

# **Investor Day**

## Measurement and Automation Product Division

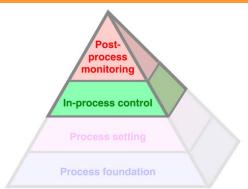
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#### **Customer needs**

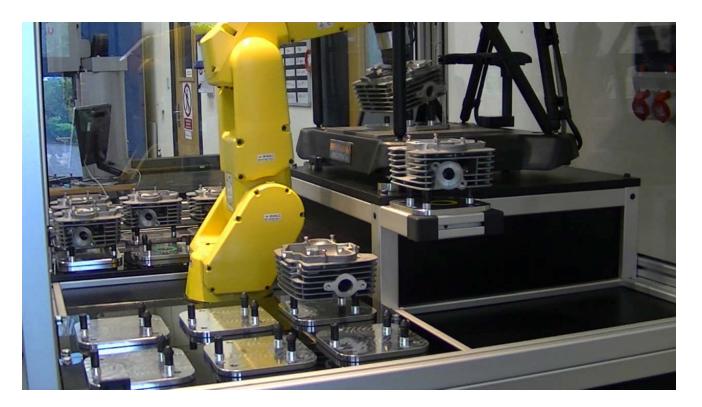
- Markets and drivers
  - Automotive, Aerospace, Consumer Electronics
  - A range of supplier tiers



- Demonstration of traceability & compliance (especially to higher tiers)
- Increase of throughput with minimal capital expenditure
- Reduction of Total Cost of Ownership / investment to meet customer needs
- Reduction of scrap
- Lack of in-house metrology expertise = more willingness to look outside



#### **Engineering solutions – product and process**





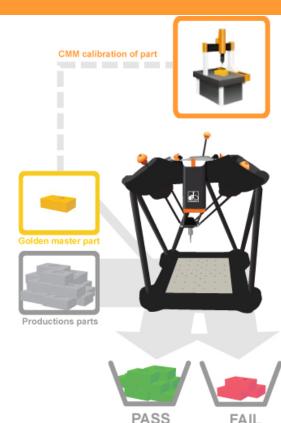
#### **Engineering solutions – process**

A unique approach to gauging (checking) parts

- 1. Calibrate the master part on any CMM
- 2. Measure the master part on Equator
- 3. Compare subsequent parts to the master part
- 4. Equator now measures relative to CAD nominals

Measurements certified by using calibrated master

Comparison uncertainty ± 0.002 mm or better





#### **Engineering solutions – hardware**

- Contrasting custom gauges, traditional 3-axis CMMs and Equator
- EQ300 and EQ300 Extended Height
  - A comparator for medium to high volume gauging
  - Robust: proven on the shop-floor and thermally 'insensitive'
  - Switch between multiple parts, re-program for design changes
  - Considerably lower cost than typical custom gauges







Automation I/O unit



#### **Engineering solutions – software**



- Simple programme select/run interface design for shop-floor operators
- From manual part loading, to fully-automated machining cells
- Easy interface to 3<sup>rd</sup> party software (AutoComp, SPC packages, etc.)



## **Successful outcomes**

# **Conroe Automation, USA**

- ✓ "The turning cell paid for itself in 18 days"
- Traditional CMM slower; traditional custom gauge more costly and difficult to set up
- Automation for fully unmanned operation to increase throughput
- ✓ 100% inspection to ensure only correct parts are shipped
- ✓ Tool offset correction using Equator data





## **Successful outcomes**

# Kishan Auto, India

- ✓ Increased throughput
- ✓ Reduced cost of gauge ownership
- ✓ Catering for a wide range of shop floor temperatures ( $19^{\circ}C \rightarrow 40^{\circ}C$ )
- One Equator machine inspects multiple conrod variants



- ✓ Now able to offer 100% inspection & guarantee quality to their customers
- ✓ "Equator has taken us to another level"