

# Modelling Research- and Software-Development Teams

Looking for Motivation and Innovation

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# Motivation

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- ◉ Project Management
- ◉ Employer Branding
- ◉ Diversity
- ◉ Motivation
- ◉ Communication
- ◉ Innovation
- ◉ WALK – Research Team

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The Idea:

# Modelling a Team



# Placement in Research

# Conferences / Journals

- SIG MIS  
Special Interest Group of the ACM on  
Management Information Systems
- SIG CPR  
Computers and People Research
- ITiCSE  
Innovation and Technology in Computer Science  
Education
- International Journal of Human Resource Management
- Academy of Management Review
- Journal of Management
  
- Until now, not yet considered in detail:
  - Journal of Organizational Behavior
  - International Journal of Cross-Cultural Management



# Current Research Issues



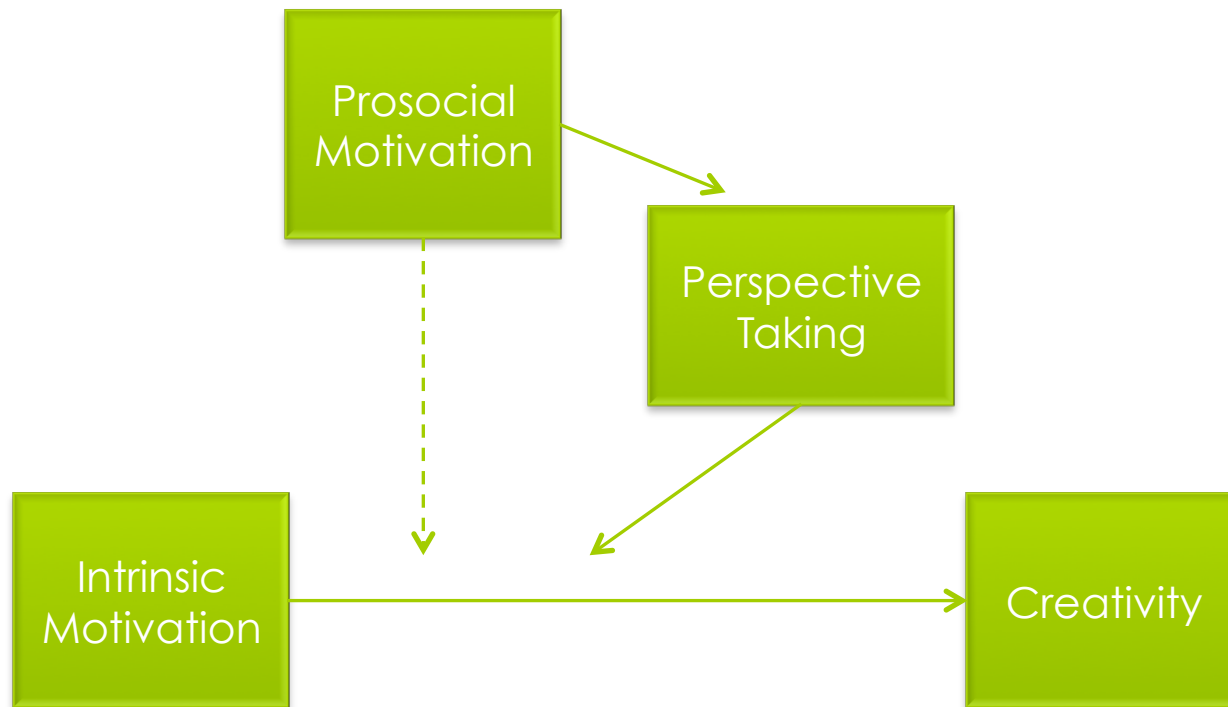
# Staffing/Workforce Planning

Assigning available resources with the appropriate skills to tasks. Sticking to short- and long term strategies.

- Staffing a Software Project :  
a Constraint Satisfaction Approach  
(Barreto and Werner 2005)
- Simulation-based workforce assignment in a  
multi-organizational social network  
(multi objective optimization)  
(Celik et al. 2011)
- IT Workforce Planning  
(Adya and Niederman 2011)

# Psychological Aspects (1/5)

THE NECESSITY OF OTHERS IS THE MOTHER OF INVENTION (Grant, Berry, and Carolina 2011)



# Psychological Aspects (2/5)

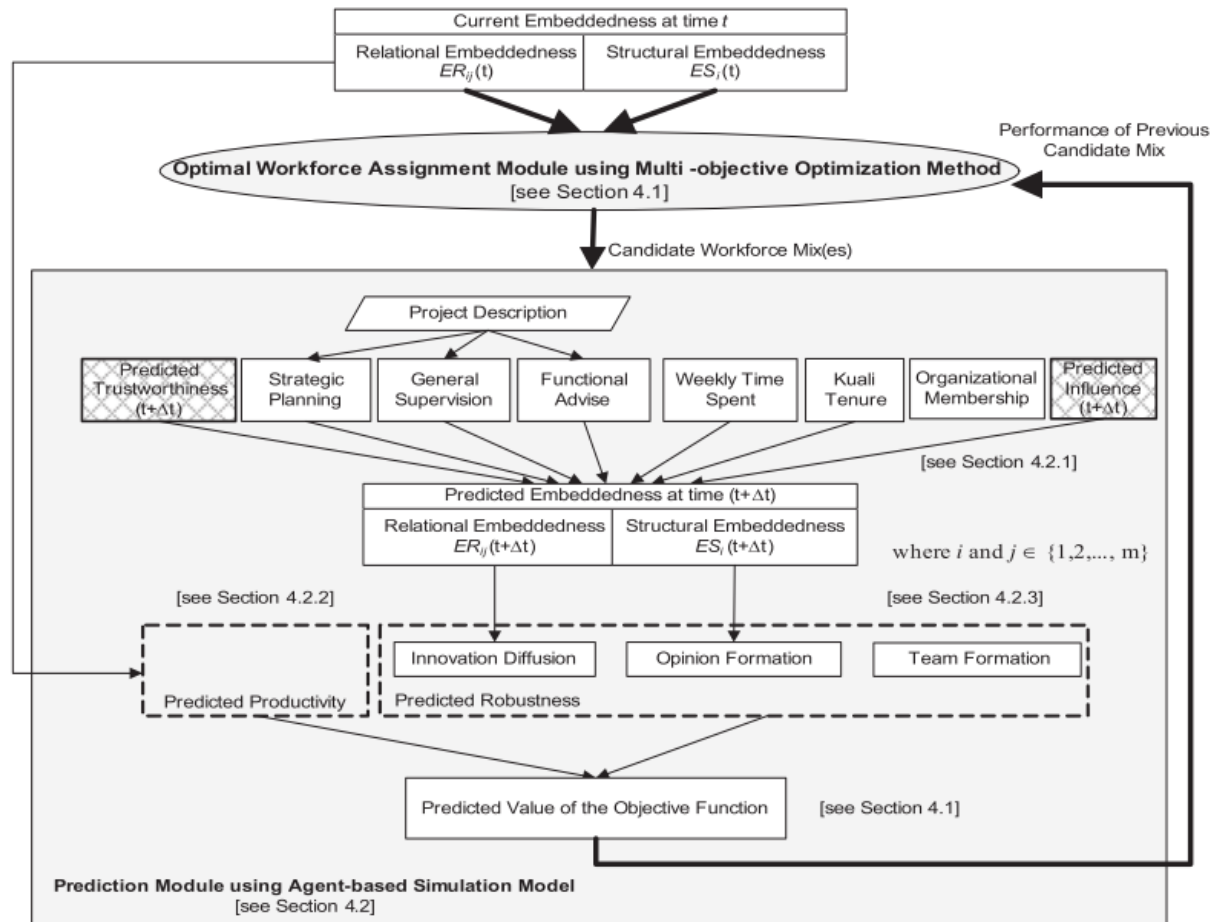


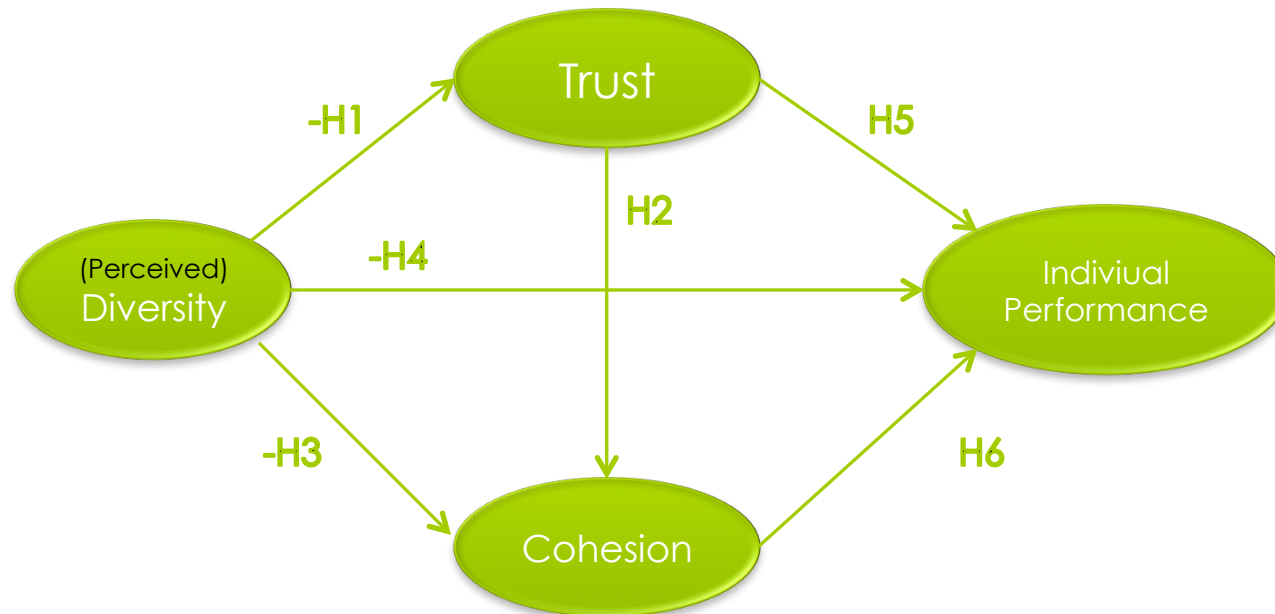
Fig. 3. Simulation-based optimal workforce assignment considering network embeddedness.

(Celik et al. 2011)

# Psychological Aspects (3/5)

Globally Distributed Teams: The Effect of Diversity on Trust, Cohesion and Individual Performance

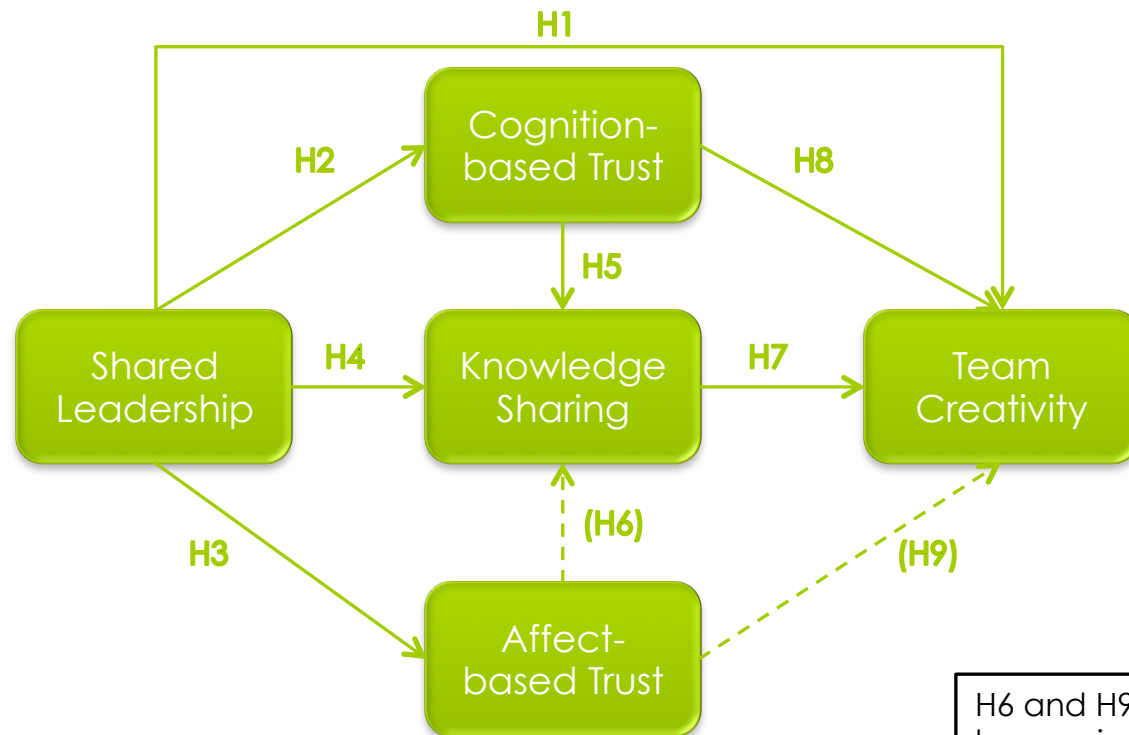
(Garrison et al. 2010)



# Psychological Aspects (4/5)

Effects of shared leadership on team creativity through knowledge

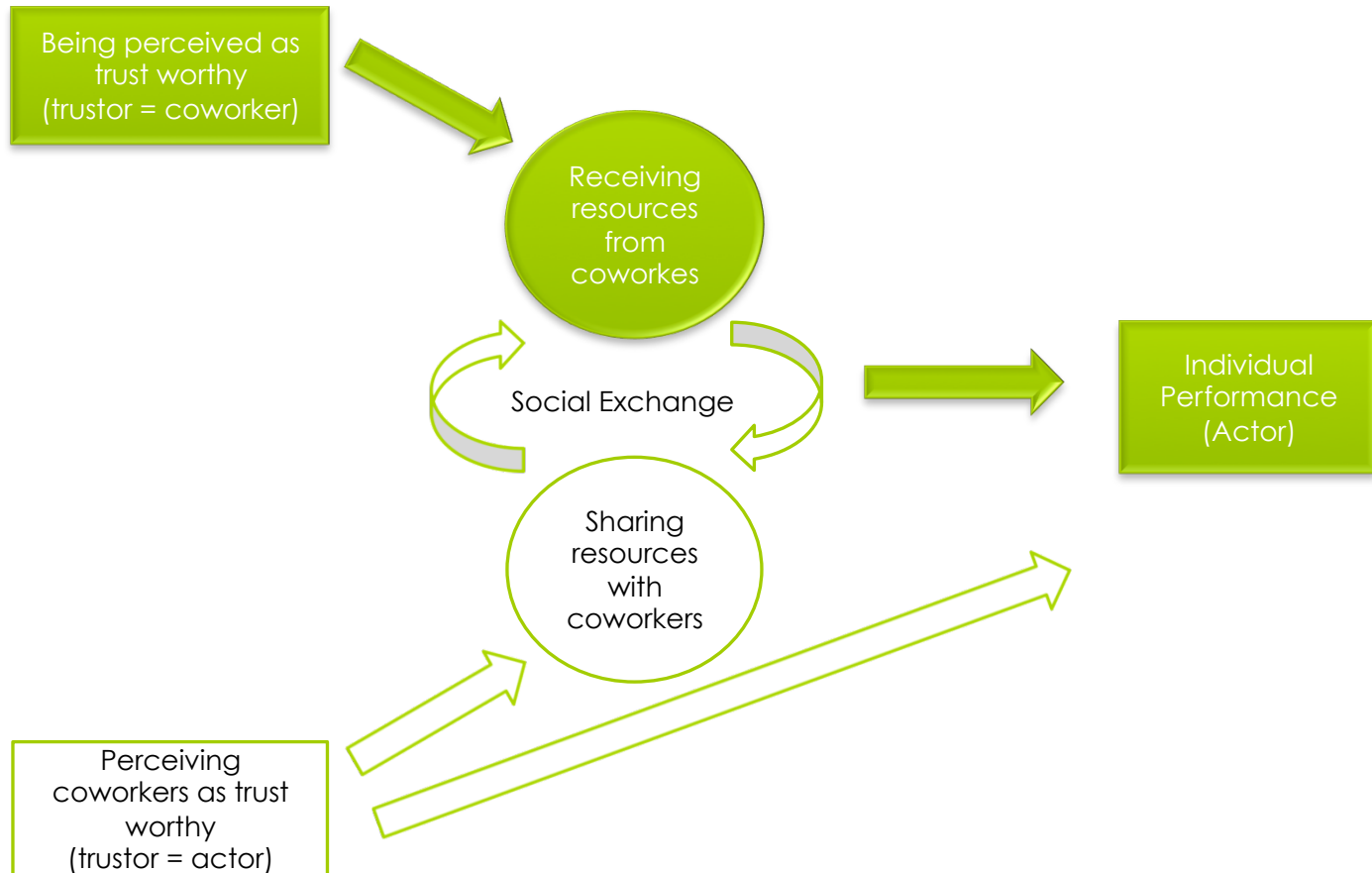
(Kun Chang Lee, Dae Sung Lee, and Seo 2011)



H6 and H9 have been rejected

# Psychological Aspects (5/5)

## The Relationship Between Being Perceived as Trustworthy by Coworkers and Individual Performance



The shaded parts of diagram represent the focus of this research; the unshaded part represent previous studies

Dirks, K. T., & Skarlicki, D. P. (2007).

# Other Issues

- Making Things Happen:  
A Model of Proactive Motivation  
(Parker, Bindl, and Strauss 2010)
- Measuring Organizational Performance  
(Richard et al. 2009)
- Network Theory of Organization:  
A Multilevel Approach  
(Moliterno and Mahony 2010)



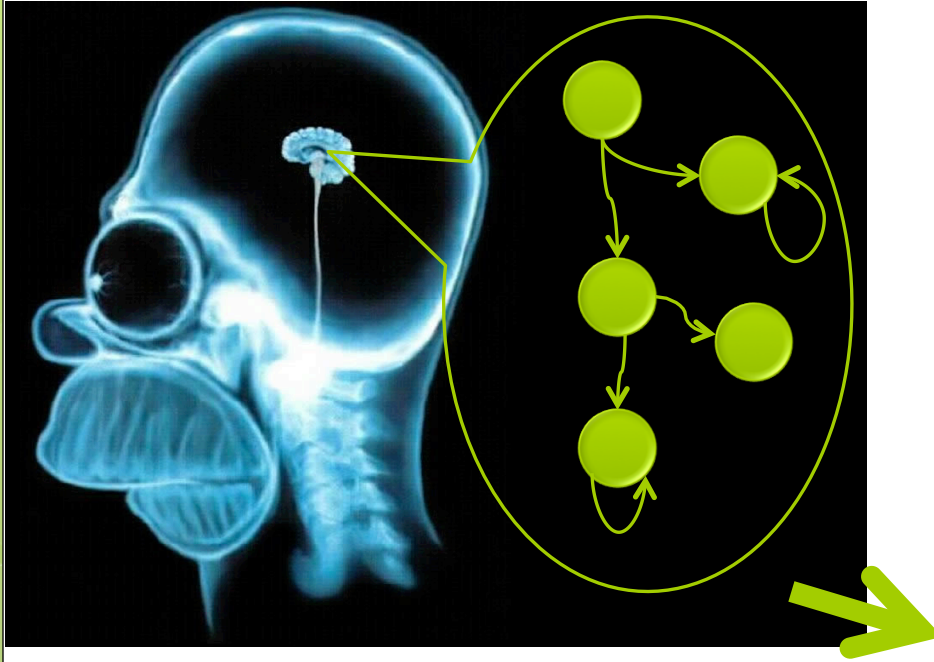
# My Master Topic



# Modelling Research- and Software-Development Teams

- What strives people?
- What motivates them?
- What makes them innovative?
- What can companies and managers do to make their employees innovative?

# Multi Agent System





Setup

# The Setup

- ◉ WALK
  - ◉ Access to the walk team to perform research
- ◉ Cielarko – South Africa
  - ◉ General support
  - ◉ Access to development teams
  - ◉ Formulating interesting questions on the model
- ◉ Microsoft Deutschland GmbH (Consulting Services)
  - ◉ Access to consulting teams
  - ◉ Formulating interesting questions on the model



Setup

# Dependencies

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- ◉ WALK
  - ◉ Emotional/Intelligent Agents
  - ◉ Agent Steering DSL
  - ◉ Event Processing
  - ◉ Visualization of Group Information
- ◉ Access to teams to get enough empirical data

Setup  
Risks



# Risks

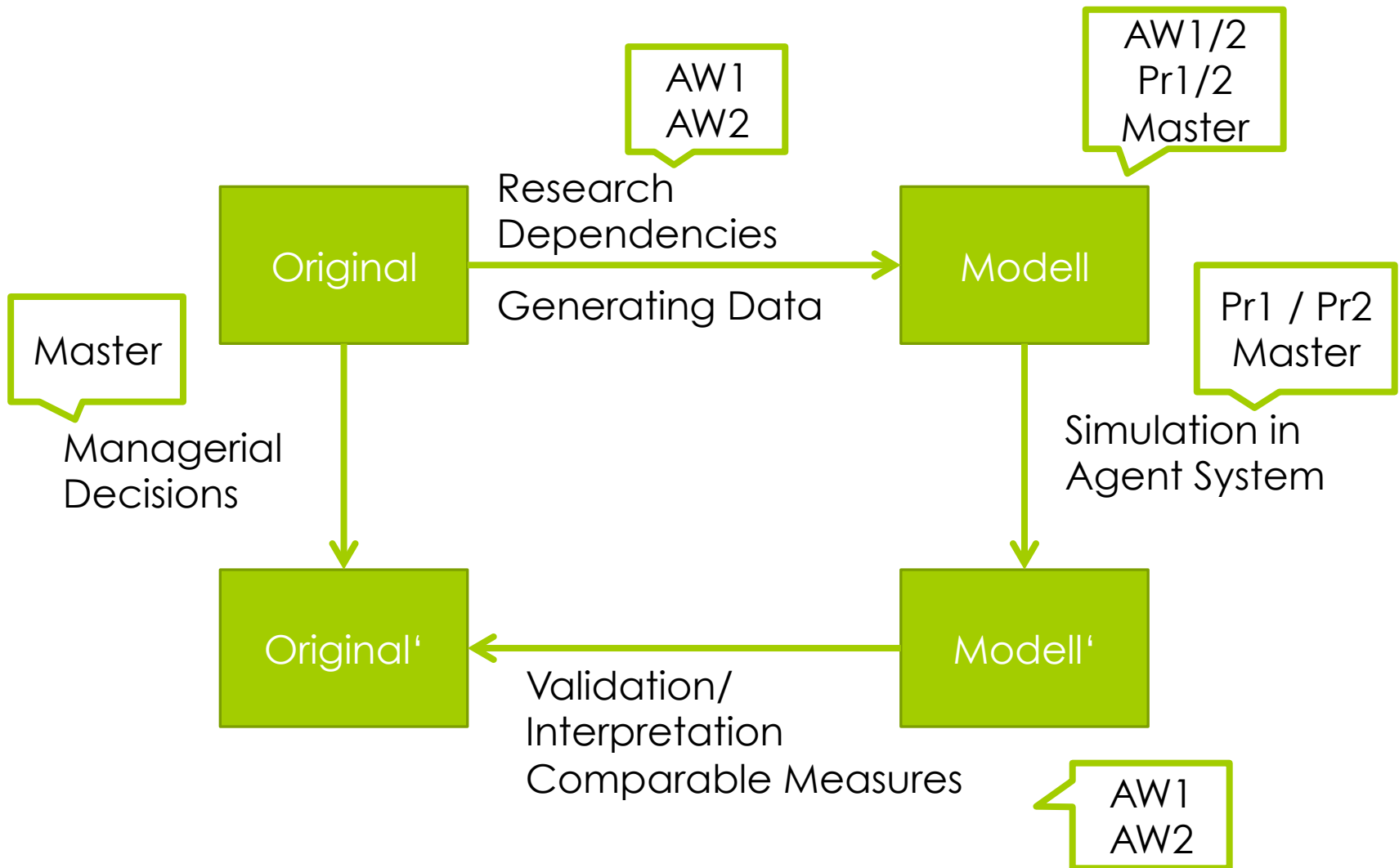
- ◉ Access to teams
- ◉ Focus of the model is too large or too small for the master thesis
- ◉ Difficulties to formulate clear managerial decisions



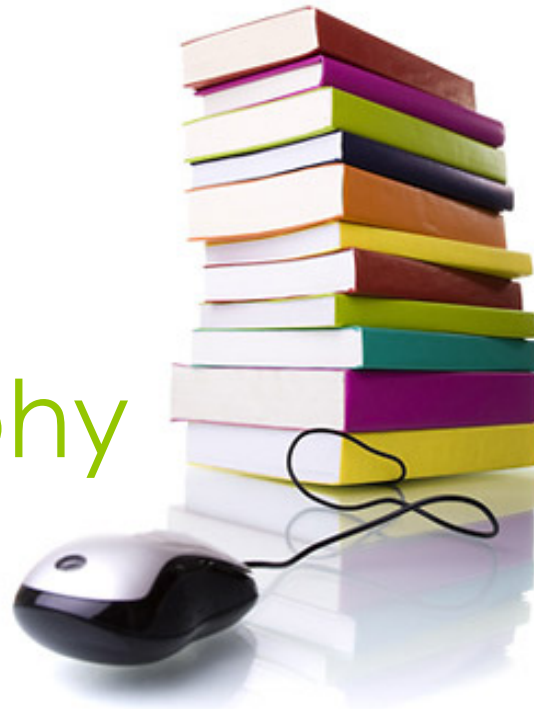


# Road Map

# Master Road Map



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