

# Trends in Manufacturing Research: DIGITAL MANUFACTURING Perspectives and Outlook

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# INTRODUCTION

They said ...

"I think there's a world market for maybe five computers."

*(Thomas Watson, the Chairman of IBM, in 1940)*

"I have traveled the length and breadth of this country and talked with the best people, and I can assure you that data processing is a fad that won't last out the year."

*(The Editor in Charge of business books for Prentice Hall, in 1957)*

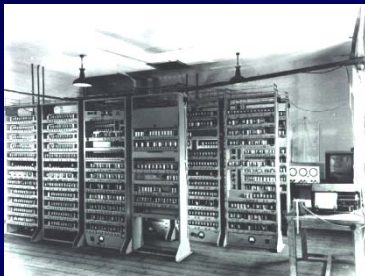
"There is no reason why anyone would want to have a computer in their home."

*(President of Digital Equipment Corporation, in 1977)*



# INTRODUCTION

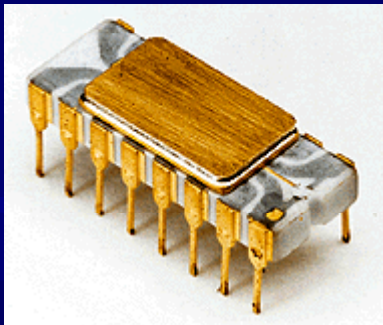
## Years



1940

1950

1960



1970

1980

1990

2000



## IT evolution

Machine Accounting

Data Processing

Mainframe Data Centers

Information Services

Minicomputers

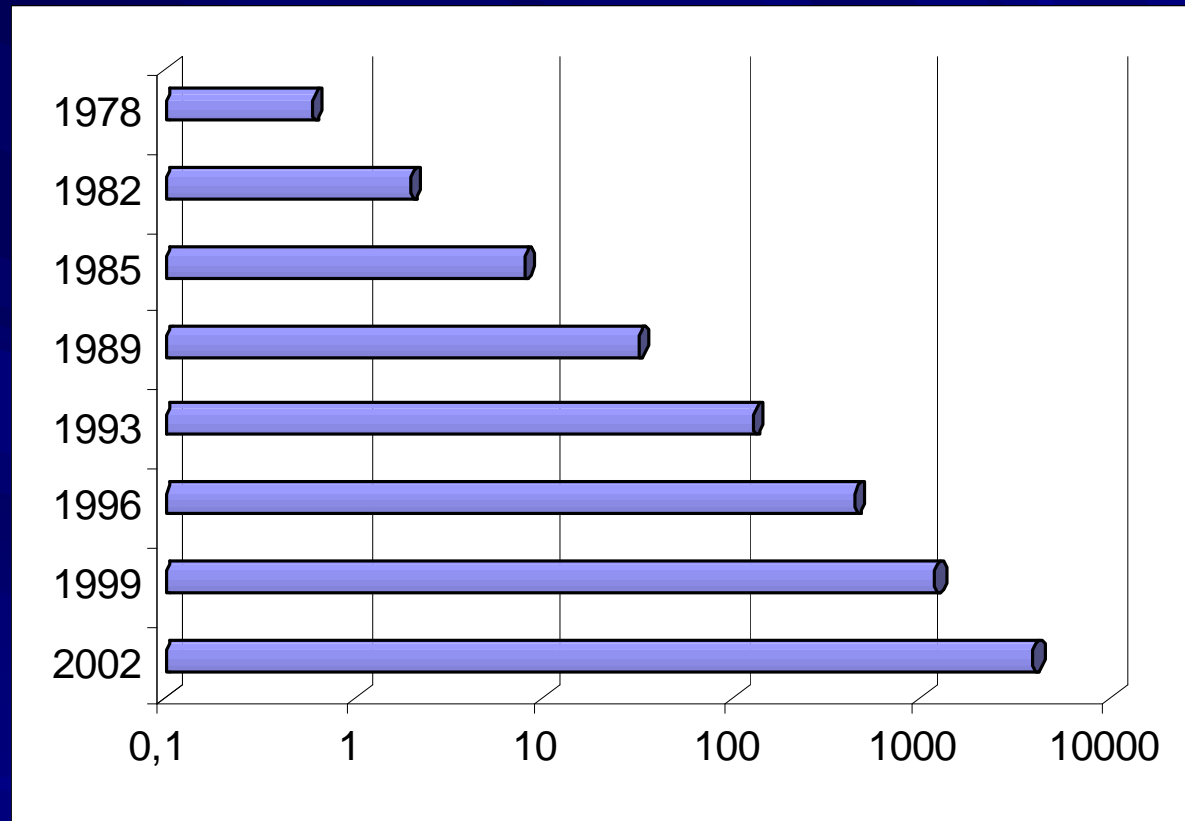
Microcomputers

Client / Server Technology

Internet / Intranet



# INTRODUCTION



***CPU Million Instructions Per Second (MIPS)***



# INTRODUCTION

The **Product Development & Product Lifecycle** include the following stages:

- ✓ Product Conceptualization
- ✓ Product Design
- ✓ Process Planning
- ✓ Production Network Optimization
- ✓ Manufacturing
- ✓ Maintenance and End of Product Lifecycle

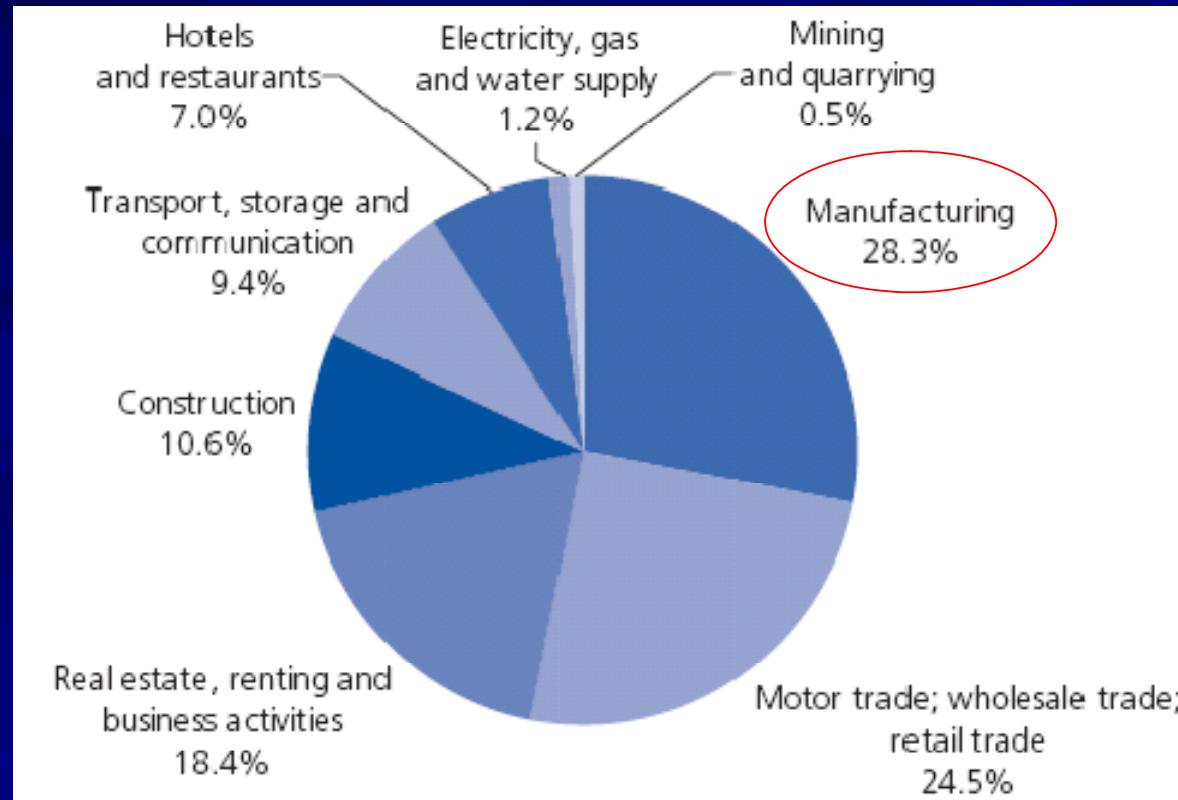
During product development **CAD tools** have been extensively used over the last years in order to **speed-up the development process** and to **eliminate the need for early physical prototypes**

The logical continuation of the **Digital Product Development** process is the **Digital Factory** towards to the **Digital Manufacturing**



# The Importance of Manufacturing

**Manufacturing = Jobs + Value**

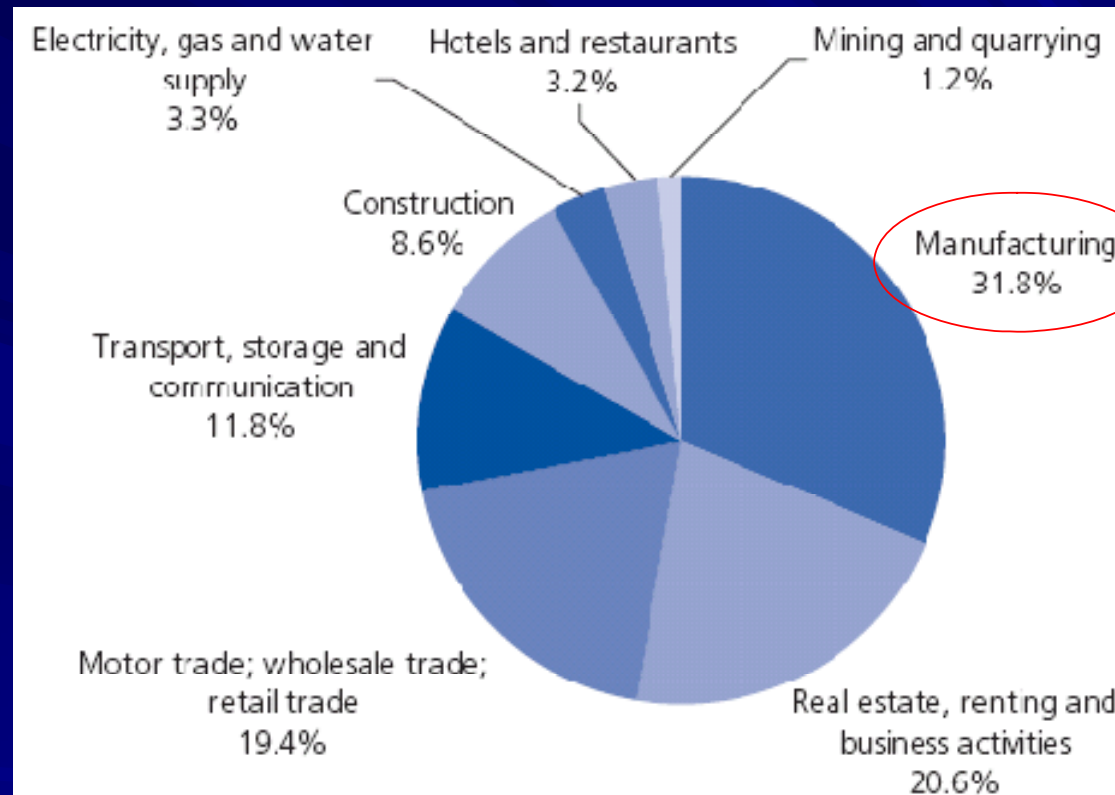


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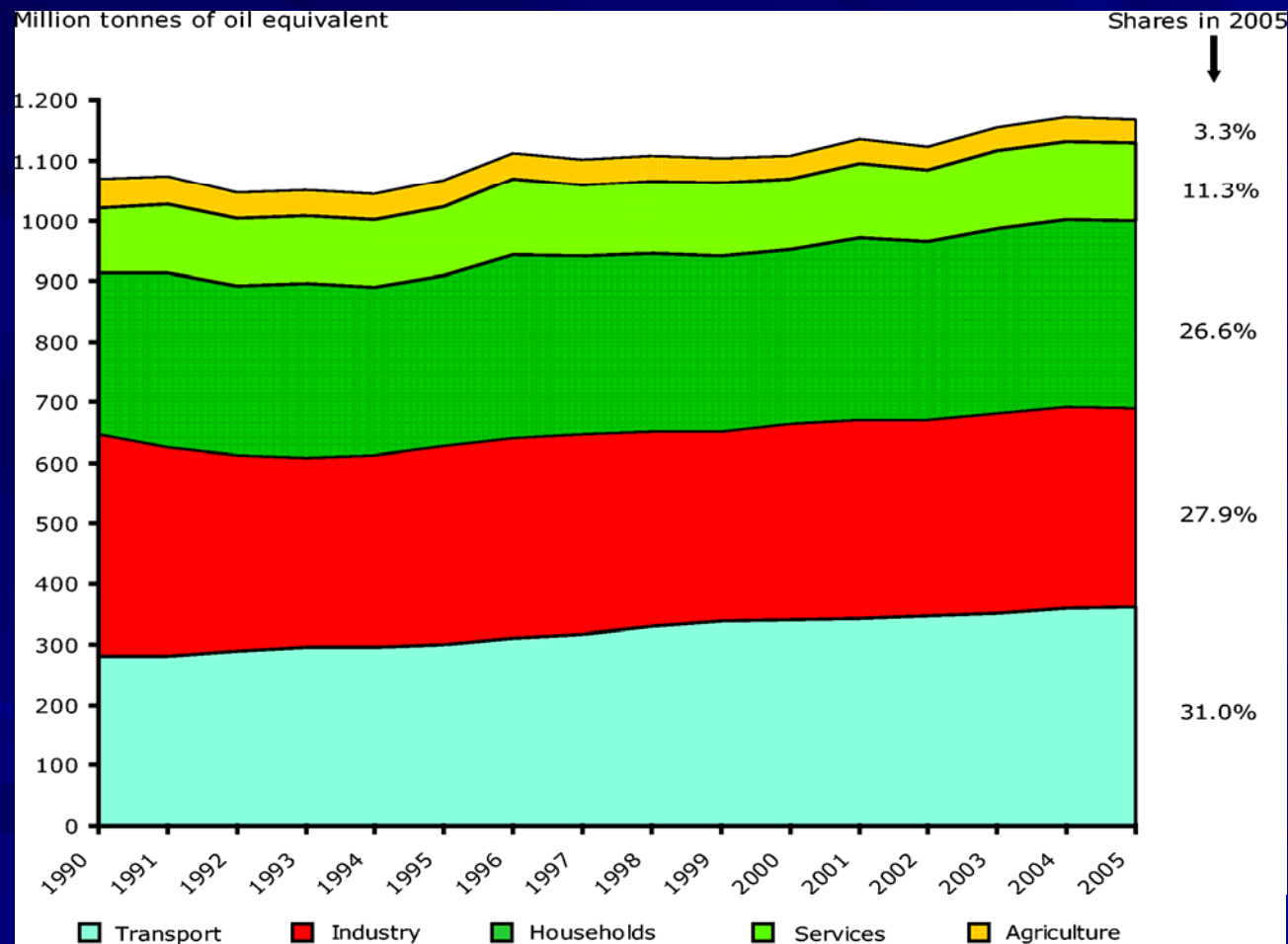
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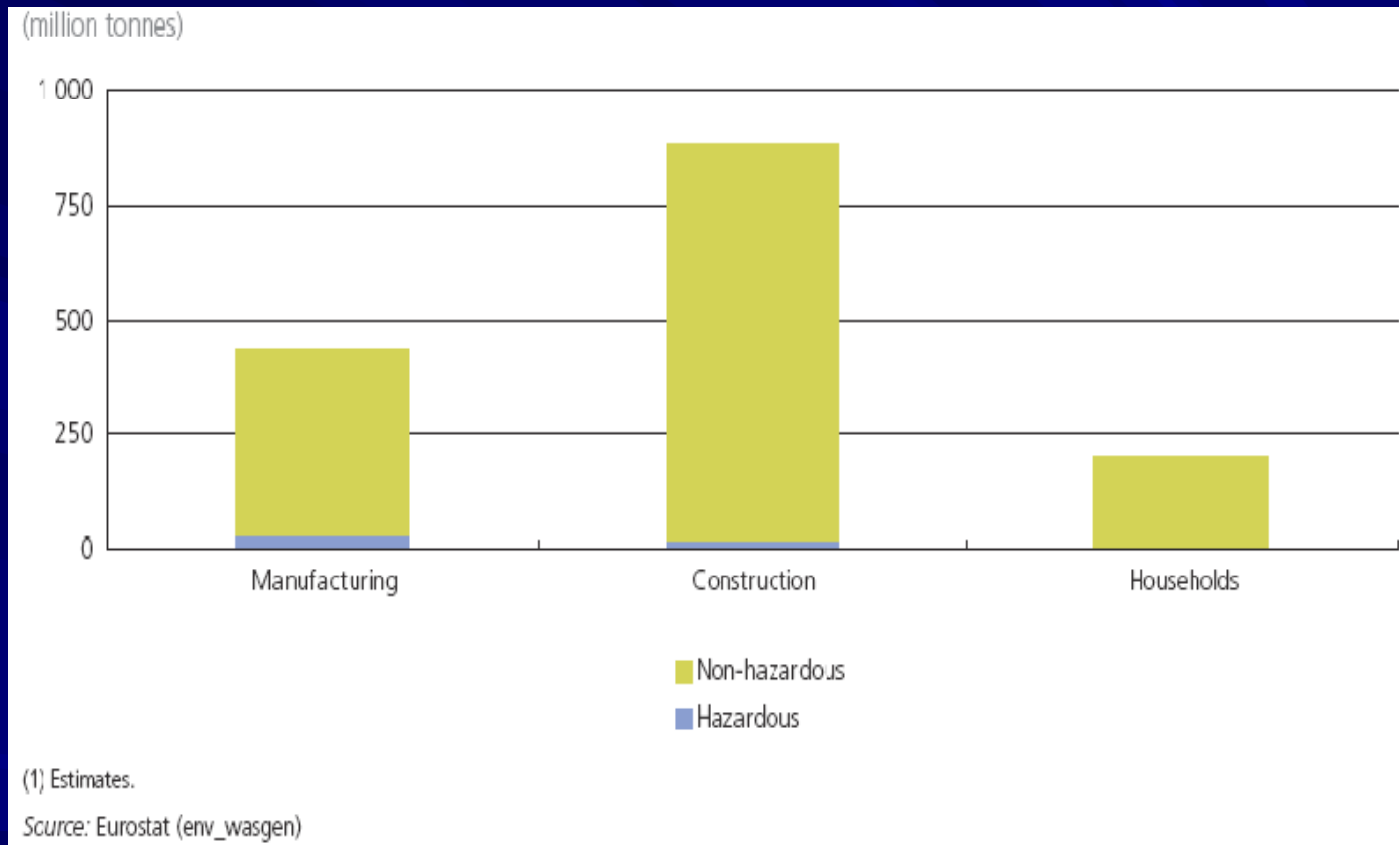


**Final energy consumption by sector, EU-27 (Source: European Environment Agency, Energy & Environment Report 2008)**



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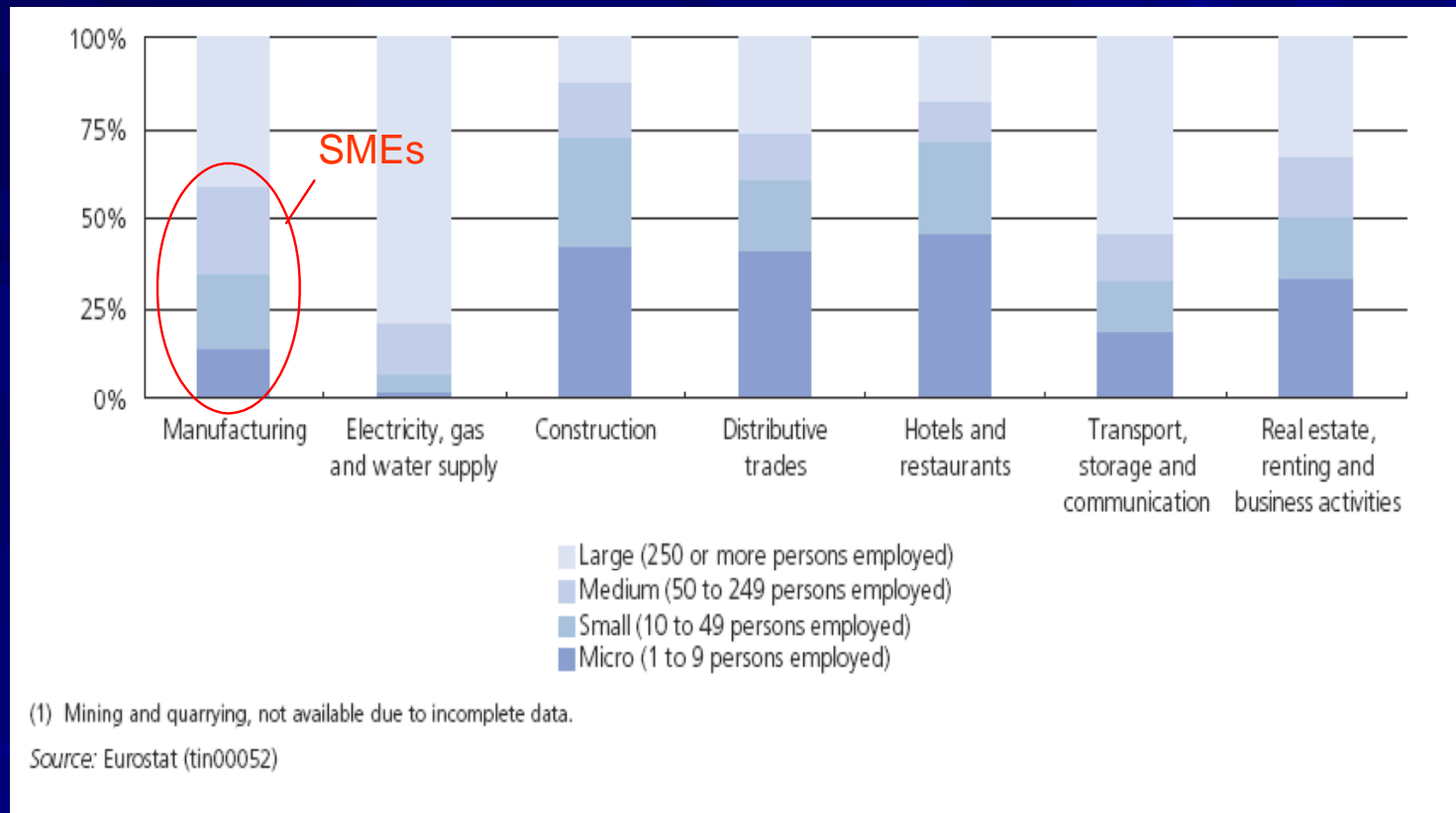


**Generation of waste by origin, EU27, 2004**  
(Source: EUROSTAT Statistical Books, Europe in Figures, Year Book 2008)



# The importance of manufacturing

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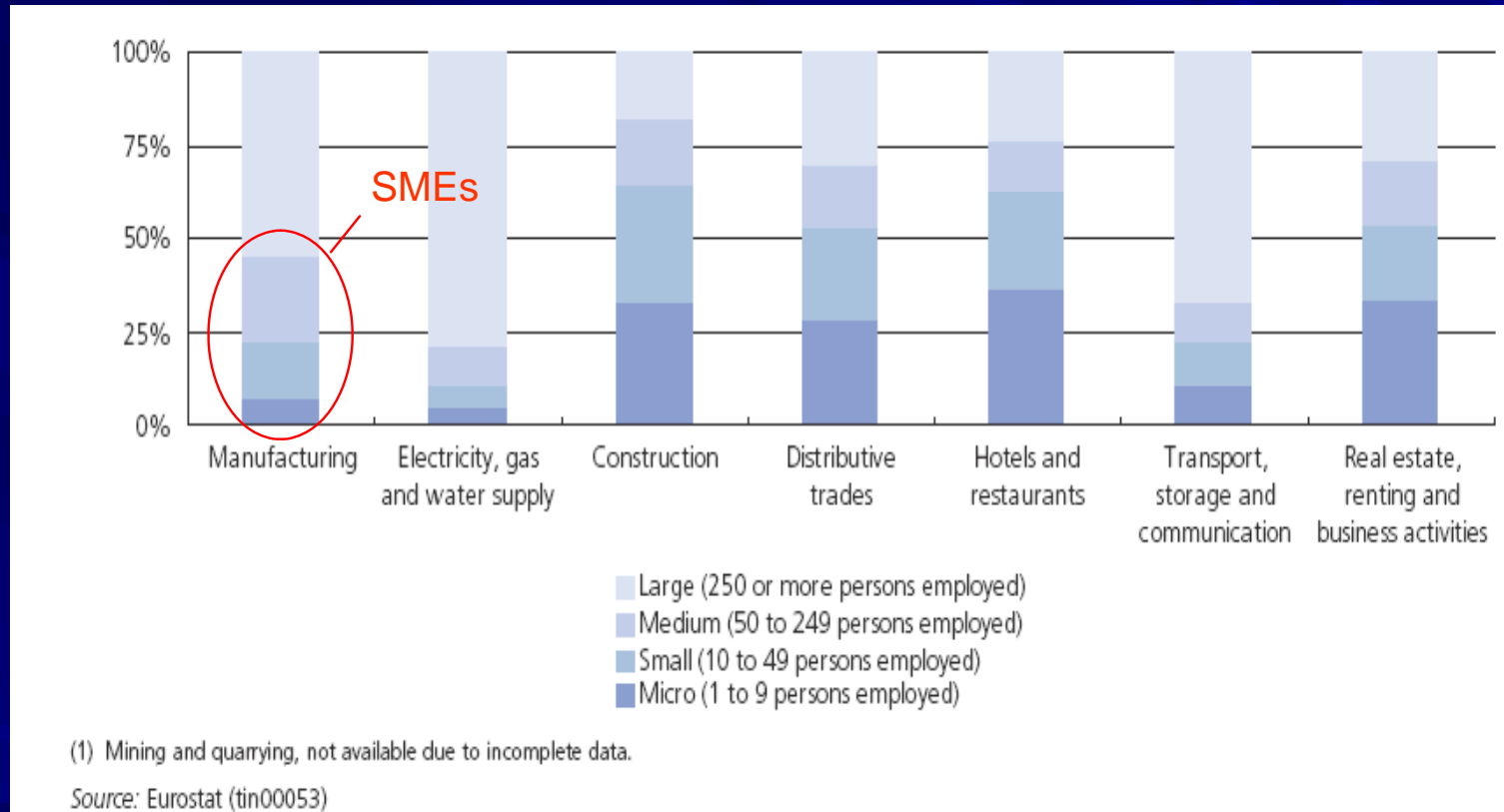


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## CHALLENGES for European Manufacturing

- European Manufacturing has been addressing major challenges like:
  - productivity growth
  - competitive pressure
  - environmental impact
  - innovation risks etc
- A number of underlying socio-economic and technological drivers have affected the developments
  - globalization
  - S&T advances
  - sustainability requirements
  - regulatory environment etc.
- The current economic crisis has made the situation even more challenging, since output in many manufacturing sectors has been especially hard hit by the financial crisis and has experienced the sharpest decline in decades



# MANUFUTURE Mission



*The mission of MANUFUTURE is to propose a strategy based on research and innovation, capable of speeding up the rate of industrial transformation in Europe, securing high added value employment and winning a major share of world manufacturing output in the future knowledge driven economy*



# MANUFUTURE Approach

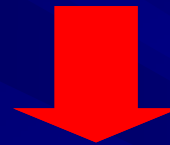
... from resource-based to knowledge-based manufacturing

## MANUFUTURE



# DIGITAL FACTORY

The Digital Factory comprises **digital planning and optimization** of the real-life plant as well as of its production processes on the basis of an **integrated data model and geometry-based planning**



**Product Design, Process and Production Planning procedures are supported by:**

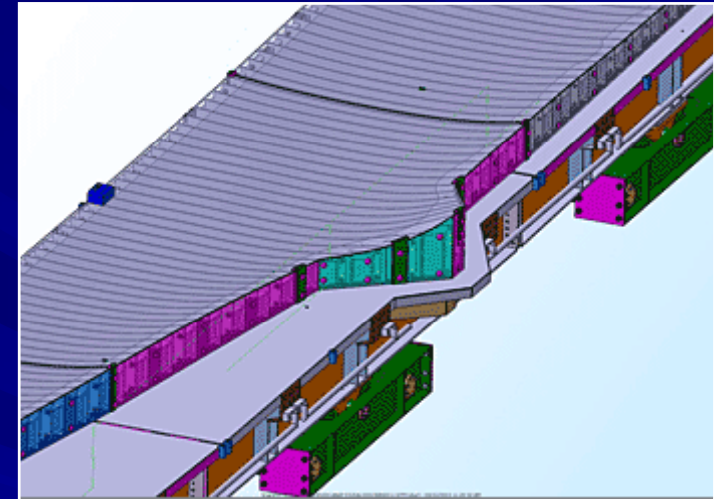
- Advanced **simulation** tools and models
- Computer Aided Design / Manufacturing - **CAD / CAM** - SW packages
- Enterprise Resource Planning – **ERP** - systems
- Supply Chain Management – **SCM** - systems based on Computer-Integrated Manufacturing – **CIM** - concepts
- Product Lifecycle Planning and Management – **PLM** - methods





# Computer Aided Design (CAD) Systems

- 3D Virtual Product Functional Modelling
- Collaborative Environment (Groups / Suppliers)
- Parts Libraries
- FEA / Simulation Integration
- Product Engineering Optimization
- Styling Capabilities
- Integrated NC programming
- Product Lifecycle Modelling Features
- Rapid Prototyping Technology



*CAD image (CATIA v5) of the creep forming tool for panel 1 of the Airbus A380 wing skins, showing the aluminium skin (dark grey) resting on the forming surface, which is supported by laser-cut steel ribs. The forming tool stands on a steel deck (pale grey), and the whole assembly is moved on bogie units (green)*

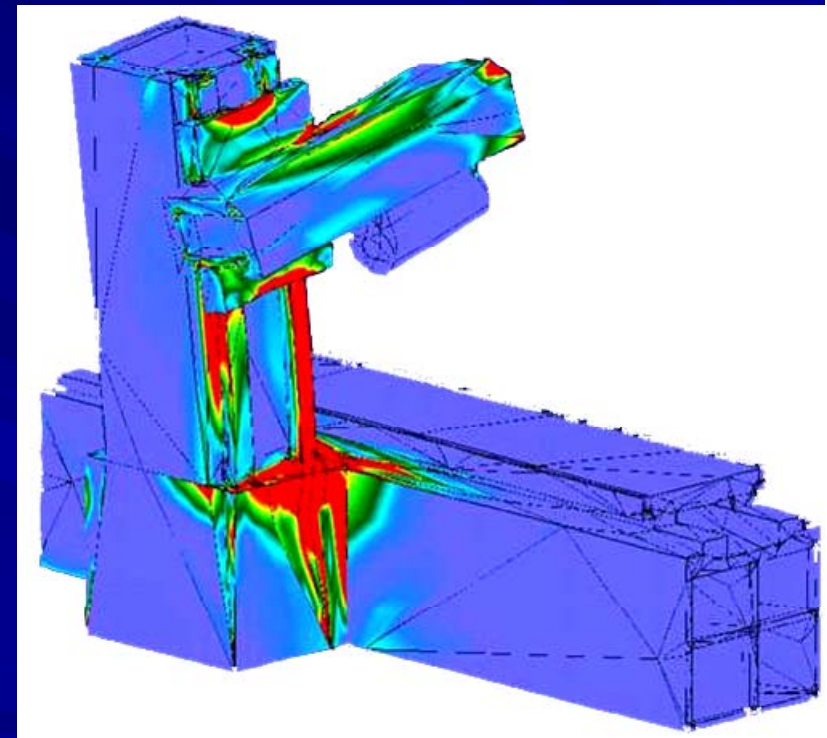
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# Computer Aided Engineering (CAE) Systems

CAE systems are used for reducing the level of hardware prototyping during product development and for improving understanding of the system:

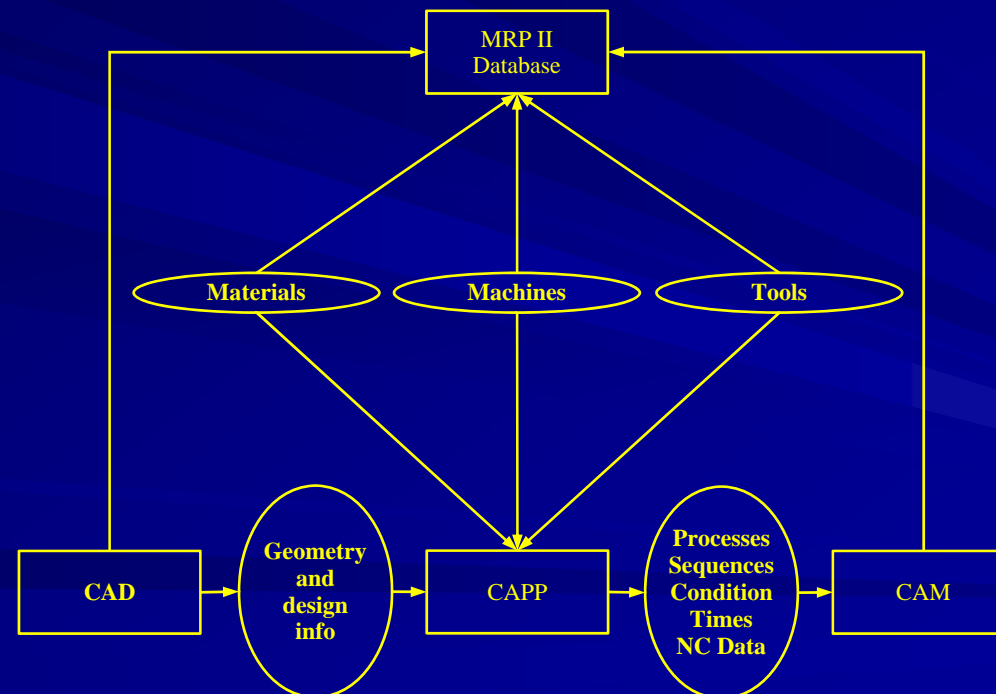
- Computational Fluid Dynamics using 3D mesh and simplified Navier-Stokes equations to predict fluid flow
- Finite Element Analysis for analysing materials for structural characteristics, thermal performance and electromagnetic fields
- One-dimensional fluid analysis for predicting the flow of a fluid around circuits, e.g. pipes
- Often integrated in advanced CAD systems



# Computer Aided Process Planning (CAPP) Systems

Process Planning activities determine the necessary manufacturing processes and their sequence in order to produce a given part economically and competitively

CAPP aim at automating process planning tasks so that the process plans are generated consistently



*Ssemakula, M.E. (1990).  
Process planning system in  
the CIM environment,  
Computers and Industrial  
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# Computer Aided Manufacturing (CAM) and NC

CNC Machining was one of the most important developments for manufacturing technologies in the 20<sup>th</sup> century, allowing for Mass Production of consumer products and Flexibility in cases of specialized parts

- Most CAD/CAM systems are capable of generating CNC tool paths, providing interactive graphic animations to verify the NC part program
- The planning of the machining process, including decisions regarding roughing and finishing, number of passes and sequence of paths, relies on the programmer's knowledge
- CAM systems of the future will be able to use downloaded tooling geometry, and to make use of vendor-approved manufacturing processes for the tooling

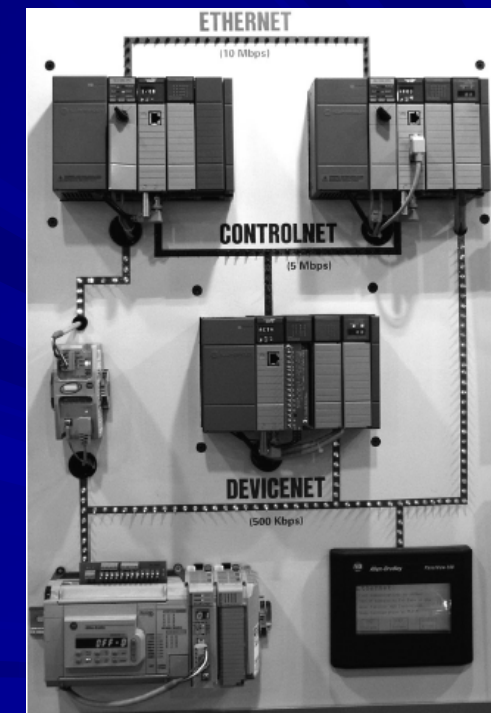


# Manufacturing Control

*Automation in production systems is considered as a way to improve flexibility*

Huge steps have been made from the pneumatic transmission of process data and pneumatic controllers to PLCs of the 70's, the multi-variable model-based predictive controllers of the 80's, and the large – handling over 400 variables – controllers of the 90's

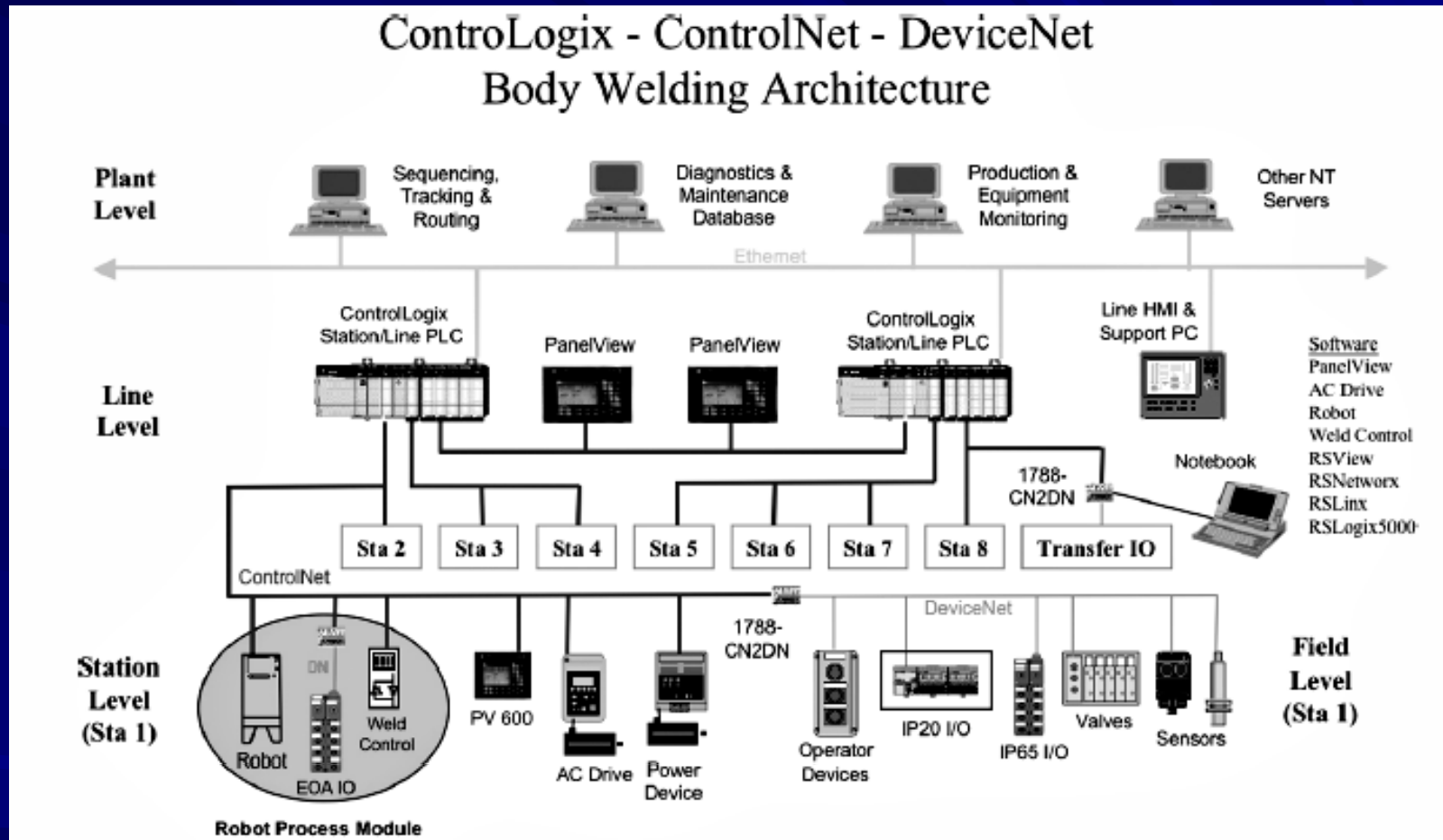
- Smart sensors and actuators able to process information related to calibration, fault detection, diagnosis and others, appeared during the 1990's and allowed the control of complex functions or processes
- New technologies (802.11, RFID) enable the wireless transmission of data even in noisy industrial environments
- Integration of Control Systems with CAD / CAM and Scheduling Systems as well as real-time control based on the distributed networking between sensors and control devices are key research topics



(Courtesy of Rockwell Automation, USA)



# Manufacturing Control



An example of a Rockwell Automation, Allen-Bradley developed *automotive body welding architecture*, with real-time distributed networking between sensors and management monitoring and control systems (Courtesy of Rockwell Automation, USA)



# Simulation of Manufacturing Systems

Computer simulation is widely used technique in MFGs design, enabling decision makers and engineers to investigate the complexity of the systems and how changes in the system configuration or in the operational policies may affect the performance of the system / organization

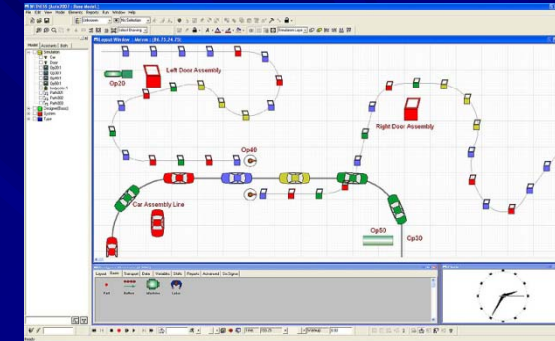
- Simulation Systems offer advanced visualization capabilities
- Integration and interfaces with other IT systems
- Virtual Reality Applications for process simulation and verification
- Digital Human Simulation, including motion capturing / modeling techniques
- Virtual Collaborative Environments
- Ergonomics and safety, employing prognostic and diagnostic tools (fault tree analysis, decision tools, risk assessment, discomfort evaluation)



# Discrete Event Simulation

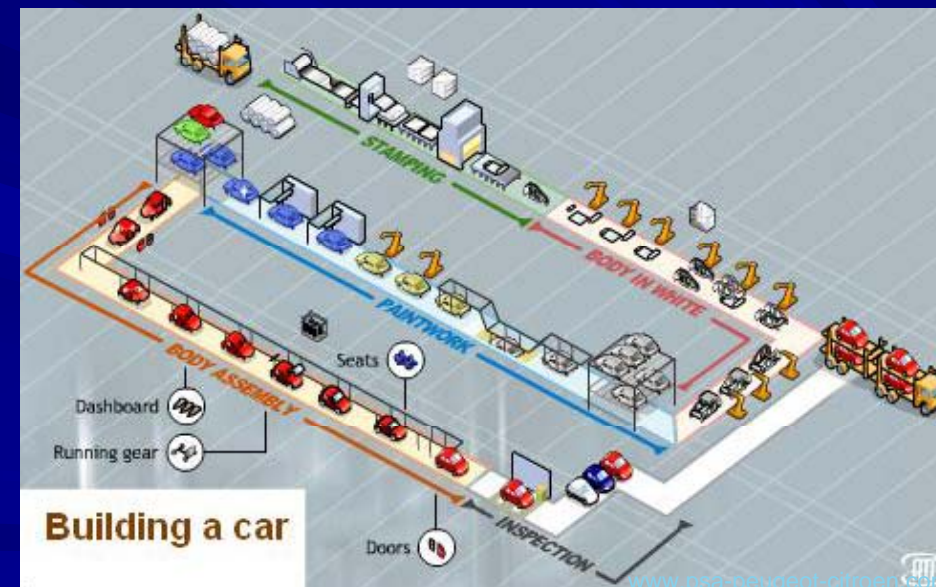
## • Main Research Areas

- Flexibility Assessment - Quantification
- Change management and adaptability
- Automotive assembly simulation
- Cost modelling of assembly operations
- Supply chain network flexibility



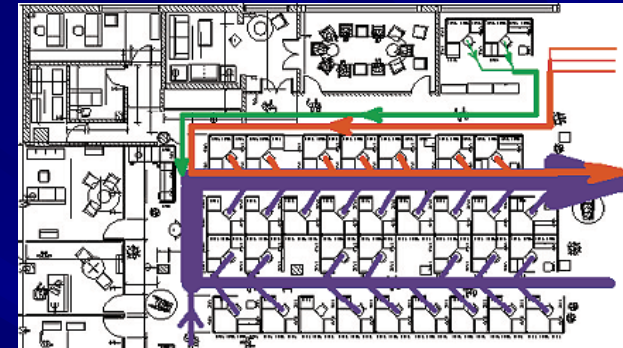
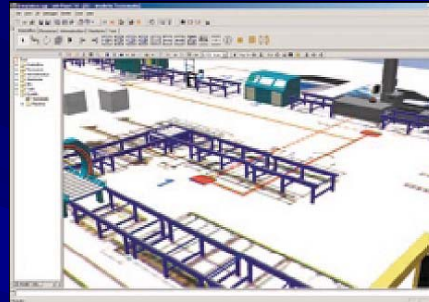
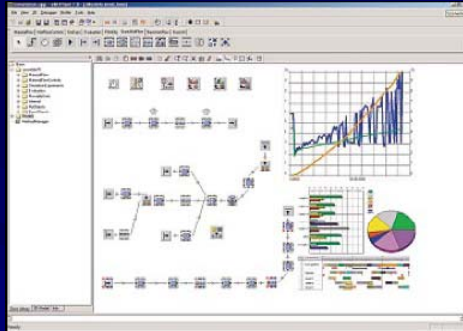
## • Tools

- Witness
- Tecnomatix eM-Plant
- iThink etc





# Automotive Assembly Line Modelling



## Discrete-event Simulation and 3d Modelling

- Final Assembly
- BodyInWhite (BIW)
- Production departments (Punching department, etc)



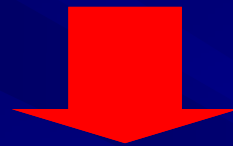
# ERP and Manufacturing Optimization

- The Material Requirements Planning (MRP) systems in the 1970's, were complemented with additional capabilities, leading to closed-loop MRP SW Systems
- The Manufacturing Resources Planning (MRP II) systems of the 1980's incorporated the financial accounting and management systems
- The **MRP II** concept was expanded to incorporate all resource planning and business processes of the entire enterprise (e.g. human resources, project management, product design, materials and capacity planning)
- The **ERP concept** was devised to integrate smaller, otherwise isolated, systems so that real-time resource accountability across all business units and facilities of a corporation could be maintained
- **Real-time** manufacturing scheduling and production planning
- **E-business** and **E-work** applications
- **Supply Chain Management (SCM)**



# ERP Implementations

ERP implementations usually prove to be huge and complex projects, often resulting in cost and schedule overruns - Statistics show that (Standish Group, 1998)



- Only **10% of ERP** implementations are considered fully successful in terms of functionality, estimated costs and time frames
- The average **cost overruns reach a 178%**
- The average **schedule overruns reach a 230%**
- The average **implemented functionality reaches a 41%** of what originally designed / desired

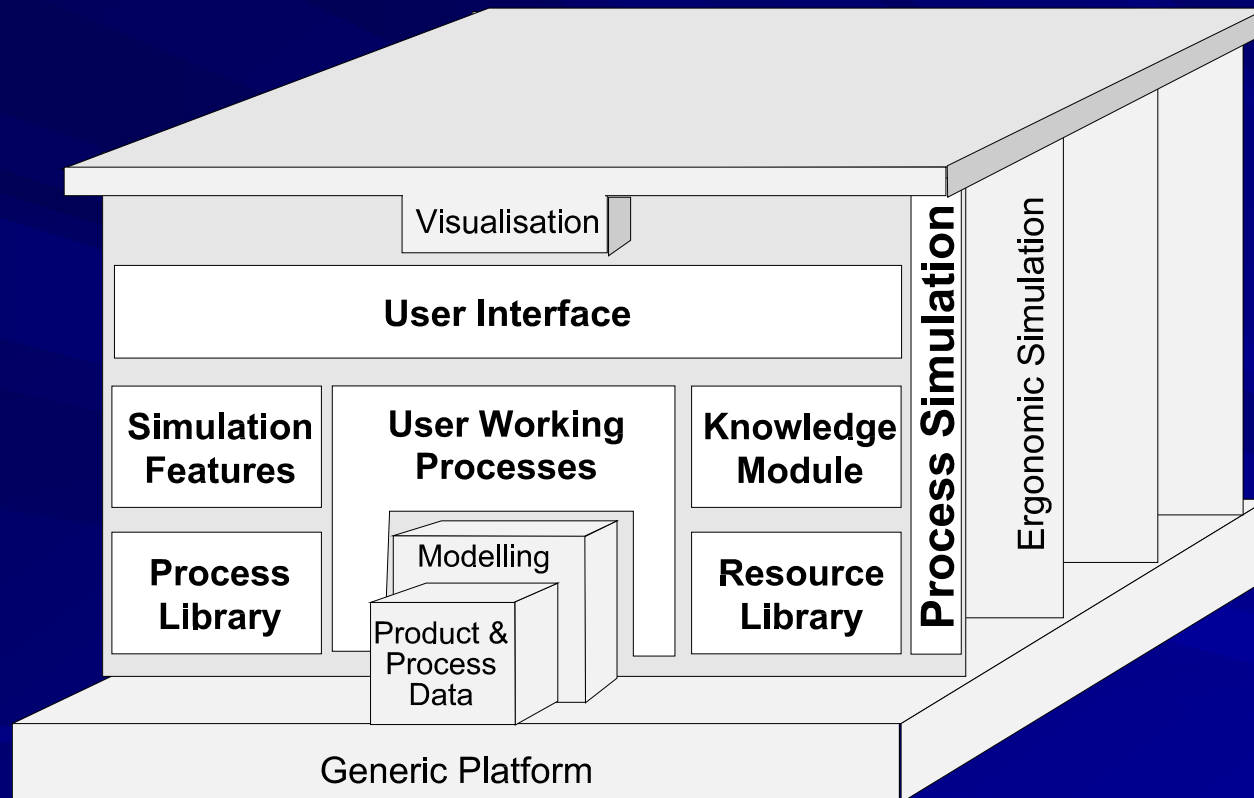


# RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

- Academic research**
- Industrial practices**
- Software systems**



# Digital Mock-up Process Simulation



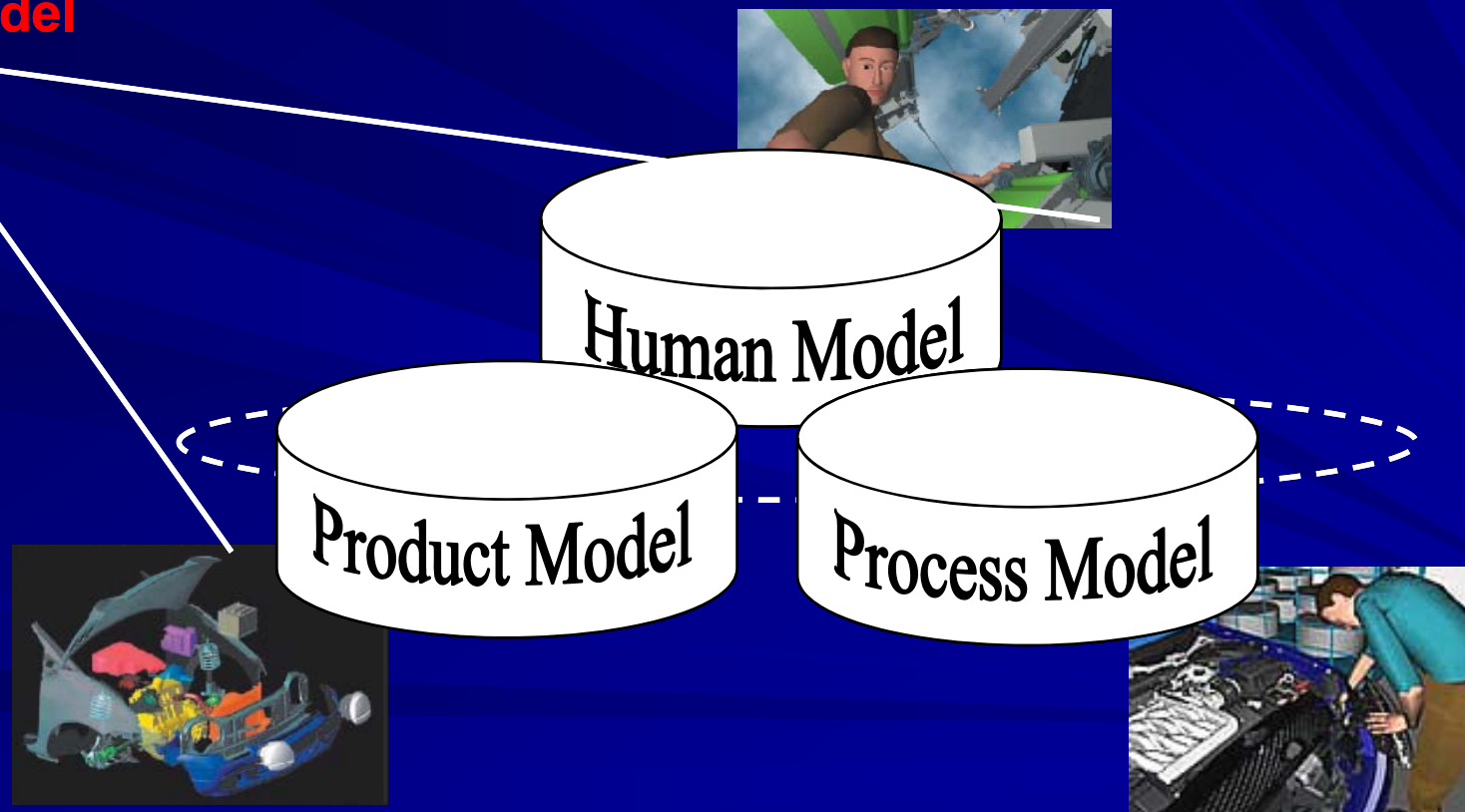
An integrated framework applied to the automotive & aerospace industry

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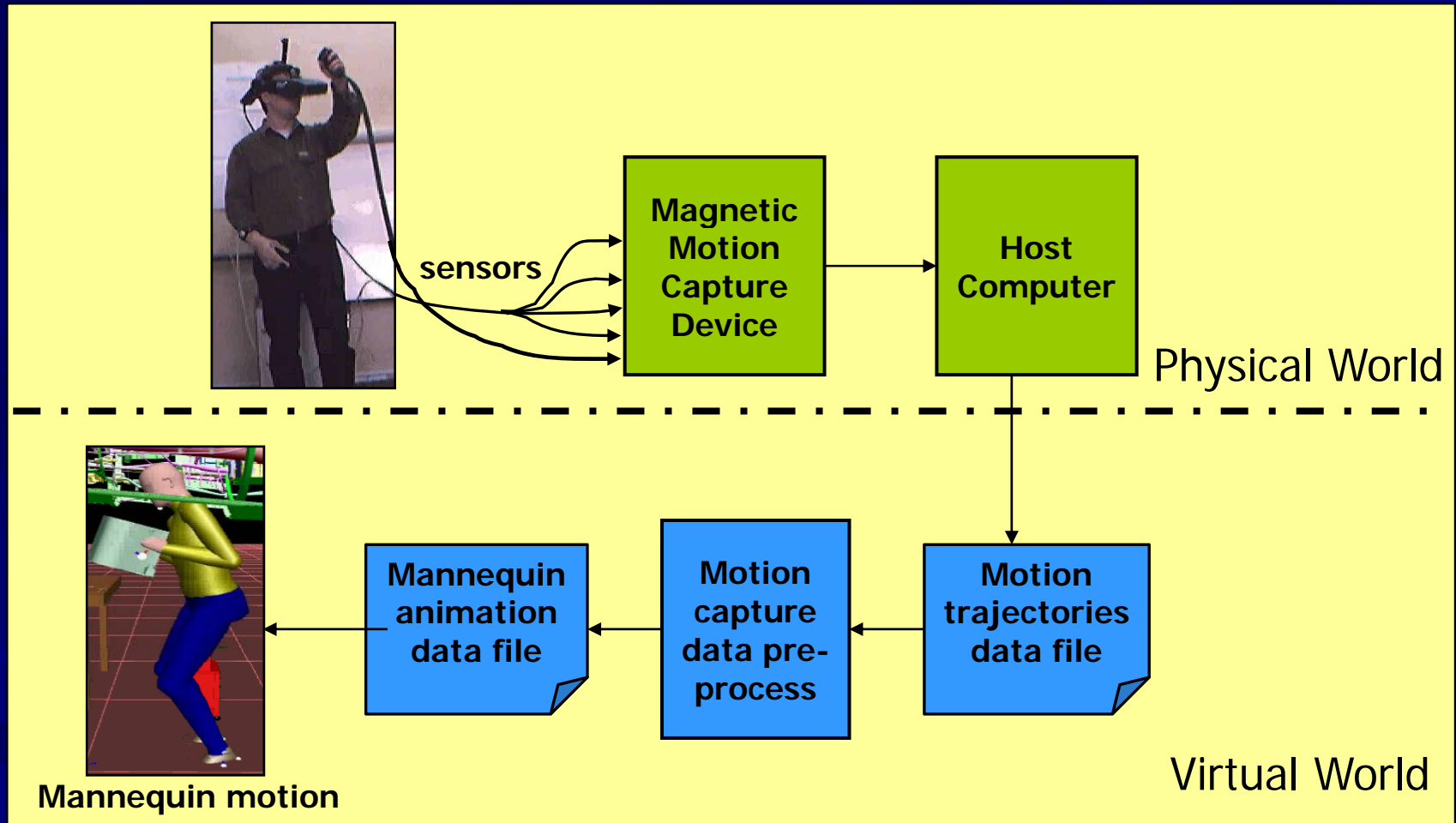


# Digital Mock-up Process Simulation

**A Human Centric  
DMU model**

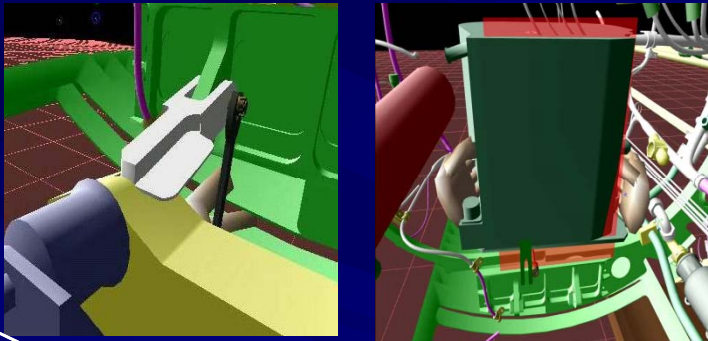


# Maintainability Analysis and Human Simulation

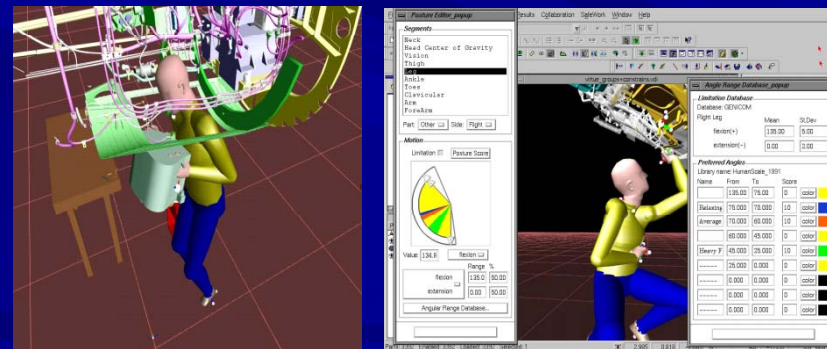


# Maintainability Analysis and Human Simulation

... from *immersive planning*  
using a **Real Human**



... to *desktop analysis* for a  
range of human populations  
using **Digital Mannequins**



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# Virtual Manufacturing



**Immersive VR environments for Process Analysis**

**Machining**

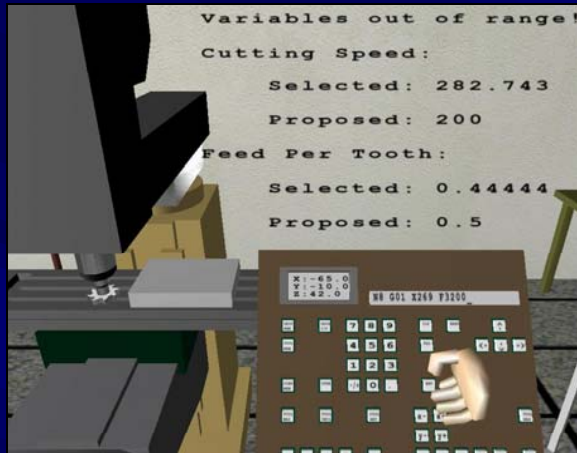
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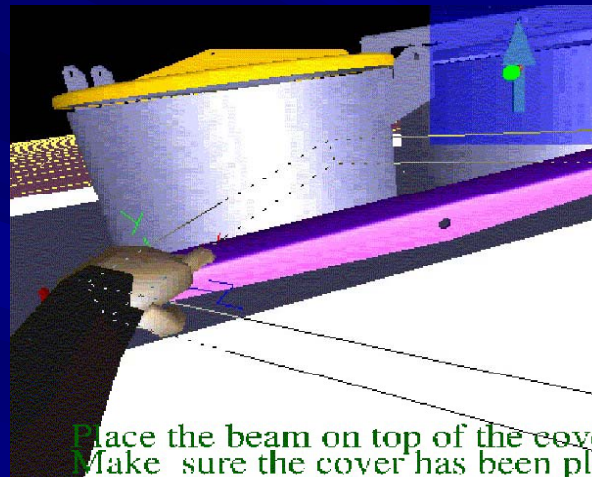
**Assembly**



# Virtual Manufacturing

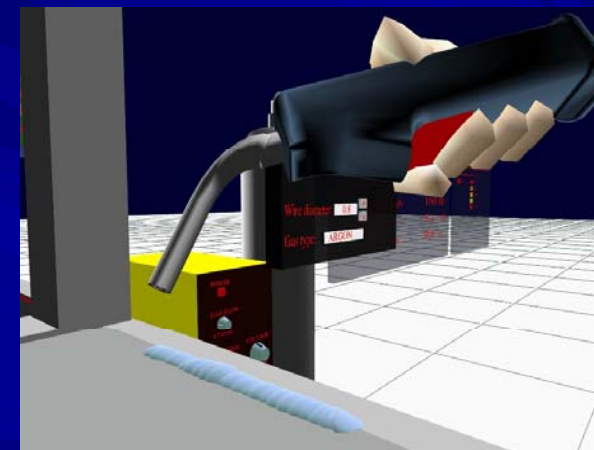


**Machining**



**Assembly**

**Immersive VR environments for Process Training**

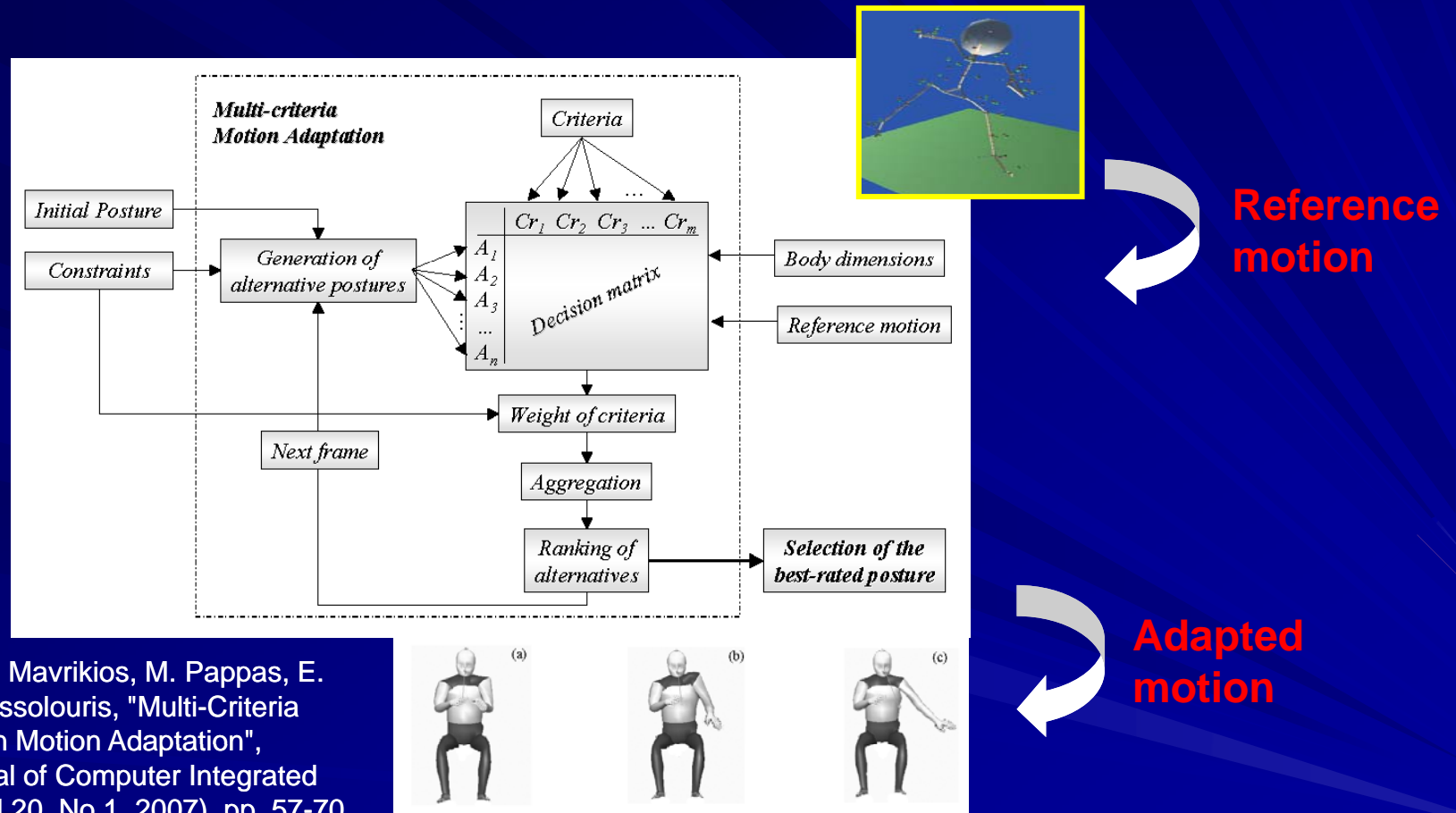


**Welding**

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# Human Motion Modelling

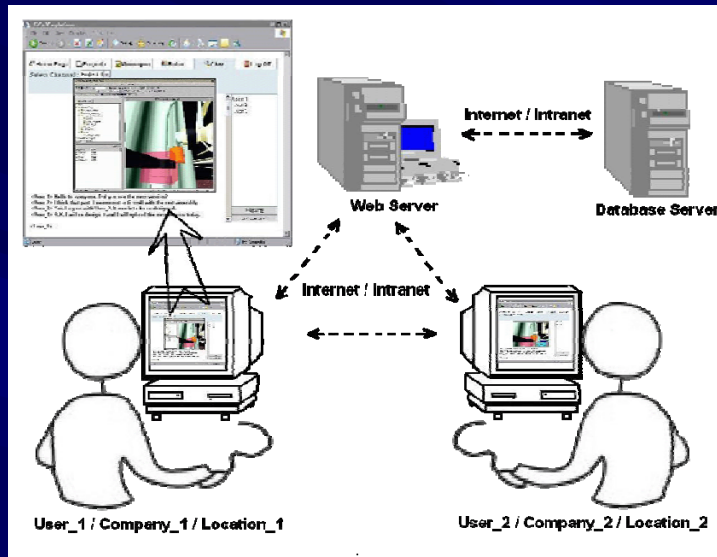


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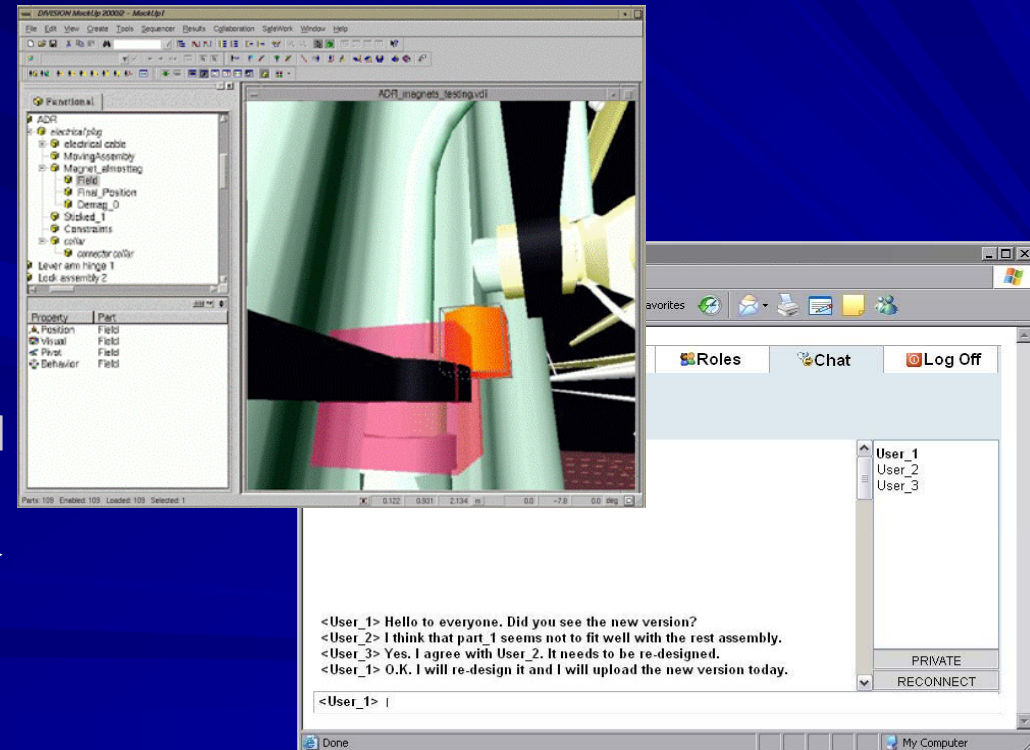
## Multi-criteria upper body human motion adaptation



# Collaborative Design and Manufacturing



**Web-based**  
interaction & collaborative  
product / process assessment



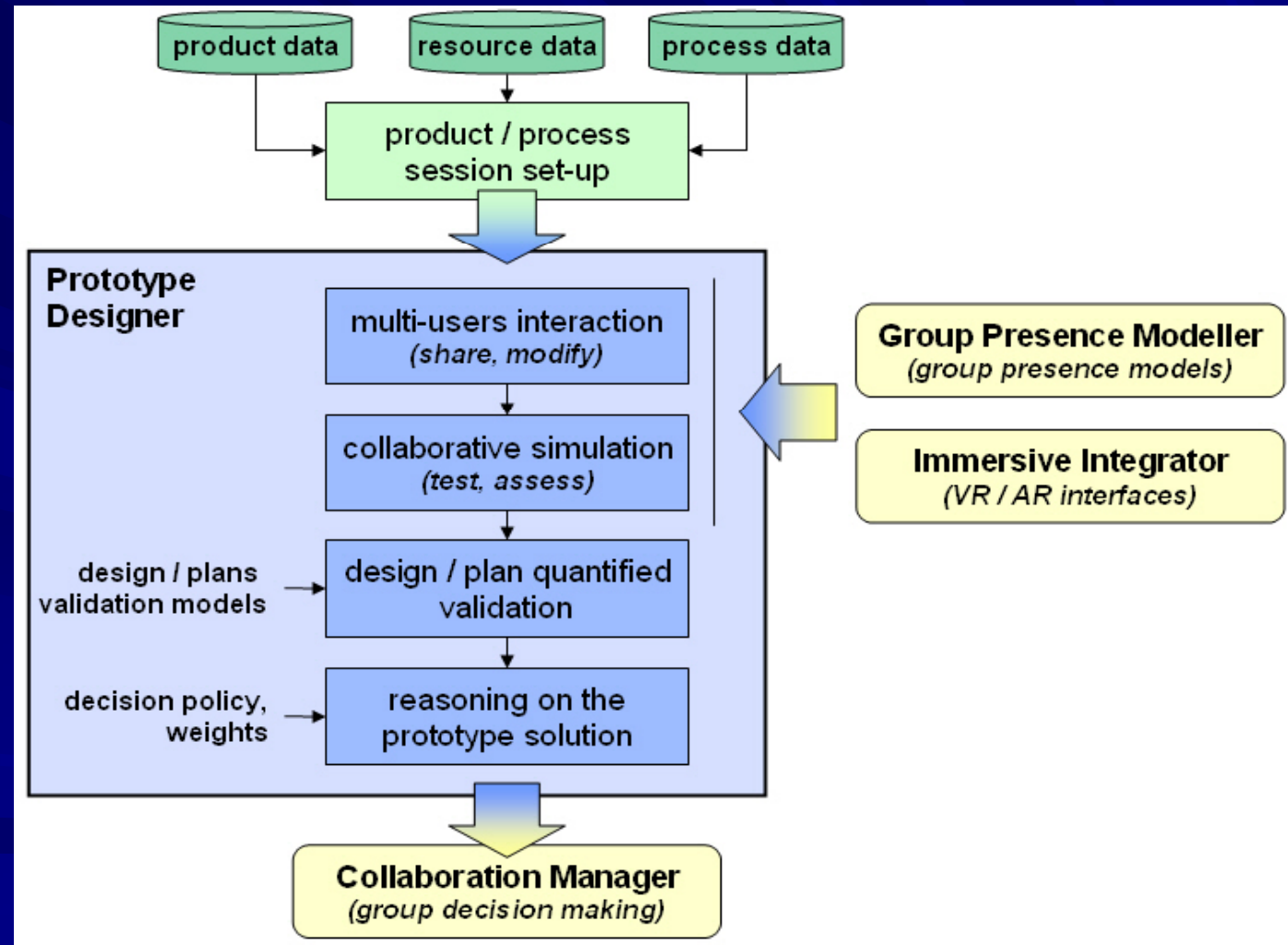
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# Collaborative Design and Manufacturing

## Integrating VR & Decision Making in CME

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# Human Simulation in Assembly

## Methods

- Vision analysis
- Reachability tests
- Accessibility tests
- Posture analysis
- Carry analysis
- Push/pull analysis
- Lift analysis (NIOSH)
- ...

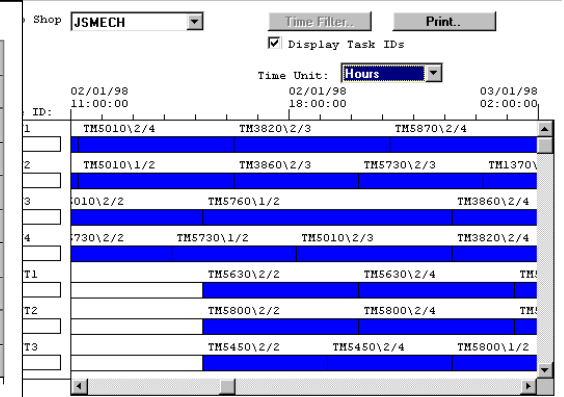
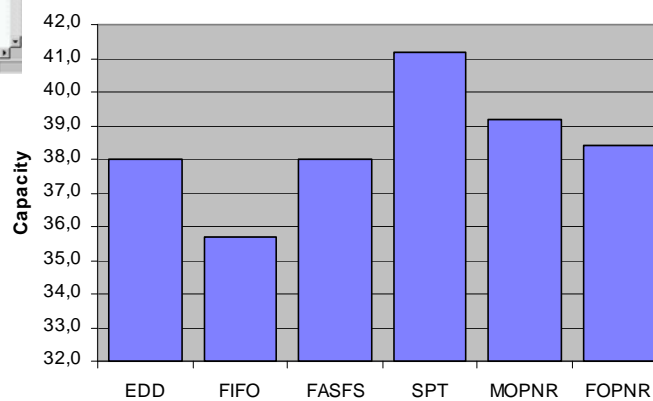
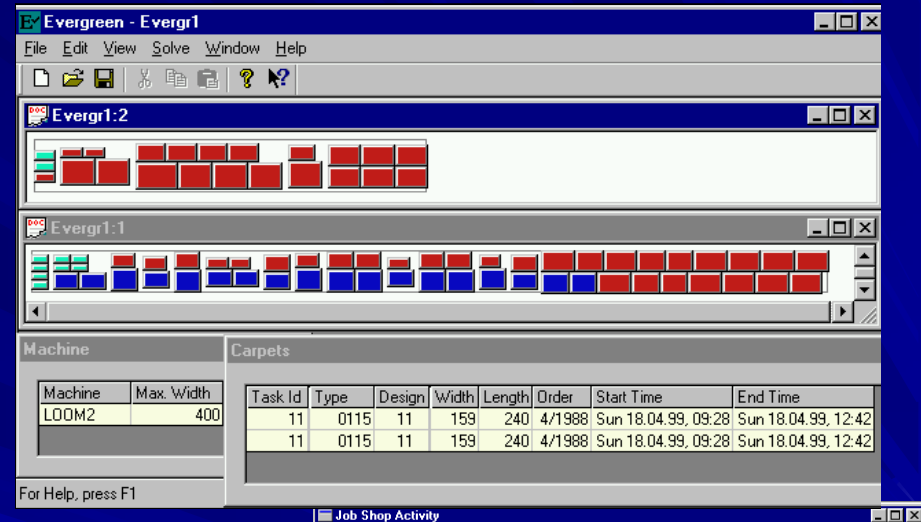
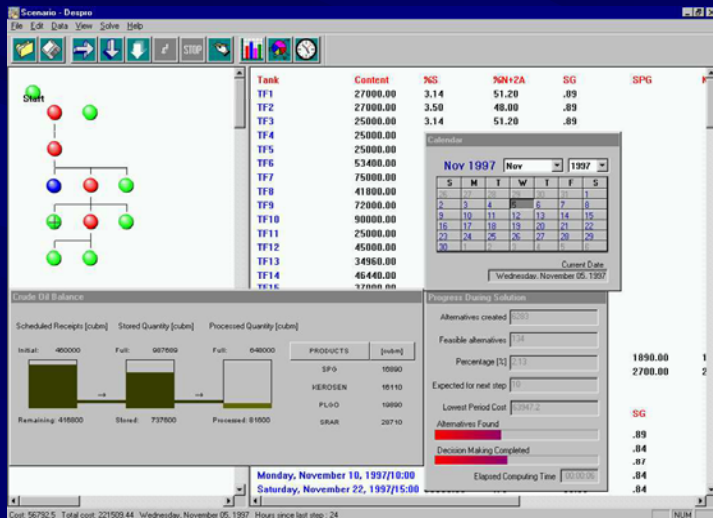
## Critical assembly tasks

- overhead-assembling
- operations to be done almost “blind“
- heavy and/or frequent lifting activities
- operations with high level of hand-flexibility
- operations which demand bending or torsion of the upper body
- operations including a longer period of continuous static work



# Real-time manufacturing scheduling and production planning

- Multi Criteria Decision Making
- Performance indicators
- Gantt Chart

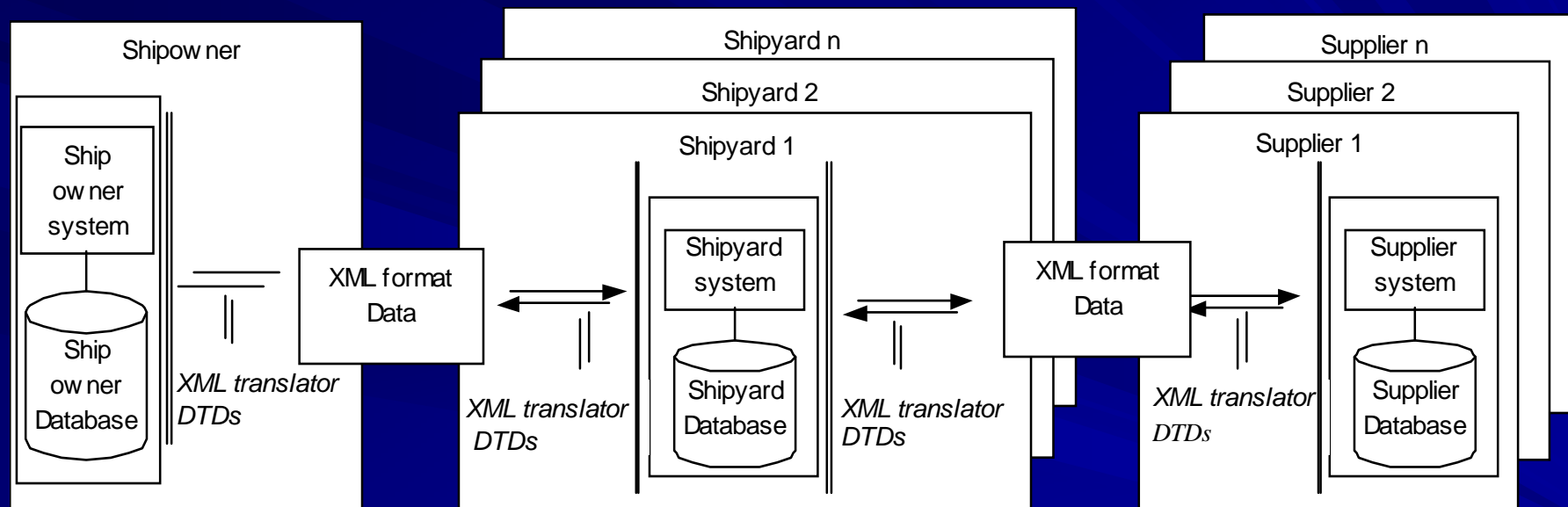


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# Supply Chain Management XML DATA FLOW

## - Communication in Production Network



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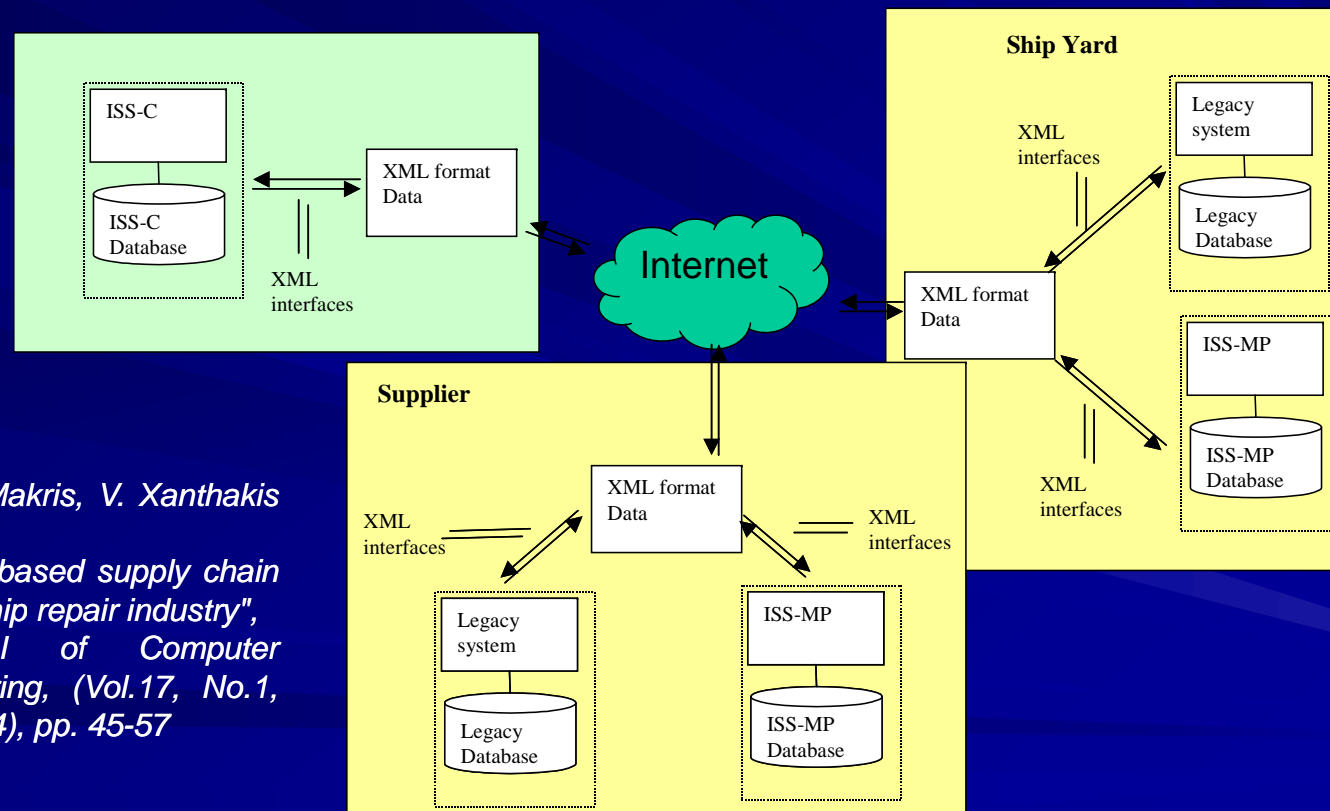




# Supply Chain Management

## HETEROGENEOUS APPLICATIONS INTEGRATION

- XML based integration
- Application in shipyards enterprise



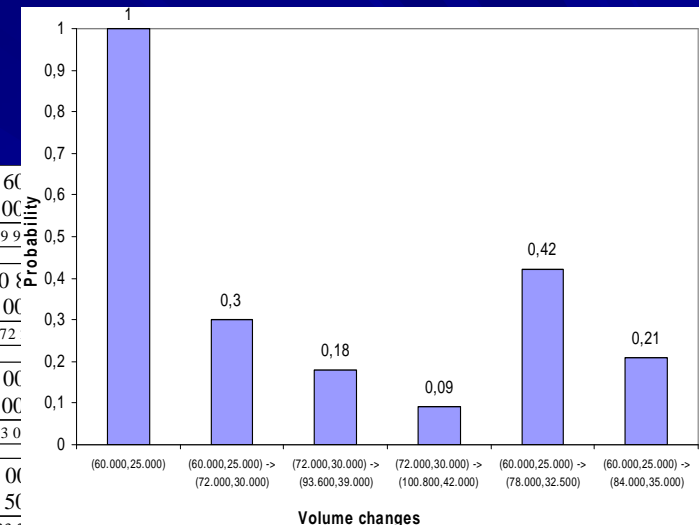
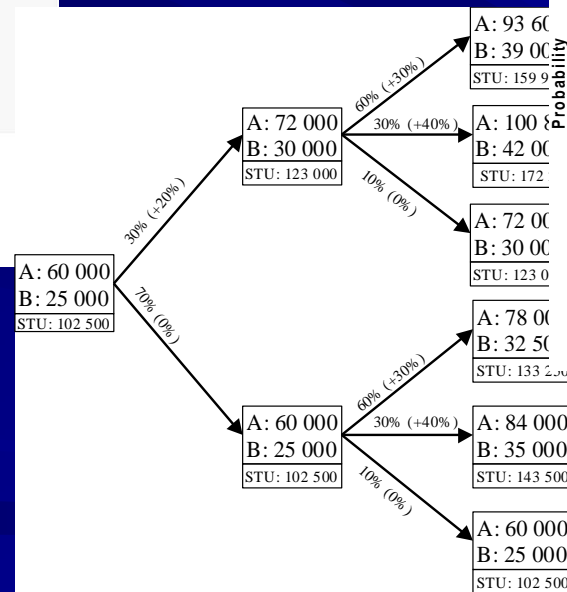
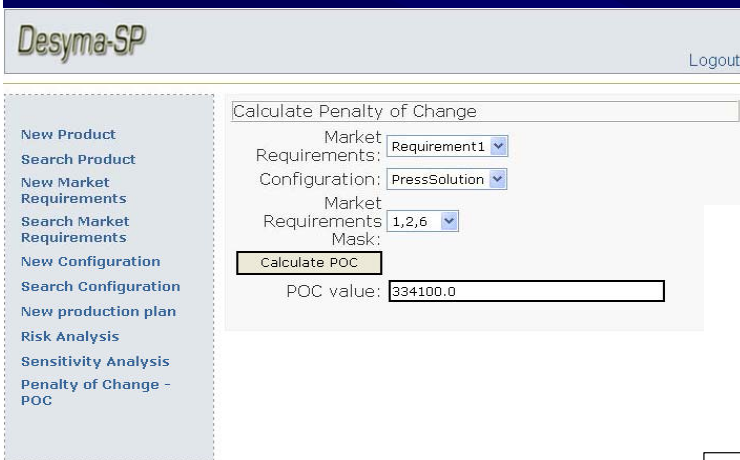
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# Flexibility in Manufacturing Systems

## PENALTY OF CHANGE

- Flexibility measurement / quantification
- Inclusion of flexibility in decision making

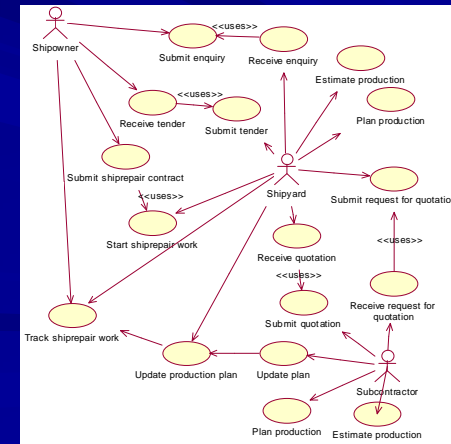
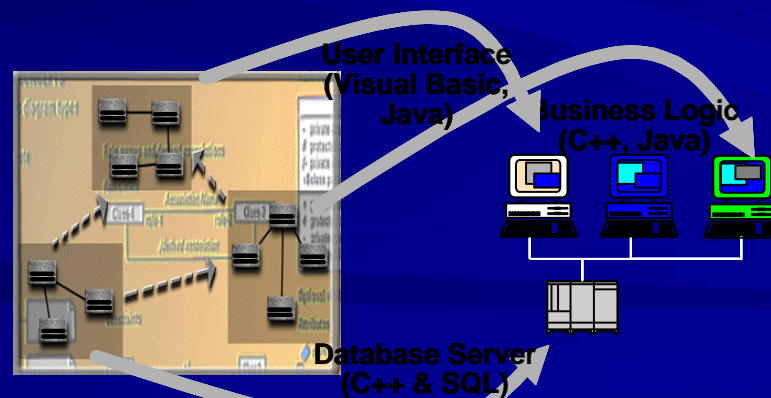
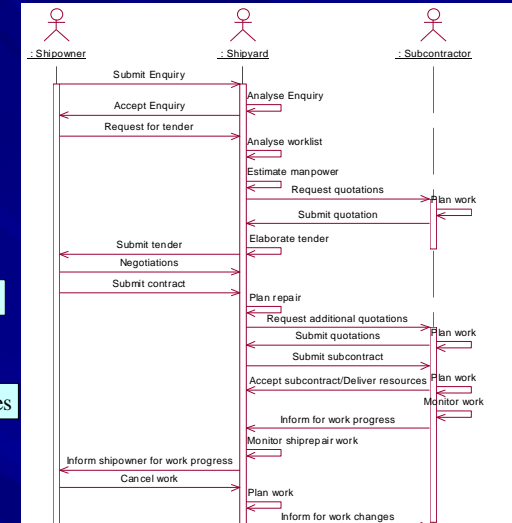
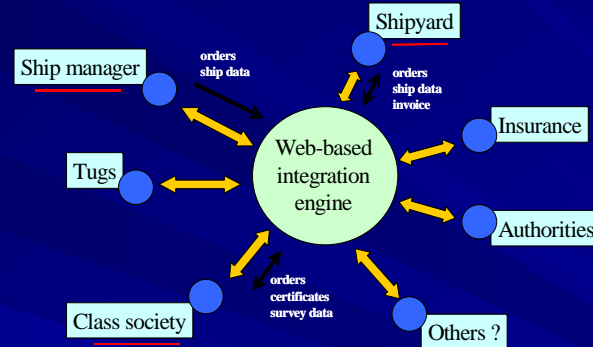
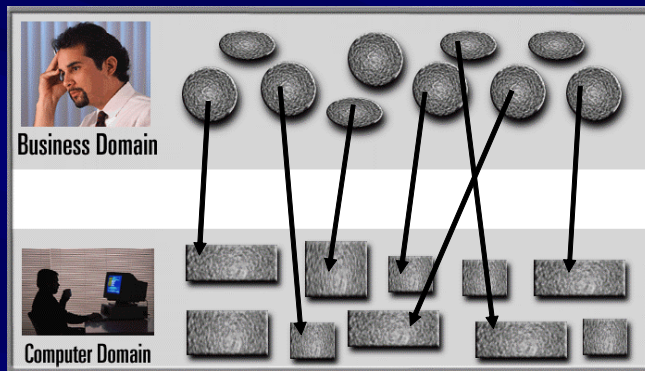


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# Visual modeling of business processes SHIPYARDS VIRTUAL ENTERPRISE

- Business rules modeling
- Companies collaboration



# OUTLOOK: Digital Manufacturing

## Definition:

- Digital manufacturing is **the ability to describe every aspect of the design-to-manufacture process digitally** — using tools that include digital design, CAD, Office documents, PLM systems, analysis software, simulation, CAM software and so on

## Major benefit:

- Data created in any department are reusable in a different department

## Interesting converging trends:

- Increased emphasis on innovation and successful, rapid, new product launches
- Shorter product lifecycles
- On-demand production driven by customer orders
- The need to accelerate time-to-value in line changeovers reducing costs



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**Data integration and availability** is the key to success - Integrated and consistent data management is required through all stages of Digital Manufacturing sequence which involves:

- Product development
- Process planning
- Factory layout
- Ergonomics
- Robotics and machining
- Quality control
- Factory simulation

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## Benefits:

- ✓ Shortened product development
- ✓ Early validation of manufacturing processes
- ✓ Faster production ramp up and faster time-to-market
- ✓ Reduced manufacturing costs and improved product quality
- ✓ Enhanced product knowledge dissemination
- ✓ Reduction of errors
- ✓ Increase flexibility

## Applications:

- Computer Aided Design (CAD) Systems
- Computer Aided Engineering (CAE) Systems
- Computer Aided Process Planning (CAPP) Systems
- Computer Aided Manufacturing (CAM) and NC Machining
- Virtual Reality Applications and Digital Human Simulation
- Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP)
- Discrete event simulation



# Thank you for your attention !!!

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