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Artificial Intelligence for Production Management and Control towards Mass Personalization in Industry 4.0

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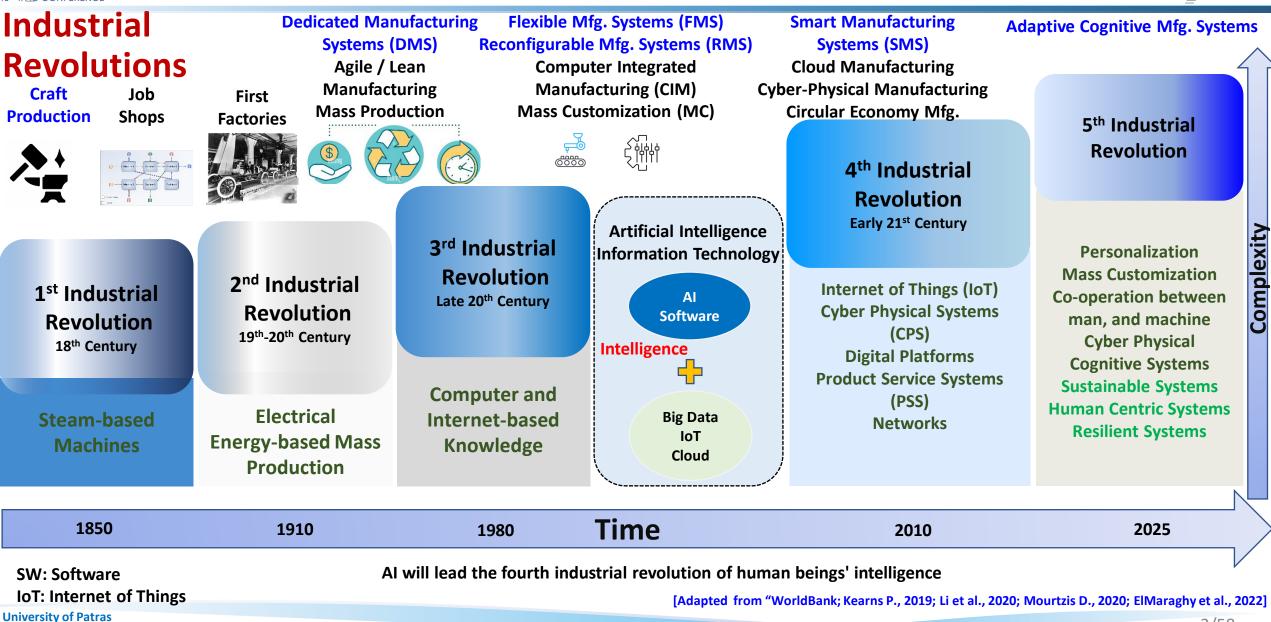


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Introduction





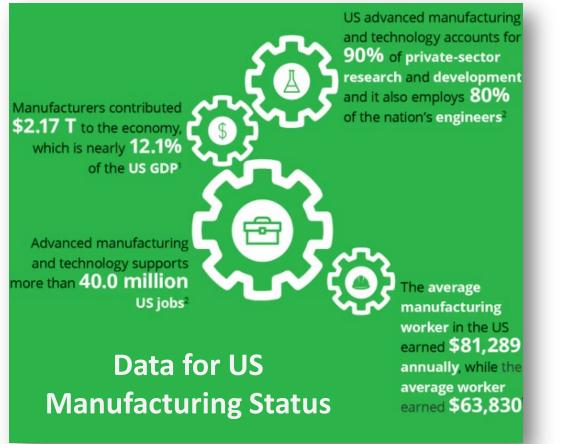
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Why Manufacturing Matters

- ✓ The manufacturing industry is propelled by advanced technologies and constant innovation
- It plays a key role in enhancing economic prosperity through increased productivity, raising GDP output, and creating higher-income jobs



Top 12 drivers of global Manufacturing Competitiveness



Top Manufacturing Competitive Nations (by 2020):

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India [Source: Deloitte, 2021]



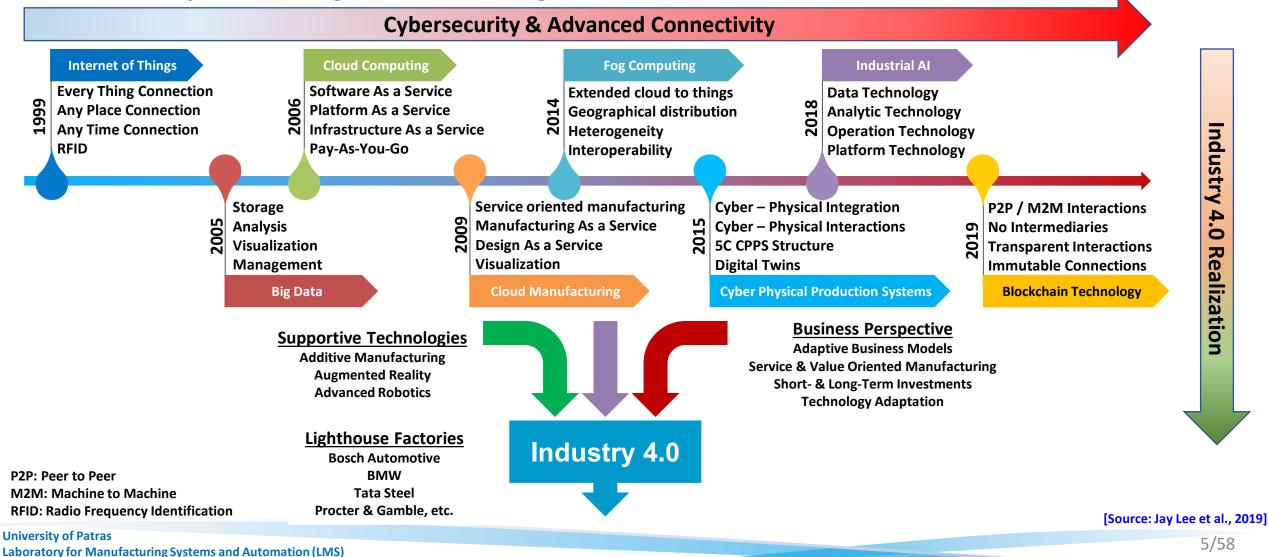
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Introduction



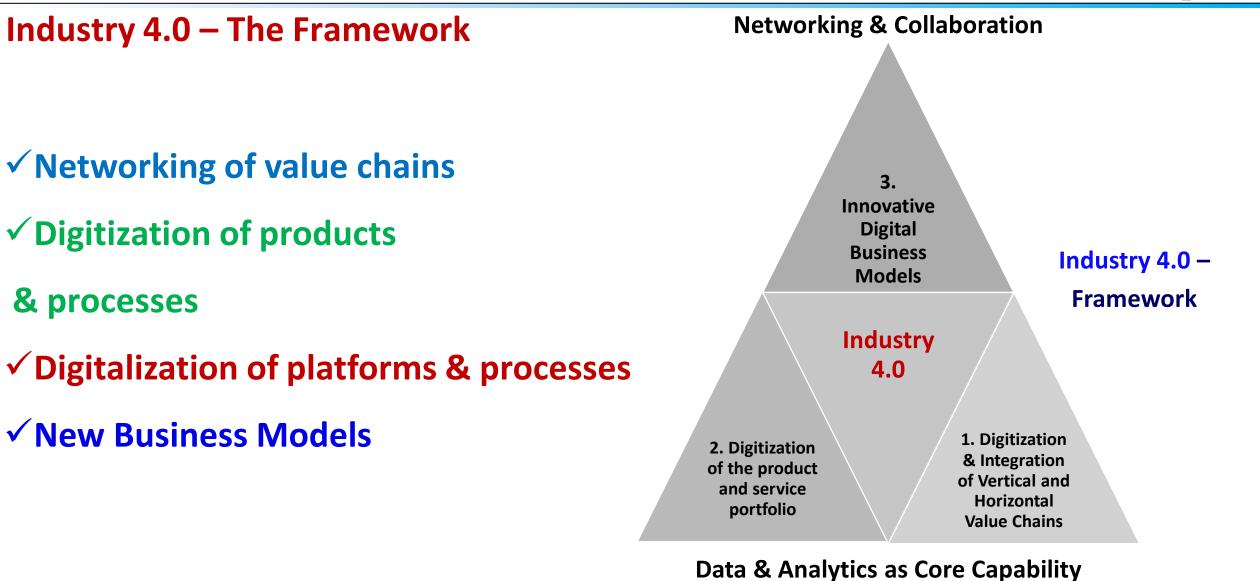
Industry 4.0 – AI as a catalyst to Intelligent Manufacturing

Timeline of Disruptive Technologies in Manufacturing









[Source: Industry 4.0 – Opportunities and challenges of the Industrial Internet, PwC, 2020]



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Industry 4.0 – The Origin

ANUFACTURING MANAGE

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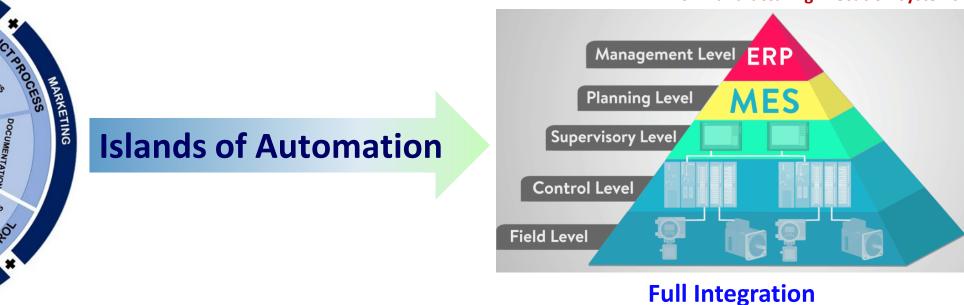
Is Industry 4.0 a brand-new business model?



Digital Transformation

Interoperability

ERP: Enterprise Resource Planning MES: Manufacturing Execution Systems



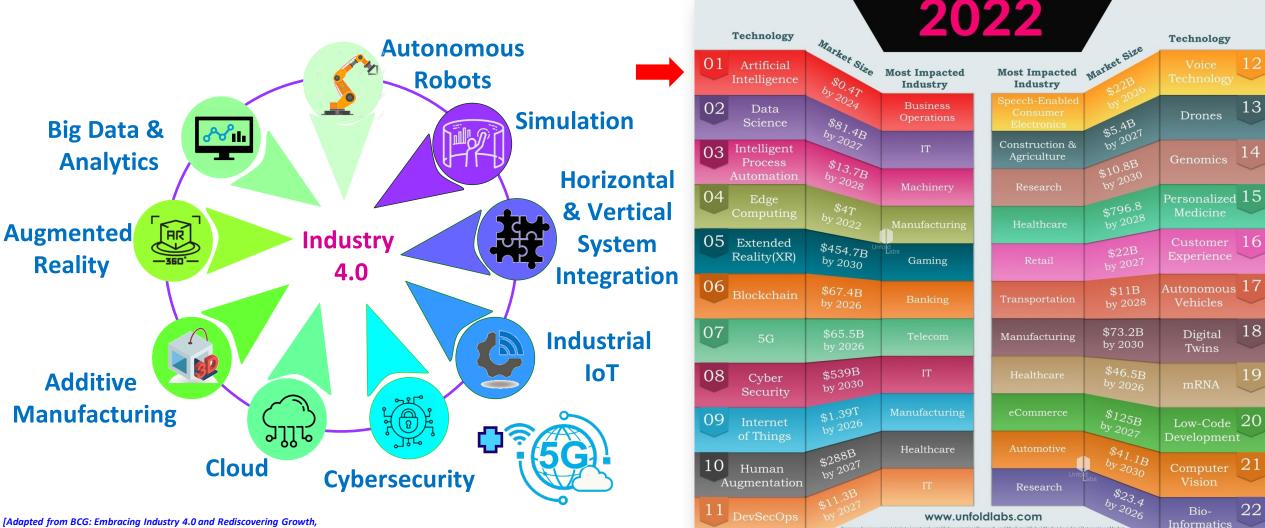
~1980s: Computer Integrated Manufacturing (CIM)

[Source: <u>Matthews, R.</u> (1997), "Islands of automation", <u>Assembly Automation</u>, Vol. 17 No. 4, pp. 291-294. <u>https://doi.org/10.1108/01445159710191552</u>; https://medium.com/world-of-iot/92-what-is-the-five-layer-automation-pyramid-d0ccc1b903c3





Technological Pillars Towards Digital Transformation



https://www.bcg.com/capabilities/operations/embracing-industry-4.0-rediscovering-growth.aspx]





Industry 4.0 – Digitalization of Manufacturing is **NOT** a Future Trend

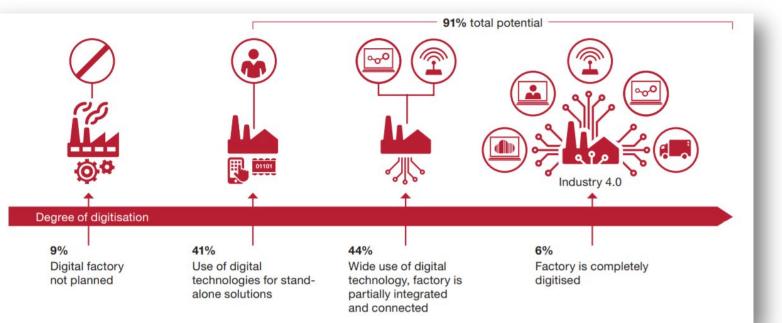
Manufacturing has a real impact on the global economy: It accounts for 70 percent (70%) of global trade

Digitalization of Manufacturing has created new job positions for 34 million people

Industry 4.0 is NO longer a 'future trend' [PwC, 2016]



Digital factories at the top of the Agenda







✓ Increase in the involvement/engagement of end-users in the product lifecycle ✓ **Requirement:** Flexible manufacturing operations to produce **cost-effective** Problem individualized products in dynamic batch sizes at scale taking into consideration **Statement** the unique preferences of each customer **Quick Response to changing demands and disruptions for increased resilience to:** The factory Operation Challenge Supply chains & Production Networks Unique Customer needs Production Management & Control How is this ✓ Self-optimizing manufacturing systems & operations to achieve: achieved? flexible, autonomous, and error-tolerant production ✓ The main technological drivers of MPe are the Big Data Sets and Artificial Intelligence (AI)





Personalization vs. Mass Personalization

Personalization

"degree to which receivers perceive a message reflects their distinctiveness as individuals differentiated by their interests, history, and relationship network"

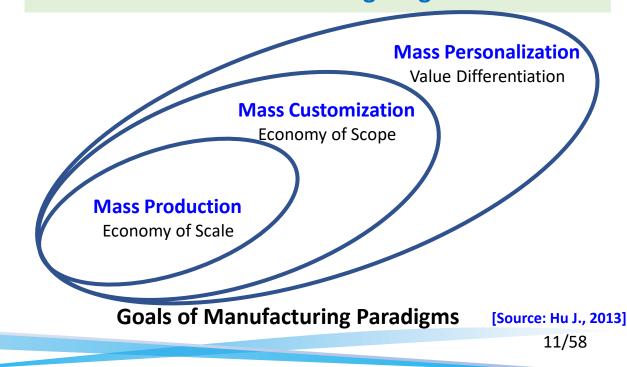
[Source: O'Sallivan and Carr, 2018]

Mass (user-initiated) customization

"individuals deliberately tailor content by choosing options and/or creating new content and become sources of communicative interactions (i.e. self-as-source)"

[Source: Mourtzis and Doukas, 2014; Elmaraghy et al., 2021]

Mass Personalization "the act of creating highly-personalized digital experiences for specific audiences based on a set of criteria. Usually, this will be using a segmentation model, which helps businesses split their customer base for effective targeting"



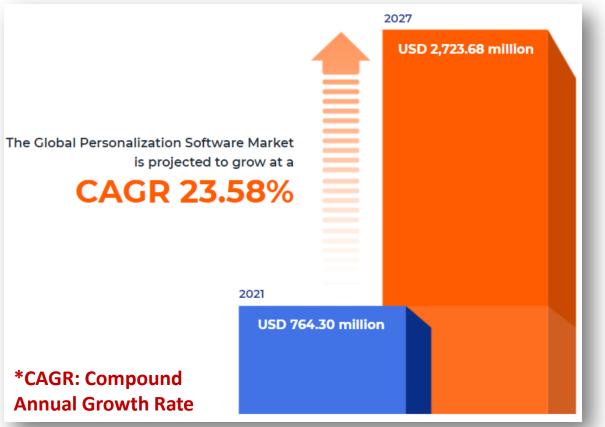




Why Personalization Matters – Market Share Personalization Software Market Share

 The global personalization software market is expected to grow from \$620 million in 2020 to \$2.2 billion by the end of 2026

 The recommendation engine market size is projected to reach \$12.03 billion by 2025, up from \$ 1.14 billion in 2018, with a CAGR of 32.39% during 2020-2025



The global personalization software market was estimated to be \$764.30 million in 2021 and is expected to reach \$943.25 million in 2022, at a CAGR of 23.58 percent to reach \$2.72 billion by 2027

[Source: 360i Research Report, 2022]

[Source: Exciting Personalization Trends to Watch for in 2022]





Reasons for Mass Personalization

- **Why does Mass Personalization Matter**
- ✓ Customer: being integral part of Online Personalized Experience
- ✓ Elevated Consumer Expectations:



Relevant, Contextual & Convenient Experiences to Unprecedented Heights

91% of consumers are more likely to shop with brands who recognize, remember, and provide them with relevant offers and recommendations

[Source: Accenture survey, 2018]

Personalization means using Audience and Data Analytics to meet the individual needs of a consumer

- 1. Use your data to outline the details of who each of your customers is,
 - 2. What their intention is at any particular moment, and
- 3. Where, when, and how they've engaged with your brand previously

[Source: Personalization: The Basics, SITESCORE, 2022]





Key Marketing Personalization Statistics

- 80% of consumers are more likely to buy from a company that provides a tailored experience
- 66% of consumers expect brands to understand their individual needs
- 70% of consumers say that how well a company understands their individual needs impacts their loyalty
- 71% of customers are frustrated by impersonal shopping experiences
- 42% of customers are frustrated by impersonalized content
- 72% of customers will only engage with personalized messaging
- 63% of consumers won't buy from brands that have poor personalization
- 60% of marketers say their digital content is extensively or very extensive personalized
- 88% of marketers say their biggest goal with personalization is to improve the customer experience
- 70% of consumers are more likely to buy from company's that understand how they use their products/services

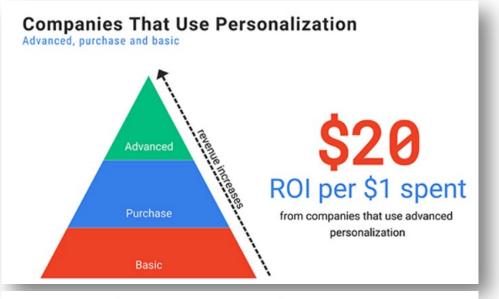
[Source: 56 Top Personalization Statistics: Facts And Trends For 2022, Link]



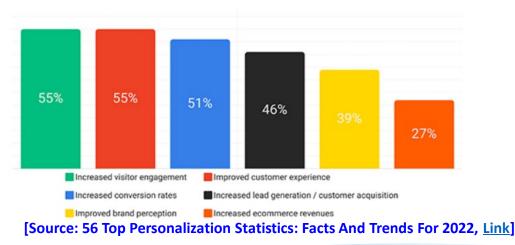


Key Marketing Personalization Statistics

- Companies that use advanced personalization see returns of \$20 per \$1 spent
- Personalization reduces customer acquisition costs by as much as 50%
- According to 55% of marketers, the #1 benefit of personalization is better visitor engagement and customer experiences
- Including personalized subject lines in your emails improves open rates by 26%
- Personalized emails drive 6x more transactions
- 52% of consumers will look elsewhere if an email isn't personalized
- 74% of consumers are frustrated by website content that is not personalized



Main Benefits From Personalization







Reasons for Mass Personalization

How to Make Personalization a Reality?

Scale



Start small. Then scale across your brand's channels at your own pace and deploy personalization where it will drive impact



Speed No need for months of development

Insights

From holistic reporting to actionable recommendations, intelligent insights enable constant improvement

Personalized Experience Digital Platforms



Optimize every interaction

Deliver the right content, at the right time, on the right channel

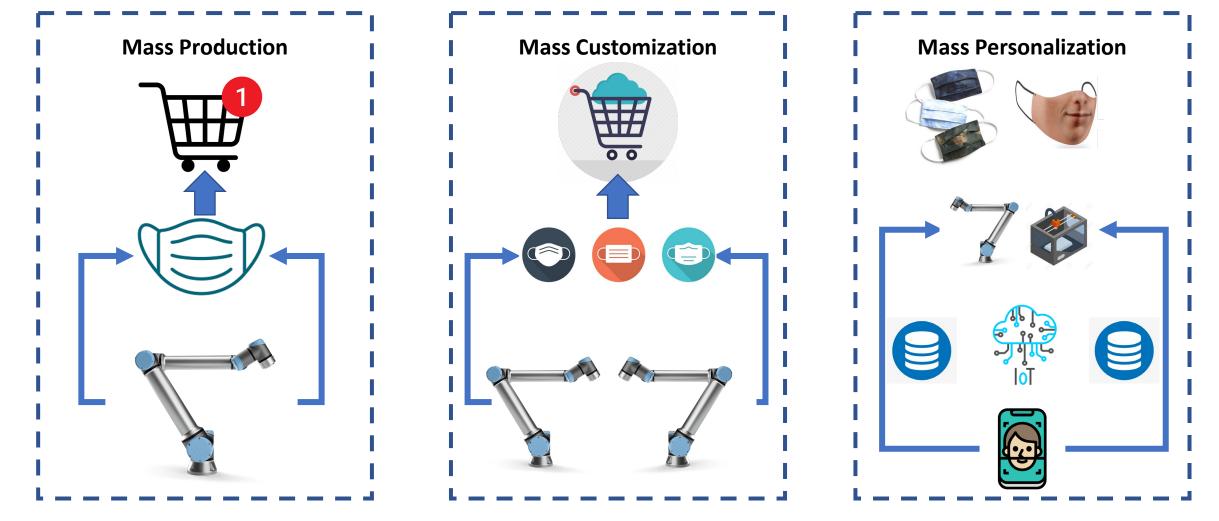
- Know your customers
- Make a good first impression
- Drive KPIs and ROI

*KPIs: Key Performance Indicators ROI: Return of Investment





Mass Personalization Overview



Mass Production, Mass Customization, and Mass Personalization Manufacturing (MPe) Paradigms [Source: Adapted from Aheleroff, 2019]





Mass Customization, the Next Big Trend in eCommerce

- Situation: global acceleration in the adoption of digital trends, such as eCommerce, due to COVID pandemic
- 84% of Americans expect their digital brands to have a seamless experience between physical and online

[Source: The Digital Consumer, Appnovation Research Report, 2021]

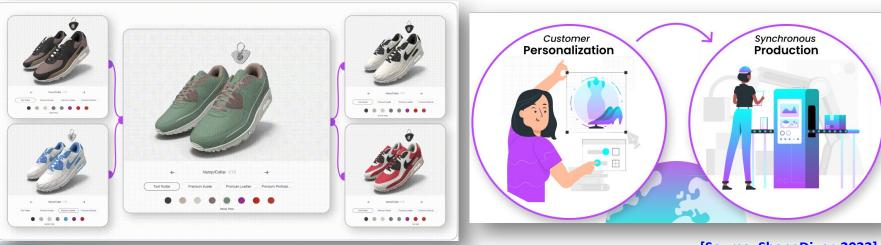


Mass Customization?

What are the next trends and practices that will put early adopters ahead of the competition?

Personalization based on user choice

Synchronous Production



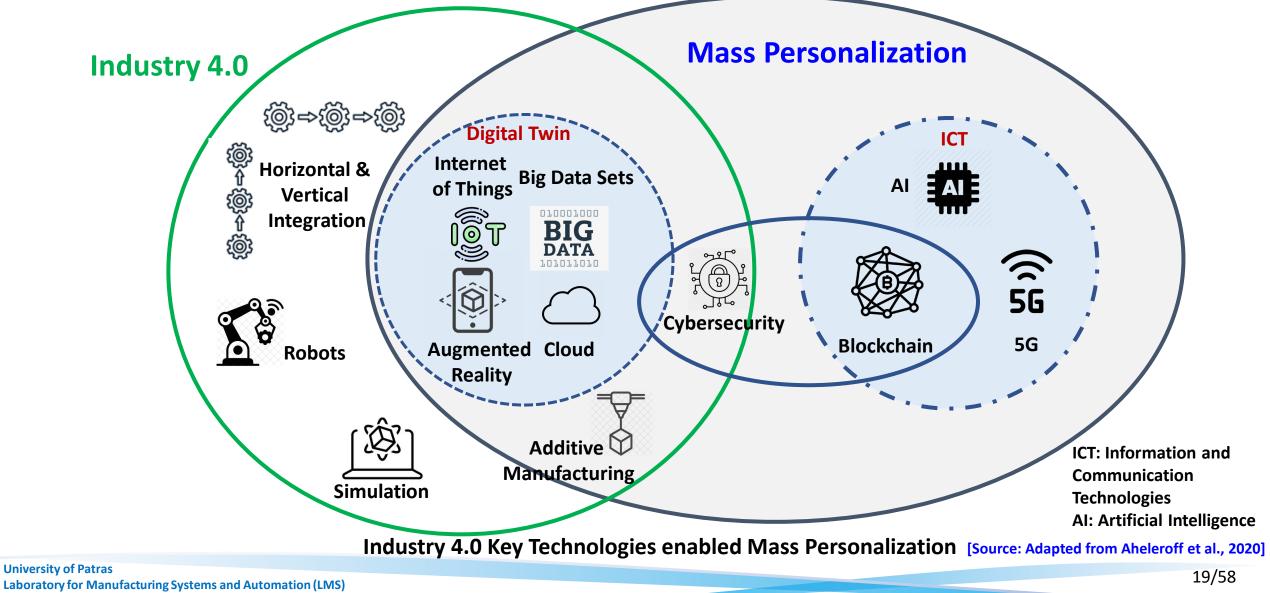
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Mass Personalization



Industry 4.0 Key Technologies enabled Mass Personalization



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Importance of Internet of Things (IoT) in Industry 4.0

- By means of low-cost computing, the cloud, big data sets, analytics, and mobile technologies, physical things can:
 - share and
 - collect data
- with minimal human intervention
- Hyperconnected world: digital systems can record, monitor, and adjust each interaction between connected things. The physical world meets the digital world—and they cooperate

What Technologies have made IoT Possible?

- Access to low-cost, low-power sensor technology
- Connectivity
- Cloud computing platforms
- Machine learning and analytics
- Conversational artificial intelligence (AI)

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Internet of Things (IoT) Standards & Networks

- IPv6 over Low-Power Wireless Personal Area Networks (6LoWPAN)
 - enables any low-power radio to communicate to the internet, including 804.15.4, Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) and Z-Wave (for home automation)
- ZigBee (based on the IEEE 802.15.4 standard)
 - low-power, low-data rate wireless network used mainly in industrial settings
- LiteOS
 - Unix-like operating system (OS) for Wireless Sensor Networks (WSNs)
- OneM2M
 - machine-to-machine service layer that can be embedded in software and hardware to connect devices
- Data Distribution Service (DDS)
 - IoT standard for real-time, scalable and high-performance M2M communication
- Advanced Message Queuing Protocol (AMQP)
 - enables encrypted and interoperable messaging between organizations and applications
- Constrained Application Protocol (CoAP)
 - specifies how low-power, compute-constrained devices can operate in the IoT
- Long Range Wide Area Network (LoRaWAN)
 - support huge networks, such as smart cities, with millions of low-power devices

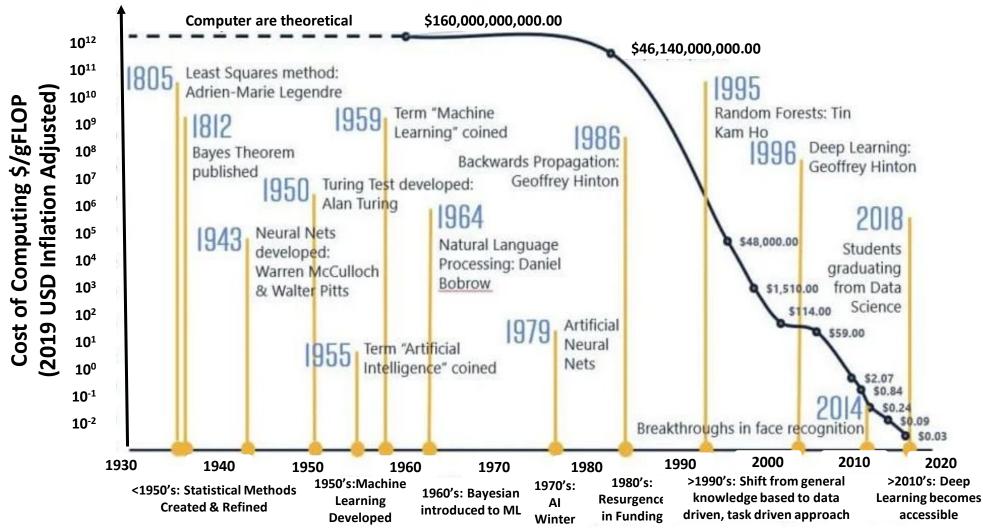




The Rise of AI in Manufacturing



A perspective on the history of Artificial Intelligence (AI)



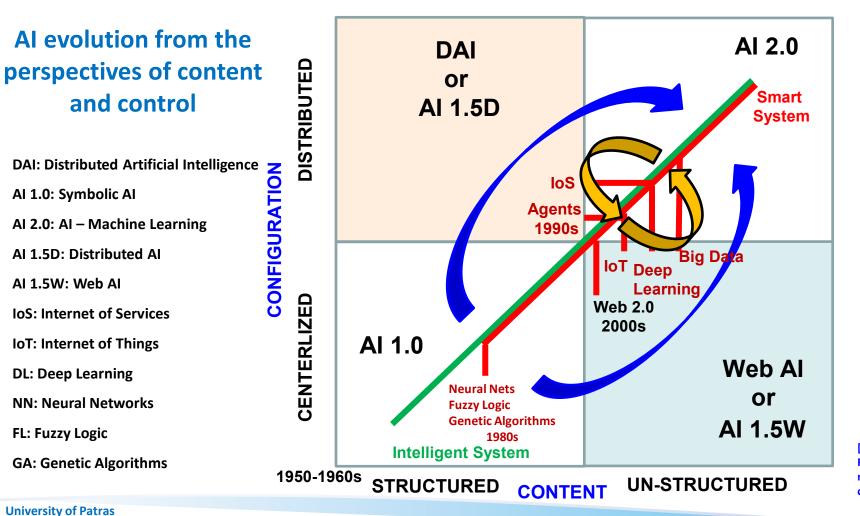
[Source: Adapted from Roy, 2020; Mittal S., 2020]





From Smart Manufacturing (SMFG) towards Intelligent Manufacturing (IMFG)

(?) Key Question: What relationship exists between SMFG and IMFG as well as Big Data and AI? How do they evolve?



DAI (AI 1.5D): evolution of collaborative multi agents (MAs), interoperability in messages and mutually learning from experience

Al 1.0: symbolic approaches characterized by structured contents and centralized control structures

A new version, called Artificial Intelligence 2.0 (AI 2.0)

Web AI (AI 1.5W): transition from 1.0 to 2.0 called 1.5X

[Source: Adapted from Yao, X., Zhou, J., Zhang, J., & Boër, C. R. (2017, September). From intelligent manufacturing to smart manufacturing for industry 4.0 driven by next generation artificial intelligence and further on. In 2017 5th international conference on enterprise systems (ES) (pp. 311-318). IEEE.]



Definitions



SMART MANUFACTURING

- SMFG is the application of advanced smart technologies that enable rapid and stable manufacturing of new products, dynamic response to personalized product demands, and real-time optimization of production and supply chain networks
- SMFG platforms can integrate design, products, operations, and business systems that span shop floor, centers, factories, enterprises, and entire supply chains
 Source: Smart Manufacturing Leadership Coalition. Implementing 21st century smart manufacturing [Internet]. Schaumburg: Control Global; c2004–2020]

INTELLIGENT MANUFACTURING

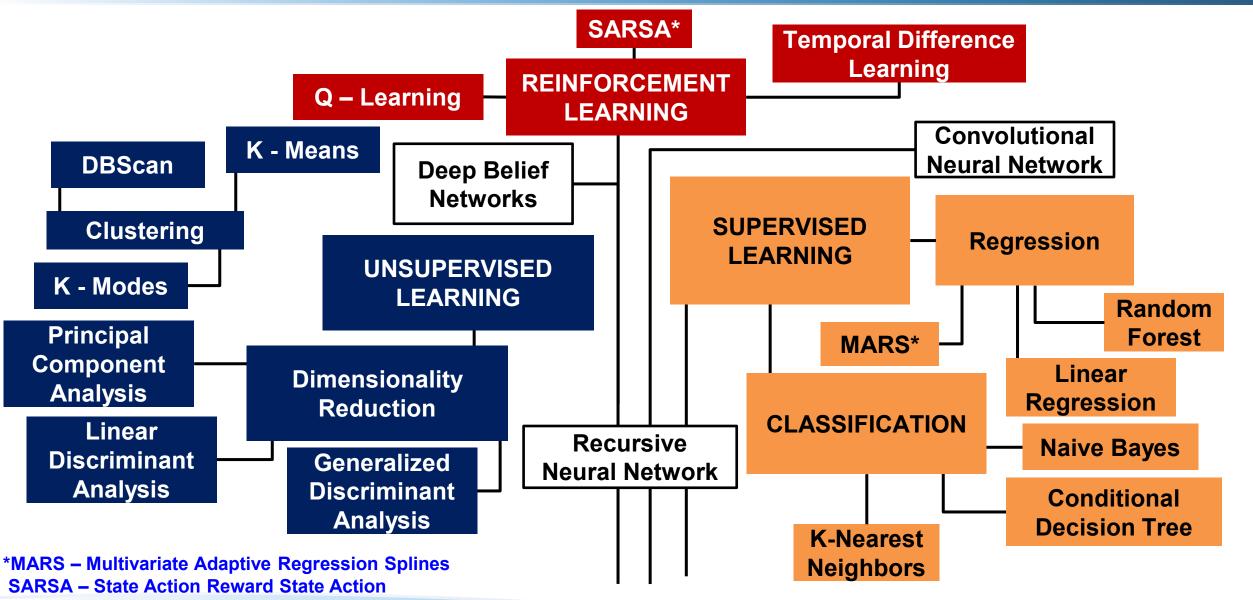
- IMFG automation performs manufacturing functions as if skilled humans are doing the task. IMFG systems utilize AI techniques to minimize human involvement and intervention into manufacturing activities and systems
- From a system integration view, IMFG combines manufacturing processes and systems with different degrees of machine intelligence, including AI-supported systems, AI-integrated systems, and totally Intelligent Manufacturing System (IMS)

[Source: Kusiak A. Computational intelligence in design and manufacturing. New York: John Wiley & Sons; 2000; Oztemel E. Intelligent manufacturing systems. In: Benyoucef L, Grabot B, editors. Artificial intelligence techniques for networked manufacturing enterprises management. London: Springer; 2010. p. 1–41.]



AI Algorithms in Manufacturing





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Challenge 1: The personalization of Mass Products Challenge 3: Compliance with Environmental Standards & Wastage

[Source: Al In Manufacturing, PwC, 2021]

How Can Artificial Intelligence Be Applied in Manufacturing?

- ✓ AI and Machine Learning are giving manufacturers an unprecedented ability to:
 - 1. improve throughput,
 - 2. optimize their supply chain, and
 - 3. accelerate research and development
- ✓ What's Driving the Urgency to Adopt AI?
- 1. High revenue volatility
- 2. Need to continuously find cost savings
- 3. Short production times
- 4. Increased regulation and inspections



- 5. Learning and adaptability on the factory floor
- 6. Manufacturing capacity and supply chain demands
- 7. Increased need for small-batch and/or customized goods

[Source: Renner L. 2020]



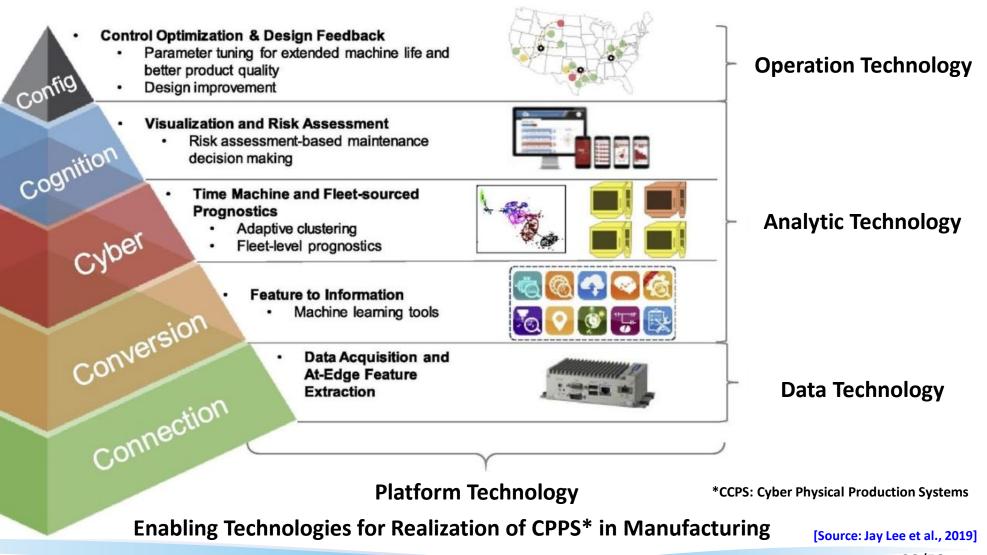




Industrial Artificial Intelligence can empower smart manufacturing



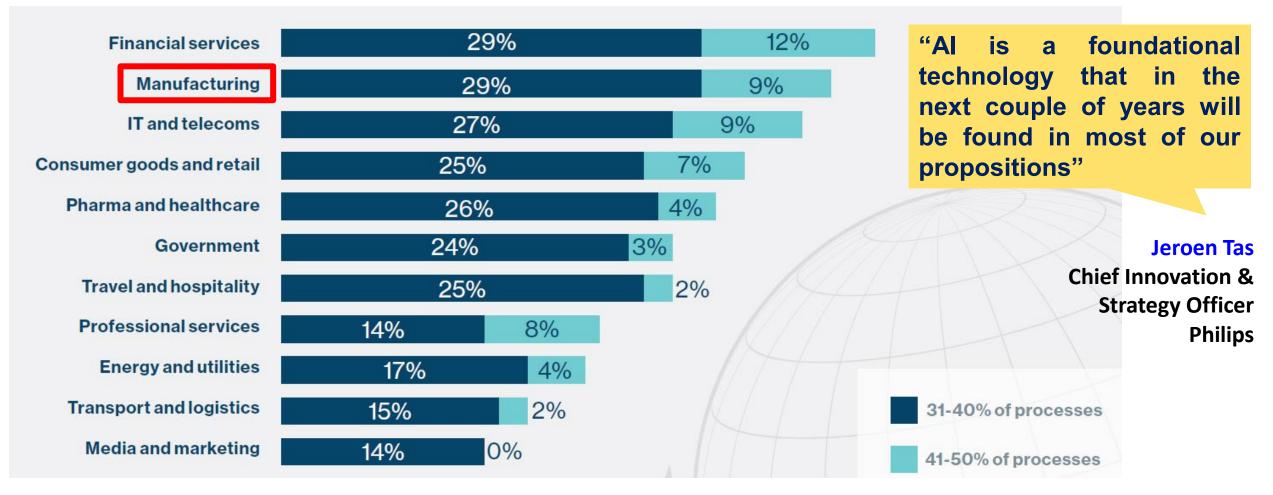
How Can Al Be Applied in Manufacturing?





Making Business Sense of Al





In 2023, approximately what percentage of business processes will use AI? (% of respondents)

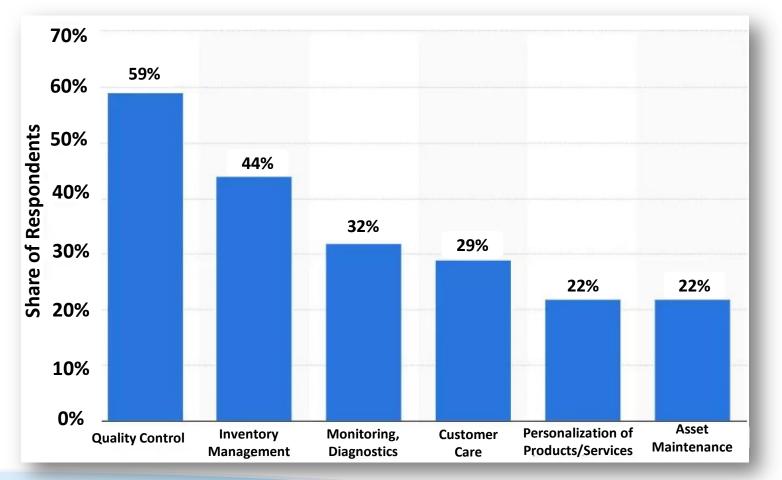
[Source: MIT Technology Review Insights survey, 2020





Why AI is Critical to the Future of the Manufacturing World?

According to MIT Survey (2020) ~60% of manufacturers are using AI to improve product quality, achieve greater speed and visibility across the supply chain, and optimize inventory management

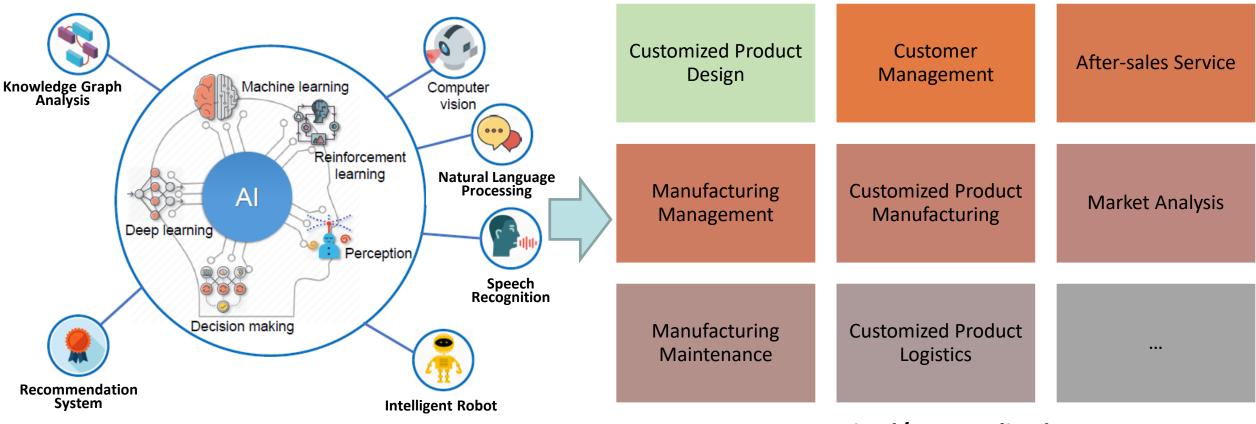


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Overview of AI Technologies in Industry 4.0



Customized/Personalized Manufacturing

[Source: Adapted from Wang L., 2019]





	Human in the Loop	No Human in the
Hardwired/ Specific Systems	Assisted intelligence Al systems that assist humans in making decisions or taking actions. Hard-wired systems that do not learn from their interactions	Automation of manual a tasks, both routine and This does not involve a doing things - it automa tasks.
	Augmented intelligence Al systems that augment human	Autonomous intel Al systems that car

Adaptive **Systems**

decision making and continuously learn from their interactions with humans and the environment

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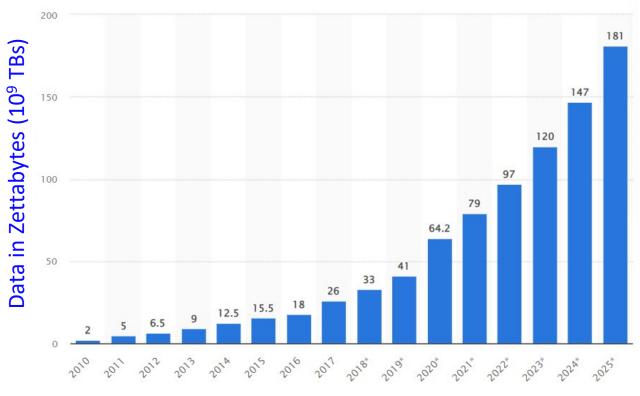
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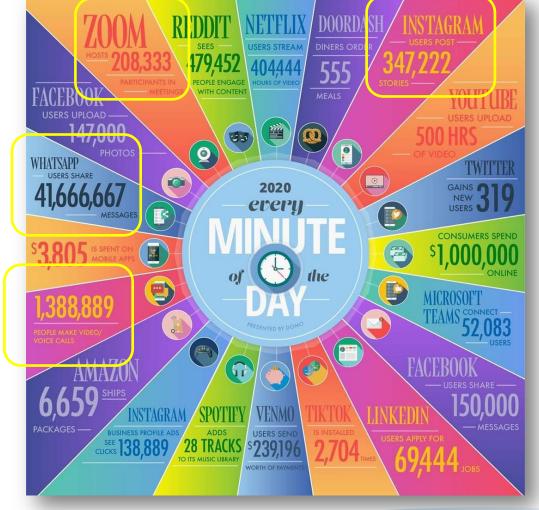




Industry 4.0 – Big Data Sets

Big Data ≡ data that requires more processing resources to PRODUCE VALUE





[Source: https://www.statista.com/statistics/871513/worldwide-data-created//]





AI in Manufacturing: Examples

French food manufacturer Danone Group uses Machine Learning to improve its demand forecast accuracy Results:

- 20% decrease in forecasting errors
- 30% decrease in lost sales
- 50% reduction in demand planners' workload

[Source: Whiteside J., 2021]

Fanuc (Japanese automation company) uses robotic workers to operate its factories roundthe-clock:

- Production of essential components for CNCs and motors
- Operation of all production floor machinery non-stop
- Facilitation of continuous monitoring of all operations

[Source: FANUC]





AI in Manufacturing: Examples

Porsche

Use autonomous guided vehicles (AGVs) to

automate significant portions of automotive manufacturing



The AGVs take vehicle body parts from one processing station to the next, eliminating the need for human intervention and making the facility resilient to disruptions like pandemics

[Source: Porsche/Siemens]

BMW Group uses automated image recognition for:

- Quality checks, inspections, and
- Elimination of pseudo-defects (deviations from target despite no actual faults)

Result: high levels of precision in manufacturing

[Source: BMW Group, 2022]





Personalization Trends for 2022

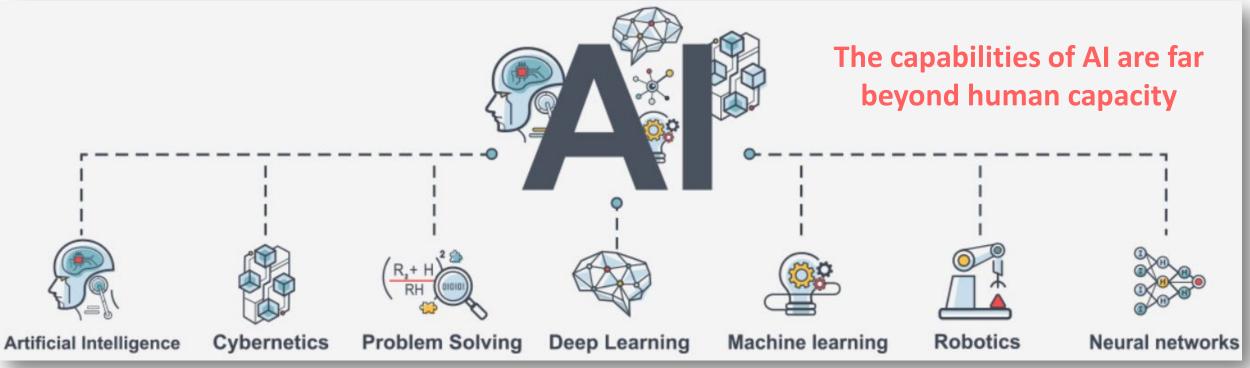
- 1. Increase in 1-1 Experiences
- 2. Personalized Mobile Customer Experiences
 - ✓ the share of mobile commerce in all e-commerce is around 73% by 2021
 - ✓ 79% of smartphone users have made a purchase online using their mobile devices in the last 6 months
- 3. Image Recognition
- 4. AI-Powered Personalization
- 5. Data Privacy and Cookieless Personalization
- 6. Personalizing Longer Customer Journeys
- 7. Increasing Importance of Customer Loyalty
- 8. Omnichannel Personalization
- 9. Anonymous Visitor Personalization







The Basics of AI in Operations



7 BENEFITS OF AI IN MANUFACTURING

- **1. Direct Automation**
- 2. 24/7 Production
- 3. Safety
- 4. Lower Operational Costs

- **5. Greater Efficiency**
- 6. Quality Control
- 7. Quick Decision Making

[Source: King et al., 2019]

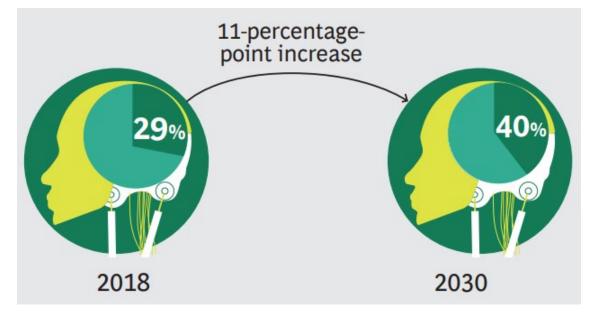


Discussion



AI will become Increasingly Important during the Next Decade

✓ Relevance to Improving Productivity



Al rated as the most important lever for productivity improvement

✓ Impact on Conversion Costs



Reduction in Conversion Costs enabled by Fully Implementing AI in operations

[Source: BCG Global AI Survey, 2018; BCG Analysis]



Discussion



Why AI is Critical to the Future of the Manufacturing World

- Survey results about companies using AI conclude that:
 - Cost Savings
 - Revenue Growth

16% of those surveyed noticed a 10-19% decrease in costs 18% saw a 6-10% increase in overall revenue

[Source: McKinsey 2020, The State of AI]

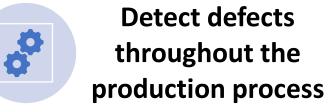
- ✓ AI can improve forecasting accuracy in manufacturing by 10-20%, which translates to a 5% reduction in inventory costs and a 2-3% increase in revenues
- ✓ Benefits of AI in manufacturing include (among others):
 - Predictive maintenance to reduce unplanned downtime
 - Operate near-shore facilities using advanced manufacturing technologies (3D printers, robots) to reduce labor costs and stay resilient despite supply chain disruptions
 - Create optimal, AI-enabled generative design to ensure efficiency and reduce waste

[Source: BCG Global AI Survey, 2018; BCG Analysis]



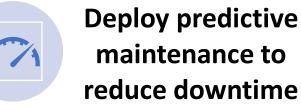


The Factories of the Future Should...



The American Society for Quality estimates that for many organizations this cost of quality is as high as 15-20% of annual sales revenue, or billions of dollars annually for larger manufacturers

[Source: Wariach, Reinbacher, 2021]



Al-based predictive maintenance can boost availability by up to 20% while reducing inspection costs by 25% and annual maintenance fees by up to 10%

[Source: McKinsey & Company, 2021]



Respond to real-time changes in demand across the supply chain

According to McKinsey, 61% of manufacturing executives report decreased costs, and 53% report increased revenues as a direct result of introducing AI in the supply chain. Further, more than one-third suggested a total revenue bounce of more than 5%

[Source: McKinsey & Company, 2019]



Validate whether intricate goods like microchips have been perfectly produced

According to a McKinsey study, the application of AI/ML use cases delivers the most value—about 40% in optimizing semiconductor manufacturing efficiencies. These use cases significantly improve the throughput of a Fabrication Plant (Fab). With consistent application, a Fab can expect cost-cutting to the range of 17%

[Source: McKinsey & Company, 2021]

Reduce costs of small-batch or single-run goods, enabling greater

customization

By 2020, 85% of customer interaction in retail will be managed by AI, according to Gartner

[Source: Arthur R., 2017]



Improve employee satisfaction by shifting mundane tasks to machines

29% of US employees are engaged with their work and feel fulfilled by their duties, while another report states that 83% of US workers believe they could be more constructive if they had better productivity monitoring software to do so [Source: Enlear Academy, 2021]





AI in Smart Factory Operations

✓ AI technologies have several applications in manufacturing operations:



Machine Vision

Sensing the production environment through visual, x-ray, or laser signals—for example, using a camera to classify parts and products



Speech Recognition

Processing speech and other acoustic signals—for example, using a virtual assistant similar to Alexa or Siri to process comments from operators about quality issues



Natural-Language Processing

Parsing text and interpreting its most probable meaning—for example, creating summaries from different performance reports



Information Processing

Extracting knowledge from unstructured text and retrieving answers to queries for example, by searching in productionrelated text reports





AI in Smart Factory Operations

✓ AI technologies have several applications in manufacturing operations:

Learning from Data



Predicting or classifying values on the basis of empirical production-related data—for example, using historical data generated by machines and processes to predict events



Speech Generation

Communicating with humans via written text or acoustic speech—for example, reading instructions aloud

Planning and Exploring

Choosing a sequence of actions that maximizes a specified goal for example, enabling an automated guided vehicle (AGV) to identify its best next movement

Handling and Control



E,

Manipulating physical objects—for example, enabling robots to pick unsorted parts from a storage bin without requiring specific training

Navigation and

Movement



Maneuvering through physical environments—for example, enabling an AGV to move and optimize its routes autonomously within a factory

Supply Chain Optimization



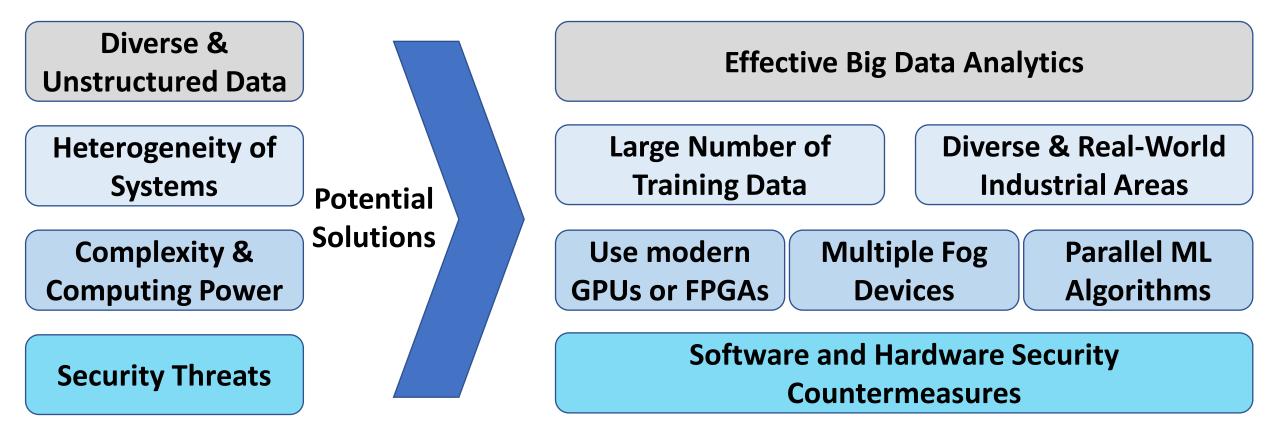
Today's supply chains are super complex networks to manage, with thousands of parts and hundreds of locations. With machine learning algorithms, manufacturers can define the optimized supply chain solution for all their products.



Discussion



Open Issues & Potential Solutions in AI through Machine Learning



GPU: Graphical User Interface FPGA: Field-programmable gate array ML: Machine Learning

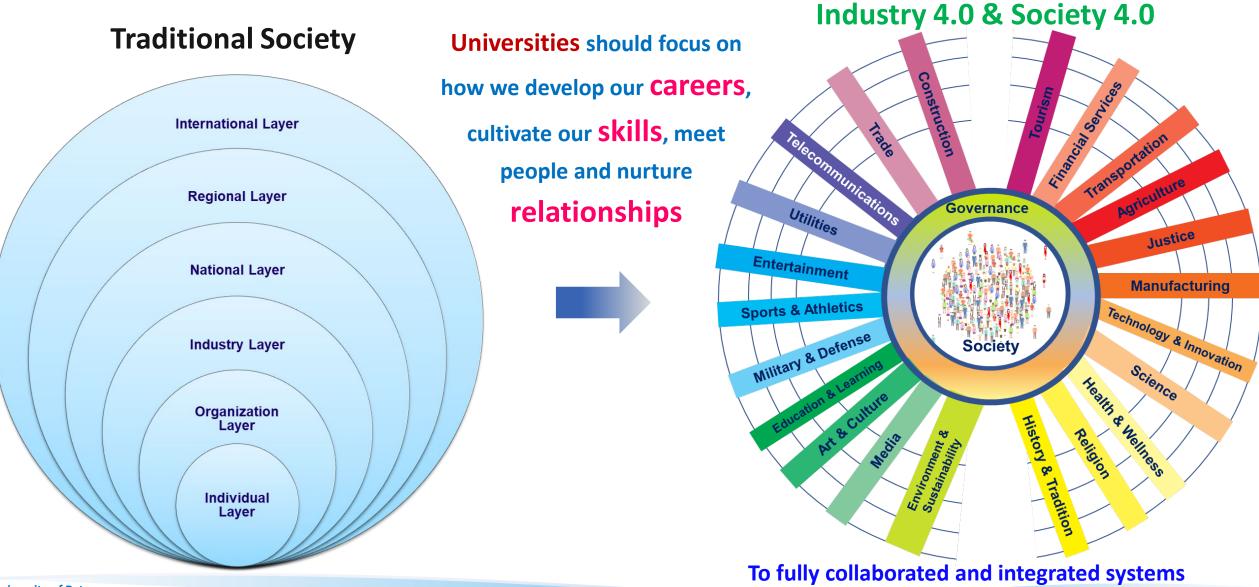
Open issues and potential solutions towards tackling faults in Industry 4.0 through ML

[Source: Angelopoulos et al., 2019]



Looking Ahead – Society 4.0





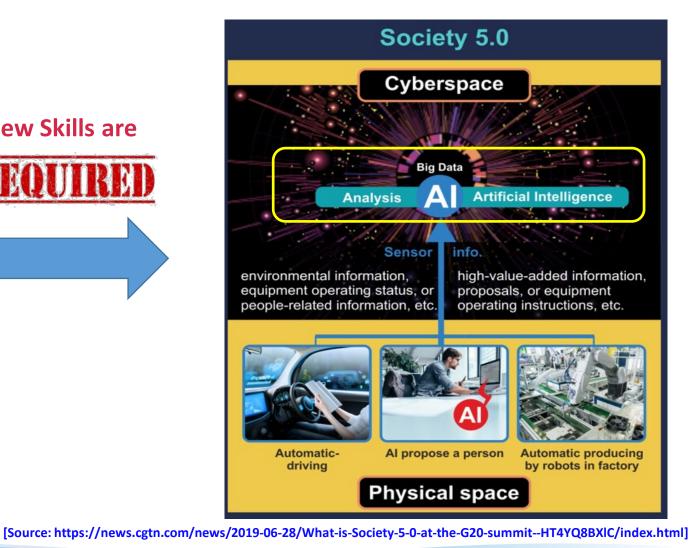


New Skills are



Society 5.0 – Digital Platforms for Value Creation



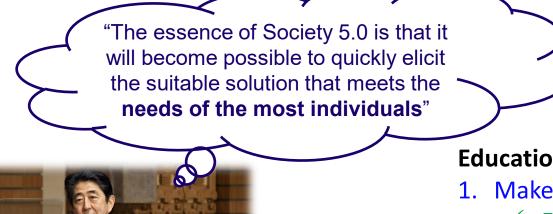






Enablers for Integration of Society 5.0

□ Japanese students may soon be saying **goodbye to traditional divisions** between grades and subjects in a new **focus on human skills to get the most out of technology**







[Japan's Prime Minister Shinzo Abe at the International Conference of the Future of Asia in 2017]

Educational Approaches

- 1. Make grade progression more **flexible**
 - ✓ Ensure there are NO GAPS IN UNDERSTANDING
- 2. Removing the barriers between **subjects** and **discipline**
 - Education system in which subjects like math, data science and programming are BASIC REQUIREMENTS, as are subjects such as philosophy and languages

[Source: https://foreignpolicy.com/sponsored/how-japan-is-preparing-its-students-for-society-5-0/.]





Looking Ahead: Industry 5.0 – Digital Platforms for Value Creation

Industry 5.0 – European Commission



- ✓ Aims beyond efficiency and productivity as the sole goals, and reinforces the role and the contribution of Industry to Society
- ✓ It complements the existing "Industry 4.0" approach by specifically putting Research and Innovation at the service of the transition to a Sustainable, Human-Centric and Resilient European Industry

Why Industry 5.0



✓ It empowers Technicians, as well as addresses the evolving skills and training needs of employees. It increases the competitiveness of industry and helps attract the best talents

[Source: European Commission (2020https://ec.europa.eu/info/research-and-innovation/research-area/industrial-research-and-innovation/industry-50_en#publications]





Looking Ahead: Industry 5.0 – Digital Platforms for Value Creation

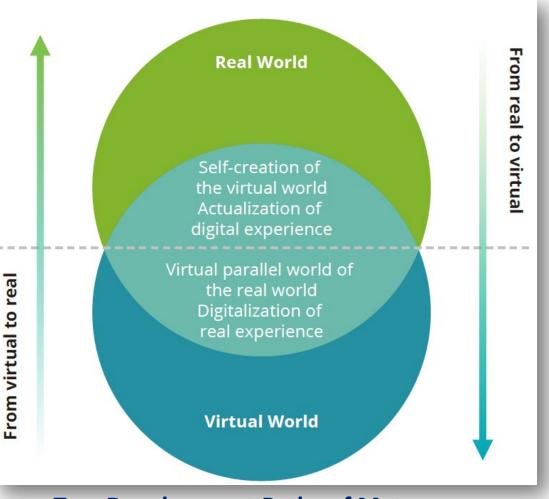






Definition

- ✓ "The concept of a fully immersive virtual world where people gather to socialize, play, and work"
- ✓ It is a simulated digital environment that combines Augmented Reality (AR), Virtual Reality (VR), Blockchain, and Social Media principles to create areas for rich user interaction that imitate the real world [Laeeq K., 2022]
- ✓ "A virtual environment where you can present yourself with people in digital spaces. You can kind of think of this as an embodied Internet that you're inside of, rather than just looking at" [Zuckerberg, Meta CEO]



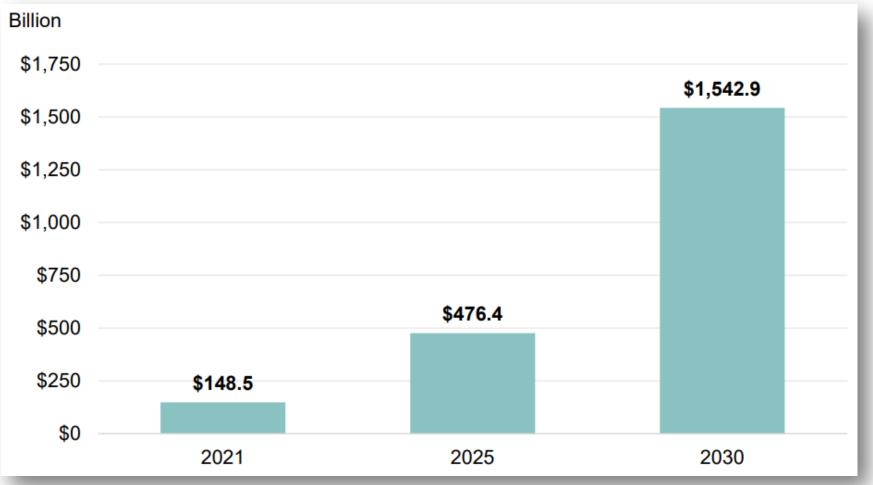
Two Development Paths of Metaverse

[Source: Deloitte Research and analysis, Global XR industry insight | Metaverse: unlocking imagination and embracing reality]





Market Size, 2021 - 2030



[Source: PWC, "To work for everyone, the Metaverse must be decentralized", Cointelegraph, November 2021]





The Seven Layers of the Metaverse



[Source: Deloitte Research and analysis, Global XR industry insight | Metaverse: unlocking imagination and embracing reality]





Which are the Key Principles in the Metaverse?



Decentralized

Community-driven protocols, without central oversight and governance



Interconnected & Interoperable

Open standards enable real-time access to shared virtual worlds for unlimited users



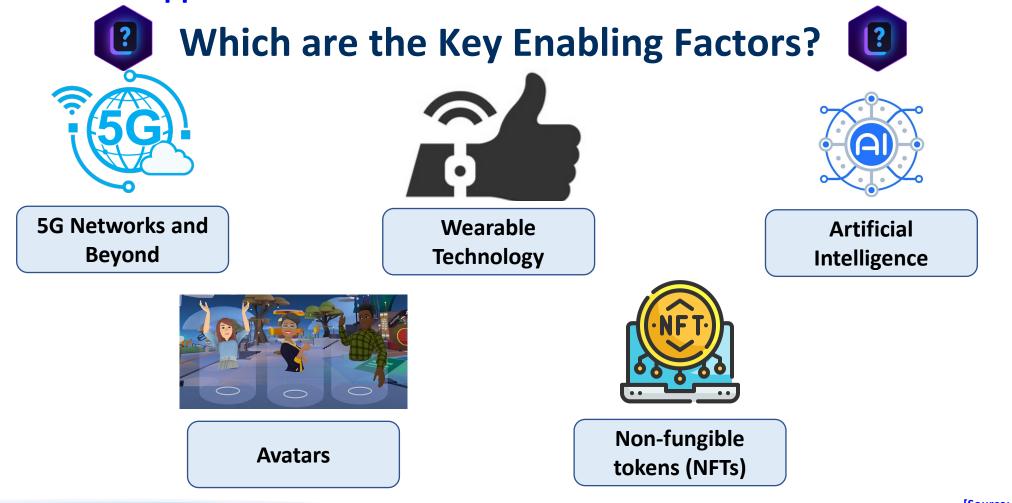
Safe & Trustworthy

Ensuring safety, cybersecurity and data privacy from the start and throughout the metaverse





Opportunities and Applications



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Conclusion

□ It is time to get personalized!

- Brands need to have the right personalization tool that is easy to use and comprehensive
- The trend towards personalization is not new, but it's becoming an increasingly important part of businesses
- As **AI progresses** and **models improve**, enterprises are building the unreal world
- Elevating **authenticity** within the organizations is very important
- Authenticity is the compass and the framework that will guide the marketplace to use AI in a genuine
 way across industries, use cases, and time, by considering provenance, policy, people, and purpose
- It will unlock new attitudes towards and experiences with AI, unleashing the benefits of the unreal world



Conclusion



AI as a building block of a resilient post-pandemic world

All kinds of organizations are looking ahead to build resilient systems that can better withstand future disruptions such as pandemics, natural disasters, cyberthreats, and other destabilizing scenarios

The Pandemic Battle at hand

- "IBM" and "The Weather Company", has released the Weather Channel Interactive Incidents Map, which presents the latest COVID-19 data at the local level
 - IBM Cognos: IBM Global COVID-19 Statistics Dashboard Robust tool for deeper analysis

Aiding overwhelmed help desks

- IBM trained Watson Assistant on trusted information from the CDC and other sources and offered it at no cost for at least 90 days to governments, businesses, healthcare and academic organizations
 - Tool: Natural Language Processing (NLP)

Repairing broken supply chains

- > Smarter supply chains powered by AI can be built for resilience and flexibility during such disruptions
- > Al-infused supply chain is animated by sensors, RFID tags, actuators, GPS, news media data, and more
 - Tool: Machine Learning









Questions?

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