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MAGNETIC
BEARINGS**

AMB Industry Trends, Challenges and Opportunities

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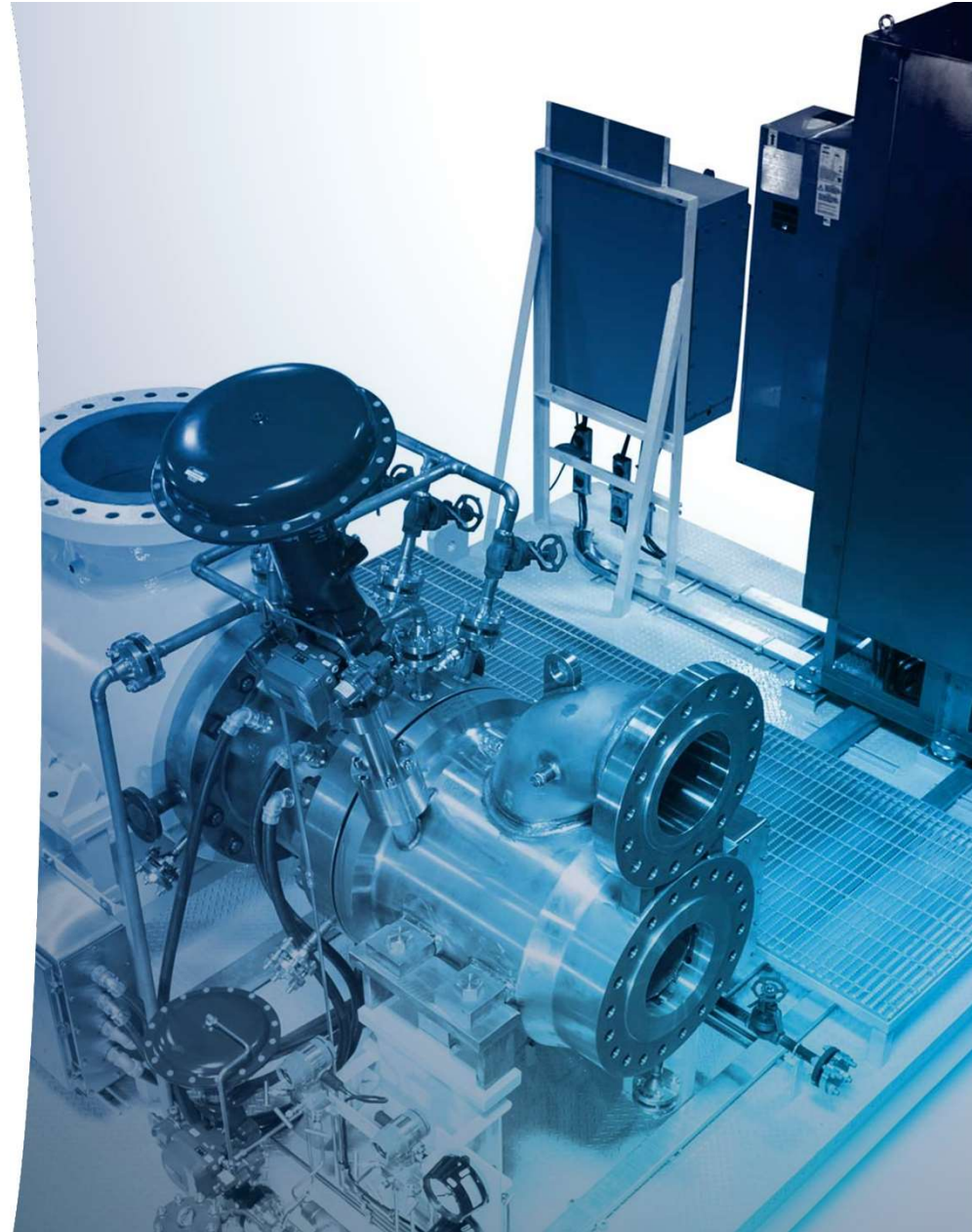


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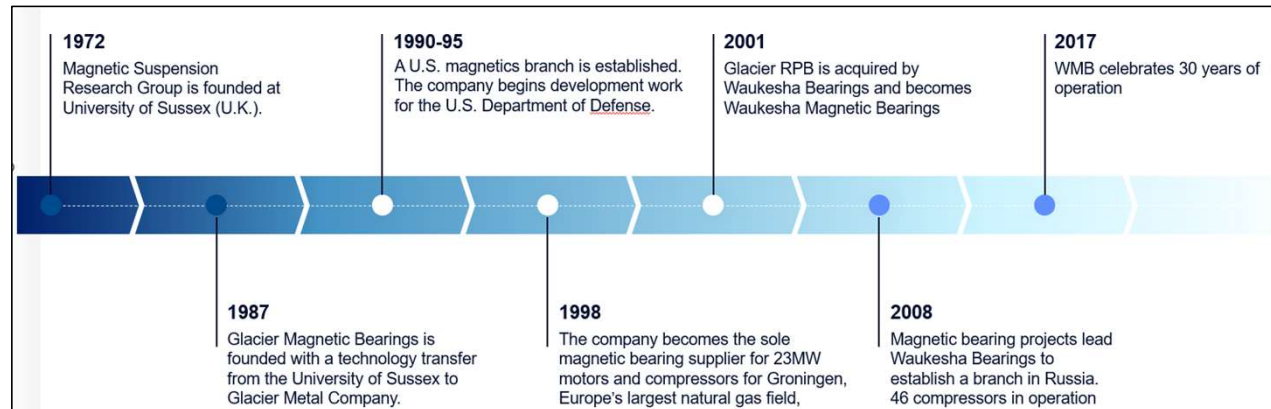
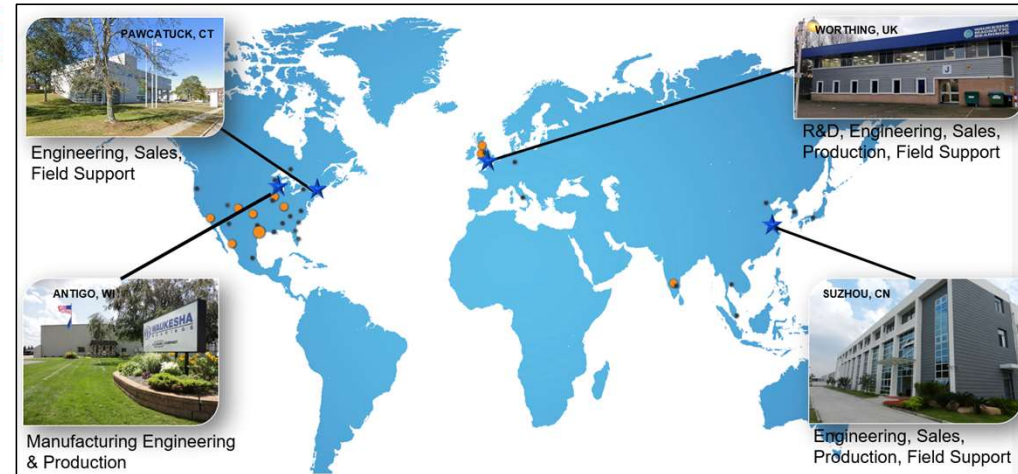


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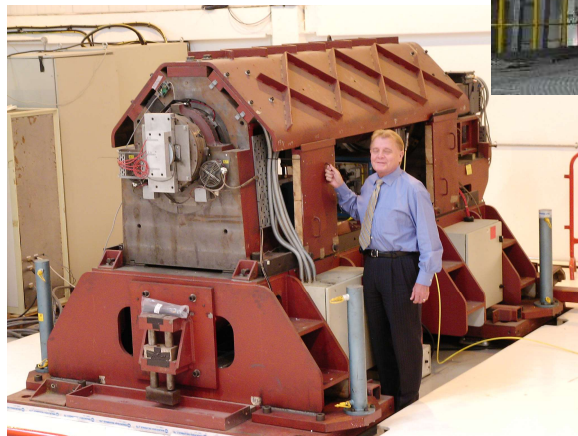
Who is Waukesha Bearings?



Why this talk? (Personal reflections)

Exciting toys!

Natural Gas Pipeline
Compressor



1.5 tonne AMB test rig

Smart people across a wide range of engineering!



Why this talk? (cont.)

It comes with a smile

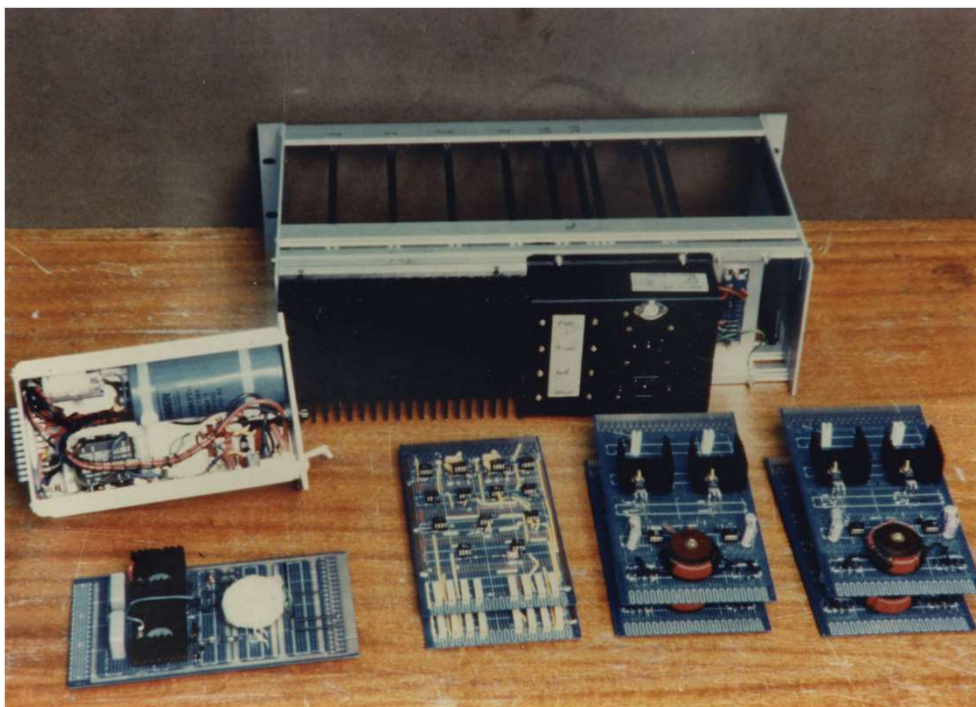


“What we do is magic”



Why this talk? (cont.)

Original University Controller (circa 1987)



Industrial Controller (circa 1992)

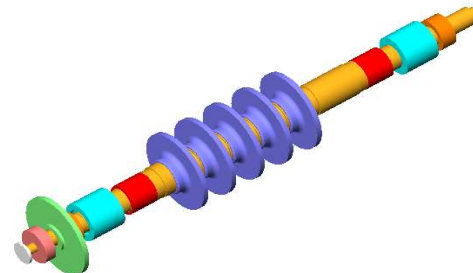
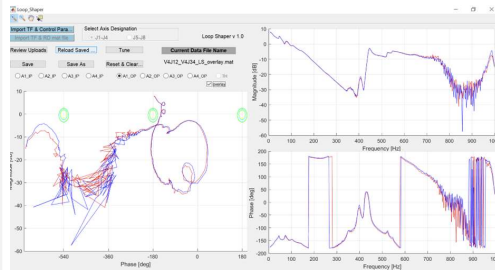


Core Technologies (competencies)

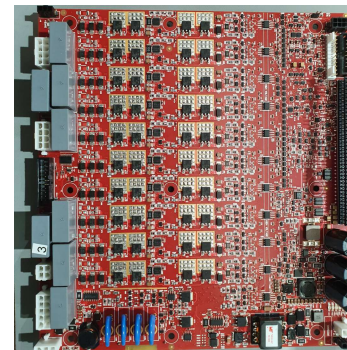
Mechanical



Rotor Dynamics and Control



Electronics & Electrical

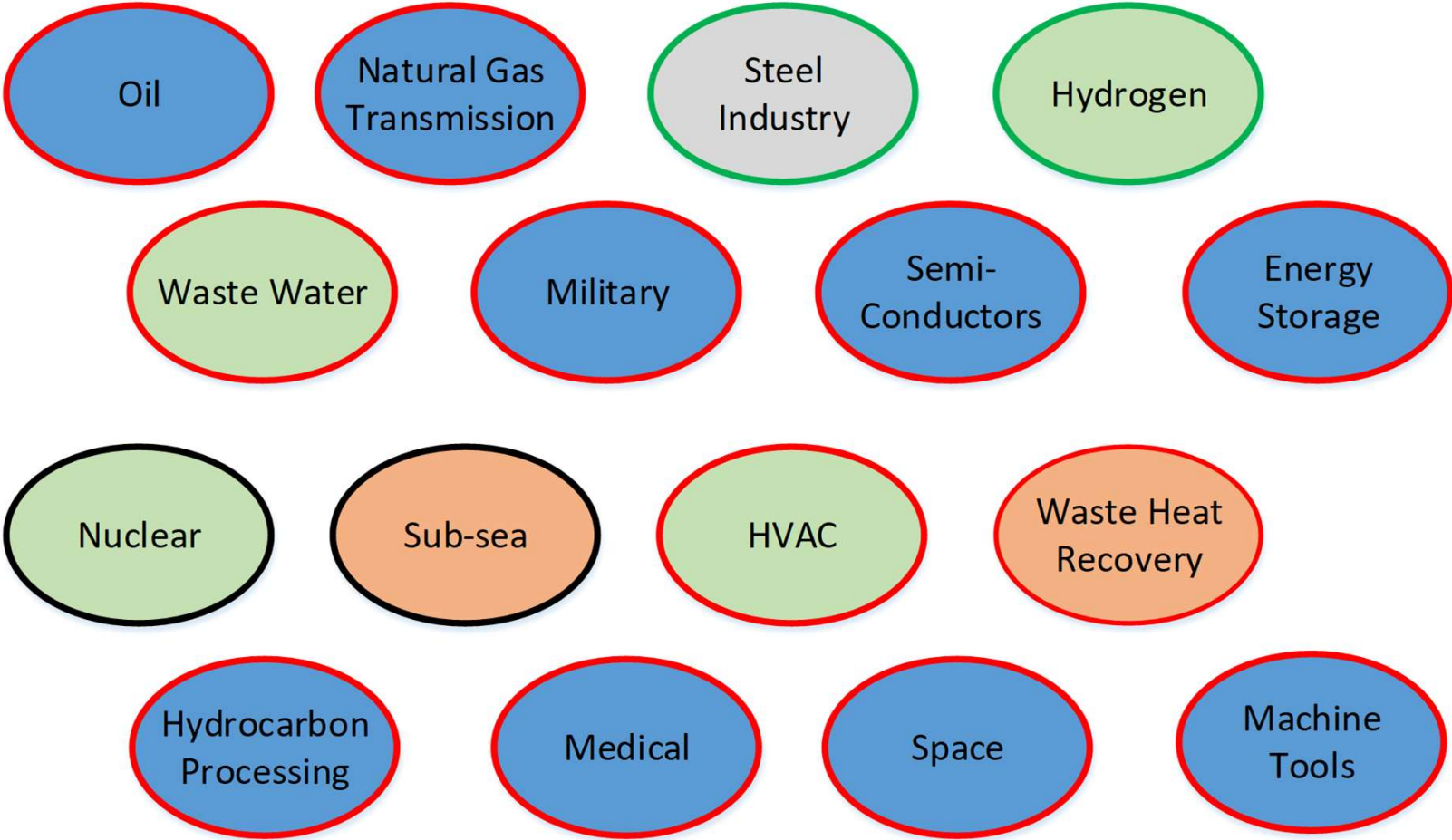


Embedded Software

System Summary									
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What a range of applications!



- Mature Technology
- Qualified Technology
- Prototype Technology
- Mature Market
- Fast Growth Market
- Slow Growth Market
- Declining Market

Unfulfilled Potential?

Rolling Element Market



Fluid Film Market

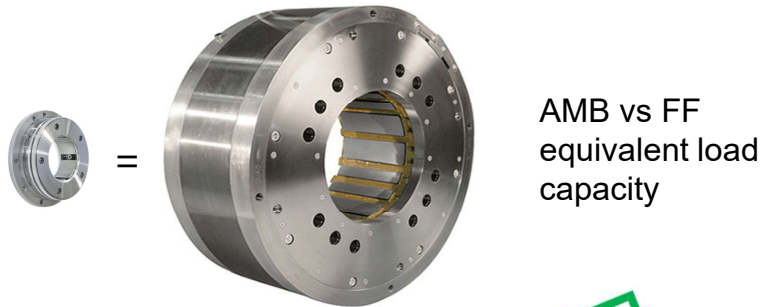


AMB Market



Why the false starts?

Inherent factors



Custom Engineering =

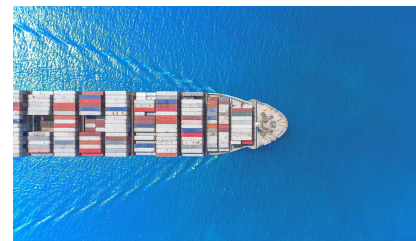
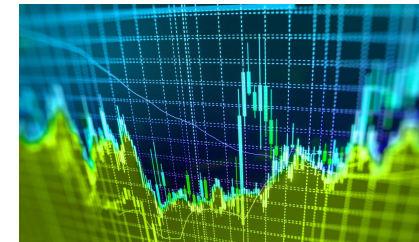


Diverse skills requirement

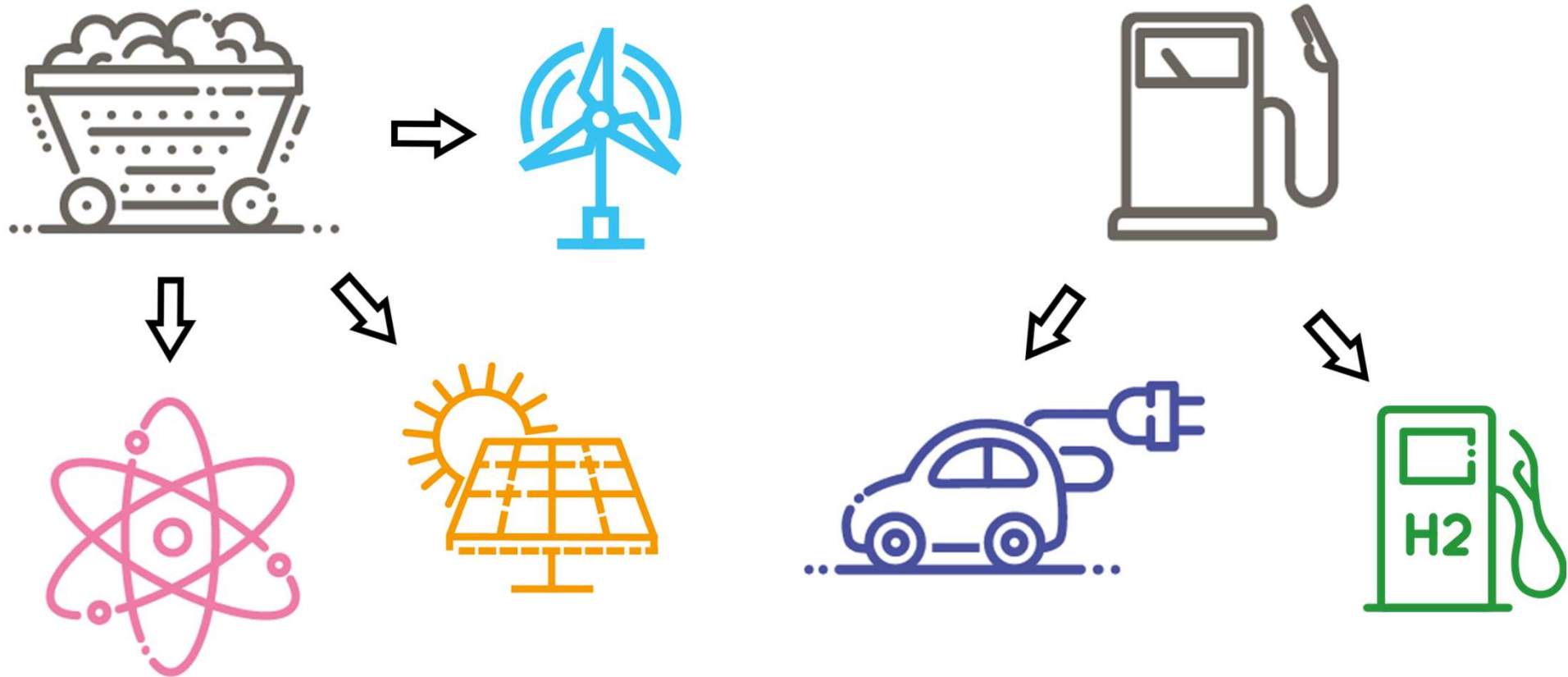


External factors

- Compliance Concerns
- Global Economy
- Supply Chain
- Competition for Skilled Labour



Net Zero Objectives for key industries



AMB contribution towards net zero

How AMBs Can Contribute

- Improved efficiency of existing machines and systems
- Enabling of new technologies
- Carbon capture and sequestration

High Efficiency HVAC Centrifugal Compressor



CO2 Re-Injection Centrifugal Compressor



Nuclear

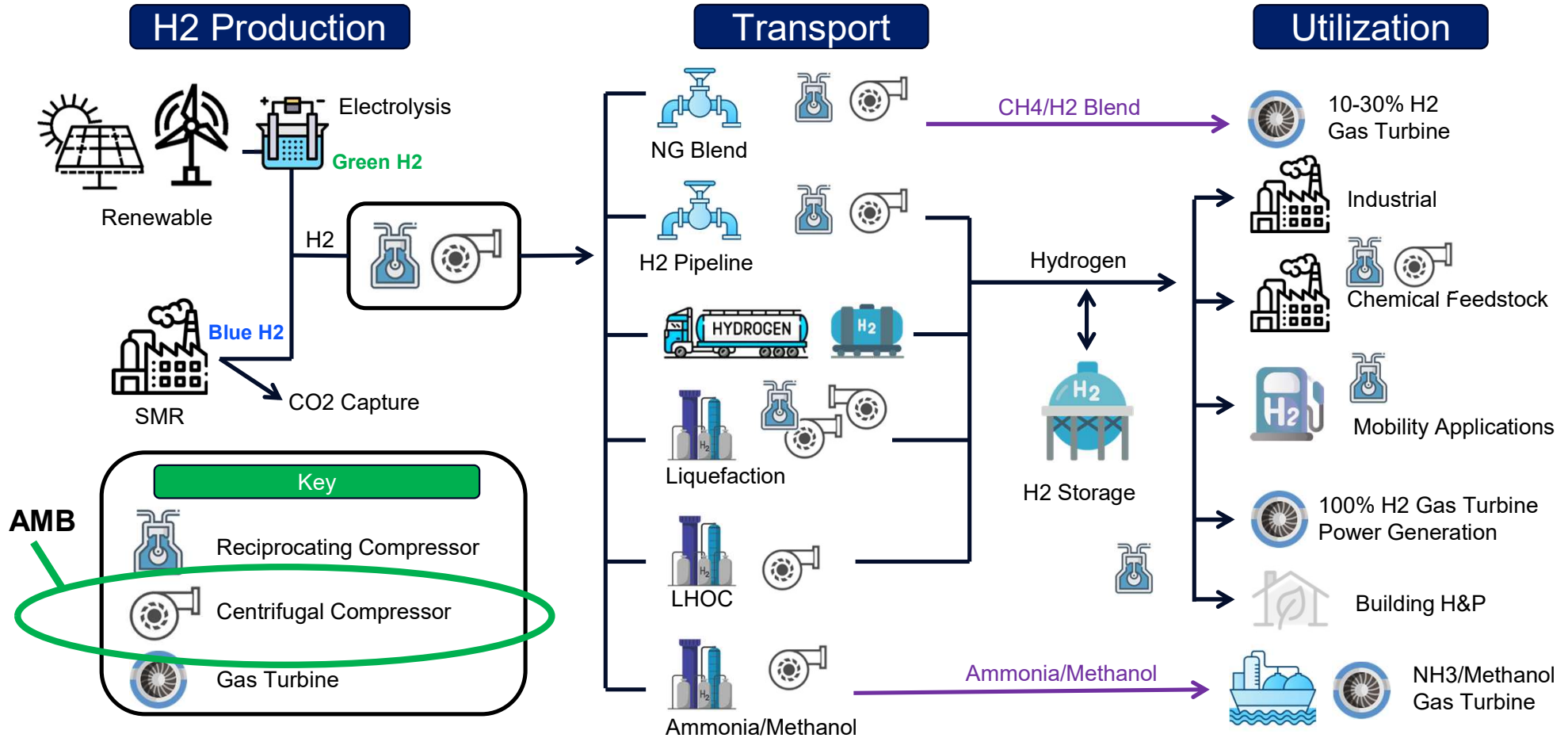
Fuel Ball Blower



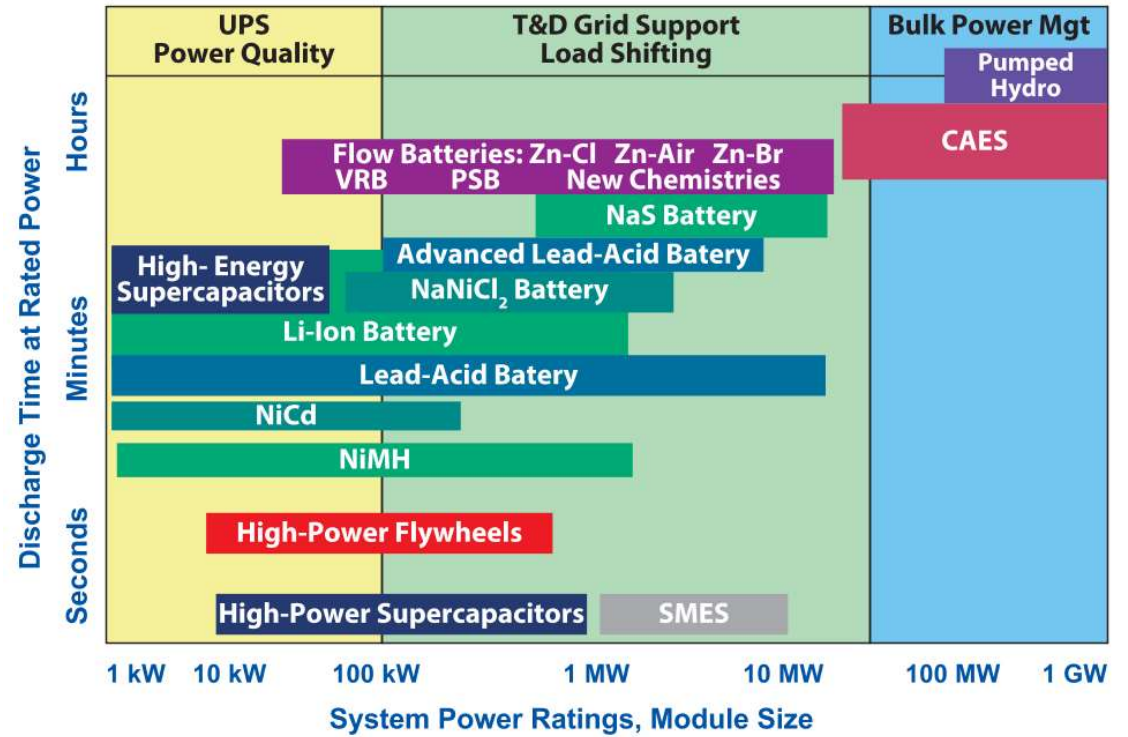
Helium circulator



Hydrogen



Flywheels



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How can we support those industries?



- Controller & Sensor Technology for very high speed machines
- Efficient Implementation of existing Nuclear technology
- Innovative designs for challenging H2 rotor-dynamics
- Materials for H2

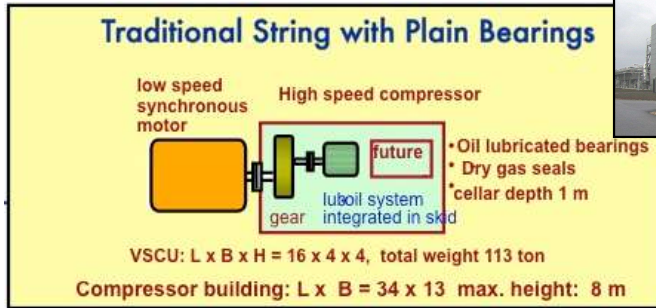


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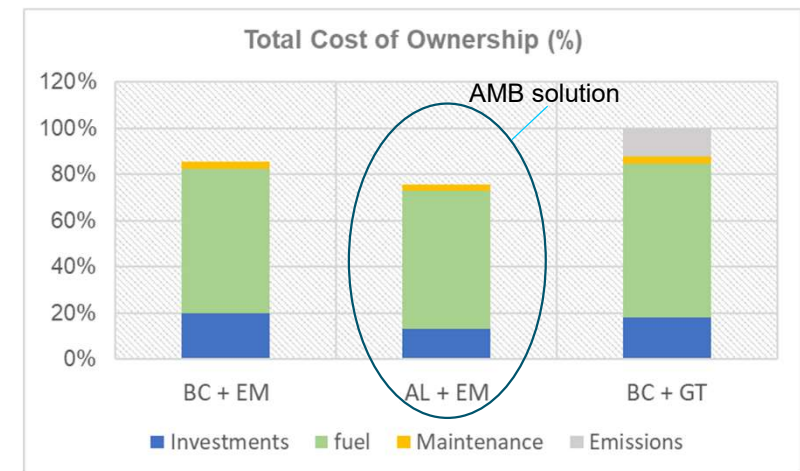
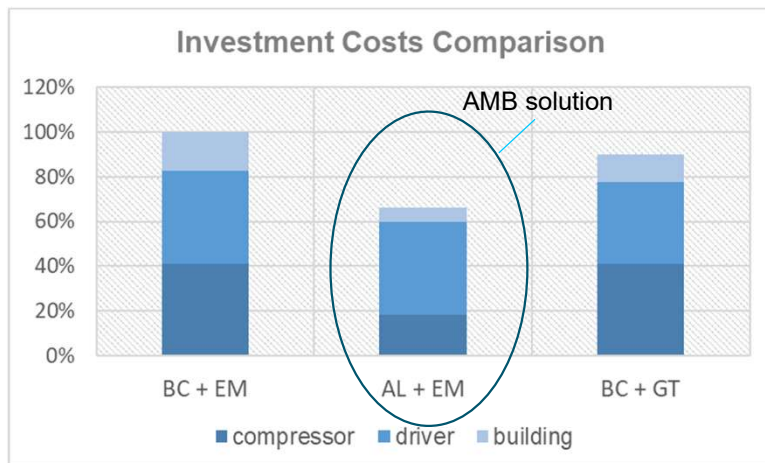
Price / Technology?



Compressor Building



Compressor without Building



Retrofits / Life Extension

Retrofit Considerations

- **Sensor Compatibility**
- **Amplifier voltage**
- **Magnet current**
- **Field Cable re-use – yes/no**
- **Customer Logic Interface**
- **Input Power systems**
- **Footprint**

WMB -> WMB Retrofit (2017)



Competitor -> WMB retrofit (2022)



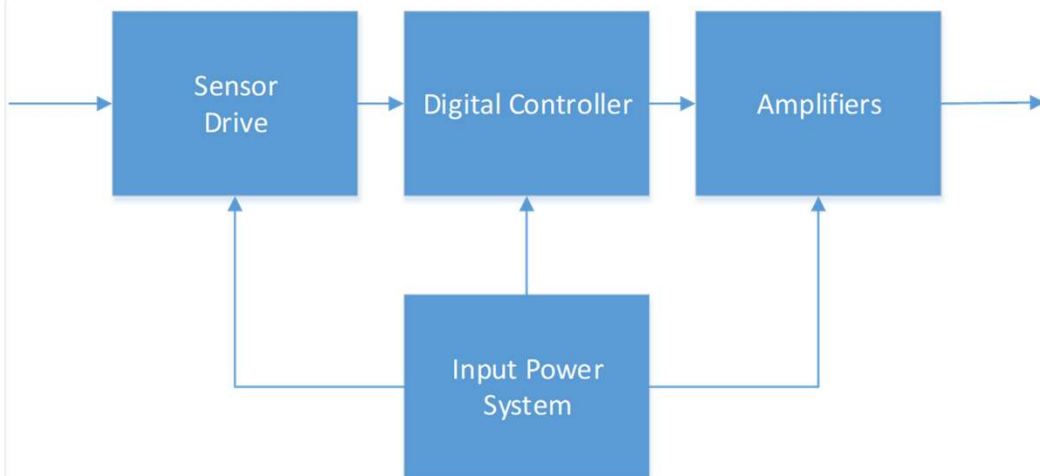
What happened to IIoT?



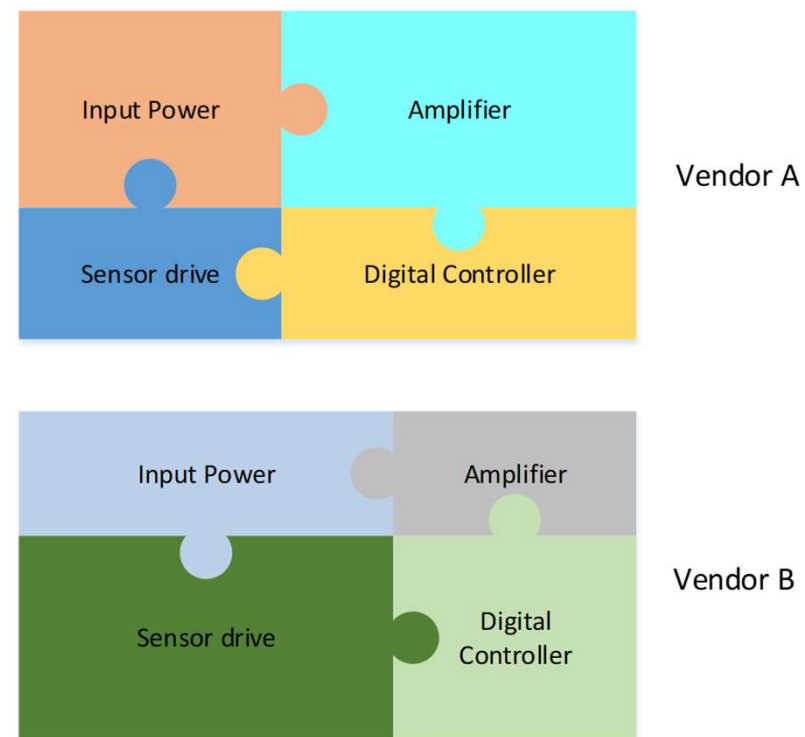
AMB: Naturally born IIoT ...COVID Resistant

Standardization and Interoperability

AMB System Architecture



Interoperability



Contribution from the AMB Community

API 617

Axial and Centrifugal Compressors and Expander-compressors

API STANDARD 617
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ISO 14839

INTERNATIONAL STANDARD **ISO 14839-1**

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Mechanical vibration — Vibration of rotating machinery equipped with active magnetic bearings —

Part 1:
Vocabulary

Vibrations mécaniques — Vibrations de machines rotatives équipées de paliers magnétiques actifs —

Partie 1:
Vocabulaire

Part	Year	Topic	Notes
1	2018	Vocabulary	
2	2004	Evaluation of Vibration	
3	2006	Evaluation of Stability Margin	
4	2012	Technical Guidelines	To be revised to remove section on touchdown bearings
5	2022	Touchdown Bearings	
6		Load Capacity	Under Development

Closing remarks

The Future is Bright for AMBs



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