## DEMATIC

We Optimize Your Supply Chain



### **RESPONSIVE, FLEXIBLE AND RELIABLE PERFORMANCE**

Cost Drivers Return on Investment Space Efficiency Productivity Efficient Supply Chain Design

Inventory Drivers Inventory Reduction Supply Chain Consolidation Number of SKUs Cost & Service Levels Service Level Drivers Accuracy Delivery Lead Time More Smaller Orders High Throughput

External Factors Government Legislation OH&S Lot and Batch Tracking New Competition



Strategic

Logistics

Alignment

Using strategy to develop the best logistics solution for you

Diverse technologies and applications can lead to a wide range of solutions geared to produce different results. Very high service levels, for example,

may require additional inventory to minimize stock outs. On the other hand, additional inventory increases total supply chain costs. Short lead times demand high order velocity with flexible systems and processes.

In tight competitive markets, lowest cost per item delivered may determine competitive advantage. Each solution can be designed to achieve the necessary result, but there is a tradeoff.

In choosing the right solution, you need look no further than your own Strategic Business Plan. It is here that the clues will be found. At Dematic, we group the drivers, determine the best fit for you and design a solution that creates strategically aligned logistics results.

#### **Global Trends Affecting Manufacturing**

- Supply chain pull has shifted inventory back up the supply chain to the manufacturer
- OH&S legislation is becoming increasingly restrictive
- Product ranges (SKUs) proliferate as consumer tastes diversify
- Cost of labor increases while availability decreases
- Cost of land increasing
- Legislation and consumer pressure driving need for greater supply chain visibility

#### Implications of Global Trends

- Supply chain lead time is dramatically reduced
- Automation of manual processes to deal with labor availability & OH&S issues
- Manufacturers deliver smaller orders, more often, in tighter delivery windows
- Visibility, flexibility and responsiveness is critical to service level performance
- More complex order fulfillment
- Distribution is centralized
- Manufacturers value-add through:
  - Faster response times
  - Delivery reliability
  - Greater accuracy
  - Lot and batch tracking
  - Quality control





The Manufacturing Challenge



Centralized manufacturing and distribution leverages scale and increases justification for automated processes

Getting your products to market on time and at a competitive price is becoming increasingly challenging. Retailers are demanding smaller, more frequent deliveries and tighter delivery windows. Understanding how to meet changing

market demands as efficiently and cost-effectively as possible is core to the success of your business. And it is a never ending challenge, because technology and service expectations are constantly changing.



Centralized distribution makes the supply chain more efficient and reduces non-value adding transactions to a minimum.

Manufacturers are taking a wider view. End to end supply chain issues are considered just as important as manufacturing processes.

Legislative changes and labor availability make it harder than ever to manually handle more complicated orders and meet higher supply chain velocity.

Although centralization allows scale effects, traditional long manufacturing runs are no longer possible. Manufacturers are facing ever-reducing supply chain lead times forcing a consolidation of inventory and processes. Your target is to add value by lowering costs, speeding delivery, offering higher service levels, with greater accuracy, and providing your customers and suppliers with greater control and visibility.

Meeting the challenge can lead to success and considerable competitive advantage.

Through extensive applications knowledge, industry leading technology and a global breadth of integration experience, Dematic can create logistics results for your company that can in themselves become global benchmarks.



## Developing and implementing a solution for you







Complete solutions for receiving, storing, handling, transporting, palletizing, picking and dispatching your products

When you analyze the manufacturing process, it is a material flow challenge. You need to receive all of your raw

materials, store them until you are ready to make something, then bring them together in the correct sequence and quantities.

You then transform the raw materials into products and package them for ease of handling and transport.

Efficient handling, storage and material flow is essential at all stages of your supply chain to optimize your competitive advantage.

Receiving

Auto-Truck Unloading

Integrated IT & Material

**RF & RFID AutoID** 

Handling Systems



for Online Buffer Storage



Carton/Case Handling

Transport, Accumulation, Merging & Sorting Systems



Ergonomic Manual Palletizing Workstations Automated Palletizing Storage & Handling

Unit Load Handling & Transportation Automated Storage & Retrieval Systems

### Picking Solutions

Wireless Picking Solutions: RF, RFID, Voice & Pick to Light Case Picking & Pallet Building

### Management & Control

Seamless IT Systems Integration & Material Flow Control Carton, Case & Crate Handling Solutions





# End of line product handling and transportation options

When it comes to handling, storing and shipping finished goods no one understands the challenges you face better than we do.

At Dematic, we deal with the problem every day and have a successful track record of turning it into a competitive advantage for many of the world's leading manufacturers.

From different ways of safely and reliably transporting your goods to where you want them, keeping track of them, storing them efficiently until you need to pick and ship to customers, we can show you a better way. As manufactured goods exit the production line, they are packaged and packed in cartons or cases for handling and transport.

The most efficient way to handle and transport products over distance is by conveyor, and there are a wide variety of conveyor systems to suit different product characteristics and performance requirements.

In developing a production handling system we design for maximum system uptime using reliable, proven conveyor technologies. Transport conveyors, typically powered roller or belt conveyors, and accumulation conveyors interface to any number of devices such as elevators, storage systems, inducts, merges, diverts, in-line check weighers, shipping stations or palletizing.

High speed production lines feeding robotic palletizing operations typically require a buffer to ensure system effectiveness. True zero-pressure accumulation conveyors minimize production interruptions and maximize total system efficiency.

## End of line handling and storage options

Production Line

Finished Goods including Cartons, Crates, Cases, Trays Carton Handling & Transport

Transport, Accumulation & Sorting Conveyors

### Palletizing

Manual Palletizing to Ergonomic Pallet Building Platform Dedicated Palletizers

### Unit Load Handling

Integrated Pallet Handling Conveyors Automated Electrified Monorails & AGVs



Automated Storage & Retrieval Systems Auto Truck Loading End of line conveyors are an essential link between manufacturing and distribution. They must be fast enough to take product away from production to prevent interruptions and be reliable, as any stoppage quickly flows back to the production line. 11

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High Speed Merging & Sorting Solutions



Comprehensive range of merging, inducting and sorting systems for high speed product sortation

Balanced product flow is a must for high volume distribution. Feeding a sorter consistently means on-time delivery to your customers. Balanced flow increases system throughput and eliminates bottlenecks.

Sound sortation system designs begins at the merge, which stages and feeds product continuously.

The induct identifies the product, works out where it's got to go and creates the gap for sortation allowing the sorter to run at optimal speed.

Straight Line Sorters are most costeffective where the number of sortation points required is relatively small, for instance, up to 40-50 delivery points, and throughput rates up to 12,000 items per hour\*.

Continuous Loop Sorters provide a much greater degree of functionality and flexibility, and may be designed to handle much higher throughput rates of up to 40,000 items per hour, as well as sort to several hundred delivery points.

They are also easier to merge goods onto, and may be used for other functions, such as transferring goods from one part of a facility to another, from one process to another, and consolidating items from various areas.

Different types of diverts can be used including sliding shoe, pivot arm, pop-up wheels, tilt-trays and crossbelt sorters, with selection based on factors including product characteristics, the speed of the conveyor and the required throughput.

\*Assumes average carton length of 400mm



Take-Away Sub-system



Manual & Automated Palletizing Solutions



The high cost of labor and increasingly restrictive OH&S regulations concerning manual handling makes a strong case for automated palletizing.

Automated palletizing systems provide reliable, around the clock performance, and may be designed to handle individual cartons or full pallet layers of goods in higher throughput applications.

Advances in product recognition technology including vision and profiling systems now enable robotic palletizers to handle mixed streams of goods and build pallets of mixed products.



Automation eliminates OH&S issues and delivers safe, consistent, reliable and cost-effective palletizing

Depending on manufacturing volume, a number of palletizing strategies are available.

### Manual Palletizing

Manual palletizing poses OH&S challenges, so ergonomic pallet building platforms may be used to minimize operator lift and rotation.

#### Gantry/Portal Robots

Gantry or Portal Robots can increase speed and flexibility with access to larger areas and more pallets.

### Articulated Robots

Articulated Robots further improve palletizing rates by offering even greater speed and flexibility of operation.

### The options for palletizing

Manual Palletizing

Low Volume

Palletizing to

Ergonomic Pallet

**Building Platform** 

Gantry/Portal Robots

Locations

Robotic Palletizing

Articulated

Multiple Palletizing Flexible, High Speed, **High Volume** 

Dedicated Mechanical Palletizing

Highest Throughput, Lowest Flexibility



Unit Load Handling Solutions





Unit load handling solutions for low, medium and high throughput applications

Dematic provides complete solutions for handling unit loads based on required throughput, pickup and delivery complexity.

Once the finished goods have been assembled into a palletized unit load, handling options range from manually operated techniques such as pallet trucks and forklifts, through to fully automated solutions such as Automated Guided Vehicles (AGVs), unit load conveyors, pallet shuttle carts and electrified overhead monorails.



### Low, medium and high throughput

Pallet Trucks, Forklifts

Low to Medium Volume Handling Automated Guided Vehicles (AGVs)

**Flexible Applications** 

Lower Volume,

Conveyor

Dedicated Application Medium to High Volume

Pallet

Electrified Overhead Monorails

High Speed Transport Ceiling-Mounted with Variety of Load Carriages

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Manual Storage Solutions





# Options for handling and storing your goods until you need them

Working Out What You Need Choosing the most cost-effective and efficient system must take into account:

- The number of products
- The volume of each product
- The movement rate
- The physical size and weight of the products to be stored
- · Expected growth; and
- A host of other matters including the type of materials handling equipment to be used.

#### Selective & Non-Selective Systems

Selective Racking Systems provide immediate, ready access to virtually all pallets. Non-Selective Racking Systems restrict access to individual pallets, but are more space efficient than Selective Systems.

Often the correct solution involves using a combination of Selective and Non-Selective Racking types to provide the optimum combination of access with space efficiency.

Selective Racking Systems are needed where there are a high number of SKUs with only a few pallets or less of each and include Selective, Double Deep and Narrow Aisle Rack. Non-Selective Racking Systems are appropriate where there are many pallets of each SKU and include Drive In and Push Back Rack, and Pallet Live Storage.

### Pallet Storage Occupancy

No pallet storage system can effectively use 100% of the space.

Non-Selective systems lose a higher percentage of space because there may be no pallets of the same SKU to fill all of the available slots in a lane:

#### **Effective Storage Capacity**

- 95% Selective
- 85% Double-Deep
- 70-85% Pallet Live Storage/Push Back Rack depending on lane depth
- 60-75% Drive-In depending on lane depth and height.

### Manual storage options for unit loads

Selective Rack Double Deep Rack

100% Selectivity Normal to Narrow Aisle Space Saving Requires Special Forklift Drive-In Rack

Dense Storage High

Volume Applications

**FILO** 

Push Back & Pallet Flow Rack

High Density FIFO

Auto Stock Rotation

Non-Pallet Storage Racks

Custom Storage Applications

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Automated warehousing requires much less space than forklift operations, enabling substantial savings in

you to either free up additional floor space (left) or store up to three times more in the same areas (right).

land, building and floor space costs. Compared to forklift operations (center), automated warehousing allows

Automated Storage Solutions



Automated storage solutions provide:

- Space savings
- Lower building costs
- Improved productivity and throughput
- More efficient material flow
- Reductions in inventory
- Accurate, error-free operation
- Reduced product damage
- Safer and cleaner operations
- Improved security
- Less people and wheeled equipment
- Increased reliability
- Reduced operating costs (labor, maintenance, electricity)
- Better ROI and lower lifecycle cost

# Save space, maximize your storage capacity and minimize costs



#### The Dematic Storage Cube

The Dematic Storage Cube is a new lowcost, pre-configured AS/RS specifically designed for manufacturing applications. It includes all hardware, software and controls and offers a cost-effective alternative to traditional storage and handling.

The Dematic Storage Cube can fulfill the role of raw materials warehouse, dynamic buffer store for kitting and assembly, and full pallet picking.

By teaming our advanced technology with cost effective, locally sourced components, we provide an excellent combination of performance, productivity and value for money.

#### Applications

- Any manufacturer who wants low cost, reliable pallet storage and handling
- Existing facilities where improving space efficiency is necessary
- Operations requiring reliable JIT delivery
- Work-in-process & raw material storage



Wireless Picking Solutions



Real-time wireless picking solutions with smart IT & material flow control

Enterprise-wide, real-time information management and communications systems are vital to ensure you know what is going where, and when, at any given time of the day.

The use of wireless data networks to real-time enable the transfer of data is now a standard feature of most DCs.

RF, RFID and Voice-Directed Computing reduce errors, improve OH&S and productivity and provide real-time track and trace functionality from goods receipt to dispatch. A wide variety of technologies exist to improve the efficiency of product or unit load picking.

These include:

- Wireless (RF) mobile computers
- Voice-directed computing
- Pick-to-Light systems

These technologies are used with numerous picking concepts to maximize productivity and throughput.

Voice-directed order picking prompts the operator through a series of tasks with clear, verbal commands.

These are transmitted in real-time by a radio frequency (RF) system that interfaces with the user's host WMS or ERP system.

The operator wears a small headset and the lightweight, portable voice-computer is attached to a belt around their waist.

This keeps both hands free at all times while picking and, because the operator doesn't need to waste time looking at and reading the data on a screen or picking list, OH&S and productivity are significantly enhanced.

### Enabling technologies for picking





### Automated Picking Solutions



As retailers demand smaller, more frequent deliveries, manufacturers are seeking a more cost-effective solution to case, layer and mixed pallet building.

New developments in vision and laser recognition systems, and pallet building software, have enabled significant advances in automated picking.

A variety of Robotic and Dedicated Layer Pickers with a multitude of flexible gripper heads are available to suit most package types.

Designed to operate in multi-shift applications, these technologies offer significant advantages to manufacturers.



Auto picking of cases, layers and full pallets increases accuracy, reduces cost and eliminates manual operations

Automated picking solutions which provide accurate, reliable and flexible operation, are becoming increasingly available including

- AS/RS for pallets and unit loads, such as totes and crates
- Multi-shuttles, a new concept for retrieving unit loads
- Robotic and dedicated layer pickers
- Vision-enabled robotic case picking
- Automated case sequencing systems.

Manually assembling pallets with layers is a labor-intensive, physically demanding and costly exercise.

Automated Layer Pickers are fast, reliable and cost-effective options for handling whole layers of almost any product, from cases to shrink-wrapped packs of bottles and cans.

They enable the user to assemble multiproduct pallets to customer orders without the costs, OH&S concerns and product damage associated with manual handling.



Automated layer picking systems give the ability to build sandwich or rainbow pallets.



Systems Integration Management & Control



High speed production handling systems rely on the seamless integration of equipment controls and software.

Interfacing these sub-systems with the host computer is essential for efficient material flow and machine control, but also captures essential transaction data for the Historian database.

Potential legislative changes concerning the traceability of manufactured goods, along with retailer requirements, will lead to a greater need for track and trace in manufacturing logistics applications.



Real time, integrated order management, material flow & machine control software

Efficient material flow and control requires real-time data communications.

This functionality is provided via the Warehouse Control System (WCS), which interfaces with the Warehouse Management System (WMS) and/or the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system.

The WCS communicates in real-time with all of the various sub-system elements, such as package handling and unit load handling conveyors, automated storage and retrieval systems (AS/RS), sorters, palletizers and the like, and is responsible for location control, material flow control and order fulfillment.

Wireless real-time data communications including Radio Frequency (RF) systems and Voice-Directed Computing may also be interfaced to the WCS, or directly to the WMS, if it is real-time enabled.







Dematic 24/7 Service & Support



Dematic Sprocket: your lifecycle partner delivering value

#### **Dematic Maintenance Services**

- Technical phone support
- Spare parts services
- Equipment condition assessment
- Preventative maintenance
- Scheduled repairs
- Emergency service
- Supplemental resident support
- Equipment safety assessment
- Training
- Software and hardware support
- Radio frequency wireless support

As logistics systems become more complex and sophisticated, so too does the task of maintaining their performance.

Dematic has the expertise and capabilities to optimize the efficiency of those systems throughout their many years of operation at the lowest total cost.

The key to maximizing the efficiency of service operations is not to spend more money on service, it is about spending more money on the areas which need it and less on those that don't. Because no two systems are the same, and no two customers have the same requirements, we tailor service programs to meet mutually agreed performance and cost goals.

For some customers, this means we fulfill a total system support role, while for others we supplement their own in-house maintenance personnel.



All of our service products are designed to maximize the productivity or "uptime" of your system. You choose the level of support that best suits your business needs. Dematic service and support. Wherever you are, we are, 24/7. F

