

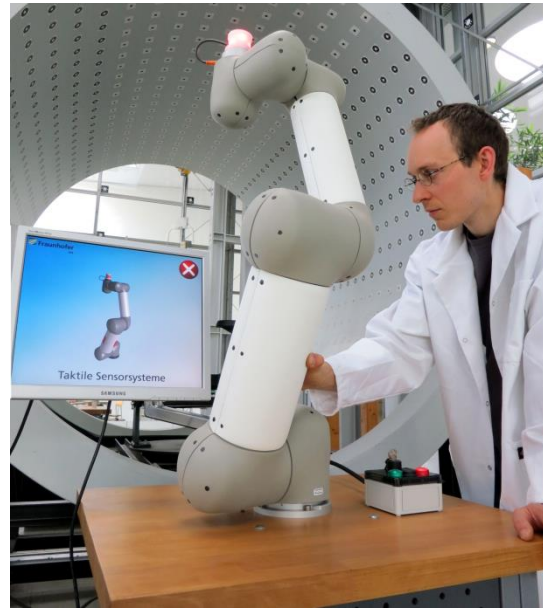
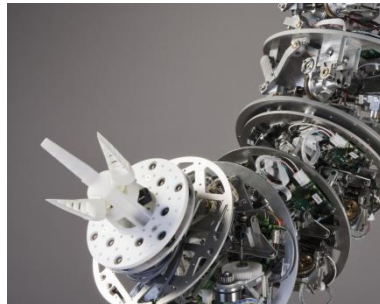
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# Collaborative Robotics in Industry 4.0

## *What's hot right now and where is it heading?*

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# Collaborative Robotics in Industry 4.0

## Overview

- What is Human-Robot Collaboration?
  - Common misconceptions
- Overview state of the art for collaborative robots
- Vision for Robotics in Industry 4.0
- Example of mobile assistance system using Industry 4.0 techniques
- Outlook – what's next?



# Human-Robot Collaboration

## What is HRC?



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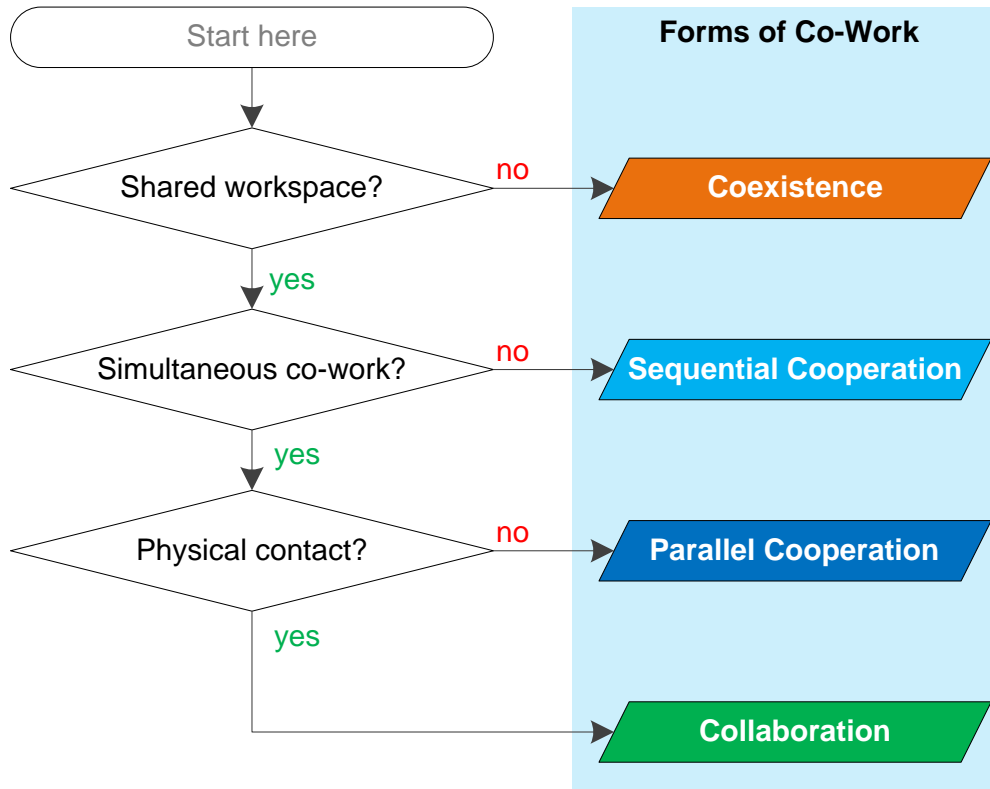
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### ■ Collaborative Operation:

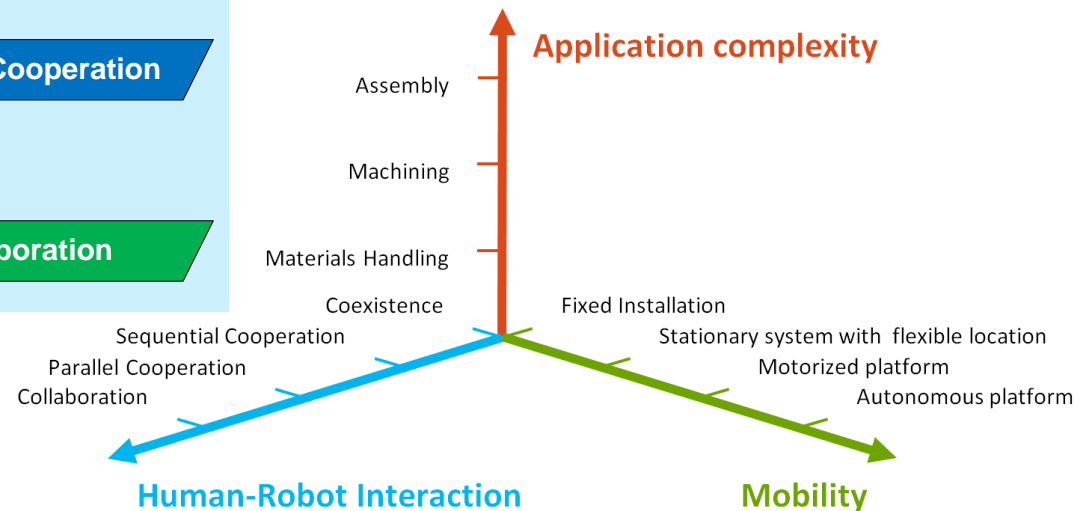
- State in which purposely designed robots work in direct cooperation with a human within a defined workspace

# Human-Robot Collaboration

## Classification



Behrens, R.; Saenz, J.; Vogel, C.; Elkmann, N.:  
 "Upcoming Technologies and Fundamentals for  
 Safeguarding All Forms of Human-Robot  
 Collaboration", 8th International Conference Safety  
 of Industrial Automated Systems (SIAS 2015),  
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# Human-Robot Collaboration

## Why?

- Because everyone's doing it
- The bottom line
  - Higher productivity
  - Higher quality
- Ergonomics
  - Ageing workforce
- Maintaining production in high-wage countries close to design and engineering centers

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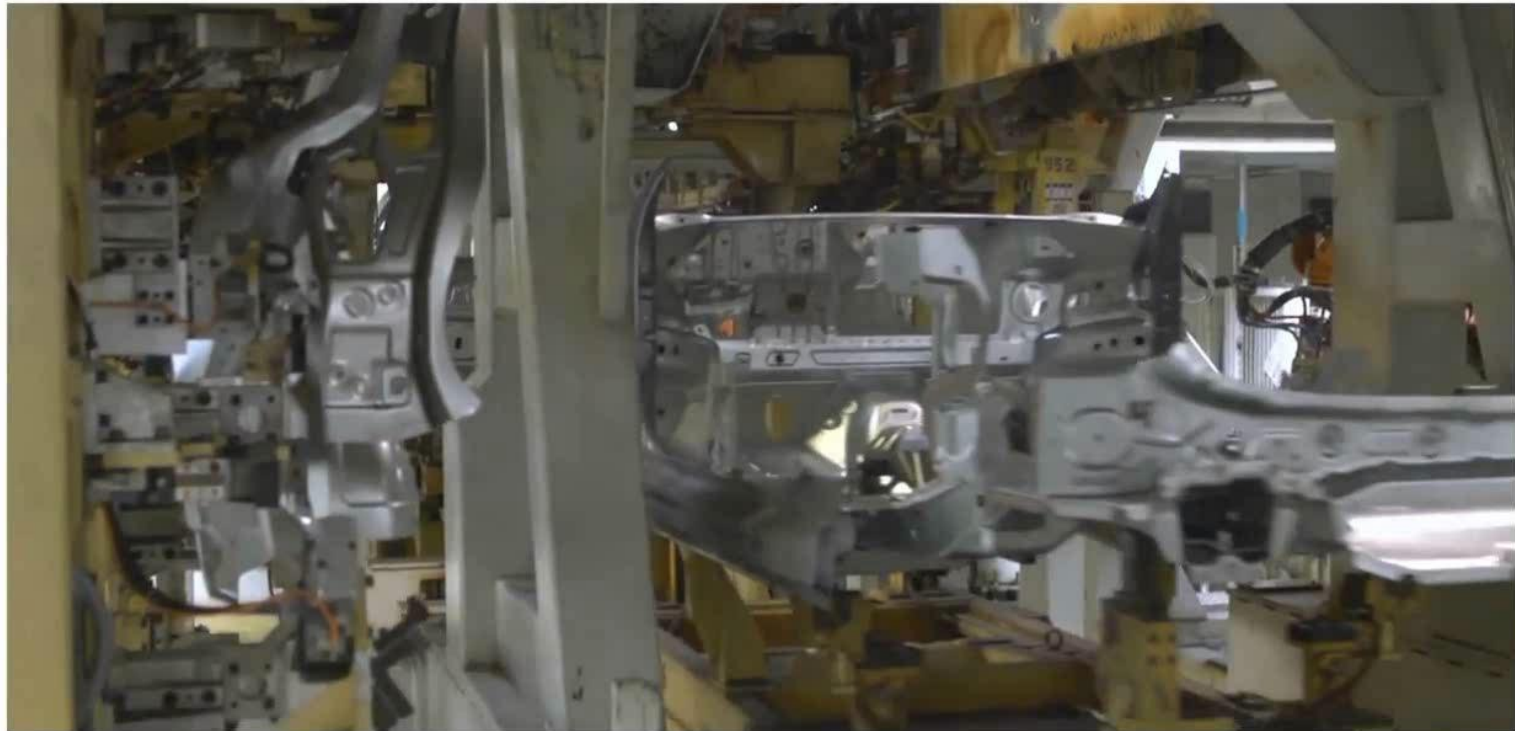
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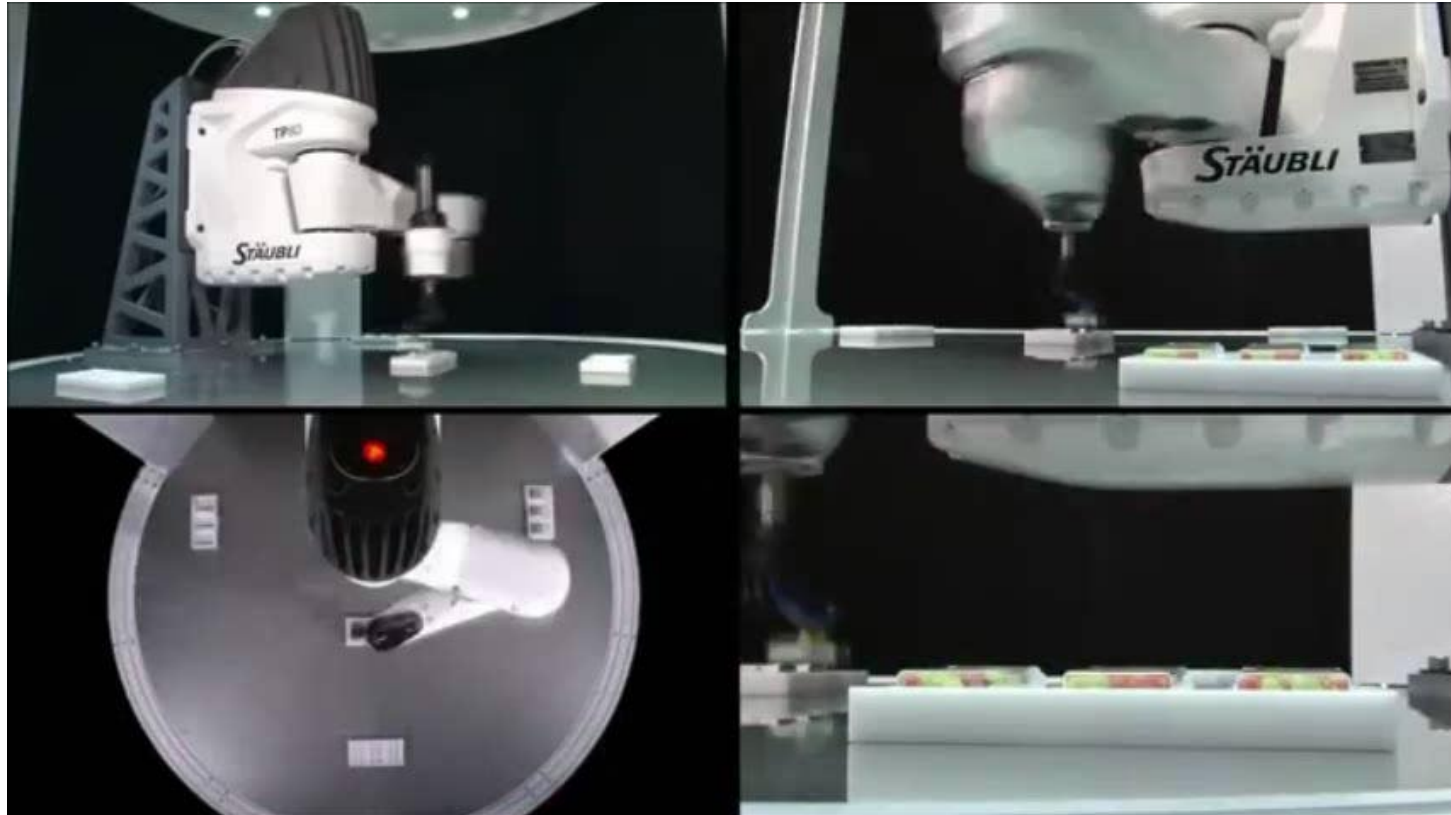
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### Universal Robot

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7vdGcxghbeQ>



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J71JNUUd7O8>

### Gomtec Roberta



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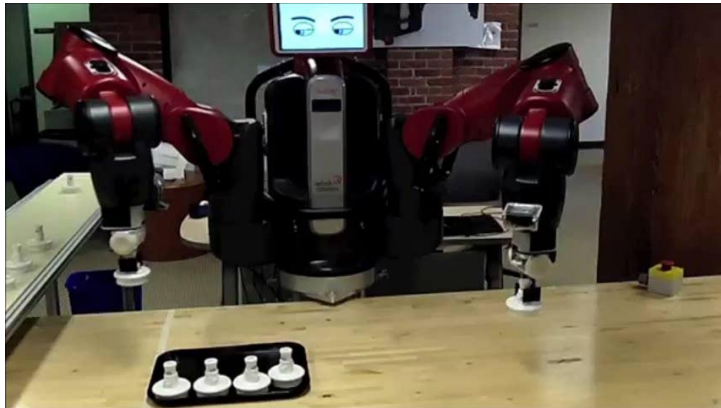
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### Baxter



### Nextstage Kawada



# Human-Robot Collaboration

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**Exemplary application from Adam Opel AG for mounting door in final assembly area with HRC**



# State of the art of Collaborative Robotics

## Where are we right now?

### Key enabling technologies

- Robots with safe control systems
  - New programming paradigms (offline, teach-in, skills-based)
- New safety sensors
  - Able to communicate with robot
  - Allow system to react to environment, people
- Standards and regulations
  - Testing and validation methods



# State of the art of Collaborative Robotics

## Where are we right now?

- Machinery Directive
- ISO 12100, Parts 1 / 2  
Safety of Machinery  
Terms and definitions, general principles for design
- ISO 14121 (EN 1050)  
Safety of Machinery  
Principles for risk assessment
- EN ISO 10218 Part 1 / Part 2  
Safety Requirements for Industrial Robots: “Robots”  
(Part 1 ) and “Robot Systems and Integration” (Part 2)
- ISO/TS 15066  
Robots and robotic devices - Collaborative robots  
Safety requirements (supplements EN ISO 10218 Part 2)
- ISO 13849, Parts 1 / 2  
Safety of Machinery  
Safety-related parts of control systems
- ISO 13855  
Safety of Machinery  
Positioning of safeguards with respect to the approach speeds  
of parts of the human body
- IEC/TR 61496-4  
Safety of Machinery - Electro-sensitive protective  
equipment - Part 4: Particular requirements for equipment  
using vision-based protective devices
- DIN EN 61508  
Functional Safety of safety-relevant electric, electronic  
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# State of the art of Collaborative Robotics

## Where are we right now?

### Safety concepts according to DIN EN ISO 10218 and ISO/TS15066

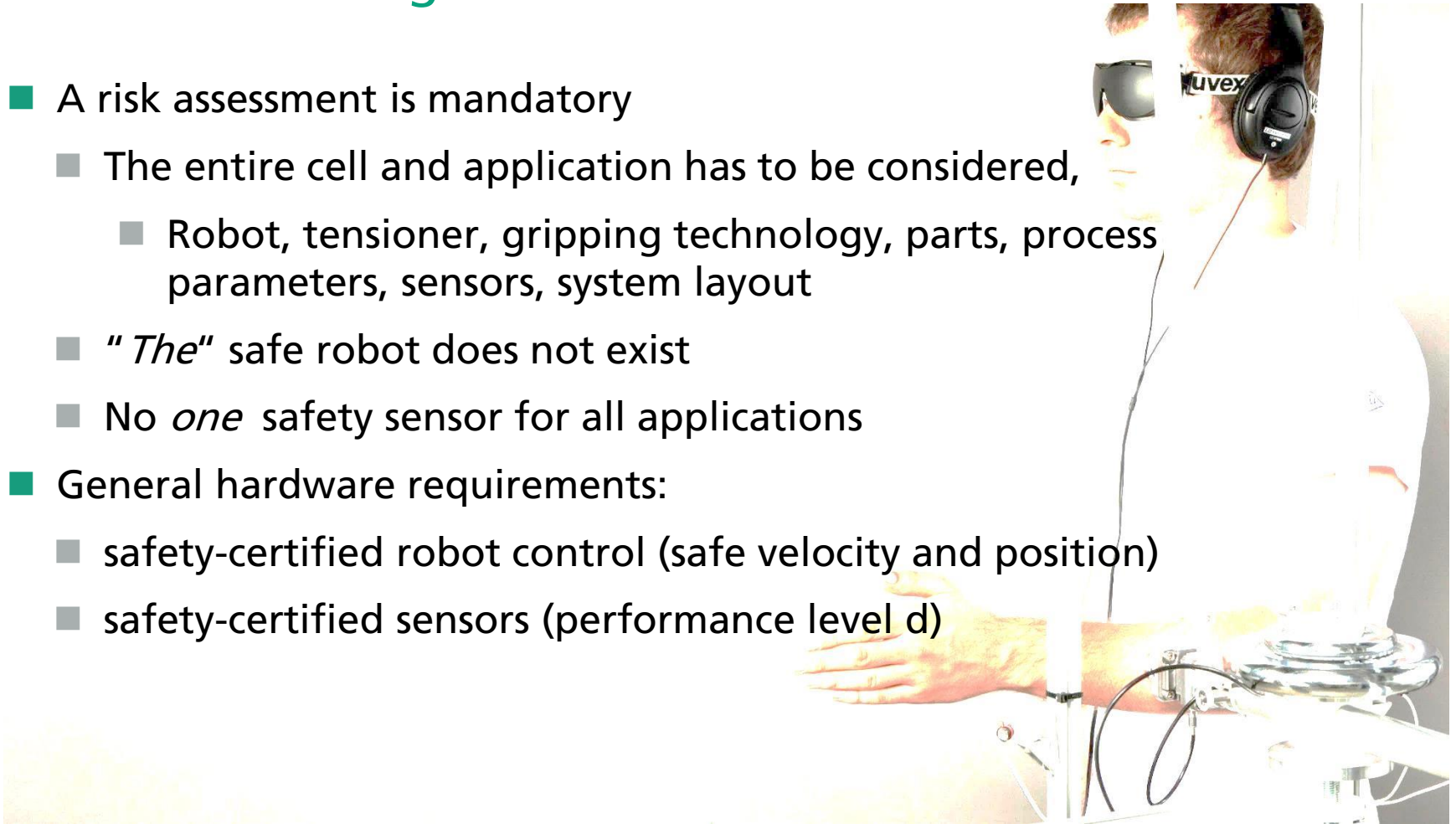
- **DIN EN ISO 10218 and ISO/TS15066:**  
4 concepts for designing HRC workplaces
  - Safety-rated monitored stop
  - Hand guiding
  - Speed and separation monitoring
  - Power and force limitation



# State of the art of Collaborative Robotics

## Where are we right now?

- A risk assessment is mandatory
  - The entire cell and application has to be considered,
    - Robot, tensioner, gripping technology, parts, process parameters, sensors, system layout
  - "*The*" safe robot does not exist
  - No *one* safety sensor for all applications
- General hardware requirements:
  - safety-certified robot control (safe velocity and position)
  - safety-certified sensors (performance level d)





# State of the art of Collaborative Robotics

## Industrial examples



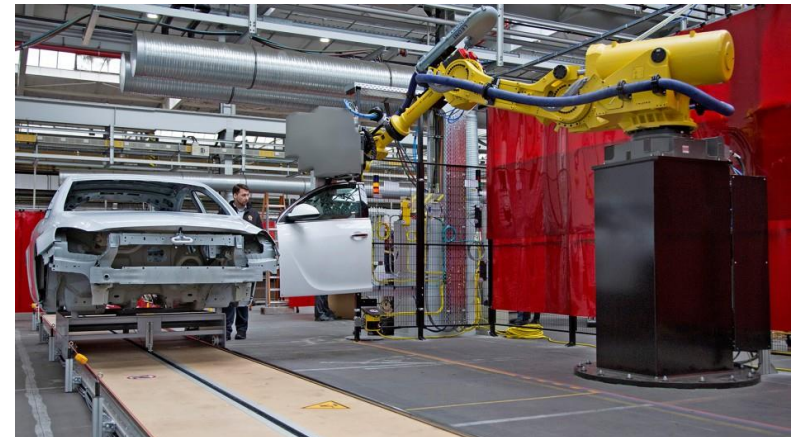
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# State of the art of Collaborative Robotics

## New technologies

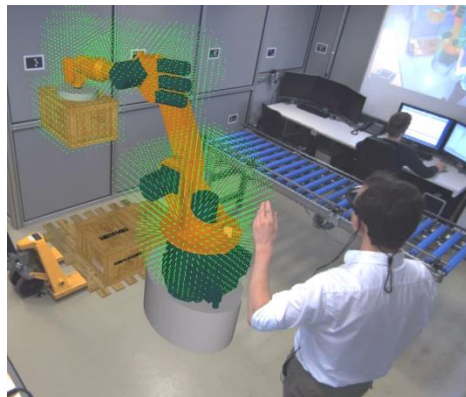
### Tactile and capacitive sensor systems

- Tactile sensors on robots or machines
- Proximity detection (capacitive sensors)
- Pressure-sensitive floor mats with spatial resolution



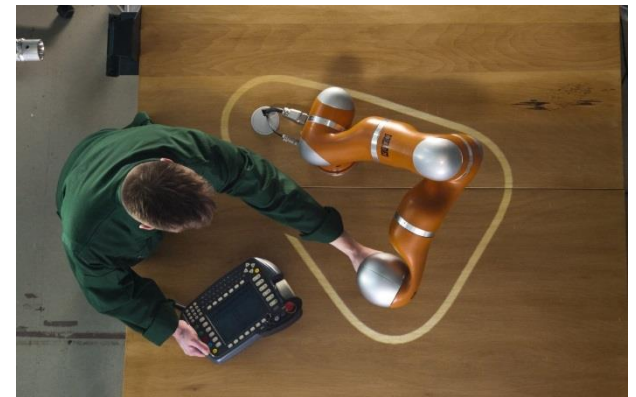
### Planning, Set-up and Testing

- Collision measurement
- Augmented-Reality environment
- Planning of HRI cells



### Sensor-based Workplace Monitoring

- Projection and camera based systems
- Online planning of safeguarded zones
- Dynamic safe area planning
- Safeguarding tools





# New enabling technologies

## Tactile sensor systems

- Geometrically adapted tactile sensors with shock-absorbing characteristics for safe collision detection  
→ Collision detection and tactile interaction

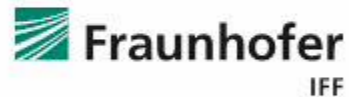


# New enabling technologies

## Pressure-sensitive Flooring combined with Projectors

Safe Human-Robot Cooperation with high  
payload robots in industrial applications

**- SAPARO -**



<http://www.iff.fraunhofer.de/en/business-units/robotic-systems/saparo.html>

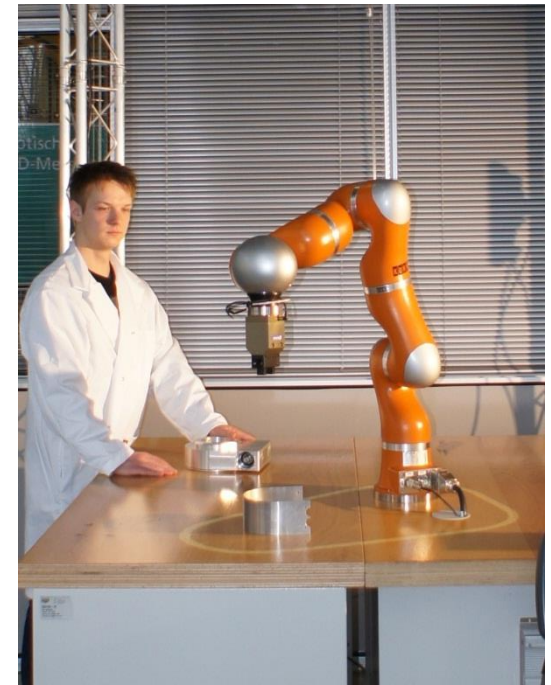
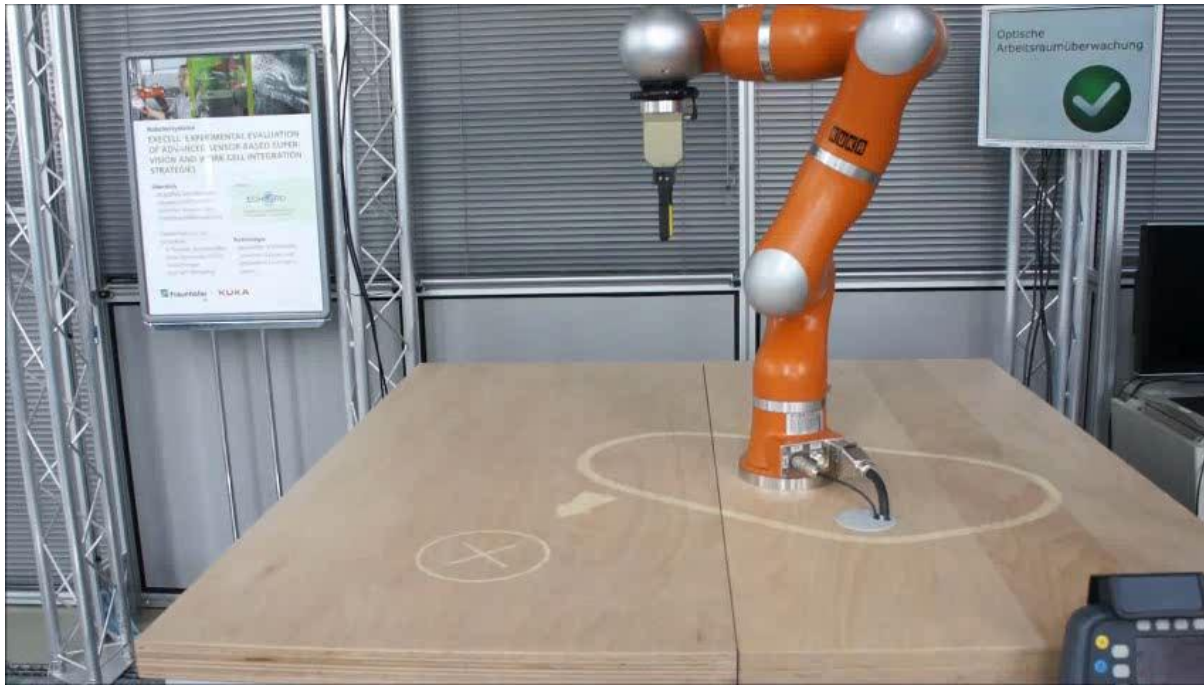


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# New enabling technologies

## Sensor-based workspace monitoring

- Projection- and camera-based safety system for workspace monitoring with dynamic safety zones
- Combination of hard and soft safety



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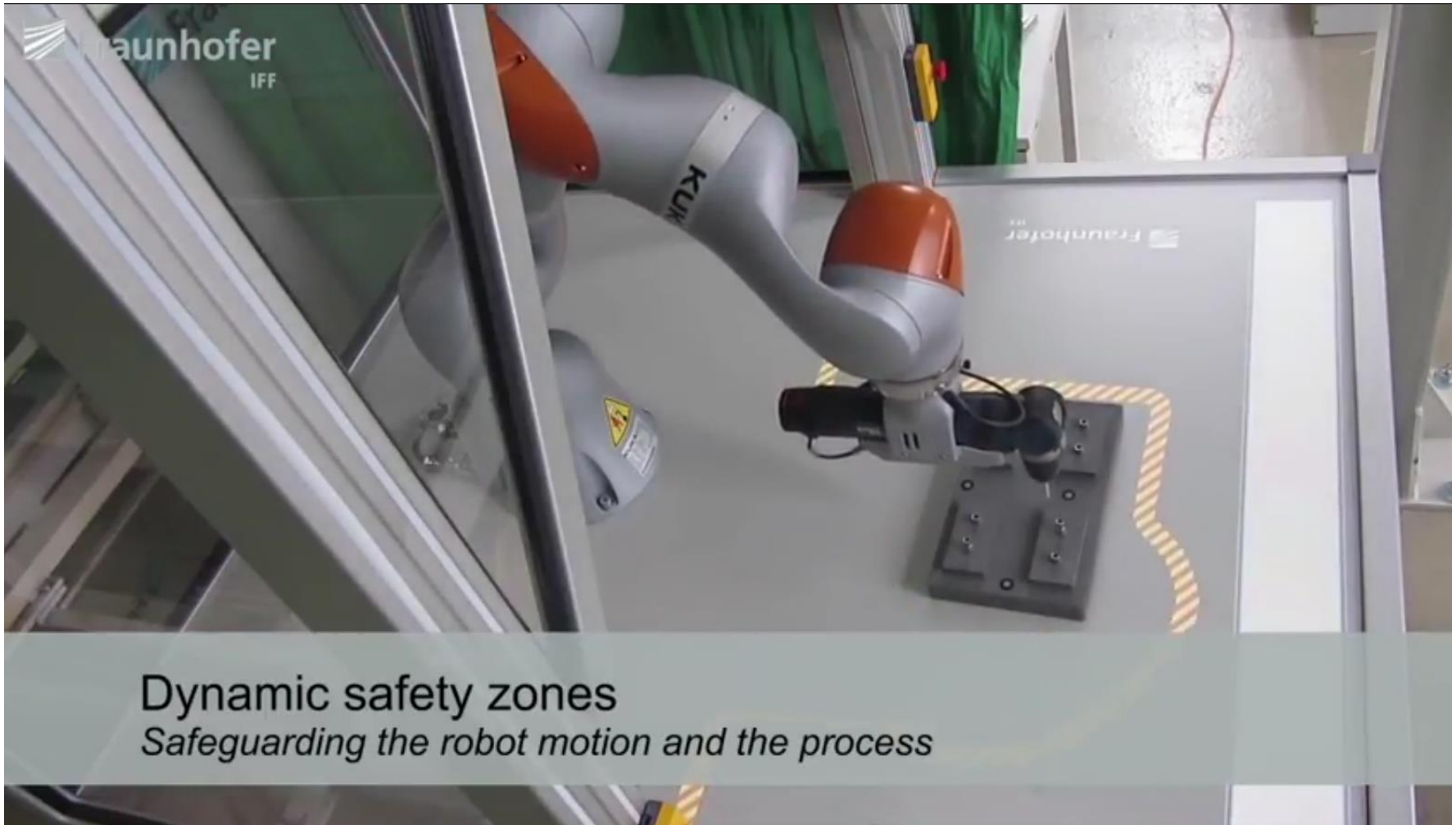
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# New enabling technologies

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# State of the art of collaborative robotics

## Where are we right now?

### Summary state of the art

- Big players testing the waters
  - Long development times
  - Grass blade approach
- No widespread adoption in sight
  - Toolboxes not in place
  - Technology only starting to catch up
  - Certification a big issue!!



# Vision for Robotics in Industry 4.0

## The robotics perspective

### Robotics for Manufacturing

- Flexibility
  - Small lot sizes
  - Opening up new industries
- New programming paradigms
- Systems Engineering tools for improved design, validation of system





# Vision for Robotics in Industry 4.0

## Trends coming together

- Reference Architecture Model (RAMI 4.0)
  - Combining views over life cycle, hierarchy levels
  - Systems engineering efforts in robotics need to consider this view
- 5G Networks
  - Decentralized robot control systems (with communication latency < 1ms)

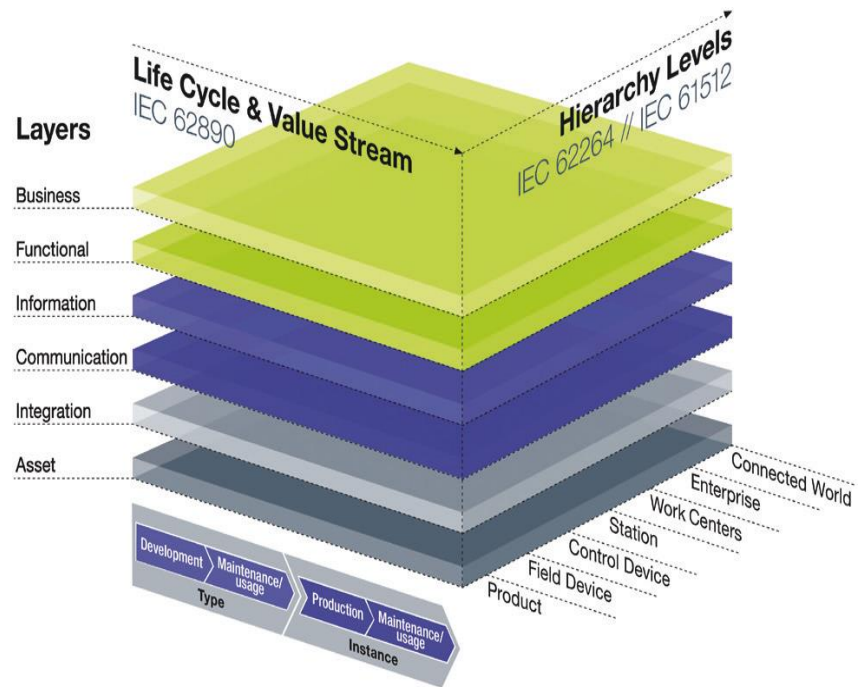
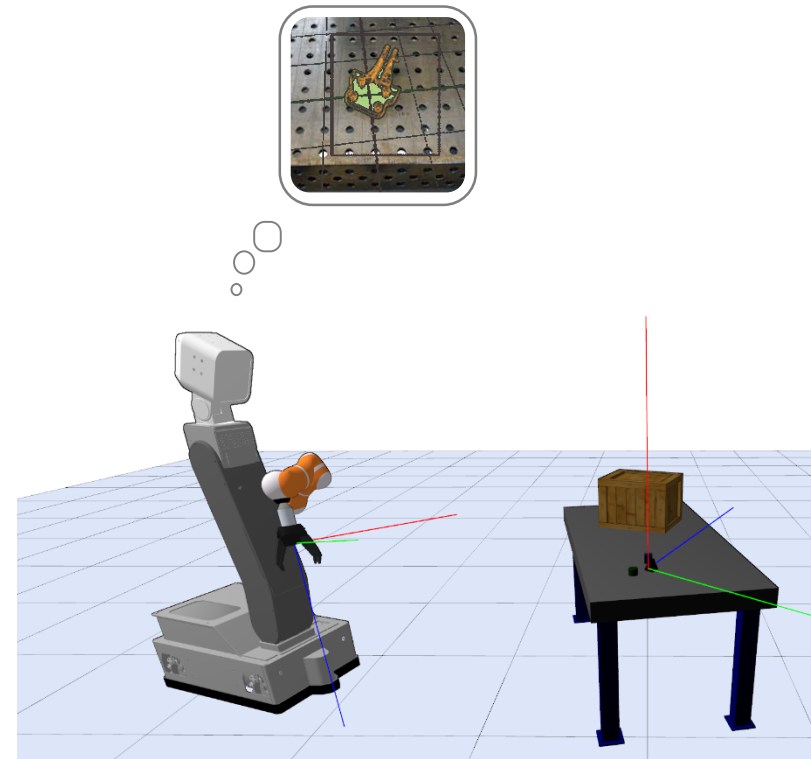


Image: Reference Architecture Model Industry 4.0 (RAMI 4.0)

# Vision for Robotics in Industry 4.0

## Convergence of Industry 4.0 and Robotics

- Using the digital twin
  - Supporting faster programming through use of semantic data
  - Validating system prior to use with simulation and other tools
- Using novel safety sensors to allow for collaboration and shared workspaces
- Using sensors with higher resolution to better understand environment, react to inaccuracies in real world



# Example of to mobile assistance system using Industry 4.0 techniques



# Vision for Robotics in Industry 4.0

## Conclusion

- Collaborative robotics an integral part of Industry 4.0
- Digital Thread the key to new applications, higher flexibility (delivering on promises)
- Better methods for ensuring safety, certification needed to get past "Grass Blade" approach



# Vision for Robotics in Industry 4.0

## Triple Helix outlook – final recommendations

### Government

Support larger scale activities

Support roadmapping activities  
(e.g. PPP Robotics)

Ensure humans in  
focus of funded  
research!

### Academia

Focus on big picture, look  
beyond single system

Research implications of human-  
centered production shift

Develop tools for  
design, pro-  
gramming




### Industry

Support industry standards (e.g. RAMI 4.0)

Go beyond „Grass blade“ approach





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