



Digital Innovation, and Competitiveness Analysis and Strategy of the Shipbuilding Industry

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Introduction

➤ Characteristics of the shipyard?

- has only picture products such as drawings and photos at the shipyard's exhibition hall
- has only facility and personnel to build product as per ship-owner's request
- does not product the same ship even in case of the series orders of ships

➤ Production & Sales Strategies

Even with the same product and equipment, the operating strategies can differ:

- MTS (Make to Stock) : TV, Cars (Product Design -> Equipment Design -> Production)
- ATO (Assemble To Order) : Dell Laptop, Cars (Product design -> Equipment Design -> Production)
- ETO (Engineer to Order) : Korean Shipyard (Fixed Equipment -> Product Design -> Production)
- MTO (Make To Order) : Japanese Shipyard (Fixed Equipment -> Specification Change Design -> Production)

Introduction

➤ Shipbuilding Industry's Products



VLCC



Large Container Ship



Very Large LNG Carrier



LNG Fueled Ship



Hydrogen Fuel Cell Propulsion Ship



Ammonia Propulsion Ship



LH2 Carrier (Japan)

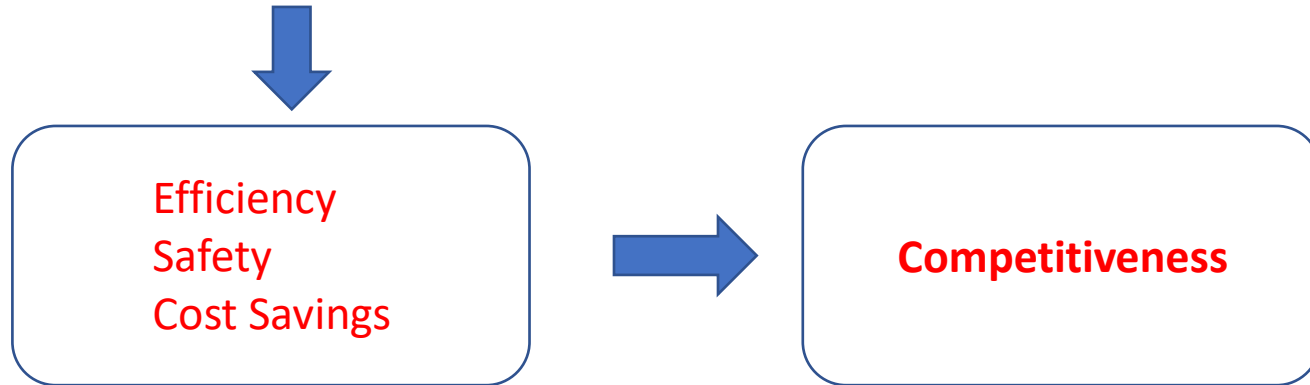
Introduction

➤ What are the objectives of shipyard?

- Ensure that new products are designed quickly and accurately for production
- Increase the productivity using the shipyard's equipment capacity and reduce the time required for production

➤ What need for shipyard to achieve the objectives:

- A system that can respond flexibly to changing products → Smart Shipyard
- Transformation to generate quick and accurate information → Digital Transformation.



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Digital Innovation in Shipyards

Digital Innovation in Shipyards

➤ Digitization, Digitalization and Digital Transformation (DX)

Digitization

- The process of converting information into a digital (computer readable) format
- The digitized data is in the form of binary numbers: examples: image, sound, document processed by digital computers

Digitalization

- The use of digital technologies digitized data to improve process and provide new revenue and value-producing opportunities
- which accelerates the new digital technology and marketing such as cloud computing, machine learning, AI and IOT, etc.

Digital Transformation (DX)

- Business Transformation enabled by digitalization
- For example, introducing AI or cloud computing to enhance the customer experience.

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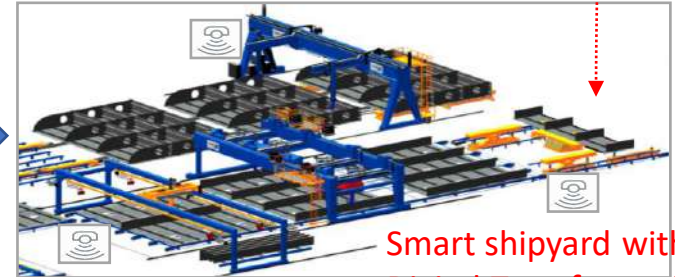
➤ Key Driving Forces of Shipbuilding Industry

- Design capacity and Product Catalog
- Better Production Systems (Equipment, Machinery)

- Leading Products in the Market
- A System that designs/produces those Products **safely, quickly and accurately**



Digital Transformation



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➤ Working Environments in Shipyards

Accidents

Crane Accident



Fire on constructing LPG Carrier



Caught btn. Steel plates



Working Env.

Cleaning with Water



Welding



Spray painting



Digital Innovation in Shipyards

➤ Evolution of Design System (as per Korean Shipbuilding Industry)



1980 (1G)

Labor Power

Manual Drawing



1990 (2G)

Automation

2D CAD



2000 (3G)

Integration

2.5D CAD



2010 (4G)

Smart Shipyard

3D CAD



2020 (5G)

Digital Transformation

DT CAD

JAPAN Shipyard (2.5G)

China Shipyard (Moving From 4G to 5G) (CCS, NACKS)

KOREA Shipyard (Advanced 3G, Moving to 5G w/o 4G)

EU, US 조선소 (Renovation with 5G)
(Ecoprodicti)

Digital Innovation in Shipyards

➤ Evolution of the Production System (as per Korean Shipbuilding Industry)

1980 (1G)

Labor Power



Passion & Labor force

1990 (2G)

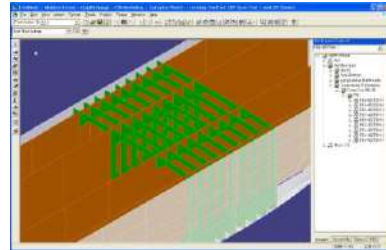
Automation



Innovative construction methods,
IT application, automation (Skid,
Mega Block, etc.)

2000 (3G)

Integration



2010 (4G)

Smart Shipyard



2020 (5G)

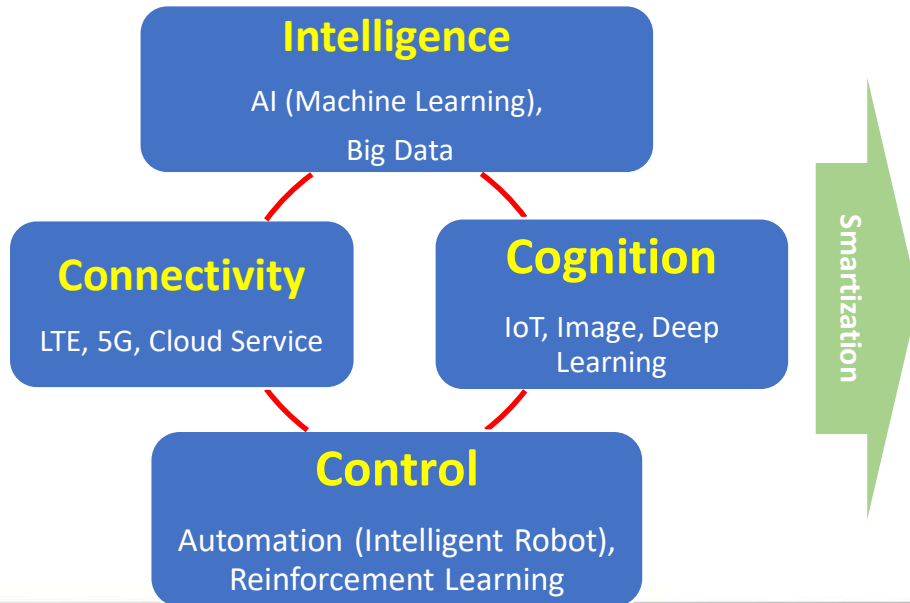
Digital Transformation

In the process of transforming into a smart shipyard

Digital Innovation in Shipyards

➤ What is Smart Shipyard?

- **Smart** = Four capacity (intelligence, Connectivity, Cognition and Control)
- **Smart Shipyard** = Transformed the current shipyard into a shipyard with intelligence, Connectivity, Cognition and Control capacity.



Digital Innovation in Shipyards

➤ What is DX in Shipyard?

- which makes the smart shipyard to operate **Information, speed, accuracy, planning, efficiency, quality, collaboration.**
- ✓ Plan operation and monitor risks
ex) PHM Twin, Ship Twin, Equipment Twin, Process Twin
- ✓ Ensure that all information flows accurately
ex) DX of Design Information (Metaverse CAD)
- ✓ Share quality information with ship owners and classification societies
- ✓ Ensure accurate supply and movement of materials
ex) DX of design information and logistics Process
- ✓ Aim for efficiency in equipment and processes
- ✓ Share information with equipment and block contractors
ex) Metaverse CAD connected service, Cloud Service (share 3D design and quality information)

Digital Innovation in Shipyards

➤ What are the targets to DX in Shipyard?

Everything operating and moving within a shipyard

- ✓ How can we accurately and quickly represent the **product**?
- ✓ How can we plan the **process** accurately to direct **resources**?
- ✓ How can we improve **resources** to ensure that **parts and processes** are completed quickly and accurately?

Information (CAD, BOM, WOP, WSD, Master Plan, Execution Plan etc.)

Product

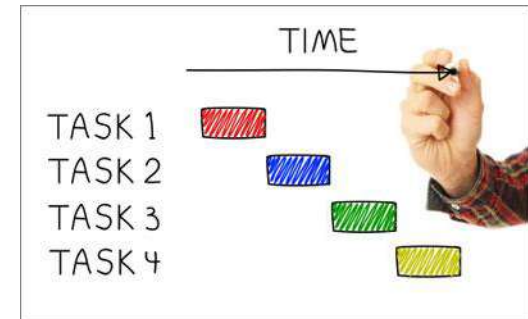


Resource



Process

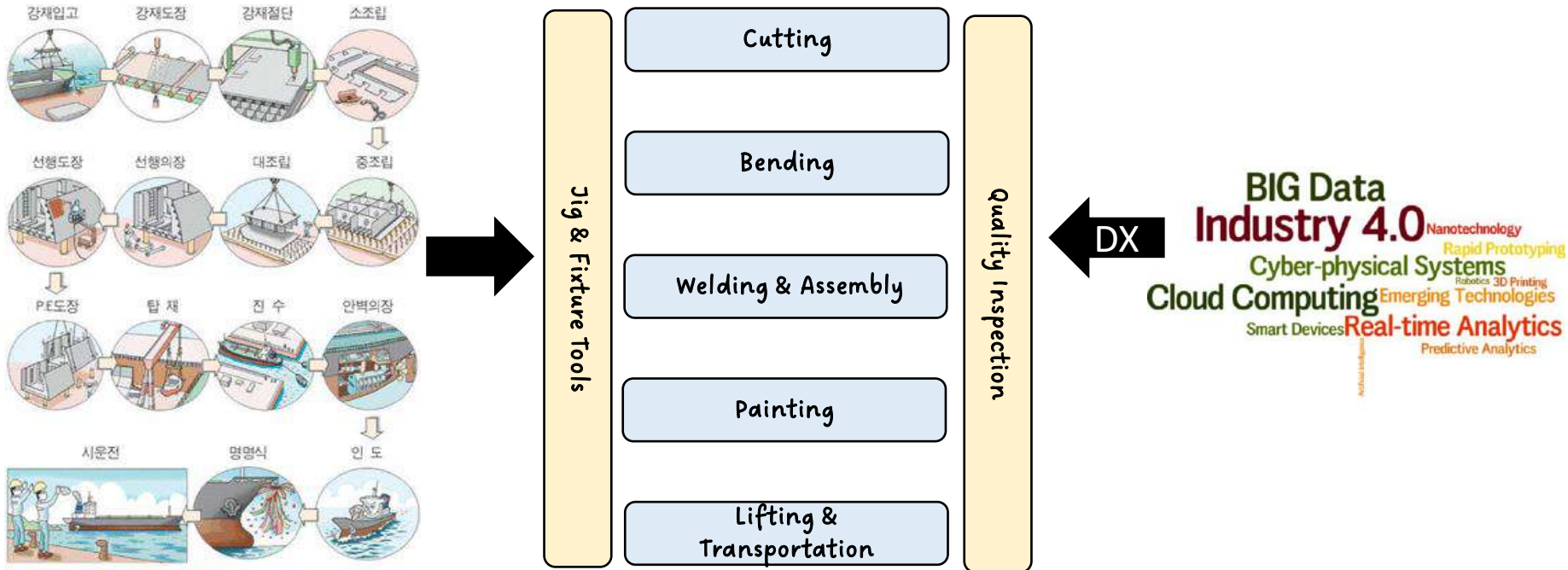
Time & Plan



Digital Innovation in Shipyards

➤ What are the targets to DX for Production Process in Shipyard?

- ✓ **Seven-Up** = 5 (Cutting, Bending, Welding & Assembly, Painting, Lifting & Transportation) + 2 (Jig & Fixture tools, Quality Inspection)
- ✓ **Smartization & DX** = How to improve Seven-Up



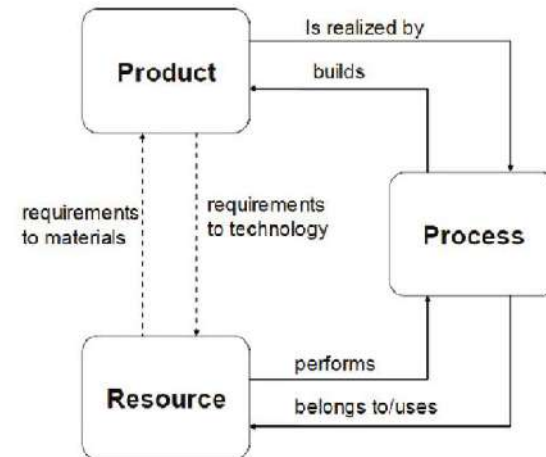
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➤ What about DX in Design (Data)?

- ✓ DX of Data must be done simultaneously with DX of production process
- ✓ CAD and process/time planning information must be connected and consistent
- ✓ The right parts should be arrived at the right time in smart shipyard.

(The information about the DX-ed parts must be communicated to the production process via planning systems or supply chain systems)

- ✓ The DX of the parts should be accurately and quickly represented in CAD, through the use of models and a bill of materials (BOM)

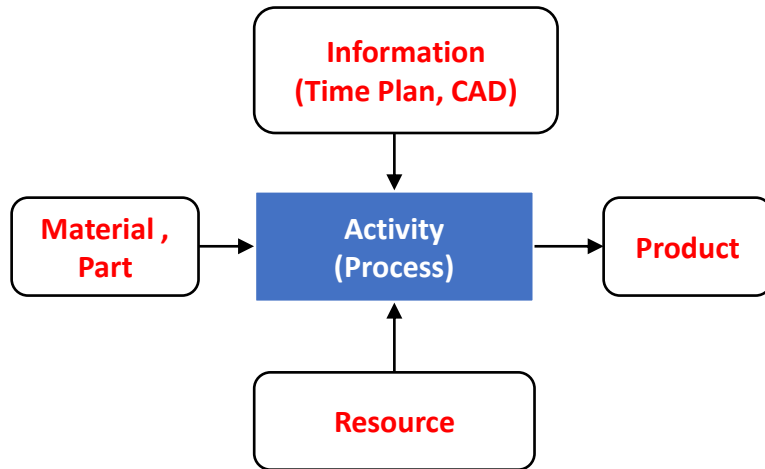


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➤ Design, Process, Procedure, Inspection, and Planning Information must be connected and communicated

✓ BOM, CAD, 3D Geometry, Inspection, Plan, Prediction (Forecasting), etc.

- Examples
 - 3D shape information for operating a welding robot
 - Data collected by sensors
 - Drawings and associated textual information for thousands of parts
 - Information for purchased items and their part number designation



DX delivers the Information & Data required by Product, Process, Resource, and Time (Plan) to the Smart Factory quickly and accurately

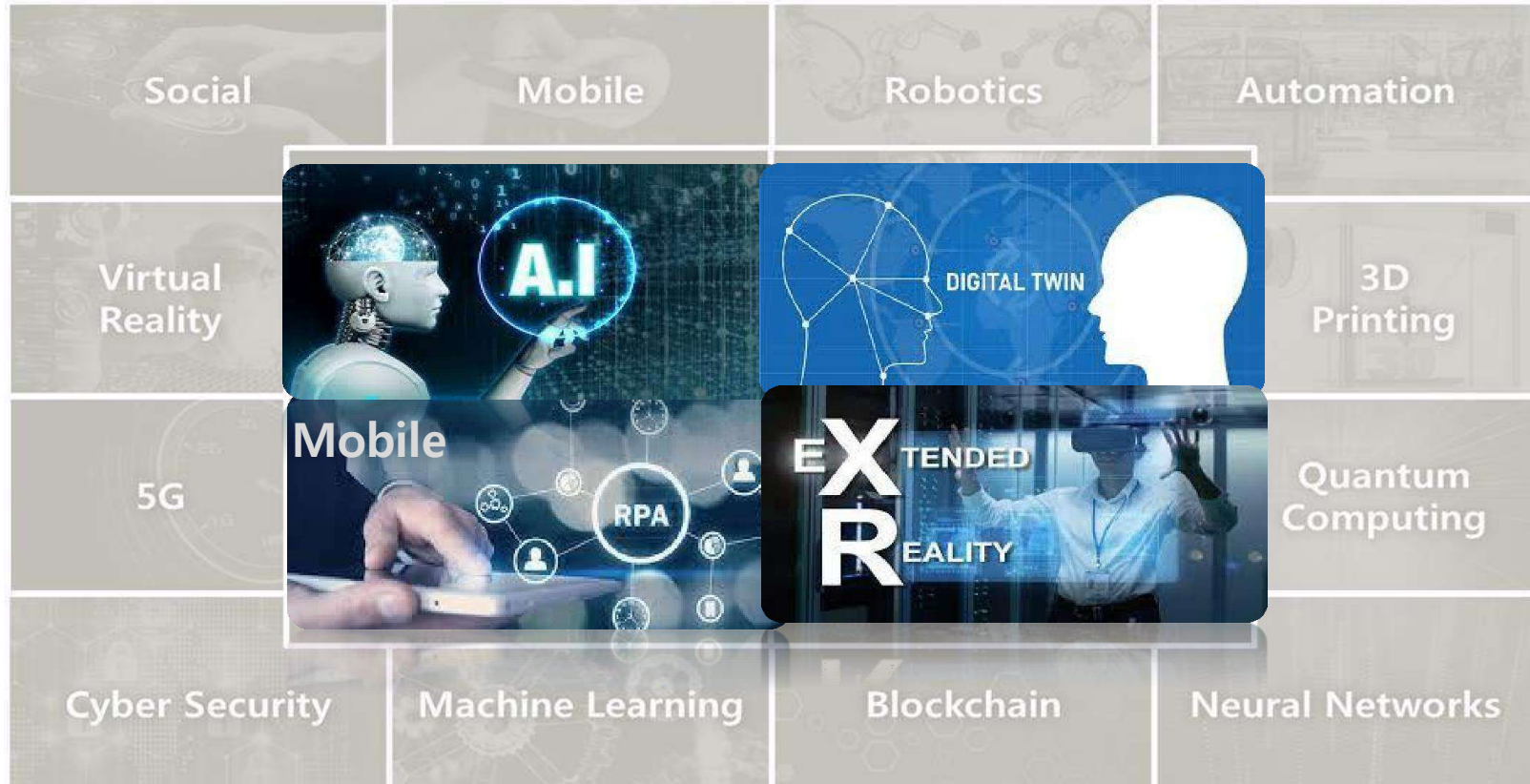
SW systems (CAD, PLM, BOM, APS, ERP, SCM etc.) should to be improved to perform these tasks.

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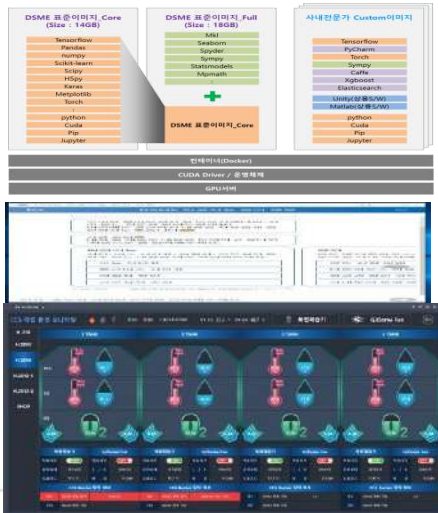


Applicable DX Technology in Shipyards

- It will be possible to implant DX technology into Smart Shipyard
- Remarkable successes in the fields of AI, Digital Twin, Mobile/RPA and VR/AR

AI

- AI and Data Analysis Platform
- Chatbot System for Work Support management
- Temperature and Humidity control inside Cargo hold



Digital Twin

- Smartyard monitoring and Control System
- Smart Commissioning remote control
- Intelligent Safety and environment monitoring



Mobile / RPA

- Mobile based quality inspection
- Work Improvement via RPA (Robotic Process Automation)
- Smartwork for Outfitting



VR/AR/XR

- Crew Training System with VR
- Welding/Painting Training with VR
- VR based quality inspection



Applicable DX Technology in Shipyards

(1) Artificial Intelligence (AI) : Technical Document Review

- Establishment of solutions for efficient communication related to sales and ship construction
- Aims for data-based risk management and automation through AI technology rather than judgment based on work experience

Quick and Accurate Reasoning

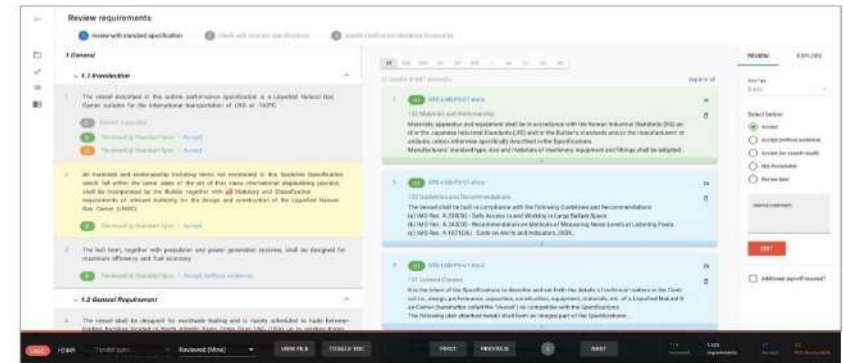
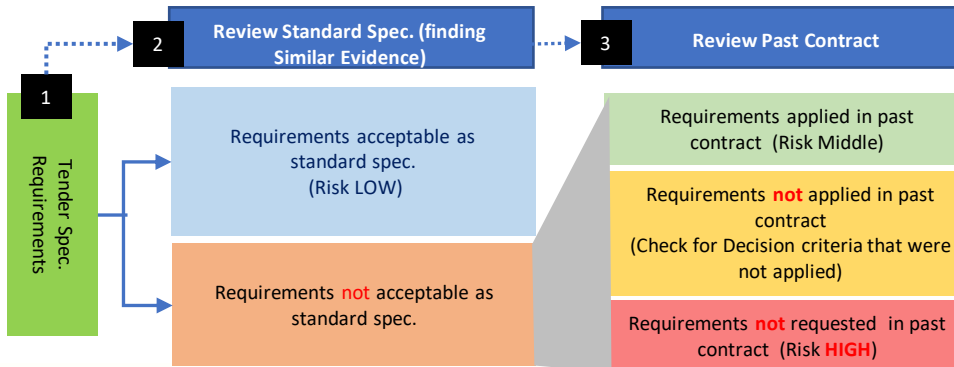
It quickly and accurately presents data based on judgment to aid in deciding whether to accept the requirements during the review of technical documents

Automation

Recommendation based on Past Docs.

Recommendation of past review contents based on the review data accumulated in the system to minimize review work

Risk Management Work Efficiency



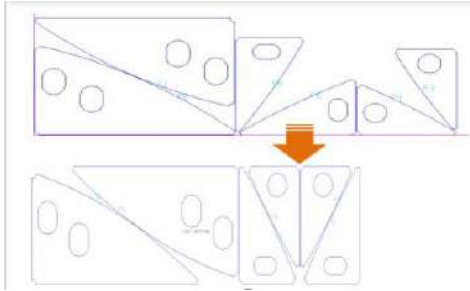
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(1) Artificial Intelligence (AI) : CAD

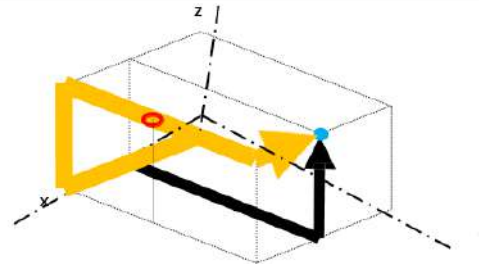
- Incorporation of AI technology into design automation

AI based Design Automation

AI Nesting



AI based PIPE AUTO-ROUTING

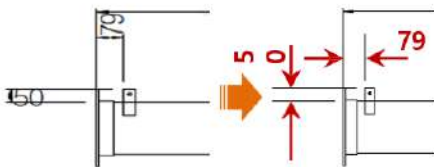


JPS (JumpPointSearch) based Auto Routing

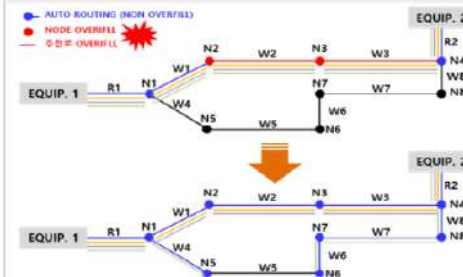
AI based Design Chatbot system



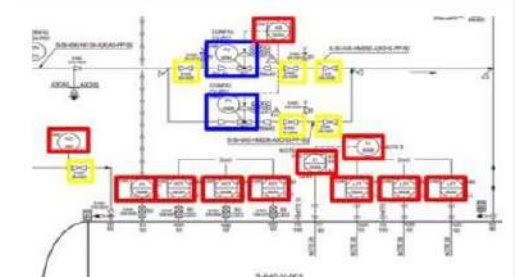
Outfitting Drawing Quality Improvement



AI based CABLE AUTO-ROUTING



P&ID Material Calculation



Applicable DX Technology in Shipyards

(1) Artificial Intelligence (AI) : Intelligent Welding Robot

- Development of Intelligent welding robot with AI & Sensor technology

AS WAS – Manual Welding



AS IS – Robot Welding



Applicable DX Technology in Shipyards

(1) Artificial Intelligence (AI) : Bending Rolls

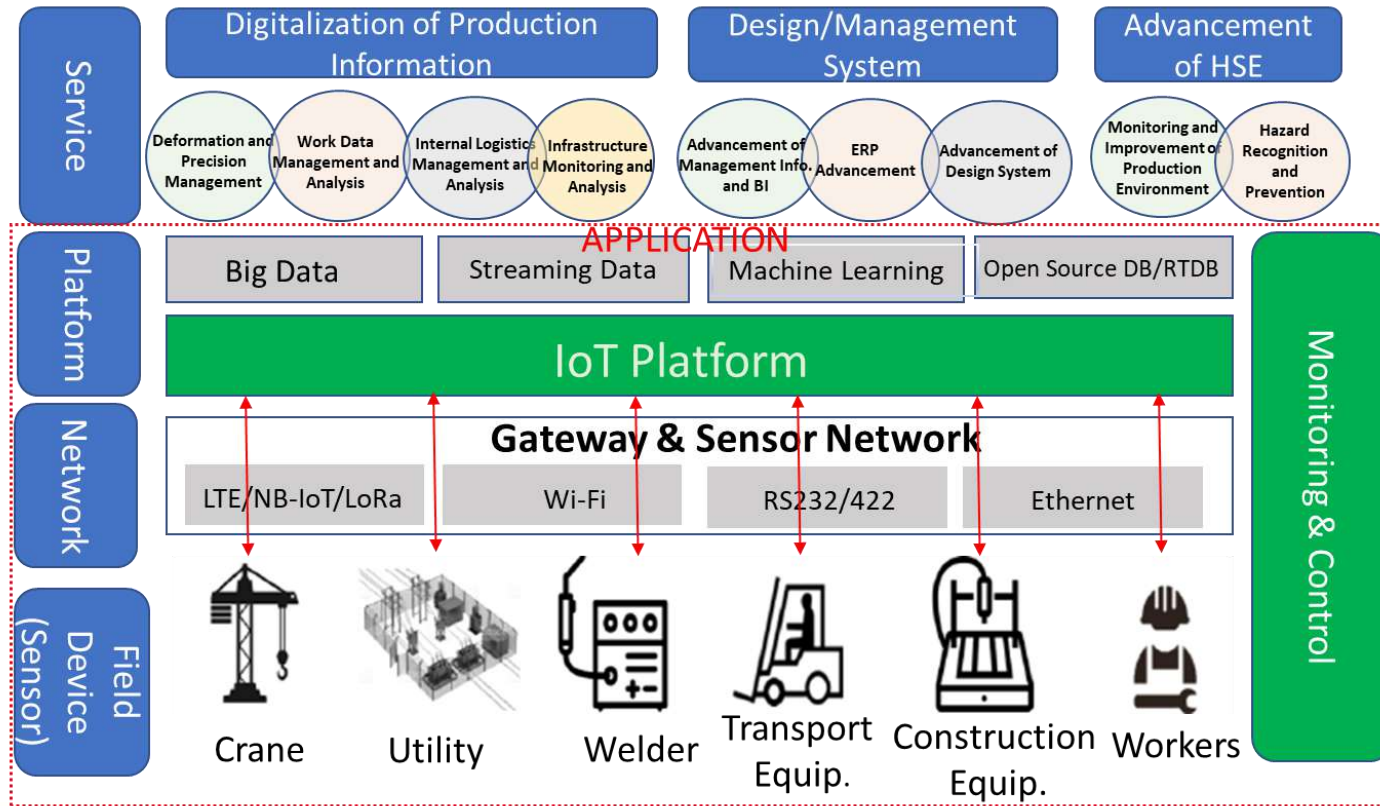
- Robot Processing utilizing accumulated surface machining information



Applicable DX Technology in Shipyards

(2) Digital Twin – IoT Platform

- Utilization of IoT platform to collect, analyze, and visualize data for use in business operations



*BI : Business Intelligence

*ERP: Enterprise Resource Planning

*RTDB: Real Time DataBase

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(2) Digital Twin – Construction Control Center

- Digitalized Construction Control Center utilizing Digital Twin technology
- Real-time monitoring of Ship Construction via Big Screen



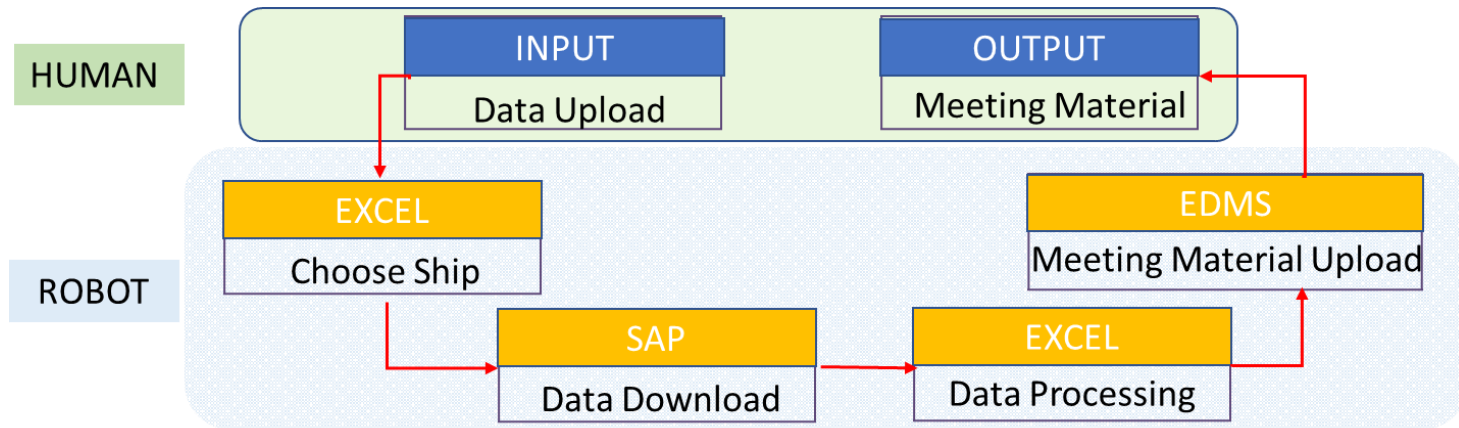
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(3) Mobile/RPA – RPA based work innovation

- Application of RPA to establish smartwork environment as a work innovation tool
- Utilized RPA to use multiple data, repetitive tasks, and works outside of work hour

Example of RPA application

- Work Title: Calculation of launching progress rate of the ship and use for the meeting
- Work Hour/Period : 1h / 5 times/week



*SAP: System Applications and Products in Data Processing

*EDMS: Electronic Document Management System

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(4) Virtual/Extended Reality – VR/XR based Design Review

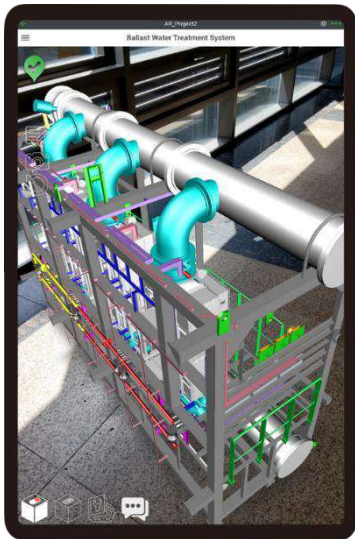
- Establishing VR/XR based Design Review Environment for quick and accurate design review and decision making



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(4) Virtual/Extended Reality – Quality management AR System

- Consistency Comparison between 3-D Model based AR contents and Real Equipment



Ground Extended



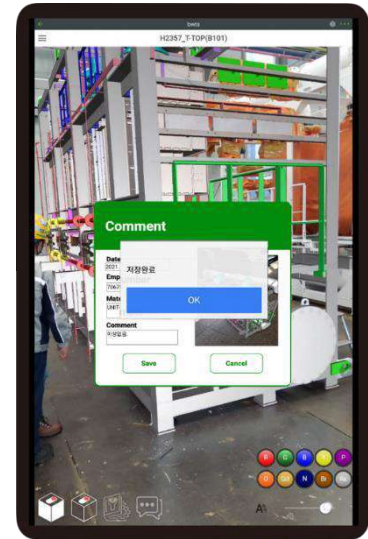
3D outside View



3D Inside View



Technical Manual

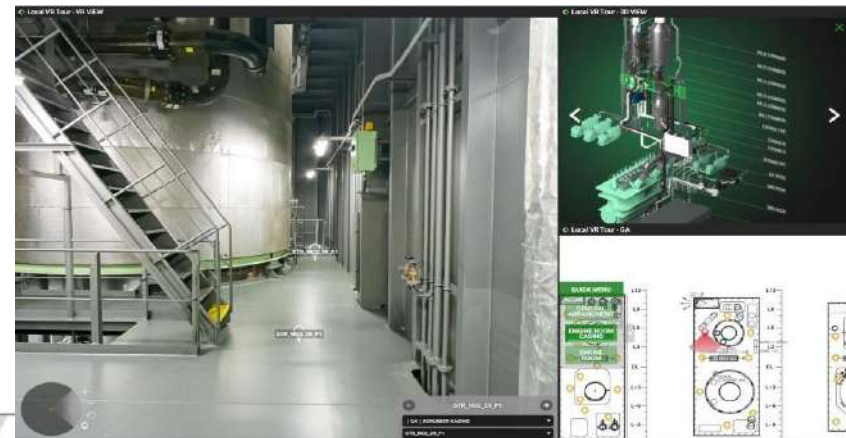
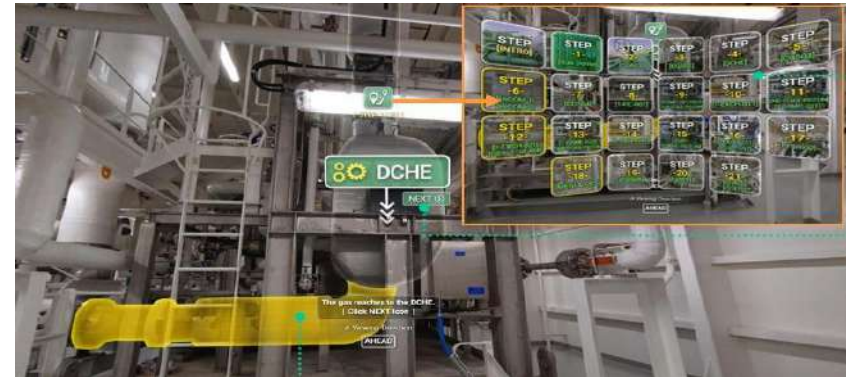
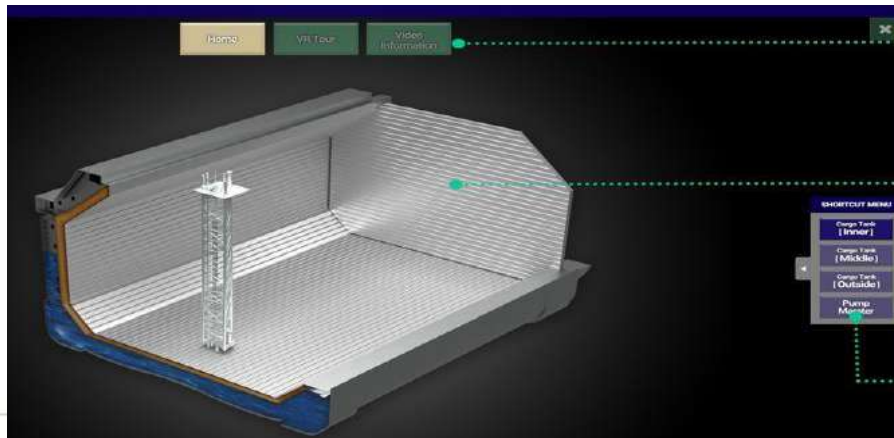


Comment Function

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(4) Virtual/Extended Reality – VR based Crew Training System

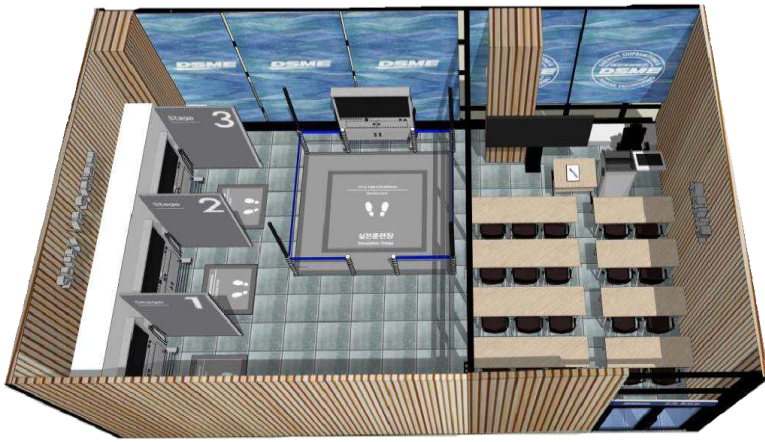
- Providing Operation manual and crew training system based on VR



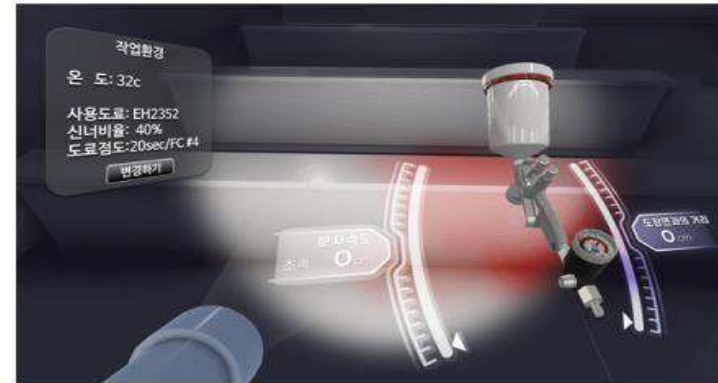
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(4) Virtual/Extended Reality – VR based Painting Train

Virtual Classroom



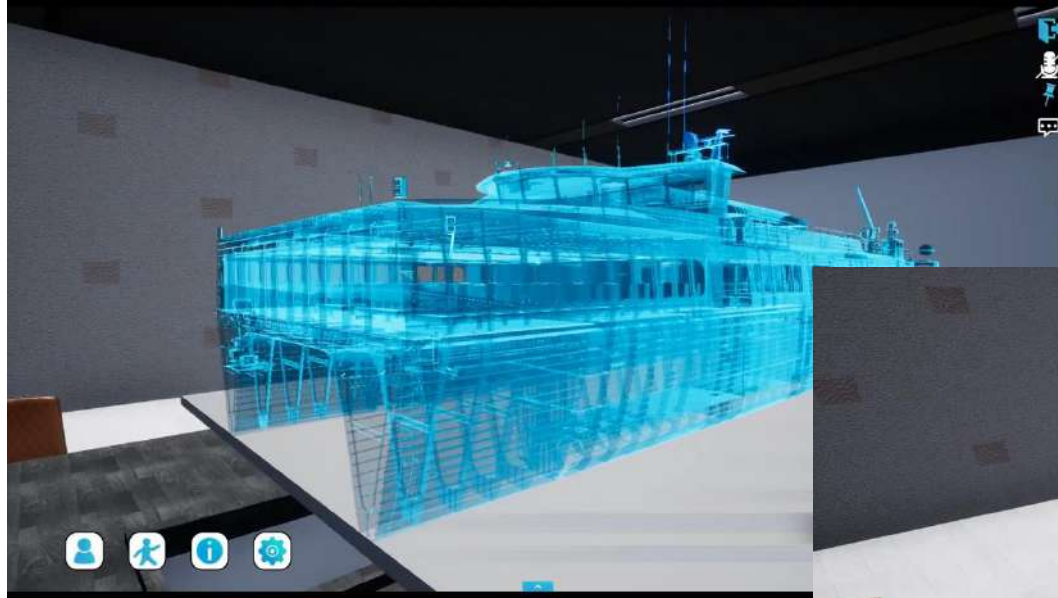
- Job training program for skilled workers
 - Theory education related to paint/painting
 - Practice training using VR contents



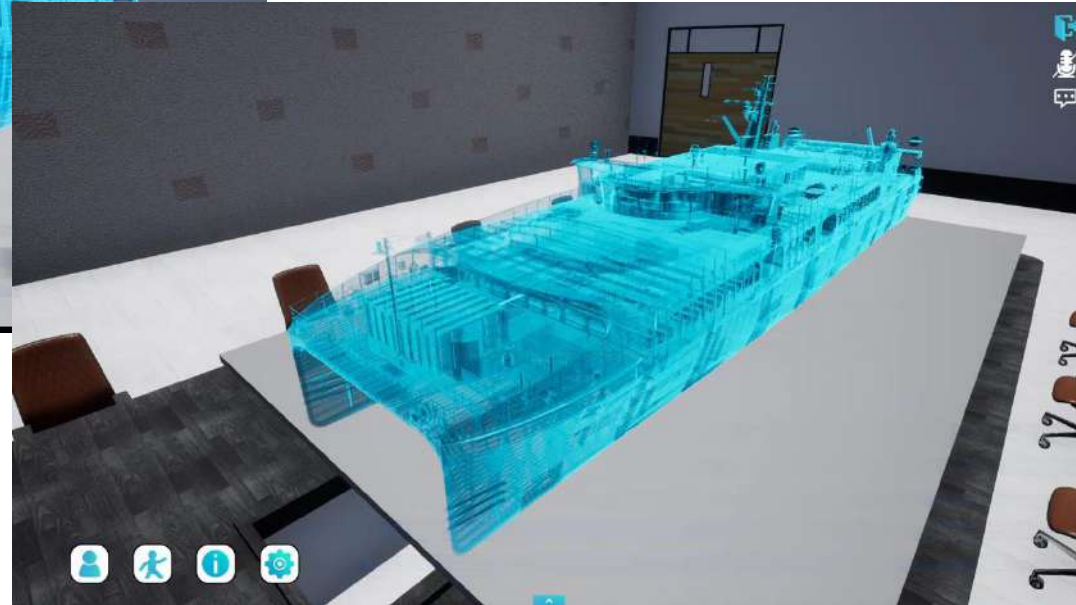
- Positive Effects
 - Skill improvement through repeated practice using VR contents
 - Experience result feedback and history management

Applicable DX Technology in Shipyards

Metaverse based Digital Twin



Remote Solution



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Competitiveness Analysis and Strategy

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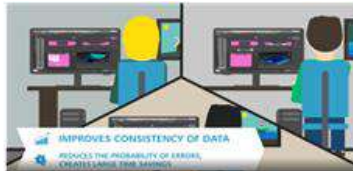
➤ Global trends to strengthen Competitiveness in shipyards

✓ EU SMARTYards Project

- comprises 17 partners from 9 European countries with SME shipyards and technology providers in a leading role
- improves the productivity of European small and medium sized shipyards and related subcontractors working with them by at least 20%
- develops **test and validate smart technology solutions, comprising the optimum between design, equipment and work organization**



Introduction of Automatic welding system replacing Manual Welding



Reduction of error through the data exchange between 3D design SW



**Productivity
20% Up**

➤ Global trends to strengthen Competitiveness in shipyards

✓ China

- Chinese government announced the Intelligent Ship Development Action Plan (2019 – 2021)
- Which aims to promote the integration of modern IT, AI and other innovative and high technology with shipping sector
- Which listed 7 key tasks, and one of them is “improving design and construction ability for intelligent shipping equipment and facility”
- CSSC & CSIS : Process Digitalization from design to production by 2025 => target to reduce the production cost by 50%
- SWS Shipyard : Replaced 2D drawings with 3D CAD by 80% => Efficiency improved

➤ Global trends to strengthen Competitiveness in shipyards

✓ Japan

- Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT) decided to support R&D of innovative shipbuilding technology to improve the productivity in the shipbuilding industry (2018)
- Mitsubishi Heavy Industries (HMI): developed a management system called “M-SBIS” which integrates various functions related to shipbuilding, such as design, procurement, and production, into a single platform.
- Kawasaki Heavy Industries: developed a ship design system that uses AI to optimize ship design and reduce design time, and which includes VR to visualize and interact with designs in a 3D environment.
- Imabari Shipbuilding: developed a ship design system that uses AI and a production scheduling system that optimizes production efficiency, and also introduce the use of robotics in shipbuilding, including automated welding systems.

➤ Competitiveness Strategy in Shipbuilding Industry

- **Reduce the cost:** need to improve production efficiency, optimize the supply chain, adopt the new technologies which can reduce the labor and material costs
- **Focus on market demands:** need to adopt the market demands such as smart ships, autonomous ships, and low/zero carbon fueled ships
- **Make a Difference:** need to offer difference from the competitors, which can be the product differentiation such as cruise (EU), offering specialized design services to meet specific customer requirements (Japan), and cost reduction through global networks (Korea)
- **Diversify business models:** expand the business to offshore, repair, marine services, O&M if possible
- **Invest in R&D :** need to improve technological capabilities to adopt the new technologies to provide the high quality products and services

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Conclusions

Conclusions

- To stay ahead in a highly competitive industry and position for long term survival, the shipbuilding industry must focus on the continuous improvement of their technologies for products and services, and innovation on their facility and systems.
- To achieve sustainable growth, the shipbuilding industry must pursue a revolutionary increase in productivity and product quality.
- Then, How?

Digital Transformation

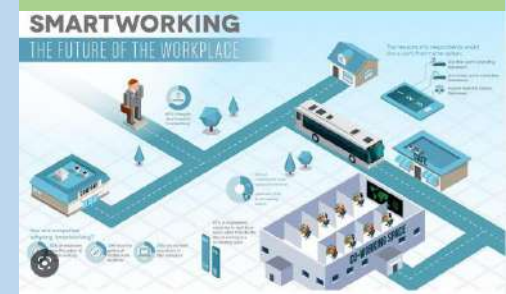
Smart Shipyard



Smart Ship



Smart Workplace





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