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# safety

material

jidoka

sigma

manufacturing

# quality

autonomation  
process

industry

bill

# productivity

*kaizen*

lean

continuous  
improvement

# training



# Human + Machine = Operational Excellence

MANUFACTURING  
LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

2021 Awards for Ford,  
DENSO + Hella

THE  
**TOYOTA  
WAY**  
2nd Edition

"A revolution  
in TPS"

**Forbes**

2020 Forbes  
AI 50



2020 Top  
AI Startup

WORLD  
ECONOMIC  
FORUM

2019 Tech  
Pioneer





# 0.0M

industrial robots



# 000M

humans

***"Technology by itself can't transform companies."***

— Erik Brynjolfsson and Matt Beane

Source: "Working with Robots in a Post-Pandemic World," *MIT Sloan Management Review*, 2020

# The Toyota Production System is a SYSTEM

*Proven to lead to high-performance manufacturing across industries*



# Scientific thinking & The Toyota Way: a socio-technical system

The goal of the Toyota Production System is to jointly “optimize” the social and technical system — with the technical systems supporting human decision making.

## Commit to this:

Philosophy  
(long-term systems thinking)

## Achieve goals:

Problem solving  
(work scientifically toward a challenge)



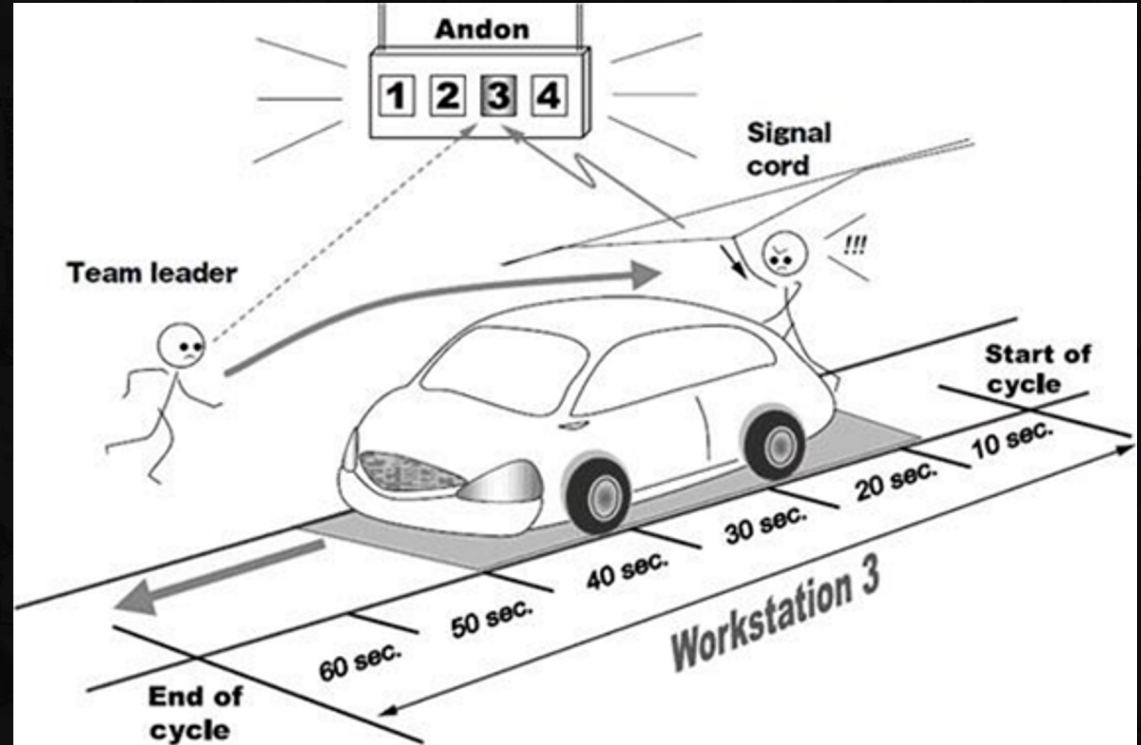
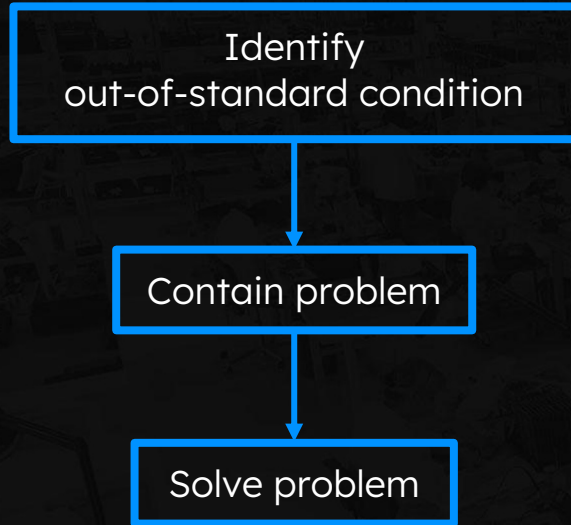
## Strive for this:

Process (struggle to  
flow value)

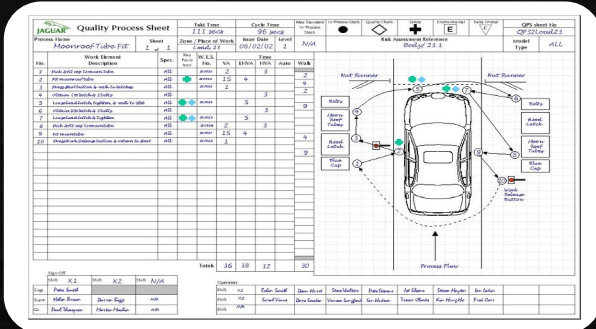
## Invest here:

People  
(respect, challenge & grow)

# The *andon* system: Empowering team members



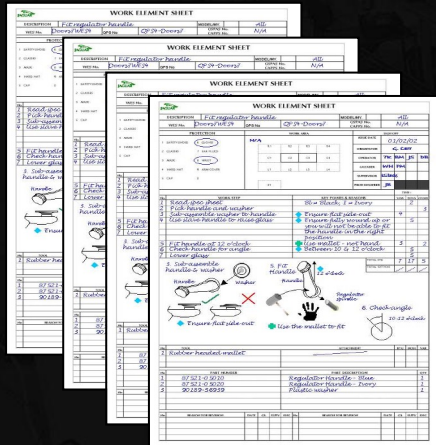
# Standardized work = Foundation for continuous improvement



The image shows a 'JAGUAR Quality Process Sheet' for the 'Motorroof Tube Fix' process. It includes a table with columns for 'Step', 'Task', 'Spec', 'Unit', 'VA', 'EVA', 'Time', 'Name', and 'Work'. The table lists 10 steps, from '1. Check motorroof tube' to '10. Check motorroof tube is secure to plate'. A central diagram shows a car's motorroof with numbered callouts (1-10) indicating the locations of the tubes. To the right of the diagram is a 'Process Flow' section with a table for 'Process Flow' and 'Process Flow'.

## Standardized work chart

Detail of each process step

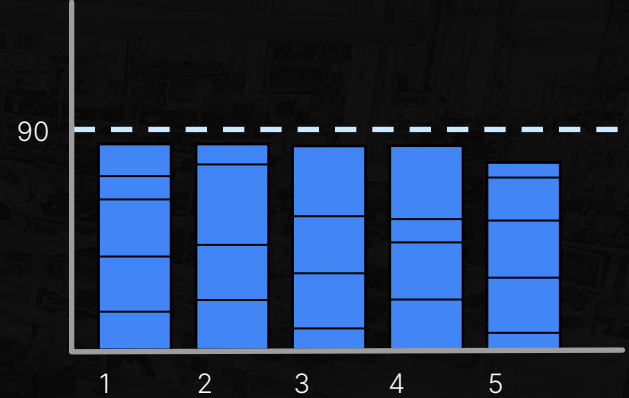


The image shows a stack of 'WORK ELEMENT SHEET' documents. The top sheet is for '1. Fit regularity handle' and includes a table with columns for 'Step', 'Task', 'Spec', 'Unit', 'VA', 'EVA', 'Time', 'Name', and 'Work'. It also includes a diagram of a car's interior with numbered callouts (1-10) indicating the locations of the handles. The bottom sheet is for '2. Fit regularity handle' and includes a table with columns for 'Step', 'Task', 'Spec', 'Unit', 'VA', 'EVA', 'Time', 'Name', and 'Work'. It also includes a diagram of a car's interior with numbered callouts (1-10) indicating the locations of the handles.

## Work element sheet

Detail of the elements of each process step

Takt (s)

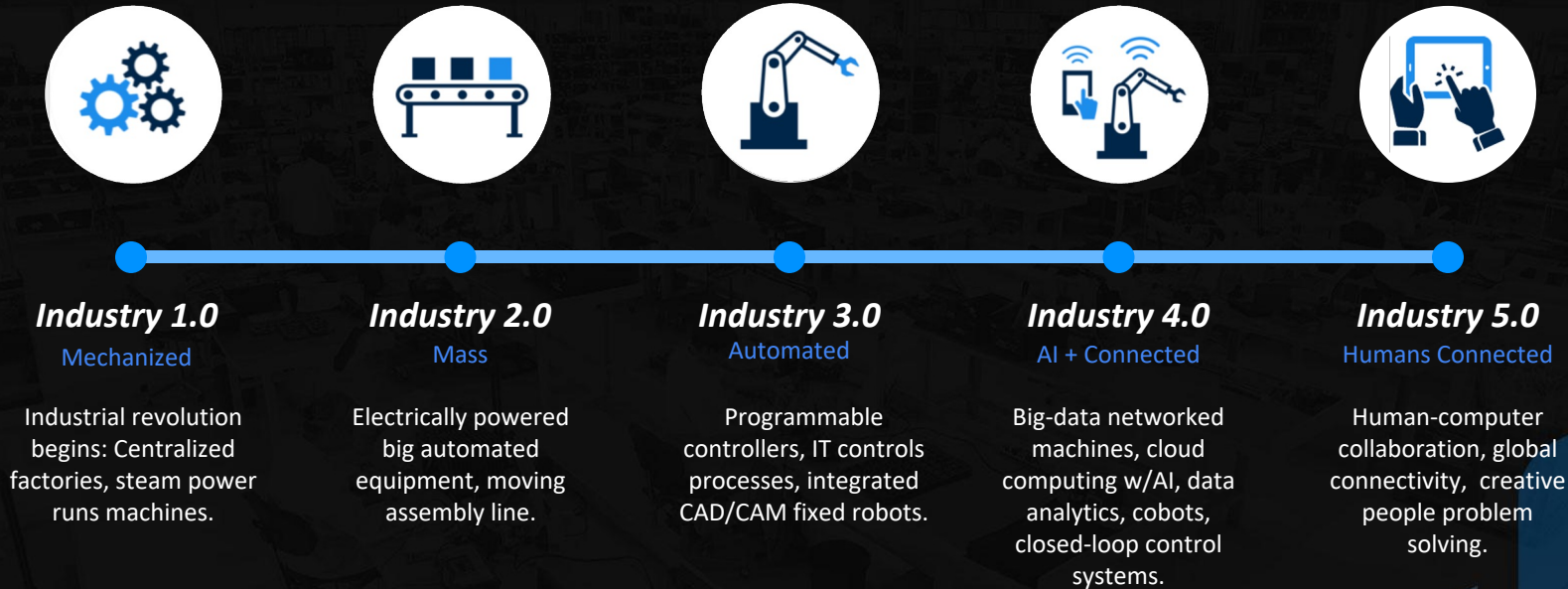


## Stack chart (yamazumi)

A visual tool for balancing processes

# History according to industry 4.0: Digital technologies

*Where are the people?!?*



People continue to be the future.

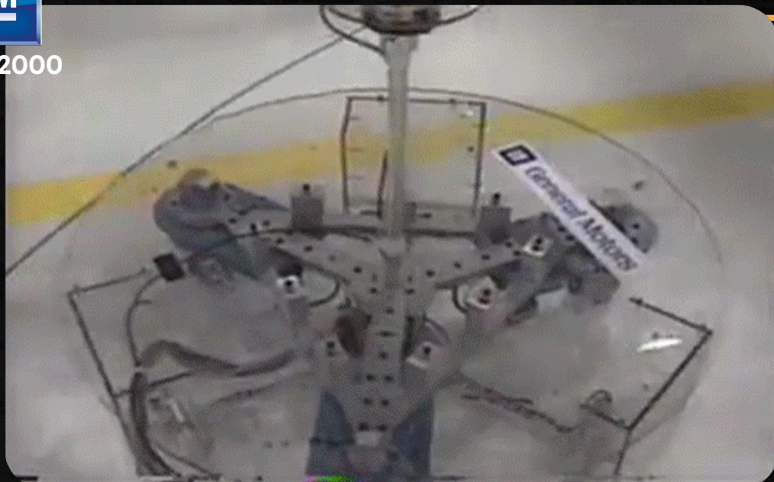
**Technology must also**  
**EMPOWER**  
people.

# Empower physically and cognitively

## Cobots physically aid humans



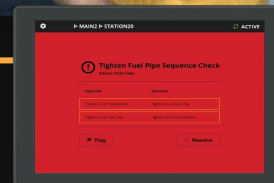
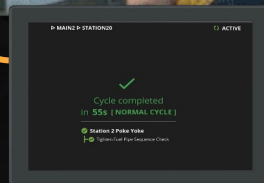
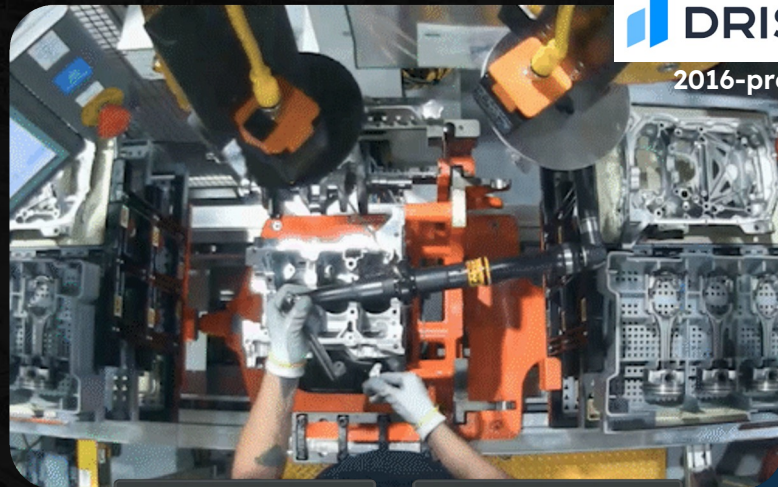
1994-2000



## Video analytics cognitively aids humans



2016-present



# Enterprise AI on a unique & new dataset of people at work

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## Capture video

Drishti captures and stores video from **every workstation.**

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## Create data

Drishti uses AI to turn the video into streams of cycle and/or action **data.**

**Action  
recognition**

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## Deliver insights

Data (backed by video) and TPS insights are delivered to those who can take action.

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# Drishti's action recognition at work



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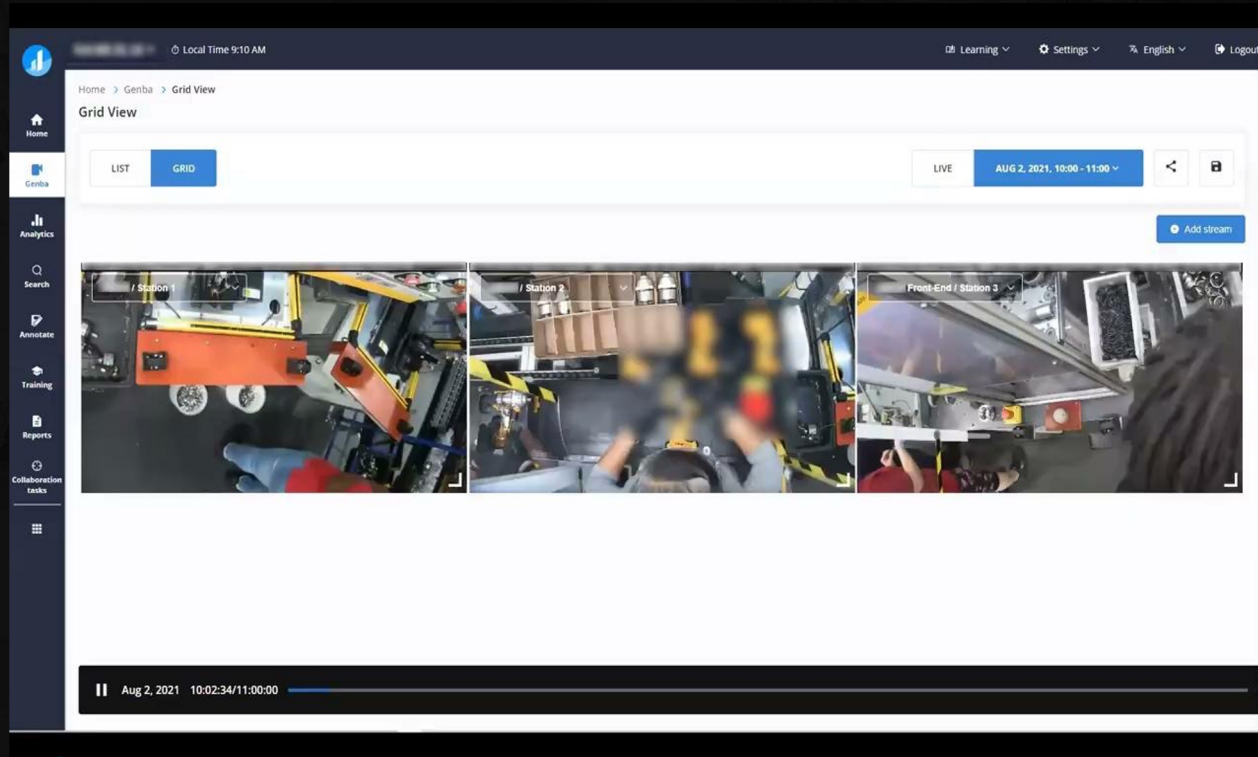
## Improve production

Manufacturers ultimately use Drishti's data and people with developed problem solving skills to drive continuous improvement.

**TPS + AI**

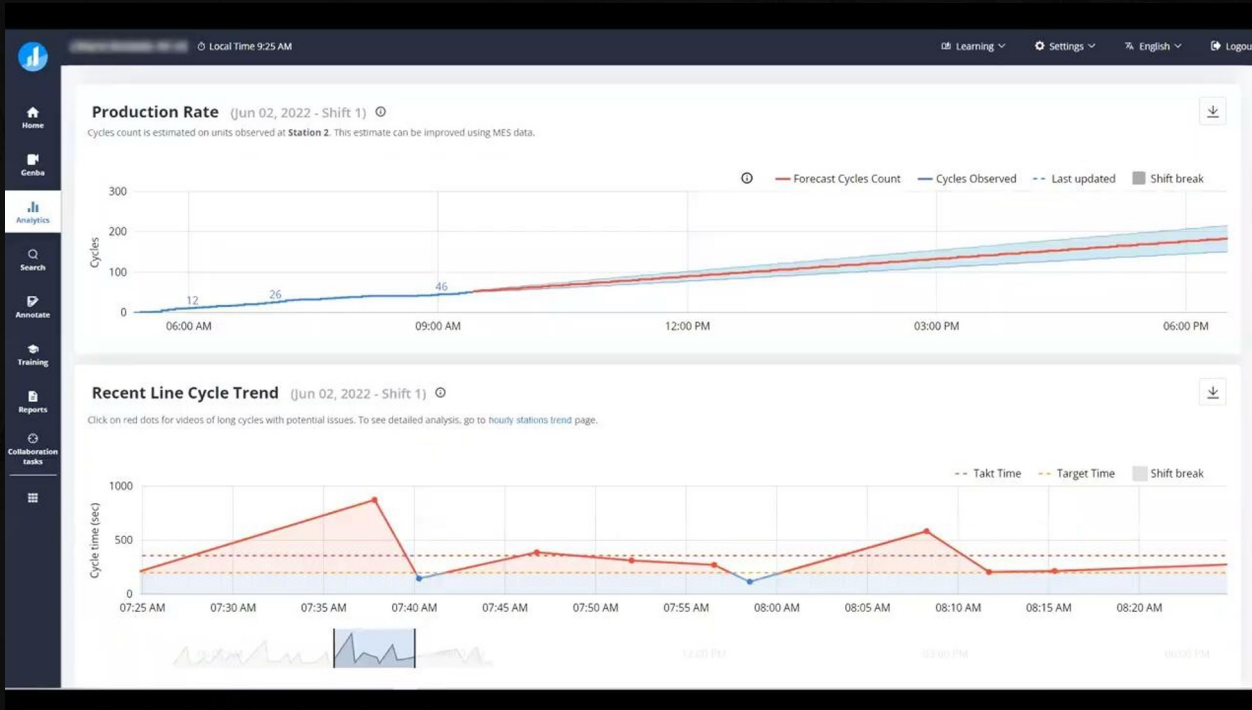
**Vertically  
integrated;  
real time**

# Use case 1: Improve traceability



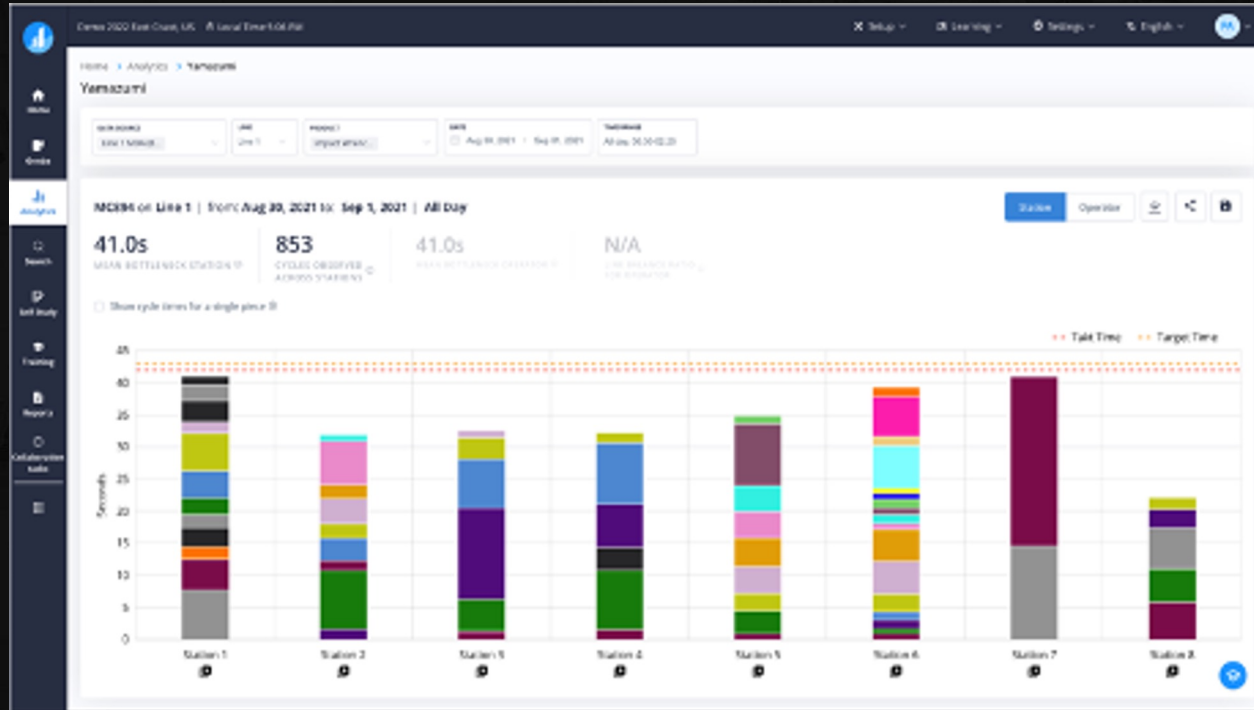
- Video search
- Root cause analysis

# Use case 2: Increase line efficiency



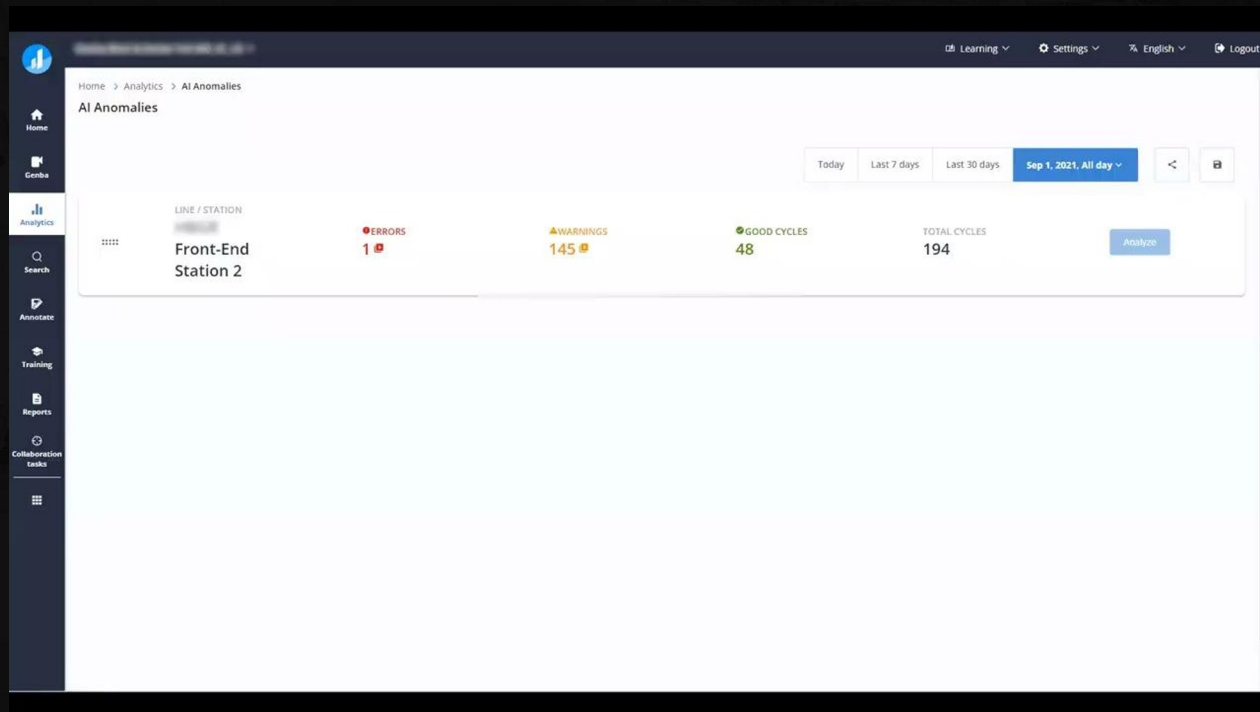
- Better line balancing and lower variability
- More efficient kaizen events
- Faster standardized work analysis
- Richer shift handover/passdown
- Faster recovery from line stoppages
- Accelerated NPI (new product introduction)

# Use case 2b: Increase line efficiency



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- Faster standardized work analysis
- Richer shift handover/passthrough
- Faster recovery from line stoppages
- Accelerated NPI (new product introduction)

## Use case 3: Reduce assembly defects



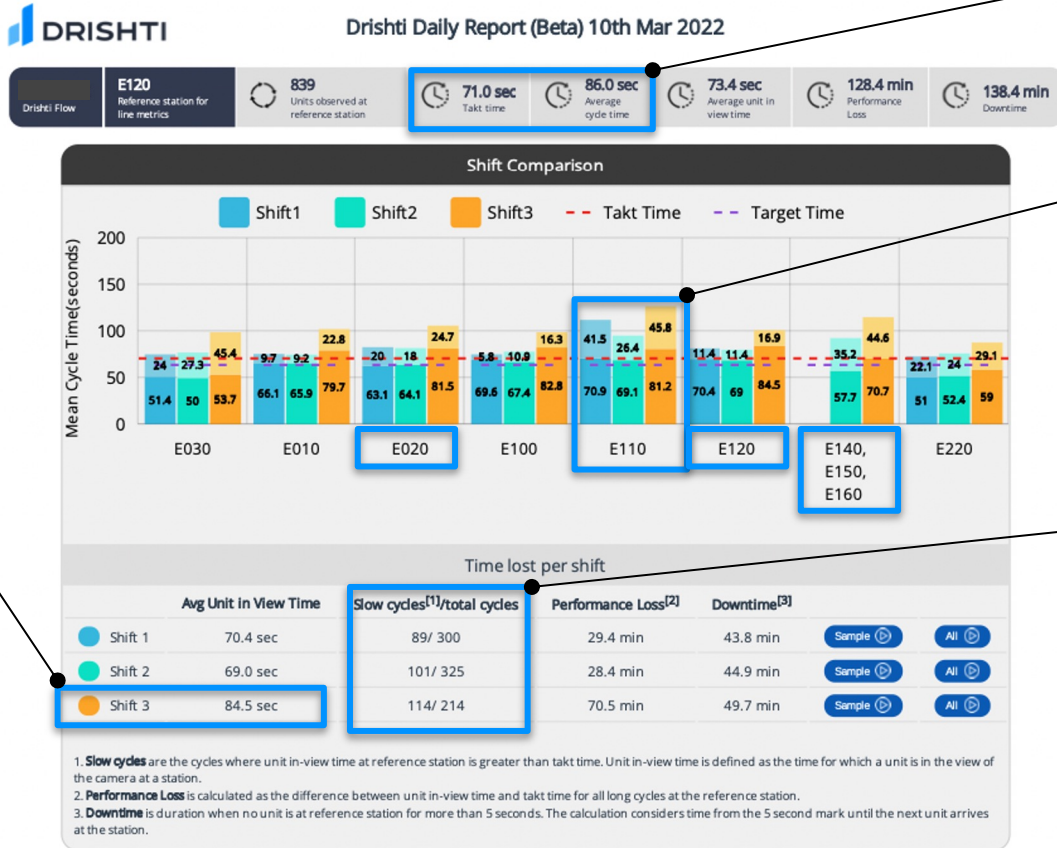
- On-the-job and *a priori* guidance and training
- Quick decision making with insightful data
- Focused countermeasure design
- Better design for manufacturability
- Deeper context via digital collaboration with video

# Use case 4: Solve problems with specific shift data

Run a kaizen every day, instead of once a year!

**OBSERVATION:**  
Shift 3 is slow

**3** Tune up Shift 3



**OBSERVATION:**  
Long cycle time  
21% longer than takt

**OBSERVATION:**  
Bottleneck station  
~112-127s  
79% over cycle

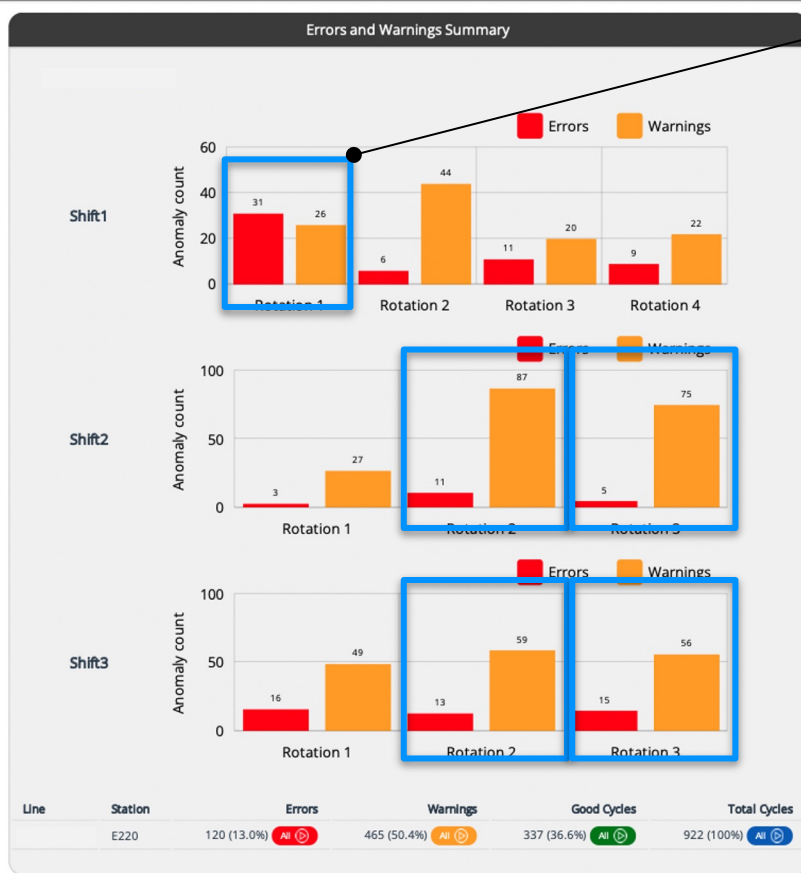
**1** Address bottlenecks

- E110
- E140/150/160
- E020

**OBSERVATION:** 30-50% of cycles are slow

**2** Reduce % slow cycles

# Use case 5: Identify whom to train and on what



## OBSERVATION:

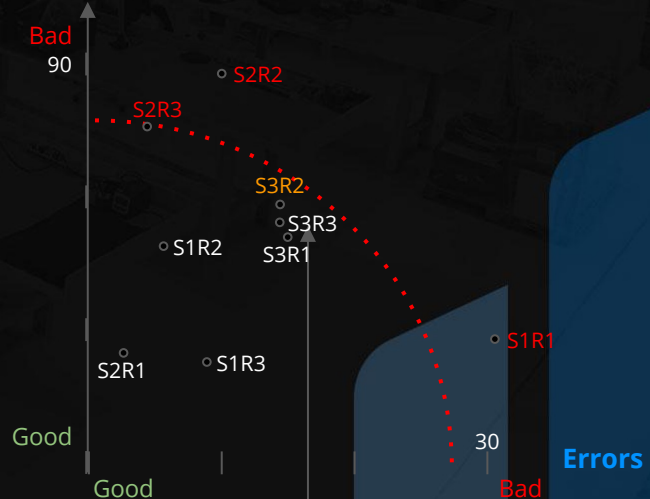
Some rotations have significant execution issues  
<Errors, Warnings>

## Train operators

4

- S1R1
- S2R2
- S2R3
- <S3R2, S3R3, S3R1>

## Warnings



# Use case 6: Identify the root causes of health & safety issues

Sep 23, 2020: S1R1

**COMUNICADO DE SEGURIDAD**

**Reporte Inicial – CHEP III**

**Tipo de Accidente**

**FTOV Ensamble LB**

**Información Básica**

|                   |                             |                      |                                   |          |            |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Fecha             | 23 Septiembre 2020          | Personal Involucrado | Operadora                         | Compañía | Ford       |
| Turno             | Primer                      | Parte Lesionada      | Manos Derecha                     | Área     | Long Block |
| Hora              | 9:00 a.m.                   | Tarea Asignada       | Rutineria                         |          |            |
| Tipo de Actividad | Tonque tambores Front Cover |                      | Ubicación del Accidente: Cn. 3180 |          |            |

**Descripción del Accidente:**

Operadora sufrió compresión de hombro derecho entre kit box y herramienta cuando extendió brazo para tratar de alcanzar motor que ya estaba en movimiento, ya que liberó motor antes de concluir con la actividad de su operación. Estado y Error: Complacencia / ojos y mente no en la tarea.

Se le brindó tratamiento en servicio médico, empleada es dada de alta apta para laborar con restricción.

**INVESTIGACIÓN EN PROCESO**

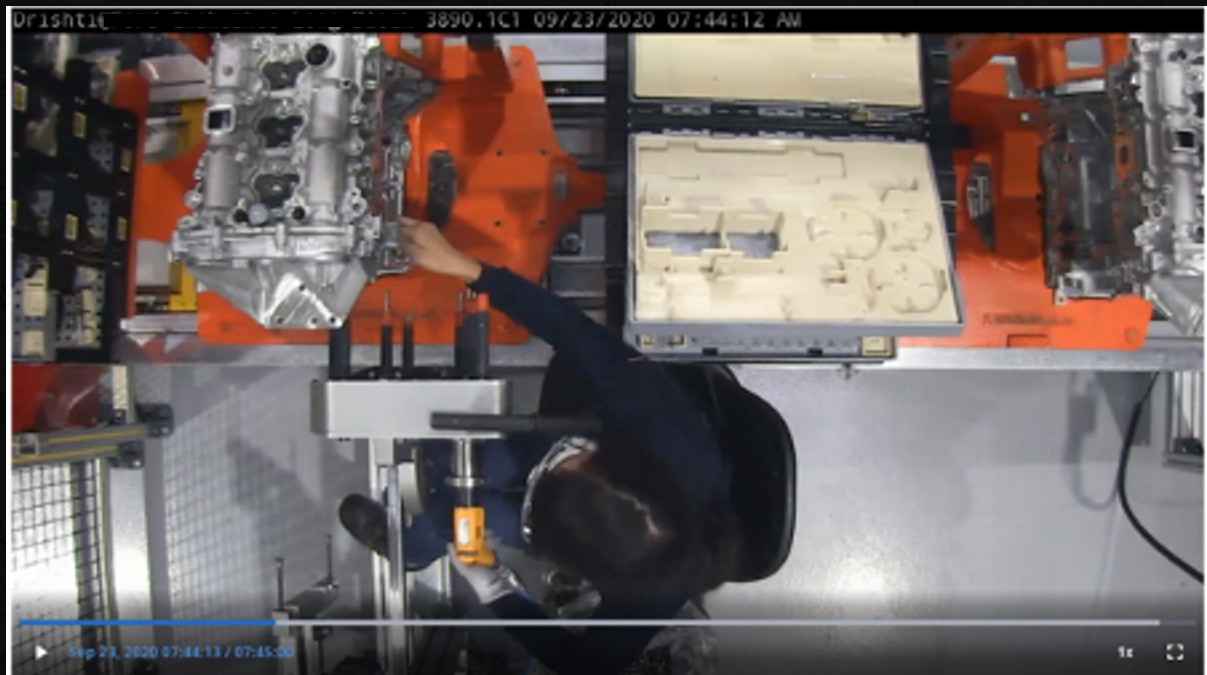
**¡NADA ES TAN IMPORTANTE, NI TAN URGENTE, QUE NO PUEDA SER HECHO CON SEGURIDAD!**

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**¡Recuerda, la Seguridad es Responsabilidad de TODOS!**

Imagen ilustrativa simulando evento

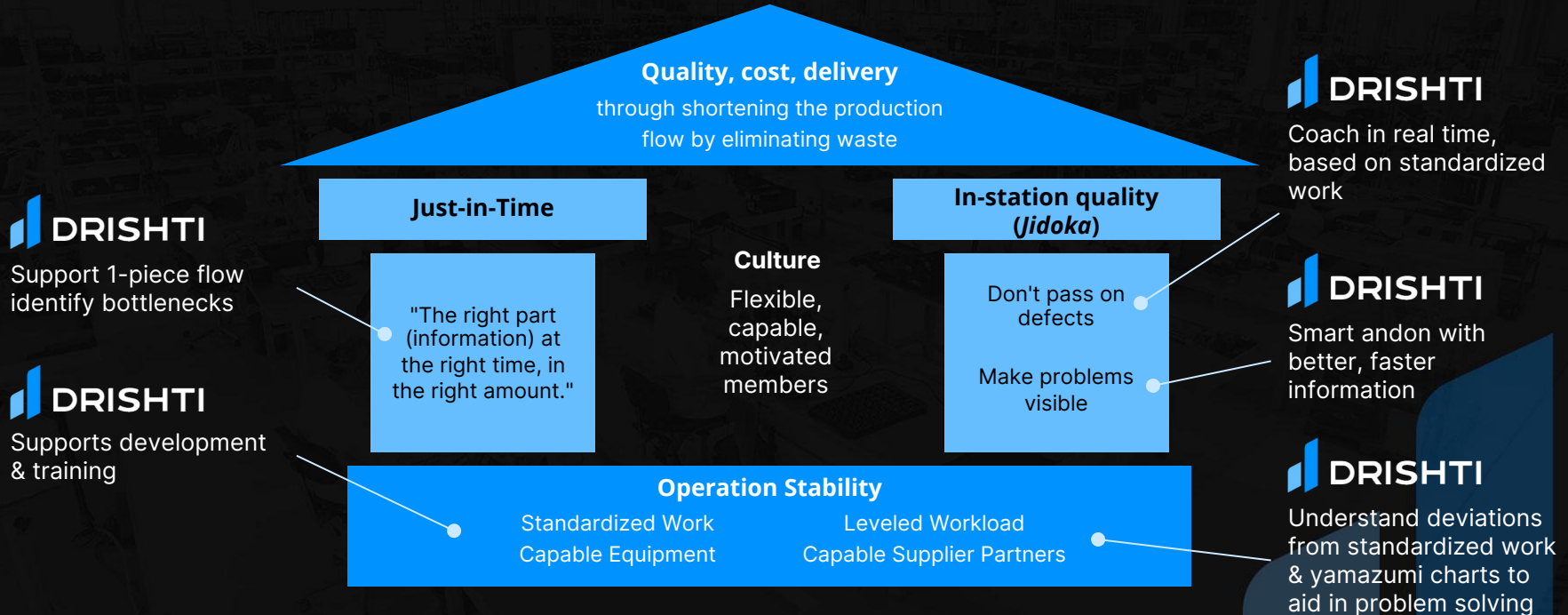
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# Drishti builds on TPS with AI

*Moving the focus from data creation to experimentation and problem solving using data*

***Make better decisions, faster***



Credit: "The Toyota Way," Jeffrey Liker

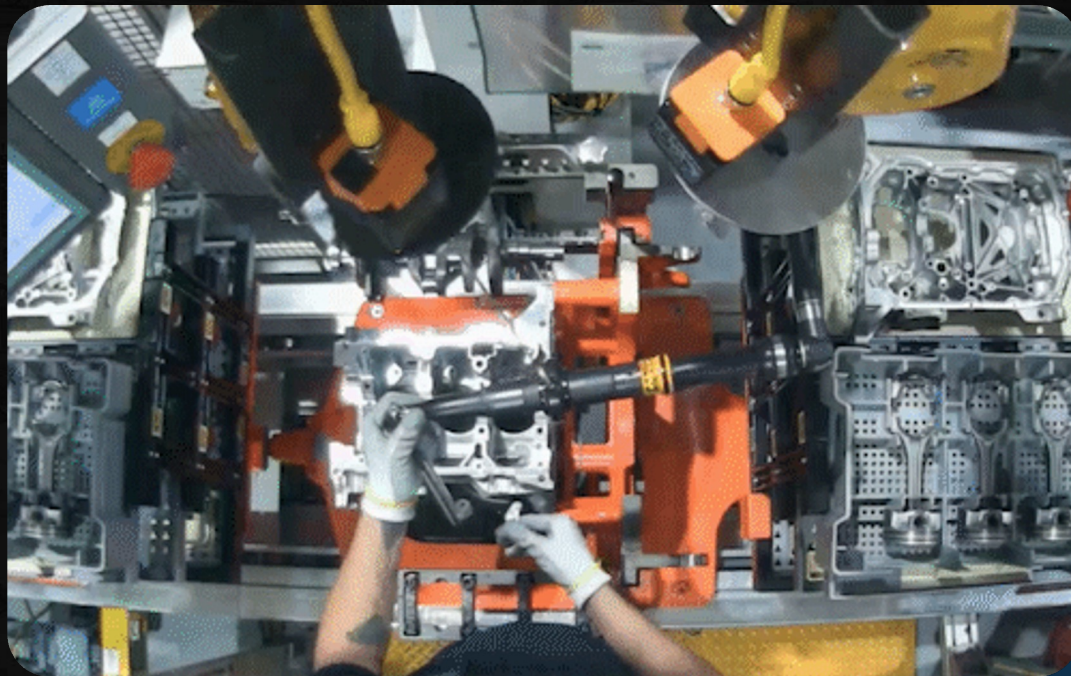
**11%**  
increase  
in efficiency

**30%**  
reduction  
in defects

**15%**  
reduction  
in scrap

**50%**  
reduction  
in training time

**\$K**  
saved  
per defect report



“This volume and quality of data is valuable as Toyota embraces **AI-powered production** for a data-driven world.

“We see Drishti’s technology as a way to help everyone in the factory.”



**TOYOTA**

Akiharu Engo  
General Manager, Powertrain  
Quality — worldwide

*Quoted in a Drishti  
press release*

# Drishhti's vision

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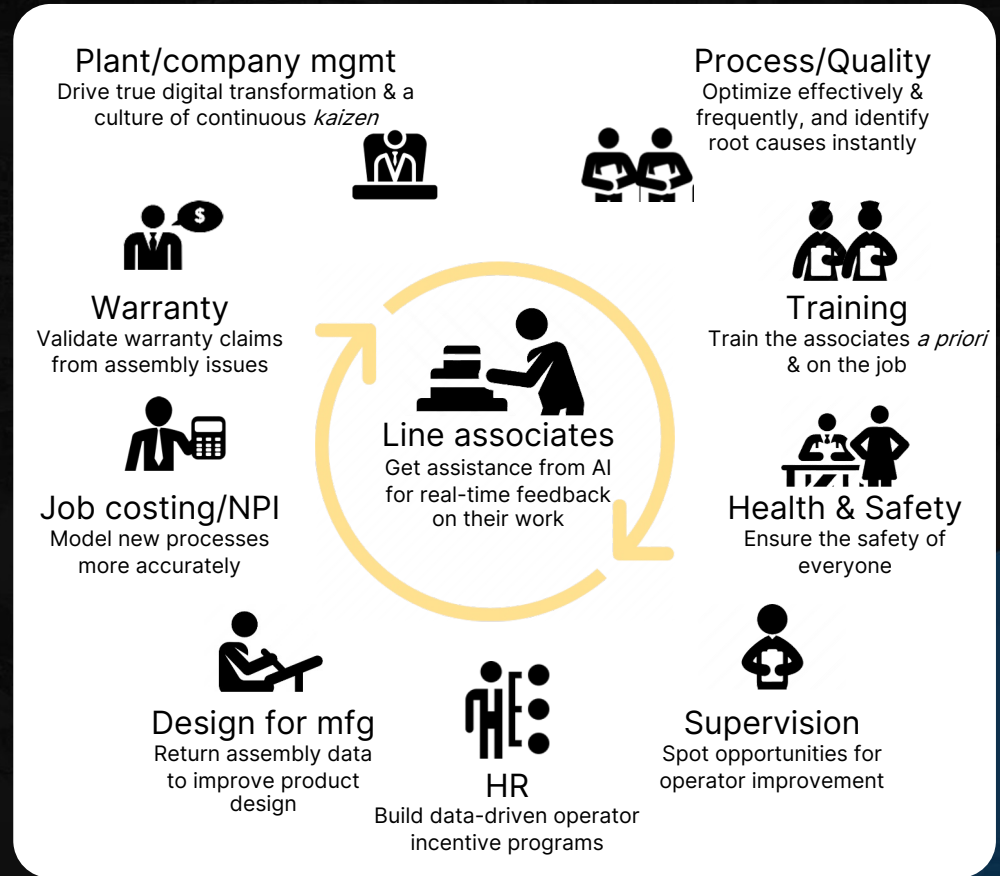
*Wherever people are at work.*



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# Drishti works with the world's most advanced manufacturers

3 of the top 10 auto OEMs

6 of the top 10 auto tier ones

2 of the top 5 cardiovascular device manufacturers

Auto • Electronics • Medical devices • Tools •  
Industrial goods • Other discrete manufacturers

9.5+M hours of video and data (and counting)  
*Drishti has the largest assembly dataset in the world.*

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People continue to be the future.

Automation creates exponential value when  
**HUMAN and MACHINE**  
work together.



# Q&A

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