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Danish-Bavarian Workshop on Robotics/ICT in Horizon 2020



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A brief overview of fortiss

Bavarian research institute with a focus on computer science

Research Institute of the Free State of Bavaria

Affiliated Institute of the Tech. Univ. Munich

Bavarian Center for Applied Al





offices in Munich

180 employees

Research on methods of

- Software development
- Systems & service engineering
- Robust AI-based solutions
- Reliable, secure cyber-physical systems

Transfer to industry, in particular SMEs

IBM fortiss Center for Al

DIH Munich Innovation Hub for Applied Al



60 running research projects



150 current research partners

Al-related services of fortiss

Overview



Training courses, seminar series, hands-ons, tutorials

Events to impart theoretical knowledge and practical experience on current technologies

Meet-Ups, Symposia

Open event with lectures about the latest research results, demonstrations, hands-ons and networking opportunities. Example: Conference "AI for SMEs" with 160 participants

Information events Contract research Research networks Realization Realization Realization Research Environments

Coachings, quick checks, analyses of Al solutions' potential

Company-specific workshops for the individual further development of employees and discussion/exploration of problems and its solutions

Individual solution

Individual company solutions - with a research character - such as the development of prototypes can also be developed specifically for companies.



Provision of hardware and software infrastructures for companies to try out and test new technologies



Public funded projects

Research partner for companies within the framework of joint research projects and support for research-relevant issues

DIH Munich



Munich Innovation Hub for Applied Al

Vision and mission

The DIH Munich provides Al-related services from exploration to business solution to foster digital expertise

Jointly operated by

fortiss





Key Al expertise

Machine Learning

Deep learning, reinforcement learning

Reasoning & decision making

Planning/scheduling, search/optimization, knowledge representation

Robotics

Control, perception, sensors and actuators, integration in cyber-physical systems

Key Al services

Consulting

Start-Up creation and

support

Qualification

Realization

Assisted test environments

Contract research

Research networks

Partner platform activities

Information events

Exchange & education

Engineering

Analyses of AI solutions' potential

https://s3platform.jrc.ec.europa.eu/digital-innovation-hubs-tool/-/dih/12409/view

Robotics

- Natural human-robot interaction
- Intuitive instruction for users without expert knowledge in robotics
- Flexible production of small lot sizes
- Knowledge-based Digital Engineering
- Software & systems engineering for robotics



Research topics

From high-level reasoning to low-level control



Human-centric robot instruction

Robust recognition of human input through fusion of various input modalities

Intention recognition & dialog management

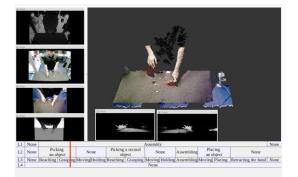
Social aspects of HRI



Semantic integration of heterogeneous engineering data

Linking of data for automatic generation of robot programs

Rich semantic context information of all aspects from design, engineering, and execution

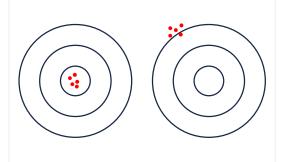


Integration of symbolic & subsymbolic AI techniques

Bridging the gap between different reasoning approaches

Plausibility checking on subsymbolic decision making

Leveraging symbolic models in subsymbolic learning



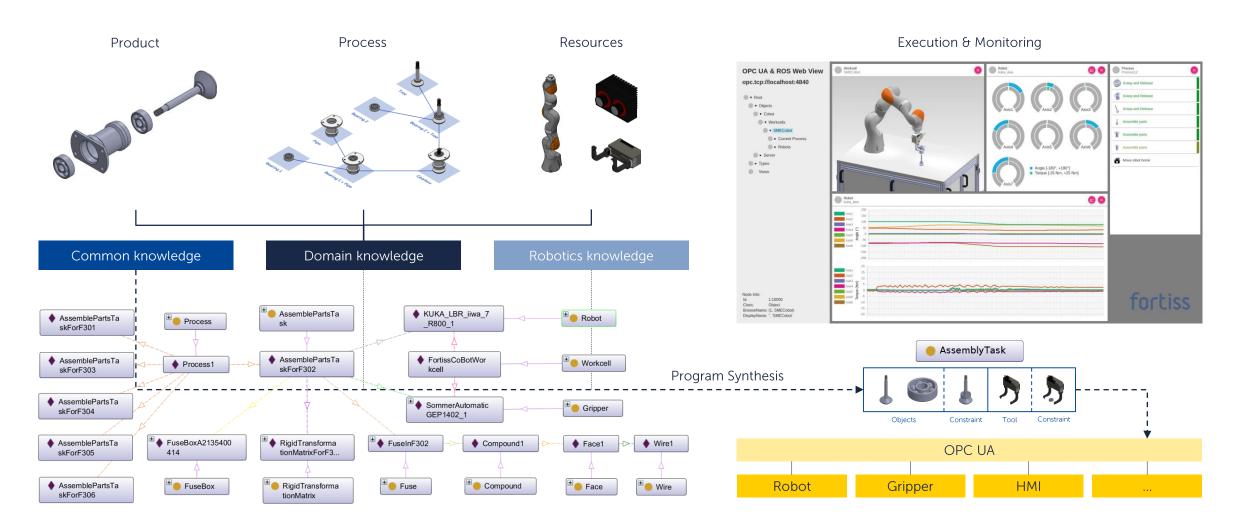
Generation of robust robotic control programs

Handling of uncertainty in product models, sensor signals, algorithms, and actuators

Unstructured and uncertain environments

Example: Product-centric instruction of robots

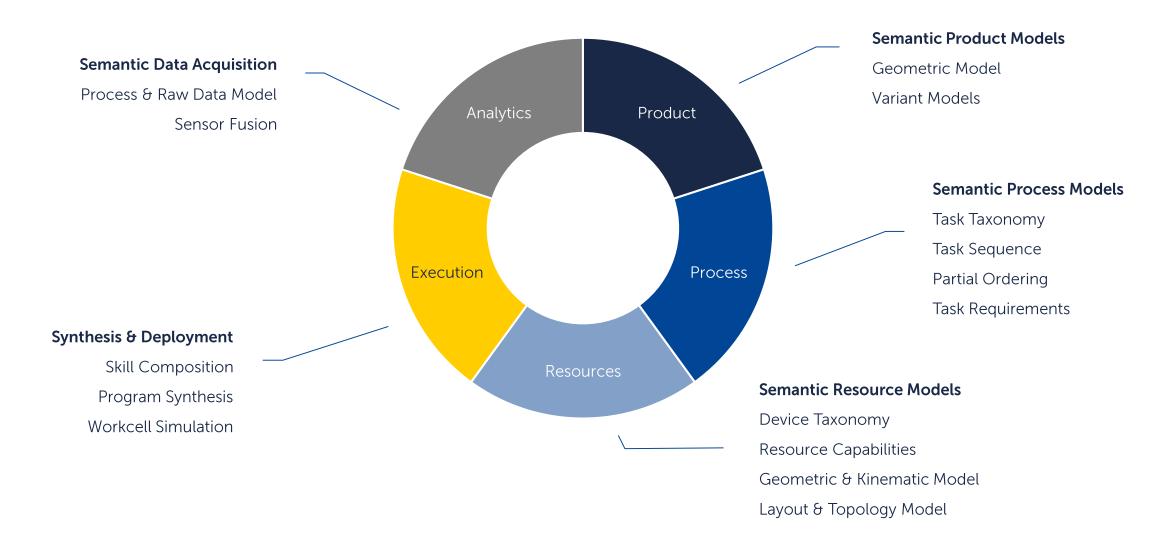
Knowledge-based program synthesis for small lot production



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Digital engineering

A model-driven development approach



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Applications & evaluation

Recent use cases

Gearbox assembly

Woodworking

Fuse insertion

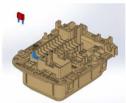














	TeachPad	Intuitive
Programing of assembly task from scratch (4 parts)	48 min.	8 min.
Adaptation of object positions in existing program	23 min.	0 min.
Adaptation of process parameters (approach pose for 2 objects)	5 min.	2 min.

	TeachPad	Intuitive
Programming of process of wood domain from scratch (2 pick & place operations, 10 nailing lines, 4 sawing lines)	47 min.	14 min.
Adaptation of order of existing program	1.5 min.	0.2 min.

Project "Data Backbone"	' (ZD.B/StMWi Bavaria)
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Partner: Lisa Dräxlmaier GmbH

Semantic integration of relevant data along value chain

Automatic generation of process models based on incoming orders and available knowledge

Automatic deployment, execution, and monitoring of modelled processes in automation workcells

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What we are looking for

Project partners, end users, use cases

In particular for the following open calls and topics:

ICT-46-2020 (RIA)

- Al and Cognition
- Socially cooperative human-robot interaction
- Model-based design and configuration tools

ICT-46-2020 (IA)

Agile production

ICT-47-2020

• Development of variable autonomy systems that significantly extend and enhance the operator's awareness of the working environment. Sharing autonomy between a human operator and a robot can speed up operations and raise productivity.

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