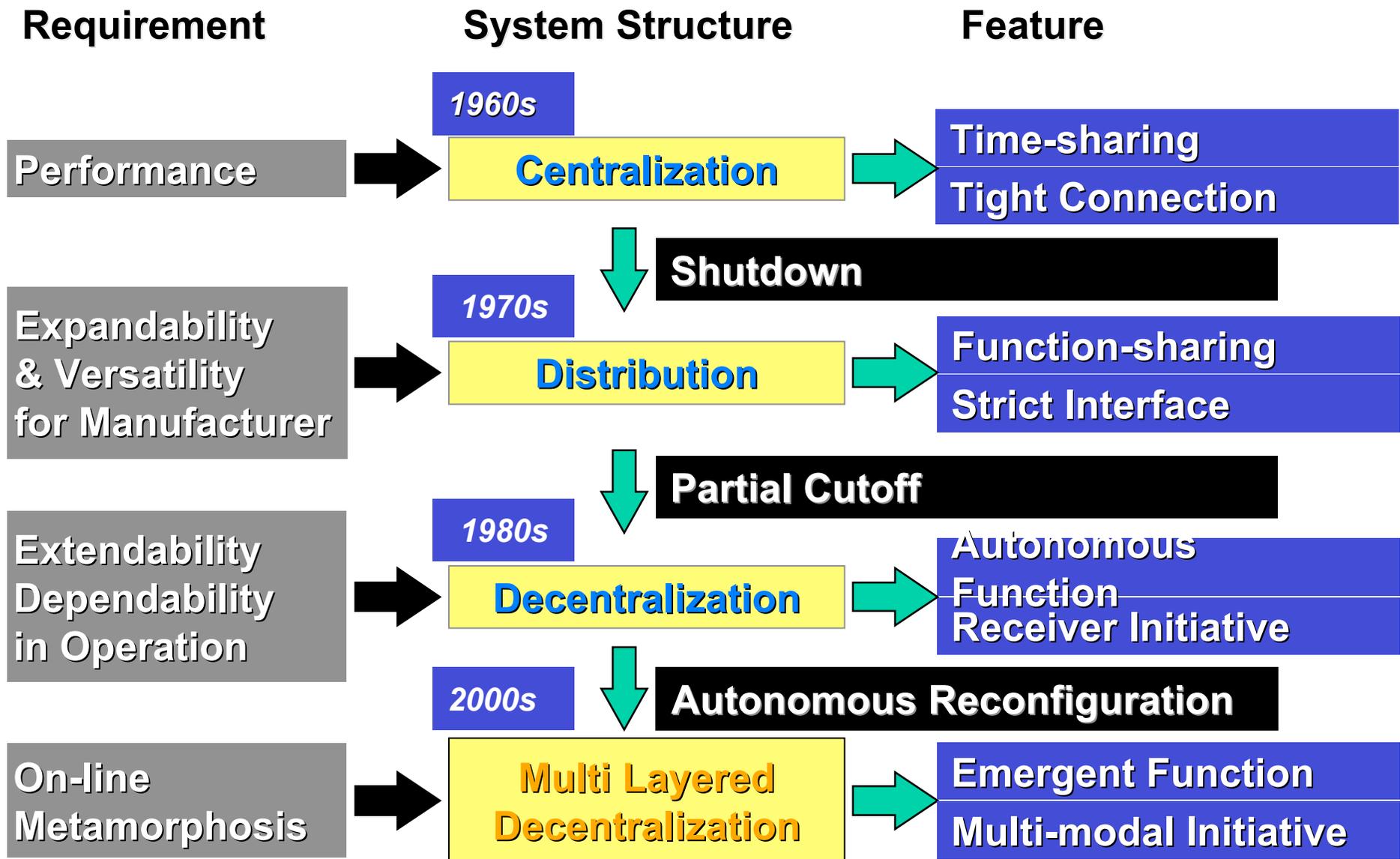
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# **Inherent Property of Control Computing Compared to Enterprise Computing**

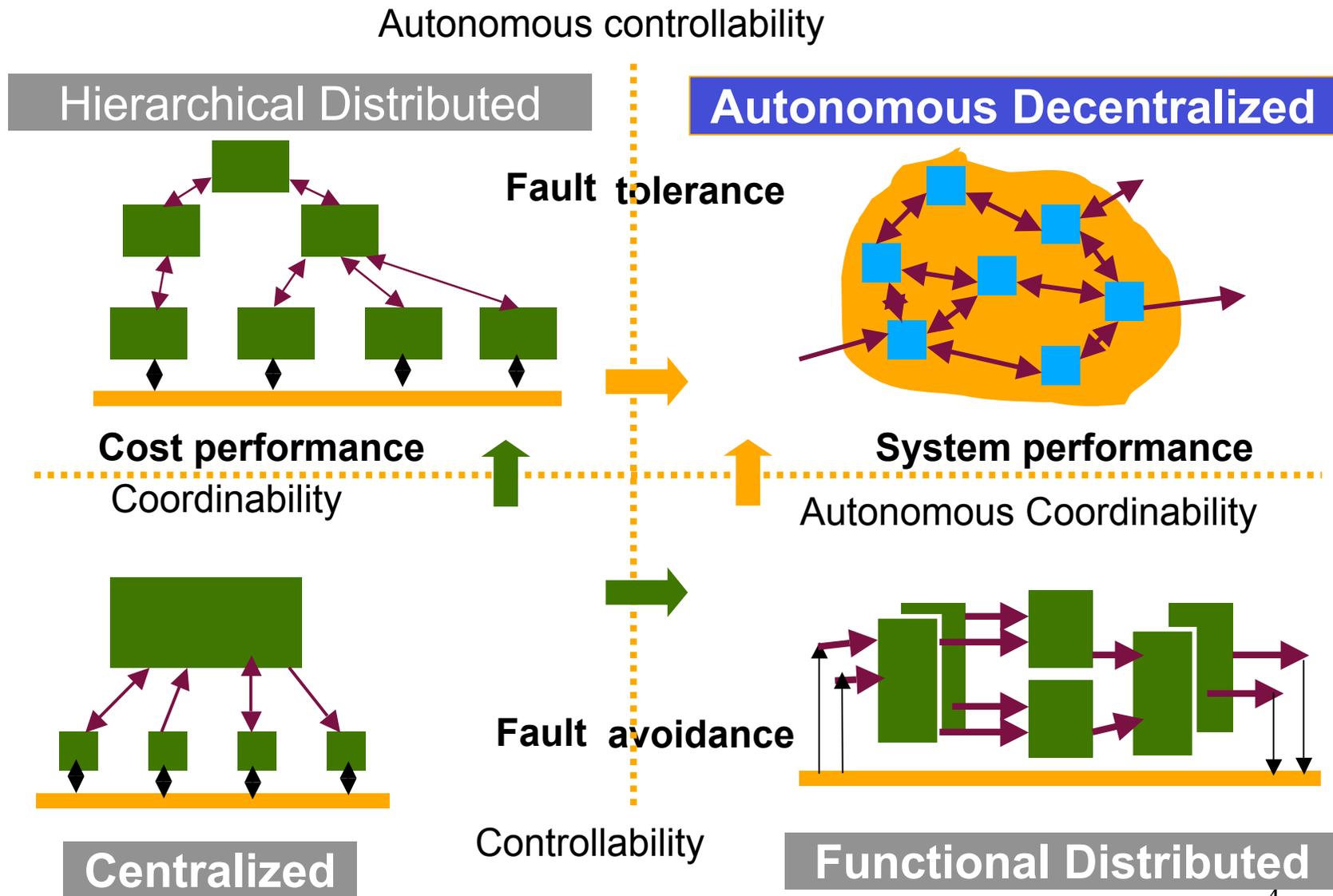
- (a) Reliability is prior to its performance and cost.**
- (b) Environment conditions are very rigorous  
(ambient temperature, humidity, vibration, dust,  
etc.)**
- (c) Event-driven or data-driven processing from the  
machines**
- (d) Time-critical**
- (e) The turnkey or the solution business**
- (f) Periodically to adapt their functions by changing  
demands**

**Two Business groups for Enterprise and Control  
Computing has been operated in Hitachi Ltd.**

# Evolution of Computing Systems

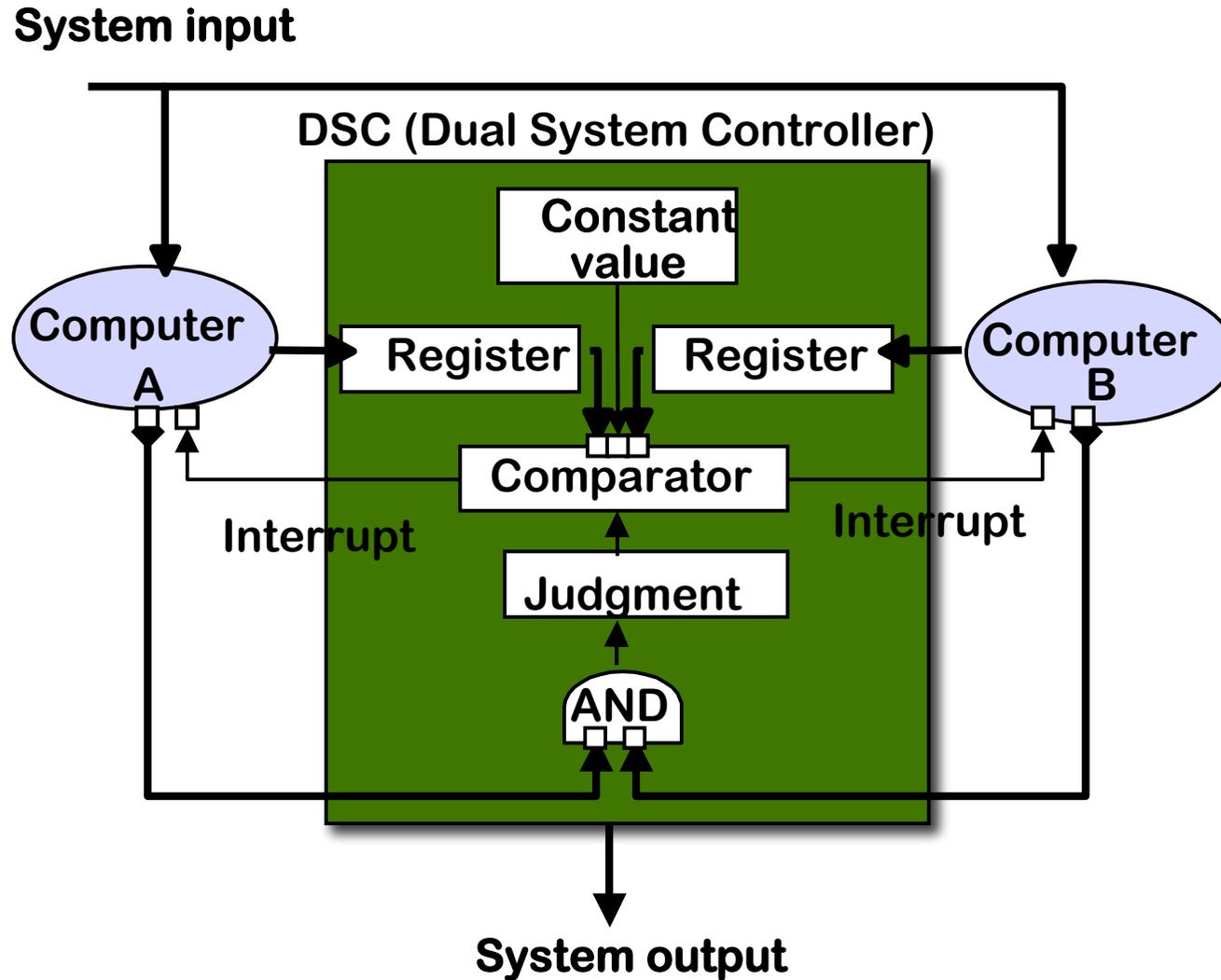


# Our Target of System Concept



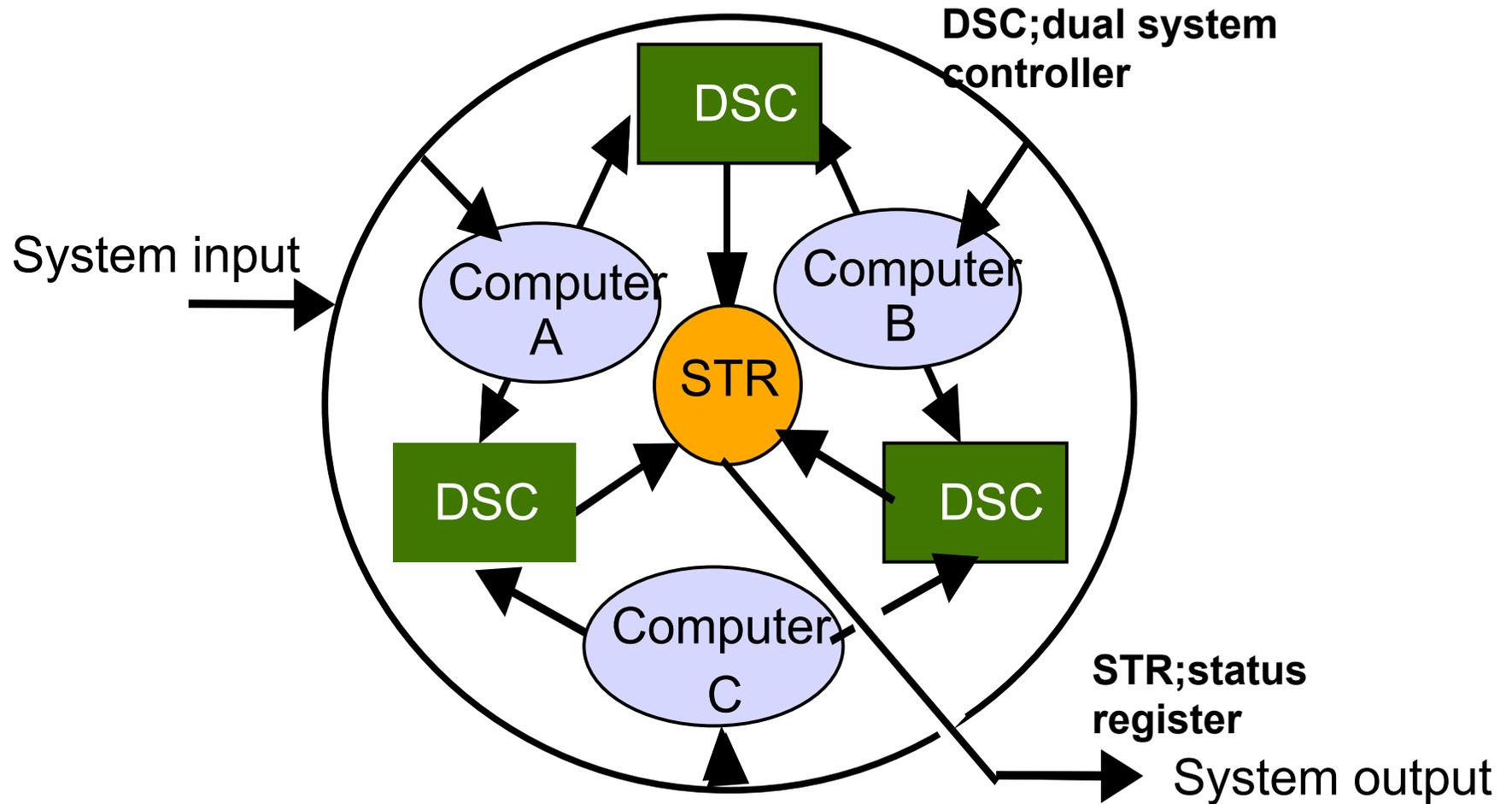
# Dual Structure System of COMTRAC

## COMputer aided TRAffic Control



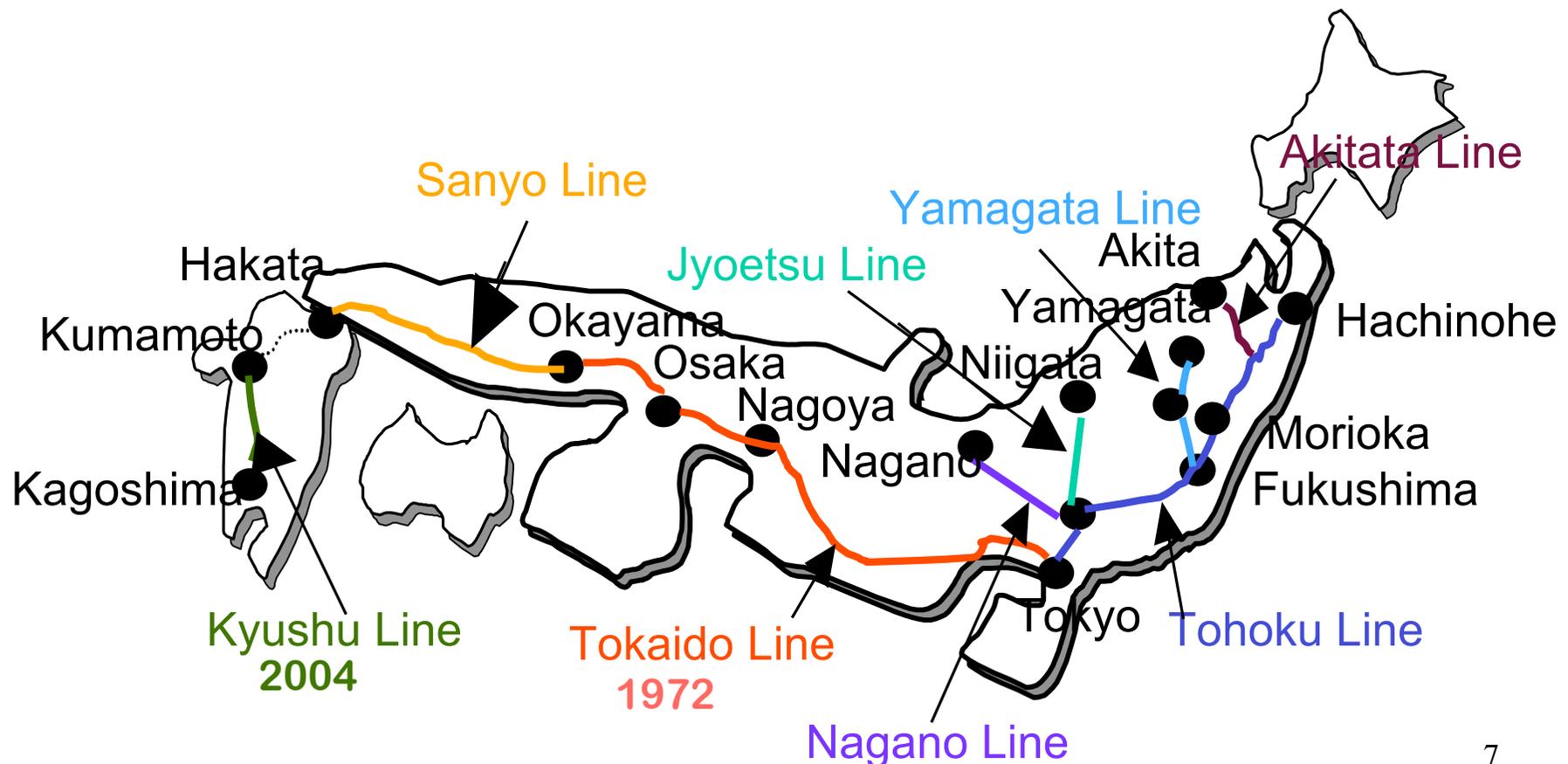
# Symmetrical Structure of COMTRAC

## Dual-Duplex System Structure



# Present Dependable COMTRAC

Network of Shinkansen has been developed line by line since 1964 and operated by COMTRAC since 1972 without any system failure.



# Principle Recognition of Autonomous Decentralization Concept (ADC)

- (a) Always includes inactive (temporary faulty, complementary or spare) parts
- (b) Always changes its conditions and states among operation, metabolism, generation and growth (plus or minus)
- (c) Always changes its objectives to the goal by alternatives selection, optimization and daptation
- (d) Always keeps accomplishing its objectives almost completely

**This observations are opposite recognition against that system should be complete and stable.**

# Properties of ADC

**Uniformity**  
of  
structure

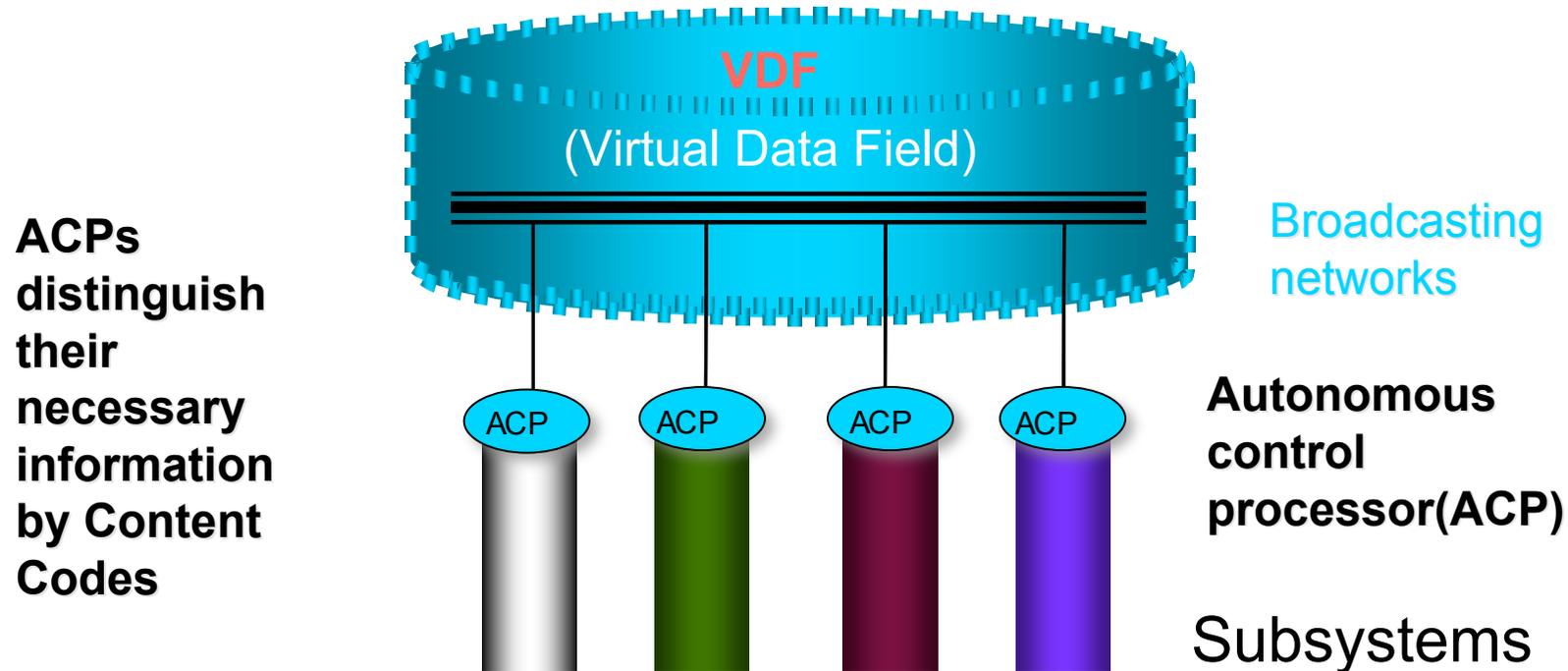
**Equality**  
among  
subsystems

**Locality**  
of  
information

## Definition of ADS

- (a) **Autonomous controllability:**  
if any subsystem fails,  
the other survivors can manage themselves
- (b) **Autonomous coordinability:**  
if any subsystem fails,  
the other survivors can coordinate  
their individual objectives  
among themselves.

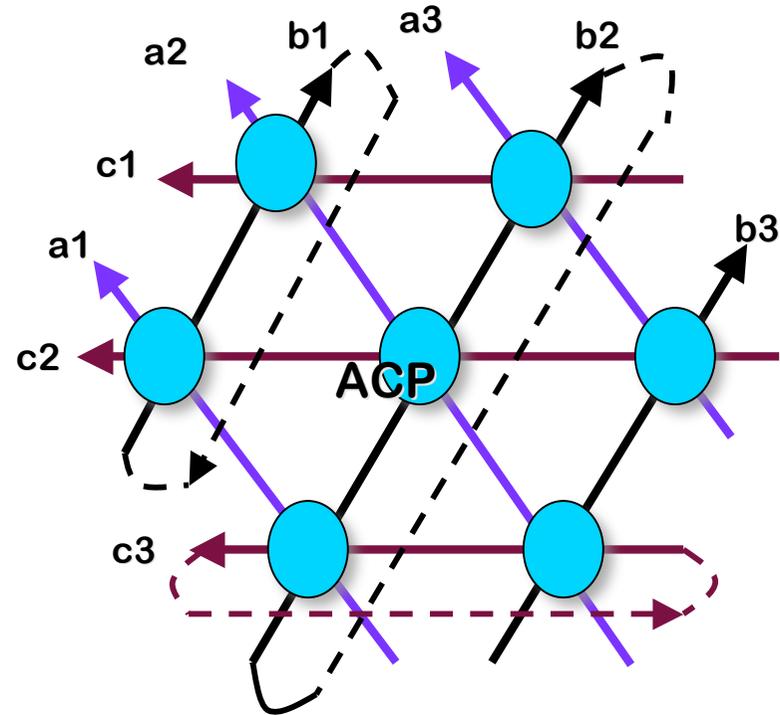
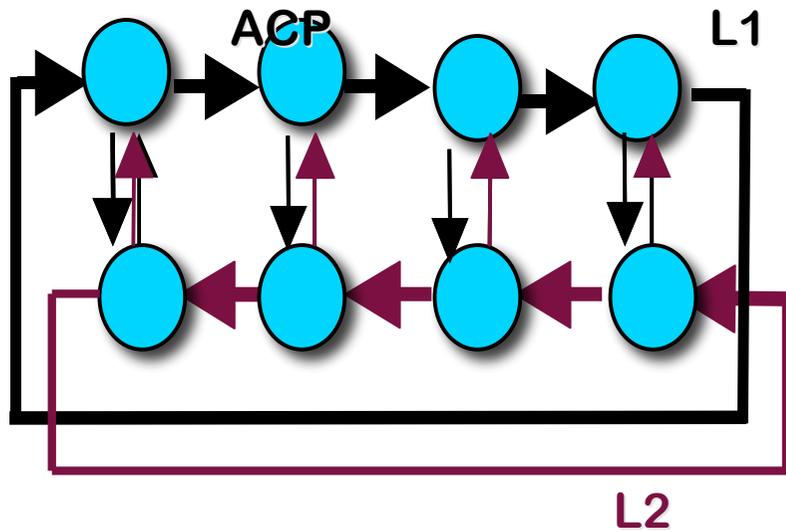
# Virtual Data Field by Broadcast



## Elements of Typical Information Format

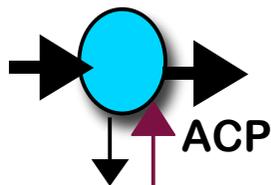
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# Connection of Autonomous Decentralized Systems



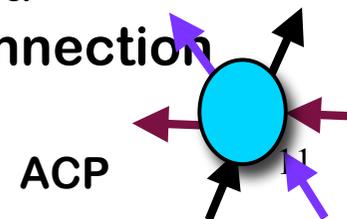
## Analogy of Nerve

Loosely coupled Double loop network



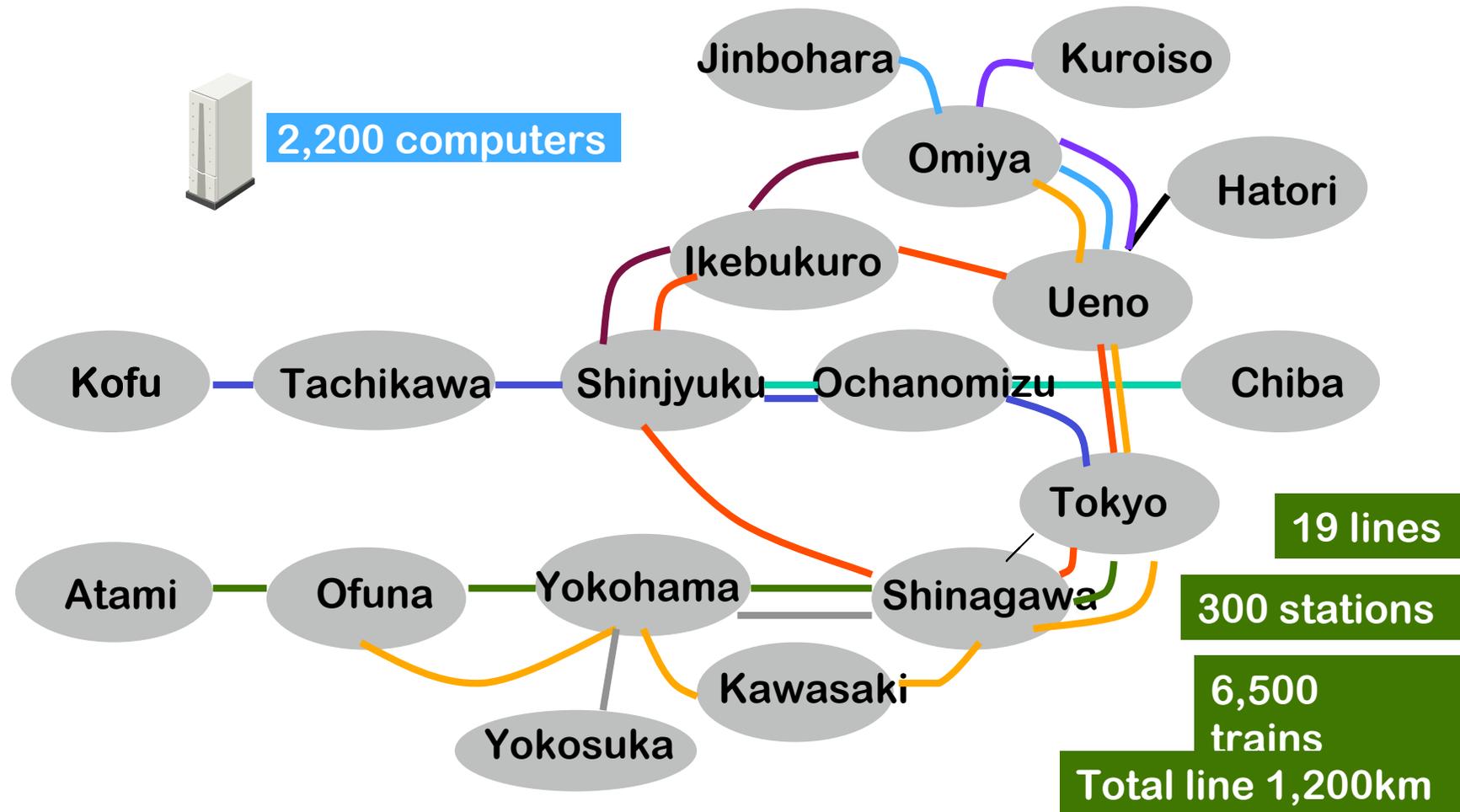
## Analogy of Brain

Tightly coupled Hexagonal connection

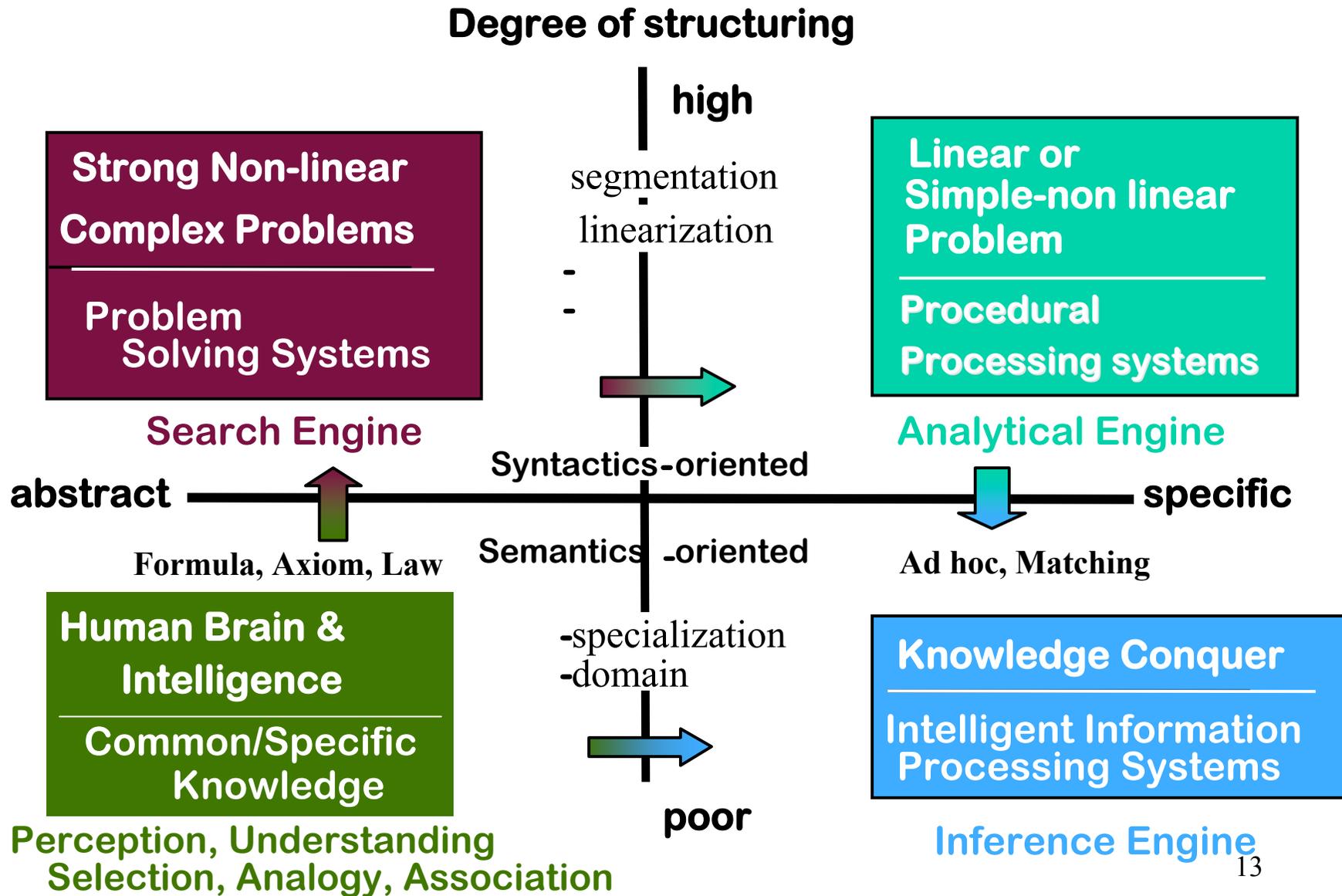


# Autonomous decentralized Transport Operation control and information System (ATOS)

introduced since 1996 in Tokyo Metropolitan Wide Area



# Our Target of Remained Area of Computing



# Evolutional Practice of AI Technology

## Attempts in early 1980s

- ✓ Diagnosis of Nuclear Power Plant
- ✓ Quality Control of Semiconductor Manufacturing
- ✓ Project Management of Oversea Construction of Fossil Power Plant

**EUREKA**  
(Real-time Inference Engine)

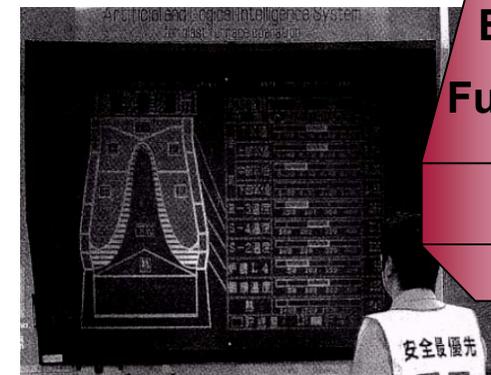
## Real Applications Developed in 1980s

- ✓ Operation Guidance of Blast Furnace and Public Utility Plants
- ✓ Generation Assistance of Train Operation Diagrams
- ✓ Construction Planning and Project Management Support
- ✓ Assessment Support of Financial Investment

## Fuzzy Expert System for Subway Operation (1987)



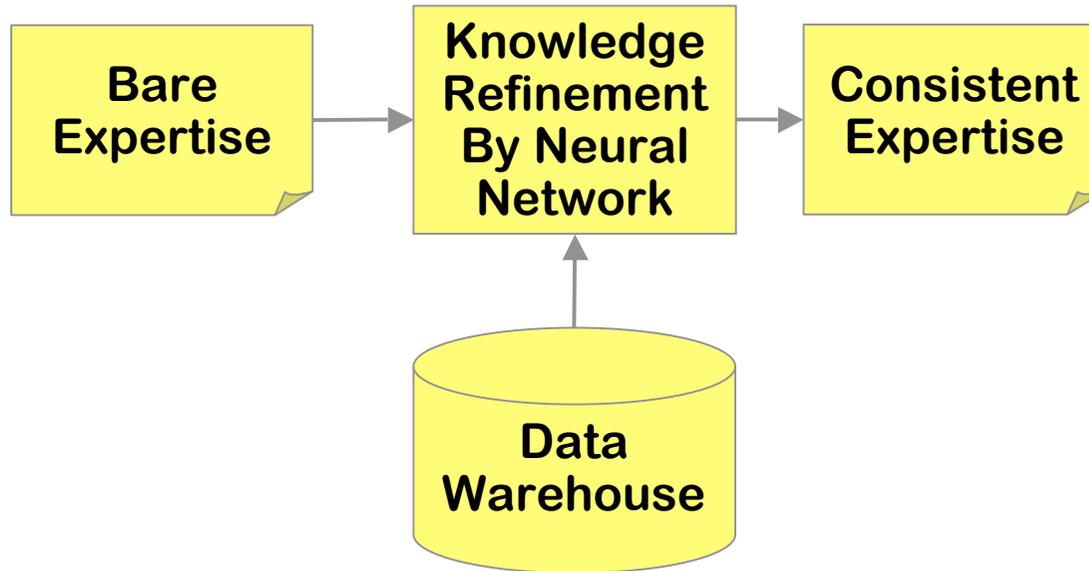
**Management Methodology for Uncertainty**



**Blast Furnace**

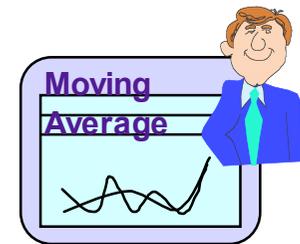
# Knowledge Acquisition Technology for AI Systems

## ➤ Gray Box Approach

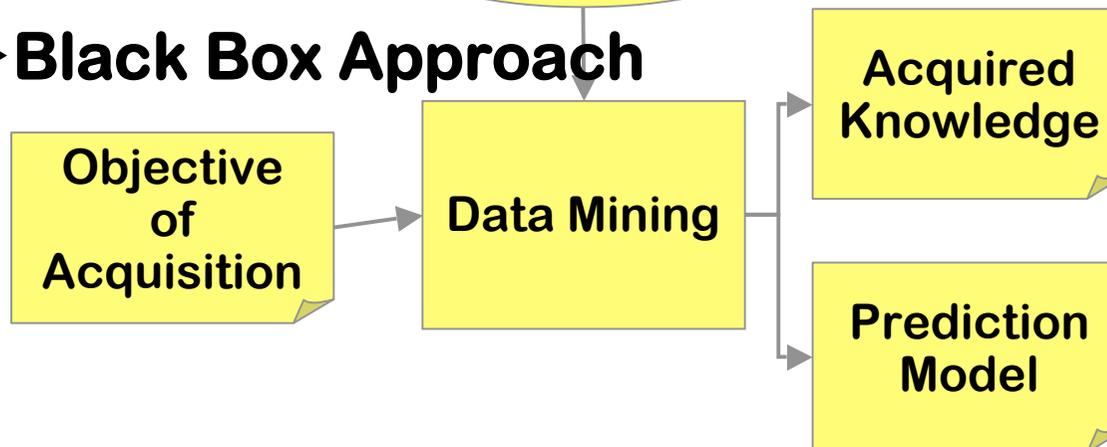


## Applications for instance

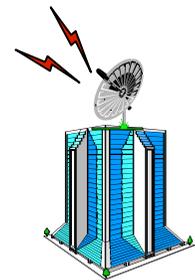
- ✓ Control Systems for Public Utility Plants
- ✓ Financial Trading Systems



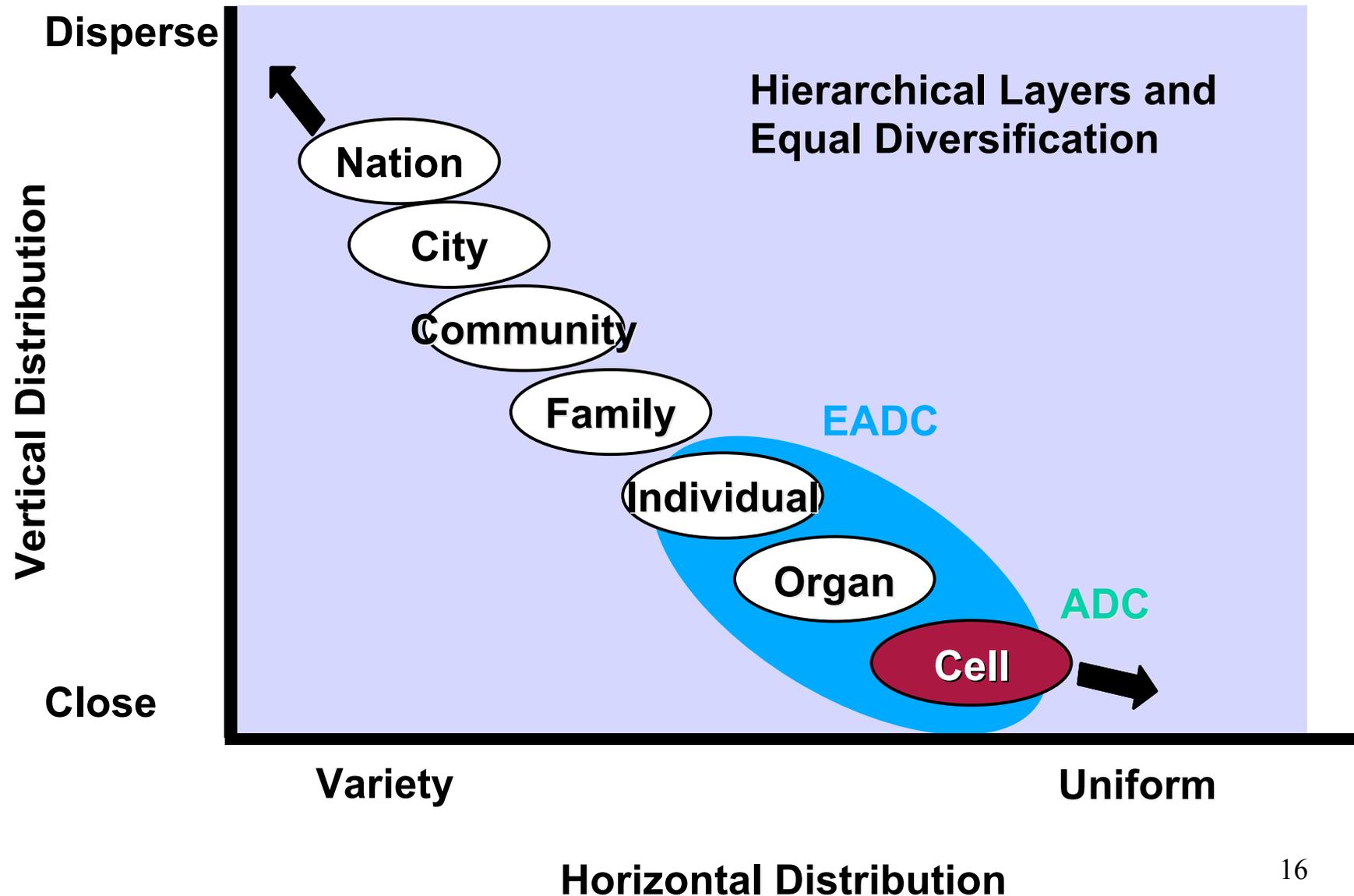
## ➤ Black Box Approach



- ✓ CRM (Customer Relationship Management) Systems in Telecommunication Operators
- ✓ Quality Control Systems in LSI Manufacturing



# Hierarchical Systems of Human-beings



# Definition of Autonomous Observability for EADC

## **Autonomous Observability:**

**if any change occurs  
in the surrounding of the subsystem,  
subsystems can observe it immediately**

**EADC is characterized by**

**Autonomous controllability**

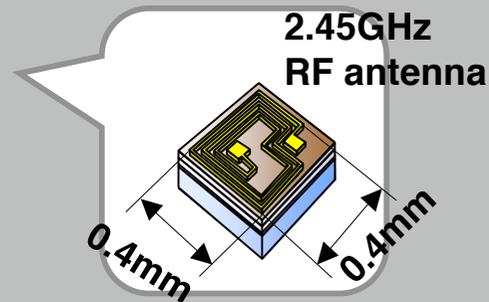
**Autonomous coordinability**

**Autonomous observability**

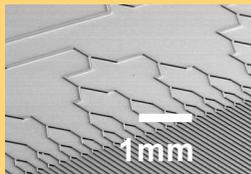


# Emerging Players for Autonomous Observability

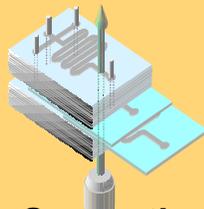
## Antenna Built-in Type RFID $\mu$ -chip



## $\mu$ -TAS (Micro Total Analysis System) for Health Monitoring



Micro Channel

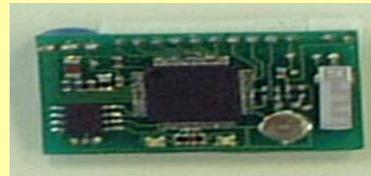


Micro Separation Devices



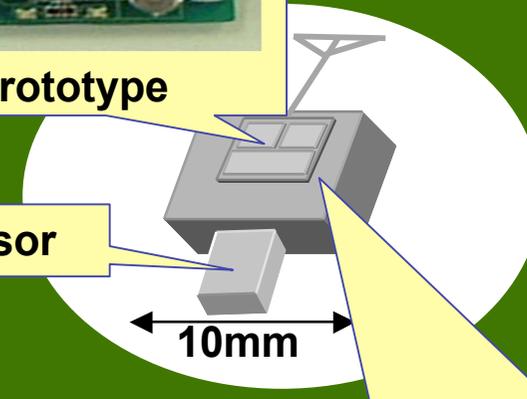
## Sensor Network Devices

LSI(Wireless + Controller)



Prototype

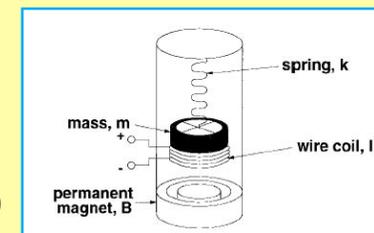
Sensor



10mm

Vibration based Generator

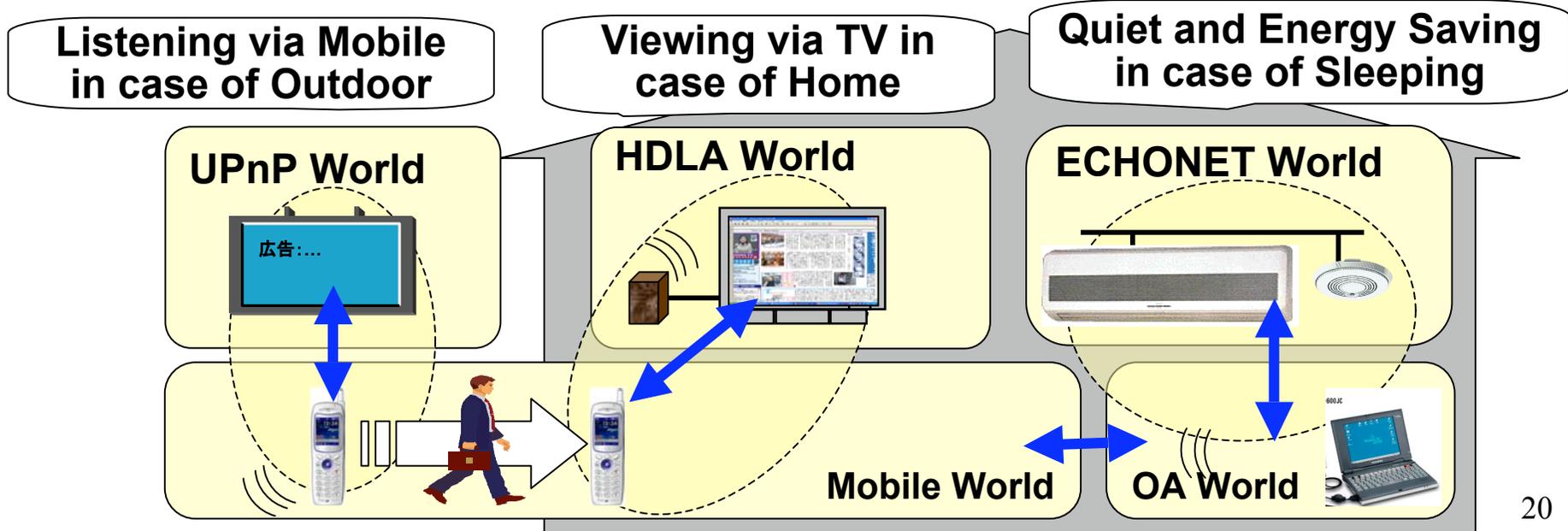
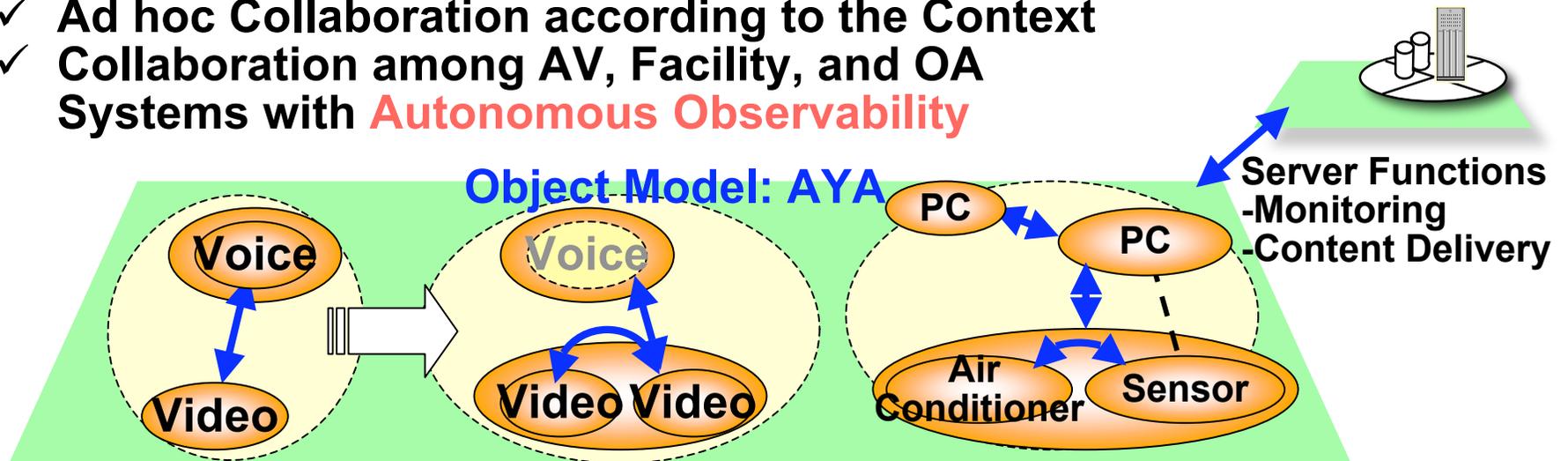
R. Amirtharajah  
et al. of MIT (1999)



# Super Distributed Objects:

## AYA(context Aware & Yet Another service)

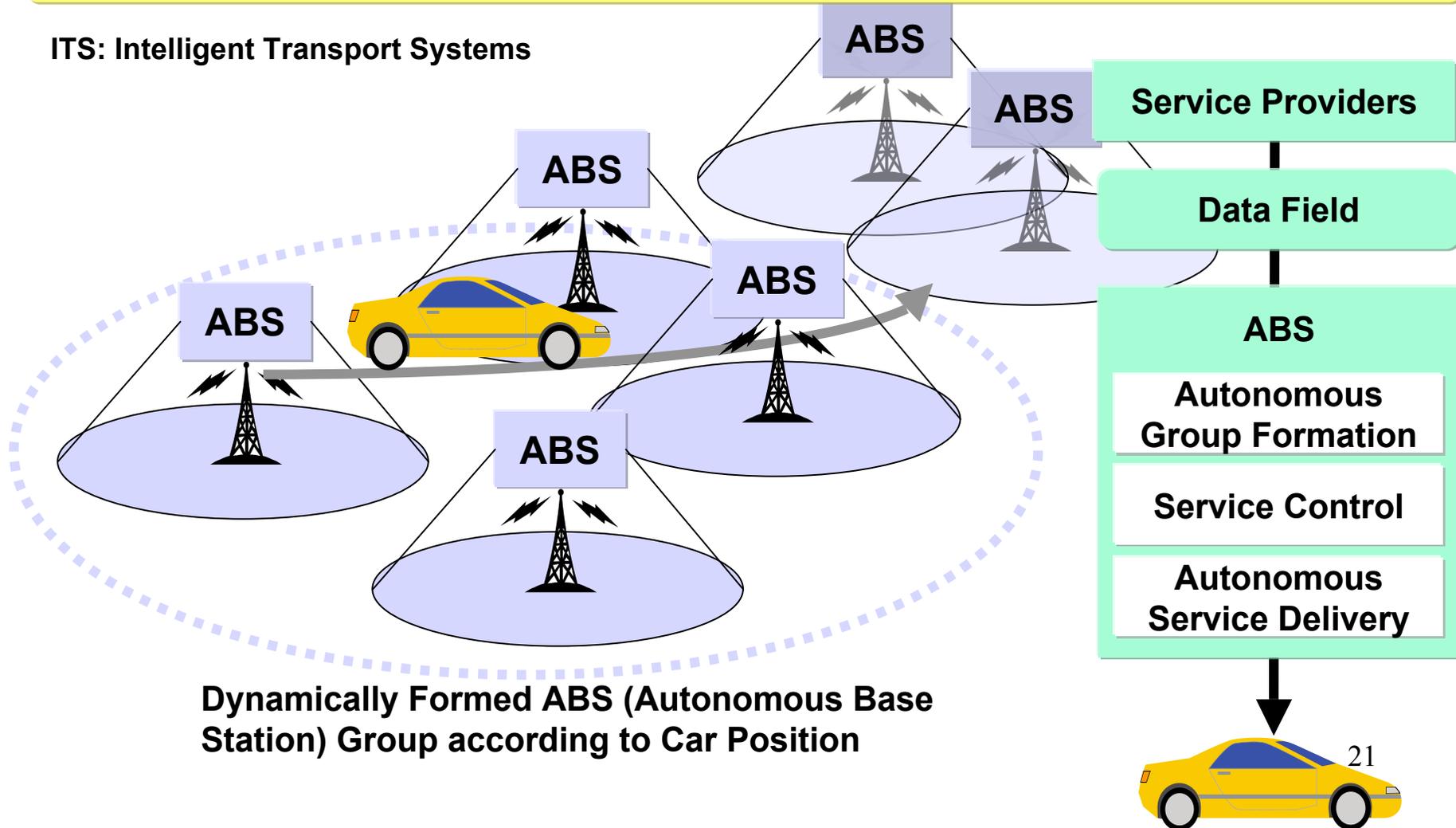
- ✓ Ad hoc Collaboration according to the Context
- ✓ Collaboration among AV, Facility, and OA Systems with **Autonomous Observability**



# Autonomous Group Management for ITS based on Autonomous Observability

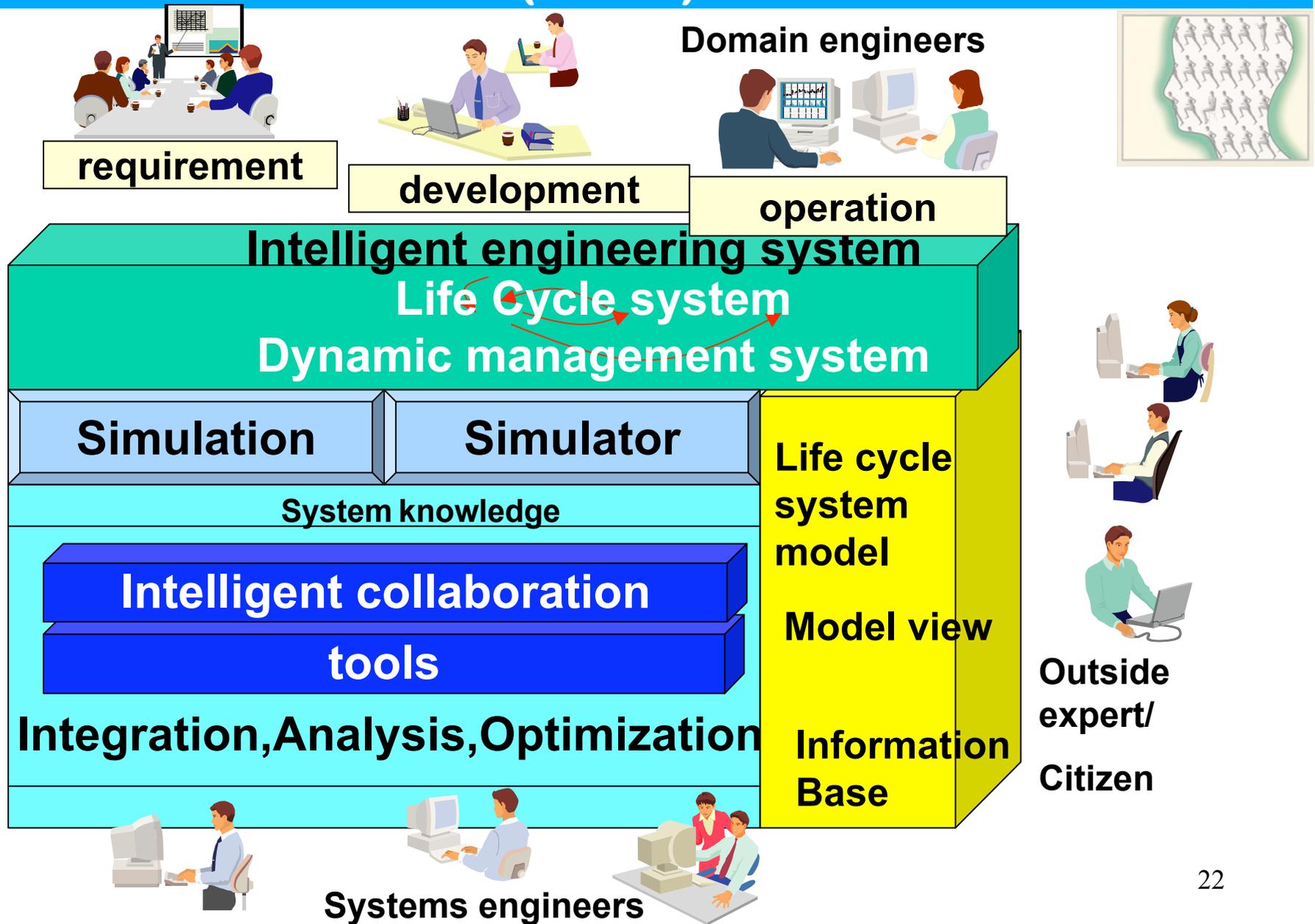
Reliable Data Transmission for High Speed Cars through DSRC (Dedicated Short Range Communications) by Autonomous Group Formation of Base Stations

ITS: Intelligent Transport Systems

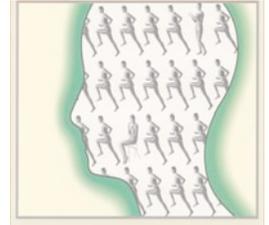


Dynamically Formed ABS (Autonomous Base Station) Group according to Car Position

# Open Development and Operation Infrastructure (ODOI)



# Aims of Open Development & Operation Infrastructure (ODOI)



## For project members

to retrieve, accumulate, suggest, simulate, validate and synthesize comprehensive information and knowledge for the phases of plan, design, validation and operation

## For project members and experts outside

to communicate, exchange, discuss and interact recursively

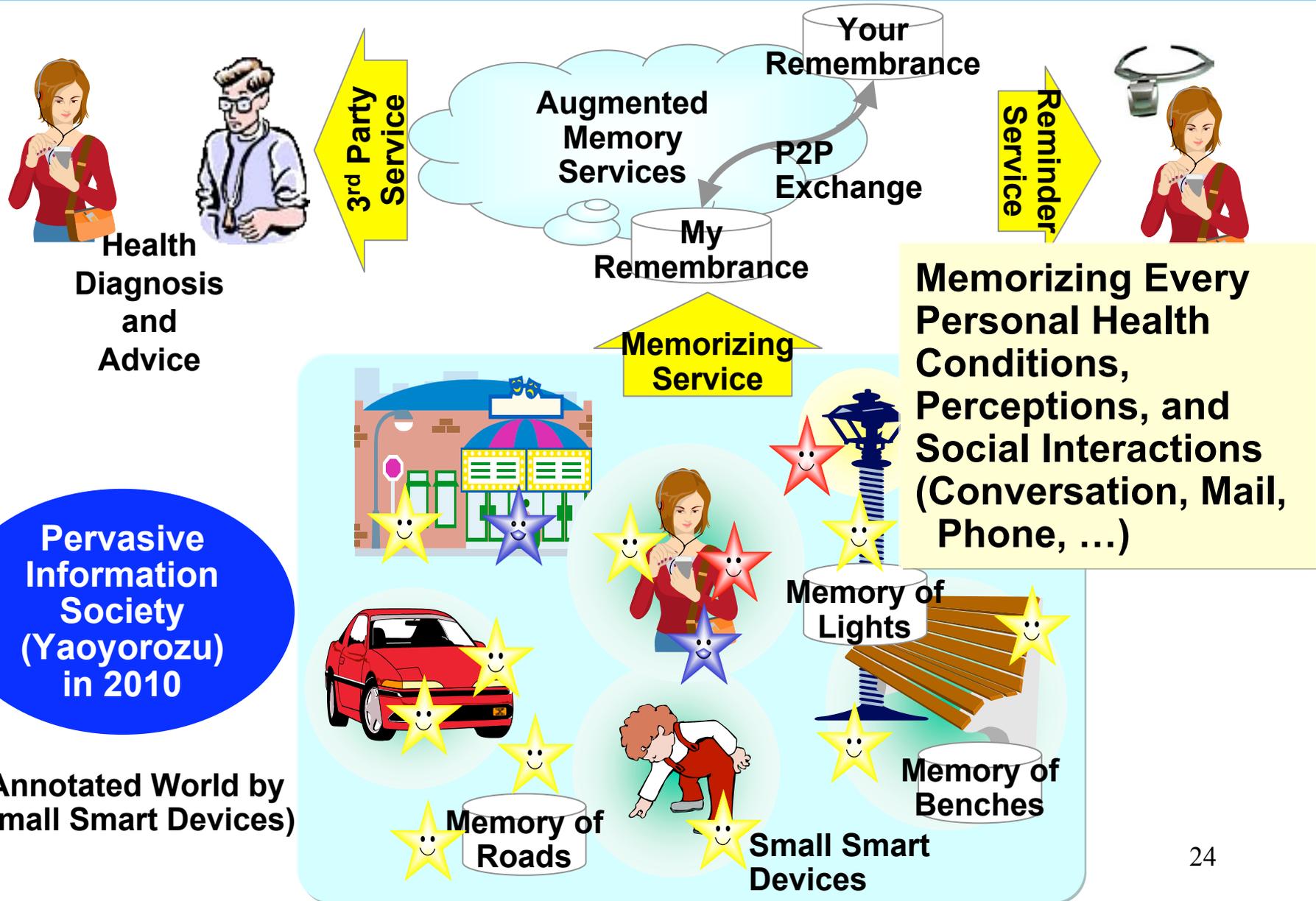
## For people interested in including citizens

to watch recursively the on-going process and proposed new idea or suggestion

## For developed systems

to have autonomous operation supported by **ODOE**

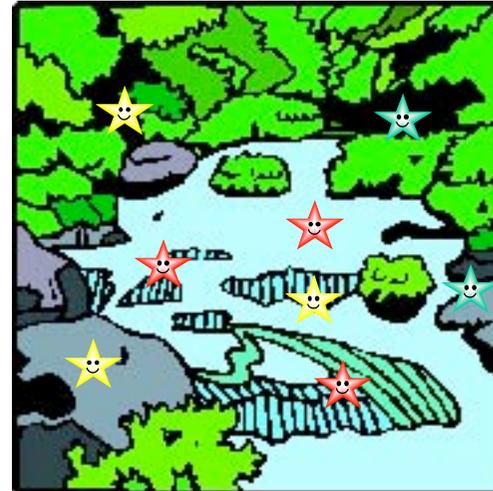
# Sample Scenario for Yaoyorozu Society in 2010



# Yaoyorozu in Japanese Myth

“Yaoyorozu” (= eight million) means **countless in number**, particularly in the phrase “Yaoyorozu no Kami-gami, or “eight million gods”, indicating that gods live not only in the many shrines, but in trees and stones, in the sky and water, constantly surrounding and protecting us.

For our project, we use “Yaoyorozu” in place of **Ubiquitous for the heterogenous intelligent devices** surrounding and protecting us.



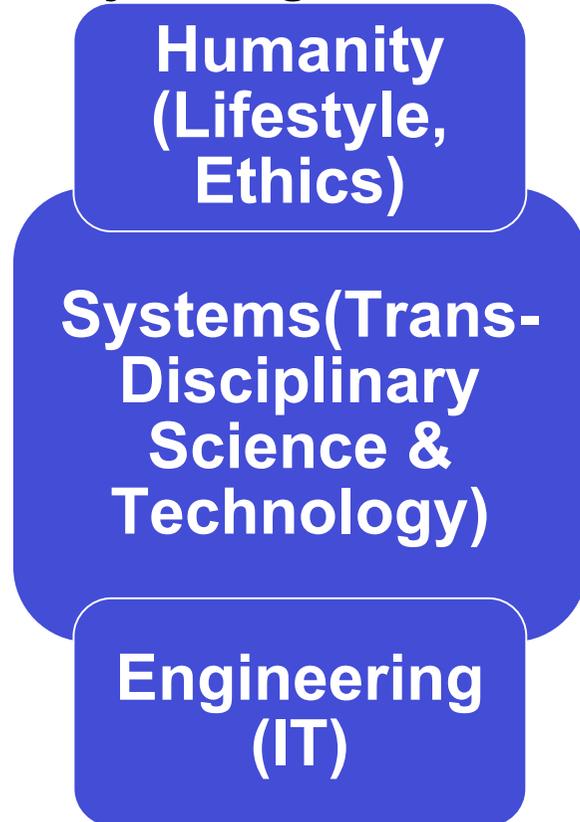
Eight Million Gods in Japanese Myth

Secure and Affluent Society by Convergence of IT, Bio, and Nano



# The Yaoyorozu Project

## Project Organization



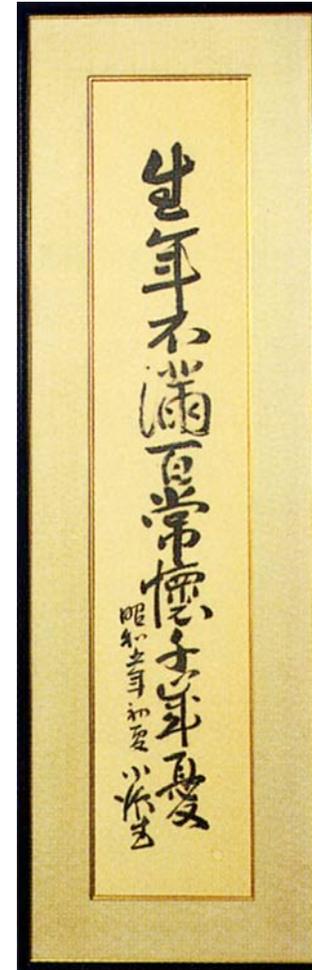
➤ **Research Goal**  
- **Desirable Institutional  
Systems & Core  
Technology for  
Ubiquitous (Yaoyorozu)  
Information Society in  
2010**  
- **Research Methodology  
for Multi-disciplines**  
(August 2002-March 2005)

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# Our Research Attitude

Although our lifetime may not span a  
hundred years,  
we have concerns of a thousand years

Sculpture by Ryoji Goto



Calligraphy by Mr. ODAIRA  
Namihei  
(Founder of Hitachi, Ltd.)