

# Poka Yoke Solutions for Error-proof Packing & Labeling

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# What is Poka Yoke?

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A Japanese term that means incorporating a mechanism (e.g. a technology) into a process, either to prevent errors from occurring, or to alert the operator if an error is being made so it can be immediately corrected.

## SPEDE Automated Solutions:

1. Focus on *error-prevention*
2. Integrate a variety of new and legacy technologies into business processes
3. Automate and error-proof these processes:
  - Part identification
  - Part validation
  - Part counting
  - Defect detection / diverting
  - Packaging / dunnage control
  - Container labeling



# SPEDE Poka Yoke Solutions

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## SPEDE Solutions interface to a variety of technologies:

- PLCs
- Weigh Scales
- Vision Sensors
- Conveyors / Diverters
- USB Cameras
- OCR
- Barcode and 2D scanners
- Label Printers
- Host ERP, EDI, OEE Systems



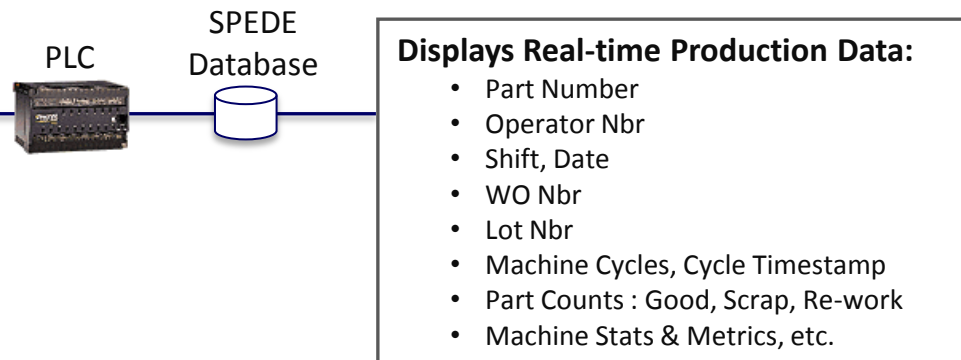
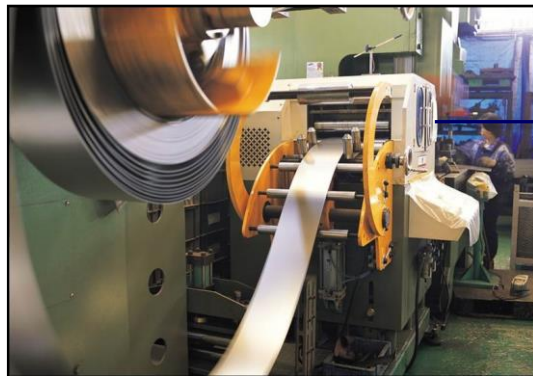
PLC-controlled Print & Apply Labeling

*\* Supports Poka Yoke Requirements for Honda MPR Compliance*

# Poka Yoke - Using PLCs for Labeling Control

## The PLC supplies the Part Nbr, Run Data, Piece Count

- Ensures the printed label matches the part being made
  - Triggers a label when a pack count of “Good” Parts is reached
  - Can interface to test jigs to identify Scrap
  - Can use a SPEDE PLC if no production machine PLC is there
- SPEDE controls piece counts at Start of Run, End of Run
  - SPEDE controls partial packs & counts at End of Run, End of Shift
  - SPEDE collects PLC data for Traceability, Accountability, OEE analysis
    - Can display real-time production data at line-side on TouchScreen



# Poka Yoke - Using Weigh Scales for Labeling

## Weigh scales eliminate manual counts and guesstimates

### SPEDE interfaces to Weigh Scales

- SPEDE receives weight for piece counting or full pallet validation
- Adjustable tolerances accommodate piece weight variances
- Automatically prints a label when weight/count is correct
  - Option: displays “print button” on Touchscreen when weight/count is correct
  - Operator touches “print button” to print the label
- Actual weights are collected and stored with label data in the Label Database
- Optional integration with Vision can provide:
  - Vision-check to ensure part is correct
  - Weight verification to ensure part is placed in dunnage



Weigh Scale Can Trigger Labels to Print

# Poka Yoke - Using Vision Sensors for Labeling

**Vision Sensors can prevent errors in identifying, counting and packing parts**

## **SPEDE uses Vision Sensors for:**

- Pack and Re-pack control
- Part Validation: Is this part good, scrap or rework?
- Part Verification: Is this the correct part for this process?
- Part Counting for accurate Pack Count
- Kit Validation: Is this Kit complete and correct?
- Dunnage layer validation: are all slots filled in this layer?
- Can also read 2D serial on individual parts for accurate counts and serial traceability



Keyence Vision Sensor

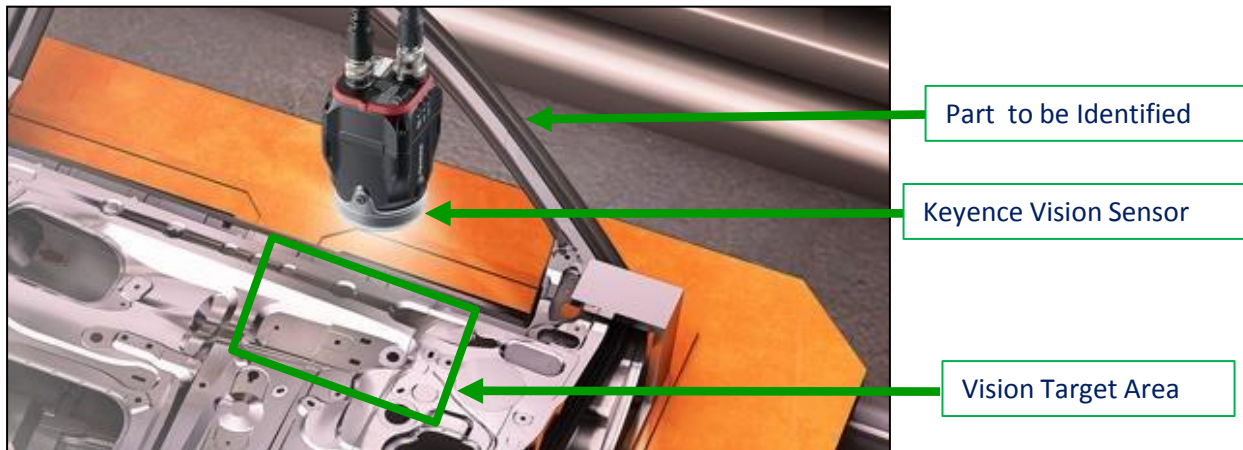


Vision can detect open slots in this Jack Kit

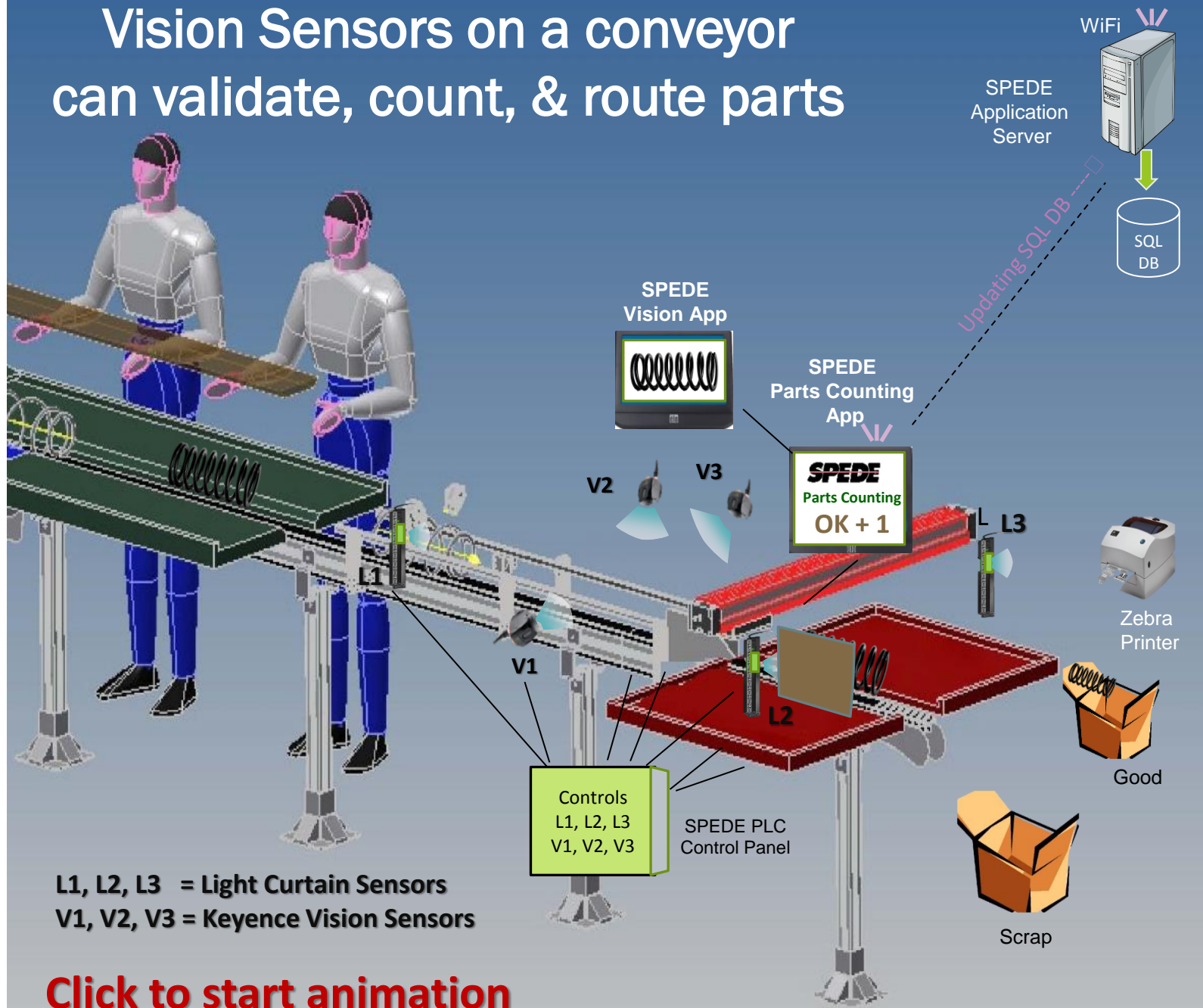
# Vision Sensors for Error-proof Packing

## How SPEDE Uses Vision

- Vision Sensor is “trained” to recognize a part number by its unique attribute
- At Packing, the part is moved under the sensor
- Sensor uses image capture & pixel analysis to identify the part
- If part is correct, the running part count is incremented
- If part is wrong, an audio/visual signal prevents a packing error
- When pack count is reached, SPEDE prints a container label



# Vision Sensors on a conveyor can validate, count, & route parts



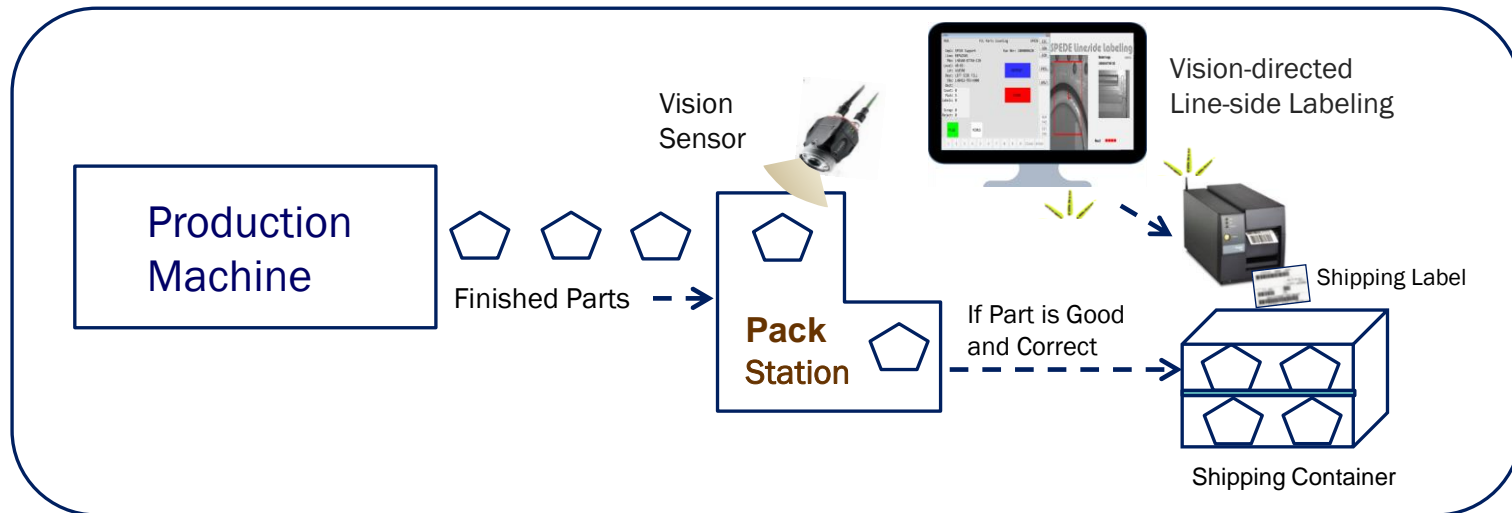
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# Using Vision for Accurate Packing

## Diagram of Vision-directed Packing / Labeling

- Use Vision when Parts are packed at the production machine
- Use Vision if no PLC is present to count the parts
- Vision sensor identifies and counts “good” parts
- Operator can press a Touchscreen to record scrap
- SPEDE prints the container label at pack count of good parts



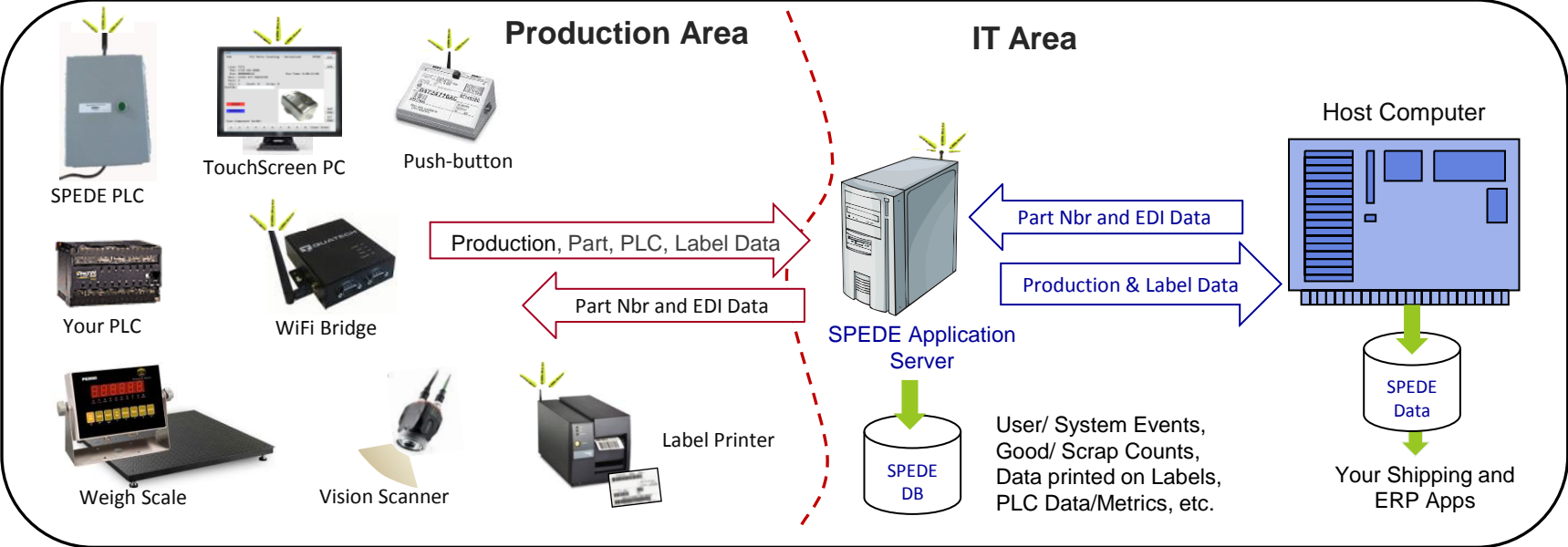
# Using USB Cameras to Control Packing

## SPEDE interfaces to a USB Camera at Packing

- Camera captures image of the part being packed
- Verifies the part is correct
- Validates the part is “good” vs. scrap
- Validates Dunnage layer is filled before starting next layer
- Takes a photo of the completed layer
- Video can provide proof that packing requirements were met for each layer, in case of customer inquiry



# Interfacing to Devices and Host Systems



## SPEDE Server Hardware Requirements

- Local Windows server, MS SQL, 500GB Hard Drive, remote access

## Local Network Requirements

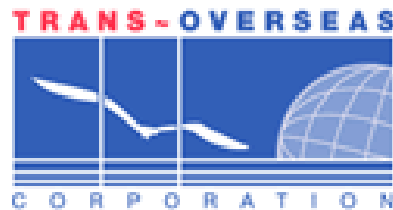
- TCP/IP to SPEDE Server
- TCP/IP to production PLC
- Prefer WiFi to SPEDE server, wired ethernet to PLC



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