

Creating Business Value through Smart Assistants & Co-Pilots



Wie steigern Software, Daten und KI die Wettbewerbsfähigkeit globaler Unternehmen?

WORKSHOP

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My Passion:



My Profession: Study - Uni Bamberg Al MasterClasses Customer Study Digital Advisor Commerce Projects & Knowledge **Product Strategy** Prototyping & Success & Solution HS-Implementation Management & Marketing Innovation Management Architecture Harz 2024+ + 2022 2016 2013 2014 2000 2004 2012

My Projects:





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TRADINGPOST













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AI STRATEGY & FOUNDATION

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TARGET
STAKEHOLDER
&
BUSINESS
GOALS

2.

AI USE-CASES
IDENTIFICATION
&
PRIORITIZATION

3.

Al

ARCHITECTURE



General Al Approaches

Your Target Persona & Goals Your Top 3 Use-Cases Best Practise Architecture

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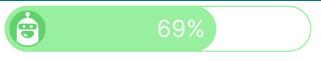
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General Chatbot Statistics





Better Customer Service Capabilities without growing the Team



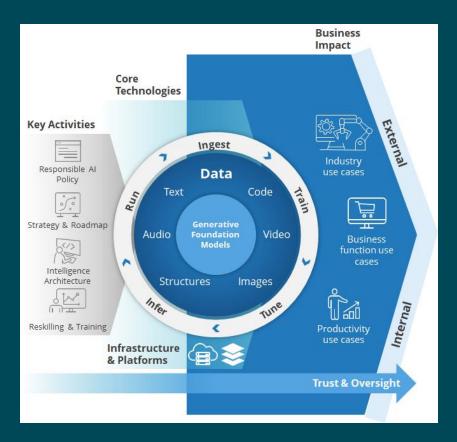
of users would use chatbots to get instant response to their query, including self-service issues



of customers don't care if a human agent or a chatbot deals with their query as long as the issue is solved

https://www.dashly.io/blog/chatbot-statistics/

Developing a Generative AI Strategy – the Path to Impact





Al Strategy

EXTERNAL

Creating AI products and enhancing existing offerings with AI capabilities



INTERNAL

Empowering our teams with Al capabilities for enhanced efficiency and optimization

Al Strategy – Internal - not in scope today

Al-supported Marketing:

Al content generation, Al chat for corporate website, Al market analysis

Al-supported Sales:

Al prospect analysis and sales preparation (virtual showrooms)

Al-supported Customer Service:

Case summarization, Resolution note creation, Recommendations for agents, Virtual agent, Process mining, Knowledge harvesting

Internal AI Foundation: AI Policy, AI Trainings

Customer Support
&
Customer Success
Management

Internal
Al Foundation

HR/Finance/Training

Professional
Services

Product
Development
& Operations

Al-supported Development: Code Copilot, Al-generated test cases, Al-

supported documentation

Al-supported Operations:

Log anomaly detection, Auto remediation

Al-supported HR:

Employee engagement and retention, Personalized onboarding

Al-supported Finance:
Repetitive task automation

Al-supported Consultancy:
Al knowledge discovery,
Al supported estimation and
planning

Al-supported Development:

Code Copilot

Define your Al Core / Operational Model



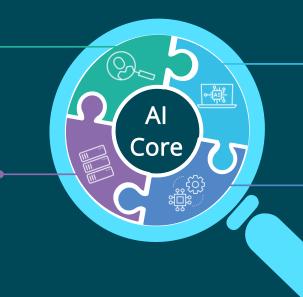
SPARQUE.AI

Product Discovery, Recommendation, Personalization Engine, based on **Knowledge Graph**

Business Data Hub

Data Warehouse with Intershop Data:

Master Data Transaction Data Behavioral Data



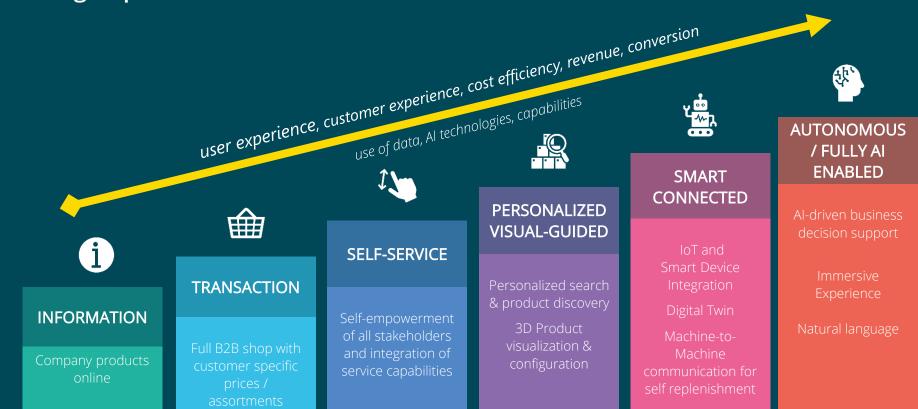
Intershop Copilot

Al assistant for business users and customers. Intelligent insights and execution of actions through a natural language interface

Integration Hub

Low code integration platform that easily connects your business applications and data sources to Intershop Commerce Platform

Digital Commerce Maturity Levels Using Copilots to reach the next level



Interactive Question

What is the Digital Maturity level of your company?



Interactive Question



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Empower your Stakeholders

Buy-Side

Supplier



Partner

OEM

Component

Manufacturer

Business & Platform Operator



E-Commerce Manager

Business Owner

Customer Service & Sales

Product / Category Manager

Warehouse / Store Manager

Data Scientist / Engineer

Customer



B2B Customer

B2C Consumer

Reseller

Dealer

Retail Stores

Distributor / Wholesaler

Sell-Side

Marketing Managers

Frontends

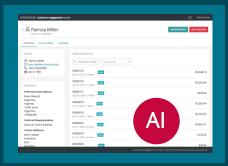
Al Assistants in front-end and admin interfaces



Intershop CoPilot



Smart Customer Portal



Customer & Field Service



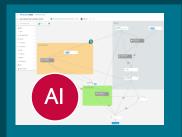
Commerce Management



Order Management



Content Management



Search, Personalization & Recommendation



Focus today on the Sell-Side

Supplier



Partner

OEM

Component

Manufacturer



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Business & Platform Operator



E-Commerce Manager

Business Owner

Customer Service & Sales

Product / Category Manager

Marketing Managers

Warehouse / Store Manager

Data Scientist / Engineer

Customer



B2B Customer

B2C Consumer

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Interactive Question

What is your target customer persona?



Your Business Goals

INCREASE REVENUE

WINNING NEW CUSTOMERS INCREASE CUSTOMER SATISFACTION

IMPROVE PRODUCT DISCOVERY INCREASE CONVERSATION RATE EFFICIENT & CONVENIENT BUYING PROCESS

Interactive Question

What are your business goals when introducing an Al assistant?



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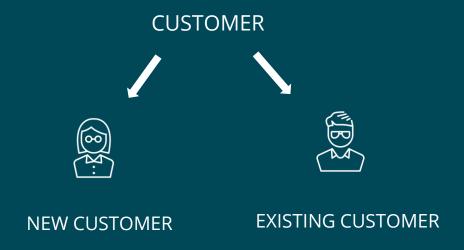
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1. Customer Type



2. Customer Journey Phase



Identify your use-cases along the customer journey

1. Customer Type





NEW CUSTOMER



EXISTING CUSTOMER

2. Customer Journey Phase (B2B Customer New vs. Existing)

ORIENTATION

SELECTION

TRANSACTION

DELIVERY

CUSTOMER CARE

IN-BETWEEN

3. Al-empowered Capabilities & Services (Own vs Partner products)

Problem / Task Adviser

Product Guide

Product Comparison

Search & Navigatior

Hyper-Personalized Recomm. Predictive (Re)Ordering

Subscription / Rental Optimizer

Complementary
Products &
Services

Sustainabilityoriented shipping optimization

Accurate delivery information

Installed Base Recommendations

Installed Base Replenishment

Personalized Training and Servic Finder Sustainability & News

Product / service usage optimization

Fitting new products
/ services

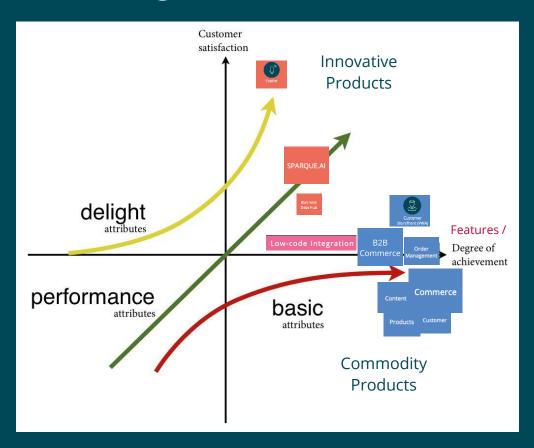
Customer-Facing AI Purchase and Service Assistant

Interactive Question

What are your top 3 use-cases of the new Al assistant?



Kano Diagram



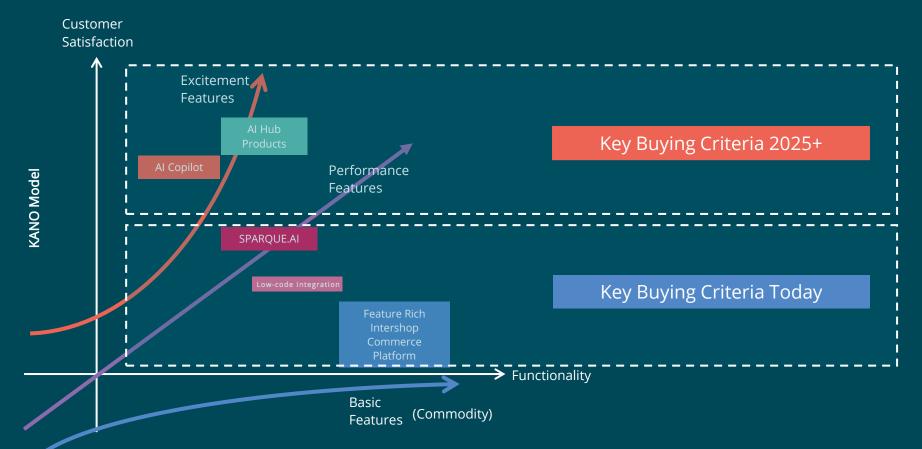
Innovative Products:

- Differentiation: Stands out in the market, making it easier to attract and retain customers.
- Higher Perceived Value
- Reduced Price Sensitivity
- Brand Loyalty
- Attracting New Customers
- Increased Market Share
- Enhanced Brand Image

Commodity Products:

- Difficulty in Differentiation
- Price Competition
- Low Perceived Value

Al Capabilities Become Key Buying Decision Criteria



RICE Method for Priorization

For every Idea / Problem / Feature / Service



RICE Method for Priorization



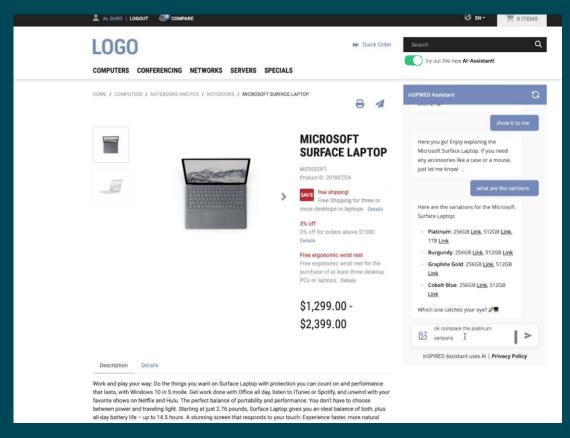
Idea	Reach	Impact	Confidence	Effort	Score	Priority
Conversational Product Discovery	10.000	2	80%	2	8.000	1.
Services & Training	5.000	3	60%	3	3.000	3.
After Sales Replenishment	5.000	4	100%	4	5.000	2.



Conversational Product Discovery

Conversational commerce allows you to ask questions in natural language and refine the answers by asking follow-up questions. Thus, the conversation becomes a dialog between you and a large language model (LLM).

"I need office equipment for my new employee, Susi, who will mainly work with Word and Excel from home and the office. Any recommendations?"



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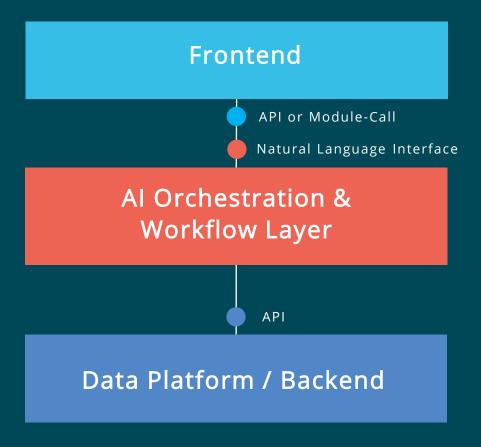
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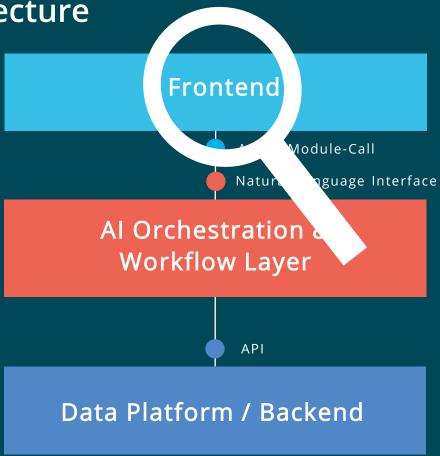
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Target Persona & Goals Example
Architecture to implement

Copilot Architecture



Copilot Architecture



Types of Al Assistants

Al Assistant for Customers



Commerce Frontend Al Assistant for Business Users



Commerce Backend Personal Al Assistant to Humans



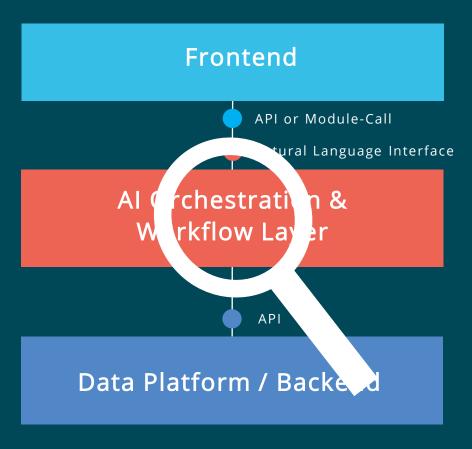
Personal Device

Machine to Machine Industry AI to Commerce AI



Machine / Computer / Application

Copilot Architecture



Al Orchestration Layer



Seamless Integration

Easily integrates with existing systems to enhance collaboration across functions, including procurement and customer service.

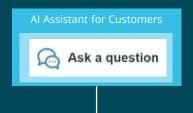
Scalable Architecture

Designed to grow with your business, adapting to increasing demands and new challenges.

Extensibility

Offers flexibility to evolve with your business needs over time and customize to the rapidly changing customer and market requirements

Copilot Architecture











Natural Language Interface



FlowiseAI

Build LLM Apps
Orchestration
Flows & Al agents



LangSmith

LLM Development Platform
Tracing & Monitoring

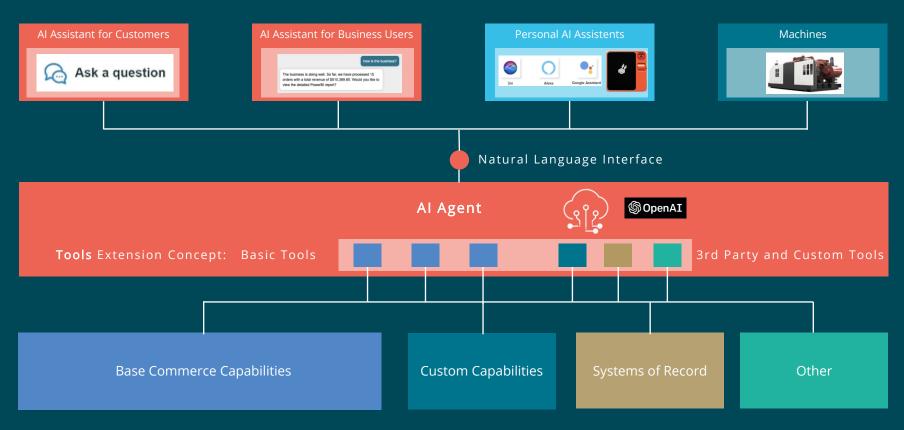




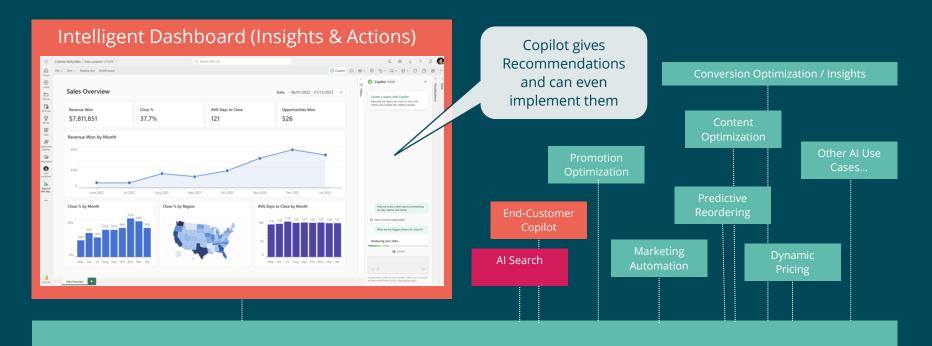
Data Platform / Commerce Platform



Al Agent Architecture



Intelligent Dashboard (incl. Data Platform and Copilot)



Data Platform / Decision Intelligence Platform for Composite AI

Key Takeaways



DEFINE YOUR AI STRATEGY / AI-CORE / TEAM



IDENTIFY YOUR
TARGET PERSONAS
AND BUSINESS GOALS



USE PRIORITIZATION METHODS AS RICE TO EVALUTE USE-CASES



DEFINE YOUR AI ARCHITECTURE – AGENTS, TOOLS, MIDDLEWARE



UTILIZE PARTNERS AND BALANCE BETWEEN BUY VS. MAKE



ROLLOUT AI
PRODUCTS FAST, GET
FEEDBACK, LEARN
AND IMPROVE