REVIEW OF PAST RESEARCH AND REFLECTIONS ON DIGITAL THREAD/TWIN AFFORDABILITY IN (SEMICONDUCTOR) SUPPLY CHAIN AND MANUFACTURING

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ABSTRACT

This presentation will review past research projects on improving operations of manufacturing and supply chain systems with the goal of highlighting future research challenges. Several of these projects were in semiconductor manufacturing and supply chains. These past research projects were funded nationally, by the EU and industry. It will document several research challenges on topics of Model Based Systems Engineering (MBSE), optimization using online machine learning metamodels, simulation analysis of Advanced Planning System Analysis (APS), and supplier selection. Finally, the presentation will reflect on the role of Digital Thread/Twin and the feasibility of this approach with the current availability of methodologies, computing, and human resources.

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