

## *South Australian Chapter*

### *AME Lean Learning - half Day*

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# *Lean Tools and techniques for today*

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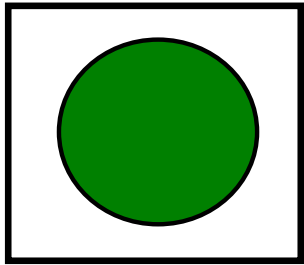
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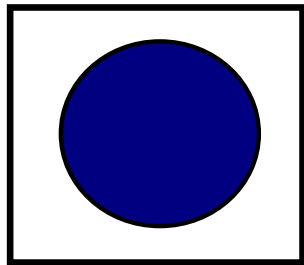
# Agenda

- Introduction
- Group activity - round 1
- Brainstorm problems & solutions
- Lean principles & tools
- Group activity - round 3
- Q&A

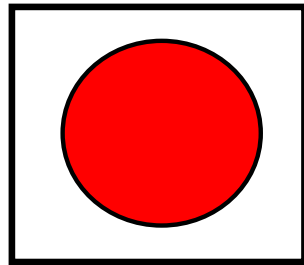
## Future Solutions Enterprise produces three products



E – creates energy



CO<sub>2</sub> – removes carbon dioxide from the atmosphere



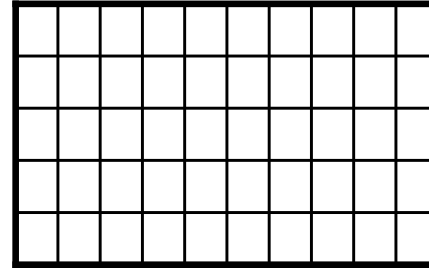
H<sub>2</sub>O – purifies water

# The production process

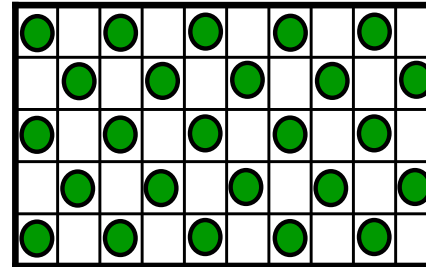
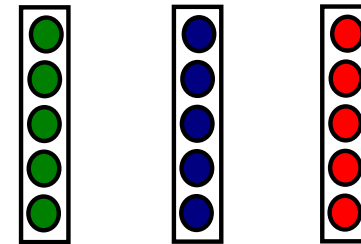
1. Raw materials are purchased from external suppliers
2. Fusing - nano dots are fused onto the circuit boards in a specific pattern.



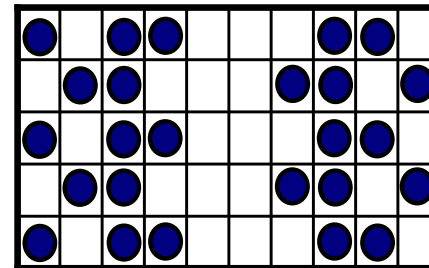
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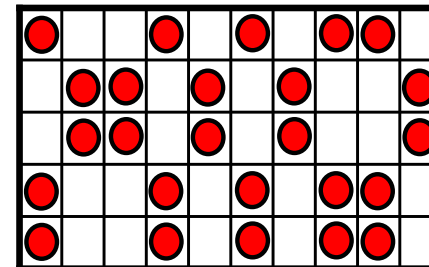
Nano dots



E



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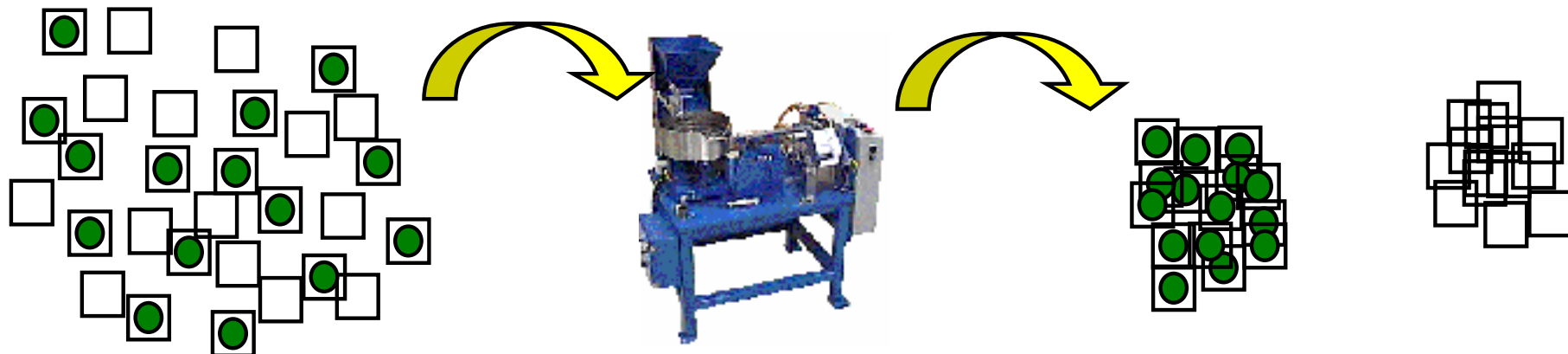
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## The production process

3. Laser cut - the fused nano dots are laser cut into individual squares.



4. Sorting / Inspecting - the fused laser cut Nano dots are sorted from the unused squares. The sorters also check part quality.

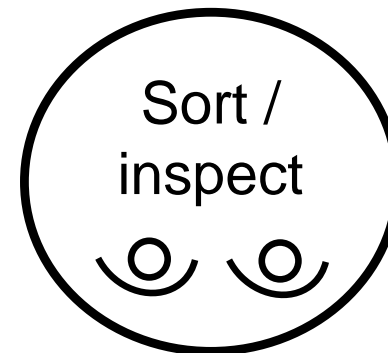
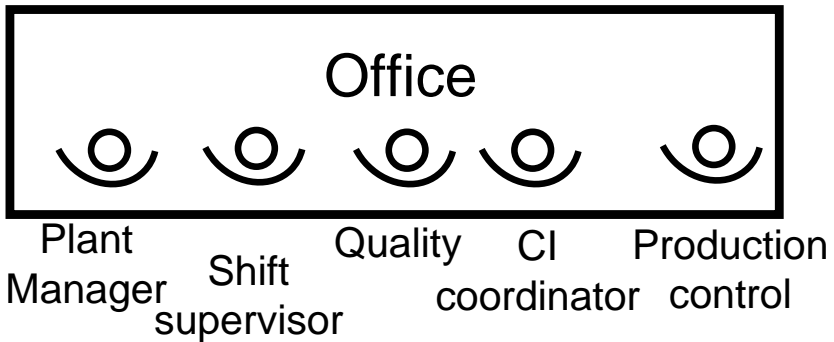
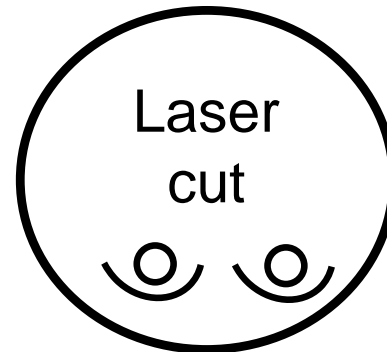
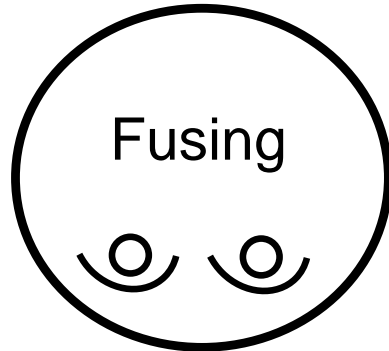


## Rules of the game

- Objective = deliver quality product to the customer.
- Customer places an order every minute for 15 minutes.
- Each person will play a role in the simulation – enjoy it.
- Think about opportunities for improvement – “creativity before capital”.

<b>Roles</b>	<b>No.</b>
Customer	1
Warehouse	1
Production controller	1
Fusers	2
Laser cutters	2
Sorters	2
Material handlers	2
Shipping	1
Maintenance	1
Quality	1
Continuous improvement	1
Shift Supervisor	1
Plant manager	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>

## Layout for round 1



## Debrief of round 1

- How did we do?
- What went right / wrong?
- How does this compare to your operation?
- What improvements can we make?

- How would we apply “Lean” thinking to improve this process.
- Structured approach – purpose, people & process
- Principles & tools apply to both production and office environments

## What is Lean?

Lean is a set of concepts, principles and tools used to create and deliver the *most value* from the *customer's perspective* while consuming the *fewest resources*.



The term “lean” is used because a lean enterprise uses less:

- human effort
- floor space
- capital investment
- materials
- time between the customer order and delivery

# Lean Principles

- Lean addresses problems at the systems level AND within individual process steps.
  - The customers always define value for the process.
  - Lean distinguishes steps that create value from those that do not.
  - Lean reduces waste and builds in quality.
- The people who do the work are the experts.
  - Learning to improve work is as important as producing the work output.

<b>1885</b>
<b>Craft Production</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Machine then harden</li> <li>- Fit on assembly</li> <li>- Customization</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Highly skilled workforce</b></li> <li>- <b>Low production rates</b></li> <li>- <b>High Cost</b></li> </ul>



<b>1913</b>
<b>Mass Production</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Part inter-changeability</li> <li>- Moving production line</li> <li>- Production engineering</li> <li>- "Workers don't like to think"</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Unskilled labor</b></li> <li>- <b>High production rates</b></li> <li>- <b>Low cost</b></li> <li>- <b>Persistent quality problems</b></li> <li>- <b>Inflexible models</b></li> </ul>



<b>1955 -</b>
<b>Toyota Production System</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Worker as problem solver</li> <li>- Worker as process owner enabled by:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-- Training</li> <li>-- Upstream quality</li> <li>-- Minimal inventory</li> <li>-- Just-in-time</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Eliminate waste</li> <li>- Responsive to change</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Low cost</b></li> <li>- <b>Improving productivity</b></li> <li>- <b>High quality product</b></li> </ul>



<b>1993 -</b>
<b>Lean Enterprise</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- "Lean" applied to all functions in enterprise value stream</li> <li>- Optimization of value delivered to all stakeholders and enterprises in value chain</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Low cost</b></li> <li>- <b>Improving productivity</b></li> <li>- <b>High quality product</b></li> <li>- <b>Greater value for stakeholders</b></li> </ul>

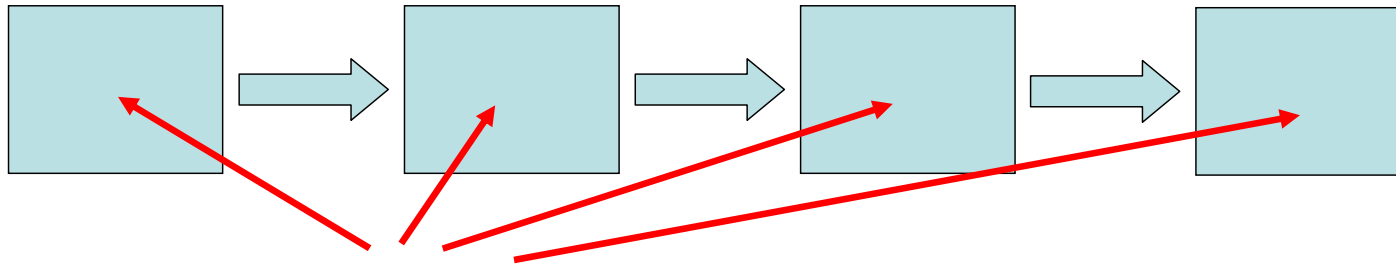


	<b>Traditional</b>	<b>Lean</b>
<b>Production</b>	Based on forecast	Based on orders
<b>Layout</b>	Based on function / department	Based on product flow
<b>Batch size</b>	Large	Small
<b>Processing</b>	Batch & queue	Continuous flow
<b>Quality</b>	Lot sampling	Assured during processing

# Boeing video

# What does a Lean process look like?

A “value stream”

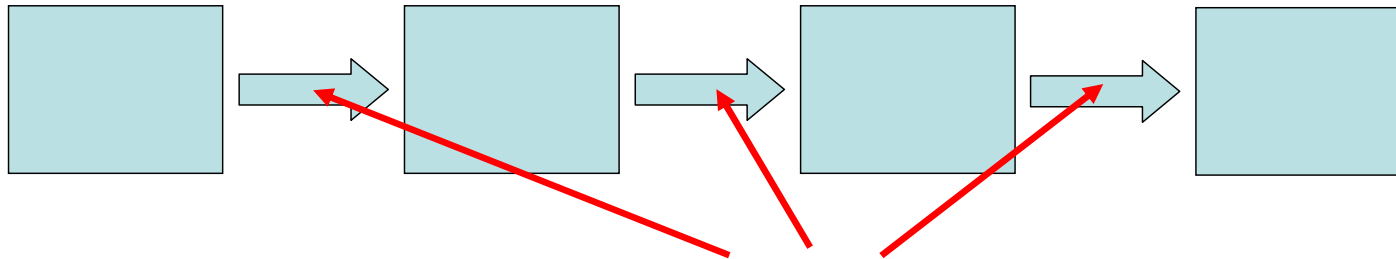


**Each step in the process is:-**

1. **Valuable** – as judged by customer
2. **Capable** – stable process
3. **Available** – no downtime
4. **Adequate** – just enough capacity
5. **Flexible** – to meet changing customer requirements

# What does a Lean process look like?

A “value stream”



**The steps are linked by:-**

1. **Flow** – uninterrupted flow wherever possible
2. **Pull** – at the pull of the customer
3. **Levelling** – of demand & output

## Categories of Work Motion

### Value added

Action that transforms the product or service in a way that is valuable to the end customer.

### Incidental work

Action that enables or supports the value adding work.

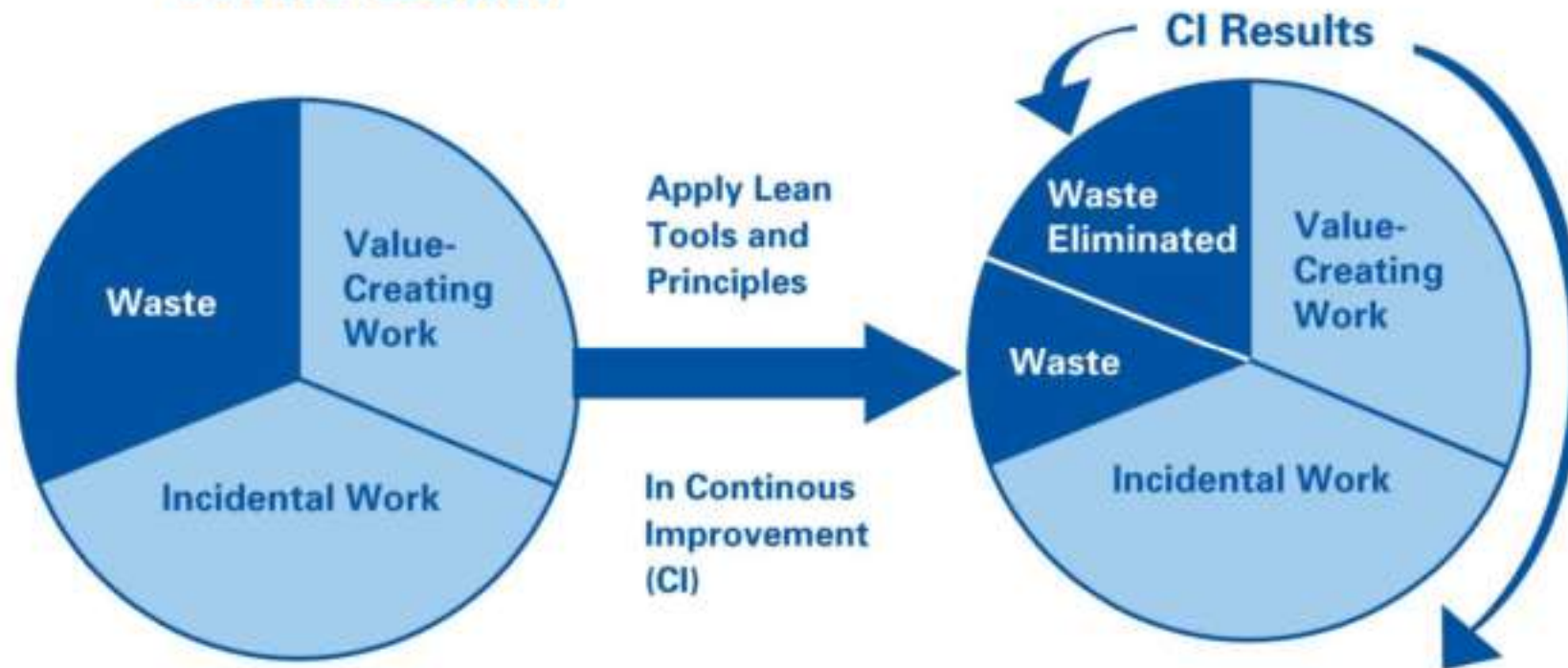


### Waste

Anything other than the minimum amount of time, material, people, space, energy, etc needed to add value to the product or service.

**Focus on Waste Identification and Reduction**

# Increasing Value to Customer with Lean



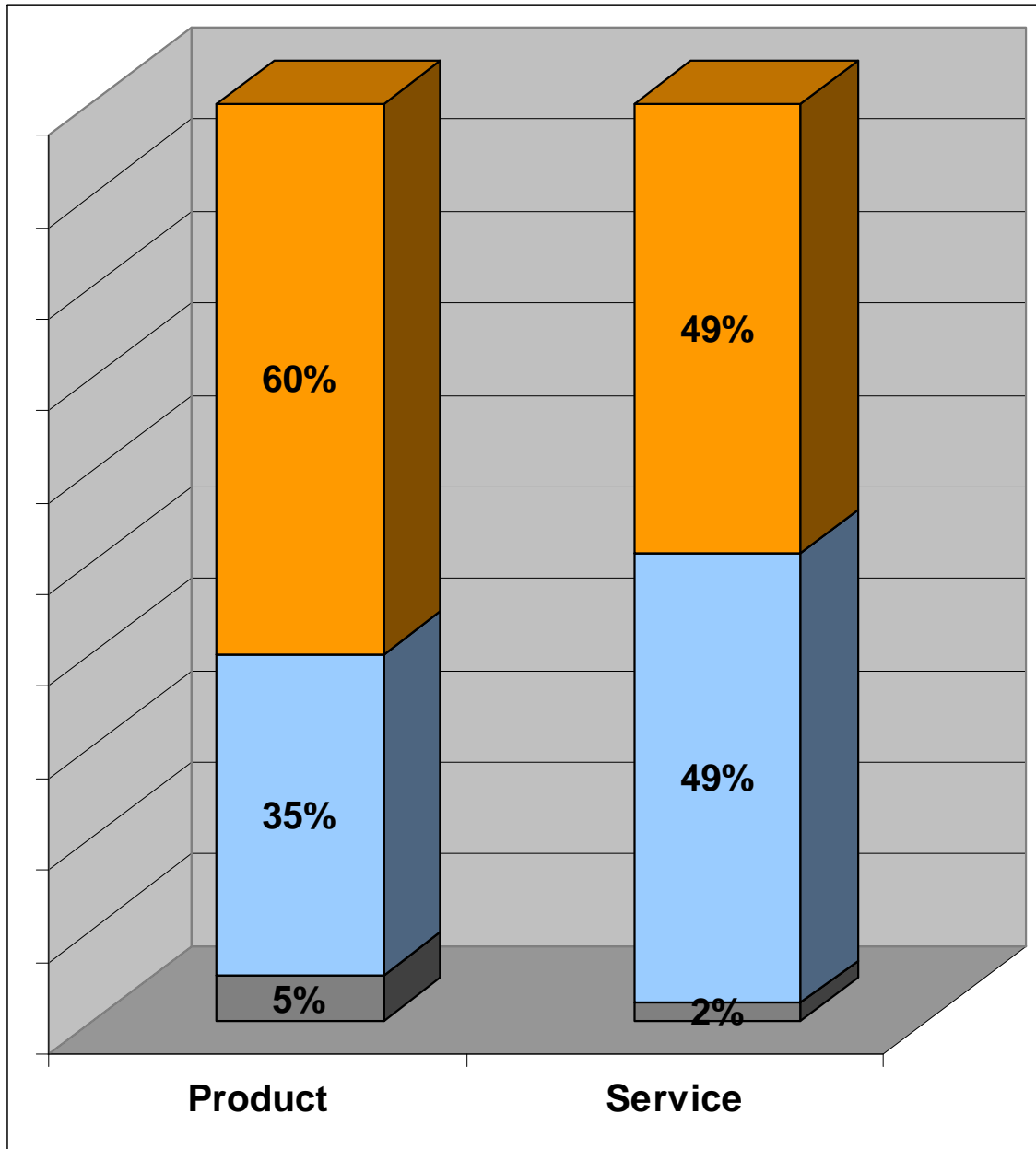
1. Costs can be reduced with time and resources saved.
2. Time and resources saved can be used as increased capacity.

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Waste

Incidental/  
Support

Value  
added



Opportunities!

Short term

Longer term

Source: LERC research

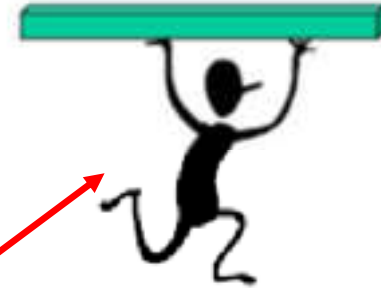
Defects, inspection, rework



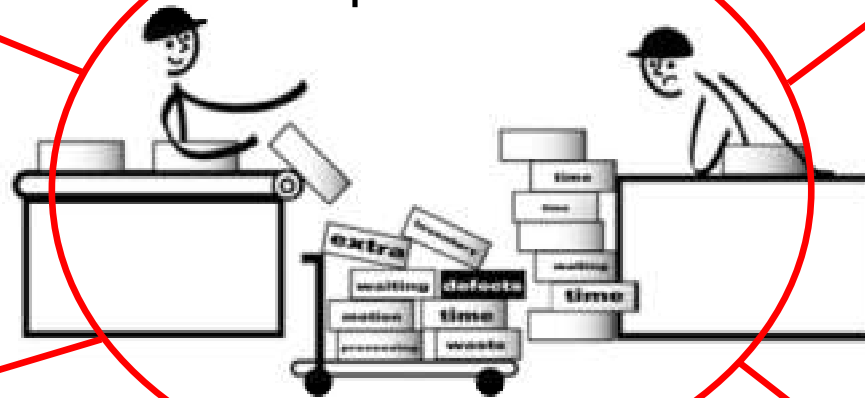
Unnecessary Motion



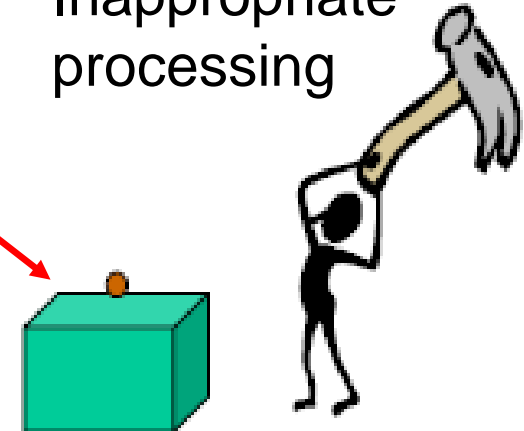
Unnecessary Transportation



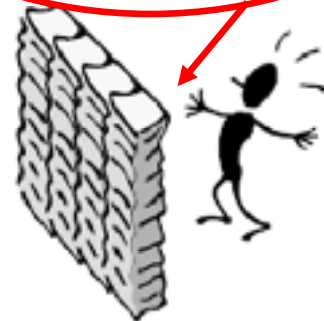
Overproduction



Inappropriate processing



Delays & waiting



Excess work in progress

Which is the worst waste?

**Symptom or cause?**

Type	Definition	Production example	Office example
Overproduction	Producing more, sooner and faster than required by the next process	Unbalanced production rates	Build up of work in progress
Unnecessary motion	Any human or equipment motion that does not add value.	Excess travel in a die	Walking to find information
Unnecessary transportation	Any movement of materials or information more than the minimum required.	Moving product in/out of storage	Getting reports from the copier
Over processing	Doing more work than necessary	Over engineered design	Mass emails
Excess work in progress	Excess inventory or work in progress	Slow moving inventory	High work in progress
Delays & waiting	Operator or machine idle time	Machine downtime	Waiting for information
Defects	Correction to work not done right the first time	Scrap or rework	Correcting information

## Can you think of other types of waste?

- Making the wrong product / service efficiently
- Untapped human potential
- Inappropriate systems
- Wasted materials
- Wasted energy and water
- Pollution

### Service wastes

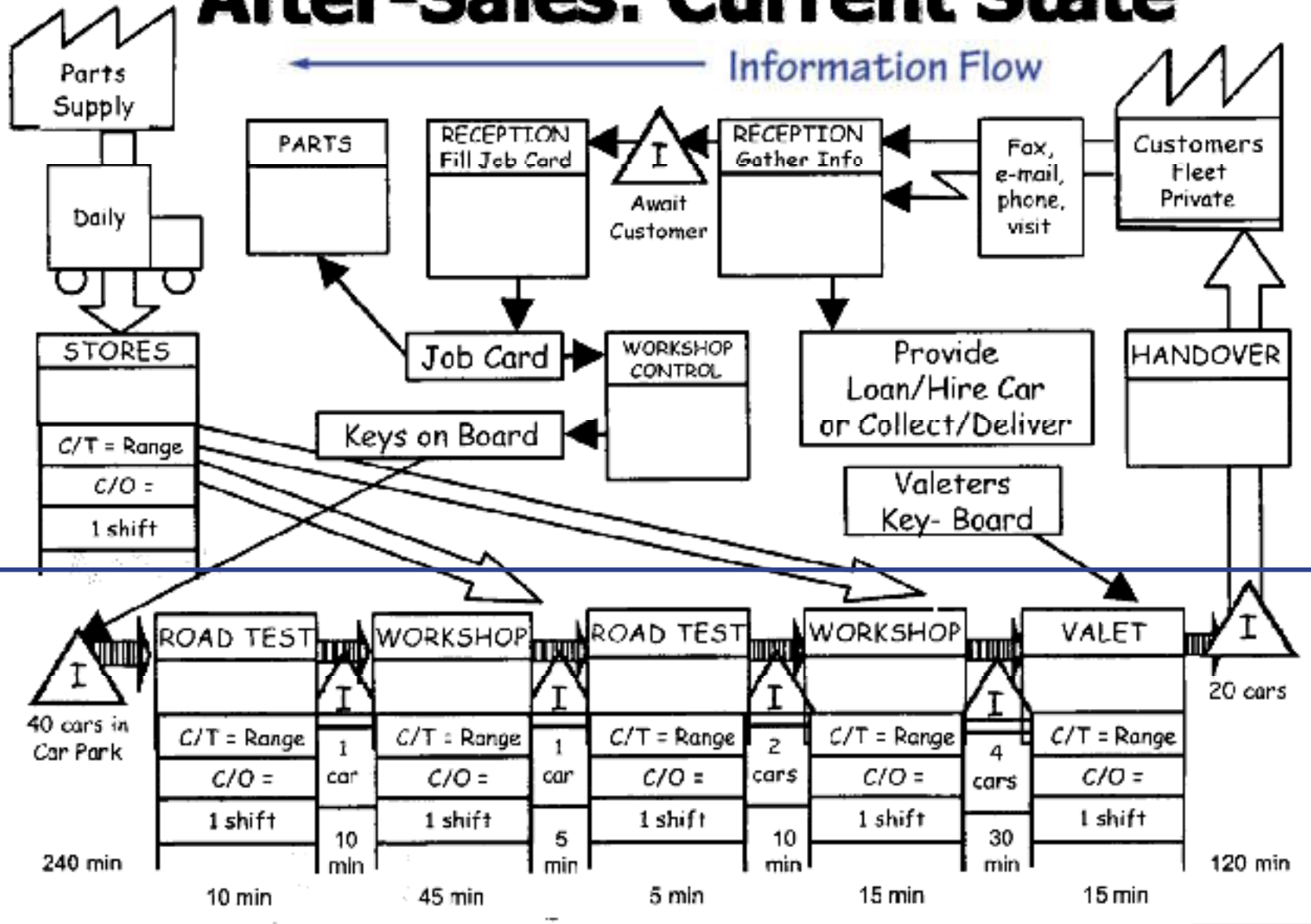
- Duplication
- Unclear communication
- Changing priorities
- Lost opportunities

# Steps to create a lean value stream

1. Define customer requirements
2. Make the work flow
3. Improve work quality and reliability
4. Manage to learn and improve

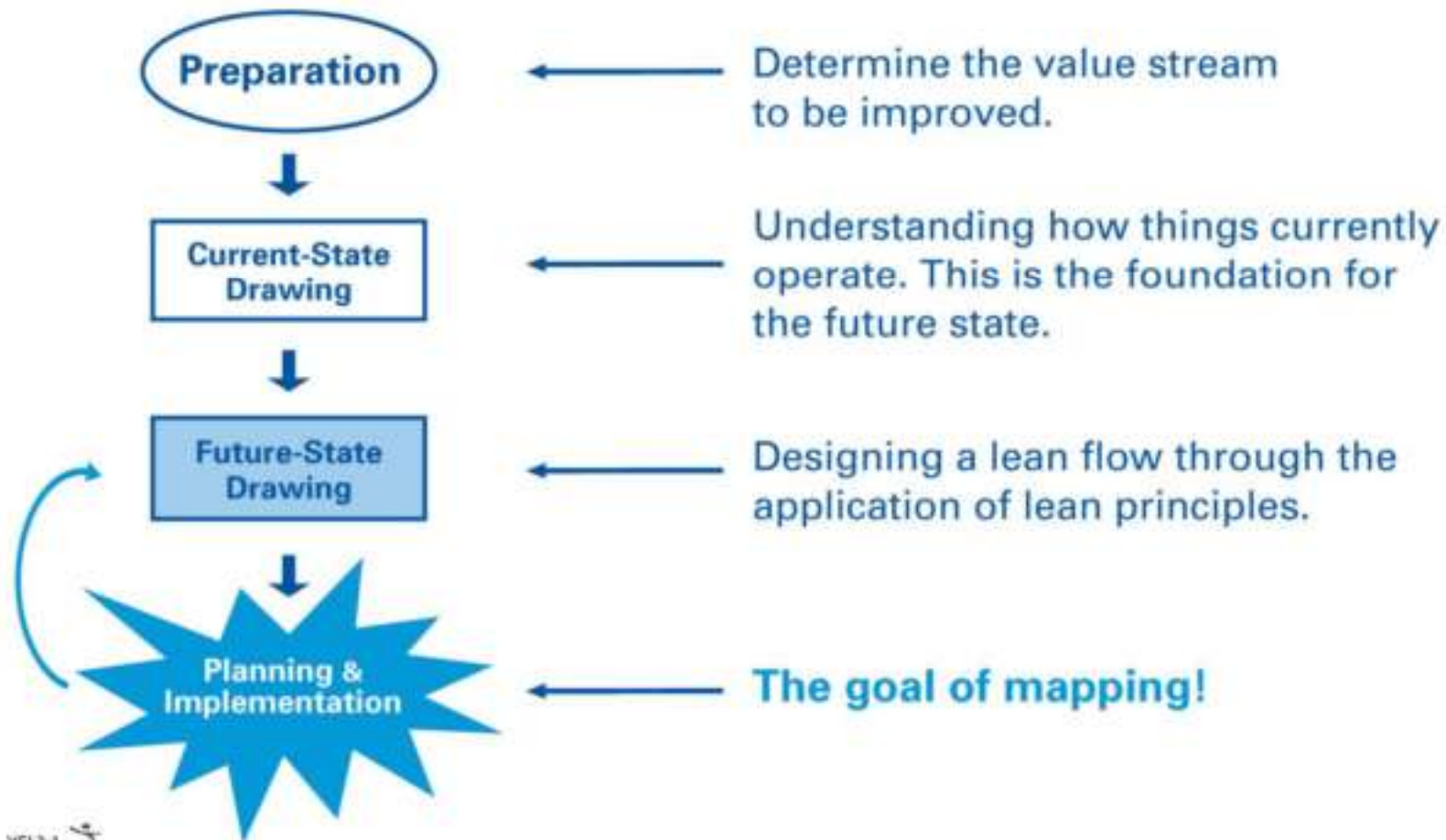
# After-Sales: Current State

Information Flow ←

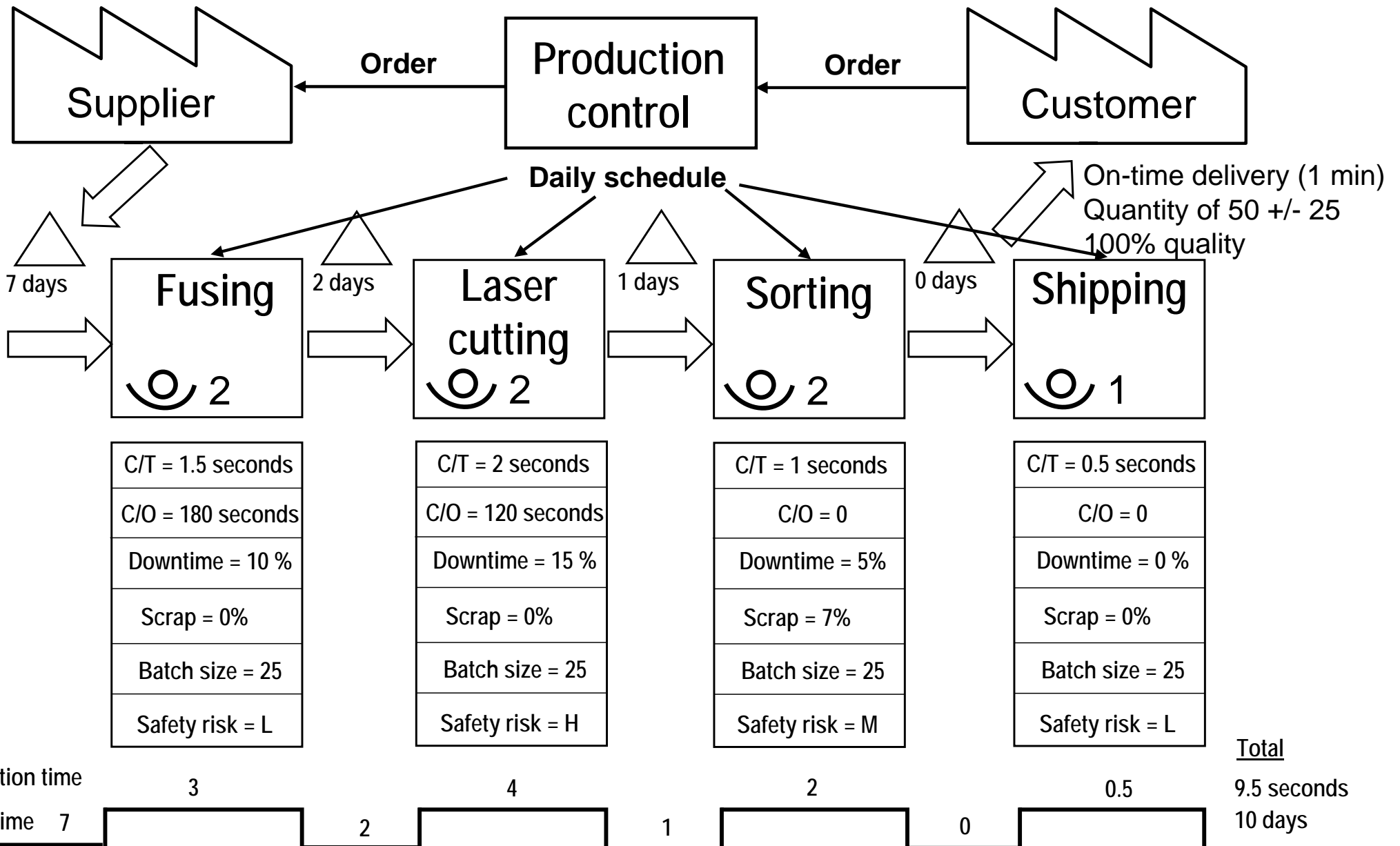


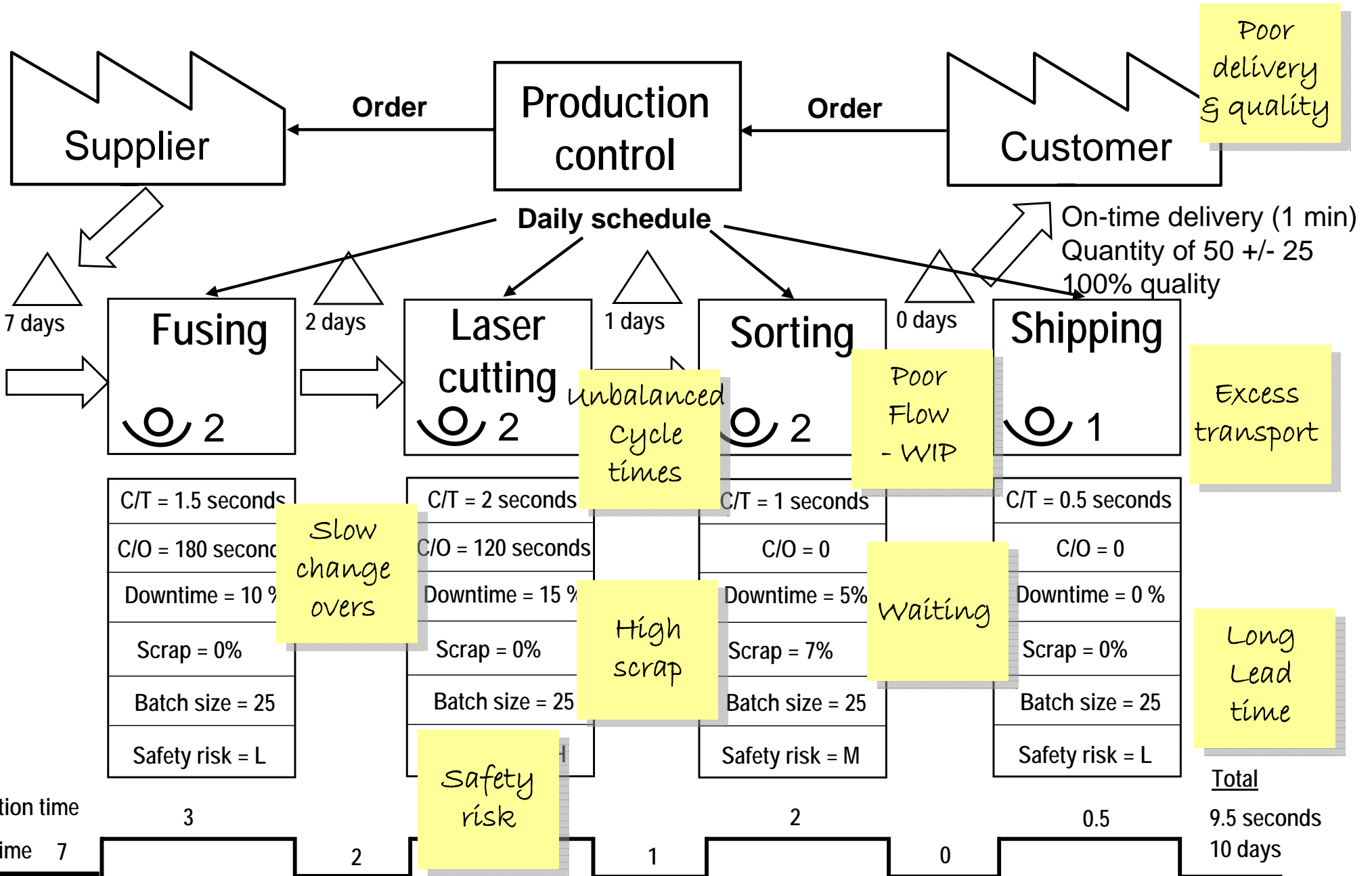
Material Flow →

# Using the Value-Stream Mapping Tool in a VSI Project



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# Step 1

## Define customer requirements

### Critical questions

1. Who are my customers (end-use & internal)?
2. What do my customers *really* require – how many, how often, what quality – and why?

### Key Lean concepts/tools

<b>Problems</b>	<b>Lean solutions</b>
Customer requirements unclear	Ask customers

What are the **customer requirements** for Future Solutions Enterprise?

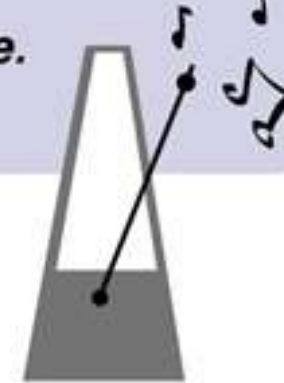
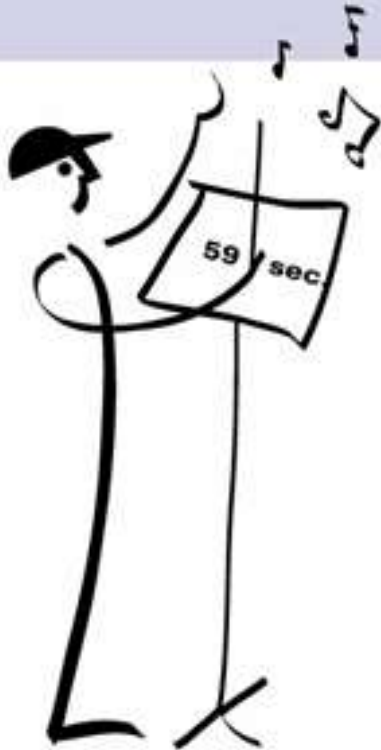
- **Delivery** – correct quantity as per order, in correct sequence, delivered within one minute from time of order.
- **Quality** – full nano dot with no visible damage. Reject for damage or missing nano dots (blank squares).

Any other customer requirements?

- **Functionality**
- **Price**
- **Service**

## TAKT Time

*Synchronizes pace of assembly to match pace of sales.  
Rate for assembling a product based on sales rate.*



$$\text{Takt Time} = \frac{\text{Effective Working Time per Shift}}{\text{Customer Requirement per Shift}}$$

$$\frac{27,000 \text{ sec}}{460 \text{ pieces}} = 59 \text{ sec}$$



## Step 2

### Make work flow – no waiting or rework

#### Critical questions

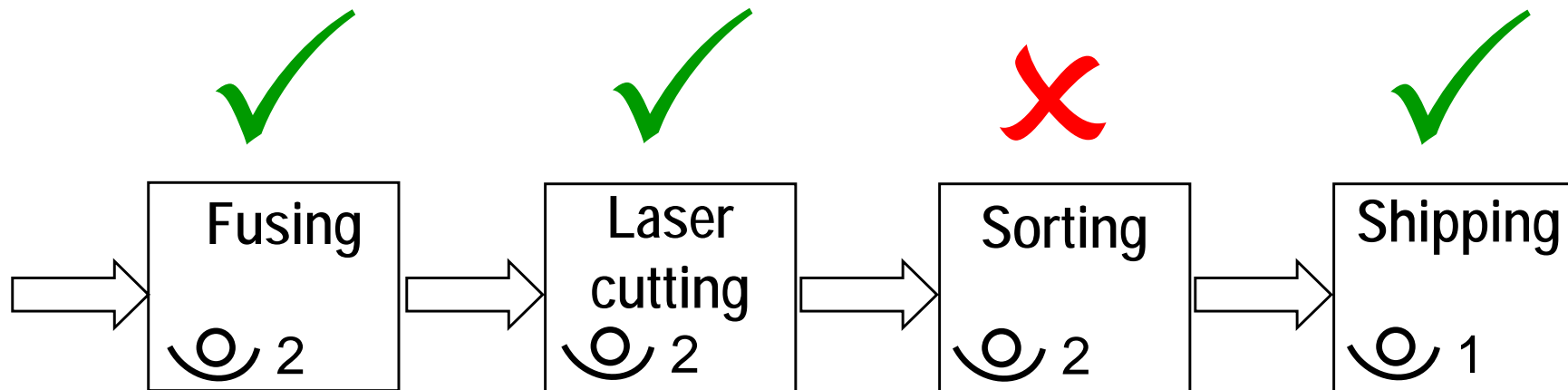
1. Do we really need all these steps?
2. How can we avoid/eliminate all delays and interruptions to make the work flow?

#### Key Lean concepts/tools

<b>Problems</b>	<b>Lean solutions</b>
Non-value added steps	Eliminate / Combine / Reduce / Simplify
Poor flow	Continuous flow vs batch Pull systems
Unbalanced workload	Work balancing

*Flow where you can, pull where you can't*

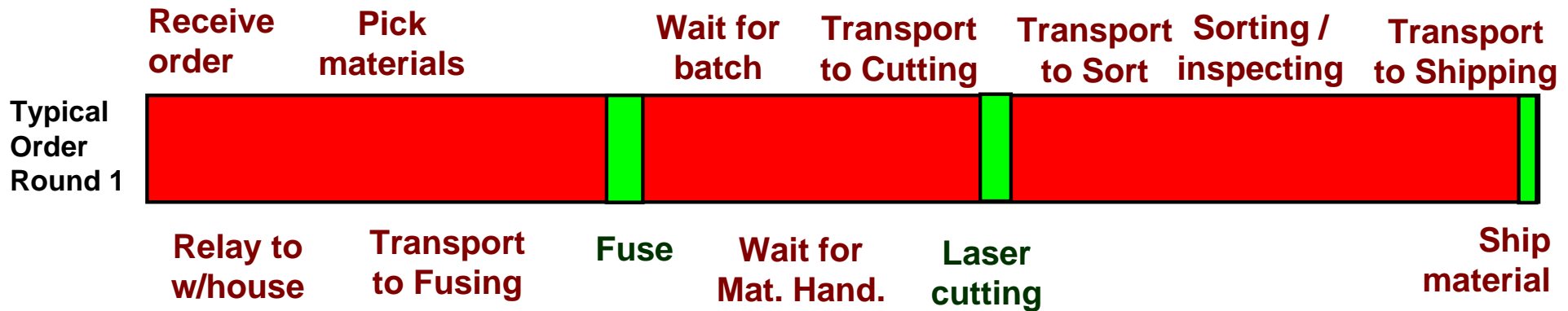
## What steps in our process add value?




## But dig deeper:

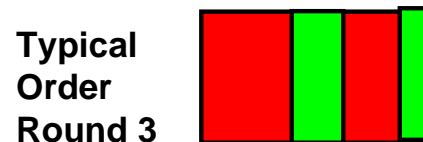
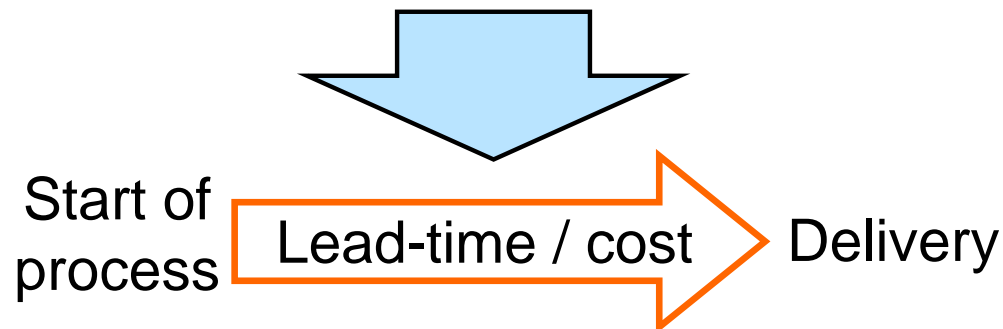
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| • Taking the grid sheet <b>X</b>    | • Taking the grid sheet <b>X</b>         | • Handling the nano dots <b>X</b>   |
| • Taking the nano dots <b>X</b>     | • Moving scissors to grid sheet <b>X</b> | • Storing the nano dots <b>X</b>    |
| • Peeling the nano dots <b>X</b>    | • Cutting <b>✓</b>                       | • Transporting to customer <b>✓</b> |
| • Moving dot to grid sheet <b>X</b> | • Moving cut nano dots <b>X</b>          |                                     |
| • Placing nano dot <b>✓</b>         |  |                                     |
| • Moving completed sheet <b>X</b>   |  |                                     |

Start of process



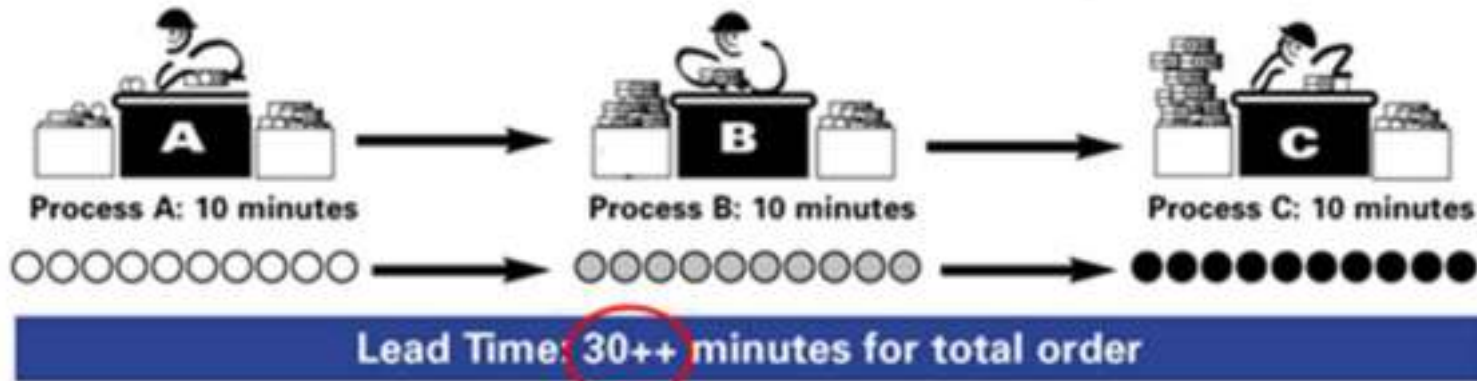
Lean focuses on eliminating waste and improving flow to reduce lead-time

-  Value added
-  Waste

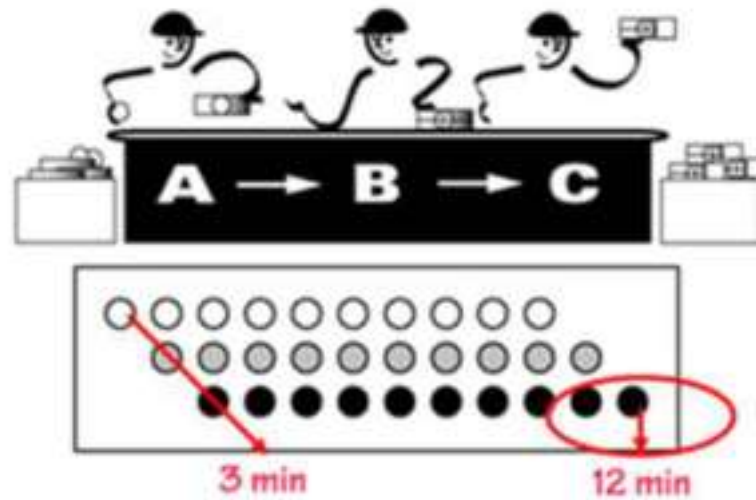


# Continuous Flow Processing

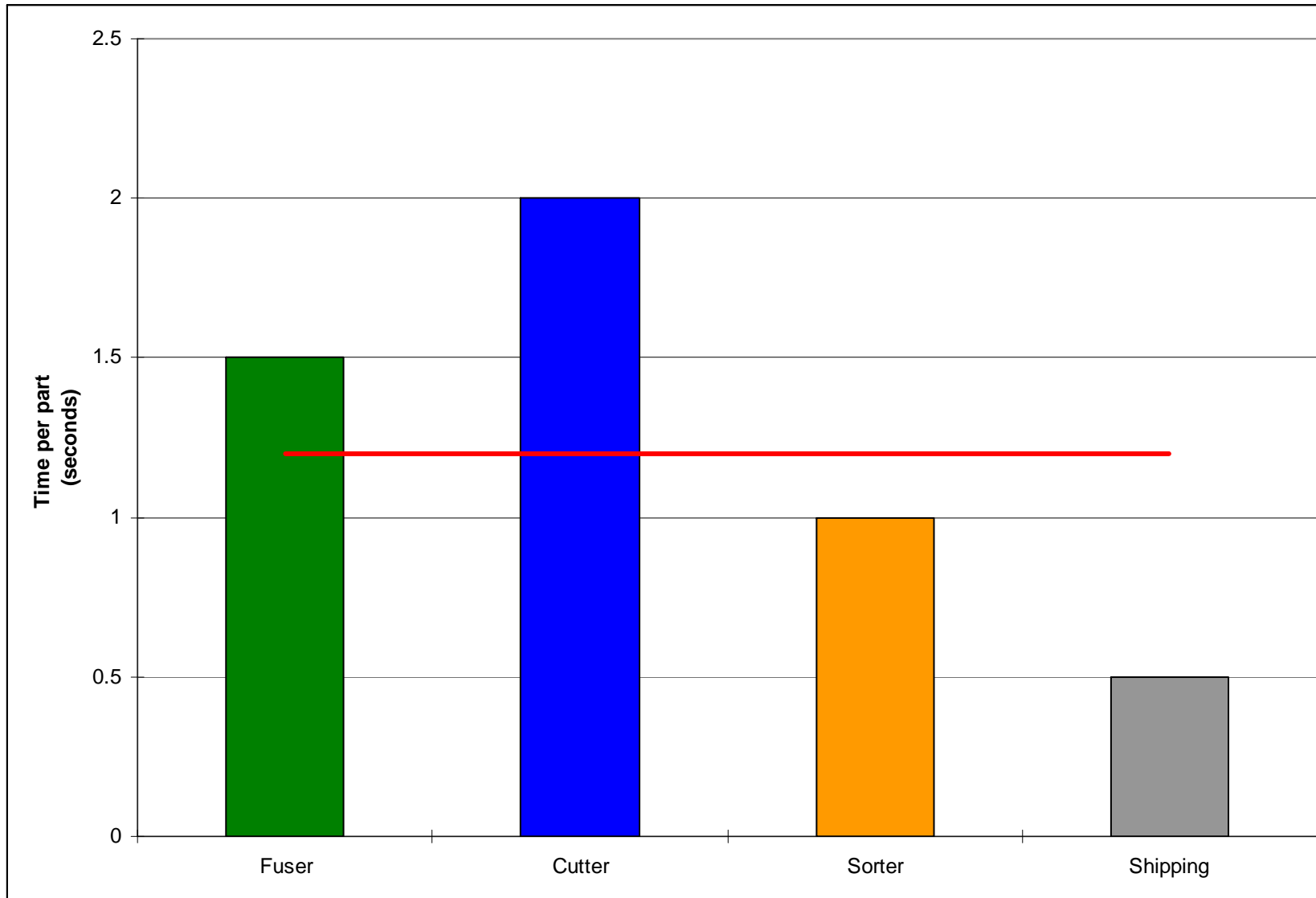
## Batch & Push Processing



## Continuous Flow "make one, move one"

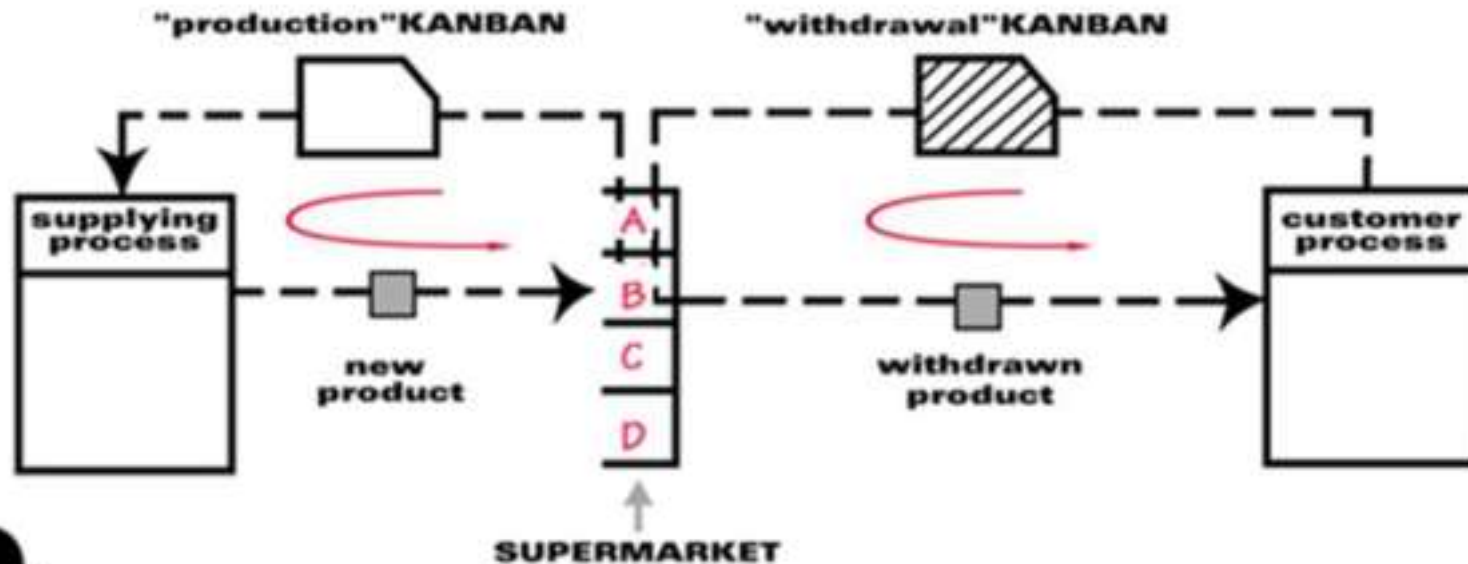


# Operation balance chart



# Supermarket Pull System

- 1) Customer process goes to supermarket and withdraws what it needs when it needs it.
- 2) Supplying process produces to replenish what was withdrawn.

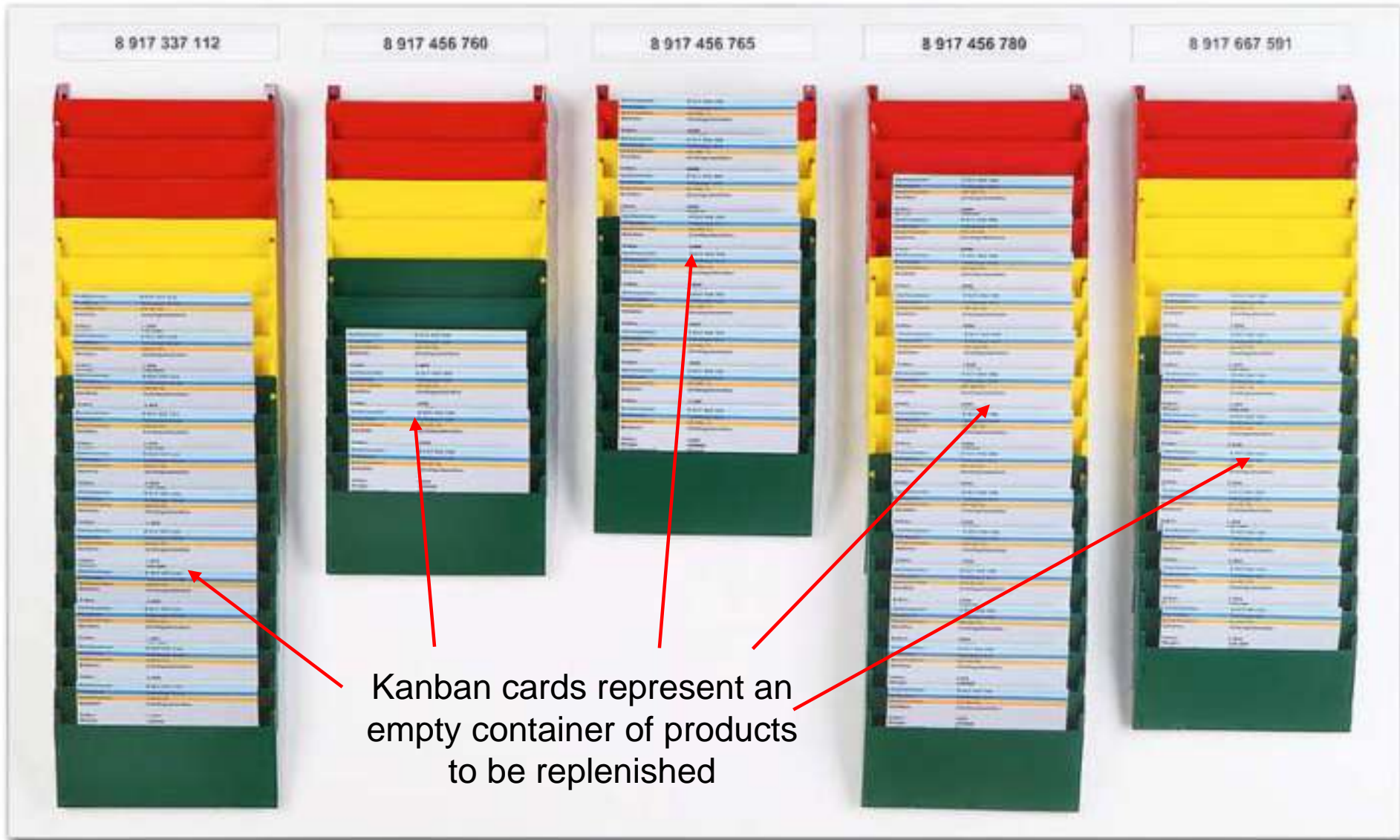


**Purpose:** A way to control production between flows  
Controls production at supplying process without trying to schedule



5 different products to produce

# Kanban board



What product do I produce next?

## Step 3

### Improve work quality and reliability

#### Critical questions

1. How do we build in quality at each step of the process?
2. How can we reduce variability at each step of the process?

#### Key Lean concepts/tools

<b>Problems</b>	<b>Lean solutions</b>
Poor quality	Quality at source Error proofing Implement standard work & visual standards
Poor reliability (downtime & variation)	5S & visual workplace Implement standard work Total productive maintenance Quick changeover

## Remember 3 rules....

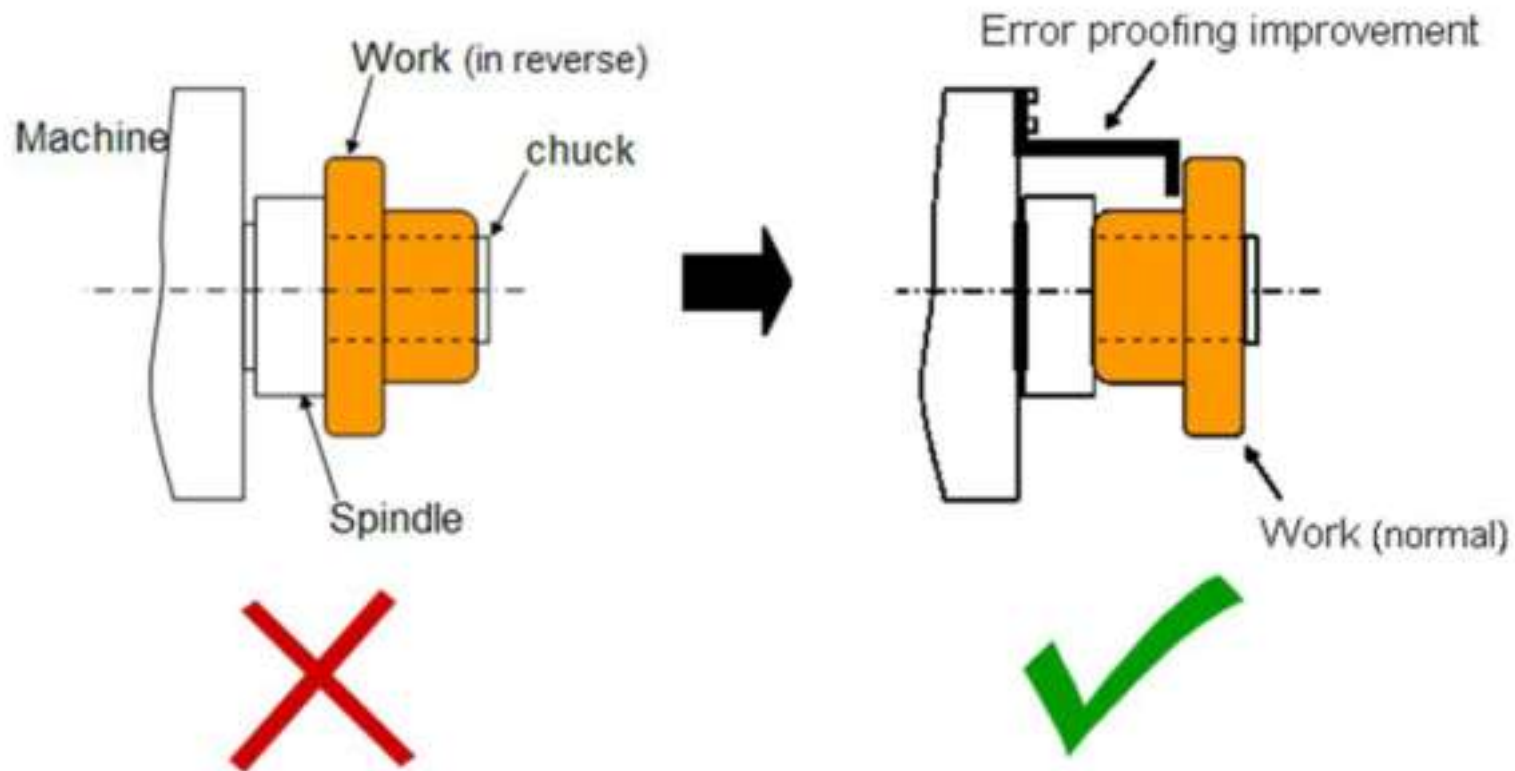
An error proofing system should take into consideration these 3 simple rules :



Ideally, design the product so that it **can't** be assembled incorrectly!!!

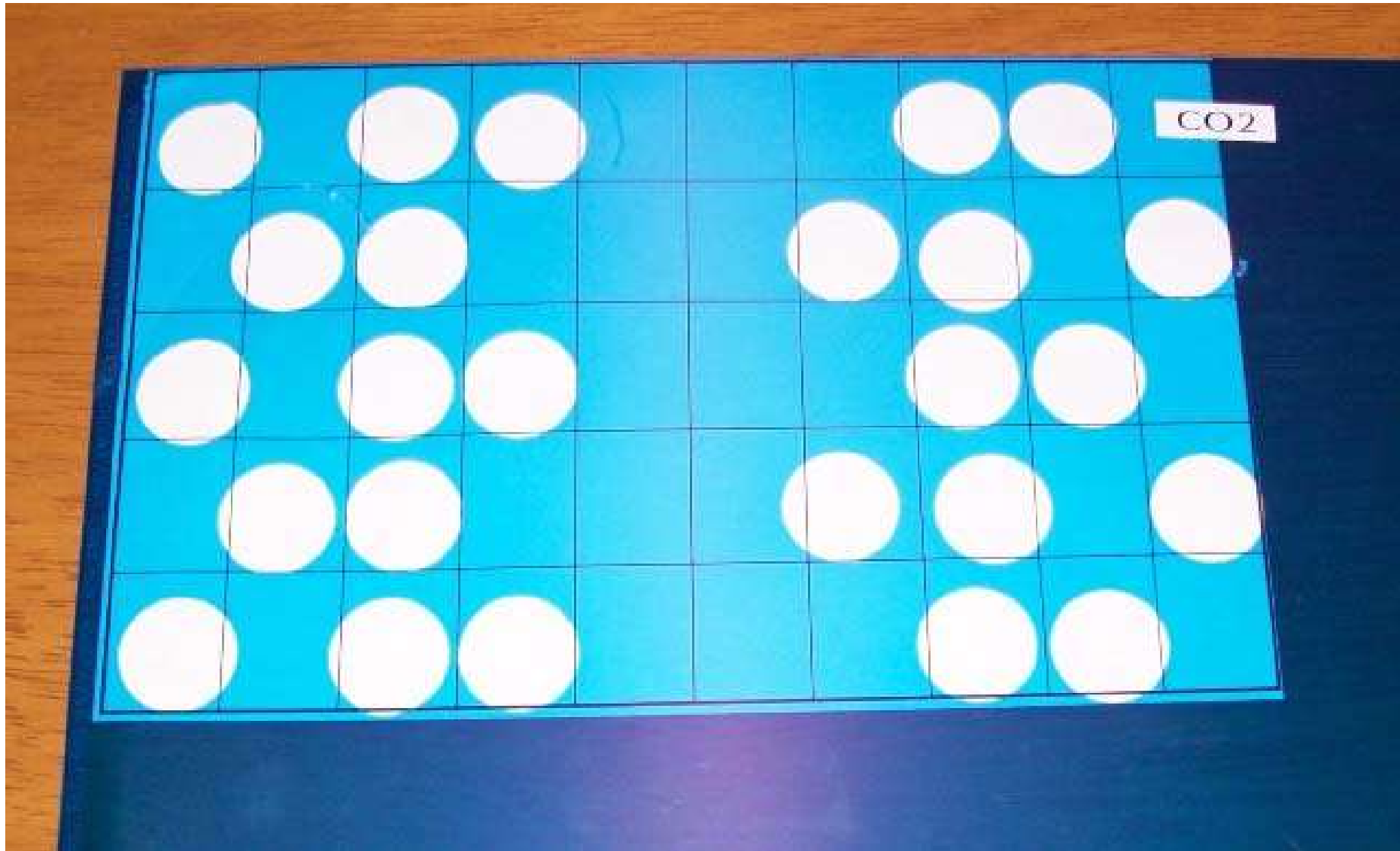
## Introduction -What is Error Proofing?

- Error Proofing is a process improvement that is designed to prevent a specific defect from occurring



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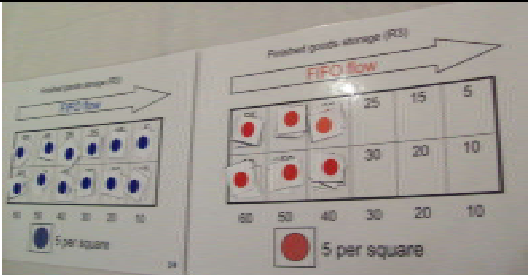
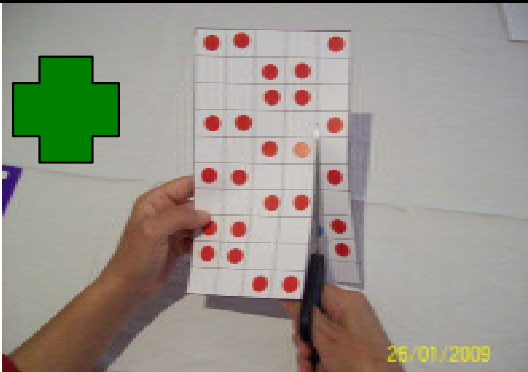
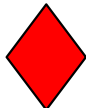


# Fusing template



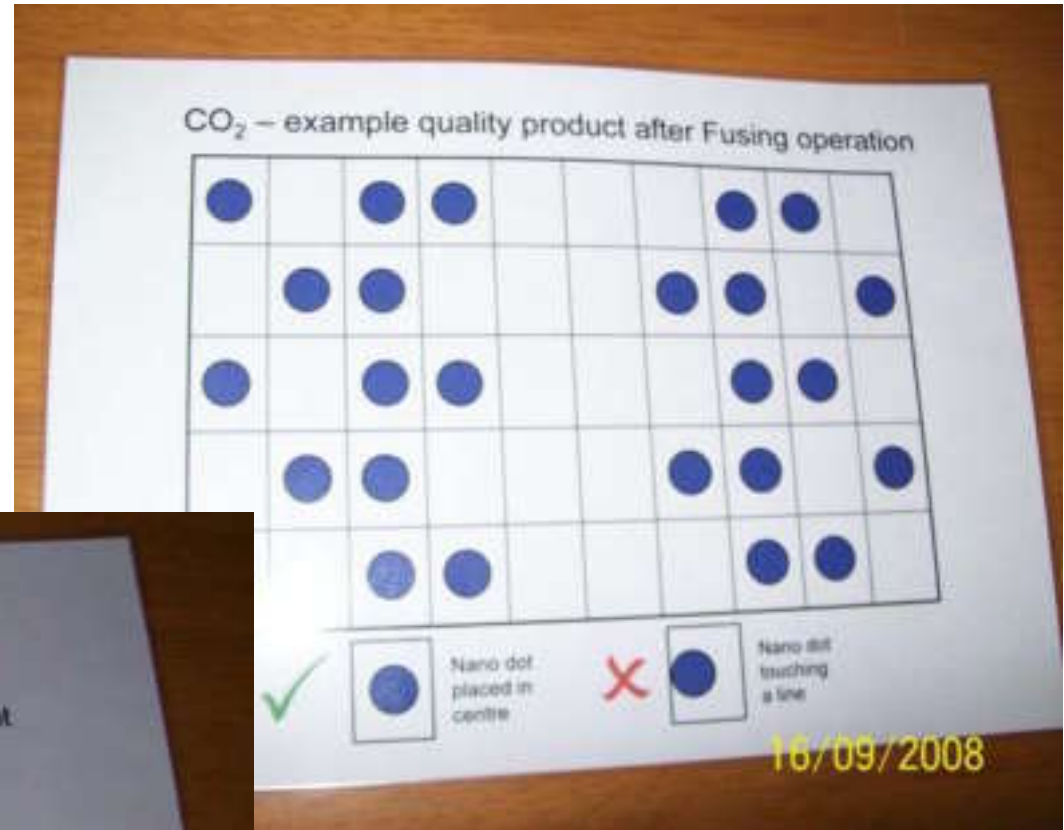
## Standard Work

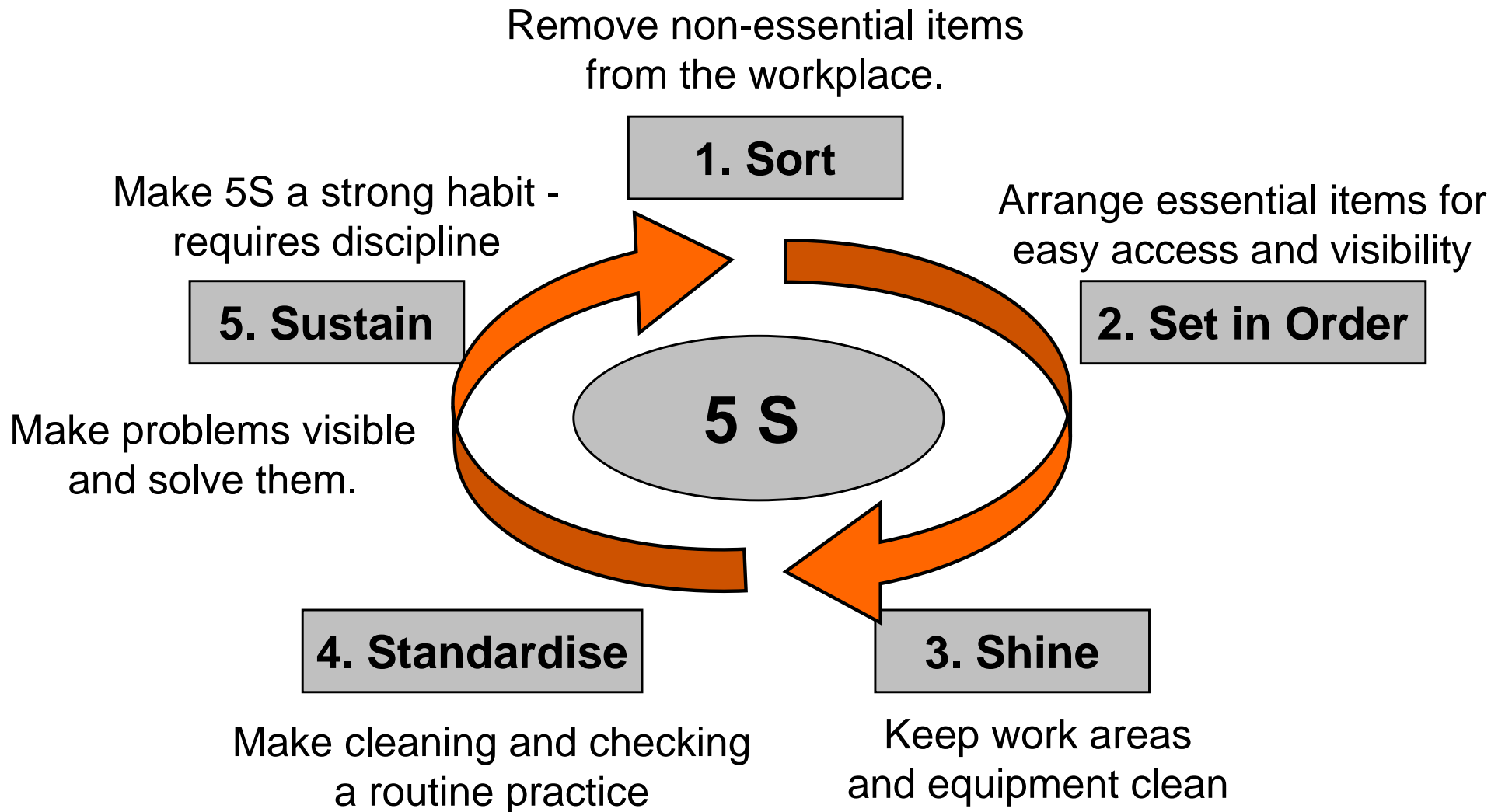
- Standard work is the documentation and application of the best practices of a manufacturing process.
- It may include photographs and/or drawings.
- It ensures that production operations are performed the same way each time.
- It is developed with the operators.
- It is posted at the workstation.
- Forms the baseline from which improvements are made.

# T shirt folding activity

AREA		Laser Cutting		<b>STANDARD WORK GUIDE</b>			
STD #		2035 Page 1 of 2					
Job Title				Approved by	Revision	Date	
Laser Cutter				J Lee	Round 3	14/9/08	
#	Time	Work	Walk	Process description	Key points	Visual aides	
1				Determine next product to build based on replenishment of product taken from FG storage.	Coordinate production with the other Laser Cutter so as not overproduce – maximum of 60 per prod.		
2				Pick up the circuit board from the WIP storage location and cut the board into strips along the longest side.	Cut the strips into 2 piles with same pattern of the nano dots. Be careful – Lasers sharp.		
1. Critical		2. Safety		2. Look			
							

# Visual quality standard





A place for everything and everything in it's place.

## Caution

- The main purpose of 5S is workplace organisation. It reduces the following wastes:
  - motion
  - variation in how the work is performed (standard work)
  - looking for materials or information
  - interrupting work due to missing items
- If people see 5S as simply housekeeping, they will miss the full benefit.
- Implementing 5S is an opportunity to empower the people that work in an area to take ownership of the area and organise it in a manner that reduces wasted effort.



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Before



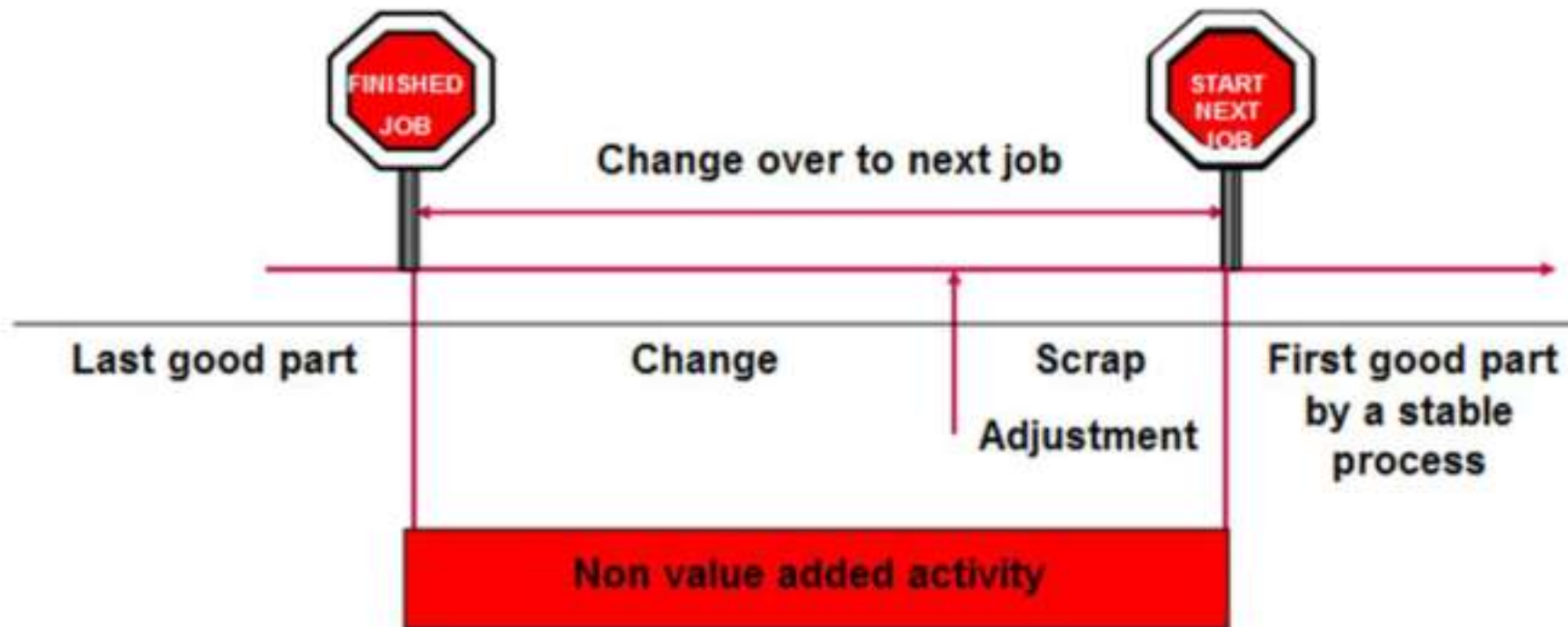
After



- Reduce equipment bottlenecks (Theory of Constraints)
- Reduce the six major equipment losses (OEE measure)
- Improve existing planned maintenance systems
- The operator is the best condition monitor
- Provide training to upgrade operations and maintenance skills
- Involve everyone and utilize cross-functional teamwork

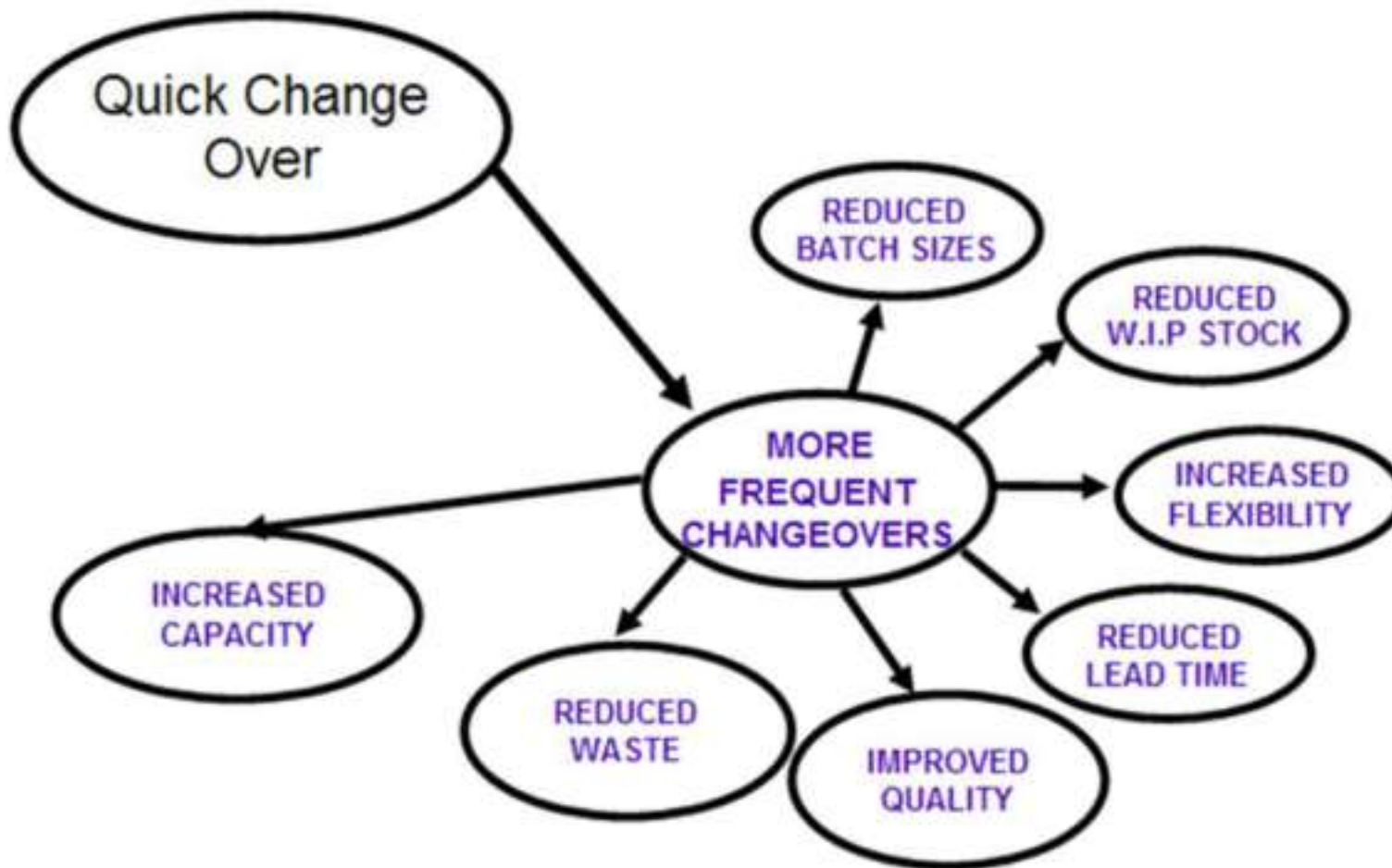
- A company-wide team-based effort to build quality into equipment and to improve overall equipment effectiveness
- Total
  - all employees are involved
  - it aims to eliminate all accidents, defects and breakdowns
- Productive
  - actions are performed while production goes on
  - troubles for production are minimized
- Maintenance
  - keep in good condition
  - repair, clean, lubricate

## What is a Change Over ?



“Quick Change Over” is a method of analysing and reducing the time needed to change a process from producing one good part to producing the next good part by using a team approach

## Why Quick Change Over?



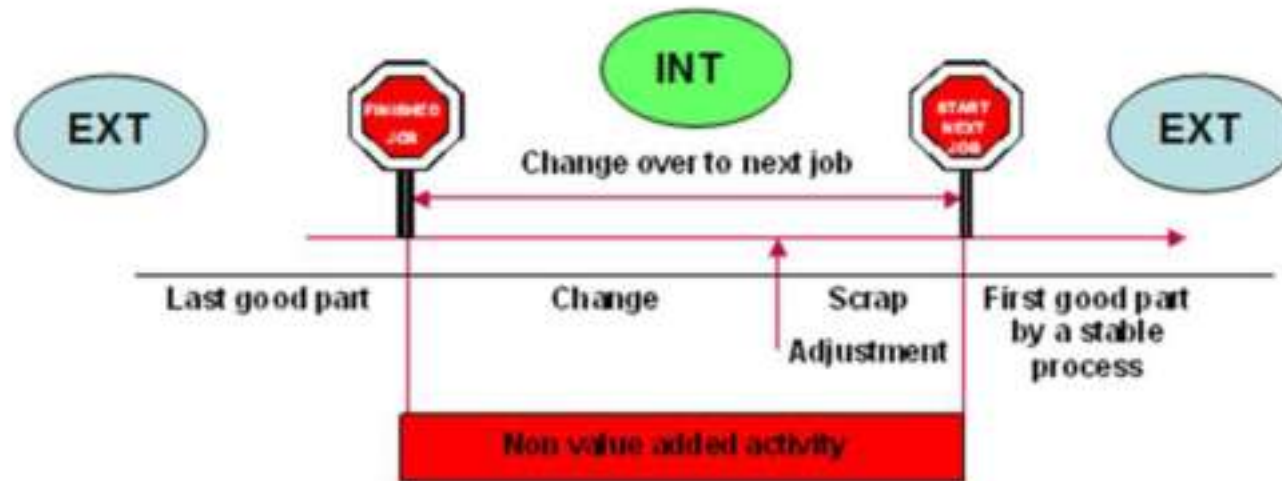
## 2 Key Elements in Any Change Over

- Internal Activities

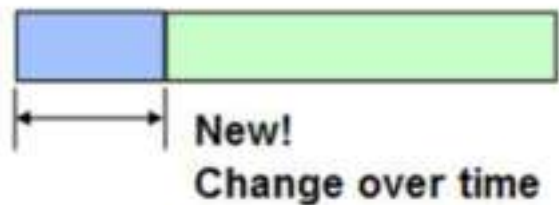
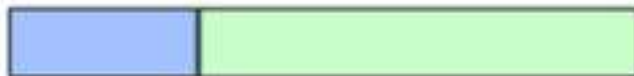
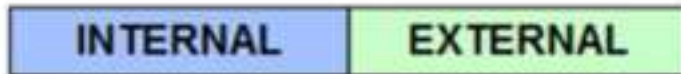
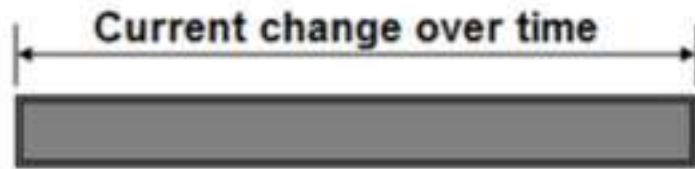
- must be performed while the machine / process is stopped i.e. not making parts

- External Activities

- can be performed whilst the machine / process is running . i.e. making parts

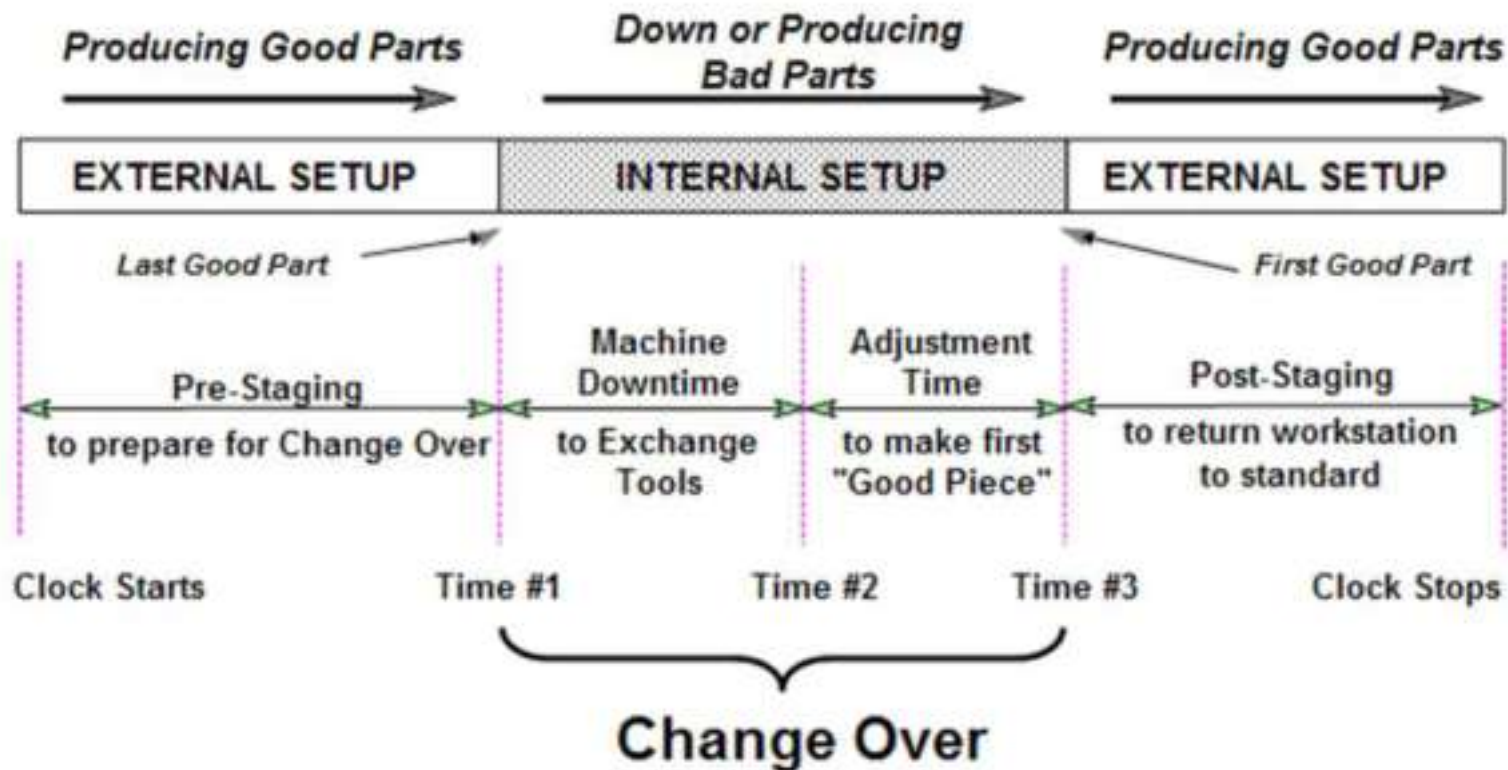


## 6 Steps in a Change Over Improvement



- 1. Select appropriate set up to reduce
- 2. Observe / measure the current process
- 3. Separate / internal and external activities
- 4. Convert internal activities into external activities
- 5. Reduce internal activities
- 6. Reduce external activities

## Change Over Activity "Detail"



# Step 4

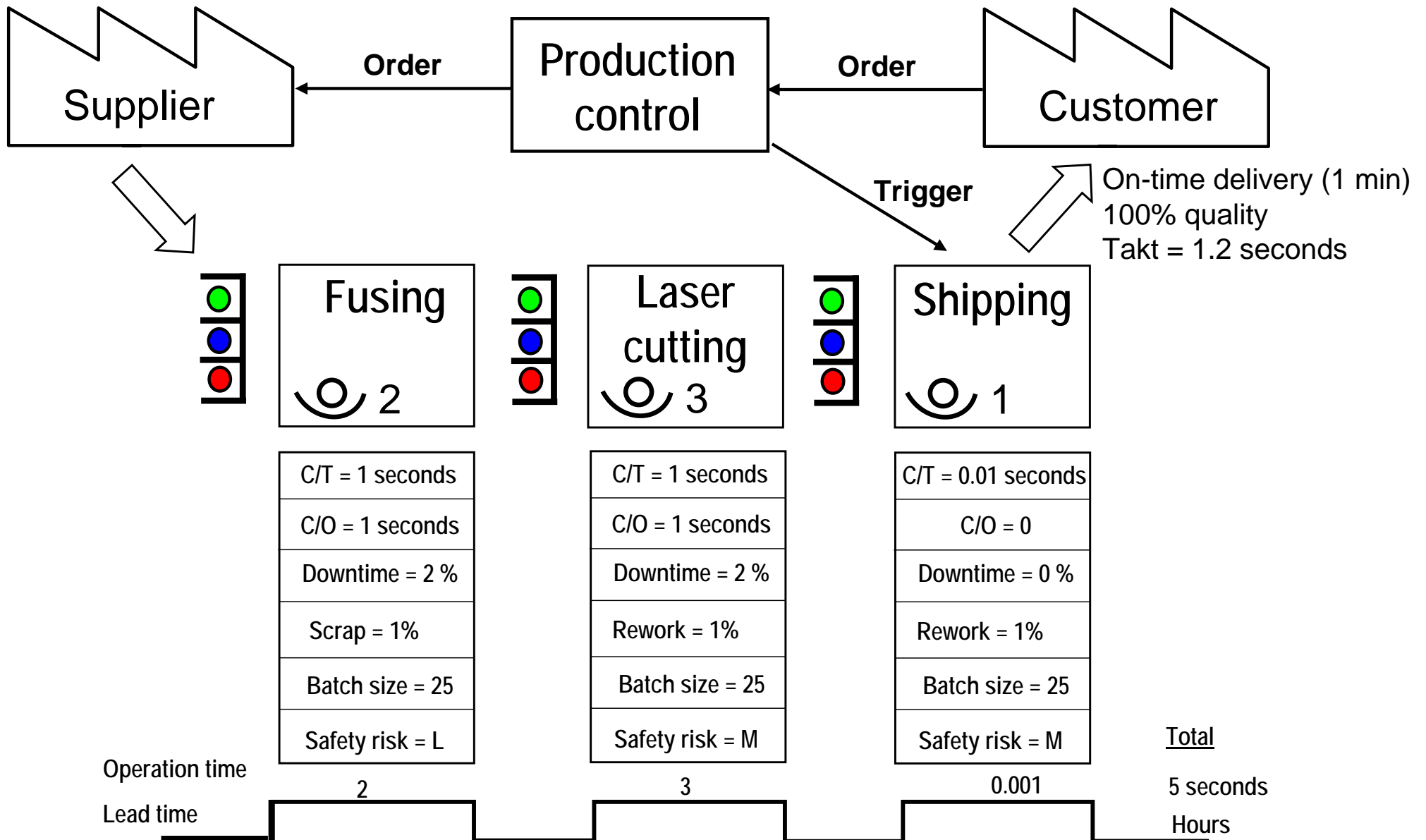
## Manage to learn and improve

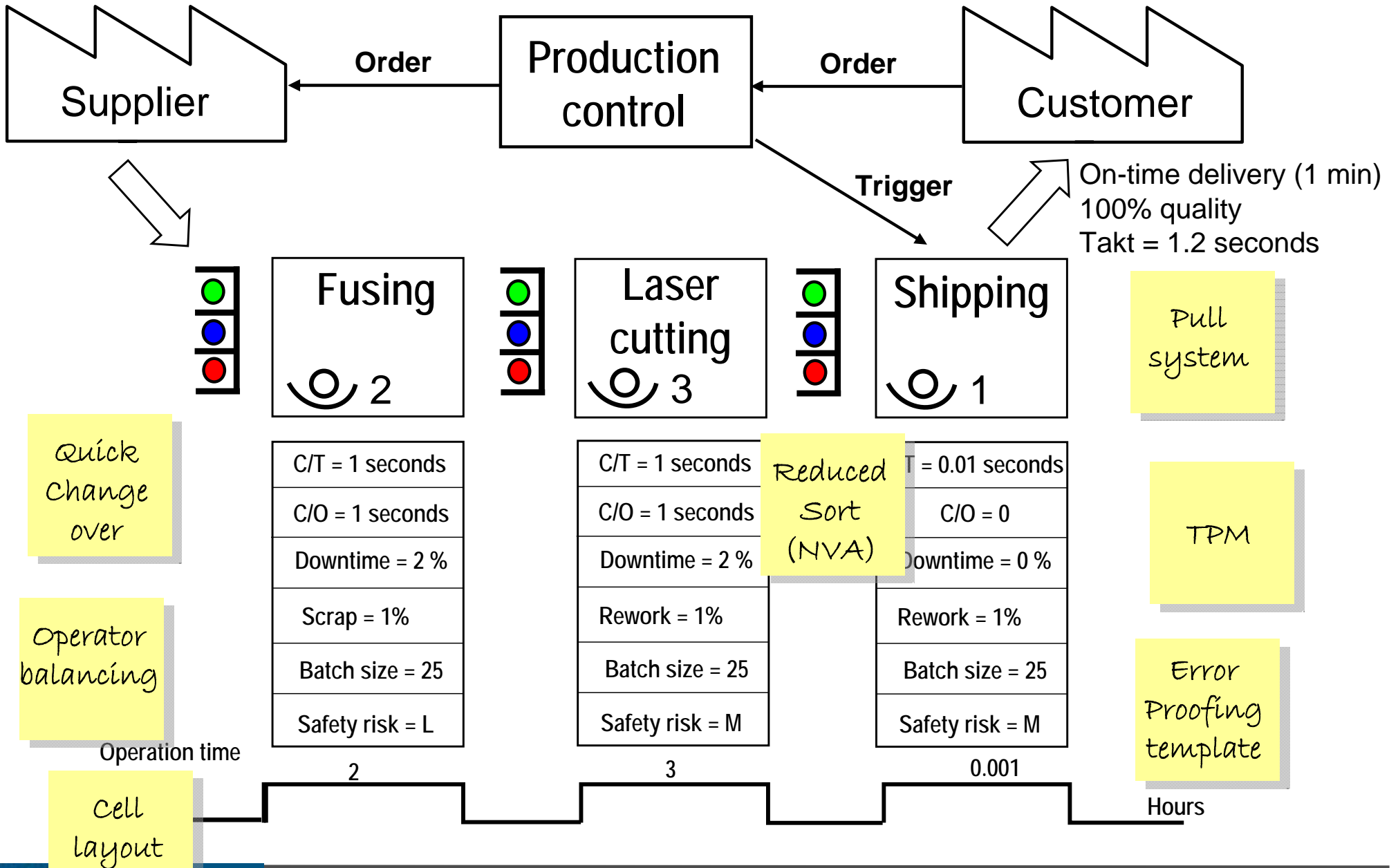
### Critical questions

1. How do we highlight problems and resolve them?
2. How can we continually improve our processes?

### Key Lean concepts/tools

<b>Problems</b>	<b>Lean solutions</b>
Highlight & resolve problems	Visual management & 5S Lean metrics Problem solving
Continuous improvement	Team involvement Kaizen Value stream mapping





## Changes for round 3

- Quality & CI team worked with operations to develop **standard work** to standardise the current best and safest method to do the work
- Team “rapid improvement workshop” in the Laser cutting changed the work sequence to **reduce non-value added** sorting / inspecting
- Production team changed **layout** to reduce waste and assist flow
- Production control implemented a **pull system** to link production to actual customer orders
- Quality implemented **visual quality standards** based on discussions with customer to highlight requirements

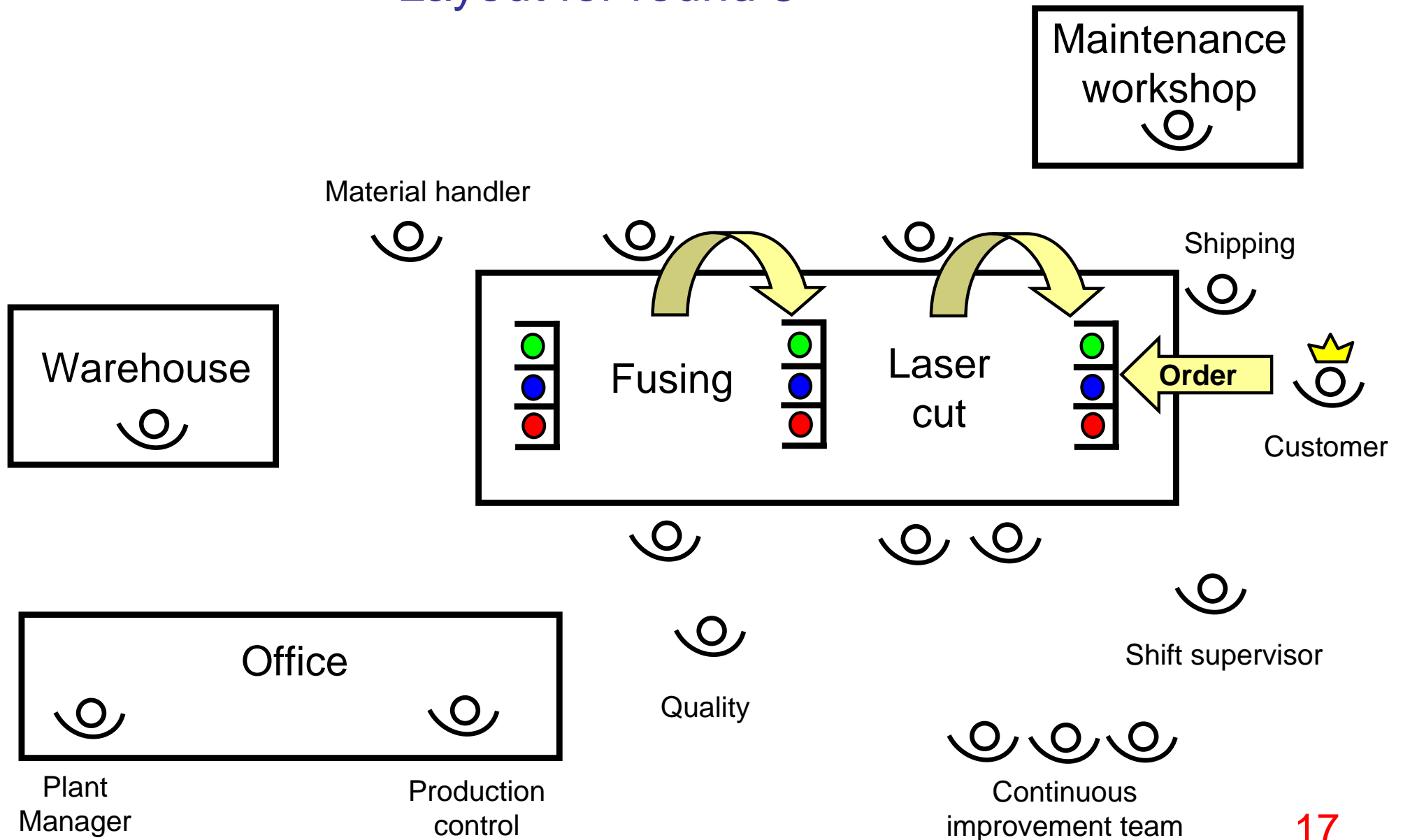
## Changes for round 3

- Quality added **error proofing** template to fuser operation to reduce risk of quality problems and reduce cycle time
- Maintenance applied **5S** to the toolbox to reduce time wasted in searching for parts and **TPM** to reduce the frequency of breakdowns
- **Quick changeover** teams reduced changeover times on fusing & laser cutting
- **Supplier** eliminated waste around edges of circuit board
- Warehouse & material handlers implemented **point of use storage** at the fusing operation

## Roles for round 3

<b>Roles</b>	<b>Round 1</b>	<b>Changes</b>	<b>Round 3</b>
Customer	1		1
Warehouse	1		1
Production controller	1		1
Fusers	2		2
Laser cutters	2		2
Sorters	2	-1 CI team	1
Material handlers	2	-1 CI team	1
Shipping	1		1
Maintenance	1		1
Quality	1		1
Continuous improvement	1	+2 sorter, mat hand.	3
Plant manager	1		1
Shift Supervisor	1		1
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>		<b>17</b>

## Layout for round 3



## Debrief of round 3

- How did we do?
- Did the improvements work?
- What further improvements can be made?
- How does this compare to your operation?

# Lean Enterprise Transformation

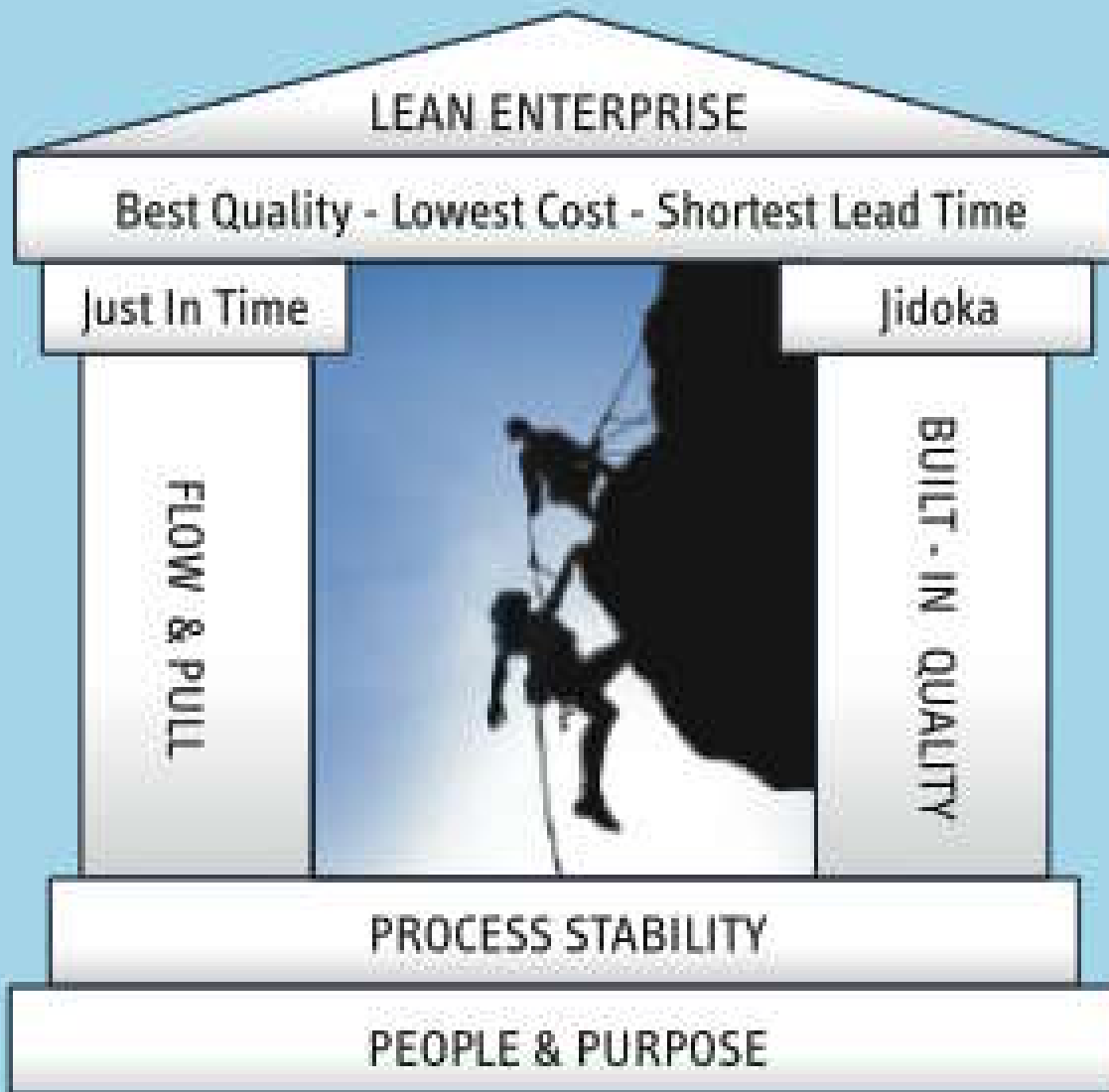
*Change Culture  
First  
(Conventional way)*

*Change System  
First  
(Lean Way)*



Where Do You Start - From Top or Bottom?

**john shook**



### Roof

Shorten production flow by eliminating waste and variation.

### Pillars

*Just in Time* - Flow, pull and levelling.

*Built in Quality (Jidoka)* - TPM, error proofing and visual control.

### Climbers

People development and teamwork is central.

### Foundation

*Process Stability* - standardised work, 5S, visual workplace, problem solving and continuous improvement.

*People & Purpose* - strong leadership, clear purpose, employee engagement, development and mutual trust.

<b>Lean tools</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Example in simulation</b>
Value stream mapping	Visual, team-based & structured approach	Used to plan improvements
5S	Workplace organisation reduces waste & highlight problems	Maintenance toolbox
Visual management	Provides information & highlights problems	Standard work Quality standard
Error proofing	Quality at source	Fusing template
Standard work	The current safest & most efficient method is used by all operators	Operations
Total productive maintenance (TPM)	Reduces equipment related downtime	Discussion
Quick changeover	Reduces downtime due to changing products	Discussion

<b>Lean tools</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Example in simulation</b>
Point of use storage	Reduces wasted motion & transportation	Dot dispensing
Work balancing	Balances work to takt time	Balancing line
Continuous flow	Reduces product delays between sequential steps	Reduced batch sizes to one piece flow -round 4
Pull systems	Links production through replenishment	Kanban system
Production levelling	Reduces variation in demand and work rates	Discussion
Rapid improvement event (Kaizen)	Intensive team based workshop	Laser cutting improvement

## Percentage of Benefits Achieved



*“In times of profound change, the learners inherit the earth, while the learned find themselves beautifully equipped to deal with a world that no longer exists.”*

*Al Rogers*

