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“Trends in equipment automation and control”
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Crane automation - status

- *ECT, Rotterdam (137 ASCs)*
 - **PSA, Singapore (35 OHBCs)**
 - **HHLA/CTA, Hamburg (52 ASCs)**
 - **Evergreen, Kaohsiung (6 auto CRMGs)**
 - APMT, Virginia (30 ASCs)
 - **Euromax, Rotterdam (12 QC +58 ASCs)**
 - Antwerp Gateway (14 ASCs)
 - **Hanjin/Busan (12 QC + 42 auto CRMGs)**
 - **PNC/Busan (7 QC + 31 auto CRMGs)**
 - **TPCT/Taipei (20 auto CRMGs)**
 - Patricks/Brisbane (23 auto strads)
- In operation sofar
this year

Together >500 automatic cranes

CTA, Hamburg - overview



52 auto RMG - 10 wide - 1 over 4/5

EUROMAX, Rotterdam – Yard Area From Waterside



EUROMAX, Rotterdam – First commercial vessel



Hanjin, Busan – Overview quay and yard operations



Hanjin, Busan – stacking precision



TPCT – Taipei New Port



Automation – looking forward

- On-going projects
 - Hanjin/Algeciras (32 ASCs)
 - YML/Kaohsiung (22 auto RMGs)
 - A large number of projects underway in all parts of the world – London, Barcelona, Busan...
 - Gate automation using OCR
 - RFID confirming vehicles
 - QC automation supporting the operator
- “All” green field projects today are implementing automation when checking/handling containers and vehicles**

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Delivery time for yard automation

Project	Suppliers	#	Months																														Comment		
Kaohsiung	ABB/Chin-Pan	6	█														14																	Chassis	
PNC,Busan	ABB/ZPMC	31	█																			19												Chassis	
CTA/Hamburg	ABB/Kunz	22	█																						22									AGVs	
Hanjin,Busan	ABB/ZPMC	42	█																							23								Chassis	
Taipei	ABB/ZPMC	40	█																										26					Chassis	
Virginia	other	30	█																											30				ShCs	
Rotterdam	ABB/ZPMC	58	█																												█			35	AGVs,TOS

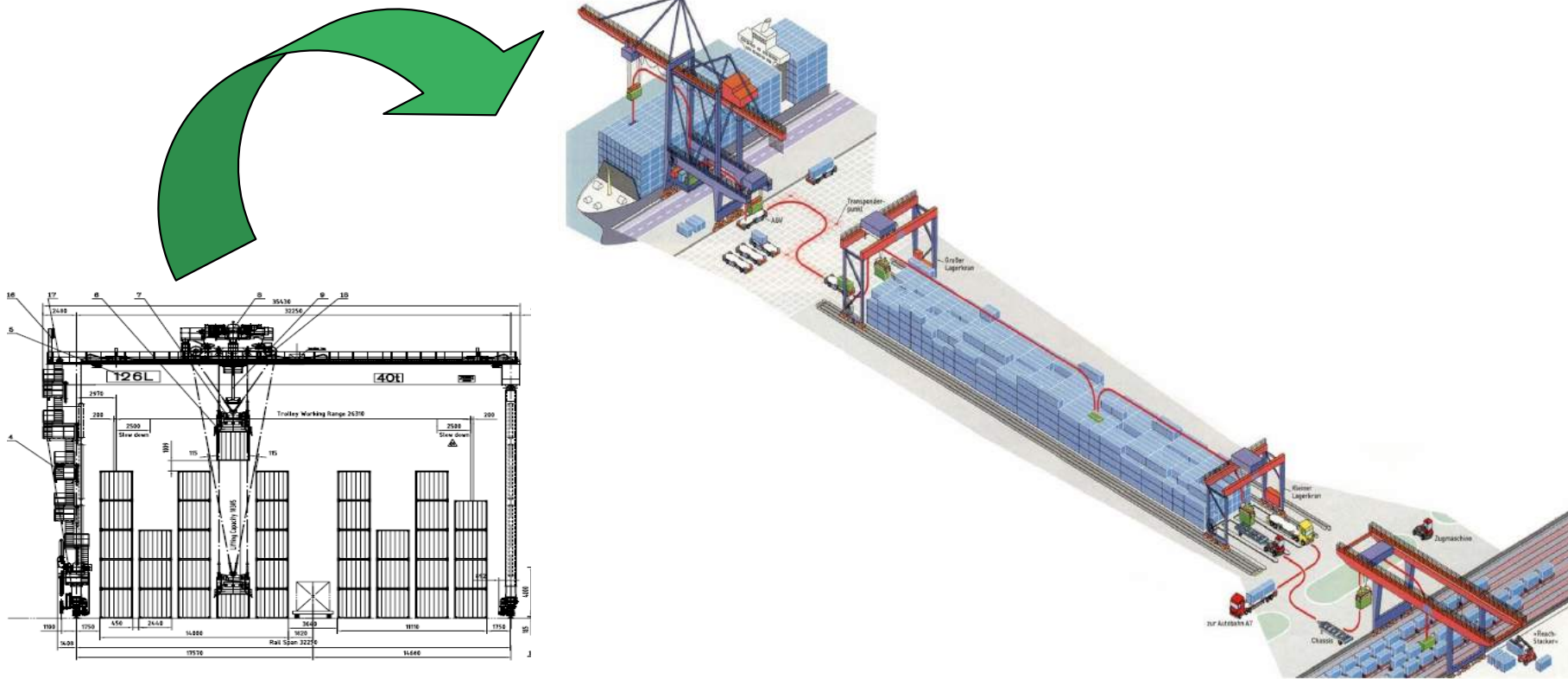
Automatic stacking can be introduced fast!
 Number of cranes, number of systems to be integrated and new systems are influential factors.

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Technology trends - ASCs

- From crane to the provision of a functioning block with interfaces

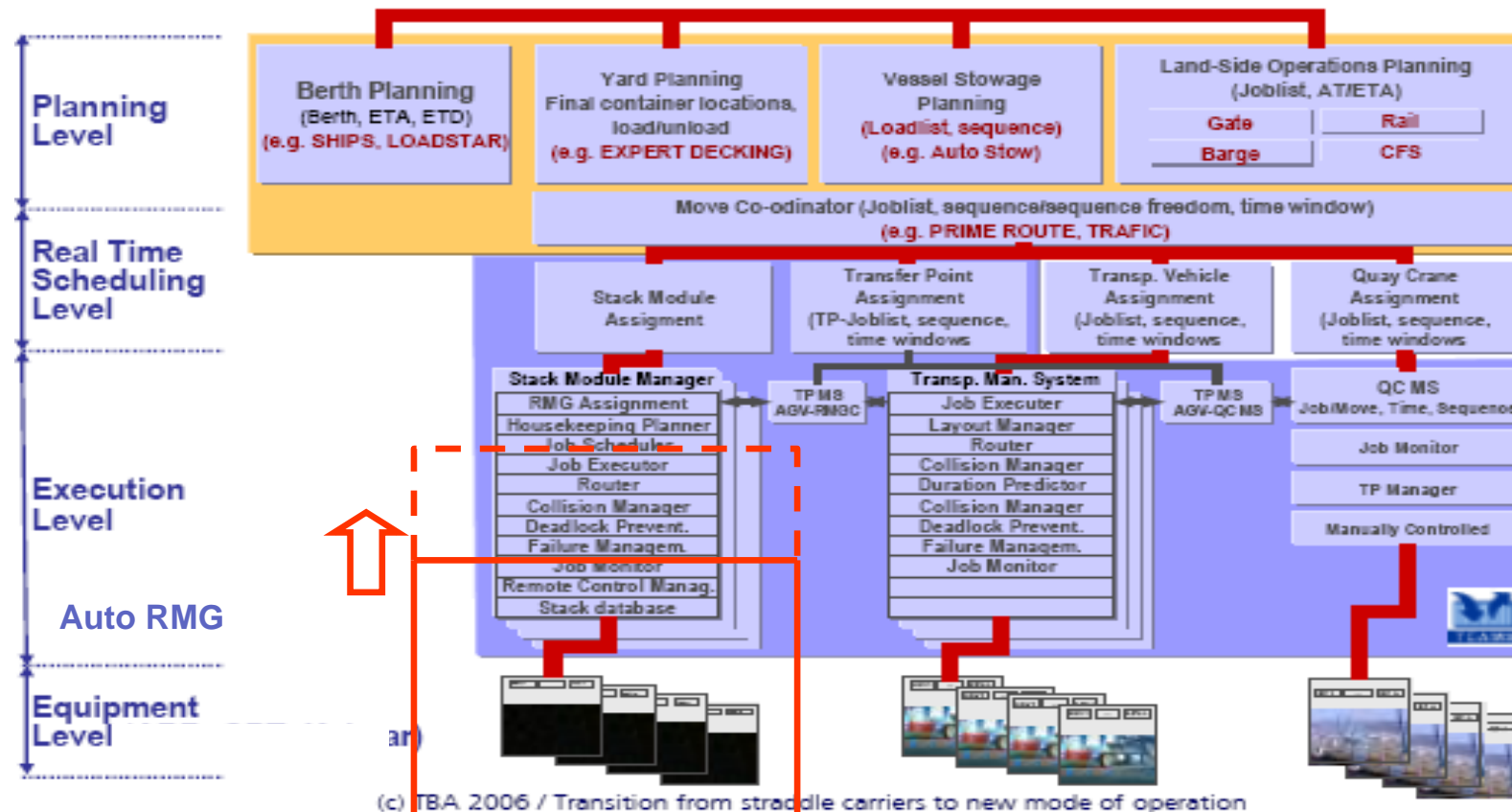


Technology trends – interfacing vehicles

- Decoupling horizontal transports



Technology trends - TOS

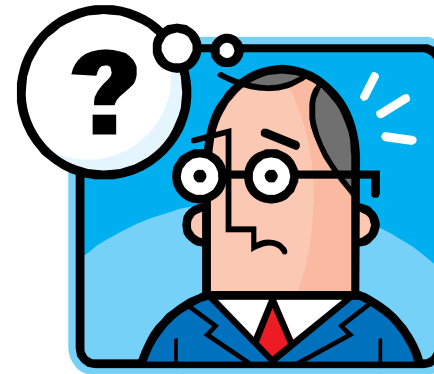
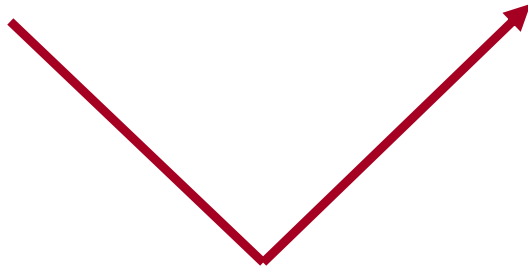


- more suppliers
- more flexible interface TOS/crane

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Down – turn



Think long term...!

Vision

Some time in the (near) future ships will be unloaded/loaded with handling speeds approaching the technical capacity of the quay cranes – supported by electrically driven vehicles and ASCs!

But how to get there?

- 1. Automate the quay crane**
- 2. Introduce automatic twist-locks**
- 3. Remove lashing operations**
- 4. Move in steps..**
- 5. Verify progress**

STS Automation building blocks (ACLAS)

- Ship Profiling System (SPS)
 - Generates a height profile of a vessel.
 - Provides the optimum safe path for the ELC.
- Electronic Load Control (ELC)
 - Sway and position control
 - Automated travel cycles between any selected positions on vessel and quay following an optimal safe path and accurate positioning
- Chassis/Straddle Carrier Alignment System (CAS/SCAS)
 - Guides the vehicle driver to stop in position aligned with crane
- Skew Control
 - Controls the skew pendulum during the whole cycle.
 - If used with a CAS, the skew angle of the container will be adjusted to align with the skew of the chassis.
- Automatic landing system
- Automated twist-locks and removal of same

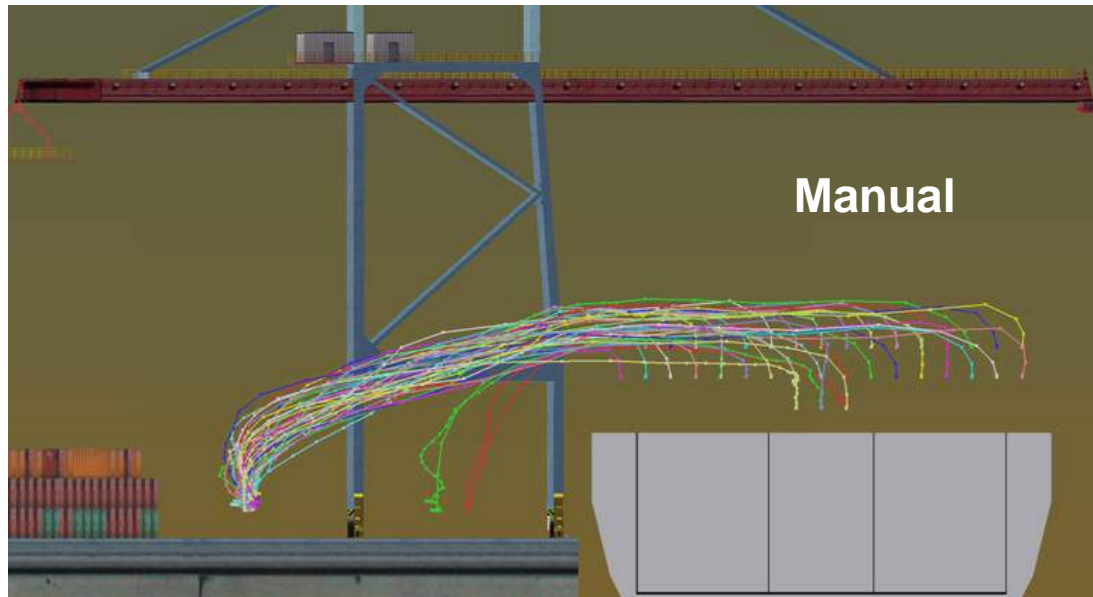
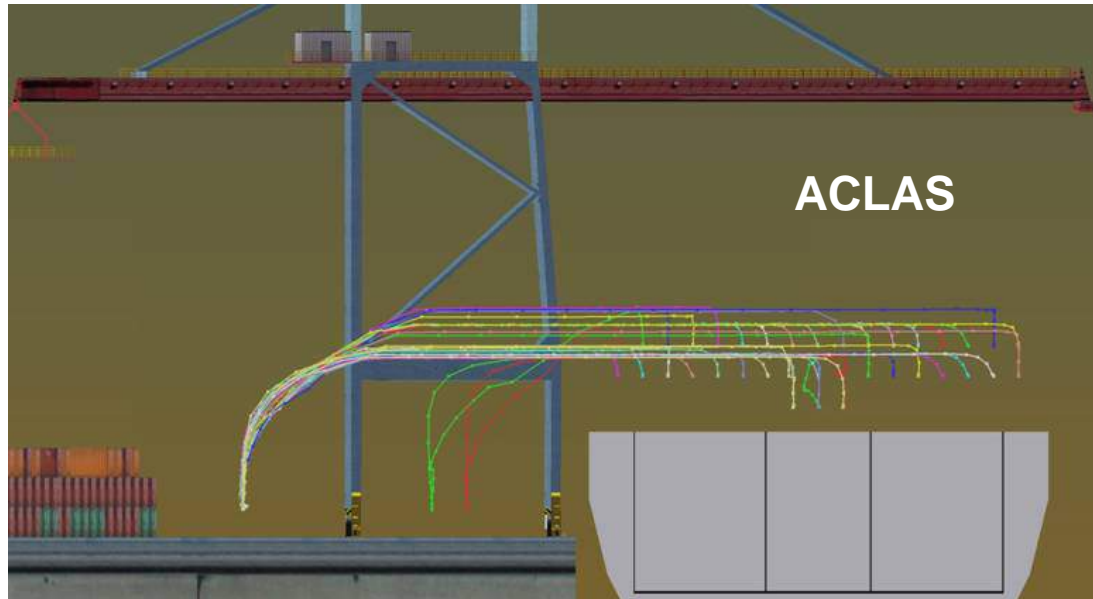
Remote operations - Key Benefits



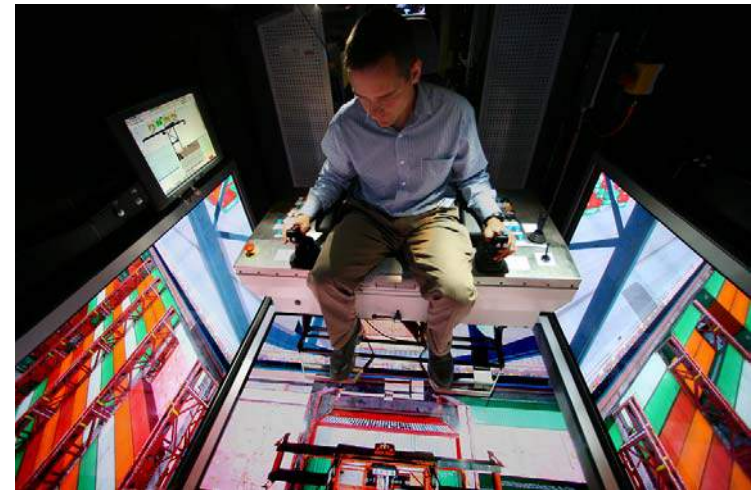
- Faster – shorter ramps, higher speeds
- Better ergonomics
- Less noise for the driver
- Improved visibility
- Faster change of drivers

Higher productivity and safer operations

Productivity test – one ship bay



- Skilled operator versus ACLAS



Optimizing the benefits of crane automation

Your robot cells!



Optimizing the benefits of crane automation

Each crane robot cell shall include:

- Access control and safety functions
- Vehicle detection
- Vehicle positioning
- Vehicle identification
- Remote control
- Centralized maintenance/operations control and analysis
- Optimum sequencing of cranes in same block
- Logistic interface

Summary & Conclusion

- Think long-term!
 - 10 000+ TEU ships the standard
 - Ability to handle these with high productivity and low operational cost will be crucial
- Yard automation is today a proven technology – quay crane will soon be there
- The investment in automation will in many cases be only marginally higher compared to manually operated alternatives due to savings in civil works and reduced number of cranes - > short RoI
- Optimize the design – build upon the automation experience!

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