



RESEARCHING FUTURE

Technology Forecasting (GETTING PRESCIENT KNOWLEDGE)

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...- Г-голубчики, - сказал Федор Симеонович озадаченно, разобравшись в почерках.
- Это же п-проблема Бен Б-бецалая. К-калиостро же доказал, что она н-не имеет р-решения.

- Мы сами знаем, что она не имеет решения, - сказал Хунта, немедленно оцетиниваясь.
- Мы хотим знать, как ее решать.

- К-как-то ты странно рассуждаешь, К-кристо... К-как же искать решение, к-когда его нет?
Б-бесмыслица какая-то...

- Извини, Теодор, но это ты странно рассуждаешь.
Бесмыслица – искать решение, если оно и так есть.
Речь идет о том, как поступать с задачей, которая решения не имеет...

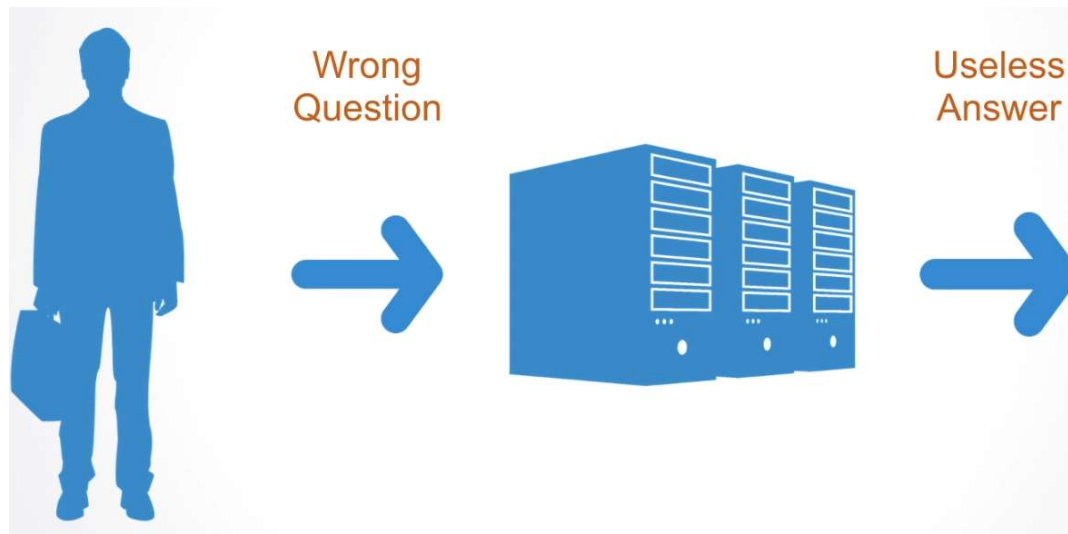
А.Стругацкий, Б.Стругацкий. Понедельник начинается в субботу.

*We fail more often
because we solve the
wrong problem than
because we get the
wrong solution to the
right problem*



Russel Ackoff (1919 –2009)
was an American organizational theorist, consultant, and Anheuser-
Busch Professor Emeritus of Management Science at the Wharton
School, University of Pennsylvania.
Ackoff was a pioneer in the field of operations research, systems
thinking and management science.

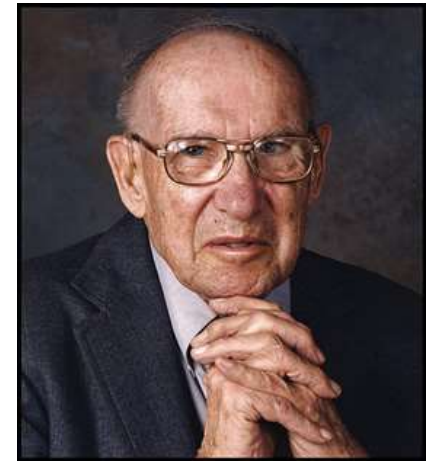
*If you ask the wrong question, it doesn't matter how good
your answer is,
it will lead you into wrong
direction.*



2004-2019, KUCHARAVY Dmitry

*. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=snOnTFBkRB0&list=PLsJWgOB5mIMC8qFrIhr5qAlutMivDe4vs&index=3>

*efficiency is doing things
right;
effectiveness is doing
the right things...*



Peter Drucker (1909 –2005)

was an Austrian-born American management consultant, educator, and author, whose writings contributed to the philosophical and practical foundations of the modern business corporation. He was also a leader in the development of management education, he invented the concept known as management by objectives and self-control, and he has been described as "the founder of modern management".

efficient vs. effective

EFFICIENT



EFFECTIVE



source: <http://blog.jackvinson.com>

How do we decide?

What is the right target?

WHY RESEARCHING FUTURE

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INVENTION

and

INNOVATION

WHAT IS THE FUTURE OF EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES?



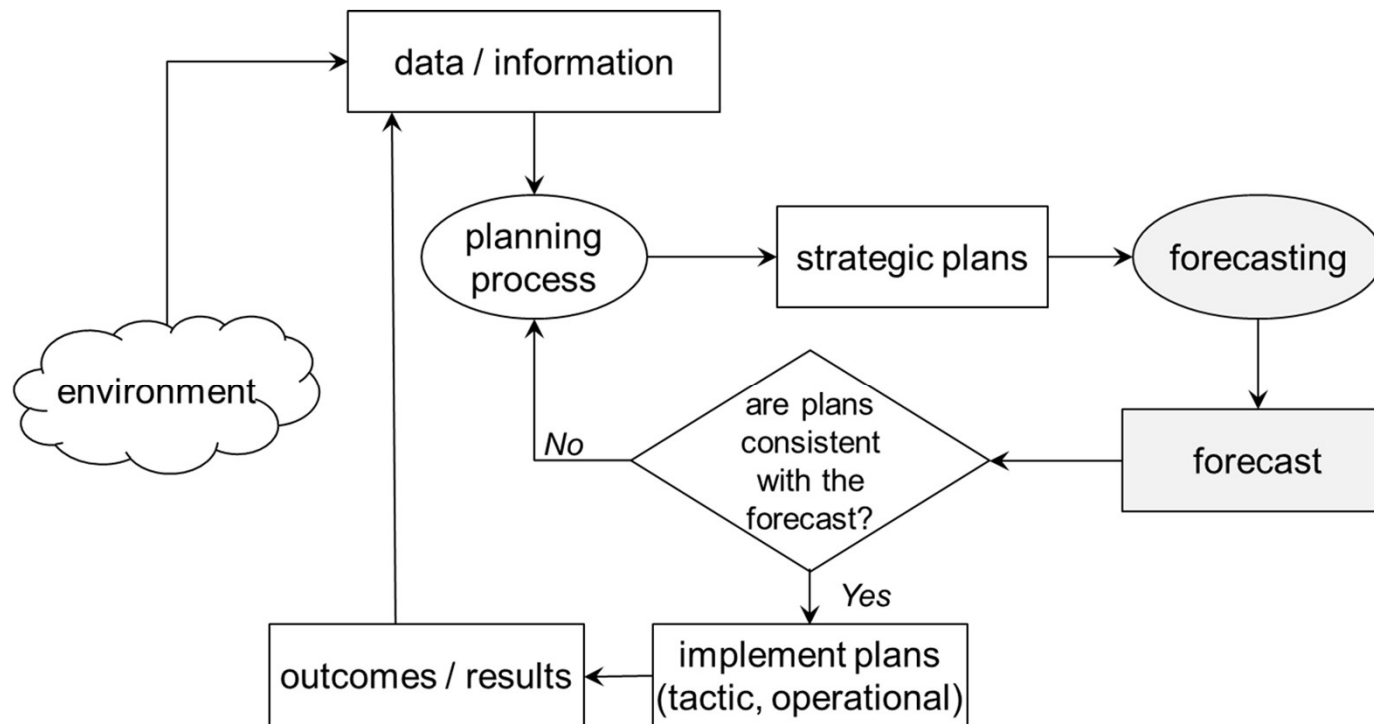
Feasibility and Performance
(e.g. km/kWh)



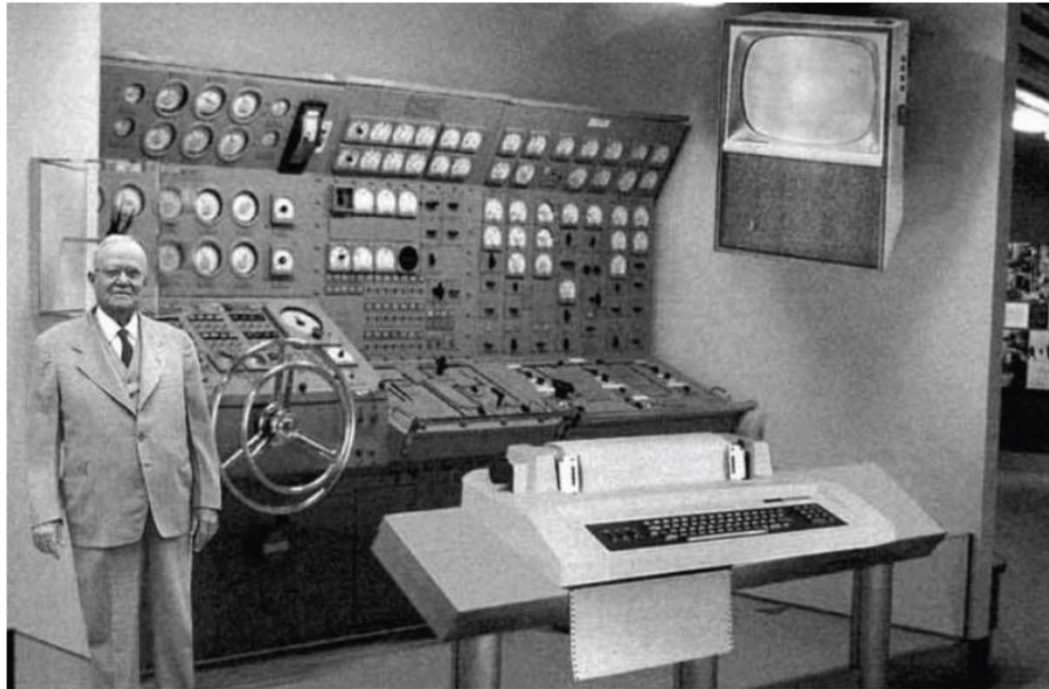
Production and profitability
(€, £, ¥, \$)

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framework for planning and forecasting



home computer in 2004: forecast of 1954



Scientists from the RAND Corporation have created this model to illustrate how a "home computer" could look like in the year 2004. However the needed technology will not be economically feasible for the average home. Also the scientists readily admit that the computer will require not yet invented technology to actually work, but 50 years from now scientific progress is expected to solve these problems. With teletype interface and the Fortran language, the computer will be easy to use.



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Source: Umberto Cugini, (2014) KAEMaRT, Politecnico di Milano

WHAT?

*will be state of
cooper mining technology*

WHEN?

the next 35 years

WHERE?

in Chile

WHY?

HOW?

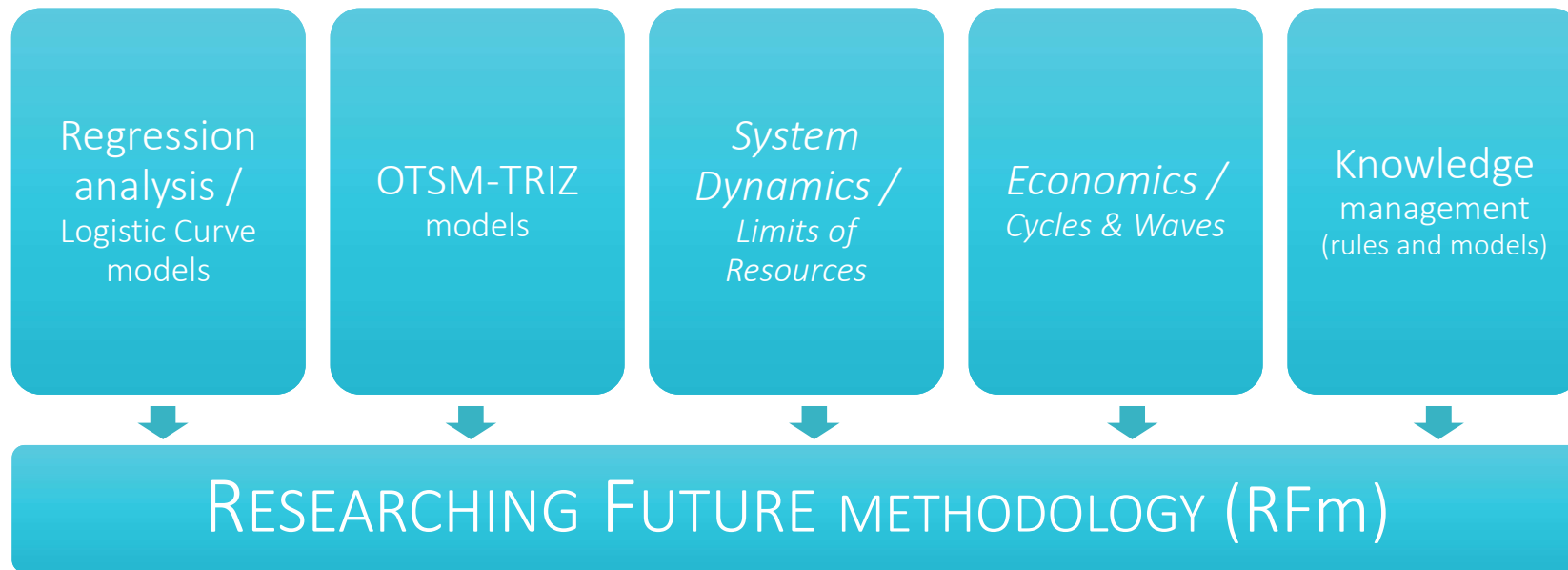
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Niels Bohr (1985-1962)

a Danish physicist who made foundational contributions to understanding atomic structure and quantum theory, for which he received the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1922

Researching Future methodology / basic components



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size reduction technology

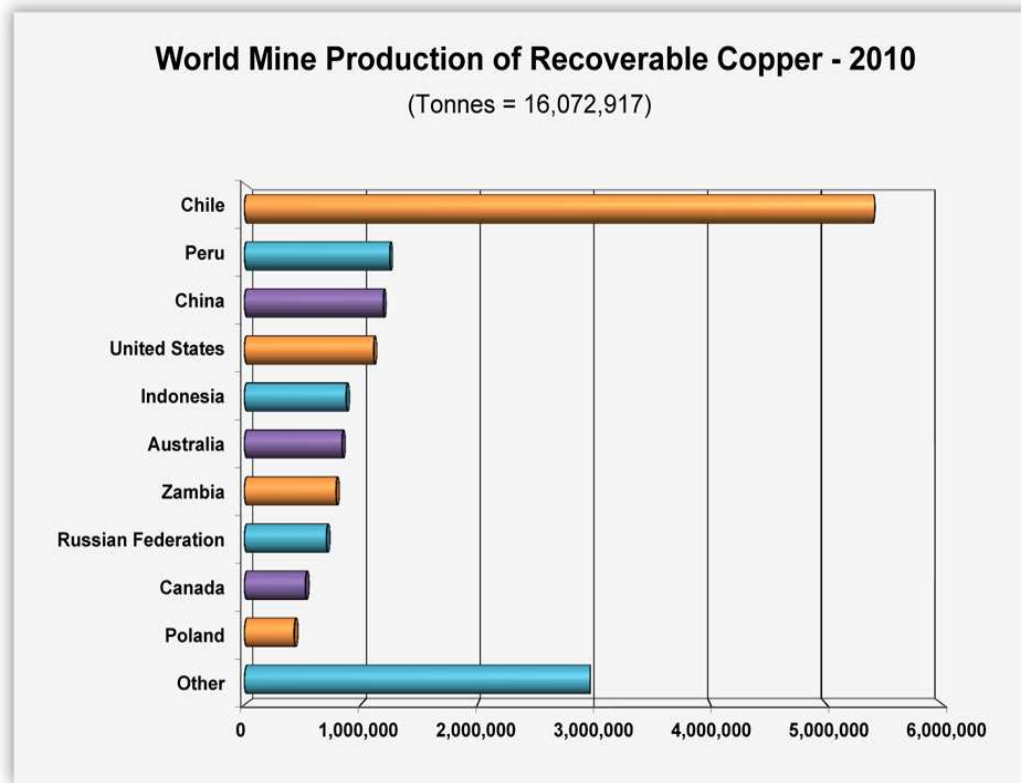
- cooper ore size-reduction technologies (until 2045 in Chile)
- size-reduction technologies life-cycle?
- neXt technology?
- gaps of knowledge and path from today → neXt ?



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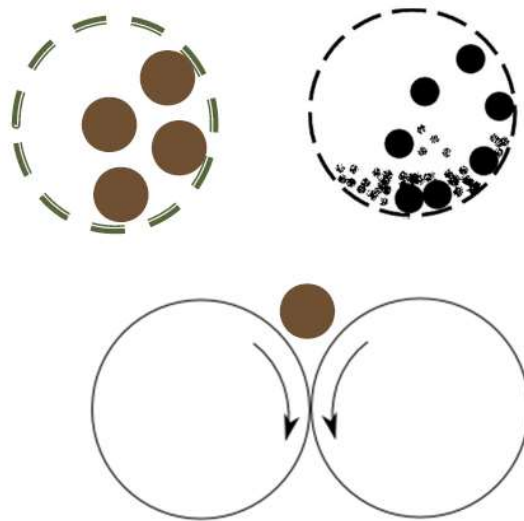
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cooper production by country

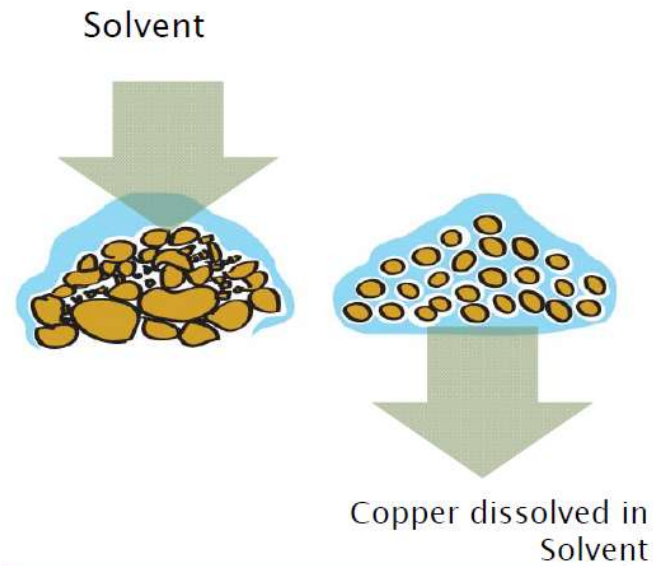


Source: International Copper Study Group

existing technologies

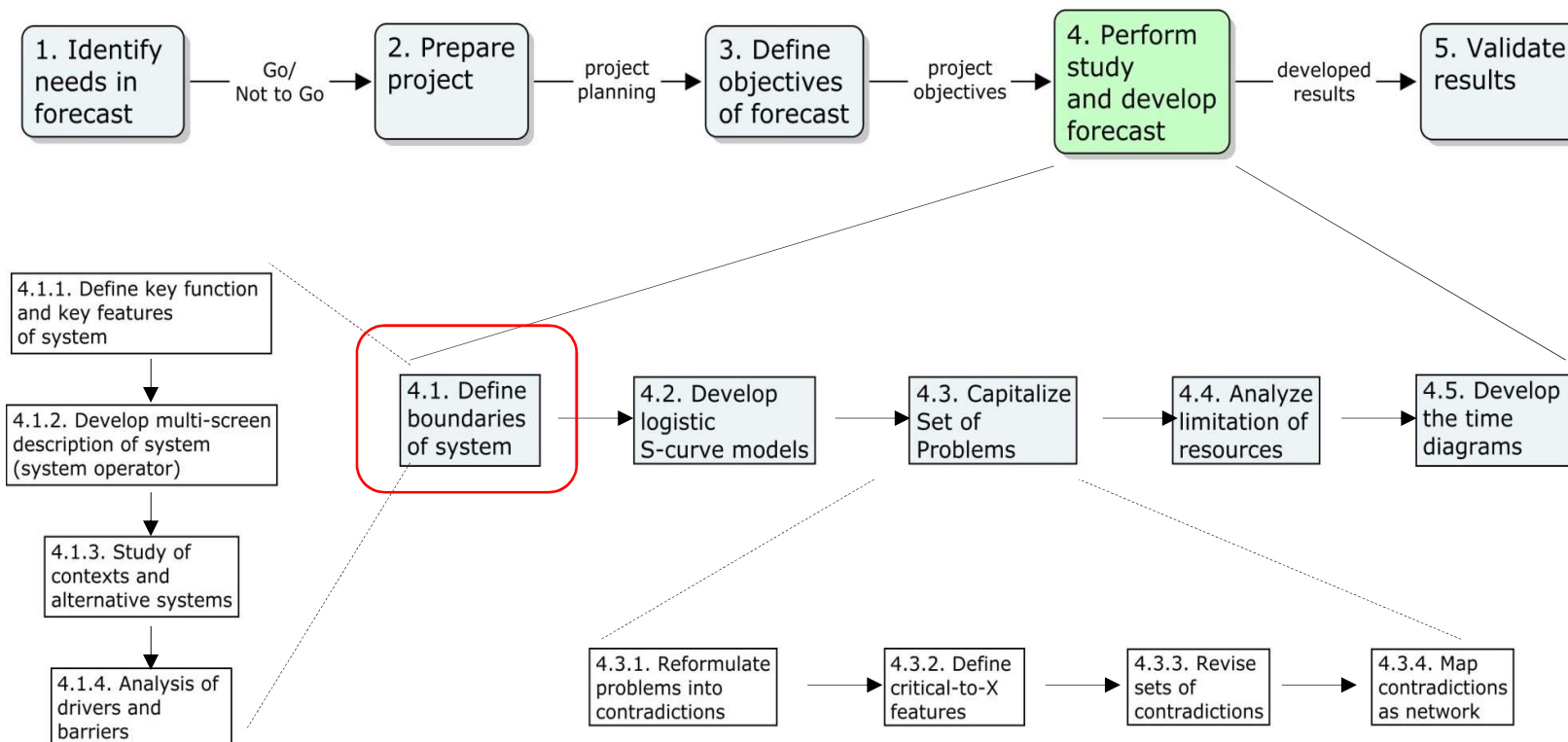


Mechanical



Chemical (leaching)

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boundaries of system

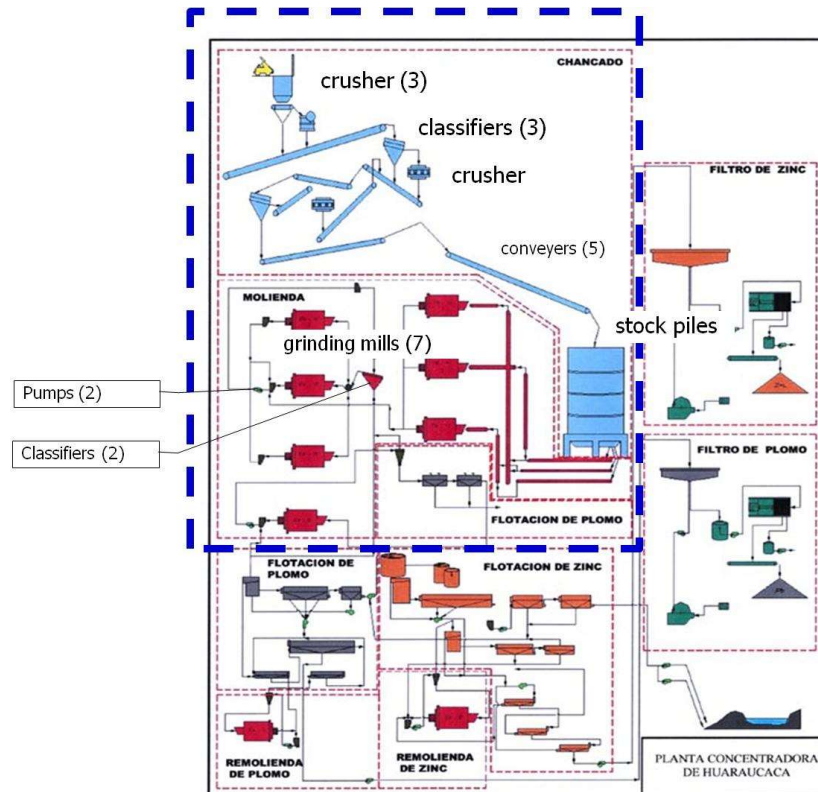
PROCESS:

to <reduce> <size> of ore lumps

to <expose> the surface of
mineral
particles

as a part of process

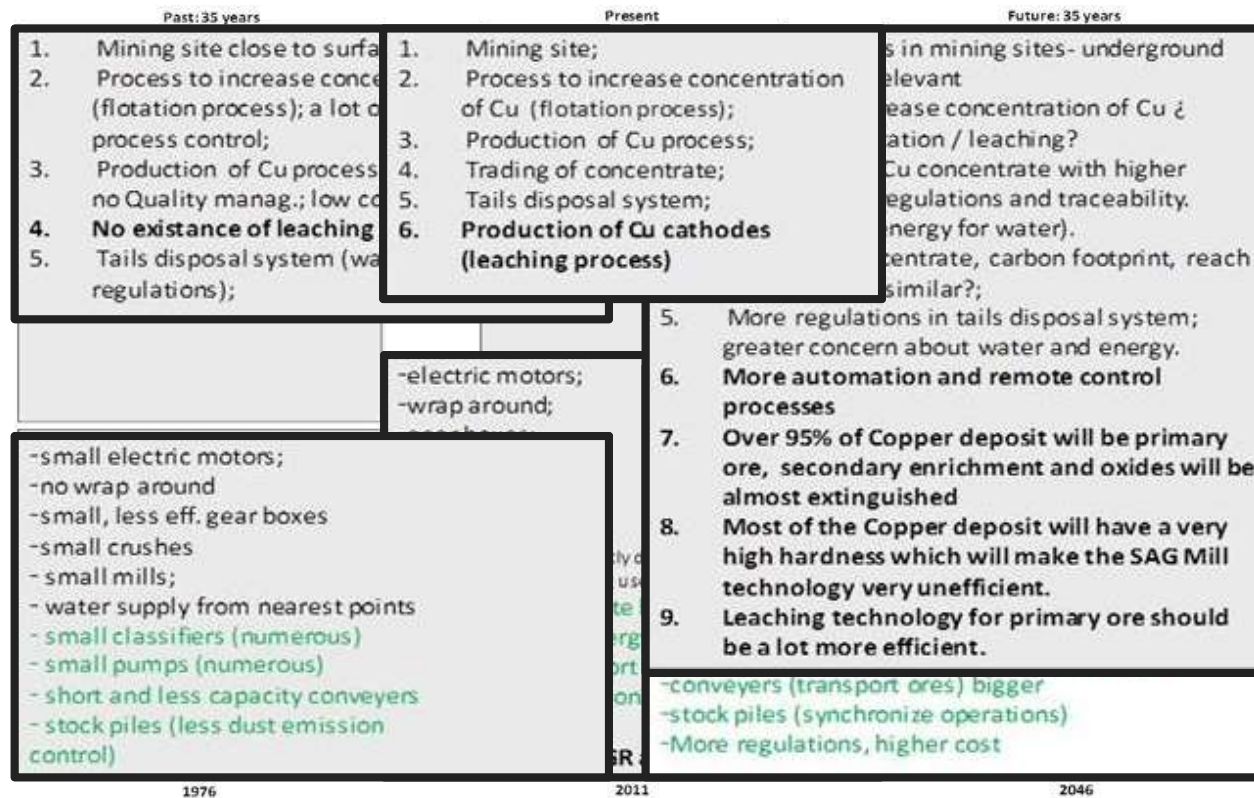
to <increase> <concentration> of copper



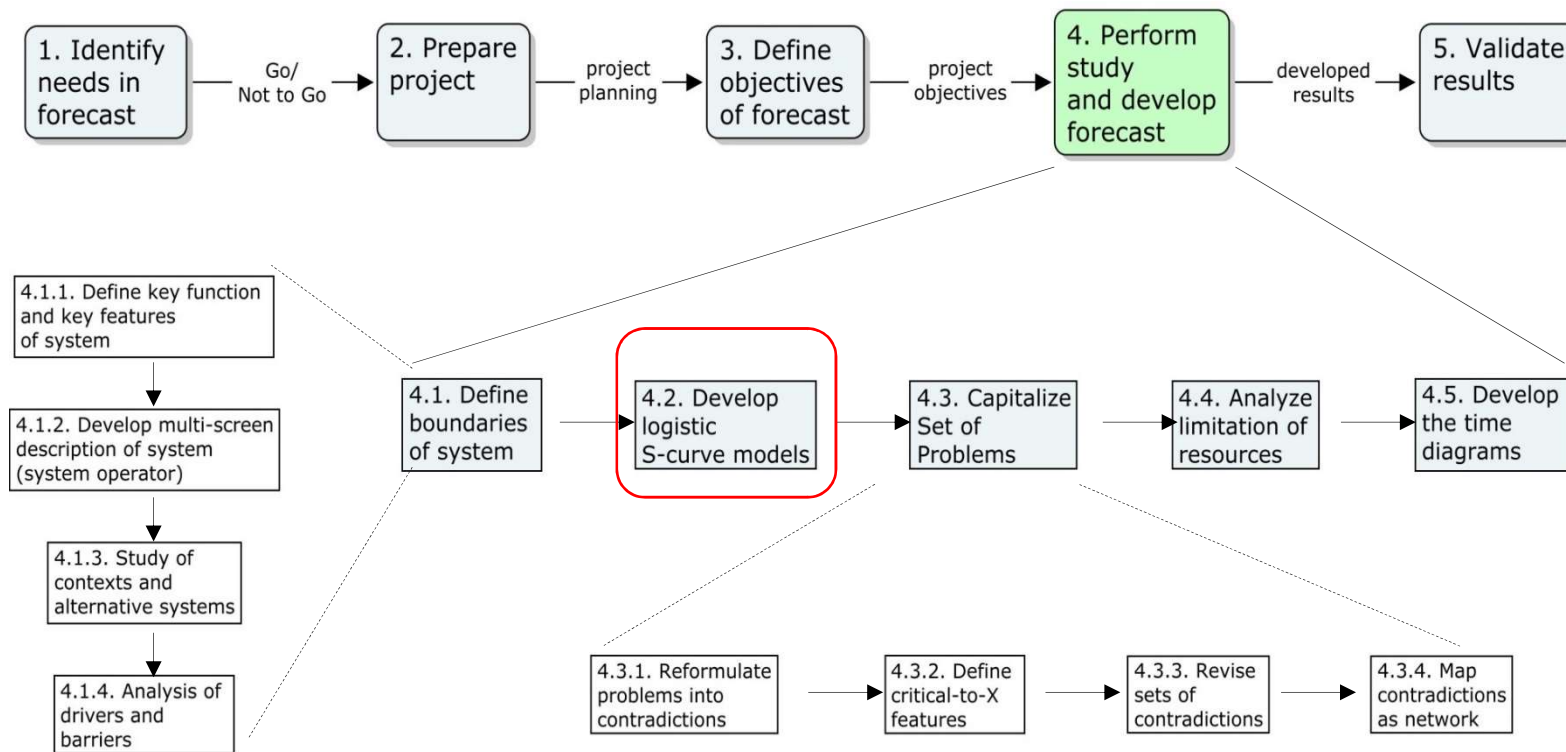
alternative technologies

		SAG	Conventional	HPGR	Leaching	Leaching	Output
Super System	System	Drilling	Drilling	Drilling	Drilling	Drilling	Big particles
		Blasting	Blasting	Blasting	Blasting	Blasting	
		Hauling	Hauling	Hauling	Hauling	Hauling	
		Primary Crusher	Primary Crusher	Primary Crusher	Primary Crusher		Medium particles
		SAG	Secondary Crusher	Secondary Crusher	Secondary Crusher		
			Tertiary Crusher	HPGR	Tertiary Crusher		
		Ball Mill	Ball Mill				Small particles
		Regrinding	Regrinding	Regrinding			
		Ball or Verti or Isa Mill	Ball or Verti or Isa Mill	Ball or Verti or Isa Mill			
		Flotation	Flotation	Flotation			copper concentrate
					Leaching	Leaching	Copper
					SX –EX	SX –EX	
		Melt	Melt	Melt	electrowinning	electrowinning	Fine Copper

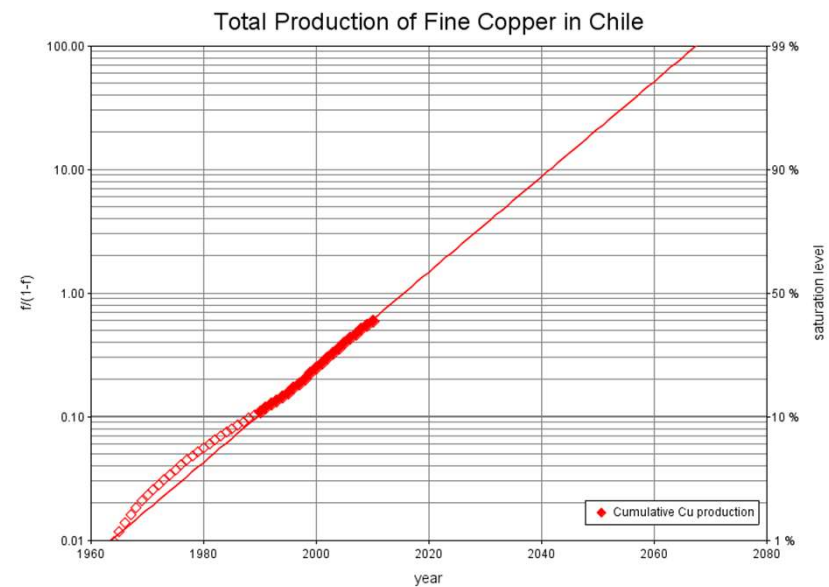
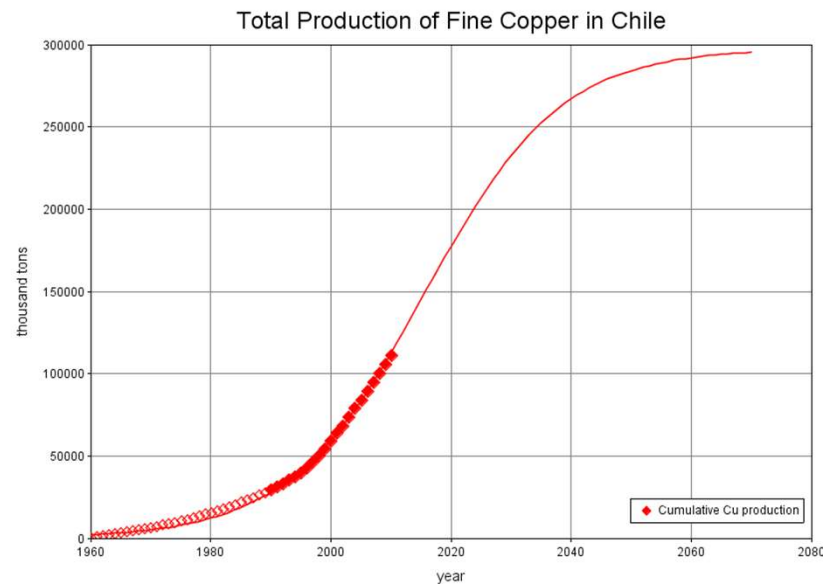
multiscreen view



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cumulative production of fine copper (99.99%) in Chile



Applied data series are for period 1991-2010.

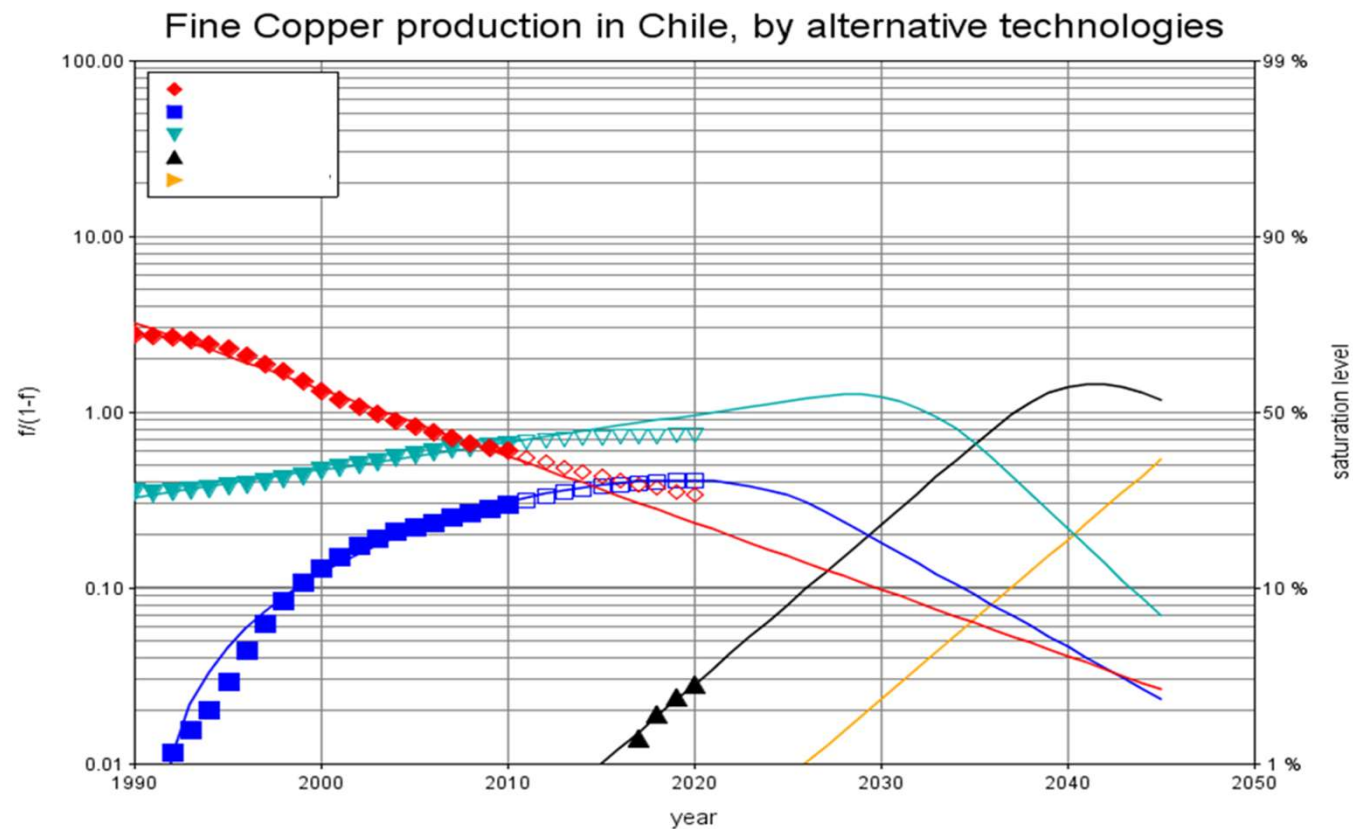
Estimated upper limit of growth (K) is about 297,750.4 kt;

midpoint of growth trajectory (t_m) is about 2015.6 year;

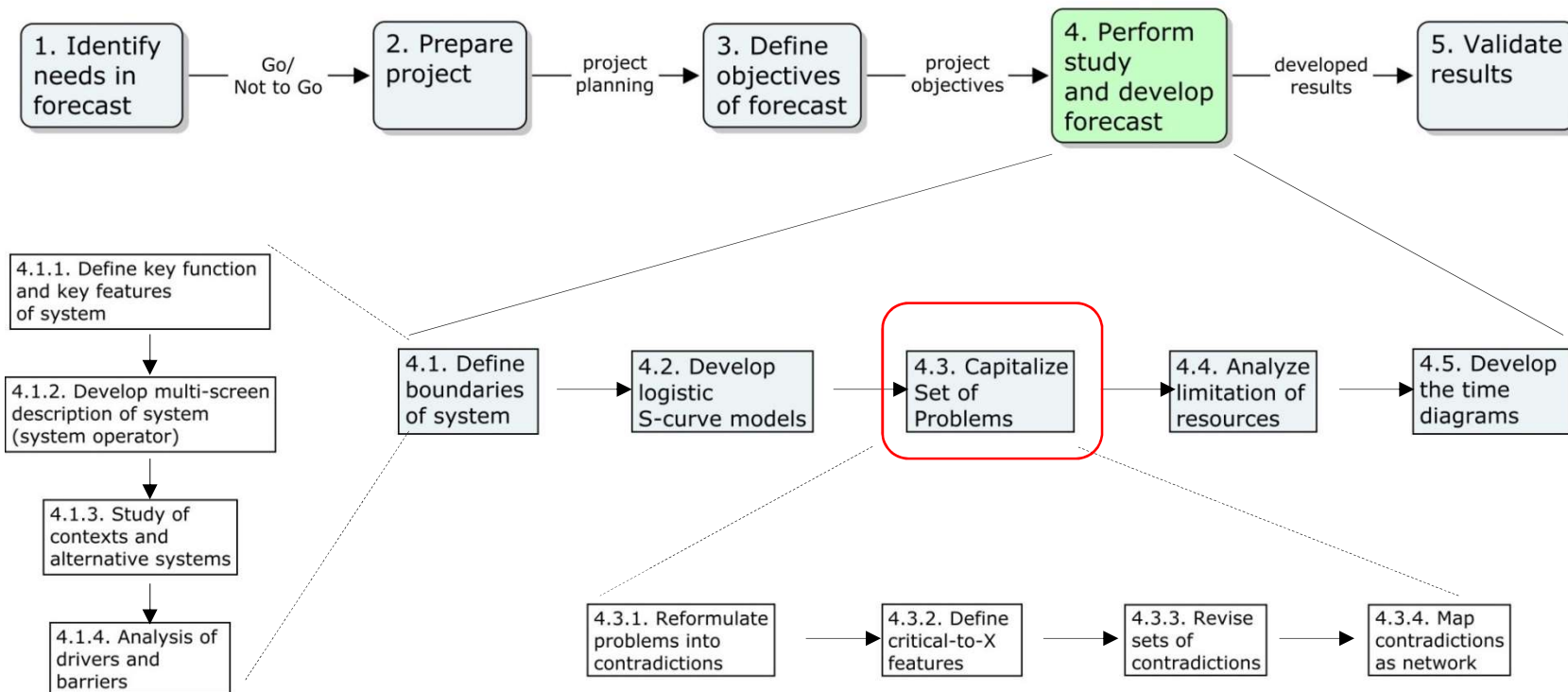
characteristic duration of growth (Δt) is about 49.5 years.

$R_{sq}=0.99$

what will be the lifecycle of size-reduction technology?



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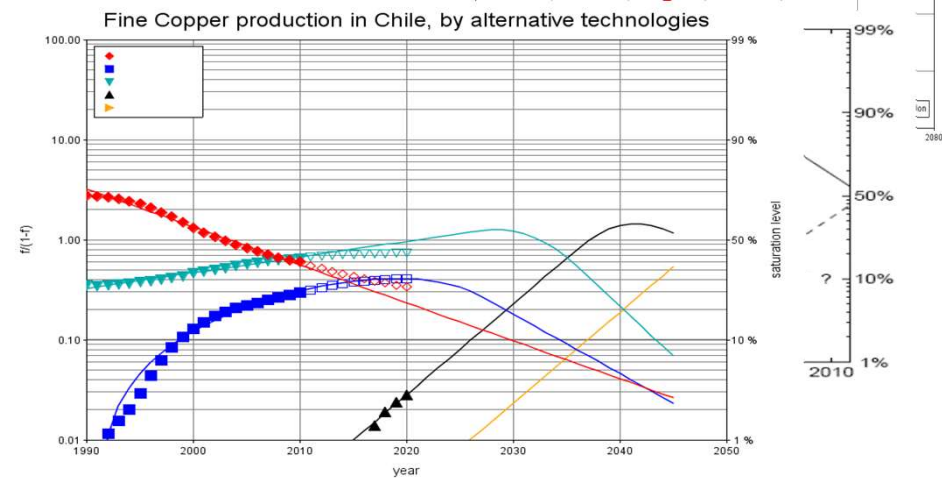
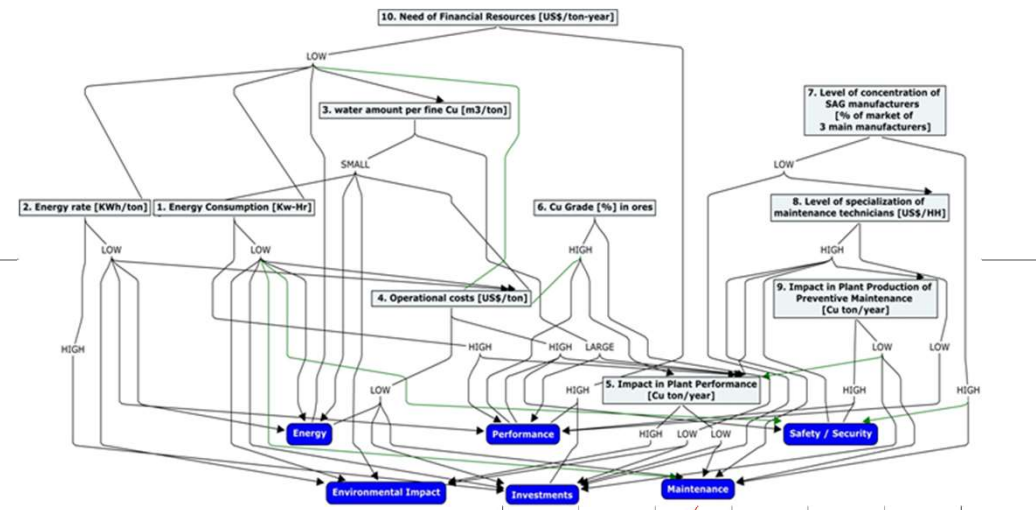
WHAT?

WHEN?

WHERE?

WHY?

HOW?



lists of problems

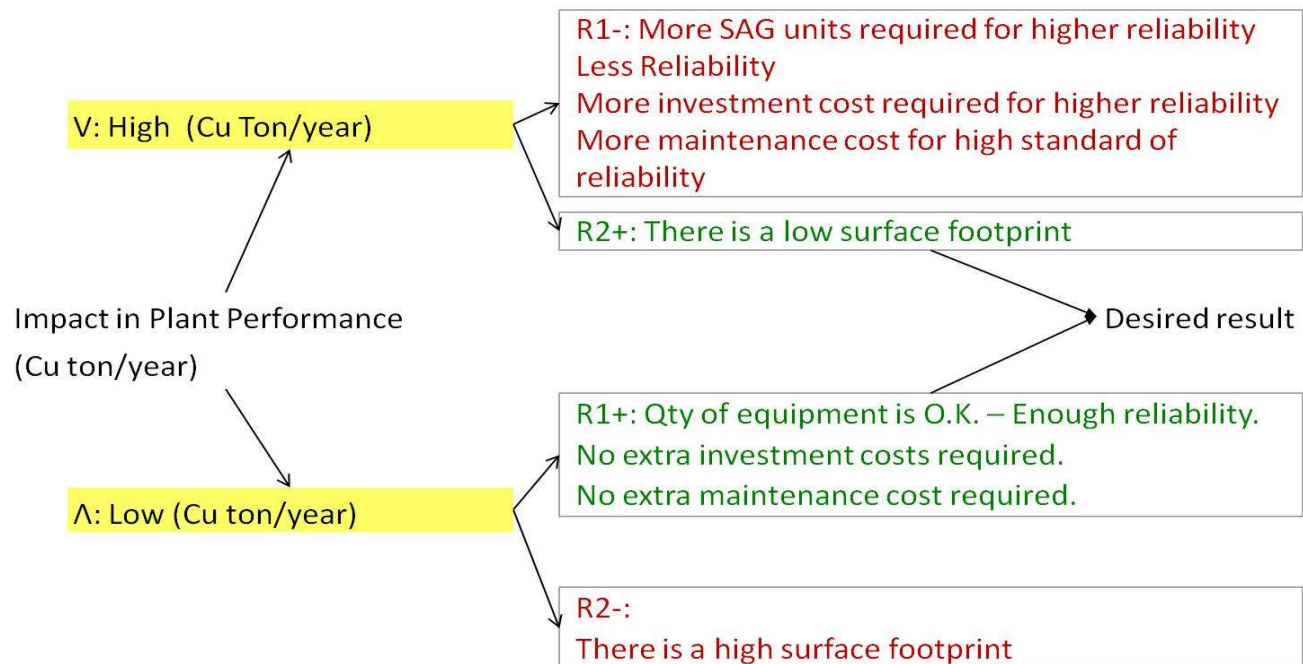
#	Conventional	SAG	HPGR	LEACHING
1	High energy consumption and number of equipment generates a high carbon footprint.	Highest energy consumption generates de highest carbon footprint.	No problem with water.	Not well controlled process.
2	Lack of energy efficiency because of high number of electric equipment with low efficiency electric motors and distribution systems.	Lowest energy efficiency because of high energy consumption of SAG mills.	No problem with financial resources .	Need of a large surface available.
3	There is a lot of water losses during the process.	There is a lot of water losses during the process.	Lack of experience in Copper application.	Low Copper recovery.
4	High number of equipment and interconnection systems makes very complex engineering facilities.	High operational costs because of complex control systems and maintenance costs for SAG mills.	No problem with maintenance costs	Poor safety conditions for operators.
5	Energy consumption and higher number of operators due to higher number of equipment and less automation control makes operational costs the highest of four technologies.	High impact in plant performance of availability and productivity of SAG mills.	Higher probabilities of failures in operation because of higher human intervention.	Not a good option for ores with high percentage of Cu.
6	Needs of a large operational period because of high investment costs for pay back.	Not a good option for ores with low percentage of Cu.	Reduced availability of specialized technicians in Chile for HPGR.	Restrictions of special temperature conditions for bacterial leaching.
7	Large footprint because of high number of equipment and large process net.	Concentrated industry of SAG mills manufacturers.	Concentrated industry of HPGR manufacturers.	Largest processing time.
8	Higher probabilities of failures in operation because of higher human intervention.	Highly specialized technicians for maintenance assistance.	Preventive maintenance of HPGR has a high impact in plant production.	
9	Higher maintenance costs because of high number and different kinds of equipment.	Preventive maintenance of SAG mills has a high impact in plant production.		
10		Need of the highest financial resources of the four technologies.		

an example of contradiction

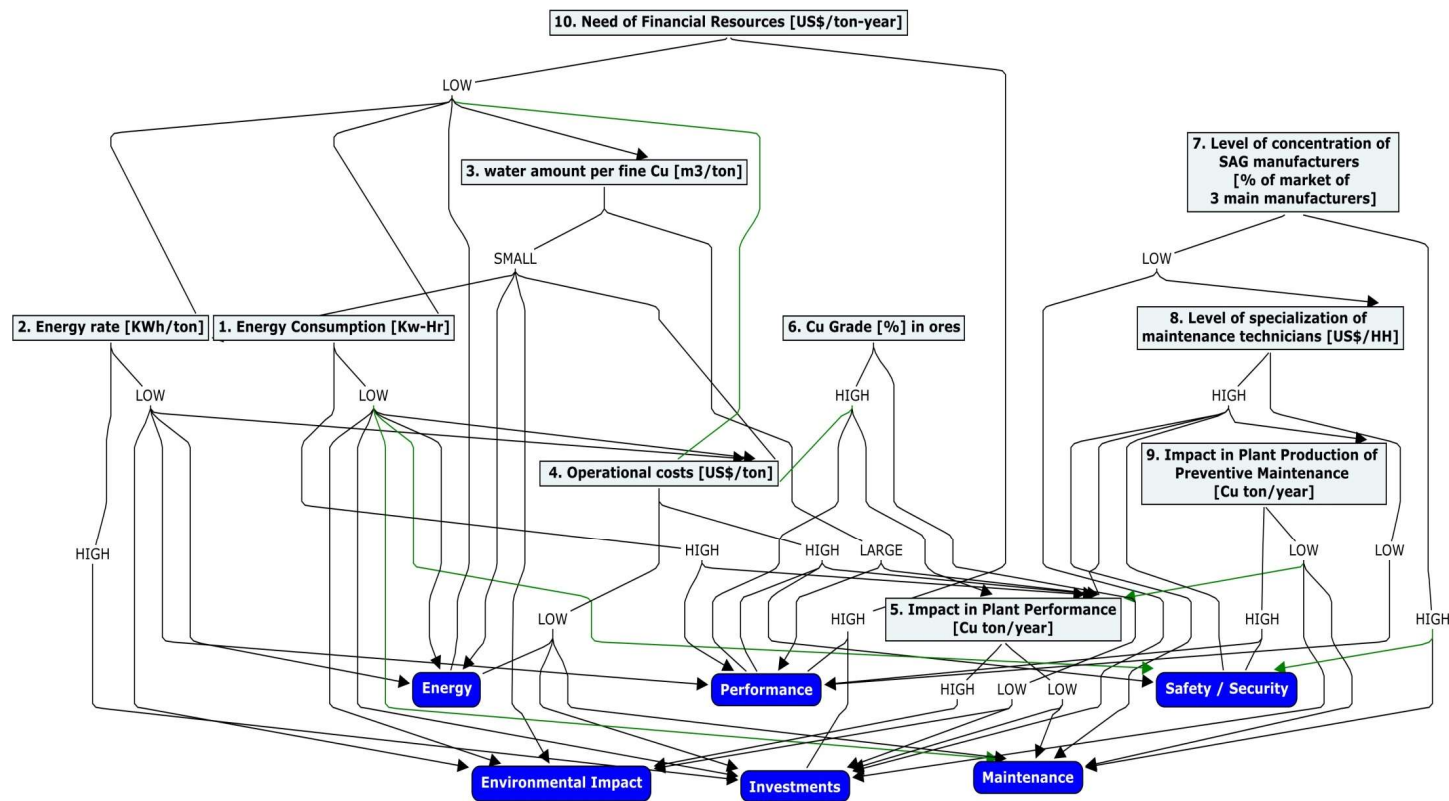
SAG

5. Contradiction for Plant Performance

High impact in plant performance of availability and productivity of SAG mills.



map of contradictions [SAG-technology]



what will be the neXt technology? (list of features)

FUNCTION : <EXPOSE> THE SURFACE OF MINERAL PARTICLES

features of future system

1. Operational Availability will be as high as actual values for HPGR;
2. Energy Consumption will be less (or equal) to 8kwh/ton feed (best of available today)
- 3.1 Water Consumption will be less than 0.01 m³/ton feed
- 3.2 Carbon Footprint will be less (or equal) to 2 TonCO₂/Ton Fine Cu
- 3.3 Surface Footprint will be lower (occupy less area) in m², i.e. less than actual values for SAG, or HPGR
4. Accident Rate will go beyond the actual value of HPGR, i.e. it will decrease
5. Investment Costs will be lower, i.e. similar to actual values for LEACHING (US\$/ton-year)
6. Maintenance Cost will be similar (or less) to actual values for LEACHING technology today (0,3 US\$/ton)

relevant changes in super-systems (system operator for Chile, in 35 years)

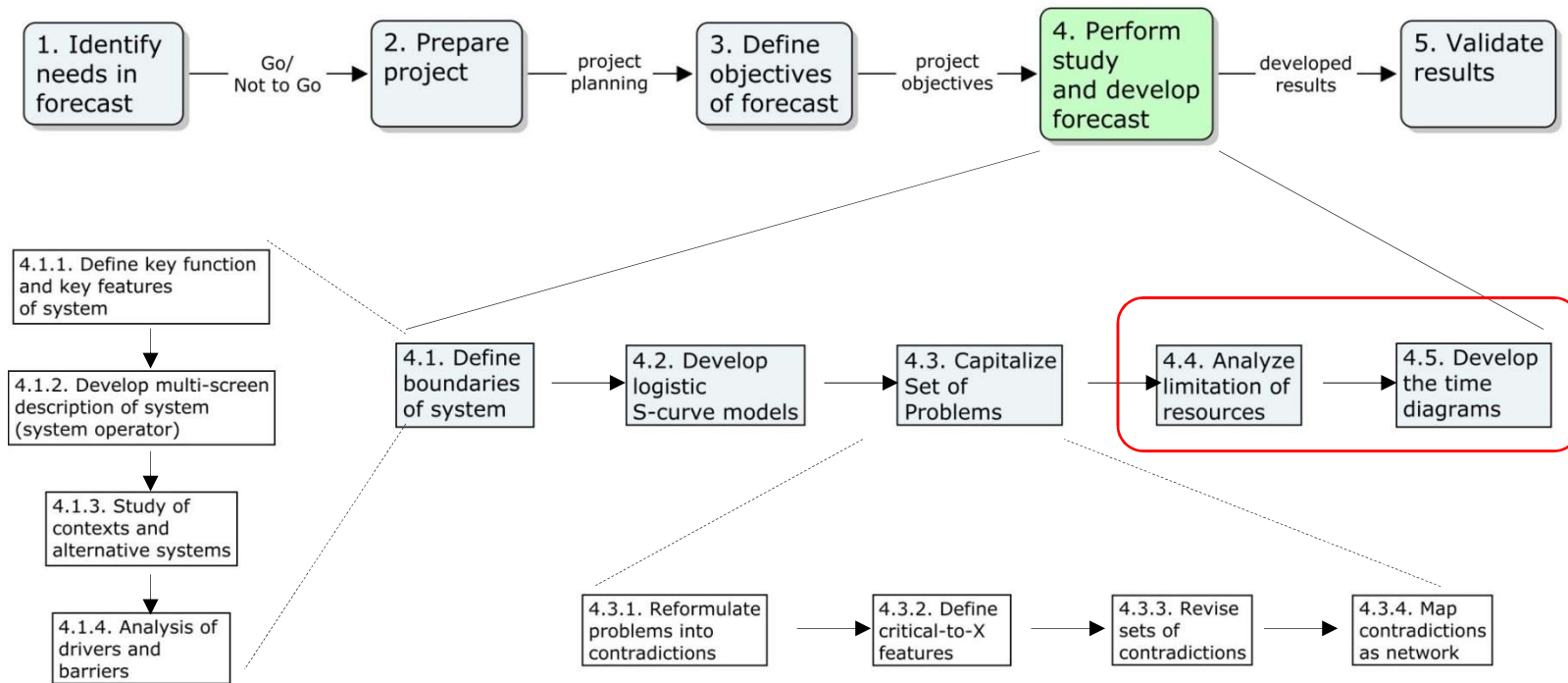
characteristics of future SUPER-SYSTEMS

1. Lower percentage of Cu in ores, near 0,4% (average)
2. Over 95% of Copper deposit will be primary ore, secondary enrichment and oxides will be almost extinguished
3. Greater volume of ore to process will make distances larger and time longer for transportation
4. More automation and remote control processes
5. Increase in operational costs if trading prices increases
6. Most of the Copper deposit will have a high hardness which will make the SAG Mill technology very inefficient

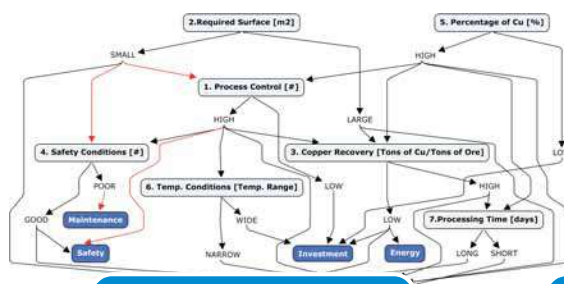
Family of neXt technologies:

What will be the conditions in the mining sites in future? Deepness of mining, % of Cu in ores, hardness of ores, size of mining sites (proven reserves)?

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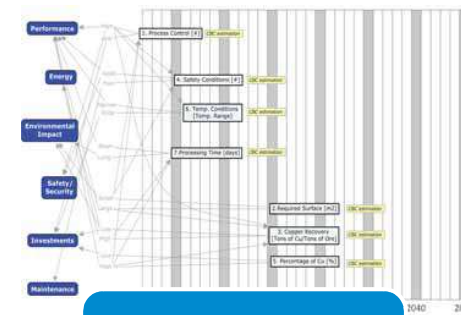
from maps of problems to roadmaps



Map of Contradictions

Analysis of Limiting Resources

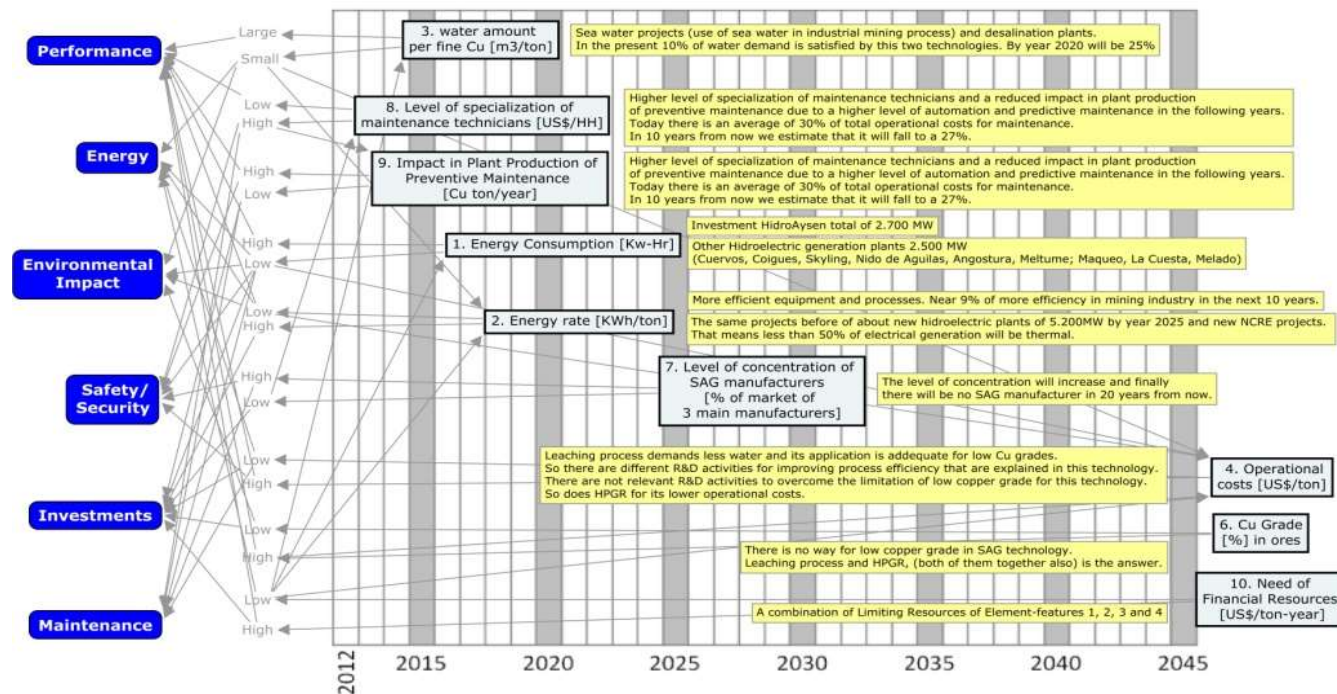
Roadmap of neXt Technology



element-feature	demand	cause	Limiting resources	R&D Activities (name of projects)	Exploration time	Implementation time	total time, months	Notes	Source
1. Process Control [#]	High	4. Safety Conditions [#]		The leaching process has a very poor process control in the leaching pile. There are projects in the implementation phase for controlling what happens in the surface of the pile, but the reality of the inside of the pile remains uncontrolled. There is an estimation that in 5 years from now there will be solution for a real improvement in process control.		60	60	Estimation from CBC	
1. Process Control [#]	low	Investment	1) Skilled workers and 2) Time						
1. Process Control [#]	High	6. Temp. Conditions [Temp. Range]							
1. Process Control [#]	High	Performance							
1. Process Control [#]	High	3. Copper Recovery [Tons of Cu/Tons of Ore]							
2. Required Surface [m2]	Large	3. Copper Recovery [Tons of Cu/Tons of Ore]							
2. Required Surface [m2]	Small	4. Safety Conditions [#]	Space (available surface with industrial aptitude)					Estimation from CBC	
2. Required Surface [m2]	Small	Investment							
2. Required Surface [m2]	Small	1. Process Control [#]							
2. Required Surface [m2]	Large	Performance		Bacteria genetic modification		120	120		
2. Required Surface [m2]	Small	Environmental Impact		Bacteria ecosystem modification		60	60		
				Concentrated ore leaching		240	240		

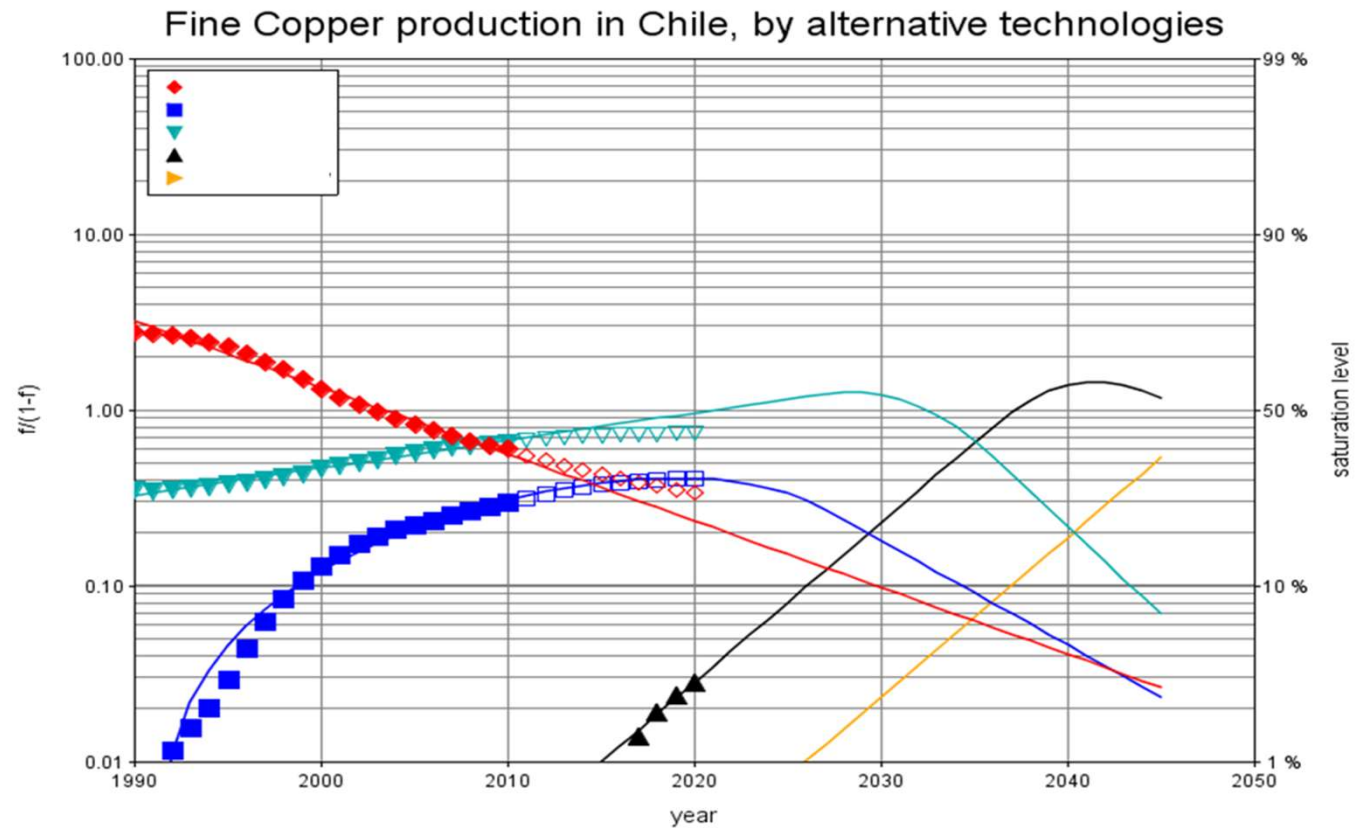
what is a path for implementation of new technologies?

ROADMAP FOR SAG TECHNOLOGY



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size-reduction technology substitution



*The ultimate test of the
forecaster is an accurate
and reliable forecast not
the elegant or easily
applied method*



Theodor Modis
Physicist, futurist, strategic analyst,
and international consultant

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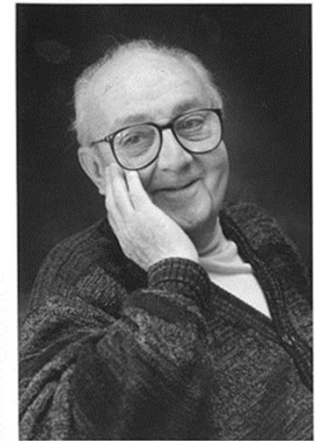
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*all models are wrong,
but some are useful*



George E. P. Box (1919–2013)

...statistician, who worked in the areas of quality control, time-series analysis, design of experiments, and Bayesian inference.

He has been called "one of the great statistical minds of the 20th century..."

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