

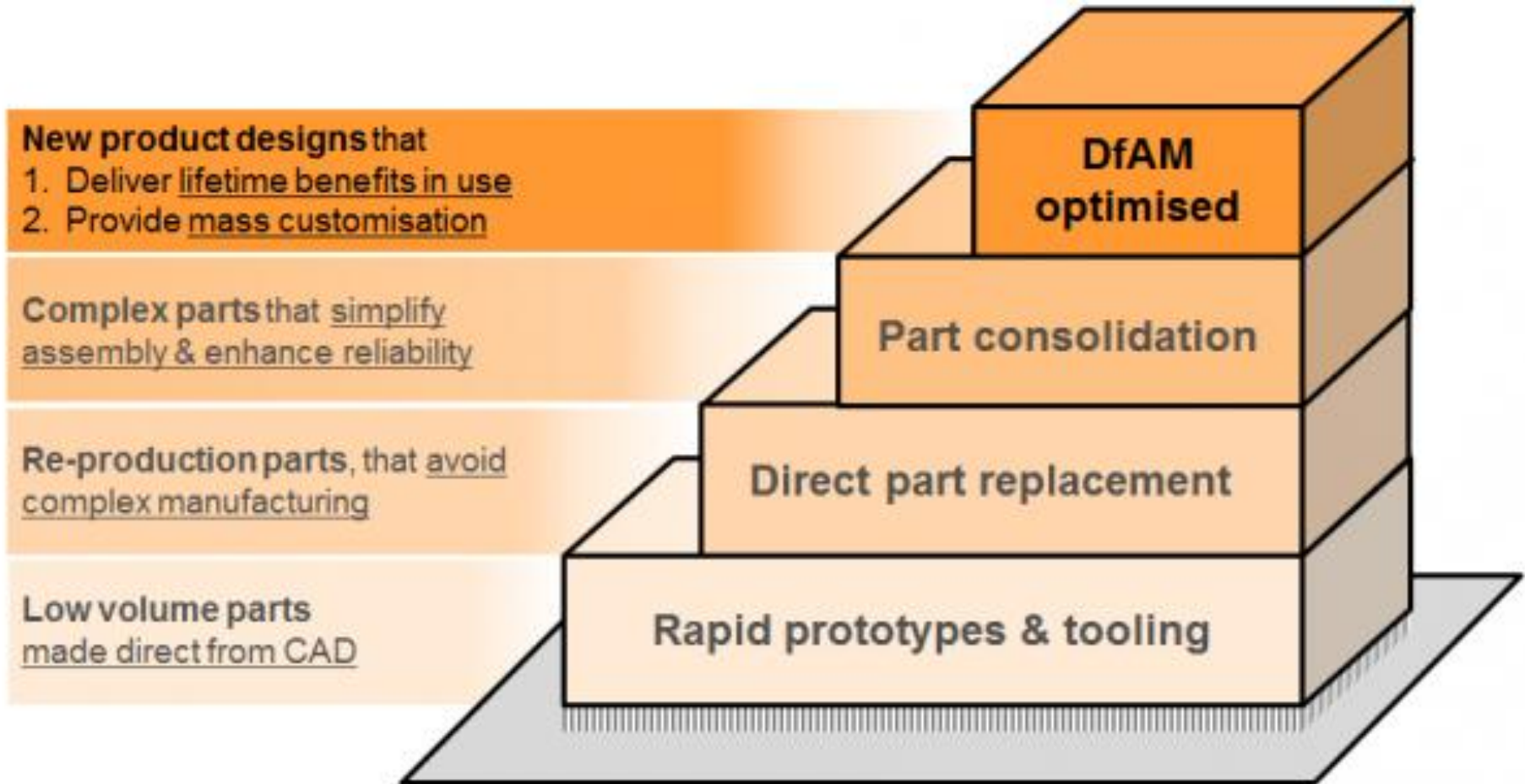


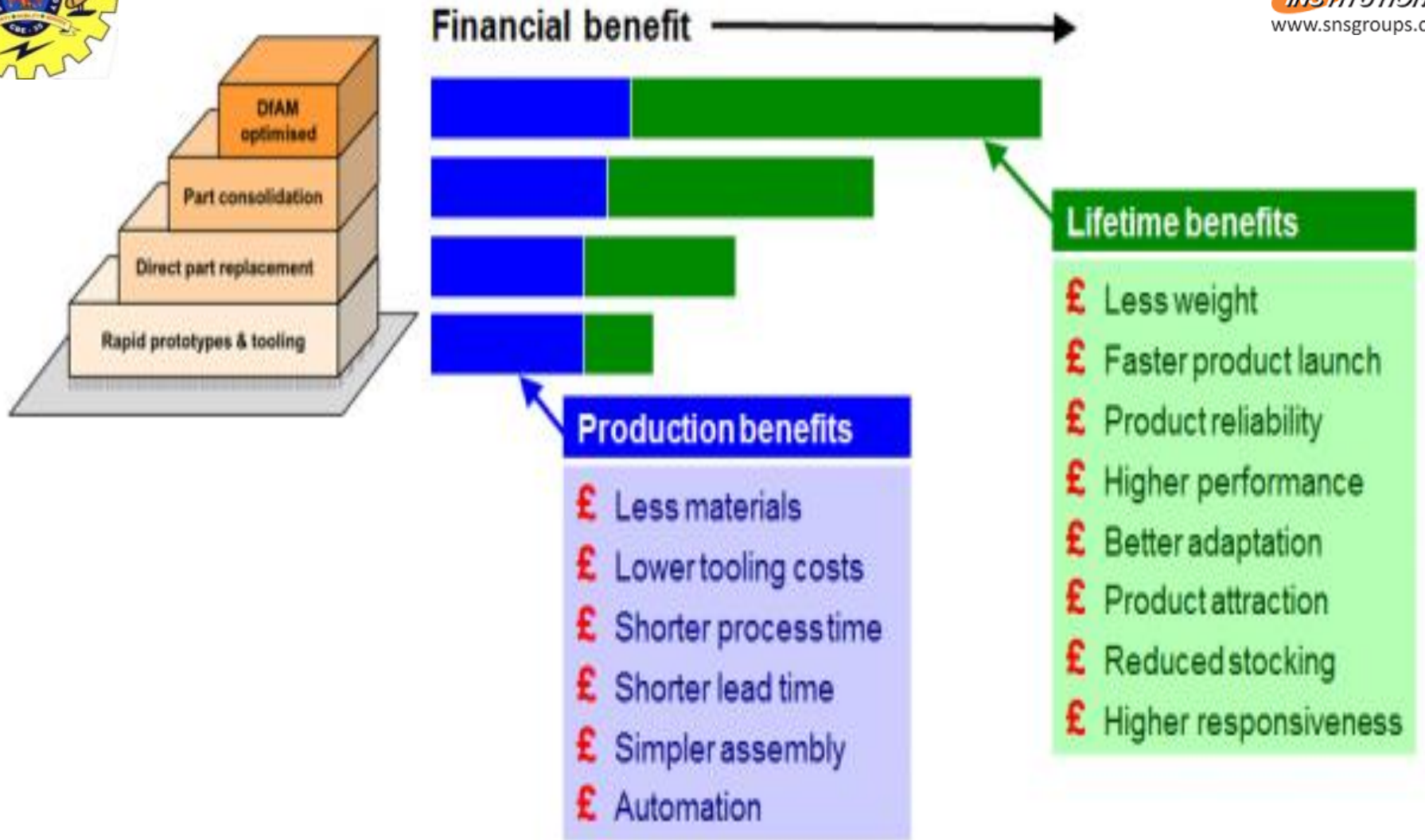
# Additive Manufacturing

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Impact of Additive Manufacturing on  
Product Chain

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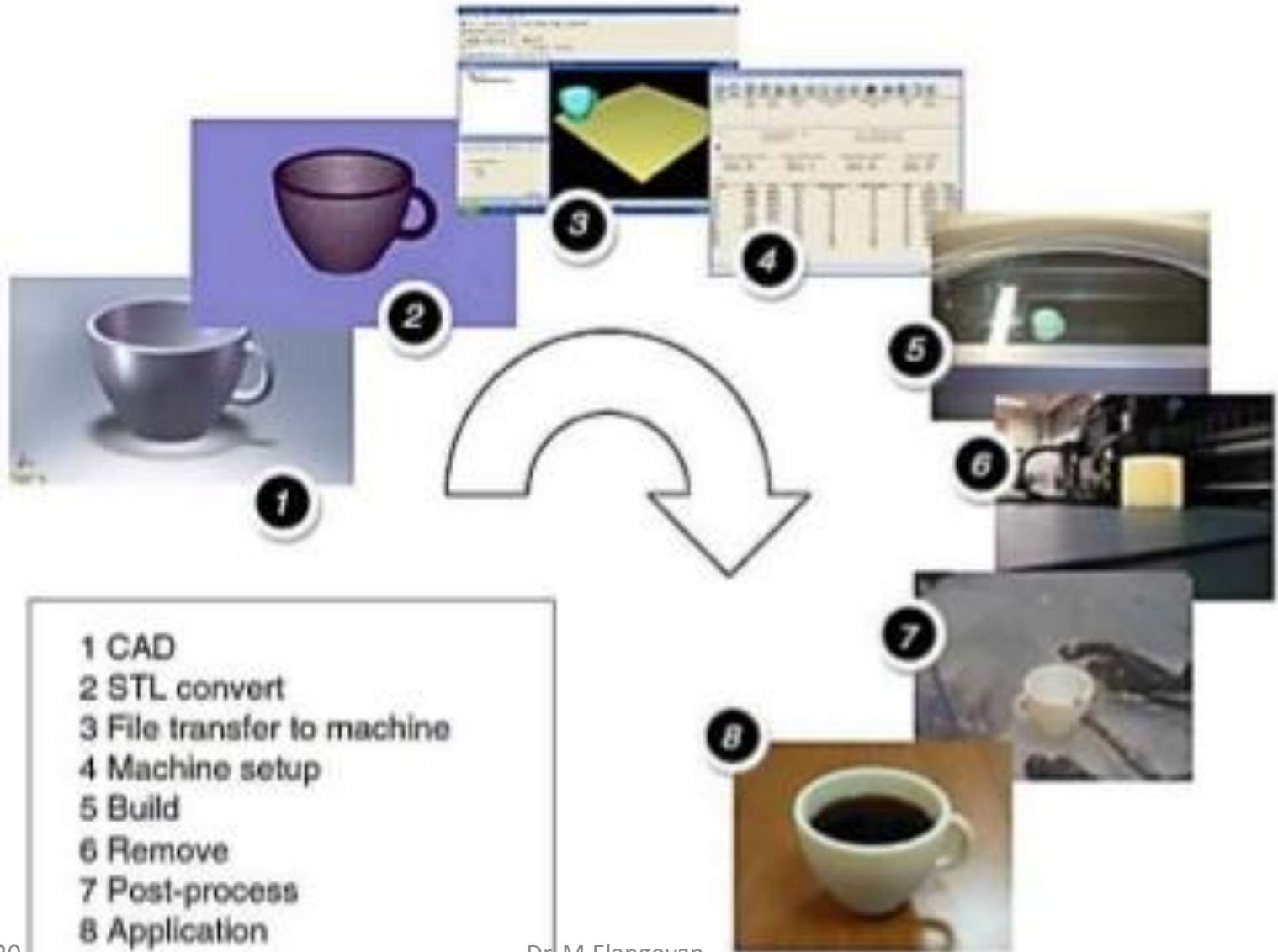






## Introduction

# Additive Manufacturing Process chain





# Impact of value chain





## Impact on Product Development & Design

- Form freedom for engineering and design: performance breakthroughs and product solutions
- New design principles, design and analysis tools. Next to rapid prototyping also rapid testing
- Design for function without conventional manufacturing constraints, early design verification
- Integration for fewer parts and less assembly not possible with existing technologies.

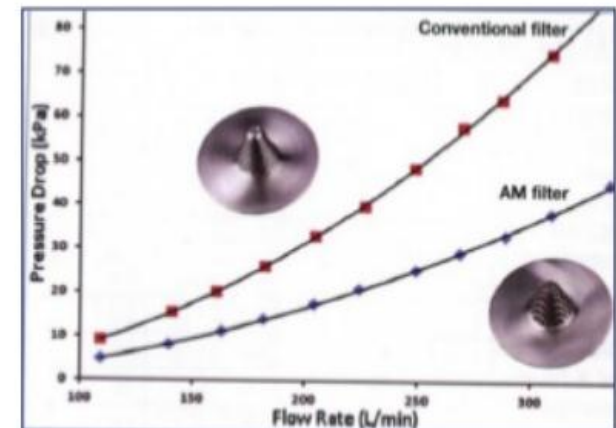


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## Example: Product Development & Design

- **Traditional** titanium wedge wire filters are difficult and time consuming to manufacture.
  - Badly constructed filters impact flow rate and energy consumption  
(Eg. In UK 13% in 2007, being 44.8 million MWh/year, 6% of the UK's carbon footprint).
  - **AM** allows to create filters with aligned and uniform apertures, which leads to a decrease in the pumping energy required.
  - This is due to lower pressure drops by higher flow rates.
- ➔ Up to 30% more energy efficient
- ➔ Less labour and faster production with AM





## Impact on Production efficiency

- Allows for initial or small series parts production (eg. Direct printing or via AM printed moulds)
- In process design iterations or sub-module assembly checks
- Fewer parts to order, less assembly, less risk during build-up
- Time savings, energy savings, process improvements



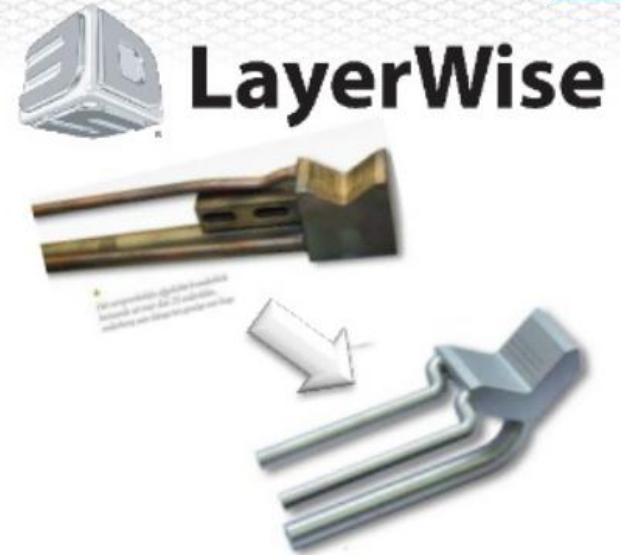
### **Drivers:**

- ***Lower costs and timing benefits compared to existing production set up***



## Example: Production efficiency

- **Traditional** production of halogen light bulbs at Havells uses a burner that heats glass to temperatures of about 2000°C. The original burner is welded (20 parts) It has a working life of about 6 months. Then leakage occurs in one of the welded joints which causes shut downs in production
- The **AM** burner is redesigned and produced in one piece
- Runs for 90 weeks (and counting)
- No production stops during that period
- Break even within 1 year



	Traditional burner assembly	AM burner
Cost per burner	€ 300,-	€ 800,-
Cost for burner quality control	€ 20,-	€ 50,-
Exchange & Maintenance cost	ca. € 500	ca. € 500
Durability	20 weeks	90 weeks
Yearly exchange costs (64 burners)	€ 131.200	€ 43.200
Cost for redesign	-	€ 50.000,-

## Transformation in Manufacturing\*

### Current State - Mass Production & Centralized Manufacturing

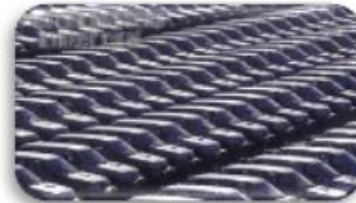
Design for Manufacturing



Economies of Scale



Mass Production



Product Distribution



### Emerging State - Mass Complexity & Distributed Manufacturing

Design for Use



Economies of Scope



Mass Customization



Distributed Manufacturing





## Impact on the Supply chain

- Logistics: fewer stock, print on demand
- Distributed manufacturing: print on location, supply and control of base materials (powders)
- Spare parts: local production, engineering changes, 'Hybrid wholesale', end of life
- Repair and maintenance: fewer scrap, cost saving, faster repair



### **Drivers:**

- ***Lower costs and timing benefits compared to existing production set up***
- ***Less working capital committed***



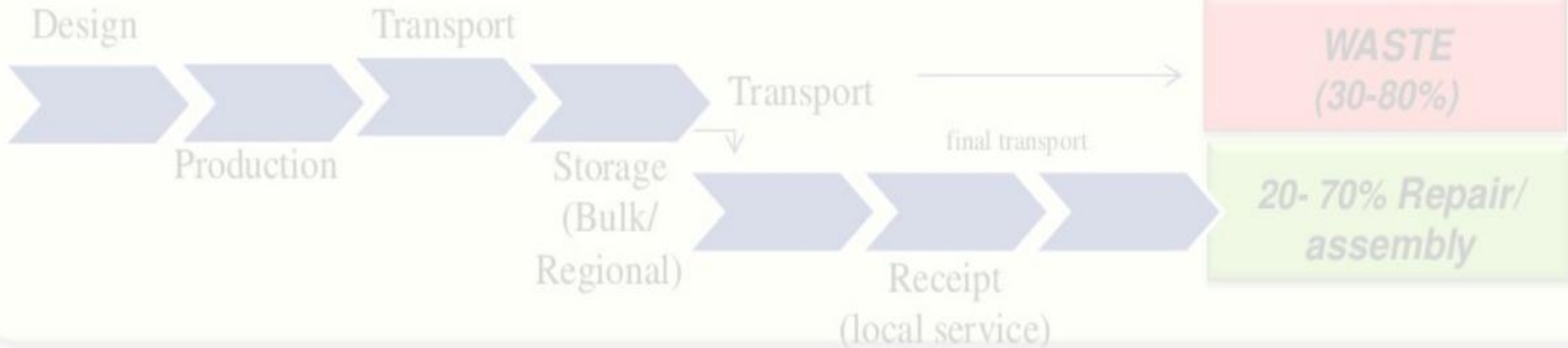
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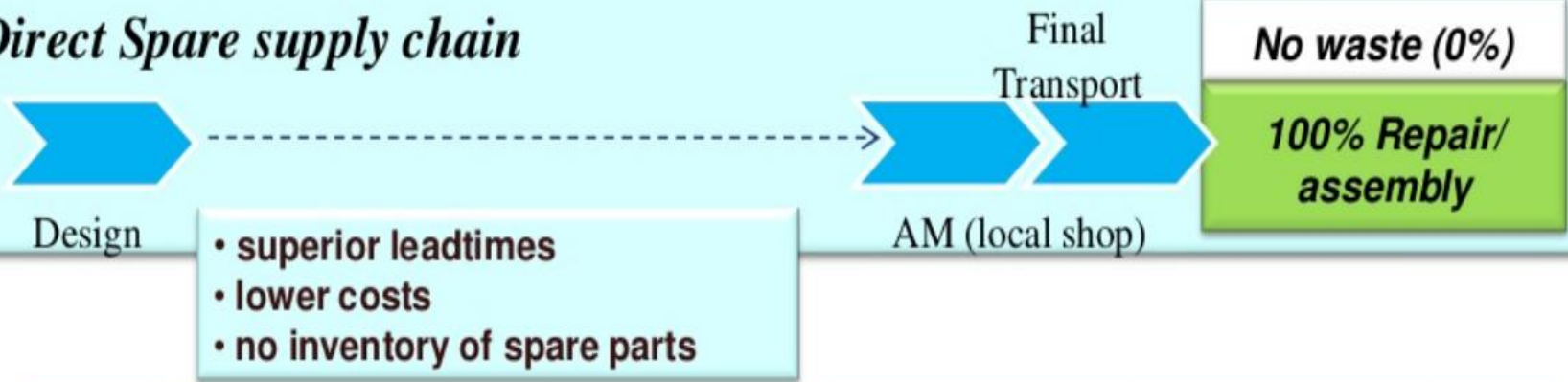
Direct Spare

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### Traditional spare part supply chain



### Direct Spare supply chain





## Impact on Business Models

- Democratisation of design, allowing end user to impact design and engineering phase
- Custom fit, custom build, requiring more and better interaction with customers/users
- New functions in the value chain (AM file warehouse) and new partnerships
- From B-to-B orC → C-to-B and C-to-C



### **Drivers:**

- **Customisation and customer benefits**
- **Added value and higher margins**
- **Shorter time to market**



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## Example New Business Model

- **Traditionally**, unique products and own designs were hard or expensive to get manufactured
- **AM** allows for a the rise of a distributed manufacturing network like 3D Hubs.
- Started out as a platform for cheaper home use printers
- Steadily becoming more professional: metal printers, high end plastics, professional designers



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