Automate Your Warehouse: Advancements In Lift Truck Technology

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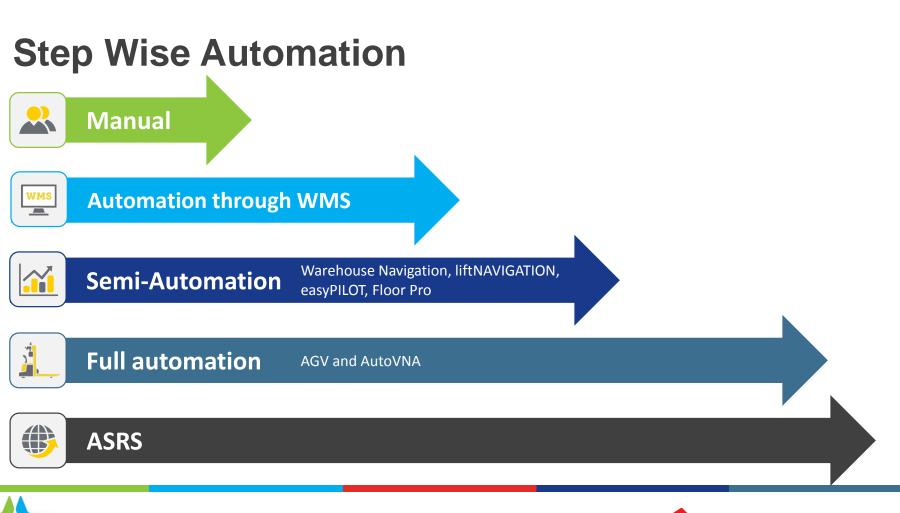
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Introduction



Jungheinrich

- Drawing on a balanced portfolio of material handling equipment, logistics systems and services, Jungheinrich offers its customers comprehensive solutions from a one-stop shop.
- Established 1953, global presence, approx. 15,000 employees, 3 billion euros in net sales.



Dr. Kai Beckhaus

- University Diploma in Computer science and economics
- Doctoral degree in engineering
- Programmed the award winning and best seller MHE middleware "Logistics Interface"







Manual Operation











VNA Assistance Systems







Typical challenges with manual operation that indicate need for assistance systems:

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VNA Driving Assistance

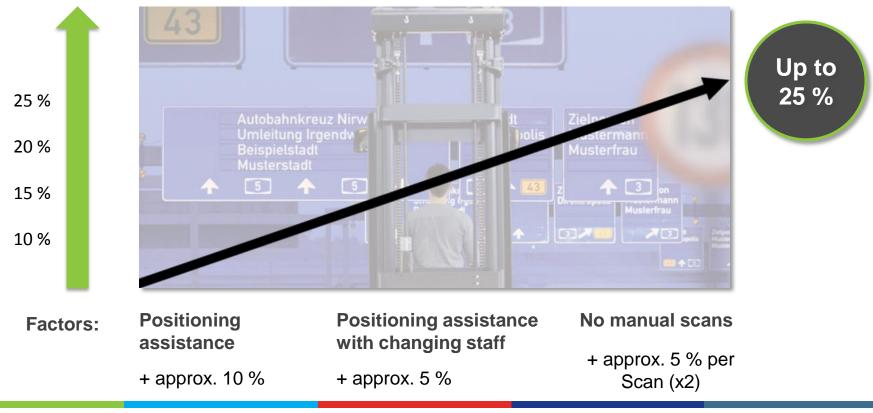
- Operator gives impulse to start driving and lifting
- Truck travels semi-automatically to its destination
- Vehicle location via RFID in the floor







Typical Efficiency Increase by VNA Driving Assistance









VNA Driving Assistance – Calculation Example:

Efficiency Increase	10 %	20 %
Working cycles per year without warehouse navigation	40,000	40,000
Working cycles per year with warehouse navigation	44,000	48,000
Costs per working cycles without warehouse navigation	2.30\$	2.30\$
Costs per working cycles with warehouse navigation	2.10\$	1.92 \$
Savings per Year	7,731 \$	16,791 \$







Video Warehouse Navigation





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"Warehouse Navigation" References

Worldwide Project Figures (as of 12/2016)

- Sites in operation > 430
- Trucks in operation > 1,400
- In 37 countries on 6 continents
- Trucks in operation N.A. > 40









- First vendors tackle the top challenge of uneven floors.
- Trucks operating in heights above 55 ft handling 2,200 lbs require a super flat floor.
- Newest technological trend is an innovative damping system to reduce mast movements to the side
- Increases safety and allows for higher driving speeds on uneven floors
- Reduce wear and tear on all components
- Opens new fields of application for VNA trucks







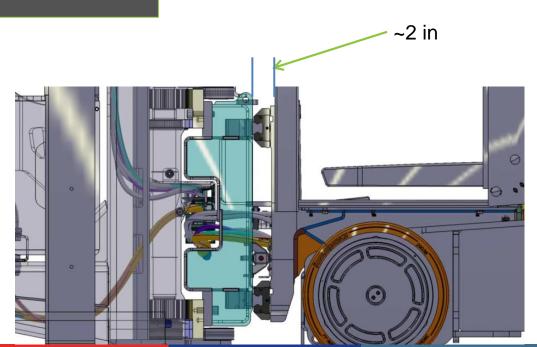




Example for a technical solution to the problem:

Hydraulic Compensation of Floor Unevenness



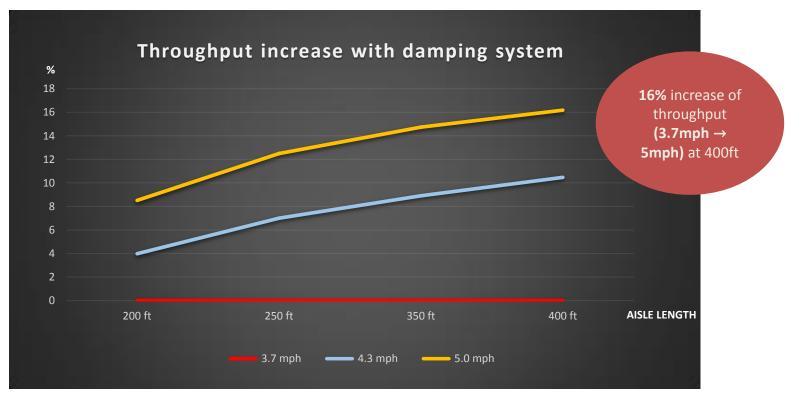








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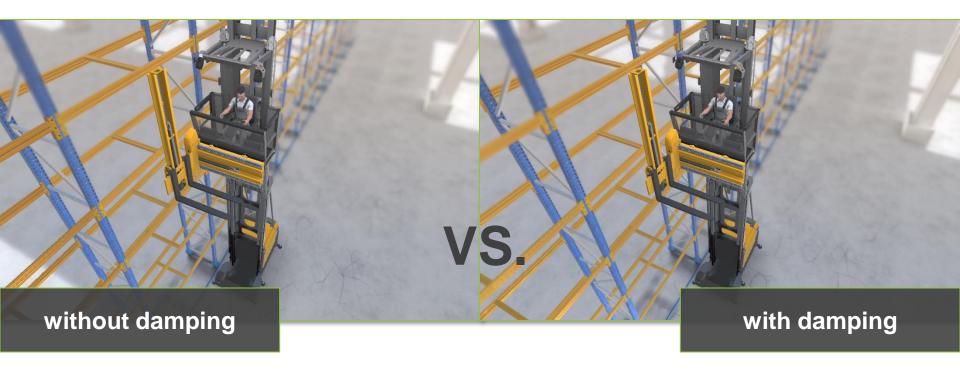
How to read the graph: With floor unevenness and w/o damping system, speed needs to be capped at 3.7mph. The damping system allows travel @ 4.3 or 5mph, leading to the stated throughput increase. Calculations/measurements are based on 33 ft top-beam in a turret truck application.







Video to Demonstrate the Technological Improvement

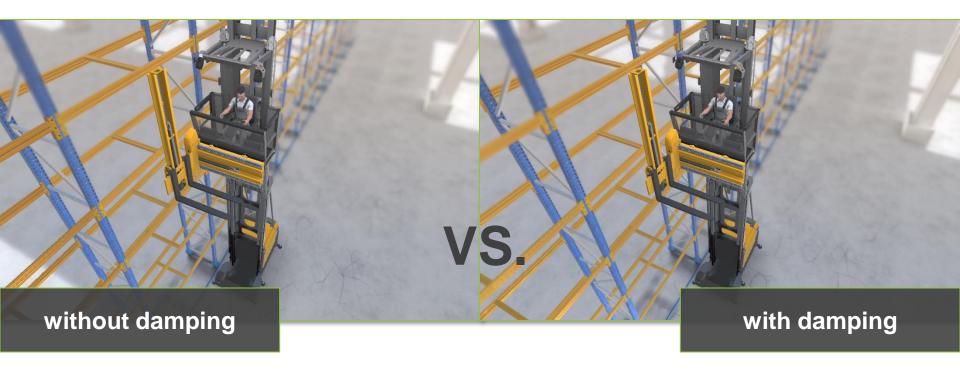








Video to Demonstrate the Technological Improvement











Height Pre-Selection







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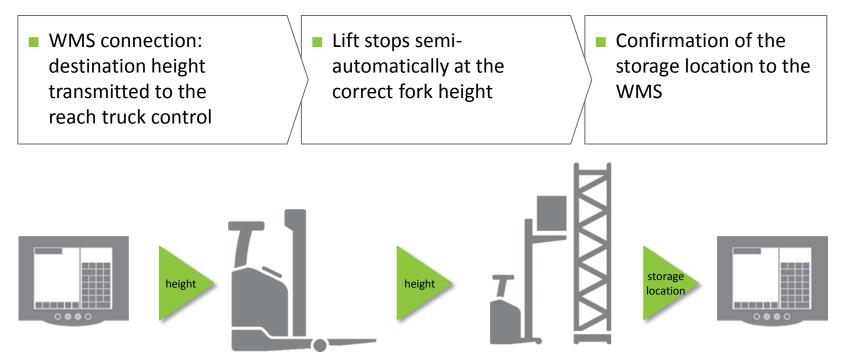
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State of the Art Reach Truck Assistance System: Height Pre-Selection











Project Description

- adp Gauselmann GmbH, Germany
- ETV 312 reach truck
- Height pre-selection
- Logistics Interface connects to customer specific WMS

Key Benefits

- Increase in productivity
- More process safety
- More operator comfort and ergonomics









Remote Controlled Picking

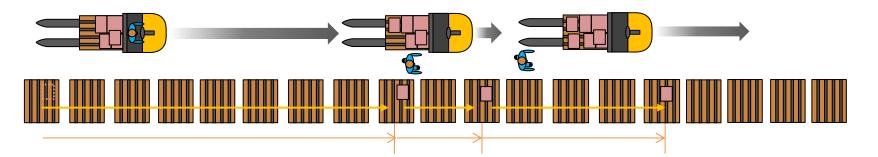








How can automation increase picking performance and workers' comfort?



Long distances.

Normal driving with ride-on operation

Short distances.

Side attached driving buttons

Middle distances.

Remote control operation

Full concentration on

order picking process

"to push the MHE

forward"

Higher efficiency by semi-automation and relief for operators



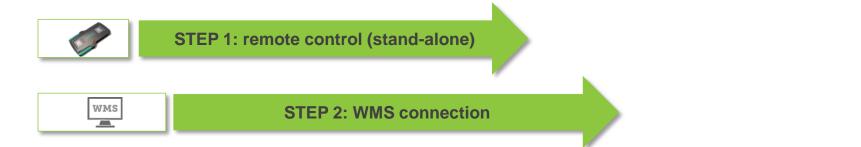




Can the automation level increase through the Internet of Things?

WMS connection of remote control

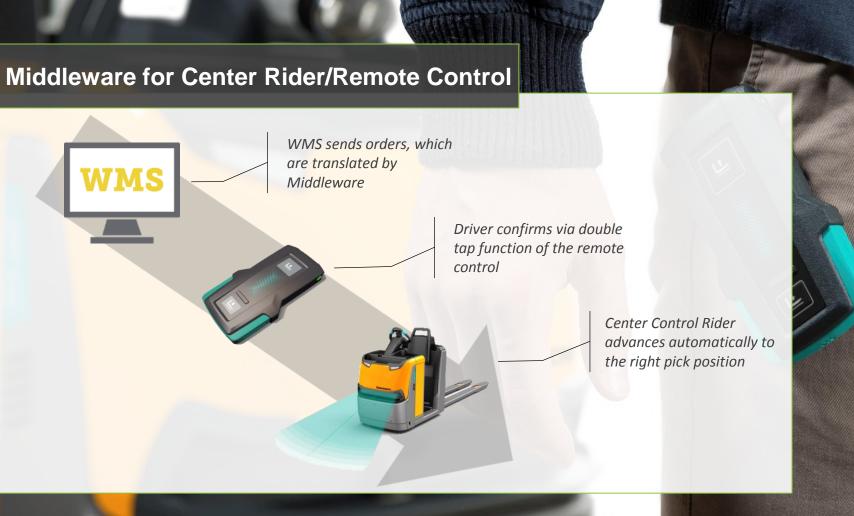
- Newest technology enables connection of remote control to a Warehouse-Management-System (WMS)
- Middleware as communication center between WMS and Pallet Truck

















Remote Control – Efficiency Measurements*



- Between 12.7 % and 30 % productivity improvement
- Elimination of walking distances increases efficiency
- Reduced energy consumption per pick of approx. 16% per pick

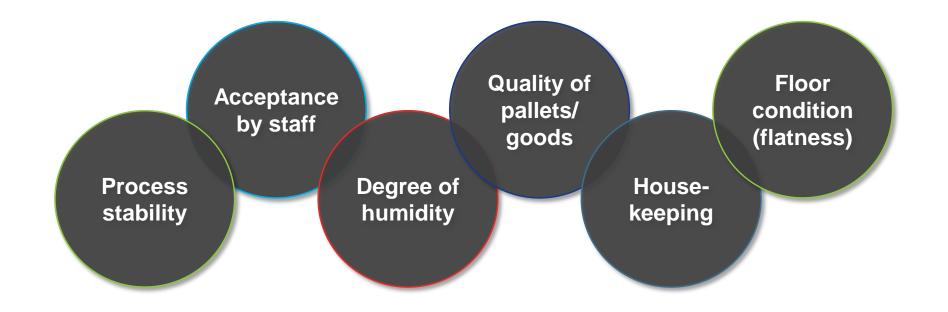


* source: Theo Egberts (2016): Pick by tap (f+h 9/2016)





...requirements for full automation...









Discussion: Automatic vs. autonomous trucks



















AutoVNA

Can AGVs operate in Very Narrow Aisles?











AutoVNA



Project Description

- Coko-Werk GmbH & Co. KG, Germany
- JH Warehouse Control System (WCS)
- Automation of narrow aisle warehouse
- 3 x high-rack stacker ETX 515a

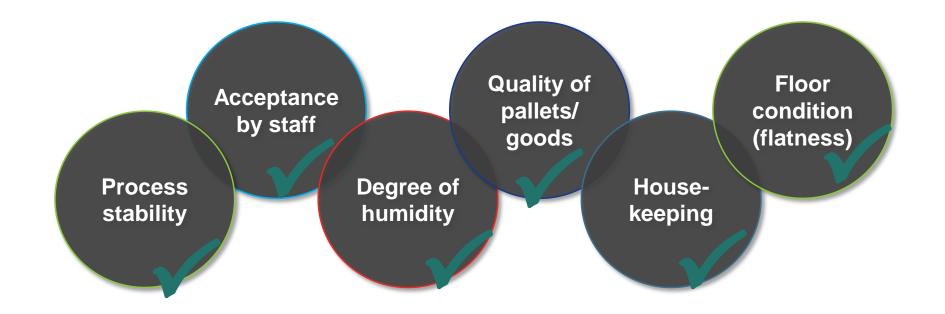
Key Benefits

- Efficiency boost
- Reduced energy consumption
- Increased overall availability
- Reduced wear









What's the next step, if requirements are fulfilled?







Which data makes an enquiry a good one?

- Floor spec., grades / inclines / ramps
- Environment, temperature, humidity etc.
- Floor layout, travel routes, lifts/elevators, door clearance, stations (height, spaces, rack space, ...)
- Transported materials, overhangs, load unit details
- Transport matrix, working hours / shifts (incl. breaks), peaks
- Way of order generation, interfaces to software or stationary hardware like sensors, PLCs, fire doors

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