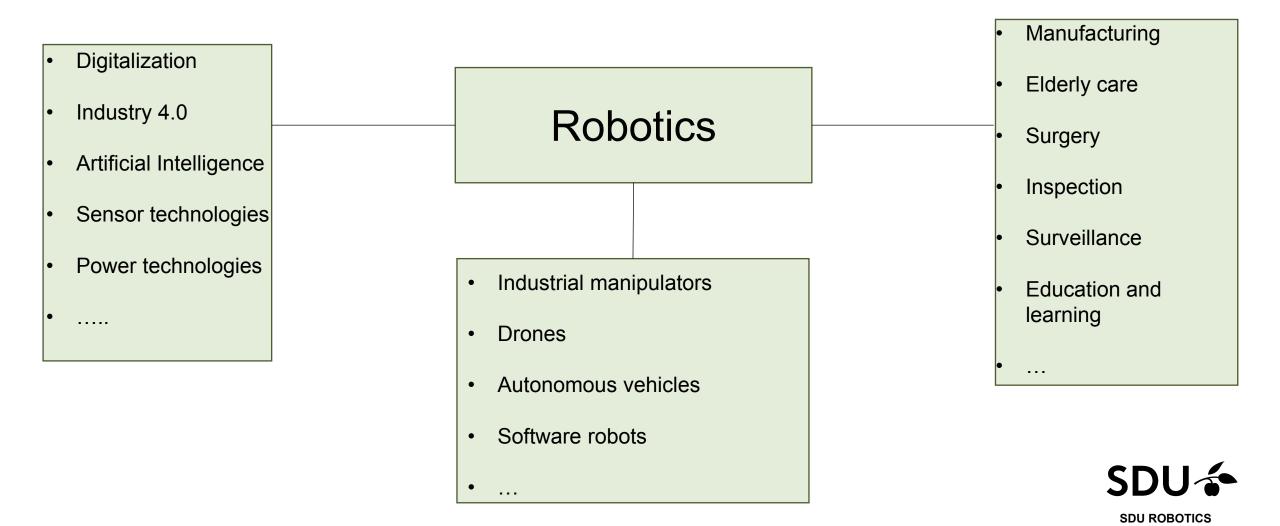




## Robotics is a central driving force





**SDU ROBOTICS** 

Dedicated technology

# Robotics in Odense: Education is a potential bottleneck for the development

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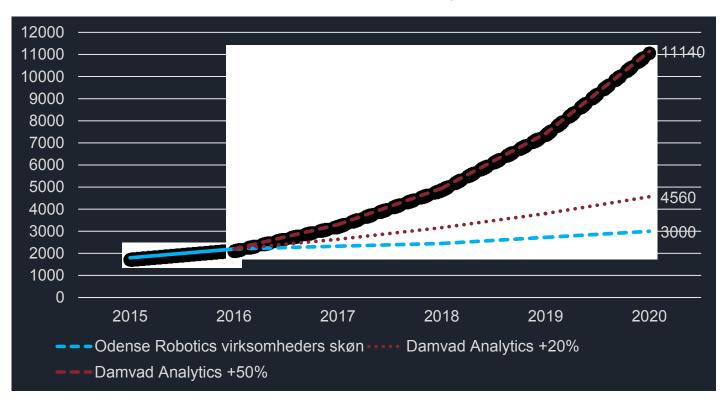
- 72 virksomheder
- 1800 medarbejdere

#### Primo 2016:

- 85 virksomheder
- 2200 medarbejdere

#### Primo 2017:

- 102 virksomheder
- 2600 medarbejdere





# Integrating industry and academia: Manufacturing Academy of Denmark (MADE)

	Rapid Product & Production Development	Model Based Production	Complexity Management
Value Chain & Business Systems	High speed product development	Model based supply chain development	The "new" Manufacturing Paradigm
Integrated Production Systems	Modular production platforms for high speed ramp-up	Digitalization of supply chains	Hyper flexible automation
Enabling Technologies	3D print and new production processes	Lifelong product customization	Sensors and quality control



# Current and future trends in research and development

R&D in a variety of niches within various domains such as

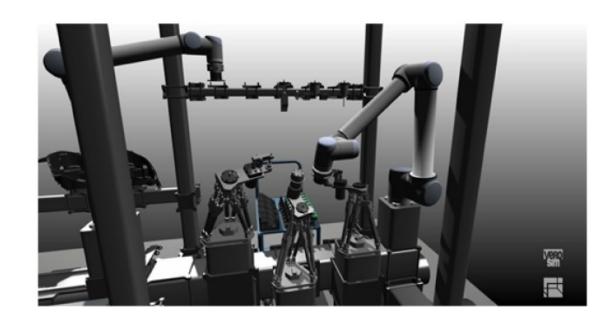
- Trajectory planning/robot programming
- Process models
- Sensor technologies
- Artificial intelligence
- Human-robot interactions
- ...

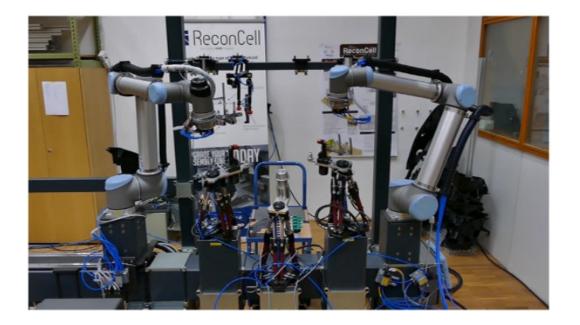
Important shift of method: Increase of development in virtual environments that becomes more and more realistic (digital twin)



## Programming and testing in virtual environments

### **Example from one of our European projects**







## Opportunities for Robotics in Denmark through market pull

#### Manufacturing:

- high quality demands that are only achievable through automation
- low batch sizes, rapid changes, small facilities
- requiring cost effective solutions that will often be first on the market
- requiring robots that can be handled by unskilled workers (easy programming)

### Welfare/elderly care (domestic robots):

- Lack of people and time for performing the tasks
- Many tasks (even personal) are more suitable for robots
- Leave time for socializing with the elderly people



## **Threats**

- Education bottlenecks
- Conservatism among technology providers
  - "Just wait for Germany to develop the technology"
  - "The technology is already there" (just too expensive ©)
- Too restrictive safety regulations or major accidents (human robot collaboration)
- Some politicians will mislead the population (in Danish manufacturing, robots create jobs)
- Not enough funding for R&D
- Ownership of manufacturing (and other automated) facilities



## The future

- Tedious work will be taken over by robots or by human-robot collaboration
- Denmark is a key player in the providing of robot technologies
- Danish manufacturing will stay competitive
- Societal challenges have been resolved (education, safety, public opinion, etc.)
- More life quality

