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## Technology & Machinery Development

### Effect of Technology and Machinery on Production World vs Africa



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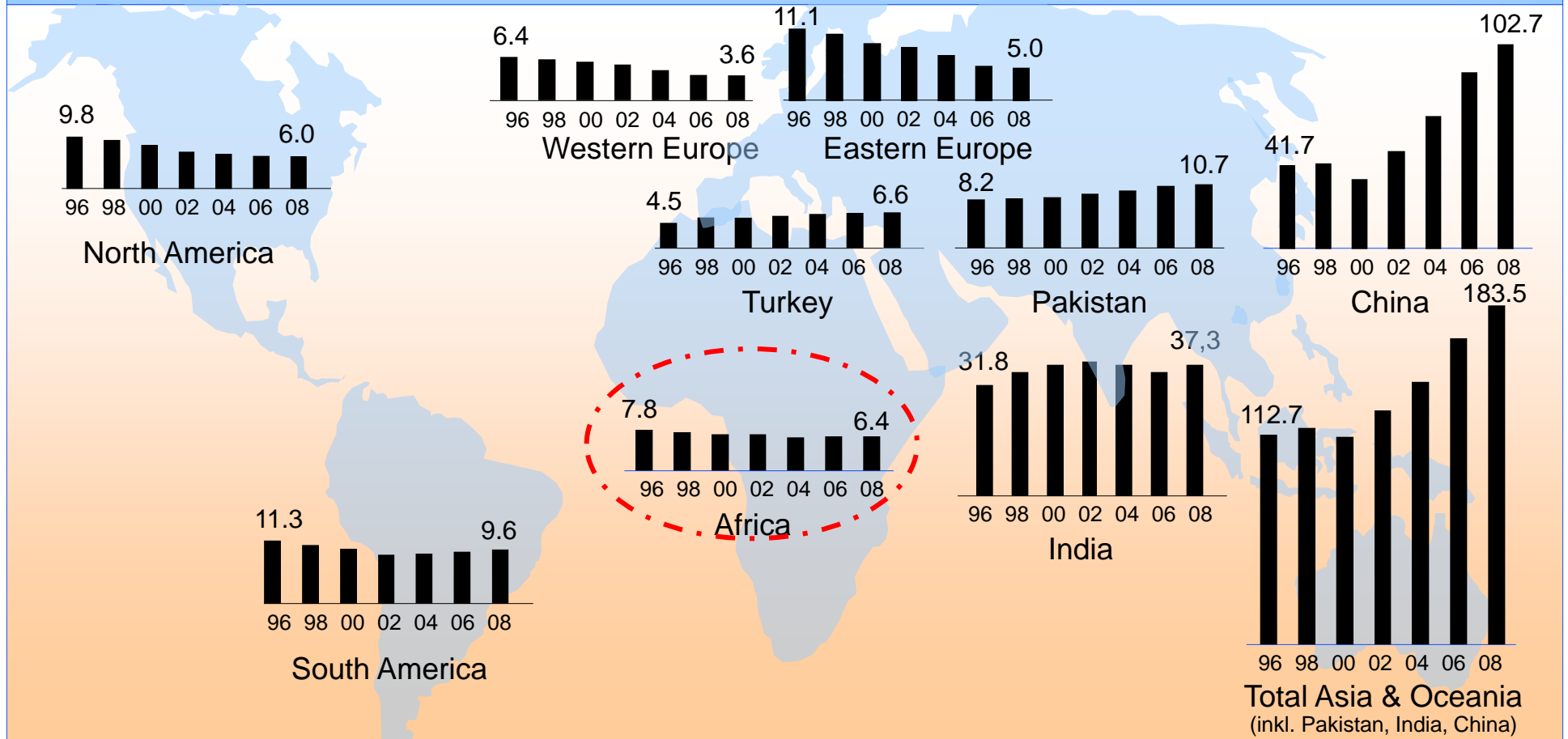


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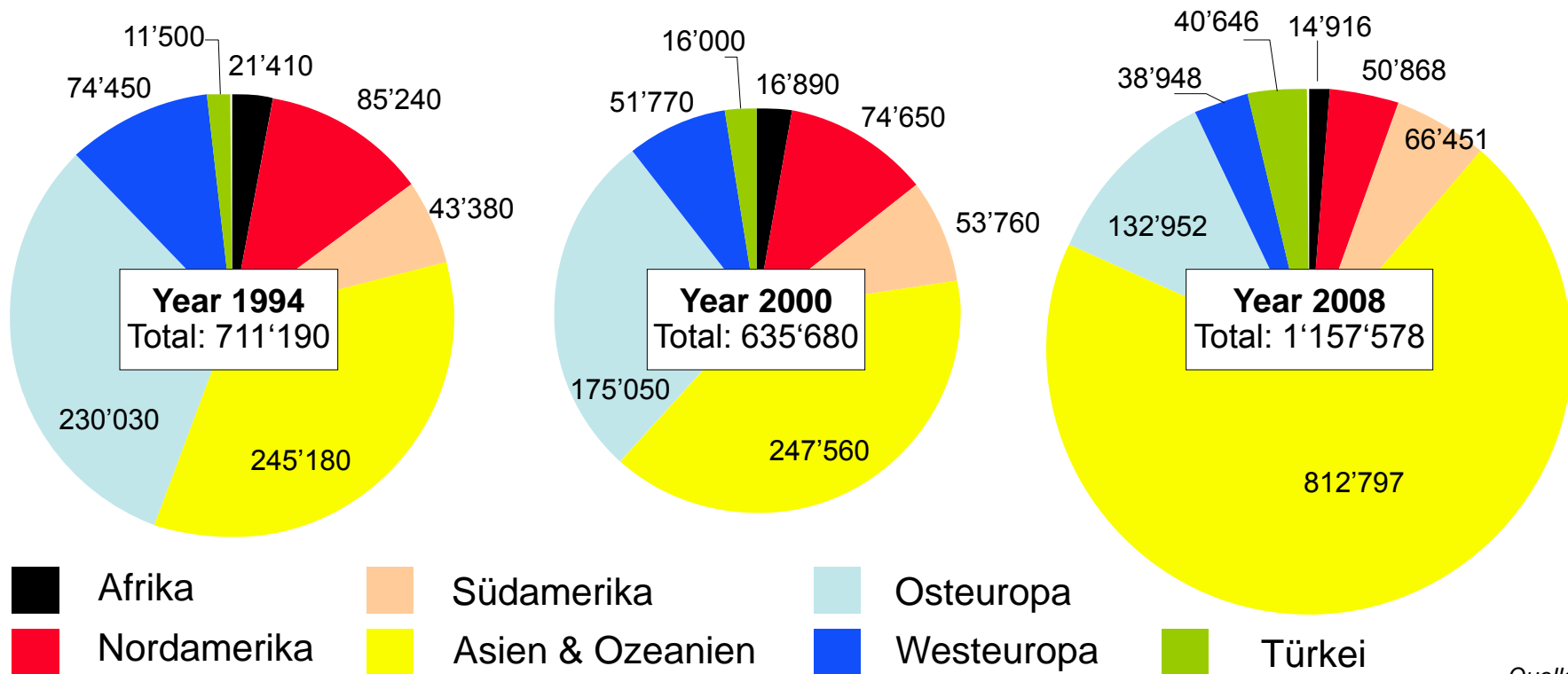
World spinning installed capacities [Mn spindles]



Source: ITMF

## Majority of installed shuttleless weaving machines today are in Asia

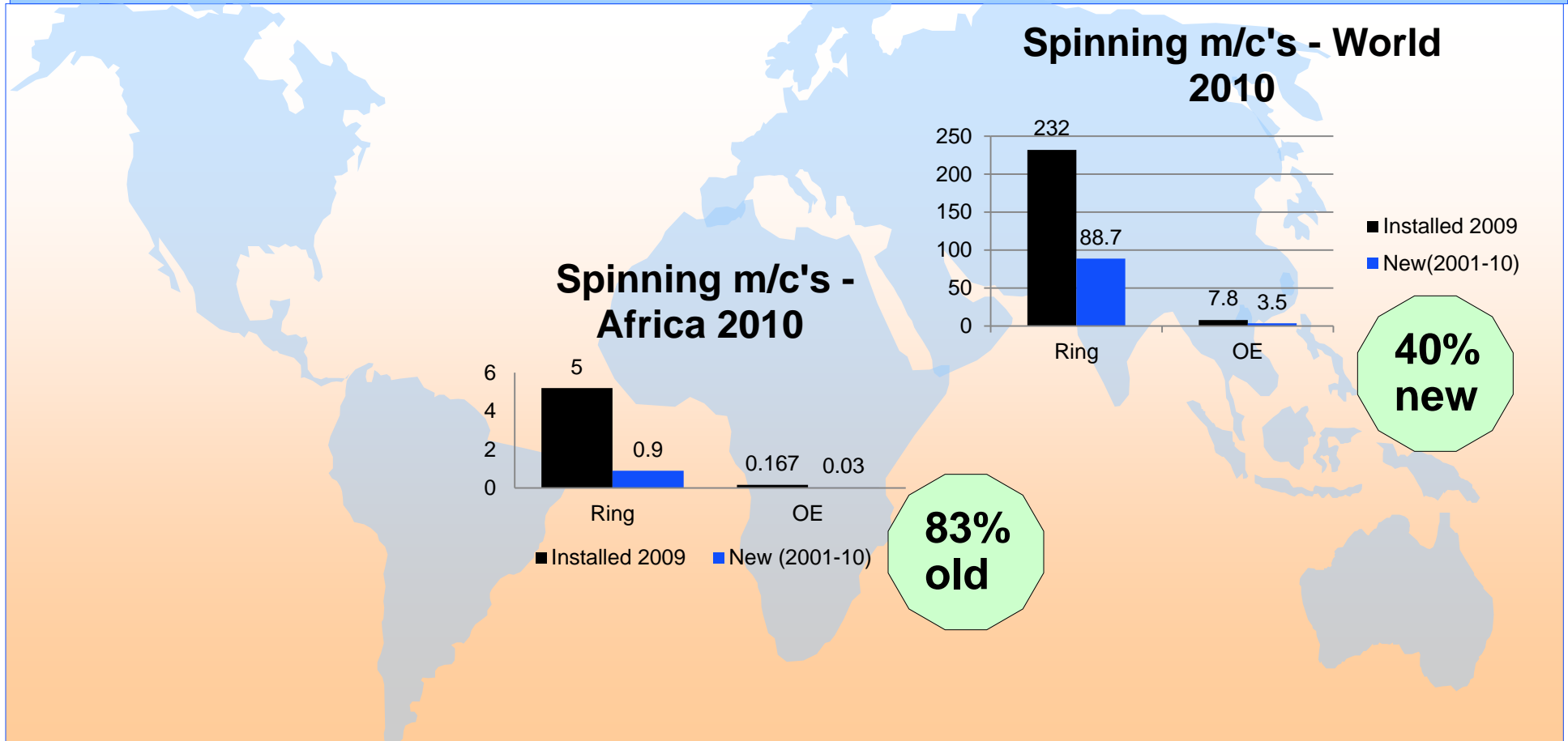
### Development of installed shuttleless weaving machines (1994 – 2008)



Quelle: ITMF

# Less than 1/5th of spinning machinery installed in Africa is below 10 years old

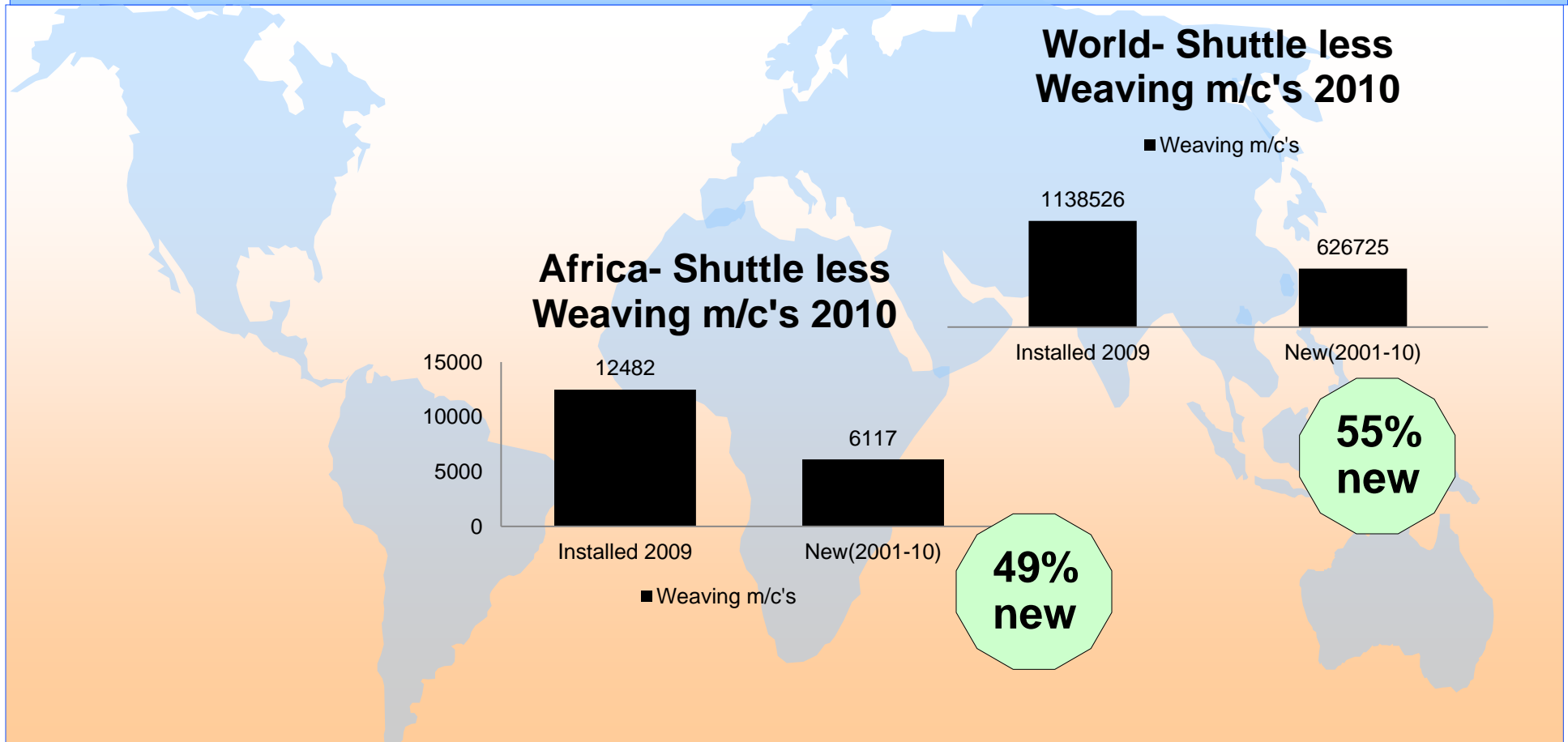
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# Although Africa still has shuttle looms, 49% of its shuttle less weaving m/c's are less than 10 years old

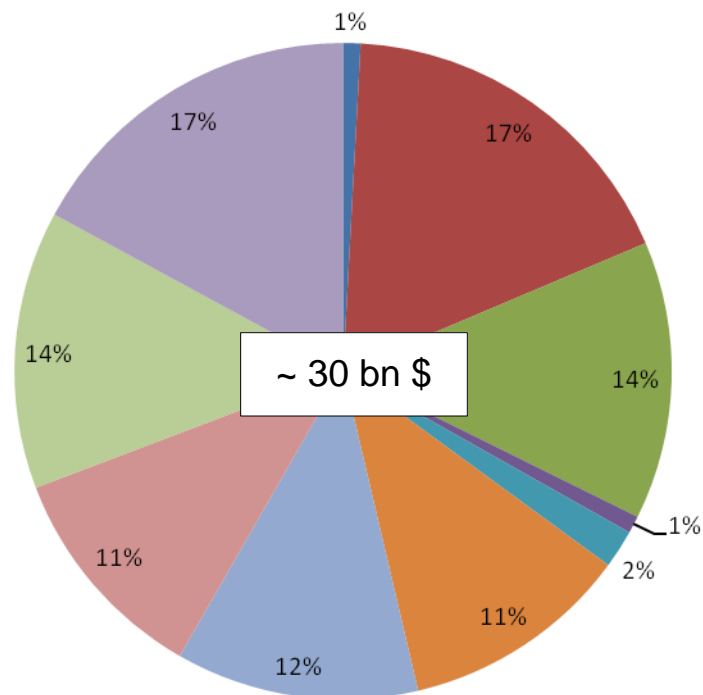
World shuttle less weaving m/c's installed capacities [No.]



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# Total world wide demand for textile machinery<sup>1</sup> was estimated at about US\$ 30 bn in 2010

## 2010 Total Textile Machinery demand [1\$=1.28CHF, 1€=1.4\$]



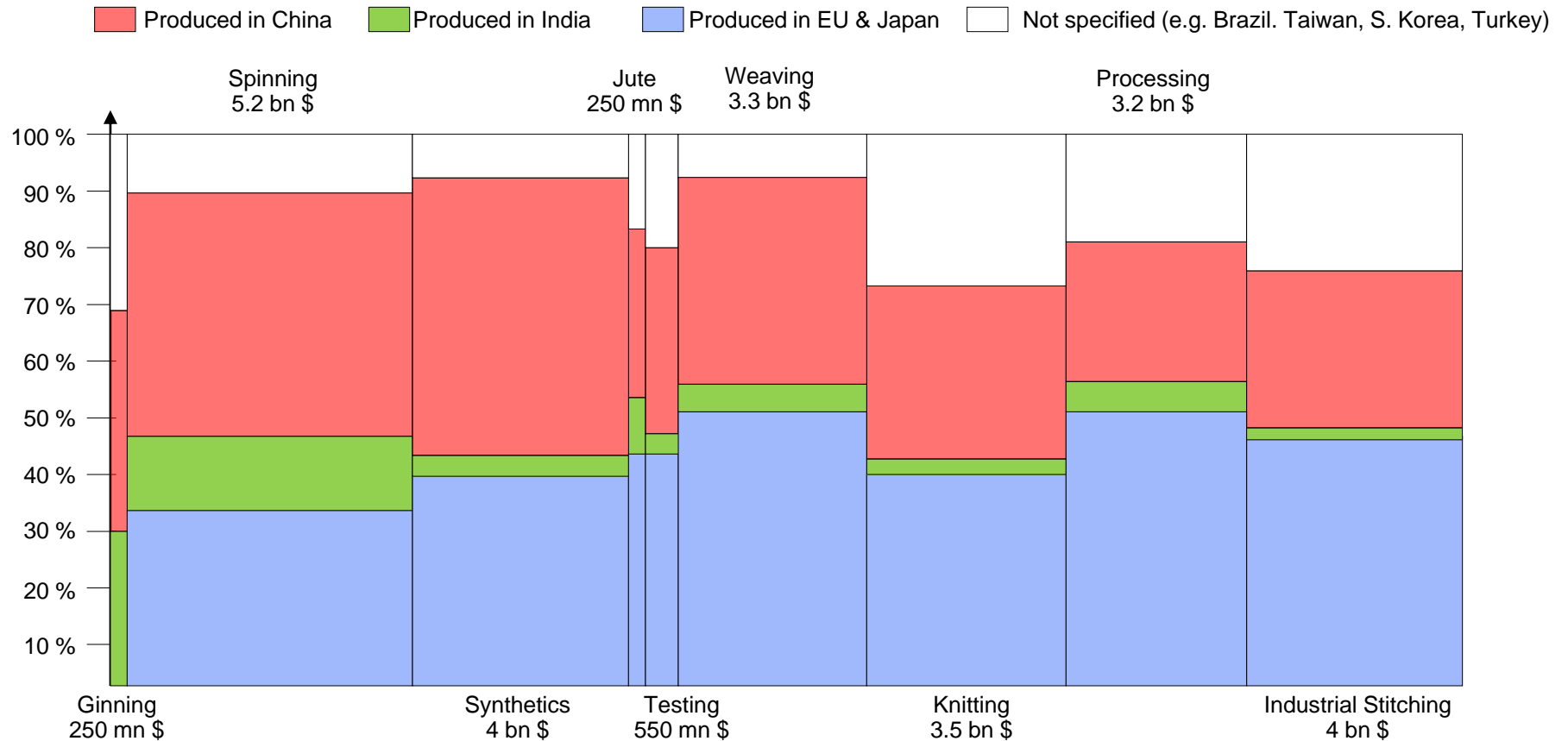
Ginning	250 mn \$	=	1%
Short staple spinning	5'200 mn \$	=	17%
Synthetic	4'000 mn \$	=	14%
Jute	250 mn \$	=	1%
Testing equipment	550 mn \$	=	2%
Weaving	3'300 mn \$	=	11%
Knitting	3'500 mn \$	=	12%
Finishing	3'200 mn \$	=	11%
Industrial stitching	4'000 mn \$	=	14%
Msc <sup>2</sup>	5'000 mn \$	=	17%

<sup>1</sup> not including spares, consumables and accessories as well as second hand machinery

<sup>2</sup> including nonwoven, webforming, longstaple, embroidery, braiding, trimming and other garmenting equipment (cutting, engraving, fusing, quilting, ironing, folding), other synthetic machinery (other than extrusion & texturizing), etc

# China has become the leading textile machinery producing country

## 2010 – Repartition of major textile machinery producing regions [1\$=1.28CHF, 1€=1.4\$]



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## Segmentation, definitions and specifications: Ring Spinning

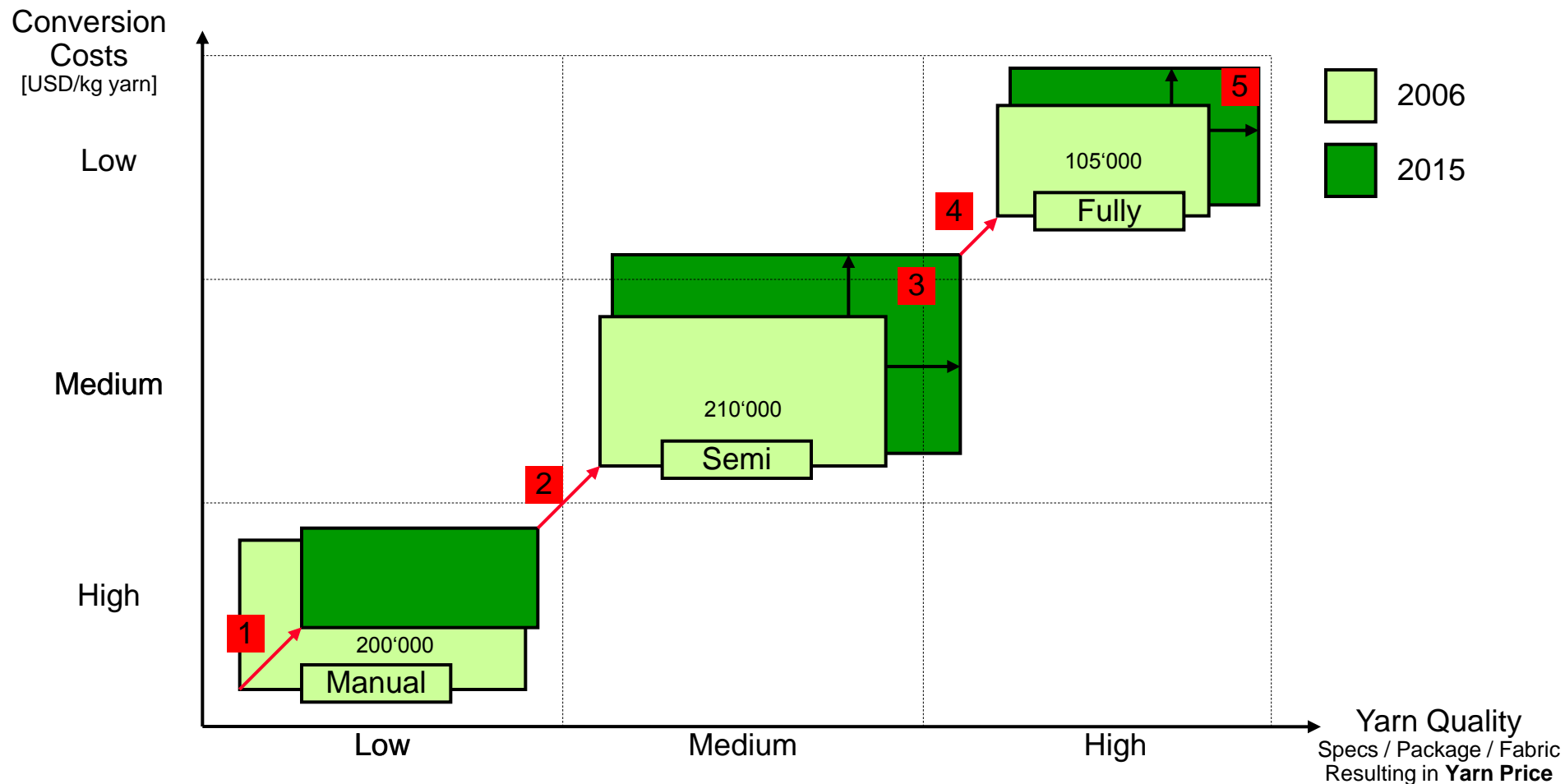
<b>Premium</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• State of art machine with high speed and high quality</li><li>• M/c equipped with maximum spindles per machine (1632 / 1680)</li><li>• Automatic doffing mechanism connected to automatic cone winder</li><li>• Spindle speed &gt; 22,000 rpm</li><li>• Price range (200-225 US\$ / Spindle)</li></ul>
<b>High</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Modern machine with most of automation features</li><li>• Machine equipped with automatic doffing mechanism</li><li>• Spindle speed in the range of 20,000 rpm</li><li>• Imported components ( Texparts, Novibra )</li><li>• Price range (90-120 US\$ / Spindle)</li></ul>
<b>Medium</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ring frames with high speed up to 16000 rpm</li><li>• Ring frames without auto doffer</li><li>• Price range (60-75 US\$ / Spindle)</li></ul>
<b>Low</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Conventional machine with less features</li><li>• Ring frames with high speed up to 13000 rpm</li><li>• Machines with minimum spindles</li><li>• Indigenous components</li><li>• Price range (50-55 US\$ / Spindle)</li></ul>



## Significant differences between three generations of rotor spinning technology

	Automated		Semi Automated				Manual		
	Schlafh. AC 360	Rieter R 40	Schlafh. BD 380	Rieter BT 923	Rifa RFRS 30	Taitan TQF 268	Shanxi FA 601	Jingde F1603	Jingwei F1603
<b>No. of rotors</b>	480	400	352	320	240	240	200	192	192
<b>Speed [rpm]</b>	150'000	135'000	110'000	110'000	100'000	95'000	75'000	75'000	60'000
<b>Delivery [mpm]</b>	300	300	180	170	170	150	90	106	110
<b>Piecing Automation</b>	Fully	Fully	Semi	Semi	Semi	Semi	Manual	Manual	Manual
<b>Tube Loading</b>	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Package Doffing</b>	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No

## Rotor spinning technology is shifting towards semi and fully automatic m/c's



## **Air jet spinning, with its productivity and yarn quality, will revolutionize the future spinning**



## Significant strengths and opportunities at the running performances show the potential of Air jet spinning

### Strengths of the Air Jet technology

#### Running performance

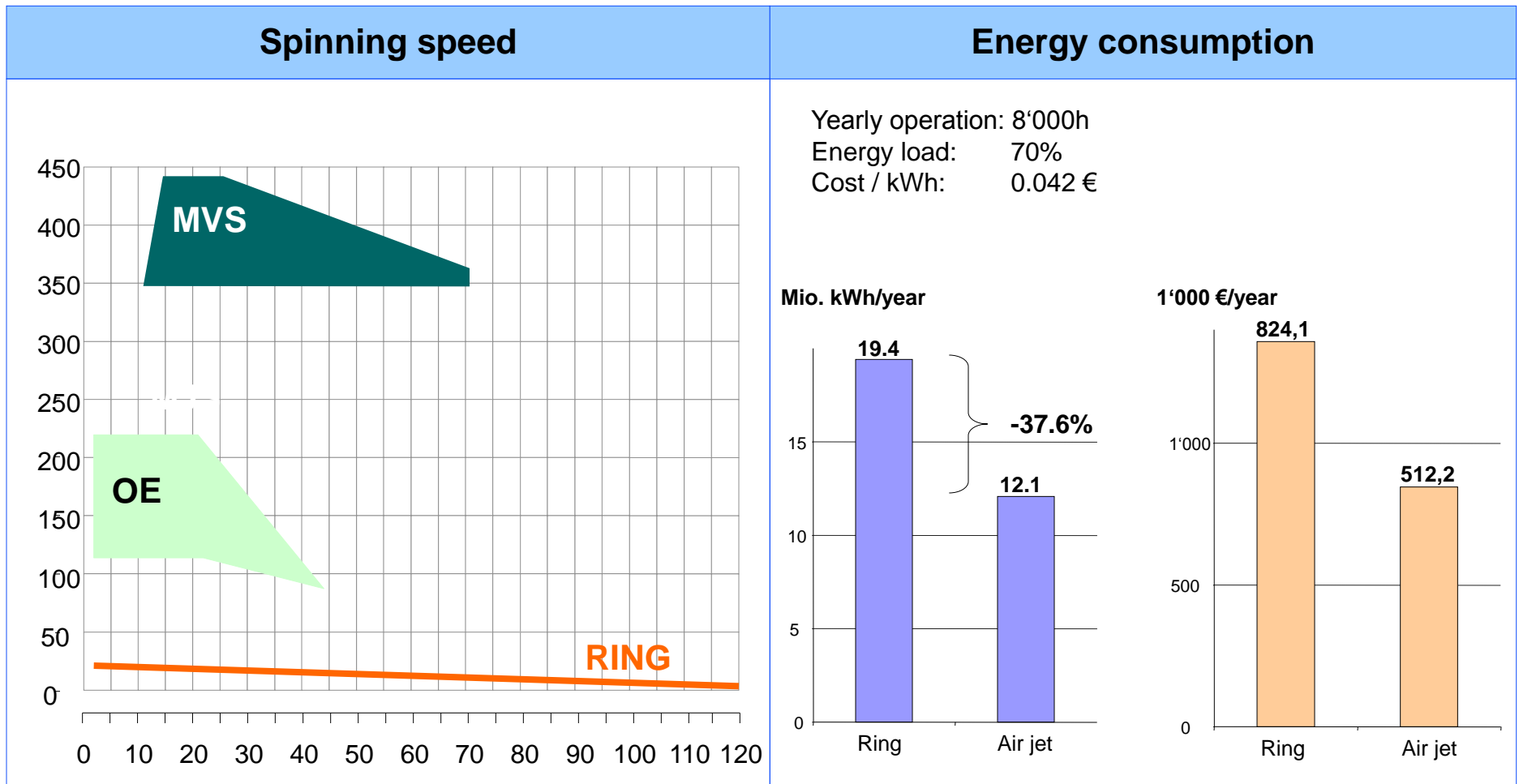
- High productivity (350-450 m/min)
- High efficiency: KOB: 90-94% / BS: 95%
- Low labour requirement compared to other systems
- Less energy costs (less installed power per machine, less air condition and less space)
- Lower conversion costs than ring and OE (lower investment and higher productivity)
- Yarn quality comparable or better than ring and OE in most of the necessary parameters
- Higher pilling resistance and 40% less hairiness compared to ring yarn
- Higher yarn strength compared to OE yarn, little lower than ring yarn
- Yarn is bright, soft and shiny, due to its closed and smooth yarn surface (bright colors)
- Lower investment costs (smaller building, no roving frame, no winders, 1 more drawer)

## The dominant criteria of the Air jet technology are the high productivity and the lower investment costs compared to Ring- and OE-technology

	Comparison criteria	
	Air jet vs. Ring	Air jet vs. OE
Investment costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The total investment costs are <b>lower</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The total investment cost about <b>equal</b></li> </ul>
Labour costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Abt. <b>50%</b> of operational staff is required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Abt. <b>80%</b> of operational staff is required</li> </ul>
Energy costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Savings <b>up to 30%</b> are proven</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Savings <b>up to 15%</b> are proven</li> </ul>
Production space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Half</b> of the space (same prod-capacity)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Space demand about <b>equal</b></li> </ul>
Process complexity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Much lower</b> process complexity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Comparable</b> process complexity</li> </ul>
Yarn quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lower hairiness</li> <li>Higher pilling resistance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lower hairiness</li> <li>Higher pilling resistance</li> </ul>



## High speed and low energy costs lead to lower conversion costs in comparison to ring spin technology (e.g.: 4'000 MT p.a., Ne 30 Combed)



Source: Gherzi Research

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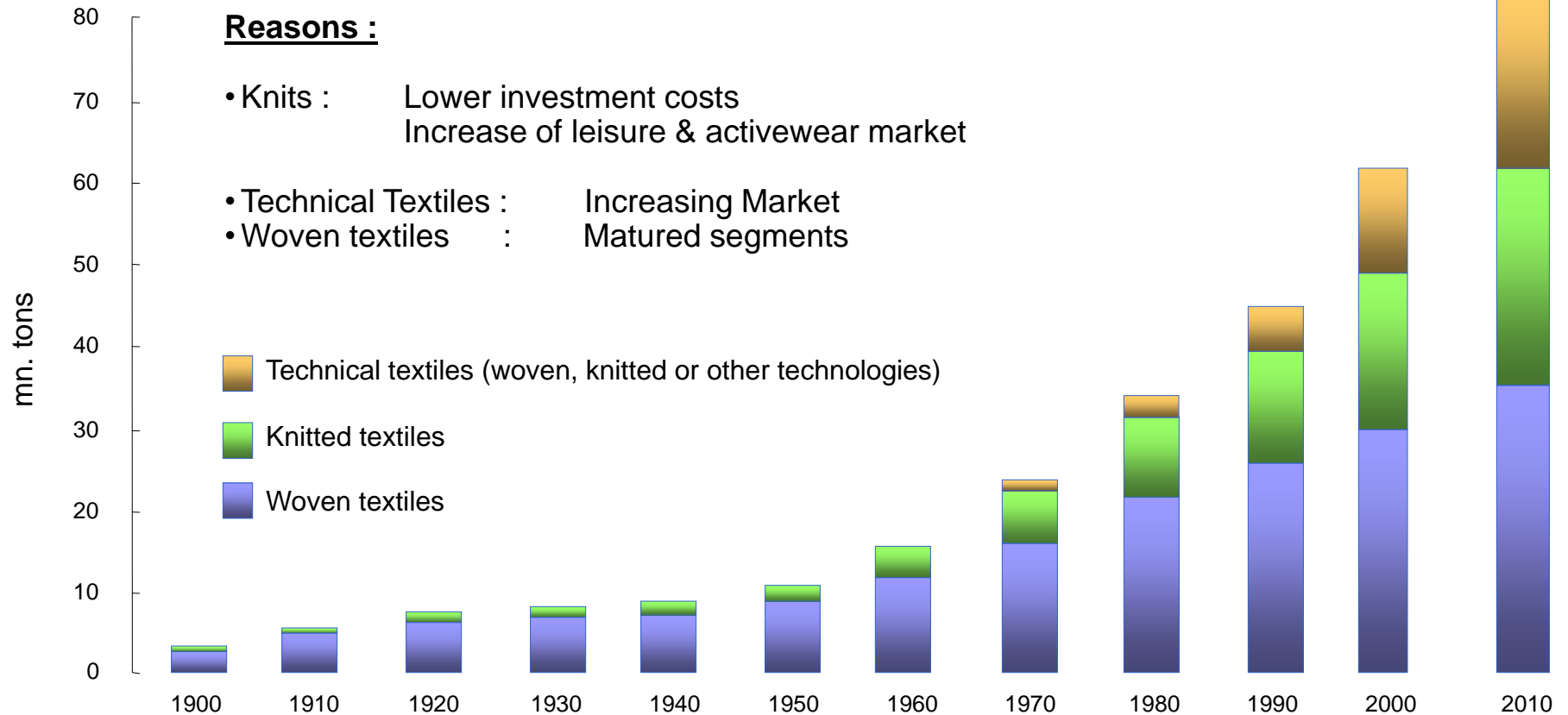
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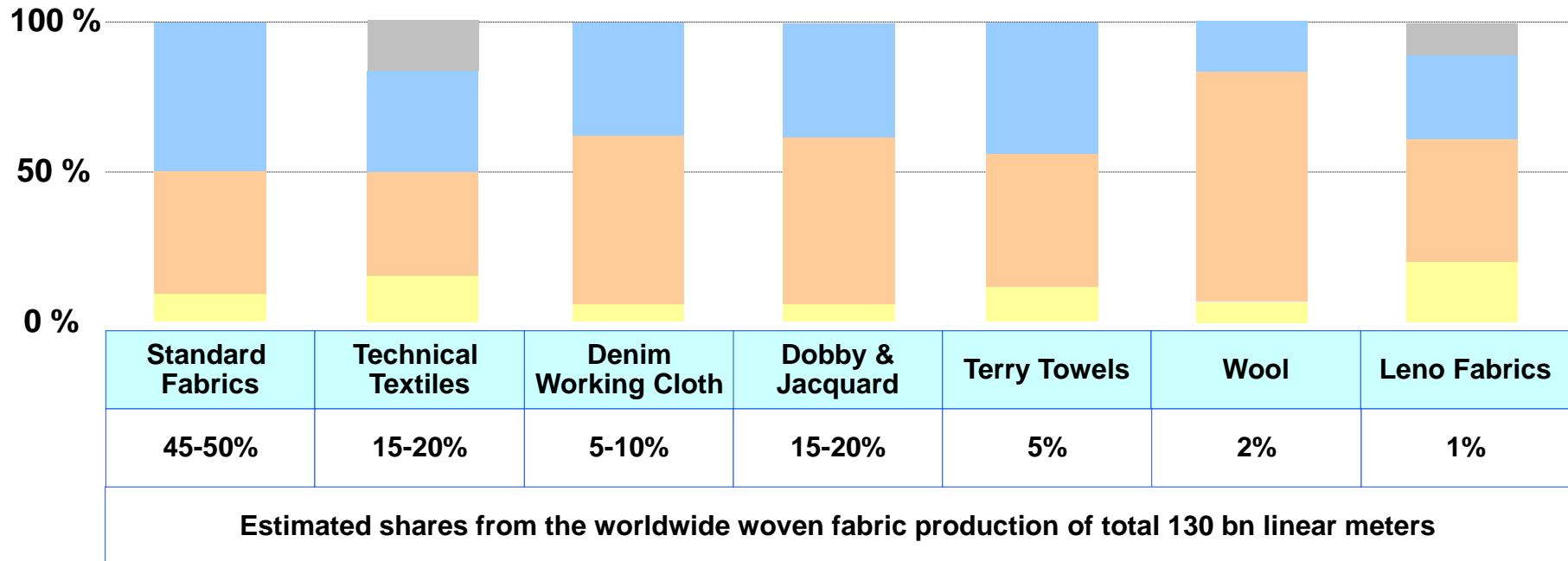
## Knits are growing faster than woven products while the latter reached a maturity phase in product life cycle

### Evolution of the woven, knitted and technical textile fabric consumption



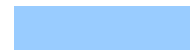
Source: PCI Fibres, Gherzi estimates

## Different woven fabric types require different weaving technology

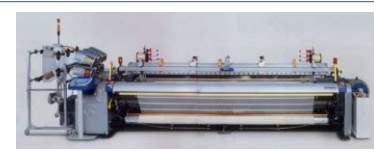


 Projectile

 Rapier

 Air-jet

 Waterjet



Vamatex Leonardo Silver

## Segmentation specifications: Rapier Technology

<b>Premium</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Robustly engineered</li> <li>• Heavy fabrics – conveyor belt , hard ballistic and technical textiles</li> <li>• Neckties, tapestry and upholstery from silk</li> <li>• Finest fabrics like filter fabrics and airbags</li> <li>• High quality fabric with dobby styles upto 28 shafts, 12 and 16 color</li> </ul>
<b>High</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High productivity (650 rpm) , optimum fabric quality and minimum waste</li> <li>• Mechanical components and advanced electronics, microprocessor control</li> <li>• Wide range of yarns, up to 12 color , 24 shaft electronic dobby</li> <li>• free flight rapier insertion</li> <li>• Apparels and furnishing</li> </ul>
<b>Medium</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to 500 rpm</li> <li>• Up to 8 color, 20 shaft electronic dobby / Jacquard, Guided rapier system</li> <li>• Furnishing and terry towel in SME</li> </ul>
<b>Low</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low productivity (up to 300 rpm), 2 color</li> <li>• Standard fabrics with simple construction</li> <li>• Mainly serving the domestic market</li> <li>• All segments but concentrating on simple styles and cheap raw material</li> </ul>



## Segmentation specifications: Airjet Technology

<b>Premium</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heavy fabrics and technical textiles e.g. air bag fabrics and awning</li> <li>• QSC, warp stop motion without drop wire and easing motion</li> <li>• Bidirectional communication</li> </ul>
<b>High</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High productivity (900 - 1000 rpm) and optimum fabric quality,</li> <li>• Mechanical settings wherever possible been replaced with electronic ones</li> <li>• Versatile application, sophisticated high end products</li> <li>• Automation with microprocessor</li> <li>• Suitable for shirting, trousering ,denim, sheeting and terry towel</li> <li>• Upto 8 color, cam motion 10 shafts or electronic positive dobbie</li> </ul>
<b>Medium</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low productivity (800 rpm)</li> <li>• Automation with microprocessor</li> <li>• 2 to 4 color selection</li> <li>• Reed motion – central 4 bar linkages</li> <li>• Crank drive 4 shaft or cam motion 8 shaft or negative electronic dobbie</li> <li>• Manual pick finding</li> </ul>
<b>Low</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low productivity (600 – 700 rpm)</li> <li>• little automation</li> <li>• Standard fabrics with simple construction</li> <li>• Mainly serving the domestic market</li> </ul>

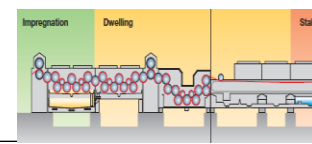
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## Segmentation specifications: Open Width Processing- Mercerizing Range

<p><b>Premium</b> Capacities: 80,000 meters / day Speed: 80 meters / min</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PLC with touch Screen / Tele services and Optimized Liquor Level</li> <li>• Uniform impregnation</li> <li>• Tensionless &amp; crease-free fabric transport, tight strand passage</li> <li>• Heat recovery / Automation/Ideal conditions for water recycling</li> <li>• High end applications for home textiles and apparel fabrics for exports</li> </ul>
<p><b>High</b> Capacities: 50,000 meters / day Speed: 50-60 meters / min</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heat recovery optional</li> <li>• Hot and cold mercerization- optional</li> <li>• Less automation</li> </ul>
<p><b>Medium</b> Capacities: 30,000 meters / day Speed: 30 - 40 meters / min</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In built heat recovery system – optional</li> <li>• Recipe control &amp; fabric details data - optional</li> <li>• pH controlled by manual method</li> <li>• Cold mercerization</li> </ul>
<p><b>Low</b> Capacities: &lt; 15,000 meters / day Speed: 20 meters / min</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred by small &amp; decentralized units</li> </ul>

Source: Gherzi research



**Besides productivity, utility consumption factors give a 25% cost advantage to Premium segment m/c over other high/mid segment machines**

Features	Premium	High	High	Mid	Low
Technical Specification					
Practical Speed ( Mtr / Min)	+80	50	60 - 65	50	40
Utility Consumption					
Water (Lts / Kg )	8 - 10	10 - 12	NA	10 - 12	10 - 12
Steam (Kg / Kg )	2 .0	2.5 - 3	NA	2.5 - 3	2.5 - 3
Power (Kwh / Kg)	0.1 – 0.12	0.12 – 0.15	NA	0.12- 0.16	0.12 - 0.15

Note : Some parametres,especially from locally produced mc's may not be taken at face value due to lack of reliable data base and insufficient references

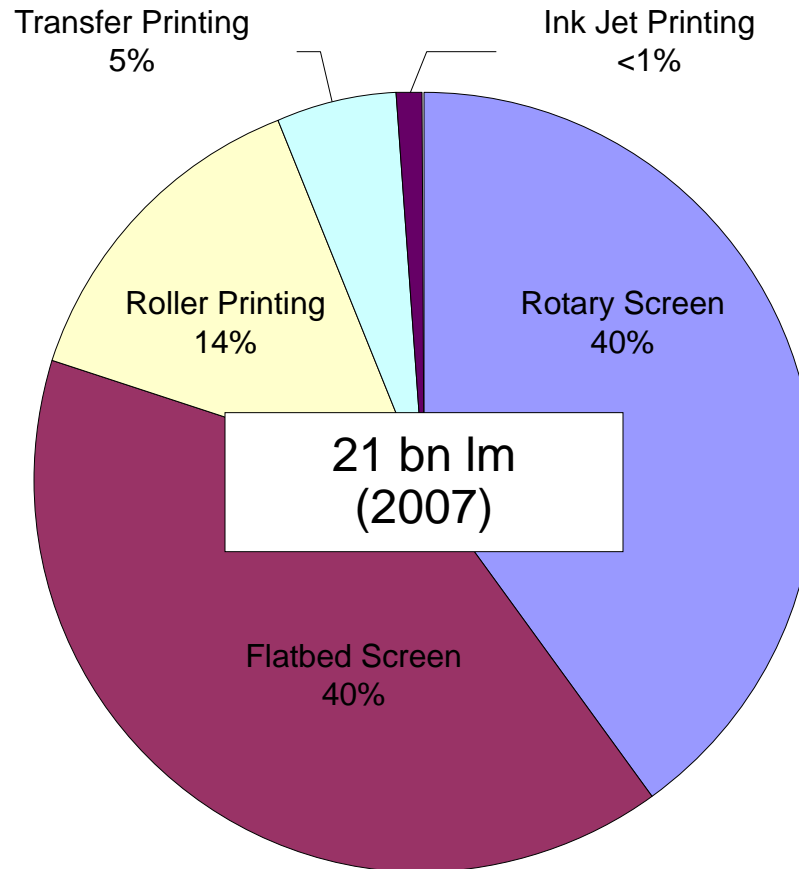
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## Segmentation specifications: Hot air drying, heat setting, and finishing – Stenter

<b>Premium</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Automation</li><li>• Electronic control system</li><li>• Latest electronic and software</li><li>• Available best metallurgy and technology</li><li>• Highest drying performance and air circulation system.</li><li>• Energy saving and economical heat recovery and energy saving concepts.</li></ul>
<b>High</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Modern machine with less advanced features</li></ul>
<b>Medium</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Less features in design system, monitoring system, software, etc.</li></ul>
<b>Low</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Basic machine with no automation</li></ul>

## Screen printing is still the dominant printing technology:



Source: Industry

.....However several factors do favour the growth of digital textile printing which is growing at 20% p.a.

There are important advantages against screen printing		
Factor	Ink Jet	Screen Printing
Setting time (design to print)	Few hours	Several days
Energy consumption	low	medium
Waste water production	Ø 2 liters per m fabric	Ø 25 liters per m fabric
Consumption of Chemicals	Depending on substrate type and ink type in use	Ø 300g per m fabric
Style preparation cost	Low, however depending on design data format (100 - 500€ per design)	Ø 350 Euro per screen rotary Ø 85 Euro per screen flatbed
Flexibility	high	Limited since cost and time consuming

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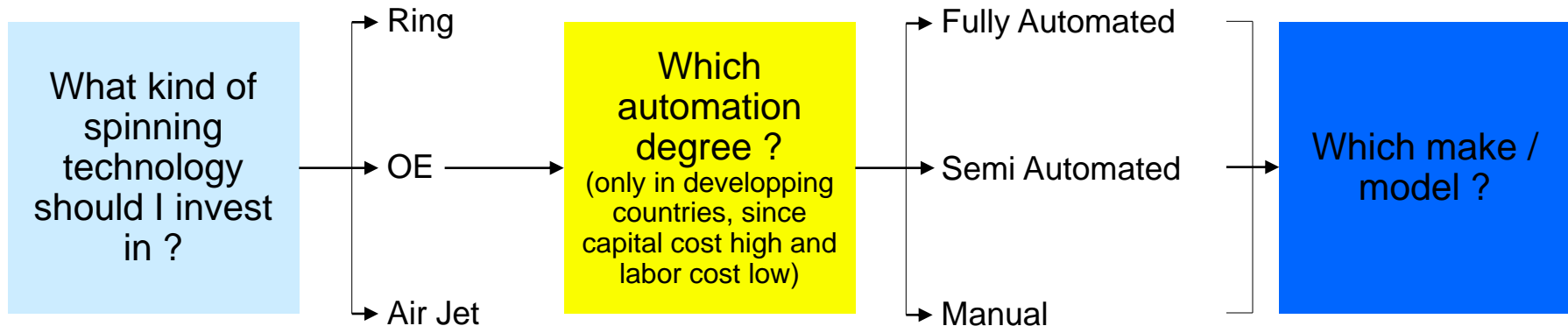
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## The decision process differs from high to low wage country:



### Decision Criteria

- 1 End Use (product)
- 2 Raw Material
- 3 Market Trends
- 4 Yarn Price

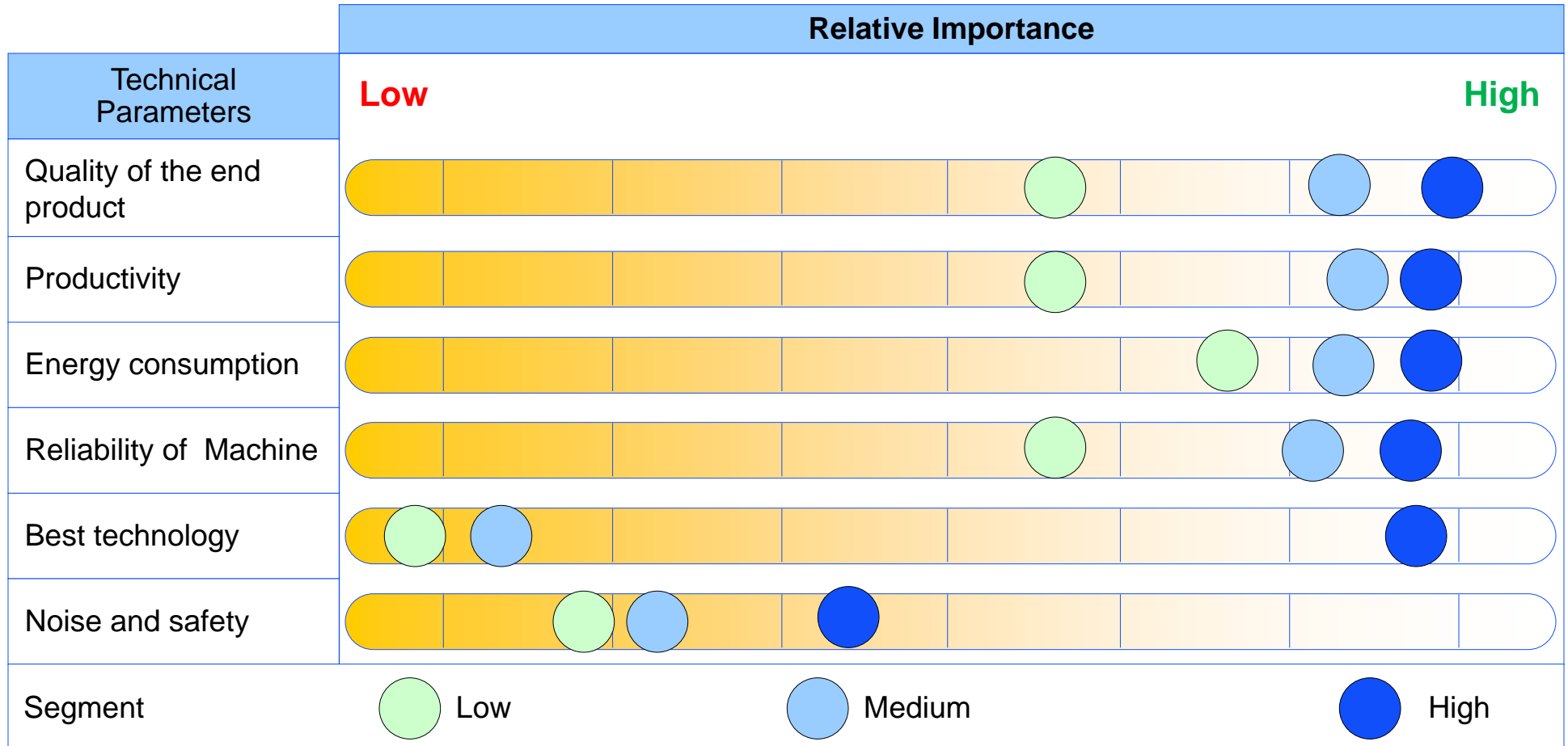
### Decision Criteria

- 1 Sufficient yarn quality
- 2 Available Capex / Payback
- 3 Yarn Price
- 4 Conversion Costs
- 5 Strategic Positioning

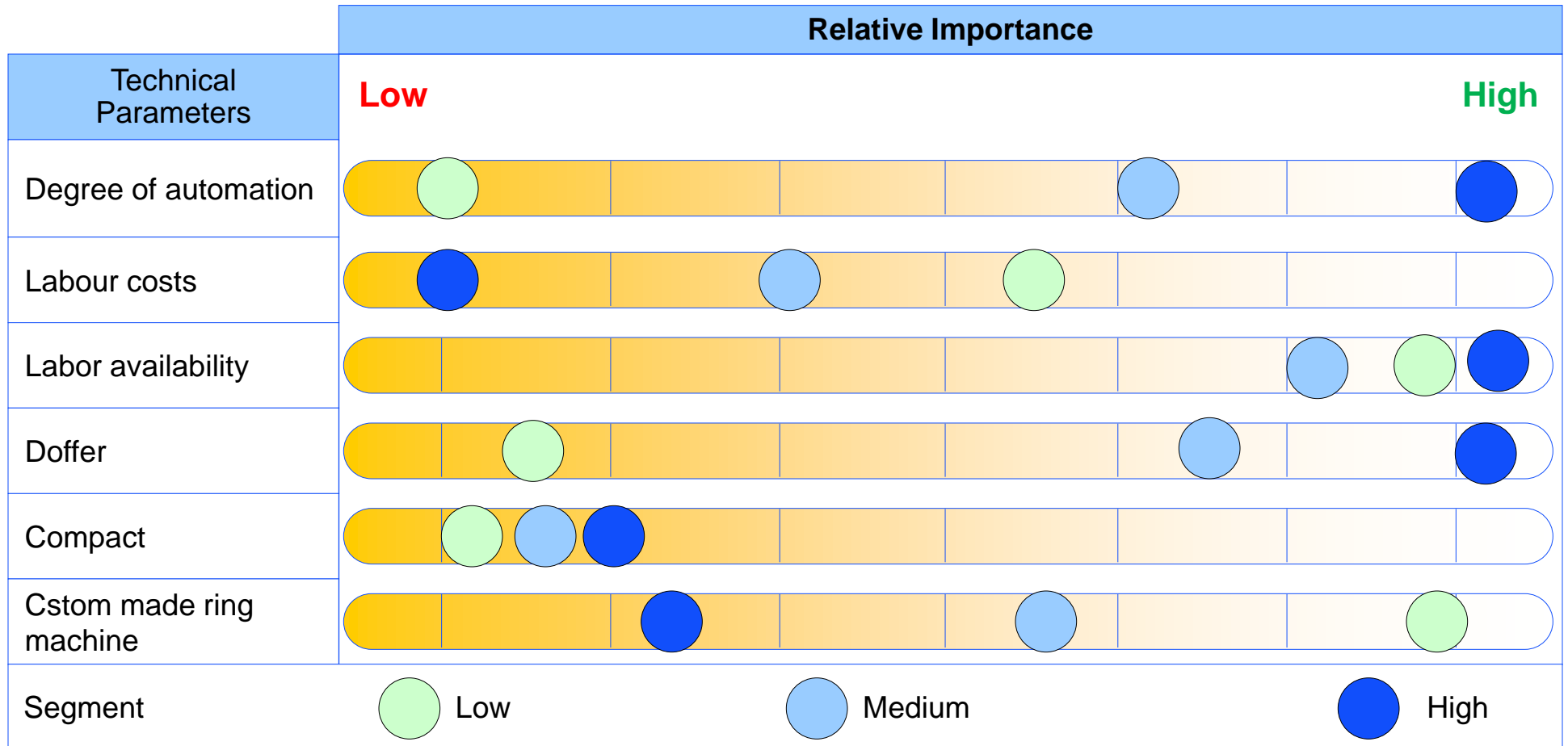
### Decision Criteria

- 1 Financial
- 2 Technical
- 3 Service
- 4 Others  
References, experience, etc

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## Conclusions & Way forward

- African textile industry lacks technological competitiveness due to obsolete machinery
- Production capacity in Africa has declined in last 10 years
- There have been selective new investments in spinning,weaving,knitting and processing in Ethiopia and Nigeria in the last 5 years
- Productivity in most African countries continues to be low due to :
  - Infrastructural deficiencies (power)
  - 20% fewer annual operating hours compared to Asia (7500/8700)
  - Lack of skilled manpower
  - Obsolete machinery
  - Poor maintenance practices
  - Lack of an enabling environment

## Conclusions & Way forward

Following measures are suggested to narrow the technological gap between Africa and RoW to improve competitiveness of the textile industry

- Government policy support in the form of
  - Investment incentives (concessional funding)
  - Fiscal policy (0% duty on import of machinery and spares)
- Infrastructural improvement (adequate power supply)
- Capacity building (skill development)
- Enabling environment (cost of doing business)



**Asante sana**

Mon gode

**Thank you**

Merci

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