

Introduction to Robot Showcase -why we need RT middleware?-

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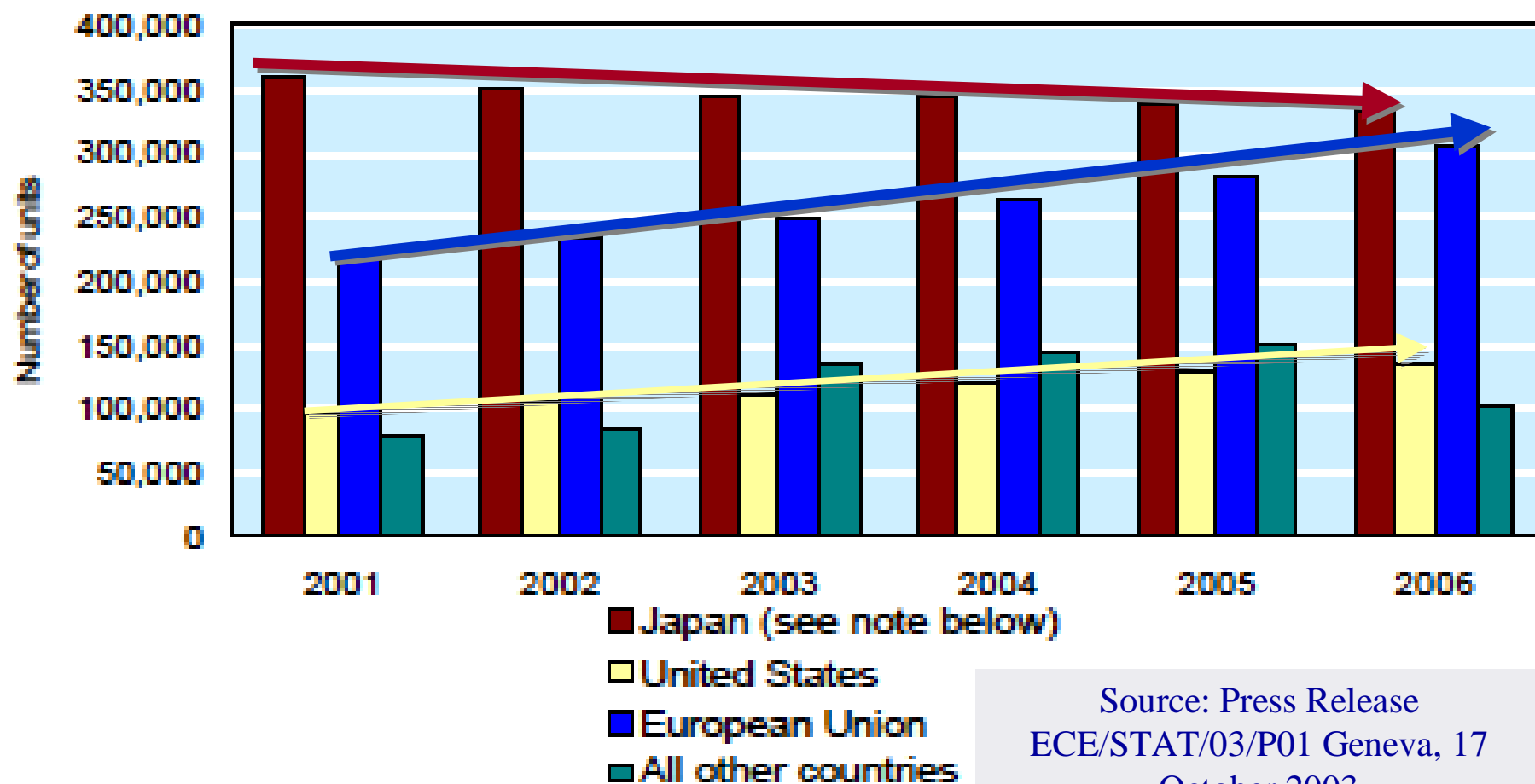
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Industrial Robot



The Number of Industrial Robots used in the World (2003-2006 Predicted Number)



Note 1: Addition to the stock data for Japan included dedicated robots up to and including 2003. Stock data shown

Expanding of Robot Applications

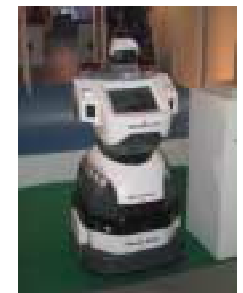
-From Industrial Applications to Non Industrial Applications-



Application
Expanding

Rehabilitation and Assistance
for Handicapped People

Home Appliances

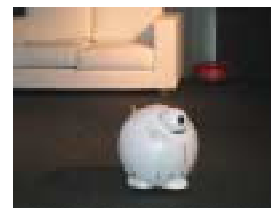
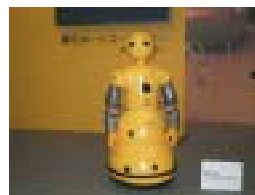


Guidance and Transportation

Security



Industrial Robots



Mental Commit

What is the Problems?

Each user's request is getting personal.

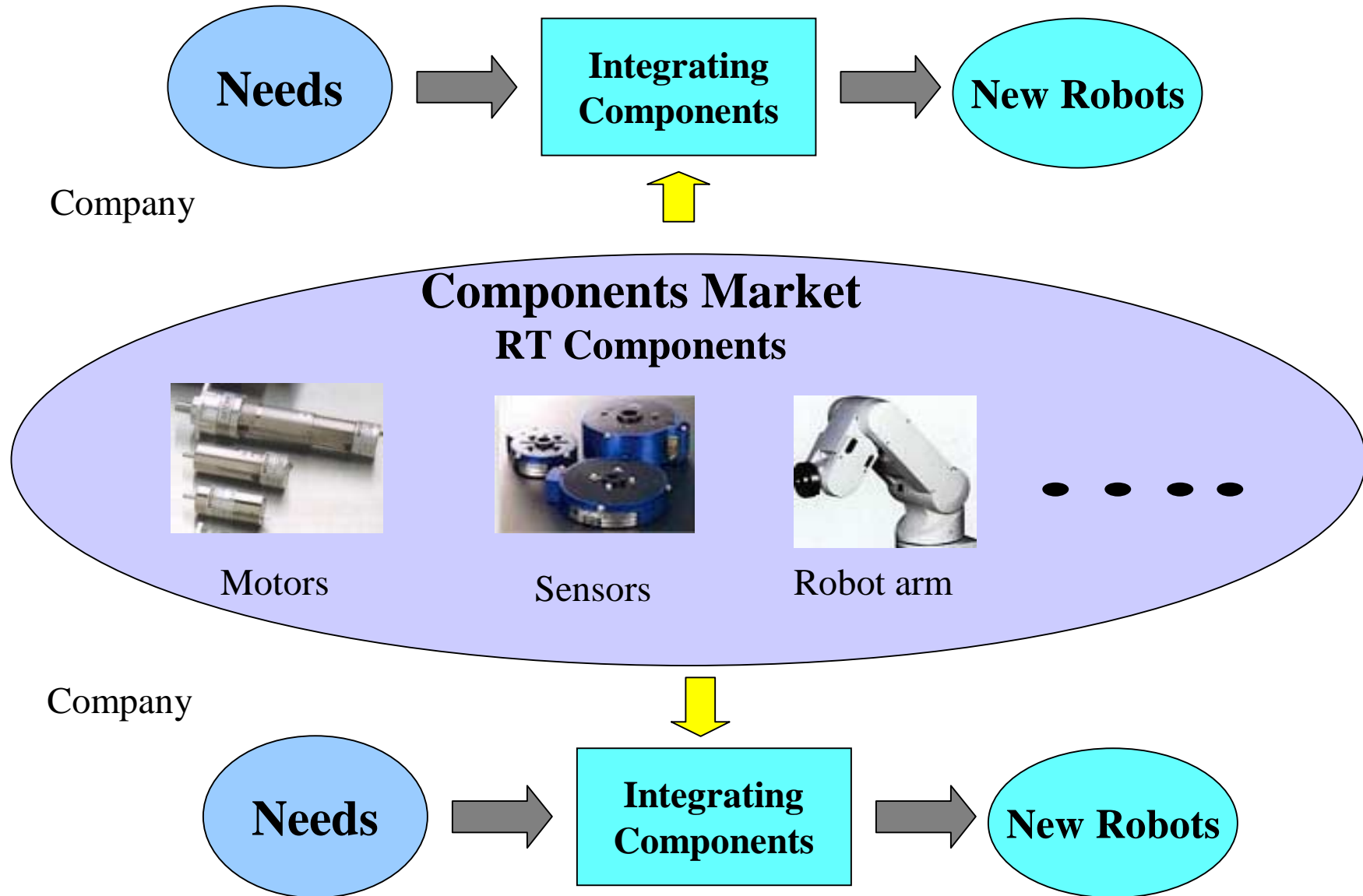
How to provide the good product each user wants to buy?



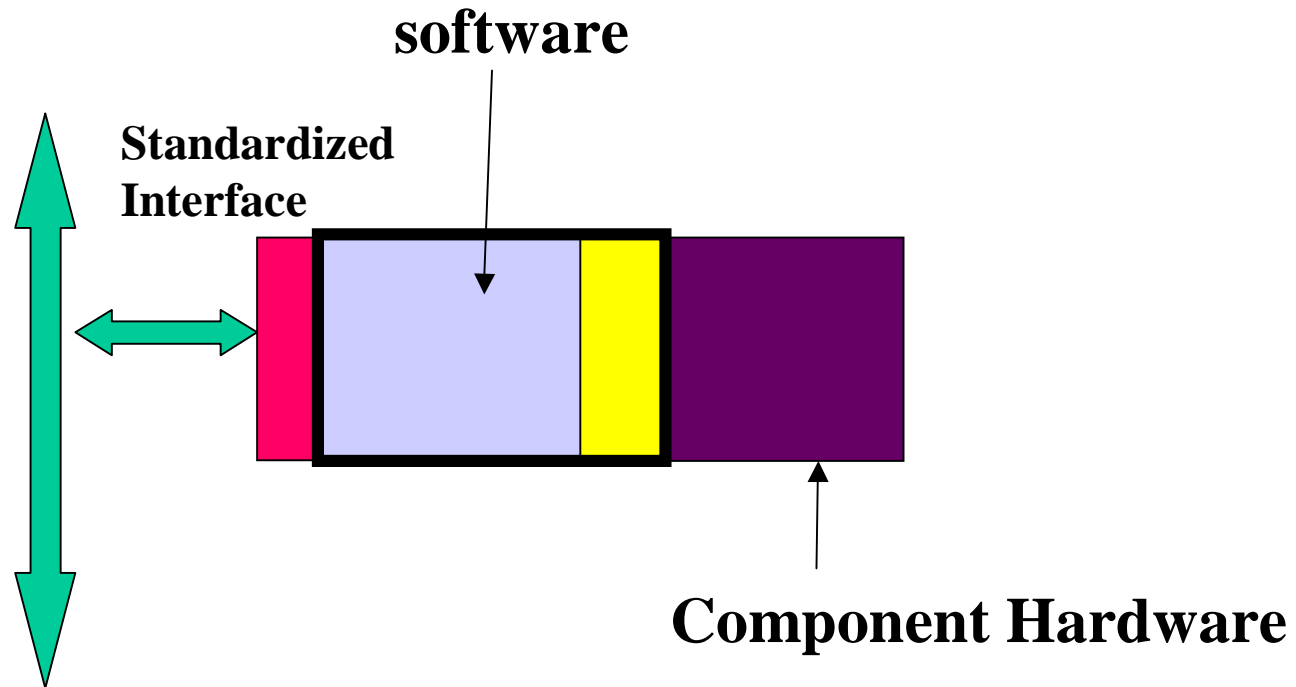
How to design the new products efficiently and quickly?

How to create a new industrial infrastructure which supports the efficient new product design.

How new robotic products will be produced?



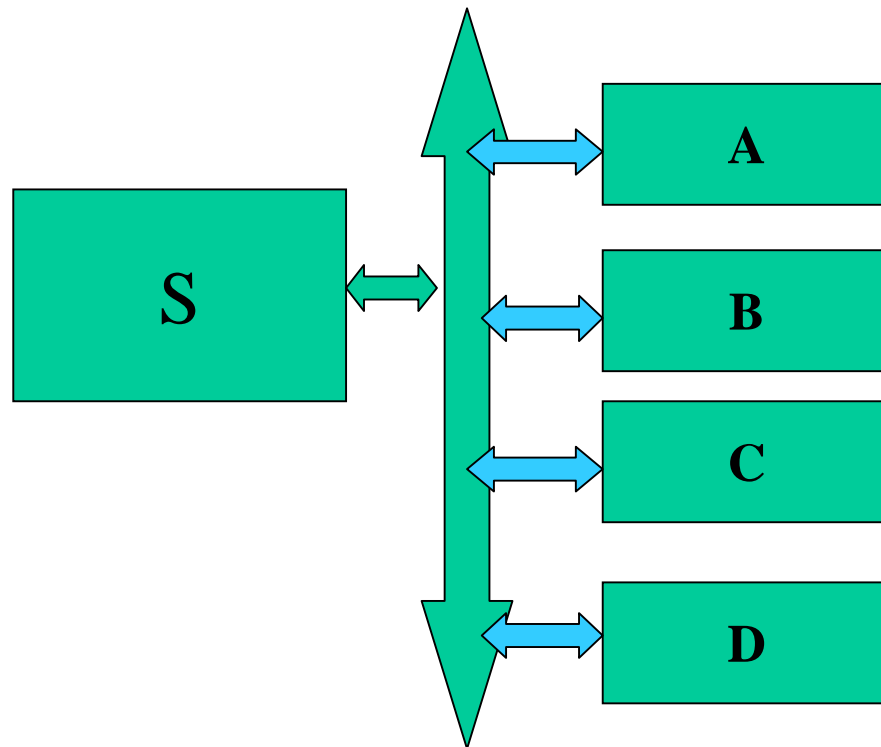
Modularized Component



 **RT middleware**

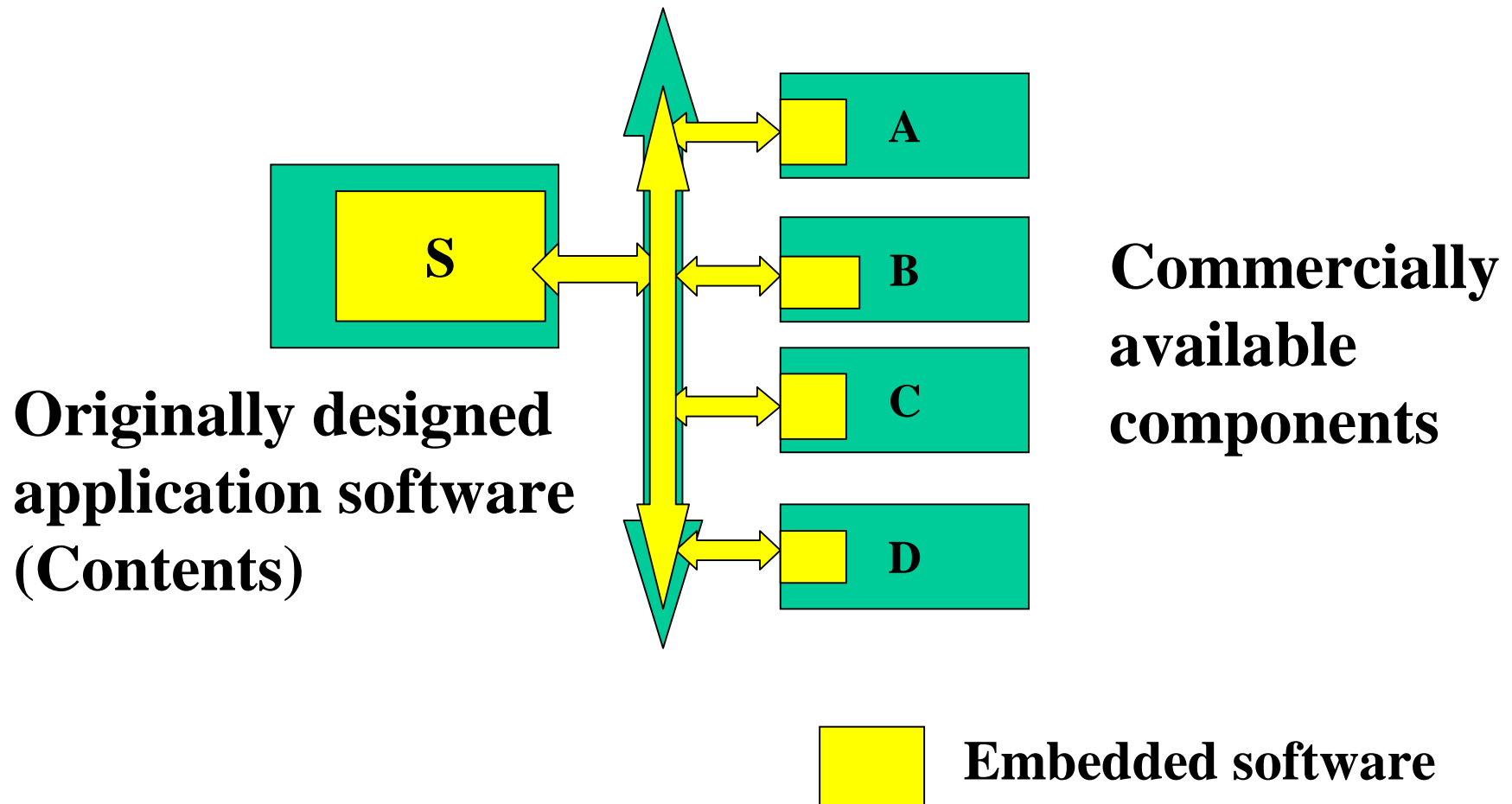
 **Embedded Computer**

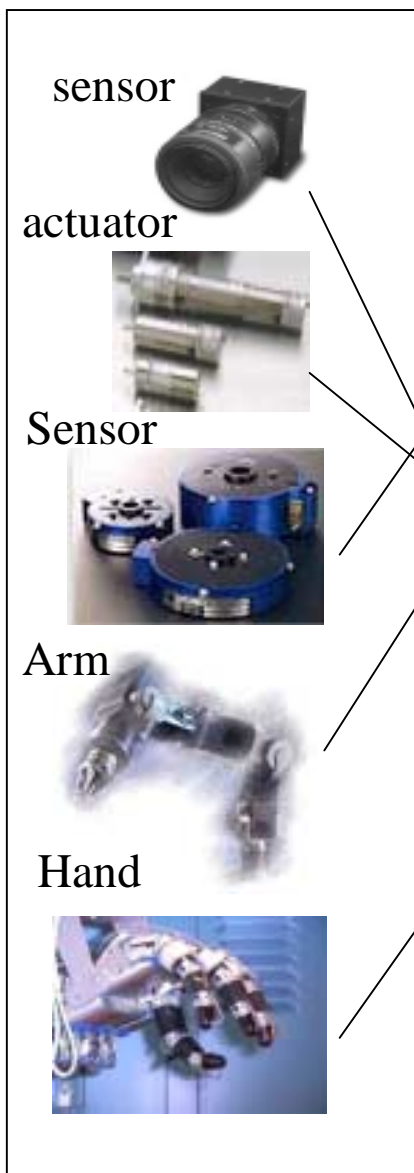
Integrated System



**Commercially
available
components**

Contents Business





sensor

actuator

Sensor

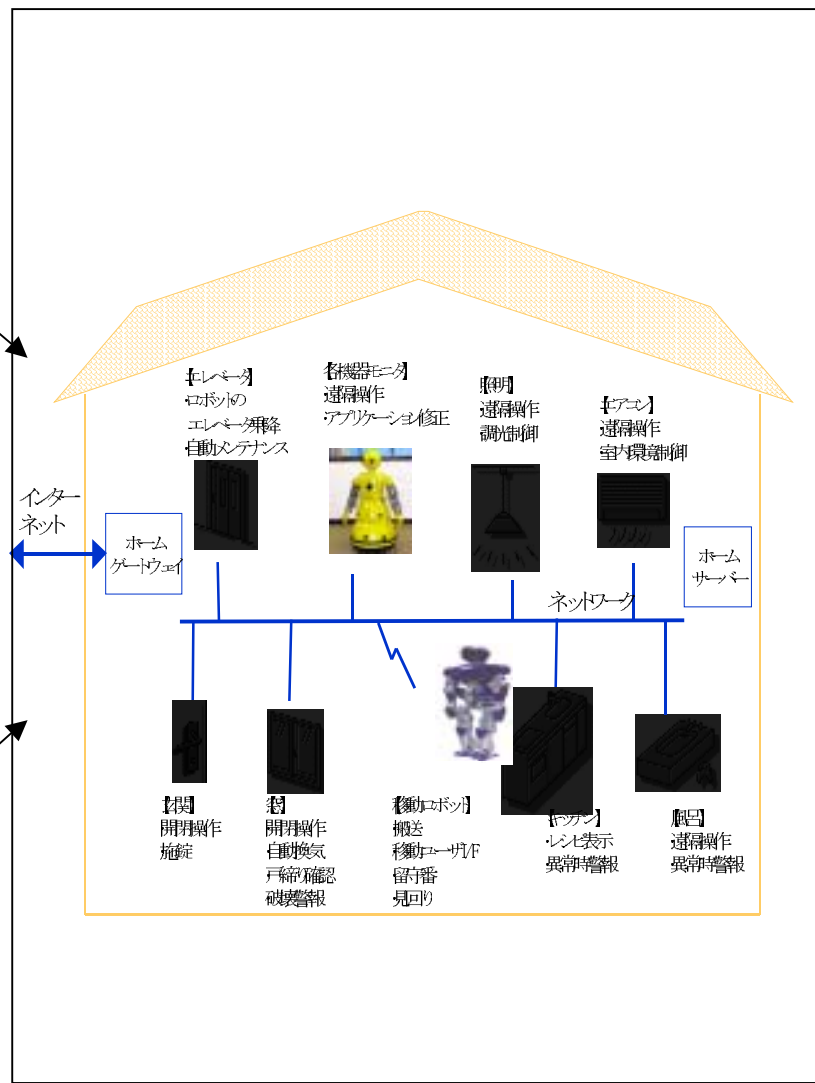
Arm

Hand

Components



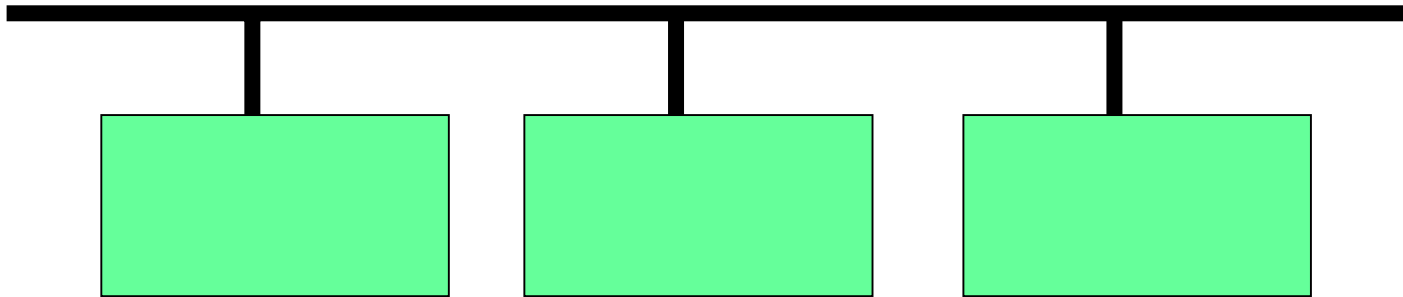
Robots



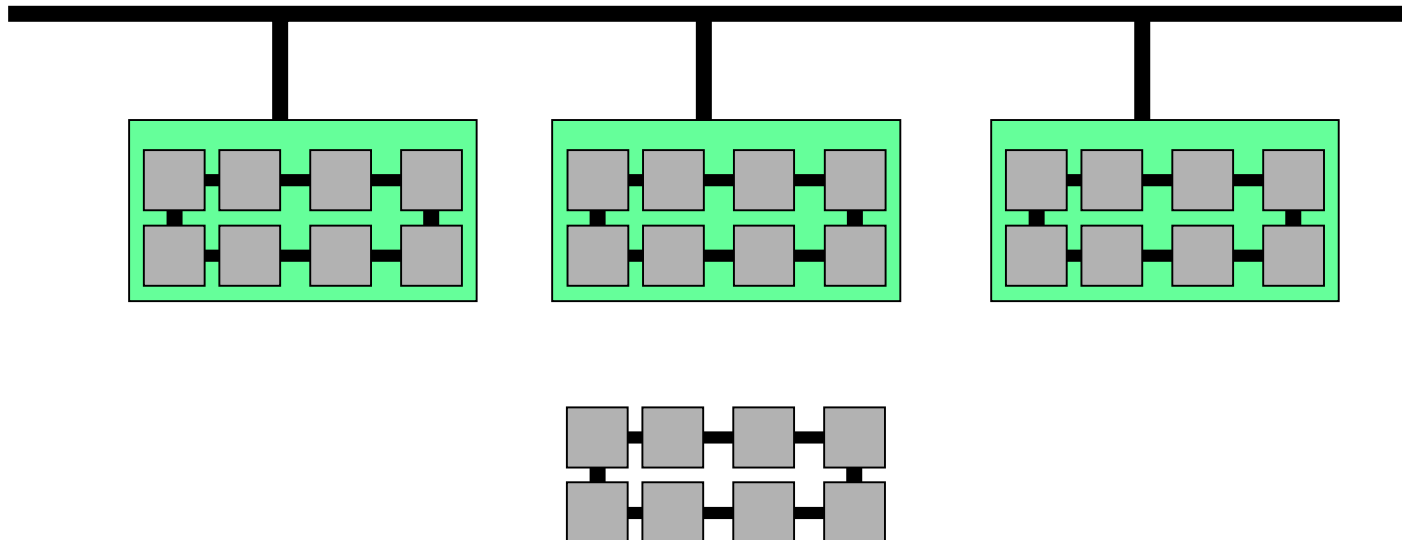
Robot Integrated System

Two kinds of Modularization

Part I (Subsystem)



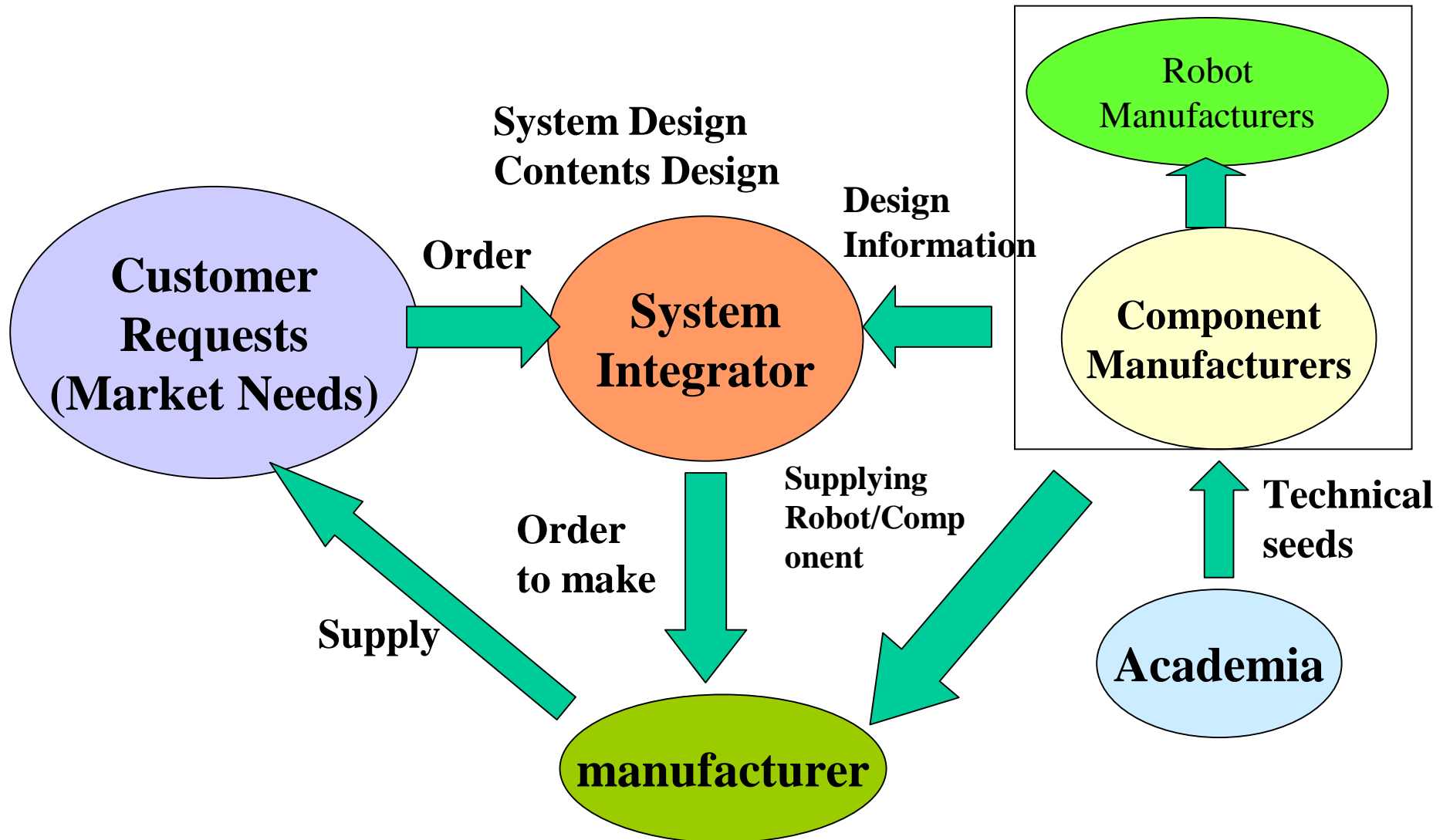
Part II (Component)



Three Kinds of Robotic Businesses

- 1. Robot Component Manufacturer**
- 2. Robot Manufacturer**
- 3. Robot System Integrator**

A Future Robotic Industry Business Model



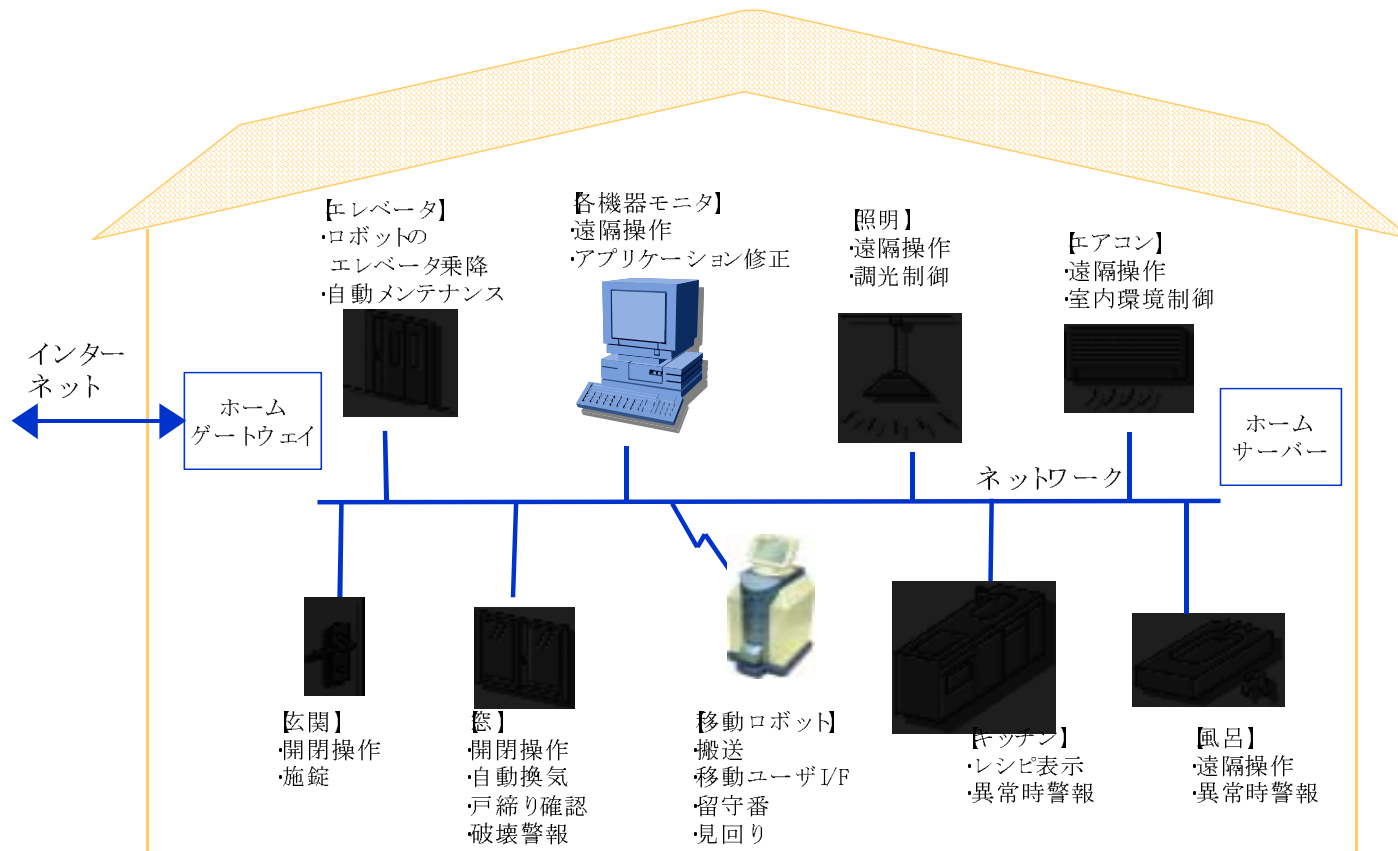


図5 RT要素の統合により設計されるカスタムメイドホームサービスロボットシステムの一例(NEDOミドルウェアプロジェクト)



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