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Comprehensive guide to OEEAI

Transforming Operation Efficiency in Manufacturing



Gain Deep Insights: Understand every aspect of production in real-time, uncovering hidden optimisation opportunities.



Eliminate inefficiencies: Automatically detect and address operational losses and downtime with AI-driven analytics.



Drive Sustainable Improvements: Implement data-driven strategies to boost productivity, reduce costs, and maintain high quality standards.

KEY COMPONENTS Explained



Unplanned Loss Automation

Unplanned losses, such as machine breakdowns or process inefficiencies, can significantly impact manufacturing productivity. Traditionally, these losses have been challenging to predict and manage. However, with our OEEAI solution, manufacturers can now leverage advanced AI-driven analytics and machine learning to automate the detection, analysis, and resolution of these issues.



Short Interval Control (SIC)

Short Interval Control (SIC) is a key feature of our OEEAI solution, enabling manufacturers to maintain tight control over their production processes. By offering real-time data updates and continuous monitoring, SIC ensures that deviations are identified and addressed promptly, leading to improved overall performance.



Automated Ideal Cycle Times

One of the standout capabilities of OEEAI is the automated management and optimization of cycle times. OEEAI systems analyze operational data in real-time to identify deviations from optimal cycle times that consume excessive energy. By adjusting the cycle times to their ideal parameters, manufacturers can significantly reduce wasted energy, thereby enhancing overall energy efficiency.



Event Detection & ML Integration

The traditional approach to managing unplanned losses often relies heavily on human intervention and manual analysis. Our OEEAI solution advances this process by integrating ML models that not only classify the reasons for unplanned losses but also predict future events (predictive maintenance), enabling proactive interventions.



Direct Causal Analysis

Direct Causal Analysis is another crucial aspect of our OEEAI solution, offering manufacturers the tools to delve deep into the interrelationships within their production lines. By leveraging advanced analytics, this component enables a clearer understanding of asset interactions, efficient root cause identification, and timely corrective actions.



1

Automating the Calculation of Ideal Cycle Times

We utilise sophisticated AI and ML models to automate the calculation of ideal cycle times. These models analyse vast amounts of production data to determine the most efficient cycle times under various conditions. This automated calculation provides manufacturers with precise benchmarks, reflecting optimal production conditions. By relying on data-driven insights, manufacturers can ensure that their operations are set to achieve the highest possible efficiency.

2

Providing Benchmarks for Optimal Production Conditions

The calculated ideal cycle times serve as benchmarks for optimal production conditions. These benchmarks are critical for assessing the efficiency of current production processes. By establishing clear standards, OEEAI enables manufacturers to identify gaps between actual performance and ideal conditions. This benchmarking process is essential for driving continuous improvement and ensuring that production lines operate at their best.

AUTOMATED IDEAL CYCLE TIMES

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Comparing Actual Cycle Times to Ideal Ones

Once the ideal cycle times are established, OEEAI continuously compares actual cycle times to these benchmarks. This real-time comparison allows for immediate identification of discrepancies and inefficiencies. By monitoring these variations, manufacturers can gain valuable insights into their operations, identifying areas that require adjustment to meet optimal performance levels.

4

Suggesting Adjustments to Minimise Cycle Times

The ultimate goal of Automated Ideal Cycle Times is to suggest actionable adjustments that minimise cycle times and maximise efficiency. Based on the discrepancies identified in the comparison process, OEEAI provides recommendations for process improvements. These suggestions may include adjustments in machine settings, workflow changes, or maintenance actions. By implementing these recommendations, manufacturers can reduce cycle times, enhance productivity, and achieve greater overall efficiency.



1

Real-Time Overrun Detection

One of the primary features of Unplanned Loss Automation is its ability to identify overruns beyond ideal cycle times. Using sophisticated machine learning models, the system continuously monitors production processes in real-time. When an overrun is detected, OEEAI automatically triggers alerts, ensuring that the issue is addressed promptly. This proactive approach minimises the impact of overruns, preventing minor delays from escalating into significant production stoppages.

2

Automated Alerts and Corrective Actions

Upon detecting an overrun or inefficiency, OEEAI goes beyond mere notification. The system is designed to automate corrective actions, attributing losses to specific processes, assets, or sub-asset components. This granular level of detail enables maintenance teams to pinpoint the root cause of issues swiftly, facilitating faster resolutions and reducing downtime.

UNPLANNED LOSS AUTOMATION

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Loss Identification and Monitoring

In addition to handling immediate issues, OEEAI offers robust loss identification and monitoring capabilities. The system continuously analyses production data, identifying patterns and trends that may indicate potential inefficiencies. By monitoring these losses over time, manufacturers can gain valuable insights into their operations, uncovering hidden opportunities for optimisation.

4

Minimising Downtime and Improving Availability

The ultimate goal of Unplanned Loss Automation is to enhance the overall availability of manufacturing equipment. By swiftly addressing unplanned losses and implementing data-driven corrective actions, OEEAI helps to minimise downtime. This increased availability translates to higher productivity, as machines and processes can operate at their optimal efficiency for longer periods.



1

Classifying Reasons for Unplanned Losses

EdgeMethods OEEAI employs advanced ML models to analyse and classify the causes of unplanned losses. These models continuously learn from production data, improving their accuracy over time. By automating the classification process, OEEAI reduces the dependency on human entry, minimising the potential for errors and biases. This automation ensures a more reliable and efficient identification of root causes, allowing for quicker resolution and less downtime.

2

Learning and Automating Decision-Making

As the ML models process more data, they become increasingly adept at recognising patterns and making informed decisions. This continuous learning capability means that OEEAI can automate decision-making processes related to unplanned losses. By doing so, the system enhances its accuracy and efficiency, leading to more effective management of operational disruptions. This automation frees up valuable human resources, allowing operators and engineers to focus on higher-level tasks and strategic improvements.

EVENT DETECTION AND ML INTEGRATION

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Predicting Future Unplanned Events

One of the standout features of OEEAI's Event Detection and ML Integration is its predictive capability. By analysing historical and real-time data, the ML models can forecast potential unplanned events before they occur. This predictive power enables operators to intervene proactively, addressing issues before they escalate into significant disruptions. Such foresight not only minimises downtime but also optimises the overall performance and reliability of manufacturing processes.

4

Reducing Dependency on Human Entry and Manual Analysis

The integration of ML in OEEAI significantly reduces the reliance on human entry and manual analysis. By automating these processes, OEEAI ensures more consistent and accurate data handling. This reduction in manual intervention both enhances operational efficiency whilst also mitigating the risk of human error, leading to more reliable and actionable insights.



1

Understanding Asset Interconnections

At the heart of Direct Causal Analysis is the ability to map and understand how assets are interconnected within the production line. This holistic view is crucial for identifying how different components influence each other and the overall production process. By analysing these interconnections, OEEAI helps manufacturers identify potential points of failure and optimise the configuration and operation of assets to enhance efficiency.

2

Pinpointing Root Causes Efficiently

When issues arise in the production process, identifying the root cause quickly is critical to minimise downtime and avoid repeated disruptions. OEEAI's Direct Causal Analysis employs sophisticated algorithms to trace issues back to their origin, whether it's a malfunctioning piece of equipment, a process inefficiency, or an external factor. This precise identification allows for targeted interventions, ensuring that problems are addressed at their source and reducing the likelihood of recurrence.

DIRECT CAUSAL ANALYSIS

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Preventing Cascading Issues

One of the most challenging aspects of managing a complex production environment is preventing minor issues from escalating into major disruptions. Direct Causal Analysis in OEEAI focuses on actions needed to prevent such cascading issues. By understanding the potential ripple effects of a problem, the system can suggest and implement preventive measures, ensuring timely and effective responses. This proactive approach safeguards the production line from widespread impacts, maintaining smooth and continuous operations.



1

Real-Time Data Updates

At the core of SIC is its ability to provide real-time data updates. The system continuously monitors various production parameters and delivers up-to-the-minute information to operators and decision-makers. This immediate access to data allows for the rapid identification of deviations from expected performance, enabling swift corrective actions. Real-time updates ensure that manufacturers can stay ahead of potential issues and maintain smooth operations.

2

Identifying and Addressing Deviations Quickly

SIC is designed to not only detect deviations but also to facilitate rapid response. When a deviation is identified, the system triggers alerts and provides actionable insights to address the issue promptly. This quick intervention capability minimises the impact of deviations on the production process, preventing minor issues from becoming major disruptions. By addressing deviations in real time, manufacturers can maintain high levels of efficiency and productivity.

SHORT INTERVAL CONTROL (SIC)

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Enhancing Performance, Availability, and Quality

Continuous monitoring and real-time adjustments are central to SIC's ability to enhance performance, availability, and quality. By constantly tracking performance metrics, SIC ensures that production processes operate at their optimal levels. Any deviations that could affect availability or quality are quickly corrected, maintaining the integrity of the production line. This continuous improvement cycle leads to higher overall performance, greater availability of equipment, and superior product quality.



Improved Productivity

Maximised productivity by quickly identifying and addressing unplanned losses and deviations, maintaining steady production rates and meeting targets consistently.

Cost Reduction

By enhancing efficiency and preventing disruptions, OEEAI significantly lowers operational costs associated with downtime, waste, and emergency repairs.

Superior Product Quality

Continuous monitoring and real-time adjustments ensure high-quality production standards, reducing waste and enhancing customer satisfaction.



BUSINESS IMPACT



Data-Driven Decision Making

Comprehensive data insights, enabling informed decision-making and strategic process optimisations for improved agility and responsiveness.



Enhanced Operational Efficiency

Streamlined production processes by automating the detection and resolution of inefficiencies, ensuring optimal performance and resource utilisation.

Carbon Savings & GHG Reductions

Significant reductions in GHG emissions by implementing targeted operational improvements and energy optimisations.



Why Choose EdgeMethods OEEAI?

EdgeMethods offers industry-leading expertise in AI-driven operational efficiency solutions, providing dedicated customer support and continuous improvement, along with seamless integration with your existing data sources and infrastructure. Here's why you should trust us to be your OEEAI delivery partner:



We were voted **a top 10 IoT Solution Provider in 2024** for our innovative solutions



Our solutions have also been **supported and endorsed** by **Innovate UK** (the UK's Innovation Agency) through the **Smart Sustainable Factory division**

Let's Get Started!

Take the decisive first step towards more efficient and sustainable manufacturing operations...

Contact us for a free consultative session and discover how our OEEAI solution can help your company achieve its operational efficiency and productivity goals.



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