

Digital transformation for SMB factories

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Agenda

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Topics

- 1. SMB Factories are a Massive part of US manufacturing
- 2. What digital transformation looks like
- 3. Examples of what digital transformation can provide
- 4. Example of one factory's journey so far



SMB Factories are Massive

Why small & midsize factories are so important

Small & Midsize factories are the largest manufacturing segment

500+employees per site, with multiple locations. Enterprise:

Sophisticated tech stacks with products customized to fit their requirements.

SMB: 20-499 employees per site. If multi-factory, likely less than 5 sites.

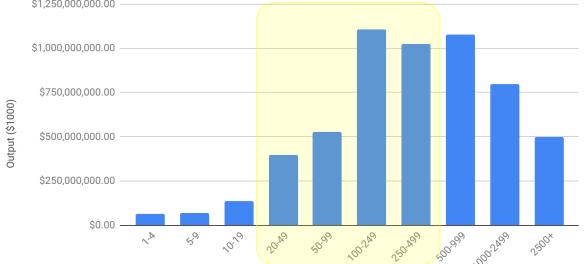
Handful of technologies integrated around accounting/inventory (ERP) & shop floor (MES)

Tiny: <20 employees. One location.

QuickBooks or ERP-lite with spot solutions (based on their business needs).

Output vs Manufacturer Size

\$1,250,000,000.00



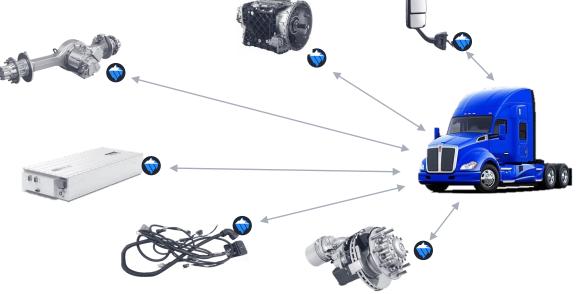
Enterprise: (500+)	2,750 sites \$2.4 Trillion annually 42% of revenue
SMB: (20-499)	84,000 sites \$3.1 Trillion annually 54% of revenue
Tiny: (1-19)	210,000 sites \$0.3 Trillion annually 4% of revenue

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SMB Factories make up the majority of the supply chain

The majority of suppliers are SMB, forming the backbone of the largest industries in the world.





A single semi-truck requires 1000's of suppliers with 10,000's of sub-suppliers

What does digital transformation look like for SMB factories?

Hint: its not the portrayal often found in the media...

What does digital transformation look like for mid-sized factories?



"Digital Transformation" often suggests robotics, AI/ML, etc.



This what actual Digital Transformation looks like. Assisting, not disturbing.

The purpose is to solve today's "death by a thousand cuts"

The vast majority of factories **do not** suffer from one or two large issues. They are held back by dozens of small issues that add up to 30%+ in lost output

People



"Hiring, training & retaining employees is a constant challenge"

Equipment



"We lost hours in repair because we didn't torque a fastener correctly"

Data



"I don't know how productive my factory workers truly are"

What *should* it look like for SMBs?

Leverage solutions created across hundreds of factories, allowing each team to **continuously improve** their factory each and every day.

People



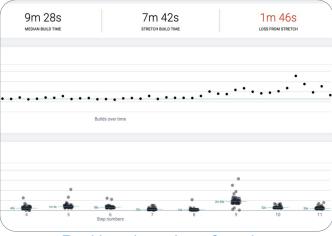
Interactive work environment with training & production integrated seamlessly together

Equipment



Fully integrated tools & machines setup in minutes by anyone in the factory.

Data



Realtime throughput & worker productivity data to KNOW exactly how operations are performing

Examples of Solutions

What problems can be solved and how much does it cost to solve them?

Training Burden

Company: DC Fast Chargers, Tennessee

Issue: New factory creation. Hundreds of new employees

30-60min TAKT time processes

~3-week process supervising new employees

Solution: Uniform digital interface for all instructions

Layered content for both training & production

Yield: 200 stations rolled out in 5 months by 3 people

140 connected TQ tools & test equipment

\$84k per year in software cost (all in)

Training time reduced to less than 1 day



Critical Fasteners

Company: RV Supplier, Indiana

Issue: Critical joint field failure risk requires smart tool

solution & integration into processes

Solution: Specialized transducerized high TQ pulse tool (Uryu)

with integration for configuration & data recording

Yield: ~ 1 week to setup the infrastructure (air + power)

tool integration from Pico's library

\$25k for the tool & controller + \$800/mo in software

2400+ error free chassis and counting



Li Ion Iow volume production

Company: Li Ion battery pack supplier, California

Issue: Building battery packs requires error proofing and full

traceability on ALL processes

Solution: Shop floor operating system with tool & machine

integration + worker guidance, within a 50 person

company budget

Yield: 20 stations integrated in 3 months by 1 engineer

\$54k per year in software cost

15000+ products shipped with full traceability



Factory Example

What path does a digital transformation often follow?

ABOVE. BEYOND. ALWAYS.



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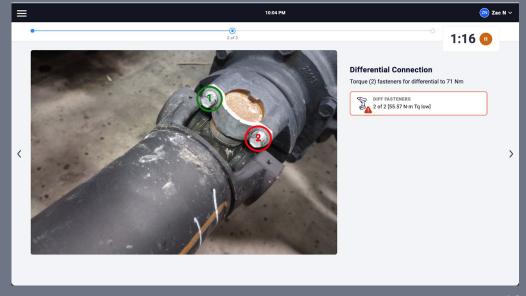
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Connected tools

- Need 100% certainty that every fastener is torqued to specification.
 - Varied fastener count: 6-12
 - 2-4 locations on the drive shaft
 - Several different classes of chassis and manufacturers.
- Need full integration to ensure the chassis does not advance to the next process ideally an effortless interface for the operator.

Every chassis since the installation of Pico MES has been installed error-free! **2,400 chassis and counting!**

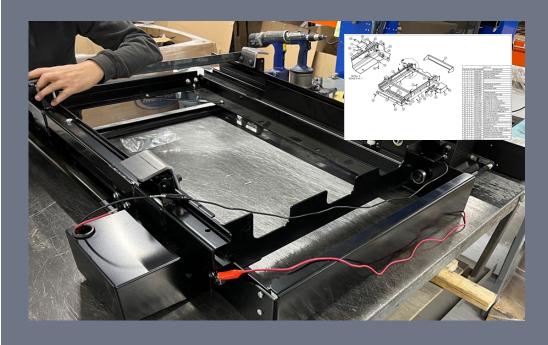




Operator experience

- Allowed us to document production floor knowledge, lessons learned from customer issues, and put it in a reference location that will be accessed and displayed with every build.
- Saves on set up time, training time, and gives us data to know where to focus efforts for efficiency improvements, training needs, and management efforts

Over 500 processes and 20 daily operators. 100% integration with ERP.





Assemble Base

***Can prep arm assembly ahead of time for installation later - NOTE LEFT/RIGHT ASSEMBLY.

***Hinges (cutting) and counter tops need special prep work as well - (drilling), (fastener prep), and (install #1) (install #2).

Assemble JP209-094, JP209-081 and JP209-088 with drawer slides UO136-3002 and UO136-576 as shown.

Utilize (2) U0136-295 rivets at back corner each side (green arrows).

Then use (2) U0136-137 rivets each side at front (yellow arrows).

Slides should be flush at purple arrows, and yellow locking lever on U0136-3002 should function downward.

Add JP209-083 and JP209-089 brackets to drawer slides.

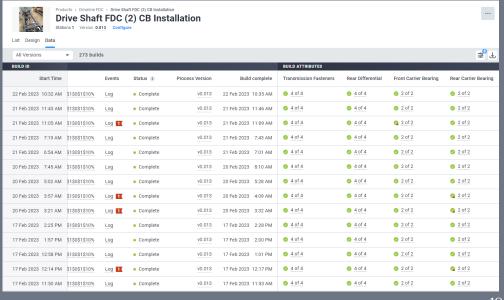
Add drawer slides U0136-576 and U0136-3002.

Full Traceability

- limits risk exposure while enabling high-volume scaling
- Easily enables tooling application from any vendor to apply the best tool for the job, while still giving the operators a single seamless interface all integrated with our ERP system.
- Nothing advances without properly torqued fasteners full backwards traceability.

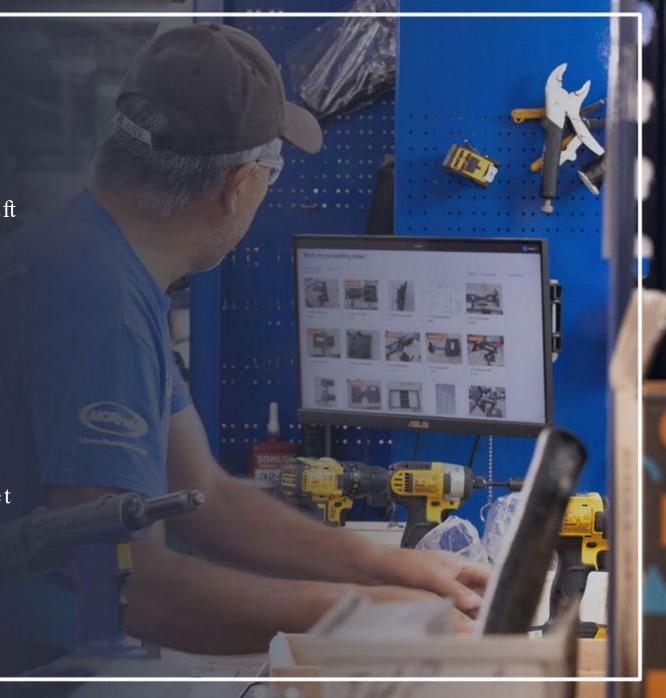
New product launch with full build data record enabled final design validation & elimination of field issue risk





Results

- Over 2,400 chassis modified with zero drive shaft issues
- Easy identification of top 10% of assemblies with rate discrepancies
- Measurable 50% increase in production output.
- Full backwards traceability with all torque connected tooling for independent suspension axle assembly and chassis modification
- Fully integrated, versatile, quality solution at the ready in our toolbelt essentially the silver bullet for whatever ugly monster we encounter.



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