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# Factory Design Utilities Workflow-from Zero to Hero

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### **Learning Objectives**

- Get familiar with Factory Design Utilities as part of the Production Design & Manufacturing Collection
- Experience the smooth data transition between AutoCAD, Inventor, and Navisworks using Factory Design Utilities
- Learn how to overcome broken workflows using Factory Design Utilities
- Learn the fastest way to set up your digital mockup

## **Description**

This introductory hands-on lab will guide you through all the steps of setting up a production facility with Factory Design Utilities, from ideation to imagery, based on a step-by-step guided data set.

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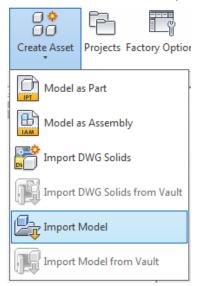
## **User Assets Library**

It's important to be able to populate the library with user specific assets. Let's create one!



1. Open the *Import Asset* function in Inventor Factory Ribbon.

Ribbon: Get Started > Factory Launch > Create Asset > Import Asset



Select ...\ AU2019FDUDataset\Design\05-Asset Creation\Robot Controller.ipt and click Open.

The model is now loading into the *Asset Builder* environnement.

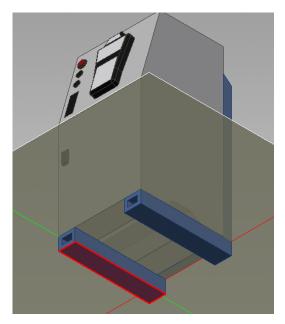


### 2. Open the *Landing Surface* function.

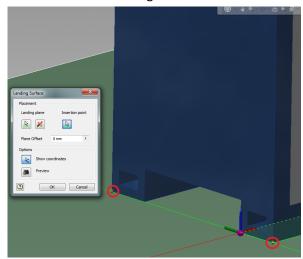
Ribbon: Asset Builder > Author > Landing Surface



Select the bottom surface of the machine enclosure to define it as the landing surface.



In the *Landing Surface* dialog, click *Select Insertion Point* and select the two points marked. Click *OK* to confirm the changes.



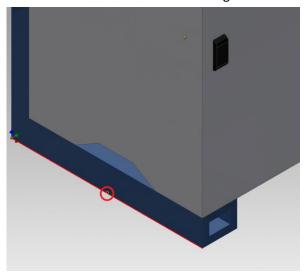


#### 3. Open the *Define Connector* function.

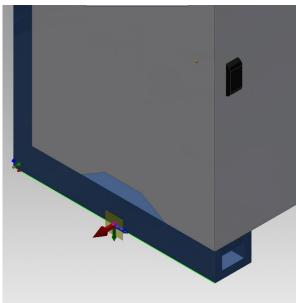
Ribbon: Asset Builder > Author > Define Connector



Select the center of the left-hand edge as the insertion point.

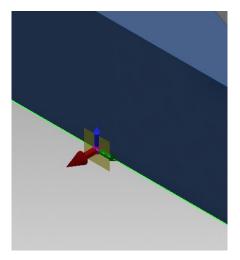


Select the red direction arrow and click the left-hand vertical edge of the box to define alignment.



Select the blue arrow and select a vertical edge on the model. The blue arrow now points upwards.





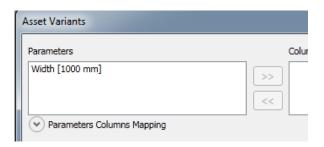
Press [ENTER] to close the command.

- 4. Create a second connector in the same way.
- 5. Open the Asset Variants function.

Ribbon: Asset Builder > Author > Asset Variants

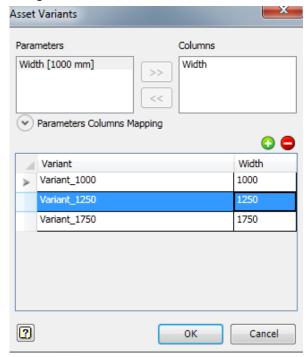


Select the *Width* parameters and click the >> button.



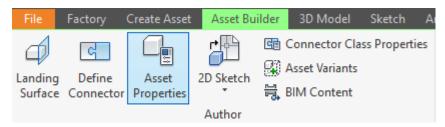


Using the + button, create three variants with the following values and click **OK** to close the dialog.



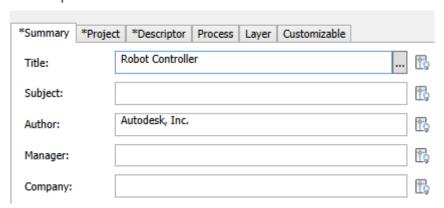
6. Open the Asset Properties function.

Ribbon: Asset Builder > Author > Asset Properties



On the *Summary* tab, enter Title *Robot Controller* and Company *Autodesk* and click *OK* to confirm your entry.

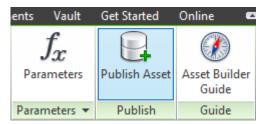
#### **Asset Properties**



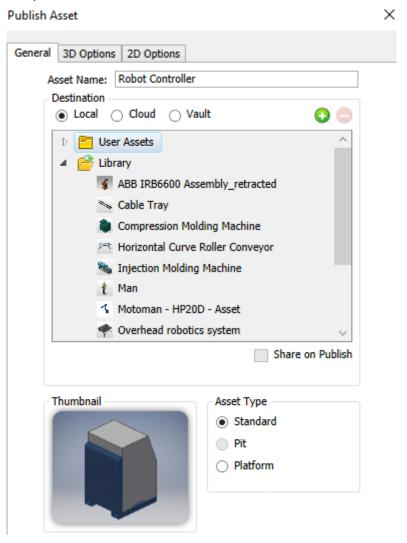


- 7. Save the design.
- 8. Open the Publish Asset function.

Ribbon: Asset Builder > Publish > Publish Asset



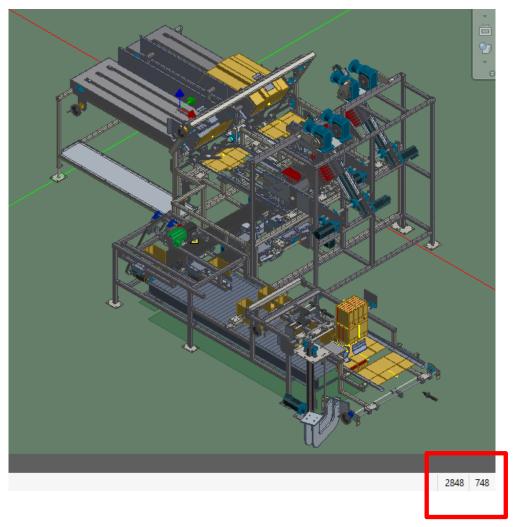
Enter asset name *Robot Controller* and select a destination directory. Click *OK* to confirm your entry.



9. Close the part.



## 10. Open file ...\ AU2019FDUDataset\Design\04-Packaging machine\\_0012009310.iam



As you can see, there are over 2.800 parts, too much for an asset so let's simplify this





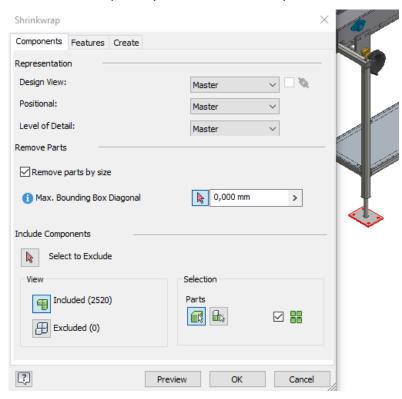
11. First make sure to fully load the file.

#### 12. Open Shrinkwrap function

Ribbon: Assemble > Simplification



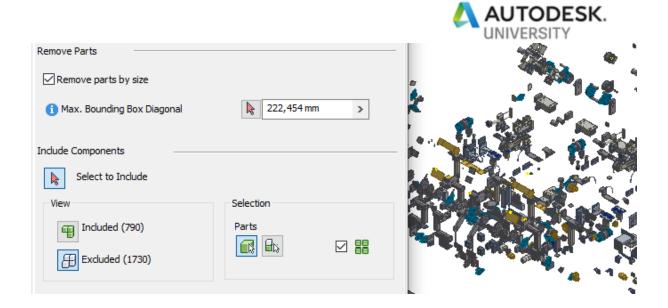
13. Enable "Remove parts by size" and select footplate as reference.



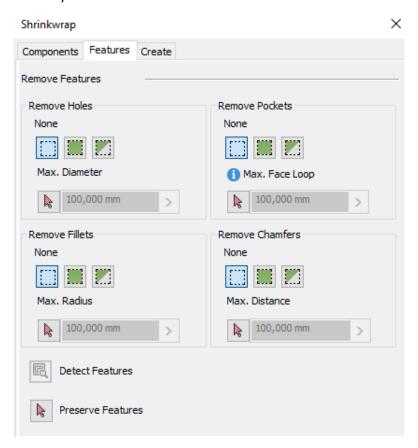
14. With this operation, almost 2/3 of the parts are already excluded from simplification



15. If you want to include hidden parts again, click Excluded option and select e.g. footplates again in graphical interface.

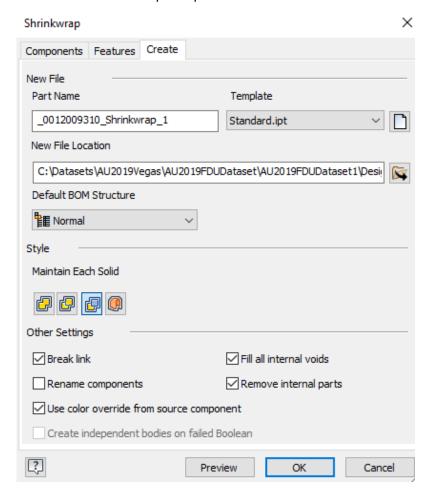


16. Go to the *Features* tab to remove unnecessary features like holes, filets and chamfers items the same style.





- 17. Go to the Create tab to convert the simplified model into one single object
- 18. Enable *Break link* to improve performance



19. Open Asset Builder function

Ribbon: Factory > Factory Launch

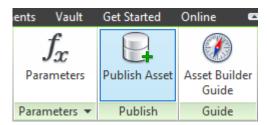


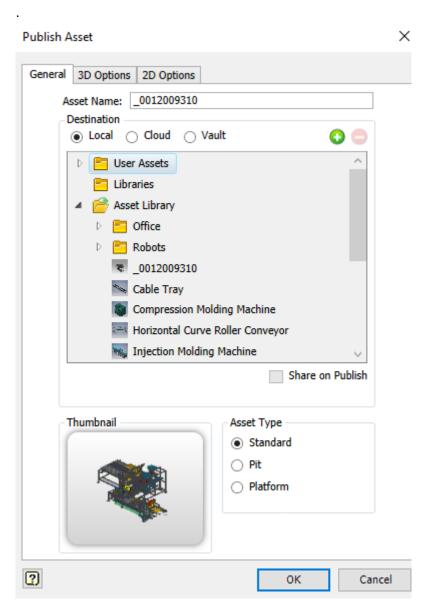
20. Define the landings Surface





21. Open the Publish asset function





22. Close the assembly.

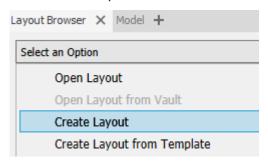


## **Production Process Analysis – Process Flowchart**

#### **OPTIONAL**



- 23. Make sure the Layout Browser is loaded
- 24. Create a New Layout

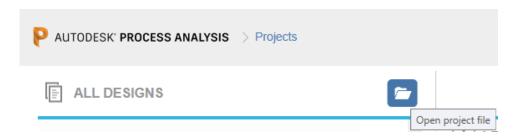


25. Start *Process Analysis* in the factory ribbon

Ribbon: Factory > Tools

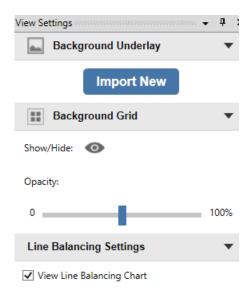


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26. Activate "View Line Balancing Chart" in View Settings

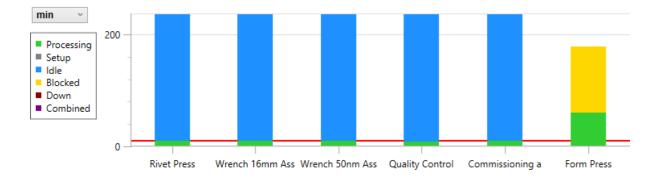




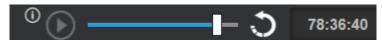
#### 27. Run Simulation



28. Note that for example the Rivet Press is most of the time in "Idle" state because it's waiting for materials and the Form Press is blocked because the next machine is still processing.

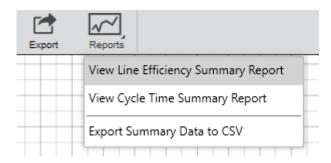


29. Note that the total process time to produce 20 shovels is 78 h

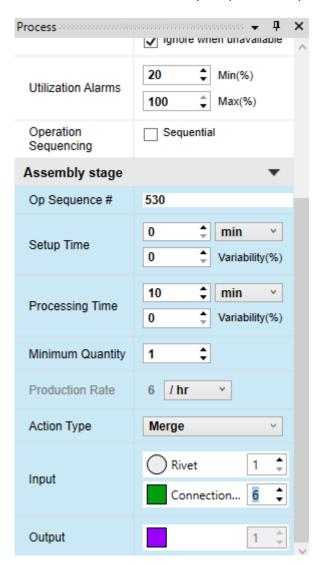




30. Run a html report to document the current state.

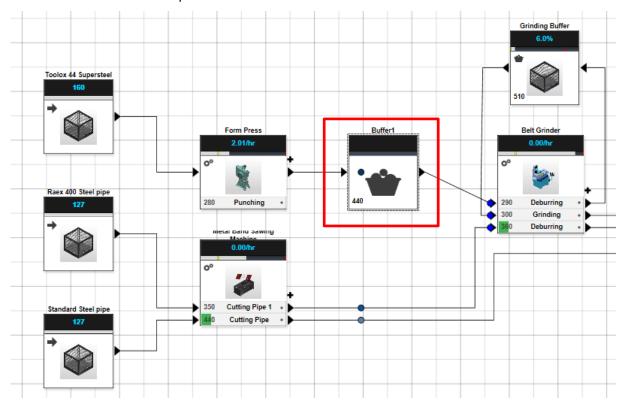


31. Select "Rivet Press" and modify the production parameters from 6 connection elements to 1

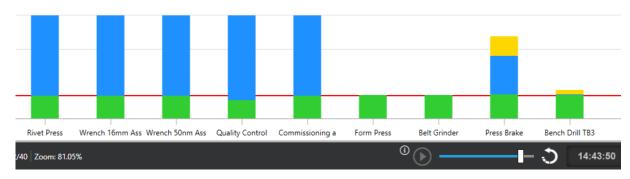




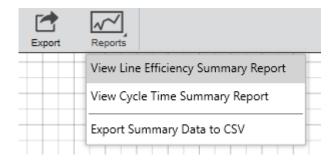
32. In the Process layout, add a buffer with 500 pieces capacity between "Form Press" and "Belt Grinder" and reconnect the process



33. Run the simulation again and analyse the process impact of the modified machines



34. Run a html report to document this process state.



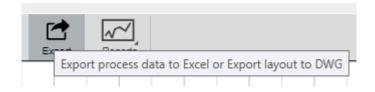


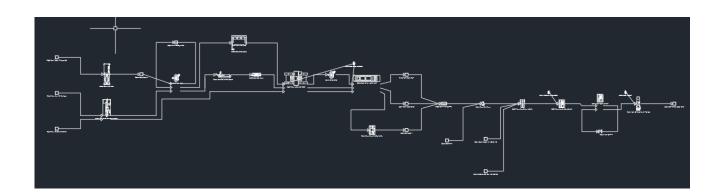
#### 35. Open both html reports and compare the results

#### Line Efficiency Summary Report - Mannheim\_Process\_Finish



## 36. Export the Process layout to a DWG file

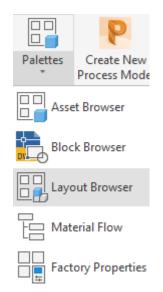




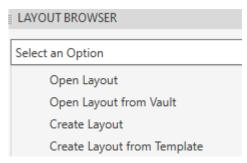


## **Create a New Sub Layout Area**

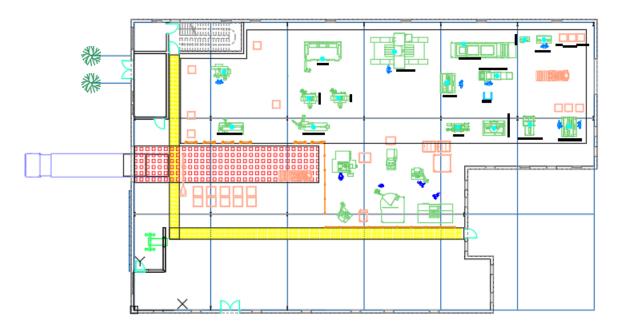
37. In Autocad Arch, create a new drawing.



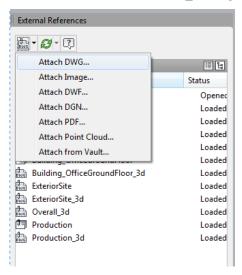
- 38. Make sure the Layout Browser is loaded
- 39. Open in Layout Browser this file ...\ AU2019FDUDataset\Design\01-Data\Mannheim\_F.LayoutData





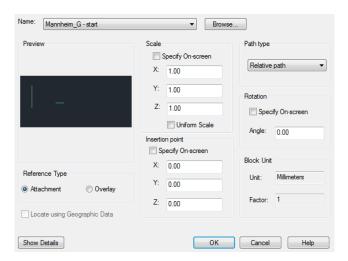


- 40. Type XREF in the command line to launch External References Manager
- 41. Attach new XREF "Mannheim\_G .dwg" to the drawing



42. Use Xref import settings as shown

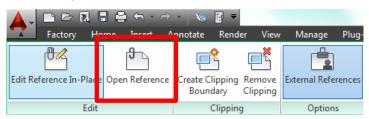




43. The xref will be automatically positioned as shown below

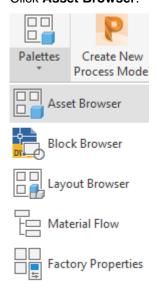


- 44. Select the outline of the xref(1).
- 45. Click the Open Reference command on the Context Ribbon (2).

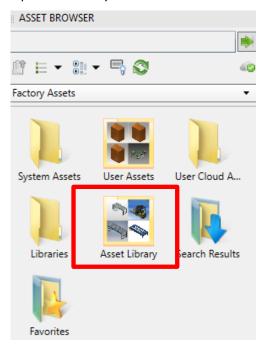




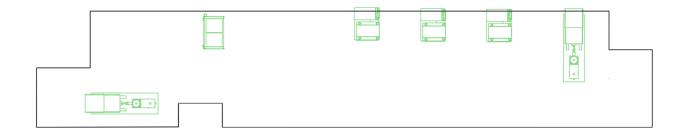
46. Activate the Factory Asset Browser by selecting the **Palettes** flyout on the Factory Ribbon and Click **Asset Browser**.



47. Open this library folder in the Asset Browser



48. Drag and drop Assets from the Asset Library into the layout as shown below



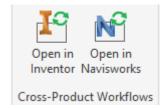




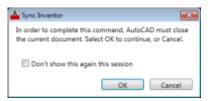
49. Click on icon Roller Conve... and draw a line as shown below



50. Click *Open in Inventor* Command.



51. Click OK on the dialog that displays.



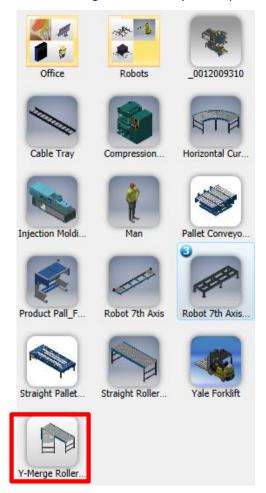
52. Click Yes on the Save Notification is necessary.

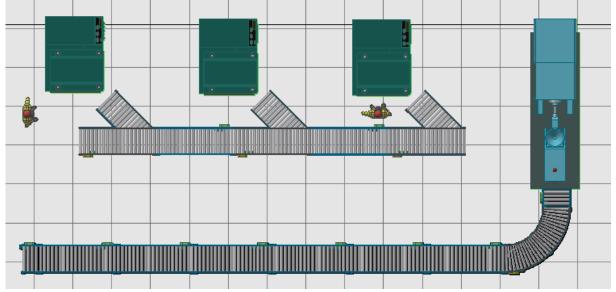


- 53. The Inventor application will launch and create a 3D version of your 2D layout.
- 54. Let's wait a few seconds ....this is what you'll get



55. Select Y-merge roller conveyor and place them as shown below, connect with strait conveyors



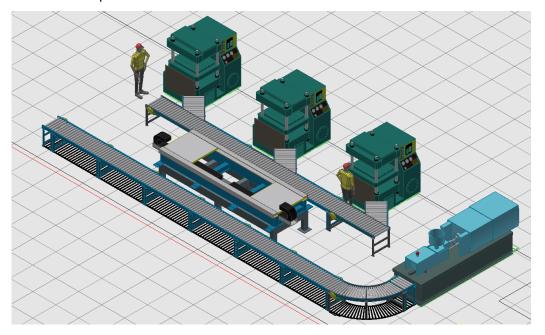




56. Select Robot 7<sup>th</sup> Axis asset in library



- 57. Connect the Robot positioning table to the frame connector as shown below
- 58. ...and let it snap like this.....

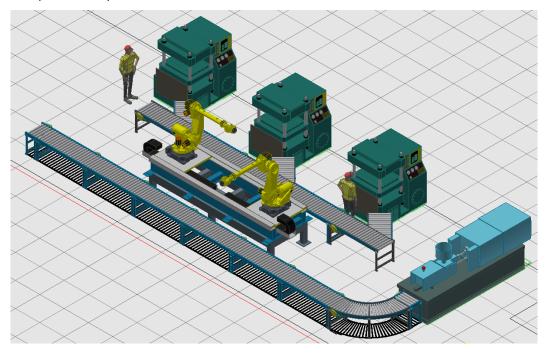




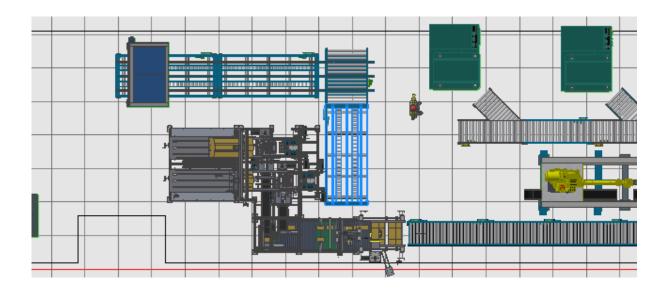
59. Select Fanuc robot asset in library



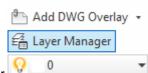
60. Complete the layout as shown below



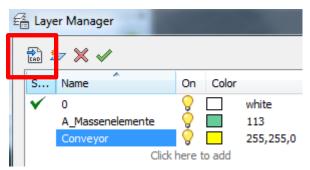
61. Finish the sub-layout by adding the below packaging machine and pallet conveyor assets as shown below.



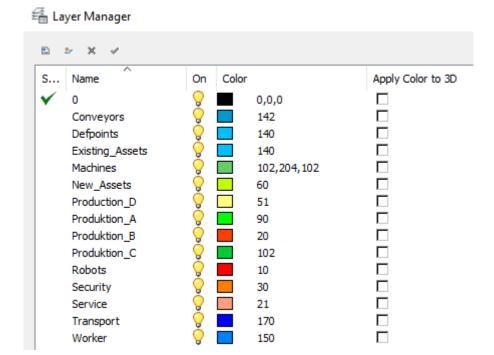




62. Open Layer Manager



- 63. Open Import Layers
- 64. ..... and load "Layer\_Template\_FDU.dwg" from the Documentation folder
- 65. Import should look like this

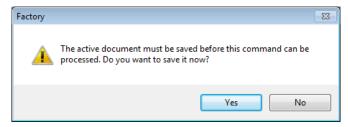


- 66. Select all conveyors in the layout and assign them to the "Conveyors" layer and continue with other assets Don't forget to ENTER after each layer assignment
- 67. On the Factory Ribbon, Click the Open in AutoCAD command.

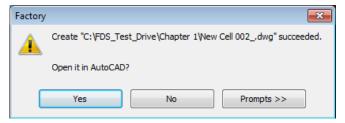




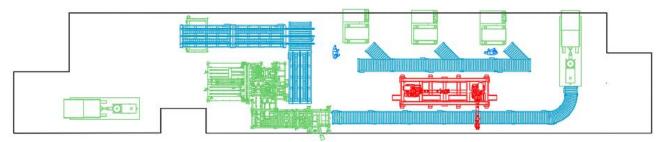
68. If prompted to Save the file, Select Yes and Ok to any dialog prompts.



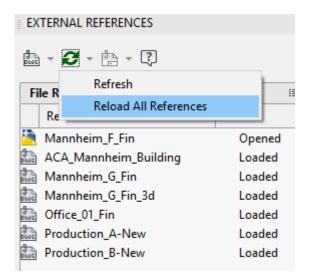
69. Click Yes when prompted to open the File in AutoCAD.



70. Autocad Xref will be updated with all 3D changed made

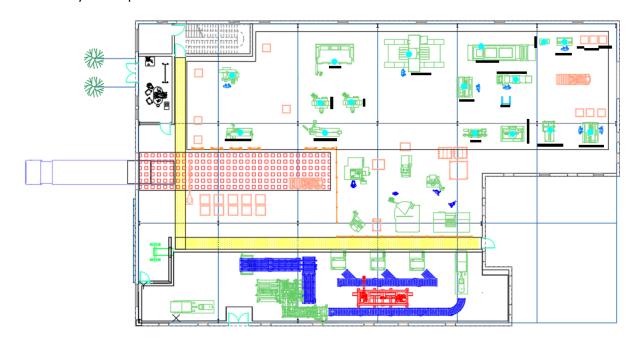


- 71. Save this file
- 72. Switch to the overall.dwg file and update all Xref's





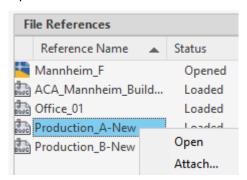
## 73. Overall Layout is updated with new Xref content.





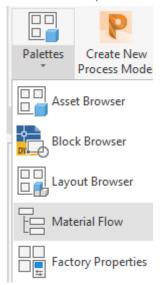
#### **Material Flow**

74. Open Production A-New xRef

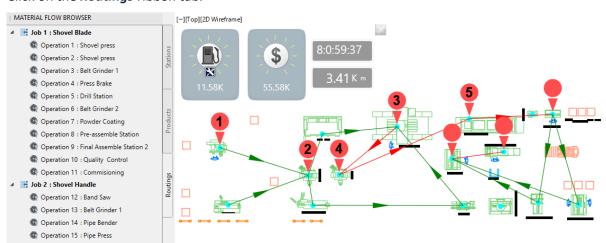


75. Open the Material Flow Browser.

Ribbon: Factory > Tools > Palettes Flyout > Material Flow

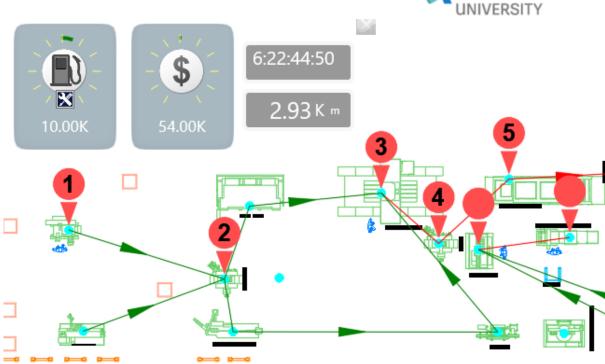


76. Click on the *Routings* ribbon tab.



77. Move "Grinder 2" to location closer to powder coating machine and see the impact on time and distance of the process.

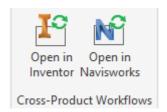




78. Close Optimization environment by selecting button below

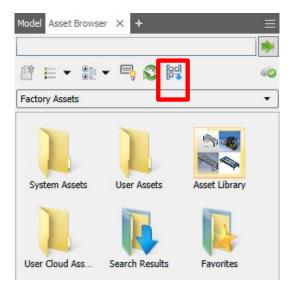


79. Click *Open in Inventor* Command.

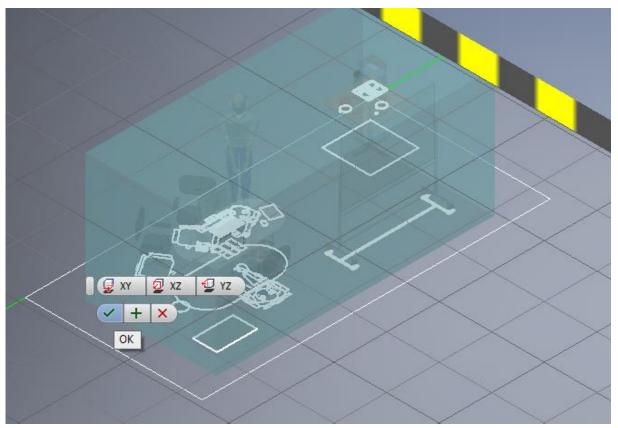


- 80. Open ...\ AU2019FDUDataset\Design\01-Data\Office\_01.iam
- 81. In the asset browser, select "Insert Asset Group" and select ...\ AU2019FDUDataset\Design\01-Data\Finished\_Layout\ Office\_01\_Fin.iam





82. Position the asset group inside the empty rectangle and confirm



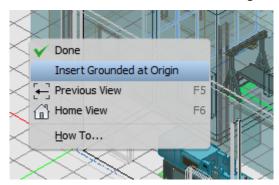
83. The main Layout will now contain an office space equipped with a standard set of furniture.



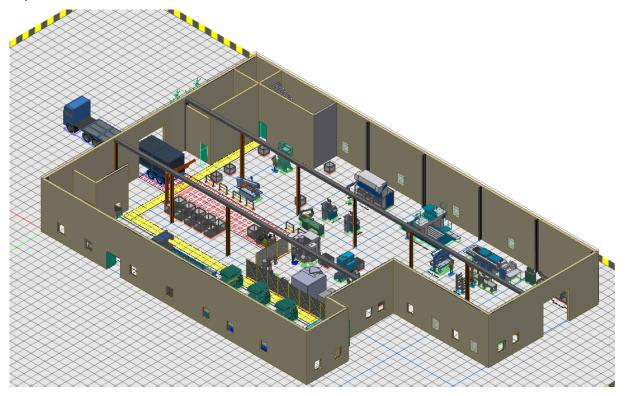
### 84. OPTIONAL



- 85. Insert solid building
- 86. Select file ACAD\_A\_BUILDING\_1.ipt in the 02-Buildings folder
- 87. RMB and select "Insert Grounded at Origin



88. Layout should look like this

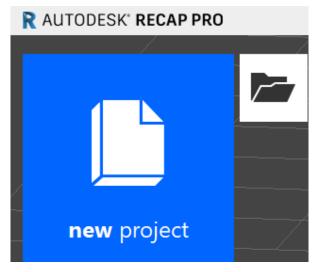




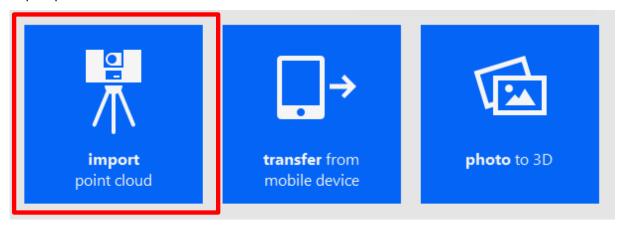
## Point cloud project integration with Recap



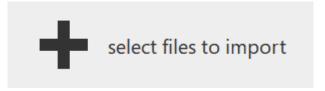
- 89. In Factory>Point Cloud tab, select Autodesk Recap
- 90. Create a new project and give it a name and destination



91. Import point cloud



92. Select Files to Import button

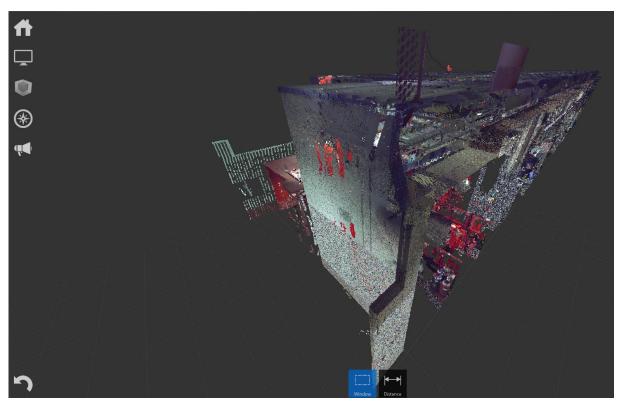


- 93. Browse for file Bestand\_3.rcs and open
- 94. Launch project

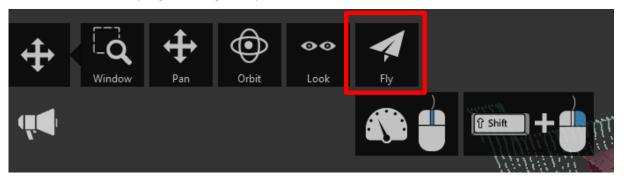




95. Screen should look like this



96. Let's make a discovery flight through the point cloud data

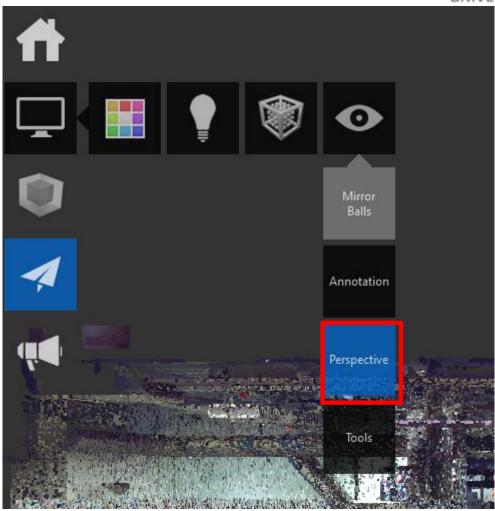


97. After the fly through, select Front in the View Cube.



98. Change to Orthographic view by selecting





99. Box select the top of the point cloud data

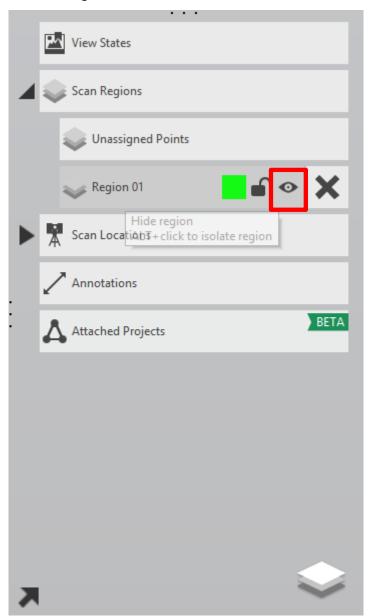


100. Create a new region





### 101. Hide new region

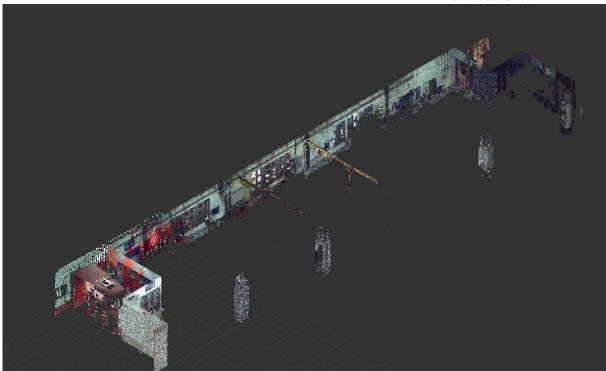


102. Go to Top view, model should look like this

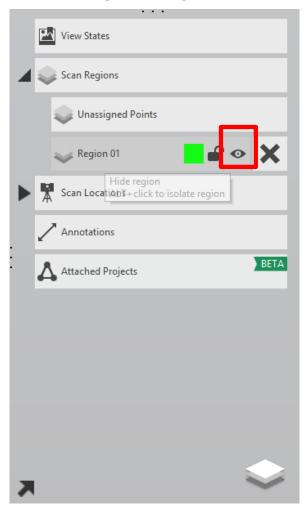


103. Clean out the point cloud data like image below



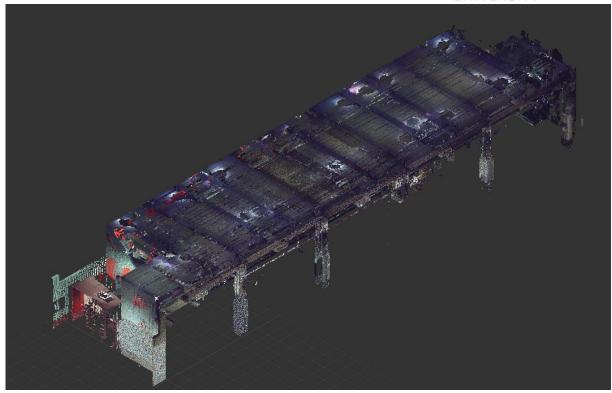


### 104. Make hidden region visible again



105. point cloud data should look like image below



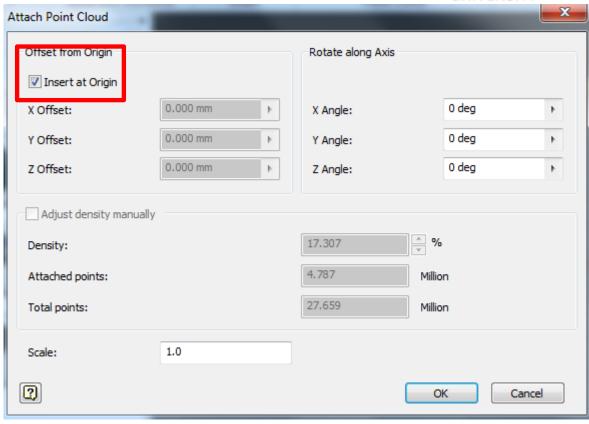


106. Save the project and switch back to Inventor



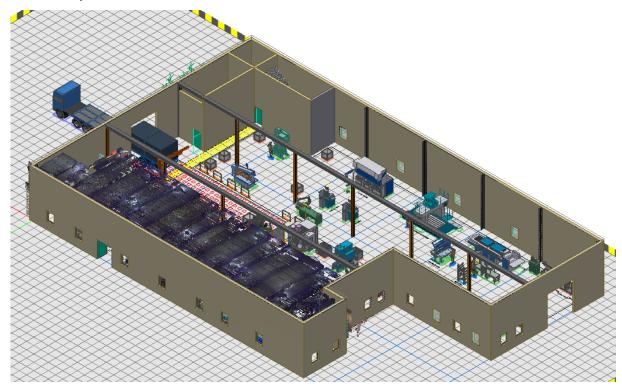
- 107. In Factory ribbon, select Attach
- 108. Select the new saved \*.rcp project and click anywhere in the layout
- 109. In the dialog box, insert point cloud project at origin



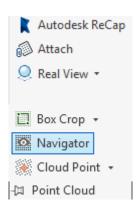


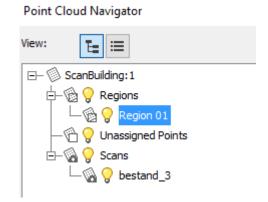


#### 110. Inventor Layout should look like this



### 111. In the point cloud navigator, switch on/off the region.

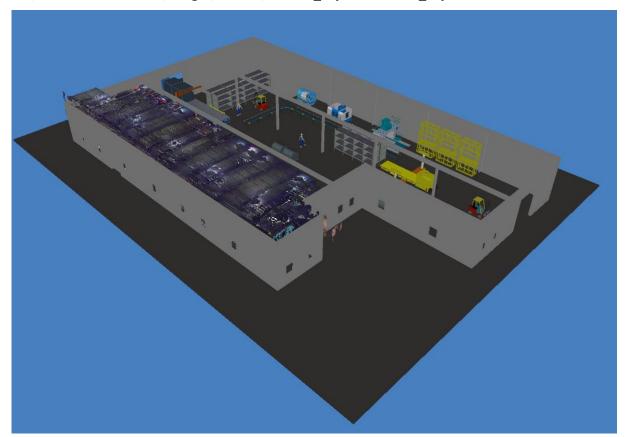




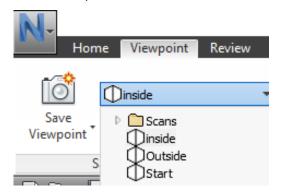


## **Project Overview Navisworks**

- 112. Open the application NavisWorks Manage
- 113. Open the file
  - ...\ AU2019FDUDataset\Design\01Data\Finished\_Layout\Finished\_Layoutv2.nwd



114. In the viewpoint ribbon, select "Inside" viewpoint

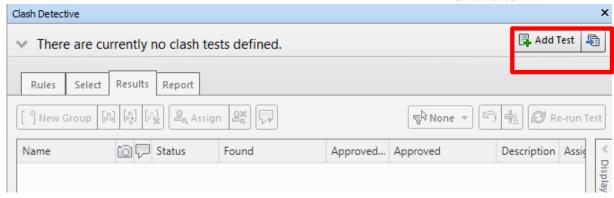


115. Walk around and look around in the facility.

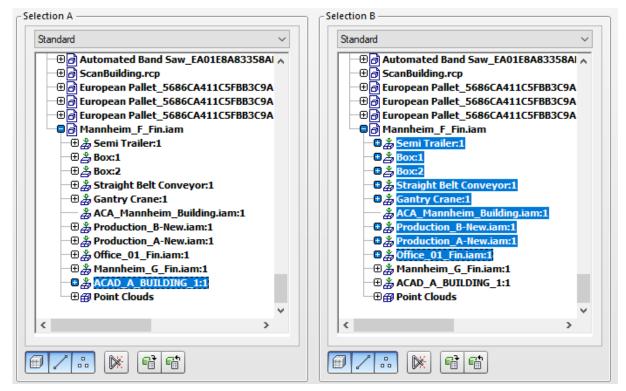


- 116. Let's check for collisions, select this button
- 117. Add a new test





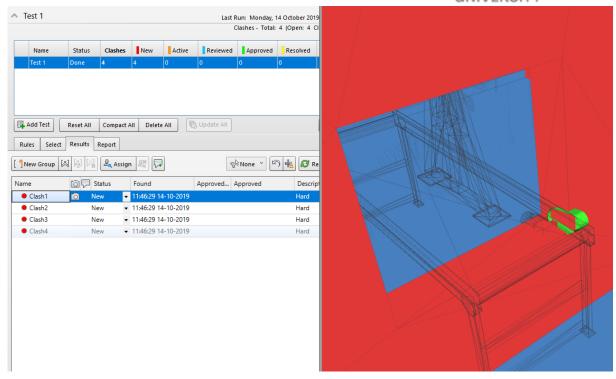
118. Scroll down and Expand the selection boxes and select models as shown



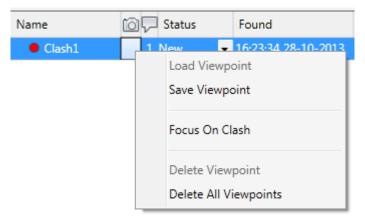
Run Test
119. Run the test

120. You will detect a collision

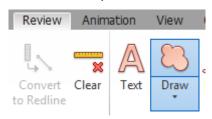




121. Let's markup this error for engineering and save the viewpoint.

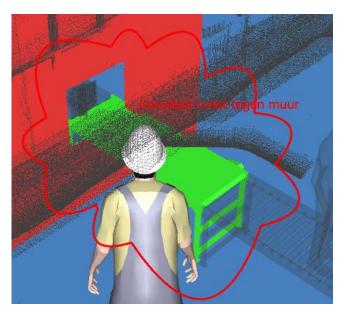


#### 122. Create a markup

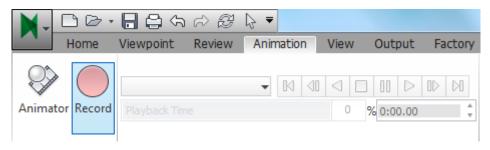


#### 123. Add some comment





- 124. Go back to "start" viewpoint
- 125. Access Ribbon command in Animation ribbon



126. Record animation while walking through facility

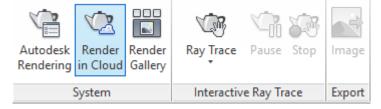


### **Panorama Shaded visual**

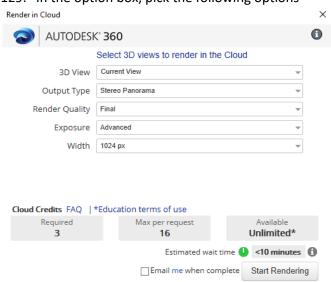
127. Walk nearby the robot area as shown below.



128. In "Render" ribbon pick Render in Cloud option

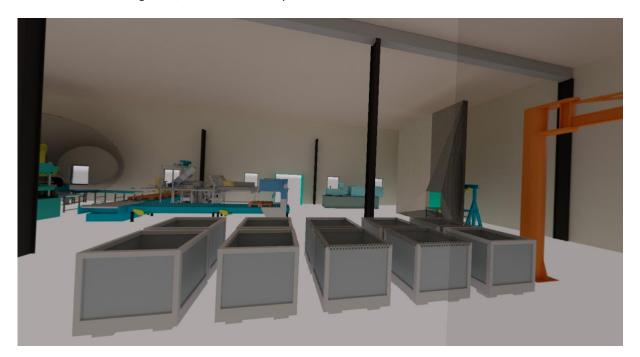


129. In the option box, pick the following options





130. After a short waiting time, this is the result you will see.





I hope you liked it?

Thank you!