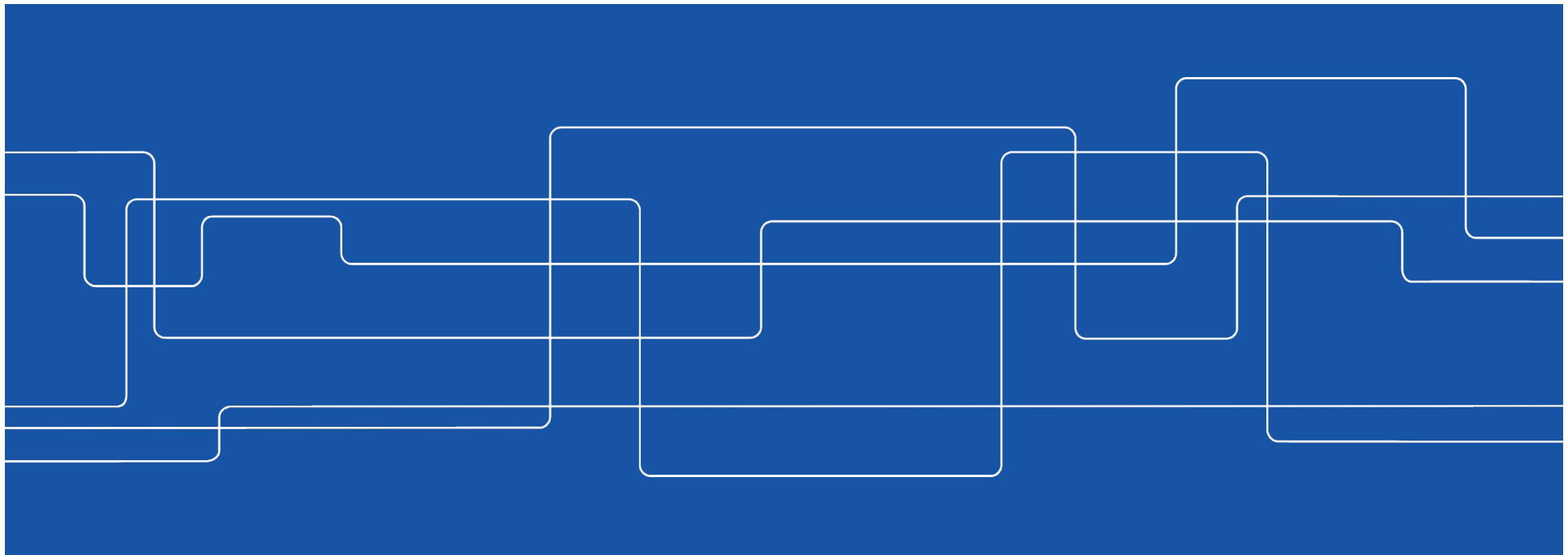




# Value Stream Mapping

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## What you will learn

- What is Value stream
- What is Value stream mapping (VSM)
  - Understanding the Current state
  - Designing the Future state
    - Improvement and action plan

## Assignment

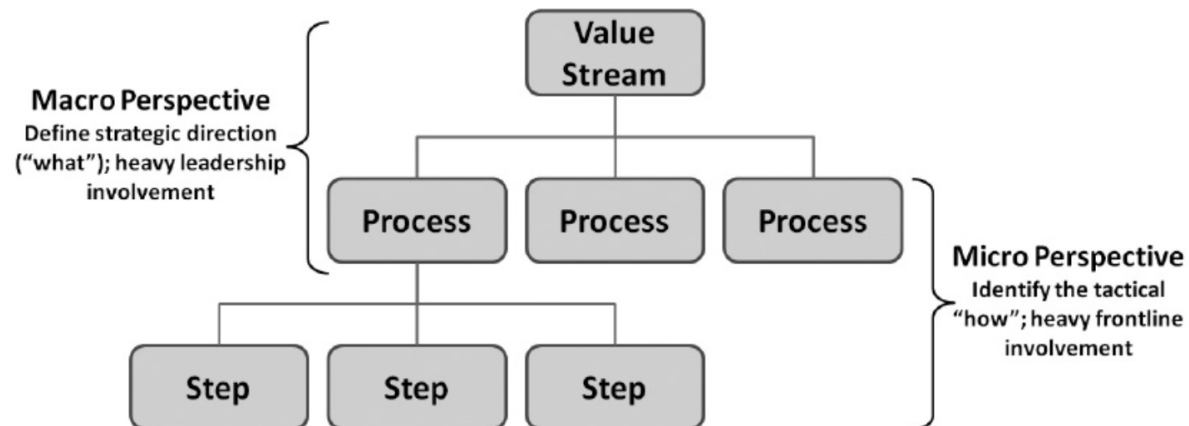
- Presentation of VSM project



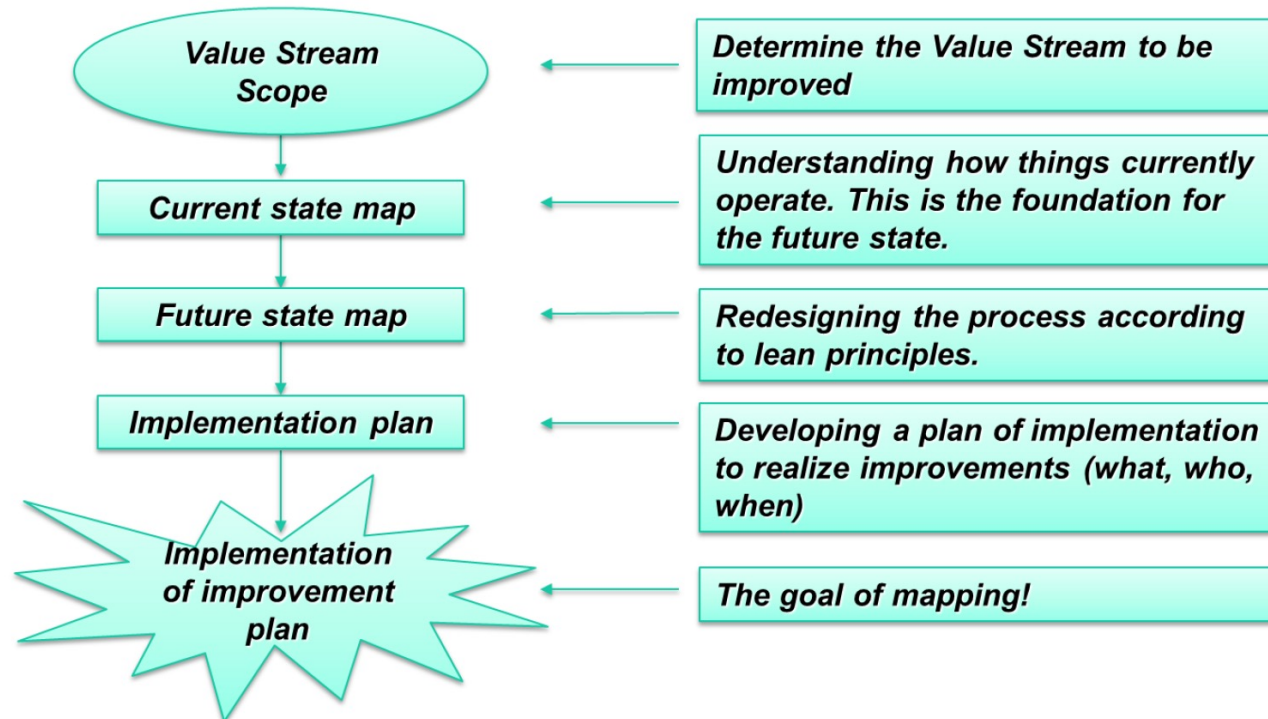
# What is Value Stream

A value stream is a series of processes that connect together and transform a customer request into a good or service that is delivered to the customer (from request-to-delivery).

Each process adds value for the customer.



# What is Value Stream Mapping (VSM)





# Understanding the Current State

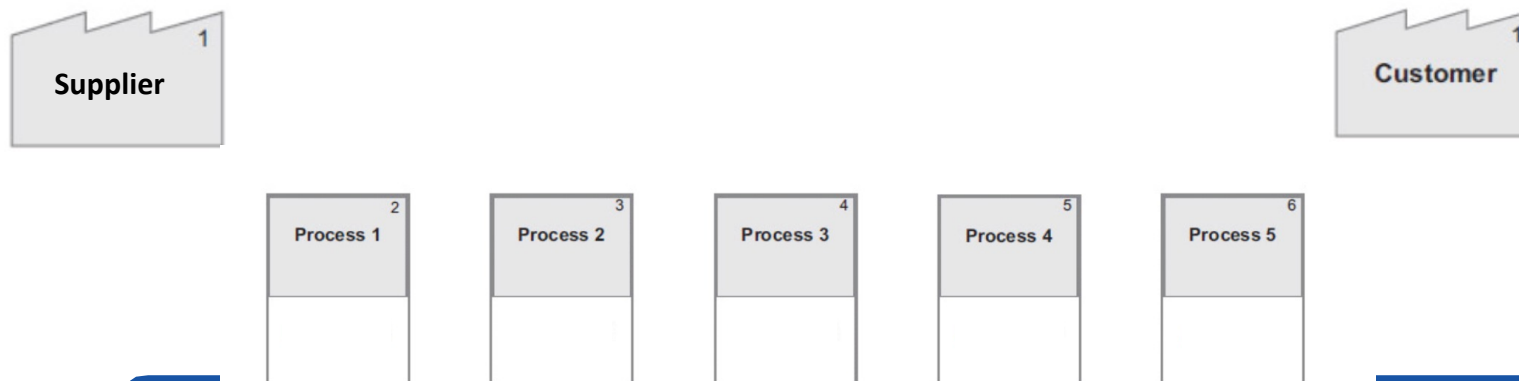
**Walking** the value stream to obtain the most basic information:

- the sequence of processes that connect together to form the value stream
- the functions that perform the work.

Steps:

1. Create an outline of the process

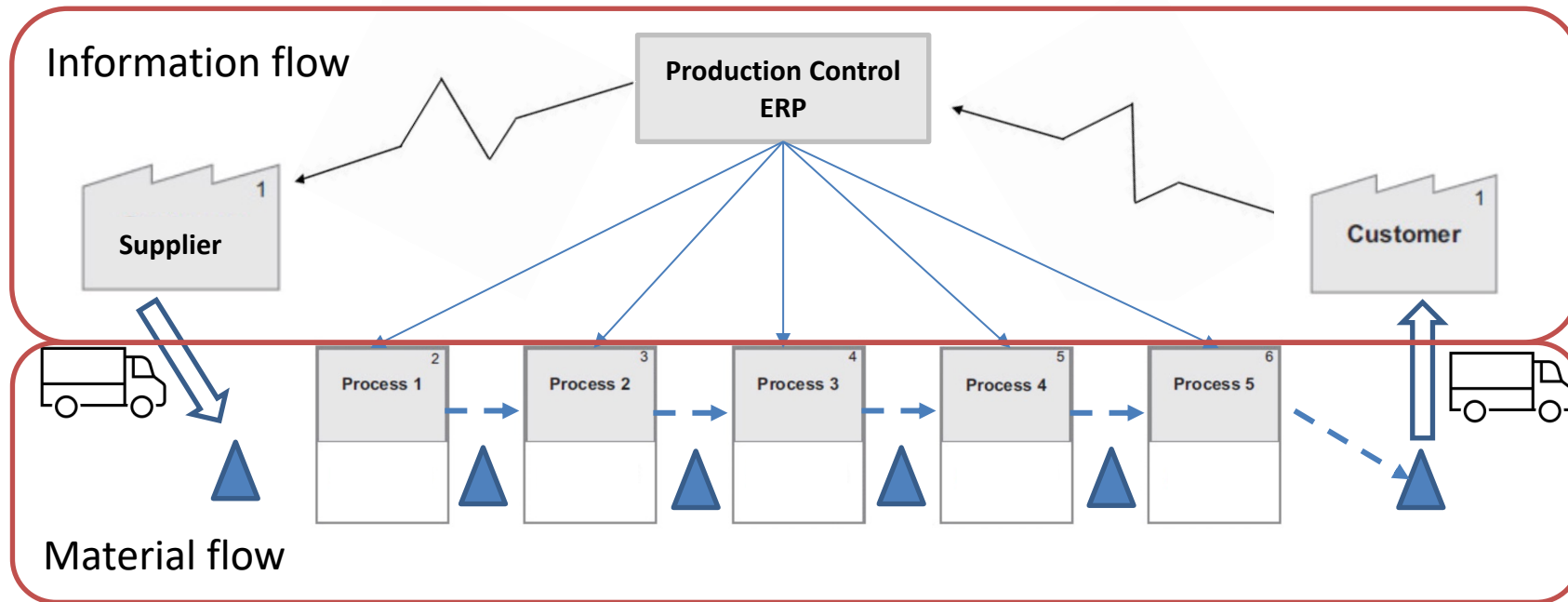
→ identify the operations and add external sources, i.e., customers and suppliers.





# Understanding the Current State

2. Draw the flow of information and materials



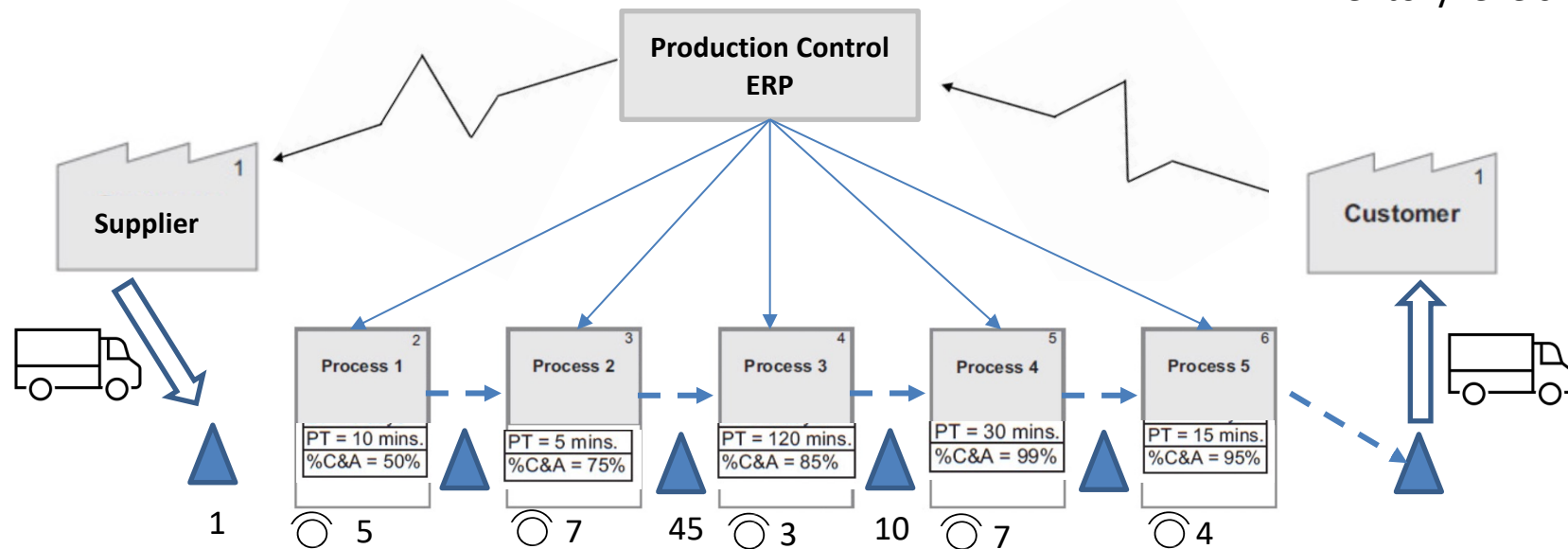


# Understanding the Current State

Overview of possible process data:

- Customer demand
- Process time (PT)
- Changeover time (CO)
- Number of operators
- Capacity
- Available time
- Uptime/downtime
- Quality or defects rate
- Number of product variations
- Batch size
- Inventory levels

3. Add process data that you collect while walking the stream



Not all the data will be given! You need to calculate them yourself



# Understanding the Current State

## 4. Make calculations:

- Takt time
- Total process time
- Total lead time
- Process efficiency





## Understanding the Current State

$$\text{Takt time (TT)} = \frac{\text{Available time during a given period}}{\text{Demand during this period}}$$

Function:

- **Levels** the rate of production
- Sets the **pulse** in a production flow
  - Product assembly duration that is needed to match the demand.

The **aim** of Takt is to detect **deviations**.

→ If a product has not left the production flow when the takt time is out, it is a signal that there is waste in the process.

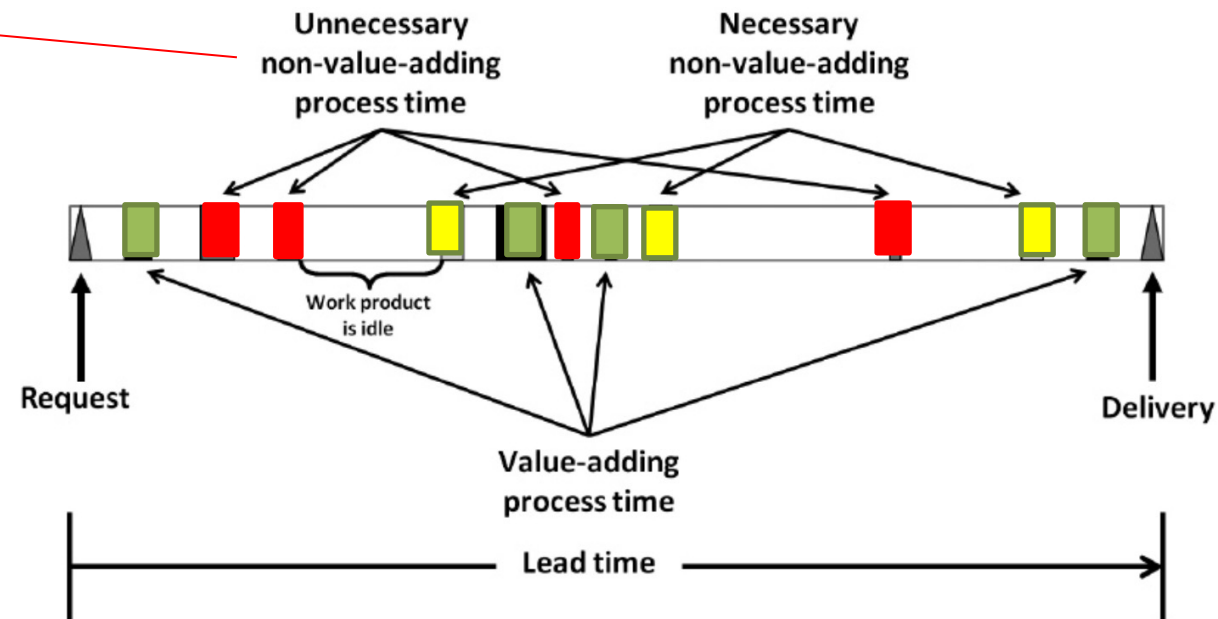


# Understanding the Current State

- **Total process time** → time it takes operators to complete the process tasks to transform an input into an output for one unit of work

## 7 wastes:

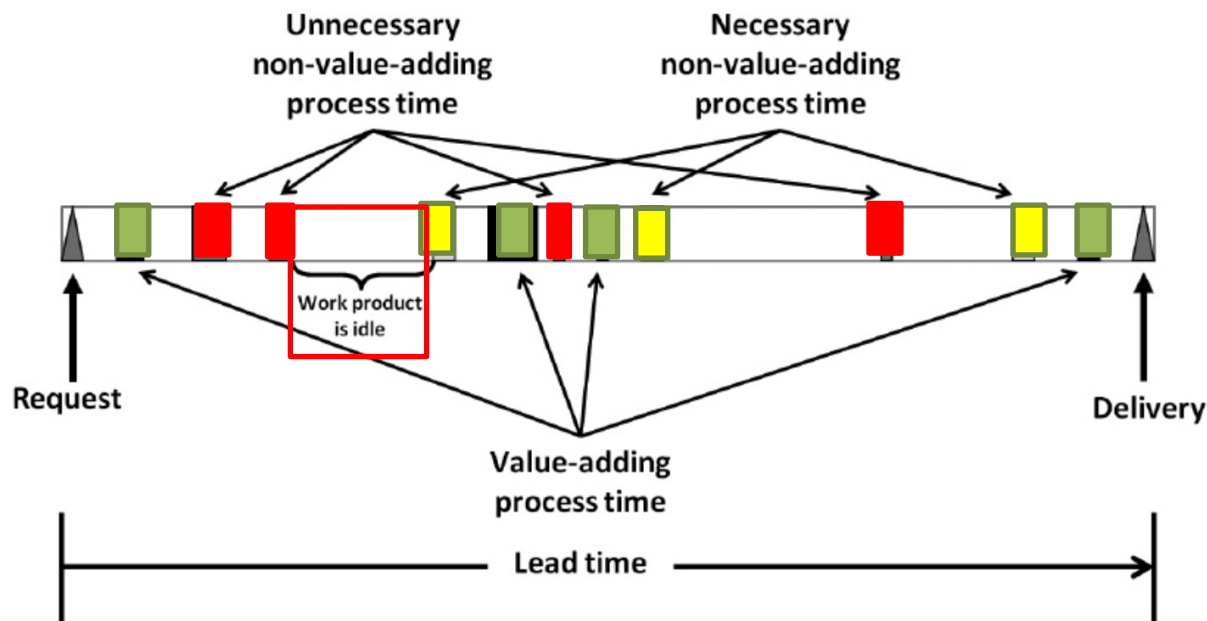
- Transport
- Inventory
- Motion
- Waiting
- Overproduction
- Overprocessing
- Defects





# Understanding the Current State

- **Total lead time** → estimated time for a single product to pass through the entire process from request to delivery



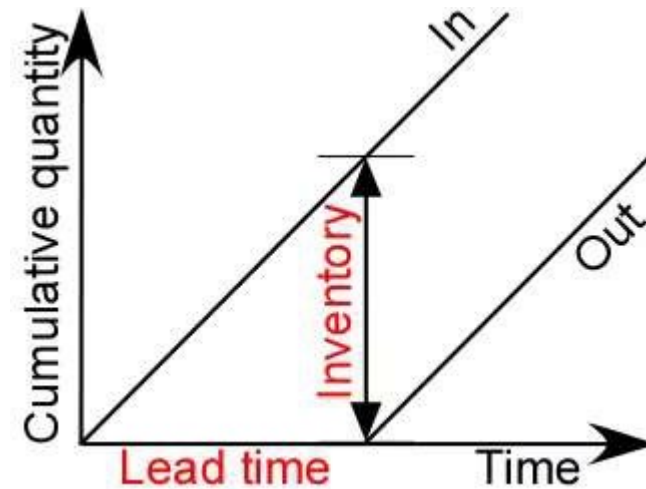
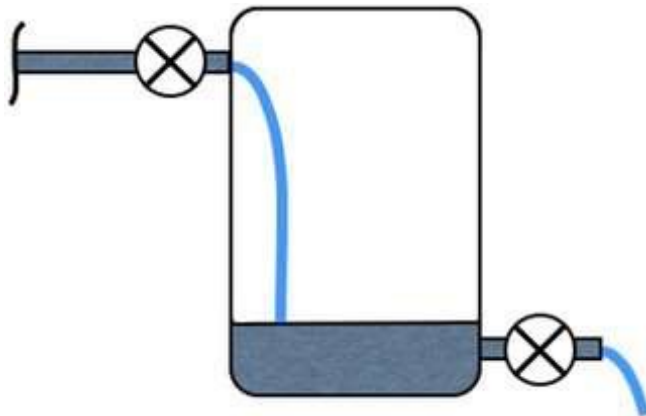
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total lead time} &= \text{Process time}_{tot} \\ &+ \text{Inventory lead time} \end{aligned}$$

**Little's Law** states that average throughput time through a production system is directly proportional to average inventory

$$\text{Inventory } (I) = \text{throughput rate } (R) * \text{flow time } (T)$$

*In steady state:  
inflow = outflow*

$$\text{Lead Time } (T) = \frac{\text{Work in process } (I)}{\text{Production rate } (R)}$$



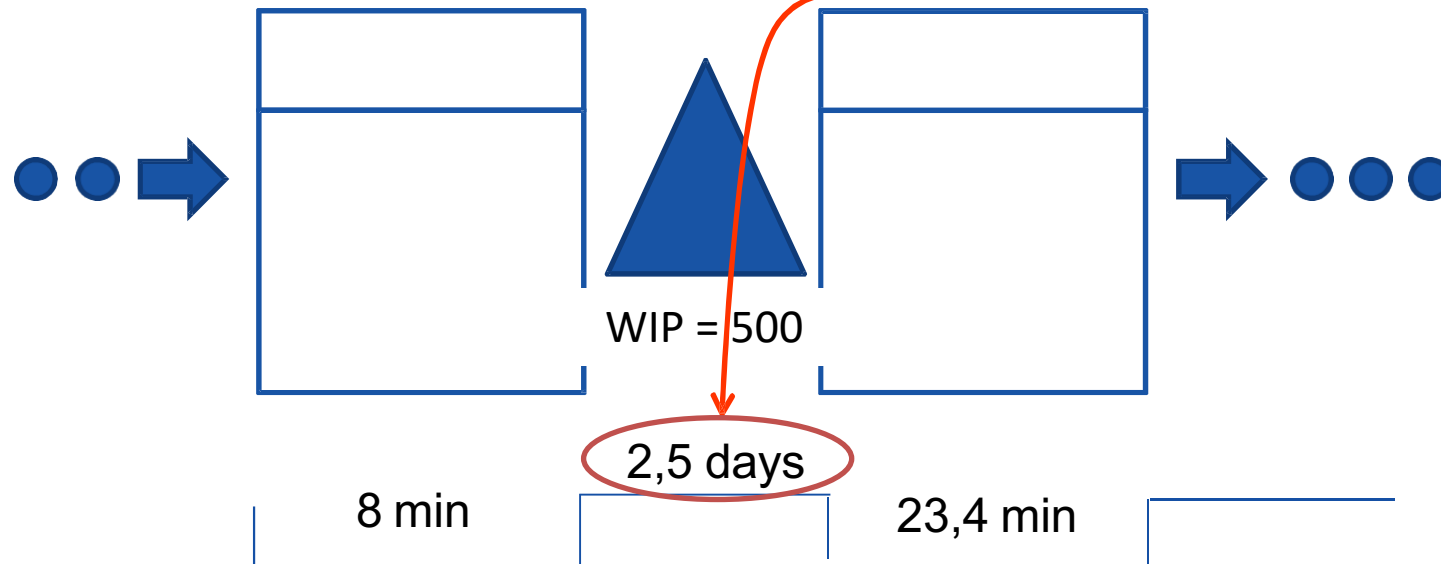


# Little's Law

Inventory Lead time =  $\frac{WIP}{Prod.Rate} = \frac{500 \text{ pc}}{200 \text{ pc/day}} = 2,5 \text{ days}$



Takt Time = 2 min  
Prod. Rate = 200 pc/day





# Understanding the Current State

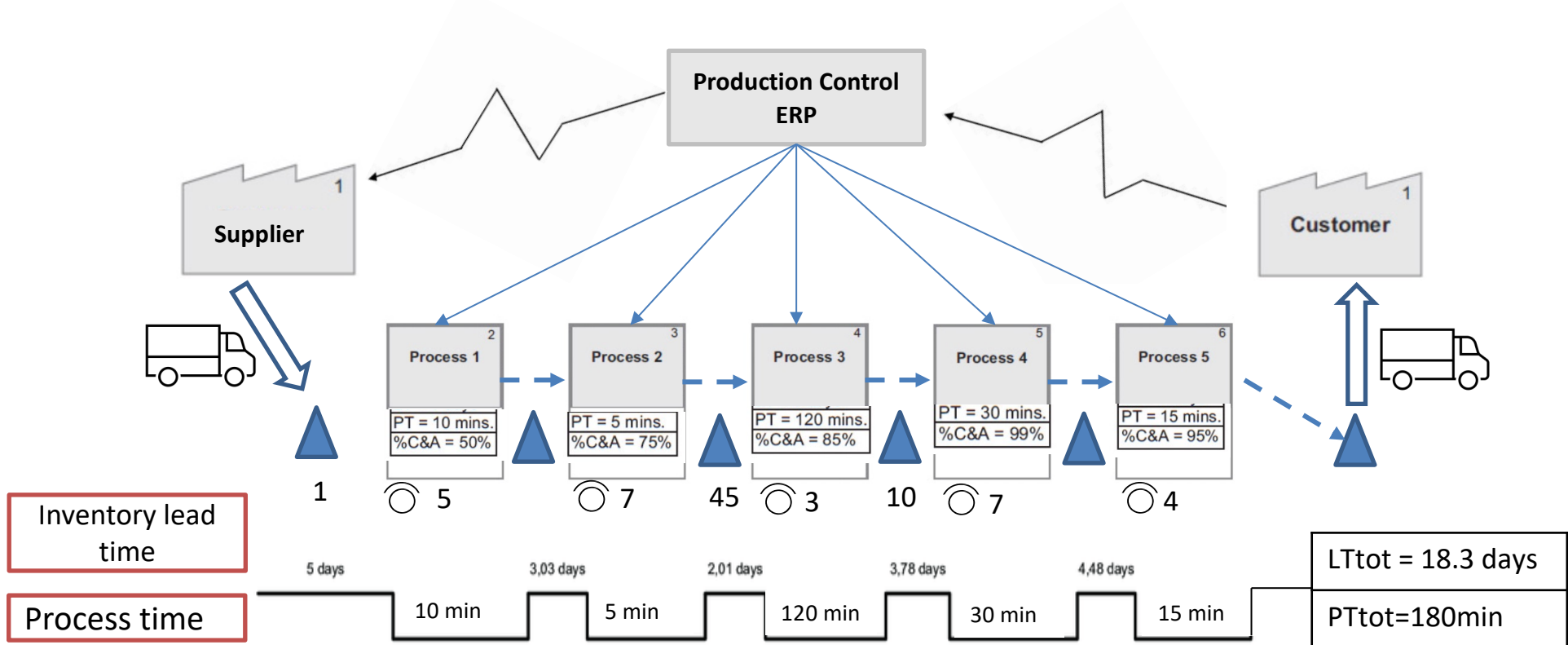
**Process efficiency:** ratio of value adding time (process time) to total lead time

$$\text{Process efficiency} = \frac{\sum \text{process time}}{\sum \text{lead time}}$$



# Understanding the Current State

## 4. Add timeline and calculations





# Analyse the current state

## 1. Look for WASTES

Seven + 1 categories of waste:

- overproduction,
- overprocessing,
- defect,
- inventory,
- waiting,
- transportation,
- motion,
- underutilization of people (in terms of experience, knowledge, skills and creativity).

Make the “**right work**” flow across the value stream without delays and unnecessary effort and expense. The goal should be to deliver high quality as quickly and inexpensively as possible.

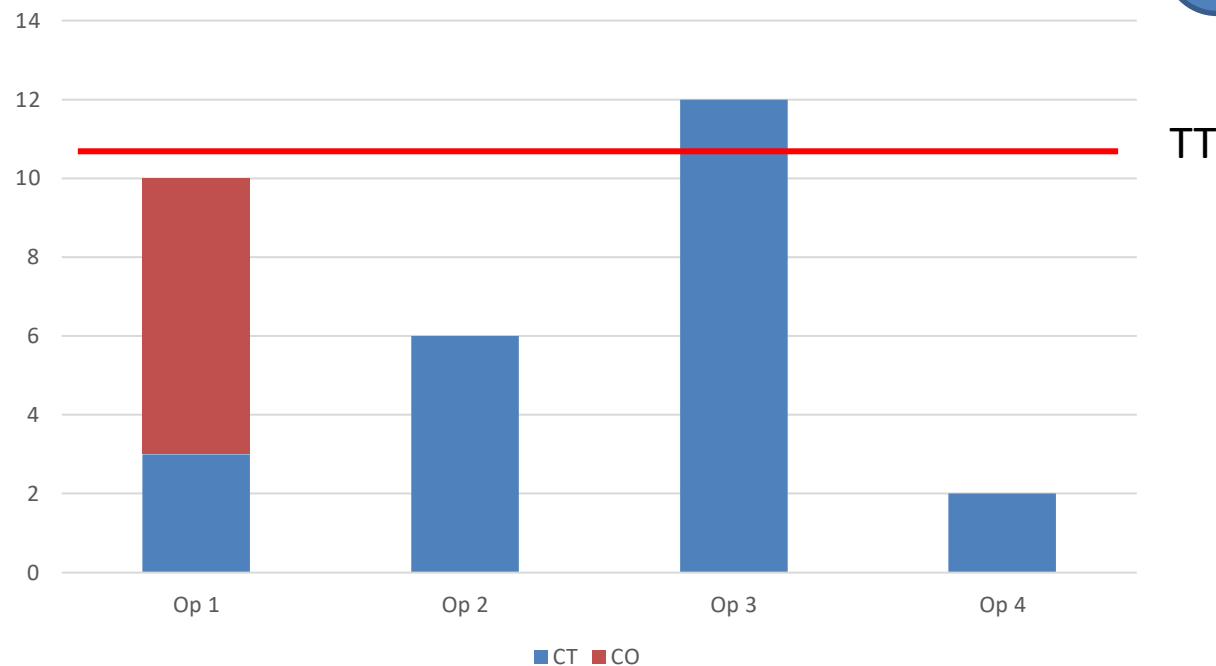




# Analyse the current state

## 2. Analyse process capacity

→ Capacity analysis diagram



Consider the amount of capacity is used in each machine.

CT= cycle time    CO = change over time





## Analyse the current state

Can the process meet the customer demand?

How well the process is equipped to handle increasing demand levels?

$$\text{Over capacity} = \text{Takt time} - \text{Cycle time}_{\text{bottle neck}}$$

$$\text{Max output} = \frac{\text{Available time}}{\text{Cycle time}_{\text{bottle neck}}}$$



# Designing the Future state

Three overall considerations to address when designing the future state:

- Determining the work that should be done,
- Making that work flow,
- Managing the work to achieve continuously improved performance.



## Determining the “Right Work”

*The work should be designed to eliminate delays, improve quality, and reduce unnecessary cost, labor effort, and frustration.*

Optimal system’s performance:

- Delivering customer value in a way in which the organization has **no unnecessary expense**;
- Work flows **without delays**;
- Organization is 100% **compliant** with all local, state and federal laws;
- Organization meets all customer-defined requirements;
- Employees are **safe** and treated with respect.



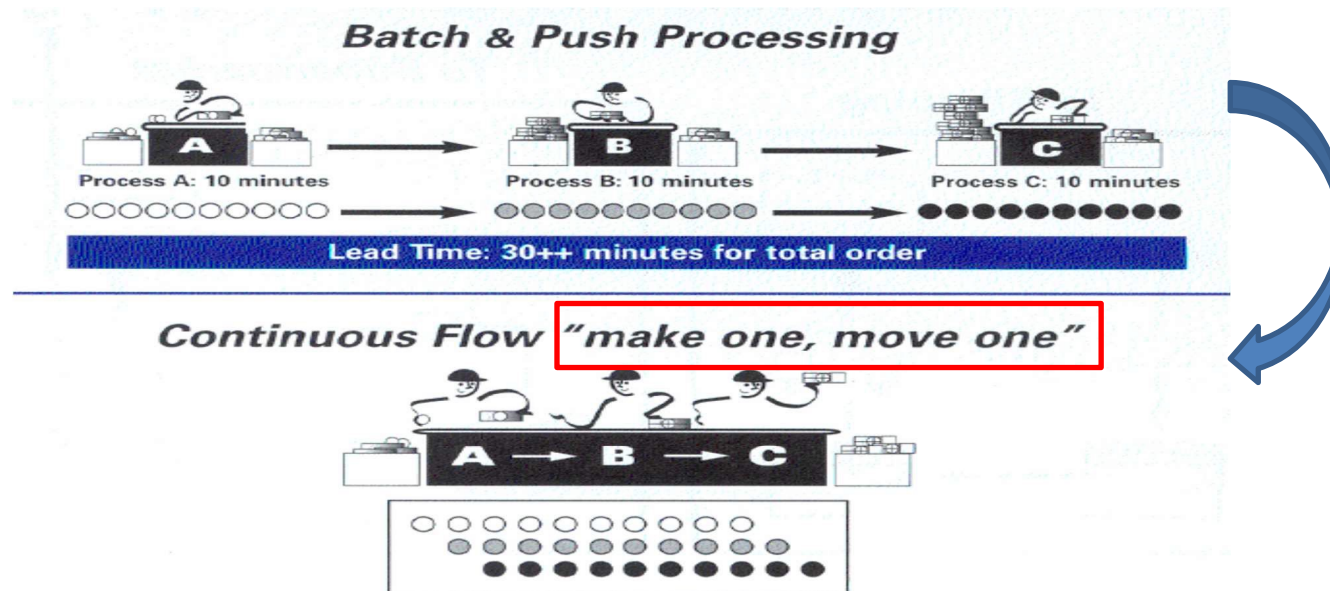
# Move towards continuous flow

## Continuous flow

- **minimising** the number of steps as well as stoppage times.  
→ reduce the lead time.
- make the “**right work**” flow across the value stream without delays and unnecessary effort and expense.

# Move towards continuous flow

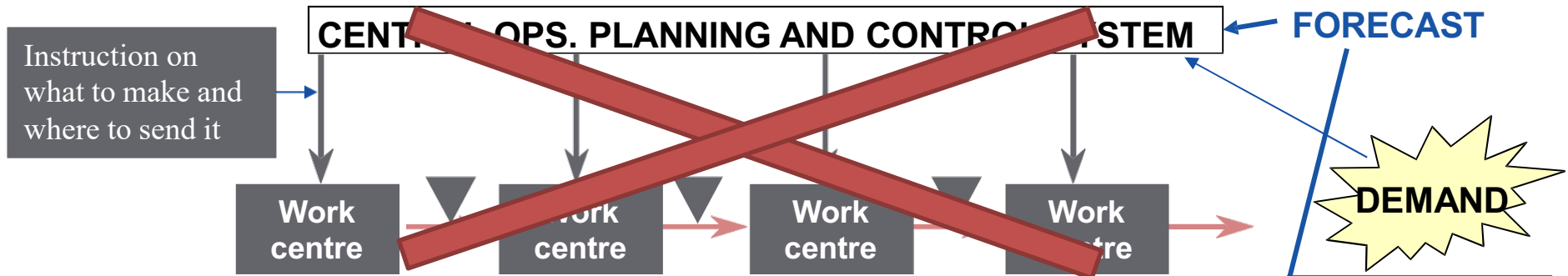
How to achieve continuous flow?



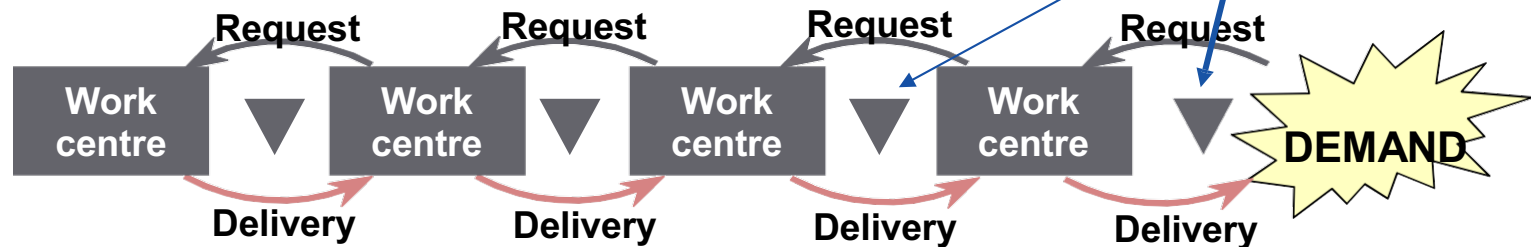
# Control of production flow: Pull vs ~~Push~~

## Lead Time ?

**PUSH CONTROL**



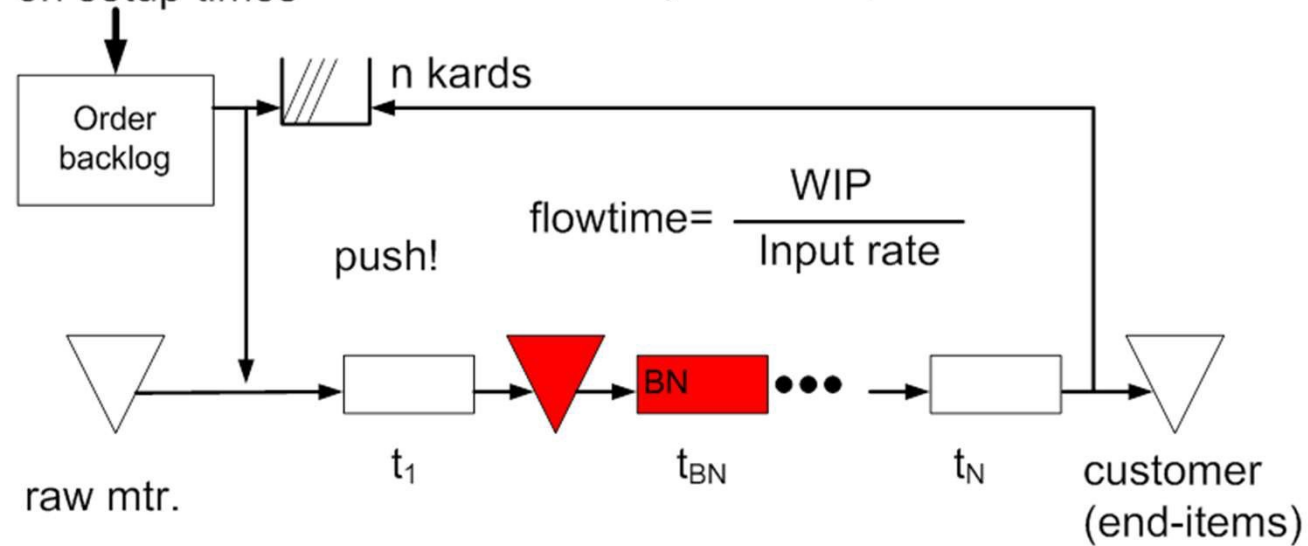
**PULL CONTROL**



# CONWIP (constant work in progress)

dictates the sequence based on setup times

many different products

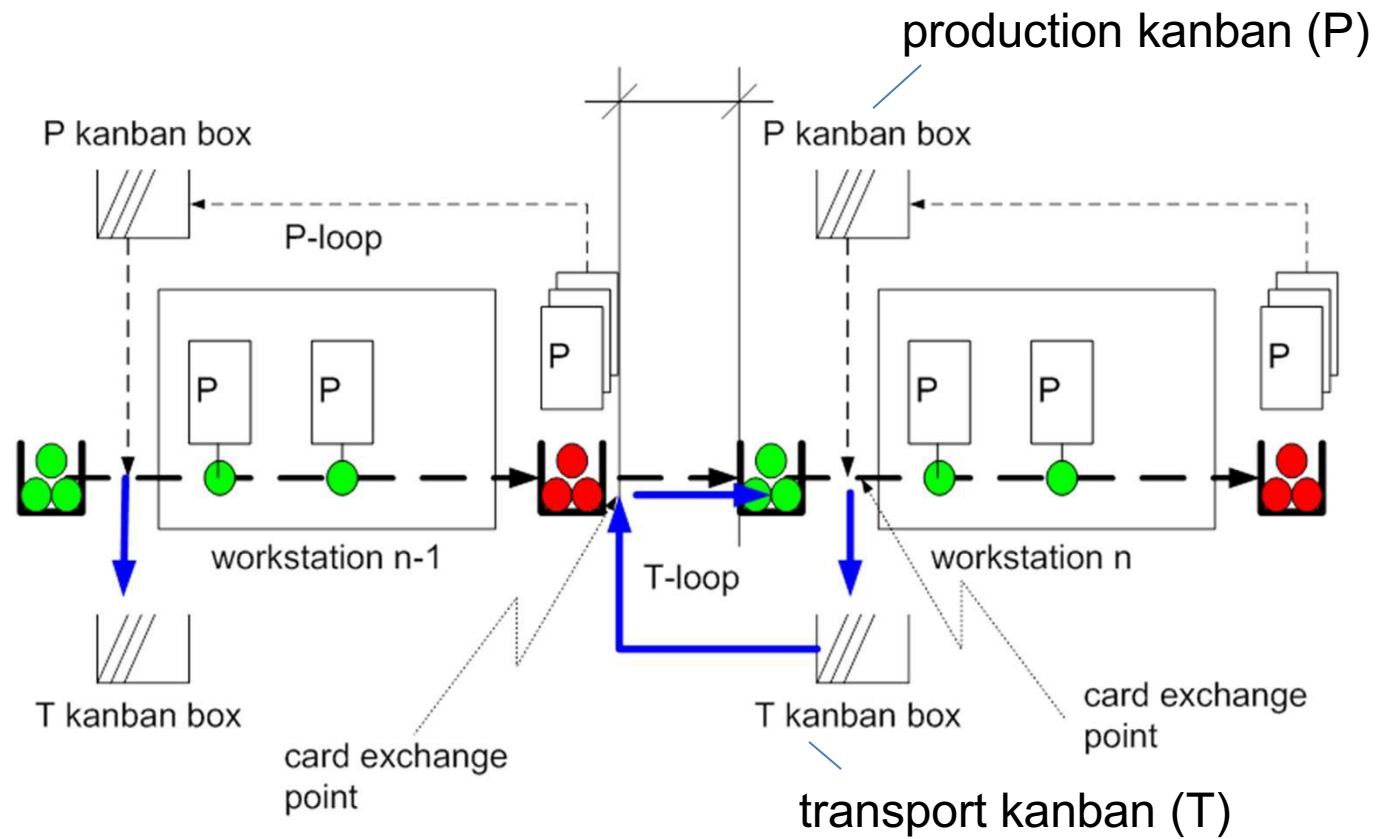


$$\sum^N t_i - t_{BN} = (n-1)t_{BN}$$

Number of kanban	$n = \frac{\sum^N t_i}{t_{BN}}$
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# Kanban



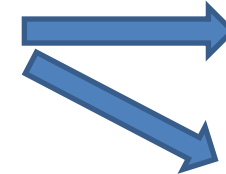


transport kanban (T)  
produktions kanban (P)

## Kanban

Number of P and T  
kanban sets for a  
given part

$$n = \frac{DL(1+\alpha)}{C}$$



$$n_p = \frac{Dt_p(1+\alpha)}{C}$$

$$n_t = \frac{Dt_w(1+\alpha)}{C}$$

- Where:
- **D** = demand per day (leveled demand per day)
  - **L** = average lead time for the container (in fractions of the day)  
 $L = t_p + t_w$
  - **tp** = average processing time per container (in fractions of the day)
  - **tw** = average waiting time during the production process + transportation time per container (in fractions of the day)
  - **C** = container capacity in units of products (not more than 10% of daily demand)
  - **α** = safety coefficient (not more than 10%)
  - average demand during lead time plus a safety stock =  $DL(1+\alpha)$



# Implementing pull production flow

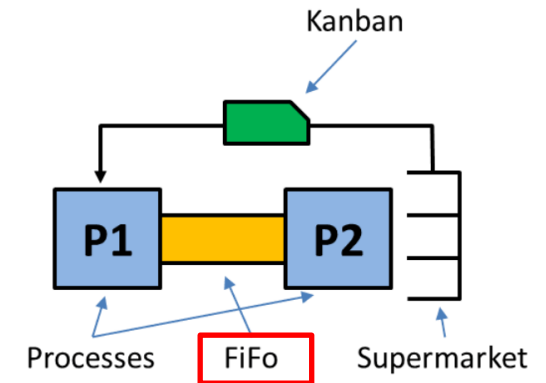
## One-piece flow

First we check **where** you can implement one-piece flow between processes.

- Process times must be **repeatable**. If there is much variation, one-piece flow is impossible.
- Equipment must have very high (near 100 percent) **uptime**. Equipment must always be available to run. If equipment within a manufacturing cell is plagued with downtime, one-piece flow will be impossible.
- Processes must be able to be scaled to **takt** time, or the rate of customer demand.



# Implementing pull production flow



## FIFO lane

A controlled inventory point between two process steps, which has a maximum number of products in it and a fixed sequence in which products are taken out of the inventory.

FIFO could be used:

- When P2 has longer **change-over times** than P1. The FIFO prevents P1 from waiting when P2 is working on a change over.
- When **P2 is a bottleneck** machine. The FIFO prevents P2 from idling when P1 has a change over or a breakdown.
- When the **physical distance** between P1 and P2 is relatively large, in which case Transport might be done in batches.
- In **Mixed Model environments** where cycle times vary on P2. The FIFO prevents idling time on machine P1 when P2 is working on products with longer cycle times.

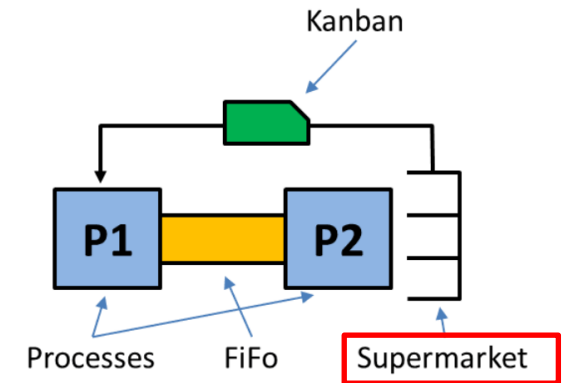


# Implementing pull system product

## Supermarket

A supermarket is a method of managing inventory in which a variation of parts can be kept without knowing in what order the parts will be taken from the inventory.

A supermarket is a combination of **FIFO lanes** for different parts. The parts by type leave in the same sequence as they arrive. When a part leaves, information is sent back along the value stream to replenish the part



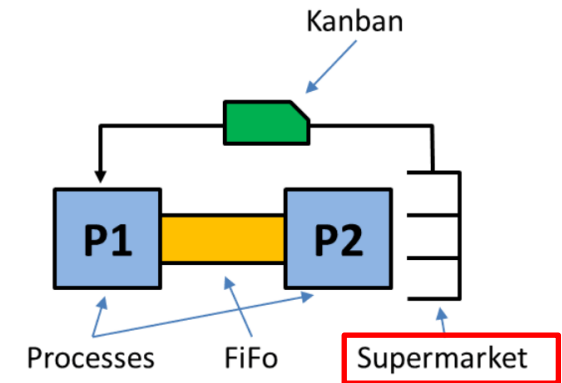


# Implementing pull system product

## Supermarket

When to use a supermarket:

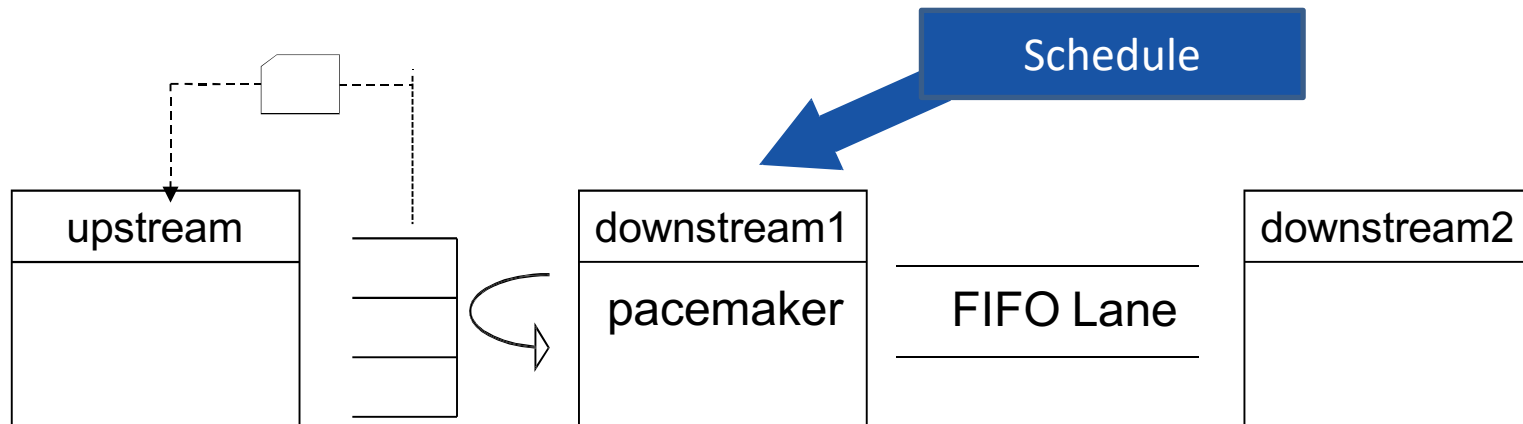
- 1: Use Supermarkets for Lot Size Differences
- 2: Supermarket in Front of the Customer
- 3: Material Flow Splits Up into Different Directions
- 4: Supermarket Between Very Different Cycle Times
- 5: Long distance between processes.





# Pacemaker Process

1. Sets the pace for all upstream processes
  - a) Upstream processes only produce when there is a pull signal from the pacemaker
  - b) All downstream processes have a continuous flow.
2. Decides upon lead time to customer
3. Fluctuation in volume affects capacity requirements in upstream processes





# Continuous flow

The **layout** of the production flow has significant **influence** on the possibility of approaching continuous flow.

Strive for:

- short distance between process steps
- Small buffer
- Small package units
- Frequent transports



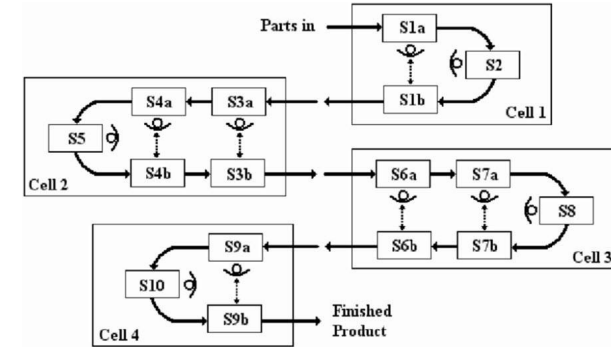
# Selection of Layout



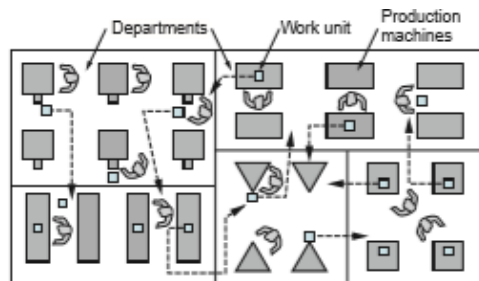
Fast position



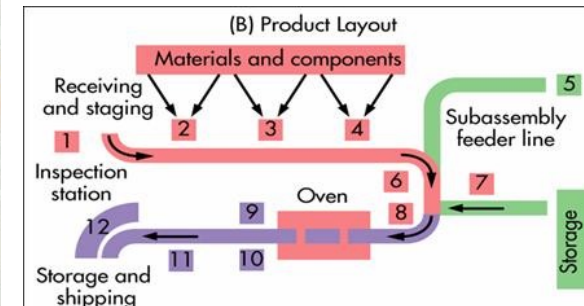
Cell layout



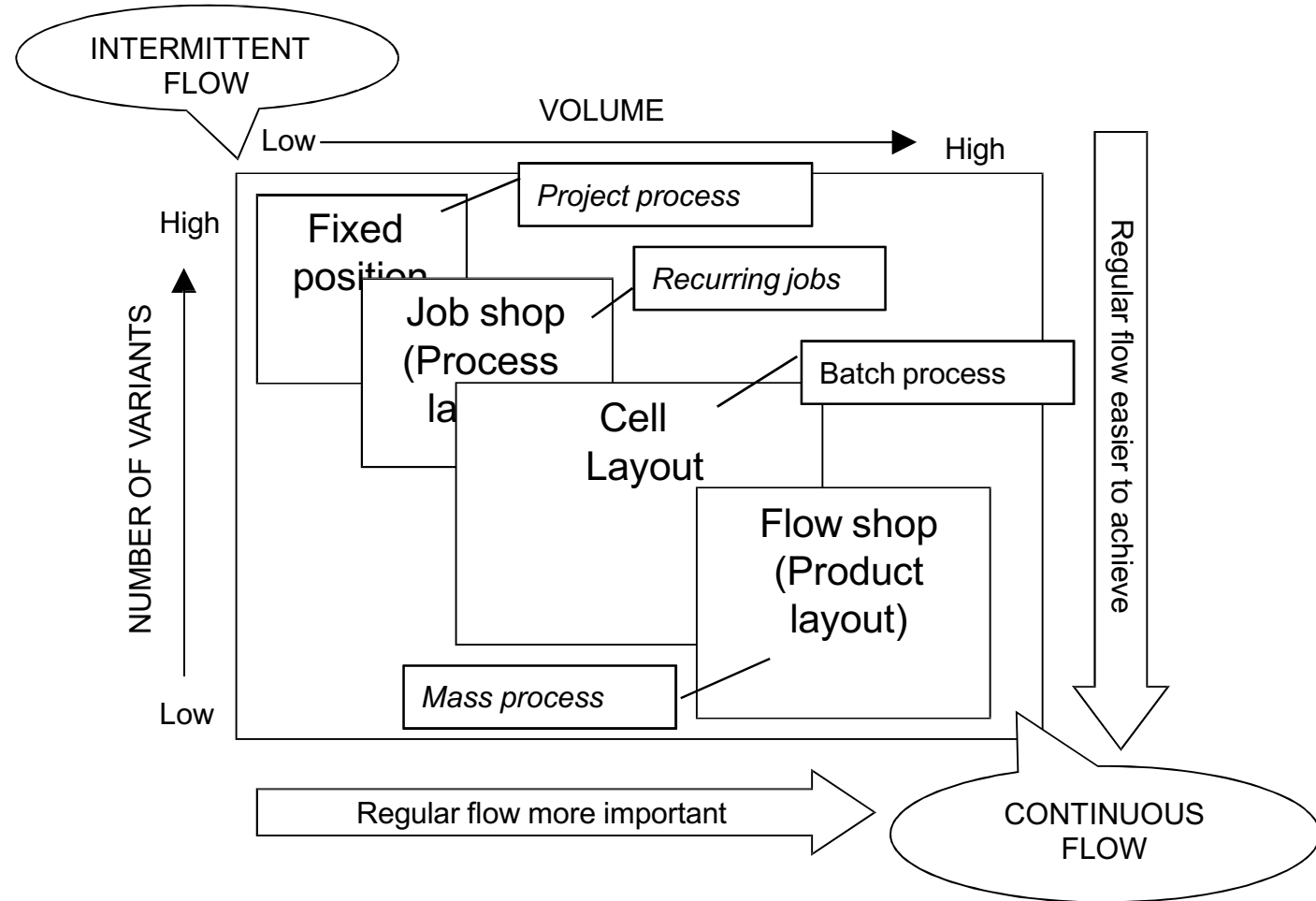
Process layout



Product layout



# Volume / number of variants





## Select number of stations

$$\text{Nb of stations} = \frac{\text{Sum of operation times}}{\text{Takt time}}$$

How to group operations into process steps?  
How many process steps do we need?



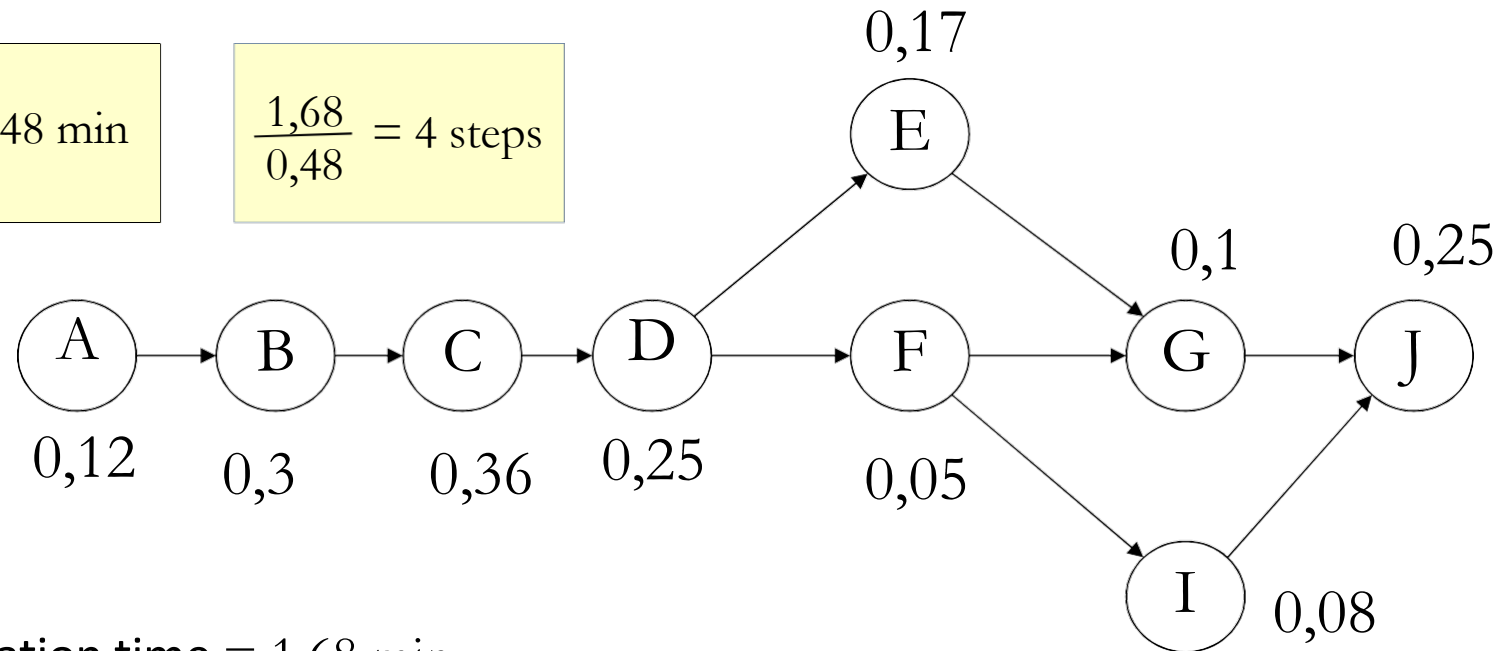
# Example: Design of product layout

Demand = 5000 items/week

Precedence diagram:  
(A, B, ... - operations)

$$TT = \frac{5 \cdot 8 \cdot 60}{5000} = 0,48 \text{ min}$$

$$\frac{1,68}{0,48} = 4 \text{ steps}$$

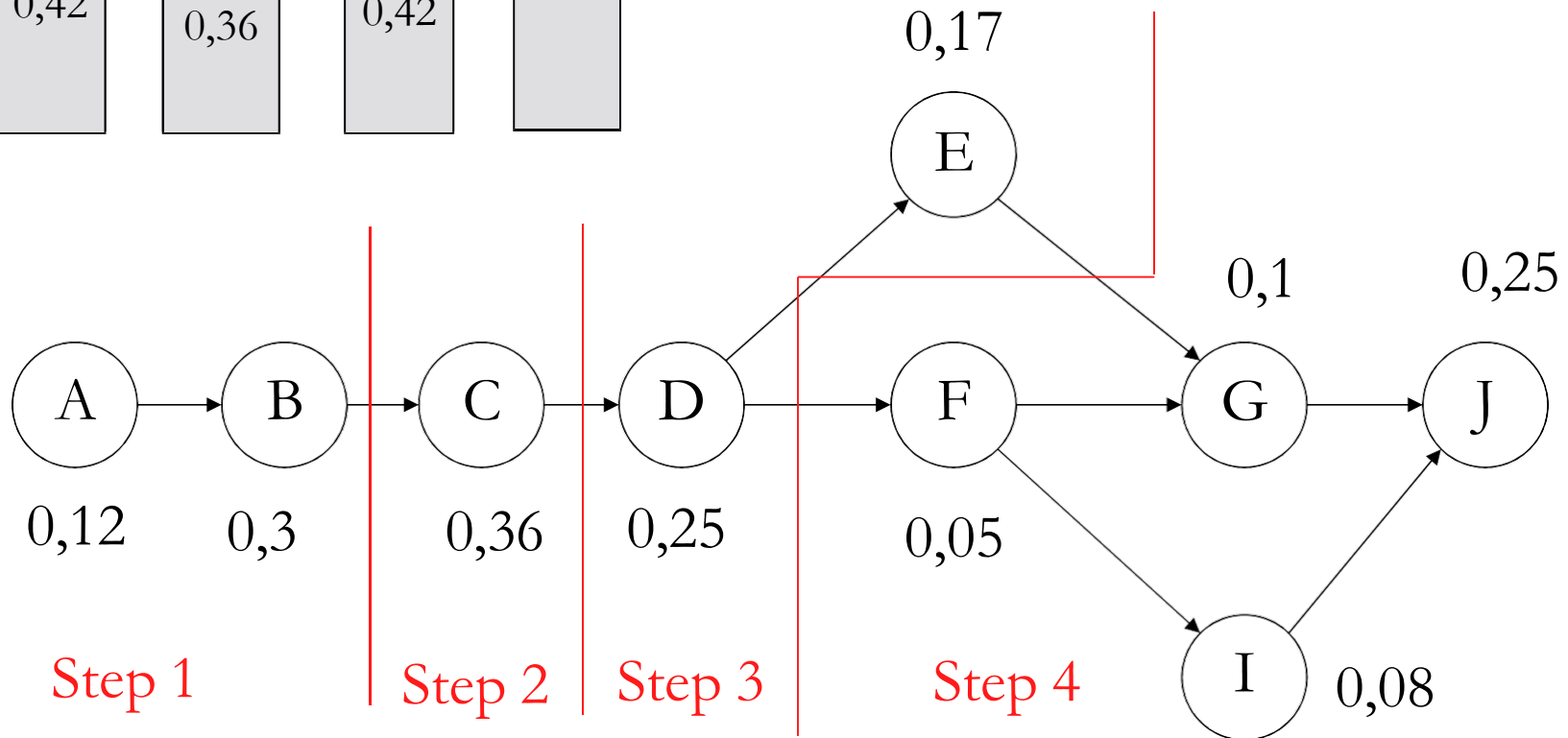
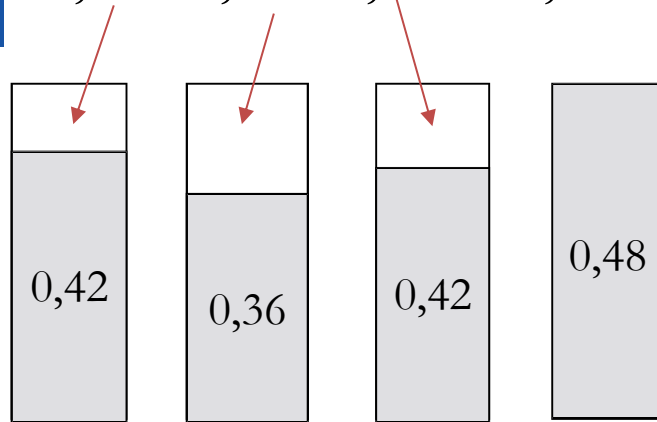


Sum of operation time = 1,68 min



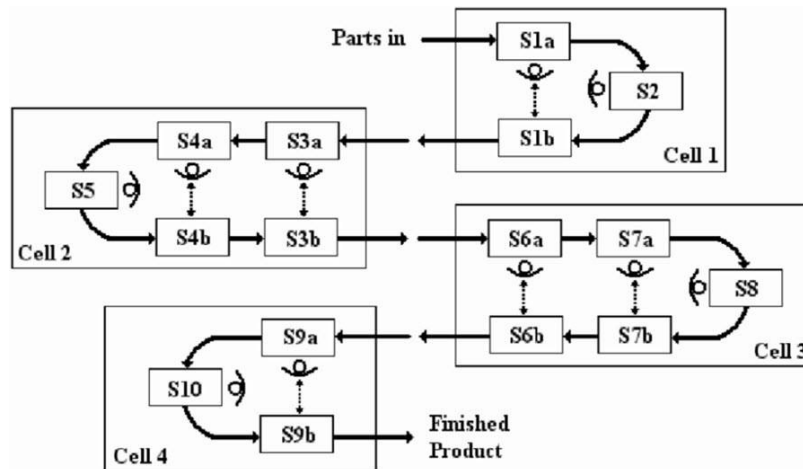
Time losses in all steps  
 $0,06 + 0,12 + 0,06 = 0,24$  min

$$\text{Balance losses} = \frac{0,24}{4 \times 0,48} = 12,5\%$$



# Cell layout

- A compromise between process and product layout
- Make one move one material flow within the cell





## Selection of cell layout

### Requirement for the cell layout

- Identification of **families products**
- High level of training, flexibility and empowerment of **employees**
- Being **self-contained** with its own equipment and resources.



Products grouped together  
into families with similar  
manufacturing  
requirements

### Available Methods:

- Intuitive grouping (*Max 100 article numbers and 12 machines*)
- Coding and Classification (*used for complex product mix*)
- **"Production Flow Analysis"**



# Production Flow Analysis (PFA)

Pump Machining  
Production Flow  
Analysis

		Before Grouping						Products	
		Broach	HMC	Lathe-Chuck	Hob	Lathe-Manual	Hob		Lathe-Bar
61354	Cover Bearing			X					
70852	Gear Driven 8P, 56T, RH	X		X	X		X		
52594	Spacer, cplg Shaft							X	
81357-T	Impellor	X		X					
50547-D	Gland, MU, 6"					X			
70935	Gear, Driven, 8P, 26T, LH	X		X	X		X		
51171	Retainer Bushing							X	
81176	Body Volute		X						
72298	Elbow, Relief Valve		X						
50763	Spacer, Bearing							X	
71972-8	Adapter, Intake, 8"		X			X			
62575	Shaft Shift							X	
63160	Seat, Spring							X	
62966	Generator, Tach Pulse			X	X				
71928	Head, Pump					X			

Process

Rearranging the rows and columns, as in the second matrix, clearly shows families

Pump Machining  
Production Flow  
Analysis

		After Grouping						
		Lathe-Manual	Lathe-Ver	HMC	Lathe-Chuck	Broach	Hob	Lathe-Bar
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71928	Head, Pump	X	X					Turn-Mill Cell
71972-8	Adapter, Intake, 8"	X	X	X				Turn-Mill Cell
81176	Body Volute		X	X				
72298	Elbow, Relief Valve			X				
81357-T	Impellor				X	X		
62966	Generator, Tach Pulse				X		X	
70852	Gear Driven 8P, 56T, RH				X	X	X	
70935	Gear, Driven, 8P, 26T, LH				X	X	X	
61354	Cover Bearing				X			
52594	Spacer, cplg Shaft							X
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Chucking  
Lathe Cell

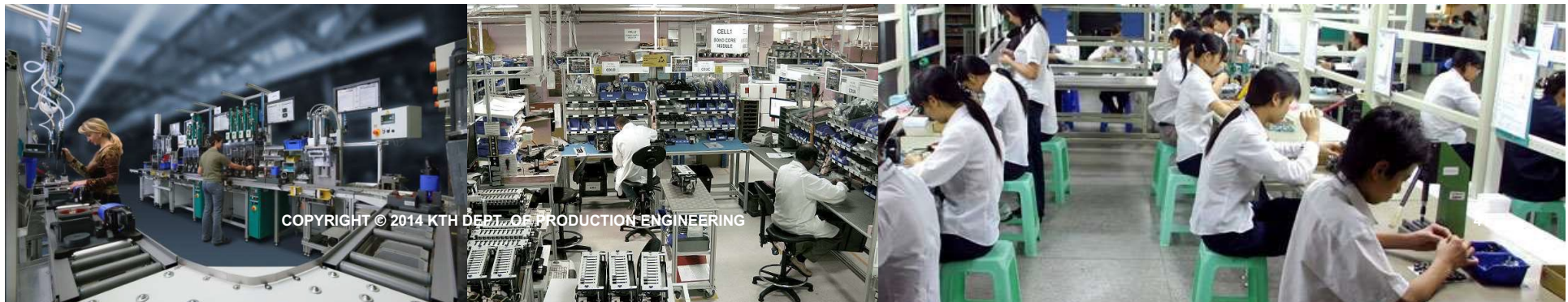
Barfeed  
Lathe Cell





## Balancing of cells

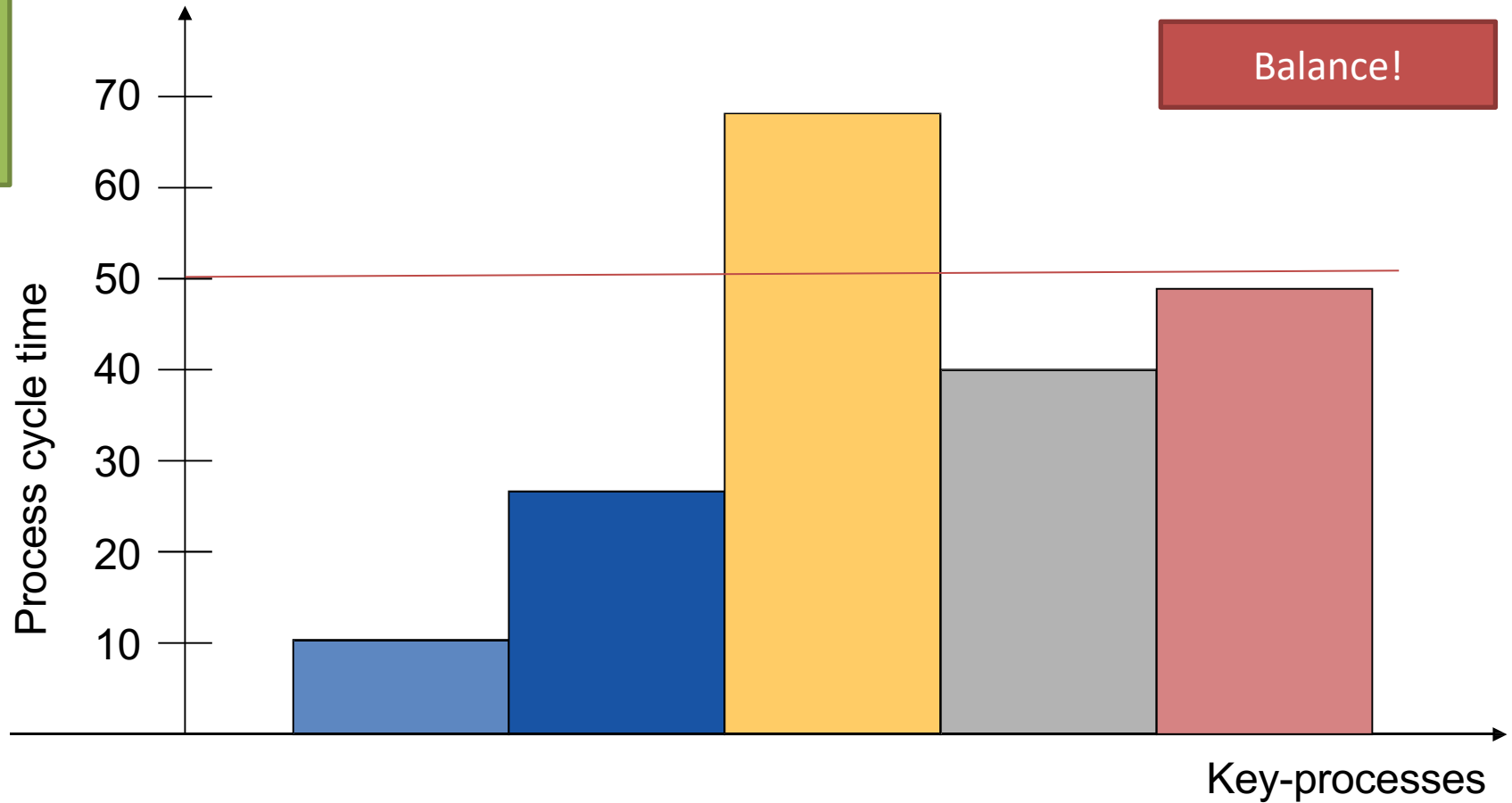
- Difficulty to divide the work equally between stations
- Natural variation in work time
- Difference in product mix





# Rebalancing the process

Observation from current state





## **Balancing of equipment /Inherent balance**

Divide the job equally between the machines

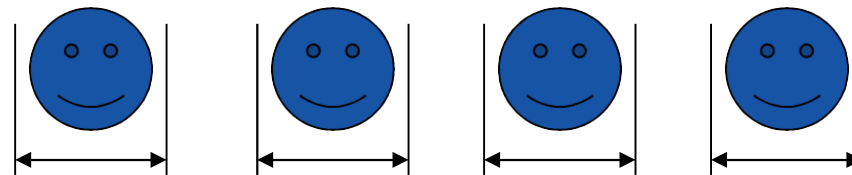
The line has to be rebalanced anyway

→ for each new product

→ at each setup

# Balancing people

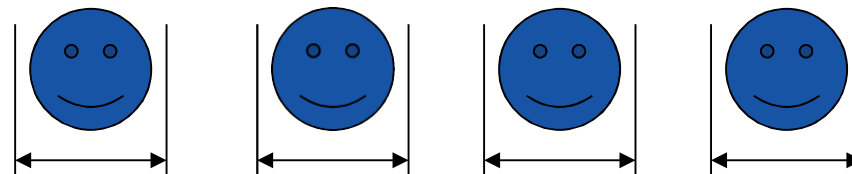
Inherent line balance



0,5 min    0,5 min    0,5 min    0,5 min

Difficult to achieve

Surplus people capacity

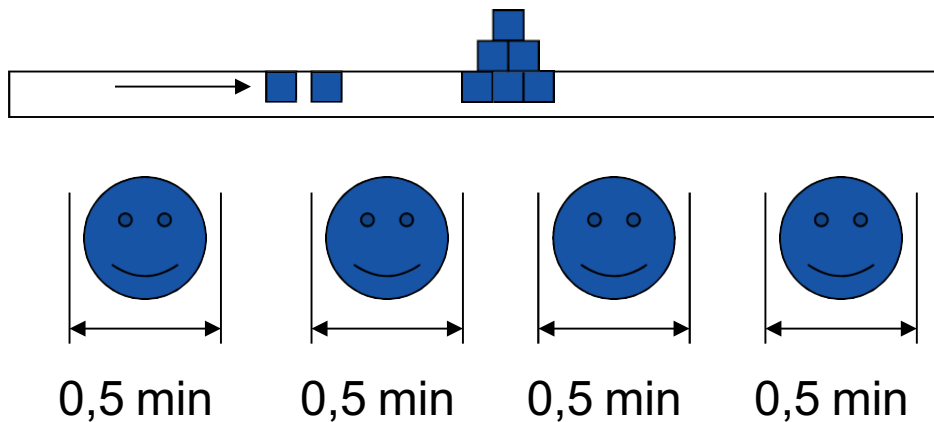


0,25 min    0,5 min    0,3 min    0,2 min

Unacceptable

# Balancing people

## Queuing



Compensates for cycle-to-cycle variation  
Queue before worker  
shows who is unbalanced

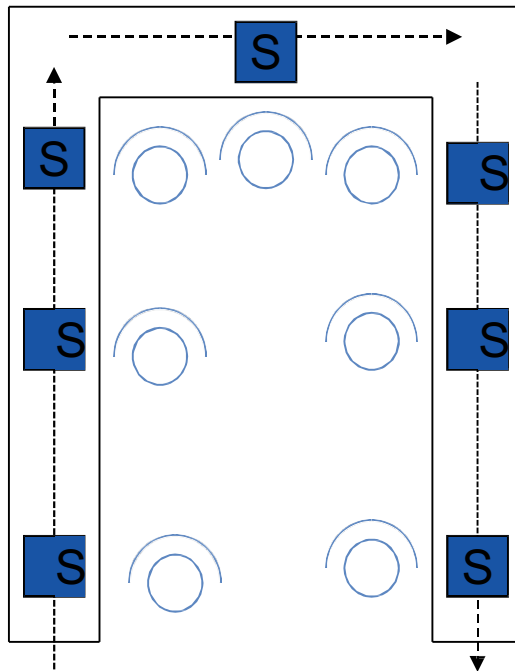


## Distributing the job

- Rearrange tasks to reduce excess capacity and (eventual) bottlenecks.
- Move resources (workers) of the line that have excess capacity to bottlenecks.
  - Alleviate the workload where there are blockages, and move it to places where excess capacity can be filled by absorbing more work.
- Result:
  - Reduced **waiting waste** in the places where there was excess capacity.
  - Improved production flow where there were bottlenecks.

Which work content to assign to each operator?

## One operator per station

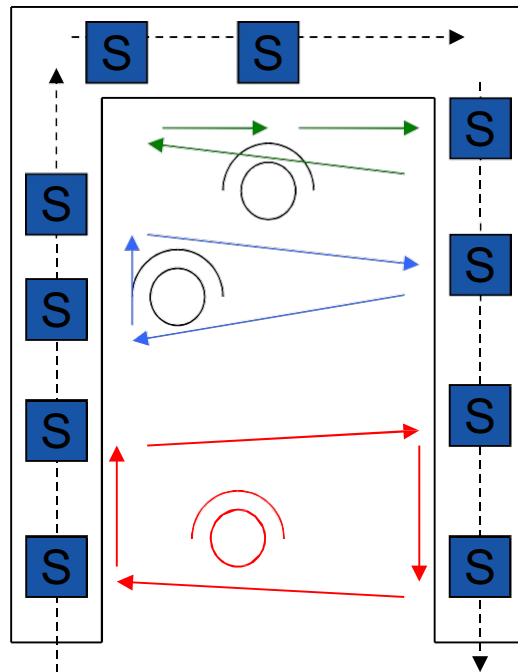


+ if a lot of manual work,  
no automated equipment  
(i.e. assembly)  
+ easy assignment of work

- Balance of work  
- Possibility to diversify the work  
- Often a conveyor required to  
provide the sense of continuous  
flow (tendency to regression to  
batching)

Which work content to assign to each of the operators?

## Splitting



### Splitting of the work

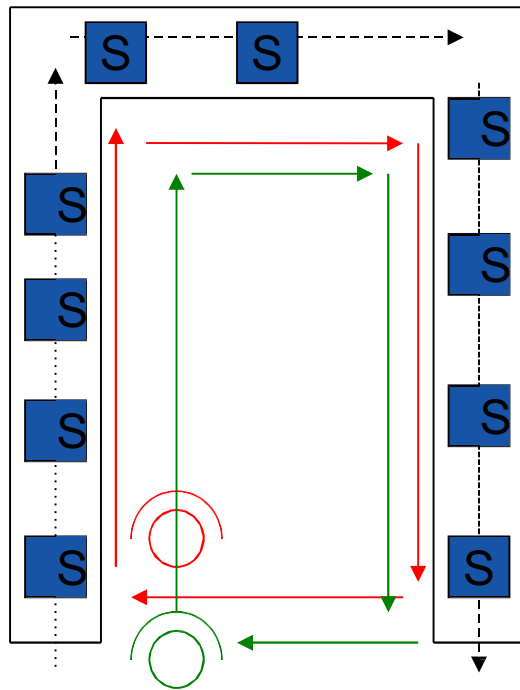
(Cross the cell work combination)

- Many combinations of work elements
- Assign the first and the last operation to one and the same operator to improve the sense of takt time



# Which work content to assign to each of the operators?

## The circuit



- +Natural pacing effect
- +Easy to implement
- +Volume flexibility
- +Job rotation (work more interesting)

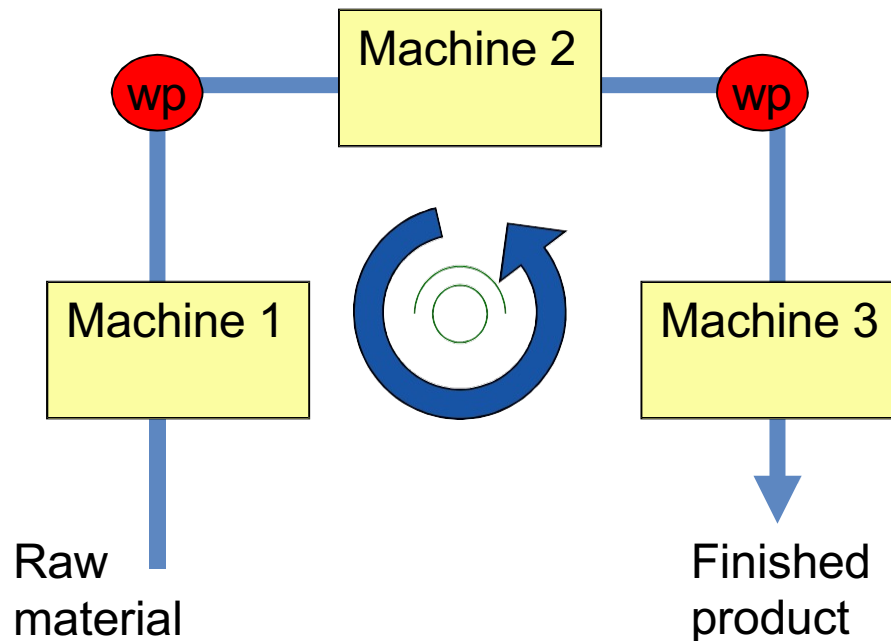
- Difficult to coordinate more than two operators
- Similar work time at each station required (<40% of Cycle Time at one station)
- Skilled operators required



Which work content to assign to each of the operators?

## Reverse flow

- +More natural working sequence
- One piece between workstations required (WIP)



Start at machine 3 –  
unload  
place in out box  
take wp from between m2 and m3  
and load,  
start cycle m3  
go to m2 empty handed  
Machine 2  
(as above)  
go to m1 empty handed



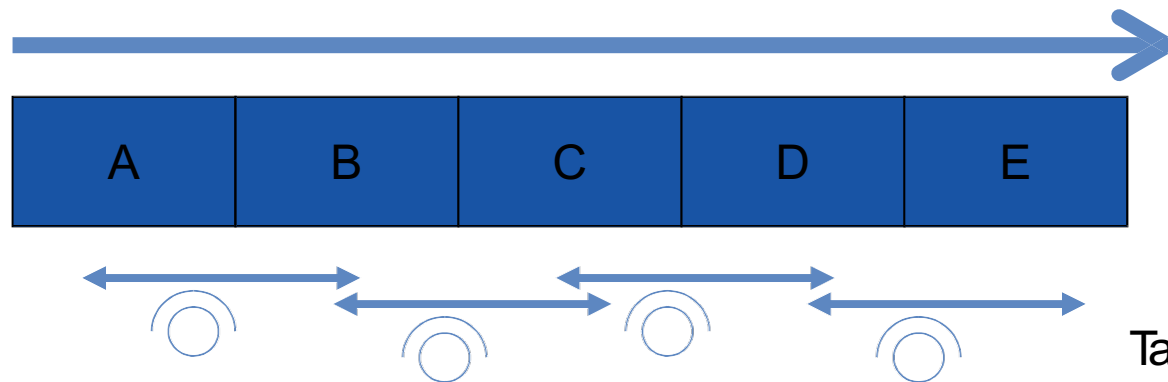
Which work content to assign to each of the operators?

## Ratchet

Nb of operators = nb of machines - 1

2 operators work in one station

Each operator moves back at 50% of takt time

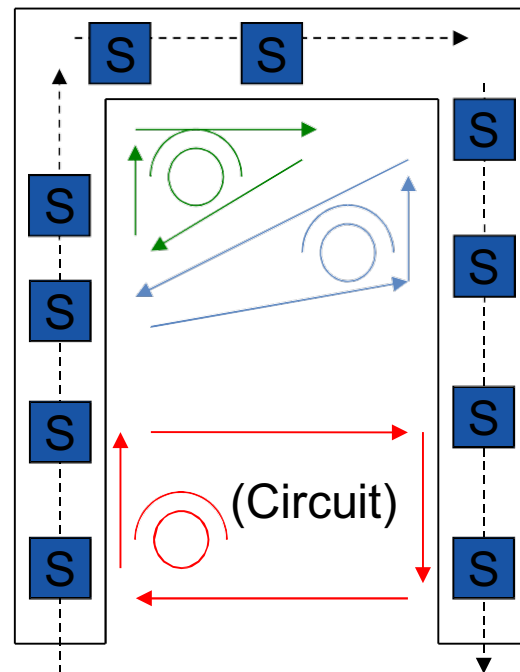


Take a wp from A to B  
Put into machine  
Start the cycle  
Move back empty-handed



Which work content to assign to each of the operators?

## Combination



Splitting + circuit or reverse  
Benefits of circuit if more than 2  
operators required



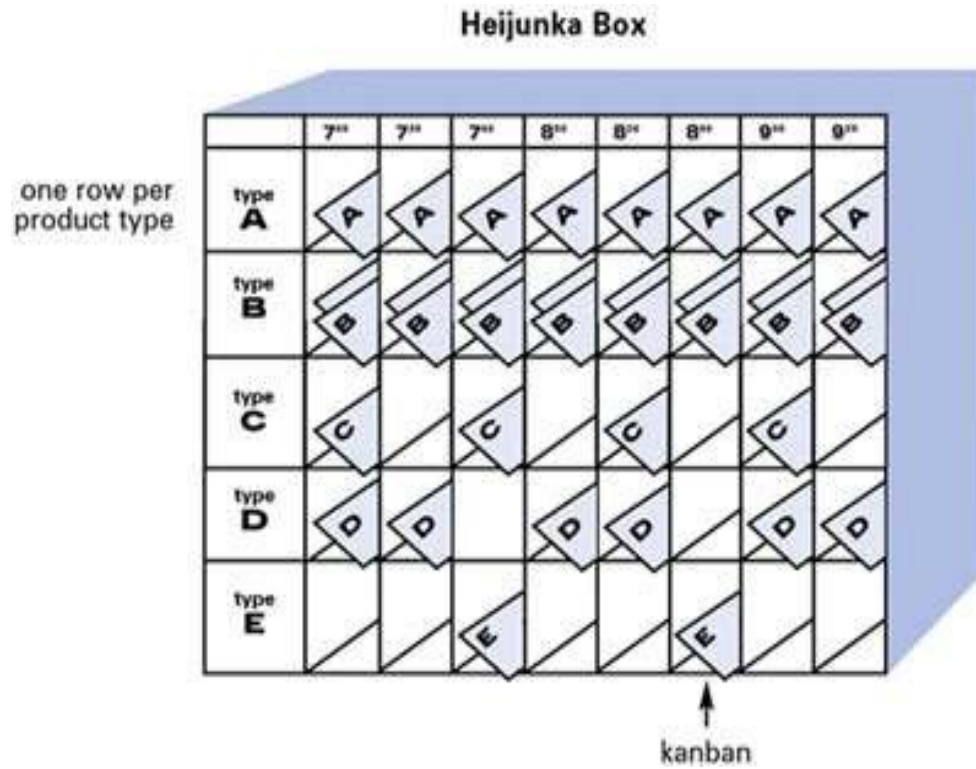
## Leveling the mix

Large batches makes lead time large – this forces more inventory both down- and up the stream

To decrease lead time – level the mix!

(**Inventory** is what we need to cover demand during lead time plus safety stock to cover variation in customer orders and lead times)

# Heijunka box





## A pitch

Time to make 1 box of an article

Pitch = takt time \* box size

TT= 40s; box =30 pieces => pitch = 20 minutes

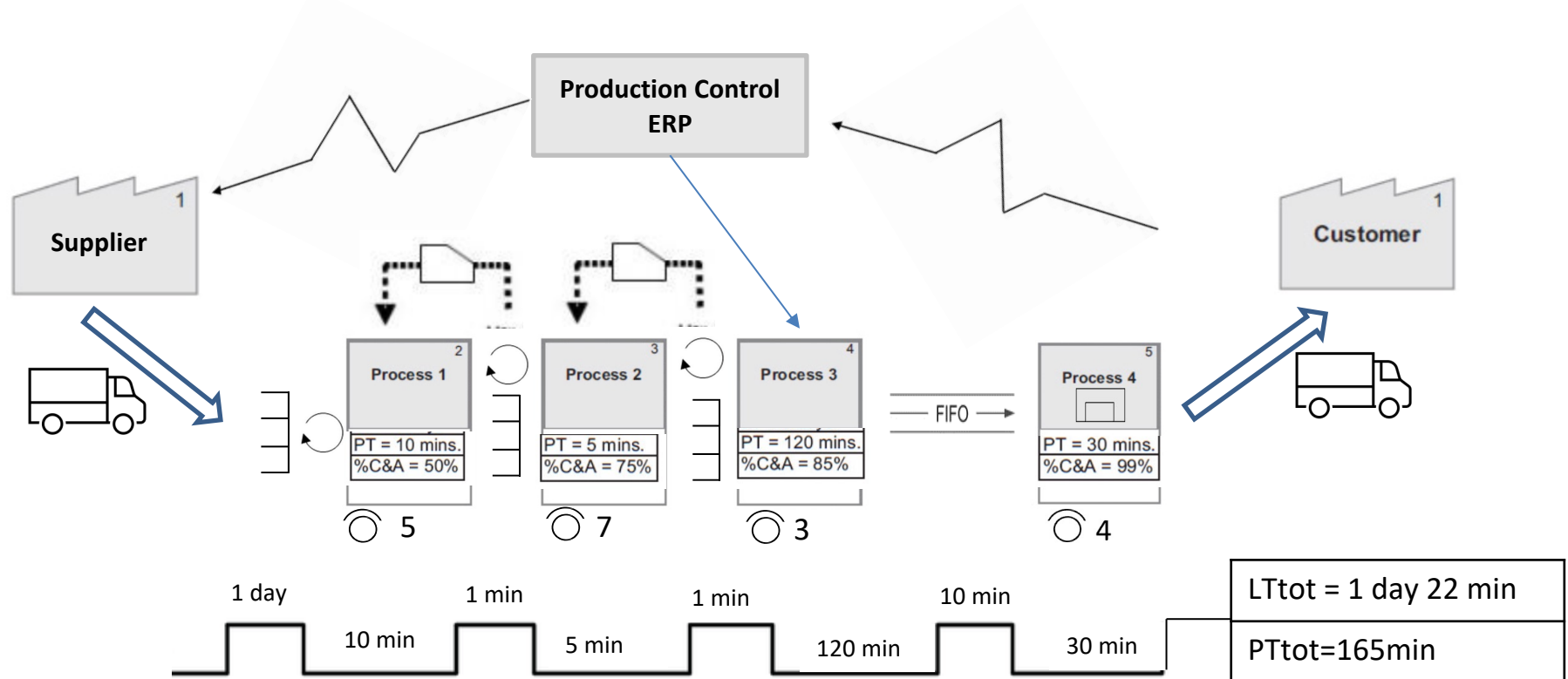
6.00	6.20	6.40	7.00	7.20					
S	S						S	S	
			L	L	L				
						A			

The mix: S S L L L A S ...repeat



# Design the future state map

Put everything together

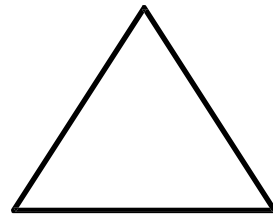




# Symbols: summary

Process 1	
CT	2min
CO	1h
A	80%
Shift	3

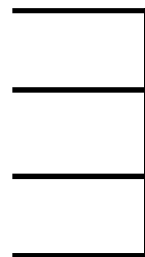
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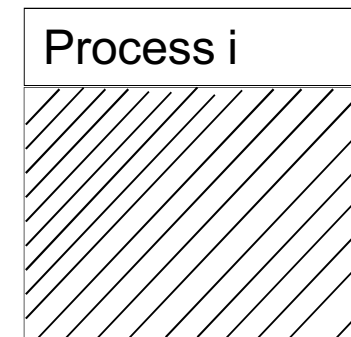
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Process 2	
CT	5min
CO	2h
A	90%
Shift	2

supermarket

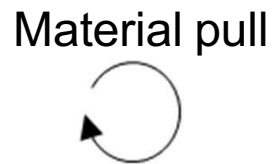
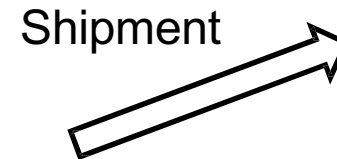
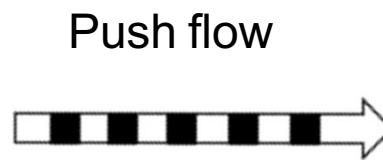
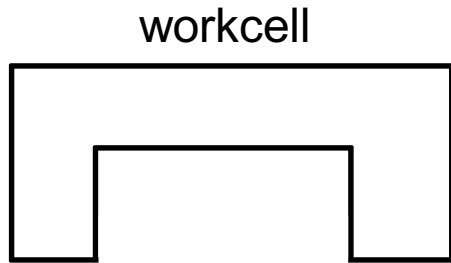


Shared process

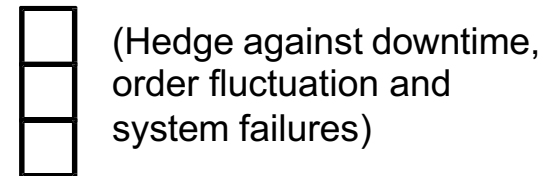




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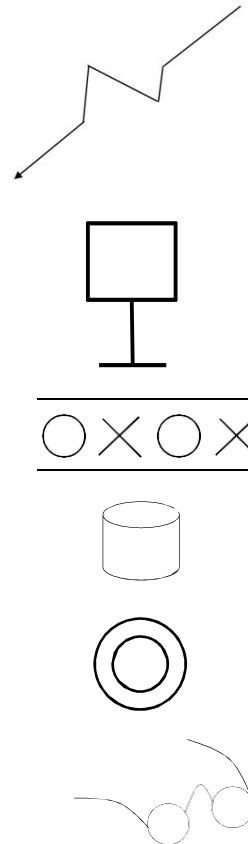
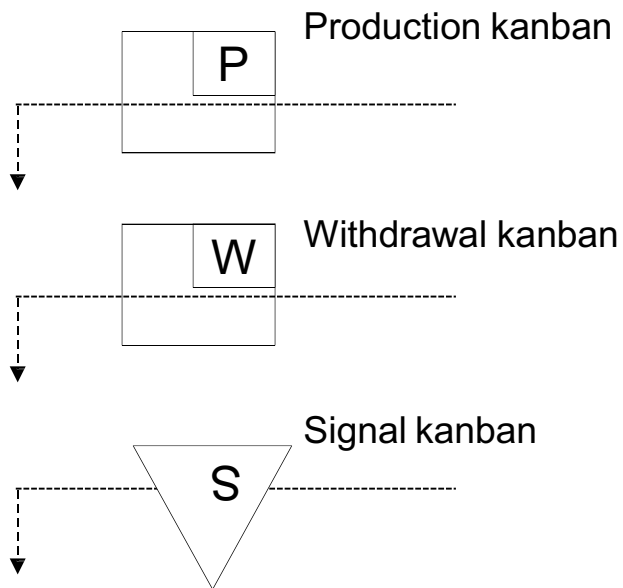


Safety stock



# Information symbols

Manual information from meetings, memos, conversations



Electronic information exchanged by internet and ERP systems /DB

Kanban post

Load leveling

MRP

sequencing

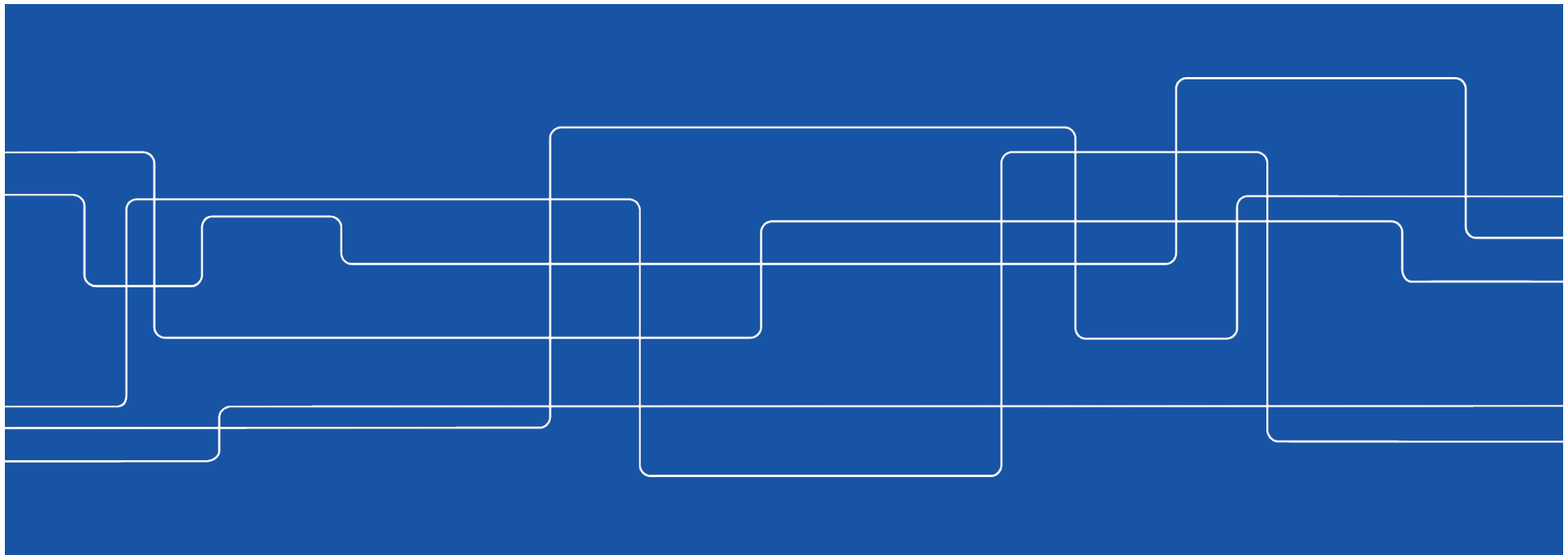
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# Value Stream Mapping Project

**“Lean manufacturing initiative at M AB”**

Industrial Process Engineering MG2029ht2023





## Overview

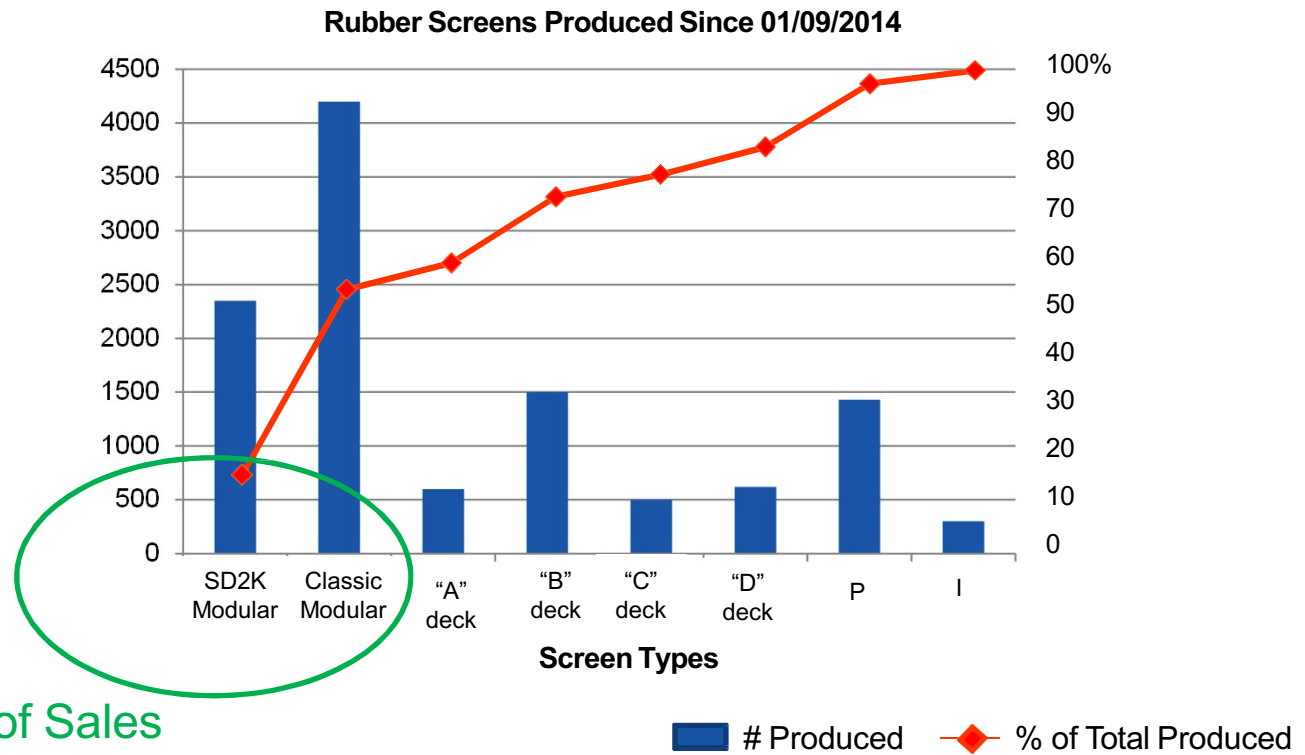
- The “M AB” Company produces armed rubber panels for mining industry.
- The panels are used for protection during blasting operations
- High increase in sales
- Decreasing Profit
- Product lead-times are increasing.
- Chaotic situation
  - operators are waiting to get material
  - managers are stressed to ship orders on time.



## Overview

- Many variants and sizes in production
- Batch production: batch=entire order
- High levels of work in process
- Shift work
- The production scheduling and planning is quite complex => frequent planning mistakes

# Sales during last 12 months





## Your task (in groups 5 people)

- Form a group! (Canvas groups will open soon)
- Read the project description and draw a current state map
- Ignore suppliers (vendor managed stocks)
- Create the current state map “collecting” the data (if missing assume reasonable values)
- Analyze the production flow and identify major problems
- Investigate what may be done to reduce lead times and increase throughput and propose a solution (motivate **why**)
- Discuss the proposed improvements in terms of lead time, throughput time, work in progress, and end-item stock.
- Discuss required buffers and safety stocks (what in your solution affects them?)
- Create future state map





## The key questions

1. How to select the right product family?
2. How to manage takt time?
3. Cycle times possible at the machines /cells
4. Throughput time?
5. Balance charts for stations
6. How to balance the flow
7. Pacemaker –
  - pitch,
  - scheduling of product mix
8. How to deal with changes in customer demand?



## Deliverables

- Written report (upload on Canvas)
  - Deadline **12<sup>th</sup>** of October
  - Text 1200-1500 words + 1 page current state map + 1 page future state map.
  - Proposed solutions well motivated
- Peer review of another group's report (upload on Canvas)
  - **13<sup>th</sup>** of October you will receive the report
  - Max 1 page
  - Deadline **20<sup>th</sup>** of October
  - Use the "Grading template VSM project" file in Canvas
- Bonus: **5** points based on both parts (the own solution and the quality of evaluation of the other project)



## Tutorials

- Book and attend the two 2h tutorials week 39-40-41
- Canvas booking will open soon in the Calendar
- Tutorials are **NOT** lectures
- Prepare questions!

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w39	Friday	29/09/2023	10:00	12:00	Lab-VSM	M231	VSM1-2
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**Thanks for listening!**

