### **Integrated Product Design Simulation**

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DOME (distributed object-based modeling environment)



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#### Integrated Product Design Simulation Outline

Design context Need Concept Scenario Barriers addressed Applications

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## Product Design Modeling context



Planning

Concept design

Detail design

Testing Ramp up



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# Design Modeling Techniques



From: Ulrich and Eppinger, Product design and development, 2000

## Need Integrated system modeling and simulation

Mathematically predict and analyze the integrated behavior of products throughout the pre-prototype design cycle

#### barriers

# **Benefits** Simulation-based integrated system analysis

#### Polaroid LCD projector

# Seamless mathematical integration:

geometry, engineering, life-cycle analysis, customer and intent-to-purchase simulations

#### **Result:**

integrated trade-off cycle time reduced from 3 months to 15 seconds

"not generally feasible"





## Hypothesis Limitation is simulation synthesis, not analysis

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Mathematical system modeling techniques do not match design synthesis needs

# Mismatch Traditional model integration methods

# Explicit, fixed scope, command and control



#### Implicit, emergent



Existing methods do not accommodate flexible model growth, change, emergence, or rapid transitions between synthesis and analysis

# Synthesis Mismatch Consequences

Infeasible because of design ...



complexity, scale, rate of change

heterogeneity



proprietary knowledge Cutkosky, 1996

### DOME Research goal

A new infrastructure for building the integrated simulations needed in design analysis

Fundamentally resolve traditional integration barriers

# Future Design Engineering emergent systems



# DOME Inspiration Hypertext (WWW)

Revolution in infrastructure for building information networks—breaking control barriers

Any individual can add content

Any individual can access remote material and create local links to relevant materials

Result: an emergent network of information services

# DOME Concept World-wide Simulation Web

Any individual can make interfaces to focused simulations operable over the Internet

Any individual can access remote interfaces and create local mathematical links or bridge models between simulation elements

Result: an emergent network of parametrically coordinated simulations



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#### **Integrated Simulation Synthesis** Participants build models using tools appropriate for their discipline



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#### Integrated Simulation Synthesis Participants define parametric interfaces to their focused simulations

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#### Integrated Simulation Synthesis Participants deploy interfaces on Internet-accessible DOME servers



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#### Integrated Simulation Synthesis Participants create DOME bridge models between interface elements



#### Engineer



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### New Integration Infrastructure World-wide Simulation Web

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Any individual can access remote interfaces and create local mathematical links or bridge models between simulation elements

A domain independent simulation infrastructure

### Integrated System Analysis Participants apply tools to elucidate tradeoffs, optimize designs, and understand system interactions

#### **Examples:**

Decision theory (Kim and Wallace, 1999)

Genetic optimization (Gruininger, Senin and Wallace, 1996)

System structure analysis (Abrahamson and Wallace, 1999)

Model customization (Ferara and Wallace, in progress)

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## Ford Application Results

Rapid system model development and evolution (Integration process was 12 person days)

Interoperability of services between heterogeneous applications without sharing proprietary data models

Design tradeoff speed

(Ford engineer to supplier analyst: 10s vs. ~2 weeks)

Rapid design comparison of local design and supplier changes with global tradeoff viewpoint

#### New Integration Infrastructure Fundamentally resolve traditional integration barriers

Complexity, scale, rate of change

Emergent vs. explicit system definition

# New Integration Infrastructure

#### Localized definition of interfaces and relationships



#### New Integration Infrastructure Fundamentally resolve traditional integration barriers

Heterogeneity, proprietary information

Parametric consistency vs. data model sharing



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# **New Integration Infrastructure**

# Local solvers share causal mapping for externally accessible interface parameters

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# Industry Pilot Applications Recently completed or ongoing

Organization	Project
Ford	Door glass system Integrated simulation across the design/supply chain
Ford	Fuel economy Integrated technology assessment
Ford	Vehicle platform design Parametric assemblies with multiple CAD systems
LG Electronics	Air conditioner design Platform management
Boeing	New materials adoption Integrated simulation across length scales
US Navy	Aircraft carrier ordinance delivery

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### Vehicle Platform Application Geometric assemblies

Traditional integration approach:

Each company has an official CAD system

All suppliers must use the official CAD system

Suppliers must provide native part geometry to automotive company

### Vehicle Platform Application Parametrically editable assemblies



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# Application Manufacturing object module: MOM



Machine tool world