Voice Technology: Finally 'Hear' for Food & Other Manufacturers

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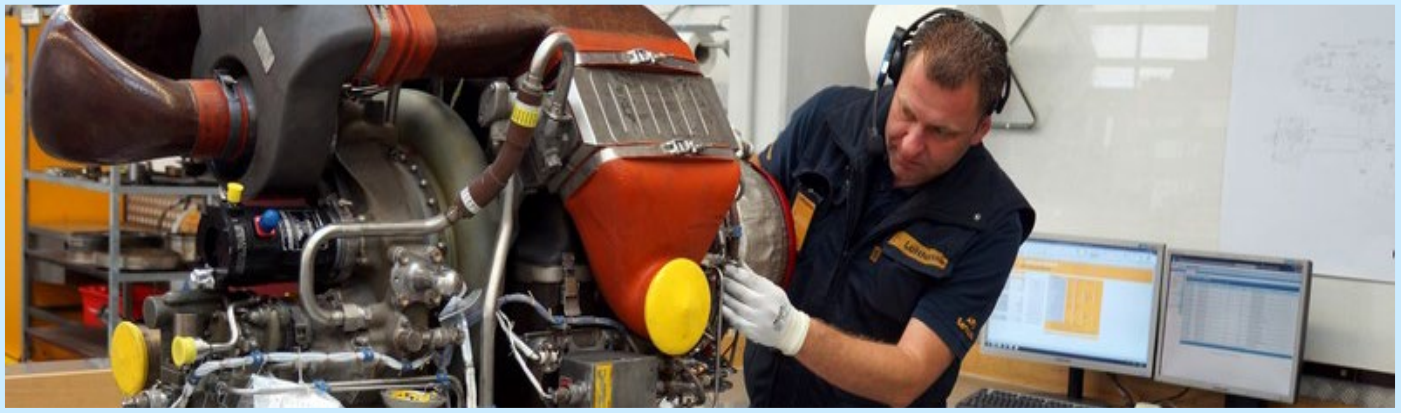
The Current State of Voice-Directed Work

Distribution Centers:

- Picking
- Put-Away & Replenishment
- Cycle Counting
- Bulk Picking/Put-to-Store

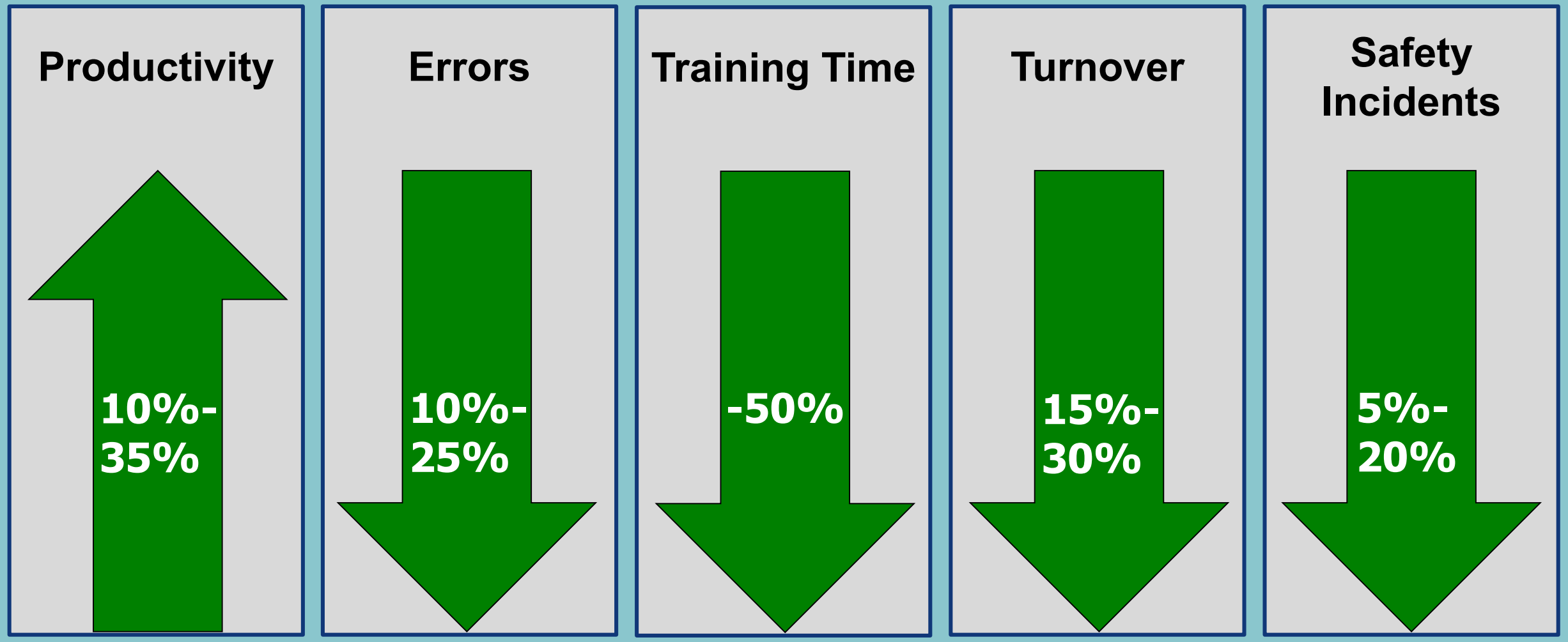
And:

- Assembly Line
- MRO Inspections
- & More…

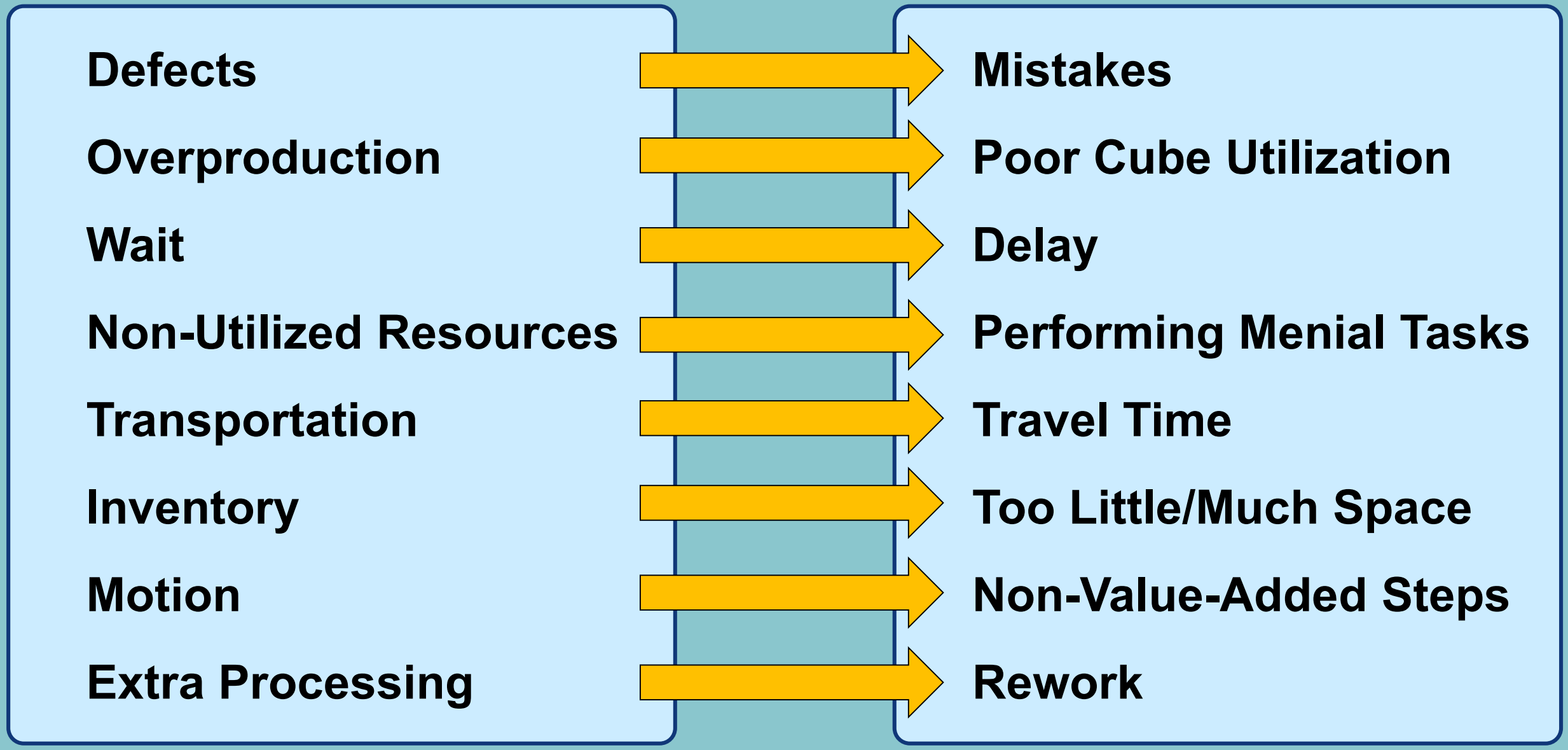


Why Voice-Directed Work?

The Benefits Have Been Huge…



8 Forms of Waste In The DC



Drilling Down into the Food Industry:

Challenges

- The Plastic Ban
- Meat-free & Veganism
- Regulatory Compliance
- E-commerce (Omni-channel)
- Product Traceability
- **Inventory Management**

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Inventory Management Challenges

- Customer Demand
- Lack of Visibility
- **Inefficient Processes**

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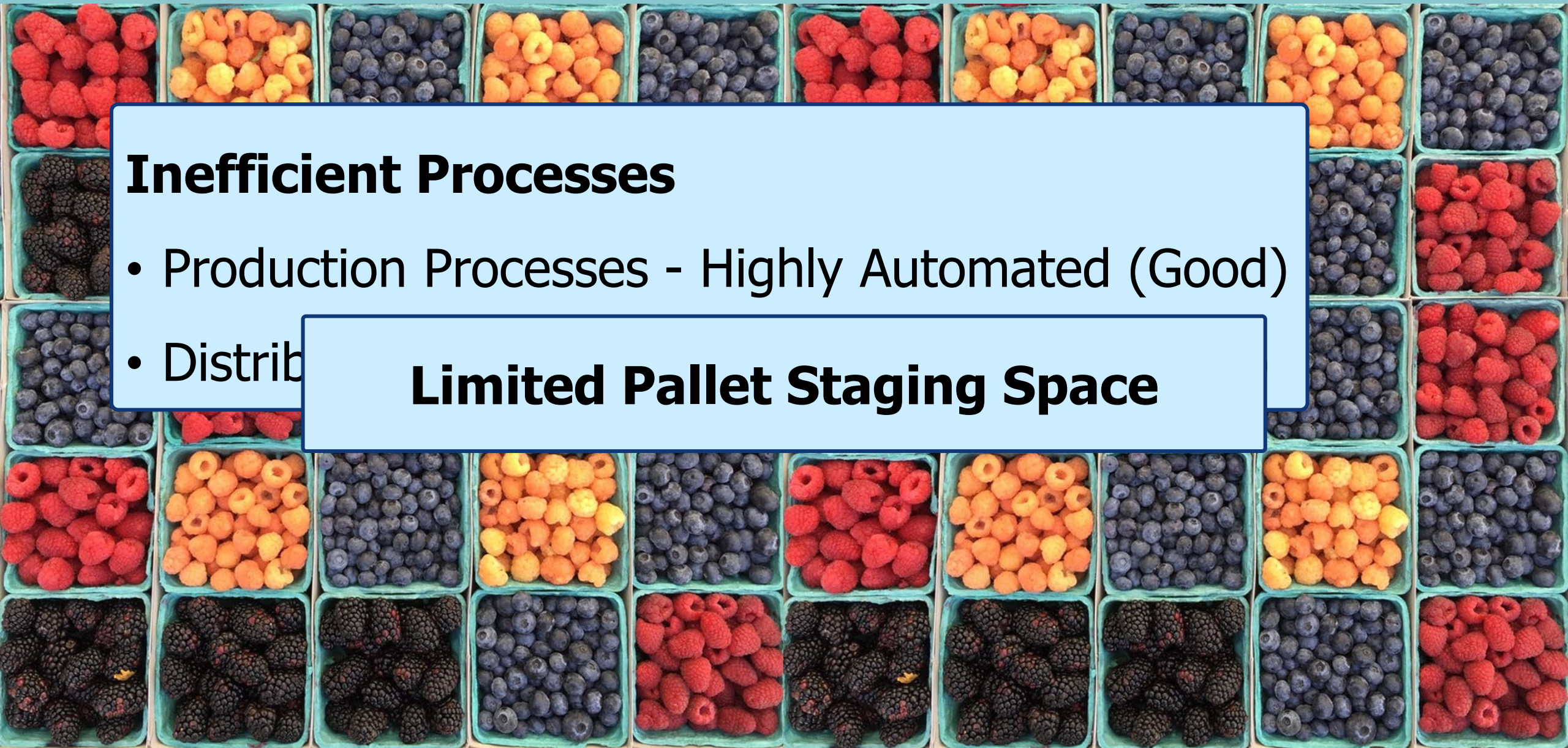

Inefficient Processes

- Production Processes - Highly Automated (Good)
- Distrib

Limited Pallet Staging Space

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Results in:

- Additional Non-value-added Pallet Moves
- Causes Nearly ALL Forms of Six-Sigma Waste

Remedies include:

- Going Vertical
- Going Horizontal
- Relocating
- **Software**

Software

Pallet Staging & Truck Loading Software Comparison

	Traditional	Voice
Operator-directed Moves	Yes	Yes
System-directed Moves	Yes	Yes
Supports Stacking LPs	Yes	Yes
Supports Consolidating LPs	Yes	Yes
Automatically Directs the Loading of LPs	No	Yes
Automatically Minimizes Travel Distance & Time	No	Yes
Automatically Prevents LPs from being Blocked	No	Yes
Preemptively Directs Moves to Prevent Blocked License Plates	No	Yes
Automatically Substitutes Like LPs	No	Yes
Directs Picking Up and Placement of Pallets on Short or Long Sides	No	Yes
Supports Virtual Staging Positions	No	Yes
Automatically Adds On and Takes Away	No	Future

How Voice Solves For Limited Space

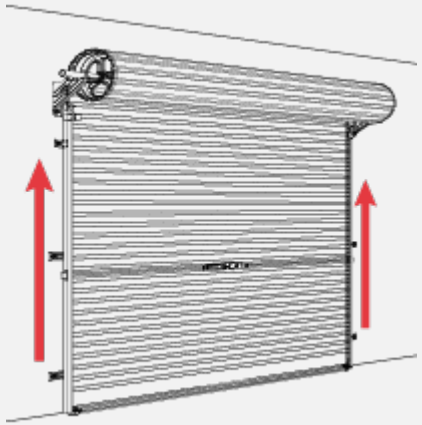
THE CHALLENGE

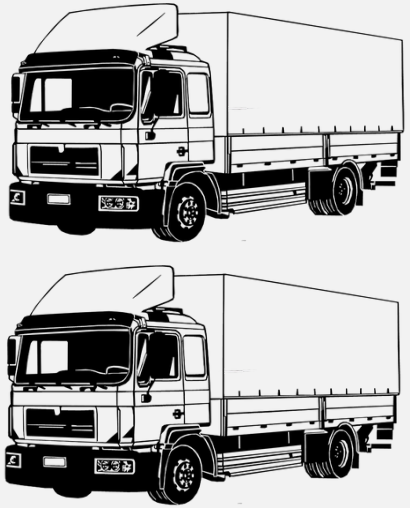
ONE Bay

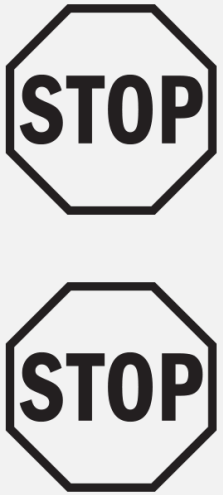
TWO Trucks making TWO STOPS

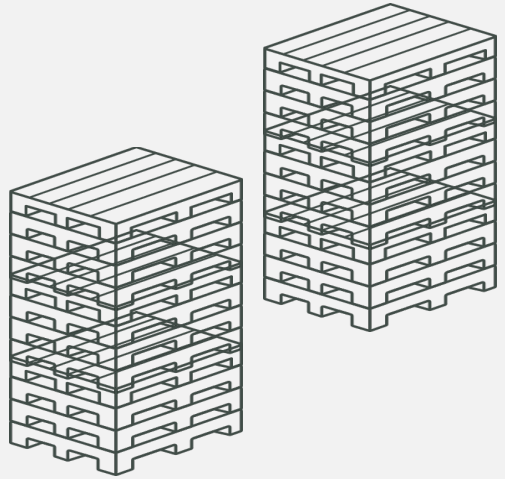
TWENTY-FOUR Pallets but Only THIRTEEN Staging Positions

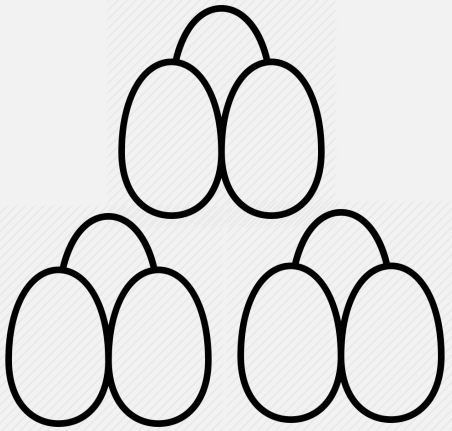
THREE Products











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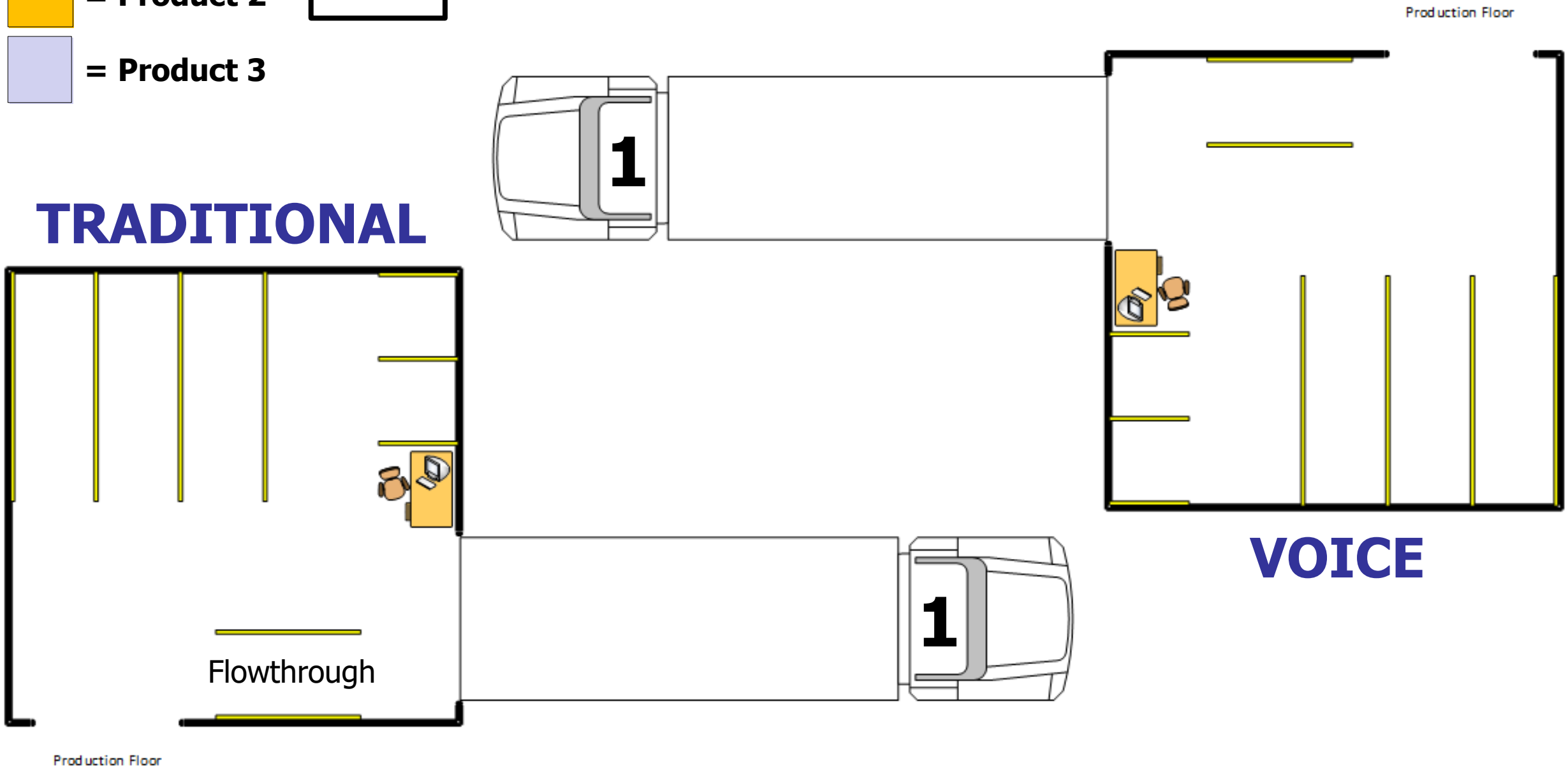

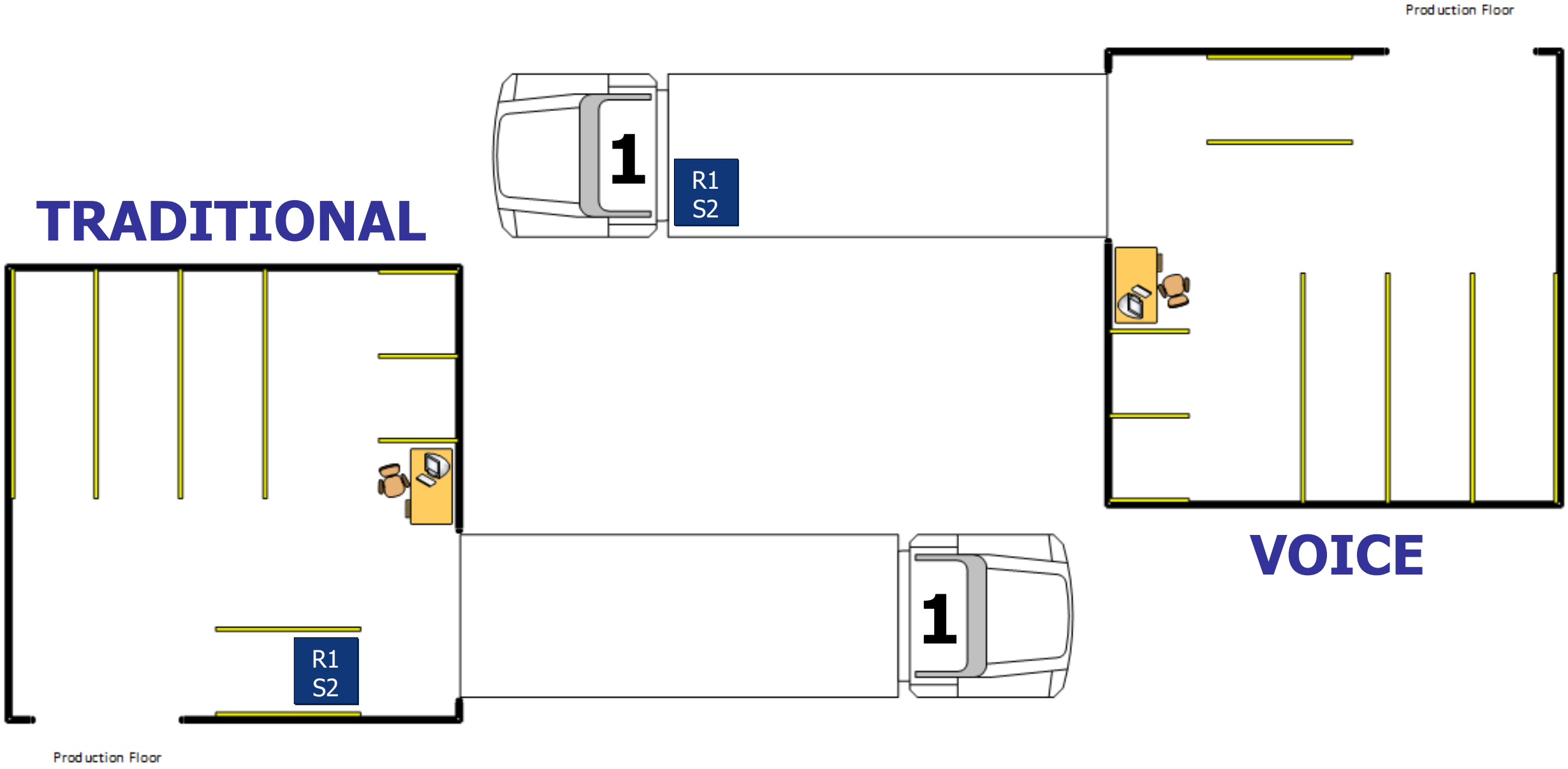
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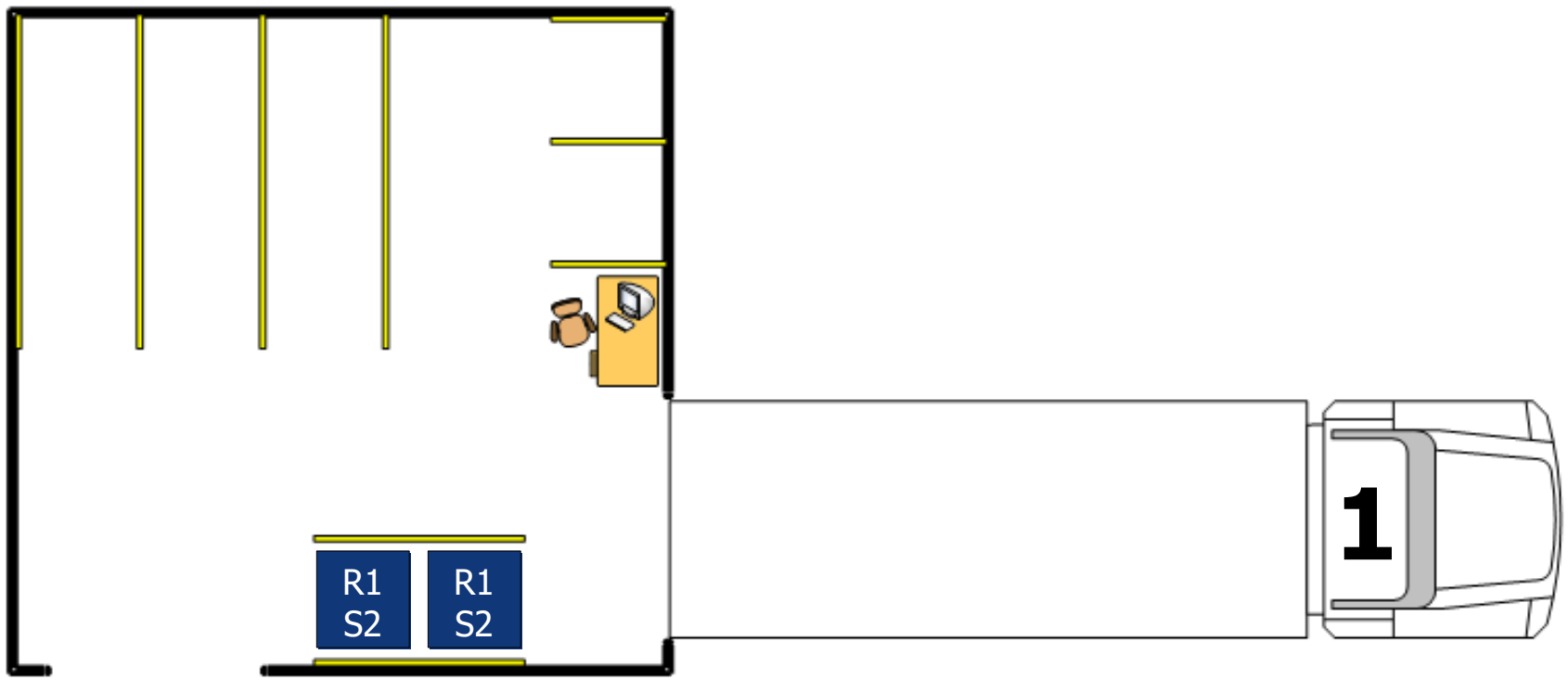
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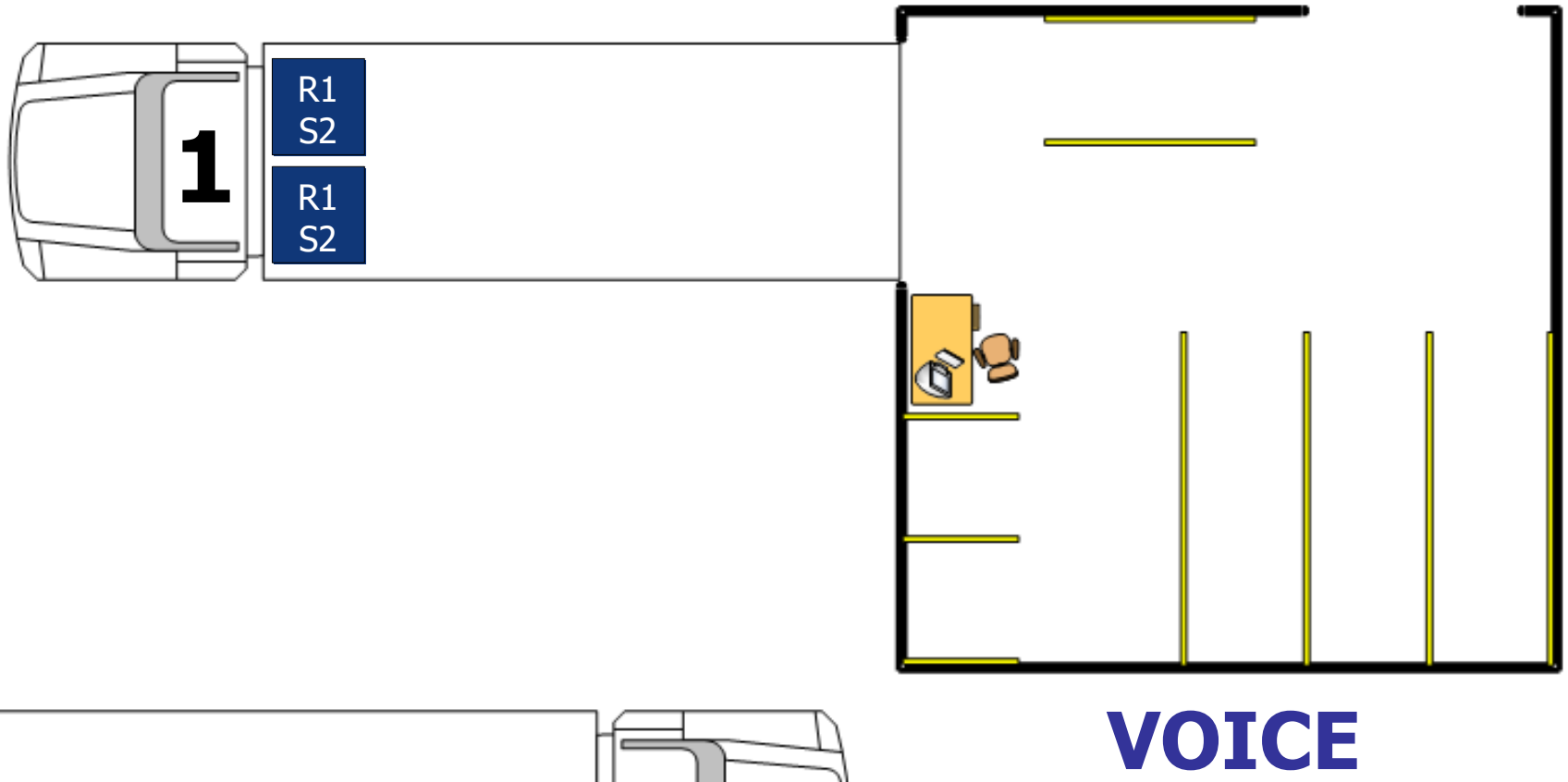
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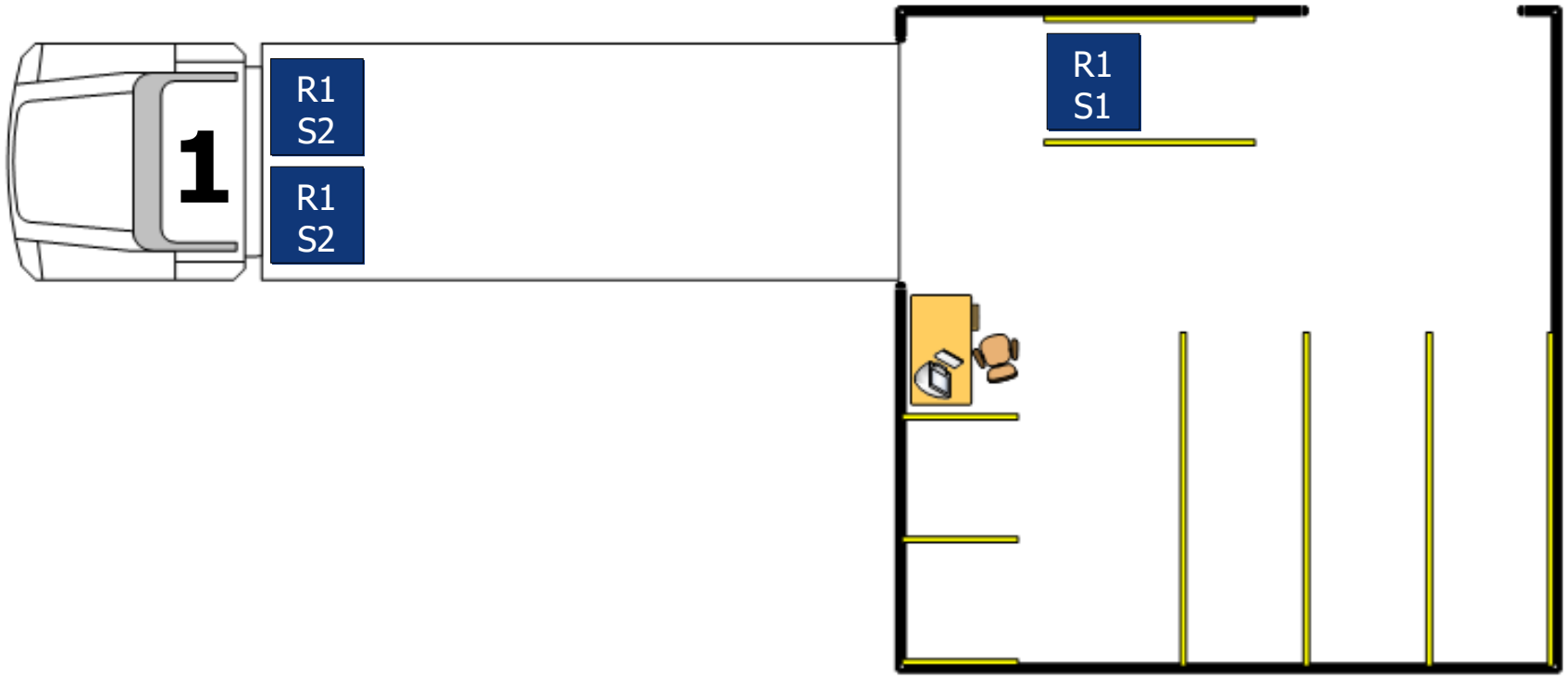

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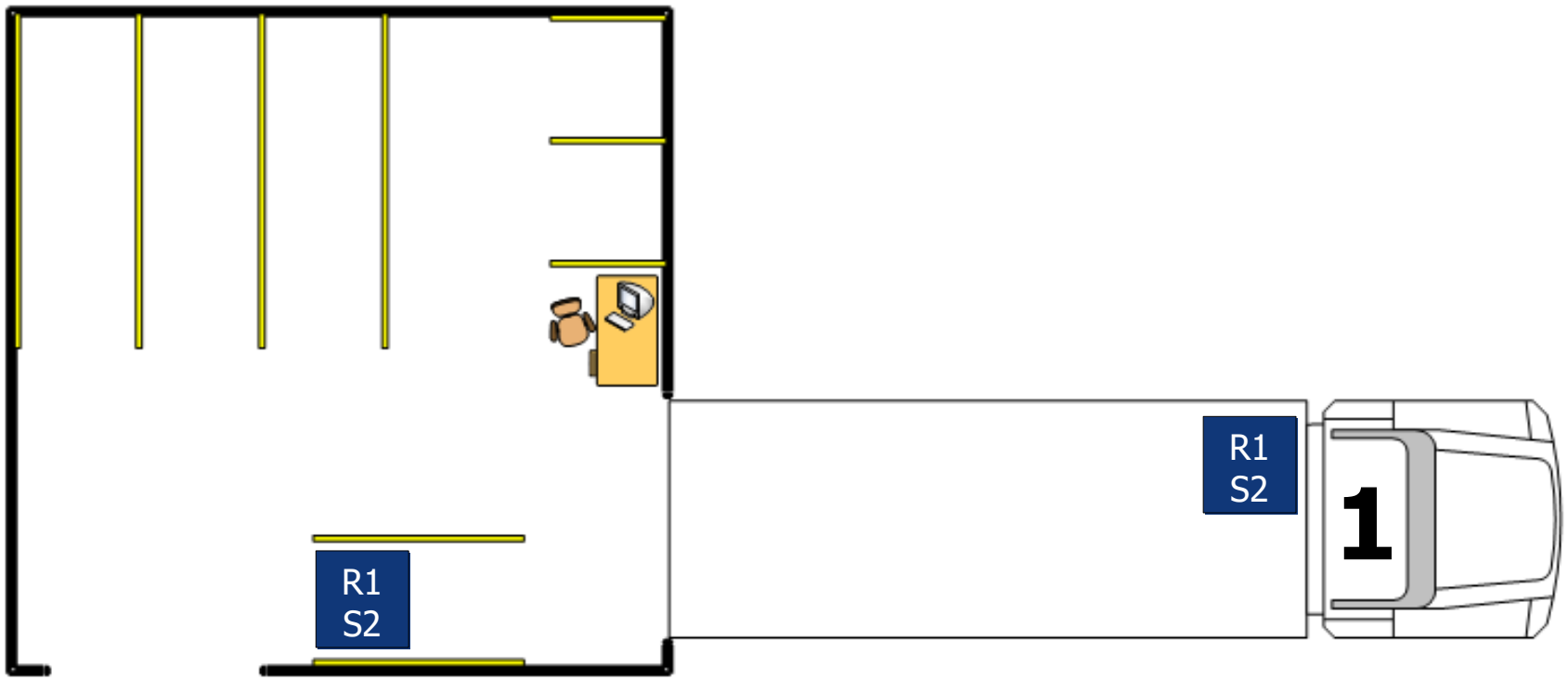

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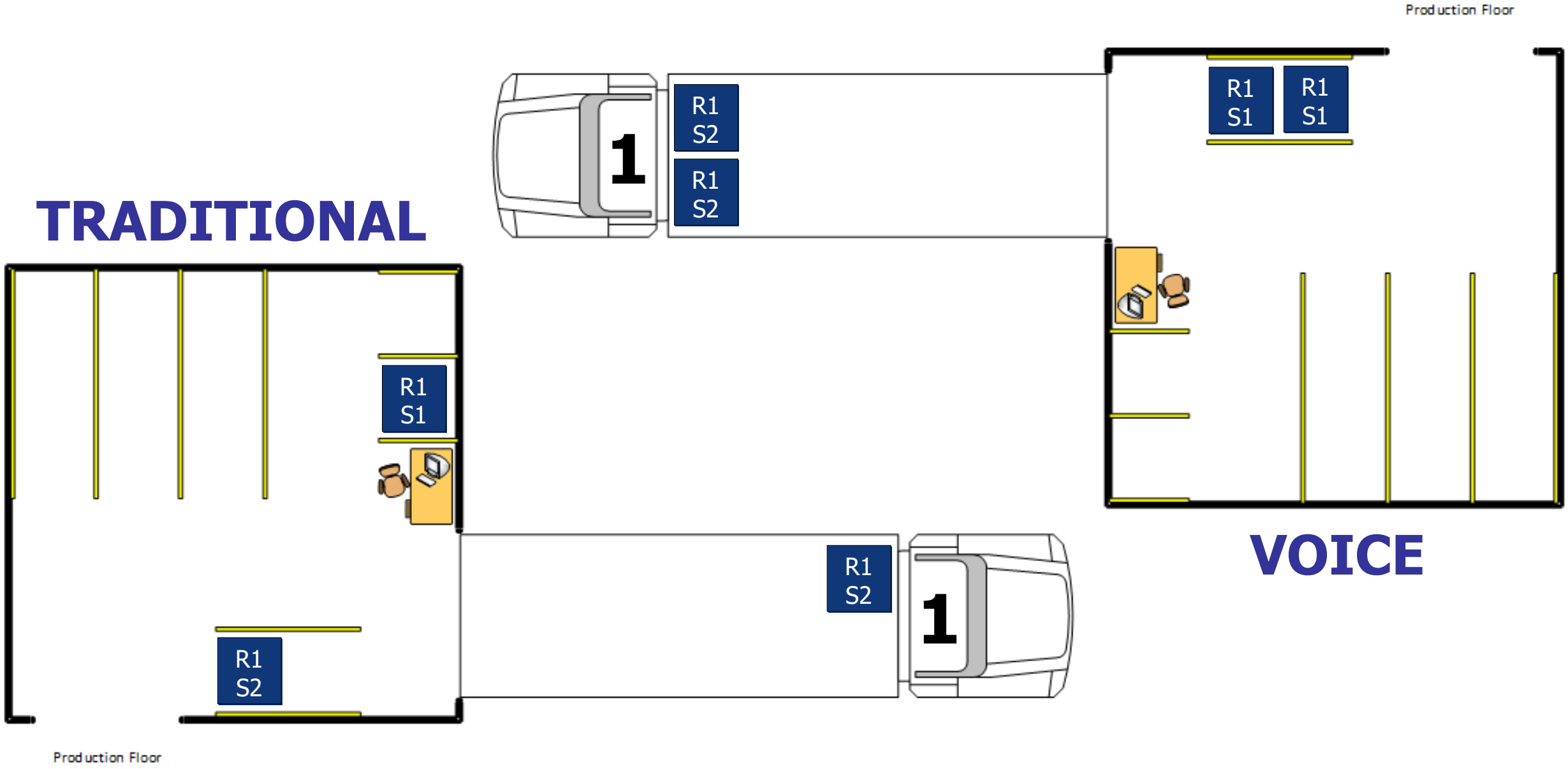
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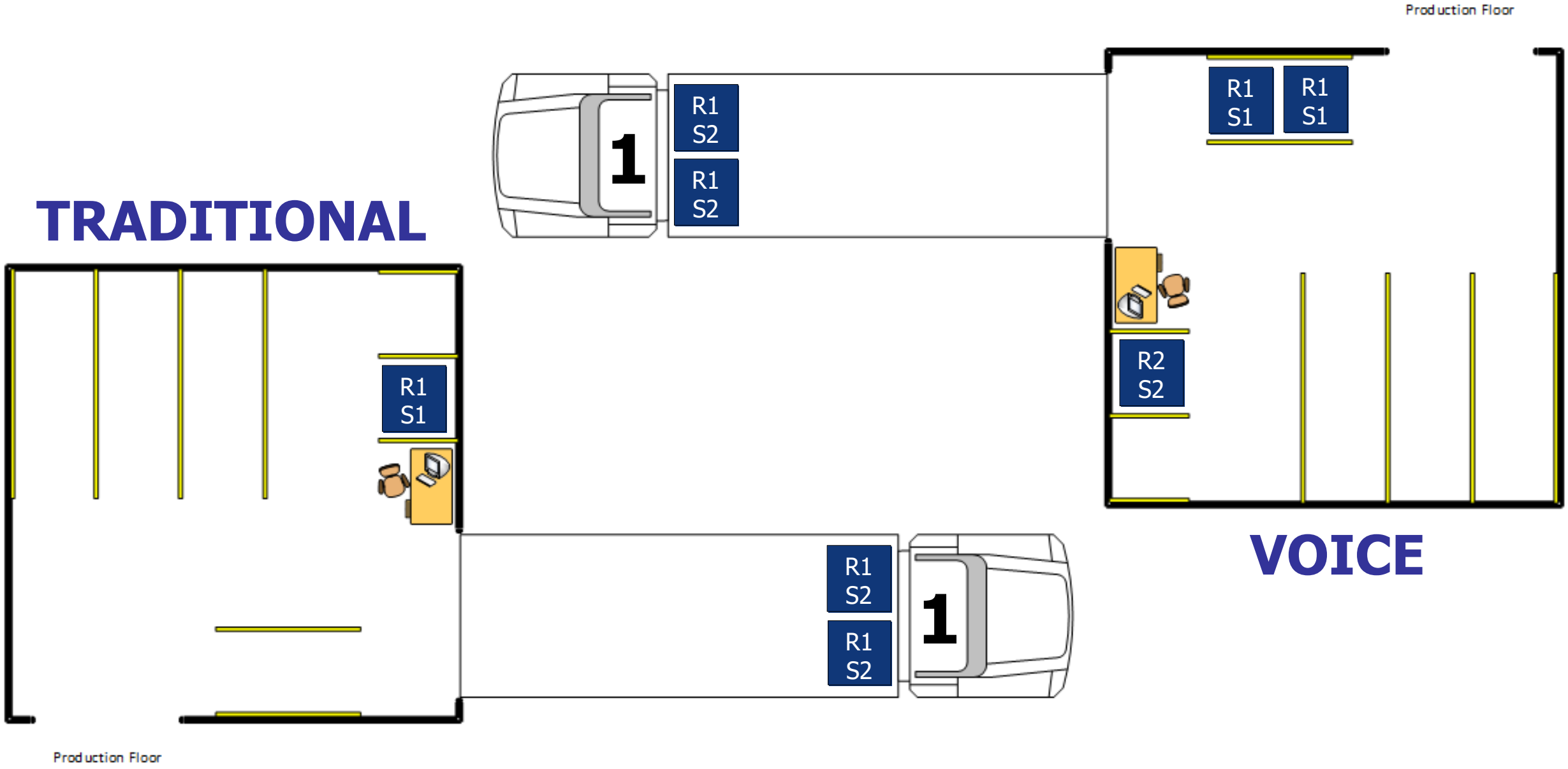
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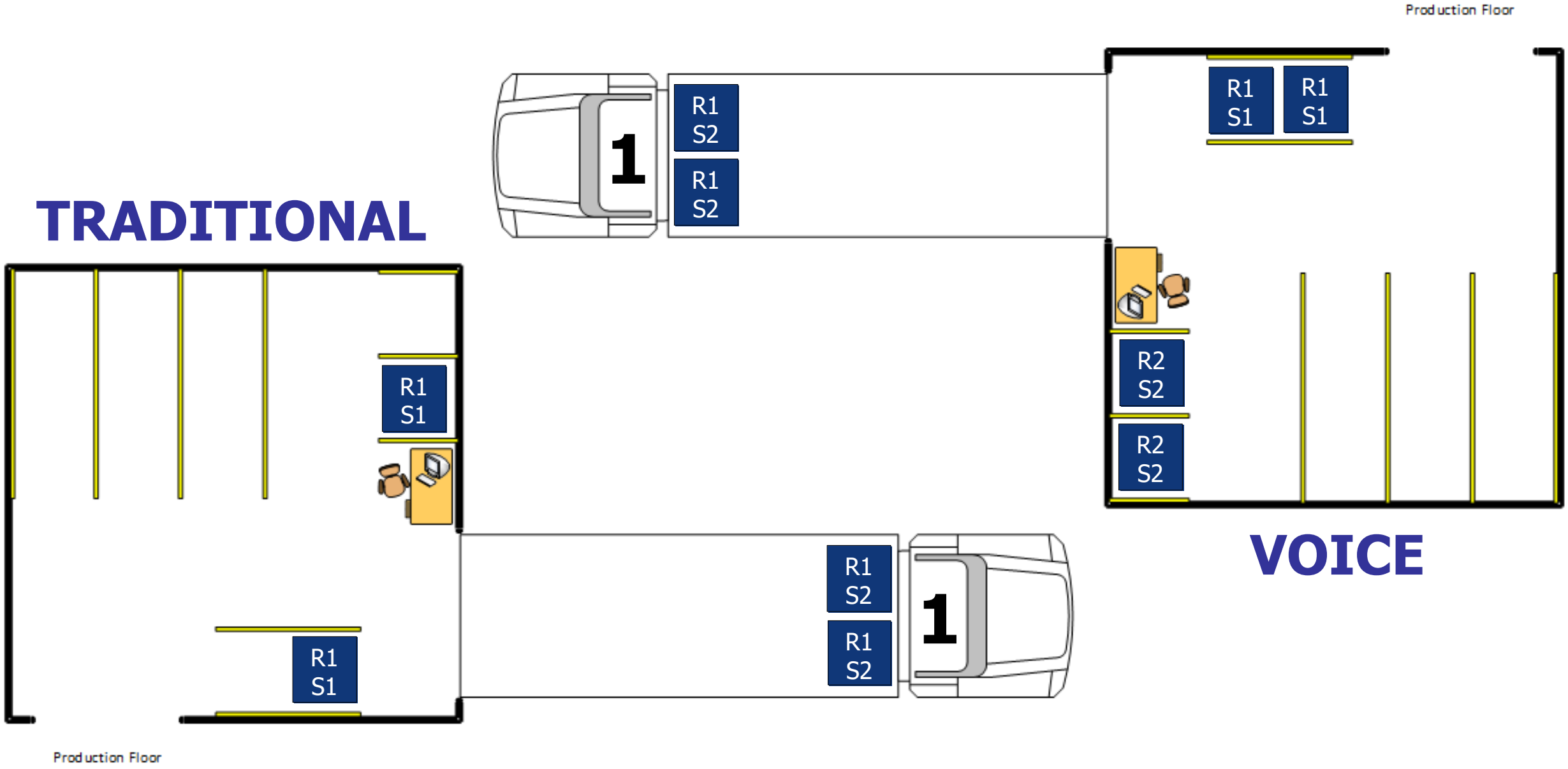
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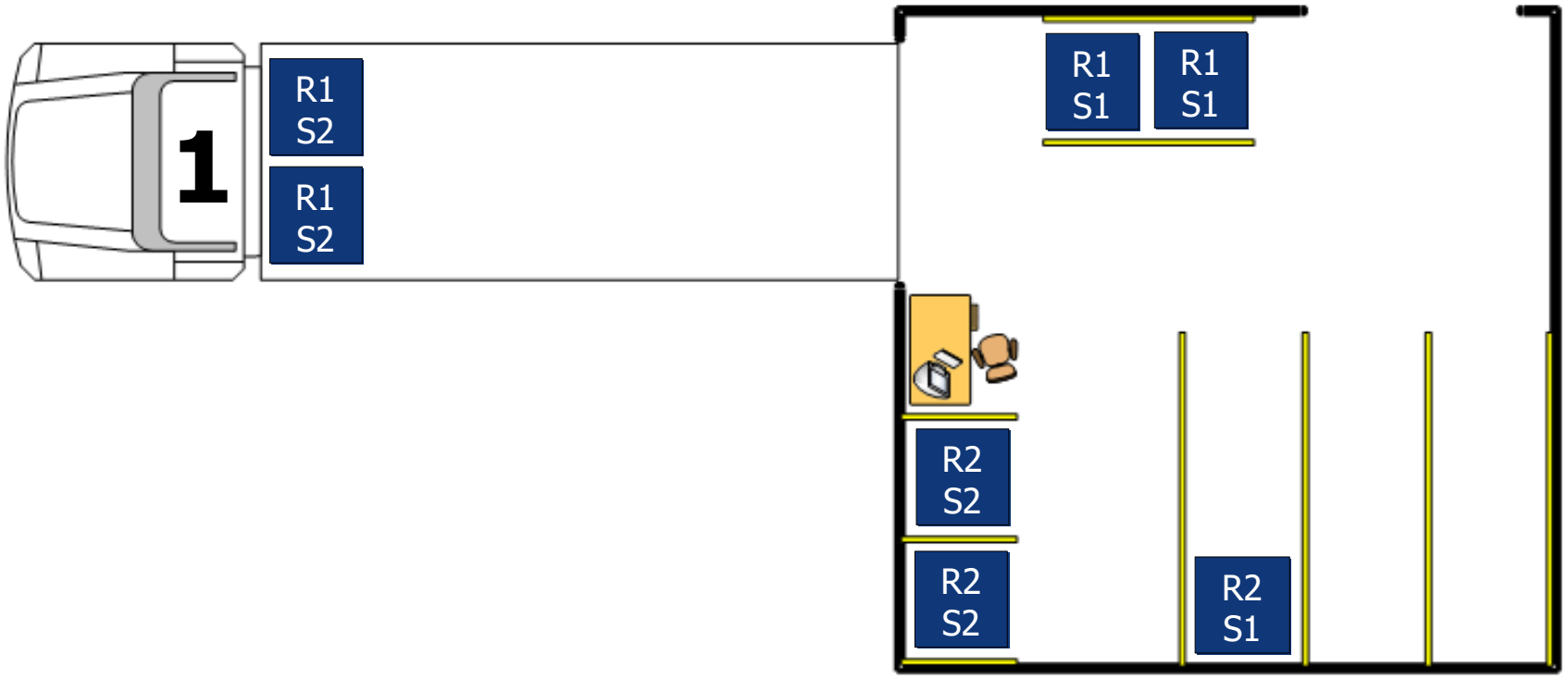

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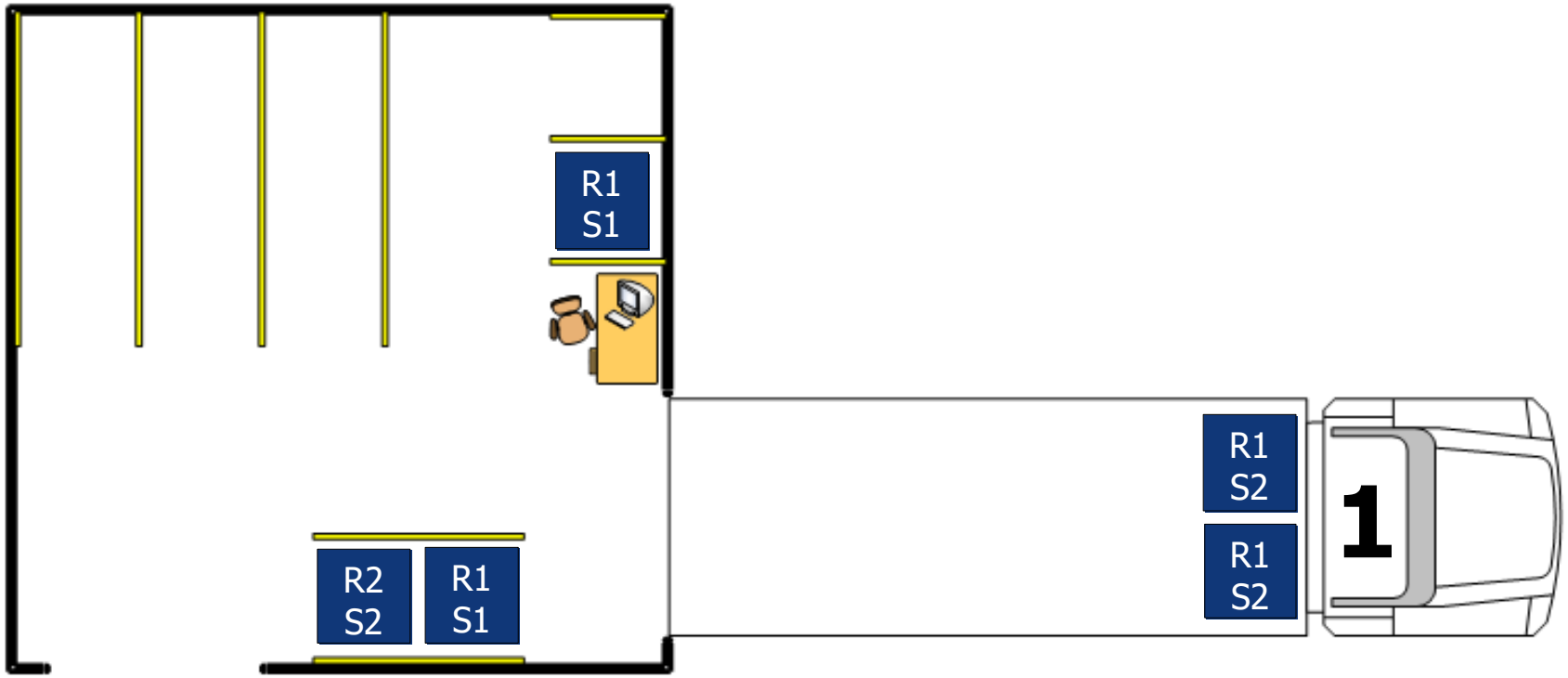

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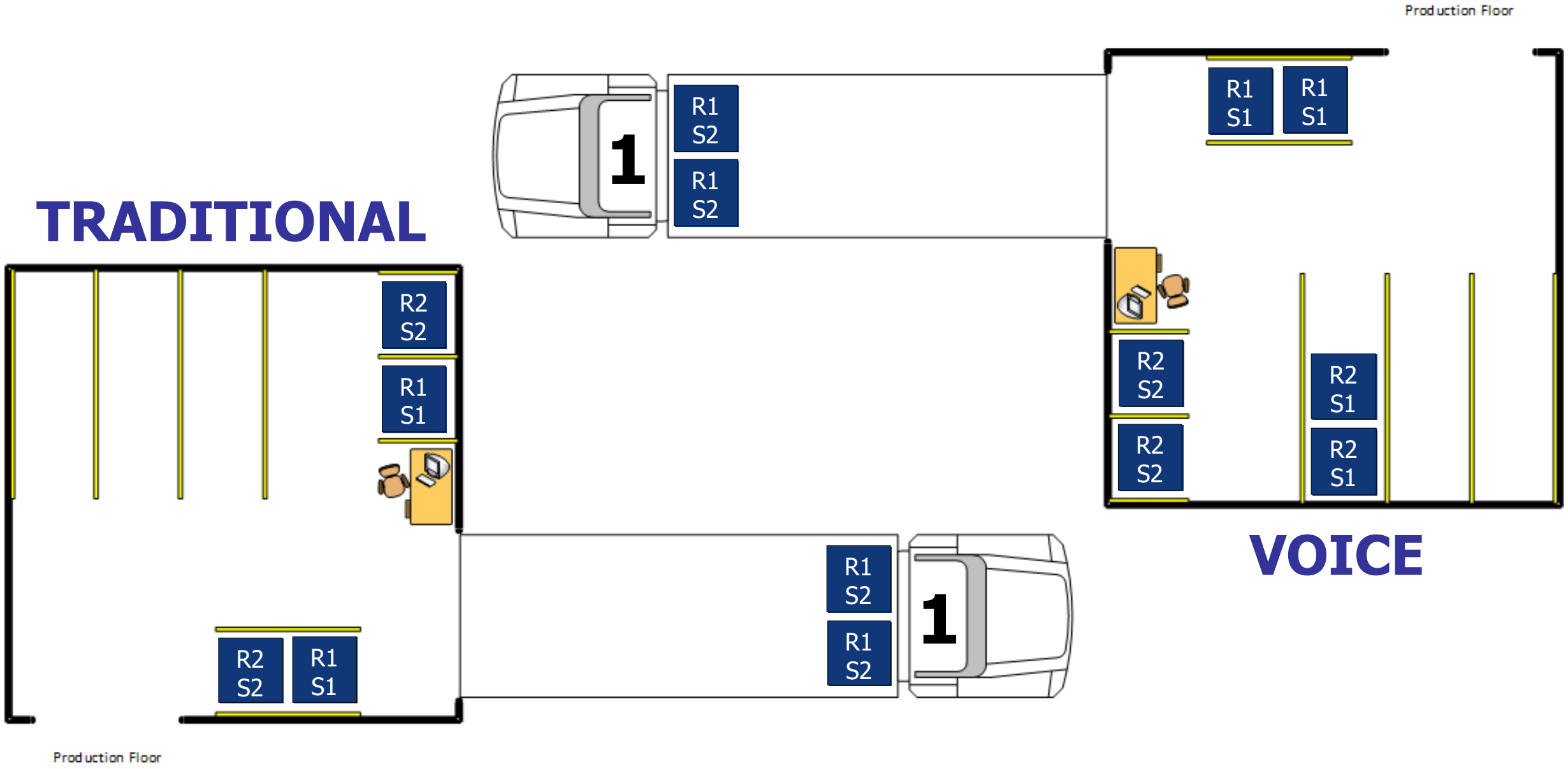
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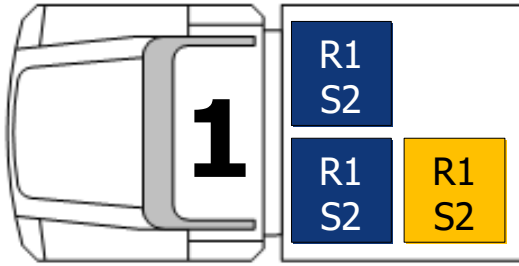

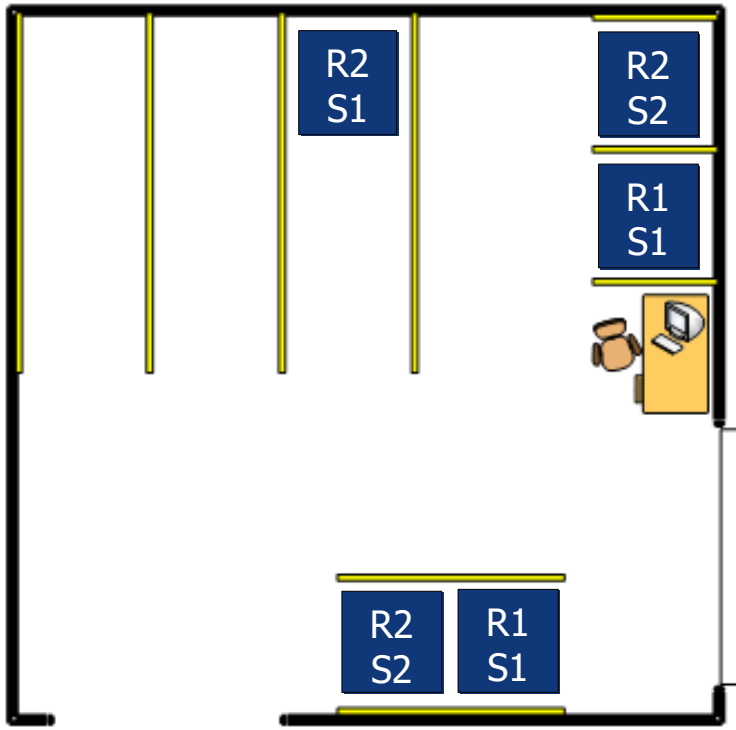

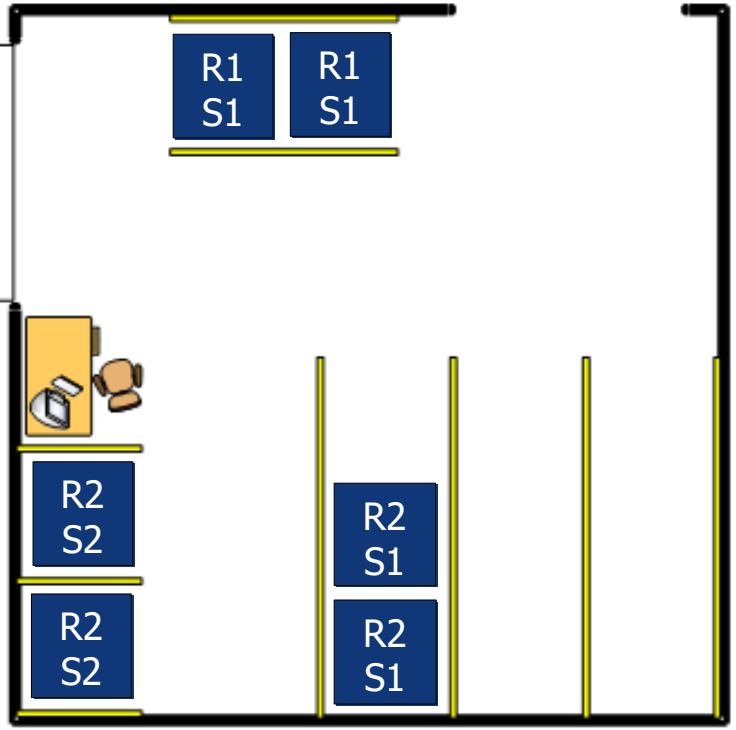

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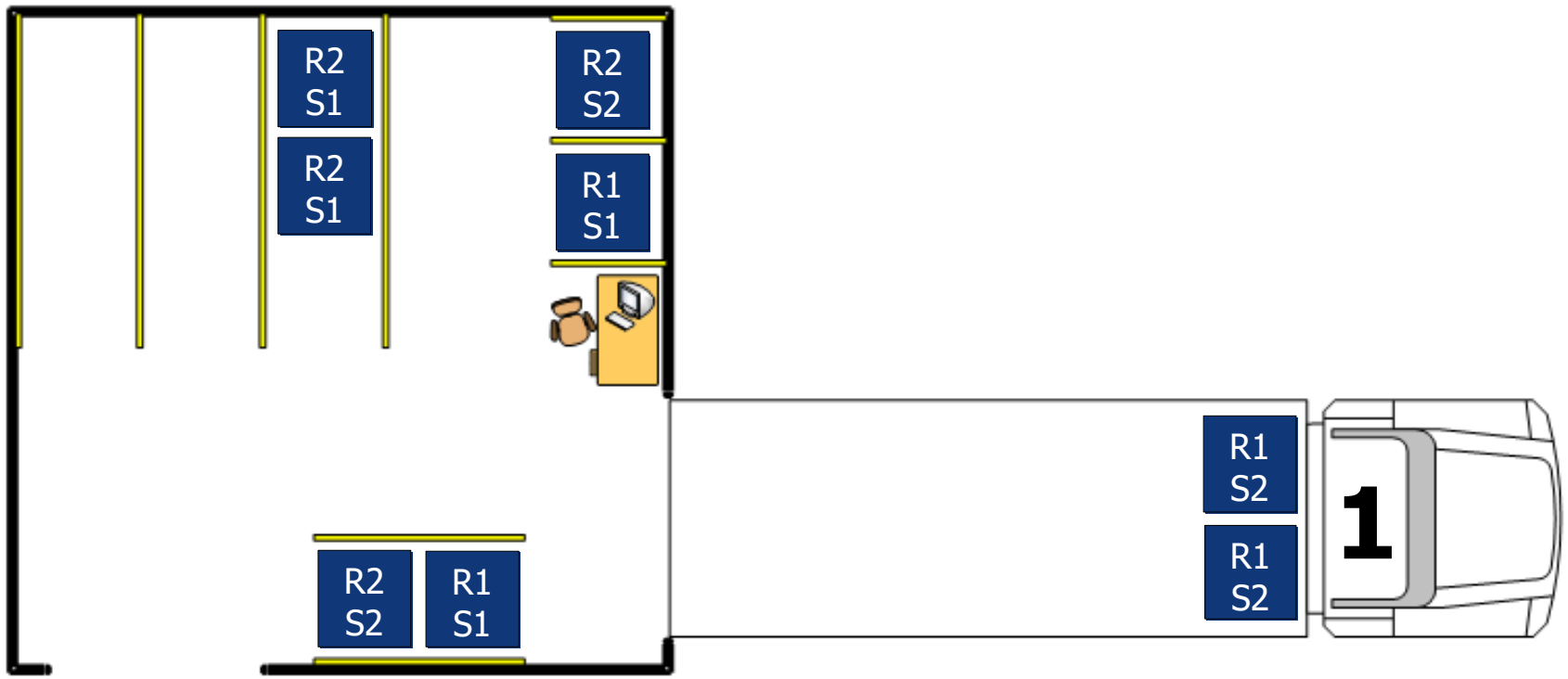

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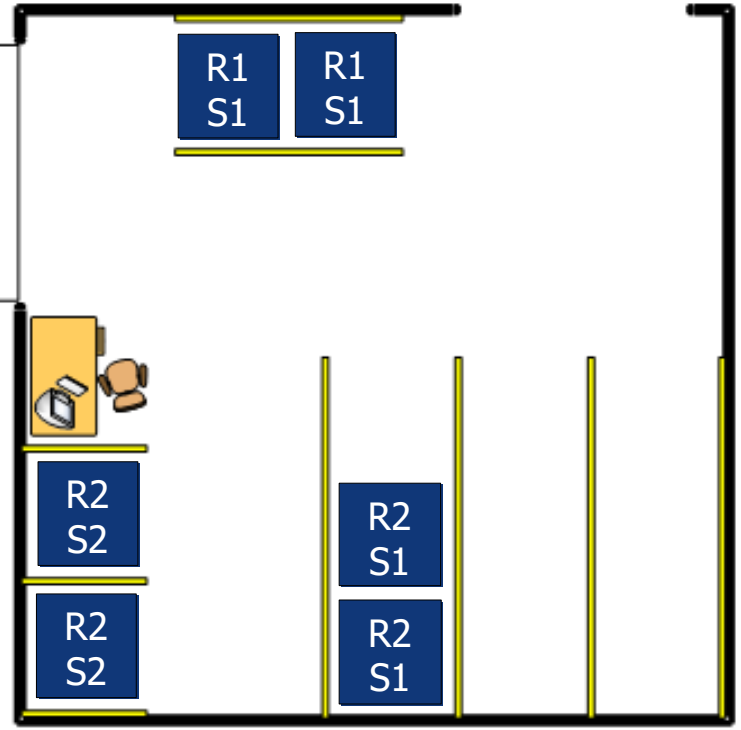

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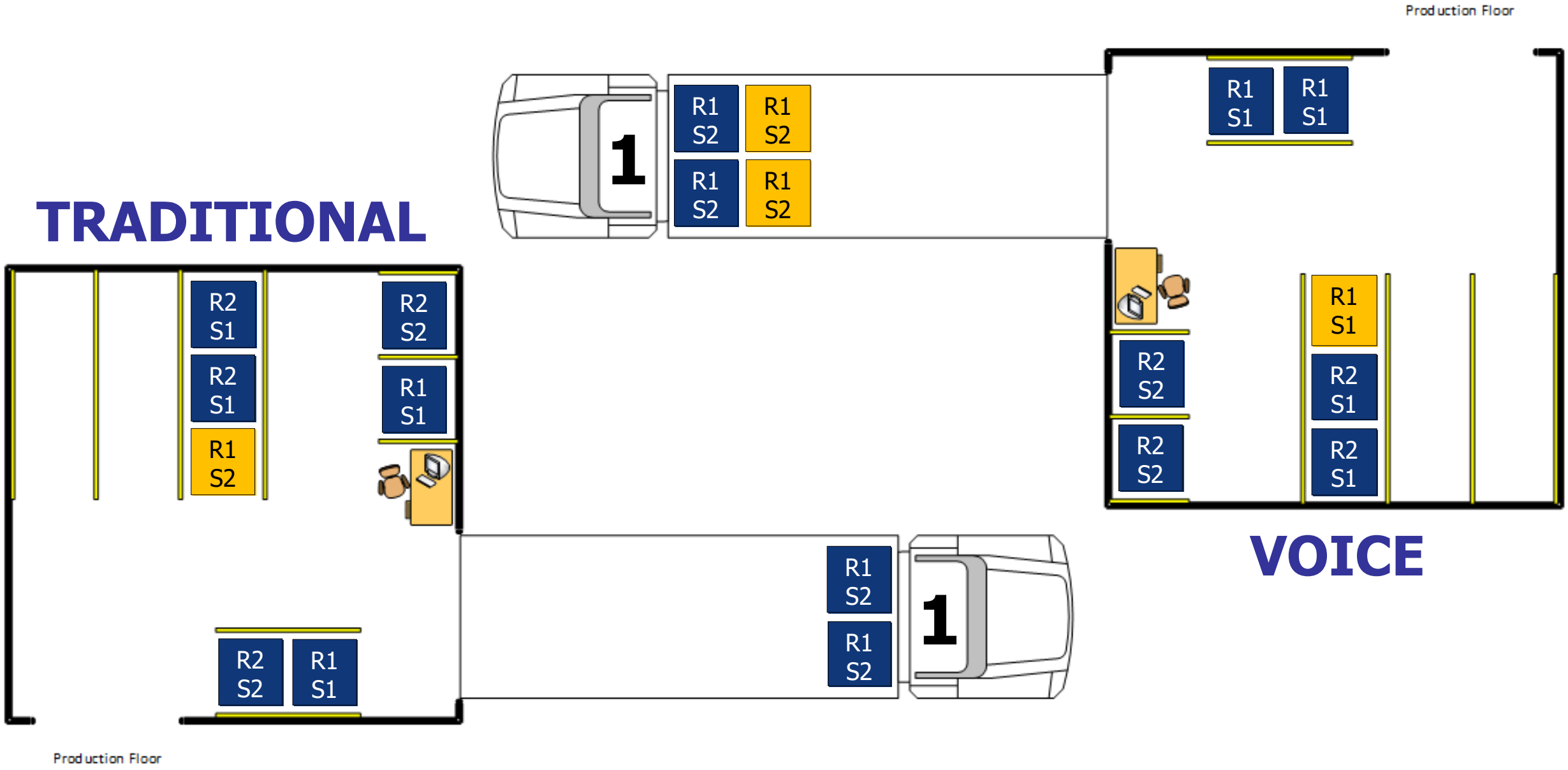
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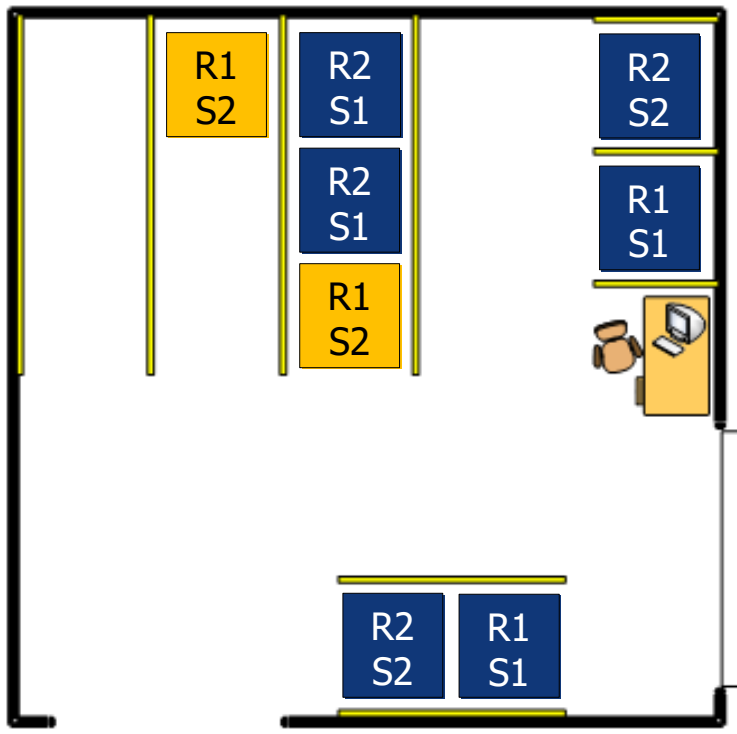

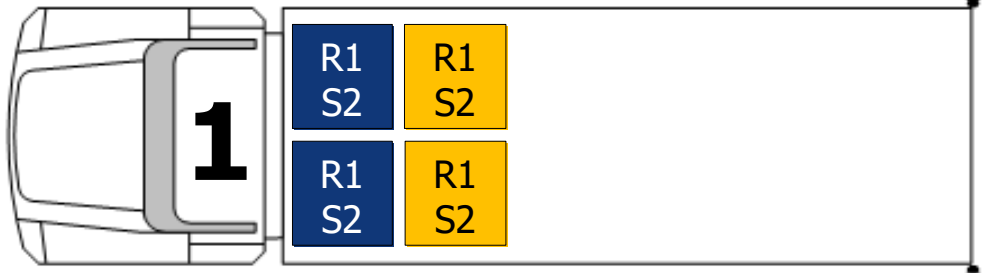

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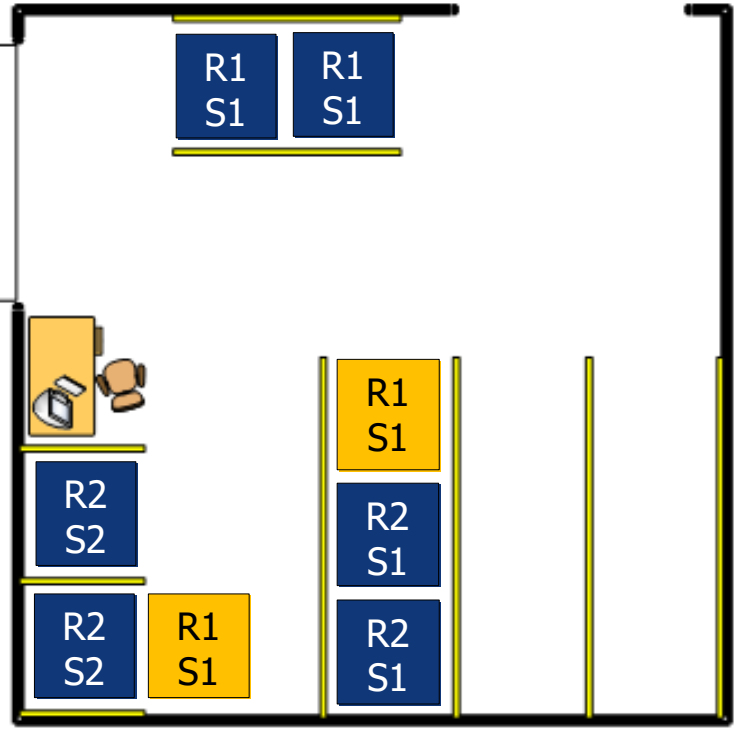

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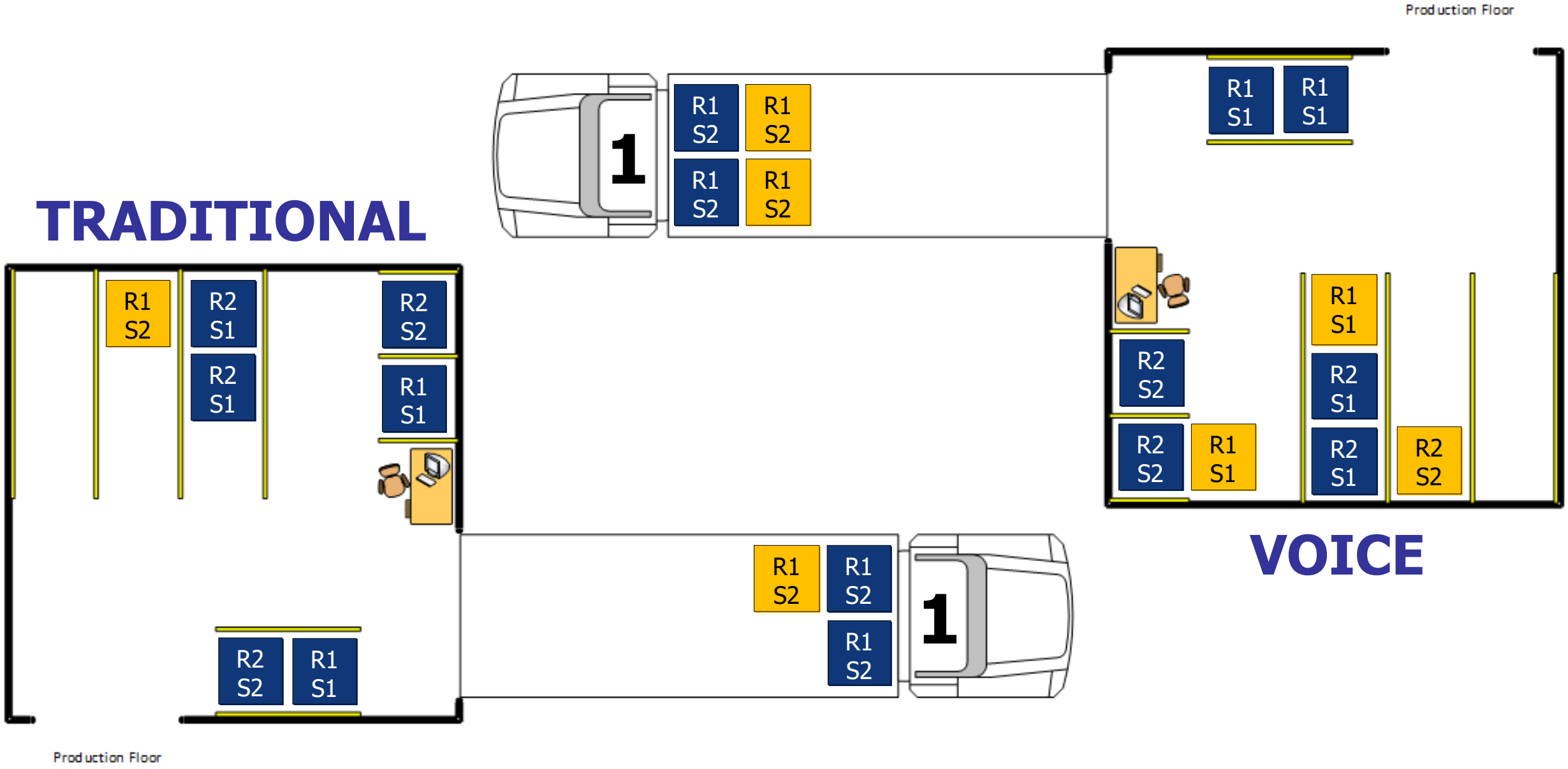
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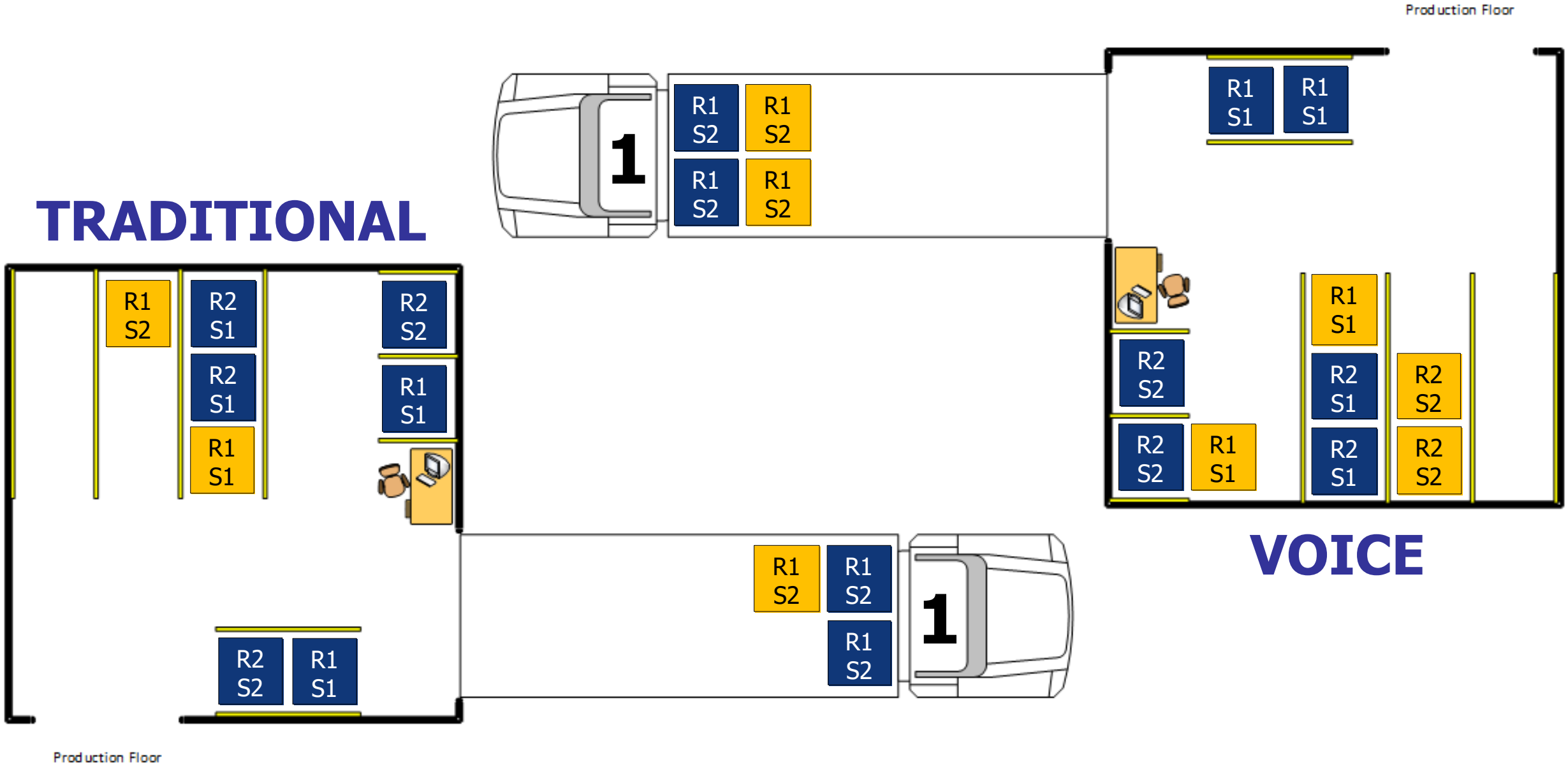
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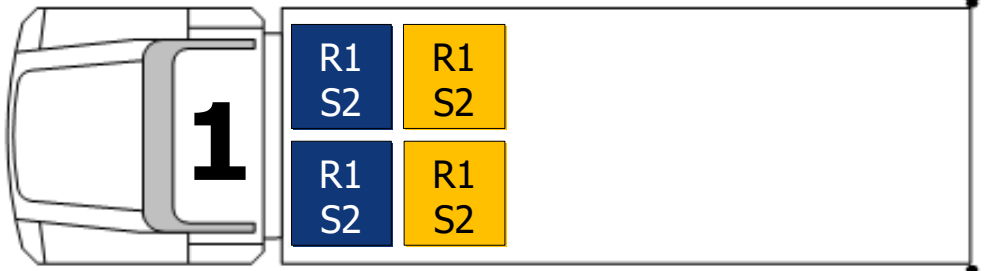

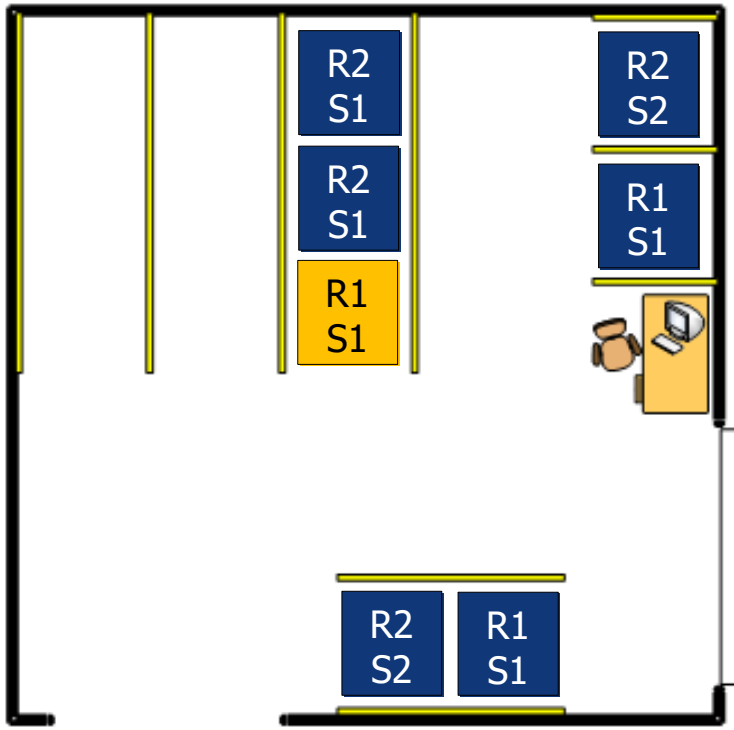

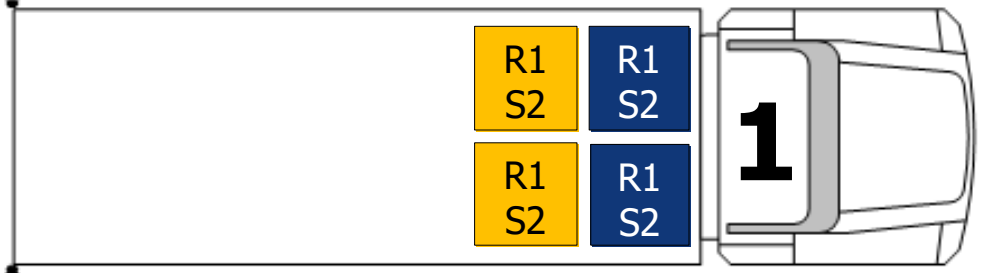

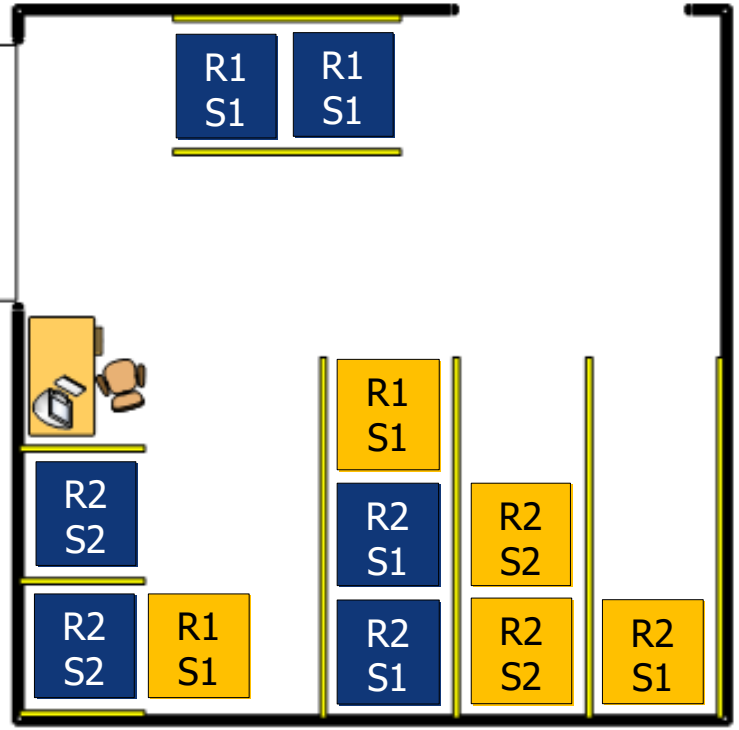

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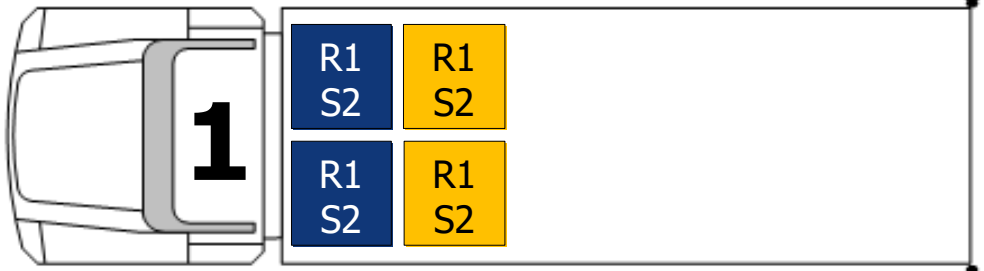

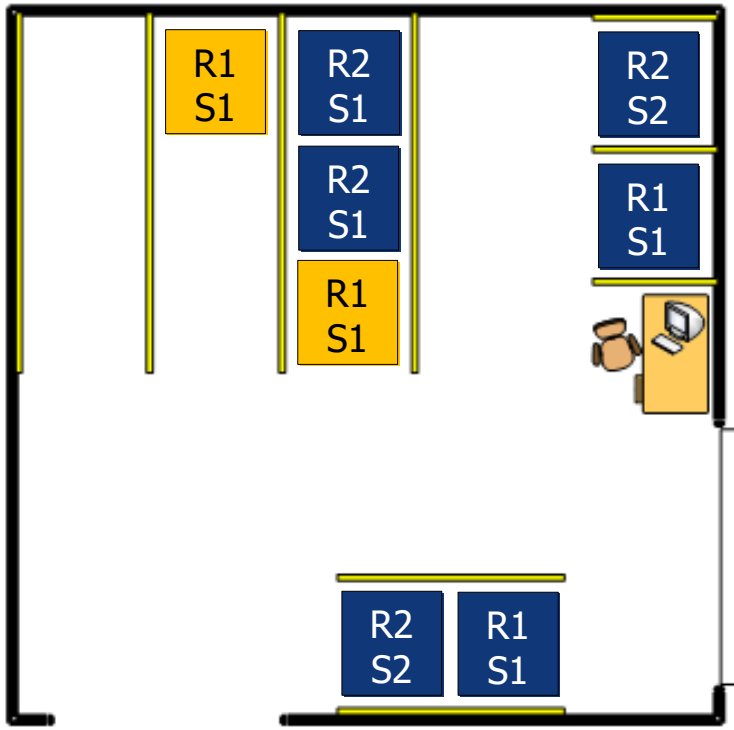

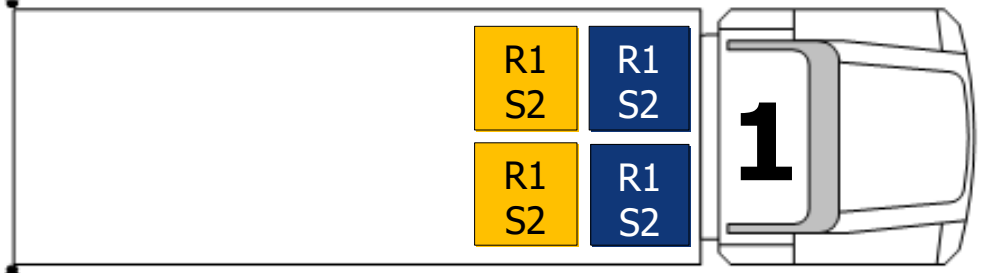

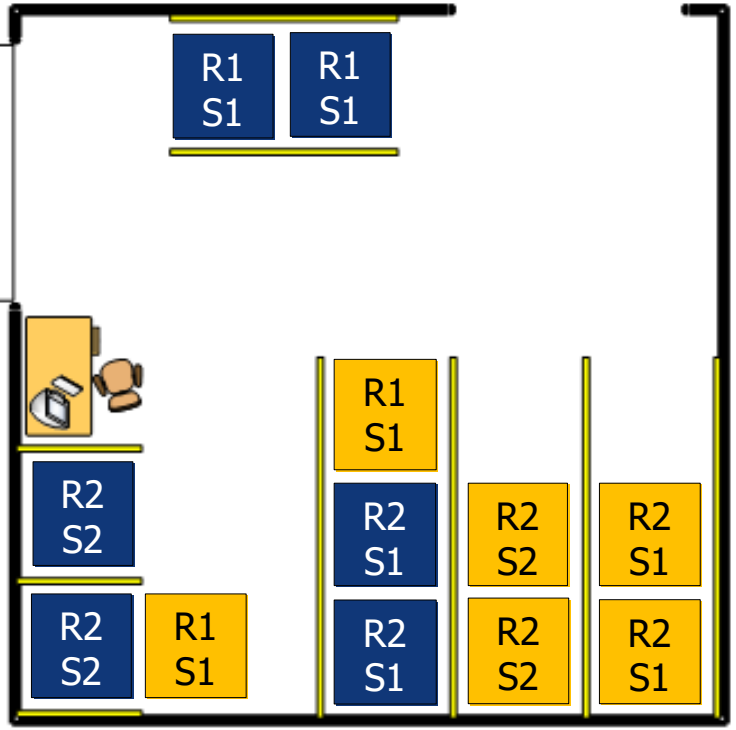

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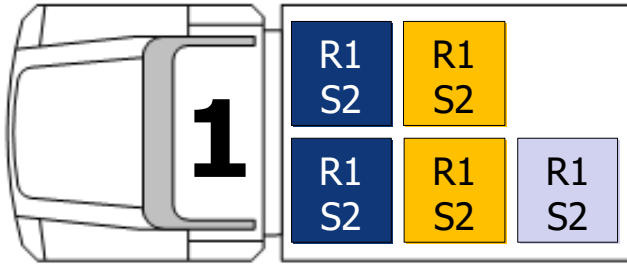

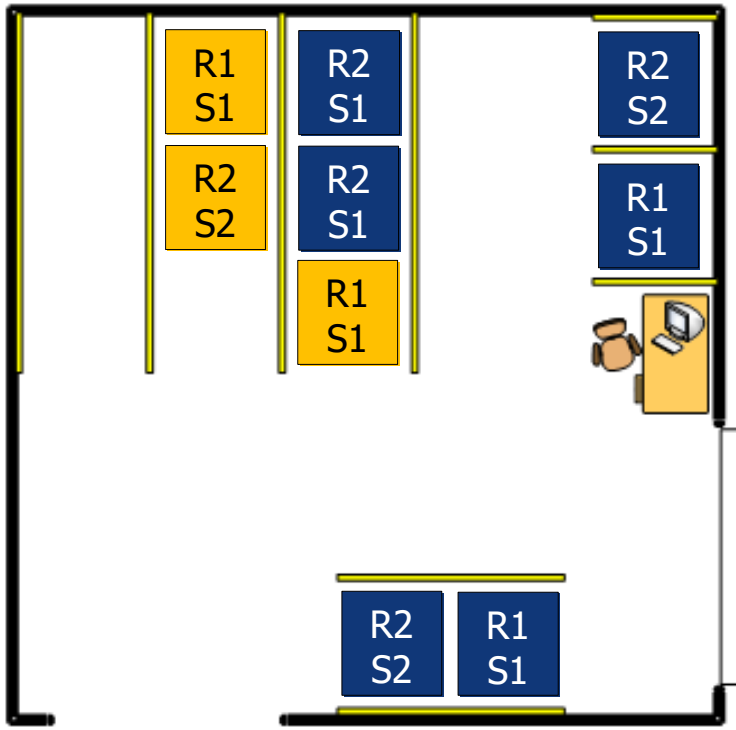

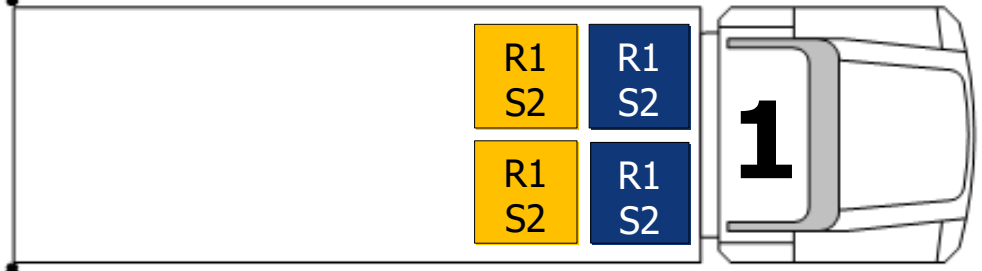

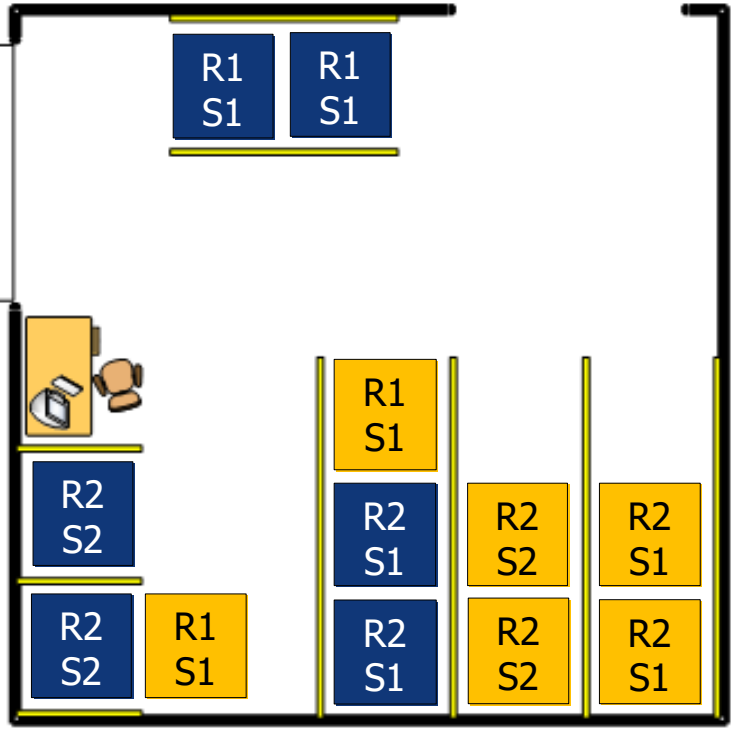

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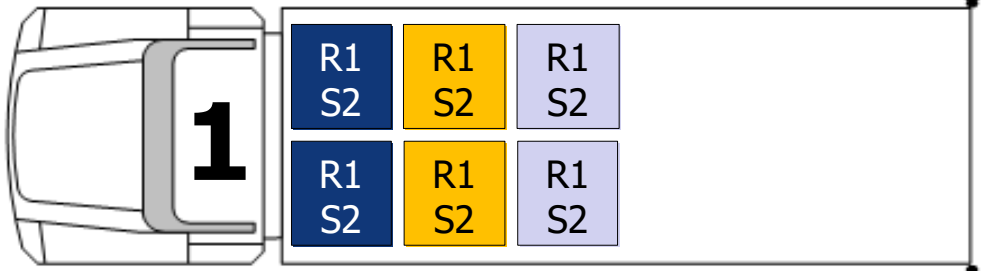

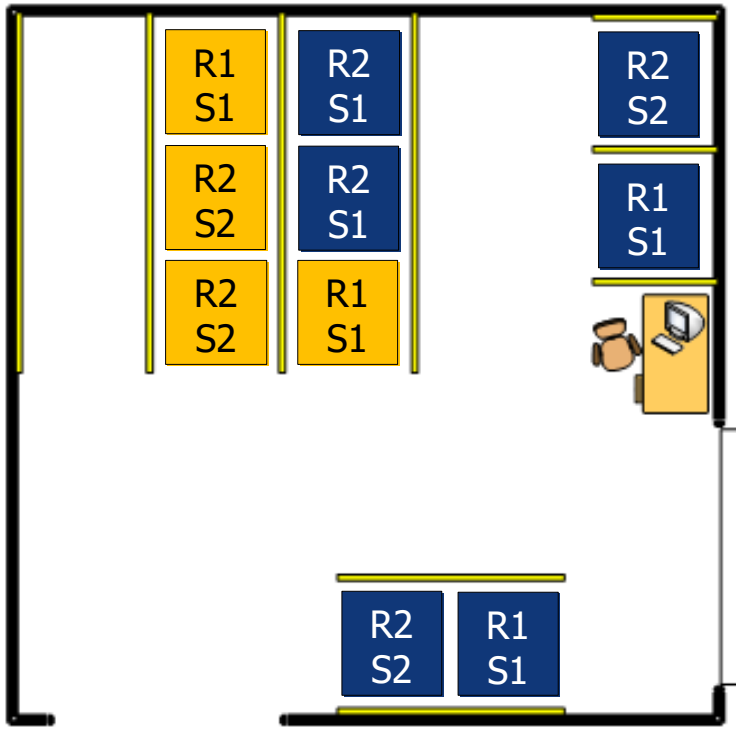

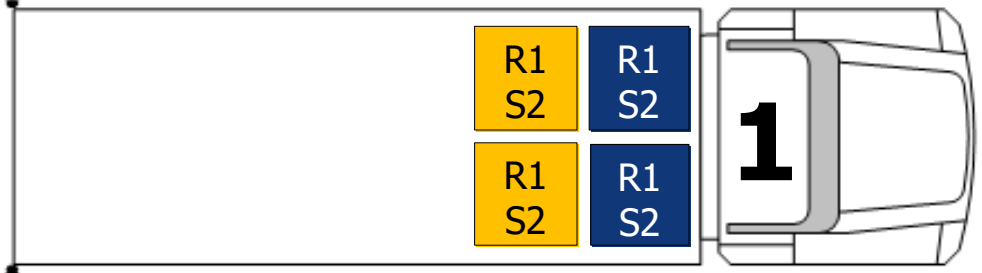

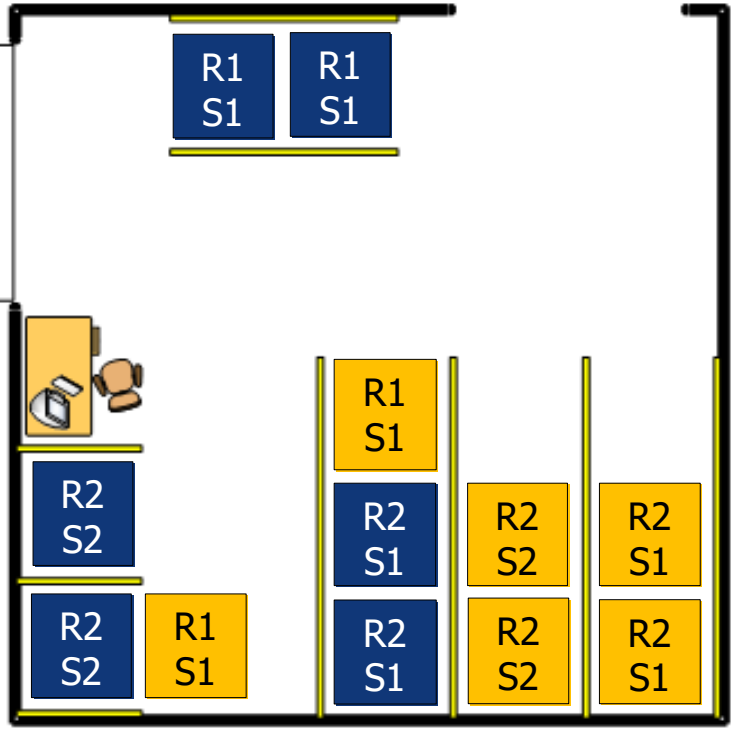

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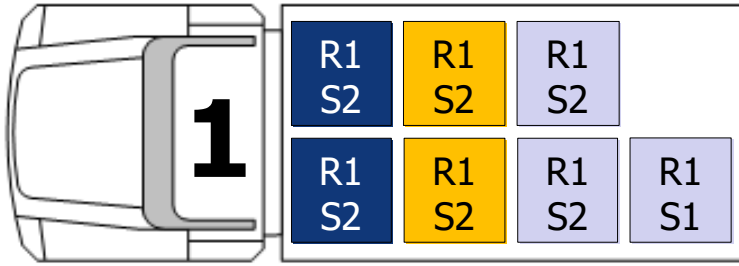

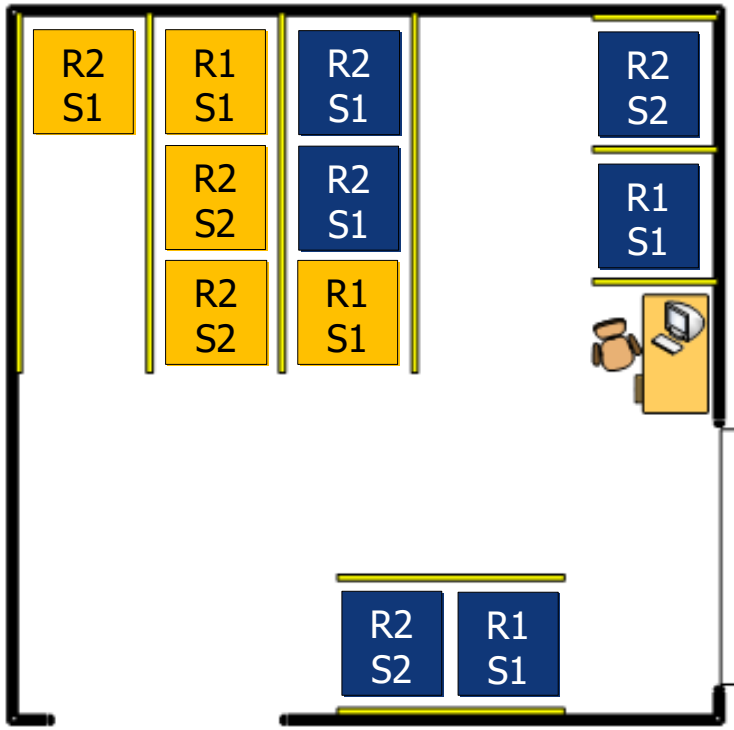

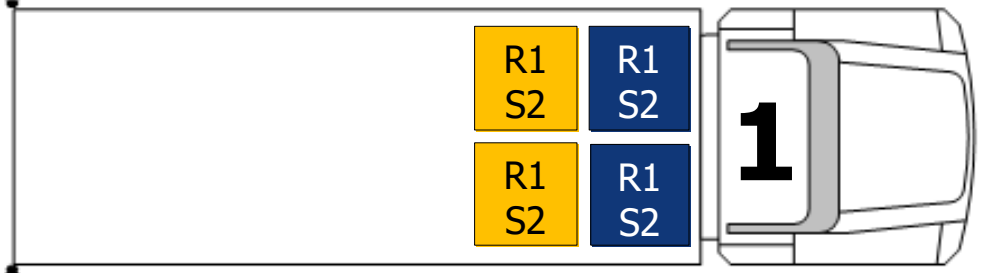

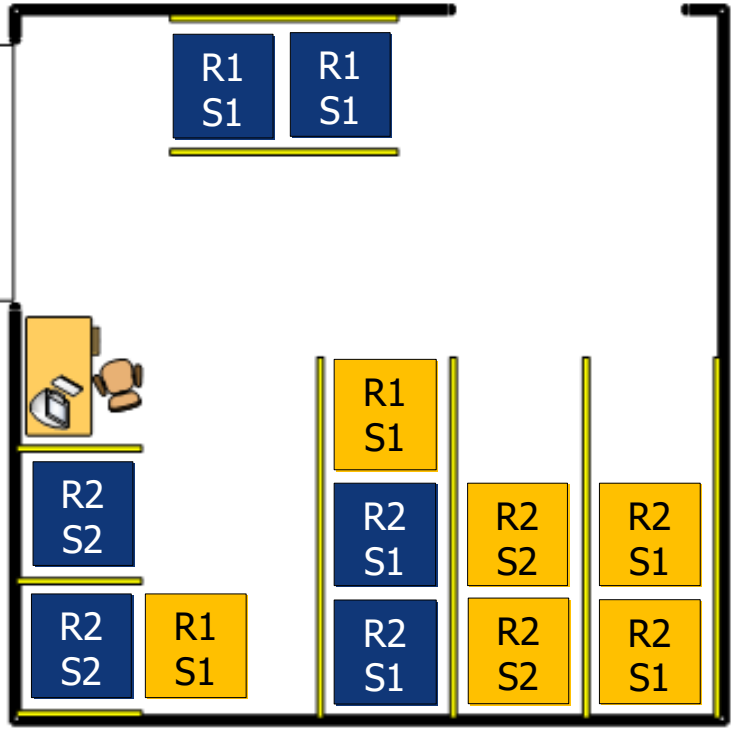

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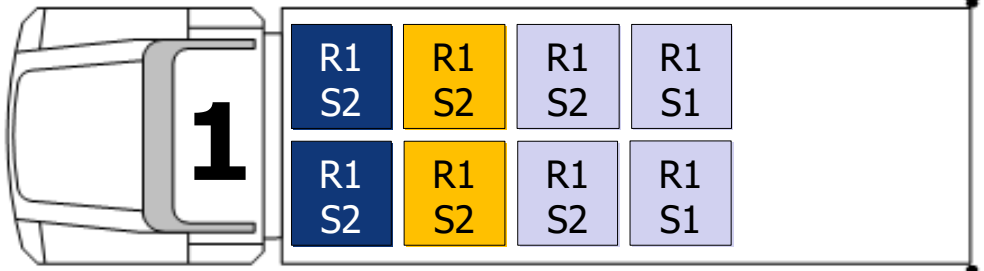

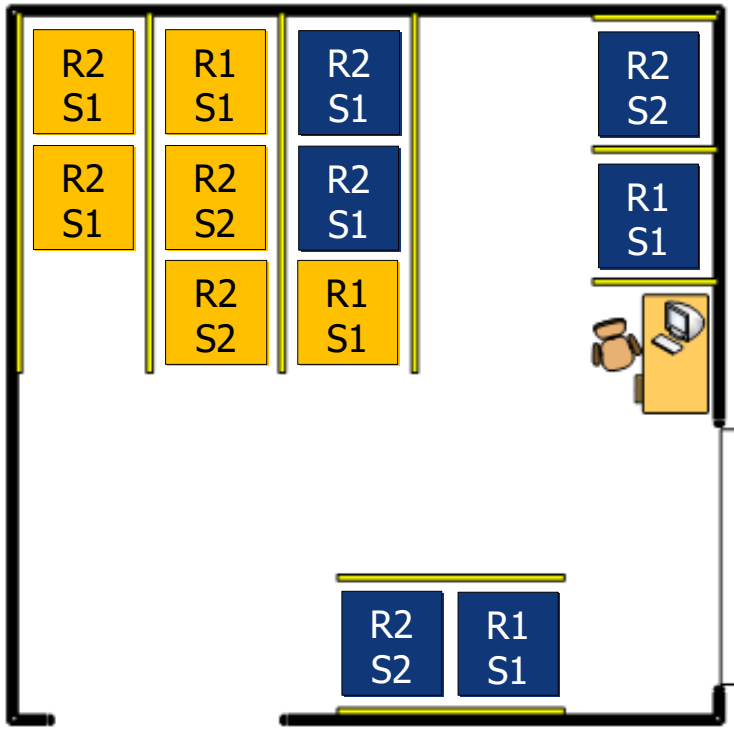

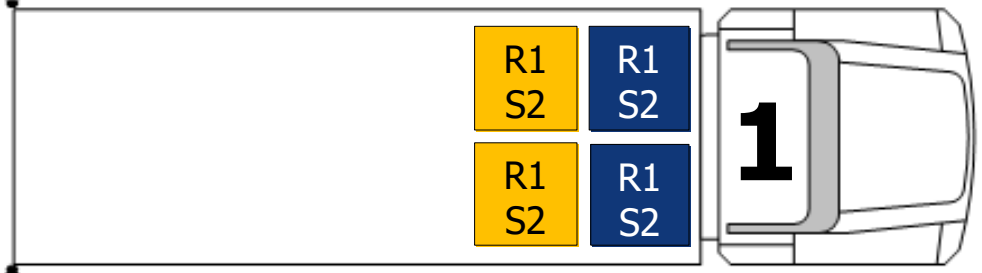

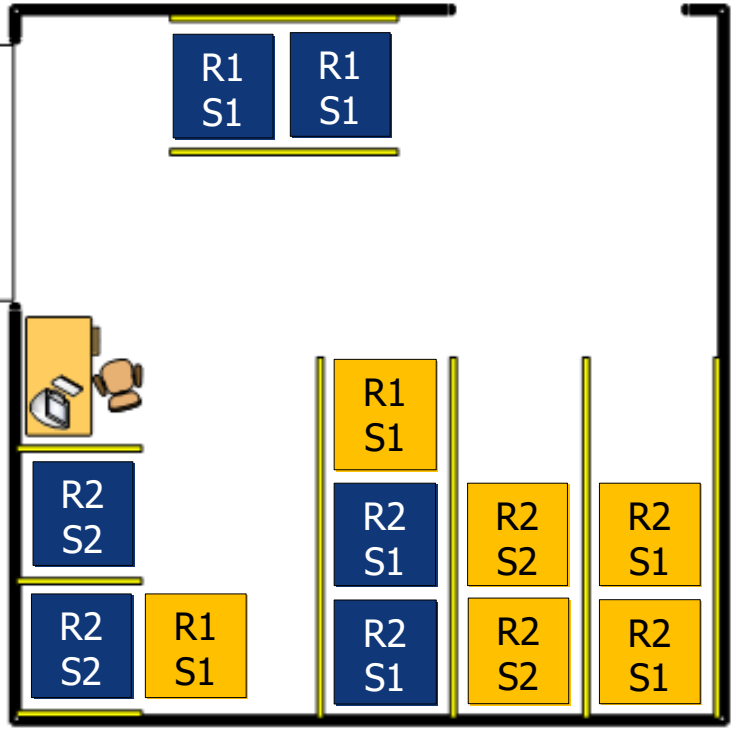

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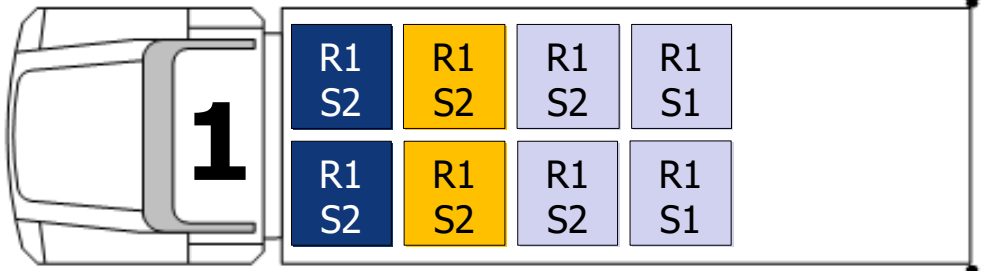

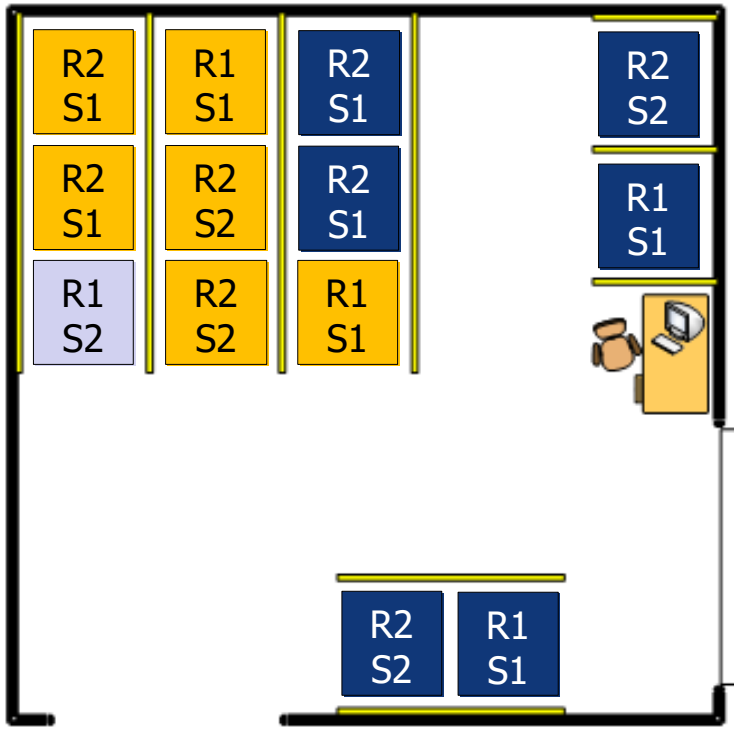

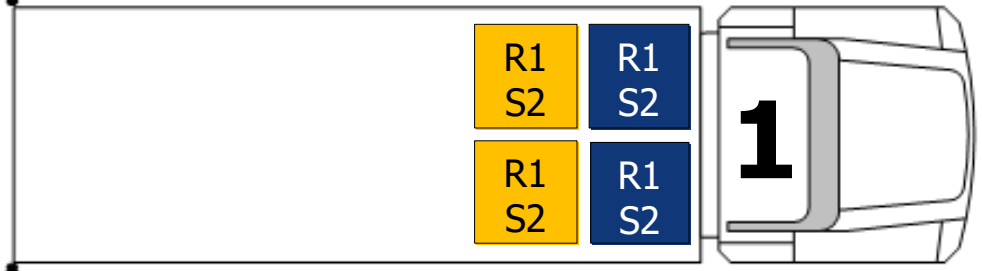

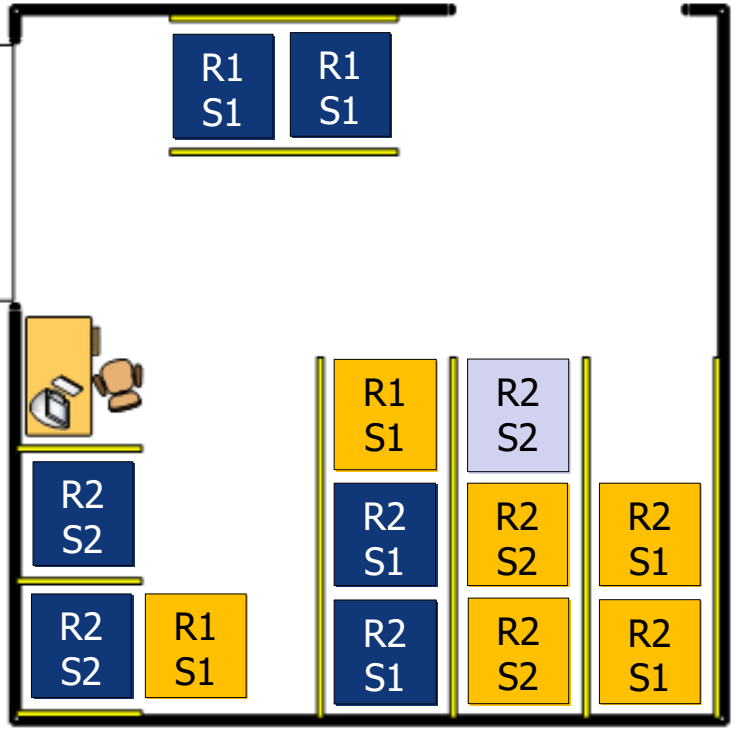

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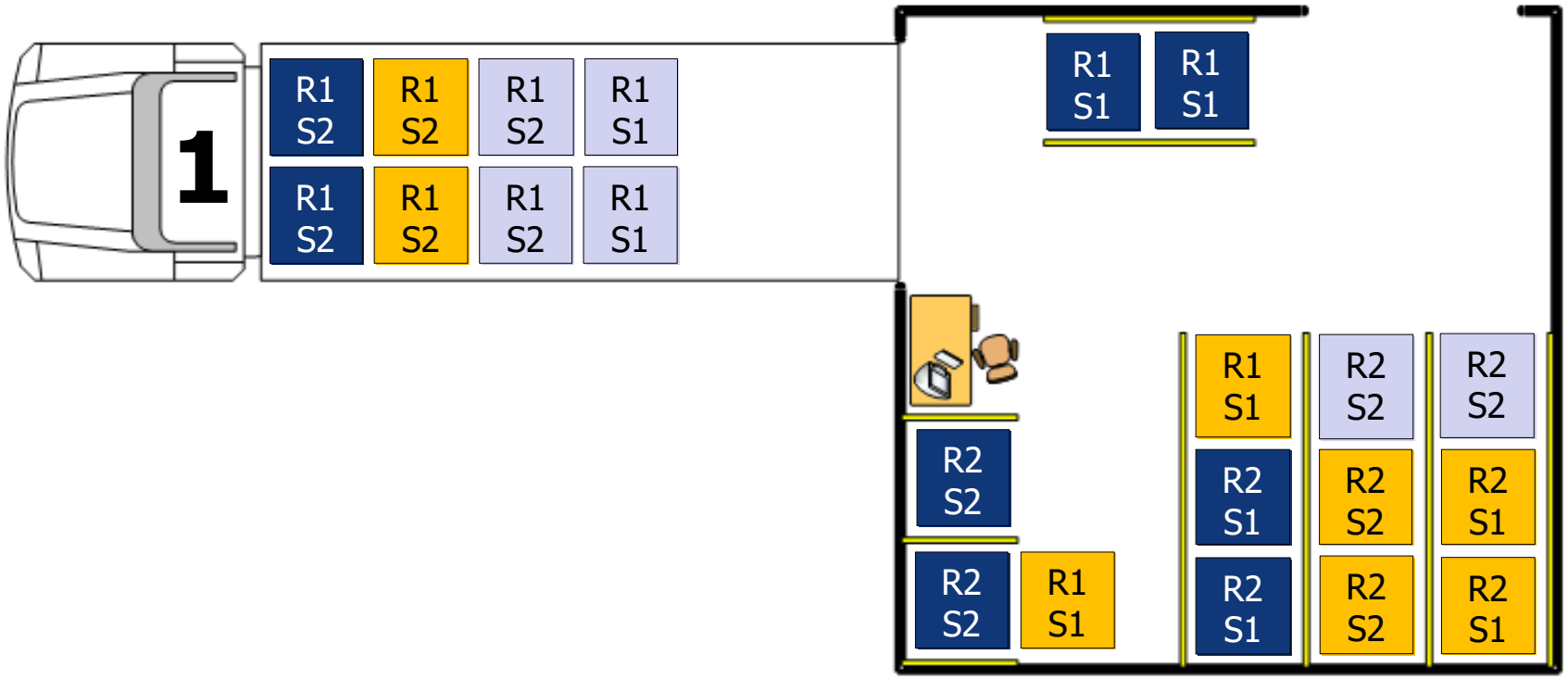

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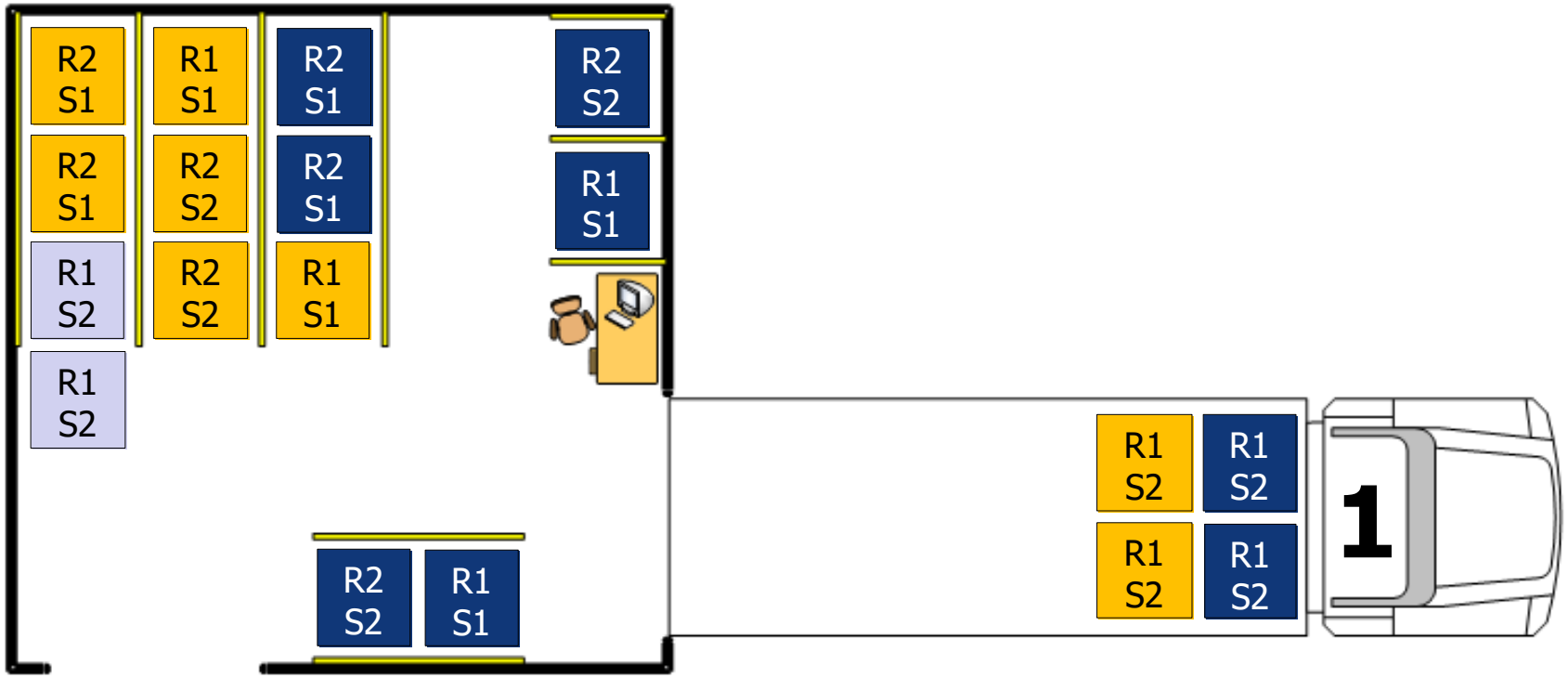

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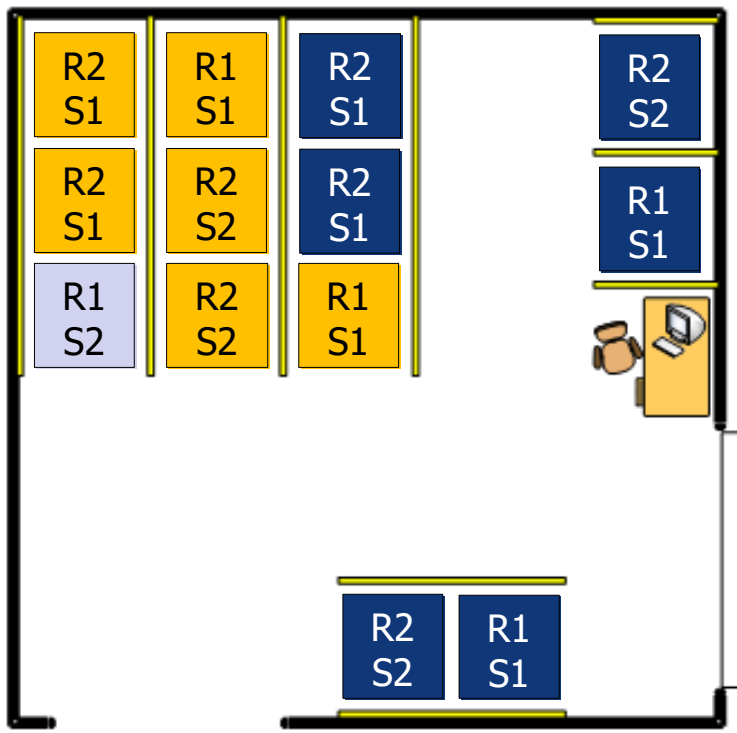

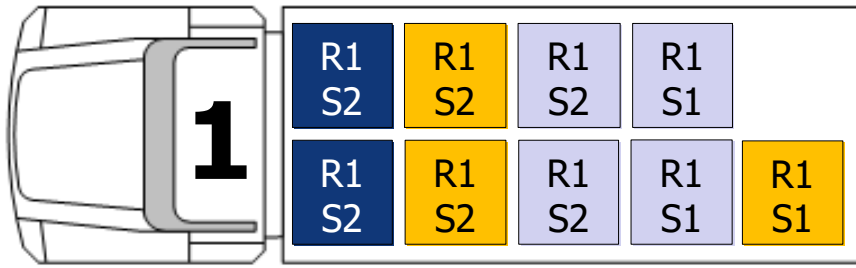

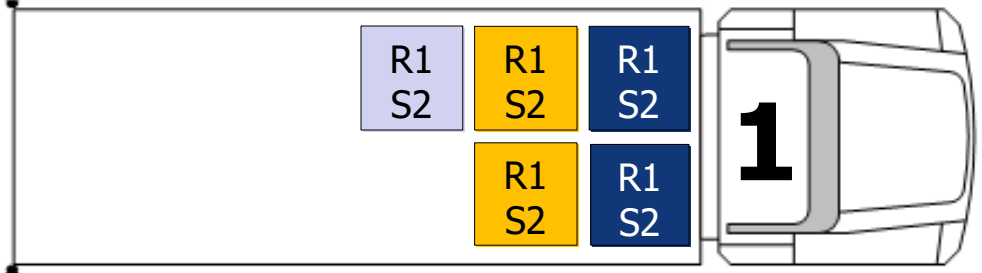

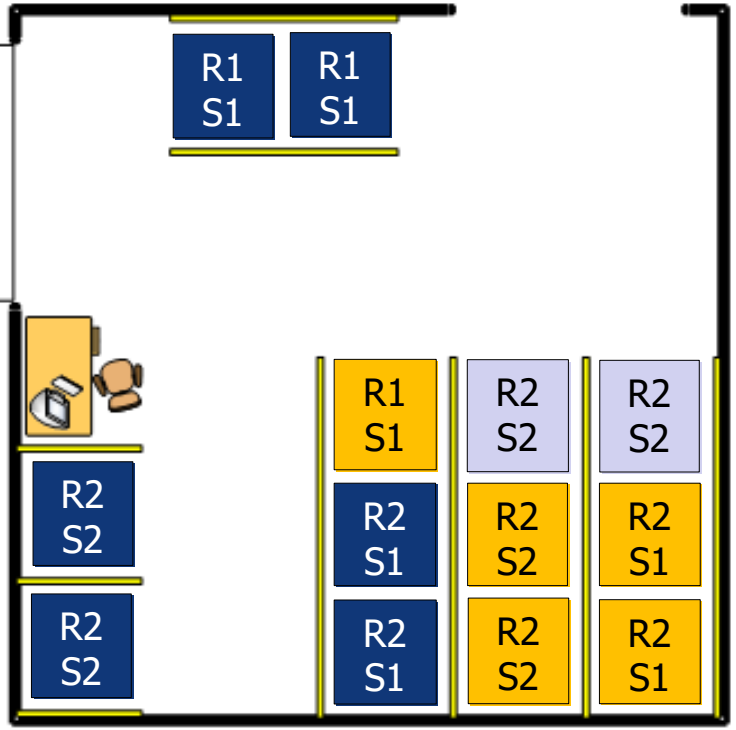

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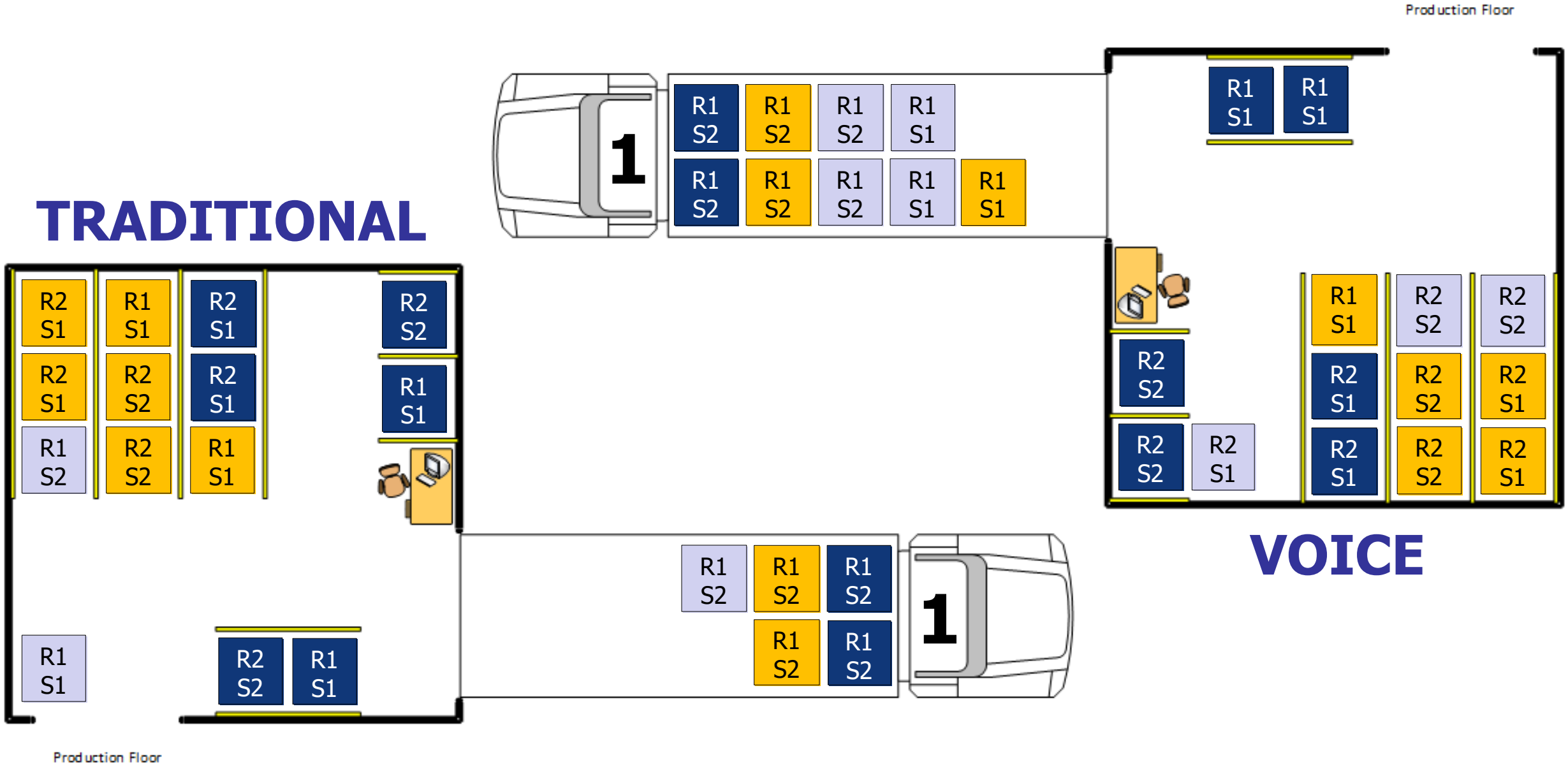
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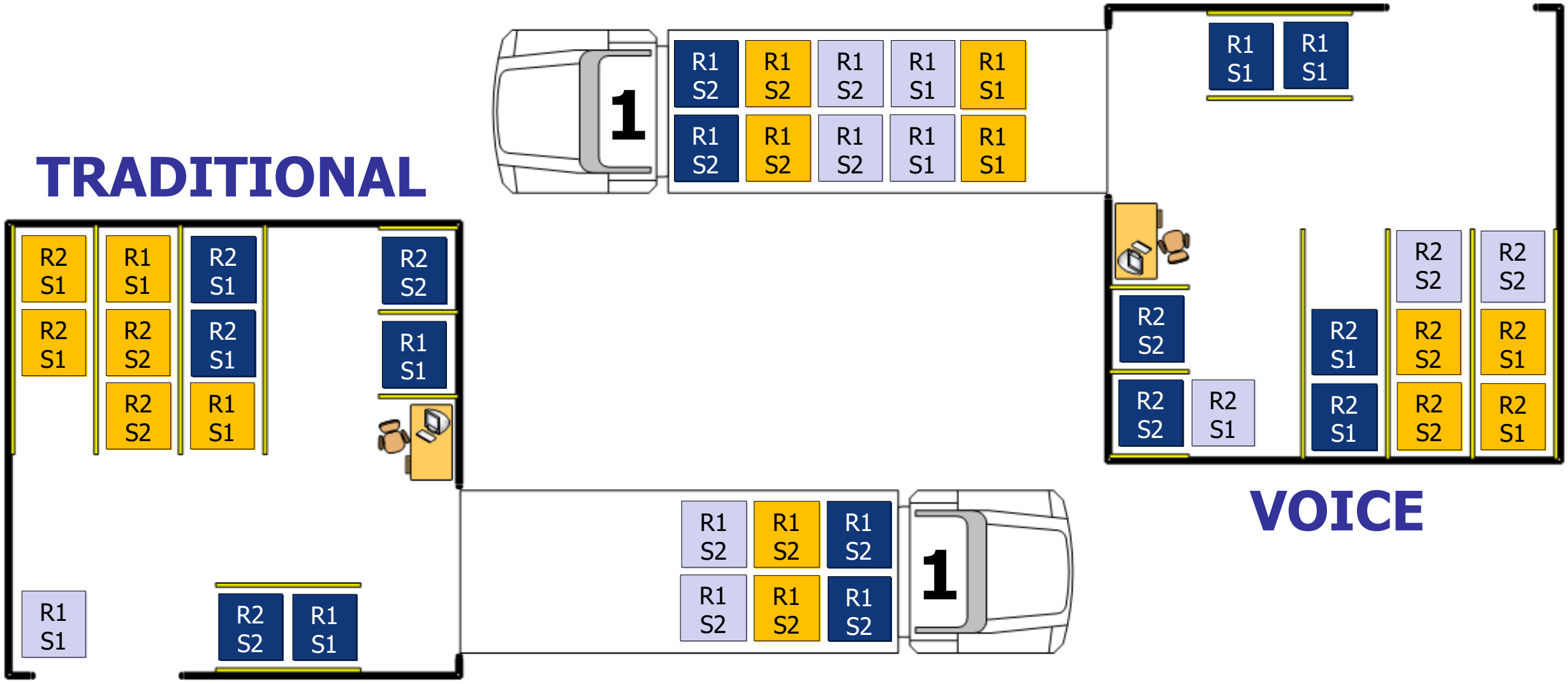
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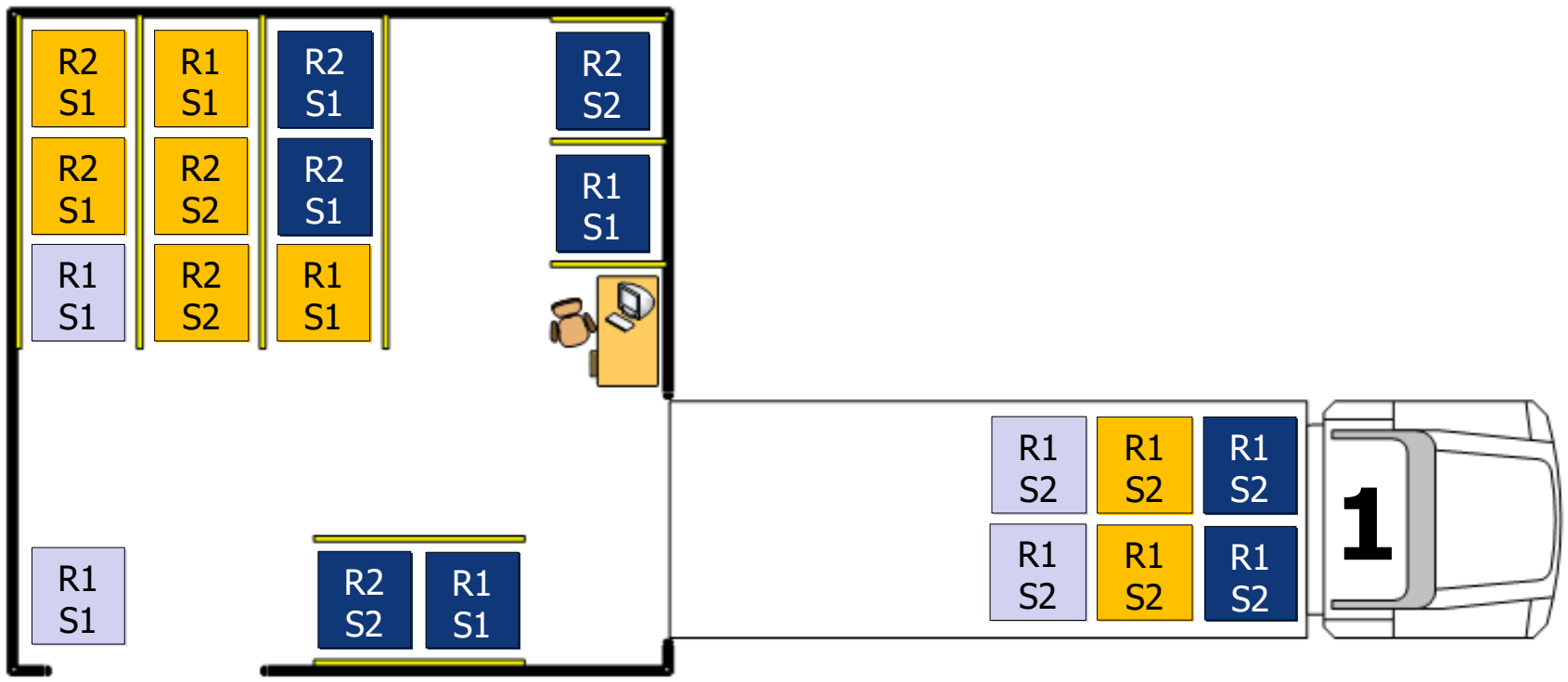

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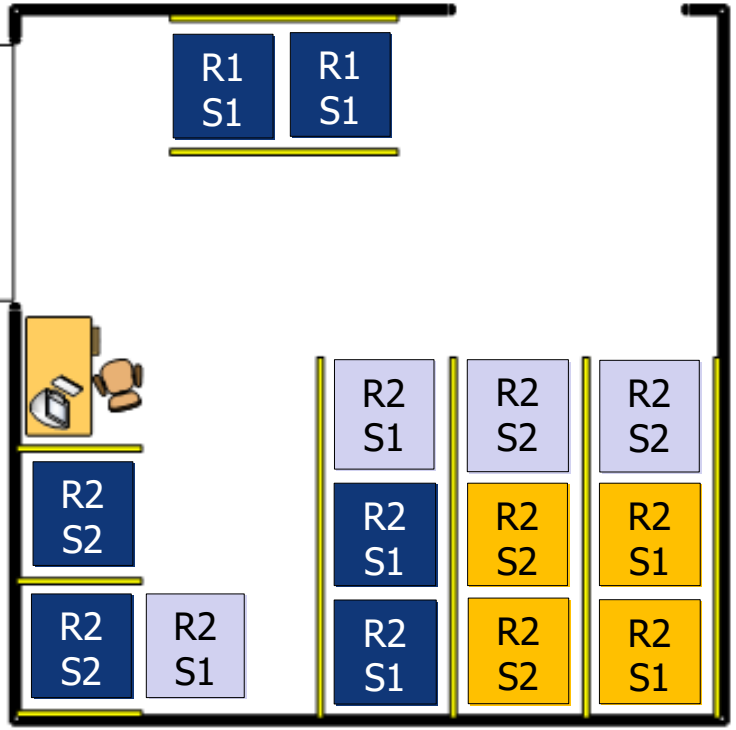

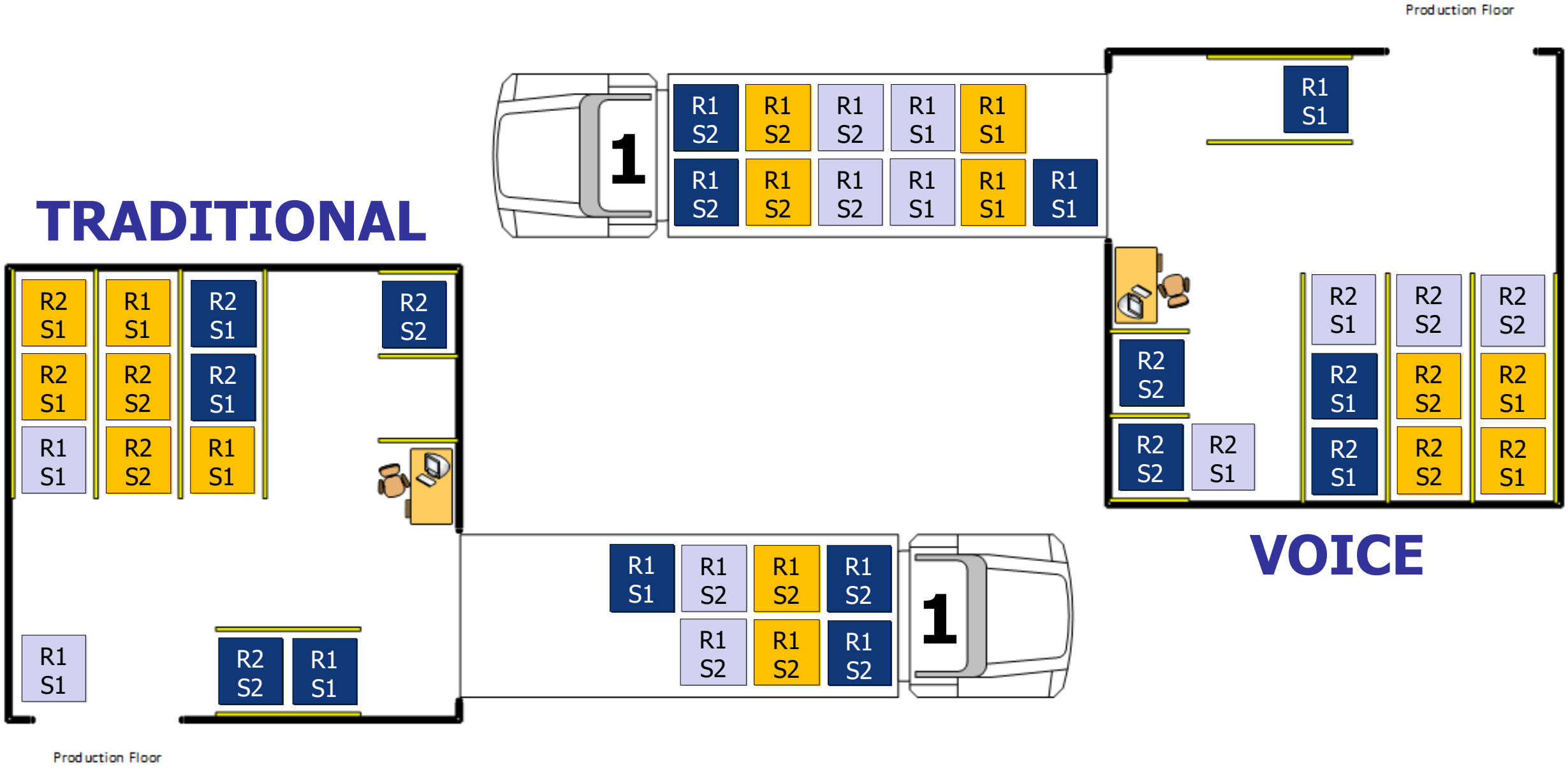
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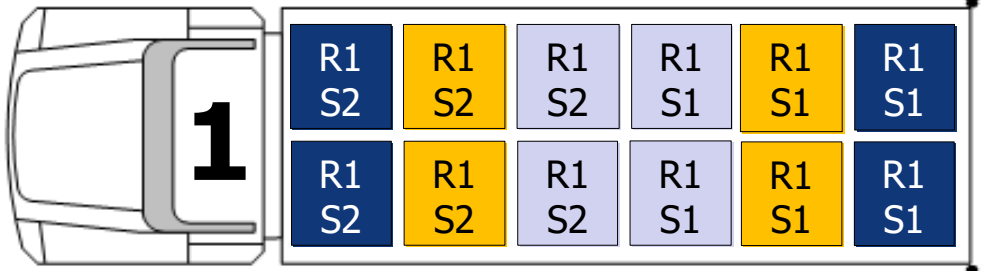

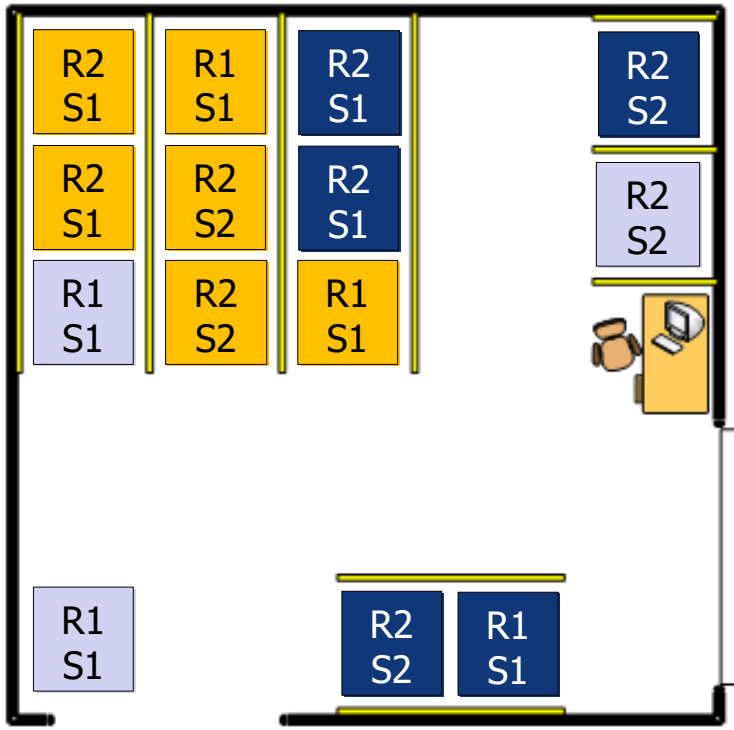

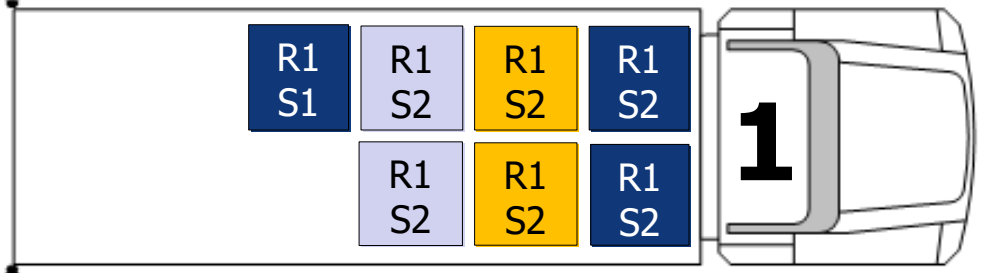

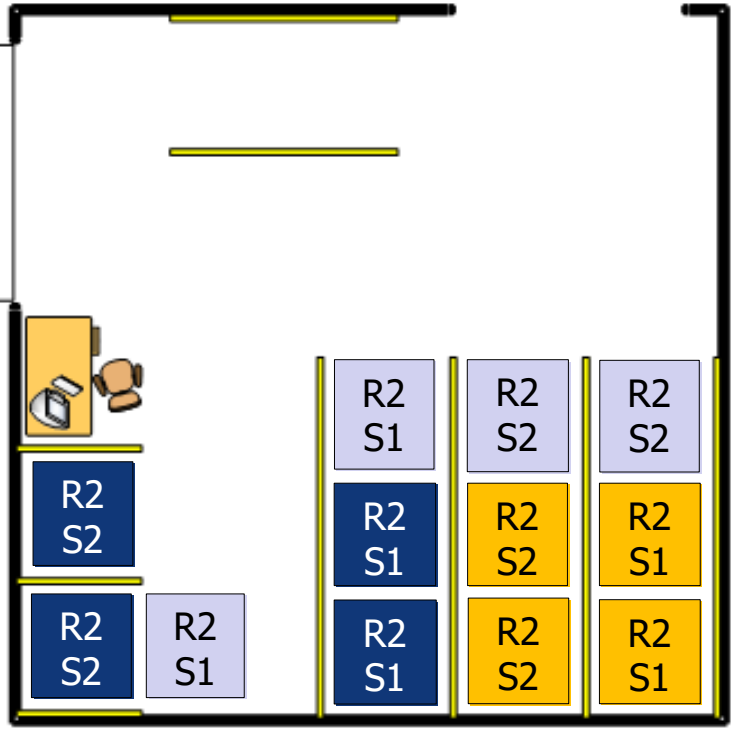

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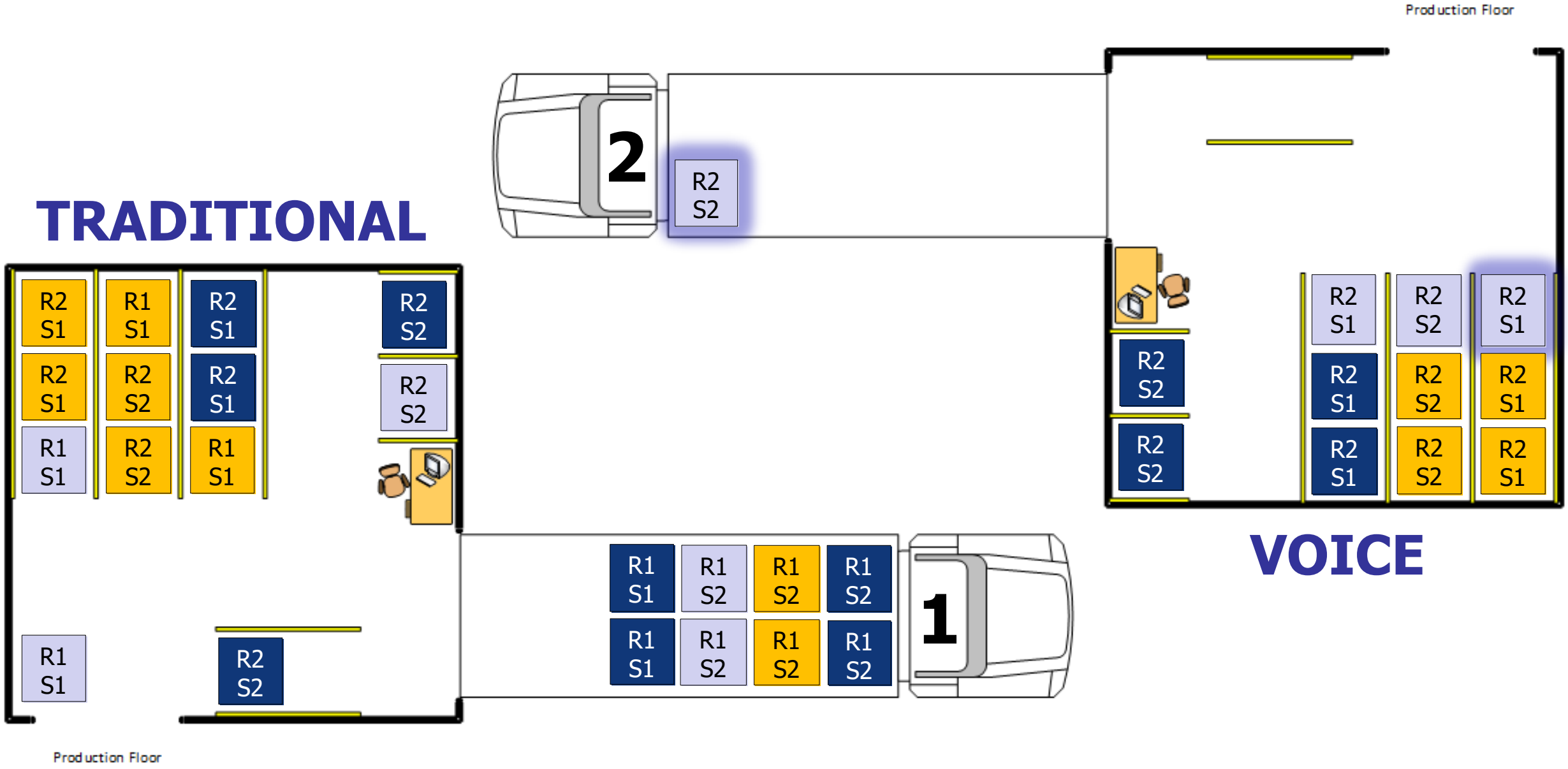
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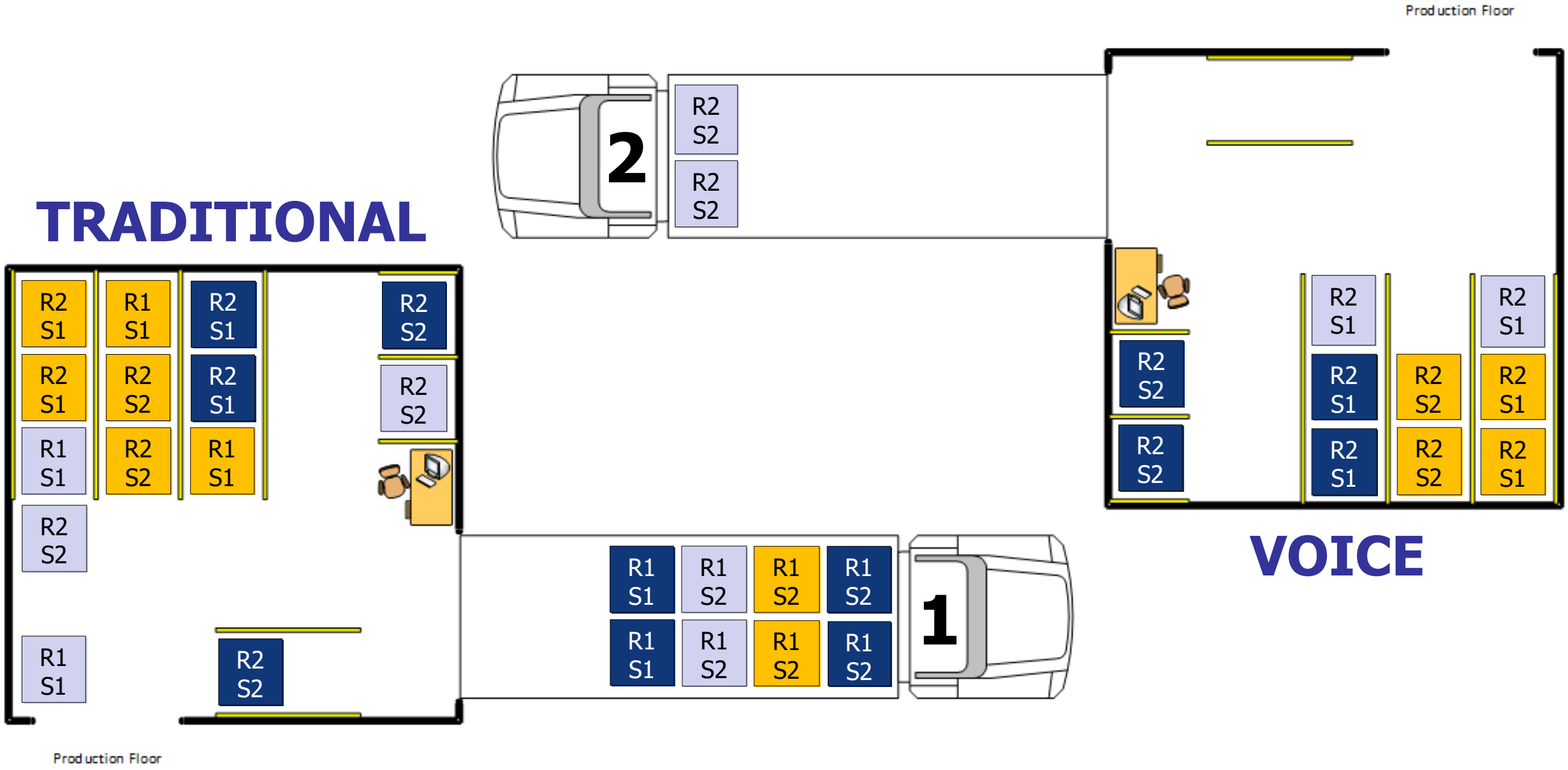
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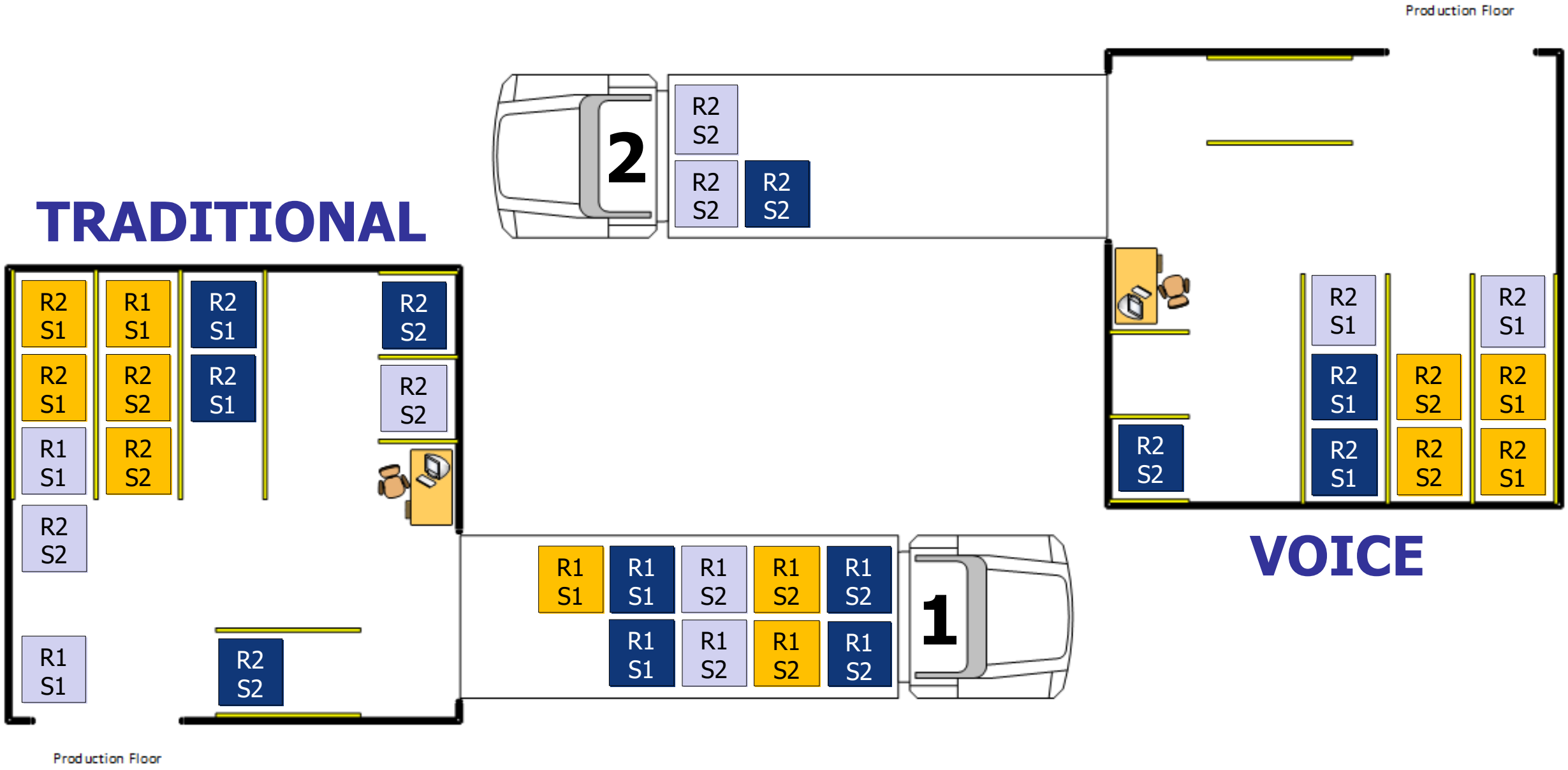
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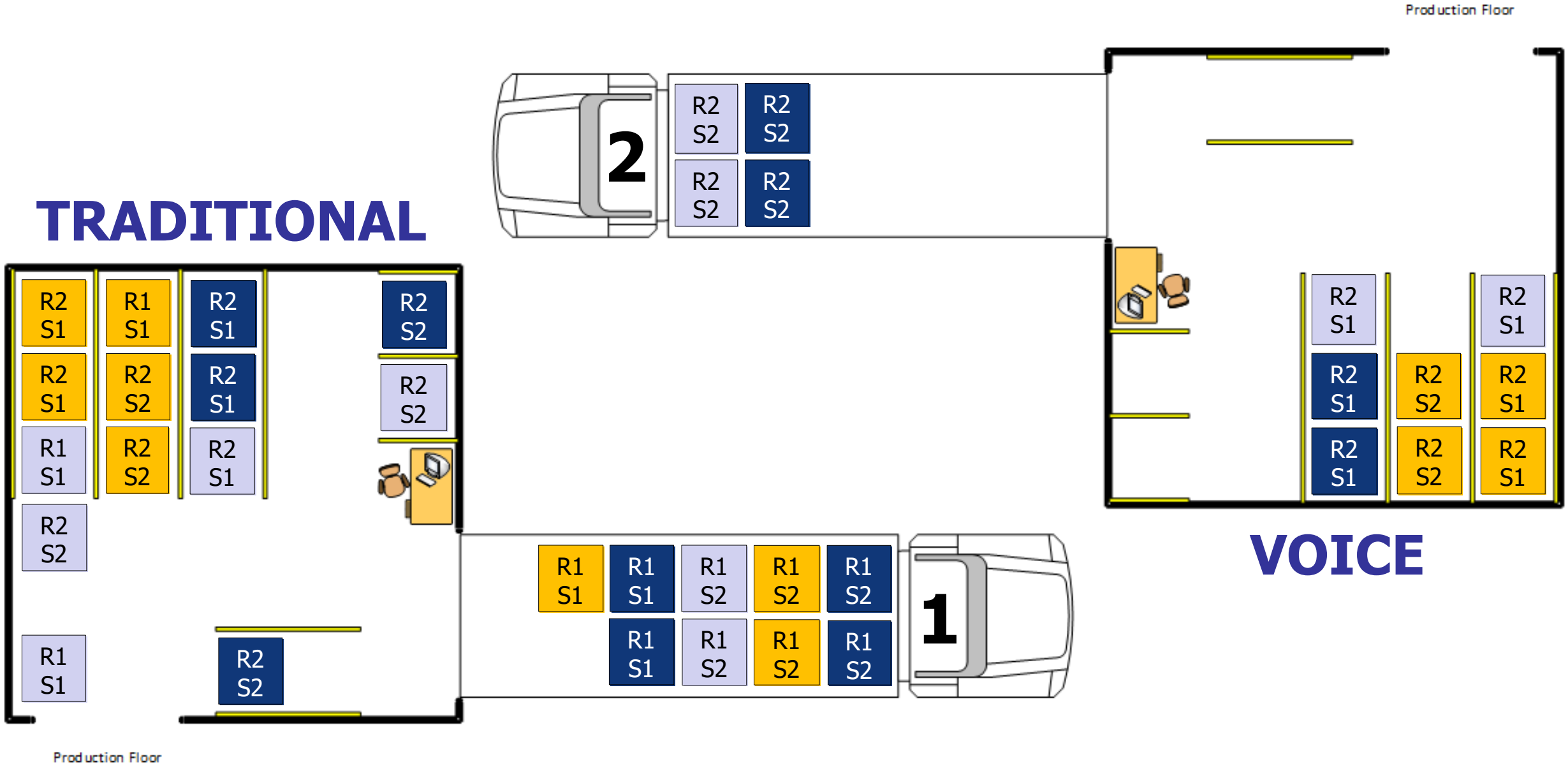
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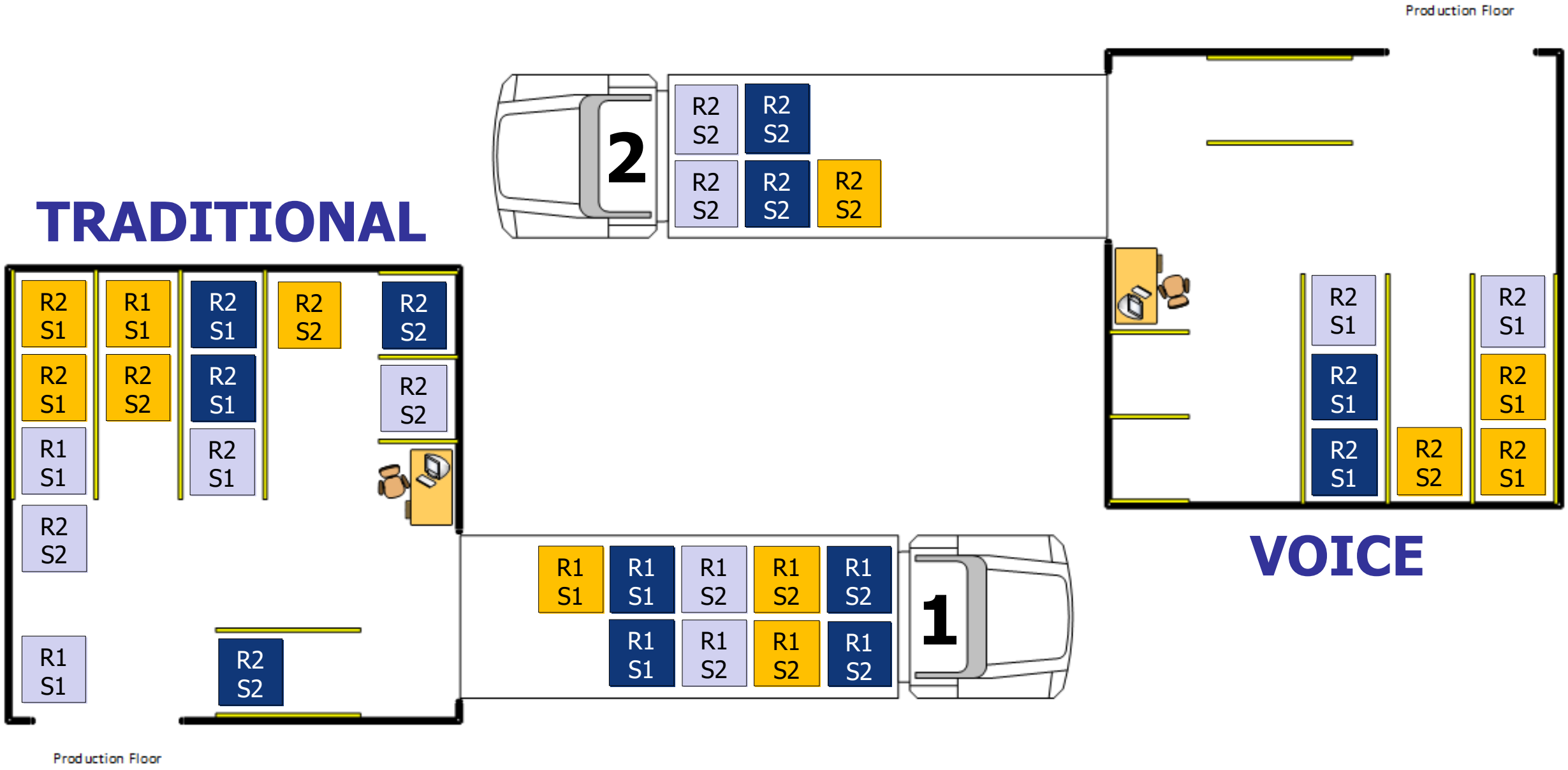
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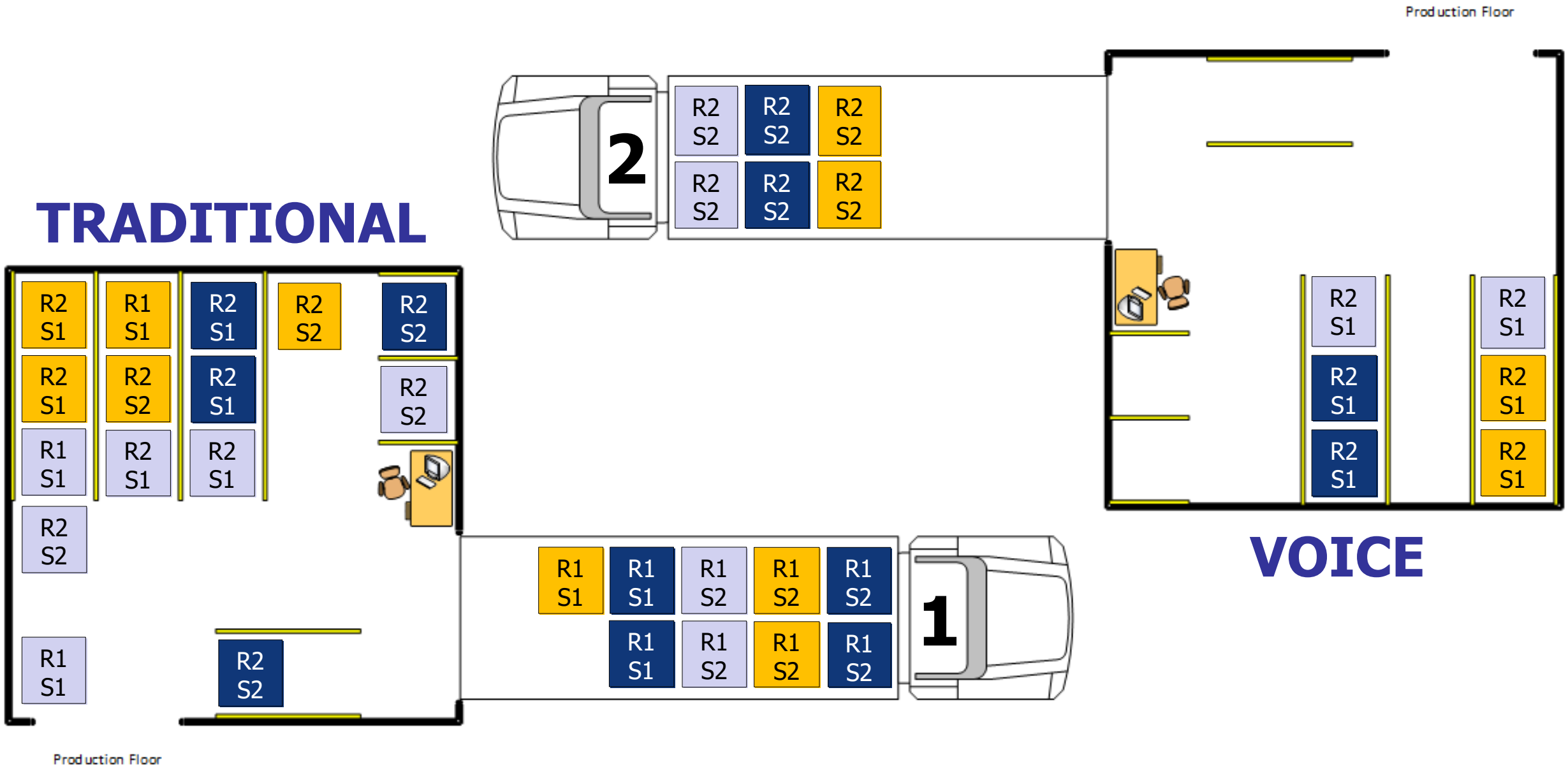
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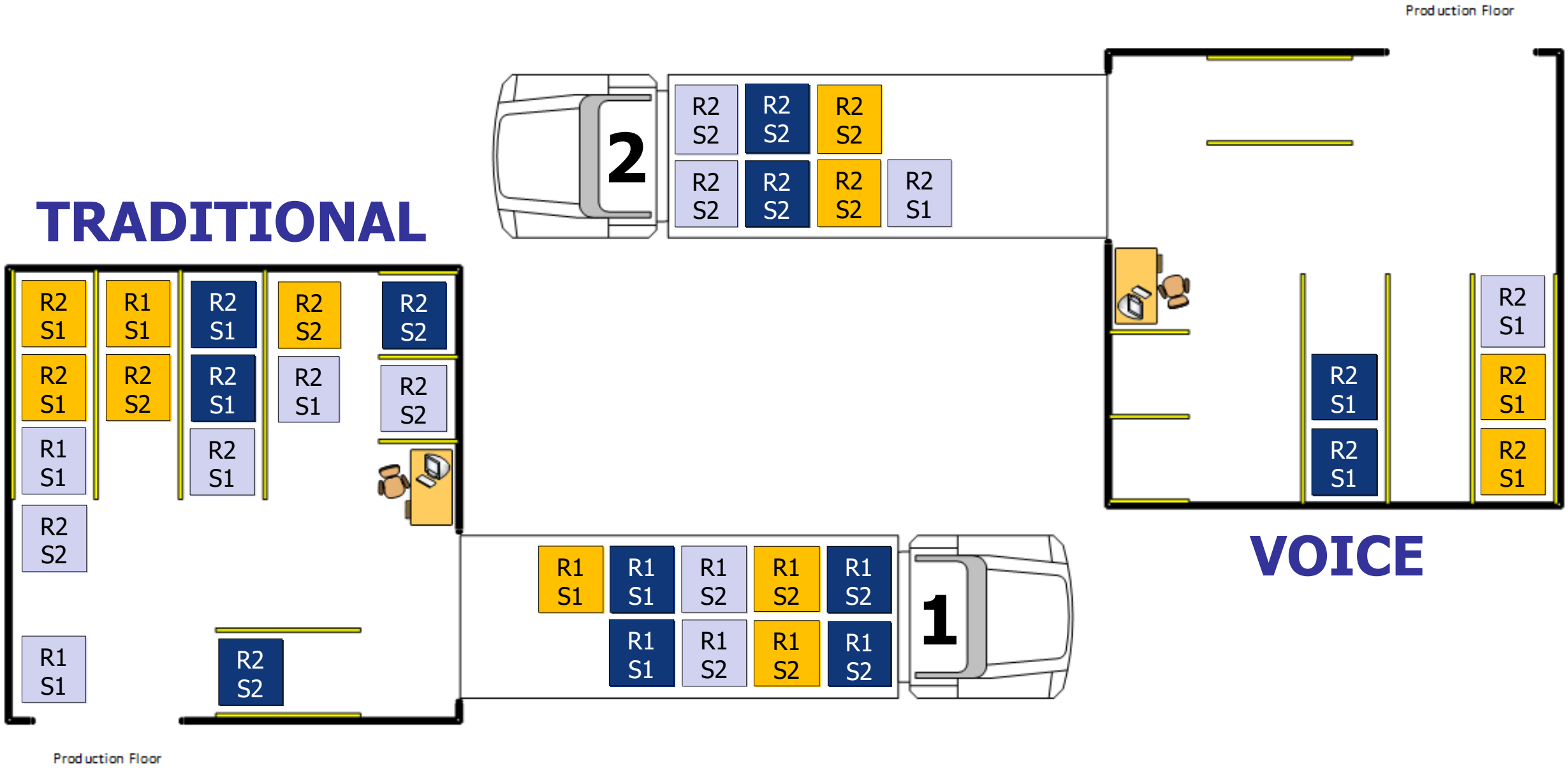
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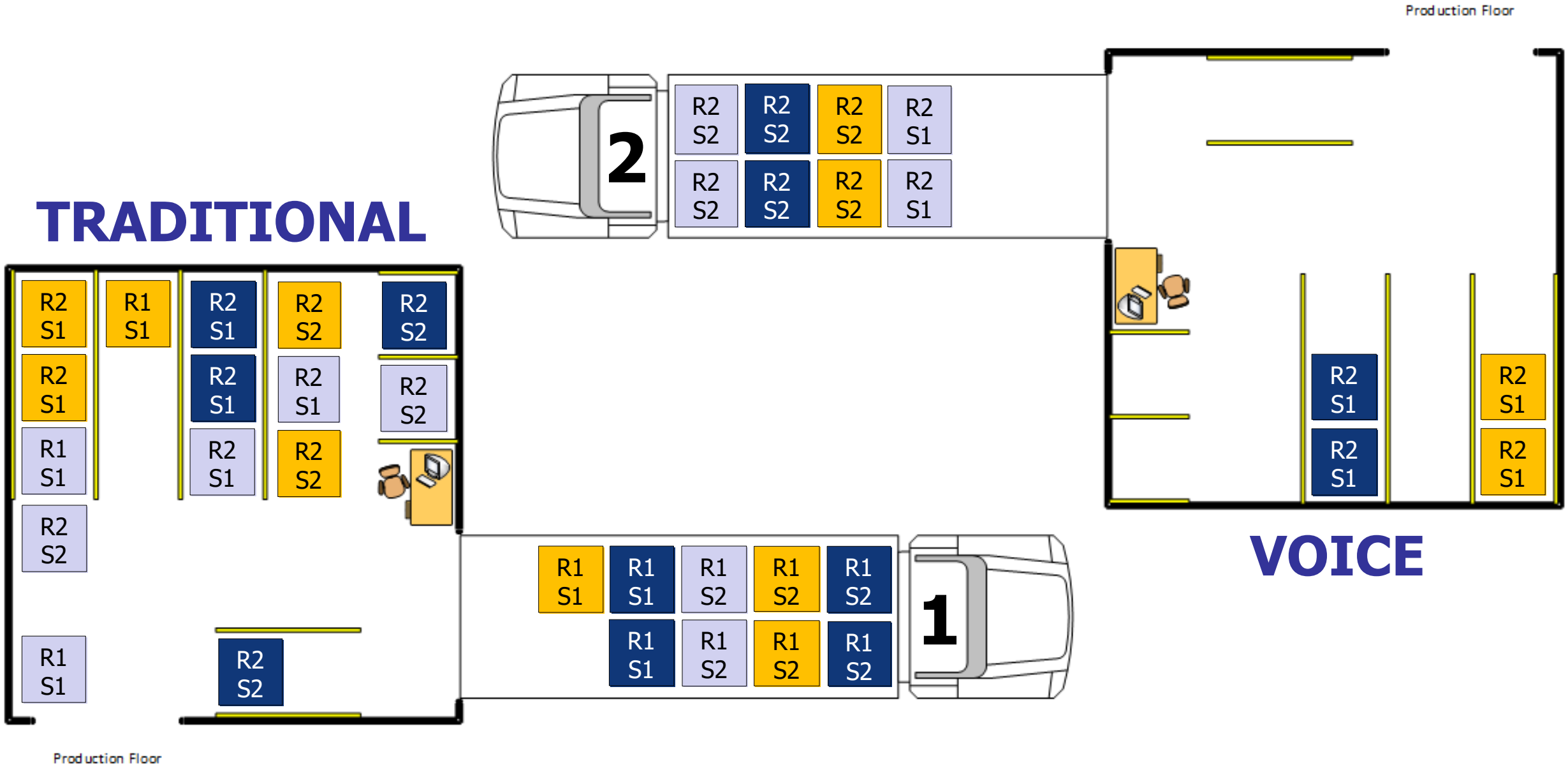
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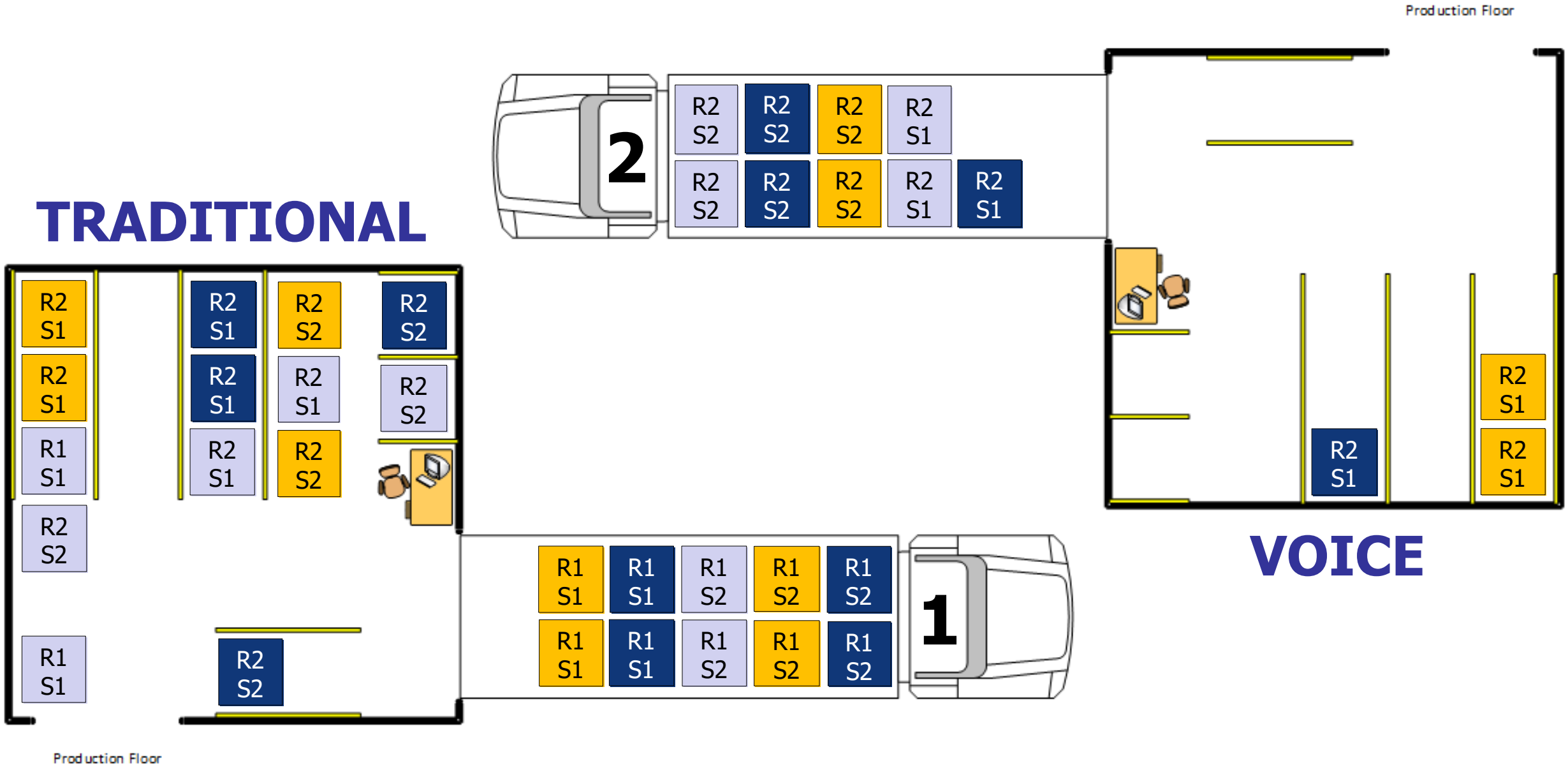
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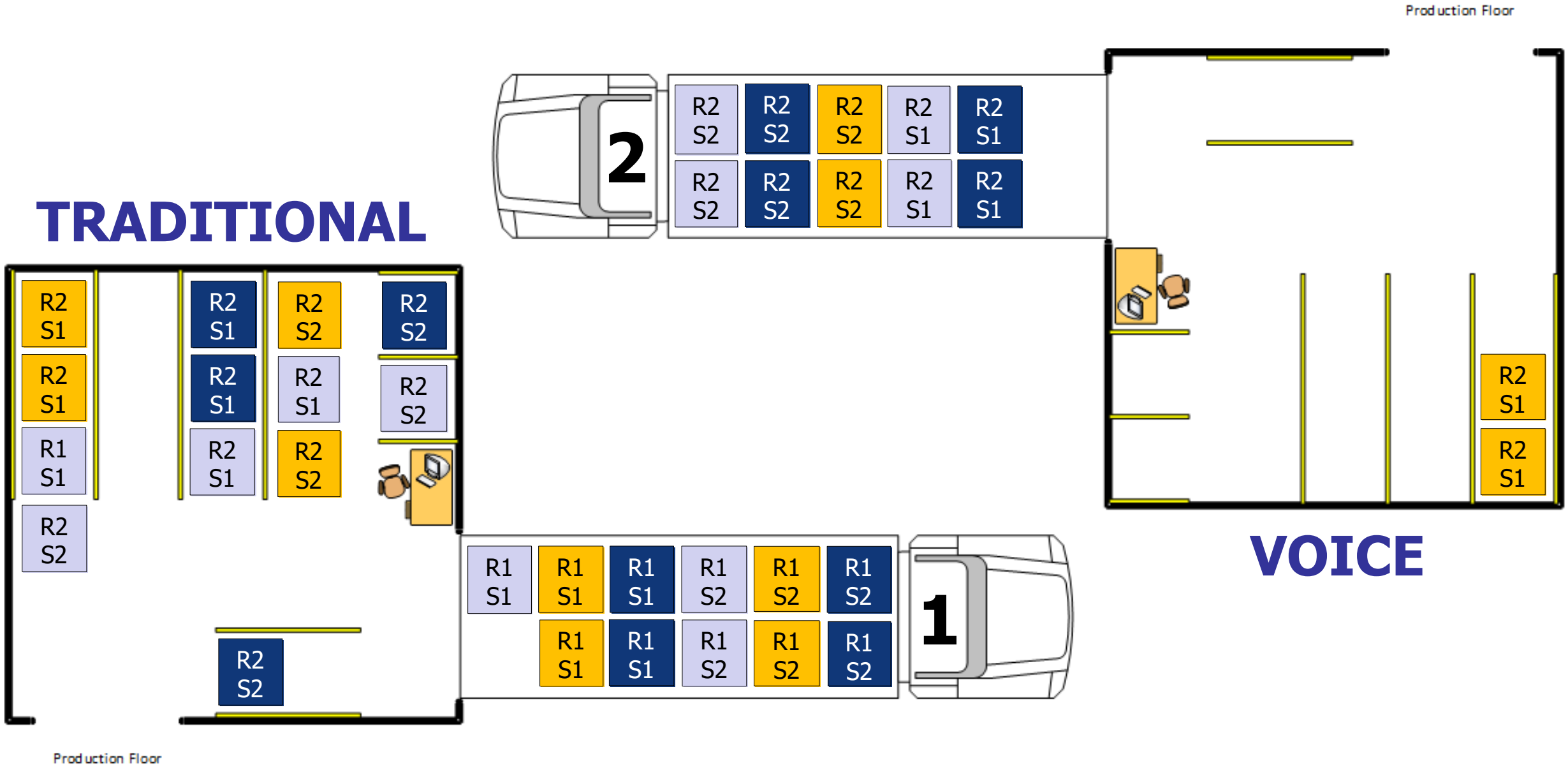
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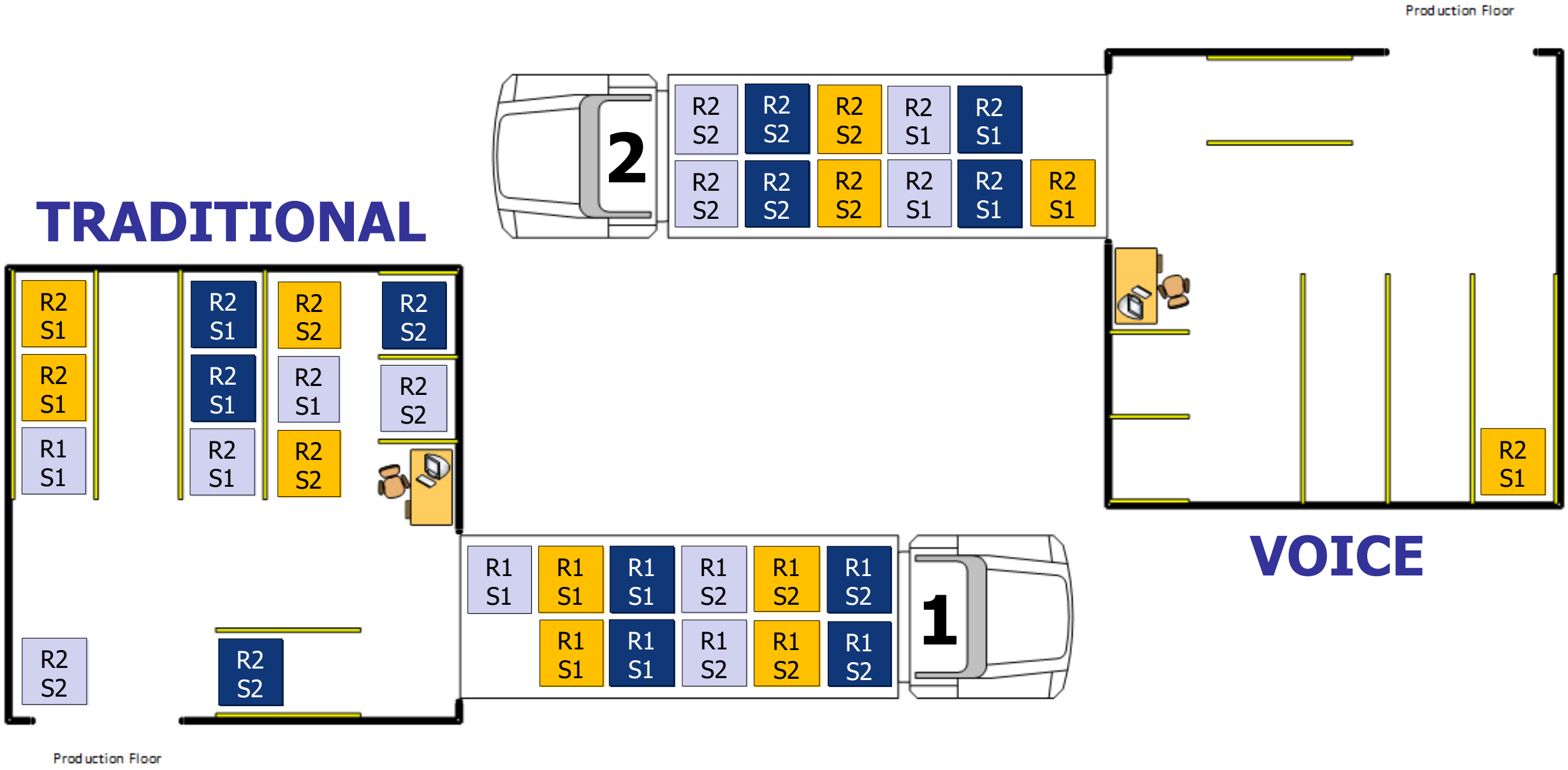
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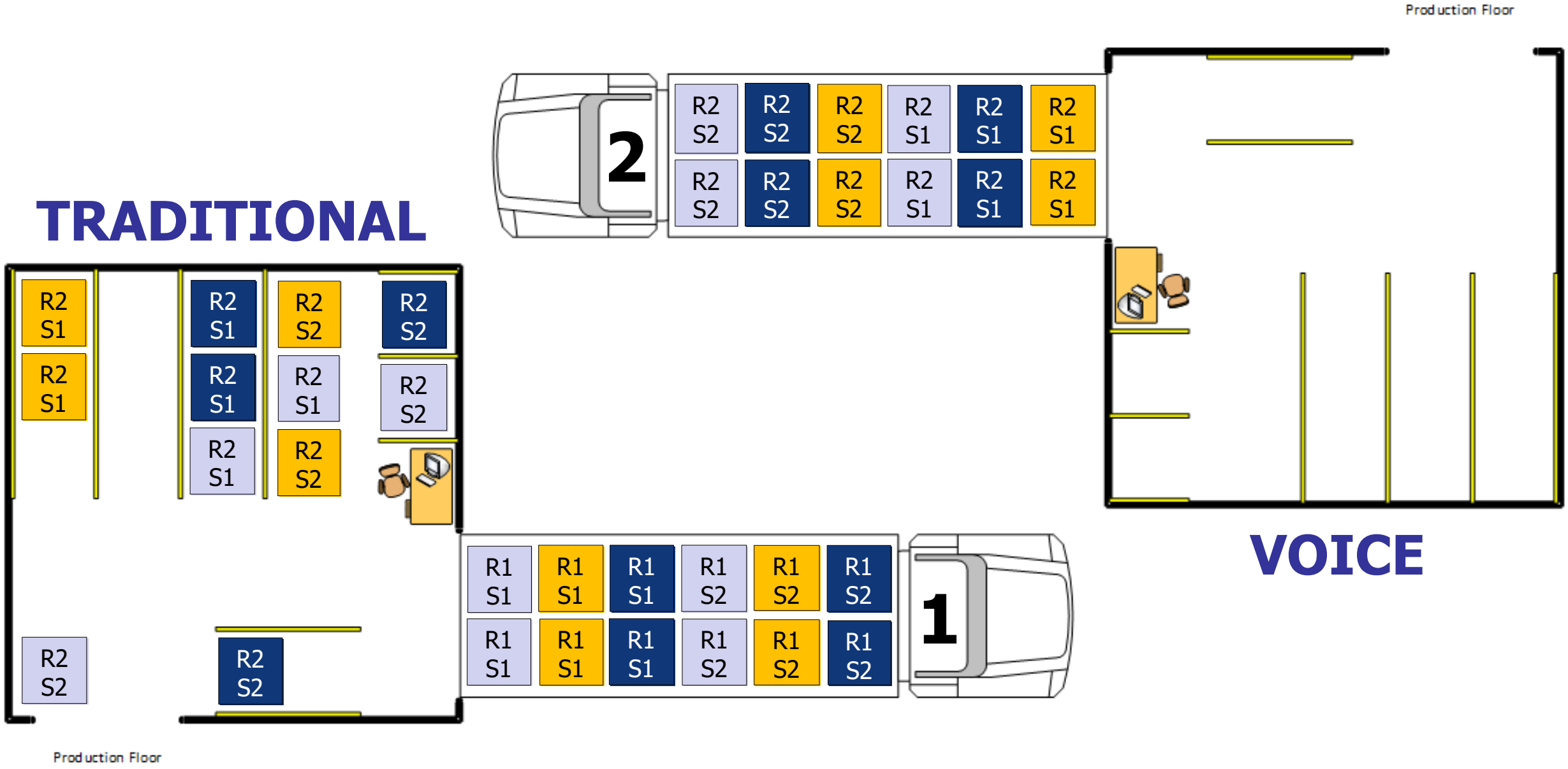
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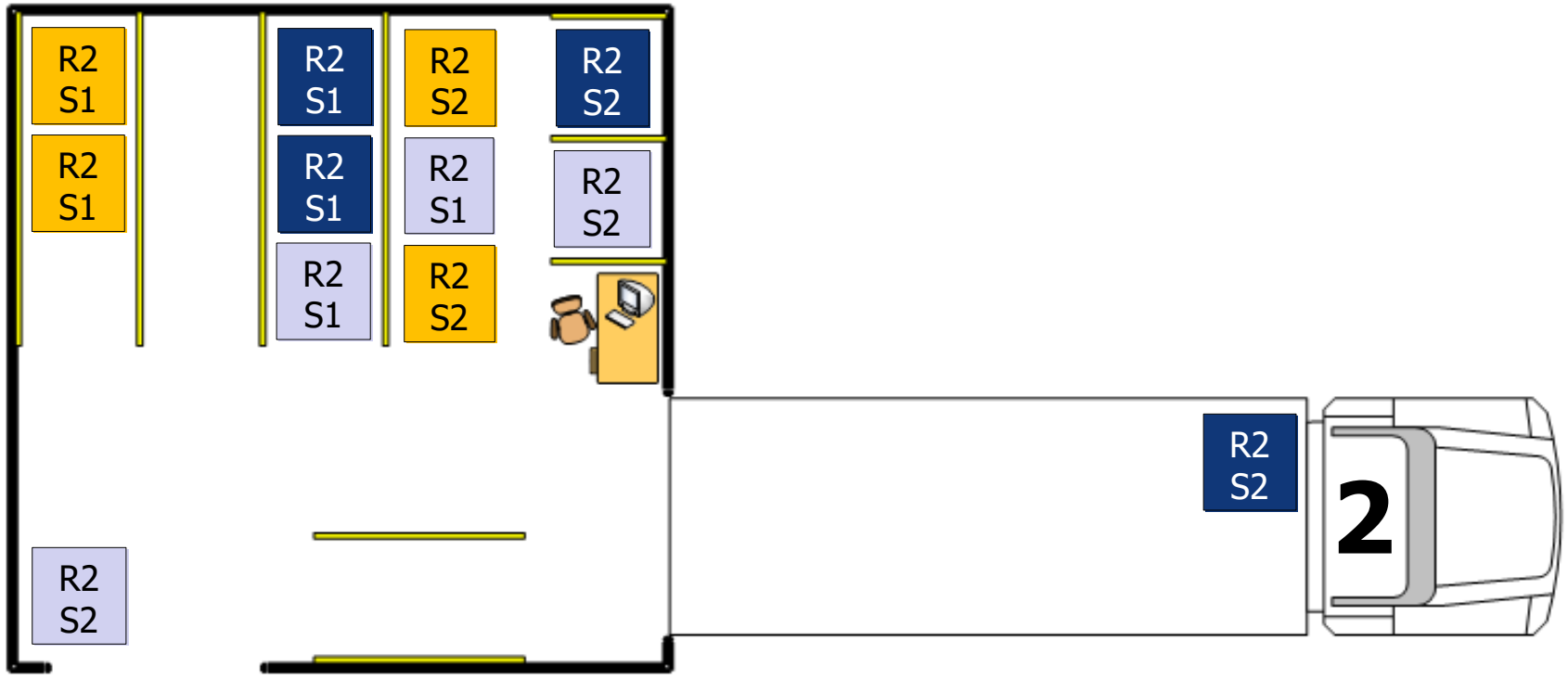

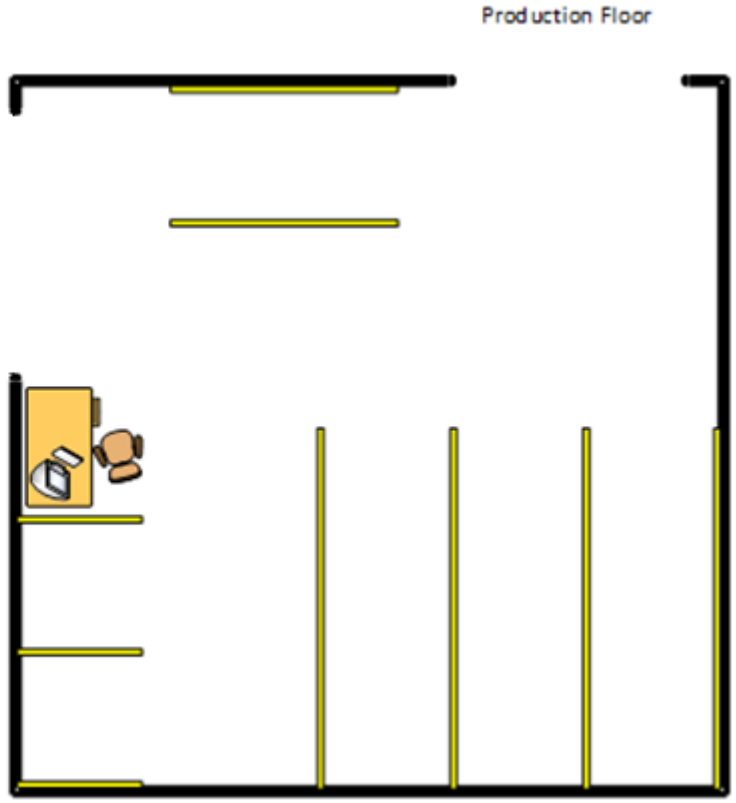

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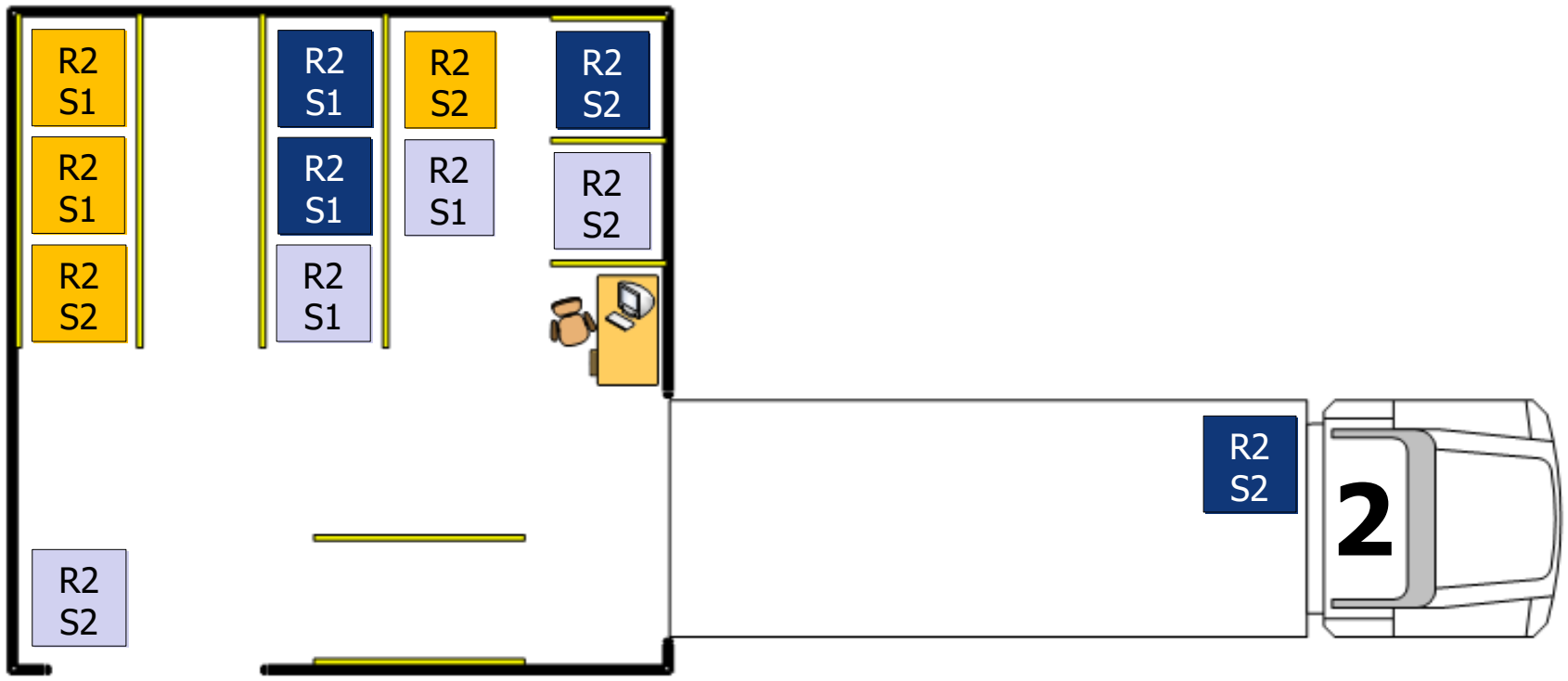

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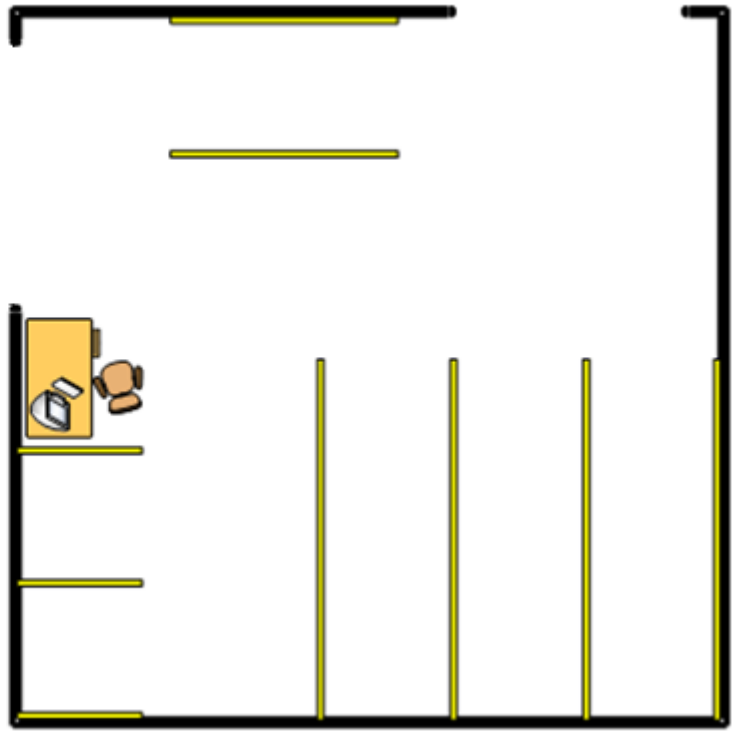

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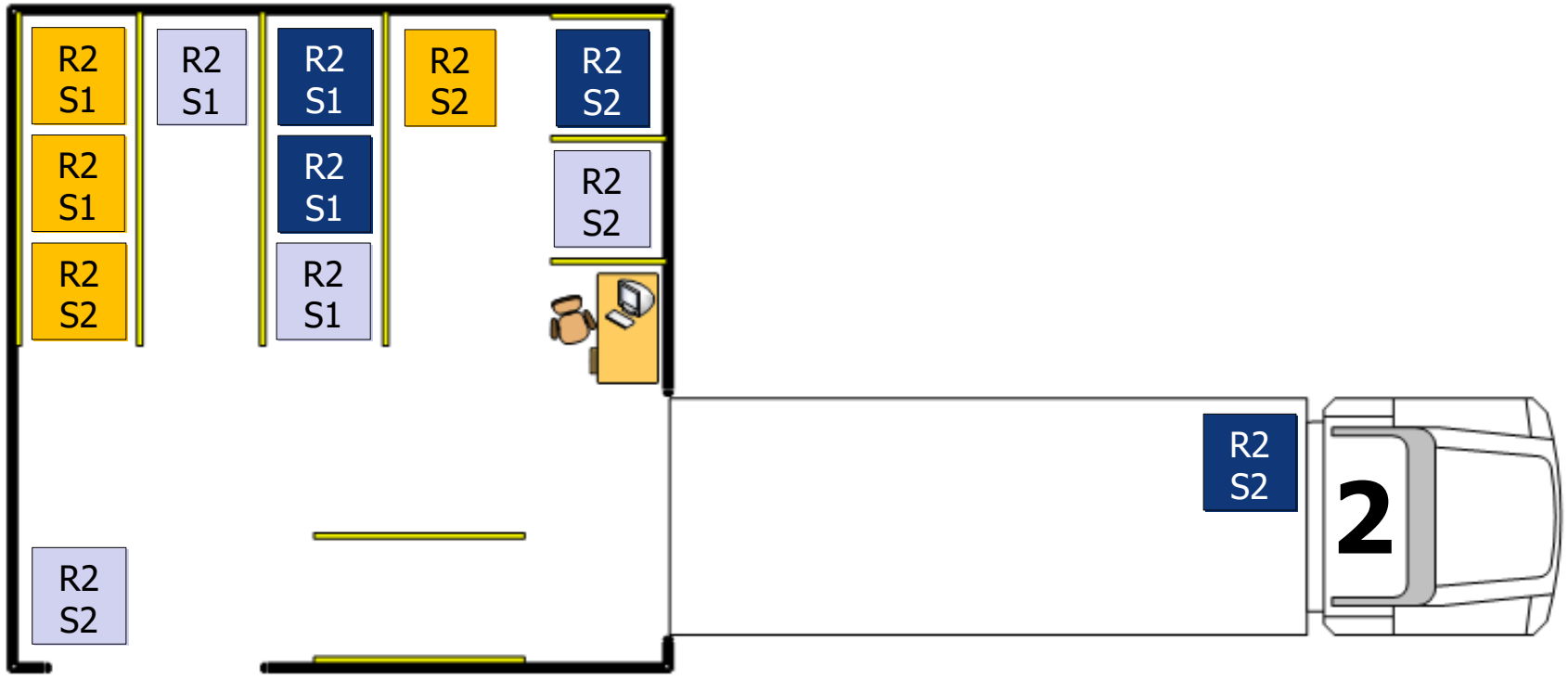

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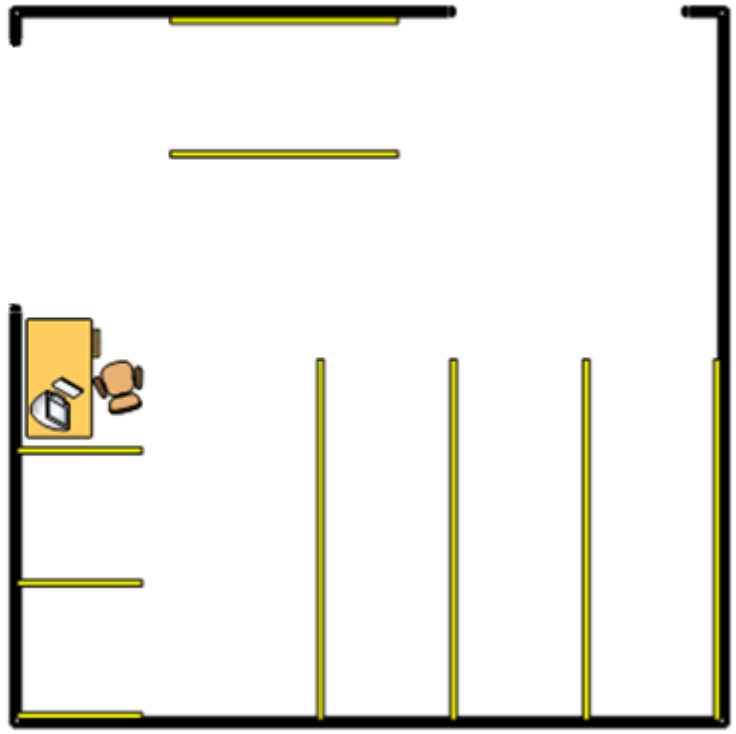

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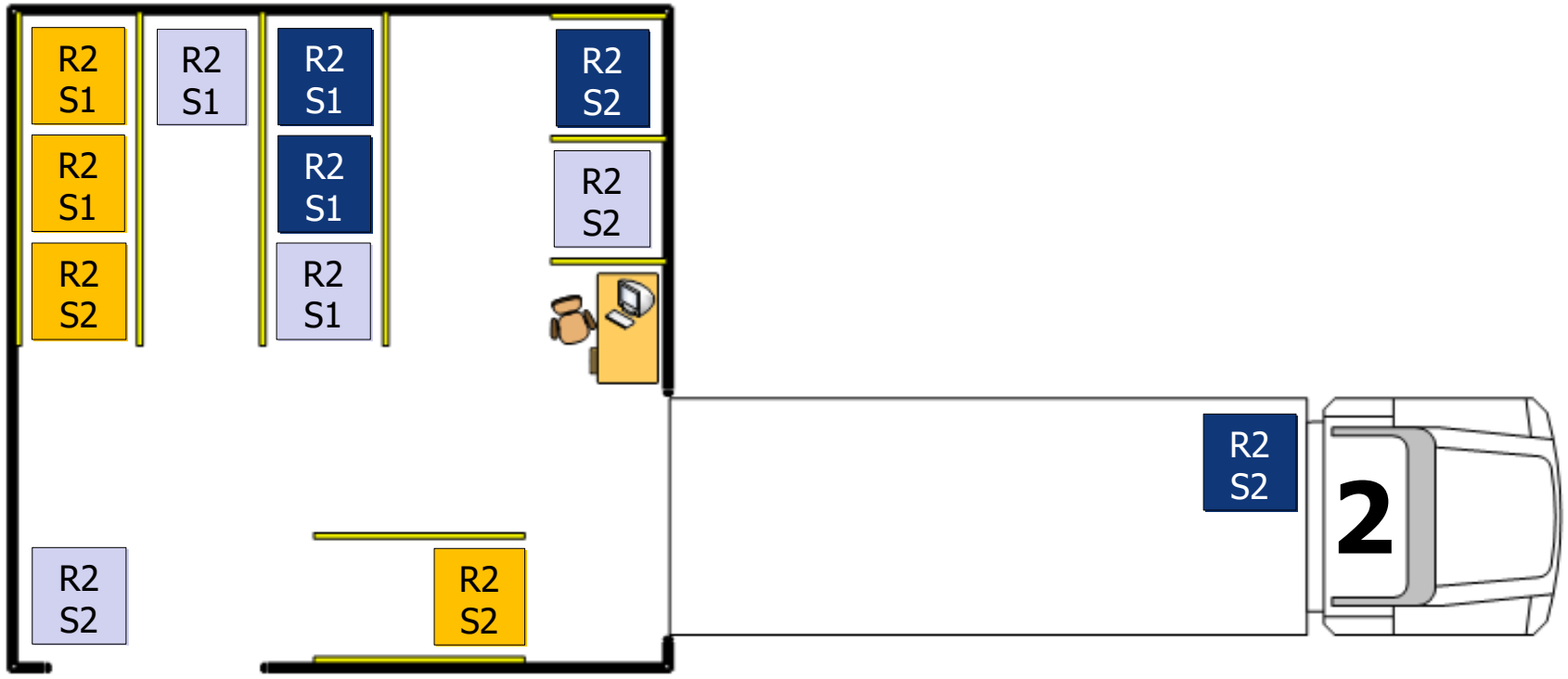

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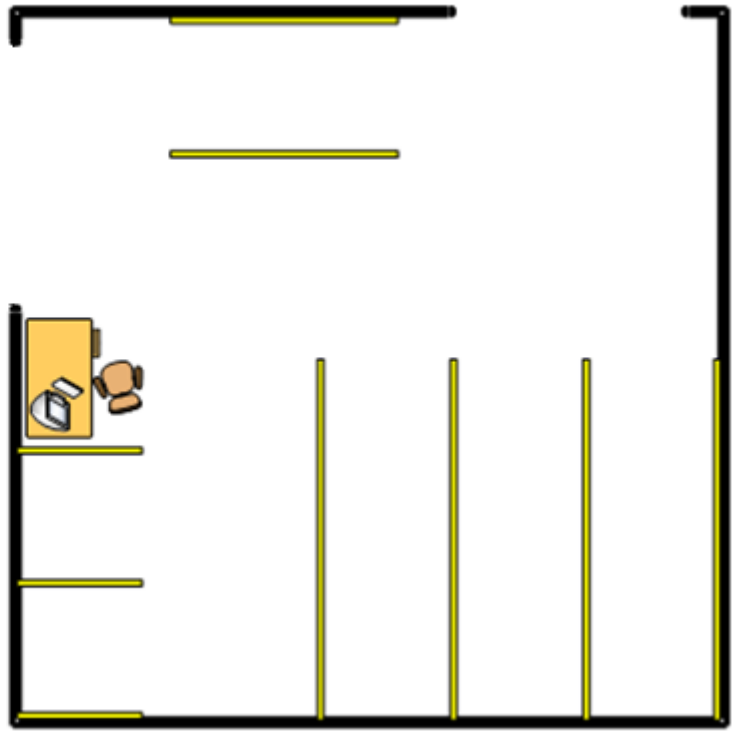

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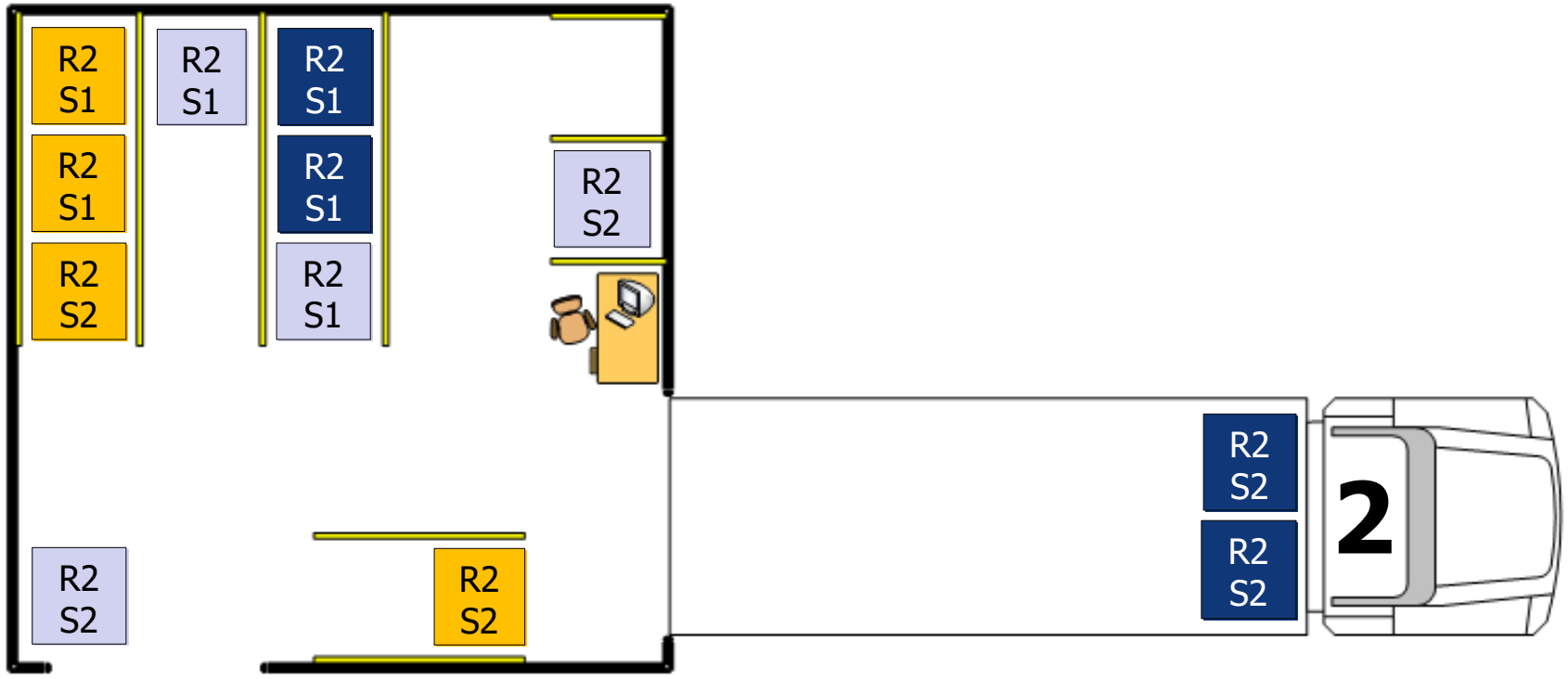

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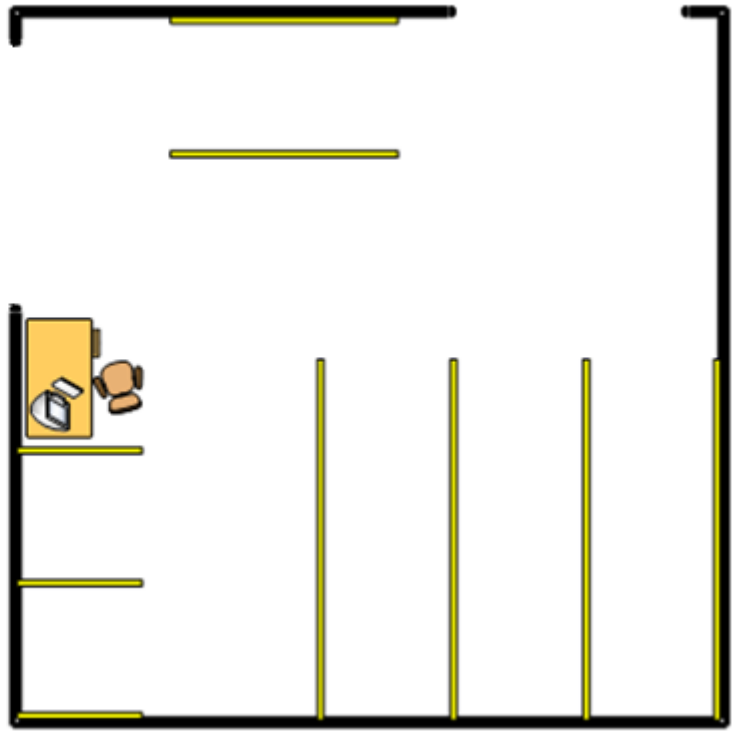

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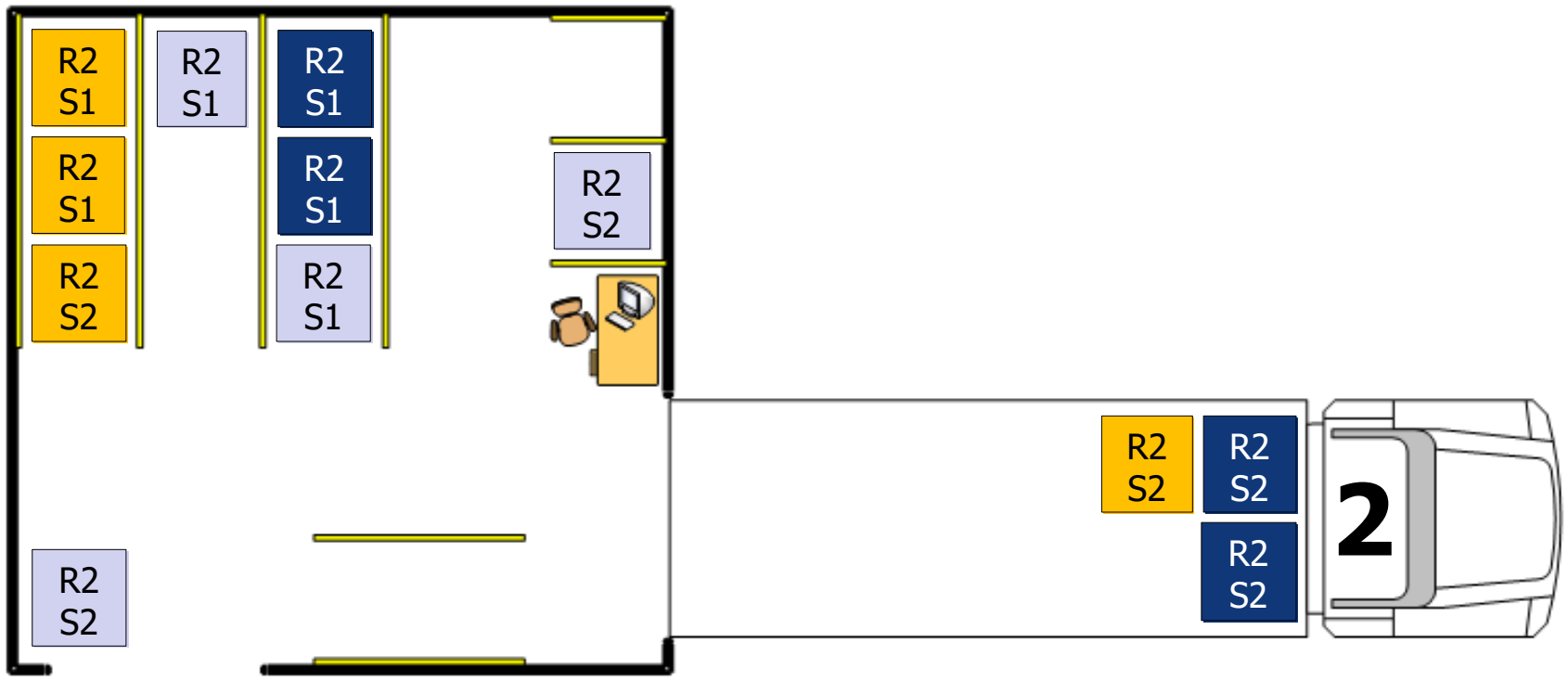

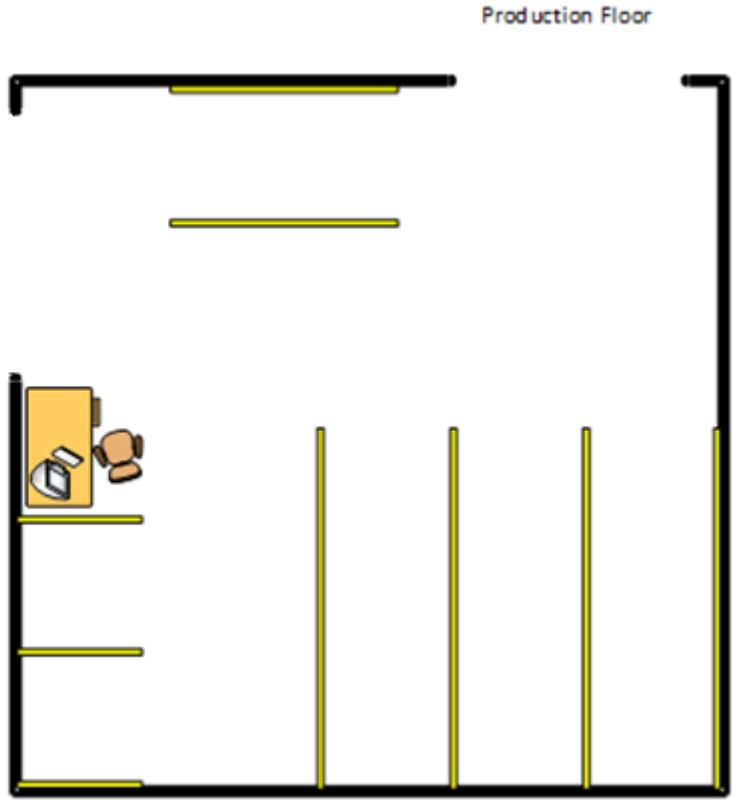

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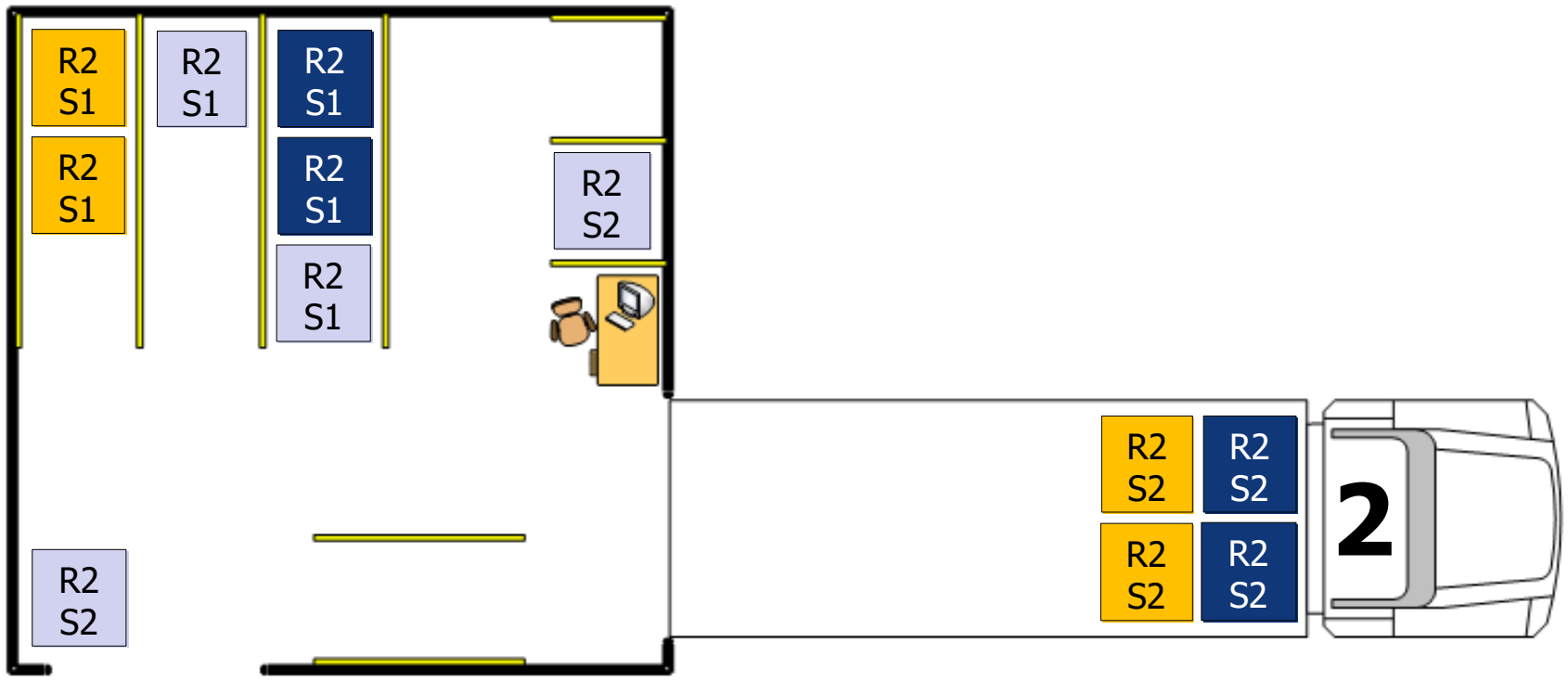

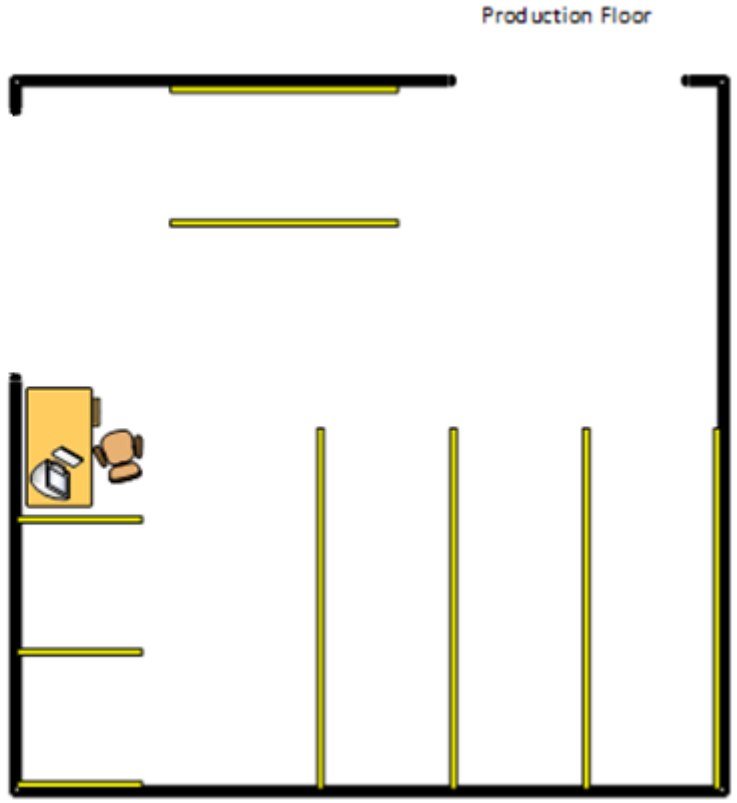

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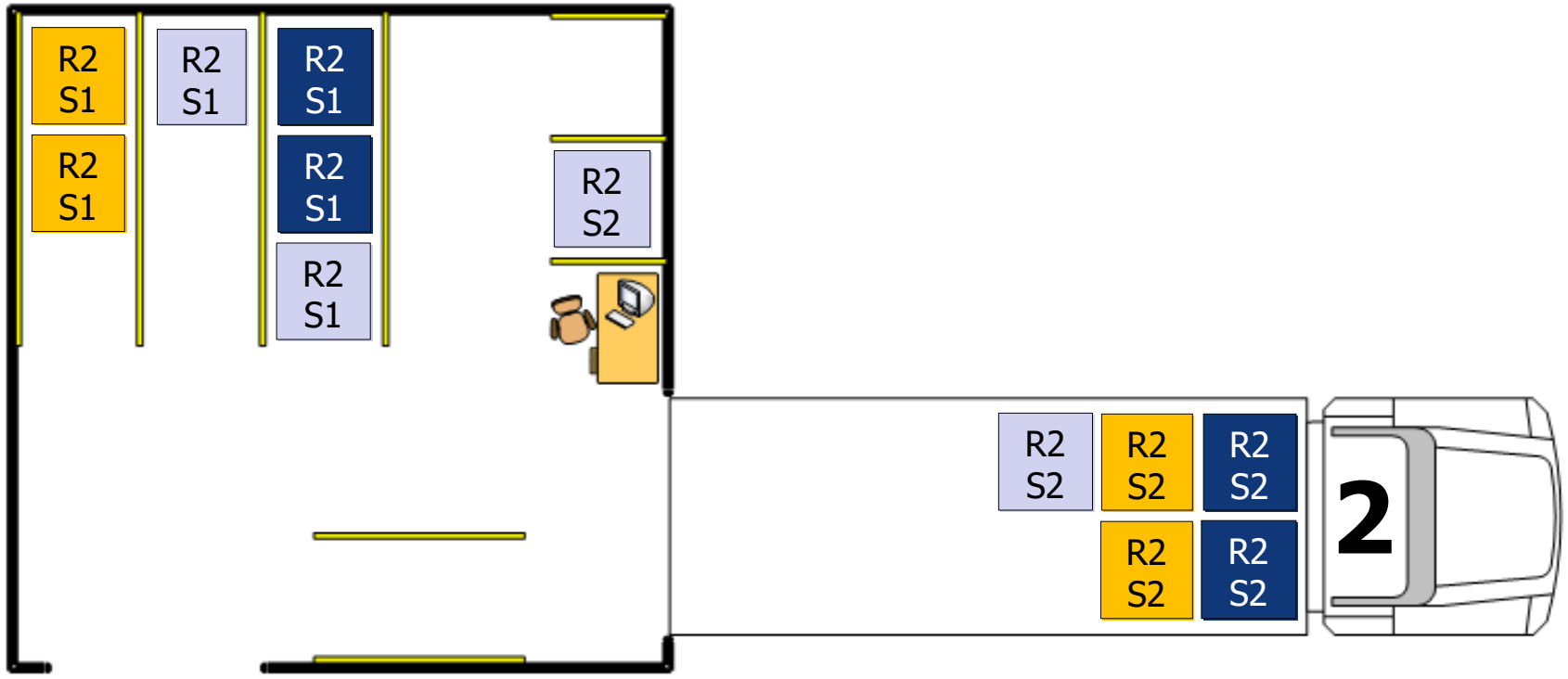

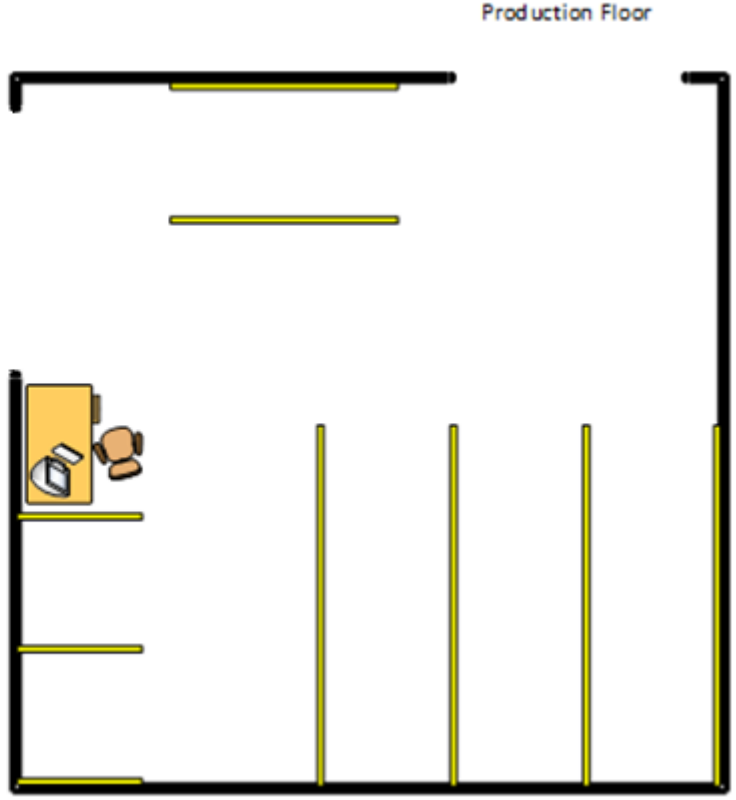

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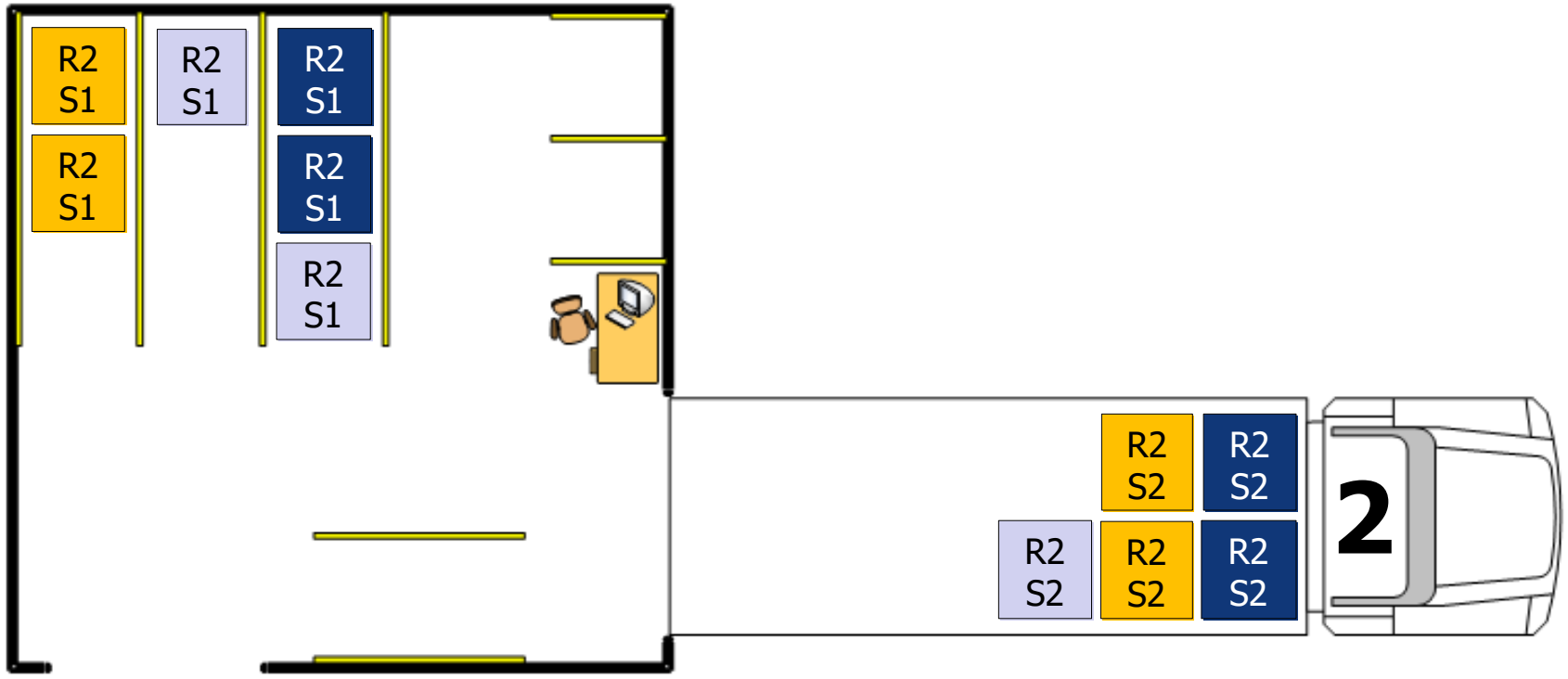

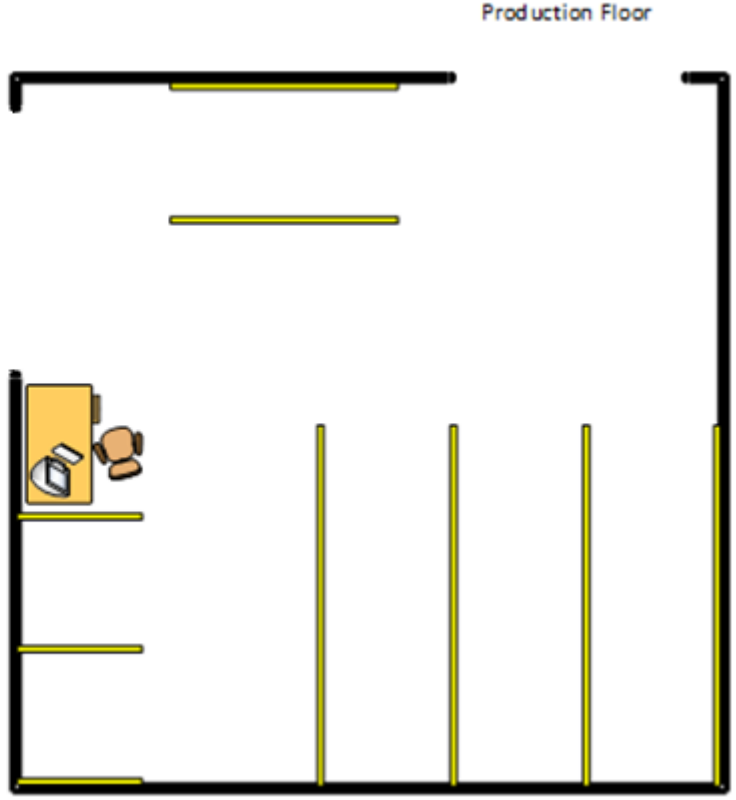

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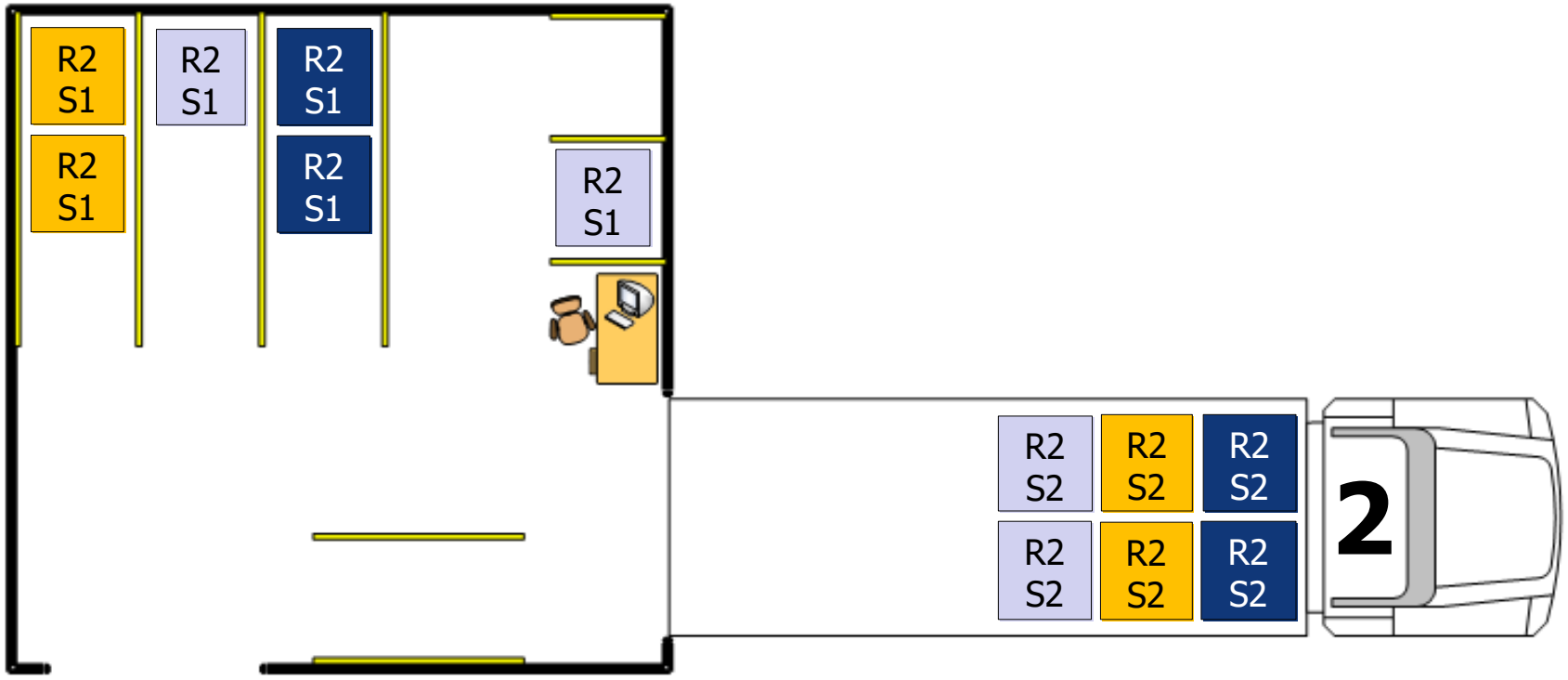

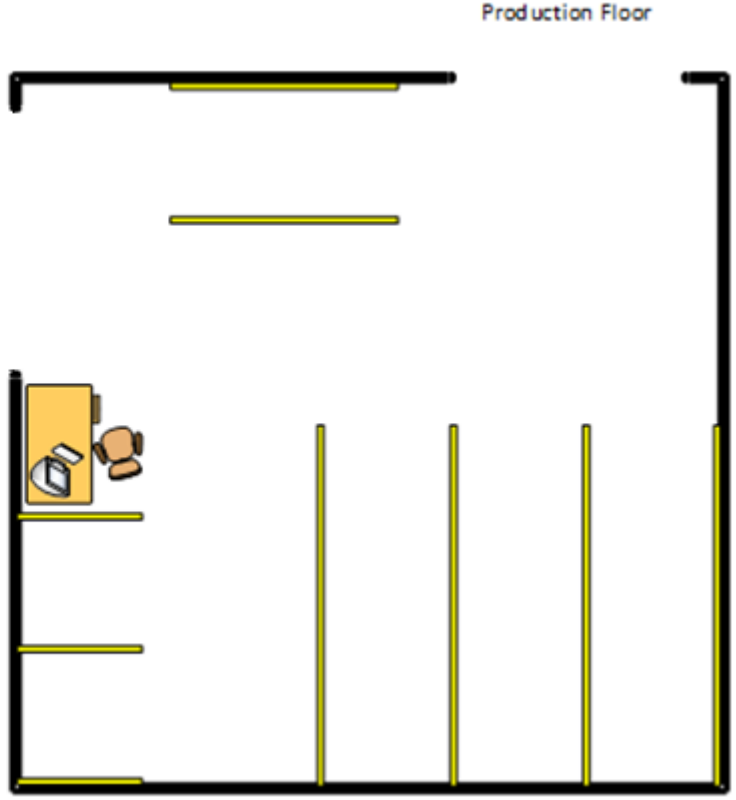

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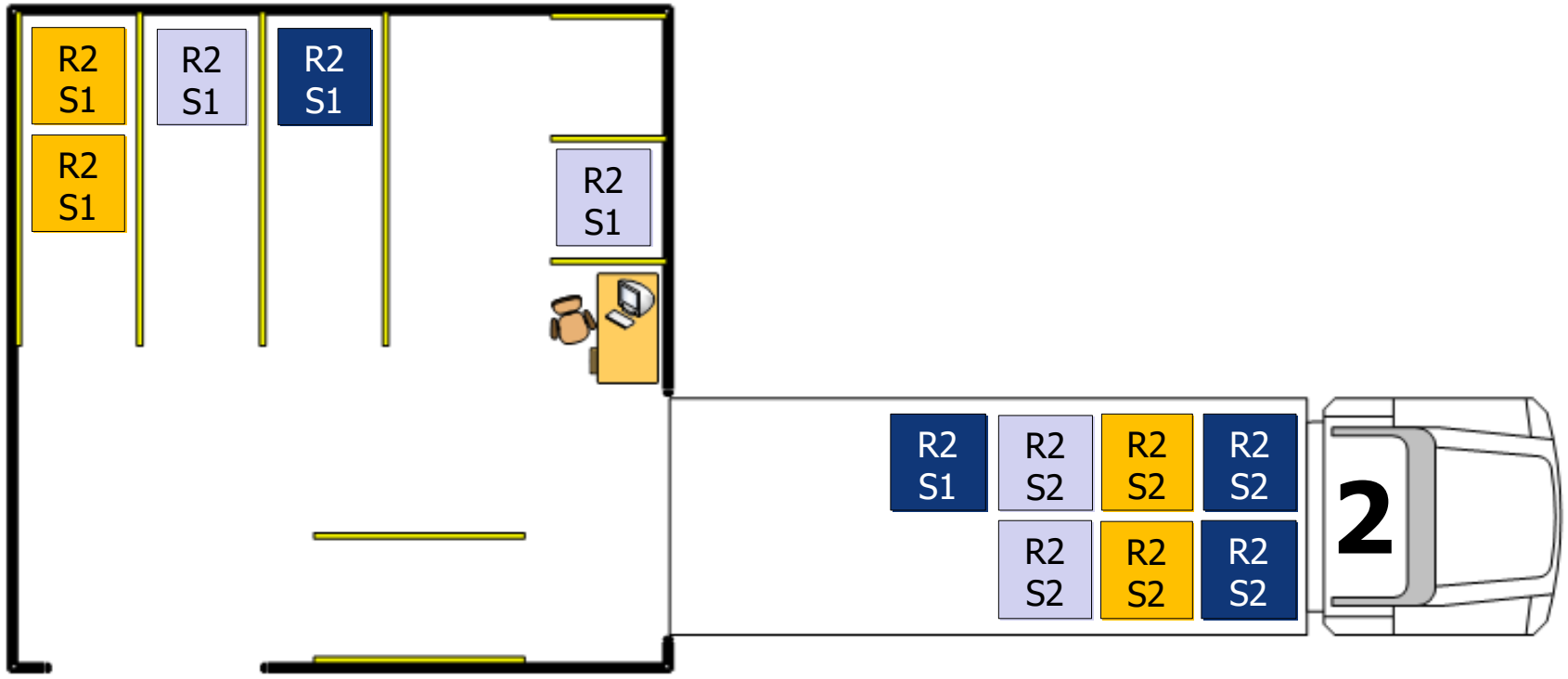

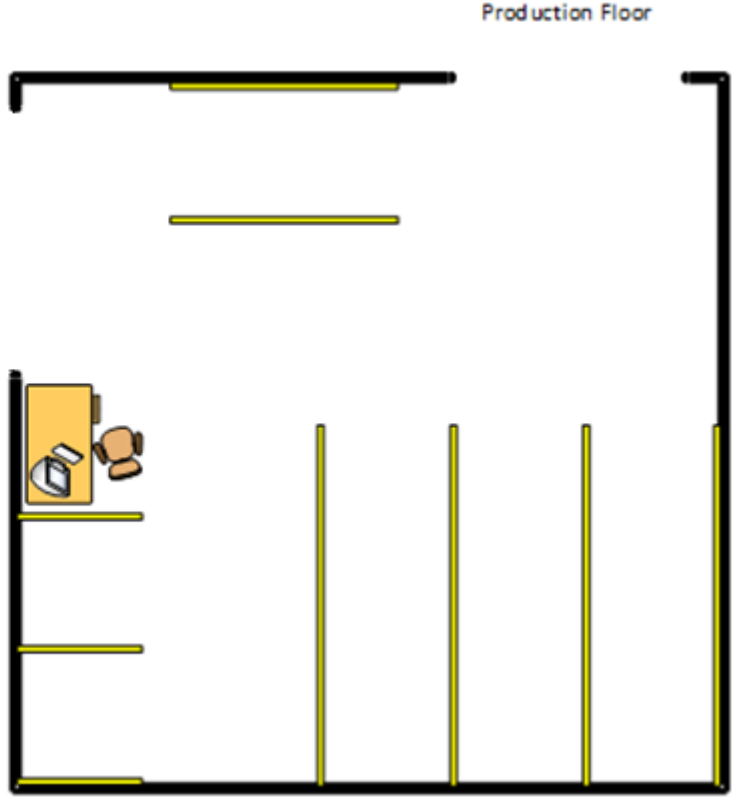

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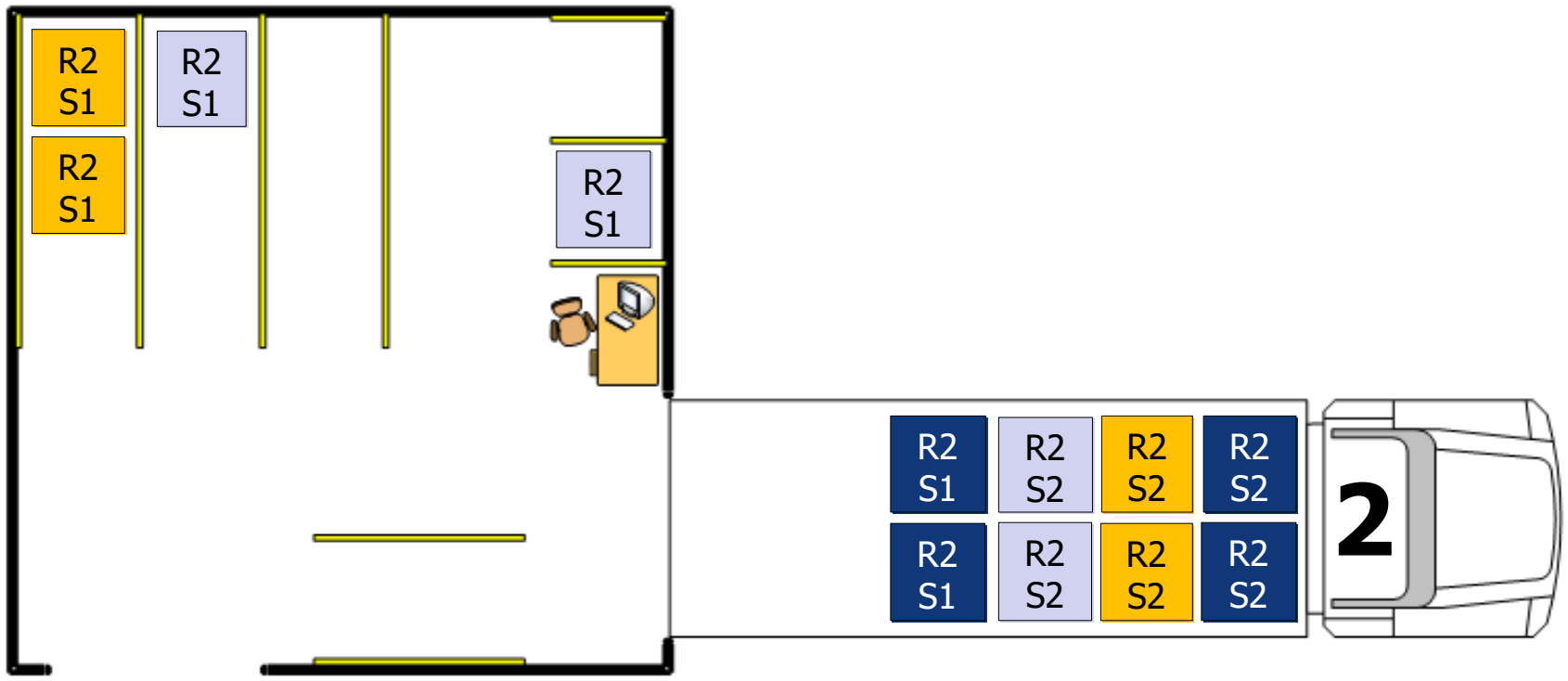

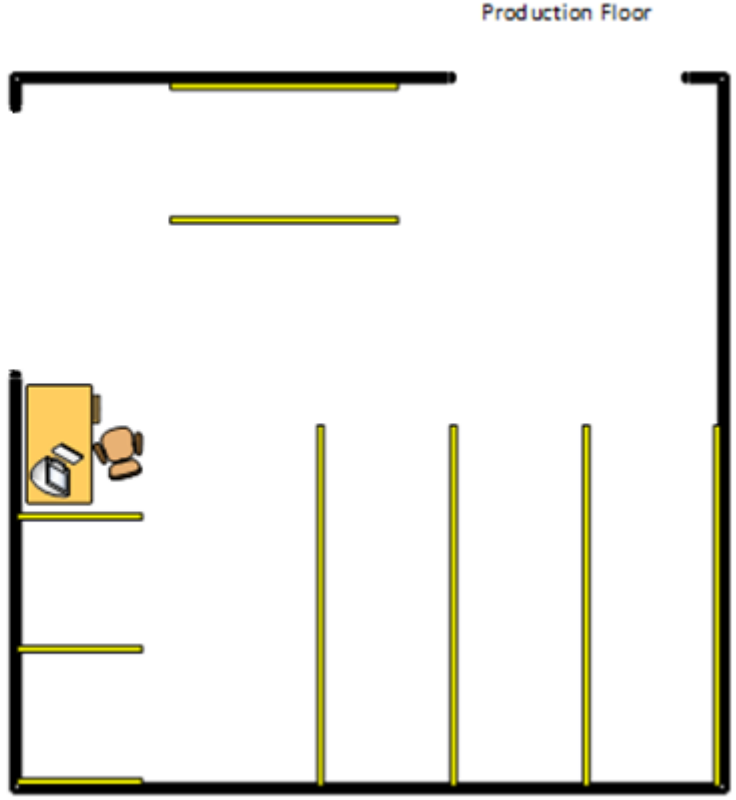

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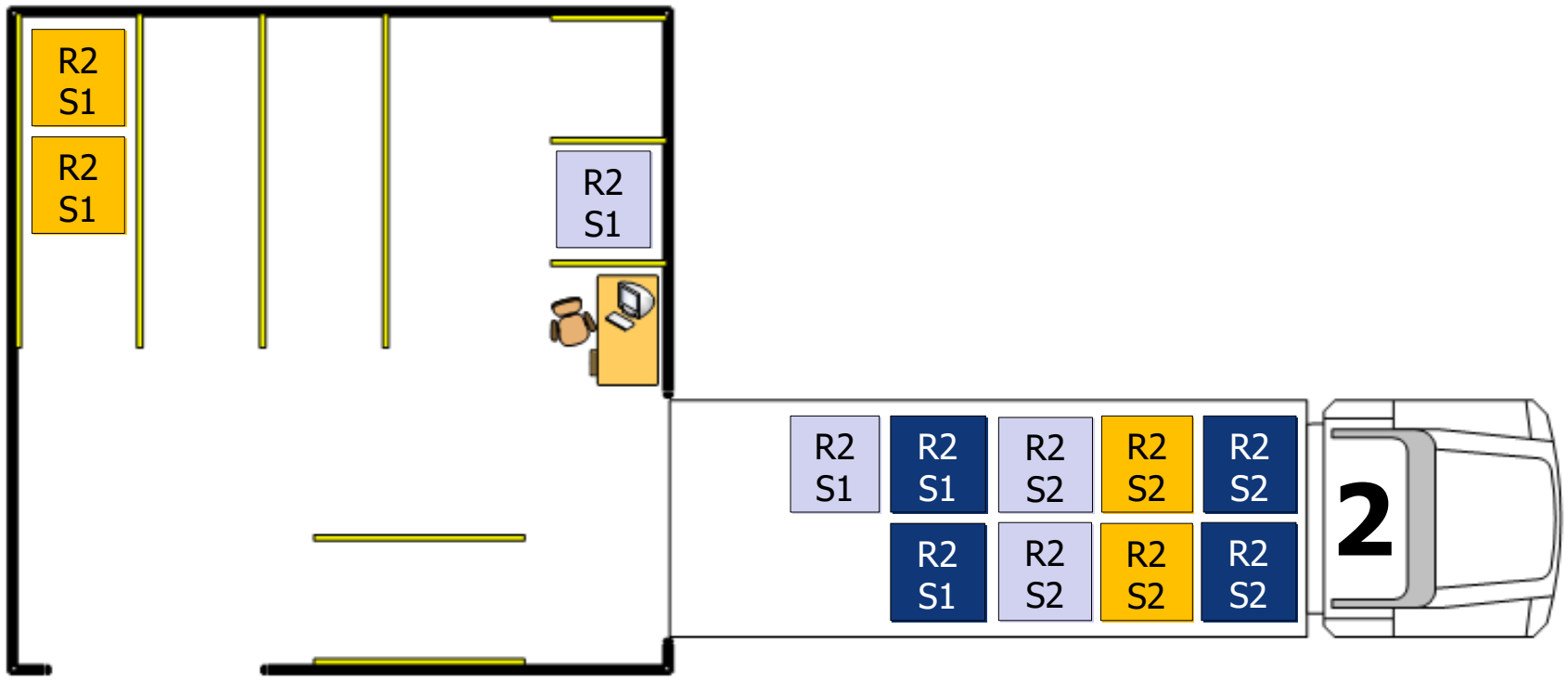

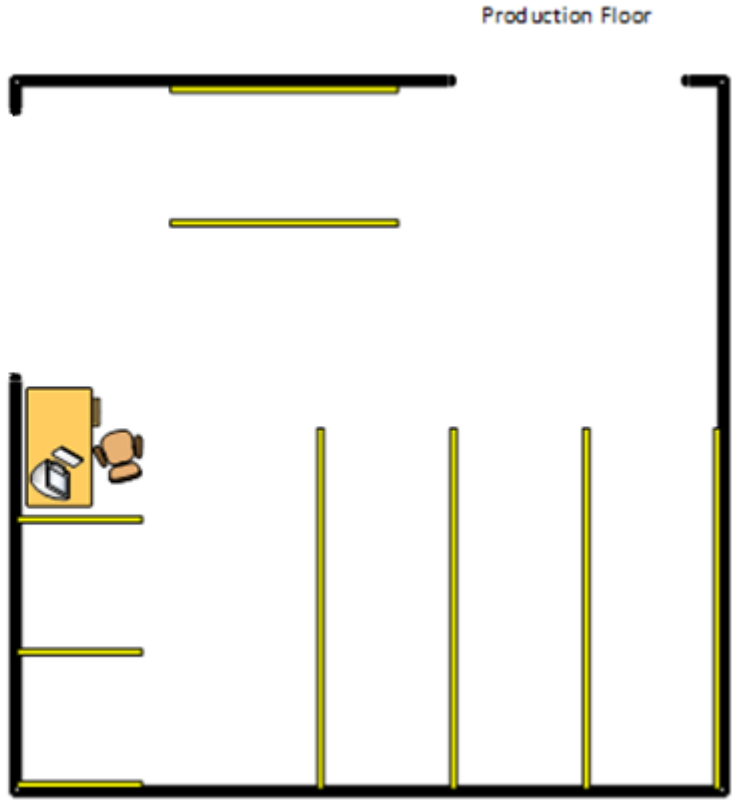

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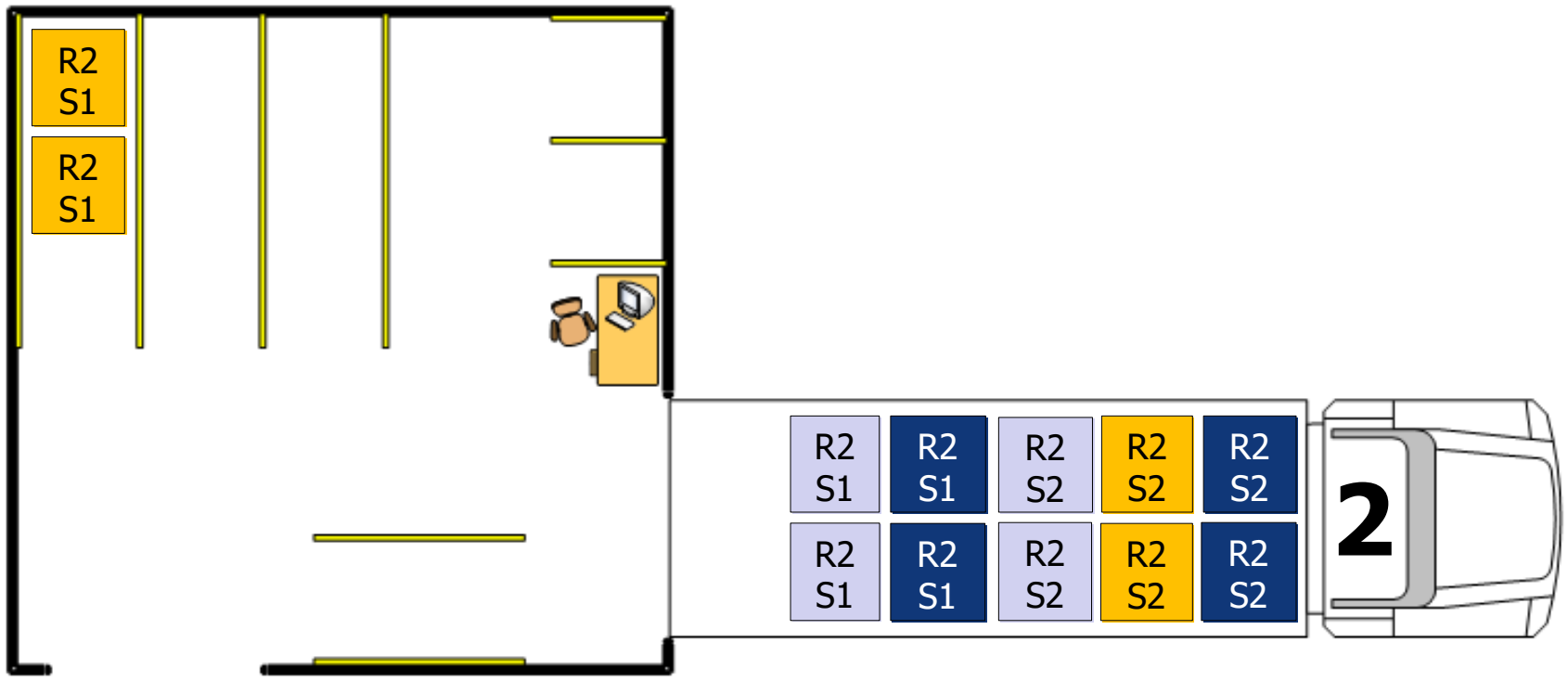

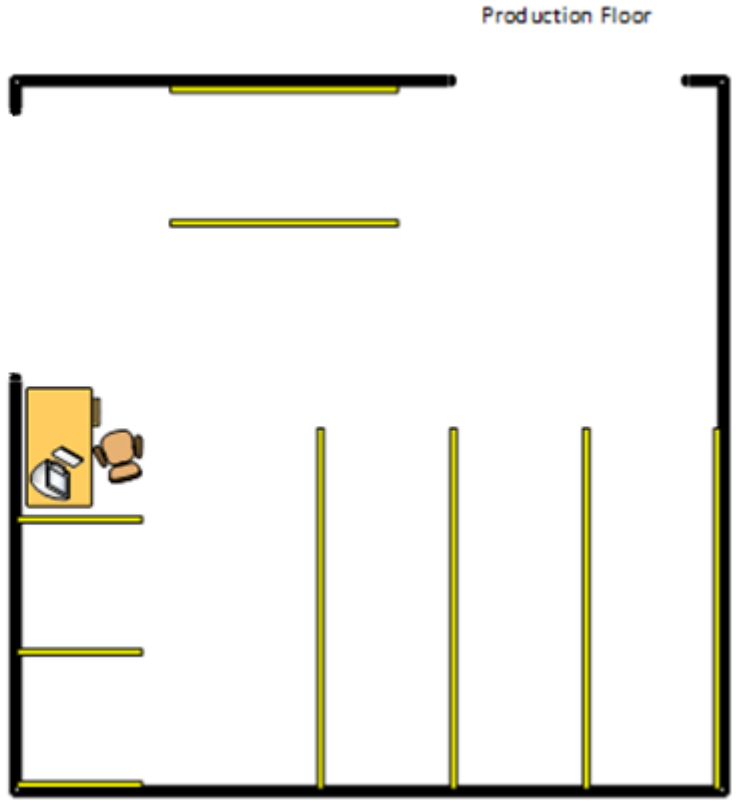

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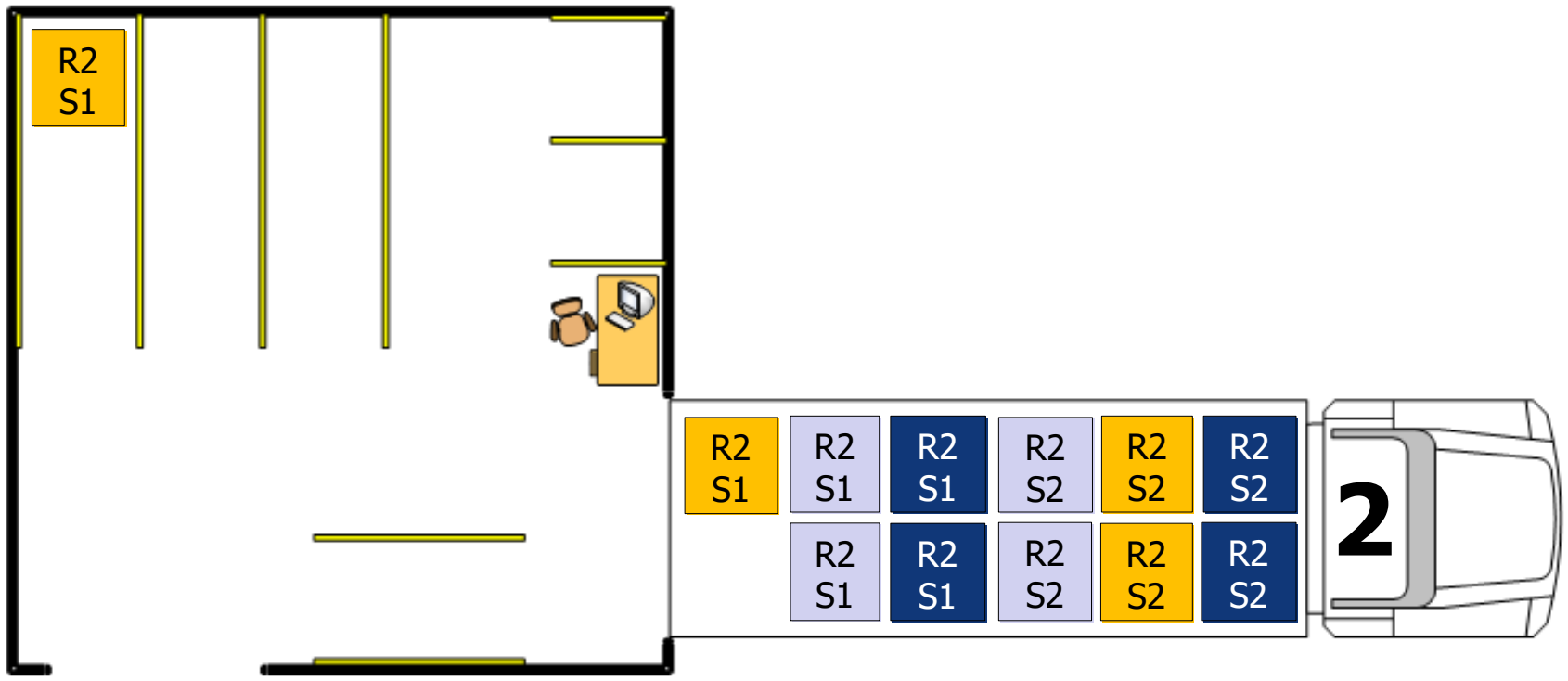

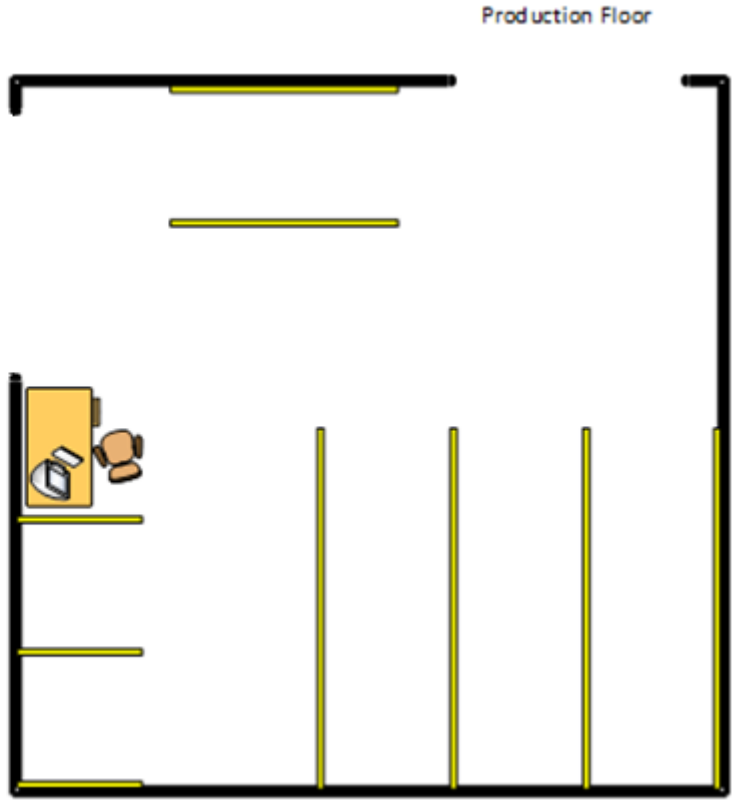

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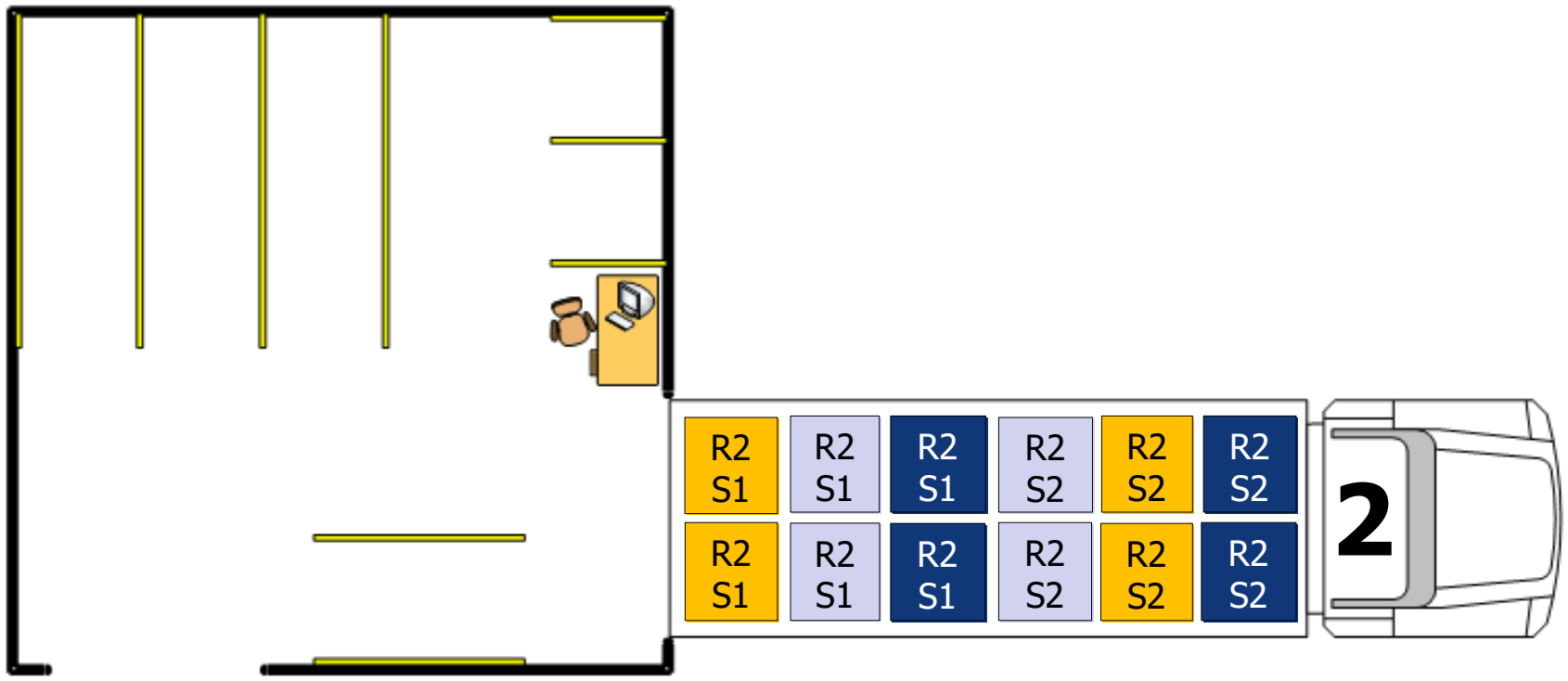

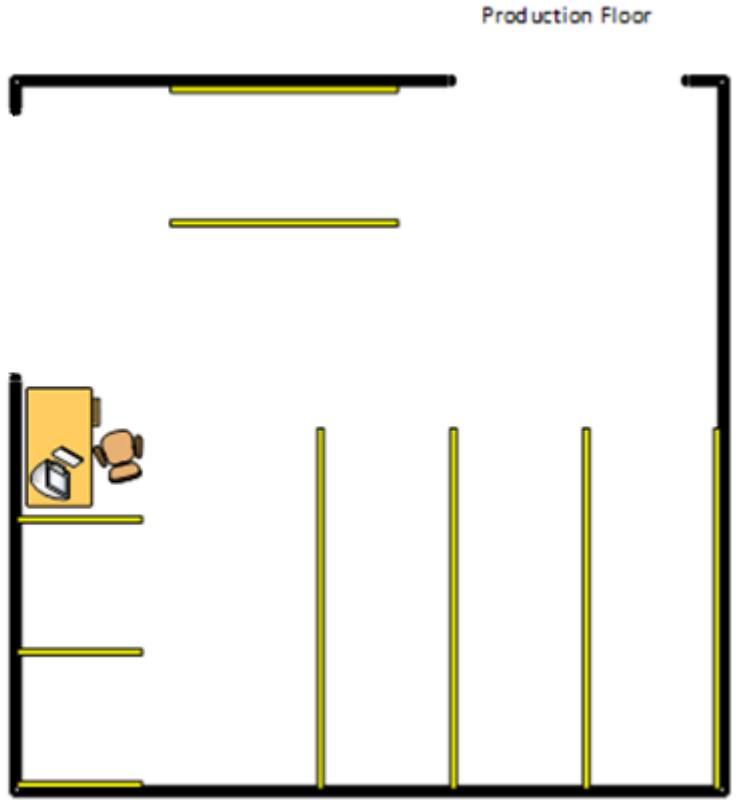

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The Benefits of Voice Smart Sequencing

	Traditional	Optimized	Improvement
Total Moves Required	**40**	**56**	**+29%**
Total Time To Load*	**112 mins.**	**52 mins.**	**+115%**

*** Assumes 2 minutes per move**

The more complicated the scenario, the greater the savings!

How Voice Optimizes Pallet Staging and Loading

1. **Intakes Production Schedules & Customer Orders**
2. **Pre-allocates Pallet Staging Positions by:**
   - **Similar Route and Stop to Mitigate Blockage**
   - **Proximity to Loading Dock to Minimize Truck Loader Travel Time**

How Voice Optimizes Pallet Staging and Loading

3. **Supports Virtual Staging Positions**
4. **Proactively Prompts for Pallet Moves to Prevent Blockage**
5. **Tracks Operator-directed Pallet Moves**
6. **Supports Substitute LPs**
7. **Directs the Staging and Loading of Pallets on Short or Long Sides**

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