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# THE USE OF DIGITAL TWIN TECHNOLOGY IN BATTERY DESIGN AND MANUFACTURING

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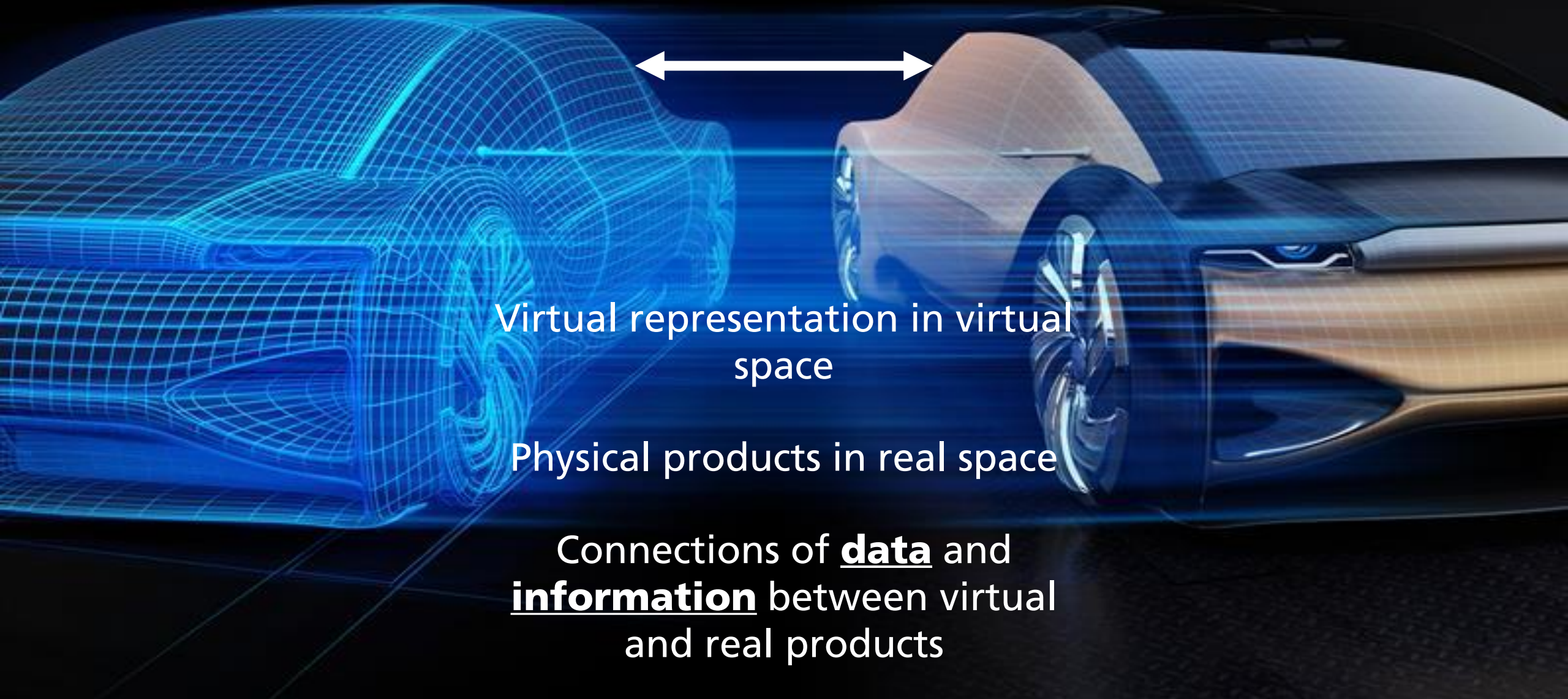
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# Digital Twin Technology



Virtual representation in virtual space

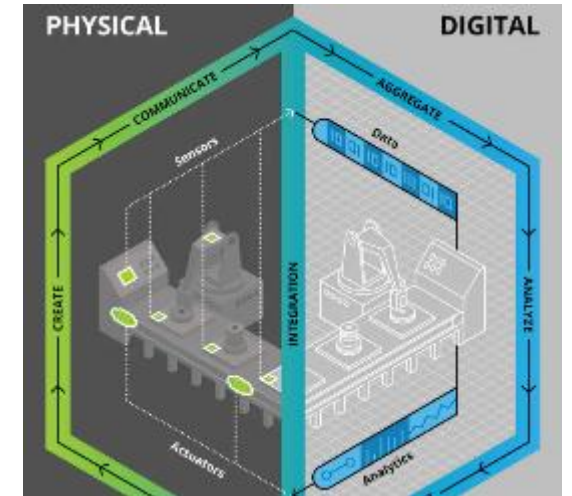
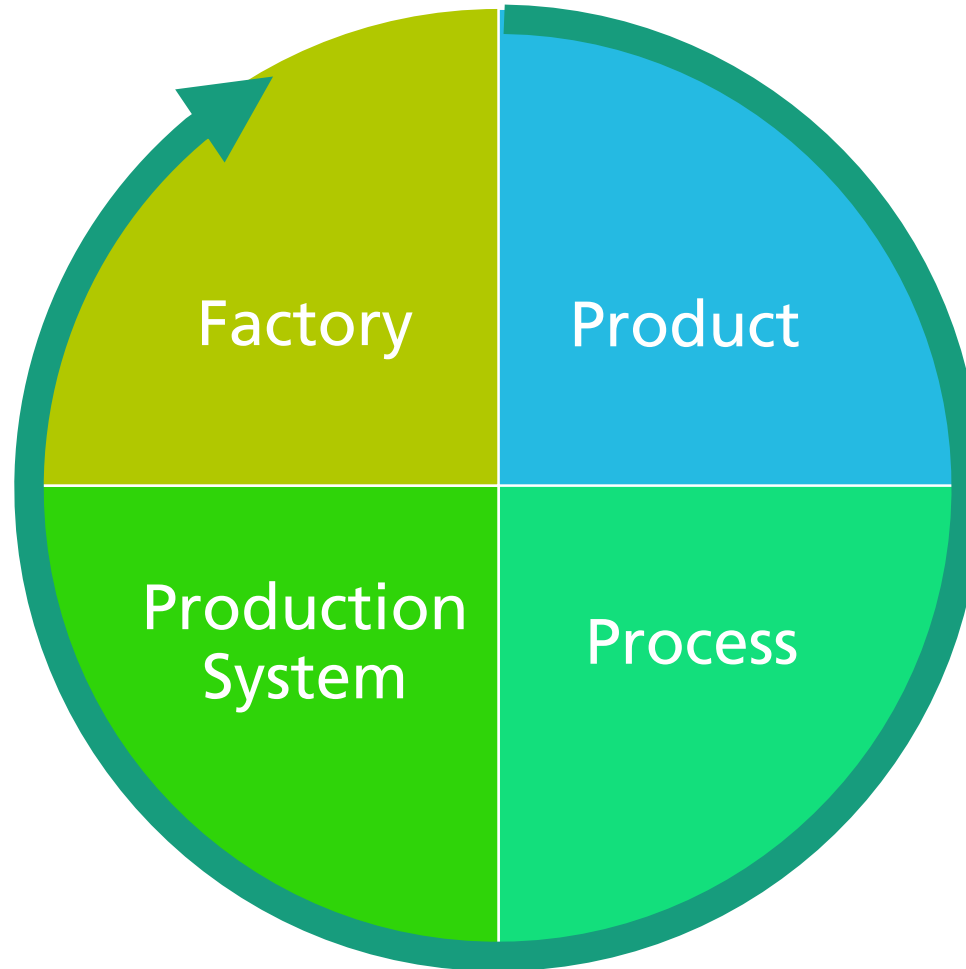
Physical products in real space

Connections of data and information between virtual and real products



# Digital Twin Technology

## Where? - Classification of Digital Twins

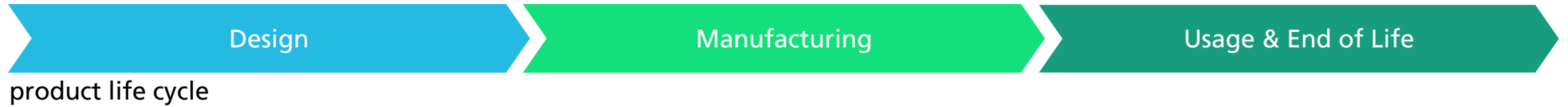


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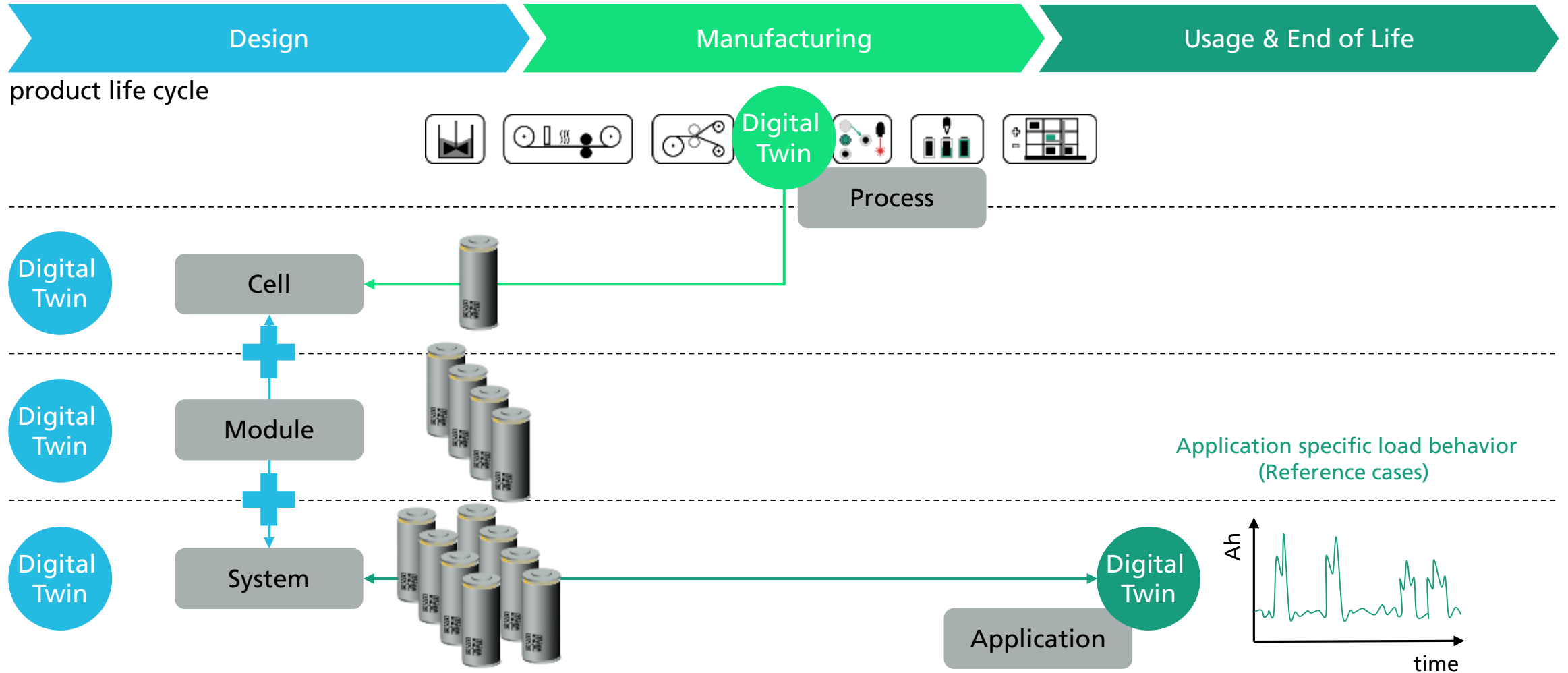
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## Multi-Hierarchy Digital Twin



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## Process Digital Twin



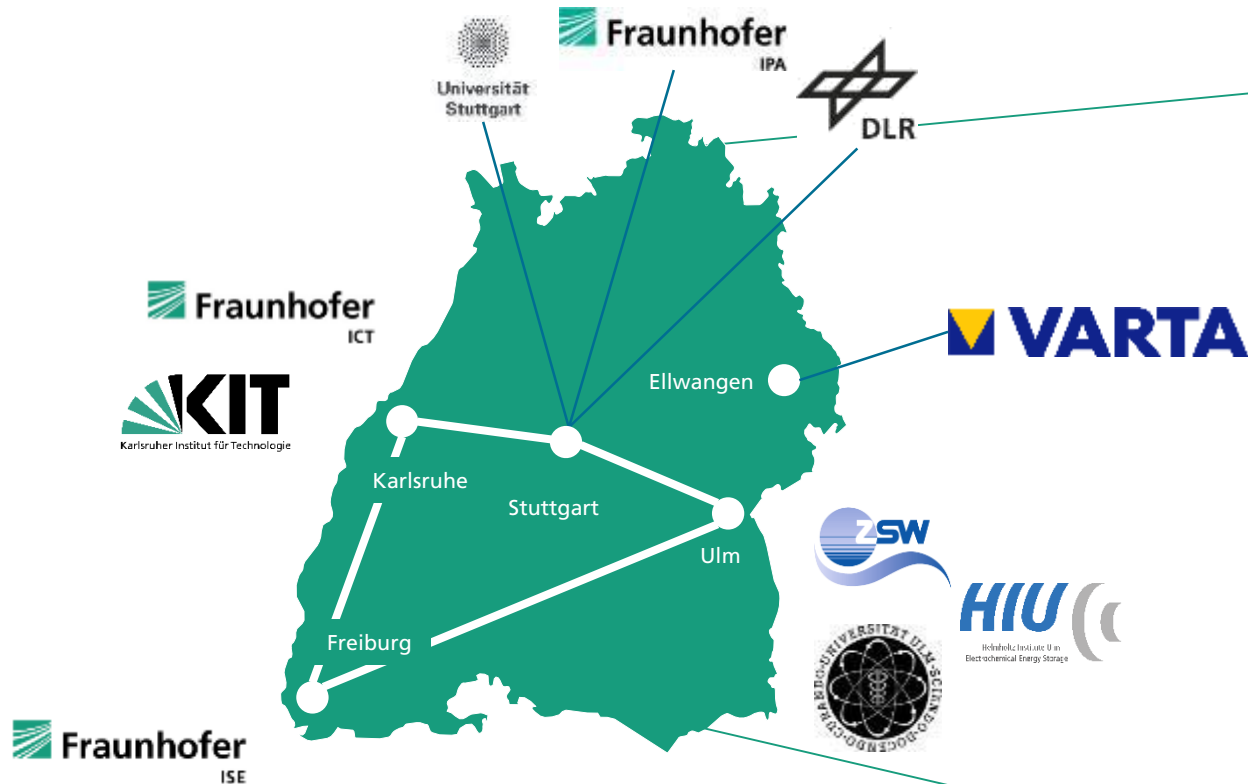
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# Center for Battery Cell Manufacturing

## Adding manufacturing competencies to the research networks



### Universities of Applied Science

**Hochschule Esslingen**  
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### Industry



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# Center for Battery Cell Manufacturing

## IoT-Architecture and Digital Services, Modelling and Simulation (Digital Twins)

### Small-Scale Production



- High flexibility
- Low throughput  
< 100 parts/day
- Low level of automation

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### Large-Scale Production

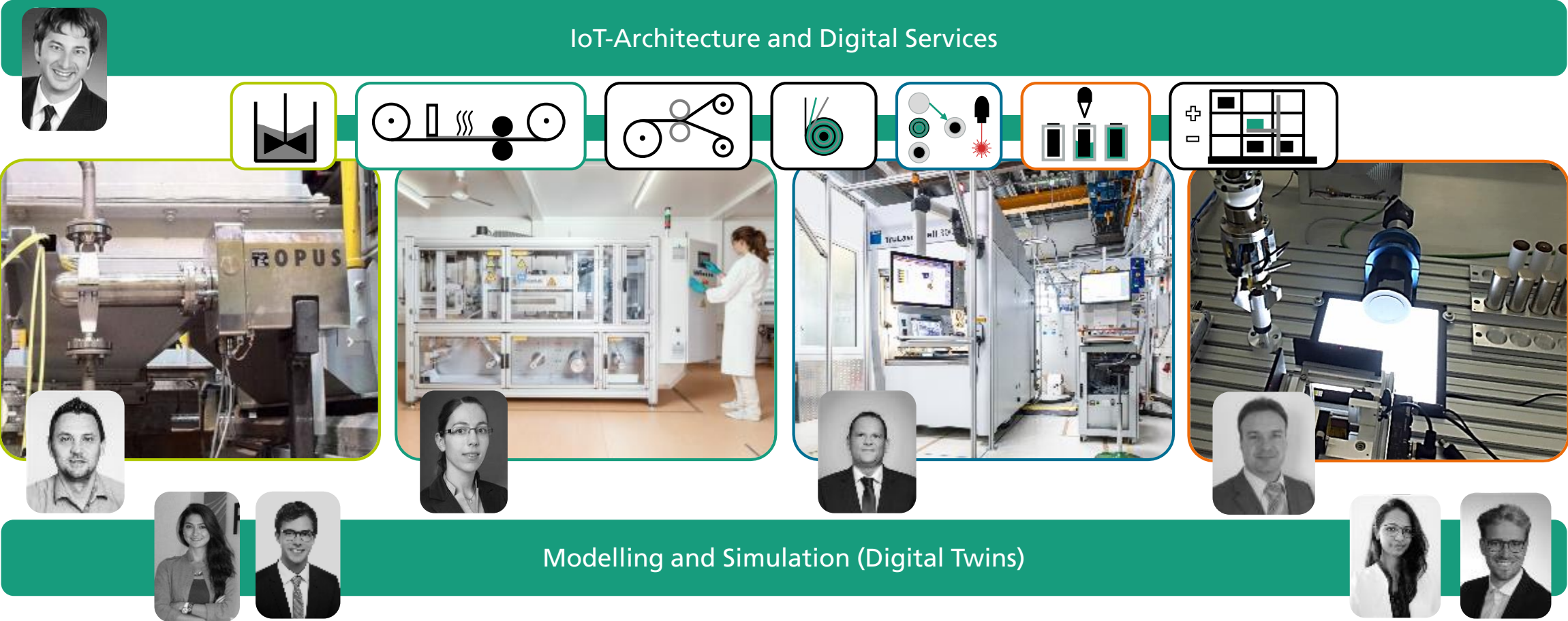


- Medium flexibility
- Low to medium throughput  
up to 300 parts/day
- Medium level of automation

- Low flexibility
- High throughput  
>> 1000 parts/day
- High level of automation

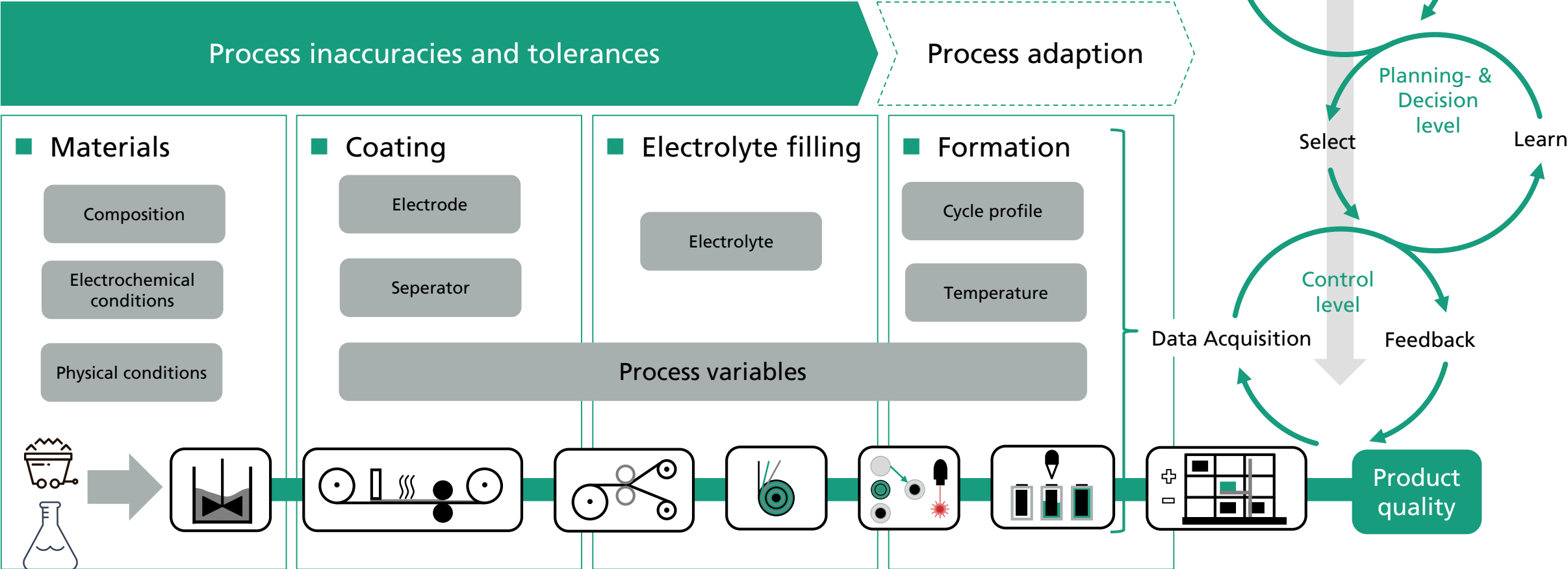
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## Researching the entire value chain



# Digital Twins in Battery Cell Production

## Factory Digital Twin



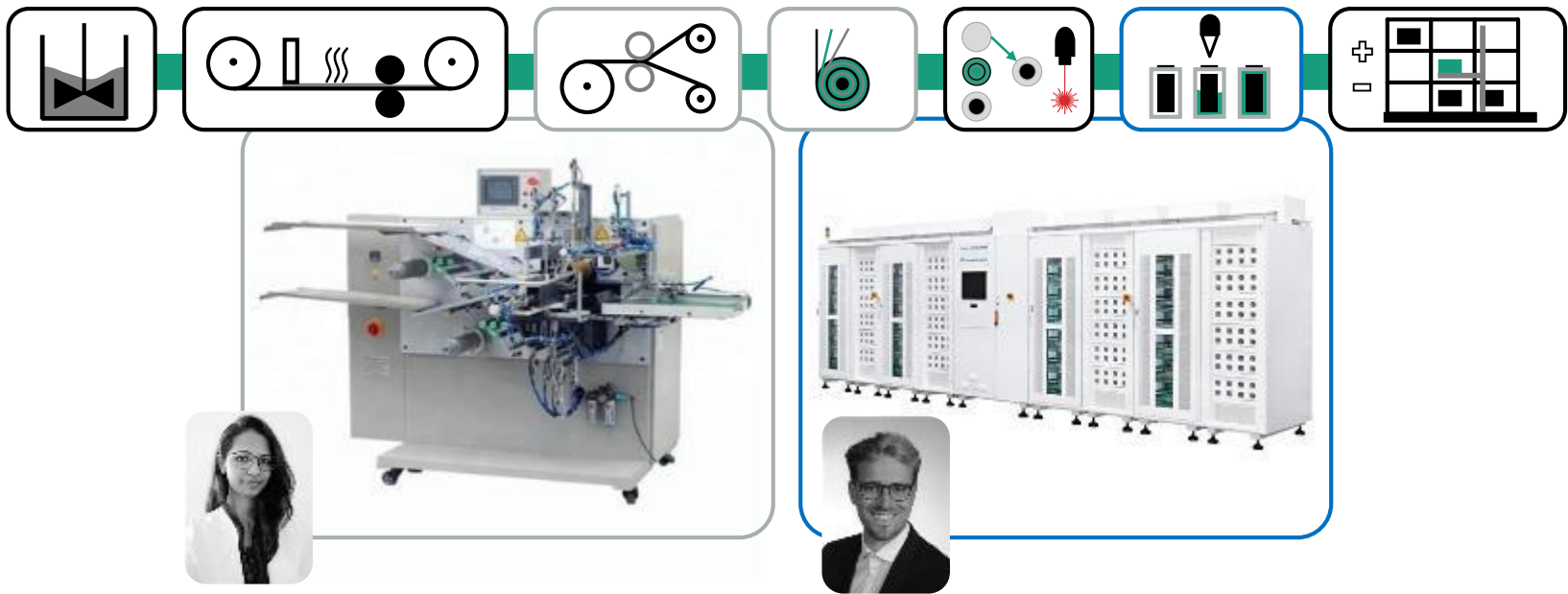
Source: Kindermann (2017) - Implications of Current Density Distribution in Lithium-Ion Battery Graphite Anodes on SEI

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## Electrolyte and Formation



### IoT-Architecture and Digital Services



### Modelling and Simulation (Digital Twins)



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# Industry 4.0 capable, intelligent workpiece carriers

## Principle

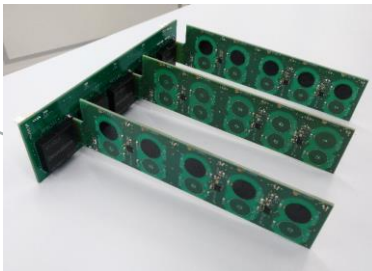
Beyond the functionality of conventional workpiece carriers, the workpiece carrier of ZDB enables the active communication with the manufacturing control (MES), the monitoring of environmental conditions for quality assurance and data analysis, the continuous tracking from goods inwards to outwards as well as the interaction with the operator during manual process steps.



# Industry 4.0 capable, intelligent workpiece carriers

## Core components of workpiece carrier

Inductive sensors for detection of single battery cells (PCB)

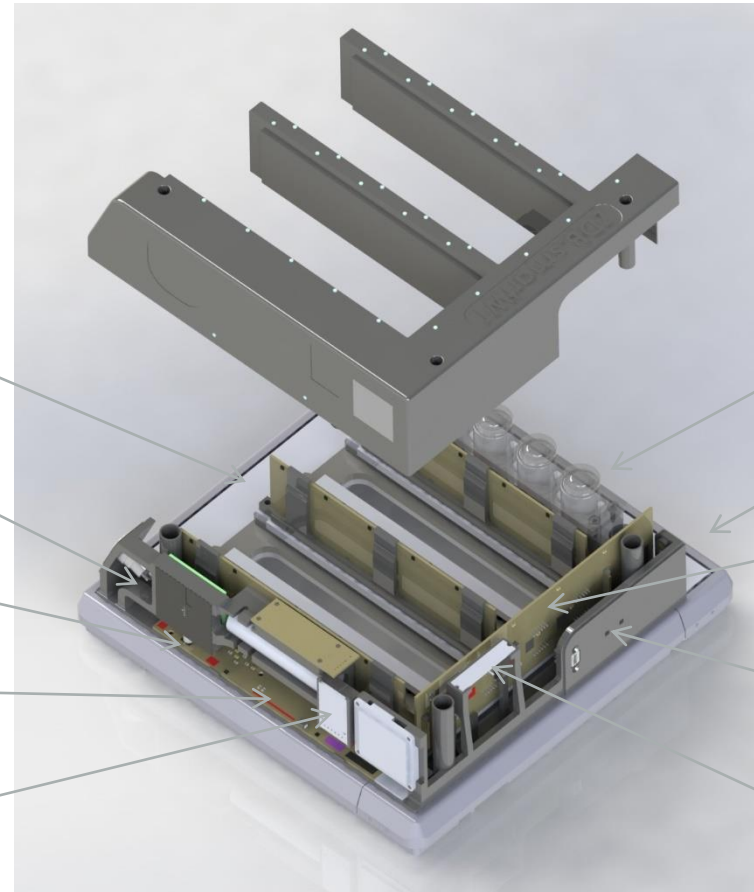


Inductive energy transfer and battery monitoring

Piezo for acoustic feedback

Microcontroller on main PCB

Bidirectional NFC tag (PCB)



LEDs for operator guidance

Connector for dew point sensor

RFID and hall effect sensors for workpiece tray identification (PCB)

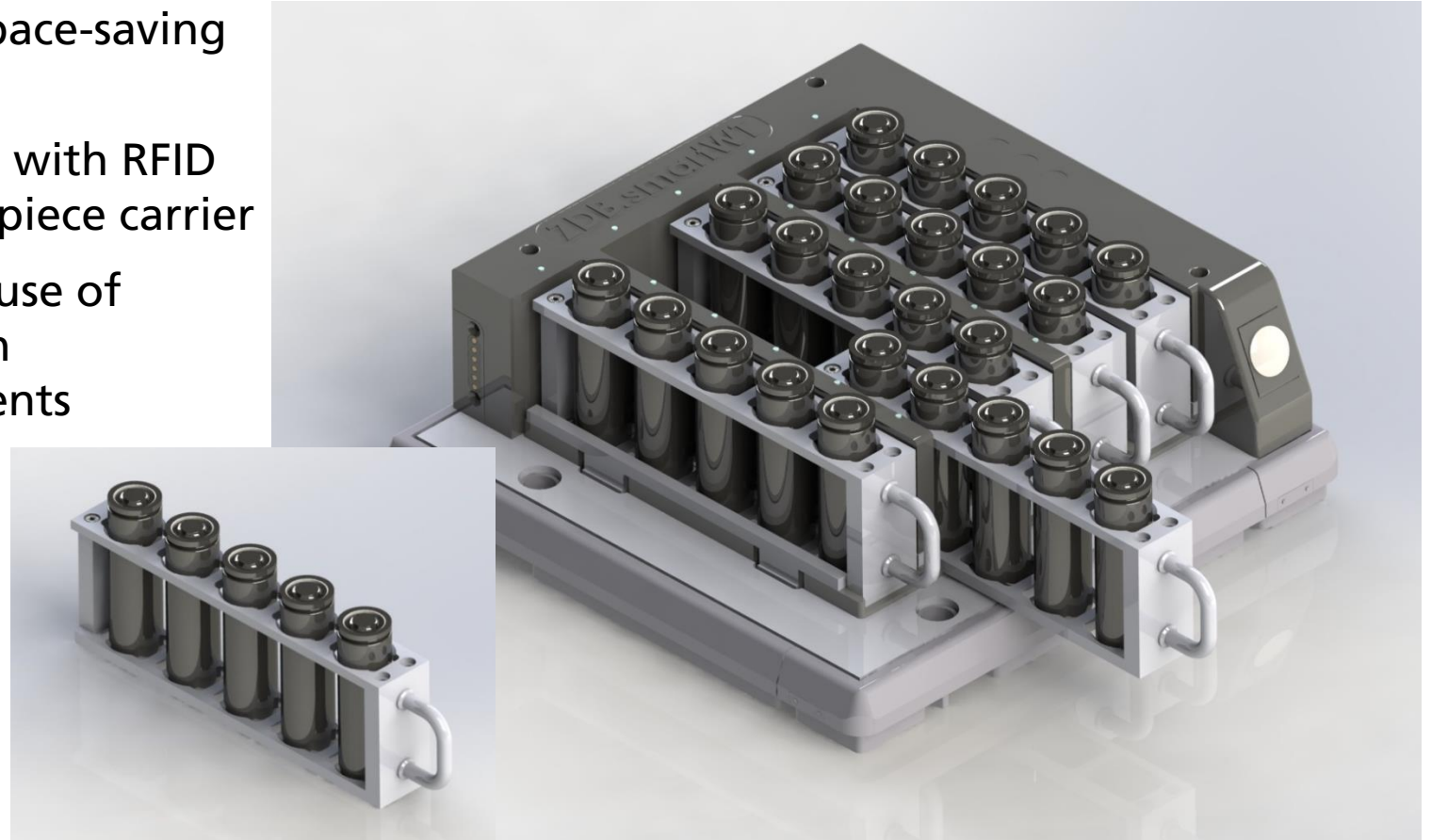
Sensors for temperature, humidity and VOC (PCB)

Wifi antenna

# Industry 4.0 capable, intelligent workpiece carriers

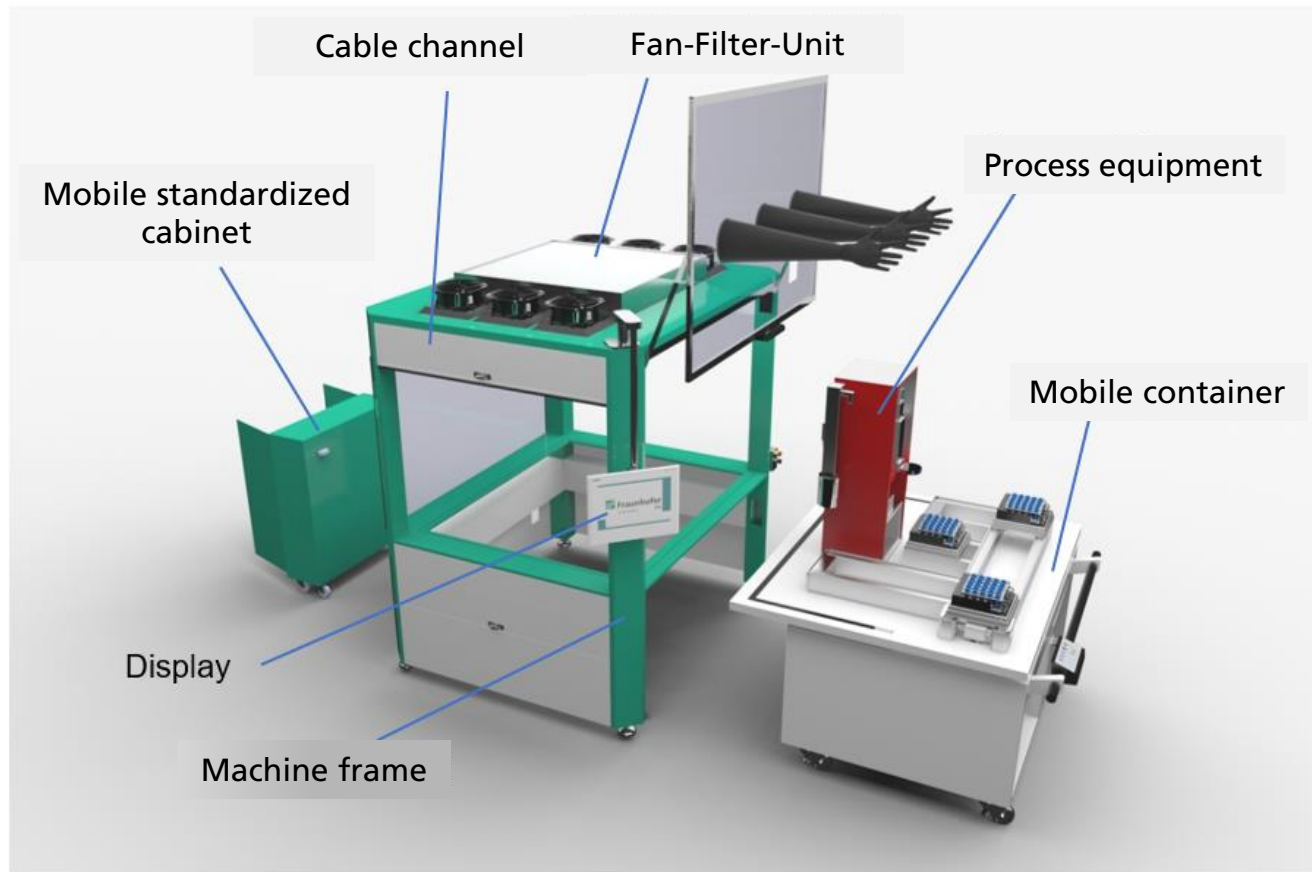
## Mechanical construction of workpiece carrier

- High packaging density through space-saving workpiece detection
- Trays are detectable and equipped with RFID tags for identification by the workpiece carrier
- Identification of trays enables the use of different workpiece carriers, e.g. in contamination sensitive environments
- Usage of workpiece carrier in whole process chain of ZDB



# Concept of a Flexible Machine Platform for the Assembly of Lithium-Ion Cells

## Layout



- **Mobile container** for the placement of process equipment
- **Machine Frame** for enclosing the process environment
- **Outer cable channel** for relocation, expanding and accessibility of supply cables and tubes
- **Mobile standardized cabinet** for supply of the mobile container and machine frame
- **Air filter system** and **air conditioning** (Fan-Filter-Unit) for producing the dry- and cleanroom conditions

# Concept of Machine Platform

## Example Electrolyte Filling

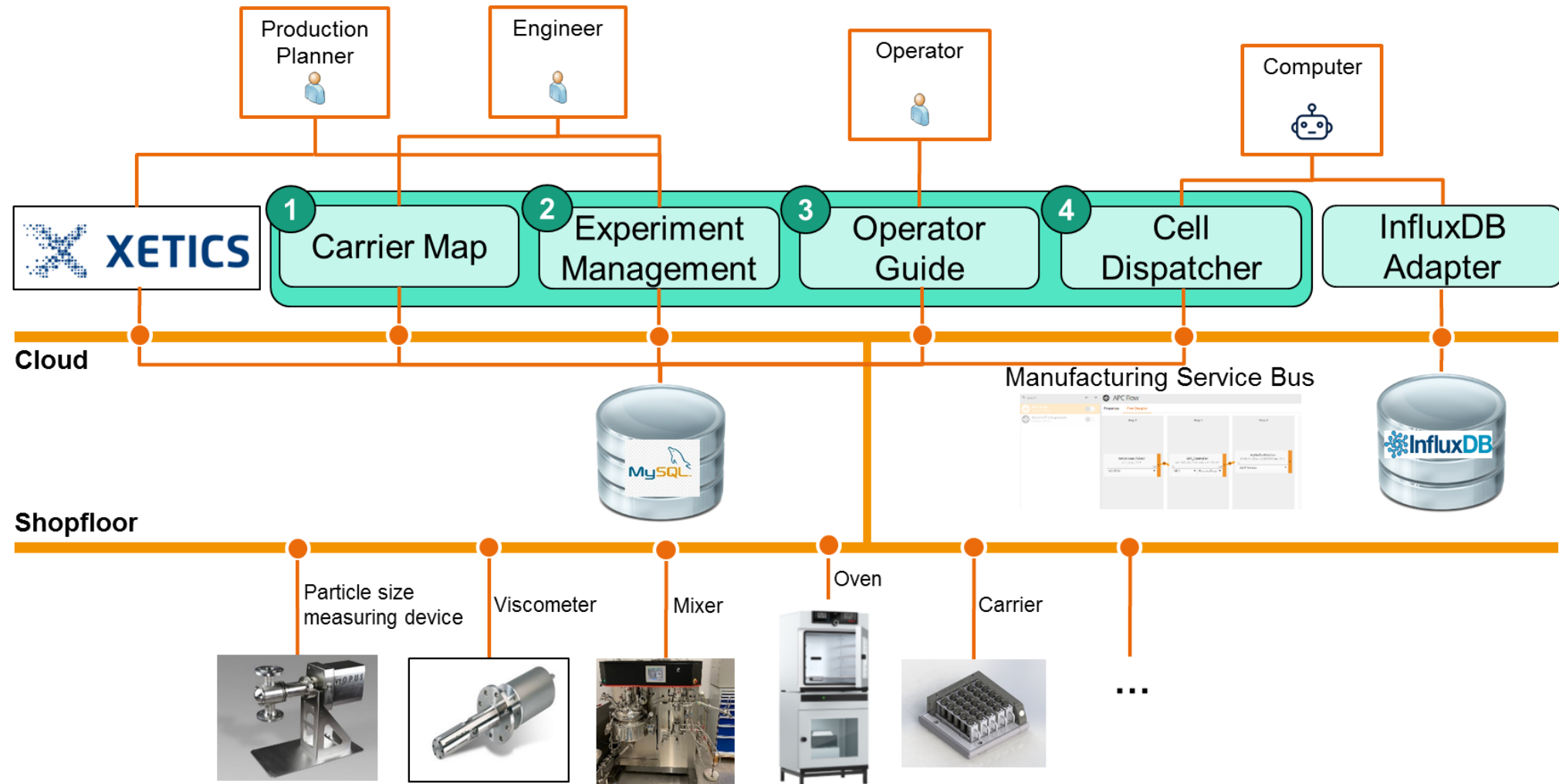
- **Electrolyte filling** has **highest requirements** of all processes
  - Process steps should be carried out under controlled environment
- **Assembly Sequence:**
  1. Cell bake out and apply to environment
  2. Filling cell with electrolyte
  3. Welding of cap
  4. Beading of cell
  5. Remove cell from environment





# Cognitive Cyber-Physical Production System

## Schematic Concept





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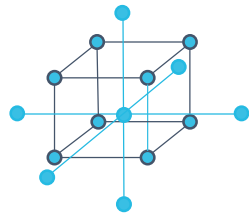
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# Digital Twin Technology – State estimation for battery cells

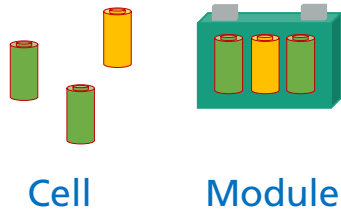
## Determination of battery states



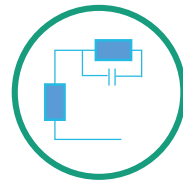
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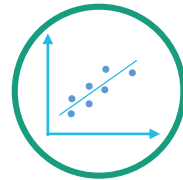
Design of Experiments



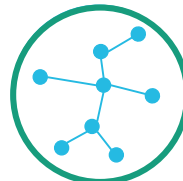
Modelling



Physical Model



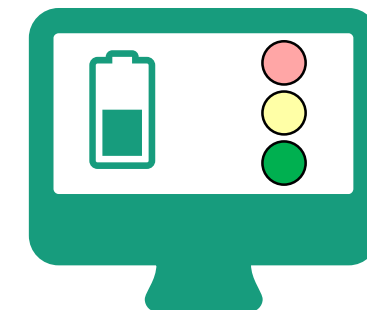
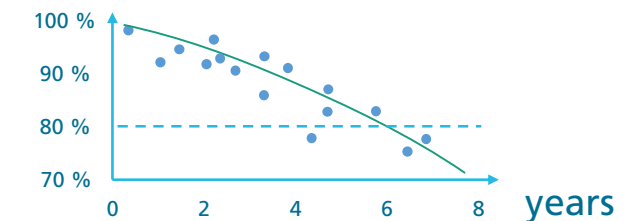
Regression Model



Machine Learning (ML)  
Model

Decision Support

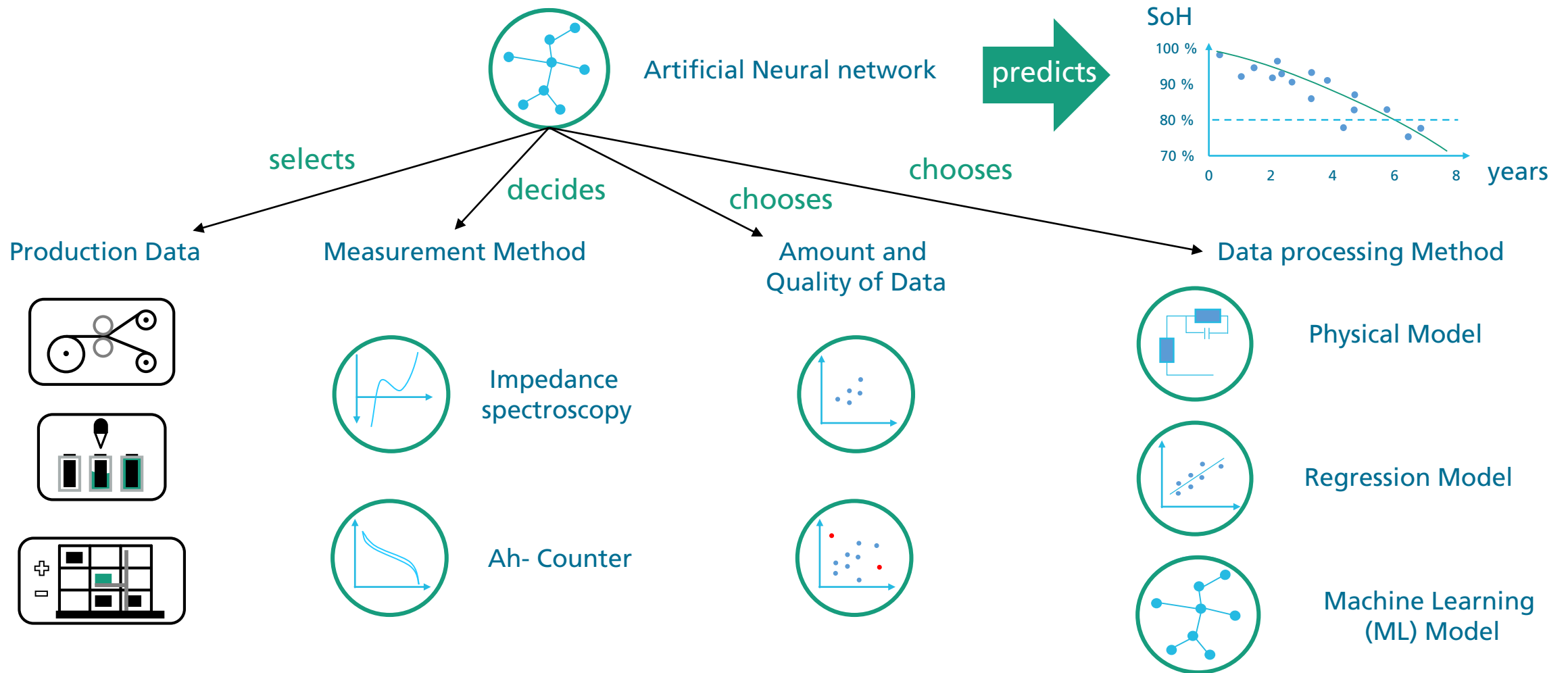
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\*Source: Myall, D.; Ivanov, D.; Larason, W.; Nixon, M.; Moller, H. (2018) Accelerated Reported Battery Capacity Loss in 30 kWh Variants of the Nissan Leaf.

# Digital Twin Technology – State estimation for battery cells

## Determination of battery conditions



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# Conclusions

- 1 Digital Twin Technology accesses multiple aspects of battery cells and batteries**
- 2 The most important are: Cell production, prediction of cell states (includes aging), cell design**
- 3 Cell production: Data acquisition is the pathway to better cell performance and less deviations**
- 4 Future vision: The factory digital twin of a battery cell allows also its aging prediction**
- 5 Prediction of cell states: Less experimental data are required and higher prediction precision is feasible**
- 6 Cell design can more and more rely on data acquisition in cell production, not on trial and error**

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