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# ***Digital Twin for Maintenance Management***

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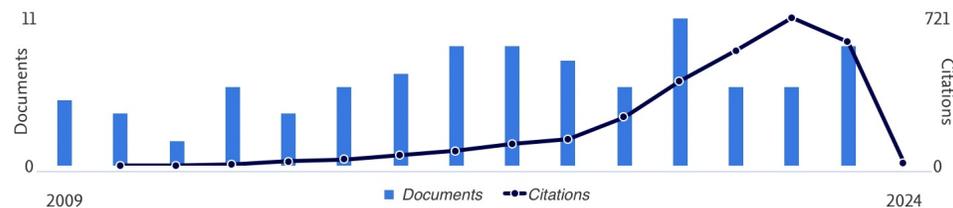
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## Milano campus





- Years 2000: course of Modelling of production and logistic systems for Industrial/Management Engineering
- 2016: first course at Industrial/Management Engineering with the use of Matlab (Matlab/Simulink)

- 2017:

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## A Review of the Roles of Digital Twin in CPS-based Production Systems ☆

[Elisa Negri](#)  , [Luca Fumagalli](#), [Marco Macchi](#)

- 2020: Digital Twin Course for «Summer School» at Universidad de Los Andes (Colombia)
- 2022: Digital Twin Game at POLIMI Graduate School of Management for MBA courses

# EVIDENCES OBSERVED IN PAST AND RECENT YEARS



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## What is Maintenance?

Maintenance is the dirty job!

Maintenance is the uncomfortable job!

Maintenance is something related to bad products / equipment only!

Maintenance means disasters!

Maintenance is only a cost!

Maintenance is something to be left to technicians!

Maintenance is not important from a management point of view!



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## What is Maintenance?

**BUT:**

Perfection does not exist!

Nothing is forever!

Everything must be maintained!

Good maintenance means safety, quality, cost reduction, competitiveness, environmental care, ..

Maintenance can be a strategic asset!

Maintenance helps sustainability!



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## Strategic importance of maintenance in manufacturing

Maintenance has slowly progressed towards higher recognition as a **source of value** for production systems, and a contributor to company's **productivity** and **profitability**. Changes in perception of maintenance are evident in the most recent years:

- Moving away from cost-centric models for maintenance planning that can lead to sub-optimal maintenance strategies;
- Need to quantify maintenance contribution to the organization's profitability and overall performance;
- Evidence of impacts on quality, efficiency and effectiveness of operations, thus leading to contribution to profitability of a manufacturing company.

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Looking at the past achievements ...

- 1900 Handicraft production > Corrective maintenance
- 1920 Mass production > Preventive maintenance
- 1960 Industrial development > Diagnostics techniques  Second world war/logistics support  
Apollo program / FMECA
- 1970 JIT-TQM > Productive maintenance/TPM
- 1980 Lean production > Productive maintenance/TPM  RCM program development
- 1980-90 Information systems in enterprises > CMMS
- 1990 Virtual enterprise > [Focus on core competences & ICT →] tele-maintenance
- 2000 Globalization > Outsourcing & maintenance engineering

- Maintenance initially conceived as a **technical function**; Maintenance lately transformed into an **engineering and management function**;
- **ICT** initially introduced **for management support** in general (CMMS), and lately enhanced **for service-support** (remote/tele-maintenance).

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- 2000 Globalization > Outsourcing & maintenance engineering
- 2010+ Digitalization > PHM (Prognostics & Health Management)

- **Digitalization** is associated with transformative concepts and methods that are widely leading to impacts in business and society.
- In the manufacturing context, **maintenance** is on top of the agenda for future developments in **digital applications** (digital maintenance, digital service).

# Digitalization for modern maintenance: maintenance related concepts and their evolutionary path



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ABSTRACT

The implementation of Industry 4.0-like solutions for the maintenance of production assets is a relevant topic in the mainstream for researchers and industries around the world. As a matter of facts, the technology-based transformation of maintenance has been germinated since several years. In fact, the evolution of maintenance along with the development of the information and communication technologies has been studied in the literature since early 2000, and concepts like e-maintenance and intelligent maintenance have been largely addressed. Nowadays, smart maintenance and maintenance 4.0 concepts are getting popular in the Industry 4.0-based literature. While e-maintenance, intelligent maintenance, smart maintenance and maintenance 4.0 are similar concepts, they are not identical. From an evolutionary perspective, there has been little consideration on whether the definition, connotation, and technical development of the concepts are consistent in the literature. To address this gap, the work performs a qualitative and quantitative investigation of the scientific literature to clarify the relationship among the different maintenance concepts. A bibliometric analysis of publication sources, annual publication numbers, keywords frequency, and top regions of research and development establishes the scope and trends of the currently presented research. Critical topics discussed include the evolutionary path of the different concepts. Moreover, the evidence collected through a case study involving eight production companies are discussed to report the perspective of industry about advanced maintenance, may it be defined 4.0, smart, intelligent or e-maintenance. Finally, a definition of the advanced maintenance concept is given, proposed as an integral approach inheriting the knowledge from past developments of e-maintenance and intelligent maintenance concepts and more recent developments including smart maintenance and maintenance 4.0.

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## Highlights

- Investigation of the relationship among the different **maintenance related concepts** and their **evolutionary path**.
- We aim to define the concept of **advanced maintenance**, based on the state of the art of research and empirical evidence of practices.
- Research methods are systematic literature review, bibliometric analysis and multiple case study involving production companies.
- Advanced Maintenance is recognized as an approach **inheriting the knowledge from past developments of maintenance related concepts**.

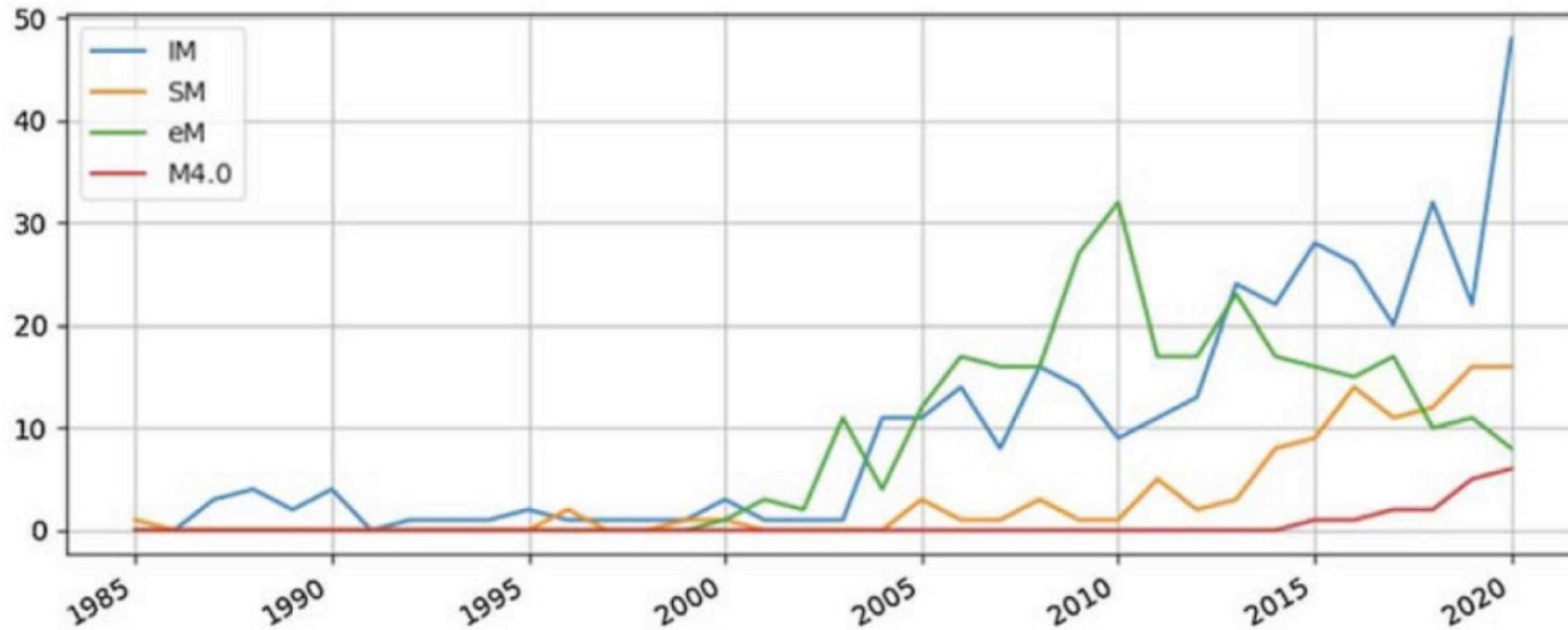
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Looking at the past achievements ...



- Intelligent Maintenance (IM)
- E-maintenance (eM)
- Smart Maintenance (SM)
- Maintenance 4.0 (M4.0)

Trend of different concepts: Annual publication volume (Scopus data base, period 1970-2020)

Roda, I., Macchi, M. Maintenance concepts evolution: a comparative review towards Advanced Maintenance conceptualization. Computers in Industry, Vol. 133, December 2021.

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Total	Phase I 1985–2000	Phase II 2001–2010	Phase III 2011–2015	Phase IV 2016–2020
Keywords	Analytic Hierarchy Process, Fuzzy Logic, Information Systems, Decision Support Systems	Condition Monitoring, Diagnostics, Web Services, Prognostics	Fault Diagnosis, Condition Monitoring, Knowledge Management, Fault Detection	Industry 4.0, Internet of Things, Fault Diagnosis, Machine Learning
Concepts Percentage	76 % <b>IM</b> 19 % SM 5%	37 % IM 4 % SM 59 % <b>eM</b>	45 % <b>IM</b> 13 % SM 41 % <b>eM</b> 1 % M4.0	51 % <b>IM</b> 23 % SM 21 % eM 5 % M4.0
Paper number in Scopus	21 papers (Labib et al., 1998)	236 papers (Lee et al., 2006)	216 papers (Lee et al., 2015)	290 papers (Selcuk, 2017)
High Citation Papers	(Deb et al., 1997) (Kobbacy et al., 1995)	(Muller et al., 2008) (Tsang, 2002)	(Kumar et al., 2013) (Chen et al., 2011)	(Berredjem and Benidir, 2018) (Guillén et al., 2016a)

Different phases in the evolution of advanced maintenance concepts

- The evolution shows, since its early stage, that **decisional support and information systems** are emergent needs for advances in maintenance management.
- In the evolution, it is evident that the **maintenance practice** come along with the development of **ICT as enabler of advanced maintenance concepts**.

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## Maintenance is evolving due to the double-sided influence of digitalisation and Asset Management (AM).

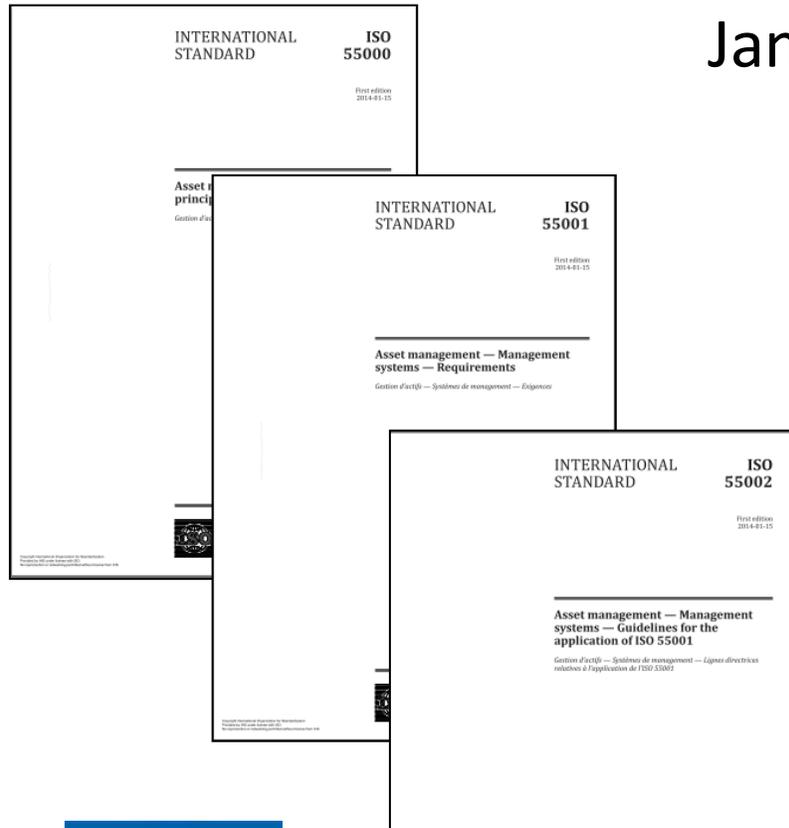
- **digitalisation** is pushing maintenance to adopt Industry 4.0-like solutions towards diagnostic and predictive solutions for data-driven design improvements and services.
- the **Asset Management paradigm** requires maintenance to broaden its scope including strategy, risk management, safety and environment, and human factors towards value generation from assets.

Polenghi, A., Roda, I., Macchi, M., & Pozzetti, A. (2021). A methodology to boost data-driven decision-making process for a modern maintenance practice. *Production Planning & Control*, 1-17.

# EVIDENCES OBSERVED IN PAST AND RECENT YEARS



January 2014: Release of the **ISO 5500x** body of standards



- **ISO 55000:** Overview on AM and terms and definitions
- **ISO 55001:** Requirements for an AM system
- **ISO 55002:** Guidelines for implementing ISO 55001



**ASSET MANAGEMENT:** “The coordinated activities of an organization to realize value from assets” (ISO 55000, 2014)

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A lot of challenges are open for lifecycle management of industrial assets, such as ...

- **Cyber-physical assets & Digital Twins of physical assets** are still in a (very) early stage development; more experiences and use cases will be required, aimed to support the whole spectrum of relevant decisions in the asset-control activities.
- **Reliability & condition-based maintenance modelling** methodologies / methods should take advantage of the **new capabilities** made available by the Cyber-physical assets and Digital Twins, to extend their potential for decision support.



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# Digital Twin

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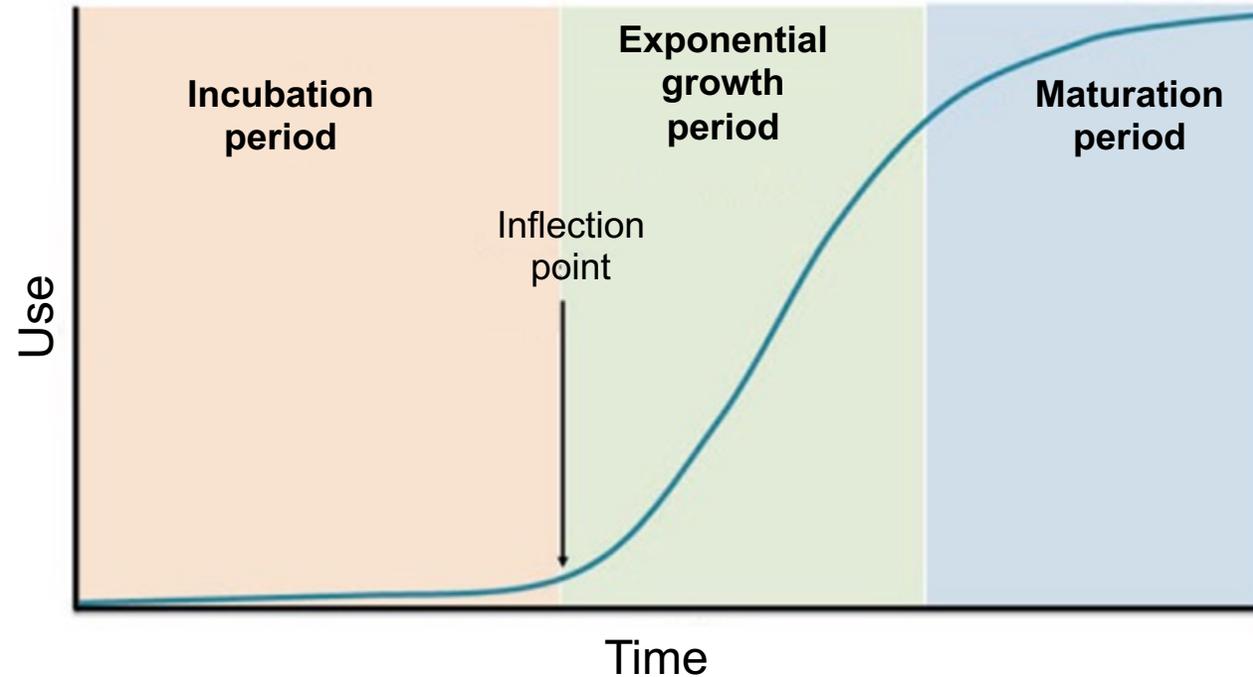
# Another commercial invention?



The "concept" of **modeling a physical object through software** is present in various application domains. Various modeling tools and best practices have supported this approach long before the term "digital twin" became popular.

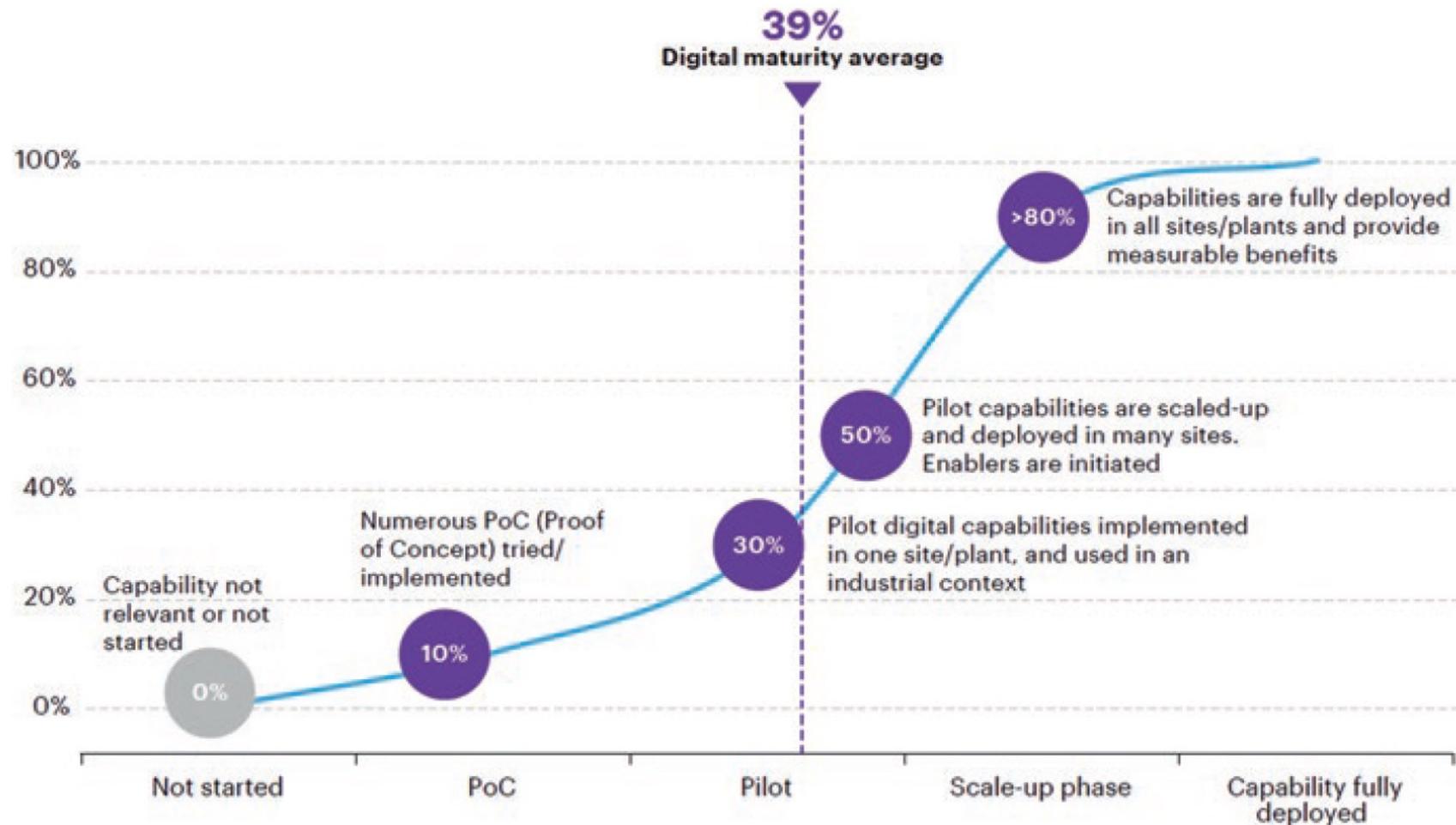
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Schmitt, L., & Copps, D. (2023). The Business of Digital Twins. In *The Digital Twin* (pp. 21-63). Cham: Springer International Publishing.

# Digital Maturity Index



Research study conducted by Accenture that includes 600 manufacturing companies from around the world

Audit on 40 key digital capabilities for operations

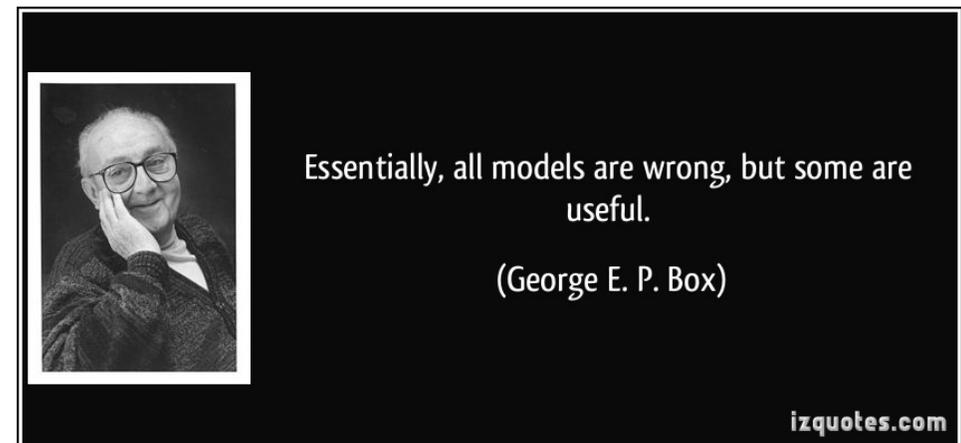
# Models vs experimentation: approximations



All physical principles and their mathematical expressions applied to real-world situations are **approximations** of real behavior.

These approximations can, in individual cases, be good, fair or poor, but there is always some discrepancy between the **modeled and real behavior**.

Experiments are run on the real system and, when properly designed and executed, reveal the true behavior



# Models vs experimentation: times and costs



Experimentation, by definition, requires an investment in equipment suitable for the proposed study, plus laboratory space to host the experiment

However, modern simulation has an ever-higher cost.



# Examples of digital twins



Physical twin to  
implement “**what-if**”  
**scenarios** through  
experimentation



# Examples of digital twins



physical object



Sensors



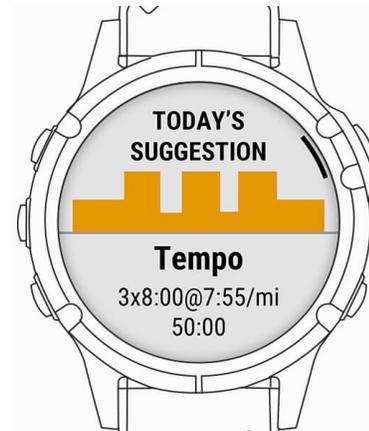
digital object



recommendations



- GPS
- Heart rate
- Blood oxygen saturation
- Accelerometer
- Thermometer
- Gyroscope
- Compass
- barometric altimeter

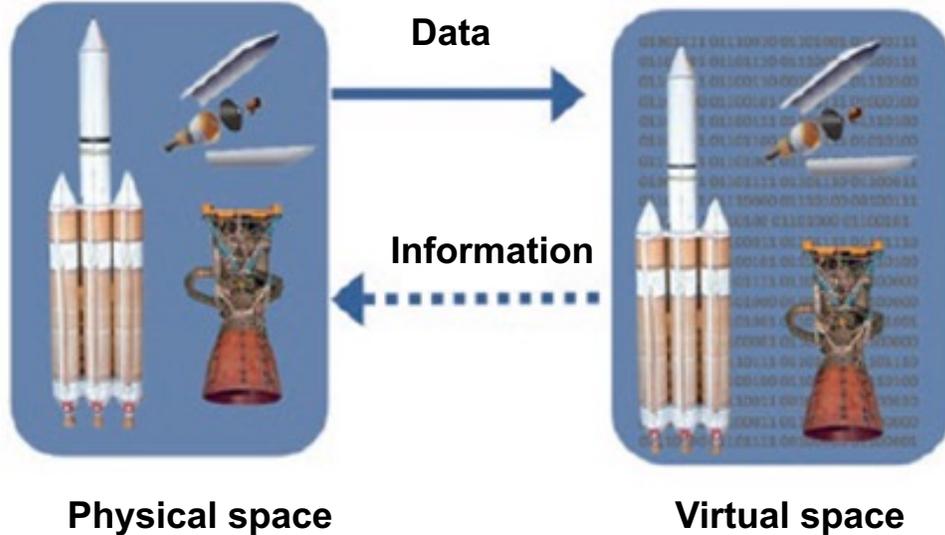


Recommendations  
based on **historical data and intelligent algorithms**

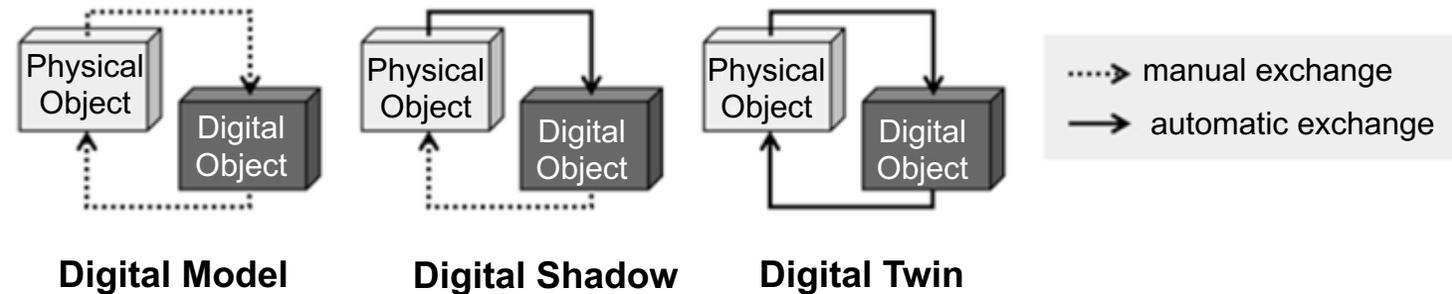
# Digital twin



An Early Digital Twin Concept by Grieves and Vickers



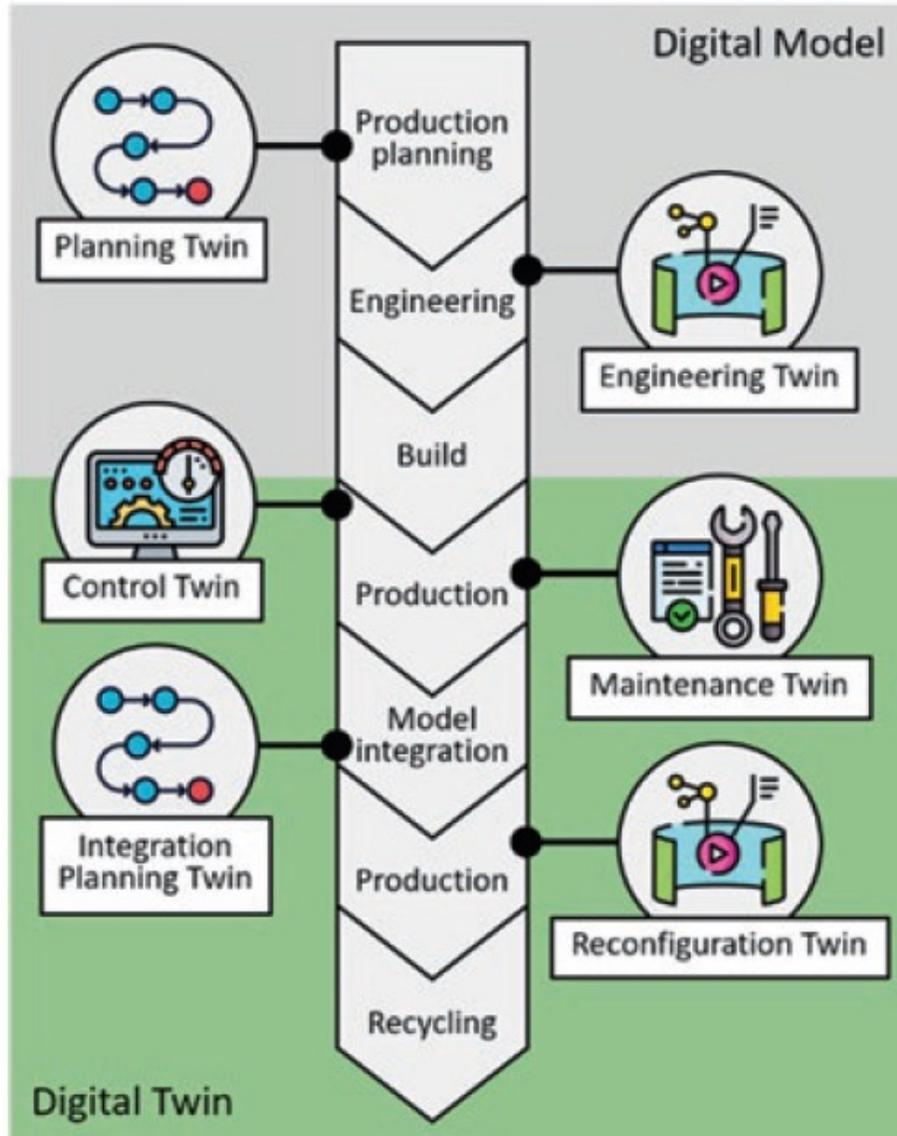
Characterized by the **synchronization** between the physical and digital object



**Digital model** of an object in the physical world developed for the purpose of studying, analyzing and predicting its behavior

Kritzinger , W., Karner , M., Traar , G., Henjes , J., & Sihn , W. (2018). *Digital twin in manufacturing : A categorical literature review and classification* . IFAC- Papers Online, 51, 1016–1022

# Digital twin



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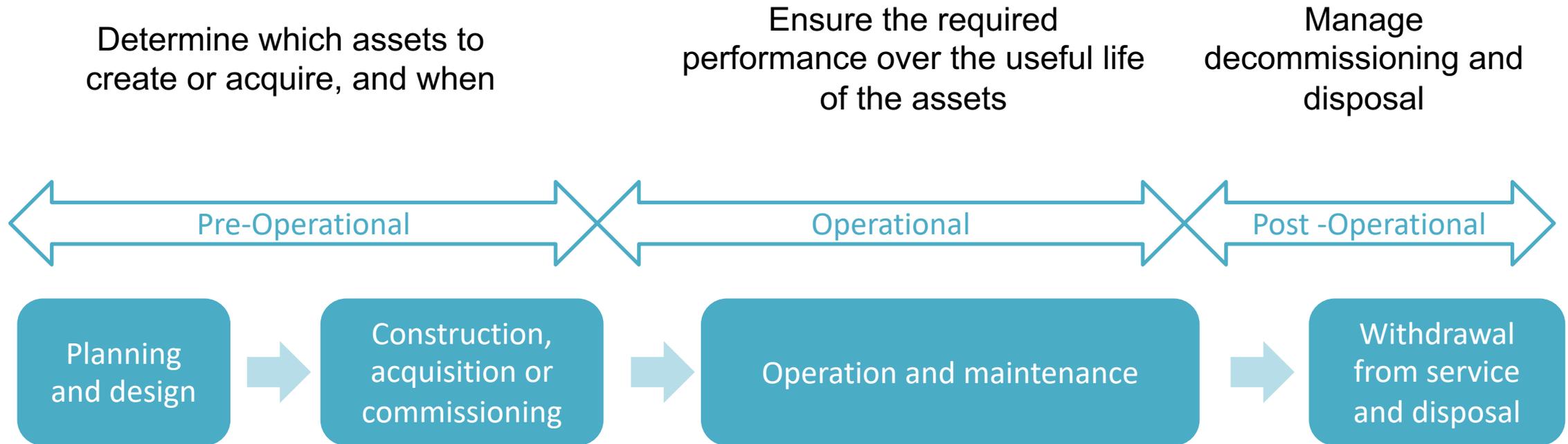


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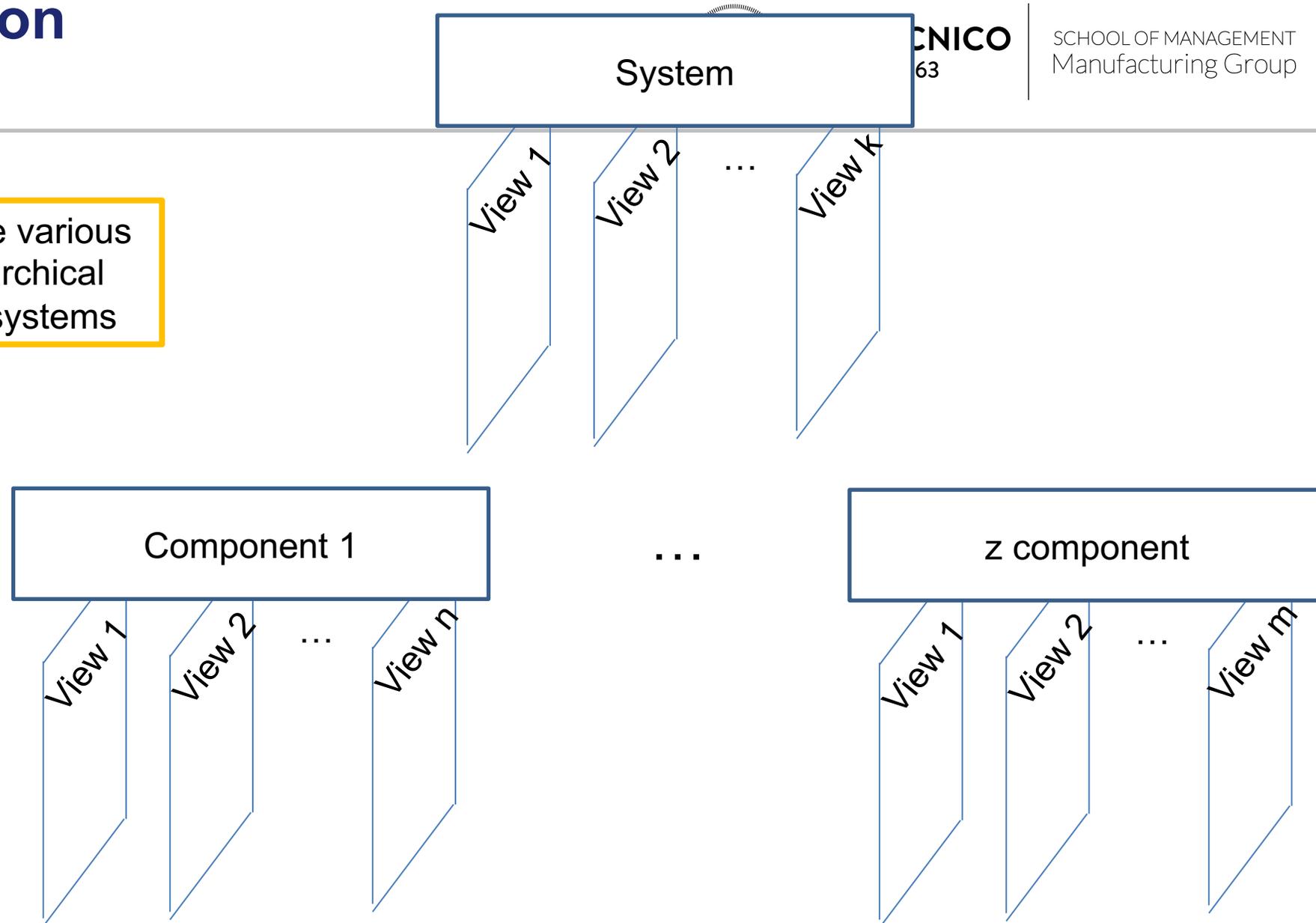
# Decision making in asset management



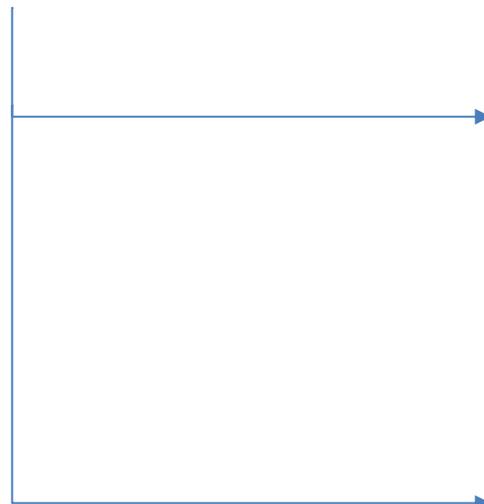
**Decisions are not isolated** : impact on other stages of the life cycle and on other assets

# Approach based on Digital Twins

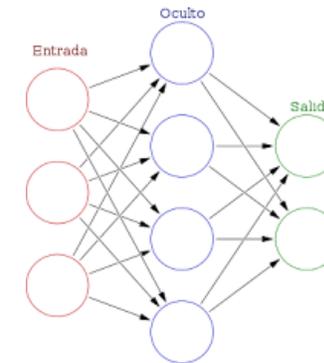
Integrate the **models** and the various **facets** of the different hierarchical levels of assets and asset systems



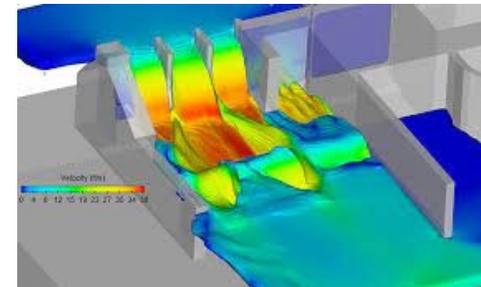
Reduce **development and testing costs** , while expanding the number of "situations" that can be considered, assessed and evaluated



Data-driven  
models



Physics-based  
models



# OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES IN THE RESEARCH AGENDA



## A reflection on future topics in the research agenda

### Digital twins for lifecycle support of future intelligent manufacturing assets in complex systems

- Lifecycle planning & monitoring of manufacturing assets;
- Advanced condition monitoring, diagnostics & prognostics;
- Joint production & maintenance planning and control;
- Monitoring of manufacturing assets for their integrity management / life extension.

Digital  
twin for  
the  
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cycle

BOL - Design, Build &  
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MOL - Operations &  
Maintenance

EOL - Decommissioning

Supporting the  
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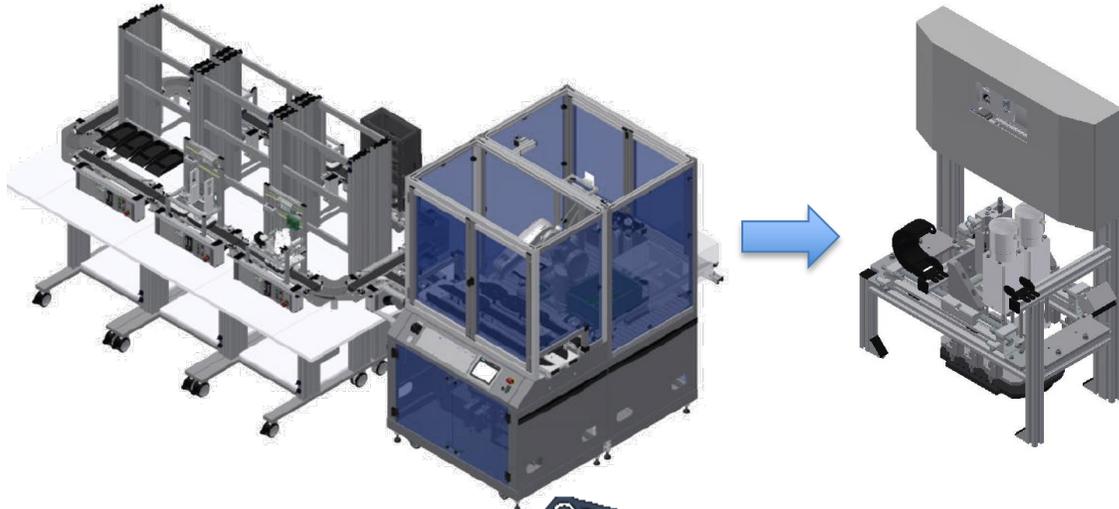
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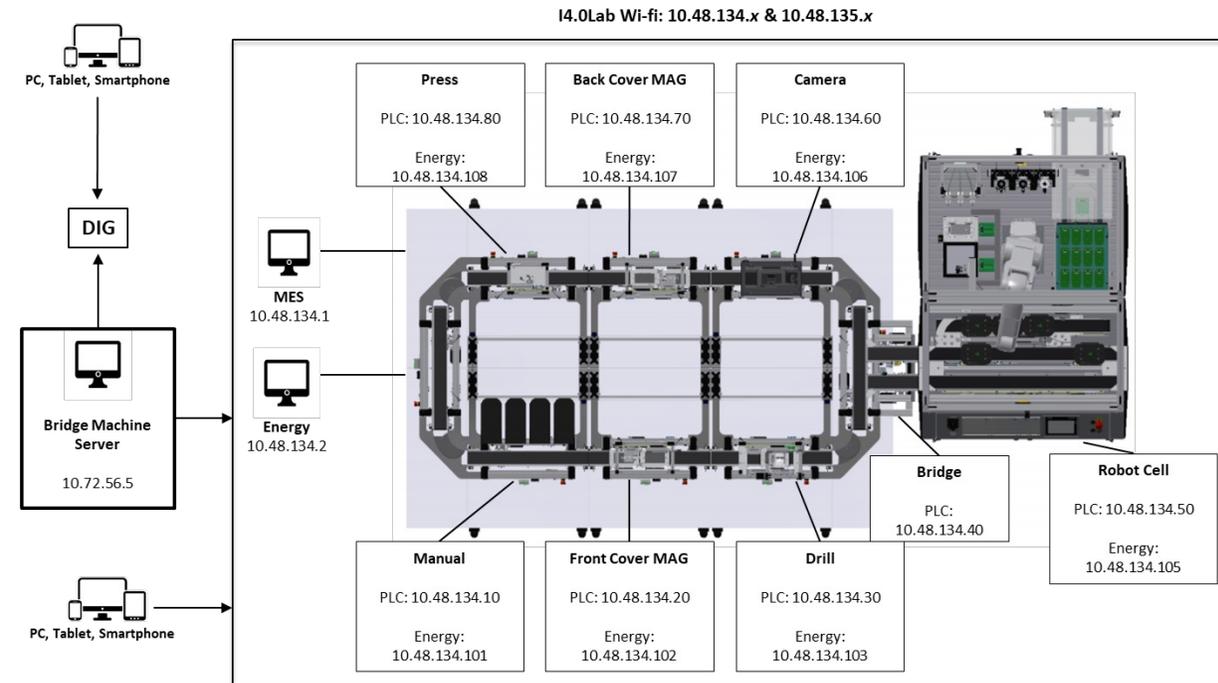


## INDUSTRY4.0 Lab

### Flexible manufacturing line & Critical machines

- Operation of different stations and equipment in the line
- Degradation of the drilling machine, in view of the evolution of its critical failure modes

### Machining & Assembling



**Architecture of Industry 4.0 lab base ICT system (focus on Levels 0, 1, 2 of Enterprise-control system ref. (IEC) 62264:2003)**

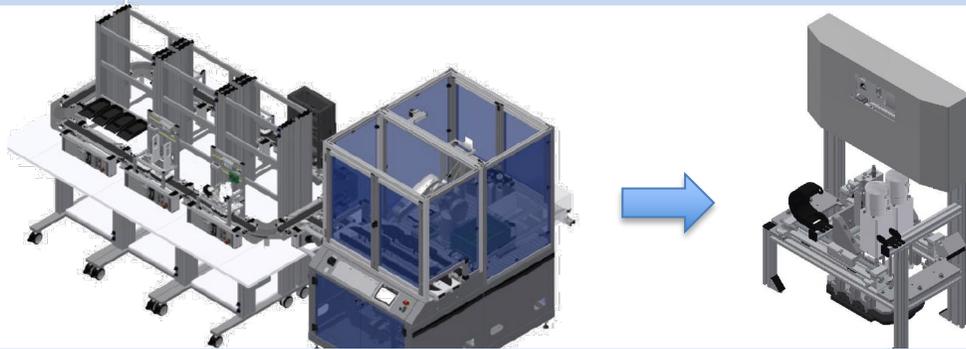


**Extension of extant system with  
a Digital Twin-based decision making support**

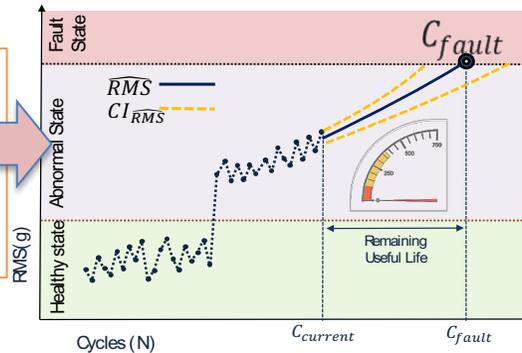
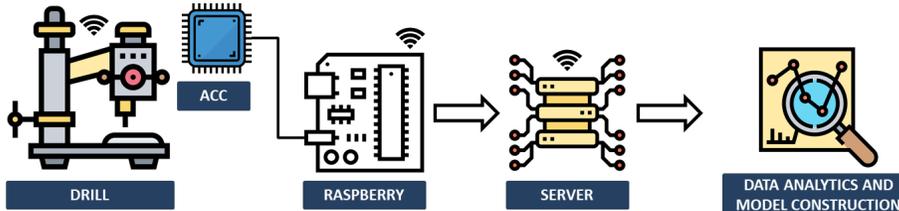
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## MANUFACTURING ASSETS



## PREDICTIVE MAINTENANCE INTEGRATION IN I4.0-BASED MANUFACTURING



### Opportunity

Advanced data analytics for CBM/PHM is developed through an **integration capability built upon a reference framework** providing guidelines and supporting **models** both from **process & data** viewpoints, while leveraging upon a **library of algorithms** to be exploited according to the boundaries and the case-related characteristics



### Benefits

- Productivity and robust performance of the production line
- On-line control of the conditions of critical equipment through integrated predictive maintenance capabilities in the production line

Cattaneo, L., Polenghi, A., Macchi, M.. A framework to integrate novelty detection and remaining useful life prediction in Industry 4.0-based manufacturing systems, International Journal of Computer Integrated Manufacturing, 2021.

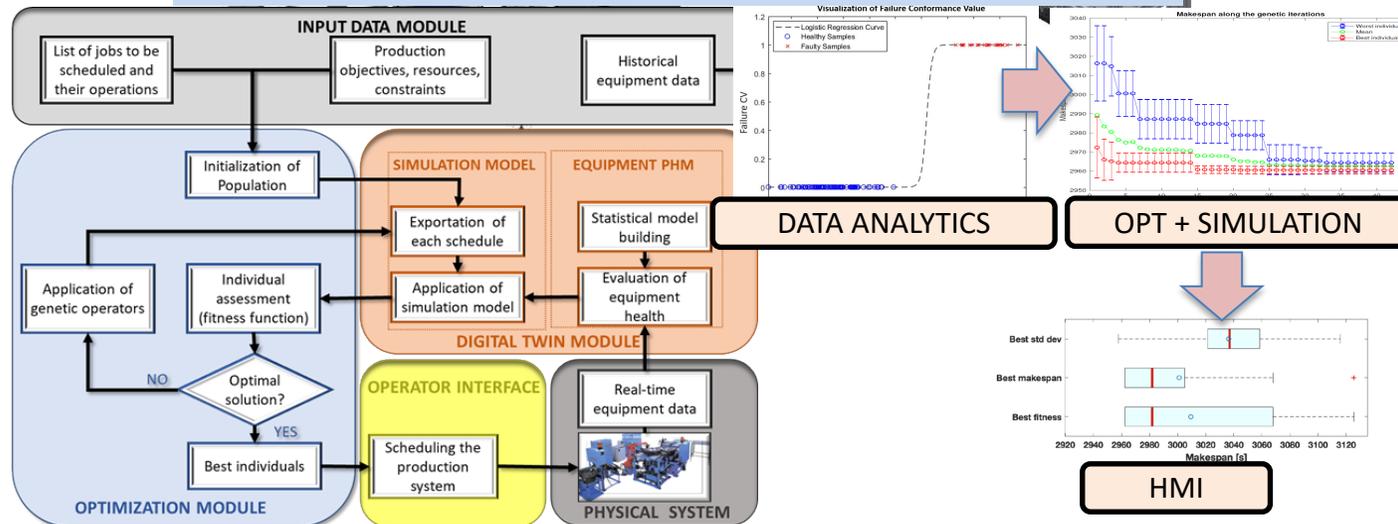
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## MANUFACTURING ASSETS



## PRODUCTION SCHEDULING WITH EQUIPMENT HEALTH MONITORING



### Opportunity

**Digital Twin** to synchronize a Genetic Algorithm (GA)-based **optimization** of jobs scheduling, through a **Discrete Event Simulation (DES)** embedded with an **equipment health monitoring** built on data-driven approach, with the purpose to optimize **productivity measures** with **uncertainty** due to the operational risks related to machines downtime



### Benefits

- Productivity and robust performance of the production line
- On-line control of the conditions of critical equipment in a joint preventive approach for robust scheduling

Negri E., Pandhare V., Cattaneo L., Singh J., Macchi M., Lee J., Field-synchronized Digital Twin framework for production scheduling with uncertainty, *Journal of Intelligent Manufacturing*, vol. 32, 1207-1228, 2021

# OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES IN THE RESEARCH AGENDA



## A reflection on future topics in the research agenda

### PHM for decision support framed in life cycle management

- Extended reliability and maintenance engineering, capable to exploit advanced data analytics for PHM inclusive of context-awareness on the process condition;
- Collaborative prognostics in social networks of industrial assets;
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