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# Hvorfor investerer SDU mere end 100 millioner i Industry 4.0?

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# Lindoe shipyard was the breeding ground

- Since mid 1980s the University has collaborated with industry on applied robotics applications and research
  - Manufacturing as the primary domain from the very beginning, but today also in many other domains
- 1997: Maersk Mc-Kinney Moller Institute established
- Research supporting Robotics: Mathematics, software, AI, computer science, electronics, drones, mechanical etc.
- Intelligent autonomous systems and simplifying the use of robotics



# EU's strongest cluster of robotics

Number of Regional innovation centres part of EU projects

Status as of April 2017

#### **Odense: Europe's Gateway to Robotics**

If you walk in the world of robotics, the city of Odense, Denmark, should definitely be on your itinerary.

Robotics Business Review, 2016

140+ Companies 4,000 jobs in the robotics sector





#### SMART REGIONS WITH SMART ROBOTS

#### **Robotics Clusters in the** EU Regions and Beyond

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#### www.eu-robotics.net/sparc

## **Spin-outs - examples**

- Scape Technologies A/S (2004) •
- Universal Robots (2006) •
- MIR (2013) •
- Kubo (2015) •
- Smooth Robotics (2016) •
- Enabled Robotics (2016) •







# Traditional robot automation complex, but repetitive



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#### Trend in robotic automation Non-repetitive and (somewhat) complex



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#### Programming and testing in virtual environments

Example from one European projects: Headlight assembly for automotive







#### What's next?



## Økosystem analyse fra Region Syd vedr. Robot klyngen

Anbefalinger:

- 1. Styrket fokus på at sikre tilstrækkelig og kvalificeret arbejdskraft
- 2. Fokus på at sikre kapital til fortsat vækst i klyngen
- 3. Øget samarbejde om test og demonstration af robotløsninger
- 4. Afsøgning af nye anvendelsesmuligheder og -områder
- 5. Styrkelse af kobling til videnmiljøer inden for robotteknologi
- 6. Afdækning af muligheder for fremtidig organisering
- 7. Lobby for national robotstrateg



# Industry 4.0 @ SDU

- Robotics and automation companies are growing exponentially
- SDU wants to continue to support companies with access to knowledge, innovation and new staff members
- Support the need of a full scale demonstration centre and world-class research infrastructure
- Building on the core competences of robotics and automation



#### **SDU I4.0 Initiative** Digital Autonomous Production

- Investing more than 100 million kr (new money)
  - A 800 m<sup>2</sup> basement full of state-of-art technologies
- Students, researcher and industry collaborate to address the challenges of Industry 4.0
  - End-to-end engineering Digitalized co-development of product and production system (Digital Twins)
  - **Personalized production** Highly customizable production "on-demand", shorter product cycles
  - **Reconfigurable automation** Highly modular, highly reconfigurable robotic cell system
  - **Plug & Produce** Comprehensive control scheme (including simulation and VR/AR)
  - Flexible logistics Flexible material transport between various sections and cells
  - Horizontal and vertical integration
  - From centralized to de-centralized control



# Focus of the I4.0 Lab

**Restricting the lab to core topics** 



# **Core topics of the I4.0 Lab**

**Our definition : Industry 4.0 = Automation + Digitalization** 

- Smart products and production
- Cyber Physical Systems, IOT (sensors network cloud)
- Connectivity/transparency/knowledge sharing/data analytics
- Glocalization (think global act local)
- VR/AR
- Simulation/digital twins (products and production)
- Operator 4.0 operator of the future
- Collaborative mobile/industrial robots
- Autonomous Robots next generations of robots
- Intelligent and integrated control systems

# **Core technologies in the I4.0 Lab**

See I4.0 Lab call

- Flexible robot cells
- Collaborative interaction with robots
- Conveyor system and software for flexible control
- OPC-UA integration architecture
- Cloud integration
- Multi-agent based manufacturing support
- Digital Twins support and components
- Data Science support of production data
- Predictive maintenance support
- AR and VR for training, design and inspection
- ICT security issues
- Data model abstractions



# **Product/production system lifecycle**

Phases of design, implementation and operation in the I4.0 Lab



ERP, PDM, assembly, warehousing, ...

# **Digital Twins**

Digital Twins link the physical and virtual world to the information backbone



#### **SDU I4.0 Initiative**



#### **Multi-agent based approach**

- Originates from research of Distributed Artificial Intelligence
  - What is an agent?
    - An autonomous unit (e.g. robot or software system)
    - Communicative skills for collaboration and negotiation with other agents
    - Reactive and pro-active behaviours to pursue design objectives
  - Pros
    - Handling complexity
    - Flexibility
    - Robustness
    - High-level abstract communication languages (ontologies)
    - Simple behaviour based implementation
  - Cons
    - Indeterminism of the solution
- A natural approach to model elements of a production system





#### **Digital production and design**

- AR and VR technologies
  - Supporting digital design processes
  - Interaction with production and Quality Control
  - Training and maintenance task (paperless)
- Setting up a VR-lab
  - Supporting visualization and interaction between humans and realistic kinematic models



# **Soft Robotics Center**

- Usually robots are considering as rigid-body dynamics
  - The classis 6 axis robot arm
- Soft robotics provides
  - new opportunities for robotics applications in HealthCare, personal assistance and collaborative robotics
  - new flexible grasping / handling options for a industry 4.0
    environment
- Future robotics
  - Maintain our leading research position with robotics



# Collaboration and co-research with industry

- Working closely together with partners and sponsors
  - Student projects
  - Research projects
  - Case studies
  - Consultancy and commercial activities
- A sandbox for Industry 4.0 activities and prototyping new production facilities
- An open infrastructure that invite everybody at SDU to join and explore the opportunities



#### Et eksempel fra SDU I4.0 Lab



# World Robot Summit 2018

October 17-21, 2018 Tokyo Big Sight

World Robot Expo + World Robot Challenge:

- Industrial Robotics
- Service Robotics
- Disaster Robotics
- Junior



# **Industrial Assembly Challenge**

Four tasks on four days:

- Taskboard (Robot control)
- Kitting (Computer vision)
- Assembly (both)
- Assembly+ (both)



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#### Task 1 - Taskboard



#### Task 2 - Kitting



#### Task 3&4 - Assembly



# Our system

- 2x Universal Robots UR10e
- 1x Technicon FlexCell
- 2x grippers
- 1x screwdriver with exchangeable bits
- Robot control over URScript
- Component control over OPC-UA
- General control over ROS
- Industrial safety standards



