

# SOFTWARE :

COMMENTS ON

RESEARCH, MARKET, DEVELOPMENT  
& AVAILABILITY

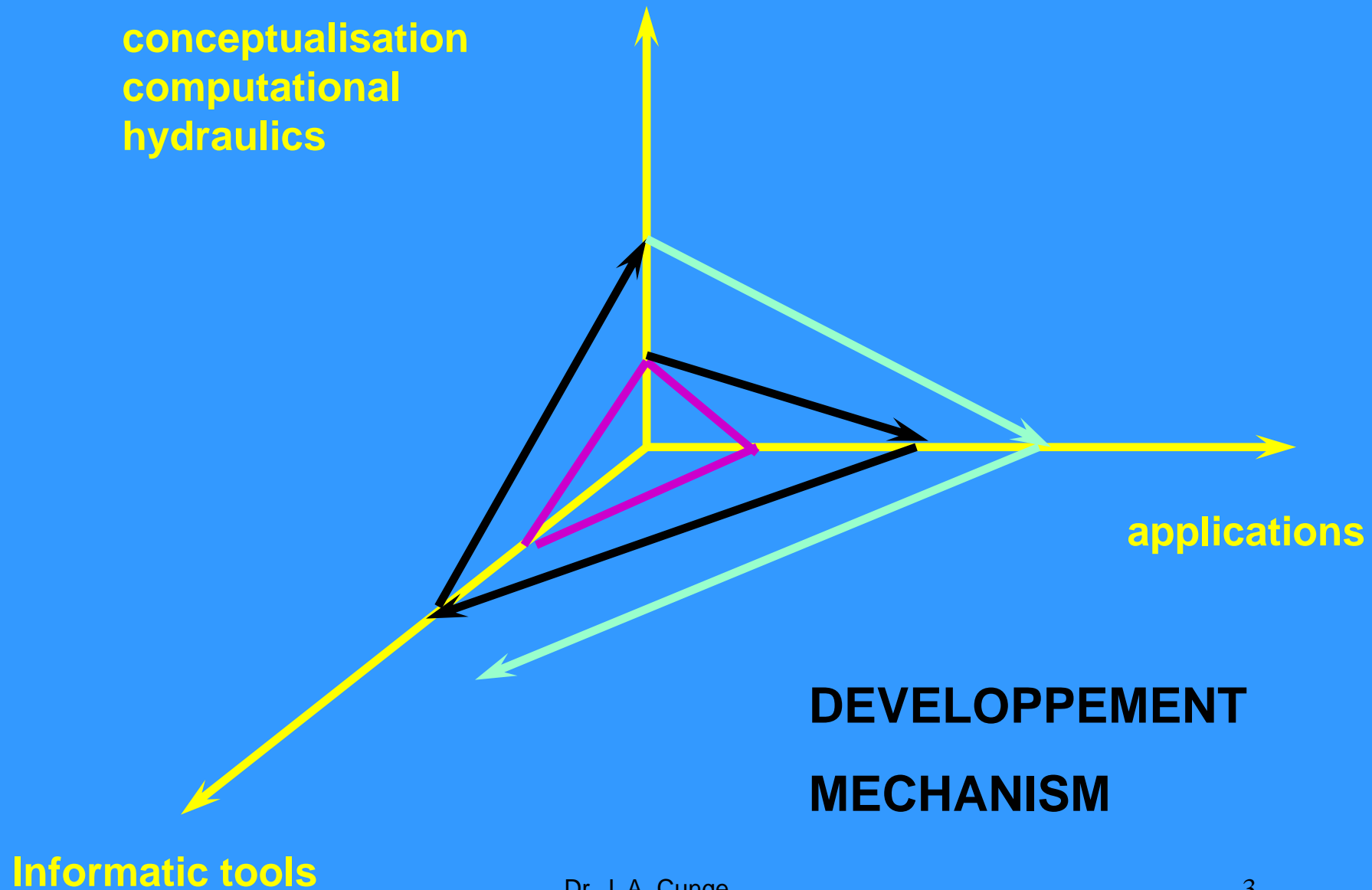
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT:

**EVOLUTION BY INTERACTION BETWEEN**

**CONCEPTUALISATION, FORMULATION,  
NUMERICAL ALGORITHMS**

**AND**

**TOOLS (hardware & software )**



## MARKET AND APPLICATIONS

### INTERACTION BETWEEN:

- DEMAND
- STATE OF KNOWLEDGE
- AVAILABILITY OF THE TOOLS

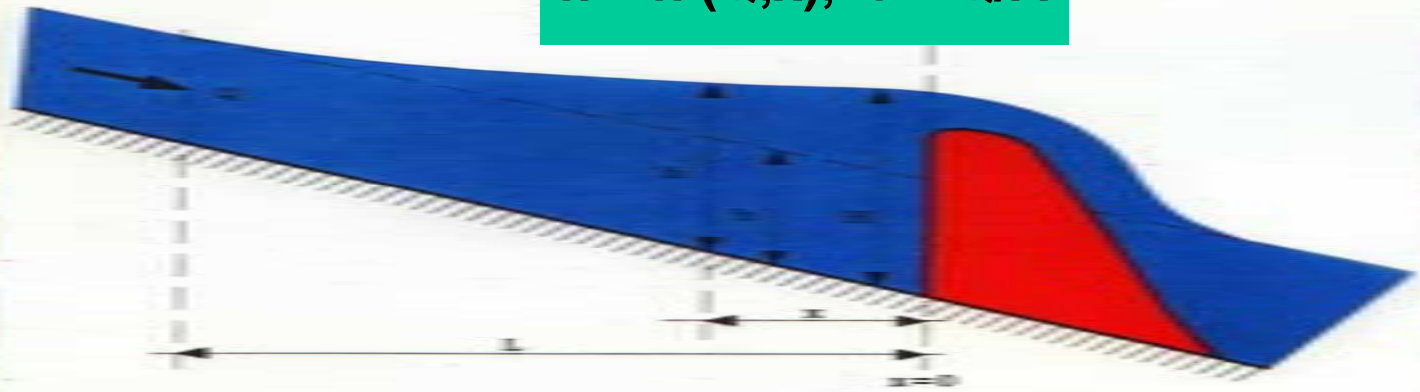
TWO KINDS OF EVOLUTION, TWO KINDS OF DEMAND:

- TECHNICAL, INTEGRATING NEW KNOWLEDGE
- COMMERCIAL/ EVREDAY ENGINEERING

EVOLUTION OF THE TECHNICAL DEMAND -  
EXAMPLE OF RESERVOIR STUDIES

## Reservoir hydraulics problem until 1960

$$h = h(Q, x), \quad v = Q/A$$



Schoklitsch, Rühlmann, Tolkmitt:



or



Bresse:



$$\frac{dh}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{v^2}{2g} \right) + S_0 + s_b$$

## **EVOLUTION OF THE TECHNICAL DEMAND :**

### **STRONG DEMAND :**

- 1960** - steady state flow 1D backwater
- 1970** - 1D wave propagation following turbines and gates manoeuvres
- 1980** - unsteady 2D vertical, variable density (heat, sediments, salinity)

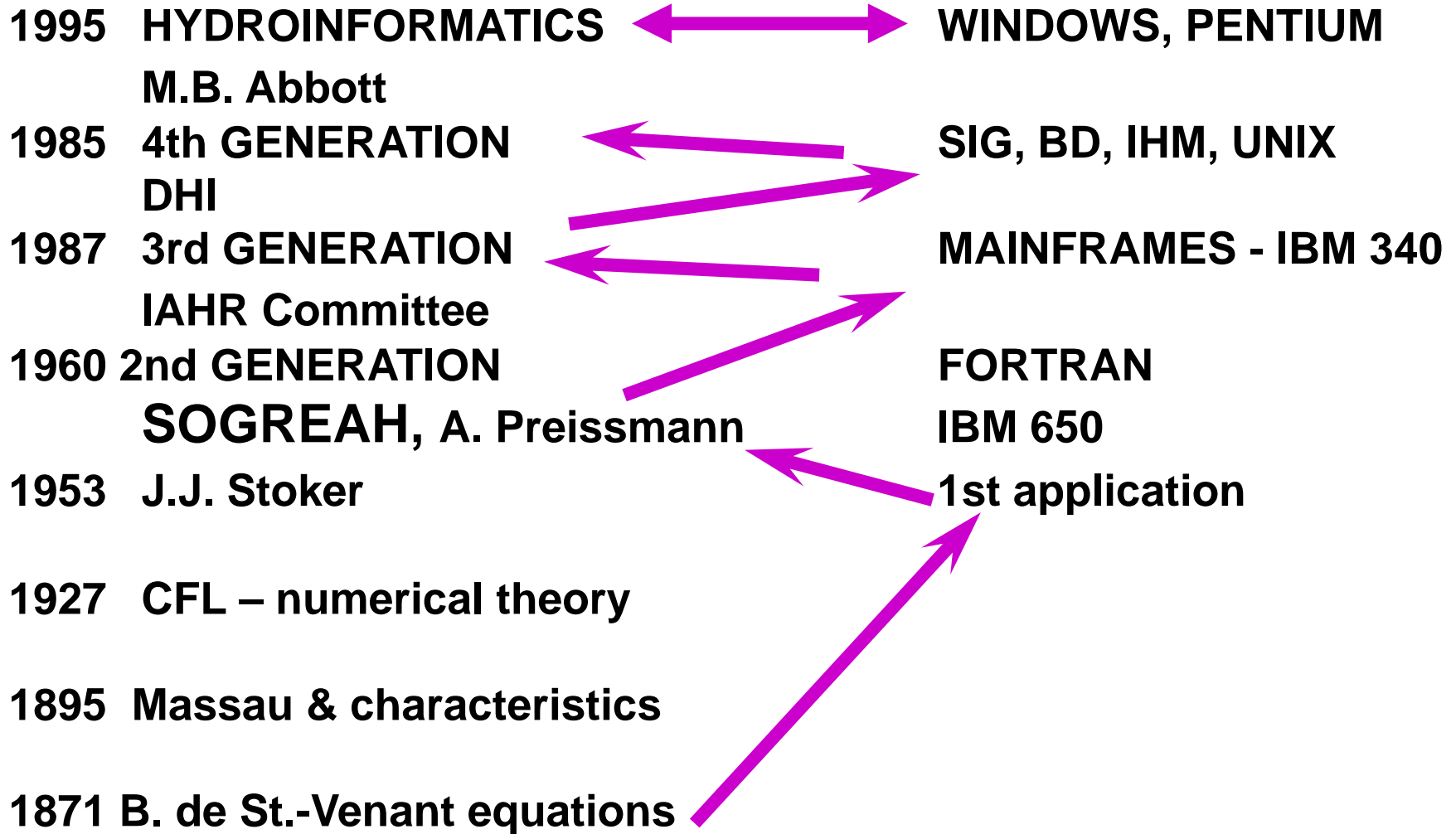
### **WEAK DEMAND :**

- 1997** - unsteady 3D, variable density, water quality, ecosystems

- **30 YEARS OF STRONG TECHNICAL DEMAND**  
**DUE TO NEEDS OF ENGINEERING WORKS**
- **THEN « soft » TECHNICAL DEMAND:**  
**SOCIAL COST AND WATER QUALITY**  
**DID NOT FIND THEIR EXPRESSION IN**  
**BUDGET TERMS IN DECISION MAKING**  
**AND MANAGEMENT**
- **BUT explosive COMMERCIAL DEMAND**

conceptualisation

informatics tools



## AND SINCE 1995?

- **Conceptualisation** – NOTHING REALLY NEW
- **Algorithms** - INDIVIDUAL RESULTS  
(Guinot, Kutija,...)  
NOT INTEGRATED IN COMMERCIAL CODES
- **Massive applications** :
  - engineering studies
  - encapsulation (management & forecasting systems)

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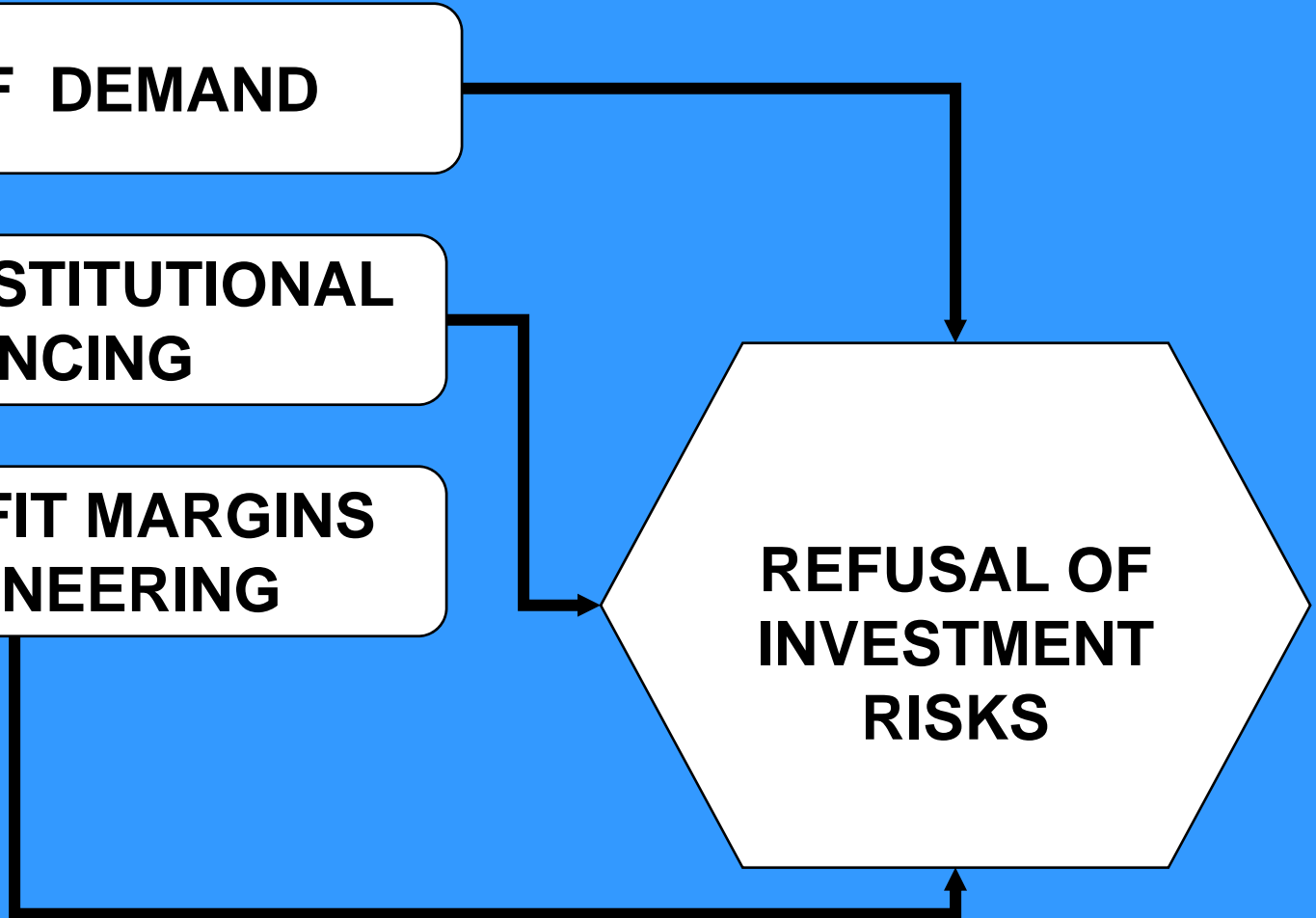
**WHY ?**

**LACK OF DEMAND**

**LACK OF INSTITUTIONAL  
FINANCING**

**WEAK PROFIT MARGINS  
OF ENGINEERING**

**REFUSAL OF  
INVESTMENT  
RISKS**



## BUT WHY THIS LACK OF TECHNICAL DEMAND ?

### REASONS ARE MOSTLY SUBJECTIVE:

- Engineering education that does not show benefits of better simulation of phenomena,
- Cultural approach of “play station” generation of engineers who believe in what they see on the screen,
- Marketing “pushing” for uncritical use of existing tools rather than indicate honestly their limitations.

This comes from both , software sellers and consultants.

## **AND STILL:**

### **Inadequate or inexistent conceptualisation for**

- **SEDIMENTATION, GEOMORPHOLOGY**
- **MORPHODYNAMICS (RIVERS, ESTUARIES)**
- **ECOHYDRAULICS, AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS**
- **3-D : TURBULENCE, BOUNDARY CONDITIONS**

### **Deficient or unreliable algorithms**

- **3-D (between tinkering and mystification)**

## **PERSPECTIVES ?**

### **WHERE THE DEMAND CAN COME ?**

- **« EDUCATION » OF USERS (UNDERSTAND THAT SOPHISTICATION BRINGS IN TERMS OF FINANCIAL BENEFITS)**
- **POLITICAL PRESSURES (CAUSED BY MODIFICATION OF THE ENVIRONMENT, CLIMAT AND LEADING TO NEW REGLAMENTATION)**
- **INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION (INDUCED BY FINANCING AGENCIES – WORLD BANK? UNDP? Not any more!)**

## MODELLING CODES – CURRENT SITUATION

- **INDUSTRIAL DIVISION OF WORK -  
DEVELOPERS/USERS**
- **AVAILABILITY OF INDUSTRIAL CODES ON THE  
MARKET**

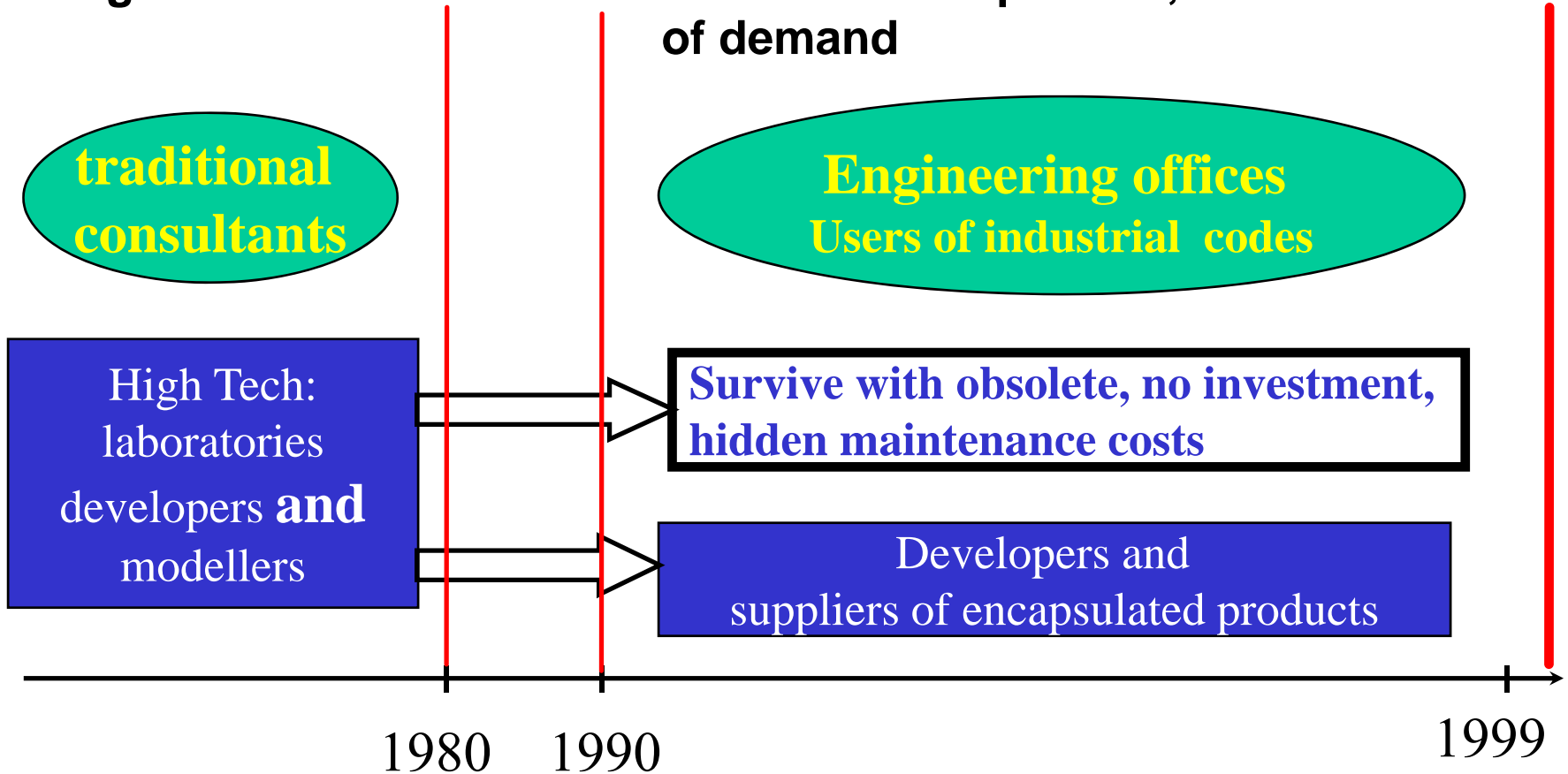
### **TWO ILLUSIONS :**

- « **EVERYTHING** can be found free on the **WEB** »
- « **We can develop this ourselves or nearby  
university can do it** » **!!!**

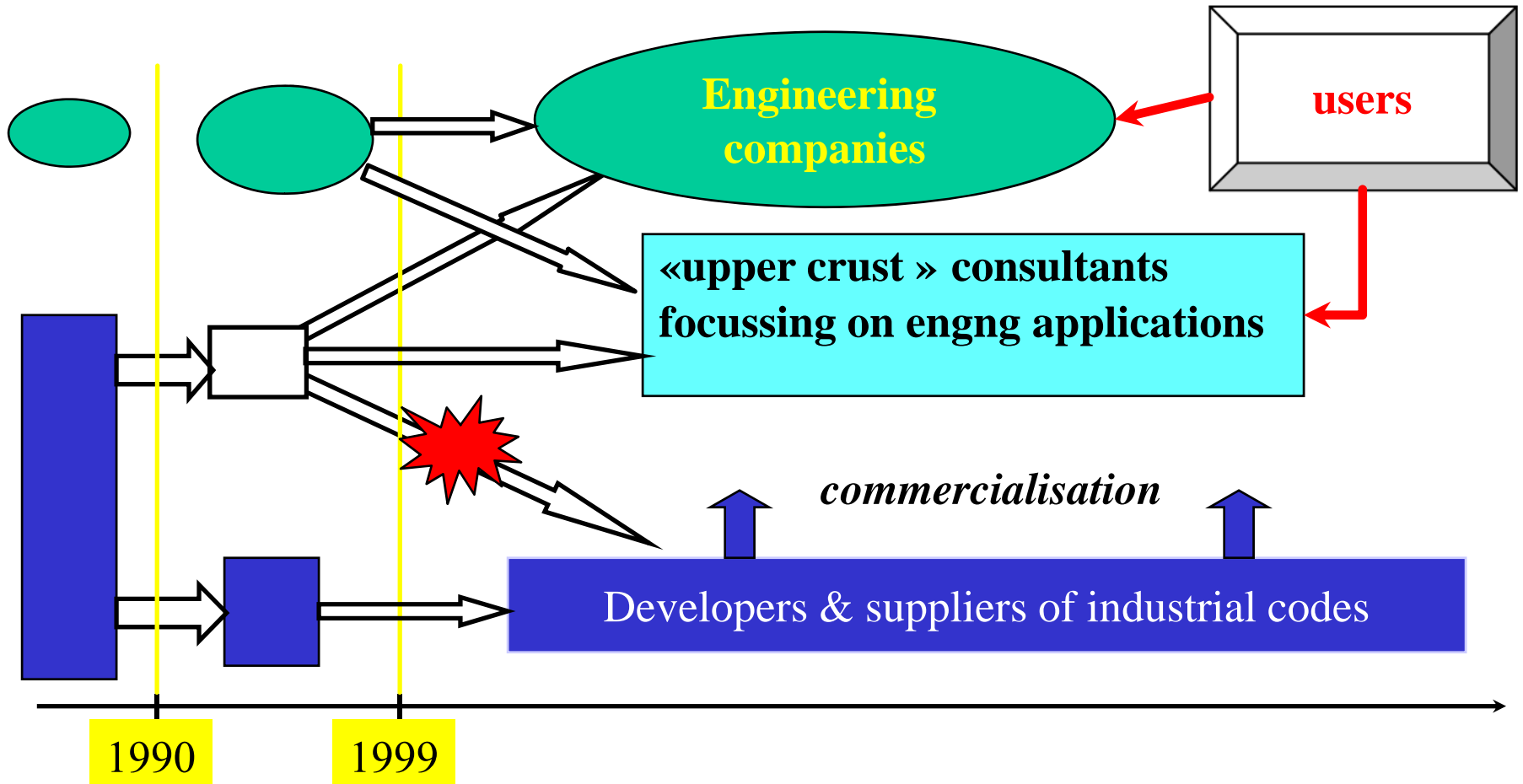
- **RESULTS OF HISTORICAL EVOLUTION 1980 - 1990 In Europe:**
  - Emergence of suppliers of industrial-quality codes
  - Impossibility to catch up with the latter (prohibitive costs)
  - Two types of users
    - \* those who have real expertise
    - \* «slaves» of 2 or 3 codes, limited to standard applications

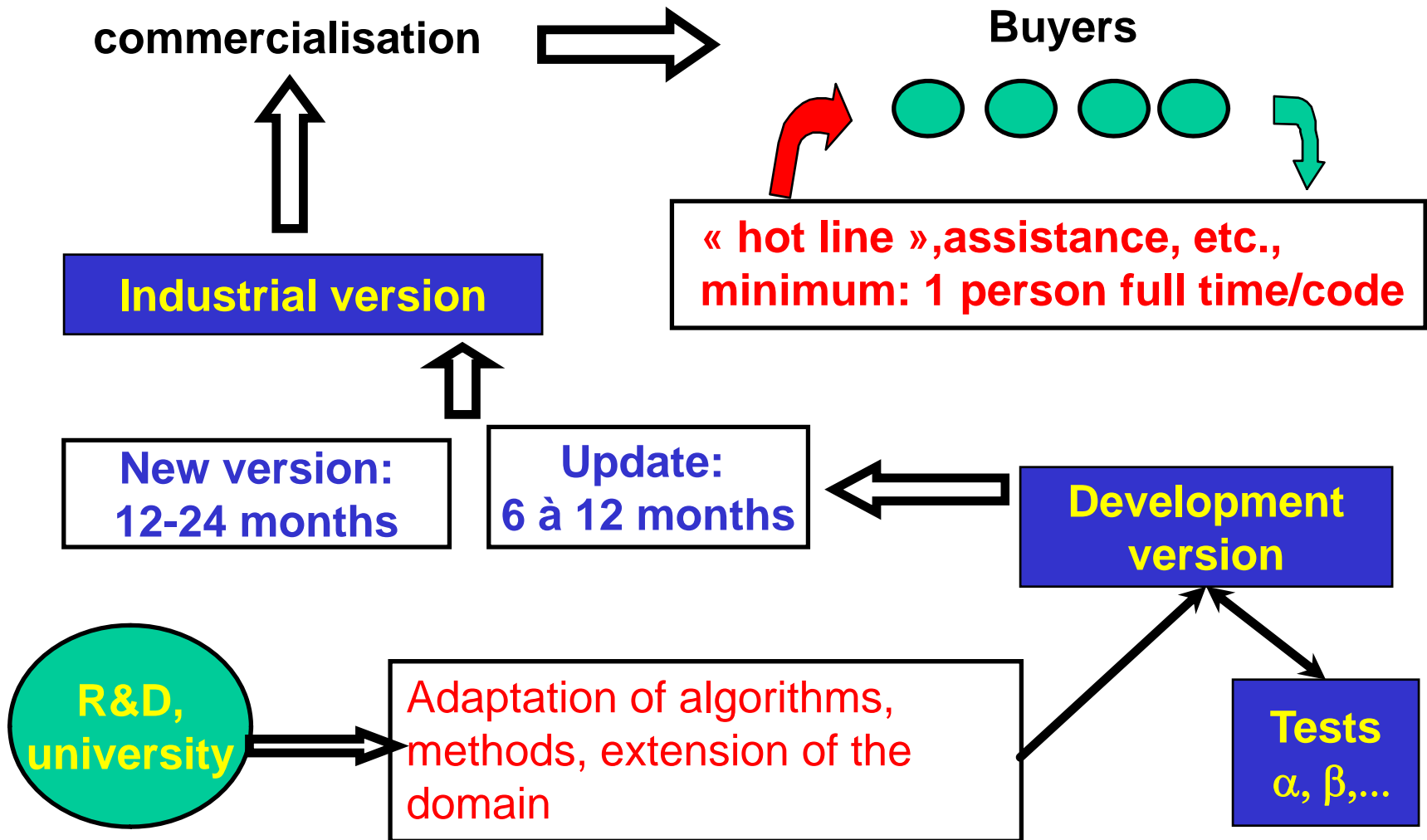
**Golden age: high margins,  
Strong demand**

**Industrial age : weak margins,  
Ferocious competition, new kind  
of demand**



## Evolution







**MOST OFTEN APPLIED MARKET AVAILABLE  
CODES:**

*RIVERS AND INUNDABLE PLAINS*

*ONE DIMENSIONAL PROBLEMS (1-D)*



- **MIKE 11**

Owner: DHI (Denmark)

Developer: DHI (Denmark)

Processing of rivers and canals :

de Saint-Venant equations

multiconnected networks, structures

Processing of inundated plains:

Considered as a network of channels ,  
flow simulated with de Saint-Venant  
equations

Algorithm: Abbott - Ionescu (DHI)



- **SOBEK**

Owner: Delft Hydraulics (NL)

Développeur: Delft Hydraulics (NL)

Processing of rivers and canals:

de Saint-Venant equations

multiconnected networks, structures

Processing of inundated plains:

Quasi 2-D (network of cells)

Algorithme: Preissmann (SOGREAH)

- **ISIS**

Owner:                      **Wallingford Research (UK)**

Developer:                **Wallingford Research (UK)**

Processing of rivers and canals:

**de Saint-Venant equations**

**multiconnected networks, structures**

Processing of inundated plains:

**Quasi 2-D (network of cells)**

Algorithm:    **Preissmann (SOGREAH)**



- **CARIMA**

Owner: **SOGREAH (France)**

Developer: **SOGREAH (France)**

Processing of rivers and canals:

**de Saint-Venant equations**

**multiconnected networks, structures**

Processing of inundated plains:

**Quasi 2-D (network of cells)**

Algorithm: **Preissmann (SOGREAH)**



**MOST OFTEN APPLIED MARKET AVAILABLE  
CODES:**

*RIVERS AND INUNDABLE PLAINS , COASTAL  
AREAS*

*TWO DIMENSIONAL PROBLEMS (2-D)*



- **MIKE 21**

Owner : DHI (Denmark)

Developer: DHI (Denmark)

Flow conceptualisation:

de Saint-Venant 2-D equations

Algorithm: Finite differences

recent version: finite elements



- **TELEMAC 2-D**

Owner: EDF (France)

Developer: EDF (France)

Commercialisation:  
SOGREAH (FR)

Flow conceptualisation:

de Saint-Venant 2-D equations

Algorithm: Finite Elements



- **Delft 3D/2D**

Owner:                      **Delft Hydraulics      (NL)**

Developer:                **Delft Hydraulics      (NL)**

Flow conceptualisation:

**de Saint-Venant 2-D equations**

Algorithm: **Finite Differences**



Final word ?

**LET US RENDER TO ENGINEER  
WHAT IS ENGINEER'S JOB !!!!!**

**MODELLING EXPERTISE IS TO BE  
SEPARATED FROM MODELLING  
TOOLS !!!**



## UNSA – Hydro-Europe - Software, models and simulation

