

# Port Digitalization Through an Activities Scenario Model as a First Step for a Digital Twin of Port

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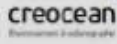
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# Port IoT for Environmental Leverage



**PIXEL:** Port IoT for Environmental Leverage

**TOPIC:** MG-7-3 – The Port of the future

**Duration:** May 2018 – September 2021

**15 partners** from 7 countries



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First **IoT integrated platform** focused on optimization of operations w/ reduction of **environmental impact**



**Secured dashboard** with **operational tools** for decision support (real time monitoring and predictive analysis)



**Port Environmental Index** (PEI) as a quantitative composite indicator of the overall environmental performance of a port



**Information hub** and optimization operations through **smart models** (energy, transportation, pollution and port-city integration)



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# What is PIXEL ?



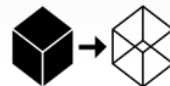
Quantitative real-time  
measure of the port  
environmental



Intelligent road  
traffic modelling  
and predictions for



Powerful AI  
algorithms improving  
human intelligence



Digital  
transformation of  
the port environment



new

Easy dashboard,  
alerts with

Comprehensive  
and flexible

Open source IoT  
data acquisition

Potential for



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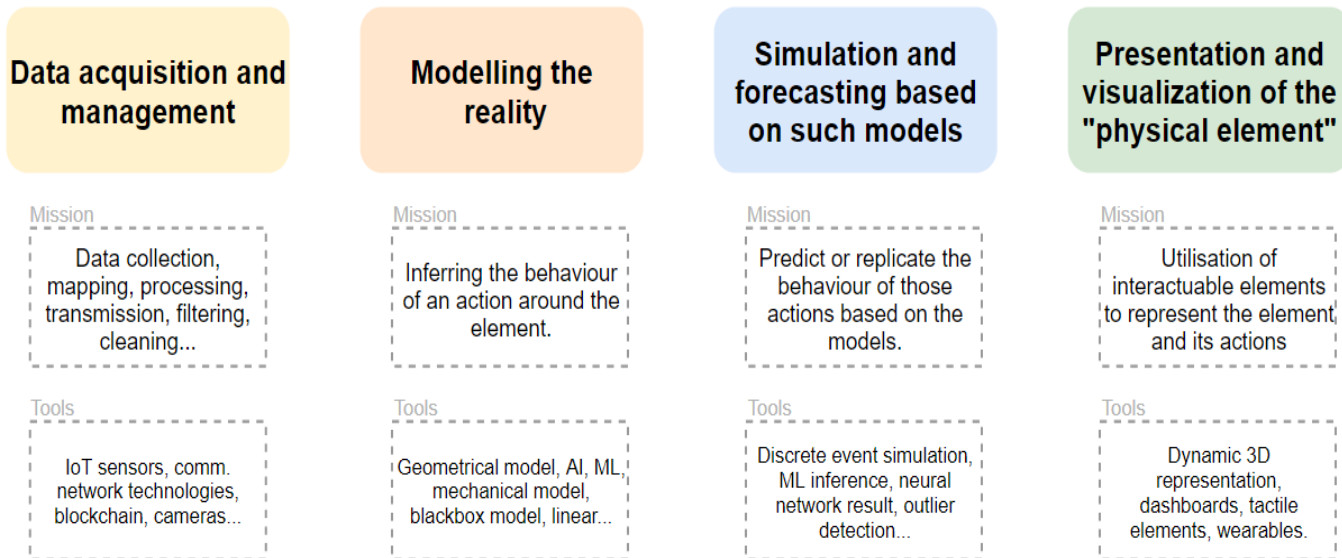
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# PIXEL Platform a first step for a Digital Twin of Port

A Digital Twin is a digital representation of an existing physical element that aimed at modelling and monitoring its behavior and status



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# PIXEL Platform a first step for a Digital Twin of Port

## Security Framework

### Information Hub

Storage, Long-term persistence

Indexing, catalogue

### Operational Tools

Models

Predictive algorithms

### Dashboard

Widgets

Global framework

### Data Acquisition Layer

Agents to retrieve "daemon data"

Agents to retrieve "batch data"

Pre-processing

Agents to retrieve periodic data

**Secure IoT solutions** for port ecosystem operations

**Modular system** allowing to integrate with existing systems

**Pluggable data collection agents** to easily add new data sources

Powerful **big data engine** addressing the specific challenges of ports

Customizable to **add new computational models**



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# The Port Activity Scenario (PAS) model

**Approach:** Convert raw data into actionable knowledge through chained elementary transformations. Tools to calculate, estimate or predict impacts on energy consumption, transport networks and environmental pollution of port activities



## Build the PAS

- For the considered set of hypothesis, list every port operations and project them across the time

## Calculate the outcome

- For every activity of the PAS, determine the resources use and externalities.



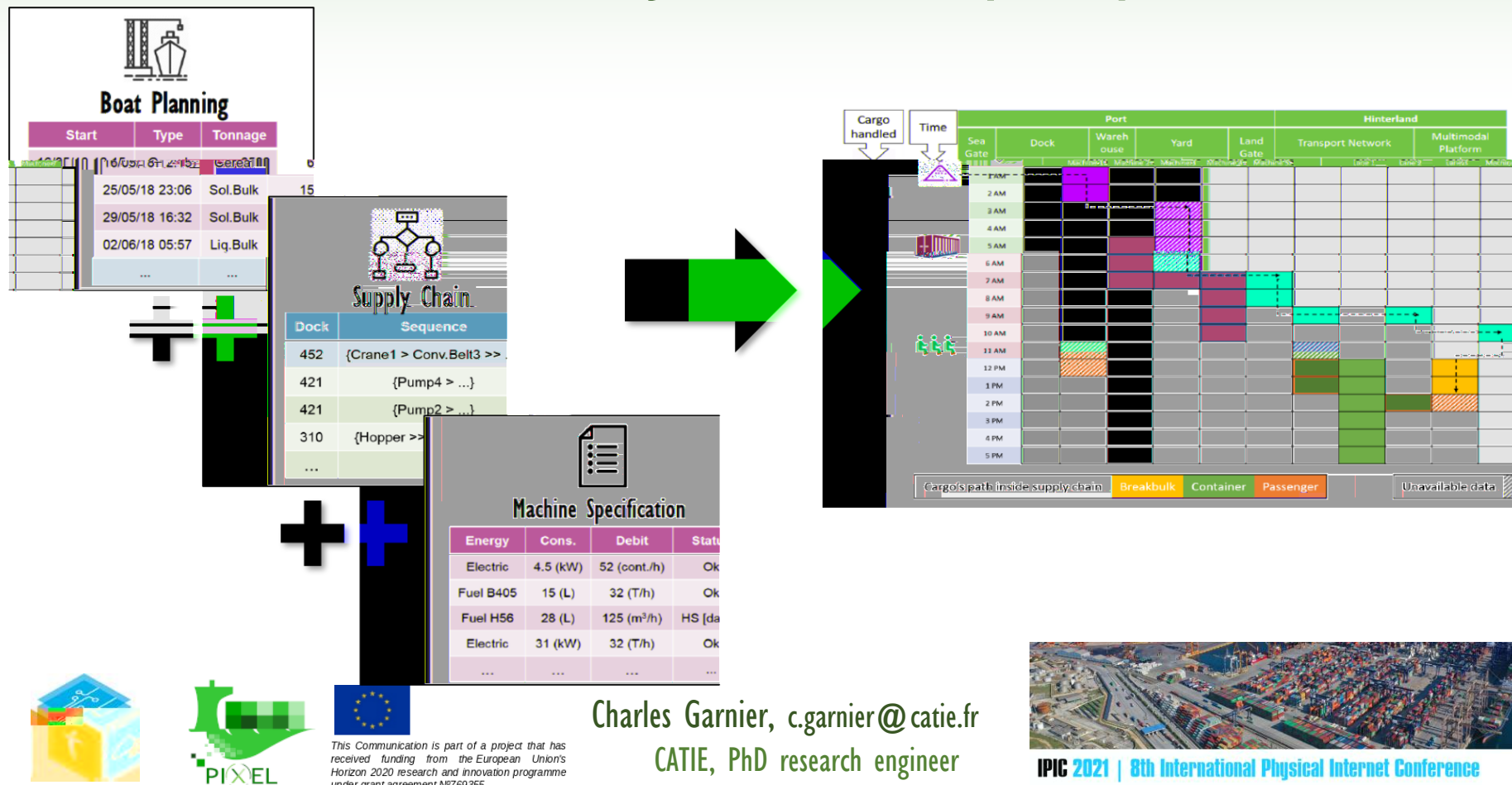
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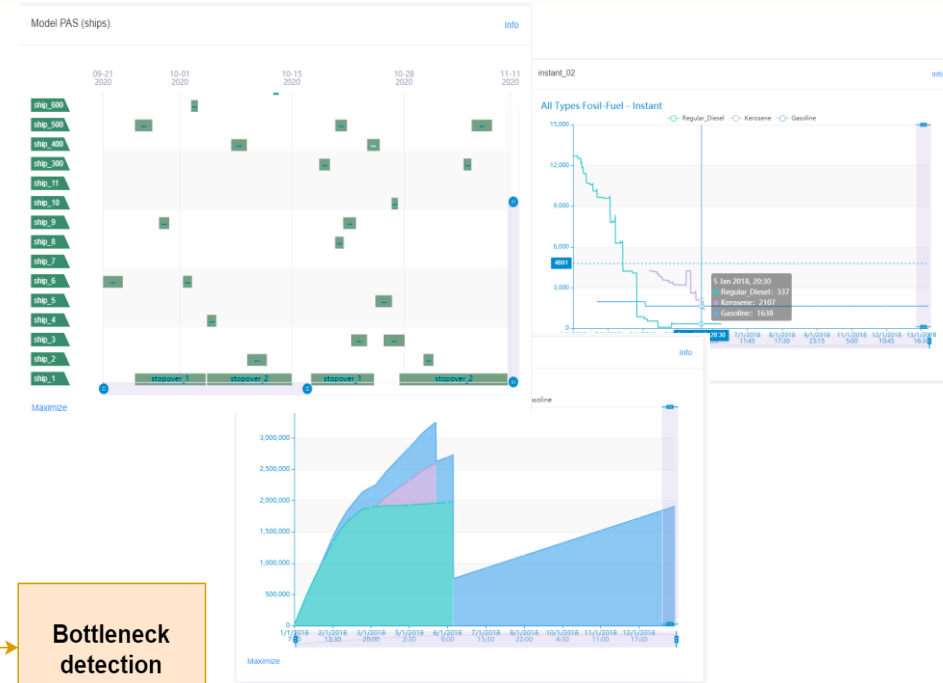
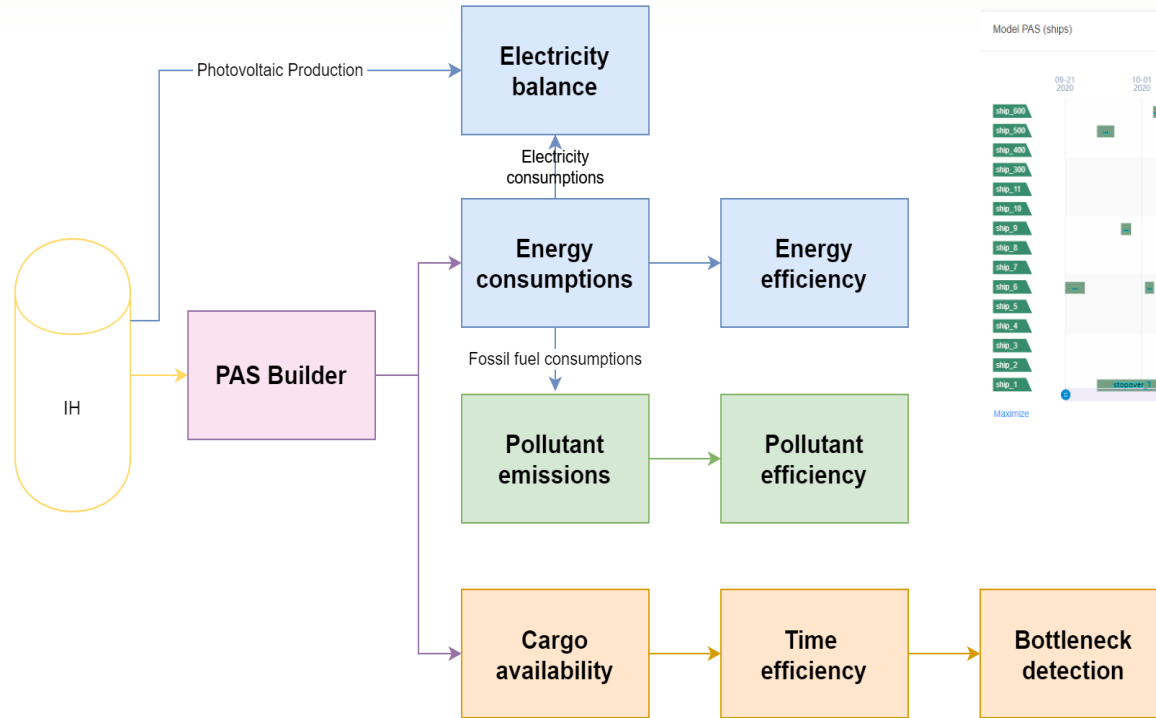


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# The Port Activity Scenario (PAS) model



# PAS as an element for logistics innovation



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# Contribution to the Physical Internet Roadmap

- IoT framework to achieve end-to-end communication and sharing of data/processes between diverse entities and actors of the logistics supply chain.
- PIXEL is prepared to bundle the components of the PI (pi-containers, pi-trucks, pi-trailers, pi-conveyors, etc.) as data pieces to be managed by the Context Brokers and Information Hubs (single-instance per each deployment in a node).
- Due to the multi-actor approach of the PIXEL platform, stakeholders could share information (easy-to-connect APIs) in real time, letting various profiles of port managers to analyze and visualize the information.



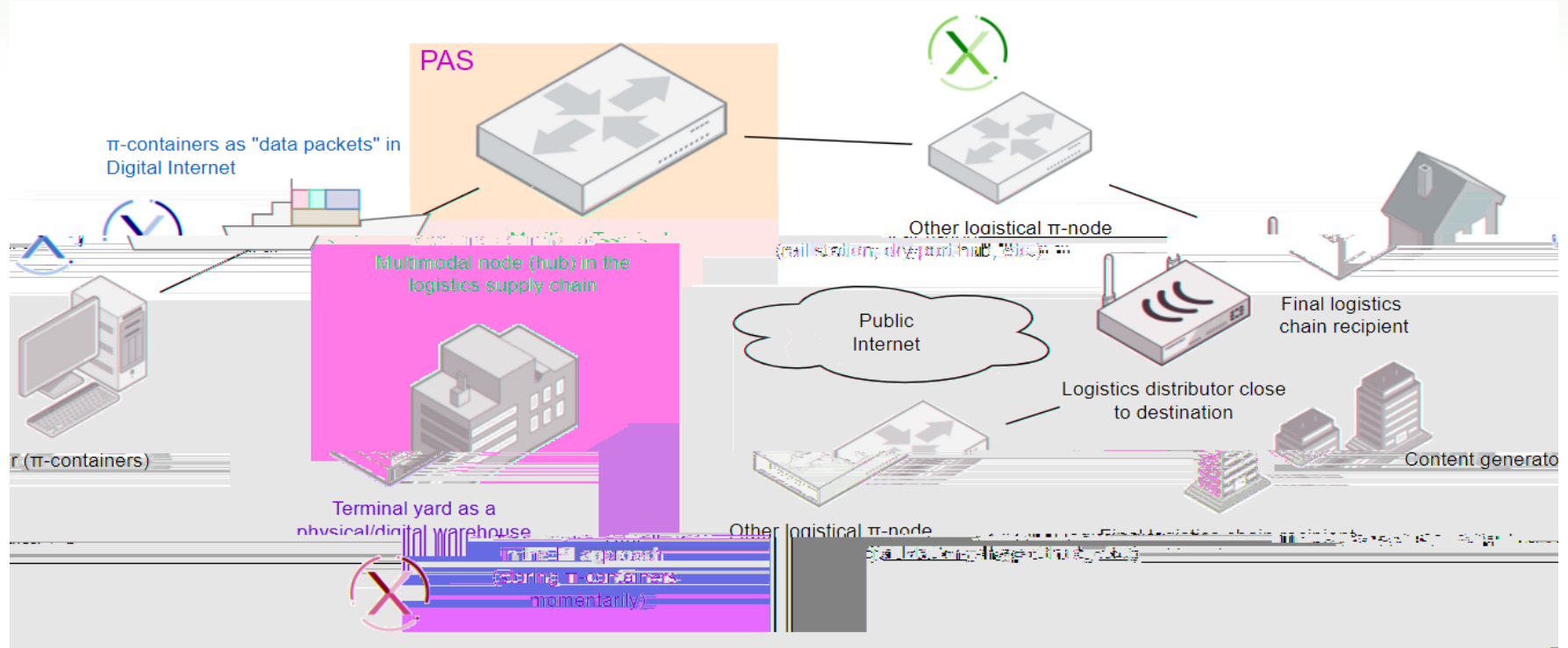
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# PAS as a node of the physical internet



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# Conclusion

- An open-source IoT platform that allows to gather and store data coming from heterogeneous sources.
- PAS model is able to simulate and predict the port activities and can be seen as a first step towards a Digital Twin of a port.
- PAS allows to:
  - Predict the behavior of the pi-node (terminal) with regards to packet (pi-container) throughput;
  - Forecast how time it will take to operate each unit;
  - Know how much energy will be used to do so and the internal operations required,

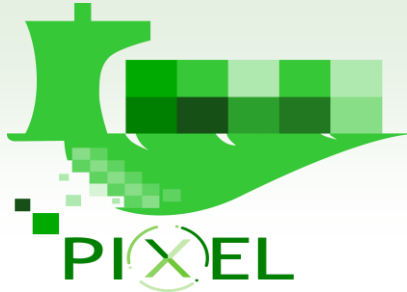


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