

CERMEX ROBOTICS

# PRODUCT HANDLING AND CASE PACKING



*Performance  
through  
Understanding*



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## PRODUCT HANDLING



### Pre-collation / batch forming

- Batch preparation prior to case packing /shrink-wrapping Unstable but stackable products collated in a forming frame
- Products oriented according to configuration and display requirements
- Handling of individual or multiple products



### Product flow management

- Continuous flow distribution between several gripping arms (from one to x number of connected plug & play robots) with no accumulation
- Machine operation by standard software controlling a wide variety of algorithms to permanently optimize flow management
  - Machine start-up, run-out...
  - Batch collation, case loading, assortment
  - Degraded modes for production continuity if an incident occurs
- Interfacing with detection systems (sensor, 2D vision, 3D scanner, etc.)



### Lightweight tooling

- 30% reduction on average in relation to traditional gripping heads
  - Association of composite materials (carbon, aluminum in a honeycomb structure)
  - Agglomerated polymers by 3D printing
- Various types of gripping tooling to preserve products: membranes, suction cups, grippers
- Optimization of the choice of loading arms, saving in energy Protection of tooling by "intelligent" head safety mechanism, depending on the application



### Product assortment

- Forming of mixed product batches
  - Directly in the robot tooling
  - Robotic preparation upstream from the case packer depending on the speed and number of lanes/product references
- Flexible solution for format changeovers
- All configurations can be parameterized on the Human Machine Interface (HMI)

## CASE PACKING



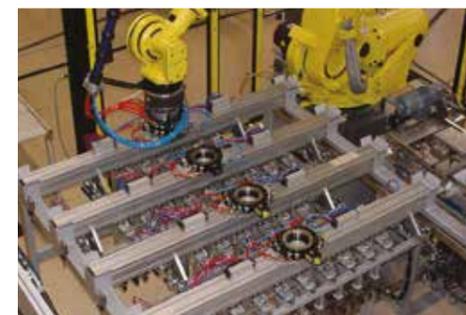
### Complete range of loading arms

- Loading arms from 2 to 6 axes
- Optimization of the choice of arm depending on speed, payload and layout criteria
- Compliance with manufacturer guidelines for increased life span
- Smooth and accurate movements with optimum product protection
- Controlled presentation of products in the transit packaging



### Flexible products

- Perfectly adapted to bags, stand-up pouches (Doypacks®), flowpacks, etc.
- Handling of products upright or lying flat
- Precise movements to protect products whatever their contents (liquid, solid, pasty, viscous) and features (cap, straw, etc.)
- Modular design allowing unit to be sized in accordance with the required speed and product contents/weight



### Automatic format changeovers

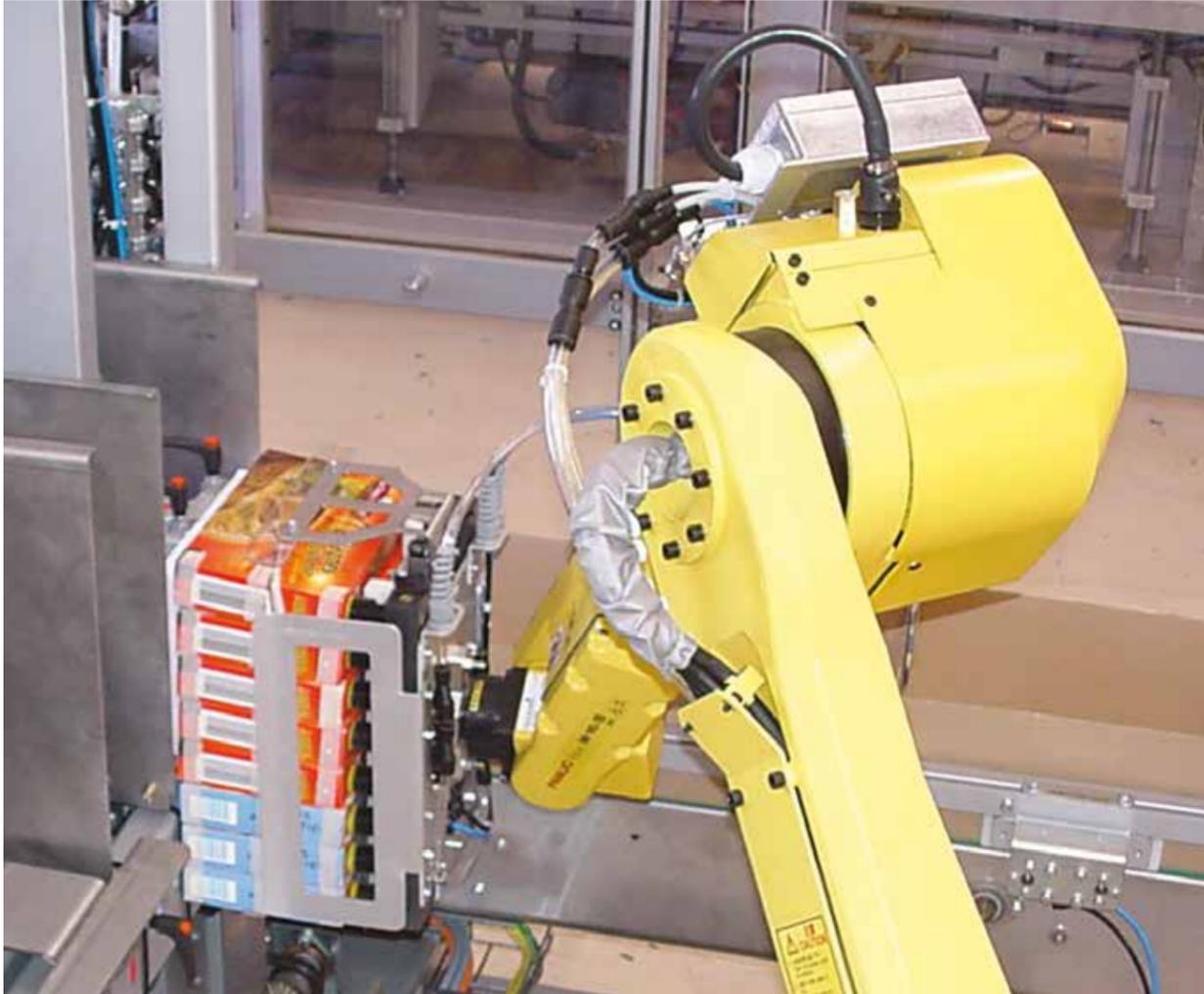
- Easy-to-dismantle gripping tooling (as a whole or grippers only)
- Robot capable of changing automatically
  - its gripping tooling
  - other tooling on the machine (loading funnel, comb, etc.)
  - certain adjustments



### HMI and additional operations

- Advanced PC-based Human Machine Interface allowing natural interaction between the operator, the robots and other peripheral elements, without expertise in robotics
- Trajectory configuration, step by step modes, help views centralized on the HMI
- Optional management of layer card and product wedge insertion
- Product quality control by 2D or 3D vision system and Track & Trace function for serialization

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- Complete range of robot loading arms to meet all speed/payload/layout requirements
- Simplification of product collation for improved access as well as greater speed/ease in format changeovers
- Customized, lightweight gripping tooling
- Flexibility and versatility of the robot concept

# FOR FLEXIBLE PACKAGING



## ROBOTIZATION BROADENS YOUR HORIZONS FOR PACKING FLEXIBLE PRODUCTS INTO CASES:

### ADVANTAGES

- Simplification of product collation for improved access as well as greater speed/ease in size changeovers
- Smooth and accurate movements thanks to Delta, 4 or 6-axis robots
- Pendulum design of robots giving maximum operator access
- Freedom in layout of product and case conveyors
- 2D or 3D vision system for robot guiding and product quality control (option)

### PERFORMANCE

- Machine operation based on standard software controlling a wide variety of algorithms to permanently optimize flow management: start-up, run-outs, degraded mode for production continuity if an incident occurs
- Speed: 50 to 300 products per minute
- Customized, lightweight gripping tooling (with grippers, suction cups, etc.) in carbon/aluminum or agglomerated polymers by 3D printing

- Solution perfectly adapted to products that are unstable, deformable or difficult to accumulate
- Principle based on the combination of standard plug & play modules (comprising a frame and robot gripping arm) and flow distribution intelligence
- Complete range of robot loading arms to meet all speed/payload/layout requirements



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