

PARAMETRIC VALUE STREAM MAPPING FRAMEWORK:

A CASE STUDY OF A SMALL SWEDISH INDUSTRIALIZED
HOUSE-BUILDING SUPPLIER

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Introduction

- **Industrialisation are dependent on supplier networks**
- **The need for product development capabilities**
- **Many small (SME) suppliers and sub-contractors**
- **High risk associated with product development**

Contextual setting

Prefabricated house-building

Industrialized house-building

Systems Building

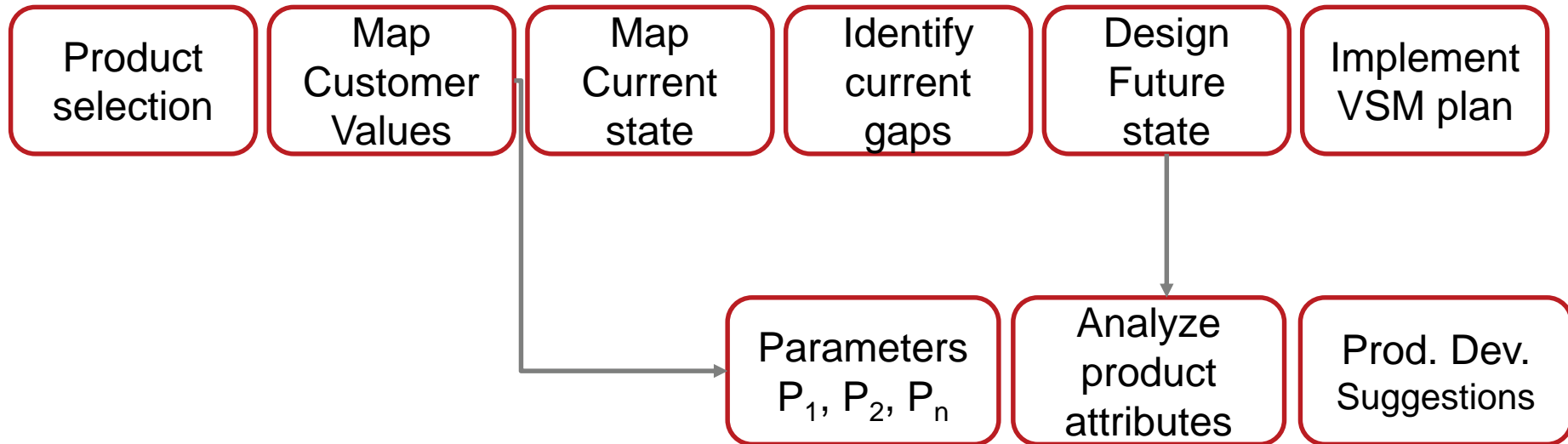
INDUSTRIALIZED BUILDING

Modern methods

Research question

Can product development done by small and medium-sized suppliers of industrialized house-building be supported by parametric Value Stream Mapping?

Parametric VSM Framework



Method

- **Case study**
- **Two products at two construction sites:**
 1. **Roofing with tongue board (Product A)**
 2. **Roofing with tongue board with an integrated membrane (Prod. B)**
- **Video recorded participant observations:**
 - **Assembly on construction site (Product A and Product B)**
 - **Total of 24 hrs.**
- **6 recorded and transcribed Interviews with**
 - **3 purchasing roles**
 - **3 on-site construction workers**

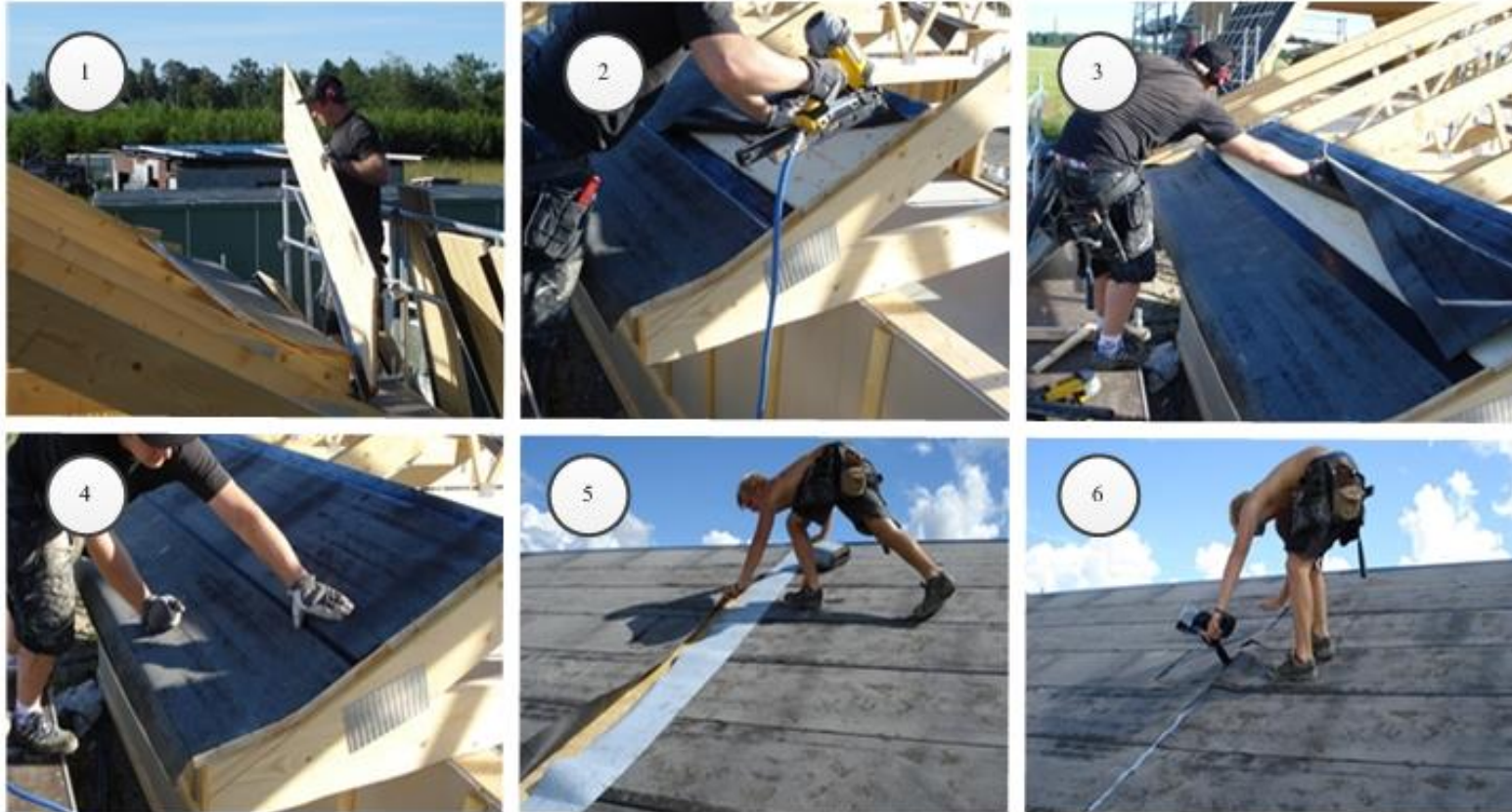
Product B



Tongue Board

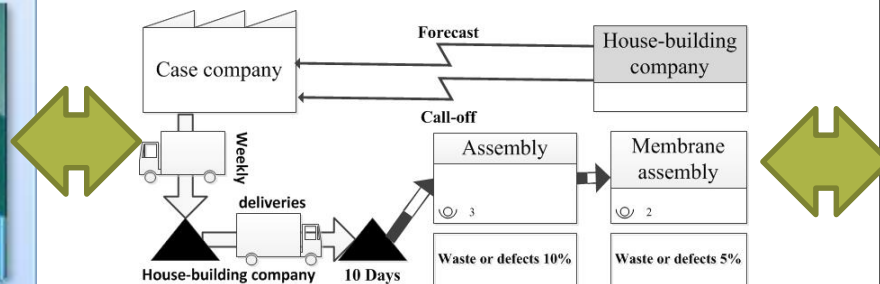
Overlapping Membrane

Product B



Analysis

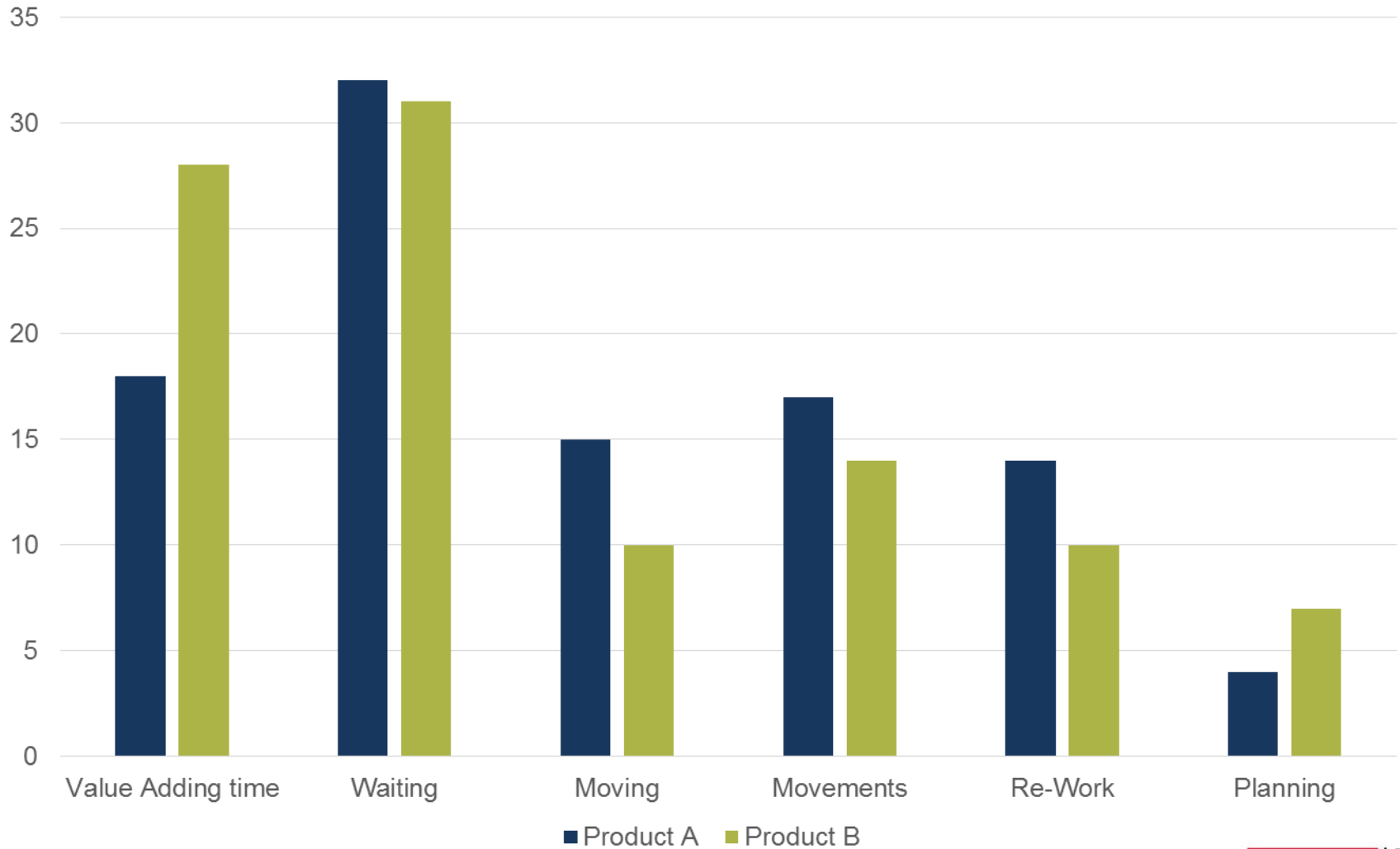
1. Video recorded material in-reverse
2. Value stream mapping based on parameters P_1 , P_2 and P_3
3. Spreadsheet to categorized waste (P_2)
4. Recording and analysis verified by construction workers
5. Transcribed interviews marked with P_1 , P_2 and P_3
6. Analyze results from VSM, interviews and spreadsheet



Findings

Parameter	Value	Respondent
P1	Truss interval	A
	Stabilization	A, B
	Project adjusted from factory	A, B, C, F
	Project based packaging	C
P2	Reduction of Assembly time	A, B, C, D, E, F
	Good fit	F
	Better quality on visible parts	A, B
	Visual numbering	B
P3	Walk on board	A, B
	Crane lifting	B
	Reduce time on roof	A, B
	Reduced weight	A

Findings



Conclusions

- **VSM can support product development process**
 - **Analyzing the relationships between Process and product attributes**
 - **Based on P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n**
- **Support managerial decision making and understanding**

Future research direction

■ Framework development:

- Define interfaces/interrelationships between steps
- Enhance the model with simulation of parameters

■ Method development of the video-recording

