

# Embedded a key component in the Vanderlande logistic process automation

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# Vanderlande customers

## AIRPORTS



## WAREHOUSING



## PARCEL





# About Vanderlande: Company profile



Global market leader



Established since **1949**



**>5,000**  
EMPLOYEES



**1.1 Billion**  
REVENUE



innovative systems



intelligent software



life-cycle services



**AIRPORTS**

**10.1**  
million bags per day

**600**  
AIRPORTS INCLUDING  
13 OF THE WORLDS TOP 20

- > Atlanta Airport
- > London Heathrow Airport
- > Hong Kong Int. Airport
- > Amsterdam Airport Schiphol



**WAREHOUSING**

**Many**  
of the largest



global  
e-commerce  
players

- > Amazon
- > TESCO
- > Zalando
- > ASDA



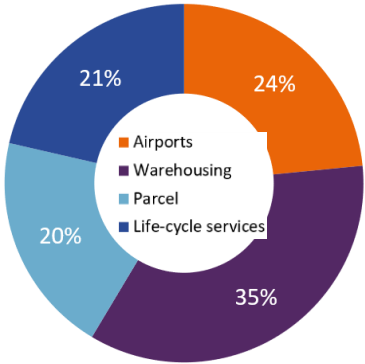
**PARCEL**



**39 Million**  
parcels sorted  
every day

**5** Largest  
parcel  
and postal  
companies

- > UPS
- > Deutsche Post DHL
- > TNT
- > FedEx
- > SF Express

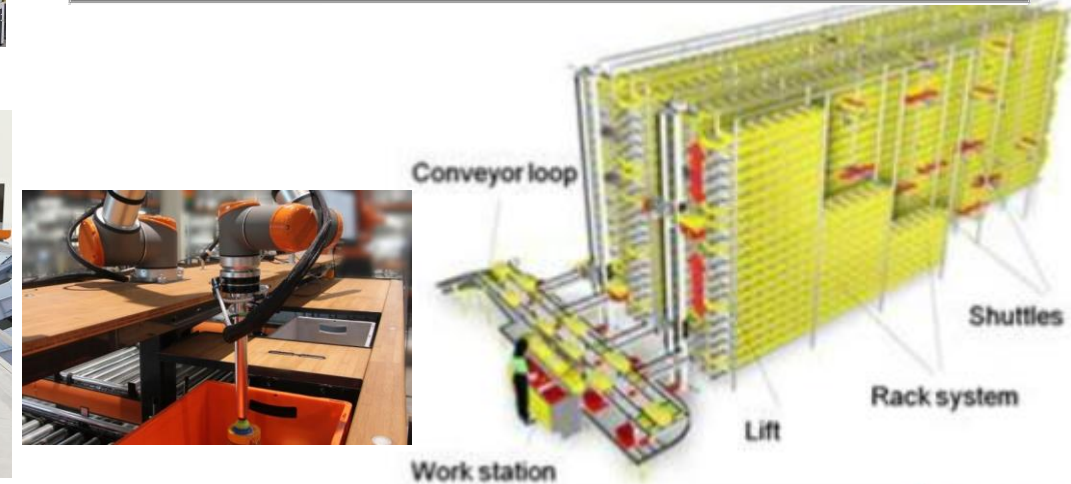




# We supply and integrate logistic process automation solutions

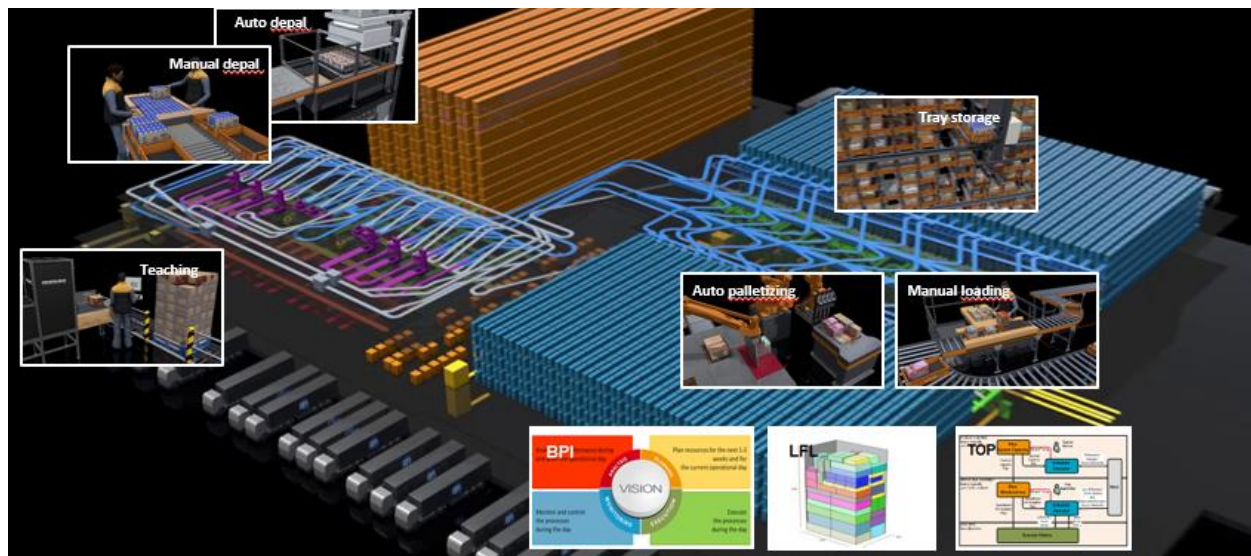
**VANDERLANDE**

- Our mission: to improve the competitiveness of our customers
- We deliver systems that manage the flow of physical objects in airports, warehouses and parcel hubs.
- We automate operation processes as moving, sorting, consolidating and storing of physical objects.

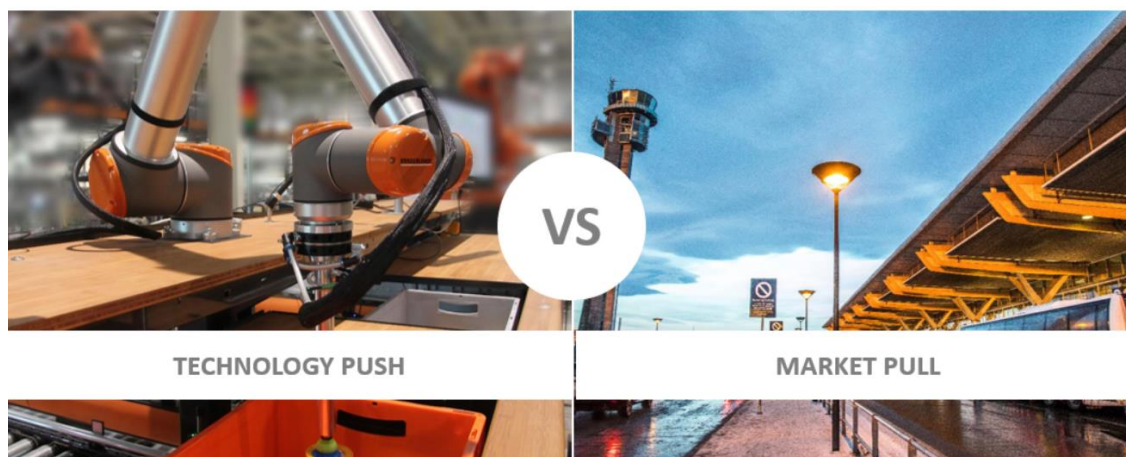




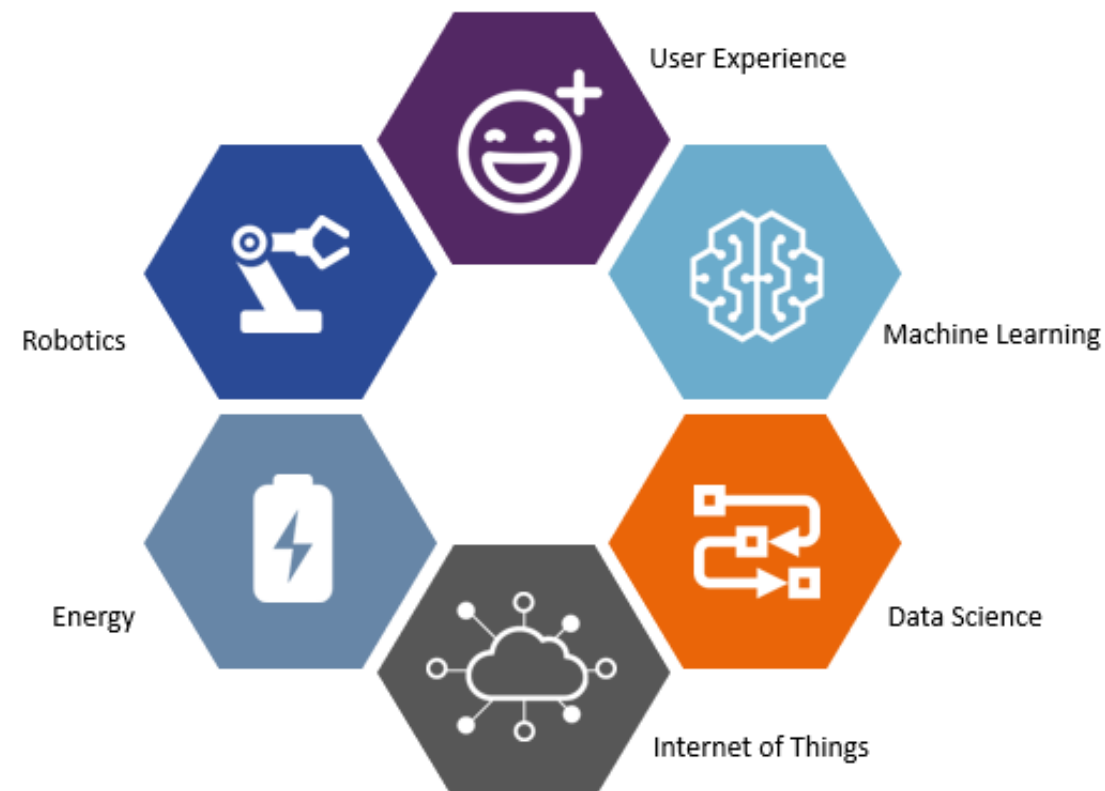
# R&D (275 employees worldwide)



## Innovation



## Technology themes

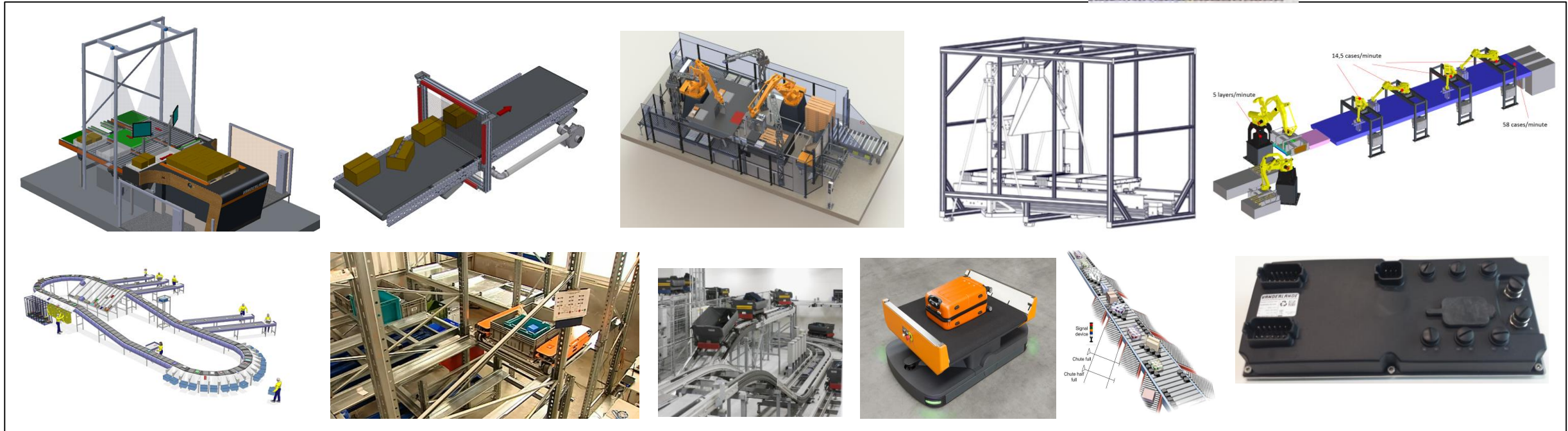


# R&D: Vision & Embedded systems

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Technical Lead:

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**Team:**

Fixed:	16	(6 PC, 8 EC)
Contractor:	6	(5 PC, 1 EC)
Students:	3	

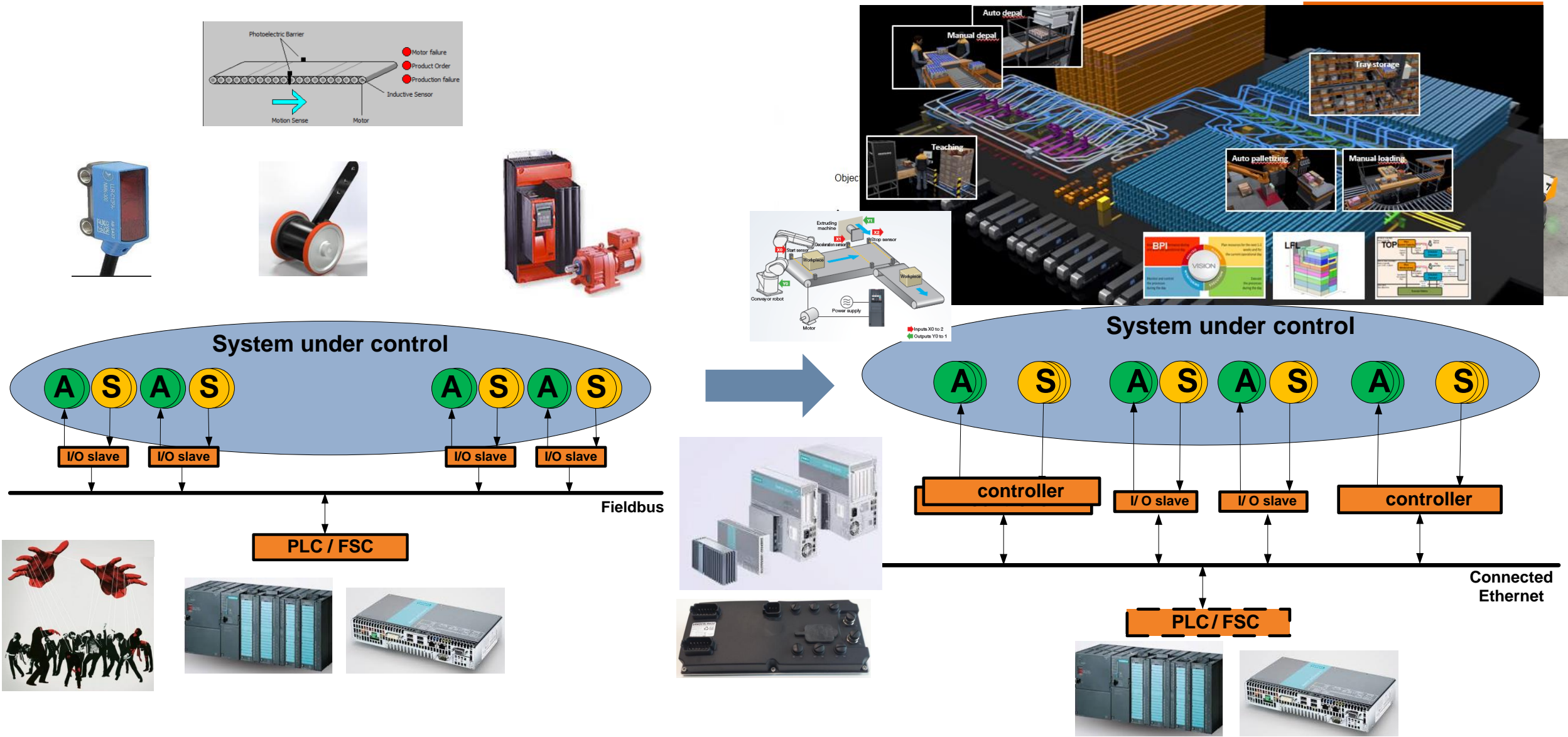
**Core Competences:** Mechatronics, MBD, Matlab, algorithms, camera's, electronics, drives, software, code generation



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# Trend: Shift to decentral smart control (functional modules)





## Data exchange becomes key

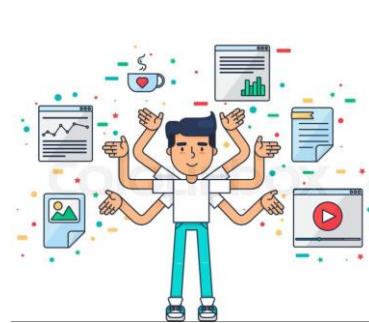
- Horizontal (number of different controllers that together perform a decentral task)
- Vertical (f.i. information to the cloud to enable predictive maintenance)
- Preference: devices use the same protocols to exchange data
- We can not prescribe the market
- We invested in the used Ethernet protocols (Profinet, Ethernet/Ip)

Where has it brought us so far?

# Data exchange horiz/vert based on standard protocol

UX stakeholders:  
Assembly  
Installation  
Commissioning  
Service  
R&D

## Benefits Predictive Maintenance



Increase equipment uptime



Reduced spare parts inventory



Overhaul and repair time down



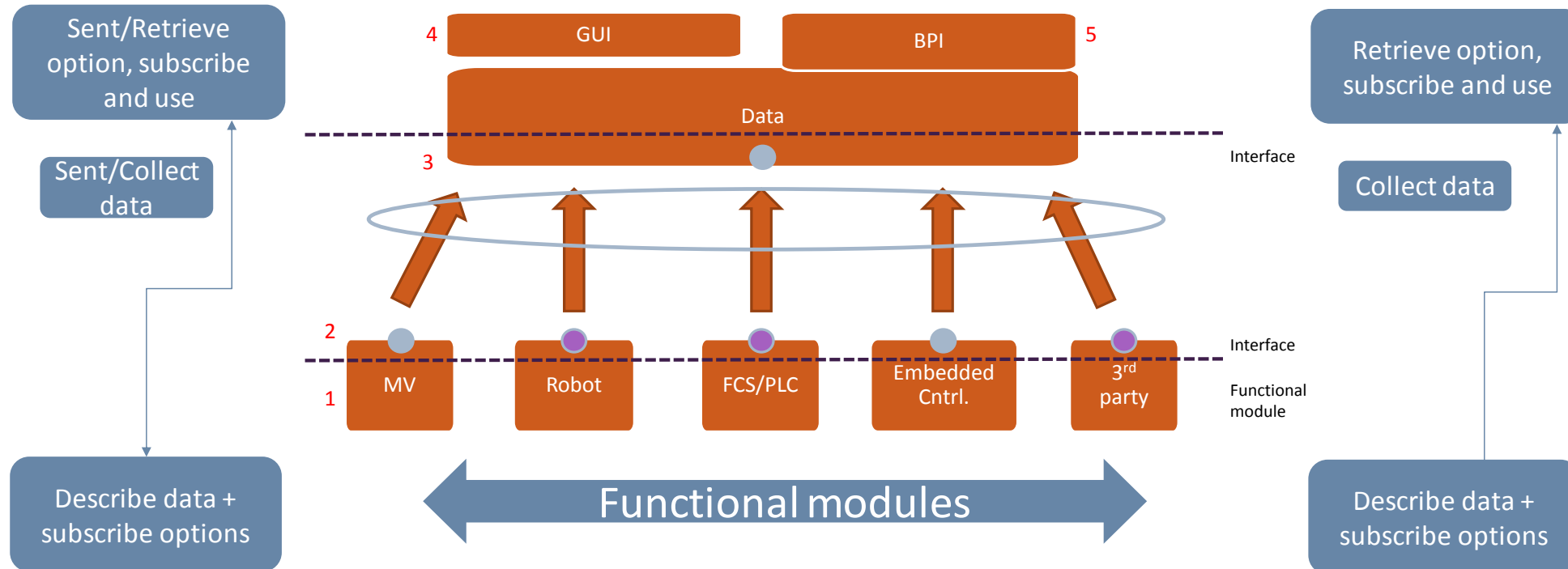
Decrease unscheduled maintenance



Maintenance costs down



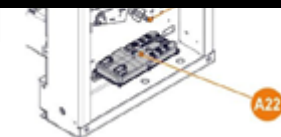
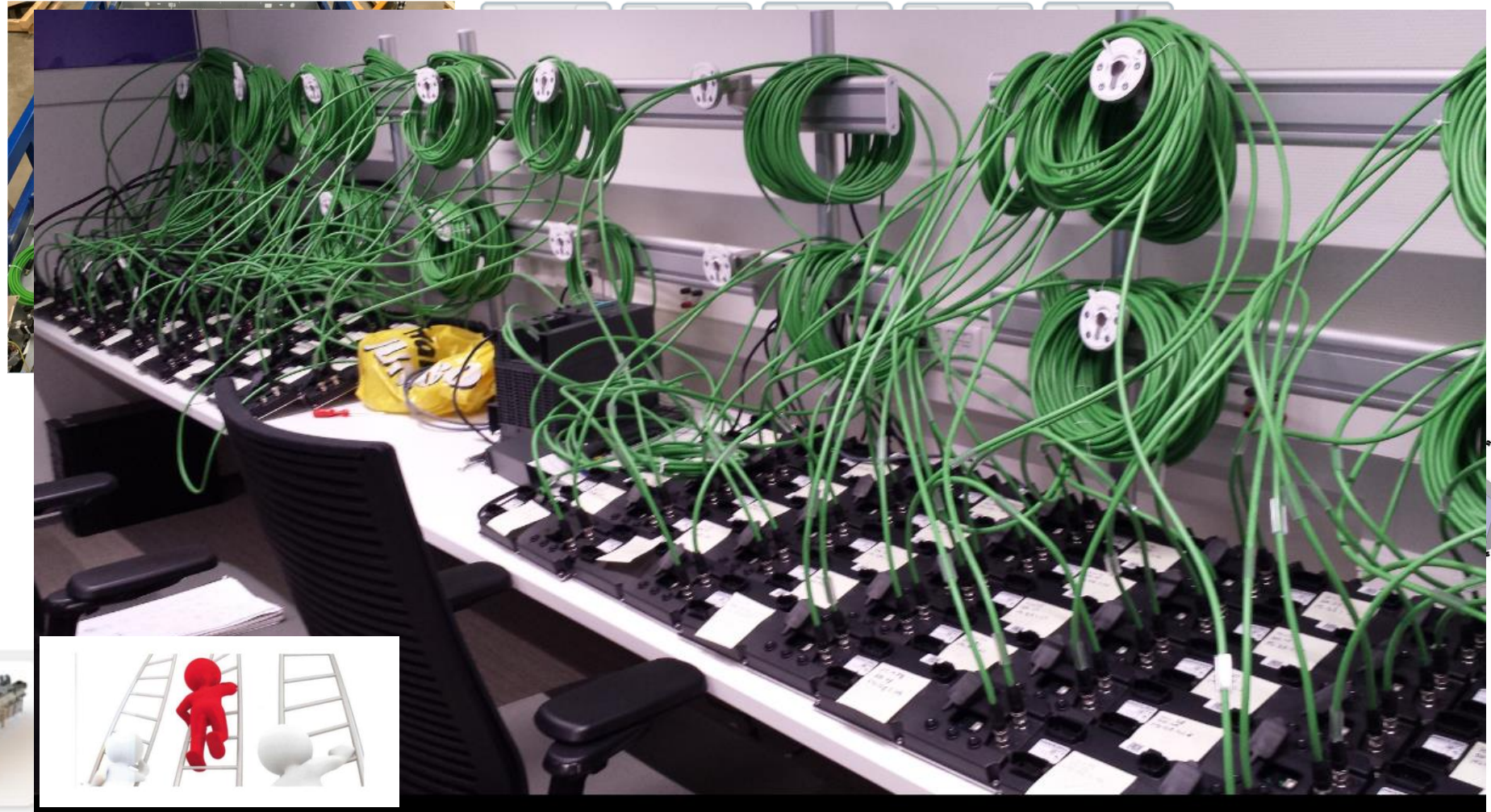
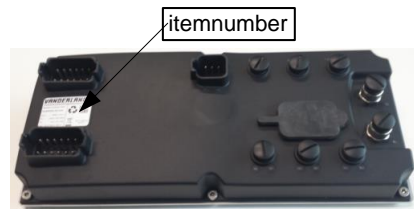
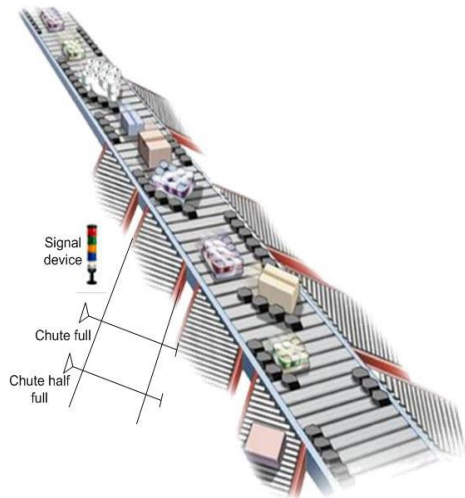
Increase system knowledge (big data)



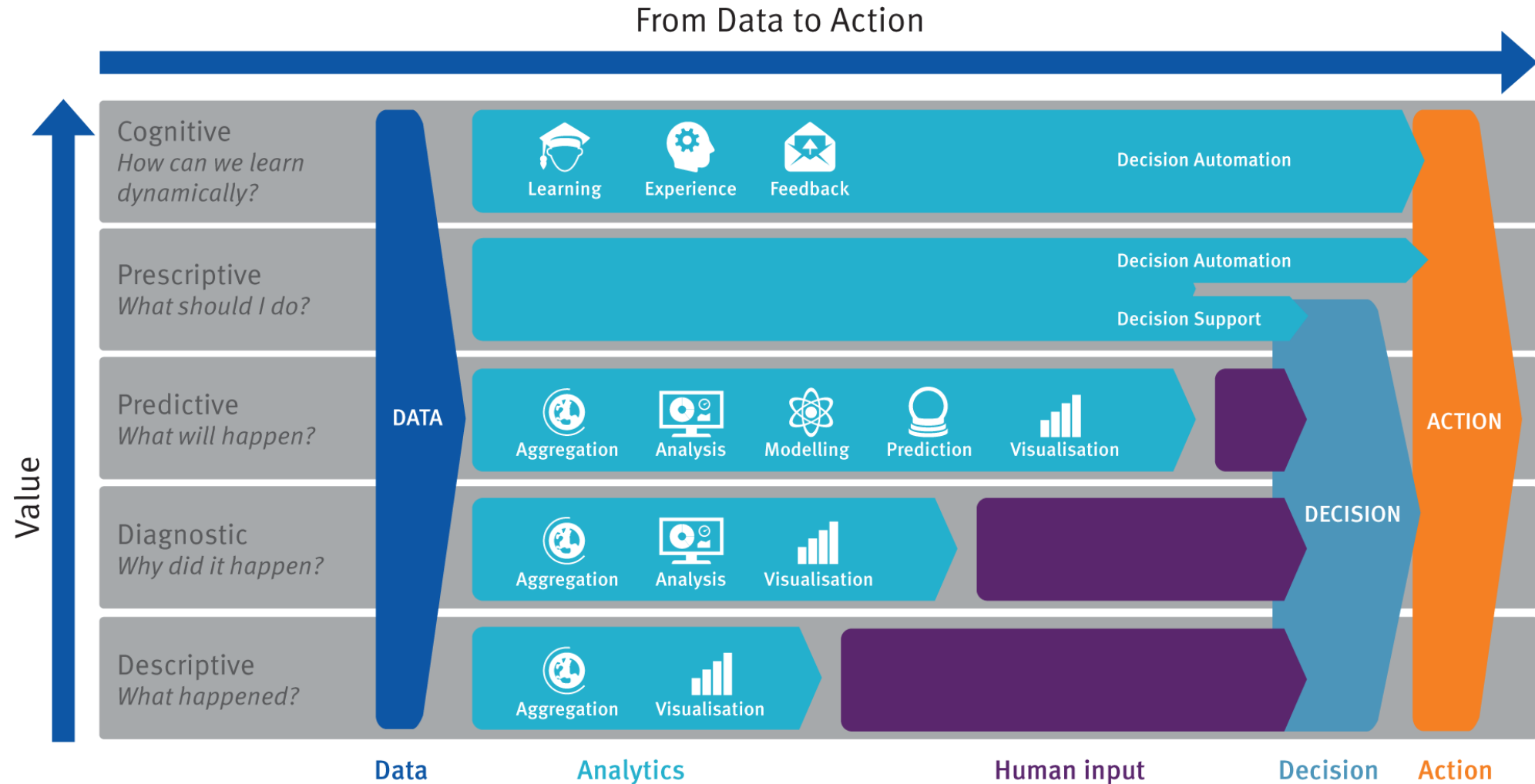


# Vertical: Focus on UX for product life cycle

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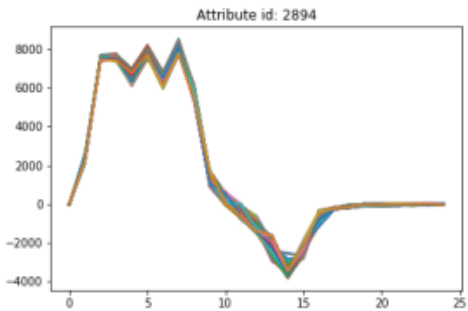
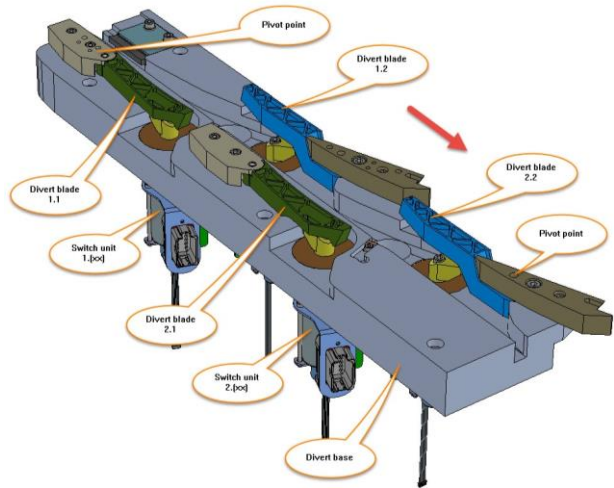
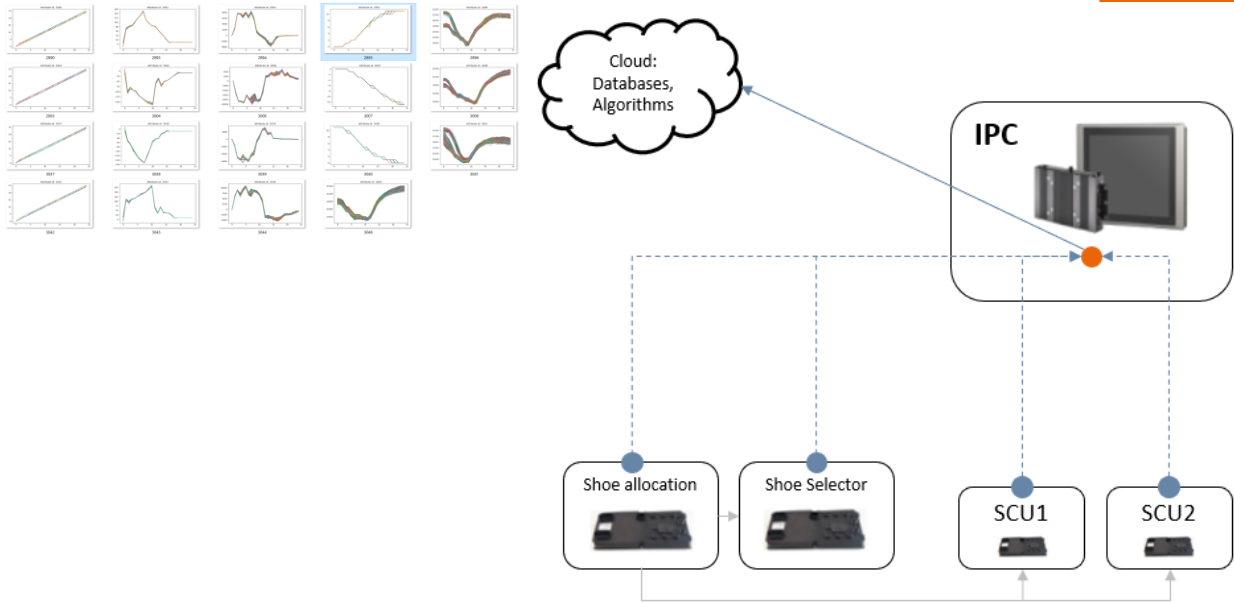


# Data Science - From fundamentals to added value

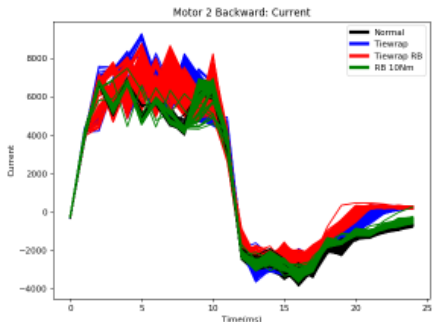




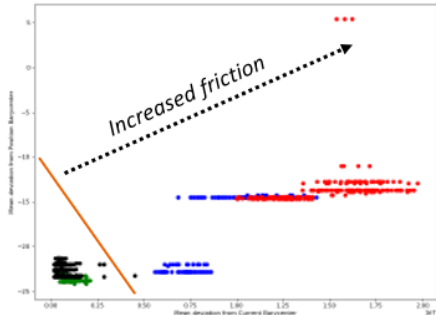
# Predictive maintenance



Normal behavior



more friction  
caused by pollution

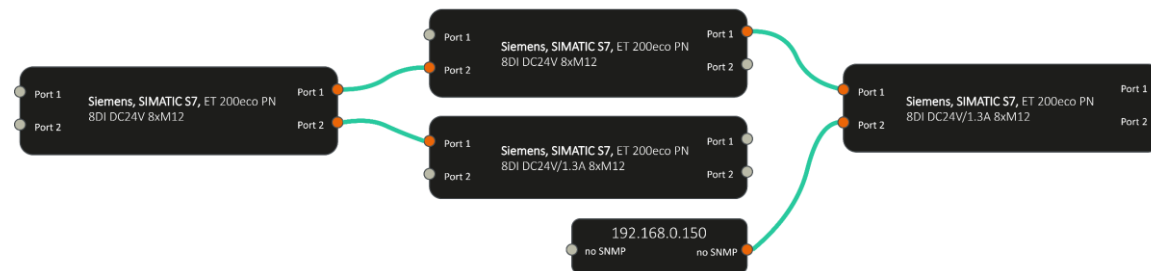
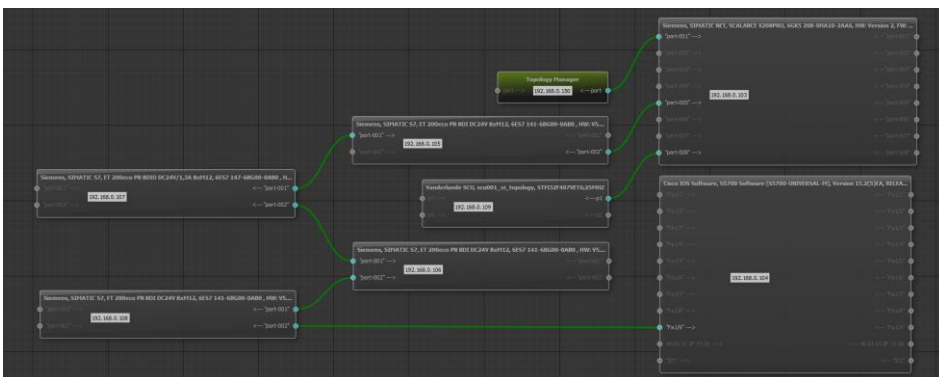
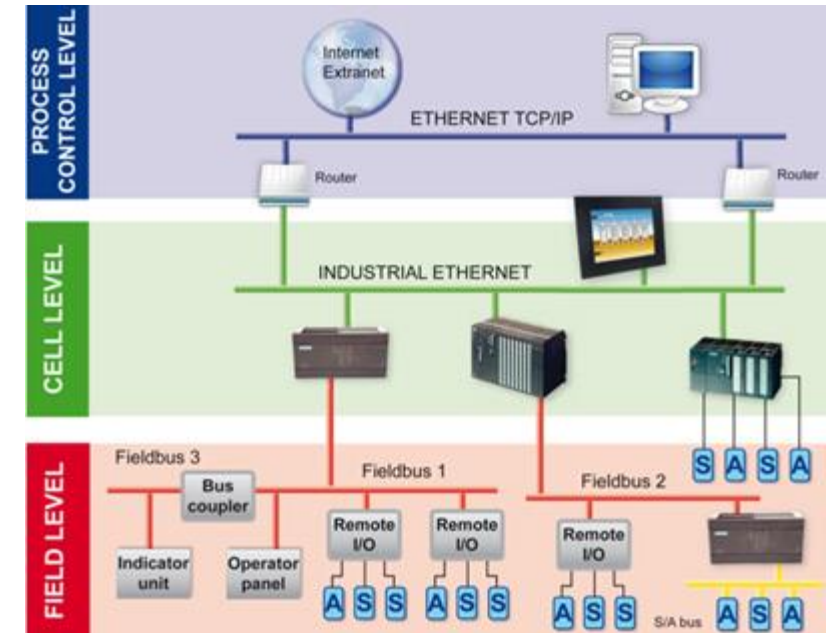


separate normal from  
abnormal behavior (orange line)

# Next step plug and play deployment

## 1. By standardizing we can support our own and 3th party products.

1. Scan the network (detection of all controllers)
2. Selection and firmware download
3. Topology detection
4. Future: plug and play deployment



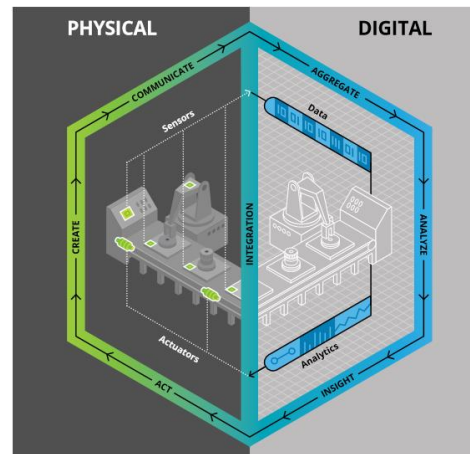


## Design and code generation from Matlab

### Future:

To develop, test and produce new products in an entirely virtual space before they are actually produced.

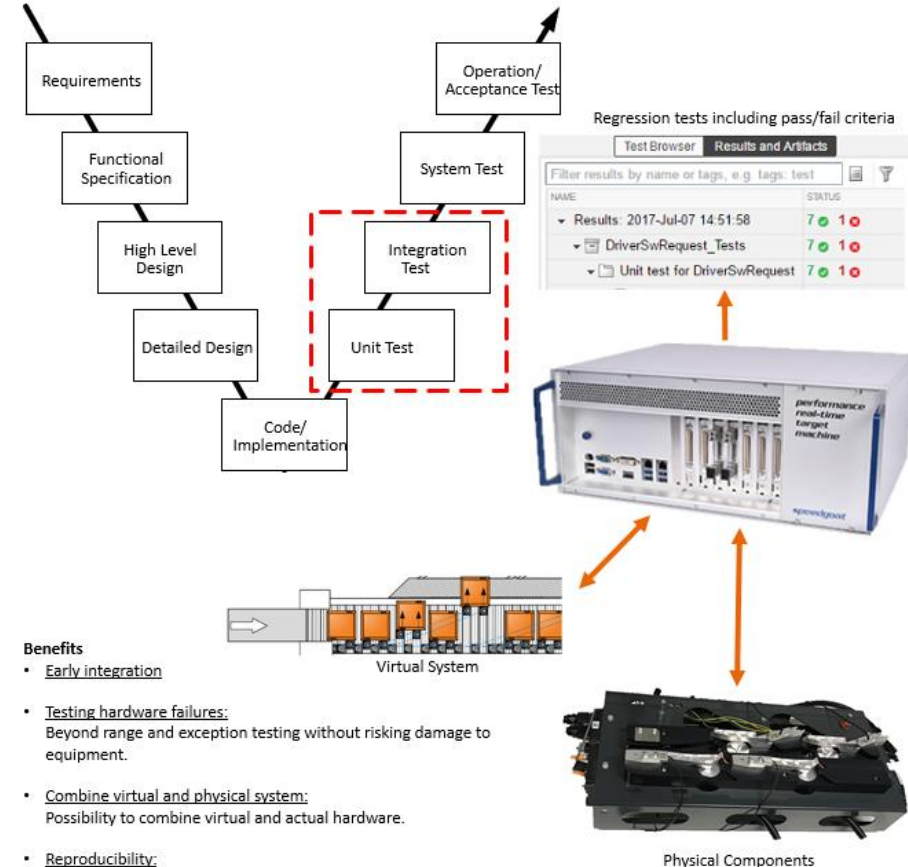
To improve products with data out the field.



## Test with plant models

### Speedgoat: real-time simulation

Fast validation and verification of new hard- and software without the need of the real system.



### Benefits

- Early integration
- Testing hardware failures:  
Beyond range and exception testing without risking damage to equipment.
- Combine virtual and physical system:  
Possibility to combine virtual and actual hardware.
- Reproducibility:  
Every run using the same input results in the same output.
- Adaptability:  
Virtual model and I/O interface can be up/down scaled easily.

- 1. Shift to decentral smart control**
- 2. Smart connected: data exchange becomes key**
  1. Functional modules
  2. UX during different product life cycle
  3. Data science: from Descriptive to Predictive to Cognitive
- 3. MBD for test and development**



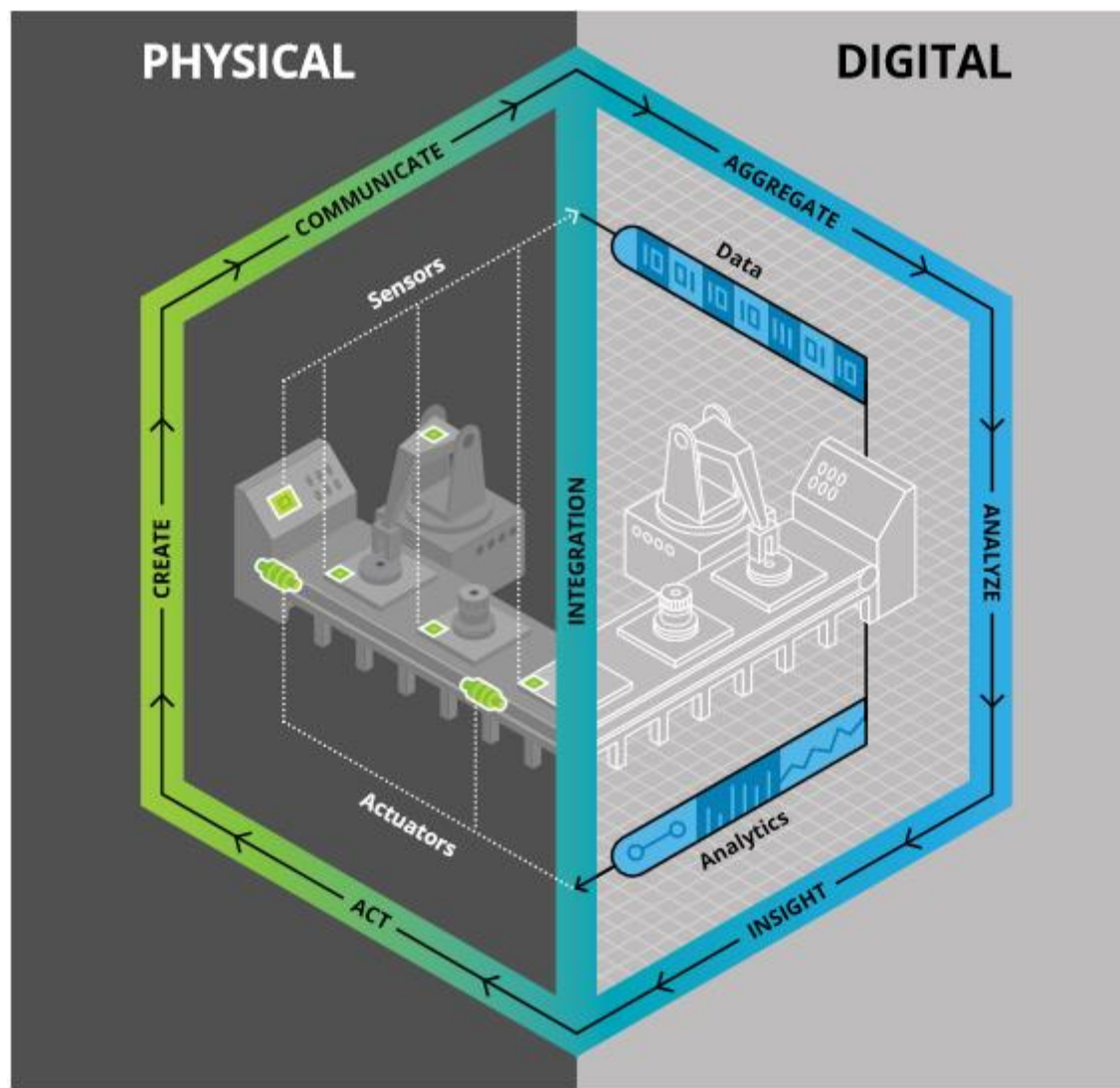
# Questions



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## The Digital Twin

- A complex system produces massive amounts of data. Connect a group of systems together through the internet, and the data increases exponentially. All of the data coming off of these devices is descriptive. That is, the data tells you what happened and when it happened. Data analytics extends the data to be predictive and tell you when something will happen — a failure, for instance. But data analytics doesn't tell you how to improve the product to avoid the failure. However, a digital twin — a 3-D digital model of a physical system — can do this!

