UNIVERSITY OF OSLO

A Systems Approach to Asset Design Interoperability.

David Cameron THTH Spring Webinar 2023

SI







Our Context: The NOAKA/Yggdrasil field Development

Two Operating Companies and Two EPC Contractors with a Coordinated, Interlinked Development







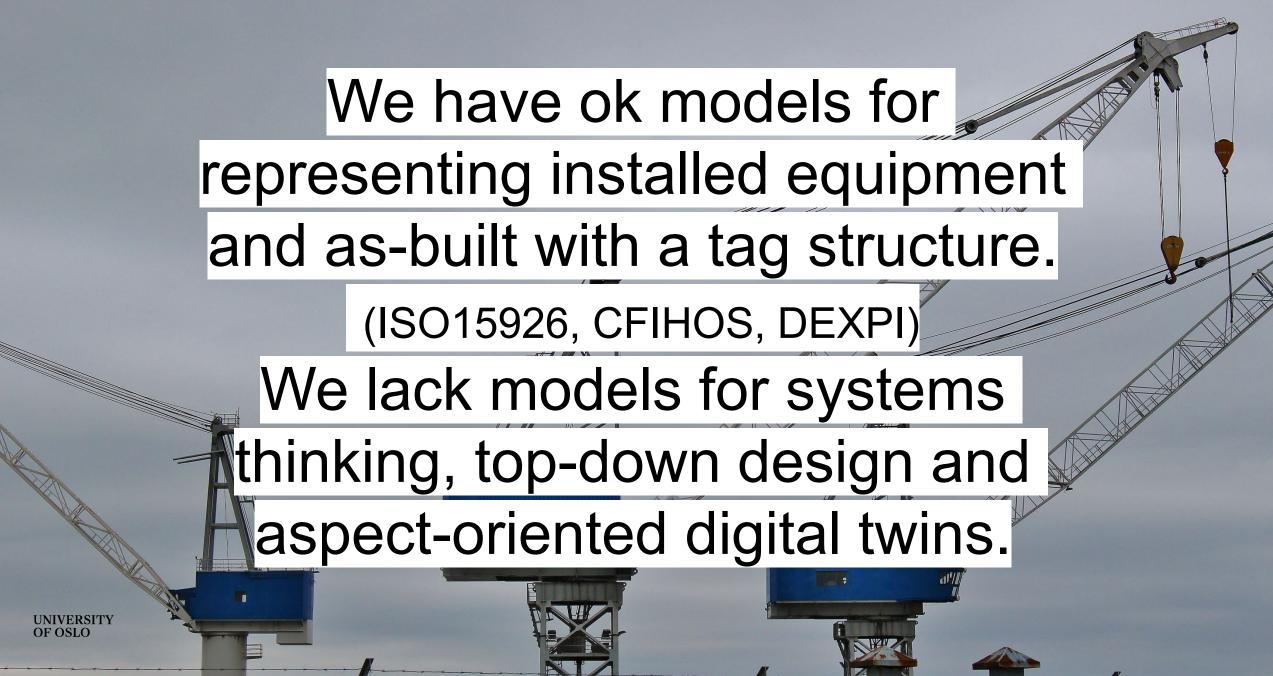
https://akerbp.com/en/project/noaka-2/

Weasel words

- Product
- Function
- Process
- Process Step
- Stream
- System
- Activity
- Functional Object
- Location
- Functional Location



Credit: iStock, vndrpttn



What is a system?

ISO15926-4, BFO



Assembly of physical things

ISO/IEC81346

INCOSE / SysML



Way of analyzing (desired) reality

Different Aspects – Different Concerns

Design & Construction



Process Design Engineer

What is the **process** we need to build?

Operations



Process Engineer

How can we optimize and troubleshoot the **process**?



Piping / Mechanical Engineer

What is the equipment we need to build to realise the process?



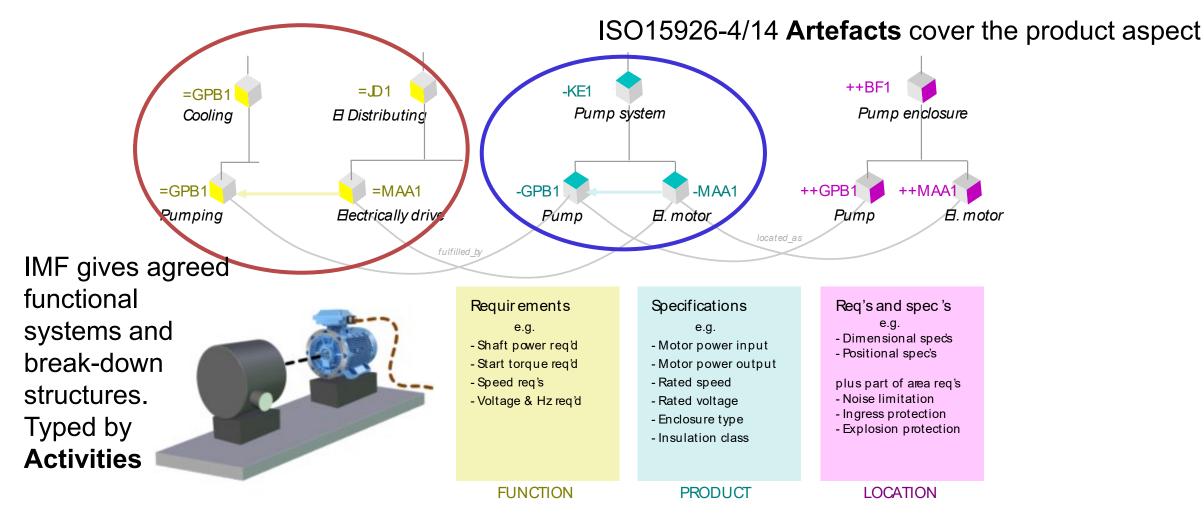
Maintenance Engineer

How do we ensure the **equipment** is running as it should?

The Information Modelling Framework allows us to apply Systems Engineering principles to our information

- Based on the ISO/IEC81346 standard series.
- Complex **systems** are broken down into sub-systems along different but agreed **aspect** trees.
- Systems and sub-systems are typed using a **Reference Designation System**.
 - An RDS has been developed for oil and gas, that is easily extendable to the process and energy industries.
- Separates function from the physical object (product) and its installed object.
- Allows us easier access to "why" questions in our digital twins.
- Allows us easier **abstraction** of relevant information.
- Integrates the "old" tag-based & product-based approach in the product aspect.
 - Without being locked into the limitations of the old approach.
 - Without overloading plant item objects with hundreds of requirements.

IMF uses aspects to separate function from equipment: for example a pump

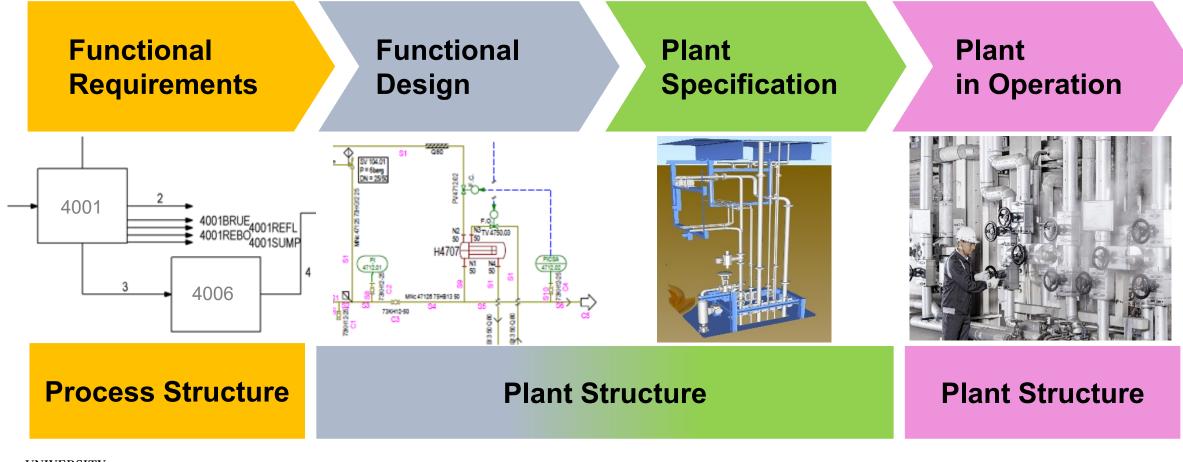


UNIVERSITY OF OSLO (credit: Arild Waaler, Erlend Fjøsna and IMF team)

DEXPI and the ENPRO lifecycle model

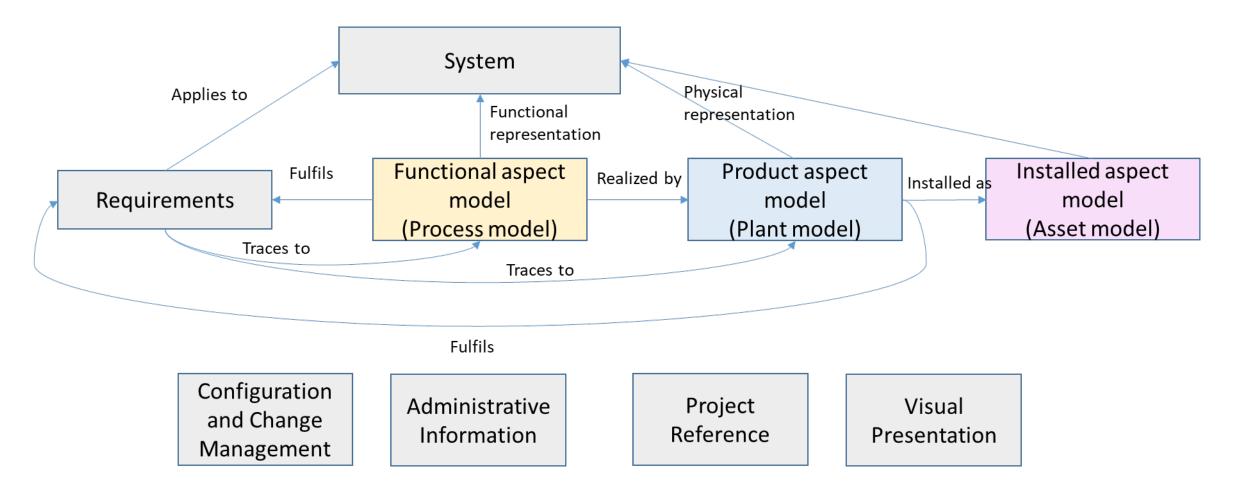
The plant lifecycle is separated into four aspects with three underlying data structures

DEXPI Data Exchange in the Process Industry



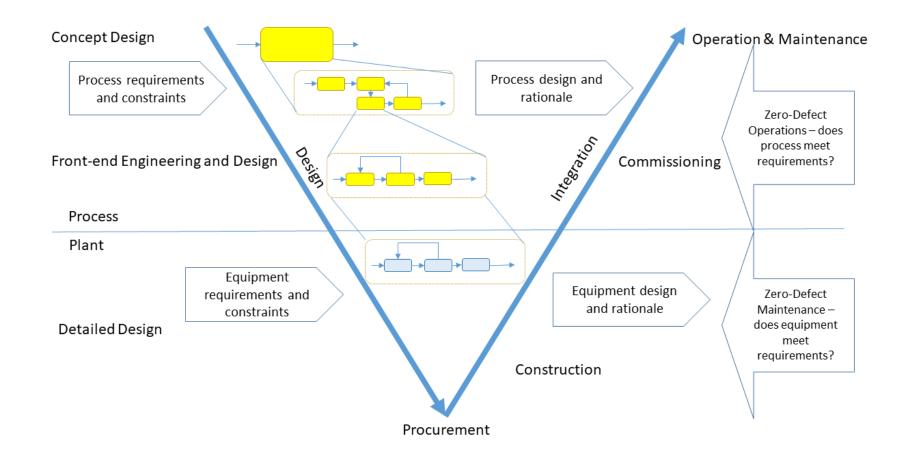
Some Background of Our Modelling Approach

Conceptual Model of an Asset Information System



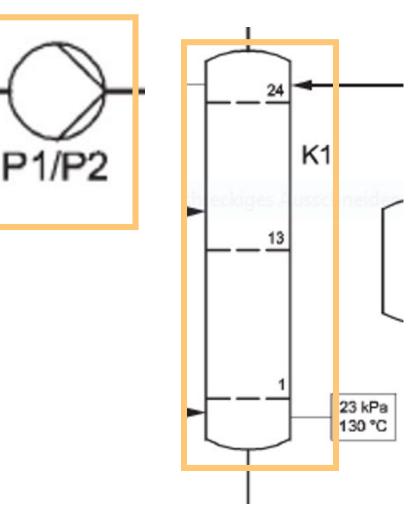
Process and Plant

Conceptual Model of an Asset Information System



A gap in the standards exists

What does a symbol in a BFD or PFD represent?

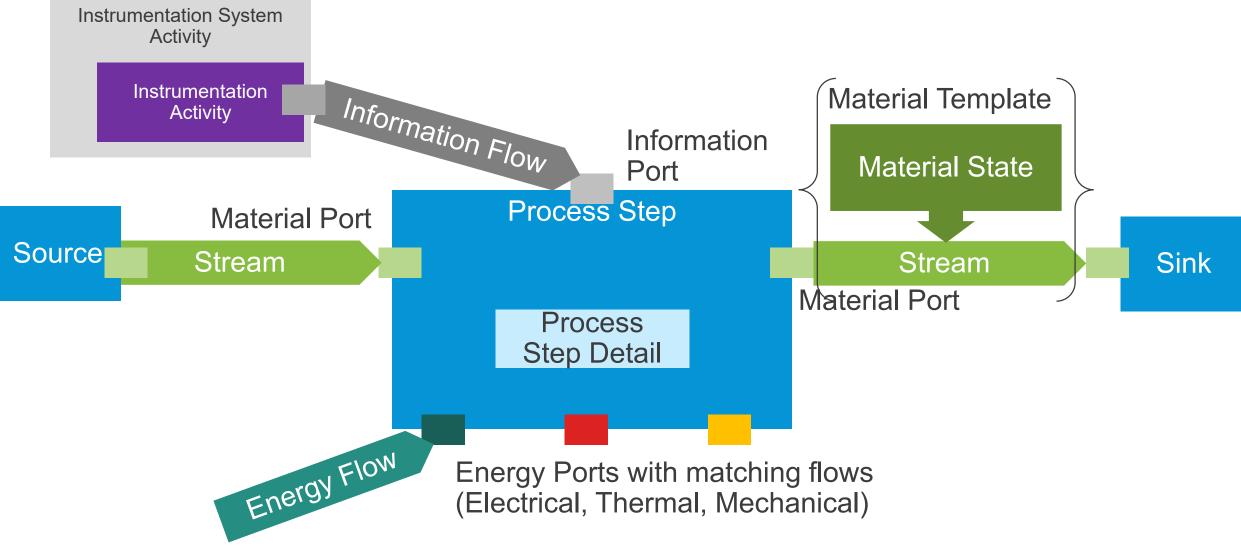




- Symbols in these diagrams represent equipment only indirectly.
- The symbol actually represents a system that performs a process.
- When we are doing the design needed to specify a BFD and PFD we are looking at
 - Process requirements.
 - Process constraints.
 - Functional systems.
- We are not looking at a distillation column, we are looking at a system for separation by distillation.
- The system is *always* more than the column itself.

The DEXPI+ core objects

Connected blocks and parameters



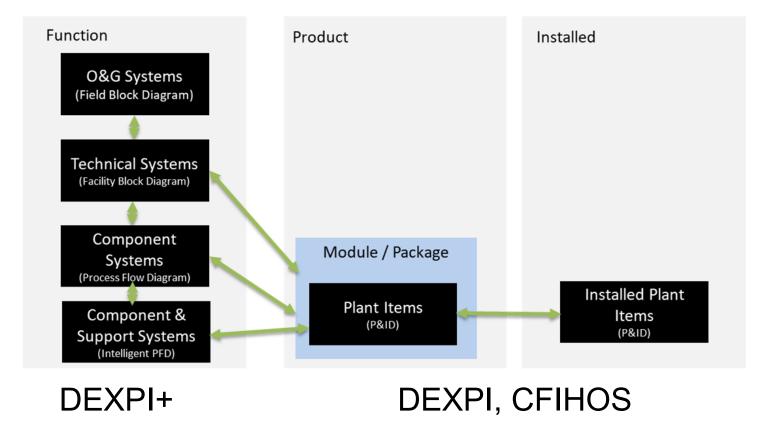
Design of a Heat Exchanger

Source: Evonik, ENPRO Project (2015).

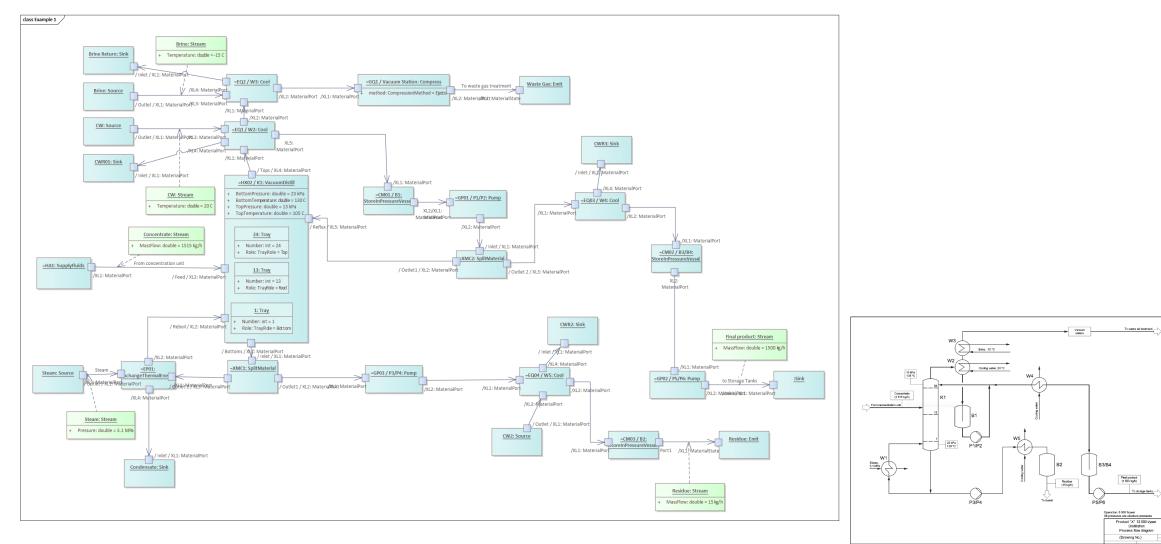
Heat Exchanger			
Functional Requirement	Functional Design	Equipment Design	Equipment in Operation
Process description	Simulation with explicit functions	P&ID with surroundings of the equipment	As built documents
Simulation without defined function	Calculation of thermodynamic interpretation	3D with surroundings of the equipment	Commissioning documents
Simulation with generic function	Process data sheet. Describing the function of the equipment.	Technical specification	Plant maintenance
PFD without type defintion (PBD)	PFD with type definition	Tender, Purchase	Operational data
	3D model of conceptual design	Production, Implementation	Test and quality protocols
UNIVERSITY OF OSLO			

Building a model during design

Process Steps realized by Plant Items and delivered as Installed Plant Items



DEXPI+



DEXPI+ integrates existing standards

SysML, OntoCAPE, ISO10209, ENPRO, READI, IMF, NOAKA, ISO15926-14

- SysML and IDEFx.
 - Blocks with ports.
- OntoCAPE.
 - Process Steps, Aspects (Functional, Equipment).
- ENPRO.
 - Lifecycle with clear distinction between process, plant and asset structure.
- ISO15926.
 - Set of **activities** that can be used to characterize DEXPI+ Blocks.
- ISO/IEC81346.
 - System engineering approach with aspects, technical systems and component systems.
- DIN6779-14.
 - ISO/IEC81346 breakdown for process engineering.
- READI project.

UNIVERSITY OF OSLO

- ISO/IEC81346 Reference Designation System for oil & gas (and process!).
- Information Modelling Framework and NOAKA collaboration.
 - Library of objects for modelling processes and equipment, aligned across ISO/IEC81346, DEXPI and CFIHOS.

DEXPI Data Exchange in the Process Industry

- Application to modelling of Krafla / Munin platform (all BFD and PFD).
- Open Demonstration of method with Tennessee Eastman Process.

A hierarchy of process steps

Characterized by reference data for *activities*, verbs, not things, nouns.

- Generating Flow: Compressing and Pumping.
- Mixing.
- Splitting.
- Transporting Material and Energy.
- Storing
- Supplying Materials and Energy.
- Supplying Exchange of Thermal Energy.
 - Heating, Cooling, Exchanging of Heat.
- Separating.
 - Phase separation, Thermal processes, Filtering, Electromagnetics, Physical Processes.
- Processing solids.
 - Reducing size, Increasing size, Forming material.
- Reacting Chemicals.
- Packaging.

UNIVERSITY OF OSLO PROCESS STEP / Technical Systems

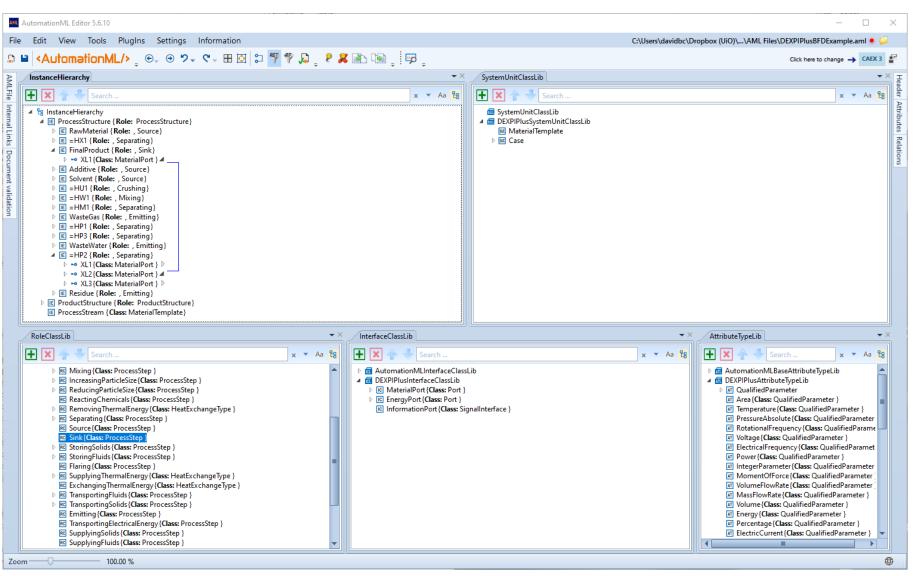
DEXPI Data Exchange in the Process Industry

What must be done? Separate, Transport, Compress...

> Unit Operations / Component Systems

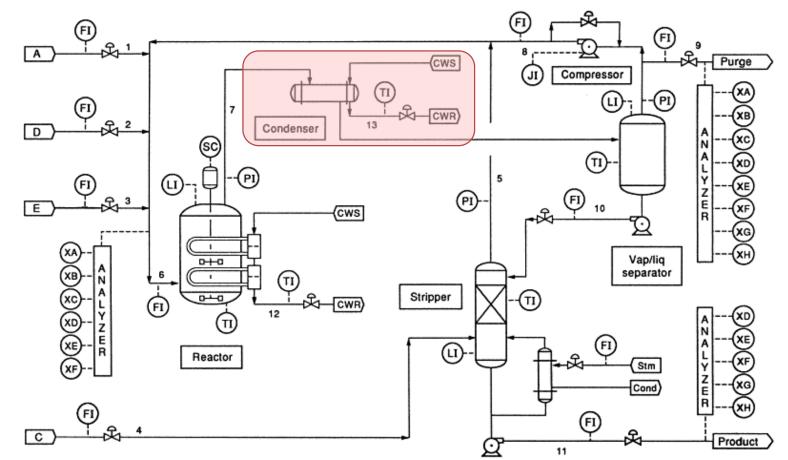
What must be done? How? Separate by distillation, Transport in piping, Compress by centrifugal motion

DEXPI+ can be implemented as AML (exploiting AML semantics)



The Tennessee Eastman Process

A Published, Non-Trivial Process Description for Use in Research and Technology Development



Resources for the Case Study

Free, open source and in need of further development

- Paper describing the case
 - https://doi.org/10.3389/fmtec.2022.945717
- Static website for browsing
 - https://sws.ifi.uio.no/project/TennesseeEastmanDemonstration/
- Enterprise Architect Model file
 - https://www.dropbox.com/s/o7h0qvqwk4vlbof/TennesseeEastmanExample.eapx?dl=0
- XMI 2.1 Export file for import in other tools (and conversion to RDF?)
 - https://www.dropbox.com/s/heuu5xpa5rp5zxx/TennesseeEastmanExample.xml?dl=0
- XMI 1.1 Export file for import in other tools
 - https://www.dropbox.com/s/adpks1rhqo0dgmy/TennesseeEastmanExampleXmi11.xml?dl=0