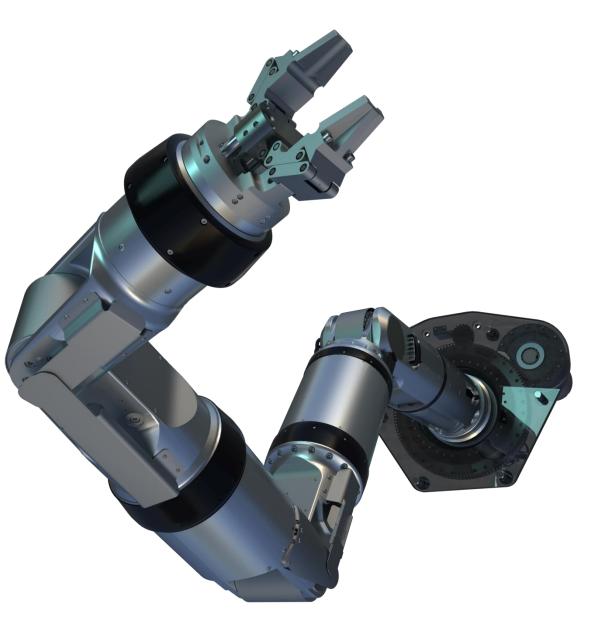
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Where to Start

Define your needs, once needs are solidified a specification can be compiled to allow the system to be procured.

Environment:

- Temperature
- Pressure
- · Contamination
- Moisture
- Chemical
- Radiation

Required Tasks:

- Types of material to be handled
- Large/bulky
- Sludge/liquids
- Range of motion
- Payload requirements
- Tools required

Access:

- New or existing facility
- New or existing penetration
- Size and location of access

Deployment:

- Crane
- Gantry
- Crawler
- Through wall
- Over wall

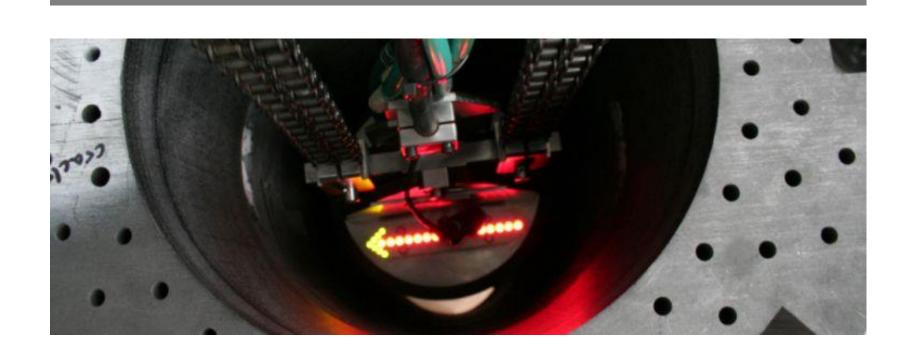
Select the Right Solution

Based on the requirements laid out in the specification determine the solution that best fits your challenge.

Some things to consider when selecting a solution.

- Manipulator power source
- -Hydraulic
- -Electromechanical
- Failure modes and recovery
- -Fail in place/limp
- -In cell access/out cell access
- Maintenance provisions
- Control system options
- Safety and administrative controls
- Modifications to site required

Selecting the right manipulator may not be a manipulator at all. Many tasks can be easily completed using a piece of remote equipment that is designed for the task required.



Off the Shelf Advantage

Does an off the shelf solution exist?
Off the shelf solutions are often

- More reliable
- Faster to procure
- More cost effective

Many predesigned and tested systems can be modified to the unique challenges of an environment with minimal effort.

- Increasing/decreasing joint lengths
- Adding or removing joints
- Modifying mounting and installation
- Adapting design to operate with different fluid or chemicals
- Customizing tooling
- Custom end effectors
- Adapting to unique deployment challenges
- Adding custom control options

Partnering with a reputable equipment provider that acts in your best interest will further reduce your project risk, increase performance and enhance safety.



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