Visualizing Dynamic Behavior

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Abstract

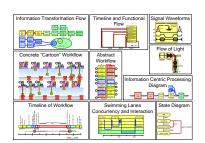
Dynamic behavior manifests itself in many ways. Architects need multiple complementary visualizations to capture dynamic behavior effectively. Examples are capturing information, material, or energy flow, state, time, interaction, or communication.

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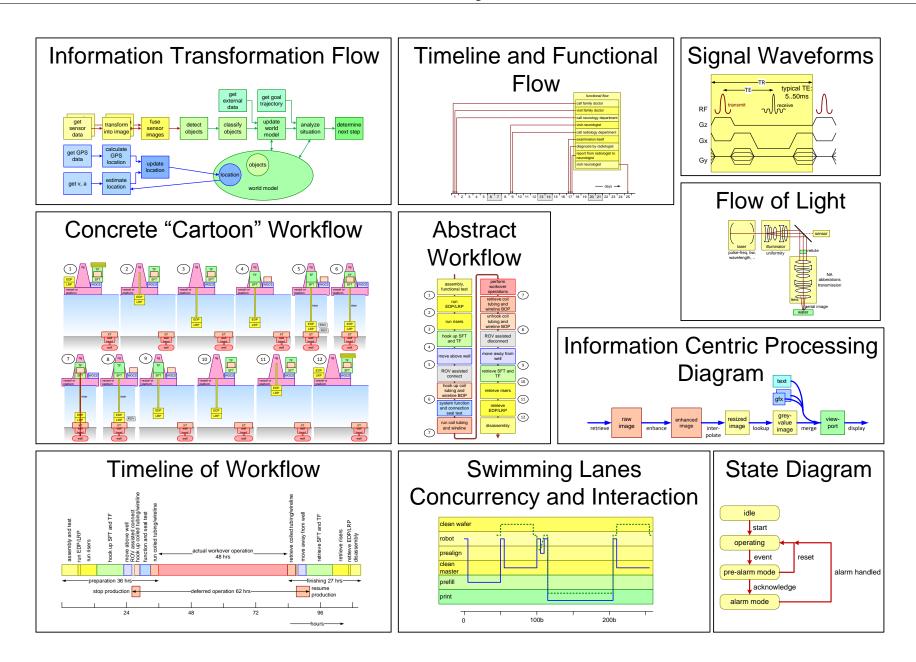
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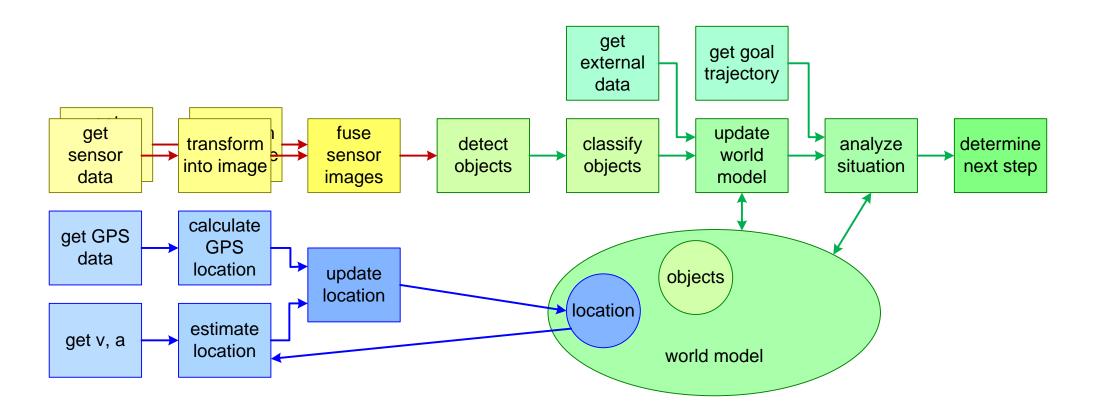
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Overview of Visualizations of Dynamic Behavior

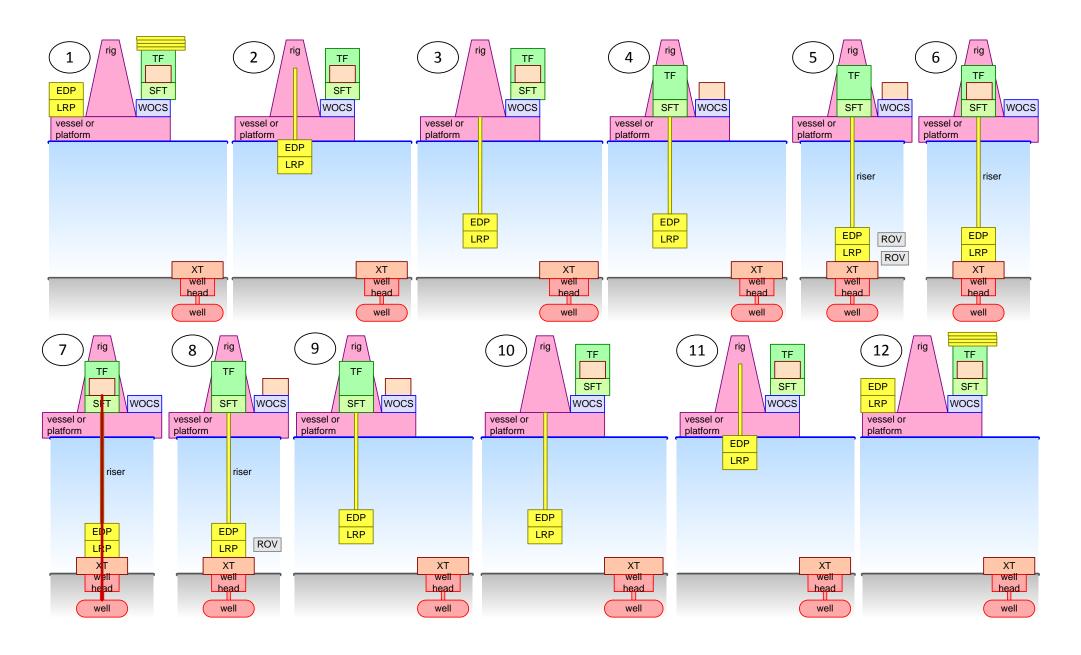


Example Functional Model of Information Flow



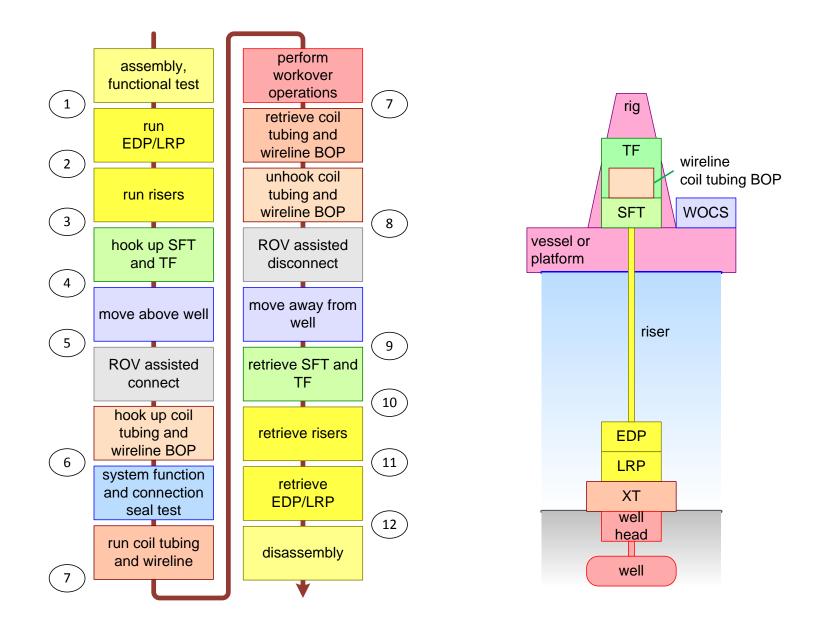


"Cartoon" Workflow



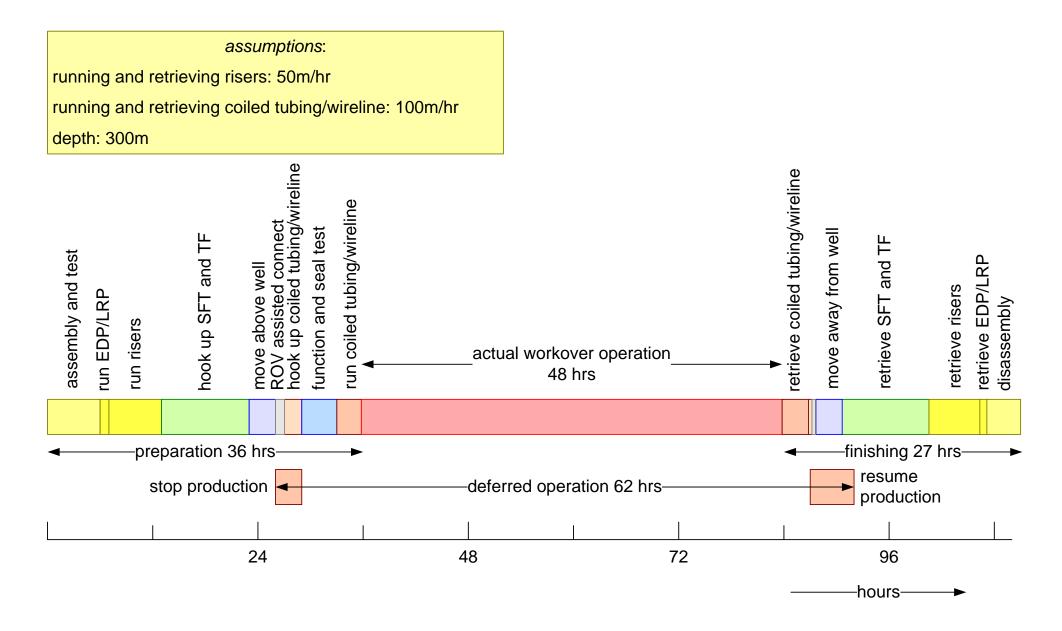


Workflow as Functional Model



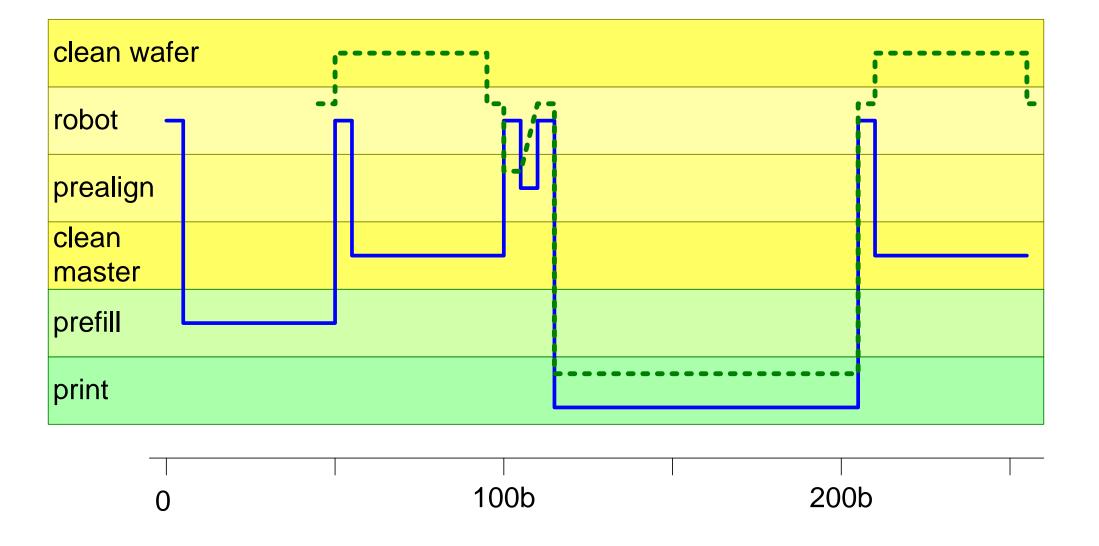


Workflow as Timeline



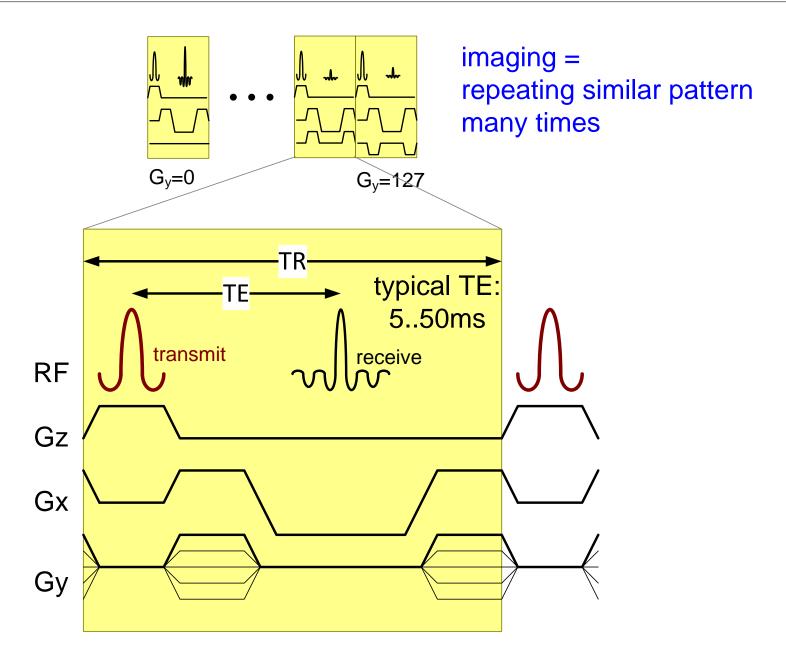


Swimming Lane Example



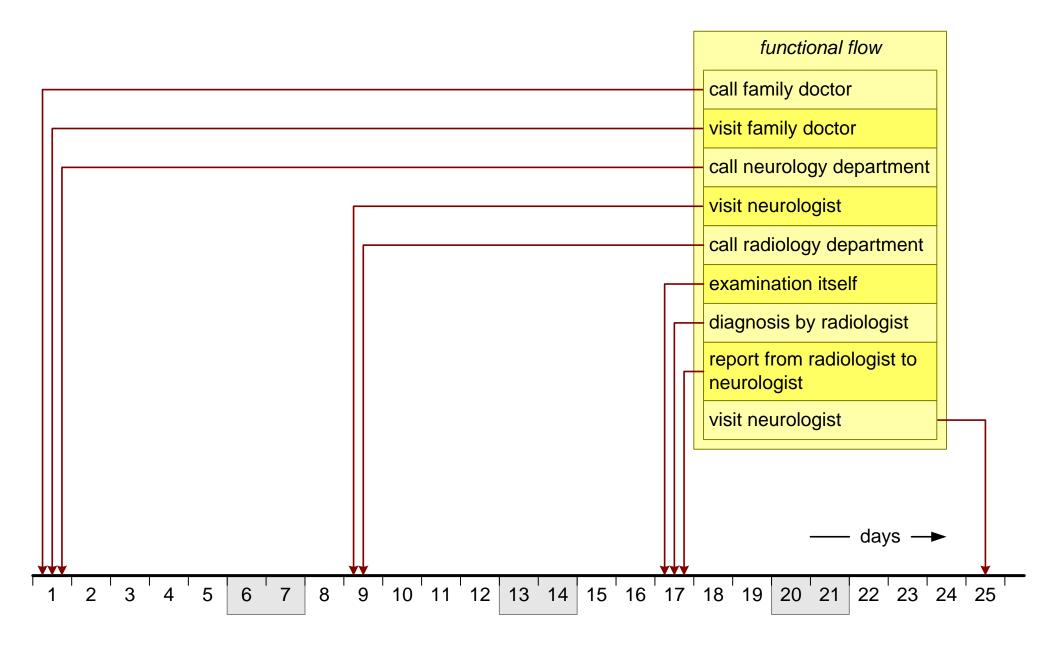


Example Signal Waveforms



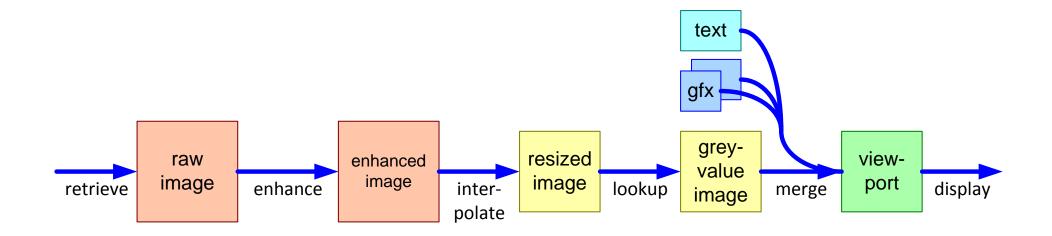


Example Time Line with Functional Model



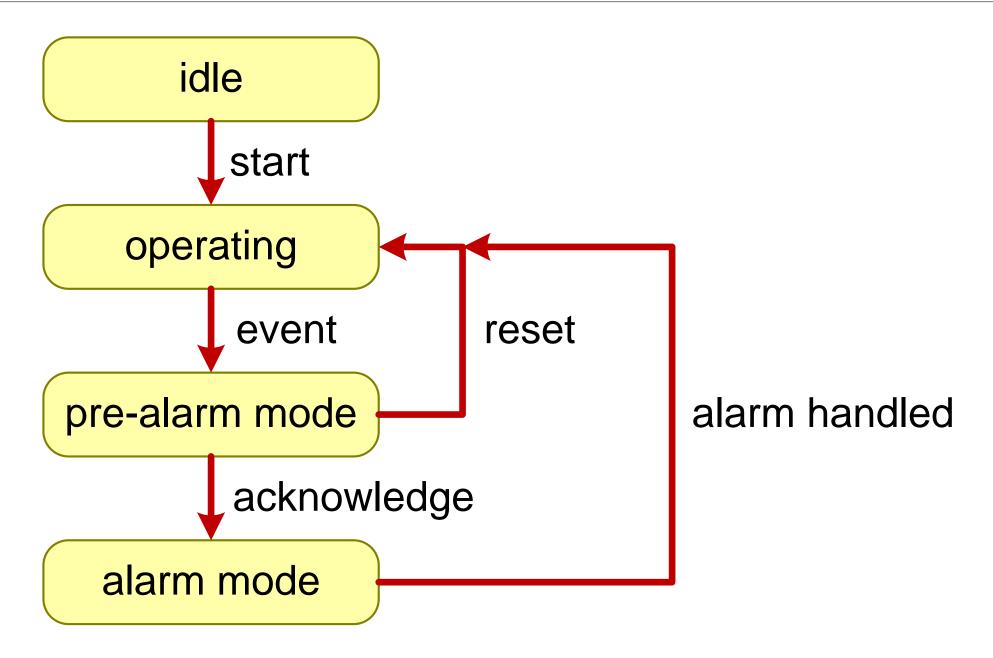


Information Centric Processing Diagram



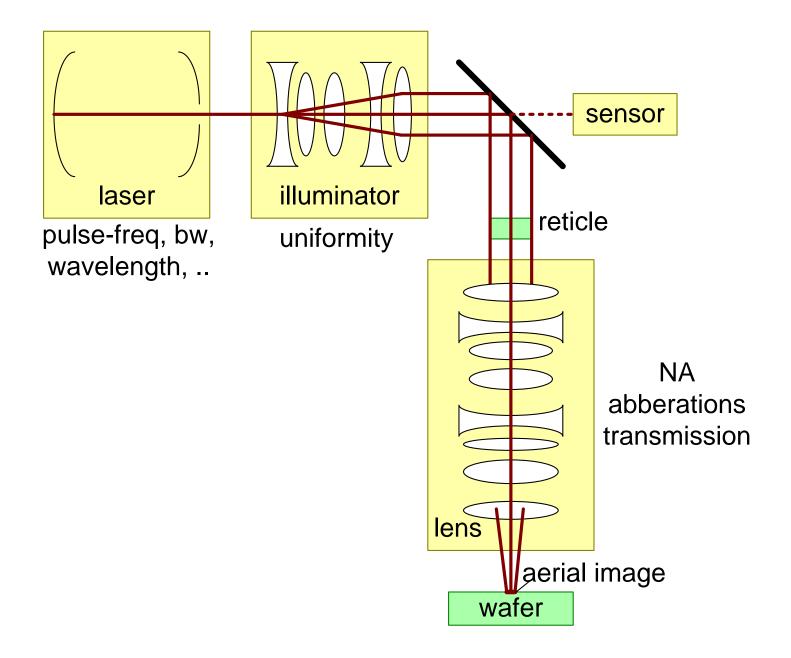


Example State Diagram





Flow of Light (Physics)





Dynamic Behavior is Multi-Dimensional

How does the system work and operate?

Functions describe what rather than how.

Functions are verbs.

Input-Process-Output paradigm.

Multiple kinds of flows:

physical (e.g. hydrocarbons, goods, energy)

information (e.g. measurements, signals)

control

Time, events, cause and effect

Concurrency, synchronization, communication

multi-dimensional information and dynamic behavior

