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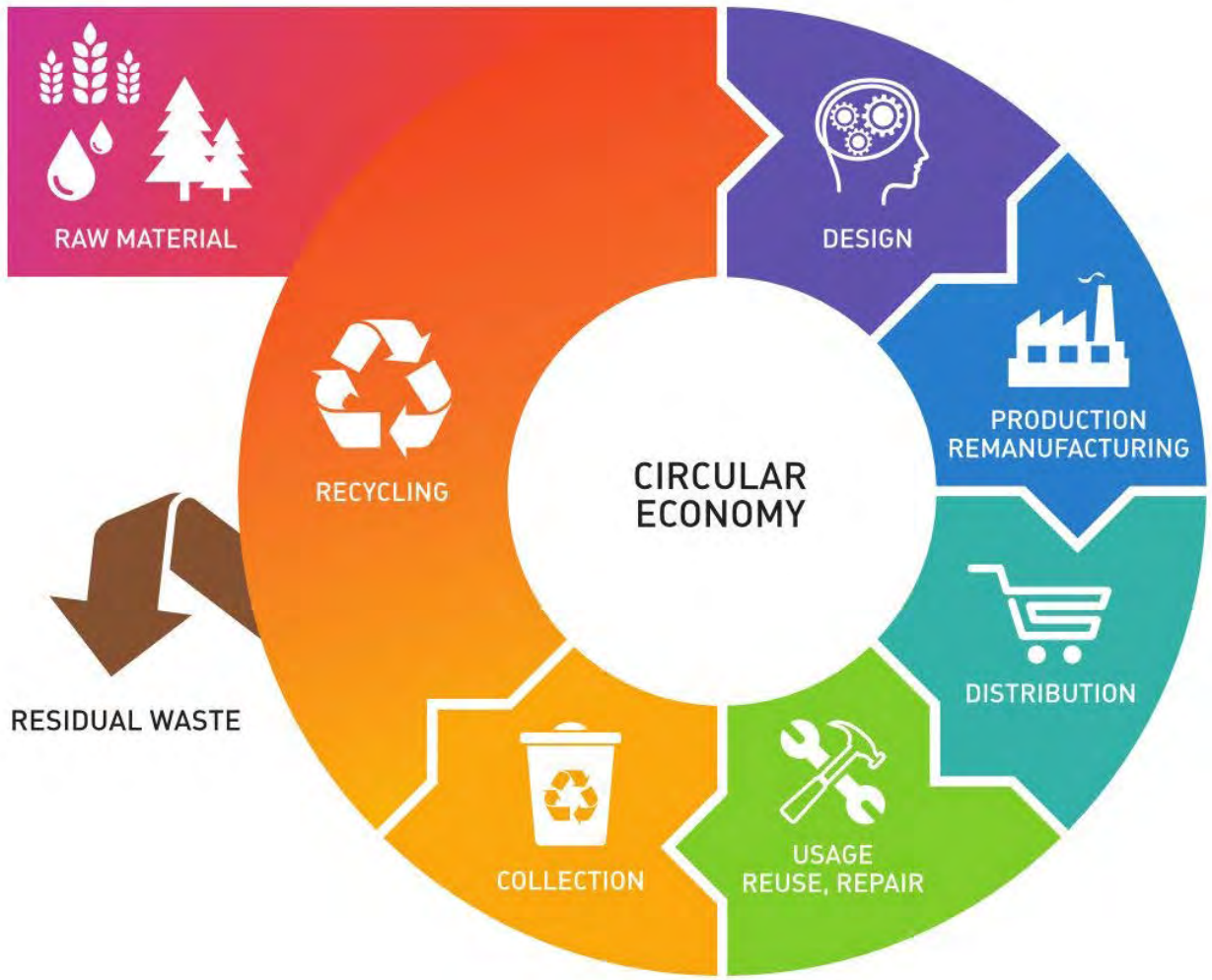


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- A World's Most Influential Scientific Mind (Thomson Reuters)
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- Founding Director, NUS Bioengineering Initiative
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We are living in interesting times !



A woman in a black dress is walking on a white platform. To her left is a black, rectangular robot suitcase on wheels. The background is a busy exhibition hall with a large blue wall featuring the text 'CES 2016' in large, glowing letters. Other people are visible in the background, some looking at the robot suitcase. The scene is brightly lit with overhead lights.

Robot Suitcase

In October 2017, the robot (Sophia) became a Saudi Arabian citizen, the first robot to receive citizenship of any country



Tech Industry

GAFA: \$3 trillion

Google, **A**pple, **F**acebook and **A**maz

BAT: \$1.5 trillion

Baidu, **A**libaba and **T**encent

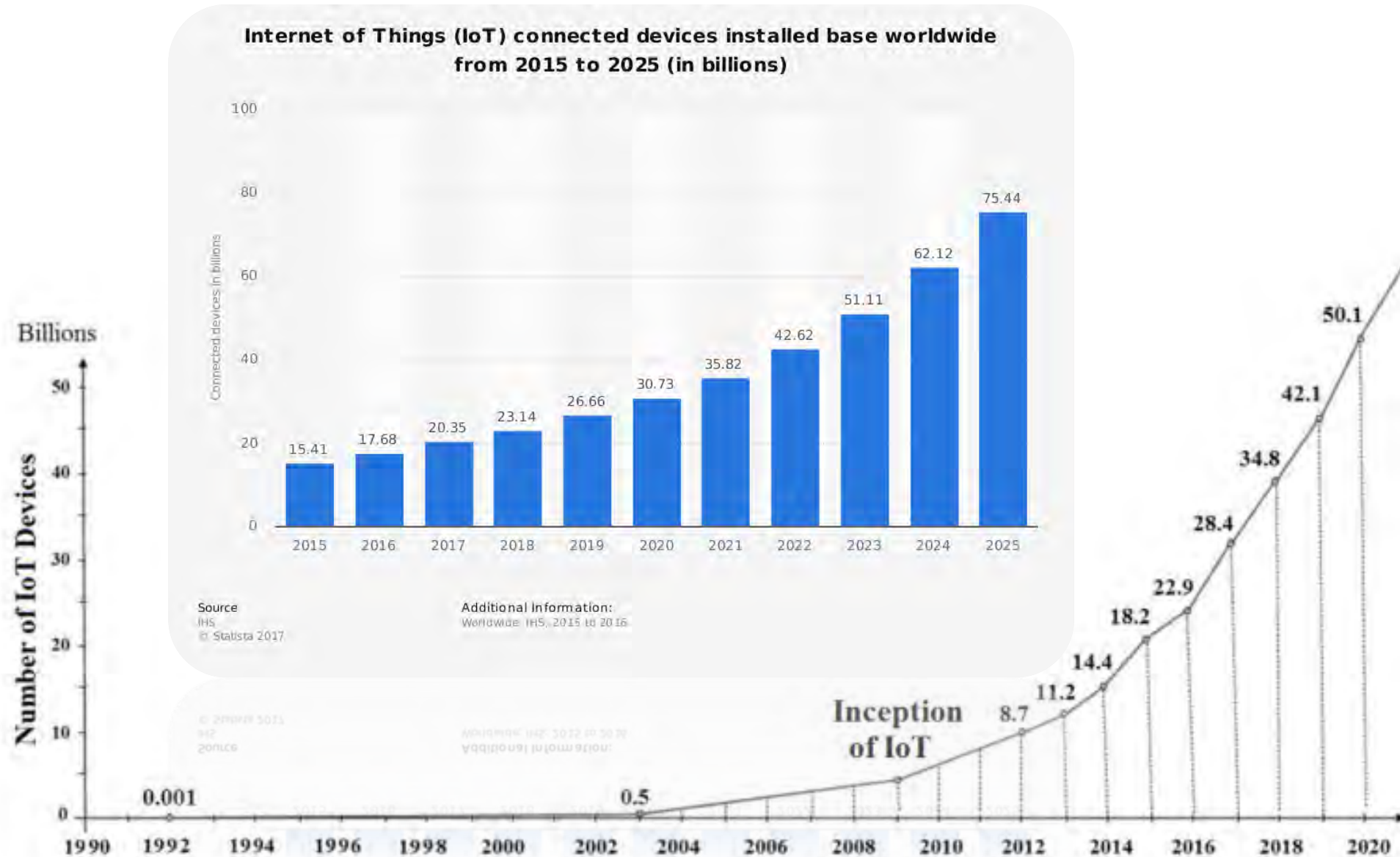
World's GDP ~ \$78 trillion

Trending Technologies

Social & Mobile	Mainstream
Cloud Computing	Scaling
Big Data & Analytics	Scaling
IOT, Internet of Things	Emerging
Block-chain	Emerging
AI, Artificial Intelligence	Nascent
VR, Virtual Reality	Nascent
Robotic Process Automation	Nascent
3D Printing	Nascent

Only 15 economies out of 191 economies
have GDP above \$1 trillion

Trend in growth in IoT (1990-2020)



Concept to store: Four steps over 21 days

The secret to Zara's success in fast fashion lies in its responsive, data-driven supply chain.

The brand has 2,213 outlets in 93 markets and e-commerce stores in 41 of them. The individual outlets operate like feedback portals, feeding information daily on product sales, returns and trends to Zara's

headquarters in La Coruna, Spain.

In this hub of activity, market analysts digest the data and relay it to designers and the commercial team. Production is quickly halted for designs that are not selling well, while successful designs are tweaked to fit trends, keeping stocks and wastage low.



1 Based on feedback from market analysts, global trends are identified and new designs (above) created daily. Designers sit next to commercial teams, which allows for quick discussions about costing and design. Crucial decisions on style, colour and fabric as well as estimates of manufacturing costs can be made in a few hours, allowing resources to be committed quickly for production.



2 Once a design is finalised, pattern-makers quickly create a prototype (above), which can then be tweaked for fit. When the green light is given, specifications are sent to cloth-cutting machines in Zara factories – mainly in Spain, but also in countries such as Portugal, Morocco and Turkey – where they are stitched and assembled. The trendiest items are manufactured closest to Spain, so that total production time can be usually capped at two or three weeks.



IoT in Textiles Industries

Zara now designs and stock an outfit in its stores around the world in 20 days!

Zara by numbers

1975

Year founded

\$15.7 billion

Brand value according to Forbes

2,213

Zara stores in 93 countries

313

Zara outlets in Spain

193

Zara outlets in China

128

Zara outlets in France

78

Zara outlets in the US



Crucial decisions about style, colour and fabric, as well as estimates of manufacturing costs, are often made between design and commercial teams (left) in a few hours, allowing resources to be committed quickly for production.



3 Zara stores make orders twice weekly – before and after the weekend. Items are shipped (above) with the price labels tagged and most items hung on hangers, allowing stores to replenish stocks quickly. Shipping takes up to 36 hours for European stores and 48 hours for the rest of the world.



4 The quick turnaround time means Zara stores continually look fresh. At the headquarters, there are mock-up stores for Zara Women, Men, Kids and Home, where stylists plan storefront displays and coordinate looks so similar trends can be displayed together. This information is relayed to stores around the world so their store facades look similar. Items are also styled and photographed in-house (left) so the e-commerce experience is seamless across different markets.

IoT Example No. 3: Rolls-Royce

Rolls-Royce, which manufactures not only luxury cars but also aircraft engines, offers an IoT example that involves capturing data about engine performance. Planes using Rolls-Royce engines can wirelessly and automatically send information about flight plans, weather, technical logs and even fuel usage back to employees so they can track potential problems and schedule replacement of parts, such as fuel pumps, before they go bad. Capturing and analyzing this data can also tell Rolls-Royce which factors impact plane fuel efficiency, including weather and maintenance – they can then share this information with their customers.

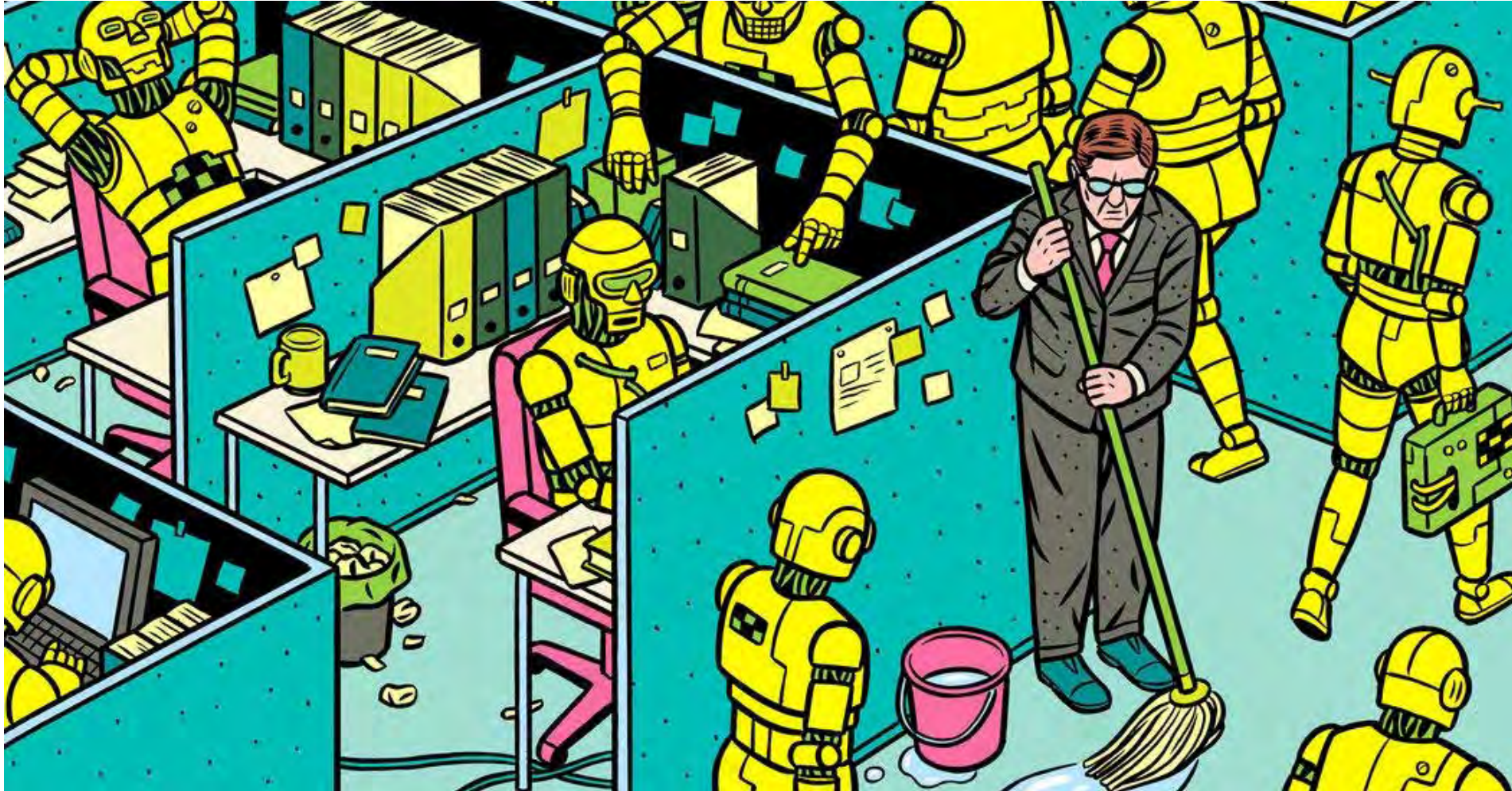
Applying machine learning algorithm to IoT

Machine learning Algorithm	IoT, Smart City use cases	Metric to Optimize
Classification	Smart Traffic	Traffic Prediction, Increase Data Abbreviation
Clustering	Smart Traffic, Smart Health	Traffic Prediction, Increase Data Abbreviation
Anomaly Detection	Smart Traffic, Smart Environment	Traffic Prediction, Increase Data Abbreviation, Finding Anomalies in Power Dataset
Support Vector Regression	Smart Weather Prediction	Forecasting
Linear Regression	Economics, Market analysis, Energy usage	Real Time Prediction, Reducing Amount of Data
Classification and Regression Trees	Smart Citizens	Real Time Prediction, Passengers Travel Pattern
Support Vector Machine	All Use Cases	Classify Data, Real Time Prediction
K-Nearest Neighbors	Smart Citizen	Passengers' Travel Pattern, Efficiency of the Learned Metric
Naive Bayes	Smart Agriculture, Smart Citizen	Food Safety, Passengers Travel Pattern, Estimate the Numbers of Nodes
K-Means	Smart City, Smart Home, Smart Citizen, Controlling Air and Traffic	Outlier Detection, fraud detection, Analyze Small Data set, Forecasting Energy Consumption, Passengers Travel Pattern, Stream Data Analyze
Density-Based Clustering	Smart Citizen	Labeling Data, Fraud Detection, Passengers Travel Pattern
Feed Forward Neural Network	Smart Health	Reducing Energy Consumption, Forecast the States of Elements, Overcome the Redundant Data and Information
Principal Component Analysis	Monitoring Public Places	Fault Detection
Canonical Correlation Analysis	Monitoring Public Places	Fault Detection
One-class Support Vector Machines	Smart Human Activity Control	Fraud Detection, Emerging Anomalies in the data

Emerging **industrial revolution (Industry 4.0)** characterized by a confluence of new technologies, from Internet of Things (IoT), machine learning, cloud computing, big data analytics, artificial intelligence (AI), sensors, robots, 3D printing, wearables, to mind-technologies, biotechnology and nanotechnology will transform production systems, business models, economic growth, employment, and sustainability.



Humans will be paid based on how well they will work with digital technologies!



AS A professor at the National University of Singapore, it is natural for me to imagine Singapore in 2065. By then all my mentees would be basking in the glory of their mentees, and I would be 100 if I am still alive. It is a gamble for anyone to predict the future. Yet we cannot resist! How Singapore will be in 2065 depends very much on how the world turns out to be, and which innovations Singapore absorbs along the way.

Like Singapore, Moore's Law – which predicted the future of integrated circuits, the heart of computing and smart devices – turned 50 this year. The co-founder of Intel Gordon Moore famously made an empirical observation in 1965 about how the number of transistors that could fit on a single silicon chip would double every two years thereby increasing computing power and speed. Intel's latest chip offers 3,500 times more computing performance, is 90,000 times more energy efficient and costs about 60,000 times less compared to its first generation chip. We now have personal computers, smartphones and the Internet. By 2065 I wish to see more technologies using this law which will lower the cost of living and make rapid improvements in living standards.

Fifty years from now, economic growth facilitated by innovations in finance, commerce and political governance will enable people around the world to be glocal (i.e. global as well as local) in their mindsets and work-

Singapore in 2065

Expect smart technologies, healthcare innovations and upgraded infrastructure

places. They would be more concerned about the sustainability of the world for future generations, influenced by clean water shortages and undesirable consequences caused by climate change. How will these end points impact Singapore in its transformation to 2065?

According to Emporis, which lists the world's top skylines, Singapore with 4,562 tall buildings is ranked third behind New York (6,091) and Hong Kong (7,794). I imagine that by 2065, Singapore's skyscrapers will increase and be three times taller than the current ones with automated car-park systems and smart home appliances. They will be smarter and enable us to find the nearest and cheaper car-parks, efficiently water green spaces, ensure security, save energy and handle waste with robots.

Lush green spaces in Singapore will grow and be recognised the world over for their uniqueness. Singapore will turn waste into a resource, and even export it to the world. Carbon footprinting of products and services will become the vogue, and building materi-

als and construction methods reimagined to lower the carbon footprint.

Singapore will be monitoring polluting particles and gases to facilitate higher standards of healthy, urban living. Finance and international trading aspects of the economy will grow further. All electric transportation will go mainstream and information sent to our smartphones so we can share rides and find cost-effective parking spots and dining places. Drones will deliver food, groceries and purchases where and when we need them. Urban farming and nutritious diets will be favoured by Singaporeans. E-shopping will be the new normal. We will have our energy needs met at least up to a quarter by renewable sources.

Owing to our robust electricity system we may become the biggest data centre of the region and perhaps the world. We may be supplying clean water, clean energy and nutritious food to the region. We will be mitigating the rise of the sea level while leveraging on opportunities with the emergence of new shipping and trading routes via the Arctic.

The World Health Organisation expects that one in four people in the

world will be above 65. As people pay more attention to health and well-being, they are likely to use more medicines and medical devices in addition to pursuing healthy lifestyles. As much as a quarter of our body weight is likely to be various medical devices! Aside from healthcare innovations, Singapore will have upgraded amenities, infrastructure (smart technologies-enabled walkways, building access, public transportation and roads), healthcare facilities, and opportunities for learning and skills upgrading.

Singapore in 2065 could be a key global node for finance, healthcare, sustainable technologies, dining, entertainment and space tourism. It will be a leading example of a livable city with high quality, smart infrastructure.

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New Engineering Jobs in 2050

Co-Robot Engineers
Smart Electronics Engineers
Cyber Engineers
Virtual Reality Engineers
Organ/Tissue Engineer
Smart grid engineer
3D Printing or Additive manufacturing engineer
Digital manufacturing engineer
Machine/Human Interface Engineer
AI engineer or AI App Developer
Urban factory designers
Life Cycle Engineering Engineer or Green Engineer
Sub-terrain Engineers
Deep ocean engineers
IoT Engineers
Battery engineer
Electric vehicle engineer
Wind and Solar Power Engineer
Biologics Engineers
Urban Farmer
Food Engineer

New Engineering Jobs in 2100

Mind (Mentalist) engineer
Idea engineer
Brain engineer
Gene engineer
Synthetic Meat and Food Engineer
Food design engineer
Climate Engineer
Ozone Engineer
Space Traffic Engineer
Maintenance Engineer for Intelligent Machines
Urban farmer
Deep ocean engineer
Digital currency engineer
Biomedical Implants engineer
Wearables Engineer
Health Engineer
Medical Imaging Engineer
Media Engineer
Solutions Engineer
Medical Diagnostics Engineer

Singapore well positioned to gain from Industry 4.0

WEF lists it as among 25 leaders in advanced manufacturing

Chia Yan Min

Singapore is among the 25 countries best positioned to benefit from the rise of advanced manufacturing and smart factories, according to a new report from the World Economic Forum (WEF).

The report analysed 100 coun-

tries and economies to see how they might benefit from the Fourth Industrial Revolution – or Industry 4.0 – and the rapid rise of new manufacturing technologies.

Singapore was identified among 25 “leaders in manufacturing today that are also well positioned for the future of production”.

The Republic came in second globally – after the United States – in the report’s “drivers of production” ranking, which measures key enablers that help a country take advantage of Industry 4.0. It ranked

11th in the “structure of production” category, which measures the scale and complexity of a country’s manufacturing sector.

Other countries in the top 25 include Japan, South Korea, Sweden, Germany, Denmark, Britain and the United States.

Leading countries have a first-mover’s advantage, the report said, noting: “Those that most effectively push the frontier and convert readiness into actual transformation can reap tremendous benefits.”

“True transformation is still nascent, but leading countries are at the forefront of designing, testing and pioneering emerging technologies. Many have developed government-led strategies to capitalise on the Fourth Industrial Revolution.”

The 25 leading countries already account for over three-quarters of global manufacturing value-added, the report noted.

It added that Singapore’s manufacturing capabilities “have evolved considerably, with strong competencies today in high-value areas of manufacturing such as research and development and product design”.

But it also pointed out no country was fully ready, let alone harnessed the full potential of the Fourth Industrial Revolution in production.

Mr Lim Kok Kiang, assistant managing director of the Singapore Economic Development Board (EDB),

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said the Republic’s strong showing reflects efforts to build an ecosystem to drive the adoption of advanced manufacturing among large and small firms here.

EDB launched a set of guidelines last November to help manufacturers build smart factories of the future. Called the Singapore Smart Industry Readiness Index, it was developed in partnership with German manufacturer TUV SUD.

“Transformation is a multi-year journey, and more needs to be done. It is important that we continue working closely with companies, trade associations and unions to improve our competitiveness and ensure our workforce is well equipped to support and enable the future of production,” added Mr Lim.

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Leaders in advanced manufacturing

Country	Structure of production	
	Score	Rank
Japan	8.99	1
South Korea	8.85	2
Germany	8.68	3
Switzerland	8.39	4
China	8.25	5
Czech Republic	7.94	6
United States	7.78	7
Sweden	7.46	8
Austria	7.46	9
Ireland	7.34	10
Singapore	7.28	11
Thailand	7.13	12
United Kingdom	7.05	13
Finland	7.00	14
Italy	6.99	15
Slovak Republic	6.98	16
Hungary	6.96	17
France	6.87	18
Poland	6.83	19
Malaysia	6.81	20
Slovenia	6.80	21
Mexico	6.74	22
Romania	6.61	23
Belgium	6.51	24
Israel	6.43	25

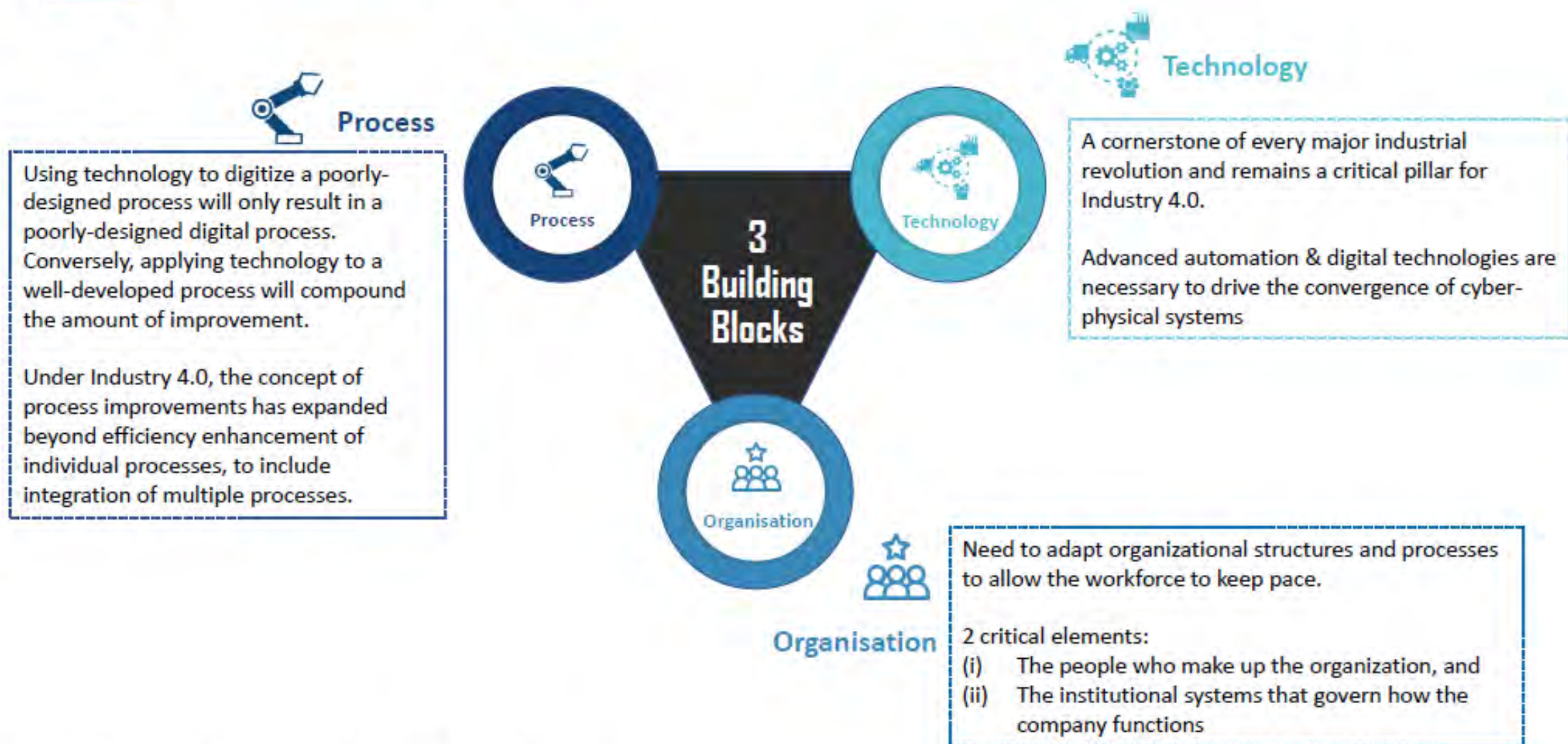
Source: WORLD ECONOMIC FORUM
STRAITS TIMES GRAPHICS

THE SINGAPORE SMART INDUSTRY READINESS INDEX

Catalysing the transformation of manufacturing



The Index: 3 Building Blocks



The Index: 8 Pillars



Operations

The planning and execution of processes which lead to the production of goods & services



Supply Chain

The planning & management of raw materials & inventory of a company's goods & services, from the point of origin to the point of consumption



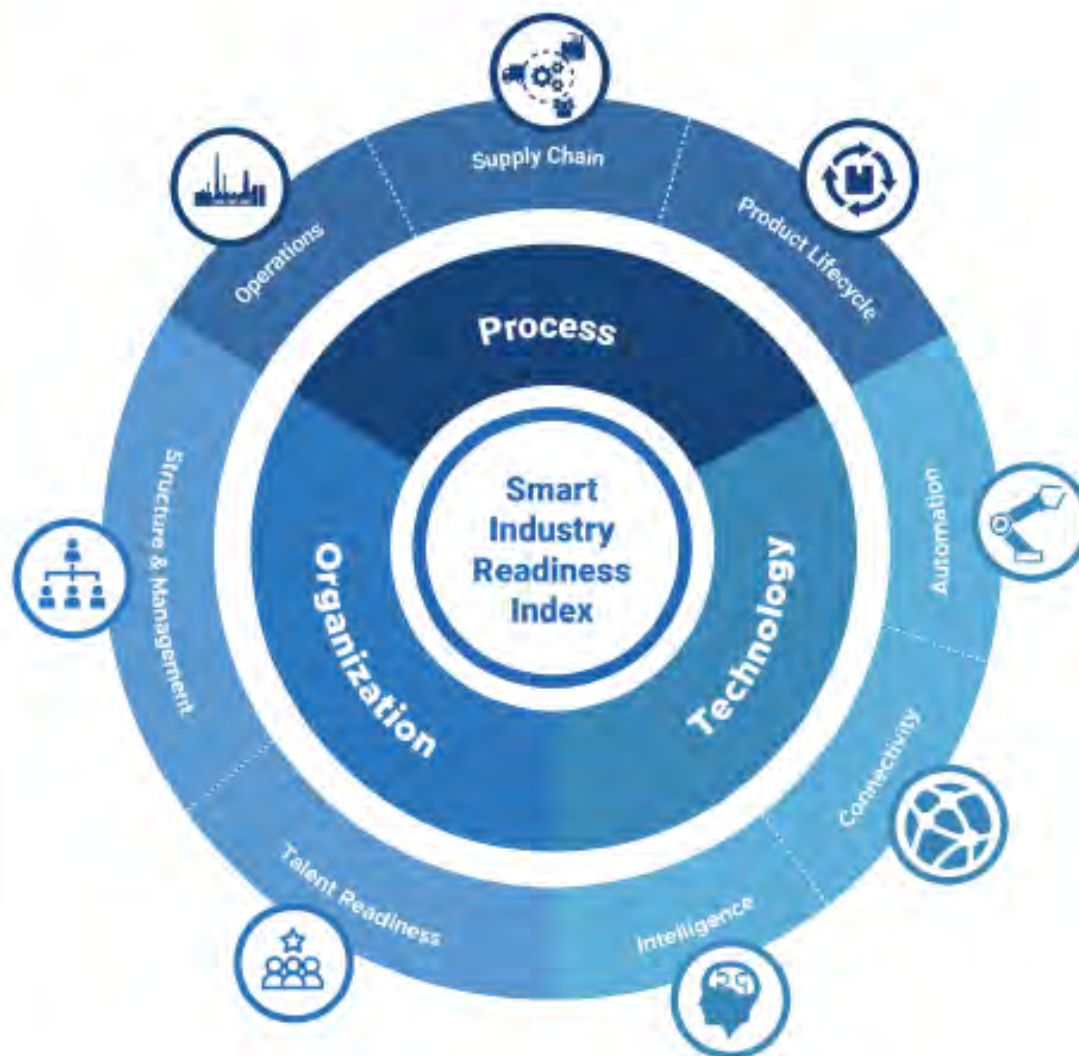
Product Lifecycle

The sequence of stages that a product goes through, from its initial conceptualization to its eventual removal from the market



Automation

The application of technology to monitor, control, & execute the production & delivery of products & services



Connectivity

The state of interconnectedness between equipment, machines, & computer-based systems to enable communication & data exchange across assets



Intelligence

The processing & analysis of data collected, to diagnose problems & identify opportunities for improvement



Talent Readiness

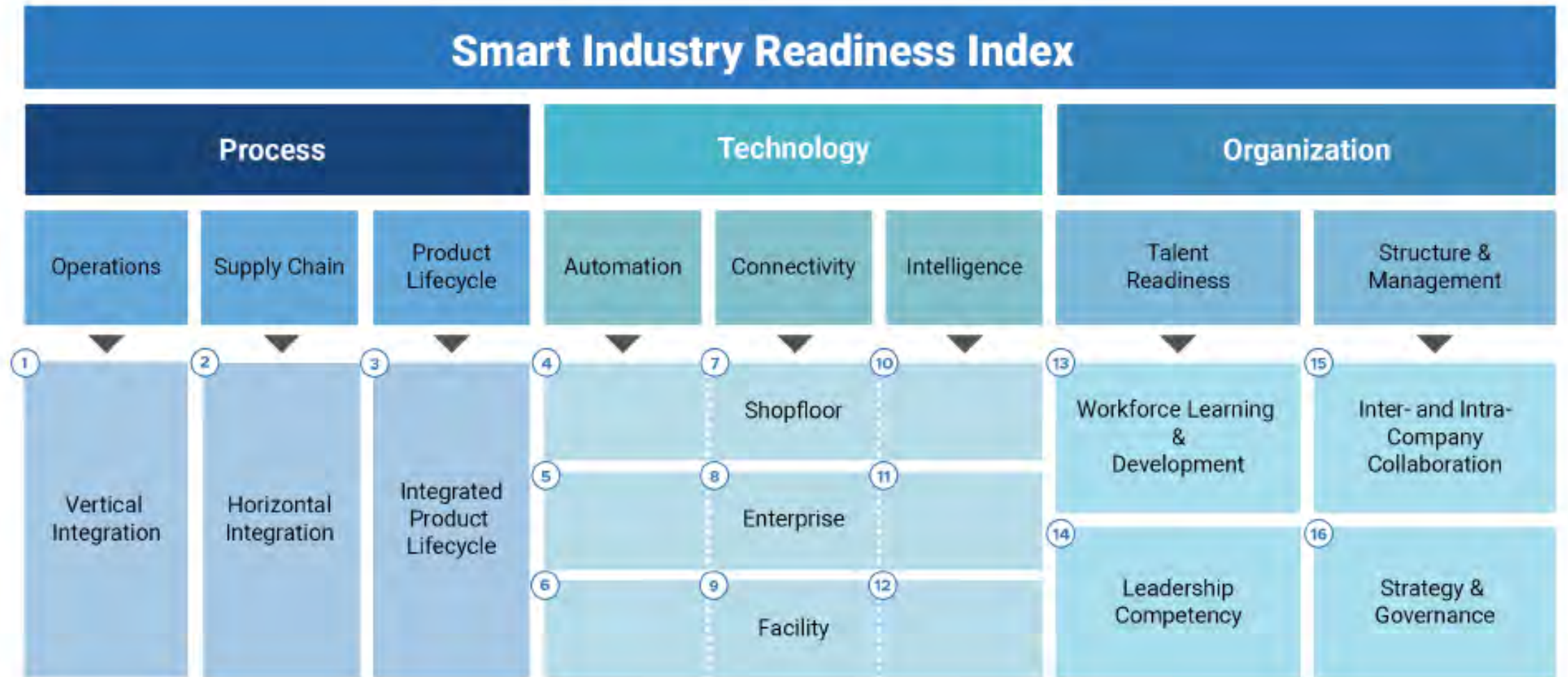
The ability of the workforce to drive and deliver Industry 4.0 initiatives



Structure & Management

Strong leadership, supported by a clear strategy & governance framework, will enable firms to be more flexible, collaborative, & empowered to design & implement Industry 4.0 strategies effectively

The Index: 16 Dimensions



3 Dimensions under the **Process** Building Block



Operations



1

Vertical Integration

Integration of processes & systems across all hierarchical levels of the automation pyramid within a facility



Supply-Chain



2

Horizontal Integration

Integration of enterprise processes across the organization and with other stakeholders along the value chain



Product Lifecycle



3

Integrated Product Lifecycle

Integration of people, processes, and systems along the entire product lifecycle. This dimension also examines how data is collected, managed, and analyzed across the different stages

9 Dimensions under the Technology Building Block



Automation



Connectivity



Intelligence



4

7

Shop floor

Where the production and management of goods is carried out

10

5

8

Enterprise

Where the administrative work is carried out

11

6

9

Facility

Physical building and/or premises where the production area is located

12

4 Dimensions under The Organisation Building Block



Talent Readiness



13

Workforce Learning & Development

Strategy to develop the workforce's capabilities, skills and competencies to achieve organizational excellence

14

Leadership Competency

Readiness of the management to leverage the latest concepts and technologies for the company's continued relevance and competitiveness



Structure and Management



15

Inter- and Intra-Company Collaboration

Process of working together, both internally and with external partners, to achieve a shared vision and purpose

16

Strategy & Governance

Design & execution of a plan of action – which includes identifying priorities, formulating a roadmap, & developing a system of rules, practices & processes – to achieve a set of long-term goals

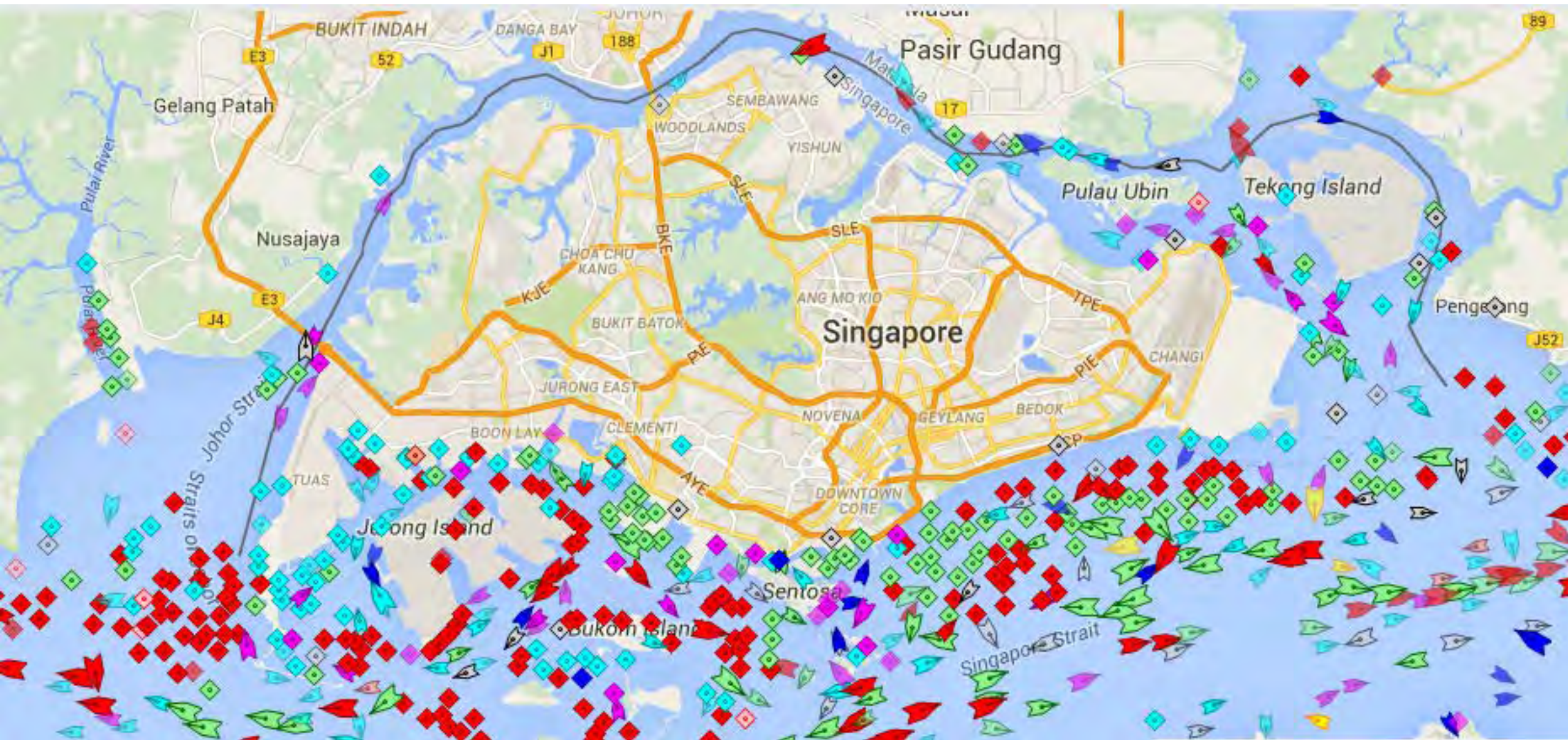
EVALUATE current state of facilities and the companies' readiness level

Process Building Block | Operations Pillar | Vertical Integration Dimension

Vertical Integration is the integration of processes and systems across all hierarchical levels of the automation pyramid within a factory or plant within an end-to-end connected information thread.

Band		Definition	Description
0	Undefined	Vertical processes are not explicitly defined.	Resource planning and technical production processes are managed and executed in silos, based on informal or ad-hoc methods.
1	Defined	Vertical processes are defined and executed by humans, with the support of analog tools.	Resource planning and technical production processes are managed and executed in silos, based on a set of formally defined instructions.
2	Digital	Defined vertical processes are completed by humans with the support of digital tools.	Resource planning and technical production processes are managed and executed in silos, by Operation Technology (OT) and Information Technology (IT) systems.
3	Integrated	Digitized vertical processes and systems are securely integrated across all hierarchical levels of the automation pyramid.	OT and IT systems managing the resource planning and technical production processes are formally linked; however the exchange of data and information across different functions is predominantly managed by humans.
4	Automated	Integrated vertical processes and systems are automated, with limited human intervention.	OT and IT systems managing the resource planning and technical production processes are formally linked, with the exchange of data and information across different functions predominantly executed by equipment, machinery and computer-based systems.
5	Intelligent	Automated vertical processes and systems are actively analyzing and reacting to data.	OT and IT systems are integrated from end to end, with processes being optimized through insights generated from analysis of data.

Marine Traffic





A glimpse into the future Tuas port

Held at Pasir Panjang Terminal Building 3 from Jan 10 to 17, PSA's Intelligent Port of the Future exhibition showcases its future port vision, as well as the transformation of jobs through technology and innovation. The Straits Times takes a look at the use of automation, data analytics, robotics and other applications that could be implemented at the future Tuas port.

FUTURE PORT

The current City Terminals (Tanjong Pagar, Keppel and Brani) and the Pasir Panjang Terminals will eventually be consolidated at a single location in Tuas. The new Tuas port will be capable of handling the world's biggest ships, and will also be the largest automated container terminal globally, with a handling capacity of 65 million standard containers. It will be part of a greater ecosystem connecting various stakeholders in the logistics community, both digitally and physically.



FUTURE COMMAND CENTRE

A one-stop command platform where one operator can coordinate all automated port equipment, including Automated Rail-Mounted Gantry Cranes, Automated Guided Vehicles and Automated Quay Cranes.

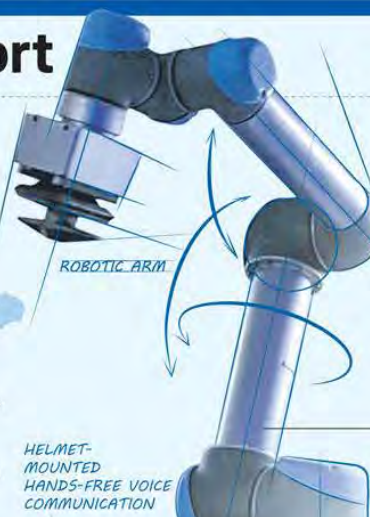


SMART WEARABLES

PSA is working with ST Electronics to look at the use of smart wearables for various functions. Geofencing, together with location tracking, ensures staff going into unmanned areas will be safe from port equipment and machinery, while health-monitoring gadgets allow supervisors to monitor high-risk staff. The wearables can be used to relay instructions or provide information requested by the port specialist.

EXOSKELETON

Driven by a system of motors and linkages, the powered mobile attachment enables port specialists to perform strenuous and physically demanding motions – increasing productivity and reducing physical strain.



UNMANNED DRONES

A new breed of unmanned drones that operate autonomously in the air and on water will join the workforce. Working with on-ground Internet of Things sensor networks, drones can fulfil ship-to-shore and shore-to-ship deliveries. Drone inspections can help to minimise disruption as this means engineers can perform inspections at a safer distance, eliminating the risk factors.



ROBOTIC ARM FOR TWIST LOCK HANDLING

Currently, lashing specialists fix and remove twist locks during the container loading and discharging processes alongside the quay cranes. In the future, automatic platforms or robotic arms could be used instead – and lashing specialists will no longer need to work close to suspended heavy loads and equipment. Only a single operator is required to operate three or four robotic arm units in cases of exception or error handling.

AUTONOMOUS ENGINEERING TRANSPORTER

Sending spare parts to users via a transporter using preset navigation routes to the workshops will be a norm. Future models will be capable of navigating dynamic traffic conditions to send or return spare parts to worksites.



SMART GLASSES

Support port equipment specialists will wear smart glasses for real-time visual aids and off-site assistance. The augmented reality (AR) technology helps to visualise equipment components and defects, reducing troubleshooting processes and the downtime of faulty equipment. The visual guidance also acts as an effective learning experience.





Sea robots to patrol waters



\$1.2b FLOOD CONTROL

The total flood-prone area in Singapore today is almost 100 times smaller than in 1970, with \$1.2 billion being spent on drain improvement works since 2011 and another \$500 million earmarked for the next two to three years to upgrade existing drains. Jose Hong looks at the success story of Singapore's anti-flood measures while also cautioning why flooding will never be completely eliminated, especially in a time of climate change.

A NEW WAY TO TACKLE FLOODS

Since the Orchard Road floods of 2010 and 2011, water agency PUB has implemented a "source-pathway-receptor" approach that aims to be more holistic when dealing with floods.

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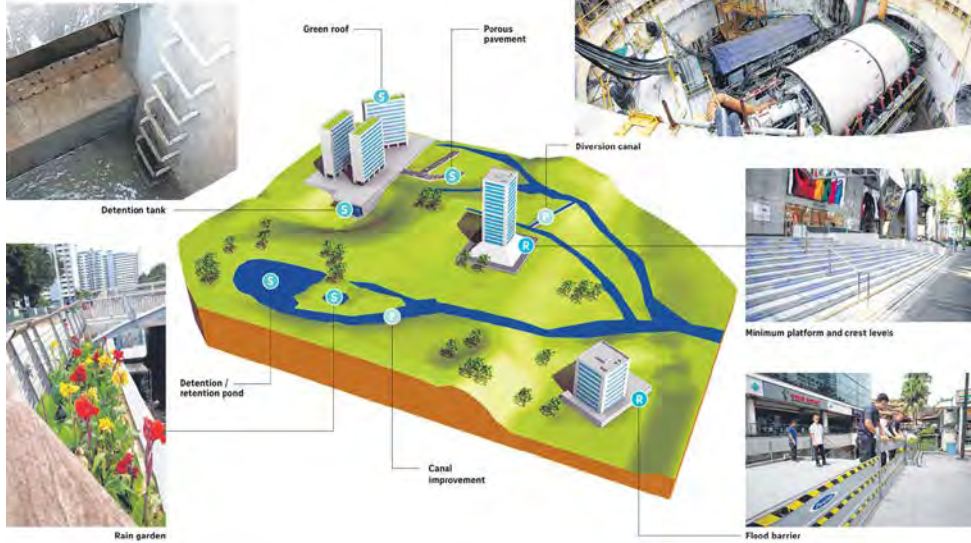
- Working at the "source" means managing rain exactly where it falls. This can be through detention tanks that store rainwater, or prettier green roofs and bioswales (landscape elements used to slow, collect and filter storm water).

Pathway

- "Pathway" upgrading refers to the drainage system that directs water to our reservoirs and seas. Such efforts include the widening and deepening of drains and canals, the construction of new drains and the upgrading of ageing ones.
- Transforming the concrete canal that used to run in Bishan-Ang Mo Kio Park into the flood plain many neighbourhood residents appreciate today is a famous instance of this.

Receptor

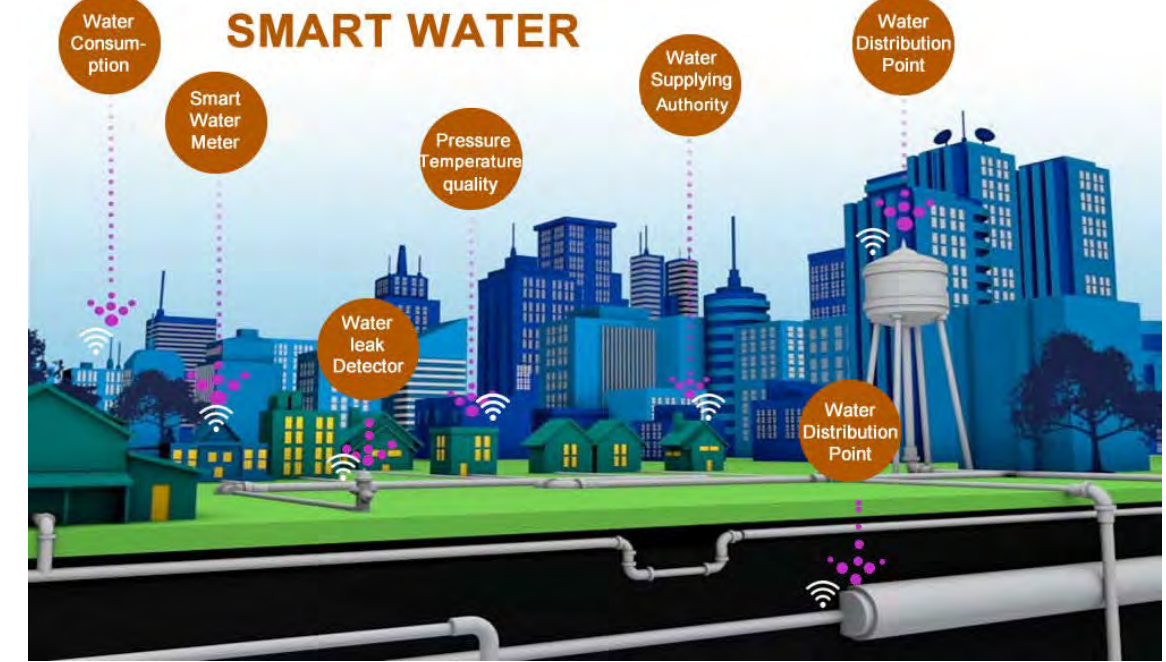
- At Singapore's low-lying areas, must at risk of flooding, "receptor" features are literally built into the architecture of buildings and structures to prevent floodwaters from damaging them.
- The steps one must walk up before entering underground MRT stations are among the simplest, yet perhaps unnoticeable, of these measures encountered on the daily commute.



THE PROBLEM

Singapore's physical characteristics encourage floods

- Flat landscape with pockets of low-lying areas.
- Island surrounded by seas is affected by high tides.
- Increasing urbanisation leads to more storm water above ground.



IoT and Water Management

A SUCCESS STORY

99 per cent reduction in flood-prone areas since 1970

- Flood-prone areas are low-lying parts of Singapore with a history of flooding.
- An area is put on a "hot spot" list if it floods once, and considered a flood-prone area when it happens again.
- It is taken off the list after drainage improvement works are carried out.



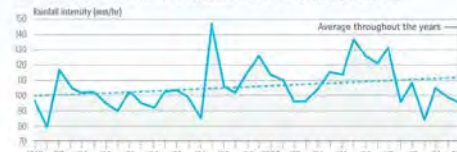
WHY SOME FLOODS ARE STILL INEVITABLE

- Floods occur when intense rain overwhelms Singapore's anti-flood infrastructure.
- The Jan 8 floods in eastern Singapore were caused when two weeks' worth of rain fell in just a matter of hours.
- Climate change is leading to more intense and sudden rainfall, which Singapore can only prepare for.
- Singapore has been receiving more rain per year (see graph).
- It is impossible to build drains to handle the "worst-case" storms as that would take up too much land, which Singapore lacks. Furthermore, the "worst-case" storms of the future will probably be worse than those of today due to climate change.
- Without the billions already spent on anti-flood measures, Singapore's floods would be worse.
- The public also plays a role in flood-readiness. They can stay away from flooded areas by using the MyWaters app or PUB's website to get real-time information on floods.
- The public can also subscribe to SMS alerts for the water level at specific drains and locations so that they know which areas to avoid.

Total rainfall (mm) from midnight on Jan 8

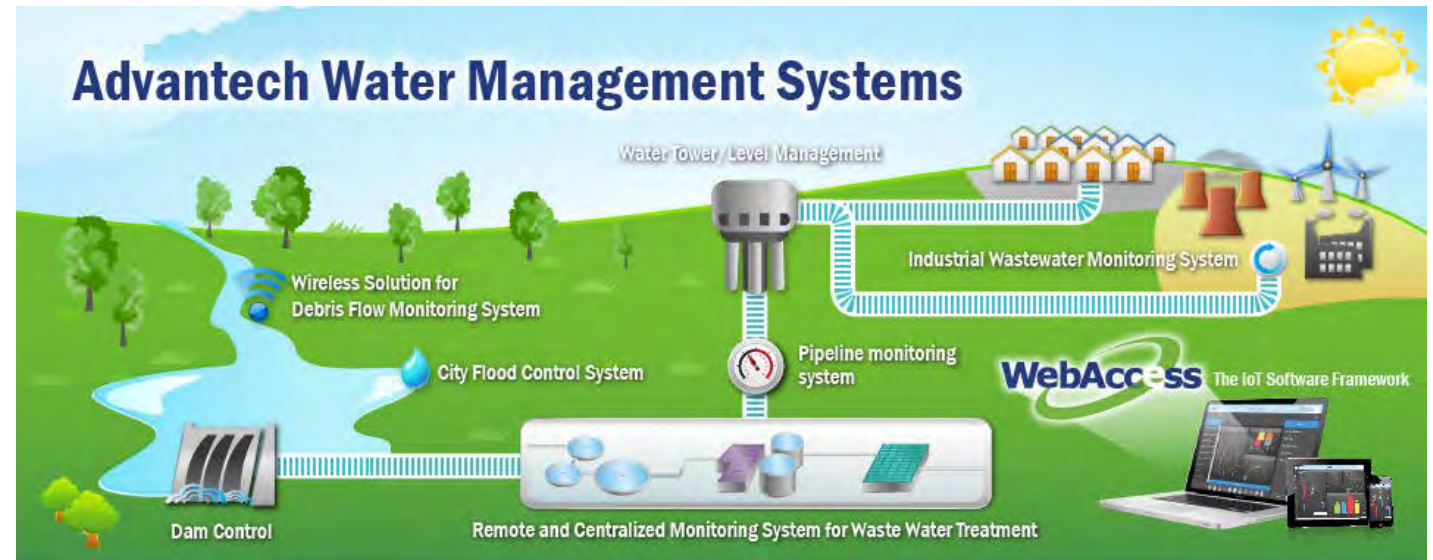


The maximum amount of rain that falls in an hour in Singapore (1980-2016)



Sources: PUB, METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE SINGAPORE, PHOTOS: PUB, LAMBEI, ZACHAR, STRAITS TIMES GRAPHICS

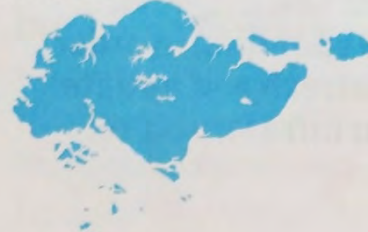
Advantech Water Management Systems



<http://www.straitstimes.com/singapore/12b-flood-control>

How Singapore's land area has grown over the years

1960s: 580 sq km



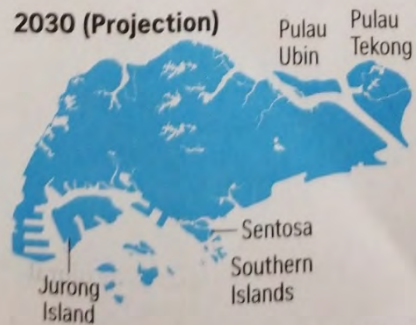
2007: 700 sq km



2017: 720 sq km



2030 (Projection)



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IoT & Urban Farming

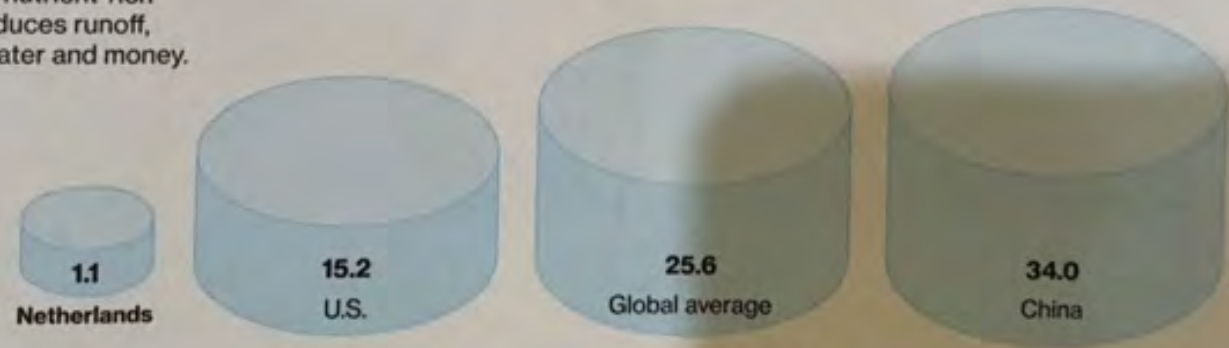




Doing more with less

Utilizing innovations on a large scale, like hydroponic farming – growing plants without soil in nutrient-rich solutions – reduces runoff, saving both water and money.

Total water footprint of tomato production
Gallons per pound, 2010



Urban Farming

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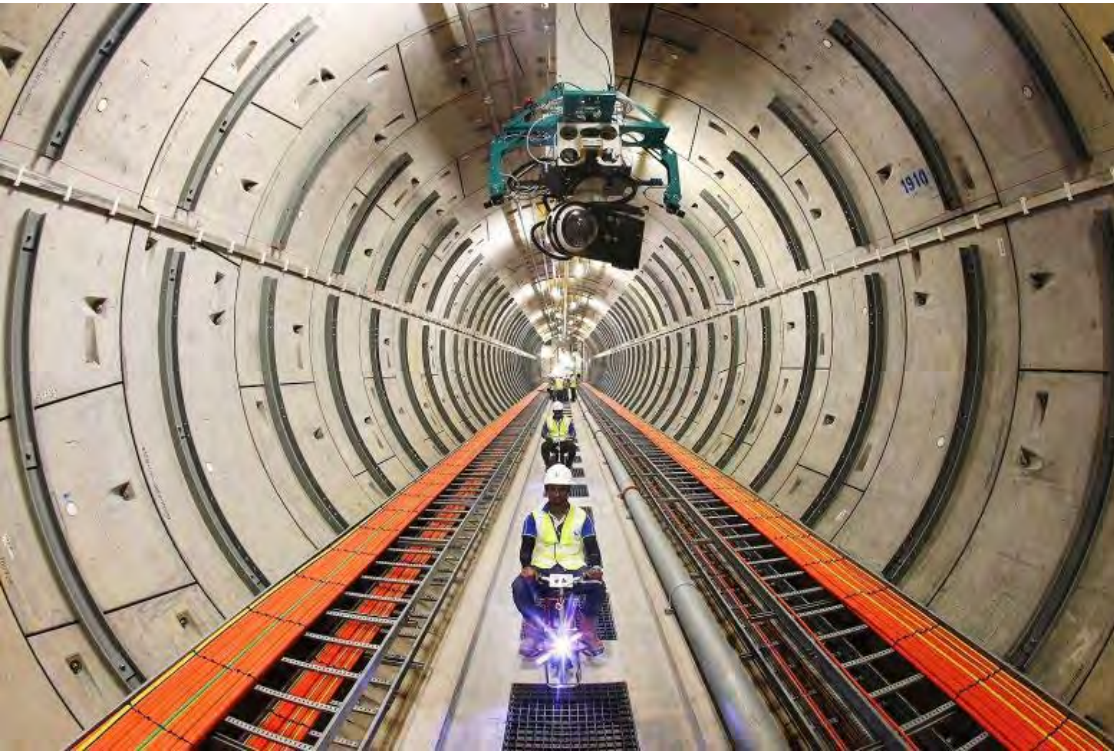
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Going Underground



Underground tunnels in Singapore

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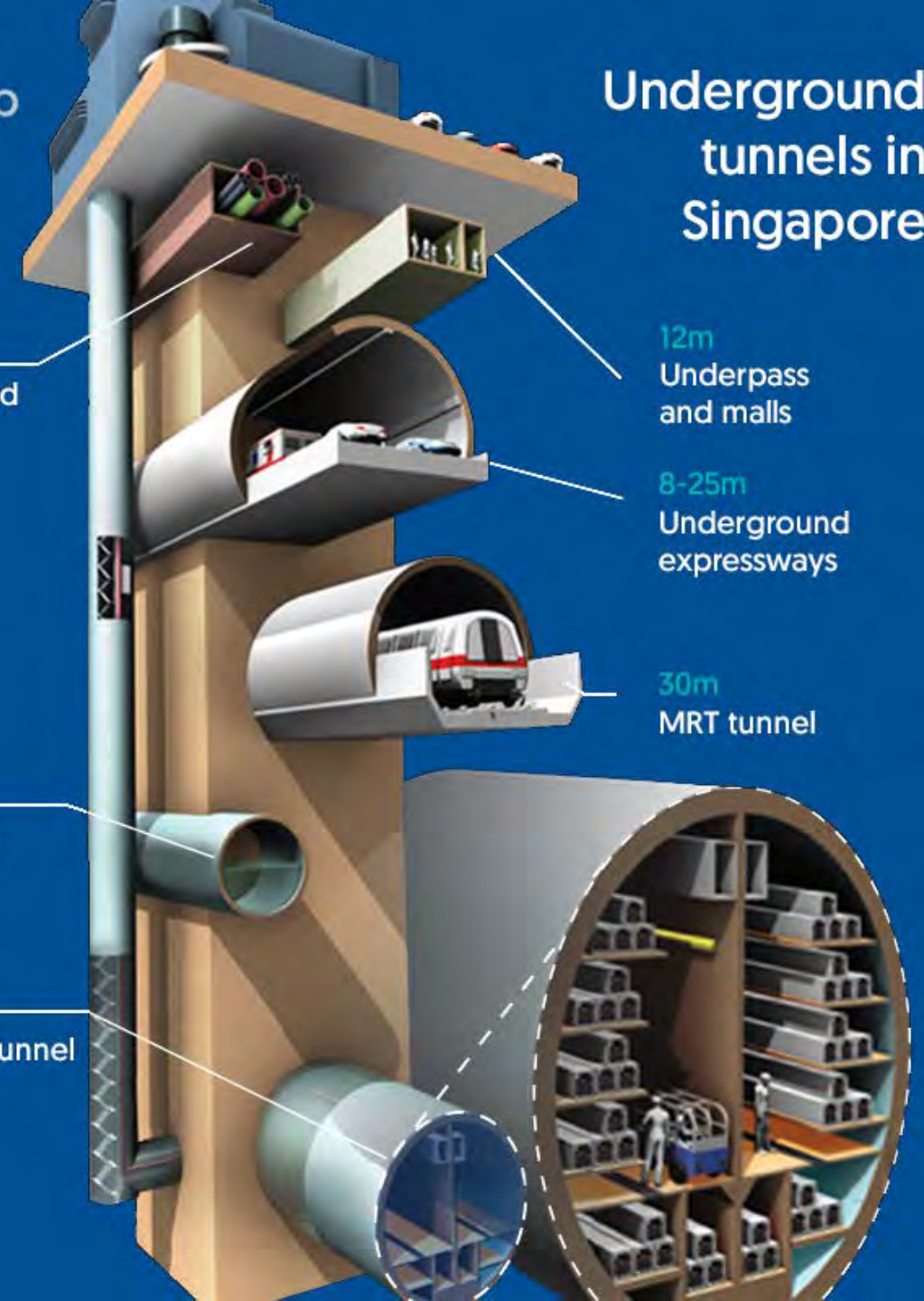
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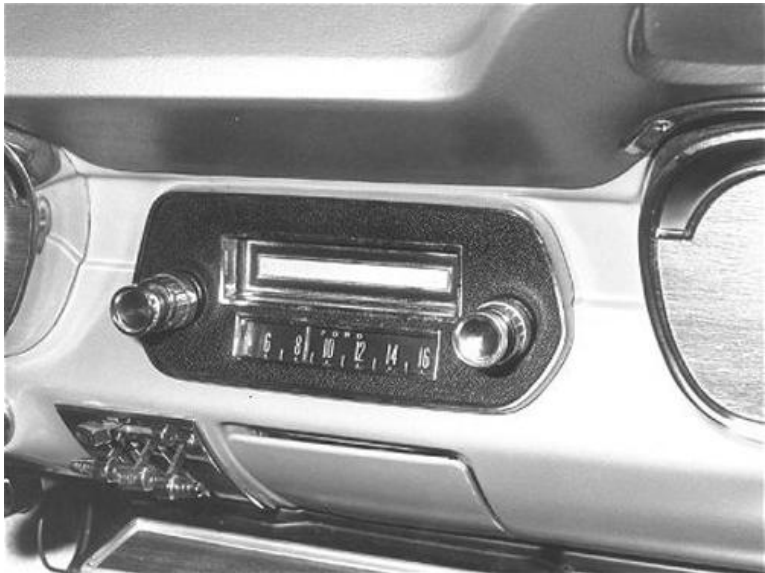
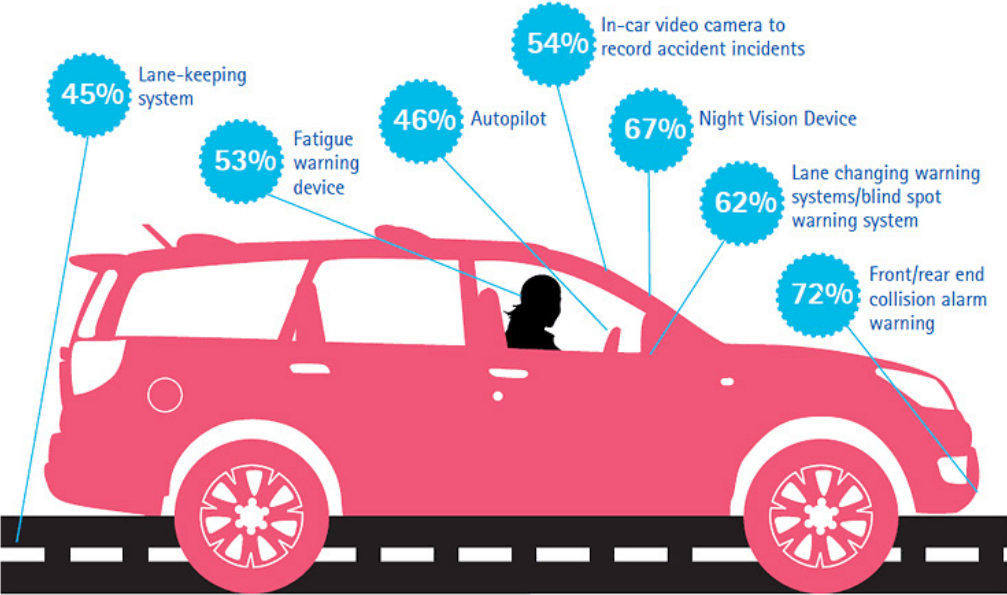
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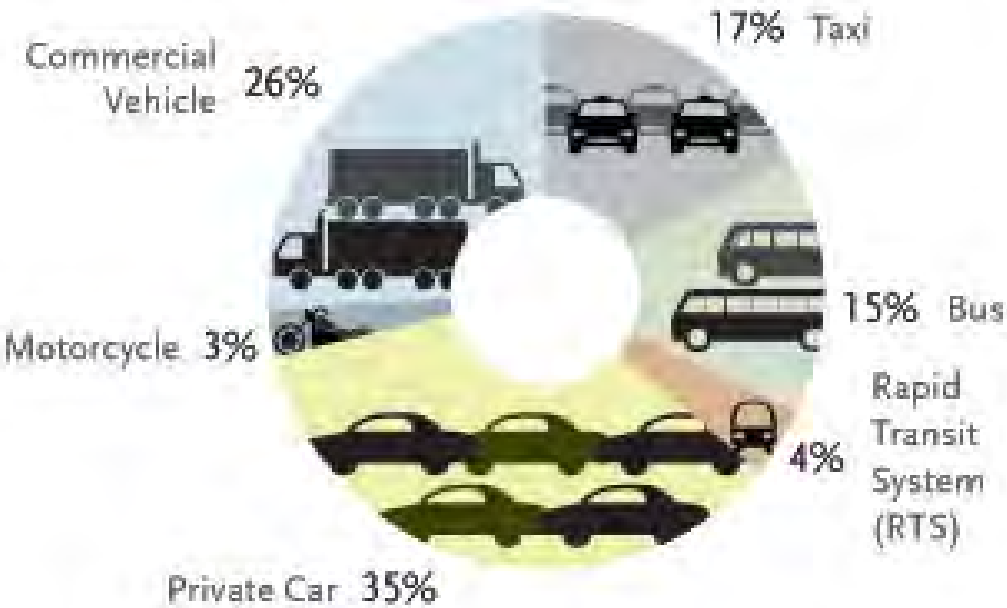
Which of the information technologies/driving support systems listed below would you like to use in your car?



Vehicular Emissions Scheme

	Band				
	A1	A2	B	C1	C2
Carbon dioxide (g/km)	≤90	>90 to ≤125	>125 to ≤160	>160 to ≤185	>185
Hydrocarbons (g/km)	≤0.02	>0.02 to ≤0.036	>0.036 to ≤0.052	>0.052 to ≤0.075	>0.075
Carbon monoxide (g/km)	≤0.15	>0.15 to ≤0.19	>0.19 to ≤0.27	>0.27 to ≤0.35	>0.35
Nitrogen oxides (g/km)	≤0.007	>0.007 to ≤0.013	>0.013 to ≤0.024	>0.024 to ≤0.03	>0.03
Particulate matter (mg/km)	=0.0	>0.0 to ≤0.3	>0.3 to ≤0.5	>0.5 to ≤2.0	>2.0
Rebate/surcharge (-/+) for cars	-\$20,000	-\$10,000	Neutral	+\$10,000	+\$20,000
Rebate/surcharge (-/+) for taxis	-\$30,000	-\$15,000	Neutral	+\$15,000	+\$30,000

Source: NATIONAL ENVIRONMENT AGENCY
STRAITS TIMES GRAPHICS



Source: Ministry of Transport.



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Consumer Electronics Show (CES) Eureka Park Climate Change Innovator Award winner for 2018

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There are an estimated 263 million registered vehicles in the U.S. and 1.2 billion registered vehicles globally.

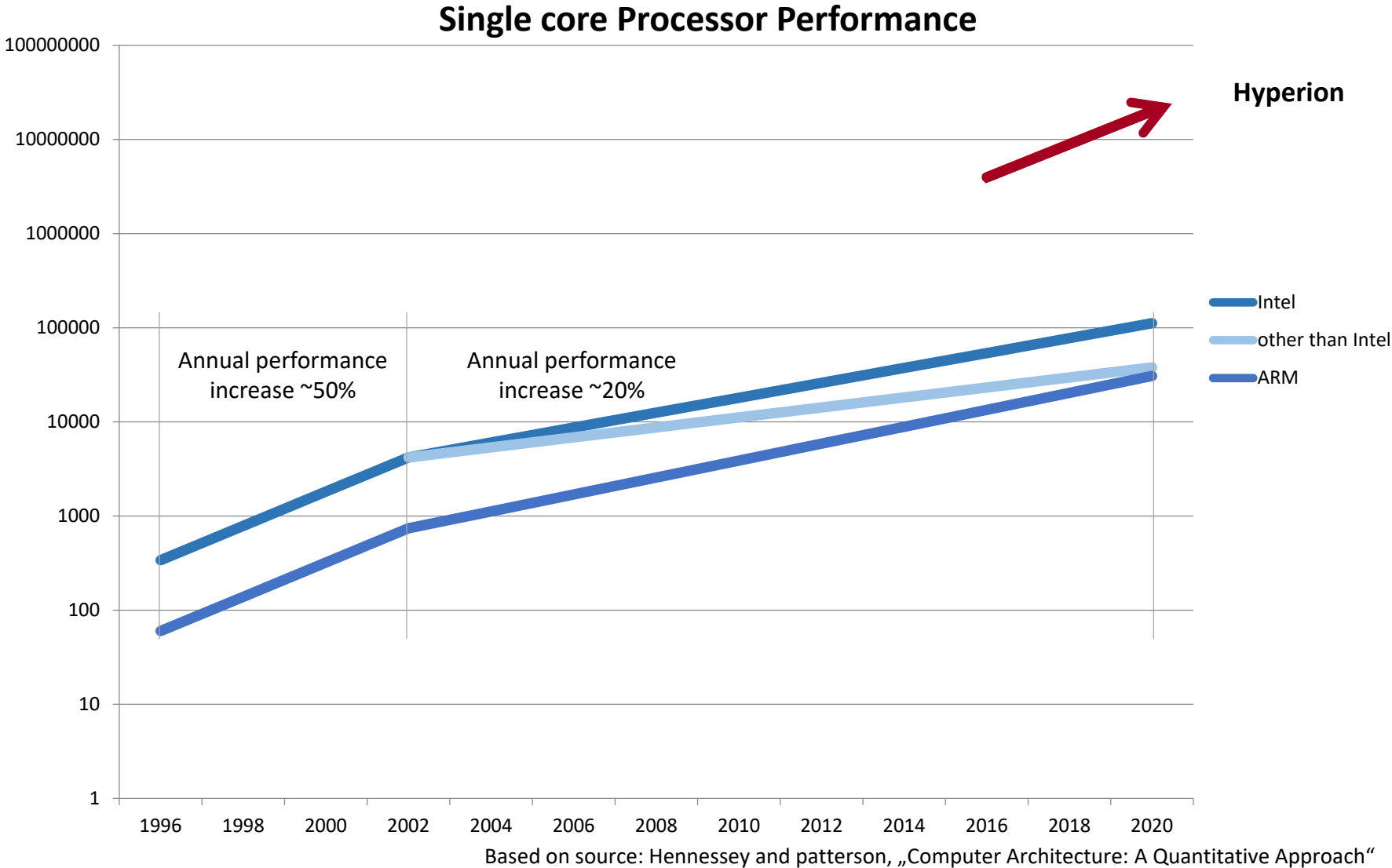
Wi-NO_xTM MONITORING SYSTEM



- IoT capability allows for collection of the NO_x data continuously (or at pre-specified intervals)
- Backup data is stored on-board in the sensor readout electronics

- Data is simultaneously transmitted over the communications network to a cloud-based database for real-time smart NO_x monitoring

These mega trends demand for new microprocessors with new architecture.



Hyperion-Core offers a new start with its Polymorphous Processor Platform. It increases processing power by up to 100-times while protecting the worldwide Software infrastructure. Based on the modern RISC-V ISA it fits into the growing RISC-V ecosystem.

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- **Array of Processing Elements (PEs)**

- Replacing superscalar row of Execution Units, Reservation Stations and Reorder-Buffer
- Distributed Register File formed by PE result registers

- **Two major processing modes:**

- 1) **Superscalar Out-of-Order**

- Instruction window equals size of array
- High ILP, only limited by data availability

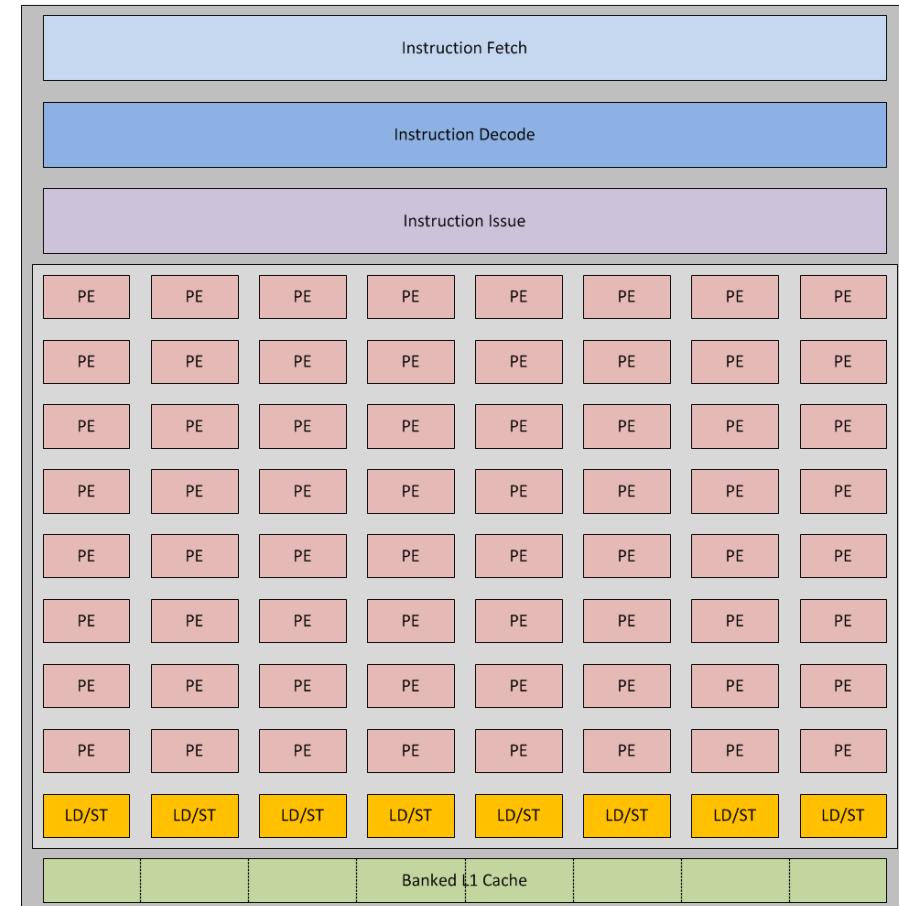
- 2) **Loop Acceleration**, fully pipelined

- Semi-static for loop processing: issued instructions remain the same until loop is completed
- High ILP dataflow processing

- **Array shared by many threads**

- **Supporting all levels of parallelism:**

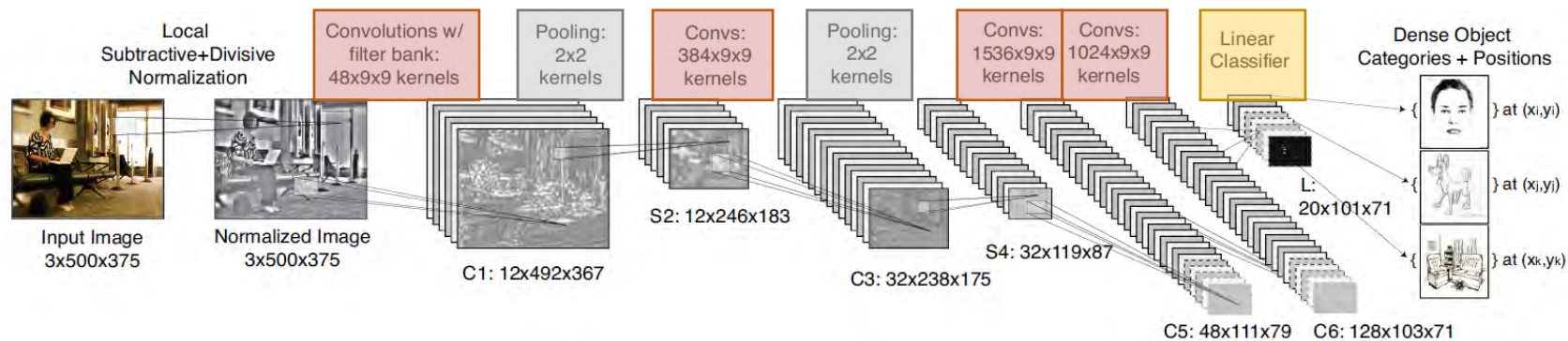
- Multi-core
- Superscalar
- Slot independent Out-of-Order processing
- Multi-Threading
- Deep Pipelining / Dataflow Loop Acceleration



85% data processing area

15% area overhead for housekeeping

Convolutional Neural Networks, CNN on Hyperion



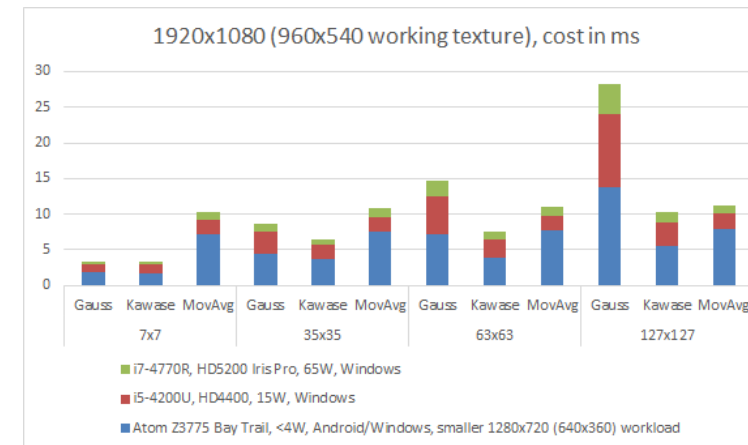
- **32 billion 7×7 convolutions per second**
- **512 billion 2×2 MaxPool per second**
- **206 million 3072×3 Linear Classifications per second**

Performance Comparison:

Time required to process a
7×7 convolution

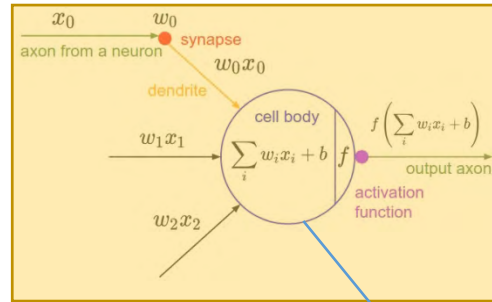
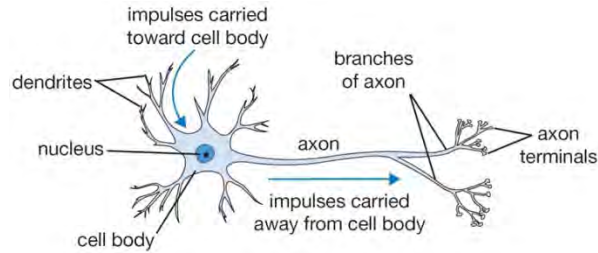
(Gauss filter on a 960×540 working texture):

- Intel i7-4770R/HD5200 : 385μs
- **Hyperion HC18 : 16μs**

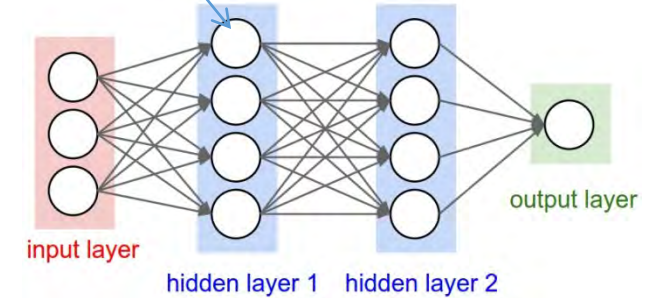


Source: Intel Developer Zone

Deep Neural Networks, DNN on Hyperion



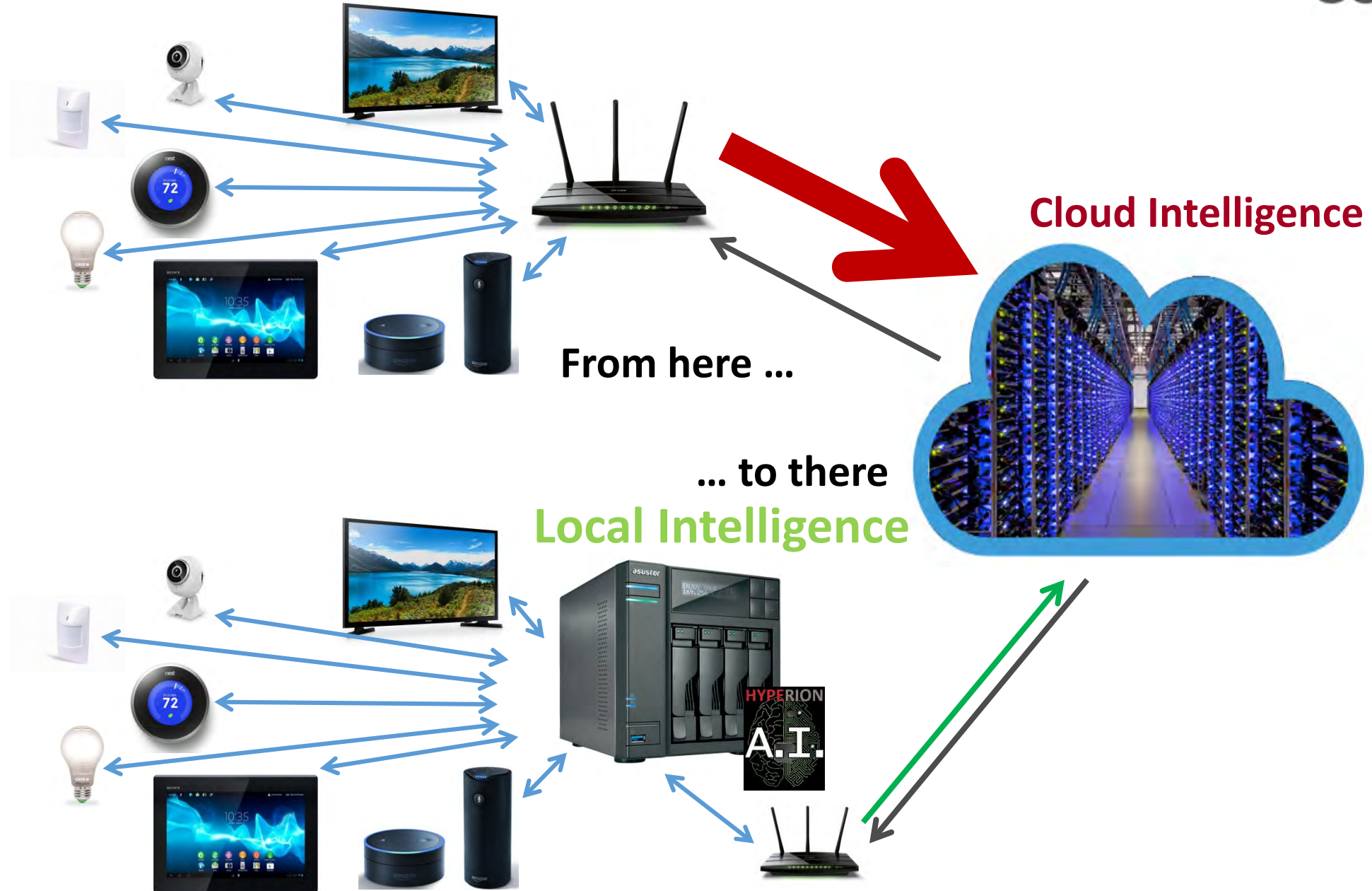
- **412 million Axons per second**
- equivalent to
- **4.08 TeraOps/sec**



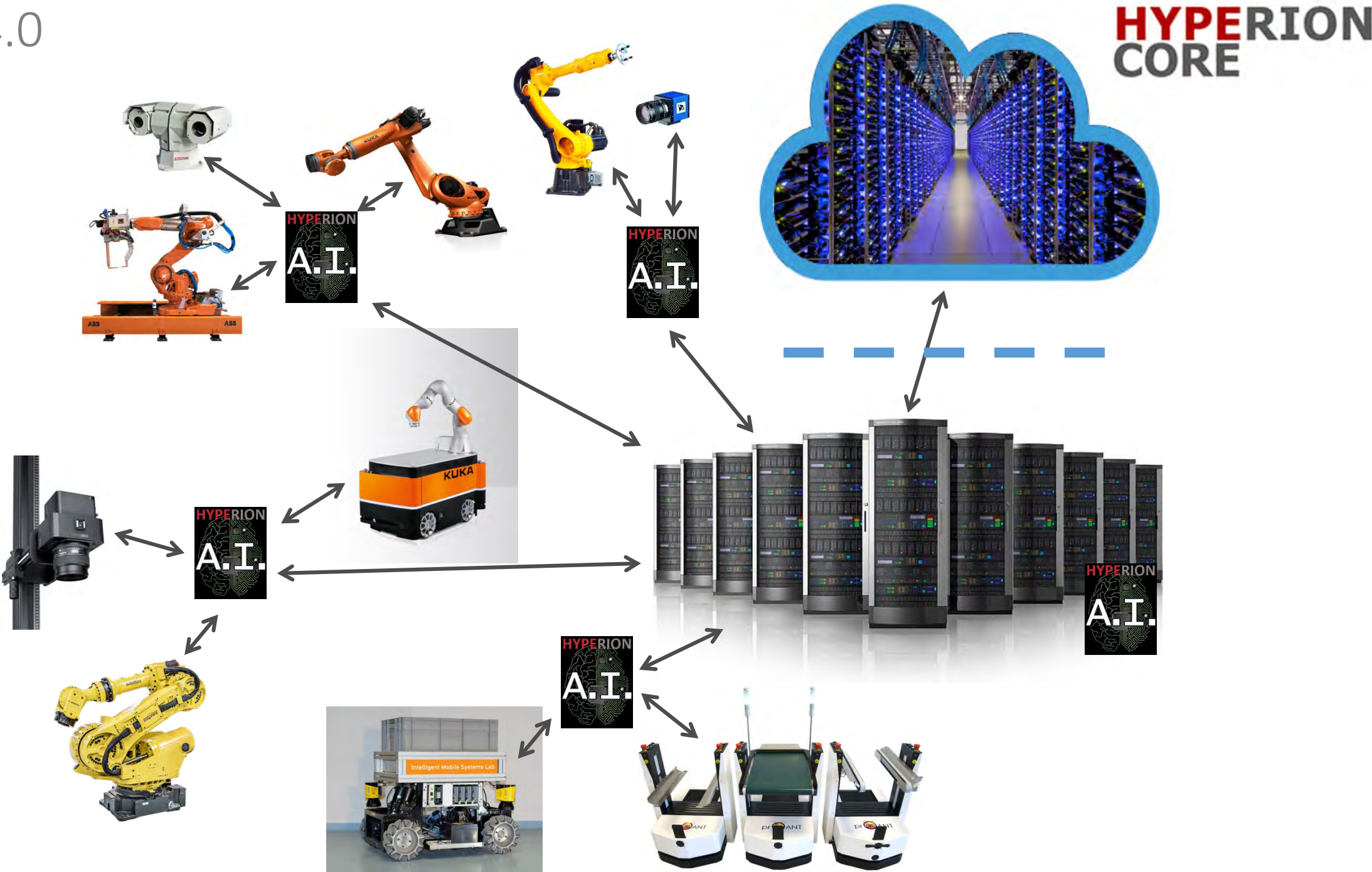
Compare to:

	MHz	TeraOps/s		Note
		8b	FP	
Intel Haswell E5-2699v3	2300	2.6	1.3	source: Google *)
NVidia K80	560		2.8	source: Google *)
Hyperion HC18	2000	4.1		

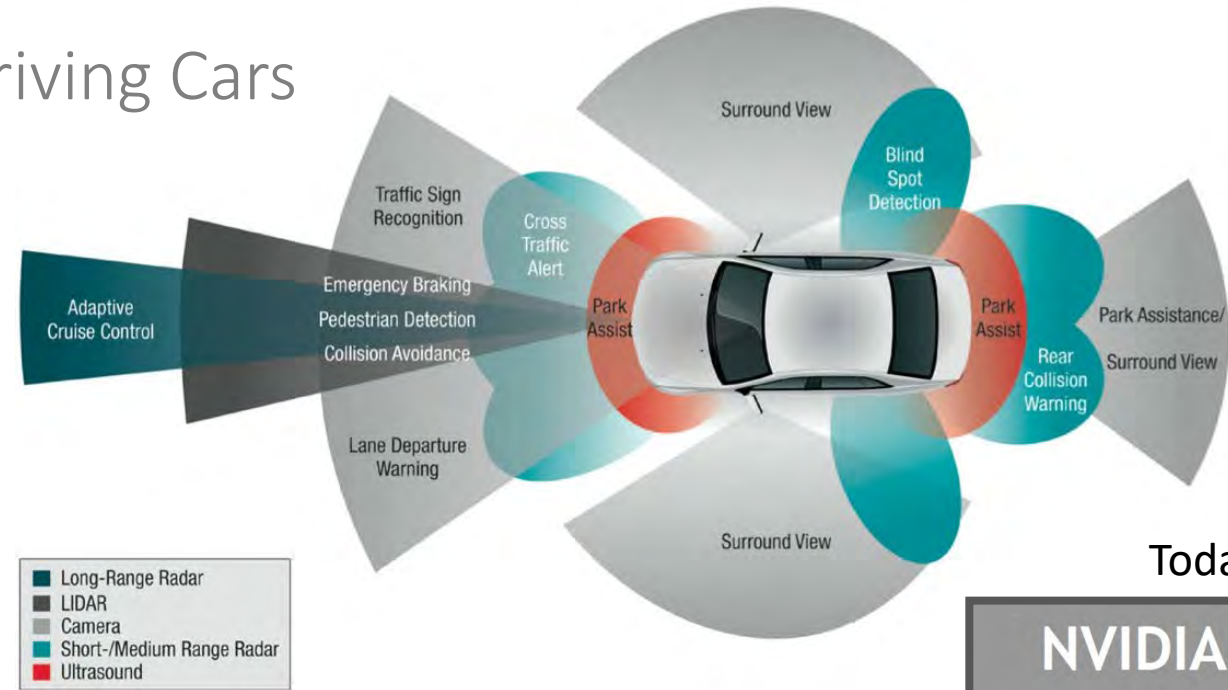
*) Source Google, In-Datacenter Performance Analysis of a Tensor Processing Unit



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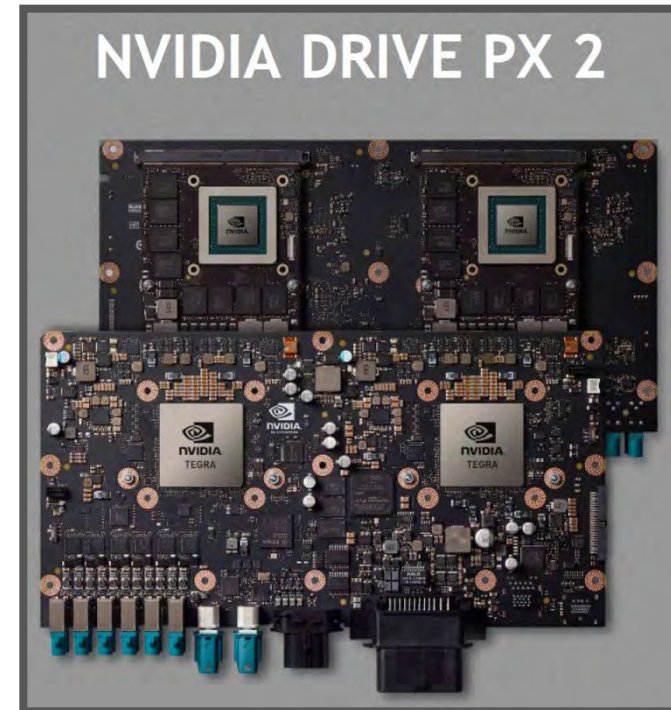
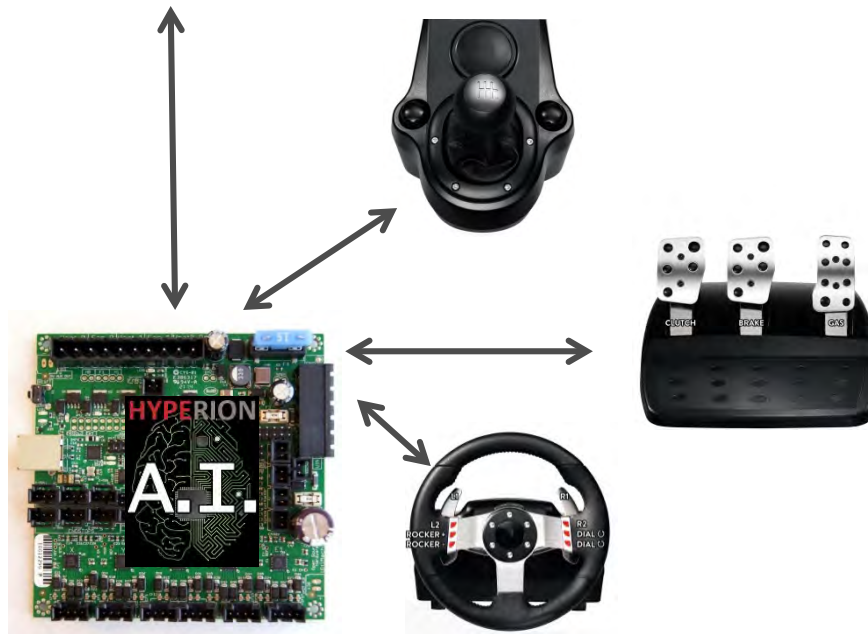


Self Driving Cars



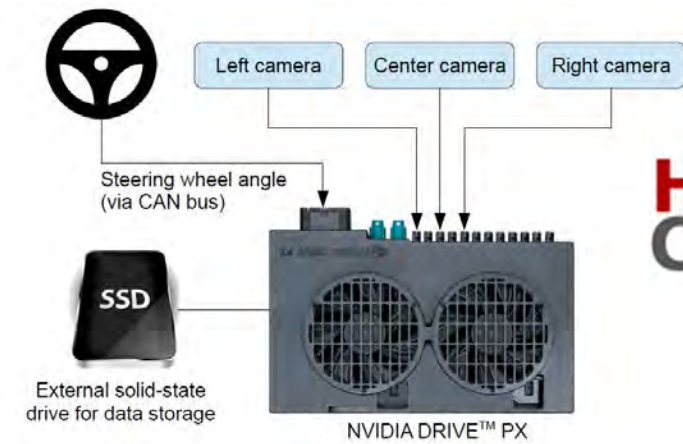
Today's *solution*

NVIDIA DRIVE PX 2

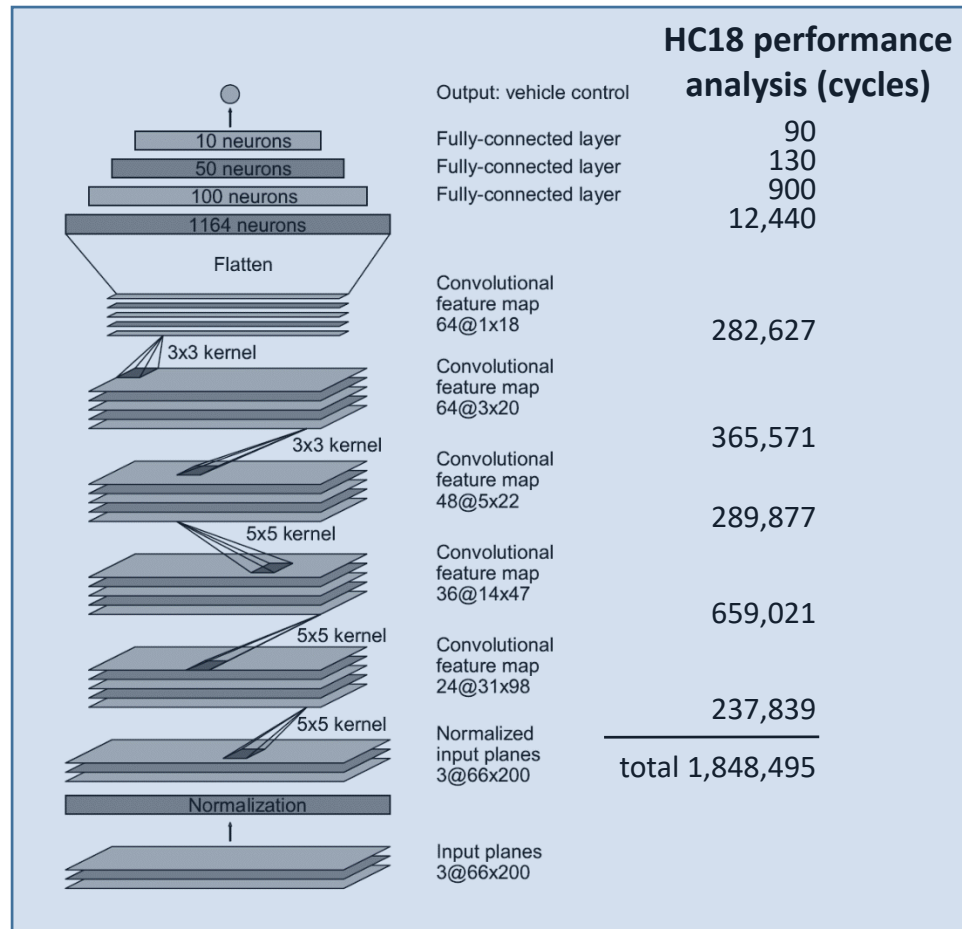


Self Driving Car

- Analysis based on NVIDIA's DAVE-2 project*)
- NVIDIA DRIVE PX platform
 - **Two Tegra X1 SoCs**



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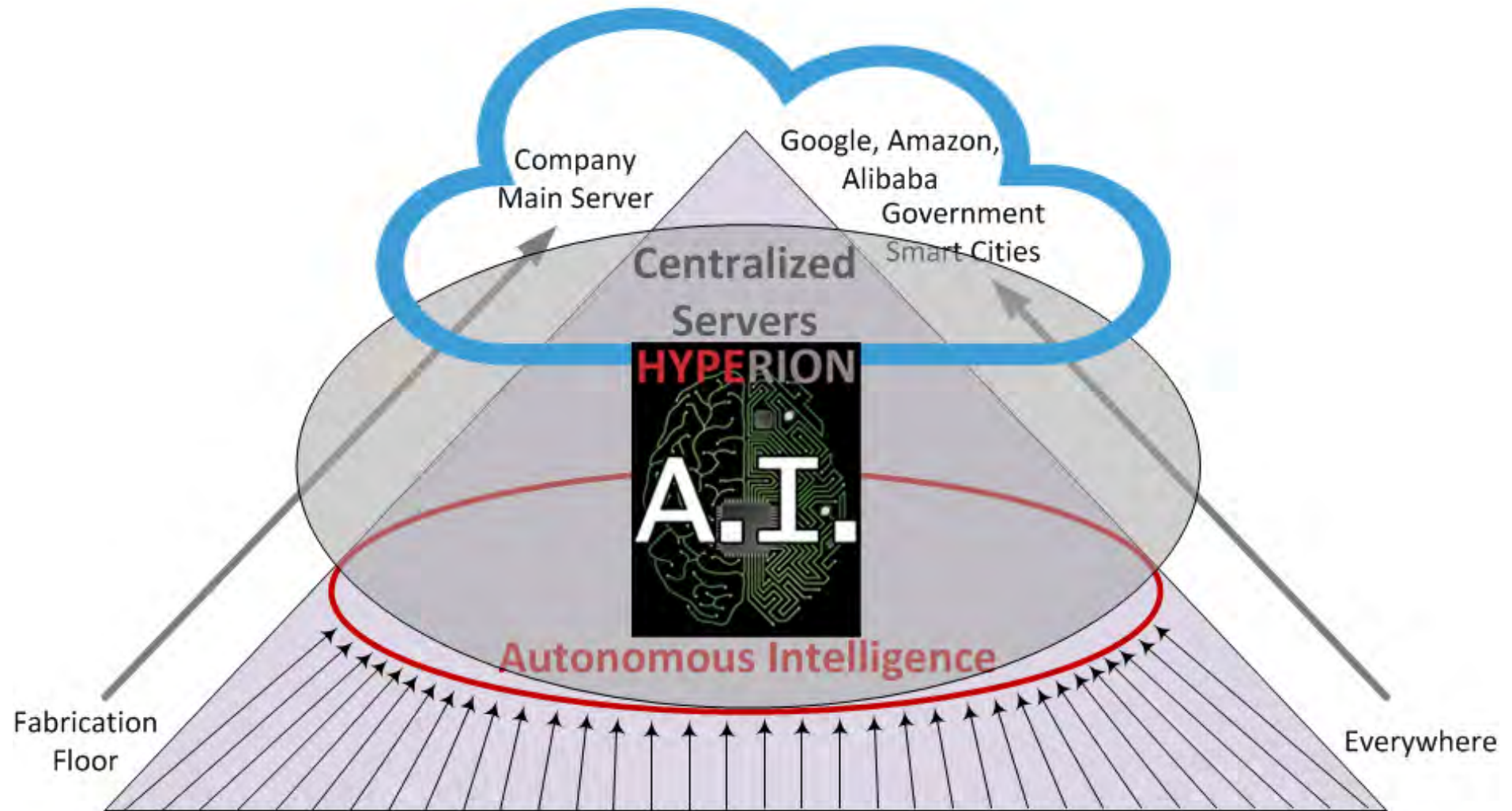


- Hyperion requirement analysis
 - All kernels fit on 32 PE array
 - 1,848,495 cycles required per frame
 - At 20MHz clock 93ms processing time
 - At 100MHz for 10fps (NVIDIA specification): 186ms
- **Hyperion Chip HC18-SDC**
 - **Small array of only 32 PEs**
 - **Clock frequency 100MHz**
 - **Cost: ~10USD**

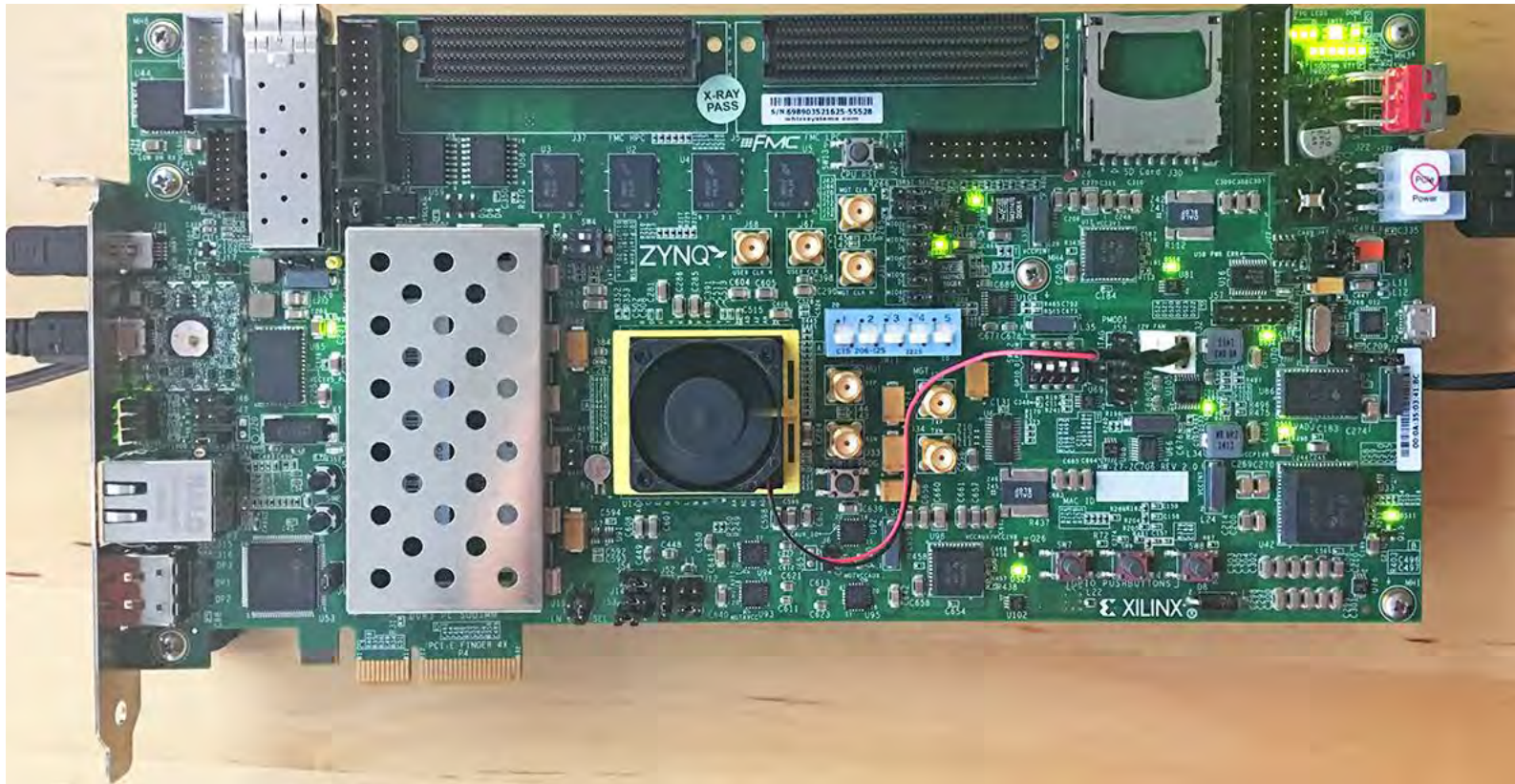
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The position

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FPGA-Prototype Implementation





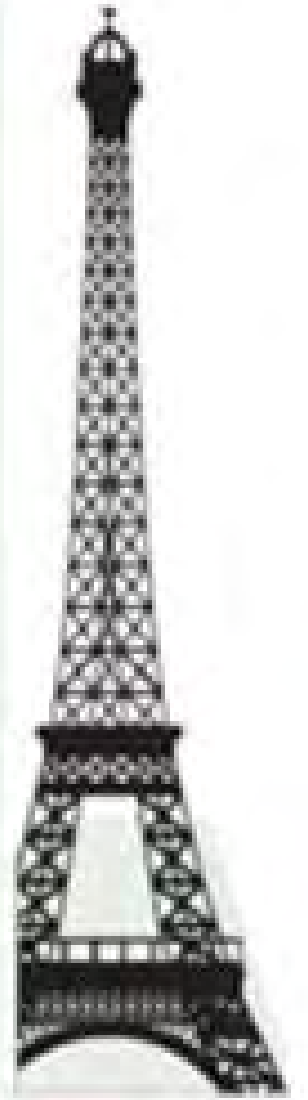


<http://www.straitstimes.com/singapore/steps-to-shrink-mountain-of-e-waste-through-better-recycling>

In 2016, **44.7** million metric tonnes
of e-waste were generated.

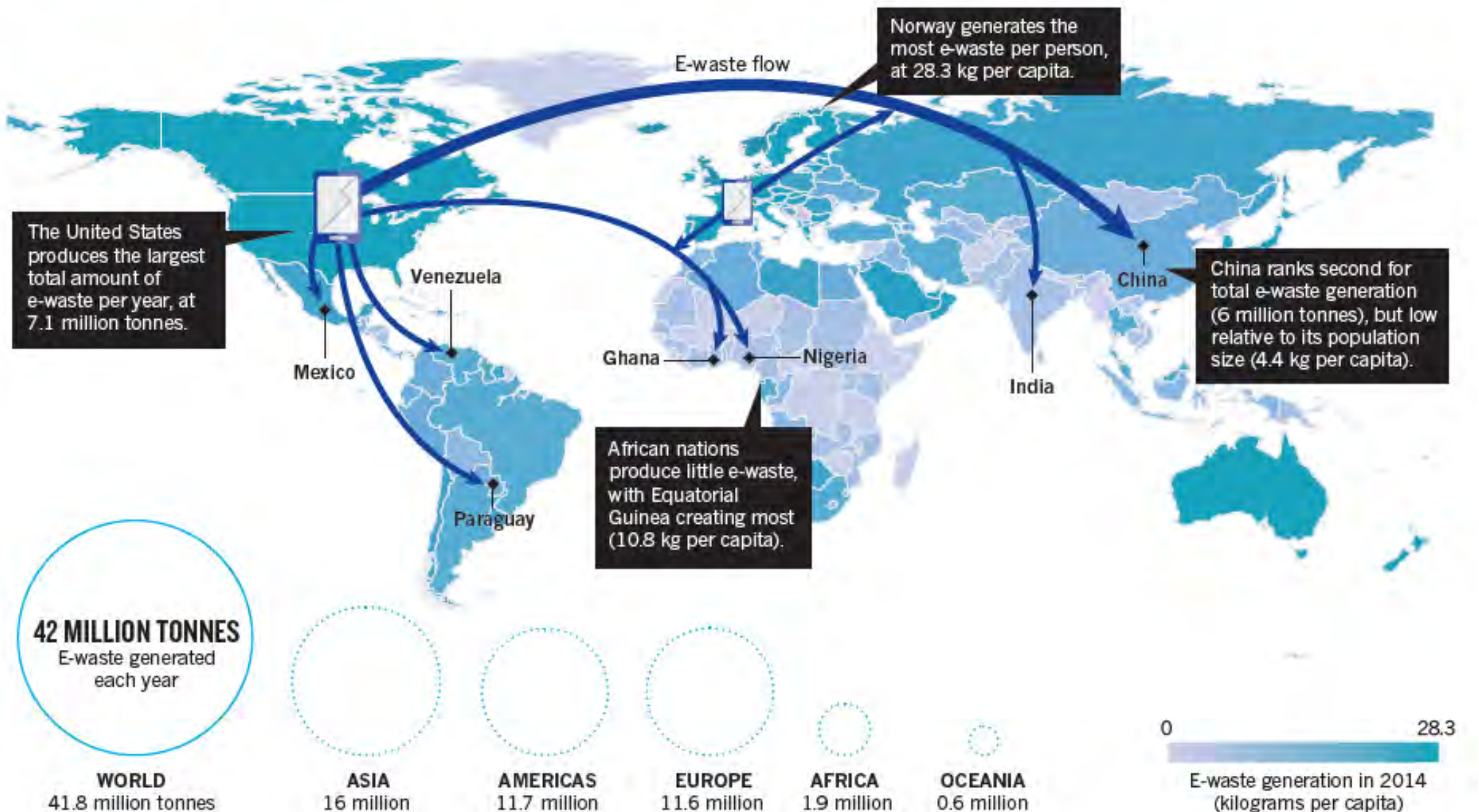
This is an equivalent of almost

4,500 Eiffel towers.



UNFAIR FLOW

Most electronic waste from developed countries ends up in poor nations that lack regulation. China processed around 70% of the world's e-waste in 2012; the rest goes to India and other countries in eastern Asia and Africa, including Nigeria.







officials had no idea that was the case.

Every day, some 3,700 shipping containers full of recyclables are trucked to US ports, loaded onto ships and sent to China. The items in those containers include plastics, metal, paper, cardboard, and textiles, which Chinese manufacturers use as raw materials, as Bloomberg News outlined in a report tracing the process.

The US exported some 37 million metric tons of scrap commodities valued at \$16.5 billion to 155 countries last year. China accounted for almost one-third of that total, about \$5.2 billion.

The State Council, China's Cabinet, however, announced on July 18 new regulations banning the import of foreign waste. On the same day, China notified the World Trade Organization that it will no longer accept imports of 24 types of solid waste.

The move will help reduce the health and environmental risks posed by the waste, and also free up more of China's large but somewhat chaotic recycling industry to tackle the rapid increase of solid waste produced by 1.3 billion Chinese themselves.

The US, China, Brazil, Japan and Germany are the leading generators of waste. The US produced about 228 million tons of waste in 2006, a figure that climbed to 254 million tons by 2013. China, which has a population four times the US, has caught up in recent years, producing 190 million tons of waste per year.



Sorting plastic bottles in China for recycling. Beijing banned the import of many recyclables as of Jan. 1. Right, a recycling center near Ascot, England. Experts say the immediate response to the crisis may be to turn to incineration or landfills.



Where to put all the rubbish China rejects?

LONDON

Rejection of many imports leaves recyclables piling up in heaps in other countries

BY KIMIKO DE FREYTA-TAMURA

Ever since China announced last year that it no longer wanted to be the "world's garbage dump," recycling about half of the globe's plastics and paper products, Western nations have been puzzling over what to do after the ban went into effect on Jan. 1.

The answer, to date, in Britain at least, is nothing. At least one waste disposal site in London already has a buildup of plastic recyclables and has had to pay to have some of it removed.

Similar backlogs have been reported in Canada, Ireland, Germany and several other European nations, while tons of rubbish is piling up in port cities like Hong Kong.

Steve Frank, of Pioneer Recycling in Oregon, owns two plants that collect and sort 220,000 tons of recyclable materials each year. A majority was until recently exported to China. "My inventory is out of control," he said.

China's ban, Mr. Frank said, has caused "a major upset of the flow of global recyclables."

Now, he said, he is hoping to export waste to countries like Indonesia, India, Vietnam, Malaysia — "anywhere we can" — but "they can't make up the difference."

In Britain, Jacqueline O'Donovan, managing director of O'Donovan Waste Disposal, said that "the market has completely changed" since China's decision took effect. Her company collects and disposes of about 70,000 tons of plastic trash every year, she said, and expects "huge bottlenecks across the whole of England" in the coming months.

Britain's prime minister, Theresa May, pledged on Thursday to eliminate avoidable wastes within 25 years. In a prepared speech, she urged supermarkets to introduce plastic-free aisles where all the food is loose.

The European Union, for its part, plans to propose a tax on plastic bags and packaging, citing the China ban and the health of the oceans among other reasons.

Those measures might help ease the situation some day, but for now Britain is faced with growing piles of recyclables and no place to put them. Experts say the immediate response to the crisis may well be to turn to incineration or

landfills — both harmful to the environment.

China's ban covers imports of 24 kinds of solid waste, including unsorted paper and the low-grade polyethylene terephthalate used in plastic bottles, as part of a broad cleanup effort and a campaign against "yanglaji," or "foreign garbage." It also sets new limits on the levels of impurities in other recyclables.

China had been processing at least half of the world's exports of waste paper, metals and used plastic.

China had been processing at least half of the world's exports of waste paper, metals and used plastic — 7.3 million tons in 2016, according to recent industry data. Last July, China notified the World Trade Organization that it intended to ban some imports of trash, saying the action was needed to protect the environment and improve public health.

"Large amounts of dirty wastes or even hazardous wastes are mixed in the solid waste that can be used as raw materials," Beijing wrote to the W.T.O. "This polluted China's environment seriously."

Chinese officials also complained that much of the recyclable material the country received from overseas had not been properly cleaned or was mixed with non-recyclable materials.

The sudden change has left Western countries scrambling to deal with a buildup of plastic and paper garbage while looking for new markets for the waste.

"It's not just a U.K. problem," said Simon Ellin, chief executive of the Recycling Association in Britain. "The rest of the world is thinking, 'What can we do?' It's tough times."

In Halifax, Nova Scotia, which sent 80 percent of its recycling to China, Matthew Kellier, the city's manager of solid waste, said he had largely found alternatives to accept plastic, except for the low-grade plastic film that is used to make shopping bags and for wrapping. Stockpiles of those plastics have so exceeded the city's storage capacity that Halifax had to get special permission to bury about 300 metric tons of the material in a landfill.

In Calgary, Alberta, which sent 50 percent of its plastics and 100 percent of its mixed papers to China, the material is being stockpiled in empty storage sheds, shipping containers, trailers and warehouses since last fall. So far, 5,000 tons has been collected. Sharon How-

land, the city's lead manager of waste and recycling services, told the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation.

The material is "a sellable resource, so we will store them as long as we can and evaluate our options from there," she said.

In Britain, the political class appeared caught by surprise.

When asked in front of lawmakers about the impending ban last month, Environment Secretary Michael Gove fumbled: "I don't know what impact it will have. It is something to which — I will be completely honest — I have not given sufficient thought."

Pollution from plastics has captured global attention in recent years. A new David Attenborough series on the BBC, "Blue Planet II," has shown plastic bags and bottles clogging oceans and killing fish, turtles and other marine wildlife, prompting governments to put in place more stringent rules.

Every year, Britain sends China enough recyclables to fill up 10,000 Olympic-size swimming pools, according to Greenpeace U.K. The United States exports more than 13.2 million tons of scrap paper and 1.42 million tons of scrap plastics annually to China, the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries has reported. That is the sixth-largest American export to China.

"There may be alternative markets, but they're not ready today," said Emmanuel Karakakis, the secretary general of the European Recycling Industries' Confederation in Brussels.

Mr. Karakakis dismissed China's claims that all imported scrap waste contained high levels of contaminants, and said that Beijing's thresholds for most types of scrap were "far more demanding" than in Europe or the United States. At the same time, he said, Europe has focused too much on collecting plastic waste and shipping it out, and not enough on encouraging manufacturers to use it in new products.

"We've got to start producing less and we've got to produce better-quality recyclable goods," Mr. Ellin said.

Too often, he said, manufacturers produce environmentally harmful products and then "pass the buck" to retailers, who in turn pass it in local councils to pick up the tab to sort out the waste for recycling.

"What's happened is that the final link in the supply chain has turned around and said, 'Yes, we're not going to take this poor-quality stuff anymore. Keep it for yourself.'"

Jan Austen contributed reporting from Ottawa, and Catherine Porter from Toronto.

Investigators arriving at the Lactalis group headquarters yesterday to conduct searches at the Laval, western France, location. The investigation follows a baby milk that has sickened dozens of children and led to a major international recall by the dairy giant. PHOTO: AGENCE FRANCE PRESSE

EU to ditch disposable plastic packaging by 2030

Packaging must be recyclable or reusable as China moves to ban import of waste products

STRASBOURG (France) • The European Union has unveiled plans for all plastic packaging in Europe to be recyclable by 2030 and to phase out single-use plastic like coffee cups to fight pollution.

The strategy announced on Tuesday by the European Commission follows China's decision to ban imports of foreign waste products for recycling, including huge quantities from Europe.

"The commission aims to increase plastic recycling and for all plastic packaging to be reusable or recyclable by 2030," the EU's executive body said.

The commission said its proposals also aim to create business opportunities by transforming the way plastic products are designed, produced and recycled in Europe.

The EU currently exports half of its collected and sorted plastics, 85 per cent of which goes to China.

Commission First Vice-President Frans Timmermans said: "We must stop plastics getting into our water, our food and even our bodies. The only long-term solution is to reduce plastic waste by recycling and reusing more."

"The Chinese decision is undoubtedly a big challenge but let's turn that challenge into an opportunity," he added.

The commission's strategy aims to rid the seas and oceans of the "700kg" of plastics it says gets washed up each day, and it "will take measures to limit the use of microplastics" found in cosmetics and detergents.

Proposed new rules on ports and the shipping industry are aimed at making sure waste generated at sea by ships is not released into the water. An additional €100 million

(\$162 million) was also promised to fund research into technical innovations for tackling the problem.

The commission has already taken a number of steps to try to reduce plastic, particularly single-use shopping bags.

The proposals did not contain plans for a tax on plastic packaging, which Budget Commissioner Guenther Oettinger proposed last week to fight pollution and to help plug a hole of around €13 billion in the bloc's budget caused by Brexit.

"We have not found a way to introduce a European-wide plastic tax yet," Vice-President Jyrki Katainen, who is responsible for jobs and investment, told reporters. "It is too early to promise anything."

Britain's Prince Charles and others held an EU-backed conference last year for drastic action to stop eight million tonnes of plastic waste polluting the world's oceans annually.

The commission said Europeans generate 25 million tonnes of plastic waste annually, but less than 30 per cent is collected for recycling.

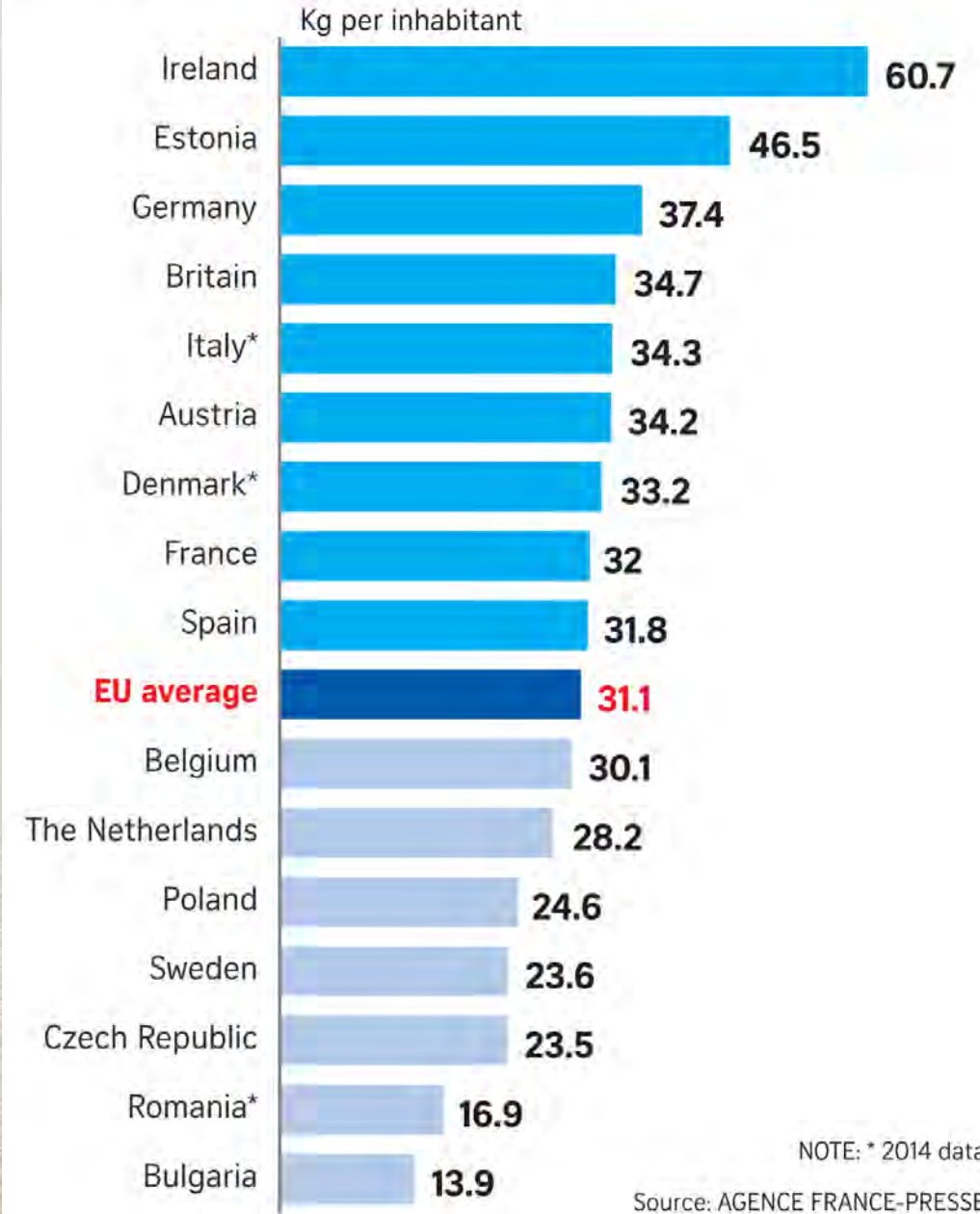
Mr Timmermans called for promoting awareness, urging parents to tell their children that a plastic straw takes only a second to produce but 500 years to degrade, and said the commission ultimately wants to ban microplastics.

Mr Katainen said the strategy is "a great opportunity for European industry to develop global leadership in new technology and materials".

He added Europe does not yet have a functioning single recycling market for plastic as there are no set standards.

According to Plastics Europe, the Brussels-based association of European plastics manufacturers, the in-

Plastic waste generated in 2015



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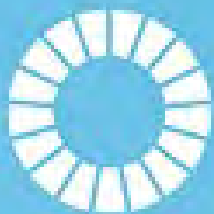
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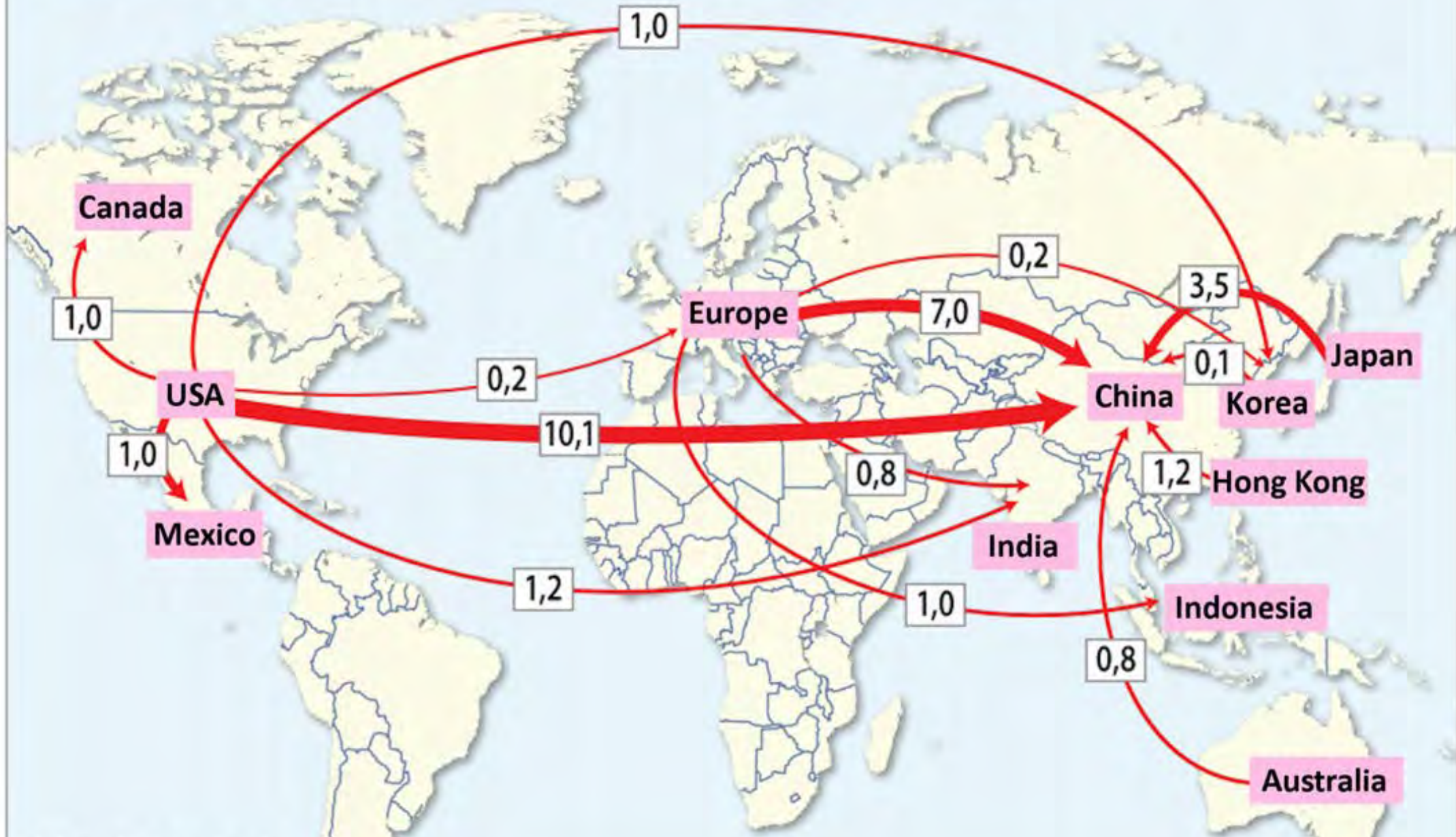
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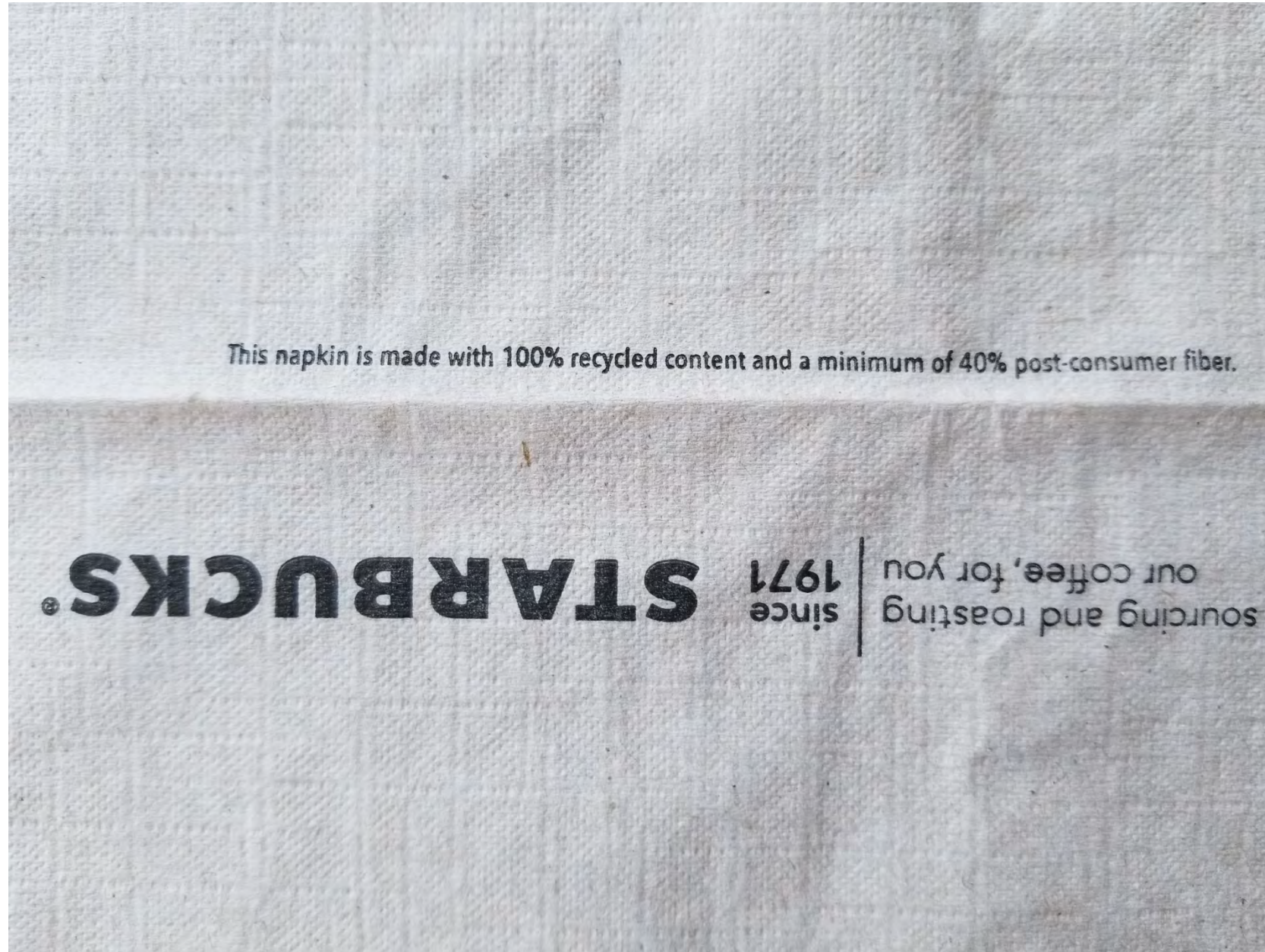
Long distance global flows of used paper 2010 (in million tons)



Stacks of paper waste at a dock in Hong Kong, after China imposed a ban on imports of 24 types of rubbish, including unsorted scrap paper, in July 2017. PHOTO: REUTERS

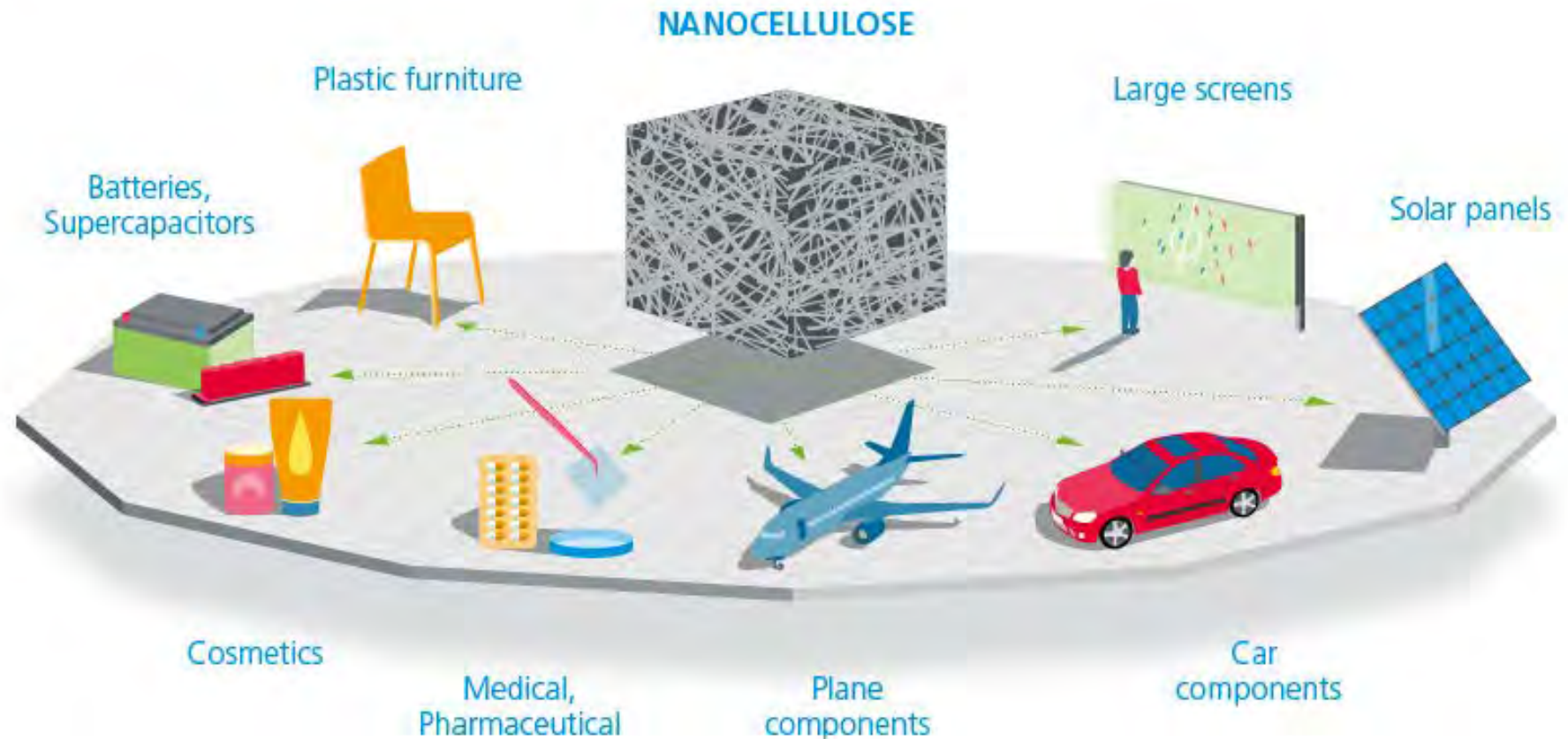


Waste Paper as a High Value Add Resource



Waste Paper as a High Value Add Resource

Potential nanocellulose applications



Lisa Jackson

Vice President, Environmental Initiatives

Lisa Jackson is Apple's vice president of Environmental Initiatives, reporting to CEO Tim Cook.

Lisa oversees Apple's efforts to minimize its impact on the environment by addressing climate change through renewable energy and energy efficiency, using greener materials, and inventing new ways to conserve precious resources. Apple has led the industry in powering all its data centers with 100 percent renewable energy and removing many harmful substances from its products.

From 2009 to 2013, Lisa served as Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Appointed by President Barack Obama, she focused on reducing greenhouse gases, protecting air and water quality, preventing exposure to toxic contamination, and expanding outreach to communities on environmental issues. She has also served as Chief of Staff to New

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What happens when we recycle a laptop?





More than 60,000 tonnes of e-waste is generated in Singapore each year, but just a fraction gets recycled. When recycled properly, e-waste like laptops can yield a trove of materials which can be used to make new products.

LCD panel
Plastic and glass from the LCD panels end up at glass and plastic recycling plants where they are processed.

Metal housing and component
Metals like copper, aluminium and steel are extracted from the external structure and electrical components of the laptop.

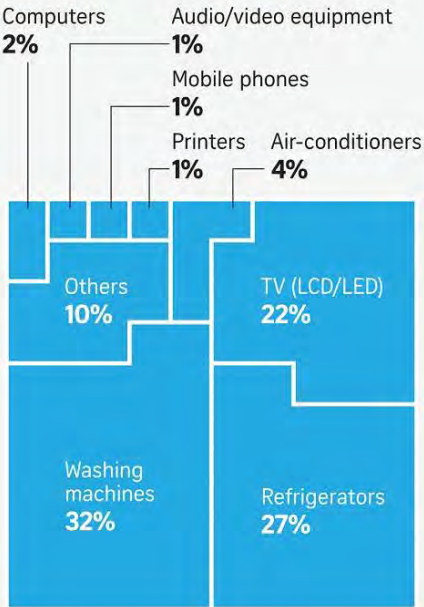
Plastic housing
Plastic found in the external structure of a laptop is turned into pellets by plastic recycling plants, which can be used to make plastic bags, bottles and other items.

Printed circuit board
Precious metals like gold, silver, platinum and palladium are extracted, melted and then turned into ingots.

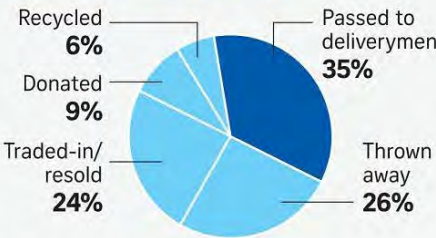


E-waste facts and figures

Types of e-waste (by weight)



Disposal pattern (by weight)



About 60,000 tonnes

of e-waste is generated a year. This is equivalent to the weight of **220** A380 planes.

About 11kg

of e-waste – equal in weight to 73 mobile phones – is discarded by each person a year.

What happens to e-waste in Singapore



- A 2017 global report estimates that the world generated 44.7 million tonnes of e-waste in 2016 – equal in weight to almost

9 Great Pyramids of Giza.



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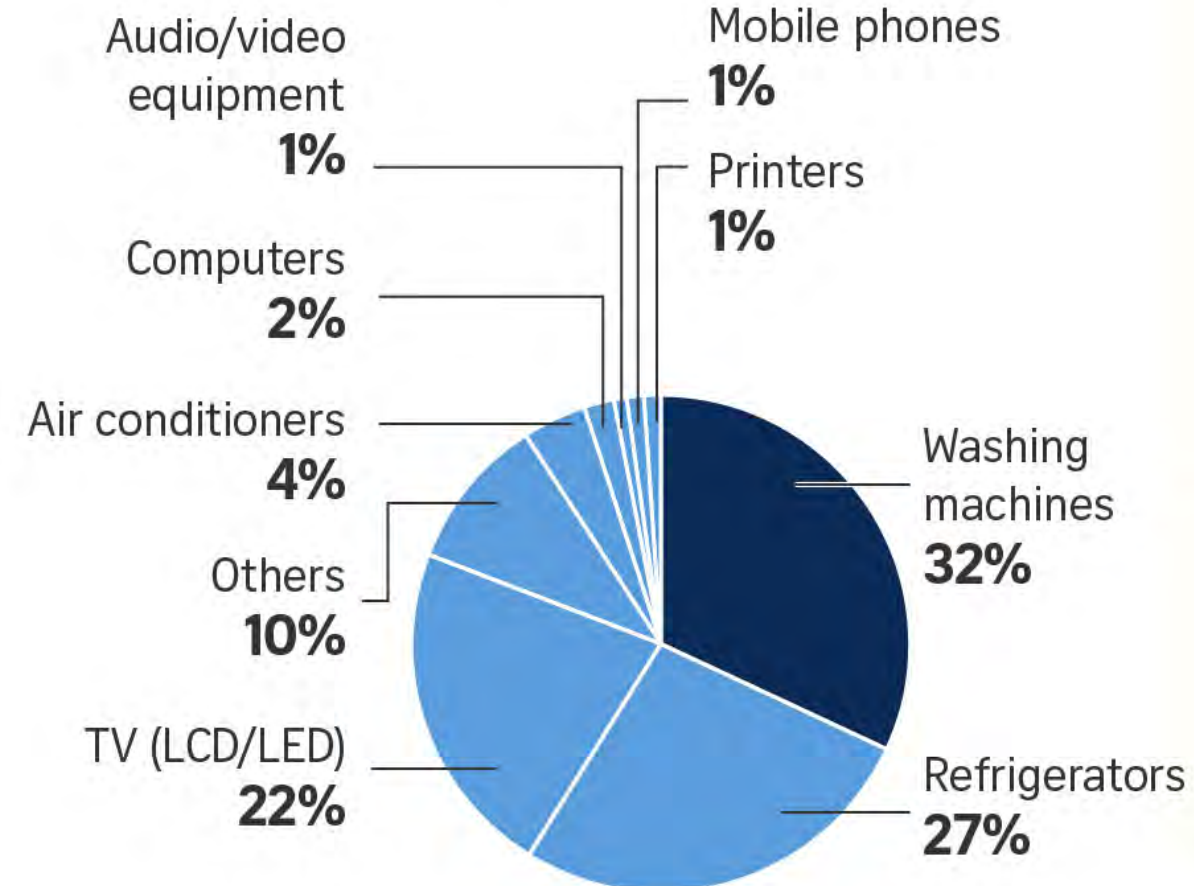


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Types of e-waste (by weight)



AN NEA SURVEY FOUND 60% OF CONSUMERS SAID THEY DON'T KNOW OR ARE UNSURE OF HOW TO RECYCLE THEIR E-WASTE. E-WASTE IS NORMALLY:



• **Traded-in/
re-sold**

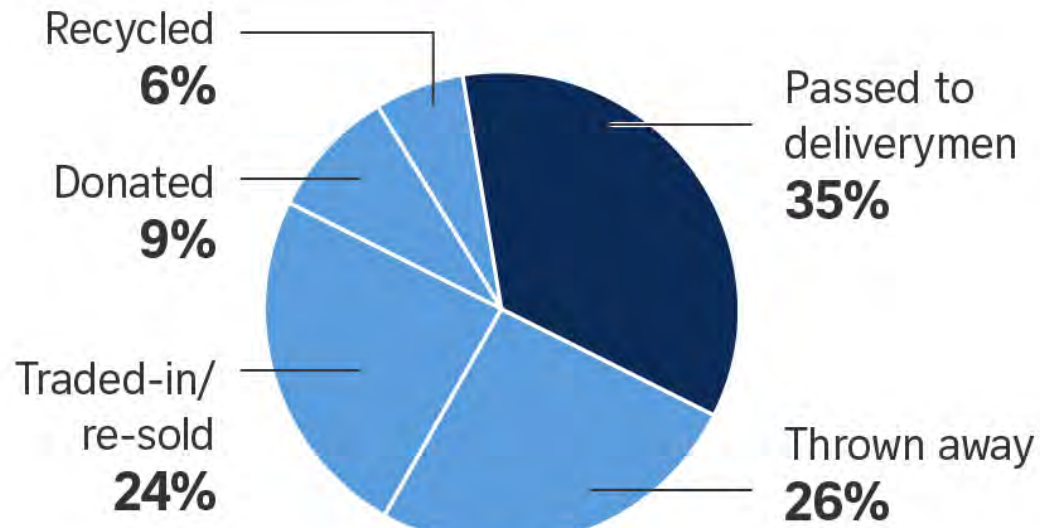


• **Thrown
away**



• **Passed to
deliverymen**

Disposal pattern (by weight)



CHANNELLING E-WASTE TO REPUTABLE E-WASTE RECYCLERS WILL BENEFIT THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE PUBLIC, AS THIS:

- Keeps valuable resources out of the waste of the stream.
- Conserves our planet's finite resources.
- Ensures harmful substances are not released into the environment.
- Grows our green economy and local employment opportunities.
- Helps fight climate change.
- Reduces strain on Singapore's waste disposal facilities and frees up land for better quality of life for residents.

Source: NATIONAL ENVIRONMENT AGENCY
STRAITS TIMES GRAPHICS

The waste from electrical and electronic equipment, or e-waste, is the fastest-growing waste stream globally.

According to an e-waste directive of Europe, the diverse categories include large household appliances, small household appliances, IT and telecommunications equipment, consumer equipment, lighting equipment, electrical and electronic tools, toys, leisure and sports equipment, medical devices, monitoring and control instruments, and automatic dispensers. Smartphones, wearables and driverless vehicles are more recent examples.

The increased number of devices, intentionally designed for shorter life cycles, are resulting in rapid growth of e-waste worldwide. Growing affluence, consumerism, and hasty discarding for newer models are contributing to the exponential growth of e-waste.

Singapore, with 20kg e-waste per capita, is among the leading generators in the region, and comparable to the other high-income countries around the world.

The National Environmental Agency (NEA) estimates about 60,000 tonnes of e-waste is generated in Singapore every year. About 70 million tonnes of e-waste is generated globally per year. China is the largest producer as well as recipient of e-waste.

E-waste is shipped to the lowest destinations for re-use, dismantling and parts re-use, incineration, and land-fill. E-waste contains toxic substances.

Its informal disposal and low-technology recycling generates toxic pollutants and heavy metals harmful to the ecosystem. Considering the adverse effects on environment and human health, barriers are coming up for e-waste movement across borders.

For example, this year China banned incoming shipments of over 20 types of solid waste.

On the other hand, e-waste contains valuable metals, and simply discarding amounts to wastage of precious resource.

E-products approximately use 100 per cent of the indium, 72 per cent of the ruthenium, 50 per cent of the tin, 44 per cent of the copper, 34 per cent of the silver, and 22 per cent of the selenium mined globally every year.

Recovering raw materials from e-waste is an effective solution to mitigate increasing costs of new raw materials.

Moreover, recycling reduces the amount of greenhouse gas emissions caused by the manufacturing of products from all new raw materials.

Pyro-metallurgical and chemical methods are employed to recover valuable metals. Environmentally benign biotechnology processes using genetically engineered microorganisms are being developed.

S'pore should aim to be model country for e-waste management



Notable effort... E-waste recycling bin located at Singapore malls to encourage shoppers and tenants to adopt electronic waste recycling. PHOTO: CAPTAIN/AG



innovation
SURESH
RAMAKRISHNA

Traditional e-waste management involves collection of waste, pre-processing and end-processing for recovery of high-value metals.

With global movement towards the circular economy, innovations in terms of more efficient recycling direct reuse after the end of life cycle, reuse after repair, and remanufacturing are being pursued.

This requires sophisticated e-waste management systems.

A common feature of e-waste management systems overseas is the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) concept, which holds the manufacturers and importers to be responsible for the collection and environmentally sound disposal of e-waste from consumers.

For example, in Germany, Korea and Taiwan, the costs of e-waste collection and disposal are borne by the manufacturers, importers and retailers.

In Switzerland and Japan, the costs are borne by consumers.

China adopts EPR in a phased manner. Moreover, European Union set e-waste collection and

recycling targets for member states there by enabling viable e-waste recycling business.

New regulations in Europe and Japan restrict the use of specific hazardous substances in the products there by enhancing the recyclability of e-waste.

A notable recycling effort in Singapore is StarHub's RENEW programme, where about 400 e-waste bins are placed around the island.

This programme collected approximately 40 tonnes of e-waste in 2016.

While commendable, this is a small fraction of Singapore's total e-waste generated every year. Consumers as well as businesses are unaware of the need to properly dispose of their e-waste for recycling.

Diversity of e-waste is an obstacle for recycling. Emerging digital technologies provide an opportunity to overcome this challenge, and means to evaluate EPR implementation.

For example, wireless GPS location trackers are helpful in monitoring the flow of e-waste.

The massive data generated during the manufacturing, use and disposal fits the characteristics of Big Data.

RFID, QR, block chain, wireless sensor networks, internet of things

(IoT), cloud computing, Big Data business analytics, and Artificial Intelligence (AI) enable new ways to monitor, regulate and enforce rules on the movement of e-waste.

Privacy is another reason for current lower recycling rates, and requires further innovations in digital technologies.

Nathan collaborates on data collection for diverse waste characteristics and web-based materials flow analysis to match with recycling solutions.

There are abundant opportunities for innovations to enhance the recovery of valuables from the e-waste, and to eco-design products.

The environmentally sound management of e-waste is a complex activity. This requires bottom-up change as well as innovations on multiple fronts.

Effective e-waste management provides opportunities for creating new jobs. It enables Singapore to transition into a smart and liveable city, efficient, and green economy.

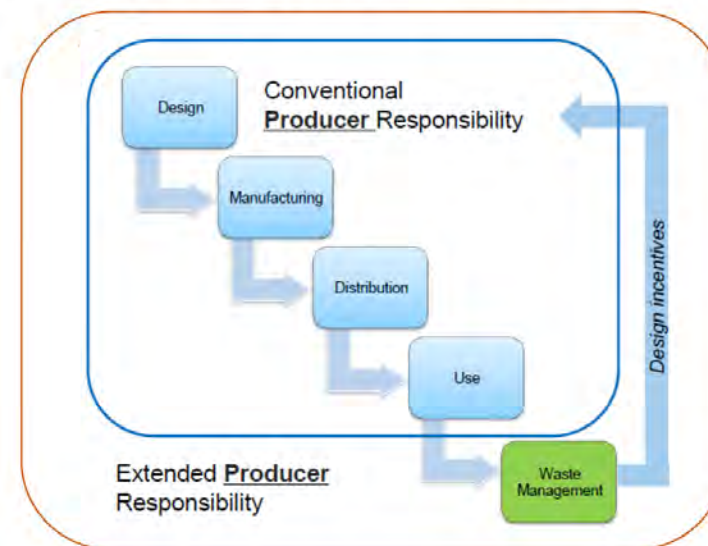
As the sustainable management of e-waste is a growing concern in all countries, Singapore can strive to provide an example to emulate.

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EXTENDED PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY (EPR)

Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) is a common feature amongst many systems:



Producers take physical and/or financial responsibility for the proper treatment or disposal or electrical & electronic products that have reached their end-of-life.

Environmental Services Industry Transformation Map

A vibrant, sustainable and professional environmental services industry for Singapore and growing cities



Cleaning Sector

- Office and commercial
- Food and beverage
- Conservancy

Waste Management Sector

- Waste collection
- Sorting and recycling
- Treatment and disposal



COMPANIES

>1,700



TOTAL WORKFORCE

>78,000

INDUSTRY TRANSFORMATION

Industry transformation will ensure that the industry remains competitive and attractive

DRIVING INNOVATION AND WIDESPREAD TECHNOLOGY ADOPTION

- Creating opportunities for technology collaboration and adaptation
- Helping companies access ready technology to develop new capabilities and address manpower challenges



UPSKILLING WORKFORCE TO TAKE ON BETTER JOBS

- Promoting a self-service culture and waste minimisation mindset to reduce service demand
- Improving work tasks through job redesign and use of technology
- Developing internship, apprenticeship and scholarship programmes to attract talent to the industry



IMPROVING PRODUCTIVITY

- Encouraging adoption of outcome-based contracts
- Driving procurement practices to focus on quality, technology use and productivity



CAPTURING VALUE OVERSEAS

- Enhancing export capabilities and market access
- Working with partners to offer integrated solutions



Linear Economy to Circular Economy

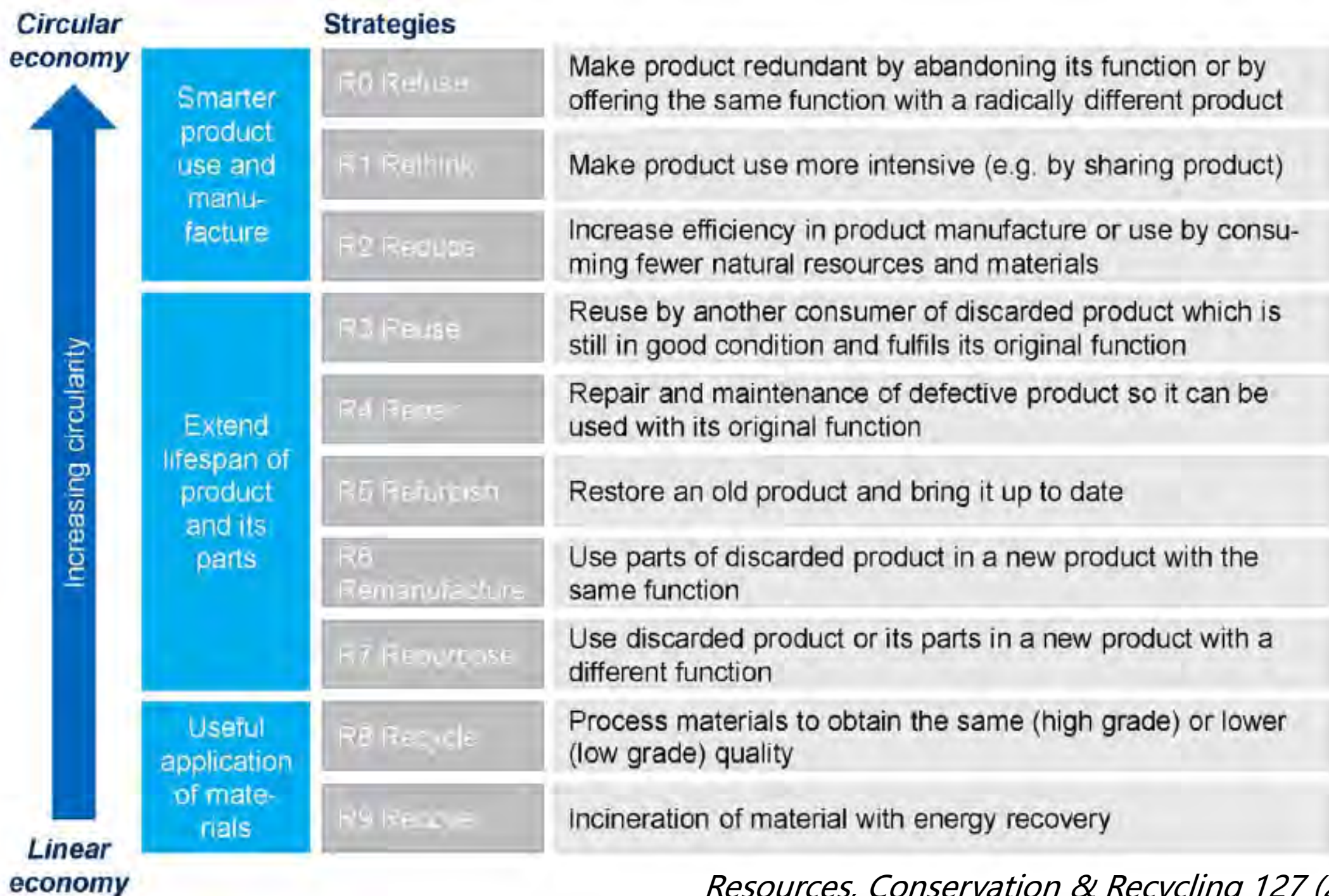


The CE concept is trending both among scholars and practitioners.

Over 100 articles were published on this topic in 2016, compared to ~30 articles in 2014

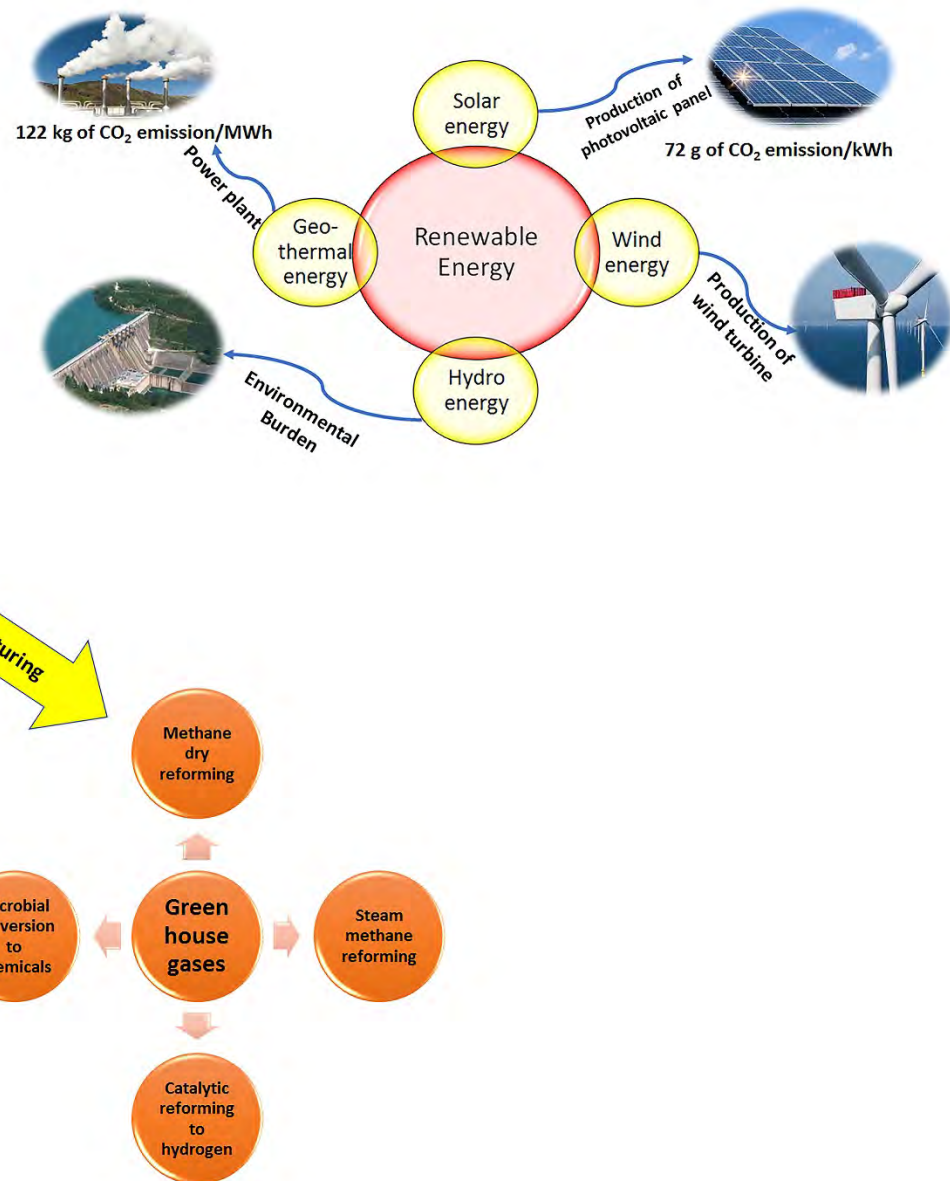
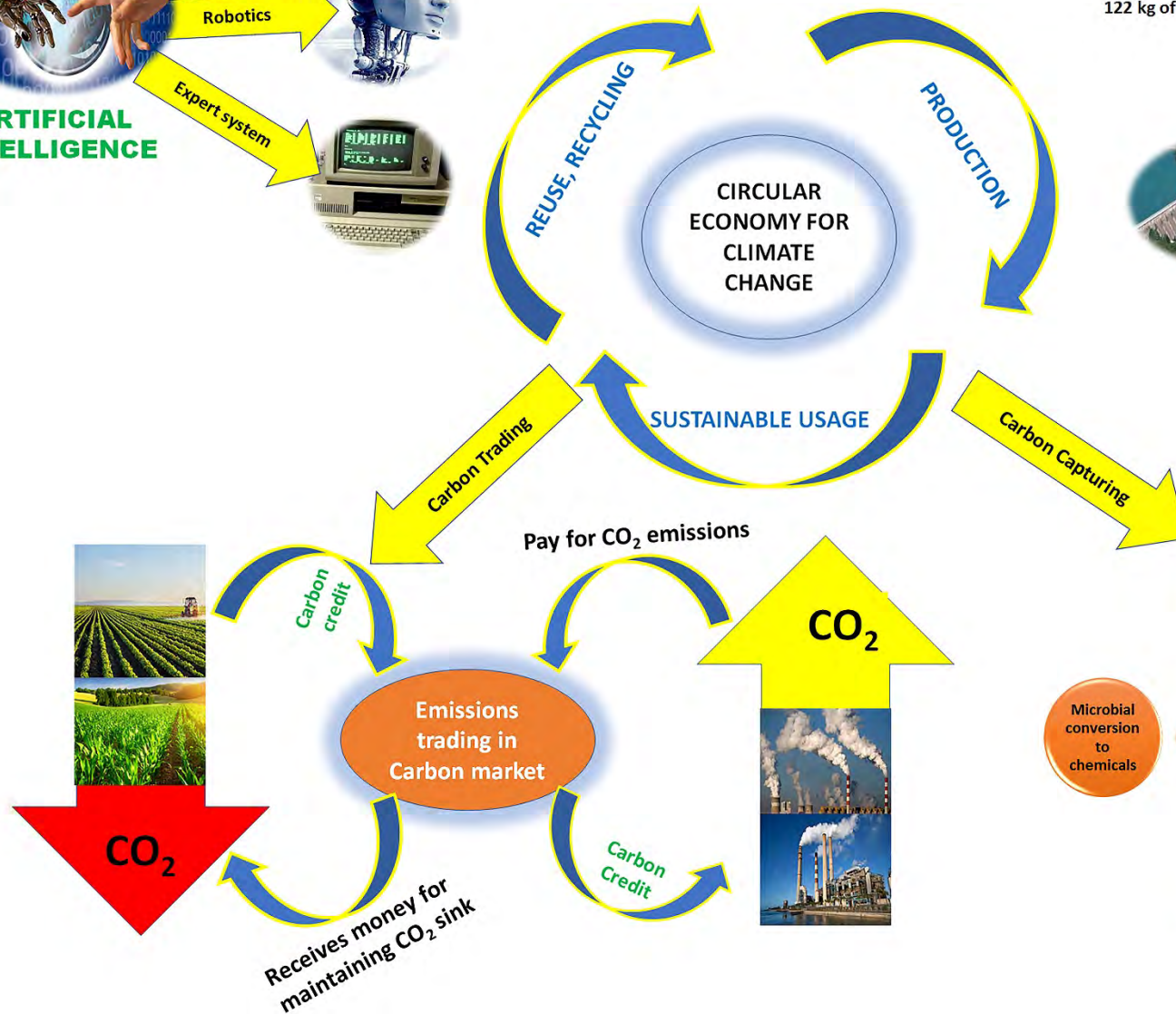
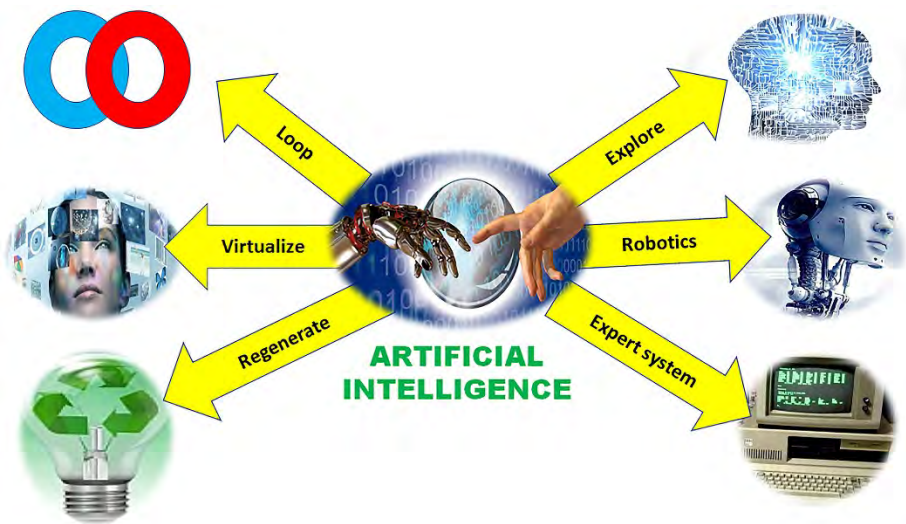
The major consulting firms Accenture, Deloitte, EY and McKinsey & Company all have published on CE in the past two years

The main aim of CE is sustainable development i.e. economic prosperity, environmental quality, and impact on social equity and future generations.



Circular Economy, CE is an alternative to a traditional linear economy. In CE, we keep resources in use for as long as possible, extract the maximum value from them whilst in use, then recover and regenerate products and resources/materials at the end of each service life. CE is derived from semi-scientific and empirical concepts. CE emphasizes the 3Rs (reduce, reuse, recycle) and the 6Rs (reuse, recycle, redesign, remanufacture, reduce, recover). In other words, nothing is lost!

CE- an industrial system that is restorative or regenerative by intention and design. It replaces the 'linear economy or end-of-life' concept with restoration, shifts towards the use of renewable energy, eliminates the use of toxic chemicals, which impair reuse, and aims for the elimination of waste through the superior design of materials, products, systems, and, within this, business models.





**EMPTY
CANS**



Save The Environment
Please ♻️ Recycle

This is an effort by
Original Dues and replacement, with the Office of Environment and Sustainable Development

**EMPTY
PLASTICS**



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**CLEAN
PAPER**



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A reverse vending machine, which identifies, sorts and collects used cans and bottles for recycling



Rubbish bins get smart

Bins are no longer just receptacles for rubbish. Newfangled ones are solar-powered and can be used as Wi-Fi hot spots. Here is a look at how one works and its features.

Wi-Fi router
Enables the bin to provide free Wi-Fi between 11am and 9pm.

Communication module
Allows the bin to send notifications when it is ready to be cleared. It can also send alerts when there is a problem with the bin.

Compactor
Allows it to hold rubbish up to eight times the capacity of a standard bin.

Enclosed design
Prevents pests from gaining access to waste. It also slows down decomposition by preventing air circulation in the bin.



Solar panel
Provides a sustainable energy source for the bin. Energy is also stored in a battery, so the bin can still function during cloudy/rainy periods.

Hopper handle
Makes it impossible for contact with the compaction mechanism when it is in operation.

Weight 120kg
Height 128cm

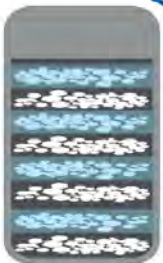
Materials:
Recycled plastics and galvanised steel



Rubbish is deposited into the bin. A sensor measures the bin's capacity.



A compactor compresses the rubbish and measures the resistance of the compacted trash.



Notifications on how full the bin is and when it needs to be cleared are sent through e-mail or SMS.



SINGAPORE: A SMART NATION

PRODUCED IN COLLABORATION WITH THE INFOCOMM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE (IDA)

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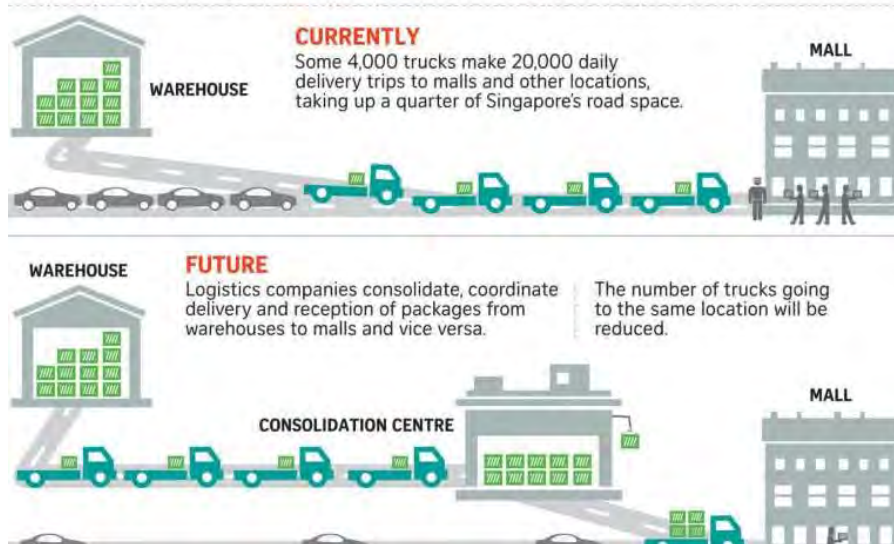


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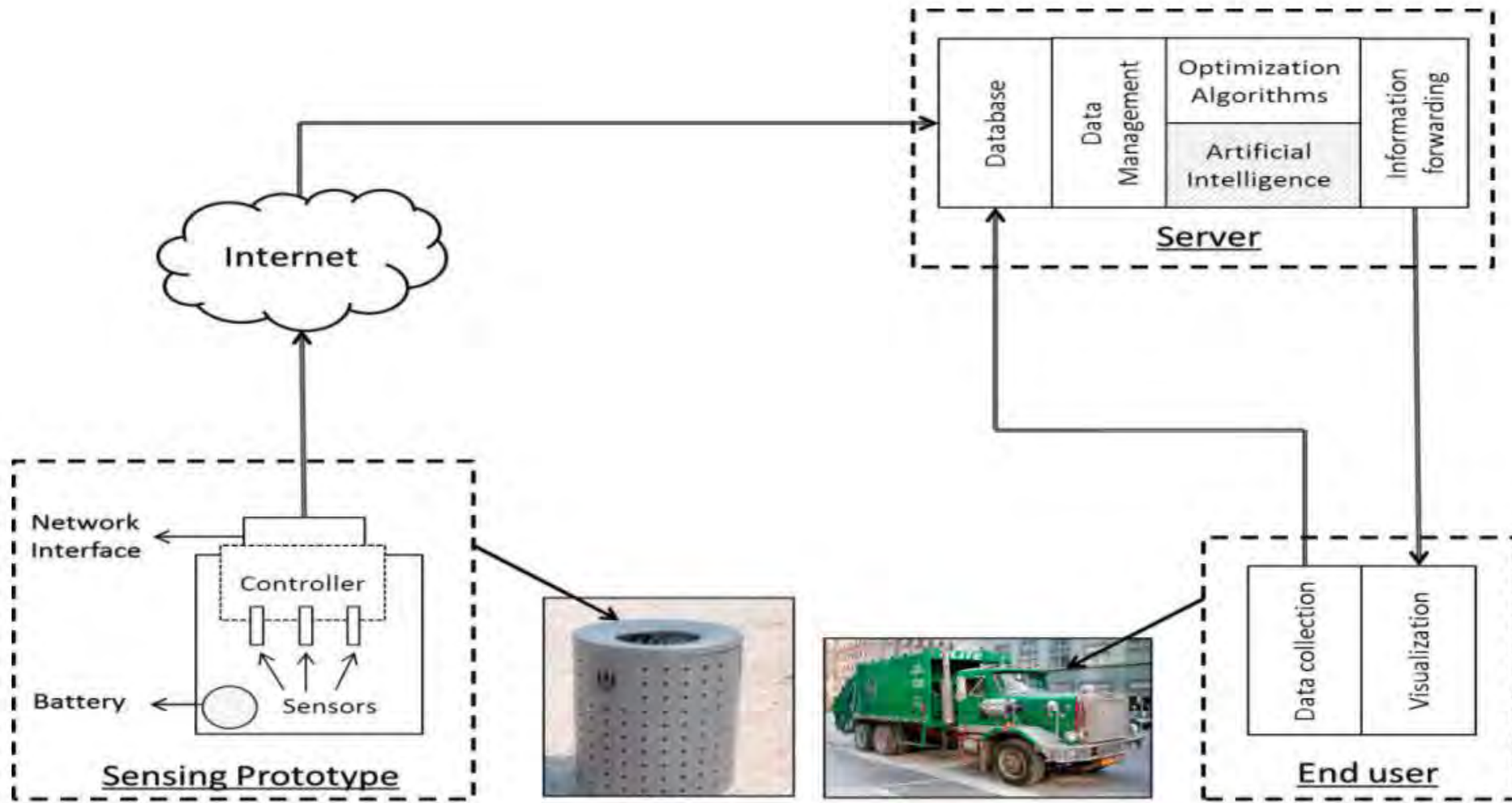


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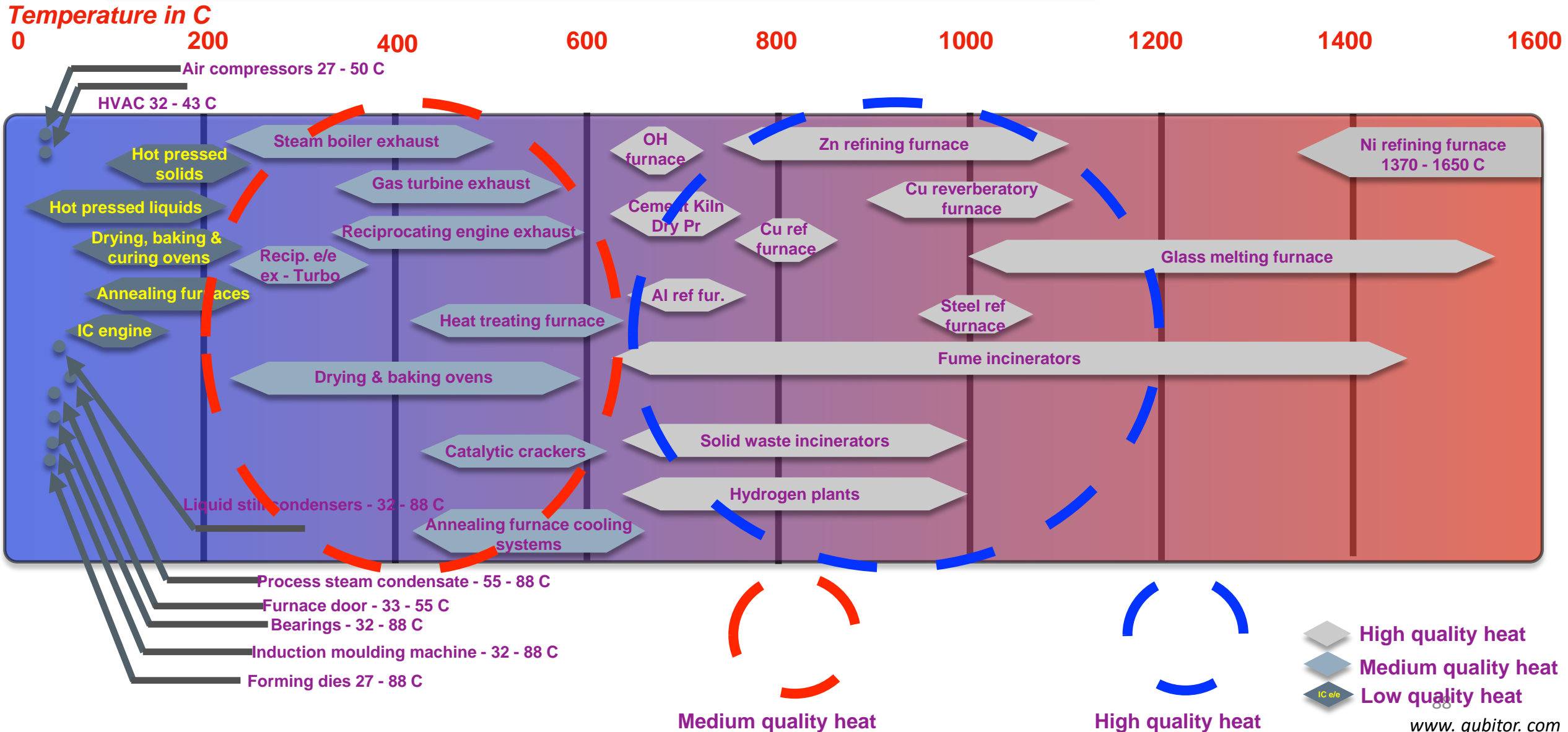
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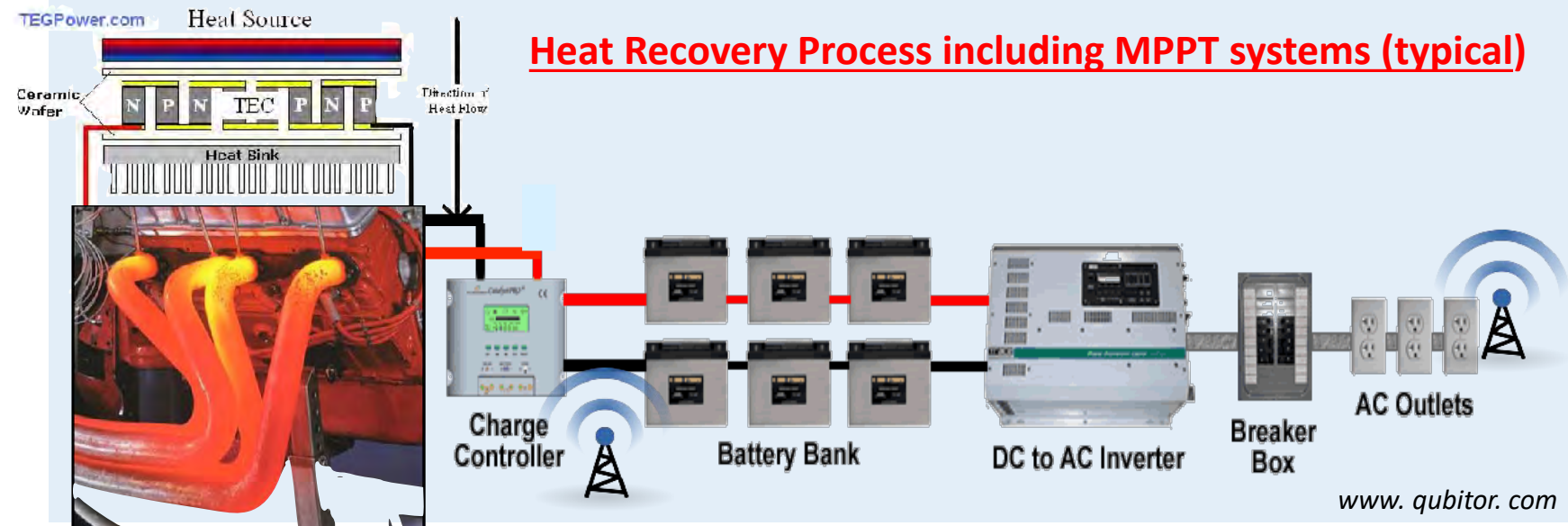
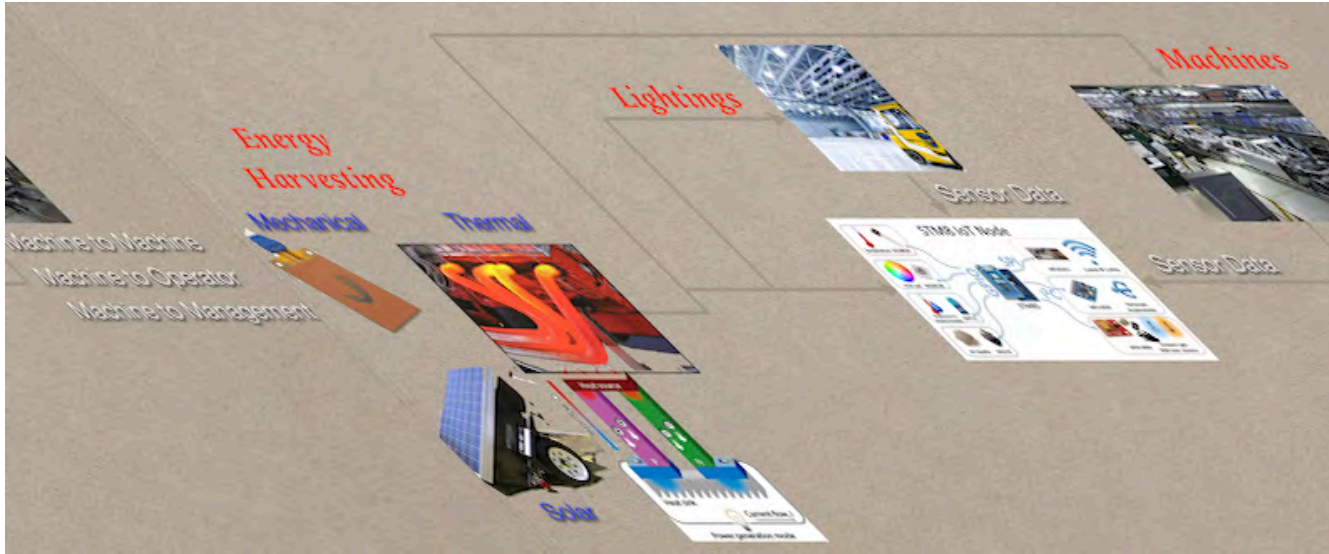
IoT and AI enabled smart waste collection



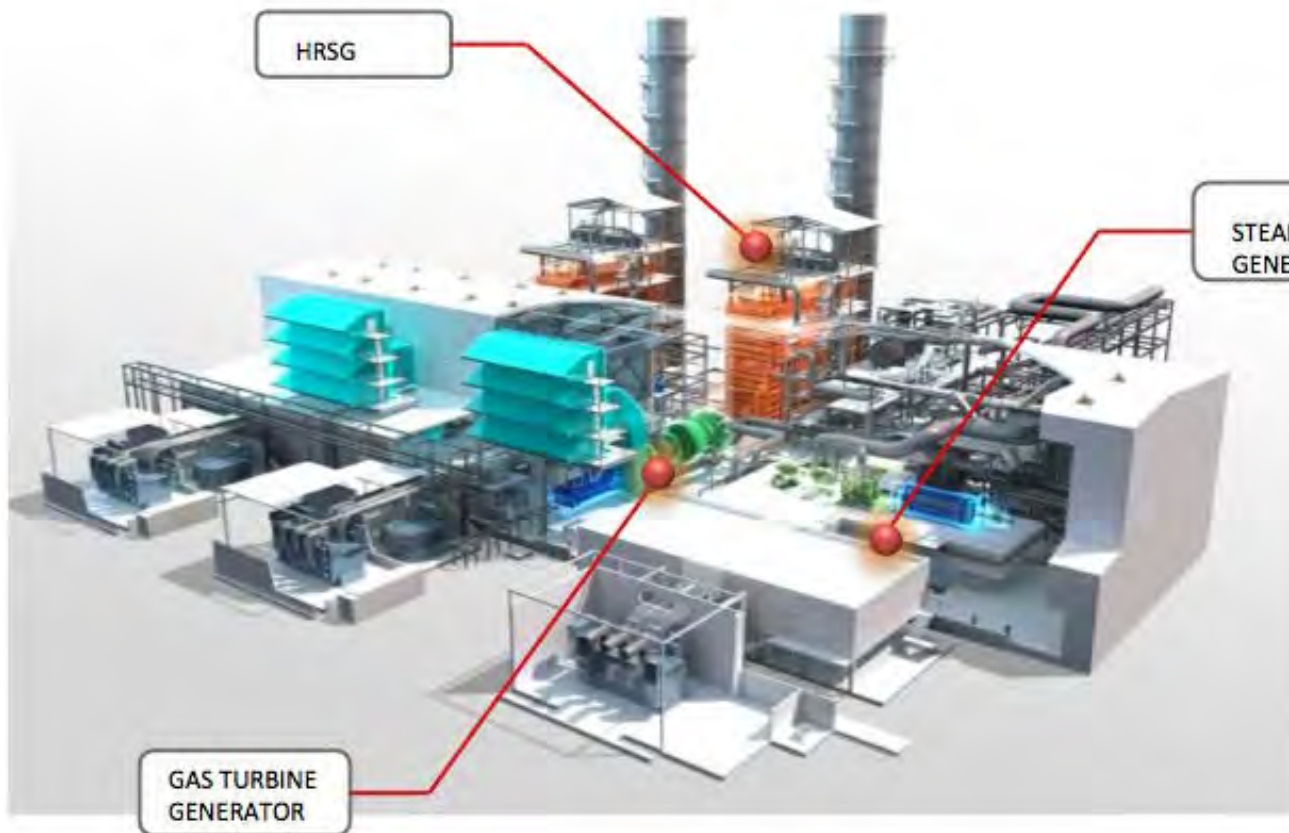
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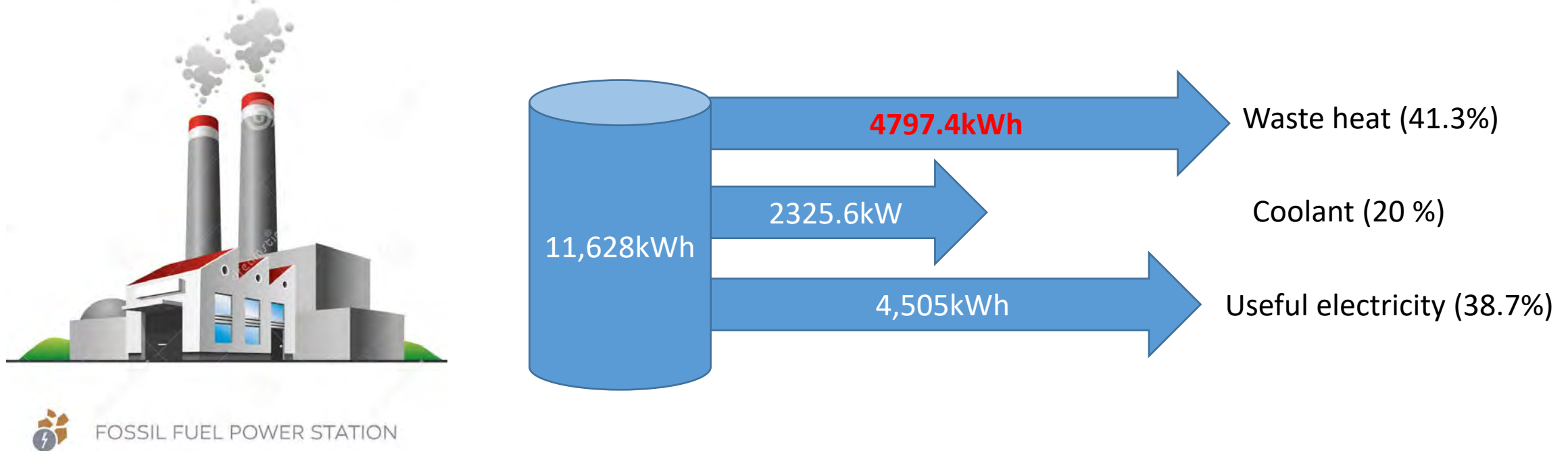


Waste heat recovery system and IoT



- *~ 1kW for 100°C with 50 sq meter hot spots (more kW for higher temperatures).*
- *conversion efficiency about 7 - 10%*
- *life (duration) about 10 - 12 years*
- *An industry emitting heat between 100°C - 400 °C which typically loses between 20-30% of energy as heat and hence, in average 2-3% of energy can be restored and re-used using TEG*

1 tonne of oil equivalent in Fossil fuel power station = 11,628 kWh (Total energy generation capacity)

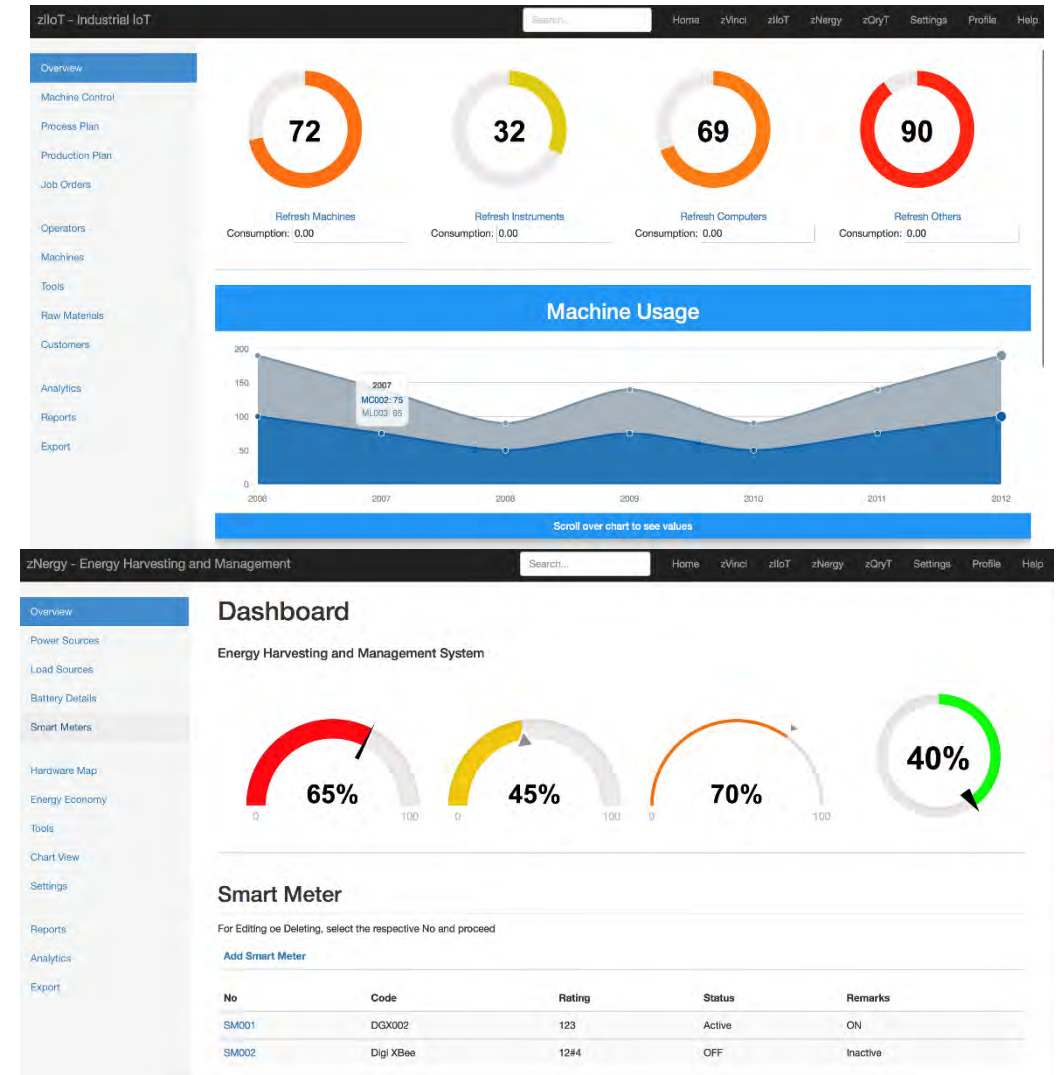
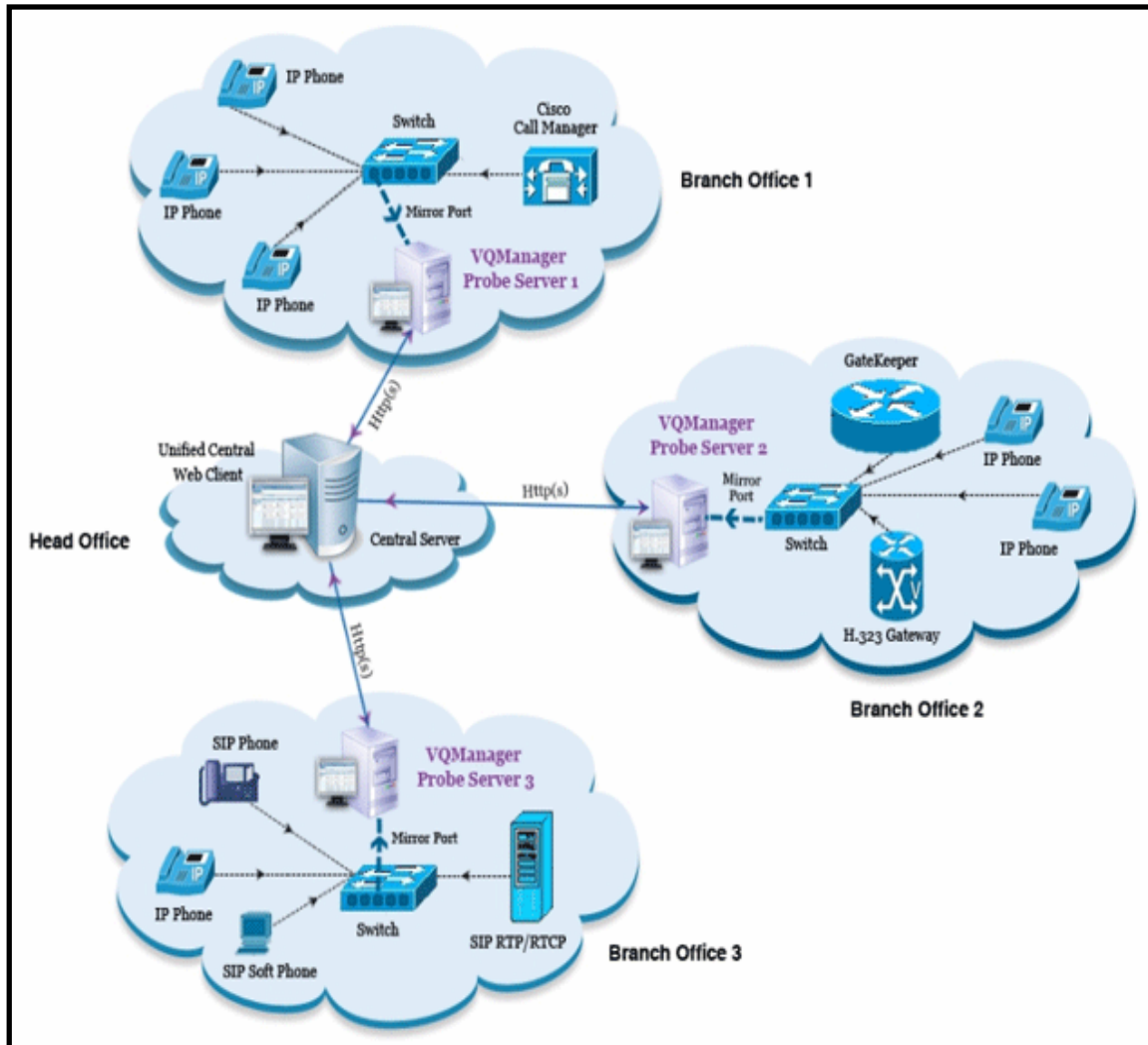


A staggering amount of **4797.9kWh** is being wasted as heat

Thermoelectric generator (TEG) **efficiency η = ~12%** at above 250 °C will recover **0.575kWh** energy from the waste heat

Hence the overall energy generation efficiency of the power plant can be improved to **5080kWh** after implementing TEG

Waste heat recovery system using IoT



Designed for the Environment: Allbirds are machine washable and meant to be worn without socks. Made of a very fine merino wool.

allbirds



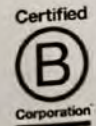
Allbirds founders Joey Zwillinger, left, and Tim Brown

*Daily Value based on a 2,000 calorie diet
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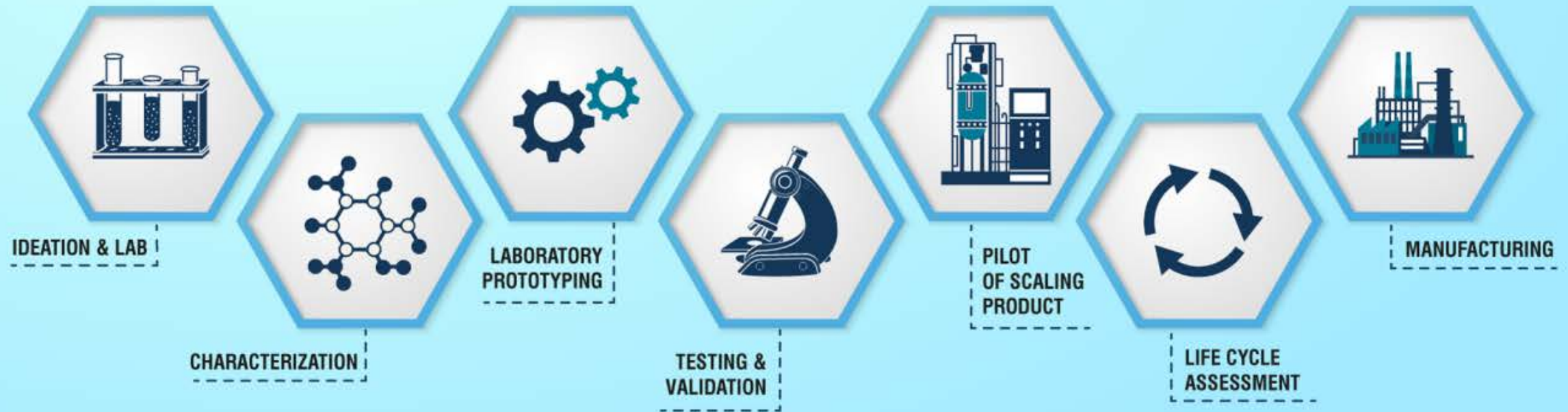
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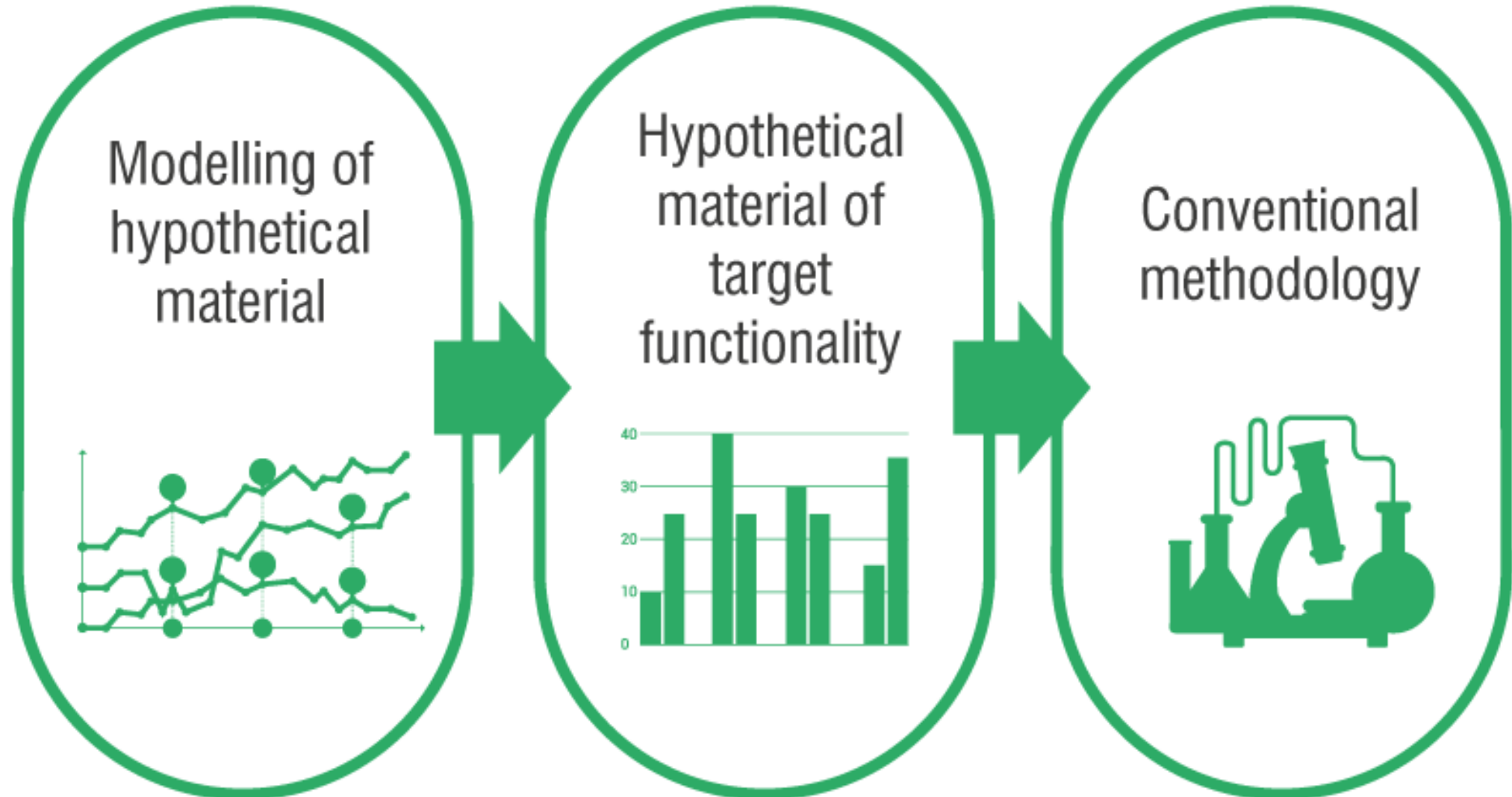
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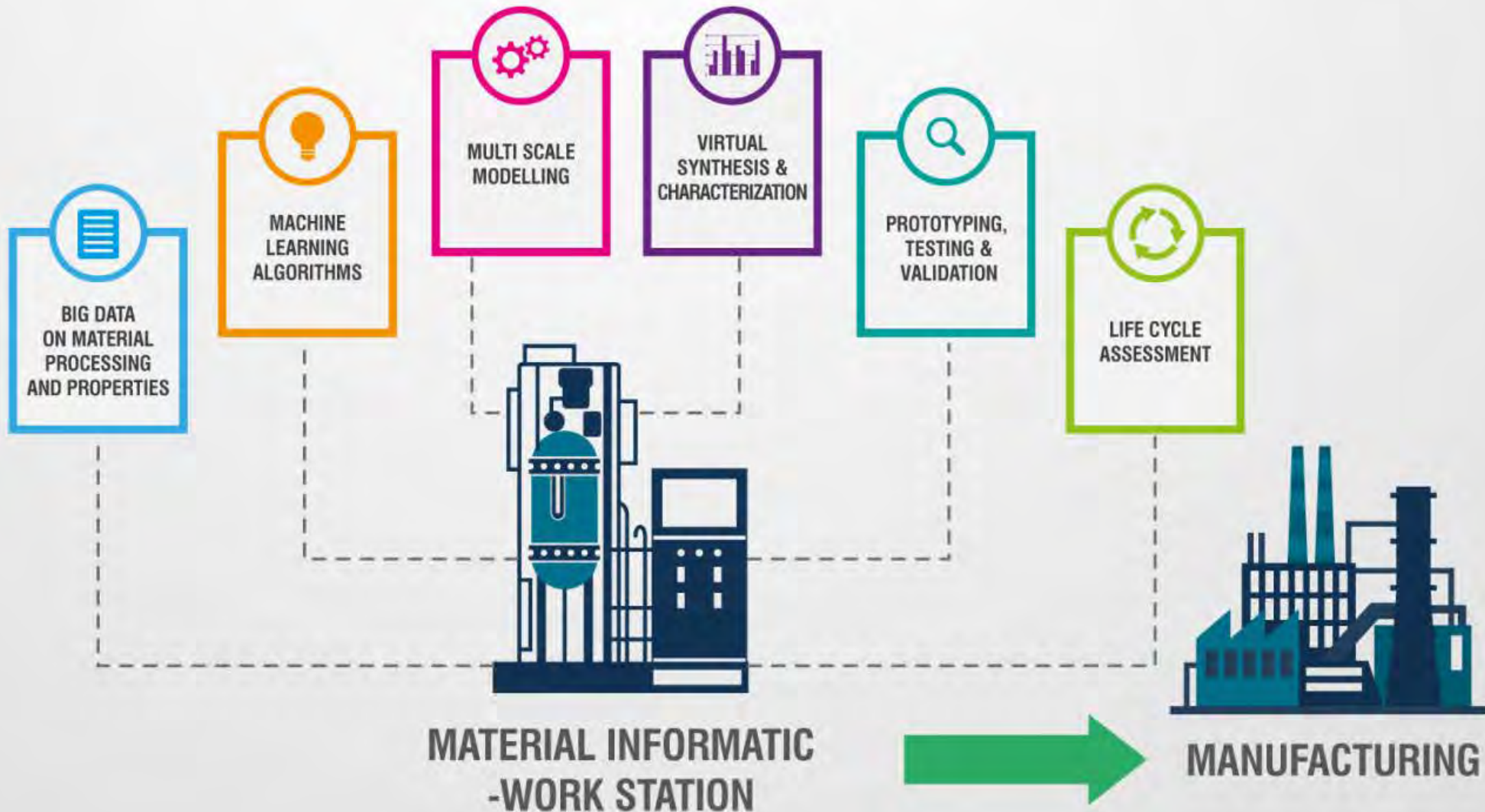
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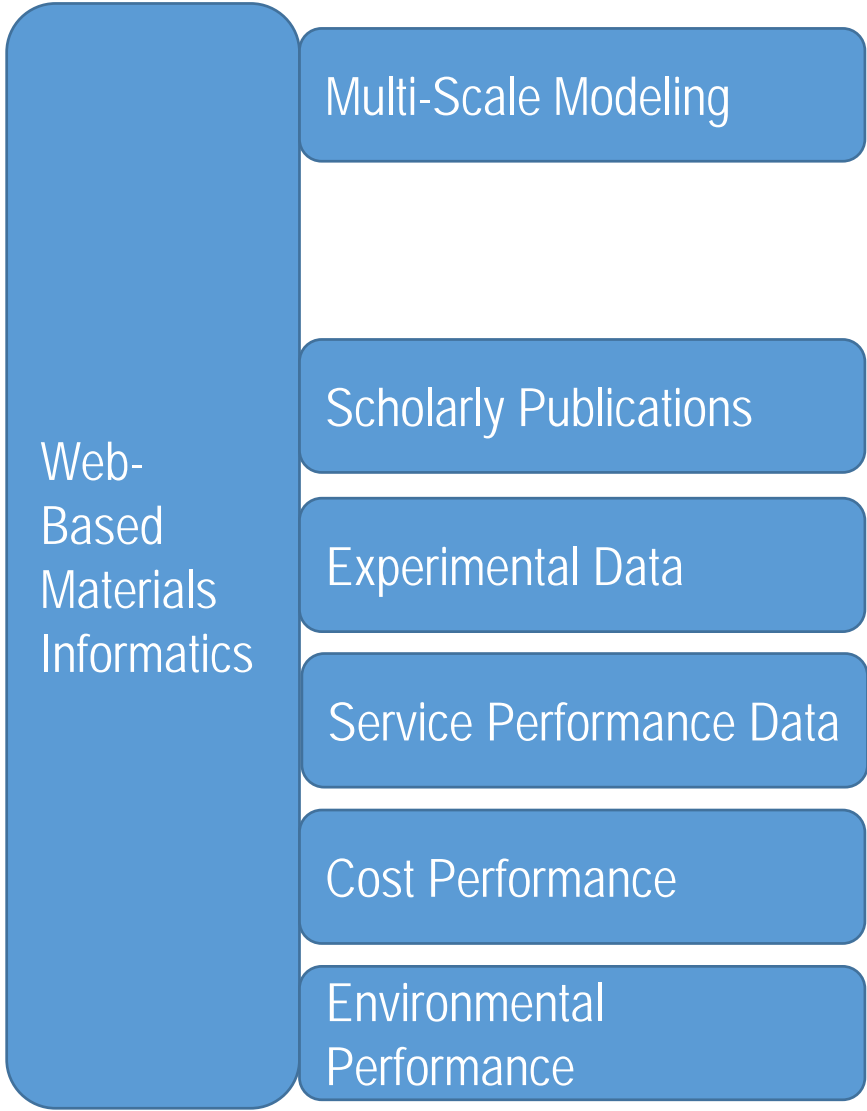


MATERIALS 4.0



Materials Informatics

- ❑ Microstructure Informatics
- ❑ Data Science and Analytics
- ❑ Data mining and quality
- ❑ Machine Learning/AI/Deep Learning
- ❑ Materials Knowledge Systems
- ❑ Cyberinfrastructure for materials data
- ❑ Spectral Methods for Microstructure-Property-Processing-Performance (s-p-p) Linkages
- ❑ Standards and codes
- ❑ E-collaboration networks

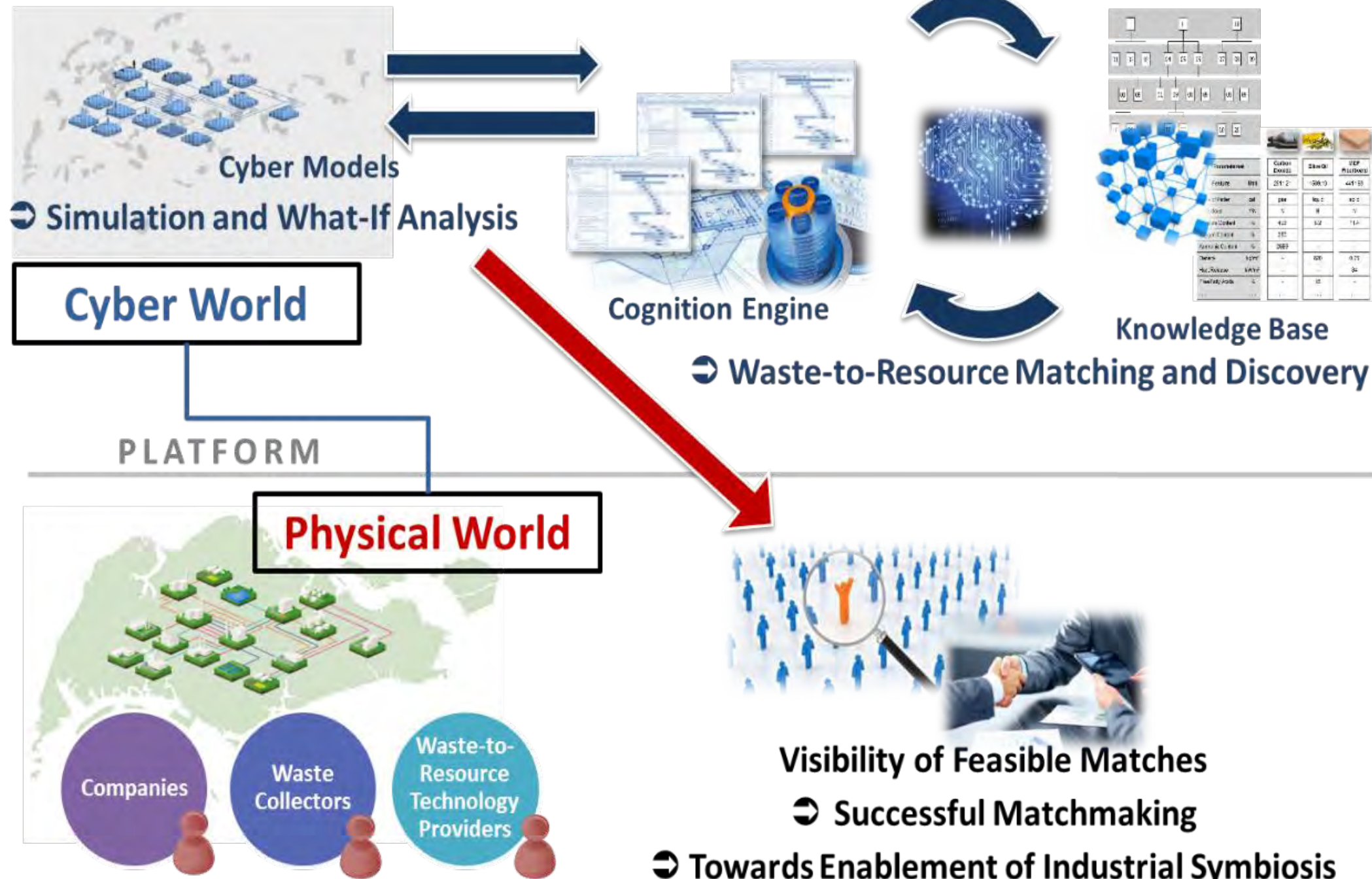


- Density Functional Theory
- Molecular Dynamics
- Combinatorial materials science
- Quantum Mechanics
- Continuum Mechanics
- Finite Element Modeling
- Monte Carlo Model
- Analytical Equations, theory
- Empirical Equations
- Life Cycle Cost, LCC
- Life Cycle Assessment, LCA
- Life Cycle Engineering, LCE

Materials Informatics helps you with

Web-Based Materials Informatics

- Materials selection (matching with product design)
- Materials designed for functional performance
- Modeling and simulation- property & failure prediction
- Matching materials and processes
- Matching with service performance
- Materials efficiency
- Materials designed for environmental performance
- Material solution for recycling, upcycling and zero waste



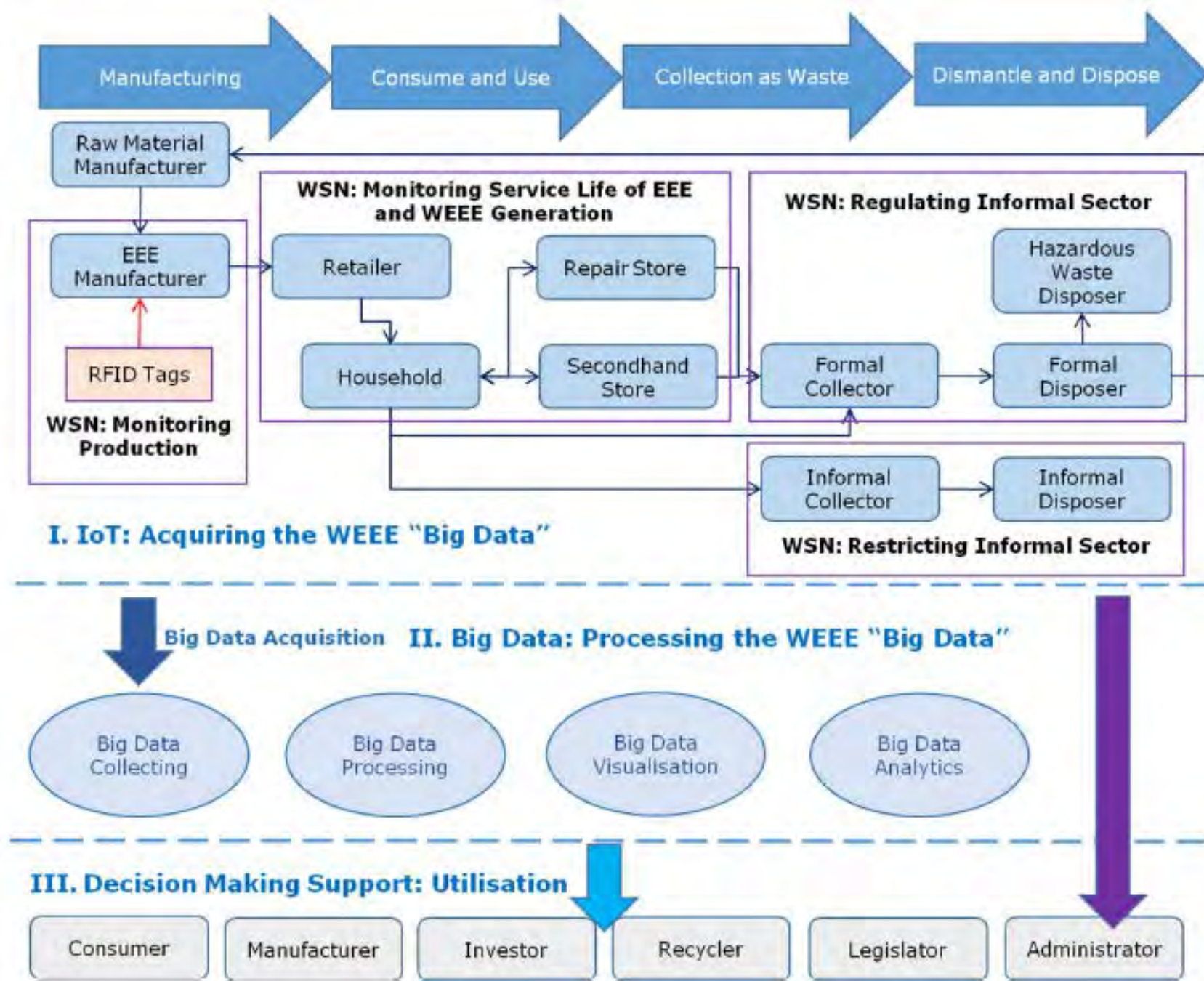


Fig. 2. The framework of the IoT and the Big Data implementation for WEEE management.

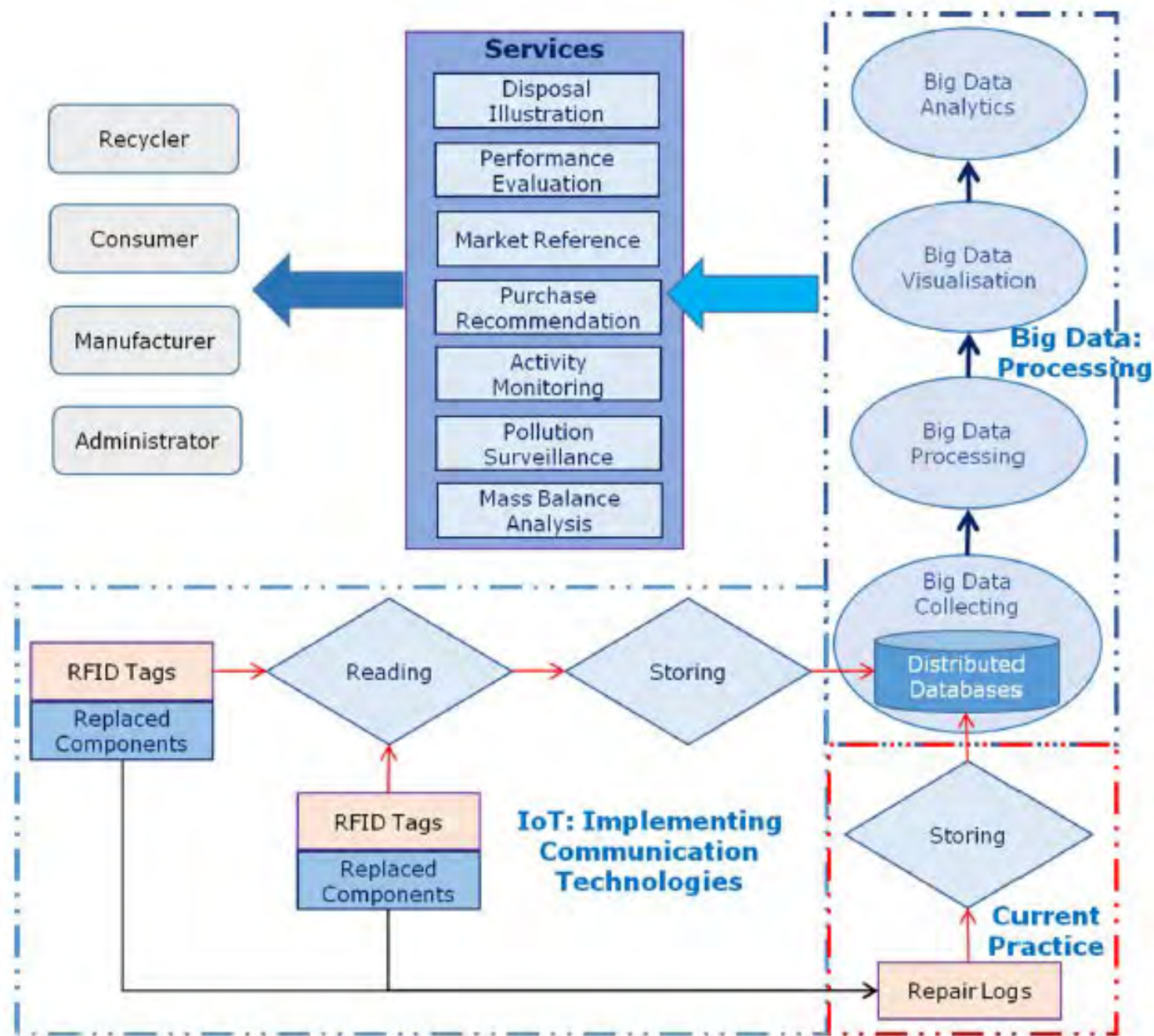


Fig. 4. The scenario of implementing the IoT and the Big Data technologies in monitoring the repair activities.

Data structure of the repair records stored in the log database.

Column no	Content
1	Serial number
2	Time of receiving call
3	Name of customer
4	Contact number
5	Location of customer
6	Operator
7	Brand
8	Type
9	Model
10	Complained problem
11	Time of sending Technician
12	Service content
13	Identified problem
14	Whether fixed?
15	Service completion time
16	Charge of service
17	Charge of parts changed
18	Total charge
19	Fee received
20	Whether case closed?
21	Whether repay a visit?
22	Audit

Detailed information on components or products replacements in the repair store during the period from 1st July 2015 to 31th December 2015.

Replaced components	Number of units ^a	Estimated average weight (kg) ^b	Accumulated weight (kg)	Contained resources ^b
Compressor	506	18.5	9361.00	Al, Cu, Fe
Electric motor	377	0.05	7.54	Cu, Fe
PCB	312	0.50	156.00	Ag, Cu
Remote Control	910	0.12	109.20	Cu, plastics
Display panel	118	0.25	29.50	In, glass
Capacitor	481	0.07	33.67	Al
Sensor	149	0.10	14.90	Cu
Valve	755	0.15	113.25	Cu, Fe
Blades	85	2.50	212.50	Fe
Evaporator	69	5.50	379.50	Al, Cu, Fe
Drip tray	93	1.50	139.50	Fe
Aqueduct	223	1.20	267.60	Cu, plastics
Acoustic Panel	476	0.30	142.80	Plastics
Pegboard	134	0.20	36.80	Plastics
Cable and switch	11	0.50	5.50	Cu
Whole machine	184	45.00	8280.00	Ag, Al, Cu, Fe, glass, plastics, etc.
Total weight			19290.57	

^a In some cases, more than one unit of component needed to be replaced.

^b Information provided by the technicians in the repair store.

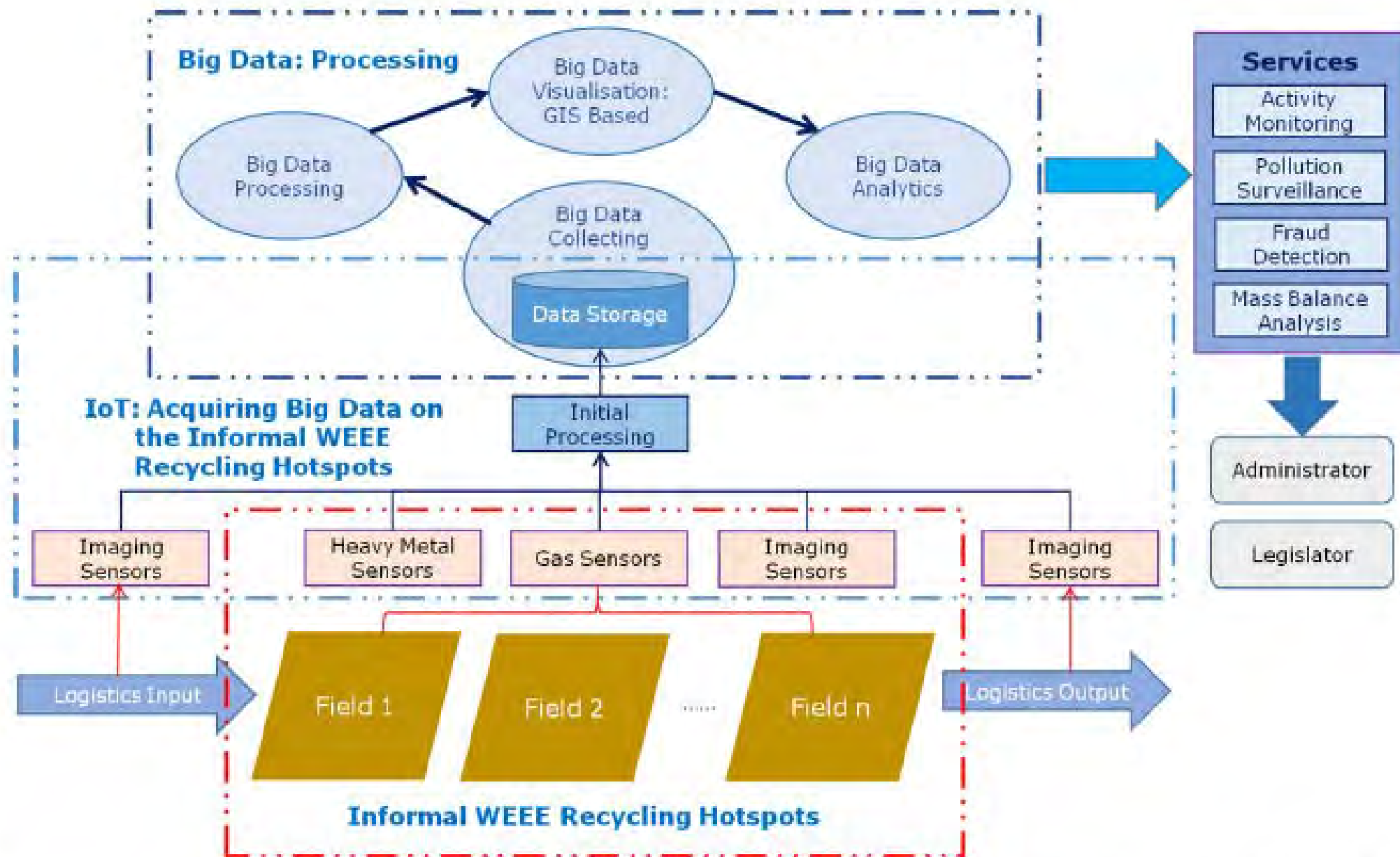


Fig. 6. The scenario of implementing the IoT and the Big Data technologies in monitoring the informal WEEE recycling activities in the hotspots.

Knowledge Management System to Support Waste-to-Resource Matching: Application in Paper Waste

	NISP	E-Symbiosis	US Materials MarketPlace
Country	UK	Greece	US
Year	2006	2010	2015
Platform	Web-Based	Web-Based	Web-Based
Scale	National	International	International
Opportunity Identification	Yes	Yes	Yes
Identification Method	Input Output Match Relationship Mimicking	Input Output Match Process Characteristics	Supply & Demand



Mr Arthur Huang's upcycling company has created 1,200 new materials from trash. In his right arm is a concrete-like building material made from 2,000 cigarette butts. Sitting on it are air filters made from old clothes. The piece of fabric in his left hand is made from plastic bottles. A database of Miniwiz's materials will be opened to 100 universities, and students will receive funding to create new products with the materials.

<http://www.straitstimes.com/singapore/environment/from-trash-to-treasure>



Fig. 1. Drivers for transforming current cities into zero waste cities.

CONCLUSIONS

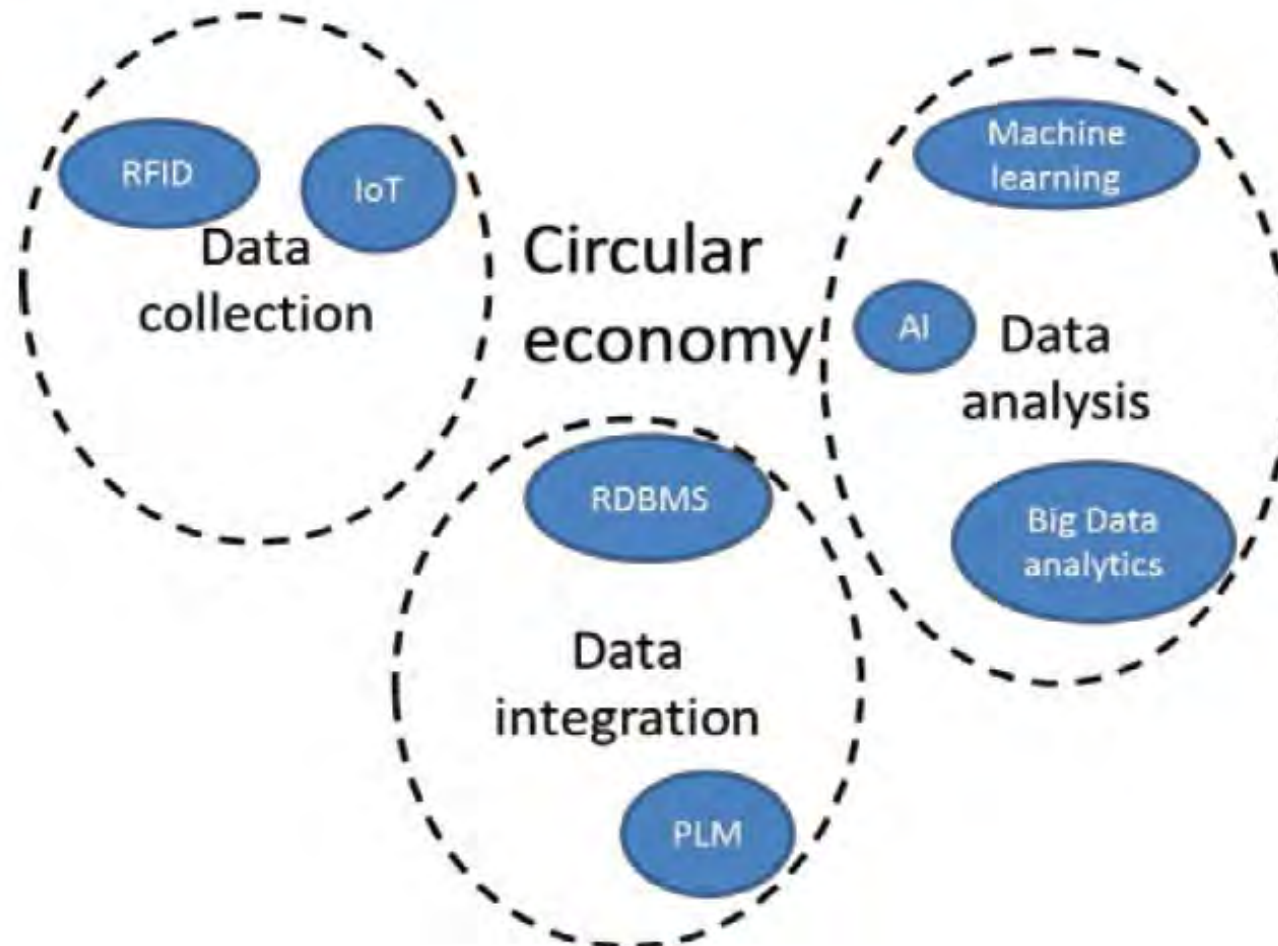
Human progress has been defined by

- hunter-gatherer (Society 1.0)
- Agriculture (Society 2.0)
- industrial revolution (Society 3.0)
- information revolution (Society 4.0)

Society 5.0

Physical space and cyberspace will be seamlessly connected via integration of emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence, machine learning, Big Data, and augmented reality into every aspect of life

IoT, Big Data, AI & Materials Informatics enable Circular Economy



Sectors with greater impact of IoT, Big Data, AI, Materials Informatics on Circular Economy?

Business Value? Customer Experience, Increased Quality, Lower Costs, Operational Efficiency, Lower Environmental Effects

	Industry 4.0	Circular Economy	Environment
Pollution control (Transportation)	Data Analytics, IoT, AI	Efficient Supply chain	Lower emissions
Plastics (& Bio-based substitutes)	Knowledge Platform	Waste to Resource	Lower waste disposal
Wood and Paper	Knowledge Platform	Waste to Resource	Lower waste disposal
Construction materials	3D Printing, Nanotech	Waste to Resource	Lower carbon foot print
Water	IoT, Data Analytics	Waste water reuse	Energy efficient
Solid waste	Data Analytics	Waste to Resource	Lower waste disposal
Clean energy gen, storage, supply	IoT, AI, Data Analytics	Lower consumption	Lower energy losses
Energy efficiency (processes, systems, etc.)	Real Time Monitoring	Lower consumption	Lower energy losses
Food (& faux meat)	Data Analytics	Waste to Resource	Lower wastage
Agriculture, Urban Farmed Products	Data Analytics	Efficient Supply chain	Lower pollution
Beverages	Data Analytics	Waste to Resource	Lower wastage
Textiles (wearables, biotech leather, etc.)	Data Analytics	Waste to Resource	Lower pollution
Services	AI, Data Analytics	Efficient delivery	Lower pollution
Value chains, material flows, and products	AI, Data Analytics	Efficient delivery	Lower pollution
Electricals & Electronics	Knowledge Platform	Product re-routing	Co2 savings

Thank you

