

PRODUCT DESIGN AND DIGITAL DEVELOPMENT

Digital Automation Engineering
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Objectives

- Design an industrial automation system
- Understand the main phases of the development process
- Use digital tools to develop the automation system
- Focus on industrial **robots** and **cobots**



Course structure

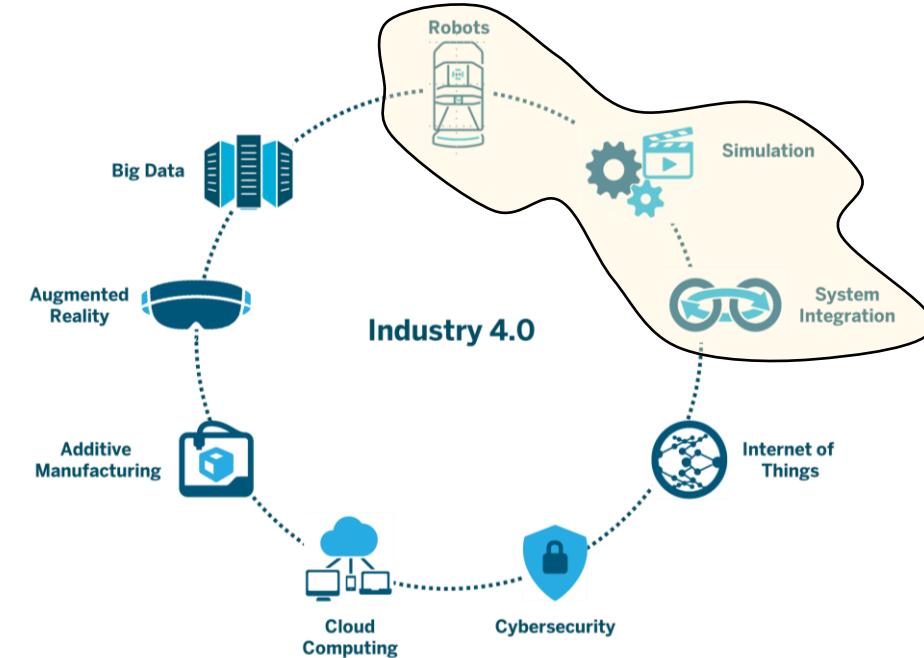
- 6CFU → 3CFU **Theory** + 3CFU **Lab**
- *Learning by doing approach*

Theoretical modules

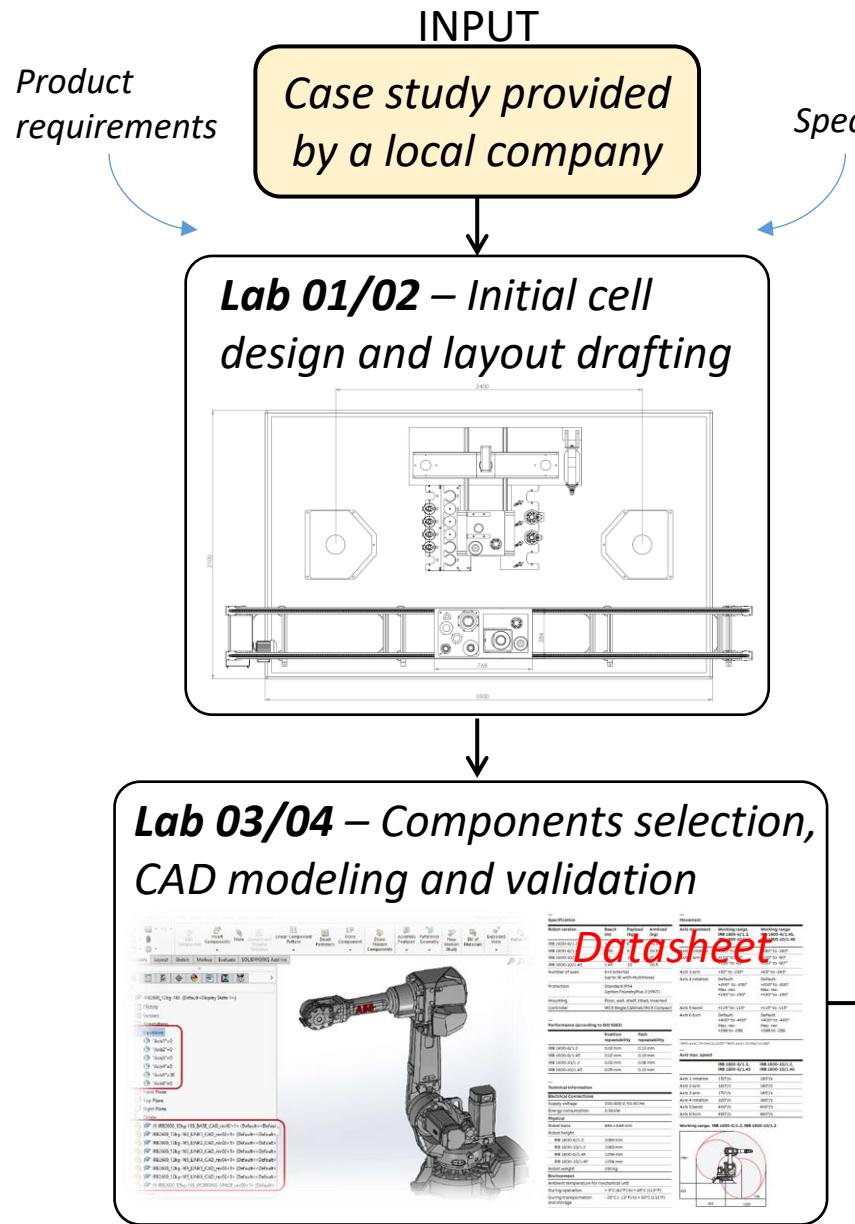
1. Methods and tools to support the design and development of industrial products and automation systems
2. Conceptual design and embodiment design
3. Geometry representation
4. Virtual Prototyping techniques
5. Information management in the product life cycle



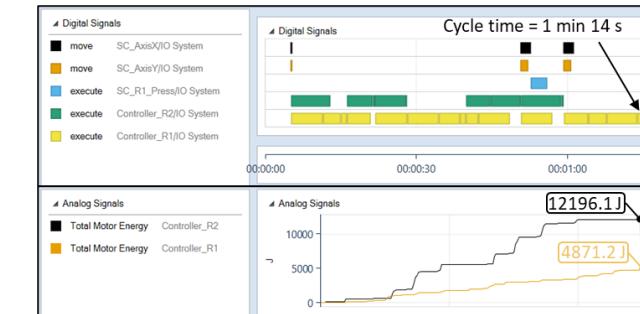
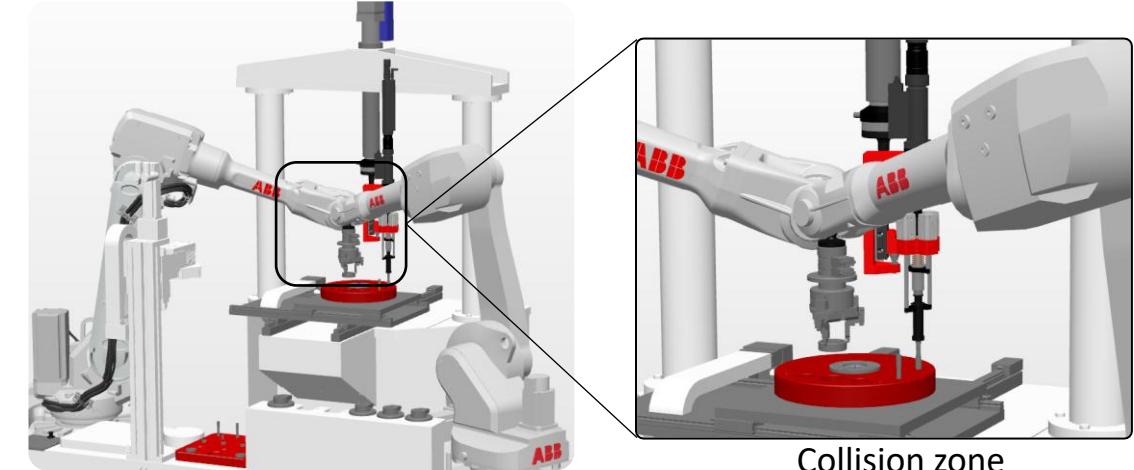
Lab Exercises → hands-on experience on industrial case study



Lab Exercises → Design of a novel industrial automated cell



Lab 05/08 – Virtual prototyping and performance simulation

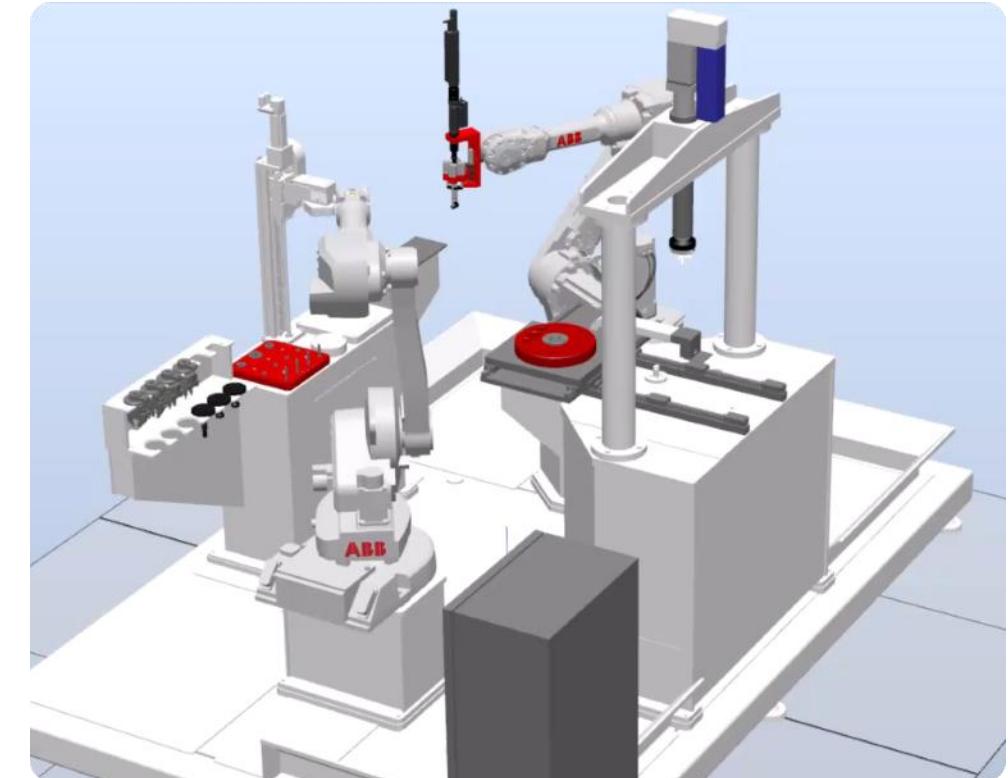
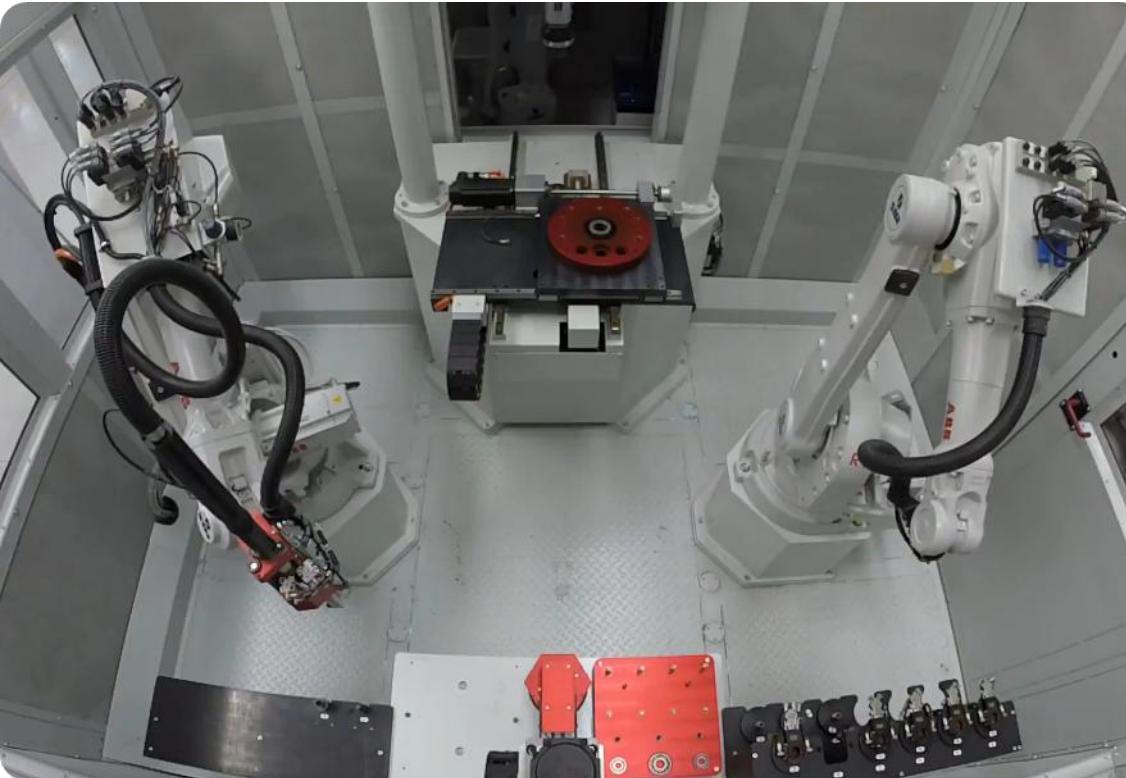


- Signal monitoring
- Logic sequencing
- Cycle time optimization
- Energy consumption

Technical Report

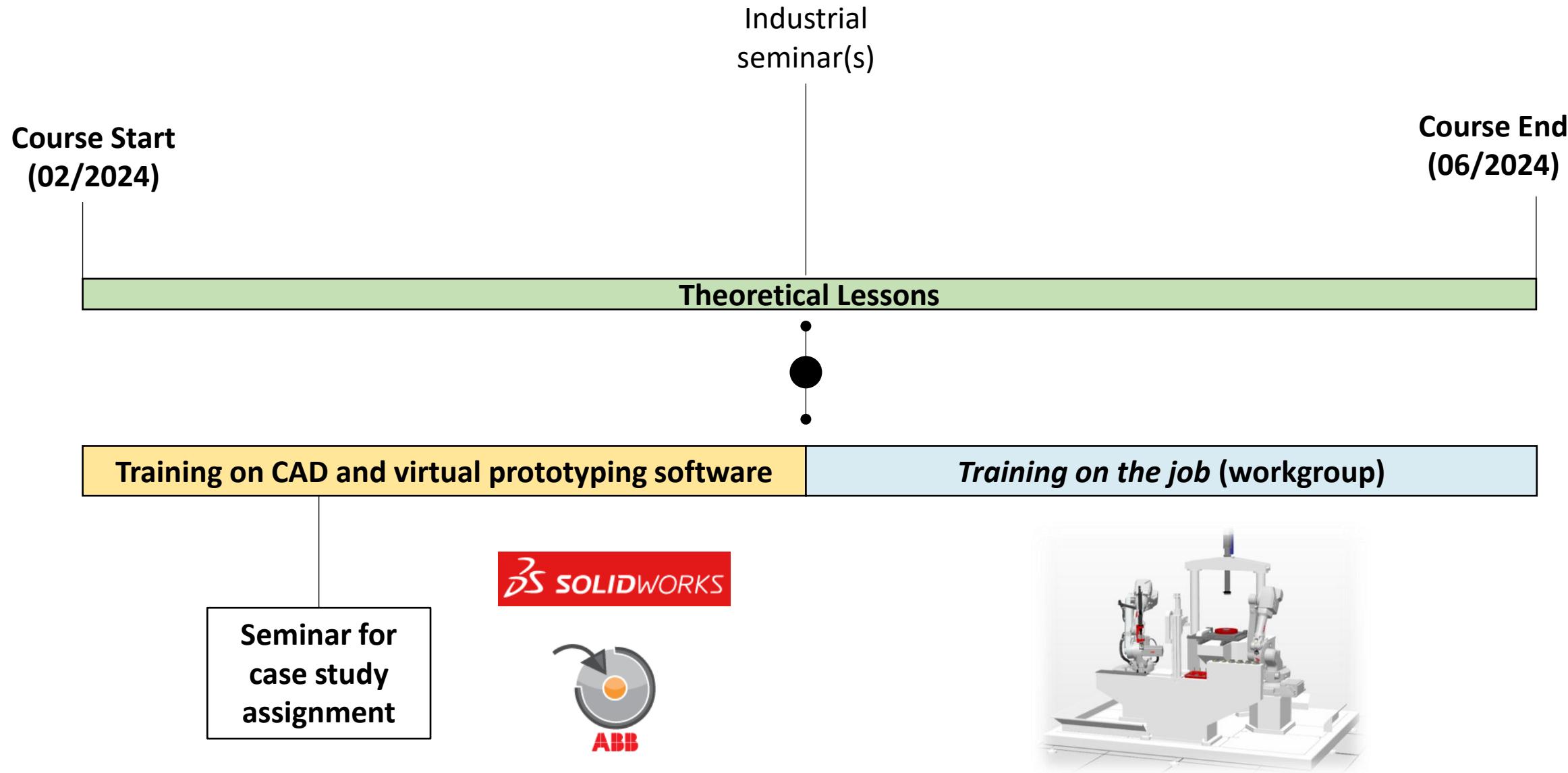
OUTPUT

Example of automated cell (video)



Extended simulation visible at this [link](#)

Timeline



Verification of learning

Step 1: Submit files and **technical report**

Step 2: Oral Exam

- Presentation of group project (2-3 people) + discussion **50% of final score**
- 2-3 questions related to theoretical topics **50% of final score**